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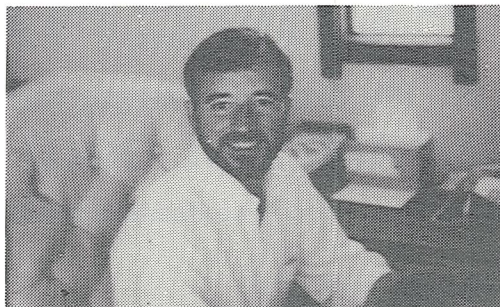
Of course, if I didn't have to work, I could do all of the things that I have to pay others to do around here while I'm working. Not that I mind working, you know, but I mind the way other people work when they don't work the way I think they *should* work. Or the way I *would* work. Take for example **Junior & His Wife**.

Some years ago it became quite apparent that I did not have the time to maintain the lawn. In order that we not become overgrown, however, we necessarily had to find someone who could do it. Following this there was a succession of yard-management types hanging around the place. First there was the up-and-coming new lawn care professional who arrived, impressed me with incredible photos and rock-bottom rates, and seduced me into signing a contract. Then he left. Three days later a man resembling a panhandler knocked on the door. He was here to care for the yard. *Well, it's right out there, over there, and back there*, I offered, in case he had missed it. Presuming he went out to do his work, I went back to mine. Soon he was back. "May I have some ice water?" he inquired. *Sure, it's right up there, the glasses are over there, and the ice is in there*. I returned to what I was doing. Again he knocked. "Do you have an extra can of gas?" *You didn't bring gas? Well, okay, it's over there behind the cars*. I got the gas for him. It wasn't enough. "May I use your phone?" *Yeah, sure, you can use the phone*. Twenty-seven minutes later he went back outside. No, I did not eavesdrop, but I could not figure out why he had to call his wife, his brother, and a friend to tell them that next time he would bring his own extra gas. Ah, well, what did I know? I thought you started a mower, drove it around until the grass looked short, and then stopped, but then my own experience as a professional lawn person was less than stellar. Maybe this was the way the pros did it. I sighed to myself and forgot about it.

Soon he was back again. "Do you have a weed-eater?" *Sure, it's in the back of the barn, but don't you usually FINISH the lawn before you trim?* In answer to my question he shrugged, and ambled away across the yard. I watched out the window for him to reappear. He didn't. I went back to work. He still didn't come out of the barn. I went out and ran into him. "I'll have to go get the company weed eater", he decreed. "I've never run one like yours." Then he was gone, and I went back to work.

Long about two in the afternoon he returned with no explanation for the lengthy delay. *You know*, I mused, *in the time you have gathered up all your things I could have mowed AND RAKED all ten acres*. He shrugged again and I went into the house to call his superiors. I was just getting ready to throw a real snit when I finally, and for the first time that day, heard the whine of a mower out back. I went back to work with one ear geared to outside sounds. But something was amiss. It seemed to me that the sound of a mower, in the course of travel, alternates in pitch. This one just hummed the same note, a D flat if I'm not mistaken, and I found it odd. I went outside. And there was the mower, idling in place, having cut a strip possibly twelve feet long. I hollered for Duane, whom I had kept apprised of the day's progress — or lack of it — and when Duane came outside I yelled *Do you believe this? And using our gas! WHERE IS THAT STUPID S.O.B.?* Whereupon the person in question popped out from behind a shrub, obviously roused from a much-needed nap. I threw him and his mower off the property and cancelled the contract with the company. (And then they tried to get me to pay the six-month balance, and of course did not succeed, but that's another story.)

And speaking of story, quite a time was had in Texas by all, and there are numerous stories to tell. I refer, of course, to the recent



cluster of shows in Ft. Worth, at which I was happily in attendance. The Dallas-Fort Worth Pom Club held its Specialty on Friday, and there were three All-Breed shows following that. I got a chance to visit with **Janice Luginsland**, who was on a busman's holiday, observing the Peke Specialty, and I watched quite a few classes of Poms, but there wasn't much time to spend with all the people I would have liked to spend time with. **Olga Baker** and I had planned a secret date

to go dancing — don't tell **Darrell Baker** — but she stood me up, so from now on, until Darrell has recovered from his leg injury, Olga can just do the *Watusi*, solo. Or is it the *Texas Two-Step*? I don't know, but whatever it is they do, Olga and I didn't do it. Maybe we'll just wait for the **APC Specialty** and then we'll do the *Manhattan Minuet*, much more proper anyway.

But getting back to the lawn, if we must. One year some friends of ours had a brainstorm; two of their children had decided to go into the lawn care business and our friends mortgaged the manse to provide the very latest in high-tech maintenance machines. And of course we were their very first customers. These kids showed up, radio headphones blaring, Gravelys roaring, high-pressure air things — to whoosh around the left-over grass — blasting, and the very latest in trimming equipment whining. Oh yes, and futuristic vacuum devices sucking up everything but the cement. They went through the place like a hurricane, and we thought they were great. But they only lasted a short while; then they got bored and retired. The last time I went over to our friends', their garage resembled a fully stocked, if slightly dusty, Lawn & Garden Department at Nieman Marcus.

But getting back to **Junior & His Wife**; after several unsatisfactory attempts at hiring yard people, we interviewed the aforementioned duo. They did not look like your usual garden variety workers. They were quite up in age; they were not tan, and unlike their predecessors, they had no fancy gadgetry, nor manicured office and grounds. They took our calls at a tavern, and arrived whenever we needed them. We were never sure, but there were times we thought they had been at the tavern BEFORE they came to cut. On those days, they would make incredible, sweeping passes around the property, in random fashion, at top speed, waving at each other as their mowers crossed paths. (Our insurance agents are at this very moment having collective cardiac arrests; we never told them about Junior & His Wife) We had to run FAST across the yard if we wanted to go out; mostly we stayed IN until they finished. At that point in time we had several vehicles, one a classic of English extraction. The Juniors would roar between the cars and I would close my eyes in terror. But they never left a scratch. And their machinery broke down without fail, but they always came back when it was fixed. They would stagger around with the weed machines — then I couldn't even look out the window. But when they got done, the place was gorgeous, and they would have been proud if they could have seen it.

But for the four years they worked for us, they always had a smile on their faces, and so I was understandably surprised the day they showed up with frowns. And they looked very strange: clean shaven (him), coiffed (her), dressed up, very somber and sober. They could no longer work for us, they reported. *Why?*, I asked, *Aren't you happy here?* Well, yes, they were happy, but there was something they had to show us. We walked out to the truck, and there on the front seat was the most adorable little girl you ever saw. Three years old, blonde. Adopted. And the light of their lives.

The last time I saw Junior & His Wife, the kid was going on five; the Jr.'s had both had full-time, INSIDE jobs for two years, and the smiles on their faces were for real, this time. *Good luck, Junior & His Wife & Their Girl. My lawn can wait.*

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AMERICAN POMERANIAN CLUB 1988 SUMMER NATIONAL SPECIALTY

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 1989 • DES MOINES, IOWA

By Judge Janice Luginsland

I would like to thank the **Pomeranian Club of Greater Des Moines, Inc.**, the host club for the **1988 Summer National Pomeranian Specialty**, for inviting me to judge my first National Specialty. It will always remain a very special memory for me. The show was efficiently managed with a lovely trophy table, excellent home-cooked meal and capable stewards. The video filmed by **Jane Lehtinen** and **Bob Fiddick** was excellent. If anyone has the opportunity to view this video, it is certainly worthwhile.

Unfortunately, early September is not a prime time for Pomeranian coats and the entry was not as large as I had anticipated. The other clubs in the cluster co-operated by having Pomeranian breeder-judges for the four days of judging. I do appreciate the exhibitors who supported the club with their entries even though their Poms might not have been at their best coat-wise.

I was looking for a typey Pom with good balance and soundness, adequately coated with the typical Pomeranian personality. I found that head types were generally good. I found no exhibits with overly large ears but a few ear placements that could have been higher. Bone size was generally medium which can only be determined by feeling as some Poms carry much heavier leg hair than others. Back length was short to average with good level backs. I do not remember a roached back in any entry and only two that were a bit low in the shoulder. Tail sets were generally good with several exhibits having end of tail lying on side rather than straight up the center of the back. There were some stifle problems either noticeable in table examinations and/or in gaiting. I feel breeders must try to achieve proper balance, correct angulation in front and rear with soundness in legs in breeding programs.

My lineup for Best of Breed was lovely to behold. The ring was large and gave each exhibit an opportunity to space himself adequately. The hot weather had taken its toll on some of the dogs' coats. I do thank all the exhibitors who presented their Poms so well and made my job both easier and HARDER!

My selection for Best of Breed went to **Ch. Emcee's Solid Gold Amigo**, bred by **Mrs. James Dupre, Sr.**, owned by **Marlene & Frank Penney** of Milton, Ontario, Canada. He was handled by Marlene Penney. He was a red with shading, medium size, attractive head with good expression and pigmentation, compact body, movement good coming and going and particularly well balanced in side movement. He was in adequate coat for time of the year and with good texture to coat. He acted as if he were enjoying his outing to the United States.

My Winners Dog was from the Bred By Exhibitor class, breeder/owner **Jane Lehtinen** of Minnesota. He was a clear orange in good coat for the time of the year. He had an attractive head with good wedge and nice ear size. He had a compact body with short back set off by high tailsetting. He was balanced in his angulation exhibiting good movement front and rear. He was shown at the proper speed for him.

My Winners Bitch and Best of Winners, **Jestom's Miss**



Wonderful, came from the 6-9 puppy class. She is bred and owned by **J. & T. Stephens** who were in the process of moving back to the West Coast. I truly felt she is the type of Pom that should go on to help this breed. She is a red/orange, nice size with enough leg to be stylish. She had a solid, cobby body with short back coupled with four good legs which gave her good movement with proper side movement and extension. She showed in typical puppy fashion being interested in everything going on around her and with short attention span. I hope I have the opportunity to see her again when she is fully mature.

My Best of Opposite Sex was **Ch. Cherlyn's Ain't She Sweet**, bred and owned by **Cheryl Bergerson** of MN. She is a lovely female of ideal size in my mind, good coat of proper texture and good density. She has a sweet expression and good ear placement; compact, cobby body with good legs and movement and balanced angulation. She, too, enjoyed her time in the limelight!

FIRST PLACINGS

Puppy Dogs 6-9 Months: **JOLEES SPIKE D-ORNG CAROUSEL**. Owner: **Joan L. Williams**, Colorado Springs, CO.

Puppy Dogs 9-12 Months: **MI BABES M CRASH**. Owner: **Babe McCombs**, Ola, AR.

American Bred Dogs: **LON-DU I AM A DANDY**. Owner: **Arlon Duit**, Monticello, IA.

Open Dogs, Black, Brown, Blue: **HIGHVIEW'S MIDNIGHT APOLLO**. Owner: **Rose & John Hansen**, Belderville, WI.

Open Dogs, Red, Orange, Cream & Sable: **ROCKY'S CHIP OF GOLD**. Owner: **Virginia Rockhold**, Albers, IL.

Winners Dog: **JAN-LE'S RAGTIME MUSIC**

RWD: **ROCKY'S CHIP OF GOLD**

Puppy Bitches 6-9 Months: **JESTOM'S MISS WONDERFUL**. Owner: **J. & T. Stephens**, WA.

Puppy Bitches 9-12 Months: **ANNON'S THE PEGGING FORCE**. Owner: **Ann Cannon & Linda Napolitano**, Manassas, VA.

Novice Bitch: **COURBETTE'S RISE & SHINE**. Owner: **Victoria Leitner**, Bonnie, IL.

Bred-By Exhibitor Bitches: **ANNON'S BONNIE BLUE**. Owner: **Ann Cannon**, Nokesville, CA.

Open Bitches, Red, Orange, Cream & Sable: **BELTANE SUCH A SPREE**. Owner: **Paul & Barbara Curry**, MI.

Winners Bitch: **JESTOM'S MISS WONDERFUL**

RWB: **BELTANE SUCH A SPREE**

Veteran Dogs: **CH. MIDAS ROCK TEMPO**. Owner: **Jonathan & Roberta Massey**, Iron, MN.

Best of Breed: **CH. EMCEE'S SOLID GOLD AMIGO**. Owner: **Marlene & Frank Penney**, Milton, Ont., CN.

Best of Winners: **JESTOM'S MISS WONDERFUL**. Owner: **J. & T. Stephens**, WA..

Best of Opposite Sex: **CH. CHERLYN'S AIN'T SHE SWEET**. Owner: **Cheryl Bergerson**, Chisago City, MN.

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THE POMERANIAN CLUB OF GREATER DES MOINES SEPTEMBER 1988 SPECIALTY SHOW

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 1989 • DES MOINES, IOWA

By Judge Sally Baugniet



I had an unexpected opportunity to judge Poms for the **Pomeranian Club of Greater Des Moines** the day after the **American Pomeranian Club Summer Specialty** in Des Moines. **Darrell Baker** fell while going downstairs at his home. I understand he has a very bad break to one of his legs and has a cast on his entire leg up to his hip. **Darrell, heal fast - good luck!**

Needless to say, I could not show my bitch I had entered at either of the two Specialties, nor could I watch Friday, September 9th at the A.P.C. Specialty. Someone else will hopefully give you a critique of that show. [Ed. note — see **The American Pom Club Specialty** by judge **Janice Luginisland** in this issue. **JMcG**]

This year the Pom Club of Greater Des Moines held their specialty with the all-breed Central Iowa Kennel Club show so the A.P.C. could take their usual Friday date. The results of the judging are as follows:

Puppy Dogs 6-9 Months: **POM PUF'S SPUNKY'S STARR SPARKLER**, breeder-owner **Gwen R. Hodson**. A very sound moving, nicely coated puppy. A larger sized puppy but not too large for me. Nice proportions and a good attitude.

Puppy Dogs 9-12 Months: **SILLBERG'S FUN N FROLIC**, breeder-owner **Ruth A. Ellis**. A very nice smaller type pup. Well balanced and good moving.

Bred By Exhibitor Dogs: **JAN-LE'S RAGTIME MUSIC**, breeder-owner **Jane Lehtinen**. A nicely proportioned dog. Good rear movement and very well presented. This was my **Reserve Winner**.

Open Dogs, Brown & Blue: **HIGHVIEW'S MIDNIGHT APOLLO**, breeder-owner **Rose & John Hansen**. Pleasant head, medium sized black. A single entry.

Open Dogs, Red, Orange, Cream & Sable: **MULLER KAZAR SUNGOLD ILLUSION**, breeder, **Lillian & David Muller**, owner: **Richard Lackey**. Orange, well balanced, good moving dog. **Winners Dog** and **Best of Winners**.

Puppy Bitches 6-9 Months: **JESTOM'S MISS WONDERFUL**: breeder-owners **Jessie & Tom Stephens**. Such a fantastic bundle of dynamite. Watch her when she grows up!

Puppy Bitch 9-12 Months: **MCKAMEY'S RUFFLES & LACE**, breeder: **Mrs. Norris McKamey**; owner: **Peggy & Autumn Roberts**. We had some very nice puppies in this class. I liked the carriage and coat of this puppy.

Novice Bitch: **COURETT'S RISE & SHINE**: breeder-owner **Victoria Leitner**. A single entry.

Bred-By-Exhibitor Bitch: **ALLAYN'S ROCK OPERA**: breeder-owner **Mary Allen**. A very nice single entry.

American bred bitch: **POM ACRES SERRA NADE**; breeder-owner **Juanita Fiddick**. A single entry.

Open Bitches Red, Orange, Cream & Sable: **BELTANE SUCH A SPREE**; breeders **Barbara Currey & JoAnn Schiffer**; owners: **Paul & Barbara Currey**. A very nice orange bitch overall. True front and rear gait, but bounced. This was **Winners**.

Veteran Dog: **CH. MIDAS ROCK TEMPO**; breeder-owner **Jonathan & Roberta Massey**. A gorgeous Veteran in beautiful coat and full of vim & vigor.

Best of Breed: **CH. PEDRON'S DRAGON THE CONQUEROR**; breeder-owner **Peter J. Galindo & Ronald L. Welch**. A cobby, beautifully coated orange. Head carried proudly and high. True free and easy gait, front & rear. He went on to Group 2nd.

Best of Opposite Sex: **CH. CHERLYN'S AIN'T SHE SWEET**; breeder-owner **Cheryl Bergerson**. A very nice heavily coated specials bitch.

I wonder if we as breeders sometimes lose good fronts and rears in our quest for "cute" faces and huge coats. Contrary to what some people will tell us, a Pom is a dog which should be able to romp and play with other dogs, free of crippling pain and free of as many defects as possible. Poor legs and patellas are a big problem in our breed. This may be perpetuated by the breeder who thinks a Pom only has to be cute and can be carried from the couch to the food dish. The Pom has the potential to be more than that. It is intelligent. If it has good legs, the Pom could be tops in obedience as well as an excellent pet.

Let us raise Poms that are sound, not just "cute". Can you say your Poms can jump on the couch and back down without help? Can they romp and play painlessly with each other? Do they walk on all four legs or are they one of those mathematical Poms — put three down and carry one? □

Sally Baugniet

Desiree's Poms

1 B&T male, whelped Feb. 29, 1988. Sire: Desiree's Dark Danny Boy; Dam: Desiree's Pom Pom.

1 B&T male whelped Dec. 25, 1987. Sire: Ch. Desiree's Rippling Fudge. Dam: Desiree's Fancy Charity.

1 B&T male - Desiree's Dark Danny Boy whelped Feb. 15, 1986. Sire: Desiree's Smoky Mt. Boy. Dam: Desiree's Fancier Faith. "Danny" is the litter mate of Desiree's Chriscendo Colorful, a B&T who finished his Canadian championship in 2 shows, despite the fact that B&Ts are hardly recognized in Canada.

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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:

Points (not to be confused with AKC championship points) are allotted to individuals according to the highest placement in any given AKC show, as reported in the **AKC Show, Obedience and Fields Trials Awards Book**. *Only this source will be used for point credit.* 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. Tie placements will be marked with an asterisk and listed in alphabetical order. The following is the listing of the Top Twenty Poms, through the SEPTEMBER 1988 AKC Gazette.

POINTS	NAME	BISA	BISS	BOSS	I	II	III	IV	BOB
11285	CH. GREAT ELMS PRINCE CHARMING II (D)..... (Piazza/Baker, Owners)	9	1	-	18	10	5	4	6
4430	CH. GREAT ELMS PRIDE AND JOY (D)..... (B. Stetson, Owner)	4	1	-	6	1	5	3	8
2200	CH. APOLLOETTE MOONLITE GAMBLER (D)..... (M. & M. Presser, Owners)	-	-	-	5	4	4	1	10
1420	CH. PRECIOUS PETITE'S GABRIEL (D)..... (C. Pfeffer, Owner)	-	-	-	4	2	1	1	2
1315	CH. TIM SUE'S HIGH LIGHTS (D)..... (Luginsland/Goddard, Owners)	1	-	-	2	-	3	2	4
1270	CH. SHY ACRES OUR MAN FRIDAY (D)..... (N. Burnette, Owner)	-	-	-	3	3	-	-	7
1170	CH. HOMESTEADS SPIT 'N POLISH (D)..... (J. Hurley, Owner)	1	-	-	-	2	3	1	12
1140	CH. LANA'S TOP PRIORITY (D)..... (Craig/Ejchorszt, Owners)	-	-	-	-	5	4	2	4
1120	CH. WHARTON'S SEPPI VON HONIG (D)..... (Coke/Wharton, Owners)	-	-	-	2	2	3	1	7
960	CH. BI-MAR'S SUNDANCE KID (D)..... (M. Rosenbaum, Owner)	1	-	-	-	3	-	-	1
925	CH. BELL'S GRANDSTAND ROWDY (D)..... (B. Bell, Owner)	-	-	-	1	2	2	1	20
905	CH. SUN RAY'S BATMAN (D)..... (F. Rodrigues, Owner)	-	-	-	1	3	2	1	3
830	CH. PEDRON'S DRAGON THE CONQUEROR (D)..... (Galindo/Welch, Owners)	-	-	-	2	2	-	-	3
770	CH. SYSAME CLEAN SWEEP (D)..... (S. Schlienz, Owner)	-	1	-	-	1	3	1	12
755	CH. CHRISCENDO CALVIN KLEIN (D)..... (Hertz/Miller, Owners)	-	-	-	2	1	1	-	3
680	CH. MIXON'S ROSSI OF FRIPP (D)..... (L. Collings, Owner)	-	-	-	-	1	4	2	18
625	CH. TEXICAN'S GIANT KILLER CHULA (D)..... (N. Gad, Owner)	-	-	-	1	1	2	1	5
610	CH. MIDAS FASCINATING RHYTHM (D)..... (J. Lehtinen, Owner)	-	-	-	2	-	1	1	1
600	CH. SOUTHLAND'S MR. VIP O'IDA (D)..... (Creed/Jenner, Owners)	1	-	-	-	-	-	2	5
585	CH. STOLANNE THUNDERBOLT THOR (D)..... (F. Stoll, Owner)	-	-	-	-	2	3	-	6

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★ TOP TEN EXHIBITORS ★

JANUARY THROUGH SEPTEMBER 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 Pomeranians 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 this area. The procedures for tallying the point scale are as follows: Exhibitors are credited with all AKC Championship points won in the calendar year, as published in the **AKC Show, Obedience, and Field Trials Awards Book**. *Only this publications will be used for point credit.* Many times the actual show dates will vary from the date of publication (i.e., a September show may not

be published until November). The Gazette's calendar year runs from about October of the previous year until September of the present calendar year.

Points are allotted to the REGISTERED OWNER OF THE DOG ON THE DAY 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 AS OF THE JANUARY THROUGH SEPTEMBER AKC GAZETTE.

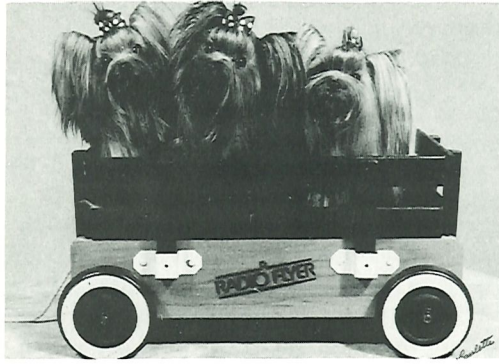
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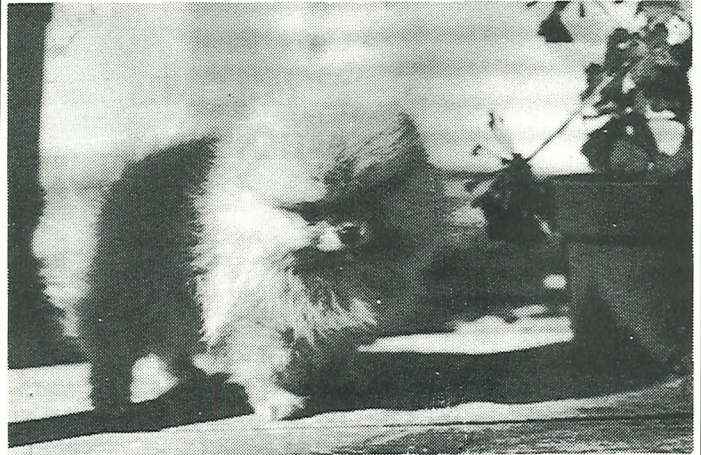
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A CANADIAN BREEDER'S POINT OF VIEW

by Karen Bradshaw

THE PARVO SCARE

This article was written in December of 1982 for the Canadian Pom News. I had parvo in my kennel the summer of 1981. This is how I coped with the unknown at that time.

In July, 1981, we arrived home from a two-week vacation to find one of our Pom puppies with enteritis. She was at that time six months old. I got out my *Vansup* and gave her a dose that would stop a train and figured she would be right as rain by morning. The next morning she wasn't any better, so I gave her another dose and due to the fact she was a little weak, I gave her some *Nutrical* (diet supplement in a tube) to pick her up. Well, by noon she had picked



up some, but sheer instinct told me I wasn't dealing with a simple case of enteritis. So off to the Vet's we went.

My Vet took one look at my Pom and said, "YOU HAVE PARVO IN YOUR KENNEL." Well, right away my brain started over-working, trying to figure out where did I pick this up? Panic set in as I thought of my fifteen remaining Poms at home, the results of seven years of breeding. How was I going to endure losing my little dogs? At this point I was on the verge of tears and despair.

The only way to help the situation was to get a grip on myself and start to think positive. The first thing on my mind was to find out as much about the disease as possible. Secondly, how can you kill it? Thirdly, did they have a vaccination I could give my dogs (other than feline origin)?

Well, I found out that the Parvo virus attacks the healthy dividing cells in the intestinal tract. These cells rupture and bleed. This causes the bloody enteritis. The virus is passed from one dog to another in the stool of an infected dog. This virus is so strong that a dog can relieve itself on a sidewalk, the mess is then washed away by rain, you walk over this area without knowing and pick up the virus on your shoes. Then you take it home with you.

The girl that was minding my kennel while I was away, had walked into my kennel with street shoes on about a week before we returned.

Also, Parvo remains in the dog's stool up to eight weeks after infection. The only two known disinfectants that will kill this virus are formaldehyde and chlorine bleach (like Javex).

Well, I was lucky in the fact that the first shipment of the killed virus serum had just arrived at my Vets. I took enough home to do all my dogs and vaccinated them right away and again two weeks later.

Armed with twelve gallons of Javex bleach, I assaulted my kennel. My plan of attack was as follows:

1. Placed a foot bath at the door of the kennel with a strong solution of Javex and water in it, wore rubber boots and walked through it going in and out of the kennel; changed the foot bath every day;
- 2) Each Pom stayed in his own kennel for six weeks after the last outbreak (Seems cruel? *It saved their lives!* And stopped the spread of the virus.)
- 3) Scrubbed out all pens and the floor with strong Javex solu-

tion and water every day; Kept windows and doors open.

4) Always wore rubber gloves for cleaning out pens or touching dogs, and left them in Javex solution when not in use;

5) Washed all clothing worn in kennel in strong Javex wash.

6) Allowed no outsiders in kennel.

7) Cleaned the run out and raked it well; put all findings in plastic garbage bags and locked them up until they could be taken to the

dump. (Always threw bags into the pit out of reach of other dogs.) Papers are usually damp so they don't burn successfully. With a weed sprayer, I soaked my runs with a strong solution of Javex and water; also sprayed the fencing. This I did twice.

8) Checked the Poms every three hours day and night and cleaned out the pens every trip. In doing this I could keep track of when they went last, if they were vomiting, not eating, etc.;

9) At the very first sign of the virus, I gave the Poms *Vansup* (antibiotic used in the treatment of scours). In most cases this coated the intestines and stopped the diarrhea. I also gave penicillin orally. Most of the adult Poms had a light case of Parvo. I think this was due to the serum as it was a week after the pup got it that the other Poms started. The Poms had been vaccinated a week by then. This treatment only works for mild cases. The severe ones need intravenous fluids, for dehydration, so you must get them to your Vet.

Well, you might say, looking at this regimen, how can one individual hold up for a whole month at this rate? It wasn't easy! I was a walking zombie, kept going by the love I have for my Poms. After a whole month of fighting the battle, I lost only two of my Poms. The battle was well worth fighting.

A catastrophe such as I went through is avoidable. you see, only two of my Poms were vaccinated for Parvo as I was showing them. Due to public controversy, I hadn't done the rest. Vaccinate all your Poms with the killed virus serum. (The live virus will shed off in the stool. As yet my vet won't let me use it. *) My pups are done at six weeks, eight weeks, and again at twelve weeks. I haven't had a recurrence in my pups because of this regimen. All my Poms are done every six months with the killed virus. Again - no recurrence.

Don't wear street shoes in your house or kennel. Have guests take their shoes off at the door. Don't let people into your kennel. Foot baths are a good idea at the kennel door during the warmer months. Use one pair of boots or shoes for the kennel only.

Don't let all your Poms run together in the kennel house. Get them separate pens. (Large Airline Kennels work well.) If a dog is off its food you know it immediately. If he is sick you can tell right away. When they run together and eat

together it is sometimes too late by the time you have found the Pom with the problem.

All outside dogs coming in for breeding should have had a booster within the last six months. Insist upon it!

Hopefully, these suggestions will help you.

Well, you know, one month after my Poms had been sick, my son came running up to the barn yelling for me. Knowing the urgency in his voice, I went running out to him. He yelled, "Mom, I have good news and bad news. The good news is Lucy had a litter of pups and the bad news is she had them in the kennel." Well — I told him that wasn't all the bad news, as I couldn't remember breeding her — so who was the father? We ran to the kennel and put the pups in my shirt and moved the family into the puppy room in the house. Looking at the pups, I said they should be from a certain male, but he was too small to reach. Later I looked at my breeding records and I had indeed bred her just before our vacation.

I had been so mentally and physically exhausted that I had forgotten completely about her and she had hidden them so well I didn't suspect her pregnancy. Well — here this female had had her pups in a kennel that less than a month before had been full of a deadly virus. All of them grew up healthy with no problems at all.

The first litters from two of my females that had parvo died within three weeks of birth. The second litters were 100 percent okay. All other females showed no problems at all.

Since the parvo epidemic here we have serviced nine outside females (all had been vaccinated) without any reinfection to them or their offspring. To date, one and a half years later, we have had no recurrence of Parvo. If you ever suspect parvo in your Poms, call your veterinarian right away. The Pom can start out with depression, vomiting and the diarrhea, or any one of these symptoms. Early treatment is of great importance. Remember — you only fear what you don't understand.

By the way — we saved that little Pom who had parvo.
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TOO MANY PURE-BRED DOGS?

by Pam Guevara

I thought many people would find these two sets of numbers interesting to compare. The set from 1947 came from an old **AKC Gazette**, and I compared them to the registrations from the month of November, 1987, as per the **AKC Gazette**.

I've long contended that there are simply too many pedigreed dogs being bred and registered — too many being produced to make a fast buck. Nothing in these figures has given me reason to change my mind. The difference alone between the totals for these two months adds up to more than the entire human population of Eau Claire, Wisconsin — a moderately large community. Take that difference for a year and you have a number roughly equivalent to the total human population of the state of Montana, and far exceeding the populations of the states of Delaware, or Wyoming, or Vermont, or either North or South Dakota. That's just the *difference!* The total number of dogs registered with the AKC in 1987 would exceed the population of several more states. The total number of dogs registered in the past 10 years would place AKC dogs — if they lived in a state of their own — 9th overall in population in the U.S. between Michigan and New Jersey in *total* population.

That's one HELL of a lot of dogs. Forgetting the puppy mills, I think we ALL ought to be more careful in our breeding programs!

The following is the difference for ONE month, November 1947 — November 1987, in the Toy breeds alone:

TOY GROUP		
Breed	1947	1987
Affenpinschers.....	—	9
Brussels Griffon.....	7	19
Chihuahuas.....	465	1457
English Toy Spaniel.....	16	9
Italian Greyhounds.....	1	69
Japanese Chin.....	7	56
Maltese.....	—	889
Miniature Pinschers.....	93	383
Papillons.....	2	73
Pekingese.....	633	1305
Pomeranians.....	524	1962
Pugs.....	72	769
Shih Tzu.....	—	2444
Silky Terriers.....	—	179
Toy Manchesters.....	184	—
Yorkshire Terriers.....	20	2477
TOTALS	2024	12100

Difference: **PLUS 10,076**

The following is the total for each Variety Group, November 1947 — November 1987:

VARIETY GROUP	1947	1987
SPORTING GROUP.....	7863	21900
HOUND GROUP.....	3193	8500
WORKING & HERDING GROUPS*.	3796	19300
TERRIER GROUP.....	1743	5800
TOY GROUP.....	2024	12100
NON-SPORTING GROUP.....	2346	15700
TOTALS:	20965	83300
DIFFERENCE		+ 62,335

*For purposes of tabulation, Working & Herding Groups are combined; prior to the early 1980's, the breeds in our current Herding Group were classified as Working Breeds.

The author has been involved in the sport of purebred dogs for many years. For most of this time she has been associated with the top winning dogs of **KNOLLAND FARMS**, owned by **Edward B. Jenner**.

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Ear Mites? Or...ONCE IS QUITE ENOUGH! Ivermectin, product name **Ivomec**, which I have heard lately you all are talking so much about as a control for internal parasites, is an exceptional product for treating ear mites. I have not used it internally, and so know nothing about that principle, but my vet gave me Ivermectin in a squeeze bottle (mixed with sterile water, 1 part Ivermectin, 1 part water) as an alternative to messy, oily, matting and long term (ugh!) ear mite treatment. 2-3 drops in each ear ONE time does the job in most cases. Only in one stubborn case did I have to go back a week later to repeat the treatment. Since my initial meeting up with this product I have purchased it in a 50 ml. bottle from a dog wholesale supply house (most of them advertise it) and the price ranges anywhere from \$29.00 to \$35.00 for a 50 ml. bottle; but the price is worth it, considering it is mixed 10-1! And considering that ONCE IS ENOUGH!

R U Cling Free? Those cling free sheets we use in the dryer have two good uses in Pommiedom. They are simply marvelous to use as anti-static reducers on those electrically charged show days; one

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swipe down the slant of britches or over the tail plume after it is brushed and spread over back will get rid of the hair raising static. I also use cling frees to wipe those hardened areas under eyes where tear-stainers 'weep'; avoiding contact of the sheet with the eye itself. This softens the hardened area and it wipes right off, with no more squealing or resistance from the dog.

It's PARKAY, not BUTTER! I luv butter on my bread, but my 'operator' insists on budgetary margarine! However, whichever of these products you place on the butt of your newborn puppies for a dam who does not think butts are biscuits the dam will lick off the wonderful stuff, and thereby get the idea of what SHE is supposed to do — so you won't have to do it!

Vanilla Float, Anyone? One drop of vanilla extract on a dog's nose will keep him from mat sniffing for bait in the show ring, and a few drops rubbed into the fur of a newborn pup who has to be given to a foster dam will rid the pup of the real dam's scent and make acceptance by the foster dam easier.

FILTER IT! The spongey type of room or window air conditioner filters (the ones with no plastic edge trim or backing) placed in the washing machine with doggy towels and bedding will collect most of the hairs that cling to such materials. The filter will emerge covered with hair balls. These I brush off with a slicker brush, dry and re-use again and again.

DON'T MOVE, STAND STILL...This is a stick-up! Awww, put your hands down, I don't have a gun! But sometimes I wish I did, like when I see young dogs being — literally — dragged around for 'training'. And it isn't the dog's fault, it's the trainer's. Did you know that the best method of training a young dog to walk on a lead is simply to make him become used to the feel of a lead? Like, horses first wear halters before they are bridled. The first few times a young dog, (and 8-10 weeks is not too young) is put on a lead just stand still, or sit still, watch TV or read a newspaper, with one eye on the pup of course, and let him get used to the feel. Don't put a lead on and start walking! The pup will walk around, maybe paw at the lead a little, get interested in some object or movement around him and discover the limitations of being on a lead without ever knowing the startlement of being dragged to his task. Every now and then give him a little snack-treat, talk to him, and without putting any undue pressure on his tender neck he will feel the limiting tensions of his new situation just by the flick of your wrist in controlling the lead; no need to use your whole arm to pull the dog around. After such a pleasant way of becoming used to the lead the pup will just naturally want to follow you when you *finally* do start walking away with him. Practice this in your living room or kitchen. It keeps the pup trainee from losing that precious liveliness that he was born with.

The hint cupboard, unlike the cookie jar, isn't yet empty, but I've got to go out for more cookies...

'til the dog howls again — OLYMPIA

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