



**"Corgis in  
the Candy  
Shop"**

**Judges:**

**Thursday: Andrew Carter**

**Friday: Chris B. Blance**

**Sweeps: Deborah Royster**

**Obedience and Rally:**

**Karen Westerfield Tucker**

**Wednesday Night:**

**Conformation Match**

**Welcome Party**

**Thursday:**

**Puppy Sweepstakes**

**4 to 6 Month Puppy**

**Conformation**

**Obedience and Rally**

**Friday:**

**Veterans Sweepstakes**

**Conformation**

**Obedience and Rally**

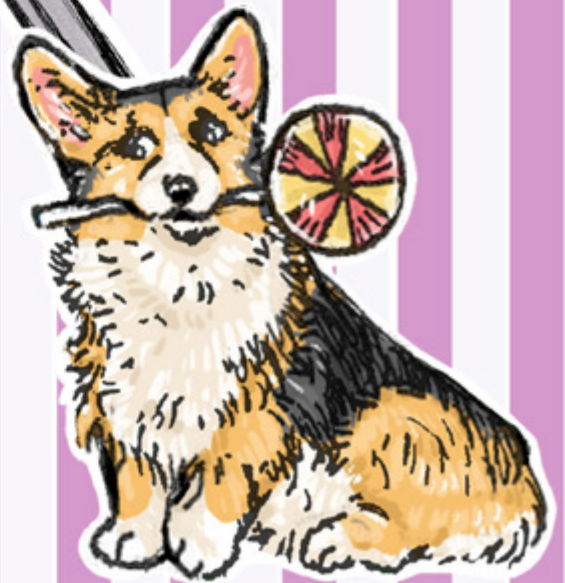
**PWCCP 53rd and  
54th Conformation  
Shows and  
Obedience  
and Rally Trials**

**Thursday April 16, 2026**

**and**

**Friday April 17, 2026**

**Holiday Inn,  
Morgantown, PA  
and Morgantown  
Center**



**Show Chair: Denise Hartley**

**Co-Chair: Michele Pohl**

# CELEBRATING A NEW RACH Star

AND

## PWCCA Versatile Corgi

GCH CH RACH HUM'NBIRD LOOKIN AT LUCKY  
CD RM2 RAE3 SWE RATN CGC TKN

# "Paxton"

Photo by Darcy Babcock



*Thank you Judge David Brobst!*



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OWNED AND HANDLED BY DARCY BABCOCK  
BRED BY CARRIE CHASE



## FROM THE COVER



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Coloring by Jackie Gardner

The PWCCP 53rd and 54th Specialties are just around the corner: April 16 and 17, 2026. The premium is available on Rau Dog Shows:

<https://www.raudogshows.com/upcoming-shows>

Closing date is April 1, 2026. Hope to see you there!

Meanwhile, this issue of the Tide is full of important information regarding the events, starting with the Wednesday activities on April 15. Scroll through to find registration pages and ads for [Ways and Means](#) and the [Silent Auction and Raffle](#).

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# PEMBROKE WELSH CORGI CLUB OF THE POTOMAC

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As I sit down to write my final President's Message, it has brought back many thoughts and memories of my last four years as President. It has been a privilege to serve on your Board. I have had the opportunity to meet, get to know, and to work with so many of our members. I would like to thank those who have supported and worked with me on the Board, committee chairs and their members, as well as the general membership for their dedication to our club. We have set goals and met them. We discussed problems and solved them. We kept the membership informed and involved with our club activities. We educated the public on our wonderful breed. We supported corgis and owners in need of rescue help and resources.

Moving forward, I wish the incoming Board of Officers and Directors the very best as they take on the responsibilities of leading the PWCCP into the future. I know that they will be ready and prepared for the task at hand.

In closing, I would like to share a poem that I wrote many years ago for the PWCCA National Specialty, Parade of Regional Clubs. I had first shared this poem eight years ago when I ended my first term as President. I am ever so grateful that corgis and the Pembroke Welsh Corgi Club of the Potomac and its members "sailed" into my life. A most special thanks to each of you.

--Barb Boltz

TO BETTER APPRECIATE IT, THE POEM HAS BEEN REPRODUCED  
IN ITS ENTIRETY ON THE NEXT PAGE.



Art by Linda Ozelis and coloring by Jackie Gardner



### *"WINDSAILS"*

*~ In tribute to the Potomac corgi spirits that sail into our lives ~*

*The special corgi spirit  
Is the wind that fills our sails.  
It takes us on adventures  
With fairy dogs that sport no tails.*

*We find the corgi spirit  
On a fast, clean course run,  
Supported by a tail wind  
That brings such joy and fun.*

*We applaud the corgi spirit  
On a sit, a down, a stay,  
Or for a conformation win  
As gentle breezes sway.*

*Trade winds guide the corgi spirit  
When the herding games begin.  
Intense and true desire  
Comes so naturally from within.*

*But when the winds are gale force,  
The corgi spirit we must save.  
A rescue corgi finds safe harbor  
Secure from squalls and waves.*

*Sea breezes energize the corgis  
For the most important job of all,  
To share their loving spirit  
With families, large and small.*

*When all the sails are lowered,  
And the tides have brought us home,  
The dedicated spirit of a corgi  
Chimes a welcome tone.*

*Today, Potomac honors corgis  
For hearts so pure and free.  
We celebrate their spirits,  
And all they let us be.*

*By Barb Boltz*

**Please join us for our Wednesday evening activities at the 2026 PWCCP Specialty.**

**You'll have more fun than a kid (or corgi) in a candy store.**



**6 PM:**

**Conformation "B" Match (Judge Debbie Cox TRIPLE H)  
Special Attraction: Recall! (Judge Arlene Hitchens)**

**7 PM:**

**Pizza Welcome Party and Brown Bag Raffle. (No cost, but you must RSVP.)**

**Registration for all three activities can be found on pages 8-10.**

*Art by Rachael Johnson*

## TO B OR NOT TO B: AN INVITATION TO THE 2026 B MATCH

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*By Judy Bolin, 2026 Match Chair*



*Have you ever wished you could practice in the ring before a conformation show, especially a big show like a specialty? Well, you can. By “practice,” I mean participating in an actual conformation match with an actual judge before a big show. PWCCP is offering an AKC sanctioned B-match the evening before the 2026 PWCCP conformation specialty!*

*The PWCCP B-match will be on Wednesday, April 15, 2026, at 6 p.m. at the Holiday Inn and Morgantown Expo Center in Morgantown, PA. Entries will be accepted that day only from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. at the ring steward table. No pre-entries.*

*You do not have to be entered in the conformation specialty the next day. In fact, beginners as well as experienced handlers are welcome. The cost is only \$10.*

*More classes than ever are being offered, too. They are: 4-6 month puppy, 6-9 puppy, 9-12 puppy, 12-18 months, bred-by exhibitor, American bred, and open. This gives you an opportunity to enter more than one dog!*

*The 2026 match judge is PWCCP member Debbie Cox. Although Debbie has been a member since 2018, she has been an advocate for the breed since 1995. She has produced nationally recognized Pems including BIS BISS Triple H Mid Knight Rumble ROMX. Debbie has attended judges education at multiple PWCCA Nationals. “I have judged several all-breed and Corgi matches,” she said. “It’s been an honor to judge several Pembroke Welsh Corgi Specialty Sweepstakes.”*

*This is not PWCCP’s first B-match. Their first fun match was held on August 12, 1973. The following year, their first sanctioned B-OB match was held October 26, 1974. Most of the PWCCP matches were held during the club’s annual picnic. Club members Warren and Ann Phillips were gracious hosts of PWCCP B-matches at their home from 1988 to 2017, the longest serving match host in PWCCP history.*

*Hope to see you this year!*

**MATCH REGISTRATION FORM IS ON THE NEXT PAGE.**



**CONFORMATION "B" MATCH**

**Wednesday, April 15, 2026 : 6:00 PM : Expo Hall**

**Judge: Debbie Cox (Triple H)**

Join us as we celebrate the Pembroke Welsh Corgi Club of the Potomac's 53<sup>rd</sup> Specialty!!

Offered Classes (divided by sex):

4-6 Month, 6-9 month, 9-12 month, 12-18 month, Bred-by-Exhibitor, American Bred, Open  
(Dogs/Bitches with majors may compete)

Ribbons will be awarded for First—Fourth place in each class

1st Place in each class will receive a Linda Ozelis vintage figurine

2nd-4th Places will receive a toy

Best Puppy :: Best Adult :: Best in Match

**Day-of-Show Entry: \$10.00** Cash or Check ONLY

**Day-of-Show entries will be accepted from 4:30-5:30 PM at the ring steward table.**

CONFORMATION "B" MATCH ENTRY FORM PRINT CLEARLY! One dog per Form		
<b>Class:</b>	<b>Birthday:</b>	<b>Sex:</b>
<b>Name:</b>		
<b>Breeder:</b>		
<b>Sire:</b>		
<b>Dam:</b>		
<b>Owner Name:</b>		
<b>Address:</b>		
<b>City/State/Zip:</b>		
<b>Telephone:</b>		
<b>Email:</b>		
I agree to hold PWCCP harmless for any adverse event or injury that may be incurred at this event.		
<b>Signature:</b>		

Please do NOT send B Match entries to Rau Dog Shows.  
Match Show entries received at the Superintendent's office will not be acknowledged or returned.



**SPECIAL ATTRACTION: RECALL**

**Wednesday, April 15, 2026**

6:00 p.m.

Judge: Arlene Hitchens

**Recall Class:** This class is for dogs capable of performing a Beginner Novice recall. The purpose is to promote speed, enthusiasm and accuracy. Each dog will perform 5 recalls from different points in the ring. The goal is to be a stress-free and fun time for dog and handler. Dogs will be timed from the first recall to the completion of the final recall. Placements will be determined by time. Dogs must be under reasonable control.

Pre-Entry fee is \$10.00. Day-of-Show Entry fee is \$15.00.  
Day-of-Show Entries will be accepted from 4:30 - 5:30 p.m. at the Rally Ring.

1st—4th Place will receive a special rosette. All participants will receive a stuffed toy.

**SEND PRE-ENTRIES TO:**

**3340 Action Road, Baltimore, MD 21234**

**Attn: Ann Pribyl**

Make checks payable to: PWCCP

Use entry form below, one dog per entry

Pre-entries close at 12:00 pm, Wednesday, April 8, 2026.

<b>RECALL ENTRY FORM</b> PRINT CLEARLY! One dog per Form		
<b>Class: Recall</b>	<b>Birthday:</b>	<b>Sex:</b>
<b>Name:</b>		
<b>Breeder:</b>		
<b>Sire:</b>		
<b>Dam:</b>		
<b>Owner Name:</b>		
<b>Address:</b>		
<b>City/State/Zip:</b>		
<b>Telephone:</b>		
<b>Email:</b>		
I agree to hold PWCCP harmless for any adverse event or injury that may be incurred at this event.		
<b>Signature:</b>		

Please do NOT send Recall entries to Rau Dog Shows.  
Recall entries received at the Superintendent's office will not be acknowledged or returned.

**RSVP PAGE**

Mail this RSVP page with the appropriate US funds payable to PWCCP to:  
 Rebecca Ryder, 12241 Sedge Street, Bristow, VA 20136  
 571-437-7865 [becki.ryder@gmail.com](mailto:becki.ryder@gmail.com)

RSVP Page will be available for online RSVP and payment.  
 Please visit: <https://fs6.formsite.com/SdNZLa/ehce3fazzk/index>  
 Deadline: Must be RECEIVED BY Wednesday, April 1, 2026  
 Please clearly PRINT all requested information.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State & Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

EVENT or ITEM	COST	CHOICE and/or QUANTITY	TOTAL
<b>Welcome Party RSVP</b> Wednesday, April 15	FREE	_____ Number Attending	
<b>Prepaid Catalogs</b>	\$9.00 each (\$10.00 at show)	_____ Number of Catalogs	
<b>Banquet</b> Friday, April 17	\$45.00 per meal	Please Provide Person name for each entree  NAME _____ NAME _____ NAME _____	
<b>Reserved Grooming</b>	\$15 each space (limit 2 per exhibitor)	_____ Number of spaces	
<b>Raffle Tickets</b>	3 tickets: \$10.00 5 tickets: \$15.00 10 tickets: \$20.00	Specify # of tickets per item ___ Linda Ozelis Artwork ___ Carol Openhym Watercolor ___ 2 Art Smith Numbered Prints ___ Stained-Glass piece by Leon Bezdikian	
<b>RV Parking</b>	\$20/night No hookups	_____ Number of nights  Type of Vehicle _____  License Plate (Number & State) _____	
<b>All-Breed Eye Clinic</b> Thursday, April 16	\$40.00 per exam	_____ Number of Dogs	
		<b>TOTAL</b>	

# PWCCP Ways and Means

VISIT OUR STORE AT:  
<https://www.pwccpapparel.deco-apparel.com/>



**So many choices, so many decisions!**



**Samples will be on display at the PWCCP Specialty.**

# **SILENT AUCTION AND RAFFLE**

The PWCCP will be offering four special pieces of art to celebrate the 53rd Specialty

Raffle tickets for these fabulous items are just \$5 each!! You can purchase 3 tickets for \$10, 5 tickets for \$15 or 10 tickets for \$20!

You can pre-order tickets on the RSVP form.

Tickets may also be purchased at the Specialty.



- ! Framed Original Specialty Artwork by Linda Ozelis**
- ! One of a Kind Watercolor by Carol Lord Openhym**
- ! Pair of Art Smith Numbered Prints**
- ! Stained Glass piece by Leon Bezdikian**

The PWCCP Specialty will be holding the very popular Silent Auction. Auction items will be on display at the banquet. Items will be awarded to the highest bidders throughout the evening of the banquet. Please contact us if you would like to donate an item to the Silent Auction. Thanks in advance for helping us fill the auction tables with many desirable and unique items!

For more information on the auctions, please contact:  
Carol Openhym at 443-831-0531 or [clopenhym@verizon.net](mailto:clopenhym@verizon.net).

# GO RUN, JUMP & HAVE FUN!



## PWCCP All-Breed Agility Trials

### July 24, 25, 26, 2026

### Bella Vista Training Center

730 Mt. Airy Road, Lewisberry, PA 17739

Opens May 22, 2026. Premium will be available this spring on the Bella Vista & PWCCP websites: [www.bvtrainingcenter.com](http://www.bvtrainingcenter.com) and [www.pwccp.org](http://www.pwccp.org)

**Judge: Gill Chapman**

Trial Secretary: Patricia Mowery  
([trialec@bvtrainingcenter.com](mailto:trialec@bvtrainingcenter.com))

Trial Chair: Kim Tilbury ([koko7brooke@yahoo.com](mailto:koko7brooke@yahoo.com))

Co-Chair: Sharon Leh ([tsleh123@comcast.net](mailto:tsleh123@comcast.net))

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Join us for the PWCCP's All-Breed Rally Trials, September 5 and 6, 2026, at the Canine Training Association, 6826 Distribution Drive, Beltsville, MD.

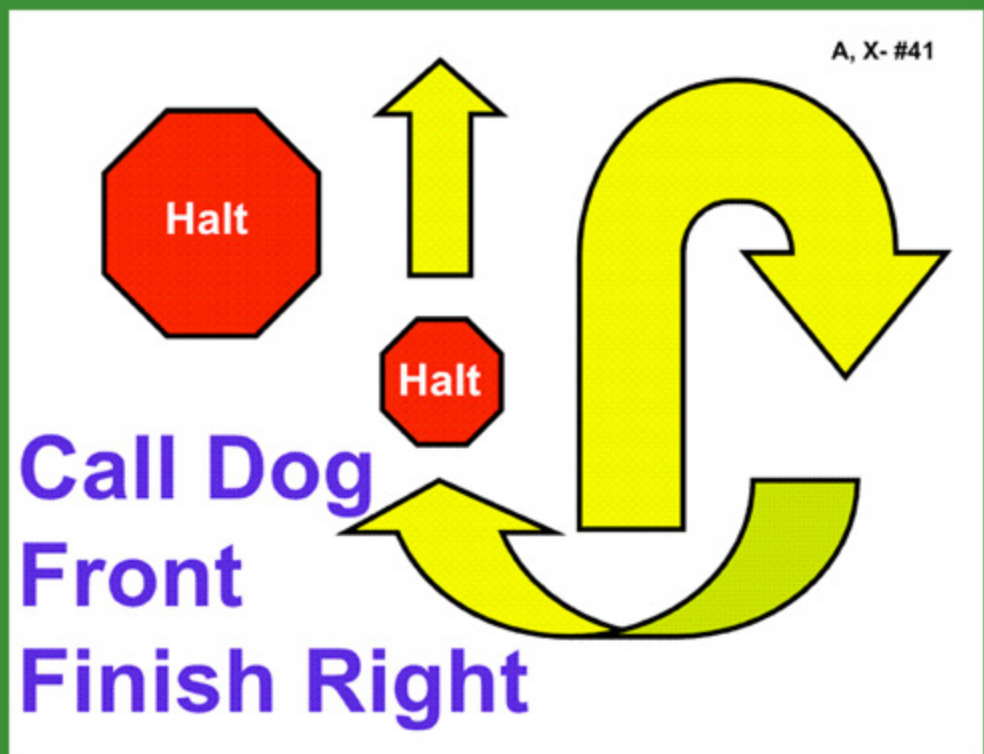
### Our judges:

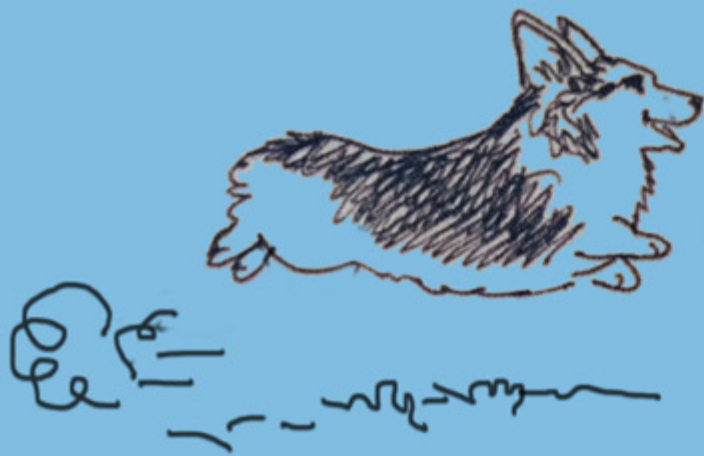
Saturday, Sept. 5--Nancy Withers (morning and afternoon)

Sunday, September 6--Michael Mooney (morning and afternoon)

The premium will be available on the PWCCP website, [infodog.com](http://infodog.com), and the AKC events page.

Sherrie Biernacki, Chair  
[smbiernacki@gmail.com](mailto:smbiernacki@gmail.com)  
Carol Schwartz, Co-Chair





*Get ready to run!*

*PWCCP*

*All-Breed Fast CAT*

*October 2, 3, and 4, 2026*

*Gamber Fire Dept.*

*Finksburg, MD*

Go to [sugarloafmountainracing.com](http://sugarloafmountainracing.com)  
for the premium and on-line payment.

October 9 will include the Sixth Annual  
Corgi/Clumber Rumble!



## PWCCP CALENDAR

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**April 15-17th 2026**

**53rd & 54th Specialty Show, Obedience & Rally Trials**  
**Location: Holiday Inn Morgantown and Morgantown Center,**  
**Morgantown, PA**  
**Judges:**

**Deborah Royster (FOXWOOD) Sweepstakes**  
**Andrew Carter (SADDLE LANE) - Breed (Thursday)**  
**Chris Blance (PENLIATH) – Breed (Friday)**  
**Dr. Karen Westerfield Tucker - Obedience / Rally**  
**Show Chair: Denise Hartley, dogsrunamuck@hotmail.com**  
**Co-Chair: Michele Pohl**

*The calendar is compiled by Kathy Kelly, Calendar Coordinator. Please send any updates or corrections to kitkat1662@gmail.com*

**Wednesday, April 15, 2026**

**B Match**

**Chair: Judy Bolin**

**Time: 6:00 PM**

**Entries accepted on the day of the event**

**Classes: 4-6 month puppy, 6-9 puppy, 9-12 months, bred-by exhibitor, American bred, and open.**

**General Membership Meeting April 16th, following specialty judging**

**May 9th 2026**

**Board Meeting via Zoom, 10:00 am**

**June 2026 (TBD)**

**Fun Fair and General Membership Meeting during Lunch**

**Puppy Ring Time Fun, Fun Fair, Parade of Rescues**

**Location: Johnsville Ruritan Pavilion, Johnsville Ruritan Club, 11136 Green Valley Rd, Union Bridge, MD**

**Chair: Carol Lord Openhym - Clopenhym@gmail.com**

**July 24-26, 2026**

**PWCCP Agility Trial, All Breed/Mix**

**Chair: Kim Tilbury**

**Koko7brooke@yahoo.com**

**OTHER: Asst Chair: Sharon Leh**

**September 5-6th, 2026**

**All-Breed Rally Trials**

**Location: Canine Training Association, Beltsville, MD.**

**Chair: Sherrie Biernacki**

**Co-Chair: Carol Schwartz**

**Judges:**

**Nancy Withers (Saturday) and**

**Mike Mooney (Sunday).**

**October 2026 (TBD)**

**All Breed Fast CAT (Pending AKC approval)**

**October 2-4, 2026**

**Corgi Clumber Rumble & Picnic Oct 3**

**Location: Gamber VFD Carnival Grounds**

**Finksburg, MD**

**Chair: Carol Schwartz**

**carted1@comcast.net**

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**November 2026 (TBD)**

**Holiday Luncheon**

**Location and Time:**

**TBD**

**Chairs: Kandy Boll and John Dugan**

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**2027**

**April 21-23, 2027**

**55th & 56th Specialty Show, Obedience & Rally Trials (pending AKC approval)**

**Location: Holiday Inn Morgantown and Morgantown Center, Morgantown, PA**

**Chairs: Deborah Harrold and Sherrie Biernacki**

## ADVERTISING IN THE TIDE

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Advertising in The Tide is limited to PWCCP members and PWCCA-affiliate club members. Advertising rates for non-PWCCP members (unless invited to advertise because of a PWCCP specialty or match win) and commercial businesses are double the PWCCP member rates and are subject to approval by the editor. Advertising on the front cover or on page two is available by invitation from the editor.

**Please review the following guidelines so that all the information that you wish to include is provided to us. This will prevent us from having to request additional information and will help to avoid confusion by having everything submitted at the same time.**

### **Any or all of the following items may be submitted:**

- Registered and call name of the dog.
- Sire and dam. It is generally a good idea to include the sire and dam for conformation Corgis. Sire and dam may be included for performance dogs. Rescue Corgis in performance under the AKC PALS program would not have a breed history, so would not have this included.
- What was achieved? What accomplishment(s) are you advertising?
- Where was it achieved (location and show)?
- Under which judge?
- On what date?
- Breeder (may be acknowledged formally or with such phrases as heartfelt thanks, etc.)
- Handler (including owner/handler and in the case of a handler not the owner may include thank yous).
- Owner (in the case of a particularly crowded ad, where the owner/handler is pictured, this can be noted in the picture).
- Photos: You must supply the name of the photographer or studio, even if you took the pictures yourself. It is the policy of The Tide to give attribution on all photos. Attribution is a legal requirement for professional photos. If there are special circumstances where the photographer is not known, please discuss with the Advertising Editor, or with the Editor.
- People in the photos: Judge and professional handler may be identified out of courtesy and as helpful information. Owner/handler is optional if ad is submitted by the owner/handler.
- Kennel logos are a good idea and may be included.
- Phone numbers, addresses, and email of breeders can be included by the breeder or with permission of the breeder if they are the advertiser, a member or if they co-own the dog with the advertiser. Publication of non-club members' names, addresses, and phone numbers may be listed in the Tide for those who co-own dogs with the advertiser.
- Finally, include any special text or explanations. (Please note that space is limited, and a long text will result in much smaller pictures, etc.)

### **Advertising rates for PWCCP members:**

Front Cover Ad: \$50.00  
includes up to 7.5" wide x 4.5" high "Cover Story" ad on an inside page to go with the cover ad.

Full Page Ad \$35.00

Half Page Ad \$25.00

Business Card \$7.50

A 10% discount for four ads or business card ads in a year. Full payment for four ads must be made at the time of the first ad. The front cover is not included in discount ads.