

Info shared by Pitbull SA.

Manjaro APBT kennel.

South Africa.

My Website www.pitbullsa.co.za

My E mail "manjaro@pitbullsa.co.za"

My Facebook "Gawie Manjaro"

My Facebook page "Manjaro Kennel"

My mobile +27827838280.

Zello.com "VoIP" – ask for info.

Why some love APBT game dogs?

By Tom Garner.

Ever wonder why so many of us (or so few) are drawn to and build our lives around the APBT - Pit Bull?

There are a number of reasons why people gravitate to these awesome gladiator animals.

My list would certainly include:

- A) An appreciation of their physical/ athletic excellence.
 - B) Their unrivalled capacity for unconditional love of humans – unreal, experience it.
 - C) The APBT's unparalleled gameness, i.e., "the willingness to never give up trying up to self-sacrifice in order to achieve an objective."
- Then to realize most of these APBT loving people are not interested in this breed of dog's gameness and other traditional qualities or awesome abilities – those that what set the APBT apart from other breeds.

The gameness trait (not only to be found in APBT dogs ... also in some other breeds ... but this sought after trait is what differentiates the game dog from other dogs), this is what attracts fans to a degree that far exceeds what we would expect to see from a simple intellectual appreciation of a good principle at work.

A "real" game dog is revered on a level that can best be called "spiritual". {*Yep - to this most of us will relate MK.*}

Why does gameness hold such a fascination for some of us humans?

The attraction is so powerful and so widespread; it defies logic and sense of proportion to suppose that there is not some powerful, innate, instinctive human-nature mechanism at work here.

I think we must look deep within our minds (*souls*) to find the root of our appreciation of this behaviour.

Historically, the construct defined by "gameness" has played a huge role in the survival of the human species.

Take away our "willingness to self-sacrifice in order to achieve an objective" then mothers would not lose sleep to nurse their babies and fathers would not risk physical injury to defend their families from aggressors.

Parents would not rouse themselves from inadequate sleep to go to work in an unpleasant job day after day without a powerful "feel good if you do, feel bad if you don't mechanism" in place, directing our behaviour.

With just a moment's reflection it is easy to see that "gameness" happens all over, is played out on small and grand scales in our daily lives and also true that gameness is essential to the survival of animal species of all kinds.

Even a mouse or a bird will risk life and limb to fend off an attacker that threatens their little ones – to be the alpha in their own right.

In early man, the basic instinct to protect and care and to provide for our children and our mates {*family*} evolved and expanded as our minds developed the capacity to generalize through conceptualization.

We were able to expand our sense of family to include others with whom we shared some significant characteristics.

In some capacities, our tribes came to be afforded the same considerations as family, under certain circumstances.

There was much tactical advantage to be gained from this tendency.

Then looking at 10 soldiers working collectively, in unison and with as much or more concern for each other as for themselves, could easily defeat 20 men acting as individuals.

Thus those of our ancestors who were inclined to self-sacrifice for the objective of promoting the greater good were, ironically, more likely to survive and the genetic basis for their "gameness" instinct was passed along to their offspring.

In this manner, the genetic basis for the gameness construct in humans has become stronger and stronger.

Some might ask, given the above view, why then?

... *{Because}* - So many people in our world today just can't relate to the value of gameness or don't care about it.

My guess is that while the 10 soldiers from the same tribe prevailed in battle, there was probably one or two who ran and hid when the battle kicked off.

As their tribe survived, so too did they.

And they reproduced.

And their genes are alive today in numbers and they fear those of us who embrace and live the gameness construct. *(Just as with the APBT we can't all be equal in this).*

You know that good feeling you get- that warm and fuzzy feeling in which the hairs on your arms and neck stand up and tears come into your eyes when you see an act of extreme self-sacrifice for a great cause?

It could be at a good movie, a song or a man fight, a soccer game or anywhere heroic self-sacrifice for the greater cause is on display.

That feeling is your brain releasing endorphins and other feel-good chemicals in appreciation of the scenario you have witnessed or contemplated.

This genetically-based, bio-chemically expressed, overwhelmingly good feeling is at the heart of successful social functioning.

Without this genetically encoded response directive and subsequent, biochemical, feel-good reinforcement, good Samaritans wouldn't pull people out of burning houses or drowning children out of submersed cars or fight till death to protect and save a loved one *{and what you is yours}*.

This same instinctive connection is why we *{yep, you will know this or you won't}* feel good when we are with our game dogs.

We see our game APBT's as perfect, living and breathing manifestations of our sacred principle.

Nowhere in our daily lives do we see such an iconic, pure embodiment of the gameness construct as in our APBT's.

They have this status by definition; the standard for the breed demands gameness and any dog that falls short of the requirement of gameness likewise falls short of the name APBT and or our admiration - "pit bull". *{For some this means everything ... for "some"}*

To further illustrate the power of the gameness construct within the human mind, consider how this model plays out in religion *{the seedbed of this awareness}*, particularly Christianity.

Jesus Christ sacrificed his life for the objective of giving the possibility of eternal life to humanity.

Jesus Christ was dead game. How many millions of people have undergone life-transforming changes after contemplating his willingness to sacrifice himself in order to achieve an objective?

Don't ever underestimate the power of the gameness construct to attract and engage the emotions of good people - *of real APBT fanciers* - Sociopaths – fanatics?, Not so much!

The animal rights extremists and their media pawns have intentionally attempted to bastardize and distort the true meaning of the concept of gameness.

They twist the meaning to suggest that it means aggression, or desire to attack {to kill}.

Just like me I am SURE even you are embarrassed for them at their ignorance and their unabashed desire to distort the truth.

It is ironic that those among our fraternity who have the greatest instinctive appreciation of the "willingness to self-sacrifice in order to achieve an objective" construct would simultaneously be the better members of society and the bigger fans of a game dog.

Never-the-less, our detractors would quickly denounce fans of gameness in the APBT – "pit bull" as antisocial and disturbed. (*Yep - that's the way the cookie crumbles*).

A little ignorance goes a long way.

A little ignorance coupled with a team of media professionals and a large budget can and do result in the slaughter of large numbers of the noblest animals to ever inhabit our planet.

Ask Victor Aycart, Floyd Boudreaux, Pat Patrick, Zinetti and Ed Faron and may more 'real dog men" around the world and also some in your country.

As *{passionate}* fans of the incredible, game APBT – "pit bull", we must bring to bear the same resolve for them that we expect from them.

Like them, the best of us have a script that is indelibly written in the very core of who we are.

It is prime and indivisible and immutable.

It screams "I will never give up, no matter what the costs"

Get in touch with your core and your script.

Know that your love for your game dog comes from a very good place deep inside.

Without this place, humanity might well not exist.

The next time you are walking your game APBT – “pit bull” and someone asks “What kind of dog is that?”

Respond with pride, “That’s an APBT – “pit Bull, the best dog known to man.” *{You don’t ever have to make any excuses – be proud to have this dog in your life}.*