

**AMERICAN PORTUGUESE PODENGO
MEDIORGRANDE CLUB
APPMGC**



President Diana McCarty – Secretary Glenda Downing.
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MISSION STATEMENT

The purpose of the American Portuguese Podengo Medio/Grande Club (APPMGC) (known here as the Club) is to encourage and provide education in the breeding of purebred Portuguese Podengo Medio/Grande's of both coat varieties in accordance with the APPMGC breed standard and to represent the Portuguese Podengo Medio/Grande with the American Kennel Club as the Parent Breed Club.

The APPMGC will do all in its power to protect and advance the interests of the Portuguese Podengo Medio/Grande and to encourage sportsman-like competition in dog events. The APPMGC will promote the qualities of the breed to its membership and the general public through communications, publications, educational seminars, and positive approaches.

The APPMGC is dedicated to the promotion, showing, breeding and advancement of the Portuguese Podengo Medio/Grande towards AKC recognition through special events, educational programs, as well as championing research to health related issues.

In recognition of the rarity and limited gene pool of the Podengo in many sizes but most particularly the Grande, the APPMGC, will continue to work with Portuguese Breeders and others committed to the recovery of these sizes in Portugal and in the United States to identify registered dogs, collect DNA and evaluate pedigrees to increase genetic diversity. In addition the APPMGC supports the limited use of animals with RI designation as determined by the Club in the country of origin within a carefully controlled process to ensure the survival of the breed.

History

The first calling, via the early internet, for interested parties to join the Portuguese Podengo Medio Club of America went out in July 1995 with a Usenet thread in rec.pets.dogs.breeds.

In Summer 1996 it had a logo, a Portuguese Podengo Medio kennel list in Portugal, three willing Portuguese translators and a passionate (but not quite certain or rich) group of interested Americans.

Along with the internet's growth, came the information required for these folks to finally acquire imported Podengo Medios.

Most of these people would eventually form the base of another club, The Great Lakes Portuguese Podengo Club.

The GLPPC had its initial public representation in September 2005 at the Livonia MI Kennel Club dog show in Belleville MI at the Wayne County Fairgrounds. There they were given the opportunity to exhibit Podengos Pequeno and Medio in an AKC match in breed and then alongside other AKC breeds in the hound (match) group.

GLPPC started planning its first big public event in December 2005 which resulted in their first large-scale decorated informational bench showing in January 2006 at the UKC show in Novi MI.



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There GLPPC presented the Podengos Pequeno and Medio to the public in a well-advertised and attended event that also attracted many judges and AKC exhibitors to meet these dogs in particular, despite the weather.

In March 2006 a GLPPC member produced the first Podengo Medio whelp in North America and throughout that year, GLPPC represented and networked its budding club with others.

The GLPPC incorporated as an official club of record in November 2006 and its first official meeting was shortly thereafter, around December 28 in Jackson, MI.

GLPPC, Inc had subsequent club meetings throughout 2006 in Clinton, MI, Marshall, MI and Grass Lake, MI. Business included fund raising, further networking with a Yahoo Group and building a proper website for the club.

GLPPC, Inc again hosted a breed informational booth at the January UKC show in 2007.

In early 2007 GLPPC, Inc held a well publicized judges educational seminar through the AKC Battle Creek Kennel Club in Battle Creek, MI.

In June 2007 UKC graciously brought in Portuguese judge and Portuguese Podengo Club of Portugal president Vitor Veiga to judge Podengos at the UKC Premier dog show for GLPPC, Inc's first Breed Club Specialty, complete with trophies made by a pottery artisan and club member.

GLPPC, Inc hosted an extensive breed educational booth, club dinner at a local restaurant, food tent and very successful raffle tent.

For the remainder of 2007 GLPPC, Inc members continued to represent the club and the Podengos Pequeno and Medio in AKC matches (Battle Creek Kennel Club, Marshall MI in July and Livonia Kennel Club, Chelsea, MI in September), giving out its own informational flyers designed by a professional graphic artist and club member.

In March 2008 GLPPC, Inc was proud to be invited to represent Podengos Pequeno and Medio at the extremely well attended and prestigious Detroit Kennel Club Benched show in Detroit MI with our extensive breed educational booth, the dogs and a breed educational seminar.

In early 2008 GLPPC, Inc agreed to be enveloped into the new American Portuguese Podengo Medio/Grande Club and American Portuguese Podengo Pequeno Club.

HOW THE PODENGO GOT ITS NAME

The word Podengo was used in Portugal at least as early as the 16th century to refer to pack-hunting dogs. The full name then was Podengo de Mostra (the Mostra part referring to a pack). Over time, this was shortened to Podengo and referred to multi-sensory, endurance-trotting, pack-hunting dogs. The Portuguese do not have a word for hound, so use the word Podengo as a specific term for the kind of primitive, prick-eared, hunting dogs that were distributed around the Mediterranean basin 2,000 years ago by the Phoenicians.

Podengos (Medio and Pequeno) hunt rabbits, which in Portugal live mostly in rock crevices and thick briars, rather than in underground warrens. The Medio works in tandem with the smaller Pequeno—whose job to flush rabbits from crevices and dense briars, as well as to chase, track, kill and retrieve the rabbit. The larger and sturdier Podengo Grande – hunts Boar and Stag although will make short order of any rabbit that crosses it's path as well.

In England they have taken to calling the Podengo *Warren Hounds*, but we prefer the real name - Portuguese Podengo. There are three types of Podengos -- Pequeno, Medio and Grande. In the United States the Medio and Grande size are considered one breed based on you can get both sizes in a litter and the overlapping of the size standard. So for our purposes in the US the breed is split in two known as the Portuguese Podengo Pequeno and the Portuguese Podengo (medio & grande).

The Pequeno, or "small" Podengo, is not a "go to ground dog" but rather a fearless flusher of rabbits from dense brush and crevices. Back in the 15th -18th centuries, this trait made its ancestors ideal ratters, and they served that purpose sailing with the Portuguese explorers on their voyages of discovery. As a result, the Podengo spread its genetic influence around the world, and also picked up some influences from other breeds, which have by now largely disappeared, making the breed true to the Podengo type.

So that's what's in the name!

OFFICERS AND BOARD
2 year terms expire 12/31/2024:

OFFICERS AND BOARD
President Diana McCarty
Vice President – Kristi Pope
Secretary - Glenda Downing
Treasurer Joke Tucker
Board – Veronica Miller
Board - Barb Patterson
Board - Colton Cheney
Board – Lorri Niskala

Newsletter - Veronica Miller
Nomination Chair – Ginger Bowles.





5 YEAR PLAN APPMGC

- The Club is to establish a plan which will be submitted with the request for Full Recognition which includes:

A. Encouraging the breeders to continue to breed which will increase the number of litters registered annually.

This is a several part action. First we talk to each other about our breeding plans and strive to import dogs that will add to the available genetic diversity and we offer those dogs to each other without charge. We try to time our litters so we spread them out throughout the year. Litters and breeding plans are announced on our club website and on our FB pages. The club maintains an extensive pedigree program to assist in increasing diversity. In addition many have joined the Good Dog Breeder program where litters are also announced and when they are able, post on the AKC market place.

We have several dogs in commercials (bud light Superbowl) ,movies (Second Hand Lions, Zeus and Roxanne etc) print media (target ad for Halloween costumes). We use social media to promote sightings to garner interest in the breed. We have had several articles about the Podengo in various publication as well as some magazine ads where we highlight the versatility of the breed. We have Podengos on the last year canceled international flyball qualifying team and in Canada performing in Superdogs. In addition to their success in Dock Diving and Therapy and Service Dogs Agility, Coursing – all systems.

Increasing visibility increases demand which then translates into additional litters.

B. Encouraging breeders to register dogs which will increase individual dog registrations annually.

Sometimes the challenge has been that while a litter has been registered not all the individual dogs were registered. To that end the club actively encourages breeders to do a Litter plus where the litter and all of the puppies are recorded prior to going to new homes. That ensures individual registration. The larger challenge is that in areas of the country where there is a population of Portuguese they exchange dogs with family members in Portugal and breed for their own purposes. We have worked with several hunters and have oral pedigrees that connect about 30 or 40 of these dogs to LOP registered dogs and in the future we will need to include those dogs in our stud book. The hunters in the US do not register their dogs and they are reticent to do so. They need a dog that catches rabbits - for– them AKC registration is meaningless. However the dogs they produce sometimes end up in shelters in NY, CT, MA, RI and CA and we end up supporting with information and training tips. Some of these dogs have gotten PAL numbers and do companion events. Since this is NOT a breed that is registered in enormous numbers in the country of origin where they can compete and make a CH without a full 3 generation pedigree – they see no need to do so there – which impacts what we can import. They have a specific process within the FCI to evaluate and give dogs an RI number. We anticipate much like the Basenji African Project, we will need to establish a process of similar evaluation in the US to continue to maintain a viable population. (We actually have a procedure that has been approved by our board and membership over 5 years ago.)

In addition we have presented at Podengo Seminars in Portugal to help Portuguese breeders understand the importance of a 3 generation pedigree if they plan to send a dog to the United States.

If we have people in Europe who want to get one of our dogs, we need to also register them with FCI Puerto Rico so we have an acceptable pedigree for FCI countries as most will not accept an FSS recording for their purposes. It is an added expense for breeders because we have to register the lineage not just one dog. This



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is a challenge when we want to enter into arrangements with international breeders (where these animals are) if we have to double register our dogs, that reduces the available dollars to spend on breeding litters here.

C. Encourage new owners of the breed to join the Parent Club, increasing the club membership.

Everyone who gets a Podengo gets membership in the club which they typically renew. Several of our members have animals that have PAL numbers or ARBA or UKC registered dogs and we invite them as well as adopters of rescues to participate. In addition whenever we are at a show or event or meet the breed – we find people who support the breed, anticipate getting one in the future and want to be involved in events and activities to help the breed advance. We also have had judges interested in helping move our breed forward who join the club as supporters.

E. Breeders to encourage new dog owners to participate in AKC events with their dogs, increasing unique dogs participating annually.

The club provides medallions for any dog that completes a CM. Those winners are posted on our website in an album and we have also, for those dogs bred overseas, sent medallions to those breeders. Everyone who competes in a sport is always recruiting others. The largest barrier here is that as an FSS Breed, once a dog gets a Certificate of Merit, there is nothing else for them to get so hard to sustain interest in attending shows when you are not eligible for Owner Handler, Best Bred By, and Veteran etc. To encourage people we try to do at least 1 Open Show a year and have wonderful prizes and recognition for people to bring out their retired dogs. The double edge sword is to get out new dogs, means you put away old dogs so there is not an increase in number competing just different dogs.

The Club and individual members have provided cash prizes at open shows in CT and WA to encourage participation of all FSS breeds in Open Shows.

The Club organized a Catalog add for the most recent Westminster Kennel Club Dog show with FSS breed club logos as well as a QR Code that directed people to the FSS section of the AKC for additional information on breed and process.

F. Encourage the establishment of local specialty clubs.

To encourage participation we try to connect new exhibitors with mentors in the breed or in other hound breeds. Sometimes we travel to help people establish interest and help them to enter and participate in activities. With our current population I would expect that our first Specialty Clubs would be in Minnesota, and Colorado, followed closely by SW and NW. When admitted to the Hound Group it is our intent to do supported entries in areas where clubs may well form.



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Certificate
Articles of Inc
Certificate of Good standing.



State of Minnesota

SECRETARY OF STATE

CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION

I, Mark Ritchie, Secretary of State of Minnesota, do certify that: Articles of Incorporation, duly signed and acknowledged under oath, have been filed on this date in the Office of the Secretary of State, for the incorporation of the following corporation, under and in accordance with the provisions of the chapter of Minnesota Statutes listed below.

This corporation is now legally organized under the laws of Minnesota.

Corporate Name: American Portuguese Podedo
MedioGrande Club

Corporate Charter Number: 3772476-2

Chapter Formed Under: 317A

This certificate has been issued on 03/25/2010.



Mark Ritchie
Secretary of State.



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MINNESOTA SECRETARY OF STATE
MINNESOTA NONPROFIT CORPORATION
ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 317A
Filing Fee \$70.00



READ THE INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE COMPLETING THIS FORM.

A nonprofit corporation that wishes to apply for tax exempt status under 501(c)(3) to the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) cannot use this form for its articles due to the fact that the IRS has additional language requirements. See the instructions for further information.

The undersigned incorporator(s) is an (are) individual(s) 18 years of age or older, and adopts the following articles of incorporation:

ARTICLE I - NAME

American Portuguese Podego MedioGrande Club

Name of Corporation: (Required)

ARTICLE II - REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT

The Registered Office Address of the Corporation is: (Required)

803 Circle Drive Buffalo MN 55313
Street Address (A PO Box by itself is not acceptable) City State Zip

The Registered Agent at the above address is:

STATE OF MINNESOTA
DEPARTMENT OF STATE
FILED

MAR 25 2010

Agent's Name (A registered agent is not required.)

Monke Ritchie
Secretary of State

ARTICLE III - INCORPORATORS

I (We), the undersigned incorporator(s) certify that I am (we are) authorized to sign these articles and that the information in these articles is true and correct. I (We) also understand that if any of this information is intentionally or knowingly misstated that criminal penalties will apply as if I (we) had signed these articles under oath. (Provide the name and address of each incorporator. Each incorporator must sign below. List the incorporators on an additional sheet if you have more than two incorporators.)

Table with 6 columns: Incorporator's Name, Street Address, City, State, Zip, Signature. Rows include Diana McCarty, Bonnie Hathcock, and Krisen McCarty.

List a name, daytime phone number, and e-mail address of a person who can be contacted about this form.

Diana McCarty 763-682-4699 dmccarty100@gmail.com
Contact Name Phone Number E-Mail Address

Business Record Details »

Minnesota Business Name

American Portuguese Podego MedioGrande Club

Business Type

Nonprofit Corporation (Domestic)

MN Statute

317A

File Number

3772476-2

Home Jurisdiction

Minnesota

Filing Date

03/25/2010

Status

Active / In Good Standing

Renewal Due Date

12/31/2022

Registered Office Address

803 Circle Drv
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Registered Agent(s)

(Optional) Currently No Agent

President

Diana Maria McCarty
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Constitution & By Laws
(including officer duties)
Code of Ethics



American Portuguese Podengo Medio/Grande Club

Constitution and By-Laws

Constitution

Article I

Section 1. The name of the Club shall be:

The American Portuguese Podengo Medio/Grande Club (APPMGC).

Section 2. The American Portuguese Podengo Medio/Grande Club shall hereafter be referred to as the Club.

Section 3. Officers or locations for the transaction of business shall be at such places as the Board of Directors determines.

Section 4. The objects of the Club shall be:

- (a) To encourage and promote quality in the breeding of purebred Portuguese Podengo Medio/Grande from both coat varieties in accordance with the Portuguese Podengo Medio/Grande Breed Standard of the American Portuguese Podengo Medio/Grande Club.
- (b) To urge members and breeders to accept the Standard of the Portuguese Podengo Medio/Grande Breed as approved by the American Kennel Club as the only standard of excellence by which the Portuguese Podengo Medio/Grande shall be judged.
- (c) To encourage breeders and owners to register their Portuguese Podengo Medio/Grande and litters with the American Kennel Club.
- (d) To encourage the organization of independent local Portuguese Podengo Medio/Grande Specialty Clubs in those areas where there are sufficient fanciers of the breed.
- (e) To conduct matches, regional Club shows, performance events and hold a yearly specialty show.
- (f) To have available Portuguese Podengo Medio/Grande educational materials to breed fanciers and judges.
- (g) To hold Judge and Breeder Seminars throughout the United States.
- (h) To do all in its power to protect and advance the interests of the breed and to encourage sportsman-like competition at dog shows and obedience trials.

Section 5. The Club shall not be conducted or operated for profit and no part of any profits or remainder or residue from dues or donations to the Club shall inure to the benefit of any member or individual.

Section 6. The Club shall be permitted ownership of real or intangible properties for its own use, including generation of revenues for the sole purpose of supporting activities and acquisitions of the Club.

Section 7. The members of the Club shall adopt and may from time to time revise such By-Laws as may be required to carry out these objects.

By-Laws

Article I

Section 1. Membership – Type and Eligibility

Membership to the APPMGC is open to anyone who wishes to join.

Voting membership shall be open to all persons 18 years of age or older who are residents of the United States, in good standing with the American Kennel Club, who subscribe to the purpose of this Club and agree to abide by the Code of Ethics.

Foreign Membership: Foreign membership shall be open to all persons 18 years of age or older who reside outside of the United States and who subscribe to the purposes of this Club and agree to abide by its Code of Ethics. Foreign Members do not have voting rights.

Section 2. Dues

Membership dues shall not exceed \$30.00 per year for any of the membership categories payable on or before the first day of January of each year.

No member may vote whose dues are not paid for the current year. During the month of October, the Treasurer shall send to each member a statement of his dues for the ensuing year.

Section 3. Election to Membership

The application shall state the name, address and additional information that the Club decides is necessary on the application. The application shall contain space to record club activities the applicant has participated in. Accompanying the application the prospective applicant shall submit dues payment for the current year.

Section 4. Termination of Membership

Members may be terminated:

(a) By lapsing. A membership will be lapsed and automatically terminated if such members dues remain unpaid thirty (30) days after the first day of the fiscal year; whoever the Board may grant an

additional thirty (30) days of grace to such delinquent members in meritorious cases. In no case may a person be entitled to vote at any Club meeting whose dues are unpaid as of the date of that meeting.

(b) By resignation. Any member in good standing may resign from the Club upon Written notice to the Secretary, but no member may resign while in debt to the Club. Dues obligation is considered a debt to the Club and they become incurred on the first day of each fiscal year.

(c) By expulsion. A member may be terminated by expulsion as provided in Article VI This By-Laws.

Section 5. Roster of Membership

(a) Mailing List. The roster of membership shall not be sold, loaned, bartered or given to any person or organization for the purpose of being used as a mailing list for any product or service.

(b) The Recording Secretary will provide a current membership roster to members no later than the 15th of March of each year. This roster may be provided to the membership by mail or electronic means. Members can choose whether or not to disclose their contact details on the Club website.

(c) No member or groups of members may represent the American Portuguese Podengo Medio/Grande Club or sponsor events in the name of the American Portuguese Podengo Medio/Grande Club without the expressed prior consent of the Board of Directors.

Article II

Meeting and Voting

Section 1. Annual Club Meeting

Meetings will be held in conjunction with the Clubs yearly specialty event, if possible. The time date and place will be determined by the Board of Directors. Notice of each such meeting shall be published to the membership, by mail or electronic means. Notice of meeting must be not more then 30 days and at least 14 days prior to the date of the meeting. The quorum for meetings shall be ten (10%) of the members in good standing.

Section 2. Special Club Meeting

Special Club meetings maybe called by the President, or by a majority vote of the Board who are present and voting at any regular or special meeting of the Board. They may also be called by the Recording Secretary upon receipt of a petition signed by five (5) members of the Club who are in good standing. Such meetings will be held at such place, date and time as may be designated by the person or persons authorized herein to call such meetings. Notice of such meeting shall be provided to the membership by

the Corresponding Secretary via mail or electronic means at least five (5) days, and not more than fifteen (15) days prior to the date of the meeting and said notice shall state the purpose of the meeting and no other business may be transacted thereat. The quorum for such a meeting shall be ten percent (10%) of the members in good standing.

Section 3, Board Meeting.

Meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held quarterly at an in person meeting or via electronic means between the 1st and 15th of the months of January, April, July and October. On the years that the Club Specialty does not fall within the aforementioned time period a Meeting of the Board of Directors will be held before the Membership Meeting in conjunction with the Club Specialty event. The Board will designate the meeting time, date and place. Notice of such meeting shall be published to the Board by mail or electronic means not more than 30 days and at least 14 days prior to the date of the meeting. The quorum for such meeting shall be a majority of the Board.

Section 4. Special Board Meeting.

Special meetings of the Board may be called by the President, and shall be called by the Corresponding Secretary upon receipt of a written request signed by at least three (3) members of the Board. Such meetings will be held in person or by electronic means at such place, date and time as may be designated by the person authorized herein to call such meetings. Notice of such meetings shall be provided by the Corresponding Secretary via mail or electronic means at least five (5) days, and not more than fifteen (15) days prior to the date of the meeting. Said notice shall state the purpose of the meeting and no other business may be transacted thereat. The quorum for such a meeting shall be a majority of the Board.

Section 5. The Board of Directors may conduct business by telephone conference call, mail including electronic mail, and fax provided it does not conflict with any other provision of these by-laws. Items voted upon by telephone conference call, electronic mail and fax must be confirmed in writing within seven days.

Section 6. Voting

(a) Voting at a meeting. Each Active member in good standing, whose dues are paid for the current year, shall be entitled to one (1) vote on each question at any meeting at which they are present. It will be the duty of the Recording Secretary to keep attendance records. Proxy voting will not be permitted at any club meeting or election.

(b) Whole Membership voting. Each Active member in good standing, whose dues are paid for the current year, shall be entitled to (1) ballot (Voting shall be by electronic means for those members who have indicated they wish to receive club notices and participate electronically. For those without that access, paper ballots may be sent). The Corresponding Secretary will compile the ballot approved by the Board of Directors and follow the electronic vote service procedure to provide access to a ballot to each member. The voting ballot will have a timeframe listed for return to the Corresponding Secretary or

designated person will compile the vote results and make a report to the Board of Directors via electronic means. The Board of Directors will review the results and the Recording Secretary will publish the results in a notice to the Membership using mail and by electronic means. Proxy voting will not be permitted at any club meeting or election.

Article III

Directors and Officers

Section 1. Board of Directors

The Board shall be comprised of the Officers and four other persons, all of whom shall be members in good standing who are residents of the United States and all of whom shall be elected at the Club's annual meeting as provided in Article IV and shall serve until their successors are elected. General management of the Club's affairs shall be entrusted to the Board of Directors.

Section 2. Officers

The Club's Officers, consisting of President, Vice President, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer shall be elected to serve a two (2) year term at the Club's annual meeting from among Regular Members of the Club in good standing who are residents of the United States and in their respective capacities both with regard to the Club and its meeting and the Board and its meetings as follows.

(a) The President shall be the Chief Executive Officer of the Club, preside at all meetings, enforce the provisions of the Constitution and By-Laws and appoint necessary committees not otherwise provided for.

(b) The Vice President shall have the duties and exercise the powers of the President in case of the President's death, absence, or incapacity. The Vice President shall be chairman of the Program Committee.

(c) The Recording Secretary shall keep a record of all meetings of the Club and the

(a) Board of all matters of which a record shall be ordered by the Club. The Recording Secretary shall also keep current and distribute to the membership in a timely manner a roll of the members of Club with their address, phone number and any other pertinent data that may be directed to be recorded by the Board of Directors (See Article I, Sec. 5). The Recording Secretary shall also, in addition, carry out such other duties as prescribed by the Board of Directors and/or these By-Laws.

(d) The Corresponding Secretary shall have charge of correspondence, notify members of meetings, notify new members of their election to membership, provide copy of this Constitution and By-Laws, and notify Officers and Directors of their election to office. The Corresponding Secretary shall, in addition, carry out such other duties as may be prescribed by the Board of Directors and/or these By-Laws.

(e) The Treasurer shall bill, collect and receive all dues and moneys due or belonging to the Club. The Treasurers books and records of accounts shall at all times be open to inspection by the Board and the Treasurer shall report to the Board and the members at every meeting concerning the condition of the Club's finances and every item of receipt or payment not previously reported. At the Annual Meeting the Treasurer shall render an account of all moneys received and expended during the previous fiscal year. The Treasurer shall be bonded in such an amount, as the Board of Directors shall determine. All disbursements of the Club shall be made by check, signed by the Treasurer and the President shall countersign checks only in the absence of the President or Treasurer. All expenses, other than on going, exceeding the amount of \$100.00 shall be paid by the Treasurer upon prior approval of the Board of Directors. There will be an annual audit or review of the Club books in conjunction with the Clubs annual Specialty event.

Section 3. Vacancies

Any vacancies occurring on the Board or among the officers during the year shall be filled by the Board until the next general election by a majority of the members of the Board at its regular meeting following the creation of such vacancy, or at a regular meeting following the creation of such vacancy, or at a Special Board Meeting called for that purpose. Where a vacancy occurs in the office of President it shall be automatically filled by the Board in accordance with these procedures.

Article IV

The Club Year, Elections, Annual Meeting

Section 1. Club Year

The Club's fiscal year shall begin on the 1st day of January and the end on the 31st day of December. The Club's official year shall begin immediately at the conclusion of the election at the annual meeting and

shall continue through the election at the next annual meeting.

Section 2. Elections

Elections shall be held for the following positions in a 2-year cycle.

- (1) Officers (2 year term)
- (2) 2 Board members (2 year term)
- (3) 2 Board members (2 year term)

The elections shall be held either in person or by electronic mail at which the Officers and Directors shall be elected by secret, ballot process among those nominated in accordance with Section 3 of this Article. They shall take office immediately upon conclusion of the election and each retiring Officer shall turn

over to their successor in office all properties and records relating to that office within thirty (30) days after the election.

The nominated candidate receiving the greatest number of votes for each office shall be declared elected. Of the nominated candidates for other positions on the Board, the two (2) receive the greatest number of votes for such positions shall be declared elected.

Section 3. Nominations

No person shall be a candidate in the Club election who has not been nominated. During the month of September, the Board shall select a Nominating Committee consisting of three (3) members and two (2) alternates, not more than one (1) of whom can be a member of the Board. The Recording Secretary shall immediately notify the Committee and alternates of their selection. The Board shall name a chairman for the committee and it shall be their duty to call a committee meeting which shall be held on or before October 15th and shall conduct the proceedings of this committee in the following manner:

(a) The committee shall nominate one (1) candidate for each office and two (2) Candidates for the two (2) positions on the Board, and after securing the consent of each person so nominated, shall immediately report their nominations to the Recording Secretary in writing.

(b) Upon receipt of the nominating committee's report, the Recording Secretary shall, before November 1st to allow time for members to return nominations by December 1st and notify each member in writing of the candidates so nominated.

(c) Any members may make additional nominations by December 1st. Provided that the person nominated does not decline when their name is proposed, his/her nominator shall present to the Recording Secretary a written statement from the proposed candidate accepting the nomination by December 15th. No person may be a candidate for more than one (1) position and the additional nominations, which are provided for herein may be made only from among those members who have not accepted a nomination of the Nominating Committee.

(d) Nominations cannot be made in any manner other than as provided for in this Section.

Section 4. Annual meeting

The Annual meeting shall be held in conjunction of the National Specialty, at which time officers, delegate to The American Kennel Club and directors from the ensuing year shall be elected by secret ballot from among those nominated in accordance with Section III of this Article.

Article V

Committees

Section 1.

The Board may appoint standing committees to advance the work of the Club in such matters as dog shows, obedience trials, trophies, annual prizes, membership, health, rescue and other fields which may be served by committees. Such committees shall always be subject to the final authority of the Board. Special committees may also be appointed by the Board to aid it on particular projects.

Section 2.

Any committee appointment may be terminated by a majority vote of the membership of the Board with written notice to the appointee, and the Board may appoint successors to these persons whose services have been terminated.

Section 3.

On or before December first – February first, the President shall appoint subject to the approval of the Board, an auditing committee to audit the Treasurer's Books. This committee shall report to the Club membership at the Annual Meeting.

Article VI

Discipline

Section 1. American Kennel Club Suspension

Any member who is suspended from the privileges of the American Kennel Club (AKC) shall be automatically suspended from the privileges of this Club for a like period.

Section 2. Charges

Any member may prefer charges against a member for alleged misconduct prejudicial to the best interests of the Club. Written charges with specifications must be filed in duplicate with the Corresponding Secretary together with a deposit of \$50.00 which shall be forfeited if such charges are not sustained by the Board following a hearing. The Corresponding Secretary will promptly send a copy of the charges to each member of the Board or present them at a Board meeting. The Board shall first consider whether the actions alleged in the charges, if proven, constitute conduct prejudicial to the best interests of the Club. If the Board considers that the charges do not allege conduct that would be prejudicial to the best interests of the Club, it may refuse to entertain jurisdiction. If the Board entertains jurisdiction of the charges, it shall fix a date of a hearing by the Board not less than three (3) weeks or more than six (6) weeks thereafter. The Corresponding Secretary shall promptly send one copy of the charges to the accused member by registered mail, together with notice of the hearing and an assurance that the defendant may personally appear in their own defense with witnesses, if they wish.

Section 3. Board Hearing

The Board hearing for Charges against a Club member must be done at an in-person meeting in a location close to the majority of Board members and can not be done through the mail or by electronic

means. The Board shall have complete authority to decide whether counsel may attend the hearing, but both complainant and defendant shall be treated uniformly in that regard. Should the charges be sustained, after hearing all the evidence and testimony presented by complainant and defendant, the Board may by a majority vote of those present may reprimand or suspend the defendant from all privileges of the Club for not more than six (6) months from the date of the hearing. And, if it deems that punishment insufficient, it may also recommend to the membership that the penalty be expulsion. In such case, the suspension shall not restrict the defendant's right to appear before their fellow members at the Club meeting which considers the Boards recommendation. Immediately after the Board has reached a decision, its finding shall be put in written form and filed with the Recording Secretary. The Corresponding Secretary, in turn, shall notify each of the parties of the Boards decision and penalty, if any.

Section 4. Expulsion

Expulsion of a member from the Club may be accomplished only at a meeting of the Club following a Board hearing and upon the Boards recommendation as provided in Section 3 of this Article. Such proceeding may occur at a regular or special meeting of the Club to be held within sixty (60) days but not earlier than thirty (30) days after the date of the Boards recommendation of expulsion. The defendant shall have the privilege of appearing in his or her own behalf, though no evidence shall be taken at this meeting. The President shall read the charges and the Boards findings and recommendations, and shall invite the defendant, if present, to speak in their own behalf if desired. The members shall then vote by secret written ballot on the proposed expulsion. A two-thirds (2/3) vote of those present and voting at the meeting shall be necessary for expulsion. If expulsion is not so-voted, the Boards suspension shall stand.

Article VII

Amendments

Section 1.

Amendments to the constitution and By-Laws may be proposed by the Board if Directors or by written petition addressed to the Corresponding Secretary signed by ten percent (10%) of the membership in good standing. Amendments proposed by such petition shall be promptly considered by the Board of Directors and must be submitted to the membership with recommendations of the Board by the Corresponding Secretary, for a vote within three (3) months of the date when the petition was received.

Section 2.

The Constitution and By-Laws may be amended by a two thirds (2/3) vote by secret ballot of the Regular members present and voting in any regular or special meeting called for this purpose, provided that the proposed amendments have been included in the notice of the meeting and mailed to each member at least two (2) weeks prior to the date of the meeting.

Article VIII

Dissolution

The Club may be dissolved at any time by the written consent of not less than two thirds (2/3) of the Regular members. In the event of the dissolution of the club other than for purposes of reorganization, whether voluntary or involuntary, or by operation of law, none of the property of the Club nor any proceeds thereof nor any assets of the Club shall be distributed to any members of the Club but after payment of the debts of the Club its property and assets shall be given to charitable organization for the benefit of dogs selected by the Board of Directors.

Article IX

Order of Business

Section 1.

At any meetings of the Club, the order of business, so far as the character and nature of the meeting may permit, shall be as follows;

Call to Order

Attendance Roster

Minutes of Last General Membership Meeting

Minutes of Last Board Meeting

Report of President

Report of Corresponding Secretary

Report of Treasurer

Report of Committees

Election of Officers and Board (at the annual meeting)

Election of New Members

Unfinished Business

New Business

Adjournment

Section 2.

At meetings of the Board, the order of business, unless otherwise directed by majority vote of those present, shall be as follows;

Reading of Minutes of last Meeting

Report of Corresponding Secretary

Report of Treasurer

Reports of Committees

Unfinished Business

Election of New Members

New Business

Adjournment

Article X

Parliamentary Authority

Section 1.

The rules contained in the current edition of Roberts Rules of Order, Newly Revised, shall govern the Club in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with these By-Laws and any special rules or orders the Club may adopt.

CODE OF ETHICS

The purpose of this Breeders Code shall be to serve as a guideline for a minimum standard of excellence in the ownership, breeding and sales of Portuguese Podengo Medio/Grande's. To that end, I hereby pledge to:

HEALTH

I. Maintain the highest possible standards of health, cleanliness and care in my kennel. This includes, but is not limited to proper veterinary care, regular contact with people and exposure to the outside world for proper socialization of all my dogs.

II. Urge all buyers to have a puppy or adult dog sold by me, examined by a licensed veterinarian within 72 hours of receipt. The buyer will pay for the examination.

III. Deliver or ship only puppies or adult dogs of sound health and temperament. Where the buyer or his authorized representative did not personally see and choose said dog, a period of 48 hours is granted to advise of the final decision and an additional 48 hours is provided if the dog is to be returned.



BREEDING

I. Encourage bitch owners to breed only if they have facilities, time and resources to adequately care for a litter and upon strong evidence of the possibility of finding suitable homes for the resultant litter.

II. Refuse stud service to any bitch I consider in poor health, physically or mentally unsound, or lacking the necessary breed characteristics as set forth in the Portuguese Podengo Medio/Grande standard. Before or at the time of breeding, an exchange of pedigrees and health information must be made.

III. Allow one repeat service where a bitch has failed to conceive after being bred to one of my studs, if the stud is still in good health and available, and at such time and place as mutually agreed upon by the owner of the bitch and myself.

IV. Breed my own bitches only when I have a definite goal for improvement of the breed in mind, never permitting them to produce three consecutive litters unless breeding consecutive litters is recommended by a veterinarian. I fully understand that I am responsible for keeping and/or finding suitable homes for the resultant puppies.

Signature Page:

Date: _____

Signed: _____

Also signed by spouse (if member) _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

E-mail address: _____

NOTE TO MEMBERS: Only Portuguese Podengo Medio/Grande members in good standing may be official signers of the Breeders' Code. Membership termination also voids your status as a signer of the code.

You must re-sign the Breeders' Code when you rejoin the American Portuguese Podengo Medio/Grande Club. Return the signed form to:

The American Portuguese Podengo Medio/Grande Club Secretary



American Portuguese Podengo MedioGrande Club
803 Circle Drive,
Buffalo, MN 55313

HEALTH COMMITTEE DOCUMENTS

ACTING – JAN MILLER



The American Portuguese Podengo Medio Grande Club is an official Good Dog Grant Recipient in Good Dog's Club Grant Program!

December 16th, 2021



Good Dog is thrilled to announce that the **American Portuguese Podengo Medio Grande Club (APPMGC)** is the official recipient of a Good Dog Grant!

At Good Dog, we are so inspired by the APPMGC and their dedication to protecting, promoting, and advancing the Podengo breed since the Club was established in 2008. The APPMGC encourages ethical conduct and cooperation among breeders, and does critical work in promoting wider knowledge and greater appreciation of the extraordinary qualities of this breed.

Good Dog established the Club Grant Program to support Clubs, like the APPMGC in their critical efforts to build a better world for our dogs.

As an official Good Dog Grant Recipient, the APPMGC will **receive a Good Dog Grant**, Club recognition on the Good Dog website, and priority status offered to APPMGC members who apply to Good Dog! The APPMGC will use their Good Dog Grant to cover the cost of testing kits, and assist Club members in getting DNA blood samples stored

Join us to help change the conversation – give dog breeders the recognition they deserve and build a better world for our dogs and the people who love them. [Click here to join Good Dog today!](#)

Interested in applying to Good Dog's Club Grant Program? Fill out our [Club Grant Program Interest Form!](#)

We would love to hear from you! Feel free to reach out at breederteam@gooddog.com!



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CHIC DNA Repository

2300 E Nifong Blvd, Columbia, MO 65201
Phone (573) 442-0418 | Fax (573) 875-5073
www.caninehealthinfo.org



Dog Call Name: _____

Application for DNA Repository

Previous application number (if any):			AKC registration number:	Other registry name:	
Registered name:			Sex:	Other registry #:	
Breed:			Date of birth (MM/DD/YY):		
Microchip/tattoo:			Registration number of sire:	Registration number of dam:	
Owner name:			Co-owner name:		
Mailing address:			Owner e-mail:		
City:	State:	Zip/postal code:	Owner phone:		

Upon receipt and processing of this application, the owner will receive a Sample Submission Kit depending on the option selected below.

DO NOT SUBMIT SAMPLE WITH THIS INITIAL APPLICATION.

Please fill out the health survey on the back of this form with later swab or blood submission.

Sample Submission Kit Order

- Swab Based Collection Kit \$5.00
(includes 4 cheek swabs to be submitted, collection instructions, health survey, mailing labels)
- Blood Collection Kit \$20.00
(includes collection instructions, health survey, mailing labels)

DNA Sample Submission Agreement

I hereby donate, assign, and transfer a DNA sample of the dog named above to the CHIC DNA Repository for research purposes and warrant my authority to do so. I understand that any future use or distribution of this DNA sample will be within the sole direction and authority of the CHIC DNA Repository. I authorize the OFA to provide any researchers receiving a portion of this sample with all necessary information including pedigree and health history to make the sample useful. My intent in providing this DNA sample is to further research into canine health issues. I hereby relinquish all rights to, and ownership of, the DNA sample.

Signature of owner/agent

Date

Payments can be made by Visa, Mastercard, check or money order (U.S. funds drawn on a U.S. bank) payable to the Orthopedic Foundation for Animals.

Card number

Cardholder name

Exp (MM/YY)

CVV



CHIC DNA Repository Health Survey

Has this dog ever been diagnosed with any of the following health issues? For each section you answer with a yes, please fill out the rest of the section. If you answer no to any section, skip to the next section.

Eye Disorders Yes No

- Distichiasis
- Dry Eye
- Entropion
- Juvenile Cataracts
- Non Healing Corneal Ulcer
- Retinal Dysplasia
- Persistent Pupillary Membrane
- Glaucoma
- Cherry Eye
- Other _____

Ear Disorders Yes No

- Chronic ear infection
- Deafness (if yes, describe coat color/pattern) _____
- Other _____

Skin Disorders Yes No

- Atopic Dermatitis (allergy to inhaled substances)
- Food/Medicine Allergies
- Alopecia
- Autoimmune Skin Disease
- Systemic Demodectic Mange
- Sebaceous Adenitis
- Seborrhea
- Other _____

Gastrointestinal Disorders Yes No

- Pyloric Stenosis
- Megaesophagus
- Cleft Palate
- Chronic Vomiting
- Choric Colitis
- Inflammatory Bowel Disease
- Other _____

Respiratory Disorders Yes No

- Congenital Tracheal Stenosis (narrow trachea)
- Stenotic Nares
- Elongated Soft Palate
- Laryngeal Paralysis
- Other _____

Orthopedic Disorders Yes No

- Hip Dysplasia
- Patellar Luxation
- Elbow Dysplasia
- Premature IVD (intervertebral disc degeneration)
- Vertebral Anomalies
- HOD
- Other _____

Cardiac Disorders Yes No

- Vascular Ring (right aortic arch)
- Subaortic Stenosis
- Pulmonic Valve Stenosis
- Persistent Ductus Arteriosus
- Persistent Foramen Ovale
- Tricuspid Valve Defect
- Mitral Valve Defect
- Cardiomyopathy
- Porto-Systemic Vascular Shunt (Liver Shunt)
- Other _____

Urinary Disorders Yes No

- Ectopic Ureter
- Urinary Crystals/Stones
- Other _____

Blood/Lymph Disorders Yes No

- Autoimmune Hemolytic Anemia
- Hemophilia (Type A or B)
- Idiopathic Thrombocytopenia
- vonWillebrand's disease (Symptomatic?) Y N
- Other _____

Endocrine Disorders Yes No

- Hypothyroid
- Addison's disease (adrenal insufficiency)
- Cushing's disease (adrenal oversecretion)
- Diabetes
- Other _____

Reproductive Disorders Yes No

- Cryptorchid/Monorchid
- Abnormal Sperm
- Testicular Atrophy
- Irregular heat cycle
- Uterine Inertia
- Other _____

Neurologic Disorders Yes No

- Epilepsy
- Caudea Equina Syndrome
- Degenerative Myelopathy
- Other _____

Cancer/Tumors Yes No

- Mast cell tumor
- Lymphoma
- Hemangiosarcoma
- Testicular cancer
- Mammary cancer
- Osteosarcoma
- Other _____

BREED SURVEY FOR PORTUGUESE PODENGOS

__ MALE ____ FEMALE (Circle): Pequeno Medio Grande
Event: _____ Place of survey: _____
Host: _____ Judge/evaluator: _____
Name of dog/bitch: _____
Reg. Number: _____ Whelped: _____
Tattoo/Micro chip number: _____
Owner of Male/Female:
Last name: _____ First name: _____

Street Address City State Zip code

ASSESSMENT ON DAY OF SURVEY

I. GENERALITIES: LIST MEASUREMENTS, MARK CORRESPONDING STATEMENTS

Height at withers measured 3 x's: ____ in. ____ in. ____ in.

Chest depth: ____ inches

Chest circumference: ____ in.

Weight: ____ lb.

Pigment: 1. Good 1 Sufficient

Coat: 1. wire 2. smooth

1. normal 2. short 3. somewhat full

Color: 1. fawn/white 2. yellow/white 3. other: _____

Testicles: 1. well developed 2. small 3. one testicle 4. not present

II. EVALUATION OF GENERAL CONDITION, SIZE OVERALL STRUCTURE, FIRMNESS OF LIGAMENTS, GAIT - DESCRIBE IN SHORT, UNDERSTANDABLE TERMS:

III. TEMPERMENT AND NERVES

A. **Character/Temperament:** 1. steady 2. natural 3. spirited 4. calm

B. **Alertness/Attentiveness:** 1. present 2. adequate

C. **Nerves:** 1. steady 2. slightly excitable 3. satisfactory

IV. EVALUATION WHILE STANDING AND WHILE IN MOTION:

A. **SECONDARY SEX CHARACTERISTICS:** 1. pronounced 2. sufficient

B. **CONDITION:** 1. robust 2. Moderately robust 3. dry
..... 4. somewhat coarse 5. somewhat fine

C. **EXPRESSION:** 1. Lively 2. noble 3. Somewhat unfriendly

D. **STRUCTURAL CHARACTERISTICS:**

.....1. normal proportions 2. Markedly long 3. Somewhat short

..... 4. Strong 5. Substantial 6. Somewhat heavy

.....7. Sufficiently substantial 8. Low stationed 9. Somewhat wide

.....10. somewhat narrow 11. Slightly flat ribbed

E. **BONES:** 1. Strong 2. Moderately strong 3. Dry

F. **MUSCULATURE:** 1. Well developed 2. Moderately strong 3. Dry

.....4. Adequately dry 5. Somewhat large 6. Somewhat fine

G. **FIRMNESS OF FRONT LIGAMENTS WHILE STANDING:**

.....1. Very good 2. Good 3. Adequate

H. **FIRMNESS OF REAR LIGAMENTS WHILE STANDING:**

..... 1. Very good 2. Good 3. Adequate

I. **BACK:** 1. firm 2 Adequately firm 3. Slightly yielding

..... 4. Slightly arched

J. **TIGHTNESS OF ELBOWS:** 1. Very good 2. Good 3. Adequate

K. **FIRMNESS OF PASTERNS:** 1. Good 2. Adequate

L. **FRONT:** 1. Straight 2. Toed-out stance 3. Toed-in stance

.....4. Not quite straight

M. **CROUP:** 1. Normal length 2. Somewhat short 3. Short

..... 4. Normal position 5. Flat 6. Somewhat steep 7. Steep

N. **FIRMNESS OF HOCKS:**

.....1. Good 2. Adequate 3. Not firm

O. **GAIT:** 1. Front/rear correct straight gait 2. Front/rear toed-in gait

.....3. Front/rear toed-out gait 4. Slightly cowhocked

.....5. Slightly bowlegged 6. Tends to pace.

P. **FRONT REACH:** 1. Very good 2. Good 3. Could be less restricted

.....4. Adequate

Q. **REAR DRIVE:** 1. Very Effective 2. Effective 3. Sufficiently effective

R. **FEET:** 1. front/rear round 2. front-rear tight

..... 3. Front-rear round/tight 4. Front-rear somewhat long

..... 5. Slightly shortened 6. Slightly long

S. **HEAD:** 1. Very strong 2. Strong 3. Somewhat small

.....4. Somewhat narrow 5. Slightly shortend 6. Slightly long

T. **EYE COLOR:** 1. Dark 2. Medium 3 Light

U. **UPPER JAW:** 1. Well developed 2. Sufficiently developed

... 3. Somewhat narrow

V. **UPPER JAW:** 1. powerful 2. sufficiently powerful

..... 3. somewhat weak

W. **DENTITION:** 1. Scissors bite 2. undershot 3. overshot 4. even bite

.....5. Healthy 6. Strong 7. Normal spacing

Pequenos do not require full dentition. Medios and Grandes...full dentition. Missing teeth for hunting breeds are expected..due to injuries.

Breed Club Health Survey Guidelines and Sample Form

Below you will find a sample form which reflects many of the options different breed clubs have used for their health surveys. You should modify this form for your own use. You do not have to use all of the categories on the form (i.e., you may elect not to collect flea/tick info, or may not need any aggression sections). However, we do ask that you please leave the basic disease set of questions intact. Those are the questions asking if an individual dog has been diagnosed with cardiac issues, ear issues, gastrointestinal issues, etc.

General OFA Survey Tool notes and tips

The OFA survey tool collects data only in aggregate. There is no way to separate out a single dog/set of answers from any other. There are no unique identifiers given to respondents. As such, it is completely confidential. While this data is anecdotal, it can be used to help breed clubs evaluate the incidence of health issues of note within the breed.

Breed clubs may want to think about how to deal with updates on dogs who have already been entered once. This can be done in the introduction section, by asking respondents to only enter new information on dogs already logged. If you have other questions about the best way to handle updates and new sections, please contact Robin Nuttall at robinjn@gmail.com and Eddie Dziuk at edziuk@offa.org.

In all cases, multiple choice answers are far preferred to text answers. Providing ranges and selections to choose from will yeild more useful results. Though many breed clubs want an "other" listing for text answers that don't fit certain diseases (such as listing any other cancers a dog may have/had that were not in the main list) this data ends up not being terribly helpful as the breed club is likely to get hundreds of different text answers. We are happy leave an explanatory text box for clarification if the "Other" box is checked, but suggest instead making sure your listing for each diasease category is complete and reflects the important and known issues within your breed.

The attached survey sample is taken from several surveys. Reviewing other surveys (www.offa.org/surveys/) may also help you decide how to best set up your survey.

Key to edits and additions

RED: Use bolded red to highlight text, sections, and/or diseases you wish to be deleted from the sample survey.

GREEN: Use bold green colored text for additions and new sections (for instance, to replace the introductory information)

BLUE: My notes, explanations, and suggestions through the sample survey are in blue.

Survey for the Portuguese Podengo MedioGrande

This Health Survey is the first full survey prepared by the American Portuguese Podengo MedioGrande Club. This survey is designed for use of any clubs supporting Podengos in the world as a method for sharing information that may be common to us all.

It is pointless and expensive to test for things that are not common to the breed and miss things that are present. By surveying the current state of health in our breed are we able to determine which health issues we should consider testing for.

This survey will be analyzed and recorded for APPMGC by the Orthopedic Foundation for Animals (OFA). All information submitted is confidential and numbers are used only in aggregate.

Please use a separate survey form for each Portuguese Podengo Medio or Grande you have owned, living or deceased. As you complete a survey for each dog, simply restart a new one for the next dog you are reporting. Whenever possible, please use a veterinarian diagnosis.

Have you taken this survey previously for another dog? Y/N
If you have it is not necessary to complete these 4 questions again.

How many Podengo's do you currently own?

- 1 to 3
- 4 to 6
- 7 to 10
- 11 to 15
- More than 15

How many years have you owned Podengo's?

- Less than 5 years
- 5 to 10 years
- 10 to 15 years
- Over 15 years

Where did you obtain your Podengo's Check all that apply

- Bred it yourself
- Directly from a Breeder
- Pet store
- Online breeder
- Shelter
- Breed rescue
- Other

Are you a member of the APPMGC? Y/N

MAIN QUESTIONNAIRE

What size is this dog

Medio
Grande

What coat type is this dog

Smooth
Wire
Half Hair

Please provide the size and coat of the PARENTS of this dog

Sire:

Grande
Medio
Wire
Smooth
Half Hair

Dam:

Grande
Medio
Wire
Smooth
Half Hair

What sex is this dog?

Male
Female

Is this dog Living? Y/N

If YES, what is the age of this dog?

0-6 Months
Between 6 months and 2 years
From 2 to 5 years of age
From 5 to 10 years of age
Over 10 years of age

If NO at what age did this dog die?

0-6 Months
Between 6 months and 2 years
From 2 to 5 years of age
From 5 to 10 years of age
Over 10 years of age

Is this dog spayed/neutered? Y/N

If YES, at what age was this dog spayed/neutered?

0-6 Months
Between 6 months and 2 years
From 2 to 5 years of age
Over 5 years of age

What is the overall health of this dog?

- Excellent
- Good
- Fair
- Poor
- Bad

Has this dog had significant health issues/problems? Y/N

If YES, at what age did this dog begin having significant health issues?

- 0-6 Months
- Between 6 months and 2 years
- From 2 to 5 years of age
- From 5 to 10 years of age
- Over 10 years of age

Is this dog on flea/tick prevention? Y/N

Is this dog on heartworm prevention? Y/N

What vaccinations has this dog received?

- Rabies
- Bordatella
- Distemper
- Lyme
- Parvovirus
- Leptospirosis
- Hepatitis
- Nosodes
- Coronavirus
- No regular vaccinations
- Other

How frequently is this dog vaccinated?

- Yearly
- Every two years
- Every three years
- Only when titres indicate my dog is not protected

Do you run titers on your dog? Y/N

If you do run titers, how often do you run them?

- Yearly
- Every two years
- Other titre schedule

Has this dog had an adverse reaction to a vaccine? Y/N

What type(s) of food does this dog eat?

Dry food
Canned food
Home cooked
BARF (Bones and Raw Food)
Other

Has this dog had an OFA hip evaluation? Y/N

If yes, what OFA hip grade does this dog have?

Excellent
Good
Fair
Borderline
Mild
Moderate
Severe

Has this dog had a hip examination from another organization? Y/N

If yes, what other organization(s) have evaluated this dog's hips?

PennHip
OVC
Other

Has this dog had an OFA exam for Elbow Dysplasia? Y/N

If yes, what was the result of the dog's elbow dysplasia evaluation?

Normal elbows
Grade 1 elbow dysplasia
Grade 2 elbow dysplasia
Grade 3 elbow dysplasia

Has this dog had an OFA exam for patellar luxation? Y/N

If yes, what was the result of the dog's patellar luxation examination?

Patellar luxation free
Grade 1 patellar luxation
Grade 2 patellar luxation
Grade 3 patellar luxation
Grade 4 patellar luxation

Has this dog had an OFA exam for thyroid disorders? Y/N

What OFA thyroid designation was this dog given?

- Thyroid Normal
- Autoimmune thyroiditis
- Idiopathically reduced thyroid function
- Equivocal

Has this dog had a CERF examination? Y/N

What were the results of this dog's CERF eye exam?

- CERF normal
- CERF abnormal/did not receive CERF number

Has this dog been diagnosed with cancer or tumors? Y/N

If yes, what cancer/tumor types has this dog been diagnosed with?(any of the following)

- Gastric
- Hemangiosarcoma
- Leukemia
- Lymphoma
- Mammary cancer
- Mast cell tumor
- Melanoma
- Muscle cancer
- Osteosarcoma
- Pancreatic cancer
- Pituitary tumors
- Sebaceous gland cancer
- Squamous cell cancer
- Testicular cancer
- Other cancer

Was this cancer diagnosis confirmed by biopsy/histology? Y/N

How was this cancer treated?

- Chemotherapy
- Radiation
- A combination of radiation and chemotherapy
- Alternative medicine treatment (acupuncture, herbal, diet, etc.)
- No treatment

What was the survival time after the cancer diagnosis?

- Less than 1 month
- Less than 3 months
- Less than 6 months
- Less than 1 year
- 1 to 3 years

Over 3 years

Has this dog been diagnosed with gastrointestinal issues? Y/N

If yes, what types of gastrointestinal problems has this dog been diagnosed with?

- Bloat with torsion
- Bloat without torsion
- Colitis
- Inflammatory bowel disease
- Megaesophagus
- Other

Has this dog been diagnosed with cardiac issues? Y/N

If yes, what cardiac disorders has this dog been diagnosed with?

- Cardiomyopathy
- Congestive heart failure
- Degenerative valve disease
- Heart murmur
- Mitral valve defect
- Patent ductus arteriosus (PDA)
- Persistent right aortic arch (PRAA)
- Pulmonic stenosis
- Subaortic Stenosis
- Tricuspid valve defect
- Other

Has this dog been diagnosed with respiratory disorders? Y/N

If yes, what respiratory disorders has this dog been diagnosed with?

- Collapsed trachea
- Elongated soft palate
- Laryngeal paralysis
- Stenosis nares
- Other

Has this dog been diagnosed with eye disease/issues? Y/N

If yes, what eye disorders has this dog been diagnosed with?

- Cataracts
- Cherry eye
- Corneal dystrophy
- Corneal ulcer
- Distichiasis
- Dry eye
- Entropion
- Ectropion
- Glaucoma
- Juvenile cataracts

Persistent pupillary membrane
Progressive retinal atrophy (PRA)
Retinal dysplasia
Senile cataracts
Other

Has this dog been diagnosed with any ear issues? Y/N

If yes, what ear disorders has this dog been diagnosed with?

Chronic ear infection
Deafness, Unilateral (one ear)
Deafness, Bilateral (both ears)
Malformation of the ear canal
Total ear canal ablation (TECA)
Other

Has this dog been diagnosed with any neurologic issues? Y/N

If yes, what neurological and/or muscular disorders has this dog been diagnosed with?

Ataxia
Degenerative myelopathy
Epilepsy
Intervertebral disc disease
Lumbosacral stenosis
Narcolepsy
Spinal demyelination
Spinal stenosis
Other

Has this dog been diagnosed with any skin disorders? Y/N

If yes, what skin disorders has this dog been diagnosed with?

Alopecia
Autoimmune skin disease
Demodectic mange
Seborrhea
Staph infections
Yeast infections
Other

Has this dog been diagnosed with any liver disorders? Y/N

If yes, what liver disorders has this dog been diagnosed with?

Hepatitis
Portosystemic shunts
Other

Has this dog been diagnosed with any orthopedic issues? Y/N

If yes, what orthopedic disorders has this dog been diagnosed with?

- Arthritis
- Cruciate ligament rupture
- Elbow dysplasia
- Hip dysplasia
- Hypertrophic Osteodystrophy (HOD)
- Osteochondrosis dessicans (OCD)
- Panosteitis
- Patellar luxation
- Spondylosis
- Vertebral anomalies
- Other

Has this dog been diagnosed with any blood/lymph disorders? Y/N

If yes, what blood or lymphatic system disorders has this dog been diagnosed with?

- Anemia
- Autoimmune hemolytic anemia
- Hemophilia
- Idiopathic Thrombocytopenia
- Platelet abnormality
- vonWillebrand's disease
- Other

Has this dog been diagnosed with any endocrine system disorders? Y/N

If yes, what endocrine disorders has this dog been diagnosed with?

- Addison's disease
- Cushing's disease
- Diabetes mellitus
- Hyperthyroid
- Hypothyroid
- Pancreatitis
- Pituitary disease
- Other

Has this dog been diagnosed with any kidney disorders? Y/N

If yes, what kidney disorders has this dog been diagnosed with?

- Bladder and kidney stones
- Chronic urinary tract infection
- Familial kidney disease
- Renal dysplasia
- Other

Has this dog been diagnosed with any reproductive disorders? Y/N

If yes, what reproductive disorders has this dog been diagnosed with?

- Abnormal sperm
- Cryptorchid/monorchid
- Eclampsia
- Failure to conceive
- False pregnancy
- Genital infection
- Hermaphrodite
- Irregular heat cycle
- Litter resorption
- Mastitis
- Prostatitis
- Pyometra
- Sterility
- Testicular atrophy
- Other

Has this dog been diagnosed with any dental disorders? Y/N

If yes, what dental disorders has this dog been diagnosed with?

- Base narrow teeth
- Dropped incisors
- Extranumerary teeth
- Misaligned teeth
- Missing teeth
- Overbite
- Retained deciduous (puppy) teeth
- Periodontal disease
- Underbite
- Wry mouth
- Other

Has this dog been diagnosed with any allergy disorders? Y/N

If yes, what allergy disorders has this dog been diagnosed with?

- Atopy (inhalant) seasonal
- Atopy (inhalant) non-seasonal
- Drug allergies
- Flea allergies
- Food allergies
- Topical/contact allergies
- Other allergies

Has this dog been diagnosed with any immune system disorders? Y/N

If yes, what immune system disorders has this dog been diagnosed with?

- Autoimmune hemolytic anemia
- Discoid lupus
- Immune-mediated hypothyroidism
- Immune-mediated thrombocytopenia
- Juvenile onset polyarthritis
- Myasthenia gravis
- Pemphigus (bulbous, foliaceus)
- Sebaceous adenitis
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- Other immune system disorder

Does this dog have or show aggression or temperament issues/disorders? Y/N

If yes, what temperament/aggression issues has this dog shown?

- Aggressive to dogs within household
- Aggressive with all dogs
- Aggressive to people
- Fear of noise
- Fear of storms
- Rage syndrome
- Separation anxiety
- Shyness
- Reserved
- Other

Has this dog had puppies? Y/N

If yes, how many puppies has this dog produced?

- Three or fewer
- Four to 10
- 10 to 20
- 20 to 30
- Over 30 puppies

Has this dog produced puppies with congenital abnormalities? Y/N

If yes, what congenital abnormalities has this dog produced?

- Cleft palate
- Hernia, umbilical
- Hernia, inguinal
- Other congenital defect

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14 – Have a HOW TO TAKE OPEN SHOW ENTRIES available for the people taking the entries. I always have 2 folders one for MISC breeds and one for FSS breeds. As I get entries I assign numbers putting it on the entry as well as giving it to the exhibitor and writing it on the judges sheet. One judges sheet for each breed (again if you need one – let me know and I will be happy to send you what we have used). You will need that later to submit results. The judges sheet should have on it the Date and Event number.

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Including us in your show is a win win for both of us. We get to showcase our breeds, you get new exhibitors to come to your show – you make a little money. You are discharging the part of your mission where you are helping new breeds and exhibitors.

Why is it so important to put on an Open Show? As breeds go into regular status there are fewer and fewer of us MISC breeds to host open shows. Some of us travel great distances to make sure that our friends in FSS have an opportunity to show by hosting open shows. Many of these breeds forgo AKC al together using instead other show giving organizations or showing in Europe and Puerto Rico. Our club will have done 8 Open Shows in different parts of the country this year alone and it is unsustainable for us to continue. Many breeds who have also been active in Open Shows – have moved on to regular status making our group even smaller. Several All Breed Clubs have either done an Open Show or have committed to doing them in the future – you should consider joining them – we'll be there to help!

I have had several show chairs ask me this group of question. I know what my reasons are but want to be more global in my response.

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Cynthia Heyman

Admin

When working on a CM I will travel and enter open shows. After my goal is reached I will stop traveling but will enter local open shows (we don't have many). My two dogs that are a Misc breed have their CMs so I don't enter them in anything anymore, it's too expensive and we have other things we work on. I have one FSS dog that I would like to get a CM on but it's unlikely to happen so I don't really pursue the shows.

- **Donna Bennett**

I have limited scope as I only have 1 Misc dog but here are my answers

*I do enter Misc at AB shows

* I will enter any open shows that are a reasonable distance

* I'd travel 3-4 hours for just an open show. If it's an open show in conjunction with an AB we have traveled 8-10 hours

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Susan Lombardo

I love showing off my dogs, but it isn't much fun if we are the only Misc. breed at a show. Often times judges have never seen my breed... Once my dog gets his CM then I have other goals to pursue. I have traveled 10+ hours to check out a venue or get that last point. With full recognition looking less likely in my breed I am turning more to UKC where I can compete against all the dogs - and with full privileges!

Jo Lynne York

Right now I am limited by work and critter sitter issues when it comes to leaving home. Also limited by having an FSS breed. If miscellaneous were an option for my dog I would enter him at all breed shows when I attended with my fully recognized breed.

Kristie F. Austin

I got tired of entering because I would get there and have no competition. I usually won't travel more than two hours.

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- **Carolyn Noteman**

Kristie F. Austin let's get together and create some competition. There are starting to be other Kromföhrlanders in our area. I agree, I don't want to travel too far

Mary Dixon

Carolyn Noteman North Carolina has had more Kromis than Michigan for almost 10 years. That is why we always called it North Kromilina. But most people will not show. They did do one in Raleigh years ago, the one where we got a flat on the way down (we ...

Kristie F. Austin

I was mainly answering regarding Podengos. Lol. But I'll come show with kromi peoples for sure!!

Ellen Drewes-Stoen

1. My dog is FSS.
2. The closest Open show was 160m away one way. They no longer offer Open. The next closest was 8 hours away one way. Too far.
3. 6 hours one way is my limit.

Denyse Adams

I have travelled 3 days one way to attend Open Show clusters. I have FSS Breed - we winter in FL - and attend the Open Shows as offered on the FL circuit. I compete against my self most of the time.

Jen Giacchi

Throat injury aside -
A time issue.... but it has been low on my list because of how a CM is treated versus a CH.
With AKC, supers, other competitors, sometimes the club.
Also frustrating when judges put up dogs where it seems like they don't understand the standard.
(I get that they don't see FSS/Misc breeds a lot but some things are flat spelled out in the standards.)

I don't mind being the only one in the breed as long as I get to do my full time in the ring. We still get to go in against other dogs for group and some of her points have been from group/BIS placements. And I love talking to people about the breed.

I did enter Dottie at the MISC shows in Orlando last December because it was the first time we were eligible there and I wanted to show off the breed. I think I did the DSF sponsored Open Shows to support the club's first shows there, plus the Working Group Misc and the National Championship Misc if I remember right.

If it was a prefix title I'd make a lot more effort to show, but once Dottie got her CM it was one less thing to split our focus on. I have fit in shows to help others and did Orlando last year because of the above but we do sooooo much already. Last year in Orlando I screwed up our agility run running around like an idiot for conformation and that's not the first time I've done that.

Jen Giacchi

When I was going for Dottie's CM I didn't worry about distance so much as long as there was other stuff going on. I'm in Colorado and went to Nebraska, Wisconsin, Missouri, Kansas, Arizona, California, etc. I think California may have been only conformation?? although it was a DSF meetup too otherwise I wouldn't have flown there just for the FSS shows. Typically I went where I was able to do agility too so we were getting something out of it regardless. 🤪

Cynthia Heyman

i agree I would make it more of a priority of the CM was a prefix title.

Mary Dixon

We need more Open shows in Michigan in the summertime. We are so cut off from the rest of the country. It takes most of us at least an hour to get out of the state. And a spay/neuter class for our retired show dogs.

Stella Farcone Greer

I've been traveling because I have one more that needs her cm. It's been hard because most all the shows are far and yes it gets expensive. I also work full time. I usually need to take more then a week off to show because of the distance in driving. We need more open shows in Southern California. I'm excited that there is one in the fall which is only an hour away.

Brittany Jacobs-Wall

1- I don't enter Miscellaneous shows simply because my breed is still in FSS shows.
2- Cost. I cannot enter every single open show, it's expensive for me to travel with 2 dogs, and the military will not let me off for every single show. Plus, after I get a CM on a dog, unless I have others in my breed I don't want to enter my finished dogs just for judges to see the breed. While I want them to learn, there's only 3 Kishu

We are new to Misc., when I showed this year I did enter Misc.. I don't enter more shows because of expense and dogs is not my only sport. I will travel about 11 hours by car, if the show is much further, I won't, and if it has enough entries, and if other members of my breed are attending, meaning FRIENDS! I am also likely NOT to go if there is only one show per day, 2 shows per day makes it worth my time and money to travel.

Tyler Scott

1. It doesn't make sense for me to cross the border to show under a breed name and breed standard that disregards the country of origin standard and promotes sub-par dogs. Of course this standard was pushed by a breed club that tailored the standard to their sub-par dogs, no conflict of interest there right??
2. See 1.
3. I'll travel anywhere within Canada, maybe cross through the US to get to an FCM show in the future. 🇺🇸 I see no reason to support what the AKC has allowed to happen to my breed.

Danika Bannasch

I won't enter past the CM since it takes away points if I win from others in the breed trying to get their first CM. It is a pricey title and my misc dog has to beat almost 3 times as many dogs as my AKC breed to Finish one.

Jenn Ucci

I am new to owning an FSS breed and I live here in New England. I am really dismayed at the lack of Open Shows here. I am considering traveling literally 7-10 hours this fall/Winter to reach the Pennsylvania and Ohio shows - which is insanely expensive and I have no way of knowing if I will even have competition. I am also trying to get my own club to add an open show to our cluster. Personally I think AKC did a disservice by creating FSS - period. Miscellaneous is miscellaneous and it is a slow and painstaking climb for a title no one respects or seemingly cares about. I cannot see the point of having CM vs CH once eligible for AB shows in Miscellaneous either. I also find it frustrating to have a very nice, to standard FSS dog passed over for a subpar AKC dog. I had the displeasure of witnessing it at half a dozen BPUP shows this summer and found it very discouraging - especially when a judge verbally acknowledges how nice your dog is. It's flat out demotivational. FSS and MISC breeds cannot get recognition if no one will put them up. I am grateful the CKC has finally recognized my breed and hope UKC and AKC take note and speed up the process as well.

Wendy Scarborough

I filled out an entry for 3 day open and I've carried it around for 2 days now debating on mailing it. Cost is a bit off putting considering. My breed name isn't referred to as FCI standards. I know I made a face at the last show we attended when the steward said oh there's the Orchid, this pains me. Also will there be any other Misc attending.

From now on for AKC I think 2-2.5 hours is all I am driving, unless there's a reasonable exception.

On the flip side. The few judges we've encountered have given helpful critiques and are encouraging. We do a good bit of breed education to genuinely interested people, which is nice.

I guess for now my dog and I need the experience and will continue to enter local shows. Honestly though, I am more interested in UKC and waiting for the fall shows

Admin



Sarah Sears

1. My breed is FSS
2. I enter almost every Open show within 6hrs up until I earn a CM on whichever dog I'm campaigning. I don't see the point in going past a CM
3. I would travel trans-continental were it necessary but being in eastern PA I have more than enough Open show options throughout the year to meet my goals

Edited

Dawn Edwards

Haven't had any around. Usually travel for days, but do show multiple dogs.

Dorothy Pohorelow

Cost, disrespectful clubs, judges and supers. Lack of competition to earn the points needed. I enter the open shows that are local and have traveled up to 8 hours for a cluster of Open shows. AND had plans earlier this year to travel over 16 hours to reach one that had multiple Open show, and other sports to do.

Mira Micin

Q - why don't you enter your breed in Misc class at shows?

My breed is FSS now but will be MISC in 2023. I have entered a few Open shows

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Lack of value. Majority of judges don't really know the breed standard so the placement lacks value or meaning.

Q- how far will you travel for one or the other?

For the most part (unless meeting up specifically with fellows owners) no more than 3-4 hours

Desireé Ramirez de Rva

1. My breed is FSS

2. Restricted based on work schedule and distance.

- The Club is to establish a plan which will be submitted with the request for Full Recognition which includes:

A. Encouraging the breeders to continue to breed which will increase the number of litters registered annually.

This is a several part action. First we talk to each other about our breeding plans and strive to import dogs that will add to the available genetic diversity and we offer those dogs to each other without charge. We try to time our litters so we spread them out throughout the year. Litters and breeding plans are announced on our club website and on our FB pages. The club maintains an extensive pedigree program to assist in increasing diversity. In addition many have joined the Good Dog Breeder program where litters are also announced and when they are able, post on the AKC market place.

We have several dogs in commercials (bud light Superbowl) ,movies (Second Hand Lions, Zeus and Roxanne etc) print media (target ad for Halloween costumes). We use social media to promote sightings to garner interest in the breed. We have had several articles about the Podengo in various publication as well as some magazine ads where we highlight the versatility of the breed. We have Podengos on the last year canceled international flyball qualifying team and in Canada performing in Superdogs. In addition to their success in Dock Diving and Therapy and Service Dogs Agility, Coursing – all systems.

Increasing visibility increases demand which then translates into additional litters.

B. Encouraging breeders to register dogs which will increase individual dog registrations annually.

Sometimes the challenge has been that while a litter has been registered not all the individual dogs were registered. To that end the club actively encourages breeders to do a Litter plus where the litter and all of the puppies are recorded prior to going to new homes. That ensures individual registration. The larger challenge is that in areas of the country where there is a population of Portuguese they exchange dogs with family members in Portugal and breed for their own purposes. We have worked with several hunters and have oral pedigrees that connect about 30 or 40 of these dogs to LOP registered dogs and in the future we will need to include those dogs in our stud book. The hunters in the US do not register their dogs and they are reticent to do so. They need a dog that catches rabbits - for- them AKC registration is meaningless. However the dogs they produce sometimes end up in shelters in NY, CT, MA, RI and CA and we end up supporting with information and training tips. Some of these dogs have gotten PAL numbers and do companion events. Since this is NOT a breed that is registered in enormous numbers in the country of origin where they can compete and make a CH without a full 3 generation pedigree – they see no need to do so there – which impacts what we can import. They have a specific process within the FCI to evaluate and give dogs an RI number. We anticipate much like the Basenji African Project, we will need to establish a process of similar evaluation in the US to continue to maintain a viable population. (We actually have a procedure that has been approved by our board and membership over 5 years ago.)

In addition we have presented at Podengo Seminars in Portugal to help Portuguese breeders understand the importance of a 3 generation pedigree if they plan to send a dog to the United States.

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13 - The Day of Show Entry - please have a couple of people available and assume that some who come will see the AKC entry form as something new. Be sure that you have a knowledgeable person there to help with the entries and repeat that the only classes available are 4-6, 6-9, 9-12 puppy and Open in Dogs and Bitches. Winners of each class come back in for BOB (much like in a match or sweepstake) there is NO WD or WB. Day of Show entry also gives you the chance to help FIX those incorrect entries rather than just turn them away.

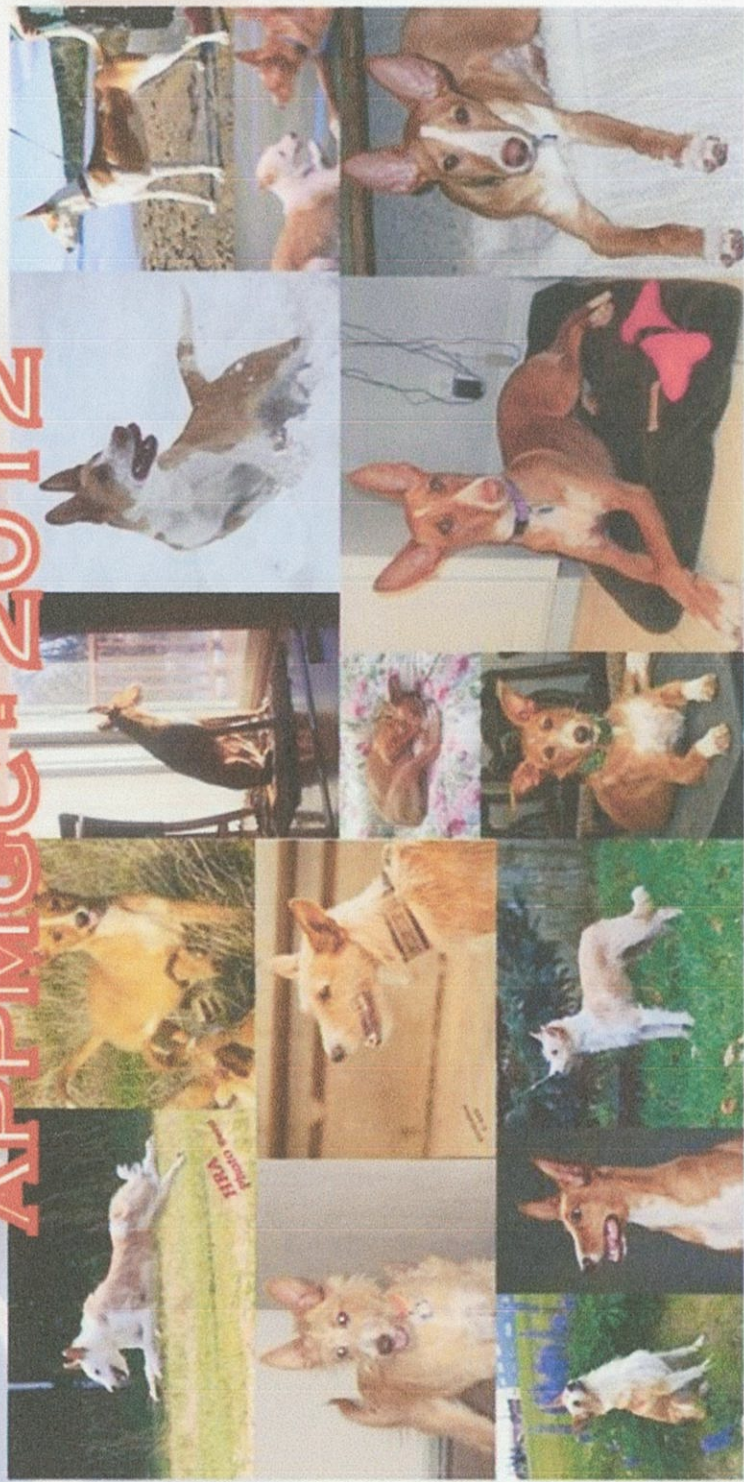
14 – Have a HOW TO TAKE OPEN SHOW ENTRIES available for the people taking the entries. I always have 2 folders one for MISC breeds and one for FSS breeds. As I get entries I assign numbers putting it on the entry as well as giving it to the exhibitor and writing it on the judges sheet. One judges sheet for each breed (again if you need one – let me know and I will be happy to send you what we have used). You will need that later to submit results. The judges sheet should have on it the Date and Event number.

15 - You should have an experienced steward to assist in keeping the dogs coming in. New breeds and exhibitors are sometimes so excited that they are distracted or don't know what to do OR for a breed that is unique you may find the audience asking questions and stopping them as they leave the ring which can create a bottle neck. Prepare for that during the show AND by also advertising a Meet the Breed – or Parade of Rare Breeds or other opportunity for interested people to learn about new breeds.

Including us in your show is a win win for both of us. We get to showcase our breeds, you get new exhibitors to come to your show – you make a little money. You are discharging the part of your mission where you are helping new breeds and exhibitors.

Why is it so important to put on an Open Show? As breeds go into regular status there are fewer and fewer of us MISC breeds to host open shows. Some of us travel great distances to make sure that our friends in FSS have an opportunity to show by hosting open shows. Many of these breeds forgo AKC al together using instead other show giving organizations or showing in Europe and Puerto Rico. Our club will have done 8 Open Shows in different parts of the country this year alone and it is unsustainable for us to continue. Many breeds who have also been active in Open Shows – have moved on to regular status making our group even smaller. Several All Breed Clubs have either done an Open Show or have committed to doing them in the future – you should consider joining them – we'll be there to help!

MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL! APPMGC - 2012



The Podengo wire and smooth



If you have a sense of humor, a fenced yard and a comfy couch...

these dogs may be for you!

Hunting Hounds of Portugal

by Diana McCarty



Origins:

The Portuguese Podengo Pequeno and Podengo are primitive type dogs. Their ancestors were most likely prick-eared dogs brought by the Phoenicians and Romans to the Iberian Peninsula during classic antiquity. These rustic hounds adapted well to the Portuguese land and climate. The Portuguese Podengo Pequeno and Podengo number among the "warren hounds", which is the name for that group of Mediterranean rabbit-hunting hounds that also includes the Ibizan Hound, Pharaoh Hound, Cirneco dell'Etna and others.

Sizes - Small:

PORTUGUESE PODENGO PEQUENO. The smallest sized dog is the Portuguese Podengo Pequeno. Many people are familiar with the Portuguese Podengo Pequeno. It is short legged and low to the ground. The low center of gravity allows it to push through brush. It is not an open field runner.

Sizes – Medium and Large:

Many people are less familiar with the medium (Medio) and large (Grande) sizes. They are long legged open field running hounds. Grouped together, the Medio and Grande are called simply **PODENGO**.

The **MEDIO**, or middle size, was developed for rabbit chasing, flushing, hunting and retrieval. Its hunting style includes catlike stalking and, similar to the Ibizan Hound, it often jumps above the prey before landing on or near it to flush it out of dense brush, rock crevices or burrows. It will dig if necessary, to flush prey.

The **GRANDE** is the largest of the Podengos. It was developed for deer and wild boar hunting. It will exhaust and hold down the prey and await the hunter's gun. The Grande is now very rare in its home country.

Note: The Pequeno was not bred down from bigger sizes, and the Medio and Grande were not bred up from Pequenos. You can however get Medios and Grandes in the same litter. Medios and Grandes have been bred together to expand the gene pool. But Medios and Grandes are **NEVER** bred to Pequenos. The photo below provides general size difference.

Photo by Diana McCarty





The photo above is from a hunting seminar in Portugal that I attended in April. Nuno Ferro (center) was the seminar leader. Included in the photo are all 3 sizes (Pequeno, Medio, Grande) and both coat types (smooth and wire). Photo used with permission of Nuno Ferro.

Hunting Style:

When differing sized Podengos hunt rabbit together, typically the Pequeno and Medio will hunt together. While the hunting styles of the Pequeno and Medio are different, their styles are complementary. Grandes will also hunt rabbit, but primarily they hunt in packs for larger game.

Lure Coursing:

Podengos love to lure course. They course in ASFA, AKC, UKC, NOTRA, CAT and Provisionally in LGRA. It is a wonderful opportunity for the dogs. Although those of us who have slipped Medios or Grandes are pretty sure that the plastic bunny would be abandoned by our hounds if a rabbit, fox or deer were to appear during the course. We would not be where we are in LGRA without the dedication of Terriane Basch and her amazing hounds.

For More Information:

We are always looking for hound homes so that we can preserve the breed. For more information please visit www.podengo-mediogrande.com.

Diana McCarty





Diana presenting Henrique Passidinas in Portugal a Medalion for being the breeder of a US dog that finished it's AKC Certificate of Merit title.

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*Lochbay Just One
More Hit CM
(aka Addict) surveys
the yard at an
AirBnB in
Indianapolis.*

*Photo by
Veronica Miller*



Have Podengos....Will Travel

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Many of us in the dog community travel with our pets. Between performance events, dog shows, vacations, and even trips to visit grandma, our dogs are most often on the road with us. Typically, dog owners seek out pet-friendly hotels, or spend many uncomfortable nights on Nana's air mattress – but there is another way! Our Flyball club travels together to out of state tournaments at least once a year. We have found that dog friendly Airbnbs are available just about anywhere, and have a lot to offer us, and our dogs. When you give up room service, you gain fenced yards, full kitchens, and, for us, the ability to bond with friends while saving money.

Setting up an account on Airbnb is a simple process. This link will give you a discount off your first trip. <https://www.airbnb.com/c/vmiller90?currency=USD>. Once you set up your profile, you can search for a rental easily. Simply put in the location you are looking for, the dates traveling, and clarify if you are ok with sharing a space, or if you only want to rent entire homes. Since I travel with my dogs, I only rent entire homes, as it tends to make things easier, but some like to get to know new people in a shared home. Always make sure to check the box under "house rules" for "pets allowed" properties. (cont. page 2)

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Make sure you are comfortable with the house rules before booking. Those are clearly listed within each ad. No dogs on furniture is common, but I have also noted some properties not allowing dogs to potty in the yard as well. A yard is one of the major reasons we book through Airbnb, so that clearly would not be a property for us. Instructions for check-in and check-out will be on the site as well. Some properties ask that you strip beds before departing, others ask that you take out the garbage, some don't ask for anything to be done at check-out. Still, I make sure to always leave the home as clean as when I arrived. Wash the dishes, double check the yard for accidental land mines, gathering up all trash, and double checking that I have all of my things loaded up before heading out.

In the beginning this process seemed very complicated, but I have come to love house rentals when traveling with my dogs. They have space to play, I can cook real food, and when friends share the space it becomes like a real home. I encourage you to step out of the hotel and try it!

Top 10 ways to be a good AirBnB guest -



*Breakin All The Rulz JC FDCH
DJ (aka Vandal) loves the
AirBnB life!*

Photo by Veronica Miller

1. Be upfront with homeowners about your pets. Remember, communication and any additional deposits should always be done through the Airbnb website.
2. Note house rules, and ensure you follow them, especially regarding your dog's stay
3. When possible keep dogs off furniture or bring linens to cover it.
4. Bring crates for your dogs, and coverings to place under them to protect floors.
5. Remember plenty of poo bags. Clean up after your dog and dispose of the bags properly. Walk the yard just before leaving to make sure you have gotten it all up.
6. Check fenced yards upon arrival to make sure they are secure.
7. Do not allow excessive barking.
8. Do not leave dogs loose in the home unattended. Crate them or bring them along.
9. Clean up any loose dog hair, paw prints, etc. before departing, and leave the house as you found it.
10. Have fun and enjoy your home away from home!

Training a Podongo Isn't easy

Charlene Wiglesworth

I have trained a multitude of breeds in agility, obedience and tracking and have long enjoyed working with hounds, particularly the less well known breeds. I had never heard of podongos before Mary Dixon wrote something about them in email group post. She was raising awareness for the breed and looking for potential performance homes. I was intrigued with the potential that she described. Conveniently, Mary was located within a two hour drive, so I got to meet her dogs and she loaned me one to see how we got along. I thought the breed was loads of fun was but put off by the barking. So the next litter that Mary raised she brought them up to discourage nuisance barking. She did a great job at it and so I brought "Jolena De Retrouvaille WM" home in the late summer of 2007. We called her Jolena, or Jo for short.

Jo was fun puppy to train and quickly learned tricks and behaviors that would be beneficial in agility in the future. I saw a lot of silliness, which amused me to no end.

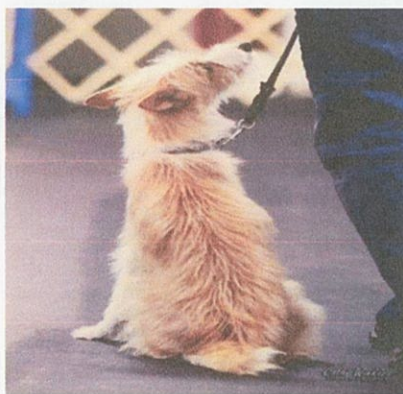
We also started tracking right away and she certified well before she was six months old. She was not eligible to show in AKC events at the time though, so we had to wait until 2008 to show (FSS breeds became eligible January 2008). We found a test in February 2008 in KY and got in. While she had been a terrific tracker when very young, at the age of 9 months and about to come into season, she was not such a focused worker any longer. At the TD test she started great and worked well for a bit more than half the track then lost focus and bounced around a lot, acting like an adolescent sighthound. I got her back to work and she did well for another 50 yards or so, then lost her little brain again. This happened multiple times, but we were able to recover each time and somehow found the glove at the end, thus earning her AKC Tracking Dog title- a first for the breed! No way was I going to continue with advanced tracking with the focus issue, so we put the tracking harness away to wait for her to mature.

We worked at rally obedience at the same time and she did a fine job, earning her Rally Novice (RN) easily. She had moments of brilliance but overall I was glad to have a leash attached to her! Alas, we had to take the leash off in Rally Advanced. This was right at 12 months of age, and she was still a bit goofy.

Her RA was also done in the first three tries, but the scores were never great, as she was silly thing and was easily distracted.

I had thought that I had socialized her well and that she liked people but one day she escaped my yard and got into the neighbor's yard. That's when I learned that she was very spooky outside my presence. It seems that I was the only one that could catch her. Alas, we did not have time to work that issue out, as it was not long after that before she dug a hole under the fence and escaped the yard- this time into complete freedom instead of just into another yard. The spookiness was her downfall- she ran and was killed by a car, just under 13 months of age.

I did not get another medio, but rather decided to work with pequenos, which are delightful in their own ways. And my yard is very difficult to dig out of now.



Jo showing great focus at a Rally trial.



Certificate of Merit Spotlight

Congratulations to all of those that have completed their Certificate of Merit. The club has more than 10 now, which is another step before full recognition.

The club now has beautiful medals available for these special dogs.

If you would like to receive a CM medal from the club, and do not already have one, please send your dog's information to Diana McCarty (dmcarty100@gmail.com). Include a photo (show or candid), registered name, call name, height/weight, and a fun fact about your dog. We will highlight our CM achievers in future newsletters.



Fadista do Vale do Fermido CM (aka Fadista) shows off his new medal, in celebrating his CM, completed this past fall.

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What's in a number? Well if you are a MISC breed trying to advance – it's all about the numbers.

You need to have a certain number of members (check)

A certain number of CM's (check)

You need to have done judges education (Check)

You need to have a club (Check)

You need to vote you want AKC recognition (Check)

You need to have put on 2 Open Shows (Check 26)

You need to have dogs and members all over the country (Check).

You need to have 300 dogs – OOPS.

205 is where we are at – is that all that is around that is registrable – nope there are more – but we need them registered. If you imported a dog we need them registered, if you had a litter we need them registered. If you know someone in Portugal that send over a dog – we need to find them and register them. If you are not doing that – you are holding the breed back. There is no nice way to say it. We have EVERYTHING WE NEED EXCEPT #####S

What can you do: Register if you have a Podengo not registered. We can help if you don't know what forms to use.

Help us with visibility and to find homes – do you know someone who would be a good home for a Podengo? Are you ready for another one? When people ask you about your dogs – do you had them a club card? Do you have a club card? It will take all of us to do this. We have the potential to have 3 more litters this year BUT without solid commitment for homes – no one can breed. Are you taking your dog to a dog show? Even if you are the only one - being there is important so folks can meet the breed.

I have been at this a long long time – seems like forever but we are now stalled at numbers and we need to kick start so WHAT CAN YOU DO right now to help this breed that we all adore – move forward.

~ Diana McCarty

Newsletter Update

My dogs are amazing, and I love showing them off. I have a feeling your dogs are pretty amazing as well. I would love to include stories about their achievements, and adventures. Have you taken your Podengo on a fun trip, or are you training in a new sport? Tell us all about it – and send photos! Stories and photos can be sent to Veronica Miller at podengoclub@gmail.com. Make sure you have photographer permission for us to use your photos in the newsletter. If I don't hear from our members, you will receive a newsletter all about my dogs. This would be very fun, but I know we have Podengos involved in all sorts of fun, all over the USA. Get your stories in today!

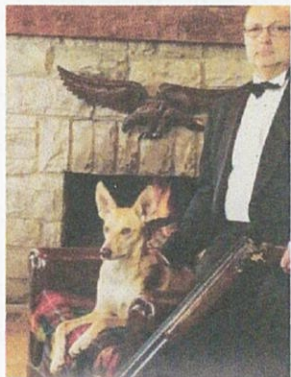
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Hunting with Podengos

The dog excitedly works a zigzag pattern through the patch of sorghum, her snout low and snuffling. Two shotgun-toting hunters and a guide track the dogs progress. What sporting breed is this you might ask. Well it's a Portuguese Podengo, a hunting hound.



This particular dog Xana was found on the streets of Portugal by Jonathan Savage an attorney from the US. John and his wife grew fond of her and brought her home and had her trained at the Hunters Creek Club – north of Detroit. The club's dog trainer, Steve Hardenburgh, wasn't sure how Xana would do but he quickly found out she was 'birdy as heck'.

Using both sight and scent to find it's prey, in Portugal you would typically find them hunting rabbits, and the Grande hunting boar. In this Hunt Club in Michigan however, you find the podengo hunting pheasant.

In a recent article in the [Maticar](#), a newsletter of the PPPCA long time podengo owner, hunter and breeder John Fernandes of MA visited fellow rabbit hunter Tony Carvalho at his dairy farm in California's Central Valley. He had this to say about Tony and his dogs. "Tony is a semi retired dairy farmer. He came to the U.S. from St. Michael in the Azores with his parents when he was 9, and grew up in Fall River, MA. He left home at 18 to seek his fortune in California."

Tony and his wife Theresa are keeping the Portuguese traditions; his grandchildren speak both Portuguese and English. Honoring another Portuguese tradition, Tony breeds and hunts with Podengos. Mostly he hunts with Pequenos

This is a picture of me and Tony. Tony is holding Garrotto, which means "boy". I am holding Garratto's daughter Esplitta, which means "fuse" or "primer". I brought Esplitta home with me and she will be my foundation bitch for a hunting pack of Podengo Pequenos. Tony got his first Pequenos from the famous Portuguese hunter and breeder Vasco Matias. Vasco is related to a bullfighter in California who Tony knows because Tony used to have a active bullring on his dairy farm.



We went on four hunts while I was there, some with mixed packs of Medios and Pequenos, and some with just the Pequenos. This is the string of rabbits we got on our hunts. We could have taken more, but we follow the rabbit hunters axiom: "Take some, leave some, and always have some."



The Pequenos are terrific at finding and flushing the rabbits, and the Medios are faster, so can give chase to the rabbits that range further away. Both are triple threat hunters...hunting by scent, sight and sound. Tony lent me his Winchester 101, which is reputed to be such a fine gun that it corrects for bad aim, but in my case it didn't. I missed quite a few rabbits. Tony is a phenomenal shot, as is my friend Rowland, who was with me on the trip.

Thanks to Kellie Theis editor of the Maticar and John Fernandes for sharing this information.



John Fernandes hunting in Nantucket and training the next generation of hunting Medio's.



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Nuno Fero in Portugal – keeping the hunt alive.



The Portuguese Podengo is the most popular hunting dog in Portugal, and the rabbit is the predominant game species in Portugal, so it is understandable that the Portuguese believe that nature and history have produced in the Portuguese Podengo the finest rabbit hunter in the world, or at the very least, the finest rabbit hunter for dense woods and a mix of wet and arid climates. Virtually every element of the conformation of the Portuguese Podengo comes from its rabbit hunting function (or boar hunting in the case of the Grande), and it is essential that it continue to be used to hunt if it is to stay healthy and true to type.

The Portuguese Podengo is a natural hunter, requiring no special training other than a gradual exposure to the sound of the gun. It hunts with a great deal of autonomy, often finding, flushing, catching, killing and retrieving the game without any involvement of the hunter.

The Portuguese Podengo hunting style relies as much on cleverness as on pure speed, and in a pack situation, there will be a lead dog or bitch (the "quitador") that directs the team work of the others, and which reserves to itself the honor of retrieving the kill. The Portuguese Podengo's hunting style engages its sharp vision, keen hearing and acute sense of smell. In hunting in dense woods, the senses of smell and hearing will dominate over the sense of sight. The typical hunt is not made up of short bursts of speed across open ground, but rather a long, zigzagging hunt through the brush that requires a combination of speed, endurance, agility, persistence and great tracking ability.

Speed, endurance, agility, persistence, the traits that are important in a hunter are beginning to be seen in performance events in the US like lure coursing, agility, fly ball. Because they have been bred for many years to fill this function as a hunter of small and large game, they are formidable in strength and character in performance venues.

Why Podengos and Podengo Pequeno?

Several people involved in the breed share their thoughts on why they are interested in the different sizes of the Portuguese Podengo. Coming from a variety of AKC dog breeds, the charm and enthusiasm of the Podengo (of any size) is contagious.



Terri Troll - Alaska

I currently live in Alaska with my four dogs, one of which is a wire hair Medio Podengo, Whimsy. I have been involved with dogs for over 20 years and was raised with German Shepherds and Rottweilers. I currently show in obedience, agility, conformation, water work (with my Portugese Water Dogs) and have recently started participating in lure coursing events.

When I'm not busy training or teaching obedience classes, I manage to work full time as a teacher in an elementary classroom for children with special behavioral needs. Each of my dogs gets a chance to work as a therapy dog in this environment, as I take a dog to class with me daily. The students are always excited to come to class and see which dog will greet them at the door.

I have been intrigued with the Podengo for years and was excited to add one to my household. I got Whim (Ursa De Retrouvaille WM) from Mary Dixon a little over two years ago, and I have fallen in love with the breed. I love their intelligence and moxie along with that unique Podengo personality. Whimsy, with her independent nature, has certainly stretched my training skills. She has schooled me in the traits of humility, patience and humor. I am eager to increase my involvement in this wonderful breed, and look forward to the time when the Podengo is eligible for the MISC class too.



Allison Jones – Michigan

A lifelong resident of Battle Creek , Michigan I am a member of the Battle Creek Kennel club since 1992

Dogs have always been in my life. I have baby pictures of me with our Chihuahua. I grew up with mini schnauzers, Brittanys and a couple of hound mixes. I always read dog books, dog

magazines and watched Westminster on TV. After high school I got involved in obedience training my beagle, met dog show people and started going to dog shows.

It wasn't until the spring of 2006 that I met my first Portuguese Podengo. I had seen the breed in movies and while looking at a dog magazine- I saw an ad for the breed. I got on the computer, searched for info on the breed and was surprised when I found 2 breeders in Michigan .

I met Mary Dixon and her wire medios, Evita, Marco and Hali. Mary offered me Hali Vd Kleiheuvel and the rest is history. I now share my home with several wire Podengos and both a smooth and wire Pequeno.



Carol Sowders – Ketka

Early on I decided I didn't want a breed everyone else had. For that reason (and others) I choose Border Terriers as my first breed. From the early 70s I have successfully bred & shown my Border Terriers under the Ketka prefix. I also bred & showed Norwich Terriers.

I was on the ground floor when the PBGVs came into AKC recognition (in 1990) but decided they did not fit my lifestyle. Obviously I enjoy the unusual! Portuguese Podengos caught my eye years ago. Knowing there were few in the USA I fought off that urge to own one. However, two friends simultaneously bought Podengos..... one purchased a medio wire and another purchased two Pequeno wires. That's all it took!

In 2005 I took a trip to Portugal and brought home two beautiful Pequeno wires and the plans to import a medio wire soon after. I have since bought a few more Pequenos from some of the top show/hunt kennels in Portugal and Brazil.

It turns out my love is the Pequeno (small) variety of Portuguese Podengo. I have bred a few litters and now am showing some fine Podengos in smooth and wire coat.

I really love this small rabbit hunting breed. They are aloof, but intelligent and very dedicated to their person(s). They have shown excellent promise in the AKC Companion Events. I am more than elated to see them going into the AKC Miscellaneous Group in January 2011.

This small hound is going to take off like a rocket soon. I hope all who intend to have this breed will be committed to being their constant guard and keeper. Making sure health testing is done as needed to safeguard them against hereditary defects as best possible.

That being said, please, come visit us in the Miscellaneous ring starting in January!



John Fernandez – Hunter

I'm 36 and have had rabbit hunting dogs my whole life. I've had Beagles, Portuguese dogs, crosses and Podengos. There's many Portuguese rabbit hunting dogs in my area. Some of which track rabbits almost as well as beagles. The reason I call them Portuguese dogs is because they have all had some mix in them. The Podengos that I have lack the strong hunting characteristics and don't bark much on scent. This I hope to improve on not barking so much may work well in your back yard – but a rabbit hunting dog – needs to alert the hunter when he is hot on a trail – by barking.

There are many people getting Portuguese dogs at the local animal shelters. Some of which look like pure breed Podengos and they are being called Podengos. These dogs are usually non hunters that are abandoned. I have spoke to many that have adopted these dogs as pets. Their response is consistent. They love them but are but are very timid.

OK; now why do I like Podengos?

I am Portuguese and they are a dog of my origin. I also like their look and style.

What makes them a good hunter?

I have seen it said that they are “triple-threat hunters” (sight, scent and hearing) adapted to working in dense woods rather than open terrain.

But they also are very smart and keen. My focus is to continue to breed the Podengo (medium size) primarily for hunting. To restore their pure status in hunt packs in the United States and to cultivate some of the traits that we lost when the breed was not so carefully bred.



Carol Houlihan - Houla

Houla's Kennels got started with Portuguese Podengo Pequeno in 2007. I was at my first UKC Premier Show showing my Parson Russel Terrier and Beagles. I was looking around at all the

wonderful different breeds when I came across the Podengo Pequeno. I talked to some exhibitors and looked at their dogs and fell in love with them. I did some further investigating of the breed and decided I want to get some for showing and breeding .

Well by Oct. of 2007 I had my first smooth Pequeno puppy from Bramblewood kennel in NY. I started to talk to several other breeders and was delighted when given the opportunity to get a breeding trio from Joanne and Hintz Matzen of Heimat Kennel in Grass Valley Ca. I flew out there in late January 2008 and brought 3 of their Portuguese Imports, Heroi, Elsa & Elvas home. (UKC Ch. Heroi da Casa de Sao Domingos, UKC Ch. Elsa da Terra da Montoito , Elvas da Terra da Montoito,). To this day I am very thankful to the Matzin's for giving me the opportunity to get really started in this wonderful breed. As luck would have it both sisters came into heat almost immediately. By April 2008 I had my first US born Podengos.

The first breedings produced only 1 female puppy from Elsa and 1 male and 1 female from Elvas. I had several people looking for puppies and decided to sell the brother & sister from Elvas to Stacy & Susan Faw, from Brokenroad Kennel in IN. Much to my delight these 2 puppies, Houla's

Boarder Patrol and Houla's Blue Bonnet, became the most winning US born Podengo Pequeno's at this time. They were the first UKC Grand champions and UKC Top 10 Winners 2 years in a row. They have won multiple groups and BIS at UKC and they were BISS's at several Podengo Pequeno

Specialties. A big thank you goes out for their great effort in having these wonderful little dogs seen by many people.

But it is more than the show ring. It is so much fun to watch these Podengo Pequenos run and play in the yard. I have had over 15 dogs all running and playing together including several beagles and only 1 Parson of both sexes. To date I have not had any fights that didn't break up with just a yell to stop it. Unlike the Terriers who once a fight breaks out the "fight is on". These little guys are great to have around they are easily trained and they can always make you laugh. I am looking forward to January 2011 when we can finally start showing our dogs in Misc. class in AKC but I can't wait till I can show my US born and bred in the Top AKC shows like Westminster & Eukanuba.

- FUNNY - They do the silliest things and will keep you laughing every day. Even when they're naughty, they do it in a funny way.
- Endearing - There is something about this plain, simple, basic dog that captures everyone they meet.
- Loving - Love their families and circle of friends, love to be on your lap, in your bed, sit with you on the couch, share snacks etc.
- Intelligence - They are SUPER Smart, are easily trainable and eager to learn new things
- Keen Senses - Super sensitive hearing, smell and eyesight.
- Speed - They reach incredible speeds for such a small dog with little legs
- Easy Keepers - They eat small amounts of food, are clean, can be kept in most home types when exercised properly.
- Get along well - They get along with most dog breeds and thrive on dog company. Males & Females of all ages get along very well with each other. Small arguments can occur & they are very noisy but rarely is there ever any damage caused.
- Bark but NO Yap - They are watchful so they will bark when necessary but not to hear themselves make noise like many small breeds.
- Quiet - They are very quiet and content to sleep at your feet most of the day.
- Swim - Oh Yes they do! They love to get into the small baby pool to cool themselves down. They will even jump up at the side of our larger pool so they can take a nice swim.

This is a primitive breed that has a wide range of diversity regarding type, color and temperament. They are devoted family members, sensitive, tolerant and love a good game of tug or ball play. Some Pequenos, are very friendly and loving towards all people while some, are more reserved when they initially meet new people. A Pequeno prefers to get to know someone and decide if they want that person's attention or not. They do not care to have strangers force their attention onto them.



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American Portugues Podengo MedioGrande Club (APPMGC)

REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS AND PROCEDURES

Purpose: To enter into the APPMGC Registry, those dogs born in the United States, their ancestors regardless of country of origin or residence and those animals that have been deemed as significant to the historical background of the breed.

Definitions:

Pedigree = A written record of ancestry.

Registration number = An individual, unique number which is assigned to a specific dog by a recognized dog registering body in the country of origin and/or the APPMGC.

Pedigree form = formal printout of a dog's pedigree (with reg. numbers, sizes, coats & colors where available) and relevant information such as the dog's registration number; gender; size, coat type and color at the time of registration; name; date and location of birth and breeder's name and contact information.

Registry = A database of records collected and held by a club such as the APPMGC which includes dogs' unique registration number ID and other information found on a pedigree form.

Hunt stock = A dog which is in the U.S., alive at the time of registration and out of a sire & dam known to be podengos but whose ancestry is not recorded/registered anywhere. A hunt stock dog's get are eligible for MGC registration but not eligible for AKC registration. A hunt stock dog can gain breeding status according to MGC protocol and that information would be added to the registry database and therefore to each printed pedigree form.

To be eligible for the APPMGC Registry,
Podengo must have:

- A pedigree from a registration entity (Kennel Club Country of Origin).
- All dogs in the pedigree must have a legitimate registration number appropriate for the country of origin and be from an FCI recognized registration body.
- Since the Portuguese have a process in place to assign Registration Incomplete

(RI) numbers to animals evaluated under a stringent process that has been in use for many years. We will honor that evaluation and those animals are also eligible for full registration.

- Hunt Stock – There is a long documented history of Portuguese immigrants bringing or importing their hunting dogs with them. While their breeding history is known, they have never been recorded. The placement of the letter H after the registration number indicates the status of that dog. They and their get are NOT eligible for full participation in Conformation and companion activities unless they have completed the recognition process.

Eligibility of Podengos in Registry

- All* animals that have been issued a Registration number with the APPMGC, are eligible for:
 - Entrance into the breed Studbook and all the rights and responsibilities that entails ·
 - Full registration of get.

- Full participation in Conformation, and Companion activities.

Proof of Registration Paperwork:

1. Copy of Registration Paperwork (AKC FSS or CPC or other recognized country of origin)
2. Appearance of the named Podengo in the official CPC registration database (most recent edition)

HUNT STOCK RECOGNITION PROCESS