Head

Eyes: dark

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Head

Eyes… almond shaped

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Head

Eyes… obliquely set and farseeing

EYES: Oblique, almond shaped, squinty. Round eyes are a problem in the breed and are not preferred.

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Muzzle: shorter than skull

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…with rounded cushions

"Cushions" are the fatty whisker pads on the muzzle. The muzzle should be softly rounded, not sharp and pointed.

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Ears: small, erect, slightly hooded

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Ears…
Should be small and high set. They do not need to be at attention at all times. Just be sure to see them alerted at least once to determine ear set and wrinkle.

Skull: flat, well chiseled

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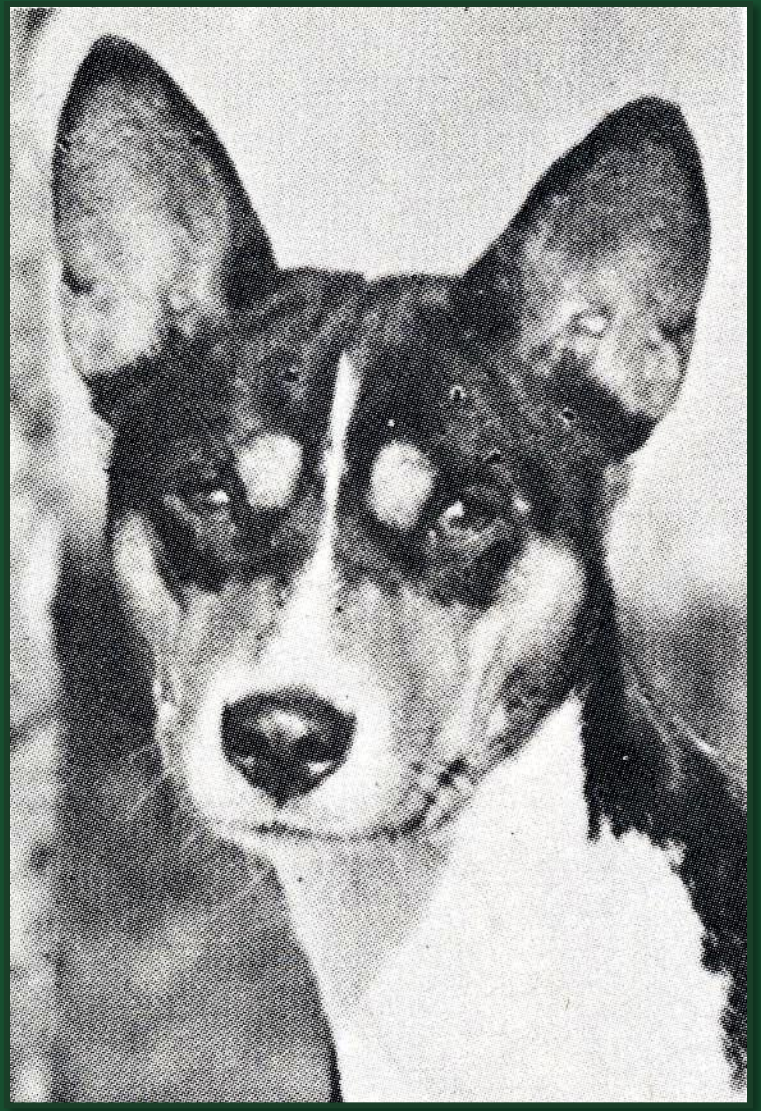
Head

… of medium width



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Head

… tapers towards the eyes, foreface tapers to muzzle

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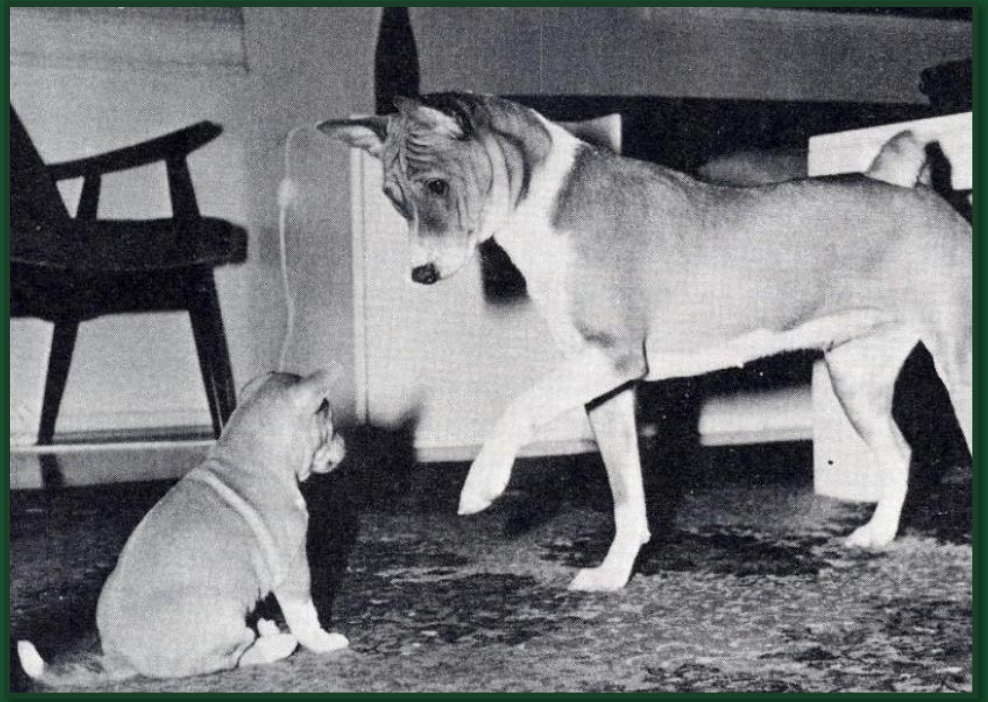

Wrinkles: fine and profuse

Wrinkles on the head are an indication of the proper fine, loose skin on the body which serves a vital functional purpose in their native environment as it enables the dogs to crash through dense, thorny jungle without gouging and tearing their hides. Loose, pliable skin is also a considerable advantage during battle with friend or foe.

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Wrinkles: fine and profuse

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Nose

Black greatly desired

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Nose

However…

Noses. Our standard used to say that a pinkish tinge was not to be penalized in an otherwise first class specimen. We changed our standard to delete that section and now most noses in the ring are black. Please be sure to examine eye rims and lips to determine correct pigment.

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