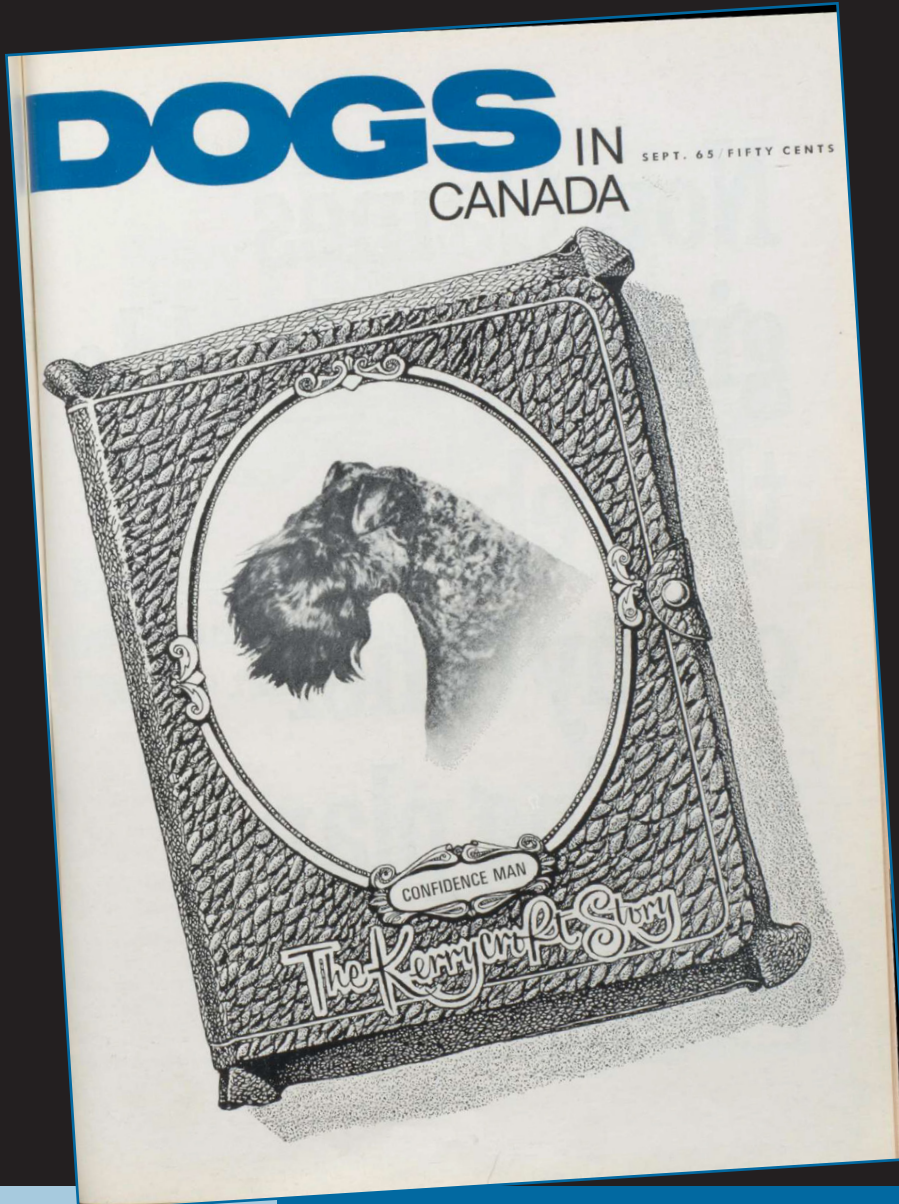




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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S UPDATE | AUGUST 2021



Check out the latest Executive Director's update for information on current registration volumes, the recently launched operational efficiencies project, and our ongoing work with the CFIA.

As Jeff Cornett, CKC's Executive Director, mentions in his update, we remain active and resolute in our commitment to ensure that CKC member breeders are not subject to unnecessary financial and logistical barriers when importing healthy dogs into Canada.

If you have specific examples of your breeding program being put at risk due to the recent criteria implemented by CFIA, please make CFIA aware of the risks they have created by emailing them at Siddika.Mithani@inspection.gc.ca and copying information@ckc.ca in your emails.

NOTICE TO CONFORMATION CLUBS RE: SUBMISSION OF RESULTS, WHIPPETS, BABY PUPPIES

This notice is to remind clubs of some changes and to ensure that event results are submitted with the proper information.

CONFORMATION SHOW RULES:

Effective July 1, 2021, the Whippet was added to the list of breeds that may be judged on a ramp, and Baby Puppies must be 4 to 6 months of age to enter into competition.

Effective July 6, 2021 all Section 8.3 of the Conformation Show Rules was amended with regard to Entries and Baby Puppies. Every dog entered in a conformation show must be either registered with the CKC, have an Event Registration Number (ERN), have a Temporary Competition Number (TCN), or if it is a Listed Breed, it must have a Miscellaneous Certification Number (MCN).

RESULTS:

Registration Numbers:

With regard to event results, please ensure that all dog registration numbers include the full number, including the prefix if applicable. All registration numbers issued in the new database as of November 2019 include a prefix.

Examples: CK-AB1234567, AK-GU1234567, FD-JE1234567, EN-HJ1234567

Marked Catalogues

Clubs must provide one (1) marked catalogue for each event (i.e., event number). The catalogue must indicate the awards issued in all classes and groups.

At the beginning of each breed in the catalogue a count of the total males, females, male specials and female specials must be included. At Head Office, this is known as a vector.

Example: SETTERS (IRISH) 6-10-4-3

The example indicates that there were six males in class competition, ten females in class competition, four male specials and three female specials

The count for each breed must be made **AFTER** the breed has been judged to ensure that the information is current and correct, and it must match the Judge's Book. Each marked catalogue should contain the vectors for only one (1) show. Please do not include the vectors for all of the events in one (1) catalogue.

- Dogs that are moved to Specials must be included with the Specials Only dogs.
- Veterans at Specialty Shows must be included in the count as Specials Only.
- Veterans at All-Breed Shows are Unofficial and do not get included in the count.
- Absent, Excused or Disqualified dogs do not get included in the count. However, Absent, Disqualified, Excused and Listed dogs should be marked beside each breed in the catalogue as follows: 3L 2A 1D 1E

Submitting Results

Here is a further list of documentation that must be included with the event results:

- All of the entry forms;
- All of the Judges' Books;
- The recording fees as prescribed by the CKC;
- The TCN fees for the entries of non-registered dogs;
- All fees for Baby Puppies if included in the show;
- The completed Statement of Event Fees Form(s) with the signature of one of the club officers or the Event Secretary, or Show Chair;
- Any other information or reports as may be required by the CKC.

Please remember that all show results are to be received not more than 14 days after the last day of the show. Administrative fees will be charged for non-compliance.

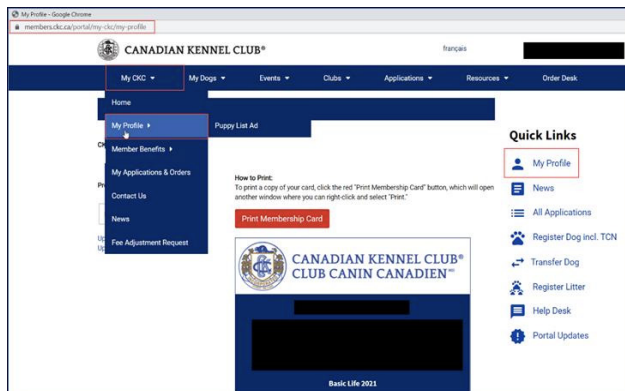
Point Schedule

All Premium Lists and Catalogues must include a listing of the point schedule from the event rules. This includes the requirements for Champion, and the new Grand Champion (Bronze, Silver, Gold) and Grand Champion Excellent requirements. If altered classes are offered, the Altered Champion point schedule should be included.

NEW PORTAL FEATURE: DIGITAL MEMBERSHIP CARDS

With just a few clicks members can now easily access proof of membership through the online Portal.

If you've renewed your membership for 2021, a printable version of your membership card can be found on "My Profile" under "My KCC" in the blue menu bar or through the Quick Links right-hand section.



How to Print:

To print a copy of your card, click the red "Print Membership Card" button, which will open another window where you can right-click and select "Print."

Note: Print feature instructions may slightly differ depending on your browser and computer operating system.

MEET CHRISTINE AND JOHN HEARTZ OF CHRISCENDO POMERANIANS - 2021 CKC NATIONAL BREEDER OF THE YEAR AWARD WINNERS

In June, the Canadian Kennel Club announced three brand new member awards at the Annual General Meeting. Nominated by fellow CKC members, the awards recognize a recipient's

outstanding commitment, dedication and accomplishments that have positively impacted purebred dogs, and all dogs, in Canada.



Credited with putting Canada on the map for Pomeranians, Christine and John Hartz were awarded the inaugural CKC National Breeder of the Year award. Recognized around the world as one of the leading Pomeranian kennels, many well-known kennels throughout Asia, Europe and North America can trace their pedigrees to Christine and John's Chriscendo dogs. Their dedication, commitment, and contributions to breed health research and their mentorship has strengthened the breed globally.

Christine and John have worked hard to promote and nurture this incredible breed. Amid their busy summer schedule, we were fortunate to chat with Christine and John about how they got started and how it felt to be nominated for such a prestigious award.

How did you get involved in dogs?

I [Christine] bought a Pomeranian puppy with my first pay check, when I was 18. I was not from a doggie family so I needed both experience and mentoring when I started. I continued both showing and competing in Obedience for 7 years before I ever bred a litter. John has always had a bit different perspective in breeding. He started breeding Pembroke Welsh Corgis, but eventually became an All-Breed Professional Handler. He always said "we will avoid the mistakes I made in Corgis, to help in breeding Poms." John has always been my greatest supporter and we work very well together.

What drew you to the Pomeranian?

I [Christine] have loved the breed since I was very young. We had an Encyclopaedia of Dogs at home and there was a well-

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known champion Pomeranian pictured in it. For me there was no other breed.

John's involvement in the Poms has been since we have been together. I will always value his opinion and without him, I could never have continued. John is more focused on soundness and function and the Show Dog, and I am always in the pursuit of that perfect type. Between us, while we may not always agree, we have learned from each other's strengths.

Who were your mentors as breeders?

We were always close to the late Ken and Eleanor Miller (Millamor Poms). We both spent hours at their homes in Ohio and Florida talking Poms, past and present. So much of what we love in this breed has been because of the Millers and their dogs, they were, for us, our blueprint.

What motivated you to work as hard as you did to further the breed here in Canada?

When I [Christine] bought my first Pomeranian (1977) I was interested in Obedience. I was drawn to the Conformation ring because my friends did both. I asked a handler if I could finish my first Pom, I never did, but I eventually married the handler several years later!

When we started in this breed, type and soundness was not well established. We bought our first show dog (Can. Am. Ch. Millamor's Rock Medallion) who was very sound and caught the attention of many judges and breeders alike. Qualities up to that, point that would be difficult to find in Poms, in this country. Medallion became our Foundation sire and is behind many of the Poms today.

Tell us about your first home-bred big win.

We were lucky enough that our first home-bred Champion, Can. Am. Ch. Chriscendo Coy Coquette became a Multiple Best In Show Winner and won several US Regional Specialties, as well as BOS (twice) at the American National twice.

What would be your most memorable win in the ring so far?

Our dogs have won many Best in shows and many have been under judges whose opinions we respect and value. One of the most memorable was winning Best of Winners at the American Pomeranian Club National (then in NY) under Anne Rogers Clark, on Can. Am. Ch. Chriscendo Colour Picture. She was Black and Tan and was to our knowledge, the first and only Black and Tan to do this. At the time this colour was just recently accepted in Canada and she also went on to set a Breed record for this colour, with 10 All Breed BIS wins.

When it comes to Pomeranians – what's easy with them? What's more challenging?

Poms have a "big dog" personality and that has always attracted both of us to the breed. The difficulty is breeding them. They often need c-sections, they are not always great mothers, and it

is often a struggle to raise them. They are tiny (2 to 4 oz), and as John likes to say "Born with the will to die".

Who makes a good Pomeranian owner?

We have all kinds of people we consider great Pomeranian owners. Some Pomeranians spend their lives on a princess bed, as a spoiled pet, but some are competing in Obedience and performance events, they are best friends to growing families and companions to the elderly. Poms are the perfect size to travel or lounge in bed with and are happy to accompany their owners on walks or even a hike. Most of our puppy sales come to us as previous Pom owners, whether from us or somewhere else.

How does it feel to be nominated for such an award by your peers?

To be chosen from a group of our peers, people who we consider friends, who we have been in the ring with, watched their successes and followed their careers; has been humbling to say the least. We both believe that there are breeders in this country that are among the Best in the World. Their dogs can and do produce consistently, with breeding programs over a lifetime. They compete with the best. Canada has the right to be proud of their dedicated breeders who strive to achieve success at this level. But no man is an island, we would not have been able to do this if it was not for our support system. None of what we have accomplished would have been possible if not for our "family".

Early on, Can. Am. Ch. Millamor's Rock Medallion, shown by Lynda Torrance, won several BIS and Lynda made him Top Pom, our first Top Dog. Several years later, we had Can. Am. Ch. Chriscendo Classica, co-owned with friends Doug and Robert Stratton, Sunterra. Because of John's handling commitments, we could not campaign a Toy here at home that year. Enter Pat and David Gignac, who showed "Cassie" for us. The following year, we decided to campaign her in earnest, we flew her back and forth, to Pat and David, one coast to the other and "Cassie" became the Top Winning Bitch in the History of the Breed in Canada with about 25 BIS. We will be forever indebted to those who lent a hand, to those who chose to reward our dogs with the highest honours and those who cheered on the sidelines.

Dog wise – what's next for you and John?

Breeding dogs has its ups and down, you can have the Top Dog in your breed for 10 years and then you can't seem to produce a puppy that measures up. This too can go on for a long time. It's being able to ride out those lows that distinguish a Great Breeder.

We keep our numbers low, 12 dogs is manageable for us. But it also restricts you if something happens to your small breeding program. When we lost Can. Am. Ch. Chriscendo Connoisseur, "Connor", about 5 years ago. And another young Best in Show winning male we had high hopes for, showed signs of coat loss, we were literally down to one male.

We have struggled over the past 5 years to regain what we thought was the best we had produced. It is these things often make or break a small breeding program. Our story is not unusual in that respect, and the dark times, often forces people to leave the sport.

This is when your support system kicks in. We work with a number of like-minded breeders worldwide, who help and support when you need them the most. You continue to cling to the hope that you will again, find that combination of bloodlines and dogs that you love to once again produce puppies that will grow up to continue the dream, of that perfect one.



**MEET JANET LYNN LEACH - 2021
CKC NATIONAL HERITAGE CANINE
PERFORMANCE AWARD WINNER**



This year, the Canadian Kennel Club proudly announced three brand new member awards at the Annual General Meeting. Nominated by fellow CKC members, the awards recognize a recipient's outstanding commitment, dedication and accomplishments that have positively impacted purebred dogs, and all dogs, in Canada.

For its inaugural year, Janet Lynn (Lynn) Leach was awarded the CKC National Heritage Canine Performance Award.

For over 30 years Lynn has dedicated herself to preserving the tradition of working stock dogs. Lynn began trialing in the 90s and assisted greatly in developing the Herding Program for the Canadian Kennel Club as well as the Australian and Swedish Kennel Clubs. Creating opportunities for breeders and owners to preserve their breeds' herding instinct through Herding training and trials, Lynn goes above and beyond in order to further the sport of all-breed Herding, heering on fellow competitors when they had great rung and offering advice and encouragement if they did not. Lynn's impact on all-breed Herding here in Canada is truly immeasurable.

We chatted with Lynn to get to know a little more about how she got involved in Herding and to pick her brain for advice for exhibitors thinking of trying the spot of Herding with their dogs.

How did you get involved in dogs?

We had a family pet when I was growing up, and it just became a way of life to have at least one dog around. Once I moved out on my own, I began to get interested in dog activities – and began apprenticing with a great mentor named Muriel Bereziak to learn about handling and Conformation.

What drew you to the sport of Herding?

I had Toy Poodles at the beginning, and when I met my husband, he wanted a bigger dog. He chose a “Blue Heeler”, which looked like a pretty cool breed, so the search began for our first Australian Cattle Dog. By the time that pup was 6 months, it was obvious that I had to do things way different then I did with my Toy Poodles! Somebody suggested that I try Herding as that was what they were bred for.

What motivated you to work as hard as you did to further the sport of Herding here in Canada?

When I joined the Australian Cattle Dog Club, some of the members were doing some Herding and in the process of putting together a committee to work with CKC on developing a Herding program. I offered to sit on the committee, and that was the beginning of learning about navigating in the world of CKC. Most of the expertise/experience came from the world of Border Collies – but our dogs learn so differently and I was keen on teaching my dog, so I bought some sheep and started to

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experiment with different methods. I felt like I would have more success if I had others to train with, so I started encouraging others to try also.

How does it feel to be nominated for such an award by your peers?

I feel so happy that people who I respect and are now successful and helping others would take the time to nominate me for such a fabulous award. Herding is such a small community and I feel like we all need each other. But to be recognised in such a way has made me speechless!

What would you like to see happen to the sport of Herding here in Canada over the next ten years?

CKC Herding has grown so much in the past ten years, it's hard for me to imagine it growing more! I'd like to see a Junior Handler program added for sure. I'd also like to see some sort of continued Education for Herding Judges, so they can stay current on any rule changes and grow with the program.

What type of dog owner should try Herding?

I think with a good instructor, most people could try herding. Herding can be exciting for dogs that are learning, so a calm handler will help settle things down so that learning can happen.

Any advice for someone new to the sport?

Find a good instructor. Read articles, books and watch videos – then try to determine which training techniques will work best for both you and your dog. You are the person who knows your dog best. Learn what is needed, and then try to figure out the best way to teach that to your dog. Work with your instructor to come up with ideas. And if you can get into a Herding clinic, take advantage of learning from all of the other participants – try to watch each dog.

Dog wise – what are you most excited about right now?

I have a 3-year-old Australian Cattle Dog named Trucker. He's the son of my special Callie girl, so he has some big shoes to fill, but I think he can do it and I'm excited to begin competing with him in Conformation and Herding. I also have a young Hungarian Mudi that I may start in Herding. She is two years old, and I plan to use her as a bird dog at Vancouver International Airport – but I think that these dogs can be good at many jobs!

On behalf of all CKC members, I would like to thank Lynn for her tireless efforts and dedication to the sport of Herding. She is a coach in the sport and a cheerleader to those participating. We wish her much continued success!





CANADIAN KENNEL CLUB MISSION STATEMENT

Who We Are

The Canadian Kennel Club (CKC) is the primary registry body for purebred dogs in Canada and currently recognizes 187 breeds. As a non-profit organization, the CKC is dedicated to encouraging, guiding, and advancing the interests of purebred dogs and their responsible owners and breeders in Canada and promoting the knowledge and understanding of the benefits which dogs can bring to Canadian society.

The CKC is incorporated under Animal Pedigree Act, a federal statute under the auspices of the Ministry of Agriculture. The organization includes approximately 20,000 individual members and over 700 breed clubs across Canada. The Club registers purebred dogs, regulates dog shows and performance events, and speaks out on major issues concerning dog ownership and the health & welfare of dogs across Canada.

Mission

As the prime registry of purebred dogs in Canada, our purpose is to serve our members and the public with education, support, guidance and sanctioning of events for all their canine endeavours. Our goal is the preservation of purebred dogs and the health, well-being and enjoyment of all dogs.

Vision

The CKC with its members, will be the definitive authority in Canada for purebred dogs, and an advocate for all dogs, setting the standard for the preservation of breeds and continuous improvement of health, wellbeing and enjoyment of purebred dogs.

Values

Passion: We are dedicated to purebred dogs with the belief in the value of dogs as an integral part of our lives, our society and the contributions dogs brings to our humanity.

Preservation: We are committed to the preservation of breed characteristics while producing healthy well-socialized dogs, with a commitment to continuous improvement and well-being of purebred dogs.

Knowledge: We educate and expand public awareness of the contribution purebred dogs bring to society. This includes the vast array of activities and opportunities for purebred dog enthusiasts... as well as a commitment to the principles of responsible breeding practices and responsible dog ownership.

Commitment: We protect and enhance the interests of our members, breeders, associated clubs and the public, supporting them with openness, honesty and compassion.

Integrity: We uphold the integrity of our registry, the high standards of governance and management of the Canadian Kennel Club.

AN INFORMATION SUPPLEMENT FROM THE CKC

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