Report on the 2014 Italian Sieger Show
Reggio Emilia

Louis Donald reports on the Italian Sieger Show held on the 19th - 21st September 2014

(Louis is a working dog judge, SV foreign list judge, breed surveyor and past President of the German Shepherd Dog Council of Australia for 20 years)

AS WAS the case last year the show was held over three days in the small but pleasant town of Bagnolo Piano which is a 15 minute drive from Reggio Emilia.

The stadium and grounds are quite adequate for a show of this size and unlike Germany it is very easy to walk from one ring to the other and this is assisted by the show management concluding classes in a way that allows spectators to see the final judging and placings before the next class is concluded.

This is the bane of my life at the German Sieger Show where classes are concluded pretty well at the same time and you are lucky if you see never mind photograph the finale of one class.

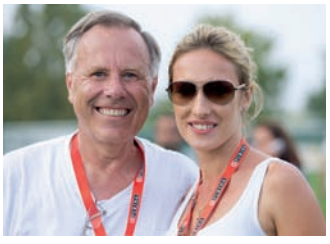
I like the way the show is run here. Even though it's a large show, now approaching 1000 entries, the needs of exhibitors and spectators is catered for and this lends itself to a very pleasant event that is well run and managed by a very capable Show Manager but the show is informal and very relaxed.

Salvatore Show Manager extraordinaire

Unlike the German Sieger Show the Italian Sieger Show is growing and when you attend the show it does not take long to see why.

Last year whilst Friday and Saturday enjoyed great weather, the Sunday and in the particular the Open Dogs were a washout – every man and his dog, judge and photographer was soaked to the skin!! So with the forecasts not looking very promising, to everyone's delight and relief whilst there were periods over the three days that had a touch of rain, on the whole the weather was lovely.

I looked forward to seeing friends from last year and



Louis and Diana Klimcenko

Italian Sieger Mentos vom Osterberger-Land

Italian Siegerin Faya vom Adelschlag

prime amongst them was Luciano Musolino and his partner Diana Klimcenko, who extended their warm Italian hospitality and could not have done more to make the visit such a pleasant one for both Gail and myself.

Another welcome friend who I convinced to attend the show was Malcolm Griffiths who was supported by the surprise attendance of Joe Summerhill.

Andrew Jones, Gail & Malcolm Griffiths

Anyone who wants to attend a large show in Europe and have a great time should not miss this one and the Australian contingent grows every year.

Last year the entry was 850 and this year it was close to 900.

Classes in Italy are:

Juniores	- 6 to 9 months
Cuccioloni	- 9 to 12 months
Giovanissimi	- 12 to 18 months
Giovani	- 18 to 24 months
Lavoro	- 24 months and over with working title and must pass the TSB

Judges:

Juniores	bitches	M Renaud
	dogs	H Wehinger
Cuccioloni	bitches	F Macaluso
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Giovani	dogs	A Woerner
	bitches	F Gazzetta
Giovanissimi	dogs	L Mantellini
	bitches	M De Cillis
Lavoro	dogs	L Musolino
	bitches	L Schweikert
LSH	all classes	G Pettinarolli

Friday sees the judging of the protection - TSB classes and the initial assessment of all young dog classes. An easy and relaxing day that concludes with the Australian contingent of some 25 people meeting for dinner at an excellent restaurant that is within a short walking distance.

Saturday sees the concluding of all the young classes and their finale by the late afternoon, assessment of the sires progeny groups and the commencement of the initial assessment of the open classes.

As I said earlier this is well co ordinated and everyone gets to see the classes conclude.

A unique feature of this show is that at the end of the day on Saturday all judges meet with the exhibitors in a pavilion and via Luciano as Chairman the young class judges give a commentary on the dogs that they judged. This is very well attended and very well received.

Hair samples being taken for scientific colour analysis

At the Italian Sieger Show on the request of the judge hair samples are taken, placed in a sealed container and sent to a laboratory to check if the hair has been colored. If it is found that the dog has had the hair colored all awards are rescinded.

Judges summation presentation to the exhibitors

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Sunday is of course the big day with the final judging of the Lavoro - Open class bitches and dogs in the main stadium and the judging of the breeder teams event separating the two.

Giovani Masci – F Gazzetta

SG 1 Cronos del Seprio

SG 2 Romero v.Bad-Boll

SG 3 Nick il Mercabah

This was a good class with 53 exhibits. No surprise of course that Cronos del Seprio was the winner.

SG1 Cronos del Seprio -Remo v.Fichtenschlag
SG2 Romero v.Bad-Boll -Enosch v.Amasis
SG3 Nick il Mercabah -Nando v.Welsetal
SG4 Ulk v.Maikhus -Landos v.Quartier Latin
SG5 Ultimo della Real Favorita -Renzo v.Holtkamper See
SG6 Nagatomo Dilaros -Barù di Croce Santo Spirito
SG7 Jordan di Castel del Rio -Landos v.Quartier Latin
SG8 Quiz di Castel Cerreto -Sony dei Colli Storici
SG9 Vasco dei Verdi Colli -Symon di Casa Massarelli
SG10 Zack v.Goldenen Strand -Barù di Croce Santo Spirito

Giovani Femmine – A Woerner

SG 1 Paris di Casa Massarelli

SG 2 Burdy v.Aurelius

SG 3 Lisa della Gens Pontina

SG 4 Vanessa Ca' San Marco

SG 5 Eden della Valle dei Rovi

SG 6 Macey v.Eichenplatz

A very good class of bitches. The winner Paris was very well balanced and a lovely moving bitch.

SG1 Paris di Casa Massarelli -Quark di Val Sant'Anna
SG2 Burdy v.Aurelius -Labo v.Schollweiher
SG3 Lisa della Gens Pontina -Landos v.Quartier Latin
SG4 Vanessa Ca' San Marco -Enosch v.Amasis
SG5 Eden della Valle dei Rovi -Saabat v.Aurelius
SG6 Macey v.Eichenplatz -Leo v.d.Zenteiche

SG 7 Helen della Bocca del Vesuvio

SG7 Helen della Bocca del Vesuvio -Unzo v.Noort
SG8 Quera di Castel Cerreto -Sony dei Colli Storici
SG9 Quenda di Poggio del Sole -Uwo dell'Alto Pino
SG10 Danka dei Murolo -Luca v.d.Wihelmswarte

Giovanissimi Maschi – L Mantellini

SG 1 Johnny Ca' San Marco

SG 2 Iliano du Val d'Anzin

SG 3 Elkan dell'Isolotto

SG 4 Eon di Casa Nobili

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SG 5 Ares dei Verdi Colli

SG1 Johnny Ca' San Marco -Remo v.Fichtenschlag
SG2 Iliano du Val d'Anzin -Iliano v.Fichtenschlag
SG3 Elkan dell'Isolotto -Renzo v.Holtkamper See
SG4 Eon di Casa Nobili -Count-Ustinov v.d.Ybajo Hoeve
SG5 Ares dei Verdi Colli -Ulivo del Rione Antico
SG6 Frodo della Valle d'Itria -Geros v.Fresumpf
SG7 Tito degli Achei -Ober v.Bad-Boll
SG8 Totti degli Achei -Labo v.Schollweiher
SG9 Neymar v.Aducht -Ballack v.d.Brucknerallee
SG10 Chicco v.Nürburgring -Ober v.Bad-Boll

Giovanissimi Femmine – M De Cillis

This was a good class of bitches with the first three being of a high standard. I particularly liked the balance and lack of exaggeration of the 3rd bitch Moana degli Achei.

SG 1 Ilary degli Achei

SG 2 Page di Casa Massarelli

SG 3 Moana degli Achei

SG1 Ilary degli Achei -Asus v.Pizzorusso
SG2 Page di Casa Massarelli -Ballack v.d.Brucknerallee
SG3 Moana degli Achei -Labo v.Schollweiher
SG4 Pedra v.Pizzorusso -Labo v.Schollweiher
SG5 Elisa v.Grande Valle Germania -Ballack v.d. Brucknerallee
SG6 Haggy Framato Rolau -Jhay do Mhuramel

SG 4 Pedra v. Pizzorusso

SG7 Cindy Crawford de Los Madriles -Ballack v.d. Brucknerallee
SG8 Bea dei Monti della Laga -Momo degli Achei
SG9 India del Murnighello -Remo v.Fichtenschlag
SG10 Gabry Ca' San Marco -Etoo aus Wattenscheid

Cuccioloni Maschi – F Macaluso

SG 1 Piros di Casa Vizzato

SG 2 Roco di Casa El-ma

SG 3 Bolt del Colle Guasco

SG 4 Bosco del Balzo Rosso

SG 5 Ferro di Casa Ugolini

SG1 Piros di Casa Vizzato -Ober v.Bad-Boll
SG2 Roco di Casa El-ma -Dux del Maglio
SG3 Bolt del Colle Guasco -Blanco Ghindero's
SG4 Bosco del Balzo Rosso -Basko della Real Favorita
SG5 Ferro di Casa Ugolini -Kofejtoi Akarat
SG6 Full dell'Emma -Alex della Valle d'Itria
SG7 Adolf di Casa Veronica -Remo v.Fichtenschlag
SG8 Max di Casa Salerno -Remo v.Fichtenschlag
SG9 Siriusmil -Bax v.Bonihaus
SG10 Eric di Casa Corvaia -Landos v.Quartier Latin

Cuccioloni Femmine – S Beggiato

This was a very nice class too with a lot of depth and I might add that I thought it was very capably judged by Sen. Beggiato. The first three bitches were lovely. The winner was a real showgirl, looked the part, and no surprise that she won the class but I did like Kiwi di Casa Massarelli very much because of her balance and fore and hind angulations.

SG 1 Margot di Casa Mary

SG 2 Kiwi di Casa Massarelli

SG 3 Orma della Valle dei Rovi

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SG1 Margot di Casa Mary -Remo v.Fichtenschlag
SG2 Kiwi di Casa Massarelli -Landos v.Quartier Latin
SG3 Orma della Valle dei Rovi -Nando v.Welsetal
SG4 Xelia del Rione Antico -Zerxis v.Osterberger Land
SG5 Ebbi v.Regina Pacis -Kronos v.Nurburgring
SG6 Huma di Casa Nobili -Geronimo v.Team Panoniansee
SG7 Quina del Colle Verde -Jerry del Colle Verde
SG8 Meghi di Casa Mary -Remo v.Fichtenschlag
SG9 Quana di Casa Pastori -Kronos v.Nurburgring
SG10 Fendi di Criselda -Fulz di Zenevredo

Juniores Maschi – H Wehinger

Grover vom Mars Italy

Marko dell'Isolotto

Nadal della Bocca del Vesuvio

This was not the best class in the show and a class of mixed quality.

1 Grover v.Mars Italy -Landos v.Quartier Latin
2 Marko dell'Isolotto -Jerry del Colle Verde
3 Nadal della Bocca del Vesuvio -Fanto del Ceresio
4 Nicholas di Casa Beggiato -Landos v.Quartier Latin
5 Safir di Casa Nobili -Kronos v.Nurburgring
6 Arum v.Bad-Boll -Ballack v.d.Brucknerallee
7 Mertens di Casa Nobili -Paer v.Hasenborn
8 Sabor v.Frosten -Labo v.Schollweiher
9 Galileo Galilei de Los Madriles -Leo v.d.Zenteiche
10 Nero dei Due Fiumi -Vello d'Ulmental
11 Kairo v.Pendler -Fanto del Ceresio

Juniores Femmine - M Renaud

1 Londra del Caiatino -Fanto del Ceresio
2 Malu' di Casa Nobili -Paer v.Hasenborn
3 Havanna v.Aurelius -Labo v.Schollweiher
4 Vega della Selva Scura -Natz di Torre San Carlo
5 Margit v.Gerianan Hoff -Memphis v.Solebrunnen
6 Natasha di Casa Beggiato -Landos v.Quartier Latin
7 Mary di Casa Palomba -Paer v.Hasenborn
8 Tina della Selva Magna -Fulz di Zenevredo
9 Nikla v.Pizzorusso -Kronos v.Nurburgring
10 Flora d'Ulmental -Kimbo v.d.Tempelhoeve

Londra del Caiatino

Malu' di Casa Nobili

Havanna v.Aurelius

Sires Progeny groups – judged by the two open class judges together, unlike Germany sires are placed in order of 'groups of merit'. This is better than one big parcel of dogs as it gives breeders some indicator of the judges opinions but the downside is that the groups may not necessarily represent the sire at his optimum level and as such knowledge of a sire is important to utilize in the exercise otherwise it can be misleading especially as a dog ages and the group diminishes in numbers and quality.

I have not made comment on the sires as I have done in Germany as on the whole I would be repeating myself from my German report in many cases. Enough to say the Remo group was excellent, Landos is a popular local dog and I was quite impressed with the still developing Enosch group and as such all the more a pity that like his father Enosch he has joined the never ending bandwagon of sales to China.

A lovely aspect of the event for spectators was the presentation of Vegas du Haut Mansard now heading toward 12 years of age and looking great.

1ST SIRES GROUP
Vegas du Haut Mansard
Remo v.Fichtenschlag
Paer v.Hasenborn
Landos v.Quartier Latin
Enosch v.Amasis

Vegas du Haut Mansard

Sires progeny Renzo vom Holtkamper – See and unfortunately since deceased

2ND SIRES GROUP
Ballack v.d.Brucknerallee
Renzo v.Holtkamper See
Sony dei Colli Storici
Saabat v.Aurelius
Quark di Val Sant'Anna

Sires progeny group - Saabat vom Aurelius

3RD SIRES GROUP
Labo v.Schollweiher
Momo degli Achei
Nando v.Welsetal
Nilo del Murnighello

Sires progeny group - Nando v.Welsetal

Gruppi di allevamento – judge L Bricchi

The breeders teams events are very well managed and orchestrated with spectators getting a real opportunity to see the dogs within the groups. The winning team 'Massarelli' was the clear winner but having said that the Italian breeders are on the ball and other teams were very impressive too.

Allevamento di Casa Massarelli

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Allevamento della Valle dei Rovi

Allevamento dell'Isolotto

1° Allevamento di Casa Massarelli
2° Allevamento della Valle dei Rovi
3° Allevamento dell'Isolotto
4° Allevamento dei Verdi Colli
5° Allevamento del Rione Antico
6° Allevamento della Genia Osca
7° Allevamento Terrae Lupiae
8° Allevamento di Turboland
9° Allevamento Villa dei Cedri
10° Allevamento dei Campi Robbiati
11° Allevamento del Sito Reale

Lavori Bitches - L Schweikert

The adult bitch class was a lovely class with 114 entries and 66 exhibited and there were some very nice bitches in it. The judge awarded 9 VA gradings and 58 excellent gradings. The Siegerin Faya v.Adelschlag was not presented in Germany and without in any way detracting from other bitches behind her she looked great and was the clear winner.

I like Ellen, she is very well constructed and a lovely colour but she is not a showgirl like Faya . Cristal is a very showy bitch too and like Ellen she received a VA in Germany but for me she is too deeply angulated behind. The two Pedra's were well placed last year in the young bitch class in the same relative order and it was nice to see them do so well and Pedra degli Achei who is a very strong bitch was sold during the show to Australia.

For the English interest no doubt Malcolm Griffiths noticed Ellie vom Veneze at V10.

VA 1 Faya v.Adelschlag

VA 2 Ellen di Casa Nobili

VA 3 Cristal di Casa Massarelli

VA 4 Tosca d'Ulmental

VA 5 Pedra del Caiatino

VA 6 Nataly v.Pizzorusso

VA 7 Pedra degli Achei

VA1 Faya v.Adelschlag x Vegas du Haut Mansard
VA2 Ellen di Casa Nobili x Enosch v.Amasis
VA3 Cristal di Casa Massarelli x Gin v.Frankengold
VA4 Tosca d'Ulmental x Cobra d'Ulmental
VA5 Pedra del Caiatino x Landos v.Quartier Latin

VA 8 Quenny v.d.Rochele-Ranch

V 1 Fenia Ca' San Marco

VA6 Nataly v.Pizzorusso x Paer v.Hasenborn
VA7 Pedra degli Achei x Etoo aus Wattenscheid
VA8 Quenny v.d.Rochele-Ranch x Zamp v.Thermodos
V1 Fenia Ca' San Marco x Fimo Ca' San Marco
V1 Conny della Valle d'Itria x Vegas du Haut Mansard
V2 Quiri dei Profeti x Taris dei Profeti
V3 Una del Frutteto xPaer Blue-Iris
V4 Bolla del Rione Antico x Vegas du Haut Mansard
V5 Mary degli Achei x Vegas du Haut Mansard
V6 Ina delle Antiche Muse x Sony dei Colli Storici
V7 Ciwi del Gupo x Vasco del Gupo
V8 Herta di Poggio del Sole x Homar dei Colli di Uzzano
V9 Baby x Rolex degli Achei
V10 Ellie v.Veneze x Zamp v.Thermodos
V11 Boogie v.Webachtal x Digger v.Elzmundungsraum
V12 Cristal del Colle Guasco x Vegas du Haut Mansard
V13 Terka della Genia Osca x Sony dei Colli Storici
V14 Senta del Seprio x Etoo aus Wattenscheid
V15 Ellen di Terra Scura x Icon v.Bad-Boll
V16 Cleo di Casa Massarelli x Gin v.Frankengold
V17 Afrik del Timius x Zamp v.Thermodos
V18 Ivett v.Bad-Boll x Pizzarro v.Bad-Boll
V19 Simba dell'Alto Pino x Carlos dell'Alto Pino
V20 Lara Team Gaudi x Ulivo del Rione Antico

Lavoro Dogs - L Musolino

A very good class with some very nice dogs in it. Four of the dogs exhibited were graded VA in Germany two weeks earlier. Based on masculinity, strength and substance personally I would have had Groovy in front of Iliano but then that's splitting hairs and there are many considerations that went into this decision I am sure. Mentos looked the part just as he did in Germany and Kronos performed very well too.

In a final count of 76 dogs exhibited Luciano awarded 45 excellents and 12 VA's which was only one short of Germany and this was not out of place.

A disappointment was the poor gaiting performance of what is a lovely dog Renzo v Holtkamper See and this may be related to his lower position and his later unfortunate demise.

Something that I noticed during Luciano's initial examination was that a number of dogs that failed in the protection class presented a veterinary certificate as they do in Germany. To exhibit a dog who fails in this class means no grading so just as happens in Germany the owner goes to the vet and gets a certificate to say the dog is sick, or that it has injured itself. The dog is then withdrawn, does not get ungraded and does not run at the end of the class on the Sunday and as far as the records show the dog was sick. In

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just about every case after getting the owner to run the dog around the ring and assessing the dog as being well Luciano refused to accept the certificate! This was a very public demonstration of someone who takes their position as a judge and as President seriously.

VA 1 Mentos v.Osterberger Land

VA 2 Ballack v.d.Brucknerallee

VA 3 Kronos v.Nurburgring

VA 4 Iliano v Fichtenschlag

VA 5 Groovy di Casa Massarelli

VA 6 Djambo v.Fichtenschlag

VA 7 Kimbo v.d.Tempelhoeve

VA 8 Dux del Maglio

VA 9 Ulivo del Rione Antico

VA 10 Alex della Valle d'Itria

VA1 Mentos v.Osterberger Land x Nando v.Gollerweiher
VA2 Ballack v.d.Brucknerallee x Figo Hagadahls
VA3 Kronos v.Nurburgring x Enosch v.Amasis
VA4 Iliano v.Fichtenschlag x Remo v.Fichtenschlag
VA5 Groovy di Casa Massarelli x Vegas du Haut Mansard
VA6 Djambo v.Fichtenschlag x Iliano v.Fichtenschlag
VA7 Kimbo v.d.Tempelhoeve x Cobra d'Ulmental
VA8 Dux del Maglio x Homar dei Colli di Uzzano

VA 11 Jehu Primo Grande

VA 12 Renzo v.Holtkamper See

VA9 Ulivo del Rione Antico x Vegas du Haut Mansard
VA10 Alex della Valle d'Itria x Ziko della Vignazzola
VA11 Jehu Primo Grande x Fulz di Zenevredo
VA12 Renzo v.Holtkamper See x Negus v.Holtkamper See
V1 Momo degli Achei x Vegas du Haut Mansard
V2 Basko della Real Favorita x Wulkano v.d.Jahnhohe
V3 Blanco Ghindero's x Homar dei Colli di Uzzano
V4 Zabak v.Bad-Boll x Icon v.Bad-Boll
V5 Oscar dei Verdi Colli x Paer Blue-Iris
V6 Jerry del Colle Verde x Vegas du Haut Mansard
V7 Yndios d'Ulmental x Tyson v.Köttersbusch
V8 Messi degli Achei x Vegas du Haut Mansard
V9 Hoogan degli Achei x Fanto dell'Alto Ofanto
V10 Don di Casa Maiorano x Vegas du Haut Mansard
V11 Ruy x Ferro v.d.Hohenzeile
V12 Aron di Valmadrera x Gin del Frutteto
V13 Unkas v.Osterberger Land x Mentos v.Osterberger Land
V14 Spedypizza x Quebec di Val Sant'Anna
V15 Reale del Seprio x Arex v.d.Wilhelmswarte
V16 Fimo del Ceresio x Homar dei Colli di Uzzano
V17 Odin di Villa Andrei x Clark di Casa Lupo
V18 Arko della Grande Valle x Ziko della Vignazzola
V19 Olaf dell'Isolotto x Uwo dell'Alto Pino
V20 Vello d'Ulmental x Vegas du Haut Mansard

So that was it. The show finished for another year and only thing left to do is have a few drinks with friends and look forward to next year same place same time.

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