

Peanut Polo Invitational 2010



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ABOUT THE POLO PEANUT CUP

Little Peanut, the tiny Chinese Shar-pei came to Canada to Merlin's Hope Chow Pei Rescue, all the way from Los Angeles, California. Peanut was used by someone as a breeding female for many years. The moment she was no longer of any use to her previous owners, she was literally tossed into the garbage for dead.

Someone found her abandoned in the trash and turned her in to a local shelter in Los Angeles. Little Peanut was so sick, she was deemed un-adoptable by the shelter and immediately put on death row. Rescued by Merlin's Hope Chow Pei Rescue, just under the wire, Little Peanut became an icon of canine rescue and a true triumph of spirit. She had deformed legs from having stood on chicken wire all her life, Little Peanut had to have her eye removed, and parts of her jaw, but she was a true survivor, a spirited spitfire, with oodles of grace and character and everyone who met her fell in love with her

The Peanut Cup Is About ALL Rescues

Peanut's life story depicts the glory and plight of ALL puppy mill rescue dogs everywhere. This polo tournament is in aid of the MANY canine rescues to raise funds so that they can continue to do their work in the canine rescue community. So many of our beloved pets end up in Rescues for any myriad of reasons. More and more, Rescue plays a vital role in removing a large burden off of the municipal and local shelter systems.

This is also a grand opportunity to educate the general public about the origins and plights of rescue dogs, and to demonstrate how easily and wonderfully these animals can be rehabilitated to move on to new lives in new homes with new and caring families.

Little Peanut passed away on October 1st, 2008, but she leaves behind her legacy and hopes that all rescues may find comfort and care in the arms of the dedicated Canine Rescuer.



**Please help stop the
Puppy Mill process
Never purchase dogs from
pet stores. Consider adoption
as your first option!**

The organizers of the Peanut Cup wish to express our profound thanks to the Augusta Polo Club for donating their facilities to us today.

We thank the polo players, many who have come from great distances to play in the Peanut Cup, and we thank all of the sponsors and people who have graciously donated their time, their talents, many products and funds in order for us to host this prestigious event here today.

We also thank the spectators who have come today to show their support and caring for Rescue Animals.

WE THANK YOU!

The puppy mill survivor who ventures to trust a human being despite a history of cruelty and neglect is a triumph of the spirit from which we can all learn.



Schedule of Events

12:00 noon PeeWee Prince Philip Games

The talented youngsters of the Canadian Pony club will show you just how easy it is to do magic tricks on a horse!

01:00 PM Exhibition Game

Anyone can play polo. It's very normal to see both young & old, male & female playing together in a polo match. You don't have to be a professional to play polo. Some of the riders in this match have only been riding for a very short time - and just LOOK AT THEM GO!

02:00 PM 2-Goal Match

Seasoned players from Augusta and Toronto, battle it out for the prestigious Peanut Polo Cup. Will the Canine Crusaders be able to defend their title?

National Anthem

*Official Throw-In by
the Reeve of Augusta, Mr. Mel Campbell*

At half time:
IN CONCERT WITH:
Miss Brittany Kwasnik



Participating Rescues

Alaskan Malamute Help League
Augusta Dalmatian Rescue
Bassethound Rescue Quebec
Blue Moon Catahoula/Big Dog Rescue
Boston Terrier Club of Canada Rescue
Canadian Chihuahua Rescue & Transport
Merlin's Hope Chow / Shar-Pei Rescue
Rat Terrier Rescue Canada
Shiba Rescue GTA

Stroll along the grounds and visit the different rescues. They've all got valuable information for you!

Learn how the adoption process works, where many of these rescue dogs come from and how you can help lessen the impact of dogs who are re-cycled back into the system.

This is also a wonderful opportunity for you to understand if the dog you are interested in, is right for you, your lifestyle and your family.

Don't forget to buy your raffle ticket! In doing so you are supporting canine rescue and just think of the wonderful prizes you could win.

PLEASE KEEP DOGS LEASHED AT ALL TIMES!!! & DON'T FORGET TO POOP 'N SCOOP!

*Best of Luck
from:
Crooked Brook Polo Jerseys*

The Teams

**RED
JERSEY**



Team Canine Crusaders

**WHITE
JERSEY**



Team Kitty Kats

The Umpires

Richard Thompson
Jennifer Fenton

Master of Ceremonies

Steve Sadler



CAUTION!
Please stay
behind the white
line! **HEADS UP**
and keep an eye
on the ball.
Steer clear
of horses!

About Polo

- Imagine running at top speed on a horse, out in the open, with nothing between you, but the sound of the wind!
- Imagine the crackling sound of a ball hit at over 100 miles per hour.
- Imagine the sound of thunder behind you, chasing you like live prey!
- Imagine the victorious feeling of having won a war!

That's the sport of equestrian polo.

Polo is currently played in more than 60 countries and enjoyed by more than 50 million people each and every year.

Almost all polo players will tell you that:

“Once you've played polo... you're addicted forever.

The only way to get out of the sport is to go broke or die.”

Polo is an exhilarating, extreme and exciting sport compared to no other.

Polo is a pure adrenalin sport, and professional polo players are sublime athletes, committed 100% to their sport.

While most equestrian sport involves the rider and the horse, polo is compounded in that it is a team sport.

Therefore on the field there are 16 different personalities running around at any given moment.

Polo is also a lifestyle, not just a sport or a pass time for the rich.

Whether for pleasure or at the professional level, people and families' lives revolve entirely around polo. This includes work habits, entertainment and travel habits, daily living and expenditure habits; all effected by the fact they are involved with polo.

Good Luck! Bonne Chance!
Famille Leblanc

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Puppy Mills

In short Puppy Mills are like factory farms for pure bred and designer dogs. The puppies are primarily kept in small wire cages, often stacked on top of each other. These conditions are often unsanitary and breeding grounds for disease and general poor health. In many puppy mills wire cages are used so that all urine and fecal matter falls through the wire to make cleaning easier. But because the cages are piled on top of each other, the puppies live in waste from the dog above them. Very often there is inadequate temperature control both in summer and winter so the dogs will be exposed to extreme cold and heat. They will stay in these often deplorable conditions for about eight weeks until they are old enough to be sold at a pet shop.



These puppies are given little affection and minimal contact with humans so socialization, so important at that age, is often absent. Although many end up being sold to pet shops, others that are in bad shape or emotionally scarred may be either killed, sold for research, or kept in the puppy mill as breeding dogs.

The breeding dogs have the worst case scenario as they spend their entire lives in puppy mills. When they can no longer breed, they are either killed or sold for research. They are no longer valuable and die having known nothing but misery their entire lives.

What can you do?

Write an article for your local or school newspaper telling your community why they should consider adopting rather than buying a pet from a pet shop or puppy mill.

Of course puppy mills are one of many problems that companion animals face. Also make sure to talk about overpopulation requiring the euthanasia of thousands of dogs and cats and the reasons why spaying and neutering your companion animal is vital.



**Is This Dog for You and Your Family?
Visit any one of the Rescues here today and learn
how to qualify your lifestyle together with your
new family member!**

POLO GLOSSARY

BUMP

A player is permitted to ride into another player so as to spoil his/her shot. The angle of collision must be slight causing no more than a jar. The faster the horse travels, the smaller the angle must be. A good bump can shake your dentures loose!

CHUKKER

Also called a period. There are four or six chukkers in a polo game each lasting 7 minutes. A player returns each chukker on a different horse, although a player may rest one for a chukker or two and play the horse again during the game.



GOAL

Any time a ball crosses the line between the goal posts, it is considered a goal regardless of whether a horse or a mallet caused the ball to go through. In order to equalize wind and turf conditions, the teams change sides after every goal scored.

HANDICAPS

All players are rated on a scale of 1 to 10 (the higher the better). The handicap of the team is the sum total rating of its players and in handicap matches the team with the higher handicap gives the difference in ratings to the other team. For example a 6-goal team will give two goals to a 4-goal team.

HOOK

A player may spoil another's shot by putting his mallet in the way of the striking player. A cross hook occurs when the player reaches over his opponent's mount in an attempt to hook; this is considered a foul.

KNOCK-IN

Should a team, in an offensive drive, hit the ball across the opponent's back line, the defending team, resumes the game with a free hit from their back line. No time-out is allowed for knock-ins.



**Did you get your Peanut Cup
T-Shirt yet? Don't Forget!**

More Polo Glossary!

A chukker begins and many plays resume with the umpires bowling the ball between the two ready teams.

OUT OF BOUNDS

When a ball crosses the sideline or goes over the sideboards it is considered out of bounds and the umpire throws in another ball between the two teams at that point. No time-out is allowed for an out-of-bounds ball.

POSITIONS

Each of the 4 team members plays a distinctly different position. Since polo is such a fluid game, the players may momentarily change positions but will try and return to their initial assignment. No.1 is the most forward offensive player. No.2 is just as offensive but plays deeper and works harder. No.3 is the pivot player between offense and defence and tries to turn all plays to the offense. No 4 or the Back, is the defensive player whose role is principally to protect the goal.



SAFETY

Penalty No.6. When a defending player hits the ball across his own backline, the other team is awarded a free hit 60 yards from the backline with the ball placed at the same distance from the sideline as when it went out.

THIRD MAN

The referee sitting at the sidelines. If and when the two umpires on the field are in disagreement, the third man makes the final decision.

TIME OUT

An umpire calls time-out when a foul is committed, and accident occurs or at his own discretion. A player may only call time-out if he has broken tack or is injured. No time-out is allowed for changing horses or replacing a broken mallet, although a player may do so at any time.

Richard Thompson
Horsemanship



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CAUTION HORSES!

HEADS UP! Keep your eyes
on the players and the ball.

Currently in North America, more than 6 million dogs
are euthanized annually because they are homeless.
**PLEASE SAVE A LIFE BY CHOOSING ADOPTION
AS YOUR OPTION!**

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A Canadian Wonder

Miss Brittany Kwasnik



I Don't Know Me.

BRITTANY
KWASNIK

In a matter of one year, 16 year old Brittany, has gone from anonymity to one of the fastest emerging artists in Canada. She has had a series of feature articles in USA Today, The Montreal Gazette, and every major daily newspaper in Canada. Some newspapers have run several features on Brittany.

Television appearances include Canada AM, and CBC's The National with Peter Mansbridge.

One of her songs "Breathe" led to her discovery on the Internet by entertainer Greg London. That led us to a multi-year and multi-CD recording deal with Montreal's own Justin Time Records. Brittany has recorded in San Diego California with David Zeman (The Rembrandt's – he has co-written the theme from Friends, and Entertainment Tonight,) and in Talhouse France with famed producer Laurent Wolfe. In both cases the opportunity found us.

Brittany has been playing live a lot. Recent concerts include opening for Frazey Ford (Goodbye Tanyas), Karen Elsen (Jack White's wife of White Stripes fame), and Jeffrey Osborne (he has charted 39 times with songs like Just Once, Wu Wu Song).

www.BrittanyKwasnik.com

Brittany is an unbelievable human being.

Brittany has dedicated her career to helping other teens who have a parent or sibling with mental illness. Her non-profit foundation "Nobody Knows" will fund a hotline for the 22 million teens so affected.

*Don't leave the polo grounds
without your copy of Brittany's latest
CD; "I Don't Know Me".*

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compliments
of Kathy Mills*

"Friends"

Artiste:
Kathleen Zins



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