

# On July 25 & 26, 2009 in Liege, 55<sup>th</sup> Golden Dog Trophy, 8<sup>th</sup> Golden Lead and 6<sup>th</sup> Golden Groomer.

2009



## 55<sup>th</sup> Golden Dog Trophy

The **Golden Dog Trophy** will take place the weekend of July 25 and 26 in the Exhibition Halls of Liege. In parallel to the dog show, the Syndicat d'Elevage Canin of Liege, organizer of the event, also proposes, the **Golden Groomer**, a grooming competition, the **Golden Lead**, a handling contest and a great exhibition on the topic "**the Dog in the Art**".

## Golden Dog Trophy

In 2008, about 1800 competitors originating from 15 countries and representing more than 200 different breeds took part in the Golden Dog Trophy. For the 55<sup>th</sup> edition of the Golden Dog Trophy, the Syndicat d'Elevage Canin de Liege, organizer of this great event, have invited 24 judges of 15 different nationalities to come to Liege and officiate to award the certificates necessary to obtain of the official titles of Belgian Champion and International Champion.. This year, nearly 2000 dogs would be present.

## Golden Lead

At the same time as the individual judgements, the 8<sup>th</sup> edition of the Golden Lead, a handling competition open to the young people and the adults, will be

proposed with the public. During this " Show Handling " competition, the judges evaluate, not qualities of the dog, but the mastery shown by the handler.

## Golden Groomer

Moreover, for the sixth successive year, the Golden Groomer, an international grooming contest, will be organized simultaneously with the Golden Dog Trophy. This contest will bring together participants of all Europe and the jury appointed to rank the competitors will be composed of experts whose competencies in the discipline are recognized all over the world. A category "Beginner" will welcome candidates taking part for the first time in a grooming competition.



## The Dog in the Art

Finally this year, a great exhibition named "the Dog in the Art" will be proposed to the public. The purpose of this exhibition is to emphasize the talent of famous and less famous artists having illustrated dogs in their works. For all those who like Art or the dog, it represents an opportunity not to miss.

## For the visitors, many animations

Between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m., on both Saturday and Sunday, various demonstrations of obedience, working performance and dog dancing will be proposed to the public, as well as several animations especially intended for the children. At the stand of the S.E.C., the visitors will be able to get information about the breeding and to be explained all what is necessary to know before acquiring a pup. The visitors will also have the opportunity to obtain from breed clubs, breeders and exhibitors present at the show, information specific to the education and the maintenance of their preferred breed. On this matter, it should be known that each breed participates only one of the two days. It is thus recommended to pay attention to the program of the event. Important also to know that only dogs entered for the dog show will have access to the exhibition hall.

## To know some more:

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Exhibition Halls of Coronmeuse,  
from 9 a.m. till 5 p.m. on July 25 & 26, 2009  
Entry fee: Adults: 6€ - Children: 1€



## Saturday July 25, 2009

- Group I : Sheepdogs and Cattle Dogs (Belgian, German Shepherds, Briard, Beauceron, Bouvier, Bobtail, Collie, Schipperke, ...)
- Group V : Spitz, Husky, Alaskan Malamute, Pharaoh, Chow Chow, Akita, ...)
- Group VI : Scenthounds and related breeds (Bloodhound, Beagle, Dalmatian,...)
- Group IX : Companion and Toy Dogs (Poodles, Chihuahuas, Bichons, Griffons, Shih Tzu, Chinese Crested Dog, ...)
- Group X : Sighthounds (Afghan, Borzoi, Greyhound, Whippet, Irish Wolfhound, Saluki, ...)

## Sunday July 26, 2009

- Group II : Pinscher, Schnauzer, Doberman, Swiss Cattle dogs, Saint Bernard dog, Mastiffs, Boxer, ...
- Group III : Terriers (Yorkshire, Westies, American Staffordshire, ...)
- Group IV : Dachshunds
- Group VII : Pointing Dogs (Pointer, Setters, Continental Pointing Dogs, ...)
- Group VIII : Retrievers - Flushing Dogs - Water Dogs (Cocker, Labrador, Golden Retriever,...)