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THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE DALMATIAN CLUB OF SAN DIEGO COUNTY

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MEETING NOTICE

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 1993

The General meeting will be held following the Dal judging at the BAHIA SUR KENNEL CLUB. (Southwestern College)

If you are not entered in the show, call a Board member to find out the judging time and directions.

Nancy Dandrea will be coordinating "snacks". Please bring whatever you would like to drink.

DUES NOTICE

Dues were due by January 31st. There are a number of you with lapsed membership. Please either bring your check (made out to Debbi Jones) to the Bahia Sur show or send her a check **NOW!**

MUNCHIES NOTICE

Depending on the Dal judging time at Silver Bay (Feb. 28th) we will be having either coffee and doughnuts or wine and cheese for all Dal exhibitors.

Remember the deadline for March's DOT TO DOT is February 21st; give your articles & brags to Cindy Lyford.

DALMATIAN CLUB OF SAN DIEGO COUNTY

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PRESIDENT'S SPOT



GENERAL MEETING - DECEMBER 19,1992

The General Meeting of DCSDC was called to order by President Lisa Means at 8:15p.m. following our annual Christmas dinner at the home of Debbie Goddard.

OFFICERS' REPORTS

PRESIDENT--LISA MEANS

Lisa thanked Debbie for her hospitality. She reported receiving a thank you letter from Tom Harris regarding the match show. Lisa congratulated all the winners and participants. Lisa reminded everybody that dues were due at the end of the month.

TREASURER--NANCY DANDREA

New Balance--$935. We made $178. at our arts and crafts table at the match show. Nancy reported that we had not yet received our money from Del Dios. $55. was paid out for the Franchise Tax Board.

UNFINSHED BUSINESS

Carol Petit reminded everybody to send her the member information forms for currently owned dogs and 1992 show activity. We need this information for the AKC.

Cindy passed out copies of information received fron the Regional Council.

Carol Petit and Debbie Goddard were elected to serve on the Board for the next three years.

Following brags the meeting was adjourned at 8:45p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cindy Lyford, Secretary

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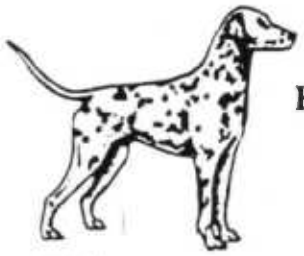
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owners: Nancy Dandrea & Jan Hill

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January 26, 1993

TO SECRETARIES OF ALL DALMATIAN REGIONAL SPECIALTY CLUBS:

Are your members aware that within a list of proposed changes recommended by the Obedience Advisory Committee, Item #14 states that DEAF dogs shall be permitted to compete in obedience competition! (See enclosure - AKC Gazette, Dec. 1992, page 121) This entire concept is in direct opposition with the stand the Board of Governors of the Dalmatian Club of America, Inc. has taken in regard to deafness in Dalmatians. (See enclosure) This Item #14 permitting DEAF dogs to take part in obedience competition will be included in the revised AKC Obedience Regulations and Guidelines for Obedience Judges unless a great deal of disapproving mail is received by the AKC by March 1, 1993. Cathy Murphy, longtime obedience columnist for the SPOTTER, is incensed at the idea as should we all be. (Enclosed is a copy of her exemplary letter of protest written to the American Kennel Club.) We as Dalmatian fanciers are striving mightly to cope with and to overcome this terrible genetic problem of deafness in our breed, therefore, we Dal fanciers should come out enmasse against such a proposal!

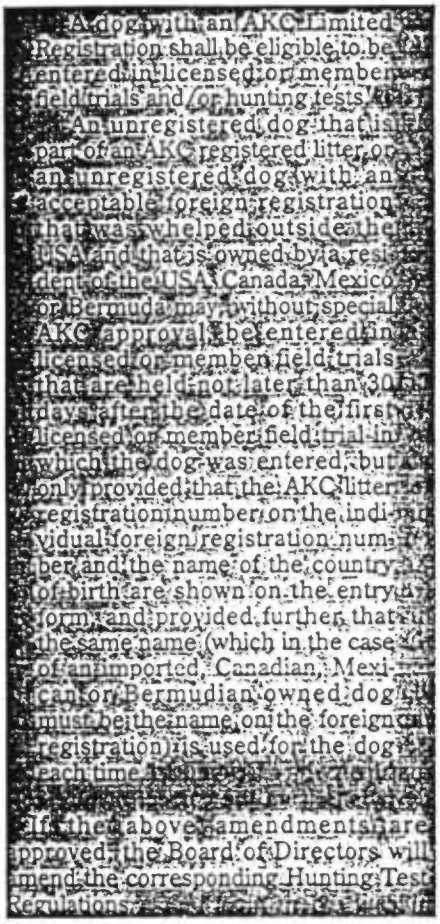
At your next Dal Regional Specialty Club meeting, please advise your membership of this important matter and vigorously encourage them all to write letters to the American Kennel Club; Attention: Obedience Department; 51 Madison Avenue; New York, New York 10010 in opposition to the AKC acceptance of Item #14.

Sincerely,

Anne T. Fleming

Anne T. Fleming,
Corresponding Secretary

AKC Digest Dec. 1992


A dog with an AKC Limited Registration shall be eligible to be entered in licensed or member field trials and/or hunting tests. An unregistered dog that is a part of an AKC registered litter or an unregistered dog with an acceptable foreign registration that was whelped outside the USA and that is owned by a resident of the USA, Canada, Mexico or Bermuda may, without special AKC approval, be entered in licensed or member field trials that are held not later than 30 days after the date of the first licensed or member field trial in which the dog was entered, but only provided that the AKC litter registration number on the individual foreign registration number and the name of the country of birth are shown on the entry form and provided further that the same name (which in the case of an imported Canadian, Mexican or Bermudian owned dog must be the name on the foreign registration) is used for the dog each time it is entered. If these above amendments are approved, the Board of Directors will amend the corresponding Hunting Test Regulations.

Obedience Advisory Committee

The Obedience Advisory Committee met in Baltimore, Maryland on August 29 and 30, 1992.

The Committee has recommended, as contained in the minutes, the following proposed changes in the Obedience Regulations and Guidelines for Obedience Judges. (The recommendations of the Committee are given in general terms; the exact language of the revisions in the Regulations will be developed by the Obedience Department.)

Letters with comments or suggestions concerning the proposed changes should be sent to AKC's Obedience Department by March 1, 1993.

1. Allow dogs 7 years or older to enter the Veterans Class.

2. Permit anyone to position a blind handler before beginning an exercise.

3. The order of presentation of awards shall be at the Judge's option: either 1, 2, 3, 4 or 4, 3, 2, 1.

4. Permit a handler to continue to show for 45 days in that class after attaining a title.

5. Create a new AKC title based on earning qualifying scores in either Utility A or B and Open B at the same trial and award the title after this has been accomplished at a total of 10 trials.

6. Eliminate the special exception for Lhasa Apsos tying back the hair.

7. If a Judge receives two unsatisfactory observations by two different Obedience Field Representatives within one year or within 5 assignments, whichever is greater; then withhold judging approval for all Obedience classes indefinitely.

To regain Obedience judging approval, the applicant must:

a. Provide proof he/she will judge by the Regulations.

b. Attend an AKC Obedience seminar.

c. After having satisfied the first two requirements, a single assignment may be accepted where the applicant must receive a satisfactory observation by an Obedience Field Representative.

d. After having satisfied all requirements, approval will be reinstated to judge the same classes as before the withdrawal of approval was initiated.

8. Create a new award ("Best in Trial") to be awarded at the club's discretion. The winner of the award will be determined by a run-off between first place from each regular class.

9. Eliminate judging conflict between a Specialty Club and an All-Breed Club. (A Judge could judge for a Specialty Club on Friday and an All-Breed Club on the following Saturday.)

10. The Committee expressed concern and recommended to the Board of Directors that the judging approval process be shortened where possible.

11. The Committee strongly recommended that there be adequate matting for the working surface and that jumps shall be of any suitable material that meets the rigidity and weight characteristics of wood. The dimensions of the jumps shall be illustrated in the Regulations. The Committee also recommended that the AKC Obedience Department communicate with the Superintendents regarding the condition of equipment.

12. Change the scent article exercise so that, on order from the Judge, the handler may begin scenting an article. Also, modify a statement in **Chapter 5, Section 7** (next to last paragraph on page 38) so that the Regulations will read: "The handler may give his scent to the dog by gently touching the dog's nose with the palm of one open hand, but this may only be done after the Judge has given the order to 'Send your dog,' but before turning to send the dog and while the dog and handler have their backs to the articles and arm and hand must be returned to a natural position before handler and dog turn to face the articles."

13. Reissue the previously published letter clarifying the go-out in the Directed Jumping exercise. Also, delete the words, "stopping on command and" from **Chapter 5, Section 14** (Directed Jumping, Scoring). The regulation will begin: "A dog must receive a score of zero for the following: anticipating the handler's command and/or signal to go out, not leaving the handler, not going out between the jumps, not remaining at least 10 feet beyond the jumps." (The remainder of the regulation remains unchanged.)

14. Permit deaf dogs to compete.

15. Eliminate any minimum number of dogs required to earn a leg towards a title.

16. In the Directed Retrieve, clarify giving of the direction by changing the Regulations to state "right side of the dog at any height, but not above the dog's head."

17. Dogs with a title from any registry other than AKC must enter the "B" designation for any class entered, not the "A" class.

18. Entries shall be sequenced in the catalog in random order, but may allow single entered dogs to be made the first participants in Open B in order to minimize conflicts between Open B and Utility B.

19. Do not allow guiding by the collar in any class.

20. On the Novice Stand and the Utility Moving Stand, change the Regulations to read: "Shyness shall be penalized from minor to substantial to the extent of zero, depending upon the circumstances. Penalties for growling, snapping, or moving away remain unchanged."

21. Publicize a starting time for the first class only. Other classes follow at the conclusion of the earlier class or classes (i.e., adopt the Regulation currently in effect for Specialty Trials).

22. Training aids such as, but not limited to; food, balls, squeaky toys, etc., are not allowed for playing, motivating, or warming up a dog within 25 feet of the ring.

23. Put a list of Obedience publications in the Regulations. Also, publish in the Regulations the letter describing what is allowed when warming up a dog.

Dalmatian Club of America, Inc.

From the Board of Governors, DCA
Subject: Dalmatian Deafness

With the rising popularity of the Dalmatian breed, there has been a rapid increase in the number of deaf Dalmatian pups showing up in homes, pet shops and Humane Societies across the country. THIS IS A VERY SERIOUS PROBLEM.

Deafness is NOT uncommon in Dalmatians. It has been estimated that from 10% to 12% of the breed is deaf. Recent discoveries in the genetics of deafness have made it possible to reduce the incidence of deafness, with the possibility of virtually eliminating it in the future. Hearing research is currently being financed by the Dalmatian Club of America, various regional Dalmatian clubs and interested individuals. However, for the time being, it is important that deaf pups be dealt with in a responsible and HUMANE fashion.

Responsible breeders NEVER knowingly sell, place or give away deaf pups to pet homes. Deaf pups should ALWAYS be humanely destroyed by a veterinarian. In the event that a deaf pup is inadvertently placed, it should be replaced with a hearing pup. Many breeders have their deaf pups put down at three to four weeks, though some choose to wait a few weeks longer. Dalmatian pups normally start to hear at fourteen to sixteen days of age, and hear by five weeks of age if they are going to hear.

The deaf pups which are showing up in unsuspecting homes, pet shops and Humane Societies are generally bred by either "commercial breeders" (puppy mills) or by inexperienced Dalmatian owners who are unaware of deafness in the breed, are unable to identify deaf pups or are unwilling to have them put down. NO ONE should consider raising a litter of Dalmatians without being prepared to deal responsibly with any resulting deaf puppies.

The Dalmatian Club of America Board of Governors feels very strongly that deaf pups should NEVER be sold, placed or given away, and most certainly should not be bred from. Deaf Dalmatians are hard to raise, difficult to control (they are often hit by cars when they "escape") and often become snappish or overly aggressive, especially when startled.

IF YOU ARE THE OWNER OF A FEMALE DALMATIAN, and plan to raise a litter, be sure that you are prepared to deal responsibly with any resulting deaf pups. If you have trouble identifying deaf pups, please ask for assistance from an experienced breeder. IF YOU ARE A STUD DOG OWNER, be sure that your stud contract requires that deaf pups be properly handled.

IF YOU ARE THE OWNER OF A DEAF DALMATIAN, and are having problems with the dog, don't feel"guilty" about it. Consider starting over with a healthy, hearing pup. (And DO have the deaf dog put down.)

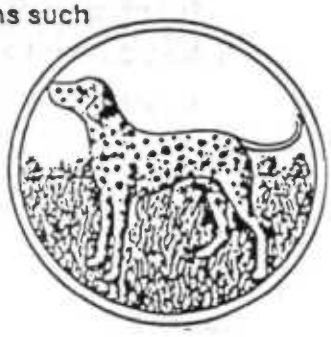
IF YOU ARE AFFILIATED WITH AN ANIMAL SHELTER, HUMANE SOCIETY OR DOG RESCUE SERVICE, PLEASE do not attempt to place the deaf Dalmatian puppies and adults that come in, and do not advertise for a "special home" for the"poor little deaf Dalmatian." The HUMANE approach is to put down the deaf Dals and concentrate on finding good homes for the healthy, hearing dogs.

IF YOU ARE A PET SHOP OWNER, please remember that deaf Dalmatians should NEVER be sold.

IF YOU ARE PLANNING TO PURCHASE A DALMATIAN, contact the Dalmatian Club of America, the closest regional Dal club, or an experienced local breeder who will guarantee that any pups offered for sale have normal hearing.

IF YOU ARE A VETERINARIAN, please advise your clients to put down any deaf pups they may have bred. PLEASE do not make it any more difficult for your client by suggesting that perhaps a "special" home might be found. With the enormous surplus of unwanted dogs in this country, there is no need to preserve dogs with problems such as deafness.

For further information, Mrs. Fleming at 901-761-3525 or write:
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FIRE PREVENTION

NOW is a good time to take stock of how you can prevent fires and save your dogs, if a fire should break out.

Recently a beautiful home was destroyed by fire. The owners were aroused by the dogs' alarm and only had time to gather the dogs and dash from the house. There was no possibility of re-entering the house. Luckily the owner remembered reading that animals tend to become confused at fires and try to run back into a burning building, so the dogs were placed in a car away from the house.

How do you pick up an armful of wriggling excited dogs ? How do you manage several large excited dogs ? Whom do you take first ? What happens when you have only time for one armload or one dog on a lead ?

One solution, of course, is a smoke alarm - to get ahead of the fire. But even then time is definitely not on your side. Frequent fire drills can help - for dogs are not predictable and react erratically in an emergency situation. For small dogs an excellent idea is a grocery cart with fire-proof material, parked near a bucket of water. You can put the dogs from the crates or kennel into the cart - even on top of each other - cover them with the wet blanket and roll them out of the building. This would not work for larger dogs but would work with puppies, small or medium dogs. Dogs with long coats would be protected by the wet blanket covering them and the fire-proof sides of the cart. Aluminum is not advised as it becomes too hot. A porous, or woven blanket or sheet would allow breathing space but prevent smoke inhalation.

Smoke alarms should be part of the building plans for any owner or breeder. It can given you an extra margin of time. Some fires smolder and then flare up suddenly, others give a warning of smoke which sets off the alarm and lets you act before the fire takes over. If you should use alarms, check them frequently.

Fire drills are extremely good practice for your household and help. Have an escape plan, and make sure everyone knows what to do. To avoid bumping into one another, and wasting time duplicating one another's actions, fire drills are necessary.

Dogs themselves are excellent smoke alarms - if you listen to them, especially at night, when it would be so easy to pass off their barking to a trespassing cat or dog. When they bark, INVESTIGATE. Remember your fire drill procedure. Their sense of smell is more sensitive than yours - trust them. Remember animals act differently in emergencies, you will have to guide them, reassure them and prevent them from re-entering the burning house. If you have an attached garage, put an extra set of car keys handy so that you can put the dogs in the car and move the car away from the house.

Kennel and registration papers can be destroyed by fire. Make duplicate copies and put them in your safety deposit box.

Please remember to include your dogs in your fire prevention drills - THEY ARE YOUR RESPONSIBILITY !

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MEETING NOTICE

SATURDAY, MARCH 27, 1993

Our general meeting will be held at the Mt. Palomar match show in Ramona. A flyer will be mailed out with the judging times and directions.

* Sharon & Randy Thomsen will be hosting.

* Bob Candleland will be judging Dals.

* Jan Hill will be judging Jr. Handling.

TENTATIVE 1993 MEETING DATES

DATE	PLACE/PROGRAM	HOST
March 27th	Mt. Palomar Match	Sharon & Randy
April 24th		
May 22nd	Del Sur KC show	
June 12th	DCSDC Match site	
July/August	no meeting	
September 18th	Canine Good Citizenship practise session	Cindy
October 16th	Dog Daze III	Nan
November 13th	Del Sur KC show	
December 18th	Christmas party	

As you can see we still need a host site and program for our April meeting. Call Carol Petit with your ideas.

Remember the deadline for April's DOT TO DOT is March 28th; give your articles & brags to Cindy Lyford.

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GENERAL MEETING - FEBRUARY 21, 1993

The general meeting of DCSDC was held on February 21, 1993 following Dal judging at the Bahia Sur KC show. President Carol Petit opened the meeting at 12:10p.m. Carol asked for a roll call of officers and Board members and then welcomed guests. Thanks to Nancy Dandrea for coordinating our pot luck.

SECRETARY'S REPORT--CINDY LYFORD

Cindy gave a synopsis of the February Board meeting. She also passed out copies of the letter that Cathy Murphy wrote to the AKC regarding their proposal of allowing deaf dogs to compete in obedience.

TREASURER'S REPORT--DEBBI JONES

New balance: $1049. Debbi is looking into opening a club bank account.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

MATCH SHOW

Debbie Goddard reported that she had not discussed the match show with Lisa Means since the Board meeting. Carol asked that everyone consider the ways that they would like to make a contribution.

INCORPORATION

Sharon reported that initial incorporation papers are in process and that it usually takes 3-4 months.

EDUCATION - No report

MEMBERSHIP

Cindy reported that seven applications have been given out.

NEWSLETTER

Cindy reported that Rob & Merry Shaver are moving to Austin, Texas. Jan & Ron Hill will be helping with the *Dot to Dot* layout. She also asked members for business card ads.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS - See committee reports

NEW BUSINESS

Carol asked for a volunteer(s) to take over for Rob & Merry as program chair.

Carol brought up the question of trophy donations for regional specialties and the DCA. After some discussion, Chuck Davis made the following motion:

The DCSDC will donate, if solicited, $25. to the trophy fund for the DCA National and the regional specialties of the Dalmatian Club of So. Cal., the Dalmatian Club of Phoenix and the Dalmatian Club of Las Vegas.

The motion was voted on and passed.

Carol suggested that a letter be written to the AKC and the DCA stating our concerns of deaf dogs being allowd to compete in obedience. Cindy will take care of this. Carol also suggested the individual members also write to the AKC

Carol McAndrew reported that she had been contacted by a dog company wanting our membership list. It was decided that we would send dog companies ONLY our membership list. If other companies wanted it, the members would be given the information and could do as they wished.

Carol McAndrew also suggested that we have post cards printed up with some information about DCSDC. These would be mailed out to prospective members, vets etc. Sharon Thomsen will work up a sample.

Our next meeting is March 27th. Sharon will host.

We will a have a wine & cheese party following the Dal judging at Silver Bay KC next week.

Following brags the meeting was adjourned at 1:40p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cindy Lyford

Cindy Lyford, Secretary



CALLING ALL MEMBERS!

HELP!

We need a program chairperson(s). Please call Carol Petit (741-5012) if you are interested in this position. Also, if anyone has any ideas for programs, give one of the Board members a call or bring it up at a meeting. Remember--this is YOUR club--we need YOUR input!

REMINDER

If you have sold puppies recently--or not so recently-- be sure to extend an invitation to the owners to attend our meetings. We seem to be fairly good at inviting our "show" prospect owners to attend meetings, but what about our "pet" owners? Don't leave them hanging. The information that we can impart to them may save a puppy from ending up as a rescue dog.



Rob, Merry, Star and Sprite Shaver are moving to Austin, Texas. Rob and Merry will be starting up their own business--a high tech book store. With Merry's previous bookstore experience and Rob's computer knowledge (and love of books) they should do very well.

Star and Sprite will certainly miss "dog beach" and all their neighborhood friends, but surely will find another "doggie" recreation area and make new friends.

Thanks Rob and Merry for all your help on the newsletter!

We all wish you the best of luck in Austin.

Bye 

NOTICE

The 1993 DCSDC membership roster will be included in the April issue of Dot to Dot.



DEAR ABBY:

When I travel, I like to take my dog with me, which presents a problem because not all hotels allow dogs.

I recently stopped at a hotel where I was made welcome with my pet, and I saw a framed notice hanging in the lobby. It tickled me, and if it tickles you, maybe you'll run it in your column.



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DEAR DOG LOVER: I've been tickled by a version of that notice, but in case some readers haven't, I'll run it.

Thanks for a well-deserved tribute to man's best friend.



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Daffodil .....Bulbs cause nausea, vomiting, diarrhea. May be fatal.

Dutchman's Breeches .....Foliage and roots may be poisonous in large amounts. Have proven fatal to cattle.

Elderberry .....All parts except berry. Children have been poisoned by using pieces of the pithy stems for blowguns. Nausea and digestive upset.

Foxglove .....Leaves are one of the sources of the drug digitalis. In large amounts causes irregular heartbeat and pulse, digestive upset and mental confusion. May be fatal.

Golden chain .....Bean-like capsule causes severe poisoning. Excitement, staggering, convulsions and coma. May be fatal.

Hyacinth .....Bulbs cause nausea, vomiting, diarrhea. May be fatal.

Iris .....Underground stems cause severe digestive upset but not usually serious.

Jack-in-the-pulpit .....All parts, especially roots contain small needle-like crystals of calcium oxalate that cause intense irritation and burning of the mouth and tongue.

Larkspur .....Young plant and seeds cause digestive upset, nervous excitement, depression. May be fatal.

Lily of the Valley .....Leaves and flowers cause irregular heart beat and pulse, usually accompanied by digestive upset and mental confusion.

Mistletoe .....Berries are fatal. Both children and adults have died from eating the berries.

Narcissus .....Bulbs cause nausea, vomiting, diarrhea. May be fatal.

Oleander .....Leaves and branches are extremely poisonous. Affects the heart, produces severe digestive upset and has caused death.

Poinsettia .....Leaves are fatal. One leaf can kill a child.

Rhubarb .....Leaf blade is fatal. Large amounts of raw or cooked leaves can cause convulsions, coma, followed rapidly by death.

Yew .....Berries and foliage are fatal. Foliage more toxic than berries. Death is usually sudden without warning symptoms.

Please see your physician immediately if any of these plants or flowers are taken internally.

(The plants and flowers listed here only represent a partial list of the most common variety of flowers and plants found in the home or garden.)

IS YOUR HOUSEHOLD SAFE?

by Richard Allen

Most breeders know about the dangers that are in the common household cleaners and detergents for their children, but are they just as alert to the dangers for their dogs?

Dr. Walter E. Weirich, head of the Small Animal Clinic at Purdue University's School of Veterinary Medicine, says that at least ¾ of the pet injuries the clinic sees could have been prevented by owners.

One of the worst offenders is the garbage can. We don't eat spoiled food, but a dog can't tell the difference. A dog may be fed a balanced diet, and yet he will be unable to resist the scents coming from a garbage can. Eating spoiled food can cause severe vomiting and diarrhea for several days, and can even prove fatal.

Another danger is the bone! Splintered bones can cause perforations, and some dogs develop constipation problems severe enough to cause surgery. Most dog owners know the danger of the chicken bone, but do not know that pork bones splinter just as easily, and that the fiber from steak bones can disturb the digestive tract of the dog. Not all bones are taboo, the round bone usually is indestructable - only be careful not to give too small a bone, for the dog could get it lodged in his throat.

Does your pet like to drink out of the toilet bowl? There is a danger here, too, if you have one of those deodorizer/cleansers in the tank of the toilet bowl. The lye in the toilet bowl cleaner can cause severe damage. Play safe - keep the lid closed.

Like children, dogs are curious, so be sure to keep your household cleaners high enough to be out of their reach. One dog was able to open a touch-switch cabinet door under the sink, and knock over some powdered cleanser, which he got on his paws. Licking the paws to clean them, he ingested enough to be thoroughly sick. Fortunately it was not enough to be serious.

Aerosol cans can be a real hazard, especially if the dog accidentally gets in the way of the spray. Delicate membranes in the nose can be affected, and blinding may result if the eye is sprayed.

Yorkies like to attack anything that is noisy - as the vacuum cleaner is. With his long coat, this could be very dangerous if the sweeper were to get too close to the dog, or vice versa.

Those owners who smoke should be very careful not to leave ashtrays unattended. If a cigarette is not completely out, a fire could start if the dog would upset the ashtray - or he could even set himself on fire. A young puppy could playfully toy with an old cigarette stub, the filter kind, and chew or swallow it, or perhaps get it lodged in this throat.

Some dogs will chew anything in sight, so be careful what you leave around the house. A toothpick could become lodged in the roof of the dog's mouth; nylon hose are often chewed by dogs - and they are indigestible.

These are only a few of the hazards in your home; for the love of your dog, eliminate them, or neutralize them.

YORKIE TALES

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TO SPAY, OR NOT TO SPAY

SHOULD YOU OR SHOULDN'T YOU ?

Spaying prevents the animal from bearing young or coming into season. The bitch will normally come into season for the first time at the age of six to nine months. This period lasts about three weeks and usually occurs twice a year until the end of her life. If you do not really want your pet to have a litter or go through heat periods, then by all means, have her spayed. Spaying will not change her personality or physical condition and, contrary to popular myth, spaying does not make an animal fat and lazy - almost all "Seeing-eye" dogs are spayed females ! It does lower the metabolic rate, so less food is required. If spaying is performed before the animal is sexually mature (before the first heat), mammory tumors, pyometra and genitourinary infections can be prevented. These conditions are very common in unspayed bitches.

WHAT IS THE OPERATION ?

The operation is an ovariohysterectomy. It is major surgery and a general anaesthetic is required. After the animal to be spayed is prepared for surgery and anaesthetized, a 2 to 3 inch incision is made in the abdomen, the entire uterus and the ovaries are then removed. The incision is then closed again by stitching it back together.

WHEN SHOULD IT BE DONE ?

An animal can be spayed at any time. However, there are certain times when the risks of surgery are greater, such as while she is in season, when very close to delivering a litter, or when she is not in good general health. These times are to be avoided, if possible. Most veterinarians feel there is no advantage to allowing her to have a litter. Veterinarians generally agree that the best age to spay a bitch is around 5 - 6 months of age, before the animal has a season. Since animals mature at different rates, leave the precise timing up to your veterinarian. It is recommended to wait 2 - 3 weeks after weaning a litter or 3 weeks or more after passing out of season.

HOW LONG WILL SHE HAVE TO BE IN THE HOSPITAL ?

Dogs that have been spayed are hospitalized from one to three days, depending on the health and age of the dog, as well as the requirements of the particular veterinarian.

WHAT ABOUT AFTERCARE ?

Not much aftercare is required after spaying. It is important that you do not feed or give your dog water for the first hour after getting home. Many dogs are very excited on returning home and sometimes make themselves ill by eating and drinking too much right after they arrive home. Confine your pet to the house, if possible, and take her out on a leash as needed for the first few days. Prevent her from jumping up and down as much as possible, as this could stretch and open the incision. Prevent her from licking and biting the stitches. If you notice her doing so and cannot prevent it, call your veterinarian for advice. Finally, you will have to make an appointment to have the stitches removed - usually 1 - 2 weeks after surgery.

HOW MUCH WILL IT COST ?

Modern surgery by skilled veterinarians cannot be performed cheaply. Your veterinarian is obligated, legally and morally, to perform surgery in a humane and sterile manner. A spay can cost $50. or more - that's a lot of money ! And yet, compared to other costs of owning a dog, the cost of neutering is still a bargain. Spaying will save endless worry, inconvenience, expense and possibly, the unpleasant task of having lovable, unwanted puppies destroyed.

Devilled Shrimp a La Dal

have ready, 1½ lbs. shelled shrimp, freshly cooked. In a skillet heat 5 tblsp. butter & cook in it 4 tblsp. flour. Stir constantly. Don't let the flour brown. Gradually add 3 cups scalded milk. When mixture starts to thicken, add 2 generous tsp. curry powder, 1 tblsp. Dijon mustard, 2 tblsp. worcestershire sauce 3 tblsp. dry sherry, a pinch cayenne, a pinch of nutmeg & salt & pepper to taste. When mixture begins bubbling, turn off heat. Stir in 3 egg yolks beaten with 2 tblsp. Sherry - add shrimp, cover. Let stand a few minutes. Serve on cooked rice. May also be served on toast.

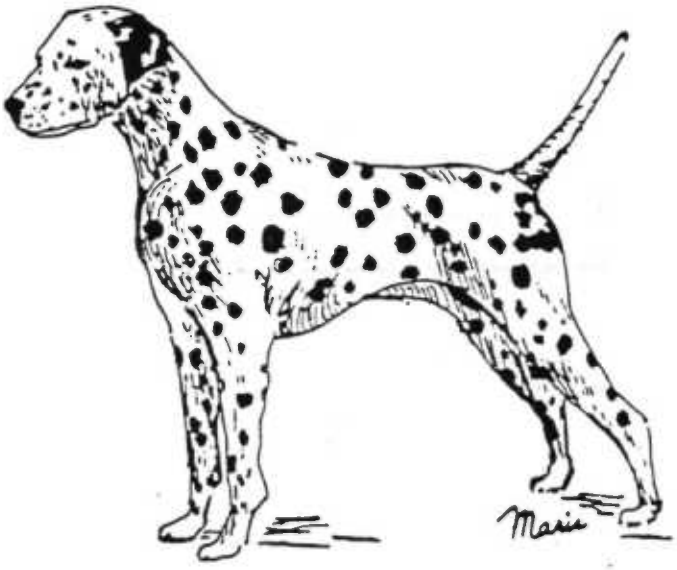
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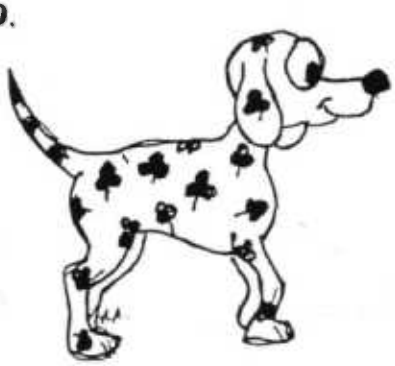
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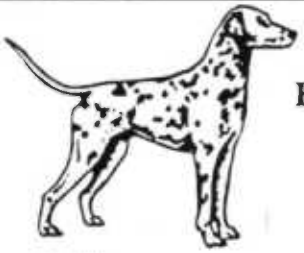
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MEETING NOTICE

SATURDAY, MAY 22, 1993

Our general meeting will be held following the Dal judging at the Cabrillo KC show.

We will have both a raffle table and a hospitality table. Please be sure to bring a raffle item with you!

If you are not entered in the show, call a Board member for the judging time.

MATCH SHOW

SATURDAY, JUNE 12, 1993

Our first independent match show will be held at the Escondido Humane Society.

Our conformation judge will be Cathie Spencer. Cindy Lyford and Lisa Means will share the obedience judging duties.

Entries will be taken from 10am and judging will begin at 11am SHARP.

Directions and further information will appear in the next newsletter.

PLEASE NOTE: The deadline for the June newsletter is May 23rd.

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GENERAL MEETING - MAY 22, 1993	

GENERAL MINUTES--MARCH 27, 1993

The general meeting of DCSDC was held on March 27, 1993 following the Dal judging at the Mt. Palomar match show. President Carol Petit opened the meeting at 1:25p.m.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as printed in DOT to DOT.

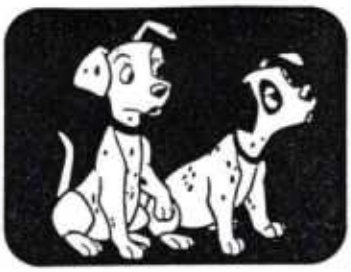
SECRETARY'S REPORT--CINDY LYFORD
Correspondence was received from Mary Miller, Marie Dennis and Carol Schubert. Cindy sent a letter to both the DCA & the AKC regarding the AKC'S proposal to allow deaf dogs to compete in obedience. She also received information from Sportsman's Insurance Co.

TREASURER'S REPORT--DEBBI JONES
Our new balance is $1163.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

NEWSLETTER--CINDY LYFORD
It was reported that 10 newsletters were mailed to interested Dal people. Cindy reported that the newsletter is costing about $25. per month and asked if our May raffle could be donated to DOT to DOT. Approved.

EDUCATION--DEBBIE GODDARD
Debbie reported that the DCSDC information flyers are ready. Samples were passed out.



MATCH SHOW--DEBBIE GODDARD
The Board presented two show sites for the membership to vote on: McGee Park in Carlsbad and the Humane Society in Escondido. The Escondido site was chosen. A motion was made to get our insurance from Sportsman's Ins. Co. Passed.

Five judges were nominated: Gene Mills, Bob Candland, Cathie Spencer, Stephen Cabral and Blanche Leahy. Cathie Spencer was selected. Debbie will contact to see if she is available.

Joyce Uber will coordinate our hospitality. We still need stewards and a trophy chairperson. Flyers will be passed out at the So. Cal. Specialty.

MEMBERSHIP--CINDY LYFORD
Applications were passed out to the Charter members. The following application was read and voted on: Michelle Smith. Passed.

OLD BUSINESS
Chuck Davis made a motion to add the No. Cal. club to our list of trophy donations. Motion passed and accepted.

Our next meeting will be held following the Dal judging at Cabrillo on May 22nd. We will have a raffle and a hospitality table.

Following brags the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Lyford

Cindy Lyford, Secretary



*** BRAGS ***

CH BG & HANSOM ALL FIRED UP owner: Ed & Carol Petit	Silver Bay KC 2/27/93 DCGP 3/5/93	BOB,GR2 1ST SD
ECHO'S PURRFECT ALIBI OF RASHAR owner: Cindy Lyford breeder: Sharon & Randy Thomsen	Coso Dog Fanciers 4/24/93	WB,BOW 1pt.
HILL-N-DAL'S TANGO SAGE DENLE owner: John Tigner & Dale Breunig breeder: Jan Hill	Sun Maid KC 4/3/93 Sacramento KC 4/18/93	WB,BOS 3pts. WB 3pts.
BRIARFIELD N HILL-N-DAL'S CHARISMA "Rita" owner: Jan Hill & Evelyn Cabral Breeder: Evelyn Cabral	Kern County KC 4/4/93 Santa Cruz KC 4/11/93	WB,BOW BOS, 2pts WB,BOS 3pts.
HILL-N-DAL'S FEATHER RIVER BELLE owner: Jan Hill & Beth Johnson breeder: Jan Hill	Sacramento KC 4/18/93	RWB
HILL-N-DAL'S SILVER SPIRIT owner: Jan Hill & John Tigner breeder: Jan Hill	Clovis N.M. KC 4/17/93 Greater Sierra Vista KC 5/9/93	WD 1pt. WD,BOW 2pts
CH HILL -N-DAL'S RUDE AWAKENING owner: Nancy Dandrea & Jan Hill breeder: Jan Hill	Black Mtn. KC 4/10/93 Silver State KC 4/11/93 Coso Dog Fanciers 4/25/93	BOB BOS BOS
LIEUTENANT SNOWY BROCK CREEK owner: Michelle Smith	South Bay KC 3/14/93	BOW,BOS 1pt

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We are deeply saddened to learn that on March 23rd the home of George and Sharon Roy, Firecreek Dalmatians, was destroyed by fire. Tragically the Roy's lost six adult Dalmatians and a litter of four week old puppies. All of us mourn their painful loss. Nothing can relieve their pain, but a card of note to George and Sharon might give some comfort in knowing others care. Mail to:

George & Sharon Roy
Centre Road
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Nancy Reiter has established an account for friends to contribute. Checks should be made payable to:

Friends of Roy Family
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And sent to:

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(Reprinted from On The Spot, a publication of The Greater Washington Dalmatian Club, April, 1993.)

Heartworm Disease: A Deadly Threat to your Dog

It's that time...



The life cycle of the heartworm begins when an infected dog, carrying tiny immature heartworms (microfilariae) circulating in its blood, is bitten by a mosquito. The mosquito takes in microfilariae (larvae) when it feeds.



During the next two-three weeks, the larvae develop within the mosquito into the infective stage.



When the mosquito feeds again, it can transmit infective larvae to the healthy dog. The larvae penetrate the dog's skin and migrate through the tissues and develop over the next few months, eventually reaching the dog's heart.



Once in the dog's heart, the worms can grow to as long as 14 inches and cause significant damage to the heart, lungs and other vital organs. If left untreated, heartworm disease can result in death.

. . . of the season

Reprinted from Dalmatian Sensation, a newsletter of the Dalmatian Club of Greater St. Louis, March 1993.

BULLETIN for DCA Regional Clubs /

From: Study Group on Urinary Stones /
Research Committee / Dalmatian Club of America

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For Immediate Release (April 1993)

Ingredient Change in Anti-Stone-Forming Hill's Prescription Diet® u/d®

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Hills recently announced to the veterinary community that the formulation of canned u/d® was changed, replacing the previous milk (casein) portion with chicken...plus (what we found a bit alarming) purine-containing liver. Accordingly, we embarked on and have just concluded months of very helpful and cooperative correspondence with Randall LaFevre, DVM, Hill's Marketing Manager for prescription foods and with Timothy Allen, DVM of their research veterinary staff. Both of these veterinarians knowledgeably reassure us that the quantity of liver in the reformulated canned u/d® is ***"...approximately 2 percent"*** and ***"...is small. In essence, this is a 'liver -flavored' diet."***

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DCA Study Groups include: Allergies, Hearing, IgA & Immune Disorders, Musculo-skeletal Disorders & Dysplasia, Seizures, Thyroid Disorders, and Urinary Stones.

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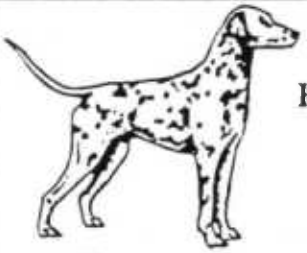
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SEPTEMBER MEETING NOTICE

PLEASE NOTE DATE AND LOCATION CHANGE

Our September general meeting will be held on Saturday, September 25th at the home of Boyd and Debbie Goddard. Debbie has asked that all members plan to arrive by 6p.m. Our program will be a tape on color in the Dalmatian provided by Jan Hill. Further information and directions to the Goddard's will be in the September DOT to DOT.

BOARD MEETING

There will be a board meeting on Tuesday, July 27th at 7:30p.m. at Carol Petit's house. Please call Carol (741-5012) as soon as possible to confirm your attendance.

OCTOBER MEETING NOTICE

PLEASE NOTE DATE CHANGE

In order not to conflict with the Las Vegas Specialty we have moved our Dog Daze Fun Day at Nan's to Sunday, October 24th. More information will appear in a future newsletter.

DCA NATIONAL

AUGUST 30th--SEPTEMBER 3rd

It looks like DCSDC will have a fairly large contingent attending the National this year. Best of luck to all exhibitors! Let's bring home the gold (or I should say Armetale)!

The deadline for the September newsletter is August 21st.

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We were saddened to learn of the passing of Dr. John Garvin. Our condolences go out to Betty and the rest of the Garvin clan. John, sneaking up on us with his camera, will be missed at the National this summer.



GENERAL MEETING MINUTES--JUNE 12, 1993

The June meeting of DCSDC was held following the judging of our first independent fun match on Saturday, June 12, 1993. Vice President, Debbie Goddard opened the meeting at 1p.m.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as they appeared in DOT to DOT.

SECRETARY'S REPORT--CINDY LYFORD
No correspondence received.

TREASURER'S REPORT--DEBBI JONES
No report given.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

MEMBERSHIP--CINDY LYFORD
We have two new members since our last meeting and there are four outstanding applications. Cindy also passed around a sample letter welcoming new members and asked for approval. A motion was made and seconded to send the letter along with a copy of our Constitution & By-Laws to new members. Motion passed.

EDUCATION--DEBBIE GODDARD
Debbie brought the DCSDC Dal brochures to the match & passed them out.

MATCH SHOW--LISA MEANS
Lisa thanked everybody for turning out and making it a great day.

OLD BUSINESS
Sharon Thomsen reported that we are now incorporated.

NEW BUSINESS
A discussion ensued about putting on a second match this year. It was decided to incorporate a match with our Dog Daze in October. Two judges were mentioned as possibilities: Thelma Brown & Gene Mills. We also discussed holding a match in the spring.

Debbi was reminded to send a trophy donation to DCNC.

Following brags, the meeting was adjourned.
Respectfully submitted, Cindy Lyford, Secretary Cindy Lyford



HANSOM HIGH DIMENSION owner/breeder: Carol & Ed Petit	DCSC Specialty 5/15/93	Best Sr. in Sweeps, Best in Sweeps
CH. HILL-N-DAL'S RUDE AWAKENING owner: Nancy Dandrea & Jan Hill breeder: Jan Hill	Rio Hondo KC 5/16/93	BOB (entry 95)
BRIARFIELD N HILL-N-DAL'S CHARISMA owner: Jan Hill & Eveyln Cabral	Cabrillo KC Del Sur KC	WB,BOS 1pt RWB
HILL-N-DAL'S M'LADY MERCEDES owner: Jan Hill & Debbi Jones	Rio Hondo KC Pasedena Beverly Hills KC	RWB WB 2pts RWB
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LIEUTENANT SNOWY BROCK CREEK owner: Michele Smith	Rio Hondo KC Del Sur KC	RWD WD,BOB 1pt
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For those of you who would like to advertise your dog(s) with a picture ad in DOT to DOT, you must send a camera ready picture. The rates are: full page--$10. half page--$6. Please type or print VERY clearly any copy you want included.

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JAN's FAX SERVICE.....561-7382

For that last minute entry!

Has anybody seen Carol Mac in her new Dal pj's yet or is she saving them for Kentucky? The first person who sends me a photo of Carol in her new "attire" gets one free ad in DOT to DOT!

Ed.

FUN MATCH

4 - 6 month Puppy Bitch	1. Hill-N-Dal's Noel Brock Creek Tom & Michele Smith 2. Casey Debbie Goddard
12 - 18 month Dogs	1. RaShar's Roustabout Sharon & Randy Thomsen 2. BG Sport Leicht Chuck Davis
Open Dog	1. Boneapetit' s Paisley P.J.'s Carol McAndrew
Open Bitch	1. Echo's Purrfect Alibi of RaShar Cindy Lyford
Best Jr. in Match	Hill-N-Dal's Noel Brock Creek
Best Sr. in Match	Boneapetit's Paisley P.J.'s
Best Opp. Sex Sr.	Echo's Purrfect Alibi of RaShar
Obedience	
Sub-Novice	1. Ch. Labyrinth High Barbareei Nan Phipps 2 Flame Debbie Goddard 3. Ch. RaShar's Inspector Clouseau Randy & Sharon Thomsen 4. Gentleman Jim of Hill-N-Dal Debbi Jones
For Exhibition Only	Ch. Daisydot Dorian of Dalwood,CD Lisa Means



Our fun match chairperson, Lisa Means asked that the following be printed in DOT to DOT:

> Our first independent fun match was a great success. Conformation judge, Cathie Spencer was wonderful with our puppies and Cindy Lyford had a whopping five entries in Obedience (that's more than a lot of specialties, mind you!). Everything from the grounds to the raffle and food went extremely well. Thank you's to all of you who came and especially to Jan Hill, Cindy Lyford, Randy & Sharon Thomsen and Joyce Uber for making this all happen. A big bouquet of wags to my partner in crime, Debbie Goddard for the tremendous amount of effort she put in--thanks! Hope to see you all in October when we do this again at Dog Daze.

Thanks, Lisa, for all your work on the match--great job! Ed.

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Fire safety dog wins top award for teaching kids

By Mike Fitzgibbon
Staff Writer

A dalmatian that wasn't exactly an exceptional pup in obedience training is now making children sit up and pay attention to fire safety rules.

"Lieutenant," a 4-year-old dalmatian owned by Tom and Michele Smith, was awarded the "Outstanding Teaching Animal of 1992" Friday by the state veterinarians association on Friday. He was nominated for the award by Brawley veterinarian Joseph G. Clark.

"Lieut," his nickname, is the official mascot of the Naval Air Facility El Centro fire station. He has made eight presentations to groups of children around the base and at this year's Children's Fair in El Centro.

NAF El Centro Fire Inspector Larry MacArther, who puts on fire safety programs with Lieutenant, said the dog makes the difference.

"I remember how bored the kids were with just a guy in a white shirt who came and lectured. ... It's turned my educational program around 100 percent because now the kids retain it. The kids pay attention because their eyes are glued on that dog."

At MacArther's order, Lieutenant demonstrates "stop, drop and roll," an exercise to show children what to do if their clothes catch on fire.

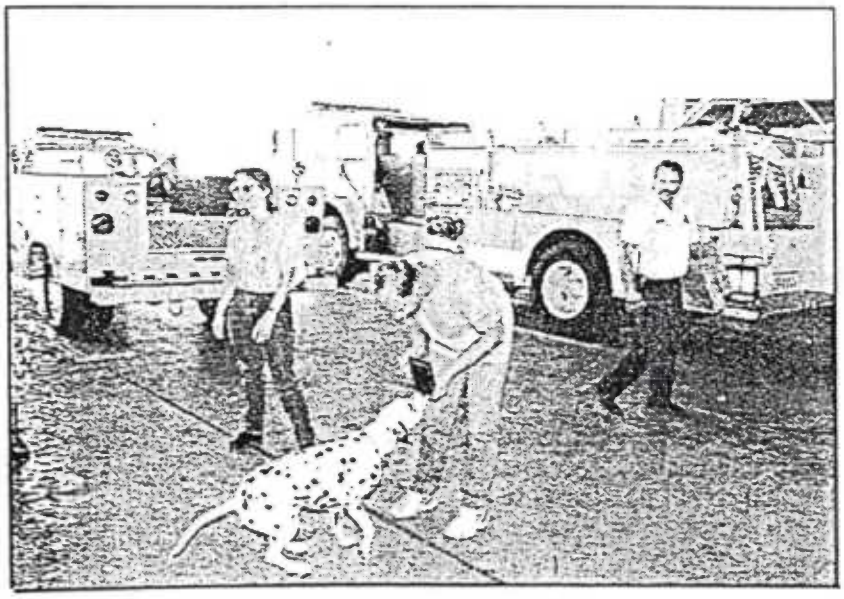
He also shows how to go low in a smoke-filled room to find breathable air and crawl to safety.

When MacArther tosses a shoe box with "matches" printed in big letters on it, Lieutenant bounds across the fire station floor to retrieve and drop the box at MacArther's feet. The lesson teaches matches should not be thrown around.

When Smith issues a command, Lieutenant barked three times. MacArther said, "If you don't speak dog that means '9-1-1,' " referring to the emergency telephone number used by many fire and police departments.

Smith said Lieutenant was a 1988 Christmas present and the first dog he ever trained.

An aviation electronics technician with the Medium Attack Weapons Detachment at NAF El Centro, Smith said when Lieutenant was 2 years old, he had to be trained because the dalmatian is an energetic breed that needs to learn control.



MIKE FITZGIBBON

"Lieutenant," a 4-year-old dalmatian owned by Tom and Michele Smith, is the official mascot of the Naval Air Facility El Centro fire station.

Mascot

(Continued from Page 1)

Smith kept teaching Lieutenant new commands and now the dog itself is a teacher.

Once used by European royalty to escort coaches and clear the way of animals and people, dalmatians were adopted for the same use in the United States by fire departments with horse-drawn equipment.

The Smiths said Lieutenant is a tireless runner, accompanying them for miles on bicycle rides and for hours retrieving Frisbees.

Mrs. Smith, the manager of the base recreation center, has been presenting Lieutenant at dog shows to confirm him as a "champion" dalmatian breed. The Smiths said they also may have Lieutenant compete for obedience titles.

But there are even bigger plans for Lieutenant's future. The Smiths plan to breed Lieutenant with Samantha, a five-month-old dalmatian they recently acquired.

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CONGRATULATIONS TOM, MICHELE & LIEUT!!

Dalmatian Club Of America
LEXINGTON 1993

June 5, 1993

To Regional Dalmatian Clubs:

In just 12 short weeks, it will be National Speciality time in Lexington. I do hope you have made your reservations at the Holiday Inn or at the Kentucky Horse Park Campgrounds. I have enclosed an update from Mary Miller, Show Secretary, concerning the change in the show site location and other info.

R E M I N D E R R E M I N D E R R E M I N D E R R E M I N D E R
Advertising deadline is approaching, do not miss this opportunity to advertise that special Dal or that exciting new puppy, remember, catalogs are ordered by folks that can't come to the national in addition to the ones attending. D O N ' T M I S S O U T.

Margie Doane, Picnic Chairperson, stated that in an attempt to estimate how many will be eating hot dogs with us, $1.00 will be charged for the picnic dinner. You will be responsible for your own drinks, ice, chairs, blankets, sun screen, and bug protection for the "no see'ems". Tickets may be purchased from Karl Kalbach, Chief Cook and Bun Warmer, 981 Bailey Road, Woodstock, GA, 30188, or at the show site from Karl, Margie, Barb Kalbach, Mary Miller, John & Shirley Petty, until 12 noon on Monday, August 30th. The picnic will be held on Monday evening after the softball game. YOU MUST HAVE A TICKET TO EAT!!!!!

Also, don't forget about the campsite decorating contest, even if you are not camping come by and cast your vote for the people's choice, Pat Oblinger has agreed to select the Manager's choice, and there will be a winner for the most Creative and a prize for the camper hauling/driving their unit from the greatest distance.

For those of you who can't make the National this year, you can order your tee shirts from the Dalmatian Club of Greater Indianapolis, Inc., %Gale Passman, 3510 W. 151st St. Westfield, IN. 46074, check with Gale on sizes and price. And of course the MARKED catalogs for those of us that socialize instead of jotting down the winners, they are available through Pam Barrett, 3535 Milano, Lexington, KY 40517, the price is $10.00.

Everyone have a safe trip and SEE YOU IN LEXINGTON,

Shirley Petty
CVDC Regional Rep.
615/226-2534

cc: Peggy Rudder
Mary Miller
Max Bradley-Kemp

D.C.A. UPDATE - Mary Miller

CHANGE OF LOCATION - We are moving.... The new show location will still remain at the Kentucky Horse Park, but we are now holding the show at the Kentucky Horse Park "Campgrounds". We will be approximately one mile from the previous show site, so you will still be able to enjoy the beautiful Horse Park. We are changing sites to help us ease some of the traffic congestion. So if you have been contemplating on coming, we can now offer you some of that "quality time" with you and your dog by camping out under the stars and yet enjoy the specialty. Contact John or Shirley Petty for more details.

The show is progressing very well. To date there are 189 rooms reserved at the Holiday Inn - North as well as 41 campsites. There is still plenty of hotel rooms and campsites available, but they won't last long...

Booth space is still available - we certainly want to make this as easy as we can for those vendors coming to Kentucky. We can now offer eight foot tables for rent. The tables will be brought to the show site for your convenience, but payment will be expected from those renting on the first day. Please call me for details on the costs. Also, we will offer to those who do not want to set up at the show all week the last 2 days (Thursday/Friday) at $60.00 cost for a 15 foot set up. Space will be very limited for this two day offer, so please do not delay in confirming your reservation with Billie Kovacs. Remember any regional clubs selling items at the specialty will have to reserve a booth space site.

Remember those deadlines closings:

ADVERTISEMENT and BREEDER'S DIRECTORY - June 15th.

SHOW SITE, DCA AWARDS DINNER, CATALOGS BY MAIL, DOG FOOD ORDERS, BOOTH SPACE RENTAL and KY HORSE PARK PASSES - August 1st.

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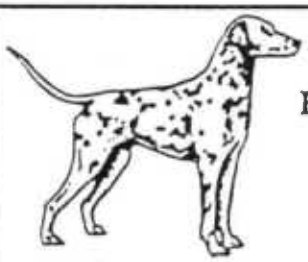
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MEETING NOTICE

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 1993

WHERE: BOYD & DEBBIE GODDARD'S HOME IN RANCHO SANTA FE

TIME: 6p.m. SHARP!

PROGRAM: A TAPE ON COLOR IN THE DALMATIAN

PLEASE BRING A DESSERT TO SHARE

BOARD MEMBERS: THERE WILL BE A BOARD MEETING AT 5;30p.m.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 24, 1993

Our second independent match show will be held at the KENNAN RIDING CENTER in Lakeside in conjunction with our THIRD ANNUAL DOG DAZE. Please see either Debbie G., Chair or Lisa M., Co-chair to volunteer for set-up, clean-up, stewards etc. More info in the Oct. newsletter.

NOVEMBER MEETING

Our November meeting will be held on Saturday, November 13th following the Dal judging at the Del Sur KC show at the Polo grounds.

PLEASE NOTE: The deadline for the October newsletter is October 1st.

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MOVING SPOTS

HANSOM DALMATIANS MOVING TO DALLAS!

The Petits have finally sold their Escondido home and Carol will be joining Ed in Dallas immediately following the National. Their daughter, Angie, will be enrolling in College there in January.

Both Carol and Ed are Charter Members of DCSDC and their expertise and enthusiasm will be missed!

Carol said that they will be at the Specialties and that they will definitely come to our first one.

Thanks Carol for a great job as President this year. Maybe Clinton should talk to you and follow your lead as DCSDC accomplished all the goals set forth for the year!!

Best of luck to both of you in Dallas. See you at the shows!

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Directions to Goddard's House
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COASTAL:
I-5 to Lomas Santa Fe Exit (go east)
Left on Highland $-way stop at top of hill
Left on El Camino Real at bottom of hill
El Camino Real makes a sharp right into La Orilla (before it separates to north).
Turn in first driveway on right (white fence, white house) after the previous sharp turn. (number on entry wall)

ESCONDIDO:
Del Dios Highway West onto Rancho Santa Fe
Right on La Granada (4-way stop in town)
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Right on La Orilla
Left into driveway near end of street



HILL-N-DAL'S M'LADY MERCEDES owner: JAN HILL & DEBBI JONES
PASEDENA KC BOW 2pts.
GOLDEN GATE KC 7/24 WB,BOW,BOS 3pts.
SAN MATEO KC 7/25 RWB
RICHMOND KC 8/8 BOW

HILL-N-DAL'S SILVER SPIRIT owner: JAN HILL
SAN MATEO KC 7/25 WD 4pts.
LOMPOC KC 7/31 RWD

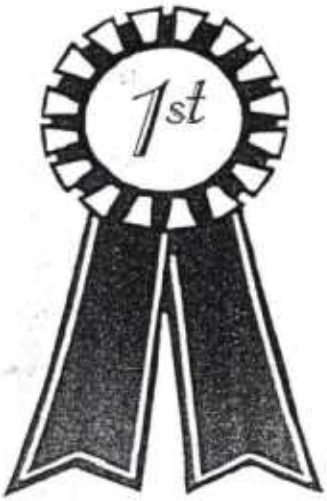
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SANTA BARBARA KC 8/2 RWB

BRIARFIELD N HILL-N-DAL CHARISMA owner: JAN HILL & E. CABRAL
OAKLAND KC 8/7 RWB
under breeder judge Tim Robbins

ECHO'S PURRFECT ALIBI OF RASHAR owner: CINDY LYFORD
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passed CANINE GOOD CITIZENSHIP TEST

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TRAINING FOR COMPETITION



Are you, the handler, losing unnecessary points in the obedience ring? Are you causing your dog to lag the moment the judge says "forward" by taking too large a "first" step? Is your dog working to your pace or are you working to his?

Not every dog and handler team has the potential for scoring a perfect "200", but why go into the ring and lose anywhere from seven to twelve points on unnecessary handler errors?

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STANDARD FOR THE OWNER-HANDLER

GENERAL CHARACTERISTICS: The ideal breeder/owner/handler is an energetic, farsighted creature, with the courage and perserverance of a hound and a natural antipathy for losing. He or she should appear neither clumsy nor awkward, as a certain amount of speed and agility is essential while doing his/her thing. Usually found in packs at shows.

HEAD: The width between the ears varies with the wins and losses. Surmounted by a topknot of long or short hair, either flat, wavy or rather curly; on occasion may be thinning at the top or completely bald, but the latter variety is rare. The male specimen is sometimes bearded.

NOSE: A pinkish tinge during the summer months should not penalize an otherwise first class specimen.

EARS: In proportion to the head. Ability to listen while in the company of elder and wiser breeders is greatly prized.

MOUTH: Large enough to put food and feet into. A slight roundness to the cheek may indicate the presence of liver.

BODY: Short-coupled variety: usually plump and well-padded in hindquarters, flabbiness to be penalized. Long-couples variety: lean and sinewy. Extra size being no disadvantage in either variety provided it does not interfere with freedom of movement.

SHOULDERS: Never drooping. Broad enough for slapping or crying on.

BACK: Muscular and strong; however, occasional stiffness due to leaning over large dogs or crouching behind small dogs is permissable.

CHEST: Plenty of room for large heart.

FOREARMS: Flexible and well-muscled due to strenuous exercise due to lifting crates, etc., putting up tents, carrying dogs and grooming.

HANDS: Attached to leads, brushes and spray bottles; may be colored from being wrung over losses an applauded over wins.

NAILS: A working specimen will have short nails of uneven length as if chewed. Neat polished nails shall be penalized by the extent of their length and neatness.

COLOR: Any color allowed; however, green, denoting envy or red, indicating seething rage, is a disqualifying fault.

TEMPERAMENT: Aloof and dignified, even elegant while working. A cheerful spirited and tractable disposition desired when in the company of the pack. Shyness among strangers is not considered a a fault; however, anger leading to nasty comments about fellow exhibitors or judges is a disqualifying fault.

BULLETIN FOR DCA REGIONAL CLUBS

From: Study Group on Urinary Stones
Research Committee of the Dalmatian Club of America, Inc.

For more information, contact:

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Sunrise FL 33322
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For Immediate Release (July 1993)

Ten-Year Analysis of 275 Stone-Forming Dalmatians Published in National Veterinary Journal

All veterinarians treating Dalmatians (stone-formers or not) should be aware of a most impressive published compilation of Dalmatian statistics covering ten years and from 275 Dalmatians. The article appears in the current July 1st, 1993 issue of the ***Journal of the American Veterinary Medicine Association***, volume 203, issue no. 1, pages 96-100.

Entitled ***"Urolithiasis in Dalmatians: 275 Cases (1981-1990),"*** the outstanding article and extensive statistics were prepared by staff of the Urinary Stone Analysis Laboratory (USAL) and of the Depts. of Medicine, Epidemiology and Preventative Medicine of the School of Veterinary Medicine, University of California, Davis. Veterinarians wishing reprints should contact Gerald V. Ling, DVM (Professor of Medicine, and Head of the USAL) in the Dept. of Medicine at the School of Veterinary Medicine, Davis, CA 95616.

The article notes that ***prevention*** of urinary stones in stone-forming Dalmatians known to be creating urates includes: **1)** diets low in purines, **2)** adequate water intake, **3)** alkalinizing the urine of urate-forming Dals, **4)** control of coexisting urinary infections and **5)** daily treatment with allopurinol. Of 19 stones from Dalmatians known to have been treated with allopurinol, ***"One hundred percent...were found to contain xanthine or other compounds related to...allopurinol [treatment]."*** This supports Dr. Ling's 1991 published report (and the subject of a previous Study Group bulletin) that ***overdosage*** with allopurinol can result in the formation of xanthine, a mineral which can be removed only by surgery and not by diet or other non-surgical methods. The 1991 article emphasized that each stone-forming Dalmatian should be evaluated separately to individualize their optimum dosage of allopurinol (so that they need not be denied the anti-urate benefit of the drug).

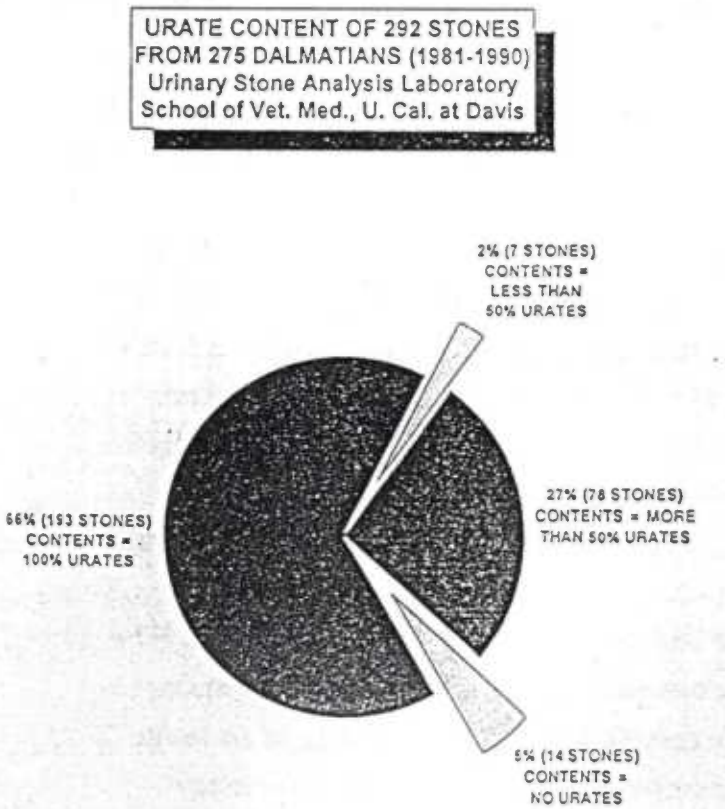
Detailed statistics are reported for 14 bitches and 261 dogs. The article acknowledges ***"The most widely proposed explanation for the apparent preponderance of urate calculi in males is...[because]...they easily pass through the distensible female urethra, but they tend to lodge in the male urethra as it enters the narrow groove in the os penis."*** If female vs. male urinary anatomy was the primary explanation, however, the article suggests, ***"...a preponderance of urate***

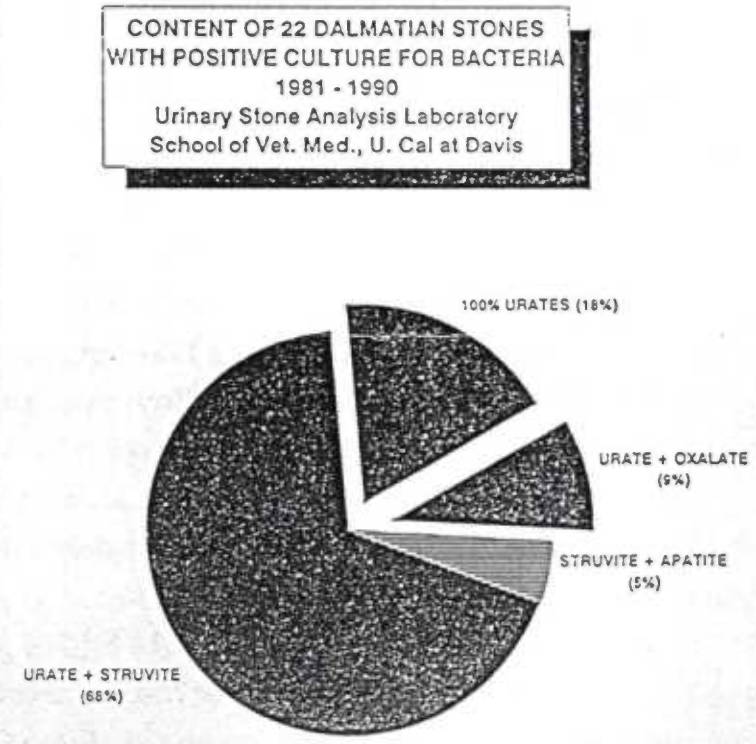
calculi [should be found] in males of all breeds...We found female non-Dalmatians to be twice as likely as male non-Dalmatians to form [urate stones], suggesting there may be as yet undiscovered factors that predispose male Dalmatians to the formation of [urate stones]."

Of the 292 stones reported in the article, 97 percent were from the lower urinary system (bladder, urethra) and only 3 percent from the upper urinary system. The authors caution that the prevalence of stones in the kidneys ***"...may be higher than realized..."*** because stone statistics are from those removed by surgery and not by autopsy. Standard x-ray procedures, too, make the detection of stones in the kidneys difficult because urate stones generally require special x-ray techniques to be visualized.

This Bulletin is merely the "tip of the iceberg" in terms of the spectrum of information derived from this splendid article.

(- end, July 1993 bulletin -)





SAN DIEGO COUNTY CANINE BLOOD BANK

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The San Diego County Canine Blood Bank was established in 1985. It is a nonprofit endeavor and is supported by the Animal Care Foundation and The Emergency Animal Clinic of San Diego. It's purpose is to provide the veterinary community with a reliable source of canine blood.

One of the most important medical therapies is blood. We are familiar with the need for human blood and regularly hear through the news media of local blood drives. Many of us are regular donors.

Blood is as important to animals as it is to humans. In the event of automobile accidents, major surgery, certain cases of anemia and other types of serious illness or injury to dogs, veterinarians must be assured of a readily accessible source of whole blood, plasma and packed cells. The Canine Blood Bank makes these available to all vets 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

To accomplish this, the CBB needs to have an established group of regular donors. These donors must meet several requirements. They need to be between 2 and 8 years of age, weigh at least 50lbs. and, because the donor has to sit very still for 10-15 minutes while blood is being taken, they should have a gentle, calm disposition.

If a dog meets these basic requirements, and the owner agrees to allow his/her pet to donate at least four times in a year, then a medical examination is performed. The dog undergoes a physical exam performed by a blood bank coordinator and some blood is drawn for an initial heartworm antibody test and blood typing. If the blood type is right (A-), a blood chemistry panel and brucellosis test will be run. In some instances, depending on the breed and the clinical history, the dog will be tested for Von Willebrand disease, Lyme disease and Coccidiomycosis. At each donation, a routine exam is done and a mini blood test performed. If at any time an abnormality is found, your pet will be referred back to the care of your regular veterinarian. All CBB records pertaining to your dog are available to your vet.

Each donor that is accepted into the program will receive a bright red reflective tag identifying them as a BLOOD DONOR and inscribed with the Emergency Animal Clinic telephone number. You will receive a Tee shirt designating you as the owner of a K-9 Blood Donor. The donor will be eligible to receive blood, free of charge, on a one for one basis (one unit for every one donated) while active in the program. Donors who have given at least eight or more units are gifted with free blood for the duration of their lives.

Donating usually takes twenty to thirty minutes, although the initial visit may take a bit longer. The pets that receive blood, their families and their vets will be grateful for your decision to share the gift of life.

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Special Report

Canine hip dysplasia: medical and surgical therapies that help

Selective breeding, the basis of prevention, is still the best of all treatments for canine hip dysplasia. Since 1966 the Orthopedic Foundation for Animals has collected and disseminated information on hip dysplasia and other orthopedic conditions, and it now has a Hip Dysplasia Registry operating for all breeds. Every year more than 12,000 X-rays are reviewed and classified. This permits breeders and veterinarians to keep close watch on rising or declining incidences of the disease in a wide variety of breeds. (The table on page 5 is the latest record of the order of frequency of hip dysplasia.)

The efforts to improve breeding have been successful in many breeds throughout the United States and Europe. However Dr. Corley, Director of the Foundation, says it is unrealistic to expect total elimination of the disease in all breeds for a number of reasons: The genes that determine expression of the disease are widely distributed in many breeds, as a glance at the table of incidence proves. Most important, there is no control over the breeding of dogs, and many breeders do not know or are not fully informed on how to reduce the occurrence of hip dysplasia.

Conservative medical management

While there is no cure, no "magic bullet" for managing hip dysplasia, there is conservative medical therapy that will benefit most affected dogs. Mild exercise like walking or swimming can be helpful, although strenuous exercise must be avoided. As with human arthritis, the joint pain associated with dysplasia is usually treated with buffered aspirin. Again as in human arthritic pain reduction, prevention of obesity is usually recommended. There is no proof for a direct causal relationship between excess weight and arthritis either in humans or in dogs, but it seems logical that reducing weight on a damaged joint would be beneficial. Some experts also suggest keeping an arthritic dog in a warm environment or using some form of heat therapy.

One of the most baffling aspects of hip dysplasia and its accompanying arthritis is the apparent ebb and flow of signs of pain. But as Dr. Spencer A. Johnston of Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University notes, resolution of pain, often seen as a spontaneous remission from the ninth to the eleventh month, may be related to the occurrence and healing of microfractures in the acetabulum (the socket of the hip). Restricting exercise when the microfractures are present may help prevent worsening of the arthritic condition.

Nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drugs are also used in medical management, but this therapy does nothing to prevent the progression of osteoarthritis. Adverse side effects ranging from simple gastric upset to gastrointestinal ulceration are possible but infrequent. Corticosteroids are usually considered the last resort when other drug therapy fails. These drugs must be used with great caution, because adverse effects are associated with long-term use.

The Orthopedic Foundation for Animals recommends the following breeding protocols to control canine hip dysplasia:

- Breed only normal dogs to normal dogs.
- Normal dogs should come from normal parents and grandparents.
- Normal dogs should have greater than 75 percent normal siblings.
- Choose a normal sire who has a record of producing normal progeny.
- Choose replacement bitches with better hip joint conformation than their parents.

A promising new drug therapy

Outside of the conservative medical and drug therapies and surgery, there has been no medical treatment that could lessen or reverse the progression of canine hip dysplasia. However, a series of experiments conducted by Dr. George Lust and colleagues at the Cornell James A. Baker Institute for Animal Health may radically change that assessment.

In the experiments, two litters of dogs were given injections of the drug glycosaminoglycan polysulfates (Adequan, Luitpold Pharmaceuticals Inc., Shirley, New York). This drug was selected for the experiment because previous studies showed that it lessened the changes caused by osteoarthritis in stifles of dogs and rabbits. Dr. Lust and his colleagues reasoned that since dogs with hip dysplasia invariably have osteoarthritis in hip joints, treating growing dogs that are susceptible to dysplasia with glycosaminoglycan polysulfates would diminish development of hip tissue abnormalities that are part of hip dysplasia.

The conclusion of the experiment indicated that early treatment with the drug did in fact reduce signs of

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early hip dysplasia. The drug was administered when dogs were between the ages of six weeks and eight months, the growth period in dogs and also the period when hip dysplasia begins to develop in susceptible dogs. The experiment did not predict whether or not the beneficial effect would persist after eight months, however. All the dogs in the study were given extensive radiographic examinations, and these examinations indicated that the drug treatment resulted not only in improved conformity in the joint but also other major changes in tissues, all of which indicated that the destructive progress of the disease had been halted. Although glycosaminoglycan polysulfates therapy did work in these experiments, Dr. Lust says that the exact process by which the drug works is not yet fully understood. It is possible that the drug has a beneficial effect on muscle tissues or on the development of bone or both. The drug is

Rank order of frequency of hip dysplasia in breeds of dogs with over 100 evaluations*

Breed	Evaluations	Percentage dysplastic	Breed	Evaluations	Percentage dysplastic
St. Bernard	1129	48.1	Great Dane	3824	13.7
Boykin Spaniel	378	47.6	Alaskan Malamute	6824	13.2
Bullmastiff	926	31.2	Samoyed	8046	12.9
Newfoundland	4795	30.5	Tibetan Mastiff	140	12.8
Staffordshire Terrier	360	29.7	Puli	951	12.3
Bloodhound	1088	28.4	American Water Spaniel	135	11.9
Field Spaniel	119	27.7	Weimaraner	3364	11.4
Bernese Mountain Dog	2491	25.5	Great Pyrenees	2071	10.6
Kuvasz	603	25.2	Cavalier King Charles Spaniel	350	10.6
Chesapeake Bay Retriever	4180	24.4	Standard Schnauzer	1593	10.5
Welsh Springer Spaniel	401	24.1	Kerry Blue Terrier	337	9.8
Golden Retriever	44025	23.5	Rhodesian Ridgeback	2823	9.8
Norwegian Elkhound	1906	23.5	German Wirehaired Pointer	1134	9.8
Mastiff	1291	23.4	English Pointer	275	9.7
Rottweiler	37497	23.3	Vizsla	3276	9.4
Gordon Setter	2645	23.1	Bearded Collie	1367	9.1
Chow Chow	2447	22.8	Nova Scotia Ducktolling Retriever	115	8.7
Giant Schnauzer	1945	22.6			
English Setter	3459	22.3	Lhasa Apso	480	8.5
Old English Sheepdog	6963	22.2	Cocker Spaniel	2570	8.4
German Shepherd	32163	21.9	Wirehaired Pointing Griffon	373	8.2
Portuguese Water Dog	789	21.8	Keeshond	1652	8.1
Welsh Corgi Pembroke	1588	20.1	Bichon Frise	468	8.1
Bouvier Des Flandres	2663	19.6	Tibetan Terrier	962	7.9
Briard	593	19.2	Australian Shepherd	5686	7.9
Black & Tan Coonhound	267	19.1	Doberman Pinscher	4865	7.6
Brittany	5809	19.1	German Shorthaired Pointer	3415	7.1
Irish Water Spaniel	355	18.9	English Cocker Spaniel	2039	7.0
English Springer Spaniel	4145	18.6	Dalmatian	1036	6.3
Shiba Inu	109	18.3	Irish Wolfhound	573	6.0
Curly Coated Retriever	324	17.9	Afghan Hound	3728	5.7
Shih Tzu	147	17.7	Shetland Sheepdog	881	5.6
Akita	6322	17.5	Belgian Malinois	250	5.6
Shar Pei	3908	17.5	Soft Coated Wheaten Terrier	1899	5.5
Anatolian Shepherd	247	17.4	• Belgian Tervuren	1547	5.0
Welsh Corgi Cardigan	115	17.4	Flat Coated Retriever	1199	5.0
Australian Cattle Dog	414	16.2	Border Terrier	264	4.9
Poodle	5273	16.0	Finnish Spitz	105	3.9
Boxer	661	15.7	• Collie	826	3.7
Airedale Terrier	1568	15.2	• Belgian Sheepdog	1278	2.9
Labrador Retriever	44009	14.6	Saluki	151	2.7
• Border Collie	837	14.6	Siberian Husky	8194	2.5
Komondor	502	14.4	Canaan	130	2.4
Irish Setter	5849	14.2	Borzoi	434	1.8

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thought to exercise a protective effect on cartilage, one basis for its continuing use in horses.

As promising as these results are, Dr. Lust and his colleagues remind dog owners that drug therapy alone cannot be the only approach toward alleviating or reversing the effects of hip dysplasia. Other studies have already found that limiting food intake in growing dogs is an effective protective method. Signs of hip dysplasia abated and/or were reduced at six months of age when Labrador Retriever pups were fed 25 percent less food than dogs whose diet was not so restricted.

Therefore, as the Baker Institute study concludes, there are now two methods—glycosaminoglycan polysulfates treatment and limited food consumption—that can help reduce the signs of developing hip dysplasia in dogs. Further studies that attempt to explain how this therapy works may even help answer the ultimate puzzle: what causes hip dysplasia.

Available surgical procedures

Several surgical procedures are now being used to relieve pain and permit a dysplastic dog to enjoy a better quality of life. One procedure, pectineus tendon surgery, is designed to release tension on the hip joint capsule and provide better contact in the joint. Other operations involve creation of a false head for a destroyed or damaged femoral head. This procedure can restore joint mobility. Finally, total replacement of the femoral head and the acetabulum, as in human hip replacement, has been successful in restoring dogs to activity. At Ohio State University, for instance, surgeons have done over 1,700 hip replacements with a success rate of 95 percent. Dr. Marvin Olmstead says that although most dogs have arthritic changes in both hips, replacement is performed on only one side in the majority of cases. The dogs simply shift their weight to the restored hip and relieve the pain on the unoperated side. Complications of the hip replacement operation are rare, and the only drawback at the moment appears to be the cost of the operation itself. Fortunately, as already noted, the experts agree that most dysplastic dogs can be treated with conservative medical management.

Researchers at the Baker Institute led by Dr. George Lust have as the goals of their current research the causes, diagnosis, and treatment of canine hip dysplasia. These goals include the determination of the underlying metabolic abnormality in affected dogs and the development of a procedure for predicting when the disease will occur. Another need is for a reliable test to identify the disease in adult dogs when abnormalities do not appear on radiographic examination. Most important, perhaps, is the need to develop more and better therapeutic procedures to arrest the disease. Until these goals are met, emphasis will continue to be placed on another goal: improving the methods for selecting breeding stock to increase the number of dysplasia-free offspring.





JC's Baked Beans

Ingredients:

- 1 lb. Hamburger
- 1/2 lb. bacon (finely chopped)
- (1) 15 oz. can kidney beans (drained and rinsed)
- (1) 15 oz. can Bar-B-Que'd beans
- (1) 15 oz. can: pork and beans
- (1) 15 oz. Dennison's lima beans and ham (skim fat from top)
- (1) cup brown sugar
- (1) cup ketchup
- (1) tbl sp. white vinegar
- (2) tsp. prepared mustard

Instructions:

1. Brown ground beef & bacon in large skillet & drain fat
2. Combine meat, bacon and beans in a large casserole or iron pot
3. In a separate bowl combine brown sugar, ketchup, mustard & vinegar
4. Pour over meat & bean mixture & stir to coat meat & beans
5. Refrigerate about 24 hours
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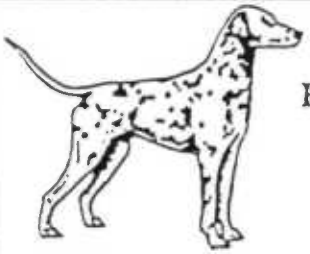
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MEETING NOTICE

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 24, 1993

OUR OCTOBER GENERAL MEETING WILL BE HELD AT THE HOME OF NAN & KEN PHIPPS IN CONJUNCTION WITH OUR MATCH SHOW AND THIRD ANNUAL DOG DAZE. PLEASE PLAN TO ATTEND AS IT PROMISES TO BE A FUN FILLED DAY! DIRECTIONS TO THE KENNAN RIDING CENTER IN LAKESIDE WILL BE FOUND INSIDE.

ENTRIES:	FROM 9:30am--10am
OBEDIENCE:	10am
CONFORMATION:	IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING OBEDIENCE
LUNCH BREAK:	APPROXIMATELY NOON
DOG DAZE:	STARTING ABOUT 1pm
GENERAL MEETING:	IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING DOG DAZE

OUR MATCH WILL BE ONE OF THE LAST ONES OF THE YEAR....SO BRING THOSE PUPPIES OUT AND LET THEM STRUT THEIR STUFF!! OBEDIENCE PEOPLE SHOULD PLAN TO GET THEIR DOGS OUT ALSO. CORRECTIONS WILL BE ALLOWED AS THIS MATCH IS NOT AKC SANCTIONED.



OUR THIRD ANNUAL DOG DAZE WILL FEATURE SOME NEW GAMES AND SOME OF THE OLD FAVORITES. PLEASE BRING A CHAIR FOR YOURSELF AND EITHER A CRATE OR X-PEN FOR YOUR DOG(S). ALSO, PLEASE BRING BAGGIES FOR CLEAN-UP. HAMBURGERS WILL BE PROVIDED. BRING YOUR OWN BEVERAGE AND <u>YOUR</u> FAVORITE SIDE DISH TO SHARE.

THE DEADLINE FOR THE <u>DECEMBER</u> NEWSLETTER IS NOVEMBER 21st.
PLEASE NOTE THAT <u>THIS</u> NEWSLETTER IS JOINT OCTOBER/NOVEMBER ONE.

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GENERAL MINUTES

The General meeting of DCSDC was held at the home of Boyd & Debbie Goddard on Saturday, September 25, 1993. President, Debbie Goddard opened the meeeting at 8:20p.m. following a great dinner. Debbie informed the members that Carol Petit had moved to Texas to join Ed. During the Board meeting, the Board members voted on Annelle Wilterding to fill the vacancy until our general elections in December.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as corrected.

SECRETARY'S REPORT--CINDY LYFORD
Cindy reported that we received a thank you note from the Las Vegas Dal Clul for our trophy donation.

TREASURER'S REPORT--DEBBI JONES
Debbi reported that there was a $9.88 error in previous minutes. One charge was listed twice. This has been corrected.
New Balance: $892.16 Disbursements: $5.--Secretary of State
25.-Las Vegas trophy donation

REGIONAL COUNCIL--CINDY LYFORD
Cindy explained about the DCA Lottery tickets and passed around a sign-up sheet. It was decided that one ticket would be a "club" ticket with each member putting in $1. If that ticket wins, the money will go to our treasury.

MATCH SHOW--DEBBIE GODDARD & LISA MEANS
Entries will be taken from 9:30 with the match starting at 10am. SHARP!
Conformation judge: Gene Mills Obedience judge: Cindy Lyford
trophies: Debbie G. & Lisa set up/clean up: Michele Smith
entries: Carol McAndrew Members were asked to bring raffle items.
Tom Smith & Lieut will put on a STOP,DROP & ROLL demonstration. Tom asked if we could get a group of kids together for the demonstration. Our annual Dog Daze will follow the match. Cindy & Nan will be calling members re: food.

EDUCATION--DEBBIE GODDARD

Debbie reported that we have not been running an ad these last few months. We will put one in the Union Tribune during the Holiday season.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

At the Board meeting a nominating committee was chosen with Cindy Lyford, Chair, Carol McAndrew and Nan Phipps. Mike Wagner & Nancy Dandrea as alternates. Carol McAndrew declined the position so Mike Wagner will take her place. The committee will meet in October. There are two three year positions and one two year position to be filled. The committee will report back to the membership at our November meeting and nomination will be taken from the floor at that time. Elections will be held at our December meeting. A motion was made and seconded concerning Board member attendance at Board meetings: **ALL BOARD MEMBERS MUST ATTEND ½ OF THE MEETINGS. IF A MEMBER MISSES THREE CONSECUTIVE MEETINGS, HE OR SHE WILL BE ASKED TO STEP DOWN.** PASSED.

MEMBERSHIP--CINDY LYFORD

Cindy passed out Charter membership forms and Member Info forms to those members who had not returned them earlier. She also passed out a survey sheet with questions regarding club direction, programs wanted etc.

NEW BUSINESS

Jan Hill will be our new breeder referral person in place of Carol Petit. Joyce Uber informed us that she has already paid a set up charge at Morgan's Monograms for a Dal head and any of us our welcome to make use of it. The set up charge is $125. Chuck asked about getting our logo done on a shirt. Joyce will check on the charge for that. Jan Hill & Kathy Martin will also check on set up charges at places that they do business with..

Elaine Davis told of a deaf Dal that was sold by a pet shop up in North County. It was decided that the most the Club could do was write to this pet store. Members should call Elaine for the name and address.

Debbi Jones & Mike Wagner gave us information on Microships for identificatio

Following brags, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Lyford

Cindy Lyford, Secretary

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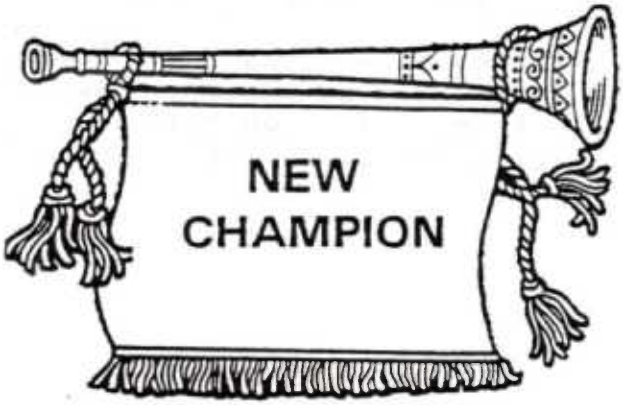
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THE TICKET IS $25. PLEASE MAKE YOUR CHECK PAYABLE TO DCNC. IF I DO NOT HAVE YOUR CHECK BY NOVEMBER 1st, THE TICKET WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE. MAIL CHECK TO CINDY OR BRING TO THE MATCH SHOW/DOG DAZE.

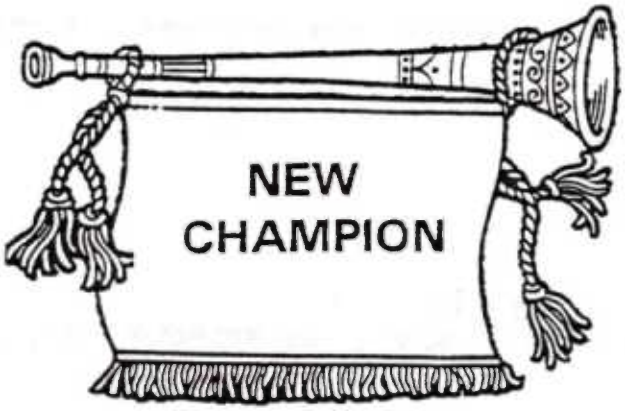


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AS YOU ALL KNOW BY NOW, MERCEDES FINISHED AT THE DCA NATIONAL BY GOING WB. PROFESSIONAL HANDLER & DCSDC MEMBER, MARTIN CABRAL, GUIDED HER TO THIS MOST PRESTIGIOUS WIN. JAN HANDLED HER THE NEXT DAY AND WALKED OFF WITH BEST OF WINNERS!



HANSOM MILE HIGH VISTA
OWNERS: CAROL & ED PETIT

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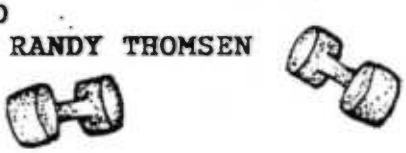
WAY TO GO CAROL & ED!



Congratulations!

ONE MORE BRAG...SORRY, IT WAS INADVERTENTLY LEFT OFF THE BRAG PAGE:

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OWNER: CINDY LYFORD
BREEDERS: SHARON & RANDY THOMSEN



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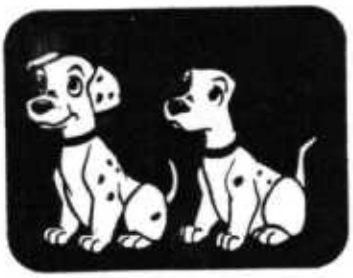
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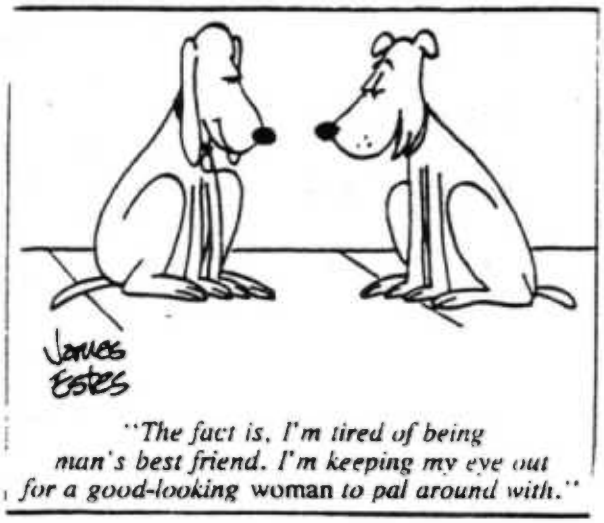
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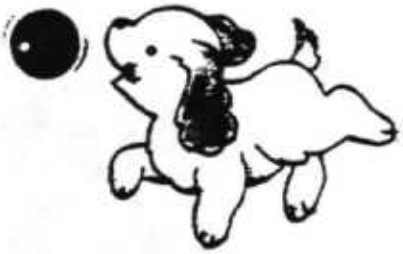
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VERY IMPORTANT - PLEASE READ

Although our club is not actively doing rescue work at this time, we are getting a number of calls for Dals that need homes. We are also getting calls from people who want Dals. Carol McAndrew knows of two 4yr. old Dals needing homes immediately. Please call her if you can help out or if you know somebody looking for an older dog. (749-5406)

Carol has volunteered to keep a list of people who are looking for a Dal. So, if you know of anyone, please either send or phone Carol with the information. We need a volunteer to keep a list of Dals looking for a home.

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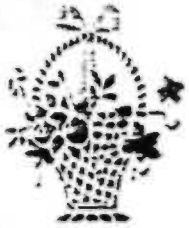
Our November meeting will be on Saturday, November 13th following the Dal judging at the Del Sur KC show. If you are not entered, please call Cindy (390-2770) one week prior to the show to find out the judging time.

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Our Christmas party/meeting will be on December 18th. Chuck & Elaine Davis will host. Directions and further information will be printed in the December newsletter.

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Carol McAndrew has volunteered for another job! She said she would be glad to head the Sunshine committee. If you know of anyone who needs a little sunshine in his/her life, please call Carol. (749-5406)

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Our sympathies go out to Bev Rutherford who recently lost her mom.

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HELP!! We need someone to man a video camera for our Match/Dog Daze day. If you will be attending and not working with a dog, please volunteer. We have the camera. Our First Annual Dog Daze was filmed and it was a blast to watch it. How else would we have known that Randy cheated during the umbrella race!?!

FAULT FINDERS

By Sue MacMillan

Reprinted from the Greater Twin Cities Dalmatian Club Newsletter, July, 1993

Routinely heard at ringside...
"How could that dog have won?"
"It has such (a) terrible.....!"

You fill in the blank. It could be spotting, tail, trim, ears, pasterns, feet, eye color, topline, or anything else that is being criticized. One thing quite readily apparent is that it's much easier to identify faults on someone else's dog! It's not unusual for the owner of one of the losing dogs (who may have terrible feet and poor markings) to go on and on about the "horrible" winning dog with the high tail and light eyes.

All dogs have faults. Yes, all of them. His, mine and YOURS. Good judges don't judge dogs by faulting them, but by weighing their strengths and weaknesses. A dog may have one or more obvious faults but if the judge feels that its OVERALL quality is superior to that of its competition it will win.

As breeders and exhibitors we have to decide which faults we can live with and which ones we absolutely will not tolerate in dogs we show or breed from. We must decide which features are really important to us and need to be emphasized in our breeding programs, and which faults we will work to correct. Since it can't all be done in one breeding, we must establish our priorities, while remembering that other breeders may have completely different priorities.

It's essential that dogs have virtues as well as a minimal number of faults. A dog that is "good enough" in all respects, but not particularly good in any way has little to offer the breed. We are not breeding for absence of faults so much as we are breeding for overall correctness and quality. Anyone can learn to recognize faults, but many people have trouble learning to recognize and appreciate virtues, especially in the competition! Newcomers especially, are quick to criticize a dog with an easily correctable fault, while failing to recognize that the dog may be exceptionally good in other areas.

Breeders often show and breed from dogs with obvious faults. As long as they remain aware of those faults and consider them when planning a breeding, there's no problem. The faults only become "problems" if the breeder does not recognize them as a fault or recognizes them only on other peoples' dogs. It's also essential to remember that a few nice wins don't make any dog a better dog. The dog still has exactly the same faults it had before it started winning!

Sometimes a breeder gets so used to looking at certain faults in his own dog(s) that he loses his perspective and sees them as being correct for the breed. That's when he stops trying to correct the faults in his breeding program and starts perpetuating them instead, because he is comfortable with the "look" created by those faults. Unfortunately, these misconceptions are often passed on to the people who buy his dogs. The new owners accept what they are told, never question their mentor, and don't think for themselves.

It's vitally important that all exhibitors (and especially all would-be breeders) take the time to learn the standard, understand the terms, study structure and movement, see and admire as many good dogs as possible, keep an open mind, learn to objectively evaluate their own dogs, and develop a mental picture of what the ideal Dalmatian should look like. The exhibitor who stops asking questions also stops learning, and the person who is able to recognize only the faults in other peoples' dogs will never be able to objectively evaluate his own dogs.

Health Spot

False Pregnancy

Reprinted from PETCARE/PETLINE via *Spots & Patches*, Newsletter of The Charleston Area Dalmatian Club, June, 1993.

We've all heard the jokes about being a "little bit pregnant." Pregnancy is not supposed to be a matter of degree. One is, or isn't, pregnant. The same should be true of your dog, shouldn't it?

Well, maybe not. Dogs can be falsely pregnant, and they can get that way at the oddest times (such as after they have been spayed!). A dog that's in false pregnancy looks and acts as if she's pregnant. This may even develop at the appropriate interval after breeding. She won't, however, give birth to false puppies

Pseudocyesis

The medical term for false pregnancy is pseudocyesis. The most common symptom is galactorrhea, meaning inappropriate lactation (milk production) not associated with pregnancy and birth.

Typically, your little poodle starts looking "different" about 4 to 8 weeks after her heat cycle. You notice she's gaining weight, and her mammary glands are definitely getting larger.

When we see her at the veterinary hospital, we notice immediately that her breasts are filled with milk. When we gently squeeze a nipple, several drops are easily expressed.

What Happened?

"But, she can't be pregnant, Doctor!" you cry. "She's never even seen a male dog."

"Well," we confidently reply, "since immaculate canine conceptions are very rare, it must be a false pregnancy."

In reality, the state of pseudocyesis is quite common in the bitch, and milk production is not unusual. The hormone prolactin is responsible for milk production and some of the other symptoms seen during pseudocyesis. Prolactin secretion is stimulated by withdrawal of the hormone progesterone. Levels of this hormone decrease at the end of the heat period of the dog as the ovaries become quiet for a while.

Other Times

False pregnancy may be somewhat expected after a normal heat period in the dog, but it is downright weird when it occurs after spaying. Just recently, we examined a dog whose owner thought was developing a cancer or infection of her breasts. He was also sure that it was caused by her spaying operation, 2 weeks before.

Actually, she was just showing engorged (filled) mammary glands, heavy with milk. (She was spayed just at the end of her heat cycle, which caused a rapid drop of progesterone and a rebound release of milk-producing prolactin!) We assured him that patience and time would resolve the crisis.

Thyroid Hormones

Hormone balances are complicated mechanisms. We like to blame any number of ailments and moods on our hormones, but one thing is for certain. If one hormone is out of whack, it will upset another.

Some bitches with persistent, long-lasting false pregnancy are hypothyroid. These dogs, with underactive thyroid glands, have excess levels of another, stimulating hormone called thyrotropin-releasing hormone (TRH). TRH also stimulates prolactin release, which, you remember, causes milk to form. Signs of false pregnancy that last beyond a few weeks should signal the need to do thyroid testing.

Other Signs

Dogs with false pregnancy show a range of confusing symptoms. Owners may not even recognize the nature of the problem.

Some show strong behavior changes: making nests, becoming restless, and "adopting" toys or items of clothing to nurse and "mother." Others merely become depressed and unhappy, lose appetite, or spend long hours hiding in dark places or sleeping. These behavior changes can be the most annoying part of the false pregnancy syndrome. (We humans aren't the only species that gets bothered and upset by our hormones after all!)

Treatment

Most cases of false pregnancy do not need to be treated. If breast enlargement is severe or painful, warm and cold compresses or packs can speed removal of extra fluid. Although hormone therapy may be effective, there are risks associated the use of these potent drugs.

Spaying your female between heat cycles is great way to prevent this upsetting ailment. Ask your veterinarian for advice.



Regional Club Council Report

August 30, 1993

– Mary Johnson

RCC Chairman, Jan Nelson, announced that Patti Strand, who was scheduled to speak on the animal rights movement, was not able to attend as she would be taping for a Larry King program. However, she sent a packet for each RCC representative to take back to the regional clubs.

Cathy Shorr, Show Chairman for next year's National in N. California, gave a presentation on fund raising ideas to involve the regional clubs in the DCA. The DCNC's goals are to create a mechanism that can be utilized by future hosting clubs to establish a fund to produce the DCA National Specialty; to generate funds to produce the DCA National Specialty beyond the hosting club; and to incite enthusiasm, involvement and participation at a local level to attend and feel a part of the DCA National Specialty event.

They hope to accomplish their goals by offering sponsorship/patron levels that allows all clubs to participate by selling raffle tickets, "Lotto" tickets, and by soliciting trophy donations. Regional clubs achieving Gold, Silver, or Bronze levels will receive acknowledgment in the DCA catalog, special recognition at the DCA banquet, and individual patron recognition for each regional club member who participates. The club generating the most funds in support of the DCA Specialty will receive a yet-to-be-determined recognition.

A Gold patron will sell at least 200 raffle tickets, 50 lottery tickets, donate as a club at least one first place class trophy, and solicit 10 individual trophy donations by regional club members. A Silver patron will sell half as many raffle and lottery tickets, donate as a club at least one first place class trophy, and solicit 5 individual trophy donations by regional club members. A Bronze patron will sell 50 raffle tickets, 10 lottery tickets, donate as a club at least one first place class trophy, and solicit 3 individual trophy donations by club members.

Lottery tickets were distributed at the general meeting, and are currently on sale. The drawing will be held February 5, 1994. Only 500 lottery tickets have been issued. The winner will receive 2 round trip tickets on United Airlines to San Francisco, 2 round trip kennel/baggage fees, and 5 nights at Show Headquarters at the Embassy Suites Hotel. Make checks payable to DCNC. Raffle tickets will be distributed in February-March. The committee would greatly appreciate donations for raffle prizes. The deadline for the first place regional club trophy donation is January 1, 1994, after which any unfilled classes will be available for individual donations. Individual trophy pledges are due by March 1, 1994.

Among other good fund raising ideas is the intention of the DCNC to get funding through having corporations sponsor a day.

Helen Siegel gave each RCC rep a copy of a booklet constructed by the Indianapolis club called "The Dalmatian" which is given to puppy buyers and people seeking information about the breed. Helen said that any club wishing to use the booklet has permission from the Indiana club to copy it.

Gerri Lightholder, DCA Breeder Referral Rep, reminded the RCC that if a regional club should change their club BRR, a letter on club letterhead must be sent to the AKC with a copy sent to the DCA Breeder Referral Representative.

When Jan Nelson asked for feedback on what we would like the RCC to be, it was suggested that the report she issues after each DCA Board meeting be copied and given to all club members as a means of getting as much information as possible to as many people as possible. Another RCC rep asked that a survey be made to ask the clubs how they handle having the club president exhibit at their specialty.

Judy Rivard, Public Education Chairman, said that every club should have a PE coordinator. She would like the name of each club's coordinator so that information between the clubs can be shared. She would like to put on a display of club activities at National Specialties, such as the "Hotline" booklet distributed by the Indiana club.

Chris Jackson, Rescue Chairman, asked that the regional clubs turn in her survey as soon as possible. Chris is very concerned about the great numbers of Dalmatians that are appearing in shelters all over the country, and she despairs of finding a solution to the problem of irresponsible breeders. One possibility she offered would be for the AKC to professionalize breeders. A breeder would have to demonstrate knowledge of the breed with a written test, have their facilities inspected, subscribe to a code of ethics, among other such requirements. She recommends that non-breeding stock be sold on spay/neuter contracts and the rest of the litter be sold on co-ownership to control indiscriminate breeding.

The meeting concluded with each regional club giving information about their up-coming regional specialty.

Highlights from DCA Annual Meeting

September 2, 1993

– Mary Johnson

During the president's report, Dr. Charles Garvin spoke about the deafness problem in the breed. He said that we need strengthened ethical guidelines, to educate the public, and to breed responsibly.

The AKC Delegate, Jim Smith, said that according to the AKC, 10% of dogs registered come from the breeding community, 10% come from commercial breeders, and 80% are produced by people who have only one litter.

The Education Chairman, Susan Brooksbanks, said that this year's program by Gail Fisher is on video tape and can be requested by contacting the chairman of the Lending Library, Cathy Nogar.

The Obedience Chairman, Prue Stuhr, said that in the future, the DCA will be able to offer TDX tracks at those specialties which offer the tracking event. Tracking certificates retroactive to 1990 will be awarded. Work is going forward on developing obedience guidelines.

Steering Committee Chairman, Peggy Rudder, announced that the 1996 National had been awarded to the Puget Sound club. Terry Wissinger will be show chairman. The closing date for submitting 1997 proposals is March, 1994.

1995 Show Chairman, John Benoit, announced that the event will take place starting August 5, 1995, with the Chicagoland club as hosts. Mrs. James Clark will judge bitches and intersex; Dr. Sid Remmele will judge dogs. At the Chicagoland specialty following DCA, Mrs. Eva Berg will judge bitches and intersex, with Peggy Haas judging dogs and Sue Schunaman judging Sweepstakes.

Sue MacMillan, chairman of the Book of the Dalmatian, said to continue sending pictures to Meg Hennessey. There is no cut-off date as yet. Please identify your pictures.

The Nominating Committee for this year will be Carol McAndrew, Forrest Johnson, and Jean Meader.

The Ethical Guidelines were reviewed by the Board at their meeting August 29, and some changes were made to the guidelines mailed previously to DCA members. Dr. Garvin read through the updated guidelines, including the changes, and then opened the floor for discussion. The majority of the membership present felt that time had not been allowed for their input, and the motion to support the revisions was tabled for further study. Members who wish to comment on the changes should contact any DCA Board member as soon as possible.

The next DCA Board meeting will be March 3, 1994.

The 1994 Show Chairman, Cathy Shorr, explained the fund raising ideas which had been presented to the RCC. Of the 500 printed tickets for the lottery, 410 had been pledged just from the RCC meeting.

Cathy said that no tracking will be offered in 1994, not because they don't support it, but rather because at that time of year in California, an obnoxious plant called "foxtails" prevents them from participating in tracking activities. The weed causes great pain to the dogs' noses and to the owners' pocketbook.

The 1994 National Specialty will occur over four days. Cathy said that because the heat during the day would compare to the heat in Lexington, they were giving serious thought to starting at 7:30 AM also, leaving time in the afternoon for exploring the fascinating San Francisco area. Judges for DCA will be Roy Ayers for dogs and intersex, and Dr. Charles Garvin for bitches. The obedience trial will be held over two days rather than one. The DCNC judges will be Mr. & Mrs. Bessoff from Australia; Tom Harris for Sweeps. The Embassy Suites Hotel in San Rafael will be show headquarters. All rooms are $99, and all suites hold up to 4 people per suite. Included in the price is a free breakfast and free cocktails served from 5-7 PM. A suite consists of a bedroom and a sitting room with a mini bar.

Ways & Means Chairman, Carol McAndrew, announced that there will be a Christmas raffle this year, offering a gold pendant which retails at about $300 or a Colonial firewagon in a primitive style. More information will be in the Fall SPOTTER or in a piggyback mailing. The winners will be called on Christmas Eve.



Halloween Cookies

Suzanne and I have been baking treats for our dogs (and others) for several years. You can really tell a devoted dog lover when a favorite ingredient in their cooking is pureed liver. We welcome our readers to send in favorite recipes so that other dogs can get relief from — yuck — plain kibble. The following recipe is reprinted from the October 1992 Dog Fancy as a suggestion for Howl-O-Ween treats for your dogs: Reprinted from Dog Daze-All Breed Obedience

Rover's Rewards



Ingredients

3/4 cup hot meat juices
1/3 cup margarine
1/2 cup powdered milk
1/2 tsp salt
2 tsps sugar
1 egg, beaten
3 cups whole-wheat flour

Directions

In a large bowl, pour meat juices over margarine. Stir in powdered milk, salt, sugar and egg. Add flour, 1/2 cup at a time, mixing well after each addition.

Preheat oven to 325 degrees.

Knead the mixture for three to four minutes, adding flour if necessary to make a very stiff dough. Pat or roll to 1/2-inch thickness, and cut out biscuits with a dog-biscuit-shaped cutter or any other cutter. Place on a greased backing sheet and bake for 50 minutes. Allow to cool and dry until hard.



NEW ADDITIONS



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OWNERS: KATHY MARTIN & CINDY LYFORD



Dalmatian Club of America, Inc.

From the Board of Governors, DCA
Subject: Dalmatian Deafness

With the rising popularity of the Dalmatian breed, there has been a rapid increase in the number of deaf Dalmatian pups showing up in homes, pet shops and Humane Societies across the country. THIS IS A VERY SERIOUS PROBLEM.

Deafness is NOT uncommon in Dalmatians. It has been estimated that from 10% to 12% of the breed is deaf. Recent discoveries in the genetics of deafness have made it possible to reduce the incidence of deafness, with the possibility of virtually eliminating it in the future. Hearing research is currently being financed by the Dalmatian Club of America, various regional Dalmatian clubs and interested individuals. However, for the time being, it is important that deaf pups be dealt with in a responsible and HUMANE fashion.

Responsible breeders NEVER knowingly sell, place or give away deaf pups to pet homes. Deaf pups should ALWAYS be humanely destroyed by a veterinarian. In the event that a deaf pup is inadvertently placed, it should be replaced with a hearing pup. Many breeders have their deaf pups put down at three to four weeks, though some choose to wait a few weeks longer. Dalmatian pups normally start to hear at fourteen to sixteen days of age, and hear by five weeks of age if they are going to hear.

The deaf pups which are showing up in unsuspecting homes, pet shops and Humane Societies are generally bred by either "commercial breeders" (puppy mills) or by inexperienced Dalmatian owners who are unaware of deafness in the breed, are unable to identify deaf pups or are unwilling to have them put down. NO ONE should consider raising a litter of Dalmatians without being prepared to deal responsibly with any resulting deaf puppies.

The Dalmatian Club of America Board of Governors feels very strongly that deaf pups should NEVER be sold, placed or given away, and most certainly should not be bred from. Deaf Dalmatians are hard to raise, difficult to control (they are often hit by cars when they "escape") and often become snappish or overly aggressive, especially when startled.

IF YOU ARE THE OWNER OF A FEMALE DALMATIAN, and plan to raise a litter, be sure that you are prepared to deal responsibly with any resulting deaf pups. If you have trouble identifying deaf pups, please ask for assistance from an experienced breeder. IF YOU ARE A STUD DOG OWNER, be sure that your stud contract requires that deaf pups be properly handled.

IF YOU ARE THE OWNER OF A DEAF DALMATIAN, and are having problems with the dog, don't feel "guilty" about it. Consider starting over with a healthy, hearing pup. (And DO have the deaf dog put down.)

IF YOU ARE AFFILIATED WITH AN ANIMAL SHELTER, HUMANE SOCIETY OR DOG RESCUE SERVICE, PLEASE do not attempt to place the deaf Dalmatian puppies and adults that come in, and do not advertise for a "special home" for the "poor little deaf Dalmatian." The HUMANE approach is to put down the deaf Dals and concentrate on finding good homes for the healthy, hearing dogs.

IF YOU ARE A PET SHOP OWNER, please remember that deaf Dalmatians should NEVER be sold.

IF YOU ARE PLANNING TO PURCHASE A DALMATIAN, contact the Dalmatian Club of America, the closest regional Dal club, or an experienced local breeder who will guarantee that any pups offered for sale have normal hearing.

IF YOU ARE A VETERINARIAN, please advise your clients to put down any deaf pups they may have bred. PLEASE do not make it any more difficult for your client by suggesting that perhaps a "special" home might be found. With the enormous surplus of unwanted dogs in this country, there is no need to preserve dogs with problems such as deafness.

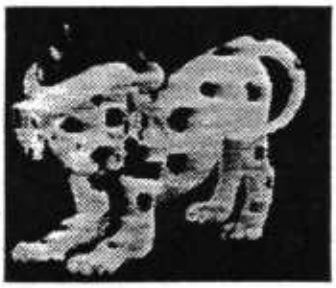
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Porcelain Sculptures Make Perfect Holiday Gifts for Dalmatian Fans

Does a Dalmatian that doesn't shed or need exercise sound good? If so, the perfect Dal for you may be a porcelain sculpture.

If you are looking for a decoration for the holidays, check out the *Christmas Dalmatian* from Princeton Gallery. This Dal is decked out in a red Santa hat and a red bow around his neck. It was originally produced for the 1992 holiday season but a limited supply is still available for $45 each.



Christmas Dalmatian

Princeton Gallery also offers a "Where's the Fire" sculpture as part of its *Playful Pups* collection. It features a two-piece sculpture of a Dal pup climbing out of his fireman's hat, and sells for $19.50. For more information on either sculpture, contact Princeton Gallery at 301 N. Harrison St., Princeton, NJ 08540, or call (800) 233-1922.

Lenox is offering the *Dalmatian Puppy*. The puppy is in the same ready-to-scamper pose as the *Christmas Dalmatian*. The sculpture is a Lenox exclusive and is not available in porcelain galleries or department stores that carry Lenox china. It sells for $75. For more information, contact Lenox Collections at One Lenox Center, P.O. Box 519, Langhorne, PA 19047-0519, or call (800) 233-0313.

Dal Plates a Hit With Collectors

If you're a Dal lover who collects plates, you're in luck. Danbury Mint is offering an eight-plate collection called *Fire Capers*, painted by Kansas City artist Marty Roper. Last fall, several Dal club members met at Sue McComb's house where Roper photographed our Dalmatians to get ideas for the plates. The plates are now available and sell for $26.95 each. For more information, contact Danbury Mint at 47 Richards Ave., Norwalk CT 06857, or call (800) 426-0373.

Princeton Gallery is offering an eight-plate series by artist Linda Picken, who has painted dogs for the cover of *Dalmatian Quarterly*. Her plate series is the *Darling Dalmatians*, which sell for $29.90 each. For more information, contact Princeton Gallery at 301 N. Harrison St., Princeton, NJ 08540, or call (800) 233-1922. Until Dec. 31, her paintings will also be available on a four-piece mug set.



"The Captain" from *Fire Capers*



"3 Alarm Fire" from *Darling Dalmatians*



OVERCOMING CAR (MOTORHOME) SICKNESS



Car sickness is a form of motion sickness that is caused by excessive, uneven, rhythmic motion in a car. Some doctors say this malady is caused by motion's effect on the labyrinths of the inner ear, buy many other factors can bring on motion sickness. In humans, car sickness can be caused by smells and odors, physical discomfort, unsanitary conditions, suggestion, and fear. Fear has a decided effect on the dog. Psychosomatic illnesses in dogs have been well documented in veterinary literature. In severe cases, merely putting a dog in a parked car will cause salivation. Car sickness cannot always be cured by humans. This may be true with some dogs; but we have never experienced it to be so.

The initial manifestation of car sickness in dogs is often an excessive amount of salivation. This is often-but not always-followed by retching and vomiting. The presence of food in the dog's stomach may increase the likelihood of car sickness. Even with only the discomfort of salivation, the dog's appearance would be sickly. He would neither be ready for the show ring nor a visit to Aunt Judy's.

Every ride for the dog should not end up with an inoculation at the veterinarian's office or tedious plucking at the grooming salon. These factors would certainly increase the incidence of psychosomatic car sickness.

The standard method for combatting motion sickness in humans is to give Dramamine before the onset of the symptoms. Dramamine will cause extreme drowsiness and is unsatisfactory as a cure for dogs. The show fancier cannot arrive ready to enter his dogs in the ring if they have been given this medication. It is equally unsatisfactory for the average dog owner who wants to make his dog a true part of the family and take him along on outings.

The "sink or swim" method is not the best approach. In this method, you would take the dog out driving until the problem is cured. This is hard on the dog and on the humans who have to clean up after him. The following steps are designed to give dog owners with car sick dogs a minimum amount of work. Some of the steps can be followed when you are going out in the car anyway. If your dog is responding well, you can skip some steps and proceed more rapidly. It will depend upon how severe the problem is. Proceed when your dog seems blase with the present step.

HOW TO CURE CAR SICKNESS

1) Put your dog in your parked car. Praise him, pet him, reassure him. Make him feel it's a party. Do not start the motor. After a few minutes, take him for a walk and then home. Do this twice a day for a few days.

2) Take Fido out to dinner...that is, out of the house and into your car. At his normal feeding time, put him in the car and give him his chow. After a few tries, leave the car and let him eat there along. Come back, praise him and walk him as soon as he finishes eating. If he won't eat with you gone, take your favorite magazine (Lhasa Bulletin) and keep him company. Try this for one week.

3) Now put Fido in the car, turn your engine on, make sure the window is cracked so that he has air and talk to him. Tell him "The Three Bears," shut off the motor, and take him out. Always praise him for sitting in the car.

4) Increase your warm up--motor on, car parked. Tell him a longer story. Praise and go home.

5) Time for a spin. Proceed as above and go for a very short ride. Talk to him reassure him, praise him when you get home. Do this for a few days.

6) Now you can start to take Fido on your short errands. When running out to the drugstore or for the Sunday papers, take him for a ride. When you get to your destination, take him with you. Tell him he's terrific-and drive him home. If he begins to salivate while you're driving, pull over and stop for a few minutes. Then proceed. A nice walk before the trip home will relax him and make it all worthwhile for him as well. He'll look forward to the next journey.

7) Continue slowly until you can take him on longer and longer trips.

FINAL TIPS

- Don't feed your dog before you work with him in the car. Except when feeding him in the car, let him look forward to dinner immediately after the lesson.
- Always leave the window open for enough fresh air but NOT enough for him to jump out.
- As he progresses so that he can go for short runs, take him whenever you can...on chores, for a short visit to friends, for a fill-up at the gas station. Work his rides into your normal routine whenever possible. Happy motoring!

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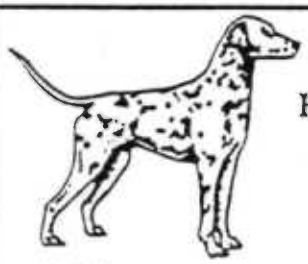
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