I started in poms in 1985 … I cannot believe it has been that long. We, my husband Walter and I, have a farm and I had always been active on the farm. With a herd of 150 head of sheep; I raised and trained Australian Shepherds for use on the sheep and cattle. I became quite sick, and had to give up all outside work and the breeding and training of the Aussies. Looking for something to do, after being active for so long, I started to look for a small breed of dog, something I could handle. I was actually looking for a Yorkie, when I found my first female Pomeranian, Phoebe. She was a pet, but I thought she was nice.

Everything escalated from that point. A good friend, Janie Brumfield, and I started to working together, hence, Jan-Shar. We bought our first show dog from Charlotte Creed from the famous kennel of Southland Poms. His name was CH. Bev-Nor & Southland Rambo. He was also bred by Bev Norris of the famed kennel of Bev-Nor.

What a dog Rambo turned out to be. He produced many champions for us over the years. He died under antistatic having his foot sewed from a cut, at the age of seven. We were devastated, of course, but we had several sons and daughters to carry on here at Jan-Shar.

Janie became very ill and had to eventually quit breeding Poms. She is well today, after being sick for almost seven years. We still keep in contact, and she will always be a good friend.
Jeanne Blank and I became good friends and she started to show a few dogs for me. Her most famous dog was BIS CH Absolutes Magic Mountain. He was sired by CH. Jan-Shars Mountain Dew and Jan-Shars Madonna ROMX. Madonna was Jeanne's female and Dewy actually belonged to a man in Indonesia. Jean was showing him at the time. Magic was a little doll. He produced many champions for Jean and I. He also died at a young age of 7. He was here at, Jan-Shars, the time he died in his sleep. We never knew of what. Jeanne Blank also got out of dogs. Due to the fact, Jeanne had two children to raise, I was keeping another dog of Jeanne's, CH. Dooshay's Absolute and decided to use him to breed a few outcrosses to try and strengthen my lines. My goodness, what beauties he produced. He threw a beautiful coat and head. Heads I still see in my dogs today.

Those were the basic lines for Jan-Shars dogs for the first 10 years. Since then, I have brought in dogs from all over the world. Always looking for the outcross I knew I needed to continue with Pomeranians. The gene pool in the States
is rather limited. I found the perfect out-cross for Jan-Shar bitches in Tookeye’s The Gold Smith, a cream dog. I bought him from Ruth Keyes in England. He was too big to show and finish here. But, the cross with my dogs was superior. Pups were breath taking, sometimes too big. But, when they were the right size, they were something to see.

The next line I brought in was CH Rock N Tradition Of Oakridge owned by Nina Epps. She also loaned me CH Tradition’s Legend Of Oakridge, “Mikey.” I loved Mikey; he was one of my favorite dogs of all times. This cross was also fabulous with my dogs. Those are the main lines in my dogs today. I have bred about 225 champion Poms to date.

My newest project is breeding whites. Believe me, breeding traditional colors was a breeze compared to breeding white. I have been breeding whites about 7 years and have finished 2 white females. CH. Jan-Shars Snow White and CH. Jan-Shars Bling Bling, one of Snow White’s daughters. Snow White’s sire was CH Mercer’s Mostly Duke. I have bought 10 Pomeranians in Canada, March 2006.

Letitia Cannon, my handler with several Jan-Shar show dogs

White female 3 months old

BIS CH. Jan-Shars Dudly Doright
One of the best i have ever bred, owned by Becky Saborin
many, many whites but just cannot seem to get what I want. The flat coat, long legs, hairless legs and big ears of the whites are really hard to get rid of. I finally bred a "typey" cream male, Jan-Shars Ghost Buster who is sired by CH. Jan-Shars N Syne who is a son of the Tookeye's male, and his dam has ¼ white blood line. I bred him to all the whites and creams and have gotten the best whites and cream yet. I am more pleased with these than I have been in the past with the whites, so Maybe I will do better now. I said I wanted a challenge, and I have certainly gotten it.

Breeding Pomeranians has been a labor of love for me. I have loved dogs of every kind since I was a child. I have always tried to not let them consume my life, but of course they have. I strive to produce the soundest, most beautiful, healthy dogs that I possible can. As we all know, this can be a challenge with Pomeranians. I have learned a great deal over the last 20 years and continue to learn everyday. One of the things I most treasure is the friends I have made in the dog world. Special thanks to my handlers Tish and Orville Cannon who love and care for my dogs.

I want to thank the Pomeranian Club of Canada for asking me to do this kennel visit.

**CH Jan-Shars Code Red**
(CH. Jan-Shars Fresh Off The Farm x Jan-Shars Daisy Duke)
This is the last male I finished

**CH. Bev-Nor & Southland Rambo ROM**
(Ch. Bev-Nor's Toastmaster X Bev-Nor's Desiree)
My first champion, Rambo with breeder/handler Charlotte Creed