

May, 15th, 1971.

Dear Steve;--I am sorry I have been slow in answering .But I have gotten to where I operate an two speeds "SLOW and STOP",

But feel free to quote me, as you wont stray far. The subject of gameness will keep cropping up to the end of time. I probably spend or lose more money and time to keep the little staffs from falling into the hands of dog rollers or fighters and the element of gameness has no bearing on the matter ~~himself~~ but their relatively small size does. I never object to dog fighters (men who match for money,) they feed good precondition their dogs and match at weight, for their money is on the outcome of the contest. Hard tryouts and matching over the years is what gave us our dogs in the first place.

Usually a deep game dog regardless if he has won 10 fights or never been matched is by far to be trusted with your children and is 100% safe. But the spooky, cur & dispositioned dog may bite if pressed too far. (Also they usually cur out)

Arguments will never settle anything, but setting them down at weight sometimes does. If they (the parent club) intends to breed the bull out of the Staffordshire Bull Terrier, why the big effort, why not just try to join the Staffordshire club as now reconized by the A.K.C. They have the same aim in view, ~~to~~ to show their dogs and to completely ruin the original breed. I have absolutely no quarrel with the person who does not fight or roll his dog just so long as they dont go around bragging about the fighting ability of their dog, and by the way go to any show where bull terriers are shown and you will see or hear some obnoxious character bragging or go to a rally or unbenched show and always one or more so & so with his dog on lease baiting any other fanciers dog. We saw it here at P Phoenix a year ago. I asked one Gent. if he would be interested in setting the dog down in the pit at weight the following morning and he could pick up any time he had seen enough. But he informed me he didnt fight his dogs, and I dont think he does.

Steve, last week I put Shanty and Tyke to sleep, for their own good I thought. I hated to see them buck another summer here. I had lots of respect for Tyke and I really loved Shanty. He was made up of equall parts of bone, muscle and Love. I will never get over missing him. If there is no dog heaven, then one should be set aside just for him.

This litter Dale bred off his Monty & Jill are really something, the bitch is heavy built over fat and weighs 18 lbs. One little male a real agressive hot s shot a good watch dog and make a fine backyard dog or pet. 23 lbs. Then one who is a natural bob or screw tail he he is a massive little block buster 28 lbs.

He inherited Shanty's colar, dog house and licence. Shanty was a real good watch dog now Krymp is making like one. every one of these three are a real conversation piece.

My best regards to your wife and family,

Sincerely, Al Brown

Al. Brown

P.S. - Progressive & supervised educational rolls are ok and part of the game entertainment rolls, where the only preconditioning are a couple of 6-packs are. Sometimes degenerative & repulsive, it sometimes separates the men from the boys & the dogs from the curs.