



My name is Craig Rice and I am from Leeds, England.



I was introduced to the breed and showing of German Shepherds by my parents. Having grown up with them, the family began showing when I was a teenager. I quickly caught the showing bug and became a part of the showing

and breeding decisions whilst still very young. I first handled our own dogs and then some of the more recognised kennels at the dog club took me under their wing and helped me. Giving me good dogs to handle at a young age gave me a huge confidence boost. I was 18 years old when I handled my first National class winner in the UK, the quality of the dogs I was asked to handle then started to improve quickly.



Within a couple of years I was becoming more established as a handler, being asked to handle for some of the top kennels in the UK. This has continued and I have now had the pleasure to handle for all that I would consider the top kennels in the UK. To date I have helped nearly 30 dogs achieve the title of Champion in the UK.

After becoming involved in our first import, Philipp aus der Neuen Hauffstraße, I quickly became more interested in the SV side of showing and handling and have had the pleasure to handle at the German Sieger show every year for at least the past 10 years.

Along the way gaining some fantastic placing in the young classes. These include SG5, SG6, SG11(x2), SG21, SG29 and most recently SG22 with our own dog, owned in partnership with our good friends Heather MacDonald and David Greer, Conbhairn Juri. At the British Sieger Show I have handled dogs to the title of Sieger and Siegerin as well as numerous VA titles and class winners.

I have also had the pleasure to handle in the following countries; Belgium, Holland, Barbados, China (VA) and obviously Australia, where I've handled the Gold Medal winning female last year. Since attending the Australian National I have handled 1 Gold Medal winner, 1 Silver Medal Winner, 1 Challenge winner, 2 Reserve Challenge winners and 6 class winners, all in 3 years!



The highlight of my handling career has to be handling Ballack von der Brucknerallee, first to SG5 in the 12-18 class, and then to VA the following year at the German Sieger show, something I never thought I would get the chance to do.