

MIKKIES TEE NEE MI-KIS¹

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TRUE HISTORY OF THE TOY MI-KI BREED DEVELOPEMENT BY THE ONLY FOUNDER: MAUREEN WESTBERG VANWORMER 1981 - 1991

First called a **Wan Chu Kow**, Rev. Maureen Westberg Van Wormer, to her good luck on February 14, 1980 received one of these sweet little long coated dogs as a gift from her daughter Lt. Com. Deean Van Wormer. This little 5 1/2 lb. dog was bought from a Judy O'Clair in Milwaukee Wisconsin. Judy O'Clair got the sire and dam out of California a year and one half before. However two of pups out of that litter had serious cleft problems Rev. Maureen Westberg Van Wormer speculated this was no doubt due to the breed being too in-bred.

From that first day Rev. Maureen Westberg Van Wormer was determined to develop out of this little Asian breed a new tiny long coated toy breed of dog. A true breed of luxury on a leash. Yet adaptable to a life style that many types of people would be able to share their life with. Lovable, sweet tempered , of extreme intelligence. great beauty, and a small size. With an exemplary breeding program in mind, and with a strict code ethics , Maureen Westberg Van Wormer's intent was to eliminate as many disabilities as possible from a weak strain , due to any and all close inbreeding, since the **Wan Chu Kow** breed was so rare to locate the breed was very close to imposible to locate ;Thus it was that all through 1981 to 1991, A greatly known fact that Rev. Maureen Westberg VanWormer!{ maiden name Mackin] , Not any other breeders] started the Mi-Ki breed by the mix crossing of seven choice toy breeds in her aid in the development of her new breed. Rev. Maureen Westberg Van Wormer read one time in a brochure from the National Canine Association, a statement about [can do] that stuck with her, [Those who say it can't be done, they are those that miss all the fun of the try, thus for anyone trying to steal the glory and credit of the doers are the copycats.

Without the patience nor honesty to create on their own. Now how Rev. Maureen Westberg Van Wormer decided to name her development of the Mi-Ki breed, was by these two reasons , [1] her nick name since a little girl in grade school was and still is Mikkie [2] The Asian name Mi-Ki pronounced Mee-Kee, means new life-new beginning.

Then with her breeding program of 11 years and 65 litters, All while Rev. Maureen Westberg Van Wormer was living in Milwaukee Wisconsin; at 941 S. 35th street , she developed her beloved little jewel of a dog, her Mi-Ki breed. [NO PERSON] has the right to copy right her name as their own] NO ONE! As so stated, this breeds development was with the mix of [7] seven very select tiny toy breeds, Imperial

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Ch'In, Shih Tzu, Maltese, Japanese Spaniel, Yorkshire Terrier, Papillion Tibetan Spaniel Starting with the **Wan Chu Kow**. and a Shih Tzu. This development pleased her greatly. Now this exotic little new breed need no longer be bred into any other breed. By 1990 Rev. VanWormer no longer felt she needed to mix this little modern toy breed. As very much in demand since 1992 this little dog is just right as it is, as any one lucky enough to own one will agree. No one had any right to Rev. Van Wormer's records of breeding until she was ready to divulge them.

It was in March of 1991 she organized the 1st Mi-Ki club. To this date has not given any dog or kennel club the right to use her Mi-Ki name in starting any other Clubs or club up using .Mi-Ki in their club name, and no breeder has permission to alter the Mi-Ki Breed and then still claim it as a Mi-Ki. The Mi-Ki is her development only. Anyone who thinks they can prove otherwise is welcome to step up and try. The TEE-NEE Kennel name is her Kennel name. The true and only Mi-Ki standard as was set by Rev. Maureen Westberg VanWormer , is their only correct standard . Maureen refused years ago, and refuses now to advocate any in-breeding by herself nor any other breeders. Too short coat, nor smooth coats are a Mi-Ki, All Mi-Kis are long silk coated. Nor are they over 10 inches tall or over 10 pounds . In 1995 of November due to a lengthy un-comfortable dispute over another dub registrar, and the theft of Mi-Kis from Maureen Westberg Van Wormer in April, 1995 when Rev. Wormer was in St. Francis Hospital. 8 members held off a club hearing on the accused ethics for months until They could pull out records and club funds , and old club seals , Using them to found a club of their own in January , of 1996. Calling this club [The Greater American Toy Mi-Ki Club. All without permission to use the name Mi-Ki from Maureen [Mikkie]. Those eight members did this with out notifying any of the other 58 club members of their intent. Then in 1998, [4] other members felt Rev. Maureen Van Wormer was not moving forward fast enough , and wished to have the right to her private records , Maureen stood fast and she refused to let them have any records on her first breeding program , stud ,or private registration records on her buyers. These four members too dropped out of the { Imperial Toy Mi-Ki Club } To start a new club [The International Toy Mi-Ki Club,] This club too using the Mi-Ki name with out permission to do so. However let it be said thy gave the credit for the breed development where it was due; This club is also trying to keep the Mi-Ki breed pure so far, However they did not get permission in the naming their club As the true and only person with the right to use the Mi-Ki trade name, Of Mi-Ki is Rev. Maureen Westberg Van Wormer. She has the right to insist {NO ONE TO USE HER NAME ON WHATEVER THEY ARE MIXING AND CALLING MI-KIS WHEN THEY ARE MIXIES, GIVE WHAT THEY ARE BREEDING A NAME OF THEIR OWN}as Maureen did when she developed her breed. In fact in January 1993 in a magazine called Rare Breed Dogs was all about The New breed of dog recently discovered from Japan and picturing Sugar and Boo-Boo in an article shortly after they were bought from me. Those were her very first Mi-Kis.

Rev. Maureen Westberg Van Wormer insist these clubs remove her trade name from their clubs name. One of these other clubs first Mi-Kis were bought through a ad in the Milwaukee Sentinel Journal in 1992 [SUGAR, and BOO-BOO] from Rev. Maureen Westberg Van Wormer. Truly luxury on a leash, More precious than costly jewels, great little eye catchers and crowd pleasers selling at \$500 to \$1000 easy. More than that is outrageous. The breed is exalted an exhibited at many specialty and rare breed shows, Have even been seen on T.V. in 1997 on the FOX AFTER BREAKFAST SHOW.

THE TRUE MI-KI STANDARD

As set forth by Rev. Maureen F. Westberg VanWormer when founding the 1st. and only true MI-Ki Club ever THE IMPERIAL TOY MI-KI CLUB March 12, 1991 to date:

HEAD__ Small well rounded dome, a fully shaved head and face when showing {most often started when the little dog is 10 to 12 wks. of age so it can become used to the clipper a #10 blade is used:

SKULL__ A small soft spot is often present on the top of the skull of this breed , condition can be found on many toy breeds, however in most dogs this closes as it reaches adult-hood {at 6 months of age}:

MUZZLE__ A defined stop, blunt or slightly pointed {never ever more than 2 inches long; nor shorter than 3/4 inches to stop}:

NOSE__ Dark in color, {self coloring accepted in the liver, brown , red or}:

TEETH__ Level to a very slight under-shot bite, must never expose teeth over the top lip; at no time is a over shot- bite accepted:

EYES__ Bright ,prominent , set well apart very alert of expression:

EARS__ Two types; fully fringed with hair on both types , very erect to fully dropped along face, the ears are a large part of the MI-KIs exotic appeal; Both type of ear wing out when excited , so they look like they are ready to fly:

NECK__ Only moderately short {never to long or thick} a truly dainty look:

BODY__ A cobby look is most desired; However a slightly longer body is alright; in fact a female with a longer body seams to have a easier birthing; A level back and rear:

CHEST_ Well rounded;{not wide nor barreled}:

HIGHT__ At no time to exceed 10 inches from floor to the shoulder:

WEIGHT__ Not to be over 10 pounds; Most desired at 3 1/2 to 8 pounds; a female if breeding should be at least 5 1/2 to 8 pounds; {any MI_KI over 10 pounds is pet quality and never considered for exhibition:} Never ever consider a male that size or over as a stud:

LEGS_ Straight fore legs set well under, hind quarters firm with hock set slightly apart well set down giving firm smooth swaying action; straight fringed fur all the way down the legs, in a full chapes like look {never a short or smooth coat look,/ not ever/}:

FEET_ Small long toes; well split up yet not spread; pads well cushioned; 5 toes on the front feet 4 toes on the rear feet; All of the feet should be shaved smooth up to the wrists; this gives a daintier and smoother gait; Due to their long toes, and given to the fact the MI_KI tends to use their front feet in a hand like manner; they often tend to stand when they are relaxed with their front feet turned in or out. this in no way interferes with their truly dainty gait or movements:

COAT_ Only long straight and silky; flowing freely about their body never curly, wooly, nor ever short or smooth and short coated; [Little to no shedding]:

COLOR_ Solid, splashed, grizzle, in all colors; Black, blue, silver, red, brown, orange, tawny yellow, cream to pure white; All colors are a real delight, as the choice is in the eyes of the beholder:

TAIL_ Long full plumage of straight hair; may be carried up over their back, or down in movement; they must be in a full plumage by the time they are 1 1/2 years old. If not this is considered a real flaw in the coat development:

MOVEMENT_ Light, dainty, free moving must cover the ground smoothly with no restrictions to their gate if fast or slow:

The MI-KI is a true toy breed of exotic luxuriously long coat : Quite naturally a MI-Ki coat will grow steadily as the puppy matures, this is just one typical and lovely feature of this exotic breed. Time and careful grooming and conditioning will continue to let carry the look that endears these sweet little gems to so many ,so fast Prices ranging from \$650.00 and up to \$1,500.00, all our puppies are champion blood lines, C.K.C. reg. and N.C.A. reg. and I.T.M. Club reg.

Rev. Maureen Westberg Van Wormer has been requested by the many owners and breeders of the true Mi-Ki to go on the Inter-Net with this true information on the breed. And to request any one who deny these facts to step foreword and prove it.

JOY BRASH OF CHOI'S GEMS FROM TOLONO, IL IS NOT CONNECTED IN ANY WAY WITH MAUREEN OR AMY OF THE TEE-NEE BLOOD LINE

For further information on this exotic little Imperial Toy Mi-Ki; please feel free to get in touch with; Breed Creators and only rightful Mi-Ki Club founders/ Rev. Maureen Westberg VanWormer/ Amy Espinoza at;

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Here are some pictures of the Rev. Van Wormer's very own beautiful Mi-Kis

Pictures included in the article:



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AHHH.....



ALONE AT LAST

WE'RE READY TO



GO BYE-BYE WITH BECKY

JUST WENT TO THE



**GROOMER AND
HAD MY HAIR CUT**



TEE-NEE-JACK-OF-SPADES