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Money will buy you

- Q a pretty good
- U dog, but it won't
- T buy the wag of
- E his tail.

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Maltese: Dog of the Month

The Maltese is one of the hardiest of those in the toy class. He makes a



good companion and is friendly with children. As an adult, he tends to be extremely active, but his size rules out the need for a large exercise area. The puppy, who at birth weighs 3 to 5 ounces, will average about 5 pounds at maturity. The puppy coat is replaced by the mature coat at about 8 months. Full size is between 8 to 10 months. The breed is outgoing, inquisitive, friendly and often called the "dog of a million kisses."

Background

This tiny breed is originally from the ancient island of Malta and was a favorite of the Greeks, Phoenicians and Egyptians. They are Spaniel dogs, not Terriers, and are usually spirited and healthy.

The Show Ring

Weight should be under 7 pounds, with from 4 to 6 pounds preferred. Overall quality counts more than size. The coat is long, flat and silky. Any suggestion of kinkiness, curliness or wooly texture is undesirable.

Breed disqualifications

There are none.

Recognized Health Problems

The hereditary defects most common in the breed are poor pigmentation, undershot jaw and misalignment caused by retention of temporary teeth. Hydrocephalus, open fontanel, hypoglycemia, patellar luxation and cryptorchidism are all common. Patellar luxation should be corrected early before osteoarthritis changes can occur. The Maltese is one of the 2 breeds in which hypertrophic pyloric gastropathy occurs. Whiteshaker dog syndrome (generalized tremor), which affects young purebred Maltese, responds to corticosteroid treatment.

Old Age

The older dog has a decreased desire for activity. He is relatively free from physical ailments, other than tooth problems and arthritis from patellar luxation. If teeth begin to decay, they should be removed to prevent infection. Many older dogs are toothless but healthy. The breed lives an average of 12 to14 years.

From: Ross D. Clark, DVM & Joan R. Stainer. Medical and Genetic Aspects of Purebred Dogs.

October Meeting

FOOD: Our October meeting will be held on Monday, **Oct. 18th**. Do plan to attend and bring a dish for our potluck dinner. The club will provide beverages. Dinner will be served at 7:00 p.m. and everyone is welcome. If you know of anyone who might be interested in joining our group, do bring them along. Dogs are welcomed in the building during the meal, but should be crated or kept in Ring 2 until dinner is over.

PROGRAM: Dr. Adele Monroe will present a discussion of **animal chiropractic**. Helping your dog use his body more efficiently and more normally is one of the goals of chiropractic.

Flood Rescue DKC MEMBERS AID FLOYD VICTIMS

At the monthly meeting September 20, Hope Sylvain issued a plea for assistance in aiding the rescue of animals from the flood in eastern Carolina, and by Wednesday September 22 DKC members responded in a big way. With just 36 hours notice, 720 pounds of puppy, dog and cat food plus bedding, toys, and other items were donated to the newly opened Edgecomb County shelter in Tarboro.

Assistance is still needed!! Durham Kennel Club will continue to collect donations of dog and cat supplies. Local PetsMart stores are also a collection site, as well as Grey Church Stone Baptist on Hillsborough Road in Durham. Much needed are medium and large crates/kennels, collars and shampoos, leashes, towels/ bedding, muzzles, toys.

Monetary Donations are desperately needed by the North Carolina Veterinary School to purchase needed medicines and vaccines. Checks should be pavable to "Hurricane Relief Fund" and sent to the Veterinary Medical Foundation, NCSU Veterinarv School. 4700 Hillsborough Road, Raleigh, NC 27606.

The Emergency Animal Rescue Service (EARS) is at the forefront of rescue efforts in Greenville; monetary and supplies donations can be sent to EARS c/o Cora Tyson, 215 Hardee Road, Greenville, NC 27858. If you would like to volunteer physically, or provide a foster home, please contact Melanie of EARS at Mjartisian@prodigy.net

The Humane Society of the United States (HSUS) is assisting with a shelter in Raleigh. Contact the SPCA of Wake County at 772-

2326, or the Humane Society at 1-800-HUMANE-1.

The American Humane Association (AHA) needs volunteers and donations in Kinston. Contact phone number is 1-800-227-4645.

Volunteers and supplies are needed in the **New Bern** area. Contact is Wendy Walter, 252-636-3391.

Tarboro Rescue Efforts will accept donations at the SPCA offices, 219-B Garner Business Ct., Garner.

Show-N-Go

There will be a Show-N-Go at DKC on Dec 12. We'll do things a bit differently this time, but the general registration will still start at 8:30 AM and run-throughs will start immediately. We'll start with two rings of Utility. When Utility is finished (probably in late morning), we'll start two rings of Open. When Open is finished (probably in early afternoon), we'll start two rings of Novice. My hope is to have a male judge and a female judge going at all times. The general registration will run from 8:30 until 10:30 AM. We'll have a special extra registration for Novice from 12:30 until 1:30 **PM** so that those showing only in Novice won't have to arrive at the crack of dawn to register. Those having questions (or who want to volunteer to help) can contact me. Jane Bergsten (919) 967-2191 or at JWBergsten@AOL.COM.

Official Dog Enthusiast's DON'T List (abb.)

Does it seem like <u>WHATEVER YOU DO</u>, someone disagrees? If so, then this list is for you. If you follow all of the rules on this Official DON'T list, you'll never get in trouble again.

DON'T transport your dog in a plastic crate. Plastic crates don't allow sufficient air flow.

DON'T transport your dog in a wire crate. In a car accident, a wire crate

transforms into a doggie skewer. On days you plan to have a car accident, it's acceptable to use a plastic crate.

DON'T enter your dog in conformation. It's b-o-r-i-n-g for the dog.

DON'T enter your dog in obedience. It's B-o-r-i-n-g with a capital "B."

DON'T enter your dog in agility. The jumps will injure his joints.

DON'T send your dog out with a handler. Only a psychopath would send their beloved pet with a complete stranger.

DON'T handle your dog yourself. You've got a great dog, and he deserves a much better handler than you will ever be.

DON'T don't. That's right, you heard me, just don't!

Upcoming Events

October 14, 1999 (Thursday) DKC

Conformation Classes Begin Both Classes (Puppy &

Beginner) - 7:30 PM Betty McAllister 528-2649

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October 23, 1999 (Saturday) DKC Harris Rd. Site

DKC FALL SHOW

EEEEEEEEE November – Tracking Trial

December – Obedience Trial EEEEEEEEE December 12, 1999 (Sun.) DKC

Show-N-Go (times in column at left)

Jane Bergsten 919 67-2191 JWBergsten@AOL.COM EEEEEEEEEE December 20, 1999 (Wed.) Trophy Applications DUE

Joanna at 919-479-9954.

From the Awards Committee:

The Awards Committee met on September 20 to begin preparations for our annual Awards Banquet honoring DKC members and their dogs. It promises to be an exciting event again this year! This year's awards include the DOG WORLD AWARD, presented every 2 years to a DKC member for outstanding service to the club and the dog world in general. We have a NEW TROPHY graciously donated by Sharon Pitz to honor a member's dog excelling in AGILITY during the year. The award is based on a point system determined by the number of clean (100 score) runs, places, and titles earned. CRITERIA for all awards/plaques/certificates/ trophies are included in this newsletter. APPLICATIONS are available at the DKC building, the DKC website, or by calling Joanna Burley at 919-479-7011 to have them mailed or faxed to you. The DUE DATE is Wednesday, December 20, 1999 at the DKC building or by mail to Joanna at 9719 Rougemont Road, Bahama, NC 27503, or through fax to Joanna at 919-479-9954.

Your **Committee members**, who are happy to answer any questions/concerns or take suggestions, are **Joanna Burley (chair)**, Margaret Fox, Jan Gray, and Carolyn Wolfe.



Durham Kennel Club Criteria for Annual Awards

The following are descriptions of the DKC's annual awards. The award year will be from January to December. All of these awards must be applied for on the correct form. Forms are available at the DKC Building. One form per dog per award! **All forms are due by** All members and candidate members in good standing are encouraged to apply.

| Individual Plaques | Given to each DKC member whose dog attains an AKC conformation, obedience, tracking, herding, or agility TITLE during the year. |
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| Haines Show Dog Trophy | Awarded to the dog with the most outstanding conformation show record for the year, in the opinion of the Awards Committee. |
| Fowler Show Bitch Trophy | Awarded to the bitch with the most outstanding conformation show record for the year, in the opinion of the Awards Committee. |
| Kartye Stud Dog Trophy | Awarded to the owner of the stud dog whose progeny have compiled the most notable record of achievement in the opinion of the Awards Committee. Accomplishments in all AKC events are considered. |

| Kartye Brood Bitch Trophy | Awarded to the owner of the brood bitch whose progeny have compiled the most notable record of achievement in the opinion of the Awards Committee. Accomplishments in all AKC events are considered. |
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| Hill Breeders Trophy | Awarded in recognition of a kennel's outstanding year. Criteria include: number of breed or better placements during the previous year; number of studs active; number of brood bitches active; number of puppies whelped; national rating of dogs of the breeder; and number of show champions bred during the preceding five years. |
| DKC Breeder's Certificates | Honors dogs bred by a member who obtain an AKC recognized title in any discipline. |
| Canine Good Citizen | Collar tags and certificates are given to each dog earning a CGC. |
| Thompson Obedience Trophy | Awarded to the dog who has excelled in obedience during the year, in the opinion of the Awards Committee. |
| Luster Novice Obedience Trophy | Awarded to the dog earning a CD title with the highest average score from the first three qualifying scores. |
| Telander Open A Trophy | Awarded to the dog earning a CDX title from the Open A class with the highest average score from the first three qualifying scores. |
| White Utility A Trophy | Awarded to the dog (owned and handled by a DKC member) earning a UD title from the Utility A class with the highest average score from the first three qualifying scores. |
| Grimson Tracking Trophy | Awarded for encouragement and excellence in tracking. |
| Pitz Agility Trophy | Awarded to the dog owned by a DKC member who excels in agility competition during the year. The winner of this award is determined by a point system depending on the number of clean runs in the classes, double q's, titles earned and mach pts the dog achieves. |
| Holland Versatility Trophy | Awarded to the dog who earns a conformation <i>and</i> an obedience, tracking, or agility title within a twelve month period. |
| BIS, 200, OTCH & National Specialty Winners | Dogs who have won these awards in the past year will have their names placed on plaques at the DKC building, and commemorative certificates will be given. |

SHOW REPORT: CONFORMATION

| OWNER'S NAME | DOG'S NAME (BREED) | SHOW & DATE | CLASS | PTS | HIGHEST WIN | SPECIAL MERIT |
|----------------------------------|-------------------------|---|----------------------|-------|--------------------------------|---|
| Lisa Connelly & Charles Vance | Duncan (Border Terrier) | Border Terrier Club of America (8/19/99) | 9-12 Sweeps | | Best Puppy in Sweepstakes | |
| " | Dot (Border Terrier) | " | Working Bitch | | Best Working Border Terrier | |
| " | Molly (Border Terrier) | ** | Brood Bitch | | First Place | |
| " | Duncan (Border Terrier) | Greater Lowell KC (8/22/99) | 9-12 Puppy dog | 5 pts | BOW | Finished with 4 majors at 10 months of age! |
| " | " | Conyers KC (8/29/99) | BOB | | Group IV | |
| | Grace (Border Terrier) | Greater Lowell KC (8/22/99) | Bred-By Exhibitor | | RWB | Entry of 25 in bitches!! |
| Susan Jones | Ted (Mini LH Dachs | Furniture city CK (9/4/99) | Bred-by Exhibitor | 2 | WD/BOW | |
| " | Jewel (Mini LH Dachs) | Salisbury KC | Open | 2 | WB/BOS | |

PERFORMANCE SHOW REPORT: OBED., TRACKING, HERDING, FIELD TRIALS, LURE COURSING AND AGILITY, ETC.

| OWNER'S NAME | DOG'S NAME (BREED) | SHOW & DATE | CLASS | SCORE | LEG | PLACE | SP. AWARD |
|-----------------|---------------------------|---|-----------------------|-------|-----|-------|-----------|
| Lisa Connelly | Maggie (Border Terrier) | Border Terrier Club of America (8/19/99) | Team Obedienc e | | | 1 | |
| Sharon Pitz | Mariah (Golden Retriever) | Potomac Valley Golden Ret. Club/Agility | 24" Open Standard | 100 | 1 | 2 | |
| " | " | Potomac Valley Belgian Sheepdog Club/Agility | 24 " Open Standard | 100 | 2 | 1 | |
| " | ٤٢ | Warrenton Club Agility | 24 " Open Standard | 95 | 3 | | OA title! |