Kromi Connection

Spring 2023

Connecting With Kromfohrländer Lovers Everywhere



Tate and Unni Fom Sweden

"The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams." Eleanor Roosevelt

Eleanor Roosevelt's sentiment aptly describes the passionate vision of this club to preserve and protect our fantastic breed and 2023 is off to a great start. Kennel Nalgard's Uncle Sam "Tate" and Unni of Sweden (Page 15) are the first imported Kromfohrlander puppies this year. Partnerships with our European friends who share our ethical breeding goals are essential to the welfare of the Kromfohrlander in the United States. In the last quarter of 2022, with international travel and importing puppies once again possible, the US enthusiastically welcomed Billy from Angel SIlvestre Kennel of Belgium (Page 12) and Knox from Kennel Mejsen of Denmark.

2023 has also brought exciting new opportunities in Artificial Insemination (AI), with the first frozen sperm arriving in the United States in February. Cyndi Lear and Carolyn Noteman began the journey to import semen into the US last year and have made great strides. They are eager to educate and encourage other members to take this journey so that we can continue to grow the gene pool of our beloved breed. Please watch for details in the next newsletter including how to manage through the AI process - from paperwork, collection, shipping and storage - to tips on types of insemination and how to better prepare yourself and your dog for success.

Kromfohrlander Club of America
Meet the Board Members!



Cyndi Lear
President

- Has Kromis, Berger Picard, and Irish Wolfhound
- Has had Kromis for 3 years

Favorite Kromi Activities:
- Everything!
- Kromis do it all!

Cyndi has been involved with Kromfohrlanders for 3 years, but researched the breed extensively for a few years before getting her first Kromi. She loves how Kromis are the embodiment of "Live, Laugh, and Love." They love to be a part of your life, and will make you laugh along the way! Cyndi's experience in leadership, passion, education, and dedication to the breed are what she brings to her role as President. In her free time, she enjoys dining out with family and friends, knitting, and ancestry.

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Sharon Loree
Vice President

- Has three Kromis and a German Shepherd
- Has had Kromis for 4.5 years

Favorite Kromi Activities:
- Conformation
- Swimming & Dock Diving
- Hiking & Biking
- Beach Time & Fetch

Sharon has been involved with Kromfohrlanders for 4.5 years now, and her Kromis love to swim in their pool, go to conformation and dock diving events, as well as go hiking with them at Lake Tahoe. She loves how loyal and funny Kromis are, "always making us laugh." Sharon brings an advertising and marketing background to her role as Vice President, as well as experience in HR. She is the creator and editor of the KCA Newsletter. In her free time, she enjoys traveling, gourmet cooking, and remodeling properties.

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Carolyn Noteman
Member at Large

- Has Kromis and working Border Collies
- Has had Kromis since 2018

Favorite Kromi Activities:
- Conformation
- Obedience
- Breeding

Carolyn has been involved with Kromfohrlanders since 2018. Her Kromis love to compete in dog sports and hang out with her and her family. She loves how Kromis are athletic and kind, able to steal the hearts of anyone they meet. Carolyn brings analytical skills, experience in dog sports and breeding to her role as a Member at Large. In her spare time, she enjoys sheepdog herding, woodworking, and gardening.

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Stella Greer
Member at Large

- Has two Kromis - Phoebe and Pazle
- Has had Kromis for 3.5 years

Favorite Kromi Activities:
- Walks & Hikes
- Dog Shows

Stella has been involved with the breed for 3.5 years. Her two Kromis love to play, especially frisbee and with a ball, and going on walks where they get to meet new people. The skills she brings to the Board are her love of dogs, people, and dog shows. In her spare time, she enjoys working in her garden, cooking, and a variety of crafts.

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Henry Frier
Secretary

- Has a Kromi and an Amstaff mix
- Has had Kromis for 1.5 years

Favorite Kromi Activities:
- Conformation
- Flyball
- Disc Dog
- Agility

Henry has been involved with Kromis for 1.5 years, and loves how quirky and silly they are, as well as how they want to try anything! He brings skills in art and design, as well as social media affinity to his role of Secretary. In his free time, he enjoys all sorts of arts and crafts, from filmmaking to collage!

Kromfohrlander Club of America
Meet the Board Members!



Natasha Wright
Treasurer

- Has a Kromi, Collie, and a Lab mix
- Has had Kromis for 1.5 years

Favorite Kromi Activities:
- Dock Diving
- Agility
- Conformation
- Scent Work

Natasha has been involved with Kromfohrlanders for 1.5 years, and loves their sweet expressions and how they love to be with their people. She brings skills in process adoption, technology, managing people as well as tenacity to her role of Treasurer. In her free time she enjoys papercrafting, gardening, and cooking.

Kromfohrlander Club of America
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Li Sun
Member at Large

- Only has Kromfohrlanders
- Involved with Kromis for 1.5 years

Favorite Kromi Activities:
- Everything!

Li has been involved in Kromfohrlanders for 1.5 years, and loves how they love so unconditionally. She brings her skills in computer software, teamwork, and communication to her role as a Member at Large. In her free time, she likes to cook and take her cats on walks.

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And Join A Committe,
Please Contact Someone On The Board.
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Mark your Calendars

August 17-20
Greeley, Colorado

Island Grove Regional Park
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Last year's AKC events included confirmation, obedience, rally, agility, barnhunt, FastCat, scentwork and more. 2023 will also include dock diving! The Club is sponsoring the FSS/Misc. Conformation Show on Sunday, 20th.

Participate, or just come meet, support and hang out with other Kromi lovers!

Dinner on Saturday Night the 19th
(watch for more details)

7 Kromfohrlanders participated in 2022 and we expect more in 2023!



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Welcome

100th Kromfohrlander Club of America Member Betty Swenson, DVM

Betty Swenson was 'recruited' by the Kromfohrlander Club of America to serve as a consultant to the club's **Health and Genetics Committee**.



Betty and Seren

Betty is a retired veterinarian living in Virginia with the following academic credentials: after receiving a BS degree from Virginia Tech and an MA from William and Mary, she worked for six years in the genetics laboratory at the Medical College of Virginia. From there she went back to Virginia Tech for Veterinary School and earned her DVM. She then worked as a veterinarian in private practice for over 30 years, dealing primarily with dogs and cats but also occasionally tending to the health of pocket pets, wildlife, and livestock.

While Betty recognizes that much new research has been done and new knowledge gained in the years since her retirement, what changes more slowly is the ability to know where to look for, and how to interpret, answers to health questions which may arise within the Kromi community. She will do her best to assist the Health & Genetics Committee with trying to resolve any wellness issues in the breed.

Although the Border Collie is Betty's chosen breed, her many years in veterinary practice reinforced her belief that the ideal for any breed of dog is a sound temperament in a healthy body. She further believes that any activity in which dogs and humans engage together can enhance that beautiful bond which develops between a person and their canine companion. Over the years Betty's dogs, all owner trained and handled, have earned advanced titles in obedience, rally, agility, tracking, canine freestyle, and herding. They have also dabbled in, though not pursued very far, conformation, lure coursing, and tricks events. Her current younger dog, Seren, excels as a registered therapy dog. Betty feels this is due to Seren's innate temperament rather than being the result of any training.

KCA members are encouraged to contact the Health and Genetics Committee with any questions or concerns and the committee members will work together to address the issue.

Sports Spotlight

by Andrew Wright; edited by Natasha Wright



Art By Shaza

Canine Conditioning By Andrew Wright with Jenn Patton, DVM, CVC, CCRT



Dr. Patton uses a combination of therapeutic exercise, supplements, herbs, medications, chiropractic care, manual therapies and state of the art equipment at her practice to help return and keep dogs at peak levels of competition for many years.

In her spare time, she enjoys training and showing her own dogs in herding, agility and competitive obedience, among other sports. If she is not at the hospital, you can almost always find her enjoying outdoor activities with her husband John, of 22 years, and their 'fur children', German Shepherd Rowdy, Border Collies, Dublin and Lloyd, Dutch Shepherd Neo, and Chance the silly yellow lab.

1. What are the most beneficial exercises to prevent injury in a performance dog?



Merin and Natasha

There really isn't a correct answer for this question. The exercises will depend upon what sport or combination of sports the dog participates in. We want to target muscles that will be at greatest risk of injury based on the demands of the sport. Front end exercises are important for agility dogs, but not as beneficial for dock diving. Exercises that target the iliopsoas muscle are beneficial for any sport dog that participates in rapid acceleration type sports, such as agility, dock diving and FastCAT, but won't help as much for an obedience dog. The other thing that needs to be considered is the dog's physical strength and weaknesses and target exercises that will help the dog overcome some of those weaknesses. Examples would be that dogs with straight rears are at increased risk of cruciate tears, so we want to target muscles that support the stifle joint. If I had to pick basic exercises that would benefit all dogs, it would be a static stand, tuck sit to stand, sit to kick back stand, fold back down to stand, side stepping and iliopsoas planks.

2. What exercises are optimal for an agility dog and how might those differ for a dog that only runs straight lines, such as in FastCAT?

For agility dogs, I want to focus on muscles that will support turns, lateral movements, rapid accelerations, and rear end strength to clear jumps. Iliopsoas planks, side stepping, pivots, hops, hiccups, and jump grids would be some exercises that I would include in my program. For dogs that participate in FastCAT, I would want to focus on core strength, exercises that support rapid acceleration and digging and pulling exercises to help strengthen the front end for the pull through the acceleration. Power ups, resistance pulls, digging, fold back down to stands and iliopsoas planks would be included in my program.

3. What common agility injuries can be rehabilitated using at-home exercise?

At home exercises should always be included in rehabbing any injury, but it should be done under the supervision of a certified veterinary rehab professional. You need a definite diagnosis of the injury, determine the extent of the injury and then develop a targeted rehab plan that will include different treatment modalities, including at-home exercises.

4. Can prevention and rehabilitation conditioning be done in a small space?

Absolutely! My dog's work-out space only measures 6' wide at its widest and only 4' long at its narrowest, by 10' long. (It's my living room between my furniture) It may take a little creative thinking, especially if you want to do conditioning circuits, but it is probably one of the easiest dog-focused activities you can do in a small space.

5. How can canine conditioning benefit the non-athlete?

Conditioning is a great way to bond with your dog and spend time together. It doesn't have to be about training for a sport but can be an activity to have fun with. Also, injuries can happen to a dog at any time. I've seen pet dogs injured from sliding on floors, slipping on ice, and while playing in the backyard. Conditioning can help to mitigate injuries that can happen during life. Conditioning can also help an older dog stay active, keep them more mobile, and help to keep them mentally challenged and engaged.


Merin

6. How can canine conditioning help in the conformation ring?

For conformation, conditioning can help to create cleaner striding, can help to reduce an easty-westy stance on the front end, can help to flatten the top line, and allow the dogs to hold a stack longer with less fidgeting. For dogs that should carry some muscle, conditioning can be used to help bulk up the muscle. We can also employ gait training to help produce a longer or more powerful stride.

7. What other activities, such as swimming, can help with prevention and rehabilitation?

Swimming is an activity that is often misunderstood. Unfortunately, swimming is often contraindicated for injured patients, but many people think that it helps. In a healthy dog, swimming is mostly a cardiovascular exercise and can help to build some endurance but will not help to build strength. It can help a little with range of motion in the front limbs but does very little for the rear limbs. This is very different from underwater treadmill work or targeted hydrotherapy. Also with swimming, you need to make sure the dog can easily get into and out of the water, and not scramble to struggle and possibly hurt themselves.

Activities that I encourage are free body movements, such as off-leash hiking. Letting the dog freely move its body over, around, and through obstacles can be wonderful for helping to develop proprioception in all limbs, and it can help to develop strength in real life movements. With our current lifestyles, too many of our dogs only get their free time in a small yard. Taking time to get them into large, open areas and into forests can do so much for dogs, both physically and mentally. Canicross and bikejoring can also be incorporated into a conditioning program to help build endurance.

JUMP CLIMB

Even if you're unfamiliar with the name, you've probably seen agility competitions on television. The American Kennel Club (AKC) held its first agility trial (competition) in 1994 and it has since become the fastest growing dog sport in the United States. It's no wonder, either. The speed, skills, conditioning, concentration, and teamwork required for competition make it intoxicating for both competitors and spectators. It is a great form of exercise for dogs and handlers. It's also a fantastic way to bond with your dog.

In AKC agility, a dog and his handler must negotiate up to 20 obstacles consisting of jumps, teeters, weaves, dog walks, A-frames, tires, etc. The faster the team gets through the course, the better - ensuring they negotiate every obstacle successfully. Agility requires constant training, not only for physical conditioning, but also for trust-building. The dog must trust that the handler will keep him safe on the course and the handler must trust that the dog will take the obstacle requested. Agility is a challenging sport, even for the most accomplished competitor. It is stimulating for the body and mind of canine and human, alike. While competing may not be for every team, agility training will aid in daily life. Working with your dog on impulse control, on safely negotiating obstacles and on paying attention to you while in an aroused state of mind, are skills required for healthy teamwork both on and off the course. Training your dog for agility will make for a more balanced, obedient, and well-behaved dog.

If you do decide to compete, there are quite a few organizations that offer competitions. Including, but not limited to, the American Kennel Club (AKC), the United States Dog Agility Association (USDAA), North American Dog Agility Council (NADAC), Canine Performance Events (CPE). Each organization may have slightly different obstacles and rules.

By Christina Potter

For the purposes of this article, we'll focus on AKC agility. There are four levels of competition in the regular classes: novice, open, excellent and master. In the novice level, there are 14 to 16 obstacles and only six weave poles - all other levels have a minimum of twelve weave poles. The open level consists of 16-18 obstacles. The excellent and master level courses have 18-20 obstacles. You must qualify three times at the novice, open and excellent levels to receive each title and move up to the next level. You must qualify ten times at the master level in order to obtain that title. The regular classes are standard and jumpers.

These are the two classes in which you must compete if you want to become a Master Agility Champion, also known as MACH. Getting a dog's first MACH can take years, thus, it is a prestigious and coveted championship title. Many dogs will go their entire career and never become agility champions. A MACH is earned, not given. It is not subject to anyone's opinion, there are objective rules that must be followed. Due to the complex nature of this sport, it is important for the novice handler to enroll in agility classes or find a private instructor.

Any healthy dog of any age is a good candidate for agility training. Jumps are adjusted depending on height class, so any size dog is welcome. The jump heights go as low as 4" and as high as 24". You can tailor your training program to suit your needs; whether you have a young dog that needs to burn off energy or an older dog that needs to burn off calories, all dogs will benefit. The demands of agility will undoubtedly help keep you and your canine companion physically and mentally fit.

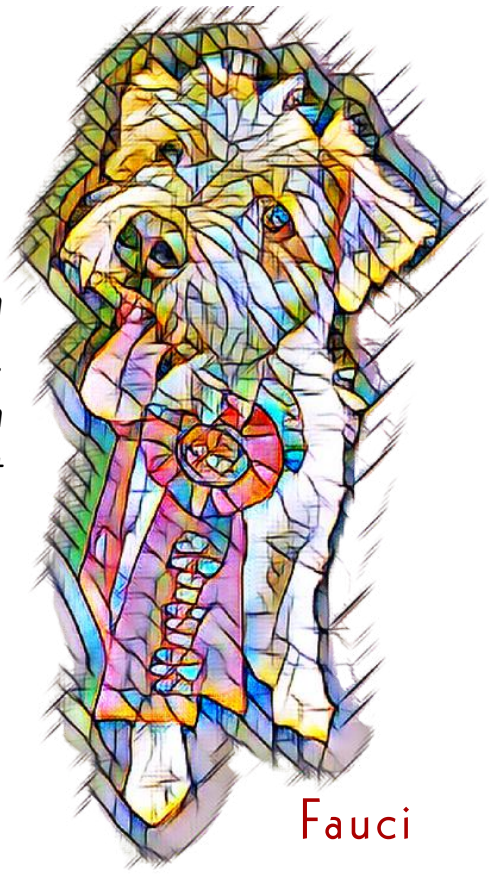


And isn't it better to spend quality time with your dog, as opposed to sitting in front of the TV eating potato chips while your dog lays around thinking about his next meal? For those of us already involved in agility, let's spread the word on the rewards of getting involved in dog sports. Let's invite our friends to our next agility trial or encourage them to take a class. For those of you not currently involved in dog sports, I tell you this; the bond you will forge while training your dog and the memories you'll make with him will last a lifetime. Be forewarned, however, that this most exciting sport is addictive, and you may soon find yourself traveling almost every weekend to agility trials with multiple dogs.

kromi fun

We are kicking off a new section in the newsletter where members can send in their Kromi(s) event participation and bragging rights in 2023. Susan Cato Lockhart (and Fauci, of course) have been gracious enough to help us get this fun segment going. Please email Susan a little about your event, and any particulars, photos and videos to:

KromiFun@Gmail.com



Fauci

Fauci earned his AKC "Trick Dog Novice" title in January, 2023 He earned his "Trick Dog Intermediate" title shortly after and recently earned his "Trick Dog Advanced" (TKA) title.

Fauci - by Susan Cato Lockhart. Over the years I've shared my life with many beloved dogs - enjoying plenty of adventures, competitions, and couches with them along the way. Some became certified therapy dogs, a couple earned their Junior Lure coursing and/or CAT titles, and one finished her championship in conformation allowing me the privilege of showing her at the Westminster KC Dog Show (a bucket list whim).

Of all the wonderful canines I've had, I always considered my first childhood dog, Shane (a herding type shelter dog mix) to be the most intelligent dog I've ever had - until Fauci (my first Kromfohrlander) came along.

I got Fauci (Birkenstrand's Head Over Heels, by Gypsies In The Palace x Hoolahop's Crystal) from his wonderful breeder Mary Dixon just as the Covid shut down was beginning. I'll never forget that day when all the puppies' new owners met in Syracuse to bring home their new little furry family members. It was a beautiful, surreal afternoon - with everyone wearing masks and maintaining distance protocols while all the puppies romped and played and rolled in the glorious green grass...

As a youngster it was soon obvious that Fauci was especially bright, curious, and eager to learn. Part of it was how closely he tuned into his human. Whenever I talked to him he would look into my eyes and do that Kromi head-tilt we all love, as if trying his best to understand exactly what I was saying. Always eager for validation and approval, he would puff up proudly when hearing what a good boy he was. As an adolescent his athleticism was impressive. He was bullet fast and kept up with my borzoi girls when they ran circles in the yard. He also seemed to grow springs and could jump straight up to my eye level from a standstill.



Shortly after he turned 2 years old we started learning agility together. His aptitude was apparent from the start and he learned rapidly. However, I was (and still am) rather, awkward, slow, and forgetful as a handling partner! In the two trials we've entered, he Q'd at least once in each and actually placed 1st one event! I was thrilled with his performances but I found that instead of having fun and enjoying the experience, I was stressing about trying to remember courses. I think (and hope) that as our lessons go on I'll get better and gain more confidence so that competing in agility is as fun for me as it is for Fauci!

In the meantime, I discovered the AKC virtual competition program in which you can earn titles via video. To participate in these events your dog needs an AKC registration number, Purebred Alternative Listing (PAL) number, or Canine Partners Dog number the virtual categories include canine good citizen, Fit Dog, Trick Dog, Virtual Home Manners, and (coming soon) Barn Hunt, Disc Dog, Dock Diving, Fly Ball, Parent Club Working Dog, Search and Rescue, and Therapy Dog.

Trick Dog is a fun title program that has grown in popularity, especially since AKC introduced the virtual option. It allows you to video your dog's performance at home or other convenient location and if there are mistakes it gives you the ability to redo a trick until you get it right for your test submission video. I found this category appealing as it enabled us to build on previous skills and training. Plus, a number of required tests for the first level (Novice) are simply basic obedience skills, and some are natural behaviors for many dogs (e.g. fetching a ball). Each level of the Trick Dog tests requires your dog to adequately perform 10 of 20 tricks listed for that level. There are also "handlers choice" options available which can be used to replace two of the 10 required tricks. It's important to look up the list of approved tricks for all levels before you begin because even though some are approved for more than one level, each trick can only be used once.

When working with Fauci for his Trick dog titles I played it by ear. He'd already learned many skills and a few tricks but some of those listed on the novice level appeared harder to me than some of the intermediate level ones. For example, it was easy to teach him to take an object out of a box or put an object back in a box but simply asking him to hold the object in his mouth was not easy and didn't come naturally to him. I gave up on that one for now.

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Importing Billy Boy From Belgium

By Ricki-Ellen Brooke



I had a lot to learn before I felt confident bringing Billy to the US from Belgium, and only 6 days to do the trip. Still, it all went much more smoothly than I expected. I won't say it was easy -- the long flights were torturous, with or without a puppy -- but the trip home went without a glitch, and apparently didn't traumatize the little pup; he still loves his Sherpa carrier!

Here's a summary of what I did:

- SAS (round-trip) flight from San Francisco to Brussels (including a 3-hour stopover in Copenhagen)
  - SAS allows puppies at 8 weeks; I did lots of research on airlines; only SAS seemed a sure thing for my 9-week-old puppy even though it involved a stopover in Copenhagen
  - roundtrip on SAS was cheaper than just flying SAS only the one-way home with puppy
- airport hotel in Brussels the first night, since my flight arrived at 8pm.
  - I chose Holiday Inn so I could confirm their dog policy, and airport shuttle, for our trip home (A OK!)
- train to breeder's location an hour away the next morning
  - I didn't want to rent a car, and the breeder was busy working that day; the train was fun!
- hotel in breeder's area while spending 2 days with the breeder and puppies
  - the hotel let me keep the puppy with me so I could accustom him to his Sherpa carrier, leash, and me -- this time together was crucial to our smooth trip home, I am sure!
  - the breeder and I also finalized my puppy's EU Puppy Passport and vet certificate of good health
- airport hotel (Holiday Inn) in Brussels, with Billy, the night before our early morning flight back to US
  - another excellent bonding opportunity before our long flight, including leash and carrier training
  - the breeder insisted on driving us to the hotel, so Billy didn't have to take the train :)
- airport shuttle the next morning, then an hour at the Brussels airport, checking in for our SAS flight
  - SAS clerk questioned Billy's lack of rabies shot, but finally confirmed it was OK due to Billy's age, our destination being the US (not the EU) and the paperwork I had, including proof of his mother's rabies vaccination (breeder's suggestion). Be ready to answer their questions and show your paperwork!



  - Note: even though we changed planes in Copenhagen, Billy was not 'entering' Denmark, an EU country (which would have required proof of rabies vaccination); our import destination was the US, which does not require rabies vaccination if you're coming from a rabies-free country, as is all of the EU -- be prepared to explain this to airline check-in staff if they question the puppy's vaccination status!
  - This was the only time, the whole trip, that Billy's vaccination status, or age, was questioned
- SAS flight from Brussels to Copenhagen went remarkably smoothly; Billy was calm and quiet during this 2-hour flight!

• 4-hour stop-over in Copenhagen airport; I paid extra for SAS Lounge access, since the bathrooms are huge
  ◦ I let Billy out of his carrier in the Lounge bathrooms, to pee on his Wee Wee pads and play a bit!
  ◦ There's also great, free food buffet for us humans, and comfortable seating (puppy must stay in the carrier though, except in the bathrooms ;)



• Eleven-hour SAS flight from Copenhagen to San Francisco; Billy was quiet and slept almost the whole time
  ◦ SAS check-in clerk gave us a seat way in the back, where we had the whole row to ourselves!
  ◦ airplane stewards told me Billy had to stay in his carrier during the flight, but I could take him into the bathroom to give him food and water, which I did several times. He didn't want to use the pee pads in the bathroom, but he didn't wet his carrier (lined with pee pad) until we landed. I don't know how he held it that long (I certainly couldn't)!
• US Customs in San Francisco was uneventful; I offered to show Billy's paperwork, but they just let us go through without checking anything
  ◦ I think offering the paperwork before they asked was what did the trick; be ready to show it!
• We spent the night in Berkeley, where Billy got to meet my grandson and finally pee on grass!
  ◦ our final destination was Seattle, but I thought it better to save that (short) flight for the next day...
• Alaska flight San Francisco to Seattle the next day, 2 hours, was easy; Billy was calm and quiet
  ◦ Alaska has an excellent puppy policy, no questions, easy check-in (must be at counter not online)
• Finally, we took a 2-hour shuttle from Seattle airport to our home in Port Townsend.
  ◦ Billy did not soil his carrier during the flight from San Francisco to Seattle, but peed in the carrier during the drive home. I took him out of the carrier and let him ride on my lap; he was so happy!
• When we finally arrived home, and I let Billy into his 'puppy room', he immediately peed and pooped on the floor, and then ran around checking out the room, his new bed, and all the dog toys -- good dog Billy!



• Bottom line: Billy was comfortable, and mostly sleeping, in his Sherpa carrier for the entire trip from Belgium to Seattle, and stayed clean and dry the whole time until we got home!
  ◦ We used a "Sherpa Original Deluxe Travel Pet Carrier", size medium, which fit nicely under all the airplane seats, and was perfectly comfortable for Billy at 9 weeks of age.



Very Charming William Angel Silvestre "Billy" was bred by Inna and Bart Van De Ven of Angel SIlvestre Kennel in Belgium.
Dam: Amber Von Der Rheidter Laach
Sire: Bell De Monte Salza





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One trick that I didn't expect to come so easily or quickly for him was to "crawl". When he mastered that one he seemed quite pleased with himself. Another trick came about by chance. I wasn't planning to teach him to "freeze/play dead" but one day I'd worked on a couple of tricks with him longer than I should have. I was probably tired and he was getting bored. I gave him a confusing command and he didn't understand what I was asking. So, he rolled on his side flat on the ground as if to surrender and ask for a belly rub and in that moment I realized I'd pushed too much and he was shutting down - so I quickly rewarded him with an excited "Yes!", and came up with a new command word to say along with "good!"'as if he'd just done exactly what I wanted. Luckily, he enthusiastically brightened right up. We ended our lesson then with treats and praise and when I checked it out with him later, he remembered the new word and sign in a positive way and picked up the "freeze/play dead" trick with no trouble. The near shut-down he'd displayed was a well-deserved reminder for me to keep sessions short and fun, and end with positivity. It's also a reminder that even though our Kromfohrlanders may be GENIUS' (lol), it doesn't mean they can read our minds (at least, not always ☺)!



I'm proud to say Fauci earned his first AKC title (Trick Dog Novice) in January, his Intermediate title shortly after, and is now a Trick Dog Advanced (TKA). At some point I may want to try a trick or two with Fauci from the Performer and Elite Performer levels especially since I now have a stash of garage sale kiddie toys that I procured when we started learning tricks. But I don't plan to try for the further trick titles with Fauci. We learned new tricks, strengthened our communication skills, reached a goal, and had fun doing it.



Yes - the sense of achievement after a good performance in a live competition is exciting and validating, and I'll agree that live competition requires a different level of training, skill, and preparation. But, I also believe that interacting with your dog in a fun stress-free atmosphere while striving to meet training and partnership goals is just as meaningful and rewarding as winning first place in an organized public event and can only enhance the loving relationship between you and your dog.

Btw, a few of my favorite tricks with him are "Get me a tissue","Put the ball in the hoop" and "Play a tune"!

You can read all about the virtual titles and their requirements on the AKC website. Your dog's video test must be judged by an AKC approved evaluator which you can find on their website, and also on several Facebook pages.

International Relations



On Sweden's west coast between Boras and Landvetter sets Lena and Anders Vidlund's kennel NALGARD. They run their breeding of Kromfohrlanders in a family environment. By that they mean that the dogs live and sleep under the same roof as them. Together, they have nearly 50 years experience in breeding. Anders points out the importance of following the Swedish Kennel Club's rules for dog care and breeding.





Pelle



Tjorven

"That way, we get a strong and healthy breeding," he explains. Nalgard's kennel also works long-term to get new, healthy breeding material into Sweden. Among other endeavors, they have brought home a fantastic male from Finland, Pelle, who is a Swedish show Champion and a smooth-haired male from Belgium. They are now one of the leading breeders in Sweden and have 10 fantastic Kromfohrlanders.

"What is extra fun is that two of our puppies (Nalgard's Uncle Sam "Tate" and Unni) from Pelle (Krumme Furche Poirot) and Tjorven (Dreamwishes Tjorven) have now moved to the USA. It will be great fun to follow their upbringing," says Lena.



Sharon and Kendall Loree enjoying Lena and Anders' hospitality





Tate Meeting Carolyn



Kendall Loree, Tate & Unni

"Lena was the one who started breeding Kromfohrlanders and she had three when she met me," says Anders. Anders has previously bred Norfolk terriers, Dalmatians and Whippets. According to Anders, the Kromfohrlander is a fantastic breed - nice, happy and incredibly loyal to the family. He adds that it guards by calling out if someone it doesn't know approaches and is a loyal family dog. www.kromfohrlander.nu



Prospective Puppy Homes

"Whether you obtain a dog from me or someone else, I recommend that the breeder of the dog be a member of the AKC parent club for that breed."



Diane Divin is a member of the Kromfohrlander Club of America, co-owns two Kromfohrlanders and is an AKC Judge. Diane has been involved with Salukis for over 40 years, is a respected breeder, and the President of the Saluki Club of America. When asked for her advice and wisdom on how she goes about interviewing prospective puppy homes, Diane provided the following excerpts of recent email exchanges with a potential buyer, along with the questionnaire she uses.

Diane:

1. I will need to do a home check by either myself or a designated person. Is that fine with you?
2. I would like to see pictures of you, your family, your home and property if you would not mind sending me these. I like putting faces to names and seeing what you are describing. Please send these via email when you send this questionnaire back with your information.
3. I will need veterinarian contact information. What veterinarian have you used in the past and how do I contact them? Please give the veterinarian permission to speak with me.
4. Please supply 2 references (Saluki owners, friends, neighbors, dog trainers, etc. but no immediate family please). These are people who know you well enough to recommend you as a good dog owner. Please supply name, phone, email, address and how you know them:

The prospective puppy owner, Mike, agreed to comply with the above requests and filled out the questinaire.

Diane:

Your references were excellent, so I am very happy to have you on the puppy list! To do this there are just two more steps.

1. I would like to schedule a home visit sometime in the next couple of weeks, whenever it is convenient for you. Please recommend some days and times that work for you two. I work from home so my schedule is reasonably flexible.
2. I will need to pick up the deposit while I am there. … You also may want to do a home visit here at our house and if so, I am happy to schedule that as well.

Prospective Puppy Owner, Mike:

I must confess that the process for finding a Saluki has changed substantially. When we got our first Salukis, we saw ads, scheduled a visit to the breeders, visited, and picked out a puppy. At that time, the prevailing advice we got was to be sure to check out the breeder - make sure they had pure bred dogs, pedigrees, that the dogs were healthy, that they weren't dumping rare dogs or selling to pet stores. So we would like to meet you, and get a better understanding of expectations, and the process for picking a puppy. In the past, we have seen litters, and the puppies we ended up with either picked us, or our daughters. Just came to us, spoke to us, and we had them until they passed away. I am also curious about the objective of a home visit, as we have never experienced that before. So if you can accommodate a visit to see your dogs, and have further conversations, we would appreciate it.

Diane:

Mike, your question is very valid. I remember when I was young, we had a poodle that we bred to a friend's poodle, and we sold the puppies and never saw the dogs or the owners again. That was common then. I think that the problem of people dumping their dogs and shelters being so full of dogs that there was no way to find many of them homes was the start of the major changes. The euthanizing of dogs became a terrible consequence.

This started the AKC asking all parent clubs of a breed to require all members to be responsible for any dog they breed for the rest of its life. I remember when this occurred, as a couple of members of the Saluki Club of America quit the club because they did not want to comply. This also started the movement against selling puppies in pet stores because the stores had to acquire the dogs from what we call puppy mills, as no responsible breeder was allowed to sell to a pet store because you couldn't keep track of where the dogs went. Then the laws against puppy mills were strengthened, and many got out of the business. Also, somewhere along the way, the parent clubs began emphasizing how important it was to understand genetics and pedigrees in order to produce the healthiest offspring. AKC now even gives classes online for almost everything a breeder needs to know. If you go to shelters now, there are very few purebred dogs in them.

All of these changes have resulted in breeders with significantly more knowledge, an understanding of how important it is to place their puppies in really good homes and sold with contracts that require that if the dog cannot be kept for any reason, that the breeder be contacted and the breeder either takes the dog back or approves of the home it is going to. Now days, you rarely hear of a breeder who belongs to an AKC parent club of their breed, not taking a dog back. If that occurs, and other members become aware, it is reported to the board of the club.

I hope this explains the history of the changes and why they occurred. What a breeder hopes to do on a home visit is to get to know the possible new owners a bit more, see where the dog will live, see the height and sturdiness of the fence for the dogs safety, and continue developing a good communication with the new owners so that they will be comfortable contacting the breeder if they have questions or problems. Well-educated breeders usually can solve issues that might pop up. I look forward to meeting with ya'll!

This is a questionnaire for prospective puppy owners of Salukis bred by Awn Salukis.

WHY A QUESTIONNAIRE: The information you supply will be the first step in helping me get to know you and match you up with the right Saluki, or if you might need to consider a different breed, I can also make suggestions in that avenue as well. My goal is to ensure that any Saluki I breed goes to the right home and is part of the family I place it with for its entire life, and that everyone, dog and people, are a great match. We will be talking about how you see a dog fitting into your family, training, preferences, etc. Once we have discussed everything, I will check references you provide and have either myself or someone I designate do a home visit.

1. Have you had a Saluki or another sighthound before? If not, why do you want a Saluki? Did you consider other breeds? How does everyone in your household feel about the addition of a Saluki to your home?

2. What are the ages and gender and relationships of your household?

3. Who in your family will be the primary person responsible for the daily care of the dog, training the dog, ensuring it has proper nutrition and veterinary care?

4. How would you describe your household activity level? Quiet or Easygoing or Active or Very Active?

5. What dogs or cats currently reside in your home? List breed, sex, age, and if they are spayed or neutered.

6. What dogs have you owned in the last 15 years other than those above? How long did each live?

7. Are there any other animals in your home or on your property?

8. Have you or any person in your household been suspended privileges by the AKC? If yes, please supply details.

Living Arrangements:

1. What type of home do you have? House, apartment, mobile home, condo, etc.?

2. Do you own your home or are you renting?

3. Are you located in an urban or rural area?

4. The dogs location and living conditions:

a. Where will the dog spend most of its time?

b. Where will the dog be when the family is away from the home? Do all adults work outside of the home on a regular basis? What arrangements are made for a puppy to relieve itself during that time? What arrangements will be made when it is an adult if that time period is longer than 8 hours?

c. Where will the dog be when someone is at home?

d. Where will the dog sleep?

5. Have you ever used a dog crate? What did you use it for?

6. When the family will be away from home overnight, and the dog remains at home, what type of arrangements would be made for the dog?

7. Is your property securely fenced? How high is your fence? What is the fence made of? Do you have locks on all gates?



Mitzi's Idea of Spring



Olaf's Idea of Spring



Questionnaire Continued

8. What size of property will your dog have to exercise itself? (1 acre, ½ acre, ¼ acre, 1/8 acre, 1,000 square feet, etc.)

Your Dog & Expectations:

1. Puppy or Adult

2. Male or Female

3. Physical Attributes You Desire

4. Predominately Pet/Companion or Also a Show or Performance Dog? Please share what you want to do with this puppy and what your experience is in showing or performance.

5. Do you plan to Spay or Neuter your dog?

6. What type of personality are you looking for in your dog?

7. Have you ever had behavior problems with a dog in the past? How did you handle these?

8. Have you ever returned a dog to a breeder or rehomed a dog? What were the circumstances that led to this decision?

In addition to the above questionnaire, Diane also delves into the intricasies of her breed, including, but not limted to, grooming, teeth cleaning, veterinarian care, exercise and training.

Volhard's Puppy Aptitude Testing



Courtesy of Wendy Volhard

And A Special Thank You To Carolyn Noteman For Asking

HOW TO TEST

Here are the ground rules for performing the test:

• The testing is done in a location unfamiliar to the puppies. This does not mean they have to be taken away from home. A 10-foot square area is perfectly adequate, such as a room in the house where the puppies have not been.
• The puppies are tested one at a time.
• There are no other dogs or people, except the scorer and the tester, in the testing area
• The puppies do not know the tester.
• The scorer is a disinterested third party and not the person interested in selling you a puppy.
• The scorer is unobtrusive and positions him or herself so he or she can observe the puppies' responses without having to move.
• The puppies are tested before they are fed.
• The puppies are tested when they are at their liveliest.
• Do not try to test a puppy that is not feeling well.
• Puppies should not be tested the day of or the day after being vaccinated.
• Only the first response counts!

Top Dog Tips: During the test, watch the puppy's tail. It will make a difference in the scoring whether the tail is up or down.

The tests are simple to perform and anyone with some common sense can do them. You can, however, elicit the help of someone who has tested puppies before and knows what they are doing.

1. Social attraction - the owner or caretaker of the puppies places it in the test area about four feet from the tester and then leaves the test area. The tester kneels down and coaxes the puppy to come to him or her by encouragingly and gently clapping hands and calling. The tester must coax the puppy in the opposite direction from where it entered the test area. Hint: Lean backward, sitting on your heels instead of leaning forward toward the puppy. Keep your hands close to your body encouraging the puppy to come to you instead of trying to reach for the puppy.

2. Following - the tester stands up and slowly walks away encouraging the puppy to follow. Hint: Make sure the puppy sees you walk away and get the puppy to focus on you by lightly clapping your hands and using verbal encouragement to get the puppy to follow you. Do not lean over the puppy.

3. Restraint - the tester crouches down and gently rolls the puppy on its back and holds it on its back for 30 seconds. Hint: Hold the puppy down without applying too much pressure. The object is not to keep it on its back but to test its response to being placed in that position.

4. Social Dominance - let the puppy stand up or sit and gently stroke it from the head to the back while you crouch beside it. See if it will lick your face, an indication of a forgiving nature. Continue stroking until you see a behaviour you can score. Hint: When you crouch next to the puppy avoid leaning or hovering over the puppy. Have the puppy at your side with both of you facing in the same direction.

Top Dog Tips: During testing maintain a positive, upbeat and friendly attitude toward the puppies. Try to get each puppy to interact with you to bring out the best in him or her. Make the test a pleasant experience for the puppy.

5. Elevation Dominance - the tester cradles the puppy with both hands, supporting the puppy under its chest and gently lifts it two feet off the ground and holds it there for 30 seconds.

6. Retrieving - the tester crouches beside the puppy and attracts its attention with a crumpled up piece of paper. When the puppy shows some interest, the tester throws the paper no more than four feet in front of the puppy encouraging it to retrieve the paper.

7. Touch Sensitivity - the tester locates the webbing of one the puppy's front paws and presses it lightly between his index finger and thumb. The tester gradually increases pressure while counting to ten and stops when the puppy pulls away or shows signs of discomfort.

8. Sound Sensitivity - the puppy is placed in the centre of the testing area and an assistant stationed at the perimeter makes a sharp noise, such as banging a metal spoon on the bottom of a metal pan.

9. Sight Sensitivity - the puppy is placed in the centre of the testing area. The tester ties a string around a bath towel and jerks it across the floor, two feet away from the puppy.

10. Stability - an umbrella is opened about five feet from the puppy and gently placed on the ground.

SCORING THE RESULTS

Following are the responses you will see and the score assigned to each particular response. You will see some variations and will have to make a judgment on what score to give them.

Test	Response	Score
SOCIAL ATTRACTION	Came readily, tail up, jumped, bit at hands	1
	Came readily, tail up, pawed, licked at hands	2
	Came readily, tail up	3
	Came readily, tail down	4
	Came hesitantly, tail down	5
	Didn't come at all	6
FOLLOWING	Followed readily, tail up, got underfoot, bit at feet	1
		2
	Followed readily, tail up, got underfoot	3
	Followed readily, tail up	4
	Followed readily, tail down	5
	Followed hesitantly, tail down	6
RESTRAINT	Did not follow or went away	1
	Struggled fiercely, flailed, bit	2
	Struggled fiercely, flailed	3
	Settled, struggled, settled with some eye contact	4
	Struggled, then settled	5
SOCIAL DOMINANCE	No struggle	6
	No struggle, strained to avoid eye contact	1
	Jumped, pawed, bit, growled	2
	Jumped, pawed	3
	Cuddled up to tester and tried to lick face	4
	Squirmed, licked at hands	5
	Rolled over, licked at hands	6
ELEVATION DOMINANCE	Went away and stayed away	1
	Struggled fiercely, tried to bite	
	Struggled fiercely	2
	Struggled, settled, struggled, settled	3
	No struggle, relaxed	4
	No struggle, body stiff	5
	No struggle, froze	6

RETRIEVING	Chased object, picked it up and ran away	1
	Chased object, stood over it and did not return	2
	Chased object, picked it up and returned with it to tester	3
	Chased object and returned without it to tester	4
	Started to chase object, lost interest	5
TOUCH SENSITIVITY	Does not chase object	6
	8-10 count before response	1
	6-8 count before response	2
	5-6 count before response	3
	3-5 count before response	4
	2-3 count before response	5
SOUND SENSITIVITY	1-2 count before response	6
	Listened, located sound and ran toward it barking	1
	Listened, located sound and walked slowly toward it	2
	Listened, located sound and showed curiosity	3
	Listened and located sound	4
SIGHT SENSITIVITY	Cringed, backed off and hid behind tester 5	5
	Ignored sound and showed no curiosity	6
	Looked, attacked and bit object	1
	Looked and put feet on object and put mouth on it	2
	Looked with curiosity and attempted to investigate, tail up	3
	Looked with curiosity, tail down	4
	Ran away or hid behind tester	5
STABILITY	Hid behind tester	6
	Looked and ran to the umbrella, mouthing or biting it	1
	Looked and walked to the umbrella, smelling it cautiously	2
	Looked and went to investigate	3
	Sat and looked, but did not move toward the umbrella	4
	Showed little or no interest	5
	Ran away from the umbrella	6

WHAT DO THE SCORES MEAN?

The scores are interpreted as follows:

Mostly 1's

Strong desire to be pack leader and is not shy about bucking for a promotion
Has a predisposition to be aggressive to people and other dogs and will bite
Should only be placed into a very experienced home where the dog will be trained and worked on a regular basis

Top Dog Tips: Stay away from the puppy with a lot of 1's or 2's. It has lots of leadership aspirations and may be difficult to manage. This puppy needs an experienced home. Not good with children.

Mostly 2's

Also has leadership aspirations
May be hard to manage and has the capacity to bite
Has lots of self-confidence
Should not be placed into an inexperienced home
Too unruly to be good with children and elderly people, or other animals
Needs strict schedule, loads of exercise and lots of training
Has the potential to be a great show dog with someone who understands dog behavior

Mostly 3's

Can be a high-energy dog and may need lots of exercise
Good with people and other animals
Can be a bit of a handful to live with
Needs training, does very well at it and learns quickly
Great dog for second time owner.

Mostly 4's

The kind of dog that makes the perfect pet
Best choice for the first time owner.
Rarely will buck for a promotion in the family
Easy to train, and rather quiet.
Good with elderly people, children, although may need protection from the children
Choose this pup, take it to obedience classes, and you'll be the star, without having to do too much work!
Titbits: The puppy with mostly 3's and 4's can be quite a handful, but should be good with children and does well with training. Energy needs to be dispersed with plenty of exercise.

Mostly 5's

Fearful, shy and needs special handling
Will run away at the slightest stress in its life
Strange people, strange places, different floor or ground surfaces may upset it
Often afraid of loud noises and terrified of thunder storms. When you greet it upon your return, may submissively urinate. Needs a very special home where the environment
doesn't change too much and where there are no children
Best for a quiet, elderly couple
If cornered and cannot get away, has a tendency to bite

Top Dog Tips: Avoid the puppy with several 6's. It is so independent it doesn't need you or anyone. He is his own person and unlikely to bond to you.

Mostly 6's

So independent that he doesn't need you or other people
Doesn't care if he is trained or not - he is his own person Unlikely to bond to you, since he doesn't need you.
A great guard dog for gas stations!
Do not take this puppy and think you can change him into a lovable bundle - you can't, so leave well enough alone

INTERPRETING THE SCORES

Few puppies will test with all 2's or all 3's - there will be a mixture of scores.

For that first time, wonderfully easy to train, potential star, look for a puppy that scores with mostly 4's and 3's. Don't worry about the score on Touch Sensitivity - you can compensate for that with the right training equipment.

Titbits: It's hard not to become emotional when picking a puppy - they are all so cute, soft and cuddly. Remind yourself that this dog is going to be with you for 8 to 16 years. Don't hesitate to step back a little to contemplate your decision. Sleep on it and review it in the light of day.

Avoid the puppy with a score of 1 on the Restraint and Elevation tests. This puppy will be too much for the first time owner.

It's a lot more fun to have a good dog, one that is easy to train, one you can live with and one you can be proud of, than one that is a constant struggle.

Never in my life could I believe this would happen, and it did.



Travel Tips For Pet Parents

by Tiffany Masters

My sister worked at TSA at the Sacramento, CA airport, and a pup was left in the carrier bag when going through security! The pup stuff goes through the scanner, NOT THE PUP! TSA people will instruct you to walk through with the pup; they will never tell you to put it through the scanner as that could be extremely detrimental to your fur baby!

Here are the things that I do/take when flying with a dog or a puppy, especially those in the 8-to-12-week range.

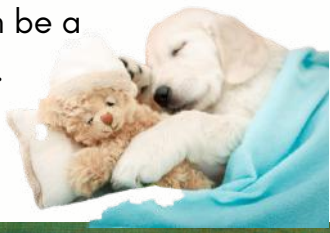


- **The travel carrier/bag.** First and foremost, I make sure the soft carrier will fit under the seat. I like to travel with either the Sherpa brand bag or Samsonite. Rules and airline policies change so I always double check with the airline to make sure I have an acceptable carrier/bag size.
- **Potty pads.** Used to cover the bottom of carrier. I put some in the carrier pouch and I also put some in my carry on.



- **Penis wrap for boys, panties for girls size XS or XXS.** If you are on long flights, they may not be able to hold it, and wraps/panties are very helpful. In both the wrap for the boys and panties for girls I put a small regular size feminine pad (not panty liner) I like the Always brand. If they urinate, the wrap or the panty by itself will not be near enough to keep the pee from soaking through. It is much easier to change the wrap or the panty then the entire bag. I also keep spare pads, wrap or panty in the pouch or my carry on.
- **Wipes.** If they have an accident, or if you are on a layover at an airport and you take them out to potty, wipes for feet and/or their private parts are a must!
- **Bowl for water.** Flying is very dehydrating not only for humans for dogs/pups also. A collapsible dog bowl is ideal. When I'm through security, I purchase a bottle of water so when I need it, I have it, and I don't have to wait for a flight attendant.
- **Food.** I pack food for the flight and take extra in my carry-on. Just in case luggage gets lost, having the food they have been eating is a blessing. You want to have plenty on hand in case you get stuck somewhere and can't readily go out and get some. Changing their food while traveling will almost always cause diarrhea.

A few final thoughts. Flights can be very cold and having a light sweater for the puppy is a good idea. I also travel with a blanket in the carrier and one in my carry-on. Collars can be a choking hazard, so I only use a harness and non-retractable leads when traveling.



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Introducing

YOUR NEW PUPPY

Thoughtful care when introducing a new puppy into a household with another dog, or multiple dogs, will pay lasting behavior dividends.



Before bringing a new puppy home, one of the most important pieces of the puzzle is to know your current dogs - really know them inside and out - and be as confident as possible that they are of a temperament to be accepting of another member of the pack. The following assumes that is the case. If it is not the case, it might be best to re-think whether a new puppy is right for you.

A puppy playpen situated in the midst of all your household action is essential. This is where your puppy will stay while your other dog or dogs are free to move about the house as usual. I like to plan that the very first time my adult dogs see the puppy they are lavished with praise and treats, while puppy is ignored. This gives them the idea, right off the bat, that the puppy means good things happen. During those first days, I often use my marker (yes! - treat) at the moment my adult dog chooses to look at the puppy.

Keeping the puppy safely separate from the adult dogs during introductions gives them the opportunity to become familiar with each other. Providing all dogs with enrichment (chewies, kongs, lick mats) to be enjoyed safely in proximity is ideal, and teaches them each other's stuff is not available for poaching. It also allows them to practice being calm around each other.

You cannot over-do classical conditioning in the early days. This means all the dogs, including the puppy, are rewarded simply for being physically close together, no particular behavior requested or required. I suggest switching your position back and forth from inside to outside the puppy pen when doing this. Happy serene voice and lots of praise for nice calm behavior together.

Top: Diesel and Kosh Gryffin and Gemma

When you want to work on puppy behaviors (luring puppy push-ups, handling exercises, and so on) do this away from the other dogs for a while rather than have them watch. This gives you one-on-one time with puppy without the pressure of the adult dogs on you or the pup. Be certain your adult dogs do get all the attention they need and are accustomed to. Also, do ensure the puppy gets some alone-time training each day.

The next step? A parallel walk! Harness them all up and out the door - the whole pack moving forward together. This is invaluable for creating a sense of togetherness and cooperation.





When the time is right to allow free interaction, do it with lots of space (outside is great) and supervise supervise supervise. Have a pocketful of the yummiest treats.







How long to keep this set-up going? It depends on how the individuals are responding to each and your own good judgement. It may be days, or as long as a couple of months. Interrupt any rough play with a happy voice. When they all look to you (because you have already primed them via classical conditioning - right?) use your marker/treat to settle them before allowing play to resume. Interrupt frequently, for no reason at all. In a multi-dog household the name of the game is for each dog to refer, then defer to you and make the decision that you are the leader. When you have successfully gotten this message across, peace will reign.



love & joy



Left to Right Top: Lucy, Mai Tai, Chevy Bottom: Odin, Knox, Bob, Scoop
























28 Marty, Hannah, Abbey, Luna, Charlotte, Love, Billy, Fauci, Josie, Quincy, Olaf, Fisher



























30 Moxie, Mitzi, Oskar, Merin, Willow, Phoebe, Paddy, Dreamer, Remi, Wattson, Bodhi, Bing














Tyler, Pazlé, Tolly, Jazz, Summer, Taavi, Gretl, Ilse, Stormi, Ainsley, Elsie, Eloise

Let's play - iSPY



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- The Kromfohrlander Dreamer with a donut over his eyes (lol)
- The Jack Russel Terrier
- The Saluki
- The Anatolian
- The Smooth Collie
- The Berger Picard
- The Borzois
- The Yellow Labrador Retriever
- The Basset Fauve de Bretagne
- The Registered Therapy Dog
- Luna (the puppy) twice
- The White Cat
- Tigger
- Ask Me About My Kromfohrlander shirts
- The Mouse
- The Word "ancestry"
- The Word "frisbee"
- The Word "intoxicating"
- The Word "Cringed"
- The Word "Flyball"
- The Word "Dalmations"

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