

Guide to the Winkie (W.E.) Mackay-Smith papers

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Summary Information

Repository	American Kennel Club Archives
Creator	Bull Terrier Club of America.
Creator	Mackay-Smith, W.E.
Title	Winkie (W.E.) Mackay-Smith papers
Date [bulk]	Bulk, 1981-1991
Date [inclusive]	1967-1997
Extent	1.0 Linear feet in 2 document boxes.
Language	English
Language of Materials	Materials are in English.

Preferred Citation

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Biographical Note

Winkie Mackay-Smith, also known as W.E. Mackay-Smith and Mrs. Matthew Mackay-Smith, was (with her husband) the head of Banbury Kennels, a top Bull Terrier breeder. Banbury is now called Banbury-Bedrock and is still run by Mrs. Mackay-Smith, along with Mary Remer, current First Vice President of the BTCA.. Dogs owned by Mrs. Mackay-Smith have won the Silverwood competition three times (in 1971, 1975, and 1984). A Banbury-Bedrock dog won the National Specialty Best of Breed in 1989. Mackay-Smith's dogs have also won five Lovell Trophies, six Raydium Brigadier Trophies, and more. Mackay-Smith was on the board of the BTCA for seven years from 1984 through 1990, serving as Second Vice President and First Vice President.

At the same time, she chaired the Luxating Patella Committee and the Education Committee. She spearheaded the formal merit point system that became the ROM program, and edited the BTCA Illustrated Standard, which was published in 1991. She researched and prepared the club's pamphlet on luxating patella and put together a video for the AKC on the Bull Terrier. She has written many articles on Bull Terriers and in 1997 wrote the chapter on Silverwood for the BTCA's Centennial History. In 1988 she was awarded the BCTA's prestigious Bar Sinister Award. Mackay-Smith remains a tireless advocate for Bull Terriers, and is especially concerned about genetic issues with the breed. In 1993 she stopped judging competitions because she felt genetic defects were not being taken seriously enough by breeders. The Banbury-Bedrock website contains additional editorials by Mackay-Smith.

Scope and Contents Note

Winkie (W.E.) Mackay-Smith's papers, date mostly from the 1980's, although there is some material from as early as 1967 and from as late as 1997. The collection provides a more in-depth look at some of the Bull Terrier Club of America's concerns and politics during the 1980's, a particularly active and turbulent time for the Club. The membership was divided and there were many conflicts. Elections were hotly contested. The editor of *Barks* was fired, in a controversial move by the Board of Directors. The Welfare Foundation was initiated. Bull Terriers were in the news because of the Spuds Mackenzie beer commercials and media-fed public panic about Pit Bulls, with whom Bull Terriers were often confused. New research into canine genetic defects had the potential to influence Bull Terrier breeding programs. In addition to her copies of the minutes, the series consists of correspondence to Mackay-Smith, drafts of articles by Mackay-Smith, articles by others clipped by Mackay-Smith (with a particular focus on genetic issues), correspondence on zinc metabolism syndrome (zinc deficiency) and other genetic issues, materials regarding BTCA elections and the Welfare Foundation, and materials related to Mackay-Smith's work for the BTCA on luxating patellas, the Bull Terrier video, the Illustrated Standard, and Silverwood.

Arrangement

Materials are in MacKay-Smith's original order, arranged alphabetically by Mackay-Smith's subject titles, and chronologically within the folders.

Administrative Information

Publication Information

American Kennel Club Archives

Access Restrictions

This material is open to research by appointment.

Publishing and Use Restrictions

Many of the materials are part of the public domain and permission to publish or use materials must be obtained in writing from the American Kennel Club and the copyright holder.

Provenance

The collection is a gift of Winkie (W.E.) Mackay-Smith.

Related Materials

Related Archival Materials

The American Kennel Club also holds the *Bull Terrier Club of America records* which include the meeting minutes and publications (including books, catalogs, and the newsletter Barks) of the club. The dates in the collection span from 1947 to 2006.

Controlled Access Headings

Corporate Name(s)

- Bull Terrier Club of America.

Genre(s)

- Breed standards
- Breed standards--Illustrated
- Clippings
- Correspondence
- Minutes

Personal Name(s)

- Mackay-Smith, W.E.
- Mackay-Smith, W.E.

Subject(s)

- Bull terrier
- Dogs--Breeding
- Genetics
- Terriers (group)

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Collection Inventory

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	Dates	Box	Folder
Articles and Clippings	1979-1993	6	1
Articles and Clippings	Undated	6	2
Articles and Clippings	Undated	6	3
Bull Terrier Club of America (BTCA) Elections	Undated, 1983-1986	6	4
BTCA Member Problems	1982-1986	6	5
BTCA Minutes	1982-1985	6	6
BTCA Minutes	1986-1989	6	7
BTCA Next Meeting	Undated, May 1987- Jan 1988	6	8

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BTCA Other	Undated, 1968-1986	6	9
BTCA Publications	1982-1984	6	10
BTCA Publications	Undated, 1985-1986	6	11
BTCA Regional Directory	1986	7	1
Bull Terrier Video	1986-1987	7	2
Genetics: Articles and reports	Undated, 1967-1987	7	3
Genetics: Correspondence and photographs	1981-1991	7	4
Health Committee	1996-1997	7	5
Illustrated Standard Invoices	1991	7	6
Luxating Patella	1983-1985	7	7
Luxating Patella	Undated, 1986-1989	7	8

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Silverwood	Undated, 1979-1989	7	9
Silverwood Chapter (written for Centennial History)	1996	7	10
Welfare Foundation	Undated, 1988-1990	7	11
Welfare Manual	Undated, 1982	7	12