

I started showing dogs at about 11, if you count me taking my obese family pet Doxie down to the local “pet” show. She was awarded “Fattest Brown Dog”! I had always wanted to show dogs after watching Big Red, but horses were my main distraction. My first 4H dog project was the family GSD in Obedience. He had some training so we did pretty well.

Livestock judging and showing hogs were my High School passion with FFA. I was also a varsity letter earner on the Rifle Team! Went to State finals 3 years! I got my first AKC Miniature Pinscher in 1979 and started showing. Didn't take long to see I needed a better dog, so found a couple and enjoyed showing them for decades. I am honored to be a “Life member” of the MPCA.

Along the way I owned and showed a Borzoi and a couple of Wirehaired Pointing Griffons and was a founding member of their National club. I wanted to find a smaller breed that didn't need cropping or docking and when I first saw Susan's Captain I was hooked. I actually joined the start up club of the current PPPA at that time.

Through the years I have been a member and served on various Board positions of All Breed, National and Group dog clubs, as well as Car clubs and Business Associations. I have been grooming dogs since 1983 and value all of my regular clients like family.

I started my judging license journey in 2020 (not great timing) and am currently regular status in Min Pins and Provisional in Js, Affenpinschers, IG's, Russian Toys, Silky Terriers, PPP's and Lagottos. I am only a few credits short of adding a few more. I have taken seminars in dozens of other Hound and Toy breeds as well as Sporting. I very much enjoy learning about other breeds and the specific jobs the breeds traits were developed for.

It is always an honor to be able to serve a club and their membership and treasure my time doing so.