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Ch. Emcee's Chiquite de Oro

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CH. EMCEE'S CHIQUITA DE ORO



Our "Cover Girl", *Ch. Emcee's Chiquita de Oro*, took her first Group I as a puppy. Although her show career has been very limited, she is nevertheless a multiple Group winner with several additional Group placements. *Chiqui* is the third Pom of *Emcee* breeding to have won the New York Specialty in the last 10 years.

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SHOWSIGHT — FROM THE EDITOR

I will be the first to admit that I do not understand modern economics. You see, just last week **Cynthia**, my phototypesetting system, blew a gasket or something and rendered herself inoperable. And of course my first reaction, as usual, was to scream and throw things. I contacted the Cynthia People, described the problem, and was happily informed that the repairs would only run somewhere between 500 and 800 dollars. *Well, okay*, I said. *Without Cynthia I can do nothing.* And so the required part was dispatched by air; once it arrived I was to phone for the technician to come and install it. The part arrived, and foolishly they included the invoice. *The part cost \$63.00.* We almost fainted. Over \$500.00 to install a \$63.00 part? Incredible.

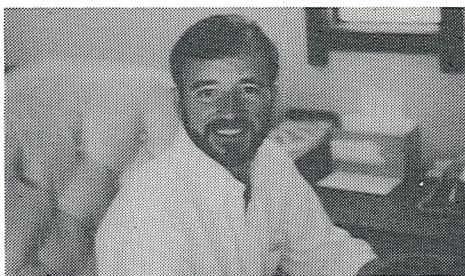
But then we got bold. Duane and I, throwing caution to the winds, disassembled the system, and in an intricate operation that took all of two hours, *fixed the machine.* I called the Cynthia Company and cancelled the repair order. They were not amused.

But here comes the part of the economics that I do not understand. Taking the lowest quote, I quickly subtracted 63.00 from 500.00, and suggested to Duane that, since I had saved us \$437.00, should I not receive personal compensation in that amount? I will not quote his reply, except to say that I did not get it.

The Bells Are Ringing Department...Of course, on March 27th, **Keke Blumberg** and **Rick Kahn** tied the knot in a lovely ceremony attended by many pretty people including Keke's two daughters and two sons. Of course, I'm sure that Keke had to write notes to their nursery school and kindergarten teachers so the youngsters could play hookey to celebrate. What's that you say? They're *not* in kindergarten and nursery school? *Keke's got kids over ten years of age?* Impossible. Nobody that looks like that could have grown children: why, Keke looks young enough to be my cousin! There is no need to scurry around, however, to find the perfect wedding gift - Keke's greatest wedding wish is easy enough to fulfill. Keke states, "All I want for a wedding present is for these ridiculous rumors to stop circulating." And we agree. If anyone wants to know exactly what is going on in Keke's life...ask **HER**.

I had the pleasure of several recent trips. First up to the Panhandle, where something fun always happens, and this time I was not disappointed. You see, a big-winning Pom person made a debut in the Pekingese ring, helping a friend show dogs. The individual in question, who shall remain nameless, asked me if his exhibit looked okay. I noted, *Well, you've got her looking like a Pom.* He shot me a funny look and went into the ring, whereupon the judge remarked, *You've got this Pekingese looking like a Pomeranian!* So there. Next time you'll listen. But welcome to the Peke ring, anyway. Entries in the Panhandle were around 40, and among the well-known Pom fanciers with entries were **Sue Goddard, Tony Cabrera, Pat Melton, Polly Ferguson, Charlotte Creed, Dr. Cheryl Jackson & Joel Taylor, Claudia Pfeffer, Sandra Territo, Othella & Sam Smith, Eleanor Clark, Adrian & Syble Alford, and Arlene Steinmetz**, among others. As I was in town on business, I did not get to spend much time visiting, nor did I get to watch Pom judging, but it was a nice weekend and the weather was fair.

I had to go back to the midwest this spring, and luckily the trip coincided with dog shows; here I had the pleasure of visiting with **Janice Luginsland** who judged the Breed for Heart of America KC and pulled a very large entry; among those entered were **Nina Epps & M. Deane Rinehart, Gwen Hodson, Bill & Pat Westlund, Terry Schultz, Keith & Ruth Ann Neuway, Bill Bullis, Paul & Barbara Curry, Mary Allan, and Ruth Schlienz.** Popular judge **Dawn Vick Hansen** was on the panel both days; and then she was off to the judge for the **International KC** in Chicago. This was an an-



niversary for delightful Dawn - the International was the site of her debut in the sport of purebred dogs...*fifty years ago.* You'd never know it. But what a nice way to celebrate, and Congratulations to you...best of luck in your next fifty years!

It may be my imagination, but Pom entries seem to be way up all over the States. Just this past weekend **Sue Kauffman** drew an entry of 35 Poms in Gainesville, Florida, which is way up from what we have

seen in recent times. Much of that is due, I'm sure, to Mrs. Kauffman's popularity among Toy people, but also I think we're seeing the start of a trend. Anytime a Breed gets the kind of publicity that we have, i.e., winning the Garden, the numbers increase across the board. I just hope for the sake of the Pom that we don't get a lot of yahoos hopping on the bandwagon, trying to breed for bucks.

Among the tried and true Pom fanciers in Gainesville this weekend were **Rebecca Mixon**; we always enjoy seeing Becky and don't get to quite enough; **Harold Collings** was on hand to add to our ringside enjoyment; **Bernie Ciliberto** was his usual self; Bernie is always fun to be around. Numerous other notables were in attendance, and made for a pleasant wait - Poms didn't show until almost 3:00 p.m., so there was plenty of time for visiting.

I recently got wind of something that disturbed me greatly. A friend sent me the following that he had received in the mail. I have hereby edited out Breed identification, Club identification, and personal identification; I think you will see why. The item read:

"Dear [Blank]; [Breed name] and [Breed name] breeders are sending entries like this to the Club Secretary and Superintendent. I am withholding five entries and I have WON under judge [Blank]. If the Clubs are not notified of the reason for lack of entries, the judging panels will never improve. We did this 5 years ago and found it to be an effective means of communication - loss of money to Clubs and superintendent."

Accompanying the note was an Official AKC entry form completely filled out, with the heading:

"In my opinion as a Breeder, this judge does not consistently evaluate entries to the Breed Standards; therefore, I shall not enter this [Breed name] in your show."

And, in addition to the above, enclosed was a notice of an organization being formed. It follows:

"Breeders For Judging. *Intent:* Forming an Organization of Breeders for the purpose of a united voice concerning judging and sites at AKC Shows. *Possible Purposes:* 1) Petition AKC to move "Bred-By" class to the last class judged rather than after Novice Class. 2) Send a list of Judges to the Clubs that the Association can enthusiastically support. Your \$5 places you on the list of concerned Breeders and provides the pin, *Breeders for Judging*, and two mailings. When a minimum of 50 breeders demonstrate their interest by wearing the pin, their names shall be mailed within the group for the selection of 7 breeders to formulate By-Laws. The second mailing will be the names of the 7 Breeders selected."

Talk about manipulation. Talk about putting a stranglehold on Kennel Clubs. Talk about blackmail. Well, all I can say is *forget it.* Try to find *two* people who can agree on a judge, let alone *fifty.* This whole thing smacks of interfering with the Democratic process. If AKC says a person is qualified to judge, then the Club must use its discretion in choosing its arbiter. And yes, withholding entries is an efficient way of voting on the competency of a judge. But an organization of people to say who can and who cannot be hired? No thanks. I'll look at the premium lists and show to whomever I want. But you're not picking my judges for me. *What are your thoughts, readers?* More about this next month, I assure you. Until then, always remember...

Poms Away!

STARFIRE'S NEW STAR...

STARFIRE'S VALENTINO



Shown winning a 4 point major from the 6-9 puppy class under judge **Mr. Ralph Lemcke**.

FLASH — *Valentino* went Best of Breed from the puppy class at Palm Beach, Florida, under judge **Mrs. Jane G. Kay**.

CH. BEV-NOR 'N SOUTHLAND TAR-LACY

Shown taking *Winners Bitch*, *Best of Winners*, *Best of Opposite Sex* at Orlando, Florida under judge **Barbara Alderman Heitzman**.

TAR-LACY finished with great style...*Winners Bitch*, *Best of Winners* for a 5 point major under judge **Dr. Harry Smith**.



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LOOKING BACK...Int. Ch. Golden Glow Dandy

By Elva Cohen McGilbry

*This little Pom was part of my life for 14 years - never away from me. He was a small Pom, never reached 4 pounds, but had a very nice, compact body, perfect sound legs, a nice clear golden orange coat, perfect show dog temperament. The then famous handler **Nicki Finn** always said of him, "A real Prima Donna." He relaxed, almost half asleep until I put his lead on and took him into the ring. Then he turned it on - everyone in the building came to the ring to watch his super performance.*

Dandy was all animation, but never made a wrong move. Once, in a class of about 10 males he circled the ring twice. The judge, **Kyle Onstott**, walked over to me and said "Will you please stand with your dog outside of the ring so I can judge these other entries?" I was scared, thinking he was dismissing me - this was my second time out with Dandy. But no, he called us back later...Dandy won his first Best in Show. There is no thrill greater than that.

As a puppy, **Dandy** was shipped to me by a breeder who wanted my opinion of what she was getting from her broods bred to my **Dromore Bombardier**. When I picked up this tiny puppy at Railway Express, he was unconscious. My heart really went wild. Even in his condition I thought he was beautiful. I rushed him to a vet as fast as I could drive. After examining the puppy he told me there was no hope but to call back later. He promised to do all he could. His nurse called me after the office closed and told me the vet had put the puppy in the garbage can but he was still gasping. She said if I wished to try to save him she would wait for me to pick him up.

I rushed to get him. I took him home. I finally found a goat farm and bought fresh goat's milk which I fed the baby Pom drop by drop for a week. It kept him barely alive. I never left the house - the doorbell and telephone were cut off so no alarm could be heard by the baby. Finally about the ninth day he came out of his coma. He was very weak, very scared. But was I ever happy. Slowly he completely recuperated. I had to



Int. Ch. Golden Glow Dandy

buy him then - he was mine.

My greatest mistake was his name... I should have named him *My Reward*. I was a local celebrity. Sports writers from Portland and Vancouver were there to interview me, etc. I trained him to show for me and he loved it, always wan-

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ting to please me. He was loved by everybody who saw him. His sire was my famous **Am. Can. Ch. Dromore Bombardier**; both Dandy and Bombardier held records in U.S. and England for siring the most champions and I was awarded certificates for that.

Dandy's Show Record

Birth date: May 21, 1948

First show at 8 months, Longview, Washington: Toy Group I (5 points)

Second Show, 1 week later, Salem, Oregon: Best in Show All

Breeds (5 points)

Third Show (soon after), San Jose, California; Best of Winners (5 points)

My precious baby a champion in three shows - always handled by me. I then took him to Canada for 4 shows in 5 days. Here he took 4 Toy Groups and 1 Best in Show to become a Canadian Champion.

I didn't campaign Dandy like I should have. I'm sorry now that I didn't. I didn't really realize what I had...I just loved him.

I only showed him 29 times and he was never defeated; 6 times Best in Show and many Toy Group wins. I retired Dandy from the show ring at 4 years of age with a Best in Show win at Yakima, Washington. Statistics-wise, isn't that a pretty near-perfect record?

Dandy was always my dream of the perfect Pom. Others I owned were great; some were Best in Show winners and many were Group winners - many of them his sons and daughters - but...**Dandy** was very, very special. □

Elva Cohen McGilbry

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The Author and Int. Ch. Golden Glow Dandy take Best in Show - Canada, 1949

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UPDATE

TOP TEN EXHIBITORS

★ JANUARY-FEBRUARY 1988 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:

The source for all points is the official show awards book of the AKC Gazette. Only this publication will be used for point credits. Exhibitors are credited with all AKC Championship points won in the Gazette year, and published monthly according to appearance in the Gazette. As keeping track of each and every AKC show in the United

States is an onerous task (accomplished diligently by AKC), many times the actual show dates will vary from the date of publication (i.e.- a September show may not be published until December.). The Gazette year, as a rule, runs from about November of the previous year until September of the present calendar year.

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 FOR 1987, JANUARY-FEBRUARY 1988 AKC GAZETTE.

EXHIBITOR.....POINTS

GALAVICH/MEGENHARDT	20
M. & B. CARSON.....	*16
P. COOK.....	*16
F. & K. FREEMAN.....	*15
P. HENDRICKS.....	*15
JACKSON/TAYLOR.....	*15
C. ROBERTS.....	*15
D. WATTS.....	*15
J. KLEIN.....	*13
JOANN REILLY.....	13
D. TRAUNER.....	*13

*Tie: placements alphabetical

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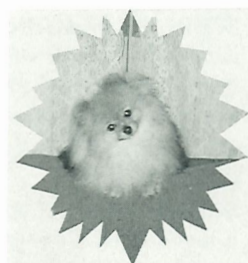
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I also want to give thanks to **Sharon Masnick** for letting us have **Krystal** and for your kindness when we lost **Cadoe**, and to all the New Friends we have made while raising our Poms.

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Desiree's Dandy Model of Rip

Ch. Great Elms Model's Timstopper

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SPECIALS ADDITION

TOP TWENTY POMERANIANS

★ JANUARY-FEBRUARY 1988 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).....	500
BEST IN SHOW (Specialty).....	250
BEST OF OPPOSITE SEX (Specialty).....	75
TOY GROUP FIRST.....	250
TOY GROUP SECOND.....	150
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 for 1987, as compiled from the JANUARY-FEBRUARY 1988 AKC GAZETTE.

POINTS	NAME (Owner)	BISA	BISS	BOSS	I	II	III	IV	BOB
1630	CH. GREAT ELMS PRINCE CHARMING II (D)..... (Piazza/Baker, Owners)	-	-	-	3	5	1	1	3
970	CH. LANA'S TOP PRIORITY (D)..... (Craig/Ejchorszt, Owners)	-	-	-	-	4	4	2	2
935	CH. PRECIOUS PETITE'S GABRIEL (D)..... (C. Pfeffer, Owner)	-	-	-	3	1	-	1	1
895	CH. GREAT ELMS PRIDE AND JOY (D)..... (B. Stetson, Owner)	-	-	-	2	1	3	-	2
590	CH. SOUTHLAND'S MR VIP O'IDA (D)..... (Creed/Jenner, Owners)	1	-	-	-	-	-	2	4
575	CH. CHRISCENDO CALVIN KLEIN (D)..... (Heartz/Miller, Owners)	-	-	-	2	-	1	-	-
565	CH. CLAIRMONT'S CAROLINA DELITE (B)..... (L. Bryson, Owner)	-	-	-	1	1	-	3	9
485	CH. HERD'S LITTLE YO YO (D)..... (B. Gibbs, Owner)	-	-	-	1	1	1	-	1
430	CH. PEDRON'S DRAGON THE CONQUEROR (D)..... (Galindo/Welch, Owners)	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	3
400	CH. IDA'S TOUCH OF BEV-NOR (D)..... (Hageman/Tarver/Creed, Owners)	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-
335	CH. BELL'S GRANDSTAND ROWDY (D)..... (B. Bell, Owner)	-	-	-	-	1	2	-	11
315	CH. SOUTHLAND'S TOAST TO BEV-NOR (B)..... (Creed/Payne, Owners)	-	-	-	-	1	1	2	4
300	CH. BI-MAR SUNDANCE KID (D)..... (M. Rosenbaum, Owner)	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-
275	CH. MILLAMOR'S I'M A WINDJAMMER (D)..... (R. & J. Stafford, Owners)	-	1	-	-	1	-	1	-
*260	CH. EMCEE'S SOLID GOLD PRINCE (D)..... (M. & B. Carson, Owners)	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
*260	CH. MILLBROOK'S EL GRAN CABALLERO (D)..... (A. LaFortune, Owner)	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1
*260	CH. WINDJAMMER'S TOUCH OF PETITE (D)..... (R. & J. Stafford, Owners)	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
250	CH. JESTOM'S CHIPS FIRST EDITION (D)..... (K. Power, Owner)	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
185	CH. TEXICAN'S GIANT KILLER CHULA (D)..... (Norma Gad, Owner)	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	1
175	CH. TOMHO ALABASTER COYOTE (D)..... (T. Hooban, Owner)	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-

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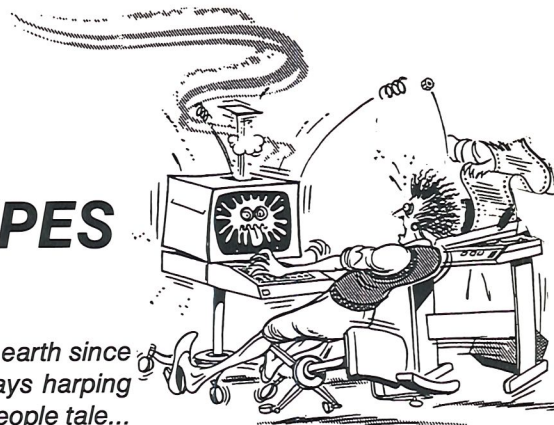
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Dogs Howl and... THE EXHIBITOR TYPES



In psychic circles it is well known that of the trillions of humans who have trod the earth since inception there are but seven basic 'types' of people. Since my operator is always harping on doggy types, I decided to jam the machine today, turning the dog's tail into a people tale...

TYPE A: Congenial, honest, searching for Answers, usually novice — which translated means an exhibitor so inexperienced they as yet have *no vice*, thus NO-VICE. Shortened, this can be spelled N'ICE. These are the types you genuinely want to help, and if you are N'ICE you do, until the NO-VICE grows into one or other of the following:

TYPE B: His name is Brag B. Bullshot III. Most people call him "BS" for short. He owns five Breeds, a converted Bus, an agent's I.D. number, but alas, no clients as yet. UnaBashed "BS" attends every show. His crates at ringside resemble the Tower of BaBylon, and his typical catalogue entry reads like this: **BULLSHOTS BARKLOTTA**, T.C. 606060, 1-2-84. Breeder/Owner. By Bullshots Boastful and Bulshot's Backyarder. (Brag B. Bullshot, agent). Owner: **Brag B. Bullshot III**. His Bon Mots consist of: "I got Breed yesterday!" (There was only one entry!). "Winners Bitch today!!" (Agent: Brag B. Bullshot hired a member of the PHA to handle his entry!) "Honorable mention in the Group!" (I'd have been placed if judge Bovine wasn't political and put up four PHA's!) But then the big day finally came. Brag B. Bullshot, agent, went Best in Show! (Well, it was really only a Match, not a show, but you'll never hear the end of it, you know.) By the By, have you guessed what the B in Brag B. Bullshot stands for? Bet there's a hundred pounds sold (or is it Bought?) every minute. B-A-L-O-N-E-Y.

TYPE C: So many words begin with C...Contras, Contraband, Collision, Collusion, Culture, Condos, Condoms...awww, *don't unplug me, I will be good!* But the only word which best describes type C is Constant. Type C is Constantly breeding, Constantly buying, Constantly selling, Constantly bragging about their own dogs and are Constantly Cennel blind. They are Constantly Copiers, breeding only to BIS dogs, and their puppies are always selling for over a thousand dollars because they are Constantly telling you that they turned down an offer of a thousand only yesterday!

TYPE D: This type is Definitely a Disaster. They are always Delirious, Disgruntled or Disturbed and simply cannot understand why they alone are Destined not to succeed. Nothing they do turns out right. In their Desperate search for 'truth' they are blinded by the Dazzle of impossible Dreams. They think the Dog they bought at 8 weeks for \$350 should turn out like the one they should have bought at 8 months for \$850. But since they have invested \$350 in the one they have and it is male and came from a famous line all the wonders of his supposed genetical background will come to the fore when they breed him to every pet bitch they can find. The simple art of basic

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TYPE E: Endymion comes to mind. For it was he who begged Zeus for immortality and eternal youth; which wish was granted with the provision that Endymion remain eternally asleep. Type E is a sleeper who breezes through whelpings, championship titles and genetical lucky chances in a dreamlike state, with no conscious idea of how he did so well. Type E is Everyman's Impossible Dream, but when Everyman attempts to take advantage of Endymion's luck and buys from him, Everyman awakes to the reality that only Endymion is blessed with his own incredible luck, his bitches producing fifty beautiful daughters even as he sleeps!

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TYPE G: Gallops into our midsts, often Garishly dressed and Garished with Gold. Type G seeks only Garlands and thinks the dog fancy a Game, speaks only in Generalities, often Garbling such phraseology as: "*My GipseYGem is number 2 All Systems, but will be Number 1 as soon as the renowned judge Gastor Gargoyle Gives him Group I at the Garden.*" Although not always practicing Guile, Type G is often seen in the Guise of a Gratified trophy hunter, writing Gobs of checks to dog show photographers and more Gobs of checks to framers and more Gobs of checks to the postal service as he mails out thirty thousand dollars worth of pictures per year to judges nationwide. This is Guaranteed to Get Gobs more results in keeping GipseYGem the Giant of the Group ring. No one really likes Type G, but neither does anyone really dislike Type G, and he Generally Gambols out of our midsts as he Galloped in, Glorified and forGettable!

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A CANADIAN BREEDER'S POINT OF VIEW

by Karen Bradshaw

YOU GET WHAT YOU PAY FOR...SOMETIMES!!!

The time has arrived and there you are...waiting excitedly at the air cargo office for your new dog to arrive. This purchase has been months in the making. You have found the breeder through the dog magazines, pictured with their beautiful Poms. This is the type of dog you like, and it should be the perfect outcross for your breeding program. You ordered a good show quality dog with the right bloodlines and the breeder sounded excited about the dog, had nothing but praise for him. So you had to pay a high price for him, but you expect that for a quality dog.



The clerk in the cargo office comes over and tells you your dog has arrived. Well, no matter how many dogs we have or new puppies we have running around, we still are excited about a new purchase. The clerk comes up to the counter carrying the dog crate and we can barely compose ourselves, while we sign the proper papers, etc. Finally we have our long-awaited dog.

You look at him in the crate and already you start getting a sinking feeling in the pit of your stomach. He doesn't really look like what you ordered. You then take him out and set him up on the crate. At this point you discover this dog is not show or even breeding quality.

At this point you are experiencing a lot of different feelings.

- A) **Disappointment:** You didn't get the dog you thought you ordered;
- B) **Anger:** This person must think I am pretty stupid, if they didn't think I would not know the difference;
- C) **Cheated:** You didn't get what you paid for;
- D) **Frustrated:** How am I ever going to ship in good dogs for my breeding program? Are all breeders going to cull their dogs and send them to me? How can I trust these breeders to send me good dogs? Do I dare chance it again? How will I ever get ahead in my breeding program?

It's a shame, but it's happened at least once to all of us, when purchasing a dog from a distance, where you can't go and see them before purchasing.

About ten years ago I received a male pup that was supposed to be show quality. When I let him out of his crate, I couldn't believe my eyes. This pup was timid, he had a poor hind end with a low tail set (gay tail) and a sparse, soft coat. As you may suspect I was a little upset. I telephoned the breeder and told her what I thought of my new Pom. She said if I wasn't satisfied, I could sell him at pet prices, and then send her the money, and she would replace the dog with a show pup.

After this suggestion I knew she had sent the dog to me to sell at my expense. I told her I wasn't keen on the idea, as I didn't want to sell a dog like that out of my kennel. Due to the pup being nervous and upset from his flight, I couldn't ship him back. At this point I didn't know if I was suffering from a soft head or a soft heart. I did sell the pup for her, but didn't feel good about it.

This breeder did send me a good male Pom later, that was indeed a nice one. *But I did feel used.* Because of this breeder, treating me as she did, I never purchased from her again and never will.

It is so important that we represent our dogs as they really are to prospective buyers. If people want a show dog, then we sell them

just that. Breeding stock should be good specimens of the breed, with no major faults, and can produce show or could be shown themselves.

Now since we all have been breeding for good temperament, as well as good conformation and coat, a pet quality pup is not a lame Pom. A pet puppy usually has ears that maybe are a little bit big, coat not as thick, too big - or small - for the Standard, etc. These faults don't interfere with him being a good pet.

A show and or breeding Pom should have a replacement guarantee if they cannot reproduce naturally.

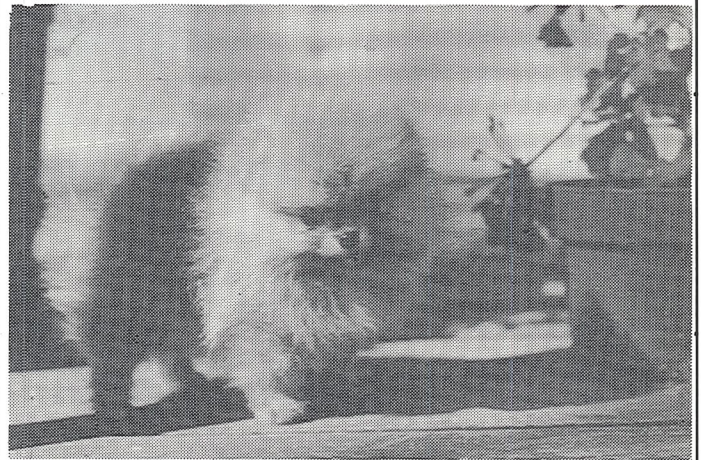
When we don't send out the best stock possible, it can only hurt our kennels. People won't be satisfied and they will talk and pass it along. Secondly, they and their friends will never purchase from us again.

The Old Testament says, "*Do Unto Others As You Would Have Them Do Unto You.*" I have mentioned this before, but oh, how important it is...

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MIDWEST NEWS

Jeanne Stafford



Well, things sure are busy here in the Midwest. Lots of shows with good entries, we are sure to see a lot of new champions in the near future!! Remember to send me a note bragging about your wins so I can include it in this column! Be proud of those dogs!

Speaking of proud, we do have a very proud midwesterner!! **Bonnie Stetson** of Ohio called me a few weeks ago with a SMALL BRAG, just a *BEST IN SHOW* on her *Ch. Great Elms Pride and Joy*. The proud breeder is **Ruth Beam** of course, and this win came just a few weeks after the Westminster win on *Prince*, a full brother to this new Best in Show winner. My congratulations to you all!

Well, Bob and I are starting a new project in the spring, and we need your help. We are building a new kennel building and would love your input. What has worked for you? What would you change about your kennel? What suggestions do you have for us? I would really like to see some kennel plans of yours if you could send them. They will be promptly returned! We are only planning a small scale kennel, not over 10 (possibly 15 with puppies). Any input you have will be appreciated. *Until next month...*

Jeanne Stafford

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CLUB NEWS...

Carolina Pomeranian Club: Anyone interested in forming a local club for North & South Carolina — please — we want you to come to our first meeting. There will be food, fun, dog talk, friends, fellowship, more dog talk and a Pom video. We plan to get together on June 11 at 2:00 p.m. **Ken Griffith** has graciously offered his home for our meeting. We want a big turnout, so mark the date on your calendar and plan to attend. *We can't do it without you!*

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POET'S CORNER

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By **Bobbie Stoffer**

Who can look into that 'smiling' face
with twinkling eyes so bright,
And not be coaxed to play awhile,
or throw that ball just right?

A tiny paw that 'taps' your leg
insisting that you look;
"NOW IT'S TIME TO PLAY WITH ME
PLEASE PUT DOWN YOUR BOOK!"

Reaching up that little head
to rub against your hand;
Brushing up against your leg, 'saying'
"CATCH ME IF YOU CAN!"

Personality-Plus is a POM
cleverly capturing your heart;
Not with Cupids' arrows, but
with a tiny bark.

Gaily prancing 'round the room
delighted you are there;
"JUST HAVE TO HAVE YOU WATCH ME
CHASE THAT 'FLYING' BIT OF HAIR!

"SEE ME ROLLING OVER
MY PAWS UP IN THE AIR
"GEE, I EVEN FOUND MY TAIL
(WELL I KNOW IT'S THERE SOMEWHERE)

"WILL YOU COME AND FOLLOW ME
I HAVE THIS BOX OF TOYS
"JUST WAITING TO BE SORTED OUT
IT'S FOR BOTH GIRLS AND BOYS.

"PLEASE LET ME GO WITH YOU
I LOVE RIDING IN THE CAR.
"WELL, DON'T FORGET TO COME RIGHT BACK
I'LL BE WONDERING WHERE YOU ARE.

"IT'S ALMOST TIME TO GO TO BED
I'M READY FOR THE NIGHT
"CURLLED UP ON THE PILLOW THERE,
UPON YOUR SHEETS OF WHITE;

"NESTLED CLOSE BESIDE YOU
I WILL KEEP YOU FROM ALL HARM;
"GIVING YOU MY HEART AS I LAY
WITH MY HEAD ACROSS YOUR ARM."

Bobbie Stoffer 2/88

LETTERS...

Dear Joe,

Please send the PR to my new address here in South Carolina...a new territory where I didn't know anyone. It's been terrifying but a good decision.

The worst part about leaving Michigan was saying goodbye to **Jeanne & Bob Stafford**. I'll miss those caring and sensitive friends. Hope to see you at a show someday!

Thanks — **Shannon Johnson**
P.O. Box 218, Gloverville, SC 29828

Dear Shannon...Had enough of the snow, huh? Well, you picked a nice area in which to relocate; you're about one hour from Augusta, Georgia, aren't you? And a stone's throw from Burnetown and Aiken. But, you know, had you just set down about 100 miles to the northwest, your address would be...**Shannontown, SC!** (I'm not kidding.) I can't wait to hear **Shu-Shu** bark with a Southern accent! Best of luck in your new home - hope to see you soon. **JMcG**

Dear Joe,

An awesome time of year; long circuit, bad weather, year-end business books, more shows ahead, juvenile Poms (like in delinquents) demanding full time attention, and that sweet old gentleman of spring waiting just around the corner - Mr. I.R.S.! Don't blame you for combining February and March issues. In face, a good idea for the anniversary issue; maybe it will be a nice, big issue. Looking forward to it, as we always look forward to the **Reader**.

Being as busy as the proverbial one-armed paper hanger does not make it conducive to sending in a perfect ad copy. But knowing you are perfect — hold it, meaning in ad layout! — gives us heart in looking forward to our ad, as we know you and your staff and your boss, **Cynthia**, can 'fix up' this awful copy.

Enjoy all the articles in the **Reader**, like **Showsight** (my, what wit!), **ViewPoint** and **Generally Speaking** (always informative), **Olympia** (that machine needs oiled, let me tell you) and all the other contributory columns which appear from time to time. Enjoyed **Sally Baugniot's You Judge Too** last issue. I have always gotten a kick from the 'respected' judge routine. Sally is right. If you didn't respect the judge then doubtless the win would have meant nothing, and you probably would not have advertised the win. The only time an adjective like 'respected' means anything is when a hard worker looks back on his work, receives a pat on the back and feels he/she is 'respected' for a respectable job well done. Which is WHY, I feel, MOST breeder/exhibitors place ads in magazines. It is to inform fellow breeder/exhibitors what you are breeding, striving for, and winning with, i.e., publishing your success, lookin' for a little 'respect'. Right? In that case, more of us need to advertise whether we have anything for sale or not.

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Amen! And by the way, whether you want to or not, you can not move up by Shannon Johnson; there is no city called Ciliberto in the Carolinas, north OR south! (Of course, there is Bern, Switzerland, but you can forget about that! That's too far!) **JMcG**

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A POM THAT SAVED MY LIFE

By Dixianne Bennett

I had wanted a Pom for thirty years, and finally time and circumstances were going to allow it. So I started searching for a good-quality linebred bitch. After about an eight month search, I located Walden Eight Pomeranians, and so changed my life forever. Little did I guess that the little ball of fluff that went home with me some time later, would in a short time, save my life.

Not knowing anything about Poms, but knowing enough about raising other animals, I left the selection to the breeder, **Colleen McFarland**. After explaining to her what it was I wanted and needed, she went through the available litters and selected two females. She said that both were suitable for my needs, but felt she would put a little heavier emphasis on the larger female since I wanted to breed her. So was selected **Effie**.

She was delightful and entertaining as we integrated her into the family. She terrorized our German Shepherd as a puppy, grabbing hold of his tail and swinging on it. They are the best of friends now. She acts as a hearing ear dog for him, since because of age he is hard of hearing. Effie finished her obedience class (being the only toy to do so) and my husband and I were so proud of her. When she went RWB at six months of age, we were delighted.

Because of her growing affection for my husband, I transferred her papers to my husband's name for his Father's Day gift. About two months after that time I was lying on my bed, playing some of the other Poms we had since acquired (they are addictive). Normally if my husband is home, Effie is usually found within a couple feet of him watching him at whatever task he may be working on at the moment. That day, however, she came leaping onto the bed with me and the other Poms. Not to play - she ignored them, but very intently she moved to my side looking me in the eye as she did so. She then climbed up on my chest and stood there looking me straight in the eye for about ten to fifteen seconds. She then leaped down and went back to where my husband was working in his shop.

The place where she had put her right front paw hurt. I reached to rub the spot and froze; my husband came into the room as he heard me cry out, "oh, no". For precisely in the spot where Effie's paw had been was a lump. It was cancer. A particularly nasty type that spreads rapidly and easily throughout the body, if not discovered early enough. I couldn't believe it. I had been outside (lower 48) and had a complete physical (taking three days of tests) only nine months before. I had been assured then, that I was in excellent health.

After the biopsy, while I was healing from the minor surgery, none of the Poms were allowed to come and jump up on my lap. The day before I was to go outside for further treatment, they were finally allowed to come and do so. Effie hung back until everyone else had jumped back down to the floor. She then leaped to my lap and stood on her hind legs, placing only one front paw on my chest and looked me right in the eyes again, just as intently as the first time. My heart turned over, for where she had placed her paw on the other side there was a painful twinge. I couldn't believe; two different doctors and numerous tests had shown there were no other



lumps, but exactly where Effie had placed her paw, was another lump. This time on the other side.

Now, once might have been a coincidence, but twice in a two week period, the odds are a little bit too high. My doctors (in the end the total was seven different ones) all shook their heads. The doctors told me because the tumors had been discovered at such an early stage the prognosis for a complete recovery was very good. Never before or since that time has Effie jumped up and done the same thing, *Thank Goodness!* My recommendation is, that no woman over 40 should be without her own Pom. Her Pom could end up saving her life as Ef-

fie did mine.

So Effie has earned another award, her P.C. (Privileged Character). She sets an excellent example for our other Poms, teaching them their manners by her own good behavior.

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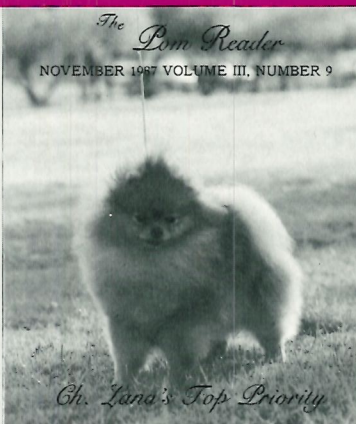
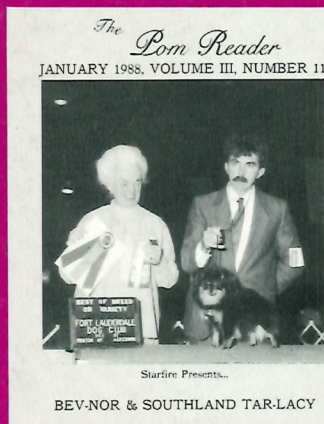
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