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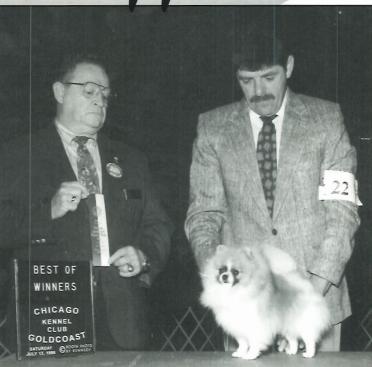


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Our sincere thanks to the bold judges that put her up against some stiff competition and our handlers Lloyd & Raeleen who took on the challenge... and made it seem easy!

ALDEN'S KENNEL

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Thank you Mr. Luc Boileau (pictured) for BOB and Tom Conway for Group II. The same Texas weekend as "Klark" won BISS Under Darrell Baker!

"KLARK" is resting on his 12 Group I, Multi Group placing and 2 BISS laurels this summer; he will fly again in the fall!

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Thank you judge Mrs. Jacqueline Stacy for BOB AT THE NATIONAL SPECIALTY

Olympia, Washington 1996



CH. JAN LE'S JUST A DASH OF MILLAMOR

Thank you Jackie Rayner for your wonderful handling of my kid!

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THANK-YOU'S TO:

BREEDER MARIA KNEISLER – for letting me have this wonderful dog and for all your kind advice and help
 HANDLER CATHY ANDERSON – who showed Sam to all his points and took such loving care of him
 JUDGES: MR. JOE TACKER, MR. J.J. HUPP, MRS. J. STACY, MR. F.T. SABELLA, MR. ALAN HARPER,
 MR. T.W. BALDWIN, MRS. P. HOGG, MRS. S.B. TIETJEN, and MRS. C. A. HERBEL (pictured)

"Sam" is a gorgeous red sable with a harsh, profuse coat. He has a great layback, nice length of leg, and stands well up on his toes. He is a sound mover with a sweet temperament! His wonderful breeding — mostly Bev-Nor and Great Elms — incorporates some of the very finest lines.

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Dupre's Sparkling Gold

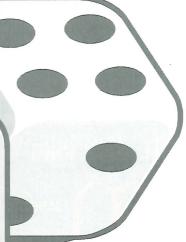


Flash Casino finished under Mrs. Alfred Treen at Topeka KC Next day went BOB under Arlene Czech Thank you Judges!



Casino went to visit his handler Jerry Owens and laid the cards on the table for a 4 point Major BOB win over specials under noted Toy Judge Mildred K. Bryant....





He then rolled the dice in Washington and walked away with a 5 point major under Jean Schroll

Breeder/Owner **Mrs. James R Dupre Sr.** 10649 US Highway 71 N Colfax, LA 71417 **318-627-5180** The Pom Reader / September 1996

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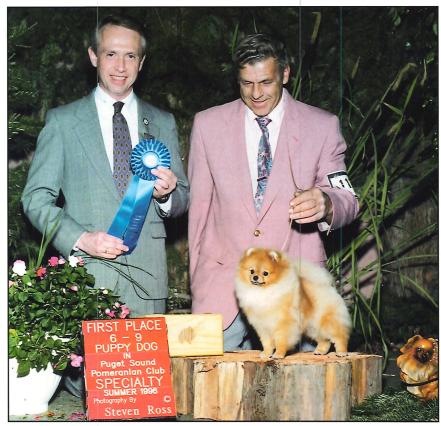
8/17/96 • 3 pts. BOW - "The Finishing Touch" Pam Peat
8/18/96 • BOB over 3 Grp. Winning Specials Don Sutton
8/16/96 • BOW for "Nicky's" blk. son, Heartland's Knight Ryder Tom Baldwin
Thank you all for recognizing that Champions come in all colors.

Congratulations to my good friend, Fran, and the lovely StolannePoms. Best Wishes for future success in breeding the "exotic" colors. — **Dianne Kieffer**

HEARTLAND'S TOP GUN TRADITION

7/26/96 • BOB from the Puppy Class Helen Lee James 8/18/96 • 3 pts., BOW from 6-9 Puppy Class Don Sutton

"Cruise" and his human mom wish to thank all his fans at the Washington Specialty for their support; and Thanks to Marlin & Marlene Presser & Ron Fehy & Larry Rookstool for their care and handling!!



(Heartland's Almost An Angel x Ch. Rock 'N Tradition Of Oakridge)

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GO WEST, YOUNG POM, it said; they did, and the people that love them followed right along...

You cannot travel much farther from my home in Florida and still remain in the continental United States; one doesn't make the trip to Washington State without a very good reason. When invited to judge Sweepstakes for the American Pom Club's '96 Summer Specialty I had several things to take into account: one, a very heavy workload; two, a very heavy workload, and three: a very heavy workload. To devote the time necessary to such a trip is not a decision one makes lightly. It took me all of 23 seconds to say Yes.

And that's because a Specialty affords luxury that the average all-breed show

cannot afford: it is a time to renew acquaintances and meet new friends; a time to learn from the greats and share knowledge we've been lucky enough to acquire; a time to see Pomdom's finest strut their stuff in large, exciting numbers. It is, in short, the ultimate celebration of the breed and the people who

work to keep it strong. That these gatherings are not only educational but also a great deal of fun is the icing on the cake.

We had no doubt

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that the cake itself would be a masterpiece; with Marlene & Marlin Presser as guiding lights any event would be well-run. From beginning to end this Specialty cluster showed all the signs one would expect from two past masters at the helm.

One could not have found a better show site than the West Coast Tyee Hotel - in fact, it's not a well-kept secret. (As Pom people were moving out, Dalmatian people were moving in for a Specialty of their own.) The hotel staff went overboard to make sure that dogs and people were given the red-carpet treatment. All efforts were made to ensure comfort and security for Poms and people alike. And from all reports everybody thanked the hotel in the best way possible: I did not hear one complaint from the management about the dogs. As finding hotel space for dogrelated functions is one of the sport's pressing concerns at present, I was proud of my fellow Pom lovers and their respect for the property of others. It is my understanding that the hotel is to be razed and a new facility built in its place. We can only hope that the new Tyee Hotel will be as dog- and dog-ownerfriendly as the old. In any case, it was a great place for a show and a fine time was had by all.



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, The Puget Sound Pomeranian Club is devoted to encouraging the owning, breeding, and exhibiting the Pomeranian dog and the protection and advancement of the breed in Washington State and the Pacific Northwest; and

WHEREAS, The Puget Sound Pomeranian Club has earned the honor of sponsoring the 1996 American Pomeranian Club National Specialty; and

WHEREAS, the 1996 American Pomeranian Club National Summer Specialty is to be held in Washington State on August 8, 1996,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mike Lowry, Governor of the State of Washington, do hereby proclaim August 8, 1996 as

POMERANIAN APPRECIATION DAY

in Washington State, and I urge all citizens to recognize this observance.

Signed this 31st day of July, 1996

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Governor Mike Lowry



The judges relax after a tough job... yours truly with Marlene Presser, Jackie Liddle Stacy, Nadine Hersil, and Fred Bassett.

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To be included on the roster of judges for these events was an honor I will never forget. The expertise represented on the panels was fairly daunting: Obedience evaluation was the job of Pamela Weaver, Noreen Gonce Cartwright, and Jill Jones for CPC, APC and PSPC, respectively; Sweeps awards were presented by Marlene Presser, yours truly and Nadine Hersil, and toplisting the events were Regular Class judges Jean Schroll, Jackie Liddle Stacy and Fred Bassett. I must admit to an attack or two of nerves prior to arrival, for the responsibility such an assignment carries is large; I said as much to my best friend and partner, Duane Doll, and this was his advice:

"You know what you like, and what you like is the Standard. Just go in and find it." That what I like would be present in such large numbers was an event I could not have foreseen.

With total entries topping out at 175 the three days were a veritable bonanza for a Pom lover looking to find good Poms. All the judges agreed that the depth of quality across the board was pleasantly high; parties and socializing notwithstanding it was apparent that all had come to Washington with one main purpose: to showcase this breed we love so much. The Poms we saw were evidence of the good work breeders are doing, work that has put the breed in the great shape it presently enjoys. Next month we will share comments and critiques from the judges; they are enlight-



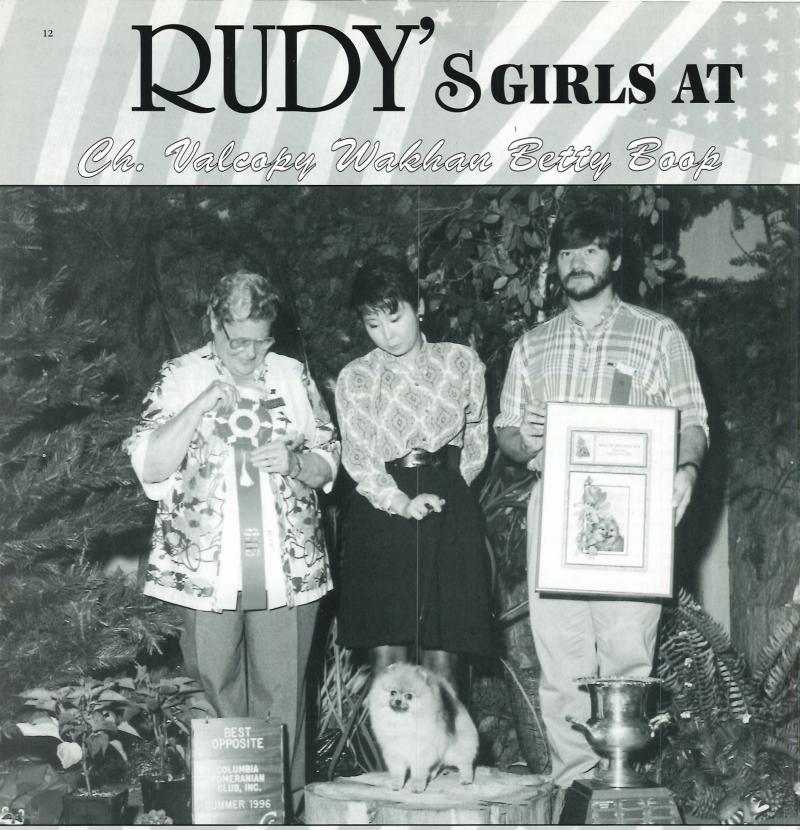
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ening and encouraging. And although the highlight of my trip was the time I spent in the ring, placing a very close second was the time I spent with the lady largely responsible for the breed's current high status: the President of the American Pomeranian Club, **Dolly Trauner**.

Mrs. Trauner is a woman I have admired for many, many years; her dedication to this breed and this sport is truly legendary. With degrees in animal husbandry and genetics her grasp on the problems that face her fellow breeders is firm; her natural abilities have made her a leader respected and loved by all. The stroke she suffered some time back may have slowed her speech but it certainly didn't dull the razor-sharp mind; even on our best days it's always been hard to keep up with Dolly. I wish her many more years of good health, because we love her...and because we need her.

More about Washington next month in *The Pom Reader*, where <u>every</u> day is Pomeranian Appreciation Day. Until then I hope you always remember that only through cooperation and fellowship will this breed continue to grow, improve, and thrive. There is nothing we can't do when we work in concert, from Washington to Florida, from New Hampshire to New Mexico, all across America...from sea to shining sea.

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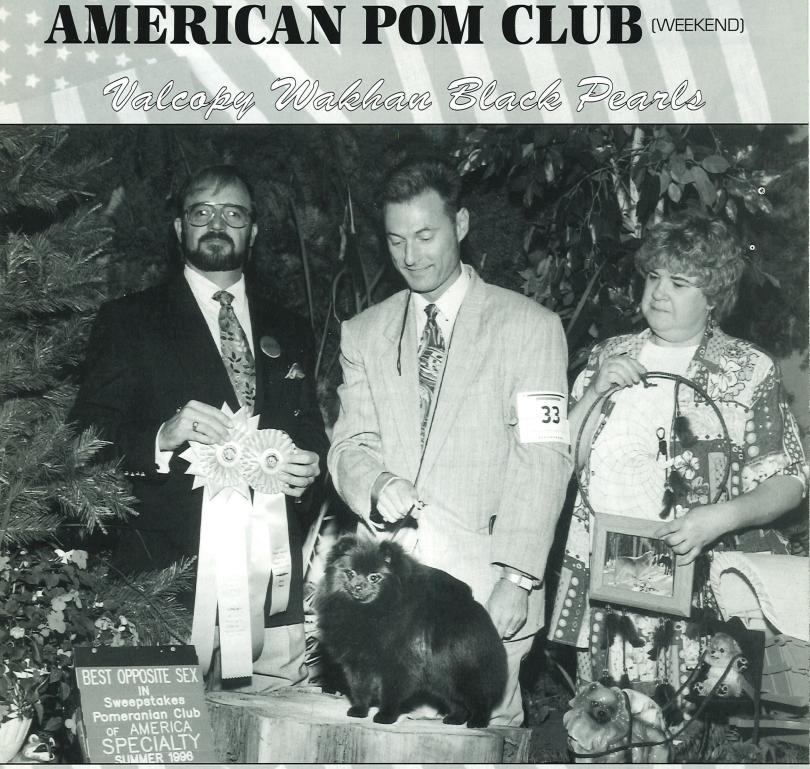
CH. VALCOPY WAKHAN VALENTINO x VALCOPY WAKHAN RED RIDING HOOD

THANK YOU TO BREEDER JUDGE JEAN SCHROLL FOR THIS WONDERFUL WIN.

Thanks to Hideko for handling our little dynamo!!



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ID YOU KNOW... When it comes to pet care, we usually get what we pay for. It isn't possible to have it cheap, good and fast! If we look for a discounted or cheap rate, we must be prepared for a difference in quality and perhaps a long delay, and less help when we really need it. Sometimes, people who are just starting a business will charge less to get more business. Those who offer better services for less are quickly swamped with business. The only options are to charge more or ask their customers to wait for the services. In some instances a new business partner is hired and we are asked to start seeing them and we no longer see the person we started with.

If we want an instant solution for our problems, we must be prepared to pay for it or get less than perfect results. There are some problems that do not have instant "fixes" and take time to solve. If an animal has spent years developing a behavior problem, it is unreasonable to expect a cure overnight. If we expect a "fast" solution, we may not be able to get the most qualified person.

If we expect the highest quality work, we must be willing to pay more. The most qualified people are usually the ones who are most busy. A specialist may be the only one who can solve the problem. Most professionals have a waiting list and increased rates for work-ins.

When we feel we want it good, cheap and fast, we must consider the long term effects it will have on our animals.

ID YOU KNOW... Contrary to widespread belief, Champion bitches *can* free whelp,

care for their offspring, and still keep a coat...

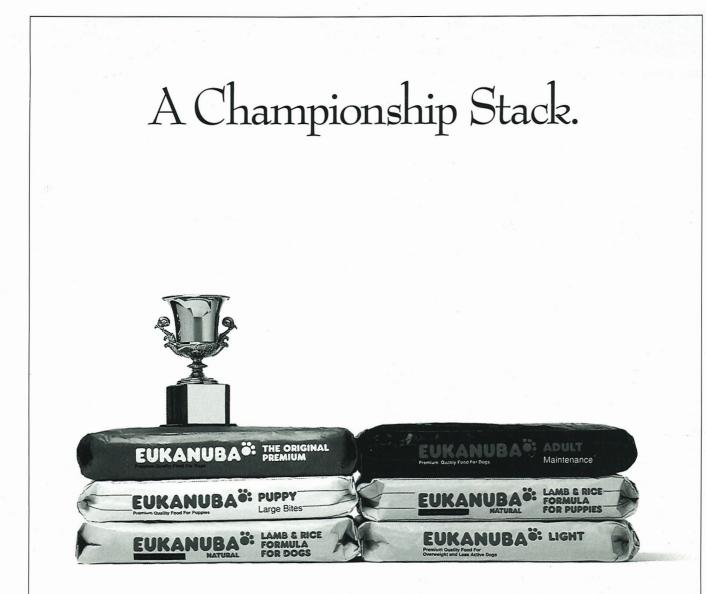
So often we hear wonderful stories about the past greats. Dogs that were special and were remembered for their great accomplishments during their lifelong careers. All of us at one time, have had a very good Pom that has been outstanding in his or her prime and would like people to hear about it. However, many go unnoticed or unrecognized and unappreciated until their short life is over.

Recently, Louise and Neal Sprouse visited Benson and me and it was a fun afternoon of talking Poms, exchanging experiences, and looking at pictures. This was a great way to relax after we had all stuffed ourselves on a wonderful meal prepared by Benson. I encouraged Louise and Neal to do an article on the most influential little girl at the Lu-Neals home. The following is an account of Ch. Great Elms Teaka of Lu-Neals.

This little girl is not a past great, but very much alive, and has been a very busy Pom during her lifetime. Her name is probably unknown to most of you, but even though she might not be on the top ten list of world achievers, her pedigree speaks for its self.

Ch. Great Elms Teaka of Lu-Neals was always a champion, even when she was only one day old, in the eyes of her breeder and owners, Louise and Neal Sprouse of Greenwood, South Carolina. Teaka was one of three puppies, and of course being the only girl made her even more special to them. The two boys in the litter were sold and

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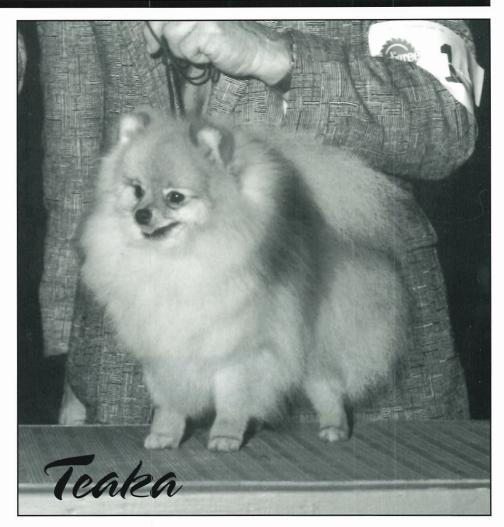
Teaka is a seven-and-one-half year old female who has produced nine litters over a period of five and one half years. She is a pretty orange, has a correct coat, high tailset, and has an outgoing personality. In the past few years, she has gotten a little bit more reserved due to her age or perhaps she knows that she can be aloof after all her accomplishments.

Little did Louise and Neal know when Teaka was born that she was not only going to be their first champion, but that she had the capabilities of producing champion offspring more than once, and that she would become the most influential little girl in the Lu-Neals breeding program by being the most consistent in her reproduction and <u>never</u> having to have a "C" section.

As the years have passed, Teaka was bred to a variety of lively boys and she always rewarded Louise and Neal with high quality offspring. They became a family very proud of Teaka. I want to mention that Teaka has always produced at least one girl in every litter and that she never loses her coat before or after whelping litters.

Teaka has all Great Elms breeding behind her except once with BenRay Poms and once with Millamor Poms. Ch. Great Elms Timmy Timstopper is out of the famous Great Elms Bobby Beam and the memorable Great Elms Sweet Candy. Even though the Sprouse's bred Teaka to a variety of excellent males, she always produced the same typey, showy little kids that she herself was made of.

Teaka's first litter was in February of 1991 after being bred to Ch. Great Elms Sweet Prince. She free whelped three puppies. One of these puppies became her first



champion, Ch. Lu-Neal's Chip of Teaka.

From then on Teaka was bred to other top quality Champion males and from these breedings always free whelped males and females. Many of these puppies were deserving of their championship but were sold to be family members in homes where having a loving pet overruled the show circuit at the time. Showing dogs was limited due to health problems Louise had to face.

Teaka has been the Sprouse's dream, and unlike most dreams, this dream has come true and the dream continues on in her progeny. From a recent litter, Teaka has a son, LuNeal's Makin a Mark currently nearing his championship shown by Mary James. She has three more offspring soon to hit the show ring.

I want to thank Louise and Neal for sharing their dream with us. In a breed fairly well known for troublesome whelpings and girls who never quite regain their glamorous coats following motherhood, it is refreshing to share the story of a little girl who could do it all.

See you next month!

Sharon Masnick 2007 Vestry Drive Charleston, SC 29414

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In an activity such as conformation dog showing, the joint effects of competition and emotional involvement subject all who participate to a number of vexing conditions (if you prefer). These common hazards can be neatly sidestepped if we remain aware of them, realize how damaging they can be and resolve not to succumb to their unhealthy effects. In doing so, we not only become better dog fanciers, we also enhance our opportunity to be the owners and breeders of better dogs.

Kennel blindness is pervasive, throughout the dog fancy, sapping the objectivity of every affected individual. If we as dog keepers, aiming for the best quality possible in our stock, can not see the flaws as well as the strong suits in the stock, we are in deep trouble. Those persons who are seriously kennel blind will not only not be able to upgrade the quality of their breeding and buy wisely; they will unwittingly a bet the loss of quality in their own dogs because they won't be able to see it slipping away. By the time the kennel blind fancier becomes aware of the problem (if ever), the damage is done, mediocrity is established and heroic efforts are in order to get one's thinking and perceptions back into a constructive groove once again.

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The whole purpose of participating in competition with other fanciers is really to compare breeding stock. That purpose is sadly diminished in today's version of the sport, but it is so nonetheless. We all want our dogs to win as frequently as possible, but we know it's more likely that they will lose far more frequently than they will win.

The wise fancier accepts this and takes this fact of dog showing life as an incentive to breed and own the best possible dogs, show them in the best possible condition under judges who would be expected to select this type within a breed. The wise fancier also knows when, given the caliber of the competition, it will be an easy stroll to the winners; circle, an exciting contest between a number of deserving specimens or whether there is no way. This is part of what makes showing dogs as they should be shown, a true pleasure.

Strive always to maintain a sense of balance and objectivity in your own view of your own dogs. Never sell them short, but as you take pleasure in their virtues, THE POM READER / SEPTEMBER 1996 be honest about their faults. In this way, you have as good a chance as possible of not becoming one of this hazard's sad statistics. But, be warned there is yet another fancier hazard which is a variant of kennel blindness. It, too, is pervasive and you'll know it when I describe it. I call it...

... Mary Yellow Syndrome. A fancier is affected with MYS when he or she shows the same symptoms we normally associate with kennel blindness. The difference is the mis-evaluation is applied to a friend's dog rather than one's own. We have all endured the well-meaning, if unsolicited verbal panacea of an associate delivering a postmortem on a dog of ours after a defeat. We would all be better served to do without such. This person may not even be from your breed and may not know enough about your breed to even form a valid opinion. Indeed, from outside the ring what can an MYS sufferer really know about the dogs in competition or what the judge seeks or finds upon which to base judgment? "The answer of course is Nothing!" Mary Yellow Syndrome is a self assumed proxy outrage. The logic is "Mary Yellow is my friend, so her dogs are the best and if they don't win, the judge is either an incompetent, a crook or both. The name is my creation. The behavior pattern is the fancy's.

What could be more annoying than coming out of a ring with your latest hopeful only to be greeted by a wellmeaning fool all set to tear into the judge of the day because you, not your dog, did not win? MYS can only be cured by the resolve of the affected person. Sadly, most who suffer from the disorder never realize they have it. And it's safe to say that if many affected knew they had it, they would probably do nothing about it. Beware of Mary Yellow Syndrome even if you need to embark on a lifelong course of objectivity to overcome its dire effects. At the risk of making a really bad pun - MYS can really leave your perspective permanently jaundiced.

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Another common hazard that makes regular inroads with dog fanciers' value judgments is the distressing tendency to hold an opinion of a person against the merit of a dog. We have often been admonished that it is acceptable to breed to a dog owned by our worst enemy if he is the best consort for our bitch. That's really true, but for most of us it takes an enormous leap of restraint to do this.

Judges are often put into the position of overlooking the actions of, shall we say, strongly focused competitors in order to make objective judgments on the dogs before them. This is not simply limited to aggressive handling. If aggressive handling was all it took to strike the right balance, it would be easy to do so. There are gambits - in use like telephoning judges to appeal to them for wins. There is intimidation and all the other tiresome maneuvers to bring those wins in. Quite often the dogs that are the object of these efforts don't even need such help. Many have quality enough to compete on their own merits, but the human side of the equation never sees this and tries a tack chest full of absurd ploys to win underhandedly when it is so much easier and more satisfying to win honestly.

Those who truly know what their dogs are and know the deeper satisfactions of the sport do let their dogs' merit speak for itself. Given a fair chance a good dog will proclaim its own merit more effectively than any trickery or posturing ever could.

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We are very proud of this Best of Breed, over specials, at the Chicago International under Jackie Stacy. "Asa" would also like to thank Judge Wanner for the Group 3 (from the classes) at the Oshkosh show.

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Columbia Pomeranian Club, Inc. Wednesday, August 7, 1996

Sweepstakes Judge: Mrs. Marlene Presser

Puppy Dogs, 6 Months and Under 9 Months

- 1 Elan's Connoisseur Owners: Melissa R. & David K. Dahlenburg
 - Heartland's Top Gun Tradition Owner:
- Dianne Kieffer

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- 3 Janessa's Righteous Tradition Owner: Maria Kneisler
- 4 Fan-C's Captain Terrific Owner: Florence Scott

Puppy Dogs, 9 Months and Under 12 Months

- 1 Absolute's Woody Win Owner: Jeanne & Robert Blank
- 2 Finch's He's A Moonwalker Owner: Randy Buske & Diane Finch
- 3 Donara's Texican Dragon Owner: Erika K. Moureau
- 4 Jan-Shar's The Puck Stops Here Owner: Barbi Kutilek & Sharon Hanson

Puppy Bitches, 6-9 Months

- 1 Chas-T-Dee's China Doll Owner: Charles & Dee McNeice
- 2 Chriscendo Contemptress Owner: Christine D. Heartz & Patricia Chapman
- 3 Valcopy Wakhan Camielle Owner: Janell Reich & D. Plonkey & R. Gemmill
- 4 Stillcove's Precious Moment Owner: Dorothy & Norman Trosino & Cynthia M. Bradley
- Puppy Bitches, 9-12 Months
- 1 Watt's Little Whitney Owner: Delores A. Watt
- 2 Valcopy Wakhan Black Pearls Owner: R.C. Gemmill & D.L. Plonkey
 - 3 Chriscendo Centre Piece Owner: Delores A. Watts
 - 4 Jan-Shar's Starburst Owner: Barbi Kutilek & Sharon Hanson

Best In Sweepstakes Elan's Connoisseur

Best Of Opposite Sex To Best In Sweepstakes Chas-T-Dee's China Doll

Veteran Sweepstakes

Dogs, 9 Years and Older

1 Ch. Tim Sue's High Lights Owner: Tim &

Sue Goddard Best In Veteran Sweepstakes

Ch. Tim Sue's High Lights

Regular Classes

Judge: Mrs. Jean B. Schroll

Puppy Dogs, 6 Months and Under 9 Months

- 1 Elan's Connoisseur Owner: Melissa R. & David K. Dahlenburg
- 2 Heartland's Top Gun Tradition Owner: Dianne Kieffer
- 3 Damata Northwest Spirit Owner: Daryls Flaata
- 4 Jan Shar's No Way José Owner: Sharon Hanson

Puppy Dogs, 9 Months and Under 12 Months

- Jan Shar's Baby Huey Owner: Sharon Hanson
- 2 Jan-Shar's The Puck Stops Here Owner: Barbi Kutilek & Sharon Hanson
- 3 Finch's He's A Moonwalker Owner: Randy Buske & Diane Finch
- 4 Donara's Texican Dragon Owner: Erike K. Moureau
- Bred By Exhibitor Dogs
- Jan Le's Makin Trax To Pompeii Owner: Jane Lehtinen
- 2 Daystar Leslie's Batter up Owner: Leslie Bracken & Karen Power

- 3 Kilei's No Worries Owner: Kelly D. Reimschiissel
- 4 Salange's Justyn Thyme Owner: Sally Lou Lind

American Bred Dogs

- 1 Raintree Everybody's Talk'N Owner: Kathryn Hartz & Susan Holderman
- 2 Mi-Babe Rainbow Painter Owner: Jean Cook

Open Dogs, Black, Blue, Brown

- 1 Gailellen's Inkspot Of Wynmor Owner: Roberta Podolin
- 2 Treasured Deans Black Shadow Owner: Dean Herbert

Open Dogs, Red, Orange, Cream, Sable

- 1 Dupre's Sparkling Goldcasino Owner: Mrs. James R. Dupré
- 2 Woodrose's Tobasco Cat Owner: Clarice & Yvette Oganeku
- 3 Jan-Shar's Jumanji Owner: Sharon Hanson
- 4 Johnstoy's Hi Plains Drifter Owner: Alice Carlson

Winners Dog: Dupré's Sparkling Goldcasino

Reserve: Jan-Shar's Baby Huey

Puppy Bitches, 6-9 Months

- 1 Chriscendo Contemptress Owner: Christine D. Heartz & Patricia Chapman
- 2 Valcopy Wakhan Camielle Owner: Janell Reich & D. Plonkey & R. Gemmill
- 3 Stillcove's Precious Moment Owner: Dorothy & Norman Trosino & Cynthia M. Bradley
- 4 Jane's Princess Patticakes Owner: George S. & Jane E. Reed

Puppy Bitches, 9 -12 Months

1 Leslie's Daystar Samantha Owner: Leslie Bracken & Karen Power

- 2 Jan-Shar's Star Burst Owner: Barbi Kutilek & Sharon Hanson
- 3 Valkopy Wakhan Black Pearls Owner: R.C. Gemmill & D.L. Plonkey
- 4 Sungold's Truly Precious Owner: Frank Reich

Bred By Exhibitor Bitches

- Stillcove's Soul Provider Owner: Cynthia M. & James N. Bradley
- 2 Extane Lil Ms No Kiss Owner: Sharon Shipek
- 3 Two T's TLC Sassy Salsa Owner: D.M. & N.N. Trosino & C.L. & T. Gillespie
- 4 Watt's Little Whitney Owner: Delores A. Watts

American Bred Bitches

- 1 Raine's Rhett Butler's Dream Owner: Marcia Cox
- 2 Goldspun Kewpie Cuddles Owner: Margaret K. & Daniel Ontiveros
- Open Bitches, Black, Blue, Brown
- 1 Treasured Deans Ange-Noir Owner: Dean Herbert

Open Bitches, Red, Orange, Cream, Sable

- 1 Daystar FG Diamond In The Ruff Owner: Karen Power & Patricia Foxx
- 2 Chriscendo Centre Piece Owner: Delores A Watts
- 3 Sungold's Yes UL Will Owner: Tula Demas4 Jan-Shar's Alice In Wonderland Owner;
- Sharon Hanson

Winners Bitch: Chriscendo Contemptress

Reserve: Stillcove's Soul Provider

Veteran Dog Class

 Ch. Tim Sue's High Lights Owner: Tim & Sue Goddard

Veteran Bitch Class



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1 Ch. Lovely-Polarpom Elizabeth Owner: Victoria E. Lovely

Best Of Breed: Ch. Tim Sue's High Lights

Best Of Winners: Chriscendo Contemptress

Best Of Opposite Sex: Ch. Valcopy Wakhan Betty Boop Owner: Dana L. Plonkey & Randy Gemmill

Obedience Competition

Judge: Mrs. Pamela Weaver

Novice B

- Souventry Leeza Of Tiny Paws Owner: A. Kay Sinnott (196)
- 2 First Partis Masquerade Owner: Tammie Schultz (184-1/2)
- 3 He's A Heart Stealer Owner: Julie Clemen & Gary Olson, DVM (178)
- 4 Apolloette Chip Of The Rock Owner: Mollie A. Breuno (171)

Highest Scoring Dog in Regular Classes Souventry Leeza Of Tiny Paws

- Graduate Novice Class
- 1 Baron's Aristic Aurora, CD Owner: Kim Crowell
- Veterans Class
- 1 Stanley Morris, CDX, NA Owner: Phyllis A. Griffith
- Junior Showmanship Competition

Judge: Mrs. Jean B. Schroll

Novice Junior Class

1 Brian McSweeney with Simi Acres Special Love Owner: Doreen N. Barry

Best Junior Showman

Brian McSweeney

American Pomeranian Club, Inc. Thursday, August 8, 1996 Sweepstakes

Judge: Mr. Joseph N. McGinnis, Jr.

- Puppy Dogs, 6 Months and Under 9 Months
- 1 Elan's Connoisseur Owner: Melissa R. & David K. Dahlenburg
- 2 Heartland's Top Gun Tradition Owner:
- Dianne Kieffer
- 3 Damata Northwest Spirit Owner: Daryls Flaata
- 4 Fan-C's Captain Terrific Owner: Florence Scott
- Puppy Dogs, 9 Months and Under 12 Months
- 1 Jan-Shar's Baby Huey Owner: Sharon Hanson
- 2 Finch's He's A Moonwalker Owner: Randy Buske & Diane Finch
- 3 Jan-Shar's The Puck Stops Here Owner: Barbi Kutilek & Sharon Hanson
- 4 Absolute's Woody Win Owner: Jeanne & Robert Blank
- Puppy Bitches, 6 9 Months
- 1 Chas-T-Dee's China Doll Owner: Charles & Dee McNeice
- 2 Stillcove's Precious Moment Owner: Dorothy & Norman Trosino & Cynthia M. Bradley
- 3 Raine's Rhett Butler's Dream Owner: Marcia Cox
- 4 Foxxglen Dastar's Minni Mag Owner: Patricia M. Foxx & Karen Power
- Puppy Bitches, 9-12 Months
- Valcopy Wakhan Black Pearls Owner: R.C. Gemmill & D.L. Plonkey
- 2 Chriscendo Centre Piece Owner: Delores A. Watts
- 3 Leslie's Daystar Samantha Owner: Leslie



Bracken & Karen Power

Watt's Little Whitney Owner: Delores A. Watts

> Best In Sweepstakes: Elan's Connoisseur

Best Of Opposite Sex To Best In Sweepstakes Valcopy Wakhan Black Pearls

- Veteran Sweepstakes
- Dogs, 9 Years and Older
- 1 Ch. Tim Sue's High Lights Owner: Tim & Sue Goddard
- Bitches, 6 Years and Under 9 Years
- 1 Ch. Lovely-Polarpom Elizabeth Owner: Victoria E. Lovely
- 2 K And L's Valley Engelé Owner: Sally Lou Lind
- Bitches, 9 Years and Older
- 1 Ch. Valcopy-Wakhan My Style Best In Veteran Sweepstakes
 - Ch. Tim Sue's High Lights Best Of Opposite Sex To Best In Veteran Sweepstakes
- Ch. Valcopy-Wakhan My Style Owner: Janell Reich

Regular Classes Judge: Mrs. Jacqueline Stacy

Puppy Dogs, 6 Months and Under 9 Months

- 1 Heartland's Top Gun Tradition Owner:
- Dianne Kieffer 2 Jan-Shar's No Way José Owner: Sharon Hanson
- Fan-C's Captain Terrific Owner: Florence Scott
- 4 Elan's Connoisseur Owner: Melissa R. & David K. Dahlenburg

Puppy Dogs, 9 Months and Under 12 Months

- 1 Absolute's Woody Win Owner: Jeanne & Robert Blank
- 2 Shimmeree Ricki Ticki Tavi Owner: Gregg & Charlene Waters & Patty Chapman
- 3 Donara's Texican Dragon Owner: Erika K. Moureau
- 4 Jan-Shar's The Puck Stops Here Owner: Barbi Kutilek & Sharon Hanson
- Bred By Exhibitor Dogs
- 1 Daystar Leslie's Batter Up Owner: Leslie Bracken & Karen Power
- 2 Lovely 'How Soon Is Now' Owner: Victoria E. Lovely
- 3 Kilei's No Worries Owner: Kelly Reimschiissel
- 4 Jan Le's Makin Trax To Pompeii Owner: Jane Lehtinen
- American Bred Dogs
- 1 Raintree Everybody's Talk'n Owner: Kathryn Hartz & Susan Holderman
- 2 Mi-Babe Rainbow Painter Owner: Jean Ciik
- Open Dogs, Black, Blue, Brown
 - 1 Gailellen's Inkspot Of Wynmor Owner: Roberta Podolin
 - Open Dogs, Red, Orange, Cream, Sable
- 1 Jan-Shar's Jumanji Owner: Sharon Hanson
 - 2 Painter's Tinkle Little Star Owner: Kelly D. Reimschiissel
 - 3 Southland's Rising Star Owner: Karen R. Warren
 - 4 Cheyenne's Lil Grandview Prince Owner: Gary Stefanson & Laurie Polinkus
 - Winners Dog: Jan-Shar's Jumanji

Reserve : Absolute's Woody Win

Puppy Bitches, 6 - 9 Months

- 1 Southlands Mo Cher Owner: Charlotte Creed & Virginia Watkins
- 2 Foxxglenn Dastar's Minni Mag Owner:

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Patricia M. Foxx & Karen Power

- Shadowhawk's Morgana The Red Owner: Mary C. "Kelly" Smith
 Grandview's Cristal Champagne Owner: L.
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- Puppy Bitches, 9-12 Months
- 1 Sunterra Sweet Seduction Owner: Douglas Stratton
- 2 Leslie's Daystar Samantha Owner: Leslie Bracken & Karen Power
- 3 Jan-Shar's Star Burst Owner: Barbi Kutilek & Sharon Hanson
- 4 Valcopy Wakhan Black Pearls Owner: R.C. Gemmill & D.L. Plonkey
- Bred By Exhibitor Bitches
- 1 Extane Lil Ms No Kiss Owner: Sharon Shipek
- 2 Stillcove's Soul Provider Owner: Cynthia M. & James N. Bradley
- 3 Two T's TLC Sassy Salsa Owner: D.M. & N.N. Trosino & C.L. & T. Gillespie
- 4 Watts Little Whitney Owner: Delores A. Watts
- American Bred Bitches
- 1 Raine's Rhett Butler's Dream Owner: Marcia Cox
- 2 Goldspun Kewpie Cuddles Owner: Margaret K. & Daniel Ontiveros
- Open Bitches, Black, Blue, Brown
- 1 Treasured Deans Ange-Noir Owner: Dean Herbert
- *Open Bitches, Red, Orange, Cream, Sable* 1 Daystar Diamond In The Ruff Owner:
- Karen Power & Patricia Foxx
- 2 Jan-Shar's Alice In Wonderland Owner: Sharon Hanson
- 3 Jan-Shar's Forever Henny Penny Owner: Marge Kranzfelder
- 4 Ruby's Lovely Jinni Sais So Owner: Julie Clemem & V. Lovely
- Open Bitches, Any Other Color
- 1 Travlyn On Down to Rodi's
- Winners Bitch: Extane Lil Ms No Kiss

Reserve : Sunterra Sweet Seduction

- Veteran Dog Class
- 1 Ch. Tim Sue's High Lights Owner: Tim & Sue Goddard
- Veteran Bitch Class
- 1 Ch. Lovely-Polarpom Elizabeth Owner: Victoria E. Lovely

Best Of Breed:

Ch. Jan-Le's Just A Dash Of Milamor Owner: Jane Lehtinen

> *Best Of Winners:* Extane Lil Ms No Kiss

> Best Of Opposite Sex: Extane Lil Ms No Kiss

Best Puppy in the Regular Classes: Sunterra Sweet Seduction

Best in the Bred By Exhibitor Classes: Extane's Lil Ms No Kiss

Obedience Classes

Judge: Mrs. Noreen Gonce Cartwright Novice B

1 Souventry Leeza Of Tiny Paws Owner: A. Kay Sinnott (196-1/2)

Highest Scoring Dog In Regular Classes Souventry Of Tiny Paws

Graduate Novice Class

1 Baron's Aristic Aurora, CD Owner: Kim Crowell

Veterans Class

1 Stanley Morris, CDX, NA Owner: Phyllis A.

Griffith

Brace Class

 Ollie Blue Bluster, CDX, TD, OA Owner: Randall F. Morris & Ann Griffith Stanley Morris, CDX, NA Owner: Phyllis A. Griffith

Junior Showmanship Competition Judge: Mrs. Jacqueline Stacy

Novice Junior Class

- 1 Daine Heinrich with Julie's Baby Boomer To Daine Owner: Daine Heinrich
- Open Junior
- 1 Andrew Cariaso with Raintree Everybody's Talk'N Owner: Kathryn Hartz & Susan Holderman

Best Junior Showman Andrew Cariaso

Puget Sound Pomeranian Club, Inc. Friday, August 9, 1996 Sweepstakes Judge: Mrs. Nadine Hersil

- Puppy Dogs, 6 Months and Under 9 Months
 Heartland's Top Gun Tradition Owner: Dianne Kieffer
- 2 Damata Northwest Spirit Owner: Daryls Flaata
- 3 Jan-Shar's No Way José Owner: Sharon Hanson
- 4 Elan's Connoisseur Owner: Melissa R. & David K. Dahlenburg
- Puppy Dogs, 9 Months and Under 12 Months
- 1 Absolute's Woody Win Owner: Jeanne & Robert Blank
- 2 Jan-Shar's The Puck Stops Here Owner: Barbi Kutilek & Sharon Hanson
- 3 Donara's Texican Dragon Owner: Erika K. Moureau
- 4 Jan-Shar's Baby Huey Owner: Sharon Hanson

Puppy Bitches, 6-9 Months

- 1 Foxxglenn Dastar's Minni Mag Owner: Patricia M. Foxx & Karen Power
- 2 Southland's Mo Cher Owner: Charlotte Creed & Virginia Watkins
- 3 Chriscendo Contemptress Owner: Christine D. Heartz & Patricia Chapman
- 4 Chas-T-Dee's China Doll Owner: Charles & Dee McNeice

Puppy Bitches, 9 - 12 Months

- 1 Valcopy Wakhan Black Pearls Owner: R.C. Gemmill & D.L. Plonkey
- 2 Jan-Shar's Star Burst Owner: Barbi Kutilek & Sharon Hanson
- 3 Leslie's Daystar Samantha Owner: Leslie Bracken & Karen Power
- 4 Watt's Little Whitney Owner: Delores A.Watts

Best In Sweepstakes: Foxxglenn Dastar's Minni Mag

Best Of Opposite Sex To Best In Sweepstakes: Valcopy Wakhan Black Pearls

Veteran Sweepstakes

- Dogs, 9 Years and Older
- Ch. Tim Sue's High Lights Owner: Tim & Sue Goddard
- Bitches, 6 Years and Under 9 Years
- 1 K And L's Valley Engelé Owner: Sally Lou Lind

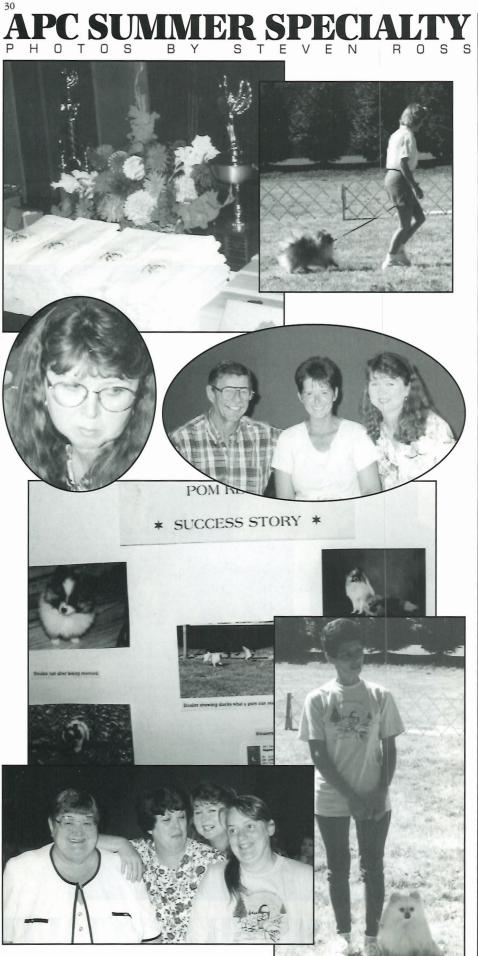
Best Veteran In Sweepstakes: Ch. Tim Sue's High Lights

Best Of Opposite Sex In Veteran Sweepstakes: K And L's Valley Engelé





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Regular Classes Judge: Mr. Fred Bassett

Puppy Dogs, 6 Months and Under 9 Months

- Heartland's Top Gun Tradition Owner: 1 Dianne Kieffer
- Jan-Shar's No Way José Owner: Sharon 2 Hanson
- Maranatha's Makana Owner: Gloria & Steve Carlin
- Elan's Connoisseur Owner: Melissa R. & David K. Dahlenburg

Puppy Dogs, 9 Months and Under 12 Months

- Absolute's Woody Win Owner: Jeanne & Robert Blank
- 2 Finch's He's A Moonwalker Owner: Randy Buske & Diane Finch
- 3 Donara's Texican Dragon Owner: Erika K. Moureau
- Jan-Shar's Baby Huey Owner: Sharon Hanson

Bred By Exhibitor Dogs

- Jan Le's Makin Trax To Pompeii Owner: Jane Lehtinen
- 2 Lovely "How Soon Is Now" Owner: Victoria E. Lovely
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- Julie's Baby Boomer To Daine Owner: Daine Heinrich
- American Bred Dogs
- Raintree Everybody's Talk'N Owner:
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- Open Dogs, Black, Blue, Brown
- Gailellen's Inkspot Of Wynmor Owner: Roberta Podolin
- Open Dogs, Red, Orange, Cream, Sable
- Ellie Mae's Kalasic Memory Maker Owner: Julie Kallbacka
- Chevenne's Lil Grandview Prince Owner: Gary Stefanson & Laurie Polinkus
- Jan-Shar's Jumanji Owner: Sharon Hanson
- Woodrose's Tobasco Cat Owner: Clarice & Yvette Oganeku
- Winners Dog: Absolute's Woody Win

Reserve: Jan Le's Makin Trax To Pompeii

- Puppy Bitches, 6-9 Months Chriscendo Contemptress Owner:
- Christine D. Heartz & Patricia Chapman 2 Foxxglenn Dastar's Minni Mag Owner: Patricia M. Foxx
- 3 Southland's Mo Cher Owner: Charlotte Creed & Virginia Watkins
- Chas-T-Dee's China Doll Owner: Charles & Dee McNeice
- Puppy Bitches, 9-12 Months
- Sunterra Sweet Seduction Owner: Douglas Stratton
- Leslie's Daystar Samantha Owner: Leslie 2 Bracken & Karen Power
- Valcopy Wakhan Black Pearls Owner: R.C. 3 Gemmill & D.L. Plonkey
- Park Hill's Plum Puddin' Raintree Owner: Shirley J. Parkhill & John E. Anderson & Ray Mooney
- Bred By Exhibitor Bitches
- Watt's Little Whitney Owner: Delores A. 1 Watts
- 2 Stillcove's Soul Provider Owner: Cynthia M. & James N. Bradley
- 3 Two T's TLC Sassy Salsa Owner: D.M. & N.N. Trosino & C.L. & T. Gillespie
- Cheux's Fashion Statement Owner: Catherine H. Breaux

American Bred Bitches

- 1 Raine's Rhett Butler's Dream Owner: Marcia Cox
- 2 Dover-Holihouse Oh By The Way Owner: Kathryn Hartz & Patricia Foley

Open Bitches, Black, Blue, Brown

1 Treasured Deans Ange-Noir Owner: Dean Herbert

Open Bitches, Red, Orange, Cream, Sable

- 1 Jan-Shar's Alice In Wonderland Owner: Sharon Hanson
- 2 Sungold's Yes U Will Owner: Tula Demas3 Daystar FG Diamond In The Ruff Owner:
- Karen Power & Patricia Foxx 4 Chriscendo Centre Piece Owner: Dolores
- A. Watts
- Winners Bitch: Sunterra Sweet Seduction

Reserve: Jan-Shar's Alice In Wonderland Owner: Sharon Hanson

Veteran Dog Class

1 Ch. Tim Sue's High Lights Owner: Tim & Sue Goddard

Veteran Bitch Class

1 Ch. Lovely-Polarpom Elizabeth Owner: Victoria E. Lovely

Best Of Breed: Ch. TimSue's High Lights Best Of Winners:

Sunterra Sweet Seduction

Best Of Opposite Sex: Ch. Valcopy Wakhan Hot Gossip Owner: Satosho Bessho & Hideko Strasbaugh & Dana L. Plonkey

> Best Puppy in the Regular Classes: Sunterra Sweet Seduction

Best in Bred By Exhibitor Classes: Jan Le's Makin Trax To Pompeii

> **Obedience Classes** Judge: Mrs. Jill K. Jones

Novice B

 Souventry Leeza Of Tiny Paws Owner: A. Kay Sinnott (193-1/2)

Highest Scoring Dog In Regular Classes Souventry Leeza Of Tiny Paws *Graduate Novice Class* 1 Baron's Aristic Aurora CD Owner: Kim

Crowell

Junior Showmanship Competition

Judge: Mr. Fred Bassett

Novice Junior Class

1 Daine Heinrich with Julie's Baby Boomer Owner: Daine Heinrich

Open Junior Class

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Best Junior Showman Andrew Cariaso

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August 8, 1996

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Animation's Jasmine (B) by Ch. Pomsprings Wild Thing x Animation's Jelly Paws. Breeder: Lorinda Vasuta & Darren Lane Owner Pat Dresser & Lorinda Vasuta.

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- **Ben-Cher's On Fire** (D) by Ch. Wl Dakotah's Lil' Huggy Bear x Ben-Cher's Midnight Fire. Breeder/Owner: Cheryl A. Loy & Beni M. Loy.
- **Chas-T-Dee's Jake Junior** (D) by Ch. Rock N Tradition Of Oakridge x Ch Chas-T-Dees Steel Magnolia. Breeder/Owner: Dee & Charles McNeice.
- Forever With One Look (B) by Forever Aspects Of Love x Forever The Littlest Rebel. Breeder: Marge Kranzfelder Owner: Letitia Cannon & Marge Kranzfelder.
- Kneisler's Toasty Miz Starla (B) by Ch Jamels Texas Tornado x Ch. Bev-Nors Glen Iris Renesance. Breeder: Maria Kneisler & Dr. Cheryl A Jackson Owner: Cindy & Paul Gorrell.
- Larron Duke of Earl (D) by Larron Touch Of Tradition x Larron Duchess. Breeder: Ronald J. Feyh & Larry L.

Rookstool Owner: Evelyn C. Newyear.

- Lynnwrights Serial Mom (B) by Ch. Bev-Nor's Nuttin' To It x Watts Little Nightfire. Breeder/Owner: Donna Lynn Wright & Diana M. Plichta.
- Mystars Bon Chance (D) by Nabob's Winter Wizard x Mystars Jolie Fleurette. Breeder: Charlotte E. Decker Owner: Barbara Messmer & Jerrie Freia & Nina Berry.
- Partner's Wind Dealer (D) by Ch. Mason's Shawn Of Millamor x Ch. Ka-Mi's Harbor Mystery Gal. Karen M. Crawford & Michael A. Crawford & Gaila Brickus Owner: Karen M. Crawford & Gaila Brickus & Michael Crawford.
- Silver Meadows Jus' Cruisin' (D) by Ch. Silver Meadows Jus' A Lil Teddy x Silver Meadows Tu-It Brite. Breeder/Owner: Jacquelyn W. Klein.
- Tim Sue's Just Make A Mark (D) by Ch.Tim Sue Just A Lil Moonlight x Tim Sue's Melisa. Breeder: Sue Goddard & Tim Goddard Owner: Norma C. Gad. Tresstique Black Magic (D) by

Ch. Finch's He Walks On Water x Golden Aires Billy Jean. Breeder: Bonnie Harris Owner: Marie E. Carlough.

- Ursa Minor's Cup O' Kona (B) by Ursa Minor's Sea Change x Ursa Minor's Small Regular. Breeder/Owner: Barbara Krzewicki.
- Valcopy-Wakhan Betty Boop (B) by Ch. Valcopy Wakhan Valentino x Valcopy-Wakhan Redridinghood. Breeder/ Owner: Dana L. Plonkey & Randy Gemmill.

Watts' Little Fox Trot (B) by Ch. Watts' Little Socrates x Watt's Little Coconetta Breeder: Dolores A Watts Owner: Peter A Petersen & Victoria Oelerich.

Wee Hearts Vintage Champagne (B) by Wee Hearts Flash Fire x Wee Hearts Summer Wind. Breeder: Cassandra Ready Evans & Estil Evans Owner: Ellen Takayama.

Woodrose Nic-Reg Totoro (D) by Ch. Sandtown's Teddy Bear x Kiehms Cho Ko. Breeder: Clarice M. Oganeku Owner: Reggie Kamihara.

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Thanks again Jeannanne for letting me "Steal" one of your good ones.

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A/K/A LOIS CILIBERTO LYNPIA Dogs Howl And... THERE ARE HEROES AND VILLAINS

"Scarlet" is a heroine. You probably saw it in your own newspaper, as her story seemed to go around the world. She is what cat clubs and veterinarians call a domestic shorthair feline; their upscale new fancy term for the old 'alley cat.' My own cat is one of those, domestic shorthair, but I still gaze into her inscrutable green eyes and call her 'alley cat.' She gazes back at me with dignified disdain and I know she knows I love her and am kidding. She is really a Princess Royal in disguise, although she has not, and I fear never will be, a national heroine.

Because she never will be, unlike 'Scarlet,' if she wound up in an animal shelter she would be euthanized as quickly as the law allows. In my county, that is 3 days from entering the front door, which ends in exiting the back door of death. She would also, being frightened out of her wits and on the defense, no doubt howl, hiss and bite. That means even faster euthanasia.

Bite the animal control employees and you get a sign on your 'cage'.... <u>Not</u> for adoption, bites, Eut. <u>Eut</u>, as you have guessed is short for Euthanasia. One bite and you're dead. Your head goes to the lab to check for rabies and your body winds up in, at best, an incinerator, or, at worst, in a bag that ends up in a local university where you are picked out of a barrel of dead cats and used for study by anatomy and biology students.

But back to Heroes, or in this case-our heroine 'Scarlet.'

Scarlet made headlines from Port Washington, N.Y. after she repeatedly entered a burning building to rescue her five 4-week-old nursing kittens. Scarlet got her name from the red patches of skin that showed through her no longer recognizable coat, which had been singed so badly no one could tell its original color.

Scarlet, by her motherly heroics, had her ears badly burned, her eyes blistered shut and her paws as severely singed as her coat. A firefighter coming onto the scene found 2 kittens curbside to the burning building and three others curbside across the street. He instantly recognized what Scarlet had done.

Scarlet had repeatedly entered that badly burning building, carrying each kitten safely outside. Then tried to carry each across the street, out of harm's way. Her eyes blistered shut,

badly burned, Scarlet still 'nosed' each kitten to make sure she had them 'safe.' The firefighter got Scarlet and her brood to the North Shore Animal Rescue in Brooklyn, where her photo, surrounded by her broodlings, was duly taken and flashed throughout the media. Instantly the animal shelter was deluged by people willing to adopt Scarlet and her kittens. Scarlet went through much care and eventually another, happier, photo was flashed through the media of Scarlet, ears misshappen but happily alert, eyes unblistered and dignified, as she was held in the arms of her carefully chosen adoptive new human. All her kittens received equally loving homes. Scarlet's original coat color will never be known, but her new fur came in black and white, the legendary colors of villains and heroes, respectively, which gave me the title for this article.

The story of Scarlet and her kittens had a happy ending, because she made a heroine of herself. There are occasional other heroes or heroines, either canine or feline, who make the national media through performing heroic acts, or because they were found mutilated and tor-

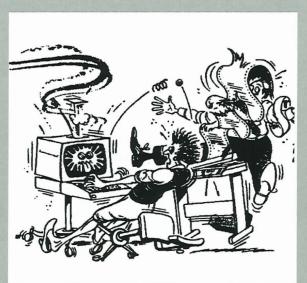


tured by uncaring humans. These, too usually wind up with a happy ending.

But for millions out there, their story ends 'with one last shot.' Several Sundays ago our newspaper published a 2-page article, with some pretty horrible graphics, regarding our county's animal control shelter. This animal control shelter system has to take in an average 9,628 animals per year, of which 78 out of every 100 dogs and 97 out of every 100 cats will wind up dying on a cold, stainless steel table. This newspaper article was titled 'down to their last shot' and showed pictures of animals being euthanized by the fatal needle and carcasses lined up in rows, being given final 'pulse' tests by shelter employees before being dragged off to the incinerator.

For most of these unfortunates the last gentle pats of the shelter employees readying them with a pre-death tranquilizer and hugging them close as the 'last shot' is given, is the only love they have ever received. However, some have been loved before and find themselves bewildered when they wind up in an animal shelter cage, wondering where their 'beloved,' but villianous, humans have gone. Many villains drop them off at the shelter, or on a roadside, without a backward glance. Many come in with their sad stories; "I have to move," "my landlord won't let me keep a pet anymore" or "she/he is in need of veterinary care I simply can't afford it."

Disposable paper plates, disposable plastic glasses, disposable dogs and cats. You've heard me say it before. Ho Hum. We are bonafide purebred dog fanciers, it is not <u>our</u> fault these shelters are overwhelmed and that these millions of animal deaths occur yearly. Or is it our fault? The statistics at animal shelters and from rescue workers in all breeds of purebred dogs and cats tell a different story. More and more purebreds are becoming a large part of the 'disposable' animal society. Why? The foremost answer is that breeders over-breed and since they can't all be show quality, that leaves breeders or pets. Of the latter, many refuse to use the word pet and sell only what they call "breeding quality." Sometimes this is quite kosher



and sometimes it is downright dishonest in the light of the buyer being duped. However that may be, very few of our purebreds are sold on a spray/neuter basis or, at the very least, without the benefit of the AKC limited registration portion of the papers being utilized.

The next answer is breeders who start out right, get overloaded and can't keep up, or who decide that there is money to be made in selling large quantities, and finally the animals wind up in a filthy kennel situation and sooner or later someone reports them and the animals have to be rescued. For many of these, the rescue happened far too late, and many wind up being 'given their <u>last</u> shot".

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Another answer is that the seller sells with all good intentions and the buyer buys with all good intentions, but somewhere along the line the buyer breeds and can't sell the puppies for what is deemed (according to the price they paid for what they bought) the right price and pretty soon the offspring wind up in the local newspaper for sale 'cheap' and thereby enter the disposable society situation.

> And then, of course, there are the continual kennel auctions. On my desk sit 2 auction offering sales that took place in recent weeks: concerned purebred fanciers sent me these fliers in hopes I could do something. Some purebred clubs did their best on these, as they have tried to in the past, but there simply isn't enough money to buy up 45 Yorkshire Terriers, 26 Maltese, 28 Shih Tzu, 33 Bichon Frise (from one auction sale by one party who was 'retiring from dogs') or 10 Pekingese, 7 Shih Tzu, 18 Bichon Frise, 7 Silky Terriers, 11 Poodles, 7 Boxers, 11 Yorkshire Terriers, 32

Chinese Cresteds and 21 Pomeranians offered at another auction sale, by 2 parties.

My particular disgust, in reading these 'offerings' are the following blurbs accompanying the sale announcements:

"George and I have been breeding and selling pups for 25 years and the kennel has been very good to us, but due to retirement we feel this is the best way to disperse of our stock (and equipment). My Shih Tzu have been the <u>base</u> of <u>many a kennel</u>."

"For over 20 years we have been dedicated to breeding and raising nothing but quality dogs for the pet industry. We are extremely proud of

a/k/a/ Lois Ciliberto



our dogs and our kennels, but our other involvements are beginning to take up too much of our time. It's time for our labor, dogs and facilities to help <u>some one else grow</u>."

With this comes the auctioneer's note: "The [owners] have gotten involved in the Professional Pet Association goals of education and legislation. They are also involved with Missouri search & rescue and drug interdiction teams. With 20 years of raising quality pups, if you attend this auction you will like the breeding stock and good equipment."

"I hand-picked much of my foundation stock in England and chose stock with records of free whelping, good nurturing instincts, excellent milk supply and that <u>consistently</u> <u>produce large litters</u>."

These remarks are selfexplanatory, and apparently, help move the dogs at these auctions, and, besides knowing that some who are reading this are saying Lois is 'at it' again, I know others are saying, "This is all very sad, but these auctions have nothing to do with us." In a way they don't, but in other ways they do. These people didn't get these dogs off a tree, like picking plums, and in many sale ads I read, or faxes or phone calls I receive advertising quantity sales, the same thing is going on. Numbers are being offered, with no qualms attached as to where the animal will wind up, and, without fail, the potential sellers announce themselves as show-breeders.

Yet, I know my efforts fall on mostly deaf ears, or on ears who prick up and want to know (what guts!) how they can get on the auction list so they can buy some of this great stuff, or on ears whose lips call me names unprintable and undauntingly ask me what in the world is wrong with them selling, pointing out that every breed magazine in the world and magazines like <u>DOG</u> <u>FANCY, THE AKC GAZETTE and</u> <u>DOG WORLD</u> have all sorts of advertisements listing quanitites for sale from well known kennel names, if **they** can, why not me?

Why not me is a good question. My answer is two wrongs don't make a right and what in the world is in this quantity selling except bucks, and I don't mean male deer!



So, I will receive another bad report at the home office and be accused of all sorts of things, but frankly, My dear, if I can change even a teensey weensey piece of this kind of action, which leads, in the end, to the "final shot," I will keep up the good work, ignoring my detractors, since the vast majority of caring people constantly urge me to do so!

And if you want the auctioneer's addresses or phone numbers, so you can get in on these sweet 'deer' deals for smaller 'bucks' don't call me. My notions of villains and heroes are quite different from that, and I would love to provide you with the horrific graphic photos of lovely, healthy and unwanted animals who are down to their "last shot."

And for the many who have phoned me about the 'sweet deals' that went sour and nobody cares and you feel helpless, buck up; you are cared about, even though there is nothing I can do to help you recover the money you lost. Chalk it to sad experience, and from now on check and re-check before your funds go out!

In closing, I am going to offer the phone number of the official <u>AMERI-</u>

<u>CAN POMERANIAN CLUB</u> representative who will be happy to help you for referrals when you buy. I no longer will refer anyone to anyone, as this is not really my job and it gets <u>moi</u> in too much trouble. If you don't like what you bought, it's my fault, and if I say so-and-so is not the one to be trusted, I am in worse trouble, as my remarks are taken as representative of THE <u>POM</u> <u>READER</u> itself and this is clearly <u>not</u> acceptable to <u>me</u>.

Daytime: Jane Lehtinen (Pom referrals only) 218-741-2117.

For other breed referrals call The American Kennel Club, at

900-407-7877. They will put you in touch with a member of a dog club for the breed you are interested in.

Next month we will visit another heroine, this time canine, and her name is "Thumbelina." It will prove to you that you cannot always trust even your own veterinarian's diagnosis and that there is a world of miracles out there, for those who do not believe in our **disposable** animal society.

Until the dog howls again

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Ch. Koh-J-Noor's Lil Bit O'Heaven

sired by Ch. Stolanne's Classique Comet



Congratulations Fran on your visit with the Pom Reader. You are a wonderful friend and have taught us a great deal. Thank you for all your help, encouragement, and friendship. We wish you continued success in all your breeding endeavors.



Knock, Knock! Who's There??? THE POM READER VISITS



Washington, Indiana



Ch. Stolanne's Texas Tumbleweed (cream)

had any show experience and had no idea how to begin I continued to breed a few good quality pet Poms and helped my daughter train her Pom for 4-H obedience competition. I became so interested in this aspect of showing that I volunteered to be one of the leaders of the 4-H dog club called "Bark 'n Bite".

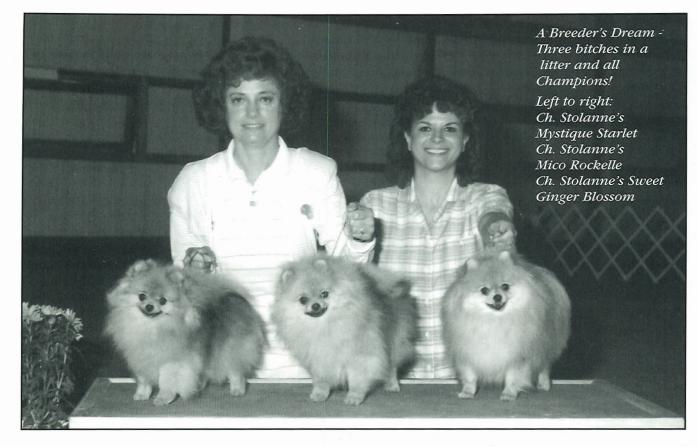
Through my veterinarian, then, I met Nancy Fry, who had some show experience and was breeding some show quality Poms. She gave me the addresses of a couple of the Pom magazines and I became a subscriber. It was in one of the magazines that I saw a picture of a Pom that reminded me of a favorite pet male who had just died of a heart attack. When I learned that the dog belonged to Opal Dumler of Colorado and that we were planning a vacation to Colorado the

Although dogs have always been a part of my life, Terriers, not Poms were my first love. "Peggy", a tan Terrier was my first very own pet and was at my side as we explored the farm and helped Dad tend to the farm animals. During my teen years my Mother bred a few Chihuahuas and I thoroughly enjoyed assisting her with the whelping and caring for the puppies. As I recall, her dogs were very good quality and she bred them very carefully to improve her line, but she was never interested in showing. Even then I enjoyed lead training the puppies and grooming the long coat varieties.

When I married, my pet was a Chihuahua-Terrier mix named "Lita", call name for Estrellita or "little star". When she died an untimely death, my replacement pet was a black poodle, whom I

bred a couple times for the enjoyment of whelping and training the puppies. My opportunity to own a Pomeranian came when I met a lady who had a nice black female puppy and was willing to trade her for a silver male Poodle puppy. Although this first Pom died when she was a few months old, the bug had bitten and I was on my search for another Pom. I located a breeder in a nearby town who had a litter of Poms and I placed a deposit on another black female puppy who was only two weeks old. At that point I really knew nothing about the Pom standard of show quality Poms but just knew I liked the breed and their personalities.

To show a Pom or to own a champion Pom was a dream that I held onto for many years. Since I knew no one who



next month, I hoped that this might be my chance to buy a show quality puppy and launch a hobby of dog showing. Ms. Dumler was most gracious when I telephoned her and invited me to visit her kennel. After spending a few hours with Ms. Dumler, I chose a well-balanced orange sable bitch puppy. This puppy, O My Starmist Minuette, became my foundation bitch and has achieved R.O.M.X. status by producing eight champions, two of which are group winning specials with Thor having won a Best In Show. This was probably my wisest investment on the way to producing show quality Poms. I shall always be grateful to Ms. Dumler for being so patient and understanding with a newcomer to the show scene and for entrusting me with one of her best!

Soon after I bought "Misty", Nancy (Fry) bought a female puppy from Francis Wright (Wright Way Poms) whom she promised to show. She invited me to "get one of yours and go along" with her and her daughter, Jenny, who would handle the puppy. The Kentuckiana Cluster was soon and since Louisville was near, we chose this site for our debut (little did we know that this was the largest show in the nation that year). Nancy carried her few grooming supplies in a plastic bag and when she talked about purchasing a catalog at the show site, I had no idea what she meant. After observing other exhibitors'

equipment and supplies, we decided that one purchase we should both make was a grooming table. I can truly say that I was as "green" as they come and am very grateful to those who have coached and tutored me along the way.

HISTORY IN COLORS

With the focus of this Pom Reader issue on the exotic color Poms, I shall share some of my history and experiences with the various Pom colors. Since my first Pom was black and my first show dog was black, I really did not realize that this was not the preferred color until I started showing. At my first show in April, 1986, my little black male was reserve to a four point major and a couple people told me that I should have won, but he was the "wrong color"! This was my first clue that black probably was not the best color to start out with, but with persistence and many mistakes, he finished his championship with four majors!

When I attended the A.P.C. Summer Specialty Show in Brush Prairie, Washington in 1992, I met Nan Shartel who was sitting with the spectators holding a lovely white puppy. I was immediately intrigued with the color and expressed my interest in owning and showing a Nabob White. That fall Nan sent a darling little white boy to me, and although he was in the "puppy uglies" and his tail was down most of the time, I was in love. "Al" grew to be one of the sweetest and most devoted males I have ever shown. I never had to guess if he would bait and be enthusiastic in the ring; he was always "on". When he completed his championship this past January, I realized my promise to Nan that he would be a Nabob Champion, and with his first white puppies on the ground, I believe he will be a strong factor in producing show quality whites.

Although I have admired the unusual colors in Poms, I never dreamed that my line and especially "Thor" would produce chocolate. "Kisses" was born to a cream champion "Stormy" daughter and was the third puppy in a litter of three. I never thought of chocolate as I dried the dark puppy until I turned her over and saw the chocolate nose. I was ecstatic and ran to show Darrell my new prize, but, of course, he was not nearly as enthused as I. It is a new experience as I am showing her now, but I have every reason to believe that she will be Thor's first chocolate champion.

My partnership with Evelyn Newyear came as a result of her friendship with Nan Shartel and her co-ownership of "Al" prior to my acquisition of him. Although I have not met her personally, we talk on the phone nearly every week and send many letters, photos, and pedigrees back and forth. She is very much a supporter of the whites and exotics, and has been the source of much encouragement and generosity as she shares my goal that Top left: BISS/BISA Ch. Stolanne Thunderbolt Thor "The King at Stolanne." Top right: O My Starmist Minuette, R.O.M.X. Foundation Bitch at Stolanne

Promising kids at Stolanne sire: Ch. Rock 'n Tradition of Oakridge dam: Ch. Stolanne's Thoradora Bella

the Nicka' Time, a Thor grandson who is a great moving dog with wonderful type, and my chocolate Thor daughter, "Kisses", we may have a match. However, I realize that it is important to keep black in the line for the rich color and I am exploring that aspect for quality, too. I am sure there will be many trials and errors in the pursuit of this goal, but I accept the challenge!

Meeting new people and making new friends are the best reasons for dog showing. Sharing successes and disappointments as well as asking for and giving advice are aspects of friendship that Pom people know best. The generosity and unselfishness of Mary, Janice, Evelyn, THE POM READER / SEPTEMBER 1996 Donna, Lynn, Renee, Vicki, Pam, and Dianne are unmatched and appreciated beyond expression. I also find it so refreshing to be in the show ring with competitors who are friends and are willing to offer congratulations and best wishes regardless of who is receiving the purple ribbon. When showing and breeding Poms becomes more stressful than enjoyable, I will call it quits since I have enough other stressors in my life.

Finally, treating others the way I would like to be treated is the goal that guides my activities. I would not have experienced the successes that I have if it had not been for many who have helped me and I want to do the same for

Ch. Stolanne's Mystique Starlet "The Queen at Stolanne"

others. Sharing grooming, whelping, and breeding tips, as well as honestly presenting my Pom to the potential buyer are characteristics for which I want to be known. And for those clients who have entrusted their precious babies to my care, I want them to be assured that I will care for them as I do my own during the time they are with me.

Thank you, Pom Reader Staff for the opportunity to present Stolanne Poms and share my experiences and views. It has been interesting to reflect upon colors for this special issue and it has been my pleasure to work with your staff.

Congratulations to Fran Stoll on her Kennel Visit. The Pom World needs more like her. Neujancrystal and Chanel

Thank you for all your help, and loving support.

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August 8, 1992 - March 8, 1996

"I want to thank you, Fran, for trusting me with 'the babies' of yours I have, especially for Elly. She was really special and so are you. You always have time to talk and help novice Pom Breeders like me. You are what a Breeder should strive to be!"

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...Apocrypha: Ecclesiasticus, vi. 16

Congratulations to a dear friend, **Fran Stoll** and the beautiful Stolanne Pomeranians! Take care of yourself, Fran, for me and those lovely Pom babies!

Mary Keeling

Bea Mary Pomeranians

CONGRATULATIONS TO FRAN STOLL

and thank you for my little boy. I also would like to thank Evelyn Newyear and Sue Hughes for thinking of me. Nice knowing you all.



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Congratulations, Fran!!!

In working on your Breeder Visit, everyone I talked with remarked on your greatness of character. Thinking on this, I discovered a saying by Woodrow Wilson, "Character is a By-Product; it is produced in the Great Manufacture of Daily Duty." Your indefatigable & professional care of the Stolanne Pomeranians proves that to be so. BEST WISHES!

Lois & Bernie Ciliberto Crescendo Pomeranians

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from NINA'S STOLANNE TORNADO (pictured)

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(a grandson of the gorgeous B.I.S. Ch. Stollane's Thunderbolt Thor)

WOODY, OUR GROUP WINNING PUPPY, finished with three majors – one

finished with three majors — one being a 5 point major in Washington under Fred Bassett. We are anxiously awaiting our first litter sired by Woody at press time. We knew he would be great in the ring, but the real challenge is.....can he produce?

We shall see!!

Congratulations to our good friend Fran and the gorgeous Stollane Poms! You are truly a special person.

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*Ch. Cin-Jan Missy Sassi Classi

(Ch. Stolanne's Stormy Sequel x Russell's Lady Christina) *pending AKC confirmation



*Ch. Cin-Jan Missy Sassi Classi

finished at the Michiana Kennel Club Show under judge Ken Miller and in the skillful hands of Sue Malek.

CONGRATULATIONS AND BEST WISHES TO FRAN STOLL

for your continued success with your breeding program and in the ring. Thank you for sharing your knowledge, your encouragement, and support.

FROM CIN-JAN POMERANIANS

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IT'S NOTHING *OPPOND Only One Type?*

Even though my personal affairs have made it difficult to raise a litter of pups lately, I still get enormous enjoyment out of attending shows and seeing what other people are currently taking into the rings. This is especially true of my own breed, which explains why I was really looking forward to the national specialty.

My favorite pastime at such shows has always been to window-shop the dog classes and Breed for likely stud dogs. And the last national gave me a lot of impressive young males to mull over.

Regardless of your tastes, there was bound to be a dog present to whet your appetite. They came in a variety of makes and models; from the solid, strapping American boys to the sleek, stylish Europeans. It was a real smorgasbord of stud dogs, and it was interesting to sort them out and weigh their potential. It was great to be given plenty to pick from.

Or was it.

While I found myself appreciating the spectrum of types that happened to be on parade in the ring that day, I have no doubt there'd be many other breeders who would be downright shocked and upset by the variation found in these same dogs.

"Variation" is usually not consid-

ered an admirable term to be used in the area of pure-bred dogs, where it is considered a duty to strive for levelness in type. Anything else is considered detrimental to a breed.

"There is only one true type, and that is the type which is described in the standard!" How many of us have heard that one? Probably all. That phrase is supported to such a degree that it is almost set in stone for many breeders, and the sport as a whole.

Well, it may be thought of as gospel by breeders, but is this train of thought an absolute necessity for a breed? Indeed, is this even a statement that can be applied to dog breeding, regardless of how widely it is supported?

Breeds of animals are actually artificial subsets of a species, designed by humans for a particular purpose and kept as separate breeds only by the diligent selection of bloodstock on the part of the owners. They are selectively bred to look and/ or perform in a specific manner for the benefit and/ or amusement of human beings. Breeds can most easily be distinguished from each other by differences in physical characteristics what we call "type" - developed to aid the animal in accomplishing the job it was designed to do. Breeds of animals are not a natural phenomenon, and most would die out in a single generation were it not for the interest of human beings.

Now, as I write this, I happen to have snoozing at my feet a pile of dogs that are all of one breed. As they snore away I can look at them and identify each at a glance. So could anyone else who has experience with the breed, for each (thanks to their sires) is somewhat different in type, and by the breed standard they don't resemble peas in a pod. Yet my non-doggy neighbors are always astounded that I can call each dog by name, as to them the whole pack looks virtually identical.

In comparison, I am now looking out the sliding glass doors overlooking the deck and watching as a pair of Sciuridae Carolinesis pussyfoot along the top of the fence planks that make up the dog yard I'll admit up front, I can't tell one from t'other, anymore than I can pick these two out from their relatives that infest my yard.

Same goes for the hordes of Tamias Striatus that spend the summer munching on the petunias and driving the dogs nuts by placing their burrows right under the deck, scant inches from the snuffling noses of my mutts. From April 'til October I have to continually keep an eye on

BY PAN GUEVARA

all the dogs. One of them is always willing to try chewing big hunks out of the deck planking in an effort to reach to reach these little critters.

I don't think I'm the only one who can't see much difference when it comes to telling individual grey squirrels and chipmunks apart. They all look amazingly alike to these myopic eyes of mine.

Fact is, if you look at almost any sort of wild animal you are going to find an adherence to

"type" that would probably be the envy of many in the dog game. The close resemblance they bear for each other is nothing short of amazing. I don't doubt there'd be many a dog breeder that would part with their eye teeth to be able to produce purebred dogs with the same degree of accuracy.

While it can be little argued that Mother Nature is a very successful "kennel manager," it must be remembered that she is also a very unforgiving one as well. There is an excellent reason for the uniformity in appearance that wild animals display they must be totally sound and functional for the niche they were designed to fill. There is no space for "pets" in the outdoors. The slightest deviation from the required "type,"

unless you are an improvement, means you're going to get knocked off. So, among wild animals there is rarely any variation in "type" that would be noticeable to the casual human observer.

Domesticated breeds of animals, however, are a different situation, even though at times I get the impression from the dog breeders that they wished that wasn't the case. While Mother Nature believes in a strong policy of stringently culling those that aren't absolutely true to one "type," human breeders needn't be as strict in their requirements for the animals they produce. And that news isn't all bad. If we were as strict in our reasons for culling, chances are that none of our breeds of dogs would ever have a chance of developing in the first

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place, as they defy the whole concept of natural selection.

No matter how hard you try, you're just never going to get the cookie-cutter sameness in a breed of animal as you are going to find in a wild species of animal. I even have my doubts that there is real wisdom in attempting to bring that situation about, considering that the gene pool of most breeds of dogs is already so small that if their registered numbers were compared to those of wild species, most breeds of pure-bred dogs would probably be considered as endangered species.

Because pure-bred dogs are a manmade invention, there will always be a certain amount of personal opinion involved in the decision of exactly what is the proper interpretation of any written standard. I have always

> felt that it is possible to have enough uniformity in a a breed to be able to easily distinguish it from all others, yet still allow for a healthy variation in type that permits a degree of flexibility concerning the translation of that same standard into a real dog.

> I can understand how all this might soundlike heresy to many veterans of the dog game. So be it, however, I have also noticed that oftentimes those who hold a strict belief about there being only one "true type" in a breed tend to be so hidebound by their own prejudices that they are incapable of appreciating any view point other than their own. And that's unfortunate for them.

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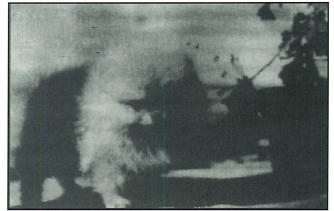
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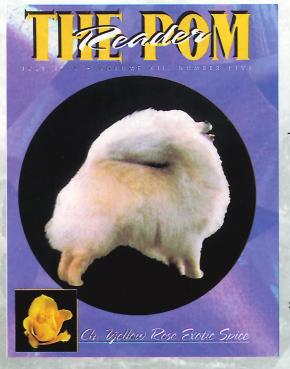


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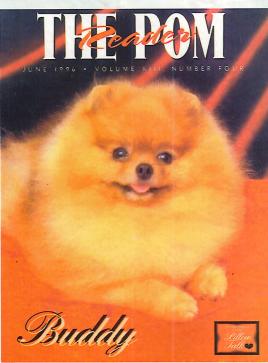
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