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This month will mark another important milestone in the life of our Club, Pulik of Northern California. PNC will hold its 5th Independent Specialty Dog Show, in conjunction with its Obedience Trial and Sweepstakes. To top it off, PNC has also arranged for a Herding Instinct Test, which will be the following day, after the Specialty.

We are going to have the week-end to remember! The dates are: May 22, 87, Friday night a Herding Rap Session with Goldie Brigante; Saturday, May 23, 87 in the morning the Obedience Trial, in the early afternoon the Sweepstakes, the late afternoon a Rap Session with Julius Hidassy about Obedience Topics; then on Sunday, the 24th of May, 87 in the morning the Conformation Judging, in the afternoon Raffle, and a Parade of Titleholders, followed by an informal gathering at Pedro’s Restaurant; then on Monday, the 25th of May, 87 the Herding Instinct Testing at the Oxford Ranch in Lodi, California, with a Chili Lunch Break, around noon! Well! All sounds exciting and quite thrilling within a 3-day week-end.

I’d like to remind you to send your goodies for the raffle to the Motters in time. If – by chance – you have forgotten, please call them up and announce that you’ll be bringing it on the day of the Specialty. As long as the Motters know about your pledge...

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Why is it that whenever an idea gets started, it spreads around the globe like a wildfire.

Like when in the sixties the fight was on whether we should have corded or brushed Pulik, then in the seventies the great obedience Pulik were winning in large numbers, and people acknowledged the fact, that you are not only training obedience because your Puli cannot be shown in conformation. All of the sudden there were more Champion Pulik earning obedience titles than in a decade before. And finally, the Obedience Championship came to life, giving the right recognition to the hard working Pulik.

What do you think the eighties are holding for us? I know, it’s already the end of this decade, but do you realize that herding will make its entry in the showings, or at least close to the showings before long, as a matter of fact within the next couple of years? Read the second part of the herding article in this issue and see how the Hungarian Kennel Club is on the move. And if the will institute a Herding Instinct Test, or something alike, even if they call it working test for herding dogs, it will definitely change the scenery, and due recognition for the herding breeds, mainly for the Pulik will bring the long awaited awards. I can even envisage a Puli, a new image which represents the true Puli with alacrity for work, yet endowed with super coat. It doesn’t mean that the coat might not be of floor length. Tex-
ture will not have to change, only the length. This point is not the hottest issue... The Puli, underneath the coat, his cheerful mentality, his temperament, his willingness to work, his wiry body structure will determine his future role in the world.

Until all these issues will be sorted out, accepted in Hungary, then spread all over the world, then accepted by the AKC... another decade may slip by. But, at the end, it will be worth it for all Puli breeders and owners.

Dr. Úcsag's book has been published in Hungary. Hopefully we will be able to secure a few for the American public. However, do you realize that he spent an entire decade to write his book, by the time it is published, a lot of concepts may have changed, or are in the molding. What a pity! Let's hope in the future, when PC's will be household words in the entire world, like typewriters today, then a book of that caliber could be born in a fraction of a decade. It is imperative that electronics gadgets be of universal use, so new concepts don't get old or die before their time.

Talking about new concepts, we have not even started here in the U.S. to get all the colors of the Puli accepted by AKC, which have already been accepted and utilized in Hungary and in all other countries, which are members of the F.C.I.- I am referring to the apricot and masked, brindle type colors, which have been so popular everywhere in the world, except in the United States. I have not heard of anyone who would have undertaken the task, to represent the new color wave at the AKC? The previous change to the Puli standard took quite a few years until it was accepted by the AKC. How long are we going to wait to start up with this concept, or are we waiting until it has gone out of "fashion"? I trust, dog people do need lobbyists as well as their human counterparts, right? Or are we satisfied, if we only produce filibusters? Hm!

This coming summer, I believe Les Benis is going to judge in Hungary, at least that was the news, when I talked to Les a couple of months ago. The date has not been properly fixed, but as soon as I learn to know, I will disclose it in the Parade, so if somebody wants to go to Hungary for that show, would be able to do so. May Carpenter was also invited by the Hungarian Kennel Club to judge Vizslas. Would be nice to see some old friends in Budapest, and reminisce about the last trip a few years ago which was such a success!

Looking forward to seeing you on the Memorial Day Specialty Weekend, I wish everybody lots of success and hope that everyone will go home with great memories of the lovely event.

This will be a good time to try your wings in writing. I'd like to receive your impressions of the Specialty Weekend, please send them to me with your photo illustrations. I'll be very grateful for it. Thanks in advance.

Your Editor, Terry
WHAT??????
5th Independent PNC SPECIALTY!

WHEN??????

May 23rd, 24th, 25th, 1987

OBEDIENCE TRIAL: Saturday, May 23rd.

PUPPY SWEEPSTAKES: Saturday, May 23rd.


WHERE??????

Holiday Inn, Sunnyvale, California
Oxford Ranch, Lodi, California

WHY??????

In Memory of:
OTCH/CH. PAYDAIN EDYRNION
"Huggy Bear"
FRIDAY, MAY 22ND: Holiday Inn

8:00 P.M. - *Herding Rap Session with Goldie Brigante
Informal discussion with Goldie, who has working Pulik and has had first-hand experience with herding several types of livestock. Learn what our breed can really do!

SATURDAY, MAY 23RD: Holiday Inn

A.M. - Obedience Trial
(Specific Time To Be Announced After Closing of Entries)

Afternoon - Sweepstakes  (See Above Regarding Time)

Afternoon - *Obedience Rap Session with Julius Hidassy
Informal session with AKC Judge Julius Hidassy, whose main topics will include "The Perfect Heeling Position" and "How To Train Your Dog To Pay Attention."
(Will Begin 1 Hour After Completion of Sweepstakes Judging)

SUNDAY, MAY 24TH: Holiday Inn

A.M. - Conformation Judging  (Specific Time To Be Announced)

Afternoon - Raffle: A Myriad of Trinkets & Treasures!!!
(Immediately Following Judging of Best of Breed)

Afternoon - Parade of Titleholders  (Immediately Following Raffle)

4:00 P.M. - *Gathering at Pedro's Restaurant
(In lieu of a formal banquet) Come unwind, congratulate winners, and enjoy great food and camaraderie at an informal, no-host dinner gathering.

MONDAY, MAY 25TH: Oxford Ranch, Lodi

A.M. - Herding Instinct Testing
Experience the thrill of seeing Pulik demonstrate natural instinct for the purpose for which they were bred!!!

Approx. Noon - Chili Lunch Break - Homemade chili, salad, cornbread. Yum!

*Please note date/time change for these (*) events. Also, complete schedule information, directions, etc., will be available at show site for all events.
SPECIALTY DINNER  
SUNDAY, MAY 24TH  
PEDRO'S RESTAURANT

PLEASE JOIN US FOR AN INFORMAL NO-HOST DINNER GATHERING LATE SUNDAY  
AFTERNOON AT PEDRO’S RESTAURANT. (FOLLOWING BEST OF BREED -  
ESTIMATED DINNER TIME OF 4:30 - SPECIFIC TIME TO BE ANNOUNCED).

CONGRATULATE WINNERS, CONMISERATE WITH LOSERS!  
SEE OLD FRIENDS, MAKE NEW ONES!  
RELAX AND UNWIND A LITTLE!  
(PEDRO’S HAS GREAT STRAWBERRY MARGARITAS)  
TALK DOGS, TALK PULIK!  
ENJOY AUTHENTIC MEXICAN FOOD AT ITS BEST!  
(WIDE CHOICE AVAILABLE TO SUIT ALL PALATES)

Please come and enjoy the camaraderie of other dog people in a  
pleasant and relaxing atmosphere for an enjoyable Specialty dinner.  
Pedro’s should provide us a special ambience not usually found in a  
banquet-type affair. (The restaurant is located only one exit past  
the show grounds. Transportation will be arranged for those needing  
it.)

As Pedro’s has requested we give an accurate head count well in  
advance in order for them to guarantee us suitable private  
accommodations, we need to receive your reservation no later than  
Saturday, May 16. PLEASE TAKE THE TIME TO SEND IT IN NOW WHILE YOU  
ARE THINKING OF IT. YOUR HELP WOULD TRULY BE APPRECIATED!

Mail reservation to: Barbara Stelz  
5109 Kathy Way  
Livermore, CA 94550

---YES! I LOVE MARGARITAS AND GOOD FOOD AND GREAT PEOPLE AND  
WILL BE ATTENDING.---

---YES! I WILL BE ATTENDING, EVEN THOUGH I CAN’T DO THE MEXICAN  
HAT DANCE AND WOULD PREFER CHOW MEIN OR SPAGHETTI.---

---YES! I’M COMING, NO MATTER WHAT THE MENU OR THE SETTING,  
BECAUSE I’M SMART ENOUGH TO WANT TO BE PART OF WHAT’S  
HAPPENING AND, BESIDES, THEY MIGHT TALK ABOUT ME IF I’M  
NOT THERE.---

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The April edition of the AKC Gazette has published the latest registration statistics. The Puli ranks 97th out of 129 in dogs registered in 1986 and 103rd in litter registrations. We seem to stay in about the same place every year. Last year we dropped a couple of slots and this year we gained.

Puli fanciers have experienced some concern over the low status and are looking into making the Puli more popular. They feel that their breeding programs are restricted when it is difficult to find homes for their litters. This should limit the breeding to the best and keep out puppy mills and it does to some extent however in even the best litters, all Pulik are not created equal and pet homes must be found. The Puli is one breed where it seems to be more difficult to find a pet home than a show home.

More popular breeds have fluff appeal (Cockers and Chows), will accept anyone and jump on everyone’s lap (Poodles and Beagles) or jump through fire or off cliffs for their masters (Goldens and Shepherds). Before a Puli will jump through fire there had better be a damn good reason, and as for cliffs --- get serious!

Two of the reasons which contribute to the Puli being less popular are the same two reasons most of us love him; his unique coat and temperament. People, who enjoy having Pulik aren’t trend followers and don’t put external appearance over internal quality. Whether he’s corded, brushed or clipped, it’s living with a Puli that converts you.

Most Puli owners, like their breed, are independent, unassuming and secure with inner dignity. They also have an ability to let loose and be a clown and laugh at themselves. That’s us --- right? When an inquiry is received about obtaining a Puli, the enquirer is most often met with an investigation into his motives and ability to cope with the Puli’s independence and intelligence.... We are snobs in our own right. When anyone says that they have a dumb Puli, who do we usually suspect is lacking the smarts?

It appears that the only ways to make the Puli more popular are to change the breed’s characteristics or to change society. It may be very difficult, and breeders need to keep a strong hold on their programs, but I trust we aren’t going to change the breed.

Your President,
Rob Sky
CONFORMATION

PULI STANDARD IN MORE DETAIL

from "This is the Puli" By Leslie Benis (continuation)

COAT AND COAT COLOR

The Puli coat is as unique as the breed itself, to say the least. It is composed of a fine, very woolly, dense undercoat and a somewhat coarser, long, wavy or curly outer coat. The texture and the proportions of the outer coat and the undercoat make it the distinctive Puli coat. There is nothing exactly like it among other dog breeds. The coat of the Komondor, also a Hungarian Sheepdog, is nearest like that of the Puli, but it is still somewhat coarser in texture. The texture of the outer coat can vary from slightly wavy, to wavy, to curly. Nature tends to interweave this outer coat with the undercoat to form long uniform cords. The degree of waviness and the amount of the undercoat will determine the width of the cords, or, in the case of the combed Puli coat, the ability to cord. For the purposes of this book, it is technical enough for all practical purposes to say that the texture of the Puli coat is correct if it has a tendency to cling together and form cords.

Dr. Gcsag, a research scientist and a scholar regarding the Hungarian breeds, presented a technical paper at the World Kynologic congress in 1966. In this study he scientifically researched the Puli coat. For his purposes, he graded the coat by texture into seven categories. These categories ranged from the shoe-lace-like, narrow cords, through the ideal, half-inch, ribbon-like, flat cords, to the very wide, heavy, mat-like cords. All seven of these categories are within the requirements of the coat described in the standard. All the non-cording, silky, open coats were placed in the eighth category and labeled "non-standard" for the Puli.

Without the help of the microscope and all the electronic measuring devices of the modern age, Puli breeders have been aware for a long time that all Puli coats are not created equal. The curlier type coat tends to cord in narrow cords and is very hard to keep combed (as it twists into cords minutes after it is combed). The ideal Puli coat has the proper proportions of undercoat and outercoat with enough wave or curl to allow either method of grooming, without losing the tendency to cord. Some Puli coats do not have the tendency to cord at all, because of an improper balance between the undercoat and outercoat, or because they completely lack the necessary wave or curl. This coat is generally faulty and should be eliminated from the breed completely.

The quality and amount of coat as a basic measurement for the
Puli’s required appearance has developed through thousands of years of function. The standard describes it thoroughly, but it cannot be emphasized enough that the Puli’s coat should never be silky, regardless of the amount of care he receives or the method of grooming. A coat that approaches the straightness and silkiness of that of the Afghan, Maltese, or Silky Terrier cannot be considered a Puli characteristic, and having such a coat is a very serious fault. In most instances, the appearance of a silky coat is either an indication of an "unfaithful" Puli bitch somewhere in the background, or the sign of a long line of wrongly selected or overly inbred breeding stock.

Forooyears there was much debate among American breeders and owners on whether to comb or to cord the Puli’s coat. This should never have been the issue at all. The issue should have been that the Puli’s coat HAS TO HAVE the tendency to cord by itself. This is the characteristic that he brought with him from ancient times. The AKC Standard spells it out: "...the hair tending to cling together in bunches, giving a somewhat corded appearance even when groomed..."

In the early sixties, at the height of the "to comb or to cord" controversy, advocates of both sides ventured into extremes. Friends of the comb maintained that the cords are held together by dirt as a glueing agent and that clean Pulik could not be corded even if one wanted to cord them. Meanwhile the other side asserted that the combing of Pulik changes even their biochemical balance. One does not require an academic level of knowledge to disprove both of the above views. It seems to this writer that the cording controversy was perpetuated by several breeders who at the time were breeding Pulik with coats that could not be corded because they were faulty in being short, straight, silky, or sparse.

Owners of Puli puppies would do well if they would base their decision of the care of their dog’s coat on nature, rather than their personal likes and dislikes. If the young Puli is developing a heavy, wavy, thick coat, it can be kept either combed or corded. If the Puli puppy is showing a very dense and strongly curling coat, it more or less has to be corded if the owner wants to have any coat on the dog at all. When kept combed, this type of coat will always be shorter and require constant care. However, if it is left to cord, it will develop nice evenly sized cords and have the impressive unique Puli appearance.

It is well to mention here that only in America can the question of how to keep a Puli’s coat be made into an issue. In any other country where Pulik are known and shown, they have to be shown corded, and Pulik with combed coats are excused from the showing. Dr. Kubinszky, a well-known veterinarian from Budapest, Hungary, author of numerous books on dogs, a dog show judge of international reputation exclaimed while touring the U.S.: "To comb a Puli is like fighting nature itself. You can temporarily change his appearance, but if they have the proper coat texture, it must be real work to keep them that way." (to be continued.)
Since the AKC Obedience Regulations Chapt. 3 Sect. 6 requires a substantial deduction for failure of dog or handler to change pace noticeably for SLOW and FAST, - and since quite a few exhibitors fail to do so, - I will spend a little time with, what NORMAL, FAST, AND SLOW HEELINGS really mean, how to select the right speed so any changes in pace will be noticeable.

The best way to describe the speed of NORMAL HEELING is when we go towards some known place, with a definite goal in mind, - i.e. to pick up something at the corner Supermarket; or to drop off a misdelivered mail at the third or fourth neighbor’s house, - in which cases we usually step out, because we know where we are going, and we do it diligently, briskly.

The speed of FAST HEELING is described best when we not only know where we are going, but when we know that we must be there at a certain time and we are just about to be late. Obedience Regulations Chapt. 3, Sect. 5 describes FAST as it signifies that the handler and dog team is moving forward at a noticeably accelerated speed.

The speed of SLOW HEELING I used to compare to a motion, like when we go window shopping, without stopping, or when we go for an after dinner walk without a goal, with a comfortable stroll.

So, we can see that NORMAL, FAST AND SLOW HEELINGS are definitely 3 different speeds, which must be noticeable by the distances covered.

By knowing the above, we come to the conclusion that to achieve a perfect, smooth heeling, we have to select the most suitable, ideal normal speed, which is brisk and moving, and at the same time allows us to have enough strength for a good run in the fast heel. When we have these two selected, the third one, the slow heel must be accordingly proportionate.

Once we found the right speed, then we have to train for it.

People acquainted with classical music know the significance of the METRONOME - to select the right speed for MODERATO - NORMAL, ALLEGRO - FAST or ANDANTE - SLOW.
Since most people are driving cars, it makes more sense to use the different car speeds to describe how to select the right speed for NORMAL, FAST AND SLOW HEELINGS.

Let's see what I mean! I will present three groups. Group A for energetic, fast handlers and fast dogs; Group B for moderate, average speed handlers and dogs, and Group C for elderly, slower handlers with slower dogs.

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All three groups show noticeable differences as far as the requirements are concerned. Group A may be very flashy, and, if executed in the perfect way, it can be the decisive factor in a Run-Off; but as far as the qualifying scores are concerned, all three are the same in value.

If you investigate it, speaking in miles now, you’ll find the difference in GROUP A 20 miles speed between NORMAL and FAST (30-50) and 20 miles speed between NORMAL and SLOW (30-10).

By similar ratio you’ll find the speed differences between NORMAL and FAST (25-40) and NORMAL and SLOW (25-10) in GROUP B, but the quotient is 15 there.

While the difference in speed is 10 miles in GROUP C between NORMAL and FAST (20-30) and between NORMAL and SLOW (20-10), (I put 5 in the Summary for caution!) This 10 miles speed difference is still noticeable and won’t end up in penalty.

What I really wanted to explain is that there is no reason to lose points (substantially) in this part of the HEELING EXERCISE, and I hope that everybody will be able to find the right speed combination which suits best his or her and/or the dog’s ability.

Now, how can we apply this in everyday’s language:

THE BASIC SPEED IS 10 - WHICH IS THE LOWEST SPEED IN SLOW.

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IT IS IMPERATIVE TO SPEND TIME TO FIND THE MOST SUITABLE SPEED COMBINATION - ONCE THAT'S ESTABLISHED - THE TRAINING STARTS...
It is very important to develop a good feel for the specific speeds, especially for the LONG SLOW. Quite a few exhibitors fail the long slow by going slower and slower and slower. Finally so slow, that the dog sits. –

It is essential to concentrate, to train for it, to keep your speed the same. That applies to the NORMAL and to the FAST HEELING too. Keep your speed EVEN, and your dog will not be puzzled and guess what do you want from him.

Train for STRAIGHT HEELING — whether it's normal, fast or slow, GO STRAIGHT! I can never understand why some handlers go on the diagonal instead. I can find only one explanation, which is that they are not paying attention! –

Is that all? I mean, if I have selected the suitable speed for normal, fast and slow heeling — so that there is a noticeable difference between them — I will have a perfect score for that part of the heeling? NO — OH NO!!! This is just part of the heeling. The dog shall walk, heel close to the left side of the handler without swinging wide, lagging, forging, or crowding. In other words: THE DOG SHOULD BE, MUST BE IN HEEL POSITION ALL THE TIME!

(to be continued)

In the next issue: THE HEEL POSITION.
Naturally, we may also report some of the horror stories, with just the opposite sentiments, like when a Puli from the city was spooked so much by the judges, that it took good many hours until he was lured from his hiding place in the thick of the bushes....

Now, we want to raise a grave, and valid question:

**WHY DO THEN SO FEW PULIK, PUMIK AND MUDIK WORK WITH SHEPHERDS?**

We are quite certain and have proof of the natural instincts which predestine our sheepdogs to be good herders. But, it is also a fact that ignoring the importance of selection for decades, have definitely left its marks on the breeds.

It is not enough to have herding dogs be gifted with the ancient instinct, there are many other virtues necessary to fill the requirements of the ideal herding dog. For example possessing the virtue of being easily disciplined, the virtue of having gentle, yet firm touch in handling stock animals, etc...etc...

There are hypotheses, and arguments about the Pumik being better herding dogs, (the author uses the word “working dog” Ed.) than the Pulik because of the type, and length of coat Pumik have; also, seemingly there could be more general care in handling of the Pulik. Well!...Let’s see what we should do about this?...

First of all, we have serious obligations as breeders, to persuade today’s shepherds that our sheepdogs indeed are capable of herding.

Secondly, we the breeders must undertake some monetary sacrifice, quasi commitments, since the shepherds rarely pay money for a dog, however, the shepherd will always appreciate and value a good herding dog.

Last, but not least, I strongly believe, that our herding dogs should not only be shown in conformation classes at dog shows, but we should organize working classes (which probably would be equivalent with the Herding Instinct Test in the U.S. (comment by the Ed.)), and demonstrate their knowledge and ability in herding.
WE MUST ESTABLISH A MEDIA THROUGH WHICH OUR ANCIENT HERDING DOGS CAN BE EVALUATED IN THEIR FIELD WHAT THEY DO BEST!!!

This statement I want to stress with grand fervor, as it is of utmost importance. Since our herding dogs, the Pulik, the Pumik, the Mudik, when employed in full field work - may not have exquisite, so called show coat, and consequently are denied receiving higher awards in conformation.

I believe, this might be the reason why many breeders usually don't let their dogs be trained for field work. I must emphasize: IT SHOULD BE TOP PRIORITY TO INTRODUCE AND INSTITUTE JUDGING OF FIELD-WORK BY THE HERDING DOGS, SO THAT THOSE INDIVIDUALS MAY ACHIEVE HIGHER AWARDS AND ACKNOWLEDGMENTS, THAT WOULD PROVE THESE ANCIENT BREEDS SUITABLE FOR TODAY'S HERDING ASSIGNMENTS.

I am fully aware of the difficulties which each and every herding dog breeder/owner face to create the right environment for the utopian theory I have outlined above.

I understand also, that it is a hard task to persuade the man of the Fuszta (Hungarian Prairie) to accept today's Pulik, Pumi and Mudik individuals, bred in the cities, for guarding properties, are equally capable of herding and are just as good if not better than the mixed-breed ones, chosen by the shepherds so often, from so many different herding breeds.

As a breeder, I believe that we should set the direction where we are headed; we must prove that the exterior beauty of our Pulik, Pumik and Mudik may have to be sacrificed to a certain extent for the benefit of the inner beauty. That is the only way to keep all the important values and attributes intact and alive.

To summarize the previous, strong statements, I trust, we can indeed hold together our herding dogs' work and beauty with proper breeding.

We are working presently on establishing regulations for a working competition for our herding dogs, and our aim is that a compulsory working test be a prerequisite for obtaining the Hungarian Championship for the Pulik, Pumik and Mudik.

This would be the basis and a solid ground for the Hungarian Herding Dogs - after the tedious, meticulous preparation, to establish a quality standard, a stronghold, similar to what strong standards the competition, like the Collies, the German Shepherds are holding so strong for a long time.

Translated and transcribed by Tessa Adam
At a Herding Instinct Test, a qualified Tester supervises the introduction of individual dogs to livestock. Usually ducks or sheep, to ascertain the dog's reaction.

One by one, the dogs are brought into a large pen or arena. The Tester encourages the dog to herd the stock. The owner is in the area with the Tester, but usually doesn't take an active part unless experienced with stockdog training. The dogs are tested off-lead or with lead dragging.

The initial reactions of the dogs will vary: uncertainty or disinterest, or strong interest with attempts to circle the stock or follow the stock about, or aggressive pursuit. Some dogs show immediate interest, others require several minutes for the instinct to come through. While some might not test favorably the first time, needing more exposure for interest to build, then demonstrate instinct at a subsequent test.

The tester fills out an evaluation sheet with indications of the dog's style. Dogs which evidence herding instinct are passed, and the owner receives a copy of the testing form. The owner also receives a Certificate of Herding Instinct; the dog is entitled to the initials "HIC" after their name, signifying "Herding Instinct Certified."

Herding instinct is a precious part of a Herding Breed's Heritage. Because it is only apparent in certain circumstances, it can too easily be lost in breeding. Natural instinct is a vital part of the herding dog. It is extremely difficult to mechanically train a dog to herd which has no natural instinct. The instinct has to be there, to be refined and guided by training, even dogs which have never seen stock, having lived all their lives in a city, will demonstrate their herding instinct. It is thrilling to see a dog start right in as if it weren't at all something new.

At a Herding Instinct Test, the dog will demonstrate that it can function under pressure, adapting to new situations, new people, strange animals of a kind the dog may never have seen before. Some people believe that herding is an anachronism, but this belief is erroneous. Working stockdogs are in great demand on ranches and farms. One dog can do the work of several men, far more economically. Herding Trials are continually growing in popularity. Herding Instinct Testing is a way to preserve the unique heritage of the herding breeds and open up new challenges. The qualities that make a good herding dog, trainability, adaptability, loyalty, soundness of body and character, agility, grace ... are important in many areas, and contribute so much towards making the dog an outstanding companion as well.
The arrival of the Magyars on the European scene accomplished its predestination. The Carpathian Basin appeared to be the Place to stay, to settle down, bear children and finally, establish a solid life in a valley surrounded by a natural border on the North, East, and on the South, by the Carpathian Mountains; however, left open, and vulnerable on the rolling hills and flatland of the West.

It was rather difficult to fit into the new environment, as the Magyars were pagans amongst the flourishing Christian nations, and furthermore, the frightening memories of the damnable escapades of the Huns still haunted them, not hiding their hostilities towards these new aliens who reminded them of the cruel past. These traumatic memories overshadowed the budding attempts of the Hungarians to transform from well-disciplined, sturdy warriors to humble members of peaceful settlements.

The following decades proved clearly, that in order to keep their home, the only way the Magyars were able to survive was to fight, instead of learning from the neighboring countries, they taught their fellowmen bitter lessons by raiding their countries. Fierce battles swept through Austria, Germany, Italy, Switzerland, even the Magyars were venturing into the far West, as Spain.

The Magyars enjoyed their great advantage over the European nations; their secret was the superiority in bravery and endurance. They carried no heavy armor, but were armed only with a light slightly curved sword, and arrows, their horses were fast and lean. The men and their horses were protected only by lightweight tough, but resilient leather which did not hold their speed down.

After about forty years of terrorizing wars the Magyars suffered their first defeat in 933 A.D. at Merseburg, then a couple of decades later in 955 A.D., the famous defeat, at Augsburg. It was exactly 60 years after they crossed the Pass of Verecke in 895 A.D. The Magyar forces were decimated, it appeared to be a milestone in the nation's history. To remain alive on the map, their lives had to be changed, to assimilate to their neighbors. Consequently, by the influence of the West, the Magyars slowly abandoned the pagan lifestyle, and eventually the people adopted Christianity, however, in the hearts of some the pagan rites were still observed.

Vajk, the great leader of the Magyars had good visions of the centuries to come, and joined rather the Roman Catholicism than the Byzantine Church. By his choice, Geza (Vajk's Christian name) made Hungary a bastion of the western Christendom for thousand years to come. Furthermore, Geza strengthened Hungary's connections with the West, and obtained the hand of Gizella, the daughter of the Bavarian Prince Henry II for his son, István, who became the first King of Hungary after the death of his father.

Impressions by: Tessa Adam (to be continued)
Goldie Brigante's letter to Rita Sikes Oct. 28, 1986

Dear Rita,

I was going to write to Terry about your question in the Puli Parade, but your letter tells me that you need help now.

I agree about chasing stock, sheep are very timid. You will have to teach Smokey some manners. It sounds like he has good instinct, he needs to be taken among the animals, which will let him come close for a smell. Best is to start with new lambs, which do not run away, let the dogs lick the lambs, if this is not possible, lambing time is later, then perhaps you could board a few seasoned sheep for a few days, then spend several short sessions with the sheep during the day, if this is not possible, then put Smokey on leash and take him out among the herd. I feel Smokey would simmer down within a week.

Do practice the recall often, this will slow him down a lot. I usually sit down with the temptation (the sheep) pet it, love it, talk to the dog soothingly, make him know that this is "family", it is not to be chased. Once he has learned this in a close pen, he has to be watched when other sheep come around, keep the dog close, do not let him run loose far, this is why the recall is so important. Do not punish the dog for a mistake, the punishment should be for ignoring the recall. Punishment for heeding his instinct will result in a frustrated dog, you have to prevent a mistake by your foresight.

So give him a chance to know the sheep, he is a pup yet, displaying wonderful instinct, he just does not know what to do with it.

Talk to him lovingly, introduce him to sheep, teach good recall, keep him close, if needed on leash and he will learn.

Keep track of your progress and methods and write a letter to the Puli Parade it may help someone else.

Good luck,

Goldie

Dear Terry, in your call you mentioned that Goldie was waiting to hear of our progress with Smokey and the sheep. Well as sometimes happens with me things have run amuck. I'll catch you up on all the developments.

Goldie

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SMOKEY AND THE SHEEP

Last Fall I sent an absolutely panic-stricken letter to Goldie.

The conditions that prompted this letter were as follows:
1. We live where my husband works. This is a 250,000 acres ranch
that runs about 32-35,000 sheep and several thousands of cattle.

2. The people are great to work for. They are, however, ranchers, and follow the same policy of many ranchers. The only good, loose dog is a dead dog.

As Goldie pointed out in one of her letters, (I hope I have credited the right person with the comment) the policy of shooting loose dogs is a necessity. Because we understand this policy, our Puli are fenced in, or are loose only when we are with them.

Smokey was at the time of my letter to Goldie about 14 months old. He decided the sheep looked like more fun than staying with the "Boss Lady".

These old ewes, about 30 in number were in about 20 acres or so. These wise, old ewes were a tad bit flighty. (Understatment!) Well, 10 minutes later I caught Smokey. He was pleased with himself. My temper was shot primarily due to the pictures in my mind of one dead Puli had he been caught in his mischief making. The result a panic letter to Goldie.

I am enclosing her answer in hope that it may help someone else in similar situation. (Goldie's letter is in front of Rita's. Ed.)

Our progress with Smokey has been slow, but I am pleased. The slow progress is due to the time of the year, and the fact that with children and substitute teaching, my life often goes astray. I also spend a lot of time waiting for the phone to ring.- (Would someone please contribute an article to Puli Parade on how to be organized?)

First of all, my very thoughtful husband re-fenced the yard. We now have an area 70 ft. by 100 ft. or so to practice our obedience. I am stressing the recall both on and off leash.

Lu Bove, our head Puli rarely falters on a recall. (I didn't dare say "never".) So often I put the two dogs in the yard loose and say "Come". Smokey, of course, is not going to be left out. I give a ton of praise, for good behavior.

I am beginning to take Smokey within the sheep pasture on leash. We are not getting close as I don't want him overexcited if they run.

Lambing should start in a month or so and I hope to pick up a couple young ones then. Till then we'll keep up or recall practice and walking a respectable distance from the old ewes.

Happy Herding,

Rita and the Flock,

Jesse, Kelly, Sam,

Prydain Lu Bove, Prydain Surmo, and Whidbeys Alorn
Dear Mrs. Hidassy,  


As a new partner of a Puli, I wanted to write this note, to let you know the joy, fun and frustration in having our Blue Berry as a family member. Easily recognizable in "Puli Parade" - just a little more so: smarter, funnier, in charge, etc.——?

We are grateful to Barbara Edwards, Connie Peterson and Ruth Boatright for sharing with us this fine little girl.

Thank you, fondly,

Genevieve Moore
Dear Terry,

Hi there!

I really enjoyed this last Puli Parade. The efforts of all are to be applauded. YEAH!

I have a suggestion for the "For What It's Worth" department. Would it be possible to publish the complete addresses of the contributors?

Several times I have wished I could express sympathy, caring or understanding to someone experiencing the loss of a friend. I think a personal touch is often needed. Or even a "Well Done".

I don't feel this would lessen the letters shared in Puli Parade!

Thanks again for a place to share my thoughts,

Rita Sikes

Editor's Comment!

Of course Rita, I agree with you fully. I can promise you, that as soon as our Secretary and our Treasurer will hand over to me the complete list of our Members for 1987, I'll publish the list. Thank you for a marvellous suggestion. I believe everybody will win by being able to contact each other, and express our deep feelings at a time of need.

Keep the excellent comments and suggestions coming.

Your Editor

Dear Scamp,

Hi there! Your letter in the Jan/Feb. Puli Parade was great. I'm really relieved to know that another Puli has a difficult or is it unobservant owner. I noticed that right away when you mentioned the heeling. I can believe it when you mentioned her lagging behind! Sometimes training our people is hard work. But enough chit-chat, I'll get to the important part.

WILL YOU BE THERE? WILL YOU?

Where? AT THE P.N.C. SPECIALTY!!! IN MAY!!!

I sure hope so. I'd love to meet you. Maybe we could compare notes on training people. Believe me mine needs training! She even calls herself the "Boss Lady".

I've heard "Boss Lady" dreaming for the past several months of a trip to California. But "Boss Lady" dreams a lot, so I didn't take this seriously. If I had I would have worked harder to beco-
me No. 1.

Then in the course of many other odds, and ends, "Head Man" told "Boss Lady" to check on plane fare and go.

Holy Cow! They were serious! I really was scared when they started talking about what dog to take. The list went like this:

CH. Prydain LuBove (LuBa) could always use another title. After all shouldn't we do this on age. (Age - I thought - she's too fat to go across the street.) How was I suppose to know all that was muscle and hair.

Next was Whidbeys Alorn (Smokey). He is a kid and "Boss Lady" has talked to Goldie about him. She really wants him to have an HC after his name. After all Smokey is young and eager. (Eager I thought. That foolish pup would make no friends than herd sheep or anything else for that matter. Excitement for him is upside down, feet in the air watching TV with the "Head Man".)

My paws shook when I heard the next discussion. Prydain Surmo - that's me. - Assets - She bounces a lot. She devoted to her Sam kid, She comes most of the times. She's a great watch dog. Oh no - the assets and liabilities are getting mixed together. Will being devoted to Sam mean "Fred" won't work for "Boss Lady?" Watch dog. - Does this mean she'll not follow directions from the herding tester? (Come on guys! I fumed - give me a break. I know I'm a little foolish sometimes but deep down I'm pure grit and determination. Is it my fault "Boss Lady" you haven't dug deep enough?)

Well, I paced up and down waiting for the decision. I wanted to bark - "If it can't be just me, take us all three." But these folks droned on about money and plane travel, I know plane travel is fun, but the money stuff must really hamper our people in deciding things.

Then POW - all my worries were for nothing. Money and plane travel had nothing to do with this. The on consideration was not leaving the kids (people type) without each having a dog at home, two kids two dogs stay behind.

Next decision wasn't even based on real logic, I'll never understand these people. LuBa went last year so Fred will go this time. Smokey is young and has lots of time. Oh well, I won't complain.

CALIFORNIA HERE I COME!!

Happy Herding

Prydain Surmo (Fred)

P.S. I'd rather have a map, but I guess I'll have to bring "Boss Lady" instead. See you soon.
Dear Terry,

April 87

A short article by Dr. Diane Smith in the "News in Brief" section of the Jan/Feb 87 "Puli Parade" on the use of surgical glue in the removal of puppies' dewclaws prompted me to write you this letter on my experiences with dewclaws.

During my first few years in Pulis I watched a variety of dewclaw removal techniques practiced by several different veterinarians. One stitched, one used Band aids, one used a styptic pencil (which I felt made the puppies protest louder than the actual cutting of the claw), one simply cut off the claws and let the dam clean up the blood. Then I read Hilary Harmar's book: "Dogs and How To Breed Them". This book gave details of how to cut off the claws while causing little or no bleeding. It sounded a better method from anything I had observed so far, and at the same time I could avoid a trip to the vet with a very young litter, and save the cost of paying the vet to do it. My kindly veterinarian is all for keeping me from cluttering up his waiting room with trivia, and he demonstrated dewclaw removal for me. A prominent local breeder who has done the dewclaws in her own toy breed for many years also gave me lessons, and these demonstrations, combined with the advice from Hilary Harmar's book resulted in my removing dewclaws in the following way.

The secret is in applying pressure just above the dewclaw for about ten seconds, then releasing the pressure and very quickly cutting off the dewclaw. There is often no bleeding at all, and what there is, is minimal. The pressure seems to cut off the blood flow to the dewclaw temporarily, and may also numb the area for a short while so the puppy is hardly aware of the procedure; I have had puppies sleep right through it. There is some bleeding if the pressure is not held for long enough; ten seconds seems to be about right. Hilary Harmar does recommend that the pressure be kept on during the cutting and for a few seconds afterwards, but I have found this somewhat awkward. Any bleeding is usually very minimal and little Kwikstop takes care of it. The wound is small and clean and forms a scab which soon heals to new pink flesh which quickly grows hair. I have never noticed any scarring - but on a Puli, who would?

Yours sincerely,

Stephanie Horan

Dear Terry,

March 21 87

Your question on bathing methods, no doubt will bring you a flood of mail. Here is my two cents worth.

We live in a mild climate, and our bathing season corresponds with it.

We have a bathtub on top of a couple of cement blocks in the yard, it is at convenient standing height.
In the Spring when the dogs go swimming at their free will in the lake, we feel it is safe to wash them (only if needed).

We keep water in the tub for the Sun to warm it, it takes us several days to prepare the dogs for a bath. They get their ears cleaned, their teeth scraped and brushed (with baking soda), toenails clipped, annal glands evacuated. The water is made luke warm, to a full tub I add a cup of Basic H (a Shaklee product), the dog gets a drop of Castor oil in the eyes and gets washed, we do not use any other soap or shampoo, we never even rinse, the Basic H is safe, and it will repel fleas some.

We bathe the dogs seldom as possible. They are locked up until dry in a warm draft-free place.

Goldie Brigante

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Dear Terry, Baltimore, Maryland, March 5,87

Read about the Dogamat, on page 38 of Puli Parade, Jan./Feb. 87 issue. Went to a local salvage company and bought a tub - a newer type - that the kind on legs, at any rate I bought the tub. Sometimes you can find them in the newspaper column for Sale and get someone to build a frame of 2x4's to a comfortable height. Have the plumber hook the spray up and you can even buy a hair trap in the Plumbing supplies. Your plumber will know how to get one for you. The whole set up wasn't that expensive. I always had a floor type dryer as I brushed my Puli dry while on the grooming table, having shown the brushed coated one. And I used a rubber bath mat, people type, on the bottom of the tub. As the porcellain tub is also slippery. I think I paid $20.00 for the tub, $15.00 for the bath mat, and probably $50.00 to the plumber. Can't remember the price of the hair trap but if you buy and older type tub, steel wool in the drain outlet is a lot cheaper than a trap.

I say, put it in a Utility toom and you can wash dog covers in the tub too.

Love,

Mary Bell Devlin
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P.S.

Terry, maybe you can type this and use any parts you like in your news letter. (I like it all Mary, thank you, just keep on writing.)

Also, can you send me Rita Sikes' address I want to tell her how I enjoyed her article.
It is amazing, how people try to reach out, to enjoy each other’s thoughts. It was Rita, who has also asked for addresses of Puli Parade Readers, well, I will hurry up and print it as soon as I’ll get the list from our Treasurer. But until then, I am pretty sure Rita will be very happy if I gave her address to you now:

RITA SIKES  
F.O. BOX 1309  
DOUGLAS, WYOMING 82633

In regards to finding homes for puppies through Puli Parade, I am afraid, we cannot assist everybody, as if we solicit one we must do it for others as well. We would need to know the breeders and the lineage, and it would become quite cumbersome. Besides, our Policy does not permit it. (Editor)

There are numerous letters with various problems in the San Francisco Chronicle referencing medical queries, solutions which are answered by Dr. Dean Edell, a quite well known physician, who turned into medical advisor, commentator, talk show host, and even TV guest, besides his column in large, syndicated newspapers such as the Chronicle.

Last January Dr. Edell was discussing severe infections caused by bacteria entered in the bloodstream through hair acting as a transmitting agent.

Here are some excerpts from Dr. Edell’s thoughts which I found quite exciting and relating indirectly to our Pulik too.

As a routine in hospitals surgeons shave a patient before surgery, yet this fact can increase the rate of wound infection. The reason for shaving is because it supposedly decreased the rate of infection. However, the opposite seems to be true.

Nevertheless, many surgeons continue this unnecessary practice.

Well, here is a tip from an emergency room physician concerning shaving your head prior to stitching up a wound. Normally, doctors will shave the area before placing your sutures. This in turn leaves you with a bald spot for months.

This physician says, braid a patient’s hair into corn rows around the wound site, then secure these braids with tape and that should give you a clear field for suturing a wound. The problem is that most doctors don’t know, and have not learned corn rowing in the medical schools.

Just think for a minute! Our Pulik are pre-braided, aren’t they?

Maybe Pulik need not to be shaved if operated on, and their hair would not get any bacteria into the bloodstream to cause infection.
The Case of the Missing Leg or Amanda’s Christmas Morning.

Any fellow Puli owners who live by the adage... "it’s easier to panic" will appreciate this short story.

Christmas morning, all the Pulik came inside after their morning romp. Each was given breakfast cookie and a Christmas Nylabone. I suddenly was aware that Amanda was leaning slightly to one side and one rear leg was drawn up so tightly against her body that it seemed to disappear into her coat. I suppressed the urge to scream. Here was my group placing bitch about to come out of 2-1/2 years of retirement after cording and she appeared to be crippled! And I just entered her at Westminster.

My paramedic training taught me to study a situation calmly before drawing any conclusions. I looked again at my leaning dog. Her tail was wagging, the nylabone clamped firmly in her mouth and her leg tight up against her body. No obvious pain and no foot on the ground either. I knelt down to her. Amanda took this to mean that mom wanted her nylabone. She tried to dart away, lost her balance and fell on her side. I turned her so that I could see her leg and then I noticed that the "injured" limb was twitching spasmodically in her fur. I reached over and removed a snagged toe nail from a cord thereby returning my dog to four footed status.

Amanda stood in the kitchen still wagging her tail, still clamping her nylabone between her teeth. Oh, brother....... 

Abbe Armband Henkel
Tooet Pulik
West Babylon, NY

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LAUREL COLTON’S DID YOU KNOW ?

After telling countless people about a once a month heartworm pill, it may be late spring or early summer before it is available at your vets?

Mineral Oil when used regularly to clean your Pulis ears will prevent ear mites?

About Ivermectin – an anti-parasite drug for intestinal worms? Sarcoptic mange, fleas and ticks and maybe a heartworm preventive? It has not been approved by the FDA. It is also sold under the name of EQVALAN, a paste for horses. Has been used with many other breeds and caused severe reactions. Check it out carefully!

Before refilling your dogs’ water dish be sure to let the cold water run a couple of minutes? Why? To remove any lead that may build up in the water pipe joints...
by: Petrusné, Harcsás Márta, Síófok, Hungary

BLAZING TRAILS ABROAD

WORLD SHOW THROUGH THE WIDE EYES OF A YOUNG PULI

My name is Gubanc. I am a proud, young, three years old, corded Puli gentleman. I suppose I am lucky, since so far, I have attended numerous Dog Shows here in Hungary. My Masters made sure to socialize me enough so that I had to learn how to behave properly and be ready when the big times will arrive.

From my early puppyhood I was exhibited a lot, I was led into the "Magic Circle" where strange persons touched me, checked my teeth, my eyes, my body,—that I really didn't mind,—then I was allowed to run around, then all of the sudden I had to stop, stand and stay motionless... in other words, I was trained so I was able to present myself at the very best conformation at those Dog Shows.

There was only one important thing, my natural instinct, which I couldn't give up though, not even at my mature age of 3 years: as a true Puli, I did not let any strangers come too close to my Masters. I was somehow forced to "advise them" in "Puli language" "Hey, hey,—pay attention to me— they are in my care, that is my territory..." I found out that people are pretty observant and they respect authority! They go even further, they remark about my great temperament. That I really can't get through my head, why are they so surprised? That is my duty!

The three of us traveled a lot together—Oh! I beg your pardon! sometimes the four of us. How could I forget Krisztina, the young lady of our house, my Young Master, who accompanied us when we were showing in the vicinity.

After I reached the adult classes in Open Conformation, I safely tucked away 5 CAC's, within a year's time. How do I know that? Let me tell you! After the stranger,—with an unfamiliar scent—would touch my body all over in the show ring, then would let me stand, away from the rest of the crowd, then would let me run around a lot, then, would still be staring at me with long, pensive look, sometimes it was quite uncomfortable in the beginning, finally, all of the sudden would rush to my Lady Master with warm congratulations, then would place lovely, colorful ribbons around my neck... I didn't get it at first.— When I was a puppy, I got blue and white ribbons, then later red-white-and green ribbons. Oh! how proudly I pranced around the ring to show off my beauty and my winnings to my competitors, and gave them a lesson how a winner must behave... Then, at home I got more and hearty congratulations with extra compliments...and treats...

Oh! Yes! I know, it's important to collect a lot of titles. It is also important to have nice, corded coat, to have all my beauti-
ful white teeth in my mouth, and they should have the perfect
scissor-bite, then, of course, I also need to have good body
structure, strong, healthy bones, because I have many duties to
fulfill as well, I have several Puli wives at home...

When My Lady Master gets excited and starts to groom my coat, -
which - only between us - I cannot stand - Well, I know, that a
Show is coming up. But now, I had a feeling that there was some­
thing very special at hand, since she started weeks before to
arrange the hair in my coat, and bathing time took longer, almost
an eternity. I should have gotten accustomed to these treatments,
but that was really being overdone. Even the drying of my coat
took longer. - My God!, how much water is needed to be clean? I
have so much hair in my coat! Well, I suppose, that's life! -

The car was being loaded. I hoped they will finish soon, but it's
so funny, whenever, I think they are ready to leave, they always
find something still missing, and they run to the house to get
it. I was already sitting in the car, when... "Hey! What's up
Zsófi?!?" - that's my silver-grey Pumi friend. - "Are you coming
with us too?" - "Come on, I can move over there's plenty of space
here; - also, we have traveled along together before, right?" -

Finally, we started off,- that's good! I love to ride in the car!
But, - "That's a bit too much! - we are not used to travel so
long in the car!" I exclaimed. I thought the car will never stop!
But it did. Gosh!, what a huge city it was. But, what were they
talking about? I couldn't make out! - Hey, I don't understand a
word of it! I can't understand my Masters! Gosh! What am I to do?
And, there's no sign of other dogs, that is not a dog show!

Wait, here come some people who greet my Masters, they apparently
must know each other, so I should treat them as such, they must
be off limits. I can't even get my two-cents-worth in!

I can't believe it! I hope they don't want me to climb those
thousands of steps?!? At home, I am not even allowed to cross the
threshold! Now, my Lady Master pats my back assuringly, so, it
looks like I must gather my strenght and try to conquer those
confounded, endless steps! - Finally, we are up somewhere! -
Shall I go in? Or, stay outside? But where? Now, I am inside,
Wow, I must admit, what luxurious deep carpet! It's quite strange
I am not used to it! I am accustomed to dust, mud, and snow. But
this isn't bad at all! And! what a surprise! I can sleep at the
foot of my Masters' bed! Wow! This never happened before! But,
we have to go to sleep. Our Masters have already scolded us.
But, is surely is strange here. There is no air in here! Well!
Soon it will be morning - I hope! -Gosh! it's so good to smell
the fresh air. No! What is it! We are getting in the car again!

Greetings! Or, rather my Puli yelpings to everyone! That must be
the Show Grounds we are coming to. Yeah, what a Show! All dogs
look so fancy, all prettied up, some of them a bit overdone though
but, I have never seen anything like it! - "Gee, you have a nice
fragrance Afghan Lady!, and you Little Shih-Tzu Lady, you even
have a nice bough in your hair. And what a huge place is this, with several gates. One doesn't have to wait in line to get in! -

Yes, doctor, - I have all my papers in order, - but cannot understand what you are talking about! What language are you speaking?

Gee, this will be a 3-days show, I heard. Of course, they cannot handle 9000 dogs in one day, not even in such a huge place.

Well, here I can recognize some of my show buddies, however, there are more strange dogs than I have ever seen in my life. They are all freshly bathed, look like they came out of famous beauty salons, but they don't speak and understand Hungarian Puli language. Gee, we have to wait an awful long time till the judges go over the junior classes. But, there are quite a few lovely ones. And the girls, they really look terrific. All right! Hey! There is a cute, dark-eyed Puli Gal with gorgious coat, she got the Best Prima Junior Title. Wow! ...but, before I wonder off in my dreams, I believe, they are calling for us. We are the Open Class Gentlemen. Right! My God! there is an enormous lot of competition here, we can hardly fit into that huge ring. Wow!

- Now, why is my Lady Master so excited? She is usually quite calm. What is wrong with her? - "Look, Lady Master, here is the guy in front of us, who beat us last week at the Hungarian CACIB Show, and we had to get the Reserve CACIB title." - She got even worse, it was very trying for Lady Master. But why? - "Don't worry" I told her, "my tail is up and I run nicely next to you, - you see, we are doing fine, we do what we always do, run in circles, after the strange one, the Judge has gone through my body." - "What's that?" I think the Judge likes me, his eyes are on me all the time! - "Get moving Lady!" - I exclaimed. "Beat the iron till it's hot!" What's now? We have to stay alone, at the side, while the others are still running. Why? But, no problem, with that, it's good to rest a while! We are running again, it looks like I won something, my Lady Master is really pale, she is trembling! But... no, gee, I can't do that here!

I wish she would calm down a bit! It's so much fun here. We are waiting again, time is dragging on and we're doing nothing. - I must stay still, but then on the other hand, I just have to bark a little, just to show them that I am a Hungarian Puli. "You see, did you see that?" - "Lady Master, we got an Austrian Ribbon, I told you so, you see!"

Heavens, finally, we got out of the ring. I cannot understand, why are they so happy, I knew that all the time that I will win! - But, it is not over yet! I cannot let my "glory" go to my head, as now, we have to look at the Champion Pulik and measure them up, because I will be competing against them shortly. There are quite a few, real good looking Pulik here, 9 in number, in fact.

"Look Lady Master, we are in the ring again! We are only four of us now! The spectators move up closer, the air is full with electricity. We are going for the BIG WIN now. It will matter who will
get the WORLD CHAMPION title! How exciting! That's a nice challenge. Good God! Lady Master is now at the brink of fainting, and now the Judge asked us again to move to the side! God! I hope we are not disqualified?

Then, suddenly what do my Puli eyes see? The Judge brings the ribbon for the World Champion and gives it to my Lady Master. Everybody burst out in a long, wild applause, and my Lady Master allowed herself a guarded smile through the veil of her tears of joy. Hurray! Hurray! Hurray! we are the World Champions!

I was a bit confused, how shall I behave now that I have the "Big Title". Lots of things ran through my mind, jumping of joy, etc., than it came to me clearly. I must be as a true Puli and as an always obedient individual of my breed, faithful to my Masters, living up to their expectations, and act like a proud, well-behaved Hungarian Puli. Then I feel I will deserve my name and title:

NAGYDIÓSI GUBANC, WORLD CHAMPION.

It was a very touching, heart-warming scene. In the huge, spacious Hall, by the moving music of the Hungarian Hymn, the World Champions of the Hungarian breeds paraded around, many hundreds of people applauded the winners and we felt so proud to be there. In front of me was the majestic Komondor, followed by the Kuvasz, then I came in line, followed by a white Puli, then the Pumi, the Transsylvanian Kopo, the Hungarian Greyhound, the Wire-haired Vizsla and the Vizsla at last, but not least.

We felt like under a special spell, and dreamed about our progenies who might reach many distant countries in the world, and will carry our message, to show and prove the unusual, noble values and characters of the ancient Hungarian Breeds.

Well, this is what happened to me at the Austrian World Show in 1986 where I became World Champion. Since then, I obtained another unique title at home, which is called in Hungarian:

"BABÉRKOSZORUS HUNGARIAN CHAMPION"

translated into: Hungarian Champion with Laurel-Wreath.

After all these excitement, we still live a modest life in Hungary, I am entrusted by my Masters, which I return with loyalty and with my pleasing them by supplying continuation of the Nagydiósi line. My offsprings are doing pretty well. One of my daughters received nine times HPJ (Hungaria Prima Junior) title, and the others are all bringing not only joy but titles as well.

Translated and transcribed by: Terry Hidassy

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Coming next: "TUCSI FINDS A NEW HOME"

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Pancreatitis is an inflammation of the pancreas, the organ which produces both digestive enzymes and the blood sugar-regulating hormone insulin.

There are two forms of pancreatitis, chronic and acute. Chronic pancreatitis, by far the less common of the two forms, appears to be breed related, appearing most often in Yorkshire Terriers and Miniature Schnauzers.

Acute pancreatitis can appear without warning in any breed. Dogs with acute pancreatitis stop eating, vomit, are depressed and have abdominal pain, fever, and sometimes diarrhea. The inflammation impairs the insulin-producing ability of the pancreas as well, so some dogs develop symptoms of diabetes.

Most cases of acute pancreatitis probably improve spontaneously in a day or two. The dog simply refuses to eat, and the rest cures the pancreatic problem. Other dogs linger for days without eating or drinking, and because there is no sure test to determine what ails them, they may be put to sleep if their condition fails to improve.

Other intestinal diseases share these symptoms. David Williams, B.V.M.,Ph.D. of the University of Florida, is working to develop a specific test to diagnose pancreatitis through a grant from Morris Animal Foundation.

One enzyme, trypsinogen, comes only from the pancreas. (Some digestive enzymes are produced in other organs as well as the pancreas.) Dr. Williams developed a test which accurately measures trypsinogen in the blood. Small amounts are normally found in the blood stream, indicating that the pancreas is active.

The trypsinogen is inactive until it enters the small intestine, where it is converted to an active digestive enzyme, trypsin. Scientists think that in pancreatitis the trypsinogen is abnormally converted to trypsin while still in the pancreas. Since it is a digestive enzyme, it begins to digest the pancreas itself. It also abnormally activates other digestive enzymes. All of these, including trypsin, leak out of the inflamed pancreas into the bloodstream, where they may cause life-threatening complications.
All indications are that active trypsin appears in the blood only during pancreatitis. The active trypsin quickly bonds with another larger molecule, a trypsin inhibitor. Dr. Williams will test for this unit. The bond with the inhibitor help differentiate the active trypsin from the trypsinogen which is normally in the blood. This test should help veterinarians establish firm diagnosis of pancreatitis.

Once the disease is diagnosed, food and water can be withheld from the animal for a few days. If the dog’s condition doesn’t improve rapidly, the dog can be given treatments in an attempt to inhibit the action of the enzymes which are causing the pancreatic inflammation. A reliable test will help to evaluate the effectiveness of such treatment.

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**CANINE SKIN CANCER**

Veterinarians are adapting many discoveries in human cancer to use in treating their patients. Cancer is one of the leading causes of death in dogs, along with heart and kidney disease.

Skin cancer, the most common form of canine cancer, offers an opportunity for the knowledge gained from human cancer treatment to be used in treating dogs.

University of Georgia scientists are using these techniques to identify specific cancers. Principal investigators in the study, funded by Morris Animal Foundation, are J.R. Duncan, D.V.M., Ph.D. E.A. Mahaffey, D.V.M., Ph.D. and C.B. Andreasen, D.V.M.

Dr. Mahaffey explained that the word cancer is used to describe a great number of diseases, which can be bad, worse and worst. To give the dog owner an idea of what the future holds for his pet, veterinarians must be able to identify the type of cancer.

Cell biologists studying the structure of cells learned that there are different types of protein filaments in the cells. They identified these by size and type. One size, called intermediate filaments, differs according to the type of tissue where it originates. For instance, muscle intermediate filaments are different from those in skin or nerve tissue.

When they began examining tumors of known origin they found that the tumor, no matter where it was found in the body, retained intermediate filaments appropriate to the tissue where the cancer originated.

Since skin tumors are the most common form of canine cancer, the Georgia scientists decided to focus on these for their study. If they can determine where a tumor originated, often this helps predict whether surgery, chemotherapy or radiation will be most effective in treating it.
Finding the intermediate fibers is not too difficult in a biopsy specimen, a relatively large portion of tumor removed surgically.

But the Georgia group hopes to adapt the technique to cytology, a process of removing a few cells by scraping or by aspirating them through a needle. Since so few cells are removed, they lose their orientation to other tissues and become more difficult to identify in cytology specimens.

However, cytology is more comfortable for a dog. Many canine cancer victims are elderly, and older dogs are a poorer risk for the anesthesia necessary to obtain a biopsy specimen. If the technique is successful, veterinary practitioners could take the cytology specimens and submit them to screening laboratories just as they do blood samples.

The Georgia scientists hope that their study will develop one more tool to use in the arsenal against canine cancer.

YOUR PULI WOULD LIKE TO KNOW

by: Laurel Colton

Puppies need acceptable chewies while teething. Start them out on cold carrots. In the whelping box!!!

I need my own secure sleeping spot or to get away from the world while I chew a bone.

I never want to be left out in the yard while you are at work. I'll bark and disturb the neighborhood!

I want to be loved each day. Especially if I am over seven years old. I need a hands on body check so little problems don't go undetected.

And, in addition, as an older dog I can't handle extreme temperatures for very long. I really depend on my master to keep me warm and dry.

As a dog, I like bisquits that can't be broken with your fingers to help keep my teeth clean. Apples are great but no seeds please, too toxic. Nylabones are perfect as are beef shank bones. Chicken, rib, pork or steak bones are too soft and will cause severe problems, even death.

I will always have to have my teeth checked and cleaned when necessary. You do yours, don't you?

I need to have my toe nails kept short in order to walk properly. You really don't want my feet to break down because eventually my hips and whole body will hurt.

I really need a vet who will check me over thoroughly when I get
my shot each year.

I really do like the same food year in and year out. But, if you think I should have a change, please do it gradually by mixing the old and new food together.

We all know I can hear cheese being sliced by please remember I will live longer if I am not overweight.

A treat I will always enjoy is Brewers Yeast tablets, (if started at a young age) because they help my skin and coat and you can’t have too many. Better than food treats or vitamins!

Please, don’t use people hair shampoos on me because they do not have the proper PH balance for a dog.

I get bored and would like a change of scenery sometimes. Let me go to the park or in the car when it is not hot. Remember, your metal car (my joy on wheels) can become a lethal hot box!

Or, walk on lead will be good for both of us!

I will do anything for you if you will only remember to praise me!

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How to kill fleas on a very young puppy? Rub the tummy, head, legs and behind the ears with baby oil. Then rub your hands over the puppies’ coat. The oil should suffocate the fleas. For older dogs try this: add 2 capfuls of Avon’s Skin so soft to the final soak/rinse. Works the same way and is supposed to be a repellent for mosquitos. Should also be great on your skin if you have over indulged in the sun. Just add to your bath water and soak.

You may have fleas in your carpeting or rugs? (they can live for 125 days without a host) Try this: Sprinkle 20 Mule Team Borax on the carpet or rugs, but be sure to do your chairs and sofa as well. It will not stain, is odor free and safe for you and your dogs. Keep repeating for several months. It works!

If you use flea collars on your dogs or cats, save the piece you cut off after fitting the collar and put that piece into your vacuum cleaner bag.

If you plant basil around your yard it seems to repel fleas and mosquitos!?!?

About Proban or Pro-Spot for dogs that seriously over re-act to a single flea bite, there is now Para Mist by Haver, a flea, lice, and tick spray for all dogs and cats.
"COPING WITH A DEATH IN THE FAMILY"

by: Ruth Thon, San Rafael, Ca.

When my husband died, Zorro and I went through some very rough times, trying to cope. For several months I sat and wrote poetry to my husband because I could no longer talk to him in person. Zorro spent hours each day sitting in front of my husband's favorite chair and nothing could get Zorro to abandon his watch. I finally had to send the chair out to be cleaned and rearrange the whole living room so that Zorro and I could cope with the loss.

The following year I learned to drive the car so that I wouldn't have to depend on others for getting Zorro to the vet or wherever we had to go. We enjoyed rides in the park and watching the buffalo but one day, after a ride in the park, I just kept on going with nothing in particular on my mind when I became aware of the fact that we were entering the cemetery where my husband was buried. After parking the car I carried Zorro in my arms to the two plots I purchased when my husband died. Zorro and I stood on the plot meant for me and pointing to my husband's grave, I explained to Zorro that this was where daddy was and though he did not want to leave us, he couldn't come back to us.

Zorro stepped over to my husband's grave and after sniffing all around it, he suddenly went crazy and tried to dig up the grave. He seemed to think my husband was trapped down there and he had to get him out. He fought like a tiger when I picked him up and brought him back to the car and we both cried all the way home.

Several weeks later I again found myself entering the cemetery but this time I left Zorro in the car because I couldn't bear to see him hurting so much. I stayed only a few moments because Zorro wasn't fooled a bit about where we were and he tried to claw his way out of the car - the only time he was ever destructive. The following week I deliberately drove to the cemetery, leaving Zorro home, to tell my husband that Zorro and I had to say "Goodbye" and couldn't come back because it was too painful.

After that, Zorro and I could finally leave the past and go on to the future - a move my husband would have been pleased about. He could finally rest in peace without worrying if we could make it all alone.

Love,
Ruth


**TITLES EARNED**

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**CONFORMATION**

**NEW CONFORMATION TITLES!**

- **CHAMPION OF RECORDS**
  - **GOOSEBERRY HILL FOXY LADY (B)**
    - Breeder/Owner: Susan McManus Maass x CH Gooseberry Hill Candy Eilli
  - **PEBBLETREE’S X TABOROZO (D)**
    - Breeder: Dee Rummel
    - Owner: Marge Wulf
  - **PRYDAIN UNIKUMDOBE (B)**
    - Breeder: C Peterson & B Edwards
    - by: CH Gooseberry Hill Dividend x Pebbletree’s Jacint

- **CHAMPION OF RECORDS**
  - **MOYA MAJOR MORGAN MU PLUNKET (D)**
    - by: CH Domboldali Bomba Pipacs CD
    - Breeder/Owner: Delores Bleys
    - Pulikairn Pippin Pi Plunket CD
  - **MOYA’S LT LUKE LAMBDATA PLUNKET (D)**
    - by: CH Domboldali Bomba Pipacs CD
    - Breeder/Owner: Delores Bleys
    - Pulikairn Pippin Pi Plunket CD
  - **SZEDER’S WILD ’N WOLLY (D)**
    - by: CH Csanyteleki Cigany
    - Breeder: Mary Wakemann
    - x CH Szeder’s Fuszeres Fruzsi
    - Owner: B & L Hiett & Mary Wakemann

**OBEDIENCE**

**COMPANION DOGS**

**AKC GAZETTE FEB. 1987**

- **BOWMAKERS DATS A TEDDY BEAR TOO (D)**
  - by: CH Bowmaker’s Ted E Bear
  - Breeder: Sherry L Gibson
  - Owner: Paul Jeffus
  - CH Bowmaker’s Rubik Cube

- **CH BRASSTAX RHYGIN AT NASZUT (D)**
  - by: CH Brasstax Charlie O’Hunyadi
  - Breeder: Pat & Harry Guticza
  - Owner: Laurinda Klemencic
  - UD x CH Wallbanger Kalua UD

- **CH PRYDAIN UGRIBUGRI (B)**
  - by: CH Prydain Nickleodeon CD
  - Breeder: C. Peterson & B. Edwards
  - CH Prydain Langos
  - Owner: Nancy Eaton & B Edwards
COMPANION DOGS
TYMTELS TICHES TO RAGS (D)
Breeder: F & S Petrov
Owner: D & R Bradley

AKC GAZETTE MAR. 1987
by: Kakumee Eloquence x
Kakumee Impostor

COMPANION DOGS EXCELLENT
BRASSTAX BRAEMAN'S DOMOVOI CD(D) by: CH Brasstax Charlie O'Hunyadi
Breeder: P & H Guticz
Owner: Ann Kleimola

AKC GAZETTE FEB. 1987
UD x CH Wallbanger Kalua UD

UTILITY DOGS
CH PRYDAIN JOCKO CDX (D)
Breeder: C Peterson & B Edwards
Owner: N Patton & B Edwards

AKC GAZETTE FEB. 1987
by: CH Sasvolgyi Hunnia Jani
x CH Witsend Il-De Of Eridu CD

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SHOW RESULTS

CH FRYDAIN NOAH
Breeder: Ruth Boatright & Barbara Edwards
by: CH Shine-On-Immerzu Zamba - CH Prydain Eridu CD
Owner: Don & Ruth Boatright (Mike Fejarang, Agent)
04-17-87 WINE COUNTRY K.C. S. Hubbell GRII
04-18-87 CHIEF SOLANO K.C. L. Reece GRIII
04-19-87 SIR FRANCIS DRAKE K.C. D. Humphries GRIII

ERDOSI ACSI
Breeder: Dr. Arthur Sorkin
by: Martonvolgyi Dugo Bogancs - Koroskerti Amazon
Owner: Barbara Edwards & Constance Peterson
04-17-87 WINE COUNTRY K.C. A.L. Gomez WD/BOW
04-18-87 CHIEF SOLANO K.C. L.A. Reasin WD/BOW
04-19-87 SIR FRANCIS DRAKE K.C. D. Humphries WD

WESTERFIELDS TEA OF PRYDAIN
Breeder: Carolyn Vallance
by: Desamee Cili Hamlet of Westerfield - Adston Teafinger
Owner: Barbara Edwards
04-17-87 WINE COUNTRY K.C. A.L. Gomez WB/BOS

TRUMPKIN A LA PRYDAIN
Breeder: Denise & Richard P. Johnson
by: Prydain Gurgi, CD - CH Wallbanger Remenyi
Owner: Barbara Edwards & Constance Peterson
04-18-87 CHIEF SOLANO K.C. L.A. Reasin WB/BOS

HUNNIA'S RONGY BABA
Breeder: Les & Klara Benis
by: Hunnia's Babszem Janko - Oregtoparti Borcsa
Owner: Dr. Arthur Sorkin & Dr. Diane Smith
04-19-87 SIR FRANCIS DRAKE K.C. D. Humphries WB/BOW/BOS
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CH HUPAJTAS ILUSKA
CH SZEDER’S SHOOTING STAR

BOTH OFA CERTIFIED.

BREEDER: PAUL AND PAM BARBRO

BORN 3 MALES AND 2 FEMALES ON MARCH 28, 1987 to:

CH PRYDAIN KOPE JAZZ CD OFA# 724
CH CSANYTELEKI CIGANY OFA# 595

BREEDER: NETTA DU PLANTI

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GOOSEBERRY HILL HOT SHOT OFA PENDING

BREEDER: EARL GEBHARDT & LARRY HART (303) 420-9755

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JUDGE: EDWARD STEVENSON BEST IN SHOW
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