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2. Encourage members and breeders to accept the Breed Standard as approved by FCI and AKC as the standard of excellence by which all Basset Fauve de Bretagne must be judged.
3. Strive to protect and promote the interests of the breed and to encourage good sportsmanship behavior at all dog competitions, tests and trials under the rules and regulations of the AKC and BFDBCA.
4. Conduct sanctioned shows, educational seminars and other events under the rules and regulations of the AKC and BFDBCA.
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Q. What grooming is required?

A. Some Basset Fauve de Bretagne have more coat than others. Both are correct if the coat is coarse. Combing weekly with a fine-tooth comb followed by brushing with a boar bristle brush and frequent nail trims are all most dogs need. Longer dead coat can be plucked or stripped twice a year.

Q. Do Basset Fauve de Bretagne shed?

A. Some shedding occurs but if groomed regularly it is minimal.

Q. Do they smell?

A. When they find a skunk in the briar patch or they roll around in horse manure, Basset Fauve de Bretagne require bathing. Typically, Basset Fauve have little or no odor.

Q. Do they have health problems?

A. Basset Fauve de Bretagne are very healthy little dogs. In Europe and in the US few problems have been reported such as; minor skin allergies, cardiac issues, epilepsy, hypothyroidism, limp tail syndrome (a temporary sporting dog syndrome), and glaucoma. In the US, health problems are rare with the genetic marker for glaucoma having been identified & seasonal allergies being the most worrisome. When cared for Basset Fauve de Bretagne can live to be 16 years old or older.

Q. How much exercise is required?

A. Basset Fauve de Bretagne minimally require a good brisk walk twice daily. They are not content to be banished to a fenced yard as they are very social and intelligent. They much prefer to be an important member of the family pack and with some exercise, are willing to snuggle for hours.

Q. Are they noisy?

A. Typically, Basset Fauve de Bretagne are not nuisance barkers. They will alert you to company at the door and readily give voice when a rabbit is spotted.

Q. Are they easily trained?

A. Basset Fauve de Bretagne are very intelligent! They excel in performance events such as nosework, obedience, agility, tracking, search and rescue and weight pull, as long as they believe it is their idea. They have soft temperaments, a stubborn streak and respond best to positive reinforcement.

Q. Why should I spay my dog?

A. Spaying/Neutering eliminates heat cycles, hormone driven humping, wandering, unwanted puppies, testicular infections, cancer, and the continuation of genetic medical condition. Mammary Gland Cancer seldom develops in dogs spayed before 2 years of age.

Q. Will spaying/neutering make my dog fat and lazy?

A. No. Obesity is caused by excessive calorie intake. Weight can be controlled by proper feeding and exercise.

Q. Will spaying/neutering change my dog's personality or intelligence?

A. No!

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