

I am so thrilled for David and Deborah of Dragonpatch in the USA, and Phil Bitter and Rachel Noij of Holland, on the thrilling BOB (32 Cardigans) and Reserve Best in Show win of 11 month old brindle boy DRAGONPATCH BIG PAPA FOSTER at the Corgi specialty Show in Paris, France. Well done to all concerned. I wish I could have been there.

I am so proud of my kids Simon and Milly for producing this gorgeous boy, along with Dave and Debbie's own winning girl "Jolie" (AM. CH. Dragonpatch Amoretta Joliette). Simon and Milly are well known to corgi folk in NZ through their achievements while here. My sincere thanks to the local judges on this list who placed them highly, particularly Margaret McArdle for Milly's 2nd BISS, Dr Bruce Robertson for one of her RBISs, Robin Robertson, Lesley Chalmers and Alex McQuire for three of Milly's many Group placings, and to Joy Macauley and Gayle Bassett for 2 of Simon's Group wins.

Foster is extremely closely bred on my old Copperleaf lines but I would like to take this opportunity to publicly thank those people who contributed to Foster's success by graciously allowing me the use of their stud dogs. Firstly, Jean Clarke, whose AUS & NZ Ch. Memini Hot Doggy Dino was Simon's sire, AND was also sire of Milly's double grand-dam Copperleaf Mari Gold. I am indebted to you, Jean. And my thanks to Pauline Jessup whose NZ Ch. Blue Grass Quiz Master is Milly's grandsire. Others have contributed over the years but these are the most recent and I regard the most influential.

Thank you to all these good people.....we all share a part in Foster's thrilling win in Paris.

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