



Top Sires & Dams IN THE WORKING AND HERDING GROUP

Breeders and owners tell us more about their top producer

*Based on official AKC records Jan. 1, 2012, through Dec. 31, 2012.

TOP SIRE QUESTIONS

1. Provide a brief biography of yourselves and your experience in the sport.
2. Provide a brief biography of your sire's breeder(s) and background in the sport, if you are not the breeder.
3. Briefly describe the highlights of your sire's show career.
4. What is significant about the breeding that produced him, his sire and dam or the dogs behind him?
5. Are there two or three traits that you feel he is particularly prepotent for?

CH. POKER FLAT'S THE LIFE OF RILEY Alaskan Malamute (Tied)

Owner: *LeAnn Missana*

'Riley' was my second Malamute but my first purchased as a show dog. I have been in the sport of showing dogs since I was 13. I, along with my family, have been breeding and showing Malamutes for 15 years.

I purchased Riley from Poker Flat kennels located in Champaign, Ill. Robin Haggard and Jim Kuehl are exceptional breeders and are still revered in the Malamute ring today.

Over the years they have guided me in my breeding program and show career. Riley is the foundation of my kennel, Bad Axe Malamutes.

Riley started his show career at 6 months of age and finished his championship in less than a year with limited showing. He was the No. 2 puppy dog for 2000 in the Alaskan Malamute Club of America standings. Riley's show career continued with much success, and he taught me many things over the years. He was an exceptional specimen of breed type and had a beautiful head piece. His temperament and personality are prevalent in his offspring today. Although he was only bred a handful of times, his offspring have mirrored his excellence and work ethic.

I have included a photo of us at the 2009 National

Specialty, when Riley was 10 years old. He passed on in 2011, leaving behind his beautiful attributes I see in each of his pups. For these reasons he is missed but never forgotten.

CH. ELAN'S COMMAND DECISION REIMROC Great Dane

Owners: *Jessica Gerszewski, John Gerszewski, Naomi Yakota, Romie Cormier, Sheila Cormier*

1. & 2. John and I have had a successful experience in Great Danes both as breeder and as handlers since about 1972. 'Gable' has helped us to achieve most of our goals. Not only was he a fabulous show dog, he is now breaking records as a producer. He currently is the top-producing Great Dane in the history of the breed. He has sired champions to date.

3. In 2008 Gable won BOS, Stud Dog Class and two Awards of Merit at the GDCA National Specialty. In 2009 he won BIS at the GDCA National Specialty, and throughout the year had 31 BISS wins and two BIS wins, and was the No. 1 Great Dane in the all-breed system. In 2010 he was a top 20 winner and the No. 1 stud dog of all breeds with 23 champions. In 2011 he was the No. 1 stud dog in the Working Group with 16 champions and winner of AKC's Champion of Health Award. And in 2012, at the age of 8, Gable was again a Stud Dog Class winner at the GDCA National Specialty.

4. Gable is the product of combining very strong, well-managed lines; ours is 'Elan,' and Ray Cataldi Jr.'s is 'Rojon.'



Ch. Poker Flat's The Life of Riley

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