

## NEWSLETTER

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The summer show season is drawing to a close, with a few autumn and winter shows still to go in 2011, the weather in many areas has been changeable and not always very summery.

#### Special points of Interest:

- Dates for the Diary
  - Judging Seminar
  - Discover Dogs
- Show reports:
  - Crufts 2011
  - World Dog Show 2011
  - JAIC Club Show 2011

#### Breed classes are scheduled at:

##### British Utility Breeds Championship Show

Date: 03/12/2011  
Judge: Mr Mac Shutt  
BINGLEY HALL  
Staffordshire County Showground  
Stafford ST18 0BD  
Entries close: 10/10/2011

##### Manchester Championship Show

Date: 20/01/2012  
Judge: Mr Kari Jarvinen (Finland)  
Staffordshire County Showground  
Stafford ST18 0BD  
Entries close: 09/12/2011  
Schedules:  
<http://www.highampress.co.uk/download.asp>

##### Crufts Championship Show

Date: 08/03/2012  
Judge: Mary Deats  
NEC, Birmingham, B40 1NT  
Entries open: mid-Nov 2011  
Schedules: <http://www.crufts.org.uk>

#### Club Website

[www.japaneseakita-inu.co.uk](http://www.japaneseakita-inu.co.uk)

If you have any news or information about the Japanese Akita Inu that you would like to share with other members please send them to:  
[akita\\_inu@injami.com](mailto:akita_inu@injami.com)

Please note that not all articles received can be published.

There are a number of shows that have classes for Japanese Akita Inu and it has been great to see some new dogs in the ring as well as the regular competitors. Also if you have been involved in any other activities with your dog's please let us know. We'd love to hear about any other achievements and adventures that you and your dogs are having.

#### Dates for the Diary.

##### BUBA (British Utility Breeds) Championship Show, Staffordshire County Showground 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2011

This is usually a well-attended show and one of the last shows of the year. Focussing on the Utility breeds, there are a good range of classes included for the Japanese Akita Inu. Continued support from exhibitors will help to ensure that we continue to see the good spread of classes at this show. Hopefully a good entry will encourage other shows to put on more classes for us in the future.

##### Crufts 2012

**NEC, Birmingham**  
8<sup>th</sup> - 11<sup>th</sup> March 2012  
Website: <http://www.crufts.org.uk/>

The Japanese Akita Inu classes (and other Utility breeds) are on Thursday, 8<sup>th</sup> March at Crufts this year. In addition to the show classes there is a Discover Dogs section, doggy activities and of course lots of shopping opportunities. The Japanese Akita Inu Club will be manning the stand in the Discover Dogs section so please come and see us there.

Hopefully there will be a good entry of dogs who have been busy qualifying both in the UK and abroad during 2011.

##### Japanese Akita Inu Club AGM 2012 Venue: TBD 15<sup>th</sup> April 2012

Please put this date in your diary to attend the AGM. This is your opportunity to tell the committee directly what you would like the club to do going forwards and make your opinions heard. More details will be distributed closer to the event.

#### Events in 2012

The club would like to put on some more events for its members in 2012, and as a committee we have been thinking of what you would be interested in. Below are some proposals and we would like to hear what you think. Please contact me on [membersec@japaneseakita-inu.co.uk](mailto:membersec@japaneseakita-inu.co.uk) with your views and any other suggestions you have:

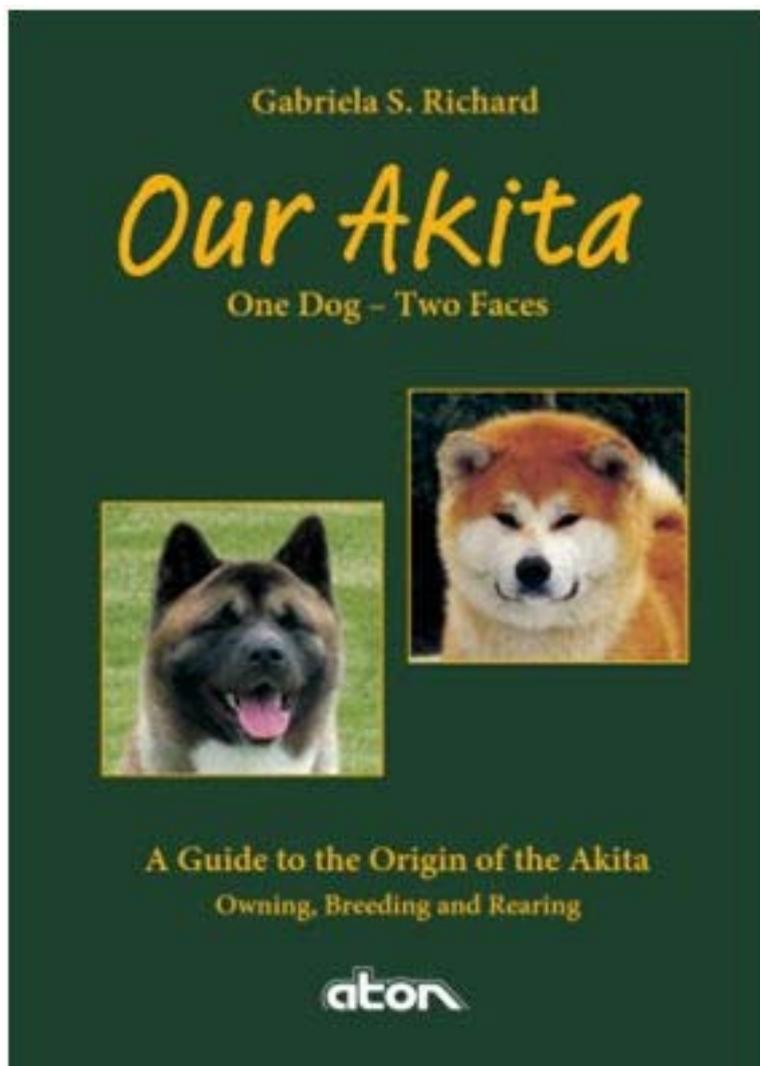
- **Breed Education Seminar and Dinner** – the evening subsequent to utility day at Crufts, would members be interested in attending a seminar about the breed? This could be held either at the NEC or at one of the hotels nearby. Please indicate if you would be interested in attending and if you have any suggestions for speakers you are particularly interested in.
- **Fun Day/Companion Dog Show** – this would contain a number of fun and show classes to enter, plus demonstrations and have-a-go events to attend or participate in. Suggestions so far include: grooming demonstration, handling tips and advice, obedience training and general advice assistance. Please also send your suggestions for things you would be interested in participating in.
- **Breed Educational Seminar** – a half or full day event with speakers and demonstrations about the Japanese Akita Inu. If you would be interested in this are there any areas in particular you would like included e.g. showing, health, training, grooming?
- **An Evening Seminar and Dinner** – this could be either a stand-alone event or an addition to a show or other event.
- **Any other suggestions?** Please send any other suggestions for events that you would be interested in attending. All suggestions will be considered.

## Book Review – Our Akita by Gabriela S. Richard

The breed 'Akita' has been separated into two distinct breeds with differing breed standards and temperaments, the Japanese Akita Inu and the American Akita,

This book provides an insight into the Akita and Japanese Akita Inu and covers all aspects of owning and living with your Akita. It covers the following sections:

- About the Japanese Akita Inu and the American Akita  
This discusses the 2 breeds, the differences between them in both temperament and physical appearance.
- Feeding and care  
Discussion on feeding the Akita, health considerations in the breed and general care of the Akita
- Breeding  
Gabriela discusses the requirements for breeding, selecting breeding partners and hereditary considerations. She also gives an overview of the stages of pregnancy, whelping and raising puppies through adolescence into adulthood.
- Living with Akita's  
This section looks at the day to day considerations of living with Akita's, common issues and how to overcome them. Also living with Akita's, children and other pets.
- The Akita and Training  
Akita's are not the easiest dogs to train, however, it is possible to train them and some good advice is given on training and also how to find a good trainer for your Akita.



This guide gives you, in a vivid and entertaining manner, an intensive view of this special Nordic breed - so that you are really able to understand your Akita.

**Note:** In the FCI countries (including Germany) the Akita is known in the UK as the Japanese Akita Inu and the American Akita (FCI countries) is the Akita in the UK. So where the book refers to the 'Akita' this references the Japanese Akita Inu.

**About the Author** Gabriela - Gabriela Sophie Richard is an English teacher and mother of two daughters. She grew up with two Akita's and today lives with her family and six Akita's in Kamen, Germany. Her life has revolved around the Akita breed for more than 40 years both as a breeder, founder and president of the "Akita in Not" rescue station for Akita's in need. She is also a VDH (German Kennel Club) dog trainer, a judge for Akita's and many other breeds, as well as the head breeding supervisor for the Akita Club e.V. group.

She gathered extensive information about this breed by breeding 140 puppies in 24 litters (as of 2009). She gained lots of insight about training this breed by finding homes for over 100 Akita's in need, as well as numerous dogs that she herself raised.

For more details and to order a copy of the book please visit: [www.our-akita-book.com](http://www.our-akita-book.com).

Additionally, in order to save on postage I will be bringing some copies back from Brussels Show for posting on 19 December. If you would like to reserve a copy please contact me on [membersec@japaneseakita\\_inu.co.uk](mailto:membersec@japaneseakita_inu.co.uk) for details.

## Show Scene

There have been a number of shows in both the UK and Europe, over the summer, which have been well-attended by club members. Congratulations to all of those who had wins both at home and abroad.

## Show Report: Crufts 2011.

We had a late start to the judging, but that didn't seem to affect any of the dogs who seemed to enjoy their day out at the show. There were a few absentees, but all in all a good turnout of 22 entries.

The club would like to congratulate all the dogs and owners who took part and hope that you had an enjoyable day.



**Best of Breed and Best Dog:**  
IR CH Kaidou Go Shirai At Wendbarry  
**Reserve Best Dog:**  
IR/Int CH Tycon's Macho Man AN CH 08/09 CW 09/10



**Best Bitch:**  
Tsoyu Amaya  
**Reserve Best Bitch:**  
IR CH Wendbarry Simply Scarlet for Tycon

## Results:

**Open Dog:** IR CH Kaidou Go Shirai at Wendbarry  
**Post Graduate Dog:** Shugotenshi No Okibi Go  
**Special Junior Dog:** Nikasuko Toyohashi  
**Good Citizen Scheme Dog:** DaichiKanon

**Open Bitch:** Tsoyu Amaya  
**Post Graduate Bitch:** TsoyuAzumi  
**Special Junior Bitch:** Wendbarry Cherry Blossom  
**Good Citizen Scheme Bitch:** Tsoyu Asama



Athena (Tycon in the Limelight) was part of the KC Good Citizen display team at Crufts. The display was to show the general public what puppy foundation entailed and that training can be fun for both dog and owner.

There were three 15 minute displays over the course of the day followed by a presentation at which we received a certificate and a rosette and a one minute stay for all involved in KCGC displays from puppy foundation through to gold. Athena didn't quite manage the full minute but all in all considering she was only five and a half months old I think she did both the breed and me proud. It was a really long day for us both but an amazing experience. We have started the Bronze Award now and I just hope that we have the chance to show off at Crufts again.

*Photo: Paul Tennant, Normanton DTC*

Tokaloshi (Anshee Tokaloshi) competed in the Cani-cross race on the Friday afternoon with his running partner Inja. After a short race of 2km we came in third place.

This was Tokaloshi's first race and he did well, and is looking forward to many more successful races in the future. The 2011/2012 season is just getting underway now and it would be great to see more Japanese Akita Inu on the start line! It's the perfect sport as the dogs really love it, it's great exercise for both dogs and people, and a nice social day out for all.

More information about Cani-cross and races can be found on the website here:

<http://www.canicross.org.uk/>



## Show Report: Club Open Show 2011.

This was the second year that the club show has been held in conjunction with Birmingham City Championship Show. Once again it was a nice venue with the opportunity to enter 2 shows on the same day at the same venue. There were several new faces there which were nice to see. I hope you all had a good day and that we will see you again soon. Many thanks to Mrs Sue Dykes for judging, and we hope you also had an enjoyable day.

Most of the competitors then moved across to the Birmingham City Championship Show in the afternoon where judging started promptly as scheduled at 2:30pm.

### Results:



**Best of Breed (left):**  
IR CH Kaidou Go Shirai At Wendbarry  
**Reserve Best Dog:**  
Tsoyu Baku-go Kyoshi

**Best Bitch (right):**  
Tsoyu Amaya  
**Reserve Best Bitch:**  
Wendbarry Just My Luck



**Best Puppy in Show:** Tsoyu Baku-go Kyoshi    **Reserve Best Puppy in Show:** Tsoyu No Chisuki Go at Mauchow

### Results – Japanese Akita Inu Club Open Show:

**Veteran Dog:** U'takamaru Go Of Kamino Ken At Wendbarry **Open Dog:** IR CH Kaidou Go Shirai at Wendbarry  
**Limit Dog:** DaichiKanon  
**Post Graduate Dog:** Taiyoku Go Shun'youKenshaTsoyu (Imp Esp)  
**Yearling Dog:** Tsoyu Baku-go Kyoshi  
**Puppy Dog:** Tycon's Made To Measure  
**Special Puppy Dog:** Wendbarry Royal Occasion

**Open Bitch:** MNE ChUnsyuhimeShun'youKensha  
**Limit Bitch:** Tsoyu Amaya  
**Post Graduate Bitch:** Tsoyu Asama  
**Yearling Bitch:** Noshiro Foxy Lady  
**Puppy Bitch:** Tsoyu No Chisuki Go at Mauchow

### Results – Birmingham City Championship Show:

**Veteran Dog:** U'takamaru Go Of Kamino Ken At Wendbarry  
**Open Dog:** IR CH Kaidou Go Shirai at Wendbarry  
**Post Graduate Dog:** Taiyoku Go Shun'youKenshaTsoyu  
**Junior Dog:** AnsheeTokaloshi By Injami  
**Puppy Dog:** Tsoyu Baku-go Kyoshi  
**Good Citizen Dog:** DaichiKanon

**Open Bitch:** MNE ChUnsyuhimeShun'youKensha  
**Post Graduate Bitch:** Tsoyu Amaya  
**Junior Bitch:** Wendbarry Just My Luck  
**Puppy Bitch:** Wendbarry Just Delightful  
**Good Citizen Bitch:** Noshiro Foxy Lady

## Change to KC Code of Ethics

The club has been asked to make members aware of the following changes to the Kennel Club Code of Ethics, the club follows the KC Code of Ethics so members should ensure that they are aware of the contents of this and if there are any concerns or questions please contact the secretary on [secretary@japaneseakita-inu.co.uk](mailto:secretary@japaneseakita-inu.co.uk). The Code of Ethics can be found on the KC website on: <http://www.thekennelclub.org.uk/item/288>

The following amendment to Clause 2 of the Code has been made:

'Will agree without reservation that any veterinary surgeon who performs an operation on any of their dogs which alters the natural conformation of the animal, or who carries out a caesarean section on a bitch, may report such operations to the Kennel Club' **[Addition underlined]**

## Show Report: World Dog Show 2011.

There was a great entry of Akita's (Japanese Akita Inu in the UK) to the World Dog Show in Paris in July 2011. This included several people from the UK both for Akita's and other breeds. There were a number of demonstrations and an obedience competition in addition to the breed show. Of course there were plenty of shopping opportunities at the trade stands from both the UK and Europe.

There was a great entry of over 150 Japanese Akita Inu's, and showing started just after lunchtime.

Special congratulations to Wendy Phillips with Kaidou Go Shirai with a 2<sup>nd</sup> place in Champion Male class and the RCACIB. It's good to see a dog from the UK doing so well on an International level. Full results can be seen on the website at: <http://cedia.fr/palmares/resultats.asp?expo=1765>

## Upcoming International Shows:

### Euro Dog Show, Kortrijk

19-20 November 2011

[www.eurodogshow.be](http://www.eurodogshow.be)

**Address:**

Kortrijk Xpo  
Doorniksesteenweg 216  
B-8500 Kortrijk  
Belgium

**Judge:** Mr. Rudi Hardtmann (DE)

**Akitas:** Saturday 19/11/2011

### Brussels Dog Show

17-18 December 2011

<http://www.brusselsdogshow.be/>

**Address:**

Avenue Miramar  
1020 Brussels  
Belgium

**Judge:** Ionescu Augustin (RO)

**Akitas:** Sunday 18/11/2011

### World Dog Show

18-20 May 2012

<http://worlddogshow.oekv.at/home.html?L=1>

**Address:**

Am Messezentrum 1,  
[Salzburg](http://www.salzburg.at)  
Austria

**Judge:** Hiroshi Kamisato (JP)

Igor Selimovic (HR)

**Akitas:** Saturday 19/05/2012

### Akita Cup

20 – 22 April 2012

<http://www.jpbreedshow.it/>

West Garda Hotel  
Padenghesul Garda  
Italy

**Judge:** TBC