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To the Editors, Owners and Writers at "Tailsinc":

My name is Jeff Shaver, and I am President of the American Rottweiler Club. I have had it brought to my attention that you have used a picture of a couple of very sweet looking Rottweilers in conjunction with a story about the bust of a "dog fighting" ring.

As you might expect this has been shared with a few thousand Rottweiler owners, none of whom are very pleased. The club I am President of, alone, has over 1100 members.

We have to fight everyday to defeat stereotypes created by the ignorant and uninformed about our breed, why we love them and their very real value to society. It certainly is disturbing, whether done "innocently" or not, to see our dogs shown in such an undeserved and negative light.

In fact, no pictures of any of the "victims", the dogs, need be displayed at all. The dogs abused and used for gain by the animals (humans?) who forced them to fight should receive no negative portrayal. How about showing the perpetrators being led away in handcuffs instead?

I am asking that you please print some type of retraction, so that I can tell our members that your group is one that should be considered as a reliable source of information.

Respectfully,

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