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**MULTI-BISS WINNER AND GROUP PLACER
CH. MAJESTICS WILLIE B STEPPN UP**



Janesa's N Jan-Shar's By George
(Ch. Wee Heart's Glen Iris Talisman x Hi-Line Janesa's Trend)

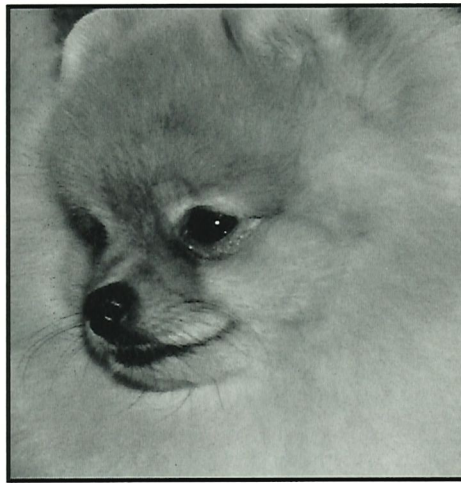
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Ch. Majestics Willie B Steppn Up

Stepper is sired by Ch. Majestic's I E Willie Bad and out of Ch. Southland's M Ruth of G.E. He was bred by Annet Rogers-Rister and Charlotte Creed and owned by Annette Rogers-Rister.

Many, many thanks to Breeder/Judge M Darrell Baker for Stepper's 3rd Special win! We feel very honored to have won Central Arkansas Pom Club's first specialty. Stepper finished 8th in breed points for 1995!! This fun little dog's first puppies are on the ground, including beautiful black and tan Miracle girl whelped three days after a c-section! (Mother and 3 girls are fine!)

Majestic Poms

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NOTICE

The Board of the American Pomeranian Club requested that we hold up the publication of this issue until all the reports from the National Specialty were in.

Because of that delay we are very late with this issue. **We are extending the deadline for the April issue to April 5.**

Send your ads as soon as possible, so the next one can be on time. Thanks.

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**April.....Nina Epps
Oakridge Poms**

**June.....Linda Brogoitti
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Around the Waterbowl

by **Linda Brogoitti**
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Before we get to the real DIRT in this story, here are some ads from our Phoenix classified newspaper. They're all dogs listed for sale.

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The want ads make for good laughs--check 'em out sometime.

The Pom, The Goat, and the Gopher

While sitting in my office, watching the dogs play outside, I noticed the earth moving! Being a long way from California,

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Some flexibility possible in deadline. Prior notice required.

Reservations and Deposit required on all Covers

Noble Pomeranians

Southland's Toasty Miz Katie

(Ch. Southland's Showstopper x Southland's Dipped In Fudge)



Thanks to Maria Kneisler for letting me have Katie and to Charlotte Creed for breeding such a wonderful bitch.

Charlotte, It was nice to finally meet you in Oklahoma.

Look for "Hank's" (BISS Am/Int Ch. Jerbo's Born to Boogie) first litter in the ring starting in January. Hank and Sun-Dot's Pominique Rose produced "Addie" (Noble's Party Lil Cajon Queen).

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Noble Pomeranians

Sungold's Suzette

(Ch. Sungold's Touch Of Speed x Ch. Sungold's Lil Suzie)



Suzette, shown here at 11 months going Winners Bitch and BOS for a 3-point major. Thanks to judge Mrs. Margaret Young Renihan.

Special thanks to you, Anna, for Suzette and for your friendship and the knowledge you have shared with me. Someone sure broke the mold when they made you and Ray.

Thanks again.

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ound this a bit unusual and went out to investigate. Just as I approached the area, it opened again, only this time a small brown head also emerged and looked around. Gophers!! Good grief, aren't gopher toads enough?

My Poms thought this was just great as they danced and barked around the hole, of course never getting close enough to grab the little bugger. This called for a massive undertaking with the hope it would be the gopher needing the undertaker, and soon.

First it was off to the library as I feel the better you know about your enemy, the easier he is to defeat. Learning as much as I could about his habits was the first step leading to his demise. This part always amazes my husband--he's afraid he'll come home one day and the yard will look like a battlefield with huge craters where the grass used to be and his wife in full battle dress, overlooking the carnage and holding the offender over her head in victory. Sounds real good to me; wonder what his problem is?

From my studies, I have concluded that I can't win against a cunning, crafty little rodent who has made a grave error in his decision to relocate in MY yard!

The first attempt to extricate him from the tunnel was met with total defeat. A neighbor said he'd also had a problem and turned the water hose on and shoved it down the hole. The water ran for an hour or so and he never saw the gopher again. OK, sounds simple enough so I get the hose and shove it down the hole and go over to the faucet and turn it on full-blast. KAPOOM! Now what happens when you put a hose down a hole and shove it till it won't move, then turn it on ALL THE WAY? The hose comes flying out of there spewing water all over and once it was free of the hole, it landed and flew all over the yard to the great delight of the Poms as they tried to capture it. After grabbing the hose and cutting it off (too bad I didn't think to turn it off FIRST), I went to change my dripping clothes and dry off the Poms.

Time for Plan B. Off to the hardware store to get gopher traps and place down the holes. The man tries to talk me into a license for the holes, but that was a definite

NO. Too risky should any other animal get into it and not very sporting either!

As I started digging the holes out so I could place the traps, I have all the Poms and Bus Stop (my rescue Terrier-mix) watching. It doesn't take long for everyone to get in the spirit and soon the Poms are happily digging away. Unfortunately, they're not digging any place close to the gopher holes, but we'll fill these holes later.

Satisfied with a job well done, the holes are covered with heavy metal milk crates so the Poms can't get to them. The next morning we go and check the traps. Two have been tripped and the third one has rock jammed in the center so it won't close. My disdain for this little bugger turns to admiration. THE BATTLE IS ON!!!

One of the articles I researched stated that much success had been obtained by placing various articles of food down the holes to drive them out. I believe this article was written by a gopher trying to get some free food! I pushed a cabbage down one hole and some old leftovers down the other and left it to sit overnight. Many years ago when we lived in the desert near Scottsdale, my Aunt Jenny made a dinner of sauerkraut, pork chops, and heaven knows what else. Needless to say, there was a lot left over and since the prospect of another meal didn't appeal to me, I dumped the entire mess down a hole by the mesquite bush. The next evening, as we rode out on our horses, a 5' by 7" rattlesnake struck at us from under that bush so the idea definitely had merit!

By the next afternoon, the left-overs were quite ripe and there was no sign of the gopher. Well, no sign of him by the old holes, but oh, my, what a mound of freshly turned dirt about 10 feet away.

My mutterings must have been louder than I thought 'cause here comes my neighbor again. I explained all that had been done and all that had failed. I knew my options were running out and my great idea of a stick of dynamite stuffed down his burrow led me nowhere since you have to have a license to have it. Somehow I knew that displacing one small gopher was not going to get me a license and if it did, I'm quite sure I'd never see my husband again

as his greatest fear would come to pass--me with a lethal weapon!!

The neighbor tells me about his friend who has a gopher killing goat (honest, I wouldn't kid ya) that he sometimes lets his friends use. This wonder goat sees all rodents as his enemy and will dig with his feet or his horns to get to them. Sounds like my kinda goat and over to his friend's house we go.

Jake, the goat man, shows us to the barn to meet his little assassin who stands and looks us over very carefully. He seems to be a pleasant little fella, brown and white with a long beard and BIG, BIG horns that are at least 10 inches long. Jake says to take him home and try him out. Yeah, right!! I had brought a 300 crate with me, thinking it would be large enough to transport him home, but I never thought he'd be so big.

Well, we pushed, we pulled, we tried everything, even tried taking off the top, popping the goat inside and putting the top back on. Nothing worked, so it was decided to let him ride loose in my van (this was decided by my neighbor--it wasn't his van). Seeing no other logical solution, I agreed, but only if he held a bucket under him while I drove. Ever try to hold a bucket under a goat while zipping down country roads? Dexterity is a MUST!

We get Gene (the goat) settled in and try to shut up the Poms who have never seen such a creature and begin to fence off the dog yard where Gene and Gopher will meet at high noon tomorrow. Where's Gary Cooper when you need him?

Sturdy fencing all installed, it's time to bring out the goat and let him wander around the hole-infested yard. He seems to take it all in stride and even goes over to meet the Poms at the fence. After a while, he begins pawing at one of the holes and after a few minutes he moves to another hole and then another. Next thing I know I see the gopher make a beeline for the pasture next door. Unfortunately, he has to pass through the Pom's yard to get there and Gene is not about to let him escape, soooooo.

Gene flies over a 38" exercise pen and is now in hot pursuit of one very small, very scared and very swift gopher who is making

tracks for the next country. Now you must understand that the Pom's yard is their territory (not that they were concerned when the gopher moved in) and this goat was clearly overstepping his bounds. Now we have the gopher in the lead, followed by the goat and an entire herd of Pomeranians thundering across the grass!

Lewis, who raises horses and cows near to us, was on his tractor and, seeing all this turmoil, came over to see what was happening. As he got off the tractor, the gopher scrambled through the fence, ran over his foot, and was FREE! So fast and enough, Gene didn't stop quite so fast as slammed into the chain link fence, catching a horn in the fencing.

This is when the Pomeranian Posse arrives and four of the fools throw themselves on Gene, clutching him like long lost rich Uncle. Oh, great! Lewis is laughing so hard his glasses fall off and Connie grabs them and takes off. Crystal is trying to grab the goat's beard, and I'm just trying to hold the goat to free his horn and make sure no one gets hurt!

Needless to say, the gopher has not returned and probably never will. Just in case he should contemplate such a move we are installing grass high signs stating POM COUNTRY--NO GOPHER ALLOWED.

Gene has been returned to his owner none the worse for his adventure, but I bet gophers are not the only critters he'll g after. Poms beware!

Poms away...
Linda

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**Kennel Visit to Nina Epp's
Oakridge Pomeranians next issue.**

Kennel Visit to Patrick's Mr and Miss Pomeranians

by Mildred Patrick

When Dudley called me and asked me if I would do a Kennel Visit--I was pleased and flattered by it--but I had to tell him that we have never had a kennel. We keep our dogs in the den and they let us stay with them. The pregnant bitches stay in a baby bed in our bedroom. We need to be close to our babies. But Dudley convinced me that you may be interested in some of our dogs and to let you know of other things that I have been doing.

Now to give you a little of the background.... Jimmy and I were married

October 19, 1943, and in January of 1944, Jimmy hurt his back and had two surgeries in the matter of seven days. The Doctors told Jimmy that he needed to swim to help his back, and, since he was on disability leave, we decided to go to California as he loved to swim in the ocean, and my folks were living there at that time. While there we went shopping one day and we saw our first Pom in a department store. He was the sweetest little ball of fur. We asked the woman with him what breed of dog, and we fell in love with him and promised each



Ch. Patrick's Miss Amaretta's daughter, Ch. Patrick's Miss Munchkin, Patrick's Mr. Troy (son),
Ch. Patrick's Mr. Candy Man



Ch. Patrick's Mr. Macho Man

other we would have one some day. May, 1963, my mother sent me a belated birthday/Christmas gift. It was my first Pom and we named him Patrick's Tiny Tim. Then a few months later, my mother sent me a little female to be a companion to Timmy. We named her Tammy, and she was only 3.5 pounds when grown, but she and Timmy never really got to be too friendly.

We took Timmy to a conformation school so he would walk with us. While at the class, we met a very nice couple, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Patton, who belonged to the newly formed Fort Worth Pomeranian Club. They wanted us to join the club and meet the Pom people. We joined the club September 8, 1962 as Associate Members. Later on, the club changed its name to Dallas/Fort Worth Pomeranian Club. I have been President of this club for five terms and during my term in 1993, we hosted the summer APC Specialty, and it was a lot of fun. We had a very large entry and met so many Pom people.

I do very little breeding at this time. We

only have 6 producing girls because r kids are getting up in years. We now are senior crowd, getting older together. Jimr has always been a great help to me. He h trained the puppies for showing and help me evaluate them.

Now let me tell you about some of t Patrick dogs:

My very first champion was my dog- you are lucky, you have a dog that belong to you and only you. For me that dog w Ch. Patrick's Miss Terribonne. She w whelped 8/4/68 and sired by Ch. Jan's Litt Redpod and out of Bit O' Gold Chi Tinker Bell. When I first started showin "Sugar Babe" as she was known to all h friends, I did not know about shows or a thing, but I bit the bullet and found out in hurry what it was all about. We learn about shows together. When she start winning, she finished in 6 shows alwa going BOB or BOS and always placed the group. She was a terrific show girl a was on TV and had a write up in t newspaper. She was a beautiful little g



West's Miss Charm Patrick

Pomeranian Wins Specialty

by March Wilson

When Jim and Mildred G. Patrick's Miss ribbon, called Sugar Babe by her mate friends, finished at the Fort Worth specialty, it was the culmination of five years of devotion on the part of her owners. She is the Patrick's first champion and was sired/breeder/handled to her championship. She will be show at the next show today and speciated in the fall. Mildred has a great love for animals has always had pets, including horses, dogs, and cats over the years. She once owned and operated a Poodle grooming shop where she specialized in grooming. The Patricks selected their first Pomeranian five years ago and have been showing since that time. They like the breed for its beauty and find the toy size perfect for the city living. Pomeranian personality is aggressive and good vitality and good health are great assets.

Team work is the essence of the Patricks' hobby of dogs. They keep several adults and have an occasional litter of puppies. Jim concentrates on training and has each puppy trained to the lead before selling. Mildred is most interested in showing and grooming and handles the dogs in the ring.

For so many years, Jimmie and Mildred Patrick have done more for the Pomeranian than just about anyone we know.

- Total Dedication
- Total Hard Work
- Total Integrity
- Total Friendliness and Willingness to Help
- Wonderful Dogs

Congratulations on your Kennel Visit!

Olga and Darrell Baker and the Jeribeth Pomeranians

Del Sol's Cherokee
Harbor Hardy



Sends Congratulations to Jimmy and Mildred Patrick on their Mr. and Miss Poms Kennel Visit.

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Mildred Patrick

In Memory Ch. Idle Acres Pinball Wizard

12/2/83 - 1/4/96



"BUB"

Sleep Well My Friend....

Until We Meet Again....

Love Always....

Mom, Shari

Coral's Little Miracle

by Dr. James J. Honigford, DVM

During morning farm call rounds on a snowy, blustery December day in 1995, I received a call over my two-way radio. Emma, one of my Veterinary Assistants, informed me that Judy Shearer, one of our prominent Pomeranian breeders, had quite a dilemma. Seems that Coral was free helping and had delivered a puppy that had prolapsed her intestines out of her umbilical stalk. I have seen this several times before and feared a grave prognosis immediately. I was hoping that the G.I. tract was still in the stalk and told Shanna over the radio that Judy should try and keep the viscera from leaving the stalk via a thread. The next problem was that Judy had no transportation to bring the puppy to the clinic and a ride would take some time to arrange, but this puppy had little time to waste. Being that I was in the neighborhood, I informed her that I would stop by and pick up the puppy. I arrived at Judy's approximately 15 minutes after the puppy was born on December 21st. My worst fears came true when I looked at Coral's new puppy and found that the small intestines had ruptured out the side of the umbilical stalk becoming exposed and contaminated with the environment. Judy informs me that Coral had neatly snipped away a portion of the umbilical stalk before she realized the condition of the puppy.

My immediate concern was of hypothermia and of course contamination. Judy had taken good care of the puppy and had a box with clean linens in it, which was saving grace on that cold day. I instructed her to fill a hot water bottle and to give me plenty of towels. I would have to take the puppy back to the clinic where I would have proper instruments and help. On the 8 mile jaunt back to town, I instructed the vets to get out the heating pad and some anal anesthetic along with other essentials. Before I left, I had painted a very grim picture to Judy as to not get her hopes up. When I drove back to the clinic, I could hear the little girl moving and squeaking around, thinking to myself, "You poor, poor girl." Her activity level was to be considered

good and bad at this point. I really did not have much hope due to my concerns of peritonitis and hypothermia.

When I got back to the clinic, I rushed in and started things in action. The girls had warmed some saline in the microwave and we thoroughly flushed the intestines. Time was of the essence as the puppy was losing precious body heat through her open abdomen. I elected to not use any anesthetic due to her age and the time factor. I then began the painstaking task of replacing the bowel. This is where every activity became quite a hinderance, for where one push I gave, she gave two back. It was not very long before I was deep into her abdomen. I needed more space so I extended the rupture hole as to better facilitate replacing the bowel. Via the help of Stacy, our Veterinary Technician who gloved in, meticulous use of some sterile cotton swabs in a drop sticks fashion, we were able to replace the bowel and suture the abdomen in a one layer closure. During the procedure, I had to frequently remind myself that as a veterinarian, I can only do so much and God will have to do the rest. I placed the puppy on some antibiotics and gave Judy a grave prognosis. I also had to warn her of the future problems of herniating, if in the slim chance we had, that she did survive. The puppy was back home within 2 hours of being born, nursing well and still had a good activity level.

As a vet, I often like to check up on certain patients I see throughout the week. I wanted to know about Coral's puppy, but feared the worst. I came in for small animal appointments and Judy was on the phone. I picked up the receiver preparing myself for the bad news, when Judy asked, "Hey, when do we take the stitches out in this little girl?" I was elated! I instructed her to bring her in right away as puppies heal rather quickly. To my amazement, Judy brought in this tiny furball that they had named Meera, short for Miracle. Her belly was definitely not beautiful. Her skin had separated from the original incision, but she was happy and healthy with no hernias—certainly a miracle. I did have to warn Judy of the potential problems with adhesions and my concerns

about spaying and whelping in Meera's future.

Two weeks later, Meera came in during appointments since she developed a hernia at the umbilicus. Due to age and size, I told Judy we should wait until Meera was six weeks old before we attempted to surgically repair the hernia. I was confident this would be Meera's last visit until then.

That's when the amazing took a leap. Three days later, Judy called and said Meera was very painful from her hernia and was draining fluid out of the original scar. I had instructed her to call if Meera ever became painful so that I could see her immediately. I felt that Meera had probably strangulated a bowel and the fluid was possible a small abscess from her original incision. Once again, my worst fears were realized. Meera had strangulated a bowel, but the fluid draining from her incision was curdled milk from her G.I. tract. I once again had to paint a grave picture. Judy agreed to doing the surgery, so away we went.

After two hours of surgery, I had removed 2 cm of bowel, which is a lot from a 3 ounce Pomeranian puppy, and did a cystotomy, which is the repair of an adhered bladder. Meera was once again going home with a repaired belly and another grim prognosis. Meera paid no attention to the outlook as she went back to nursing and acting normally the very next day.

Meera certainly will be a special dog in my heart as I remember the squirming little puppy that cold day in December. I know that cats are said to have 9 lives, but I have never heard how many lives dogs can have. I must have missed that day in school.

Note: Meera came in for her 8-week check on February 15, 1996. She still has a small hernia, wears a little belly band for support, but outweighs her litter mate brother by .3 lbs. I am sure that her miraculous stay here is not over.



Postcards From The Vet

by Renee Kelly McGrath DVM, MS

To: Jim Shearer

Dear Jim,

Just a brief briefing from my attendance at the AKC Parent Club Genetic Conference. I will write more in depth later on what I learned and where I think we may consider directing ourselves to attempt to define and eliminate the condition commonly referred to as "Black Skin Disease." I continue to hear of more and more of what would be considered to quality show dogs coming down with what seems to be this condition. I also hear of dogs that lose their hair, have black skin but some other treatable disease is eventually diagnosed. So first we must define it BUT as there are no guidelines yet all that can be done is to RULE OUT other conditions and reach what is called "an eliminatory diagnosis." This should be done by a Board Certified Veterinary Dermatologist. As you are there in New York surrounded by the best and the brightest and the most knowledgeable pomeranian breeders, I ask you to please send out a call to them for HELP. What we need at this stage are pedigrees of CONFIRMED cases of the "Adult Onset Alopecia." This condition has been sometimes referred to in our pom magazines in recent years as Severe Hair Loss or SHL.

The AKC really put on an excellently run informative if somewhat exhausting weekend of national and international speakers. We were basically in a lecture room setting except for meals. These were also another opportunity to learn and share as there was random seating and each person wore their breed designation. I met some really inspiring concerned dog lovers and was encouraged that so many good people are part of the dog fancy. I really felt part of AKC for the first time and had a worthwhile discussion with Dr. Jim Edwards, AKC Director, Judging Research and Development, who was the Chair for the Conference and no doubt the moving force behind it. He is one of us, he is one

Paraders Pomeranians

sends congratulations to Mildred Patrick
of Mr. and Miss Poms on her well-deserved
Kennel Visit!



Cahanu Drifting Moonbeam (Moonie)

Ch Chriscendo Castle Rock
/Ch. Bavaneu's Aurora Borealis
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Watch for me Parading with Nadine Hersil!

SOUTHLAND

Belated congratulations to Dot and Ed Martin on their Kennel Visit.

Congrats to Ms Mildred on her Kennel Visit.



Ch. Southland's Simply Elegant

Pictured taking her 4th major under judge Jane Forsyth. "Ms Eli" at 6 1/2 years of age became Ch. Southland's Toasted Fudge's (Lil Toasty) 30th champion.

We decided to do some breedings and puppies are due in February.

SOUTHLAND—*Rays of Sunshine*

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an, I think." and he is a scientist. A good

This was an historic occasion as it was the first time AKC and the dog fancy have come together to discuss health issues. There were over two hundred participants, but we were excellently cared for and everything ran like clockwork.

Even though the topics were general in nature, everyone seemed to be able to relate to them. The purpose was to give general guidelines as to what to do when a problem has been identified in a certain breed. A lot was expected of breeders and parent clubs. However, we were clearly given the message that AKC cares, can be approached with specific proposals but that the package must be put together first by the breed fancy and parent club.

We are in the unique position of having as our President one of the most revered members of the Dog Fancy....ever. Mrs. Dolly Trauner was lauded at the conference by Dr. Walter Weirich of the Canine Eye Registration Foundation (CERF) at Purdue University. He called our Dolly his "seeing lady, the lady with the vision" who through concern, knowledge, dedication, and the ability to ENDURE in the years 1974 through 1988 brought CERF into being. It was first and a shining example of breeders and the veterinary profession working together to eliminate an inherited problem and protect the future of a breed. In those days Dolly's concern was in poodles but now the CERF examination and guidelines are used in many breeds that have been recognized to have inherited eye diseases. In 1994, 50,000 pure bred dogs were examined for eye health following the CERF protocol.

Dr. Weirich recommended using "the CERF model" to start tackling an apparently inherited problem. That is start a database and where possible an open registry, use experts to set up the rules and follow their rules. Closed registries are a poorer second choice as they slow things up but better than no registry.

The American College of Veterinary Ophthalmologists (ACVO) is the body that examines and certifies candidates as Board certified specialists in ophthalmology and

its very prestigious "Horus Award" is usually given for outstanding research in that specialty. In the history of the college it has only been awarded to two non-diplomates. One was to a gentleman who had been the long term secretary since the founding. The other was to Mrs. Dolly Trauner for her outstanding contribution to veterinary medicine, veterinary ophthalmology and the world of pure bred dogs for her effort in bringing the Canine Eye Registry Foundation into being. I hope the APC realizes how fortunate and honored it is to have Dolly as a member of our Fancy. What a resource of wisdom and experience she is. I trust her health will continue to improve and she will be able to keep working with me on pursuing an answer to our skin problem.

I made a useful contact in DNA testing and that I believe is where our answer will come. Now samples can be quickly taken with a swab from inside the cheek. Normal, defective, and potential carrier dogs must be tested in an attempt to identify a recognizable defective or marker gene. Thus a database would be established. As each sample costs \$100 to evaluate support funds will be needed. However, as some conditions are polygenic and only occur when specific combinations of genes are present the above marker gene research would not work. We do not know, but we have to start casting our nets somewhere and I have an idea for a small group survey of 15-20 dogs if the funds could be found. We could be lucky and a marker gene could be found or it could be venture capital lost.

The parent club's obligation according to AKC is to "advise, encourage, and establish control programs to lower the incidence of a disease." I know there is much concern on the matter, but are we ready to move forward? That means coming up with pedigrees, medical records, dogs and dollars! I understand the difficulty with this situation....the problem does not occur until after the dog has done its winning and been used for breeding, and we are asking people in retrospect to say "yes, my dog has a problem." It is a real ego buster; it is not easy. However....

We are just custodians of our breed for a

few years; it is not ours. We should hand it over to the future in better shape not riddled with defective genes.

One of the speakers, Dr. Malcolm Willis, a Senior Lecturer in Animal Breeding and Genetics from England and a dog fancier, put up a quote from the story *Alice in Wonderland* which I think is daunting in its implications as food for thought. Here it is...

"Cheshire cat, tell me which way I should go?" said Alice.

"Which way do you want to go?" said the cat.

"I don't much care," said Alice.

"Then it doesn't matter which way you go," said the cat.

I hope the APC wants to go in the direction of sorting this out and that those experienced breeders who already know a lot about this condition will come forward with their knowledge, experiences and pedigrees. We have a lot of resources I pray will be made available.

Please let me know in which direction APC wishes to go.

Performance News

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Words

While reading an article, I came upon these two words and decided to check their definitions. The thing that most caught my attention was the synonyms listed, even though one set of synonyms was for the noun usage and the other was for transitive verb usage. One word seems more neutral while the other seems more negative.

Reason: n. an explanation or justification of an act, idea, etc. A cause; a motive. The ability to think, form judgements, good sense. n. syn: ground, consideration,

motive, principle, sake, account, ob purpose, design.

Excuse: n. a plea or explanation offered in defense of one's conduct; apology. T which excuses, that which extenuates justifies a fault, or is intended to do so pretended reason for conduct; pretext. syn: pardon, justify, absolve, exonerate, vindicate, forgive, exculpate, extenuate exempt.

I try to have a reason for what I do when I train my Poms. I feel that it is more helpful to try to think and reason things through before I do them than to have to come up with excuses later. My reasoning is not flawless but it is more constructive to find a flaw in my reason and to know I can work through that to fix things than to sit with an excuse that usually is a dead end.

There are a lot of choices we as trainers must make. One area that doesn't get a lot of thought is the choice of cue or command words for our Poms.

The words heel, sit, down, stay, and come were used in my first training classes. I used them because that is what the instructor gave us to use. When we released our dogs from an exercise, we were told to use "OK." At another school, they were told to use "free."

One day, Mike, my husband, Dande, and I were out for a walk. When we got to a crosswalk we would stop and I would make Dande sit. Mike and I continued our conversation and the word "OK" was spoken. Dande lunged forward on the release word. Fortunately there was no traffic, or my Pom could have been hurt or killed on leash! I immediately changed my release word to "free" which I do not use very often in my every day speech patterns.

I have been made an example of by a well-known exhibitor/seminar giver who has a personal aversion to the term "free" (seems). When I was at the seminar, I was asked if I were freeing a slave. I'd rather have a dog survive my speech habits than avoid one person's disgust.

Choosing word cues with your every day speech patterns in mind is challenging

Dupre's Sparkling Gold Pomeranians



Ch. Dupre's Sparkling Gold Ruffle

(Ch. Dupre's Sparkling Gold Buck x Dupre's Precious Renee)

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Riverside West Kennel Club--BOS (3 points) Judge Ms. Elaine Mathis
Alexandria Kennel Club--Winners Bitch (1 point) Judge Mr. Robert Moore
Golden Triangle Kennel Club--BOS (3 points) Judge Mr. J.E. Gregory

Thank you, Judges, for these nice wins.

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Dupre's Sparkling Gold Pomeranians

Dupre's Sparkling Gold Brandy

(Ch. Silva Ladé Littlest Outlaw x Dupre's Shining Copper Penny)

Brandy is pictured after going Best of Winners for a 3-point major under Judge Mrs. Grace Moran. We are very pleased with Brandy and look forward to using him in our breeding program considering his Sire and the fact that his Dam's Grand Sire is Am/Can Ch. Great Elms Shining Star. Many thanks to his handler and co-owner Mr. Jerry Owens.

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ugh. There may be other considerations
ake into account when choosing.

friend was working with her German
rehaired Pointer on taking and holding
dumbbell. Things were going well and
Margo was progressing nicely until one
ion when she refused the dumbbell and
very upset about the situation. With
the questioning of the family members,
son owned up to using the word "hold"
le he cut Margo's toenails. He would
o her paw, and when she resisted or
gged, he would tell her "hold" and rap
to let him cut the nails. A great aversion
rapy for that word. Friend changed her
word and didn't use it around the
ily--problem solved.

his friend also had drop on recall
blems show up after Margo had been
ng well with it. Friend kept her eyes and
open and discovered that her husband
been "training" Margo. He would tell
Margo "down" and if she went down would
ect her! Friend changed her word to
op" and kept it away from the family.
re was another benefit derived from
ng this cue word. Friend no longer had to
ry about Margo during the group sits as
ch. A loud forceful "down" command
n a neighboring ring for a drop didn't
ct Margo. Neither did the "down"
mand to another ring's group of dogs
er Margo.

o you keep your cues and commands for
r own use or do you share them with
ily and friends? I don't share obedience
s. If someone else is holding my dog, I
er leave the dog on a stay. i will leave
n an informal "I'll be back." If I am
ding someone's dog, I won't let them
re the dog on a stay. If I want the dog to
or down, I use my hands to guide them
osition as you would a puppy. I don't
ect the dog to pay attention to me or to
ond to my cues. I don't want to make
blems for someone else in their training
with confidence.

hese experiences, and others which
lted in my having retrain Dande, caused
to carefully consider the choice of a cue
d for the "send away" portion of
cted jumping. Go-outs seem like a
tradiction to me. All of the other

exercises the dog must do call for close
work as in heeling or fronts. When I tell
Dande to leave me the cue is "Go fish!" My
reasons for using this cue are: voicing a bit
of rebellion, it is protected from my every
day speech patterns, and it keeps things in
perspective when the go-out doesn't happen
as planned. I don't use "go fish" much more
since I gave up the card game. I do use "get
back" to get doors opened, "go over" to get
the dogs to move away from the car door so
I can get it, "go-out" means the dogs are
going out of something like the house.
"Out" did work well in the weave poles
when I want them to go out between a
narrowly defined area. There is also value in
the silliness of the phrase "go fish." It
reminds me not to take this all too seriously.

Speaking of thinking things through...

I think a great call name would be "why."
Can't you just hear it? "Why, heel!" "Why,
sit!" "Why, down!" "Why, come!"

Perhaps one of my friends is right when
she says that when I start thinking, it's
scary.

Dande's lack of heeling has been causing
problems. I have tried to motivate her with
little success. It seems she does better after
breaks such as we are experiencing over the
holidays.

While doing some house cleaning, which I
find myself resenting because it takes time
away from training, reading, stitching,
gardening, etc., I may have found a clue to
Dande's attitude. Could it be that heeling is
to Dande as house cleaning is to me?

I want the UKC UD, and Dande
understands all the exercises, so now it is up
to me to figure how to get the heeling for
the shows. I think I am going to have to
back off the practice and take the points off,
because otherwise, I don't think we'll have
any kind of qualifying heeling. (Reason or
excuse?)

Congratulations to Painter's Passion Diamond and Peggy Falcone. "Cookie" and Peggy qualified 3 times in both the Utility and Open B ring on the same day to earn Front and Finish's recognition as a Super Utility Dog team as written up in the January, 1996, issue.

Correction: Last month I reported that Carla's Wonderwolf earned a CD. I believe the correct name of this dog is Carla's Wonder Wolff Magic Ty CD. My apologies for messing up his name.

New Performance Titles from the November and December issues of the AKC Awards Magazine:

CDX

Janesa's Rah Rah Rah CDX (dog) owned by Linda Baron and bred by Jerrie Freia. The scores were earned in Open B: 196.5, 193.5, and 191.5.

CD

Acker's Rocky Robin CD (dog) owned by John and Diana Ackner and bred by Delbert Benton. The scores were earned in Novice A: 190 (2nd), 192 (first), 181 (3rd), and 185.5 (first). These scores were earned Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday of the same week.

Black Magic's Samurai Warrior CD (dog) owned by Dr. Sandra Woods and bred by Gary Davis. The scores were earned in Novice B: 182, 182 (2nd), and 182.5 (3rd).

Handit T' Bandit CD (dog) owned by Margaret Swistack and bred by Ann Gambone. The scores were earned from Novice B: 193.5, 195 (4th), and 186.

JB's Breezy Nite Bandit CD (dog) owned and bred by Jacqueline Berg. The scores were earned from Novice B: 181, 178, 184.5, 180, 177.5, and 188.5.

JB's Summer Smokey Joe CD (dog) owned and bred by Jacqueline Berg. The

scores were earned from Novice B: 174, and 177.5.

Kearson's Lady Roxanne (bitch) owned by Kearson Maimgren and bred by Patricia Bailey. The scores were earned from Novice A: 180.5 (4th), 184.5 (4th), and 186.5 (first).

Megan's Spitfire CD (dog) owned and bred by Marti Halifko. The scores were earned from Novice B: 186 (3rd), 186.5 (first and HIT), and 186.5 (2nd).

Rasta's Encore Stetson CD (dog) owned by Ellen Raymer and bred by Audrey Graham. The scores were earned from Novice B: 180, 190.5.

Sasha Nicole Rose CD (bitch) owned by Sherri Alspaugh and bred by Linda H. and Suellen Aull. The scores were earned from Novice B: 180.5, 189 (4th), and 190.5.

NA

Karen's Little Kisey Lynne NA (bitch) owned by Karen Gottschall-Hutchinson. The scores were earned from Novice B 12" division: 88, 100 (first), and 93 (4th).

New UKC Performance Titles from November/December issue of Bloodlines

United-Companion Dog

U-CD I'm A Candy Angel Doll owned by Kenny and Kay Lowe.

U-CD, U-AG1 Black Magic Samurai Warrior owned by Sandra Woods and bred by Gary Davis.

United-Agility 1

U-AG1, U-CDX Kassel's Dandelion Down

Congratulations to all these new title holders. It's wonderful to see so many Poms being shown in obedience and agility. Their trainers have put in a lot of quality time with their Poms to be able to earn these titles. The poms enjoy the attention and the

Paugh Print Pomeranians



Ar-Bee's Cody Bear Of Lenette

(Great Elms Tiny Tim x Ar-Bee's Vivian of Lenette)

Cody is pictured taking a 5-point major at the Skokie Valley Kennel Club. Many thanks to all the judges who appreciate him as much as we do. Previously owner/handled, now with the very capable Nadine Hersil. Look for this pair.

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the training sessions and so do the owners, or they wouldn't keep on. The time spent with the Poms in training is the real reward. The title is the icing on the cake. Copy the "cake." The only problem is that the Pom doesn't understand what this is all about. They just look for the next training session that they will spend with you. What will your next goal be? The next level title? Another performance event like tracking or jumping, or agility? Or a new career in therapy visits? Or is your Pom indicating retirement is desirable? The end of this goal is the beginning of the next.

Congratulations on the completion of this goal. By now many of you have decided on your next goal. Whatever it is, "Good luck" wishes for pleasure while pursuing it.

I have enjoyed a column in **Front and Back** entitled "Dear Old Friends." With your participation, I'd like to offer a similar tribute to Performance Poms of the past and the present. All Performance Poms are special and it would be nice to let them shine again for current exhibitors to see. The titles and scores they have earned are wonderful accomplishments for the breed. The things you as trainers learned and had to work through, past and around could help inspire other trainers to continue and look for their own solutions to challenges encountered. I also like to find out what happened to Performance Poms in the past. How they handled retirement and how long they well they are and have lived.

Please send your stories and tributes to me at the above address. Include photos of the Poms and they will be returned to you, although there will be a time lag between submission and publication and return of photos. If you don't want to write but have a cassette recorder, tell me your story and I will do my best to write it up for you. I will put together a story from your notes if you don't feel comfortable writing it yourself. Just keep in mind, I need to be able to read your writing. Please include your name, address, and phone number on the envelope on your note or letter so I can follow up if I have questions. (I have

been misquoted in articles and seen things in print that were attributed to me that make me think that I was in a totally different place from the one who did the interview. I don't want that to happen in these tributes.) Please include any training tips that you found helpful or experiences that gave you some insight to training or showing.

I am excited about reading and reporting your stories and tributes, so please send them, and I will include them as they come in.

Until next time....

There's Joy in Pom-de-monium!

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and

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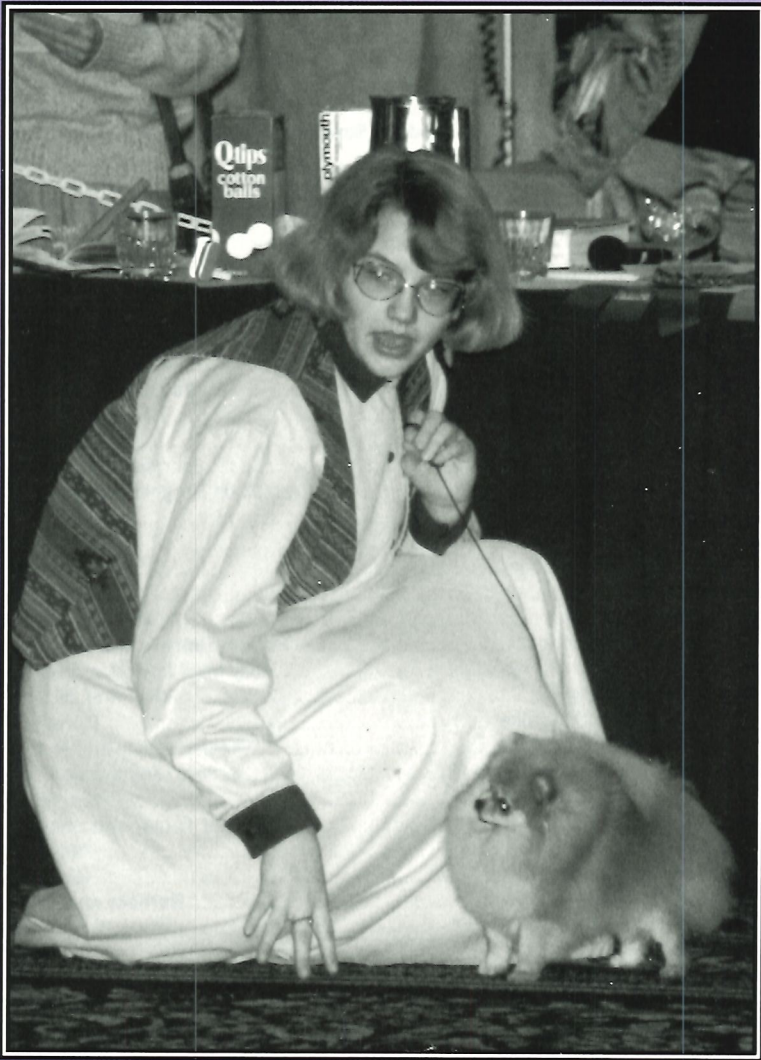
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05. Ch. Valcopy-Wakhan Valentino.....	Randy Gemmill, Dana Plonkey
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39. Golden Aires True Reward.....	Sharon Masnick
40. Fan C's Rockstar's Playboy.....	Florence Scott
41. Ch. Jan-Shar's Maybelline (B).....	Sharon Hanson
42. Jeribeth's Prince Cherokee.....	Olga Baker
43. Ch. Woodrose's Short Circuit.....	Clarice and Yvette Oganeku
44. Chula's Wee Terminator.....	Norma Gad
45. Ch. Chapman Luke Skywalker.....	C. & G. Gregory and T. & P.
46. Ch. Beaver Creek Simon Says.....	Tina Godfrey and Jane Lehtinen
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48. Ch. Absolutes Magic Mountain.....	Jeanne and Robert Blank
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51. Ch. Kneisler's Secret Tradition (B).....	Maria Kneisler
52. Ch. Shady Park Trace Tradition (B).....	Diana and Lucy Nolan
53. Foux Glen Dastar Magnum Force.....	Patricia Foux and E. Power
54. Larron Duke of Earl.....	Cynthia Wallen and Evelyn Newyear
55. Ch. Absolutes Harley's Son David.....	Blank, Meyer, Lafier
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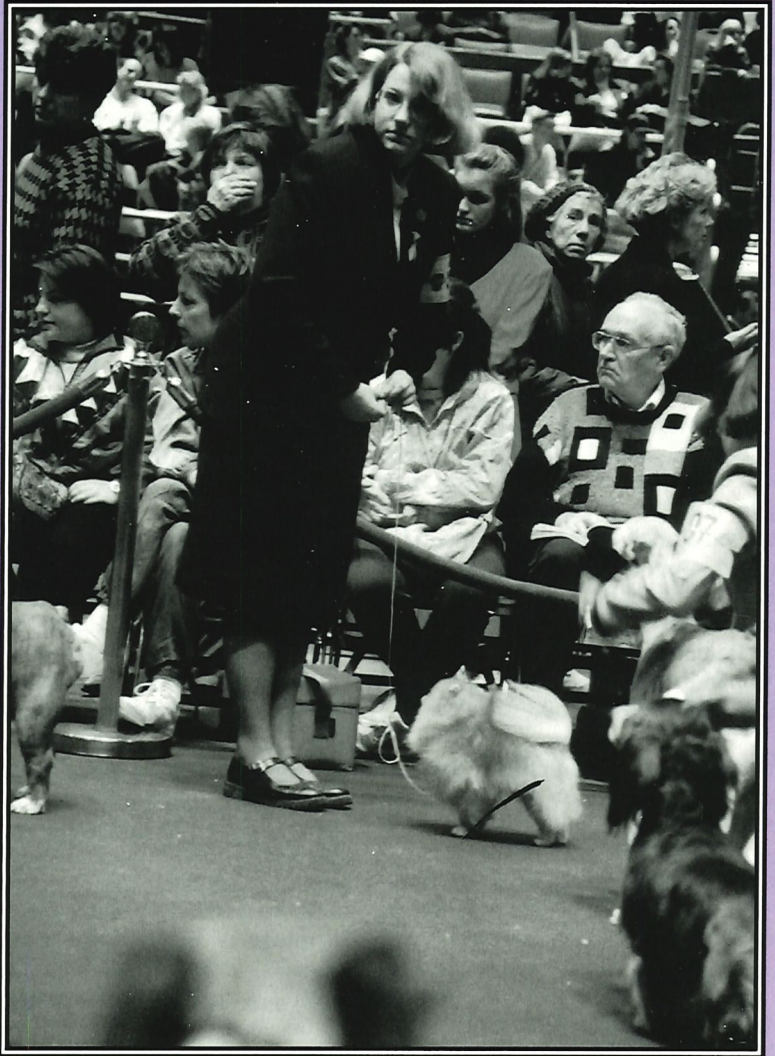
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CAROLYN CROCKETT

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Mildred G. Patrick on her well-deserved Kennel Visit!



Front Row: Lynn Heise, Mildred Patrick, Jill Cookston, Back Row: John Stephens, Diane Stevens, Judy Gates, Bud Gates, Cindy Bouleware, and Steve Cookston

Mildred has finished more than 20 champions in her career. Many have been her own Poms, but she has also shown and finished Poms for her friends.

We are proud to have her as Pom Club Member, and thank her for her many years of work with the club, but most of all for her friendship and her knowledge. Mildred, you are our Grand Lady of Pomeranians!

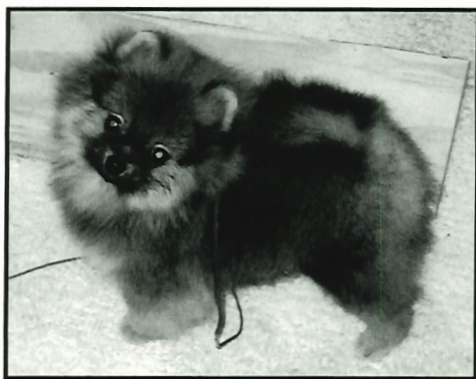
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Nutmeg)



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Sueacre's Nutmeg (better known as "Pippa") was bred in the United Kingdom by Mrs. Sue Smith. Pippa's sire is UK Ch. Toybox Platignum Phantom (cream sable) who was the top Pom in the UK in 1993 and 1994, and the top Stud Dog, 1994—all toys, bred by Miss Evelyn Smail of Dalkeith, Scotland.

The Spiceman was shown and finished between March 15th and June 10th, 1995, expertly handled by Miss Nadine Hersil. He came home to Texas long enough to sire a few nice puppies like the one pictured. Spiceman is now beginning his "specials" career with Nadine. We are in high hopes that his son "Silver" will follow in the footsteps of his great ancestors....and they are some impressive footsteps to fill!

Behind the New Titlists

h Rock Comet of Oakridge

Orange Male

Owner: Brenda Turner / Sharon Hicks

Breeder: Nina Epps

Ch Millamor's Trademark

Ch Millamor's Mark Tradition

Ch Millamor's Sparking Music

h Rock-N-Tradition of Oakridge

Ch De Arta's Rock Dancer

Rock Dancer's Little Rock

De Arta's Dancing Moon Gold

Ch Mac's Maybe I Will

Ch Nanshadow's Hurricane Juan CD

Ch LLL Charming Gold Kande

ancy Gold Kande of Oakridge

Ch Wee Robin's Dancer of Oakridge

Dancing Moonbeam of Oakridge

Dancing Sunbeam of Oakridge

Ch BrynRose Memory of Jamel

Orange Female

Breeder: S.W. and Brenda Turner

Owner: S.W. and Brenda Turner

Ch Cedarwood's Image of Diamond ROM

Ch Sharel's Southern Diamond

Sharel's Southern Belle

Ch Jamel's Texas Kane of Sharel

Ch Southland's Fudge Generation

Jamel's Precious Miracle Girl

Sharel's Tootie of Sunkist

Ch Cedarwood's Image of Diamond ROM

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Yips & Yaps

Dear Lois:

Viva La Difference! Lois, I really enjoy our "Point Counter Point," but again I must take exception to your last article in the December issue.

Although I feel that rescuing Poms from a local shelter can be very heart-warming and rewarding, I do not agree with Diane Bauman that a rescue dog has any more of a desire to work than a dog that has been nurtured to do obedience. People sometimes place human characteristics on their pets and I believe this is the case. From experience, I have one rescue Peke who gained a CD title with HIT's (average 198), but due to a congenital back injury, he was retired early in his career. My Peke is one in a million, but given the opportunity, I will always prefer obtaining a dog from a reputable breeder so I may be able to examine the lineage for physical and mental attributes and down falls. My Pom, Zannie, also had a 198 average in Novice but was able to continue on to receive her Utility title and her championship. I researched her lines thoroughly and had a good idea of the personality and physical type of Pom I was dealing with before she was even born! As I said in the last article, there are no guarantees to finding a sound dog, but I try to swing the odds as much as I can in my favor. Yes, you might be able to find a nice Pom at a shelter, but chances are you are buying someone else's problems. No, I am not cold hearted, only realistic.

Like you Lois, I spend more time training my dogs than I do in the show ring, but I must admit I love to show whether in conformation or obedience. But again, I restate, as in my last "Yips and Yaps" I NEVER exhibit a dog before it is totally show ready. Presently, I am training my Champion "Nike" and Bamboo (major pointed and out of coat) in Novice. Neither one of my Poms will be ring ready for approximately a year. I will be entered at the NCPC Specialty and the Summer Specialties in August, but in conformation. I do not see myself showing obedience with a Pom until 1997! My Border Collie is getting ready for the Gaines Regional in

June and the Classic in November and I will not be showing him except for these two events.

And like you, I do not get upset if my dog makes a mistake in the ring. Lord knows I have made enough myself! But if the Pom is doing obedience as you put it "her way" in the ring then the Pom is not ring ready. Personally, I do not like wasting my money on entries and giving OTCH points to other dogs! When my dogs enter the ring, they are confident, happy workers, enjoying each exercise, knowing they are doing it correctly. And like yourself, I receive the admiration of the general public and of my peers. Many "civilians" greet me outside the ring and ask where they may purchase a Pom such as mine, but contrary to you, I am able to turn them in the right direction to breeders that have show quality and produce quality puppies with similar physical and mental abilities to my Poms. I would also like to address the issue of researching the Pom in the breed ring. Lois, as I said, most obedience people never watch the breeds or groups or have a clue what is good conformation. One of the best ways to become self-educated in understanding all dogs is to watch the group rings. Not only do you learn about good and poor conformation but you can meet people who might help you in finding a sound Pom. As it is said "It is not what you know, but who you know." You need to extend yourself and maybe travel out of state.

Anyone who tells you 5 or 6 years on a waiting list to get a Pom does not have a four paws on the ground! Whether breeder or want to admit it or not, somewhere in the kennel is a 7 pound Pom begging for home! I personally have placed, in the last few months, for a breeder three very large but good quality Poms in family homes.

Lois, to be honest, I think you are trying to change the breed into something it is not. Let's not do to the Pom breed what in the past has been done to the Golden Retriever, Poodle, Peke, and German Shepherd, and the list goes on. Poms will never be competition material; that's why I own a Border Collie. I truly enjoy training my Poms, and I originally got into the breed because I enjoyed what I saw in the

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rack, 7-pound Pom, but, Lois to you--Viva
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Dear Editor:

I am writing concerning the Camino Book
Company. I received their flyer in March,
1995, to which I responded with an ad for
the inside cover and mailed this off on May
11, 1995. I had heard from a Joy Andor (not
sure of the spelling of her last name) on
April 4, 1995. At that time she told me that
after the deadline had been reached, she
thought the book would be in print by
August or mid-September, 1995. I started
trying to reach them in December, 1995,
and got a continuous answering service.
Never have any of my calls been returned.
Finally, after several attempts, I called the
BBB in Reno, Nevada, and they advised me
that they had several complaints on file
with this company, none of which had ever
been settled.

I never thought to check out the
credibility of this book company as they
had two books already published.

I felt that the APC members would
appreciate knowing that this company is not
all that it appears to be, and I would not like
to see any member get taken in the future. If
you have any input on this, please feel free
to use it.

Dolores Watts

Board Meeting

February 9, 1996

Meeting called to order by President
Dolly Trauner at 7:30 pm. Board members
present were: Mary Allan, Jeanne Blank,
Linda Brogoitti, Charlotte Creed, Tim
Goddard, Beverly Henry, Sharon Masnick,
Jim Shearer, Fran Stoll, Dolly Trauner, and
Al Williamson.

Motion made to accept minutes as
published.

Dolly Trauner called for a report from the

Standard Revision Committee. Charlotte
summarized. All Board members have
received monthly updates. They tried to
make it as fair as possible by not using
names to avoid personal conflicts. The
committee voted to present this version to
Board. If they approve it, the revised
standard will go to AKC for approval. Once
that is obtained, it will be sent to the
membership. Emphasis was placed on
describing correct coat and correct heads.
Other hot issues were soundness,
movement, and health. Coat and trimming
issues were covered. The committee tried to
present the new standard in a positive
manner to hopefully avoid fault judging.
She said we should encourage
knowledgeable people to offer grooming
seminars at specialties and all-breed shows.
Perhaps charging a \$5.00 fee that would go
to APC to be put in a fund toward research
of the skin disease.

Sam Zaneoff asked to speak to the Board.
He said that for many years he has heard
nothing but negative comments regarding
our showsite. He proposed a new showsite
in Long Island at a Rec. Room. The site is
very large, very clean. The only bad things
are that the closest hotels are 10-15 minutes
away and we would have to buy and store
mats. M/S/P to have Sam look into it.

Along the same lines, Beverly presented
the Meadowland Hilton and the Sheridan
Meadowlands proposals; however, these
two sites are in New Jersey not New York.

Beverly Henry passed around the revised
Summer Guidelines booklet. She noted
that the only changes were the elimination
of the JEC policy from inside the back
cover and removal of the reference to
champions not being allowed in
sweepstakes. M/S/P to accept **Summer
Guidelines** as corrected.

Al Williamson gave the Treasurers
report-- the present balance is \$13,234 as
best Al can tell since he is having computer
problems. Tim offered to try to help him
with the computer problems.

M/S/P to accept By-Laws as revised.

Dolly asked for a volunteer to put the
Welcome packet together and distribute it.
Jeanne Blank volunteered for the job.

A motion was made to pay judges a

maximum of \$500. The motion did not include the provision to eliminate the complimentary room, banquet, and lunch. M/S/F

A motion was made to have the following persons serve on the Judges Seminar Committee: Linda Brogoitti (Chair), Ruth Beam, Derial Jackson, Julie Moreno, and Beverly Henry. M/S/P

The following membership applicants are up for vote: Dean Barres, Alice Carson, Sharon Dugas, Joan Jerrell, Richard Kilbreth, Ginger Kilbreth, Leonard Podolin, Roberta Podolin, Wallach Schermerhorn, and Caryl Schermerhorn. Beverly stated that no letters had been received on any of the applicants. It was moved to accept all ten of them. M/S/P

The gold pin for championships earned that Darrell Baker suggested was discussed. Dolly wants ideas on what we can afford on it. Julie's Pom design could be done in silver for \$10 each.

A motion was made that we have another board meeting prior to the annual meeting to go over the Standard Committee's proposal. This needs to be done now to avoid accordion effect. Time for the special board meeting will be on Saturday at 7:00pm in the Hospitality room (room 919). M/S/P

Derial Jackson was introduced as one of the foremost experts in the breed. He passed around photos of top winning dogs of the 1920's, 30's, and 40's. Some of these were Little Sahib, Happy Boy, Little Ra, Sensation, Diamond King, Money Box, Little Emir, and Little Timstopper. Amazingly, all of these dogs had perfect cat feet. None were trimmed, and as one board member put it, not brushed either. Derial started writing a Pom column for **Dog World Magazine** when he was only 14 years old. His mentor was Mrs. Vincent Matta and later, Ruth Beam. One really interesting point he made was that Mrs. Matta used to live on Ditmars Blvd, where our present specialty is being held.

The method of choosing judges was discussed; they should not be sent to the membership twice. Fran said the entire slate was sent to membership who picked 5 and she assigned points to the choices--1st

choice got 5 points, 2nd choice got 4 points etc. A motion was made that we give membership the choice of 3 judges--1st choice = 3 points, 2nd choice = 2 points, 3rd choice = 1 point. M/S/P

Adding FAX and Internet ID numbers to membership application was discussed. Beverly said she had contacted Happy Jones to see if she still had the application on disk, but had not heard back from her yet. These should also be added to the database notice so that existing members may have this information added.

Tim Goddard said that the membership first choice would not come for \$350 but would for expenses--said he would try to hold it under \$500. A motion was made that if the first choice will do it for \$500 or less (including the room, banquet, and lunch) that we hire them, if not, the membership second choice will get the job as they had already agreed to the \$350 limit. M/S/P

The annual appointments are as follows:

- Olga Baker AKC Column
 - Sam Zaneoff..... AKC Delegates
 - Show Chairman Tim Goddard
 - Show Secretary..... Beverly Henry
 - Breeders Referral Contact..... Jane Lehtinen
 - Membership Chairman Jerrie Freeman
 - Pom Shoppe Bess Roberts
- (however, membership pins shall not be included in her responsibility. They will go to Jeanne Blain and she will include a card with membership packet offering the pins for sale)
- JEC Linda Brogoitti
 - APC Awards..... Judy Shear
 - Performance Events Margaret McKee
 - Rescue Contact Diana Downey
- (Beverly handed over rescue material that was faxed to her by Susann Philbrook. This material was in reference to a puppy mill closed down in Missouri and the sheriff's department allowed the owner to auction the breeding stock off herself instead of it being confiscated. Consensus of Board was that we should not reward a puppy miller. It was also agreed to adopt a policy that APC will not buy dogs at auctions.)
- Health and Genetics
- (Jim said a copy of Renee's report was sent to him one hour before he left for NY. Volunteers on this committee were asked for. There being none, Dolly said she will try to handle the job.
- Ways & Means..... needs a volunteer

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ect on a one year trial basis for advertising in the Review. We failed to act on it last February. A motion was made to continue special rates for one more year. M/S/P

A motion was made that Recording Secretary submit a synopsis of minutes to the Review, with the full versions to be published in the Roster. M/S/P

Tim noted that the Apc summer specialty will be held in August 1996 in Olympia, WA--he wanted to know if the Board wanted to approve their list of judges. The Board agreed to abide by their choices.

Tim received correspondence from Domino Video. They want to be our video person. Noble Jewelers wants to design a piece for us. Country Mills who want us to provide them with a list of national breeders. Delaware Pom Club will pay us \$38.26 for extra postage caused by including their match flyer with our premium list.

Linda Brogoitti passed around material needed for judges seminars.

Dolly reminded the Board that the imaging program will be viewed following Deepstakes tomorrow in the Hospitality Room.

There being no new business, meeting was adjourned.

Second Board Meeting

February 10, 1996

This meeting was called to order by President Dolly Trauner at 7:00 pm in the Hospitality Room. Present were: Dolly Trauner, Tim Goddard, Linda Brogoitti, Jim Learner, Mary Allan, Charlotte Creed, Al Williamson, and Beverly Henry.

Those present viewed the Imaging slides this afternoon developed by AKC. After reviewing them, it was a unanimous decision that there was not one "good" Pomeranian shown. Motion made that a letter be sent to AKC stating that we do not want this presentation distributed for any Judge's education seminars. We will provide new images for them to re-do the presentation. M/S/P

Tim contacted membership's first choice

for 1997 judge and he said he would waive his fee but would have to have airfare, 2 nights lodging and meals. Depending on all the variables, it could feasibly get up to \$800. Motion made that we hire the next judge in line who agreed that \$350 would be ample. M/S/P

The location of next year's Winter Specialty was discussed and Beverly stated that in view of information learned last night that Mrs. Matta used to live on Ditmars, we belonged right where we were. Al has an appointment with the Marriott on Monday morning to go over a 197 contract. Tim said he would try to accompany him.

The revised standard was discussed as everyone has had time to read what Charlotte gave us last night. Motion was made that we accept the standard as presented to the Board. Motion carried, 7 for, 1 against.

There being no further business, meeting was adjourned to begin Annual Meeting.

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NOTICE
At the Board's request, this issue of the **Pomeranian Review** was delayed in order to publish the results of the American Pomeranian Club Specialty.
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Delaware Valley Pomeranian Club

by Susann Philbrook

Our February 1996 match show was our first endeavor to take place in conjunction with the American Pomeranian Club Winter Specialty Show. On behalf of the DVPC, we were very excited and grateful to be part of the Winter APC festivities. Especially, we would like to thank Beverly Henry, APC's Show and Recording Secretary, who really got the ball rolling for us and helped us to interface so well with the APC.

There was a total of 49 entries including non-regular classes (not bad considering the entry was limited to pre-entry only). We opted to limit the classes to regular and a couple of non-regular classes since we were unsure of what to expect. The show went off very smoothly and we received many positive comments expressing that it was a "great idea" to hold a match in the afternoon after the APC sweepstakes concluded. We thank everyone who supported and participated in our match show. Because of your support, we will be able to go forward and hold future shows. We have some ideas for future match shows (maybe even a point show) that should appeal to everyone.

Dolores Watts, our judge, did a marvelous job. She commented on the impressive high-quality of all the entrants. Nancy Wharton was a very capable steward who kept us all on track. The show concluded in 3 hours.

Our auction did very well. Many thanks to our club members for coming out and working at the match show and at our table as well as contributing money and items to the auction.

Next year marks our tenth anniversary. We hope to be invited to participate with the APC or perhaps another specialty club. One of our goals is to obtain sanctioning and to soon offer a specialty point show to the Pomeranian fancy. Should anyone have any suggestions/comments, good or bad, about the February '96 match show, we would love to hear them. Our main goal is to make each event enjoyable to all!

Please send your comments to: Susann Philbrook; DVPC President and Match Show Chairperson; 1209 Forceville Dr.; Westampton, NJ 08060.

DVPC Match Results

Saturday, February 10, 1996

Regular Classes

Judge: Dolores Watts

Steward: Nancy Wharton

4-6 mos Puppy Dogs

Jan-Shar's Baby Huey Sharon Hanson

6-9 mos Puppy Dogs

Heartland's Top Notch Tradition Dianne Kieffer

12-18 mos Puppy Dogs

Jeribeth Lance-Son Legacy Olga Baker

Adult Dogs

PPP Amber's Threza Lucky Charm Lael Ellis

4-6 mos Puppy Bitches

Lynnwright's French Kiss Donna Lynn Wright

6-9 mos Puppy Bitches

Heartland's Misty Heather Dianne Kieffer

9-12 mos Puppy Bitches

Postscript's Ex'Cla-Ma'tion Rose Keller

Adult Bitches

Rhynstone The Siren Joyce Urban

**Non-Regular Classes
Best Veteran**

Ch. Lil' Shaver's Devastatin Karen, Kathy & Helen Shaver

Best Brood Bitch

Idlewyld Koh-I-Noor Diamond Margaret McKee

Best Costume

PPP Amber's Threza Lucky Charm Lael Ellis

Parade of Champions

Ch. Tiffany's Prince Andy O Erin Maureen Healy

Ch. Gailellen's Dark Knight Gail Rodgers and Ted Rebovich

Best Puppy in Match: Heartland's Top Notch Tradition

BOS Puppy: Lynnwright's French Kiss

Best Adult: PPP Amber's Threza Lucky Charm

BOS Adult: Rhynstone The Siren

Best in Match: Heartland's Top Notch Tradition



Jim Hattori and Chris Heartz



Charlotte Creed

APC Specialty Sweepstakes Report

by Sue Goddard

As far as my life with pomeranians has been--now for over 30 years--I do believe judging these sweepstakes classes was an all-time high. What a thrill to see such an outstanding group! I personally believe the overall quality was the best I have ever seen. It made my job easy as I really couldn't go wrong since there were so many excellent choices. There was not a single entry that made me want to ask, "What on earth are you doing here?" I do believe that most entries will become

Of Angels, Thieves & Smugglers

**(Or How I Spent My NY Specialty
Weekend)**

by Linda Brogoitti

You would think I'd learn from experience. Every time I try to play a joke on someone, it backfires. This time was no exception. Waiting for the flight to New York, I wandered around the tourist shops at our Phoenix airport and found IT! A small manila envelope containing ONE DOZEN RATTLESNAKE EGGS--- CAUTION: TO PREVENT HATCHING, STORE IN A COOL DRY PLACE. The



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I was sitting by the window with the middle seat vacant and decided to listen to some tapes. I put my purse in the empty seat and started to go through it looking for the earphones when I came across the envelope. I didn't know the envelope wasn't sealed--when I dropped it the SNAKE EGGS EXPLODED WITH SOUND!! It was as if 50 rattlers were right under the seat! The gentleman in the aisle seat dove for the aisle (unfortunately his seat belt was still on) but didn't get too far. The steward came racing down and tried to get him upright in his seat since he was in a most awkward position, but he kept yelling in Japanese (which makes me wonder how he knew what the sound was, since they don't have rattlers in Japan. I concluded he must watch a lot of Westerns!). I apologized over and over to him and the steward explained it was an accident. The steward commented that I was lucky this was a non-stop flight. Wonder what he meant by that remark? (By the way--there's no such thing as rattlesnake eggs; they are born live and are equipped with rattles and venom at birth.)

The APC had a hospitality room for Friday night, but this year we had an unexpected surprise. A local ANGEL, who is an APC member for many years, donated NOT ONE, BUT TWO NIGHTS OF A BUFFET AND BAR for the members. It was so grand, it would have overflowed the hospitality room, so it was held downstairs in the lobby and meeting rooms.

The tray of jumbo shrimp must have been three feet square and was kept replenished all night as were the sandwiches, cheese and meat trays, hot beef and pork dishes, veggie platters, pastries, and oh, yes, the caviar. A most unusual event took place regarding the caviar on the first night.

When there's a large group of people milling around, you don't always know everyone, so no one thought too much about the little, well-dressed man who was walking around enjoying the buffet.

A few members had questioned each other, "Do you know who that is?" But since no one seemed to know, they simply went on visiting and eating. Then it happened! THE GREAT CAVIAR CAPER!

This demure, reserved, well-dressed gentleman suddenly snatched up the caviar and took off! All was not lost, however, as our own Deputy Darrell Baker was hot on the trail. The culprit was climbing the stairs and clutching the caviar when Deputy Darrell asked him to wait up and talk to him. This very reserved robber, not wishing to seem impolite, looked down and said "NO!" and quickly took off running. He was never seen again. We all watched for him on the next night, but concluded that he was either hosting his own party (with our caviar) or had decided to try another hotel.

The entire cost for both nights' festivities was donated by our ANGEL who wished to remain anonymous. This gracious lady provided much more than a hospitality buffet. She created an atmosphere of warmth and benevolence for everyone who attended. Thank you, Angel, and her helper, Olga Baker.

Our treasurer, Al Williamson, was enjoying his shrimp when Olga Baker went over and teased him about what this was costing the APC!! Al is very careful with the APC money, and this little trick of Olga's almost put him over the edge. Once he quit choking, he was fine and enjoyed the joke with everyone else.

There's one person who never gets rattled, upset, unnerved, or distressed. Our Show Chairman and Corresponding Secretary, Tim Goddard, always seemed to have everything under control. No matter what transpired, he was the original Mr. Cool, Calm, and in Control, and ran a beautiful Specialty for us. Maybe I'll try the snake eggs on him next year!

Can't go much further with this without telling you about the Bag Lady of the Garden. While having chopped liver sandwiches at Applebaum's Deli across from Madison Square Garden, we noticed a lady with about 12 boxes and various garbage bags, setting them up on the corner by the Garden. We asked the waiter about

her, and he told us she'd been there for three years that he knew of and was there off and on all the time. He said the police never bothered her so that was her permanent address. I probably wouldn't have thought too much about this except for what she was wearing--a fur stole was slung over her shoulders as she arranged and rearranged her possessions by the curb.

Most of you are familiar with the soft-sided carry on bags for dogs that fit under the seat on the plane. With advance notice and \$50 per flight, all the major carriers allow a limited number of pets in the cabins. It varies with the size of the plane, but from two to six pets per flight are allowed.

This brings us to the airport in New York and four people trying to get on board with 4 dogs and only one of them declared. If you know anything about smuggling at all, there are a few prerequisites to consider. First is blending in with your surroundings; you can't pretend to be a dairy cow if you look like a giraffe. Second is not calling unusual attention to yourself. These two important steps seem to have been tossed aside by the eager to return home travelers.

Charlotte Creed had her dog declared, but she also acquired another dog while in New York. With the extreme cold, she worried about putting a little Pom in cargo, and did what any one of us would have tried. He was going on the plane with her, no matter what! Annette Rogers-Rister had two dogs and also one of Charlotte's, so lucky Tony Tellez, always the gentleman, offered to help the ladies out and took one of Charlotte's dogs to go with him. Coralyn Jenkins, a co-worker and friend of Annette's, took one of her dogs and all was great until--Charlotte was at the ticket counter and one of the undeclared dogs started barking.

From that point on, everything went to hell in a handbasket. It's real tricky to be standing at the ticket counter and saying you don't have a dog with you when your shoulder bag is jumping all over so it looks as if you're carrying a Boa Constrictor. Add to this fiasco, the other undeclared dogs (all at different ticket counters, now

wasn't that clever?) who don't like each other jumping around in their carriers and all competing in the Great American Bark-off at La Guardia Airport!

They asked Tony if he had a dog, and I looked around at the ladies as if to say, "Oh now what do I do?" Needless to say, he had to pay, Annette had to pay, and Charlotte had to pay. Only the clever Coralyn got on board with no trouble, and she doesn't even own a dog. After this trip, she may never own one!

Only at a hotel filled with dog people could the following incident take place. About 15 people crowded into a room, some standing, some sitting on the bed, and all in deep conversation about which Maxi-Pads to use. You heard me right! We were discussing the use of piddle pants/diapers for male Poms. Annette Rogers-Rister was showing some of the different ones she uses. Some are even holiday oriented with the flag for the Fourth of July, trees for Christmas, and of course gold for evenings on the town. They flocked around the dog and are held on with Velcro. A great idea for the male at hotels if you can't trust him. Just attach a regular unscented super absorbent Maxi-Pad and he can run about with no worry. Only dog people would think about this. I'll be the manufacturer never though their product would be used for piddle pants.

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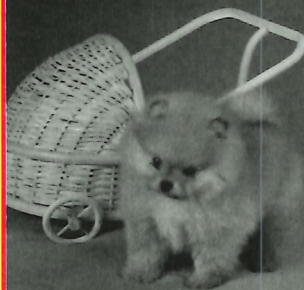
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Show Results

Sweepstakes

Judge: Mrs. Suzanne L. Goddard

Junior Dogs, 6 mos. under 9 mos.

Heartland's Top Notch Tradition.....Dianne Kieffer

Junior Dogs, 9 mos. under 12 mos.

Elan's Never Say Die.....Melissa and David Dahlenburg

Senior Dogs, 12 mos. under 18 mos.

Teakwood's Two Thumbs Up.....Laureen Ivey

Junior Bitches, 6 mos. under 9 mos.

Valcopy-Wakhan Betty Boop.....Dana Plonkey and Randy Gemmill

Junior Bitches, 9 mos. under 12 mos.

Valcopy Wakhan Scarlet Letter.....Dennis Litonjua

Senior Bitches, 12 mos. under 18 mos.

Raglan Ginger Snaps.....Joan and Melv Beech

Best Junior in Sweeps: Heartland's Top Notch Tradition

BOS to Best Junior: Valcopy-Wakhan Betty Boop

Best Senior in Sweeps: Raglan Ginger Snaps

BOS to Best Senior: Teakwood's Two Thumbs Up

Grand Sweepstakes Winner: Heartland's Top Notch Tradition

Veteran Sweepstakes

Veteran Dogs, 9 years and over

TNT's Puttin' On The Ritz

Veteran Bitches, 6 years under 9 years

Ch. Lil' Shaver's Devastatin'

Best Veteran: Ch. Lil' Shaver's Devastatin'

BOS: TNT's Puttin' on the Ritz

Regular Classes

Judge: Mrs. James Edward Clark

Puppy Dogs, 6 mos. under 9 mos.

Heartland's Top Notch Tradition.....Diane Kieffer

Puppy Dogs, 9 mos. under 12 mos

Tanglewood Wise Guy.....Howard Sklar

12 to 18 mo. Dogs

Blake's Pride and Joy.....Evelyn Blake

Bred-by-Exhibitor Dogs

Tomho Rebel Lee.....Tommi and Sandi Hooban

Open Dogs, Black, Brown, Blue

D-N-H's Walk-N After Midnight.....Kathryn Hartz & Patricia Foley

Open Dogs, ROCS

Absolute's Sizzlin Magician.....Gail Durnoik & Gale Sharland

Open Dogs, AOAC

Homestead's Damfino.....Jean M. Hurley

**Winners Dog: Heartland's Top Notch Tradition
Reserve: Tomho Rebel Lee**

Puppy Bitches, 6 mos. under 9 mos.

Valcopy-Wakhan Betty Boop Dana Plonkey & Randy Gemmill

Puppy Bitches, 9 mos. under 12 mos.

Fan-C's Julie Ann Florence Scott

12 to 18 mo Bitches

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Bred-by-Exhibitor Bitches

Fame Mon Sheree Amore Brenda Segelken

American Bred Bitches

Just Shadows of Tinker Bell Susan Holderman & Kathryn Hartz

Open Bitches ROCS

Idlewyld Koh-I-Noor Diamond Margaret McKee

Open Bitches AOAC

Chriscendo's Colour Picture Christine Heartz

**Winners Bitch: Chriscendo Colour Picture
Reserve: Calcopy-Wakhan Betty Boop**

Veteran Dog

Ch. Might Dainti Lord Peter Pan P. Langevin & Gloria Setmayer

Veteran Bitch

Emcee's Simplemente Girl Diana Downey & Morris Carson

Best of Breed: Ch. Glen Iris Castle Rock owned by Nina Work, Cheryl Jackson, Joel Taylor

Best of Winners: Chriscendo Colour Picture

Best of Opposite Sex: Ch. Valcopy Wakhan Hot Gossip owned by Hideko Strasbaugh, Dana Plonkey, Randy Gemmill

Best Puppy in Regular Classes: Heartland's Top Notch Tradition

Best in Bred by Exhibitor Classes: Fame Mon Sheree Amore

Awards of Merit:

Ch. Starfire's Superman Jose Cabrera & Fabian Arienti

Ch. Jan Le's Justa Dash of Millamor Jane Lehtinen

Ch. Elan's Palm Beach Polo Melissa & David Dahlenburg

Ch. JR's Yankee Doodle Dandy Gail Raney & Haney Hovey

Pixie's Sweet Dreams Carol Galavich & Bonnie Stetson

Stud Dog

Starfire's Alter Boy Brian Incorvaia

Brood Bitch

Ch. Pinehaven's Just An Illusion Gale Sharland

Best Junior Handler:

Elizabeth Kerr

HIT Regular Classes

Princess Lacey II Carol Leembuis

HIT Bred by Exhibitor

Dimonde's Gem Fire Diana Downey



Best of Breed
Ch. Glen Iris Castle Rock



Best of Opposite
Ch. Valcopy-Wakhan Hot Gossip



Best of Winners
Chriscendo Color Picture



WD, Best Puppy, Best in Sweepstakes
Heartland's Top Notch Tradition



Best in Veteran Sweepstakes
Ch. Lil' Shaver's Devastatin'



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President's Message

by Dolly Trauner

Happy Chinese New Year!!! Gung Hay Fat Choy!!!

I forget the year for the Chinese--the Dog? the Duck? the Rat!!! Every time is for Dim Sum and Chinese New Year Cakes. The Rat is for prosperity and health. Anyway, this is a year for all of us members of APC!

I can't tell you, all of you, how much interest and devotion you have shown toward the Breed Standard work. It is **your** Standard, not of a person nor a Board, but the work of very many people who love the Pom. The Board unanimously voted to accept the standard which was compiled by a devoted committee of 7 people headed by Charlotte Creed. We are grateful for the input of the many people who contributed their ideas for the breed. Now this Standard is going to AKC. We hope the AKC will speedily approve the Standard and then it will be sent to you for a vote.

There was a bobble at AKC last Spring regarding the By-Laws, but now it is going to the members for a vote this time. The members will determine whether the Specialty stays in New York or goes to another place or another time of the year. AKC said we are members-to-vote, but we have foreign members who do not vote and are not on the Board.

The Board has appointed Jeanne Blank, who volunteered to plan a "Welcome Pack" for new members. The Packet will contain (a) Bylaws, (b) Standard, (c) Code of Ethics, (d) Membership Roster, (e) Information Booklet, (f) Member Card, (g) a Review subscription, (h) and an order for the \$5 Club pin.

Bev Henry has performed superbly month after month for the last 3 years as Recording Secretary. Now, she is also Show Secretary, getting out the Premium Lists, the Catalog, and all the bits and pieces for running the show.

The trophies were beautiful, each one of them were handmade by an APC member. Bronya and Dick gathered the trophies and brought them to New York. The entry almost equalled the all time entry of 1992.

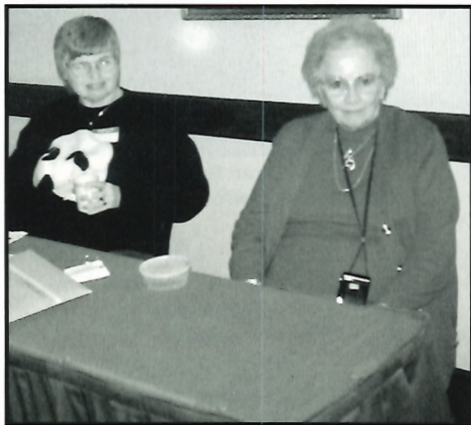
Our angel was the fairy godmother

who prepared a feast for the hordes! She will be remembered as the "Mother" of hospitality. We share our thanks for the bounty. Even the hotel did us a wonderful banquet.

Linda Brogoitti has the job of working with AKC to revise the imaging. She will start with the beginning to make the imaging really educational. The committee to work on this project are: Derial Jackson, Ruth Beam, Bev Henry, Julie Moreno, and others who are expert authorities.

Judy Shearer presented the awards of which there were many. The placques were especially handsome.

In the end, I thank all of you for your patience and fortitude because of my disability regarding speech.



Beverly Henry and Dolly Trauner



Darrell Baker

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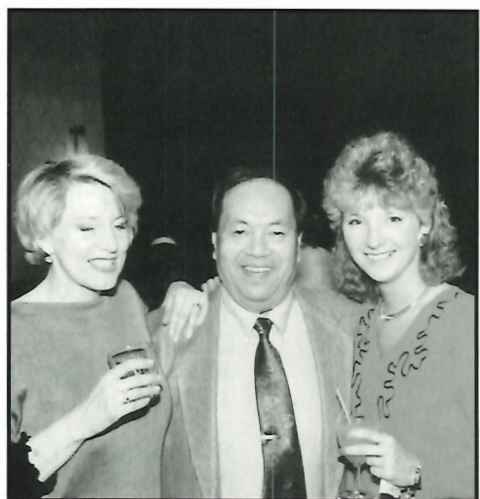
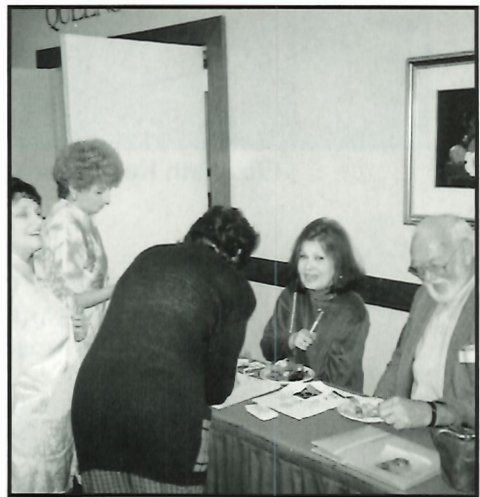
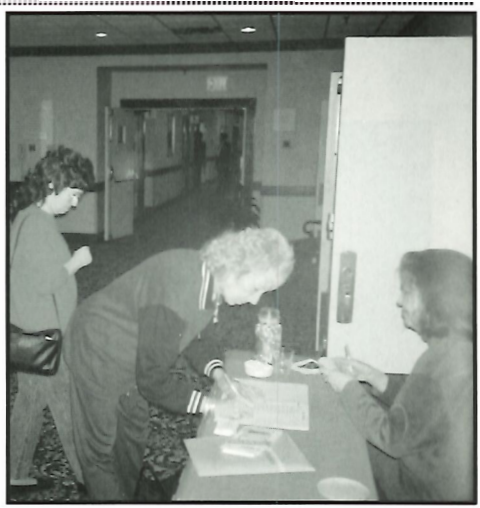
Elizabeth Kerr, Joel Taylor, and Sharon Hanson

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by Judy Shearer

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- Top Winning Bitch...Ch. Valcopy-Wakhan Hot Gossip owned by Hideko Strasbaugh, Dana Plonkey, and Randy Gemmill
- Top Producing Sire...Ch. Rock N Tradition of Oakridge owned by Nina Epps
- Top Producing Dam...Jan-Shar's Big Mama owned by Sharon Hanson
- Breeder of the Year...Sharon Hanson
- Exhibitor of the Year...Sharon Hanson
- Top Novice Pom...Ch. Trailbuster's Lady Houdini CD owned by Lois Campbell
- Top Open Pom...Ch. Pomirish Chance's Dina Mite CDX owned by Patricia Krause and Sally Baugniet
- Top Utility Pom, Top Obedience and APC's first Top Agility Pom...Kassel's Dandelion Down owned by Lois Morkassel



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