

Medlemmar berättar

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A look back upon summer time in Hungary



Photo Karl Westman

Not without a visit to a ridgeback kennel

This summer me and my fiancé let a quick decision lead to a booking for a holiday in Budapest and standing at Arlanda-Stockholm airport I realized that there might be a ridgeback breeder close by to where we were going. Only a phone call away to Sonja Nilsson, Roseridge kennel, I got a tip that Melinda Kertész and Ferenc Gödény, owner of a Hungarian kennel named Bulawayo Baobab recently had been in contact with the Swedish Rhodesian Ridgeback Society informing about the Hungarian RR link collection, www.ridgeback.lap.hu.

Installed and fed at the hotel we looked for the kennel on the Internet and found that it was situated in Pest County, only a short trip away. I contacted Melinda over the phone and with a very short notice she and Ferenc opened their home for us. On arrival we got happy “doggie” greetings from all three bitches, Alíz, Ango and Baya running free in the backyard.

Harta Szépe Azari aka Alíz is a rehomed pet bitch by Goodline Steff Dingaan out of Goodline Steff Kasuli. CH African Berbera Ango 2005 NKSZ Clubwinner is Bulawayo Boabab’s foundation bitch by Napfényes Charlie out of

Goodline Steff Kabanga, a line breeding into African Fata Morgana Zulu sired by Besal Fatoka.



Ch African Berbera Ango

Bulawayo Baobab's first litter was born mid June, 2005 out of Hungarian Champion African Berbera Ango by Multi champion Ascot Alta Mirano. They kept one promising bitch, Bulawayo Baobab Bahiya aka Baya, in a litter of twelve puppies. Baya has already proven her quality by becoming Junior Champion of Hungary, Middle East European and Hungarian Grand Prix Junior Winner 2006. From this litter the kennel also kept two dogs, Hungarian Junior Champion Bulawayo Baobab Bemba aka Nuba and Junior

NKSZ Club Winner 2006 Bulawayo Baobab Banga.

We were really lucky in timing our visit with the fifth week of Ango's second litter. Melinda's and Ferenc' choice of stud dog for this litter was Karoskloof Mack's Jamir ,2004 Holland Club match winner, with great-great grandfather wellknown CH Globe's Roving Red Regent aka Clay. To top this occasion we also learned that one of the girls in this litter was to be exported to Sweden. Of course, for me with a passion for showing puppies, it was now impossible to leave without a little photo session.

The Bulawayo Baobab Kennel also has a young imported bitch, Dahme Ranua aka Akiba from Ranua Kennel, Czech Republic, by Ch Dabobo Malozi (import to Czech Republic from Finland) out of Ceylles Cartouche.

Thank you, Melinda and Ferenc for a very nice time meeting you and your hounds!

Very hot weather, sightseeing, fantastic food, spa and on our way home two printed ridgebacks was looking my way from the newspaper stand at the Hungarian airport. There'll be no reading of the text but the pictures are universal. Imagine finding a newspaper in colour all about ridgeback the very last thing you do before boarding!

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The picture is showing the newest Bulawayo generation co-owned Bulawayo Baobab Cyrah aka 'Kira' Karoskloof Mack's Jamir x CH African Berbera Ango

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Bulawayo Baobab Bahiya



Read more about the Bulawayo Baobab dogs at www.bulawayobaobab.hu/index.html

Notice

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Bulawayo is the second largest city in Zimbabwe former Rhodesia, after the capital city, Harare. Bulawayo is the hub of the province of Matabeleland which comprises the whole western Zimbabwe from the South African border in the south to Victoria Falls (one of the wonders of the world) in the north. It houses the country's main museums, theatres, the Mzilikazi Art and craft centre, Khami Ruins, The Matobo Hills (where Cecil John Rhodes and as well as King Mzilikazi are buried), Matobo National Park and the Chipangali wildlife orphanage. It has been said that visitors to the city describe Bulawayo as the "Jewel Beneath the Zimbabwe Sun".

Bulawayo was the capital of the Ndebele State when Lobengula, son of the King Mzilikazi, ascended to the throne. Lobengula's initial royal town, established in 1872, was located about



Bulawayo Baobab Celia - soon to be walking on the streets of Stockholm

Photo: Karl Westman

The **baobab** (*Adansonia*), or monkey bread tree are a genus of eight species of trees, native to Madagascar (the centre of diversity, with six species), and mainland Africa and Australia (one species in each). The species reach heights of between 5–25 m (exceptionally 30 m) tall, and up to 7 m (exceptionally 11 m) in trunk diameter. They are noted for storing water inside the swollen trunk, with the capacity to store up to 120,000 litres of water to endure the harsh drought conditions particular to each region. The leaves are common as a leaf vegetable throughout the area of mainland African distribution, including Malawi, Zimbabwe, and the Sahel. They are eaten both fresh and in the form of a dry powder.

Baobabs are also used for bonsai (the most popular being *Adansonia digitata* – African Baobab (northeastern, central & southern Africa)).

Rafiki, in *The Lion King*, makes his home in a baobab tree. Rafiki (means "friend" in Swahili) is an anthropomorphized mandrill who first appeared in the Walt Disney Pictures animated film *The Lion King*. He lives in a baobab tree and is old and wise. He performs activities which are often shamanistic, but also sometimes quite silly. Rafiki provides important counsel to the adult Simba when the latter is trying to determine his destiny.

14 miles of the present day city, on a ridge dominated by the Thabas Inyoka - "hill of serpents". This town has been rebuilt and is known as "old Bulawayo". Lobengula eventually moved his royal town, and the locality of the modern Bulawayo city was chosen by King Lobengula and he also named his royal town Bulawayo, which is the Ndebele word for "the place of slaughter", in recognition of an armed struggle that Lobengula was involved in when he ascended to the throne, i.e. "He was being opposed and persecuted by his opponents- and he came out victorious".

