## Norwegian Elkhound Notes 28th November 2029

Please note that the NECGB's Hon. Treasurer, Andy Friend, has moved house to 27 Oak Tree View, Farnhan, Surrey GU9 9AG but his email address is uncharged andy.friend88@outlook.com

Apologies for the lack of notes last week but family problems took priority. I had everything ready to write up then it all hit the fan.

So here we go now. There was an excellent entry at the Nordic. The big winner of the day was Tanja Mortimer's Ch Laakso Canut who took Best Veteran in Breed then Best Veteran in Show. Best of Breed was Jill Cowper's Ch Graythor Augustus with Treena's Ch Bowerhinton Blackbird taking Res BOB. Best Puppy went to Treena's Bowerhinton Ball of Fire who obviously lives up to her name.

In Variety classes, Mel Henessey's Bowerhinton Bombette won AV Veteran, Neal Cuss won AV Open with Norvin Orkla and Treena Maun won Res BOB Stakes.

Well done all.

At Whitehaven Open Show where classes were sponsored by NEAS, BOB was Karen and Alan Gold's 1st CH Graythor At The Venetian With Llassah. After winning Special Yearling, the Golds then won Best Puppy in Breed and Hound Puppy Group 4 with Ravenheim Blue Mystique Of Llassah. There's a shortage of Open Shows with breed classes for Scottish exhibitors so it was nice to see 5 entered.

In England there are quite a few Shows in December and January that have Elkhound classes so take a look at Fosse Data and do try to support them.

This weekend Karen Gold wrote, "At Cumnock & District our young Kara had to be entered in a well filled Hound NSC Open. She delighted us by winning the class, Best NSC, Best Puppy NSC & Puppy Group 1. Thank you to judge Miss Felicity Snook. Nothing in BPIS but I was so cold by that point I just wanted the heated car seat & Kara was bored!"

In Our Dogs' Competition, Top Puppy so far is Maggie and Sally's Kamgaard Kariad. Best wishes to Maggie who has finally had her long-awaited knee replacement. Hope your recovery goes well. That's a lovely result joining their Ch Kamgaard Klementina who is currently top dog. Apart from the Lakes, everyone I mentioned last time is well on the mend. I hope you are all managing to avoid the very nasty flu virus that's so prevalent just now. When I had my final eye check-up today, there was a lady behind me who sounded ready to cough up her entire lungs. I wore a mask in the waiting room just in case but who knows whether it helped.

I hope everyone is managing to stay well and not too rushed in the run up to Christmas. Not long now to LKA. With the enormous increase in the cost of car insurance this year I wouldn't want to add travel costs to it. My husband's had tripled. I'm dreading mine two days before Christmas.

Take care everyone.

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