

The Bull Terrier Club of Victoria Inc.

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Bully News



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From the Secretary

Hi Members,

Our AGM has now been held and I am pleased to announce that Neil McCracken was awarded a life membership of the BTCV, congratulations Neil! The committee also has a full house again. I thank Tony DiFresco, and Neil and Kaye McCracken for coming on board and to our outgoing committee Adam Combes and all positions up for nomination were filled by incumbents. I think that this stability has been good for the club however we always welcome new ideas, new blood and constructive criticism. If you at all want to become more involved, please contact me. I am still keen on finding an Editor for the newsletter to reduce my workload.

After the AGM, our president Lance Stephenson resigned due to work and personal commitments. I would like to thank Lance for his time in the role, his experience, ideas and hard work were much appreciated. Lance was very much orientated towards giving back to the members and we can thank Lance for the free pizza and beer post shows which we will continue! Sherri Johnston will fill the role of President until the next AGM.

In this newsletter you will find our upcoming May show schedule, a single day show and we hope that you will support our two judges, neither have judged for our club before.

In this newsletter I have included some articles on breed preservation that I think are quite interesting. It is difficult to accept the decline of our purebreds. Many of our older members recall the days when our club had 500 members and could attract 150 animals just to a members comp. Show entries have dropped all over the country and internationally and we are competing with breeders selling designer pups at outrageous prices. Dogs Victoria hasn't done us any favours this past year either, having to fight to retain its applicable organisation status and the poor press on a few unscrupulous registered breeders didn't help the 'registered breeder' cause.

When speaking with our November judge Stephen Wheatley, I mentioned that several years prior we would have had over 100 entries in the show to which he advised me that in England it was fairly standard nowadays to only get about 20 bullies to a show. To judge a show with

anywhere near the numbers we had in November was considered a great entry in the UK! Sad to think that the breed is in decline even in its country of origin. But it appears many breeds are in decline, particularly the terriers, you only need to attend an all breeds show to see this.

As a result, the club has had to make some hard decisions. Such as reducing to one show weekend a year but we want to focus on making that a great event. We have also had to move our dates a fair bit to avoid clashing with other clubs, we are still trying to get that right.

With lots of people not able to show or breed from their animals, or opting to buy their dog from back yard breeders our committee are trying to focus on converting those pet owners to perhaps investing in a pedigree animal next time. Bully walks are one of our avenues to converting these people. They are extremely popular and for the most part, help us to fund our major shows. We are starting to use these events to ask people, "If you really love Bull Terriers, why didn't you buy a pedigree one?" "Have you ever thought about getting more involved?" They need to understand why it is important and how by buying a non-pedigree animal, they just pushed the breed a little further into the endangered category.

I would ask all breeders out there to question if they are a breeder or a breed preservationist. One of the articles I have included mentions that the panda bear outnumbers many of our terrier breeds! If we don't want to see Bull Terriers on the "endangered" list, how are we encouraging the next generation of breeders into the ring?

The Bull Terrier Club and committee facilitates the shows, attends the expos and promotes the breed as best it can but it is not up to ten people to do this. It is up to every individual breeder to propagate the breeders of the future. So rather than ridicule people starting out, take them under your wing and mentor them, and as the older breeders start to decline, think about writing down your knowledge and sending articles to the club for the newsletter so we can pass that knowledge and experience to others. Let's start being positive instead of negative and remembering that despite our differences, we are here first and foremost for the breed and not for anything else.



Cheers Deb



Championship & Specialty Shows

5th May 2018 - K.C.C. Park

655 Westernport Highway Skye

Entries close 17th April 2018

5th May Judge: Mrs. Patricia Whincop (QLD)

Championship Show

5th May Judge: Mr. Paul Haseldine (SA)

Speciality Show

Championship Show to commence at 9.00am

Specialty Show to commence not before 1-00pm

Enquiries to: Mr David Hirst, 03 5998 7493 **ALL entries to be ONLINE.**

No late entries will be accepted. Closing date 17th April 2018.

Enter ONLINE at www.showmanager.com.au

All enquiries to the Show Secretary on 03 5998 7493 please no calls after 8pm.

Members Entry for each show:	Non-Members entry for each show:
Entry = \$20.00	Entries = \$24.00
Baby Puppy = \$10.00	Baby Puppy = \$10.00

* Combined Catalogue: \$15.00 (includes both shows)

Classes to be judged in order: Dogs 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 10, 11,

Bitches 1A, 2A, 3A, 4A, 5A, 10A, 11A,

Trophies and Sashes for all "In Show" awards.

R.O.M. Points available for both Champ. & Speciality shows

Please note **no** challenge points will be available at the Speciality show.

This Event will be held in accordance with VCA Regulations, Codes, Policies & Procedures (Effective 14 February 2013) Please note Rule - 7.5.25 No handler or exhibit shall enter the judging ring wearing or bearing any item which identifies by name, prefix, position or distinctive style an exhibit, exhibitor, breeder, sponsor or award; exhibit numbers excepted.

The Bull Terrier Club of Victoria Inc. reserves the right to refuse any entry.

The truth about Pet Cancer, how to heal and protect your pets (3 DVD)

The Dog Cancer Series Rethinking the Canine Epidemic (4 DVD)

Has your dog been diagnosed with Cancer, Epilepsy, diabetes or inflammation - you really need to see these series.

Produced by Ty Bollinger in his quest to help millions of canines with these problems, Ty has accumulated very prominent professionals from oncology, metabolic, nutrition, genetics, and mitochondria research fields, all very qualified in their particular field. Only 5% -10% of cancers are hereditary, the other 90% -95% are environmental and nutritional. Did you know that All cancers are the same cells, no matter which species or where the cancer is? And they all feed off carbohydrates and glucose. Did you know that you won't see wild animals with cancer and other chronic diseases? Ever really thought about why?

According to the experts gathered, dry dog food (and canned dog food) are the main causes of these cancer cells, convenient – yes – nutritional NO. The whole concept of cancer is explained in the simplest of terms and how the mitochondria changes and develops into cancer cells and over generations of dogs feed exactly the same food day in and day out changes the mitochondria genetic genes.

Changing the diet to a raw meat, raw vegetables and raw fruit - will change the metabolic make up to stop feeding the cancer cells the glucose that they feed on. Cancer is a metabolic disease – therefore it can be managed with metabolic and nutritional therapies – same in animals as in humans – Dr. Thomas Seyfried.

These three DVDs also go into the environmental toxins that our animals are exposed to, which really makes you think about your home and all the toxins that abound there. The doctors also talk about vaccines and what is in them that can also causes many changes in our dogs – not always for the betterment of the dog. Misinformation and lack of knowledge on species specific diets is, unfortunately, taught from veterinary schools. Vets need to view these DVDs, not listen to the commercial food companies that supply their clinics.

Rodney Habib produced the second set of DVDs with various professionals from holistic backgrounds and oncologists – The Dog Cancer Series – Rethinking the Canine Epidemic. One quote from the series from Dr. Doug Knueven “What would you think if you went to your own doctor and he plopped a bag of people chow on the table and he said – this is all you need to eat for the rest of your life. And you know this is going to be so easy because you can bypass the fruits and vegetables, bypass the fresh meats. Just go to the people chow isle, pick out your favourite flavour. And for breakfast you take a scoop pf people chow

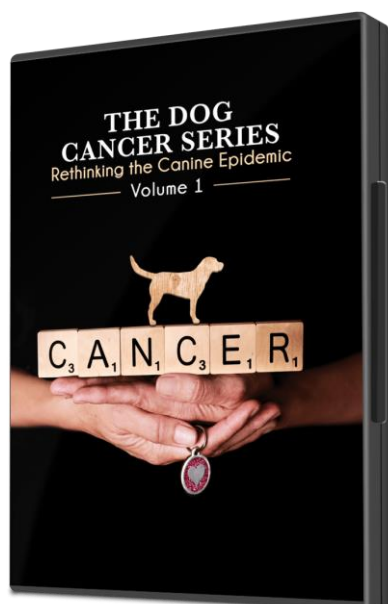
and you eat it, and lunch a scoop, for the rest of your life”. . Do you think you will get all the nutrition you need out of a bag of people chow?

Watch how the top brands of dog kibble are analysed and demonstrated how 45% to 56% contain sugar – carbohydrates. Glucose feeds cancer cells, our dog food companies are helping you feed cancer cells. Watch how the ketogenic diet is explained.

Ron and Shannan Penna have founded KetoPet sanctuary, a 53 acre ranch in Texas where dogs that have been diagnosed with cancer and were sitting on death row in pounds around America waiting to be euthanized, now have a second chance at life in their new forever home. KetoPet was formed in 2014 and now houses a Pet Scan machine and a hyperbaric oxygen chamber, all dogs are put on a ketogenic diet from day one and scanned to plot where the tumour/s are, then re scanned after 60 days and 120 days. The outcomes with this diet have been outstanding. Because every dog's diet is controlled and bloods are tested each week and scanned regularly, the data collected is ground breaking in the fight against cancer. The dogs at the sanctuary have freedom to run and play and be loved from all those that work at the centre. Their lives have been turned around with natural diet and exercise.

When you think about it, take your canine friends back to nature – what they would eat in the wild. A variety of different kills, taking out the vitamin rich organs first and stomach contents which would more than likely have vegetable matter and grains, then the meat muscle and bones last of all. Now the wild canine may not have another feed for a day or two, so the body utilises all the nutrients from the last feed. Result – healthy canine.

The VCA library now has three sets of these informative DVDs, donated by the producers and also Kerry Paws





If you wish to visit the website, or order a copy of your own please see link below:

<https://go2.thetruthaboutcancer.com/pets/order/>

Important Announcement from BTCA Health Committee Chair, Susan Murphy - Genetic testing for Lethal Acrodermatitis (LAD)

I am pleased to announce some very exciting news for both Bull Terrier and Miniature Bull Terriers that we have been long awaiting. As you know the Bull Terrier Club of America through their Donor Advised Fund at the AKC Canine Health Foundation has supported the research being done on Lethal Acrodermatitis along with many other research groups in the United Kingdom and Europe with good results. Soon we will have a test available to determine the affecteds, carriers and clear of our two breeds.

I have known for several months that the mutant gene had been located and that a test was going to be forthcoming soon, but I was sworn to secrecy. As you read this, please put your hands together and give these researchers and all involved a big round of applause. I am including the report I received just this morning from Margret Casal. It's been a long road, but needless to say, I am over the moon!

Susan Murphy
Chairman, BTCA Health Committee
Liaison, AKC Canine Health Foundation
December 2017
Animal Health Trust, United Kingdom

Genetic testing for Lethal Acrodermatitis (LAD)

We are pleased to inform you about research progress regarding lethal acrodermatitis (LAD) in Bull Terriers and Miniature Bull Terriers. After intensive research in an international consortium we identified the causative genetic defect for LAD.

LAD is inherited with monogenic autosomal recessive inheritance. Thanks to the results of our study, genetic testing for LAD will become possible at specialized laboratories. This will help to avoid the non-intentional breeding of affected puppies. Starting January 15th, 2018, the genetic test will be offered by Animal Health Trust (<http://www.ahtdnatesting.co.uk/>)

Antagene (www.antagene.com)

Genoscooper Laboratories (www.mydogdna.com, offering later in spring 2018)

PennGen (<http://research.vet.upenn.edu/pennngen>)

Explanation of the genetic test result:

There are two copies of each gene in the genome of a dog. One copy is inherited from the father and one from the mother. If a trait is inherited in an autosomal recessive manner, it means that an animal will only get the disease if it receives defective gene copies from both the father and the mother. Thus,

to produce an affected puppy, both parents (father and mother) must carry the defective gene. However, the carriers with only one copy of the defect will not be affected themselves.

Lethal acrodermatitis (LAD) - Autosomal recessive inheritance		
Genotype: normal/normal (clear)	Genotype: normal/LAD (carrier)	Genotype: LAD/LAD (affected)
This animal does not carry the genetic defect and has no risk of developing LAD. The dog cannot pass the genetic defect to its offspring.	This animal carries one copy of the defective gene. The dog has no risk of developing LAD. However, this defect will be passed to its offspring with a probability of 50%. Such an animal should only be mated to a clear animal.	This animal carries two copies of the defective gene and is affected by LAD. Most LAD affected dogs will have to be euthanized before they reach one year of life due to poor quality of life.

Carriers have a 50% probability of passing the defective gene copy to their offspring. If two carriers are mated, there is a risk that 25% of the offspring will be affected by LAD. Therefore, the mating of two carriers should be strictly avoided (also legally forbidden in many countries).

Carriers do not have to be categorically excluded from breeding. However, carriers should only be mated to clear dogs so that no homozygous affected puppies will be produced.

Breeding Advice:

We do not yet have an accurate estimate for the frequency of the LAD genetic defect in Bull Terrier or Miniature Bull terrier populations. However, the defect is recessive, which means that all dogs can be bred from safely, but carriers (and genetically affected dogs) should only be bred to DNA tested, clear dogs. About half the puppies from any litter that has a carrier parent will themselves be carriers and any dogs from such litters that will be used for breeding should themselves be DNA tested prior to breeding so appropriate mates can be selected.

Congratulations!!

To Bernadette Marshall (Wakatang Bull Terriers) who was awarded her judging licence and ROM status late 2017. Thanks to all those who came to the judging test night and dragged out their dogs and bitches after work to help her pass. It is hard for many as these test nights are held during the week and quite often go for a few hours meaning it can be a late night, but it is important we help out to get more Bull Terrier Specialist judges out and about. We hope to see Bernadette in the ring very soon.

CPR FOR DOGS

Dear Bull Terrier Club of Victoria,

Thank you very much! We would not have been able to conduct this research project without the support from all of your members. We greatly appreciate all of your efforts and time dedicated to our research projects aiming to improve the well-being of our furry companions!

Below is a Dropbox link to the copy of the CPR tutorial video that is up to date and aligned with current CPR guidelines as recommended by the American College of Veterinary Emergency and Critical Care (ACVECC) Reassessment Campaign on Veterinary Resuscitation (RECOVER) initiative.

Dropbox link:

<https://www.dropbox.com/s/g2c39eqoz2mosfh/Emergency%20Vet%20Instructs%20-%20Learn%20to%20Perform%20CPR%20on%20a%20Dog%20in%205%20minutes.mp4?dl=0>

We wish your club, its members and pets all the very best. Take care and have a nice day!

Sincerely,
Ruby Ng and Manuel Boller

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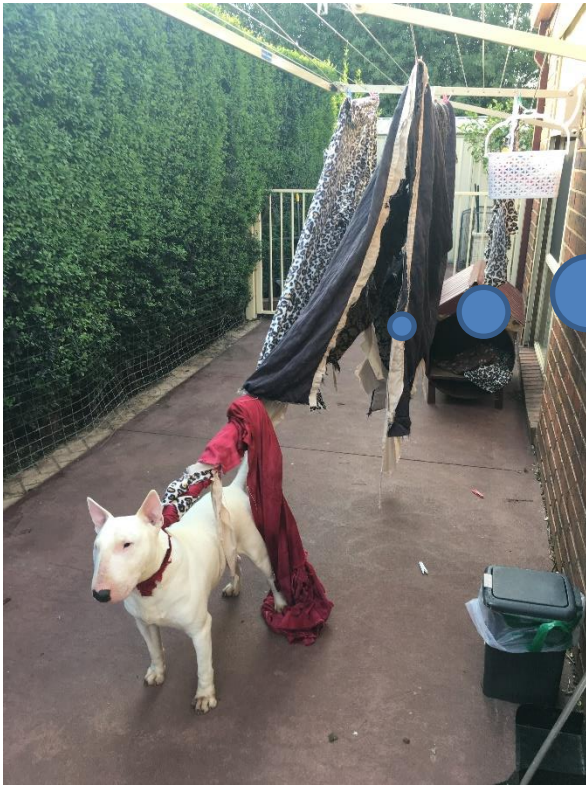
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Every ingredient matters

Bull Terrier Darwin Awards



Hmm...putting my head through the hole in this old dog blanket and walking around in circles maybe wasn't such a good idea, I wonder when Mum will be home??



Man....Who turned out the lights?



No comment...gotta concentrate here...



Do you think they'll know I was in the bin again??

BTCV INC. BULLY WALK



IT'S THAT TIME AGAIN, TIME FOR ANOTHER BULLY WALK FOLKS & THIS TIME WE ARE HEADING OUT TO SUNBURY! THE NOOK LOOKS LIKE A LOVELY PARK WITH WATER FOR THE DOGS TO HAVE A DIP. BBQ & DRINKS FOR PURCHASE & OUR PROMO STOCKED WITH GOODIES. THERE WILL BE RAFFLE DRAWN ON THE DAY, I AM SURE YOU WILL ALL LOVE WHATS UP FOR GRABS FOR 1ST PRIZE.

DATE: 25TH FEB 18

TIME: 11AM

WHERE: THE NOOK, VAUGHAN ST, SUNBURY VIC

ALL DOGS MUST BE ON LEASH, EVERYONE IS WELCOME, WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU ALL

FROM DOGS VICTORIA – The latest on the Domestic Animals Amendment Bill.

Dear Affiliate

After a marathon debate that took place over two days, the Victorian Government today passed the Domestic Animals Amendment (Puppy Farm and Pet Shops) Bill 2016 (the Bill). This is the amended version of the original 2016 Bill and incorporated a number of important changes negotiated by Dogs Victoria over the last 12 months.

While we would have liked to have seen further changes made to parts of the Bill that we believe would have improved welfare, the fact remains that this is a far cry from what Dogs Victoria breeders were faced with in 2016 under the original version of the Puppy Farm Bill. The 2016 version of the legislation stripped Dogs Victoria of its Applicable Organisation status for the purposes of breeding, required anyone who had a litter to become a Domestic Animal Business (DAB) and inflicted a commercially based set of breeding standards that had little to do with welfare, but would be impossible for most members to achieve.

Moving on to now, the revised Bill will still mean that pet shops can no longer sell puppies and kittens unless they come from rescue or a shelter, and it essentially ends large scale commercial breeding of domestic animals. It also increases powers for statutory authorities investigating animal welfare and cruelty cases and increases a number of associated penalties.

For Dogs Victoria members, for the most part what exists now will remain in force, although there are a number of important changes. We recommend all members with a breeder's prefix familiarise themselves with the detail by reading the [government fact sheets](#).

For the vast majority of Dogs Victoria breeders however, the only real change you will see is the need to register on a new state based breeder registry as a 'recreational breeder' should you wish to advertise a litter or dog/s for sale or to give away. This *Pet Exchange Register* will not come into effect for another 18 months, and further information will be given to Dogs Victoria members on this new system once more is known.

Please note that unlike the 2016 version of the Bill, these new laws do not require Dogs Victoria breeders to adhere to the government's Code of Practice for the Operation of Breeding and Rearing Businesses (2014), unless you are over the 10 fertile female limit. If you have 11 or more fertile females, you will need to be a DAB and follow the government's Code. Put simply, this means that if you are raising your puppies in the home and you have 10 or fewer fertile females, the Bill does not change that for you.

Unlike the 2016 version of the Bill, the new legislation keeps our Applicable Organisation status intact, although we will be required to report to Government on areas such as our work around compliance and ensure we keep our Codes, Rules and Regulations at a high standard. We understand that transparency is important for accountability, both to our members and the community, if we are to keep receiving the privileges that come with our Applicable Organisation status.

Dogs Victoria will now move to discuss the implementation of the new legislation with both the Government and the Department, keeping in mind as always, that we need to achieve the best possible outcome for our members and our dogs. We are also aware that the Government is looking to review and revise other domestic animal related laws and regulations, starting with the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act (POCTAA) 1986, and it's vital that Dogs Victoria is involved as a major stakeholder in this process.

Over the coming weeks and months we will provide members with further information on the new legislation, but any members who have concerns about the impact of the new legislation or have questions are welcome to contact us via our dedicated email address at legislation@dogsvictoria.org.au, or telephone our member information hotline 0478 714 954 during business hours.

With regards,

Tim Adams

Chief Executive Dogs Victoria

FROM THE NATIONAL COUNCIL

Finalisation of NBTCa 99/17 -

Motion: that "all Notices of Motions received by the NBTCa Secretary be forwarded to all member clubs within 14 days of receipt from the motioning club".

Motion: that "all information received by the NBTCa from the ANKC must be forwarded to all member clubs within 14 days of receipt and include all information (including referring NOM's, attachments, statistical information) receive in respect to the matter. The NBTCa Secretary shall also includes reference in the email to the item which requires attention, action or response and provided the details of any specific action required by clubs in the email".

Both motions carried and will be effective 26th November 2017



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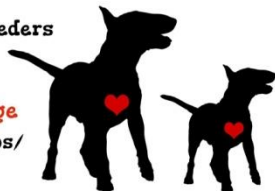
Note to Members and Breeders:

The Bull Terrier Club have DNA swab kits available for all breeders or owners of Pedigree bull terriers wishing to submit DNA samples from their animals to Animal Health Trust. The sample kits include a contact details form and five DNA swabs. A copy of pedigree and any health information is required with DNA submission. Kits may be taken home for completion and posting back to the UK. It is relatively cheap to post the kits and as the samples are stable once taken, they can be sent by general mail. We can also post them out to any breeders interested in providing this valuable DNA to researchers who have the best interests of our breed at heart.

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minutes

Meeting	Venue	Time	Date
Annual General Meeting	KCC PARK – Classic Room	11:30pm	2 nd October 2016
Chair	Meeting Opened		
Les Greenall	11:50am		

Attendees – Adam Combes, Les Greenall, Leigh Pride, David Hirst, Lance Stephenson, Matt Poplar, Jen Woodsell, Sherri Wakefield, Deb Patterson

Apologies – Alison Sutcliffe, Jacqui Smith

Item	Discussion
1	Voting on Committee Positions Lance Stephenson nominated from the floor for President Moved: Jen Woodsell Seconded: Leigh Pride All in favour Lance Stephenson chairs the meeting Vice President, Treasurer, 1 x Committee position incumbents all re-standing (nomination forms received). Vice President – Sherri Wakefield Treasurer – Jen Woodsell Committee - Matt Poplar No other positions taken from floor
2	Review of previous minutes:- The minutes of the previous AGM held on 27 th November 2015

Moved: Jen Woodsell

Seconded: Les Greenall

3

Treasurers Report & Audit Report

Statement of revenue and expenditure for 2015-2016 financial year presented

Unpresented Cheques

Term deposit

Moved: Jen Woodsell

Seconded: Matt Poplar

4

National Council Business (if any) Nil

5

Judges nominations and voting:

Some discussion regarding procedure, lack of nominations and possible nominations, no nominations received.

Chair

Meeting Closed

12pm

Lance Stephenson



HERITAGE DOG BREEDS IN 2018

[Tam Cordingley](#), CSI Instructor, [SAAB](#) Member

Dogs have served mankind since the wolf domesticated itself to us eons ago and primitive man first began to selectively breed dogs 30,000 years ago.

In fact, the dog was the planet's first domesticated species ⁽¹⁾ and today, there are "responsible breeders" all over the internet. The problem is that many dog breeders are deemed "good breeders" by people who are not now and never have been breeders, good or bad.

When this was first written 5 years ago, there was hysteria about HSUS/APHIS. Now as 2018 begins, we have still not gotten in front of restrictive legislation that robs us of our history. Where is the younger generation, the Heritage Dog breeders who should devote their time, money, and energy to preserving their future rather than largely ignoring the situation and chasing ribbons? What is the future of purebred dogs overall?⁽²⁾



Mr. George Gall's (Hempstead, L. I.)
"CLYDESDALE LOUIS"

THE CLYDESDALE OR PAISLEY TERRIER

Origin.—Both are considered as one breed, and supposed to be of Skye Terrier extraction.

Uses.—A vermin dog, but better as a pet.

Five years ago I had a radical proposal. I felt we should recognize those who support our right to enjoy the company of family-reared, carefully created purebred dogs. I said let's give breeders a certification for doing a really good job preserving the quality and value of heritage breeds. AKC decided to award Breeders of Merit but the title doesn't apply to preserving breeds.

Purebred dogs were brought to America by those who fought for our personal freedom and

liberties. The family-raised purebred is part of our culture and we must protect

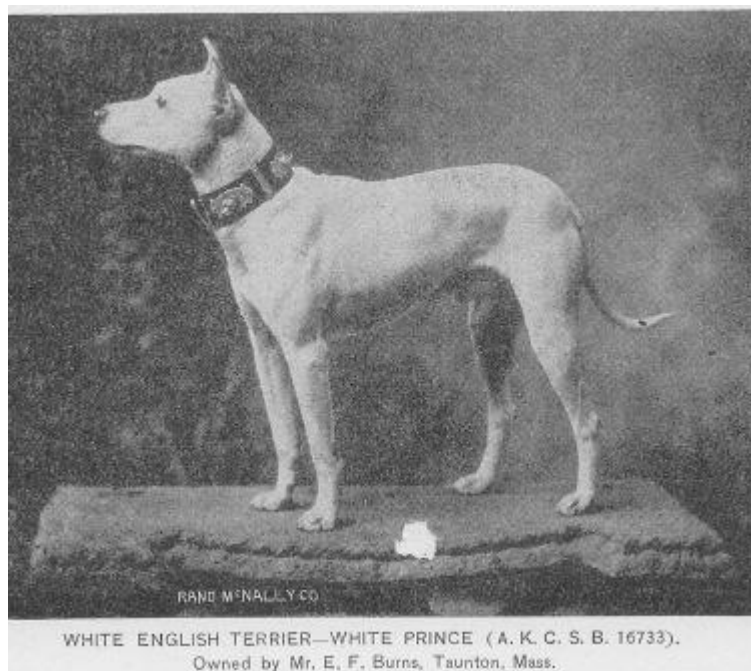
that heritage. It is the purebred dog that guards our livestock, protects our cities and airports, leads the blind, the handicapped, medical science, and most of all, represents our culture of individualism.

The British Kennel Club has an Accredited Breeder Scheme. Our AKC still hasn't warmed to the idea. I know there's the *AKC Breeder of Merit* award but its primary requirement is to register every puppy in the litter. I believe people dedicated to preserving our past and protecting our future can do this on our own. The time has come for Americans to preserve a big chunk of our heritage. The American Quarter Horse Association and the Morgan Horse Association united to take care of what American breeders created and we must do the same.

The Heritage Dog Breeders Of America (HDBA) sounds better than ever. It isn't too late to start. An HDBA Program might look something like this:

The HDBA member will always strive to adhere to the same principals as the Breeder Of Merit and the AKC or UKC standard of the breed. The Heritage Breed's character, instinct, physical and mental soundness must be paramount and must be preserved.

Heritage Dog Breeder Members breed for good health, temperament, and type, i.e. for the betterment of the breed, not just for production of puppies for money.



An HDBA Member will not breed a female on more than two consecutive seasons, skipping at least one season before breeding again. Not more than 5 litters or two cesarean deliveries in a lifetime.

All Heritage dogs will be maintained in clean and spacious quarters. The dogs will be given suitable exercise and groomed appropriately for their breed. No fleas or ticks will be evident. Appropriate health checks for common problems within the breed will be done.



The HDBA Member will sell his pups with contracts stating that the breeder must be notified first if the dog needs to be rehomed.

The Heritage Dog Breeder will prove the quality of his/her breeding stock by achieving a conformation, performance title and/or obedience degree on all breeding stock. Public exhibition of a Heritage Dog Breed puts its structure, brains,

and temperament on public display. Just as important, even a basic obedience degree requires one-on-one time with the dog.

This is good for the dog and good for the owner. Time spent training and conditioning signifies a devotion to dogs outside of the whelping box. Our breeding dogs need recreation and there is nothing they relish more than your full attention. Training fulfills this requirement.

The requirements for membership in the Heritage Dog Breeders Of America are what any dedicated dog breeder can and should achieve.

Qualifications need not be complicated. In addition to the above, a Heritage Dog Breeder does more than pay lip service to “fighting bad legislation”. Every HDBA Member regularly gives their time and expertise to local politicians or by contributing time to or funding a national legislative group.



No animal rights group or government entity would be able to find fault with HDBA members or to justify spending government resources to regulate such leaders in the dog community.

http://www.thedogplace.org/ShowPlace/Heritage-Dogs_Cordingley-126.asp



Saving Breeds

January 10, 2017 January 10, 2017 [National Purebred Dog Day®](#)

Think “designer breeds” are something new?

In one country, dog fighting had become very popular, so much so that people involved in the

activity imported foreign breeds to create a better fighting dog. Indigenous breeds were deteriorating and at risk of being lost forever. Much like today, money was at the root of interbreeding of those fighting dogs, that, and pride.

The country was Japan, and the year was 1915. Dog fighting was particularly popular in the Odate province, and in 1915, Odate’s mayor started a campaign to stop the interbreeding and preserve the original Japanese breeds. To his credit, legislation was passed in 1919 to protect the Japanese Dogs in the province of Akita, and to have these dogs declared as a protected natural monuments of Japan. The cause was championed by Dr. Watase Shozaburo in 1920, but wasn’t until 1931 that several breeds were finally declared as natural monuments. They were the Akita, Kai Inu, Shikokou, Tosa Inu, Shiba Inu, Kishu, and Ainu.

The Japanese saw a problem and raised awareness of it, and these days, England’s Kennel Club has a [list of vulnerable breeds](#). We applaud those efforts because extinct is forever, and many dog breeds are in as much need of protection as were Panda Bears, which, by the way, currently outnumber [Skye Terriers](#), [Otterhounds](#), and [Dandie Dinmonts](#). What can any of us do to help these breeds? Certainly, being aware of their situation and sharing the information with others is a start. We also think that when thinking about a new breed for yourself, consider one of the breeds on the Vulnerable Breeds list. Do your homework, research the breed thoroughly, talk with other owners, try to meet some dogs, visit the breed clubs, and if the breed is a good fit, think about including one in your life. You won’t just be an owner, you’ll be a conservationist. Just a thought.

Image of [Monika Paruzel](#) with her painting of a Tosa Inu.

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