

2007 MAIN BREED EXHIBITON AND RESTRICTED TRIAL SIRES PROGENY CLASS

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The NBC Executive would like to thank all exhibitors for making their animals available for the Sires Progeny Class. The South Australian Club did change the time of the Sires Progeny Class until Saturday afternoon which gave both the Open Dog and Open Bitch Judges time to consider the observations seen from the various sires prior to commencing judging of the Open Classes on Sunday morning. There were seven groups presented to the panel, four groups were from sires previously awarded the Excellent Select grading and another two groups from sires awarded the Excellent Select grading at the 2007 MBE.

As mentioned previously the past five years has seen a dramatic increase in the number of dogs imported into Australia and it is evident that a larger number of sires are being utilised in our breeding programs compared to recent years. This factor as well as increasing costs of air fares, petrol etc means that breeders have a wider selection of stud dogs within their own State and therefore are less likely to travel interstate. While this could be seen as beneficial it is important that breeders give due consideration to locally breed males as well as imported animals and choose the most suitable sire for a breeding partner of a particular animal irrespective of where the animal lives. The most suitable sire can change within a kennel and each selection should be made on an individual basis. Compared to fifteen to twenty years ago the tide has swung away from selecting locally breed animals to using the most recently arrived import in the country. While this maybe beneficial in some cases, it is not necessarily the case in every instance.

The selection of a breeding partner plays an important part in any kennel's future success and there is a responsibility for breeders to consider the make up of the pedigree of the resultant progeny and the genetic makeup of both the sire and dam lines within that pedigree.

It was pleasing to see the improvement in the depth of quality in the males presented within the progeny groups. There has been a dramatic improvement in the depth of quality in the males, since the 2006 National Show and Trial some eighteen months ago which can only be seen as a positive for the breed.

However there are areas that breeders should consider when selecting a sire in their breeding program. Consideration should be given to the following areas:

- Length of underchest
- Strength of lower jaw
- Eye Colour

Prime consideration must be given to size. While there is no easy answer in regards to the correction of size, all of us have a responsibility to consider it within our breeding program.

The issue of size has been a problem for a number of years, but we need to remember that it is not a recent problem and is not the sole responsibility of recent sires. No-one can breed for just one area alone but we all have a responsibility not to breed with any animal that does not fall within the designated limitations of the GSDCA breed improvement schemes, if we wish to improve the overall quality of the German Shepherd Dog in Australia.

These schemes and their acceptance by breeders throughout the country are responsible for the improvement of the German Shepherd Dog since the lifting of the importation ban, both anatomically and soundness of character.

It should be noted that it is important that breeders do not make major conclusions regarding comments related to small groups as the comments are a general overview and an opportunity for the breeders to view early progeny from a young sire or newly imported animals.

The NBC Executive are aware of the importance of conveying information to the breeders of this country so informed decisions can be made in their future breeding programs and from the comments received from the breeders I believe that the way the Sires Progeny Class has developed over the past few years has been well received by the majority of breeders within our fraternity.

Thank you to the stud dog owners and exhibitors for their support and the NBC Executive takes this opportunity to wish you all the very best in your future breeding programs.

QUANTO WIENERAU BLOODLINE via Uran Wildsteigerland

* CH ASTASIA HEICO 'A' (4.3) 'Z' Normal (0:0)Hneg Sire: *Troy vd Noriswand "a" 'Z' Hneg Dam: *Astasia Xcess 'A' 'Z'



Linebreeding: 'V' Litter Kirschental/Eiko Kirschental (5,5-4)

Sire not present

1 male 5 females from 7 entered. All exhibited in the Intermediate or Open Classes.

Placing of progeny from Minor Puppy to Open Classes.

ID:3, IB:4 OB 2(Ex Select), 9,13,23

Hip Results as presented to June 2007. A total of 44 progeny from 28 different dams submitted, 52% 0-5, 32% 6-10, 9% 11-20. Mean average of 8.74

Elbow results as presented to June 2007 A total of 43 progeny from 28 different dams submitted 67.5% Normal, 32.5% Grade One.

Breed Survey Results until December 2006: Class 1 males 2 Class 1 females 15 Class 11 males 1 = 18 animals

Astasia Heico was awarded the Sieger title in 2006 at the Newcastle MBE by Mr Vince Tantaro. Since 2002 Astasia Heico has regularly presented a group at both National Shows and MBEs. This year has seen a number of females entered in the Open Class and a number of his daughters are entering the breeding program of kennels throughout Australia. The group as presented at the 2007 MBE was again a very high quality group of adult animals. This sire stands at stud in Queensland and it a testament to this sire that he has presented a group at the MBE in Adelaide. The NBC Executive believes that Astasia Heico has retired from the show ring and takes this opportunity to congratulate him and his owners on a very successful show career but more importantly note the contribution that this sire has had on the German Shepherd Dog in Australia. This sire has certainly left a legacy to the breed especially in his ability to produce a number of well constructed high quality bitches.

The group is sire typical, well above medium size to large, of medium strength and of very good type. High wither, firm back and well moulded croup which should be slightly longer. Very good proportions, very good length of foreleg and toplines. The upper arm ideally should be slightly longer and slightly better angled, good to very good hindquarter angulation. The group exhibits good colour, with very good pigmentation although ideally the gold colour could be a little more intense. The eye colour is a little mixed. The lower chest ideally should be longer. In some animals there is a tendency to step slightly narrow both front and rear but with very good firmness of hock joints, the elbows should be a little closer laying. During movement the group exhibits balanced ground cover with a willingness to run. As a son of the 2001 MBE Sieger Troy Noriswand and his mother Astasia Xcess a daughter of Excellent Select Alk Domenica, he has a very well constructed and valuable pedigree which has seen a cementing of type and overall construction with a very good degree of predictability. Above average hip and elbow results.

An excellent group and congratulations to the owners and breeders of this sire.

QUANTO WIENERAU BLOODLINE via QUANDO ARMINIUS

* SANNJESA CRUSTY DEMON "A' (1.1) 'Z' Normal (0/0) Sire: * Jasso v Bimsgrube "a" 'Z' Dam: *Kronika Arni 'A' 'Z'



Linebreeding: Jeck Noricum (4-4) Yago Wildsteigerland (5-5) 'Q" Litter Arminius Quando-Quina (5-5) Sire present and exhibited at the Show Excellent Select 1

4 males, 3 females from 8 entered ranging from the Minor Puppy to Intermediate Class.

Placing of Progeny from Minor Puppy to Open Class

MPD:6, JD: 1 ID:1,2 PB:2, JB: 4, IB: 3

Hip Results as presented to June 2007. A total of 12 progeny from 7 different dams submitted, 67% 0-5, 17% 6-10, 17% 11-20. Mean average of 5.42

Elbow results as presented to June 2007 A total of 12 progeny from 7 different dams submitted 75% Normal, 0% Grade One.

This is the second time a group from this sire has been presented at a National Show or Main Breed Exhibition. The oldest progeny was exhibited in the Intermediate Class. At the 2006 MBE the sire was placed Excellent Select 4 and this year was awarded Excellent Select 1 and the Sieger title. His father Jasso Bimsgrube is a son of Scott Deodatus a well known and very good producer in Germany and his mother carries Iwan Lechtal (Sieger 1998 MBE) and Bedwins Siegaro (Excellent Select 1996 MBE). Scott Deodatus is the grandfather via the sire line in both Sanjessa Crusty Demon and Gigolo Elzmundungsraum.

It is with pleasure that we have seen the further development of these animals since the National Show and Trial held in Sydney in April 2007. Whilst this group was slightly smaller than expected, of particular note for this sire is the very high quality of his sons.

The group is above medium size to large, medium strong with very good length to height proportions. The animals are well coloured and well pigmented, of very good type and overall construction. Good wither, firm backs with well moulded croups. Very good fore and hindquarter angulation. View from front is correct. Show correct sequence of steps where both the hock joints and the elbows could still be slightly firmer. Slightly short lowerchest. In movement display very good ground covering gait with good overall firmness and show much enthusiasm and joy in running. Good heads with very good definition of the sexes, the eye colour is a little mixed, the ears are slightly large and in some cases the placement is not absolutely ideal. Care needs to be exercised in regards to ear placement when considering this sire. The progeny shown over the weekend were sire typical, of very good character, of very good construction, very good uniformity and type. Contrary to a number of sires, his progeny relative to size stand well within the standard.

Very good hip and elbow results to date. It is expected that a number of his progeny will be presented to the GSDCA National Breed Survey Scheme in the coming year.

As the 2007 Sieger, this sire has much to offer which was evident in the progeny presented at the MBE. The NBC Executive will watch with interest the future development of the progeny during 2008.

An excellent group worthy of the 2007 Sieger title and congratulations to the owner and breeder of this sire.

QUANTO WIENRAU BLOODLINE via QUANDO ARMINIUS

*CH GIGOLO v ELZMUNDUNGSRAUM 'a' normal ED Normal Germany Hneg Sire: *Wallace aus Agrigento 'a' - Dam: *Xantia v Elzmundungsraum 'a'



Linebreeding: Mark Haus Beck (4-5,5) Fedor Arminius (5-5)

Released from Quarantine September 2005

Sire: Present and exhibited at the Show Excellent Select 2.

9 males, 5 females from 22 entered. Ranging from Minor Puppy to Intermediate Class

Placing of Progeny from Minor Puppy to Open Class

MPD:1,9,10 PD:1,2 JD 2 ID 4,5 MPB:13,14 PB: 7,11 JB: 3,8,14 IB 7,9

Hip Results as presented to June 2007. A total of 17 progeny from 13 different dams submitted, 53% 0-5, 35% 6-10, 6% 11-20. Mean average of 5.00

Elbow results as presented to June 2007 A total of 18 progeny from 14 different dams submitted 83.5% Normal, 11.00% Grade One.

This is the second time a group from this sire has been presented at a National Show or Main Breed Exhibition. The oldest progeny was exhibited in the Intermediate Class. A son of Wallace Agrigento, a well known and very good producer in Germany and his mother Xantia Elzmundungsraum (Vice Siegerin Germany in 2002). A well constructed pedigree of very good animals. Scott Deodatus is the grandfather via the sire line in both Sanjessa Crusty Demon and Gigolo Elzmundungsraum.

As the MBE was held in Adelaide it was expected that this sire would present a large group. The majority of the animals stand on the upper limit of size, are medium strong, well coloured, well pigmented and of slightly elongated proportions. Very good length of foreleg. Good to high withers, firm backs, with long but slightly steep croups. The upper arm is of very good length however ideally should be slightly better angled, very good hindquarter angulation Very good eye colour, ear carriage and dark masking. View from front correct. Good length of lowerchest. Display correct sequence of steps with very good firmness of both the hock joints and elbows. During movement shows very good ground covering gait with very good overall firmness and show much enthusiasm and joy in running. Good heads however some care to be exercised in regards to strength of foreface and strength of lower jaw.

The NBC Executive was pleased to witness the further development of the group especially in the ratio of males to females and will watch with interest as the progeny enter the Open classes. Very good hip and elbow results. It is expected that a number of his progeny will be presented to the GSDCA National Breed Survey Scheme in the coming year.

The group is very typical of their breeding however care needs to be exercised in regards to size when considering this sire as a suitable breeding partner.

A very good group and congratulations to the owner and breeder of this sire.

QUANTO WIENERAU BLOODLINE via QUANDO ARMINIUS

*CH. ORPHEUS vd KRAUTERWIESE 'a' normal ED Normal Germany H neg Sire: * Vantor v Batu 'a' -Dam * Isi vd Krauterwiese 'a'



Linebreeding: Amigo Belgier (4-3) Mark Haus Beck (5-4) Cello Romerau (5-5,5) Fedor Noriswand (5-4) "O" litter Batu Ona-Ossa (5-4)

Released from quarantine April 2005

2 males, 6 females. From 8 entered ranging from the Minor Puppy Class through to the Open Class.

Sire present and exhibited at the Show Excellent Select 3

Placing of progeny from Minor Puppy to Open Class

ID:6,9 MPB: 2,3,10 PB: 10 IB 10 OB 21

Hip Results as presented to June 2007. A total of 19 progeny from 11 different dams submitted, 90% 0-5, 10% 6-10, 0% 11-20. Mean average of 2.63

Elbow results as presented to June 2007 A total of 19 progeny from 11 different dams submitted 89% Normal, 11.0% Grade One.

This is the third time this sire has presented a group to the MBE or National Show and Trial. For the majority of his stud career, he has stood at stud in Western Australia and has been able to present a group at the past two MBEs in Newcastle and Adelaide and at the National Show and Trial in Sydney.

The majority of the animals stand on the upper limit of size, are strong, substantial, of very good proportions and of very good type. Very good length of foreleg. Normal wither, firm back, slight restrictions in the length and lay of the croup. The upper should be longer and better angled, very good hindquarter angulation. View from front correct. Slightly soft pasterns with slightly open feet. Very good definition of the sexes, very good heads, very good eye colour and ear carriage. Correct sequence of steps with good firmness of hock joints and elbows. Very good masking. In some of the animals the gold colour could be slightly more intense. During movement shows very good ground covering gait with strong hindquarter drive and free forehand reach.

The NBC Executive is pleased to see the further development of this group as the animals enter the Open Classes. Particular noteworthy is very good character of the sire which is reflected in his progeny with their self assured, outgoing nature. Excellent hip and elbow results. Care needs to be exercised in regards to size and length of lowerchest when considering this sire as a suitable breeding partner.

A very good group and congratulations to the owner and breeder of this sire

QUANTO WIENERAU BLOODLINE via QUANDO ARMINIUS

*CAYOS v NORISWAND 'a' normal ED Normal (Gmy)
Sire: *Janos v Noriswand 'a' ED(Gmy) - Dam: *Babette v Noriswand 'a'



Linebreeding: Jeck Noricum (5-5,5) Marit Wildsteiger Land (5-4)

Released from quarantine September 2006

Sire not present

2males 6 females from 13 entered ranging from the Minor Puppy and Puppy Class

Placing of Progeny from Minor Puppy to Open Class

MPD:5,7,8,11 MPB:1,6,15 PB:1,6,9,12.

No hip or elbow or breed survey statistics available due to insufficient numbers at this time.

This is the first time this sire has presented a group at either a MBE or National. The sire was released from quarantine in September 2006 and has been utilised by a number of breeders in their breeding program. His father Janos Noriswand is a son of Yasko Farbenspiel (Sieger Germany 2001 and 2002) and his mother carries Jello Michelstadter Rathaus (Excellent Select Germany 1998 and 1999)

A very young group of very good type and harmonious construction. Well above medium size to large, strongly boned, and of very good proportions. In some animals the view front is not ideal. Good withers, firm back and well moulded croups. Good to very good forequarter angulation, very good to slightly deep hindquarter angulation. Slightly mixed eye colour.

The NBC Executive look forward in seeing this sire exhibited during the coming year and will watch with interest the further development of this group. It is hoped that the progeny fulfill the early promise shown as they reach their final development.

A very good group and congratulations to the owner and breeder of this sire.

QUANTO WIENERAU BLOODLINE via QUANDO ARMINIUS

KWINT v JUERIKSTALL 'a' normal' ED Normal (Gmy) Hneg Sire Levis di Fossombrone 'a' (Itl) ED(Gmy) Dam* Perry v Arjakjo 'a'



Linebreeding: 'J' Litter Wienerau –Joschy-Jello (4,5-5) Cello Romerau (5-5) "F' Litter Hirschel Fanto-Frei (5-5)

3 males 7 females from 11 entered all from Minor and Puppy Classes.

Released from quarantine August 2006

Sire present and exhibited at show Excellent Select 4

Placing of progeny from Minor Puppy to Open Class

MPD: 3 PD: 3 4 MPB: 5,7,11,12 PB: 4,5,7

No hip or elbow or breed survey statistics available due to insufficient numbers at this time.

This is the first time this sire has presented a group at either a MBE or National Show and Trial The sire was released from quarantine in August 2006 and has been utilised by a number of breeders in their breeding program. He is a son of Levis Fossombrone and his mother is Perry Arjakjo.

A very young group that is sire typical, of very good type and very good overall construction. Very good colour and pigmentation and very good proportions. Stand correct in front. Good forequarter angulation and very good hindquarter angulation. Very good ear carriage. Slightly mixed eye colour.

It should be noted that this sire is of the desired size and should be considered in the breeding program for those bitches which require correction in this area.

The NBC Executive will watch with interest the further development of this group. It is hoped that the progeny fulfilled the early promise shown as they reach their final development.

A very good group and congratulations to the owner and breeder of this sire.

CANTO WIENERAU BLOODLINE via FEDOR ARMINIUS

*ANDACHT DON PEDRO 'A'(4.2)'Z' Normal (0/0) Hneg
Sire: * Andacht Shakespeare 'A' 'Z' - Dam: *Turnberry Super Impose 'A' 'Z'



Linebreeding: Turnberry Nicolette (3-3)

2males 3 females from 7 entered ranging from the Minor Puppy to Intermediate Class

Sire Present and exhibited at the show Excellent Select 9.

Placing of Progeny from Minor Puppy to Open Class

ID: 7,10 MPB:10,16 JB 6,12 IB 5

No hip or elbow statistics available due to insufficient numbers as of June 2007.

Breed Survey Results until December 2006

Class 1 male 1, Class 1 females 2, Class 11 males 0, Class 11 females 0 = 3 animals

Andacht Don Pedro has been awarded the Excellent Select grading in 2005, 2006 and 2007. The group is smaller in number than previously presented.

The group is above medium size to large with strong bones, but is slightly mixed in overall uniformity. Very good length of foreleg. Very good colour and pigmentation. Level wither, firm back slight restriction in the length and lay of the croup and length of the lay of the upper arm. Very good hindquarter angulation. Stands correct in front. Show good sequence of steps with good firmness of hock joints and elbows. Very good definition between the sexes. Short underchest. In some cases the lower jaw should be more developed. During movement shows good ground cover however both the forehand reach and hindquarter should be more expansive and there is a tendency to fall on the forehand. Care needs to be exercised in the area of the length of lower chest, and croup when considering this sire as a suitable breeding partner.

A good group and congratulations to the owners and breeders of this sire.

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