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The Puppy Issue



*"Texas Trace Houston" 8 wks.
Greg & Roslin Copeland, TX*

AKC Responsible Dog Ownership Day

was celebrated this September in a community near you. Find out more about hosting or attending one of hundreds of fun and exciting events at <http://www.akc.org/clubs/rdod/events/index.cfm>

The AKC Responsible Dog Owner Pet Promise, created to bring the spirit of AKC Responsible Dog Ownership Day to life, reminds us that raising a happy and healthy pet is more than just playtime and pampering.

Petition:

We are petitioning America's pet owners to remind them of everything that is required to be a responsible dog owner. Sure we give our pups lots of playtime, treats and affection, but what about training? Is your dog groomed as often as his breed requires? Is your pup wearing a collar with tags and permanently identified with a microchip to maximize his chances of being returned to you if he becomes lost?

The AKC Responsible Dog Owner Pet Promise, created to bring the spirit of AKC Responsible Dog Ownership Day to life, reminds us that raising a happy and healthy pet is more than just playtime and pampering. Owners must ensure their dogs do not infringe on the rights of others, and this includes properly disposing of your dog's waste in all public areas, adhering to local leash laws and training your dog to sit, come when called and to cease barking so to not disturb others.

We signed the AKC Responsible Dog Owner Pet Promise to show our commitment to our four-legged friends and we hope you will too!

AKC RESPONSIBLE DOG OWNER PET PROMISE

As a dog owner, I do solemnly swear:

- * I will never overlook my responsibilities for this living being and recognize that my dog's welfare is totally dependent on me.
- * I will always provide fresh water and quality food for my dog.
- * I will socialize my dog via exposure to new people, places and other dogs.
- * I will take pride in my dog's appearance with regular grooming.
- * I will recognize the necessity of basic training by teaching my dog to reliably sit, stay and come when called.
- * I will take my dog to the vet regularly and keep all vaccinations current.
- * I will pick-up and properly dispose of my dog's waste.
- * I will make sure my dog is regarded as an AKC Canine Good Citizen® by being aware of my responsibilities to my neighbors and to the community.
- * I will ensure that the proper amount of exercise and mental stimulation appropriate for my dog's age, breed and energy level is provided.
- * I will ensure that my dog has some form of identification (which may include collar tags, tattoo or microchip ID.)
- * I will adhere to local leash laws.

Sign the AKC Responsible Dog Ownership Pet Promise!
<http://www.gopetition.com/online/9290.html>



Wishing you Happy Hollow-Days and Great Hunts for this Season!

**Patricia L. Watts
Hollow Creek Kennel, SC**

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Boykin Spaniel Events go to
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Tuckered Out

by Danny O'Driscoll



For information about this print, which features Hollow Creek's Chocolate Mouse & GRCH Hollow Creek's Alli-gator, contact Danny O'Driscoll <http://dannyodriscoll.com>

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ALERT . . .
**We Are in NEED of
Hunting Pictures for
Next Issue !!!**

What's In a Name?

The unauthorized changing of a Boykin Spaniel's registered name has become an issue recently in pedigree research on private web sites. Accomplished Boykins whelped by experienced, well-known Boykin breeders and legally registered with nationally recognized organizations are now appearing on other kennel web sites identified with a name different than that of its breeding kennel and different from its registered name. The name of some of the Boykins in question have been altered so that the name reflects that of the "owner" and owner's kennel rather than the name given by the experienced, well-known Boykin breeder and registered with various registries.

So, what's the problem with this you might ask? Outside of being dishonest, false advertisement and an outright lie...changing a registered dog's name without proper permissions denies the dog's heritage and misrepresents the breeding accomplishments of the breeding kennel. The "owner" is guilty of misrepresentation and false disclosure of "bloodline" declaration to potential buyers.

Most experienced breeders -- those who have actually spent many years developing their bloodline -- name their pups after their kennel so as to identify the pup as coming from their kennel and the line of dogs they have spent years creating. Registering pups with their breeding kennel name helps the breeder to track their pups and gives breeding credit where credit is due. The breeder will specify such naming conditions at the time of purchase and it is so recorded on the pup's registration papers. While this might not seem of paramount importance to a non-breeder, to change a dog's name is a violation of the breeder's right, purchase agreement, registration papers, and the rules /regulations of National Registries.

Another greatly troublesome problem created by changing a dog's registered name is the confusion in pedigree research. It is very difficult to determine whether a stud dog is the correct match for your bitch if the name in the OFA/CERF database does not match names given or advertised by owners on their web sites. When the dog's identity is deliberately concealed the future offspring's lineage may be misconstrued and/or concealed.

An added element and truly sad result created by changing a dog's registered name is the actual denial of the breeder's role as the

engineer of the plan that brought two dogs together to create the litter or an exceptional/accomplished dog. When a breeder requests or requires that their kennel name be included as a prefix, a suffix or any other part of the dog's registered name, it is intended to permanently label the dog as being produced by a specific kennel/breeder. For someone other than the breeder, and particularly another kennel, to attempt to take credit for this act is unethical and dishonest. Discipline from the AKC and the UKC should be swift and severe...even to strip away the breeding privileges of the offending kennel/breeder.

While this editorial is directed specifically at accomplished dogs, the same questions apply were someone to deliberately misrepresent and conceal the true identity of a dog with many hip problems, eye problems, elbow problems or any other physical or perceived fault.

The AKC and the UKC do not allow a dog to have its name changed after it has produced offspring.

AKC has definite rules covering when and who may change a dog's name. The cover of the registration rule booklet reads:

"Rules Applying to Registration and Discipline

Also applies to Foundation Stock Service Amended to May 1, 2004

Published by the American Kennel Club"

Chapter 3, Registration on pages 8&9 reads:

"SECTION 7. No change in the name of a dog registered with The American Kennel Club will be allowed to be made except for a one-time change for a dog whelped in the United States which the breeder(s) has registered with The American Kennel Club.

However, no change in the name will be recorded by The American Kennel Club after the dog has produced or sired an AKC registered litter or received an award at an AKC licensed or member event. Additionally, no change may be made to the dog's registered name unless the breeder(s) of record has consented in writing to the AKC approving the change.

Any change in name must comply with all AKC requirements."

UKC is less specific on who may change a dog's name, but they do require that the change can only be done before a dog has been bred or titled. The UKC rules for name changes on their web page "HOW TO REGISTER/LIST YOUR DOG" at <http://ukcdogs.com/Registration.htm> and

under the section of "Rules for Naming Dogs" states:

"The owner of a dog of any breed may change the dog's name as often as the owner likes until the dog receives a title from the United Kennel Club or has produced UKC registered offspring." Denying a dog its true and legal registered name and heritage is deceitful, is misleading, is dishonest information, is not truth-in-advertising and simply is not factual.

Misrepresenting a registered name, especially changing the kennel name to a different breeder's, is lying. It is also in violation of the Registry's rules and regulations. Regardless of where or how you alter a dogs registered name - whether it be on a web site or in a telephone call inquiry -- it is deceitful and dishonest. Any "owner" or owner kennel that alters a dogs name without permission misrepresents their own breeding accomplishments destroys any credibility they may have had.

So when considering buying a pup, do your pedigree research -- if everything does not add up or match - run very quickly the other way. If a breeder misrepresents any information to you online, telephone or any venue -- their credibility should be questioned. Unfortunately the world in which we live is full of unscrupulous people who would attempt such petty theft as that describe above. Caveat emptor is Latin for "let the buyer beware". Please beware.

- Patricia L. Watts, Editor



HEALTHWISE



Care of Your New Puppy Worming and Immunization Schedule

Here is a general schedule to follow to give your puppy a healthy start:

	3 to 4 days	2 Weeks	6 Weeks	9 Weeks	3 Months	1 Year
Examination (for general Health)			X	X		
Tail Docking & Dew Claw removal	X					
Worming (for parasites)		X	X			
DHP-PV-CV (1st for distemper parvo/ hepatitis/parainfluenza-parvo-carona)			X			
DHP-PV-CV (2nd)				X		
DHP-PV-CV (3rd)					X	
Bordetella (Kennel Cough)					X	
Rabies						X
Heartworm Prevention	Monthly beginning the new owner					
Flea & Tick Prevention	Monthly beginning at one year of age					
Heartworm Test	Between 6 & 12 mos. depending on the time of year.					

NOTES

Puppies can be spayed or neutered as early as 6 months old.
 Rabies booster shots are one year later and every three years after that.
 The DHP-PV-CV vaccination protects pups against upper respiratory and gastrointestinal viral diseases.



Texas Trace Sam, Roxy and Bon Bon
by Ginger Hurley

PET RULES

To be posted VERY LOW on the refrigerator door - nose height.

Dear Dogs and Cats,

The dishes with the paw print are yours and contain your food. The other dishes are mine and contain my food. Please note, placing a paw print in the middle of my plate and food does not stake a claim for it becoming your food and dish, nor do I find that aesthetically pleasing in the slightest.

The stairway was not designed by NASCAR and is not a racetrack. Beating me to the bottom is not the object. Tripping me doesn't help because I fall faster than you can run.

I cannot buy anything bigger than a king sized bed. I am very sorry about this. Do not think I will continue sleeping on the couch to ensure your comfort. Dogs and cats can actually curl up in a ball when they sleep. It is not necessary to sleep perpendicular to each other stretched out to the fullest extent possible. I also know that sticking tails straight out and having tongues hanging out the other end to maximize space is nothing but sarcasm.

For the last time, there is not a secret exit from the bathroom. If by some miracle I beat you there and manage to get the door shut, it is not necessary to claw, whine, meow, try to turn the knob or get your paw under the edge and try to pull the door open. I must exit through the same door I entered. Also, I have been using the bathroom for years —canine or feline attendance is not required.

The proper order is kiss me, then go smell the other dog or cat's butt. I cannot stress this enough!

To pacify you, my dear pets, I have posted the following message on our front door:

To All Non-Pet Owners Who Visit & Like to Complain About Our Pets:

1. They live here. You don't.
2. If you don't want their hair on your clothes, stay off the furniture. (That's why they call it "fur"niture.)
3. I like my pets a lot better than I like most people.
4. To you, it's an animal. To me, he/she is an adopted son/daughter who is short, hairy, walks on all fours and doesn't speak clearly.

Remember: Dogs and cats are better than kids because they:

1. Eat less
2. Don't ask for money all the time
3. Are easier to train
4. Normally come when called
5. Never ask to drive the car
6. Don't hang out with drug-using friends
7. Don't smoke or drink
8. Don't have to buy the latest fashions
9. Don't want to wear your clothes
10. Don't need a gazillion dollars for college, and . . .
11. If they get pregnant, you can sell their children.



"Bella" (3 mos.), by Mitchell Hunter of GA

Feeding for Smarts

New research shows that increased fish fat in puppy food increases trainability

Dad always said that fish was brain food. I thought it was just his excuse to go fishing. Mom always made me take my cod liver oil. I thought it was her punishment for whatever misdeeds she figured I'd commit that day. It turns out both of them were on to something. research from Iams shows that ingesting a component of cold-water fish makes puppies smarter and more trainable - so much so that we should add it to our growing list of ways to build superdogs.



In trials testing memory and trainability, pups fed a diet that included a component found in cold-water fish had double the success rate of pups fed a regular diet.

The ingredient, also found in mothers' milk, is docosahexaenoic acid (DHA), a long-chain omega-3 polyunsaturated fatty acid that makers of baby formula have also become aware of. Researchers at Iams have determined that dogs require about three times the amount of DHA as humans do to enhance neural development, since puppies acquire 70 percent of their brain mass by 6 weeks and 90 percent by 12 weeks.

Supervised by Martin Coffman, DVM, the Iams team evaluated 39

genetically similar eight-week old beagle pups. Twenty of them were fed a typical DHA diet, while the other 19 received the enhanced DHA formula, now called Iams Smart Pup, as did their mothers during pregnancy and lactation. All of the pups were socialized with the same kinds of human interaction and play. Everything was highly controlled to ensure that there was nothing different about the pups except the amounts of DHA in their diets.

The trial would test memory and trainability through shape recognition and food rewards. All pups underwent identical training for one week prior to the trial. For the trial, the pups entered a maze, where they saw a symbol fastened to the opposite wall. If that symbol was a circle, a food treat would be found by turning to the right. If it was a square, finding the treat required a left turn.

Beginning at nine weeks, the pups were tested multiple times a day for 30 days. Every time, each pup was evaluated by how quickly it could successfully complete its task. Midway, symbol signals were reversed. A circle meant turn left and a square meant turn right. Beagles persist when food is involved, so they all found the treat, but those getting enhanced DHA caught on fastest.

Fall Feeding Tips

OUTSIDE DOGS need 30 percent more calories from December through February than from June through August..

DOGS WORKING extremely hard in very cold weather can double or triple their calorie requirements.

HARDWORKING DOGS requiring premium food are those that run 20 times a week or more.

GRADUALLY SWITCH from maintenance to premium 7 to 10 days before conditioning or hunting begins.

IF UNABLE TO CONDITION, begin supplementing your dog's diet with vitamin C on the first day of hunting.

START FEEDING the amount recommended by the manufacturer, then adjust for your dog's individual metabolism.

THE FINAL MEASURE of correct feeding is your dog's ribs - they should be visible but not prominent.

Results were consistent over the numerous daily replications. On final tally, puppies fed enhanced DHA achieved a startling success rate twice that of pups on a typical DHA diet. Think about that - twice the smarts, twice the memory, twice the trainability.

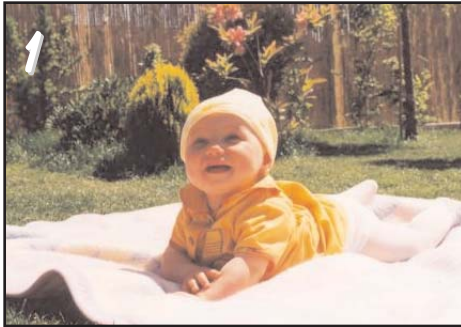
A word of caution: Enhanced DHA cannot turn just any pup into a superdog. A genetically willful, uncooperative pup would simply become twice as wily. But add enhanced DHA to other proven ways of building superdogs and your chances of owning one will multiply greatly.

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ATTENTION ALL DOGS!!!

THE FOLLOWING ARE IMPORTANT INSTRUCTIONS FOR EVERY DOG TO KNOW



Instructions for properly hugging a baby

1. First, spy a baby.

2. Second, be sure that the object you spied was indeed a baby by employing classic sniffing techniques. If you smell baby powder and the wonderful aroma of wet diapers this is indeed a baby.

3. Next you will need to flatten the baby before actually beginning the hugging process. **Note: The added slobber should help in future steps by making the "paw slide" easier.



4. The "paw slide" -Simply slide paws around baby and prepare for possible close-up.

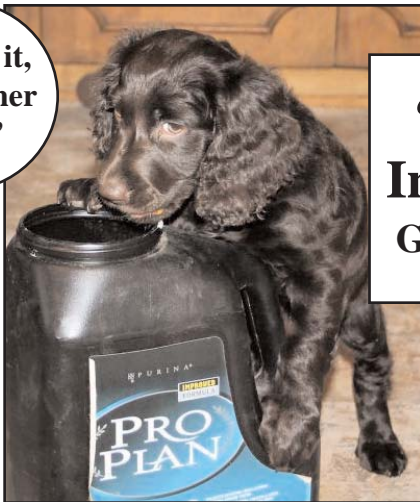
5. Finally, if a camera is present, you will need to execute the difficult and patented "hug, smile, and lean" so as to achieve the best photo quality.



Dogs, if this is properly done, it will secure you a warm, dry, climate-controlled environment for the rest of your life. Good luck to all of you!



"This is it, the Mother Load"



"Texas Trace Independence", Greg Copeland, TX

"Mine All Mine"



A DOG FOR JESUS

I wish someone had given Jesus a dog
As loyal and loving as mine
To sleep by His manger and gaze in His eyes
And adore Him for being divine.

As our Lord grew to manhood His faithful dog
Would have followed Him all through the day
While He preached to the crowds and made the sick well
And knelt in the garden to pray.

It is sad to remember that Christ went away
To face death alone and apart
With no tender dog following close behind
To comfort its Master's Heart.

And when Jesus rose on that Easter morn
How happy He would have been
As His dog kissed His hands and barked its delight
For The One who died for all men.

Well, the Lord has a dog now, I just sent Him mine
The old pal so dear to me
And I smile through my tears on this first day alone
Knowing they're in eternity.

Day after day, the whole day through
Wherever my road inclined
Four feet said, "I am coming with you!"
And trotted along behind.

Written By: Rudyard Kipling

KIDS ARE TRULY AMAZING

A Dog's Purpose - from a 4 year old

Being a veterinarian, I had been called to examine a ten-year old Irish Wolfhound named Belker. The dog's owners, Ron, his wife, Lisa, and their little boy, Shane, were all very attached to Belker and they were hoping for a miracle. I examined Belker and found he was dying of cancer. I told the family we couldn't do anything for Belker, and offered to perform the euthanasia procedure for the old dog in their home. As we made arrangements, Ron and Lisa told me they thought it would be good for the four-year-old Shane to observe the procedure. They felt as though Shane might learn something from the experience. The next day, I felt the familiar catch in my throat as Belker's family surrounded him. Shane seemed so calm, petting the old dog for the last time, that I wondered if he understood what was going on. Within a few minutes, Belker slipped peacefully away. The little boy seemed to accept Belker's transition without any difficulty or confusion. We sat together for a while after Belker's death, wondering aloud about the sad fact that animal lives are shorter than human lives. Shane, who had been listening quietly, piped up, "I know why." Startled, we all turned to him. What came out of his mouth next stunned me. I'd never heard a more comforting explanation. He said, "People are born so that they can learn how to live a good life — like loving everybody all the time and being nice, right?" The four-year-old continued, "Well, dogs already know how to do that, so they don't have to stay as long." Live simply. Love generously. Care deeply. Speak kindly. Leave the rest to God.



**SADIE,
JAEGER,
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WITH
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Waggin' Tails



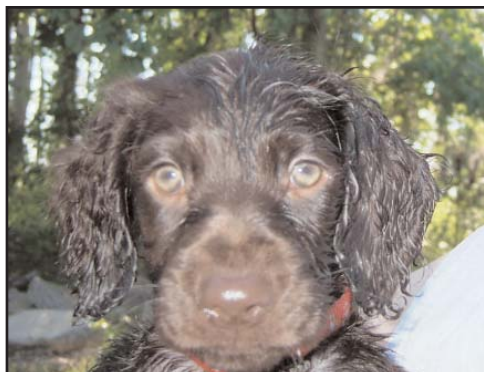
Evie, Mad & "Cookie" of Sullivan's Island, SC



"Bunny" (4 mos.) at Edisto Beach, SC, Lisa Schmidt



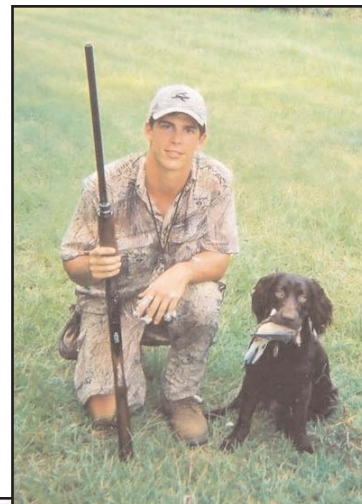
"Daisy" Phillip Newton Dallas, TX



"Gracie" (3 mo.) and "Mollie" (15 mo.) in training, Berle & Cathy Wilson of Elizabeth City, NC



"Ruby" (10 wks.), Susan and Dennis Mitman



"Junior" and Jeff Crumbley of Atlanta, GA



. . . And More Waggin' Tails !



**Hollow Creek's
Reilly and Kirby in front of the
Golden Gate Bridge
Owner - James Campbell, CA**



**Stormy is currently about 9 weeks old. We have only met him once, but he will be our first dog. Stormy is being trained as an assistance dog for my son with autism. The photo of Stormy by himself is a close-up of him napping under the breeder's gas grill. One pic is of my son, Douglas, with one of the litter mates. The third is another pic of a sleeping puppy in a very comfortable and submissive state on my daughter's lap.
- Reid and Sandy Smith of Charlotte, NC**



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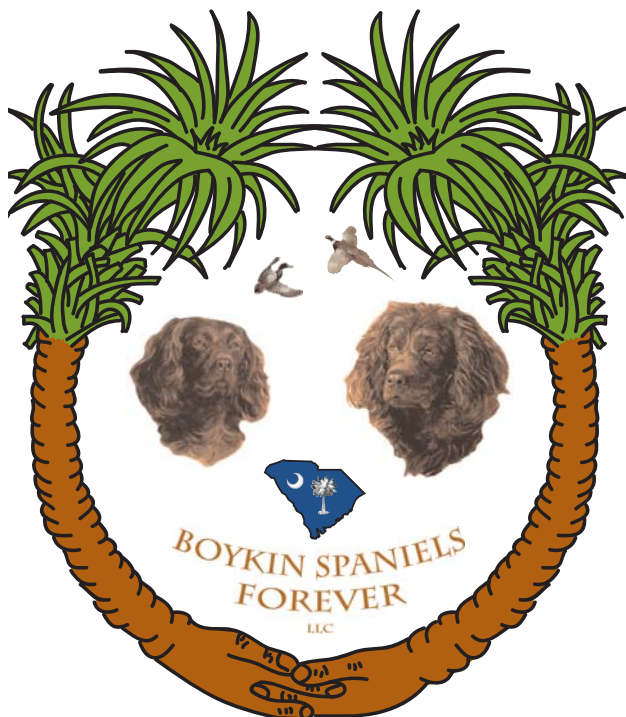


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