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SHOW REPORT

April 5, 1997 Canine Kennel Club, Heightstown, NJ

140 Total Dogs Entered

AM - BOB Adult & Group 2: ARBA CH, FIC CH, SKC CH, INT CH, Grand CH S.S. Mufasa TT

BOB Puppy & Group 3: S.S. Delphyne

PM BOB Adult & Group 3: ARBA CH, FIC CH, SKC CH, INT CH, Grand CH S.S. Mufasa TT

BOB Puppy, Group 1 & Best in Show: S.S. Delphyne

April 6, 1997 Canine Kennel Club, Heightstown, NJ

75 Total Dogs Entered

AM BOB Adult & Group 2: ARBA CH, FIC CH SKC CH, INT CH, Grand CH S.S. Mufasa TT

BOB Puppy & Group 1: S.S. Delphyne

PM BOB Adult & Group 1: ARBA CH, FIC CH, SKC CH, INT CH, Grand CH S.S. Mufasa TT

BOB Puppy, Group 2 & Best in Show: S.S. Delphyne

April 12, 1997 USNMCA

140 Total Dogs Entered

AM BOB Adult & Group 2: ARBA CH, FIC CH, SKC CH, INT CH, Grand CH S.S. Mufasa TT

BOB Puppy & Group 1: S.S. Deiphynes

PM BOB Adult & Group 3: ARBA CH, FIC CH, SKC CH, INT CH, Grand CH S.S. Mufasa TT

BOB Puppy, Group 1 & Best in Show: S.S. Delphyne

April 13, 1997 USNMCA

140 Total Dogs Entered

AM BOB Adult & Group 2: ARBA CH, FIC CH, SKC CH, INT CH, Grand CH S.S. Mufasa TT

BOB Puppy: S.S. Delphyne

April 26, 1997 Tri-State Working Dog, Heightstown, NJ

145 Total Dogs Entered

AM & PM BOB Adult : ARBA CH, FIC CH, NPPCC CH, DFUSA CH, S.S. Bad To Bone TT

Best of Opposite: S.S. Phoenix TT

April 27, 1997 Tri-State Working Dog, Heightstown, NJ

145 Total Dogs Entered

AM BOB Adult: FIC CH, NPPCC CH. S.S. Artemis

Best Of Opposite: S.S. Phoenix TT

BOB Puppy & Group 3: S.S. Taz

There was a large turn out of Presa at this Show. We would to mention them:

Greg Gill with Coloysus

Michelle Pollard & Family

Earl Lambert with Phoenix and Fugley

Tim Cross & Artemis

Everitt Wallace & Family with Taz.

April 26, 1997 ARBA Cherry Blossom Classic, Washington, DC

AM & PM BOB Puppy & Group 3: S.S. Delphyne

April 27, 1997 ARBA Cherry Blossom Classic. Washington, DC

AM BOB Puppy & Group 3: S.S. Delphyne

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BOB Puppy, Group 3, Group 1, Best in Show: S.S. Delphyne

QUIPS & QUOTES

Dog World Magazine: June issue features a Presa Canario listing from "Rush Kennels", Canton, Ohio. As noted in the Ad, the dogs shown are of Show Stopper Stock. A litter of pups is expected in June. This is John & Jennifer's first attempt at whelping a Presa. We all wish them success. John Rush owns S.S. Treacherous, a 2 Year old 140 lb., Red Fawn out of Calybos & Bad Mamba Jamba. Jennifer Bowen owns S.S. Pandora, an 18 Month old, 120 lb. Dark Brindle out of Calybos & Electra.

Speaking of Kennels: Bill Thyfault, owner of "Guardian Angels Kennel" in Lewisburg, Mo., recently picked up his latest additions for his kennel. His two new female Presa pups are from Show Stopper Kennels, out of Ch. S.S. Andromina (Train) and Ch. S.S. Posidan, TT (Bull). This now gives Bill a total of four Show Stopper Females, plus his young Stud dog S.S. Shaka Zula who is one year old and 135 lbs. Shaka is out of CH. S.S. Medusa TT, and sired by Ch. S.S. Mufasa TT.

We feel very confident, the Mid West will now have easy access to quality Presa Canario's through Bill and his family's diligence in breeding for quality size, soundness, and true Island Temperament. Best wishes from all of us here at NPPCC headquarters.

What do Presa's have in common with custom motorcycles? Well, just ask Presa owner and custom bike designer, Eddie Trotta, of "Thunder Designs", 629 Sunrise Blvd. Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33304. Here's a quote from Eddie:

Dear Mr. Kelly,

I can't tell you how much we all love this dog. S.S. Jocko is almost 11 months now, he weighs 120 lbs. He is being kept very slim. He gets a lot of exercise and I take him to work with me everyday. We also used him in a few TV Commercials, and he has become very well known. People come to my store everyday just to come see Jocko. Well, I just wanted to share some photos with you and brag about my dog.

He is very cool.

Thanks again.

(Note: Jocko is out of Ch. S.S> Medusa U & CH. S.S. Mufasa TT)

Seems like the Presa is gaining in popularity in the Fort Lauderdale area, thanks in part to Dr. Nassburg and Buster and now through the television celebrity Jocko. A friend of Eddie Trotta, Jim Anderson, from the Ft. Lauderdale area, called to reserve two female pups, one out of Medusa and the other from Hakuna Matata. According to Jim, he was tired of playing with Jocko and decided he wants two of his own.

The Missing Presa Story Tyke, the missing Presa was one of the very first dogs Show Stoppers Kennels shipped to California. The dog's original owner professed Tyke as an exceptional Wild Boar Hunter by the age of one. For reasons unknown to us, Tyke was given to Steve and Donna Tinbal of Simi Valley, Ca., resulting in the attached Newspaper article. Tyke is out of Ch. S.S. Bad Mamba Jamba and Ch. S.S. Calybos. Steve and Donna loved the breed so much that they ordered and have received their beautiful female, born 1/5/97, out of CH. S.S. Electra TT and sired by Ch. S.S. Mufasa. Donna and new Presa owner, Rio Demers, plan to begin exhibiting their new charges. By the way, Rio's new pup is a brindle male out of Ch. S.S. Bad Mamba Jamba and Ch. S.S. Posidan. Living in such a densely populated area Rio decided to name her male pup S.S. Bad Traffic Jamba. Ha! Ha! Ha!

To The Extremes New Presa owner, Kevin Pollard of Sicklerville, NJ, thought so much of this breed and his new Show Stopper Presa, he had a tattoo of the 'Gripper' logo placed on his upper arm. The words Presa Canario are across the top and his dog's name, Goliath is underneath. By the way, this Presa pup is a clone of his father, Ch. S.S. Posidan.

Frank Dombrowski of Dauphen, Pa. heard there was a fawn Presa male available at Show Stoppers Kennels out of Ch. S.S. Electra IT and Ch. S.S. Mufasa TT., due to a last minute contract cancellation. Frank wasn't at the Kennels more than 15 Minutes, and it was a done deal. After a few weeks went by, Frank called Show Stopper to inform them he was entering his pup in a rare breed dog show in Harrisburg, Pa. We are awaiting the results and some photos. His male is a sibling to S.S. Delphyne, who is currently the all time winningest Junior Presa pup.

THE GRIPPER GRIPE

Here we go again, another call for help to the NPPCC, from a new novice, Presa Canaria owner, located in the state of Virginia. It seems Mr. Ross Poole purchased what he believed to be a pure Presa. He paid good money (\$1,200.00), but he began to have doubts as to the show quality of the dog when his veterinarian indicated a congenital defect with the length of the dog's tongue. Ross contacted Show Stoppers and the breed club (NPPCC) to confirm whether or not the extra long tongue was indeed a severe fault. Unfortunately for Ross, during the inquiry he learned the dog had other faults indicating impure breeding. The dog in question is a blue brindle with a blue snout and light color eyes. It was explained how the Spanish Kennel Club Standard clearly states the Presa must always have a black snout and eye color of medium to dark brown. Besides, there is no such thing as a blue Presa, including blue brindles. To compound the scenario, it seems Ross purchased the bogus Presa from someone in the state of Maryland, who represented himself as a dog broker who had purchased a litter of these so-called Presa's from a questionable breeder in the Philadelphia area. Unfortunately, this person representing himself as a dog broker, does not have a Maryland Dog Broker's License. Ross has requested his money back or a replacement with a recognized show quality Presa Canario. The seller refuses to do anything and so Ross has initiated legal action with support of the Maryland Consumer Protection Agency.

The following is a direct quote from Ross to Show Stoppers, along with their response:

Richard,

Just a note to thank you for your time and patience with my frequent calling. I wanted you to take a look at the photos of my "Band" dog. Give me your opinion. If at all possible, send me a letter as founder of the NPPCC, stating your opinion of the dog, so that I may send it with my paperwork to the consumer Protection Agency. Another opinion would help. I will be sending you a deposit, and giving you another call to make a reservation by next weekend.

Again, Richard, I thank you for your help and in formative nature.

Ross Poole.

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Dear Ross,

We received your photo's of your supposed Presa Canario dog. It's readily understandable why you are so concerned about the purity of this dogs heritage. The disqualifying defects are quite obvious when measured against the Spanish Kennel Club Standard.

The standard clearly states that the stout must always be in black. The eyes vary between medium to dark brown. Lighter colors are inescapable. As the photos of your dog clearly show, the eyes are blue and so is the snout, indicating impure breeding. As for the extended tongue, your veterinarian should be able to confirm this condition as congenital. The quality of the photos limits our commentary about the eye (Haw). Please refer to the breed standard.

The National Perro de Presa Canario Club adheres to the same Spanish Kennel Club Standard as printed in our color brochure. As an officer of the NPPCC, it is my opinion, the photos sent for my inspection are those of a dog with questionable heritage and obvious impure breeding, certainly unworthy of the show ring.