

# Hungarian Pumi Club of America

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## President's Message



Here's your issue of the HPCA Newsletter! Sorry we missed the fall issue, but this one makes up for it at 37 pages! This newsletter is provided by and for HPCA members, and needs help from everyone in the club. Please think about how you can contribute to this effort. We try to get it out quarterly, but that doesn't always happen. But as my grandmother used to say "Many hands make light work." Each

club member should consider themselves a reporter for our newsletter because there's lots of activities to report!

**Help Wanted.** We have had lots of suggestions on Facebook recently about things the club should be doing, and statements that we should have been doing it long ago, etc. Since 2015 we have published a Help Wanted section in this newsletter with lots of different types of job, yet almost none have answered this call. It's easy to criticize others, but those who have not volunteered their time and expertise to benefit the club should not criticize, and those who criticize should consider contributing their time and expertise. We need you! There are a lot of postings for jobs in this newsletter and I hope every one of you will consider helping. As it says in the Help Wanted column, "it takes a village". Thanks ahead of time – I hope we have lots of volunteers!

**Pumifest 2018.** Plans are underway for Pumifest 2018 in the York, Pennsylvania area. We have had volunteers for our Event Chairs and Secretaries, but still need have a few more positions needing to be filled. All chairs (and vacancies) are listed at <http://pumiclub.org/events/2018-pumifest/pumifest-volunteer/>. If there's something you'd like to volunteer for and there's already a

## Upcoming Events

**October 4 – 7**

**Pumifest**

Harrisburg, PA

## Help Wanted

It takes a village to keep a parent club functioning and we can use your help!

### Newsletter Articles

This is your newsletter. Help us make it better by contributing interesting articles that you've written or seen elsewhere (and we can get permission to reproduce). Send your info to Karen Beattie Massey at [beattiekaren@hotmail.com](mailto:beattiekaren@hotmail.com).

### Newsletter Stats

We can use someone to put together the top 10 stats and new title holders for the newsletter. Email Karen if you'd like to help

Chair, then contact the Chair and volunteer to help. We need to build up club expertise making Pumifest happen – it's a big undertaking for a relatively small club.

**Pumifest 2019.** The Board is entertaining proposals for locations for Pumifest 2019 in the central part of the US. There's information on proposing a location on the HPCA website.

**Agility.** Congrats to Ginny Hayes and her hard-working committee for putting on very successful 3 days of all-breed agility trials. She's written up an article about it in this issue.

**Breeding.** The Pumi is a very rare breed, and those who are interested in breeding their Pumi (male or female), should be aware of the additional considerations needed to maintain healthy dogs within a limited gene pool. There is a lot of information on the web about population genetics that every breeder should strive to learn about. Included in this is preventing overbreeding of any particular dog which would contribute a disproportionate amount of that dog's genes to the gene pool (or "puddle" in our case). If you're interested in population genetics and breeding, be sure to see the article in this newsletter, "*Maintaining and Improving Breeds*". Taru Parvin has also compiled some information as to policies in other European countries that we can use when developing HPCA policies.

Until next time....

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## Help Wanted

### Judges Selection Committee

The HPCA Board would like to form a Judges Selection Committee who will:

1. Research the various methods used by other Parent Clubs to select judges
2. Come up with a recommendation on how the HPCA should do this, and
3. Implement the approved process in time to select a judge for this year's Pumifest

Preferably this Committee would consist of members who have been involved in other parent clubs (but not a requirement). If you are interested, please contact Chris at [chris@abiquadogs.com](mailto:chris@abiquadogs.com). See the article in the newsletter for more detail.

### AKC Delegate

The HPCA Board is accepting résumés from members who are interested in serving the club as AKC Delegate. Résumés should specifically address skills and experience listed in the article in the newsletter. Deadline for submission is March 6th (two days prior to the March Board meeting).

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## Zsa Zsa Update

By Nancy Nelson



Winter Greetings! I hope everyone is somewhere warm and sunny! Here in Connecticut it is cold, raining and MUD season. Because of the weather I have been cooped up in the house more than normal and my shopping has been limited because I overspent my allowance at the show in Orlando and Mom cut me off (she's no fun!). I'm bored and frankly into trouble. A bored ZsaZsa is a naughty ZsaZsa. Keeping me active with some Frisbee daily really helps....I don't care if it is snow Frisbee.

There have been some changes in my home since the last time I updated you. As many of you know, I became a mother. This was difficult, but luckily I planned ahead and hired a competent nanny so the little pests didn't disrupt my social schedule too much. I fully expected all of the little creatures to leave and I wouldn't have to deal with any of them. Two, yes **TWO** stayed. I am sure you have seen the things...Daisy and Dragon. Daisy was

very sick so I guess it made sense that she would stay until she got better. She's better and still here, humph. Daddy thinks the world of her and spoils her. Whatever Daisy wants Daisy gets. Dragon is another story, a pesky boy. We have had to change everything around here. How we eat, how we go out, how we train.

Having 5 dogs requires our humans to do things a bit differently. Eating is a start. We all get our dinner at the same time, but we can't sit together anymore. It is important to make sure that everyone gets their bowl and their food. The little ones want to bowl surf and that is unacceptable. They need to learn to eat their food and not steal MINE. Daisy and Dragon get their bowls in their crates. That way they cannot steal our food. Trish, Lila, and I can eat in a more sophisticated manner in our designated places.

Going outside also requires us to wait patiently. We can't all rush the door. Daisy for a long time had to have Mom or Dad take her – now she waits to last so we don't run over her. It is important to sit and wait at the door until Mom or Dad says go. It is soooo hard to do. Mom says this takes training. We started with sitting and waiting with leashes on, then when it is our turn, Mom unclips us and gives us our release word. The best part of going out is coming in, there is always a cookie waiting.

In our house we each have our own place. Trish has her bed, I have the sofa top, Lila a chair and the kids have crates. We all know that if Mom says "up, up" it means go to our place. We aren't supposed to leave our place until Mom or Dad says. Trish is best at this.

These changes have been hard, but I know we needed them.

Next time I write it will be spring, sunny, sunny, sunny! Keep smiling until then!

XOXOXO

ZsaZsa



## The #1 and #2 common injury factors for puppies - it's not just about hips and elbows

By Racine Hyatt CCFT CCM, December 28, 2017

### #1: GROWTH

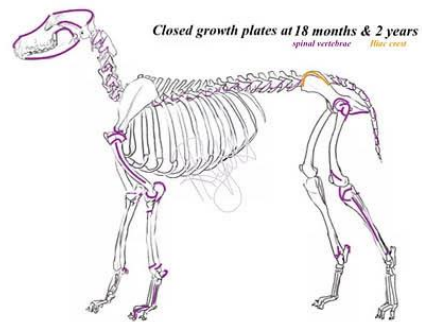
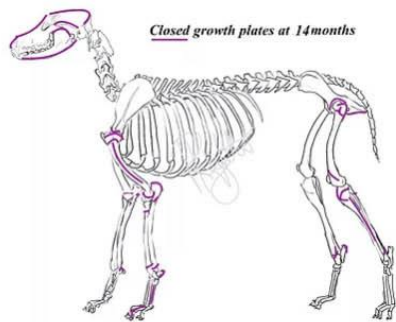
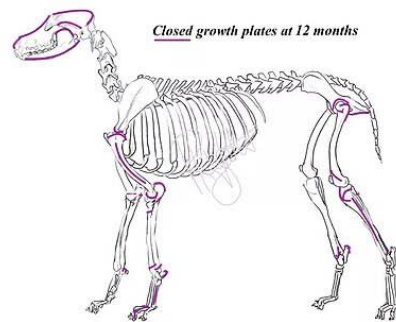
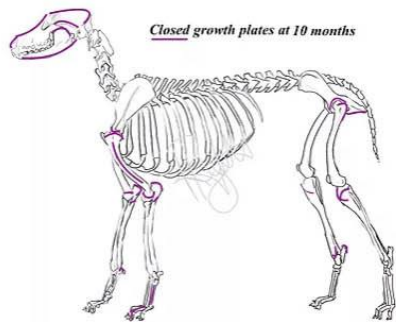
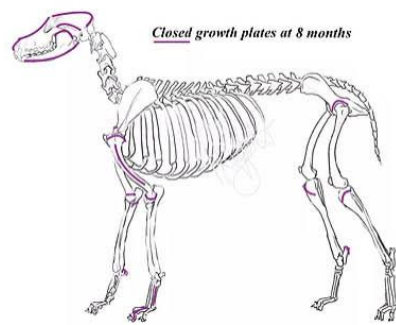
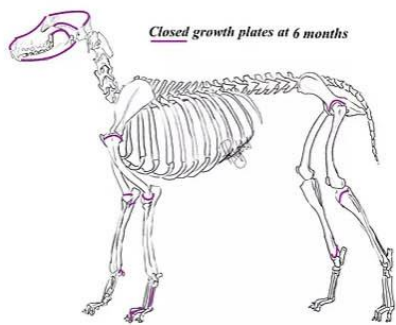
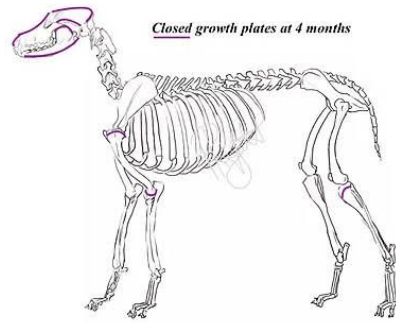
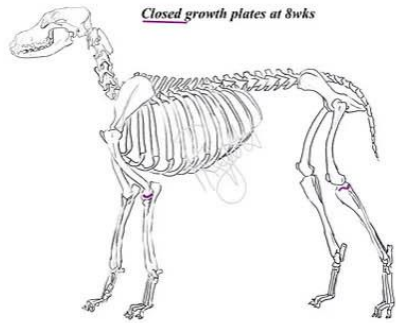
Your puppy's skeleton is made up of **320+ bones** (+1 for the boys) and some bones have as many as **five (5) growth plates**. The more ridges/planes and different dimensions, the more growth plates - the best examples are the large, flat bones of the skull, shoulder blades and pelvis and the multi-dimensional vertebrae. This means that **over 700+ growth plates** must develop / mature and close perfectly in order for your puppy to have a strong body that will support him for his entire life!

Did you know that the major joints (neck / shoulders / elbows / spine / hips / stifles and hocks) are made up of several bones, all with multiple growth plates that do NOT develop and close at the same time? IT'S TRUE!

While puppy's skeleton is growing, so are his muscles, tendons and ligaments - but not at the same time or in the same region as the bones they are attached to (bones grow FIRST / soft tissue SECOND). This means that, following a growth spurt, your puppy's muscles/tendons and ligaments are struggling to control and support bones which are incrementally too long on one side of a joint (until the soft tissue completes it's own growth phase to catch up to the bones). This asymmetrical development causes your puppy to be off kilter in one region of his body or another until he is 18 - 24 months of age!



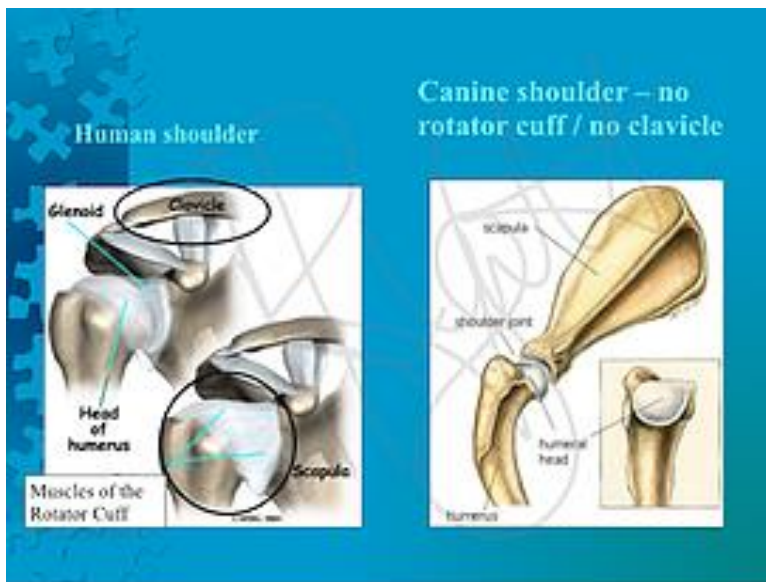
Check out the following diagrams to see which growth plates have closed (indicated by the purple lines) at various ages from 8wks - 18+mos (\*note that we have used the latest [safest] closure times):



What does all this mean to your puppy? Growth = Imbalance = risk of Injury

Joints are unstable until all the growth plates on both sides AND the bones (which form the levers for movement) have finished developing and can cope with the sheer force applied to them by the large muscle groups as puppy moves. Remember that bones and soft tissue do not develop or respond to exercise the same way.

Take shoulders for example: until both the Humerus and Scapulae are finished growing (at approx. 10 months of age) the force of the Triceps, Deltoids, and shoulder muscles pulling the limbs into action (running, jumping, turning and braking) can disrupt the new cells as bones develop and fill in! This is especially risky since dogs do not have the additional security of rotator cuff joints keeping the shoulder/upper arm attached to the axial skeleton - unlike humans:



It is also worth noting that puppy's spinal vertebrae are not closed until 18 months and the top of the pelvic bone is still developing until 2 YEARS of age!

Why is this significant? Think of all the attention "groin" (aka: iliopsoas) strains are getting - this muscle group is located in the most mobile section of the dog's body (lower back) and is attached to the sections of the skeleton which take the longest to develop and fully mature!



These are just two examples of why the DogWorks exercise program for puppies is built around the AGE and STAGE OF DEVELOPMENT of your puppy.


Planning age appropriate levels of activity and exercise will ensure that puppy is not doing too much too soon and will grow into a body that is able to support him during activity - not be damaged by it

**Fig.1. Position of the iliopsoas muscle**

## #2: EXERCISE

**How does the body respond to exercise?**

As the heart and skeletal muscles are pushed, the body's first {physical} response is to saturate them with {extra nutrients} blood, which will increase their size - the same way this sponge gets bigger by absorbing water!



Exercise as an injury factor? Not just from falling / jumping / running too far/too long. We're talking about physiological changes: how exercise affects muscle strength / endurance and flexibility - bones and soft tissue do not respond to exercise stress the same way.

The body's first physical response to exercise is to saturate the heart and MUSCLES with extra blood to provide them with the extra nutrients they need to cope with the stress. More blood flowing in will increase muscle mass (much

the same way a sponge gets larger when it absorbs water) and makes the muscle bigger and more capable.

Muscular response can be rapid - people see changes in muscle tone and make the incorrect assumption that this is good for puppy. Increased muscle must be desirable, right? Wrong...

Muscles are not the only factor to consider - the ligaments that connect bone to bone and the tendons which connect muscle to bone don't respond to exercise as fast as muscle will. This means that the muscles can OVERDEVELOP in relation to the tendons and ligaments and, due to their pure power, will cause micro-strains as they are stretched beyond their capacity during activity! Now your puppy has tiny centers of scar tissue which are inflexible and create weakness.

This explains why puppy comes up lame for "no reason" - connective tissues are overworked, and over time creates imbalanced, compensatory movement and finally...injury

"Development not Destruction"

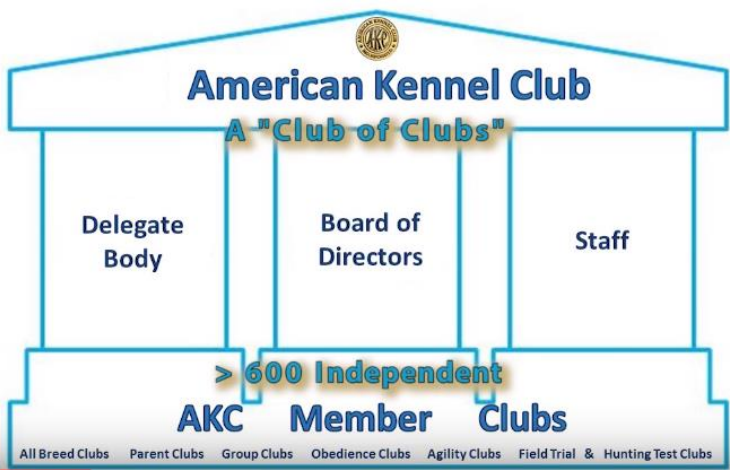
This is a sample of how the DogWorks "Fit for Life" Puppy Program plans for safe, age appropriate exercise and activity

Activities					
Age	Strength	Enurance	Proprioception	Skills	Comments
<b>Under 6 months</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• short walks</li> <li>• chasing an object on the ground</li> <li>• supervised play</li> </ul>	None	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ladder work (nothing higher than wrists)</li> <li>• perch work (on the ground)</li> <li>• turning Left &amp; Right</li> <li>• changes of terrain/ surfaces</li> <li>• back up</li> <li>• Doggie Yoga</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• basic OB</li> <li>• gait training</li> <li>• poles on the ground (below wrist height) to teach jump technique</li> </ul>	Young puppies should not be exercised with the specific intent of increasing strength. Much of the exercise & skill building can be done via directed play.
<b>6 months to growth plate closure (15 months)</b>	All of the above plus: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sit UP</li> <li>• Wave</li> <li>• Beg + Shake a Paw / High 5</li> <li>• Roll Over</li> <li>• Crawl</li> <li>• Hill work</li> <li>• Tugging</li> </ul>	None	All of the above plus: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ground poles in patterns</li> <li>• Trick training (non-impact)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• jump training from hock height to elbow</li> <li>• gait and jump training to teach change stride length, lead legs</li> </ul>	High impact and endurance training is delayed until growth plates have closed.
<b>After growth plate closure</b>	Planned strength training 3 - 4 times a week including all of the above plus: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sit UP + stand</li> <li>• dog walk</li> <li>• teeter</li> <li>• tunnels/chute</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Begin aerobic exercise 3 x 20 minute jogs a week (on level terrain)</li> <li>• gradually increase intensity adding hills or changes in terrain</li> </ul>	All of the above	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• jumps can be raised to competition height</li> <li>• begin Weaves</li> <li>• begin Fly-ball box work</li> </ul>	By this age (15-18 months) muscles and connective tissue are still developing so duration, frequency and intensity of exercise should be gradually increased until 2yrs.

Notice how Proprioception receives the most focus until 6 months of age - this is so much more than just body awareness, when you engage puppy's brain you are stimulating the Central Nervous System which controls coordination! This will enhance self-confidence, improve learning capabilities and enrich mental health AND reduce the risk of injuries!

## Help Wanted: AKC Delegate

The American Kennel Club is an incorporation, but it is also a “club of clubs”. There are over 4,500 clubs that hold AKC events, and about 600 of them are “Member Clubs”. A Member Club designates an AKC Delegate to represent that club as a part of the Delegate Body. The Delegate Body meets quarterly, 3 times a year in New Jersey (near New York City) and once in Orlando in December in conjunction with the AKC National Championship show.



The HPCA became a Member Club of the American Kennel Club last summer. The AKC Delegate, as described in our Constitution and



Bylaws, is a person appointed by the HPCA Board. The Board is currently soliciting resumes for members who would be interested in serving as the HPCA's AKC Delegate.

Delegates vote on AKC rule changes, bylaw changes, and who serves on the Board of Directors (who come from the Delegate Body). Ideas and proposals are brought to the Delegate Body.

### What Happens at Delegate Meetings?

A member club's AKC Delegate can

- Vote (as directed by the club)
- Speak on topics of importance to the club
- Talk to Board members and staff about member and club issues
- Report back to the club about delegate meetings

The Delegate meetings last 2 days. The first day is Committee meetings and a General Caucus. There are 11 Committees.



A Delegate can attend any committee meeting to see what each Committee is doing. They can ask questions and provide input at those meetings. They can also apply to serve on a Committee that is relevant to their club's interests.

The second day is the Formal Delegate Meeting

where Delegates vote on AKC Rules and Bylaws and elect members to the Board of Directors.

### Requirements for an AKC Delegate

*From the AKC Bylaws, Article VI:*

**SECTION 5.** Any person in good standing with the AKC who is a resident citizen of the United States, its territories or possessions, or has permanent resident alien status as defined by the Immigration and Naturalization Act, shall be eligible to become or remain a Delegate, providing this person meets

*the criteria for occupational eligibility given herein. No person is eligible to become or remain a*

*Delegate if he or she (a) is a professional handler or trainer of dogs, professional judge of purebred dog events, a professional judge defined as one who charges a fee in excess of actual expenses, (b) is engaged in trade or traffic in dogs, which includes commercial breeders or brokers of dogs for resale, (c) is employed full time in the manufacture or sale of dog food or dog supplies, (d) is a publisher or other person who promotes show dogs/kennels through solicitation or acceptance of advertisements in commercial dog publications, dog show superintendents or his or her employees. (e) has a significant interest in a dog registry, dog event-giving organization or any organization deemed to be in competition with AKC or in conflict with its objects. Significant interest would include but not be limited to, ownership in, employment by, a directorship of, and holding office in.*

*No person may become or remain a Delegate if convicted of a misdemeanor or felony involving the theft, embezzlement, or misappropriation of funds or property from The American Kennel Club, any AKC subsidiary, or affiliated organization, or an AKC-sanctioned, licensed, or member club in a civil court action within the previous ten (10) years. The same would apply to a person found liable for the theft, embezzlement, or misappropriation of funds or property from The American Kennel Club, any AKC subsidiary, or affiliated organization, or an AKC-sanctioned, licensed, or member club in a civil court action within the previous ten years.*

*A conviction or admission of guilt or finding of a liability in a court of competent jurisdiction involving theft, embezzlement or misappropriation of funds or property from The American Kennel Club, any AKC subsidiary, or affiliated organization, or an AKC-sanctioned, licensed, or member club within the last ten years, shall be deemed conclusive proof and shall be grounds for the disapproval of a Delegate candidate or the removal of a seated Delegate.*

From the HPCA Bylaws, Article III, Section I

*The AKC Delegate shall be an ex-officio, nonvoting member of the Board of Directors. The delegate shall be appointed by the Board of Directors at its first meeting of the club year and serve for a term of one year. Among other duties, the Delegate shall report to the Club all actions and matters discussed at the AKC's quarterly meetings.*

*This means that the AKC Delegate needs to attend all HPCA Board meetings (bi-monthly conference call) and report on any items that are of interest to the club, especially those that may need direction from the club for voting.*

### **Expectations for an AKC Delegate**

#### **Long term (5 years or more) commitment to represent and serve the HPCA.**

One of the benefits of having an AKC Delegate is the chance for networking with other clubs, most specifically other Parent Clubs, and learning what other Parent Clubs do and how they handle procedures and issues. Meeting and becoming acquainted with other Delegates will be beneficial to the HPCA and its members so longevity in the position helps.

### ***Commitment to attend and participate at Delegate Meetings***

The AKC Delegate is expected to attend every Delegate meeting and participate as much as they can.

### ***A timely report on the actions taken at Delegate Meetings***

It's important that the AKC Delegate inform the members of what has happened at the meetings that apply to the HPCA and/or its members. A Delegate I spoke with told me that he spends the time flying home (5 hours for him), writing up his report to the club which is published in the newsletter and on the web site.

### ***Presentation of actions/issues that will come before future Delegate Meetings***

The AKC Delegate seeks direction from the HPCA Board as to how to vote, so issues that will be voted upon should be discussed by the Board so they may direct the Delegate how to vote.

### ***When applicable, vote as directed by the Member Club***

And, of course, the Delegate must attend the meetings to vote as directed by the club.

### ***Acts as ombudsman for Member Club members dealing with AKC***

The AKC Delegate learns from experience who the right staff members are to talk to when dealing with club questions or issues and can facilitate the communications with those staff on behalf of the club members.

### ***Experience***

The HPCA AKC Delegate should have longevity in exhibiting (conformation or performance) at AKC events, have worked in dog clubs, and held positions of authority (not necessarily the HPCA) in AKC clubs.

### ***Attributes***

The AKC Delegate should enjoy working with others, and get along well with others working in a collaborative environment.

### ***Finances***

The HPCA has limited funds and cannot afford to completely reimburse their Delegate for all the expenses of attending a 2-day meeting 4 times a year. Expenses would include transportation to the meeting, at least 2 nights' hotel, and meals. The Board would like the résumé to include an approximate amount that the applicant is willing to contribute towards their expenses (or what would be expected to be provided by the club). We know this isn't really fair to people who would have to fly to meetings, but unfortunately, those are the cards we're dealt.

## Additional Information

On the following page is a summary of the importance of the AKC Delegate. Further information is available from a video produced by AKC about the AKD Delegate at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=m-Mp3Z9fg7s>.

## How to Apply

The HPCA Board is accepting résumés from members who are interested in serving the club as AKC Delegate. Résumés should specifically address skills and experience that address the requirements listed above and why you feel you would be a good AKC Delegate.

Deadline for submission is March 6<sup>th</sup> (two days prior to the March Board meeting).

## Maintaining and Improving Breeds

Authored by Jerold S Bell DVM, Cummings School of Veterinary Medicine at Tufts University [jerold.bell@tufts.edu](mailto:jerold.bell@tufts.edu)

In order to understand how to maintain breeds, we have to understand the genetic forces that shape them. Natural species evolve through natural selection. Any genetic changes within a population that improve the chance of survival and ability to reproduce in the populated environment will be at an advantage and thrive. This results in a loss of genetic diversity through the disadvantaged. This loss is not detrimental to the population as it is directly related to increasing its superiority.

Dog breeds develop through artificial selection for desired phenotypes – what you can see in the dogs. These can include conformation, behavior, working ability and health. Most breeds originally started from either a small population of related founders, or as a population of unrelated dogs that conformed to a working or conformational phenotype. Some breed lines will be discarded over time due to genetic defects, or an inability to adhere to a standard. Regardless of the breed origin, generations of reproduction within a small population produce homozygosity (the fixation of gene pairs) through close breeding. This is what causes breeds to reproduce themselves with each generation.

Genetic studies of dog breeds show that they lose on average 35% of their genetic diversity through breed formation. Genetic studies also document the increased homozygosity found in dog breeds. **Low effective population size (low number of founders) and high deep-pedigree inbreeding coefficients (homozygosity) are a natural and expected consequence of breed development.**

Breeds differ from natural populations in that only a small percentage of dogs reproduce to create the next generation. In a population sense, this represents a genetic bottleneck with each generation. Individuals chosen for breeding should represent the quality traits of the breed. Quality traits should not be lost through the absence of selection or the abandonment of quality lines.

Population expansion is an important aspect of breed maintenance. If the offspring of small population breeds are generally healthy their population can grow and expand. They are at stages



of breed development where more populous breeds were earlier in their development. Breeders of small population breeds need to mentor their puppy buyers to expand their breeder base as well as the number of dogs.

Population expansion allows the creation of new "family lines." A larger population allows the average relatedness of breeding pairs (based on recent generations) to be less than the prior generation. Population contraction is detrimental to breed maintenance due to the loss of quality breeding lines and genetic diversity. **Healthy breed gene pools require expanding, or large, stable populations.**

There are times when a lot of breeding is going on and registrations are increasing, and times (such as the recent past) when less breeding is going on. However, it is the offspring that reproduce (regardless if from prolific or limited-breeding parents) that contribute their genes to the next generation. Breeding quality dogs from different "lines" and areas of the gene pool prevents the loss of genetic diversity.

**The popular sire syndrome is the single most influential factor in restricting breed gene pool diversity.** When a breed is concentrating on a specific sire or multi-generational sire line, other quality male lines are abandoned. This causes a loss of genetic diversity to the breed gene pool in exchange for a rapidly increasing influence of the popular sire.

Now is an important time to use frozen semen of quality dogs from the past to expand gene pools. Stored DNA (such as from the OFA CHIC repository) or semen can be used for breed-specific genetic testing that might not have been previously available.

All individuals carry some deleterious genes, which can increase in frequency with natural as well as artificial selection. More "lines" of naturally occurring species have died off due to genetic disorders or diminished fitness than those that have survived. As individuals propagate, deleterious mutations can become breed-related disease if they are disseminated and increase in frequency.

Studies show that some breeds have more issues of specific genetic diseases with linebreeding and others do not. This depends on the genetic load of deleterious recessive genes in the gene pool. **The genetic health of dog breeds is not a direct function of homozygosity, genetic diversity, or population size; but of the accumulation and propagation of specific disease liability genes.**

Artificial selection to maintain breeds requires active selection against deleterious genes. This is easier with dominant or additive genes, as the genotype is observed in the dog's phenotype. For recessive deleterious genes, selection involves the development and use of genetic tests that reveal the carrier state, or the identification of lines with carrier risk.

Some hereditary disorders and disease-predisposing phenotypes have been actively selected for by breeders. The most evident and widespread is the brachycephalic obstructive airway disorder, seen in extremely short-muzzled breeds. Other extreme phenotypes include excessive skin, excessive skin folds, excessive hind limb angulation, excessive size, excessive coat, dome-shaped skulls, and eyelid abnormalities. **It is important that breed standards and selection practices specifically avoid selection**

**for extreme phenotypes that cause disease liability. For the show ring, judges education should be directed towards rewarding moderation of disease-related extreme phenotypes.**

Regular breed health surveys should be conducted by breed clubs to monitor for the presence and changing prevalence of genetic disorders. The OFA offers on-line health surveys for breeds. **Breed genetic health should be judged on breed health surveys that document the occurrence of genetic disease.**

Parent breed clubs should determine realistic pre-breeding genetic screening requirements based on the prevalence and severity of testable disorders in the breed. **Health testing requirements should be listed in the OFA CHIC and AKC Bred with H.E.A.R.T. program websites.**

Without direct selection against genetic disorders, the genetic health of breeds will decline. Breeders who refuse to do pre-breeding health screening should be directed to find a different hobby or profession that they can actually be good at. It is not ethical to breed dogs without selection for genetic health. **Selection of healthy breeding stock is the most important aspect of maintaining breeds.**

Each breeder must prioritize their selection for positive traits and against disease traits with each mating. Some breeders feel that genetic screening will reduce the genetic diversity of breeds. **The proper use of genetic screening actually increases breeding choices by allowing quality dogs at higher-risk of carrying disease liability genes to be bred:**

-Quality carriers of testable disease-causing recessive genes should be bred to normal testing mates and replaced for breeding with quality, normal testing offspring.

-Quality dogs with a less desirable phenotype (such as fair or even mild hip dysplasia in breeds with high frequencies of dysplasia) should be bred to dogs with desirable phenotypes (good or excellent hips) and replaced for breeding with offspring whose phenotype is better than the parent.

-Quality non-affected dogs from lines expressing disorders that do not have genetic tests (such as epilepsy) should be bred to mates from families or litters not expressing the disorder and replaced for breeding with a quality, healthy offspring.

In small population breeds with high frequencies of genetic disorders, breeders are often "frozen" from breeding for fear of producing disease. This causes continued breed decline due to population contraction. Breed improvement requires selection of the best breeding choices in matings that can reduce the frequency of genetic disease. As the population and breeding choices expand, the ability to reduce the frequency of disease expands with it. **Breed improvement involves; 1) selection of breeding dogs, 2) appropriate pairing of mates, 3) breeding, and 4) replacement of less desirable breeding dogs with more desirable offspring.**

An unfortunate development in dog breeding is recommendations designed for the preservation of rare and endangered species. These involve outbreeding (reducing homozygosity and average inbreeding coefficients) and increasing minor gene or chromosome segment frequencies. Dog breeding requires diverse lines, and not a homogenized and randomized outbred population.

Outbreeding will not reduce the frequency of breed-related genetic disease, as the causative genes are already dispersed in the breed gene pool. Genetic selection for quality and against undesirable traits is what causes homozygosity and reduces the frequency of minor genes and chromosomal segments. Blindly selecting for them without knowing their effect could significantly reverse selection-based breed improvement. **Homozygosity is synonymous with pure breeds. It is not inherently correlated to impaired genetic health, and does not have to be artificially controlled.**

**Expanding populations with different breeders undertaking different types of matings and selecting on different lines, while monitoring and selecting against genetic disease provides for a healthy, diverse breed gene pool.**

Official genetic screening results should be made available to prospective breeders, and to the pet and breeding-stock purchasing public. This is facilitated through open genetic health databases like the OFA. It doesn't matter whether a breeder is a large commercial breeder, or only breeds once. It is no longer acceptable to say that genetic disease "just happens." In today's environment, not testing for documented breed-related hereditary diseases is irresponsible and unethical breeding. **Breed-specific pre-breeding health screening should become as universal as equine pre-purchase examinations.**

Breed maintenance and improvement requires;

- A large or expanding breed population
- Avoidance of the popular sire syndrome
- Avoidance of extreme phenotypes that can produce disease liability
- Monitoring of health issues in the breed
- Constant selection for quality and health

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## Misconceptions About Canine Degenerative Myelopathy

by [Casey Carl](#) on June 5, 2015 in [Ask The Vet](#)

If there is anything that I have learned in Paw Print Genetics' quest to prevent canine inherited diseases, it is that degenerative myelopathy (DM) is one of the most misunderstood diseases in the dog breeding community. This late-onset, progressive neurological disease is notorious for cutting affected dog's lives short and preventing them from living out their golden years. Unfortunately, sometimes there are misunderstandings in regard to what causes DM, what DM genetic test results mean, and whether or not DM occurs in certain breeds or bloodlines. I will attempt to address the confusing aspects of DM in order to empower people to eliminate this devastating disease from their blood lines.

## How Do DM Affected Dogs Present? How is it Inherited?

Dogs affected with DM typically begin showing signs of painless, hind limb weakness and loss of balance around 7 to 10 years of age. These dogs often have difficulty rising after lying down, will drag their hind feet while walking, and abnormally cross their legs while standing. As the disease progresses, affected dogs' front limbs also become progressively weaker until the dog becomes unable to walk. Affected dogs also may develop urinary and fecal incontinence as the disease progresses. Most dogs are euthanized within 6 months to 2 years of the initial clinical signs due to poor quality of life.

Though it is no longer the only known mutation responsible for causing DM in the dog, the vast majority of DM cases are caused by a particular [reported mutation](#) in the canine *SOD1* gene (another mutation, discussed below, has been identified to cause DM in the Bernese mountain dog). Though only described in 5 dog breeds in the initial publication, the same mutation has since been identified in over 100 different breeds. DM caused by this mutation is inherited in a recessive fashion with incomplete penetrance meaning that a dog must inherit two copies of the mutation (one from each parent) in order to develop DM. However, not all dogs that inherit two copies of the mutation will become affected. Dogs inheriting a single copy are considered carriers of DM and will not typically show signs of the disease, but can have affected puppies if bred with another carrier of the same mutation.

Interestingly, DM is the canine equivalent of Lou Gehrig's disease (amyotrophic lateral sclerosis). In fact, at least one documented cause of Lou Gehrig's disease is a mutation in the [human \*SOD1\* gene](#).

### Breed or Bloodline Susceptibility to DM

Out of all of the misconceptions I have heard regarding DM, the most common one is that DM does not occur in a particular breed or bloodline despite the presence of the common *SOD1* mutation in the breed. It is true that some dogs do not ever develop DM even when inheriting two copies of the mutation. This indicates to us that in some dogs, other genetic or environmental factors may play a role in producing a protective effect or slowing the progression of disease such that the disease does not clinically manifest during the dog's lifetime. However, the factors producing a protective effect are not known and therefore cannot be manipulated to prevent disease in future litters. Since dogs inheriting two copies of the disease can have clinically affected puppies even if they never show signs of the disease themselves, the only predictable way to prevent DM caused by the most common mutation is to genetically test breeding dogs and to selectively breed carriers to dogs that did not inherit the same mutation.

In addition to the issues related to incomplete penetrance of DM, my experiences in clinical veterinary practice made it apparent to me that people may not be aware of DM issues in their line. It was my experience that most owners of DM affected dogs never considered the fact that their dog may be suffering from an inherited issue. Instead, the signs of DM were often written off as arthritis, hip dysplasia, or simply "slowing down" due to age. Without an accurate diagnosis or veterinary discussion of genetics, few owners would feel compelled to contact the breeder of their



dog, given that they still knew how to contact them after the 7 to 10 years it normally takes for affected dogs to begin showing clinical signs. Without this vital information from owners, breeders could easily be in the dark when it comes to this condition in their line.

## Genetic Testing for DM

Another misconception about testing for DM is that people think that the current genetic testing available for the disease is not useful. While there are probably many reasons why this misconception exists, in addition to the issues related to incomplete penetrance, there are other complexities of DM that likely confuse people.

One troubling finding for some is that a small portion of DM affected dogs will not have the common *SOD1* mutation or only possess a single copy of the mutation when tested. The most likely explanation for this phenomenon is that there are other, unknown genetic mutations that are also responsible for causing this disease. If only testing for a single mutation, you may not know what other genetic mutations could be contributing to the condition. While it would likely make sense to most that a dog inheriting two copies of an unknown mutation could cause DM (and not show up on our current DM test) I have found that many people have a difficult time understanding how a dog could inherit a single copy of the common mutation, but still develop the disease. Let's examine the case of the Bernese mountain dog to help us understand what could potentially be happening in these cases.

In a [2013 case study](#), a DM affected Bernese mountain dog was described to have inherited a single copy of the most common *SOD1* mutation from one parent and a single copy of the Bernese *SOD1* mutation from its other parent. Since this dog received a mutated copy of the *SOD1* gene from each parent, it did not receive a normal copy of the gene to mask the effects of either mutation as in most recessively inherited conditions. This phenomenon, known as [compound heterozygosity](#) is well documented in humans. However, to my knowledge, the 2013 case report is currently the only one of its type in dogs. With discovery of additional disease associated mutations in dogs, it is likely that many similar examples will be found in our canine friends.

Despite the fact that there are likely other unknown mutations responsible for DM in our dogs, the originally described *SOD1* mutation is believed to cause the VAST MAJORITY of cases. Given this knowledge, genetic testing and selective breeding could completely eliminate degenerative myelopathy in most blood lines. Thus, justifying the use of the currently available genetic test for DM, despite its limitations.

## Help Wanted: Judges Selection Committee

Since the HPCA began, we've been trying to keep expenses as low as possible for Pumifest in order to increase our meager treasury. Most times we put out a solicitation to the AKC judges asking for a judge who would like to judge our breed who had (in priority order):

1. attended a Pumi judges seminar
2. had experience with the Pumi
3. judged a Pumik before
4. had experience with other herding breeds
5. seen a Pumi before 😊

In addition, we hoped that they would come for little or no expense. We were lucky to get judges who were local who wanted experience with the breed, most of whom came at no charge at all.

Now that the Pumi has entered regular status and we are holding AKC shows, it's time to have a more formal process for selecting our judge for the national specialty.

There are many different ways of selecting judge(s) for the national, but we are still limited by a few things:

1. We still don't have enough money to hire a judge to fly across the country and pay a \$200-\$500 judging fee plus expenses.
2. We don't know the location and date of each Pumifest until the prior year (hopefully that can change in the future), so we can't hire judges very far out.

The HPCA Board would like to form a Judges Selection Committee who will:

1. Research the various methods used by other Parent Clubs to select judges
2. Come up with a recommendation on how the HPCA should do this, and
3. Implement the approved process in time to select a judge for this year's Pumifest

Preferably this Committee would consist of members who have been involved in other parent clubs (but not a requirement). If you are interested, please contact Chris at [chris@abiquadogs.com](mailto:chris@abiquadogs.com).

## HPCA's First Regional Specialty Show

It was pretty amazing to have 35 Pumik from around the country at our first-ever regional specialty show, that was held December 15 in conjunction with the Sunshine State Herding Group's show. Our specialty was fourth in a series of all-breed shows that began on Tuesday. The entry the first 3 days was 27, 28, and



27. The 35 number also held over to the AKC show on Sunday. On Tuesday, the club also presented a judges seminar on the Pumi which included about 10 dogs for the judges to get their hands on.

The entry started off with Sweepstakes for both puppies and veterans, judged by Mrs. Donna Gilbert from Danbury, CT. Best in Puppy Sweeps was **Catskill Falusi Ficko**. Owned by Nanci Haddad Blackwell and Best of Opposite in Sweeps was **Szimfonia Amerikai Egyesiti A Szavak At A Zenevel**. Owned by



Ginger Butler. Ginger Butler owned both of the Veteran Sweeps winners. Best in Veteran Sweeps was **Csereznyeskerti-Csalfa Ugyes** and Best of Opposite Sex was **Vidam Kertesz Zeneje**.

Mrs. Barbara A. Pessina from Putnam Valley, NY judged the regular classes, Winners Dog was **Midnight Lady's Aki Legeny Akar Lenni** owned by Caroline Clegg & Maria Arechaederra and Winners Bitch was **Catskill Egri Estike**, owned by Cynthia Lundquist, Margretta Lundquist & Keith Moore,

In a huge field of 13 champion Pumik, Mrs. Pessina awarded Best of Breed to **GChB Abiqua Opal CA** owned by TH and Chris Levy and Best of Opposite Sex to **Ch Italianstyle Casper** owned by Dr Susan Schultz. Select Dog was **GCH Abiqua Jatekos CA BCAT**, owned by Jenny Cobb and Select Bitch **GCH Catskill Becsi Barsony**, owned by Ildiko Repasi & Laszlo Sulyok.

For those who like to get into the details, the catalog information follows. We are collecting the win photos from this show, so if you had a winner, please send a digital copy to Chris Levy.

## SWEEPSTAKES

JUDGE: Ms. Donna M. Gilbert

- PUMIK. Sweepstakes, Puppy, 6 & Under 9 Months Dogs.**
- 1/BSW 21 **CATSKILL FALUSI FICKO**. DN 49866704. 04-04-17  
By Pumitime's Ares - GCHB Catskill Apacatancos Anka PT CA.  
Owner: Nanci Haddad Blackwell, Gt Barrington, MA 012301951. Breeder: Ildiko Repasi & Laszlo Sulyok.
- A 33 **CATSKILL FURGE FALAT FRANKIE**. DN 49866702. 04-04-17  
By Pumitime's Ares - GCHB Catskill Apacatancos Anka CM2 PT CA.  
Owner: Maria Barnum, Clifton Park, NY 120651667. Breeder: Ildiko Repasi & Laszlo Sulyok.
- PUMIK. Sweepstakes, Junior, 12 & Under 18 Months Dogs.**
- A 35 **GCH ITALIANSTYLE CASPER**. DN47847301. 08-04-16  
By Galla-Hegyi Szimat - Szurkebarat Eca Hello-Kitty.  
Owner: Dr Susan Schultz, Stacyville, ME 047774036. Breeder: Aurora Lovison.  
(David Harper, Agent).
- 1 39 **MAYALU'S ETERNAL LAUGHTER**. DN--47786520. 11-25-16  
By Mayalu's Ares MX MXJ NF - Akinnaz Knixa CM BN OA OAJ CA.  
Owner: JoAnne Vogt & K Massey, Millstadt, IL 622601812. Breeder: Karen Beattie Massey.
- PUMIK. Sweepstakes, Puppy, 6 & Under 9 Months Bitches.**
- 2 16 **CATSKILL FINNYAS FANI**. DN 49866701. 04-04-17  
By Pumitime's Ares - GCHB Catskill Apacatancos Anka CM2 PT CA.  
Owner: Ildiko Repasi Laszlo Sulyok, Delhi, NY 13753. Breeder: Ildiko Repasi & Lszl Sulyok.
- 1/BOS SW 34 **SZIMFONIA AMERIKAI EGYESITI A SZAVAK AT A ZENEVEL**. DN 49564501. 04-04-17  
By Szimfonia Duna Keringo - MACH4 Szimfonia Amerikai Csilla TD MXB2 MJG2 T2B3.  
Owner: Ginger Butler, Longwood, FL 327506290. Breeder: Ginger Butler & Virginia Hayes.
- A 42 **CUIDADO YAHOO YOLO**. DN 50962302. 05-26-17  
By Pilisi-Kocos Jobarat Minek - Cuidado Wakeful Watchout.  
Owner: Cindy Cassidy, Lakewood Rch, FL 342408503. Breeder: Kate Pinches.
- PUMIK. Sweepstakes, Junior, 12 & Under 18 Months Bitches.**
- 1 30 **CH KARIZMA'S WALKING THE TIGHTROPE**. DN 46406303. 06-26-16  
By BlackSheep Caught In The Crossfire - Catskill Csendes Csobanka.  
Owner: Marilyn J Funke, Cumming, GA 300402007. Breeder: Marilyn J Funke.
- PUMIK. Sweepstakes, Veteran Sweepstakes, 7 Years & Over Dogs.**
- 1/BOS VSW 23 **CSERESZNYESKERTI-CSALFA UGYES**. DN 27181101. 07-02-09  
By Rona Reme Csacsogo Dzsigit - Cseresznyeskerti-Csalfa Ezust.  
Owner: Ginger Butler, Longwood, FL 327506290. Breeder: Aniko Gergely.
- PUMIK. Sweepstakes, Veteran Sweepstakes, 7 Years & Over Bitches.**
- 2 18 **FELALLO FULU FRUSKA**. DN 30517401. 04-12-10  
By Napos Gabor - Pilisi-Kocos Csipke.  
Owner: Ildiko Repasi, Delhi, NY 137532343. Breeder: Joel Kuhlmann.
- 1/BVS W 36 **VIDAM KERTESZ ZENEJE**. DN 20399504. 01-21-08  
By Galla-Hegyi Gomdoc - Yippy-Yi-Yea Aniko.  
Owner: Ginger Butler, Longwood, FL 327506290. Breeder: Brenda Edwards.

## REGULAR CLASSES

JUDGE: Mrs. Barbara A. Pessina

- PUMIK. Puppy, 6 & Under 9 Months Dogs.**
- 1 19 **CUIDADO YOMPING YOGI**. METPM70617HU. 05-26-17  
By Pilisi-Kocos Jobarat Minek - Cuidado Wakeful Watchout.



Owner: Patti Pitcock, Santa Fe, TX 775108607. Breeder: Kate Pinches.  
(Terri Galle, Agent).

- A**      **33**      **CATSKILL FURGE FALAT FRANKIE**. DN 49866702. 04-04-17  
By Pumitime's Ares - GCHB Catskill Apacatancos Anka CM2 PT CA.  
Owner: Maria Barnum, Clifton Park, NY 120651667. Breeder: Ildiko Repasi & Laszlo Sulyok.
- PUMIK. 12 & Under 18 Months Dogs.**
- 2**      **29**      **FELALLO-FULU OTSO**. 49938501. 12-15-16  
By Clark Junior Bohemia Vivace - Felallo-Fulu Maasik.  
Owner: Susan Reavis, Taylor, TX 765745405. Breeder: Joel Kuhlman.
- 1/R**      **39**      **MAYALU'S ETERNAL LAUGHTER**. DN--47786520. 11-25-16  
By Mayalu's Ares MX MXJ NF - Akinnaz Knixa CM BN OA OAJ CA.  
Owner: JoAnne Vogt & K Massey, Millstadt, IL 622601812. Breeder: Karen Beattie Massey.
- PUMIK. Bred by Exhibitor Dogs.**
- 2**      **9**      **BLUERIDGE VISTA EROD CGC**. DN 45527509. 03-22-16  
By Pattogo Parazs Buda CM RN NAJ CA CGC - Ch Cuidado Upbeat Ugro CM2 BN RN NA NAJ CA.  
Owner: Meir & Nancy Ben-Dror, Landrum, SC 293569527. Breeder: Meir Ben-Dror & Nancy Ben-Dror.
- 1**      **25**      **ABIQUA LARMAS**. DN 40954104. 09-02-14  
By Karpati-Kerito Ezis - Abiqua Gizella.  
Owner: TH & Chris Levy, Salem, OR 973059342. Breeder: TH & Chris Levy.
- PUMIK. Open Dogs.**
- A**      **7**      **ABIQUA OROSZLAN**. DN 45837806. 03-09-16  
By Galla-Hegyi Gomboc - Nearsefia Fuge.  
Owner: Jane Barney, Ivins, UT 847386699. Breeder: TH Levy & Chris Levy.
- 4**      **15**      **BLACKSHEEP CAUGHT IN THE CROSSFIRE**. DN 44685502. 08-01-15  
By Johnny The Italian Torch - Csunyatelepi Meseszep.  
Owner: Marilyn J Funke, Cumming, GA 300402007. Breeder: Linda Pitts & Stephanie Kaul.
- 3**      **21**      **CATSKILL FALUSI FICKO**. DN 49866704. 04-04-17  
By Pumitime's Ares - GCHB Catskill Apacatancos Anka PT CA.  
Owner: Nanci Haddad Blackwell, Gt Barrington, MA 012301951. Breeder: Ildiko Repasi & Laszlo Sulyok.
- 2**      **27**      **BLUERIDGE VISTA EGER**. DN 45527511. 03-22-16  
By Pattogo Parazs Buda CM RN NAJ CA CGC - Ch Cuidado Upbeat Ugro CM2 BN RA NA NAJ CA.  
Owner: Susan Reavis, Taylor, TX 765745405. Breeder: Nancy & Meir Ben-Dror.
- 1/W**      **37**      **MIDNIGHT LADY'S AKI LEGENY AKAR LENNI**. DN51238302. 05-22-16  
**(5**  
**Points)** By Csunyatelepi Almos - Arkosligeti Kocos Durcas.  
Owner: Caroline Clegg & Maria Arechaederra, Lebanon, OH 450369057. Breeder: Zsuzsa Somos.
- PUMIK. Puppy, 6 & Under 9 Months Bitches.**
- 3**      **34**      **SZIMFONIA AMERIKAI EGYESITI A SZAVAK AT A ZENEVEL**. DN 49564501. 04-04-17  
By Szimfonia Duna Keringo - MACH4 Szimfonia Amerikai Csilla TD MXB2 MJG2 T2B3.  
Owner: Ginger Butler, Longwood, FL 327506290. Breeder: Ginger Butler & Virginia Hayes.
- A**      **42**      **CUIDADO YAHOO YOLO**. DN 50962302. 05-26-17  
By Pilisi-Kocos Jobarat Minek - Cuidado Wakeful Watchout.  
Owner: Cindy Cassidy, Lakewood Rch, FL 342408503. Breeder: Kate Pinches.
- 2**      **44**      **HAROMSZEKI-GOBE EKES**. DN51318701. 04-13-17  
By Csunyatelepi Ebcson - Gyorgyudvari Hgobe Tucso.  
Owner: Vanessa Wilczak & Susan Lynch, Jacksonville, FL 322564642. Breeder: Blaga Zsolt-istvan.  
(Kelly Whitney, Agent).

- 1/R/BP 46 **HAROMSZEKI-GOBE ESTIKE**. DN51318901. 04-13-17  
By Csunyatelepi Ebscont - Gyorgyudvari Hgobe Tucso.  
Owner: Vanessa Wilczak & Susan Lynch, Jacksonville, FL 322564642. Breeder: Blaga Zsolt-Istvan.  
(Kelly Whitney, Agent).
- 4 50 **BLACKSHEEP'S NEVER GOING BACK**. DN 50918402. 06-09-17  
By Johnny The Italian Torch - Csunyatelepi Orveny.  
Owner: Merry Jeanne Millner & Tommy Millner, Monticello, GA 310641329. Breeder: Linda Pitts.  
***PUMIK. 12 & Under 18 Months Bitches.***
- 1 40 **FELALLO-FULU KILLIKKI**. DN 49938502. 12-15-16  
By Clark Junior Bohemia Vivace - Felallo-Fulu Maasik.  
Owner: Susan Reavis, Taylor, TX 765745405. Breeder: Joel Kuhlman.  
***PUMIK. Bred by Exhibitor Bitches.***
- 1 16 **CATSKILL FINNYAS FANI**. DN 49866701. 04-04-17  
By Pumitime's Ares - GCHB Catskill Apacatancos Anka CM2 PT CA.  
Owner: Ildiko Repasi Laszlo Sulyok, Delhi, NY 13753. Breeder: Ildiko Repasi & Lszl Sulyok.  
***PUMIK. American-Bred Bitches.***
- 1 12 **BLUERIDGE VISTA CSILLAG CGC**. DN 40308906. 08-02-14  
By Bohemia Vivace Ash CM CDX BN RE HSAS AZ MXJ OF CA - Cuidado Upbeat Ugro CM BM RN CA. Owner: Stanley Kovak, Wilton, CT 068972831. Breeder: Meir Ben-Dror & Nancy Ben-Dror.  
***PUMIK. Open Bitches.***
- 1/W/B W (5 Points) 10 **CATSKILL EGRI ESTIKE**. DN 45842306. 04-28-16  
By Kiskodmonos Csavargo Czango - Felallo-fulu Fruska Cm Hsasm.  
Owner: Cynthia Lundquist & Margretta Lundquist & Keith Moore, Clarkston, MI 483461336.  
Breeder: Catskill Pumi Ildiko Repasi & Laszlo Sulyok.
- 2 28 **CATSKILL CSENDES CSOBANKA**. DN 42964504. 05-23-15  
By Pustan Helmen Karhunsammal - Kaffogo Agyag CM PT.  
Owner: Marilyn J Funke, Cumming, GA 300402007. Breeder: Ildiko Repasi & Laszlo Sulyok.
- A 48 **CYPRESS BAY CZIGANY**. DN 45713202. 03-14-16  
By Kemences Barita Aranygaluska - Hegyvidek-Eke Himes.  
Owner: Jennifer Brisbois DVM, Dade City, FL 335257233. Breeder: Debra Thornton.  
***PUMIK. Best of Breed Competition.***
- 8 **CH CUIDADO UPBEAT UGRO CM2 BN RN NA NAJ CA**. DN 34471801. 04-28-12  
By Lamkar Apollo - Cuidado Romantic Rozsa. Bitch.  
Owner: Meir Ben-Dror & Nancy Ben-Dror, Landrum, SC 293569527. Breeder: Kate Pinches.
- 11 **GCH CATSKILL BATTYOGO BIKFIC CM2 TKI**. DN 39618102. 03-30-14  
By Nyirsegfia Penge - Felallo-Fulu Fruska. Dog.  
Owner: Marika Foreman, Somerville, NJ 088761441. Breeder: Ildiko Repasi & Laszlo Sulyok.
- 14 **CH BLUERIDGE VISTA ABRAND CM CGC**. DN 31452501. 07-26-11  
By Bohemia Vivace Ash CM CD BN RE HSAs AX AXJ NF - Cseri-Subas Edes. Bitch.  
Owner: Nancy A Nelson, Norwalk, CT 068502210. Breeder: Nancy Ben-Dror & Meir Ben-Dror.
- SEL (5-GC Points) 17 **GCH ABIQUA JATEKOS CA BCAT**. DN 37869104. 10-24-13  
By Ch Mariell De Marque Fabel Fylgia Barn - Ch Vidam Kertesz Gyongy. Dog.  
Owner: Jenny Cobb, Nashville, TN 372154409. Breeder: Chris Levy.
- SEL (5-GC Points) 20 **GCH CATSKILL BECSI BARSONY**. DN 39618107. 03-30-14  
By Nyirsegfia Penge - Felallo-Fulu Fruska CM HSAsM. Bitch.  
Owner: Ildiko Repasi & Laszlo Sulyok, Delhi, NY 13753. Breeder: Ildiko Repasi & Laszlo Sulyok.
- 22 **GCH CATSKILL CSUCSAI CSINSZKA**. DN 42964501. 05-23-15  
By Pustan Helmen Karhunsammal - Kaffogo Agyag CM PT. Bitch.  
Owner: Ildiko Repasi & Laszlo Sulyok, Delhi, NY 137532343. Breeder: Ildiko Repasi & Laszlo Sulyok.

- 24 **GCH KAFFOGO AGYAG CM PT CA**. DN 34808901. 03-08-12  
By Karvakorvan Basso "Borz" - Nyirsefia Piros. Bitch.  
Owner: Ildiko Repasi & Laszlo Sulyok, Delhi, NY 13753. Breeder: Anna Varadi.
- 26 **GCHB CATSKILL APACATANCOS ANKA CM2 PT**. DN 37594906. 07-31-13  
By Karvakorvan Basso - Felallo-Fulu Fruska CM HSAsM. Bitch.  
Owner: Ildiko Repasi Laszlo Sulyok, Delhi, NY 13753. Breeder: Ildiko Repasi & Laszlo Sulyok.
- 30 **CH KARIZMA'S WALKING THE TIGHTROPE**. DN 46406303. 06-26-16  
By BlackSheep Caught In The Crossfire - Catskill Csendes Csobanka. Bitch.  
Owner: Marilyn J Funke, Cumming, GA 300402007. Breeder: Marilyn J Funke.
- A 31 **GCH BLACKSHEEP CAPTAIN COURAGEUS AT SILHOUETTE**. DN 48413301. 10-27-16  
By Johnny The Italian Torch - Csunyatelepi Orveny. Dog.  
Owner: Kendall Cassidy & Cindy Cassidy & Linda Pitts, Lakewood Rch, FL 342408503.  
Breeder: Linda Pitts.
- A 32 **CH ABIQUA OCSI**. DN 45837803. 03-09-16  
By Galla-Hegy Gomboc CM2 PT CA - Nyirsefia Fuge CM. Bitch.  
Owner: Patti K & John Pitcock & Terri Galle, Santa Fe, TX 775108607. Breeder: TH & Chris Levy.
- OS 35 **GCH ITALIANSTYLE CASPER**. DN47847301. 08-04-16  
(5-GC By Galla-Hegy Szimat - Szurkebarat Eca Hello-Kitty. Dog.  
Points) Owner: Dr Susan Schultz, Stacyville, ME 047774036. Breeder: Aurora Lovison.  
(David Harper, Agent).
- B 38 **CH ABIQUA OPAL CA**. DN 45837802. 03-09-16  
(5-GC By GCH Galla-Hegy Gomboc CM2 PT CA - Ch Nyirsefia Fuge CM. Bitch.  
Points) Owner: TH & Chris Levy, Salem, OR 973059342. Breeder: TH & Chris Levy.

## Three-Day, All-Breed Pumi Agility Trial at SPDC

### Huge success despite challenges

A lot a work goes into putting on a three-day agility trial. In the case of our all-breed Pumi trial in Minnesota, we experienced added challenges.





The dates, February 2, 3 and 4, 2018, did not seem ominous when we picked them, but we eventually realized our first three-day trial coincided with SUPER BOWL LII weekend. U.S. Bank Stadium is only 10 miles away from our venue in St. Paul. Motel rooms that previously went for \$98 were going for \$500.



That meant we lost all of the out-of-towners who would have come to the trial. We found a motel for the judge, but I had to drive 1.5 hours from my home to pick him up at the motel and then drive him to our venue. That puts real meaning into the saying, "no room at the inn," when you have to travel an hour out from the Twin Cities to find affordable lodging.

Thank the heavens, our judge not only had a sense of humor, but he also designed great courses and played amazing Golden Oldies that had everyone singing and, yes, actually dancing while walking courses.

Some of the comments we received let us know every one had lots of fun with our happy-go-lucky atmosphere. We had three MACHs and one PACH, which added to the excitement. Jessica Larson, one of our committee members who recently joined HPCA, got her MACH with her Rott during the trial. See all of our MACH and PACH title winners above.

After all our expenses and tribulations, we made \$1,736 that can be used to help pay for putting on the Pumi Nationals.

Here's what I wrote to sum up our trial on Facebook:

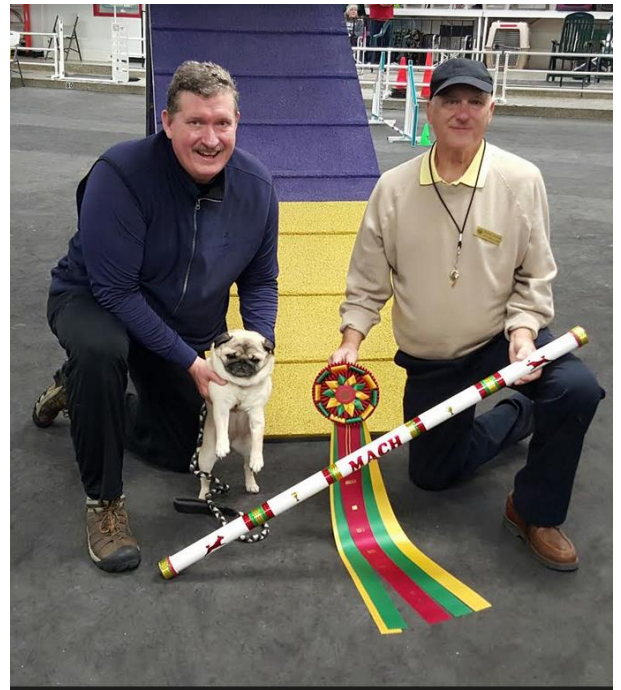
"The Trial of the Century," um, maybe I exaggerate.

1. Person on judge duty has to leave home at 5:30 a.m. to get judge to trial by 7 a.m.
2. Motel a dump—judge does not complain.
3. Weather even for Minnesota is crappy, snow and really cold—judge does not complain.





4. Judge decides his "R" on a run did not have enough merit and takes it off scribe sheet, unknowingly giving the handler with big happy golden a MACH that she has been dreaming about for months, tears and cheers—handler does not complain.
5. Beautiful little dog gives us all a thrill by getting her last PACH by beating the clock. She needed to be under 63 seconds and got a 62.94—handler does not complain.
6. Committee and Pumi Club member gets her MACH with her 70-pound, black-and-tan, "which we all know is an illegal color for a Pumi," and adding insult to injury looks a lot like a Rottweiler—Pumi Club does not complain.
7. Small little dog follows every little command, getting this one and this one and this one until he gets his handler yet another MACH—no one complains.
8. Food is great, worker are the best, course builders are regular worker ants, the dogs and people are all amazing, and the judge is just a plain old wonder and we love his music—and, well heck, none of us complained.
9. Judge leaves for Florida—judge does not complain.



This lucky competitor qualified in every run with her 2 dogs during the trial.

## HPCA Statement of Income and Expenses

For the Year Ended December 31, 2017

### Income:

Dues	\$ 3,370.00
Trophy Donations	\$ 382.60
Rescue Donations	\$ 100.00
Agility Trial	\$ 5,710.00
Pumifest 2017 (incl. Trophy Donations)	\$ 11,815.44
Misc.	\$ 160.84
Total Income	\$ 21,538.88

### Expenses:

Agility Trial - 2017	\$ 5,203.89
Agility Trial - 2018	\$ 300.00
Board Expense	\$ 1,354.39
Public Education	\$ 340.56
Pumifest 2017	\$ 11,700.00
Supported Entry	\$ 190.00
Health Conference Registration	\$ 500.00
Wickets	\$ 552.23
Bank/credit card and PayPal Fees	\$ 95.88
Total Expenses	\$ 20,236.95

Net Income \$ 1,301.93

## HPCA Statement of Financial Position

For the Year Ended December 31, 2017

### Wells Fargo

General Fund	\$ 20,646.86
Trophy Fund	\$ 1,197.60
Rescue Fund	\$ 4,174.50
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	\$ 26,018.96

### PayPal

General Fund	\$ 16.84
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Total Assets	\$ 26,035.80
Retained Earnings	\$ 26,035.80

## New Title Holders (July – December 2017)

### Agility

Agility Title	Dog Name	Date	Owner(s)
Agility Excellent	Karvakorvan Ilotulitus HSAs AX AXJ NF	10/14/2017	Taru Holinsworth
Agility Excellent	Mayalu's Beckett AX AXJ	9/10/2017	Barbara Miller & Karen Beattie Massey
Agility Excellent	Mayalu's Charbono BN RA AX AXJ XF CA BCAT	12/17/2017	Marla Marlow & Karen Beattie Massey
Agility Excellent	Mayalu's Corvina AX AXJ	8/22/2017	Ann Hodges
Agility FAST Excellent	Amerikai Lila Hercegno AX AXJ XF	9/9/2017	Dr. Nancy Bunin
Agility FAST Excellent	Mayalu's Charbono BN RA OA OAJ XF CA BCAT	10/22/2017	Marla Marlow & Karen Beattie Massey
Agility FAST Novice	Abiqua Mazsola NAJ NF	11/4/2017	Kathie Ogden
Agility FAST Novice	Mayalu's Daeira NF	10/7/2017	Christine Brew
Agility FAST Novice Preferred	Catskill Dongo Darazs Dzsessz Dallam NAP NFP	9/9/2017	Nancy Bunin
Agility FAST Open	Karvakorvan Ilotulitus HSAs AX AXJ OF	11/18/2017	Taru Holinsworth
Agility FAST Open	Mayalu's Charbono BN RA NA OAJ OF CA	9/22/2017	Marla Marlow & Karen Beattie Massey
Excellent Agility Jumper	Amerikai Lila Hercegno AX AXJ OF	7/9/2017	Dr. Nancy Bunin
Excellent Agility Jumper	Divine Lisie Bohemia Vivace OA AXJ	9/22/2017	Karen Lau
Excellent Agility Jumper	Mayalu's Beckett OA AXJ	8/20/2017	Barbara Miller & Karen Beattie Massey
Excellent Agility Jumper	Mayalu's Charbono BN RA OA AXJ XF CA BCAT	12/1/2017	Marla Marlow & Karen Beattie Massey
Master Agility Champion	MACH Abiqua Hetyke CM RN MXB MJS OF T2B2 CGC	12/31/2017	Kathie Ogden
Master Agility Champion 12	MACH12 Abiqua Duna Blu MXC3 PAD MJS4 PJD OJP MFG TQX T2B12	11/26/2017	Barbara E Miller
Master Agility Champion 4	MACH4 Szimfonia Amerikai Csilla TD MXB2 MJS2 T2B3	10/21/2017	Virginia Hayes
Master Agility Champion 6	MACH6 Greenfarms Ac Bristol Cobra MXS2 MJS2 T2B3	11/5/2017	Kellie Verrelli
Master Agility Excellent Preferred 3	MACH5 PACH Vidam Kertesz Kicsi Tucsok MXS2 MJS2 MXP3 MXPB MJP3 MJPB PAX MXF TQX T2B8	10/6/2017	Shirley Russell
Master Bronze Agility	Mayalu's Bj MX MXB MXJ NF	12/17/2017	Robyn Veenema & Russ Veenema
Master Bronze Agility 2	MACH3 Szimfonia Amerikai Csilla TD MXB2 MJS2 T2B3	7/29/2017	Virginia Hayes
Master Bronze Agility 2	MACH5 Abiqua Dinamo MXB2 MJG2 XF	7/2/2017	Christine Brew

Agility Title	Dog Name	Date	Owner(s)
Master Bronze Agility Preferred	MACH5 PACH Vidam Kertesz Kicsi Tucsok MXS2 MJS2 MXPB MJPB PAX MXF TQX T2B8	8/26/2017	Shirley Russell
Master Bronze Jumper	Cuidado Ultimate Urak AX MXJ MJB T2B CGC	12/10/2017	Kay Rackley
Master Bronze Jumper	Mayalu's Ares MX MXJ MJB NF	11/5/2017	Karen Beattie Massey
Master Bronze Jumper 2	MACH3 Abiqua Cicelle CD RE MXG MJB2 OF	9/23/2017	Karen Beattie Massey & Jim Massey
Master Century Agility 3	MACH11 Abiqua Duna Blu MXC3 PAD MJS4 PJD OJP MFG TQX T2B12	7/29/2017	Barbara E Miller
Master Excellent Jumper	Braviary Big Ben CD RA OA MXJ	8/6/2017	Karen Beattie Massey
Master Excellent Jumper Preferred 3	MACH5 PACH Vidam Kertesz Kicsi Tucsok MXS2 MJS2 MXPB MJP3 MJPB PAX MXF TQX T2B8	8/27/2017	Shirley Russell
Master Excellent Jumper Preferred 4	MACH5 PACH Vidam Kertesz Kicsi Tucsok MXS2 MJS2 MXP3 MXPB MJP4 MJPB PAX MXF TQX T2B8	12/17/2017	Shirley Russell
Master Gold Jumper 2	MACH4 Szimfonia Amerikai Csilla TD MXB2 MJG2 T2B3	10/22/2017	Virginia Hayes
Master Silver Agility 2	MACH5 Greenfarms Ac Bristol Cobra MXS2 MJS2 T2B3	8/12/2017	Kellie Verrelli
Master Silver Jumper	Abiqua Hetyke CM RN MX MXB MXJ MJS OF T2B2 CGC	11/24/2017	Kathie Ogden
Novice Agility	Amerikai Jar Jar Binks Senator Of Naboo NA NAJ	7/29/2017	Alice Holm
Novice Agility	Catskill Csipos Csuzli NA	10/8/2017	Pat Wright
Novice Agility	CH Blueridge Vista Duna PT NA CGC	9/24/2017	Nancy Ben-Dror & Meir Ben-Dror
Novice Agility	Mayalu's Carmenere NA OAJ	9/9/2017	Ronnie Cimprich
Novice Agility	Mayalu's Daeira NA NAJ NF	12/17/2017	Chistine Brew
Novice Agility Jumper	Abiqua Mazsola NAJ	9/30/2017	Kathie Ogden
Novice Agility Jumper	Amerikai Jar Jar Binks Senator Of Naboo NAJ	7/23/2017	Alice Holm
Novice Agility Jumper	Catskill Csipos Csuzli NA NAJ	10/29/2017	Pat Wright
Novice Agility Jumper	CH Blueridge Vista Duna PT NA NAJ CGC	11/25/2017	Nancy Ben-Dror & Meir Ben-Dror
Novice Agility Jumper	GCHB CH Catskill Apacatancos Anka CM2 PT NAJ CA	12/1/2017	Ildiko Repasi & Laszlo Sulyok
Novice Agility Jumper	Mayalu's Daeira NAJ NF	11/18/2017	Chistine Brew
Novice Agility Jumper Preferred	Blueridge Vista Derus NAP NJP	10/21/2017	Rena Barnett
Novice Agility Jumper Preferred	Catskill Dongo Darazs Dzsessz Dallam NAP NJP NFP TKA	12/16/2017	Nancy Bunin
Novice Agility Preferred	Blueridge Vista Derus NAP NJP	10/21/2017	Rena Barnett



<b>Agility Title</b>	<b>Dog Name</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Owner(s)</b>
Novice Agility Preferred	Catskill Dongo Darazs Dzsessz Dallam NAP	9/2/2017	Nancy Bunin
Open Agility	Mayalu's Charbono BN RA OA OAJ OF CA	10/8/2017	Marla Marlow & Karen Beattie Massey
Open Agility Jumper	Mayalu's Charbono BN RA NA OAJ OF CA	9/22/2017	Marla Marlow & Karen Beattie Massey
Open Agility Jumper Preferred	Blueridge Vista Derus NAP OJP	11/11/2017	Rena Barnett
Open Agility Preferred	Blueridge Vista Derus OAP OJP	12/9/2017	Rena Barnett
Preferred Agility Champion	MACH5 PACH Vidam Kertesz Kicsi TucsoK MXS2 MJS2 MJPB PAX MXF TQX T2B8	8/13/2017	Shirley Russell
Preferred Agility Excellent	MACH5 PACH Vidam Kertesz Kicsi TucsoK MXS2 MJS2 MJPB PAX MXF TQX T2B8	8/13/2017	Shirley Russell
Time 2 Beat	Szimfonia Beata BN RA AX AXJ T2B CA	9/1/2017	Catherine Ann Simon

### **Canine Good Citizen**

<b>CGC Title</b>	<b>Dog Name</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Owner(s)</b>
Canine Good Citizen	Blueridge Vista Erod CGC	9/7/2017	Meir Ben-Dror & Nancy Ben-Dror
Canine Good Citizen	Catskill Furge Falat Frankie CGC TKI	9/1/2017	Ms. Maria Barnum
Canine Good Citizen	CH Blueridge Vista Duna PT CGC	9/7/2017	Nancy Ben-Dror & Meir Ben-Dror
Canine Good Citizen	Cypress Bay's Csaba CGC	10/14/2017	George Abell & Rosemary Abell

### **Conformation**

<b>Conformation Title</b>	<b>Dog Name</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Owner(s)</b>
Champion	CH Abiqua Iharos CM2	7/22/2017	Chris Levy & Thomas H Levy
Champion	CH Abiqua Irisz CM	9/10/2017	Robin Hood
Champion	CH Abiqua Juci CM	8/12/2017	Patricia Frost & Thomas H Levy
Champion	CH Abiqua Larmas	12/16/2017	TH Levy & Chris Levy
Champion	CH Abiqua Odavisz	7/15/2017	Josephine A Gast & Rebecca Gast
Champion	CH Blacksheep Candy Man DCAT	8/16/2017	Ms. Carol L Ray
Champion	CH Blacksheep Captain Courageus At Silhouette	7/9/2017	Kendall Cassidy & Cindy Cassidy
Champion	CH Blueridge Vista Aproka CM RN CA	7/27/2017	Nancy Ben-Dror & Meir Ben-Dror
Champion	CH Blueridge Vista Duna PT	7/28/2017	Nancy Ben-Dror & Meir Ben-Dror
Champion	CH Catskill Egri Estike	12/16/2017	Cynthia Lundquist & Margretta Lundquist & Keith Moore
Champion	CH Italianstyle Casper	7/20/2017	Susan Schultz
Champion	CH Karizma N Trisong's Naughty By Nature	7/9/2017	Dr. Susan Schultz

<b>Conformation Title</b>	<b>Dog Name</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Owner(s)</b>
Champion	CH Karizma's Walking The Tightrope	7/29/2017	Marilyn Funke
Champion	CH Mayalu's Bartek	7/22/2017	Linda Barrett & Karen Beattie Massey
Champion	CH Midnight Lady's Aki Legeny Akar Lenni	12/15/2017	Caroline Clegg & Maria Arechaederra
Champion	CH Starmountain East On Evike	12/3/2017	Kelly Sternberg & James Sternberg D.V.M.
Champion	CH Twister's Goblin	10/22/2017	Sandy Cumpian & Fred Cumpian
Grand Champion	GCH CH Abiqua Jatekos CA BCAT	7/30/2017	Jenny Cobb
Grand Champion	GCH CH Abiqua Opal CA	10/21/2017	Thomas H Levy & Chris Levy
Grand Champion	GCH CH Blacksheep Captain Courageus At Silhouette	7/22/2017	Kendall Cassidy & Cindy Cassidy
Grand Champion	GCH CH Catskill Bocskoros Baka Otto	7/22/2017	Martha Fisher
Grand Champion	GCH CH Catskill Csucsai Csinszka	7/30/2017	Ildiko Repasi & Laszlo Sulyok
Grand Champion	GCH CH Italianstyle Casper	10/21/2017	Susan Schultz
Grand Champion Bronze	GCHB CH Abiqua Opal CA	12/13/2017	Thomas H Levy & Chris Levy

## **Coursing**

<b>Coursing Title</b>	<b>Dog Name</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Owner(s)</b>
BCAT	Catskill Csendes Csobanka BCAT	11/5/2017	Marilyn Funke
BCAT	Catskill Dumas Dio BCAT	10/22/2017	
BCAT	Catskill Dumas Dio BCAT	7	Norman Pruski
BCAT	CH Pilisi-Kocos Jeles CM2 CAA BCAT	10/21/2017	Thomas H Levy & Chris Levy
BCAT	Mayalu's Charbono BN RA OA OAJ XF CA BCAT	7	Thomas H Levy & Chris Levy
BCAT	Mayalu's Charbono BN RA OA OAJ XF CA BCAT	10/22/2017	Marla Marlow & Karen Beattie Massey
BCAT	Mayalu's Charbono BN RA OA OAJ XF CA BCAT	7	Massey
Coursing Ability	Amerikai Magyar Ukko OA OAJ CA CGC	9/21/2017	Ms. Ginny L Hayes
Coursing Ability	Amerikai Magyar Ukko OA OAJ CA CGC	11/12/2017	
Coursing Ability	Catskill Dumas Dio CA BCAT	7	Norma Pruski
Coursing Ability	CH Abiqua Odavisz CA TKA	9/21/2017	Josephine A Gast & Rebecca Gast
Coursing Ability	CH Abiqua Opal CA	7/30/2017	Thomas H Levy & Chris Levy
Coursing Ability	CH Vidam Kertesz Gyongy CM2 CA	9/21/2017	Thomas H Levy & Chris Levy
Coursing Ability	GCH CH Catskill Csucsai Csinszka CA	9/30/2017	Ildiko Repasi & Laszlo Sulyok
Coursing Ability	GCH CH Cypress Bay's Balint At Kardarka CA	10/7/2017	Theresa Ann Weber & Maria Arechaederra & Neil Berger
Coursing Ability Excellent	CH Pilisi-Kocos Jeles CM2 CAX BCAT	12/3/2017	Thomas H Levy & Chris Levy

## **Herding**

<b>Herding Title</b>	<b>Dog Name</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Owner(s)</b>
Herding Started Course A Sheep	Karvakorvan Ilotulitus HSAs OA AXJ NF	9/24/2017	Taru Holinsworth

## Obedience

Obedience Title	Dog Name	Date	Owner(s)
Beginner Novice	Amerikai Magyar Ukko BN OA OAJ CA CGC	10/6/2017	Ms. Ginny L Hayes
Beginner Novice	Mayalu's Charbono BN RA NA NAJ NF CA	9/21/2017	Marla Marlow & Karen Beattie Massey

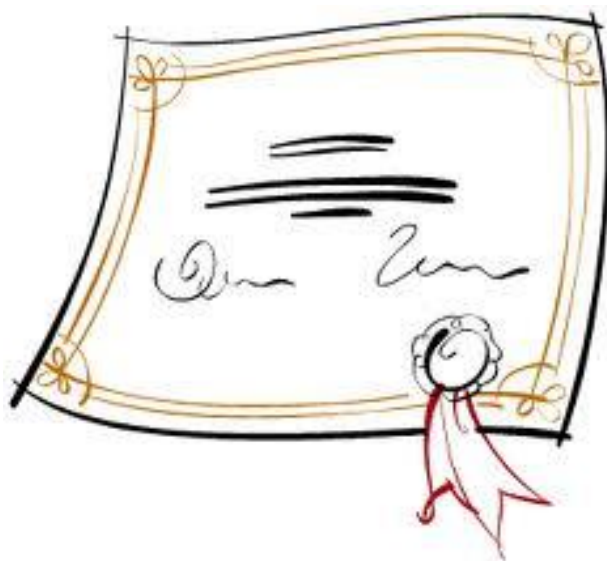
## Rally

Rally Title	Dog Name	Date	Owner(s)
Rally Novice	Abiqua Kiveteles RN	9/21/2017	Claire Isabel Fuller Bivins & Lynn Fuller
Rally Novice	Amerikai Magyar Ukko BN RN OA OAJ CA CGC	10/7/2017	Ms. Ginny L Hayes
Rally Novice	Catskill Buszke Bubajos The Sky Is the Limit RN OA NAJ NF CGC	7/8/2017	Sandra Mainardi
Rally Advanced	Catskill Buszke Bubajos The Sky Is the Limit RA OA NAJ NF CGC TKA	9/30/2017	Sandra Mainardi

## Trick Dog

Trick Title	Dog Name	Date	Owner(s)
Trick Dog Novice	Acsinnadrattas Acél TKN	7/19/2017	Marika Foreman & Paul Foreman
Trick Dog Novice	Amerikai Csillafeny Of Szimfomia TKN	10/24/2017	Janet Rentrop & Dale Rentrop
Trick Dog Novice	Catskill Buszke Bubajos The Sky Is the Limit RN OA NAJ NF CGC TKN	7/10/2017	Sandra Mainardi
Trick Dog Novice	Catskill Dongo Darazs Dzsessz Dallam NAP NFP TKN	11/9/2017	Nancy Bunin
Trick Dog Novice	Catskill Drotos Dugacs CGCU TKN	12/21/2017	Julia Bennett
Trick Dog Novice	CH Abiqua Odavisz TKN	9/14/2017	Josephine A Gast & Rebecca Gast
Trick Dog Novice	Cypress Bay's Csaba CGC TKN	11/29/2017	George Abell & Rosemary Abell
Trick Dog Novice	GCH CH Catskill Battyogo Bikfic CM2 TKN	7/19/2017	Marika Foreman
Trick Dog Novice	Szimfonia Dallam Dixie TKN	7/11/2017	Priscilla Hoobler & M Robbins Church
Trick Dog Novice	Szimfonia Diva TKN	8/9/2017	Julie Ann Mayeda
Trick Dog Intermediate	Acsinnadrattas Acél TKI	7/21/2017	Marika Foreman & Paul Foreman
Trick Dog Intermediate	Amerikai Csillafeny Of Szimfomia TKI	10/27/2017	Janet Rentrop & Dale Rentrop
Trick Dog Intermediate	Catskill Buszke Bubajos The Sky Is the Limit RN OA NAJ NF CGC TKI	7/11/2017	Sandra Mainardi

Trick Title	Dog Name	Date	Owner(s)
Trick Dog Intermediate	Catskill Dongo Darazs Dzsessz Dallam NAP NFP TKI	11/10/2017 7	Nancy Bunin
Trick Dog Intermediate	Catskill Furge Falat Frankie TKI	8/16/2017	Ms. Maria Barnum
Trick Dog Intermediate	CH Abiqua Odavisz TKI	9/15/2017	Josephine A Gast & Rebecca Gast
Trick Dog Intermediate	Cypress Bay's Csaba CGC TKI	12/11/2017 7	George Abell & Rosemary Abell
Trick Dog Intermediate	GCH CH Catskill Battyogo Bikfic CM2 TKI	7/21/2017	Marika Foreman Priscilla Hoobler & M Robbins Church
Trick Dog Intermediate	Szimfonia Dallam Dixie TKI	7/31/2017	
Trick Dog Advanced	Catskill Buszke Bubajos The Sky Is the Limit RN OA NAJ NF CGC TKA	7/12/2017	Sandra Mainardi
Trick Dog Advanced	Catskill Dongo Darazs Dzsessz Dallam NAP NFP TKA	11/13/2017 7	Nancy Bunin
Trick Dog Advanced	CH Abiqua Odavisz TKA	9/18/2017	Josephine A Gast & Rebecca Gast
Trick Dog Advanced	Cypress Bay's Csaba CGC TKA	12/12/2017 7	George Abell & Rosemary Abell
Trick Dog Performer	Cypress Bay's Csaba CGC TKP	12/28/2017 7	George Abell & Rosemary Abell





## 2017 Year-End Top-Ranking Pumik in AKC Events

### Pumi Ranking By Agility Powerscore for 2017

Measuring average yards per second in AKC Agility Masters Level courses in 2017.

#### 12" Regular

	Power Score	Dog	Owner	JWW YPS	STD YPS
1	12.20	Mayalu's Corvina AX AXJ	A Hodges	4.67	3.76

#### 16" Regular

	Power Score	Dog	Owner	JWW YPS	STD YPS
1	15.91	Kemences Barita Almaspite CM RN MX MXB MXJ MJB NF	T Hall/K Beattie Massey	6.09	4.91
2	15.03	Mayalu's Ares MX MXJ NF	K Beattie Massey	6.24	4.40
3	14.98	Zu-Zu — MACH6 Vidam Kertesz Sugar RN MXS2 MJG2 OF T2B2	T Hall	5.65	4.67
4	14.94	Mayalu's Charbono BN RA AX AXJ XF CA BCAT	M Marlow/K Beattie Massey	6.58	4.18
5	14.90	Cuidado Ultimate Urak AX MXJ MJB T2B CGC	K Rackley	5.85	4.52
6	14.71	Klipsan Nagano AX AXJ	T Hall	5.57	4.57
7	14.61	Bella — MACH3 Abiqua Cicelle CD RE MXG MJB2 OF	K Massey/J Massey	6.04	4.28
8	14.61	Mayalu's Artemis MX MXJ	K Beattie Massey	5.73	4.44
9	14.13	Mayalu's Aphrodite MX MXJ XF	R Veenema/R Veenema	5.42	4.35
10	13.98	Amerikai Lila Hercegno AX AXJ XF	N Bunin	5.36	4.31

#### 12" Preferred

	Power Score	Dog	Owner	JWW YPS	STD YPS
1	10.93	Cricket — MACH5 PACH Vidam Kertesz Kicsi Tucsok MXS2 MJS2 MXP3 MXPB MJP3 MJPB PAX MXF TQX T2B8	S Russell	4.01	3.46

## AKC TopDogs<sup>sm</sup> in Agility MACH Competition for Pumik

Considering Events Held Between January 1, 2017 and Ending December 31, 2017

Rank	Name	Sex	Points	Dbl Qs
1	MACH Abiqua Hetyke CM RN MX MXB MXJ OF T2B3 CGC	B	1325	16
2	MACH4 Szimfonia Amerikai Csilla TD MXC MJS2 T2B3	B	962	16
2	MACH6 Greenfarms Ac Bristol Cobra MXB2 MJS2 T2B3	D	899	20
4	MACH5 Abiqua Dinamo MXB2 MJG2 XF	B	847	20
5	MayaLu's BJ MX MXJ NF	D	677	17
6	Cuidado Ultimate Urak AX MXJ T2B CGC	D	650	2
7	Mayalu's Aphrodite MX MXJ XF	B	472	5
8	MACH12 Abiqua Duna Blu MXG3 PAD MJB4 PJD OJP MFG TQX T2B12	D	403	12
9	Mayalu's Artemis MX AXJ	B	384	3
10	MACH2 Abiqua Cicelle CD RE MXG MJC OF	B	233	4
11	Kemences Barita Almaspite CM RN MX MXB MJJ NF	D	233	2
12	Mayalu's Ares MX MXJ NF	D	213	1
13	Catskill Bazajgos Borsika AX AXJ NF	B	179	0
14	MACH6 Vidam Kertesz Sugar RN MXS2 MJG2 OF T2B2	B	151	2
15	Karvakorvan Ilotulitus HSAs AX AXJ OF TKN	D	131	2
16	MayaLu's Corvina AX AXJ	B	122	0
17	Amerikai Lila Hercegno AX AXJ XF	B	102	0
18	Klipsan Nagano AX AXJ	B	97	1
19	MayaLu's Charbono BN RE AX AXJ XF CA BCAT	D	89	1
20	Braviary Big Ben CD RA OA AXJ	D	83	0
21	Mayalu Apollo's Race To The Stars AX AXJ OF	D	79	0
22	Szimfonia Beata BN RA AX AXJ CA	B	70	0
23	MayaLu's Beckett AX AXJ	D	53	0
24	Szimfonia Cigany Zenezs RN AX AXJ NF CGC	D	22	0
25	Devine Lisie Bohemia Vivace OA AXJ	B	20	0

## CONFORMATION

### Group & BIS Points

From Canine Chronicle stats from January 1, 2017 up to and including events on December 31, 2017.

		Sex	Points	BIS	RBIS	Grp 1	Grp 2	Grp 3	Grp 4	BOB
1	GCH Abiqua Matyas CM3 <i>A Adam/P Lyster/T Levy/C Levy</i>	D	1289			2		4	3	31
2	GCHB Abiqua Opal CA <i>T Levy/C Levy</i>	B	633					3	5	50
3	GCH Italianstyle Casper <i>S Schultz</i>	D	464				2	3	2	47
4	CH Midnight Ladys Aki Legeny Akar Lenni <i>C Clegg/M Arechaederra</i>	D	291					1	2	4
5	CH Abiqua Ocsi <i>P Pitcock/J Pitcock/T Galle</i>	B	263				1		2	4
6	GCHS Catskill Apacatancos Anka CM2 PT NAJ CA <i>I Repasi/L Sulyok</i>	B	149					1	1	29
7	GCH Abiqua Jatekos CA BCAT <i>Jenny Cobb</i>	D	120					1		15
8	CH Cypress Bays Boglarka At Kadarka <i>M Arechaederra</i>	B	93						1	11
9	GCH Cypress Bays Balint At Kardarka CA <i>T Weber/D Thornton/N Berger</i>	D	85						1	7
10	GCH Blacksheep Captain Courageus At Silhouette <i>K Cassidy/C Cassidy/L Pitts</i>	D	66							27

### NATIONAL OWNER-HANDLED SERIES (NOHS)

From Canine Chronicle stats from October 12, 2016 up to and including October 11, 2017.

		Points	
1	GCHB CH Abiqua Opal CA	390	Thomas H Levy Chris Levy
2	GCH CH Catskill Battyogo Bikfic CM2 TKI	315	Marika Foreman
3	CH Abiqua Odavisz CA TKA	260	Josephine A Gast Rebecca Gast
3	GCH CH Abiqua Jatekos CA BCAT	260	Jenny Cobb
5	GCH CH Catskill Csucsai Csinszka CA	190	Ildiko Repasi Laszlo Sulyok
6	Blueridge Vista Eger	75	Susan Reavis
6	CH Mariell De Marque Fabel Fylgia Barn CM	75	Thomas H Levy Chris Levy
8	Blacksheep Caught In The Crossfire	70	Jenny Ergle Marilyn J Funke
9	Pilisi-Kocos Nomad	65	Ingela Grahn
9	GCH CH Blueridge Vista Count Pushkin CM	65	Aida Dungan Robert Dungan Katerina Pankov

## Breed Points

Canine Chronicle stats from January 1, 2017 up to and including events on December 31, 2017.

		Sex	Points	BIS	RBIS	Grp 1	Grp 2	Grp 3	Grp 4	BOB
1	GCHB Abiqua Opal CA <i>T Levy/C Levy</i>	B	212					3	5	50
2	GCHS Catskill Apacatancos Anka CM2 PT NAJ CA <i>I Repasi/L Sulyok</i>	B	84					1	1	29
3	GCH Blacksheep Captain Courageus At Silhouette <i>K Cassidy/C Cassidy/L Pitts</i>	D	66							27
3	GCH Italianstyle Casper <i>S Schultz</i>	D	66				2	3	2	47
5	GCH Abiqua Jatekos CA BCAT <i>Jenny Cobb</i>	D	60					1		15
6	GCH Abiqua Matyas CM3 <i>A Adam/P Lyster/T Levy/C Levy</i>	D	47			2		4	3	31
7	GCH Catskill Csucsai Csinszka CA <i>Ildiko Rapasi &amp; Laszlo Sulyck</i>	B	32					1		8
8	CH Abiqua Ocsi <i>P Pitcock/J Pitcock/T Galle</i>	B	22				1		3	20
9	GCH Blueridge Vista Count Pushkin CM <i>A Dungan/R Dungan/K Pankov</i>	D	21							4
10	CH Karizma N Trisongs Naughty By Nature <i>S Schultz</i>	B	17							3
10	GCH Cypress Bays Balint At Kardarka CA <i>T Weber/D Thornton/N Berger</i>	D	17						1	7

## FAST CAT

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			SPEED
1	Acsinnadrattas Acel TKI	D	26.67
2	Mayalu's Charbono BN RE AX AXJ XF CA BCAT	D	26.09
3	Catskill Dumas Dio CA BCAT	D	25.99
4	CH Pilisi-Kocos Jeles CM2 CAX BCAT	B	25.44
5	GCHS CH Catskill Apacatancos Anka CM2 PT NAJ CA	B	24.97
6	GCH CH Abiqua Jatekos CA BCAT	D	23.76
7	Catskill Csendes Csobanka BCAT	B	23.59
8	CH Blacksheep Candy Man DCAT	D	21.90
9	Abiqua Jegvirag CA	B	20.94
10	Karizma's Masquerade Of Innocence	D	20.52



## OBEDIENCE

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Rank	Dog Name	Sex	Points	Owners
1	OTCH Greenfarms Wright Stuff CM UDX4 OM8	D	15	Lucille R Berninger

