



American Pomeranian Club, Inc.

# The Pomeranian Review

Published Bi-Monthly

April / May, 1995



ALDEN'S CAJUN SPICE O' WOODROSE

Alfred and Barbra Boehmer  
Present

# Starlite Moonman



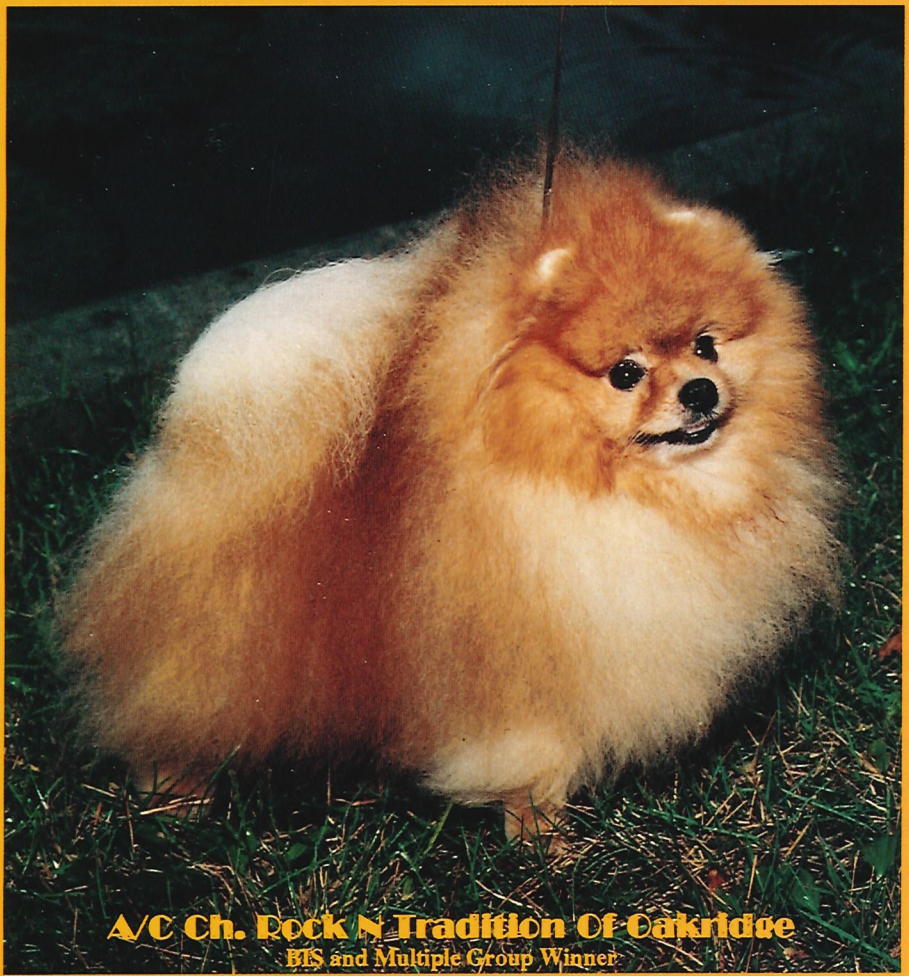
"Sammie," our first Pom (sired by Starfire's Altar Boy and out of Silverwood's Strutting Ashley) is a 4 1/2 pound, sound, typy bundle of showmanship. He is pictured placing at the National Specialty show in a large 9 to 12 month class under respected judge Michelle Billings.

The following weekend, he went Best of Breed under Mr. Tom Baldwin. Watch for Sammie in the near future!!

**OWNERS:**  
Al and Barbara Boehmer  
3348 3rd Street  
Oceanside, NY 11572

**BREEDER:**  
Bess P. Roberts  
15802 Letcher Road  
Brandywine, MD 20613

# OAKRIDGE



**A/C Ch. Rock N Tradition Of Oakridge**  
BIS and Multiple Group Winner

Jake again wants to congratulate his four kids that finished in '94 as well as four that have already finished in '95.

- Ch. Kneisler's Nicki's Tradition
- Ch. Chas-T-Dee's Peppermint Patty
- Ch. Chas-T-Dee's Born To Show
- Ch. Valhalla's Rock N Roll of Oakridge

Congratulations to Maria Kneisler (sorry I'm late Maria) and to Jeanne and Robert Blank on their Kennel Visits.

Nina K. Epps  
Route 5, Box 150

Nixa, MO 65714  
(417) 725-5658

## Contents...

President's Message (Dolly Trauner).....	7
Secretary (Bev Henry).....	8
Annual Meeting (Bev Henry).....	9
Membership Report (Jerrie Freia).....	11
Performance News (Lois Morkassel).....	13
Helpful Hints (Margaret McKee).....	18
Canals Run Through It (Melissa Dahlenburg).....	20
New York, New York (Jean Schroll).....	21
Specialty Report (Bev Henry).....	22
VIP Awards (Judy Shearer).....	25
Entry Comparison (Bev Henry).....	27
Survey of Quality Control.....	29
Top Show Dogs (Diana Downey).....	31
Central Carolina Pom Club (Dot Martin).....	32
Kennel Visit (Jeanne Blank).....	51
Top Poms List (Jean Schroll).....	56
Ursula's Canine Kitchen (Ursula Taylor).....	57
Puget Sound Pom Club (Janell Reich).....	60
Animal Recovery Program.....	63
Behind the New Titlists.....	64
It's a Stealie Man (Julie Clemens).....	65
Yips & Yaps.....	66

### NOTICE

The Pomeranian Review is sent to Judges.  
Featuring your winning dogs in the  
National magazine will pay off!

Beginning with the next issue, we  
expect to have VISA card services for  
those who wish to use them.

### KENNEL VISIT

June...Dianne Johnson (Silva Lade)

## Cover Story



**Alden's Cajun Spice O' Woodrose**

"Spice," just one week out of quarantine, wins a 5-point major under respected judge Mrs. Anne Rogers Clark from the puppy class. Spice is sired by Ch. Alden's Rudy Valentino and out of Alden's Miss Kiskey. He is only nine months old. Watch for him with his handler/owner Yvette. They make a great team.

Mahalo goes to his breeders, Al and Janet, for allowing us to have him, and to Nadine for introducing us to these wonderful people.

Mahalo again for our two new puppies, Brass and Kopper. You will be hearing about them when they get out of quarantine. We are so-o excited to have these poms and hope they will make you happy--Al and Janet.

Ch. Jan-Shar's Bad Bad Leroy Brown, at just over a year, was BISS at the Pomeranian Club of Greater Des Moines under judge Mr. Richard Miller. He was shown, as usual, by Nadine Hersil.

### NOTICE

We now have a FAX. The number is:

**(806) 257-3760**

Business Card contracts are available  
at \$50.00 for 6 insertions. Take advantage  
of this low rate.



# The Pomeranian Review

of the  
**American Pomeranian Club, Inc.**



### Officers of the Club

President ..... Dolly B. Trauner  
 First Vice-President ..... James Shearer  
 Second Vice-President ..... Charlotte Creed  
 Recording Secretary ..... Beverly Henry  
 Corresponding Secretary ..... Tim Goddard

Rt. 2, Box 540; Opelousas, LA 70570-0540

Treasurer ..... Al Williamson  
 POB 4207; Pineville, LA 71361-4207

AKC Delegate ..... Sam Zaneoff

### Board of Directors

Mary Allan    Jeanne Blank    Linda Brogoitti  
 Sharon Masnick    Margaret R. McKee    Frances Stoll

### Pomeranian Review

Editor ..... Dudley Roach  
 Box 416; Earth, TX 79031; Phone: (806) 257-3817 FAX: (806) 257-3760

Business Manager ..... Marie Carlough  
 8 Rowland Avenue; Blue Point, NY 11715; Phone: (516) 363-9524

Subscriptions ..... Brenda K. Hutton  
 R102 Tudor Lane; Lansing, MI 48906; Phone: (517) 485-5183

Back Issues ..... Margaret McKee  
 2426 Sandy Hook Road; Goochland, VA 23063; Phone (804) 556-3380



#### Subscriptions

**6 Issues per year**

3rd Class subscription ..... 30.00  
 Foreign ..... 45.00  
 First Class ..... 35.00  
 Single Copy ..... 6.00

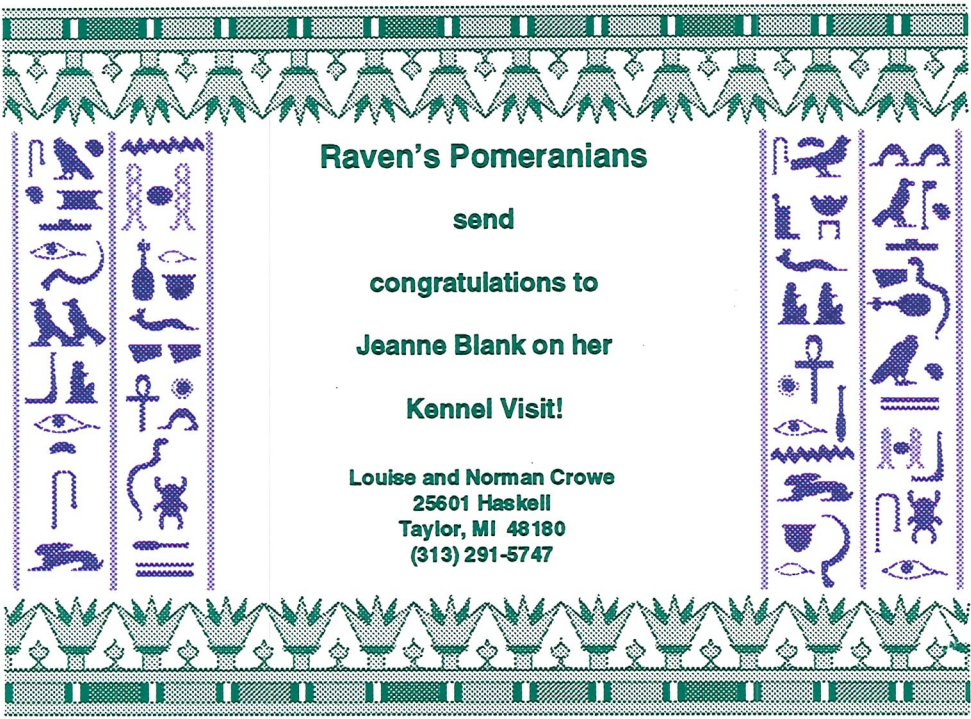
Full Page ..... 65.00  
 Half Page ..... 40.00  
 Quarter Page ..... 20.00  
 Photos (each) ..... 10.00  
 Front Cover, B/W ..... 150.00  
 Color ..... 375.00  
 Back Cover, B/W ..... 90.00  
 Color ..... 250.00  
 Inside F/B Cover ..... 80.00  
 Color ..... 195.00  
 Center Spread ..... 160.00  
 Color ..... 390.00  
 Business Card ..... 10.00  
 Color Stripping on B/W page ..... 15.00  
 Inside Color Page ..... 150.00

#### Deadlines

Issue	Ad Deadline	Date
Dec/Jan	Nov 20	Dec 15
Feb/March	Jan 20	Feb 15
Apr/May	Mar 20	Apr 15
June/July	May 20	June 15
Aug/Sept	July 20	Aug 15
Oct/Nov	Sept 20	Oct 15

**Some flexibility possible in deadline. Prior notice required.**

**Reservations and Deposit required on all Covers**



**Raven's Pomeranians**

send

congratulations to

**Jeanne Blank on her**

**Kennel Visit!**

Louise and Norman Crowe  
25601 Haskell  
Taylor, MI 48180  
(313) 291-5747



**Congratulations**

to our friend, Jeanne Blank,

on her well-deserved

**Kennel Visit!**

Jim and Judy Shearer  
and the  
**CRYSTAL POMS**

523 Miller Avenue  
Sugar creek, OH 44681  
(216) 852-4136



# MORENO'S POMERANIANS

Moreno's proudly introduces...



## Moreno's Dandi Lioness (Bamboo) (Ch. Moreno's Dandi Lion x Moreno's Honeysuckle Rose)

**Bamboo**, in her first show, won Best of Breed under Judge Frank Sabella at the prestigious Golden Gate Kennel Club. In her second show at Santa Clara, she won her first major under Judge Mr. Joe C. Walton.

She was breeder/owner/handled by **Julie Moreno**. Co-owner is **Alice Lessard**. Our special thanks go to **Vonnie** and **Alice** for all of their help in training.

**Congratulations to Jeanne and Robert Blank on their Kennel Visit!**

*Our belief is that quality is the result of intelligent effort....*

**We feed and recommend Science Diet**



## MORENO'S

(415) 583-4973

## POMERANIANS

After 10 a.m. our time, please.  
By appointment only.

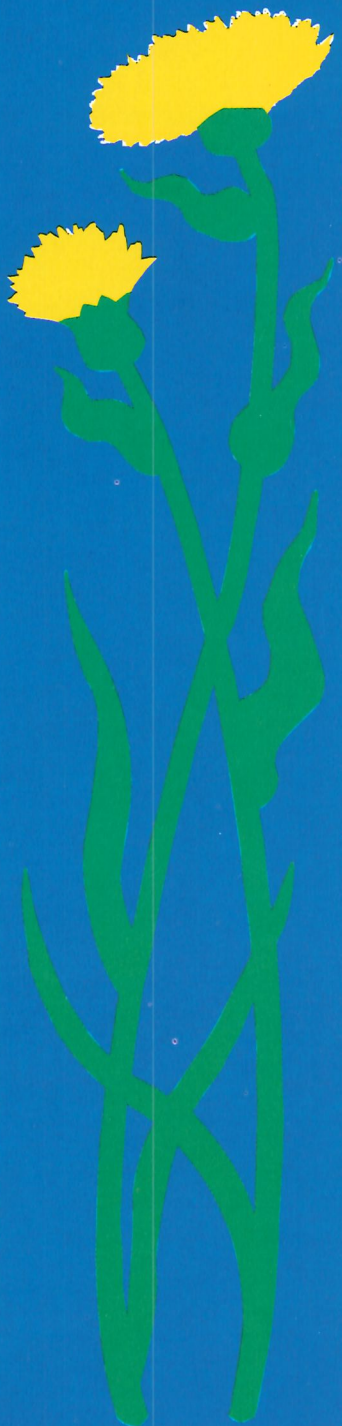


## *Forever Yours Pomeranians*

Thank you,  
Jeanne and Robert,  
for  
sharing your successful  
breeding program  
with me!  
Thank you  
for the  
fun times  
at the  
National Specialties.  
Absolute's Little Miss Magic  
followed me home from  
New York  
and is  
my latest  
puff of love!

**-Marge Kranzfelder-**

**(415) 572-0149**





## President's Message

by Dolly B. Trauner  
(Fax: 415-567-2250)

We've rolled up our sleeves and gone back to work! As more of our members become involved with various aspects of the club, the need to communicate is expanding. If you have Fax capability, please make a note to Jerrie Freia to add "Fax" under your homework phone in the Roster. If you wish to have it known that you are doing Pom Rescue, please let Jerrie know so an "R" can be added under your kennel name in the Roster. You should also give this information to Diana Downey, APC National Rescue Coordinator: 10106 James Madison Hwy.; Bealeton, VA 22712-9723; phone: (703) 439-2239.

Deadline for members to be listed in the Roster was March 1st. Those of you who have not paid your dues by that date will not be listed. In addition, the Board made it a Standing Rule to add \$5.00 for late dues, to cover the extra cost of book work.

A grant of \$3,000 was voted for the purpose of financing a two-month research and study this fall by Dr. Carol Foil of Louisiana State University. She is the board-certified veterinary dermatologist who gave the talk on "black skin" disease at the La Cajun Pom Club in October. This study will be undertaken in conjunction with Dr. Clinton D. Lothrop at Auburn University, board-certified dermatologist who is also a geneticist and a microbiologist. The purpose of this study is to try to better define the disease entity, and better establish its exact mode of inheritance. At present, a number of conditions resulting in hair loss mimic one another; these include hypothyroidism, contact dermatitis, ring worm demodectic mange, other infections of the skin, and Cushings Disease, as well as "Black Skin." Until a disease can be defined and reliably diagnosed for what it is--and until its mode of inheritance can be reliably established, an open registry, such as the Institute for Genetic Disease Control (GDC) is not an option for control or abatement of the problem. The GDC had already explained that to me when I contacted them last year.

There are no quick fixes available! Any solution to the Black Skin problem is going to take time, and is going to cost money for research--perhaps a lot of money! So be prepared to make your contributions to these costs when they are called for.

The entire club must surely join me in appreciation for the hard work and dedication of those members of the Board and Chairmen of the many committees who have mainly been responsible for the smooth running of our club during the past two years.

We are grateful to Emily Untalan, as 1st Vice President, for the fresh viewpoint she often contributed to our deliberations. She did not run again, and we shall miss her.

As one of only two men on the Board, Jim Shearer lent the value of his business acumen to aid the healthy growth of the Pom Review and the Treasury. Thank goodness we can continue to receive his help now in his new role as 1st Vice President.

Special thanks to Beverly Henry as Recording Secretary. She has done a meticulous job each month of preparing and mailing out the agenda which forms the basis of the Board's business; we should bless our stars that Bev has agreed to shoulder this job for the new Board.

Thanks to Fran Stoll, who as Corresponding Secretary, kept the river of correspondence flowing smoothly between APC and the rest of the world. We will miss her in that capacity, but she will still be giving us the benefit of her wisdom as a Director on the current Board.

Al Williamson, (a.k.a. Mr. Moneybags) has kept us well informed every month of just where we stand financially. It takes a certain kind of person to get excited enough about lists of figures to want to keep working with them. Thank heaven for such a person, and we all owe a big thank-you to him.

We continue to owe thanks to Sam Zaneoff for his faithful attendance as our Delegate at all AKC gatherings. As our representative "at court" he has regularly consulted our Board on how we wish him to cast our vote in the deliberations of the Delegates' body.

Brenda Segelken has begged off after four years of answering the AKC 900-Puppy Referral number. It was a very important job, but not one that was readily apparent to our members. It was well-served by Brenda, and she is due warm thanks from all of us.

A very special thanks is due Jerrie Freia for the nearly four years she has served as Membership Chairman, and for her ready willingness to continue in this demanding position. The job entails much more than simply getting out the Roster once a year; it is a nearly monthly job of processing the membership applications reaching us through Jerrie. She is the liaison between the applicants and the Board. It requires bookkeeping to account for the money received, tact in dealing with the applicants' questions, and special skills in decoding the sometimes esoteric handwriting on application forms! Thank you so much, Jerrie, for your careful and always reliable work.

Olga, what can we say! As the "voice" of APC to the public, via the pages of the *Gazette*, you continually give to the world a picture of our best foot forward. As a one-time columnist myself, I know that it gets difficult to continually come up with new and engaging materials as you have so magically been able to do. You are a fixture we would be loath to lose; bless you for consenting to keep up the good work.

Without a Circulation Manager,...well, without one I don't even want to think what we would do! And to have one with the dedication and expertise of Brenda Hutton is to be assured of a smooth operation of an essential part of publishing a national magazine! More recently, Brenda has shown a special talent with her computer; she plays on that machine like an artist at a Wurlitzer organ, whipping out lists of new and defunct subscribers by states, in alphabetical order; by zip codes; by members versus non-members--just name it, you've got it! She recently got scanning facility and will be creating the letterheads for all new members of the Board. And to think she is willing to take all this on for another two years just plain "makes our day!" Thank you a whole heap, Brenda.

It isn't for lack of appreciation that I fail

to name here the many other Chairmen and helpers who have given their time and talents to the functioning of this club. Your contributions have been noted, and are deeply appreciated. It's just that Dudley will run out of room if I list every one who deserves it! ☺

## Recording Secretary Annual Report

by Beverly M. Henry

The majority of our work in 1994 involved the revision of the By-Laws, unfortunately prolonged and complicated by motions to correct spelling and/or grammar. The final version will be sent to AKC shortly, when the three items they asked for re-wording on are finalized and sent back to them. You will then be asked to vote on it again.

Our club is healthy and growing--34 new members were approved.

An important item we approved is that all licensed Pomeranian clubs are being asked to send a copy of their slate of officers along with a membership list to the Corresponding Secretary immediately following their annual meeting each year. Wanda Roach has been appointed regional Member Club liaison to try to develop a better relationship with these clubs. Non-licensed clubs are asked to send the same information.

The Pom Review has a new printer and judging from the last two issues they are going to do a spectacular job for us.

This was also a year of unrest. Perhaps because it was an election year. A lot of accusations were made, most of them either untrue, misinterpreted or massaged into something faintly resembling the facts, such as the fuss about who actually mailed the ballot for the By-Laws revision. I would like to quote (by permission) a note Fran Stoll wrote to the Board, for inclusion in a recent agenda:

*"Thank goodness for the opportunity to delegate! In this world of much 'busyness,'*

## Annual Meeting

February 11, 1995

MINUTES

by Beverly M. Henry

*I find that I must delegate more and more at home, on the job, and even with my hobby. As some of you know, this past year I had the opportunity for a job promotion; but with that promotion came the stipulation that I study for my Masters Degree. I accepted the opportunity and enrolled in school, realizing that I had one more year in my term as Corresponding Secretary. This past year has been very hectic but with the assistance of many friends, I have survived and am very grateful to all. Since the Constitution and By-Laws revision and Ballot were ready to be mailed out at the same time that the Nominating Committee's slate was to be sent, I was very grateful for assistance. Yes, I realize now that it would have been smarter to put the ballot on my letterhead and stamped my return address on the envelope; then, no one would know who actually stuffed and mailed the envelopes. What really is the issue? Is it that the job was done incorrectly or is it something more personal? As Margaret states, if this is unconstitutional, then the dues mailing and roster mailing are also unconstitutional; yet these mailings are not being questioned. I am very committed to honestly and correctly complete the duties of my office. Please, let's remember what really is the business of this board and the objects of our club and put personal issues aside; then, we are really promoting our wonderful breed and this club!"*

Not much can be added to what Fran says other than the facts which are:

a. As a working member of the committee, Dolly already had the By-Laws on her computer.

b. Al Williamson has a printer with prices none of us can even come close to.

c. The revised By-Laws and ballot were sent out to the membership in a manner which was a "good business practice" and created hardship on no one.

I think you all have elected an excellent group of officers to run your club for the next two years. They are listed elsewhere in this issue, so I am not going to list them here. ☺

The meeting was called to order by President Trauner at 7:30 pm. The following members were present: Pamela Yongen, Warren Yongen, Judy Shearer, Valerie Landers, Julie Moreno, Jerrie Freitz, Mary Vickers, Jane Lehtinen, Linda Brogoitti, Diana Downey, Melissa Dahlenburg, Christine Caplan, Marshall Hartman, Joyce (Dembinsky) Tyler, Jim Rayner, Jackie Rayner, Rose Keller, Judy Green, Suzanne Berney, Tony Tellez, Susan Goddard, Olga Baker, Darrell Baker, Darrell Stoll, Jim Hattori, Jeanne Blank, Robert Blank, Jean Schroll, Joyce Urban, Donna Machniak, Donna Megenhardt, Richard Megenhardt, Carol Galavich, Margaret McKee, Fran Stoll, Dolly Trauner, Beverly Henry, Al Williamson, Jim Shearer, and Tim Goddard. Visitors were: Barbara Moore, Pat Miller, Thelma Dunn, Judy Mehcz, Lael Ellis, and Matthew Heindl. It was determined there was a quorum.

Dolly introduced the old Board, then the new Board. She also announced that Sam Zaneoff will again be our AKC Delegate and Diana Downey will be Rescue Contact.

The ByLaws are being worked on and should be concluded by the end of the Board meeting tonight.

Judy Shearer will continue as Awards Chairperson.

Renee McGrath will be Health and Genetic contact.

Wanda Roach will be Regional Clubs contact.

Jerrie will continue as Membership Chairperson.

Margaret McKee will be Obedience contact.

Public Relations will be combined with Public Education Contact.

Olga Baker will continue as AKC Gazette columnist. Anyone who wants to be a guest columnist is encouraged to contact Olga.

Bess Roberts will continue as keeper of the Pom Shoppe.

Brenda Hutton continues as Circulation Manager.

Marie Carlough continues as Business Manager.

Minutes were deferred. A copy is at the head table if anyone wants to read them.

**Treasurer's Report:** Al said that Total Receipts for 1994 were \$55,702.57. Total Expenditures were \$45,980.15, so we made a total of \$9,722.42. He reported a balance of \$30,927.33 at the end of December, 1994 and a balance of \$38,105.01 at the end of January, 1995. He commented that that balance will not stay there when he finishes paying bills for this show.

Dolly announced that the Pom Review has reduced rates for exhibitors at this show. You can get a \$15.00 discount on a black and white page or a free color stripping. Best in Show gets a free full page black and white, or \$50 off full color full page ad.

**Corresponding Secretary's report:** She signed approvals for Pomeranian Clubs to hold 22 specialty shows; wrote 22 letters to clubs, members, AKC officials, and other requesting information as directed by the Board; received and tallied 152 ballots for the 1995 and 1996 APC Sweepstakes judges and the 1996 Regular classes judge; received and tallied 239 ballots for the APC 1995-96 election; mailed ballots for the APC Specialty Sweepstakes judge and Regular classes judge and 1995-96 election to all APC members; received and tallied 123 ballots for approval of the Revised Constitution and ByLaws; sent Information Booklets and/or lists of breeders in response to 355 requests for information;

forwarded Public Education Information, Judges' Education information, changes of address and subscription requests to appropriate chairpersons and received 147 pieces of mail from vendors, members, AKC, etc. the contents of which were reported monthly to Board Members.

Dolly said that the Information Booklet has really caught on. It is wonderful for puppy buyers or club events. Contact Al Williamson for copies.

## Committee Reports

**National Rescue Coordinator,** Diana Downey--she thanked Dolly for letting her volunteer for this job. She has compiled a list of known to her people who have ever handled rescue work. She asked everyone to take a look at her list and see if she has the right names so she doesn't send callers to the wrong person.

Charlotte Creed has agreed to take on the role of **Standard Revision Committee**, assisted by Linda Brogoitti, Lorinda Vasuta, Sharon Masnick, and possibly Jackie Stacy. All have been contacted except Jackie, and it is hoped she will be at the show tomorrow. If she is not willing or able to accept the position, Estelle McDonald is the alternate. The breed standard committee will be instructed to report to the Board on a regular basis--at least every two months. Several years have been wasted on this project.

**Show Chairman Report** --Jean Schroll--Everything is going pretty well. Everyone seems pleased with the trophies. Entry is 130 dogs, 213 entries.

**Membership Committee**--Jerrie Freia --In process of accepting renewals. If anyone has changed address, please let her know. We have 34 new members this year. There are 47 people who have not paid dues so far.

Mary Vickers asked if APC was going to do anything at all about Agility and possibly establishing an award for it. This falls under Margaret McKee's Obedience committee.

**Gazette Columnist--Olga Baker--**She welcomes guest columnists; just let her know.

Dolly said that a video tape of Dr. Carol Foil's presentation in New Orleans at the Summer Specialty on the severe hairloss syndrome has been running all day in the hall outside the ballroom. She said she has been in contact with both Dr. Foil and Dr. Renee McGrath, DVM (who was Dr. Foil's instructor in college) to try to develop a plan for research on this problem. The Board has approved a donation amount up to \$3,000 to help finance a 2-month sabbatical for Dr. Foil to go to Auburn University to study under Dr. Clint Lothrop who is a Veterinary Dermatologist, and now heavily involved in microbiology research leading to the identification of individual defective genes, primarily interested in diseases of the skin in particular. The mode of inheritance is not really known. That is one of the things we need to settle and it is not known whether Poms are unique as opposed to similar problems of other northern breeds. Dolly has also written to Dr. Hirtzo at AKC who is chairman of the committee established to handle the million dollar fund for canine research. He replied that with time, we may be able to get matching funds for this problem. Diana Downey asked if there would be interest in submitting pedigrees of rescue dogs that are found to have this problem. Dolly said this has to be worked out yet. At present, the plan is to have Board Certified Veterinary Dermatologists hand out forms requesting pedigrees to be sent to a central clearing house on dogs diagnosed with the problem. These pedigrees must have validity--they must have black skin disease, not something that mimics it.

### Unfinished Business

None.

### New Business

Tim Goddard said he would like to thank everyone who attended the New Orleans specialties in October, and to remind

everyone that their second show will be on May 26 in conjunction with the new Orleans specialty clubs in Baton Rouge. There will be 3 all-breed shows that weekend (Memorial Day weekend).

Judy Green, from the Baltimore Pomeranian Club, wanted to remind everyone that they are hosting the Summer Specialty this year along with their own show. The shows will be held on September 4, 5, 6 in Frederick, MD. The theme is "The Greatest Show on Earth" and the trophies are all handmade and gorgeous.

Dolly announced that the Board approved the Phoenix club's bid to host the 1990 Summer Specialty show. They don't know the date yet as they still were in the process of obtaining a show site, but we will be informed soon.

Dolly also said that there had been some rumors that some unnamed young man was her "yes man" so she introduced the "yes man." A puppet with cute sayings. Everyone had a good laugh.

There being no further business, Warren Yongen moved to adjourn seconded by Darrell Stoll. ☺

## Membership Report

by Jerrle Freia  
1072 A Landry Road  
Morgan City, LA 70380  
(504) 384-7466

Letters (other than those from sponsors) commenting on applicants whose names have been published in the Review are to go to Beverly Henry; 2025 Sam Houston, Carrollton, TX 75006. She needs them so that she can convey the contents to the Board members being asked to vote on said applicants. If they go elsewhere, they may be delayed and not reach the Board before they are to vote on acceptance/rejection.

The Board has recently voted to approve a new membership application form. This one incorporates sufficient space for both

sponsors to answer the usual questions and add additional remarks about the applicant.

There is no longer any geographical restriction. Replacing actual separate letters from each of the two sponsors will be their endorsement on the form itself. The new form is printed on buff paper to distinguish it from all older forms. Copies of the new application form can be obtained from the Membership Chair.

### **New Members for 1995**

**Carmen Blankenship**  
405 N Shady Lane  
Southlake, TX 76092  
(817) 481-6485  
FAX (214) 259-1684  
**Sponsors:**  
Charlotte Creed  
Erika Moureau

**Steve and Jill Cookston**  
6509 Briarknoll  
Garland, TX 75043  
(214) 226-2644  
**Sponsors:**  
Mildred Patrick  
Olga Baker

**Becky Sanbourin**  
2814 Blackhurst Road  
Midland, MI 48640  
(517) 832-3408  
**Sponsors:**  
Jeanne Blank  
Marge Kranzfelder

**Neil R. and Sharon Ponte-Carvo**  
2200 N White Avenue  
Pomona, CA 91768  
FAX: (909) 593-8915  
**Sponsors:**  
Sharon Hanson  
Daniel Ontiveros

### **New Applicants**

**Fabian Ariente**  
23750 SW 142nd Avenue  
Miami, FL 33144  
(305) 257-2818

**Sponsors:**  
Sam Zaneoff  
Julie Moreno

**Jose A. Cabrera**  
23750 SW 142nd Avenue  
Miami, FL 33144  
(305) 257-2818

**Sponsors:**  
Sam Zaneoff  
Mary Vickers

**Thelma M. Dunn**  
3400 Carvale Drive  
Aberdeen, MD 21001  
(410) 879-5397

**Sponsors:**  
Linda Brogoitti  
Jane Lehtinen

**Mathew J. Heindl**  
1500 Bancroft Drive  
Sudbury Ontario, Canada P3B 1R3  
(705) 566-7999

**Sponsors:**  
Marit Hattori  
Julie Moreno

**Mary Linger**  
Rt 1, Box 87-R  
Janelewe, WV 26378  
(304) 884-7435

**Sponsors:**  
Sharon Hanson  
Jeanne Blank

**Betty R. Wrixon**  
1904 Nuna Place  
Honolulu, HI 96821  
(808) 377-5221

**Sponsors:**  
Marit Hattori  
Josephine Ching ☺



## Performance News

by Lois Morkassel

1412 Second Avenue South

Fargo, ND 58103

(701) 280-1413

It's always something, isn't it? At a show last fall, a fellow obedience exhibitor passed a warning. She had heard that water dishes attached to crates and ex-pens are vulnerable to someone adding anti-freeze to the water dishes. I haven't heard any more about this, but please be aware that there are some very sick people out there.

I was thrilled to get a letter from Ann Griffith about the down and sit stay whining problem. The solution she offers is clearly spelled out. Better yet, this is a wonderful way to teach the stays in the first place. By training the stays this way, a lot of future problems can be avoided.

I especially appreciate the positive way of training or re-training that is stressed.

This is in response to the question posed by a reader in your October issue column regarding the dog who was barking and whining during stays. The writer mentioned a number of types of corrections that had been used in an attempt to solve the problem, but noted that they seemed to make the problem worse. As a professional obedience instructor and competition trainer, I have worked with lots of dogs with this problem. The following is a system for solving the problem in a positive way which builds the dog's confidence and will give the trainer confidence that the problem will not suddenly and inexplicably return.

### Back to the basics

Any time one is having a training problem, a necessary step is to review the basics. This is sometimes hard to remember to do when a dog has been exhibiting desired behavior for a long time and then suddenly loses the behavior, but it is at that time that the basics become especially important.

## Learning Law #1

The most important rule of training--what I like to call "Learning Law #1"--is something we all know: behavior which is reinforced or rewarded will get stronger. If we want to increase the frequency of a behavior, we need to reward that behavior. In the same vein, if the animal is exhibiting a behavior and continues to exhibit that behavior, that behavior is being reinforced.

When a dog barks or whines during stays, it is usually doing so because it wants its owner to return to it and had discovered that making noise causes the owner to return. Sometimes the dog's motive is lack of confidence, in other cases, it is because of the dog's natural desire to be close to its owner. Rarely, but occasionally, it is because the dog is dominant and gets a kick out of summoning its owner to its side. The dog's motive doesn't really matter. What matters is that the owner needs to reinforce wanted behavior (quiet) and ignore unwanted behavior (noise).

### Why correction makes it worse

In the case of the noisy dog whose noise level increases with correction, the dog is being reinforced for making noise when the owner returns. The owner feels the dog should understand that when it makes noise and the owner returns to correct the dog, the dog could avoid the correction by being quiet. Obviously, the dog in question, and in fact many dogs, simply fail to make the connection. (They aren't rocket scientists, folks!) The connection they do make is that when they make noise, the owner returns. What happens after the owner returns doesn't matter to the dog. To people, this is a ludicrous proposition because we make the connection in a heartbeat. A few dogs make the connection, but a lot just don't, or want the owner badly enough that they don't care what happens after the owner gets back.

In fact, correcting a dog who is noisy because of insecurity will make the matter worse. Look at it from the dog's point of view: "I'm frightened when my owner is

away from me, and I feel safe when my owner is near. If I make a lot of noise, my owner returns immediately, but after she gets to me, she corrects me. Now there is no safety anywhere, so to relieve my stress, I need to scream a lot!"

### **To go forward, you need to go backward**

To retrain this dog, one needs to firmly fix Learning Law #1 in one's mind, along with the principle that when one has a training problem, one needs to back up to the point where the dog is successful, reinforce that, and then proceed. Depending on how bad the problem is, the owner may need to go all the way back to beginning stay training. Yes, this dog knows how to stay in one place, but it does not know how to do so quietly, which is a central feature of the exercise. Even if it used to know how to stay quietly, it does not know how to do so now.

Go back to the point where the dog is quiet while sitting. That may be when the owner is standing beside the dog. Great! Reinforce that behavior with praise, treats, and a big release. Then do it again. Repeat until the dog will sit quietly beside you for at least a minute.

### **Proceed slowly--the tortoise wins the race**

Now put the dog on a stay, move your right foot forward as if you are going to leave, then immediately return, praise and release. Repeat several times. Then take one step away, immediately return, praise and release. Then take two steps, return, praise and release. Then three, then four, etc. GO SLOW! Do not push the dog to the point where it begins to make noise. This process may take days or weeks, depending on the dog. Be patient. Remember: you'll get the behavior you reinforce.

### **OOPS!**

What if you go too fast and the dog begins to make noise? This is a critical

point. If you goof here, you'll set your training back a long way. DO NOT RETURN TO THE DOG! Do NOT go back and correct the dog. Just stay where you are and wait for the dog to stop making noise. Don't glare at the dog, don't whisper to the dog, don't make any rude gestures, don't give the dog any commands--just stand there as neutrally as possible. Don't even look at the dog. Wait for silence. If that takes an hour, fine. Just wait. When the dog stops making noise, rush to it, praise and release. Now you must go back to the point where the dog was not making noise and reinforce that more before going further.

What if you are standing there patiently waiting for the dog to stop making noise and the dog breaks and comes up to you? Quietly take it back to where it was, place it in a sit and give it a mild stay correction. This dog is probably insecure, so a big correction will increase its insecurity and make it more likely to be noisy and to break. Now go only to the point where it last succeeded and reinforce that success several times before proceeding.

If you proceed too rapidly and get the dog barking or whining when another person is present, you can use an alternate strategy to waiting for quiet. You can ask the other person to quietly release your dog from its stay and put it in its crate. You need to walk away at that point so the dog gets the idea that noise does not get you to return.

### **The three variables of stay training**

When training stays, you are confronted with three variables: distance, duration, and distraction. To succeed, you need to alter one variable at a time. If you alter more than one variable at a time, the dog will fail. Like I said, they're not rocket scientists!

For all of the initial training you will train in a familiar, low-key environment to minimize distractions. As you slowly get farther and farther away from the dog, you will naturally be slowly adding time. When you have reached a ring's width distance from your dog, you can begin slowly adding time, perhaps in five-second increments. When your dog can sit quietly a ring's width away from you for a minute or



two, you can begin adding distractions--jumping, clapping, squeaking a toy, playing a loud tape--whatever your imagination can dream up.

When your dog can handle distractions, you can begin working the dog in unfamiliar locations--BUT--you need to back up in your training. Go half the distance of a ring and return immediately to praise. Go half the distance of a ring and wait 10 seconds, then return. And so on. Break it down to its smallest possible components and train each component before moving to the next level.

When your dog can handle a ring's width for a minute or two under distractions, begin to overtrain. Make the distance more than a ring's width, then add more time, then more time, then duck in and out of sight, and so on. If you are training for Open, you'll need to start adding out of sight time slowly, always rewarding quiet and avoiding going beyond the dog's ability.

Only when you have successfully overtrained the behavior you want in distracting situations should you start taking your dog to matches. Remember, this dog has had lots of failures at matches. Your goal is to make every match a total success. Start with sub-novice even if your dog has a CDX. Tell the judge you will be rewarding your dog during the stays and do so. When your dog can do a successful sub-novice match stay, go to matches and enter novice, but don't go the whole distance of the ring and do reward during the stays. Gradually add time and distance at matches until your dog can do an entire novice stay at distance. Only when your dog has successfully performed at several matches should you even consider entering a show.

### **The dog achieves its goal--and so do you**

What you are doing by using this method is teaching the dog to achieve its goal, i.e., owner's return, by being quiet rather than by being noisy. As with any training exercise, you need to break it down to its smallest possible components and make

sure the dog is solid on each component before you move to the next level. Anytime the dog fails, do not correct the dog. Just make sure it doesn't achieve its goal by failing, then back up and solidify the lower level before moving on.

The only role for correction in this program is correcting yourself when the dog fails. I often tell my students the proper use of lemon juice is when your dog makes a mistake, squirt it in your own mouth and say, "Bad owner! Bad owner!"

### **Summary**

In summary: you will get the behavior you reinforce. Any behavior you are consistently getting is being reinforced. Dogs learn to succeed by succeeding. It is never a mistake to back up in training, and is essential if you are having a problem. Break every training exercise into its smallest component and train each one. Always look for ways to make the dog succeed, rather than look for failure to correct.

### **How to learn how to train a dog--train a Pom!**

Poms will teach you a lot about dog training because they are so clever and quick to learn. They are also endlessly creative and will throw many different behaviors at you. If you want a good laugh read the section of Karen Pryor's *Lads Before the Wind* where she describes attempting to train an otter. It's a lot like training a Pom and explains many of the truly strange things Poms will do to you in the ring. Having an obedience Pom is as unique as well as a uniquely humbling experience. As Linda Gallacher and I often say to each other outside the ring, "Oh well, at least we got 'cute' points."

Thank you, Ann, for taking the time to write and share your experience. For those of us who train alone and those who are looking for alternatives to available training methods this sharing of information is invaluable.

Does anyone else have training tips to share? Don't wait for a specific question. Perhaps in your own training you have come across a problem and worked through it. Please share those hints. There are many ways to reach a goal. Something that works well for one person may not work for another. That is why sharing is so important. The more options one has for a problem, the more likely a person is to find a solution that they can use.



**Can OTCH, U-CDX Kassel's Dandelion Down UD, AD, ROM, CGC**

I get to brag again this issue. Dande earned her AKC Utility Dog title in October. She is now: Can OTCH, U-CDX Kassel's Dandelion Down UD, AD, ROM, CGC. We showed in 19 shows, starting the last weekend in April and ending in the last weekend in October. She earned her title in 16 shows. We train alone, which explains our scores and the number of shows. But we did it! We are working on UKC's UD and will try for UDX legs as long as Dande wants to. She is 11 years old. (Didn't somebody say something about teaching old dogs new tricks?)

New Obedience Titles from the January and February issues of the AKC Awards Magazine:

### UD

**Kassel's Dandelion Down UD** (bitch) owned by Lois Morkassel and bred by Betty Jo Mason. The scores come from Utility A: 175.5, first; 181, first; 172.5, 2nd; and 179.5, 2nd.

### CDX

**MC's Chocolate Dawn Kaci Bear CDX** (bitch) owned and bred by Martha Chastain. The scores come from Open A: 195, 2nd; 188.5; 197.5, first; 191, 4th; and 193.

**Ch. Pomirish Chance's Dina-Mite CDX** (bitch) owned by Sally Baugnet and Patricia Krause and bred by Sally Baugnet. The scores come from Open B: 190.5.

### CD

**Exmoor's Mr. Beau-Regard CD** (dog) owned by Julie Howard and bred by James Hupp and Francis Wright. The scores come from Novice A: 189, 3rd; 192.5, first; and 180, first.

**Jeribeth Prisilla CD** (bitch) owned by Tracy Patton and bred by Olga Baker. The scores are from Novice B: 181; 191.5, 3rd, and 182.5.

**Sasha Pomeroff CD** (dog) owned by Pat Cummings and bred by Rita McElwee. The scores come from Novice A: 172.5; 187, first and HIT at the Des Moines Specialty; and 171.

**Tinytales Princess Leia** (bitch) owned by Helene Brossard and bred by Diane McWhinnie. The scores come from Novice B: 182.5; 186; and 194.

**Ch. Val's Little Mighty Mouse CD** (dog) owned by Valerie Landers and bred by Pam Gault. The scores come from Novice A: 173.

**Van Hoozer's Classical Melody CD** (bitch) owned by Pat Cummings and bred by Velva Van Hoozer. The scores come

from Novice A: 195; 182.5, first; and Novice B: 172.

**WK Sky's the Limit CD** (dog) owned by Patricia Simmons, an ILP dog. (Is there a story here?) The scores come from Novice B: 187; 183.5; and 180.

Congratulations to all the new title holders! Few breeders showing obedience. That makes these breeder/owner titlists very special. Kudos!

It is wonderful to see ILP Poms earning titles. If anyone knows any of these owners or their stories, please let me know. I think their stories could be fascinating.

Just from the little record keeping I have been doing this last year, Poms have been showing at all levels in all parts of the country. The Awards Magazine only lists those who earn qualifying scores, so we don't know how many more Poms may actually be competing out there. For a "non-obedience" breed, our Poms seem to earn a good number of titles.

Many Obedience Pom trainers have to get past a prejudice against small dogs. It is helpful to talk to and watch other small and "non-obedience" breeds in the rings. Talking with the handlers can be a great source of encouragement to keep on trying.

Exhibitors with Poms (and other small dogs) have to have a great relationship with their dogs. They have to believe that their Poms can and will work as well as other dogs entered at the shows. Even though the "pre-ring nerves" may be intense, these trainer/handlers have a lot of self-confidence. A lot of this is due to their dog's ability and willingness to work for them. (Yes, self-confidence! It takes that to enter a show!)

I think many obedience exhibitors show and work for titles because the relationship that is formed with their Poms during training is so special. The training process is an exciting process of communicating. Training and working through problems can be a very satisfying experience.

Congratulations to all title holders! I hope you find more goals to work toward with your Poms.

The first Pomeranian to earn an AKC Agility Title is **Ra-Joy's Dixie Darlin** CDX, NA (bitch) owned by Carol Fatherson and bred by Ann Smith. The scores come from Novice B in the 8" division: 100, first; 100, first; and 100, first.

Congratulations to Carol and Dixie on their Novice Agility Title. What a way to enter the record books! All perfect scores and first places in their height division. It is great to see a tiny Pom able to compete and do it with such style!

The AKC Agility Rule Books are available from the AKC at 5580 Centerville Drive, Suite 200; Raleigh, NC 27606-3390. Single copies are free, additional copies are \$1.00 each.

The AKC has 4 agility titles: Novice Agility (NA), Open Agility (OA), Agility Excellent (AX), and Master Agility Excellent (MX). The words "Agility Dog" are carefully omitted from the titles because USDAA holds a registered trade mark on all their titles in regular and non-regular classes in the USA. "Agility Dog" is a distinguishing feature in all the titles. This information came from the President's Letter (column) by Kenneth Tatsch in the Dec 1994, "USDAA Dog Agility Report" (sm).

1994 USDAA Titles from the Feb, 1994 issue of "USDAA Dog Agility Report" (sm).

**Agility Dog (AD) (r)**

Foxy (12" division) Beverly Tautou  
3/26/94.

**Master Agility Dog (MAD) (r)**

Cody (12" division) Laura Yarbrough  
3/26/94

**Gamblers Master (GM) (sm)**

Cody (12" division) Laura Yarbrough  
11/12/94

(This is a new title, just available this year. 5 other dogs earned this title--all of them Border Collies!)

**Snooker Master (SM) (sm)**  
**Cody (12" division) Laura Yarbrough,**  
1/6/94

**Junior Handler-Beginners (JHB) (sm)**  
**Scotch, Cassandra Jensen, 4/24/94**

Congratulations! This is the most competitive and arduous form of agility for both the dog and handler. the USDAA style is designed to be a world-class competitive event. The accuracy and speed which the log and handler teams must accomplish is remarkable. It is great to see Poms sound enough to meet the stiff requirements.

\*\*\*\*\*

The USDAA has offered the Agility Dog (AD) (r), Advanced Agility Dog (AAD) (r) and Master Agility Dog (MAD) (r) titles since 1990. In 1994, these non-standard class titles were added: Gamblers Master (GM) (sm), Jumpers Master (JM) (sm), Snooker Master (SM) (sm), and Relay Master (RM) (sm). A Veteran Agility Dog (VAD) (sm) is also offered. Junior Handlers can also earn titles with their dogs: Junior Handler-Beginners (JHB) (sm), Junior Handler-Elementary (JHE) (sm), Junior Handler-Intermediate (JHI) (sm) and the Junior Handler-Senior (JHS) (sm).

An Agility Dog Champion (ADC) (sm) will be conferred upon a dog who earns the Master Agility Dog title and each of the 4 non-standard class titles demonstrating their mastery of the sport. No dog has earned this title in 1994.

Poms earned one AD and one MAD in 1994. From 1990 to 1994, Poms have earned 7 AD's, 2 AAD's, and one MAD.

\*\*\*\*\*

Congratulations to Alice Lessard and her Border Collie Rivendell's At Whits End CD for their 5th place in Novice at the 1994 Gaines National Dog Obedience Championship in Pasadena, CA, on November 19th and 20th. Alice has fantastic working Poms and must have entered the wrong breed! Congratulations on your wonderful teamwork. They only

lost 7 points out of the 600 possible to earn this prestigious placement.

Until next time....

There's JOY in Pom-de-monium! ☺

## Helpful Hints

by Margaret R. McKee  
2426 Sandy Hook Road  
Goochland, VA 23063

Okay, folks, let's try this again. If you want to start or renew a subscription, contact the Circulation Manager (currently Brenda Hutton). If your magazine is late or didn't come, contact Brenda. If you want extra copies or other back issues, send me a check made out to the American Pomeranian Club. Please be specific about which issues you want. You can't ask for any copies that have Old Yaller in it because I have no master list to tell me that. I'd have to research--translation: rummaging around in the boxes in my basement and looking through all those old copies, and frankly, I don't get paid that much!

**Question--**should we send free replacement copies to people who: (1) are late renewing their subscriptions? (2) go to their winter homes and don't get their mail forwarded? (3) move and forget to notify Brenda of their address change?

Remember Ursula Taylor's list of phone numbers for suppliers? Liz Russell, of Murphy, Texas, kindly sent these updates. Dogs Weathervanes, 800-635-5262, must not have canine supplies. They were puzzled when I called. The number for Kennel Vet Showroom is (516) 783-5400. Thanks, Liz.

## First Aid

I've been really surprised to learn that most people don't carry any first aid supplies with them to shows. Everybody should have a first aid kit for both people

and dogs. I have first aid kits in the car, in my tack box, and in my overnight bag so that basic supplies are nearby at all times. Basics include band-aids, analgesics (ibuprofen or aspirin) for adults, baby aspirin for dogs, thermometer, antiseptic, antibiotic ointment. In the tack box, I carry canine eye ointment, anti-motion sickness pills, diarrhea medicine for dogs, diarrhea/upset stomach tablets for humans, and antihistamine. It is a simple matter to make yourself a first aid kit. Use a metal candy container or a discarded child's lunch box for a container. Add items you think you might need. Add to it from time to time.

### **Carsickness**

I have always used Bio-Sol M for carsickness, as well as for any kind of doggy digestive upset. But since it is no longer manufactured, I couldn't recommend it to you. (Lucky me, I had just bought a pint when the government banned it because it "wasn't proven to be effective!") When a client delivered a Norwich Terrier to me to show, she brought his car-sickness pills, broken in half and taped to a piece of cardboard. It was Bonine, an over-the-counter people medicine. It worked great, so I decided to try it on Dallas, who got terribly carsick. Three hours after arriving at the show grounds, she would still be drooling and miserable. I gave her 1/4 tablet 20 minutes before putting the Poms in the van. It worked! No drooling; she felt fine. No need to redose before leaving the show site. It lasts all day. As with any medication, check with your vet first.

### **Leads**

If you are like me and show several Poms, you probably like to put the leads on, fold them up, and secure them with a rubber band at the back of their necks. The trouble with this is that many of the clever little devils manage to pull the bundle of folded lead around in front of them and then chew on it. Pam Campbell (now Dziuk) showed

me a nifty way to make them leave the bundled lead alone: when you put the rubber band around it, include a few strands of fur. So simple, yet so effective.

If you want some tiny, multi-colored rubber bands, find a teenager who wears braces. They always have extras they'll be glad to give you.

### **Good Advice**

Speaking of Pam, she gave me some wonderful advice that has helped me many times. I was furious with the judging. My little Bred-By dog had showed his heart out for my daughter in Winners Class while the Open Dog, upset about something, had kept his tail down throughout the class. You guessed it! The judge put up the Open Dog. I was fuming and sputtering. "Now Margaret," said Pam in that delightful North Carolina drawl, "if it meant so much to you to win, you shouldn't have entered under her!" I cracked up. She was so right. I knew that woman wasn't a good judge, so I really had no reason to complain. I've had several occasions since then to recall Pam's words. It reminds me that I made the decision to enter under this judge and to keep my loss in proper perspective. Thanks, Pam, for helping me keep a sense of humor.

### **Nose Mites**

Have you ever had a dog lose the hair on top of his muzzle? It happens gradually, so you usually don't notice at first. The hair loss begins at the nose leather and extends toward the stop, so the dog ends up with a black triangle of bare skin with the apex pointing at the stop. Rather unsightly, but easy to fix. It apparently is caused by a mite, which I suspect is activated by stress such as weaning, teething, or going to shows. Just treat it with an application of anything that will kill fleas. I dip a cotton swab in Sevin powder and pat it on the top of the muzzle once a day for three days. It is possible that fewer applications will do the trick, but I want to be sure. The hair will regrow quickly.

## Pomeranian Hair Loss

I am glad we are discussing Pomeranian disease or black skin syndrome or whatever you choose to call it. This problem was hidden away and talking about it was taboo or far too long. Positive, constructive sharing of information is essential to finding a solution. But two things about some of what I've been reading are distressing to me. One is the irresponsible name-calling, finger-pointing, and accusation-hurling that has gone on. This helps no one! It can only hurt the breed and the individuals who engage in such unethical behavior. I have seen things in print that no lady or gentleman should say. Please, folks, before you open your mouth or put pen to paper or sign on the Internet, think. What are you trying to accomplish? Will this help the breed? Will it inform or enlighten? Or are you only going to hurt the reputation of some dog or his breeder and make yourself look foolish? Secondly, there is a lot of misinformation, ignorance, and surmises being offered as fact. For one thing, it may not be just one disease. There is a lot of variation in age of onset, whether the dog has other symptoms such as infertility, and response to treatments such as neutering or topical applications. Is it hereditary? Almost everyone seems to assume it is, but I don't think we have nearly enough evidence yet to draw that conclusion. How can it skip so many generations? Is there some other common factor besides heredity? What is causing it? Wow, there are lots of theories here! One acquaintance tells me that he thinks it is just a matter of keeping the dog clean. Would that it were so simple! Is it thyroid, male hormones, adult onset canine growth hormone deficiency, or some kind of mite? There is lots of conjecture based on anecdotal evidence out there, and very little scientific study, very few solid facts. What we need is an objective scientist who is willing to gather facts and do some research. A registry of suspected dogs kept by someone who may not be objective and may not be trained as a scientist is unlikely to solve this very thorny problem. I think this disease is a complex problem and

solutions will not come easily. We breeders must act responsibly, speak and write cautiously, and realize that we won't get the answers overnight. ☺

## Canals Run Through It

by Melissa Dahlenburg

Recently we bought a home and moved to Loxahatchee, Florida, near the Everglades and the southern tip of Lake Okeechobee. Our area is the only section of Loxahatchee located south of Southern Boulevard. South and west of us sugar cane fields stretch for miles. Winter is harvest time and "burning the fields" is something to see. Between the sugar cane and our land is a canal-- a small one, not deep and about 20 feet across. On the east we are next to Wellington, the home of Polo, the Wellington Aero Club and visits from Queen Elizabeth. Recently Stefanie Powers came to play polo and raise money for William Holden's Animal Foundation. One of the Smothers Brothers owns a home there. If you go about fifteen miles due east, you can see one of the loveliest spots I know, Palm Beach, and see the two Trumps' homes. The Wellington Aero Club is a development next to our area which features airplane hangars as part of the homes as well as the conventional garage. In the middle of the homes, there is a lighted airplane landing strip. No snow here! Between our area and the Aero Club is another canal--quite wide and deep. The last person who drove into said it is about 15 feet deep. She survived but others are not so fortunate. These canals are everywhere. They are part of the Southern Florida Water Management District, which maintains the water below flood level through a numerous series of pumping stations. Without them, the area would be under water during times of excessive rainfall, which includes most of 1994.

Our roads are shell rock roads with a sand cover. Some, near the polo ranches, are very hard packed with a topping of loose gravel. All seem to border a canal and none

have guard rails. A strip of green averaging one to two feet is all that is between the road and the long fall to the water. They connect to paved roads in more heavily populated areas.

On October 20, 1994, Dave was driving to work, at a slow speed of 25 to 30 miles an hour at about 6:45 a.m. in our beloved 300 ZX which had brought us to Florida and had been with us in Mexico City. Suddenly, the rear of the car danced across the gravel and the green edge of the road, turning over in the air before landing in the canal with a concussion strong enough to deploy the airbag, blow out the side windows and rear windshield, and puncture one of Dave's eardrums. We believe in using our seat belts. Upside down, surrounded by airbag and seat belt, canal mud, and blackened water, Dave struggled to free himself and could not. His struggle was violent, leaving him with deep brushburns on his chest, legs and arms, and the top of his head. Finally, he gave up his struggle, said his prayers and good-byes to me, and prepared to die. His muscles relaxed, the seat belt snuggled him back into place in the seat, and his hand knew exactly where to find the seat belt release.

Luckily this canal was not deep. The tips of the wheels of the car were above water and two men passing by jumped into the canal to help him. One jumped in fully clothed, but the other took off everything, explaining he could not go home for fresh clothing and still get to work on time. Dave found a small pocket of air in the car and heard these men calling to him. They were able to open the passenger-side door and pulled Dave back to life by one of his legs. We owe these men an eternal debt of gratitude.

It was a dreadful experience, but Dave loves life better and differently than he did. I am so happy to still have my husband with me, and we are more cherishing of our time together.

I have promised to write about Mexico and our time there with our poms, and about the Mexican Kennel Club and dog shows, the Revolution, and our trip home--but that's for future issues. This is written for the *Pomeranian Review*, and it will be

centered around poms. Please write me with any questions or information or just stories about yourself and poms you wish to share or need help with from the *Review* readers at PO Box 11601; Loxahatchee, FL 33470-1160. ☺

## New York, New York

by Jean Schroll  
Show Chairman

Again we meet in New York City for our favorite specialty--the American Pomeranian Club's 75th anniversary. It was wonderful seeing old friends and meeting new ones.

We had a great set of stewards. Wilma Diehl and her crew were wonderful to ring steward for our obedience classes. Nancy Wharton ring stewarded for the regular classes and did her job well. Tony Teller was Trophy Chairman and was on top of his job every moment. Judy Shearer did a great job as hospitality chair. It was especially appreciated because she took on the job just one week before the specialty. Jim Shearer did his job like a pro having everything set up in the ballroom by 6:00 pm. Beverly Henry did a great job. The hotel was great. All of our wants were complied with almost immediately. Everything went perfectly believe. I didn't hear any complaints. We did have a High in Trial but no combined since our utility dog was absent.

The sweepstakes were nicely judged by our own Marlene Halsey. Grand Sweepstakes winner and best junior winner was Starfire's Superman, a lovely orange dog who was full of himself. He was bred and owned by Jose Cabrera and Fabiana Arienti. Best of opposite sex junior in sweepstakes was Valcopy-Wakhan Qiana, a beautiful bitch bred by Dana Plonkey and Randy Gemmill and owned by them and Hideko Strasbaugh. She also went reserve in the regular classes. Best senior puppy dog was Jan-Shar's Mr. Nice Guy who was bred and is owned by Sharon Hanson. The best senior bitch puppy was Ch. Pinehaven Victoria's Secret bred and owned by Gale Sharland. The puppy classes were

outstanding. There were many that could have been placed, and not enough places for all of them.

Best Veteran was Ch. Tim Sue's High Lights, a beautiful clear orange (a color we seem to be losing); Best Opposite was Ch. Stolanne's Mystique Starlet, a nicely balanced bitch. Best Junior Handler was Elaine McKee. High in Trial was Razzle Dazzle Concerto owned and trained by Lillian Zentgraf and Judy Green. Best of Breed was Ch. Starfire's I'm Too Sexy who also won the breed at Madison Square Garden. He is owned by Jose Cabrera. Best of Opposite was Ch. Valcopy-Wakhan Hot Gossip owned by Hideko Strasbaugh, Dana Plonkey and Randy Gemmill.

Best Puppy in the regular classes was won by Valcopy-Wakhan Qiana. Best Bred-by was Starfire's Superman. Awards of merit were given to Ch. Valcopy-Wakhan Hot Gossip, Ch. Creider's Prince Dom Perignon, Ch. Glen Iris Castle Rock, Ch. Finch's He Walks On Water, and Ch. Cassio's Flash In The Pan.

Another wonderful show done. ☺

## 1995 Winter Specialty Report

by Beverly M. Henry

Another APC Winter Specialty has come and gone. I am sure everyone is thrilled that the weather was 100% better than 1994!

The first thing I want to do is thank Jean Schroll for a fine job as Show Chairman and for choosing the lovely towels that were given as trophies. All day long I was referring people to her for special orders on them. Thanks to Basilio Yap for the exquisite cross-stitched major trophies. Thanks also to Jim Shearer, Grounds Chairman; his wife, Judy, who so ably took over Hospitality at a moment's notice; Tony Tellez, Trophy Chairman; Pam Yongen, Advertising Chairperson; and I have got to thank my husband, Bill, for making my job as Show Secretary/Recording Secretary so much easier with all his help and understanding during my long hours at the computer. And thanks to do many

exhibitors and attenders who took the time to come up and say good things about the catalog I was so proud of.

Saturday morning began with Art Weiss judging Obedience. **Razzle Dazzle Concerto**, owned by Lillian Zentgraf and Judy Green was High in Trial with a score of 195 from the Open B class.

Then Marlene Scott Halsey took over. Veterans Sweeps was first with Tim and Sue Goddard's **Ch. Tim Sue's Highlights** as Best Veteran in Sweeps and Fran Stoll's **Ch. Stolanne Mystique Starlet** as Best Opposite. Marlene's choice for Best Junior in Sweeps and Best in Sweeps went to Tony Cabrero and Fabian Arienti's lovely **Starfire's Superman**, from the 6-9 month puppy dog class. Other Sweeps winners were: BOS to Best Junior, **Valcopy-Wakhan Qiana**, owned by Hideko Strasbaugh, Dana Plonkey, and Randy Gemmill. Best Senior in Sweeps was **Jan-Shar's Mr. Nice Guy**, owned by Sharon Hanson, and BOS to Best Senior was **Ch. Pinehaven Victoria's Secret** (who, by the way, also went BOS at Westminster). She is owned by Gale Sharland.

The 1995 Annual meeting was held Saturday night. President Trauner introduced the newly elected slate of officers. They are: President, Dolly Trauner; 1st Vice President, Jim Shearer; 2nd Vice President, Charlotte Creed; Corresponding Secretary, Tim Goddard; Recording Secretary, Beverly Henry; Treasurer, Al Williamson. The Directors are Mary Allen, Jeanne Blank, Linda Brogoitti, Sharon Masnick, Margaret McKee, and Fran Stoll.

Dolly announced that a \$3,000 grant was being awarded to Dr. Carol Foil, Professor of Clinical Dermatology at the School of Veterinary Medicine, Louisiana State University, to take a two month sabbatical to study under Dr. Clint Lothrop, a Genetics and Microbiology Dermatologist at Auburn University, Auburn, Alabama, to further her understanding of the "black skin disease," also known as "severe hairloss syndrome." The ultimate goal is to establish a working relationship with the board certified veterinary dermatologists in the country who will encourage owners of affected dogs



to submit their pedigrees to a registry to be established by Dr. Foil. A video of her seminar held in New Orleans was run in the Hospitality room Friday afternoon and all day Saturday in the hall adjoining the Ballroom for all attenders to watch. Incidentally, this grant may possibly qualify for AKC's new matching funds program.

A new **Standards Revision Committee** has been appointed. Chairperson will be Charlotte Creed, aided by Linda Brogoitti, Lorinda Vasuta, Dianne Johnson, and Sharon Masnick. This committee will be required to report progress to the Board every 2 months.

**Show Chairman** for 1996 will be Tim Goddard. I will again be **Show Secretary**. Let me inject here that if you know of anyone who didn't receive a premium list for this year's show and should have or wants to, please let me know. I had several complaints at the show about certain people not receiving one but when I announced that I had the mailing list there and it could be checked for accuracy and additions and/or corrections made **NOT ON SINGLE** person came forth.

Other appointments are APC Awards, Judy Shearer; APC Rescue Contact, Diana Downey; AKC Breeders Referral Contact, Jane Lehtinen; Performance Events Contact, Margaret McKee; Judges' Education Contact (JEC), Linda Brogoitti; Health and Genetic Defects Contact, Renee McGrath, DVM; Regional Club Contact, Wanda Roach; Membership Chairman, Jerrie Freia; Gazette Columnist, Olga Baker; AKC Delegate, Sam Zaneoff; Public Relations, Melissa Dahlenburg, Julie Moreno, and Judy Shearer; Pom Shoppe, Bess Roberts; Ways and Means, Mary Vickers.

AKC kicked back 3 items in the Proposed By-Laws. They involve minor changes, primarily re-wording, so this big job should be winding down soon. However, as a result of the fact that plans must be under way so soon for next year's show, we will probably be in New York again on February 10 and 11, 1996. Other sites will be investigated for 1997. If you have any suggestions as to locations, please send suggestions to me or an other members of the Board. Please

include details such as time of year, show site conditions, motel availability, etc.

Sunday morning saw Michelle Billing arrive ready for the challenge. Her day began with Junior Showmanship. **Elaine McKee** was chosen as Best Junior Handler. Then it was on to the "serious" stuff. Her choice for Winners Dog came from the Open, ROCS class, **Jan-Shar's Mr. Nice Guy**, owned by Sharon Hanson (he was also Marlene Halsey's choice for Best Senior in Sweeps). RWD went to **Starfire's Superman**, owned by Tony Cabrero and Fabian Arienti, (who was Marlene's Best in Sweeps winner). Winners Bitch went to Gail Durniok and Gail Sharland's **Pinehaven's Rumor Has It**, also from the Open ROCS class. RWI went to **Valcopy-Wakhan Qiana** (who was Marlene's choice for BOS to Best Junior in Sweeps). VERY similar judging here!!

Michelle then was faced with 14 gorgeous specials. She found **Ch. Starfire's I'm Too Sexy**, owned by Tony Cabrero, to be her choice for Best of Breed (he was also Best of Breed at the Progressive All Toy Dog Show and at Westminster). **Ch. Valcopy-Wakhan Hot Gossip**, owned by Hideko Strasbaugh and Dana Plonkey, was BOS and **Jan-Shar's Mr. Nice Guy** was BW. Best Puppy in Regular classes went to **Valcopy-Wakhan Qiana** and Best in Bred-by-Exhibitor classes went to **Starfire's Superman**. Awards of Merit went to **Ch. Valcopy-Wakhan Hot Gossip**, **Ch. Gler Iris Castle Rock**, **Ch. Finch's He Walks on Water**, **Ch. Cassio's Flash In The Pan**, and **Ch. Creider's Prince Don Perignon**.

Michelle could not stay for the banquet but as she left she told us that it was the best entry of Poms she had ever judged and she wanted you all to know that. She added that she did not pick up on any major problems affecting the breed.

The evening concluded with the Annual Awards Banquet. I think everyone had a great time and I hope to see you all again in 1996. ☺



**Best of Breed**  
**Ch. Starfire's I'm Too Sexy**



**Winners Bitch**  
**Pinehaven's Rumor Has It**



**Best of Opposite Sex**  
**Ch. Valcopy-Wakhan Hot Gossip**



**Best in Sweeps and Best Bred-by-Exhibitor**  
**Starfire's Superman**



**Best of Winners**  
**Jan-Shar's Mr. Nice Guy**



**Best in Puppy Classes**  
**Valcopy-Wakhan Qiana**



**Best in Junior Showmanship  
Elaine McKee**



**Best Veteran  
Ch. Tim Sue's High Lights**



**High in Trial  
Razzle Dazzle Concerto**



**Trophy Table**

## AMERICAN POMERANIAN CLUB

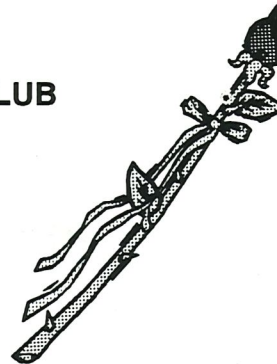
1994

### VIP AWARDS

### Committee Report

The Committee was composed of:

- Judy Shearer, Chair ..... Stats on Breeder, Exhibitor, and Junior Handler
- Mary Vickers.....Stats on Breeder, Exhibitor, Top Producing Poms, Junior Handler, and Obed
- Diana Downey ..... Stats on Top Winning Dog and Bitch





(L to R) Dolly Trauner, Sharon Hanson, Elizabeth Kerr, Dr. Cheryl Jackson

## Award Winners

Top Winning Dog ..... Ch. Glen Iris Castle Rock owned by Nina Work, Joel Taylor, Dr. Cheryl Jackson  
 Top Winning Bitch ..... Ch. Phyner Joie d Vivre owned by Dolly Trauner  
 Top Producing Sire ..... No winner. 6 dogs had 3 champion get.

Ch. Bi-Mar Sundance Kid, Mary Rosenbaum  
 Ch. Dooshay's Absolute, Jeanne Blank  
 Ch. Great Elms Master Mark, Ruth Beam  
 Ch. Jan-Shar's Mountain Dew, Jeanne Blank  
 Ch. Rock N Tradition of Oakridge, Nina Epps  
 Ch. Tim Sue's Moon Rocket, Diane Finch

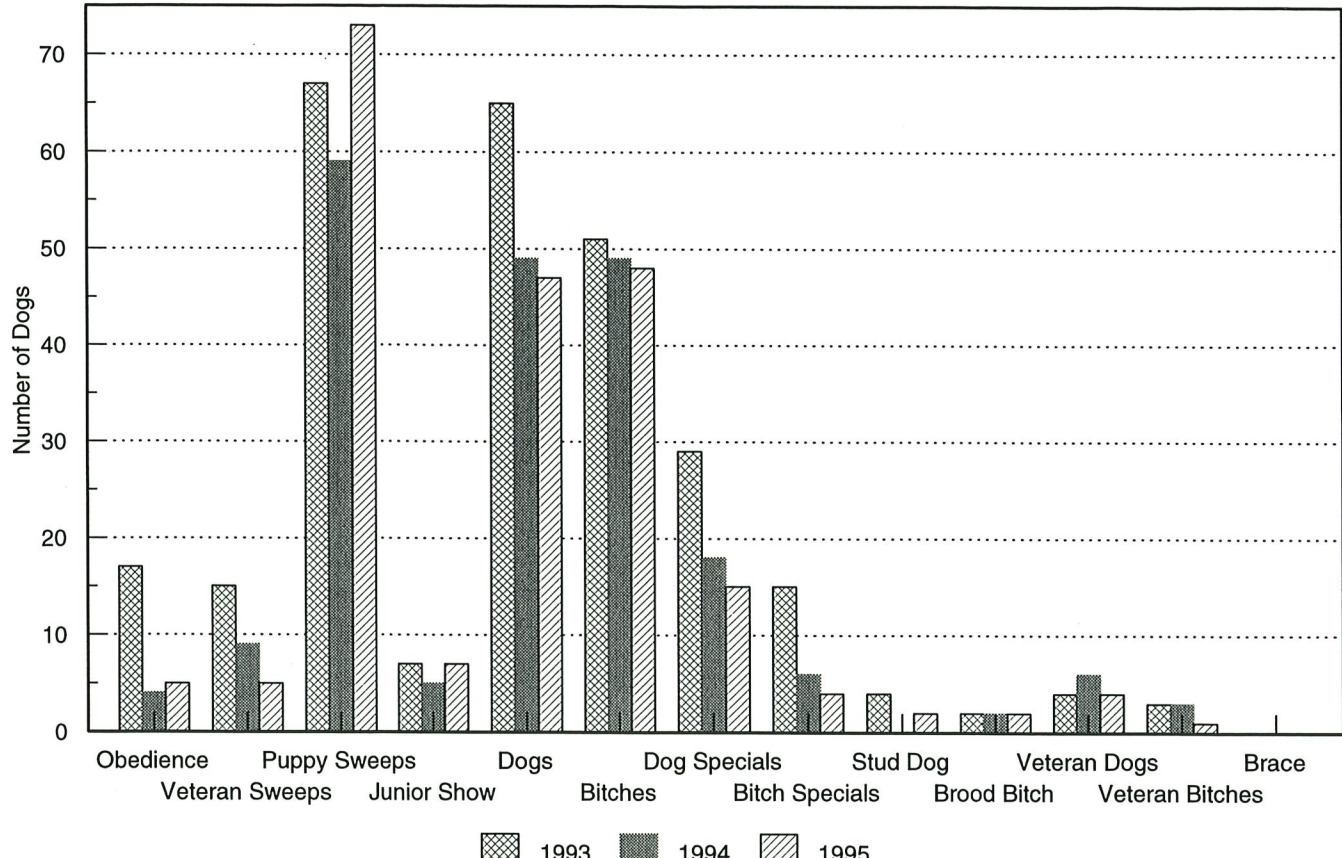
Top Producing Dam ..... Finch's Magically Impressed owned by Diane Finch  
 Breeder of the Year ..... Sharon Hanson  
 Exhibitor of the Year ..... Sharon Hanson  
 Best Junior Handler ..... Elizabeth Kerr  
 Top Obedience Pom ..... OTCH Crickett's Midnight Song CS, HOF owned by Jimmie Lawrence  
 Top Utility Pom ..... Driftwood Love That Bob UD owned by Marian Lazzara  
 Top Open Pom ..... Mar-Vic's Stuffd Black Bear CDX owned by Barbara McClatchey  
 Top Novice Pom ..... Hot To Trot Truffles owned by Jimmie Lawrence

The awards plaques were selected and carried to New York by this Chairperson. Costs of the plaques were paid, in part, by Jim and Betsy Ruth New of Ja-Newpy Poms and Jim and Judy Shearer of Crystal Poms. and, as in previous years, all certificates were donated by Dudley Roach.

Many thanks to my committee and donors and CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL!

# 1993, 1994, 1995 Entry Comparison

## APC Winter Specialties



# LETS FIGHT BACK!

MOVEMENT", the authors spell out the scams and shams behind the leading Animal Rights groups and how they attempt to mislead the public and the press as to their aims and goals. Learn what PETA and company really have in mind for us.

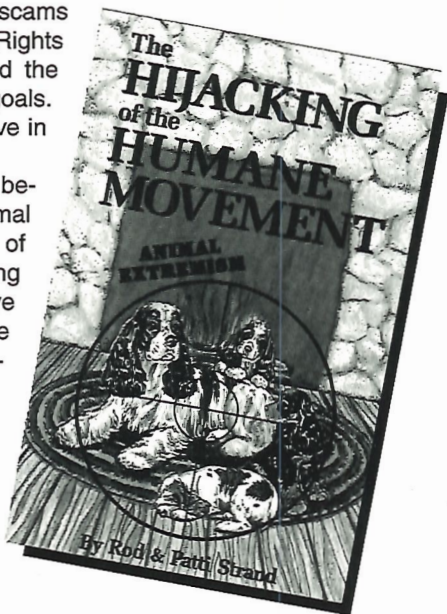
Authors Rod and Patty Strand have become a focal point for information on animal rights issues in the U.S. Their 25 years of experience in breeding, showing and judging dogs and their work with animal Legislative issues across the country place them at the forefront of the Animal Welfare versus Animal Rights issues.

You may order the book, priced at \$16.95 + \$3.00 for shipping/handling, through Doral Publishing at **1-800-858-9055** using your Visa or Mastercard. Also available through major catalogs and at the Dog Shows.

The Animal Rights Radicals claim they represent all that is good in the world and the rest of us just don't understand the problem.

In the real world the Animal Rights leadership is skimming the cream off the millions of dollars in donations to further aims that the donors don't even realize they are supporting.

In their **critically acclaimed book**, "THE HIJACKING OF THE HUMANE



## TO ORDER

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Visa/MC# \_\_\_\_\_ - - - - Expiration date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

I enclose a check in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_ copies



Doral Publishing, Inc.  
8560 SW Salish Lane, Suite 300  
Wilsonville, OR 97070  
Toll Free 1-800-858-9055

# An International Survey of Quality Control in Breeding Stock

How kennel clubs around the world are addressing genetic problems.

## Results of Dogs in Canada survey

*There is no crime in producing a defect. Crime, if any, lies in what you do about a defect. If you bury yours and keep quiet about it, and I do the same with mine, then sooner or later we may use each other's dogs and pay the penalty for not having been honest with one another and with the breed we probably profess to love.*

—Malcolm Willis, *Practical Genetics for Dog Breeders*. 1992

The incidence of genetic defects is of major concern to dog lovers everywhere. Whether there are, in fact, more problems occurring (for whatever reasons) or it's a case of sophisticated research now allowing already existing problems to be accurately identified, it seems like hereditary defects are more prevalent. At the same time, consumer awareness is making them less and less acceptable.

Dogs today are regarded as integral family members for millions of people. As well, published information on purebred dogs has created wiser and more discriminating consumers. The combination has led to an increasing intolerance of the toll that disease places on dogs, and the emotional upset and expense it brings to their owners.

The result is mounting pressure on breeders to respond to genetic questions. Potential owners ask about breed and bloodline defects, and how conditions like hip and elbow dysplasia, eye disorders, hemophilia, patellar luxation and epilepsy, to name a few, are screened. The impact of these inquiries is hitting registry bodies as well, which are presumed to have a role in the preservation of purebred dogs and in the well-being of dogs they register.

In light of this growing concern, **Dogs in Canada** conducted an international survey

to determine what other countries are doing to deal with these problems. An outstanding response of 40 per cent was received from clubs representing all parts of the world.

The survey was focussed on whether registries required clearances for specific hereditary problems to be submitted with registration applications. If so, how long have they been requiring clearances, and did they decide to take this step, and what particular defect(s)? Importantly, supplementary questions dealt with individual progeny and the concept of an advanced registry—meaning that pups are registered based on their parents' clearances. The survey also inquired into the possible drawbacks of a system requiring clearances to which some surprisingly honest answers were received.

## Clearances required by more than half

More than half the responding kennel clubs require some type of clearance for registration purposes. However, in the countries, registration of a litter or of individual progeny is generally based on the clearance of their parents—in other words, the breeding stock. For example, in Sweden a litter is registered when the parents meet the specific "demands." If not, this litter will not be registered. In Switzerland, if a dog is found to be affected (with a genetic defect), he is dismissed from breeding; both parents are both parents.

South Africa introduced a requirement for hip dysplasia clearance for all dogs in all breeds and experienced "a dramatic drop in registrations." They are now considering an amendment to their system whereby dogs without restriction would be accepted into the registry. However, only those that meet certain criteria, one of them being hip dysplasia clearance, would achieve "blue pedigree" status, giving recognition to those animals that should be used for future breeding programs.

While not requiring clearances, the United States has taken a step toward introducing breeders to the importance of such clearances in conjunction with making breeding decisions. According to the AKC, they do not plan to add such require-

clearances to their registry system. However, they receive clearances directly from the OFA (for hip dysplasia) and CERF (for eye disorders) and have incorporated these into their database. These clearances are available from the AKC, with a listing published quarterly. Further study, they say, is ongoing.

### Still considering

For now, the remaining 45 per cent of survey respondents do not require clearances, although many of these kennel clubs have considered the matter. Two prominent clubs are among them--The United Kennel Club, representing the United Kingdom and Ireland, and The Canadian Kennel Club.

According to Rodney Remin, member of the CKC Board of Directors and Chair of the Committee for Canine Genetics, Hereditary Disorders and Artificial Insemination, the Canadian Kennel Club has discussed both a system of mandatory clearance and a database approach similar to the one recently adopted by the United States. "Although the question of mandatory clearances for certain hereditary problems has been discussed at committee level, there are no plans at the present time to implement such nor to include clearances in registrations even on a voluntary basis. Ultimately, responsibility for the genetic well-being of the purebred dog lies with the breeders."

B.W. Leonard, External Affairs Office for the Kennel Club in England, supports a similar perspective, agreeing that genetic responsibility rests with breeder. He commented, "The Kennel Club feels that its job is to provide the maximum amount of information to the breeder and that it is up to the breeder to make the appropriate decisions based on this information." He further suggests that "any concentration on one particular problem in a breeding program can lead to the development of other problems."

### Behind the clearances

Some breed clubs have been requiring

clearances for more than 20 years, although for the most part it is a relatively recent phenomenon, with hip dysplasia and eye disorders receiving most of the attention. Some clubs, like El Salvador, initiated the requirement at the request of breeders. Others, like Cypress and Finland, state that they require clearances for breeding control and the possibility of improving and providing trustworthy breeding programs. Sweden and Switzerland attribute their requirement to the incidence of genetic disorders in dogs--the suffering to the dogs and the problems to the owners caused by unhealthy dogs.

Some countries are on the cutting edge in their holistic approach to the purebred dog, expanding on the traditional emphasis of breeding primarily for conformation. For instance, in Switzerland, a dog cannot be used for breeding unless it passes the necessary tests (assessments) including: (a) conformation (no serious faults), (b) temperament (no aggressiveness or extreme shyness), and (c) health (no dysplasia; no eye disease; no patellar luxation; etc.) A medical certificate is required.

Finland is going even further in their approach to the total dog. Juhani Hirvensalo, a veterinary surgeon and Vice-President of the Finnish Kennel Club, explains, "In dog breeding the four contributing factors to a dog's quality--character, good health, use (performance) characteristics, and appearance--must be taken into account. Nowadays, appearance is overvalued at the expense of health and character. In Finland, each breed organization is required to compile a breeding program covering all sectors...A dog is man's best friend. We as dog owners must recognize our responsibility towards dogs."

### Is it working? Can it?

Sweden contends that "the frequency (of hip dysplasia, elbow arthrosis and eye problems) has obviously decreased," but there are still problems. They also admit that there are drawbacks to their system, including the cost involved--e.g., for hip x-rays--and identity control. Slovenia



Kennel Club concedes that in some areas of their country it is difficult to find a well-equipped veterinarian. A few countries, like Croatia, Mexico, and South Africa, acknowledge that cheating is possible.

While, as Switzerland states, "sensible breeders accept and want a controlling system," other breeders do not, and are made to accept it. Many countries, including Colombia and Poland, agreed that requiring clearances was not popular with breeders, but they had no choice if they wanted to breed dogs.

According to Indonesia, no system is without its drawbacks, and "it always comes back to the mentality of the person." Even with their abridged version, the United States noted that, "all such systems rely in part on honor. Permanent identification of cleared animals helps ensure accuracy."

Controls like identification and inspection of progeny help to "legislate" the individual breeder in the interests of the breeding fraternity as a whole. But such controls can still be circumvented. Relying on individual integrity alone is unfortunately unrealistic. Even the reliance on a group of breeders to judiciously apply research findings to breeding choices may be unwieldy and unsatisfactory.

In the final analysis, do we know what works best? Do mandatory clearances really reduce the incidence of the genetic defect it is trying to eradicate? Do irresponsible breeders simply find a new way to circumvent the system? Does the concentration on one or a few genetic defects promote the upsurge of other health problems? Can we rely on the integrity of the breeder to make healthy breeding choices for the dog and its owner? If every single person in a group does not operate with integrity, can it work? If only some kennel clubs in the world subscribe to some type of clearance system, is there any chance of significantly reducing the targeted genetic defects?

Kennel clubs around the world are struggling with these questions. For the future of purebred dogs, they cannot be ignored.

## 1994 APC Top Ten Show Dogs

- 1 Ch. Glen Iris Castle Rock**  
Nina Work/Joel Taylor/Ch. Cheryl Jackson
- 2 Ch. Finch's He Walks On Water**  
Diane L. Finch
- 3 Ch. Treasured Dean's HI Hierarchy**  
Edwin Dean Hebert
- 4 Ch. Linchris Genghis Pom**  
Linda Brogoitte
- 5 Ch. Jan Le's Willie Makit**  
Jane Lehtinen
- 6 Ch. Tim Sue's Harbor Lights**  
Susan Conlee
- 7 Ch. Valcopy-Wakhan Valentino**  
R. Gemmill/Dana Plonkey
- 8 Ch. Watts' Little Socrates**  
Dolores Watts
- 9 Ch. McGuire's Wish Up On A Star**  
JoAnn Kern
- 10. Ch. Moreno's Perri Winkle**  
Julie Moreno/Dolly Trauner

## 1994 APC Top Ten Show Bitches

- 1 Ch. Phyner Jole De Vivre**  
Dolly B. Trauner
- 2 Ch. Jan-Shar's I Feel Lucky**  
Sharon Hanson
- 3 Ch. Elan's Devil May Care**  
Melissa R. and David K. Dahlenburg
- 4 Ch. VIP's Dixieland Delight**  
Fran Smith/ T and S Greedy
- 5 Ch. Dia's Hug A Bear of Koh-I-Noor**  
Pamela Yongen
- 6 Ch. Pixie's Tip Toe to Neujahr**  
C. Galavich, E. Newyear, E. Conley
- 7 Ch. Jan-Shar's Double Whammy**  
Sharon Hanson
- 8 TLC Magical Minuette**  
Margaret and Daniel Ontiveros
- 9 Ch. Destiny's Cinna-Bar**  
Donna E. Sinicropi
- 10 Ch. Wee Heart's A Shade Above**  
Cassandra Evans and Barbara Krzewicki





### Linchris Pomeranians

Home of Best in Show, Best in Specialty Show & Multi Group Winning Poms  
Ch. Stud Service  
Puppies Occasionally  
Quality Dogs for Show & Pet  
Fully Guaranteed  
Home of Pom Rescue

LINDA BROGOITTI  
1011 W. Campbell Ave.  
Phoenix, AZ 85013-2614  
(602) 265-4946

## Moreno's



MRS. JULIE R. MORENO

(415) 583-4973

By Appointment, Please

## Bonfire Pomeranians

CH. STUD SERVICE • QUALITY PUPPIES  
HOME RAISED & LOVED



DANIEL TAYLOR JR.  
ONNIE MCINTOSH-TAYLOR

(714) 537-9333  
GARDEN GROVE, CALIFORNIA

## Fan-C's Pomeranians

Home of...

A/C Ch. Fan-C's Rockstar  
Champion-sired puppies Available

Florence and Carl Scott  
2958 Mayfield Road

Wickliffe, KY 42087  
(502) 335-5416

### JIM & JUDY SHEARER

523 MILLER AVE.  
SUGARCREEK, OHIO 44681  
(216) 852-4136



MEMBERS  
AMERICAN POM CLUB  
AND  
OHIO VALLEY POM CLUB

(504) 384-7466  
(After 7:00pm)

## Janesa's Poms

Jerrie Freia

P.O. Box 2775  
Morgan City, LA 70381

## Central Carolina Pomeranian Club, Inc. by Dot Martin

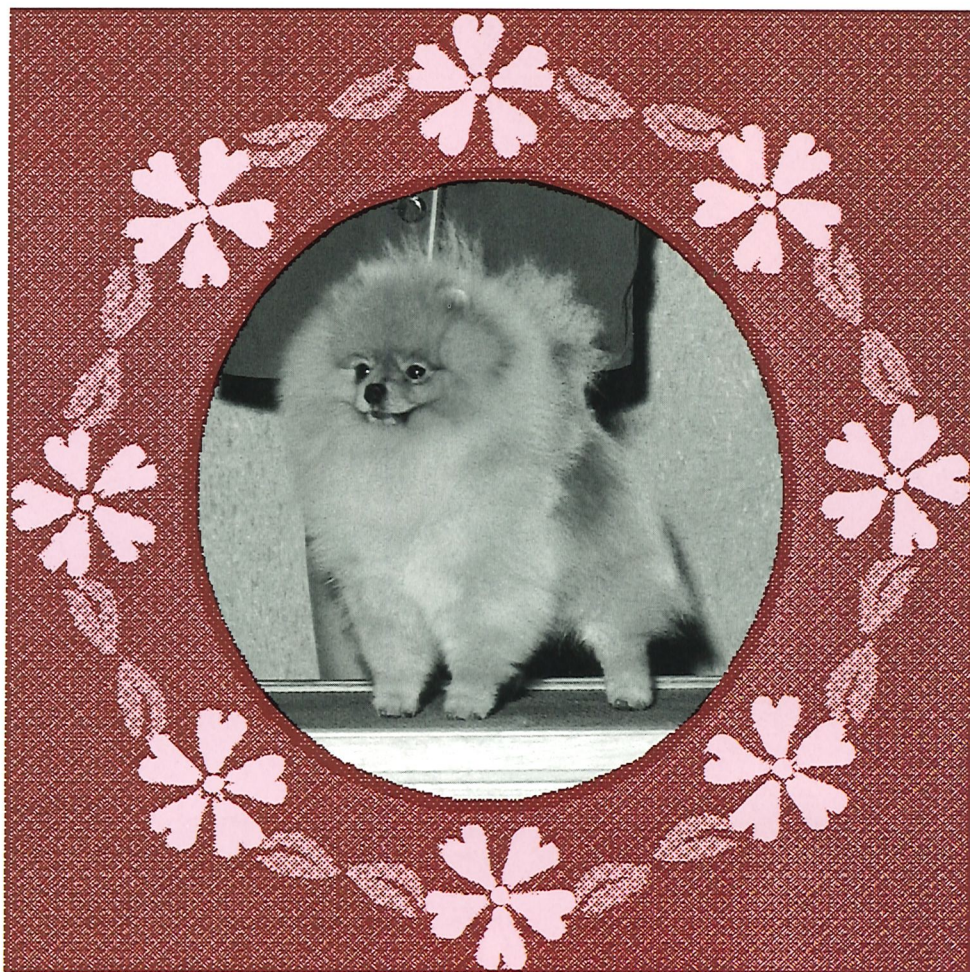
Our Club is officially licensed by the American Kennel Club to hold point carrying Specialty Shows. The first will be Friday, September 29, 1995, pending AKC approval, at the Piedmont Kennel Club Showplace, 13609 Choate Circle, Charlotte, NC. The judge for regular classes will be Mrs. Curtis Humphrey and Sweepstakes judge will be Mrs. Peggy Wilson. Saturday and Sunday the Columbia and Piedmont Kennel Clubs will hold their all-breed shows.

The American Pomeranian Club has granted our club permission to host the 1997 Summer Specialty. All our members are hard at work on money-making projects and plans to make this an outstanding joint Specialty weekend.

Make plans to join us in September 1995 and again in 1997.

# EVAN...

## The #1 POM in the USA!!!



**Multiple BIS, Multiple BISS  
Ch. Glen Iris Castle Rock**

**Producer of BIS, BISS, and Group Winners!**

**Breeders/Co-Owners: Cheryl A. Jackson and Joel M. Taylor / (205) 328-6603**

**Handler/Co-Owner: Nina Work / (419) 221-0046**

( CH. Phyner Gold Jackpot ex Phyner Penny Candy)



**TOP WINNING BITCH**  
**AMERICAN POMERANIAN CLUB**  
**FOR 1994**

Breeder/Owner: Dolly B. Trauner

# SANDTOWN POMERANIANS



## Sandtown's Red Hot Pillow Talk

Buddy, handled by Kathy Sawyer, pictured winning BOW under Judge Don Sutton. Congratulations to Clarice and Yvette Oganeku on their new champion, Ch. Sandtown's

Lois Abjornson  
P.O. Box 432

Sand Springs, OK 74063  
(918) 245-6915

# Lyngayle, the next generation...

## Mother



**Ch. Pris's Steppen Out In Style (Shoo-Shoo)**

## Daughter



**Ch. Lyngayle's Magic Touch**

**Breeder / Co-owner**

## Granddaughter



**Lyngayle's Made of Magic**

**Breeder / Owner**

## Congratulations

**Jeanne  
and  
Robert  
on your  
Kennel  
Visit**

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Jeanne and Robert for all their help, patience, and encouragement. Without it, there would probably not be a next generation.

Thanks, Nadine Hersil, for your help in teaching me about grooming and the care of Poms. I don't know what I would do without you!

**Gayle Vautaw  
1128 High Street**

**Logansport, IN 46947  
(219) 722-4692**

# Finch's Pomeranians announces...

## Ch. Finch's He Walks On Water

"Travis" is back-back home in Iowa!



- 9 All-Breed Best in Show
- 3 Best in Specialty Shows
- 61 Group I's
- Gold Club Member
- Hall of Fame

- 1994 Westminster Best of Breed
- 2 Award of Merits at National Specialties
- Award of Merit, Westminster '95
- Champion producer, BIS and BISS producer

Travis potently stamps his offspring with his attitude, lovely movement, excellent bone, great coats in a variety of colors. Negative brucella, cultures required of approved bitches.

**Diane L. Finch**  
RR 1, Box 89 B

**Kelley, IA 50134-9801**  
(515) 769-2444



Presenting the outstanding youngster, **Starfire's Superman**, who was **Best in Sweepstakes, Best Bred-by-Exhibitor, and Reserve Winners Dog** at the 1995 American Pomeranian Club Winter Specialty!

**Starfire** / Tony Cabrera and Fabian Arienti / (305) 256-2818



# TRIPLE CROWN WINNER!!!



**Ch. Starfire's I'm Too Sexy.....Best of Breed and Group III at the Progressive Dog Club....Best in Show at the American Pomeranian Club Winter Specialty...Best of Breed at the Westminster Kennel Club!!!!**

***Starfire* / Tony Cabrera and Fabian Arienti / (305) 256-2818**

# NEUJAHR

# BEAU JAMES



## Neujahr Tagalong O' Beau James

(Larron Elektra Lights x Mercer's Elegant Encore)

Little Taggy is on his way....

- McKinley KC / 1-8-95 / Judge Bernard Esprite / WD
- Crawford Co. KC / 1-28-95 / Judge Lena Wiseman / BOW
- APC Sweeps / 2-11-95 / Judge Marlene Halsey / 2nd 9-12 class

Thanks for appreciating our little guy, and thanks to Donna Megenhardt for loving this little sweetheart.

Evelyn Newyear  
NEUJAHR POMS  
(216) 946-1226

AGENT  
Donna Megenhardt

Cynthia Wallen  
BEAU JAMES  
Phone/Fax (419) 892-3170

# WOODKROSS



Ch. Jan-Shar's Bad Bad Leroy Brown

Clarice Oganeku  
45-232 Lilipuna Rd.  
Kaneohe, HI 96744  
(808) 235-8142  
FAX (808) 247-4967

# Woodrose



## Ch. Woodrose's Short Circuit

Boxie finished going over specials for a 5-point major under Mrs. Jean Fancy then on to a Group II. Mahalo to the judges that recognized his qualities: Mr. Darrell Baker, 4 points; Mr. Frank Oberstar, 4 points; Dr. William Houpt, 3 points; Mr. Merlin Vander Kinder, BOB; Mr. Glenn Fancy, Group III.

He is just over a year and will be specialed this year.

### Science Diet Fed



*Where quality counts!*

#### WOODROSE

Phone: (808) 235-8142

FAX: (808) 247-4967

Clarice and Yvette Oganeku

45-232 Lilipuna Road

Kaneohe, HI 96744

# Woodrose



## Ch. Sandtown's Lovin' Teaspoon

**Teaspoon** is shown finishing with a 5-point major at the Kona Coast KC show handled by **Kirk Ohira**, our good friend. Mahalo to all the judges who recognized "Teaspoon's" qualities. She was bred by **Lois Abjornson**.

Science Diet Fed



*Where quality counts!*

**WOODROSE**  
Phone: (808) 235-8142  
FAX: (808) 247-4967

**Clarice and Yvette Oganeku**  
45-232 Lilipuna Road  
Kaneohe, HI 96744

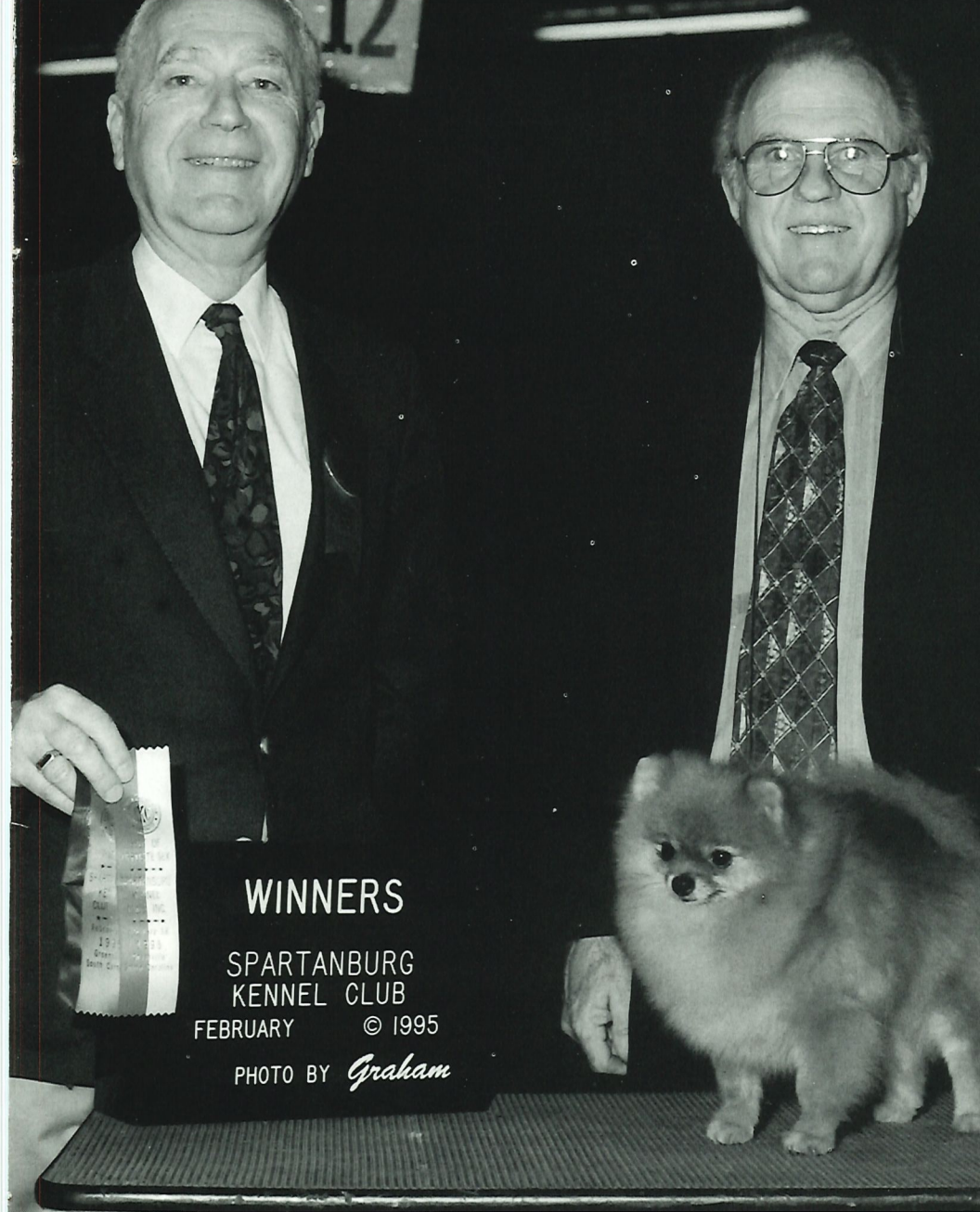
Ch. Haiku's Visp Of Swiss Mist (Koko) wins 3 Breeds in a row!



**Aloha and Aloha to the Judges for his latest wins:**

- 2/20/95 / Kona Coast KC / Charles Long, BOB / Robert Behrendt, Group II
- 3/11/95 / Hawaiian KC / Mr. F.W. Braun, BOB and Group III
- 3/12/95 / Hawaiian KC / Ms. Ann Rogers Clark, BOB / Ms. Michelle Billings, Group III

Koko congratulates his half sister, Celine, on her two 5-point majors, pays tribute to his breeders, Dr. and Mrs. Jim Hattori, and sincerely thanks Jo Ching for her guidance and grooming. He is beautifully handled by Newton Young.



## WINNERS

SPARTANBURG  
KENNEL CLUB

FEBRUARY © 1995

PHOTO BY *Graham*

## La Cherie's Tribute to Great Elms

(Ch. Great Elms Something Special x La Cherie's Happy Daze)

Still up to her old tricks....

...Winning Winners Bitch and Best Opposite.

La Cherie Pomeranians / 5354 Bluebird Lane / York, SC 29745 / (803) 831-8066

# RHEA-NA



## Rhea-Na's Watta Lil' Socrates

(Ch. Watts' Little Socrates x Janesa's Charlie's Angel D'Or)

After 2 seconds and a 3rd in NY, Socks went BOB over Specials for a major. Thanks, Judges, we like him, too!! Thanks--Donna Lynn Wright--Regina and Robert Nunn and Ce Harrison.

Pups available by Socks, Am/Can Ch. Regina Poms Luv-A-Gator, Ch. Great Elms Little Sparky, and Lynnwright's Dracula. We'll have some fancy puppies in the ring later--including a true "Blue." Look for Lynnwright's Warloc O' Rhea-Na--Regina Poms Beamer and Mercedes--They are HOT!

Congrats to Tony Cabrera--an inspiration to us all.

We feed and condition with Science Diet

RHEA-NA / Steve and Barb Nagy / 713 Marlboro Rd. / Stephens City, VA 22611  
 Phone: (703) 869-3749

REGINA POMES / Robert and Regina Nunn / Rt. 1, Box 2890 / Berryville, VA 22611  
 Phone: (703) 955-1209



# *Amour Just Joey*

Mahalo to Mr. Charles Long for a 5-point major  
and to Mr. F.W. Braun for a 5-point major!



BEST OF WINNERS

KONA SHOW

*Mike Johnson*

"Joey" is capably presented by his breeder, Ms. Shirley Ann Le

Owned and loved by Mary Liang / Box 88028 / Honolulu, HI 96830-8028

# ABSOLUTE POMS



Meet the newest "MAGIC" stars



## absolutes little miss magic

Watch for Abby in  
the  
west with Marge  
Kranzfelder!



## absolutes sizzlin magician

Watch for Dewey

in the East with Gale

Sharland and Gail

Durniok.

We are extremely proud of Magic and all that he has accomplished as a show dog and a stud dog. Thank you to everyone for your continued support of MAGIC and the ABSOLUTE POMS. We have some exciting litters on the ground and some also planned for this summer.

**FLASH!! Champion #4 finishes for MAGIC this year! Congrats to Curtis Mack and Ch. Macks Absolutely No Regrets!**

Jeanne and Robert Blank / 16060 Brookside Drive / Buchanan, MI 49107 / (616) 695-7308

try Science Diet Mixit for finicky toys!

## A Kennel Visit with The Absolute Poms

by Jeanne Blank

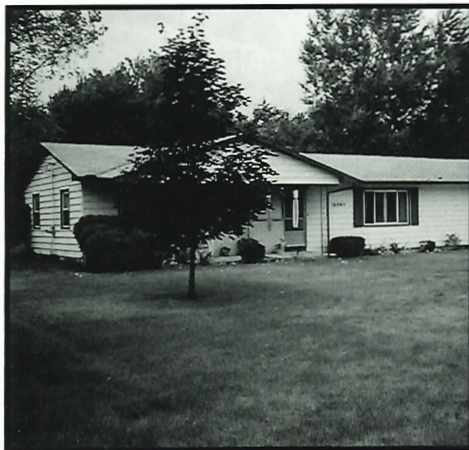
Where do I begin? For some odd reason, this has been a difficult task for me, one I have put off until the deadline is almost past. Normally, the words come easy for me, but not this time. I am honored, to say the least, to have this kennel visit, and I thank Dudley for this opportunity. I must warn you, Dudley has also asked me to start writing articles from time to time for the *Review*, so feel free to send me ideas on what you would like to read about.

I have always loved dogs, my first breed being the Labrador Retriever. My parents raised them, giving me lots of opportunity at a young age to be involved with breeding and care of purebred dogs. I became heavily involved in 4-H, not just in dogs, but goats, sheep, swine, and beef cattle as well.

I purchased my first Pomeranian in 1981, and like most, she was strictly a pet. But I was hooked on the breed. I subscribed to all Breed publications, and started my search for a good quality Pom. I contacted many, purchased a few, and started my breeding program. I feel I was just making progress with the *Windjammer Poms*, when I had to give them up due to a divorce. I had to place

every dog I had, which was almost tougher than the divorce itself. I had so much invested in these dogs, not just money, but a lot of love and time. I feel very confident that they all went to good homes, and I thank those people for helping me out during a bad time. I sold everything at the time, including all my cages, grooming equipment, etc. I knew this part of my life was over for good. I never dreamed I would be back in it, but once a Pom breeder, always a Pom breeder.

I truly love this breed, and let's face it, we must be able to withstand the blows that come with it. The puppies are born dead, or worse yet, the ones that either fade or die at a later date. I put everything into my puppies; I am up every two hours to make sure they nurse, I supplement, just sit and watch them. After the first three days, I am utterly exhausted. But there is no greater joy than a healthy 6-week old puppy. This is my favorite age, they are just getting coordinated and fuzzy hair everywhere. I now keep my whelping pens in my daughter Courtney's room. She is the best socialization I could ask for with my puppies. She loves them and they her. Having a 2 1/2-year old



The Blank residence



Robert and Jeanne Blank



**Ch. Absolute's Harley's Son David**

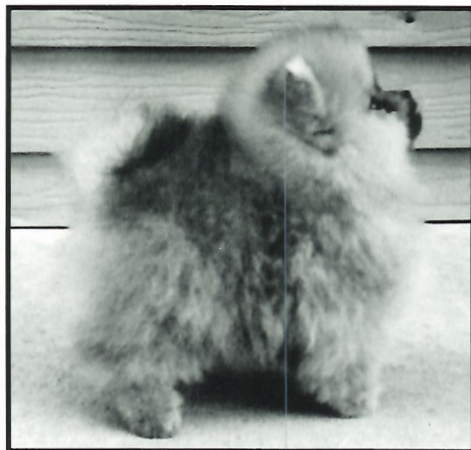
helps too. Derek is my spitfire, so the puppies learn early about noise and distractions.

My husband is very involved in the breed also, as many of you already know. He gets right in the ring with me and just loves it when he beats me (as some of my friends do too...like NADINE!!!). Wow, can you believe I found a man that gets his involved? He has whelped numerous litters all on his own, and of course I hear about this for a long time afterward!

I find myself saying how lucky I have been in my current breeding program of the ABSOLUTE POMS. However, luck is nothing to do with it. The only luck is coming associated with the infamous Sharon Hanson. Through her, I have found myself with dogs of better quality than I could imagine. I feel I have the best quality brood bitches possible, with access to the best males in the country. In this way, I guess I am lucky! My program concentrates on the Jan-Shar lines, and we have added a few other lines here and here to give us better coats, heads, and temperaments. Between the two of us, we have done some experimenting with various lines and are extremely happy in the direction we are both going, but I now personally I have room to improve. I think the key to success is not breeding yourself into a corner, and then admit when it is time to step out a little. A good example of an outcross success story is Ch. Jan-Shar's Harley Davidson. Harley

has made many fans, but you must admit he is a different type than you normally see with the Jan-Shar prefix. Harley is producing extremely well also, his first just finishing in February, Ch. Absolute's Harley's Son David (out of who else but Jan-Shar's Madonna). Davey is a heavy coated orange, with a beautiful foxy expression. We have his first litter on the ground--two 7 week old females that are too cute to speak of at the moment.

My biggest blessing is, of course, **BISS, BISA Ch. Absolute's Magic Mountain**. This dog alone has fulfilled my every dream. A National Specialty Best of Winners at 7 months, A Best in Show winner at 7 1/2 months, and a National Specialty Breed winner at 18 months. What more could I ask for? For him to produce of course! He has not failed me here either. He had three champions finish to date in 1995, the most recent being Ch. Jan-Shar's Mr. Nice Guy. He finished in grand style with a Best of Winners at the National in February. I look for big things to happen to this young dog. After his 2nd National Specialty win in October, I shipped Magic to Sharon in West Virginia so that she may use him for breeding for a while, as I have nothing at the moment to breed to him. Presently, I am breeding most of my bitches to either Davey or Harley, hoping for females to bring back to Magic. I keep my numbers down to a minimum, as I have a family



**An Absolute puppy**



**Ch. Absolute's Kiddy Cocktail**

and a full-time job also. There are just not enough hours in the day to juggle all three. I have 5 broods, and two champion males. This is a very comfortable number for me, as I can then keep puppies to grow out. I absolutely adore puppies! As anyone can vouch for, I sell very few. However, I have been fortunate enough to place several with wonderful people, and they are all very well taken care of and out being shown. In keeping my numbers down, it also enables me to be able to take on a few clients' dogs. I really enjoy this, and I am fortunate enough to have wonderful clients that send me their best.

I never understood the ads in the past that noted:

**NOT AVAILABLE AT PUBLIC STUD.** I always thought of this as being somewhat stingy, as aren't we all here to better the breed? I have since changed my opinion on this matter. I have had two very unsatisfactory outside services in the last 4 years, fortunately those were both for a client's dog (from another country), and not one of my own dogs. I have had extremely good luck with my own dogs, everyone has been very easy to work with. However, the two bad experiences really leave a bad taste in my mouth, and I seriously have considered doing the unmentionable--**NOT AVAILABLE AT PUBLIC STUD.** But, I really hate to do this, as I feel my two studs really have a lot to offer; they are both producing so well. Time will tell.

I just recently started a new job as Branch Manager of Flexible Personnel, an employment agency. This is a very demanding position, and I find myself with less and less time for the dogs. You may start seeing me less and less at the shows, as I hate to spend time away from my family on weekends after such full and busy weeks. It is my goal to continue to breed the quality Poms I have been, and sending them out with handlers. Then I will attend the Nationals in a social capacity, enjoy the judging and the time with my friends. My husband says right. He knows I could never stay out of the ring; perhaps I will come with one puppy instead of 5! Oh, what a lovely thought! I will never be completely out of the ring but perhaps just slow down for a while. I would like to finish my current dogs, and we will see how it goes from there.

I am looking forward to my term as board member of APC. I hope I will serve the membership well, but a YES person, I am not. There are issues I do not agree on and there are some I do. I can only hope to serve my term in the capacity that is expected.

As many of you are aware, I am not much of a phone person, and for this I would like to make a public apology. After a full 9 hour day at the office, I really don't have time for lengthy phone conversations at night. Especially calls between 5 and 6:30. This is my hectic



**Can. Ch. Absolute's Jailhouse Rock**

ime. This is not say I can't talk, but I have o keep it short. The kids are demanding ny attention, the dogs are wanting to go out, not to mention my husband needs to ook my supper (ha ha!). So if you catch ne at this time, I apologize for my riefness. I try to make up for this at the shows, but I do apologize if I have cut you off in mid thought.

I am thrilled that there are more and more breeder/owner/handlers in the Pomeranian ring. As the handler of Magic, I can attest to the ultimate thrill when you are awarded that Best in Show. Knowing all the love and attention that went into raising this little guy, and the joy and emotion that accompanies each win is undescrivable. I sincerely congratulate another such person on his recent successes in New York, Tony...my best to you babe!!! Keep your chin up; you deserve to stand tall!

I thank you all for your support, for the beautiful clients' dogs I have been trusted with, and for the wonderful friends I have made throughout the years. Thanks, Dudley, for this opportunity, and hope you weren't bored with the article.



**The King at Absolute! Magic winning his second National under Ken Miller**

## Around the Water Bowl

by Linda Brogoitti  
14410 N. 71st Avenue  
Peoria, AZ 85381

I wish I'd never written that last article about what could happen in an emergency. Two days after it was mailed, we had a death in the family and within 12 hours were on a plane for Illinois.

Just for the record, I was not as prepared to walk out the door as I thought I was. There were two prescriptions that were down to their last 3 doses. Now I have them filled at least 2 weeks before they are gone. Same thing goes for dog food--don't wait till you have 3 days left. How we got out of here on time still amazes me; there were puppies to go across town, a stud dog with an engagement scheduled and rescue dogs to going to other breed rescues in my absence.

Back to what AKC will and will not accept. You can get Power of Attorney Authorization Notices from AKC. This will cover all litters and dogs owned or co-owned by the person granting power of attorney. Be aware this is good for a PERIOD OF ONE YEAR ONLY. When you fill this out, do not type in all the info. Try to list the dogs in your own handwriting--I had someone tell me that AKC prefers more than just your signature on the paper. One signature could be easily copied, but if your dogs' names and numbers are written in your own hand as well, there should be no doubt.

If I place a dog with a single person, I ask them to leave a note somewhere (I prefer the refrigerator, much to my husband's dismay) in case something happens and they don't get home. A number of someone who can take the dog until all is normal again is a great relief to the owner as well as the dog. When I place rescue dogs who are up in years, I try to explain about euthanasia and where to have it done. So many people out here take Fluffy to the shelter to be put down. I wonder how many know that their little

(Cont'd on page 57)

# Wyndlor

sends congratulations to

*Jeanne and Robert Blank*

*on their well deserved kennel visit.*

*We are ABSOLUTELY thrilled  
with our new additions:*

*Absolute's Hot Wheels*

*Absolute's Rev It Up*

*Absolute's Easy Rider*

*(Ch. Jan-Shar's Harley Davidson  
x Jan-Shar's Madonna)*

*and*

*Absolute's Magic Mist*

*(Ch. Absolute's Magic Mountain*

*x Lyngayle's Sizzlin Wizz Kid*

*co-bred by Jeanne and Gayle Vautaw)*

*A big thank you for these four sweeties!*

*Becky Sabourin  
2814 Blackhurst Road  
Midland, MI 48640  
(517) 832-3408*

# Top Poms List 1994

## Group Points

Dog's Name	Owner	Group	Breed
01 Ch Glen Iris Castle Rock.....	Work/Taylor/Jackson ...	13866.....	1414
02 Ch Finch's He Walks On Water.....	Diane Finch.....	11805.....	804
03 Ch HHH Texas Two Step.....	H Ramirez.....	5429.....	493
04 Ch Watts' Little Nicodemus.....	R Koppel.....	4694.....	490
05 Ch Linchris Genghis Pom.....	L Brogoitti.....	3831.....	470
06 Ch Starfire's I'm Too Sexy.....	J Cabrera.....	3503.....	309
07 Ch Creider's Prince Dom Perignon.....	M & M Koga.....	2449.....	180
08 Ch Treasured Dean's Hi Hierarchy.....	D Hebert.....	2288.....	353
09 Ch Jan-Shar's Doc Holiday.....	B & P Stroud.....	1910.....	439
10 Ch Jan-Le's Willie Makit.....	J Lehtinen.....	1636.....	214
11 Ch Nanshadow Mark Of Oakridge.....	N Burnette/ N Epps.....	1160.....	247
12 Ch McGuire's Wish Upon A Star.....	J Kern.....	1054.....	174
13 Ch Wee Paws Pure Gold.....	S Mulinax.....	926.....	192
14 Ch Rodi's Rocky Road.....	D Solano.....	819.....	292
15 Ch Watts' Little Socrates.....	D Watts.....	672.....	264
16 Ch VIP's Dixieland Delight.....	Smith/Greedy.....	648.....	227
17 Ch Wattle's Legacy of Homestead.....	McCracken/Purvis.....	643.....	128
18 Ch Odyssey Keno Wiz.....	Lucido/Machline.....	636.....	147
19 Ch Valcopy-Wakhan Valentino.....	Plonkey/Gemmill.....	600.....	211

## Breed Points

01 Ch Glen Iris Castle Rock.....	Work/Taylor/Jackson ...	13866.....	1414
02 Ch Finch's He Walks On Water.....	D Finch.....	11805.....	804
03 Ch HHH Texas Two Step.....	H Ramirez.....	5429.....	493
04 Ch Watts' Little Nicodemus.....	R Koppel.....	4694.....	490
05 Ch Linchris Genghis Pom.....	L Brogoitti.....	3831.....	470
06 Ch Jan-Shar's Doc Holiday.....	B & P Stroud.....	1910.....	439
07 Ch Glen Iris Luckdragon.....	T & S Goddard.....	338.....	398
08 Ch Treasured Dean's Hi Hierarchy.....	D Hebert.....	2288.....	353
09 Ch Starfire's I'm Too Sexy.....	J Cabrera.....	3503.....	309
10 Ch Rodi's Mr Rocky Road.....	D Solano.....	819.....	292
11 Ch Absolute's Magic Mountain.....	R & J Blank.....	281.....	287
12 Ch Watts' Little Socrates.....	D Watts.....	672.....	264
13 Ch Nanshadow Mark of Oakridge.....	N Burnette & N Epps.....	1160.....	247
14 Ch VIP's Dixieland Delight.....	Smith & Greedy.....	648.....	227
15 Ch Valcopy-Wakhan Hot Gossip.....	Strasbaugh/Gemmill/Plonkey.....	260.....	227
16 Ch Jan-Le's Willie Makit.....	J Lehtinen.....	1636.....	214
17 Ch Valcopy-Wakhan Valentino.....	Plonkey & Gemmill.....	600.....	211
18 Ch Jan-Shar's Harley Davidson.....	S Hanson.....	531.....	209
19 Ch Jan-Shar's I Feel Lucky.....	S Hanson.....	412.....	206
20 Ch Tim Sue's Luck of Texican.....	E Moureau.....	461.....	206

While we have compiled this report with care, we do not claim absolute accuracy. This is not the method for choosing the APC Annual Awards.

Jean B. Schroll, Columnist



friend will first be dragged through a dip tank and then put in a concrete stall to shiver and cry for THREE DAYS until someone finally puts it out of its misery. It's the law. How much kinder for Fluffy to go the vet in his owner's arms and be gently sedated first with his owner holding him. I wish the Vets would explain this option to all their patients on the initial visit. There are a lot of pet people who think the only thing to do is go to the shelters and drop them off.

\*\*\*\*\*

As your new Judges' Education Coordinator, I have one thing to say, "Hhhhelp!"

Members are needed to present breed material at Judges' workshops. This material is available to anyone who has been asked to put on a seminar by writing the JEC and requesting it. There are many of you who are very capable of presenting your breed and sharing your years of experience with interested parties.

It's a lot easier than you think. Just bring a bunch of Poms for them to go over and go through the Standard. You'd be surprised at what you have to offer and what you can learn by doing this.

Have you had a problem with a judge lately? Did a judge tell you that your dog was not an acceptable color when you knew it was? You probably won't get anywhere arguing BUT, if you let us know, we can contact the judge and get it cleared up so it doesn't happen again.

Your Board is here to serve you. Use it any time. Thanks for the opportunity to serve on the Board.

Guess I'd better get going. We're moving this week (note new address at top) and still have lots to do.

**Poms Away,  
Linda**



## Ursula's Canine Kitchen

by Ursula R. Taylor  
602 Wildey Road  
Seaford, VA 23696-2660

I have compiled a considerable collection of doggy treats and dishes. I hope that what is submitted here will be of use to you.

### Puppy Go Away

Yield: 6 servings

- 1/4 c oil of cloves
- 1 T paprika
- 1 t black pepper

Mix the oil, paprika and pepper and pour it into a small container with a tight-fitting lid. Label and keep away from children.

To use: Dab it on your furniture legs, chairs, tables, rugs to discourage puppies from getting on the furniture. The scent will wear off after awhile; you may have to reapply it if your puppy isn't completely trained.

This solution works to keep puppies away from furniture and rugs. The scent isn't distasteful to people, only to ultra-"scent"-sitive puppies.

(From Cheaper & Better by Nancy Birnes)

### Homemade Dog Biscuits

Yield: one batch

- 2 1/4 c whole wheat flour
- 1 egg
- 1/2 c vegetable oil
- 1 T brown sugar
- 1/2 c nonfat dry milk powder
- 1/4 c liver powder (get at Health Food Stores)
- 1 each beef bouillon cube --
- dissolved in
- 1/2 c hot water

Mix all ingredients well. Knead for 2 minutes. Roll to 1/4 inch thick and cut with cutters of desired shapes. Bake on ungreased cookie sheet for 30 minutes at 300 degrees. Cool on rack. Yields about 4 dozen biscuits.

### Baby Food Dog Treats

- 1 c wheat germ oil
- 2 jars meat baby food

Mix both together until you have a stiff dough. Form into balls and place on cookie sheet. Flatten with a fork. Bake at 350 degrees for 20-35 minutes until desired hardness. Can be frozen.

(Submitted by Linda Satterfield)

### Multi-Grain Dog Biscuits

- 3 1/2 c all purpose flour
- 2 c whole wheat flour
- 1 c tye flour
- 1 c corn meal
- 2 c cracked wheat
- 1/2 c nonfat dry milk
- 1 t salt--or less
- 1 pk dry yeast
- 1 boiling water
- 1 pt chicken or beef broth
- 1 egg beaten w/1 T milk

Combine dry ingredients in large bowl. Add yeast and broth, mix thoroughly. Knead until you have a stiff dough. Roll dough into 1/4 inch sheets, cut biscuits into desired shapes. Place on baking sheet. Bake in a 300 degree oven for 45 minutes. Turn off oven and leave in oven overnight.

You can alter recipe by adding molasses or honey, delete salt, add vitamins, add fat or margarine and adding more eggs.

(Posted on Prodigy by Linda Satterfield)

### Misty's Treats

- 1 c oats, rolled
- 1/3 c butter
- 1 c water
- 3/4 c cornmeal
- 1 T sugar
- 1 t bouillon, beef
- 1/2 c milk
- 4 oz cheese, cheddar, shredded
- 1 egg, beaten

### 3 c flour, whole wheat

Boil water. Combine oats, butter, and water. Let stand ten minutes. Stir in corn meal, sugar, bouillon, milk, cheese, and egg. Mix well. Add flour, a cup at a time, mixing well after each addition to form a stiff dough. On floured surface, knead in remaining flour until dough is smooth and no longer sticky, 3 to 4 minutes. Roll or pat out dough to 1/2-inch thickness. Cut with bone shaped cookie cutter. Place 1-inch apart on a greased cookie sheet. Bake in pre-heated 325 degree oven 35 to 45 minutes or until golden brown. Cool completely.

(From David Hicks. Source: Josie Minerich, Denver Post)

### Alfie and Archie's Dog Biscuits

- 1 1/2 c flour, whole wheat
- 1/2 c powdered milk
- 1/2 t salt
- 1/2 t garlic powder
- 1 t sugar, brown
- 6 T meat drippings or margarine
- 1 egg, beaten
- 1/2 c ice water

Preheat oven to 350. Lightly oil a cookie sheet. Combine flour, powdered milk, salt, garlic powder, and sugar. Add enough water so that mixture forms a ball. Using your fingers, pat out dough on to cookie sheet to half inch thick. Cut with cookie cutter or knife and remove scraps. Scraps can be formed again and baked. Bake 25-30 minutes. Remove tray and cool on rack.

(From Clarence Fontish. Source: Cookiemania)

### Bowser Biscuits

- 1 pk dry yeast
- 1/2 c warm water
- 2 c warm chicken or beef broth
- 1/2 c powdered milk
- 1/4 c margarine or hamburger grease
- 1/4 c honey
- 1 egg, beaten
- 1/4 t salt

(Cont'd on page 60)

## Pom Shoppe

Quantity	Price	Item
01 .....	\$ 2.50 .....	Plaster Pom earrings (orange) pierced
03 .....	4.00 .....	IAM's Pet Foods Grooming Aprons w/pockets (red)
06 .....	3.00 .....	Dolls w/crocheted dresses (toilet tissue) white, green, rose & white, brown & cream, beige, green & white
17 .....	25.00 .....	Pedigree Books from Great Elms (141) pages
01 .....	25.00 .....	Prodigy Membership (IBM compatible, v. 3.2)
15 .....	3.00 .....	Note cards and envelopes w/Pom by Babe '86
01 .....	2.50 .....	Wooden Pom Figurine w/smoked mirror
14 .....	5.00 .....	Small key ring w/Pom head on white tile
11 .....	6.00 .....	Lucite full Pom figure key ring
01 .....	7.50 .....	Rubber stamp--full Pom w/ribbon in mouth
52 .....	5.00 .....	APC membership pens
.....	3.00 .....	APC Decals (set=one large and two small)

**Bess P. Roberts: 15802 Letcher Road; Brandywine, MD 20613**

**Winning Best Puppy in Match at  
Savannah KC 9/25/94 and also at  
Hilton Head KC 11/6/94.**

**At the APC February Specialty, he  
placed 3rd in the Sweepstakes 6-9  
month class and 2nd in the regular  
6-9 month class with Pam  
Campbell Dziuk.**

**At the Hendersonville KC on  
2/17/95, he won his first two points  
by going Best of Winners. He's on  
his way!**



**Stella M. Lizambri  
133 Camelot Drive  
Goose Creek, SC  
(803) 553-0188**

**Liberte Pomeranians  
presents...**



**Liberte Devil Made Me Do It**

## Puget Sound Pomeranian Club Specialty

by Janell Reich

2 c all purpose flour  
1 c corn meal  
1 c wheat germ  
2 c cracked wheat  
4 c whole wheat flour

In small bowl, dissolve yeast in warm water. In large bowl combine broth, powdered milk, margarine, honey, egg, and salt. Add yeast/water and mix well. Stir in flour, corn meal, wheat germ, and cracked wheat. Mix well. Add whole wheat flour, 1/2 cup at a time, mixing well after each addition. Knead in the final amounts of flour by hand and continue kneading for 4 or 5 minutes until dough is not sticky. Pat or roll dough to 1/2 inch thickness and cut into bone shapes. Place on a greased cookie sheet, cover lightly and let set for 20 minutes. Bake in a 350 degree oven for 45 minutes. Turn off heat and leave in oven several hours or over night. Makes approximately 3 1/2 pounds.

### Microwave Doggie Doughnuts

2 c whole wheat flour  
1 egg, lightly beaten  
2/3 c beef or chicken broth  
3 T oatmeal  
1 t garlic powder

Place flour in a bowl, add eggs and broth, mix well. Blend in oatmeal and garlic powder. Roll dough into a ball, roll out on a lightly floured surface to 1/2 inches thick. Cut with small doughnut cutters. Reroll scraps and repeat. Shape last bits by hand.

Arrange rings on a shallow baking dish or on a sheet of parchment paper in a single layer. Cook on high 10 minutes or until firm. Let cool until hardened. Store in covered container when dog is not looking.

(From Linda Satterfield)



We hope to see many of you out at our specialty at Brush Prairie, Thursday, July 13, 1995. Our judges will be conformation/junior showmanship Mrs. Olmos-Olivier; Obedience, Mrs. N. Gonc-Cartwright; Sweepstakes, Blake Jones. Our superintendent is Brown. The contact person was wrong in the last issue; it is Ingrida Gasaway (206) 843-1543. All this is pending AKC approval, of course. The Columbia Pomeranian Club will have their specialty with obedience on Friday with Jean Schroll as Show Secretary. Saturday through Monday are all-breed shows at Brush Prairie. In addition, there are all-breed shows near by the weekend prior including that Monday.

This last year has been a busy one. Our January Specialty was written up in the last issue, and the specialty was devoted to the memory of long time pomeranian breeder/fancier Shirley Bradley. Not mentioned in the list of winning trophies for the January, '95 specialty was Best Bred-by trophy in the name of Shirley Bradley. It was won by Cinnakee's Tango in the Nite owned by Cathy and Garry Cinnamon. Alecia Heggerston and Jean Schroll presented the trophy. Also left out of the last Review report was our Best Puppy in Regular Classes, Daystar FG Diamond in the Ruff owned by Karen Power and Patricia Foxx.

In the Fall and Winter, we lost two more members--Loren Pinnt passed away and shortly after, his wife Joyce passed on.

At our last club meeting, we brought up again the need for our club to start pom rescue work. If any club could write me or an article to the Review on how yours is set up, it may help us get started.

I would like to apologize to the judges and winners of our July specialty for my unforgivable procrastination. I keep missing the deadlines. The following is the overdue results of our fabulous summer 1994 specialty. This show was

dedicated to the memory of Lewis Negri. We were honored to have Darrell Baker and his lovely wife Olga. Mr Baker did a wonderful job of judging all the conformation poms. Best of Breed was **Ch. Valcopy-Wakhan Valentino** owned by Dana Plonkey and Randy Gemmill. Best Opposite Sex was **Elan's Madonna** owned by David and Melissa Dahlenburg and shown by Erika Moureau. Best of Winners was **Apolloette Afternoon Delight** owned by Carolyn LaTorre and shown by Marlin Presser. Best Puppy in Regular Classes was **Sungold's Style Breaker** owned by Anna LaFortune. Best in Sweeps was **Autumn's Peterbilt a Porsche** owned by Patricia Foxx and Emily Untalan. Best Opposite in Sweeps was won by **Zurna's Top Flight of Daystar** owned by Karen Powers and Kristie Wheeler. High in Trial was won by **Ollie Blue Bluster CDX, TD** shown and owned by Ann Griffith and owned also by Randall Morris. Best Junior Handler was **Brian Sweeney** showing **Aija's Singleoak Hot Stuff** owned by Doreen Barry.



**Winners Bltch and Best Opposite  
Elan's Madonna**



**Best of Winners  
Apolloette Afternoon Delight**



**Best of Breed  
Ch. Valcopy-Wakhan Valentino**



**Best in Sweepstakes  
Autumn's Peterbilt a Porsche**



**Best Junior Handler  
Brian McSweeney**



**High in Trial  
Ollie Blue Bluster CDX, TD**



## Kind Kollar



### Be Kind To Your Dog...

- Sheepskin under the neck
- Easy on the trachea--doesn't shut off breathing
- Excellent for lead training and the show ring

**Your dog will bless the day you bought a...**

### Kind Kollar!

47" Nylon Show Lead..... \$15.00

(Black/White/Brown)

48" Cordo Hyde ..... \$17.00

(Black, White, Camel, Brown, Grey)

**\$2.00 each shipping and handling**

**\$.50 each additional lead**

I'm wearing a  
Kind Kollar-  
Thanks Mom!



### Dixie Bletch

13640 SE Hwy 212, Sp 70  
Clackamas, OR 97015  
(503) 655-9314

*Thank you, Jay Ammon, for  
the idea and design.*

## **AKC Announces Companion Animal Recovery Program**

**Contact: Noreen Baxter**  
**Director of Communications**  
**(212) 696-8336**

March 8, 1995--New York, NY--AKC announced today that it has joined forces with Schering-Plough pharmaceutical company to bring the benefits of microchip technology to a nationwide animal identification and recovery program. Schering-Plough will market the Destron microchip, under the name "Home Again," through veterinary practices. AKC will provide database management services for a national animal recovery program under the name "AKC Companion Animal Recovery."

The heart of this system is a rice-sized microchip, encased in biocompatible glass. The microchip is inert, has no active parts and is encoded with an unalterable ID number. It is inserted by injection beneath the skin between the dog's withers and read when a scanner is passed over the dog.

As the database manager, AKC will provide 24-hour-a-day 800 number service for recovery. The recovery system will also be accessible by fax or e-mail. Any animal identified with the Destron chip will be eligible for enrollment in the recovery service. Enrollment forms will be sealed in the microchip package which will also include a corresponding collar tag.

This identification and recovery program will be launched in late spring. For further information, contact Robert Keely, Director of Microchips, by FAX at (919) 233-3627.

### **Question and Answers**

#### **Q: Will microchip identification be mandatory by AKC?**

A: There are no present plans to require microchip identification for AKC registration or for participating in AKC events.

#### **Q: Can I use microchips to satisfy AKC requirements for identification?**

A: Yes. remember, current AKC regulations require you to have a scanner on the premises. Also, the identifying microchip number be kept on the dog or litter record.

#### **Q: How can I buy a microchip and enroll in the recovery system?**

A: Destron microchips will be marketed to veterinarians by Schering-Plough. They will not be sold the general public.

#### **Q: What is the cost for the microchipping and recovery program?**

A: There is a one-time fee of \$12.50 per pet for lifetime enrollment in the recovery system. The cost of the chip itself and the vet's fee for implantation are separate from the recovery enrollment.

#### **Q: What if I move or transfer a pet? Will there be a charge to update the recovery database?**

A: Yes, there will be a \$6.00 fee per new owner for a transfer if all transfers are submitted at the same time. Also, there is a \$6.00 fee per owner for corrections or changes of address.

#### **Q: What about other means of identification for enrollment in the recovery database?**

A: Although microchips are preferred, animals with tattoos are also eligible.

#### **Q: Is this program just for purebred dogs?**

A: No, any animal, cat or dog, positively identified may enroll in the recovery program.

#### **Q: I want more information about the technical aspects of the microchip. Who shall I call?**

A: Details about further contacts for technical and medical information will be announced in the near future.

## Behind The New Titlists

Three generation pedigrees of new Pomeranian Titlists will be printed free if sent in by the owner. Please send the dog's name, sex, owner's name, and breeder's name on a separate sheet of paper. Please type or print legibly. Send copies of pedigrees that don't need to be returned. Mail all information to the Editor.

### **Ch Ra-Joy's Parti Oreo**

Black and White Parti female

Breeder: Gary P. Mulinax

Owner: Roberta Kerr

Sweetheart's Choco Smores

Sweetheart's Choco Smores II

Scott Heida

### **Sunset's Blue Denim**

Carolyn's Onyx Star

Lady Onyx

Carolyn's Savanah

Sweetheart's Choco Smores II

Sunset's Blue Denim

Lady Onyx

### **Wee Paw's Southern Queen**

Hupka's Mr Giggilo

Hupka's Lil' Chablis

Frank's Loma Lady Ebony

### **Ch Blossom Heights Jackpot (M)**

### **Ch Blossom Heights Dynamite (F)**

Orange Male and Female

Breeder: Arlene F. and John S. Benko

Ch Annon's Spittin Image

Ch Homestead's Spit N' Polish

Ch Homestead's Pretty Petal

### **Ch Blossom Heights Firecracker**

McGuire's Fantasy Super Star

Blossom Heights Bolero

McGuire's Love Disco Girl

Ch Millamor's Rock Music

Ch Millamor's Mood Music

Millamor's Judy Brown

### **Blossom Heights McGuire's Amy**

McGuire's Dandy Randy

Bobby's Cuddles

Angie XVII

### **Ch Kneisler's Nicki's Tradition**

Orange Female

Breeder: Claudette Confer

Owner: C Breaux & M Kneisler

Ch Millamor's Trademark

Ch Millamor's Mark Tradition

Millamor's Sparkling Music

### **Ch Rock N Tradition of Oakridge**

Ch De Arta's Rock Dancer

Rock Dancers Little Rock

De Arta's Dancing Moon Gold

Ch Chricendo City Lights

Ch Primrose City Limits

Rosewood Gold Mite Brass Ring

### **Kneisler's Top Notch Megan**

Allayn's Rock Revival

Kneisler's Top Notch Nikki

Allayn's Top Secret

### **Ch Conjer's Baron Von Batman**

Orange Male

Breeder: Connie and Jerry Brown

Owner: Bonnie McIntosh-Taylor and Daniel Taylor, Jr.

Ch Sun Ray's Ambassador ROM

Ch Sun Ray's Gold Banner

Sun Ray's Lil Dovie

### **Elegant's Baron Von Ruff-Ruff**

Ch Sun Ray's Ambassador ROM

Elegant's Cotton Candy

Sun Ray's Miss Ora-Tan

Ch Sun Ray's Ambassador ROM

Ch Sun Ray's Batman

Sun Ray's Lil Dovie

### **Tori's Elegant Orange Blossom**

Ch Queenaire Coup D'Etat

Tori's Red Velvet Button

Jubilee Lady Beth

Views expressed by individual contributors are their own and not necessarily those of the Editor or American Pomeranian Club.

We invite our Readers to express their views on all pertinent subjects.



*Smaller than the average cat...  
Able to walk through chain link...(at  
least when he was a pup!)  
Not your average pom....*

## It's Stealie Man!

by Julie Clemen

Stealer as he's know (aka, ILP name--He's a Heart Stealer) was one of 65 dogs rescued from a local puppy mill. He was bout 5 weeks old at the time of his rescue. It all started at the vets when he was being cleaned up (he was full of bugs and scabs). In the tub he had an attack--hypoglycemia that is. My friend was washing him and she thought he had died on her and was hysterical. Luckily, I was next to her bathing another dog and knew exactly what was happening. I then proceeded to run around the vet clinic like a chicken with its head cut off looking for sugar! I was given Nutra Cal and that did the trick and brought him to consciousness again.

After putting some weight on Stealer (he didn't know how to eat dog food yet, so he got ground up dry food mixed with milk replacement formula), it was time to worm him. I used a vet recommended wormer and 4 hours after I gave it to him, the worms appeared. They were longer than he was and they were stuck. I had to help him pass these critters because he had so many, and they were so large he couldn't get them out. After removing the vermin, he went into shock from all the toxins they left in his system. But we pulled him through that too. Once again the dog of Steal came through.

Stealer's next adventure involved one of his housemates, a very rambunctious 70-pound German Shepherd puppy. They were playing on the bed. He never saw it coming, but smack-ker-thunk, he was on the floor. The Shepherd's tail had knocked him off the bed, head first on to the floor! Poor Stealie had a severe concussion and couldn't walk a straight line. But, true to his name, he bounced back!

Stealer has grown up now and weighs 5

pounds. he an orange and sable parti with a black face mask. His favorite pastime is licking his "dad" in the face (non-stop for 5 minutes). He also has this very un-dog like talk. It sounds like nothing I've ever heard come out of a dog. Stealer also has a passion for M & M's (yes, I know they are especially bad for small dogs) and this love lead him into his next incident.

I was having a sinus attack and went to take some sudafed (for those of you who don't know, sudafed looks like small, red M & Ms). It comes in a foil bubble pack. I was having trouble popping the little hummer out of the package; it finally came out. Unfortunately, it flew right by me on to the floor and guess who thought it as an M & M? Yep, Stealie Man gulped it down before I could move or say a word! By the time I got hold of a vet, it had been too long to make him throw it up, so Stealer got very hyped up like on a mega overdose of caffeine. He kept me up all night long. I learned a very important tip--when in doubt, make them throw up! You can use ipicap syrup or hydrogen peroxide. There is one time you shouldn't make them throw up and I will get to that story later.

Stealer's love for chocolate got him into trouble again, when for Christmas, I received a box of cherry cordial chocolates. I inadvertently left them on the coffee table all closed up. Stealer's other nickname is mountain goat. He can climb up on anything! This acrobatic feature aided him in his next adventure. He got up on the coffee table and pushed the box of chocolates off the table, got the lid off, and ate seven of them. Did I mention two of his housemates were with him, but neither one touched the chocolates. No doubt due to Stealer's possessiveness. By the time I got back it had proven too much for his system, and there were thousands of little chocolate/cherry lakes all over the house and one very empty water dish. By the way, this didn't change his love for chocolate either.

Stealer loves water and will even jump in the shower. When I soak in the tub, he

Continued on page 69

# Tips & Yaps

## Handling Style

If I could combine the brilliant perfection of Joy Brewster, the grace and confidence of Jackie Rayner, the delicate sensuality of Nina Work, the poetry in motion of Koz Hosaka, and the casual elegance of Jimmy Moses I would be a wonderful handler.

I tried to combine these styles once and looked like a frog stuck in the mud! I'm striving for my own style.

I constantly seek out these professionals and try to learn all I can from them. The one thing I did learn was each dog is an individual and his needs come first. Special attention to each dog brings out his best. That's what makes you successful.

I am deeply in love with showing dogs. Every aspect of dog shows fascinates me. From the setup to the tear down; from the first morning exercise (yes! even the scooping), to the final grooming touches before entering the ring and especially when the judge points to me for the prize. It's all wonderful. I love it all!

Elizabeth Kerr

The American Kennel Club  
51 Madison Avenue  
New York, NY 10010

## To Whom It May Concern:

After watching the Westminster Kennel Club show on television this past week, I felt compelled to write this letter. I'm not usually one to complain, but, I was so disappointed at what is happening to the Pomeranian breed, I cannot just sit by quietly and let this continue without voicing my opinion. I feel I have the right to point out an injustice to the American Pomeranian Club (APC) as well as the breeders and exhibitors of the Pomeranian all over this country. I am a member and past officer of APC, as well as the founder, past president, and current Vice-President of the Pomeranian Club of Greater Baltimore, Inc. I have bred two Best in Show Pomeranians, several group and specialty winners, and many champions over the past twenty-eight years.

The topic of this letter is "EXCESSIVE TRIMMING." I ask you to get a tape of the 1988 Westminster Kennel Club show and

compare the Pom that won Best in Show to the Pom that was in the group this year. I'm not talking about the merits or demerits of either dog; I'm speaking strictly on the trimming. To get a truly exquisite feeling of the beauty of the Pom put your video on slow motion, notice the beauty and fluid elegance of the 1988 Pom as his flowing hair keeps in time with body action. Watch how lovely and typically Pomeranian he is as the "...long hair or feathering..." bounces off his hocks as he moves. That is the essence of why I chose the Pomeranian to devote my life to promoting. How can you look at that tape and not just want to eat him up?

I have to ask you (the AKC) why do you require the parent clubs of each breed to submit standards for their breed if AKC is not going to instruct the judges (LICENSED BY AKC) to adhere to those standards? The Pomeranian standard clearly states: "**Trimming:** Trimming for neatness is permissible around the feet and up the back of the legs to the first joint; trimming of unruly hairs on the edges of the ears and around the anus is also permissible. Over trimming (beyond the location and amount described in the breed standard) should be heavily penalized. **Leg Coat:** The front legs are well feathered and the hindquarters are clad with long hair or feathering from the top of the rump to the hocks."

There is nothing in the paragraph on trimming that says to cut off the desired "long hair or feathering from the top of the rump to the hocks," or trim closely the front legs that are--well feathered. It clearly says if you will notice in the first sentence "...up the back of the legs to the first joint..." Neither do I see anything about cutting off all the hair on the chest, sides, or stomach. I have seen Poms shown with the hair shaved clear around the root of the tail almost Poodle-like in appearance. If you will look at the tape of the Pom shown this year, you can see that he was trimmed practically all over his body. The hair when it is cut, gives a frizzed appearance because the hair shaft is blunt from being cut rather than ending naturally. I don't want you to think I am against trimming. On the contrary, when I trim Poms for show, I spend hours working on them. When I get finished they look nice, but don't look trimmed--they just look neat. I don't change the natural appearance of the Pom just make what is there look better.

I would like AKC to explain to me and the APC why they do not oversee the judges they license. If they would enforce the requirements of the judges to follow the breed standards, and

penalize the ones who give points or best of breed wins, this practice of EXCESSIVE TRIMMING would soon stop.

I am not a lone voice in this blatant disregard of our breed standard. If you want to see for yourself, just do a nexus search of all the Pom Magazines for the past ten years and see how many Pom breeders, exhibitors, and APC members are complaining about this problem. Month after month you can read the frustration in their letters. I know for a fact, from being an officer, the APC has been confounded with written letters and trying to discourage exhibitors from exhibiting, and judges from pointing excessively trimmed Poms but to no avail.

I put before you a supposition--suppose a group of handlers decided to start showing Dachshunds that were shorter in length of back than the standard calls for. If those handlers were well known and had a lot of clout in the dog show world, there would be judges that would put them up. Soon other judges would follow suit and a trend might form. The Dachshund appearance would not be as the standard states and surely the Dachshund fanciers would be outraged. Would AKC sit idly by and see the Dachshund breed change significantly, or would you instruct your licensed judges that this practice would not be tolerated. Well, you should not tolerate what is happening to the Pomeranian.

I believe the AKC should step in and stop this wanton disregard for the Pomeranian standard. Please take the time to compare the two AKC tapes and see for yourself what is happening to the breed. If there are enough people in the Pom world that want to change the standard, then so be it, but until that time the judges should be required to follow the standard. I don't need a personal answer to this letter, but I definitely think the APC certainly deserves one.

Copies of this letter are going to all Pomeranian Magazines in this country, the AKC Gazette, the APC, and all regional Pom clubs.

I thank you very much for your time, and I hope we can finally come to some resolution to this problem.

Thank you,

Dianne Johnson  
2901 Putty Hill Road  
Baltimore, MD 21234

Pom Humor

Growing up with a dog enthusiast for a Mom is not often easy. Recently, my teenager Marie, was suffering with a horrible strep throat. Since she has several medication allergies, we have to keep the cures simple.

Remembering one of Grandmom's remedies I walked into Marie's room with a Vic's ointment jar and clean cloth. After Marie liberally spread this guck over her chest, don't know what possessed me to say, "Do you want to hear what we use this for with dogs?" Her eyes grew wide as she proclaimed, "Tell me that this really is **people medicine!**" I assured her it was...but it also has a purpose for dogs...and before I could finish the sentence...pointing to her chest, Marie exclaimed, "I'll never talk to you again if you tell me it **grows coat!!!**"

Marge Kranzfelder

Dear Dolly,

When we asked to add a Best Bred-by-Exhibitor in Show award, we hoped it would change the popularity of the Bred-by-Exhibitor classes--particularly by our supporting the award with exceptional prizes. This year, I think we saw a change, particularly in bitches.

Last year was the first year the award was offered, and we wanted to make it a really special award. We were happy you agreed that it was a quite nice award by having us stand up at the dinner in Dallas and describe the award: a 14 karat gold disk with a loop for hanging on a neck chain. We especially ordered it through Caldwell Jewelers at Christiana, Delaware, because we wanted one that was quite thick to take engraving on both sides. We were sorry not to be able to include a nice neck chain, but the disk cost us \$110, and at the time we felt this was quite a substantial amount for one award. We chose it thinking it would be suitable for a man or a woman. Jackie Kline was the winner last year, and she wrote us the most charming thank you note with details on how she had had it engraved and asking for the history of the award. A copy of the note is attached.

This year we offered a set of six Royal Doulton hand cut lead crystal sherry stems in a very nice satin lined box which I had written to you for your approval this same time last year. The winner was Tony Cabrera, and he was quite pleased with them. Thank you for telling

me at the time of the photograph what a nice prize it was.

When I receive a copy of the photograph, I will be placing an ad in the Review. However, I think everyone will be dismayed to see the ribbon the judge is holding for the Best Bred-by-Exhibitor in Show. There was no ribbon supplied by APC for this award and a little pink puppy sweeps ribbon was given to the judge to hold. I would like to ask that an appropriate ribbon be given in 1996 and as we have offered to fund this award, we will be more than happy to pay for the ribbon also.

I have already ordered the prize for next year with your approval, as usual. It is a ceramic pom on a field with some flowers and a ribbon for Best BBE. The exact description will be supplied to Tim Goddard, who is Show Chairman for 1996, when it is received.

Sincerely,  
Melissa Dahlenburg

Dear Melissa and David,

I'm writing to thank you for offering the gold medallion for BBE class at the APC February Specialty. As you probably know, my youngster, "Cruise," won it on his way to becoming WD and BOW that day.

I wanted you to know I've had it engraved with his name, "Silver Meadows Jus' Crusin'" on one side and "APC, 2/13/94" on the other. It's very pretty, and I've already worn it twice on a 24 Karat gold chain.

It seemed to me it was such an unusual trophy; there must be a story behind it? Am hoping you will share it with me, if so.

Again, Sincere thanks,  
Jackie Klein

Dear Mrs. Shearer and APC

I'm writing to thank you for the wonderful plaque awarded to my Pom on his Top Utility achievement. It's wonderful that a National Club recognizes top poms in many categories and sees fit to reward this achievement with such a beautiful memento.

This is the second time Bobby (Driftwood Love That Bob UD) has achieved Top Pom status, and the plaque received will join the others on a special place on the wall.

Thanks again for this recognition.

Sincerely,  
Marian Lazzara and Bobby

Dear Judy,

We received an APC certificate for our pomeranian bitch in this week's mail. It states she was #8 bitch in 1994. What a surprise. Thank you very much for this certificate.

Enclosed you will find a copy of our record of her AKC points. Although she has 15 points which includes a 5-point major, she needs a second major to complete her AKC championship.

You may be interested to know that she and her brother (Ch. TLC Bon Jovi) completed the requirements necessary for their Mexican and International championships in January, 1994, at Mexicali, Baja, California. We had a fantastic time that week-end and became more educated about dog events/people.

God bless you in your efforts in the dog game. Again, thank you.

Sincerely,  
Daniel and Margaret Ontiveros

Dear Editor:

I understand there is quite a controversy about the trim done on the Pom that went BOB at the recent Specialty and the Pom class at Westminster.

The owner has worked hard to breed a dog of this quality, and has always been a friend to others, willing to help people without a negative thing to say. It really upsets me to know there are people out there in Poms that can treat someone this bad. I think it is wonderful that a relative new-comer can breed, train, and handle his own dog to these quality wins. It lets the rest of us know it can be done without the added expense of a handler. Unfortunately, after all the negative response, it could be a very expensive series of wins in terms of friendships lost. How sad!

One would think a judge is qualified after all his training, testing, and experience. After all, the coat does not make the dog, it only beautifies the animal. We all should be able to tell the quality of a Pom by watching it move, by feel, etc., as long as the coat is the proper texture. In fact, the judge should be more able to see faults on an "overtrimmed" dog.

Come on, folks, let's get that trimming requirement out of the standard. I really don't think anyone will show up in ring with a "poodle cut" Pom.

Let's concentrate on the problems that really count in our breed--bad rears, bad fronts, open fontenals, bites, stifles, skin disease, etc. Isn't this more important?

As breeders, we must be able to please

ourselves, as well as stick to the Standard, and trimming is done per personal preference.

Please, folks, let's all try to be friends who love these wonderful little dogs. Let's congratulate the winners, and if we lose, let's try to breed and show better Poms. And remember, no one dog wins all the time. Maybe tomorrow will be your day. After all, it is the judge's choice.

Hopefully, I didn't upset anyone, I just hate to see good people hurt. We wish all of you a winning 1995.

Barb Nagy  
Rhea-Na Poms

#### Continued from page 65

loves to walk the edge of the tub pacing back and forth pondering if he should jump in or not! One day my tub wasn't draining properly, so I poured a leading drain opener down it. I was standing in the bathroom blowing my hair dry. In the mirror I could see Stealer jump into the tub; then, it hit me, I had put poison down the drain. Too late--he licked it. I got him out of the tub and ran him to the kitchen, turned on the faucet, pried him mouth open, and ran water through his mouth. I took him out of the sink and gave him Mocha Mix (I'm allergic to milk, and all I had was creamer), anything to coat his stomach. This is the one time you NEVER make dog or kid throw up after ingesting something caustic. Again, true to his name, he bounced back none the worse for wear but he probably has sink phobia.

The scary part is Stealer is just over a year old. I have had dogs for 20 years and have NEVER gone through what this rascal has put me through. I hope I live through his next 15 years!

Many,  
Many  
Congratulations  
to  
Jeanne and Robert  
on their  
Kennel Visit!  
They are  
excellent  
Breeders,  
Exhibitors,  
Handlers!  
Your many friends  
wish  
you  
the very best.



#### The Effects of Sedation on Sperm

Evidence supports that semen collection by ejaculation alone and by ejaculation with xylazine tranquilizers can cause significant numbers of sperm to flow into the urinary bladder and be excluded from the semen evaluation.

Realistically, this could result in a falsely inadequate sperm count on a breeding soundness evaluation, and lower the numbers of sperm available for artificial insemination. In general, xylazine, and possibly other tranquilizers in its class, are undesirable to use when collecting semen or breeding.

## Back Issues

**Margaret R. McKee; 2426 Sandy Hook Road;  
Goochland, VA 23063; (804) 556-3380**

If you want earlier issues of the **Pomeranian Review**, order back issues from Margaret R. McKee, Assistant Circulation Manager. These back issues are still available:

**\$25.00 Each**

Color Anniversary Issue, Oct. 1988

**\$20.00 each**

Jan '75 ..... Oct '77 ..... May '79 ..... April '80

**\$8.00 each**

Jul '77 ..... Feb '80 ..... Jul '81 ..... Oct '83

Apr '86 ..... Jan '80 ..... Jan '90

**\$6.00 each**

Jul '80 ..... Oct '80 ..... Apr '82 ..... Oct '82

Jan '83 ..... Jul '83 ..... Apr '84 ..... Oct '84

Jan '85 ..... Apr '85 ..... Jul '85 ..... Oct '85

Jul '86 ..... Sept '86 ..... Nov '86 ..... Jul '87

Oct '87 ..... Jan '88 ..... Jul '88 ..... Jan '89

Apr '89 ..... Jul '90 ..... Oct '90 ..... Jan '91

Mar '91 ..... May '91 ..... Jul '91

Issues from September on....

The **Pomeranian Review** (ISSN 0744-8546) is published bi-monthly in Earth, TX, by the American Pomeranian Club, Inc. Subscriptions are \$30 per year (3rd class mail); \$35 per year (1st class mail). First class rates apply to USA, Canada, Mexico, Puerto Rico, and APO's (US funds only). The editor is not responsible for the contents or accuracy of advertisements, nor the opinions expressed by authors. Opinions expressed are not necessarily those of the editor.

## KENNEL VISITS

June...

**Dianne Johnson**

**Silva Lade Poms**

## ADVERTISERS

Lois Abjornson.....	35
Jeanne Blank .....	58
Dixie Bletch .....	62
Al and Barbara Boehmer .....	Inside F/C
Linda Brogoitti .....	32
Tony Cabrera / Fabian Arienti .....	Centerspread
Charlotte Creed .....	71
Louise and Norman Crowe .....	4
Doral Publishing .....	28
Gail Durniok and Gale Sharland.....	72
Nina Epps .....	1
Diane L. Finch .....	37
Jerrie Freia.....	32
Sharon Hanson .....	Back Cover
Marit and Jim Hattori.....	76, Inside B/C
Hi-Crest Kennels.....	40, 41
Roberta Kerr.....	75
Marge Kranzfelder .....	6
LaCherie Poms .....	47
Mary Liang.....	49
Stella Lizambri.....	59
Julie Moreno .....	5, 32
Steve and Barb Nagy .....	48
Evelyn Newyear / Cynthia Wallen .....	42
Pom Shoppe .....	59
Rosemary Regoni.....	74
Becky Sabourin .....	55
Florence and Carl Scott.....	32
Gale Sharland.....	73
Jim and Judy Shearer .....	4, 32
Bonnie McIntosh Taylor.....	32
Taylor / Jackson / Work.....	333
Dolly B. Trauner .....	34
Gale Vautaw.....	36
Betty Wrixon.....	46

# SOUTHLAND



## Ch. Southland's Showstopper

(Ch. Southland's Sir Impressive x Southland's Simply Elegant)

"Topper" is pictured here with judge Thomas Conway. Topper has been consistently winning the breed with some group placements. He is super moving, typy, and up on his toes.

**Breeder / Owner / Handler**

**Southland**  
6618 Lost Ridge  
Pineville, LA 71360  
(318) 466-3456

**Charlotte Creed**



# DAR's Foxridge... and Ming's Kirk



**Send many thanks to Jeanne Blank for taking special care of both of Ming's babies--Cendree and Kirk.**

**Congratulations to you and Robert, to Magic, and all the other Absolute Poms. There aren't many who can claim two National BISS in a row!**

**Rosemary E. Regoni  
385 Loop Road**

**Campobello, SC 29322  
(803) 472-3002**



1994 TOP TOY DOG JUNIOR HANDLER  
1994 TOP APC POM JUNIOR HANDLER  
1994 #3 ALL-BREED JUNIOR HANDLER

Elizabeth Kerr with Ch. Ra-Joy's Parti Oreo. Judge: Michelle Billings



We feed Science Diet

***Thistle Magic Pomeranians***



**Can Ch. Bavanew's Anna Alicia**

**Alicia was capably handled by her Canadian handler,  
Richard Paquette. She currently has 14 points.**

**Dr. Jim and Marit Hattori  
(808) 235-8200**



### Chriscendo Conspiracy

This little dog, capably handled by Erik Hattori, was BOB and Group I in his first show out of quarantine.

Dr. Jim and Marit Hattori  
(808) 235-8200

## *Ch. Jan-Shar's Mr. Nice Guy*



Ch. Jan-Shar's Mr. Nice Guy is sired by Ch. Absolute's Magic Mountain and out of Jan-Shar's Sweet Pea of Unicorn. He is pictured taking BW at the National Specialty under Michelle Billings and handled by Jason Lynch. Congratulations to my good friends Jeanne and Robert Blank on your Kennel Visit. Thanks for allowing Ch. Absolute's Magic Mountain to visit a few months.