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Pembroke Welsh Corgi Club of the Rockies Rescue
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In memorium
James Douglas Rihanek
4/5/51 to 5/17/16

On the Cover

Longtime member, Jim Rihanek. We will miss you.

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Final Issue

With this 20th issue of the Rescue Newsletter, it is the final issue I will be compiling for the club.

After 8 years of doing the rescue newsletter and 15 years prior doing the regular newsletter, it is time for me to step down. Someone with more experience in this type of work can take the ball and run with it. If you are interested, please contact me!

Rescue will carry on, of course, and I thank all of you for your continued support.

Lynn Kaemmerer

Can my dog eat this?

YES

BANANAS



Rich in potassium and vitamin C

BLUEBERRIES



High in antioxidants

KIWIS



Good source of vitamin C and potassium

PINEAPPLE



Try frozen for a cool treat!

STRAWBERRIES



High in fiber and antioxidants

YES, BUT . . .

APPLES



. . . don't let him eat the seeds!

LEMONS



. . . he may not like the bitter taste.

ORANGES



. . . they're high in natural sugar; give in moderation.

PEACHES



. . . remove the pit; it can cause intestinal blockage.

WATERMELON



. . . remove the rind first!

NO

AVOCADOS



Can cause vomiting

CHERRIES



Can cause cyanide poisoning in large quantities

GRAPES

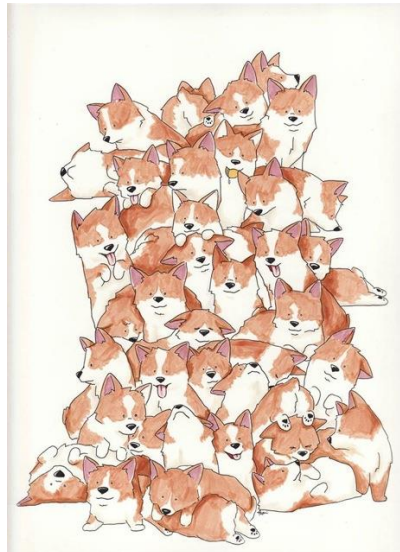


Can cause kidney failure

RAISINS



Can cause kidney failure





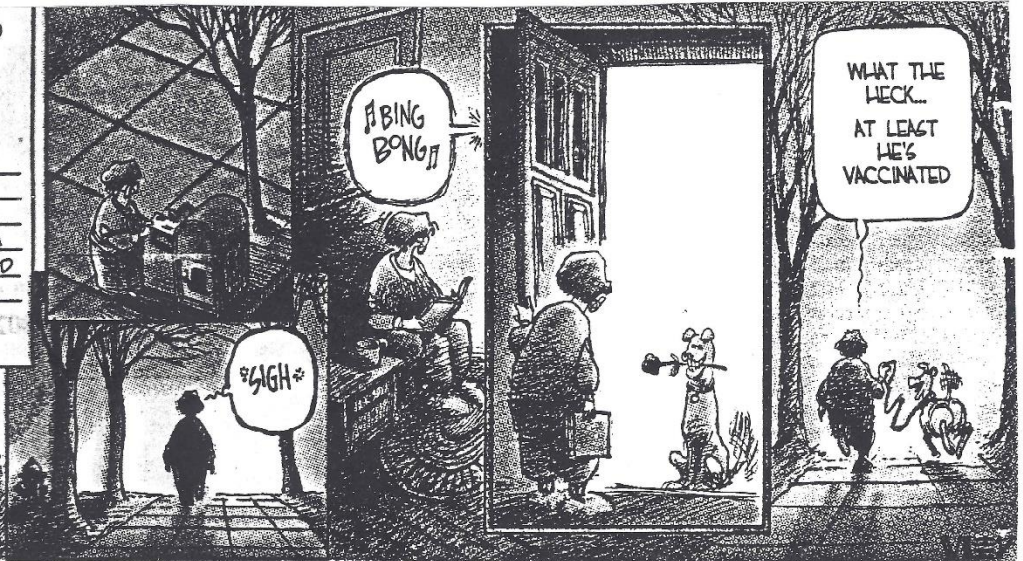
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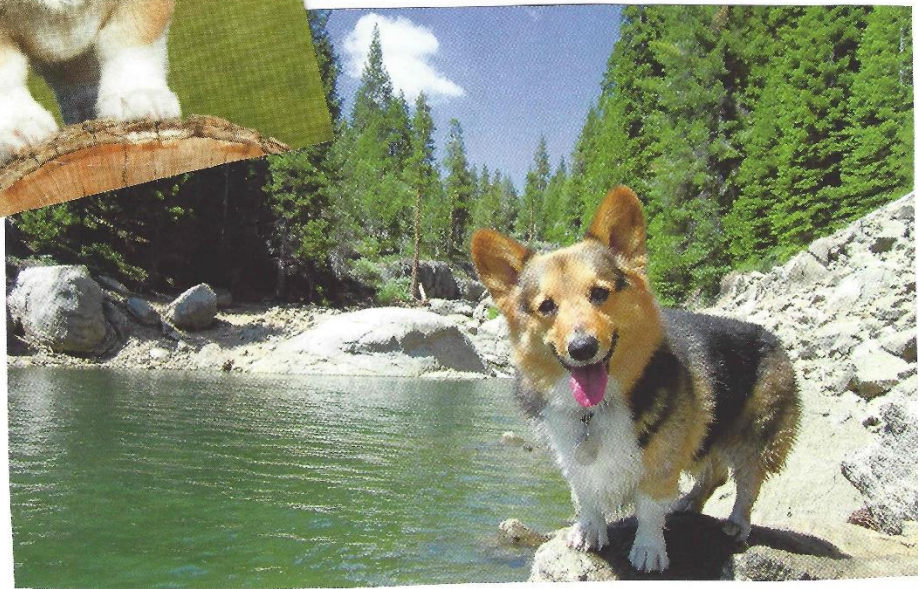
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CUDDLING...SOMEONE WHO'D
BE LOYAL TO ONE WOMAN.



Non Sequitur by Willy Miller



General Meeting – 6/25/16 - Herding Instinct Test

Call to Order by President Lynn Kaemmerer at 11:50 am. **Roll call:** Lynn K, Sister Mary Ellen Roach, Debbie Bridges, Barb Allen, Beth Merrill, Marynette Rihanek, Karyl Salit, Carol Swinney, Chris Thomas, Karen Supon

Corresponding Secretary's Report – Debbie Bridges – No report

Treasurer's Report – Beth Merrill - \$5119.99

Committees:

2016 Specialty Show – Barb Allen

All trophies have been purchased; trophies are at Marynette's home

Stewards: Lynn Brown, Lynn Kaemmerer

Judges for 2017: Connie Conger – Sweeps; Stephanie Hedgepath – Regular

Baskets – Beth Merrill – coming along but **need donations**

2017 Chair – Barb Allen

2017 Trophy Chair – Lynn Kaemmerer, Sister Mary Ellen Roach

2017 Ribbon Chair – Shelley Voorhees

2017 Judges Chair – Carol Swinney, Debbie Bridges, Pat Bayne, Barbara Weiner

Need additional member

Old Business

2017 Nominations – Beth Merrill, Shelley Voorhees –

President – Karen Supon

VP – Pat Bayne

Corr. Sec. – Noelle Blair (Marynette to ask her)

Rec. Sec. – Betty Strohmeier

Treasurer – Beth Merrill

At Large – Debbie Bridges, CJ Evert

Beth Merrill volunteered to host the Holiday party at her home

New Business

Website – Important to overhaul the website. **Marynette will get some information to Lynn about the group she uses.**

Newsletter – Lynn announced that this issue will be her last issue. **If someone wishes to take this role over, it would be appreciated!**

Trophies for 2017 - Karyl Salit gave a presentation on 2017 and 2018 trophies to the group. The group felt that both offerings were excellent choices for trophies. Lynn and Sister will work with Karyl on specific items.

PWCCR Pins – Carol Swinney made a motion that the special PWCCR pins she found among her Mother's items be given out to voting members who have contributed to the Club and been a member in good standing for at least 2 years. Karyl Salit seconded and motion carried.

Adjournment: 1:00 – Beth so moved; Barb seconded

We will never forget our past-----

Kricket



1998 – 2015

Misty



2007 – 2014

Kodi



2015 - 2016

We welcome our future-----



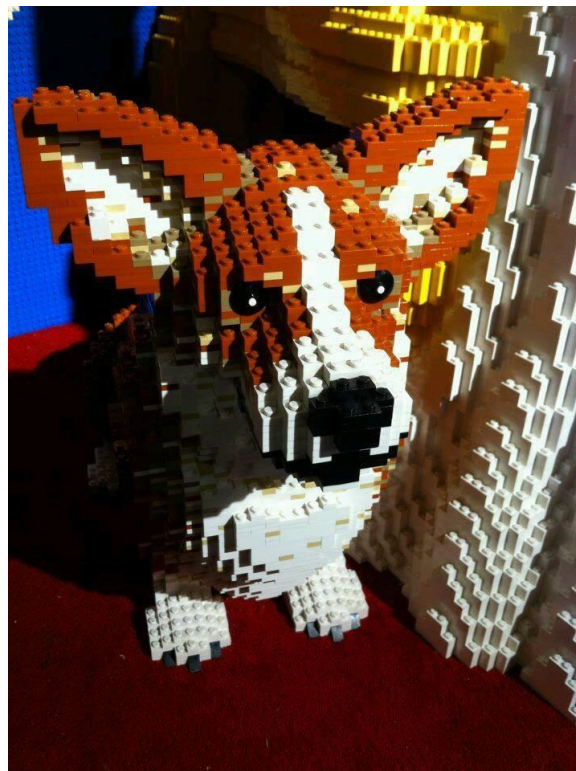
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Loved by Mary Ellen, Sue, Jan



Dear Barbara,
Dexter & I thank you VERY MUCH for your donation to his surgery costs. This gift will make a big difference for us. Dexter's remaining thyroid seems to be working well & his level is very good right now. His "itching" from being shaved has also settled down & the fur is growing back. He is back to playing with Katie, which makes him very happy! We go for our long walks early each morning - the dog got me up at 5:30 - & we ~~are~~ all now enjoying the walks, especially this time of year.

Will keep in touch. Karen & Dex





This is Bullet, a 6.5 year old boy who came to us. His Owner needed to move into an apartment that could not take dogs. Sadly many of these middle aged dogs have owners who are aging but the children will not take the dogs and visit. Sometimes it is more challenging to place these dogs because they may not adjust immediately.

Not so for Bullet - We were able to find a great home and he is happily adjusting to his new life.

Say hi to Ginger, a 7.5 year old female who loves kids, other dogs and cats! She had one owner from puppyhood and went everywhere with her owner until he could no longer get around. Due to Alzheimer's he had to give Ginger to us in Rescue. Keddie Klein stepped up and fostered Ginger until we could find a new family. (Thank you Keddie!) Again, we found the perfect home for her where she will receive a home for life fully of love and devotion.





This is Chubbs, an 8 year old boy who was chubby! Luckily for us, we were able to get some weight off his little body before we placed him. We also changed his name so that he wouldn't be destined to be overfed. He was placed in a



BREEDPROFILE

The Pembroke Welsh Corgi combines a take-charge attitude with an adaptable, affectionate nature.

BY LYNN M. HAYNER

Fit for a Queen

THE BREED

56 BREEDS & BEHAVIOR



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PEMBROKE WELSH CORGI

Country of origin: Wales.

Original use: Guardian, herder, drover, and all-purpose working dog, “in charge” of the barnyard and keeping the animals safe.

Group: Herding (AKC); Herding Dog (UKC).

Average life span: 12 to 16 years.

Color: Self colors in red, sable, fawn, and black and tan, with or without white markings.

Coat: Short, weather-resistant undercoat; longer, coarser outercoat.

Grooming: Comb regularly; bathe monthly. The breed sheds relatively heavily.

Height/weight: 10 to 12 inches; 30 pounds or less for males, 28 or less for females.

Personality: Responsive, intelligent, and confident. Adaptable, affectionate, and capable.

Trainability: Moderate to high; alert and ready to work. Responds well to treats and positive reinforcement.

Activity level: Moderate; an athletic breed with perhaps unexpected speed. Requires daily walks and exercise. Eager to join in family activities and participate in sports.

Known health problems: Tendency to grow obese if owners don't control diet with care; degenerative myelopathy; hypothyroidism.

Good with children? Although social and affectionate, unless trained otherwise, may try to herd youngsters who run.

Good with other pets? Generally gets along with the family's animals. May be overly assertive with new — especially same-sex — dogs.

National breed club: Pembroke Welsh Corgi Club of America Inc.; www.pembrokecorgi.org

Rescue: Pembroke Welsh Corgi Club of America Inc.; www.pembrokecorgi.org/rescue_network.html

More info: DogChannel.com/pembroke



Bred to take charge of a barnyard, today's confident Pembroke Welsh Corgi takes charge of his family's home and hearts. “In a nearby convent, the sisters encouraged me to walk (then 3-year-old) Tootsie on their extensive property, since she was the ideal property caretaker,” says Anne Bowes of Duxbury, Mass., longtime breeder, American Kennel Club judge, and AKC delegate for the Pembroke Welsh Corgi Club of America Inc.

One day Tootsie, ever alert for disturbances, spotted a newly placed sawhorse in the distance and barked with insistence that Bowes investigate. “Similarly attentive to detail, my (then 4-year-old) Glory would bark an alarm even if I moved a picture in the house,” Bowes says. “Both Glory and Tootsie settle down only after I acknowledge their alarms and check out the disturbances.”

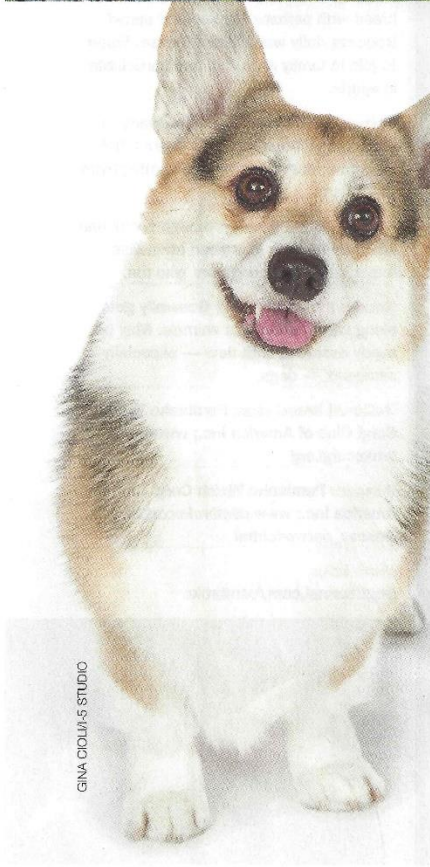
The Pembroke's awareness for anything that looks out of place makes for an exemplary watchdog. In or before the 12th century, Welsh farmers developed the Pembroke as an all-around farm dog. “The Welsh bred for short but sturdy legs so the dog could escape the kicks of small Welsh cattle,” Bowes says. “The dogs worked as heelers and drovers of livestock, led poultry to market, stood watch over the barnyard, and kept barns clear of rodents.”

Fanciful tales arose about the enchanting and capable Pembroke, which counts Great Britain's Queen Elizabeth II among his most famous owners. “With a culture steeped in legends, the Welsh people portrayed the Pembroke as helping farmers by day and carrying magical fairies by night,” Bowes says. Folklore says the fairy work accounts for the Pembroke's notable coat markings. “A ‘fairy saddle’ can often be seen across the Pembroke's withers (the area between the shoulder blades), and the ruff often lies like reins,” Bowes says.

Ready to work

Fairy tales aside, along with controlling the barnyard animals, the Pembroke alerted the family's larger guard dogs of trouble. “With keen hearing and an on-the-job attitude, Pembrokes today continue to take responsibilities seriously,” Bowes says.

Outside on the front driveway with Bowes, 4-year-old Tyler spotted a stranger walking a dog. “Tyler started to run toward the newcomer, but then quite suddenly stopped and rerouted his course,” Bowes says. “A new plan obviously in mind, Tyler raced to the backyard to herd ‘his’ 4-year-old female Akitas, Annie and Sealia, to the front.” Having rounded up the guard, Tyler ran partway with the Akitas to the newcomer, and then stopped dead in his tracks



GINA D'OLIVA/5 STUDIO

while the Akitas ran past him down the driveway. “Tyler sat calmly watching the guard dogs at work,” Boves says. The incident was deemed friendly, the Akitas were recalled, and the “Chief of Security” Pembroke clearly viewed the entire incident as a job well done.

For a Pembroke, just about anything new requires investigation and a bark or two. “Four-year-old Penn was determined to take charge of the new intruder when we put a pool sweep in our pool,” says Bill Shelton of Pomona, Calif., a longtime breeder and AKC judge. “Penn chased and barked at the sweep for quite a while until he accepted it as a normal addition to our yard.”

My inner circle

Rather than working large groups of livestock, Pembrokes mainly cared for animals they knew on their small farms. Farmers relied on the Pembrokes, for example, to lead livestock to communal pastures and bring the right ones back home again. “Showing a similar ‘I know who I know’ trait today, Pembrokes bond closely with family,” Boves says. “The breed often regards newcomers with a touch of suspicion, but rarely

unfriendliness.

“Pembrokes also do fine with the family’s other dogs, as long as the dogs concede the Pembroke is the superior commander,” Boves adds. If a family already has a rather assertive dog, especially one of the same sex, Boves cautions them about adding a Pembroke to the mix. “Pembrokes can be bossy and rarely back down from other dogs, regardless of size disparities,” Boves says.

Pembrokes benefit from early socialization with other dogs, though even well-mannered Pembrokes won’t often enjoy rowdy playtimes with strange dogs. “In off-leash areas, a Pembroke is more likely to try taking control of perceived mayhem than to join in the wild play,” Shelton says. Although Pembrokes tolerate most of the family’s animals, they won’t typically cozy up to its rodents. They’re as accomplished at rattling as many terriers, Boves says.

While usually affectionate with children, Pembrokes, like any breed, require supervision around young children. “Herding is a trademark Pembroke trait that owners must learn to manage,” Shelton says. “Left untrained, a Pembroke may try to control children by herding them, especially if the youngsters are running or playing.”



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Star student

The self-reliant Pembroke doesn't normally shadow his owner all day, but he thrives on close relationships and learns new commands quickly. "In a few short sessions, I taught 3-year-old Joey to retrieve toys from his bed and return them after playtime," Shelton says. "Although highly food motivated, Pembrokes also enjoy pleasing their owners, so I was able to teach Joey this trick with praise as his only reward."

Despite being fast learners, Pembrokes can challenge novice dog owners. "When a Pembroke sees no one steering, he's likely to take hold of the wheel," Shelton says. Owners need to immediately address issues that excite a Pembroke puppy. One of Shelton's puppies, Wyatt, went to a home where the family inadvertently rewarded his bark-charge behavior when he reacted to someone sneezing. "As Wyatt grew up and the bark-charge grew less humorous, I had to help the family control Wyatt's intensity," Shelton says. "Pembroke owners must guide the puppy early as he explores, watches, and reacts to his environment."

Pembroke upkeep

The doublecoated Pembroke typically

requires monthly baths. "Pembrokes shed rather heavily, so owners need to comb the dog regularly," Bowes says. "Tufts appear if owners fail to comb down to the undercoat."

A generally healthy breed with a 12- to 16-year life span, occasionally Pembrokes may develop hypothyroidism or degenerative myelopathy, a progressive disease of the spinal cord. "Obesity, although common, is an avoidable condition in the Pembroke," Shelton adds. "Reward a Pembroke with praise, kibble, or vegetable bits rather than high-caloric treats."

Pembrokes requires daily exercise, but can adapt to apartment living. "The breed can excel in dog sports such as obedience, herding, and tracking, but he's also content resting by the fireplace, with one eye keeping watch, of course," Shelton says.

Potential owners expecting a quiet, laid-back dog won't match up with the observant Pembroke. At one dog show, the normally cooperative Crystal, then 4 years old, abruptly refused to gait down the mat in a group ring. "Spotting a Saint Bernard and his owner at the end of the mat, Crystal stopped and turned to bark at me, as if saying, 'See that dog that wasn't there a few seconds ago!'"

ASKTHEBREEDER

> What precautions should I take with my Pembroke to prevent injury?

Responsible breeders will guide new owners on preventing Pembroke injuries. "Pembrokes have the same number of ligaments and muscles as other dogs, but due to their foreshortened limbs, they have less space to attach them," longtime breeder Anne Bowes explains. "Pembrokes are especially prone to ACL (anterior cruciate ligament) and back injuries."

To lessen the risk of injury, Bowes gives Pembroke owners a list of precautions. "Pups, for example, shouldn't play with heavier dogs until they're at least a year old," Bowes says. "At any age, Pembrokes should be kept lean, prevented from jumping off furniture, running down stairs, and leaping in snow." Bowes also suggests owners teach Pembrokes to catch balls on the ground rather than jumping for them.

Safeguards may be wise, but they don't bench this athletic breed from performance sports. "Although a Pembroke can excel in almost any event, sports such as obedience, rally, tracking, and herding are excellent choices for Pembrokes," Bowes says.

> What health issues should prospective owners discuss with breeders?

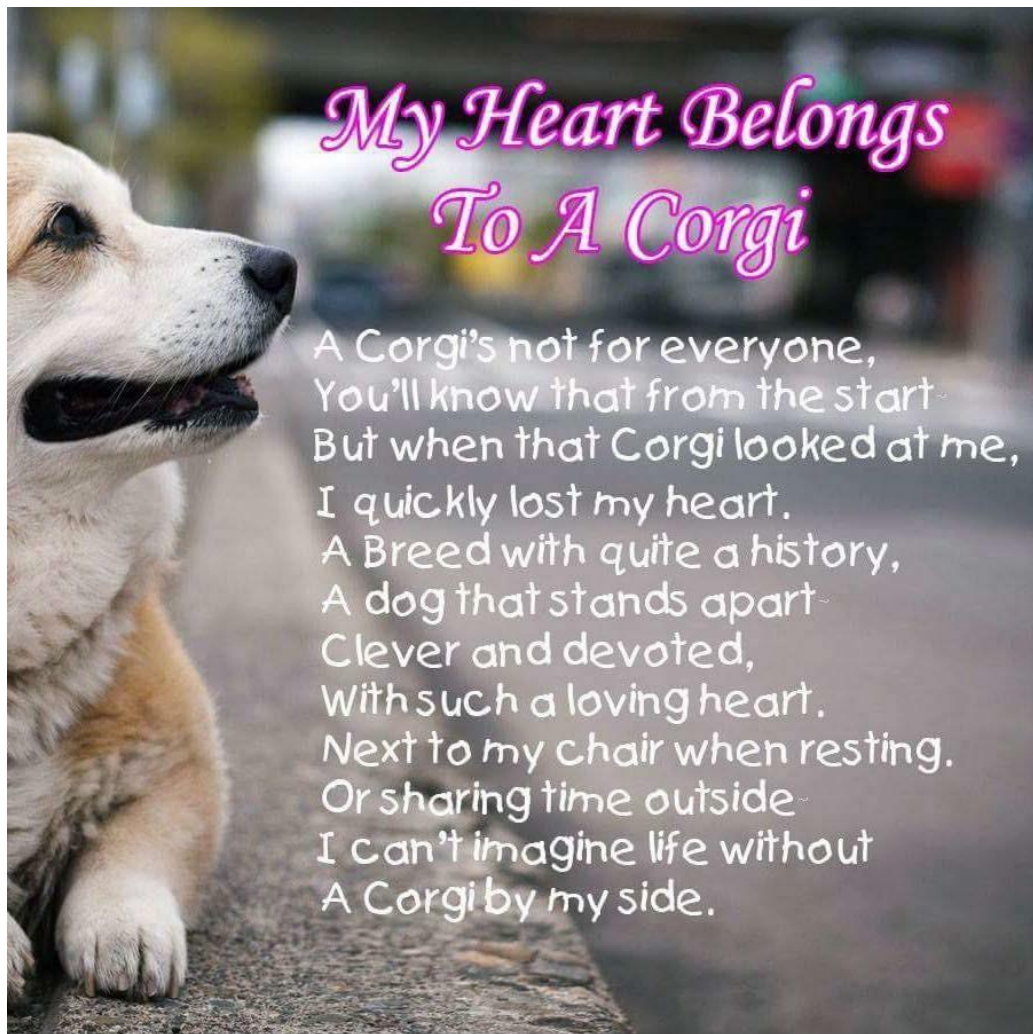
"Reputable breeders make sure their Pembrokes are free of hip and elbow dysplasia, eye problems, and von Willebrand's disease before breeding," Bowes says.

Find more questions at DogChannel.com/breederquestions

Bowes says. Although Crystal's trademark Pembroke vigilance wasn't rewarded in the competition, the Pembroke-loving spectators appreciated her behavior.

"Whether in a show ring or at home, the watchful Pembroke should notice newcomers," Bowes says. "To a Pembroke, a huge Saint Bernard's sudden appearance constitutes a happenstance worth mentioning." **DF**

LYNN M. HAYNER, a contributing editor and retired attorney, combines training her German Shepherd Dog with daily walks in the hill country of Austin, Texas.



My Heart Belongs To A Corgi

A Corgi's not for everyone,
You'll know that from the start.
But when that Corgi looked at me,
I quickly lost my heart.
A Breed with quite a history,
A dog that stands apart.
Clever and devoted,
With such a loving heart.
Next to my chair when resting.
Or sharing time outside.
I can't imagine life without
A Corgi by my side.

Hi, I usually like to give you a hello and let you know how Sally our rescue from you in 2012-13 is doing. Sally has to be 7 about now and is doing wonderful, she even has a new brother from Wyoming Dachshund and Corgi Rescue (who I assist as a foster mom). Sally is our world, since we rescued her she has done nothing but amaze us with her unconditional love and always wanting to please us. Sally's favorite thing to do is go riding, this summer we were back to Leadville and Sally and her brother took on some great ATV trails to reach dogtopia at the top of the mountain. Her ear to ear smile says it all! We could not be happier with our kids! Thank you for all you do!





GCH CH Larklain Cal's Jazzman (Satchmo)

Bred by Carol Swinney

Owned, Shown & Loved by Betty Strohmeier

Satchmo is shown going Best of Breed from the Veterans Class at the Plum Creek Kennel Club Show. With this win, Satchmo completed the requirements for the **Gold Grand Championship, the 11th Corgi to reach this level.** He reminds us daily that age doesn't really define what a dog (or for that matter, a person) can do. At almost 11 years old, he still loves his job.

In Loving Memory of "Flash"

LARKLAIN MARKERS EXCELLENT EMBER

Flash produced only 4 litters and the final two litters of 7 puppies have 6



offspring that will be shown to their Championships. Look for one of his son's "Flame" in the ring starting the first of Nov. of 2016 in Puppy Class. Flash will be missed deeply all who knew him & and loved him.

April 2, 2011 - June 15, 2016



Flash will be remembered for his happy and bold disposition and his beautiful head, structure and amazing bone. He produced all of this in his offspring. I will never forget you Flash!

- Carol Swinney

