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The Neapolitan Mastiff Club

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Thank you for your interest in: The Neapolitan Mastiff Club

The Neapolitan Mastiff Club was founded by a group of fellow enthusiasts who wished to increase their knowledge and understanding of this highly individualistic breed. Realising that, with the rise in popularity of the breed there were many other Mastino enthusiasts 'out there' wishing to do the same, they formed The 'proposed' Neapolitan Mastiff Club, in October 1998,

The purpose of the Club was to provide its membership with the knowledge, information and understanding they collectively sought, to enable them to protect the interests of the Neapolitan Mastiff in the UK. They were aiming to: ensure the care, the well-being and the welfare of the Neapolitan Mastiff. To protect the breed against abuse, neglect and unethical practices and, to promote the development of the Neapolitan Mastiff, to the highest possible standard. That purpose is the same today as it was back in 1998.

In February 2002, The Neapolitan Mastiff Club, was officially Recognised by The Kennel Club, as the UK's Official Breed Club and, the Club has gone from strength to strength. On joining the Club, new members receive our Welcome to the Club pack, when members are ratified they receive a Breed Information Pack and each year, members receive two glossy Newsletters packed with articles, Ads, pictures, news, views & information. Membership of the Club also ensures that each member is assured of a help and support network as and when it is required.

The Neapolitan Mastiff remains a 'Rare Breed' without Championship Status and as such, are not yet allocated Challenge Certificates in recognition of wins at Championship shows. We are unable, at present, to host our own Championship show but we do however, host an annual Breed Open show each year, which members are entitled to enter at a reduced rate. The Club Open show attracts an average entry of 50 Neapolitan Mastiffs per annum, which is the largest gathering of Mastini & Mastino enthusiasts in the UK. Our members, who take up the enjoyable hobby of exhibiting their Mastini at Dog Shows, are able to follow their own achievements each week, through the Neapolitan Mastiff Breed Notes published in Our Dogs and Dog World weekly newspapers.

From the foundation of The Neapolitan Mastiff Club, Breed Welfare has been and continues to be, an on-going issue of concern. Our Welfare Organisation was established at the turn of the century with the primary purpose of: endeavouring to alleviate the suffering of unwanted and or abandoned Neapolitan Mastiffs. Neapolitan Mastiff Welfare is a Voluntary Organisation, administered and co-ordinated by fellow enthusiasts and financial donations. All new joiners to The Neapolitan Mastiff Club automatically make a donation to the Welfare fund when they pay their subscription and we encourage our renewals to follow suit. Welfare web site at: www.neapolitanmastiffwelfare.co.uk

Once again, we thank you for your interest in The Neapolitan Mastiff Club, and look forward to receiving your completed application form and relevant subscription.