

NOVEMBER 2016 NEWS LETTER

From the Chair: Will the real Bullmastiff please stand up!

Is this about taking the standard to the dog or the dog to the standard?

We all know that the Breed Standard is designed to protect the integrity of the breed and its heritage. It is however interpreted differently by people. Some as to how they think it should be, some to what they are breeding and would like it to be and some in a totally objective manner.

Judges when picking a winner are always aware that they have an influence on the progress of the breed. Therefore, they should do their utmost to choose the best representative of the breed in front of them. If they fail in this regard it can be catastrophic for the breed and perhaps for their reputations as well!

Featured below is a small selection of top winning quality dogs from around the world

USA 2015



RSA 2016



Luxembourg 2016



Australia 2016



Russian Federation

Same phenotype? different styles? Are they that different? All excellent examples of the breed.

SOME FOOD FOR THOUGHT



3 CHALLENGE CERTIFICATES

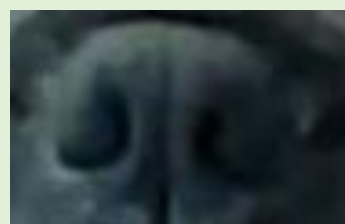


KUSA CHAMPION

YOU DECIDE!

Presented here are some problems in the breed that need to be addressed

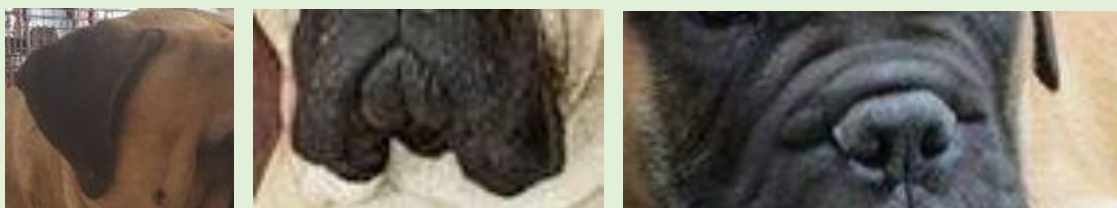
Nose rolls, short noses (a reversion to the Bulldog heritage) and small nostrils are a huge problem in the breed. Keep in mind the dog had to breath evenly while latched onto the poacher's arm and needed the correct anatomy to allow him to do this – a square strong muzzle with open nostrils and a firm alignment to his mouth is required.



Correct nostrils? Which would be your choice?

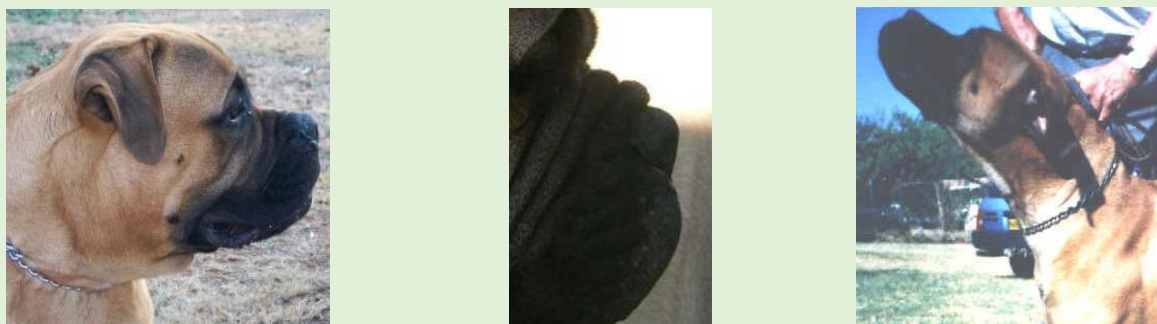


Zeus of Olympus demonstrates WHY the nostrils should be large and open and the flews neat



Point of ear to be level with eye? Why did they have to be small? - Flews not pendulous? Why not? -
Nose broad, flat neither pointed nor turned up & no nose roll?

AND FROM THE SIDE VIEW



MUZZLE LENGTH PROPORTIONAL TO SIZE OF HEAD / NOSE ROLL / MUZZLE TOO LONG

HEAD SHAPES

Round & apple heads vs square heads – bad heads vs excellent heads

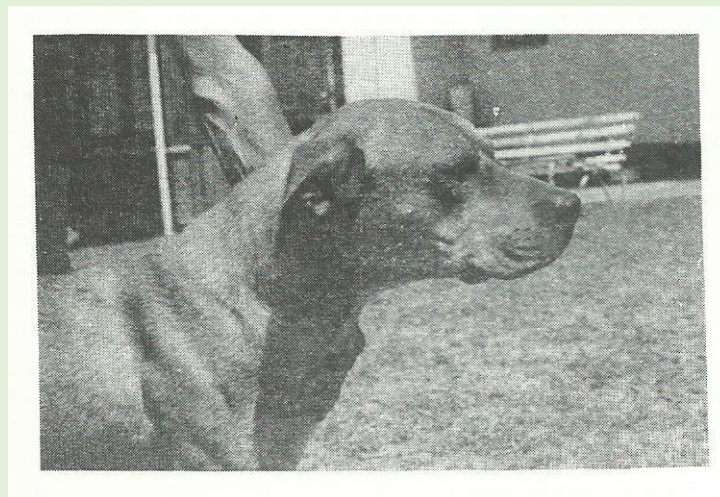
The Breed Standard is specific in its head description, in short – large and square - a square block (the muzzle) on a square block (the head) *



Here is a small selection – one head / muzzle is outstanding☺

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AND WHAT HAVE WE HERE?



This dog is registered with the Kennel Union of Southern Africa as a Bullmastiff - # BJ0..... !! **No joke!**

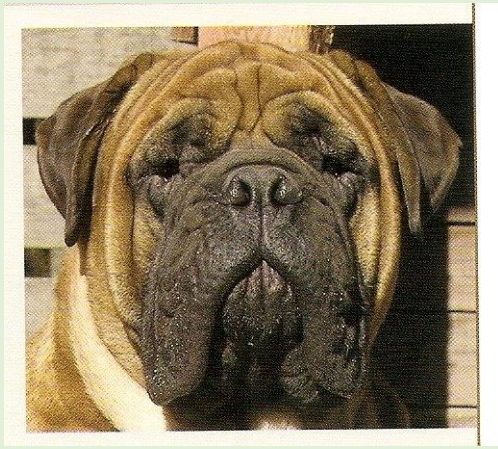
IS THIS A FAIT ACCOMPLI ?

- Both the FCI & UK KC country of origin have altered the Bullmastiff Breed Standard regarding the HEAD & SKULL. The powerful words “circumference of skull may equal height of dog measured at top of shoulder” have been removed and replaced with “Skull broad & deep with well filled cheeks”. The CBC Committee registered an objection with W.C. Provincial Council

against the change as the head of the Bullmastiff is its HALLMARK and must never be allowed to deteriorate to anything else but that.(E-mail sent to Breeders and exhibitors 5 November.)

- Regarding the EARS : “v-shaped, folded back” would change to “forward” and
- Under FAULTS:”effect on health & welfare of the dog and on the dog’s ability to perform its traditional work” would be added.
- All Bullmastiff Fanciers and Breeders to take note please - further information following the FEDCO meeting in December.

ANOTHER PROBLEM: “Some dogs have too much wrinkle” - Gordon Smith Figor Bullmastiffs



Fair wrinkle when alert!



Could this stifle / hock angulation
produce a powerful rear drive?





Does your Bullmastiff gait like this? Plumb line nose to toe and perfect triangles, head and tail to the horizontal? Is this the correct gait? Would it be acceptable if the head dropped to just below horizontal? You decide!

Photo Norma@visualconcepts.co.za

The height and weight have long been a controversy although both are specified in the Breed Standard. When a dog has all the requirements necessary for an accolade but is either too big or small in size and weight then the Judge should invoke the last paragraph: FAULTS - Any departure from the foregoing points should be considered a fault and the seriousness with which the fault should be regarded should be in exact proportion to its degree and its effect on the health and welfare of the dog.

FIRST NOTICE OF INTENTION TO HOLD THE 6TH AGM OF THE CAPE BULLMASTIFF CLUB

The 6th AGM of the Cape Bullmastiff Club will be held on Saturday the 28TH January 2017 at 10h00 in the Dutch Reformed Church Hall Briza, Somerset West.

Any member who wishes to propose an item for the agenda should do so in writing and submit it to info@capebullmastiffclub.co.za before the 10th January 2017. The Agenda will be distributed directly after final compilation. Only items on the Agenda will be discussed at the AGM and only paid up members may propose an item & receive the Agenda. The minutes will follow.

AS the Committee has a two-year mandate there will be no voting. There are however positions on the Committee that are vacant and anyone who may wish to serve on the Committee can inform the Chairlady and this will be discussed at the Committee meeting on the 15th January 2017.

Members are reminded that the 2017 membership fees are now payable. They remain at an annual amount of R120 and R75 for pensioners.

Bank details are as follows:

CAPE BULLMASTIFF CLUB

FIRST NATIONAL BANK

STRAND BRANCH CODE 200612

ACCOUNT # 62330734048

PLEASE DON'T GO AWAY😊AND THANK YOU TO THOSE
THAT HAVE ALREADY PAID 😊

SUBMISSION OF BREED SHOWS AND KUSA DISCIPLINES POINTS

The final tallies will be done after the KA Show **27th November**. Members are reminded that it is their responsibility to submit their points on time. No Club responsibility will be accepted for failure to do so within the time frames. The final results will be published in the December Newsletter which will be distributed 22/23 December .

The Annual awards will be distributed **after the AGM on the 28th January 2017**. All present trophy holders are requested to have any engraving done prior to this and to submit the returned trophies in a clean and presentable condition to the Secretary BEFORE the AGM.

**THE CBC TROPHY SHOW WILL BE HELD AT JAGTERSHOF ON SUNDAY
THE 22ND JANUARY 2017 WITH JUDGE KERRIE WILSON FROM NATAL
AND STEWARD HANNALIE BASSON IN ATTENDANCE. WE HOPE TO SEE
YOU THERE😊**

About the Judge:



Here is what Kerrie has to say:

I am 31 years old, and am a 3rd generation of Dog showers/breeders/trainers.

I have been involved in Dog Shows from the age of 8.

I started Child handling and then moved onto Junior Handling. I represented my province on many occasions at the Nationals for both Child and Junior Handling.

I have also trained and competed in Obedience up to Novice level.

MY first breed was a Border Collie, I then showed Siberian Huskies and now Shiba Inu's.

I am the co-owner of Sibra Kennels and have bred many champions.

I am a committee member on 3 All Breeds Clubs, Secretary of the KZN Benevolent fund and a Convener of the KZN handling Sub- Committee.

I joined the KUSA Judges programme in 2013 and am qualified to judge Herding and Handling at Championship level. I am currently working on the Working and Gundog Groups.

About the Steward:



Here is what Hannelie has to say:

I am a licensed Judge for the Herding Group and am busy with the Gundog and Utility Groups.

I am on the Committee of the Working and Herding Breeds Club of the Cape as well as Breede River Valley Kennel Club. I help with stewarding whenever I can.

I have two Australian Shepherds and live in Somerset West and work at the Bible Organization in Durbanville.

I love all things animal and nature and photography is my main hobby.

Hannelie@bornchampions.co.za

**THE CBC IS TRULY PRIVILEGED TO HAVE THESE TWO YOUNG LADIES TO
OFFICIATE AT OUR TROPHY SHOW IN JANUARY.**

SWARTLAND KENNEL CLUB:

BOB & BEST IN WORKING GROUP: Judge Di Hansen

CH. SANNIESEBOS SPOONER OF CHIZELHURST BA Ex / FCI Gr Ex

BP & THIRD IN THE WORKING GROUP PUPPY SANNIESEBOS J'AIME OF CHIZELHURST



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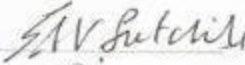
THE CBC COMMITTEE THANKS THOSE BREEDERS WHO HAVE ENROLLED THEIR NEW PUPPY OWNERS AS MEMBERS AND REQUESTS THAT ALL BREEDERS CONSIDER THIS OPTION. KEEPING IN MIND THAT WITHOUT MEMBERS THERE WILL BE NO CLUB

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WELCOME TO SARGETHRUST BULLMASTIFFS

WELCOME TO KILAAB BULLMASTIFFS

AND BREAKING NEWS : 'BALTO' GOES SILVER!

 1891 - 2016	
<h1>CERTIFICATE</h1> <h2>of Achievement</h2>	
Certificate Number <u>1351</u>	
THIS CERTIFICATE IS PRESENTED TO:	
Name of Dog	Ch Chizelhurst Checkmate of Hanita
Microchip number	900008800610175
Name of Owner	Mrs M Steyn
<i>to certify that the required standard has been achieved to pass</i>	
KUSA CANINE GOOD CITIZEN - SILVER	
Name of Club	★ ★ ★ ★ ★ KZN Carting Club
Name of Evaluator	E Sutcliff (KUSA 130695)
DATE:	SIGNATURE:
6 November 2016	
Kennel Union of Southern Africa	
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**OFFICIAL SCHEDULE FOR THE SIXTH ANNUAL OPEN TROPHY SHOW OF THE CAPE
BULLMASTIFF CLUB**

Affiliated to the Kennel Union of SA

**THIS SPECIALITY SHOW WILL BE HELD AT JAGTershOF SPORTS FIELD KUILSRIVER IN
PARTNERSHIP WITH LIESBEEK KENNEL CLUB.**

DATE: 22ND JANUARY 2017

TIME : 07H30

JUDGE : MS.KERRIE WILSON (KZN)

STEWARD : MS HANNELIE BASSON (WC)

**BREED CLASSES: BABY PUPPY 4-6 MONTHS,* MINOR PUPPY 6-9 MONTHS, PUPPY 9-12
MONTHS, JUNIOR, GRADUATE, VETERANS, SA BRED, OPEN & CHAMPION**

***ONLY BP NOT ELIGIBLE FOR BOB**

ROSSETES, PRIZES AND TROPHIES

CHALLENGES: BEST HANDLER/BEST BRINDLE/ BEST HEAD/BEST FAMILY

ENTRY FEE FOR MEMBERS R45 FOR FIRST DOG THEREAFTER R40

NON-MEMBERS R50 THEREAFTER R45 PER DOG

ENTRIES WILL BE DONE ON THE DAY FROM 06H00 – 07H30

SHOWMANAGER: INA JENKINS

HONORARY VET AVAILABLE FOR BULLMASTIFFS: STELLENBOSCH ANIMAL HOSPITAL

RIGHT OF ADMISSION RESERVED

**ALL EXHIBITORS/HANDLERS ARE PERSONALLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE CONTROL OF THEIR
DOGS AT ALL TIMES AND SHALL BE PERSONALLY LIABLE FOR ANY CLAIMS WHICH MAY BE
MADE IN RESPECT OF INJURIES WHICH MAY ARISE OR BE CAUSED BY THEIR DOGS**

Enquiries: Nicky at info@capebullmastiffclub.co.za

ROSETTES, JUDGE AND STEWARD GIFTS SPONSORED BY HAAITA BULLMASTIFFS

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**NO MATTER HOW GOOD YOU ARE TO PEOPLE, THERE WILL ALWAYS BE ONE
NEGATIVE PERSON THAT CRITIZES YOU.**

☺ SMILE AND IGNORE THEM ☺