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CH. MCGUIRE'S WISH UPON A STAR

Ch. Glen Iris Castle Rock



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C.J. went BOS and **Harley** Best in Sweeps under Judge Bill Henry shown by Jeanne and Robert Blank at the D/FW Specialty. Harley also went Best in Sweeps under Judge Christine Hartz and Winners dog under Charlotte Patterson for a 5-point major.

C.J. is co-owned with Sharon and Neil Ponte-Corvo and Harley is co-owned with Jeanne and Robert Blank.

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Ch. McGuire's Wish Upon A Star

Cover Story

While in Florida, breeding two bitches to Ch. Coy's Top of the Mark, **Brenda Segelken**, our handler, became acquainted with **Goldie McGuire**. **Brenda was confident that Goldie had just the right Pom for us. After making arrangements, our dream came to us by way of the sky, TWA.**

Dreamer has captured the attention of many judges and had many ring side admirers. He finished quickly this spring with four 4-point majors. **Dreamer's** expression, soundness, correct coat texture, movement, and overall picture is what we all **dream** of in a Pom. Thanks to **Goldie** for letting him go, and to **Brenda Segelken** for making this **dream** come true.

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President's Message

by Dolly B. Trauner

As we approach the end of the current Club year, we can look back on a string of accomplishments by a Board whose members are dedicated, forward-looking, and decisive. Under its management the Club has been prosperous and productive. Committee heads, not all of whom are Board members, are deserving of our thanks and appreciation for their large contribution to the progress and improvements within their various areas of endeavor.

Difficulty in registering dogs due to color was the first ongoing problem to be cleared away. An information booklet that is both current and truly informative was approved for publication. The **Pom Review** under its editor, Dudley Roach, has received much praise. More importantly, it has again shown a profit--the first in several years. The business end of the **Review** is being ably taken care of by Brenda Hutton, Circulation; Margaret McKee, back issues; and Marie Carlough, Business Manager.

A method of selecting Breed judges for the Annual Specialties, in use by other clubs, was adopted; and for the first time the entire membership was given a voice in making the selection from the complete list of eligible judges.

Guidelines for a local club hosting the Summer Specialty have been updated, expanded, and clarified; Guidelines for sponsoring a Judges' Workshop have been adopted and copies will be distributed to all local clubs. The Bylaws revision is complete save for one small area still needing resolution before submitting to the membership for approval. Under Sally Baugnet, the Breed Standard revision is receiving wide and thoughtful consideration, with excellent input from individuals and local clubs.

The two TBR shows chaired by Wendy Feist were both hilarious and profitable, as were the two voice auctions chaired by Ways and Means Chairman Peter Galindo. Suggestions from Jerrie Freia, Membership Chairman, have been adopted which are helping to streamline the processing of

applications; still other changes are being considered by the Board. The various Committee Heads for the upcoming Specialty report that plans are well in hand to insure a smooth-running, enjoyable show in February. Special thanks go to Jean Schroll, Show Secretary and Chairperson; Lois Hamill, Hospitality; Jim Shearer, Grounds; and Brenda Segelken, Show Equipment.

All during the year, Judy Shearer and Linda Gallacher compile the data upon which Breed and Obedience awards are based. Jean Schroll tracks Pom standings within the breed based on Breed and Group wins. This year Fran Stoll and the Indiana Pom Club are the Trophy Committee, and promise that their selections will please.

The last issue of the **Review** briefly reported on the shocking and tragic case of abused and abandoned Poms. Special commendation is due to their rescuers who, by great effort and personal expense, have managed to salvage and rehabilitate most of these Poms to the point where they can be adopted out to loving homes. These are Judy Hurst, a Pom lover, on whom these dogs were literally dumped; Louise Crowe, Chairman, and other members of the Michigan Pom Club Rescue, who rose to the immediate crisis to salvage and arrange for emergency veterinary care; Brenda Hutton who helped publicize the plight of these dogs, thus helping to raise money toward the immediate costs of their care.

Looking forward to seeing all of you at the Marriott in February! ☺

Membership Report as of 11/01/93

By Jerrie Freia, Membership Chair

APC Membership dues renewal notices were mailed 11/04/93. Please remit your dues as soon as possible, as we would like to have all the corrections for the 1994 Roster early. If a member's dues remain unpaid as of March 1, 1994, his/her membership will have lapsed. It will then be necessary to fill out and submit a new

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Performance News

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The Pacific Northwest is enjoying some beautiful fall weather. Here it is, the last week of October, and I am still picking ripe tomatoes out of my garden. It was in the low 70's yesterday! I guess Mother Nature is trying to make up for short changing our summer (which did not arrive until late August).

Tim and I have put our house on the market and are looking for property with small acreage. I keep saying it's for the dogs, which is silly because when the dogs are outside they spend 99% of the time staring in the window hoping to be let back inside! Well, at least it would be nice to have room to train. My current yard is so small I can't do directed jumping. It really gets old packing up my jumps and hauling them all over the countryside.

I will not report on the summer Special show in this column; I'm sure the

bedience results will be printed with the other show results. I would like to congratulate Jimmie Lawrence, owever...she and "Cricket" took High in trial!

Barbara McClatchey writes...

"I have news on "Tuffy"; he has his CD! On 8/1/93, he earned a 194; on 8/7/93, a 94; and on 8/8/93, a 193 1/2. We are scheduled for Open in September (oh me, oh my!). Oh, on 8/1 Tuffy got High Scoring Pom. On August 14th and 15th, we showed at the Astrohall in Houston where Tuffy scored 187 and 189 1/2 and was again High Scoring Pom (Tuffy was still recovering from a spell of botulism he got by rolling on a dead snake and then licking himself. The Vet said it would be all right to take him to the show at that point, but he was a mite shaky).

Nice job Barbara and Tuffy! Best of luck in Open. I had asked Barara how she taught the UKC Directed Marked Retrieve. She writes..."The Directed Marked Retrieve is easy, after AKC, and requires no real teaching, just practice. The "Directed Signal Retrieve" I started by placing Anjing in the "stop and sit" position and directing her from a place immediately in front of her. I then gradually moved back to give the command and signal (I use a different command for each glove in this one). Then I begin adding a "go out" with a mid-point "sit." My signals are not the same as for the jump. My directed jumps signals are "underhand" (from low to mid-height); my directed signal retrieve is "overhand" (from chest out) and the #2 signal is the same as the "go out" signal."....Thanks Barbara. If I ever manage to get an AKC UD on Bizzy, I'll start my training for UKC.

By the way, Bizzy has completely recovered from her surgery and is jumping full height again. I hope to show her at the January Specialties. Pogo has been retired...he is getting very arthritic and it is becoming painful for him to jump. I'd like to start working on Tracking again. That way, he will still have something to do (Pogo loves to work).

I also got a nice letter from Gloria Carlin. She is really enjoying living in Hawaii

(who wouldn't?). I had asked about her dogs....

"My dogs made it through quarantine just fine. However, Phoebe was injured on the plane coming home from Oahu. She was diagnosed having a broken back and a dislocated hip. Poor girl--no wonder she couldn't walk! So following 4 months of jail, now to two more months of solitary confinement. At least she was home with us. We went to the vet last week for a follow-up x-ray. He gave her a clean bill of health. She is playing with the others now as if nothing ever happened."

Gloria reports that she has not been to a show lately as they are few and far between, especially in obedience! I am hoping to see Gloria at the Specialty show in Canada this month. She wrote that she would be there to watch one of her dogs be shown. A friend has been keeping the dog for her. (I am going to try and put Canadian CD's on Pogo and Panda.)

New Obedience Titles from the September and October issues of the **AKC Awards** are as follows:

No new UD's

New CDX

Sandy's Foxy Baby owned by Sandy and Dan Fox and bred by Sheila K. Browning finished her CDX with 1st, 2nd, and 3rd placements from the Open A class! Congratulations and good luck with your Utility training.

New CD

Bev-Nor's Ragtime Cowboy owned by Jean Barnes and bred by Bev Norris and Charlotte Creed finished his CD from the Novice B class with some very nice scores. Good job, you two!

Captain Pug White owned by Horace White and bred by Timothy and Horace White were burning up the Novice B rings with scores in the 190's and 2 1sts, 1 2nd, 1 3rd, and 1 4th placement! Watch for this super pair in the Open rings.

Ch. Lord Dragonslayer of Lenette owned by Dixieanne Bennett and bred by Ken Griffith finished his Cd from the Novice A classes with several class placements. This pair lives in Alaska where shows are very infrequent. Nice job!

Pritzi's Honor owned by Gail Callahan finished his CD from the Novice A class with nice scores of 179 1/2, 185, and 186 1/2. Their first score was earned in May of '92, the second in September of '92, and they finished in June of this year. I hope to see you showing in Open one of these days, Gail!

Shannon's Little Bit O Scotia owned by Karen Gray and bred by Joann Shifflett finished his CD from the Novice B class with scores of 177, 183.5, and 191 with a 4th place! Don't quit, you two! You keep getting better and better.

Dyanne's Whispering Sands of JJ owned by Dyanne McElroy and bred by Julie Javernick earned his CD from the Novice A ring with scores of 189, 190, and 195.5 and 4th and 2nd placements! Keep up the good work!

Molly May LV owned by Candy Janke earned her CD from the Novice B class in style with scores of 192.5, 198.5, and 194 with 2nd and 3rd placements. We'll be watching for you in Open. Congratulations!

Next issue, I'll let you know how we did in Canada. Please write and tell me what YOU are doing!

Happy Heeling....☺

Much Ado About Anything Complaints Anonymous

by Sally Baugriet

I can't remember a time before now, that I was called by a President of a club with a complaint that was received from some anonymous people. (Anonymous to me, for I was not given the name of my accusers).

First of all, it has been my policy, not to hide behind anyone's skirts. I expect anyone, with real concern, to personally speak to the person with whom he/she has a misunderstanding or complaint. Second-hand information has a way of getting "screwed-up." Secondly--maybe, just maybe, with a little explanation, the complainant may come to understand the intent of the writer. The only conclusion I could come to is...there were three people with a guilty conscience, thinking the dog mentioned at the end of my report of the second Pomeranian cluster was theirs.

From what I understand, it was "their" opinion that anyone sitting at ringside could see anything...not color, movement, carriage, expression, head-type, tail set, or coat. "They" thought my report was a critique, which I should have left up to the judge. I read the judge's critique and in no way did my ringside observations conflict with hers. My report of the APC Summer Specialty was just that...a report...a ringside observation, which most people feel I am qualified to do. Now, it is obvious to me that all anyone has to do to find out the results of a dog show, is look it up in the **Gazette**. I think that just listing the winner of a national specialty is dull and boring. That is why I thought those persons unable to attend, would appreciate a positive comment in the **Pom Review** article, or some of the winners. Evidently three people didn't.

The whole article was positive, except for the final paragraph about the special with ALL of its guard hair cut off. There was only one with all of the guard hair cut off. The key word here is ALL. This is a hot topic for discussion right now, and as Judges' Education Coordinator, it is my obligation to teach the Standard. Whether "they" know it or not, all Pom judges that want it, receive the **Pomeranian Review**. I was not a critique, but a ringside observation. In fact, it was a Judges' Study Group Ringside observation in an area set up especially set up for learning judges and their mentors. I had THREE days to watch three Pomeranian specialties!

"They" obviously did not detect the difference between the many over-trimmed

oms, and the one I referred to as the special with all of the guard hair cut off all over its body, exposing the entire undercoat. I, as a breeder, owner-handler, judge, APC Board member, teacher, and judges' Education Coordinator, have the duty to educate and teach the Pomeranian standard. I would hope that all Officers and board members feel it is their elected duty to support and teach the Pomeranian standard. When, if, or until the Standard is changed, it is my hope we will all abide by it, like it or not. DREAM ON, SALLY.

Thought for the month: An unkind remark is like a killing frost--no matter how much it warms up, the damage has already been done. ☹

Breeders Receive More Negative Press

by David R. Edwards

A dear old friend who seems to have no life clipped out an article that was carried by the Associated Press. It was written by Amy Westfeldt and was titled "Dog Breeding Is New Cash Crop for Amish." According to the remarks made by the author, Pennsylvania has turned into the puppy mill capitol of the world. I am certain that the more reputable breeders of that state are less than thrilled! It is safe to assume that people from coast to coast now believe that buying a canine from Pennsylvania is a major mistake.

Amy remarked that the dogs were housed two to three per cage, clawing frantically at the wire walls as they tried to perch themselves on the mesh floors, shaking uncontrollably and cowering to the human touch. All are bred twice a year. Quite a blood boiling picture, isn't it? I only wonder what effects this piece of journalism will have on the "Powers That Be," come time to make the decision as to who, when, and where breeding of any kind will be allowed!

There seems to be a campaign spreading across this country headed up by the local Humane Societies as well as many Animal Rights Groups to put pressure on the politicians to put a halt to the breeding of

canines in this country as we sit idly by and watch it happen.

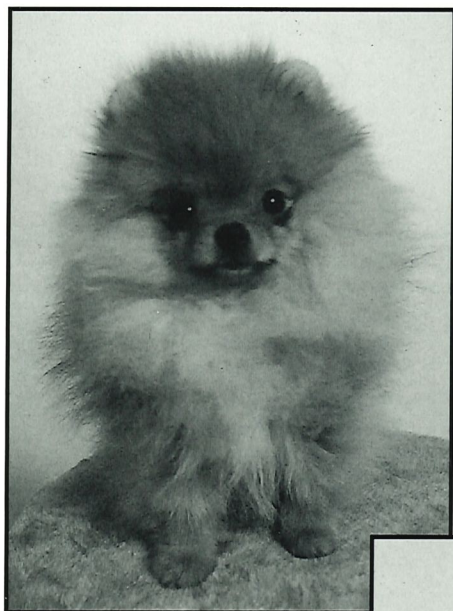
We must all agree that the horrid conditions that exist in puppy mills needs change! We also need to keep in mind that only through a progressive education program of Joe Public that there is the slightest chance that our rights to continue to breed for the betterment of our chosen breed will continue. We need to begin a progressive push to make available to the press a more positive side of the issue. There needs to be a coming together of ALL breeders to begin our own campaign for our rights to breed. It is through education not policing of breeders that a positive change can and will take place. Each time you meet with fellow breeders or one contemplating the purchase of a canine, discuss the topic of breeding! Educate them as to the benefits of buying from a reputable breeder. Reinforce the negative aspects of buying from a Pet Shop or Wholesaler. If enough people stop buying from such places, a strong message will go out to the puppy mills saying STOP there is no profit to be made.

I have often wondered why it has taken so long for breeders to get moving as a group. It could be that many of the smaller breeders breed as a hobby and do not claim profits (are there such things?) on their taxes and therefore do not want to make waves, or could it be the larger breeders do not keep their dogs in the best conditions? One has to wonder!

The list of states campaigning against breeding is growing, and the time to act is at hand. AKC has begun changing registration rules and forms to help in the fight to curb breeding; this should be a red light going off in your head, a warning if you will. Take notice, and by all means get motivated. ☺



Toyland Pomeranians



Glen Iris Brilliant Disguise

**(Ch. Tim Sue's Dandy Duke x
Ch. Glen Iris Distant Lady)**

Toyland's Legacy from Calvin

**(Toyland's Designed by Calvin x
Toyland's Christian Spirit)**

FLASH! This boy just went BIM at the Ohio Valley Super Match! Thank you Judge Dolores Watts.



Congratulations to Joel and Cheryl and all Glen Iris Poms on their Kennel Visit!

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Southpaw



Ch. Southpaw Majik Moments

Owner handled to 9 points including both majors. Thank you to handler Rusty Howard for putting the other points on her. See pedigree in **Behind New Titlists**. Majik is bred to Southpaw's Lethal Weapon (an Evan son out of a Dizzy daughter). We would like to congratulate Mary Palmer on finishing Erin (Ch. Southpaw's Pistol Packin' Mama) and on Erin and her first litter of two girls out of Hallmark's City Slicker (Am., Can. Ch. Chriscendo City Lights son). Good luck with Erin at the 1994 APC and Westminster. Erin is pictured on page 17 of the September '93 Review.

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Southpaw's Lethal Weapon

(BISA, BISS Ch. Glen Iris Castle Rock x Glen Iris Distant Caller)

Thank you, Don Rogers, for BOB over a group winning special. A Big Thank You to judge Jane Kay for Group I. Murphy is a dynamo who shows to win and is a real joy to show and love. **Murphy congratulates dad on all his wins--"Way to go Dad"--and Glen Iris on this issue's kennel visit.**

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Congratulations

Cheryl Jackson and Joel Taylor
our friends and mentors
on their well-deserved Kennel Visit!
from Southpaw Pomeranians

home of Glen Iris Distant Caller (a Dizzy daughter) and Glen Iris Enchanted Moment (an Evan daughter) and breeder/owner of one son, two daughters, one double granddaughter, one grandson and one granddaughter and breeder/co-owner of Ch. Southpaw's Pistol Packin' Mama (a daughter of multiple BISA, BISS Ch. Glen Iris Castle Rock). Evan was 1993 BOB at Westminster and First Award of Merit at the 1993 APC Specialty in New York.

Thank you Cheryl and Joel for Callie and Beth and for sharing Evan with us. Also, congratulations on Evan's many Best in Shows and other wins. May there be many more. Our condolences on the loss of Am., Can. Ch. Jamel's Fugicle of Southland (Schuyler).

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Royal Legacy Pomeranians



PAGE 13 **Royal Legacy Shady Lady**
(Glen Iris Nature's Sunshine x Donara's Shadow of Old Ivy)

"Baby" has been shown on a very limited basis and recently took Reserve Winners Bitch at the Fall, 1993, Atlanta, GA and Montgomery, AL shows. She has produced two sons sired by **BISA BISS Ch. Glen Iris Castle Rock** who will begin their show careers on the Southeastern Circuit in the Spring. Look for **Royal Legacy Alabama Slammer** (Tequila) and **R L Diamonds Are Forever** (Rocky). Their half-sister who was sired by **Glenwood Glen Iris Starry Sky**, our "Steeler," died suddenly from an allergic reaction just after beginning her show career at Newman, GA show this Fall where she took Reserve Winners Bitch. **Royal Legacy South Pacific**, "Happy" to all who knew and loved her, was gone before she had the chance to get started. She will be missed.

Congratulations to Cheryl Jackson, Joel Taylor and all the Glen Iris Poms on your well-deserved Kennel Visit. Nicer people just can't be found. Thanks so much for "Nathan" and for sharing your wonderful Evan with me. Your continuing friendship and advice are much needed and desired. Thanks for "being here."

Condolences on the loss of your **Multiple Group Winning Ch. Jamel's Fugicle of Southland** who was our Steeler's sire and the grand-sire of our beloved Happy. He leaves behind him many "Stars" whose points of light will shine long after his has dimmed.

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SEE YOU AT THE SHOWS!

GREAT ELMS, REG.

Many congratulations,
Dudley,
on your first anniversary
as Editor of the Pomeranian Review!

Congratulations, also, to
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on the occasion of your Kennel Visit.

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well-deserved.

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Sire: black and tan son of Ch. Pomirish Desiree's G.E. Scooter

Wh. 7/12/93, (one orange sable male and female)

Dam's sire and dam, Ch. Pomirish Scooter's Victory (red sable multi-group winner)
ex Ch. Pomirish Jack's Thanksgiv'n Puf (light cream)

Sire: same as above.

Wh. 7/12/93, (one cream sable male) Sire: Ch. Scooter's grandson)

Dam: Ch. Chance's grand daughter.

The Pomeranian as a Therapy Dog:

Mandy's Story

by Pauly Hubbard

As with all stories, one rarely begins with the individual, but is usually dependent on a forerunner. So, too, with Mandy's story.

King

In January of 1991, I was looking for volunteer work that I would be able to do, and still be within the framework of my children's school schedules. In the family section of our local paper, The Volunteer Center frequently posts information about positions that require volunteers. Since I particularly enjoy working with teens and young adults, I was looking for an opening that would enable me to help within that age bracket.

On a particular day, I saw an ad that was asking for pet owners, so I decided to call. The lady gave me a little information and a number to call for more details. I called the number and left a message.

When the lady called me back, she said that it was pet-assisted therapy, the dog must be at least one year old, all vaccinations current and have a basic obedience certificate.

A screening would be held in three weeks time and if I was interested, she would send me the paperwork to get started. So I said yes.

I was very sure that King, a large, black Standard Poodle, would be excellent in therapy work. He was three years old and exhibited a special charisma that reached out and touched all types of people; he was current on his vaccinations and he'd had basic obedience. So I scrambled to get all the requirements in by the deadline time.

As this is Mandy's story, I will just say here that King passed the screening with flying colors and the three training sessions as well. By March of 1991, he was a registered therapy dog.

It is required of every dog in our organization to be groomed and bathed within 24 hours of entering a facility, so I

would spend hours clipping and bathing King to get him ready for each session. At one point when a coordinator called me late one Friday night to ask if I could go to the facility the next morning, I had to say no because it would take me most of the night to get him ready.

Due to the disappointment I felt in not being able to help her out on the spur of the minute, I decided it would be beneficial to have two therapy dogs. I wanted to find a very small dog that would take less time to groom and bathe and would not require any clipping.

Thirteen years ago, we had a Pomeranian and I was strongly considering another one. But that first Pom really objected to being held snugly and was not fond of kids, so I wasn't sure if the breed would be a good choice. Well, I got on our computer to the online service and asked some Pomeranian people what they thought about a Pom as a therapy dog.

Mandy

Now if you know very many Pom people and I assume you do or you wouldn't be reading the **Pom Review**, you know that they are committed to the breed and they know all the good and bad about Poms. I was assured by several people that though Pom is so little, they are extremely hard and versatile and they would make great therapy dogs. For weren't there Poms in Agility and Tracking? And some people even knew of Poms who were already therapy dogs.

I began looking for a Pom and calling around, but couldn't find the right one. I was working for a veterinarian at that time and her motto was always, "If you wait, the right one will come to you." So I waited.

In the meantime, King and I were still doing therapy and going to the fun events that our organization was involved in. It was during one of these events that my waiting ended. While we were at the Special Olympics, a lady whose daughter was a participant approached me and said her Pomeranian had just had a litter of pups and they were marked in coloring like King. That's why she told me about them. She

didn't know that I had been looking for a Pom or would even want one.

After discussing them for awhile and telling her I was particularly interested in one for therapy purposes, she gave me her name and number. My husband and I discussed it, then we went to see the puppies. She had two left and as I picked them both up, the one in my left hand struggled to get down and the one in my right hand cuddled into my neck.

The choice was made and we went home with an eight-week old, cuddly Pom puppy.

Life has never been the same since, for having a Pom puppy in the house was almost like having a new baby. I just love names that have significance, so in figuring out a name, I used from her mother's, a grandmother's, and her father's names. We welcomed home Knacks Amanda Panda Bear and we call her Mandy, or since there is already a Mandy in our therapy group, we call her Mandy Bear to keep them separate.

I was determined from the beginning to train her in such a way that she would be an even better therapy dog than her "big brother," King, so I took her almost everywhere with me to socialize her and I allowed my kids to play with her as much as possible, and she played with King and our cat, Crystal. We took her to my daughter's class for Show and Tell and she had a wonderful time while she was being socialized.

When she was six months old, we went through the agony of having her spayed and again I turned to the wonderful people on the computer for help. They told me to be sure to use a certain type of anesthesia and gave me reassurance that she would be fine--and she was. Mandy also started obedience training, and we went for 12 weeks in basic obedience. The instructors were very encouraging and wanted me to take her on to intermediate lessons. About this time, I was able to personally meet one of the ladies who lives near me that I had met on the computer and she has been a wonderful source of help and encouragement. She also thought I should go on with Mandy's training, so we went for 24 more weeks in intermediate classes.

During this training time, we did many unusual things to scare proof the dogs from being flighty in an obedience ring and because of this, Mandy was learning to obey in situations I knew she might encounter during therapy work.

On February 24, 1993, Mandy turned one year old so was now eligible to try out as a therapy dog. The next screening would be May 29th and the next three months were spent in exposing her to as many unusual situations as possible to have her ready. I also spent that time worrying that she would not pass screening. Again, the folks on the computer were there to encourage me and give me confidence.

Screening Day

A year's worth of planning and work and hopes were going to be tested on May 29th, not just a little black dog, so I woke up nervous that morning. Since I had already been through the screening with King, I knew what to expect and I was worried that Mandy would not do well. She seemed intimidated when several people approached her all at once or when they reached out to pet her and since that is mostly what occurs in a therapy setting, I wasn't sure how she would do.

Two crises occurred before I even got out the door, so the screening didn't seem to have the same proportions in my mind as it had before.

I walked down the hall to get something from the back bedroom and saw a dark object lying on the carpet. When I flipped the light on--there lay a snake!!! Can you imagine the sheer panic and horror? Thoughts of screening went right out of my mind. So did whatever I was going after in the bedrooms. To this day, I can't remember what it was.

Well, I think that snake was just as scared of me as I was of it (I didn't get close enough to see if it was a she or a he!, the cat had brought it in and my son had "saved" it from her and we didn't even know if it was poisonous or not!), so it turned tail and slithered back under my son's door. I knew it would be impossible to find it, for a teenager's room is always just as a teenager

likes to keep it. I woke my son up by screaming, "Get that snake out of my house!" and he started looking for it. Somehow, knowing that a snake was loose in the house and he couldn't find it made me relax about the screening.

The second crisis was not so heart stopping, but as I was loading the van up to go, my daughter yelled, "Mom, there's King at the neighbors!" He had been in the back yard, but here he was now, two houses down in the front yard. I called him and let him in the house and left for the screening.

Since I skipped over this part in King's story, I want to go into more detail here. I will be quoting from a brochure published by our therapy organization, **Paws Across Texas, Inc.** (herein called P.A.T.), copyrighted 1988 and used by permission of our director.

To even have arrived at the screening, Mandy and I had to meet these requirements. "All potential P.A.T. representatives must have proper qualifications, provide a completed P.A.T. application with a P.A.T. health certification form, provide proof of basic obedience training, and attend the P.A.T. screening/orientation program including required training sessions. In addition to being at least one year of age, all dogs must be of good temperament, obedient, in good health, and reliably housebroken."

So, we arrived at the screening facility and got all signed in. We were issued a number that would designate the order in which we screened. As others arrived, we had some time to get to know each other while we waited for our turn.

Our number was called, and the moment had arrived. My heart was beating almost as much as when I had seen that snake lying in the hall at home.

The screening is designed to test the dog by using emulated situations that could occur in any type of a therapy setting. Indeed, I had encountered every phase of the screening at one point or another with King in actual therapy sessions. So I knew the importance of Mandy being able to pass each step.

When the first lady greeted us and asked if her friends could say hello, Mandy got

frightened, but one of the men picked her up and hugged her and from there on it went more smoothly. She proved what a trooper she is. As we proceeded to each step, Mandy continued to surprise me by accepting each unusual situation and taking it in stride. Many of the "scare-proofing" techniques we had used in training class proved valuable.

We passed the first part of the screening and waited until everyone else had gone through so we could do the obedience testing. Once again the additional training helped us out and Mandy did very well.

After everyone that passed their screening was finished, we assembled for the orientation. We were told more about the organization. "Paws Across Texas" is a nonprofit, incorporated, charitable organization. Its purpose is to provide diversified therapy programs using trained volunteers (representatives) and their privately-owned companion animals (registered therapy dogs).

P.A.T. services multiple types of facilities which include psychiatric care and medical hospitals, nursing/convalescent-care homes, retirement homes, physical rehabilitation hospitals and special education schools.

An orientation program with in-field training provides both dog and potential representative valuable techniques and necessary information for producing the therapeutic working team desired by P.A.T. to aid existing therapies (physical, speech, etc.) in various facilities. Therapy dog registry and representative certification is provided by P.A.T. through current membership.

We were also told at orientation that as a team we would be re-evaluated every other year as a means of keeping our membership current. We were asked to schedule our three training sessions as soon as we could, remembering that we had 60 days to complete them in. After the third training session, if all went well, our dogs would be registered and we would be members of the organization.

Some of you may be wondering, "Well, what IS animal-assisted therapy and how do you actually DO therapy?" The P.A.T.

brochure states it this way: "This form of therapeutic modality is the introduction of an animal into the immediate environment of an individual or group, as a medium for interaction for the purpose of causing physical, psychological, or emotional responses. Research has shown that many humans have a natural love for animals. If properly utilized, this bonding furnishes a format for responsive interactions not otherwise possible by other human stimuli."

Training Session #1

Our first training session was at a nursing home and the people were so eager to hold and pet the dogs. Many spoke of their own favorite pets and as a result interacted with us when many times they spoke very little. It was so incredible to see their eyes light up as we came into their hall to see them.

One gentleman was paralyzed on his left side but he wanted to hold Mandy and she snuggled right into his neck as he held her. When I told him she was giving him her special hug, his face just lit up.

Another precious lady reached out to pet Mandy and Mandy "kissed" her hand. I told the lady she must be very special because she was the only one Mandy had kissed that day. The lady just glowed and showed another volunteer each finger that Mandy had kissed. So simple, yet bringing joy and a special moment to a hungry heart.

Training Session #2

"P.A.T. Animal-Assisted Therapy was established to address the individual needs of various facilities. The P.A.T. program promotes a trusting and bonding relationship in a voluntary and nonthreatening environment for psychological and physical responses and interactions."

How true this proved to be at our second training session. For this one, we went to a rehabilitative medical center and were able to work with five wonderful ladies. Each needed physical therapy due to a stroke or some type of trauma.

The first lady I approached did not want

to hold or pet Mandy, so I just sat by her and continued to talk to her. Eventually, she reached out and shook Mandy's "hand." A positive response after a negative beginning. At the very least, this same lady allowed Mandy to sit on her lap to say goodbye to her.

Another lady only spoke Spanish, so we could not communicate in the same way I was used to. Though the aide spoke Spanish, she did not offer to act as interpreter unless the Hispanic lady spoke. I put Mandy on her lap and she cuddled and petted her until Mandy wanted down, so I just held Mandy on my lap while the lady continued to pet her. No words were spoke except I told the lady "good" because Mandy really liked the way she was petting her. Then the Hispanic lady said "pretty." Yet I felt such a companionship with that lady, more than anyone else we've worked with.

Our second training session was a success as well.

Training Session #3

"P.A.T. therapy dogs are sociable and friendly, have a well-trained and mature manner, are well-groomed and exemplify a true companion relationship and bond with their human partners. The P.A.T. dogs are selected for their tolerance and adaptability in unfamiliar environments and compatibility with other animals. P.A.T. exercises are developed to be purposeful and are individually goal-oriented; therefore, they should not be viewed as 'tricks.'"

This was proved out at our third training session. For our last session I had chosen a psychiatric unit and on this particular day, we were working with children about 8-11 years old. We had a large room with carpeting, so we were able to implement more activity from the young people we were working with.

We had the boys get on their stomachs and then Mandy was to jump over them one at a time. This went real well as she could jump each one. Then we had them get on their hands and knees and I had Mandy go under each one by holding a treat on their

other side. She had never been taught to do this, but game to the end, she acted like a pro who had been doing it for years.

After a half hour, we went to a different floor to see some other children. These may have ranged from 5 or 6 to 12 years old. Each one was allowed to hold Mandy. Sometimes, after only a minute or so she would want down. But there was one beautiful little girl that when she held her, Mandy just cuddled down and looked like she would go to sleep. It was really a special time to see how much Mandy trusted her.

After this session, we were a registered therapy team. The year's work was worth it!

A Tricky Tail?

I wanted to tell a little more about the "tricks" that aid in doing actual therapy. If a dog will do no more than lay or stand there and let someone pet or brush him, he will make an excellent therapy dog. But if the dog will do more, then more therapy can be done without the person even realizing it, so it's more fun for them.

One of our dogs will "dance" in circles, so by having a stroke patient hold the treat in the hand that needs worked, then making a circular motion to get the dog to dance, they are utilizing motor skills in that hand, even if the volunteer has to support their hand while doing it. Also, saying the command "dance" to get the dog to obey utilizes speech therapy as well. This same dog and several others will jump over a stick being held by the patient, or over someone's leg held out.

Another dog is able to pick out a golf ball by scent, so the person is asked to choose their favorite color (making a mental choice), they are to pick the ball up and rub it between both hands, (motor skills) and place it back with the other balls. Then the dog picks out the ball with their scent on it and takes it to the person, who then gives her a treat.

King likes to catch ice cubes, so I have the person hold the cube, then they must call his name and say "catch," then toss it fairly

high towards him. This uses several capabilities.

At one session, we had the kids on their finger tips and toes to have King run under them. It worked fairly well until we got to a smaller boy. As King went under him, the boy wasn't high enough, so he got a free ride on down the hall straddled over King's back. The kids laughed and laughed and never forgot.

When we work with our director and her dog, we will have King in a stand/stay position and Lady runs under him to fetch a ball that was thrown by a patient. She retrieves the ball and runs back under King to deliver it to the person. The biggest problem we've had with this trick is that Lady's tail curls up over her back and tickles King's tummy. He really jumps then and the kids just love to laugh.

Mandy will run and fetch a ball until a healthy person's arm is ready to drop off, so we will be able to use motor skills in tossing a ball. Also, I am working on several more "tricks" that we can enlist the aid of patients to help us perform them. Jumping through a hoop, or over a stick, to sit up and "ask" for a treat (for a Pom is never a beggar!) and maybe even dance for people. I recently bought a pop gun that shoots out little colored balls about the size of a golf ball. She then chases them and brings them back. I think that will work real well, especially with little boys (and maybe even a few bigger ones!). The possibilities are endless and though there are many types of "tricks," each one is designed to use specific motor skills to aid therapy work.

Tale End

So, you have a better idea now of animal-assisted therapy and of one little Pom in particular. Many people have expressed interest in doing this type of therapy, so here are a few suggested ideas from the P.A.T. brochure. "Other sources in the community include SPCA/Humane Societies, private dog clubs, groups associated with local veterinarians or pet stores, zoos/wildlife sanctuaries, farms/ranches, or individual dog owners."

Just in case you think therapy is all work and no play, we go to various fun-day events where we have a booth and talk to people about pet-assisted therapy. We also do parades and walk-a-thon/runs and as mentioned before, Special Olympics. Each and every part brings its own rewards.

Though this sounds like the end of the story, it is really a beginning that I hope will continue for many years. We have had other therapy sessions since I first started writing and each one has a special highlight to it. I hope some of you are encouraged to try therapy work, not only for the benefit it can bring to any number of people, but also for the rewards that one gets from helping others.

In telling one little dog's story, it came to me that there are so many people who helped us attain therapy dog status. The folks of our computer online service were invaluable with their support and confidence in us. Also, my husband and kids had to put up with me being gone for training classes and therapy sessions. King was very instrumental in paving the way for Mandy. I would like to extend a special thanks to the Director and people of "Paws Across Texas, Inc." for a caring organization that has helped forge lifetime friendships and to Beverly for all her help and encouragement with Mandy's story. P.S. We never found the snake! ☺

Helpful Hints

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Whether you show in conformation or obedience or go just to watch, specialties are wonderful! In the space of less than a month this fall, I attended 5 specialties--the 3 Dallas Pom specialties, the Pom Club of Greater Baltimore, and the Greyhound National--and all were great fun. The best part of any specialty is getting to visit with wonderful friends, old and new, human and canine. Only a few can win in the ring, but we're all winners outside the ring.

Putting on combined specialties like the

Dallas cluster is a tremendous undertaking. It takes years of planning, work, and fundraising. It was obvious that the Texas folks had made a lot of effort to make these events wonderful and to give the participants a pleasurable experience. Oh yes, there were problems; there always problems! (See the Great Pyrenees column in the October '93 Gazette.) In preparing for a big event like this, committee members need to think of worst case scenarios and try to be prepared for anything. Most of the difficulties I experienced or observed were associated with poor motel management. It is difficult to say how much of that the committees could have foreseen. When doing long-range planning, I have found that there is a frequent turnover in hotel personnel and it is best to check with the hotel regularly to be sure that new people are aware of arrangements and agreements. Get it in writing! I know the Texas people--all volunteers--worked very hard, and it's unfair to heap excessive criticism on them.

Why is it that dog show banquets are usually overpriced and the food is less than fabulous? The Thursday banquet was typical. I kept asking myself, "Why am I paying \$15 for fajitas?" The service was poor. By the time we were served, we'd have eaten cardboard. The salads were never brought, and dessert was a joke. But the company was great and the auction entertaining. Steve Cookston was pressed into duty as auctioneer and did a grand job. The Friday banquet was loads of fun, with tasty food, dancing, and pinata bashing.

It was interesting to attend the following all-breed shows and compare them to the mid-Atlantic shows I'm used to. I don't know if the Dallas and Fort Worth shows are typical, but the directions to the sites in the judging programs were awful. Grooming space was great!

Overall it was an interesting, pleasurable, exhausting trip, and we are looking forward to going to New Orleans.

One of the high points of the Texas trip for me was getting to meet some of the local obedience folks, especially Jimmie Lawrence and OTCH Crickette's Midnight

Song CS, our breed's newest OTCH. An OTCH is a huge undertaking. It takes a tremendous commitment of time, travel, money, training, and some luck. A friend recently finished the third OTCH Irish Water Spaniel. From the time she finished the UD, it took three years! We should all be proud of and impressed by Jimmie's and Crickette's accomplishments.

Here are Jimmie's comments, delivered at the Friday night banquet:

"I would like to thank the American Pomeranian Club and the DFW Pomeranian Club for giving me the opportunity to show my super star 'Obedience Trial Champion' at your National Specialty.

Crickette is a super star Obedience Pom. She is a multi High in Trial/High Combined Winner and the #1 APC Obedience Pom for 1992. She is ranked #3 Toy and #6 Toy in the Shuman and Delaney Rankings for 1992. She is also the #1 Pom in both the Shuman and Delaney rankings for 1992 and also for 1990. She was the #1 APC Utility Pom for 1992. She earned a Dog World Award for her Companion Dog Title and a Super Utility Dog Award in 1992. As you can see, she has accomplished a lot with many placements during her career in Obedience.

"1988 was the last time a Pomeranian earned the title "Obedience Trial Champion." Every year approximately 12,000 dogs of every breed show in Obedience trials held throughout the country. But, out of the approximately 12,000 dogs that are shown, only about 80 dogs earn the title.

"Yesterday, approximately 26 champions were shown for Best of Breed, Crickette is only the fourth Pomeranian in the history of the breed to achieve the title "Obedience Trial Champion." She is the first OTCH Pomeranian to go High in Trial at a National Specialty.

"An Obedience Trial Champion comes once in a lifetime if you are very, very lucky. They are as rare as the once in a lifetime outstanding athlete who wins the "GOLD." Crickette is one of those dogs. She is truly an ambassador for the breed and a true champion. She has been a delight

to show over the past eight years. We have had great weekends and not so great, but she has always been my shining star exhibiting all of the wonderful qualities that make up a Pomeranian. Drive, temperament, intelligence, structure, and most of all, and unending love for her family and everyone she meets.

"Training and showing Crickette has been a labor of love. It took me eight years to train and show Crickette to her championship. Many hundreds of hours of training, lots of seminars, and friends who were always there to give me the answers to training problems have given me a devotion and love for my dog that can never be expressed in words. Without Crickette, I would never have made so many wonderful friends all over the world in breed and obedience. I am proud that she is a Pomeranian and that people everywhere in the world love her. She is beautiful in my eyes!

"Thank you Crickette for being that once in a lifetime dog. For giving me tremendous love for Obedience and the breed. When you go, a part of me will go with you. You are truly a champion in every sense of the word. Your life blood and energy flows through my body, and I love you with all my heart."

According to the AKC, in 1992, there were 220 Pomeranians that finished bench championships. Poms earned a total of 57 obedience titles: 43 CD's, 11 CDX's, and 6 UD's. Stats for a couple of other years: 1990--250 Ch's, 58 CD's, 10 CDX's, and 6 UD's; 1989-212 Ch's, 41 CD's, 17 CDX's, and 3 UD's.

The number of obedience titlists has increased over the last 20 years, gradually. There is no limit to the number of CD's that can be earned. AKC keeps the number of champions stable because it controls the point system.

Look at those numbers again. Now, I'm not going to denigrate the championship; I'm very proud of my conformation champions. It is too simplistic to say that it is easier to finish a champion than an obedience degree. We all know that if you get the right handler and throw enough money at it, you can finish an unworthy



Am./Can. Ch. Pixie's Tiptoe to Neujahr

Another American Canadian Champion! Tipper is pictured taking a Group III under judge Morley Thornton, from the puppy class. Tipper finished her American championship from the 6-9 puppy class, going BOW at both PCM Specialty and OPC supported entry for her majors. As a special, she has several BOB's.

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Co-Owner/Handler: Evelyn Conley/20075 Vining/New Boston, MI 48164/(313) 753-9245

Owner: Carol A. Galavich / 52821 German Hill Rd. / Powhatan Point, OH 43942 / (614) 458-1705



Am./Can. Ch. Pixie's Buttons-N-Bows, GC

What fun we had in Canada! "BB" is pictured taking a Group II nder Judge Clover Allen, handled to perfection by Marlene Penney. We came home with new friends and a new title!

Special thanks, also, to Evelyn Blake for the use of Ch. Blake's Sir Robert John (RJ) and Ch. Annon's Sir Kennor. They have made welcome additions to our breeding program.

"BB" is a multi-Group winner and the Top Winning Bitch in 1990 and 1991!

champion. The vast majority of obedience
rings are owner trained and handled. These
owners can be justifiably proud of their
titles. They are part of a small elite group.
They are also rewarded with a close
relationship with the dog, and with getting
to meet and work with some pretty terrific
people.

Is obedience for you? Don't dismiss that
thought too quickly. Take a little time to
watch the obedience rings at the next show
you go to, especially if it is a Pom specialty.
Talk to some of the exhibitors about how
much time they spend training and what
types of training techniques they use. I'm
sure you realize that conformation and
obedience not only are not mutually
exclusive, but complement one another.
There are folks all over the country-Alice
Messard, Roz Goltz, Brenda Hutton, Judy
Green, Mary Vickers, Jerrie Freia, and lots
more-who do both. Two of the qualifiers at
the APC Trial in Texas were champions.
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Kennel Visit to Glen Iris

by Cheryl Jackson and Joel Taylor



The Jackson/Taylor Household

Part I--Cheryl's Story

We have really procrastinated about writing this kennel visit. This is not unusual for us, since every Tuesday night during the show season we are down at Federal Express getting our entries off at the last minute. Besides, it's not easy to explain why our house is filled with dogs--our relatives and friends ask that question each time they come to call, or (heaven forbid) phone us on a show weekend. Lastly, those of you who know us will understand that it is difficult for Joel and me to agree on anything and that we have different but complementary areas of expertise regarding our Poms. So I am going to try to explain how we got into this mess and where we hope to go from here, and Joel will tell you what we've done so far.

Bursting with my new found knowledge of French Level I, I named my family's first Pomeranian Le Petit Chien. In retrospect, he wasn't such a bad dog--he had a great rear, pretty head, and tons of coat. When I struck out on my own, I always had a Pom of my own and thought

I'd like to breed a litter in the future. So there we were, at the Birmingham Kennel Club show, trying to find a boy friend for my pet Pom Shiva. As luck would have it, Mrs. Polly Ferguson of Mee-Gee Poms had two males at the show--one that loved to show (the indomitable Ruckus) and another that did not (MP). She cried the whole way home after selling us MP, thinking that she had sold him to a pair of hippies.

We thought that Mee-Gee's Masterpiece, or MP, was absolutely beautiful and eventually I started conformation training classes with him. In spite of our bumbling, a dog with his movement was not to be denied, and with Hiram Stewart's help, he did finish after all. MP was the sire of our first show litter, though I can't take all the credit for that. We had purchased a daughter of Ch. Chriscendo Western Express from Janice Young, and she came into season shortly thereafter. I put her in the kitchen and him in the laundry room with a baby gate between them. Imagine our surprise when we discovered that shy, well-behaved MP could climb if he wanted to! Two out of that litter finished, Ch. Glen Iris Ivanhoe (sire of Evan, our current special) and Ch. Glen Iris Autumn Masterpiece. MP is also



Ch. Glen Iris Stormy Weather (4 mos)



Cheryl with Ch. Janesa's Glen Iris Sorceress

our first obedience titlist, achieving his CD with our good friend Donna Hobart.

In the following years we were very fortunate to acquire some wonderful dogs from a number of different people. One of those people, Eleanor Clark of Jamel's Pomeranians, sold us our first two specials--Ch. Jamel's Fugicle of Southland (a Lil Toasty son) and Ch. Jamel's Texas Tornado (a City Lights son). These two dogs were as different as night and day, and we found that we were regarded by many as just "flashes in the pan" trying to win with anything possible, with no plan behind our breeding program. These difficult first years taught us both to take advice and to learn by observation from those we admired (or feared) and to integrate this knowledge with our long-range plans.

The success we have enjoyed in breeding our dogs has not been without considerable cost--Poms are still "the heartbreak breed" and quite difficult for a newcomer to raise successfully. We

quickly learned that one can't expect a vet to solve all of one's breeding problems! It is necessary for the serious breeder to ask intelligent questions, to read, to do their homework, and be willing to listen (really listen) to what the vets and the other breeders have to say. It is absolutely necessary to be clear on things like the best anesthesia for C-sections, tube feeding techniques, and inoculation and worming regimens. Many breeders were unstinting in the time and help that they gave to us, and we hope that we can be as helpful to others in turn. Jerrie Freira scared us to death in the first time we called her, asking us all kinds of questions about our attitudes towards line-breeding, our plans for breeding two generations ahead and so on. No longer always the teacher, she is now a very close friend (and we have the phone bill to prove it). Cassandra Evans has always had a new approach or idea to tell us about, and a trip to her house has always found us coming home with more than we started



Cheryl in 1986 with our surprise first show litter.

out with, much to Joel's chagrin. Erica Moureau manages to balance the demands of her dogs and family life superbly and has served as the voice of reason in a way only a dog person/grandmother can. Sue Goddard, who has provided us with some wonderful City Lights children, including Ch. Tim Sue's Evening Lights (Evan's mother) and Ch. Tim Sue's Distant Lights, has taught us more than anyone else to keep all of this in perspective. She told us a story about how she was talking to a prospective Pom buyer at a show and mentioned the name of a prominent breeder from a few years back. The woman said, "Who's that? I've never heard of her." And that about sums it up. In the end our fleeting bits of glory in this game won't matter to anyone but ourselves, so we might as well savor it all--the ups and downs, the friendships and the mishaps for a least it is better to try your best than to sit at home and do nothing at all.

Our desire in breeding a quality Pom is to have a certain look and attitude that we find appealing, and not necessarily to have a dog that looks just like whatever dog is winning at the time. Our outcrosses have been mainly between bev-Nor and Tim-Sue lines, with some Scotia and Great Elms mixed in from Cassandra

Evans. In evaluating our dogs, we look for attitude first--a dog that says "Look at me!" may be a better example of the spirit of the breed than a structurally perfect but painfully shy specimen. Movement is an important aspect in determining a dog's quality in that a good moving dog tends to be a healthier, more balanced animal. We are not locked into a certain head or body type, although we do prefer a dog that is well up on leg with a good side profile (even without trimming). One of the biggest problems in our Poms today, and one that is not easy to change is the quality of the coat texture. A correct coat must be bred for, not achieved only through spraying and trimming. Although some people don't trim their dogs, we most definitely do since we prefer a neat, polished appearance. Subtlety in grooming is important, though, since our dogs are not, after all, Poodles. We believe that the stiff competition in today's show ring is forcing intelligent breeders to acknowledge the strengths and weaknesses of their own breeding programs. The ease of travel and the burgeoning success of our national specialties (which are a showcase for breeders and not just another dog show) have encouraged many breeders to use dogs of differing backgrounds to enhance



We table and lead train out in front of our house.



Here comes dinner!

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their bloodline when necessary.

Our dogs are by necessity raised in our home. We live in a historical district named--you guessed it!--Glen Iris--and are restricted in the number of dogs that we can have. The majority of the dogs are housed in a room adjacent to the kitchen, while bitches in season or invalids are housed in the laundry room. Mothers to be are brought up to our bedroom a week or two before whelping, and the puppies remain upstairs until it is time for their first shots. Young puppies reside in the kitchen until they become nasty teenagers at which time they join the adults. Our back yard is divided into a dog yard lined with limestone gravel, and a grassy people yard (now lined with toys). We gaze longingly at the wonderful kennels sported by many of our fellow breeders, but we love our house (money pit that it is) and we like having the dogs close by. Our children both adore the Poms and have been pretty good at the shows so far, but for the next few years we will be hanging back a bit to stay home and socialize them properly.

Our breed attracts many people who have already raised their own brood and have taken on the Poms as a second family. They chuckle a bit as we swoop down to catch one child or another at the

shows, and tell us that it will only get worse. Well, we did it all backwards and had the dogs first--it's tough right now, but we kind of like it this way.

Part II--Joel's Story

My primary interest as a part of Glen Iris has always been in exhibiting. Whether it is a dog we bred or one belonging to someone else, if I like it, I'll show it. It hasn't always been this way, though. At first, when Ceryl bought her first show Pom, I was very skeptical of the whole thing. After several weekends of watching her, however, I said that I might like to try my hand at showing. On my first try I went winners dog, and I've been hooked ever since. We've been showing for about eight years now, and we've learned a great deal--it's not as easy as it appears to be! There's a lot of finesse involved in successfully presenting a dog to its greatest advantage, and that can only come from close observation of those who seem to know what they're doing. A good handler knows that he or she can always learn something new and useful from someone else. I certainly don't claim to be a professional handler, but I love to show and do the best I can, always willing to try new techniques.

Regardless of the subtle nuances needed to really be good, though, there are a few things that everyone should know about and practice, regardless of background in dogs:

Know what your dog's strong points are and take him/her to judges who look for those things in particular. This can include things such as head type, color, coat condition, back length, front and/or rear movement, side gait, length of leg, and showmanship. Sometimes it is necessary to travel some distance in order to show your dogs under the right judges to win.

Know how to groom your dog in order to accentuate strong points and to detract from weak ones. I'm very fortunate to have Ceryl to do this for me, as I consider her one of the best Pom groomers in the

country. As an example, a dog that is long and low to the ground will be trimmed on the ruff and through the haunches to visually shorten back, and under the belly to give the impression of more leg. NEVER let your dog LOOK trimmed, except on feet, legs and around the anus. Body coat should always look as natural as possible. Only practice makes perfect in this area. Always present your dog clean, and layer brushed TO THE SKIN, with legs slickered upwards--this helps give the dog's coat a lush appearance. We try not to use much spray or powder because foreign substance in the coat has become such an issue.

Walk into the ring like you expect to win, and be prepared to do whatever is necessary to show your dog off in the ring. This often requires a handler to get on the floor with the dog in order to do what is needed. For example, a dog with a bad rear needs to be stacked with the rear facing away from the judge's direct view. A dog with movement problems should be moved in a manner that makes them look the best whether it be slowly, quickly, on a loose or tight lead. No dog is perfect, and something can be done to detract from most faults.

Wear clothes that will not detract from your dogs, but instead will accentuate them. A woman should never wear a loose, flowing skirt, because it can frighten the dogs. Always look neat and comfortable, and try to appear calm. This can be very hard; I know, because I still get nervous, even after eight years.

Don't be afraid of judges--they are people, too. It is not a good idea, though, to ask a judge why he/she did not put up your dog in particular. It is better, in my opinion, to ask at another time what he/she looks for in a Pom and in a show dog in general. As long as you keep to theory rather than specific dogs, many judges are quite willing to share their opinions. It is important to remember that EVERYONE loses a certain percentage of the time--there are other dogs besides yours which are deserving of a win. This is one area where we've had the greatest

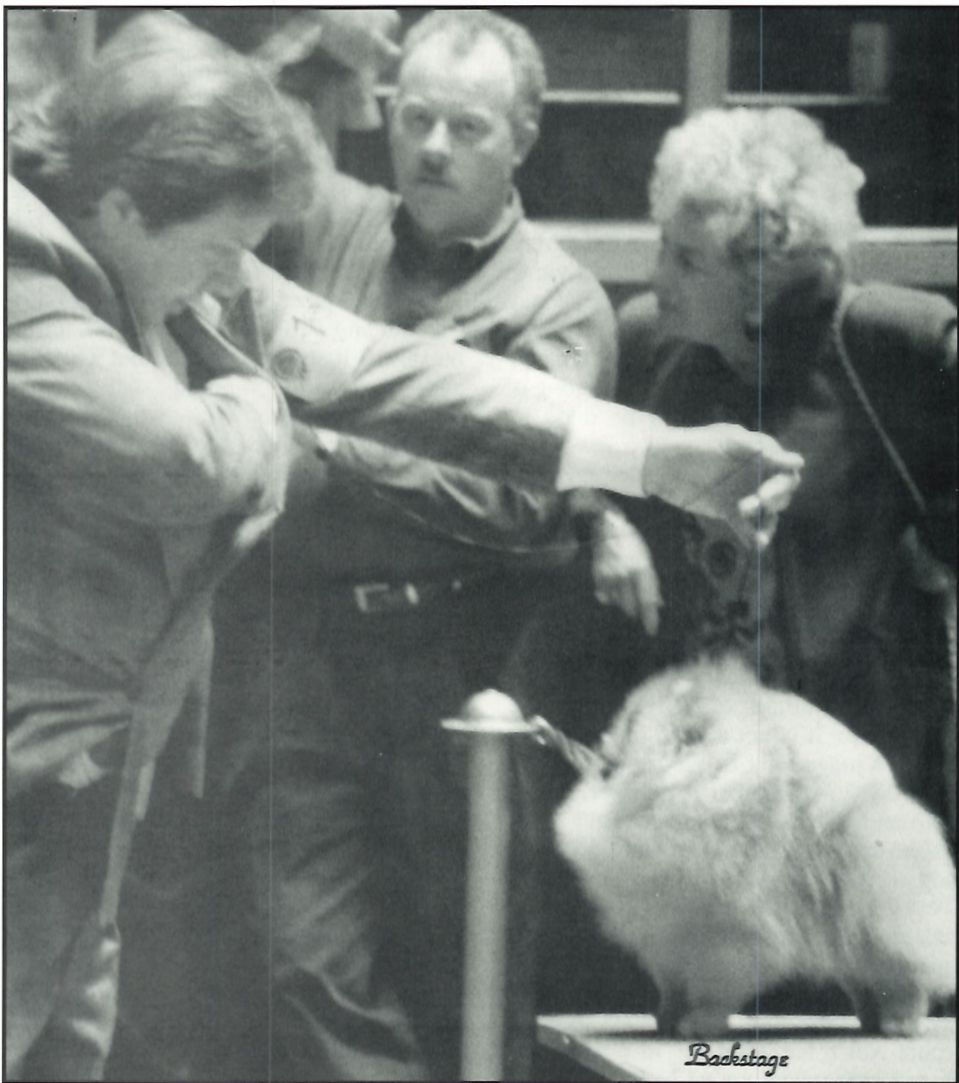
change in attitude. We're much more relaxed now about winning and losing.

Ceryl and I have enjoyed a certain measure of success, but only because we have worked hard, gone to shows frequently, and truly immersed ourselves in the game. We've probably finished 40 or 50 dogs in the classes, and have campaigned six specials to one degree of success or another, mostly owner handled. "Skyler," Ch. Jamel's Fugicle of Southland, was the first, and was not owner handled. He was shown by Mike Kemp, and was multiple group winner and a top ten Pom at the time; a real little pistol. "Torry," Ch. Jamel's Texas Tornado, was owner handled to a top five position with multiple group wins--a beautiful dog. After Tory retired we showed Ch. Tim Sue's Distant Lights for a short while, mostly shown by Nancy Burnette--very sound, and a lot of fun; a real mover. Then came "Zac," Ch. Southland's Mr. VIP O' Ida, our first really big winner. We campaigned him to #1 Pom and #10 Toy Dog in 1990, all by ourselves. It almost killed us, but we did it and we are proud of those accomplishments. We would drive sometimes ten hours after work on Friday just to hit a certain judging panel, and then have to be back at work at 9:00 Monday morning. We did this every weekend for almost two years with Zac, and he gave us our first Best in Show, which was a wonderful thrill. Zac was a sweet dog, a real show dog, and we were very close. It was very hard on us when he died. On and off during the last five years we have shown a great little bitch, Ch. Janesa's Glen Iris Sorceress, "Sable." Sable is a multiple group winner and LOVES to show. She's taken several breaks in order to whelp litters, and is a great producer. Our current special, bred by us and shown by first Erika Moureau and then by us until our children forced a temporary semi-retirement, is "Evan," Ch. Glen Iris Castle Rock. Evan is now shown by Mike and Nina Work, who do a great job with him, and is owned by Rose Ellen Fetter and co-owned by us. He went Best of Breed at Westminster in 1993 and as of

this writing has amassed eight Best in Shows and a Specialty Best in Show. I have to say that winning at the Garden was one of the most exciting things that has occurred to me in dogs. It was as wonderful as the first BIS--and what an honor to win there under such a respected breeder-judge as Mr. Bivin. Naturally, we have high hopes for Evan in 1994. I must also note that an Evan son, "Hans," Ch. Glen Iris Luckdragon, owned by Tim and Sue Goddard, is also making his mark in the ring, as a multiple specialty and group

winner. Hans has the prettiest Pom head that I think I've ever seen.

In closing, Cheryl and I want to first thank the American Pomeranian Club and the Pomeranian Review for honoring us with this kennel visit. We also want to congratulate all of those who have finished Glen Iris Poms and/or who are currently showing them, and to thank those many who have helped us along the way. May you all have continued success in the Pom ring and the dog world! ☺



Joel and Ch. Glen Iris Castle Rock at Westminster, 1993.

All our Poms are Glen Iris Poms!

Congratulations on your Kennel Visit!



Ch. Glen Iris Charmaine D'Or
 (Ch. Glen Iris Charlemagne x Ch. Wee Heart's Bearly An Angel)

Bred by Cheryl Jackson and Joel Taylor, this girl finished her championship in a spectacular fashion by going BOW at the Houston Pomeranian Specialty for 5 points under Judge Charlotte Patterson and Best Opposite at the APC Specialty for 5 points under Judge Eve Smail.

Owner handled by Katie Snyder and Cheryl Jackson.

In Loving Memory of....



Am., Can. Ch. Jamel's Fugicle of Southland

known as

"Skyler"

- A GREAT SHOW DOG
- A GREAT PRODUCER
- A GREAT FRIEND

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Glen Iris Star Diamond, CDX, CGC

(Ch. Jamel's Fugicle of Southland x Wee Hearts Carolina Calling)

You Gotta Have Heart!

Only 3.5 pounds but oh, what a heart! Each time we walk into the ring, and I stand there trembling, "Pixie looks up at me as if to say, 'Relax, Mom, we can do this.'" And we have by placing in the ribbons 8 out of the 11 times she has been shown!

"Pixie" is my first obedience dog but not my last, as I have requested a little sister for her from Glen Iris. We might have to wait a while as Cheryl is looking for that special sparkle and speed it takes for the obedience ring.

Thank you, Cheryl and Joel, for giving me the opportunity to own this beautiful and very special little Pom. She fills all my days with love, companionship, and joy.

We are now in Utility training. Wish us luck!

Her record is as follows:

- CD in three shows: (2nd, 191; 1st, 193; 3rd, 180)
- CDX in four shows: (3rd, 193.5; 190; 187)
- 2 Legs in Novice B, W.W.K.C.: (2nd, 195; 3rd, 187)
- 2 Legs in Novice B, U.K.C.: (2nd, 197; 3rd, 197)



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Glen Iris Poms

Let George Do It.....

And...He Did!!!!!!



Glen Iris Mr. President

George just started his show career in the West. So far his wins in the past month include: Silver State KC, WD, BOW, Mrs. Ruth Davidson; Superstition KC, WD, BOW, Mrs. Helen Lee James; Kachina KC, WD, BOW, Mrs. Julie Moreno; Scottsdale DFA, WD, BOW, Mrs. Myron Gauger; Pom Club of Greater Phx, WD, Mr. Arley Hussin.

Thanks Joel and Cheryl for letting GEORGE live with us. We are very glad we didn't have to call him Hillary. Puppies sired by GEORGE are expected early in January. Write for pedigree.

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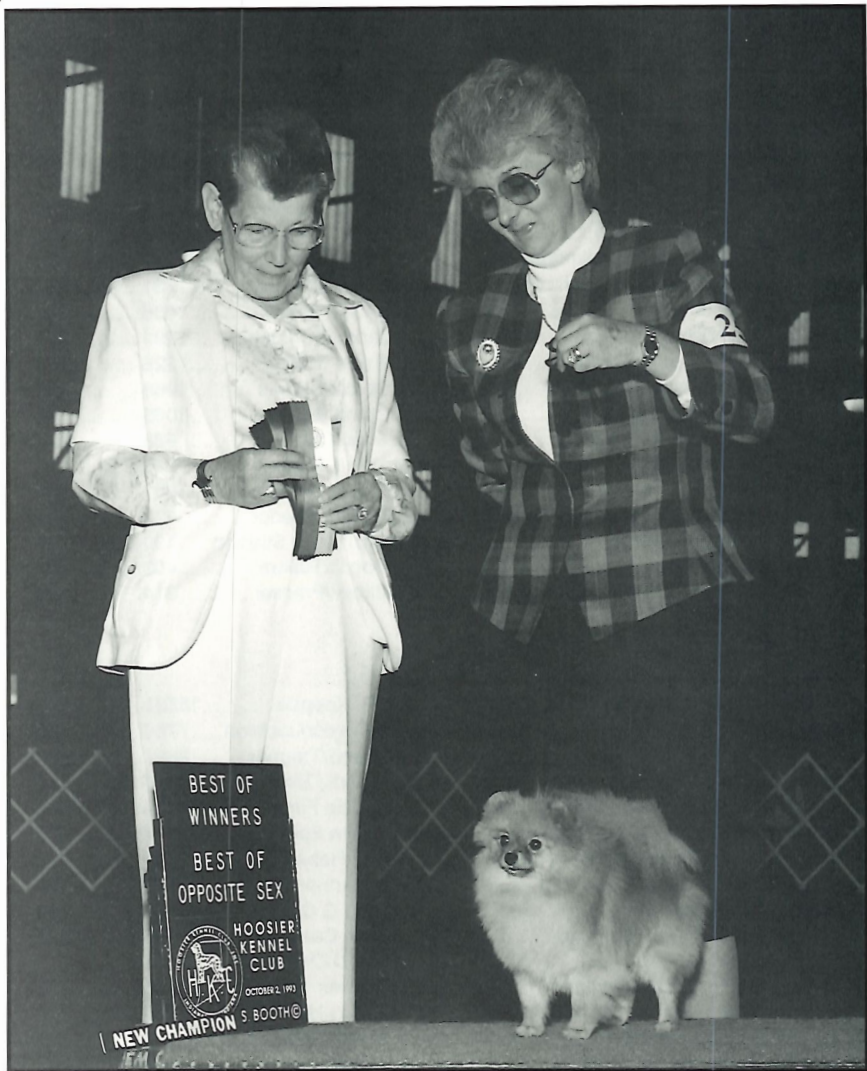
Group Points

Dog's Name	Owner	Group	Breed
01 Ch. Cassio's Flash in the Pan.....	R Koepfel	15535	1051
02 Ch. Absolute's Magic Mountain	R & J Blank	8156	486
03 Ch. Glen Iris Castle Rock.....	Fetter/Taylor/Jackson	7789	820
04 Ch. Southland's Mighty Impressive	Baumgartner/Spelke	5846	347
05 Ch. Finch's He Walks On Water	Diane Finch	4034	438
06 Ch. Moreno's Perri Winkle	Moreno/Trauner	3897	583
07 Ch. Rock N Tradition of Oakridge.....	Nina Epps	2397	432
08 Ch. Treasured Dean's Hi Hierarchy.....	D Hebert	1731	372
09 Ch. TLC Bon Jovi	M and D Ontiveros	1686	223
10 Ch. Ozark's Mighty Mite	K and G Crouch	1291	267
11 Ch. Jimcin's Image of Friday.....	A and S Alford	1225	103
12 Ch. Great Elms Little Demetrius	Dolores Watts	1068	223
13 Ch. Beltane Gold Digger	P and B Curry	1065	99
14 Ch. Starfire's Totally Tempting.....	Jose Cabrera.....	985	227
15 Ch. Jan's Willie Makit	Jane Lehtinen	940	114
16 Ch. Tim Sue's Harbor Lights.....	Susan Conlee	651	153
17 Ch. Willowbred Vegas Monsoon.....	T and J Reeder	570	111
18 Ch. Chriscendo Classica.....	C Heartz/R & D Stratton	499	133
19 Ch. Fame Showtime.....	Donna Reihm	403	101
20 Ch. Extane Vanilla Fudge Sunday.....	Shipek/Presser	314	152

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17 Ch. Southland I'm So Impressive	Meyers/Laffer	299	150
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19 Ch. Odyssey's Shadow of Keno	A Kossaih/J Lucido	140	116
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While we have compiled this report with care, we do not claim absolute accuracy. This is not the method for choosing the APC Annual Awards.
Jean B. Schroll, Columnist



Ch. Koh-I-Noor's Lil Bit O'Heaven
(Ch. Stolanne's Classique Comet x Taffy of Wright Way)

Prudence was proudly owner handled all the way to her championship. To all the judges who saw her special qualities, my heartfelt thanks.

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Behind the New Titlists

Three generation pedigrees of new Pomeranian Titlists belonging to members of the American Pomeranian Club will be printed free if sent in by the owner. Please send the dog's name, sex, owner's name, and breeder's name on a separate sheet of paper. Please type or print legibly. Please send copies of pedigrees that don't need to be returned. Mail all information to the Editor.

Ch Koh-I-Noor's Lil Bit O'Heaven

Orange Female
Breeder: Pam Yongen
Owner: Pam Yongen

Ch Bev-Nor's Double Fudge
Ch Bea Mary Hazy Day
Bea Mary Trinkka of Early Day

Ch Stolanne's Classique Comet

Ch Dixieland Rock of Millamor
Ch Stolanne Mystique Starlet
O My Starmist Minuette
Ch Dixieland Rock of Millamor
Ch Flame of Wright Way
Ginger of Wright Way

Taffy of Wright Way

Teno's Sundance Jody
Tinker of Wright Way
Deuce's Clamorous Jane

Ch Rhynstone Ultimate Warrior

Red Male
Breeder: Joyce Urban
Owner: David R. Edwards

Great Elms Bobby Beam
Ch Rhynstone Dodger of Lenette
Great Elms Jessica of Lenette

Ch Rhynstone the Main Event

Tiperons Dandy Lion
Ch Rhynstone Lady in Red
Wyndmere's Terracotta Rose
Janesa's Lucky Chip
Trievon Harbor Lights Song
Tinka Too

Wyndmeres Chantilly Lace

Charken's Little Dickens
Trievon Satin Floss
Trievon Gretchen Hope

Ch Allayn's Against All Odds

Orange Sable Female
Breeder: Mary Allan
Owner: Maria Kneisler

Ch Theldun's Almond Fudge
Ch Bev-Nor's Toasted Fudge
Bev-Nor's Sweet and Sassy

Ch Southland's Toasted Fudge

Ch Theldun's Almond Fudge
Ch Southland's Happy Birthday Bil
Ch Bev-Nor's Fudge Delight
Ch Moreno's Critics' Choice
Moreno's Singleton by Choice
Moreno's Phoebe

Shamrock's Tarbubble V Allayn

Ch Shamrock's Little Image Maker
Shamrock's Ebony Angel O'Image
Gold Gem's Sabrina Sunrise

Ch McGuire's Wish Up On A Star

Orange Male
Breeder: Goldie McGuire
Owner: Russell and JoAnn Kern

Ch Millamor's Rock Music
Ch Millamor's Mood Music
Millamor's Judy Brown

McGuire's Star of Moody

McGuire's Fantasy Super Star
McGuire's Brittany Star
Bobby's Cuddles
Ch Millamor's Mark of Dixieland
Ch Coy's Top of the Mark
Cedarwood's Linda Leigh

McGuire's Fancy Mandy

McGuire's Fantasy Super Star
McGuire's Little Missy
Rasnak Cinnamon Belle

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We invite our Readers to express their views on all pertinent subjects.

h Southpaw Majik Moments

Orange Female

Breeder: Jimmy D. Williams

Owner: Pamela T. Walker

Ch Moonshadow's Mica

Ch Queenaire Pale Rider

Ch Queenaire Signature ROM

tough Rider Dude

Ch Queenaire Coup D'Etat ROM

Queenaire Sweet Charlotte

Queenaire Luvy Duk ROM

Ch Pedron's Mark of the Dragon

Ch Pedron's Dragonmark

Ch Pedron's Dragon Charmer

rosewood's Song of the Dragon

Ch Jolly Wee's Desert Breeze

Rosewood's Desert Storm

Rosewood's Desert Dawn

h Southpaw Pistol Packin' Mama

Orange Female

Breeder: Pamela T. Walker

Owner: Mary Palmer/Pamela Walker

Ch Mee-Gee's Masterpiece, CD

Ch Glen Iris Ivanhoe

Cherokee's Autumn Orange

Ch Glen Iris Castle Rock

Ch Chriscendo City Lights ROMX

Ch Tim Sue's Evening Lights

Tim Sue's Brass Toy

Ch Chriscendo City Lights ROMX

Ch Tim Sue's Distant Lights

Tim Sue's Duchess Sabrina

Glen Iris Distant Caller

Ch Twin Pines Diamond Chips

Wee Heart's Carolina Calling

Wee Heart's Miss Poppin Fresh

Ch Pixie's Tiptoe to Neujahr

Orange Female

Breeder: Evelyn Newyear

Owner: Newyear/Galavich/Conley

Ch Peterson's Scamp of Lennis

Ch Annon's Sir Kennor

Kennor's Lady Tina

Pixie's Constant Sir Prize

Ch Post Script Sparkle-N-Rock

Ch Pixie's Constant Comment

Pixie's Little Margie

Ch Annon's Sir Kennor

Ch Blake's Sir Robert John

Jan-Shar's Sherry at Blake's

Pixie's Eve of Neujahr

Ch Postscript Sparkle-N-Rock

Pixie's Glamour Girl

Pixie's Geisha Girl

Ch Xtasi's Callie Calaber

Orange Sable Male

Breeder: Gary Hull/Elsie Hull

Owner: Carol A. Galavich

Ch Sun Ray's Ambassador

Ch Sun Ray's Bat Man

Sun Ray's Lil Dovie

Ch Sun Ray's Rider's Tornado

Ch Sungold's Casino of Kazar

Rider's Lady Bug of Sungold

Rider's Golden Peach

Ch Scotia Quizmaster Billy Joe

Watts' Little Komander Jojo

Ch Apolloette's Little Trixsee

Xtasi's Lady Shardei

Scotia Ednas Birthday Special

Watts Little Bijou Shamrock

Ch Scotia Shamrock's Sue Ellen

Ch Linchris on Second Thought

Orange Sable Female

Breeder: Linda S. Brogoitti

Owner: M. Mitchell/L. Brogoitti

Ch Bev-Nor's Toasted Fudge

Ch Southland's Toasted Fudge ROMX

Ch Southland's Happy Birthday Bil

Ch Southland 'N Bev-Nor Nut E Fudge

Ch Theldun's Almond Fudge ROMX

Bev-Nor N Southland's Hope ROM

Bev-Nor's Missy Miss

Randy's Jolly Wee Lil Duke

Ch Jolly Wee Tuff Stuff

Randy's Dandy Wee Sally

Blanco-Gryder Heaven's Gift

Ch Moreno's Hot off the Press

Queenaire Julianne

Queenaire Charade

NOTICE:

Color pages are available for the next issues. Call today and reserve.



Northern Reflections, Eh!

By Elizabeth Dupuis

Bring on the Black and Tans! Effective January 1, 1994, this gorgeous color will have its recognized position in the Canadian standard--no more fear of withheld ribbons! Again, our thanks to everyone responsible for the change.

As I'm quickly preparing this issue's column, I'm also packing for Credit Valley, Canada's final show of the year and the biggest. So here are a few exciting wins to share with you...Michelle McDonald's homebred boy has made some impressive moves including a Group 1st and a Puppy in Show. His name is Hobbit's Fast Forward. Two Poms participated at the Purina Invitational, for BIS winners, in Ottawa. Capturing a prestigious Group 2nd was A/C Ch. Suber's Blaze of Glory who was bred and is owned by Sue Berney and handled by yours truly. Trust me, the honor was all mine--what a dog! Congratulations to Rosie Varjassy and Ch. Pomsprings Emotion in Motion on their recent CD title! Good luck to Rosie as takes over as the new editor for **Poms in Canada**--the official newsletter of the PCOC. In my last column, I reported a win inaccurately, my apologies to everyone. My source was mistaken. An American BIS was not awarded to A/C Ch. Chriscendo Classica, however, she did win several groups stateside. "Cassie" will also be one of the top ten Canadian toys based on her incredible performance thus far for this fiscal year!

Well, it's that New York time of year again! I can safely assume that once again Canadians will be represented. As we select which little treasure will accompany us on the jaunt southwards, our excitement and anticipation escalates. Maybe, just maybe, we'll see a couple of new "Northern" faces at the festivities! Travel safe everyone.

Bouquets and Brickbats (my little fun center)

Bouquets to the Santa at my local mall

who didn't promise my six year old son a real live T-Rex for Christmas (Heck, he doesn't need a Dinosaur, he's got me first thing in the morning!)

Brickbats to people who point their dogs off of one another. Those who double and even triple enter dogs of the same sex in non-specialty events. Hope that championship is worth it!

Sorry for a short report this time, gang, but, hey, good things come to those who wait! (When all else fails, throw in an old cliché.) Red, white, and blue's to you all in '94! ☺

Kimo

by Elizabeth Dupuis

Our family was always animal lovers with a tendency to lean towards dogs as our favorite mammal. Sure, we had had the occasional gold fish, stray cat, gerbil (who enjoyed attacking innocent ankles) and even a mutt or two. Heck, later on in life Dad even tried his boardroom hand at being a hobby farmer. You know, one day you have four horses and the next morning there are five--but, hey, Dad figured we kids were pulling his leg. He could never figure out how that "gelded" pony ever bred those tall girls! We ended up with eight horses before the little stud's party was over. We were genuine city slickers--with a herd!

Let's go back to the end of the sixties and the birth of the seventies...we were living in Montreal in a very respectable neighborhood where every second home had a gorgeous dog. Poodles, Danes, and Boxers--get the picture? Status dogs for very hip folks. So, of course, the six of us kids wanted a dog too--a Malamute no less. I guess the part wolf theory was rather appealing to us. That's what happens when literature class focusses in on Jack London novels! Gosh, remember literature class....

So we all approach "DA-A-A-DY," that was how we referred to him when we desperately wanted a YES, and popped the canine question. Much to our surprise,

he was calm and rather emotionless until we told him how much the dog would cost. You've never heard, "two hundred smackers" vocalized quite like the way DA-A-A-DY did it. Somehow the thought of spending that much money on a dog that was in Toronto (350 miles away) made his blood boil!

Two weeks later we all piled into, of course, "the royal blue station wagon"--the spittin' image of the one we had had before and the one which would inevitably follow. Dad's mean machine! Toronto was six hours away. This could be fun...with a brother who thought he was Bob Dylan, absolutely no elbow space, and a car with no air conditioning! Our pouting faces, because Dad had made us all chip in for the dog, must have been the highlight of Dad's rear view! Gosh, we had offered to buy the leash and bowl but Dad, the financial wizard of our time, embezzled our savings!

Finally we arrived and there he was...KIMO! A black masked face and all puppy ears. We were in Malamute heaven. Our determination had paid off, and we didn't give a darn about our empty piggy banks.

We all sardined back into the wagon and headed east for home. I was the chosen one...I got to sit in the far back with the "wolf." At one of our numerous pit stops, Dad opened a bag of apples and started passing them out. We asked if Kimo could have an apple core. Dad bellowed, "Give him the ruddy apple and you eat the core. He cost me more than having you guys did!" (Remember when it was only fifty bucks to have your baby delivered!)

As Kimo matured, he developed an incredible closeness to our mom. He was her shadow. Golly, Mom couldn't even close the bathroom door because he'd stick halfway out into the hall. (Poor Mom, it wasn't enough that each of us just had to talk to her when she was on the throne...but she had to listen to the dog, too.) He went shopping with her and she used to joke about how she could leave her purse on the front seat because no one would dare to put their arms inside

the car. It was true, no one could go near Kimo except family. This was when we first began to doubt our giant sibling.

Quickly approaching his second birthday, his temperament became a serious concern. He had snapped at neighbors (at least it was those creepy ---son's!) and almost connected on one occasion. Mom, because by now she was the only one who could literally handle him, took him to the vet for a consultation. When the vet began his examination, Kimo nailed him! After x-rays were taken, the vet disclosed that the dog had a severe case of hip dysplasia--which was a foreign tongue to us. Surgery was an expensive option and complete temperament reversal was questionable. After a lengthy family meeting, we decided to have him put to sleep. The next six months were painfully lonely, especially for Mom.

Being the kind of family we are, we naturally ended up adopting an unwanted kitten from a neighbor. Mom put the teenie kitty in a box and took it to the vet for a check-up. While she waited in the lounge, she glanced up at a bulletin board, that was adorned with photos of families' pets. Centered was a snapshot of a malamute with two little girls draped over him. It was Kimo. Mom asked the attending vet, who was new at the clinic, who's dog was in that particular picture. The young vet briskly told her that it was the clinic owner's dog. He proceeded to tell Mom how the dog had been brought in for euthanization, but how his boss had decided to give surgery a shot.

Mom came home that day with a smile as big as her shoulders were wide and shared the remarkable news. We weren't mad or annoyed with the vet--how could we be. He had had the environment to give the dog a second chance. Kimo was alive and loved by a family probably a lot like us!

Years have gone by since we all lived together, and I often reflect back on our Montreal days. The arguments over who walked the dog and who got a window seat in that crazy royal blue wagon, are now wonderful memories to cherish. ☺

'TUFFY HAS THE CDX!



UCD MarVic's Stuff'd Black Bear, CDX, CGC, Therapy Dog, finished his Companion Dog title on August 8, and his Companion Dog Excellent title on November 7. Thank you, Mary Vickers, for letting me have this bright, eager dog.

'Tuffy is shown above taking 1st place in Open A at the APC summer specialty in Dallas, along with my orange Pom, Anjing, who took 1st place in Open B at this, her last show. I'm even more proud of the work these dogs have done in pet therapy at a local nursing home, where kisses from Anjing made one bedfast young man consider her his "best friend."



In Loving Memory
 UCX Dan Dee's Ibu Anjing, MA, CGC, Therapy Dog
 September 25, 1988--November 12, 1993

There is sorrow enough in the natural way,
 From men and women to fill our day,
 And when we know there is sorrow in store,
 Why do we always arrange for more?
 Brothers and Sisters, I bid you beware,
 Of giving your heart to a dog to tear.

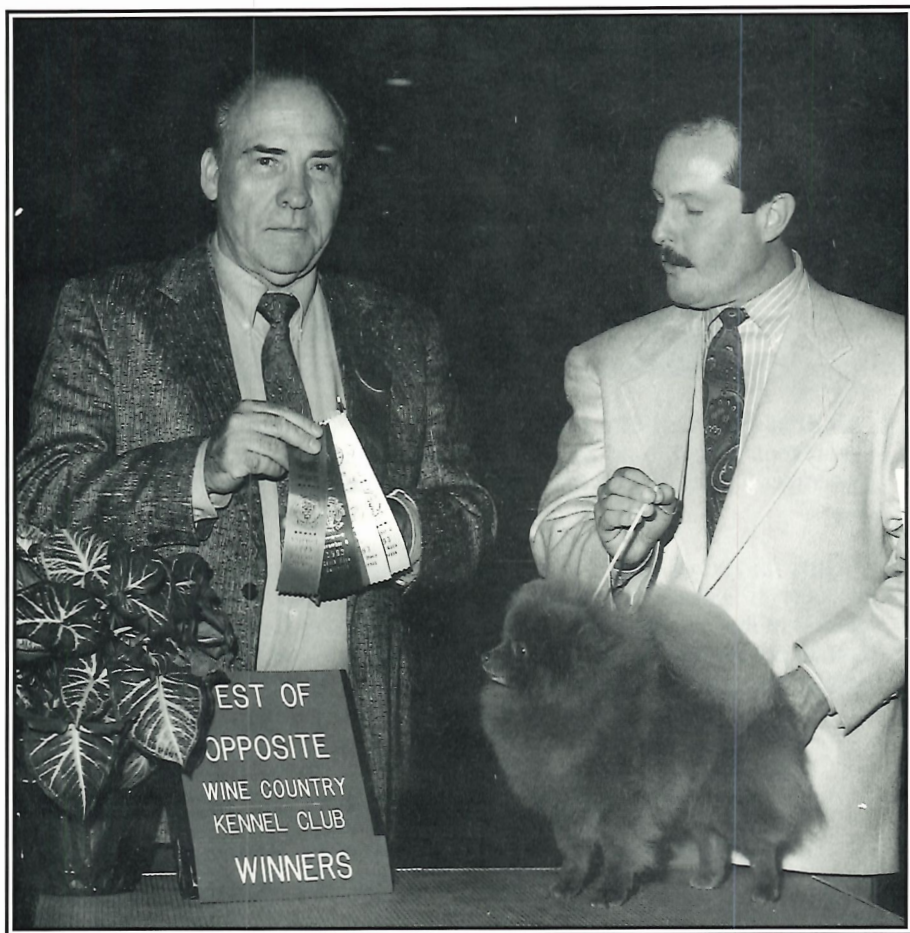
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YIPS & YAPS**Dear Melissa:**

You certainly have my attention. Now you need to gain the attention of the ones responsible for placing these dogs in his care (and I use the term very loosely).

I find it most disturbing that people will call long distance to see if there's a shot at building a major, but when it comes to placing a dog, they can't or won't be bothered.

Had any of the breeders of these dogs placed a call to his home area they could have found out that this is not an isolated incident. It has happened numerous times over the years and always the same pattern; the dogs are left for a few months with no word or help from the owner, and then he shows up to reclaim them.

The time to check references is before you sell, not after the dog is shipped and you start hearing stories. Don't check references from someone who as a monetary interest in the outcome. Call fellow breeders in the area and ask if this is a good home. Good show homes are hard to find, but the alternative should be a wonderful pet home, not a questionable show home.

Of course, this will only apply if your main interest is the welfare of your dog and not money. Another dog finished for your kennel name. Somewhere along the line we seem to have forgotten that we are responsible for every dog we bring into this world, pet or show, and the responsibility does not end because the dog was sold. The way it was explained to me is that **we are responsible for the life of that dog, for the life of that dog!** End of soapbox.

Good luck with your bunch. Hang in there; it really does get better, Melissa. We received 12 dogs in one day from a fellow "breeder" loaded with fleas, ticks, tapes, tick fever, etc. We had to put two down, but all the others found good loving homes after a long R & R. Good luck.

Linda Brogoitti
Linchris Pomeranians

Dear Board Member:

I have just completed a short note and check to Louise Crowe to aid in her rescue efforts, and my heart is heavy. There can be no excuse good enough to justify what that horrible person (s) did to our precious Poms! I am grateful to the publishers of the **Pom Reader** and **Pom Review** for informing its readers of this tragedy. I hope that we will be kept informed as to the punishment the guilty party receives.

I, too, hope that breeders of the Poms that ended up as players in this terrible story have some egg on their faces. I, for one, would be interested in knowing who they are. I hope that this will not be a case of "protecting the guilty and punishing the innocent."

I cannot believe that if the owner of these Poms was in attendance of a Pomeranian Specialty with all these dogs that no one saw or suspected the conditions of these dogs! That is a scary thought. Where are our breed's protectors? Are the eyes of the agonized being overlooked by the eyes that should be guarding our innocent Poms?

This incident certainly should motivate all responsible breeders to put their heads together to develop preventative measures. Sooner or later, I would like to see mandatory tattooing of all breedable stock. If a breeder were assigned a number to tattoo on their dogs, all dogs ending up in puppy mills, etc. could be easily traced. I am hoping the AKC will adopt this plan. We should push for it--it's a start. Whatever happens as a result of this Pom horror story, let's never stop trying to prevent a recurrence, and let's continue to assist Louise Crowe in her heroic effort.

Vicky Leitner
Courbette Pomeranians

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Ch. Southland Toast to Bev-Nor

My beloved "Poasty" who turned 10 in December thoroughly enjoyed herself in the ring one more time going BOS from the Veterans Class at the Houston and Dallas Pom Specialties under judges Betty Moore (pictured) and Charlotte Patterson. So many of you showed your support and appreciation of her--words cannot express what it meant to us. The many positive comments from the judges and participants on her condition and love of showing. Many came to me afterwards with tears in their eyes and sweet thoughts--all of which made this an experience we shall never forget.

As I've said many times, "Poasty" is what a show dog should be--type, movement, soundness, and attitude. And, yes, even at her age, she can still move, and her showmanship compares to none other. Thank you all again for your sincere appreciation of her.

**Congratulations to Joel Taylor and Cheryl Jackson on
your Kennel Visit!**

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Southland--Rays of Sunshine

TIM SUE welcomes....



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Tim Sue sends very special congratulations to another favorite couple, Joel and Cheryl, on their kennel visit, and thank you for our special guy Ch. Glen Iris Luckdragon!

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