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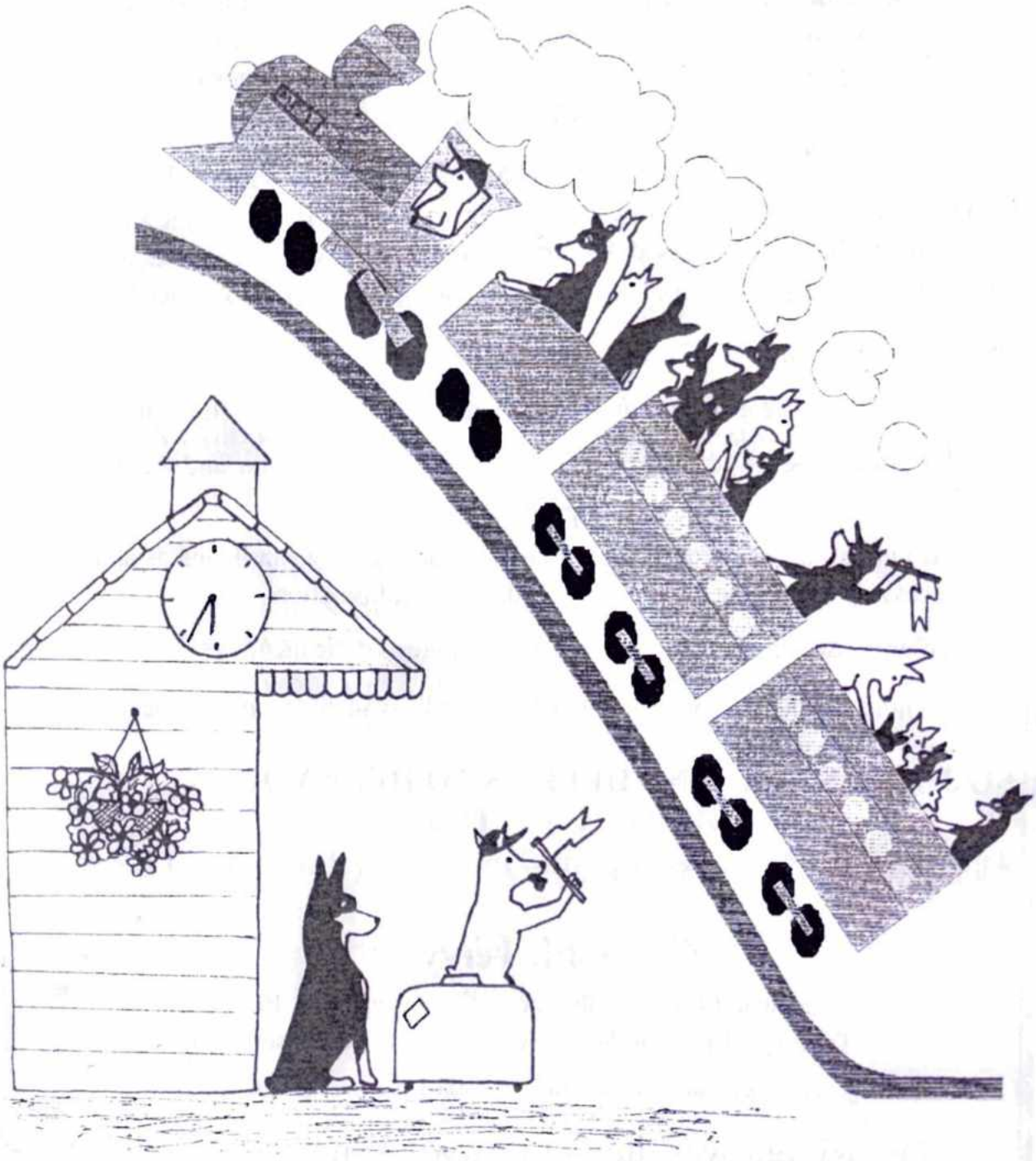
SUMMER NEWSLETTER



BRITISH DOG BREEDERS' COUNCIL

The BDBC wishes to see an end to "puppy-farming" and irresponsible breeding practices. However, in doing so, it is widely felt that the responsible breeder is often the one that can be severely restricted or penalised by hastily constructed laws and regulations.

Historically, many laws have been formed by Governments in order to appease bad press or the demands of an uneducated minority. British dog breeders are well regarded world-wide for their knowledge who, up to now, have not had a body to air their "voice". The BDBC aims to represent responsible breeders in threatened legislation that may affect their practices. Not only are the smaller, caring exhibitor/enthusiast breeders threatened by proposed legislation, but also many individual breeds may well become extinct, as we know them today in the EC, if the Government agrees with and signs the European Convention Report.

Pro Dogs, NCDL, Justice for Dogs, Pet Care Trust, RSPCA, BVA, and the Kennel Club, among others, have all expressed their willingness to work with the BDBC, and with an ever-growing membership, we are sure that the BDBC will have its' voice heard!

The objectives of the BDBC are:

1. To be a pressure group promoting the interest and welfare of all its' members.
2. To encourage good breeding practice through education and exchange of information.
3. To publish a newsletter at least twice a year, and news bulletins as and when necessary to provide members with additional information.
4. To organise seminars and lectures in the interest of the members.
5. To hold pertinent information which is readily available to all members.

SO JOIN US NOW AND HELP US TO HELP YOU!

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SECRETARIAL JOTTINGS

Dear Friends

I have written in the past how good summer is for our Min Pins, improving their health and coats, hopefully we shall see some sun and a little less rain before this year is over!

Sonya's comment on "world" Min Pins was that ours could quite well hold their own in performance, but their coats and colouring would be a real challenge to us. Mark well because we could be without quarantine before too long.

Once again we have a number of new members to welcome, and I hope that all the old membership will do their part in making them feel at home amongst us. For my part, I want to put a face to the new members with whom I have been delighted to correspond. With regard to applications for membership, please take note that these must be on the club form and be proposed and seconded. Recently a number of forms have been set to me without a proposer and seconder. This may be because the seller of a puppy has given the purchaser a form. All well and good, but they should stand as proposer if they think fit.

Lastly, I want show goers to fully realise that under the new KC directives, unless entries at a show average 3 per class it is most likely that classes for our breed will be lost. Canine Societies will have to take this action, otherwise they will lose their show. So be warned, the remedy is in our hands.

Enjoy your Min Pins and happy showing this summer.

And good wishes to all of you.

Alan

From the Editor...

I have to start this newsletter with once again thanking Maggie for her help in the past. She and Clem are in the process of selling their house and moving back to South Wales so I've had to "go it alone on this edition".

I have also to apologise for the smaller edition than normal but the printer has let me down at the last moment and I have had to rush around like a headless chicken in order to find a new printer. My grateful thanks to Jill Terry for stepping in and doing the printing.

A warm welcome to all the new members and their Min Pins - if you would like to contribute anything to the newsletter FEEL FREE! It's your newsletter.

So far this year most of the shows have been a total washout - it just seems to be rain rain and more rain! I'm sure my Pins are no different to anyone else's - they hate this weather and are like naughty children who can't get out to play. they spend their time making their own amusements - this varies from playing nicely together with their own toys to taking from the kitchen table this weeks dog paper, tearing it all up and then peeing on it ! At least when the sun shines they are all quite happy to play in the garden. Never mind, maybe July and August will be better!

I can now be contacted by e - mail so if you have anything for the winter newsletter you can either send it to me by post or contact me at: vardenais@btinternet.comm. (web site coming soon).

Looking forward to hearing from you all.

Aileen

THE JOYS OF HAVING A PUPPY (or two or three)

Someone once said to me and I quote - "Min Pin puppies are lovely until they get to about four weeks old and then they turn into little Gremlins" (thanks Aileen - I didn't believe you at the time, but I do now!)

All the puppies we have previously had have been relatively trouble free, only chewing the odd slipper, peeing on the carpet, shredding newspaper, toilet rolls etc. etc. Normal things you would expect from a puppy. That was until I had this last litter of four.

I put their bad behaviour down the fact that their mother neglected them. She fed them but apart from that she did not want to know them. It was left to Grandma to sneak in (which she did frequently) and clear up after them, give them a good wash and play with them. When they reached four weeks old they hadn't quite found their feet yet - what a difference a week makes - at five weeks they were bored and singing to come out of their pen. The instigator was a red bitch called Ruby, once she started they all joined in. Of an evening, I would bring them into the sitting room and let them run riot so that they would tire themselves out and sleep through the night. This was so that they would not wake up at four in the morning demanding to play!!

By the time they got to eight weeks old their individual characters were beginning to show. Ruby and brother Sam were the ringleaders, boy o boy was I glad to see the back of them. They dug up all the plastic sheet in their pen, followed by the newspaper and then proceeded to eat - yes eat - the carpet, stripping it to the floor boards. If that wasn't enough, they started on the sitting room carpet when I wasn't looking. I foiled this little exercise by putting a large biscuit tin over the threads they had started to pull. This did not stop them - they started a new game - playing drums by jumping on and off the tin. The noise was quite deafening. In the meantime the two quieter puppies, Jock and Cybil were gradually picking up this thuggish behaviour and I really could not cope with four hooligans - something had to give. Ruby and Sam were dispatched to their new homes with a warning about their delinquent behaviour (they thought I was joking). They believe me now. Ruby has, so I'm told, helped herself to all the tools out of the tool box and hidden them in her bed. If there is a cup a tea around she is first in

The Joys of having a Puppy (or two or three) cont'd.

the queue. Sam meanwhile is busy eating his way through the kitchen mat. Cybil too has gone off to a new domain which leaves only Jock whose only big crime at the moment is to have eaten a pair of my shoes (my fault for leaving them out).

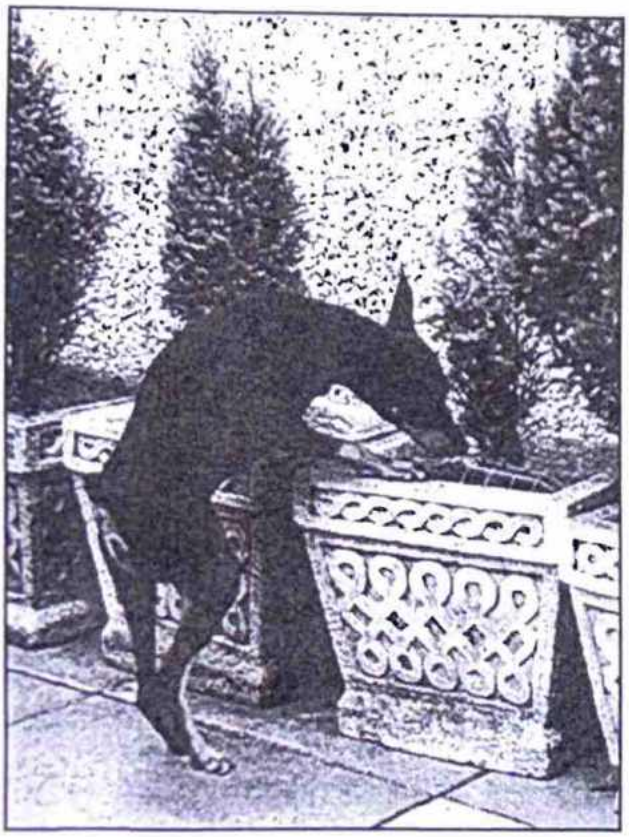
On the home front, Brenda Herbert also has a litter of carpet eating puppies, could this be something in their genes? Well we did use the same stud dog!!

Liz Thompson (Kent)

ANSWER TO THE CHRISTMAS QUIZ

In the Christmas edition of Pencil Marks, Thelma Rees set a tricky quiz. Congratulations to new member Mr B Thomas of Walthemstowe, who was very quick off the mark with the correct answer of 3 dogs. He won a pair of nail clippers, so no doubt his Min Pin is now cursing Thelma and his Dad for being so clever.

CAN YOU PUT A CAPTION TO THIS PICTURE?



send your caption to the editor and the best one will win a prize.

RECIPE FOR LIVER CAKE

INGREDIENTS

1/2lb of liver
4oz self raising flour
2 cloves of garlic
2 eggs (beaten)

METHOD

Cut liver into smallish pieces and put into food processor, add the flour , garlic cloves and eggs. Mix until smooth and then pour into a flat tin (ie sandwich tin). Bake for approx 1/2 hour. When cooked, cool, and when cold cut into appropriate sized cubes.

This cake can be put into bags and frozen, therefore you can make several amounts (enough for one show per bag) at once and then freeze them until you need them. Remove from freezer and defrost overnight.

Lesley Beecham

Unfortunately because of the rush to find a new printer and the cost, some articles that had been sent to me have had to be held over for the next edition. Thank you to everyone who sent things in and I promise that they will be printed in the Christmas "Pencil Marks" Thank you once again to Neil & Shelley for the artwork on the front cover. As many of you will know, they are expecting their first baby in September (around about the Club Championship Show - bad timing you two) so we have decided to try something different for the cover. Has anyone any preferences or ideas as to what they would like to see on the front of the newsletter? Let me know and I'll have a go.

Aileen.

GWYNSIAS

"THOMAS" IS ABOUT TO
"ROCK THE BOAT FOR GWYNSIAS"

OUR LATEST BAXTER BABY IS HOPING TO
CAPTIVATE YOU THIS YEAR WITH
HIS WICKED SENSE OF HUMOUR
(BY IRMAC ADDICTED TO LOVE FOR GWYNSIAS EX
CH GWYNSIAS TWIST IN STYLE)

THE BOYS ALL LIVE WITH RAYE

1 LLOYDS TERRACE
CYMMER
NR PORT TALBOT
PORT TALBOT

01639 851724

TELIDOR

"COOKIE" HAS "ROQUETTED INTO TELIDOR"
AND HOPES TO HAVE SOME FUN IN THE
RING THIS YEAR
(ANOTHER BAXTER BABY- SISTER TO THOMAS)

"KARI" IS ALSO HOPING TO HAVE HER
SHARE OF FUN BY "KARI - OKI - ING"
AROUND THE SCENE

(BY CH KILMUIR EL CONQUISTADOR EX
MOONSTYLE AT GWYNSIAS)

THE GIRLS ALL LIVE WITH THELMA

119 TANYGROES STREET
PORT TALBOT

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WHY DOGS ARE BETTER THAN MEN!!!

A light-hearted look at why some of us prefer our dogs! (and don't worry chaps - you'll get your own back in the Winter edition)

Gorgeous dogs don't know they are gorgeous

Dogs don't criticize your driving

Dogs think you are a culinary genius

Dogs understand if some of their friends can't come inside

Dogs don't interrupt your stories

You never wonder whether your dog is good enough for you

Dogs don't care that you earn more than they do

You can house train a dog

Dogs don't criticize your friends

The things we have to put up with to get a CC!

AUTO SUGGESTION?

Have you ever thought about how some dogs come by their names?

My first English Min Pin was bred by a school teacher who had a passion for Greek mythology or Indian names. My little bitch was registered Duskglow Sequam. Being by Ch Hayclose Hiawatha, her pet name was Minnie Ha- Ha and was called that, never Minnie. Next came Hayclose Haughty Lady, she had to be Hoity Toity. My son then bought a King Charles who had no idea what house trained meant, so I was forever screaming "Mop it up, Mop it up!" Thats right - he became Mopit! Then the Chinese Crested - one pure white who when prepared for a show really did glisten, she was Razzel Dazzle. Her sister, who was never still became Lulu. The cross Griffon - Min Pin became Em - ee (ME) and then last the GSD, Zillie by name silly by nature.

All this was brought about by Raye and Thelma's story of Ch Telidor Tuffluk at Gwynsias. So now it's over to you - how did your dogs come by their names?

Veronica O'Gorman

DOG TALES FROM WALES FROM GARY MASON

Reproduced from the Norwich terrier newsletter - sent in by Roger Goodenough

I thought I had heard everything. I have been chairman of a canine society for twenty five years, but at a recent meeting picking judges for forthcoming shows we had picked all group judges except toys. We had no name for toys, the meeting was dragging on, so from the chair I moved progress. I said "surely someone here knows someone who can do toys" a voice from the floor said "I believe Fisher Price is quite good". At this point another member shouted "yes Mr Chairman, I have been under him several times, I think I had a best of breed once." At this time the hall fell about laughing except the unfortunate person who had a Best of breed under fisher price!

NORTHERN LIMIT SHOW
NOVEMBER 1997

I would like to thank the committee for inviting me to judge the Northern Limit Show. I had a very enjoyable day and would like to thank the exhibitors for their entries and their friendly sporting manner. Overall the dogs were presented in excellent condition, very few had dirty teeth and most were well behaved. Thanks must also go to Ann, my very efficient steward.

Minor Puppy Dog

1 Jones' **MARXMIN SON OF A GUN**. Red dog. I liked his head and expression, he has a good shaped eye and good ear placement. A nicely shaped little man with a cobby body, his movement was excellent with hackney at the front and drive from behind. I would have preferred a little darker pigment but overall he is a nice dog.

2 Buffery's **CEINION HERE COMES TROUBLE**. Aptly named! Another red boy similar to 1 but slightly finer in bone. Just six months old, nice head, nicely arched neck, good mover when he did decide to concentrate and not bark at everything in sight. I think his handler found him rather a handful today. When he settles down I think he should do well.

Puppy Dog

1 McLean's **NEW ERA FOR NATHAN**. What a puppy! Well marked b/t with good bone, he has a beautiful head and expression, graceful neck, a fantastic mover with great ring prescence. This puppy has a great future ahead of him. I tried to take him home but to no avail. It therefore goes without saying I made him my BPD and BPIS

2 Lynch's **QUEENSFERRY SNUGGLEBUG**.Another lovely boy. B/T, correctly marked, nice head although slightly long in fore face for me. He has good ear placement which gives him a good expression. Slightly longer in body than 1, moved well.

3 Weeks' **COPADEMAR DAREIUS**.

Graduate Dog

1 Weeks' **IRMAC DELTA LOVE**. B/T short coupled, well marked. Slightly broad in skull, nice neck leading onto correct shoulders. Short backed little dog, good cat feet, he moved well but just needed that little more sparkle.

2 Barnes' **NORLEYBANK SPARKLER IN ALCUM**. Red dog, I liked his head and small ears, graceful neck. Slightly larger than 1 but he moved and showed well, well put together dog.

3 Purnells' **KILMUIR CENTAURUS**.

Open dog

1 Pilkington's **MAINCREST MACKESON AT MARXMIN**. I have always admired this dog from a puppy and was not disappointed when I went over him. Lovely head with strong muzzle, good bite, graceful neck leading into strong shoulders and body. Moved

and showed well. I made him my BD and BIS. A lovely dog.

Minor Puppy Bitch
1 Pilkington's **MARXMIN SPIRIT OF PERNOD**. 6 and a half month old red bitch. Good strong head, nice ear placement, correct dark eye. Short coupled with excellent bone, good cat feet. Moved and showed well. BPB

Puppy Bitch
1 **MARXMIN SPIRIT OF PERNOD**
2 Lynch's **QUEENSFERRY ENIGMA**, B/T. well marked, she has a strong head with expression, good ear placement. Longer in body than 1. Good cat feet with correct pencil markings, moved and showed well.
3 Weeks' **COPADEMAR DITHYRAMBIC**.

Junior Bitch
1 Weeks' **COPADEMAR DIAPHANTES**. B/T Short coupled, well marked. A little broad in skull, nice cat feet, moved and showed well.

Novice Bitch
as Junior

Graduate Bitch
1 McLean's **KILMUIR QUICK AS A FLASH TO ASHLAR**. B/T She has a short coupled body and is well marked. I liked her head, she has a correct dark eye. She moved and showed really well, but could just lose a little weight.
2 Evans' **REMY MARTIN VON MORGENLUFT**. A lovely clear red bitch.Nice head with graceful neck, ears slightly large. Nicely made girl who moved well round the ring. Not showing as well as 1
3 Mclean's **KILMUIR QUALITY STREET**.

Open Bitch
1 Barnes' **NORLEYBANK JEWELS**. B/T Excellent head, dark eye, swan like neck leading into correct shoulders and body. Moved and showed like a dream. Never took her eyes off her mum. I made her my BB and RBIS. Lovely bitch.
2 Wilkinson's **COPADEMAR TO KELJANTZI**. B/T 10 mth old bitch. I liked her head but ears a little large. Short cobby body, tight cat feet. Very unsettled to start with on the move, but once she did settle, she has excellent hackney movement.
3 Buffery's **CEINION BETTA GET STEPPIN**

Special Open Bred by Exhibitor
1 Cody's **LAYJAY LIBERTY**. Red boy, strong head and muzzle, graceful neck, short coupled.He moved and showed really well , I couldn't believe he was eight years old.
2 McLean's **KMUIR QUICK AS A FLASH TO KILMUIR**
3 McLean's **KILMUIR QUALITY STREET**

Special Open not Bred by Exhibitor
1 McLean's **KILMUIR GOLDENCORN NACRE**. b/t , short coupled, nice head and ear placement, well marked, moved well with good hackney.

NORTHERN LIMIT SHOW
NOVEMBER 1997 (cont'd)

2 Purnell's **KILMUIR CENTAURUS**
3 Preece's **KENWU CASSIS VIA LAYJAY**
Special Junior Handling for Junior Members

1 **Katy Smith handling TUBIZE TURBO CLASSIC**. Katy presented the dog well to me both on the table and on the move. I think that she could show some of her elders what to do. Well done Katy.

Special Open Brace
1 **Weeks' brace** of Black/ Tans
2 **Weeks' & Lynch's Brace** of Black/Tans

Diane Gentle
Judge

I received the following letter from Sue Kennedy to thank everyone for their kindness after Howard's death.

Dear Aileen,

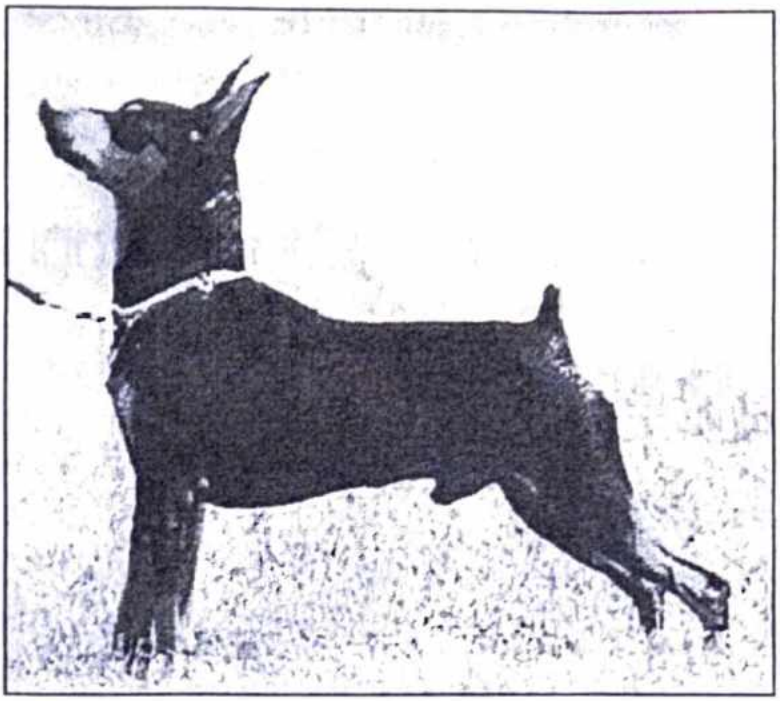
Please would you insert an acknowledgement in the next newsletter thanking everyone for their cards, letters and donations received in December last when Howard died. Special thanks to Liz Elliott for the lovely obituary notice in Dog World and to Brenda Cody for being such a good and special friend.

As you know, Howard was ill for nearly two years and in 1997 we got to very few shows - the last Championship show being Blackpool. However, he saw my new puppy which arrived with me four days before he died and I am sure that he is watching over us now.

Thanks again everyone.

Regards
Sue Kennedy

Vardenais



Vardenais Crescent Moon

Southern Counties CC & BOB - Mr Peter Jolley
Blackpool CC & BOB - Mr Harry Jordon

Simon also has a string of RCCs - to numerous to list. the first as an eleven month old puppy. the latest at Windsor this year.

He has also had 3 BIS (including the Min Pin Clubs first Open Show) 2 RBIS & many Toy Groups

My heartfelt thanks to all the judges who have thought so highly of my special little showman.

Thanks also to friends & fellow exhibitors for their cards of congratulations following his wins at Southern Counties & Blackpool.

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CONGRATULATIONS TO

LIZANTHE LA CUCARACHA
AT NELLESH

(Sam is owned & loved by Sue Kennedy)

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BPIB - Border Union - Judge Mrs J Mitchell
Best Puppy Dog - Blackpool - Judge Mr H Jordan

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LOTTIE

Looking back three years to when Lottie first joined the family, I cannot believe that she is the same dog; we had had dogs of different breeds over the years and I felt I knew what to expect from an eight week old pup. How wrong I was !. Lottie soon impressed her personality on the household and exhibited most of the Min Pin characteristics of which we had been warned. Unfortunately she arrived at the end of November and was necessarily housebound until after Christmas and her last injection.

For our peace of mind and easier housetraining, we kept a nursery gate against the kitchen door in the daytime and in the evenings she had a playpen in the sitting room, so that we could watch T. V. Fat chance! .in the pen, with plenty to chew up and play with, she leapt in the air and made such a din demolishing cardboard boxes and the newspaper flooring that quiet enjoyment went out of the window. We despaired of successful housetraining, and had to visit our G P for anti tetanus jabs after a particularly exuberant game.

One dreadful mid - winter day, I did seriously consider contacting the Min Pin rescue - all my 6am play sessions on the kitchen floor hadn't seemed to produce a warm relationship; however I felt I must persevere, that things must improve. After a memorable day at Christmas, when Lottie, alone in the sitting room, decided to change channels on the T V and then bite through an electric cable. After letting out an ear splitting scream, things somehow did begin to improve.

The prospect of going for a walk cheered us all up and eventually we let her off in Richmond Park. She was off like a rocket and it was only due to some kind stranger who scooped her up in mid - flight that we got her back. I had been assured that Lottie would be able to join me for country rambles after she was a year old and was amazed that she could eventually go on 14 mile walks and be eager to go again!

Three years on, Lottie displays all the good Min Pin qualities: she is absolutely fearless and independent, but is always eager to play, an affectionate and obedient companion who also now enjoys watching T V from the comfort of my lap!!

I couldn't imagine life without her!!!

Patricia Pepper