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Greta Franklin - Starexpress

Most of you will be aware that we lost one of our long standing members Greta Franklin on Easter Sunday after a long battle with cancer. She was a great supporter of our breed and very active right up until her death. I have collected a few photos recording some of the good times. The photograph on the right is one of my favourites. The surprise and delight is clear to see having won BOS at Crufts 2020 with her veteran Starexpress Italian Skies



MEMORIES OF GRETA FRANKLIN

Greta Franklin bought her first Bolognese from me over 15 years ago but I already knew her from her well known Starexpress Maltese, who were always presented to perfection. She had great success with Maltese making up champions and was well known for her smart presentation, both herself and her dogs.



She judged the breed at Crufts in 2015 when there were a number of overseas exhibitors and her BOB was from the Netherlands. She was due to judge Maltese at Crufts the month before she died but pulled out as she knew she would not be strong enough.

Like her dogs she was always well presented and was a person who was not afraid to voice her opinions but was always open to discussion.

Her cancer was something she fought hard and tried all the options open to her after long discussions with her oncologists.

The new drug she was trying and had great faith in alas, was not to be the answer after all and after being told it was not working, she came home to end of life care so she could be with Judd and her family. She died on Easter Sunday peacefully with her family around her.

Her funeral was held at her local church where there was a very good turnout of family, friends and neighbours including her many grandchildren. Her husband Judd told me that there were still 2 Bolognese at home and he had promised Greta they would always be his companions.

Our condolences to the family from all at the British Bolognese Club, she will be missed.

LIZ STANNARD



Special points of interest:

- GRETA—TRIBUTE
- LATEST NEWS
- DOTY SHIELD HALF WAY POINTS

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British Bolognese Club Celebrate King Charles 111 Coronation in style

A group of exhibitors got together at the National Championship show and celebrated this momentous day with cake, nibbles and bubbly



BBC Autumn Club show - Brian Rix

Our second breed club open show of the year will be held in conjunction with the City of Birmingham Canine Association Championship show

Entry is available online at Cavalier Impressions. For postal entries the schedule can be printed off. If anyone has any difficulty doing this please contact our Secretary, Adele Summers

The Judge is Brian Rix who last judged us at Boston in 2019

Don't forget this show earns the same points as a championship show for our annual shield

Welcome

In the last few years we have lost a few of our regular exhibitors so it is lovely to be able to welcome a new name to Bolognese. However they are certainly not a new name to the world of dog showing.

Ken and Richard Morgan-Stanley (Golbourne) welcomed a new boy Zander earlier this year so we are all looking forward to seeing him in the ring and wish them every success.

The half way stage - DOTY Shield

1.	Donocielo Michelangelo	24
2.	Kobanyai Pelyhes Odin with Devonia	17
2.	Enjanicka Evening Emerald	17
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At the halfway mark is very close with at least 24 more shows to go. So please get your entries in, especially open shows where Bolognese are known to regularly get group places.

Around the shows with Jane Towers

Open shows

There seems to be a flurry of open shows during this quarter. It is unusual for us to have classes at so many. On the whole they appear to have been well supported. These open shows really make a difference for the points for our DOTY Shield.

South Eastern Toy which was sponsored by BBC this year has classes for most toy dogs and many well known exhibitors attend so feels very much like a championship show. Our judge was Dr Ian Gabriel. The last time I came across him was when he judged the puppy group at Southern Counties in 2022.

His BOB was Enjanicka Evening Emerald and BP was Lykalotte Holly at Arkadian at her first show.

Chippenham and District Canine Society have been giving us classes for a couple of years and are always well supported. BOB was Kobanyai Pelyhes Odin with Devonia (Imp Hun) who went on to win a fabulous Group 2 place.

Edwinstowe and District Canine Society gave classes to Bolognese this year. Sadly it wasn't attended as well as some other shows but if it becomes a feature on the open show calendar that may change. The judge was Gaynor Morris who breeds, shows and gives CC's in Havanese. She found her BOB in Lykalotte Enzo Ferrari at Arkadian.



Hot day at the campsite

Llanelli & District Canine Society. This show may pass some of you by as the schedules are on Onlineshow entry rather than Fosse Data or Higham Press. Having said this Bolognese were represented and BOB went to Devonia's Odin.

Marlborough Canine Society This show is held at the same place as Chippenham and District Canine society so a bit of a challenging venue but I understand there are mats for the toys. The judge Marion Mynot found her BOB in Kobanyai Pelyhes Odin with Devonia (Imp Hun)

Redditch and District Canine Society. This is the only all rare breed show that I am aware of. All rare breeds have classes and their own group competition. This year they added an extra twist giving a Best Veteran Rare Breed. This meant a lot of the oldie Bolognese came out for the day. The judge was Julie Pyke.

Our breed Judge Kevin Holly who many of you may know with his Coton du Tulears was a first time judge for us. He gave BOB to Enjanicka Toscana Mio Caro and BP to Aemilias Elizabeth.

The Royal Cheshire County Show

This has to be one of the best open shows to visit. If you have never been, do make a date for your diary next year. Not only do you get to take part in the dog show but your dog entry fee gives you admittance the whole agricultural show. There is lots of shopping and many attractions. It's easily a full day out.

We were given classes this year and had 7 entries. Unfortunately there were two absen-

tees. Amy Lovell had been involved in a car accident the week before returning from an open show. Fortunately both she and her dogs escaped serious injury but Amy wasn't able to drive. We wish Amy a speedy recovery.

Our judge was Magdalena Skarulska which was a first time appointment. She found her BOB in Enjanicka Evening Emerald, RBB in Enjanicka Toscana Mio Caro and BP in Tumbril Toykorose, very kindly presenting them with lovely crate pads. Tumbril Tokyorose went onto be awarded Puppy Group 3 under Howard Ogden



Puppy group judge Howard Ogden

It is also a busy quarter for Championship shows with a few of our members taking advantage of the camping facilities and travelling from show to show. This is great fun and an opportunity to really immerse yourself in the show world and meet exhibitors from other breeds.

West of England Ladies Kennel Society

This is the first show many consider as the start of outdoor shows. The beautiful setting of Three Counties Show ground was the venue. However sadly it had been very wet so all judging was moved indoor for safety.

Our judge was Jeff Horswell. He is well known to Bolognese exhibitors having judged us on several occasions including Crufts in 2018. His last appointment was Paignton in 2020. He has a good understanding of the breed and always checks the finer points.

He had an entry of 14 although there were a couple of absentees.

His main winners were

BOB - Kobanyai Pelyhes Odin with Devonia (Imp Hun)

BOS - Enjanicka Evening Emerald

BP - Tumbril Tokyorose

The National Dog Show

Much excitement was in the air for this show as it coincided with the coronation of King Charles 111. The society invited exhibitors to hold bench parties to celebrate. The BBC took this opportunity and provided some lovely food, cakes and drinks and even the bubbly stuff for our members to enjoy and toast our new King. Thank you to all who participated and contributed with food and trimmings

It was a challenging show for exhibitors due to the judging order and proximity of benches to the ring. Our judge was Howard Ogden, a judge who is no stranger to Bolognese. He also judged us at Crufts in 2019 as well as his most recent appointment at WELKS in 2022. He found his:

- BOB - Donocio Michelangelo
- BOS - Enjanicka Evening Emerald
- BP- Tumbriil Tokyorose



Chairman Liz Stannard, Vice Chair Mark Burns and long standing committee member Christine Rushbrook toasting our new King

The Scottish Kennel Club

A few intrepid exhibitors made the long journey up to the Scottish Kennel Club show This was one of the first shows taking advantage of the relaxation of benching requirement. On Toy Day there was plenty of room for everyone and exhibitors were mindful of those around them. Our judge on this occasion was Mea Kendall. This was a first appointment for her; she said she had enjoyed judging our breed and would like to learn more. It is heartening to have a judge who is keen to learn about Bolognese and

build on her knowledge.

This is one of the few shows which gives us mixed classes. It can be a challenge for the stewards to make sure everything stays on track and we still get BOB, BOS etc. We were lucky to have a couple of experienced stewards who kept proceedings flowing.

The principal winners were

- BOB - Enjanicka Toscana Mio Caro
- BOS - Devonia's Anzio
- BP - Lykalotte Holly at Arkadian



BOB - Enjanicka Toscana Mio Caro

Bath Canine Society

We are lucky this year to have been given a selection of overseas judges. This being the first of five. As usual Bath show-ground was manicured to perfection and resplendent in the sunshine. They retained the benches which were next to the rings. It was quite a challenge with a long coated breed as it was extremely windy. The dogs took this in their stride and I don't think any were put off.

Our judge Dr Lemo (Croatia) was a first time judge for us and he judged very much in the European style. He was confident in what he liked and gave his final dogs a thorough going over to decide BOB and BOS.

His winners were

- BOB - Donocielo Michelangelo
- BOS - Enjanicka Evening Emerald
- BP - Tumbriil Toykorose

This was a particularly good show for the breed as Donocielo Michelangelo was shortlisted in the group by judge Nigel Marsh



BOB, BOS & BP at a very windy Bath

Southern Counties Canine Society

The second of our European judges and another windy show-ground. This show again took advantage of the relaxation of benching rules. I found we had plenty of room but it may have been a different story if the weather had been wet. We also had rare breeds classes judged by Delores Montgomery at this show and the society held off judging so all 7 Bolognese exhibitors could attend.

Our judge for the breed class was

Annouka Paloheimo Segersven (Finland). She judged us last at UK Toy in 2020. Again she judged in the typical European way and found her:

BOB - Enjanicka Toscana Mio Caro

BOS - Donocielo Michelangelo

BP - Tumbril Tokyorose



BOB, BOS BP with Judge Tim Ball

Three Counties Championship Dog Show

What a difference a couple of months makes. We returned to Three Counties Showground for this show in glorious sunshine. Our judge was Tim Ball who judged us at Windsor 2022 however any exhibitor who frequents open shows will find him a familiar face

Although a benched show I think all exhibitors found a space under the trees which kept both doggies and humans cool.

Our judge took his time with the dogs and found his:

BOB - Donocielo Michelangelo

BOS - Donocielo Seraphina

BP - Tumbril Tokyorose

Border Union Agricultural Show

The second of the Scottish shows. Unfortunately this year we were given mixed classes. Bizarrely we had an entry of 17. I think this may be highest entry we have ever had. Hopefully the committee won't think we prefer this!

Our judge was Jim Murdoch who many of you may know from his own breed Coton de Tulear. He last judged us at Boston Championship show in 2022. We were lucky we were able to show outside as it really shows off the beautiful coats of a Bolognese as they sparkle in the sunshine.

His principal winners were:

BOB - Donocielo Michelangelo

BOS - Donocielo Seraphina

BP - Tumbril Toykorose



Tumbril Toykorose went on to win Puppy Group 4 under Jonathan Daltry. It is very rare for a Bolognese to be awarded a group place at a Championship show. Fantastic for the breed to be seen and appreciated.

Blackpool & District Canine Society

A first time judging appointment at an all breed show in the UK for our Danish judge Charlotte Hoier. It is always interesting being judged by an overseas judge as they do things a little differently, Having said that she was very pleasant with the dogs and chatted to them in what I assume was Danish to settle them. The conditions were windy and there were a couple of baby puppies so this was very welcome.

The entry was a little lower than we have been getting in the last few months but still reasonable.

Her principal winners were:

BOB - Donocielo Michelangelo

BOS - Enjanicka Toscana Mio Caro

BP - Tumbriel Tokyrose



A riot of colour for summer

Windsor Championship Dog Show



The final show in this quarter. It rounds off a marathon of Championship and open shows with classes, 16 in total. Some stalwarts have made it to them all which I can assure you is no mean feat.

Windsor is always a well attended show and this year we had an entry of 23. Although some of the usual exhibitors weren't present the exhibitors who only do the southern shows made up for it. There were several new puppies on their first outing making a total number of 4 entered. This is very heartening for the breed.

Our judge Carl Sparrow last judged at the Autumn Club show in 2019. We didn't have to wait too long to get into the ring as Mr Sparrow was also judging the two classes before us and wasn't slow.

He found his principal winners in

BOB - Donocielo Michelangelo

BOS - Phendelle Eida Avril May

BP - Phendelle Pharaoh Othello at Lyckalotte

Donocielo Michelangelo went on to be shortlisted in the group under Mrs Godwin.

Is that elusive group place for our lovely breed beckoning?

Quiz Corner

Can you find the words which are all associated with Bolognese?

Bolognese

H	O	C	R	E	L	A	E	L	E	P	H	S	A
Q	L	F	A	E	W	L	P	L	A	Y	F	U	L
I	A	S	O	L	L	L	B	R	E	E	D	F	N
P	P	C	S	W	O	H	S	U	U	E	B	L	B
L	Y	E	P	T	T	C	L	E	V	E	R	O	D
P	U	P	P	I	E	S	N	H	L	A	U	C	U
N	A	I	L	A	T	I	N	R	A	N	T	K	E
O	A	Q	K	A	A	Q	E	L	U	P	E	E	F
B	E	A	C	S	N	E	V	A	U	R	P	D	Q
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SQUARE
WHITE
CLEVER
PUPPIES
BREED
SHOWS
HAPPY
BLACK
PLAYFUL
FLOCKED
ITALIAN
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Coming up in quarter 3

- ◆ Breeders—Who they are
- ◆ Doty Shield standings
- ◆ Show news
- ◆ Quiz corner
- ◆ 5 interesting Bolognese facts

If anyone wishes to contribute to the newsletter or has any interesting information or photos they wish to share please let us know. We would like to make it as interesting and inclusive as possible.

The British Bolognese Club was founded in 1994 and affiliated to the Kennel Club in 1996. It is the only official Bolognese club in the UK . We are a friendly group of people with a fond love for this adorable breed. We hold regular club shows and welcome new members with an interest in the Bolognese. We have a wealth of experience within our membership and they are always happy to advise anyone thinking about owning a Bolognese.

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