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Member Focus.....

TJ-ROC Kennels

Terri Rothwell holds CH Marrics Keep on Truckin', CGC, RL1, RN, BN (Kenworth) who when he recently took High in Match in the Mo-Kan Toy Dog Club Match, March 2011.



Letter from the President



This is the first newsletter after our latest specialty show in Tulsa and it seems to have been a success. The entries were over 1/3 higher than the previous year and our club made a nice profit on the two shows.

As a matter of interest, here's the breakdown of dogs from various states. Texas brought us the highest number of entries at 22. Missouri next at 11. Then, Arkansas 7, Oklahoma, Nebraska and California 5 each, Louisiana 2, Kansas and Tennessee 1 each. This is for the second show with the first show being very similar. Our specialty is not just a local show.

We are lucky with the generosity of the two host clubs, Mid-Continent Kennel Club and Seminole Kennel Club. They provide the facilities at no cost to our club as well as paying for Judge's air fare and other items. This takes a heavy financial burden off of our club and makes the whole thing possible. Papillons had the largest entries of any breed during the following four days of all-breed shows so it works out well for all of us.

For next year, I'm pleased that Mary Hakel has volunteered to come on as co-showchair. She said that she will do that for next year to learn the requirements and then be the full show chairman the following year. I'm very grateful to have more volunteers to help out. We've also had others stepping up to assist in judges transportation and other jobs. It's a good trend and it isn't going unnoticed. Thanks to all.

Don



Nisroc is AKC/ASCA CH Shamans Heaven Sent to TJ-ROC, CGC, RN, RA, RE, AKC/ASCA CD, Delta Society Therapy Certified



CH Marris Keep on Truckin' (Kenworth) wins a Group 4 at Sedalia, MO.

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On the Cover: TJ-ROC Kennels

Terri Rothwell was born into an All American farm family located in Southeast Missouri. Besides all the usual farm animals and kids pets, her mother had a small Doberman Kennel and showed in Conformation, Obedience and Schutzhund Training. Terri has always liked smaller dogs too; so, for her eighth birthday Terri finally convinced her parents that SHE NEEDED a Chihuahua.

Little Pocoa came into their lives and ruled all 15 Dobermans and lots of cows with no problem. Pocoa trained for obedience but did not get to trial as she had epilepsy. She was gone at 4 years.

Heartbroken, Terri did not get another dog of her own till 16 when she got a Scottish Terrier. She couldn't decide which was the true leader, she or her Terrier, but they had a blast all through high school and college. They did some trialing but Terri's schooling was always in the way. In the 80's Terri, also, had one of her mom's Dobs. He was awesome at obedience so they did some local trialing. When the last of the kids were leaving high school, Terri decided to get back into obedience, narrowing her breeds down to Standard Schnauzers and Australian Shepherds.

Terri found a good Aussie breeder first and had several Assie's over the last ten years, even did a bit of breeding in the meantime. Since having had two knee replacements, she found that she needed to work with smaller dogs and let others show her aussies.

After a lot of research, the beloved Papillon won. Terri felt extremely fortunate to find Marcy Wyrens who let her have CH Marris Keep on Truckin', CGC, RL1, RN, BN, known as Kenworth. Terri also found the getting back into the ring was a lot of fun and enjoyed learning to show a table dog.

Kenworth is the ultimate show dog and the two are having a fun with performance venues, too. Now Terri has lots of great people friends and several papillons. Terri thanks all the Tulsa Papillon Club members who have been so helpful and supportive over these past four years. Today, she looks forward to many more years with this great breed.

Puppy Socialization: Key to Preventing Behavior Problems

Many have wondered about the diversity of dogs and how that came to be, from pack behaviors to canine reactions which are particularly unique to the breeds. Some breeders now believe handlers need to learn to recognize behavioral language in order to best socialize and work with their dogs but almost all agree that choosing the age to begin is very important. According to former managing editor of the AKC Gazette, Arliss Paddock, "It is important to understand that the amount of socialization a puppy receives—or doesn't receive—during this period shapes her permanently.

The critical age for socializing your puppy is between 7 to 12 weeks of age. Because the first three months is the period when sociability outweighs fear, this is the primary window of opportunity for puppies to adapt to new people, animals, and experiences.... "[For more info go to http://www.akc.org/enewsletter/akc_breeder/2011/spring/puppy.cfm]

Socialization: Things to watch for

Submissive Behaviors: avoidance of eye contact, horizontally retracted lips, lowered head and tail, ears rotated back, crouched body position, lateral recumbency and submissive urination.

Dominant Behaviors: staring, vertical retraction of lips, head held high with tail above horizontal, ears rotated forward, increased height, tense and rigid posture, standing over subordinate, head or paws over neck or body of dog, pushing, bowling and mounting.

(read Dr. Katherine A. Houpt's response in Ask The Experts in Dog Watch June 9011, p. 8)



Less than 14000 years separates the Maltese and its ancestor, the wolf. Photograph by Vincent J. Musi

Early canids developed tame dispositions and geneticalled linked qualities, including trainability, tail wagging and multicolored coats. notes Raymond Coppinger in National Geographic.

"Nobody who has ever trained a wolf had any success if they started after 19 days," says Coppinger, a professor of biology and animal behavior at Hampshire College in Massachusetts...."

Education: Domestication: Taming the Wild By Evan Ratliff

Only a handful of wild animal species have been successfully bred to get along with humans, though we know that individual animals can be trained to exist in close contact with humans. A tiger cub fed by hand, imprinting on its captors, may grow up to treat them like family. But that tiger's offspring, at birth, will be just as wild as its ancestors. Domestication, by contrast, is not a quality trained into an individual, but one bred into an entire population through generations of living in proximity to humans. Many if not most of the species' wild instincts have long since been lost. Domestication, in other words, is mostly in the genes.

Using Mendel's genetic research, more than a half century ago, researcher-biologist Dmitry Belyaev gathered up 130 foxes from fur farms and began breeding them with the goal of re-creating the evolution of wolves into dogs, a transformation that began more than 15,000 years ago. By the mid-1960s the experiment was working beyond what he could've imagined.

Miraculously, Belyaev had compressed thousands of years of domestication into a few years. Selecting which foxes to breed based solely on how well they got along with humans seemed to alter their physical appearance and dispositions in only nine generations.

Later, in 2003, a young researcher Brian Hare, known for his work cataloging the unique behaviors of dogs and wolves suggested that selecting against fear and aggression—what Hare calls "emotional reactivity"—created foxes that are not just tame but that also had the doglike ability to engage with humans using their social cues. [For more info go to <http://ngm.nationalgeographic.com/2011/03/taming-wild-animals>]

Interesting Information: From Wolf to Woof

No other species displays such diversity as the dog. Raymond Coppinger calls the dog a shape-shifter. Yet all dog breeds share certain characteristics, born of their common origin. As early canids adapted to human settlements, they developed tame dispositions and a host of genetically linked qualities, including trainability, tail wagging, and multicolored coats. No longer needing to bring down big prey, dogs developed skulls and teeth that were smaller, relative to their overall size, than a wolf's. Having gone from a diet of meat to eating human garbage, they developed smaller brains, which require less protein and fewer calories for growth and maintenance. The end product was an animal we would recognize as the mutt—similar to the medium-size, often golden-colored dogs that scavenge on the edges of towns worldwide. From this beginning, the earliest breeds may have emerged with a minimum of human intervention as people chose and reared dogs for abilities such as guarding or hunting. Environment also shaped early breeds. In cold climates, for instance, larger dogs with dense coats could better survive to reproduce. Over the centuries humans began to crossbreed animals with desirable traits to produce hybrids, creating greater variation in shapes than would appear or survive in nature. [For pics, go to <http://ngm.nationalgeographic.com/2002/01/dogs/dogs-photography>]

Important Information from AKC

Beginning in September, the AKC Gazette will no longer be available in print but can be found online at no charge. Instead, the AKC Family Dog, which is geared toward all dog lovers, will be published in print bimonthly, and feature expert advice on behavior, training, grooming, and health. If you recently sent in your money for your AKC Gazette subscription, it will be returned.

Busy people:

It takes lots of standing and watching to show a dog in confirmation.



Trophy chairman, Katherine Auger(right) and general gofer, Marilyn Bauer (top left) check the trophy list and Teresa Jankosky helps, as needed.



Pierre Auger watches over the raffle items.



Bee Beeson (center) takes a needed break; Lee does final grooming; and new member, Linda Riley (front left) watches.

On The Road: One Day-Two Specialties-One Social (Whew!!!)

It was a trying day to get all this done, but, oh, did we have a lot of fun. Together, we made this the largest Specialty that we've done. Congratulations to all who were there, whether in spirit or in fact. And, a big thanks to Judges Dennis McCoy and Dawn Hansen.



You had to look quickly for Don Colvard who was working with PCT's obedience trials.



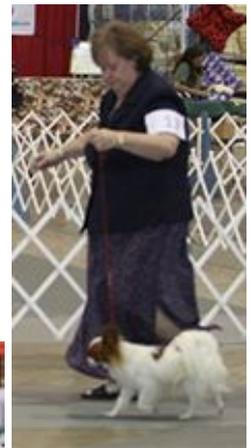
Inside-Steward, Jane Bracken (center), waits for the judge to finish; Danae Fayard (top left) and Shirley Hall (top right) wait for the results and Showchairman, Don Bauer, and Outside Steward, Bee Beeson, (below) make sure all the paperwork gets done.



Marcy Wyrens (below left), new member Joanne Glawson (below right) Mary Hakel (right), and Lisa Richert (bottom right) Patsy Kirk (bottom left) stack, bait, and position their dogs for the judge.



Katherine Auger shows off Dona Hendrix's Cowboy while Dona was in Agility.



Dedra Turner with Kip (left) and Sally Bacus (right) with her veteran, Charlie, on the down and back



Barbara McClure waits her turn.

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Upcoming Events . . .

The next PCT meeting will be at Little Rock on Saturday August 13th.

Notice: If you can't make that, be sure to put down the Northwest Arkansas Kennel Club shows on your calendar. They will now be held at the

Washington County
Fairgrounds,
2536 N McConnell Ave.,
Fayetteville, AR

On The Road: The Get together time



A big thanks to Danae Fayard (left) and Garey Kirk (right) for all the wonderful pictures they took and to Danae and Patsy Kirk for posting them on our PCT Facebook site.



Marilyn and Don Bauer hosted the Specialties social at their RV. Pictured relaxing are Marilyn Iliff and Mary Hakel (above), Ann Reed (left), Sally Bacus and Shay (upper right) and Papillons enjoying the time away from work (lower right).



Dates & Places to Remember

PCT meetings are scheduled throughout the year and include socials PLUS get togethers at numerous nearby dog shows. Our goal is for our PCT members to easily network and play an active part in the club. From the increased size in attendance, this strategy must be working. At this time the next meeting is scheduled for Saturday, following the Little Rock show. If you have an opinion about get-togethers, email it to the officers.

Learning to Use the Papillon Club of Tulsa's Facebook

- 1) Enter <http://www.facebook.com/>
- 2) **Fill out for your personal FB site.**
- 3) **Go to the Search box** on your Facebook page,
- 4) **Type in Papillon Club of Tulsa.**
- 5) **Click on "like" and you will have befriended the club's FB site and can receive all announcements,**

Our site is for member's only and messages will not be sent to non-member sites. If you want to contact a FB member, privately, click on the member's name/picture and it will take you to their site. If they haven't befriended you, you will get little, if any of, their information but you can click on the Message box in their upper right corner and email them privately that way.