

AND ...OH, WHAT A DANCE THIS IS! THREE MAJOR WINS:

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Thank You Judge Mrs. Florise Hogan for this BOB win!

Kory finished his American Championship with 3-4 point majors and a five point major

Finished his Canadian Championship in 4 shows with 3 group placements and a BISS at the Ontario Pomeranian Club.

Thanks to the superb handling by Ann Berryman.

Kory is the third BBE Champion from Mountain Crest to qualify for this year's AKC/Eukanuba Showcase.

Special congratulations to Patricia Rowley and Muriel Menard on your kennel visits.

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Donna Majewski

Desi was bred by me with a purpose in mind. It was to make a special friend's dream come true. Her dream was to have a "Colt" son that would make heads turn and catch the Judge's attention. He has more than fulfilled that dream. Desi is owned, shown and loved by Donna Majewski of Donmar. Desi finished at 8 1/2 mths old taking several BCB's over specials. He's only been specialed a few times since finishing. He has taken BCB three times with placing in the group ring 2 times.

Congrats to Muriel Menard and Trish Rowley on the kennel visits.

Donna Majewski of Donmar Handler/owner Linda Decicco
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"Ch Aphrodites Jiger fily"

fily was a little surprise as far as how quickly she finished. She started off slow then all of a sudded in 4 consecutative shows finished with WB/BCW/BCB under Ms. Patricia A. Larrissey for a 5 point major, Judge Ms. Sandra M. Lex WB/ BCW for another 5 point major and concluded the weekend going WB/BCW under Judge Fdd Bivin and last WB under Judge Mrs. Anne 8. Katona. Lily was expertly handeled by Donna Machniak. I can't thank her enough for not only doing a great job but for the wonderful care she took of my little girl. Lily was with Donna just 7 weeks. fily is the 4th Champion produced by Aphrodites Austin this year. I'm pretty proud of Austin. He'll be 12 years old on January 2, 2006.

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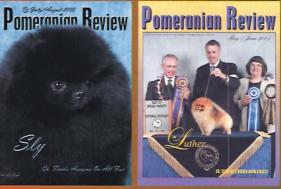
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Ozzie In Mexico Am/Can/Mex/FCI Intl CH Showcase Hot Topic

(BISS CH Mountain Crest JJ x CH Showcase Charmed I'm Sure)

Special thanks to Michelle Paulin-Brown for taking Ozzie to Mexico. Under Michelle's guidance, Ozzie went Best of Breed and had Group placements in the Primitive/Spitz Group each day and finished his Mexican and FCI International Championships!

Congratulations to Muriel Menard and Trish Rowley on their APC Pom Review Kennel Visits!

Condolences to the family and friends of Nina Epps. Her dedication and contribution to the Pomeranian breed was legendary

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BISS Ch. Finch's See Me Comin' "Bart"

and a big <u>THANK YOU</u> to Kathy Novem



Bart is the first black Parker son to finish and is out of a Travis half sister, Finch's Dancing In The Dark.

With his outstanding movement, you can definitely <u>see him comin'</u>! Bart finished with a HUGE bang going BOB at the Pomeranian Club Of Central Indiana Specialty show, from the classes, under very stiff competition! Many thanks to the judges who are willing to reward quality in *any* color: Judge Peggy Hogg, Judge Roger Hartinger, Breeder Judge Janice Earl, Judge Ekart Sangkunakup, Judge Ken Falconi, Breeder Judge Dana Plonkey, Judge Michelle Billings, and BISS Judge Tim Catterson. (Thank you Janet Wodrich.)

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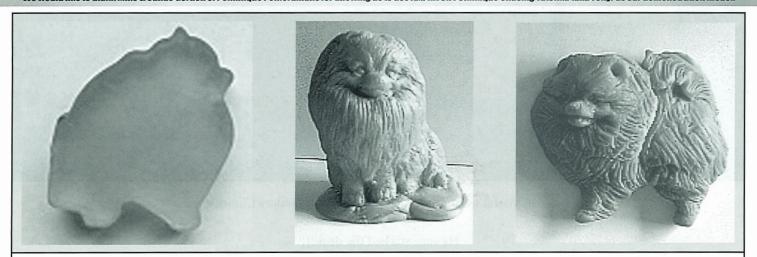
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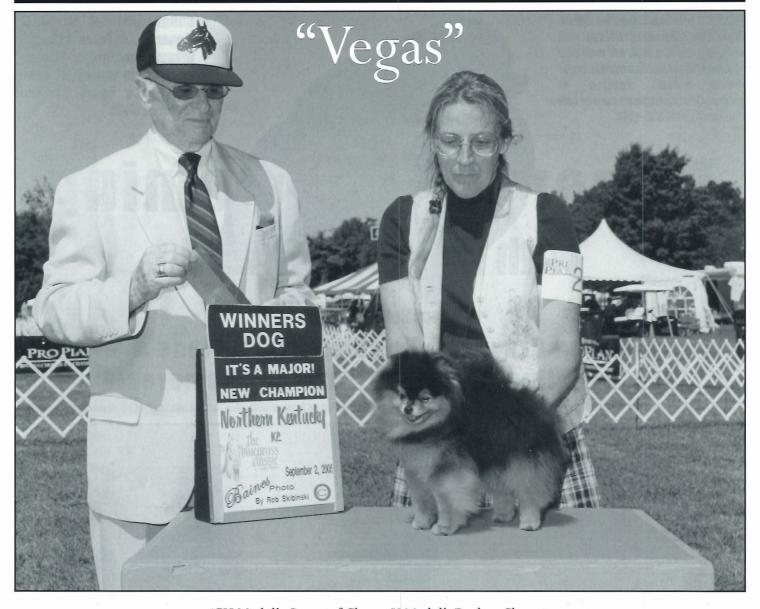
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Am/Int CHAMPION Marbil's Down And Dirty



(CH Marbil's Games of Chance X Marbil's Dealers Choice)

He sure stacked the deck!!!

Vegas finished with three majors. He has a mind of his own and was always a challenge to show, but he did it in style. Judges commented on his stunning rust markings and his incredible movement. Thank you to the judges that recognized his quality and big thank yous to the judges that gave Vegas his majors: Mr. Michael Canalizo, Ms Sally Vilas, and Dr. Lee Anthony Reasin (pictured).

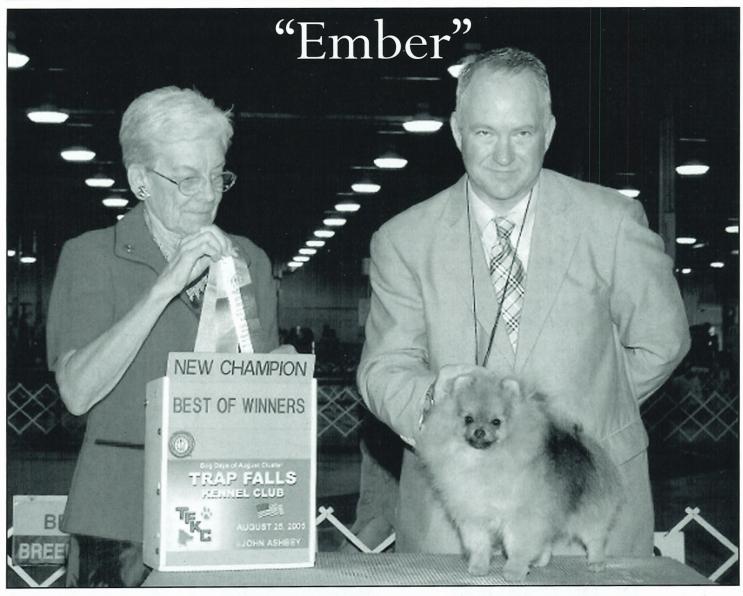
Congratulations to Trish Rowley on her kennel visit. Condolences to friends of Nina Epps.





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CH. Marbil's Games Of Chance x Mtn. Views Winter Hope

Thank you to Judges

4 points Timothy Robbins Robert Stein 4 points Edward MArtin 3 points Arlene A. Czech 3 points Edmond Sledik BOB

Ember finished with 4 majors, and 1 BOB, and 4 point major and 1 point from the BBE Classes. Our heartfelt thanks to Mari Iffland of Marbil Pomeranians for the use of "Fire" to produce this wonderful boy. Thank you to David Fitzpatrick for his wonderful presentation of Ember to a finish. Ember will be specialed in the future on a limited basis. Congratulations to Muriel Menard and Patricia Rowley

on the their deserved Kennel Visits.

We have very special thoughts and memories of Nina Epps. I remember clearly, the kind words and advice she gave when we were new to the breed years ago.

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HANDLER David Fitzpatrick

BISS CH LaRajus Palisades Van Gogh "Vinnie"



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Thank you Mr. David Krough for appreciating Vinnie's soundness, movement and type. Vinnie is at stud to approved bitches.

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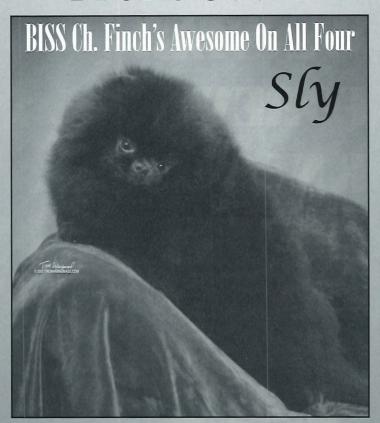
Winstar wishes everyone a Happy Holiday Season and sends our prayers to everyone for a safe New Year!

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Sly was only shown one weekend during the first quarter of 2005. He began his specials career in earnest beginning in April. Over the next six months, Sly was owner handled to number 13 (AKC Top Dogs Report) with multiple group placements and achieved a BISS as the winner of the APC National Summer Specialty!

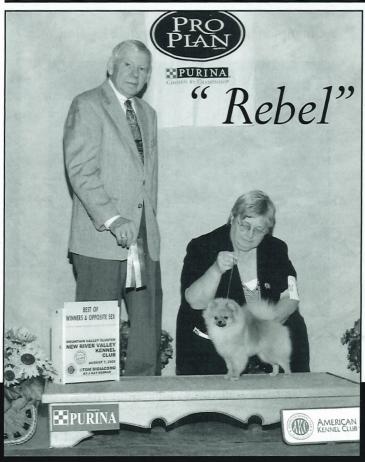
We are pleased to announce that Sly will continue his winning ways under the expert hand of Nina Fetter.

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MTN. VIEWS LIVE WIRE

Firebrook's Shenanigans x Mtn. Views Winter Hope

Thank you Judge Ken Miller.

Rebel's first show as a 6 1/2 month old, she went WB, BOW, BOS over a Special for her first 2 points from the BBE class.

Rebel will be handled by David Fitzpatrick in the near future.

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Rivendell Applauds Janesa 'Baxter''

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We are very saddened with the loss of our dear friend Nina Epps. What a delight to be around her at the dog shows. She will be sorely missed. It won't be the same in Louisville with out Nina.

Congratulations to Julia Smith on finishing Ch. Julia's Music Man of Lenette and Sandra Girth on finishing Ch. Gone With The Wind of Lenette. These are champions #8 and #9 for 2005.

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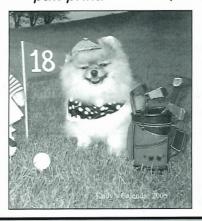
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Marge Kranzfelder

The holiday time is fast upon us. It is always a time for reflection. This year's APC's course of action was not what I had anticipated. But I'm sure the people surviving the devastation of Katrina and Rita are saying the same thing about their life, only magnified many times over. I will address what the APC and PCT can and cannot do to assist in this or similar national disaster.

First, let me welcome Becky Sabourin as our new APC Rescue Coordinator. Yes, the APC Board voted her to take on this chair the week preceding Katrina. Yes, any fresh recruit, with any sense, would wonder if the coincidence of this has a deeper meaning. The initial flood (my apology for the poor pun) of information and misinformation was astonishing. I tried to assure Becky just having someone to gather and access all this information was an important function of this chair.

Our initial effort was to try to check that each of our APC members in the affected area and their Poms was all right. In order not to tie up needed communications, we resorted to the reliable dog network, often contacting friends of those affected. We were relieved every time we heard that one of you were OK. But that didn't mean we could assume anything about the ones we didn't hear about.

At the time I am writing this article, late September, no Poms have been released to any Pom Rescue. This might or might not change. So what can we do to help and what can't we? To those that have contacted me with this question, the early on answer was to make your individual donation to established non-profits whose purpose it is to help in such national tragedies. That means the Red Cross, AKC/CAR, Take the Lead, or other established organizations you are familiar with and trust to put your donation directly to work. Dollar for dollar this is the best help you can offer. APC was not structured to accept donations and pass them on to worthwhile causes. If we were to collect money for this cause and donate it, we would be taxed on it as income first. So your donated dollar loses much of its value. Some dog clubs, especially newer ones, are structured differently and therefore this scenario isn't their case.

What about the Pomeranian Charitable Trust? Maybe the PCT can help, but to keep its IRS approved 501(c) 3 tax-exempt status, all its money must go to Pomeranian welfare. So donating its funds to CAR/AKC, which is directed to help all breeds, would put this into jeopardy. And most of the funds that are already collected are designed by the donors toward research on the alopecia problem. If we were to change the use of these funds, the IRS would consider us to be no different from the bait and switch scams. It is possible however to now accept funds to be used for rescue... but rescue of Poms only. Is that the most immediate need right now? That remains to be seen.

There is good news. Due to your generosity, teamwork, and the Board's continuing conscientious effort this past year, APC funds are projected to more than cover expenses this year. As I write this, the Board is pondering what non-profit will use our donation to directly benefit a cause that is in line with our club's purpose. We can donate funds individually to whomever we choose. But as a club we have a responsibility to serve our By-laws, state incorporation codes, and federal tax law. This is a responsibility that your Board takes seriously. You wouldn't want it any other way.

It is the same grave responsibility that the PCT trustees feel to respect the intentions of the PCT donors and to direct those funds in such a way that maximizes their benefit. We are presently weighing how this year's allocations should be used.

From the President Continued

Yes, this time of reflection is fortunate to include remembrance and thankfulness. The Trustees thank Betsy Owens for honoring Nina Epps with a generous contribution to the PCT. And the APC Board is also grateful to the Central Arkansas Pomeranian Club for their generous donation in memory of our Ms. Nina. The 2006 National will be dedicated to her honor.

Plans are now well underway for this upcoming National. Creative juices have been flowing. I don't want to give away all the pleasant details that are planned, trust that some surprises are good. But let it be said that every time I hear about what one of the chairs has planned, I really look forward to this three-day event. Do plan to join the party.

Due to many factors this year, we have decided to postpone adding the Top Twenty event until the year 2006. This allows more time to study how other breeds hold similar events. We can use the "in person" meeting to better describe what this event is and to answer what questions you might have regarding it. Then competitors will have a whole year to plan their strategies.

Meanwhile, let your creative minds go to work. Brought back by popular demand (or lack of alternate source of humor), there will be a 2006 Pom Costume Contest.

Hopefully by the time you receive this Review issue, you will have had an opportunity to check out the new APC web site. It should be a convenient and reliable source of information for the public and APC members, novices through judges. It is a way to contact us, purchase items, and eventually even pay dues and make donations.

May the New Year be filled with nothing but peace, safety, and recovery.

APC MEMBERSHIP DUES NOTICE

Dear APC Members,

Please remit your dues as soon as possible as we would like to have all the CORRECTIONS for the 2006 Roster. Dues paid after January 1st are subject to a \$15.00 late charge and names may not be printed in the roster. AFTER JANUARY 31, UNPAID MEMBERS WILL HAVE TO RE-APPLY. (MOTION 02-03-10). Membership is effective from Jan. 1, to Dec. 31.

RATES PER YEAR ARE AS FOLLOWS:	USA	FOREIGN
SINGLE MEMBERSHIP	\$25.00	\$30.00*
JUNIOR MEMBERSHIP	\$10.00	n/a
HOUSEHOLD MEMBERSHIP	\$40.00	\$45.00
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Our question for this issue is: What can I do about giardia?

Like coccidia (see article in previous issue), giardia are parasitic protozoans (single celled organisms) found in the intestinal tract of many animals, including dogs. Clinical signs may include greasy looking stools, weight loss, vomiting, and loss of appetite. It is also possible for giardia to present in animals showing no clinical signs. Repeated fecal examinations may be necessary to identify the presence of the parasite.

Canine Giardia may be contagious to humans. After handling an infected dog, it is very important to wash hands with anti-bacterial soap or use a hand sanitizer after washing. If clinical signs develop in a family member, consult a physician right away. Clean all fecal matter promptly and disinfect all kennel surfaces, bedding, and toys daily.

The majority of giardia cases respond well to Flagyl (Metronidazole) or Panacur (Fenbendazole) as prescribed by your veterinarian. 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. Echinacea, probiotics, and pet supplements that contains Zinc and Vitamin C may be given during treatment to support the immune system in its fight against the infection.

Our question for the next issue is: I am having trouble potty training my Pom. What can I do?

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

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Previous "Ask Us Anything Columns" may be viewed on line: www.avalonpom.com//PomCare.htm

In memory of Mina Epps

5/30/1916—9/03/2005

Nina was a very special person and a friend to many.

She was a wonderful, earing person, and her whole life revolved around the Poms and her many friends in the Pom world.

She loved going to the dog shows, and even when she was very ill, she kept going as long as she was able.

Nina was a wealth of information about the long ago breeders and exhibitors.

She knew many of them personally. She had owned, bred and showed Poms for many years, and had produced many beautiful champion dogs during this time.

ther "heart" dog, BIS Am/Cn Ch Rock N Tradition of Oakridge, ROMX, AKA "Jake" probably was her most noted acheivement. After he obtained his American championship, a Best in Show, and a Canadian championship, he became famous for the many champions he sired. He was the APC top sire for several years, and sired many champions, producing quality get from any bitch who was bred to him.

Nina was a member of APC for many, many years, and had been a member of the Central Arkansas Pom Club for several years also. We think of her often and we miss her. Jake was waiting for her at the Rainbow bridge, and now they run and play together in fields of flowers.



Nina and Jake

With All Our Love to Nina,

From the members of the Central Arkansas Pomeranian Club

Nina Epps

May 30, 1916 - August 22, 2005

Nina Epps was indeed a pillar of the Pomeranian breed. She had a deep love and respect for all Poms and their owners, many who had become wonderful friends during her lifetime. Nina first got involved in Pomeranians in 1938 after she lost her Spitz. She was never without a Pom after that for her entire life. To her friends who have shared their memories of this wonderful lady, thank you.



I got to know Nina many years ago. I sent several bitches to Ch. Rock N Tradition of Oakridge for breeding. I was not a big fan of sending out females for breeding but Jake was such a producer I didn't feel I could pass him up. Jake produced many champions for me. Nina also loaned me Ch. Traditions Legend of Oakridge, one of my favorites. He also produced many champions here at Jan-Shar.

Nina and I hit it off from the start. We kept in touch through the phone and would meet up at all the Nationals. She was a wealth of knowledge and loved her Poms. She had a wonderful sense of humor, and would keep me laughing! I wish I could have spent more time with her. I think of her often and I miss her greatly. I know she is with Jake now, but I wish she could have stayed with us a little longer.

Sharon Hanson Jan-Shar

I remember the first time we met. It showed how her very gracious nature would make those she met feel good. She said, "You're Marge Kranzfelder, aren't you? I really enjoy your Health & Genetic articles every issue of the Pomeranian Review. I can't believe I get to actually meet you. That is what is so special about attending the Nationals". And here I was thinking how fortunate I was to get to meet her in person!

Since, I regret not having more time to spend with her at the Nationals. Her gracious presence ringside came to be one of the things we always looked forward to every year. Now she will be missed.

Marge Kranzfelder Forever Yours

Nina was a well-established breeder when I started in Poms in the early 70's but she

was kind enough to correspond with me when I started and we retained a friendship for almost thirty-five years. Many of the dogs behind our dogs were the same and we often talked about working together, but the distance was too great. To my surprise, Nina phoned one day to say that she was going to come up for a visit. Now this was probably fifteen years ago and I swear she had no idea how far Missouri was from Nova Scotia, but they made the trip in the motor home. I think it took four or five days. She arrived one afternoon for a quick visit and later that afternoon she was on her way again with Can. Am. Ch. Chriscendo Causin Comment (Jeffy). Jeffy went to live with Nina for a year.

Later, when Jake came along, we loved both the dog and his pedigree. He was a fabulous producer and I was determined to breed a bitch to him. When we finally sent a bitch to him, unfortunately for us, it was during the middle of the worst ice storm in 50 years, and affected traffic all down the East Coast. John tried to ship our girl from Halifax and it was impossible, so he got in the car and drove seven hours to Bangor, Maine and tried to ship her from there.

Unsuccessful, he drove a few more hours and tried Portland. He was exhausted from driving and phoned to say he had still had no luck, so he was coming home. I said, "Oh, it's only a few more hours to Boston, keep going". So he did. From that breeding we got a single female puppy and she became Can. Am. Ch. Chriscendo Cameo, one of our best producers.

Nina always loved to watch the children and grandchildren of her dogs in the ring. You could always count on her to tell you how many times Jake was in any dog's pedigree. She got amazing strength from the fact that her dogs would live on in the many champions they produced. It kept her going.

Nina cut down on breeding in later years but what a gift to have Jake as one of her last Poms.

He made such an impact on the breed and gave Nina so much joy. I can't think of a better tribute to them both to think that they are together once again.

Nina Epps, one of the great ladies in this breed, was a unique character and truly dedicated to the Pomeranian.

Chris Heartz

CHRISCENDO Pomeranians

Tremendously sad news! My head hangs at half-mast for Jake and Nina, and my heart is with them both. I am so sad that they are both gone, but happy that they are together once again.

Icons of such splendor are hard to beat and irreplaceable.

May they both sit peaceably at ringside in heaven, while we who are still here give great honor to the "Tradition" of the legacy left behind.

I wonder...what happens to us when the icons are gone? Who will step into their place? Who will we look to? Can anyone fill such shoes? An empty place has been left and I feel the void.

My dogs hung their ribbons at half-mast when Jake passed. Now they hang their tails. Shelly Martin

Poetry Poms

I met Nina Epps over thirty years ago through a mutual friend, Geneva Pennock Long. Geneva had used Jean Brown's Rocky (Ch. Dixieland's Rock of Millamor) heavily in her breeding program and Nina traveled to Indiana to acquire Poms.

Nina was always quick to answer the many questions this newcomer asked. She patiently helped me at the shows, showed me tips on grooming and was always encouraging. Cherished memories include our lunch at the Bass Pro Shop and Nina's home

cooked meal complete with a fresh baked cake. We both dearly loved our sweets! One of my fondest memories was at a dog show many years ago. Nina and Sally Sajonce (TN) were life-long Pom friends and colorful characters in Pomdom, dearly loved by everyone. When I first began showing Poms the standard did not allow trimming. These two fine ladies groomed their Poms beautifully and won frequently without heavy trimming. However, in time, I began to trim for neatness. The next time I saw Nina and Sally at a show, I heard this loud screech, "Oh NO! Now Brenda is trimming her Poms!" They fussed and fussed that I had strayed from the standard for years.

Nina's dearest love in this world was her "Jake". I believe her spark to live died when Jake passed earlier this year.

Nina never stopped thanking me for continuing the Pom Review by becoming the editor. Through the past four years I have received several handwritten notes of encouragement and thanks from Nina. She loved her Poms and her Pomeranian Review.

Thank you Nina for the memories. May you rest in His peace.

Brenda Segelken Fame Poms

At the big National Specialty in Louisville this year, little Nina was with friends. A bit feeble and a little frailer than we all remembered, but she was ringside smiling and watching closely. At some point, her friends took her out of the show area, one remarked, "When Nina wants to get something to EAT, we all know to GO, and pretty quickly! Nina doesn't like to get too hungry!" We thought that was kind of cute and considerate. Her friends will recall that. She was a lovely young lady and an enormous asset to the world of Pomeranians. She will be SO missed, but NEVER forgotten!

Darrell and Olga Baker Jeribeth Poms

I met Nina after moving to Missouri in 1989. One of the greatest things about her was her willingness to help new people in the breed. I had a Pom when I moved here but needed to start with something better. I found her name in a magazine and gave her a call. That was the beginning of our friendship. She sold me a puppy that won a three point major the first time I took her out. Later we co-owned a girl that was the mother of

my first champion. I didn't think Noel (the puppy) would amount to anything and I wanted to place her as a pet. Nina kept saying, "Don't give up on her yet." If it hadn't been for Nina, I could still be waiting for my first champion. As time went on, she helped more and more. Seems like all my girls were c-sectioned. Our vet was fifty miles away, but close to Nina. She would meet me there in the middle of the night, help rub and warm puppies and take them home so I could go to work the next day. She wanted to go to Hawaii and took me along to be her escort. What a wonderful time we had! Then I wanted to go to Ireland. Nina moved into my house for a couple of weeks to care for my critters. My first Pom died of old age in Nina's arms while we were gone.

Nina had no children, but she was my "Pommom". I always knew the dogs were first in her heart. People came second. One of the worst things about getting a Pom from Nina was teaching them to eat dog food. She always shared her food with them and they were spoiled rotten. Nina had some of her best days traveling to dog shows. She loved to travel and Jake gave her a good excuse to hit the road. Jake was the love of her life. She was so worried that he would outlive her.

I called Nina almost every day during the last year. Just today we had a huge storm and I had the thought to call her to see if she had much rain. I really miss her.

Nancy Smith

Legendary Poms

My dear friend Nina Epps passed away peacefully in her sleep on August 22, 2005 surrounded by her precious Poms. Nina will be sadly missed by everyone who knew her. Nina took me under her wing long ago and so began my obsession with Poms. I considered her my "Pom-mom" and had the privilege of learning so much from her, especially when we attended shows. Our daily conversations included Poms past, present and future. Her life was dedicated to the breed and she shared her knowledge freely. Though she told me many times there is no perfect Pom, Nina forged forward toward that goal nonetheless.

Nina you can never be replaced and will live on in the hearts of your loved ones. Linda and I loved you with all our hearts. You were kind, encouraging and tireless with your words of wisdom. You will be at every show I attend because your spirit will forever be with me. Where there are Poms, so will Nina be...smiling. Lloyd Franques

Llo-Lin Poms

We first met Nina in the 60's, the first of three times we lived in Texas. She saw a nursing litter we had at the time sired by Ch. Millamor's Fancy Gold Dancer. Subsequently she bought a male puppy who became the sire of many of her champions and was in the background of Jake. His name was Tim Sue's Dancing Pebble, now way back in the pedigrees. We had continued to keep in touch and had many occasions to visit and compare notes on our Poms. Nina was a fountain of knowledge and I later found that her first husband, Ray Dice and Nina had the Dicehaven kennel prefix that just happened to be in our first Pom's pedigree. Tim and Sue Goddard

TimSue Poms

My time with Nina was less than a lot of people in the Pom world, but something I will always cherish. We started traveling together in 1998. We would plan our trips so we would be south in the winter and closer to home in the summer.

Nina always bought a catalog at every show and would write comments about each dog. Not everyone was allowed to see this. It took me awhile. We didn't always agree on the dogs being shown. If there was a "Jake" kid in the ring, I knew Nina's loyalty wasn't with me. Jake was the light of her life.

Once in Oklahoma I was showing a male puppy for Nina. He had won the first day and went breed over my special. Another exhibitor came and asked me to trim her male. I did and this person won the next day. Nina never let me forget that.

Each November Nina would call and ask if I had hotel reservations for the APC National. I never did tell her I didn't do it until January. I had made a promise that as long as she was able we would go to the National.

Nina was diabetic but as long as she ate properly she didn't have any problems. I tried to watch her diet when we were at shows. She did really well except at the Nationals. She never waited for me to go to lunch with her. Instead she would find a table of people that she enjoyed and always had nothing but sweets on her plate. As soon as she saw me walk in the door she'd put her napkin over her plate.

Nina was a very strong woman and I admired her very much. My respect for her increased tremendously the day she told me



L to R: Jake, Ch. Rock N Tradition of Oakridge; Nina proudly displays the completed plate collection from her travels to all 50 US States; Nina receiving ribbon from Judge Brad Jenkins in 2004.



L to R: Pam West, MaryWells, Karen Jolley, Shirley Garrison, Diana Nolan/ Owens, Nina Epps and Lucy Nolan

that she had decided not to take treatment for this last cancer. I was told that she had lived 89 good years and she had had a wonderful life. Better than most people and that she had enjoyed what she had done with her life. Tears were sliding down my face as she was telling me this and she looked at me and said, "I don't want to see any more tears from you so just suck it up". I miss our daily calls but most of all I miss calling her on Sunday and telling her who had won that weekend. Betsy Owens

I was very blessed to have been a part of Nina and Jake's life. When I first met Nina, I didn't like dogs much. She knew that but became my friend in spite of it. Over the years my attitude toward dogs changed drastically and Nina had a lot to do with it. We moved up to Northwest Arkansas, approximately an hour drive to Nina's. Over the years, she adopted us as a part of her family. In the course of that time we were privileged to have Jake





Nina watches over Jake kids shown by Maria Kneisler, Karen Jolly, and Nancy Smith

as the sire of our Ch. Rocky, Ch. Bubblicious (Rocky's sister) and others who are very special to us.

I remember the first time she loved one of our dogs. That was one of the most exciting days of my life. At a dog show we brought Pixie who produced several Canadian and American champions. We had her in her crate and we were on the other side of the show ring area visiting and looking at the vendors. While we weren't looking, Nina got Miss Pixie out of her crate and held her in her lap. When we made the rounds to her, she wondered if we noticed. Needless to say, Pixie didn't return home with us. She was Nina's and Nina didn't let her out of her arms or sight the rest of the day.

When Nina found out her cancer had come back, she said she still had a few things that she had never gotten to do. One was to go to San Antonio to the Alamo, see the missions, river walk, etc. We lived in Dallas at that time. Nina flew to Dallas. She spent a few days at our home and we headed to San Antonio. We went to the





Nina's last show. Vonnie Beard and Nina Epps sit ringside 2005.

dog show. Afterwards we went on the boat ride, on the River Walk and ate Mexican food on the river. Bobby got sick and thought it was the restaurant. Nina, who was very observant, said it wasn't the restaurant at all, it was all the hot sauce and peppers Bobby consumed! She definitely had a sense of humor.

We spent the next day at the Alamo and then went to several missions soaking up the history. It was a special trip because Nina was there.

After her decision to go on Hospice, I spent a week with her. Her beloved Jake died during this time, which was very hard for her. He was such a big part of her life. I am comforted in the fact that she isn't suffering any more.

Bobby and Liz Pietzsch Peach's Poms

Thanks for the Memories! We will never forget you Nina!

Tríp to Alaska
Tríp to Hawaíí
Tríp to Hawaíí
Tríp to Texas
Sharing our grandchildren and great grandchildren
Walking on the beach in December
Going to the Nationals
Meeting at the vet for late-night c-sections
Talking on the phone for hours
Helping us get our first show dogs



we miss you, love you and you will always be in our hearts. Sleep tight until we see you again Nina.

Betsy Owens, Nancy Smith and Pat Barnett



A Tribute to Nina Epps

How can words ever express the deep feelings we felt for this wonderful lady. She was like a second mom. Her knowledge and love of Poms will be missed by all of us. My husband and I cared for Nina the last five months of her life and we were glad we could do this for such a grand lady so she wouldn't have to go to a nursing home (she didn't want to do). She never went a day that she didn't tell me she loved me and I should have been the daughter that she never had. We had so many of the same likes and dislikes.

The first thing she did every morning was make sure the dogs went outside and were fed special food. She thought they all needed chicken, rice or something before you ever made your coffee.

She had her favorite TV shows she watched every week. Her favorite would be a toss up between "Everybody Loves Raymond" and "Two and a Half Men". She would laugh so loud.

Nina had a lot of good dogs over the years. Her mom always raised Poms until she wasn't able to anymore. She always said her mother never lost a puppy in all the years she was raising Poms. I believe that Jake was her most loved companion for 15 years.

I will miss all the antique shopping, traveling, dog shows, and her visits to our home; but will miss her most of all for the daily talks, just being there for me and loving me.

Nina loved outside plants as well as inside plants. She wanted plants before she died and we planted them all around her front and backyards. She did get to enjoy them some until she was unable to go outside anymore.

Nina and I co-owned dogs for many years and raised puppies together.

I still have six that we co-owned. I can still feel her at the shows telling me good luck or telling me to make him behave in the ring.

Nina, we love you and will always miss you.

Barney and Pat Barnett

To our dear "Pom-mom" ...

Nina Epps



Nina was dedicated to the Pomeranian and shared knowledge freely.

Nina will live on in all our hearts, Linda and I loved her dearly,

Nina was kind, encouraging and tireless with her words of wisdom.

Where there are Poms, so will Nina be...smiling.

Lloyd and Linda Franques

Llo-Lin Poms

In Memory of

Nina Epps

Nina's memory lives on through Pomeranian history.

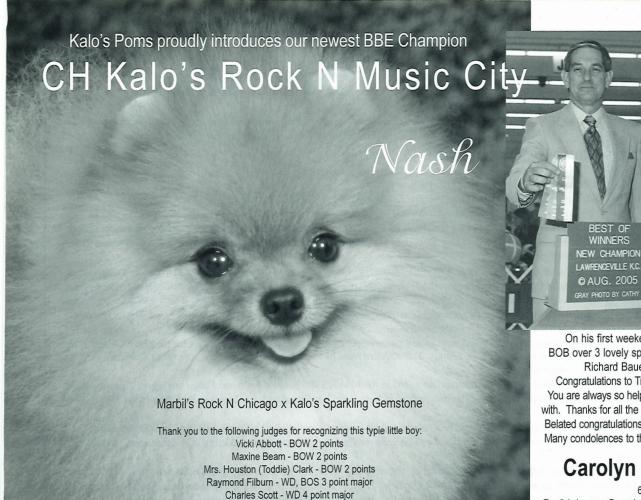


Thank you for creating Dicehaven, Julo and Tradition lines of Pomeranians.

Ch. Rock N Tradition of Oakridge, continues to engrave his mark on Pomeranian history.

Enjoy the well-deserved rest, dear friend.

David and Carlene Gilstrap



Thomas Daniels - BOW 2 points

On his first weekend out as a special he went BOB over 3 lovely specials. A big thank you to judge Richard Bauer for this wonderful win.

Congratulations to Trish Rowley on your kennel visit. You are always so helpful to everyone and a joy to show with. Thanks for all the grooming tips. I just love your Kelly! Belated congratulations to Linda DeCicco on your feature. Many condolences to the friends and family of Nina Epps.

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Champion Mi Babe Buff's Luna Rain Beau

Luna finished in 6 weekends with 3 majors and two Specialty wins. She is pictured winning a 4 pt major at the Sooner Pom Club Specialty. Thanks to Peggy Hoag, Raymond Bay, and Norman Patton for her majors. Thanks to Erika Moreau, Anne Rogers Clark and Rose Ann Erickson for the rest of her points. Luna was co-bred with Sue Cook, and is co-owned by Buff Webb.

Congratulations to Trish Rowley on your Kennel Visit. You have worked hard for several years now and have accomplished a lot. Keep up the good work! I'm wishing you much success in the future.

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THE STANDARD - PART ONE

His name was Dick. The year was 1888.

He was the first dog entered as a Pomeranian at an American Kennel Club show.

We don't know his size or his color. We don't know his sire or his dam. We don't even know his owner's name. He was the representative of the breed. Beyond that fact he is shrouded in the mists of time and does not seem to have made a mark on the breed. From 1892 until 1900 American Pomeranian exhibitors were allowed to compete in the Miscellaneous Class.

It was not until 1900 that those who were "fanciers" of the Pomeranian in America, managed to get their act together, agree on a set standard and become the "parent club". Getting a group of people together who own, breed or show dogs is a monumental task today and I'm confident that it was much the same prior to 1900. This could account for the differences in head types etc. that appear in different localities. They are the same things that befuddle new "fanciers" who want to find a "perfect" Pomeranian to show or for a companion. With those facts in mind, the American Kennel Club requires that each breed must have a group of people who have agreed on the basics for their breed. There is no

regard for longevity or popularity in other countries or even in this country. This standard must be in place before the breed is approved to compete in AKC shows. There must be a degree of unity in order to preserve our sanity.

ENTER THE STANDARD. The first published copy of the standard appeared in the June 3, 1905 issue of Field and Fancy magazine. The American Kennel Club has preserved a copy for us in the library housed on Madison Avenue in New York. It is shared with you here for your information. Not a great deal has changed in 100 years.

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.

HEAD – Somewhat foxy in outline, or wedge-shaped, the skull being slightly flat (although in the Toy varieties the skull may be rather rounder), 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 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.

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 round the eyes are preferable.

EARS – Should be small, and carried perfectly erect or pricked, like those of a fox, and like the head, should be covered with soft, short hair. No plucking or trimming is allowable.

NOSE – In black, black and tan, or white dogs, the nose should be black; in other colored Pomeranians it may more often be brown or liver-colored, but in all cases the nose must be self not parti-colored, and never white.

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, glossy hair, sweeping from the under jaw and covering the whole of the front part of the shoulders and chest as well as flowing on the top part of the shoulders. The shoulders must be tolerably clean and laid well back.

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. LEGS – The forelegs must be perfectly straight, of medium length, not such as would be termed either "leggy" or "low on leg", but in due proportion in length and strength to a well-balanced frame, and the forelegs and thighs must be well feathered, the feet small and compact in shape. No trimming allowable.

TAIL - The tail is a characteristic of the breed, and should be well twisted right up from the root tightly over the back, or lying flat on the back, slightly to either side, and profusely covered with long hair, spreading out and flowing over the back.

COAT - Properly speaking, there should be two coats, an under and overcoat. 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 round the neck and forepart of the shoulders and chest, where it should form a frill of long, flowing 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 of the tail must be, as previously described, profuse to the hocks. The hair on the tail must be, as previously described, profuse and flowing over the back.

COLOR – The following colors are admissible: white, black, blue, brown, black and tan, fawn, sable, red and parti-colors. The whites must be quite free from lemon or any color, and the blacks, blues, browns, black and tans, and reds free from white. A few white hairs in any of the self-colors shall not disqualify but are undesirable. "In parti-colored dogs, the colors should be evenly distributed on the body. 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, i.e., where whole colored and parti-colored Pomeranians compete together, the preference should, if in other points they are equal, be given to the whole colored specimens.

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 8 pounds (Toys); 2. Exceding 8 pounds. Where classification by color is made, the following should be adopted: 1. black; 2. white; 3. brown; 4. blue; 5. any other color.

SCALE OF POINTS

Appearance15_	Ears5	Body10	Coat20
Head10	Nose5_	Legs5	Color10
Eyes5	Neck & Shoulders5	Tail10	
		Total100	

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Pomeraciac Charitable Orust Quill Project

A T-shirt quilt (made from donated T-shirts) will be raffled off in Louisville at the 2006 APC Nationals.

We still need clean Pomeranian T-shirts (no stains, please). I will embroider the donor's name on the front or back of the quilt square that you donated. We can also make a quilt out of canvas bags, if we receive enough donations.

All proceeds go to the Pomeranian Charitable Trust to help find a cure for alopecia. Ticket information will be available soon. Please send in your shirts and canvas bags and I will have them assembled. If you would like to suggest colors for the quilt(s), please let me know. When the quilt is ready, a photo will be posted on the APC website.

I am currently embroidering the donor's name on the squares I have already received. A special thanks to Donna Riehm for sending 10 T-shirts! What a girl and what an effort! But we still need more shirts.

If more T-shirts are received than needed to complete the quilt, a wall hanging and lap quilt will be made for future raffles or possibly a bonus draw! Thanks to all who have donated your precious shirts to further research for our beautiful wonderful Poms.

TICKET DONATION

One for \$5.00

or

Five for \$20.00

To purchase tickets or donate T-shirts and tote bags please contact:

Ann Berryman 521 Layfield Road East Ridge TN 37412

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Judges' Education Continued

This standard was good for our founders until the late 1960's when the first revision was approved on March 9, 1971. Some of the issues that faced these pioneers are discussed in early publications. The "foxlike expression" has long been a point of contention. In 1928, Mrs. E. Parker in her book, The Popular Pomeranian, elaborates: "Ears - A Pomeranian's ears are closer set, are carried perfectly erect and high on the head, not spooned or pointing forward like those of a fox. Low set ears are objectionable in a Pomeranian and usually have the additional failing of too great a width at their base. The ears should be very small, well shaped and placed; where this is the case they give effect to that intelligent and alert expression so greatly prized in the breed. Teeth – A Pomeranian's teeth should nearly meet in front, that is to say the tips of the upper teeth should only just close over the tips of the lower set. If the upper protrude over the lower, the fault is called 'overshot' or pig-jawed'; if the lower teeth protrude it is called 'undershot'. Both are bad faults and very ugly. The level bite was revised in the 1971 and 1995 standards to read "scissors bite" but no fault was declared for the level bite that was accepted earlier.

Under Eyes, Mrs. Parker writes: "The eyes should be medium in size, oval in shape and never large or prominent. They should be placed rather close together, be very dark in colour and above all should express happiness and intelligence. In Pomeranians of all colourings, except browns, blues and beavers, the rims of the eyes should always be black. Browns, blues and beavers show self-coloured eye rims and noses." The first standard says the eye is "oblique". Dictionaries explain "oblique" as "slanting". One adds "neither perpendicular nor horizontal". Mrs. Parker introduces the notion that the eye is "oval". Dictionaries define "oval" as "elliptical" or "egg-shaped". Later revisions of the standard say the eye is "almond-shaped". Somewhere between oblique and almond, round eyes have slipped in and are more nearly the norm than the almond-shaped. The oblique, almond-shaped eye is consistent with the requirements for the larger Nordic breeds and many of the herding breeds. Never has the eye color been described in any version as other than dark, and Mrs. Parker adds the adverb "very" to the dark in color.

To describe the nose, we find "The nose should be small and, excepting those dogs of the colourings just mentioned, jet black with no tendency to "off colour". The same may be said of the rims of the eyes, for a good expression is frequently married by pale eyerims." The standard of the day allowed Poms of "other colors" to have brown or liver colored noses, but not parti-colored and never white." Later versions address the nose under the HEAD and pigmentation that must be black or self-colored.

Due to the limitations of space, this comparison will be continued in the next issue. We will explore the evolving changes in the allowed colors, changes in size considerations, coat and other issues. Quotes from other authors will be included.

I want to thank Ms. Barbara Kolk, Librarian at the American Kennel Club, for researching and making early publications available for use in this article.

It is my opinion that unless we know our origins, form and function, we cannot make reasonable, logical decisions that will improve the breed we love. Dedicated, knowledgeable breeders and judges will be of great service to our future.

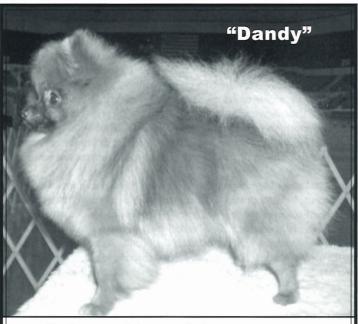
Moss Meadow's Pomeranians

congratulates Trish Rowley with Legacy Pomeranians on her Kennel Visit. Thanks for all of the helpful advise over the years. Wishing you continued success with your breeding program.



CH. Moss Meadow's Precious Loki

Breeder: Gina Moss Owner Michelle Wilhoite www.Mosspoms.com



My deepest condolences to the Pomeranian world for the loss of Nina Epps. She was a lovely lady and will be missed by all, especially the Central Arkansas Pomeranian Club members.

Congratulations Trish on your APC Kennel Visit. I always look forward to seeing you in the ring.

Norma Smart

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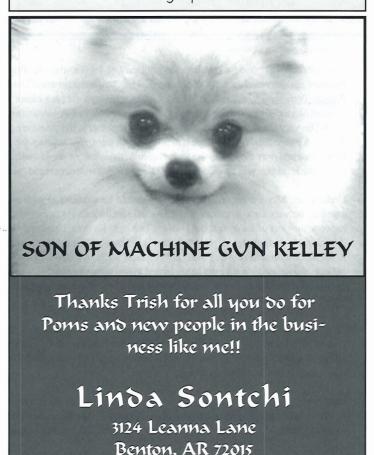
(Ch. Puf-Pride Cloudbreaker x Mabin's Labor of Luv)

*Nikki was produced thru the collaborated efforts of myself and very
dear friend Larry Lopez. Thank you!

*Congratulations to Patricia Rowley and Muriel Menard on your
kennel visits!

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Patricia Rowley APC Member 2000

First thing is to thank the Pom Review for the honor of this article.

As most of you know I like color, my favorite being the creams and whites. I don't think there is anything more striking than a beautiful white Pom with deep black pigment floating around the ring. But I will go into more of this later.

I have to thank my mother Molly McDaniel for my love of animals. They always came first. We always had some kind of fur-kid around from the time I can remember. The love of competing came from her also. We had horses for a very long time and we showed them very successfully. Then came the Samoyeds, which were shown to titles at both ends. I guess this is where my love of the whites came from. The Samoyeds are so beautiful and graceful.

I don't work anymore and I live by myself. I devote all my time to my beautiful Pomeranian babies. Work got in the way of spending time with the fur-kids and showing. So as I got better at the showing I started taking in client dogs to show. I will introduce some of them to you later. I am very picky as to what I show as I have a couple of pet peeves with our Poms. This I will share with you in a bit.

My babies are all raised in the house for that one on one attention. When they finally do go to the kennel it is mainly for the exercise. I have huge outdoor runs; and heated and air conditioned indoor runs. Even in the kennel they get daily attention as I feel this is very important. Exercise is

very important to the development of muscle tone for good strong legs. These may be toy dogs but at one time they had a working purpose. I feel even with the small size they have become they should still be able to do the job they were first intended for (of course size proportioned).

Patricia Rowley

I am a member of the American Pomeranian Club and the Memphis Toy Dog Club. The MTDC will have our first sanctioned show soon. Hope to see a lot of you there for a good Pom entry. And last but not least, I am a member of the Central Arkansas Pom Club. I hope to see you at the specialty in Benton, Arkansas in October. We recently lost a dear member, Nina Epps. Nina you will be forever missed. You and your dearly departed Jake will live on through what you have produced and also in our hearts.

My start in Poms came when I was a real estate broker. I listed the home of a gentleman that had this fiesty little red fur-ball. I was there all afternoon for an open house and he was my company. This amusing and personable little fellow stole my heart. I took my sister, Judy Stone, out there on one of

my visits and she also was hooked. Imagine that a fur-ball of barely 4 lbs. stealing our hearts. We were telling our mother about this little guy and to our surprise she got each of us a Pom for Christmas. Of course these little dogs were not show quality as they were bought as heart dogs. As my love of these dogs grew, I wanted to breed and of course not really planning on showing got a male that was not great quality. He did have some good dogs in the background. As we got better dogs the others were placed as pets. My first was red, but my love of the whites was still there. It was almost impossible to get good whites at that time so it was breed and cull. Judy acquired Chacres Snowman Of Neujahr (Nabob breeding) and this was great; we had a decent male to start getting the whites we wanted. My champion males and some of my girls go back to him. Out of a snowman daughter (Chacres Fancy's Crystal Ice) and Beau James At Basting Place (a Ch. Bi-Mar Whipporwill son) I got two of the most adorable puppies I had ever seen. These two were kept up and pampered for show, not to say the rest weren't pampered, but these two got a little extra. It was a brother and sister; both were a dark cream.

These two turned out great so I started showing them. Magic didn't like the grooming that went with showing, but still pulled many reserves. Ivory pulled many points but at that time was overlooked because of color.

Then I had Chacres Snowy Summer out. She was a very beautiful white with absolutely gorgeous black

pigment. She had correct coat and vivacious attitude. Unfortunately she never pulled a point, but a lot of reserves. I think this is my biggest disappointment in the Poms. She would show like she was the only dog on earth and she knew she was special. She deserved her championship. A judge almost made me give up, but ultimately led to my stubborn streak setting in. He whispered to me while giving me 3 of 3 in the bred-by class that I had the best looking white he had ever seen and to get myself a professional handler and he would put her up. Well after I cried I got mad because that told me I was definitely on the right track.

I lost my special girl, Summer, last year due to renal failure right after her seventh birthday. This loss nearly tore my heart out. I have a very good vet and he tried to save her. But when we saw she was not getting better I had to make the hardest decision of my life. I could not stand to see this girl that usually had so much life and love try to stand up for me when I sang her song to her. You are gone but definitely not forgotten my dear Summer girl.

I will take this opportunity to mention some of the lines I work with. I really didn't have a mentor or much help for that matter when I started. I think everyone thought I would just go away. Well I didn't and I have made some wonderful friends in the Pom world.

I, of course, have the Nabob line and Silver Meadows. My best brood Legacy's Arctic Fox also has a little Blitzen and Bonner. Foxie is what I set the standard for movement on. When she moves she floats and takes my breath away.



LEGACY'S ANGEL OF EXOTICA

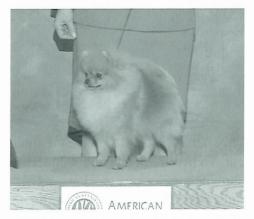
I acquired a male from Evelyn
Newyear that is a son of Ch.
Mercer's Exotica, which we all
know has a lot of Bonner. I think
Dorothy Bonner produced some of
the finest dogs. I love the coat and
bone produced with this line. I have
a beautiful doubled up daughter of
his, Legacy's Angel of Exotica.
Angel is major-pointed and white.

I also have a male Rosewood's
Sunmark Sensation from Mary
Hammond. Bucky is very old now,
but he is out of some of the old
Millimor lines of Ken and Eleanor
Miller. They produce dogs with
wonderful faces and ear sets. The
coat is very correct and harsh.
Bucky has a champion son and
grandson and I am working on some



CH. ROL'N DEL'S PRETTY BOY FLOYD

great grandsons. Bucky's son, Ch. Rol'n Del's Pretty Boy Floyd, is out of one of my foundation girls. I have to thank Delores Zahner (retired from Poms now) for all her help and support. She has been a great friend. I now co-own Pretty Boy with Judy Stone, Molly McDaniel (Exotic Poms) and Stephanie Witt (Witt-Elle Poms). Pretty boy was the first client dog I finished. I think that is one of the most exciting times I can remember. I am acquiring Bucky's last male produced by Delores before retiring. His name is Rol'n Del's Rhinestone Cowboy (Bucky Jr.). Bucky Jr. has the harshest coat



ROL'N DEL'S RHINESTONE COWBOY

I think I have ever seen. He has that vivacious attitude that first attracted me to this breed. He has gotten his first two points and hope there are more to come soon. I have to thank Mindy Slage for allowing me to buy this boy from her.

Pretty Boy, of course, sired my first home bred champion. Ch. Legacy's Machine Gun Kelly is a very light cream, almost white. It is the combination of these wonderful lines that have created some very nice whites and creams with good movement, coat and type.

Now the Kelly story, as he has given me so much pleasure. Kelly was the puppy nobody wanted because he was cream not white. So I started



CH. LEGACY'S MACHINE GUN KELLY

training him and then when he was old enough I started showing him. He was such a pleasure to show he has great attitude and showmanship. He started by taking reserve to the majors, then on to taking the points and many best of breeds. I guess the most memorable show was Little Rock, Arkansas in 2002. I had him and his litter sister (Jr's Shady Lady) showing. That weekend Kelly took breed both days and Sadie took best of opposite both days. Kelly will be with me until the day he goes over the rainbow bridge. He may be the puppy no one wanted but he is my precious boy. I took Kelly to the national in 2004 not expecting for him to even make the cut with so many nice dogs there. But to my surprise he made the first cut. It was awesome. Not bad for a very light cream boy in an orange world.

Advice to prospective Pom owners or exhibitors would be to do your research. I recommend you read The New Pomeranian by Sari Brewster-Tietjen. It has a lot of history and helpful information. There are a lot of health issues and care required breeding and raising of these precious little ones. When you decide this is the breed for you, then go to a breeder that has the type of dog you prefer. There are many

shapes and sizes to the Poms, and many colors. The colors are harder to finish and have to be better than the oranges. That is sad to say but to give credit it is easier now than it used to be. Thanks to the many color breeders out there now. If you are a new exhibitor and want to show the dog your self buy an orange or red or sable. Why I say that is because it is the safe road and you will get your feelings hurt a whole lot less. A lot of new exhibitors get that show dog and don't realize the expense and time it takes to take a dog to it's championship. They go to a couple of shows and don't win, then quit. So first get a good dog preferably not a puppy as it might not turn out. Get a six or seven month old dog as it is what it will probably be at that time. And please remember no dog is perfect so decide beforehand what faults you will be able to live with especially if you plan to breed too. Second go to training classes so you and the dog can train together (if there are some close). If you don't have a club close then there are many wonderful people out there in the Pom world that will take you under their wing and help you. But you must be dedicated. Then on top of this you must learn to groom that abundant coat that you just bought. Again someone close to you will probably help. Go to the shows and talk to some of the breeders and exhibitors. Also remember they are a lap dog first, show dog second. They love to be loved.

Attend some puppy matches that are held after the shows sometimes. They are a lot of fun. I wish I would have known all this when I first started, it might have saved me a lot of heartaches. But of course it

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Witt-Elle's Queen of Denial

Trish

Congrats on your kennel visit!!
Your knowledge and willingness to share it with others cannot be beat.
Thank you for taking such good care of our furkids when they are with you.
I have no doubt Nile will be our next champ, thanks to you.
Your dedication and talent is inspiring.

Roger & Stephanie Witt
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THE RAINBOW BRIDGE

There is a bridge connecting heaven and earth.

It is called the Rainbow Bridge.

Just this side of the Rainbow Bridge there is a land of meadows, hills, and valleys with lush green grass.

When a beloved pet dies, the pet goes to this place.

There is always food and water and warm spring weather.

The old and frail animals are young again.

Those who are maimed are made whole again.

They play all day long with each other.

There is only one thing missing.

They are not with their special person who loved them on earth.

So each day they run and play until the day comes when one suddenly stops playing and looks up!

The nose twitches! The ears up!

The eyes are staring!.....and this one suddenly runs from the group.

You have been seen, and when you and your special friend meet, you take him or her in your arms and embrace.

Your face is kissed again and again and again, and you look once more into the eyes of your trusting pet.

Then you cross the Rainbow Bridge together, never again to be separated.

Author Unknown

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According the roster, I am the only American Pomeranian Club member in all Europe. When Brenda asked me to honor the Pomeranian Review with an APC Kennel Visit, I wondered, "Me? The little Pomeranian breeder from the other side of the sea?" But the honor was for ME! Thanks a lot for this great joy.

I present myself to you. My name is Muriel Menard; I am 55 years old and a florist. My only children are my Poms! I live in Normandy France, a famous area for The Landings of 1944. Normandy is near the English coast where my grandfather James Cross was born.

Muriel Menard



Les Petits Princes de Urkys

**APC Member Since 1996 - France

**Here is my story. Perhaps with some mistakes; my translator is a young student.

I will tell you how I caught the Pomeranian virus (bug). It all began when my aunt was searching for a white "Loulou de Pomeranie". She wanted a white dog of medium height, but fell in love with Joucki who was black and tiny! He was 4 months old. I was 10 years old and it was pure happiness every time I played with the little black Pomeranie. When my aunt, who also was my godmother, asked me what I would like as a present, I answered

immediately, "A little dog like you have!" That is how Nesta, my first little black loulou, came into my life. I was 14 years old when I received Nesta. My love of Poms has continued for over 41 years.

The name of my kennel "Les Petits Princes De Urkys" is a mixture of names of my first loulous (Nesta, Uki, Rexyh) for Urkys and Petits Princes because for me they are really the Princesses.



Here our first Loulou Joucky & Nesta

Let me tell you how I began breeding Pomeranians. What happens when you have a couple (male and female Poms) in the same house? Puppies of course! I was 18 years old with no experience. I lost one of two babies.

At that time in France only one size could be shown. Now we can show three sizes. Even though Rexyh was a little bigger, he won some 1st prizes and CACIB. This was in the 70s. Then came Ursulett de la Polmeraie, a marvelous black doll. She was bred to Uki de la Quimbault (cream). They gave me my first two French champions: Isathy and Jolie Kathya Des Petits Princes De Urkys and Europe Ch Maya Des Petits Princes De Urkys.

By the pure chance, Venus d'Or du Missouri, a wonderful orange-red female, entered in my life. She quickly became a champion. I purchased Joss des Mascottes de Villagrains because I liked his sire Ayone Charlie Brown, an English Pomeranian, very much. Joss was orangesable and a good reproducer.

From 1968 to 1982 I bred twenty litters for 46 puppies. I kept 23 of the Poms. Then I quit breeding for nine years. However, when you have such passion and love for these little dogs they never leave you.

I bought two new Spitz for my 40th birthday, but I decided I had to have an



Muriel at 14 years old with Nesta her first "loulou de Pomeranie" 2 months old.

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English Pom. A lot of letters were sent to Great Britain but I only received a few responses. The search for a Pomeranian began. After much travel to dog shows and Pomeranian kennels I came back from Jersey (The Channel Islands) with Thelbern May Bee, a splendid orange female from this famous kennel. Thelma hesitated to sell her. Maybe yes or maybe



Thelbern May Bee

no? This is how her name became May Bee! It was a veritable luck to come back from the Channel with this 3-month-old doll. She had an excellent pedigree (Sableways, Paddockwood, Toy Box); and she was a POMERANIAN and not a Spitz! What a difference of type, shorter, rounder, more coat, everything...so different to the German type. Thelbern May Bee is my foundation bitch and the mother of my three champions (in only two litters). At 13 years old, she is always the "Queen" here.

During this same period, I had been a long time admirer of the Pomeranians on the other side of the Atlantic (United States). In 1975 I wrote a letter to the AKC, but it was returned due to the wrong address. I was successful in subscribing to the three American Pomeranian magazines of the time: The Pomeranian Review, Pom Reader and Pom Registry. It was a great pleasure to receive each issue, just as it is still today. I purchased many back issues and now have a beautiful collection. I love my collection of Pomeranian publications and love to look at them again and again.

My first contact from the United States

was with Mrs. Mary Allan of Allayn's Pomeranian. I had met Mr. Allan at the Barney's Show in England. Thanks, Mary for your photos, letters and video.

Then one day, I fell hopelessly in love with Mrs. Sharon Masnick's Ch. Golden Aires Moonwalker. He was the type I had searched for. That was over 12 years ago and with little access to fax or the Internet. Letters were very slow. Three years after beginning my search for an American Pom, I was thrilled when Sharon announced she would reserve a beautiful tiny male for me. Thanks again Sharon for this dream come true.

After the long trip from the US to France, Golden Aires Check Mate a/k/a "Checkers" arrived. Oh my God! As soon as I saw him, I knew he was all I had wished for. Checkers was tiny, with a short body, a large and short muzzle, tiny ears, and an incredible skeletal structure for such a small creature. He had a sweet irresistible little face, an adorable character, with wonderful movement. The French breeders adored him when some months later I presented him at the French National Championship Show (equal to your American Specialty). His type was so different than the norm in France, it was difficult, but finally the judges had to recognize his quality.

Now, the winners are all Poms! Checkers was the first Pomeranian imported in France from The States. He is a champion and the proud daddy of 5 champions. He has the highest merit (6)



Ch Golden Aires Check Mate aka Checkers

two of his daughters were Top Winning Bitches; Ch LL'Darling in 1996, Ch Magic Amour in 1997; his son The Best Golden Aires Des Petits Princes De Urkys is European Junior Ch, Multi group and BIS 3. Although Checkers wasn't the son of Ch Golden Aires Moonwalker ROM "Wally"; his pedigree is wonderful (Great Elms, Wee Heart, Chriscendo)

After that, I imported Mack's Diamond Rose and Ben Aires Mataline known as Mattie a Ch Golden Aires True Reward's daughter and granddaughter of the great sire Ch Millamor's Mark Tradition. Mattie was a Champion in three weeks and Top Winning Bitch in 1999. Unfortunately after health problems, Diamond and Mattie weren't capable of having puppies but they are still loved by me.



Golden Aires Des Petits Princes De Urkys aka Wally

Those importations were followed by Golden Aires Moon Dance (a Wally son) and littermate to Ch Golden Aires Moon Chip. Bred to Ch LL'Darling (Checkers X May Bee) they are the proud parents of five champions: Optimum, Odyssey, Show Me, Sweet and Scoty. Their two last daughters Wonderful "Wondy" and Beautiful "Beauty" 6 months old are my new hopeful puppies. Faithful to Sharon Masnick and Benson Ray my last importation is Golden Aires Wahlena, a Ch Golden Aires Wallace Jr's daughter, mother of my Wally. I like their lines and I am so happy of their confidence. I can't thank them enough them for their honesty and for all their marvelous Pomeranians that they entrusted to me and permitted me to have the following



Golden Aires Moon Dance

very nice titles:

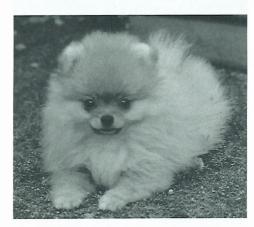
- * 12 Champions presents at my kennel
- * Ch LL' Darling Top Winning Bitch 96
- * Ch Magic Amour Top Winning Bitch 97
- * Ch Mattie Top Winning Bitch 99



Ch Show Me Dance Des Petits Princes De Urkys

- * Wally European Jr Ch; Multi group and BIS 3
- *Best Breeding Group (5 Poms together same size) 1999, 2000, 2002, and 2003.

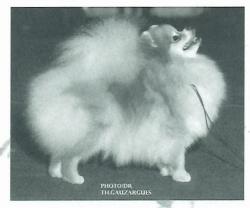
Many thanks to my two APC sponsors Sharon and Benson. I was so happy and



Absolutely Wonderful Dance 3 months old

proud to enter in the family of The American Pomeranian Club in 1996. Thanks for allowing me to join the APC.

As a Committee Member of the Club Francais du Spitz for the past 10 years, I am proud to have prevented the elimination of the color orange-sable. This class "other colors" is now well represented at shows. But unfortunately, there is again some interdictions even the



Golden Aires Wahlena

parti of 3 colors or orange with white. In France, the rules are severe. The breeding are obligatorily between same color and same height, just a difference of two cm and black are admit with brown. At my opinion, superb breedings are lost!



Ch Optimum Moon Dance Des Petits Princes De Urkys in natural coat

I always admired Ch Great Elms Prince Charming II, Ch Odyssey Keno Wiz, Ch Finch's He Walks On Water, Ch Starfire's Superman, Ch Stolanne Thunderbolt Thor, and others. Today my models are "Parker" Ch Pufpride Sweet Dream, "Sly" Ch Finch's Awesome On All Four, "Colt" Ch Chriscendo Call To Arms, "Luther" Ch Starfire's Wicked Mean N Nasty and many others.

I like to show my Poms, however it's not my priority. The joy of living with them is more important. To have under my eyes these little balls of furs and wonderful sweet faces is every day a treat.

In spite of their number, the Poms are all in my house without cages (as pets). It just takes organization. All my 28 Poms live together in harmony and May Bee supervises them! She is "the big chief"



My Best Breeding Group 2003 5 Petits Princes De Urkys

here. I have 12 males (4 generations). They are very sociable and never have problem. I have fortunately a big house with a garden. Of course, girls go in my bedroom when there are in heat. The babies are born in my bedroom, at 6 weeks old they come in my living room during the day and in my bedroom at night. I only have an occasional litter when I want something to show because I have



My litter 2005
Wondy, Amour and Beauty
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a big problem. I hate to sell any puppies. Only 4 in 20 years! It's why my Pom family is so many!

I live in a small village of 1200 inhabitants. My flower shop is within my house so between my customers, I am often with my little dogs. Their life as a group is really interesting to observe. It's as a



My living room

little pack with rules and all are nice. Girls know that they are girls and the boys know they are boys! For example, when I say, "Just the girls," the girls pass but the boys don't move! I never train the Poms, the young learn by imitating the older Poms. In my life, I have only had this marvelous breed so I cannot compare with other breeds but Poms are so intelligent and attaching. Their happiness is my priority. How can one resist their little faces?

I like also horses. I have a French Saddle Pony "Beaute de Urkys" who is 28 years old. Yes, Beaute is fine! I love to draw Poms and horses. I am drawing for English, American and Canadian Clubs.

The breeder's life can be good and less good at times. To have beautiful Poms, to win in shows, it's real exciting but to lose young dogs is very very difficult. Lovthye D'or and Fleur were both lost by caesarean at 3 years old. My last great sorrow was the death of "Amour Of Dance", a three-month-old puppy, by a medical allergic reaction. I had a big feeling Amour was not feeling normal. You certainly know the feeling. As with Melodie and Fleur, Amour was a LOVE.

It been an honor and a pleasure to be invited to share my Pomeranian experiences with The Pomeranian Review. It's a great privilege. Thank you for this opportunity. Congratulations to Brenda Segelken for a great job with the Review. It is so nice.

You can see all my Poms on my website http://perso.wanadoo.fr/pom.menard.urkys/



My pony Ma Beaute de Urkys (28 years old)



The Floral Shop



Amour Of Dance Des Petits Princes De Urkys 3 months old



Super Dance Des Petits Princes De Urkys



Ch Sweet Dance Des Petits Princes De Urkys



Artwork by Muriel Menard





Ch Tennessee Des Petits Princes De Urkys



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Review Board Summary for August

Motion made, seconded and motion carried to donate three commemorative medallions for BOB, BOS & Best BBE at the January 2006 AKC/Eukanuba Nationals. The price of the medallions is \$75 each.

Motion made, seconded and motion carried that the following statement regarding returning club materials be added to our Standing Rules.

"Any Chair or member assigned any responsibility or duty for the Club must upon vacating their position, turn over within 2 weeks to the Corresponding Secretary (or to someone designated by the Corresponding Secretary) any written or electronic material relating to this task."

September 2005 Board Summary

A motion was passed that APC buy a set of plastic jumps for our obedience.

Becky Sabourin will be the APC National Rescue Coordinator.

The 2006 APC National Specialty in Louisville Kentucky will be dedicated in memory of Nina Epps.

The following will be included in the Standing Rules, Section III Specialty Shows, subtitled Summer Specialty. (They are presently in the Summer Specialty Guidelines but not in the Standing Rules)

- a. If breed judge is not part of all-breed panel, will provide up to \$200 for a judge residing up to 100 miles from site, or \$350 for a judge living more than 100 miles away as coverage for the fee, and cover the cost of the banquet.
- b. Pay for one nights lodging and banquet cost of sweepstakes judge.
- c. When a separate Obedience Trial is held, pay expenses for a local obedience judge and banquet reservation.
- d. Offer trophies of \$50 value or \$50 cash for both Best Of Breed and Highest Scoring Pom in Trial.

APC will pay two (2) nights hotel charges for the breed judge in addition to the allowed fees at the APC Summer Specialty.

"The Way I See It"

The first PR Way I See It was published in 1958.

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



Sue Lucatorto

Arlene Benko, Cape Coral, Florida, writes:

PR: How long have you been an AKC judge?
AB: I have been an approved judge since June 1970.

PR: Why did you apply to become a judge?
AB: Since I was successful in breeding some outstanding Collie champions, I felt I wanted to do more for our lovely breed.

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

AB: I started with the Collies and was fortunate to breed and show one of the top winning bitches in the late 60's and early 70's, Ch. Blossom Heights Tami. Her littermates were Ch. Blossom Heights First Lady, "Jackie", and Ch. Blossom Heights Jetsander. There were many more that followed. I also had Shelties and Poms.

PR: Did you ever own or show a Pomeranian?

AB: Yes. At a local show I sat and watched the Toy Group and the Pomeranian took my breath away. By that time some of my Collies had crossed the Rainbow Bridge and

loose lead.

I searched for a Pomeranian for two years. In my search I met the late Goldie McGuire and Ken and Eleanor Miller and we became good friends. In time, I got a puppy bitch from Goldie and she became my first Pomeranian Ch. McGuires Little Nike, "Gidget". The next Pom was a puppy bitch called Blossom Heights Bolero. In time she was bred to Ch. Homestead's Spit N Polish, a Best In Show dog. She gave me a super show dog and producer named Ch. Blossom Heights Firecracker. From "Cracker" I got the bitch Ch. Blossom Heights Dynamite and an outstanding dog named Ch. Blossom Heights Jackpot, "Jackie" and others.

PR: What do you enjoy about judging Poms?

AB: Their beauty and showmanship. The whole package.

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

AB: To bring in a clean; ring ready Pom that enjoys being there. The Pom should be trimmed neatly but never sculptured.

PR: In general, what do you think an exhibitor can do to improve the "aver-

age" show Pom's presentation?
AB: Just to have knowledge of the
Pomeranian standard and pay attention to
ring procedure. Listen to what the judge is
asking you to do. Show the Pom on a

PR: If you have been judging Pomeranians for over ten years, please answer the following questions. How has the overall quality of the Pomeranian improved since you have been judging?

AB: At some shows, yes, except for the

sculpturing!

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

AB: I did not agree with some of the changes but have to judge the Pom according to the revised standard.

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

AB: I have no additional comments. Thank you for inviting me.

PR: If you have any additional

Victoria Oelerich I am a native New Yorker from Long Island. Let me try to answer the questions asked in an open and hopefully informative way. How long have you been exhibiting?

I began showing 30 years ago in 1985 by hiring a young, local handler to show our family pet boxer. She was bought from a show breeder who asked, as part of the sale agreement that she be shown. She turned out to be a beauty, winning back-to-back 5-point majors at the American Boxer Club Regional Specialty. From that moment on my heart was hooked on dog showing.

Are you a professional handler or a breeder/owner?

A mix of both. I began as an owner/breeder/handler. I still get the greatest joy showing puppies and dogs I have bred and raised from birth, but there is a great thrill in having others allow me to show their dogs. I have had such wonderful experiences with so many magnificent dogs, experiences that would have been denied if not for the trust others have put in me by allowing me to be their handler. The winning is just as pleasing, and the losing is just as disappointing whether I'm in the ring as an owner, or a handler.



Arlene Benko



Victoria Oelerich

What attracted you to the Pomeranian?

Years back, at a show in Buffalo, New York I was sitting ringside and was awestruck by CH. Glen Iris Castle Rock shown by Nina Fetter-Work. I became intrigued and inspired in that moment. My dear friend Peter Pettersen and I had been talking about finding a new breed that we could explore together as a team. The answer crystallized in that moment. It would be Poms for the two of us.

What concerns do you have for the future of the breed?

I would have to say my major concerns are the Pom health issues. As with most purebred dogs, these are multiple. I feel these issues are totally in our hands as breeders, and being so, they should always be considered as paramount in importance. It shouldn't be most important how beautiful our next generation of puppies is going to be, nor how much winning am I going to be doing. Neither should caring more how important are the statistics going to make me look, nor how much money will I be able to make with my top winning line of Poms. But rather, how healthy, physically, are the next generations going to be. This consideration and this alone should govern our breeding programs. Unfortunately we end up finishing most of our champions before many of the major health concerns become evident. Seizures, thyroid issues, heart problems, skin and coat diseases all have to be reckoned with even if it is at the expense of a "winning" line of dogs. We owe it to our breed as a whole. We owe honesty about health concerns to our fellow breeders whether when selling puppies, full grown breeding stock or stud services to be used in a program. Without accurate testing and DNA markers, our openness and honesty are the best tools to ensure progress against these afflictions. Perhaps one day we will have more scientific help to guide our breeding programs and spare these wonderful dogs suffering.

What do you expect from a judge in the ring the day you are showing?

When exhibiting to a judge, I would expect that they come to the ring with a working knowledge of the essence of whichever breed they are judging and that they go by the AKC Standard as it is written leaving personal opinions aside. They should come to do their job with respect for the people exhibiting under them and have patience with the animals as well. Too often you exit the ring thinking the judge would obviously like to be doing anything other than judging dogs that day, or that they have no recollection how it felt to deal with unruly puppies or headstrong adult dogs. We as exhibitors pay for their expertise, one should never leave the ring feeling disrespected nor disregarded.

What improvements would you like to see in the breed?

I would love to see better patelas on our Poms. I get to feel too many dogs with slipping patelas. I always say that I feel these dogs are forced to live with "glass" legs. Any stress can cause them debilitating pain and even eventual crippling injuries. It is not a good enough answer to just say, "They are toy dogs. They aren't working dogs". They still need four good legs under them for a full life of running, jumping and playing.

What do you feel is the most important asset to a show pom?

If I had to narrow it to a single asset, a correct coat texture, volume and density. It is the glorious part of the breed. It sets them apart when it is full, beautiful and not cut down to oblivion. I have been accused of showing dogs with too much coat, I say let that be the case! I love their coats.

What advice would you give to help a newcomer to exhibiting (before the show, at the show, in the ring)?

My best advice would be to learn everything there is to learn and learn it from the right people. Sit and watch before you choose a mentor. Then listen carefully. Another good piece of advice for anyone in this game is to always honestly know what it is you have on the end of your lead. Don't make excuses nor disregard faults. It is only by recognizing all traits, good and bad, that can help you make the most of what it is you have, whether in the ring, or in the whelping box.

Do you have any suggestions for dog show superintendents pertaining to specifically the toy breeds?

Yes! Allow crates at ringside. It is not just a convenience, but it is a safety issue with the frenetic activity ringside. Another thought, setting aside of a "ready ring" area, ringside, is a great help getting and keeping the toy breeds ring ready and safe from big dogs immediately prior to judging.

What, if anything, would you like to say to the majority of Toy judges?

First, be gentle. Slow and gentle should be the ground rules when going over a Toy. Also, great care goes into the primping and grooming of many Toy coats. It is always distressing when the judge steps away from his exam and it looks as though they've left a

tussled mess. Body structure can be examined without wrecking the grooming effort or man handling little mouths. So I would ask, examine the dog completely and thoroughly, but leave the dog mentally intact and still groomed when the exam is completed.

What are the procedures you follow to get a Pom ready the week prior to a dog show? When do you trim, bath? What products do you use?

One week before a show I bathe and rough trim a dog if he hasn't been recently shown. Nails are done at that time, teeth checked and cleaned, as are the ears. During the week leading up to the show, I watch the dog as he moves about off lead looking to see what could be done to improve his look, his outline, improve his assets and minimize his flaws. On the day before the show, they are generally spot bathed again (pants, ears, boy's bellies, legs) and given a "fine tuning trim". Nails will be ground back one more time, the shorter the better. The products I use are all determined by a particular dog's needs. Dry areas get a conditioner, soft coats fortified, weak coats texturized etc. Being best friends with Peter, a professional hair stylist, has taught me that human products are usually of better quality than are products marketed directly for dogs. So that is what I most often use, some guite expensive, but worth the cost when you see the results.

How do you routinely condition a Pom's coat for showing? Products? Food?

The everyday routine conditioning of a dog is what is of utmost importance. If a dog is regularly maintained, little needs to be done prior to show time. If the dog is poorly maintained, one week of emergency grooming will never be enough to undo the damage. They must be well cared for, well-socialized, exercised, trained, parasite free and on a high caliber diet. I feed my dogs an exceptional and costly diet so I don't go for many supplements. Their normal diet affords them the advantages superior nutrition can deliver. We're constantly cooking and preparing fresh food for our dogs, often before we cook our own meals.

What quality of the Pomeranian, in the AKC/ APC Standard that you feel is overlooked the most in the show ring?

My feeling is that the determination of "type" is the most abused or confused element within the standard. So very often people say to me, "Oh, he is a different type". The Standard should emphatically clarify that there is only one type. There is not the "old fashioned" type, the "spitz" type, the "fox-like" type, the "baby doll" type, the "teddy bear" type. I hear the terms and I feel it is the source of confusion and inconsistency in judging. The Standard should more satisfactorily take away the "which type" question. I think judges should be more strongly guided by the written Standard in this critical decision area.

Thanks for this opportunity to share my thoughts.



ANIMAL RIGHTS GROUPS ATTACK LIFE-SAVING DEBARKING PROCEDURE

By Charlotte McGowan

There is a move around the country by animal rights interests to outlaw the practice of debarking dogs. So much misinformation about this procedure abounds that it is truly time to set the record straight. As a dog breeder for over 40 years, I can tell you that debarking in the hands of a well trained veterinarian is a very useful tool for breeders and owners and it saves lives.

I have had a lot of dogs debarked over the years and the usefulness of this procedure should not be ignored. I know friends who have used debarking for decades with no ill effects on the dogs.

Q: What is debarking?

A: This is a surgical procedure to reduce tissue in the vocal chords. Some vets use a punch to remove tissue. Other surgeons make cuts of varying sizes and I have heard of some using a laser. The goal of the surgery is to lower the volume of the dog's bark and the ability of the bark to carry over a wide area.

Q: Does debarking remove the dog's ability to bark?

A: No. Debarked dogs continue to bark. What debarking does is to lower the volume of the bark so that it does not carry for miles around.

Q: Is the surgery always successful?

A: Sometimes scar tissue forms and heavy barkers will become louder than when first debarked. The skill of the veterinarian is also a factor.

Q: Is this a "cruel and barbaric procedure?"

A: No. People with little or no experience raising naturally noisy and talkative breeds may tell you this. People with breeds like Shetland Sheepdogs (Shelties) can tell you that this procedure is simple and that it saves lives of dogs that might otherwise be dumped in the pound for their barking. Debarking is a more simple procedure than removing the uterus in spaying or removing testicles in neutering.

Q: Do dogs suffer emotionally from debarking?

A: It is a huge myth to suggest dogs are emotionally disturbed by debarking.

Debarked dogs can bark. Even if reduced sound comes out of their mouths, they don't seem to notice at all! Debarked dogs that are not being constantly disciplined for barking, in fact, tend to be much happier dogs!

Q: Is it true that only criminals and drug dealers debark dogs?

A: This is the biggest myth about debarking! The majority of people who debark dogs are responsible dog owners at the end of their rope with dogs whose bark is so piercing that they can be heard for miles around. To be breed specific, Sheltie, Collie and other herding breed owners are the people most apt to do this. Herding breeds, by nature can be very vocal in their work. They also are joyful in their barking. They bark at squirrels, strangers, in play. They bark just to bark. Sheltie and Collie breeders are not criminals and drug dealers!

Q: Is it true you can train any dog not to bark?

A: I defy some of the so-called new wave of dog behaviorists to train a group of Shelties not to bark! Shelties in numbers larger than one love to do group barking. It is part of who they are.

Q: Isn't debarking a hazardous procedure?

A: Any procedure that requires anesthesia, whether it is a dental

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cleaning, spay, or debarking has intrinsic risks. The key to success is good veterinary skill in all these procedures.

Q: Do people debark just to avoid training their dogs?

A: The majority of people who debark have run out of options and are trying to be good neighbors. We are not talking about people who are irresponsible and leave their dogs out all night or ignore chronic barking. We are talking about people who understand that the piercing bark of a Sheltie, even on limited occasions, can be enough to cause a war in built up residential neighborhoods. Animal rights interests have painted debarking as a cruel quick fix when in fact it is something no owner does lightly.

Q: Is excessive barking due to bad breeding?

A: Here's another myth. Shelties kept birds of prey away from lambs on remote Shetland. They also kept livestock out of the crofters meager gardens and protected fish drying on the beach from eagles and other raptors. Barking is a useful tool for this work. It also helps let the owner know where the dog is. Unfortunately, in modern life, neighbors are not impressed when Shelties bark at birds!

Q: Anti debarking legislation is being put forth around the country as part of anti dog fighting bills. Isn't this a good idea?

A: Criminals pay no attention to laws. They are not going to license their dogs in the first place, let alone report any that may be debarked. The people impacted by anti debarking laws are responsible owners, especially people with Shelties and Collies. Animal rights interests want to outlaw any procedures they deem unnecessary. Responsible and compassionate veterinarians should understand that debarking can save lives by keeping dogs out of shelters and in homes. While some dogs, especially when they are the only dog in a home, can be trained to reduce their barking, others cannot be trained to the point where neighbors will not be annoyed.

Q: Do you debark ALL your dogs?

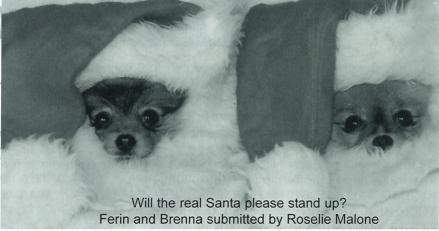
A: No. Some dogs are less noisy than others. I do debark the dedicated squirrel chasers because they can be extremely noisy and the squirrels are always going to be out there. I wish I could train the squirrels to move to another neighborhood but that's just about as hard as training a sheltie not to bark.

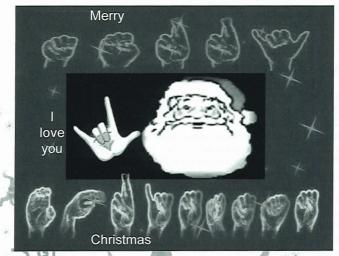
Charlotte McGowan is the author of The Shetland Sheepdog in America and is an honorary Life Member of the American Shetland Sheepdog Association. She has bred dogs for over 40 years. She has been an AKC dog show judge for over 30 years.















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

American Pomeranian Club, Inc.

Walda Green Chairperson



Well, it is time to start looking forward to the next APC Winter National already, I wish I could take credit for this new idea but it has come to me from others. Wouldn't it be fun if each club "sponsored" a basket of goodies? It could reflect your part of the country, representative of what your area is best known for (i.e. Kentucky and the "Derby"). Discuss this in your club meetings, plan your basket and select a representative that can be responsible for getting it to the National in March. We can then tag each one so we know what club is donated it. I can see this growing into a fun competition between the clubs.

We will also be trying something else new this next year. The opportunity to pre-order t-shirts! The details are still being worked out so watch for future announcements. THERE WILL BE A CUT OFF DATE FOR ORDERS, IF YOU MISS THE DATE YOU WILL HAVE TO WAIT FOR THE NATIONAL. (THERE WILL BE SHIRTS AVAILABLE THERE). WE WILL NOT MAIL SHIRTS TO YOU, THESE ARE SOUVENIRS OF THE SHOW AND MUST BE PICKED UP THERE, IF YOU WILL HAVE SOMEONE ELSE PICK UP YOUR SHIRT I MUST KNOW WHO THAT WILL BE WHEN YOU ORDER YOUR SHIRT. WATCH THIS ARTICLE FOR MORE INFORMATION AND AN ORDER FORM.

And to everyone...my wishes for a safe and wonderful Holiday Season!

APC NATIONAL SPECIALTY LOGO ART CONTEST

The American Pomeranian Club will offer an art contest for all artists, APC members No entry will be accepted which specifies any condition as to its acceptance or use. 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

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.

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 orphone (618) 684-4644 orphotocopy 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: PHONE NUMBER: CELL PHONE NUMBER: EMAIL ADDRESS:



THE AMERICAN POMERANIAN CLUB THANKS YOU FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION







Kelly D. Reimschiissel, Chair

Top Ten BREED

January 1, 2005 through September 7, 2005

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1	CH FIREBROOK'S TABASCO FIASCO (D) Owners: Lee Cook*, Donna Machniak*, Dana Coventry*	898
2	CH STARFIRE'S WICKED MEAN-N-NASTY (D) Owners: J. Heath, W. Cosby, Fabian Ariente*, Jose A. Cabrera*	794
3	CH VALCOPY BATBOY (D) Owners: Ron Smith*, Merilyn Smith*, J. Pardue, M. Pardue	659
4	CH JAN-SHARS YOU'RE NOT THE BOSS OF ME (D) Owners: Judy Paris*, Letitia Cannon*	620
5	CH COTTONTOP DOIN' IT BETTER (D) Owners: Linda Mulso*, B. Wollman	541
6	CH PUFPRIDE SWEET DREAMS (D) Owners: Diane L. Finch*, Noble Inglett*	491
7	CH IDLEWYLD PRECIOUS GEM (D) Owner: Margaret R. McKee*	342
8	CH FINCH'SCHARSSPELLBOUNDPARTI (D) Owner: Charlotte Meye*r, Diane Finch*	313
9	CH BOBII'S RETURN OF THE KING (D) Owner: Bobii Earle*	310
10	CH JAKEN'S SPLASHING IN THE RAIN AT JAN LE (D) Owners: A. Hendler, E. Dzuik	305

Top Ten ALL-BREED

January 1, 2005 through September 7, 2005

1	CH STARFIRE'S WICKED MEAN-N-NASTY (D) Owners: J. Heath, W. Cosby, Fabian Ariente*, Jose A. Cabrera*	14,773
2	CH PUFPRIDE SWEET DREAMS (D) Owners: Diane L. Finch*, Noble Inglett*	8,638
3	CH VALCOPY BATBOY (D) Owners: Ron Smith*, Merilyn Smith*, J. Pardue, M. Pardue	6,372
4	CH FIREBROOK'S TABASCO FIASCO (D) Owners: Lee Cook*, Donna Machniak*, Dana Coventry*	6,343
5	CH JAN-SHARS YOU'RE NOT THE BOSS OF ME (D) Owners: Judy Paris*, Letitia Cannon*	5,315
6	CH KIM'S CAMEO SIR LANCELOT (D) Owners: Kim Smith, Jessica Smith Satallante	2,318
7	CH COTTONTOP DOIN' IT BETTER (D) Owners: Linda Mulso*, B. Wollman	1,933
8	CH TOKIE THE LEGEND CONTINUES (D)Owners: Chaivat Tangkaravakun* & Prakit Chularojmontri*	1,646
9	CH TRUDY'S AIMING FOR THE TOP (D)Owner: Nancy Coddingto*n & Robert Coddington*	1,424
10	CH RYMS W FAIR WARNING (D) Owners: S. Wiemer-Martin, R. Martin, S. Plouff, L. Plouff	1,410

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, however you will be listed if you do not have a year membership in the Top Ten. 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@americanpomeranianclub.org before January 15, 2006.



as reported by the American Kennel Club, Inc.



BREEDER EXHIBITOR SIRE **DAM JUNIORS**

January 1, 2005 through August 31, 2005

TOP BREEDERS

Diane L. Finch	14
Jerrie Freia	9
K. G. Griffith	8
Fabian Arienti	7
Jose A. Cabrera	7
Sharon Hanson	7
Charlotte Meyer	5
Lee D. Cook	4
Julie Clemen	3
Linda Decicco	3
Noble Inglett	3
Camilla Knight	3
Celeste Favilla Solano	3
Robert Solano	3
Frances J. Stoll	3
Sharon Yampiro	3

TOP EXHIBITORS

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Charlotte Meyer	9
Sharon Hanson	7
Fabian Arienti	6
Jose A. Cabrera	6
Camilla Knight	4
Celeste Favilla Solano	4
Robert Solano	4
Linda DeCicco	3
Jerrie Freia	3
K. G. Griffith	3
Clarice M. Oganeku	3
Yvette H. Oganeku	3

TOP JUNIORS as reported by Cathy Jessen

Danielle Miller	42
Haley Page	34
Mariah Seering	29
Blake Armstrong	28
Hunter Seering	20
Letesha Girth	18
Jordan Rothell	18
Jessica Page	17
Miss Chelsea Vales	9
Taylor Irvin	8

TOP SIRES

CH Pufpride Sweet Dreams	15
CH Music Maker Of Lenette	7
CH Firebrook's Tabasco Fiasco	5
CH Cheyennes Kodiak Bear Second	4
CH Jan-Shars Dudly Doright	4
CH Jan-Shars N Sync	4
Aphrodite's Austin	3
CH Finch's Nicely Packaged Deal	3
CH Chriscendo Call To Arms	2
CH Diogenoir The Next Generation	2
CH Finch's Peacemaker Parti	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 Janesa's N Jan-Shars Chance	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 Robcary Sobe It	2
CH Starfire's Wicked Mean-N-Nasty	2
CH Tim Sue's Fantastic High	2
CH Tokie's Mercury	2

TOP DAMS

Chesai Katrina Of Robcary	2
Finch's Seasoned Just Right	2
Firebrook's Beanie Baby	2
CH Heather's Sunkiss Beach Baby	2
CH Jan-Shars Brewin Up A Storm	2
CH Lessard's Oopsy Daisy	2
CH Rise N Shine's Leading Lady	2
CH Rodi's Cr Queen Of Stars	2
CH Starfire's Table Dancer	2
Sugar Rae's Copacabana	2

Junior stats as reported by AKC Awards Issues January through May. November 1, 2004 through October 31, 2005 APC Year

Top Ten Breeder, Exhibitor, Sire, and Dam are awards recognized by the APC. Only APC members that have been a member for 1 calendar year are listed for these Top Ten Awards.

New Champions

June



CH A Promise Kept Of Lenette (D) Ju-Mars Tollhouse Of Lenette x Ju-Mars Peach Pie Of Lenette. Owned by: Collen A. Scott. Bred by: Eve Sharpee & Sandy Resterhouse.

CH Abbapoola's Winning Oscar (D) CH Music Maker Of Lenette x Clairmont's Carmelita. Owned by: Tammy Moynihan. Bred by: K. G. Griffith* CH Animation's Bullseye (B) CH Animation's Jeep x CH Animation's Mulan. Owned & Bred by: Lorinda Vasuta* & Darren Lane*.

CH Cascade-Lacueva Panaches Tinker (B) CH Lacueva's Peppered Palomino x Cascade Bev-Nor Black Velvet. Owned by: Laurie Meineke*. Bred by: Doris Wheeler*.

CH Finch's Center Stage (B) .CH Pufpride Sweet Dreams x Finch's Seasoned Just Right. Owned by: Kristin Dang & Jennifer Smith. Bred by: Diane L. Finch*.

CH Finch's Exceeds Code (D) CH Finch's Walkaway Joe x Finch's Dancing In The Dark. Owned by: Mary A. Valles & Charlotte Meyer*. Bred by: Diane L. Finch*.

CH Great Elms Sarava (D) CH Great Elms Mr Chips x Great Elms Sweet Sue II. Owned by: Dawn I. Collins. Bred by: Ruth L. Beam*.

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CH Horizon's Wishful Thinking (B) Wee Hearts Just The Ticket x CH Darlin's Birthday Wish. Owned & Bred by: Laurie Otis.

CH Increase D'Peace Of Allridge (D) CH Clairmont's Max In Carolina x Ragdoll's Hope Of Allridge. Owned & Bred by: Valerie Allridge*.

CH Jan Les Quest Of Random Task (B) CH Avalon's Prince Charming x CH Jan Le's Quest Of Mine. Owned & Bred by: Jane Lehtinen* & Victoria Ann Palmer.

CH Jan-Shars Briggette Jones (B) CH Jan-Shars N Sync x Jan-Shars Miss American Pie. Owned by: Jacklin Matthews Bred by: Sharon Hanson*.

CH Jan-Shars Lady Sings The Blues (B) CH Jan-Shars N Sync x CH Jan-Shars The Cookie Monster. Owned & Bred by: Sharon Hanson*.
CH Lyndor Knot E But Nice (B) CH Pomhaven's Nip N' Tuck x CH Daystar

Rejoice. Owned by: Jackie Sampson. Bred by: Jackie Sampson & Karen Power*.

CH Majestics Rebeling Ms Dixie (B) CH Southlands Rebel Rouser x Majestics Jewel Of Brynrose. Owned & Bred by: Annette Rister*, Charlotte Creed*, Brenda Turner* & S. W. Tumer.

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CH Paragon's Ain'T She Sweet (B) Paragon's Life 'N Da Fast Lane x CH Paragon's Ms Panache Of Park Av. Owned & Bred by: Christine Endow & Japine Endow

CH Paughprints I'Ve Gotta Secret (B) CH Paughprints Tradition Rocks On x Legendary Leilani Of Oakridge. Owned by: Sherri Alspaugh*. Bred by: Tom B. Davidson* & David L. Lamb*.

CH Pomhaven's Tommy Hilfiger (D) Chikai West Side Story Sorve x Pomhaven's Sweet Nutmeg. Owned by: Erin Clark & Colleen Beland. Bred by: Colleen P. Beland.

CH Pominique That's All Folks (D) CH Foxworth Fanfare x Pominique Black Hills Gold. Owned by: Alane Levinsohn* & Diane Luett. Bred by: Cande L. Gordon* & Michael Gordon*.

CH R-Luv Growing Up Gotti (D) CH Lynnwrights Tony Soprano x R-Luv Summer Sunrise. Owned & Bred by: Tina Joanne Petrina.

CH Rise N Shine's Hot Shot (D) CH Cheyennes Kodiak Bear Second x CH Rise N Shine's Leading Lady, Owned & Bred by: Julie Clemen*.

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CH Glen Iris Essence Of Cuilean (D) Heartland's Too Close To Call x CH Glen Iris Castle In The Sky. Owned & Bred by: Cheryl A. Jackson, Geno Sisneros, Isabel Taylor & Lawrence Myers.

CH Janesa's Bar Jon's In Fashion (B) CH Janesa's Fashion Statement x Bar-Jon's N' Janesa's Rave. Owned by: Barbara Messmer. Bred by: Jerrie Freia*

CH Julia's Music Man Of Lenette (D) CH Music Maker Of Lenette x Irina Of Lenette. Owned by: Julia L. Smith. Bred by: K. G. Griffith*. CH Koteries Windwalker (D) CH Diogenoir The Next Generation x Kouteries Wind Beneath My Wings. Owned & Bred by: Renate Richter*. CH Kouteries Pia Of Chipawas (B) Kouteries Got A Bad Rap x Chipawas Seminole Kita Music. Owned by: Renate Richter. Bred by: Mark Ward*.

CH Luminesque Journey Thru Time (B) CH Pufpride Sweet Dreams x Dhcrew Luminesque Novel Meg. Owned & Bred by: Jacqueline A. Moore. CH Luminesque's In My Red Dress (B) CH Pufpride Sweet Dreams x Dhcrew Luminesque Novel Meg. Owned & Bred by: Jacqueline A. Moore. CH Noah Of Lenette (D) CH Mac's Frankly My Dear x Anissina Of Lenette. Owned & Bred by: K. G. Griffith.

CH Razzle Dazzle Hat Dance (D) CH Traditions Legend Of Oakridge x Chriscendo Call Girl. Owned & Bred by: Judith B. Green.

CH Rise N Shine's He's A Hottie (D) CH Cheyennes Kodiak Bear Second x CH Rise N Shine's Leading Lady. Owned & Bred by: Julie Clemen.

CH Ruffgaates Flicker In Time NJP (D) Gatekeeper's Just-In-Time x Finch's Mystical My Molly. Owned by: Heather L. McKim & Barbara Krzewicki. Bred by: Lynda Willis.

CH Showin's Howdoya Like Me Now (D) Sho-Win's The Keno Kid x Mitzi's Wonderful Wolfee. Owned by: Lori Ann Solomon & Roxanne Mellem. Bred by: Barbara Raymond.

CH Silhouette's Slow Dance (B) CH Foxworth Fast Lane x Razzle Dazzle Bluegrassmusic. Owned & Bred by: Elizabeth Heckert & Judith B.

CH Starlights Simon Says (D) CH Jan-Shars Hail To The Chief x Jan-Shars Martina McBride. Owned & Bred by: Ron Smith, Merlyn Smith, Deronda Sharp & Derrik Sharp.

CH Tim Sue's Small Talk (D) CH Jeribeth Mostly Tim Sue x Tim Sue's Traces' Trinket. Owned & Bred by: Sue Goddard & Tim Goddard. CH Weewyn's Double Ooh Seven (D) CH Weewyn's A Walk In The Park x CH Finch's Steal'n The Show. Owned & Bred by: Cathy Anderson.

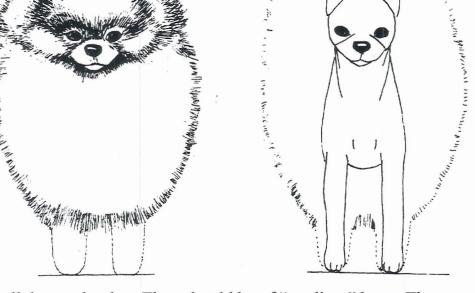
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When viewing the Pomeranian from the front, it may be difficult to determine what is actually under the coat. Crooked legs can be trimmed straight, and a lack of body can easily be hidden from your view under an abundance of coat. It is important to feel the dog underneath the coat to know

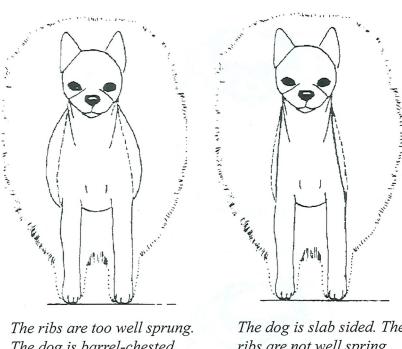
what is really there.

The ideal front structure viewed from the front.



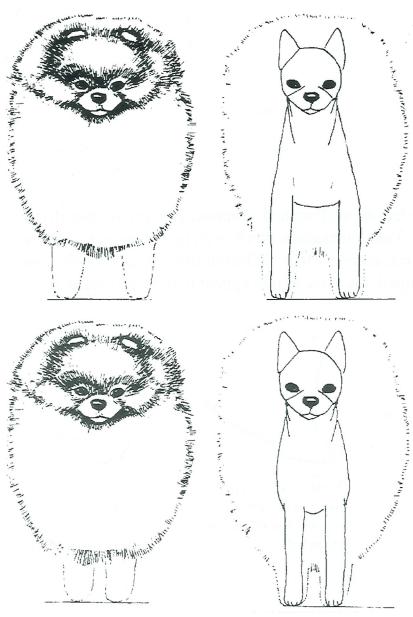
The legs should be straight and parallel to each other. They should be of "medium" bone. There may be some question as to what "medium" bone is. If you were to compare two Poms, one may appear to have fine bone while the other, heavy bone, but this may simply be appearance. Some lines carry thick leg coat, while others carry less. The two dogs may in fact have the same amount of bone, but a different amount of coat. Some people prefer to leave it on. The trimming of the coat on the legs is a personal preference. Feel the leg. What you do not want is a Pom with very fine bone or heavy bone, i.e. medium bone.

The Standard asks for a body that is "well ribbed". From this it can be determined that we are looking for a dog that is neither "barrel chested," where the rib cage is shaped like a barrel, nor one which is "slab sided," where the ribs fall in an almost straight line down to the chest. The correct chest allows for shoulder assembly to function efficiently.



The dog is barrel-chested.

The dog is slab sided. The ribs are not well spring



Often puppies or young dogs are somewhat slab sided, a symptom of immaturity. This is more desirable than being barrel chested because as a dog matures, it will usually develop more chest and may reach the desired development when mature. However, a barrel chested puppy will undoubtedly end up being a poor moving adult. Unfortunately judges must evaluate the dog on the day. Sometimes an immature dog will lose to an inferior, but more mature adult.

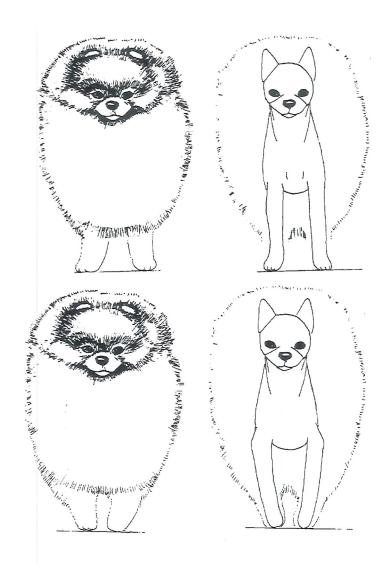
The chest is too wide.

The chest is too narrow.

TOEING OUT

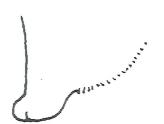
Both the faults of a too narrow chest and of toeing out may be found in the same dog and can be a sign of immaturity.

Elbows should lie flat and close to the body. You should be able to run your hands down the shoulders, straight down the legs and not feel the elbows sticking out.



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The feet are well arched, compact and turn neither in nor out. The Pomeranian stands well up on his toes. This is a correct, compact foot. When in full coat and the feet are trimmed, the Pom should appear to have no toes at all.



The foot here is oval and not compact.



The foot is flat.
The toes are long.

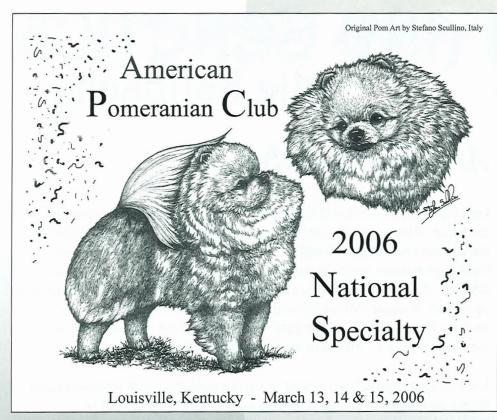


Down at the pasterns is a major fault in this breed, so good feet should be rewarded.



Be careful that the shoulders are not so straight as to cause the dog to knuckle over as shown here. The dog will appear to be falling forward!

Next issue: Fronts Continued.



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SHOW SITE: Executive Inn, 978 Phillips Lane, Louisville, KY, Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday, March 13, 14 & 15, 2006

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Executive Inn, 978 Phillips Lane, Louisville, KY 40209-1399. Reservations Phone: 800-626-2706 or 502-367-6161. Room Rate is \$85.00 plus tax per day, you may reserve a king or double room for this rate, 1 to 4 guests per room. There will be a \$75 refundable pet deposit. Reservations must be made no later than February 10, 2006 to guarantee this rate be sure to mention that you are with APC.

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Sunday, March 12

Volunteers needed

Board Meeting Grounds, Exhibitor & Vendor Set Up Hospitality

Monday, March 13

Puppy Sweepstakes Veteran Sweepstakes

APC Seminar

Costume Contest

Tuesday, March 14

Rally Trial

Parade of Titleholders Junior Showmanship

All Regular Conformation Class Dogs All Non-Regular Conformation Classes Annual APC Membership Meeting Wine & Cheese Get Together

Wednesday, March 15

All Regular Conformation Class Bitch Classes All Best of Breed Competition Judges Education Seminar Obedience Trial Awards Banquet & Auction

ATTENTION EXHIBITORS, BREEDERS & HANDLERS:

APC Is now accepting bids for the Front & Inside Front Cover of the 2006 National Show Catalog. The Front Cover will display a colored picture of your Pomeranian along with his full name, the Inside Front Cover may be used to further advertise the Cover Pomeranian or to advertise a different Pomeranian in your kennel.

If you wish to place a bid for the Cover Ad mail or email your bid to; Cindy Boulware, 6450 Rolling Heights Cir, Kaufman, TX 75142, lovencountry@peoplepc.com . Bids will close December 31, 2005.

A drawing for the 2006 Catalog Colored ads (Centerfold, Inside Back Cover & Outside back cover) was held at the Summer National in Ohio, the following persons were the winners. COLORED CENTERFOLD AD: Sandra Johnson, N 6603 Forest Ct, Holmen, WI; INSIDE BACK COVER: LAURETTA FLYNN, 6930 Princess Lane, Avon, IN; OUTSIDE BACK COVER: Darrell & Olga Baker, 4916 43rd Street, Dickinson, TX

HEALTH AND GENETICS Julie Kallbacka



Are You Ready?

I am writing this while still reeling at the reports of the devastation left in the wake of hurricane Katrina while also listening with much trepidation to the reports about Rita. Needless to say it has me and I suspect most of us thinking what can we do to assure the safety of our pets in the case of a disaster. As most of you may already be aware, in the event of a natural or man made disaster that would require the use of emergency public shelters, such shelters will NOT allow pets inside. So making sure you have a plan for your animals is critical to insure the survival of your pets.

Each animal should have a crate or carrier equipped with food and water dishes and ready to go at a moments notice. The crate should be

permanently marked with the pets name, microchip information, (make sure the chip registry has your current information) current rabies vaccination information, owner's name and any medical information, including prescription drugs and dosages your pet is taking. This can assist rescue workers in saving your pet and reuniting you in the event that you and your pet become separated. Make sure you pet is familiar with and comfortable in the crate before the crate is needed in a crisis. It is also a good idea to attach a loop type leash that can quickly and easily be slipped around the animal's neck if/when it must be removed from the crate.

Each member of the family should maintain their own personal emergency kit. Have copies of your own ID, as well as other important papers in your kit. Keep copies of these papers in your car as well as in your emergency travel kit. It is also a good idea to keep copies of these in a safe deposit box in case the other copies are lost. Your kit should contain a change of clothing, an all weather insulated blanket that can reflect sun and heat as well as keep in warmth, a sweatshirt, hoody or other jacket that can be put on or off as needed and which does not take up a lot of space. A rain slicker, sturdy durable shoes that will hold up if one must walk to safety. Each individual's kit should also contain a flashlight with extra batteries, a small battery operated radio with extra batteries, several days supply of any critically needed prescription medications such as asthma inhalers, insulin/diabetes medications, heart medications, etc. These kits should also include scissors, a knife, a full water bottle, protein bars/jerky/dried fruit or other nonperishable foods, a can opener, adhesive bandages, Vetwrap type flexible bandages, antiseptic, stop bleed, aspirin, Tylenol, antihistamines in case of insect bites, needles, thread, soap, hand sanitizer, disinfectant, rubber gloves, wetwipes, tissues/toilet paper, toothbrush, other personal hygiene items as may be required, plastic bags, matches and/or lighter in a water proof container, a Leatherman type multi tool, pen, paper, a map of your local area, emergency phone numbers, including the contact information for your family's contact person, a book and/or deck of cards and other items that you feel could be useful in an emergency. Each individual kit should be updated regularly.

I also maintain a kit specifically for the dogs. Many of us who show maintain such kits already. We call them tack boxes, but for an emergency kit trim out the grooming and show paraphernalia which will make the kit more portable. Both human and canine kits should be easily accessible and ready to go on a moments notice. Remember that in an emergency people often forget things that they otherwise know readily such as phone

numbers. So write down and carry with you any information that could be needed but might be forgotten in the stress of an emergency.

Disaster planning experts recommend that you secure in interior room of your home, one without windows, and stock it with emergency supplies. In addition to the items listed for the personal kits, the safe room should be supplied with water to last each family member 72 hours. The Office of Homeland Security recommends a gallon of water per day per person. The amount needed for pets would of course be dependant on the size of the pet. The OHS also recommends keeping a supply of water in your vehicle in case you become stranded during an evacuation attempt. Emergency food rations should also be included in your emergency safe room as well as your vehicle. Canned and dry foods are good choices to stock in your safe room and vehicle. Fire extinguishers, flares, sleeping bags, tape and rolls of plastic are other useful items to keep in your safe room or car. Sporting goods stores and military surplus stores carry items for purifying water as well as other supplies that could be useful in stocking your safe room and vehicle.

It is important that you and your family have an emergency contact person who lives well away from your area and who is not likely to be affected by the same disaster that you might find yourself in. Discuss the responsibilities that this person will have, should disaster strike, well in advance of such disaster. Make sure this contact person has information about you families whereabouts during the course of a normal day and that the person has contact information for each member of the family. This person should have basic health information about each family member including your pets, a list of medications for each person and pet. This person should also have contact information for physicians and veterinarians as well as local emergency numbers.

Each family member should always carry with them the name address and phone number of the contact person and should be instructed to contact this person as quickly as possible if separated from the family during an emergency. This can mean the difference between a lengthy worrisome separation and knowing that your loved one is safe and will be reunited with you as soon as possible. This contact person will act as a liaison between other family members as well as emergency and rescue personnel. This person will coordinate and relay information that will facilitate reuniting your family members as well as keeping you informed of important information.

Another very important point that pet owners must keep in mind is the fact that disaster areas are breeding grounds for disease. Make sure your pets are current on vaccinations, particularly rabies. For those who are worried about the routine vaccination for diseases such as distemper and parvo, it is advisable to have titer levels done on your pets as advised by your veterinarian in order to be sure they are still protected from these diseases.

Animal lovers must remember that pets can carry and transmit diseases to human, so extreme caution must be used when approaching unknown animals in a disaster area. Stray animals in a disaster area may have been exposed to any number of zoological diseases and they may also be carrying parasites that could transmit deadly diseases such as plague to the humans who might try to help them. Make sure your pets are as protected as possible from becoming ill themselves or becoming potential vectors for causing illness in humans.

If you must evacuate your home and leave your pets behind, make sure the pets are in an interior above ground room and not confined to their crates. Leave them with plenty of food and water (perhaps fill the bathtub to provide them with water). Affix a sign to the door stating that there are pets within and if possible leave a list of the animals names, any health problems they each may have and the medications that each much take. If possible leave a supply of medications in the room but out of reach of the pets.

While I hope that none of us have to experience an disaster situation at all, especially one that would require us to leave our pets behind, with some planning we can insure the greatest chance of survival for both our human and animal family.

CONSIDERATIONS FOR DOG BREEDERS

By Geneva Coats

Genes are the factors, which determine the inheritance of characteristics from parents. Every trait that is present in a dog, from his personality to his structure to his physiologic functioning, has its basis in genetics. Health disorders can be produced in a breeding program, which range from mild to severe. A breeder must prioritize and work to eliminate the problems, which cause the most pain and suffering.

When a genetic disorder is suspected, there are four questions, which must be addressed:

- 1. Has a genetic origin of the problem been verified?
- 2. What is the incidence of this problem?
- 3. What is the mode of inheritance?
- 4. How can recessive carriers be identified?

To verify a genetic basis for a disorder, other causative factors for a condition must be ruled out. While in the uterus, were the puppies exposed to drugs, chemicals or infectious bacteria or viruses? Did uterine crowding or lack of amniotic fluid cause a physical deformity? Overdoses of vitamins and minerals in the diet have been proven to cause a variety of problems, such as cleft palate, heart defects and skeletal anomalies. Seizures have a wide variety of causes, including infection, low blood sugar, calcium imbalances, and birth trauma. Most disorders present at birth are isolated cases with little hereditary significance. However, if the problem appears again when one of the parents is bred to a different mate, or if the problem surfaces again in succeeding generations, then a genetic linkage must be considered. The unthinking assumption that all health and birth abnormalities are genetic in origin can be dangerous. Many veterinarians will take the easy route of blaming all health concerns solely on genetics. This is unfair and unfortunate. Irreplaceable bloodlines and the pride and morale of a breeder can be

damaged by thoughtless dismissal of causative factors for disease.

A trait, which occurs among members of the same family, can be due to shared genes, shared environment, or a combination of genes and environment. Relatives are often exposed to the same environmental factors, such as climate, diet, stress, vaccinations, and toxic plants or chemicals. Research in every situation is necessary. For some health problems, the causes remain undetermined. Weigh the evidence before blaming parents and related bloodlines. However, it is imperative to be realistic, and not blame all congenital disorders on environmental causes.

Incidence of a genetic problem in a certain breed may be difficult to accurately assess. Information in health registries is limited, as information sent to registries is usually on a voluntary basis. Sometimes breeders only submit their "good" results to the registries and databases, or they may submit no results and use their information only for their personal breeding program. Although information through registries may be limited, it is surely much better

than no information at all. Information from registries can be invaluable to new breeders. Knowledge of the extended pedigrees of breeding stock is necessary and should be kept on record. Notate both depth of pedigree (looking back at ancestors) as well as breadth of pedigree (looking at siblings and cousins in the pedigree). Keep in touch with your puppy buyers to know what health problems you may be producing.

The mode of inheritance of a condition affects a breeding plan. Dominant traits are always evident, and easily eliminated by excluding affected animals from breeding plans. Recessive traits can lie undetected for generations. Unfortunately, the genes responsible for many genetic problems are recessive. Some diseases are produced through the interaction of several different genes. This type of disease is labeled polygenic, meaning that it requires multiple gene combinations for expression. Recently, there have been great strides in identifying genetic markers and the carriers for some diseases. Genetic markers have been found for approximately 15 different breed-specific diseases, including PRA,

Letter From The Editor

Letters To The Editor

As you go through this issue you will read stories of sorrow and heartship across our great land, whether weather related or grief from death. As we reflect the approaching climax of another year in history, let us give thanks for the freedom we share in the USA and make time to love and enjoy our family, friends and Poms.

Pomeranians are eager to show their gentle love, devotion and affection. They never nag, get mad or sit and pout. They don't hold grudges or keep tabs of our failures. They don't remind us of our forgetfulness or weaknesses. They never ask, "Where are you going?" or "Why are you doing that?" They don't complain about the type of food they eat or our cooking. Never has a Pom fussed how the furniture is arranged or about the housekeeping. Poms don't care if an outfit makes you look fat. Poms allow you watch your favorite TV channel and never tries to control the remote. Poms are always thrilled to see us even if we return home later than expected. If only we would imitate a few of our Pom's virtues, how much better life would be. *Brenda Segelken*

I just wanted to say that I enjoyed reading Ken Griffith's thoughts on the Pom Standard in the last issue. I totally agree with him in what he says!

Regards, Marie Wixstrom Little PomPom's Kennel Sweden

I was very pleased to read Danielle Sartain's viewpoint on the standard. I am impressed with how much she has learned in her short time in the breed. I think it would be interesting to read more of these viewpoints.

Char Meyer Char's Poms

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Von Willebrand's Disease, and copper toxicosis. However, this is a relatively small amount compared to the number of diseases that exist. An exciting prospect for the future is gene splicing and recombinant technology, which could eliminate many genetic problems.

Further complicating the picture is the fact that some disorders which appear later in life may be acquired rather than genetic in origin. Some cardiac diseases, musculoskeletal problems, epilepsy, cancers, autoimmune diseases and eye disorders can be caused by injury, toxins, or infection during the course of the dog's lifetime.

Most breeders are in agreement that affected dogs should not be bred. All breeds carry recessive genes for various health problems. For many health problems, no genetic test to determine carrier status currently exists. In the absence of a specific genetic test, identification of carrier status can be difficult to determine. If a dog produces

a certain health condition in progeny with mates of different bloodlines, and environmental factors have been ruled out, a carrier status may be presumed. If carriers for recessive traits are identified, the next question is, should they be eliminated from a breeding population?

When dealing with common breeds involving large, diverse gene pools, identified carriers can be eliminated with small risk of adversely narrowing the gene pool. In breeds with a small gene pools, as is the case with many pure breeds, elimination of identified carriers may not be the best strategy, as genetic diversity would become dangerously compromised. A genetic bottleneck can also occur when culling severely a trait that is widespread throughout a breed. One plan used by many breeders is to breed identified carriers only to individuals who test clear of a condition. This would eliminate producing affected individuals, while maintaining the

genetic diversity of the breed. The idea here is to gradually decrease the percentage of carrier dogs via selection down through the generations. This approach requires honesty on the part of the breeders and a willingness to work together. Asking breeders to eliminate suspected carrier dogs is asking them to throw the baby out with the bathwater. Working with them to help reduce the incidence of heritable health problems may require more patience and tolerance, but will ultimately improve the health status of your breed. And that is a goal we can all agree upon.

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I welcome your comments: coatcloset@msn.com

Michigan Pomeranian Club Specialty



Goodells, Michigan Sept 17, 2005



Report by Donna Machniak

The Michigan Pomeranian Club Sweepstakes was judged by Mr. Laurie Johnson from Oakham, MA.

Best Junior In Sweeps Char's Strike 'N Gold - Char Meyer

Best of Opposite to Best Junior DreamWeaver's First Light - Mike L Liz Wells L Linda Pelz

Best Senior in Sweeps Wee Hearts Excuse Me - Laurie Otis

Best of Opposite to Best Senior in Sweeps CH. Horizon-N-Janesa Indian Sundown - L Otis

Best Veteran in Sweeps CH Jan-Shars Dudly Doright - Becky Sabourin

Grand Sweepstakes winner Char's Strike 'N Gold - Char Meyer

Regular classes were judged by Mrs. Charlotte Patterson

Puppy 6-9 mo winner Char's Strike 'N Gold - Char Meyer

9-12 mo Double K Waco Kid - Kay I Kurt Fanson

Bred By Horizon Purple Haze - Laurie Otis

Am Bred Carma's James Colburn - Mary Ann Cargo

Open BBB Sapphires Night Move - Beth Shattuck

Open ROCS

Pixie's Hot Lips - Carol Galavich, Donna Megenhardt, Evelyn Newyear

AOAC Finch's All the Right Moves 11 - Danielle Sartain, Linda Yax

Winners Dog - Double K Wacko Kid Reserve Winner - Horizon's Purple Haze

6-9 Puppy Bitch Animation's Rocket J Squirrel - Lorinda Vasuta & Darren Lane

9-12 mos Bitch Trudy's Club Paris - Nancy & Bob Coddington

12-18 mos Bitch WeeHeart's Excuse Me - Laurie Otis

Bred By Exhibitor Trudy's Hugs and Kisses - Nancy & Bob Coddington

Open BBB Tisha's Aspiration - Fred L Pat Dieball

Open ROCS
Jolvin Opaline Sweet as Sugar - Mel, Joan Beach & Ann Simmons

AOAC
Finch's Char's Kiss N/Tell Parti - Char Meyer

Winners Bitch - Jolvin's Opaline Sweet As Sugar Reserve Winner - Animation's Rocker J Squirrel

Best of Breed/Best Of Winners - Double K Wacko Kid

Best Of Opposite Sex - Jolvin's Opaline Sweet as Sugar



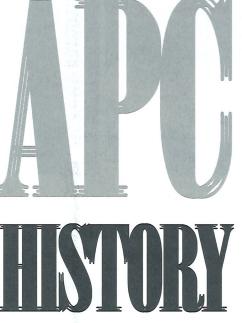
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Report By Sally Baugniet



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2004, 2005

THE DELEGATES DEPARTMENT By Bert Bedell (October 1970 Pomeranian Review)

The summer vacation period does not as a rule afford much news for our column, the present year being no exception. We are therefore afforded an opportunity to reflect upon a matter of vital concern to all who breed, show and sell Pure Bred Dogs. The writer of course is concerned about this condition and the effect that it has upon the finest of all Toy Breeds, our Pomeranian. It is understood that the condition is also of concern in Feline Circles as well.

Recently, on a visit to the world's largest airport, I was surprised at the volume of incoming crates filled with dogs arriving from every part of our country. The shipping tags of each were in effect similar: FROM: JOHN Q. BREEDER, ANY KENNEL, U.S.A. TO: XYZ PET SHOP, CUT RATE PLAZA, ANYTOWN. Among the crates was one containing Pomeranians shipped to a local pet shop from a breeder in a western state. After a few days the Poms were found in the consignee Pet Shop offered for sale at \$125.00. They were advertised as having all inoculations, having replacement guarantees and with AKC papers.

Using simple arithmetic, it is reasonable to assume that shipping costs, rent, heat, light and all other Pet Shop operations, Veterinarian Fees, along with consistent large scale advertising, would add up to a good bit of money coming from the sale price. The Pet Shop stays in business because of profit realized from sales. What, may I ask, dear reader is the amount paid to the breeder? From fairly reliable sources the amount paid the breeder in this instance was not over \$40.00.

Now we are concerned with correction of this condition if we as honest and reliable breeders are to survive. We have a right to concerned about the basic quality of Pomeranians being offered to the American public. We have a right to be concerned with competition in our business as it concerns the Puppy Factories. It is safe to say that breeders who sell to the Cut Rate Market are breeding their bitches as fast and as often as the bitches can whelp.

We learned from authoritative sources in the American Kennel Club that they are concerned with the Puppy Shop operations. They state, however so long as the Puppy Shops keep adequate records, identifying the dogs they sell that there is not much that can be done about the condition. AKC is also of the opinion that there are good and bad in both Puppy Shops and among breeders. The education of the buying public by breeders of good repute and integrity is believed by AKC to be the best answer to the problem.

In the opinion of the writer the answer is as clear as ABC. A Strong Organization of Pure Bred Dog Breeders is most logical. AMERICAN BREEDERS COUNCIL, INC. seems like a good suggested name. Such organization would have a membership of carefully chosen breeders, dedicated in every respect to the improvement of their breed(s). Such an organization could advertise and properly educate the American Dog Lovers of the reasons for purchase of the dog of their choice, from a reputable breeder. The organization could afford a place for breeders to advertise their present stock and also expect litters.

Such collective effort, which could be realized, would afford the strength and opportunity to combat the evils, which plague our Pure Bred Dog business. The writer intends to submit this idea the Board of Directors at the September meeting. It would be rewarding to receive comment and constructive ideas and opinion. Remember, you saw it in the Pomeranian Review. October 1970

New Canine Influenza

Every year brings rumors of a new parvo or new kennel cough. This past September you might have received email reports of this new Canine Flu. Unfortunately, its existence is substantiated.

The New Canine Flu, which has killed so many Greyhounds, is now in the domestic dog population. There is no prescribed, documented treatment and no vaccine. It has jumped species by feeding Greyhounds raw horsemeat that was infected with horse influenza. Horse influenza is avian flu, which jumped species from birds to horses. The indications are that there may be a potential cross contamination problem for humans. It is deadly. The CDC (Centers for Disease Control and Prevention) is watching this disease. The domestic dog population is at present risk and show populations are now infected. The majority of veterinarians have never heard of the disease. It is not kennel cough but does mimic it.

The period of incubation is 2-5 days. It is airborne. It can be transmitted by inanimate objects and clothing. Virtually all exposed will contract. The morbidity is 80% with 20% being sub clinically affected and shedding the virus. The course of the disease is four weeks. There are two forms, the milder and very extreme. Two weeks into the viral disease the dog looks like he is getting over the cough and then bacterial infections become an acute problem. Often the owner has reported the dog is well, only to find that a short time later an acute bacterial infection has taken over the dog in a matter of hours. The owners think the disease has run its course only to learn it hasn't really gotten started yet, so dogs are dying needlessly often due to pneumonia complications.

Earlier rather than later treatment with broad-spectrum antibiotics is the best way to treat the disease. With proper vet care, it is hoped that there will only be a mortality of 1-5%.

Vets need to know this is not kennel cough so they will not utilize conventional kennel cough vaccine while ill (this is contraindicated), and that they will monitor beyond the two-week period.

For more information (or to refer your vet), a link to the FLA Veterinary Alert and Advisory, which was put out by the FLA VET MED ASSOC. at the request of the State Vet., is http://www.fvma.com/ Click on FVMA EMERGENCY ALERT CANINE INFLUENZA VIRUS

Now is the time to rethink your vaccination program

December is a good month to usually update your vaccination programs. It generally happens that most females are mid-season. But this year it is even more timely an issue. First, although there isn't any vaccination available to prevent the new Canine Flu, one rationale for updating other vaccines is to give your dogs a more favorable change of warding off this disease by their not having their resistance lowered by other preventable illnesses.

But there is even a more likely reason to worry about canine communicable disease this year. Hundreds and hundreds of rescued animals from the Katrina and Rita storm areas have been flown and distributed to foster homes all over the US. These animals have been stressed and housed in crowded, cramped conditions. That equates to disease outbreaks.

The old saying certainly applies here, "An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure."



Pomeranian Club of Greater Des Moines, Inc.

September 9, 2005

The week of our September Specialty started with the news our show site had been taken over by the Governor of Iowa and was filled with 1,000 cots waiting for the arrival of 1,000 refugees from Hurricane Katrina. The Des Moines Kennel Club was busy looking for another location. It was decided the show would go on. The Show Superintendent came prepared with tents that would be used on the racetrack at the fairgrounds. As the temperatures were forecasted in the upper eighties, it was not the best prospective location.

Luck was with us as the refugees decided Iowa was not where they wanted to live. Thursday morning the cots were removed and the rings were set up. We had a lot of observers as the National Guard, Highway Patrol and local Church Groups were at the fairgrounds. On Friday morning 24 refugees arrived and were taken to Des Moines homes and hotels, sponsored by local churches.

So our show went on, even with the confusion of that week. Only two dogs were absent and that was because of car troubles. Our auction was a huge success. We had lots of donations and we made over \$700.00. Thanks to all who donated and purchased the unique items our members and friends contributed. Participating, by donations and buying helps allow a small specialty club put on shows. Our club has two specialties a year. Again, we thank you.

Following our show our club put on a picnic for all the exhibitors. We always have wonderful food and a very good turn out. I'm proud of the way our club works together and we all get along so well. It makes our shows successful and hopefully makes a good experience for the exhibitors. Love our Poms, Juanita Fiddick



POMERANIANS, Puppy Dogs 6 Mos & Under 9 Mos 1/BSS CHAR'S STRIKE 'N GOLD. BREEDER/OWNER: Charlotte Meyer 2 FINCH'S BETTER IN BLACK. BREEDER: Diane Finch OWNER: Charlotte Meyer

POMERANIANS, Puppy Dogs 9 Mos & Under 12 Mos 1 POWERPOM ETERNITY. BREEDER: Pongsakom Pongsak OWNER: Vinni Jacobsen

POMERANIANS, Puppy Bitches 6 Mos & Under 9 Mos 1 RADAR'S PRETTY AS A PICTURE. BREEDER/OWNER: Fred C. Prince 2 POM ACRES ICE PRINCESS. BREEDER/OWNER: Juanita Fiddick

POMERANIANS, Puppy Bitches 9 Mos & Under 12 Mos 1 ALDEN'S TAME-ME-TAMMY. BREEDER/OWNER: Alden & Janet Domrase 2 POMPUF MIRACLE O'THE PHOENIX. BREEDER/OWNER: Bonnie Hodson, Gwen Hodson

POMERANIANS, Junior Bitches 12 Mos & Under 18 mos 1/OSS LINETREES WHISTERIA LANE. BREEDER/OWNER: Mary Bonnell

BEST IN SWEEPSTAKES - CHAR'S STRIKE 'N GOLD BEST OF OPPOSITE SEX SWEEPS - LINETREES WHISTERIA LANE

REGULAR CLASSES JUDGE: Ms. Sandra Goose Allen

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POMERANIANS, Twelve To Eighteen Month Dogs 1 TIMBEROAK LEVI DUKIN' IT OUT. BREEDER/OWNER: Linda & Byron Eichmeier

POMERANIANS, Bred-By-Exhibitor Dogs 1 BEAVER CREEK GRAND SLAM REGGIE, BREEDER/OWNER: Tina Bottorff & Jane Lehtinen













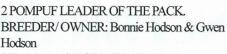












3 KAMALA'S KODIAK MOMENT. BREEDER/OWNER: Kathy Launderville

POMERANIANS, Open Dogs Blk, Bm, Blue 1 FINCH'S SEE ME COMIN'. BREEDER: Diane L Finch OWNER: Charlotte Myer 2 CLASSIC'S CAN YOU SAY HEMI? BREEDER: Pat Gross & Amy Gross OWNER: Roberta Tompkins

POMERANIANS, Open Dogs Red, Orange, Cream & Sable 1/W/BW ACME'S CONSIDER IT DONE. BREEDER: Jeanette Malle OWNER: Mary Allan and Jeanette Malle 2 POM ACRES MR HOLLAND'S OPUS. BREEDER: Dennis Holland OWNER: Juanita Fiddick

3 COTTONTOP MISSOURI GAMBLER. BREEDER: Linda Mulso OWNER: Lee Kraft 4 POM ACRES AIR BUD. BREEDER/ OWNER: Juanita Fiddick

POMERANIANS, Puppy Bitches 6-9 Mos 1 RADAR'S PRETTY AS A PICTURE. BREEDER/OWNER: Fred C. Prince 2 FINCH'S TASTE OF DIAMONDS BREEDER: Diane Finch OWNER: Charlotte Meyer 3 CLASSIC'S KISSIN DYNAMITE

BREEDER/OWNER: Pat & Amy Gross 4 POM ACRES ICE PRINCESS. BREEDER/ OWNER: Juanita Fiddick

POMERANIANS, Puppy Bitches 9-12 Mos 1 ALDEN'S TAME-ME-TAMMY. BREEDER/ OWNER: Alden & Janet Domrase 2 POMPUF MIRACLE O'THE PHOENIX. BREEDER/OWNER: Bonnie Hodson & Gwen Hodson

POMERANIANS, Twelve To Eighteen Month **Bitches**

1/R LINETREES WHISTERIA LANE. BREEDER/OWNER: Mary Bonnell

POMERANIANS, Bred-By-Exhibitor Bitches 1/W/OS PATRIOT'S PRIDE 'N GLORY. BREEDER/OWNER: Lee Kraft 2 BEAVER CREEK MOVIN ON UP. BREEDER: Tina M. Bottorff & Jane Lehtinen OWNER: Tina Bottorff 3 CLASSIC'S LIVE WIRE. BREEDER/ OWNER: Pat Gross & Amy Gross

POMERANIANS, American-Bred Bitches 1 FINCH'S CHAR'S KISS N'TEL PARTI. BREEDER: Owner & Diane L Finch OWNER: Charlotte Meyer

POMERANIANS, Open Bitches Red, Orange, Cream & Sable 1 AC DYNASTY DREAMS OF LION. BREEDER/OWNER: Abel Choi 2 POM ACRES NIKE. BREEDER/OWNER: Juanita Fiddick 3 DAMASCUS ROAD DREAM OF SARASOTA. BREEDER: Beverly A Carter OWNER: Charlotte Meyer

4 ITOBA MISS CONDUCT. BREEDER: Owner & Patricia Murk OWNER: Joyce B Winkels

POMERANIANS, Open Bitches AOAC WEEWYN'S TILLY AT LINETREE. BREEDER: Cathy Anderson OWNER: Mary Bonnell

Best of Breed CH FAME LONE RANGER. BREEDER/OWNER: Brenda Segelken Best of Opposite Sex PATRIOT'S PRIDE 'N GLORY Best of Winners ACME'S CONSIDER IT DONE









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Northern California Pomeranian Club

Reported by Vivian Stark

Results

Regular classes:

6-9 Dogs

1 Maji's Daredevil of Pawegre

2 Cinbow's Shadow Darkness

9-12 Dogs

1 Park Avenue's Shorty Bang Bang

2 Jan-Shar's Code Red

12-18 Dogs

1 La Rajus Just a Parti Animal

Bred By Exhibitor Dogs

1 Larajus Lil Eddie Bowzer

2 Park Ave's Putting on the Ritz

Open Dogs ROCS

1 Lessard's Boisterous Serafina

2 LaRajus Thank God it's Friday

3 Canton Curtain Call

4 Lil Darlins the Need for Speed

Open Dogs AOAC

1 Lil Darlins Irresistible Challenge

6-9 Bitches

1 Jan-Shars Gretta Garbo

2 Precious Amazing Grace

3 Royels Sweet N Sassy Bella Rose

9-12 Bitches

1 Dockiloc's Ima Image of Daddy

2 Mar-D's First Episode

3 Palisades Liberty Belle

Bred By Exhibitor Bitches

1 Townsend Lil Darlins Moulin Rouge

3 Palisades Angel in Waiting

4 Lessards Wannabe Serafina

2 Poms D'Or Chariots of Fire

Specialty

American Bred Bitches 1 Precious Little Jewel

Open Bitches ROCS

1 Belstar's Super Dream

2 Larajus Bohemian Rhapsody

3 Lil Darlins Private Collection

Open Bitches BBB

1 Finch's Time to Shine N Black

Winners Dog Lessard's Boisterous Serafina

Reserve Dog Maji's Daredevil of Pawegre

Winners Bitch Jan-Shar's Gretta Garbo Reserve Bitch Belstar's Super Dream

BEST OF BREED

Ch Starfire's Hello It's El Hottie **BEST OF WINNERS** Lessard's Boisterous Serafina BEST OF OPPOSITE SEX Ch Tokie N Dome Doi The Way You Make Me Feel **BEST BRED BY EXHIBITOR**

Sweepstakes Results Best In Sweepstakes Jan Shar's Gretta Garbo

Best of Opposite Sex Sweepstakes Jan-Shars Code Red

LaRajus Little Eddie Bowser

BEST JUNIOR HANDLER

Justin D. Newbold







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POMERANIAN CLUB OF CANADA 2005 SPECIALTY REPORT

Submitted by Christine Surtees

We started the Specialty weekend on Friday with a "Pom Hospitality" evening at our campsite at Ferrans Park. Bob Gibson was the PCOC Show Chairman.

Marg Bauer, our sweeps judge, is a local Ottawa area Min Pin Breeder who has taken a great interest in Poms over the years. Her Best in Sweepstakes dog was Chris Heartz' handsome boy. Her Bitch choice was one of Brenda Gibson's girls.

Our Specialty judge was Mrs. Jackie Walsh from Middlesex, England. Mrs. Walsh commented on what a lovely range of dogs she had to judge. Her choices were: BIS, BW, BP CHRISCENDO CONNEXION; BOS - FINCH'S SEE 'EM COMIN'

On Sunday, the Booster Judge, Mr. George Heitzman, chose Marie Jacques' CH. FLASHINGSTAR'S TOP HAT AND TAILS for his Best of Breed and Group 1 dog. Larry Fox and FINCH'S SEE 'EM COMIN' went Best of Opposite and Catherine Bolahood's PINECREST'S MY BOY TROY, shown by her husband Wayne, took Best of Winners and Best Puppy.

The raffle for the slate to be painted to order by Chris Heartz was won by Karen Palylyk of Abbotsford, B.C.

Although this may not have been one of the larger entries for the National Specialty we had quality if not quantity in the show ring and everything ran pretty smoothly. I hope everyone enjoyed the weekend and had a safe trip home.

SPECIALTY - Judge Jackie Walsh, Middlesex, England WINNERS MALE CHRISCENDO CONNEXION -Owner/ Breeder. Christine Heartz

RESERVE WINNERS MALE FLASHINGSTAR'S TOP BRASS - Owner/ Breeder Marie Jacques & Harold Hildebrandt

WINNERS FEMALE FINCH'S SEE 'EM COMIN' - Owner Pamela Dodsworth & Larry Fox, Breeder Diane Finch RESERVE WINNERS FEMALE POMAMANIA'S TRIPLE A LICIOUS - Owner/Breeder Brenda Gibson

BEST OF BREED CHRISCENDO CONNEXION
BEST OF OPPOSITE FINCH'S SEE 'EM COMIN'
BEST OF WINNERS CHRISCENDO CONNEXION
BEST PUPPY CHRISCENDO CONNEXION
BEST VETERAN CH. FLUFFALOVE'S GUILTY AS SIN -

Owner Christine Surtees, Breeder Barbara MacCrimmon, H.I.T. JOLVIN'S SPENCER, Owner Thelma MacDonald, Breeder, Joan and Mel Beech

SWEEPSTAKES - Judge Margaret Bauer, Perth, Ontario WINNERS FEMALE POMAMANIA'S TRIPLE A LICIOUS BEST IN SWEEPSTAKE CHRISCENDO CONNEXION

SUNDAY BOOSTER RESULTS - Judge Mr. G. Heitzman BEST OF BREED & Group 1 CH. FLASHINGSTAR'S TOP HAT AND TAILS - Owner/ Breeder Marie Jacques & Harold Hildebrandt

BEST OF OPPOSITE FINCH'S SEE 'EM COMIN'
BEST OF WINNERS, BEST PUPPY & PUPPY IN GROUP
PINECREST'S MY BOY TROY - Owner/Breeder Catherine
& Paige Bolahood

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DER NEWS AND VIEWS PER ORMANCE

by Barbara McClatchey

Tonight's my first night as a watchdog and here it is Christmas Eve.

The children are sleepin' all cozy upstairs, while I'm guardin' the stockin's and tree.

What's that now? Those steps on the rooftop? Could it be a cat or a mouse?

Who's makin' that noise in the chimney? A bearded thief who's robbin' the house!

I'm barkin', I'm growlin', I'm bitin' his ankles. He howls and jumps back on his sleigh.

I scare his strange horses, they leap in the air! I've frightened the whole bunch away!

Now the house is all peaceful and quiet again. The stockin's are safe as can be.

Won't the kiddies be glad when they wake up tomorrow and see how I've guarded the tree!

Author Unknown



EVACUATING

By the time you read this, hurricane season 2005 will be over and done with, but for those of us on the Gulf Coast as I write, it is still very present in our minds. I have just returned from evacuating (needlessly, I'm glad to say) from Rita, and there is another "tropical system" brewing in the Caribbean. Here's the short version of my Excellent Adventure:

On Tuesday, September 20, I saw that the better part of valor would be to pack my (van conversion) mini-motorhome and get out of the way of Rita. Spent time putting in food and water for me and the 6 dogs (including 3 Rescue fosters), enough for 2 weeks, packed up house title and other important papers, sorted out anything in the house that I would really miss (THAT was a learning experience!), and called Linda in Pearland, who was to have had a home visit on Wednesday for her application for Carl and Carlotta. She said she was really sorry we hadn't done it the previous week; she could have taken them with her when she left. I suggested doing the home visit ON MY WAY out. I did, she passed, and I made sure she knew the problems involved. She loved Carl and Carlotta and took them both (I provided a crate for evacuation transportation). I went on with only four dogs.

Tuesday night I spent in the RV park at Trader's Village north of Houston, then on to the RV park in Marble Falls. I called Linda Wednesday night, and she said she really wasn't sure that 2 dogs was such a good idea. I said we would be happy to take one or both of them back after I got home again. She called me on Friday night and announced that I would have to shoot her to get either one of them away from her! A good placement.

And I didn't have to have "stinky Carl" in my motorhome for a week. This dog smells really bad, especially when in a small area; it isn't as bad when he is in a large house. We had his teeth cleaned (of course) when he was neutered, had the anal glands expressed, and I even paid the vet clinic to bathe him, since I couldn't do it with my cast on. But nothing helped. I warned Linda about this, but she doesn't mind. As I said, as long as he's not confined, it's not so bad, and it may diminish with time.

The dogs and I had a view of the Colorado River out the back of the motorhome, and walked down there in the evening when it was cool. Mostly it was too hot and sunny (record temps) to leave our air conditioning. Tiffany managed to talk me into training her once, briefly, but it was really too hot, and the RV park was up and down rather than flat, not good for Rally! I'm glad to be home.

By the way, Oliver offered to write this for me again, since I didn't get my cast off because of evacuating for Rita, but after seeing what he wrote the last time, I declined.

WHAT TO TAKE WHEN YOU EVACUATE

There was a really good article in the <u>Pom Review</u> a year or two ago on what to take when you have to leave home suddenly, all about your important papers, house title, insurance records, birth certificates, registration papers, etc. I'm not going to add to that except to mention some of the oddities I found myself packing. I looked around my home and asked, "What would I really miss if this place were destroyed as homes were in New Orleans?" I had very little packing space what with 6 dogs and supplies for all of us. I did pull out most of my photo albums and wrap them in plastic bags. And I packed just one of my cup-and-saucer collection. The ivory ball-within-a-ball-within-a-ball that had belonged to a grandmother. A few pieces of antique jewelry that belonged to my grandmothers. I keep a Bible and a Shakespeare in the motorhome all the time, but I picked irreplaceable books to take with me, mostly out-of-print children's books (which I re-read during my enforced vacation). And then there was the "dog stuff". I grabbed Oliver's dual set of Utility articles, both the dumbbell-type and the basket/baby shoe kind. And of course his Utility gloves and the two plastic dumbbells. Then there was the set of miniature Rally signs with their tiny plate holders for doing quickie Rally course set-ups. I always keep a copy of the Obedience/Rally Regulations and Rally Sign book in the motorhome anyway. And I took all my judging contracts, in case my phone number and address should change suddenly. You do learn a lot about yourself at a time like that.

SASSY GIRL SHEFFIELD UD By Lisa Sheffield

"The first time I saw Sassy, it was love at first sight. My husband and I were having our daughter's sixteenth birthday at a Misty Hollow Farms in Millington, TN. Jerry and Lisa Tennyson own it and Sassy's mother Pearl. Lisa and I had been friends for a while and she invited me into her house to see some new "babies". Sassy stood out as she was the only cream in her litter. She has two orange sable siblings, one male and one female along with an orange sister. I told Lisa she was mine, if she hadn't already sold her. She said she hadn't. I counted the days until I could pick her up and visited several times in between. I had never heard of obedience training.

"Growing up, I loved watching Lassie and wanted to have a friend like her. So, I decided I wanted to learn how to teach Sassy to be my friend. I asked several of my co-workers who had dogs if they knew anywhere you could learn to train dogs and Dogwoods was recommended to me. So in May of 2000 Sassy and I began our 'date nights'. Needless to say, Sassy was one of the smallest in the beginner class but she had spunk and was a very quick learner unlike her handler. I enjoyed taking Sassy and it made her happy as well.

"In September 2001, Joann Geeslin, our instructor, asked if I was interested in showing Sassy. I had no clue what she was talking about. She explained to me about AKC Obedience trials and told me I should take Sassy to get her CGC at the St. Jude Showcase of Dogs in October. I took her up on it and Sassy passed with flying colors. I also saw my first obedience trial. I thought to myself that I could do that. It didn't look too hard. I worked and Sassy got her CD at the St. Jude Showcase of Dogs in October 2002; showing and placing for all three legs that weekend. I was hooked.

"I moved to the Open class with Sassy, and it took nine months to get Sassy to want to retrieve the dumbbell. She enjoyed jumping the jumps and I enjoyed our date nights so we kept with it. I wanted to get the CDX with her and then quit. I entered her in fall shows and again Sassy got her CDX in three consecutive shows in 2003; placing each time. Isn't that what you are supposed to do? I wasn't confident in myself that I could teach her the utility exercises. But my instructors said that I had taught her all the groundwork for the utility exercises and were confident Sassy could get a UD if I wanted to pursue it. I continued to show Sassy in Open B just for the fun of it. Each show, I would watch the folks in Utility B who made it look so easy. I decided to go for it. I knew that we could do it in three shows just like we did for the CD and CDX.

"I worked and worked with Sassy on each exercise and thought to myself: self, she can do this and so can you. You got her other two titles no sweat so this one will be a piece of cake. So I set my goal to show her in the fall of 2004. Our first show was in September in Hot Springs, AR. This is also was when I first realized you and your Pom play mind games with each other during the utility exercises. You know they know the exercises and it becomes a matter of if they want to do the exercises or not. That is also when you realize you may have an attention deficit Pomeranian. I was introduced to the term 'green dog' at this show. Needless to say, Sassy stood and looked at me like I was invisible on the signal exercise. The judge tells you to relax (like you can) even though you know you just NQ'd. Of course, in Utility

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A it becomes a "training session" but who is training who may be the question. We made it through the article exercises, gloves, and moving stand and then came directed jumping. Sassy loves to jump. So, I sent her out and she didn't sit. The judge told me to send her to the bar jump. She went over the high jump. At this point the judge looks at me and tells me to pick whichever I wanted her jump. Not Sassy's plan. I sent her out and she went promptly to the bar jump, jumped it and immediately turned and stopped and looked me with that Pomeranian grin letting me know she picked the jump. Getting a chuckle from the judge who stated, "She wasn't going to let you pick was she?" Thank God, I had only entered her one day that weekend as we obviously had work to do but I did have her entered in a couple of more shows coming up in October.

"One of those shows was in an outdoor barn in Benton, AR. Not good for newbie up and coming utility Pomeranian. We made it through the signal exercise on the second day of this show and I was feeling very confident that we might have our first utility leg when it happened. I sent Sassy out to get her first article and she was diligently looking for it when a pigeon feather stuck to her little wet nose as she worked the pile. She stood frozen for a moment-looked frantically at me and ran to me for help. Just as I bent down to wipe the feather off she quickly licked her nose and swallowed the feather. Needless to say there were no other problems.

"I was really hoping to get our UD by Christmas 2004, but it was not in Sassy's plan. One show she literally bowed on the down signal. One show she would anticipate the jump. One show got the wrong article. Well, she finally decided to do everything and we got our first leg in Jackson, MS in December 2004. She got first place and was the only dog to qualify. I was very proud of her. We finished her title in Pine Bluff, AR for my Valentine's present 2005; also placing each time. Now we are hopeful for a UDX sometime but Sassy doesn't think I will be able to handle that right now as she decides which exercise she needs me to work harder with her in utility and whether or not she wants to stay sitting on the open stays. Laying down is much easier you know. But she does stay quite well. And she always has that beautiful grin and brown eyes that I cannot possibly get mad at. So I am sure when Sassy decides to, she will get her UDX."

TITLES, WE GOT TITLES!

Sorry, only Agility titles this time, and only through June. Your columnist did not receive other titlest in time to get them in.

AKC OBEDIENCE AND AGILITY

Novice Agility:

Koteri's Skye Guy NA NAJ, 5/30/05, Allison Holloway Frazee, *ILP* Smokie Carebear Slininger NA, 5/22/05, Debra & Michael Slininger Valentine's June Bug NA NAJ, 5/28/05, Miranda & Terri Valentine Novice Agility Jumper:

Ai's Wind Beneath My Wings NAJ, 5/27/05, Darlene Hunt Kiely's Miss Lilly Belle NAJ, 5/22/05, Amanda Kiely Koteri's Skye Guy NAJ, 5/29/05, Allison Holloway Frazee, *ILP* Ursa Minor's Secret Agent NAJ, 5/27/05, Diana Huntress Valentine's June Bug NA NAJ, 5/28/05, Miranda & Terri Valentine Sundown N Janesas Chance Event NAJ, 6/25/05, Camilla Knight Novice Agility Preferred:

Lonestar's Lady Foxy Roxy NAP, 5/1/05, Kylo Murray-Gann Novice Agility Jumper Preferred:

Hot 'N Spicy Cocoa NA NAJ NJP, 5/28/05, Kathi M. Gullace Lonestar's Lady Foxy Roxy NAP NJP, 5/22/05, Kylo Murray-Gann Oh Behave Dobie Boy NJP, 5/27/05, Heather Mckim

Ruffgaates Flicker In Time NJP, 5/29/05, Heather Mckim & Barbara Krzewicki

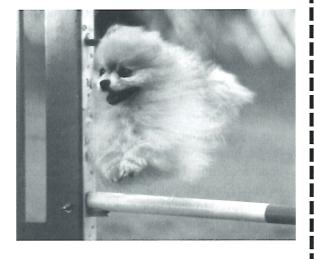
Sundown's Regina Elizabeth NJP, 5/15/05, Janice Smith, *ILP* Open Agility:

Diesel OA OAJ, 5/30/05, Lindsay Harnish, ILP

Lyman's Little Lazer Jet OA OAJ, 5/7/05, Judy Thompson, ILP

Judy writes about Lazer: "My Lazer sometimes has the attention span of a bug, but he has a big fan club in Michigan because of his cuteness! He again humiliated me this weekend by finishing only two of his six runs in Excellent A - when he was done paying attention after a few obstacles and would try to run out of the ring looking for his treats and I told him to "SIT!", he would roll over and look like I was going to beat him! This always causes my agility friends to yell, "Quit beating your dog, Judy!" Then today when he did almost a full course and only ran by a few obstacles and did go over the final jump, he got more cheers than some of the fastest and most accurate dogs. He makes everyone laugh just because of hiscuteness and entertainment value."

Stan's Black Sky Is The Limit OA NAP OAJ OJP, Stan Halifko



Falcon's Autumn Breeze OA OAJ, 6/4/05, Kathryn DeCastro

Poolside Au Naturel OA OAJ, 6/4/05, Susan Major

Open Agility Jumper:

Diesel NA OAJ, 5/29/05, Lindsay Harnish, ILP

Poolside Au Naturel OA OAJ, 6/4/05, Susan Major

Open Agility Preferred:

Pom Acres Atomic Dragonfly NA OAP OAJ OJP, 5/21/05, Lois Morkassel

Lois writes: "August 6, 2005 at 4RK9's UKC agility trial in the Amanas, IA, Flitter finished her UACHX. The UKC Agility Champion Excellent was the highest agility title that could be earned until Aug 1, 2005 when the new rule changes took effect. The requirements for the UACHX are 5 legs out of UAGIII classes under 3 judges with scores of 196-200. There is a combination of equipment used from the UAGI and UAGII classes with the additional challenge of handling the weave poles and table with 6' lateral or send distance and 2 piece of equipment that are designated to be handled with the dog on the right side.

Flitter started on this title Aug 9, 2003. We only have 2 weekends a year that we can try for the UKC agility trials so it took until 2005 to finish. In 2003 she had 4 trials on the first weekend and earned 2 legs, both 200's and first places and 1 was a HIT. In 2004 she had 3 trials on the first weekend and earned 1 leg with a 199 and a first, and 4 trials on the 2nd weekend and earned her 4th leg with a 198 and first place. She finished this year with a 200 and first place. The same weekend that Flitter earned her UACHX, she earned her first U-CD leg. The following weekend at Fort Dodge, IA, she finished her U-CD. Flitter is now: UACHX, UCD Pom Acres Atomic Dragonfly NA, OAJ, OAP, OJP, ThD(e:sv), BPDX, VCC, CGC, UKC HITx2, FFX-AP2, FFX-AG

Iri is working on her UACH and is picking up points to finish that title. (The UKC Agility Champion title requires 100 points based on the dog's score with points awarded to scores of 196-200. The points are earned out of the UAGI and UAGII classes with at least 40 points coming form the UAGII class.) On Sat, Aug 13, 2005 at Fort Dodge, IA, Iri earned High Combined in Agility in trial #1. I was so proud of my little girl! She has had to overcome a lot of problems in showing, not the least of which is a fear of people on the course since she fell off the teeter and was knocked out due to a judge crowding us on the course last spring. Iri is: UAGII PomAcres Iridescent Dragnfly NA, NAJ, ThD(e:sv), CGC, UKC HC, FFX-AG"

Tappy OA OAP OAJ OJP, 5/29/05, Keiko Izumi, ILP

Ursa Minor's Autumn Leaves OA OAP OAJ OJP, 5/29/05, Diana Huntress

Open Agility Jumper Preferred:

Tappy OA NAP OAJ OJP, 5/28/05, Keiko Izumi, ILP

Ursa Minor's Autumn Leaves OA NAP OAJ OJP, 5/27/05, Diana Huntress Agility Excellent:

*Honey's Bouncing Bager Boy AX OAJ, 5/28/05, Lou Ann Groth

Excellent Agility Jumper:

What About Me OA AXP AXJ AJP, 6/10/05, Trudy Kiefer

Excellent Agility Jumper Preferred:

Notorious Tory Borealis NAJ AJP, 5/1/05, Colleen Crowe

Master Excellent Jumper:

Little Miss Turbo CD AX NAP MXJ NJP, 5/29/05, Mona Gitter

Master Agility Excellent Preferred:

Kodiak Bear On Fowler's MT. MXP MJP, 5/6/05, Janet Sankey

Master Agility Champion:

MACH Walters Teasie Tootsie, 5/29/05, Patricia Walters

MACH April May Wicket Moxon, 6/18/05, Todd Moxon & Gail Donaldson

Master Agility Champion 2:

MACH2 Maya Mango She's A Delight, 6/25/05, Betsy Ryba



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Dallas-Fort Worth

POMERANIAN CLUB SPECIALTY

September 23, 2005

By Connie Zieba Photos by John David Zieba

The Dallas-Fort Worth Pomeranian Club held its 46th Fall Specialty Show on Friday, September 23, 2005, in Fort Worth, Texas. The event was truly a momentous occasion as almost insurmountable circumstances threatened to overwhelm the show. The first challenge came from Hurricane Katrina as a large group of displaced citizens of New Orleans were brought to Fort Worth to shelter in the very building the show was scheduled to be held in. A new show location had to be arranged and many concessions to the new area had to be made. Next Hurricane Rita sent 2.7 million residents of Houston fleeing to safety. This included many people who were participating in the Specialty, including Darrell & Olga Baker, Carolyn Crockett, Sue & Tim Goddard, Valerie Humbird, Robert Kennedy, and Virginia Watkins.

Finally the mass exodus and approaching hurricane also affected the travel plans of Houstonian, Erika Moureau, who had been selected as the Regular & Non-Regular Classes Judge. A new judge had to found in a hurry and Mr. Don Sutton graciously answered the call.

Exhibitors Audrey Roberts and Jessie Johnson and their husbands successfully made the grueling journey from Houston to Fort Worth in time for the Specialty, enduring many hardships along the way. John David and Connie Zieba also made it to the show after spending 17 + hours on the road (traveling less than 300 miles).

The Show Committee, Dallas-Fort Worth Club, Judges, and Exhibitors carried on with good humor, strong resolve, and the hospitality they are known for. The resulting Specialty was a wonderful event with beautiful Poms, gracious exhibitors, and warm and welcoming club and committee members. Judge Don Sutton and Sweeps Judge Barbara Moore were friendly, helpful, and delightful to be around.

Sweepstakes Judge, Mrs. Barbara Moore from Paris, Texas, selected Cutiepyes Whizeewig as the Best in Sweepstakes winner. Best of Opposite Sex to Best in Sweepstakes was awarded to Dreamweavers Tiramisu.

The Best of Breed competition was comprised of a large group of truly exceptional Pomeranians. In addition to handsome Winners Dog Ransom N DW Midnight Caper, and adorable Winners Bitch Jeribeth Mini Vini, eight very attractive Specials were in the ring.

Judge Don Sutton awarded CH Celestial's Classic Image with the title of Best of Breed. Monster is a real sweetheart and owner / handler Nancy Reed was thrilled with the honor.

Best of Winners awardee Ransom N DW Midnight Caper is a fun-loving boy who loves to mug for the camera. CH Majestic's Dream Come True was selected Best of Opposite Sex to Best of Breed.

Mr. Sutton finished the show by awarding Best Bred By Exhibitor to DreamWeavers Cracklin Fire and then naming Jeribeth Mini Vini as Best Puppy in Regular Classes.

The trophy table was covered with a beautiful antique table-cloth depicting a hand painted Pomeranian. A splendid arrangement of flowers supplied by Kevin Orr graced the table. Trophies included royal pet feeders, animal print dog beds, and fabulous Pomeranian jewelry boxes handmade by Jackie Hirshberg. The Cookston-Patrick Challenge Trophy was given to the Best of Breed winner as well as a luxurious dog bed and plush dog toys.

Diane Steadman performed the duties of Chief Ring Steward. Diane insured the smooth running of the Specialty and was bright and cheerful throughout. Jackie Hirshberg, Kevin Orr, and Elizabeth & Bobby Pietzsch chaired the committees for trophies, advertising, hospitality, catalog sales, and grounds. They did a fantastic job with everything. Cindy Boulware served as Show Chair and Show Secretary, and serves as President of the Dallas-Fort Worth Pom Club. Cindy was her usual wonderful self, friendly and efficient in every way.

At the conclusion of the Specialty Show, most of the exhibitors and club members proceeded to a nearby restaurant for the traditional after-show dinner. An excellent restaurant called the Blue Mesa was the scene for much socializing and celebrating.

Sherry Dollar, Dawn Freeman, Brenda Heimbach, Jessie Johnson, Bronya Johnston, Carol Kivch, Kevin Orr, Linda Pelz, Bob Pietzsch, Nancy Reed, Annette Rister, and Audrey Roberts stepped into the ring with truly outstanding Pomeranians. It was a pleasure and a treat to watch these fine exhibits being presented.

In the midst of so much stress and worry about Hurricane Rita, the Club managed to hold a truly superb Specialty!

SWEEPSTAKES JUDGE - Mrs. Barbara Moore
Sweepstakes Puppy Dogs, 6 Months & Under 9 Months
1st - DREAMWEAVERS CRACKLIN FIRE
Breeders / Owners Linda Pelz & Michael Wells
Sweepstakes Puppy Dogs, 9 Months & Under 12 Months
1st - CUTIEPYES WHIZEEWIG
Breeder Adrienne Pye
Owners Sue Goddard & Adrienne Pye
Sweepstakes Puppy Bitches, 6 Months & Under 9 Months
1st - DREAMWEAVERS TIRAMISU
Breeders Linda Pelz & Michael Wells
Owners Linda Pelz, Elizabeth & Michael Wells
Sweepstakes Puppy Bitches, 9 Months & Under 12 Months
1st - JERIBETH MINI VINI
Breeder / Owner Olga Baker

BEST IN SWEEPSTAKES CUTIEPYES WHIZEEWIG

BEST OF OPPOSITE SEX TO BEST IN SWEEPSTAKES DREAMWEAVERS TIRAMISU

REGULAR & NON-REGULAR CLASSES JUDGE - Mr. Don Sutton

Puppy Dogs, 9 Months & Under 12 Months 1st - CUTIEPYES WHIZEEWIG

Breeder Adrienne Pye

Owners Sue Goddard & Adrienne Pye

Bred-By-Exhibitor Dogs

1st - DREAMWEAVERS CRACKLIN FIRE

Breeders / Owners Linda Pelz & Michael Wells

American-Bred Dogs

1st - SWEETHEART'S TEXAS TWO STEP

Breeder Kathy Carroll-Hidalgo

Owner Carol Kivch

Open Dogs

1st - RANSOM N DW MIDNIGHT CAPER

Breeder Anna Ransom

Owner Linda Pelz

WINNERS DOG RANSOM N DW MIDNIGHT CAPER RESERVE WINNERS DOG DREAMWEAVERS CRACKLIN FIRE

Puppy Bitches, 9 Months & Under 12 Months
1st - JERIBETH MINI VINI
Breeder / Owner Olga Baker
Bred-By-Exhibitor Bitches
1st - DREAMWEAVERS TIRAMISU
Breeders Linda Pelz & Michael Wells
Owners Linda Pelz, Elizabeth & Michael Wells
Open Bitches
1st - KEEPSTAKES STAR SPANGLED BANNER
Breeder Jessie Klein & Bob Pietzsch
Owner Jessie Klein
WINNERS BITCH
JERIBETH MINI VINI
RESERVE WINNERS BITCH
KEEPSTAKES STAR SPANGLED BANNER

BEST OF BREED CH CELESTIAL'S CLASSIC IMAGE

Breeder Celeste Favilla Solano Owner / Handler Nancy Reed

BEST OF WINNERS
RANSOM N DW MIDNIGHT CAPER
BEST OF OPPOSITE SEX TO BEST OF BREED
CH MAJESTIC'S DREAM COME TRUE
Breeders / Owners A. Rister, C. Creed, B. Turner, & T.
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BEST PUPPY IN REGULAR CLASSES
JERIBETH MINI VINI
BEST BRED-BY-EXHIBITOR
DREAMWEAVERS CRACKLIN FIRE



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Our question for this issue is: What do you use for tearstains on your Poms?

For tearstains, I wash the face and eye area carefully daily with a wet facecloth. For bad stains, I wet a cotton pad (not cotton ball) with Revlon Non-oily Eye Makeup Remover or Maybelline Expert Eyes Non-oily Eye Makeup Remover. Gently soak the area under the eye with the eye makeup remover. Be sure not to touch the eyes. Then wet a clean cotton pad with water and gently rub off most of the dried material. Then I take a flea comb and comb out what is left. You will be amazed a how much gook is there. Then wet another cotton pad with water and cleanse again. Then I take just a dry cotton pad and dry up the area. Voila! Clean eyes. If you do this at least once a week, you will have clean eyes.

I have a white boy and use Shaw's Pretty Eyes Lotion daily. Two weeks before a show, I also use Terramycin ointment (antibiotic) daily. I've been told his eyes look great!

I have had the same problem with my puppies. I took them to my vet and he said it was blocked tear ducts. He checked for this by putting a dye in the eyes and it should have turned the nose green, it didn't. He said it could be fixed but would most likely become blocked again. He suggested to wait the problem out and see if it didn't correct itself as the pups got bigger. In the meantime he sent home some Durafilm Opthmolic drops as a preventative. The drops worked great. I didn't have to do it on a continuous basis, only if the tearing got out of hand. The pups eventually grew out of their tearing problem so the ducts must have opened up enough to allow drainage to the proper location. I didn't go back to the vet to have them rechecked.

You can try Colloidal Silver. It kills bacteria which can cause the eye to drain. Put it in the eye and around the eye. Revival carries it. Use only real colloidal silver. This also works great for puppy mange that they can get on their face.

Make sure your vet does an eye stain to make sure the dog doesn't have clogged tear ducts. How can your vet give accurate diagnoses without a tearstain test? Probably your best bet is to find a certified dog ophthalmologist if your dog has a chronic issue. That's what I would do. Did the vet check for dystocia (ingrown eyelashes) which could also cause eye irritation and excess watering.

Ingrown eyelashes can be removed. There is also entropia where the lid rolls the lashes in towards the eye and this too can be fixed surgically. I have found both of these conditions in Poms. I had one Pom that didn't produce enough tears and had to have drops the rest of her life. There are clogged tear ducts in Poms very commonly which cause runny eyes. This too can be fixed surgically but most do not. It's not a threat to the dog just more of a nuisance. It's a very expensive surgery to fix. Breeders should be aware as it is a problem that can be bred out. A dog with the problem should not be bred to another dog with the same problem. In Poms one must choose your evils when breeding and it's more of a cosmetic issue than a life threatening issue.

On orange dogs we only have to get back to orange. I've found that a little Peroxide on a cotton ball or swab bleaches the dark area under the eye back to orange in about a weeks time if done daily and doesn't irritate the eye if a little gets in it. On white and parti dogs it would not work, it would only turn them yellow.

I use Bausch & Lomb tears and most any kind of eye wipes for cleaning. Put a pinch of Tylan powder in their food each evening. I only do this for the dogs that are showing, or I would put it into the water.

I wash the Pommie's faces with a regular baby wipe, then go down their back, flip the wipe over, down the tummies, and across their fanny's, for a complete quickie bath! I do everyone at least once a week, or when their eyes look goopy, seems the cream Poms need it a bit more often, but that may be because I just notice it more!

Simply use warm cloth each day to wipe eyes. Then use some cornstarch and boric acid powder mixed half and half to pat into stains. Powder will help bleach while absorbing stains. Another solution is 1 T. boric acid powder in 1 c. boiling water. Mix and place in a Rubbermaid container with makeup remover cotton pads. Each day, wipe the eyes with one of the pads. Make a new batch each week to avoid infections caused by bacterial growth. For real tough stains, use the half and half cornstarch/boric acid powder listed above: add water and form into a paste. Apply the paste cautiously on stains and let dry. Once dried, brush off and wipe clean. Be careful not to allow any of the powder to enter the eyes, may lead to an eye ulcer. Boric acid powder can be found in larger drug stores.

For prevention there is a flower essence called eyebright that can be digested by adding it to their food. It only takes a drop or two once a day. I also have had good results from giving an eye lubricant once a day, something like Refresh, but don't use the medicated ones for red eye.

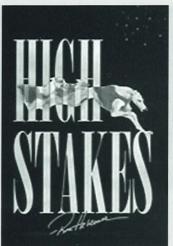
I use veterinary eyewash on them once a day and after hikes, to flush out any allergens. I find a sterile gauze pad works best; no paper lint or cotton fibers to shed into the eye, which can occur with regular facial tissue or cotton balls.

Eye stain remover for dogs

Mix: 1/2 peroxide and 1/2 Woolite
Mix the peroxide/Woolite mixture to 1/2 part water
Use this mixture same as you would dog shampoo. Allow
to sit on the stain 5 minutes. Shampoo out with dog
shampoo.

Our question for the next issue is: What do you do when you encounter the winter/dudley nose?

*Suggestions and techniques in this article are the opinion of each individual contributor. The American Pomeranian Club, Inc. and the Pomeranian Review does not endorse or recommend any procedure or accept responsibility of their use. Always consult a professional, legal council and/or a licensed veterinarian.



Book Report By Joan Behrend

HIGH STAKES by Ron Hevener

Ron Hevener's press introduction to his book, <u>High Stakes</u> reads as follows: "<u>High Stakes</u>, a commentary on the animal rights movement and its threat to today's society, is being called one of the most powerful novels ever written for animal lovers."

When I read that statement, I believed the book would be a long diatribe on where the animal rights movements are failing. I couldn't be more wrong. Ron Hevener wrote an entertaining love story with which to illustrate his views.

The book begins with a hiker finding a seriously wounded greyhound wandering on a mountain. After the dog's recovery, the dog's tattoo number traces him back to a greyhound racing kennel where he had been born. "Clue" had been given to a greyhound rescue group earlier with a promise that they had home for him, and the kennel owners and Clue's new owner try to investigate why he was not placed as promised, but wandering miles away seriously injured.

A wonderful relationship starts, and "Clue's" new owner is introduced to the greyhound racing world, and the animal rights groups and individuals who are against our animal sports.

Ron Hevener uses fiction to illustrate the lengths that PETA, ALF (Animal Liberation Front), and other like groups will go in the name of protecting animals. He illustrates the point that many of these groups are run by fanatics who will not be afraid to harm people, property, or the animals they are professing to protect, just to make a point. In the book, a greyhound racing kennels' coalition has to fight against legislation to shut down their sport, and also fight against acts of vandalism and violence.

The last third of the book is real life reports of the vandalism and violence that we have experienced in the last few years in the name of animal rights. In the dog show world we have seen isolated incidents of this vandalism, and it concerns all of us.

High Stakes can be purchased from the author's website, www.ronhevener.com for \$12.95. While you are there, take a look at the beautiful dog watercolors and ceramics done by the author. An earlier book written by the author is about dog kennels, "The Blue Ribbon" and he has done a line of ceramics of the breeds in the book. He has a ceramic Pomeranians in five different colors and patterns, and a beautiful Pomeranian watercolor, both of which can be purchased on his site.



Futurity Stakes June 25, 2005 Richmond, VA Results Judge: Mr. John Cipollina, Aylett, VA

Puppy Bitches, 6-9 mos., Red, Orange, Cream and Sable:

- 1 STEALURHEART'S ANNIE GETCHA GUN. 09/28/2004. Ch. Chriscendo Call To Arms - Idlewyld U've Got A Friend. Breeder/Owner: Margaret R. Johnson, Sire Owner: Christine Heartz.
- 2 STEALURHEART'S CALL OF THE HEART. 09/28/2004. Ch. Chriscendo Call To Arms - Idlewyld U've Got A Friend. Breeder/Owner: Margaret R. Johnson, Sire Owner: Christine Heartz.
- 3 IDLEWYLD IMPERIAL SCEPTER. 09/30/2004. Ch. Idlewyld Scepter - Ch. Idlewyld Piper Of Lenette. Breeder/Owner/Sire Owner: Margaret R. McKee
- 4 IDLEWYLD IMPERIAL EMBLEM. 09/30/2004. Ch. Idlewyld Scepter - Ch. Idlewyld Piper Of Lenette. Breeder/Owner/Sire Owner: Margaret R. McKee
- 6-9 Months Age Group Winner: STEALURHEART'S ANNIE **GETCHA GUN**
- 6-9 Months Reserve Age Group Winner:

STEALURHEART'S CALL OF THE **HEART**

BEST PUPPY IN FUTURITY: STEALURHEART'S ANNIE **GETCHA GUN**

Junior Dogs, 12-15 mos., Red, Orange, Cream and Sable:

1 - MTN VIEWS LIGHT MY FIRE. 06/20/2004. Ch. Marbil's Games Of Chance - Mtn Views Winter Hope.

Breeder/Owner: Patricia Dague & Roger A. Dague, Sire Owner: Mari Iffland

2 - IDLEWYLD TREASURE COAST. 04/05/2004. Ch. Idlewyld Treasure Trove - Ch. Idlewyld Piper Of Lenette. Breeder/Owner/Sire Owner: Margaret R. McKee

Junior Bitches, 12-15 mos., Red, Orange, Cream and Sable: 1 - SILHOUETTE'S SLOW DANCE. 04/27/2004. Ch. Foxworth Fast Lane -Razzle Dazzle Bluegrass Music. Breeders/Owners: Elizabeth Heckert & Judith B. Green, Sire Owner: Pam Dodson and Larry Fox. 12-15 Months Age Group Winner: MTN VIEWS LIGHT MY FIRE 12-15 Months Reserve Age Group Winner: SILHOUETTE'S SLOW DANCE **BEST JUNIOR IN FUTURITY:** MTN VIEWS LIGHT MY FIRE GRAND FUTURITY WINNER: STEALURHEART'S ANNIE

Specialty B Match Results - June 25, 2005 - Richmond, VA

GETCHA GUN

Judge: Mr. Clayton Mooney, Gaithersburg, MD Puppy Dogs, 3-6 mos.: 1 - ACHILLES HOUSTON WE HAVA PRBLM - Jennifer Munn and Susie Lethchworth 2 - ACHILLES ISN'T IT ROMANTIC - Jennifer Munn 3 - ROWDY - Patricia and Roger

Dague

Puppy Dogs, 6-9 mos.: 1 - ACHILLES FIT TO BE THAI'D - Jennifer Munn

Puppy Bitches, 3-6 mos.:

- 1 REBEL Patricia and Roger Dague
- 2 MATTIE Patricia and Roger Dague

Puppy Bitches, 6-9 mos.:

1 - STEALURHEART'S ANNIE GETCHA GUN - Margaret R. Johnson BEST PUPPY IN MATCH ACHILLES HOUSTON WE HAVA **PRBLM**

BEST PUPPY OF OPPOSITE SEX STEALURHEART'S ANNIE **GETCHA GUN**

Dogs, 12-18 mos.:

- 1 RAZZLE DAZZLE TWO TO TANGO - Judith Green and Ellen Parkin
- 2 IDLEWYLD KEEPSAKE -Margaret R. McKee Bred-By-Exhibitor Dogs:
- 1 MTN VIEWS LIGHT MY FIRE -Patricia Dague and Roger A. Dague Open Dogs:
- 1 BLUEROCK'S HAPPY TALK -Helen Brinn
- 2 RAZZLE DAZZLE HAT DANCE -Judy Green
- 3 IDLEWYLD TREASURE COAST
- Margaret R. McKee

Bred-by-Exhibitor Bitches:

- 1 STEALURHEART'S CALL OF THE HEART - Margaret R. Johnson Open Bitches:
- 1 SILHOUETTE'S SLOW DANCE -Elizabeth Heckert and Judith B. Green
- 2 RAZZLE DAZZLE SOUND OF
- MUSIC Margaret Johnson
- 3 LNQUEST MYSTIC CHARM OF LENETTE - Ellen Parkin
- 4 EMCEE'S LITTLE JEWEL -Jacqueline M. Sanderford BEST ADULT IN MATCH: STEALURHEART'S CALL OF THE HEART - Margaret R. Johnson BEST ADULT OF OPPOSITE SEX: MTN VIEWS LIGHT MY FIRE -Patricia Dague and Roger A. Dague

Veteran Dogs: 1 - FURWEED'S FIRST KING -Helen Brinn

Stud Dog:

1 - RAZZLE DAZZLE HAT DANCE -Judy Green

PCCV - Supported Entry -Charlottesville-Albemarle Kennel Club June 18th, 2005, Charlottesville, VA – Judge Barbara J. Wood

Best of Breed

Ch. Emcee's Mightee Tuffee

Owner: Morris E Carson & Sally A Jenkins, Breeder: Morris E & Betty F

Carson

Best of Opposite Sex

Ch. BlueRock's Talk About Me

Owner: Billie Y Hurst, Breeder: Billie Y

Hurst

Winners Bitch and Best of Winners Luminesque's In My Red Dress

Owner: Jacqueline A Moore, Breeder:

Jacqueline A Moore

Winners Dog

Dimonde's Gem Covered Joker

Owner: Diana M Downey & Clayton R

Mooney, Breeder: Diana M Downey

PCCV – Supported Entry - Virginia Kennel Club, Inc.

June 25, 2005 Richmond, VA - Judge:

Mr. Timothy S. Robbins

Best of Breed

CH Idlewyld Precious Gem

Owner: Margaret R McKee, Breeder:

Margaret R McKee

Winners Bitch and Best of Opposite Sex

Luminesque Journey Thru Time

Owner: Jacqueline A Moore, Breeder:

Jacqueline A Moore

Winners Dog and Best of Winners

Mtn Views Light My Fire

Owner: Patricia Dague & Roger A

Dague, Breeder: Patricia Dague &

Roger A Dague



















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Pomeranian Club of Central Indiana Specialty

October 1, 2005 - Indianapolis, Indiana

The Pomeranian Club of Central Indiana Specialty was held October 1, 2005 in Indianapolis, IN. Our Sweepstakes judge was Mrs. Becky Sabourin and Regular Class judge was Mr. Tim Catterson. We had a wonderful hospitality table, great trophies and an assortment of silent auction items. Thanks to all for your help, and support. The winners are shown below.

SWEEPSTAKES

Judge: Ms. Becky Sabourin

POMERANIANS, Puppy Dogs, 6 months & Under 9 months. 1 CHAR'S STRIKE'N GOLD. Owner: Charlotte Meyer

POMERANIANS, Puppy Dogs, 9 months & Under 12 months.

- 1 HEARTLAND'S UP IN SMOKE. Owner: Wanda Sue Cox
- 2 STARFIRE'S LATIN DANCER. Owner: Frances Stoll & Donna Riehm
- 3 LINRAN'S BOO I AM. Owner: Linda & Randy Nippe
- 4 ALI-MAE'S READY TO ROCK CINMAR. Owner: Cindy Onosko

POMERANIANS, Puppy Dogs, 12 months & Under 18 months

- 1 JAN LAR'S INDIAN OUTLAW. Owner: Janet Wodrich
- 2 CHELANES PEACE KEEPER PARTI. Owner: Elaine Waugh
- 3 PANACHES NEW A'TUVE OF JOY. Owner: Alice P. Craig
- 4 JOAYNE'S KEEPSAKE COWBOY. Owner: Gerro Basinger & Joanne Norris

POMERANIANS, Puppy Bitches, 6 months & Under 9 months.

- 1 HORIZON'S PASSION FOR PURPLE. Owner: Katherine Meany
- 2 SPECIAL D'S IMA LOOK N AT U TOO. Owner: Debbie Hollander

POMERANIANS, Puppy Bitches, 9 months & Under 12 months.

- 1 I WANNA TALK ABOUT ME. Owner: Frances Stoll
- 2 PIXIE'S CARAMEL KISSES. Owner: Carol Galavich, Donna Meganhardt, & Evelyn New Year.
- 3 MARBIL'S IMAGINE THAT. Owner: Mari Iffland & Donna Riehm

POMERANIANS, Puppy Bitches, 12 months & Under 18 months. 1 PHOEBE OF LENETTE. Owner: Lauretta Flynn

BEST IN SWEEPSTAKES

1 HORIZON'S PASSION FOR PURPLE. Owner: Katherine Meany

BEST OF OPPOSITE SEX TO BEST IN SWEEPSTAKES 1 JAN LAR'S INDIAN OUTLAW. Owner: Janet Wodrich

VETERANS SWEEPSTAKES

POMERANIANS, VETERAN DOGS

- 1 CH DHCREW ROCK-N-RUMBLE. Owner: Cindy Onosko
- 2 CH POM MEADOWS CEDAR OF LENETTE. Owner: Laurie Otis

POMERANIANS, VETERAN BITCHES

1 CH MOBETA'S FLUFF BUTT. Owner: Frances Stoll.

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BEST IN VETERAN SWEEPSTAKES CH DHCREW ROCK-N-RUMBLE. Owner: Cindy Onosko

BEST OF OPPOSITE SEX TO THE BEST VETERAN IN SWEEPSTAKES

CH MOBETA'S FLUFF BUTT. Owner: Frances J. Stoll.

REGULAR CLASSES

Judge: Mr. Timothy Catterson

POMERANIANS, Puppy Dog, 6 months & under 9 months.

- 1 KAYRA'S CALIF. DREAM AT TRUDY'S. Owner: Nancy & Robert Coddington
- 2 HORIZON'S PURPLE HAZE. Owner: Laurie Otis

POMERANIANS, Puppy Dog, 9 months & under 12 months

- 1 HEARTLAND'S UP IN SMOKE, Owner: Wanda Sue Cox
- 2 JANESA'S HORIZON CAPPUCINO, OWNER: Jerrie Freia
- 3 LINRAN'S BOO I AM, Owner: Linda & Randy Nippe
- 4 ALI-MAE'S READY TO ROCK CINMAR. Owner: Cindy Onosko

POMERANIANS, Puppy Dog, 12 months & under 18 months

- 1 MARBIL'S DON'T ROCK THE JUKEBOX, Owner: Donna Riehm
- 2 PANACHES NEW A'TUVE OF JOY, Owner: Alice Craig
- 3 JOAYNE'S KEEPSAKE COWBOY, Owner: Gerri Basinger & Joanne Norris

POMERANIANS, American Bred, Dogs

1 HEARTLAND'S KNIGHT N DAY, Owner: Laurie Otis

POMERANIANS, Bred-By-Exhibitor Dogs

- 1 ADAMS THUNDER AND LIGHTENING, Owner: William & Brenda Adams
- 2 JAN LAR'S INDIAN OUTLAW, Owner: Janet Wodrich
- 3 STOLANNE'S WHO'S YOUR DADDY, Owner: Frances Stoll
- 4 LORELANDS MARCHIN TO AUGUST, Owner: Lauretta Flynn

POMERANIANS, Open Dogs Black, Brown, Blue

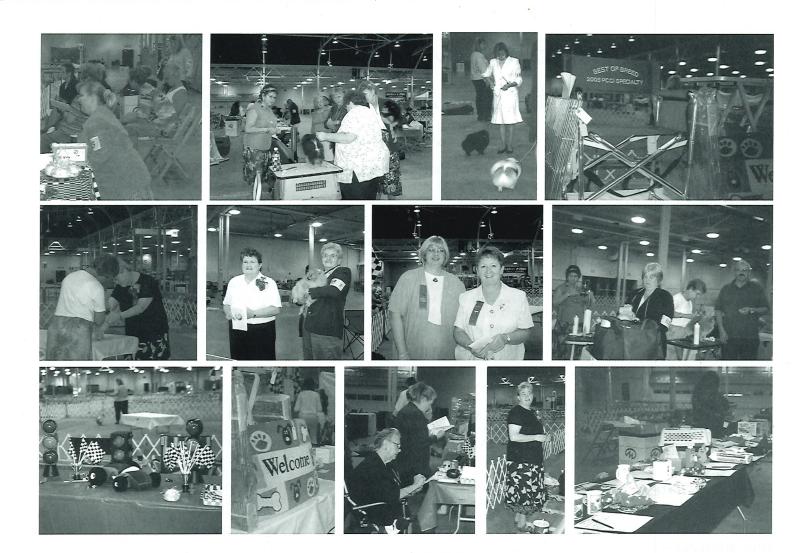
- 1 FINCH'S SEE ME COMIN', Owner: Charlotte Meyer
- 2 BI-MAR'S JAZZING IT UP, Owner: Mary Rosenbaum

POMERANIANS, Open Dogs Any Other Allowed Color

1 CHELANES PEACE KEEPER PARTI, Owner: Elaine Waugh

POMERANIANS, Open Dogs Red, Orange, Cream, Sable

- 1 LIL BOW WOW'S RHYTHM N BLUES, Owner: Angela Gunter
- 2 PIXIE'S HOT LIPS, Owner: C. Galavich, D. Meganhardt, E. Newyear
- 3 COTTONTOP MISSOURI GAMBLER, Owner: Lee Kraft



4 FIREBROOK's SHENANIGAN'S, Owner: Mari Iffland & Mary Wells

Winners Dog FINCH'S SEE ME COMIN' Reserve Winners Dog HEARTLAND'S UP IN SMOKE

POMERANIANS, Puppy Bitch 6 months & Under 9 months 1 HORIZON'S PASSION FOR PURPLE, Owner: Katherine Meany

- 2 SPECIAL D'S IMA LOOK NAT UTOO, Owner: Debbie Hollander
- 3 HORIZON'S LIVE AND LEARN, Owner: Linda Altomare

POMERANIANS, Puppy Bitch 9 months & Under 12 months 1 STOLANNE'S I WANNA TALK ABOUT ME, Owner: Frances Stoll

- 2 TRUDY'S CLUB PARIS, Owner: Nancy & Robert Coddington
- 3 PIXIE'S CARAMEL KISSED, Owner: Carol Galavich, Donna Meganhardt, & Evelyn Newyear
- 4 MARBIL'S IMAGINE THAT, Owner: Mari Iffland & Donna Riehm

POMERANIANS, Twelve To Eighteen Month, Bitch 1 PHOEBE OF LENETTE, Owner: Lauretta Flynn

POMERANIANS, Bred-By-Exhibitor Bitch 1 TRUDY'S HUGS AND KISSES, Owner: Nancy & Robert

Coddington

POMERANIANS, Open Bitch Any Other Allowed Color 1 BRITISH LANE'S IDEA IN MOTION, Owner: Wendy Chambers

POMERANIANS, Open Bitch Red, Orange, Cream, Sable

- 1 ITOBA MISS CONDUCT, Owner: Joyce Winkels
- 2 MNM'S DAWN OF ROCK N ROLL, Owner: Janette Dally
- 3 LORELANDS BIT O'HONEY, Owner: Lauretta Flynn

Winners Bitch TRUDY'S HUGS AND KISSES Reserve Winners Bitch ITOBA MISS CONDUCT

POMERANIANS, Veteran Dogs 6 Years & Under 9 Years. CH DH CREW ROCK-N-RUMBLE, Owner: Cindy Onosko CH POM MEADOWS CEDAR OF LENETTE, Owner: Laurie Otis

POMERANIANS, Veteran Bitch 6 Years & Under 9 Years. CH MO BETA'S FLUFF BUTT, Owner: Frances Stoll

Best Of Breed, Best Of Winners FINCH'S SEE ME COMIN' Best Of Opposite Sex To BOB, Best Bred By Exhibitor TRUDY'S HUGS AND KISSES





POMERANIAN CLUB OF ONTARIO SPECIALTY - 7 AUGUST 2005

SWEEPSTAKES JUDGE MRS. KAREN CRAM

JUNIOR PUPPY DOG CLASS

First - PINECREST'S THE TITAN, Catherine & Paige Bolahood

SENIOR PUPPY DOG CLASS

First - CHIKAI WALK OF FAME AT SAFARI. Judith Belisle

OPEN DOG CLASS

First - FLASHINGSTAR TOP HAT AND TAILS, Marie Jacques, H. Hildebrandt MOUNTAIN CREST DALY SPECIAL, Ann Berryman, David & Carlene Gilstrap CH. FLASHINGSTAR TOP OF THE CLASS, Marie Jacques, H. Hildebrandt CH JENUWANE KOOL RUNNING, Jen Hryniuk

JUNIOR PUPPY BITCH CLASS

First - MONARC'S I'M FOR SHOW ONLY, Shari Shields

SENIOR PUPPY BITCH CLASS

First - POMAMANIA'S WITCHY WOMAN, Christine & Larry Surtees

OPEN BITCH CLASS

First - MTN REST Q'N LATIFAH OF LENETTE, David & Carlene Gilstrap

BEST IN SWEEPSTAKES

CH. FLASHINGSTAR TOP OF THE CLASS, Marie Jacques, H. Hildebrandt

BEST OF OPPOSITE SWEEPSTAKES MTN

REST Q'N LATIFAH OF LENETTE, David & Carlene Gilstrap

REGULAR CLASSES JUDGE MS. ISOBEL KNIGHT

JUNIOR PUPPY DOG CLASS

First - ROSELANE JOHNNY B GOOD, Crystal Reid, Breeder Margaret McConnell

12-18 MONTH DOG CLASS

First - MOUNTAIN CREST DALY SPECIAL, Owners: Ann Berryman, David & Carlene Gilstrap Breeder: David & Carlene Gilstrap. MOUNTAIN CREST FRIDAYS SPECIAL, David & Carlene Gilstrap Breeder/Owners: Ann Berryman (Moved to Specials)

CANADIAN BRED DOG CLASS

CHIKAI WALK OF FAME AT SAFARI, Owner:

Judith Belisle, Breeder: William Ho (Moved to Specials)

BRED BY EXHIBITOR DOG CLASS

First - PINECREST'S THE TITAN, Breeder/Owner: Catherine & Paige Bolahood FLASHINGSTAR TOP HAT AND TAILS, Breeder/Owners: Marie Jacques, H. Hildebrandt (Moved to Specials)

OPEN DOG CLASS

First - SHOWIN'S MIDNIGHT SPECIAL, Owner: Audrey B. Caywood, Breeder: Barbara Raymond, Agent: Deborah Wheeler Second - POMLAND SHERE KHAN BABY TIGER, Frank & Marie Hueston, Breeder/Owner, Agent, Tom Curley

WINNERS DOG - MOUNTAIN CREST DALY SPECIAL RESERVE WINNERS DOG -PINECREST'S THE TITAN

VETERAN DOG CLASS

First - CH. FLUFFALOVE'S GUILTY AS SIN, Owner: Christine M. Surtees, Breeder: Barbara MacCrimmon

JUNIOR PUPPY BITCH CLASS

First - MONARC'S I'M FOR SHOW ONLY, Owner/Breeder: Shari Shields Second - ROSELANE THAT'S MY KIYA, Owner/ Breeder: Margaret McConnell

SENIOR PUPPY BITCH CLASS

First - POMAMANIA'S WITCHY WOMAN, Owner: Christine & Larry Surtees, Breeder: Brenda Gibson

12-18 MONTH BITCH CLASS

First - MTN REST Q'N LATIFAH OF LENETTE, David & Carlene Gilstrap

OPEN BITCH CLASS

First - TAMMY'S IN LOVE OF LENETTE. Owner/Breeder: K. G. Griffith Second - PINECREST'S SHIMMER, Owner/ Breeders: Catherine& Paige Bolohood

WINNERS BITCH - MONARC'S I'M FOR SHOW ONLY RESERVE WINNERS BITCH -TAMMY'S IN LOVE OF LENETTE

SPECIALS

CH. FLASHINGSTAR TOP OF THE CLASS, (Dog) Owner/Breeders: Marie Jacques, H. Hildebrandt CH. PONDSIDE WINGS OF AN

ANGEL (Bitch) Owner/Breeder: Roberta L. Malott CH. JENUWANE KOOL RUNNING (Dog) Owner/Breeder: Jen Hryniuk CH. BAVANEW'S SIR VINCENT, (Dog) Owner: Lynda Woolley, Breeder: Matthew Heindl CH. ROSELANE CHEVY 2, (Dog), Owner/Breeder: Margaret McConnell CH. KRISTARI'S ROYAL FLUSH, (Dog), Owner/Breeder: Christine Warden CH. PINECREST'S ANGELIOUE, (Bitch), Owner: Christine Warden, Breeder Catherine & Paige Bolahood CH. PINECREST JOKE'S ON YOU, (Dog), Owner/Breeders: Catherine & Paige Bolohood

BEST IN SPECIALTY MOUNTAIN CREST FRIDAYS SPECIAL BEST OF OPPOSITE MONARC'S I'M FOR SHOW ONLY BEST OF WINNERS MONARC'S I'M FOR SHOW ONLY BEST PUPPY MONARC'S I'M FOR SHOW ONLY AWARD OF MERIT CH. FLASHINGSTAR TOP OF THE CLASS BEST VETERAN CH. FLUFFALOVE'S GUILTY AS SIN

EXHIBITION ONLY

CH. PONDSIDE CIRCUIT BREAKER, Owner/Breeder: Roberta Malott CH. PONDSIDE HIGH VOLTAGE, Owner/Breeder: Roberta L. Malott

BEST BRACE

CH. ROSELANE CHEVY 2, ROSELANE THAT'S MY KIYA, Owner/Breeder: Margaret McConnell

PARADE OF CHAMPIONS

CH. FLUFFALOVE'S GUILTY AS SIN, Owner: Christine M. Surtees CH. PONDSIDE WINGS OF AN ANGEL Owner: Roberta L. Malott CH. PONDSIDE CIRCUIT BREAKER. Owner: Roberta L. Malott CH. PONDSIDE HIGH VOLTAGE, Owner: Roberta L. Malott CH. SIR VINCENT, Owner: Lynda Woolley CH. KRISTARI'S ROYAL FLUSH, Owner: Christine Warden CH. PINECREST'S ANGELIQUE, Owner: Christine Warden

PARADE OF VETERANS

CH. FLUFFALOVE'S GUILTY AS SIN,

Owner: Christine M. Surtees



Take Precautions to Keep Pets Away From Candy and Tree Lights

Between now and New Year's, the holiday season brings an abundance of family, friends, food, and festivities to many households. But amidst the merriment, it can be a potentially hazardous season for pets. In the spirit of the season, California veterinarians remind pet owners to be extra cautious so the holidays don't send their pooch or kitty to the animal hospital's emergency room.

"The holidays can be a vulnerable time for our furry friends," said Jon Klingborg, DVM, president of the California Veterinary Medical Association (CVMA). "Above all, we want you and your pets to enjoy a healthy, happy holiday season."

To ensure your pet's holidays are safe and carefree, the CVMA offers a few safety tips to keep in mind:

1) Keep all sweets away from pets. Chocolate, in particular, contains theobromine, a caffeine-like ingredient that can be potentially lethal to dogs. Gobbling up too much chocolate can result in vomiting, diarrhea, seizures, and in

severe cases, death. Do not place gifts of chocolate under your tree or on a tabletop where an inquisitive pooch might find them enticing.

- 2) Keep wrapped candy away from pets. Small candies can cause choking, and the crinkly cellophane or aluminum wrappers can lead to stomach obstructions, if swallowed.
- 3) Avoid tying yarn or ribbon around your pet's neck. If you want to dress him/her up for the holidays, buy a festive, seasonal
- 4) Holiday plants particularly poinsettias, mistletoe, holly, and amaryllis - can be toxic to pets. Keep them out of your dog or cat's reach.
- 5) Feed your pet nutritious snacks rather than "treating" them to high-calorie holiday foods. Our pets can put on extra pounds as quickly as we do during the holidays! Also, keep plenty of fresh water available for drinking. Pets should not be allowed to drink Christmas tree water, as it may contain pesticides or bacteria from the tree.
- 6) Keep a careful eye on holiday decorations. All the extra cords for lighting can be tempting targets for chewing by pets. If possible, hide or tape them to the floor to prevent shocks or electrocution. Styrofoam decorations that look like candy or berries can be appealing to puppies, but can cause distressing consequences if chewed and swallowed.
- 7) Christmas trees can become climbing posts, particularly for new kittens. Be sure your tree is secure and stable; consider anchoring it to the wall with fishing line, if necessary. To avoid pets shattering glass ornaments, hang breakable ornaments higher up on the tree. Loose tinsel is

especially dangerous for cats, who consider it a play toy, but swallowing the metallic string can cause severe intestinal distress and damage.

8) If you're traveling for the holidays, bring along your pet's favorite blanket, toy, and foods so he/she feels as comfortable as possible. Bring your veterinarian's phone number with you, in case of an emergency.

If you suspect your pet has consumed any of the items mentioned above, please contact your veterinarian immediately.

Ed: Thanks for the reminder of the dangers of the Holidays with Poms. This reminded me of what happened December 2004.

Christmas was approaching. Tree up, gifts wrapped. I was so thoughtful NOT to put the wrapped boxes of chocolates for my two dear elderly aunts under the tree due to our busy little Poms. But our Ranger is much more selective than I had thought.

While working on the Pom Reviw late one night, a crinkling sound could be heard coming from the living room. I stopped and checked dogs. Most were sleeping quietly at my feet, except our youngest, Ranger.

I called for Ranger and he did not respond, but the crinkling sound subsided. Back to work. A little later the crinkling sound began again. Ranger has been known to help himself to Christmas decorations and demolish pinecones, but to date has not consumed them. Again, I call out to our busy little Ranger. Crinkling stops. Back to

A few minutes later with no advance warning, I notice a little Pom tip-toeing into the office complete with a nicely wrapped Christmas gift, tangling by the bow, in his mouth. Ranger had my mother's diamond necklace. Not sure if he thought he would eat it or wear it, but he didn't answer me when I asked, "What are YOU doing?"

I have always been amazed with Poms and diamonds. I can wear nearly any jewelry, but it is diamonds the Poms always want to lick and try to chew off the mountings. At shows, when the Poms are visiting laps of total strangers, they will pick out a diamond to amuse themselves; not certain why, if the stones are cold or if these Pomies just have good taste.

So, beware. Poms love diamonds. Keep them up and out of reach with the chocolates and Poinsettias during the holidays.

Sunshine and Roses

The entire Pom community wants to send our good wishes to everyone who encountered hurricanes Katrina and Rita. Our thoughts and prayers were with you all.

We are sorry to report that Judge Bill Mott (NY) passed away.

Sending well wishes to Nancy Pathfinder who is in need a knee replacement.

Nina Epps passed away in August. Nina will be long remembered for her achievements in the Pomeranian world. She is now at peace and playing with her Jake who also left his mark on the Pomeranian world.

Life-long dog fancier, esteemed judge, and three-term AKC Board member, Dr. Asa Mays, DVM died at his home in Duluth Georgia August 10, 2005. We extend our sympathies to family and friends.

Sending Laurie Kinsman well wishes for a speedy recovery from her illness.

Condolences to friends and family of long-time handler C.L. Eudy. C.L. was well-known and greatly admired for his knowledge and sense of humor.

Prayers of continued healing to go Bob Fiddick who had back surgery in September. Our prayers for Juanita Fiddick as she will soon have badly needed back surgery.

Sunshine and Roses are published free of charge. Contact Donna Machniak:
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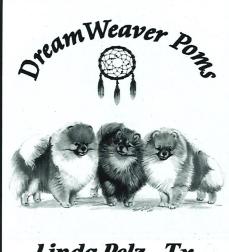
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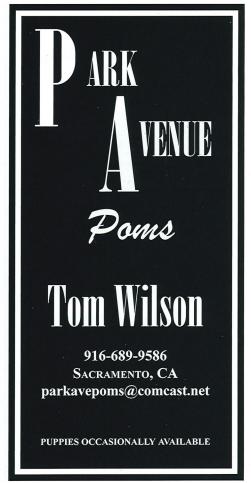


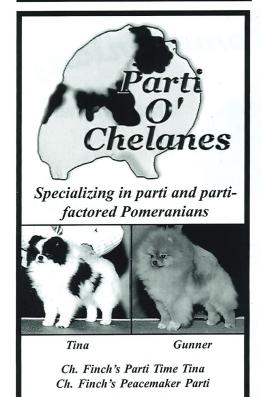
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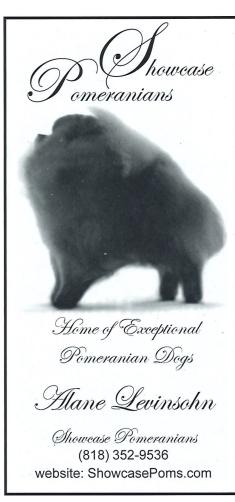


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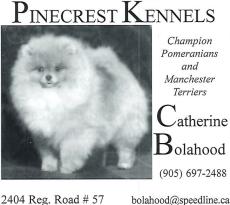






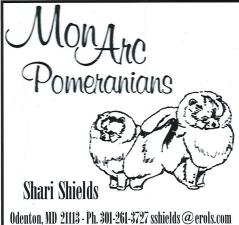


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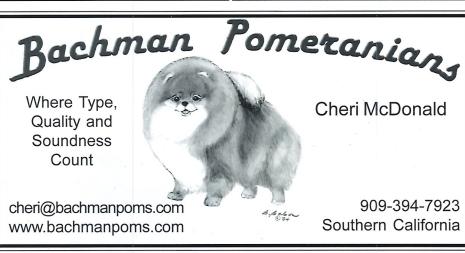
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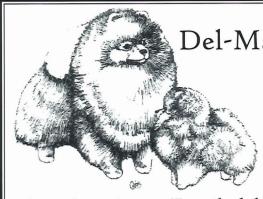
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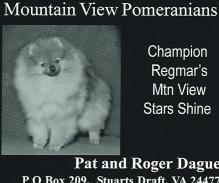


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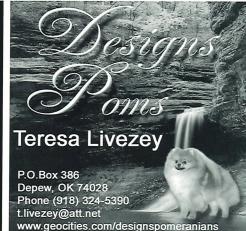


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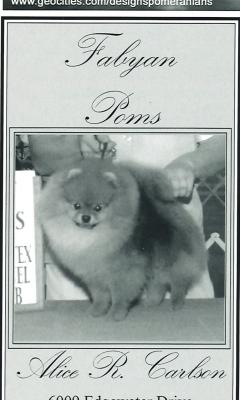
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- 1. Gather presents, boxes, paper, etc. in middle of living room floor.
- 2. Get tape back from puppy.
- 3. Remove scissors from older dog's mouth.
- 4. Open box.
- 5. Take puppy out of box.
- 6. Remove tape from older dog's mouth.
- 7. Take scissors away from puppy.
- 8. Put present in box.
- 9. Remove present from puppy's mouth.
- 10. Put present back in box after removing puppy from box.
- 11. Take scissors from older dog and sit on them.
- 12. Remove puppy from box and put on lid.
- 13. Take tape away from older dog.
- 14. Unroll paper.
- 15. Take puppy OFF box.
- 16. Cut paper being careful not to cut puppy's foot or nose that is getting in the way as he helps.
- 17. Let puppy tear remaining paper.
- 18. Take puppy off box.
- 19. Wrap paper around box.
- 20. Remove puppy from box and take wrapping paper from its mouth.
- 21. Tell older dog to fetch the tape so he will stop stealing it.
- 22. Take scissors away from puppy.
- 23. Take tape older dog is holding.
- 24. Quickly tape one spot before taking scissors from older dog and sitting on them again.
- 25. Fend off puppy trying to steal tape and tape another spot.
- 26. Take bow from older dog.
- 27. Go get roll of wrapping paper puppy ran off with.
- 28. Take scissors from older dog who took them when you got up.
- 29. Give pen to older dog to hold so he stops licking your face.
- 30. Remove puppy from present and hurriedly slap tape on to hold the paper on.
- 31. Take now soggy bow from puppy and tape on since the sticky stuff no longer sticks.
- 32. Take pen from older dog, address tag and affix while puppy tries to eat pen.
- 33. Grab present before puppy opens it and put it away.
- 34. Clean up mess puppy and older dog made playing tug-of-war with remnants of wrapping paper.
- 35. Put away rest of wrapping supplies and tell dogs what good helpers they are.







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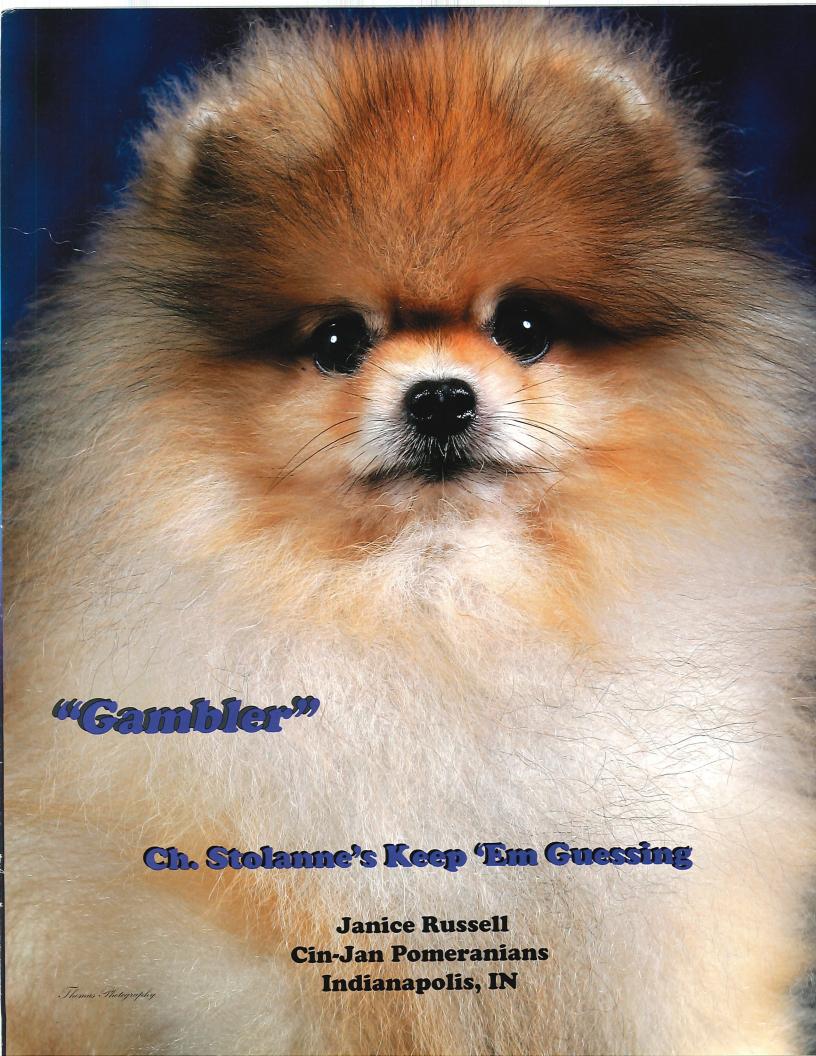
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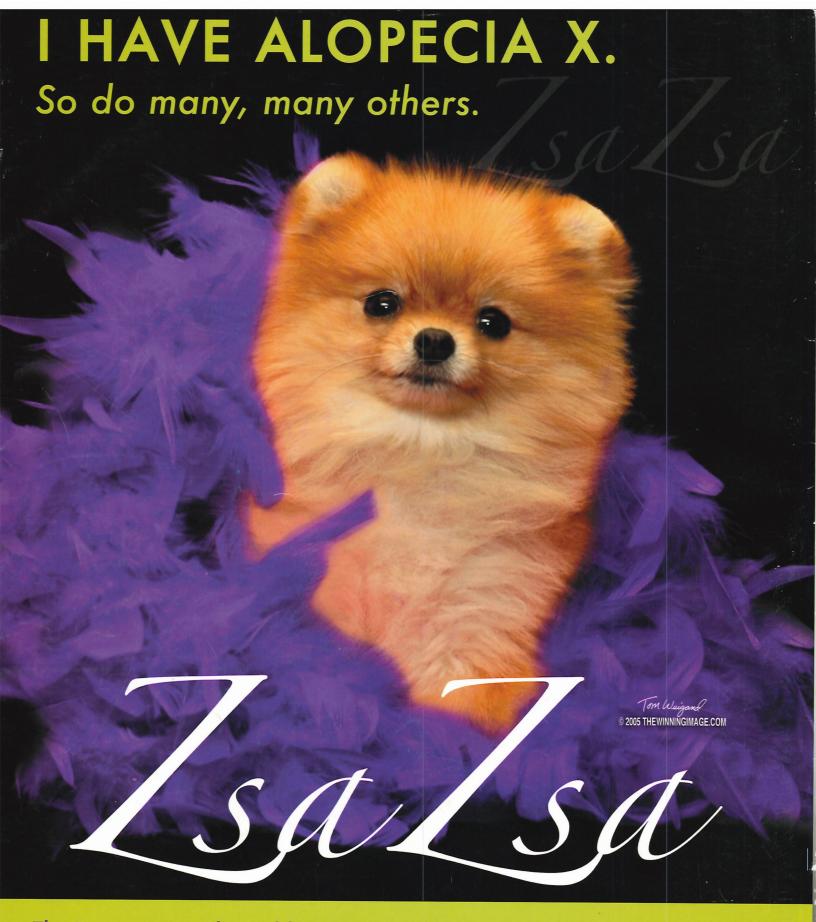
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