

**Prince Edward and Princess  
Alexandra with “Mouff”**



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Circa 1940 Prince Edward hugs his pet chow "Mouff" while his sister Princess Alexandra looks on, on the occasion of celebrating his fifth Birthday at the Duke's home  
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What a precious photo this is!! I have a number of photos of The Prince and Princess with this charming chow which I will

be adding to this page as I get them scanned in . This particular image is an original 1940's 8x10 photo I acquired with all the info written on the back. Such a treasure trove of Royal and Chow history all in one photo.

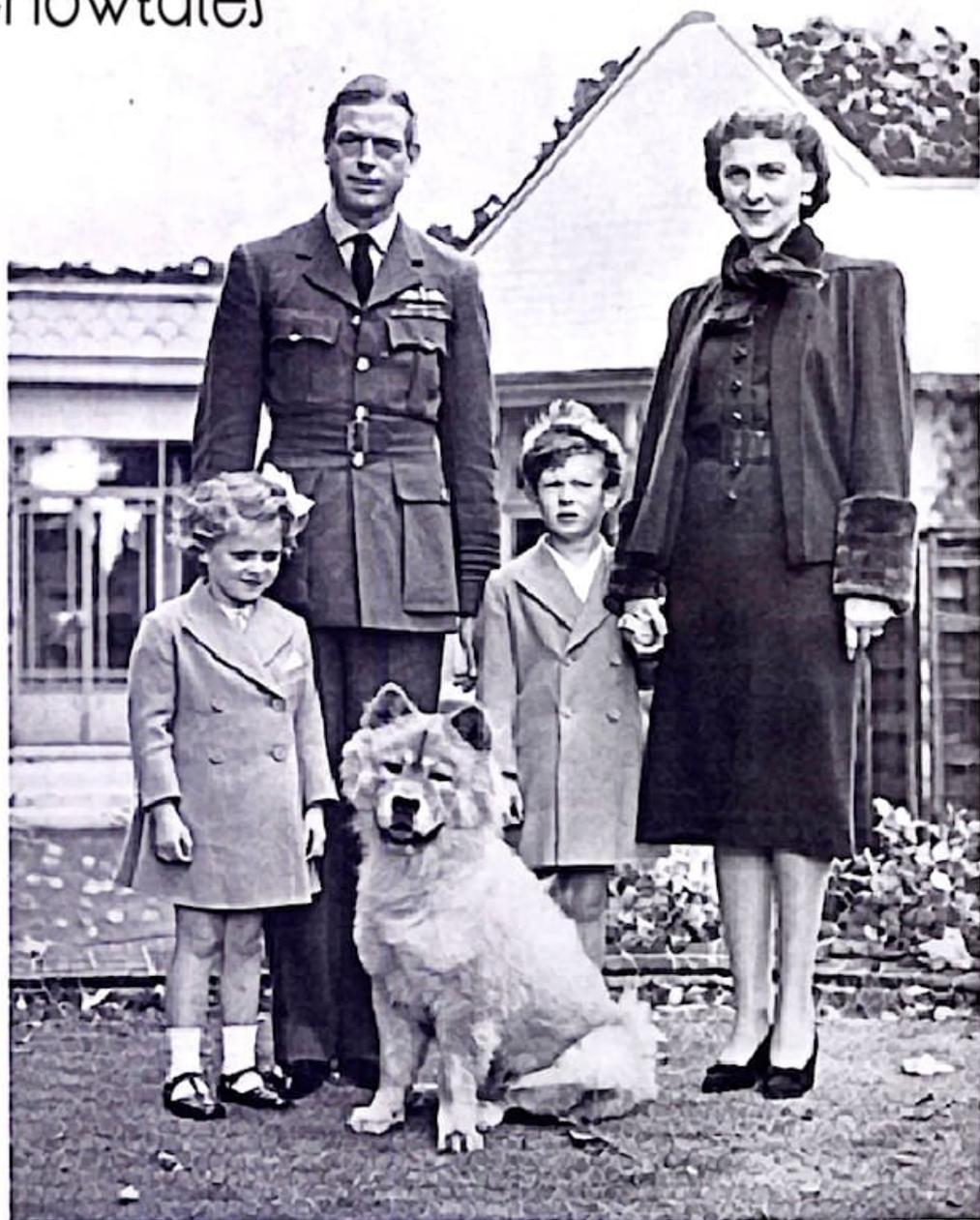
The image below was also from 1940 and I would imagine taken at the same time as the above photo as they are wearing the same clothing

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T.R.H. THE DUKE AND DUCHESS OF KENT, WITH PRINCE EDWARD AND PRINCESS ALEXANDRA AND THEIR DOG MOUFF

*A recent photograph taken at their Buckinghamshire home*

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The Duke of Kent (late father of the present Duke) gifted his daughter, Princess Alexandra, first cousin to the Queen, a superb chow chow, who boasted the elegant pedigree name of Choonam Li Wu T'song, but was always called by the young princess by it's pet name Mouff (pronounced Muff)

source: Pets by Royal Appointment: The Royal Family and their Animals by Brian Hoey



8th October 1938, London, England, The Duke of Kent is pictured walking his pet Chow dog in London's Belgrave Square  
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" MUFF "

*The Pet of T.R.H. The Duke and Duchess of Kent.*

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1930's Artwork of T.R.H. pet chow Muff (Mouff) by Cecil Francis Wardle  
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The late Duke of Kent, the present Duke and Princess Alexandra with their Choonam Chow in 1938.

Circa 1938 – The Royal Family with their Choonam Chow “Mouff”  
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Circa 1938

Duke of Kent  
on the steets  
of London  
with the family  
chow "Mouff"  
or "Muff"

This handsome  
chow was  
bred by the  
famous  
Choonam  
Kennels of  
England.

His registered  
name....

Choonam  
Li Wu Tsong





*Thomas Fall*

From the book  
ROYAL DOGS

Published 1955

Pictured is "Mouff", a chow owned by the Duke of Kent, who was photographed by the legendary canine photographer Thomas Fall.

This paragraph from the book is an account of the day this image was created..... such a chow!!

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Shortly before the war the Duke of Kent added a Chow, one of the famous Choonam strain, to his kennel, and he became a great favourite with the little Princess Alexandra—to whom he was not "Choonam Li Wu T'song," as registered on his pedigree, but just plain "Muff"!

The Chow is supposed to be a "non-sporting" dog, but Muff soon showed that, given the opportunity, he could hunt with the best of them.

On the day when it had been arranged for him to have his photograph taken—the same photograph which appears on page 82—Muff vanished in the grounds of the Duke of Kent's estate at Coppins. When he did turn up to keep the appointment, his toilet had to be a lengthy one!