# THE MINIATURE PINSCHER CLUB

# PENCIL MARKS

WINTER 2012

## PRESIDENTS PEN

This year is one to be remembered, especially for the Weather! My dogs have certainly got used to the mud and wet hopefully they not going to get webbed feet! You know they say we always talk about the Weather, this has been very true especially this Year!

At the moment our breed has been quite stable in numbers in the showring, but we are all thinking about the cost of our hobby, with taking days off, the cost of entries and fuel, unfortunately it is becoming expensive.

I must thank our Officers and Committee for giving up their time to run the Club and the events that come along with it, which are run so well with their efforts. Especially Susan Colborne-Baber and Di Stark and their Pins for supporting our Stand and Breed at Discover Dogs in London and Christine Parker for organising and manning Discover Dogs at Crufts, along with her Pins. Min Pins love showing off and Discover Dogs is the ideal place, so, if you can spare any time to help at DD at Crufts, please let Christine Parker know.

March will bring our AGM, if there is anything that you would like to bring up for the meeting, please get in touch with Harriet McLean our Secretary, who will add it to the Agenda.

On a final note, this is your Newsletter and we all enjoy receiving them, so if you have any contributions, all input is welcome, Di Gentle would very much appreciate it.

Thank you all for your continuing support, I hope you all have a Very Happy Christmas and a very good showing New Year.

**Heather Smith**

## Secretarial Scribblings

Dear Members

November again – it feels like no time since last year – and summer and winter seem to be as one .... miserable!
I retired 18 months ago and hope to spend more time with family and animals and indeed take advantage of the glorious summer weather we enjoy at our house in Bulgaria.
As a result, I have decided that the time is ripe for someone new to take over the reins as secretary and I will stand down at the AGM in March. Several committee members have indicated that they will not stand for re-election so there will be vacancies to fill and hopefully lots of enthusiastic new candidates!
I send out approximately 180 ballot papers and around 60 are returned. I know that some of you feel that you should not vote if you don't know the people concerned, so to this end I will ask potential candidates to write a very brief resume in order to allow non-showing members to hopefully cast educated votes ☺
We will have 6 new 4 legged additions to our family by the time you read this, as a result of adopting 2 dogs which were abandoned in our village in Bulgaria along with the 4 kittens a neighbour's cat produced in our house. Happily, we have found homes here for 3 of the kittens as our resident cat will not be impressed by an invasion of little furry people speaking a foreign language! Next year's show money is swallowed up .... but in a good cause ...as the cats and dogs would not be likely to survive a long hard winter in Bulgaria. In fact Mecho, the male dog was already a 'marked man' when I took him under my wing, for picking off someone's chicken!
Liz Porteous-Thomson has retired as webmaster and we are grateful for the hard work she has put in over the years. The committee would welcome offers of help from knowledgeable members in order to upgrade and improve the Club's website. www.miniaturepinscherclub.co.uk
Can I remind you that subs are due on 1st January. £10.00 joint and overseas, £7.00 single and £2.00 junior.
Please make cheques payable to 'The Miniature Pinscher Club' and send them to me at 'Bridgeholm', New Trows Road, Lesmahagow, South Lanarks. ML11 0JS.
To avoid becoming a 'lapsed' member (through forgetting to renew subs before the end of February) and having to rejoin the Club – you can make arrangements with the Club Treasurer, Susan Colborne-Baber – to pay by standing order. I will give the Club's bank details elsewhere in this issue.
Finally, I would like to wish everyone and their Min Pins a very happy festive season and best wishes for the New Year.

*Harriet*

# A LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

I cannot believe another Year has passed already! I hope that last Year bought you all you wished and hoped for.

Picking up on Heather's comment about Dog Showing becoming expensive, I quite agree and it would be nice, that, when we do enter our dogs, that we are given the full attention that we deserve, after all, we pay a lot of money for this hobby. I have heard a lot around the ring about Exhibitors feeling that they have not been given their monies worth. I, myself as a Judge have felt robbed by not giving Exhibitors this, because I have been asked to hurry up as they have another breed scheduled, these Show Societies should take this into consideration when you have a considerate Judge.

I would like now like to take this opportunity to let you all know that this will be my last Newsletter. I am also stepping down from the Committee, which I think will let other Members come forward and offer their services to the Club, and hopefully take the Club forward. It is a decision that I have not taken lightly on all accounts, but as most of my close dog show friends know that my dear Mother is not in the best of health, and I need to commit more time to her, and my new position at work is a lot more demanding than what I expected.

Thank you all for all of your years of support of contributing, which, has made my job (well sometimes) easier, and to Aileen Coull who has helped me out on this Edition. I am getting a little emotional over this, as this has been my Baby for a few years now (Sounds like I am giving a speech after receiving an Oscar)! I do hope that you will support our next Ed! After all, due to costs etc, this is the only way for some Members to keep in contact.

You would have read the Secretarial Scribblings before my letter, and I am really sad to say that Harriet has stepped down from her position as Secretary. I , myself will be very sad to see Harriet go, because to me, she has done a wonderful and a very professional Job, but H, has said she wants to enjoy her time with her Grandchildren, her house in Bulgaria and most importantly of all, her dogs! To me Harriet would give one of Alan Sugar's P.A's a run for their Money!

On this note I shall sign off for the last time, and once again Thank you all for your support over the years, and whoever gets elected for the Committee, I am sure that you will do a great job!

Di

# Christmas Greetings

# From Miniature Pinscher Rescue

The following people have elected this year to send money to Min Pin Rescue instead of sending Christmas cards to which Rescue is very grateful. Each year sees more and more Min Pins come through Rescue and costs getting ever higher so thank you so much.

Sue and Di

Sue Burns and Mandy Chard (Impala)

Janet Smith Wilson (Hillspan)

Ray and Jeanette Park (Rayjen)

Kim David (Keehoo)

Cindy Collinson (Collypins)

Mary Pollard (Polmadann)

Wendi Eyles

# DJ MOGEN

## Min Pins & Persians

TINO – REBEKAH TARRANTINO NOW 17 YEARS OLD!

Wish you all a Merry Christmas
And A
Happy New Year

# KELJANTZI'S ORINSPIRING

MINIATURE PINSCHER OF THE YEAR 2012 WINNER

# FLOYD

**WE WERE SO SURPRISED AND THRILLED WHEN FLOYD WON MINIATURE PINSCHER OF THE YEAR, HE IS SUCH A HAPPY BOY WHO LOVES SHOWING AND IS A PLEASURE TO LIVE WITH.**

**KATHERINE, ADRIAN AND THE THREE MIN PINS WHOM WE LIVE WITH KARMANN, FLOYD AND CHARLOTTE WOULD LIKE TO WISH EVERYONE A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR**

**TEL 0151 524 2921**

**EMAIL KATFRENCH76@HOTMAIL.COM**

**Ch Impala Follow the Sun to Hillspan JW**

(Ch Impala Johnny Angel – Ch Hawksflight in the Pink at Impala)

Ayla congratulates Izzy on her five challenge certificates, all won this year, including Crufts and the Min Pin Club Championship Show. We're also delighted about the wins that Izzy's nieces and nephews have had in the ring this year and wish them continued success in the future.

*Sue, Robbie, Mandy & Julie & all the Impala Min Pins wish you a very merry Christmas & a happy, healthy & successful 2013. A donation to charity has been made in lieu of sending cards this year.*

Every good wish for
Christmas and the New
Year from all at Kilmuir

This is a copy of a letter that I sent to the 'pet' dog magazines in an attempt to contact as many pet Min Pin owners as possible to establish the overall health of our breed - ; the show community is fairly well aware of any problems the breed may be subject to, patellar luxation and Addison's disease being the most well-known but the pet owners are out of touch, they don't get the Club newsletter and their Min Pins may the only ones their vets ever see so the vets may not be aware of breed related problems or even who to ask about them. The more pet owners we can contact the better.

I am writing this in an attempt to contact as many owners of Miniature Pinschers as possible. There are approximately 150 – 200 miniature pinschers who are active in the show ring in the UK at any one time but there are probably 10-20 times that number who are pets and companions.

The Miniature Pinscher Club would like to find out how healthy our breed is in the real world – we know that the show and breeding dogs owned by members of the Miniature Pinscher Club are, on the whole , healthy and fit for function, but we would like to know whether the much larger number of min pins who are not show dogs are also healthy. Many of them will have been bred by breeders who are not members of the Miniature Pinscher Club and who therefore may not be up to date with current health testing recommendations.

As the Breed health Co-ordinator I would like anyone reading this who has one or more Min Pins to contact me on the following email address dstark7791@btinternet.com and I will send them a very brief questionnaire to fill in. It would also be very helpful if anyone reading this who knows someone with Min Pins could draw this letter to their attention – the bigger the response the more useful information will emerge. It would be great if breeders could bring this to the attention of any of their pet puppy owners.

Depending on the results of the questionnaire, we hope to establish a Breed Health Scheme which will reward healthy dogs, and their breeders if known, and to encourage health testing in the future.

Although we would like to publish the overall results in the newsletter of the Min Pin Club, all replies will be treated in confidence. Hopefully we will find that our lovely little breed is as healthy as we thought it was, but any information is useful if it helps to prevent genetic disease in the future.

Di Stark

**We Few, We Happy Few.**

Six o'clock in the morning, feeling bleary eyed, we were bumping along in the coach Jane and I on our way to climb Vesuvius. We halted at traffic lights and just as we turned the corner we spotted on a balcony, a woman in a shiny dressing gown. Now I am not saying that she looked like a 'Lady of the night' but it was a very thin dressing gown, more of a wrap which just didn't meet in the middle and therefore didn't cover all the parts that it should have done.

However, we forgot about the woman the minute we heard it. The Min Pin bark! It was a blue Min Pin standing beside the woman on the balcony. No idea if it was a dog or a bitch as its important parts were hidden by the flapping dressing gown! Now you might say that we were mistaken. That it wasn't a Min Pin, that there weren't or aren't any blues in Italy. The bark! That gave it away. The woman's minder I ask?

Then there was one of our trips to Majorca, again climbing up steep slopes. The four of us admired the view from the top of the hill, ate our sandwiches, drunk our coffee and set off back to our apartment in Campo del Mar. Our descent was by way of different route to our way up and at the bottom of the hill, can't call it a mountain – not exactly the Cairngorms, there was to our right, a farm track.

Along the track a little red streak came rushing. No, definitely not running. Rushing is the word. A Min Pin! Barking, growling, she was doing the business and skidded to a halt. She stood in the middle of the track positively bristling, trying very hard to terrorise us. Clem's twin brother said, 'Oh! My God!' Not because of the Min Pin, but the three cows also coming down the track, obviously not as fast as the Min Pin but ambling I think would be the word. The Min Pin turned. She growled, barked and ran towards the cows. They stopped and very nimbly turned and charged back the way that they had come; their exit was much faster than their'amble'. A Min Pin cowherd? Or is it Cowherdess? We were impressed. Until she got to the top of the track that is. She turned and started back to us, we made ourselves scarce.

Then there was the docks at Calais. Min Pin on a lead barking like heck at everything and everybody. He was wearing a bright red and yellow coat (definitely HE as I am sure no self respecting pretty little Min Pin bitch would have been seen in that coat, but I am not biased). I think that he was actually a fashion statement as he and his owner wore contrasting outfits. However, the bark ruined the effect and he took no notice of the tirade of German that left his owner's mouth. Glad that my German wasn't that good! But the Min Pin obviously was anxious to be 'noticed'. If you've got it, flaunt it!

Min Pins around the world obviously share a common language; we could all learn something from that. I live in New Zealand and our plumber's Min Pin sounds just the same as our Min Pins did, so does the Min Pin that owns the manager of the Farmer's Market and the one that I saw in Sydney. You know what I mean, don't you? That sound that only our breed can make. That bark you hear whenever you put your key in the door. It's that lovely, continuous, noisy rendering that says, 'where have you been? My dinner's late but I forgive you since you are cuddling me!'

As breeds go, there aren't a lot of Min Pins but they do get your attention, don't they? As they say in New Zealand, they are **sweet as eh!**

# PETAZ

Hawksflight Paint Me Red Petaz JW
Winning Min Pin Club Puppy of the Year Competition

Petaz Agatha Christie

Vanessa Cox
Tel: 01949 81473

Julie Baldwin
Tel: 01922 421534

# PINICIO MINATURE PINSCHERS

**GALKERAH DONATELLO DEL PINICIO**

**10 x 1st at Ch Shows in 2012**

**DCC & BOB at Paignton - judge Terry Nethercott**

**RCC - SWKA - judge Brenda Taylor**

**BOB - Southern Counties - Carole Iveson**

**BD - 3 Counties - Stephen Bardwell**

**Many thanks to his breeder Susan Housden for trusting him with us.**

## INTRODUCING PINICIO'S FIRST GENERATION

**Pinicio Jelly Beanie**

**Pinicio Jelly Tot**

**Also look out for PINICIO JELLY BABY AT HILLSPAN owned by Janet Smith-Wilson. Many thanks to Nicky Mackie for allowing me to breed this litter by trusting me with 'Dory' Hawksflight Billie Jean at Pinicio.**

**Dom Santoriello**
**www.pinicio.co.uk**

# The Miniature Pinscher Club

## Patella (Kneecap) Testing Scheme

The Miniature Pinscher Club has introduced a testing scheme for Patella Luxation (Slipping Kneecap) a condition that has been known to affect the breed.
We would strongly recommend that all potential breeding stock is tested before being bred from and any animal which is unsound is removed from your breeding programme.

The Miniature Pinscher to be tested should be taken to the vet of your choice who will check the details of the dog against it's Kennel Club registration documents and confirm identification by microchip or tattoo.

Following examination of the dog using the Putnam (1968) Scoring System, the vet should complete and sign the form.

A copy of the completed form signed by the owner and the examining vet should be sent to the Club's health co-ordinator as detailed on the Putnam Scoring System document. If the owner agrees, the result will be included in the list of tested Miniature Pinschers.

The Club's aim is to have as many Miniature Pinschers as possible screened using the scheme but certainly, individual animals to be used in breeding programmes, should be tested prior to mating. The optimum age for testing is between 12 and 24 months but dogs can be tested from 12 months onwards with no upper age limit.

No anaesthesia or X-rays are required – just three essential but easy steps:

1. Have your dog micro-chipped or tattooed
2. Take your KC registration documents
3. Contact the Club secretary for a form or down load from the Club's website.

Please take advantage of this scheme to enable us to maintain the health of our Miniature Pinschers.

## Patellar Luxation Screening Programme

## Dogs submitted since January 2012

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Elanaux Soleado | 0:1 | Anderson |
| Catamyrann Fujisan to Suggmins | 2:2 | Grant |
| Vardene Call Me Carly | 0;0 | Malcolm |
| Nikaglen Roccoco Design of Granddach | 0:0 | Grant |
| Kilmuir Christmas Belle | 0:1 | QUINN |
| Schancho Jumping Ginny | 0:0 | Quinn |
| Can Ch Kaethreh Nutmeg Kisst at Tubize | 0:0 | Smith |
| Ch Hawksflight Seal Wiv A Kiss | 0:0 | Smith |
| Galkerah Donatello | 0:0 | Santoriello |
| Borneways Royal William | 0;0 | Colborne-Baber |
| Kaethrehan Influential Man for Vardenais | 0:0 | Coull |
| Alcum Toy Doll | 0:0 | Mitchell |
| Alcum Suited N'Booted | 0:0 | Mitchell |
| Alcum Red Dwarf | 0:0 | Mitchell |
| Vickstock Blazing Diva for Trenson | 0:0 | Harrison |
| Ch Vardenais Moonchime | 0:0 | Coull |
| Rayjen Sherry Trifle | 0:0 | Park |
| Cherrybeau First Lieutenant | 0:0 | Robson |
| Ch Cherkhan Fire'n'Ice in Galherah | 0;0 | Housden |
| Galkerah Tiger lily JW ShCM | 0:0 | Housden |
| Ch Galkerah Chakita JW ShCM | 0:0 | Housden |
| Galkerah Macy Gray | 0:0 | Housden |

# Mary & "Little Amy"

*Wish all Min Pinners*
*A Merry Xmas*
*And*
*A Happy & Successful New Year!*

*Also greatful Thanks to the Judges*
*Placing "Amy" the few times she has been shown.*

*Cheers and Good Luck*
*From the Polmadanns*

# Rayjen
# Miniature Pinschers

*Would Like to Wish*
*All Fellow Min Pinners*
*A very Merry Christmas*
*And a Happy New Year*

*Ray & Jeanette Park*

*Christmas Cards will not be sent this year a donation*
*Will be made to rescue*

# The Miniature Pinscher Club Annual Trophies

These are on offer for points gained from placings at shows (breed classes only) throughout the year 1st January to 31st December.

## The Daleviz Cup – Championship Shows Only

Points as follows

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|---|---|
| First | 6 |
| Second | 5 |
| Third | 4 |
| Reserve | 3 |
| VHC | 2 |

## The Wawocan and Hayclose Trophies

Championship and Open Shows where the breed is scheduled.

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|---|---|
| First | 5 |
| Second | 4 |
| Third | 3 |
| Reserve | 2 |
| VHC | 1 |

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

Please send your claims to The Secretary: Mrs H McLean
'Bridgeholm'
New Trows Road
Lesmahagow
ML11 0JS

BY THE 28th January 2013

Wishing everyone a joyous festive season and best wishes for 2013

Hugh and Pat Quinn and the Schanchos

# Dates for 2013

AGM and MPOTY Saturday March 23rd 2013

Southern Open Show Sunday 28th July 2013 24 classes.
Judge elect Mrs Jeanette Park (Rayjen)

Championship Show Saturday 21st September 2013 25 classes
Judge elect Miss N Mackie (Hawksflight)

The Club's second '3rd' Open Show Sunday October 13th 2013
This will be held at Builth Wells (in conjunction with SWKA) and will be a 15 class show.
Judge elect Mrs B Eyles (Hunviz)

Northern Open Show Sunday 17th November 2013 25 classes
Judge elect Mr Bert Easdon (Yakee)

# The Miniature Pinscher Club Bank Details

In order to allow members to set up a standing order with their bank so that subs are automatically paid annually, I am making the Club's account details available as follows.

Bank Account Lloyds TSB 03062834

Sort code 30-91-60

At this time I am unable to provide D/D forms but hope to be able to in future.
Please inform Susan or myself if you are paying by standing order.

# Shetopa Miniature Pinschers

Champion Shetopa King of Arabia JW Shcm (Toby)
7CC'S, 9 RCC'S
Hawksflight Paint the Sky of Shetopa JW 1 RCC

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We are extremely proud of Toby (First Homebred Champion)
& Flo in their achievements so far

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We thank all the Judges who thought so highly of our dogs.
Plus thank you to all other Miniature Pinschers folk for
support & congratulations.

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Best wishes & Good Luck to Everyone For 2013

**MERRY CHRISTMAS & A HAPPY NEW YEAR**

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**Jean & Tony Shepherd**
**jeanshepherdjps@hotmail.com - 07889 866755**

# Tubize
# Miniature Pinschers

wish you all a Merry Christmas
and a Happy New Year

**Ch Hawksflight Seal Wiv a Kiss - Top Stud Dog 2012**
**his daughters**
**Tubize Kathy's Kisses - RBCC and BPIB - WKC**
**Tubize Erica - consistantly placed through the year**
**and proud mum, Can Ch Kaethreh Nutmeg Kisst at Tubize (Imp Can)**

**Donald, Heather, Katie , Scott and Sophia**

**01978 842515**

# VARDENAIS

## MINIATURE PINSCHERS

Ch Impala Chase the Sun to Vardenais ShCM

Top Toy Brood Bitch 2012
Beth is so proud of all her kids
Ch Vardenais Moon Chime, Vardenais Snow Fairy, Vardenais S'no Angel at Impala, Vardenais S'no Business at Rayjen, Vardenais Moon Chant, Vardenais Snow Patrol

VARDENAIS SNOW FAIRY
TOP MIN PIN PUPPY 2012
BPIS MIN PIN CLUB CH SHOW
CC & BOB BOURNEMOUTH
PUPPY GROUP 4
Am/Can Ch Kaethreh Cajun Cayo at Hawksflight (Imp Can)
ex
Ch Impala Chase the Sun to Vardenais ShCM

CH VARDENAIS MOON CHIME
8 CCS, 2 BOB,5 RCCS

My thanks to all those who have made this wonderful year possible, especially Wendi for handling when needed, Grant for looking after things at home and to all those who have supported us this year with congratulations and encouragement - you know who you are!

Aileen Coull
01672 540827

# THE MINIATURE PINSCHER CLUB OFFICIAL CALENDAR 2013

## OFFICIAL CALENDAR 2013

**Twelve gorgeous full colour photos, all show dates and judges (where known) for you to enjoy all year round.**

**just £8 plus p & p (£2.00 mainland UK, overseas price on application)**

**To order your calendar please email vardenais@aol.com or send your cheque, made out to the Miniature Pinscher Club, to Miss A Coull**

**2 Bailey Hill Farm Cottages, Baydon, Nr Marlborough, Wiltshire, SN8 2JU**

# Miniature Pinscher Club

## AGM

## And Miniature Pinscher of the Year

## 23rd March 2013

Entry for this prestigious competition is by invite only – dogs who have won a CC, RCC and BPIB at a Championship show or have won BIS and BPIS at either of the Club's two Open shows and owned by fully paid up members of the Miniature Pinscher Club will shortly be receiving their invite.

To take place after the AGM at St Mary's Church Hall,

30 Hobbs Meadow, Solihull, B92 8PN.

Why not make a day of it? Attend the AGM and then stay for Min Pin of the Year – tickets only £8.00 and include a delicious lunch.

For more details contact:

Harriet McLean – macminpin@aol.com – 01555 892683 (AGM)

Aileen Coull – vardenais@aol.com – 01672 540827

(Min Pin of the Year)