

"Dippy" cont.

years was 15-1/2". We measured her often before shows and never had a problem. She placed in the American Bred Class at the 1977 National in Connecticut. This time, her handler was Chris Machado, who was helping out; she managed to work her up from the back of the line to fourth place in a class of 42. Bonnie Jean was RWB the day before at the Tri State Specialty. She was finished fairly easily by Linda More and was one of the first Shelties Linda finished for clients after becoming a professional handler.

Bonnie Jean was bred to Am. Can. Ch. Barwoods Weather Report ROM, and produced Ch. Cindahope Tammie MacPherson and Ch. Cindahope Bonnie Prospect. She was awarded a Certificate of Achievement as a Top Producing Dam for 1984. She was bred to Am. Can. Ch. Macdega Mainstay ROM twice. Unfortunately, we lost two promising puppies to parvo and further bad luck left us with nothing from the group to carry on with. Bonnie Jean was sent to Washington state to be bred to Ch. Banchory The

Cornerstone CD, ROM, and we kept a bitch we called Cindahope Princess Leia. "Leia" was another leggy, late maturing, excellent mover, but when she missed on her first breeding and had only two pups on the second, I decided not to keep her. I should have been more patient because I have since found that some of this line aren't ready to show until they are three to four years old, and have the biggest litters then too. Leia was bred to Am. Can. Ch. Barwoods Weather Report ROM, and produced Cindahope Bad News Bear, who I sold and should not have. The owners did allow me to breed him to Tammie MacPherson, and that breeding produced "Ruffian" who was finished and shown to 30 BOBs and 34 BOS as a Special, handled by Linda More. Her Group placements



1983—Ch. Cindahope Tammie MacPherson with Linda More. Judge Mr. C. Seaver Smith Jr.

were, 5, 4, 7, 2, and she often found herself up against "Chance," "Sir Joshua," and "Goldstrike." This was before it became "politically correct" to put up good bitches. Thank heavens times are changing. She occasionally was up against Millie Nicoll's beautiful bitch, Ch. Birch Hollow Once Upon A Time. Incidentally, Ruffian went on to get her Canadian championship and



"Ruffian, BOB and "Dippy," BW for her first two points. Judge Mrs. B. Adamson. Ruffian went Group 1 under Judge David Parker. 1985, Linda More and Diane Steel handling at Lewiston-Auburn Kennel Club Show.



1985—"Ruffian" with Linda, getting a second Group 1 under Judge David Parker.

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