The Chow in Russia

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Introduction

The first, I would like to mention that I am very grateful to people, who select and save information about pedigrees the first Chow Chows in Russia on internet. We should save our history for today and days to come! In reference section you will find my information source when writing and compiling this article..

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Please note all names of dogs are highlighted in Italics font. Kennel prefixes appear both Bold and Italics.

In the end of the article you will find a map of Russia. Our country is the biggest in the world and the map may help to visualize in which area or region of Russia the mentioned people, kennels and so forth were or are located.

The first Chow in the Soviet time in Russia

Russia is rich in canine traditions. Cynology is an integral part of Russian culture. Our country has every right to be proud of the many native breeds. However, there are some breeds although not of Russian origin that became not only prestigious, but really loved and popular. This is fully applicable to chow chow.

The Moscow population of chow chows took a long time to evolve and there were difficulties involved.

After The Second World War a black chow chow female was brought to The USSR from Manchuria. Her name was *Lotus-Yu Pai*. She was then mated with a black husky male Beno as no chow chow males were available in our country. A female from this litter *Cha Yu Pai* (owned Sokolova) was mated with a chow chow male *Asko* (owned Baryshnikov) imported from the DDR. Two females out of this combination were bred. Their names were *Smoke-Yu Pai* (owned Sokolova) and *Te-Te-He* (owned Kabitsky). They were mated with imported males *Maar White* (owned Titov) and *Maar Colour* (owned Kabitsky).

It seems that the progeny by various parental lines as mentioned above and because only mated with imported males unfortunately not of the best quality did not produce well. As a result the chow chows in Moscow by the mid fifties had a lot to wish for in comparison with the quality in many other countries.

A red male *Artie v. Monta Hamburg* (owned Isidorova) was brought to Moscow from DDR. This male had two positives. He was medium sized and well proportioned. Other than that Artie was lightboned and leggy. He consolidated this type in the breed. He sired several litters with different females.

Also a male called *Umka-1* (owned Shabalina) was used at stud at the end of sixties. His background remains unknown. In those years the number of chow chows was limited. As a result a lot of close inbreeding took place and faults manifested themselves even stronger.

During the early seventies "Zoobedinenie" (the USSR institute in charge of live animals import) brought in several chow puppies from DDR and mostly of kennel "*Langengrund*" breeding. The three females and four males were of uneven type and quality. A red male *Ben Quay v. Al-Ba-Lu* (owner Hantulaeva) was one of the two most interesting of the lot. He was sired by a DDR champion *Fu Kwei v. Eshnapur*. His sire was Dutch breeding. The other one was a female *Ina v. Rensberg* (owner Golubkov). *Fu Kwei v. Eshnapur* was her grandfather.

These DDR imports represented new blood for breeding, but were not able to improve the quality radically.

Additional information of the seven DDR imports:

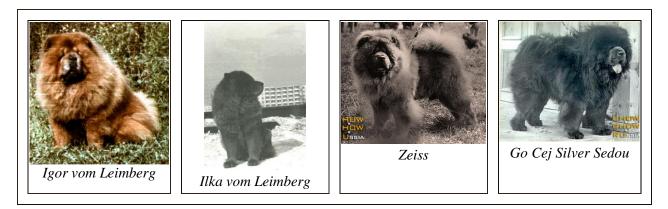
- a red female Ina v. Reinsburg (Erl Kwei v. Irmfriedheim ex Munt v. Borkvalde) owner Golubkov;
- > a red male *Ben Kwei v. Al-Va-Lu* (by *Fu Kwei v. Eshnapur*), owner Khantulaeva;
- litter mates, one of each sex: a male Ali-Pascha v. Langengrund, a female Alka v. Langengrund, owner Bulkakova;
- litter mates, one of each sex: a male Ber v. Langengrund, a female Badshi v. Langengrund
- ➤ a male Bon-Tu v. Langengrund.

Again a little later the breed lacking quality was enriched with new blood by a male *Una* (owned Leontieva) of unknown origin.

In 1973 a new organisation MGOLS (Moscow City Society of dog owners) was established. Fifteen chow chows were registered in the club of rare breeds. A limit for an independent breed club was set to 20 specimen.

For a long time the responsibility of chow chows and breeding had been in the hands of people who lacked in depth knowledge of our breed.

A remarkable change to breed better quality took place in 1976. Two littermates, one of each sex, arrived from DDR to then Leningrad (St. Peterburg). A red male *Igor vom Leimberg* (owned L. A. Shestakova) and a red female *Ilka vom Leimberg* (owner Isaeva)



The littermates *Igor* and *Ilka* (*Qua-Zi-Wang E'man ex Tsu's Dolly vom Ponyhof*) bred by Herbert Heise, both produced quality puppies. The most famous of them was a cinnamon male *Zeiss* (owner Koroleva).

A combination Zeizz to Go-Chun (owner Kupriyanova) produced a very famous male Go Cej Silver Sedou (Stepan) in 1987. He was also the first blue chow born in the USSR. Stepan was the first chow owned by A. A. Burykin (kennel **Alkmena**).

Stepan was a true Chow - strong, compact, with the correct coat, good head and healthy extensions. All this together with a good exhibition temperament enabled him to win the title of

Best of Breed in Czechoslovakia and Poland. He was the first Chow, in the USSR to win at international exhibitions.

In the eighties the state then USSR issued a decree regarding public organisations. MGOLS was no longer to be the only center to organize and register obedience and companion dogs.

A new era in the development of the breed

Also there were major political changes in The Soviet Union during those years. The Iron Curtain ceased to divide Europe. It became possible to attend international dog shows in a variety of countries and to meet chow chows bred in well known kennels. Everyone could now compare to the best of their ability the quality of Russian chow chows and the ones of the leading European breeders and outside Europe too.

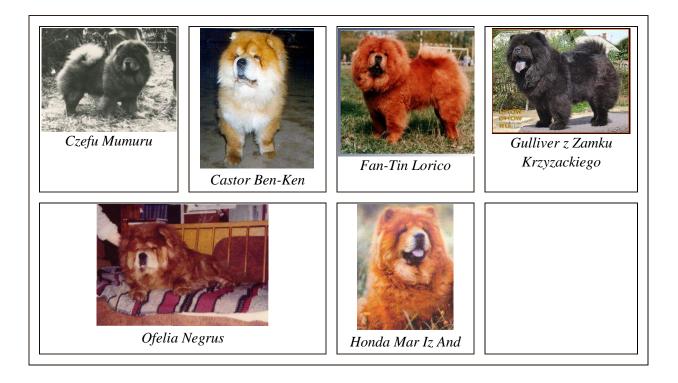
These changes led to vast growing interest in the breed. The popularity of chow chow began to increase remarkably in Russia.

In the late eighties and early nineties Russian breeders indeed imported chow chows from Poland, Czechoslovakia, Germany, USA, Canada, The Netherlands and United Kingdom. Almost all of these imports carried bloodlines to well known British, American and Canadian breedings and has had a great influence to the development of the breed in Russia since.

Below you can see a detailed list of imports, whose contribution to chow chows in Russia was remarkable.

All of the **Polish** imports produced offspring of uniform type and quality

- a red male Czefu Mumuru (Polish Ch Mitsagi Ho-Sim ex Etola z Zamku Krzyzackiego), bred by Mrs. Grazyna Madaj, owner Gordeev,
- a red male Castor Ben-Ken (Polish Ch Mitsagi Ho-Sim ex Mercedes Ben-Ken), owner Khanke,
- a red male Fan-Tin Lorico (Ch Brit z Kouzlo Povltavy ex Ch Hanami Ann Czu), owner V.Kudimova,
- a fawn male Chines z Niedzwiedziej Gawry (Akim z Niedzwiedziej Gawry ex Betty Huzaruvka), owner M.Lenkova. He was the foundation of the kennel iz Kitayskogo Doma,
- a red male Gulliver z Zamku Krzyzackiego (Polish Ch Dong-Kajong van de Ganze Tapper ex Polish Ch Dalida v. Palma Del Rio) owner Mironova.
- a red female Betty z Mikolovskiej Jamny (Polish Ch Barry Radynska Pecet CS ex Dunia z Muchowieckiej Zagrody) owner Intizarov,
- a red female Ofelia Negrus (Diksi Dikson z Muchowieckiej Za-grody ex Chata Ann-Czu) owner Tits, kennel *Titsan*,
- a red female Honda Mar Iz And (Polish Ch Mitsagi Ho-Sim ex Messalina Ben-Ken) bred by Andrzej Misiewicz, owner E.Krasheninnikova,kennel s Millionnogo Mosta. Honda was one of the best producers in this kennel.



The **Hungarian** addition was three males.:

- > red Bakoni Orzo Jimbi (Piciri Vili ex Kobuki Party Suzi), owner A.Baykov;
- black Kiralilaki Jack, owner A.Burkina;
- > red Kiralilaki Idole (Vou'ky De Berlaimont ex Kiralyki Dongo), owner R.Massar.



We were imported dogs from Czechoslovakia:

- a red male Ch. Athis Of Magnolia (Mi-Pao's Canadian Ambassader ex Mi-Pao's Canadian Legacy) owner A.Burykin, kennel Alkmena;
- a red male Ch Endy Perla Podkrkonosi (Int, Cz Ch Ur-sus Of Magnolia ex Bubi Perla Podkrkonosi), bred by Adolf Semerak, owner Marina Saltykova, kennel Lucky Star;
- a red female Bela Perla Podkrkonosi (Chung Zumako ex Kaiko Of Magnolia), owner A.G.Scherbakova, kennel Bel;
- a red female Ksantipa Dukat Severu (Mi-Pao's Canadian Ambassader ex Edith Pa-Ko), owner A.Burykin, kennel Alkmena;
- > a red female Erzika Sogun (Heng Zumako ex Panella Pa-Ko), owner Zviagina;

- > a red male, Hagar Labska Cesta (Mi-Pao's The Diplomat ex Fair Flight Labska Cesta), owner N.Demenev, kennel Airin;
- > a red female Channella Labska Cesta (Mi-Pao's The Diplomat ex Aika Strimelicka Cesta), owner Pasin-Stankevich, kennel Vladlen;
- > a red male *Forbes Sogun* (*Hanibal Pa-Ko ex HiFi of Magnolia*), owner Steglikova;
- > a red female Dulli Simako (female, red, Hanibal Pa-Ko x HiFi of Magnolia, owner Sokolova-Volkova). She was the foundation of kennel Makdena.
- > a blue male Don Albrej (Izmir Of Magnolia ex Falina Perla Chodska), owner V.Urajevskiy.

Kennel of Magnolia (owned Alain Kurova) deserves special attention. The imports to this kennel came from well known Canadian kennel Mi-Pao. Not only were these imports great producers but did also well in the show ring.

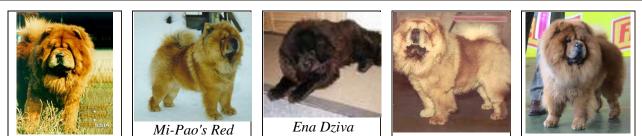
A red female Erzika Sogun (Heng Sumako x Panella Pa-Ko) was the foundation of kennel Dziva (owner Zvyakina). She when mated to a red dog Mi-Pao's Red Robin (Can, US ch. Mi-Pao's Johnnie Walker x Miki's Rosemary) produced a very famous male with many great wins ch. Urfin Dziva (owner E. Bogoslovskaya).

A mating between a black female Ena Dziva (RusCh. Go Cej Silver Sedou x Erzika Sogun) and a red male RusCh. Athis of Magnolia produced the first Russian World Winner, IntCh. Mafusail Insanta (br./owner A. Burykin, Alkmena).

Two famous followers to this successful bloodline were grandchildren of ch. Athis of Magnolia:

- Illarionov (owner N.Chikov), World Ch. & FinCh. in 1998, medalist of the 2000 World dog show in Milan of Italy, Ch. of Russia, Belarus, Estonia, Lithuania, Finland, Latvia, Ukraine, **RKF**, National Club Chow
- Drake Bonifacio (owner M.Vekovischeva), Ch. of Russia, Moldova, Ukraine, two times winner of National Club Chow

Ch. Endy Perla Podkrkonosi (Intch. Czch. Ur-Sus of Magnolia x Bubi Perla Podkrkonosi) bred by Adolf Semerak and owned by Marina Saktykova of kennel Lucky Star was RusCh. and gained many wins at major shows. This male was widely used as stud almost in the entire Russia and he produced quality offspring.



Ch Endy Perla Podkrkonosi

Robin

Athis Of Magnolia

Illarionov



Marina Saltykova (kennel *Lucky Star*) was a great breed enthusiast and also a judge for chow chow. She was in fact the first one to invite foreign breeder judges to shows in Russia.

As a result a well-known breeder judge Diana Phillips from United Kingdom was invited to judge "Moscow-95 in May". She also judged the breed at "Eurasia -96" in Moscow as well.

The next step was to invite another breeder judge Gillian Glaxton also from United Kingdom. It was the first united show on 7th December in 1996 arranged by The Russian Chow Chow Club, "Antallis" and association "Moloss-A". There were exhibited 171 dog at this show, in the junior class red male chows were 34 dogs, in the open class bitches red color was 24 females.

The first national chow chow specialty took place on 24 May in 1977. The judge was Jack Trick (Jowtrix) from United Kingdom. 157 chow chows were entered. The honourable judge commented the quality of the entry as follows: "80% of the chow chows were graded 'very good' and very few received 'excellent', but I feel that more careful breeding plans for the next five years will allow you to improve the quality."

Chow in the Russian regions

In late eighties and early nineties there were quite many chow breeders in other regions of Russia from Kaliningrad to Vladivostok, a city in the very eastern part of our country. One of the most successful areas even today is the Ural region.

A male *Tseyz* then from Leningrad (owner Koroleva) played a very important role for the breed in the Ural region in late eighties. A beautiful litter by him and *Chan-Chun-Guli* (owner N. P. Tasheva, kennel *Derby Rosinta*) produced many famous chow chows.

A male *Don Albrej* (*Izmir of Magnolia ex Falina Perla Chodska*), owner V. Urazhevsky was imported from then Czechoslovakia. His progeny consisted of many interesting black and blue chows. One of them was the famous blue male *Blues Legorta* (*Don Albrej ex Kwei Si Enz Sival*, owner N. P. Tasheva, kennel *Derby Rosinta*). He sired puppies also in other regions of the country.

Diana Boticke Udoli (Dick Malajsky Tygr ex Betty Hvezda Svihov), Gamon Majamy and Gressi Pa-Ko were also imported from Czechoslovakia in the nineties.



Chow chow imports from East Germany and also used for breeding in the North West region of Russia:

- a black male Damon v. Castell De Blohm (Black Sambo v. Tiko-Ling ex Holly z Zamku Krzyzackiego), owner Shestakova.
- a red female Sian-Fu Onsha (Sian-Fu Di-Wang ex Sian-Fu I-Lu), owner L. Shevchenko, kennel Kama Lakshmi. She was imported in 1985 and had a great influence to the development of chow chows in Leningrad.
- a red male Arthos v. Haus Wollenberg (Sian-Fu Bu-Wang ex Jana v. Hinterm Walde), owner Shestakova.,
- a red male Kliff v. Grunen Lauch (U-Kwong v. Weidatal ex Ben-Chia v. Haingarten), owner Shestakova.,
- a red female Bjanka v. Kaizers Chow-Paradise (Hei Yu-Tzu Hey Ching-Ko ex Akulina v. Kaizers Chow Paradise), owner N. Kostygova,
- a red male De-Ching Wong v. Boccasana (Sian-Fu Bu-Wang ex Bambi Comtess v. Boccasana), owner Lavetskaya.

I would like to mention two brothers by an import from Germany. The sons by *El-Kwong von der Kleinen Pfirsichblute*:

- a red male Sotschi von der Kleinen Pfirsichblute (dam En-Yu-Tha v. Salome), breeder H. Jansch, owner O. Davidyuk;
- > a fawn male Nirong v. Man-da-rin (dam Sian-Fu Kua-Li), owner N. Zenkovich.

A fawn male O'Shimas Ozzi Bear (Amitos Oliver x O'Shimas Taff Staff), owner Knyazeva, was a Swedish addition.

Sotschi von der Kleinen Pfirsichblute sired progeny not only in Moscow but in the Urals too. A red son by him Nukk Khryu S Millionnogo Mosta, owner A. Minkov, was best of breed at the first All-Russian chow specialty. The judge was Gillian Glaxton from The United Kingdom. The dam of this male was a Polish import Honda Mar Iz And. Her breeder Andrzej Misiewicz and owner E. Krasheninnikova, prefix S Millionnogo Mosta.

A breeding between two Czeckoslovakian imports *Sotschi von der Kleinen Pfirsichblute* and *Askia vom Raci Tune*, produced a beautiful litter in Sverdlovsk (Yekaterinburg). The pick of this litter *Shi Ling* was crowned as the first champion of Russia born in the Ural region. She was also the foundation bitch of Kennel *Ruby Asterhaus*, owner T. Scherbakova.



Chow chows from the UK

Males from the UK. - *Greatmoor Satan Son (Tanlap Satan* ex *Greatmoor Fudge)* bred by Mrs. G.I. Shaw and owned by Russo, was imported from Great Britain in the beginning of eighties. Descendants by him can be found both in Russia and Ukraine even today.

Soon after a red male *Smarty* (*Lechan Tokyo Joe of Sakura* ex *Antina Leontina*) arrived Russia. Owner Zaklinskaya.

In 1994 there were three males in Russia bred by Anita Westlake in her famous *Baytor* kennel.

- a black male Baytor Black Boris (Blue Drummerboy Of Baytor ex Baytor Excuse Me I'm Chinese), owner L.Ilina, kennel Jae Chau, Saint-Petergurg,
- a red male Baytor Battery Not In-cluded (Zhenshi Sa'Valvat Truffle of Baytor ex Baytor Crimson Moon), owner N.Tasheva, kennel Derbi Rosinta, Yekaterinburg,
- a red male Baytor Balakirev (Zhenshi Sa'Valvat Truffle of Baytor ex Baytor Tiger's Tail), owner U. Fedorenko, kennel Dgulideil, Irkutsk.



The most well known sons of *Rus Ch Baytor Black Boris* were Ch. of Russia, Estonia, Belarus, Finland, Ch. of breed club *Call Me Black* (owner L.N. Shevchenko, kennel *Kama Lakshmi* in St. Peterburg), Rus Ch *Dgulideil Original* (owner L. Ilina, kennel *Jae Chau* in Saint Peterburg), Ch. of Russia and Estonia *Leon* (owner N. Sokolova, kennel *Kya Van Li* in St. Peterburg).



In addition to above, several other males were brought in from the UK at the end of the 1990s:

- a blue male Baytor Blue Romeo (Blue Drummer Boy of Baytor ex Baytor Lady Leonora) owner N.Tasheva, kennel Derbi Rosinta, Yekaterinburg,
- a red male Kyong Kagney At Fullforge (Ch. Bosleigh Bee-Jay At Korina ex Kyong Kari-B-Ann) owner N.Tasheva, kennel Derbi Rosinta, Yekaterinburg,
- a red male Travennen Jazz Man (Zhenshi Sa'Valvat Truffle of Baytor ex Baytor Moon Over China of Trevennen) owner I.Arsenteva, kennel Tsvetok El'fov Moscow;
- a red female Ch., Int Ch. Trevennen Russett of Baytor (Zhenshi Sa'Valvat Truffle of Baytor ex Baytor Flower in the Rain of Trevennen), bred by S.A. Stephens, owner L. Yusypova, kennel Zolotaya Orkhideya, Yekaterinburg,
- a red male Vice-European Champion 1999 Rus Ch Towmena Cutty Sark (Byhorn Jute ex Towmena Stella Artois), bred by R.P. Oldham, owner L. Yusypova, kennel Zolotaya Orkhideya, Yekaterinburg,
- a red male European Champion 2001, Rus Ch Dawnanda Distinguished Don (Carmalde Can Can Charlie with Dawnanda x Dawnanda Onuska), bred by D. & M. Butterworth, owned L. Yusypova, kennel Zolotaya Orkhideya, Yekaterinburg,
- a red male Russia, Belarus, Georgia Ch. Byhorn Red Kale (Byhorn Jute ex Byhorn Summer-Thyme), bred by P. Hornby, owner A.Burykin kennel Alkmena.





Chow chows from the Netherlands

There were several imports from the Netherlands. They made a very visible and significant contribution to the development of the breed in Russia. These males sired quality puppies for kennel *Medis Dream* (owner M. Dronova) in Moscow region and kennel *Hurakan Maribet* (previously *Lucky Star*, owner M. Saltykova).

The two Dutch imports: a red male Eur Winner, Ch. of Russia and Ukraine *Ambassador v.h. Venne-Dorp (Dusty Dancer of the China's Joy ex Lizelotte v.h. Venne-Dorp)* owner by M. Dronova.

A red male *Dream Chaser of the Royal Club* (*Cross B's Mr Wun-Der-Ful ex Good luck Charm of the Royal Club*) bred by K. & B. Buurman and owned by M. Saltykova. He sired 12 champions.

Ambassador v.h. Venne-Dorp sired offspring square in outline, strong bone, typical angulation and movement. Heads were beautiful and clean cut.

Noteworthy descendants of Ch. Ambassador v.h. Venne-Dorp:

- ➢ Rus Ch Barney,
- ➢ Rus Ch Medis Dream Caliph,
- ➢ Rus Ch Medis Dream Eksellent,
- ➢ Rus Ch Medis Dream Ambassador Junior,
- Rus Ch Medis Dream Utah.

Rus Ch Master of Illusion of the Royal Club (Cross B's mr Wun-Der-Ful ex Cover Story of the Royal Club) owned by Zhavrit was yet another Dutch import to the Far East part of Russia



Chow chows from Sweden

A red male Rus Ch O'Shimas Ozzy Bear (Amito's Oliver ex O'Shimas Taff Staff) was bred by Vivi-Ann Wallgren and owned by S. Knyazeva, kennel Almond Flower arrived to Russia in early 1990s.

A cream male Rus Ch *Chowhill's Who Wants To Know (Jo-Fu-S Cream Mario ex Chowhill's Step Into The Light)* was bred by Monika Karlsson and owned by J. Kitavtseva. He entered Russia in late 1990s. This male sired a well known cream female Rus Ch *Kapriz Zheni Ju-Lya-Lya* owned by E. Kaptsov, kennel *Kapriz Zheni*.



Chow Chows from France

- a blue male Lanji Du Ban Caou (Vanqiang De Syr Daria ex Ho-Chi-Minh of Blue Baron), owner L. Yusypova, kennel Zolotaya Orkhideya, Yekaterinburg,
- a red male Napoleon De Berlaimont (Oes-Ming Chy-Nees ex Ellmau Kwei-Jang), owner Lenkova, kennel Iz Kitayskogo Doma, Moscow
- a red male Rus Ch, Interchampion Little-Buddha Du Lee-Dou Des Thitounes (Harley de la Palestriere x Happy Day of Blue Baron), breeder Eliane Bernard, owner L. Yusypova, kennel Zolotaya Orkhideya, Yekaterinburg.



Chow Chows from USA

Dogs of the famous American and Canadian Chow kennels were beginning to appear in Russia in the middle nineties.

Irok's Bandit (Les-Mar's Token To Irock x Ch Nawrocki's Misty Ling), owner V.Kudinova kennel Is Russkoy Skazki, Moscow was brought from the United States

Irok's Bandit became the Champion of Russia. He was an excellent producer. Many famous Russian champions were sired by him. Such as:

- Junior World Champion Monty Makdena (kennel Makdena, owners Sokolov and Volkov, Moscow)
- > Rus Ch *Charm Mon Cher* (kennel *Avgit*, owner O.Ivanova, Moscow)
- Rus Ch Ayra (kennel Russkaya Zabava, owner T.Kuznetsova, Moscow).



A fawn male from USA *Big Mack Attack (Lan-Chu's Mad Max of Medley ex Biddle's Sweet Pickles*, owner I.Arhipov, Moscow) was a great asset for kennel *Avgit* (owner O.Ivanova, Moscow). Among his descendants are found well known males: Russia, Ukraine, Lithuania, Estonia, Moldova and Belarus Champion *Chatkall Blue Is My Love*, a cinnamon male Russia, Ukraine, Belarus, Lithuania and Latvia Champion *Avgit Dunfan Sho*, Rus Ch and the National Snow Country Club *Lord Sherman* (owner G.Yakimenko).



Moscow kennel *Vladlen* (owners V.Pasin and E.Stankevich) acquired a bloodline from the US it was the Ch. The USA, then Russia and Finnish Ch *War-Rah's Masterpiece* and his daughter *Masterpiece Liquid Assets* and grandson *Masterpiece All American*.

Ch. War-Rah's Masterpiece - sired beautiful descendants in USA and Russia. Among his descendants are well known in the Russian a red female Russia USA, Ukraine, Estonia, Lithuania and Moldova Champion, *Nyusha Vladlen*, a red male America Ch *Vladlen Fyodor*, a red male Russia, Ukraine and Moldova Champion *Vladlen Yankees*.



A red male *Ricksha Desperado* (*Artpho's Bulletin Bo-ret x Riksha's Razzle Dazzle*) and a black male *Pondview's Black Russian* (*Triger Cagney x Gilmar's National Secret*) owned by Tyagunova, kennel *Prekrasniy Tees* were brought from the United States in 1995. - These males played a significant role in the development of the breed in the south of Russia (Rostov-on-Don).



Chow Chows from Canada

Chows imported from Minnie and Paul Odenkirchen's *Mi-Pao* kennel in Canada have had great influence on the development of our breed in Russia. Well known kennels like *Alkmena* (A.

Burykin) and *Bis Lac* (E. Gavryushina and N. Feofanova) based their breeding lines on *Mi-Pao* imports.

The first Canadian import was a fawn male *Oban's Stir-ling (Oban's Bonnie Prince Charly x Oban's Lady Di)* bred by O. Newton and owned by E. Gavryushina. This male proved his value to kennel **Bis Lac**. He sired easily recognizable quality offspring mostly in red and fawn colours. The most well known were Rus Ch. *Bis Lac Rover* owned by A. Elyutina and Rus Ch. *Bis Lac Bandera* owned by E. Gavryushina.



E. Gavryushina also imported two chows from kennel *Mi-Pao*. A cream male Ch. *Mi-Pao's Devon Cream (Can.Ch. Mi-Pao's Black Phantom ex Mi-Tu's cream Puff)* and a red female Ch. *Mi-Pao's Red Serenity (Can. US Ch. Mi-Pao's Johnnie Walker ex Miki's Rosemary)*. These two together with *Oban's Stirling* became the basis for her kennel *Bis Lac*.

Ch. Mi-Pao's Devon Cream and *Ch. Mi-Pao's Red Serenity* produced a star litter with the three first champions for kennel **Bis Lac**:

- a red female Rus Ch, Ch. National club of breed Bis Lac Dessa (owner A.Elyutina), she was a mother of JWW-1998 Bis Lac Absolute;
- a red female Rus Ch, Belarus, Ukraine, Lithuania, Ch National club *Bis Lac Jennifer* (owner I.Abramova);
- > a red female Rus Ch *Bis Lac Daria* (owner N.Feofanova);
- > a red male Rus Ch *Bis Lac Diplomat* (owner T. Usova).

Ch. *Mi-Pao's Devon Cream* produced quality offspring with females of different type and quality. Such as the three remarkable males:

- a red male Russia, Belarus and Ukraine Ch., winner of special chow chow show in *Bis* Lac Monarh (owners E.Gavryushina and I.Abramova),
- > a cream male Russia and Belarus Ch. *Bis Lac Edgar* (owner L. Zavyalova),
- > a cream male Rus Ch Bis Lac Yago (owner N.Karbovich).



In 1999 two new imports from Canada arrived to kennel **Bis Lac**. A cream male *Mi-Pao's Cream Applause* and a red *female Mi-Pao's Canadian Missy*.

Ch. of Russia and Belarus Mi-Pao's Cream Applause gave 7 champions. Among them:

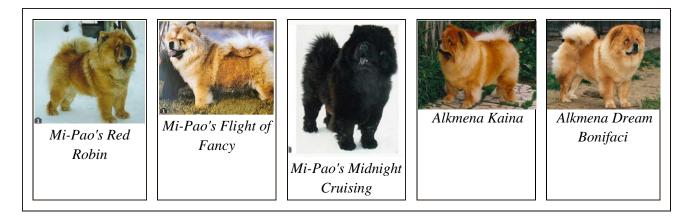
- a cream female Ch. of Russia, Estonia, Ukraine, Lithuania, Belarus of *Bis Lac Izyumi* (owner A.Elyutina);
- > a cream female Ukraine and Moldova Ch. *Bis Lac Love Is* (owner O. Piskareva);
- > a red male Rus Ch *Bis Lac Nugget Gold* (owner E. Antonova);
- > a red male Belarus Ch. *Bis Lac Magic Show* (owner A.Marchenko).



Kennel Alkmena owned the following Mi-Pao chow chows:

- a red male Mi-Pao's Red Robin (Ch. of Canada, America Mi-Pao's Johnie Walker ex Miki's Rosemary),
- a red female Mi-Pao's Flight of Fancy (Mi-Pao's Tobias x Mi-Pao's Pitchers Raigens Cream);
- > a black male *Mi-Pao's Midnight Cruising (Mi-Pao's Black Phantom x Mi-Pao's Deidra)*.

This trio produced many beautiful Russian champions. *Mi-Pao's Midnight Cruising* sired the red female *Alkmena Kaina* with an impressive list of titles: Junior World Winner, European Winner, Russian Ch., Belarus Ch., Danish Ch., International Ch., her mother the red female *Alkmena Dream Bonifaci*.



If we analyse pedigrees of Russian chow chows, it is easy to see that there are imports from many European countries, United States and Canada in 1980ies and 1990ies. The famous and well known United Kingdom kennels were represented in these imports by lines from *Ukwong*, *Mong-Fu*, *Weircroft*, *Tanlap*, *Mitsagi*, *Hanoi*, *Baytor*.

Chow Chow in Russia at the beginning of 21st century

The smooth variety was quite unknown and rare in Russia in 20th century. Not one kennel had shown interest for smooth coats in their breeding programs. The first kennel to focus on the smooth variety too began its work in 1999. Today we all know Marina Akulova and her kennel "Love Story" in Moscow. The Russian Kennel Club, RKF, registered the prefix as *Lav Stori*.

This kennel was the first to import smooth chows from Europe and United States. A red male *Si Huang-Ti Velvet Prince (Marko v.h. Venne-Dorp ex Si-Huang Ti Velvet Kate)* arrived in Moscow from Hungary. A red male *Lo-Re Pepperland Troubadour (Lo-Re Pepperland Valentino ex Lo-Re Pepperland Martina)* was imported from the famous American lines and breeder in 2005.

These two males sired many puppies with females of different lines and it has been easy to see their strong influence overall quality and in particular heads. The story continues by their offspring being actively used in many kennels and not only in Russia.



A cream male *Mi-Pao's Canadian Surprise* (*Mi-Pao's Cream Nugget ex Mi-Pao's cream Crystal*) was yet another Canadian import. This time to N. Mihaylova of kennel **Ot Russkogo Couturier** in the city Velikiy Novgorod in 2010.

This cream male has been widely used and both his looks and style are easily recognizable. He has offspring in many Russian kennels and in fact all over our globe.

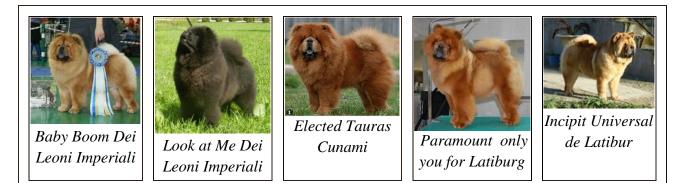
I wouls like to mention one of the females *Vatrushka Ot Russgogo Couturier (Mi-Pao's Canadian Surprise ex Love Stori Imegien Smooth Perfect)* owned by Wendy Absalom in United Kingdom. She has done quite well at shows and received a lifetime qualification to Crufts.



A red male *Baby Boon Dei Leoni Imperiali (Quiet Please Dei Leoni Imperiali ex Stagebos Queen of Spades)* owned by E. Pokinchereda of kennel *Ch-Dalen* was imported from Italy in 2009.

Anna Burkina of kennel *Latibur* in Moscow has imported the following chow chows:

- a red male *Elected Tauras Cunami (Rich Raujan Cunami ex Velvet Malibu of Cunami Lietuvos Liutas)* from kennel *Cunami* in Lithuania in 2006;
- a red male Paramount Only You for Latibur (Paramount Hi-Tone ex In The Arms of An Angel) from USA in 2011;
- a red male Incipit Universal de Latibur (Paramount American Outlaw ex Incipit Just Starry) from the Norwegian kennel in 2013.



Chow breeders in Ural region imported many chow chows from the American kennel *Mei-Ling*:

G. Yakimenko's **Zhemchuzhina Dinastii** kennel acquired Mei-Ling's The Great Merlin, Mei-Ling's Man of Fashion, Mei-Ling's Give a Kiss..

T. Schherbakova's *Rubin Asterhaus* kennel imported a cream male *Beso Me Mucho Chow Troyka* from Germany. In its pedigree appear only *Mei-Ling* breedings



I would like to mention one more occasion from the beginning of 21st century. M. Vekovisheva (*Bon Triumph*) borrowed for breeding purposes *Towsushet's Mr. President (Rio's Celebrates Good Tymes With Towsushets ex Shiyue A Star Is Born With Towsushet*) from United Kingdom. He sired quality and his descendants are successfully used in breeding now.



A black male A&I of The Island Spanish Gypsy (Mei-LIng's Buzz Liteyear ex A&I of The Island Dream Come True) was imported from Spain by Zh. Smirnova, kennel **Zhasmir Collection**.

A red male *Akakuro Garnet Flame* (*Akakuro Aidan ex Alycia of The China's Joy for Akakuro*) was imported from United Kingdom by M. Rakuta, kennel **Ot Sibirskogo Medvedya**.

Kennel *Simauta Dess*, A. Elyutina, imported a female *Lechan Melisandre* (*Simauta Dess Rizhii Shum for Hiswin ex Lechan Christmas Eve*).

In 2003, 2007 new imports from Denmark:

- a black male, Orinell's Embrace Me (Pei Fang Norwegian Cream x Orinell's Amy The Black Princes), bred Mette & Poul Erik MAJ, owner T.Petrova;
- a red male, Piuk Chow Royal Danish Prince Russ (Pei Fang Norwegian Cream x Piuk Chow Precious Miss Independent, bred Michael Lunau, owner M.Dronova;
- a black female, *Piuk Chow Rose Princess of Denmark (Pei Fang Norwegian Cream x Piuk Chow Precious Miss Independent)* bred Michael Lunau, owner A.Elyutina.

 a black female, Rus CH, FinCH, Finnish Junior Winner'07, 2xFinnish Club's Winner'08-09, Orinell's Dream Delight (Pei Fang Midnight Massarati Man ex Orinell's Amy The Black Princes), bred Mette & Poul Erik MAJ, owner A.Elyutina.

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There are most certainly other imports to Russia in early 21st century that I may not know of. At present Russian chow chow breeders export frequently, while imports are decreasing. The quality of our chows has been recognized world wide.

I believe the chow chow imports over time to Russia have not all been of top quality. However, used in clever breeding they due to excellent pedigrees have helped to improve the quality of Russian bred chow chows.

Of course breeding does not result in a success story by litter. Carefully planned combinations do not always turn out as expected. However, we can be proud of the knowledge and quality the Russian breeders have gained. We wish them continued success! The story continues!

I would like to finish this article with the words from "History of the Chow in Russia": "We have to understand - we [Russian] do not create this wonderful breed, we only got it ready-made, in all its glory. And our task - not to hurt, but to try to do everything possible to improve it."

Chow Chow Russian breeding - the winners of the world's largest exhibitions

Title	Dog's name	Pedigree	Photo
World Winner - 1996	Red male MAFUSAIL INSANTA	ATHIS OF MAGNOLIA ex ENA DZHIVA, breeder N.Nikitenko, owner A.Burykin http://ingrus.net/chow- chow/details.php?id=108	
World Winner -1997, European Winner -1997, 1999	Red female ALKMENA KAINA	MI PAO'S MIDNIGHT CRUISING ex ALKMENA DREAM BONIFACIA, breeder and owner. A.Burykin <u>http://chow.chow.ru/alkmena</u> <u>kaina.shtml</u>	
World Winner - 1998	Red male ILLARION	MAFUSAIL INSANTA ex YASEN', breeder I.Burtseva owner N.Chikov http://ingrus.net/chow- chow/details.php?id=4591	
Junior World Winner -1998	Red male BIS LAC ABSOLUTE	DESSERT STORM OF THE ROYAL CLUB ex BIS LAC DESSA, breeder N. Feofanova, owners E.Gavrushina and Fesenko http://ingrus.net/chow- chow/details.php?id=45	

Title	Dog's name	Pedigree	Photo
European Winner -2000	Cream male ALKMENA ORFI	MI-PAO'S CREAM FROSTING ex MI-PAO'S FLIGHT OF FANCY, breeder and owner: A.Burykin <u>http://ingrus.net/chow- chow/details.php?id=50</u>	CHOW CHOW RUSSIA
World Winner - 2003	Black female RAVJU SIMONA	ZOLOTAYA ORKHIDEYA GRAND CARDINAL ex RAVJU BELADONNA, breeder and owner: V.Rakuta <u>http://chow.chow.ru/ravju- simona.shtml</u>	
Junior World Winner -2003	Red male BON TRIUMPH ALEX	MAI-ANNS SHORT CIRCUIT ex ANITA EXCLUSIVE, breeder and owner: M.Vekovischeva <u>http://ingrus.net/chow- chow/details.php?id=1274</u>	
European Winner -2003	Black female YUNONA	PONDVIEW*S BLACK RUSSION ex YURMA, breeder: L.Cherepanova owner: E. Suschenko <u>http://ingrus.net/chow- chow/details.php?id=948</u>	CHOW Heata
World Winner - 2006	Black male BON TRIUMPH DARIY BLACK KING	DARK SIDE OF THE MOON DEI LEONI IMPERIALI ex ANITA EXCLUSIVE breeder and owner: M.Vekovischeva http://ingrus.net/chow- chow/details.php?id=109	

Title	Dog's name	Pedigree	Photo
Junior World Winner - 2006, BOB Craft - 2006	Black female BON TRIUMPH OTRADA	BON TRIUMPH DARIY BLACK KING ex BON TRIUMPH BIZHU breeder and owner: M.Vekovischeva <u>http://www.bontriumph.ru/bit</u> <u>ch/OtradaR.htm</u>	
World Winner - 2008, 2009	Black female BAGIRA S ZOLOTOGO PRIISKA	LO-RE' PEPPERLAND PIANO MAN ex IRISKA OT ALISKI breeder: V. Kornilov owner: E. Petrova <u>http://ingrus.net/chow- chow/details.php?id=11222</u>	
World Winner - 2009, 2011	Red male BON TRIUMPH SHANS	FEARLESS HEART IMAGE CREAM KING ex BON TRIUMPH ZEFIRKA breeder and owner: M.Vekovischeva <u>http://chow.chow.ru/bon_triu</u> <u>mph_shans.shtml</u>	
Junior World Winner -2010	Black male GRAND BOUBOU BARRYMORE	CROSS B'S IT'S A CHANCE YA TAKE ex BAGIRA S ZOLOTOGO PRIISKA breeder and owner: E.Petrova http://ingrus.net/chow- chow/details.php?id=14615	
Junior European Winner -2010	Black male HONILAND EXCLUSIVE BLACK SMOOTH	PARAMOUNT STYLISH SMOOTH ex HONILAND GRAND PRIX breeder and owner: E. Shorina <u>http://chow.chow.ru/honiland</u> <u>exclusive_black_smooth.sht</u> <u>ml</u>	CHON RUEED.

Title	Dog's name	Pedigree	Photo
Junior European Winner - 2010	Red male HONILAND TRAVEL TO GLORY	CASSANOVA THE DISCOVERY ex HONILAND GRAND PRIX breeder: E. Shorina owner: I.Svetlichnaya http://irinschow.ru/p17.htm	
European Winner - 2010	Red female FAY SIN YESHEE MAIHOA	FAY SIN NYAO SHON LING ex ATTIKA MEY breeder and owner: N.Revenko <u>http://ingrus.net/chow-</u> <u>chow/details.php?id=17440</u>	
Junior World Winner - 2011	Black male BON TRIUMPH LORD BLACK	ORINELL'S EMBRACE ME ex GIVANCHY FOR BON TRIUMPH STYLE OF MARY breeder and owner: M.Vekovischeva <u>http://ingrus.net/chow- chow/details.php?id=18252</u>	
World Winner - 2012, 2013	Black male BON TRIUMPH JACK	KAMA LAKSHMI KAZANOVA ex CLEOPATRA DE LOS PERROS DE BIGO breeder and owner: M.Vekovischeva <u>http://ingrus.net/chow- chow/details.php?id=11384</u>	

Title	Dog's name	Pedigree	Photo
Veteran World Winner - 2012	Red male BABOO BANDI	TSVETOK EL'FOV JELEZNYI FELIX ex PAULA breeder: A.Proskurina owner: Yu.Vinogradova <u>http://banvinfun.ru/baboo_ban</u> <u>dy</u>	
European Winner - 2012, World Winner - 2013, Veteran World Winner - 2016	Cream female CHUDO SVETA DRAGON FLAY	PRINTS DATSKII IZ SVYATOGO GRAALYA ex MIZANFA ZHOLI HAPPY ELZI LUNNY SVET breeder and owner: L.Dubisskaya <u>http://ingrus.net/chow- chow/details.php?id=28769</u>	
Cruft - 2013, ЛК	Cream male BON TRIUMPH ROLEX	ORINELL'S EMBRACE ME ex FEARLESS HEART CREAM BRULE breeder and owner: M.Vekovischeva <u>http://ingrus.net/chow- chow/details.php?id=18231</u>	
World Winner - 2014	Cream female FEARLESS HEART CREAM BRULE	BON TRIUMPH SUGAR WHITE ex FEARLESS HEART INFANTA CREAM DREAM Breeder: I.Zinovieva owner: M.Vekovischeva <u>http://ingrus.net/chow- chow/details.php?id=3458</u>	
Cruft's 2014, BOB	Cream female BON TRIUMPH TIFFANY	BON TRIUMPH JACK ex BON TRIUMPH ZEFIRKA breeder and owner: M.Vekovischeva <u>http://ingrus.net/chow-</u> <u>chow/details.php?id=18235</u>	

Title	Dog's name	Pedigree	Photo
Cruft's 2014, ЛК	Black male SIMAUTA DESS LOGRIS	ZORRO LIETUVOS LIUTAS ex PIUK CHOW ROSE PRINCESS OF DENMARK breeder and owner: A.Elyutina <u>http://ingrus.net/chow- chow/details.php?id=15529</u>	
World Winner - 2015	Black female REX DEUS GERMIONA	AGAT REX DEUS ex ALKMENA EKO ONO breeder and owner: Yu. Akhmedchina <u>http://ingrus.net/chow-</u> <u>chow/details.php?id=30334</u>	
Junior World Winner - 2016	Red, male REKS DEUS EMIREYTS	AGAT REX DEUS ex ALKMENA EKO ONO breeder and owner: Yu. Akhmedchina <u>http://ingrus.net/chow- chow/details.php?id=27801</u>	SHOW 2010
World Winner - 2016	Red female DGULIDEIL BRAVO- BRAVISSIMO	Сука, рыжая, CH-DALEN DARKI GOLDEN MAN x DGULIDEIL YADRJENA MATRJENA зав./вл J. Khutoryanskaya, http://www.djulideil.com/bitc hes/bravo_bravissimo_e.shtml	

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