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SHOWSIGHT - FROM THE EDITOR

I love to judge: of course, I always enjoyed taking exams in school, so that should tell you something. My first assignment was about ten years ago, an all-breed Match, and I was to do Terriers and Terrier Groups, Junior, Senior, and Adult. I was excited, and determined to do a great job. The week prior to the assignment I had to make a trip to Phoenix. I studied all the way out and all the way back. I did it the way I always studied: I read the material, clos-



ed the book, and rewrote the material in my own words. Then I compared the two. Then I tried a new tack - I *drew* pictures of the perfect Airedale, or Kerry, or whatever, putting down in pen the attributes required. (Of course, I am nobody's idea of an artist - ask **Nancy Ross** about the picture of a Pom I drew - it's disgusting.) But I really did - I studied so hard my head hurt. Finally I was prepared.

And of course when I got to the Match there was a surprise in store. I had an entry of two, and they weren't even in the same class! I was devestated, as who wouldn't be, but one person saved the day for me, and earned my everlasting gratitude. Mignon Murray, intuitively sensing my chagrin, volunteered to steward my ring, and swept in with the calm pronouncement, "Well, there's only two, but let's do the two right!" She taught me the correct way to mark the judge's book, advised on ring procedure, made sure I had my correct start and end time, made sure I wrote legibly, and, well, made a big deal out of me as the "judge". She, a licensed judge, stood there in the rain at a Match, doing her best to make me feel better. And now, all these years hence, when (and I say with unabashed pride) I recently drew the record entry for the Sweepstakes at a Peke Specialty, and am scheduled to judge, along with Duane Doll, the Pekin Palace Dog Association Open Show in England next year. I still think of those two terriers, and of that thoughtful, caring lady named Miss Murray, Thank you, Mignon,

And speaking of which, judging from the excellent entry, the Progressive Dog Club is alive and well. Of course, **The Progressive Dog Club** held its fifty-fifth annual All Toy show on October 25th., at the Loew's Summit Hotel in Manhattan. The panel consisted of **Mr. R. Wayne Gurin** of Bolton, MA, for Min Pins, Papillons, and Yorkies, and **Mrs. Shirley Limoges** of Ontario, Canada, for the balance of Toy Breeds, with **Sari Brewster Tietjen** scheduled to judge Best. Due to an overload, Mrs. Tietjen took over the judging of Maltese and Shih Tzu in Mrs. Limoges' stead. Hot off the press, here are the results: first place winners were as follows: POMERANIANS

Judge Mrs. Shirley Limoges
Puppy Dogs 6-9 Months:
Merrymont's Golden Image
(Maureen Quinlan)
Puppy Dogs, 9-12 Months:
Pamaunok Addendum
(Fran Bosmann)
Bred by Exhibitor Dogs:
Pomaunok Just A Speck
(Fran Bosmann)
Open Dogs, ROCS

Open Dogs, ROCS Scotia Little Davey (Dolores A. Watts)

WINNERS DOG: Scotia Little Davey
RESERVE WINNERS DOG: Merrymont's Golden Image
Puppy Ritches 9-12 Months:

Puppy Bitches, 9-12 Months: Tomho Possum on the Run (Tommi Hooban) Bred by Exhibitor Bitches Teakwood's Penny Annie

(Laureen Ivey)
American-Bred Bitches
Emcee's Wee Gold Yetta
(Happeth A. Jones)
Open Bitches, ROCS
Dainti D-Nee's Desirae
(Susann Stackhouse)

WINNERS BITCH: Dainti D-Nee's Desirae RESERVE WINNERS BITCH:

Teakwood's Penny Annie
BEST OF BREED: Ch. Clairmont's
Carolina Delite
(Lancy Bryson)

BEST OF WINNERS: Scotia Little Davey
BEST OF OPPOSITE SEX: Ch. Topaze Jackpot Toby
(James Butler)

Congratulations to all! Special thanks to **Joe Champagne** for the marked catalogue.

I had the pleasure of watching **Dorothy Nickles** judge again this weekend; I have always loved to watch her judge and this time was no exception. The lady can really handle a ring, and she always looks and acts the true professional that she is.

But getting back to ring procedure and bad experiences judging, the other day **Nick Agliano** told me a real horror story. At his first Match assignment there seemed to be a whale of an entry in Afghans. Imagine his surprise when a top breeder lead a parade into the ring: 13 littermates in one class! Would you like to evaluate 13 Afghan puppies? Thanks, but I believe I'd rather have my two Terriers. Nick and his wife **Caroline Agliano** are both licensed judges and are very popular with Toy people.

But I'll never forget one experience I saw and lived through. I will not tell the breed, nor the state or city in which this happened, but I can tell you who the judge was. Duane Doll was scheduled to judge a Specialty match, I stewarded the ring, and the club members really got together to give him a workout. There was an entry of 160 in the Match - apparently people entered every individual they could put their hands on. The only problem was that many were very young and untrained. I called the 2-4 month puppy class into the ring, twenty-two of them in all. Duane made the error of trying to get them to gait - puppies were going every which way and tangling themselves up in each other's leads and going in between the handlers' feet and flipping over onto their backs and...well, it was a mess. I was trying to quit laughing and Duane kept hollering, "Stop! Stop!" to the exhibitors, none of whom paid any attention. Duane was afraid that they would all end up piled in a heap in the middle of the ring. Tragedy was averted when we finally got everyone to pick up their dogs and stand quietly in a polite line. Then, one by one, Duane examined the dogs and returned the people to the line. He evaluated them, first place through twentysecond, and then turned to me and said, "Do I dare?" I nodded. Duane said, "Ladies and gentlemen, just for experience, let's try to gait them one more time." They lined up, got ready to go, and...puppies went every which way, tangled themselves up in each other's leads, went between handlers' feet, flipped over onto their backs...

'Til next month, all the best, and see you in the puppy class!

JD's POMPOUS POMS



JD's Me 'N My RC stepping out in style to take Best of Opposite Sex over 11 other Poms at the Lake Mathews KC Match, and Best of Breed went to his niece "Tess" (J and M's Jole Wee Coltessence).



JD's Country Bumpkin taking a 3 point major his third day out under judge Frank Oberstar at the Cheyenne KC, a little rough around the edges, but giving quite a performance!

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CH. SOUTHLAND'S TOAST TO JAMEL -

"Jamie" finished as a puppy with 4 majors and made his degut as a special with 2 Best of Breed wins and a Group III. Jamie's parents are Ch. Southland's Toasted Fudge x Ch. Jamel's Smudge Orange Parfait. She was bred by Eleanor Clark and myself. Southland would like to congratulate other "Lil Toasty" kids on their recent wins:

SOUTHLAND'S MR. V.I.P. O'IDA — 3 Best of breed wins and a Group I, owned by Edward B. Jenner and myself, handled by Luc Boileau.

SOUTHLAND'S NEW YEAR TOAST — 3 point major and 2 points owned by **Opal Peterson** and myself.

SOUTHLAND'S JUSTA DREAMER — 8 points, 1 major owned by Polly Ferguson and myself.

SOUTHLAND 'N BEV-NOR'S DYNASTY — 10 points, both majors, and a Group IV, owned by **Shannon Johnson**.

JAMEL'S FUGICLE O'SOUTHLAND — Jamie's brother, 4 points and a Best of Breed over Specials, owned by Joel Taylor & Cheryl Jackson.

BAYOU VIEW CASUAL CONCEPT — 2 points, bred and owned by John Lewis & Adam Verrett.

COURBETTER FUDGE IT BUDGET — 10 points, bred & owned by Vicky Leitner.

IDA'S DELIGHT O'SOUTHLAND — 1 point, own-

ed by Janet Bordelon.

SPECIALS ADDITION

TOP TWENTY POMERANIANS JANUARY - OCTOBER 1987 AKC GAZETTE

Presently we find a number of Poms making their impact in Specials competition. In order to keep you informed as to the progress of these hard-working members of the breed, we are pleased to offer you SPECIALS ADDITION.

SPECIALS ADDITION is your monthly rating system of the Top Twenty Pomeranians in the United States. Rules for the

rating system are as follows:

Breed points (not to be confused with AKC Championship points) are allotted to individuals according to the highest placement received in any given AKC show, as reported in the American Kennel Club Show, Obedience and Field Trials Awards Book. Only this source will be used for point awards. A number of points has been allotted to the various placements,

and they are as follows:

BEST IN SHOW (All Breeds)50	00
BEST IN SHOW (Specialty)25	50
BEST OF OPPOSITE SEX (Specialty)7	75
TOY GROUP FIRST25	50
TOY GROUP SECOND15	50
TOY GROUP THIRD	75
TOY GROUP FOURTH	25
BEST OF BREED	10

Statistician: SUSAN WADE. The following is the listing of the Top Twenty Pomeranians, as compiled from the JANUARY through OCTOBER 1987 AKC GAZETTE.

		ME (Owner)			BOSS	I	П	Ш	IV	BOB
7455		GREAT ELMS PRINCE CHARMING II (D)(Piazza/Baker, Owners)		2	-	12	6	3	8	13
6820	CH.	PRECIOUS PETITE'S GABRIEL (D)(Claudia Pfeffer, Owner)	2	1	-	14	8	6	4	7
2810	CH.	APOLLOETTE MOONLITE GAMBLER (D)	-	-	-	5	7	5	1	11
2300	CH.	D-NEE'S DARIN DUFFIE (D)(Nadine Hersel, Owner)	-	4	-	3	3		2	5
1340	CH.	IDA'S TOUCH OF BEV-NOR (D)(Tarver/Creed, Owners)	-	-	-	3	2	3	1	4
1330	CH.	LANA'S TOP PRIORITY (D)(L. Ejchorszt, Owner)	-		-	3	3		2	8
1315	CH.	TEXICAN'S GIANT KILLER CHULA (D)(Norma Gad, Owner)	-		-	2	3	3	-	4
1060	CH.	HARBIN'S TIME TO POP THE CORK (D) (I. & S. Harbin, Owners)	-	-	1	2	2	2	1	1
1025	CH.	EMCEE'S SOLID GOLD PRINCE (D)(M. & B. Carson, Owners)	-	-	-	1	2	6	1	-
*925	CH.	CLAIRMONT'S CAROLINA DELIGHT (B)	-	1		1	1	2	1	10
*925	CH.	TOPAZE JACKPOT TOBEY (D)(J. Butler, Owner)		-	-	2	2	1	-	5
915		ALEXSAND'S GOLDEN WHISPER (D)(A. & G. Gonos, Owners)	-	-	-	1	3	1	-	14
885	CH.	KARLEE TWENTY-FOUR KARAT (D)(B. & P. Curry, Owners)	-	-	-	2	1	2	1	6
840	CH.	BI-MAR SUNDANCE KID (D)(M. Rosenbaum, Owner)	-	1	1	1	2	-	-	4
820	CH.	TIM SUE'S HIGH LIGHTS (D)(Luginsland/Goddard, Owners)	-	•	-	3	-		2	2
790	CH.	PATTY'S DUFFIES LIL SKIPPER (D)(S. Kelly, Owner)	-	1	•		1	-	2	9
765	CH.	PRECIOUS PETIT RIPLE SUPREME (D)(Doll/McGinnis, Owners)	-	-		1	1	2	3	14
750	CH.	TEXICAN'S GREAT BALLS OF FIRE (D)(N. Berry, Owner)	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
715		MILLAMOR'S I'M A WINDJAMMER (D)(R. & J. Stafford, Owners)		2	-	•	1	-	1	4
675	CH.	HERD'S LITTLE YOYO (D)(B. Gibbs, Owner)		-	-	1	1	2	3	5

*Tie: placements alphabetical

ALLAYN'S latest heavenly body...



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CAROUSEL'S ANGEL FOR ALLAYN

(BIS CH. Precious Petite's Gabriel x Creider's Jessica) "Angel" promises to live up to her impeccable pedigree. At 6 months and 3 days she took WB, BOW, BOS under judge Mr. Frank Nishimura, then the following day Dr. Leon Seligman gave her WB, BOB. At seven months she was Best in Sweepstakes and BOS to Best in Match at the Sooner Pomeranian Club Match (Mrs. Sally Baugniet). After taking time out to change coat, her first ring appearance was at the Oklahoma City Kennel CLub sanctioned match, where she took Puppy Group I (Mrs. Olga Schmidt). Two weeks later at the Astrohall, she took first in her class at the Houston Pom Specialty (Dr. William E. Field Jr.), RWB at the Houston KC show (Mrs. Dorothy Welsh), and a big 5 POINT MA-JOR for WB, BOW at the San Jacinto KC Show (Mr. Gilbert S. Kahn). All the above were from the Puppy

Many thanks to her breeders, Art & Linda Gustafson for placing her with us, and congratulations to her litter brother, "Butch" on his majors taken in Colorado.

Thanks to **Nina Epps** and **Mary D. Rinehart** for "Misty", our lovely new girl - **De Arta Custom Maid for Allayn** (Ch. Millamor's Mark Tradition x De Arta's Wee Dancing Cheri). She should make her debut in Arkansas.

Also preparing for Arkansas - Great Elms Becky of Lenette and her litter brother Great Elms Mark of Lenette (BIS Ch. Coy's Top of the Mark x Great Elms Rosa of Lenette). Thank you Ken Griffith for these promising youngsters.

Glen Iris Pomeranians



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CH. MEE-GEE'S MASTERPIECE

BEST OF BREED, CLARKSVILLE KC
Thank you Mrs. Rowe!
BEST OF BREED, HUNTSVILLE KC
Thank you Mr. Berman!

A Special Thanks to Eleanor Clark of Jamel's Pomeranians and to Charlotte Creed of Southland Pomeranians for letting us have Jamel's Fugicle of Southland. "Skyler's" show career with us started off nicely, taking Best of Winners at the Newnan Show and Best of Breed over specials at the Griffin KC show. Skyler is a littermate to Ch. Southland's Toast to Jamel and we are looking forward to showing him off!

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Let OLYMPIA Answer That!



DOGS HOWL AND...

QUESTION #1: Abolish BOW or "Passing the Points". My boss, the operator, is no brain like me, and hasn't half my luck, but in looking back over her some 26 years in DOGSHOWLAND, I can only recall 3 times when she blew her top over missing out on the major by not going BOW. (Is that bow, like in bow-wow?) On 2 occasions my operator shouted: "Politics!". But after I unplugged her, she cooled down and upon reflection gave way to admitting that although her entry was good, the entry winner in the opposite genre was just a teensy-weensy bit better. Just a teensy-weensy bit, mind you, but - sigh, alas - better. The 3rd occasion, I have to hurry before SHE unplugs ME, our entry went Winners Bitch (sometimes my boss calls me that, only without the winners) with NO opposition and did not go BOW-WOW over the pointed DAWG (aren't I good with doggy lingo?) because the judge was a friend of hers who had become a foe. The bitch my boss was showing finished with 3 majors, a couple of breeds and several BOS's in v-e-r-v limited showing...so my boss knew, you see, that her bitch was no DAWG! But abolish the BOW in bow-wow? Perish the thought. Whatever would all those Brussels Griffons, Affenpinschers and French Bulldoggies dooo -- why, they wouldn't have to

QUESTION #2: ONE MAJOR AFTER 18 MONTHS? Take that and that and that you -- you -- you Irish Wolfhound, you! (By the way, isn't the life expectancy of an Irish Wolfhound 7 to 8 years?) In that case should they hurry up and wait, or wait and then hurry up? Seriously, even a machine like me knows that ugly ducklings sometimes turn into swans, but how many swans revert to ugly ducklings? A good lookin' dog is like a good lookin' woman, she's only young once and may fall 'apart' in later years, but after all by then she deserves not to be wolf-whistled at. She's done her thing and probably, forgive me, had a whole passel of young'uns! Now it is a universal truth that there are exceptions to every rule, such as the case of Miniature Dachsunds whose weight limit prevents them from being in OPEN until a year of age, or Toy Poodles with their height limit who sometimes, tho rarely, do not reach it until a year...but when does the minority rule? Only in an absolute monarchy or dictator regime, NOT The Pom Reader / November 1987

worry about getting that major after 18 months, they'd be

18 YEARS old before they ever found one!

(per "SHOWSIGHT" from the editor, Sept. '87, re AKC considering Show regulation changes)
I: Abolish BOW or "Passing the Points". My in a democracy!!

QUESTION #3: TOO MANY DOG SHOWS? Now, I thought I answered that one in my debut article when I asked "Is This Sanity?". But, since you persist, where, where, show me where, I'm a blind machine, there are TOO MANY DOG SHOWS? Here in sunny Florida? Surely you jest! Why, it was only some few years back that it was nigh onto impossible to finish a dog unless you left this beautiful state to tour the snow-driven hinterlands, or (worse fate!) cruised the Carolinas, where, honest to Jehosophat it was hotter then here-down-under! Now, don't quote me, I have friends in the Carolinas, but it's so nice to be 'way down upon the S-U-W-A-N-N-E-E R-I-V-E-R, the good ol' S-U-W-A-N-N-E-E - how I love ya, how I luv ya, my dear old S-U-W-A-N-N-E-E...and showing dogs without spending all my do-re-mi on travel! QUESTION #4: EASY TO MAKE A CHAMPION? Like my boss-operator, Miss Einstein, sometimes says, everything is relative. She once had this pom who was of good caliber but who wore a fur coat of an odd color and didn't always keep it on. This Pom went right out and took 2 4-point majors back to back and then coming down to the wire lacked one point. It took a further 14 shows to get this one point! How's that for difficult? Then Miss Einstein had a Pommy who was good caliber who wore a fur coat of popular color who never took it off who went right out and won 2 back to back 4 point majors and finished shortly in 8 total shows. How's that for easy? If being in the right place at the right time with the right dog in the right condition and finishing the dog in under 10 shows is easy, then YES, it is too easy to make a championship. But if being in the right place at the right time with the WRONG dog in the WRONG condition is difficult, then, no it is not too easy to finish a championship. The theory of relativity. Miss Einstein once had a conversation with an allrounder whilst they were observing a Working Group in progress. "I put that German Shepherd up," remarked the judge, "there were 89 entries in that breed and only 2% were adequate show specimens; of that 2% only 1% was a truly good show specimen." So, for the owner of that German Shepherd who probably finished in five or less major pointed shows, yes, it was easy. For the other 99% it was not.

Until the dog howls again...Olympia

DOG SHOW THOUGHTS By Barbara Stoffer

It's still dark as we load up the car, with everything for the show. We must be nuts or we'd still be asleep like most 'normal' folks we know.

Everything's ready and we get in the car to head for that place, up-state.

One last check just to be sure

One last check...just to be sure (guess we'd better get our dog and his crate!)

The road stretches away, like a ribbon of gray... the countryside is peaceful and still.

Thoughts drift ahead to the day at hand as we ride through each valley and hill.

Will the judge be fair...honest and keen... will he see the 'faults' of each?

Or will he just pick 'HIS' type again? (if he does I think I'll screech...)

Well here we are, let's unload the car give the dogs some exercise...

We'll have to hurry, the class is early and we don't want any surprise.

At ringside we'll get to talk with friends and with other dog people, too...

Each is ready and waiting to take their turn praying for a ribbon of BLUE.

Each lovely dog struts around showing his very best...

The judge will have a difficult time, they'll put him to the test.

He SEEMS to be nice and studies them all not hurrying them along.

Carefully 'touching', then stepping back; He hasn't done anything wrong......(YET)

His choice is made and he points to number one so it looks like we didn't win...

But Reserve isn't bad, so we won't be sad... (we just won't show under HIM again.)

Back to the car, chatting away trying to figure it out;

One time you win, next time you lose: sometimes you are in doubt.

Your dog is really looking his best (he should have won that class...) Maybe the judge wasn't so good after all so we'll just let this one pass.

It really is a game of chance

showing in that ring...

BUT, OH THE GREAT FEELING OF JOY

THAT NEXT TIME'S WIN WILL BRING!

GOLDEN AIRES POMS presents



Emcee's I'm Ena-Chips

"Ena" is the daughter of Ch. Emcee's Solid Gold Diamond. Our sincere and heartfelt thanks to Dr. & Mrs. Morris Carson for allowing Ena to join us.

Ena is owner-handled at present, but will soon be with **Carroll & Mary James**. Watch for this beautiful, cobby and sound girl.

GOLDEN AIRES POMS

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SIMO-NIS POMS

Proudly presents our first homebred Champion



Ch.* Simo-nis' Wee Willy Makette, pictured out of coat, picking up a 4 point major at the Houston Shows under Gilbert S. Kahn. Willy was beautifully handled by Nancy Burnette of Nanshadow. They had a short run this summer and are going on to Special. Watch for Willy & Nancy. Hopefully more Simo-nis Poms will be in the ring soon.

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GENERALLY SPEAKING By Susan Wade

It had been many a year since I'd been on a train, so I decided to go to Maine for my vacation - by rail! That presented my first problem - can't get to Maine by AMTRAK. The closest point was Boston, but that would work out since my son lives only an hour and a half away. The next problem was my luggage - one suitcase and one briefcase filled with **D-McG** magazines. (Since this was to be a vacation, I would only be attending TWO dog shows!) Who wants to carry their baggage through Penn Station? Not me - so I decided to check it through. (Remind me to tell you sometime how I changed trains in Minneapolis-St. Paul in 15 minutes...6 months pregnant and with three bags!) WellIIII, that wasn't possible unless I checked

my baggage in two days BEFORE I planned to travel - the train that I was to take from NY to Boston didn't have a baggage car. OK - into the suitcase went the heaviest clothes I own and into the briefcase with the magazines went the camera and my press badge. With my baggage on the way, and the liner for my coat rolled into my tote, I was ready for anything!

My memories of train travel include very polite and helpful Redcaps, comfortable berths, a dining car with linen, silver, crystal, fresh flowers and marvelously efficient and quiet waiters. There are still Redcaps, berths, dining cars and waiters - yes there are - however, things are a bit different. I had talked with friends who told me the food was awful and decried the lack of other amenities, but I must have been on a different train or else things have improved tremendously. Let me warn you about one thing - if you are the slightest bit claustrophobic, avoid the slumber cars...a space big enough for one rather narrow bunk and built-in toilet facilities. Spring for the roomettes, they come in two different sizes.

I have to admit there was no silver, crystal, or fresh flowers in the dining car and the food is served cafeteria style - but tablecloths still exist (beige rather than white), the waiters were there to take your trays and my food was excellent..the wine was just the right temperature, the food tasty and attractive, the dessert nicely chilled (key-lime pie) and the coffee hot, flavorful and served nicely! So you see, rail travel isn't all bad!

My time in Penn Station was...interesting. I don't think I will ever get used to green, pink, or scarlet hair in spikes, but it was interesting. When the train pulled into South Station (Boston), I hardly recognized the place - much restoration is being done that left this one-time resident a bit confused - however, we found Cheers without a lot of trouble. [Ed. note - I'm surprised you recognized Cheers. Since Diane left it hasn't been the same. J] The Boston traffic was bumper-to-bumper, so we stopped for dinner. After fortifying myself with fresh lobster, I was ready to brave the "Wilds of Maine"!

The name of the town near which my son lives is not important, but its location is...just forty minutes from Scarborough Downs where the Vacationland and Central Maine clubs were holding their shows. Both Chairpersons, Beverly Maxfield and Liane James were most kind in allowing me to put the magazines on display and run around snapping pictures. Since I've never been to shows in Maine, I'm not familiar with the history of these shows, but the entries on both days were well over 1,000 and the site did not seem to be crowded. All the larger dogs were judged in three rings downstairs of the Scarborough Downs Grandstand (indoors), and the smaller ones and Toys were judged in three rings upstairs. There were some familiar faces in the rings, but I also got a chance to meet lots of new people and enjoyed myself thoroughly. Frances Thornton of Converse, Texas, judged Poms at the Vacationland



Dog Club show on Saturday, and among those entered were Poms owned by Nola Williams, Tommi Hooban, Laureen Ivey, Louise M. Sweet, and Toni Collings. Central Maine KC hosted the Sunday event, and the Pom judge was Anita Chapman from Ontario, Canada. Since this is a three-day cluster, I was pleased to see all the exhibitors keeping their areas neat and clean - these clubs should have no problem in keeping their site. These were well-run shows by obviously capable clubs.

Although happily acclimated to the southern climate, I had to admit the cooler air felt good...wrapped as I was in layers and layers of clothing. The weather did get cold (below freezing a couple of

nights) but the snow held off until after my visit. (My granddaughters went happily skipping out the door to school in lightweight clothing - heavy for them, 'lightweight' for me - and I insisted they return to put on heavier raiment. I was rewarded with the autumn credo of schoolchildren everywhere... "Grandma Susan, it's not THAT cold!"

The week passed quickly, and I must admit I had a wonderful time. I saw some beautiful scenery, enjoyed my visit, enjoyed the train...and I'd do it again in a minute. You can say all you want about Southern Hospitality and being a Southerner, I would have to agree, but those New Englanders don't do bad!!!

Susan Wade

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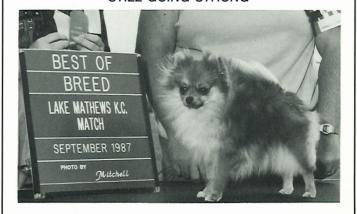
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Tess continues to amaze us with her prowess. Shown here taking Best of Breed over 14 entries, out of the 9-12 class, at the Lake Matthews K.C. All breed match. It was a "family" day as Tess' uncle, *JD's Me N My RC*, took BOS. Tess went on to take GROUP III.

WAtch for *J* and *M*'s Fancy Filly of Colt being handled by Kelly Green of Pacific Prancing Poms in the October/November shows.

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FILMING THE POMERANIAN VIDEO

Dorothy Bonner

The filming of the Pomeranian Video was scheduled for October 6 at St. Hubert's Giralda in New Jersey, an animal welfare and educational center between Madison and Morristown. With no knowledge of the vicinity, reservations were made at the seemingly nearest hotel chosen from a list sent from the AKC. My ticket took me to Newark Airport, then a taxi whose charge was \$45.00 to my destination. Although Poms were arriving from all over the country, most were from within driving distance, and I was lucky enough to secure a ride to the filming site the next morning. The weather was perfect, sunny but cool, with no wind to damage Pom coats. St. Hubert's Giralda is a beautiful acreage, entirely fenced, a park-like area covered with huge shade trees. A few small buildings included a wonderful museum and an extensive kennel filled with large dogs. Through tall gates, we entered a driveway shaped like a T. Numerous pens were set up under the trees, and we were permitted to drive near the camera location in a more secluded area. A runner was already calling for number 2 Pom, and we soon found that number 1 was ready to be photographed on the grooming table. So everyone there was listed and given numbers as they would be filmed in sequence. While one was on the table, a second was waiting, halfway there, while the next numbers were alerted. Each subject was accorded at least ten minutes of being filmed from every angle on the table, handled by John Heartz, equal consideration being given to both Best-In-Show winners and pet types, this being an educational project.

Over 40 Poms were present, including those obedience trained, and even two adorable babies who had their turn in the limelight. An attempt was made to include all colors; **Kathryn Hartz** given credit for assembling a large number of partis, browns, black & tans, and combinations. **Maxine Beam**, AKC consultant, made comments and explanations in a van as Poms were shown on a monitor, her remarks to be used later in editing.

The AKC served sandwiches and cold drinks to all during a rest period. Later, the cameras were changed to the driveway to film movement and Obedience. No one seemed tired and we were reluctant to leave such a lovely setting. The Pom Video Committee will be invited to New York on December 14 to view the edited product for final completion.

Much credit goes to **Edna (Midge) Horn**, AKC Educational Coordinator, "**Norman**", the filming director, **Maxine Beam**, consultant, **John Heartz**, handler, **Skip Piazza**, Assistant, and the Video Committee who put together the entire affair: **Dorothy Bonner**, Chairman, **Olga Baker**, and **Christine Heartz**. The entire Pom fancy will be proud of such a beautiful presentation for years to come.

Dorothy Bonner

LETTERS...

Dear Duane and Joe,

I would like you to know that I really enjoy the Pom Reader every month. I breed Poms on a small scale (purely for my own enjoyment because I love them so much), but I am also striving to improve the breed.

Recently I purchased my first parti color. She is black and white with a wide white blaze. She is now 5 months old. When she was little she did not have any black spots on her feet and legs, but as she got older she developed them. I call them "freckles". Is this something that parti colors are not supposed to have? Since I never find much to read about parti's and hardly ever see them, I don't

know who to ask. Would you know the answer or know who I could talk to about parti's? This female is about 5-6 pounds already so may be too big for show quality but I would still like to know about the ''freckles''.

Currently I work 2 jobs and do not have time to get involved with showing my dogs, but in the meantime I am building up my kennel and hope to really get involved win the show circuit when I retire and have more time. I am learning a lot from the **Pom Reader**. KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK!

Lynn Heise, Cedar Hill, Texas

Dear Lynn,

I agree: it is hard to find much information about the parti color Pom. The Standard clearly states that it is an acceptable color, and describes a parti-color as: "white with any other color distributed in even patches on the body and a white blaze on the head." Period.

The Standard for the Parti-color Cocker Spaniel is more exacting: "Two or more definite, well-broken colors, one of which must be white, including those with tan points; it is preferable that the tan markings be located in the same pattern as for the tan points in the Black and ASCOB varieties. Roans are classified as Particolors and may be of any of the usual roaning patterns. Primary color which is ninety (90•) percent or more shall disqualify."

Parti-color Pekingese are very popular within that breed, and The Pekingese Standard states: "The coloring of a parti-colored dog must be broken on the body. No large portion of any one color should exist. White should be shown on the saddle. A dog of any solid color with white feet and chest is not a parti-color."

The Pom Standard makes no provision for width and depth of blaze, so I would presume this is dictated by personal preference. Obviously, the size of the white blaze greatly affects the appearence of the head.

In response to your question, I contacted Kathryn Hartz of Dover-Holihouse, an avid fancier of parti-color Poms. Kathryn says: "The spots on the legs are common - more black & white parti's have them than the other colors. If conformation is good, and color pattern correct, the spots should not affect the dog's show career in any way. You will have to keep an eye on size: unless your bitch stops growing real soon, she will probably go over the weight limit for Poms, which is 3 to 7 pounds. But then again, she may not. You will soon know."

Thank you, Kathy, for your help, and thank you Lynn for writing: we hope to have articles featuring the parti-color Pom in the near future.

JMcG

Dear Joe,

In response to your questions:

- 1) Abolish Best of Winners? NO. Reason the unworthy champion does not come from this class. Too many champions? According to the number of shows, NO. Rare breeds or breeds with low entries still have very few champions per year.
- 2) Major after 18 Months? Maybe in some breeds, such as breeds that disqualify for being over 10" or whatever. Large breeds mature late, Toys are mature at 9-12 months of age. Instead, require that a dog must win nine points from wins from its own sex.
- 3) Too many dog shows? NO. People only go to as many as they can afford.
- 4) Too easy to finish a champion? HA HA HA. Once in a while you may have one finish in 5-6 shows, usually it is still 10 to 20 shows before one finishes. The reason: competition (or lack of it). At a three day cluster, seldom does one dog take points all 3 days. Many shows will have only 1-2 points per show in most breeds. So who finishes an easy champion?

Lucille Meystedt, Exhibitor and Judge P.S. Also see enclosed article, "Unworthy Champions???"

UNWORTHY CHAMPIONS???

The number of tests a judge is required to pass does not mean the judge will apply that knowledge when judging. The unworthy champion does not necessarily come from cluster shows, stacked entries, or Best of Winners Classes. I'd say they come from judges who are looking for assignments, or playing favorites, or payback for that assignment.

Irrevelant of what everyone may think, handlers don't necessarily have the best dog all the time. Top handlers, if honest, will tell you due to economy, they show dogs of lesser quality that, a few years back, they would not be caught in the ring with. Still many judges think the dog is with a handler, so it has to be good, also the handler may get them an assignment. I've had two handlers ask me if I'd like to judge so and so place. I didn't place them in the points. To this day I'm still waiting for those two assignments.

I'd like to relate a true incident. A judge received an assignment from a club he had judged matches for. On the day of the show, all went well. The next day the judge was again at the show, and another judge of acquaintance who was at the show asked the first day's judge to sit at ringside and discuss the breed of specific interest. The second judge is a long time breeder of said breed, as well as a judge of 2 groups, plus other breeds, and also obtains many assignments (for some of which she pays her own way). As the dogs were gaiting and being examined, her remarks were "Isn't that one cute." "That one has a cute little gait.", etc. Then when a specific handler and dog came up for exam the first judge was asked why they had not placed that dog the previous day. The judge. replied, "1, the dog's ear placement is poor; 2, the rear is 1" higher than the withers, and 3, the dog is severely cowhocked, and all 3 are severe faults of the breed and will also be passed on to the get." The second judge very huffily replied, "Well, I don't judge in that much detail!" (By the way, said dog didn't win the second day, either.) But if that dog finishes, it is an unworthy champion. How and why?

Many Toy judges think of the Toys as cute, bouncy, and if coated, tons of it, they are winners. A judge once told me toys do nothing but look cute, so what if they are cowhocked, etc? If this is true, why are there Standards on the Toys?

The judge that failed to place the above dog hasn't had a return assignment and doesn't expect one. Later the judge found out that the dog was owned by the Club's president, as well as being sired by the Number Two judge's male!

There are many top winning toys with very bad fronts and rears, some have many BIS. In my opinion they are unworthy champions, but are highly publicized and are owned by other judges.

These unworthy champions are not new; there always been and always will be, some. They are not just lately, look at some of the dogs 10 or 15 years ago or more. It just depended on who showed and who owned the dog. It is now becoming more noticeable, due to the doubling of entries at a show and the increased number of shows. So why the sudden concern?

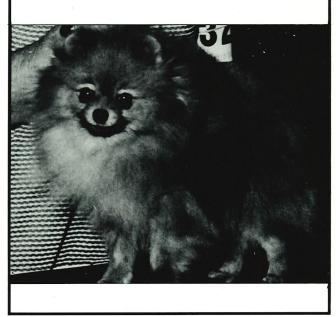
Many judges will place a lesser quality dog over a good one, for BOB. Why? The dog has more sportsmanship, flashier, more coat, or whatever, but IT WILL LOOK BETTER IN THE GROUP. Many times I've overheard judges make this remark as to why they placed a said dog.

Eliminating the cluster shows, Best of Winners, having classified shows (some without points), or whatever else someone thinks of, will not keep the unworthy dog from receiving a championship.

I personally would like to see no groups, no best in shows, no rating systems, for at least one year. Maybe, just maybe, the sportsmanship will partially return to dog shows, and the judges will judge for quality and everything will improve.

Lucille Meystedt

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As I was putting papers on the floor of the Poms' room, a

thought came to mind. I really am thankful for the power of the press! I don't know what I would do without it. Those of you who show or travel only in one area don't realize how much you are missing. Some of us who travel in many areas sometimes miss the boat, too.



How? Many of us go to and

from the dog shows...that is it! How often do we take a little more time to see some of the historic, artistic, or entertaining points of interest? Are we in such a hurry to get to and from the dog shows, that all we have time for is to use the Tollways and Interstates? Some of the best scenery can be enjoyed when traveling on the two lane country roads.

Many of you know that my husband, Dick, very seldom goes to a dog show with me - once every two years or so. When he does, he usually has something else in mind. This time we went to some Michigan shows via northern Indiana. We went to pick up our new Maxi-van, which was converted to a "Canine Traveler". He had to come along to drive the other vehicle back home (the *old* one... *I* got the new one.) He consented to go to the dog show as long as I was staying for only one. We took some of the back roads and saw some gorgeous fall leaf colors. The maples are the greatest! This is something you people from the South miss, if you don't come north in October. I have seen your beautiful Spring when our Winter is still on the ground. It is nice to trade places for a couple of days.

Now, the snow is flying in Wisconsin. As beautiful as are the heavy snow-laden branches and snow-covered hills, fields, driveways, and sidewalks, I look forward to seeing you in January for the Florida Circuit. We won't have to shovel that white stuff - but then, you don't have snowmobiles, snow skiing, tobogganing, sleigh riding, Poms rolling and tunneling in snow banks, coming into the house looking like little snow balls - Oh well, we can't all have everything, can we?

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Each month **The Pom Reader** will welcome reports from the Secretaries of recognized Pomeranian clubs and organizations. As our staff can not be all places at all times, we think this is an excellent way to keep the world apprised of your activities and successful undertakings. **Secretaries:** forget about a deadline, we know you're busy. Just submit as you can and we will publish as quickly as possible - your news will still be news, because we publish once a month - 12 times per year.



OHIO VALLEY POM CLUB...The beautiful FALL weather seems to be outdoing itself this year, even for Ohio...the colors are just breathtaking and the crisp, clean air is so invigorating. It made the drive down to tour first Puppy Match in Mt. Vernon a VERY SPECIAL event...The Match went along quite smoothly, we are happy to say;

there was a very good turnout, the judges were exceptionally nice, and we had some great stewards who did a super job, even though most were not experienced. I'm sure everyone learned a lot from this "first" Match - we will be holding another next year, as well as a Specialty.

This crisp autumn air makes the Poms feel so good - they really "strut their stuff". Many of our members have been doing especially well at the shows. Lorinda Vasuta & Darren Lane of Animation Kennels had their Atom Ant entered in some 15 shows and he won 14 BOB's as well as several Group placements; Animation Kennels has produced at least 8 champions in the past two years; Carol Galavich of Pixie's Hillcrest Kennels has produced 21 champions in the past several years, since starting to show Poms, and is almost ready to have that "title" again with Fancy Image; Bonnie Stetson has just finished her first champion, Pride and Joy; the rest of us are working towards our final points or majors to attain that utmost ideal - a true Champion (although we love them all, Champions or not). THERE IS NOTHING LIKE A POM, THEY ARE THE GREATEST.

Things are moving right along with our club. We now have 50 members and are still growing. We received our first order of club jackets and they are really nice. At the October meeting we discussed we discussed the proposed AKC "changes" and everyone at the meeting was opposed to the changes. We will be writing to "voice" or opinions...Shari Stoffer Kubankin was in charge of the "Open Forum" for October, and chose the subject Puppy & Pom Prices - needless to say, there followed a VERY interesting and varied discussion. The next "Open Forum" will be at the January 1988 meeting and Shari chose Pom Advertising for the subject; it, also, should be very interesting. We have been in "touch" with other Pom clubs and are exchanging newsletters with them. It's a great idea and helps to get all of us sharing more "Pom" news...

Our November meeting will be held after the Pom classes at the Lima Ohio KC show, which will be held at the Ohio State Fairgrounds in Columbus, on Saturday 11/15. For exact time and meeting place, please contact **Judy Shearer**, 523 Miller Avenue, Sugarcreek, OH 44681. (215) 852-4136. O.V.P.C. will be suppor-

ting the Pom entry at the Medina KC show in Cleveland, Ohio, on Friday 12/11/87 and we hope as many members as possible will be there to try for the EXTRA nice trophies with Poms on them, as well as potential MAJORS, good friends, and our Hospitality area...

I have noticed that many beautiful Poms have been making their "mark" at the shows; lost of GROUP WINS & BEST IN SHOWS...such great publicity for our breed. It seems that the overall quality of the Poms being shown is improving all the time - let's hope everyone keeps up the good work.

That's about all for this time - see all of you next month...LOVE THOSE POMS!

Barbara Stoffer

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UPDATE

TOP TEN EXHIBITORS AS OF THE JANUARY - OCTOBER 1987 AKC GAZETTE

Welcome to UPDATE, your monthly rating list of breeders and exhibitors out there winning points in the show ring. As most all serious Pomeranian fanciers are, in one way or another, involved in campaigning their Poms for AKC Championship points, we feel that it is important to keep tabs on the Pomeranian doings in this area.

The procedures for tallying the point scale are as follows:

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Points are allotted to THE REGISTERED OWNER OF THE DOG AT THE TIME OF COMPETITION.

Statistician: Susan Wade. Any questions concerning UPDATE may be addressed to the editor.

THE FOLLOWING IS THE LISTING OF THE TOP TEN EXHIBITORS JANUARY thru OCTOBER 1987 AKC GAZETTE.

EXHIBITORPOINTS

D. WATTS	75
C. & R. READY	45
A. & G. GONOS	*38
L. VASUTA	*38
P. HENDRICKS	37
G. HODSON	36
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On August 13th I caught a piece of ABC's World News Tonight on WTAE, our local ABC affiliate. I saw a man gently massage a bird and then a cut to the same man holding a 2x4 against a horse's shoulder and hitting the board with a hammer. That got my attention. At the time, I was standing at the counter in the kitchen and just grabbed a piece of paper and a pen hoping to get names, addresses, etcetera. Here are my original notes: ABC Chicago, Sharon Willoughby; Dr. Kamen, Buffalo, Ill. After a little detective work and the help of the WTAE-TV News Desk and ABC WORLD NEWS TONIGHT, I located both Dr. Willoughby and Dr. Kamen and asked them to contribute to Peke Patter. Dr. Willoughby agreed to act as guest columnist. Dr. Kamen opted to respond to

We agreed that I would submit the first response first and give both priority over any article I might be planning. Dr. Kamen responded first and here he is!

Dr. David Kamen received his Doctor of Chiropractic degree from Palmer College of Chiropractic in Davenport, Iowa. Palmer College was the first school to pioneer the practice of chiropractic medicine. He has written several articles on the subject of animal chiropractic and recently appeared live on *THE LATE SHOW*. Dr. Kamen practices in Buffalo Grove, Illinois, a suburb of Chicago.

- Q: Dr. Kamen, How did you first become involved in chiropractic for animals? Did you try it on animals of your own or were you approached by other animal lovers?
- A: I was approached by patients who had sick animals and adjusted their pets as favors. [Ed. note The term 'adjustment' refers to the physical realignment of bone structure performed by a Doctor of Chiropractic. JMcG]
- **Q:** How long have you been practicing chiropractic on animals and birds and how many cases have you treated?
- A: For 51/2 years. I have treated maybe 6 birds, 50 to 70 dogs, about 50 cats, 100 or so horses, and 10 miscellaneous animals llamas, lions, giraffes, etc.
- Q: Do you practice mainly on large or small animals?
- A: Large animals, mainly horses.
- Q: What types of animals have you adjusted?
- A: Dogs, cats, giraffes, llamas, lions, horses, cows, guinea pigs, etc.
- Q: Overall what conditions or maladies are most common?
- A: Low back pain evidenced by spinal imbalances or strained walking. Neck disorders are also common.
- Q: What types of complaints is animal chiropractic most likely to alleviate or correct?
- A: Musculo-skeletal disorders such as neck, shoulders, and low back conditions.
- Q: With regard to dogs, what breed or breeds seem more susceptible to back related disorders?
- A: Abused dogs. This isn't a sarcastic answer, but the dogs I've seen have "accidentally" been kicked, or have fallen down stairs, or have been involved in some type of trauma. I haven't seen enough of one breed to make a judgement as to which may be more susceptible.
- Q: Please describe one of the more unusual cases you have addressed.
- A: A Llama with scoliosis (abnormal spinal curve). It was a baby and could not walk a straight line. I massaged its back muscles rather than adjusting the spine. After three weeks, it walked much better. The llama's owner did the therapy after



the first time.

Q: Would you care to comment on the role of preventative animal chiropractic and give some of the conditions it can prevent?

A: Preventative care means taking responsibility for one's own health. Sure, spinal adjustments will help alleviate stress, etc., but the owners of the animals must make certain that their pets are safe. Most animal disorders stem from trauma.

Q: Have you had any referrals from veterinarians or inquiries from veterinarians or chiropractors? If so, give some examples of the subject matter.

A: Just Dr. Sharon Willoughby, DVM, DC, from Port Byron, Illinois. Other DVM's don't call me. Neither do they do manipulation.

- **Q:** Have you experienced any hostility or criticism from the veterinary or chiropractic communities? If so, please comment.
- A: Not much. Once, about 5 years ago a veterinarian said what I was doing was illegal since I do not have a veterinarian's license. Other chiropractors are enthused and very interested.
- Q: If readers in other states or in other countries would like to avail themselves of animal chiropractic treatment for their animals, could you refer them to a chiropractor or veterinarian in their area? If not, how can they get such information?
- A: Yes, there are some 100 chiropractors who have made themselves known to me. But I usually tell a concerned pet owner to contact their local chiropractor. AT times they will adjust pets as a favor as I once did.
- Q: Do you know of any schools of chiropractic that offer courses in treating animals?
- A: I heard the Los Angeles College of Chiropractic has postgraduate seminars but I'm not certain.
- Q: Would you care to add anything on the subject of animal chiropractic? Anything I have overlooked or you wish to emphasize?
- A: The field of animal chiropractic will not grow unless the chiropractor can legally get paid for his or her services. For this to happen, state legislation has to be created for licensing requirements that also include accredited curriculums in the chiropractic colleges. This can be accomplished, but it will need the support, not only of a sizeable percent of the chiropractors, but of the public as well.

I spoke to Dr. Kamen after receiving his input. He indicated that since the August 13th exposure on WORLD NEWS TONIGHT he has been receiving many communications from other chiropractors, all enthusiastic about the possibilities and future for animal chiropractic. And why not? If the medical profession can benefit from experimentation on animals, why shouldn't the animals benefit from the techniques available to humans? That segment of the medical profession that confines its practice to the human animals has been gradually accepting the fact that chiropractic is a viable choice of treatment. Apparently there is movement in that direction in the veterinary segment of medicine as witnessed by **Dr. Sharon Willoughby, DVM, DC** who will be my guest columnist next month.

See you next time. Bob Schuerch

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