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Ch. Bandog's Johnny Bull ROM

Ch Bandog's Crawdaddy Gumbo ROM x Bandog Tattooed Brnde ROM
DOB: 3-16-81, pictured at seven years of age

Ch. Bandog's Johnny Bull is a name you will see in a lot of pedigrees. He was a beautiful clear fawn with heavy pigment, black eyes, just 24 inches tall, but a very broad, deep dog with heavy bone for his size. Johnny had very good angulation front and rear, a lovely head (although his ears could have been smaller) with wonderful expression. He was a very compact, typey Bullmastiff with a great attitude and show presence.

Johnny was a Best in Sweepstakes winner at just six months of age, and was the first offspring of Ch. Bandog's Crawdaddy Gumbo to finish his championship, which he did before he was a year old. Despite his short stature, he had many Group Placements to his credit. While he had much success in the show ring, Johnny's biggest influence was as a stud dog. He passed on a very compact body, very sound movement, and a particular head type that is still very evident in many Bullmastiffs that have him in his pedigree, particularly Banstock, HappyLegs, Arborcrest and Sherwood. He had a very square head and square muzzle, not overdone or exaggerated.

Johnny was bred and owned by Louise Sanders and Helene Nietsch. Except for the year he spent with Marilyn Dollin-Deeds at Arborcrest, Johnny was a kennel dog, and lived the majority of his life with his handler, Joe Napolitano, who also co-owned him. He spent his last few years with Patty Stephens (Sosa), where he passed away at eleven years of age.

Submitted by Helene Nietsch of Banstock Bullmastiffs

Cover Story

Deadline for the Fall 1996 issue: Articles, advertising, specialty and club reports and breeders listings must be received no later than *September 30, 1996*. Ad space provided on a first-come, first-served basis based on *date received*, not postmarked. Advertisers may call ahead to reserve space. Ad copy limited to 100 words per ad. Mail all material to: Chris Lezotte, Bulletin Editor, 6283 Hellner Road, Ann Arbor, Michigan 48105, (313) 741-7326.

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From the Editor

I hope this Bulletin finds everyone enjoying their summer, be it at home or in the show ring. My thanks to all the members who contributed to this issue.

In order to get the next issue in the mail before the holidays, it is important that I receive the materials by *September 30, 1996*. I realize that this may be tight for those of you who wish to advertise your National Specialty wins. If you would like to brag about your success at the National, but are having trouble getting your photos back in time, just send me your ad copy and check by the closing date, and I can get started on your ad. I don't need the photographs until just before I go to the printer. Of course, the sooner I receive your ads, from the National or otherwise, the easier it is for me. If you would like to have a page or two held, just call me before the closing.

And please remember, articles on anything of interest to Bullmastiff fanciers are always welcome. If there is room, I will include it. And I hope to have a running feature on interesting license plates, so if you missed this issue, send in a photo of yours for the next.

I look forward to seeing all of you in Pennsylvania.

Chris Lezotte, Bulletin Editor

AAMODT'S BULLMASTIFFS



Am/Can Ch. Aamodt's Griffin of Ram's Gate x Ch. Aamodt's Sweet Temptation

Ch. Aamodt's La Dolce Vita (Sophia)

J. Council Parker-BOB over specials-2 pts.-Alamance KC

T. Squiciarrini-BOS over specials-3 pts.-Carolina KC

P. Thompson-BOS over specials-5 pts.-Greenville KC

J. Council Parker-BW-1 pt.-Lumberton KC

J. Cole-BOS over specials-3 pts.-Durham KC

L. Harris-BOS over specials-2 pts.-Raleigh KC

Our newest champion is a littermate to the 1995 National Specialty Winners Dog (Nexus). We expect spring litters out of Sophia and her mother, both sired by our Isaac.

Bred & Owned by Aamodt's Bullmastiffs

Co-bred by Judy Nash

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AAMODT'S BULLMASTIFFS



BIS Ch. Allstar's Mugsy Malone x Ch. Meghan the Guardman's Punch

"ISAAC"

Isaac has been kept busy on the stud front lately, but not too busy to congratulate his uncle, Am/Can Ch. Aamodt's Griffin of Ram's Gate, owned by Judy Nash, on his recent ABA supported entry BOB at Del Valle KC out West. Griffin and Isaac's mother, Ch. Meghan the Guardman's Punch, are littermates and were bred by Aamodt's Bullmastiffs. Pedigrees upon request.

Dean & Terry Aamodt

Claudette Aamodt

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SHE'S A WINNER!
J-Mar's Tankers Away Patriot



Ch. J-Mar's Traveling Man x J-Mar's Razzle Dazzle

Just like the aircraft she was named after, KC took off in a BIG way, winning her two majors from the puppy class, a four-point major at nine months of age under Judge Mr. Gerald Schwartz and a three-point major at ten months of age under Judge Mrs. Lynood-Walton. KC took time off to do some growing while her house "sister," Ch. Beowulf Little Bit of Belle, finished her championship. But KC is on the runway again, gaining top speed for her final landing as a champion herself. She is shown taking WB, BOW and BOB under Judge Mr. T'ang at Eustis, Florida.

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Little Rock, Arkansas 72206

ARROWHEAD BULLMASTIFFS



SUMMER'S HERE!

Arrowhead's Indian Summer

Ch. Evangeline's Spike x Ch. Arrowhead's Naomi

February 23, 1996

Summer's first show was really exciting. A five-point major and Best of Winners out of the Puppy Class.

Judge: Mr. Bob Moore



March 3, 1996

Summer's next five-point major was out of the 9-12 month Puppy Class.

Judge: Mrs. Barbara Heller

Thanks so much to Bob & Karen Martin for letting us use their boy Spike. It was a match made in heaven. We are all looking forward to Summer finishing her championship and growing up!

ARROWHEAD BULLMASTIFFS

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Shatrugo



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Can/Am Ch. DOX Fast Freddy of Shady Oak x Can Ch. Halocrest Diamond in the Rough

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Shatrugo

We, at Shatrugo, extend congratulations to the following dogs for their show ring success in 1995.

Can/Am Ch. Windridge Calum of Lochalsh (Robertson)

Windridge's Duncan of Glencoe (Robertson, Roberts) Canadian points

Can Ch. GraWel Windridge Rose Quartz (Roberts) Specialty Sweeps winner, Group Placer

Ch. Windridge Korik Platinum Image (Newport, Fraser, Roberts) Puppy Group winner

Can/Am Ch. Dox Spear of Loki (Crawford) Group Placer

Ch. Stonepost Trix are for Kids (Postmus, Drennen)

Can/Am Ch. Shatrugo's Come Back Lisa (McClintock)

Can/Am Ch. Shady Oak Dox Heavenly Helen (Crawford)

Can Ch. Dox Rowdy Roxy of Briarmoor (Luker) US points

Can Ch. Korik's Virtual Reality (Newport, Fraser) Group placer

Can Ch. Korik's Back to Reality (McClellan, Newport, Fraser)

Can Ch. Mikel Ranak of Leatherneck (Gladding)

AND

Special Congratulations to our 1995 Best in Show winner

Can/Am Ch. Windridge Thief of Hearts

In a limited showing campaign of only three months,
Max was the #2 Bullmastiff in Canada for 1995.

Thank you to the breeders and owners for the pleasure of handling these fine Bullmastiffs.

CH. BLAZIN'S PUMPIN' IRON



Ch. Blazin's Valhalla CD x Ch. Sojourner Queen of Soul

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OAKRIDGE BULLMASTIFFS



“PEAR”

Twelve Weeks/DOB 12/22/95

EAST

Ch. Oakridge Dream Weaver
BMF-12924G/BMF-E1154

Mildred H. Turner &
Ira C. Kaplan DVM

Anita M. Migday DVM
Framingham, MA.

MATES

The sound parents

The proud owners

International Canine Genetics
Semen Freezing Centers

WEST

Ch. Praetorian's Zachary
BMF-990G/BMF-E163

Sandy & Clark Frontin
Praetorian Bullmastiffs

Autumn Davidson DVM
Walnut Creek, CA.

“Pear” was delivered along with six equally magnificent brothers and sisters:

Casey (DeFlorio), Shiana (McCue), Dawber (Johnson), Carleton (McCann), Golly (Menard) and Quincy (Richards).

Look for them all in the breed and performance rings!

OAKRIDGE

The Thinking Bullmastiff

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Champions

Abars Za Chary Magic Twig (B) WP551611/07 (10/14/95) by Zachary Chadway of York x Ch. Abars Twiggy Magic of Bandog Breeder: Loretta Jones Owners: Joseph Jackson & Loretta Jones

Blaze Starr Dogg (B) WP524210/02 (10/8/95) by Ch. Leatherneck's Waldo of Eloc x Belle Star of Acworth Breeder/Owner: Kathryn Roberts

Brookhaven's Michelle (B) WP517876/01 (9/29/95) by Brookhaven's Sgt Pepper x Brookhaven Agnes of Atlantic Breeder/Owner: Paul Lipson

Castro's Material Girl (B) WP607363/01 (10/14/95) by Ch. Sunshine's Ain't Dat something x J-Mar's Caramello Breeder/Owner: Juan Castro

DOX Highwater Mark (D) WP495596/04 (10/8/95) by Ch. DOX Fast Freddy of Shady Oak x Ch. Ginger Snap of Waters Edge Breeders: Vicki Shipp & Bernard Baratto Owners: Dr. John & Susan Crawford

Drummonds Echo of Bluffcreek (D) WP419382/07 (10/1/95) by Ilans Nightguard of Hadrian x She's a Big Mama Cass Breeder: Vivian Triemer Owner: Kelli J. Johnsen

Griffin's Zamboni (D) WP525880/09 (10-1-95) by Praetorian Gummie Bear CD x Ch. Tigeroo Mi Lady Bear Breeder: Leslie Forster Owner: Sandra Griffin-Ellis & James Ellis Sr.

Groveland Sweet Abigail (B) WP515691/12 (10/22/95) by Avant Garde's Mass Appeal x DOX Groveland Hills Jessica Breeder: Dr. John Crawford & Janet Haering Owner: Janet Haering

Guardman's Icon of Tru Grit (D) WP551586/03 (9-30-95) by Ch. Allstar's Mugsy Malone x Ch. Meghan the Guardman's Punch Breeder: Larry Occhipinti DVM Owner: Dean Aamodt & Terry Aamodt

Ladybug Dorset at Shastid (B) WP442239/04 (10/1/95) by Ch. Bournevalleys Freemason x Ch. Ladybug Charlotte Wyn Breeders: Geraldine Roach & Jack Shastid Owners: Walter & Cynthia Bebout

Lookout's Lionheart (D) WP559826/02 (9/30/96) by Ch. Ladybug's Whiskey Mac x Ladybug Ginger Snaps Breeder: Shannon Keim Owners: Shannon Keim & Candy Welch

Magnum's Mahogany Mistress (B) WP380919/02 (9/29/95) by Magnum's Boulder Sun x Nemesis Peg of Magnum Breeders: Robert Blalock Jr. & Donnah Blalock Owners: Jeffrey & Tonya Quackenbush

McEntire's Shadow of Ironwood (B) WP501220/03 (10/15/95) by Ch. Sir Ironwoods Shadowdancer x Ch. Ironwood's Bailey's

Shastid Breeder: Lila Edwards Owners: Robert Jesseman & Lila Edwards & Deborah Jesseman
Moonshine Jim Beam (D) WP470503/04 (10/7/95) by Ch. Ladybug the Bishop x Ladybug Moonshine Lily Breeders: Sharon Moon & R.L. Guthrie Jr. & Kelly Whitfield Owners: Sharon Moon & R.L. Guthrie Jr.

Murphy Barb Eric Aibell (B) WP470503/04 (10/1/95) by Kastles Barb'Eric Obsession x Deskins Magestic Angle Breeder: Laura Babbitt Owners: Eric Long & Barbara Long

Ol West Geronimo (D) WP573575/03 (9/30/95) by Oldwell Saxon of Bournevalley x Ol West Annie Oakley Shastid Breeders: Barbara Brooks-Worrell & Jack Shastid Owners: Mark Worrell & Barbara Brooks-Worrell



Ranah's Bear Talking Eloc (B) WP572198/03 (10/1/95) by Ch. Leathernecks Grizzly x Ch. Leatherneck Gift of Gab Breeders: Angie Reese & Jean & Angela Robinson & Anita Lewis Owners: Gerald & Karen Cole & Angie Reese

Ranahs Leathernecks QT Bear (B) WP572189/11 (10/1/95) by Ch. Leathernecks Grizzly x Ch. Leatherneck Gift of Gab Breeders: Angie Reese & Jean & Angela Robinson & Anita Lewis Owners: Angie Reese & Jean Robinson & Anita Lewis

Sedentarys Tumbleweed Mesa (B) WP469673/02 (10/7/95) by Ch. Bullberry Blackslate Gene x Ch. Sedentarys One Brick Short Breeder: Kathy McAlister Owners: Robert & Liana Gifford

Shilo's Medicine Man (D) WP482389/03 (10/7/95) by Ch. Praetorian Captain Cavalry x Ch. Upper Crust Clearly a Classic Breeder: Helen Davis Owner: Kathleen Ford

Bastion's Lady Love CD (B) WP466374/04 (11-5-96) by Ch. Bastion's Restless Heart x Ch. Bastion's Fool for Your Love Breeders: Robert & Lynn Spohr Owners: Bill Simonton & Lynn & Robert Spohr

Mama's Darling Monster Moose (D) WP473557/04 (10-28-95) by Leatherneck's Mugsy Monster x Ch. Lybida Monster of Pella Sans Breeders: Karen & Russell Edwards

Owner: Elizabeth Falk

Ladybug's Sable Rose (B) WP473557/04 (11-2-95) by Ch. Ladybug Thorn of the Rose BD x Ch. Ladybug IM Rose Barrette Breeders: Candy & Fred Welch & Mary Eager Owners: Tonya Renee Jones & Candy Welch

Tauralan Wild Heart Tomboy (B) (11-12-95) by Ch. Tauralan Thomas Magnum x Annabars Tauralan Tabitha Breeder: Carol Beans Owners: Deborah Vandagriff & Taun Brooks & Marilyn DeCar

Bismark of Bullmast (D) WP494895/01 (11-11-95) by Ch. Boswell of Bullmast x Ch. Bernadette's Song of Bullmast Breeders: Patricia O'Brien & Blake O'Brien Owner: Robert Sigel

DOX Waverly Woofers (B) WP495596/03 (11-4-95) by Ch. DOX Fast Freddy of Shady Oak x Ch. Ginger Snap of Waters Edge Breeders: Vicki Shipp & Bernard Baratto Owners: John & Susan Crawford

Irongate's Zoro (D) WP508555/04 (11-11-95) Ch. Stonepost Kingslynn Tucker x Ch. Irongate's California Raisin Breeders/Owners: Lucile & Ralph Kapple

Barb'Eric's Ballistic Betty (B) WP530480/01 (7-16-95) by Ch. Dd's Barb'Eric Nitro x Ch. Barb'Eric's Jim-Dandy Mandy Breeders: EF Long & Barbara Moffat Owners: Eric Long &

Barbara Long & Tami Moffat

Blazin's Tender Teddy (D) WPWP531815/03 (11-12-95) by Ch. Blazin's Blue Max x Ch. Sojourner Queen of Soul Breeders: Tom & Roxanne LaPaglia Owners: Ray Knight & Gail Knight & Tom & Roxanne LaPaglia

Cohutta's Only the Beginning (B) WP538170/02 (11-12-95) by Ch. Leathernecks Grizzly x Ch. Leatherneck Dream Girl Breeders: Sharon Garrett & Anita Lewis & Jean Robinson Owner: Sharon Garrett

Castro's Little Mis Sunshine (B) WP567588/01 (11-3-95) by Ch. Sunshine's Ain't Dat Something x J-Mar's Caramello Breeder: Juan Castro Owner: Kevin Skow

Beethovens Belle of Bullmast (B) WP588310/01 (11-11-95) by Ch. Beethovens Fifth of Bullmast x Ch. Belle O the Ball of Bullmast Breeder: Patricia O'Brien Owner: Heidi Schlicht

Wynmeres Zorro of Ivy Hills (D) WP362647/07 (11-19-95) by Sandcastle Angus of Wynmere x Kingspine Lilipus Sugar Baby Breeder: Warren D. Haven III & Sharon Haven Owner: Richard Quinn

Clancy's Ms Bredaugh (B) WP466596/03 (11-26-95) by Bullakes Dozer x Bulwin's Frolicking Fergie Breeder: Carol Irwin Owner: Mary Sean O'Reilly

Allen's Sully of High Hill (D) WP491591/02 (11-25-95) by Doubletyme's Sailor Jack x High Hill's Sugar 'N' Spice Breeders: Barbara Shoneck & Louis Festa & Erica Galko Owners: Linda & Stephen Allen

Belringer Ttthat's All Folks (D) WP494015/01 (12-16-95) by Ch. Blackslate's Boston Brahmin x Ch. Tauralan Tara Ann Breeders: Diana Lininger & Anne Wallick Owners: Diana Lininger & Anne Wallick & Scott Pendleton DVM

Leatherneck Buffalobull Codi (D) WP519616/06 (11-18-95) by Ch. HappyLegs Luke of Hartford x Ch. Cheers Better Up the Ante Breeders: Jean & Angela Robinson & Anita Lewis Owners: Gene & Carol Kenkel

Beowulf Little Bit of Belle (B) (11-26-95) by Ch. Leatherneck Bit of HappyLegs x Ch. Leatherneck Beowulf Belle CD Breeders: Jenny Baum & Anita Lewis Owners: Janet & Charles Poulton

No Bozo's Blue Chip Jezebell (B) WP526222/01 (11-26-95) by Ch. Moon Traveler of No Bozos x Ch. Diamondwillow Satin Destiny Breeder: Sue Miller Owners: Mr. & Mrs. Kirk Loesch

Bulwerke Blackfoot's Samantha (B) WP547903/06 (12-17-95) by Ch. Aberdeen's Diesel O'Grindstone x Ch. Bullrun's Buffalo Gal Breeder: Barbara Kinter Owner: Marvin Alexander

Gailwin's Mythical Minotaur (D) WP548909/02 (12-14-95) by Ch. DOX Fast Freddy of Shady Oak x Ch. CC's Moonshadow of Gailwin CD Breeders: Jack & Jeanne Welker Owners: Frank Nosal & Madeline Nosal

Richard's Rose of Gailwin (B) WP548909/03 (12-14-95) by Ch. DOX Fast Freddy of Shady Oak x Ch. CC's Moonshadow of Gailwin CD Breeders: Jack & Jeanne Welker Owners: Richard & Cathy Wilterdink

Blackland Merrywood Duchess (B) WP549768/02 (12-10-95) by Ch. Tri-Ivory Red Rodent CD x Ch. Blazin's Blackland Duchess Breeders: Vicky & Don Topper Owners: Karen Yaszemski & Michael Yaszemski Sr.

Leatherneck HappyLegs Stonewall (D) WP558012/03 (12-15-95) by Ch. Leatherneck Bit of HappyLegs x Ch. Leatherneck Too Much Maybelline Breeders: Jean Robinson & Anita Lewis Owners: Richard Shurtliff, Michael Beyton, Alan Kalter & Chris Lezotte

Maple St's Blazin's Lioness (B) WP569124/02 (12-2-95) by Ch. Blazin's Nat King Coal x Maple St's Bell Pepper Breeder: Scott Henry Owners: Julia Kobstad & Ted Kobstad & Mary & Joe Hellmers

Mikell Ranah's of Leatherneck (D) WP572263/11 (12-10-95) by Ch. Ladybugs Handsome Sampson CD x Ch. Leatherneck Golly Miss Molly Breeders: Waine M. & Kelly Bishop Owners: Anita Lewis & Jean Robinson & Angie Reese

Briarts B Cassidy of Bullrun (B) WP578273/04 (11-26-95) by Ch. Briarts Sun Dance Kid x Bullruns Struttin Her Stuff Breeders: Susan & William Jackson Owner: Barbara Heck

Hy-Bull's If I Were a Rich Man (D) WP580923/03 (12-3-95) by Ch. Tri-Ivory Red Rodent CD x Ch. Hy-bull's Fabulous Folly Breeder/Owner: Lawrence Hyer

Bedrocks Chip of Gold Bambam (D) WP589850/01 (12-2-95) by Ch. Ladybug Tiperary Red Rustler x Ch. Trugrit's Miz Remington Breeder/Owner: Grace Legros

Two Moon's Dreamcatcher (B) WP595916/03 (12-8-95) by Ch. Dan Ridgeway Cutter x Ch. Murphy of Heavens Gate Farm Breeder/Owner: Renee Keys

Leatherneck's Macduff (D) WP597659/01 (12-1-95) by Ch. Oakens Easy Rider Bobby K x Ch. Cheers Better Up the Ante Breeders: Jean & Angela Robinson & Anita Lewis Owners: Earl & Liz Dunn

Waynoka Oklahoma von Helken (D) WP600559/05 (12-10-95) by Ch. Tri-Ivory Red Rodent CD x Ch. Melkev Pretty Woman Von Helken Breeders: Valery Hellmann & Amie Hellman Owners: V. Hellmann & Betty Schaub

Sea Star's Miss Wrinkles (B) WP466409/04 (1-7-96) by Ch. Pitman's Major x Ch. Ladybug Sea Star's Rosebud Breeders: Stanley & Jill Cohen Owners: Brad & Elaine Boland & Stanley & Jill Cohen

Sadie Hawkins of Atlas (B) WP485331/10 (1-7-96) by Ch. B-B's Red Baron x Agape's Lady of Liberty Breeders: Kathleen & Richard Ponder Owners: Kathleen Matchell & Lisa Kronsberg

Tondras Bella of Waters Edge (B) WP591102/02 (1-6-96) by Ch. Blossom's Bullwinkle x Ch. Shady Oaks Cassie CD TD Breeders: Laurie Zoecklein & Gary Anderson Owners: Bernard Baratto & Gary Anderson

Savanna's Divine Inspiration (B) WP595664/03 (1-11-96) by Ch. Whiskey Hill's Bootlegger x Ch. DOX Delta at Dawn Breeders/Owners: Craig & Nancy Zirkle

Blazin's Gone Country (D) WP671847/01 (1-6-96) by Ch. Blazin's Blue Max x Ch. Blazin's Too Legit to Quit Breeders: Miranda Kinsey & Roxanne LaPaglia & Tom LaPaglia Owners: James Lynn & Sharon Lynn & R. & T. LaPaglia

Bullruns Make My Day (D) WP494451/01 (2-10-96) by Ch. Bullrun's Beau Jangles x SJ Gidget Breeders/Owners: Bill & Susan Jackson

Noland's Wyloway Wallflower (B) WP521600/01 (2-10-96) by Ch. DOXFast Freddy of Shady Oak x Noland Zelda of Tecumseh Breeder: Martin Lee Richardson Owners: David Rock & Zoe Murphy & Martin Richardson

Nitestalker's Rhett Butler (D) WP526980/04 (1-27-96) by Ch. Blackslate's Action Jackson x Ch. Bando's Sultry Sassy Breeders: Vickie Lang & Luis Sosa Owners: Susan Weeks & Vickie Lang

Arrowhead's Grave Digger (D) WP532543/04 (1-27-96) by Ch. Blazin's Sequoia of Arrowhead x Arrowhead's Tara Tara Breeder: Pat Emerson Owners: Regina & Robert Shilstone

Seminole Desire of Arrowhead (B) WP546671/01 (1-21-96) by Ch. Bullberry Blackslate Gene x Seminole Dinah Bear Breeders: Keith Murray & Carolyn Boleman Owners: Becky Albright & Regina Shilstone

Windridge's Halocrest Murphy (D) WP546968/01 (1-14-96) by Ch. Sherwood's Berry Impressive x Ch. Halocrest's Steel Magnolia Breeders: Paula & Steve Roberts Owners: Gord & Laurie McLaren & Morgan & Gary Linton

Darkover Beautiful in My I's (B) WP575779/01 (1-14-96) by Ch. HappyLegs Luke of Hartford x Ch. HappyLegs First Lady of Darkover Breeders: Jude E. Newton & Chris Lezotte & Alan Kalter Owner: Jude E. Newton

J-Mar's Flamboyant Mystic (D) WP442568/03 (3-9-96) by Ch. J-Mar's Traveling Man x Ch. J-Mar's Wonder Babe Breeders: Jerry & Marjorie Tackett Owners: Jan & Richard Miller & Jerry Tackett

DOX Zeus on the Loose (D) WP457534/04 (2-25-96) by Ch. DOX Fast Freddy of Shady Oak x Ch. Shady Oak Dox Heavenly Helen Breeders: John & Susan Crawford Owner: Earl Gatch II

Allstar's Marco Polo (D) WP460954/04 (2-24-96) by Ch. Allstar's Terry Thomas x Allstar's Blossom Dearie Breeder: Mimi Einstein Owners: Donald & Charlene Notaro

Trident's La Bella Luna (B) WP477873/07 (3-8-96) by Ch. Evangeline's Spike x Ch. Evangeline's Ivy O Cresta Breeder/Owner: Karen Martin

Shatrugo's Come Back Liza (B) WP500547/01 (2-24-96) by DOX Shatrugo Lancaster x Blackslate Shatrugo's Raven Breeders: Pam McClintock & Virginia Rowland Owner: Jennifer McClintock

Jaycasey's Maxine the Queen (B) WP506316/08 (3-3-96) by Ch. Allstar's Terry Thomas x Jaycasey's Mindy Sue Breeder: Kathleen Cunningham Owners: Rolissa & Myles Nash

Solstice Nemo's Teddy Bear (D) WP506935/04 (3-8-96) by Ch. Solstice Captain

Nemo x Ch. Bandog's Summer Solstice
Breeder: Susan Weeks Owner: Curtis
Sutherland

HappyLegs Blue Christmas (D)
WP508336/10 (3-3-96) by Ch. HappyLegs Bruce
of Kinloch x Ch. HappyLegs Kinloch's Miss Dot
Breeders: James & Dorothy Horn & Alan Kalter
& Chris Lezotte Owners: Louis & Joyce
Nicholson & A. Kalter & C. Lezotte

Sandcastle's Meatloaf Marde (D)
WP534053/01 (3-9-96) by Ch. Larlin's
Scandalous Bruno x Ch. Sandcastle's
Showstopper Breeders: Michelle Sanborn &
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WP547903/08 (2-26-96) by Ch. Aberdeen's
Diesel O'Grindstone x Ch. Bullrun's Buffalo Gal
Breeder: Barbara Kinter Owner: Loretta Jones

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WP551586/04 (3-2-96) by Ch. Allstar's Mugsy
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Breeder: Larry Occhipinti DVM Owner: Pam
Carter

D'Lite's My Kind of Girl O'Cam (B)
WP567433/08 (2/26/96) by Tailwynde's Cat
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Johnson Owners: Mike Cameron & Don Jiles

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(3-9-96) by Upper Crust's Gorbachocolate x
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Immerblum Owner: Ricardo Verduzco

Bullrun's Precious Gem (B) WP580126/02
(3-10-96) by Ch. Bullrun's Beau Jangles x Ch.
Bullrun's Cinder Ella Breeders: Susan & William
Jackson Owners: Renate Woodward & Robert
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Turley's Willy Times Two (D) WP580393/02
(2-27-96) by Ch. Abar Big Bad Butchy Boy x Ch.
Turley's Lotty Love of York Breeder: Gerald
Turley Owner: Karen Turley

L'Amour's Echo Sackett (B) WP582943/01
(2-23-96) by Ch. L'Amour's Tory Fletchen x
Noble Boss Sweetpea of Geste Breeder/Owner:
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Crossbows Virginia Dare (B) WP585830/11
(2-28-96) by Ch. Ramz's Crossbow Benjamin x
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Coyote Creek's Smoky Da'Bear (D)
WP596602/02 (3-3-96) by Ch. Leathernecks
Grizzly x Bastion-CC's Brndl Valentine Breeder:
Carolyn Crawford Golden Owners: Robert &
Lynn Spohr & Hugh & Carolyn Golden

Maxims Polonius Rebel (D) WP599474/06
(3-2-96) by Ch. Ironwood's the Other Man x
Ch. Hanna of Country Corners Breeder:
Linda Walton & Bill Brookings Owners: Mark
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Companion Dogs

Quail Havens Red Penny Rocca (B)
WP547958/02 (10-15-95) by Roderics Thunder
Rolls x Roccas Bubba Babbett Hamlock
Breeder: Toinette Rocca Owner: Amy Vining

Keeper's Anne Bonney (B) WP428079/04
(11-12-95) by Ch. Blackslate's Rowdy
Desperado x Keeper's Angel She Ain't
Breeders: Cletus & Anne Lewis Owner: Shirley
Laflamme

Ch. Bastion's Golden Hind (D)
WP440815/04 (10-28-95) by Ch. Bastion's Bully

Bridand CD x Ch. Bastion's Canadian Myst CD
Breeders/Owners: Robert & Lynn Spohr

Linmoor's Roxanne (B) WP377484/05 (12-
15-95) by Buck's Tank x Champagne's Justice
Breeders: Joe Baltierrez & Tracy Eichler
Owner: Melissa Bausman

Greenmont's Taconic Will (D)
WP458318/06 (11-25-95) by Tailwynde's Bart
Simpson x Ch. Danchelsea's Haggas Jeannie
CDX Breeder/Owner: Vickie Dahlin

Ch. Gatekeepers Princess Bailey (B)
WP528867/06 (1-28-96) by Ch. Gatekeeper TW
Caesar x Bonnies Princess Sable Ann Breeder:
Stacy Berry Owner: Stephanie Evans

Duffy (D) ILP79553 (3-10-96) by Unknown x
Unknown Breeder: Unknown Owner: Christine
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Companion Dogs Excellent

Shady Oak's Velvet Hammer CD (D)
WP385349/05 (11-12-95) by Ch. Banstock
Smart Alex x Ch. Dox I Potato II of Shady Oak
Breeder: Pamela Kochuba Owner: Kim Sanders

Ch. Bastion's Red Haute Annie CD (B)
WP472139/02 (10-28-95) by Ch. Blackslate's
Action Jackson x Ch. Bastion Canadian Myst CD
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Novice Agility

Jj's Good Luck Rossington (D)
WP396603/08 (3-9-96) by Sir Rocky Black x Jj's
Good Deal Lucille Breeder: James Jolley
Owners: Suzette Jolley & Dan Heskett

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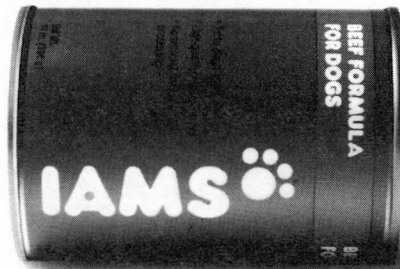
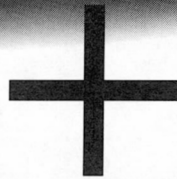
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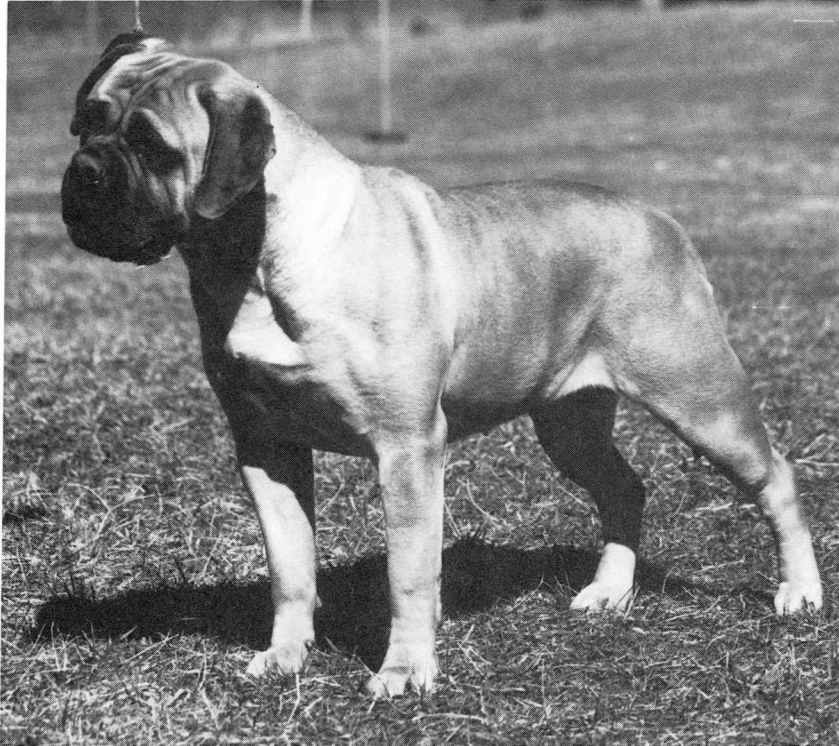
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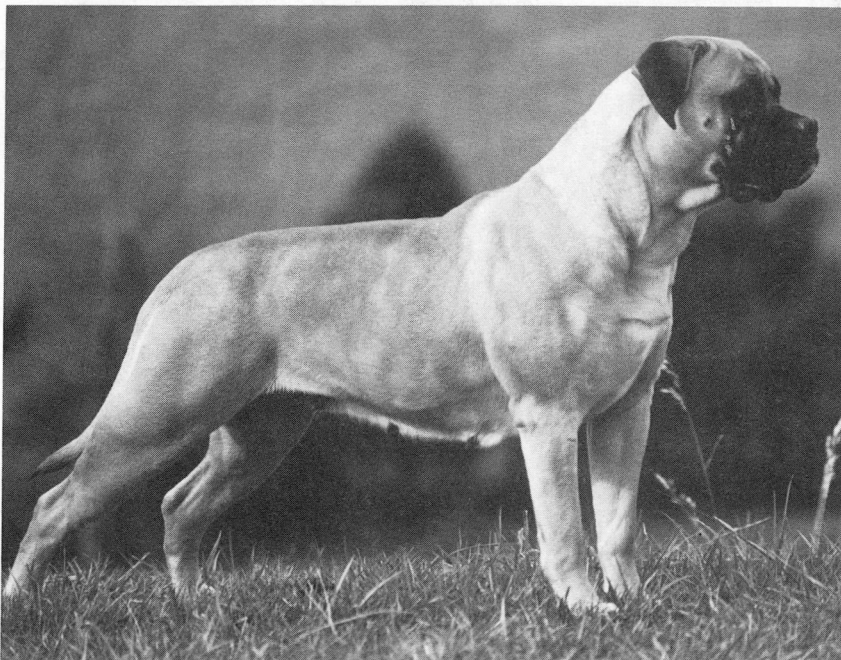
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Ch. Leathernecks Grizzly ROM x Ch. Leatherneck's Gift of Gab CGC, TDI

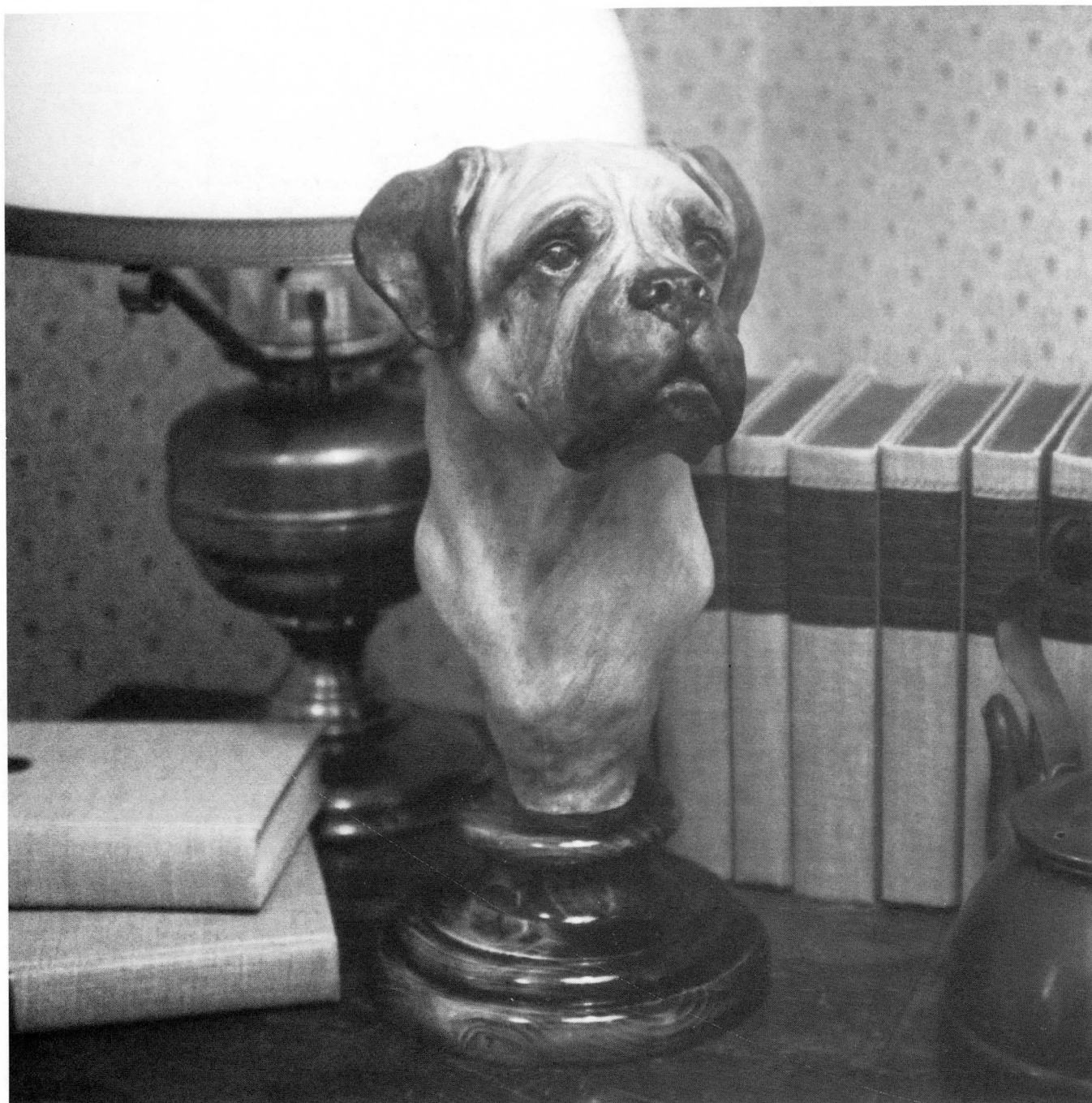
Snuggles won all but her last two points from the puppy classes. She possesses beautiful type along with absolutely gorgeous movement. Watch for her in the "specials ring" where she will be shown on a limited basis, before retiring to become an important addition to our breeding program.

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While exploring the "World Wide Web," I came across these two very informative articles about the breed on the home page of a Canadian fancier, Mike Kelter. They are reprinted here with his permission. If anyone knows the author of either of these, please contact Mike at mkelter@direct.ca so that the writers may be given proper credit. For more Bullmastiffs on the "Net," try starting with http://www.zmall.com/pet_ds/bullmastiffs.html

The Public and Private Image of the Bullmastiff

How is the public image of the Bullmastiff formed? By you and your dog at home; when the meter man comes to the door; when you travel; when you are invited to the home of friends; when he is left in the car while you show; when you walk along a crowded street; when the neighbor's child trips over him in the doorway; when he soils the neighbor's lawn or chases his cat.

Much as we wish the public were soundly and correctly educated on the subject of dogs and dog behavior, it is not. Individuals usually form their opinion of an entire breed on the basis of one or two specimens.

Will it be a bad image? "You know that Bullmastiff next door? I didn't even know what it was until the guy told me. Well, last week we woke up one night because the dog was really barking. My wife nudges me and says, 'Ed, you'd better go downstairs and take a look around.' I thought it was ridiculous; I mean it was probably a cat and it was also the middle of the night, but I got up and went down. And you know, the police caught a guy practically right between our houses about twenty minutes later. If that dog hadn't barked, I never would have known it until he was inside. Nice dog to have around. You can go right up to him, too."

What image do you and your Bullmastiff present to the general public? We all have the responsibility to keep our dogs on our own property; to keep them on leash, or under control on the street; to prevent damage to the person or property of others. We take this for granted. But remember that the Bullmastiff is conspicuous. No one worries about the Pomeranian down the street that runs loose. However, if the neighbor's dog picks a fight with your dog, you can be certain that rightly or wrongly, your Bullmastiff will be blamed. He is large and powerful, and he does have a way of confronting people with a sober stare that makes them recollect their sins.

What do you do? You and your dog build a sound, sensible reputation in your community. You keep him securely at home; away from potential dognappers, the neighbors' garbage cans, cat and flower beds, from teasing children and car wheels. He remains in your home and on your property, where he can be a companion and protection for you.

When your dog goes out with you, he is always under calm, confident control; he appears eager and enthusiastic to work; he greets properly introduced strangers politely; he is a healthy, well-groomed representative of generations of Bullmastiff breeding. And then when your neighbor complains that his dog was injured, he'll hear "Oh, it couldn't have been his dog that did it. He is never allowed to run, and besides, he's the nicest, most well-behaved dog that you have ever seen."

While you study your dog in those situations, study yourself. What is your basic attitude toward your dog? Aloof or affectionate? Reserved or exuberant? Patient or impatient? Firm or permissive? What are your physical and emotional strengths and limitations?

When you have laid a foundation of perspective and understanding, you are ready to build a working relationship. Training can be classified in two ways, intentional and unintentional. Intentional training is practiced at formal obedience classes and at home; ie, putting on a leash, practicing specific commands and responses. Unintentional training includes all the things that you have taught your dog without realizing; ie, to recognize your moods, to interpret unconscious gestures and changes in voice tone, to respond positively or negatively. He probably knows these things better than you do yourself. His security depends on it.

Intentional training in most cases averages ten of fifteen minutes a day on leash, and an hour a week in formal training class. Unintentional training goes on 24 hours a day. The unintentional training, the attitude you demonstrate toward your dog all the time, not just on lead practicing set routines, will make or break the intentional training you give him.

Successful training will depend on your ability to train yourself to be calm, firm, consistent and persistent. Every time you tell your dog to sit, no matter what else distracts you or him, you must see that he sits...calmly and firmly and always with praise, no matter how much of a struggle it was. Every time you call him, you must be in a position to enforce it, calmly, pleasantly and with much praise. Your must never command him to come and then punish him and so on. Consistency is the key to success.

The working relationship with your dog should be based upon mutual respect, understanding and perspective. A dog is a dog, he thinks,

acts and learns like a dog. He learns through cause and effect, pleasure and displeasure and constant repetition. What is your leverage as his trainer? His desire to please you. Motivate him positively and consistently and he will become respondent and obedient.

Many people hesitate to obedience train their dogs

because they associate discipline with harsh and vindictive punishment. It is true that some dogs can be forced to carry out commands through fear of punishment. Generally speaking, however, this is not the way to gain your dog's trust and loyalty.

Proper discipline is the establishment of guidelines, boundaries which encompass a range of acceptable behavior patterns for your dog. Correction should always be appropriate to the mistake; a flip of the leash when he lags behind; a sharp no nonsense jerk if he lunges at the dog next to him. Save the crack across the muzzle for the really serious things such as unwarranted fighting, chasing cars, etc. Harsh corrections in most cases only confuse and panic the dog so that he is no longer capable of learning from the situation.

Remember that if the dog makes a mistake nine times out of ten it will be because you have not indicated properly and consistently what you want him to do. You may have to show him ten, twenty or thirty times before he understands. Correction is only a preliminary step in the training process. Real training begins when you show him what to do; ie, when you substitute a correct behavior pattern for an incorrect one.

The best trainers are habitually observant people, constantly aware of reaction and response between themselves and their dogs. For the most part, they are calm and unexcitable when confronted with unpredictable behavior and confident in their ability to control the dog and confident in the dog's potential to understand if correctly approached.

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On the Net

Unique breed characteristics need to be taken into consideration. Though playful enough as a puppy, the Bullmastiff often takes a rather serious, somber attitude toward training as he matures. He likes to work and concentrates hard on a new exercise for a given interval. However, once he learns it, he will become bored and lackadaisical if the exercise is not applied in a variety of utilitarian ways. Be certain, when you train, that what you may interpret as stubbornness is not really boredom.

The only way to build a complete working relationship is to clearly define your training objectives and to study your dog and yourself in order to adapt your training program to your specific strengths and limitations, to gain the respect and understanding of your dog by following through in both the intentional and unintentional training that you give him. Be innovative enough with your training to give him a *raison d'être*. The entire focus of his life should be to go with you, be with you and work with you. If he fails to learn, it is not because he lacks the intelligence, but because you have failed to teach him.

The life of a properly trained dog is filled with purpose. He is confident and relaxed because he lives within a framework of consistent guidelines. He reacts positively to new situations because his owner has taken care to expose him to a variety of experiences and to build his confidence through a series of positive responses. He receives more approval and praise than corrections, because good behavior patterns have been instilled before bad ones could form.

Once the working relationship has been established, it will never be forgotten. Though you and your dog may be separated for many years, he will remember and respond with his last conscious breath when he turns toward you and his eyes ask "*Was the job well done?*"

The Large Dog and Children

1. Do not allow the child, however small, to tease the dog either physically or verbally. The child who shrieks and leaps incessantly beside a nervous puppy may drive him to snap out in fear as quickly as the child who grabs its tail or sits on it. If a child is persistent, remove him. Do not even once allow him to continue.
2. Do not let a small child pick up or carry a puppy. Puppies like babies are afraid of falling. They will often squirm and fight to free themselves. If successful, they may break a leg. If panicked they may even bite. Remember, in this case, it is not the puppy's fault but yours for allowing the situation to progress to where the puppy can no longer cope with it. Encourage the child to get down on the puppy's level, ie, the floor, for fun and games. They can play all they like without either one getting hurt and the puppy is free to move away when he has had enough. A child may not realize the fact that he has inadvertently cornered the pup and set in motion a series of instinctive behavior mechanisms.
3. Do not expect the pup to absorb endless punishment in the form of constant noise or teasing. He will learn to defend himself unless he has some place to go such as a crate, bed, corner or run where he can go when he does not want to be disturbed. Make certain that everyone understands that he is not to be disturbed there and then make sure he is not. He will come back out when he is ready.
4. Do not leave your dog unattended in the yard with small children no matter how trustworthy you may think your dog is. Although Bullmastiffs enjoy children more so than many other breeds, they are not a miracle dog and must be treated the same as any other large dog when around children. A dog may not mean to hurt a child, yet it usually seems to turn out the other way.
5. Do not buy a dog until you have a fence for him outside where he can be safe from a) Teasing by small children b) Dognappers c) Stray dogs d) Mishaps on the road. Dogs which are tied become defensive, bored and irritably aggressive. A fence is convenient, durable and safe.
6. Enlist the help of your child in the training of the dog. It will increase his sense of self importance and his knowledge of animal behavior. "If Max wakes up, take him outside right away so he won't make a mistake in the house. You watch, Billy, in case I don't notice, OK?"
7. Do insist that neighborhood children who come to play abide by the same rules that you expect of your own. "Stuart, we don't hit Max with sticks. Here, throw it for him instead. Look how happy he is now! I think he likes you." If Stuart delivers a sly kick instead, stop him. (A little knowledge of gentle collar control is useful with children, as well as dogs.) Put the dog in his run or crate and see to it that Stuart leaves him alone. If Stuart is uncooperative, send him home, nicely but firmly. If you get angry, he will be angry and defiant, too. When he learns that he simply cannot play at your house if he continues, he will probably stop if he feels that you basically like him and that it is only his specific action that you dislike. Here again, take two minutes to give the child and the dog something constructive to do. Let the child have the opportunity to receive a warm response from the dog and he may become your staunchest ally. "Hey Mrs. Jones, I just saw Max down the street. Someone must have left the gate open."
8. Do teach the dog to sit before he is given food or a treat, and to wait for an okay to take it. The Bullmastiff pup will grow quicker than your toddler. If the sit-stay becomes automatic, you will find him sitting before a baby with food, hoping but never touching. Parents of visiting children are less than understanding when your 75 lb pup grabs for a cookie and their child goes tumbling. Many fears of dogs are traced back to just such an incident. Never allow a small child to take the pup's food as this could create a problem when the pup has grown into adulthood.
9. Do give your Bullmastiff simple obedience training so that he will be spared random scoldings and confusion. "DOWN" and "SIT" are pleasant commands to a pup if they are rewarded with a brushing or a tummy rub by his young master.
10. Don't expect the dog to be patient with your child unless you have taught him to be. He will learn to not defend himself if he realizes you consistently rescue him before he gets hurt. Conversely you must teach the small child to be patient with the dog. Don't reinforce his fears if he inadvertently takes a tumble by telling him what a big, mean naughty dog that is. Be matter of fact, pick him up and say "Here, help me teach Max to be more gentle." Help the child learn to cope with the situation, reinforce his confidence with small things he can handle, and be there to handle a situation that proves to be more than he can control.
11. Do not expose an innocent passerby to your dog's protective tendencies. Do not leave your Bullmastiff and your small child outside a store and expect them to take care of each other. Some well intentioned stranger may be bitten. Even though your dog may do exactly what you wish him to do under different circumstances, he will be the one put down while you face an expensive lawsuit. Never assume that the public understands dog behavior. The fool who puts his hands inside your car or the boy who pokes at the dog through a fence obviously do not, but you may end up paying the doctor bills.
12. Do increase your child's sense of responsibility and pride of achievement by letting him help as much as he can. Do not expect him to know what to do. Guide him. "Here is Max's dish, Billy, tell him to come. that's it, now tell him to sit. (You help Max sit. He is just learning that he must also obey Billy). Good, now put the dish down. Tell him okay. There, see how nicely he obeyed you!" Billy will leave with the distinct impression that he is the world's smartest dog trainer and that his dog is the smartest dog on the block.

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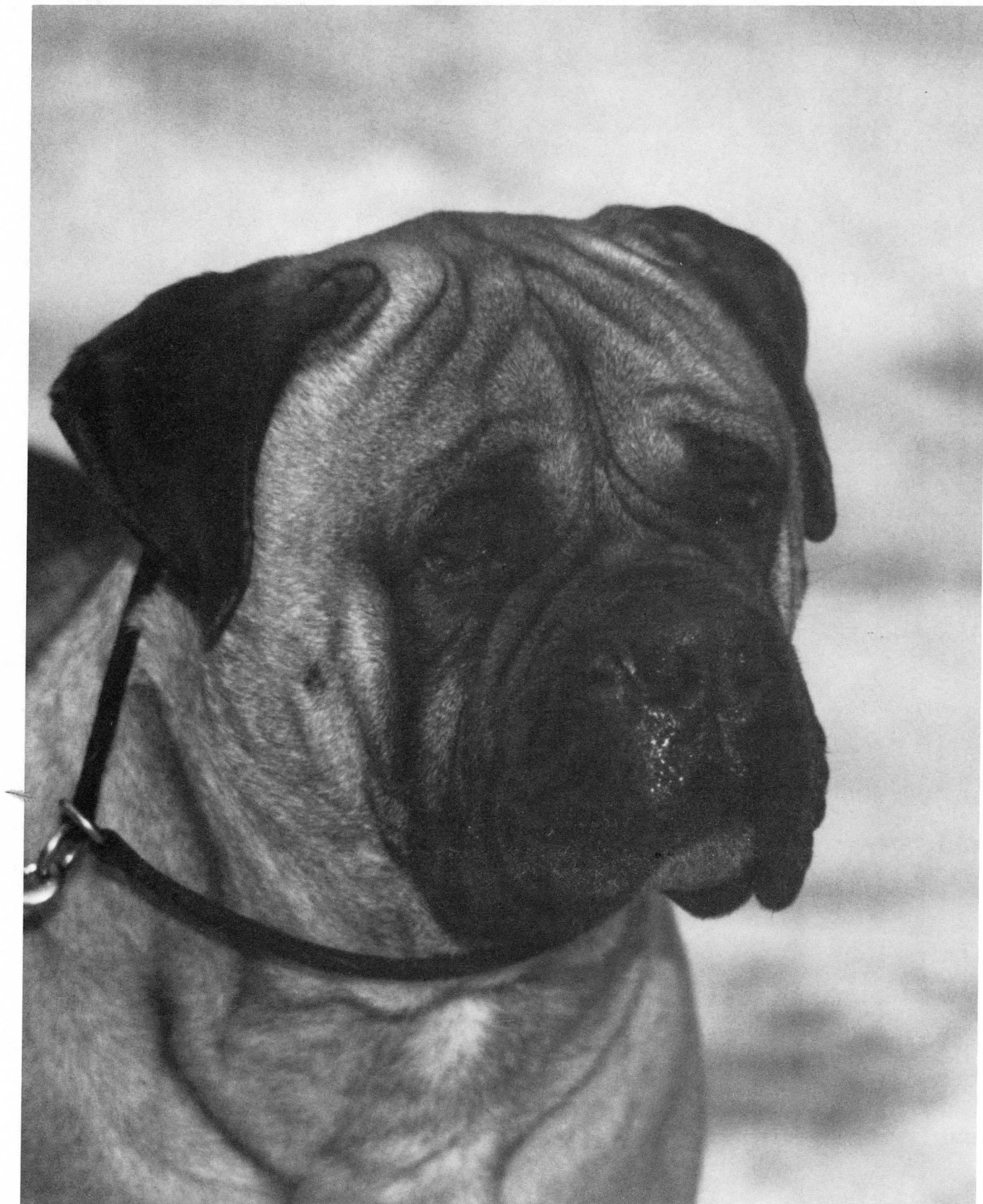
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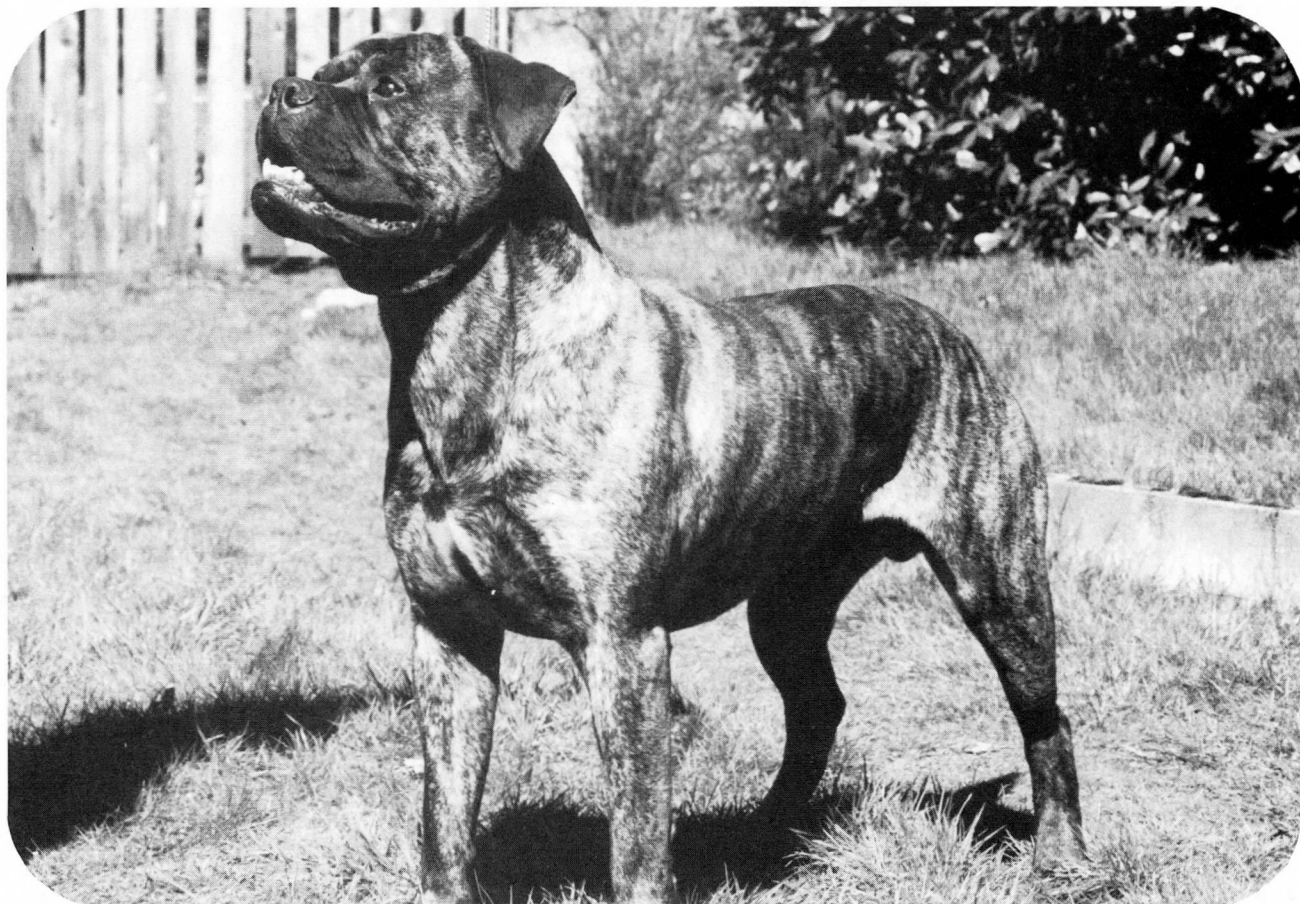
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Brodie is available to approved bitches of merit. Banbury anticipates two litters of puppies this summer with the breeding of two "Keeper" daughters (Can. Ch. BIS. BISS. Am. Ch. BISS. Shayla's Keeper Alargh Ddu) . Shayla's Whisper O'Banbury will be bred to "Brodie" in April and Ch. Banbury's AmInot Adorabull will be bred to Can. Am. Ch. Shayla's Magic Merlin in May. Photos and pedigrees available upon request.

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BEST IN *Show*

Am/Can Ch. Shady Oak DOX Fetching Frieda, owned by Dr. John & Susan M Crawford, was awarded Best in Show on December 3, 1995 at the Beaufort Kennel Club in Savannah, Georgia under Judge E. D. Kirk. She was awarded Best of Breed by Judge Eleanor Evers; the Group judge was Helen Miller Fisher.

This was Frieda's fifth all-breed Best in Show (3 USA, 2 Canada). She was handled to this win by Carlos Puig. Frieda was bred by Dr. John and Susan Crawford and Pamela Kochuba, out of Ch. Tundra's Pinewood Baron x Ch. DOX I Potato II of Shady Oak.



BEST IN *Show*

Am/Can Ch. DOX Waters Redrover Redrover was awarded Best in Show on May 5, 1996 at the Badger Kennel Club in Madison, Wisconsin, under Judge George Taylor. Best of Breed was awarded by Judge Dorothy Hutchinson; the Group judge was Geraldine Taylor.

This was Rover's first Best in Show, and as always, he was owner-handled by Lee Waters.

Rover was bred by Linda Johnson out of Ch. DOX Fast Freddy of Shady Oak x Ch. Aamodt's Apple Blossom. He is owned by Cindi and Lee Waters and Dr. John and Susan Crawford. He was whelped on July 25, 1993.





BEST IN Show

Ch. Leathernecks Grizzly, bred by Anita Lewis and Naomi Brooks and owned by Anita Lewis, was awarded Best in Show on Sunday, January 28, 1996 at the Greater Orange Park Dog Club, Green Cove, Florida. The Best in Show was awarded by Judge E. R. Sledzik. The Group judge was Ken Buxton; the Breed was awarded by Donna Buxton. Grizzly was handled to this win by Tim Gaines.

This was Grizzly's second Best in Show. He is out of Ch. Blackslate's Boston Brahmin x Leatherneck Christy, and was whelped on November 6, 1991.

The Bulletin welcomes stories and articles from ABA members. The following was submitted by Zelma Kilgore, as a warning not only to Bullmastiff owners, but to owners of all dogs.

Latex Toys Are Dangerous

Amos was lying on the floor beside my chair, chewing on his favorite latex toy, an eight inch long ostrich with spikes to simulate feathers on the body. As I watched him, I realized he was becoming too enthusiastic with his chewing and the toy was covered with saliva. I thought it was time that I took it from him for a while. As I reached to retrieve it, he decided not to give it up, and before I could stop him, he had swallowed it.

I immediately called the vet, who told me not to worry; it would most likely pass on through him. Several days went by, and each day as I cleaned the yard, I looked for evidence that the toy had indeed passed on through Amos. No evidence was found.

I talked to the vet again. He said not to worry; it sometimes takes some time for something foreign to leave the stomach. He asked about Amos's appetite and bowel movements, which were

normal thus far. Another week went by with no sign of the toy. I spoke to the vet twice during that week.

It had been two and a half weeks since Amos had swallowed the toy when he began to vomit. Twice he vomited up a part of the body, but he was now refusing to eat or drink, I forced water into him, but he absolutely wouldn't eat anything. The next morning he vomited up the feet and legs of the toy. The head and neck and a part of the body were still unaccounted for. The vet said we needed to do an endoscopic exam to determine if the rest of the

toy was still in Amos's stomach, so he sent us to another veterinarian who had the equipment for this procedure.

Before subjecting Amos to this exam, an x-ray picture was taken. The x-ray showed plainly that there was a blockage in the

small intestine, so we were sent back to our regular vet for surgery to remove the blockage. Our vet said that the spikes which simulated feathers were what kept the toy from going through the intestine. They stuck like velcro.

With lots of TLC, Amos recovered quickly, but you can be assured that he will have no more latex toys. I have learned that the only toy big enough to be safe for a Bullmastiff is a frisbee.

BULLMASTIFF

Tales

Is your Bullmastiff in shape for the National? The following addresses a problem many in our breed don't want to face, the tendency of our dogs to be overweight and under exercised. It is taken from an article written by Deborah Lawson and appeared in the June 2, 1995 issue of Dog News. It is reprinted here with their permission.

PROPER WEIGHT IS MORE THAN A FAD, EVEN AMONG CANINES

Many judges have told me that they encounter animals that have three strikes against their success in the ring, and worse, their longevity, because of overweight, and in a few cases, under-feeding to keep them within a breed or class weight limit.

One judge said, "Owners spend a fortune for entry fees, handlers, photographs, advertising and travel and then forget that, whether they live with the handler or at home, it's the owner's responsibility to see that the dog is in the best possible health. Noticeable overweight and under-nutrition are signs that immediate action should be taken."

The good health of competing, pet and retired canines depends on daily exercise and a trim figure with the proper musculature for the breed. Everyone reading this article knows one should reduce the number of daily calories an overweight dog is fed. Too often, they do nothing about it, especially if the dog stays with the handler and does enough winning. Since too much or far too little weight compromise the dog's life over the long term, this could be called a form of animal cruelty.

NO RULE OF THUMB

There's no rule of thumb about how many ounces, cupfuls or calories one should feed a dog of a certain weight, though recommendations frequently are found on dog food packages. Some animals, like their owners, become obese on very little food; others require more than the stated amount. A canine couch potato obviously needs less than one of the same size and bone structure that "works out" all day. Even littermates may vary in their food requirements. Older dogs generally should be fed less, since metabolism declines with age.

At the present time, when many show dogs spend several days a week traveling and several more at shows, they actually get very little sustained exercise. Trotting around a postage-stamp sized ring doesn't constitute aerobic exercise, burn calories, build muscles or create a defense against degenerative skeletal diseases. Proper exercise probably strengthens or at least fends off deterioration of the immune system.

Veterinarians report that 50 to 60 percent of their patients suffer increased risk of heart disease, skeletal problems, diabetes, lowered resistance to infections and other life-shortening ailments as a result of overfeeding and little activity. Surrounded by expert handlers and groomers, who truly love and indulge them, they may be improperly fed and over or under exercised. Though pets of all ages are affected, older dogs are more inclined to obesity and more threatened by it. Somewhat reducing the number of calories consumed and increasing activity levels can keep them at proper weight and vigor. Dogs that resent a cutback in the quantity of their rations can be fed special "low calorie" diets.

IDEAL WEIGHT?

Ideal weight varies even among specimens of the same breed and height, since bone structure and other factors make what's fat for one quite right for another. Show judges are repelled when they place their

hands on or look at an exhibit with a xylophone of ribs or rolls of fat.

GETTING BACK IN SHAPE

Several steps can be taken for under and overweight dogs. How about reducing the show schedule? Will the world collapse if you own the fourth ranked rather than the first ranked working dog? A dog's rank in the ratings won't change its genetics or the way it contributes to its breed. That is what the dog game is intended for, isn't it?

When you decide to get your currently campaigned, retired or pet dog back in shape, start with a complete veterinary checkup to rule out weight gain or loss caused by disease. Obese animals often have liver, kidney or heart ailments, triggered by their eating habits. These patients require special diets and/or medication.

If the vet says the dog is moderately obese or underweight, and a good candidate for reduced or increased rations, adjust the daily caloric intake from a complete and balanced pet food by 25%, eliminate all pet treats and human food. If there has been no weight loss or gain by the end of two weeks, cut or add to the diet. Weight gain or loss should be slow and steady. Expect plateaus when nothing happens. The vet may advise other types of weight reduction and gain protocols, including special commercial diets, when the problem is serious.

Large dogs should not lose more than a pound a week. Put weight on just as gradually. Rations and exercise for old, very under or overweight dogs must be carefully undertaken and medically monitored.

JUST THE FACTS, MA'AM

Weigh the animal once a week throughout its life to check pounds lost and gained. Weighing and manually checking the ribs should be done both at home and when on the campaign trail. Any considerable or sudden change in weight could be a sign of disease.

As it must be with you and me, maintaining proper weight is a lifelong responsibility. Our dogs do not live the lives of their ancestors. Like our human forebears, many of these animals worked physically hard. They were not offered sugary, fatty canine treats.

EXERCISE

Fat or thin, dogs need daily exercise throughout their lives. After the owner, handler or other caretaker and the pet have a medical OK, start with very low-

level activity and work up gradually. A handler who takes on a new client's dog shouldn't put it on a treadmill until it's used to such activity.

Owners of previously inactive canines should start the exercise program by walking them on a leash for two to four 15 minutes periods a day at a slow pace. Gradually increase the distance and pace. As stamina increases, add running and fetching games suited to the breed.

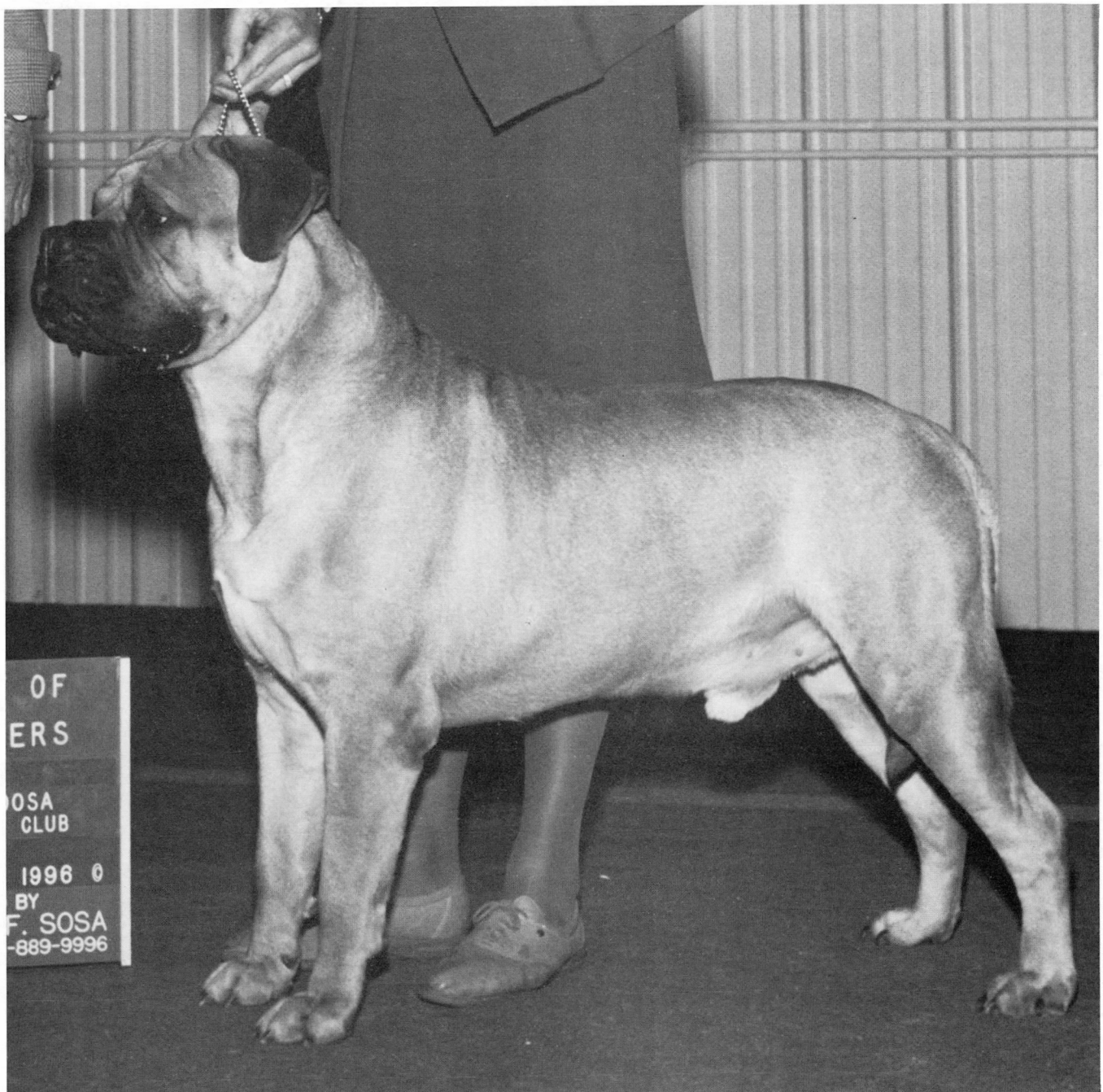
It does not suffice that the dog is out in a very big run or paddock all day. As it is with humans, some will run around and be constantly active. Others will lie down and snooze until it's time to eat again. Older dogs particularly need to be encouraged to walk.

YOU ALREADY KNOW THIS, BUT, JUST IN CASE...

Though you should weigh the dog, it's even more useful to test for over or underweight with your hands. Stand behind the canine, place both thumbs side-by-side on the spine above the chest with fingers spread over the rib cage. With thumbs pressing on the spine and fingers on ribs, slide the hands gently back and forth.

For a dog in proper weight, you should feel a moderately thin layer of fat. Visibly protruding bones indicate the animal is too thin. When a cushion of fat hides the edges of the ribs, which gives the chest a smooth, wavy feel, it's probably too fat. It should be fed less and exercised more after veterinary examination.





Ch. HappyLegs Blue Christmas

Ch. HappyLegs Bruce of Kinloch x Ch. HappyLegs Kinloch's Miss Dot

"Bucky" went down to the new "Old South" circuit to begin his show career, and came home a champion! He finished in just nine shows with four majors and 18 points, which included two four-point majors and two five-pointers.

Bucky is a very sound, substantial dog with a beautiful front, level topline and dead-level mouth. We co-bred Bucky with Jim & Dorothy Horn of Plymouth, Michigan and co-own him with Lou & Joyce Nicholson of Monroe, Michigan. Our thanks to our incredible handler Norma Gibson-Smith for turning a very green beginner into a polished show dog in just over one week of showing.

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Ch. HappyLegs Chloe

Ch. HappyLegs Bruce of Kinloch x Ch. HappyLegs Kinloch's Miss Dot

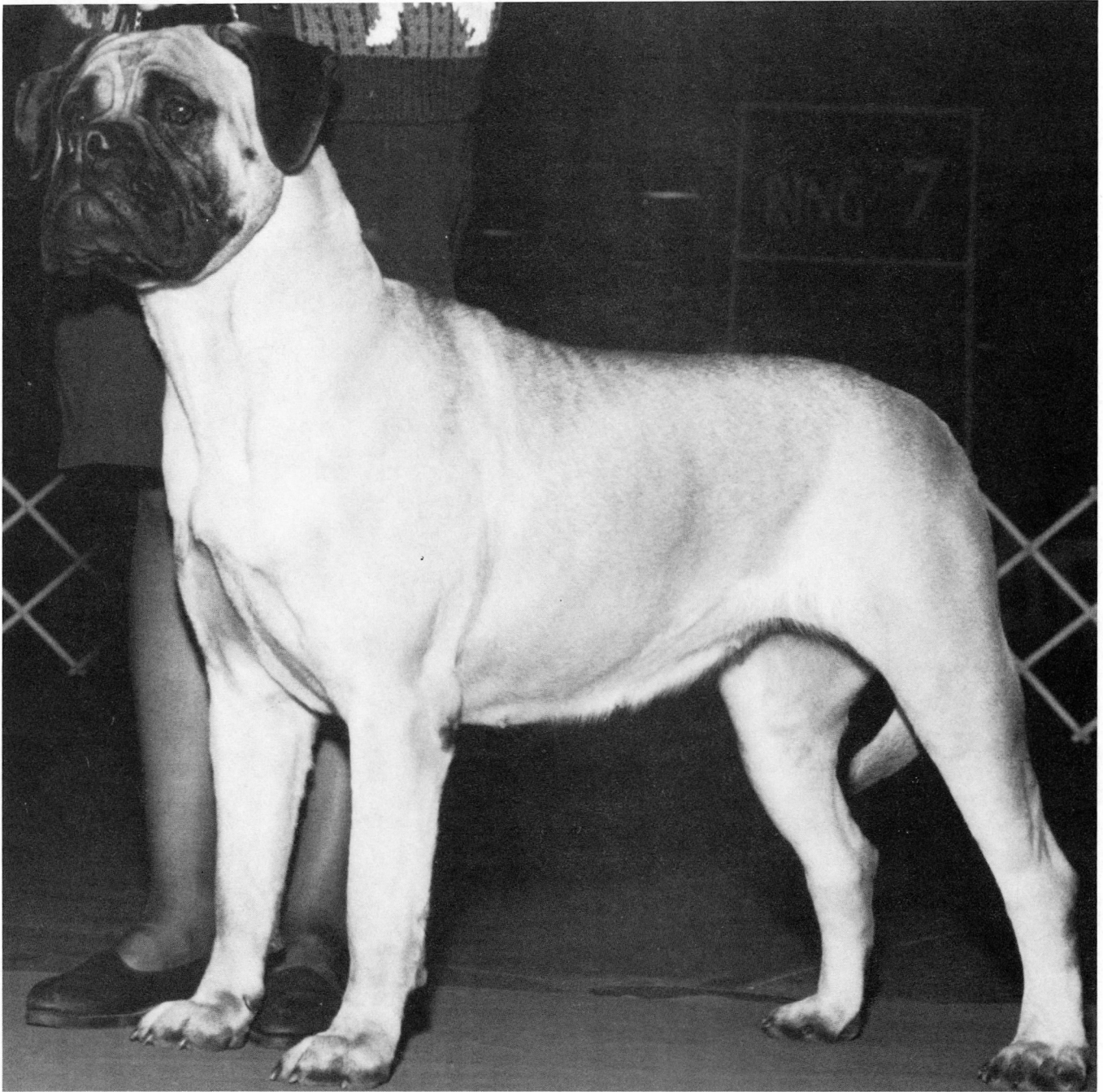
"Chloe" came to stay with us for two months and picked up 14 points including two four-point majors. She went home to Evanston, Illinois to have a litter out of Ch. Leathemeck Bit of HappyLegs, then came back to the show ring just five weeks later and finished her championship the first day of the Chicago International Cluster.

Chloe is a delightful bitch with a short, straight back, beautiful front and level mouth. We co-bred Chloe with Jim & Dorothy Horn of Plymouth, Michigan, and co-own her with Bill & Sonja Reid of Evanston. Our congratulations to them on their new litter, and on their new champ.

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Ch. HappyLegs Rin Tin Lizzie

Ch. HappyLegs Bruce of Kinloch x Ch. HappyLegs Kinloch's Miss Dot

"Lizzie" completed her championship with three majors. Although her littermates Bucky and Chloe finished very easily, Lizzie was, for want of a better word, a challenge. Not for lack of merit, mind you, but for her total disinterest in performing in the show ring. Lizzie is a very sound bitch with a short, straight back and strong rear. Her personality combines utter sweetness with the independence of spirit (sometimes known as stubbornness!) Bullmastiffs are known for.

Lizzie needed just one point to finish when she took time off to have a beautiful litter out of Ch. HappyLegs Chief Catherwood; she returned to the ring 12 weeks later to complete her championship. Perhaps motherhood was what she needed all along! We co-bred Lizzie with Jim & Dorothy Horn, and co-own her with Norma Gibson-Smith.

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Ch. HappyLegs Fair Nichole

Ch. Shady Oak Fair Warning x Ch. HappyLegs Misty Blue ROM

"Niki" finished her championship with three majors, the first two from the Bred by Exhibitor class, the last a five-point major from a very large open class at the very large Louisville Kennel Club show. Niki is a very sound, short-backed girl with a topline like a table and beautiful movement. Her temperament is a delight. We co-bred and co-own Niki with Marianna Strehl of Romeo, Michigan. Niki is the sixth champion out of her dam Misty, who also makes her home with the Strehls. Our thanks to them for their patience and unwavering enthusiasm.

Niki hopes to start producing her own champions; she has been bred to our BIS Ch. Leathemeck Bit of HappyLegs for a June litter.

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Ch. Shady Oak a Tad HappyLegs

Shady Oak x Banstock Shady Oak HappyLegs

"Tad" completed his championship on his eleven month birthday with four majors from the puppy class. His impressive wins include a four-point major at the Detroit Kennel Club and a four-point major at the International Kennel Club of Chicago. He was also Reserve Winners Dog at the Piedmont Specialty at Old Dominion, as well as the Working Group winner at the IKC's Best Puppy in Show competition.

Tad is an extremely sound, enthusiastic youngster with a love for life and the show ring. He is a double grandson of the late great National Specialty winner, Ch. Tundra's Pinewood Baron aka "Butkus." We co-bred Tad with Pam Kochuba of Shady Oak Bullmastiffs.

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CH. KINGSLYNNE'S MISS MONEYPENNY



Am. Cdn. Ch. Kinanama Brodmere Rasputin x Am. Cdn. Brodmere Sandman's Serenade
Pictured above is Moneypenny taking Winners Bitch at the Semi-Annual Specialty under Judge Walter Pinsker. Moneypenny is off to a grand start, finishing with three majors by 17 months of age. She gets prettier by the day. Watch for her in the future with Cindy Crawford.

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BEST OF BREED & BEST OF OPPOSITE SEX



Pictured above is Am. Cdn. Ch. Aamodt's Griffin of Ram's Gate (Griffin) winning Best of Breed and Am. Cdn. Ch. Brodmere's Simply Smashing (Neon) winning Best of Opposite Sex under Judge Stephen J. Hubbell, the weekend of the ABA Semi-Annual Specialty.

Griffin and Neon should be proud parents the end of May. Both parents being of consummate type and soundness will surely produce magnificent offspring.

Many thanks to Judy Nash for raising such a handsome gentleman for our girl.

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Nitestalker Bullmastiffs

introduces

Nitestalker's Blackslate Beauty



Ch. Blackslate's Irving Frye x Ch. Bandog's Sultry Sassy

A weekend that dreams are made of: After winning Winners Bitch and Best of Winners out of Bred-by at the ABA Southwest Specialty and Sweepstakes under respected Breeder/Judge Virginia Rowland, and a five-point major, Beauty exceeded even my wildest expectations by taking Winners Bitch again on Sunday for her second five-point major, again from the Bred-by class, under Judge Richard Beckwith. A huge Thank You to judges Rowland and Beckwith! Look for me and Beauty at the Nationals in Carlisle this September. We'll be working on another dream of mine-winning Bred-by at the Nationals!

Breeder/Owner/Handler

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Nitestalker Bullmastiffs

introduces

Nitestalker's Maximum Overdrive



Ch. Blackslate's Irving Frye x Ch. Bando's Sultry Sassy

Max, also known as "Swamp Dog" by those who know him best, has had a very good month, too. After taking Reserve Winners Dog at the ABA Southwest Specialty and Sweepstakes under Judge Virginia Rowland (Thanks again, Judge Rowland!) Max came home to Louisiana to win Winners Dog and Best of Winners and earn his first major under respected Judge Jane Forsythe. Thanks Mrs. Forsythe! Max is a joy to own, and an adventure to live with. He is also an integral part of the future for me and for Nitestalker Bullmastiffs.

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Beowulf Bullmastiffs

Meet George!



Beowulf Red Rhapsody O'GraWel is following in his half-sister's (Ch Beowulf Glory Girl) footsteps. George has been shown just three times in the bred-by class and has won two four-point majors and a major reserve by just eleven months and two days old. We hope history will repeat itself at the '96 National Specialty with George going BOW like Glory did in '95. Ch Ladybug Whiskey Mac is George's sire and his dam is Ch Leatherneck Beowulf Belle CD. George is pictured at ten months old.

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Katie Wins Open Junior Competition!



Katie Garrett is becoming quite a handler. At just 11 years old, Katie consistently places in junior showmanship with her friend, **Ch Leatherneck Beowulf Belle CD**. Katie and Belle are pictured winning their first open junior class over an entry of 11. Watch for this junior team at the '96 National Specialty and for Belle in the veterans class. Belle is owned by Jenny Baum and Katie Garrett.

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Introducing
Cohutta's You're My Sunshine



Sunny lit up my life by winning her first 4-point major at just 10 months old (pictured)! Sunny was the only pup produced from Jazz's (**Ch Leatherneck Dream Girl**) second litter sired by **Ch Evangeline's Spike**. She is line bred back to Ch Bandog Johnny Bull. We have high hopes that Sunny will better her half-sister's, Ch Cohutta's Only The Beginning, '95 Open Class win at this year's National Specialty.

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Cohutta Farm's
Basket of Babies



This seven week old basket of joy combines all the virtues of their parents and more. Their sire, **Ch Leatherneck Bit of HappyLegs**, gave them his beautiful movement with outstanding reach and drive, and his Best in Show attitude. Mom, **Ch Cohutta's Only The Beginning** (Loretta) gave them her style, expression, and typey head. Watch for these babies at the '96 National Specialty.

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Many of us have bred a litter; only a very few have established a recognizable bloodline. Creating such a bloodline is not just hard work; it's an art. The following interviews are taken from the article "The Breeding Art" by Barbara Cecil which appeared in the August, 1995 issue of the AKC Gazette and reprinted with their permission. The Bulletin also asked a number of Bullmastiff breeders to contribute; Virginia Rowland of Blackslate Bullmastiffs was good enough to respond.

The Breeding Art

Here are the rule: there aren't any. No hard-and-fast ones, anyway. At least according to the people who should know-those who have been in their breeds for decades, breeders who are successfully breeding dogs of identifiable lines.

While there are no ironclad rules, it turns out that each breeder interviewed here share a similar philosophy, if not a formula. This underlying philosophy runs through the interviews, a common thread that stitches together the individual circumstances and opinions that make each breeder unique.

First, a few generalizations. If you want to establish a bloodline, it helps if:

- You have the time, space and money to breed and keep a lot of dogs.
- You have a phenomenal memory capable of describing, in detail, every dog back through 10 generations in every pedigree of every dog you've ever bred.
- You subscribe to the theory "The harder I work, the luckier I get."
- You are an artist, have an eye for art, or at the very least, have an eye for dogs.

There were several specifics on which everyone agreed: You have to be unsentimental and ruthlessly objective in evaluating your own stock; grandparent to grandchild has the potential to be the best matchup in linebreeding, and every so often you must outcross.

But what were the facts, the details, the numbers, the science involved in establishing a bloodline? Said one respondent, "I can't answer these questions! This is an art!"

Perhaps that's the way it should be. If establishing a bloodline could be described in a completely scientific manner, each of us could apply the formula and come up a winner. But if establishing a bloodline is an art, it is one developed by very few. Meet those breeders who have brought their art to it fullest fruition.

Bloodline Language

So we're all speaking the same language, some terminology:

- Bloodline: a strain that breeds true and is consistently stamped with the traits and characteristics the breeder finds desirable.
- Linebreeding: the mating of dogs that are closely related to a common ancestor, but are little, if at all, related to each other.
- Inbreeding: the mating of closely related dogs, no further separated in the pedigree than one generation.
- Outcrossing: the mating of dogs with no common ancestors within five generations.

Patricia Craig Trotter, Vin-Melca Norwegian Elkhounds

Pat Trotter got her first Elkhound when she was 13 years old. "I

won't tell you when that was, but Harry Truman was in office," says Trotter, who picked Elkhounds because "they are a natural breed-natural ears and tail-and because of their good nature."

Her first dogs were from top hunting stock, and she's tried to stick with that ever since. "Elkhounds must be athletic and have strength of character to hunt large game, and if that's not kept in your line, you're not really breeding Norwegian Elkhounds."

When Trotter graduated from college she asked her mother to buy her a good bitch for a graduation present. When this bitch finished her championship, Trotter bred her to Ch. Tortasen's Bjorn II, a Norwegian import belonging to Wells Peck. Trotter considers Bjorn not only the turning point in her breeding program, but for the entire breed in the United States after World War II, as well.

"It was hard to fix type in the breed's early days here, because the Americans tended to breed Elkhounds rectangular rather than square-it's easier to get a sounder dog that way. Some of the dogs that came over from Norway were able to put length of leg and short loin back into the breed. It's difficult to retain type while still keeping front and rear angulation."

Trotter has maintained a consistent picture of what she wanted in her dogs. "My dogs from the '60s would still be the correct type, and I would still be proud to show them today. Breeders must not

allow their breeding program to fall prey to fashion. Each breeder must keep rededicating himself to breeding dogs that satisfy the breed's characteristics and purpose."

There are no magic formulas forthcoming from Trotter. "Every breeding is two steps forward, one step back, trying to breed a perfect dog from imperfect parents. I don't inbreed, but I've been working with this line for so many generations that it's much more than linebreeding." She says she has outcrossed about four times over the years. "Did I get what I wanted? Yes and no. This is a very inexact science; people want exact answers, and there aren't any. It is based on personal opinion, where the biggest problem is getting past lack of objectivity."

Trotter believes it is important that people who want to breed dogs choose to work with established breeders, so the same mistakes won't have to be made over and over again. She is currently writing a book on breeding, and hopes to have breeding seminars nationwide so that people can share their problems and work

on solutions. "I think it is important for every one of us to take on the job of educating people to breed better dogs," says Trotter. "Quality, not quantity. People should live for their dogs, not off them."

Having always selected for hardiness, strength of character and heart, Trotter says that dogs in her bloodline are recognizable because they look like they could do the job they were bred to do. "I want an honest dog. I want a dog sound in mind as well as in body."

FOCUS ON

Establishing a Bloodline

"Every breeding is two steps forward, one step back."

Patti Keller, Huntabird German Shorthaired Pointers

An art teacher and farmer's wife, Patti Keller's approach to breeding is both visual and visceral. "My whole bloodline is based on what I can see," says Keller. "I look at the dog. If he has already been bred, I see what he has produced; if he has not been bred, I see what his parents looked like." If Keller likes everything she sees, then she'll look at pedigrees. "You know the old saying, 'Papers won't tree a coon'? Well, I've got to see what I want in a dog. That dog has to hit me between the eyes and say, 'Yes!'"

Beginning with her foundation bitch, Gretchen von Huntabird, Keller has closely and consistently linebred Shorthairs for 25 years. She can describe in detail every dog in a seven-generation pedigree on her bitches. She can also predict almost exactly how a linebred litter will turn out - Keller says that if you were to visit and she turned her dogs loose, you would have a hard time telling them apart.

Keller's highest priority from the beginning has been movement. "I've always lived on a farm where we use our dogs for hunting," she explains. "I quickly learned you have to have a correctly built dog if you're going to take it into the field." Like so many other breeders, Keller's obsession is shoulders. "I'm always looking for better shoulders. I think the Shorthair is in trouble with a short upper arm and not enough angulation. Too many dogs don't have the necessary reach in front. The shoulders and front assembly is what pulls the dog through the fields."

"So if I have a son who is better than his father, why would I want to keep the father's frozen semen?"

unborn. "I won't do it. I am a firm believer that a stud dog, to be a good stud dog, has to produce better than what he is. So if I have a son who is better than his father, why would I want to keep the father's frozen semen?"

Dorothy Hutchinson, Rose Farm Dachshunds

Dorothy Hutchinson just brought back two miniature longhairs from Australia - a mother and a daughter - to use in her breeding program. "I was judging when the daughter came into my ring as an eight month old puppy. That was it! She was the finest Dachshund I'd ever seen. I ended up buying both her and her mother. I had the mother bred in Australia and imported here in whelp," says Hutchinson, who went to her first dog show when she was eight years old.

Hutchinson inherited her passionate interest in dogs from her mother, Nancy Onthank. In fact, Onthank passed on more than that. Hutchinson inherited the farm, the entire Rose Farm breeding program and bloodline. "Though I like one type of Dachshund, and my mother liked another, our goal was the same - to breed that perfect dog," she says. "Type is very well-defined in our breed standard, but a lot of people just don't understand the general makeup of a little,

short-legged dog."

Different bloodlines are easily discernible in Dachshunds. Rose Farm dogs are known for their size, heads and superior temperament. "Judges will come up to me and say, without having looked in the catalog, 'I had some of your breeding in my ring last week.'"

Hutchinson breeds both standards and miniatures in all three coats, and can trace where each of her puppies has gone for the last 30 years. "When I breed a bitch, I know where I'm going to take

"When I breed a bitch, I know where I'm going to take her to try and come up with what I want."

her to try and come up with what I want. I also know within which line her puppies should be bred.

"I inbred only once, a father to daughter that was an outcross on both sides, and it was a total disaster. I always closely linebreed, but I would never inbreed again. I do outcross, but not very often. I come from the old school that says every once in a while one must breed dogs that complement each other, forgetting the pedigree. If you like a certain look, and you want that look, breed to that dog. Then when you get what you went out for, go back to linebreeding to keep it."

Which brings us back to that mother-daughter pair from Australia. "Importing these two helped me in two ways. First, in this country the mini longs are running into some problems with bad bites, and second, I wanted to bring in something to breed to the top stud, which is my dog." Then Hutchinson adds, "Of course, I'm still working on my long term goal-always have been, and always will be."

Mary Rodgers, Marienburg Doberman Pinschers

"I have always had the burning desire to breed better and better Dobermans, dogs which aren't just champions, but great champions and great producers," says Mary Rodgers. "I have an advantage in breeding in my own line, as I have a file in my head that goes back to ground zero."

Rodgers purchased her first Doberman ("from good Midwestern stock") as a pet in 1961. Less than a year later Rodgers moved to California, and after answering an ad in the *Los Angeles Times* for a monkey, found herself with a second male Doberman (the monkey had already been sold). The owner of this Dobe was also a professional handler, and when he handled Rodgers's new dog to a reserve at a local show, Rodgers was hooked forever.

Though these first two dogs never became champions, Rodgers's next two did, and in the next generation a half-brother to half-sister breeding produced her first two champions. With the help of well-known Dobe breeder Jim Patton, Rodgers then began to add quality bitches to her kennel. A fortuitous outcross in the early '70s produced a dog that would later sire the most important dog Rodgers ever bred, Ch. Marienburg Sun Hawk, sire of 85 American champions.

Through Sun Hawk, Rodgers was able to integrate her two lines. She then linebred consistently until just a few years ago when she brought in her first outside blood from Europe. From her outcrossed dogs, she bred those that pleased her eye in type and overall balance back into her line, so that now she see a lot of the same type she has

always had, but an overall healthier animal.

Rodgers will inbreed, including father to daughter and mother to son, but says she has had limited success. "I much prefer half-brother to half-sister, uncle to niece, aunt to nephew, cousin to cousin and grandparent to grandchild." Rodgers feels strongly that for these breedings to be successful, the dogs have to be complementary and the breeder must have extensive information on the dogs - their faults and virtues, and what their predecessors produced. "If you do this, and don't double up on faults but do double up on virtues, there should always be good offspring in the litter," she says.

"I was lucky because I started out with good dogs. Knowing what I know now, I would advise any aspiring breeder to get the best bitch with the best pedigree they can afford. Buy from someone who is honest and who has a good bloodline. Seek out important, successful and honest breeders and visit their kennels. Talk little, but listen a lot!"

Sylvia Hammarstrom, Skansen Schnauzers

"I do not believe in artificial insemination or sperm banks," says Sylvia Hammarstrom, echoing Keller, then going a step or two further. Her breeding plan is relatively simple. she selects for health and character and lets nature handle the details. "I go out in nature and I try to copy what I see. Of course I pick the dog and the bitch, but I don't interfere in the breeding process. I put them together and they take care of it. I will not have my bitch raped; if she doesn't want to go along, then I would rather she not have puppies. I think we fail our dogs when we don't listen to their own instincts. If a bitch does not conceive naturally after two or three breedings, she is spayed and sold a pet."

Hammarstrom does not cull litters, believing the mother will do that for you if you don't interfere. She used to supplement puppies if they were weak or part of a large litter. "I was a specialist in tube feeding. Well, I have thrown the tubes away. I no longer try to keep anything alive that nature didn't intend to keep alive. And since I have stopped interfering, I have learned nature takes care of the genetic defects. It may sound cruel, but that is how nature intended it."

Hammarstrom is constantly looking for the qualities she feels her line needs. "In Giant

Schnauzers we are not as strong in heads and bites as the Europeans, so I guess you could call me a 'head hunter' right now. Of course, no detail is as important as balance, soundness and movement, but I feel my line has that, so now I'm going for details."

Hammarstrom's dogs have won Best in Show in 20 different countries. A breeder for 45 years, her name is know worldwide and is synonymous with the Giant Schnauzer. Yet, says Hammarstrom, "I am never satisfied. Breeding is a very inexact science and I have extremely high expectations. I have to improve! I have to breed better dogs! I think that's the only reason I'm still doing this, because I'm so determined to succeed."

Virginia Rowland, Blackslate Bullmastiffs

"It has always been my philosophy that the key to defining type and the guideline to a quality breeding program is to selectively linebreed as a general rule and occasionally inbreed or outcross to introduce some quality that the particular Bullmastiff I am breeding may need improvement on.

Before I could implement my breeding philosophy, I had to decide the type of Bullmastiff I wanted to breed and what dogs and what pedigrees would give me what I wanted.

To insure type I found that an understanding of the pedigrees is absolutely fundamental. When you do a breeding you are just as likely to get puppies that look like one of the grandparents as the parents so it is just as important to know what the grandparents look like, if you can, as the parents. If one of the grandparents has a particularly bad bite, let's say undershot and narrow, you shouldn't be surprised to get at least one puppy with this bite even if the parents have very nice bites.

My foundation bitch had an outcrossed pedigree and two of the three things a breeder should look for in a dog they intend to breed: she was very sound and she had a wonderful temperament. But she did not have the type of head that I wanted to perpetuate and even if I had wanted to there weren't any males I could have linebred her to. So when I bred her, I had to outcross her to males whose type I liked and who had linebred pedigrees that I hoped they would be prepotent for. From my first litters I selected bitches that had the best heads and the best overall type, and from this I feel I was able to establish a line that is recognizable for the particular "type" that defines a Blackslate Bullmastiff. I would never be able to claim, however, that all the dogs I breed are like peas in a pod. They all have unique qualities.

I have resisted the temptation to inbreed as a rule because I have seen in other lines where there has been inbreeding for a number of generations that there is a loss of size which is hard to get back unless the line is outcrossed.

For this reason, when I have a bitch with a very closely bred pedigree, I will breed her to a dog that she is not very closely related to. My feeling is that she should be prepotent for her type and I can use her puppies to linebreed back to my line.

I have always subscribed to the theory that if you breed a large Bullmastiff (bitch or dog) to a small Bullmastiff (dog or bitch) you will get large or small Bullmastiffs. At least with my line, when I breed a small dog (25 inch) to a small bitch (24 inch), I end up with small dogs and bitches.

My preference is for dogs and bitches that are - all other things being equal - on the upper part of the standard, 25 inches for a bitch, 26 1/2 inches for a male, so I will only breed to a male that I consider "small" if he has other outstanding virtues and if I have a large bitch to breed to him.

I will breed a dog or bitch who has the type and temperament I like if he/she is also sound. There are too many unsound Bullmastiffs, and I feel this problem has been developed and perpetuated by breeders who have not considered soundness as important a priority as type and temperament.

I have never bred any dog that is the perfect Bullmastiff (nor have I seen one bred by anyone else). That is why breeding is still challenging and exciting for me despite all the hard work and occasional heartbreak that is involved."

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Prima's preliminary hip x-rays are very good, and we plan a line-breeding in early winter to BIS Ch. Leatherneck Bit of HappyLegs. Special thanks to Vicki Fillinger for so skillfully handling Prima to her championship.

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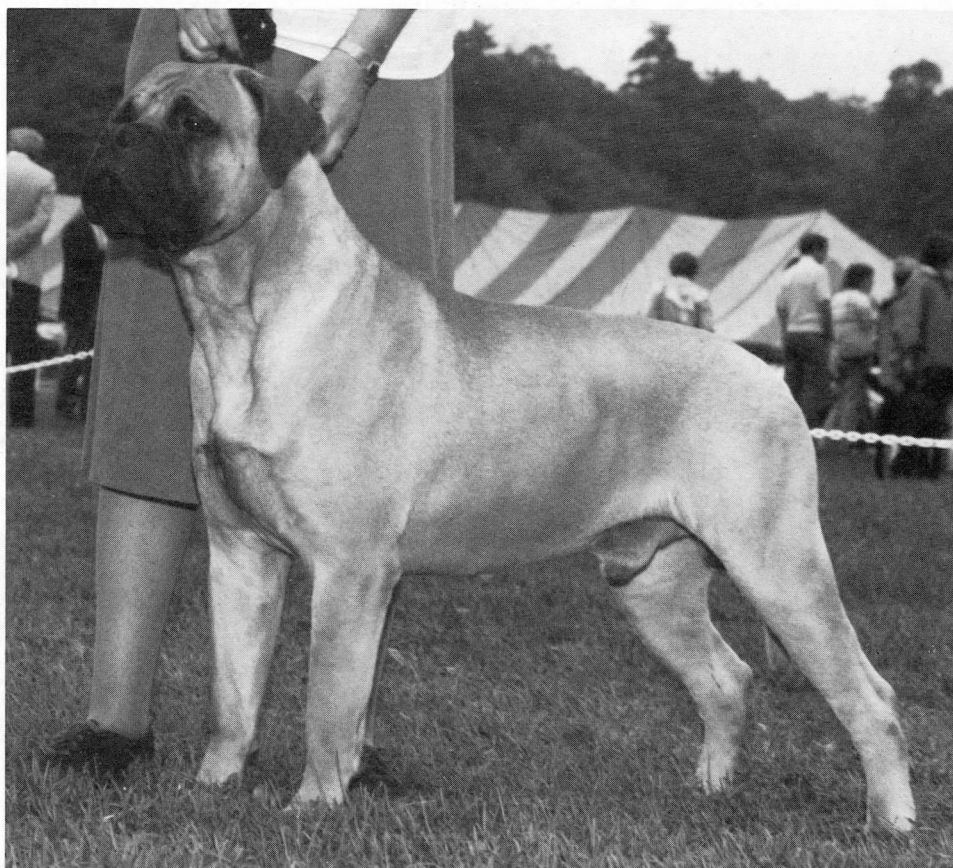
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The picture in the mind of the breeder is the future of the breed.

(Good picture, good breeding. Bad picture, bad breeding.)



Ch. Jubilee Willie's Legacy (1982-91)

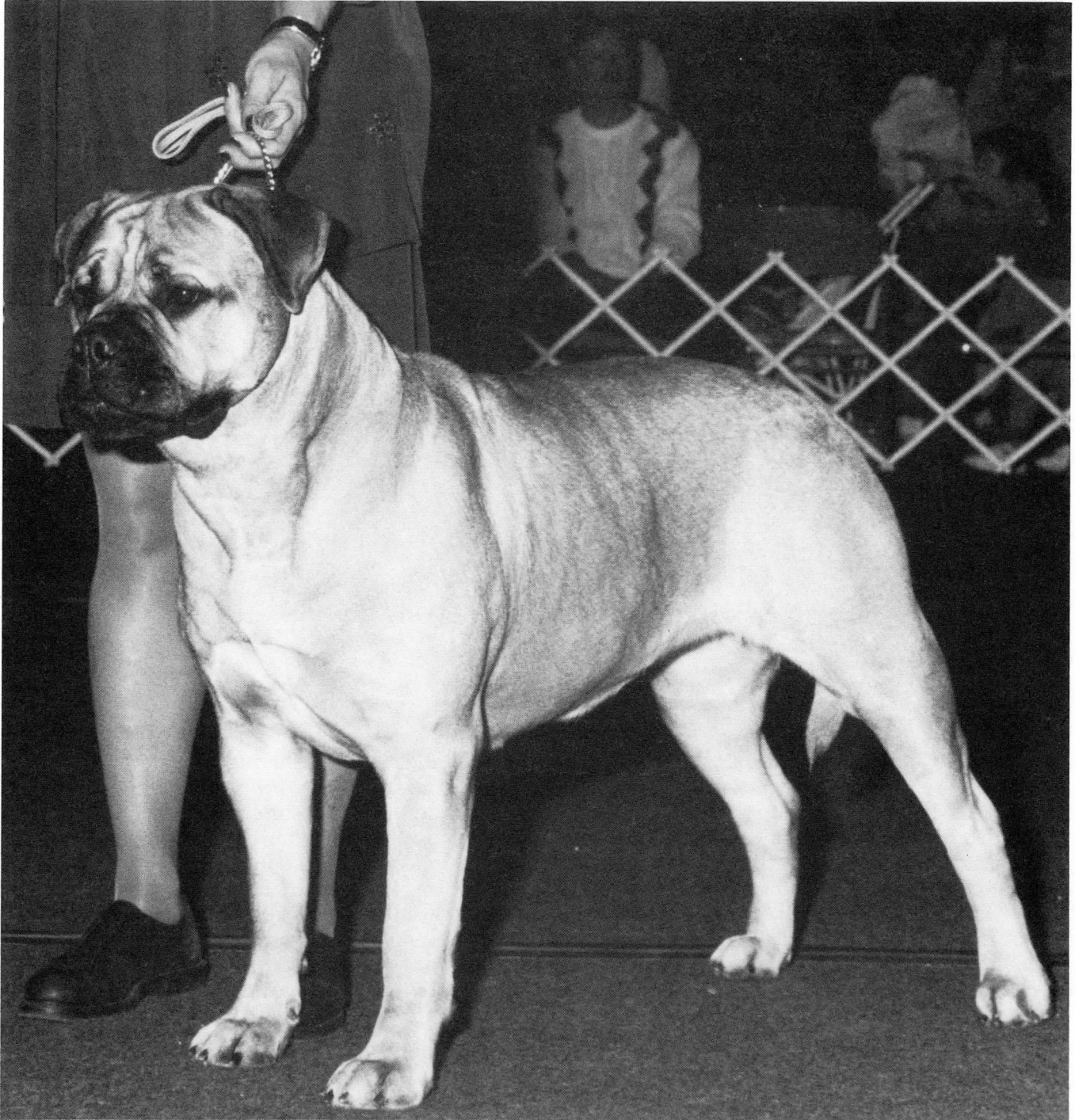
The picture in our mind: A good Bullmastiff has a bit of neck and a topline that doesn't dip, not even a little. The legs are long enough to show some daylight under the dog and cover ground when trotting. That means the no-neck, short-legged, swaybacked look is a no-no. (In bitches too!) The head is clean, with only "a fair amount of wrinkle when alert" (the Standard!), not buried in a tangle of folds, dewlaps, flews, etc. The muzzle is not so short that the nasal passages are squooshed. What's more, a good Bullmastiff is active, almost as active as a terrier, with strong romping tendencies. A lethargic, dull Bullmastiff is a loser. Overall, in looks and in behavior, a good Bullmastiff is a *normal* dog, not a weird, cartoonish variation on the Bulldog theme. With a slight updating of the head, that classic 1935 photo of English Ch. Roger of the Fenns could still serve as a model of type and balance in this great breed.

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Club Reports

Southwest Bullmastiff Club

The ABA Southwest Specialty and Sweepstakes were held March 22, 1996 in conjunction with the Fort Worth Kennel Club. The following are the winners:

Sweepstakes: Judge Mrs. Mary Barbara Walsh, Entry 34

Best in Sweepstakes: Leatherneck's Pink Champagne (B) owned by Linda Thompson

Best of Opposite to Best in Sweepstakes: Wynoka Oklahoma Von Helken, owned by Valery Hellman & Betty Schaub

Best Veteran Dog in Sweepstakes: Ch. Blazin's Blue Max, owned by Gregory Slater & Tom & Roxanne LaPaglia

Best Veteran Bitch in Sweepstakes: Ch. Noland Erie Forger Jennifer, owned by Martin Richardson

Breed: Judge Mrs. Virginia Rowland, Entry 79

Best of Breed: Ch. Leathernecks Grizzly (D) owned by Anita Lewis & Jean Robinson

Best of Opposite Sex: Ch. Hanna of Country Corners (B) owned by Linda Walton & Bill Brookings

Best of Winners & Winners Bitch: Nitestalker's Blackslate Beauty, owned by Vickie Lang

Winners Dog: Noland Dox I Love Moosey, owned by Susan Crawford

Reserve Winners Dog: Nitestalker's Maximim Overdrive, owned by Vickie Lang

Reserve Winners Bitch: Peterbuilt's Pretty Girl, owned by Eric Bristol

Stud Dog: Ch. Dox Fast Freddy of Shady Oak, owned by John & Susan Crawford

Brood Bitch: Ch. Bandog's Sultry Sassy, owned by Vickie Lang

Best Puppy in Classes: Way-O-Ways Why Ask Why, owned by Kathy McAlister & Ed Brady

The new officers for 1996-98 are: President-Vickie Lang, Vice President-Vicky Topper, Secretary-Vickie Miller, Treasurer-Kathy McAlister, Board of Directors-Carolyn Golden, Julie Hays, Anna Williamson.

Piedmont Bullmastiff Club of Greater Washington DC

The Ninth Annual Specialty and Sweepstakes was held Saturday, April 20, 1996 in conjunction with the Old Dominion Kennel Club in Leesburg, Virginia. The results are as follows: Sweepstakes: Judge Mr. Peter Aczel, Entry 25

Best in Sweepstakes: HappyLegs Wisenheimer (D) owned by Alan Kalter & Chris Lezotte

Best of Opposite to Best in Sweepstakes: Andalusia's Stellar Bit (B) owned by Lynnel Jones & Kate Jones

Breed: Judge Mrs. Eileen Pimlot, Entry 61

Best of Breed: Ch. Sherwood's Jacob (D) owned by Heather Silva & Ed Silva

Best of Opposite Sex: Ch. Hanna of Country Corners (B) owned by Linda Walton & Bill Brookings

Best of Winners & Winners Bitch: Blazin's Daydreamer, owned by Rommel Abellera & Roxanne & Tom LaPaglia

Winners Dog: Bedrocks Prince Ali Raja, owned by Grace Legros

Reserve Winners Dog: Shady Oak a Tad HappyLegs, owned by Alan Kalter & Chris Lezotte

Reserve Winners Bitch: Blackslate Jasmin of Briarmoor, owned by Michelle Aprahamian & Virginia Rowland

Following the judging, a picnic was held for the exhibitors by the members of the Piedmont Club.



Bullmastiffs of Northern California

The Far West Specialty was held on March 9, 1996 in Peasanton, California with the following winners:

Sweepstakes: Judge Mr. Thomas Tobin, Entry 39

Best in Sweepstakes: Sugaree's Red Rogue (D) owned by Susan Cochrane & David & Betty Lyon

Best of Opposite to Best in Sweepstakes: Kingslynne Miss Moneypenney (B) owned by Christopher & Karen Campbell & Cindy Crawford

Veteran Sweepstakes: Judge Mr. Thomas Tobin, Entry 6

Best in Veteran Sweepstakes: Ch. Tri-Ivory Red Rodent (D), owned by Marc & Barbara Gunther & James & Sheila Polk

Best of Opposite Sex to Best in Veteran Sweepstakes: Ch. Tri-Ivory Tuaca (B) owned by James & Sheila Polk

Breed: Judge Mr. Walter Pinsker, Entry 96

Best of Breed: Ch. Tri-Ivory Red Rodent (D) owned by Marc & Barbara Gunther & James & Sheila Polk

Best of Opposite Sex: Ch. Blazin's Laliq, owned by Malinda Raby & Peter Kozel

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Best of Winners & Winners Dog: Middlemarch Molar Bear, owned by Ricardo Verduzzo

Winners Bitch: Kingslynne Miss Moneypenney, owned by Christopher & Karen Campbell & Cindy Crawford

Reserve Winners Dog: Tauralan Lionel Love Toy, owned by Carol Beans

Reserve Winners Bitch: Will-O-Ways Why Ask Why, owned by Kathy McAlister & Ed Brady

Stud Dog: Ch. Whiskey Hill's Bootlegger, owned by Connie Urbanski, Susie Borg & Sheila Polk

Brood Bitch: Ch. Irongate's California Raisin, owned by Lucille Kapple

Best Veteran Dog: Ch. Tri-Ivory Red Rodent, owned by Marc & Barbara Gunther & James & Sheila Polk

Best Veteran Bitch: Ch. Irongate's California Raisin, owned by Lucille Kapple

The club's new officers were elected in February, 1996. They are: President-Susie Borg, Vice President-Jack Farmer, Treasurer-Lucille Kapple, and Secretary-Carolyn Young.

Delaware Valley Bullmastiff Club

The Delaware Valley Bullmastiff Club had its elections in January, and the new slate is as follows: President-Adele Millett, Vice President-Christine Kling, Secretary-Bodil Aczel, Treasurer-Jeanette Hawkins, Directors-Peter Aczel, Peter Clip & Helma Weeks.

The club supported the Bullmastiff entry at the Philadelphia KC show on December 2, 1995. The location has been changed to downtown Philadelphia in the new Convention Center, and it turned out to be a good venue despite all the worries about the parking.

The Bullmastiff judge was Mr. Joseph Gregory. The entry was 37 with 4 absent. The winners were as follows:

BOB: Ch. Blazin's Blue Max, owned by Gregory Slater & Tom & Roxanne LaPaglia

BOS: Ch. Gunpowder Rowdy Lilly McK, owned by Merry Johnson & Michael & Andrea McKenna

WD & BOW: Bedrocks Chipof Gold Bam Bam, owned by Grace Legros

WB: Maple St's Blazin's Lioness, owned by J. & T. Kobstad & Mary & Joe Hellmers

The Delaware Valley Bullmastiff Club had its annual puppy Match in Peddlar's Village in Lahaska, Pennsylvania on May 19, 1996. Merry Johnson judged the entries. This event is always very popular and it is a fun day for the whole family with lots of doggy and non-doggy things to do.

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