



ABTC BREEDER LISTING and BREED ADVISOR PROGRAMS

With the approval of the ABTC Board of Directors, the newly created Breeder Listing Committee chaired by Becky Hansen and assisted (alphabetically) by Amy Kutcher, JoAnna Rizzo, Lynn Brandenburg, and Vicki McCloud, has submitted plans for an update to the Breeder Listing link contained in the club's website. This was undertaken to facilitate searches done by prospective buyers with a sincere interest in our breed so that they can find ABTC members who responsibly breed dogs and who wish to be listed on the club's website as a breeder. This is to be strictly voluntary on the part of the breeder should they wish to be listed. The listings will be by state of residency.

The committee has established the following requirements to be listed on the ABTC Breeder List:

The breeder must be a regular member of good standing with the ABTC of at least 5 years.

Both prospective parents of a planned breeding must be over two years of age, they must both have OFA numbers for hips and elbows and they must both have current CERF numbers. OFA Thyroid is preferred, but not required.

We are also proud to be implementing a new Breed Advisor Program as an adjunct to the breeder list. This is open to any club member (both breeders AND non-breeders) in good standing of at least 7 years, with at least 5 of those years as a regular member. This will be a separate listing on the ABTC website, also by state of residency. This person would be willing to serve as an advisor to a new Tervuren owner (or someone interested in learning more about the breed) in their geographical area. Many times this is a function of the breeder, but as many of us realize, you can never stop learning and can never have too many knowledgeable mentors to help get a new Terv owner off on the right foot!

This is a strictly voluntary program and simply means a member would be willing to be available to answer general questions from a new (or semi-new) Terv owner. (Please note that we are not, in any way, asking you to field medical questions and any such person should be directed to their own Veterinarian) The Advisor could be especially helpful if the mentor is in a closer geographical area than the breeder and is even able to perhaps make person to person contact if the situation presents itself. This concept perpetuates the long-held belief that most of us pride ourselves on; that Terv folks are most always willing to lend a helping hand and all of us can reflect back with gratitude on those who we counted on to help us do right by our dogs.

Applications for both of these new programs have accompanied this mailing or you may also request them from ABTCBreederListing@gmail.com. Please fill them out, sign them and return them for your information to be listed on the ABTC Website. You can email the applications to ABTCBreederListing@gmail.com or you may snail mail them to: Becky Hansen 6175 Casa Loma Ave. Las Vegas, NV 89156.

The success of these two programs depends on your participation! Thank you to our valued club members and breeders for bringing these two long awaited and much needed programs to fruition!

Respectfully Submitted,

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