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From the editor.....

Hello to all Min Pinners, firstly I will introduce myself my name is Chris Briggs and I will be editing this edition of 'pencil marks'.
It has been an exciting year this year with my first litter of Min Pins and a delight they were too.
I missed most of the summer shows to stay home and look after the pups but was kept up to speed by fellow Min Pinners.
It seems we have quite a few new champions this year and I think congratulations are due to Janet Smith-Wilson and Jenny Spence each with their first homebred champions.
Also congratulations to Aileen Coull and Wendi Eyles , Neil buffery, Sue and Mandy Burns and Bill Black and the late Vera Black all with new champions.
So with this in mind may I wish you all a Merry Christmas and a very successful New Year.

.....Chris

NELLEESH THE DUKE WITH LAYJAY J.W. 2RCC'S

MANY THANKS TO ALL THE JUDGES WHO HAVE THOUGHT SO HIGHLY OF 'TOBY' IN HIS FIRST YEAR OF SHOWING.

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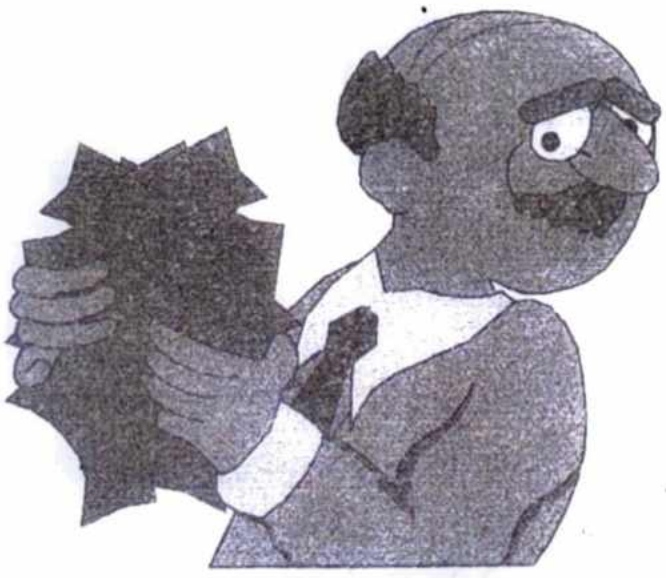

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!!

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FROM ALL YOUR
MIN PIN
FRIENDS.
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Patella Luxation in the Miniature Pinscher

By Gareth Cross BVSc MRCVS

The idea of this article is to give an overview of this disease in general, and a little about the disease in relation to 'Min Pins'. Firstly some definitions. The patella is the kneecap, which is a bone that lies within the tendon of the quadriceps (thigh) muscle. Luxation is a medical term meaning, more or less, dislocation. The patella normally lies in a groove at the end of the femur (thigh bone). A luxation occurs when the patella comes out of this groove. In most small dogs such as the Min Pin the patella luxates medially, i.e. dislocates towards the inside, not the outside of the leg. Diagnosis is usually made by a vet palpating the leg and feeling for the kneecap popping out of its normal position. You may hear people talk about grades of luxation.

Grades.

Grade 1: Patella can be luxated manually, but is normally in correct position.
Grade 2: Happens spontaneously at walk, intermittent lameness. However is usually in correct position
Grade 3: Patella usually luxated but can be replaced manually. This is often associated with other bony deformities, e.g. curved tibia (shin bone) (However my personal opinion is that Min Pins are less likely to suffer from these other problems due to the slender nature of their build)
Grade 4: Severe painful permanent luxation, needs early correction. This is quite uncommon

Like most grading systems in medicine and surgery these are not clear cut divisions and grading is therefore quite subjective. Cruciate ligament rupture can also be seen in association with patella luxation. It can cause a dog with, for example, mild grade 2 lameness to suddenly go lame when the ligament ruptures, or can happen after corrective surgery for the patella luxation and lead to an apparent deterioration post surgery.

Treatment:

For dogs that are lame or in pain from this condition the usual way to treat it is to surgically deepen the groove the patella sits in. The cruciate ligament may need to be repaired as well, and occasionally other bony deformities (as mention above may) need to be corrected. After the op we

usually put a heavy dressing on the leg for a few days then restrict to lead exercise only for 4-6 weeks. It is important to not completely rest the dog during this time as the joint needs to remodel. After the stitches have been taken out (usually 10 days post op) hydrotherapy can be helpful, and occasionally physiotherapy is used as well.

Controlling the problem:

There is evidence to show that Min Pins are predisposed to this problem (e.g. J Am Hosp Ass 2002;38: 467-477). In this study Min Pins were over ten times more at risk from patella luxation than a control group of crossbreed dogs. They were also more at risk than Yorkshire terriers, and Toy Poodles: breeds as vets we often associate with patella problems, but at less risk than Pomeranians or Silky Terriers. Although the exact genetics have not been worked out for this condition in Min Pins, or in any other breed as far as I can find out, there is evidence that use of screening programmes, and following from that selective breeding, will gradually reduce the prevalence of patella luxation in this breed. So it would seem sensible, as a whole breed, to decide not breed from affected dogs. However, how you define 'affected' and where you set the limits for breeding acceptability, is something that needs further study and debate. This needs to take place in the breed society as well as in the veterinary world. Developmental diseases like this unfortunately are quite common in breeds, so don't be too disheartened. To put it in context: the study mentioned above contained a large table of many different breeds and their predispositions to various diseases, when it came through on the fax it was over 5 feet long and the Min Pins took up just two lines!

PENWARTHA KENNELS PRESENTS

CH TUBIZE DEL BOY
MIN PIN CH SHOW 2004..... 1ST VETERAN DOG

CH TUBIZE TOMMY TROT

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DAM: CH TUBIZE TURBO TIGRA

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PENWARTHA KENNELS PRESENTS

CH HAWKSFLIGHT LILY THE PINK

AND NEW KID ON THE BLOCK "OLIVER TWIST"

WE WOULD LIKE TO WISH ALL OUR FRIENDS

A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS

AND A HAPPY AND SUCCESFUL NEW YEAR

PAT AND BEN
THE CORNISH TEAM

CH JAYCROFT CLASSIC DESIGN

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	ALCUM SIZZLING SUE	ARDENOAK BRIGADOON OF TRUEGUARD
		PERRYS VISUAL IMAGE

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'RAVEN' (KILMUIR IL CUCULO AT JAYCROFT) IS ALSO OFFERED AT LIMITED STUD TO APPROVED BITCHES.

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MERRY CHRISTMAS
&
BEST WISHES FOR 2005
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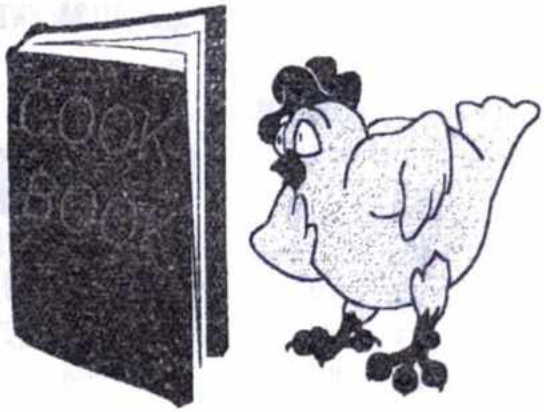
Christmas Fruitcake Recipe

It's important that you follow this recipe exactly!!

1 cup water
1 cup sugar
4 large eggs
2 cups dried fruit
1 teaspoon baking soda
1 teaspoon salt
1 cup brown sugar
1/2 cut lemon juice
2 cups nuts
1 gallon whiskey

Sample the whiskey to check for quality. Take a large bowl.
Check the whiskey again to be sure it is of the highest quality.
Pour one level cup and drink.
Repeat.
Turn on the electric mixer.
Beat 1 cup butter in a large, fluffy bowl.
Add 1 teaspoon sugar and beat again.
Make sure the whiskey is still OK.
Cry another tup.
Turn off mixer.
Break 2 legs and add to the bowl and chuck in the cup of dried fruit.
Mix on the turner.
If the fried druit gets stuck in the beaterers, pry it loose with a drewscriver.
Sample the whiskey to check for tonsisticity. Next, sift 2 cups of salt.
Or something.
Who cares?
Check the whiskey.
Now sift the lemon juice and strain your nuts.
Add one table.spoon.
Of sugar or something.
Whatever you can find.
Grease the oven.
Turn the cake tin to 350 degrees.
Don't forget to beat off the turner.
Throw the bowl out of the window.
Check the whiskey again.
Go to bed.
Who the hell likes fruitcake anyway?



CH HILLSPAN LONE RANGER
(TODD)
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5 B.O.B
JOINT TOP PUPPY 2002

ALCUM SHADY LADY AT HILLSPAN
(BECKY)
TOP PUPPY 2003
2 RES CC

JANET SMITH-WILSON
WOULD LIKE TO THANK EVERYBODY FOR ALL THE CONGRATULATION CARDS AND GOOD WISHES FOR THE FANTASTIC YEAR I HAVE HAD WITH MY MIN PINS.

MERRY CHRISTMAS
AND
HAPPY NEW YEAR
TO
EVERYONE

GROOMING YOUR MIN PIN.

As a qualified dog groomer I thought it might be an idea to take you through the routine I do with my dogs.
Firstly I must say that a shiny healthy coat mainly comes from a premium nutritionally balanced complete food but bathing and grooming does help to keep the coat in peak condition.
You will need, a rubber brush, fairy household green soap, Johnsons baby soft wash, black coat shampoo, a towel and a pair of curved scissors.

- Step 1 groom through the coat with a rubber brush making sure to remove all the dead hair.

- Step 2 start the shower up make sure the water is tepid so as not to burn the dog then go through the dogs coat with the green soap avoiding the eyes and ears then rinse thoroughly.

- Step 3 massage a few squirts of the baby soft wash into the coat and rinse

- Step 4 use the black coat shampoo or red coat shampoo depending on the colour of your dog and rinse

- Step 5 towel dry your dog I recommend that you don't use a hair dryer I tried it once never again !!!!!!!!!!

- Step 6 when your dog is dry trim his whiskers, brush through his coat with a pure boar bristle brush then polish his coat with a chamois leather or a piece of silk.

I cannot guarantee that this method will suit every dog but it has been used in my salon every day for the last three years with no adverse reactions but if your dog has a tendency toward allergies or bad reactions to different detergents then do not use this method.

POPPYWOOD

GREETINGS TO ALL MIN PINNERS,
A HAPPY CHRISTMAS AND A PROSPEROUS
2005

I DO HOPE THAT I MANAGED TO GET TO LKA AND HAD THE FINAL PLEASURE OF GOING OVER ALL YOUR LOVELY DOGS, AT THE TIME OF WRITING THIS I AM AFRAID THERE IS DOUBTAS TO WHETHER I SHALL MAKE IT, BUT IF HUMANLY POSSIBLE I SHALL BE THERE.
I AM DOWN TO TWO MIN PINS NOW BAMBI AND PERRY, BAMBI WILL.BE 15 AT THE END OF JANUARY AND STILL CAN JUMP, PERRY SHOULD HAVE DIED AT 3 ½ BUT IS STILL GOIND STRONG AT 10.
SO ALL MY CAVALIERS PLUS TWO MIN PINS WISH YOU WELL AND I DO HOPE TO SEE YOU ALL AT LKA.

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Paignton	Jill Peak
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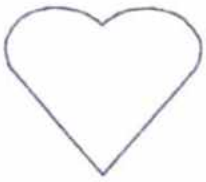

"IN GODS ARMS I KNOW YOU SLEEP
WHILST WE AT HOME STILL SIT AND WEEP"

GOOD NIGHT
GOD BLESS

LOVE MUM & DAD

THE STORY OF CH HILLSPAN LONE RANGER

On the 26th October 2001, Todd was born, the only survivor of a litter of four, hence his name. He was tiny and his mum had no milk, so I had to hand rea him myself. It wasn't easy, as I was ill at the time and my doctor wanted me go into hospital. I refused because of Todd, so, being a dog lover herself, sh thoughtfully visited me daily as I fed him 2 hourly day and night.
He used to curl up to a small toy gorilla, which he still has to this day, and a small piece of vet bed, which he used to suck, and still does (see the pictur It was worth the effort as he grew stronger day by day. By 6 weeks, he was plump puppy.
I always said I wouldn't keep a male, but he was very hard to resist. I could see he was promising and my friend Carol (who showed Griffons), who unfortunately died earlier this year and never saw his success, told me I was mad to let him go, so I decided to keep him, bitches coming in season or nc As a young puppy he didn't change very much. I took him to training, but h was a bit of a hooligan. I thought I would never train him. Things eventually came together and he made his debut at Welks 2002 at six months under Thelma Rees, and got Best Puppy. He won numerous puppy awards and wa joint top puppy 2002. He won 4 RCC up till March this year, and then at UK T under Aileen Coull he won his first CC. His second CC and BOB at Blackpoo under Terry Thorn. He got his crown at Windsor under Mrs D Horan (I was ecstatic). Since then he has won 4 more CC and 4 more BOB (up to 2nd October 2004). He has been short listed in the groups and BEST IN SHOW at t Min Pin club show. A dream come true.
I look forward to the 2005 show season with him.

Janet Smith-Wilson (His proud mum!)

WE WOULD LIKE TO PAY A BIG THANKS TO JENNY AND PAUL SPENCE FOR LETTING US HAVE OUR TWO BOYS

THANKS TO CHRIS AND MARK FOR THEIR SUPPORT

AND THANKS TO ALL THE JUDGES THAT THOUGHT SO HIGHLY OF OUR LADS

BOBBY

PAT POWERS – 1ST JD CRUFTS
AILEEN COULL – 1ST JD UK TOY
MRS VAN BREMPT – 1ST PGD, RCC BELFAST.

BENJI

MANDY BURNS – 1ST MPD.

MERRY CHRISTMAS TO EVERYONE

FROM SUE AND DAVE FORD AND OUR TWO LITTLE BOYS BOBBY AND BENJI

MEET THE MIN PINNNER.
BY AILEEN COULL (VARDENAIS)

Q1. What first attracted you to the breed?
I had always had big dogs- working sheepdogs and GSD that I did obedience with and never really wanted a small dog. I met my first Min Pin when I was on the road as a rep for a dog food company. One of my customers had a pet shop and she also bred Min Pins. When she asked me if I would like one , I didn't even know what they were. She took me to her house to meet them. My first thought was "no- I don't like little dogs" but after watching them playing in the garden, I was hooked. I loved their agility and speed and those lovely clean cut lines. The character appealed a lot as well- a true big dog in a little body. Mouse came home with me that night, no good for showing, she had a floppy ear and a slipping patella but I didn't care- I didn't want to show (so I thought) Within a month, I had two more Min pins, a puppy from Denise Hill (Dengar) and an older dog from Karina Le Mare (Helmlake) and was entering shows and going to ringcraft classes. The older dog taught me all he knew about showing and Mouse, well,.
she came to work with me, slept in the bed with me, walked for miles off the lead and was the boss of everyone (including the dobes) right up until she died three years ago.

Q2. Which dog (not owned or bred by you) have you most admired and why?
Nasty question this because there have been a few that I have admired over the years. I'll stick to the ones that I have actually seen in the flesh. Three immediately spring to mind and funnily enough, they are all bitches.
The first still in the ring at moment- CH Hawksflight in the Pink at Impala bred by Nickie Mackie and Pete Kelland and owned by Sue Burns. I love this red bitch's attitude to life- I've never seen her have a bad day and although she is a handful to show, when she pulls out the stops, she is stunning. I love her shape standing and on the move, her topline and tail set are fabulous and she oozes breed type. I loved her so much I wanted one just like her so I used CH impala angel of the south and got Vardenias Moon Glow- I think she is as close as I'll get to In the Pink.
CH Tubize Turbo Tigra. Bred and owned by Donald and Heather Smith, this b/t bitch is fabulous for size and type. She has tiny little ears and a head and under jaw to die for. Combine this with a true hackney action and she was certainly a bitch that demanded attention. She wasn't really the ultimate show girl because she could have days when she wouldn't play the game but she was lovely to look at.
My all time favourite of all has to be CH Torilea Talk of the Town at Telidor. I

loved her from the first day I met her- she was hanging over the back of Thelma's shoulder waiting to go in the ring for the minor puppy bitch class, no one was allowed to walk past her without saying hello. Muvvy was a real character, personality plus the ultimate show girl. Bred by Pat Power and owned by Thelma Rees, this b/t was a wonderful size, perfectly marked with the tiniest little cat feet. She moved like a little hackney pony and could really cover the ground. I had the honour of handling her in a couple of veteran classes at Min Pin club shows and she could still out move most of the youngsters even then. I was devastated for Thelma when Muvvy died very suddenly.

Q3. Which dog (owned or bred by you) have you most admired and why?
Another nasty question- I admire all my dogs after all they have to live with me!!!!
Its wrong to have favourites, but sometimes one or two just creep in to a special place in your heart.
Vardenais Blue Moon (Enya) was one of those from an accidental mating (these Min Pins can through anything!) she was one of six puppies born to Golden Wonder of Blandora and Avalon Little Fox of Helmlake. She had the most gorgeous head, ears a little big perhaps, was good for size and had tiny little feet. She was a real showgirl and could go round the ring by herself if she had to. She never did a thing wrong, either at home or in the ring, she was little Miss Perfect and a joy to live with. She had two tickets and quite a few reserve tickets, but to me she was a champion. I was heartbroken when she died very suddenly with Haemolytic anaemia.
CH Vardenais Cresent Moon. Simon is another favourite - a true gentleman and show off. His outstanding showmanship made him a joy to show, he never let me down. At home He is a cuddle bunny. He will stand with his back feet on my lap, and front paw on each of my shoulders, and lay his head against my face. He rarely barks, never picks fights, comes when he is called and doesn't wee up chair legs.
To me, the best I have ever bred (so far) is Vardenais Moon Glow JW. This little red monster is what I have been trying for years to breed. Alix is a lovely size, short and cobby and oozes breed type. I remember years ago sitting with Sheila Robbins (Shumah) at the ringside. She had two dogs on her lap and I couldn't take my eyes off their heads. I wanted Min Pins with heads like that. I have finally got a Min Pin with that classic Min Pin head-strong under jaw, neat ears sitting where they should, level skull between the ears but so very feminine with it. I love it! Her character is what really gets to me though - independent redhead! She is frightened of no one and nothing and yes, ok, she is a spoilt brat. She loves showing off and the bigger the crowd,

the more she plays me up.

Q5. What piece of advice would you give a new comer to the breed?

Watch, listen and learn. You will never learn anything about the breed if you leave after your class has been judged (in a huff or otherwise)- watch how different people handle dogs, which dogs catch your eye. Listen to lots of opinions- not just the person who has just come last or the one that has just won. Be honest with yourself. Everyone loves their dogs (we hope) but they cannot all be winners. Learn to be your own biggest critic and then you can build there, don't be kennel blind. If the stud dog you want to use is owned by the person you dislike the most, or a litter of puppies is bred by the person that keeps beating you, swallow your pride- don't settle for second best. When you do breed a litter, don't keep something just because you feel you have to. Get someone else's (honest) opinion, if there really isn't anything in there good enough for showing /breeding on from, then find the puppies lovely homes where they will be appreciated for what they are- wonderful fun little characters. Then go out there and try again.

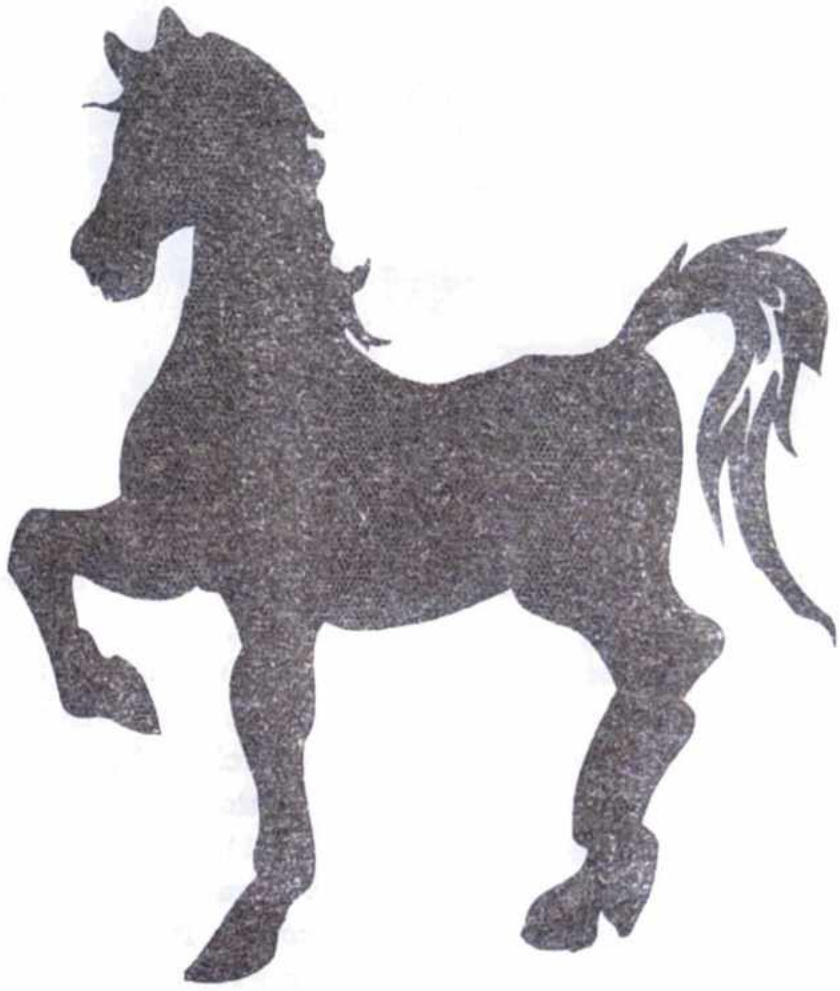

PHOTO BY AJAY
VARDENAIS MOON GLOW JW

Q4. What are your hopes and fears for the future of the breed?

I think that we should not lose sight of the fact that although the Min Pin is a toy breed, it was bred to kill vermin. It needs to have a decent under jaw to catch and dispatch prey, enough substance to be able to hold onto a rat and the boldness and the fearlessness to go out there and look for the rats in the first place. There has been a lot of discussion over the last couple of years about colour. Personally, I don't care what colour a Min Pin is as long as it's a good one- concentrate on getting the type, soundness and temperament right then worry what colour it is.

POLMADANN

WISH ALL MIN PINNERS
A
MERRY CHRISTMAS
AND
A HAPPY
AND
SUCCESSFUL
NEW YEAR

FROM
MARY, LEXEY, JOSEF, LONA
AND NEW BABY MYSTI.

M. POLLARD
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MEET THE MIN PINNER.

BY BRENDA CODY (LAYJAY)

Q1. What first attracted you to the breed?.

After being in Dobermanns for many years, I found I could no longer handle the Dobes and the Miniature Pinscher was the nearest breed. It had spark and charisma similar to the Dobe.

Q2. Which dog (not owned or bred by you) have you most admired and why?

"CH TORILEA TALK OF THE TOWN AT TELIDOR" owned by Thelma Rees. A lovely black and tan bitch showing all the refinements of the breed standard.

Q3. Which dog (owned or bred by you) have you most admired and why?

"CH SOUSKA LAST POST AT LAYJAY" a stunning red dog bred by Ian Blackshaw, by "LAYJAY LIBERTY" (who died in october 2004, aged 151/2 years), out of "RUBIO COCKNEY QUEEN". He is now 13yrs old and still quite fit. In his day, he gave 110% effort at all times in the show ring. His temperament is superb and he is very much to the breed standard.

Q4. What are your hopes and fears for the future of the breed?

I am not a breeder, but I do own stud dogs, my stud dogs go to approved bitches, who hopefully conform to the breed standard. I would wish that breeders would take more care to check the bloodlines of proposed mating's in order that some of the hereditary faults, which are slowly creeping back into the current stock, could be eliminated as was done by some breeders in the past who have sadly departed from us.

Q5. What piece of advice would you give a newcomer to the breed?

Learn to be a good graceful loser before anything, listen, watch and form your own opinions of what you see and hear at the ringside. If in doubt, consult your breeder.

Miniature Pinscher Club Annual Trophies

The club has Annual trophies on offer for points gained by placings at various shows throughout the year, 1st January to 31st December, points can only be claimed for breed classes and are as follows: So keep a note of all your wins/places. Note:- you can only claim points for one show per day.

The Daleviz Cup: Champ shows only

Points as follows (champ shows without CC's count as Open Shows)

First	6 points
Second	5 points
Third	4 points
Reserve	3 points
VHC	2 points

The Wacowan & Hayclose Trophies

All types of show where the breed is scheduled
Championship & Open Shows

First	5 points
Second	4 points
Third	3 points
Reserve	2 points
VHC	1 points

The Wacowan is for the Min Pin gaining the highest number of points for the year. The Hayclose for the highest number of points gained by the opposite sex to The Wacowan Trophy.

Claims to be sent to the Secretary: Miss M Burns, 4 Natalia Terrace, Maiden Newton Nr Dorchester Dorset DT2 0AR

To be made ASAP after 1st January 2005

I DON'T DO SOBER!

MIN PINS

By Eleanor Briggs age 14

I have a very small, very weird , very bizarre little dog. He's a Min Pin.

Min pin is short for miniature pinscher. In Germany where the breed originates, the Miniature Pinscher is known as the Reh Pinscher meaning deer because of their remarkable resemblance to a red deer. They are a real life beanie baby. They seem to have absolutely no purpose in life except to be exquisite and cute. It is a breed that is rarely seen. Our min pin was only one of five in North Devon when we got him. His name is Binky. He is nuts incredibly cute he has been unflatteringly been described as a 'rat on stilts'.

His original name was Tiny Timmy we watched him for a few days and noticed that he sort of pinged about except ping wasn't the right word he more 'binked' ..... we named him Binky ..... which is of course a much more impressive name.

He had been trained to stand on a table for showing purposes. This was very interesting when it came to take him and our other dog, Poppy to the Vet. Poppy is terrified of the vet. She has even been known to run away from him in the street. She is a very strong dog and has put mums shoulder out fighting with the vet. On one occasion in the vets, Poppy is screaming, pulling as hard as she can to get out the door doing the 'were all going to die!!!!' routine. Binky having the survival skills of a kit kat, picks up no signals from poppy and is delightedly dancing around getting everyone horribly tangled in the leads. Whilst Poppy's is being examined binky is going Ping! Ping! Ping! Up and down. 'let *me* on the table, I understand'. It takes 3 to keep poppy on the table and another one to hold back Binky.

Binky likes to run off with things of mine. Not my brothers but mine. This was quite amusing until he spotted that I kept asoft toy cat hanging off my mobile. He made it his goal to steal it. I once left it on the bed with him. I never saw it again. I have no idea what he did with my phone, I never found it. He definitely is a 'pincher' by name and by nature. He once stole an entire haddock. He 'found it' in the shopping and dragged it to in front of the fire. He dragged it past my Grandma who was sitting in a chair opposite. She managed not to

notice this small dog with a haddock the size of him go past. Mum found him with it sat by the fire with one arm resting on the haddock sort of like 'this is me and my haddock'. He hadn't attempted to eat it but was just sat there with gently smiling. One day we bought a boxed pizza and left it on the table. A little while later Binky trotted in with a slice of pizza, which compared to him was the size of a car door. There was a slight pause before mum yelled 'BINKY' he just looked at us as if to say 'what pizza'.

When we first got Binky he didn't make a noise at all but he seemed to pick up that your supposed to make a noise off our other dog. The slight problem is here that he can't bark like an ordinary dog. He sort of does this bizarre little wailing thing. If you can imagine a duck being strangled whilst its yodelling ... ...you are there.

A miniature pinscher is a whole new species!!!.
One of their gifts is they can worm their way into a heart of stone. They are the most loving, forgiving, kind hearted little souls. I hated him at first I couldn't see the point ! but mum and Binky persisted. When I come home tired from school he greets me with ecstasy, lies back in my arms, covers me with kisses and showers me with unquenchable love. They are really cute and really weird. I wouldn't swap him for a real dog... ... although he can be rather annoying at times.

Eleanor Briggs 14yrs
speech for Grenville college speech competition

BELLPINS

JAYCROFT ROYAL CAVALIER

CH JAYCROFT CLASSIC DESIGN

EX

TORILEA CARA LOU AT JAYCROFT

CH JAYCROFT CLASSIC DESIGN	KILMUIR IL CUCULO WITH JAYCROFT	CH KILMUIR GOLDEN CORN GAMBLER
		KILMUIR QUICK AS A FLASH TO ASHLAR
	ALCUM ROCKING ROBIN WITH JAYCROFT	IMPALA ADVOCATE OF THE NORTH AT ALCUM
		ALCUM SIZZLING SUE
TORILEA CARA LOU WITH JAYCROFT	CH GWYNSIAS TOUCH OF STYLE	CH THEATEAM TOUCH AND GO
		THEATEAM KEEP IN STYLE AT GWYNSIAS
	DIMOGEN EQUAL BLISS FROM TORILLA	MACBRUZRA EQUAL TERMS AT DIMOGEN
		TORILEA TRUE BLISS

WE ARE PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE THAT 'CONNOR' HAS HAD A SPECTACULAR START TO HIS SHOW CAREER.

BELFAST CH SHOW – 1ST PD & BPD

MIN PIN CH SHOW – 3RD MPD

OKEHAMPTON & DCS – BPIB

LISKEARD – AVNSC TOY OPEN, BEST AVNSC, AVNSC PUPPY, TOY GROUP 1 AND PUPPY TOY GROUP 1

ESSC DUAL MATCH – RES BPIB

ALL ENQUIRIES TO

CHRIS BRIGGS

&

MARK ELLIOTT

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BELLPINS

"JADE"
(TORILEA SOLITAIRE)

CHRIS, MARK, JADE AND THE REST OF THE GANG WISH EVERYONE A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR

MANDOLAIS

New Affix for Dianne Whetter,
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Vardenais Alfie Moon Of Mandolais
Bandit

Bandit checking out the trophies he and his mum Lily (Ch. Vardenais Catcha Moonbeam) won at the Min Pin Champ Show.

Well done to all my Min Pin's and Lily's pups, who are doing so well. Thanks to Aileen Coull and Wendi Eyles for helping me in the world of showing.

You're Never Alone with A Min Pin
Lily, Bandit, Meggie & Daisy

ADURUS
MINIATURE PINSCHERS

CH ADURUS STAND AND DELIVER

9 CC'S, 7 RCC'S, 5 BOB'S
PUPPY GROUP 2
JOINT TOP PUPPY 2002
BOB CRUFTS 2004 ~ MRS P. POWER

WE WOULD LIKE TO THANK EVERYONE WHO THOUGHT SO HIGHLY OF "KRISTEL

ADURUS MAN 'O' WAR
BPIB ~ BLACKPOOL, T. THORN
BPIB ~ RICHMOND, T. REES
BPIS ~ MIN PIN CH, M. BURNS
BPIB ~ DRIFFEILD, MRS P SAYCELL
BPIS ~ WATH & WEST MELTON, G. CRUZE

"IN LOVING MEMORY OF OUR BEAUTIFUL BOY ADURUS PRINZ EUGEN"
"EVERYTHING WE DO WE DO IT FOR YOU"
RIP MY BABY

ASHDOBPINS

ADURUS PININFARINA AT ASHDOBPINS
BY CH LOTSMOOR PIN NUMBER FOR TRUEGUARD
EX
ADURUS SUN MOON STARS
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1ST MPB ~ BORDER UNION CH, G. COLLINS
1ST PB ~ SOUTH WALES CH, D. JONES
IST PB, JB & RESERVE BEST BITCH ~ E OF ENGLAND, G. BAXTER
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1ST PUPPY & BEST AVNSC TOY PUPPY ~ ROYAL NORFOLK SHOW
1ST MPB ~ MIN PIN SOUTHERN OPEN SHOW, MRS J. SPARROW

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MINIATURE PINSCHER CLUB
CHAMP SHOW

2ND TYRO BITCH
2ND PUPPY BITCH
2ND JUNIOR BITCH
1ST MAIDEN BITCH
1ST NOVICE BITCH
MISS M. BURNS
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CLIVE WOULD LIKE TO THANK ALL THE JUDGES WHO THOUGHT SO HIGHLY OF MY FIRST MIN PIN, SUZY IS LOVED AND HANDLED BY ME AND ALSO JANET KING WHEN I CANT !

THE STORY OF CH JAYCROFT CLASSIC DESIGN

It was the 5th March 2004 I was stood in the challenge for the dog ticket at Crufts the biggest dog show in the world. I was stood trying to get Ozzie to stand as judge looked over the dogs one more time, she then walked over to the judges table, came back and looked one more time. Then she tried to give me the ticket but I was concentrating on Ozzie to much and didn't see. When I looked up I couldn't believe it, I could have fainted. I felt like giving the judge a big kiss. I was so overwhelmed. I have been in Min Pins 10 years and this was my first ticket. The second came at S.K.C under Howard Ogden and I got best of breed this was an extra special award as it was my Birthday the day before. I couldn't believe my dog was doing all this winning, everyone had told me how nice he was but he is not an easy dog to handle and I nearly let him go to a pet home but my friend Lyn wouldn't let me and told me to persevere and I am glad I did. The third ticket came at W.K.C under Sonya Saxby, his third ticket finally crowning him a champion. I still don't think its sunk in yet, my first champion.

Jenny Spence

The First Show

A Min Pin came into my life in 1997
I thought that he would bring to me an earthly touch of heaven.
He'd fill my day with cuddles, lots of love and true affection,
In short my life would change for good, I'd have a new direction!

We'd most of all be buddies, true companions both together,
We'd play with toys or walk the fields in all extremes of weather.
Some, training and some heel work as our bond began to grow,
And then a new idea formed, " I think I'd like to show!"

I'd seen it on the telly where the dogs all strut their stuff,
The triangles, the up and downs, it all looked fair enough.
The owners with their suits on and the dogs so smart and proud,
The looks of admiration, adulation from the crowd!

So off to training class we went with training leash and bait,
I read the books on "striding out" and " the true hackney gait."
We learned to be a well matched pair, that moved as one united,
Our entry form was soon filled in, our hopes would not be blighted!

The car was packed with picnic, showing gear , my friend and hound,
Now all we had to do was find the "Royal Cornwall" ground.
This muddy field, this ice cold hell was not what we expected!
But still, we'd stay , cheer up the dogs who now looked quite dejected!

With number on and leash in place, I stepped into the ring,
And then a voice was overheard " Exactly. WHATS THAT THING!"
I froze and moved my eyes from right to left and up and down,
It's me they meant, I stood alone, the only dog in town!

Oh well, I sighed, I'm all alone, but soon I felt quite happy,
I was the only puppy here, a very happy chappy!
" In zhour own time", the judge declared, "put dog upon ze table,
I'd like to see ze teeths peez, open mouse if you are able."

"Pleez, has he got two testy kills, one tucked up in ze belly?"
Good Grief! My Lord! It's gone! How Come? My , legs just turn to jelly!
" Go up ze ring and zen come back, a big triangle pleez"
" A Hackney Gate I'd like to zee... Does he haf zlipping knees?"

We sally forth, go up, come back and then stand in the middle,
Then as the judge approaches us, poop quickly follows piddle!
I realise we've blown our chance as Dictaphone appears,
" Pale, eyes, zlab zides, one testy kill, and zuch enormous ears!"

" Excuse me sir, there's some mistake, the ribbon here is blue!"
"Isn't that the colour thing that's meant for number two?"
" Yes yes, good friend, you are quite right, a first award is red"
Now try and get this simple fact embedded in your head.

" Zat chust because your Min Pins' highly bred and in his prime,
It does not mean to say ze judge will like him every time.
"Zo I have withheld first place, moved you down to number two,
And I didn't penalise ze lengthy pee or public poo!

LJH for Chris and Mark2004

WHAT ARE WE LOOKING FOR?

I have some concerns regarding the future of the breed. There has been talk for some time about the diversity of dogs in the ring and difference in results of judging at shows.
Having listened to championship show judges and breeders I have come to the conclusion that this may be because we each seem to have a different idea of what a Min Pin should look like.
It is quite acceptable that we should each attach different amounts of importance to different points and have different priorities.
Our standard is not very detailed so there is room for varying interpretations, but we must be able to justify our views by relating them back to the same K.C. breed standard. I think it would be really useful if breeders and judges, particularly championship show judges could use the newsletter as a forum to politely and openly discuss their views. So please write an article telling us what you look for and why.
I find the thought of going through the whole standard in an article a bit daunting so I will try and cover my thoughts on general appearance for the next issue.
Anyone brave enough to join me?
If we could each explain why we hold the opinions we do and relate them back to the standard, maybe we could learn from each other, understand each others view and begin singing from the same hymn sheet.
Thus we could send the breed into the future in a more consistent shape ~ in both meanings of the word.

Elaine Barnes
NORLEYBANK MINIATURE PINSCHERS
CHESHIRE

WE'RE CELEBRATING AT VARDENAIS!

THANK YOU TO ALL THOSE WHO HAVE THOUGHT SO HIGHLY OF VARDENAIS BRED STOCK THIS YEAR

YOU ARE TOO NUMEROUS TO MENTION
THANK YOU ALSO TO ALL THOSE WHO HAVE CAMPAIGNED VARDENAIS "BABIES" AND MOST OF ALL - THANK YOU TO: SCRAPPY, DREW, BANDIT, MAGNUS, DAISY,MEGGIE.MAVERICK, DENNIS AND ALIX - YOU DID GOOD KIDS !!!!

WISHING EVERYONE A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A PEACEFUL NEW YEAR

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Congratulations to Min Pin Club member Julie Burns on her marriage to Ian Watkin on 4 July 2004.

Julie is pictured here with her mum, Sue Burns, and her sister, Mandy, who was a bridesmaid. Julie and Ian's wedding cake had two tiny Min Pin figures sitting on the top (purchased from Sonya Saxby's Min Pin Shop), one red and one black and tan, dressed as a bride and groom.

Ch Hawksflight All Fired Up at Impala

(Ch Impala Angel of the South – Ch Viva Forever at Hawksflight)

RCC Birmingham National 2003 (Mr A Wight)
CC Blackpool 2003 (Mrs H Smith)
RCC Birmingham National 2004 (Mrs R Morgan)
RCC SKC 2004 (Mr H Ogden)
CC & BOB Border Union 2004 (Mr G Collins)
RCC South Wales 2004 (Mrs D Jones)
CC City of Birmingham 2004 (Miss D Stark)
RCC Richmond 2004 (Mrs T Rees)
RCC Midland Counties 2004 (Mr T Mather)

Sincere thanks to all the judges who have thought so highly of 'Jazz', but most of all, a very big thank you to Nicky Mackie for our second Hawksflight champion.

Merry Christmas & a happy, healthy & successful 2005 from Sue, Robbie, Mandy, Julie & all of the Impala Min Pins.

Championship Show Results 2004

Windsor: Mrs A Horan

DCC	Hillspan Lone Ranger, bred/owned Smith-Wilson
RDCC	Ch Telidor in Tempo with Hawksflight, bred Rees, owned Mackie & Kelland
BCC	Ch Adurus Stand and Deliver JW, bred/owned King*
RBCC	Exquisite Elfreda at Stenoir, bred Swinburn, owned Black
BP	Jennyfield Ferrari Red, bred Menary, owned Saxby

South Wales: Mrs D Jones

DCC	Tubize Cymmer Kid with Gwynsias, bred Smith, owned Parry*
RDCC	Hawkflight All Fired Up at Impala, bred Mackie & Kelland, owned Burns
BCC	Ch Hawksflight in the Pink at Impala, bred Mackie & Kelland, owned Burns
RBCC	Vardenais Moon Glow, bred/owned Coull
BP	Galkerah Cracker Jack at Zakro, bred Melville, owned Adamo

Paignton: Mrs J Mitchell

DCC	Hillspan Lone Ranger, bred/owned Smith-Wilson*
RDCC	Ch Torilea Solo Edition, bred/owned Power
BCC	Exquisite Elfreda at Stenoir, bred Swinburn, owned Black
RBCC	Ch Hawksflight in the Pink at Impala, bred Mackie & Kelland, owned Burns
BP	Galkerah Tiger Lily, bred/owned Melville

WKC: Mrs S Saxby

DCC	Jaycroft Classic Design, bred/owned Spence
RDCC	Nelleesh the Duke with Layjay, bred Kennedy, owned Kennedy & Cody
BCC	Exquisite Elfreda at Stenoir, bred Swinburn, owned Black*
RBCC	Alcum Shady Lady at Hillspan, bred Mitchell, owned Smith-Wilson
BP	Galkerah Cracker Jack at Zakro, bred Melville, owned Adamo

City of Birmingham: Miss D Stark

DCC	Hawkflight All Fired Up at Impala, bred Mackie & Kelland, owned Burns
RDCC	Vardenais Harvest Moon at Carive, bred Coull, owned Iveson
BCC	Vardenais Moon Glow, bred/owned Coull*
RBCC	Carive Voodoo Girl, bred/owned Iveson
BP	Galkerah Cracker Jack at Zakro, bred Melville, owned Adamo

* = BOB

Congratulations to this year's new champions

Ch Vardenais Moon Maestro, bred by Aileen Coull, owned by Aileen Coull & Wendi Eyles

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Ch Tubize Bumble Bee, bred by Donald & Heather Smith, owned by Neil Buffery

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Ch Hillspan Lone Ranger, bred & owned by Janet Smith-Wilson

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Ch Jaycoft Classic Design, bred & owned by Paul & Jenny Spence

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Ch Exquisite Elfreda at Stenoir, bred by Miss Swinburn, owned by Bill & the late Vera Black

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Ch Hawksflight All Fired Up at Impala, bred by Nicky Mackie & Pete Kelland, owned by Sue Burns

Championship Show Results 2004

Richmond: Mrs T Rees

DCC	Ch Hillspan Lone Ranger, bred/owned Smith-Wilson*
RDCC	Hawkflight All Fired Up at Impala, bred Mackie & Kelland, owned Burns
BCC	Ch Hawksflight in the Pink at Impala, bred Mackie & Kelland, owned Burns
RBCC	Ch Adurus Stand and Deliver JW, bred/owned King
BP	Adurus Man O' War, bred/owned King

Darlington: Miss P Clayton

DCC	Ch Hillspan Lone Ranger, bred/owned Smith-Wilson*
RDCC	Jennyfield Ferrari Red at Saxsonya, bred Menary, owned Saxby
BCC	Ch Adurus Stand and Deliver JW, bred/owned King
RBCC	Exquisite Elfreda at Stenoir, bred Swinburn, owned Black
BP	Jennyfield Ferrari Red with Saxsonya, bred Menary, owned Saxby

Belfast: Mrs M Vam Brempt

DCC	Ch Torilea Solo Edition, bred/owned Power*
RDCC	Jaycroft Hideaway, bred Spence, owned Ford
BCC	Mystical Skywalker ShCM, bred Swinburn, owned Thomas
RBCC	Ch Hawksflight in the Pink at Impala, bred Mackie & Kelland, owned Burns
BP	Kilmuir Christmas Belle, bred McLean, owned Quinn

Miniature Pinscher Club: Miss M Burns

DCC	Ch Hillspan Lone Ranger, bred/owned Smith-Wilson*
RDCC	Vardenais Alfie Moon, bred Coull, owned Whetter
BCC	Ch Adurus Stand and Deliver JW, bred/owned King
RBCC	Hawksflight Love on Fire, bred/owned Mackie & Kelland
BP	Adurus Man O' War, bred/owned King

Midland Counties: Mr T Mather

DCC	Ch Torilea Solo Edition, bred/owned Power*
RDCC	Ch Hawkflight All Fired Up at Impala, bred Mackie & Kelland, owned Burns
BCC	Ch Hawksflight in the Pink at Impala, bred Mackie & Kelland, owned Burns
RBCC	Alcum Shady Lady at Hillspan, bred Mitchell, owned Smith-Wilson
BP	Allanabru Miss Tutti Frutti, bred/owned Allan

*** = BOB**

A warm welcome to our new members...

Joan Berry from County Antrim

Jack & Sue Malcolm from Flintshire

Bren Weston & Nicola Bell from Berkshire

Elaine Barnes from Cheshire

Clive Holman from Norfolk

Lesley Laurence from Cheshire

Cherry Morgan from Bristol

Pat Quinn from Larne

Caroline Arthur from Swansea

Jo Clayton from Burley in Wharfedale

Allan Baker, Marianne Gilbert-Baker & David Clough from Norfolk

Charlie Johnson from Gwent

Marc & Heather Jones from Mid Glamorgan