

Introduction judge Bas Bosch:

Bas Bosch's first serious experience with pedigree dogs started when he was sixteen years old. He became a kennel hand in one of the most established and well known Mastiff kennels in the Netherlands (Sanguis Nobilis) owned by Bert van de Vorst. He was an excellent teacher. Both him and his good friend Louis van de Meeren, an internationally respected Bloodhound breeder, were very influential in developing his eye for a dog and teaching him about dog husbandry. They also influenced his decision to start breeding Bloodhounds, later followed by Mastiffs. Under the Bardolynn's prefix Bas bred also other breeds like Basset Hounds, Bullmastiffs, Dandie Dinmont Terriers, French Bulldogs and Pugs. In all these breeds except one he has owned and bred champions. In Bloodhounds, Mastiffs and Pugs he also bred and owned Clubwinners.

Over the years Bas Bosch has been active in various Dutch breed clubs as a committee member/president. The latter function he had in the club for Bloodhounds, Bulldogs, Deerhounds, Dogues de Bordeaux, Mastiffs and Pugs.

Professionally dogs have played an important part in Bas Bosch's life too, but then as an author/editor/publisher. He was for more than ten years editor-in-chief of the then leading Dutch monthly 'De Hondenwereld'. His publishing house BBPress is internationally renowned for his high quality dog books. From the early beginning of his judging career until this very moment he feels privileged to judge at those events in literally all parts of the world where normally only breeder-judges officiate, the championship breed club show of the respective national breed clubs, often more than once. As well as the breed club shows, he has judged at most of the important day title all breed championship shows in Europe, including some European and World Shows. Other shows to mention are: four times at Crufts, the Centenary Breed Club Show of the French Bulldog in the Netherlands, of the Bulldog in South Africa and in Norway.

Basset Hounds:

Me getting familiar with Basset Hounds went easily and smoothly, in the early eighties already, when I started breeding Bloodhounds, the direct relative of the Basset Hound after all. Quick enough a few litters of Basset Hounds were bred in my household, followed by judging them on a regular base, till this very day enjoying their unique looks and extra charming personalities; so gentle and easy going.

I have judged them in the Netherlands (Amsterdam Winners included) and Belgium (the national championship breed club show twice), Germany ('Bundessieger' and jubilee show celebrating 25 years national breed club), Spain, Portugal, Italy, Sweden, Finland, Estonia, Poland, Russia (national championship breed club show twice), Ukraine, Australia (national championship breed club show), United States and Great Britain (three times on open show level and CC at Midland Counties). To be followed by judging the 40<sup>th</sup> jubilee show of the Dutch Basset Hound Club, which I experience as a special present in my 40<sup>th</sup> year of judging at championship show level.