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Toby's Time!*

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Ch Great Rivers Aint No Paint

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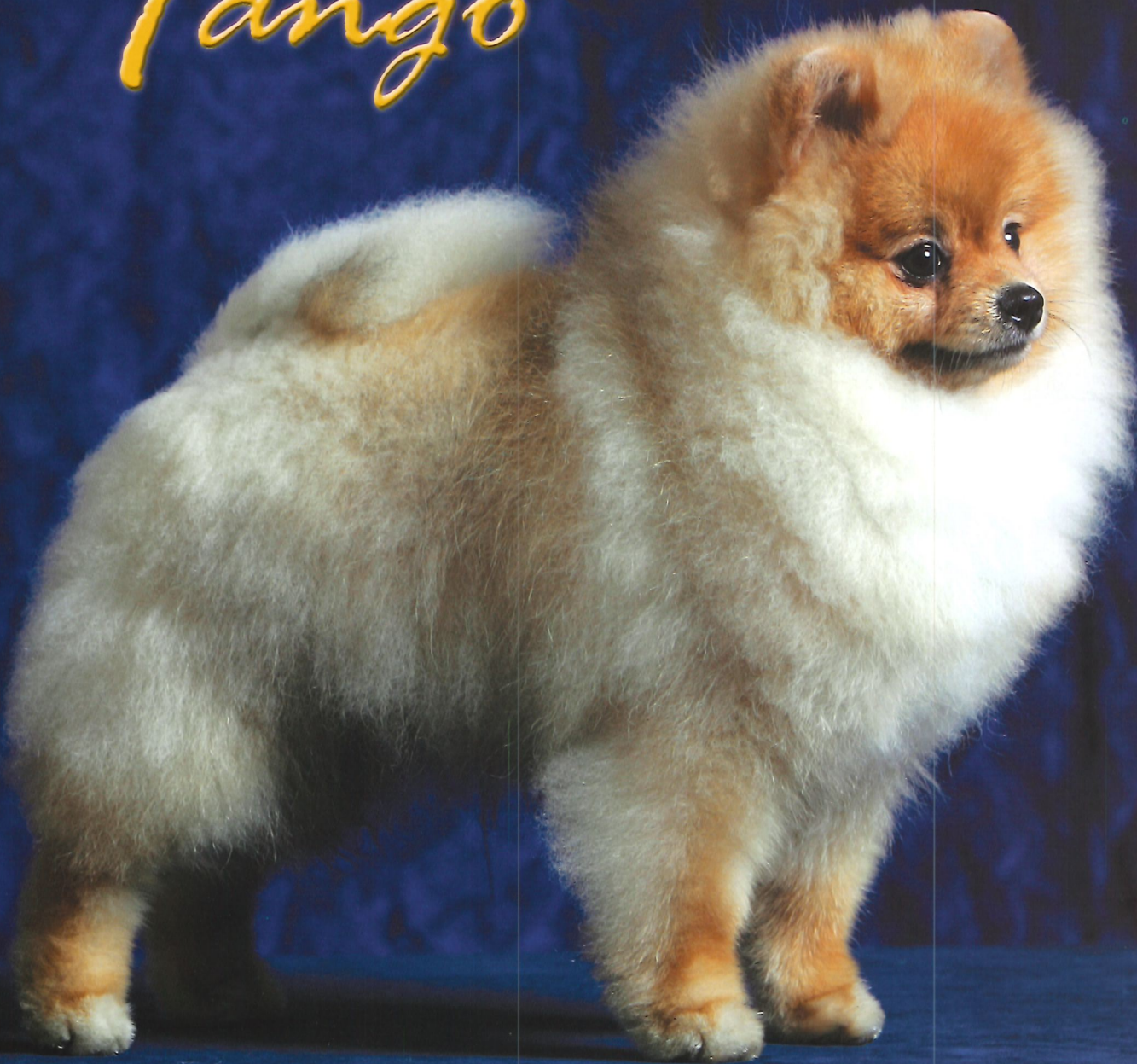
**Thank you to all of the judges who appreciated
Darla and Lucy.**

**And a big "Thank you" to Darla's handler,
Vikki Oelerich, for her expertise in handling Darla
to her championship.**

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Tango



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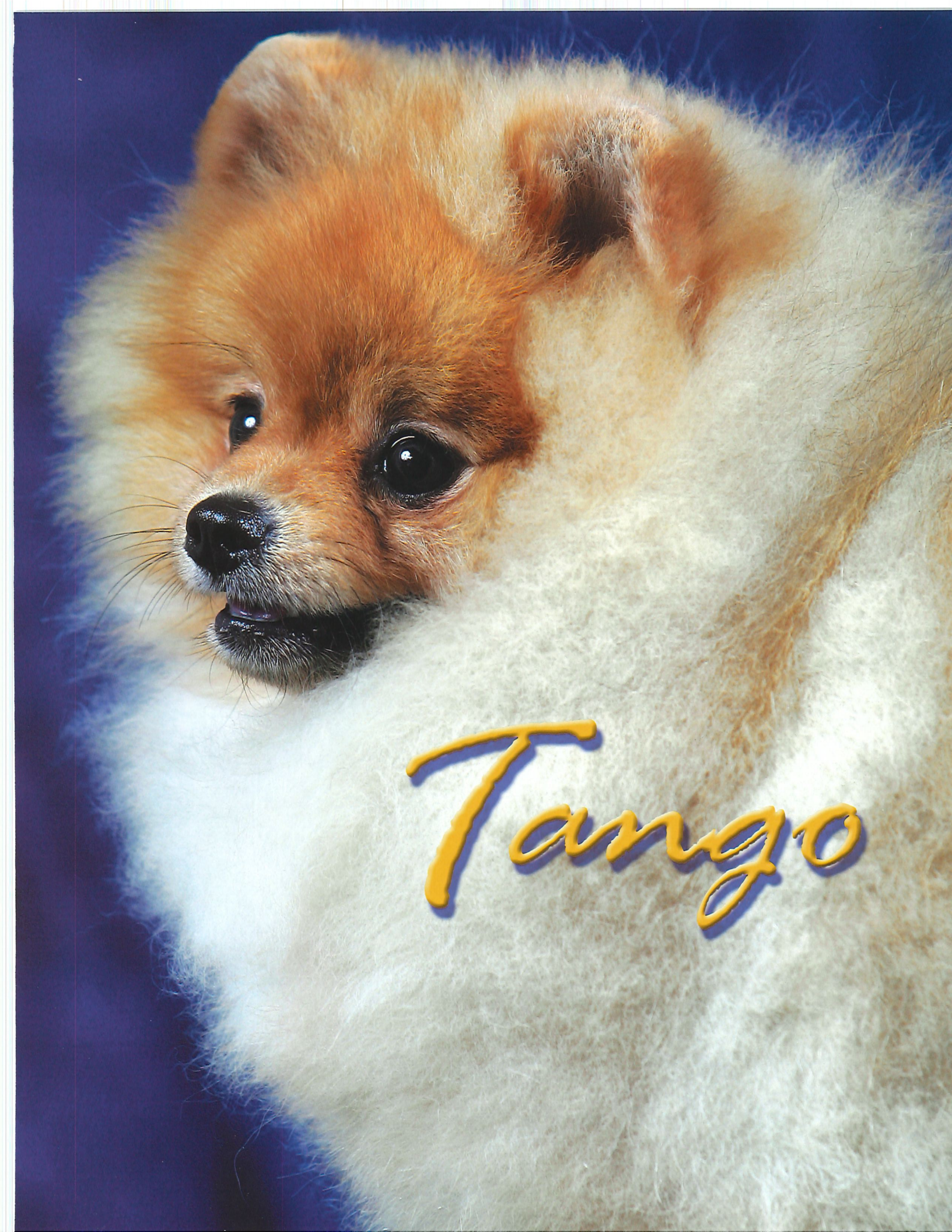
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Best wishes to Linda DeCicco on your kennel visit.

Visitors are always welcome at Lenette so if you are ever in the area please stop by for a visit. No visitors or phone calls on Sunday, please.

"TURNER"



CHAMPION STOLANNE'S IT'S MY TURN **GROUP THREE WIN!!!!!!!**

What a wonderful win for Turner and his first love and handler, Debbie Kingery. They made a fantastic pair and captured this great win from Judge Mr. Edd Bivin

Thank you Judge Bivin!!

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“REBA”



CH MARBIL'S RUMOR HAS IT

(BIS/BiSS CH Firebrook's Tabasco Fiasco X Marbil's She's So Fine)

Thank you Judges Charles Trotter and Bettie L. Krause for Reba's majors.

Reba was Breeder/Owner handled from start to finish. She is a joy to show and we look forward to her specials career when she matures.

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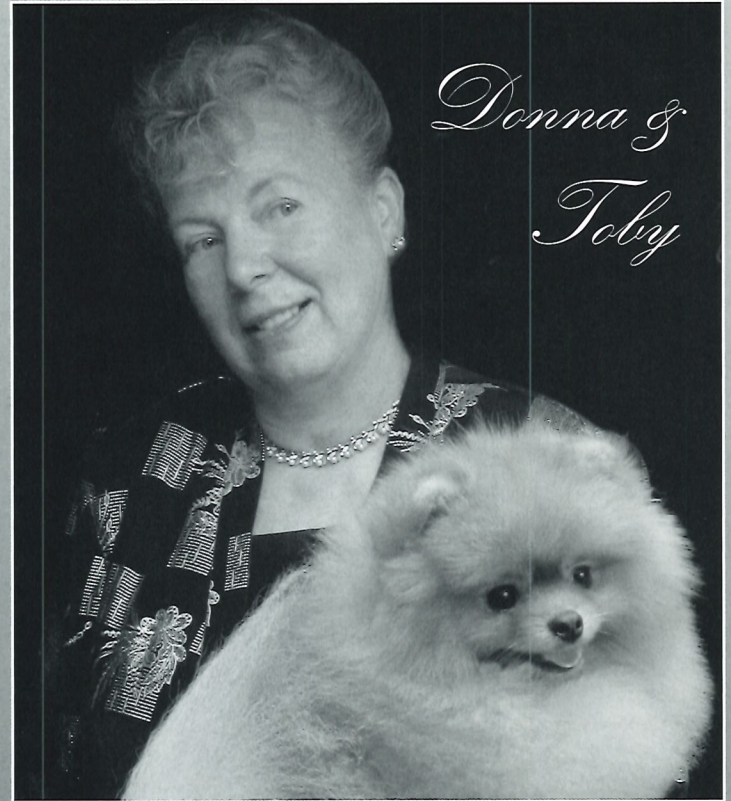
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BISA BISS CH Firebrook's

Tabasco Fiasco HOF GC



*Donna &
Toby*

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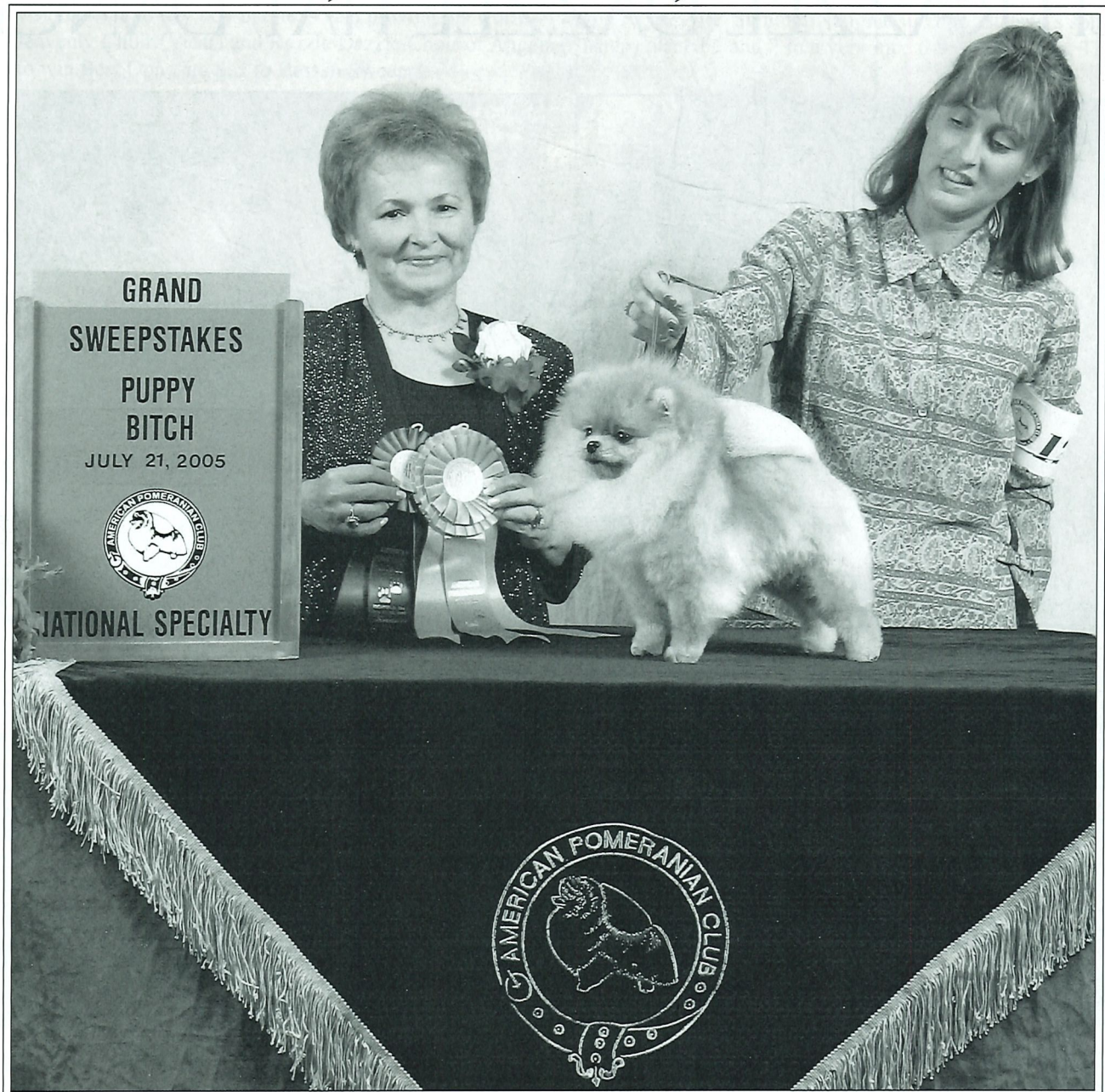
Toby is enjoying all the attention he is getting in the show ring. He would like to send a thank you to all of the judges who have found worthy his Soundness, Structure, Quality and Looks with the many wins they have awarded him.

Toby would like to send "Special" thanks to Judges Rose Ellen Petter and Sondra Esprite for his Best in Show wins on Saturday and Sunday in Canton, Ohio. Back to back Best In Shows is a dream come true for him and his owners.

Toby would also like to thank Ashley and Jerry Miller, Stephanie Pineault, Mary Latimer, Mari Island and Donna Riehm, for finishing his kids.

Toby is looking forward to meeting up with all his friends and meeting new ones at shows in the future. He says to please say hi and give him a pet when you see him. He loves attention although he is quite modest and won't admit to it. We will see you at the shows!

CHAR'S POMERANIANS



CH. CHAR'S FOR LOVE OR MONEY "NOOKIE"

Nookie is our beautiful Dillon daughter. She was one hot little puppy starting out going Best of Breed over the specials. Well, she started out with a bang and kept those fireworks going non-stop. In New York City for the Progressive Toy Specialty, she went WB for a four point major finishing her championship. She couldn't stop there though as she showed her little heart out and walked away as Best Puppy In Show. What an exciting day!!! Nookie followed that up with the win of Grand Sweepstakes Winner at the 2005 Summer National and Award of Merit. Go Nookie!!! Thank you to our Summer National Judges Brenda Segelken and Charles Scott.

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Mar- D's Pomeranians Introduces Mar-D's First Episode

Our first homebred show prospect is certainly off to a fantastic start: 6 Winners Bitch, 6 BOS, & 1 BOW!



Cinbows Cutting Edge x Sassie the Spit Fire For Mar-D

Our thanks to the following judges for acknowledging, with championship points, this girl's great angulation and animation.

Darryl Vice, Roger Hartinger, Ms. Dawn Hansen,
James Fredierkson, Martha Fielder, Leonard Reppord

And a very special thanks to our handler:
Diane Stevenson

Owners

Mary Stephens and
Debi Buchanan

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THERE ARE NO WORDS TO ADEQUATELY EXPRESS MY GRATITUDE TO ALL OF YOU WHO SENT CONDOLENCES WHEN JAKE PASSED OVER THE RAINBOW BRIDGE. THERE ISN'T A DAY THAT GOES BY THAT I DON'T THINK OF HIM AND MISS HIM TERRIBLY. YOUR EXPRESSIONS OF SYMPATHY BRING ME MUCH COMFORT.

MY PERSONAL ISSUE OF THE POM REVIEW ARRIVED EARLY IN THE MORNING, SPECIALLY WRAPPED IN GOLD FOIL AND RED RIBBONS WITH A BEAUTIFUL BOUQUET OF ROSES. I WAS SO SURPRISED AND HONORED BY THIS WONDERFUL GESTURE!

THANK YOU, BRENDA, FOR ARRANGING THIS AWESOME TRIBUTE TO JAKE, MY BEST FRIEND AND COMPANION. YOU HAVE BEEN SUCH AN ASSET TO OUR APC AND OUR MAGAZINE.

WITH MUCH LOVE,

NINA EPPS

Ch. Showcase Boys Will Be Boys



(BISS CH Mountain Crest JJ x Showcase Malibu Barbie)

Kenny finished with 3 majors and a Group 1 Bred By Exhibitor. Thanks to all of the judges who liked Kenny: Mrs. Peggy Hogg (Major), Mrs. Gloria Knapp (Major), Mr. Desmond Murphy (Major), Mrs. Anne Katona, Mrs. Lois Wolff White, Mr. Edd Bivin and Mr. Roger Hartinger. Thanks to handler and co-breeder Curtiss Smith for his wonderful presentation. Thanks to David and Carlene Gilstrap for letting "JJ" come here and visit us at Showcase.

Congratulations to Linda DeCicco on her well-deserved APC Kennel Visit!

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From The Desk Of The PREZ

Marge Kranzfelder



Taking Care of Business...

The APC Board can divide its concerns into two categories. The one that we enjoy thinking about is what this club's purpose is...promoting and taking care of our breed. You know the things we all expect: the National, the Pomeranian Review, the roster, judge's education, etc. This list should be endless because the more we accomplish, the more new projects we should want to take on. Let's call it 'taking care of Pomdom', the reason we all joined the club. The other category of concerns are ones that generally appear invisible if done properly. They are the basic foundation of running a social club (which the APC technically is) responsibly within the incorporated law. This translates to filing of taxes, fiscal responsibility and strategic planning. Let's call this 'taking care of business'.

APC has been in existence continually for over 100 years. This has its advantages and disadvantages, which I won't get into in this article. But the past several boards have wisely believed that APC primarily must run an up-to-date, efficient and responsible organization, which is then free to concentrate on the 'taking care of Pomdom' category. If the invisible category isn't functioning properly, the whole organization will grind to a halt.... either slowly by erosion or suddenly by some major event. As prepared as our organization was, shall we say, "life happens".

What is all this leading up to? I am trying to explain how the APC Board has been very busy since I last reported our progress but the end results might appear to just be about the same as several months previous. As Elvis once said, we were "taking care of business". We had to address some matters that needed immediate attention and, as always, needed to follow directions outlined in our Bylaws. Just about all other projects ground to a halt. But as I describe our current status, I think we are even a stronger, better organization than we previously thought possible.

First, the board had a vacancy to fill. We are very proud to announce that Donna Riehm is our new board member. You all got to know some of her talents and capabilities as our former Ways and Means chair. Her business and marketing knowledge and experience will be put to good advantage.


We also have a new 2006 National Show Chair. We tried to think who has Show Chair experience regionally and, even better, who has experience with giving a Summer Specialty. Let's see, who did the very well organized Pomeranian Club of Central Indiana Summer Specialty and Summer National recently? When asked who it was, Janice Russell, pleaded 'the Fifth (amendment)'. But with some arm-twisting, she has accepted the Show Chair position. All agree the 2006 National is now in very capable hands.

Have you ever wondered how the Poms in the show ring and show pictures are trimmed so nicely and how it is done? We are pleased to present this Pom grooming video, "*Pomeranian Grooming with Karen Crawford*," by Karen Crawford of Xitable Pomeranians. This tape is not just for Pom show people, it is for all of you who have Poms and want to learn the professional but easy way to properly trim your Poms - from head to toe. For more information about Karen, the video, satisfied customer reviews and ordering, please visit our web site at: <http://www.foxxlanepoms.com/Video>, e-mail Pauline at pauline@foxxlanepoms.com or call Pauline at 304-813-1541.

We would like to thank Mike & Cande Gordon of Pominique Pomeranians for allowing us to use AM/Int CH Pominique Chasing Tatonka (aka Tony) as our demonstration model.

Congratulations to Linda DeCicco of Aphrodites Poms on your APC Kennel Visit.

Our sincere condolences to Emil Setmayer and family on your loss.



Pomeranian Grooming with Karen Crawford

Karen Crawford and John & Pauline McFarlane

The APC web site is the club's face to the public and members, as well as the dog fancy. Web keeping is a very large responsibility that intertwines creative tasks needing technical knowledge as well as those, which address the constant updating and maintenance duties. The Board decided to form a web site committee of Kelly Reimschiessel (web keeper), and Elizabeth Heckert. They will be assisted by Jennifer Munn. Instead of a face-lift, they plan to give our site an exciting new face. You will first be aware of the navigation improvements, but there will be lots of other new site features to check out in the future as well.

With thanks to these volunteers who have stepped forward to assume these important responsibilities, APC is in fine shape. Now that we have 'taken care of business', we are now ready to proceed with our mission of 'taking care of Pomdom'.

Don't forget to contribute to the PCT Quilt Project (contact Ann Berryman). Tell your favorite artist about our artwork contest.

Hope you are looking forward to the arrival of autumn weather, healthy Fall litters, and successful show weekends.

Ch. Tim Sue's Small Talk



Introducing our newest Champion Tim Sue's Small Talk winning the first of four majors under the capable handling skills of Audrey Roberts. This title was won, in 4 weekends, from the puppy class (every point) thanks to Audrey who trained and groomed him to perfection. Talker's sire is Ch. Jeribeth Mostly Tim Sue and his dam is Tim Sue's Traces' Trinket.

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Ch. Legacy's Machine Gun Kelly

Ch. Rol'N Del's Pretty Boy Floyd x Legacy's Artic Fox

Kelly is happy to announce his Mom's upcoming APC Kennel Visit in the Nov/Dec 2005 Pomeranian Review.

Congratulations to Linda DeCicco on her kennel visit.
Condolences to the late Gloria Setmayer's husband, Emil.

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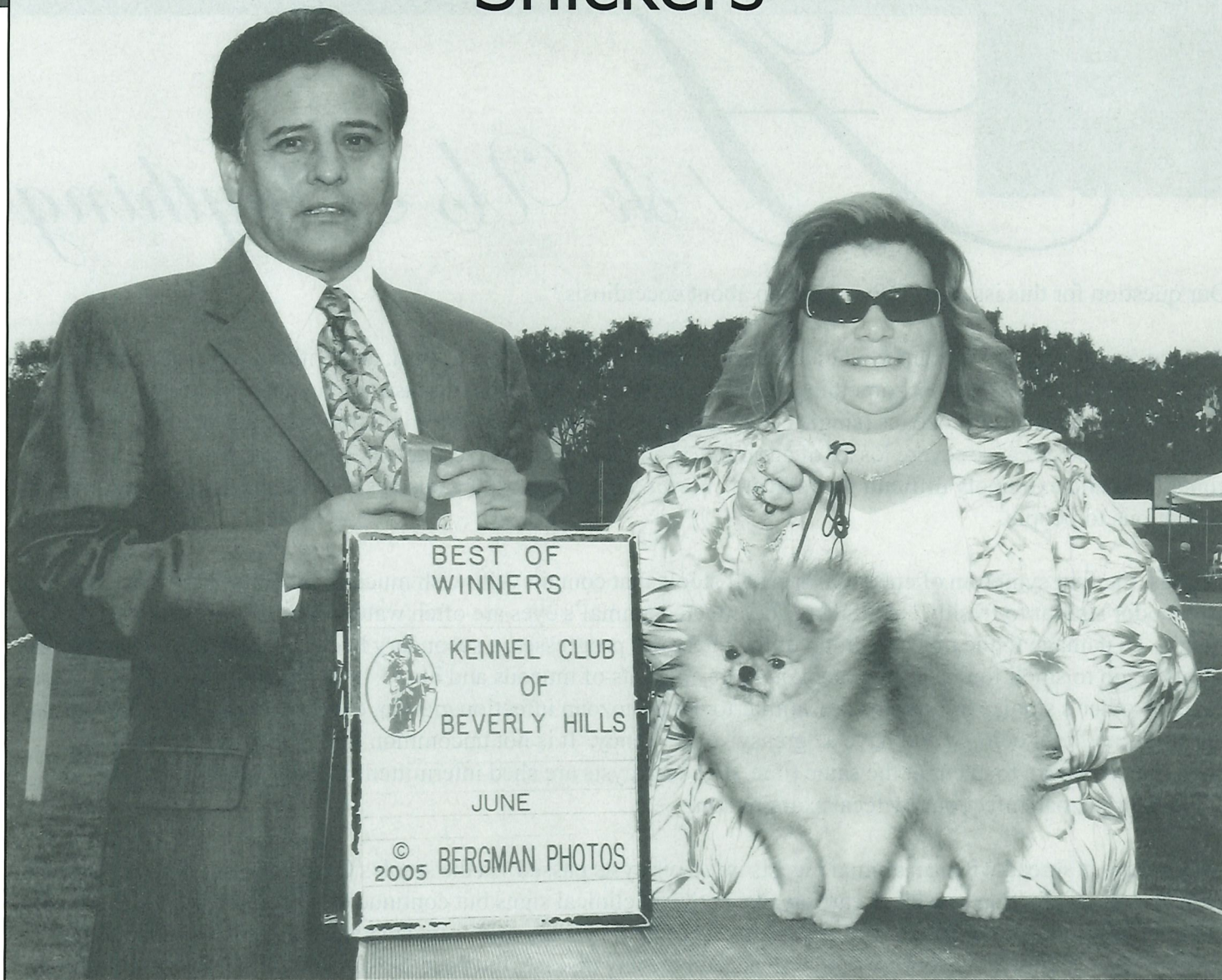
(Keepsakes Courtin' Tradition x Ch. Puf Pride Cloudbreaker)

- * Stage is tripled on the legendary Ch. Rock N Tradition of Oakridge
- * Audrey Roberts Congratulations for your feature in the last issue!
- * Linda DeCicco: Your Poms get better with every passing year :)

Jessie Klein 903-882-1950

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SunGlo's Just Lookin For Trouble "Snickers"



Snickers is pictured here with Mr. John Ramirez taking WD/BOW. Snickers is now "JUST LOOKIN FOR SINGLES" to complete his AKC Championship. We would like to thank the late Mr. Ed Jenner & Ms. Arlene Czech for Snickers majors and Mr. Stephen Hurt for Snicker's third major at the San Diego Pomeranian Club Specialty.

We would like to Congratulate Linda DeCicco & her beautiful Aphrodite's Poms, we wish you continued success. We would also like to extend our sympathies to the family of Gloria Setmayer, she will be missed.

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Annette Davis

Ask Us Anything

Our question for this issue is: What can I do about coccidiosis?

As long as you feed a premium food, normal Pomeranian stools are small, firm, and without foul odor. A change in normal stools is a red flag that something is amiss. A common intestinal disease among dogs is coccidiosis. Coccidia are parasitic protozoans (single celled organisms) found in the intestinal tract of many animals, including dogs. Coccidiosis cause severe losses of agricultural animals each year, especially calves and fowl. It is highly contagious and extremely difficult to eradicate. Fortunately, the *Isospora* species that infects dogs and cats is not contagious to people.

In dogs, the first symptom of coccidiosis is soft stools that contain yellowish mucous and have a characteristic sweet odor similar to freshly cut alfalfa. The infected animal's eyes are often watery and the coat becomes dull and rough. As damage to the mucous lining of the intestines progresses, a secondary bacterial infection sets in and the stools begin to smell foul and often contain large amounts of mucous and blood. It is common for infected dogs to eat each other's stools. Symptoms are similar to the protozoan infection giardia, except that in giardia infections, the stools are light colored and have a "greasy" consistency. It is not uncommon for more than one species of parasitic protozoan to occur at the same time. Because cysts are shed intermittently, it can be very difficult to confirm protozoan infections by fecal examination.

Coccidiosis is spread when an animal ingests infective cysts passed via the stools. Cysts may be passed by animals with an active infection as well as carriers that show no clinical signs but continue to harbor infection. There is a common misconception that coccidiosis is only a problem in filthy and crowded kennels. This is simply not the case. Certainly filth and overcrowding will accentuate any disease, but coccidiosis can become a problem in even the cleanest of kennels.

Currently, there are no drugs available that are able to kill coccidia. Coccidiostats work by inhibiting coccidial reproduction. Once the numbers stop increasing, the host animal's immune system can then wipe out the infection. Prescription Albon liquid suspension has proven to be an effective coccidiostat when given at the rate of 1/4 ml per pound (double the dose for the first day only) for 21-30 days. The label directions suggest a shorter treatment time, however a veterinarian I know who has a lot of experience treating coccidiosis in farm animals, advised me that because coccidia run a twenty-one day cycle, best results are achieved by using a longer treatment period.

It is important to clean all fecal matter promptly and disinfect all kennel surfaces, bedding, and toys daily. Coccidia are not destroyed by chlorine bleach and many other disinfectants. It has been shown that they are readily destroyed by ammonia and 'old fashioned' Lysol Concentrate (1 part ammonia or Lysol to 10 parts water). Do not use plastic food or water dishes. Coccidia can stay in the crevices. Use stainless steel, crock style, or glass food and water dishes. Change drinking water often and clean the food/water dishes with a mild ammonia solution regularly.

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CH. FIREBROOK'S TABASCO FIASCO



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Congratulations to Linda DeCicco - Aphrodites Pomeranians,
on her well-deserved APC Kennel Visit!
Our condolences to Emil Setmayer and family on the loss of Gloria.
Gloria will fondly be remembered.

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Separate all infected dogs as much as possible. It is imperative that you do not allow the infected animal to become dehydrated. Supportive care and oral electrolyte solutions are helpful. Keep the animal warm and away from drafts. B vitamins may not be given during the Albon treatment. Albon works by inhibiting folic acid, therefore B vitamin supplements with folic acid may negate its action.

Echinacea and a pet supplement that contains zinc and vitamin C may be given during treatment to support the immune system in its fight against the infection. One of the negative side effects of Albon is that it destroys beneficial intestinal bacteria leaving the animal more susceptible to pathogens. During and after treatment with Albon, it is important to give a high potency probiotic (beneficial microbial) supplement. After Albon treatment has finished, continue the probiotic and give a supplement with B vitamins, vitamin C, bioflavonoids, and zinc (appropriately dosed for your pet). To avoid future outbreaks, keep your dog in excellent health, free of worms and maintain scrupulous cleanliness. Immediately separate any dog that shows signs of the disease and treat accordingly.

Our question for the next issue is: What can I do about giardia?

You may direct new questions or answers to these questions to:

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Aphrodites

Pomeranians

Introduces our kids in the ring!

I would like to introduce Aphrodites Donmar Desperado a/k/a Desi. Desi is also owned, adored and handled by Donna Majewski. With very limited showing Desi has 11 points including both of his majors. Desi's dam is Sunrunner BB at Aphrodite and sire is Can. Am. Ch. Chriscendo Call To Arms. I would like to thank Mickey Stephens for this beautifully producing bitch. I would also like to thank Chris and John Hertz for allowing me the use of Colt. He helped me to make a good friend's dream come true. I would also like to introduce Windkiss Aphrodites Posie a/k/a Posie. Again, with very limited showing, Posie has 7 points including a BOB and Group 3 under her belt. Her dam is Karadarn Dalila and sire is my Underwoods Little Son Junior a/k/a Junior. Junior produces the most beautiful dogs. Not only do his puppies have the heads I strive for but also health, temperament, structure and movement! I can't thank Brenda Underwood enough for this lil guy! A BIG thank you to Donna Majewski for agreeing to show my dogs. Donna, you do a wonderful job not only handling the dogs but most importantly caring for them.

Owner/Breeder

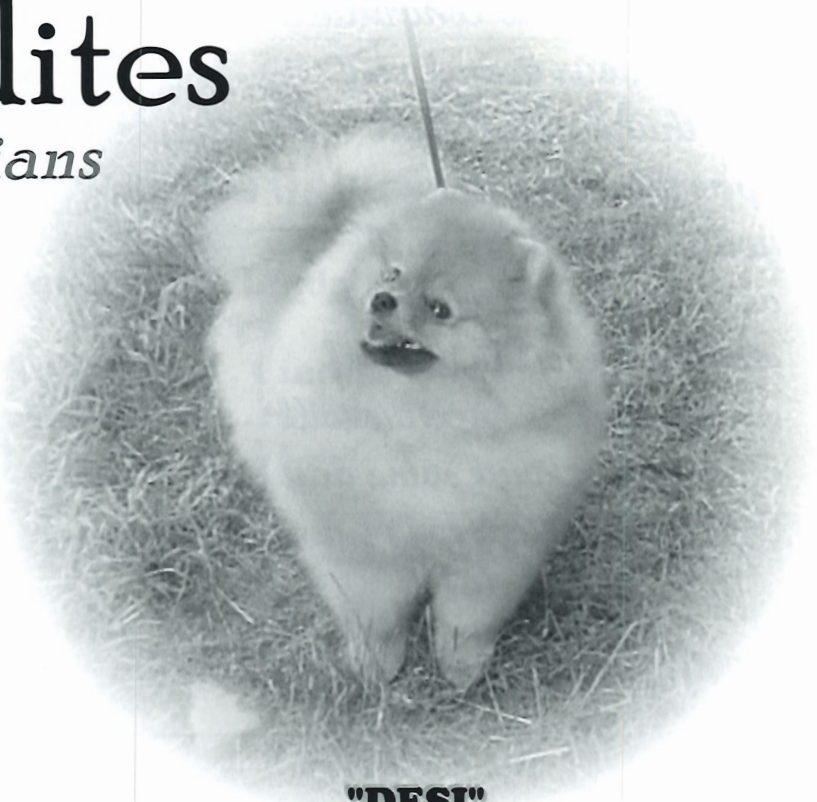
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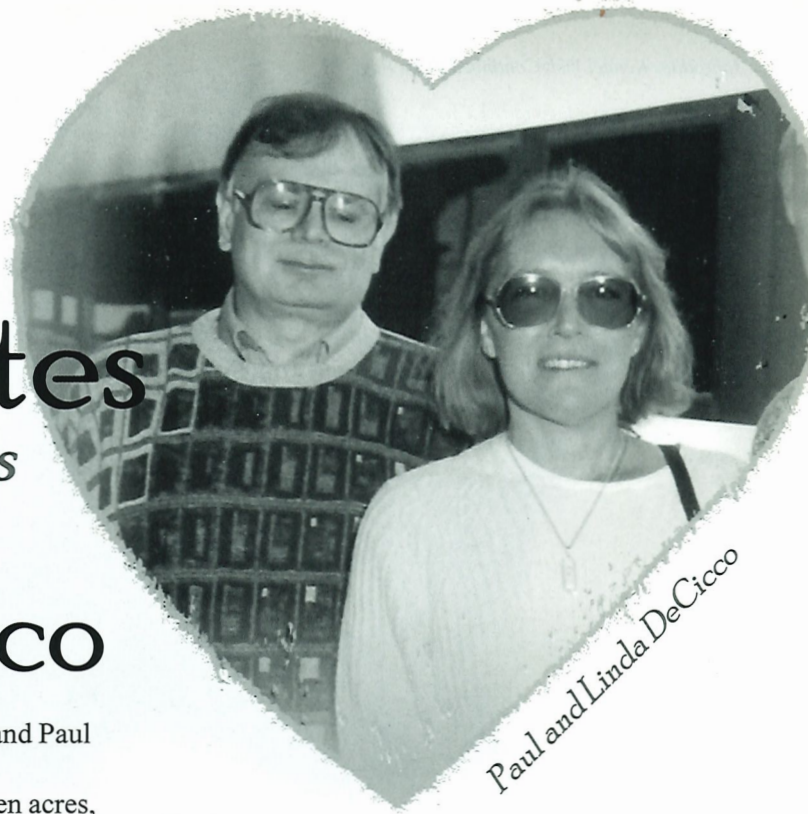


"DESI"



"POSIE"





Paul and Linda DeCicco

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Pomeranians

Linda DeCicco

My name is Linda DeCicco. I live with my very patient husband Paul and several Pomeranians in the deep woods of Maine. We are surrounded by woods on all sides and have approximately seven acres,

one of which is cleared and fenced. This is where the Poms frolic in the grass, playing on bridges, running through tunnels and playing with their toys. They love every waking minute. They are not dogs to me but they are the air that I breathe and what makes my heart beat. These precious jewels live in my home and are never crated unless they go to a show. I try to keep my numbers to a minimum. I place the girls between five to six years of age so I have room for the new show hopefuls.

I have two grown children. Thank the good Lord they made it. As those of you with adult children know, there are times when we're just not sure they will reach adulthood. You know, either we're worried they will kill themselves or times we would be more than willing to do it for them. My son, Adam, is 25 and lives on his own (finally). He works for an abatement company. My daughter, Amber, is 22 and has a Liberal Arts Degree. She is continuing her education in the radiography field. I am very proud of both of them.

I grew up in the very small town of Galway in upstate NY. Galway is the town next to Ballston Spa where the Ballston Spa Circuit Dog Shows are. I love that show!

I shared my love of animals with my lovely mother, who has passed. She was a wonderful lady who would take in any stray. If she found an animal, she brought it home to nurse it, no matter what condition it was in. She would take them to the vet for whatever treatment was needed and find them homes. This is how we became close friends with the vet.

As my older sister Pam and I grew up, we decided to buy our own purebred dogs. We had always had mixed breeds from the pound. As soon as Pam turned sixteen and had a job, she decided on a Toy Poodle. I was next and decided on a Basset Hound. Imagine that! I paid for it with my hard-earned money only to find out that the dam had been kept in a not-so-secure area and had an affair with other than her man. So I placed the dog with friends of ours. Pam talked me into buying a male Toy Poodle so we could breed. Back in those days, things were so different. Through my vet, Sandy, I found a breeder that showed her dogs. I purchased a two-year-old male by the name of Viola Man About Town. Get this folks, he was pointed and had one testicle. Things WERE different back then.

As I grew older, married, and had children, my life changed. We had a Doberman and my Poodle Manny who lived to a ripe old age. We moved to Arkansas and later on we moved back north and we ended up here in Maine. I found this house, fell in love with it and bought it. What sold me on it was the family room and kitchen had quarry tile and the dining room had

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Blue, Ch. Trudy's Kentucky Blue at Aphrodite



Chad, Ch Aphrodites Dream Date
Sire: Underwood's Little Son Junior x
Aphrodites Akeisha



Woody, Ch. Aphrodites Underwood Gift
Sire: Underwood's Little Son X
Aphrodites Austi

hardwood flooring. My first thought was what a simply perfect house in which to breed dogs!

At that time I truly was not aware of the status of the dog world as it is today. I honestly feel it is as different as the breed itself.

I had my kids each pick a breed. My son picked out the German Shepherd and my daughter picked the Samoyed. I found a wonderful German Shepherd breeder, named Laura Prewitt. She shows and I would recommend her in a heartbeat. She sold me the dog knowing what my plans were. Unfortunately, Skippy, (Skip To My Lou), got pyometra and had to be spayed.

The Samoyed was recommended to me by someone at the vet clinic. A

customer had just purchased one. Since I knew I was going to breed her, I checked her hips at one year and she had hip dysplasia, so I had her spayed, too. Unfortunately, she developed Addison's Disease and one day she had a crisis. The kids were at school. I called my husband, but by the time he called me back, she had passed in my arms. Oh, how I loved that dog! I decided I wanted to find that dog in a little package and THAT is how I found the Pomeranian Breed. This was in 1993.

Now, mind you, I never entertained the thought of showing. I truly never knew it was an option. Unless you are in the show world or know someone in it, I don't think you are aware of it. I know I wasn't. So I began my search to find my Pom! I read a few little books, checked the paper again and again, called some vets, and even called my vet friend in New York. I did find a show breeder and left a message but nothing happened there. Finally I found one, YIPPEE! I remember going to look at them and saying, "These are bigger than I thought". She replied, "Oh, you want the toy ones". And I fell for it and said, "Okay, I'll take the smallest one." I named her Autumn and adored her.

Next I went searching for a male, with no luck. I finally put an ad in the local paper looking for a male or female Pomeranian. A woman from my town named Alice called me. She had just purchased a female Pom at a show. Alice introduced me to a show breeder and I purchased two males. Immediately I could tell the difference in the dogs I bought from her.

One was awesome, Austin, that I still have today. I waited and waited in hopes of getting a female Pom but nothing was happening. So, Alice and I went looking for our new Poms. We must have visited ten breeders in Maine and found nothing. Finally we found one that looked okay and I bought a few broods. Alice picked one out, but changed her mind at the last minute.

Now I had my original six Poms and I started frequenting the shows. That was the biggest turn-off of my life. I then decided to just breed to make the nicest

Pomeranian I could for the pet population. I spent a lot of time with Alice learning the rights and wrongs of Poms and the Pom world. Alice was also a groomer and she would evaluate my dogs as they got better and better.

I owe much thanks to the improvement of the quality of my dogs to Brenda Underwood, whose name I got from another breeder who had purchased a chocolate Pom from her. I wanted a black and tan Pom and he said she had some. I called her right away and got pictures. That's when I purchased my Apollo. We kept in touch and I called her all the time because I wanted a girl from her. I told her I needed to make my dogs and their ears a bit smaller. She blessed me with a stud dog, Underwoods Little Son. He was the start of my show dogs. She allowed me to use him for six months while she was taking maternity leave from the dog world. I kept one boy, Aphrodites Underwood Gift, my first Champion Pom. He finished in February of 2001, thanks to Paula Payson.

I had contacted Paula Payson and asked her to evaluate my dogs. We became best friends at our first meeting; we hit it off right at the bat. She taught me everything I didn't know. One thing was NO dog is perfect. I had no clue! All this time I was trying to make the perfect dog and what I was actually producing was good enough to go in the ring. That is where I started and it only keeps getting better. Paula started showing Woody, Aphrodites Underwood Gift. And in the fall of that year, Brenda sent me my long-awaited bitch. She came to me with a male I was going to find a home for. When I opened the crate, there went my heart. This dog ended up being the sire of my next two champions and has daughters awaiting only a major to finish. Underwoods Little Son, Junior, produces wonderful dogs.

Shortly after Paula started showing Woody, she became ill with cancer and in the spring of the following year, she passed away. My heart still aches at her passing. The wealth of knowledge I received from Paula is priceless and the love untouchable. The only physical reminder I have left of that relationship is my Aphrodites I Don't Karadarn, who I still have. She was sired by Paula's Karadarn On To Glory. And from my relationship with Paula, I met the people who have helped me to what I am today. That would be Donna Majewski and Linda Saball. Donna is a wonderful friend and handles my dogs. I can't say enough for the way she handles my dogs and the love with which she does it. Linda is a very good friend with whom I co-own dogs. She blessed me with a few dogs that were bred down from Paula's dogs. These girls are out in the ring now and hopefully will finish soon.

Before I conclude this visit, I must add a small note about Blue, who is my heart dog. Everyone who knows me knows Blue! In the eleven and a half years I have owned the Pomeranian breed, I have bought a total of twelve dogs, nine of which I have kept for breeding purposes. I was very happy with my breeding program until I saw him! One day on a list I saw this little six-week-old puppy. I think all puppies are cute, BUT this puppy was "it"! I e-mailed his breeder, Nancy Coddington, and asked her for first refusal for him if she decided to sell him. We kept in touch and I finally asked the BIG QUESTION, how much? I jumped at the chance to get this dog.

This was one week before the Nationals in 2003 and I was not planning to go, but everything fell into place. I ended up at the Nationals picking up my puppy to the shock, surprise and delight of my friends. I never leave home without much planning, so I figure Blue was a blessing just for me. This was my most memorable show without a doubt. Blue finished his Championship before he



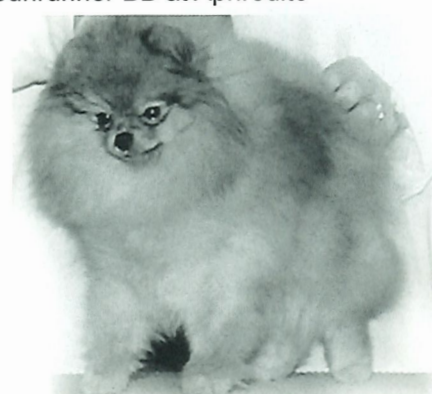
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Sire: Petite Acres Little Man x
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Maria, Ch Aphrodites Moonstruck
Sire: Aphrodites Austin x
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Dakota, Aphrodite's Dream'n Dakota
Sire: Aphrodites Austin x
Sunrunner BB at Aphrodite



Macho, Aphrodites Macho Man
Sire: Ch Trudy's Kentucky Blue at Aphrodite x
Sunrunner BB at Aphrodite

turned nine months of age. He now lives his life as #1. He enjoys it too.

Now, for the thank yous. Although she is no longer with us, my most grateful thank you is to Paula Payson who gave me a chance and her heart. Also, Brenda Underwood, for without her trust and friendship, I would not have the dogs I do today. Next is Donna Majewski who is AWESOME in every way! She has a wealth of knowledge, is a diplomat, and everything I could ask for in a friend and business partner. Linda Saball, who has not only given of all herself, but her home and heart as well. Linda recently showed my Faith to her finish with such care and love! My thanks also to Joan Rogenski for taking over for Paula while she was sick and finishing my first champion Woody. Thanks to Mickey Stephens for trusting me with my Sunrunner BB at Aphrodites AKA Tasia. Of course, thank you to Nancy Coddington for my beautiful Blue. Thanks to Dr. Barry Porter and the entire staff at Lake Region Animal hospital for without great veterinarian services no breeder can be their best. Last but not least, thanks to the Pomeranian Review for giving me this wonderful opportunity for a kennel visit.



Lady, Aphrodites She's A Lady
Sire: Aphrodites Bailey x
Windkiss Aphrodite Fire n Ice



Posie, Windkiss Aphrodite Posie
Sire: Underwood's Little Son Junior x
Karadam Dalila



Freedom, CH Aphrodites Enduring Freedom
Sire: Underwoods Little Son Junior x
Sunrunner BB ay Aphrodite



The DeCicco home



Shawnee, Aphrodites American Dream
Sire: Underwoods Little Son Junior x
Aphrodites Akeisha



Windy, Aphrodites Wings Of Dreams
Sire: Underwoods Little Son Junior x
Aphrodites Dream Come True



Posie & Rosie

KENNEL *Visits*

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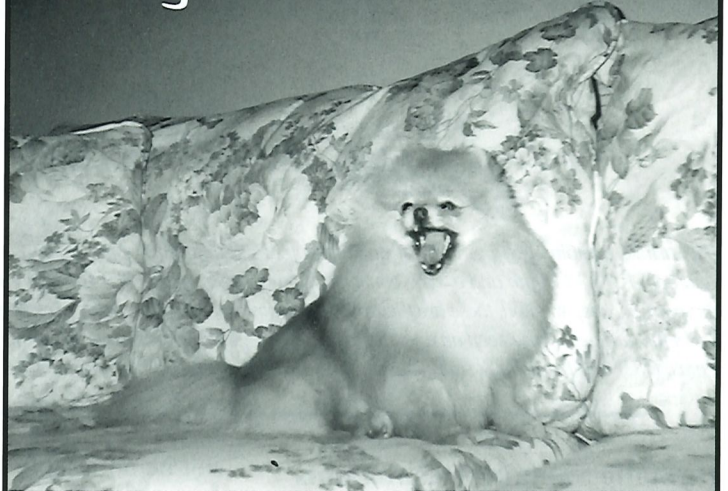
Les Petits Princes de Urkys

Patricia Rowley

Legacy Poms

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Congratulations Linda!



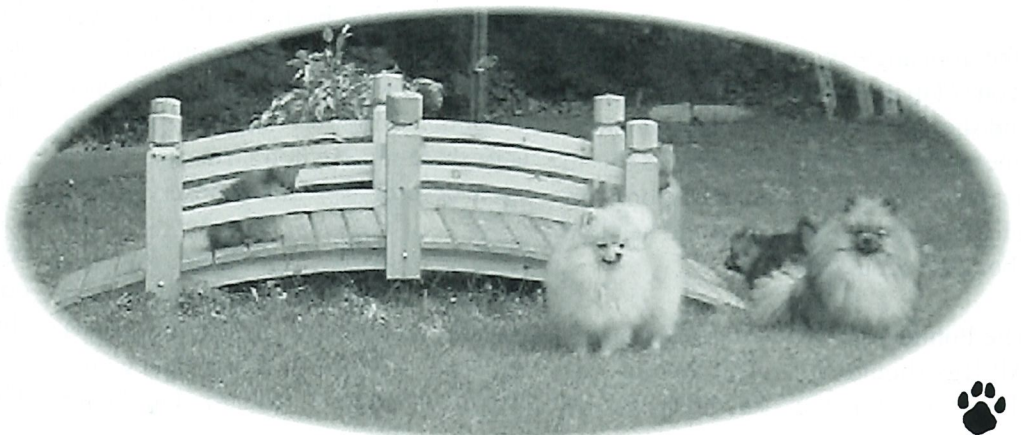
Our hats are off to you for a job well done! If it weren't for your hard work and dedication to the Pomeranian breed we wouldn't have our sweet Noelle. As you can see in the picture, Noelle is happy for you and so are we.

Paul, Joanne & Noelle Branchi

Aphrodites Kennel Visit Continued



Rob (Amber's man), son Adam and daughter Amber



APC Pomeranian Standard*

Just a Matter of Opinion?

This article contains two opinions of our current APC Standard approved December 9, 1996. We purposely asked a long-time (48 years) breeder of numerous AKC Champions, Ken Griffith and a new-comer to Poms (1 year, owner of 2 Champions) Danielle Sartain to express their thoughts and opinions on the Pomeranian Standard. As you read, keep in mind, these are their personal opinions, not yours or mine or those of the APC. The comparison of opinions is what The Pomeranian Review was striving for in this article. Please keep an open mind and enjoy. Your responses are welcome and will be used as space allows in the PR Yips N Yaps. Thanks to Ken Griffith, Lenette Poms, (NC) and Danielle Sartain, Dasar Poms (MI). *See page 69 for the APC/AKC Pom Standard. See page 67 for 1920 APC Standard with point system.*

Danielle Sartain, Dasar Poms

The Pomeranian should be a short back well proportioned dog. He should have a double coat with the under coat being thick and soft with harsh outer coat. I believe the Pomeranian should be happy and cheerful and express an attitude that says look at me.

The Pomeranian should be sturdy with a good amount of bone. I feel the dogs' length and height should be equal. He should be just as tall as he is long. But when in full coat the dog should look round at every direction.

The muzzle should be shorter rather than longer, but with enough room to hold a proper bite. The skull is rounded and should hold the ears high up on the head. The ears should be small and erect. The coat should cover most of the ear. The eyes are almond shaped and dark. Dogs with light eyes should not be given awards. The pigment should also be dark. And the teeth should be a scissor bite.

The front angle of the Pomeranian to me is one of most important areas of the dog, and should carry the head appropriately. The angle of the shoulders allows this to happen. The neck should not be too short and should be able to hold the head up above the shoulders.

The Pomeranian should be four square. All legs should be straight and the dog should be up on toe. The hocks should

not be noticeably long. The movement should show reach and drive. The legs should move straight and be free of lameness. The dog should not be too wide in the front, but also not too close. The dog should display balance when moving.

From an exhibitor who loves color, all colors are allowed, and should be judged equally. This does not always seem to happen, but with the quality of the colors improving, many judges are seeing that color does come in quality.

Finally, the temperament of a Pomeranian should be cocky and express much attitude in the ring. The attitude will make him stand out in a group ring. He should move around the ring as if he owns it. He should not be aggressive but alert and happy. He portrays himself as a big dog in a small package.

Ken Griffith, Lenette Poms

There never has been or will there ever be a perfect Pomeranian standard. As breeders we will always have a difference of opinion. This overview of the standard is to share my opinion. You will either agree or disagree with my observation.

Let me first say I appreciate the past committee and all the hard work that went into the current standard. From what I am hearing I think most breeders would like to have a new standard. Our board

of directors has steadfastly refused to allow any revision. I think my conversation just recently with one of the original committee members pretty well sums up what many breeders think about the standard. She says she is rather embarrassed with how it turned out and quite saddened that this has opened the door to unethical breeders. She goes on to say that she has no doubt other breeds of dogs have been bred into our Poms to create new colors and patterns. I certainly agree with her completely. Stars, bars, stripes, pinks, green and blue eyes just didn't pop up. They were purposely bred into our Poms.

Let's take a look at some of the problems I find with the current standard. But before we do, let's point out the major problem that occurred many years ago when we took the point scale out of the standard. I don't know of anything that is judged on a subjective basis that does not have a point scale. By not having a point scale this leaves the judge to decide for themselves what is most important in their opinion. Example: The old point scale had either 40 or 50 points for coat. Without a doubt the most important thing in a Pom is the coat. Without a magnificent coat a Pom would not be a Pom. We now have judges that could care less about the amount and quality of the coat. By all means if we ever have the opportunity of getting a new standard we should put the point scale back in.

The new standard did raise the size of

Poms for exhibition one pound, which is certainly a step in the right direction. This however did not adequately address the problem. We have judges and breeders who push the smaller 3 lb. Pom. This is an absolute travesty to our beloved breed. I would remind all of us what the purpose of dog shows is all about and that is to promote those excellent specimens that we use in our breeding program. I know of no breeder who uses 2 and 3 lb. females in their breeding program but they continue to win at the dog shows. We should have in our standard that any bitch under 4 lbs. be disqualified. Years ago the standard disqualified Poms under 3 lbs. but the current standard does not specifically say that a Pom under 3 lbs. should be disqualified. The current standard encourages the judge to put the 3 lb. bitch or male over a real nice specimen of larger size. Why would any breed standard encourage a 3 pounder to be put-up over a 5 or 6 pounder? Who are we kidding? Do we not want to breed a stronger healthier Pom? We all know that a 2 lb. Pom has a life expectancy of only a few years whereas a 3 lb. Pom may live to be around 8 years. And we know 4 and 5 lb. Poms have a life expectancy of 12 or more years. Surely we as a breed club should want to encourage the breeding of Poms that live longer. Please excuse the use of our kennel to show an example, but we are currently showing 3 quality broods that each weighs around 6 lbs. each. They are well within the standard but just try to get a major on a 6 lb. female. We have had calls from all over the US telling us how well they liked these gals and wanting to buy them. Two of these gals lack both majors and only one lacks one major. Judges, breeders and our current standard make it extremely difficult to finish a real quality 6 lb. gal. Needless to say a tiny 3 lb. gal is much cuter than a 6 lbs.

I am reminded what one of our foremost experts on Poms said over 75 years ago. Mrs. Parker wrote the excellent book many of us treasure in our libraries. She was the breeder of the first orange Pom champion in England and started the

movement to produce the modern Pom, as we know it today. She told breeders then that we had better open our eyes and stop breeding these 3 lb. Poms or we would have trouble in the future. Well! Her words have certainly come true. I echo her sentiments completely. We as breeders had better wake up and start breeding the larger Poms or we may wake up and find that black skin is the least of our problems.

Concerning the head, we need to take out the fox-like expression because some judges interpret this to mean that the Pom should look like a fox. There are actually in the world of judges ones that only will put up a Pom with a long fine muzzle like a fox.

Without a doubt the biggest complaint almost all breeders have with the standard is the ears. In one sentence it says the ears should be small and high set and carried erect. In the very next sentence it says they should be low set and carried down on the side of the head. This has been nothing but a big laugh ever since adopted. This has to be corrected.

Another confusing point is the legs. In one sentence it says the legs turn neither inward nor outward. Then in the next paragraph it says they turn inward toward the centerline beneath the body.

Color is where I get most upset. I know of no other thing whereby a standard is given that color is not considered a quality. In fact many dog breeds list certain colors that are preferred. By saying any color, pattern or variations is judged equally we are inviting unethical breeders to bring in other breeds. I personally want to see a Pom kept pure bred and I realize there are a lot of breeders who think otherwise but if they want a different looking dog, then buy another breed and leave the Pom alone.

We have recently read in the Pomeranian Review statements about the eyes. Since the standard does not mention color of eyes, green or blue eyes are permitted by the standard. They can be dark green or

dark blue and the darkness is determined by the judge and not us wishing something different. I certainly agree that they should be disqualified but legally they cannot be because of the wording of the standard. We might as well take the description of the almond shaped out because we haven't seen true almond eyes for about one hundred years. I think no breeder would actually want them in their breeding program. A true almond eye is an eye that is approximately half open. Lets reword that to read we do not want round eyes but eyes that are somewhat oval.

Do we need a new standard? I for one think so and if you do too, then please by all means write the APC Board of Directors and let them know your thoughts. The board is not going to touch this unless we as a club show we are ready for a new standard.

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I cannot understand why new breeders or new judges should find our standard lacking due to the fact that we do not list faults. I'm a dense person, but it is common sense to assume that legs that are not straight, would be considered a fault.

It is also common sense to assume that flat coat, broad muzzle, muzzle too short or too long, short legs, long legs, down in pasterns, cow hocked, legs too wide apart or too close together, long in body, applehead, over size eyes and ears, low set ears, undershot, overshot, out at shoulders, low set tail, gay tail, a non-fox-like head, long neck, over 7 lb., under 3 lb., off colored nose and eye rims, etc. would be considered faults as they do not conform to the wording of the standard. Why should this be hard to understand? What is the point in having a lot of words when fewer words should be sufficient? Ruth Beam, Great Elms Poms, Pineville, N.C.

(July 1973 Pomeranian Review.)

The Spitz Group



WHY I AM OPPOSED TO THE FORMATION OF A SPITZ GROUP

By Joan Beech, Jolvin Pomeranians

At first, I felt ambivalent about an 8th group at the shows, as long as it didn't include the Pomeranian. I have now changed my mind and I am opposed to the formation of a Spitz Group. The Spitz Group issue is extremely important to exhibitors and not to be treated lightly.



With the zealotry of the animal rights groups, the proponents of the Spitz Group are charging ahead with their agenda, not allowing or ignoring input from individuals/legitimate groups who are opposed. Pomeranian fanciers are not the only people who are not in favour of their breed being changed to this group.

The reasons I am opposed are:

a) Pomeranians are a toy breed of Spitz origin. They are valued for their spirit, beauty and animation. The Spitz group would be composed of guarding/herding/working dogs, a totally different focus. The toy breeds are "fancies", not valued for their expertise in the hunt, nor their herding ability, nor their ability to chase off a burglar or protect their territory. Yes, Pomeranians can do agility, obedience, etc., as they are now able to compete in those activities from the toy group.

b) Safety. Nobody ever told a Pom he was small, and Pomeranians will challenge other dogs, size notwithstanding. If in the Spitz group, they would be gathering at ringside or in the ring with Akitas, Siberian Huskies, standard American Eskimos, and other larger dogs. It is easy to say that the owners should be able to control their animals so there would be no danger to Poms, but many times I have seen novice or inattentive handlers whose animals were not well controlled, or who were physically unable to hold the dog back if it decided to lunge. Yes, any time you are at a dog show, you must watch your Pom and other dogs carefully. The incident at a US show last year where an Irish Wolfhound attacked a Schip and killed it comes to mind, as does the incident a few years ago where a Great Dane grabbed a small child by the head and had to be forced to release the child after shaking it a number of times. A toy dog would have been killed. There are many examples of such incidents. Sorry, folks, but a toy dog is seen as quarry by many other dogs at the shows; it's their nature, and no, their handler doesn't always have things under control or know how to handle a situation. If a toy dog is in BIS, there are only seven dogs in a large ring, and spacing and experience at that level can usually avoid bad situations.

Toy dogs are judged as a total package: coat, beauty, breed type, movement peculiar to the breed (Pekingese & Min-Pins) etc. The Pomeranian does not fit into the purposes of the Spitz group breeds. It is easy to say that judges will be aware of the difference and value the breed for the correct type; however, when every other breed in the group has essential breed type related to their function, how does this toy dog fit in? Example: The Siberian Husky must exhibit those qualities, which would enable it to endure extreme cold and sledding ability. Will the Pomeranian breed be judged with a similar yardstick? Will the breed eventually become much larger, reverting to its Spitz origin? Don't forget, at one time Poms were 40 lbs., had long ears, long muzzle, long body, hare feet (what Ann Rogers Clark calls "the dregs of the breed").

We have worked hard to get away from these characteristics, let's not step backwards and ignore the history and evolution of Poms. I have seen Yorkies in countries where the breed is shown in the Terrier group. Yorkie breeders in N. America value temperament, coat colour and texture, etc., and the Terrier group Yorkies had smutty gold colour, black woolly coats and just wouldn't be competitive here.

There are Spitz groups worldwide, but our closest comparison is to US shows. Why would we want to do what the Europeans do? In Australia, the Great Dane is in the Non-Sporting group along with poodles and bulldogs. Does that mean we should change the breed's exhibition here? I don't think so. *Spitz Group Continued on Page 41*



American Pomeranian Club, Inc.

Board Summary

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Board Summary June 2005

The Board of Directors of the American Pomeranian Club regretfully accepts Diana Downey's resignation from her positions of Director, Show Chairman, and Web Keeper.

The Board did not accept jurisdiction of charges between two members.

The Board of Directors of the American Pomeranian Club elected Donna Riehm as Director to fill the vacant board position.

The Board may decide that the member bringing charges is responsible to pay the costs of administering the jurisdiction decision and the possible resulting Hearing. The costs will be a reasonable estimate provided by the Board and to be paid in advance of any of the proceedings. Any unused portion will be returned to the member, which paid.

July 2005 Board Summary for the Review

All National entry payment methods and processing fees are established by the Show Secretary with Board approval.

APC will accept credit card payments for any amount over \$75.00; for purchases or payments less than that amount, a \$4.00 Convenience Fee must also be included. All On-line orders or payments will charge a \$4.00 Convenience Fee plus Shipping Fee if it applies.

APC has formed a web site committee composed of Kelly Reimschiessel as chair (keeper) and Elizabeth Heckert. Jennifer Munn will also assist with this committee.

APC has directed the web site committee to begin a redesign of our web site while currently maintaining/updating the present site. The Board will remain responsible for the site look and content and will approve each page as it is developed. APC will remain with our present server until decided otherwise.

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With the establishment of an 8th group, the overall numbers and quality in the remaining groups would weaken. Some countries have ten groups etc., but that doesn't mean all were strong. Competition is healthy and meaningful if there is strength.

For show purposes, breeds are roughly divided according to function, not physical attributes or origin. Notwithstanding, the Toy Manchester and Yorkshire Terriers are not in the Terrier group, but are primarily considered to be Toy dogs. The Cavalier and English Toy, although of ancient spaniel origin, are not in the Sporting group, but are primarily considered to be Toy dogs. The Italian Greyhound is not in the Hound group, but is primarily considered to be a Toy dog. Following these precedents, the Pomeranian, while of Spitz origin and descent, belongs in the Toy group as well. If groups are to be formulated based on origin or physical attributes, should all short-coated dogs be grouped together, or all breeds with achondroplastic fronts be grouped together? Custom and history in our dog show world are that common function overrides common physical characteristics for the group divisions.

Please weigh the implications of the Pomeranians in the Spitz Group carefully. This has been considered in the US, according to Sally Baugniet, and it was decided that the Pom belongs in the Toy group.

Note from Pomeranian Club of Canada: This article by Joan Beech has been endorsed by the Pomeranian Club of Canada as it reflects the Club's official position on this issue, as communicated to the Canadian Kennel Club. It also reflects the views of the vast majority of Club Members. ~ Bev Carter, Vice President, PCOC

"The Way I See It"

The first Pomeranian Review "Way I See It" column was published in 1958.



Sue Lucatorto

AKC licensed Judges' responses are welcome and appreciated. Pomeranian handler responses are also welcome. Contact Sue at Email casepoms1@aol.com, phone (718) 470-6267.

Judge Charlotte Patterson - Destin, Florida

PR: How long have you been an AKC licensed judge?

CP: I was initially approved to judge in 1991.



Charlotte Patterson

PR: Why did you apply to become a judge?

CP: After several years as a breeder-owner-handler, and then several more as a professional handler, the next logical step was to judge.

PR: What breed of dogs have you owned, lived with and bred?

CP: Pugs.

PR: Did you ever own or show a Pomeranian? If so, please tell us about some interesting facts and/or accomplishments about the Poms.

CP: I showed a Pom for a club member many years ago and when I called to tell her of a win, she cautioned me not to give any hard toys as he had a loose tooth. At that precise moment he was on my bed chewing on a small rawhide. I jumped up and had a look and thankfully the tooth was still there.

PR: What do you enjoy about judging Poms?

CP: Poms are not only an attractive breed, they are natural born show offs. You cannot help but smile at their antics. Poms are also one of the Toy breeds that has many owner-handlers in the classes and I enjoy that immensely.

PR: What do you expect from exhibitors in your ring?

CP: I expect them to present clean, trained dogs in a polite manner always remembering to be good sports no matter what the outcome.

PR: In general, what do you think an exhibitor can do to improve the "average" show Pom's presentation?

CP: Learn how to trim properly. Have someone else gait the dog at home so you can know and understand the good and bad points. Watch the judge's pattern before you class so you won't have to ask the judge (very annoying). Gait the dog at a proper gait. Do not stare at the judge.

PR: If you have been judging Pomeranians for over ten years, please answer the following questions.

PR: How has the overall quality of the Pomeranian improved since you have been judging?

CP: I feel the quality has improved significantly.

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Letters to the Editor

I was at Nina Epp's today, and I just wanted you to know how absolutely delighted and amazed she was to receive her Review. You shipped it in such a magnificent way! She reads some and cries some. Everyone who comes to visit has to look through the magazine and hear about Jake—including the Hospice nurse who knows nothing about dogs. I know being the editor is your job for our club, but you went way above and beyond on this. Barney Barnett took some pictures of Nina opening the magazine, and she'll be sending you one. Thanks again from the bottom of my heart for what you made possible.... I'm so happy she got her magazine in time to enjoy it. Thanks again. Love,
Nancy Smith

Liz talked to Nina Epps this morning and Nina told her how she couldn't believe so many people cared. She told Liz she would read awhile and then cry awhile...I think that this really touched her. In light of all that's happening in her life right now she really needed this. Thank you for your effort in making this happen.
Bob and Liz Pietzsch

Letter From the Editor

Below is a photo of the July/August Pomeranian Review that was sent to Nina Epps. Thanks to Lloyd and Linda Franques and Bob and Liz Pietzsch for underwriting the overnight delivery costs. Nina's thank you appears on page eighteen.

Please read the "Letters to the Editor" for some very special notes we received after Nina received the Pomeranian Review with the Memorial to Jake. Thanks to everyone who made this memorial edition possible.



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PR: Do you have any comments concerning our present Breed Standard?

CP: I feel your breed standard is one of the better ones.

PR: If you have any additional questions or comments, please feel free to express them.

CP: Exhibitors, handlers and judges should always remember that our sport of dogs should be one you enjoy. Remember the reason you got into the sport of dogs is that you had a dog you loved decided to show it. Enjoy the moment. Enjoy each and every win, big or small, and above all, enjoy your dog. 🐾

KENNEL *Visits*

November/December 2005

Muriel Menard

Les Petits Princes de Urkys

Patricia Rowley

Legacy Poms

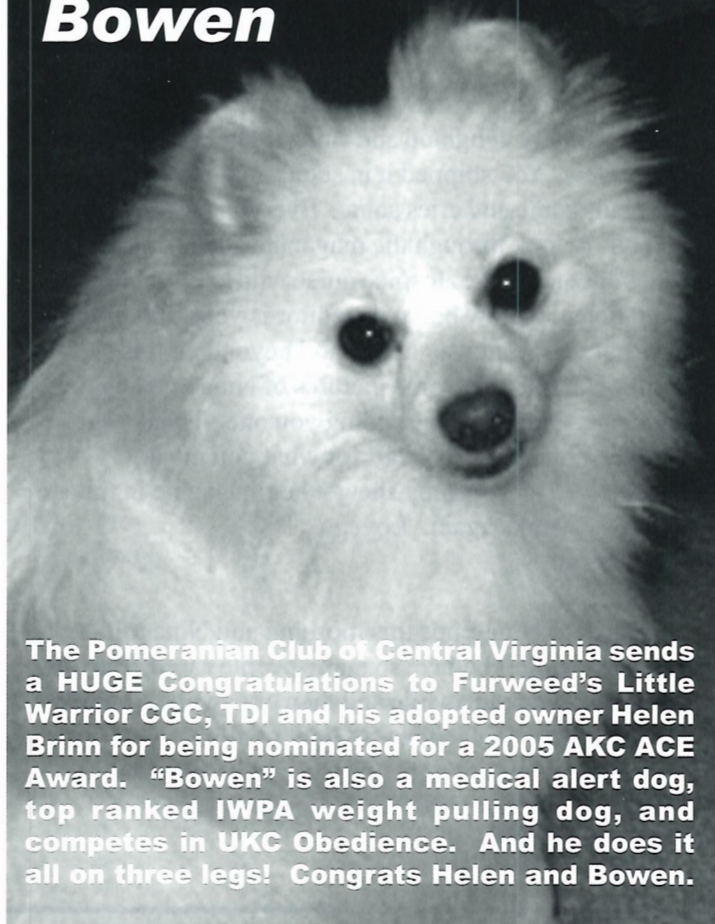
Contact Kennel Visit Coordinator Jessie Klein, to suggest or nominate candidates for upcoming APC Kennel Visits. Jessie may be contacted at 13107 County Road 470, Tyler, TX 75704, Ph. (903) 882-1950 or Email: jessie@mykeepsakes.net.

PCCV

Pomeranian Club
of Central Virginia



Bowen



Congratulations to PCCV member Linda DeCicco on her APC Kennel Visit.

The PCCV membership sends condolences to the family and friends of Gloria Setmayer.

The Pomeranian Club of Central Virginia sends a HUGE Congratulations to Furweed's Little Warrior CGC, TDI and his adopted owner Helen Brinn for being nominated for a 2005 AKC ACE Award. "Bowen" is also a medical alert dog, top ranked IWPA weight pulling dog, and competes in UKC Obedience. And he does it all on three legs! Congrats Helen and Bowen.

APC NATIONAL SPECIALTY LOGO ART CONTEST

The American Pomeranian Club will offer an art contest for all artists, APC members and non-members, in the pursuit of creating the APC Specialty Logos for the years 2007 through 2010, while recognizing the creative talents of numerous artists.

This contest will begin March 17, 2005, and end January 1, 2006. All artwork entered must be received by midnight January 1, 2006.

A panel of judges will be selected and announced in the Pomeranian Review.

Entries will be accepted in any media (Oil, Pencil/Colored Pencil, Ink, Computer generated).

Winning entries will be announced for the years 2007, 2008, 2009 and 2010.

All artwork submitted becomes the property of the American Pomeranian Club. No one person shall financially gain from the artwork. All proceeds will be used for the APC general operating fund.

No entry will be accepted which specifies any condition as to its acceptance or use.

All entrants will be displayed at the March 2006 APC National Specialty, and the winners will be announced there.

If artwork donations are numerous, artwork that is not selected for logos will be used as auction fundraising items within the next five years at the National Specialty.

PRIZES: Winners: Certificate of Appreciation, Rosette, Feature in the Pom Review magazine. All attending the 2006 APC National Specialty may vote for a "People's Choice" award by casting onsite cash ballots.

The American Pomeranian Club looks forward to the participation of the many gifted artists, both members and non-members. Entry forms may be obtained by contacting Donna Riehm at 669 Ava Road, Murphysboro, IL 62966, email mom4poms@aol.com or phone (618) 684-4644 or photocopy the entry blank below.

NATIONAL SPECIALTY LOGO ART CONTEST

PARTICIPANT ENTRY FORM

PLEASE COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION AND MAIL TO
DONNA RIEHM, 669 AVA ROAD, MURPHYSBORO, IL 62966.

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE NUMBER: _____

CELL PHONE NUMBER: _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

THE AMERICAN POMERANIAN CLUB THANKS YOU FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION



Just Fur Fun



Mary-Ann Yanez, Yanezshelt@aol.com



"Call the emergency vet!"
Fideli owned by Marie Wixstrom



"What makes you think you were adopted?"
Mindy and Hilton submitted by Donna Wasidewski



"Trick or treat?" Sweet Pea owned by Fran Kamp



"I'm going to have a *ball* raking leaves." Owned by Danielle Sartain



"Shhh...! am hiding from Mom!" submitted by Jackie Deiber



Mary-Ann Yanez, Yanezshelt@aol.com

Pomeranian artwork used throughout the Review was created and donated by professional artist, Mary-Ann Yanez. This artwork, as well as the entire Pom Review (see page 88) may not be copied or reproduced without the Editor and APC's written approval.

WANTED! Unique and candid Pom photos are welcome. It's Just Fur Fun.

HEALTH AND GENETICS

Julie Kallbacka



Happy summer! This month's column is going to be a little different from the usual. I don't ordinarily report about products here but this time I am making an exception in order to tell you about a product with very positive health benefits for our dogs. So rather than talk about hereditary illnesses this month I will relate my experience with a new product that actually seems to live up to it's advertising hype. It is called DAP, Dog Appeasing Pheromone. This product is marketed as a diffuser similar to the plug in air fresheners (this is the one I have been using) and as a spray. It is reported to be 100 percent safe for pets and humans, has no smell that humans can detect, neither does it have any effect on humans, but it works to keep dogs calm and content. It reduces stress and anxiety driven behaviors such as excessive barking and inappropriate chewing, and is especially helpful to those folks whose dogs must be alone for long periods of time each day.

Dog Appeasing Pheromone is a naturally occurring hormone that the nursing female secretes during the first 4 weeks after whelping. It is the necessary component for a happy, content puppy. Scientists have discovered how to market this pheromone for use in adult dogs. Being the skeptic I am, despite positive reports from a couple of rescue folks, I did not believe that this product would really live up to it's marketing propaganda and actually work on adult dogs in a manner similar to the natural occurring pheromone secreted by the nursing female that comforts her pups, so I had to give it a try and see for myself if this was just another come on, or if there was really something to it. I also convinced a friend of mine who works during the day and has a rather hyper new Pom youngster in her home to also try it so that we could compare notes. We both have seen a reduction of stress behaviors in our dogs. Both of us have seen the dogs calm down and become more content when within the radius of the DAP sphere. We both have also noticed decreased barking and less stress related behavior from our dogs while in the effective area of the DAP diffuser. Seldom does a product lived up to it's advertising claims but I believe this one really does!

Clinical studies have proven that D.A.P (Dog Appeasing Pheromone) helps reduce destructive behavior in 86% of dogs, excessive barking and whining in 70% of dogs and house soiling in 67% of dogs. From my experience it really does work! I have one dog who really dislikes being crated and over the summer has needed to be crated for approximately 6 hours a day while no one is home. This dog had compulsively licked his front legs during the time he was confined and I expect engaged in some barking and whining too, but since using the DAP diffuser in the crating area he has stopped his stress behavior and is no longer the stressed out maniac that he used to be when we return home. I have truly been impressed by the effectiveness of this product.

I am excited about this product and can see numerous applications for its use in training dogs and puppies. I have not yet used it for carsickness but I am planning to try the spray for this purpose and see if it will work to reduce this common problem that so many show folks must deal with. I suspect it just might prove to be an effective means of controlling many of the stress symptoms experienced by our show dogs including the diarrhea that they often get as a result of the stress of the show circuit. I can see benefits and applications for this product for kennel owners, show enthusiasts as well as pet owners. The spray could be very instrumental in helping reduce shipping anxieties for both the dog and the breeder or owner. It could be helpful to the adjustment of the newly acquired

Pomeranian Charitable Trust

QUILT PROJECT

We will be making a t-shirt quilt to be raffled off in Louisville next year at the nationals. We need contributions. I will embroider your name either on the front or back of the t-shirt quilt square that you have donated. Please try to send a clean shirt that is not stained. We can also make a quilt out of canvas bags if we get enough.

All proceeds will go to the Pomeranian Charitable Trust to try to find a cure for alopecia. Ticket prices will be announced later. Please send your shirts or canvas bags to me and I will have them assembled. If you have any suggestions for colors you would like to see used please let me know. When a picture is ready, I will send it to Diana Downey so it can be posted on the APC website. I thank each and every one of you for your participation and dedication to our beautiful Pomeranian angels. My address is as follows: Ann Berryman, 521 Layfield Road, East Ridge TN 37412
Email: joeannberry@bellsouth.net.

THANK YOU

What a positive way to memorialize two back-to-back BIS wins! Donna Machniak and Dana Coventry sent in a \$500.00 contribution to the PCT in honor of Ch. Firebrook's Tabasco Fiasco (Toby)'s accomplishments. Knowing that this contribution will directly help all Poms in the future should make that pleasure of winning in the show ring even more positive and long lasting. A list will be kept and posted of Poms honored in this way.

The Trust has also received an on-going contribution of \$100.00 from Pauline McFarlane and Karen Crawford as a result of their sales of the video, "Pomeranian Grooming with Karen Crawford." This donation will become part of the dedicated funds to the Hair Loss Study.

We have heard the expression "putting money where your mouth is". These people have "put money where their heart is." Along with all Poms, the Trustees are sincerely appreciative.

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puppy or adult in adjusting to its new surroundings and routines.

The diffuser can be purchased on line for a reasonable price. About \$30.00 at various websites and from wholesale pet catalogs like Omaha Vaccine. Pet Smart also carries the product but with a higher price tag. The diffuser lasts approximately 30 days with continual use. The spray version comes in a 60 ml bottles for around \$23.00 and of course, how long it lasts would depend on how much and how often one uses it.

There is also a feline equivalent named Feliway that is reported to have a 95% success rate at reducing or eliminating urine marking and vertical scratching.

In closing, I hope you don't mind my touting a product in this column this time. But I felt that this new product could be a boon for both dogs and their owners to facilitate a more comfortable co-existence by reducing canine stress levels and the often destructive behaviors that arise due to canine stress and anxiety.

Please feel free to email me at kalasicpoms@msn.com to share your experiences if you decide to give this product a try.

Until next time, have a safe and exciting summer, Julie.

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British Lane N Fame Parti Boy

Breeder: Wendy Chambers

British Lane - Pomeranianfaces@aol.com - (815) 368-3203. Female breeding has been repeated.

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British Lane N Fame Parti Girl

Male breeding will also be repeated.

fame62401@yahoo.com 217-347-5731

Owner: Brenda Segelken

Ways and Means

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Walda Green

Hello Everyone!

Well, the summer national is history now. A big congratulations to all the winners!

I want to extend a big apology to Laurretta Flynn. I am SO SORRY your name was omitted on National donations thank you list in the last Review. Thank you so much for the making and donating that wonderful frame for the beautiful artwork by Stefano Scullino. Also, thanks to Stefano Scullino for the two fabulous pieces of artwork. HOW COULD I forget these two very gracious people? THANK YOU BOTH SO VERY MUCH!

The following items are available from your Ways and Means committee:

APC set of three logo decals

(You can use these on your crates, tack boxes, car windows etc).....\$5.00

APC Lapel Pin (members only).....\$5.00

We are currently out of the APC Illustrated Standard. We will list it in future Ways N Means report when it becomes available again. The Illustrated Standard, with lovely color illustrations, is a must for anyone in Poms.

Prints by Chris Heartz: (limited (50), signed and numbered)

2003 Specialty Edition "Meet Me In Kentucky".....\$45.00

2004 Specialty Edition "The Race is On"\$45.00

Prints by Stefano Scullino

Black and White print.....\$35.00

Color Print\$45.00



All above prices include shipping, make all checks payable to APC and send to: Walda Green 8120 Harvard Dr., Ben Lomond, CA 95005 Questions? E-mail winstarpoms@sbcglobal.net

And don't forget that great video of the 2005 Winter National. Those of us that already have it agree it was beautifully done. THANKS to Cheri McDonald for doing such a splendid job.

2005 APC National Specialty Video

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APC Ways & Means

8120 Harvard Drive

Ben Lomond, CA 95005



Make checks and money orders payable to American Pomeranian Club (U.S. funds only). Please allow up to 4 weeks for delivery.

APC TOP TEN

as reported by the American Kennel Club



Kelly D. Reimschiessel
Chairperson

BREED SYSTEM January 1, 2005 through July 9, 2005

by DOGS DEFEATED IN BREED COMPETITION

Rank	Points	Name
1	794	CH STARFIRE'S WICKED MEAN-N-NASTY (D) <small>Owners: J. Heath, W. Cosby, Fabian Ariento*, Jose A. Cabrera*</small>
2	762	CH FIREBROOK'S TABASCO FIASCO (D) <small>Owners: Lee Cook*, Donna Machniak*, Dana Coventry*</small>
3	573	CH VALCOPY BATBOY (D) <small>Owners: Ron Smith*, Marilyn Smith*, J. Pardue, M. Pardue</small>
4	491	CH PUFPRIDE SWEET DREAMS (D) <small>Owners: Diane L. Finch*, Noble Inglett*</small>
5	476	CH COTTONTOP DOIN' IT BETTER (D) <small>Owners: Linda Mulso*, B. Wollman</small>
6	232	CH JAN-SHARS YOU'RE NOT THE BOSS OF ME (D) <small>Owners: Judy Paris*, Letitia Cannon*</small>
7	388	CH IDLEWYLD PRECIOUS GEM (D) <small>Owner: Margaret R. McKee*</small>
8	294	CH BOBII'S RETURN OF THE KING (D) <small>Owner: Bobii Earle*</small>
9	277	CH JAKEN'S SPLASHING IN THE RAIN AT JAN LE (D) <small>Owners: A. Hendler, E. Dzuik</small>
10	269	CH RYMS W FAIR WARNING (D) <small>Owners: S. Wiemer-Martin*, R. Martin, S. Plouff, L. Plouff</small>

GROUP SYSTEM January 1, 2005 through July 9, 2005

by DOGS DEFEATED IN BREED, GROUP AND BEST IN SHOW COMPETITION

Rank	Points	Name
1	14,773	CH STARFIRE'S WICKED MEAN-N-NASTY (D) <small>Owners: J. Heath, W. Cosby, Fabian Ariento*, Jose A. Cabrera*</small>
2	8,638	CH PUFPRIDE SWEET DREAMS (D) <small>Owners: Diane L. Finch*, Noble Inglett*</small>
3	5,650	CH VALCOPY BATBOY (D) <small>Owners: Ron Smith*, Marilyn Smith*, J. Pardue, M. Pardue</small>
4	5,330	CH JAN-SHARS YOU'RE NOT THE BOSS OF ME (D) <small>Owners: Judy Paris*, Letitia Cannon*</small>
5	4,226	CH FIREBROOK'S TABASCO FIASCO (D) <small>Owners: Lee Cook*, Donna Machniak*, Dana Coventry*</small>
6	1,986	CH KIM'S CAMEO SIR LANCELOT (D) <small>Owners: Kim Smith, Jessica Smith Satallante*</small>
7	1,638	CH COTTONTOP DOIN' IT BETTER (D) <small>Owners: Linda Mulso*, B. Wollman</small>
8	1,402	CH RYMS W FAIR WARNING (D) <small>Owners: S. Wiemer-Martin*, R. Martin, S. Plouff, L. Plouff</small>
9	1,276	CH IDLEWYLD PRECIOUS GEM (D) <small>Owner: Margaret R. McKee*</small>
10	1,204	CH STARFIRE'S JOSEFINA IS NASTY (B) <small>Owners: Fabian Ariento*, Jose A. Cabrera*</small>

APC members are noted with an *. In order to be eligible for APC Awards at the Annual Banquet you must have been a member for one (1) calendar year. Every effort is made to compile accurate statistics. Please bring any errors or if your dog(s) are listed in the "corrections" of the AKC Awards issues, please contact awards@americanpomeraniansclub.org before January 15, 2006.

APC TOP TEN ~ Breeder, Exhibitor, Sire, Dam

statistics by the American Kennel Club ~ January 1, 2005 through June 30, 2005

Top Breeders

Diane L. Finch*	9
Fabian Arienti*	7
Jose A. Cabrera*	7
K. G. Griffith*	6
Sharon Hanson*	6
Jerrie Freia*	5
Lee D. Cook*	2
Laurie Otis	3
Dana Plonkey	3
Sharon Yampiro*	3

Top Sires

CH Pufpride Sweet Dreams	9
CH Firebrook's Tabasco Fiasco	4
CH Jan-Shars Dudly Doright	4
CH Jan-Shars N Sync	3
CH Aj's Smokin Joe	2
CH Aj's Tuff As Nails	2
CH Cheyennes Kodiak Bear Second	2
CH Finch's Rolling Like A River	2
CH Finch's Walkin After Midnite	2
CH Great Elms Mr Chips	2
CH Janesa's For Keep-Sake	2
CH Music Maker Of Lenette	2
CH Nguyen Cory Loverboy Of GQ	2
CH Paughprints Tradition Rocks On	2
CH Reginapoms Gator In Motion	2
CH Starfire's Nicolas El Grande	2
CH Starfire's Wicked Mean-N-Nasty	2
CH Tim Sue's Fantastic High	2
CH Valcopy Wakhan Valentino	2
Velvet Touch Versace	2

Top Dams

Firebrook's Beanie Baby	2
CH Jan-Shars Brewin Up A Storm	2
CH Kacee's LTL Darlin Want-A-B	2
Ch Starfires Table Dancer	2

Top Exhibitors

Fabian Arienti*	6
Jose A. Cabrera*	6
Sharon Hanson*	6
Charlotte Meyer*	3
Laurie Otis	3
Pongsakora Pongsak*	3
Valerie Allridge*	2
Sherri Alspaugh*	2
Christine Bousquet*	2
Prakit Chularojmontri *	2
Linda DeCicco*	2
Jerrie Freia*	2
David Gilstrap*	2
K.G. Griffith*	2
Noble Inglett*	2
Jessie Klein*	2
Jane Lehtinen*	2
Alane Levinsohn*	2
Clarice M. Oganeku*	2
Yvette H. Oganeku*	2
Dana L. Plonkey	2
Annette Rister	2
Celeste Favilla Solano*	2
Robert Solano *	2
Chaivat Tangkaravakun*	2
Maynard Wood*	2
Sharon Yampiro*	2

Top Junior Handlers

Catherine M. Jessen, Junior's Chair
as reported by AKC Awards Issues January through April
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Mariah Seering	29	Jordan Rothell	18	Letesh Gith	10
Blake Armstrong	29	Jessica Page	17	Taylor Irvin	8
Hunter Seering	20	Danielle Miller	12	Jocelyn Margret Lusk	6

New Champions

Champions of Record are Confirmed by AKC

May

CH Aphrodites Moonstruck (B) Aphrodite's Austin x Aphrodites Co Co Chanel. Owned & Bred by: Linda Decicco*.

CH Articpoms-Wyn-Lighting-Strks (D) CH Articpoms Iron Will x Artic Poms Yakk D Yak. Owned & Bred by: Julie Volkheimer & Sharry Christianson.

CH Castile's Picasso (D) CH Zanara Glen Iris Braveheart x CH Glen Iris Duchess Of Castile. Owned & Bred by: Geno Sisneros*.

CH Clairmont's Carolina Beau (D) CH Great Elms Mr Chips x Clairmont's Carolina Sunshine. Owned by: Rita Baldauff & Joyce Urban*. Bred by: Lance Bryson.

CH Cr Classic Edition (D) CH Cheyennes Kodiak Bear Second x CH Rodi's Cr Queen Of Stars. Owned by: Robert Solano*, Celeste Solano*, Dr. Mollie Wilson & Alexander Wilson. Bred by: Celeste Solano* & Robert Solano*.

CH Extane Banner Performance (D) Apolloette Gold Banner x Apolloettes Naughty N Nice. Owned & Bred by: Sharon Shipek*.

CH Finch's One Hot Mama (B) CH Pufpride Sweet Dreams x CH Finch's Shesa Lil Brick. Owned by: Charlotte Meyer*. Bred by: Diane L. Finch*.

CH Finch's Red Sky At Night (B) CH Pufpride Sweet Dreams x Finch's Simply Breathtaking. Owned by: Jacqueline R. Deiber & Tammy A. Deiber. Bred by: Diane L. Finch*.

CH Firebrook's The Heat Is On (D) CH Firebrook's Tabasco Fiasco x Firebrook's Beanie Baby. Owned by: Mary E. Latimer. Bred by: Lee D. Cook*.

CH Great Rivers Little Rascal (B) CH Great Rivers Aint No Paint x CH Ti Amo Liberty Of Great Rivers. Owned & Bred by: Sharon Yampiro*.

CH Great Rivers Puppet on a String (D) CH Great Rivers Lil Lover Boy x CH Starfire's Sarina. Owned by: Angel Arocho. Bred by: Sharon Yampiro*.

CH Honeykist I'M A Bizzy Bee (B) Emcee's Golden Ferrbee x Honeykist Dark-N-Darling. Owned & Bred by: Christine Bousquet*.

CH Honeykist Struck Gold (D) CH Honeykist Gold Rush Fever x Honeykist Ginger Snap. Owned & Bred by: Christine Bousquet*.

CH Horizon's Gator Legacy At Kc's (B) CH Reginapoms Gator In Motion x CH Kacee's LTL Darlin Want-A-B. Owned by: Katy Stalnakker*. Bred by: Laurie Otis.

CH Idlewylds Pocket Change Of Tramark (D) CH Idlewyld Treasure Trove x Terimars Idlewyld Gold Ring. Owned by: Travis Clarke. Bred by: Margaret R. McKee*.

CH Jan-Shars No Rhymn Or Reason (B) CH Aj's Tuff As Nails x CH Jan-Shars Brewin Up A Storm. Owned & Bred by: Sharon Hanson*.

CH Janesa's Wanna Play Jax (D) CH Sundown's Hide N Zeke CD x Raine-Bet's Wrapped 'N Ribbons. Owned by: Jean Kröll. Bred by: Jerrie Freia*.

CH Julie's Secret Of Ivan (B) Carousel You Lite Up My Life x CH Legendary Rose Of Ivon. Owned & Bred by: Lavonne Beard* & Dwight D. Beard.

CH Larajus Palisades Picasso (D) Velvet Touch Versace x Palisades Larajus Fantasy. Owned by: Laura Lynn Newbold & Sara Reyes. Bred by: Ellen Smith & Laura Lynn Newbold*.

CH Linetrees Brooke O Cottontop (B) Linetrees Master Blend x Cottontop Moonlite Affair. Owned by: Clint Taylor & Marsha Taylor. Bred by: Mary Bonnell & Linda L. Mulso*.

CH Making A Splash At Lenette (D) CH Dominic Of Lenette x CH Sweet Charlotte Of Lenette. Owned by: Jackie Rayner* & Ken Rayner, Jr.*. Bred by: K. G. Griffith*.

CH Marilyn's Little Bit Of Gem (D) CH Marilyn's Show Gem O Rubys x Marilyn's Crystal Applause. Owned by: Marilyn Garner. Bred by: Marilyn Garner.

CH Mi Babe Buff's Luna Rain Beau (B) Bar-Net Mibabe Bebop To Music x CH Mi Babe Rain Beau's Margarita. Owned by: Buff Webb & Babe McCombs*. Bred by: Jean E. Cook & Babe McCombs*.

CH Mini-Aker's Lil'buger Bear (D) Velvet Touch Cajun Of Milady x Miladys Sure Is Dallas. Owned by: Cathie Ake. Bred by: Susan E. Owens.

CH Mtn Crest Q'N Latifah Of Lenette (B) CH Magic Touch Of Lenette x Dee Dee Of Lenette II. Owned by: David Gilstrap* & Carlene Gilstrap*. Bred by: K. G. Griffith*.

CH Patricia's Golden Phoenix (B) CH Weewyn's A Walk In The Park x CH Patricia's Golden Bee. Owned by: Kelly D. Reimschiessel* & Susan Adamson. Bred by: Pati Danielson*.

CH Roselane That My Chevy (D) Dossmar's Buzz Of My Heart x Roselane Red Robin. Owned by: Marian F. Dossinger. Bred by: Margaret L. McConnell.

CH Rueben Of Lenette (D) CH Aj's Smokin Joe x Tammy's In Love Of Lenette. Owned & Bred by: K. G. Griffith*.

CH Showcase Boys Will Be Boys (D) CH Mountain Crest JJ x Showcase Malibu Barbie. Owned & Bred by: Alane Levinsohn* & Curtiss G. Smith.

CH Starfire's Between The Sheet (B) CH Starfire's Nicolas El Grande x CH Starfire's Lady Of The Night. Owned & Bred by: Fabian Arienti* & Jose A. Cabrera*.

CH Starfire's Casanova (D) CH Pufpride Sweet Dreams x CH Starfire's Between The Sheet. Owned & Bred by: Jose A. Cabrera* & Fabian Arienti*.

CH Sugar Rae's Pie In The Sky (D) CH Davins Midnight Eclipse x Sugar Rae's Copacabana. Owned by: Angela Semansky* & Kevin Orr*. Bred by: Angela K. Semansky*.

CH Tabletop's Black Mail Sender (D) Hollily's Circuit Breaker x Tabletop's Tahitian Pearl. Owned & Bred by: Jan Stachurski*.

CH Ti Amo's The Sky's The Limit (D) CH Great Rivers Lil Lord Adonis x Ti Amo's Mandolin O' Kisses. Owned & Bred by: Dr. Rosanne M. Cebelenski*.

CH Tim Sue's Hightailit (B) CH Tim Sue's Fantastic High x Royalty Destined For Tim Sue. Owned & Bred by: Tim Goddard & Sue Goddard.

CH Toon Towns Tiny Bear Paw (D) Skippys Lil Buddy 'O' Toontown x Toontown Fairwyn Okey Dokey. Owned by: Sherry Heise & Michelle Ridenour. Bred by: Mary E. Ridenour.

CH Valcopy Stillcove Girl Talk (B) CH Valcopy Wakhan Valentino x Candyfloss Road Runner. Owned by: Dana L. Plonkey & Cynthia Bradley*. Bred by: Dana L. Plonkey, Hideko Strasbaugh & Cynthia Bradley*.

CH Wee Hearts Charming Puff Daddy (D) Wee Hearts Domino's Shadow x Rocky Tops Sassy's Shadow. Owned by: Lucy Zambrano. Bred by: Janice McMahan.

CH Windkiss The Devil Made Me Do It (D) Aphrodite's Austin x Windkiss Red Ruby. Owned by: Linda L. Saball. Bred by: Linda L. Saball.

CH Wood's Truly A Legend (D) CH Wood's I Wanna Talk About Me x Wood's Sweet Sensation. Owned & Bred by: Maynard Wood*.

CH Wyndlor Daisy Doright (B) CH Jan-Shars Dudly Doright x Absolute Wyndlor Gold Charm. Owned by: Pat Diebull & Becky Sabourin*. Bred by: Becky Sabourin*.

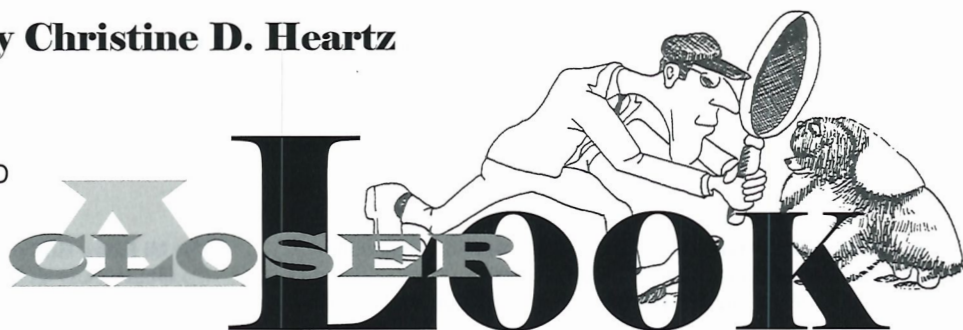
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By Christine D. Heartz

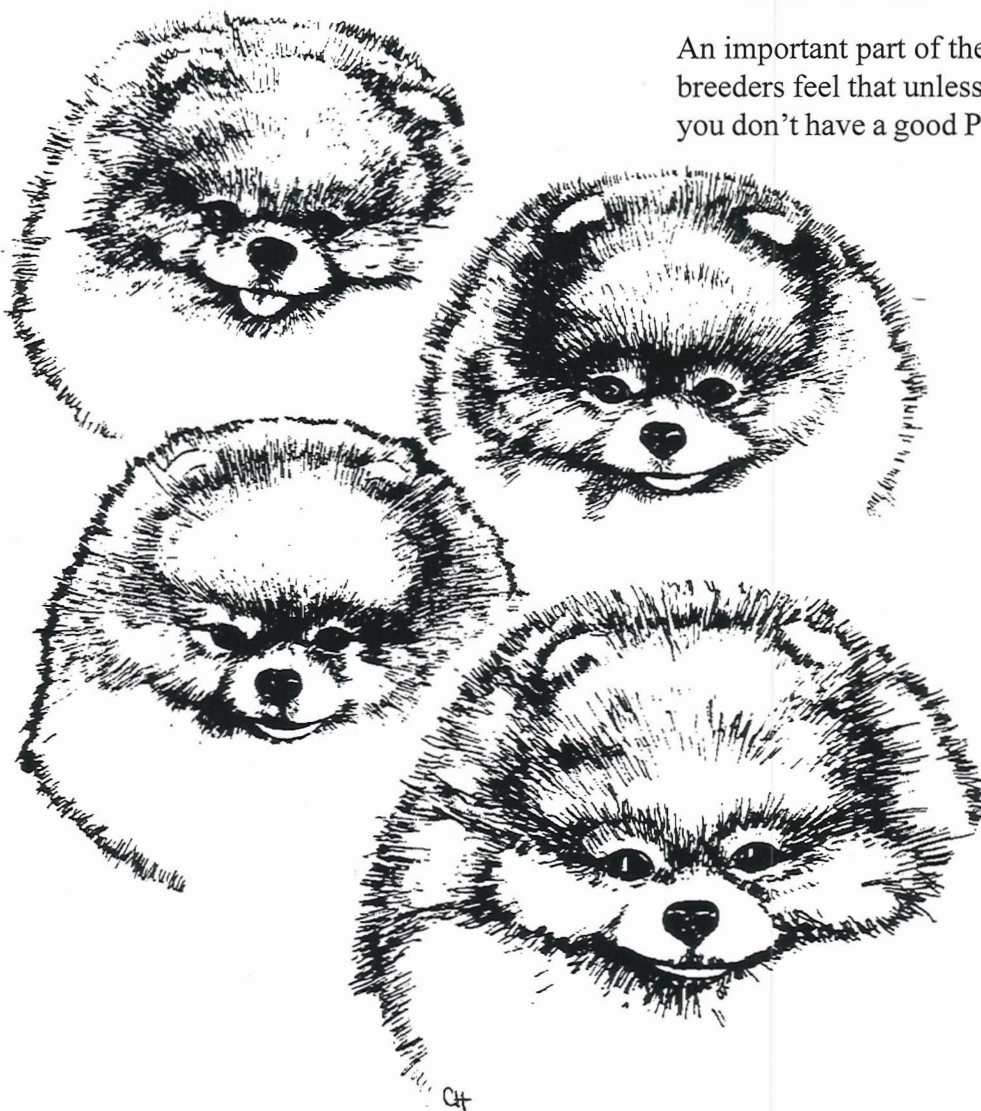
STRUCTURE AND DETAILS: THE HEAD



An important part of the Pomeranian breed is the head. Many breeders feel that unless you have a big coat and a pretty head, you don't have a good Pom. To an extent, this may be true, but these points cannot take precedence over other important breed traits such as outline, type and carriage. Even if the head is considered very important, it cannot be more important than the body carrying it. A beautiful headpiece must be on a sound and typey body before you have a good Pomeranian.

The Pomeranian should have an alert, foxy expression. This expression can only be obtained if the head, eye and muzzle details are correct according to the Standard. Any deviation from the ideal head details will detract from the correct expression.

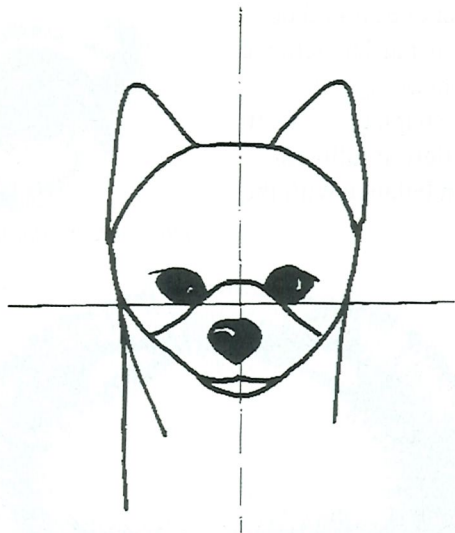
To understand the Pomeranian head we must remember that a Pom is a Spitz breed. This group of dogs includes the Keeshond, Samoyed, Siberian Husky, Finnish Spitz and the Elkhound. These dogs, particularly the Kees, are distant relatives of the Pom and even though they vary in body structure and coat type, they all have the characteristic alert expression, high set, pointed ears, wedge shaped muzzle and almond shaped eyes.



Examples of good heads. Each one is slightly different. You may find one appeals to you more than another, and this allows for difference in type



The Pomeranian head, when viewed from above should be wedge shaped and the muzzle should finish rather fine. The muzzle should continue back in a smooth, straight line to the back skull. If you were to measure the head, and each one will vary, generally you will find that, from the tip of the nose to the stop and from the stop to the back of the skull the measurement would be about 1:2.



Here we examine the head, a front view. Without hair is easier to determine structure.

When looking at the head straight on, notice about half the ear stands above the head. The other half is hidden in the coat. A balanced head can be divided into four fairly equal parts. Obviously each dog is built somewhat differently, but it often helps to look at the structural makeup of bad head and a really good head to see the differences. Often it comes down to balance. Tall ears, a long muzzle, too much skull, all throw the head out of balance. Coat plays an important part in the appearance of the head, too. Some lines of Poms mature with fuller muzzles or more head coat and feeling with the hands may be necessary to determine that the structure is still a wedge.



Correct wedge shaped muzzle.



The muzzle on this dog is too round. It should always be a wedge shape, fitting smoothly into the back skull, not a ball mounted on the front of the skull.

When viewed front on, the muzzle should appear to fit smoothly into the skull like a wedge. The muzzle should not be heavy, round or Chow-like. The Pomeranian Standard asks for a rather short, straight, fine muzzle. The Standard also says free from lippiness, which indicates a smooth, clean face with no flew hanging down.

The details on the head can change the expression dramatically. The correct eye should be almond shaped, which is typical in most Nordic breeds. Correct eye shape is hard to achieve today partly because of the fad for baby doll and teddy bear faces, which encourages a rounder eye, a rounder muzzle and a domed head. The correct almond eye shape gives a soft expression and when combined with small ears that are set high, gives the alert, intelligent look that is so desired according to the Standard. The nose too should be in balance with the rest of the head and should be about the same size as the eye.



The correct almond shaped eye.



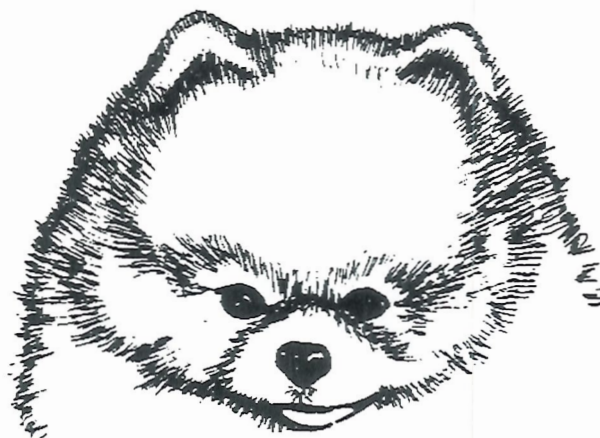
The eye is too small.



The eye is too large and round.



The dog's ears, while small, are mounted too low on the head.



This dog's ears are too large.

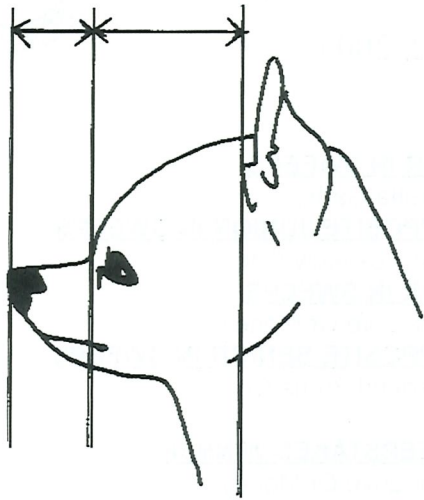
It is generally accepted that a Pomeranian can never have ears, which are too small or too high set. I don't believe I have ever seen a Pomeranian that could be faulted for too small or too high an ear set.

When bathing a Pomeranian, it becomes obvious how large the ears really are. About 50% of the ear is mounted on the side of the head while the other 50% stands above the top of the skull. Look at the correct head diagram again. Notice how, even though the ear is mounted on the side of the head, it must be carried erect, not off to the side. Erect ear carriage is paramount in achieving an alert and foxy expression.

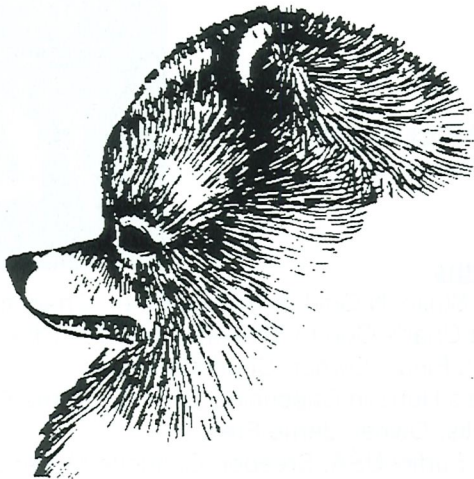


Correct ear set. Tiny ears set high on the head.

In profile, the head should have a definite stop but the skull itself should be flat or slightly rounded, not domed. Again, the head should be a wedge. The muzzle will finish fine if the dog has a correct scissors bite. The skull should never be open. If the dog has a lot of head coat, the skull may look domed. Feel to be sure.



The head in profile. Without hair it is easier to examine the structure.



The muzzle is too long.



The muzzle is too short.



This dog's underjaw is too prominent. It does not "finish fine". A strong underjaw also indicates a possible undershot mouth.



American Pomeranian Club Summer Specialty Results



Richfield, Ohio - July 21 and 22, 2005

The Ohio Valley Pom Club hosted the APC Summer Specialty at the Quality Inn in Richfield Ohio, with a total of one hundred and twenty five entries.



SWEEPSTAKES

Judge Brenda Segelken

DOGS

6 – 9 months

- 1 Razzle Dazzle Heavenly Choir – Breeder/Owner Judy Green
- 2 Razzle Dazzle Choir of Angels – Breeder/Owner Judy Green
- 3 Char's Strike 'N Gold – Breeder/Owner Charlotte Meyer
- 4 Char's Surfin' USA – Breeder Charlotte Meyer & Diane Finch, Owner Charlotte Meyer

9 – 12 months

- 1 Char's All That Jazz – Breeder/Owner Charlotte Meyer
- 2 Janlar's Indian Outlaw – Breeder Janet Wodrich & Mari Iffland, Owner Janet Wodrich
- 3 Finch's All The Right Moves II – Breeder Diane Finch, Owner Danielle Sartain & Linda Yax Sartain
- 4 Char's Pillow Talkin' Pari – Breeder/Owner Charlotte Meyer

12 – 18 months

- 1 Char's The Legend Burns On – Breeder/Owner Charlotte Meyer
- 2 Marbil's Don't Rock The Jukebox – Breeder Mari Iffland & Donna Riehm, Owner Donna Riehm
- 3 Horizon-N-Janesa Indian Sundown – Breeders Laurie Otis, Camilla Knight, Jerrie Freia, Owner Laurie Otis
- 4 Razzle Dazzle Ready To Rhumba – Breeder Judith Green & Lisa Pauls, Owner Judith Green

BITCHES

6 – 9 months

- 1 Jan-Shars Gretta Garbo – Breeder/Owner Sharon Hanson
- 2 Janesa's Foo Foo The Snoo – Breeder/Owner Jerrie Freia
- 3 Pixie's Carmel Kissed – Breeders Carol Galavich & Evelyn Newyear, Owners Carol Galavich & Donna Megenhardt
- 4 Stolanne's I Wanna Talk ABT Me – Breeder/Owner Frances Stoll

9 – 12 months

- 1 Bush's At Last – Breeder Virginia Bush, Owner Kelley Witter & Virginia Bush
- 2 Jolvin Sweet Song Singer - Breeder/Owner Joan & Melvin Beech
- 3 Animation's Kim Possible – Breeder/Owners Lorinda Vasuta & Darren Lane
- 4 Animation's Dig 'Em – Breeder/Owners Lorinda Vasuta & Darren Lane

12 – 18 months

- 1 CH Char's For Love Or Money – Breeder Charlotte Meyer & Diane Finch, Owner Charlotte Meyer
- 2 Jolvin Opaline Sweet As Sugar, Breeder/Owner Joan & Melvin Beech

BEST JUNIOR IN SWEEPS

Jan-Shar's Gretta Garbo

BEST OF OPPOSITE JUNIOR IN SWEEPS

Razzle Dazzle Heavenly Choir

BEST SENIOR IN SWEEPS

CH Char's For Love Or Money

BEST OF OPPOSITE SENIOR IN SWEEPS

Char's The Legend Burns On

GRAND SWEEPSTAKES WINNER

CH Char's For Love Or Money

BEST VETERAN IN SWEEPSTAKES

CH Janesa's N Jan-Shars Chance – Camilla Knight



REGULAR CLASSES

Judge Charles Scott

Dogs

6-9 months

- 1 Char's Strike 'N Gold, Breeder/Owner: Charlotte Meyer
- 2 Finch's Char's Good Vibrations, Breeder: Charlotte Meyer & Diane L Finch, Owner: Charlotte Meyer
- 3 Janesa's Horizon Cappucino, Breeder: Jerrie Freia & Laurie Otis, Owner: Jerrie Freia
- 4 Char's Surfin' USA, Breeder: Charlotte Meyer & Diane Finch, Owner: Charlotte Meyer

9-12 months

- 1 Char's All That Jazz, Breeder/Owner: Charlotte Meyer
- 2 Janlar's Indian Outlaw, Breeder: Janet Wodrich & Mari Iffland, Owner: Janet Wodrich

12-18 months

- 1 Finch's See Me Comin', Breeder: Diane L Finch, Owner: Charlotte Meyer
- 2 Char's The Legend Burns On, Breeder/Owner: Charlotte Meyer
- 3 Marbil's Don't Rock The Jukebox, Breeder: Mari Iffland & Donna Riehm, Owner: Donna Riehm
- 4 Razzle Dazzle Ready To Rhumba, Breeder: Judith B Green & Lisa Pauls, Owner: Judith B Green

Bred By Exhibitor

- 1 Horizon-N-Janesa Indian Sundown, Breeder: Laurie Otis, Camilla Knight & Jerrie Freia, Owner: Laurie Otis
- 2 Razzle Dazzle Heavenly Choir, Breeder/Owner: Judith Green

Open (Red, Orange, Cream & Sable)

- 1 Finch's Bettin' On Char's, Breeder: Diane L Finch, Owner: Charlotte Meyer

2 Beau James Back To Indian Rock, Breeder/Owner: Cynthia Wallen
3 Beau James Dream Catcher, Breeder/Owner Cynthia Wallen
4 Great Elms Carbon Copy, Breeder: Ruth Beam, Owner:
Bonnie Stetson

Open (Any Other Allowed Color)

1 Char's Pillow Talkin' Parti, Breeder/Owner: Charlotte Meyer
2 Janesa's Tuff Act To Follow, Breeder: Jerrie Freia, Owner:
Katy Stalnaker
3 Finch's All The Right Moves II, Breeder: Diane L Finch,
Owner: Danielle Sartain & Linda Sax

Winners Dog (5 point major)

Horizon-N-Janesa Indian Sundown

Reserve Winners Dog

Char's Strike 'N Gold

Bitches

6-9 months

1 Pixie's Carmel Kissed, Breeder: Carol Galavich & Evelyn
Newyear, Owner: Carol Galavich & Evelyn Newyear
2 Janesa's Esther Price, Breeder/Owner: Jerrie Freia
3 Stolanne's I Wanna Talk Abt Me, Breeder/Owner: Frances Stoll
4 Char's Parti In My Dreams, Breeder: Charlotte Meyer,
Owner: Charlotte Meyer

9-12 months

1 Bush's At Last, Breeder: Virginia L Bush, Owner: Kelley L
Witter & Virginia Bush
2 Animation's Kim Possible, Breeder: Lorinda Vasuta &
Darren Lane, Owner: Lorinda Vasuta & Darren Lane
3 Jolvin Sweet Song Singer, Breeder: Joan & Melvin Beech,
Owner: Joan & Melvin Beech
4 Animation's Dig 'Em, Breeder: Lorinda Vasuta & Darren
Lane, Owner: Lorinda Vasuta & Darren Lane

12-18 months

1 Jolvin Opaline Sweet As Sugar, Breeder: Joan & Melvin
Beech, Owner: Joan & Melvin Beech

Bred By Exhibitor

1 Mai-T-Toi's Ms Shelamar, Breeder/Owner: Angela Nisbet
2 Razzle Dazzle Hallelujah Chorus, Breeder/Owner Judith Green
3 Stolanne's Essence Of Barkley, Breeder/Owner: Frances Stoll

Open (Red, Orange, Cream & Sable)

1 Oakrose Wrapped 'N Ribbons, Breeder: Joan Rose & Gail
Stewart, Owner: Charlotte Meyer, Joan Rose & Gail Stewart

Open (Black, Brown & Blue)

1 Horizon Mayan Sundown, Breeder: Laurie Otis & Donna
Machniak, Owner: Camilla Knight
2 Weewyn's Tilly At Linetree, Breeder: Cathy Anderson,
Owner: Mary Bonnell

Open (Any Other Allowed Color)

1 Finch's Char's Kiss N'Tel Parti, Breeder: Charlotte Meyer
& Diane L Finch, Owner: Charlotte Meyer

Winners Bitch (5 point major)

Horizon Mayan Sundown

Reserve Winners Bitch

Pixie's Carmel Kissed

Best Of Breed

CH Finch's Awesome On All Four, Breeder: Diane L Finch,
Owner: Kathryn J Norem

Best Of Winners

Horizon-N-Janesa Indian Sundown

Best Of Opposite Sex

CH Horizon's Wishful Thinking, Breeder: Laurie Otis,
Owner: Laurie Otis

Awards Of Merit

CH Horizon's Wishful Thinking, Breeder: Laurie Otis,
Owner: Laurie Otis
CH Tokie The Legend Continues, Breeder: Chaivat
Tangkoravakun & Prakit Chvlarojmantri, Owner: C
Tangkoravakun, P Chvlarojmantri, M Koga & Noble Inglett
CH Char's For Love Or Money, Breeder: Charlotte Meyer &
Diane L Finch, Owner: Charlotte Meyer
Horizon-N-Janesa Indian Sundown, Breeder: Laurie Otis,
Camilla Knight & Jerrie Freia, Owner: Laurie Otis
Horizon Mayan Sundown, Breeder: Laurie Otis & Donna
Machniak, Owner: Camilla Knight

Best Puppy In Regular Classes

Pixie's Carmel Kissed

Best Bred By Exhibitor

Horizon-N-Janesa Indian Sundown

Veterans 6-9 Years

1 CH Sundown's Hide N Zeke CD, Breeder: Camilla Knight,
Owner: Carol Leemhuis

Veterans 9+ Years

1 CH Janesa's N Jan-Shars Chance, Breeder: Jerrie Freia,
Owner: Camilla Knight

Best Veteran

CH Sundown's Hide N Zeke CD, Breeder: Camilla Knight,
Owner: Carol Leemhuis

Best Junior Handler (Novice Junior Class)

Arielle Grover – Bush's At Last Owned by Kelly Witter and
Virginia Bush

Best Brace

Char's The Legend Burns On, CH Char's For Love Or
Money, Breeder/Owner Charlotte Meyer

Obedience - JUDGE JEFFREY SHOWMAN

Novice B Class

1 Mil-Pines Max In Motion, Breeder: Patricia Jo Barnett,
Owner: Margery Sturm
2 CH Sundown's Hide N Zeke CD, Breeder: Camilla Knight,
Owner: Carol Leemhuis
3 CH Paughprint Endless Tradition CD, Breeder: Sherri
Alspaugh, Owner: Paulette Zecca

Veterans

1 Animation's Robocop, Breeder: Lorinda Vasuta & Darren
Lane, Owner: Carole Bray & Lorinda Vasuta
2 Ballykin Commando Cody CDX, Breeder: Renee McGrath
DVM, Owner: Paulette Zecca

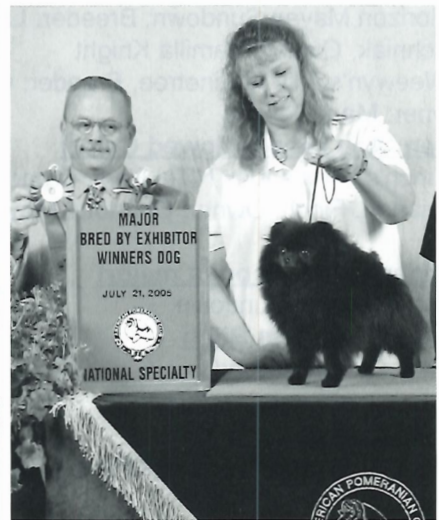
High In Trial

Mil-Pines Max In Motion, Breeder: Patricia Jo Barnett,
Owner: Margery Sturm

Highest Scoring AKC Champion of Record

CH Sundown's Hide N Zeke CD, Breeder: Camilla Knight,
Owner: Carol Leemhuis

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Dot Martin

There is no perfect Pomeranian. At least, not according to the standard. As breeders and exhibitors we know that. Judges know that too.

Breeders and judges should have the standard foremost in their minds when evaluating puppies and dogs. It is the ultimate guide when making decisions that affect breeding stock and will eventually take a breed to higher planes or down to ultimate destruction.

As much as we would like to think that all the puppies in our latest well-bred litter are candidates for championship status, that may not be the case, at least, not according to the standard.

There are no disqualifications for the Pomeranian other than those which are common to all breeds i.e. lack of two testicles of the same size in males and/or any attempt to bite a judge.

According to the Toy Fox Terrier standard, there are 9 reasons a judge can disqualify an entry, and thereby eliminate it from competition. Five of them have to do with color. Since this is a breed that has a job to do which is disposing of vermin on the owner's property, I don't really no why the color has such emphasis put upon it. It is probably due to what distinguishes the breed from other breeds, i.e. commonly known as breed type. But the American Toy Fox Terrier Club does not want any other colors to be recognized in their breed. It is supported by their membership and as a judge, I must abide by their standard. Just because nothing is designated "a disqualification" in Poms does not mean that all exhibits are deserving of championship points. Judges weigh the good against the not so good and determine which exhibit is the best specimen. Sometimes no exhibit is worthy.

The American Kennel Club and the American Pomeranian Club have duly established the current standard for the Pomeranian. There is no reason for change to allow for the latest fad being produced by some because they "can" do it or because they will obtain more profit for something "different".

There is a movement among some who desire to change our wonderful breed to something it is not and create something that is new and "different" but not according to the standard. The motives are questionable and open to speculation.

In the March 2005 issue of Dogs in Review, Judge, Dr. Dorothy McDonald, who has been a Brittany Spaniel breeder since 1955, answers two questions:

1. Do you feel that the current A K C breed standard is adequate?
2. In what foreign countries have you judged Brittanys, and how did they compare and what is the reason for any discrepancy in type?

This is her response: "The standard is a good one – it just needs to be followed closely. The discrepancy between the Brittany in France and the United States goes back to World War II. After the war France had almost no gene pool available, and while we did send over some breeding stock it was necessary for them to cross their dogs with Braques and French Spaniels. Consequently, they got the black color gene and instead of working to eliminate it in time, they simply changed their standard to allow black. We saw no reason, and still do not, to change our standard to accommodate bastardization."

There are web-sites on the internet that proudly feature "Poms" that are blue merle and Poms that have blue eyes. The resemblance to the Poms that I first saw over 30 years ago and fell in love with is very remote. However, anyone can establish a web-site and call the animals shown there Pomeranians. Those who are naïve and have never heard of the standard, much less, read it, may possibly fall for the latest fad. This is deception in its worst form.

Our breed is not the only one having problems with the Merle gene. Chihuahuas are seeing it appear in that breed. Those breeds

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ATTENTION: JUDGES PLEASE READ

The Board of Directors of the American Pomeranian Club respectfully requests that you take note of the following information.

The official standard that was approved by the American Pomeranian Club membership and the American Kennel Club in 1997, makes this statement with regard to the eyes of the Pomeranian.

“The eyes are dark, bright, medium in size and almond-shaped.”

It has been brought to the attention of the Board that there is a movement underway to show and win championship points on animals that have eyes that are blue and/or green in color. These colors are not “dark”. Dogs/bitches that have blue or green eyes are not acceptable and should be penalized to the point of eliminating them from competition. At no time since the breed was introduced in America before 1900 and approved for competition has the eye been any color other than dark brown.

We wish to encourage breeders to breed to the standard and concentrate on correcting faults that are clearly stated rather than introducing factors that are in direct opposition to what is already approved. While this is not a **DISQUALIFICATION** you cannot eliminate such dogs on that principal, however, ribbons can be withheld for lack of merit or simply place those dogs out of the ribbons.

Your cooperation in this matter would be greatly appreciated and if you have any questions, please contact me at edwardamartin@bellsouth.net or at 803-831-8086.

Thank you.

Dorothy F. Martin, Judges Education Coordinator

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that allow “all colors to be judged equally” face that problem. In an article written by Dr. Malcolm White of The United Kingdom and published in Top Notch Toys magazine Feb-Mar issue, the following is explained: “One color that does not exist naturally in the (Chihuahua) breed is merle, the dominant merle gene is found in Shetland Sheepdogs, Rough Collies, Border Collies, Australian Shepherds, Dachshunds and a few other breeds. Recently a number of Chihuahuas that carry merle have appeared in the USA and are gaining some credence as ‘fashion accessories’ and the like. Most reputable breeders are against the gene and it would be fair to say that it must have come in through a crossing, probably with Dachshunds. Since AKC would not register crossbreeds as Chihuahuas, one has to conclude that somewhere Dachshunds have appeared in pedigrees as Chihuahuas with false names.

It is crucial to point out that merle is a dangerous gene. The homozygous merle (MM) is usually white and very often has impaired hearing and sight. Some 30 years ago, Hannover workers showed eye problems in merle Dachshunds, sperm imperfections and impaired hearing. Hearing faults ranging from complete deafness to slight hardness of hearing occurred, thus merle is a gene that would be best eliminated as a defect and certainly not introduced to new breeds where it does not really exist.” To read the complete article, please see Top Notch Toys magazine – Feb-Mar 2005 issue.

The Board of Directors of the American Pomeranian Club has a legitimate concern about the attempts being made to change the breed and the standard in order to accommodate the interests of those who wish to start a new trend. Therefore, judges are being asked to eliminate from competition those dogs who deviate from the requirements of the standard. Blue eyes are not dark and do not conform to the standard. Such exhibits should be eliminated from competition.

Breeders have enough concerns to try to improve and to correct in order to have a dog that is good breeding stock and good representatives of the breed. Those who purchase our dogs deserve to have pedigrees that they can trust to be exactly what they say they are. Think carefully about what you are doing before you succumb to the temptation to try the latest trend. Then all your puppies will be bred according to the standard.

MEMORIAL Gloria Setmayer

In loving memory. Gloria Setmayer was one of the first people in dogs that I met back in 1990. I admired her in many ways. She was a great handler in her day and one thing that stands out in my mind, on one of our many trips to dog shows together was a book she showed me that she was in "Who's Who's." She was named as one of the top handlers.

Gloria finished my first champion that I bred Ch Tresstique Lil Orphan Annie, out of her pride and joy Ch Homesteads Spit-N-Polish whom she won multi BOB, group wins and BIS's with. What an accomplishment.

When Gloria's health started to fail I knew she needed a good dog to keep her going, and I was glad that I had Ch Tresstique No Bull I'm Cute (Noble) to let her have. She finished him quickly. She would be in the hospital and tell the doctors "I can't stay, I have a dog show to go to." I loved her spirit, even though at times when she would get to the show her asthma would be so bad her loving husband Emil would have to take the dog in the ring for her.

Gloria's in Gods loving arms now with all her many dogs she handled over the years. She was one of the greatest and will be missed by many.

A loving friend Bonnie Harris



Emil Setmayer



EXHIBITOR COURTESY

Those of you who have been exhibiting for many years know there are certain courtesies that are extended to fellow exhibitors. Occasionally there is an exhibitor who chooses to ignore those common courtesies and do everything in their power to try to make another exhibitor lose, so hopefully they will win. We call this "Poor Sportsmanship". A new exhibitor asks, "How do we deal with that?" I'm not sure I have the solution, but perhaps there are a few things you could think about.

By Sally Baugriet

For example: Occasionally an exhibitor will "run up" on the dog in front of them in the ring. When it was by mistake, all that is needed is a few kind words to the offending party. "Please stay back from my dog as I do not want him to be stepped on and hurt." This is usually a good enough reminder, if indeed it was accidental.

If it happens again, it was probably not accidental! In that case, perhaps stopping while the dogs are gaiting around the ring, making sure your dog is in front of you out of harms way, and asking the offender to please, either stay back or go in front of you. Perhaps the words would be in the hearing range of the judge. Be sure to be polite so the judge does not think you are the offender. Then ask the judge, politely, if he/she would ask the exhibitor to either stay back or go ahead of you so your dog is not injured.

If the offender runs up on your dog at every show, perhaps you might try this. Before you come in to the ring, ask the ring steward to relay the message about the person who always runs up on your dog. Or, if you are to come in the ring in numerical order and the person is directly behind you, you could ask the ring steward to ask the judge if you could be placed behind that person because he always runs up on your dog and you are afraid he/she will injure your dog. No judge wants to see a dog injured, especially not in their ring. I'm sure the judge will handle it appropriately. Never make yourself look like the "bad guy". We don't want anything to escalate into a Bench Show Committee Hearing! Most exhibitors are courteous and helpful, but occasionally we come across a "bad apple". The good thing is they don't usually last in our sport for very long. Bad apples rot and disintegrate.

AKC encourages good sportsmanship at dog shows. When poor sportsmanship and bad tempers raise their ugly head, AKC has provisions set for a Bench Show Hearing. I know that no one wants to go before a Bench Show Committee. So let us hope that we all try to be on our best behavior and be helpful and courteous to all involved in our world of dogs. Let's be sure we help the newbies!

THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH: Always remember the compliments you receive. Forget about the rude remarks. 

AMERICAN POMERANIAN CLUB, INC. ARCHIVES

STANDARD AND SCALE OF POINTS OF THE AMERICAN POMERANIAN CLUB.

Appearance—The Pomeranian in build and appearance should be a compact, short-coupled dog, well-knit in frame. His head and face should be fox-like, with small erect ears that appear sensible to every sound; he should exhibit great intelligence in his expression, docility in his disposition, and activity and buoyancy in his deportment. 10 Points

Head—The head should be somewhat foxy in outline, or wedge-shaped, the skull being slightly flat, large in proportion to the muzzle, which should finish rather fine, and be free from lippiness. The teeth should be level, and on no account undershot. The head in its profile may exhibit a little "stop," which, however, must not be too pronounced, and the hair on the head and face must be smooth or short-coated. 5 Points

Eyes—The eyes should be medium in size, rather oblique in shape, not set too wide apart, bright and dark in color, showing great intelligence and docility of temper. In a white dog, black rims around the eyes are preferable. 5 Points

Ears—The ears should be small, not set too far apart nor too low down, and carried perfectly erect, like those of a fox, and like the head, should be covered with soft, short hair. 5 Points

Nose—Should be self-colored in Browns and Blues. In all other colors, should be black. 5 Points

Neck and Shoulders—The neck, if anything, should be rather short, well set in, and lion-like, covered with a profuse mane and frill of long straight hair, sweeping from the under jaw and covering the whole of the front part of the shoulders and chest as well as the top part of the shoulders. The shoulders must be tolerably clean, and laid well back. 5 Points

Body—The back must be short, and the body compact, being well ribbed up and the barrel well rounded. The chest must be fairly deep and not too wide. 10 Points

Legs. The forelegs must be well feathered and

perfectly straight, of medium length, and not such as would be termed "leggy" or "low on legs", but in length and strength in due proportion to a well balanced frame. The hind legs and thighs must be well feathered down to the hocks, and must be neither cow-hocked nor wide behind. They must be fine in bone and free in action. The feet should be small and compact in shape. 10 points

Tail—The tail is a characteristic of the breed, and should be turned over the back and carried flat, being profusely covered with long spreading hair. 10 Points

Coat—Properly speaking there should be two coats, an under and an over coat; the one a soft fluffy under-coat, and the other a long, perfectly straight and glistening coat covering the whole of the body, being very abundant around the neck and fore part of the shoulders and chest, where it should form a frill of profuse, standing-off, straight hair, extending over the shoulders as previously described. The hindquarters like those of the Collie, should be similarly clad with long hair or feathering from the top of the rump to the hocks. The hair on the tail must be, as previously described, profuse and spreading over the back. 25 Points

Color—The following colors are admissible. Black, Brown, Chocolate, Red, Orange, Cream, Orange-Sable, Wolf-Sable, Beaver, Blue, White, and Parti-Colors. The Blacks, Blues, Browns and Sables must be free from any white, and the Whites must be free from lemon or any other color. A few white hairs in any of the self colors shall not absolutely disqualify but should carry great weight against a dog. In Parti-Colored dogs, the colors should be evenly distributed on the body in patches. A dog with a white foot or a white chest would not be a parti-colored dog. Whole colored dogs with a white foot or feet, leg or legs, are decidedly objectionable and should be discouraged and cannot compete as whole colored specimens. In mixed classes where whole colored and parti-colored Pomeranians compete together, the preference should—if in other points they are equals—be given to the whole colored specimens. Sables must be shaded throughout with

three or more colors, as uniformly as possible, with no patches of self color. Oranges must be self colored throughout and light shadings though not disqualifying, should be discouraged. 10 Points

Total, 100 Points

N. B.—Where Classification by Weight is made, the following scale, passed by the Club as the most suitable division, should be adopted by Show Committees.

- 1.—Not exceeding 7 pounds.
- 2.—Exceeding 7 pounds.

Where Classification by Color is made, the following division should be adopted.

- 1.—Black.
- 2.—Brown or Chocolate.
- 3.—Red, Orange or Cream.
- 4.—Sables.
- 5.—Any color not mentioned above.



APC Standard copied from the APC Constitution and By-Laws in the 1920s. Actual date unknown, but Article 3, Sec. 3 states Annual dues increase became effective May 1, 1928.

MY FIRST POM

Darrell and
Olga Baker



Darrell and I had been breeding and showing nice Dachshunds for several years. Then I saw the magnificent (at that time) Champion Aristic Wee Pepper Pod at a dog show, and knew we were destined to be Pom-people!

I did everything WRONG...sent letters, called, contacted, all the famous Pom people, with a dumb, "I want a wonderful female, showable, breedable, reasonably priced, etc. etc. etc." As you can imagine, I got NO ANSWERS!

Pursuing our idea, I watched newspaper ads (a really credible source, RIGHT?). We knew better, but found one newspaper ad, and visited some truly lovely people...but NOT dog-showing people...with a Pom puppy that I bought on the spot (with Darrell noting faults (slightly cow-hocked, tiny...)). A decent pedigree, healthy...she was chosen to be JERIBETH'S BITTY BONUS...purchased for \$85.00 with his bonus money...all of it!

Hey, don't giggle at this huge purchase amount...times were a bit different then, and that was a pretty LARGE bit of money...that was our FIRST POM ... AND what a bit of good fortune...Little "Bitty", bred well and carefully, became the grandmother of the famous CHAMPION CORN'S DUKE DRAGONFLY...and a delightful family pet, and wonderful producer.

Basis for all our Duke Dragonfly breeding. At the time, we didn't realize the value and importance of this little girl, but we loved her always, and appreciated her always...and she was OUR FIRST POM! (Sounds a little corny...but the truth!). We will look forward to other folks' FIRST POM stories and see if they are as bizarre as ours.

The Official APC/AKC Pomeranian Standard

Approved December 9, 1996



General Appearance

The Pomeranian is a compact, short-backed, active toy dog. He has a soft, dense undercoat with a profuse harsh-textured outer coat. His heavily plumed tail is set high and lies flat on his back. He is alert in character, exhibits intelligence in expression, is buoyant in deportment, and is inquisitive by nature. The Pomeranian is cocky, commanding, and animated as he gaits. He is sound in composition and action.

Size, Proportion, Substance

The average size of the Pomeranian is from 3 to 7 pounds, with the ideal weight for the show specimen being 4 to 6 pounds. Any dog over or under the limits is objectionable. However, overall quality is to be favored over size. The distance from the point of shoulder to the point of buttocks is slightly shorter than from the highest point of the withers to the ground. The distance from the brisket to the ground is half the height at the withers. He is medium-boned, and the length of his legs is in proportion to a well-balanced frame. When examined, he feels sturdy.

Head

The head is in balance with the body. The muzzle is rather short, straight, fine, free of lippiness and never snipey. His expression is alert and may be referred to as fox-like. The skull is closed. The top of the skull is slightly rounded, but not domed. When viewed from the front and side, one sees small ears, which are mounted high and carried erect. To form a wedge, visualize a line from the tip of the nose ascending through the center of the eyes and the tip of the ears. The eyes are dark, bright, medium in size and almond-shaped. They are set well into the skull on either side of a well-pronounced stop. The pigmentation is black on the nose and eye rims except self-colored in brown, beaver, and blue dogs. The teeth meet in a scissors bite. One tooth out of alignment is acceptable. Major Faults: Round, domed skull; under-shot mouth; overshot mouth.

Neck, Topline, Body

The neck is short with its base set well into the shoulders to allow the head to be carried high. The back is short with a level topline. The body is compact and well ribbed with brisket reaching the elbow. The plumed tail is one of the characteristics of the breed, and lies flat and straight on the back.

Forequarters

The Pomeranian has sufficient layback of shoulders to carry the neck and head proud and high. The shoulders and legs are moderately muscled. The length of the shoulder blade and upper arm are equal. The forelegs are straight and parallel to each other. Height from elbows to withers approximately equals height from ground to elbow. The pasterns are straight and strong. The feet are well arched, compact, and turn neither in nor out. He stands well up on his toes. Dewclaws may be removed. Major Faults: Down in pasterns.

Hindquarters

The angulation of the hindquarters balances that of the forequarters. The buttocks are well behind the set of the tail. The thighs are moderately muscled with stifles that are moderately bent and clearly defined. The hocks are perpendicular to the ground and the legs are straight and parallel to each other. The feet are well arched, compact, and turn neither in nor out. He stands well up on his toes. Dewclaws, if any on the hind legs may be removed. Major Faults: Cowhocks or lack of soundness in hind legs or stifles.

Gait

The Pomeranian's gait is smooth, free, balanced and vigorous. He has good reach in his forequarters and strong drive with his hindquarters. Each rear leg moves in line with the foreleg on the same side. To achieve balance, his legs converge slightly inward toward a centerline beneath his body. The rear and front legs are thrown neither in nor out. The topline remains level, and his overall balance and outline are maintained.

Coat

A Pomeranian is noted for its double coat. The undercoat is soft and dense. The outer-coat is long, straight, glistening and harsh in texture. A thick undercoat will hold up and permit the guard hair to stand off from the Pomeranian's body. The coat is abundant from the neck and fore part of shoulders and chest, forming a frill, which extends over the shoulders and chest. The head and leg coat is tightly packed and shorter in length than that of the body. The forequarters are well feathered to the hock. The tail is profusely covered with long, harsh, spreading straight hair. Trimming for neatness and a clean outline is permissible. Major Faults: Soft, flat or open coat.

Color

All colors, patterns, and variations there-of are allowed and must be judged on an equal basis. Patterns: Black and Tan - tan or rust sharply defined, appearing above each eye and on muzzle, throat, and fore chest, on all legs and feet and below the tail. The richer the tan the more desirable; Brindle - the base color is gold, red, or orange-brindled with strong black cross stripes; Parti-color - is white with any other color distributed in patches with a white blaze preferred on the head. Classifications: The Open Classes at specialty shows may be divided by color as follows: Open Red, Orange, Cream, and Sable; Open Black, Brown, and Blue; Open Any Other Color, Pattern, or Variation.

Temperament

The Pomeranian is an extrovert, exhibiting great intelligence and a vivacious spirit, making him a great companion dog as well as a competitive show dog.

Even though a Toy dog, the Pomeranian must be subject to the same requirements of soundness and structure prescribed for all breeds, and any deviation from the ideal described in the standard should be penalized to the extent of the deviation.

Judy Thompson from Grand Rapids sent this. "GRAC (Grand Rapids Agility Club) would like to congratulate **Betsy Ryba** and her black Pom, Polly, for winning a "Perfect Weekend" ribbon at our CPE agility trial this past weekend. Polly was the only dog to qualify in all ten of the weekend runs. They managed to do this in spite of the heat and humidity that we've had all summer in Michigan. Betsy and her Poms continue to amaze us!"

Then breeder **Julie Clemen** (Rise N Shine Pomeranians) wrote:

"One of my kids and her handler are burning up the agility ring so I thought I'd send her brags for the APC Mag! The team is **Anita Moran** and Rise N Shine's Black Coffee, OA, OAJ, NAD." Anita says, "It's official. Gina is now OA OAJ. Finishing her Open title with yet another first place. She also picked up an Agility Excellent A Jumpers leg, and a fan club in Fairbanks. Then on Sunday, Gina got her 2nd Excellent A Standard leg with a 1st place. And she got her first Excellent A Jumpers again with a first place. And the fan club is bigger. A couple of the competitors came up and told me their husbands really enjoyed watching her run. What is it with guys and Poms? When Bill called the other day, he asked about Gina first and just grinned through the phone. I could hear him. We're off to Soldatna (south of Anch) for 3 trials next weekend. Gina is NOW Rise N Shine's Black Coffee OA AXJ. She also has one Excellent Standard leg."

TITLES, WE GOT TITLES!

Mom took a poll on the Active Pomeranian list, using the question, "How important is it to you that the Pomeranian Review lists the Obedience/Rally/Agility titles?" The choices were "Important - I like to see what everyone is doing." [This took 73.33% of the vote.] "Very important - that's why I subscribe." [26.67% chose this one.] The remainder, "It's OK - I look to see myself and my friends there"; "Not very important - I wouldn't miss it much if it were not there"; and "Not at all important - I never look at it" took 0% of the votes. So I guess Mom will continue to list the titles. This month she is falling down on her job, though. That's partly because she fell down on her job. She was training Tiffany and tripped on a mat. The first doctor thought her wrist wasn't broken, but another doctor went and put a cast on it, and that's one reason I'm writin' this for her. I don't know nothin' 'bout Agility, except that those silly dogs run around and around, and they even BARK! So, Mom says she will catch up on Agility next time.

AKC OBEDIENCE AND AGILITY

Companion Dog:

CH Paughprint Endless Tradition CD, 15-May-05, Paulette Zecca

Teddy CD, 22-May-05, Karen Jones, ILP

Companion Dog Excellent:

Second Chance Oliver Twist CDX RA, 21-May-05, Barbara McClatchey, ILP

Rally Novice:

Banshee's Mickey Mike CDX RN, 27-May-05, Dorothy O'Donnell, ILP

Bug Bear's Piper The Polar Princess CD RN, 27-May-05, Diedre Schloyer

Morgen's Squirrel N Merlin CDX RN OA OAJ, 1-May-05, Judi & John Rought, & Elizabeth Baugh

Sunglo N Showcase Gangsta Style RN, 27-May-05, Diedre Schloyer

Viscount Charley Pomeroy RN, 7-May-05, Linda Miles, ILP

Rally Excellent:

Music To My Eyes CD RE, 8-May-05, Marcia Messina

Rhett Butler CDX RE, 30-May-05, Dell Brown

MY FIRST POM



Tim and Sue Goddard

We purchased our first Pom in 1961 from a multiple breed lady who was getting rid of the Poms because they were not profitable?? As it happened he did have a good pedigree with Van Hoozer lines and was probably nice enough to have been shown had we chosen to do so. We sold a small chest of drawers to get the \$50 purchase price! We named him Tip Top Tiny Toy Tiger (I was in to alliteration). He is pictured with our first (of three) daughters when she was just about 3 years old, Zarena, in Colorado. Thank you for this opportunity to delve back into the beginning.

Tim and Sue Goddard


*Dogs now eligible for the APC Hall of Fame, a Historical Award.

+Dogs now eligible for the APC Gold Club, a Historical Award.

To read about the requirements for these Historical Awards and how to submit your dog, go to www.americanpomeranianclub.org.

American Pomeranian Club members are listed in **bold print**; ILP dogs are usually Rescues. Only APC members (for at least one year) are eligible for Annual Awards (Top Obedience Pom, Top Agility Pom, etc.), and the relevant information must be submitted by the APC member. All Poms are eligible for the Historical Awards.

Congratulations to all who train, show, and title their Poms in Obedience and Agility!

Don't forget to send your own "News and Views" to Barbara McClatchey, 57 Poplar Court, Lake Jackson, TX 77566. Or call me at 979-297-7383. Or e-mail me— Rescue@secondchancepoms.org 

THE POMERANIAN CLUB OF GREATER HOUSTON SPECIALTY 7/21/05



Written by Connie Zieba
Photographer John David Zieba

The Pomeranian Club of Greater Houston held its annual Specialty on July 21st, 2005 in Houston, Texas. The Specialty was part of the four-day Reliant Park World Series of Dog Shows (formerly the AstroWorld Series of Dog Shows). This is a HUGE show sponsored by IAMS and televised by Animal Planet. Just about every indoor dog activity imaginable, such as agility, flyball, obedience, and much more, is included. The shopping alone includes hundreds of vendors, taking hours to walk all the way through.

Our Specialty drew 26 entries, providing a five-point major in bitches. We began the day with Sweepstakes, judged by Ms. Sherry Dollar from Dallas, Texas. Sue Goddard took home the big award of Best in Sweeps with her handsome boy, Tim Sue's Small Talk (Talker). Best of Opposite Sex to Best in Sweepstakes was awarded to Sofine's Legally Blonde shown by Valerie Humbird. Owner / Breeder Mary Latimer proudly watched her pretty girl from the sidelines.

Our Regular Class Judge was Mr. Rodney R. Merry from Houston, Texas. Mr. Merry had several excellent partis and blacks to look over as well as many lovely creams and oranges. The quality of Pomeranians exhibited was first-class.

We were honored with the presence of several out-of-state exhibitors including Cristy and Jessica Christiansen from Utah. Jessica lead an adorable black bitch into the ring she calls "Blondie". Karen Chisam came all the way from Missouri with her beautiful Poms.

This year our club, through the generosity of Virginia Watkins, added a new trophy for Best in Bred-by-Exhibitor Classes. Mrs. Watkins believes deeply in the necessity for a strong Bred-By-Exhibitor participation. Virginia was present to act as Ring Steward and to present her lovely Waterford candleholder to the winner, Tim Sue's Small Talk.

To honor the outstanding Specials present in the Best of Breed competition, each BOB entry was given a miniature picture frame customized with the club logo. Thanks to our wonderful supporters, we were able to award many fine trophies including clocks, clock & pen sets, 8 X 10 frames, keepsake boxes, and crystal ornaments, each customized specifically for our club.

Our gorgeous Veteran Bitch, CH Golden Wheat's Smiling Lights (Bliss), was a crowd favorite. Twelve-year-old Bliss has produced several champions. Two of her grandchildren were also present competing in Bred-By (Prized Happy To Walk 'N Tradition) and Open Dogs (Prized A Promise To Tim Sue).

Winners Dog and Best of Winners was awarded to Finch's Awesome Wave Parti (Surfer) shown by Karen Chisam. These well-earned points allowed Surfer to finish and move up as a special. Surfer was one of two exquisite partis, bred by Diane Finch and owned by Charlotte Myer, present at our Specialty.

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Kouteries Pia Of Chipawas (Pia) handled and owned by Renate Richter, bred by Mark Ward, earned Winners Bitch and Best of Opp. Sex to Best of Breed. Pia went on to have a great weekend at Reliant.

CH Sugar Rae's Pie In The Sky (Pie) was awarded Best Of Breed. Pie is a magnificent black 17-month-old dog handled by Kevin Orr. This was Pie's second BOB Specialty win. The first was in Oklahoma in May, where he also finished. Pie is a Travis great grandson out of Cole, bred by Angela Semansky and co-owned by Angela Semansky and Kevin Orr.

At the conclusion of the Pom Judging, a raffle was held in the club grooming space. Many of the donated items were handmade. A dog-themed wreath, Pom charm bracelet, pearl necklace, Pom embroidered towels, fancy dog beds, and a dog house complete with plush dogs, were just some of the great items donated by generous members and friends. We also heartily thank everyone who bought tickets!

An After-Show Dinner at a nearby restaurant followed the Specialty. Our Club President, John David Zieba, toasted the judges, winners, exhibitors, club members, visitors, and many fine Pomeranians presented that day.

We would like to thank the exhibitors who came to Houston for our Specialty, as well as everyone who helped with the show. Erika Moureau gave her assistance throughout. We hope all of you will be back next July and we look forward to seeing new faces as well!



Sweeps 6-9 Months Puppy Dog Class – TEXSTAR'S BADITUDE
Handler / Owner / Breeder Bonnie Acquard

Sweeps 9-12 Months Puppy Dog Class – TIM SUE'S SMALL TALK
Handler Sue Goddard, Owners / Breeders Sue & Tim Goddard

Sweeps 6-9 Months Puppy Bitch Class – JERIBETH MINI-VINI
Handler Darrell Baker, Owner / Breeder Olga Baker

Sweeps 6-9 Months Puppy Bitch Class – SOFINE'S LEGALLY BLONDE
Handler Valerie Humbird, Owner / Breeder Mary Latimer

BEST IN SWEEPSTAKES - TIM SUE'S SMALL TALK
Handler Sue Goddard, Owners / Breeders Sue & Tim Goddard

BEST OF OPP TO BEST IN SWEEPS – SOFINE'S LEGALLY BLONDE
Handler Valerie Humbird, Owner / Breeder Mary Latimer

9-12 Months Puppy Dog Class - FINCH'S AWESOME WAVE PARTI
Handler Karen Chisam, Owner Charlotte Myer, Breeder Diane Finch

12-18 Months Dog Class – FINCH'S SPLISH SPLASH PARTI
Handler Carolyn Crockett, Owner Charlotte Myer, Breeder Diane Finch

Bred-By-Exhibitor Dog Class – TIM SUE'S SMALL TALK
Handler Sue Goddard, Owners / Breeders Sue & Tim Goddard

Open Dog Class – TIM SUE'S FLYING HIGH
Handler Bob Kennedy, Owner Patrick Farmer, Breeders Sue, Tim Goddard

WINNERS DOG – FINCH'S AWESOME WAVE PARTI
Handler Karen Chisam, Owner Charlotte Myer, Breeder Diane Finch

RESERVE WINNERS DOG – TIM SUE'S SMALL TALK
Handler Sue Goddard, Owners / Breeders Sue & Tim Goddard

6-9 Months Puppy Bitch Class – JERIBETH MINI-VINI
Handler Darrell Baker, Owner / Breeder Olga Baker

9-12 Months Puppy Bitch Class - SOFINE'S LEGALLY BLONDE
Handler Valerie Humbird, Owner / Breeder Mary Latimer

12-18 Months Bitch Class – HOMESTEAD'S HEAVEN SENT
Handler Carolyn Crockett, Owners Dale Martenson & Virginia Watkins,
Breeder Faralyn Tucket

Bred-By-Exhibitor Bitch Class – PRIZED HAPPY TO WALK 'N
TRADITION

Handler Carolyn Crockett, Owners / Breeders Carolyn Crockett & Mona
DeLancy

Open Bitch Class - KOUTERIES PIA OF CHIPAWAS
Handler / Owner Renate Richter, Breeder Mark Ward

WINNERS BITCH – KOUTERIES PIA OF CHIPAWAS
Handler / Owner Renate Richter, Breeder Mark Ward

RESERVE WINNERS BITCH – SOFINE'S LEGALLY BLONDE
Handler Valerie Humbird, Owner / Breeder Mary Latimer

Veteran Bitch Class – CH GOLDEN WHEAT'S SMILING LIGHTS
Handler Carolyn Crockett, Owners / Breeders Carolyn Crockett & Mona
DeLancy

BEST OF BREED – CH SUGAR RAE'S PIE IN THE SKY
Handler Kevin Orr, Owners Angela Semansky & Kevin Orr, Breeder
Angela Semansky

BEST OF WINNERS - FINCH'S AWESOME WAVE PARTI
Handler Karen Chisam, Owner Charlotte Myer, Breeder Diane Finch

BEST OF OPPOSITE SEX TO BEST OF BREED –
KOUTERIES PIA OF CHIPAWAS
Handler / Owner Renate Richter, Breeder Mark Ward

Best In Bred-By-Exhibitor Classes - TIM SUE'S SMALL TALK
Handler Sue Goddard, Owners / Breeders Sue & Tim Goddard 🐾



City of Angels Pomeranian Club
Thirteenth Annual Specialty Show and Sweepstakes
Pomona, California
Thursday, May 26, 2005



A big thanks to all the participants in our annual specialty show. We had 10 sweepstakes entries and 47 entries in conformation. A continental breakfast and buffet luncheon was provided by the club. We had many generous vendor donations to our raffle this year, which helped provide funding for the event. This show could not have taken place without the combined efforts of all our club members. Everyone pitched in and helped as needed. What a great group! To our show chairman Leesa Molina, our show secretary Marcie Dobkin, and our ring steward Lani McKennon, we offer our heartfelt gratitude.

Our sweepstakes judge, Mr. John D. Boughton, selected the 6-9 month puppy bitch Lana's California Dreamin' as his Best in Sweepstakes winner. She was breeder-owner handled by Lana Price. Best Puppy Dog went to DJ's Chance Affair. Chance was also breeder-owner handled by Donna Johnson (co-owner Elizabeth Molina). Mr. Boughton felt that most of the exhibits demonstrated excellent Pomeranian type. He also noted that most had good movement and nice scissors bites.

Our conformation judge, Mrs. Margaret Young-Renihan, made her decisions after careful consideration. Best of Breed was awarded to Ch. Valcopy Batboy, bred by Dana Plonkey, and owned by Ron and Marilyn Smith and Janice and Melvin Pardue. Batboy is handled by Curtiss Smith. Best of Opposite Sex went to Ch. Kalasic's Out of the Ashes, owner-handled by Gloria Carlin, and bred by John and Pauline McFarland and Julie Kallbacka, (co-owner Julie Kallbacka). Best of Winners, for a 5 point major, went to the 6-9 month puppy dog, Starlight's Simon Says, handled by Deena Simon, breeders/owners Ron and Marilyn Smith and Derrik and Deronda Sharp. Winners Bitch, for a 3 point major, went to Lana's California Dreamin', breeder-owner handled by Lana Price. Reserve Winners Dog went to Jan-Shars Sponge Bob Square Pants, breeder/owner Sharon Hansen, handled by Tish Cannon. Reserve Winners bitch was Butterfly of Love of Lenette, breeder/owner Ken Griffith and handler Al Lapuz.

Mrs. Renihan felt that, in general, the exhibits demonstrated nice balance and condition. She wishes to commend the breeders. She liked the type that she saw. The dogs had nice movement, with good balance between front and rear assemblies. She felt this was a strong competition. Coats were in good condition. Expression was there. Size was good, with no leggy or tall dogs. Bites were satisfactory, a few could have been better. Overall, she was impressed with the nice type and balance that she saw. She would have enjoyed seeing a nicer presentation of some dogs on the table, with proper leg placement so that the dog could be seen by the judge in its optimum position to evaluate type and balance.



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Class placements were as follows:

Puppy Dogs (6-9 months)

- 1-Starlight's Simon Says (Breeders/Owners Ron and Marilyn Smith and Derrick and Deronda Sharp)
- 2-Penrod's Dream of Victory (Breeder/Owner Linda Penrod)
- 3-J-Da's National Treasure ((Breeder/Owner Jessica Solis)

Puppy Dog s (9-12 months)

- 1-Aljen's Final Fantasy of Lenette (Breeder Ken Griffith, Owners Al and Jen Lapuz)
- 2-Kayra's White Hot Diamond (Breeders/Owners Kay L. Chaney and Reed Adams, Co-Owner Elizabeth Molina)

Bred by Exhibitor Dogs

- 1-Showcase Boys Will Be Boys (Breeders/Owners Alane Levinsohn and Curtiss Smith)
- 2-Lana's Can Ya Guess My Name (Breeder/Owner Lana Price)
- 3-Sunglo's Just Lookin' For Trouble (Breeders/Owners Dan and Tammee Felix)

Open Dogs (Red Orange Cream and Sable)

- 1-Jan-Shar's Sponge Bob Square Pants (Breeder/Owner Sharon Hansen)
- 2-Hertig's Look at Me I'm Eddie (Breeder Arlene Hertig, Owner Jacklin Mathews)
- 3-DJ's Chance Affair (Breeder/Owner Donna Johnson, Co-Owner Elizabeth Molina)
- 4-Pominique That's All Folks (Breeders/Owners Mike and Cande Gordon)

Open Dogs (Any Other Color, Pattern or Variety)

- 1-Finch's Sonic the Hedgehog (Breeder Diane Finch, Owners Carol and Scotty Moore)
- 2-Aljen's Fashionably Gorgeous (Breeder Alfredo Lapuz, Owner Robin Clemans)

WD/BOW-Starlight's Simon Says

RWD-Jan-Shar's Sponge Bob Square Pants

Puppy Bitches (6-9 months)

- 1 - Lana's California Dreamin' (Breeder/Owner Lana Price)
- 2 - Penrod's Cleopatra (Breeder Linda Penrod, owner Carole and Scotty Moore)

Puppy Bitches (9-12 months)

- 1-Sunterra Sweet Pea (Breeder/Owner Douglas Stratton)
- 2-Jan-Shar's Brigitte Jones (Breeder Sharon Hanson, Owner Jacklin Mathews)
- 3-Moss Meadows Precious Loki (Breeder Gina Moss, Owner Michelle Wilhoite)
- 4-Mathew's Queen of Hearts (Breeder Jacklin Mathews, Owner Billie Patterson)

Bred By Exhibitor Bitches

- 1-Sunglo's Sinnamon Sugar Plum (Breeders/Owners Dan and Tammee Felix)
- 2-Cameo's Enchanting Angelina (Breeder/Owner Karen Betz)
- 3-Bachman's My Dream Porsche (Breeder/Owner Cheri McDonald)



Open Bitches (Red Orange Cream or Sable)

- 1-Butterfly of Love of Lenette (Breeder/Owner Ken Griffith)
- 2-Mathew's A Lil Sassy Attitude (Breeder Gail Hansen, Owner Jacklin Mathews)

Open Bitch (Any Other Color, Pattern or Variety)

- 1-Heartbreaker's China Doll of Pombreden (Breeder Barbara Breden, Owner Arnold Rodriquez)

WB-Lana's California Dreamin'

RWB-Butterfly of Love of Lenette

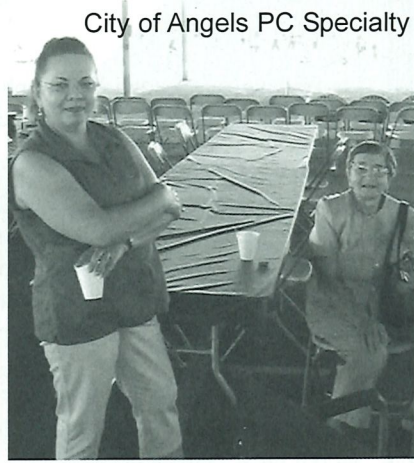
BEST OF BREED

Ch Valcopy Batboy (Breeder Dana Plonkey, owners Ron, Marilyn Smith and Janice, Melvin Pardue)

BEST OF OPPOSITE SEX

Ch Kalasic's Out of the Ashes (Breeders John, Pauline McFarlane and Julie Kallbacka, Owners, Gloria Carlin and Julie Kallbacka)

Report and Photos by Geneva Coats 



City of Angels PC Specialty



Take A Ride On The Wild Side

Brenda Segelken

OHIO POMERANIAN OLYMPICS

This year, at the APC Summer Specialty, Cindy Boulware was accompanied by her mother, daughter and granddaughter, Taylor.

On Friday, I proceeded to take photos of Pomeranians, Mr. Scott's judging, and ringside spectators for the Pomeranian Review.

Sitting ringside was Taylor, watching the judging patiently with her mother. On Taylor's lap was a small chalkboard. As Mr. Scott examined each Pom on the table, Taylor would write something quickly on the chalkboard. Taylor would repeat this procedure time after time, Pom after Pom. After watching Taylor a while longer, I finally realized what was taking place: Pomeranian Olympics.

As each Pom circled around the ring, Taylor would hold her chalkboard up for the facing spectators to see how she had scored that Pom. Much to my pleasure, Taylor scored most Poms a perfect 10!



Taylor's interest in judging and scoring system reflects a positive hope for a future generation of AKC Judges.

HORNS OR HALOS?

Isn't it strange? Even in the world of digital cameras, no matter how hard we work and plan to take the perfect photo, we can still come up with unexpected results.

Once a friend told me about an unusual dog show win photo that just did not turn out right. A shirtless male spectator, wearing shorts, was standing off in the distance directly between the judge and the handler. The table blocked the shorts. Now you can guess what the man looked like he WASN'T wearing in the finished photo. Needless to say, the photo was never published.

Here is a photo taken July 22, of Cindy Boulware at the APC Summer Specialty in Richfield, Ohio. We could not have planned the end results. What shall we name the photo? Horns or Halos?

BIG FOOT LOCATED

They never cease to amaze me, but Pom Specialties never pass without really unusual weird results happening somewhere, sometime, to someone. Please share your funny, unusual or downright embarrassing moments with us in the Wild Side.

Can't name names or places. Would not believe it had I not seen it, but somewhere in Ohio are the headless remains of "Big Foot". The remains are closely guarded by several Pomeranians. Now let your mind wonder. Is this location near a house with a huge master bathroom complete with trees and flying birds? The same bathroom where 12 APC members were conversing? I say no more. 🐾

The PR Survey Says



Thanks to the many Judges who responded!

I enjoy being informed about the breeds I judge and the parent club magazine is one of the best ways to be up to date with breed issues.

Carolyn Herbel

I enjoy your official voice of the American Pomeranian Club.

Loraine Boutwell

I enjoy keeping up with what the breeders are doing including the problems they are having. The articles on the breed are excellent and very educational.

Doris Cozart

I enjoy the Pomeranian Review!

Dr. John C. Shelton

I enjoy reading the Pomeranian Review and appreciate receiving it!

Joan C. Scholz

The Pomeranian Review contains lots of info and I enjoy the pictures.

Tomas and Alane L. Gomez

I always enjoy the magazine!!!!

J. Robert Jacobsen

I enjoy the magazine very much.

Helen Lee James

I do enjoy the Pomeranian Review.

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I enjoy receiving your magazine about your wonderful breed.

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I like seeing a breed club do such a well-done publication.

Janet Allen Jacobsen

Thank you for your generosity in making the Pomeranian Review available to those of us who judge your breed.

Sally Vilas

I enjoy reading articles in various breed magazines. I think as judges, we need to keep abreast of things concerning breeders/exhibitors.

Lois White

I enjoy your magazine and thank you very much for making it available free of charge to licensed judges.

Lloyd Graser, Jr.

I enjoy the Pomeranian Review thoroughly.

Bonnie Linnell Clarke

I enjoy getting it. I am a Pom person in a Yorkie person's body.

Carl

I enjoy.

Bob Moore

The Pomeranian Review is a fine publication and I look forward to reading each new issue.

Leonard Reppond

I like the Pomeranian Review very much. This is my original breed and I care about it very much.

Daniel Augustus

I enjoy your magazine.... Poms are very special to me as I handled a lot of them in years past.

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Thank you for the opportunity to read and learn more about your wonderful breed.

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I do enjoy getting your magazine.

Mildred Bryant

I enjoy the Pomeranian Review!!

William Bergum

Love the magazine!

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The articles are excellent and I continue to learn about Poms.

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We enjoy the Pomeranian Review and look forward to receiving it.

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I enjoy the magazine. Thanks.

Jeff Bazell

Pleasure to read.

Bob Caviness

Sunshine and Roses

We are sending our sympathy to judge Al Treen's family on his passing. Al would have been 97 in August.

Our sympathies go out to Deb Procaccini of Proc's Poms on her Dads passing.

Carla Timmins of Kirkfeld Kennels from Australia has passed on. Carla had many friends in the states. Our sympathies go out to her family at this time.

Long time Pom breeder/handler Gloria Setmeyer from New Jersey passed away in June. Our condolences go out to family and friends on their loss.

Eleanor Miller of Millamor Poms broke her hip in June. Continue to prayer for healing.

Beverley Carter of Damascusroad Poms in Canada broke a rib. We are wishing her a speedy recovery.

Congratulations and well wishes to Debbie Barrett of Del-May Poms on her move to Michigan and her new job.

Congratulations to the recent Best In Show winners, and to all who have finished Champions. Also, congratulations to the APC Summer Specialty winners!

Well-known AKC Judge, Dr. Esprite passed away in July. Our condolences to the family.

Best wishes to Joan Behrend for good test results.

Bruce Harris, husband of APC Member Bonnie Harris, underwent heart catherization in July.

Condolences to Linda Herrmann on her mothers passing.

Darlys Flaata of Damata Kennels and Showtime kennels fell and shattered her hip, we are sending prayers and well wishes for a speedy recovery.

Wendy Chambers had a hip replacement in August 4, 2005. Best wishes for a speedy continued recovery.

We are saddened to hear Colleen Beland's son, Jack, age 28 passed away July 15, 2005. Our continued prayers are with Colleen and family.

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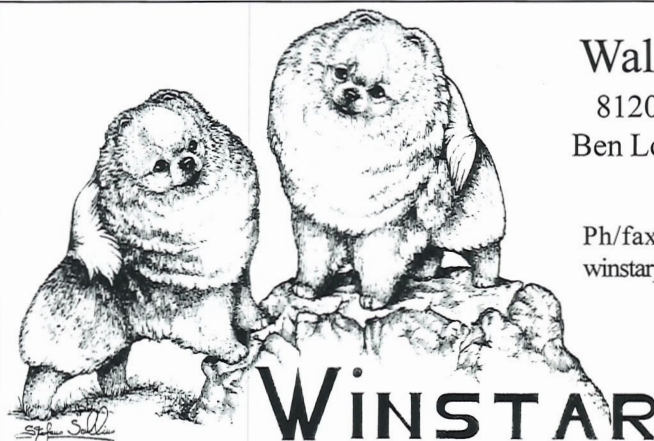
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Ch. Julia's Music Man of Lenette



Music Man finished under Ms. Charlotte Clem McGowan.

Thanks to Ken Griffith, Lenette Doms, for this lovely male. Big thank you to handler, Jane Lehtinen for finishing Music Man under one year of age.

**Congratulations to Linda DeCicco on her Kennel Visit.
Condolences to Gloria Setmayer's family.**

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Ch. Raine's & Janesa's Time to Chat "Chatter" X
Ch. Janesa's Scarlett Lives On In Tara "Tara"

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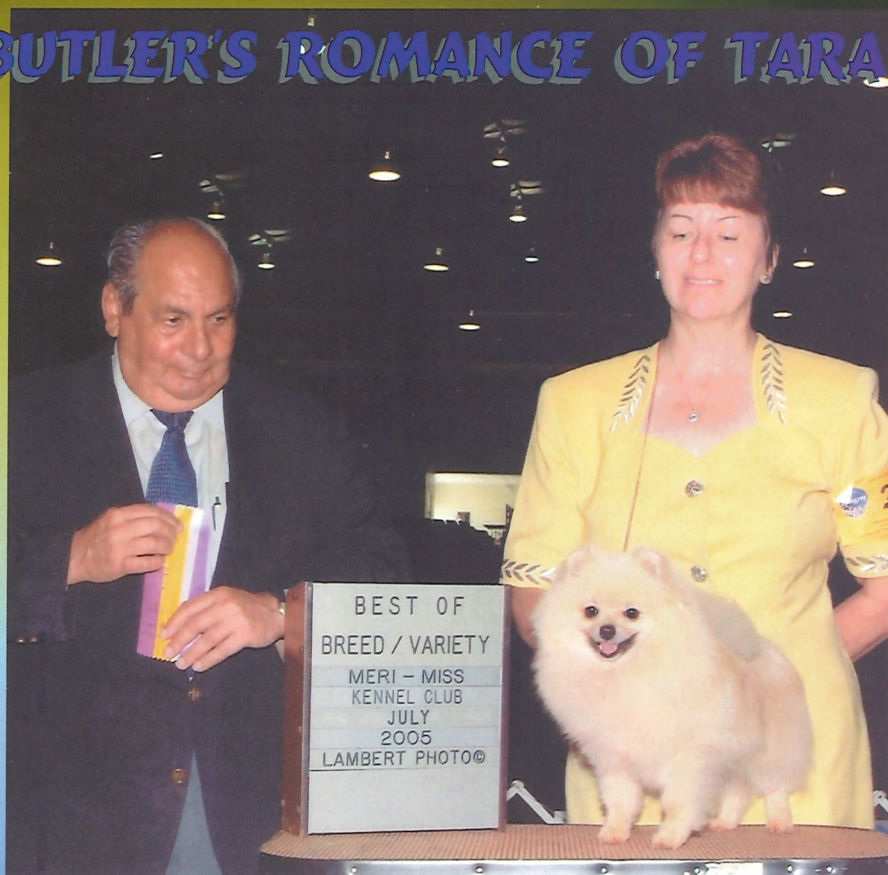
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TOBY EARNS BACK-TO-BACK BIS WINS

■ Tremendous thrill for rising star!

By Dana Coventry
DeJay Poms

CANTON, OHIO, June 11 and 12 – Toby and his owners will always cherish the memory of this sweltering June weekend at the McKinley Kennel Club. The sun was baking and the temperatures were broiling, but Ch. Firebrook's Tabasco Fiasco and his handler/owner Donna Machniak were cool, if not collected, when Judge R.E. Fetter walked toward them with the red, white and blue

rosette. "We are so humbled to win this honor from a noted Pom specialist." Toby was quoted as saying. "I am so happy that Mrs. Fetter appreciated my soundness and good looks. But don't print that! I don't want to sound stuck-up!" It was quite an outburst for the normally suave Toby. But if the handsome lad was deliriously happy on Saturday, he had another shock coming on Sunday!
Saturday's excitement had barely begun to sink in when Mrs. Sondra Esporite walked toward Toby on Sunday carrying the rosette. Toby forgot his debonair image entirely as he gushed thanks to Mrs. Esporite

while licking her face. "This is a dream come true!", he told her between kisses. "I want to thank my owners and supporters for all their good wishes. I hope I can keep making everyone as happy as they make me!" When questioned, Toby hinted that he might be considered a teeny little bit pampered. "I understand that some dogs don't get to sleep in bed. But that's were I get my best beauty sleep!" He seemed to remember himself, then, and ended the interview on a serious note. "I'd like to wish everyone peace, happiness and good health. And best wishes for whatever you want most!" With that he trotted off to the cameras.



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