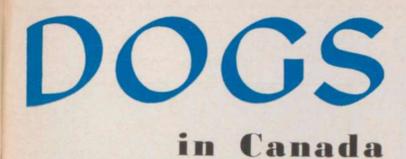
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KERRYLAND'S FLARE winning Best of Winners at the pre-Westminster Kerry Specialty. Judge, Mr. George Hartley and Handler, Ric Chashoudian.

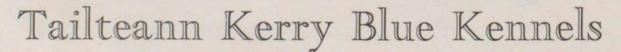


Left: CH. TAILTEANN'S MARCIE'S SON with Handler George Ward, shown winning Best of Breed at the Kerry Specialty just prior to the Westminster Show. Right: CAN. & AM. CH. TAILTEANN'S RARE GEM with Handler, Owner, shown winning Best Opposite Sex. Back — left to right: Mrs. Loebe, editor, Kerry Blueprints of America; Mr. Ed. Loebe, President, Kerry Blue Club of America; Mr. George Hartley, judge (73 Kerries); Mrs. Ranstead, chief Ring Steward.



TAILTEANN'S YOU CAN TELL winning the Puppy Sweepstake (16 entries) at the Kerry Specialty prior to Westminster. Judge, Mr. Doug McClain with Mrs. George Fischer presenting the trophy to owner Mrs. M. Eileen McEachren.

At Westminster: AM. CH. TAILTEANN'S MARCIE'S SON won Best of Breed and 2nd in Group. His litter sister, Can. & Am. Ch. Tailteann's Rare Gem was Best Opposite Sex and a full brother of a later litter, Tailteann's You Can Tell, was winners. A recent purchase from California, Kerryland's Flare, was Reserve Winners.



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If you have any suggestions, any comments or constructive criticism to make concerning articles or other items contained in this magazine, or with regard to shows, your opinion of what is happening to various breeds with regard to size, colour, coat, etc., write a brief letter to the Editor. We must reserve the right, however, to edit same.

CALLING AUSTRALIAN TERRIERS

Could you help me in any way with my uphill job of trying to have the Australian Terrier recognized in the U.S.A. I need information about clubs for the Breed in Canada, shows including them and names of books writing about them. Also would like to make contact with kennels so I might purchase champion stock.

MRS. MILTON FIX

W. Point Pleasant, N.J.

Australian Terriers are rare in Canada. great interest in them was expressed at the Westminster Show. Although there are no Australian Terrier clubs here, we are rounding up some information for you .- Ed.

OBEDIENCE BULLETIN OFFERED

. . . Would you please mention that the Mountain City Obedience Club bulletin Pooches Papers is mailed free to anybody who is interested in Obedience. Anyone who would like to be added to our mailing list need only contact our secretary, Miss Laura Nygren at 434 Victoria Ave., Westmount, or myself.

MRS. ALEX CASGRAIN 7 Hudson Ave.,

Westmount, Que.

This is a spritely paper and would certainly be of interest to Obedience-minded folk.—Ed.

DOG PEOPLE DELUGE NBC

. . . The results on our campaign (to have the Jack Webb veterinary TV drama series continued, *Dogs*, March, 1957) are very gratifying. The amount of protest mail being received by NBC has reached 1,500 letters a week. This was while the show was on the air. (It concluded February 26.) The mail should double when the show is actually missed. Certainly your article and nicture is missed. Certainly your article and picture is helping. I have comments by a number of people who read Dogs in Canada, and many of them have written in.

GENE BURMAN 20432 St. Francis, Livonia, Mich.

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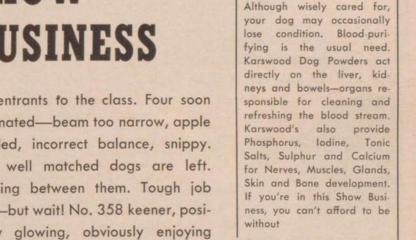
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OBEDIENCE SUPPORTER

... Your magazine is very informative and has been most interesting and improving with every issue. I read with interest Dr. Lee Ford's article on the Female Canine, especially what she said about a female's (Collie) ears. I have a purebred Collie (male, 2 years) whose ears are "prick". As a pup his ears were perfect and he was selected as the best of litter for a stud fee. In spite of all the so-called remedies he is still the same. However, he has many other qualities that make him the friend of all.

There seems to be lack of interest in Obedience Training in our area even though close to Montreal. I have read about it and obtained reasonable results to the point where I feel that it has saved "Duke's" life from traffic on more than one occasion. I would be interested in starting a class here, but I am too busy in other work to take any part in organization. Perhaps you might suggest to someone that Cornwall might be another Obedience centre; I would be a willing participant.

One feature your magazine is short of is down to earth ideas, although some people write in queries. I remember one who had a dog that chewed everything. We solved that with these things: (a) an old sock with papers in the toe, (b) old boxes—corn flakes, candy, etc., (d) a good tap on the nose when caught with shoes and a strong No.

Choker collars (chain) are no good for Collies, as they cut the hair. Solution was to take plastic tubing and cut off one ring and slip on and reweld. Just why nobody sells them like this I don't understand. Recently however I obtained a round leather choker collar and discarded the other.

Feeding is perhaps the worst problem for the ordinary guy—and his wife who likes to fancy up the appetite. In my opinion the worst sin against a dog is to feed him "tarte enliveners". I solved our problem dog by laying down the law as to who, when and what he is fed. For the past year our two year Collie is lean, hungry and active with the best coat ever—with one meal a day— $\frac{1}{2}$ tin dog food, $\frac{3}{2}$ tin equivalent of meal, wet with hot water, 2 teaspoons of animal cod liver oil, and a generous helping of left-over fat of any kind, plus a drink of milk (diluted with warm water) about three times a week.

Perhaps all this guff is not necessary, but only a "doggy" owner's way of saying a "doggy" thanks to you and yours for 1957.

GEORG. G. REVELL Cornwall, Ont.

LADY COUGAR HUNTER

Notch Hill, B.C.

. . . The February Dogs is to my mind the best one yet . . . The photo of the cougar was grand. My sister is an official cougar hunter and has many "cats" to her credit. She got a killer, one the Government hunters had refused to put their valuable hounds on after it killed one and mauled one. She had her registered White Collie mauled by it, but later used the same Collie and two Black and Tan Hound pups to tree

MRS. LETA TOMPKINS

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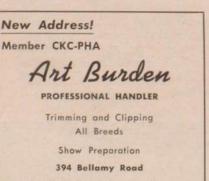


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EIGHT, NINE, TEN LITTLE PUGS

A letter from Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Brown of Sarnia states their Pug had eight puppies. My Pug, Chedoke Arnelda Goldengleam, whelped nine in June, 1953. The sire, Ch. Winna Squire of Chedoke, was owned by Mrs. Wyn Blackmore at that time.

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. . . Re Mr. and Mrs. Harold Brown's letter, this is not an unusual litter. Two of our Pug females, Blue Star Dusty Diana and Blue Star Bunky, each whelped eight puppies. These litters were sired by two different Blue Star sires. At the time of writing my home-bred Biscayne Melanie has just whelped nine lovely puppies, sired by another of the Blue Star studs.

As a member of the Pug Dog Club of England, I recall reading in their Pug Bulletin of a litter of (I believe my memory serves me correctly) ten puppies!

MRS. M. COOPER

Biscayne Kennels, Reg'd., Hamilton, Ont.

... I think we hold the record here in Fort William with a litter of nine.

This litter was recently whelped, the property of Mrs. J. Atkinson, out of her female, Tinker Belle, and sired by Tweeds Golden Duke. Duke was whelped in my kennels in February 1955 out of my female, Ch. Biscayne Jorinda, and is now the property of Mrs. Atkinson. Tinker's first litter was a fine family of seven. Sixteen puppies in two litters is no mean mark to shoot at even though it may not be a record.

Fort William, Ont.

T. W. KELLY

BORZOI PUBLICATION

. . . May I say how much I enjoy reading your publication, and envy you the quality of reproduction. I publish a magazine *Riders of the Wind* (Independent Borzoi Magazine), edited by Mrs. Taviner of Omaha, Nebraska.

L. R. ASKHAM

Ipswich, England.

We have just received a copy of Riders of the Wind, which is valuable reading for all Borzoi owners.—Ed.

IN SYMPATHY

. The tragic death of Mr. David Hill, Toronto Boxer exhibitor, saddened us all very much. We hope we did everything possible to help Mr. Jim Punfield in making arrangements for going back to Toronto.

LAURA T. SMITH, Executive Secretary Detroit Kennel Club.

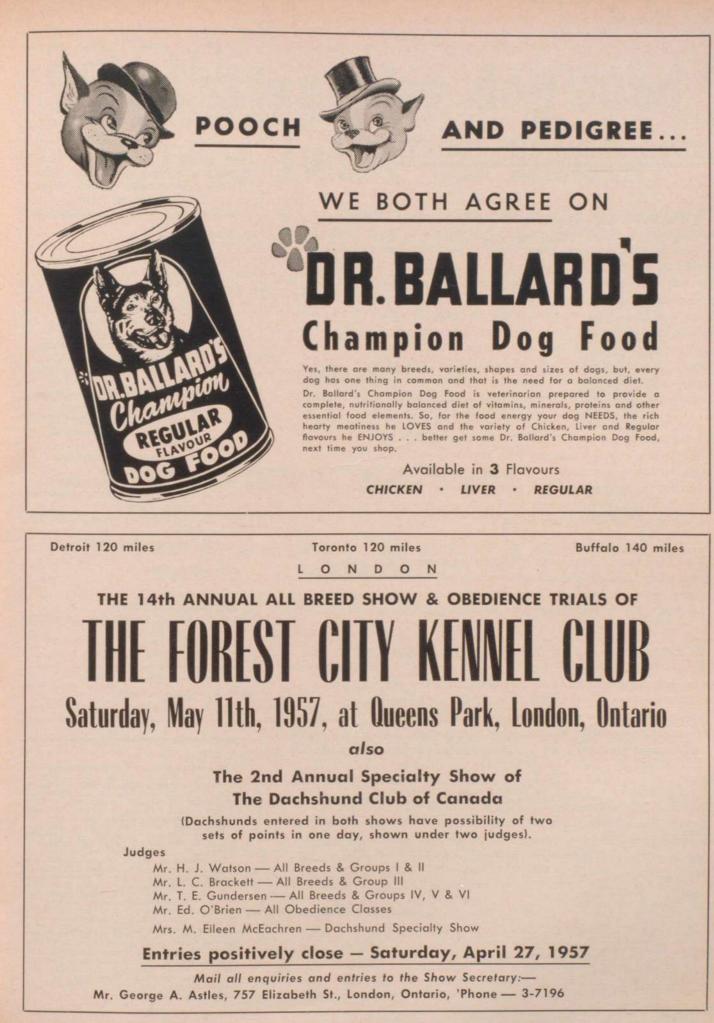
DIRK OF AVONDALE FINISHED

... It is indeed disappointing to read where Mr. T. A. Brown, who judged the 1956 National Retriever Trial and who also wrote an account of same for your March Issue, makes the statement that F.T.Ch. Craigend Rock was the runner-up ... this dog did not finish the Trial, for he broke in the last Test, and was automatically disqualified. Therefore the article should have read Dirk of Avondale as being one of the three dogs that finished this Trial.

Balzac, Alta.

O. R. KOSKINEN

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MEMO FROM THE EDITOR

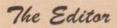
A step in the right direction is the movement of the Ontario Government to tighten the laws which permit the killing of dogs running at large without tags. The present law is so loose that abuse has been noted. Amendments will permit a person to kill a dog found injuring livestock, found in a township between sunset and sunrise, straying from the premises where it is habitually kept, found straying at any time, and not under proper control on premises where livestock is habitually kept. The amended act would compel a dog owner to make reimbursement for livestock killings. If an owner knows his dog has destroyed livestock, he then must destroy it within 48 hours. This still seems harsh judgment, but is an incentive toward buying of better dogs and keeping them under proper control.

A nother flagrant case of dogs on the loose came to light when over 400 students and teachers were kept confined to the school because they were afraid to face a pack of dogs which may have been more silly than ferocious. And they were not all mongrels! Dogs clubs could do some real good in their communities by urging discipline among dog owners.

he May issue brings us to Manitoba for news of dog activities, outstanding breeders and accomplishments during the past decades. Send in any items you have now, and plan your advertising to get the most out of it from this outstanding provincial issue.

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nlimited applause to C.K.C. Director H. L. Watson and Mrs. Clare LaBrish of Regina for doing a thorough job of rounding up material for the Saskatchewan story. Despite a wealth of background, the actual corralling is not easy. Their efforts and those of the many fine breeders and sportsmen who co-operated with them are warmly appreciated.



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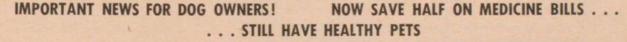
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OBEDIENCE IN VENEZUELA

When she was 16, Sheila Houstoun, wanted a German Shepherd. She babysat until she had enough money to buy Tosca. Now, at 23, this attractive Montreal girl, owner and trainer of eight beautiful Shepherds, has turned her hobby into travel and prominence. She is in Caracas, Venezuela, at the invitation of the Federation Canine de Venezuela (*Dogs*, January, 1957) to introduce Obedience work in that city.

She writes: . . . "The Federation is anxious to form an Obedience Club that will be affiliated with the existing breed club . . . I was introduced to Caracas dog fanciers by Mr. Robert Dunn, First Secretary at the Canadian Embassy, at a banquet honouring the world-famous judge, Mr. Arthur Zane,

"My Obedience classes are now successfully underway and from the interest shown should be the nucleus of an active Obedience Club.

"The dog show held November 24 and 25 was in many respects better than our show in Canada. The trophy table was the most impressive spectacle I have ever witnessed at any dog show . . . Mr. Larry Neumann, executive vicepresident of the F.C.V., whose Boxer, Int. Ch. Linnay's Conquest sired a lovely type female that captured Best Venezuelan Bred dog in the show, will be remembered by Canadian dog fanciers. A few years back he handled the above named dog to its Canadian and American championships.

"In a recent mountain climbing expedition composed of eight people and one dog, only four people and the dog arrived at the top of the mountain. It is 8,000 feet above sea level, and the second highest peak in the range that towers over Caracas. The dog was my Obedience Champion Tosca of Frazerbruck, U.D. With flashlights, water bottles and knapsacks we were prepared to ascend at 4.20 a.m. and did not complete the descent until sunset that same evening, 13 hours later.

"My *Dogs in Canada* are keeping me up to date on dog activities across the country, for which I am very grateful. Some of the articles, such as the one on the Avalanche Dogs, will be of lasting interest to me and to others.

"You can see from the Gaceta Canina that Canadians are playing their part in the Venezuelan dog world. (The March, 1957 issue announces Miss Houstoun's introduction of Obedience classes and notes the death of Mr. Alf Loveridge, who had many friends in Venezuela).

"As a finale to my demonstrations I have Tosca carry a placard bearing the following: 'Saludos del Canada' — Greetings from Canada."

Miss Houstoun will remain in Venezuela until May.

HEART SPECIALIST DIES

Dr. G. F. Strong, one of North America's leading heart specialists, and active Vancouver citizen, died suddenly in Montreal. He had been a member of the Vancouver Dog Obedience Training Club, and was training his Standard Poodle, Heber.

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LAST POINT FOR FRECKLES

by Brig. C. B. Topp, C.B.E., D.S.O, M.C.

WE were relaxing before the fire after a grand day with the ducks near Fort Qu'Appelle, Sask. Our host's fine Labrador Retriever lay quietly at our feet. Pipes were going and little was being said. It was one of those altogether satisfying evenings when worries are forgotten and the world seems a good place in which to live.

It was in this setting that Jack told us the story of the greatest bird dog he ever knew.

Somewhere in the mist of antiquity, he mused, one of her ancestors must have possessed that quality of heart and mind that bring kinship and perfect understanding between man and dog in the hunting field. The spark lived on through many generations and had found its ultimate expression in the courageous, affectionate spirit of a little parti-coloured English setter whose name was Freckles. A day of shooting over her was an unforgettable experience.

Freckles was her mother's only pup and in turn had but one pup, called Bonny. She was not a bench dog. Small and fine boned with a silky cream coat shot with black she was not a particularly good specimen of her breed physically but in her small head she seemed to possess the combined hunting lore of all bird dogs, as well as speed, courage and staying power. With all this, too, she was gentle and affectionate, the greatly loved pet of the household.

It was a beautiful sight to see Freckles at work in the field. Somehow she seemed to know the name and address of every bird in the neighbourhood wherever she happened to be. She would quarter the cover with almost mathematical precision, remaining close in and under perfect control. On finding a bird she would, quite literally, immediately signal the guns as to what it was. An almost imperceptible movement of her tail when on point would in-variably denote a pheasant. When she found grouse the rough hair on her back would rise slightly. With woodcock her hair would lie flat and smooth without so much as a quiver. She was never known to make a mistake.

For many seasons Freckles was at the top of her form but as time went on her strength gradually failed though she never lost her ability to find game. To the very end a move towards the gun rack roused her to prancing excitement. There could be no thought of leaving her at home. Finally she reached the stage at which she had to rest in the

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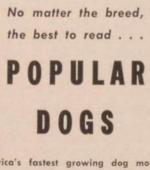
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field whenever possible. First there was a period when, though hunting with her inherent perfection, she would sit down on point. Later she would lie down. But she never failed to hold her point.

We were hunting woodcock near Ailsa Craig, Jack went on, and Freckles was with us as usual, never missing a bird but always lying down on point. Towards the end of the afternoon she found a bird on my front, came to a perfect point then slowly settled down to the ground, nose on the bird and tail straight out as she had done on each point that day. Some impulse for which I cannot account moved me to tell her master to take the bird. He did and then gave her his usual command "Come on Freck." But Freckles did not come. She lay dead on her last point.

We buried Frekles where she lay and over her we spread some feathers from the breast of her last bird.

As we pass that way now we reach into our game bags for feathers and let them float gently over Freckles' grave.





For information write the Secretary of the Club concerned

the SCHNAUZER

Spicy as the salt and pepper of their coats, the Schnauzer — Giant, Standard and Miniature —

now popular in the United States, is attracting attention in Canada.

THE Schnauzers can talk ancestry back to the 15th Century. Perhaps you have seen a photograph of the statue in Stuttgart, Germany, depicting the town watchman with his Schnauzer. This statue was erected in the 1600's, and the breed is said to have been established even earlier.

The forebear was the Moorland dog, even older than the Bronze Age Dog from whom descended the terrier breeds, the Poodle and the Spitz. A century ago the name pinscher denoted terriers in general. Under that heading, a variety of names indicated their appearance or affinity: the Rauhaar Pinscher was the rough-haired pinscher; Rattenfanger or Rattenjanger was the ratcatcher and eventually came the Schnauzer which was developed from the name Schnauze, meaning a snout, a not very pretty name for the attractive whisker arrangement.

According to the Viennese zoologist Fitzinger, who lived between 1802 and 1884, the wire-haired or roughhaired Pinscher was a cross between the Dog of Boulogne and the Spitz.

That is the background of the Standard and Giant Schnauzer. The Miniature is an offshoot of his larger cousins with one major exception. He is a cross between the Schnauzer and the Affen, or monkey pinscher, and has been bred as such since around 1899.

The jaunty salt and pepper coat is a perfect complement to the conformation and perky character of the Schnauzers. It is a result of the bringing together of the German black Poodle, the grey Spitz and the established German pinscher stock (said to have been black and tan, or fawn) over a century ago.

Is the Schnauzer a working dog, a terrier, or should he be in the non-sporting group? His early vocation was that of guard, stable dog and vermin-killer. In England he is considered a member of the Non-Sporting family. He was introduced to the United States as a Working Dog (the Giant and Standard are in that category in Canada) and the Miniature Schnauzer is classified as a terrier.

Many contemporary fanciers hold ratting trials under the sponsorship of their German Schnauzer Clubs to keep the Schnauzer a working breed. The Miniature is especially quick as a rat catcher.

Its Type Is Terrier, Not Toy

Whenever Miniature Schnauzer people get together these days, one major topic is the pros and cons of the proposed breed standard. The American Miniature Schnauzer Club has set forth recommended changes which Canadians accept, but not quite 100 percent.

Chief objection is the reference to the Fox Terrier which has been more or less selected as a basis of comparison and contrast.

While the Miniature Schnauzer is in the Terrier Group, many fanciers feel the Schnauzer belongs in the Working Group with his cousins the Standard and Giant. At the other end of the scale, many breeders are tending toward breeding small or toyish puppies.

Size, therefore, is stressed by the American Miniature Schnauzer Club in adherence to the Standard: A robust, well-boned dog with no trace of toyishness, and the size $12\frac{1}{2}$ to $13\frac{1}{2}$ inches.

Keen expression and alertness are among the keynotes of the Schnauzer. The hearing and eyesight are exceptional and although a small dog, the capacity as a guard is mighty.

It should be remembered that the Miniature Schnauzer is not a kennel dog. It belongs in the house with the family. The size is perfect for the home and for travel-*Continued on page 50*