

1924 MAIDSTONE KENT ENGLAND CHOW ENTRY – Rare snapshots and film of owners and dogs



CIRCA 1924
MAIDSTONE KENT
DOG SHOW IN ENGLAND

I recently discovered this image in a set of 2" snapshots depicting a dog show chow entry in England

Can you imagine my reaction while researching, when I also found a newsreel of these same chows at the same show?

A perfect chow time capsule is opened!!

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There are times I hit a brick wall in my chow research, and other rare times when every puzzle piece falls seamlessly into

place. These finds which I will detail below were like opening a secret door to chow history.



It all began with a purchase of very small snapshots of a dog show in England that had the name and date of the show written on the back. I paid far more than I had wanted to for these images and hoped when they arrived from England I could see more detail once they were scanned. Little did I know they would prove to be worth every penny paid...really they are priceless in chow breed history terms.

As though that wasn't enough excitement for one day.....

I quickly discovered that the photos I had just acquired were very similar in size and content to some other original English snapshots I had received from another source much earlier. You could have knocked me over with a feather when the same woman and cream/light chow appears in both sets of

images!!!. You can see the rest of these images of this woman and her dogs at [THIS LINK](#)



1924 MAIDSTONE KENT DOG SHOW IN ENGLAND
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MAIDSTONE KENT DOG SHOW 1924-CLICK TO ENLARGE



1924 IMAGE FOUND IN MY STASH-CLICK TO ENLARGE

And now for the icing on the cake...

In my excitement over these discoveries, I started to research everywhere to find out more about this 1924 Maidstone Kent Dog show which was written on the backs of the old photos. Then lo and behold, what do I find in the British Pathe film library, but a 14 second newsreel clip of the EXACT 1924 Maidstone Kent show, featuring some of the chows and handlers in my snapshots.

Only the best were shown in those days, and this was in the infancy of the breed being exhibited in England, so we can

only assume these were some of our top breeders and chows in England in 1924. If any of our chow historian friends in England can identify any of these people or dogs I would be eternally grateful.

BELOW IS THE VIDEO THAT TOOK MY BREATH AWAY. THE FIRST 14 SECONDS IS THE 1924 MAIDSTONE KENT CHOW ENTRY

Below are screenshots I took from the video to stop the action so you can see the people and chows closer. Click thumbnails to enlarge photos





