

BUYER BEWARE

The popularity of the Shilohs is rising Dramatically - The waiting lists are growing - Good puppies are in BIG demand - - but SHORT supply!!

* The stage is set for "Puppy mills " to start popping up EVERY WHERE!!!

DON'T BE FOOLED INTO PAYING A HIGH PRICE FOR A POOR QUALITY ANIMAL!!

- 1) YOU MUST EDUCATE YOURSELF ABOUT THIS BREED - - READ EVERYTHING YOU CAN GET YOUR HANDS ON!!
- 2) ASK THE RIGHT QUESTIONS.

A) DO NOT ASK FOR "PET QUALITY" unless you want a POOR QUALITY DOG, that has a lot of potential problems (soft ears, bad hips, small size, unstable temperament etc.)

BE HONEST WITH THE BREEDER - - - If you are looking for an excellent "PET" and do not plan to show or breed - - SAY SO!! The Breeder can then sell the "BEST" show prospects to someone that plans to show and you can still get an EXCELLENT QUALITY DOG that may be only 99% perfect. (a "pet" is usually LESS then 50% perfect!!)

B) Ask the breeder why they did this particular breeding.

* LISTEN CAREFULLY!! If they tell you that these are the "Greatest" dogs on earth - RUN - DON'T STOP!!

C) Ask the breeder to tell you about the FAULTS in this line - what kind of problems these dogs may produce in the future etc.

D) Ask the breeder about the SIRE & DAM'S LITTERMATES- what colors were they? coats? temperament? size? hips? etc.

E) Then ask about the sire and dams parents and grandparents!! If the breeder "BALKS" it means that they don't know the answers!!

F) Ask the breeder if this is a "repeat" breeding and what the other litter turned out like! - where are they - then call the owners...

* YOU HAVE A RIGHT TO ASK FOR REFERENCES!!

* NEVER BUY A PUP FROM ANYONE THAT CANNOT GIVE YOU ALL OF THE NAMES OF THE PEOPLE THAT PURCHASED PUPS FROM THEIR LAST LITTER!!

* A common mistake many people make is to ask for pictures of the pups - - this will not tell you that THESE PICS ARE REALLY OF THOSE PUPS etc. Same with Sire and Dam - Pictures can be very easily falsified - DO NOT rely on pictures!!

G) Ask the breeder - how many dogs they own!! How many litters they produce per year! How many are finished CHAMPIONS! How many have R.O.M. points? How many have B.C.R. certificates etc.

* THEN VERIFY THIS INFORMATION WITH THE CCP!!

People can "tell you anything" make them PROVE IT!!

Keep in mind that even "imperfect" dogs can produce FANTASTIC progeny, when PROPERLY bred - - but YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO KNOW WHY THE SIRE OR DAM OF YOUR PUP IS NOT A CHAMPION!!

** Championships are VERY EASY to attain - even owner handled

most dogs finish in only a few "weekends"!! Travel expenses, motels, meals, entree fees etc can run anywhere from \$200 - \$1000 when compared against the much higher price of a puppy - it would be foolish NOT to finish a dog.

Example: A good dog can easily finish for less then \$1,000, if its a male - he will be receiving LARGE STUD FEES (\$2,500 - \$3,500) for years to come!! If its a female - her first litter of pups will be worth ATLEAST \$500 - \$2,000 more per pup!!

Therefor when you look at a litter of pups from a NON-Champion breeding -- you need to ask WHY!!

AT THE VERY LEAST THE DOG SHOULD BE CHAMPION POINTED!! This will prove that the dog "could" have finished, if shown!!

There are unusual circumstances that sometimes prevent a dog from attaining his or her Championship but that should be the acception--- NOT THE RULE!!!!

3) FINALLY INSIST on seeing copies of the BCR Certificates for both Sire & Dam and Grandparents if possible!!

When you feel comfortable with the breeder, and your future puppy do ONE MORE THING---

4) Order a pedigree (atleast 5 generation) on this litter directly from the CCP so that you can DOUBLE CHECK all of the info the breeder gave you-- Don't forget there is ONE "breeder" out there that is putting PHONEY papers on his mutts, and selling them for \$1500 EACH-- AS SHILOH'S!! MAKE SURE THAT THE PUPPY YOU PLAN TO PURCHASE WILL RECEIVE REAL- LEGAL- ISSR PAPERS!!

YOU NEED TO WRITE TO: THE COMPLETE COMPUTER PLACE
702 REIN DR. KILLEEN, TX 76542

*** INVESTIGATE B-4-U INVEST!! ***

When your satisfied that you were given an HONEST representation of your puppy --- MAIL YOUR CHECK OUT ASAP!!

P.S. If you have followed all of the steps listed above and STILL have questions you can call the Breed Warden (TINA BARBER) at (716)-493-5747 and ask her to help you, personally.

PINEBARRENS EXTRAVAGANZA

JUNE 4 & 5, 1994
MULLICA HILLS, NJ

What a great time we had in the historic little area of Mullica Hills. The weather was perfect for a dog show. We had a pretty good turn out for this event. WARRIOR and Billy, DOMINO and Mike, ASHER and the Casey family, THOR, PANDA, TERRA, and Shelly, ROCKY and Lee,

STAR and the Cohen Crew, FANG, Tina, and of course Me Wendy. The United States Neapolitan Mastiff Club hosted this event and we would like to thank them for a job well done. There was an Agility Demonstration (looks like lots of fun owners, why don't some of you try it!!!), Canine Good Citizen Tests, Temperament Testing, and a German Style Arv Rottweiler Show. Every one went home with something, and a good time was had by all.



FANG says "I want to watch Lassie"



ASHER and Terry