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WHY IS HIS GROCERY BAG ALWAYS BIGGER THAN OURS???

TREASURER'S REPORT - July 1, 1978 through August 31, 1978

Patricia A. Long, Treasurer

<u>INCOME</u>		<u>EXPENSES</u>	
Dues	\$40.00	D/C, Aug. postage	\$151.13
D/C Subscriptions	25.00	Other printing	9.15
D/C ads	7.50	Misc.	
D/C back issues	2.00	Election	85.80
Misc.		UPS - award plaques	11.00
Briard Novelty Shoppe		Drawings/visualized stand.	400.00
(profit 8/77 - 7/1/78	125.00	Nominations committee exp.	100.03
Refund, air line ticket	538.00	Awards & engraving	125.95
Address labels	3.00	Refund, D/C subscription	5.00
Additional award plaque	5.00	Board letter, reductions	
Exchange	7.33	and copies	6.97
'78 Calendar	2.50	Calendar postage	.53
Brochures	1.25	Brochure postage	.87
Interest	62.92	Secretary's postage	15.00
50th Anniversary		Secretary's supplies	41.37
Donations	230.00	Bank charges (checks)	6.00
Refund, air line ticket	538.00	Bank charges (exchange)	15.39
Catalog sales	176.00	50th Anniversary	
Raffle		Spec. Chairman's Expenses	181.81
Hospitality supplies sold	11.60	Rass. Chairman's Expenses	22.00
Trophy donations	110.00	Judges' Reception	397.94
Entries (specialty)	1,669.75	Liguine expenses	921.80
Rassemblement entries	283.00	Judges fees	289.08
Awards banquet	1,637.00	Interpreter	50.00
PRA Clinic	343.00	Stewards	20.00
PRA Clinic donation	100.00	Specialty flowers	19.25
Catalog ads	245.00	Door Prizes	14.50
	<u>\$6,336.85</u>	Ribbons & judges books	210.26
Opening balance	\$6,031.95	Trophys & engraving	216.47
Income	6,336.85	Spec./Rass. Printing	847.50
	<u>\$12,368.80</u>	Sweepstakes prize money	164.50
Expenses	6,918.71	Overpayment (Spec. entries)	18.50
Balance	<u>\$5,450.09</u>	Show Secretary's Expenses	266.10
		Awards banquet	1,641.45
		Awards banquet refunds	40.00
		Awards banquet/Chairman's	
		expenses	43.58
		PRA Clinic	575.78
		PRA Clinic refund	4.00
			<u>\$6,918.71</u>

NOTICE: The Treasurer has asked that Canadian Briarders please send ONLY U.S. FUNDS. When Canadian funds are sent, the Club must pay exchange on the amount and on the amount sent for exchange. This is costing the Club money.

Canadian checks can be marked "U.S. Funds" and the exchange is automatically paid - or a money order in U.S. Funds can be sent.

THANK YOU!

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BOARD ACTION

A motion to buy a used Saxon copier for \$300 (price includes \$100 worth of paper and supplies) was approved.

UNDER DISCUSSION BY THE BOARD

- Survey of B.C.A. Membership
- Revision of rules for application for membership

PENDING BOARD ACTION

- A.K.C. Delegate
- A.D.O.A. Delegate
- Education Committee Chairman
- Junior Showmanship Chairman
- '79 Specialty judge
- '79 Sweepstakes judge
- '79 Nominating Committee

NOTICE

50th Anniversary Specialty Show catalogs are available from Patricia Long, 5890 Shea Road, Marine City, MI 48039. These catalogs are marked with the official results of the Specialty and are only \$4.00 each (\$3.50 plus 50¢ postage).

The catalog offers many photos of Briards, "Notes from Briard History" as well as the entries at the show. A keepsake you won't want to miss. Order yours today.

1979 BRIARD CALENDARS

IT'S TIME TO ORDER YOUR 1979 BRIARD CALENDAR!!!

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(Canadians, please send only U.S. Funds. The exchange rate varies from day to day and frequently costs the Club money.)

IT'S YOUR DEW CLAW (A SURVEY)

WHAT DEW CLAW FEATURES DO YOU ENJOY THE MOST? -- THE LEAST?

WHAT ADDITIONAL FEATURES DO YOU THINK SHOULD BE PUBLISHED?

DO YOU HAVE TIME TO HELP, IDEAS TO CONTRIBUTE -- OR HAVE YOU HAD A SECRET DESIRE TO BE PART OF THE CREW, WHO PUTS OUT THE BULLETIN -- EVEN A COLUMNIST OR AN EDITOR?

NOW IS THE TIME TO SPEAK UP!

Originally the Dew Claw was a newsletter, a page or two long, run off on a ditto machine and primarily written by the BCA Secretary, because he/she was more in touch with others in the Club. As BCA grew, more people volunteered to help with content, as well as the technical end of publication - and the "newsletter" evolved into a bulletin, with the work shared by several interested (sometimes varying) individuals. The Dew Claw's success depends totally upon volunteers; who are willing to devote a great deal of time (and often expense) and only the actual printing is done by professionals.

The Aim of the Dew Claw is, "to keep our membership better informed and more closely related" - an increasingly difficult task as our Club grows. You can help, whether by doing what you can when you can, by sending news (even if it is only your own)/anecdotes/questions/articles/suggestions/thoughts or complaints -- by observing deadlines/ OR JUST BY TAKING A FEW MOMENTS TO COMPLETE THE SURVEY IN THIS ISSUE AND RETURNING IT TO THE CLUB. -- Let us hear from you!

The survey lists several regular or occasional features of the Dew Claw, with ratings you only need to check off. Your comments and ideas are also welcome, so add them on a separate sheet if you have more to say than the space allows. There is also a place to check if you would be interested in helping, a lot or a little, with regular features (we love volunteers!) and space to add your own suggestions.

Some features are regularly included, but there is always room for improvement and your suggestions could be a big help with content and format. These regular features include the President's column, Secretary's Column, Treasurer's Report, AKC Delegate's Report, etc.

Other features, which have appeared in the Dew Claw, may or may not be of interest to you. If you are not familiar with a feature, a brief description is included so you can indicate if you would or would not enjoy the column. We want to know your evaluation, so check the appropriate rating on the survey sheet, include comments if you have any and return the sheet to the Secretary.

Although there is no deadline, we hope to have compiled the majority of responses in time for the December Dew Claw. Why not fill our your survey sheet and return it - or include it when you send your greeting ad for the December Dew Claw (deadline Nov. 10)? The sooner the better, of course.

JUST TURN THE PAGE TO HAVE YOUR SAY - AND THANK YOU!



ARTICLE	GOOD	O.K.	D.P.I.	I'll Help
Seasonal Care	_____	_____	_____	_____
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Specialty articles				
Care of puppies & selection	_____	_____	_____	_____
Management of Stud Dog/Brood Bitch	_____	_____	_____	_____
Herdng	_____	_____	_____	_____
Shipping	_____	_____	_____	_____
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Spotlight (introducing club members across the country)	_____	_____	_____	_____
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Training for pups	_____	_____	_____	_____
for adults	_____	_____	_____	_____
for owners	_____	_____	_____	_____
overcoming special problems	_____	_____	_____	_____

Complete the survey with your ideas or comments on other features you have or have not enjoyed. If the space below is not enough just add another sheet of paper...and thanks for your thoughts!

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Signature \_\_\_\_\_

(Please return to Diane McLeroth, 3030 Rockwood, Ft. Wayne, IN 46815)

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## NEWS & VIEWS.....

### EAST SIDE STORY

CONGRATULATIONS to Ron and Sheri Daniel, whose CH. NE JEAN-PAUL DE LONGCHAMP finished his championship on Labor Day weekend. Jean-Paul was bred by Ann and John Vaughn out of Jole la Berger de Charlemagne and sired by Iouki de la Petite Suisse du Nord.

'79 SPECIALTY - The '79 Specialty Committee is at work on plans for our National Specialty next August. The Specialty is being planned for Sand and Sea Kennel Club on August 12, 1979 (pending AKC approval) in Lakewood, NJ. The Saturday, companion show on August 11 is at Gloucester County Kennel Club. Reports indicate that the committee has an exciting weekend in the making and you will want to reserve the dates on your calendar. At the present time the committee consists of Marie Kokin, Chairman; Ruth Monast, Co-Chairman; Mary Ellen Monast, Committee Secretary; Cece Collins, Trophy Chairman; and Wendy and Dave Tooker, Hospitality Chairmen. If you would like to help with the Specialty, please contact the Chairman, Marie Kokin, 318-C Windsor Road, Robbinsville, NJ 08691 or phone her at 609/448-0472.

A NEW REGIONAL CLUB is being formed in the East under the name, "The Atlantic States Briard Club". It has been reported that Jayne Dubin will serve as President and Regina Keiter as Secretary. There will be a membership drive this Fall and further information can be obtained from the officers listed above or from Mary Lou Tingley, John Alexander or Ira Ackerson.

### NORTH CENTRAL

Jan Zingsheim reports "The North Central Briarders would like to thank all the people involved with the 50th Anniversary Rassemblement/Specialty Weekend. It was a great success!

"We had many of our members place in the classes and get excellent ratings at the Rassemblement. We are especially proud of two of our members and their dogs, Chuck and Marilyn Rasmussen and their puppy, Sugarcreek Neala Chien d'Mar, who took Best Puppy in Sweepstakes and Reserve Winners Bitch; and Fran and Bob Taylor and their Ch. Jabot le Bonheur d'Hte Couture, who finished his Companion Dog degree in Obedience."

### GOLDEN WEST NEWS AND VIEWS

Joan Dugan reports the following shows in the West:

Los Encinos K.C. - July 23, judge, Mr. Glen Sommers, entry 1/2/0. BOB and W.D. was Mister "T" de Beauxjolis owned by Patt Thomas and Don Mandeville. W.B. was Jim Stewart's Beardsanbrow's Natanya.

Channel City K.C. - July 28, entry 1/3/1. BOB was Ch. Phydeaux Luvem n Leavem C.D. owned by Judy Odom. WD was Mister "T" de Beauxjolis and B.W. and W.B. went to Miel Melosa de Strathcona owned by Dallas Meggitt and Ann-Lisa Alderman.

Ventura County K.C. - July 29, judge Peter Knoop, entry 2/4/0. BOB and W.D. was Mister "T" de Beauxjolis for a 3 point major; W.B. was Miel Melosa de Strathcona for a 3 point major.

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### Golden West News and Views - continued

Santa Barbara K.C. - July 30, judge, Ferelith Hamilton, entry 2/4/1. BOB - Ch. Phydeaux Luvem N Leavem C.D., owned by Judy Odom. WD for 1 point was Rochambeau de Capucine owned by Mr. & Mrs. Marc Ellis and Mr. & Mrs. Robert Kessler. W.B. and BOW for 3 points was Miel Melosa de Strathcona. CONGRATULATIONS to Dallas Meggitt and Ann-Lisa Alderman with their new Champion, Miel, who finished with this win.

Please send any news or show reports to me at 31376 Broad Beach Rd. Malibu, CA 90265 or phone 213/457-3155.

Joan Dugan

### NEWS & VIEWS FROM BETWIXT & BETWEEN

Our 50th anniversary specialty/rassemblement celebration is now part of the past to be remembered on those cold winter nights. Everyone participating had a grand time starting with the rassemblement on Thursday with M. Liguine and his son presiding in the courtyard. Approximately 140 Briards from all over the United States and Canada participated. The final results will be published in a catalog. On Friday evening, Dr. Wyman gave a very informative talk and slide presentation relating to P.R.A. Saturday morning and afternoon 89 Briards had their eyes examined and to the best of my knowledge, none were found with P.R.A.! Everyone who had their dogs eyes checked are urged to send the results to Evy Wegienka, 1009 Cottonwood, Woodland, CA 95695 of the medical committee.

The specialty/obedience trial which was independent this year was also a great success with an entry of 181, some in more than one class. Here are the proud winners of the day judged by Hugh MacLean - obedience, Barbara Zimmerman - puppy sweepstakes and John Stanek - conformation classes and junior showmanship...

B.O.B. - Ch. Stonehill's Louloute Monahan

B.O.S. - Ch. Pa'Chick's Livin' Legend

W.D. 5 pts. - Chateaubriard L'Oreal Un

W.B. 5 pts., B.W. - Chateaubriard Nellie

Best In Sweepstakes - Sugarcreek Neala Chien D'Mar

Highest Scoring Dog in Trial - G'veret Kahlbah de Strathcona, UD

Best Junior Handler - Miss Susan Karshmer

I must say thank you to the heavens above that gave us magnificent weather until Monday morning when we were almost washed away. All in all it was a great weekend but now we must look forward to next year and plan an east coast holiday and a reunion with friends. See you next August!!

### New Champions and Companion Dog

CH. CHATEAUBRIARD NELLIE - Nellie, owned and handled by Ken & Cece Collins, finished her championship at the specialty with a 5 pt. major under Mr. John Stanek going W.B. and B.W. over a large entry.

CH. PA'CHICK'S LIVIN' LEGEND, CAN. C.D. - Chico, owned and handled by Charles & Pat Long, finished his Canadian C.D. at the Essex County Kennel Club show on September 3rd.

CH. MONTARGIS DE LINDEAU - Rowdy, owned and handled by Linda Loehr, finished his championship at the Livonia Kennel Club show on September 10th under Mr. Plaga going WD 5 pts., BW and BOB.

#### Puppy Corner

Dick & Mimi Long of Duluth, Minn. will be expecting black puppies in late October out of their Ch. Jolie de la Rivette, C.D.X. sired by Ch. Montargis de Lindeau who recently finished his championship.

Bob & Marie Herd of Taylor, Mich. will be expecting tawny puppies in early November out of their Ch. Bellesprit Licol Mon Bonheur by Ch. Ralph des Elfes de Malouse, C.D.

#### O.F.A. News

Am. & Can. Ch. Pa'Chick's Livin' Legend, Can. C.D. received his O.F.A. number of FB-80. Chico is owned and bred by Charles & Pat Long and his sire is Am. & Can. Ch. Pa'Chick's Impresario, C.D.X., Can. C.D. and his dam is Am. & Can. Ch. Reine des Elfes de Malouse.

#### Show Reports

6/24/78 - Monroe Kennel Club - j Mr. Patterson - e 1-2-4  
BOB Ch. Pa'Chick's Livin' Legend (Charles & Pat Long),  
BOS Ch. Pa'Chick's Ms-Be-Haven (Margaret & Susan McCormick),  
WD Mon Ami Jean Philippe (Floyd & Myra Stevenson),  
WB 1 pt.,BW Notre Magic Genie de Lindeau (Linda Bullard & Linda Wells Loehr)

7/2/78 - Badger Kennel Club - j Mr. Wills - e 3-9-0  
BOB,WB 4 pts.,BW Fille D'Abbaye (Jane Beahan)  
WD 1 pt.,BOS Berger Du Nord's Nightmare (Phil Zingsheim)

7/9/78 - Starved Rock Kennel Club - j Mrs. Bosold - e 1-2-0  
BOB,BW 1 pt.,WD Unique Noe de Vieille Ville (Cindy Gray)  
BOS, WB 1 pt. Stonehill's I'm Erma La Douce ( Rev. Monahan)

7/9/78 - Macomb Kennel Club - j Mr. Parham - e 4-3-2  
BOB Ch. Pa'Chick's Limited Edition (Jim & Karen Rangus)  
WD 3 pts.,BW Mon Ami Jean Philippe  
WB 2 pts.,BOS Pa'Chick's Mischief Maker (Charles & Pat Long)

8/20/78 - Pontiac Kennel Club - j Mrs. Tingley - e 2-4-4  
BOB Ch. Silvermoon's La Tara (Judy Ziozios)  
BOS Ch. Pa'Chick's Livin' Legend  
WD 1 pt. Montargis de Lindeau  
WB 3 pts.,BW Notre Magic Genie de Lindeau

9/2/78 - Essex County K.C. (Canada) - j Mrs. Smith - e 2-2-0  
BOB,WD 1 pt.,BW Ch. Pa'Chick's Limited Edition  
BOS,WB 1 pt. Ch. Pa'Chick's Little Spitfire (Janet Couture)

9/3/78 - Essex County K.C. (Canada) - j Mr. Hartley - e 2-2-0  
BOB, WD 1 pt.,BW Ch. Pa'Chick's Limited Edition  
BOS, WB 1 pt. Ch. Pa'Chick's Ms-Be-Haven

9/9/78 - Saginaw K.C. - j Mrs. Moore - e 4-3-3  
BOB Ch. Le Majesteux Peter De Brie (Mike Todd & Judy Ziozios)  
BOS Ch. Silvermoon's La Tara  
WD 3 pts.,BW Montargis de Lindeau  
WB 2 pts. Silvermoon Beau-Belle Tanya (Roselyn Bell)

9/10/78 - Livonia Kennel Club - j Mr. Plaga - e 8-5-4  
WD 5 pts.,BW,BOB Montargis de Lindeau  
BOS Ch. Silvermoon's La Tara  
WB 4 pts. Silvermoon Beau-Belle Tanya

Well, that's all the news for now. Anyone with any shaggy tales should drop me a line and I'll be happy to include them in the news.

Susan McCormick

SOMETHING NEW WITH THE NEWS -

#### CENTRAL NEWS EDITOR TO RECEIVE ALL NEWS

The ever-increasing size of BCA has made complete news coverage more and more difficult. What to do? Try something new!

A "Central News Editor" has been appointed to receive all news reports. It will be this Editor's responsibility to organize all news, eliminate duplication and type the news for printing in the Dew Claw. Sue McCormick has volunteered to take on this new job and it is hoped everyone will help by reporting their news!

Now, you have a choice. Send your news to a Regional Reporter, who will write it up and forward it to Sue for coordination and typing. Or - if there is no Regional Reporter near you, you can write your news as you would like it to appear and forward it directly to Sue. Anyone sending news will receive full credit for their contribution.

Everyone wants to read your news. If you have an amusing story or there is a matter of concern - send it in! If there is a show coming up and you want others to come - send that news in! If a group attends a show - send the report! There are more and more Briard gatherings across the country - let others know - Send the news!

A list of Regional Reporters is on page 3 of this issue (do we have any more volunteers?) or write up your report and send it to:

Sue McCormick, 25743 Culver, St. Clair Shores, MI 48081.

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## PANCREATITIS IN DOGS

One of the functions of the pancreas is to secrete many digestive juices. Chronic or acute pancreatitis destroys glandular tissue and alters this normal function.

Chronic pancreatic insufficiency is the most common cause of mal-absorption (inability to digest certain food substances) in the dog. Studies done on the German Shepherd and the fact that the cause of chronic pancreatic insufficiency is unknown, suggest that the disease is hereditary in nature.

The symptoms of chronic pancreatic insufficiency usually begin between one and two years of age. They include a history of vague gastro-intestinal upsets which are not usually severe or frequent enough to consult a veterinarian, weight loss, ravenous appetite, and a dull, dry coat. The stool is large in volume, grey and putty-like or yellow watery diarrhea and has a rncid odor due to large amounts of undigested fat and bacterial decompositon of undigested food in the intestine. A dog with chronic pancreatic insufficiency is usually alert, lively and does not behave as if ill.

The diagnosis of chronic pancreatic insufficiency is confirmed by laboratory tests for fecal fat after feeding a known diet for a few days, fecal trypsin (a pancreatic enzyme), and plasma cholesterol. Normal dogs digest 95-98% of their dietary fat, while affected dogs digest only 25-75%. Fecal trypsin is present in the fresh stool of a normal dog, while it is absent or very low in an affected dog. Plasma cholesterol is low in a dog with chronic pancreatic insufficiency.

The damage to the pancreatic tissue is permanent, therefore treatment involves a lifetime program of trying to halt the disease process, and treatment of the diarrhea and voluminous stools. A high protein diet supplemented with pancreatic enzyme extract, medium chain triglycerides (which do not need pancreatic enzymes to be absorbed as other fats do), and a small amount of glucose and maltose (carbohydrates) is recommended. Dogs with chronic pancreatic insufficiency need to eat two or three times as much as normal dogs.

Some dogs with chronic pancreatic insufficiency cease having diarrhea and gain some weight. About 50% cease having diarrhea but do not gain any weight. Dogs who do not respond to treatment usually die from starvation or infection.

Acute pancreatitis occurs in most breeds and is most frequently seen in obese bitches over 4½ years of age. It can be caused by bile and pancreatic duct obstruction, immune mechanism, infection, trauma, poisoning, or nutrition associated with high carbohydrate and fat diets. Healthy, well-exercised dogs in good physical condition on commercial diets are rarely affected. High fat diets are thought to predispose dogs to acute pancreatitis.

Some of the symptoms are severe and life threatening. Many dogs with acute pancreatitis die. Symptoms include nausea, restlessness, vomiting, abdominal pain, roaching of the back and assumption of a prayer-like position, elevated temperature of 103-105 degrees, rapid

and weak pulse, and shock. When shock occurs, the temperature drops below normal.

Laboratory findings include elevated blood amylase and lypase (digestive enzymes) and the pancreas is enlarged on X-ray.

Treatment involves resting the pancreas, correcting the shock and acid-base balance, water and salt replacement, antibiotics and pain medication. The acute attack usually lasts from one-half day to seven days, but may last up to six weeks. The first 24-48 hours are the most critical. Dogs having acute pancreatitis usually have recurrent attacks and may develop chronic pancreatitis and some degree of diabetes.

Evy Wegienka, Chairman  
Medical Committee

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## THE OTHER RING

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING NEW COMPANION DOGS AND THEIR OWNERS

ARGENT RIO DE BRIOLETTE, C.D. owned and trained by Mary Ake of Littleton, CO.

FILLE D'ABBAYE, C.D. owned and trained by Jane Beahan of Stacy, MN.

CH. JABOT LE BONHEUR D'HTE COUTURE, C.D. owned and trained by Fran Taylor of Rockford, IL.

Chien de Sel Nom de Plume (Tornado) earned her 2nd leg toward her C.D. She is owned and handled by Sue Erickson of Mankato, MN.

Sue McCormick's Shona (Ch. Pa'Chick's Ms-Be-Haven) earned her 2nd leg toward her C.D. with a 191 at Livonia K.C. on Sept. 10.

Pat Long's Chico (Ch. Pa'Chick's Livin' Legend) earned his 2nd leg with a score of 188 at Livonia, Sept. 10.

Floyd Stevenson's Phillippe (Mon Ami Jean Phillippe) earned his 2nd leg toward his C.D. with a 183½ at Livonia.

The three above, shown at Livonia were all in Novice B under judge, Mrs. Haworth Hock.

Kahlbah (G'veret Kahlbak de Strathcona, U.D. took a 3rd place in Utility with a 192 under judge, Kent Delaney. She is owned by Jerry and Stephanie Katz and trained by Jerry.

Gloria Merder of Jasper, Indiana, owner of Chateaubriard Notre Fleur reports that they had been driving 60 miles to go to an obedience training class. However, with the help of their local Humane Society and their vet, the Merders have now started an obedience class in Jasper. Gloria would like to meet any Briard owners in that area and invite them to come to training.

Please send your obedience news and reports to me at 1701 Strathcona, Detroit, MI 48203 or call 313/368-3123. More and more Briarders are active in obedience and we want to include their news.

Stephanie Katz

COMMENT.....

ON SPORTSMANSHIP

The American Kennel Club cites the following criteria to judge whether or not conduct is prejudicial to the sport of dogs -- in other words, to judge sportsmanship or lack of it.

*"One test in connection with any kind of scene or altercation occurring during the progress of a show or trial, is whether a family attending their first show or trial would be likely to decide, after witnessing such an incident, that this was not the sport for them. While the number of people witnessing the conduct should be taken into consideration, conduct known only to one or two people...can be prejudicial to the sport."*

Sadly, several incidents of unsportsmanlike behavior among Briarders have been reported to the B.C.A. As yet, these have not been sent as formal charges, but the following comments received from one of our newer members, duplicate complaints received from other members, some of long standing.

*"I've seen some actions at dogs shows since we started showing, which are very unbecoming to Briard people - or any others. I feel that if you can't say something nice, don't say anything at all!"*

*"At my local kennel club show, I was told by a BCA Member not to show my dog in the East, but to go somewhere in the Midwest. That takes a lot of you-know-what, since these people had to travel 6-8-10 hours to my show and I was only minutes away."*

*"I'm not writing just for myself. There are a lot of new people coming into the Club and the show ring. If things like that go on, we're going to lose a lot of good people. For example, at another show, this Briard owner was watching the Briards and when each entered the ring, she started pointing and laughing. Now, if I could see it, how many other people saw it? She was once a novice herself and God did not make any of us perfect. I know my dogs aren't perfect, but they are not funny either! (Well, maybe only a little.) The person we were with at the show said, 'That's it! I'm through!'. Her Briard has several points and it is terrible to see new and interested people driven away by one or two with bad manners!"*

In the past, Briarders have been known for their exceptionally good sportsmanship - both as individuals and collectively. Behavior such as is described above is inexcusable and will seriously damage the reputation of all Briarders.....one rotten apple can spoil the entire bushel!

Each Briarder is obligated under our Code of Ethics, "to display good sportsmanship and conduct themselves in such a manner as to reflect credit upon the Club and upon Briards, whether at home, traveling, at shows or at motels." This is a prerequisite to membership in the B.C.A. We must encourage everyone to follow the Code and if they won't, something should be done to put a stop to any unsportsmanlike behavior or incidents which reflect on each and every Briarder, as well as the Club.

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Sportsmanship - continued

It is not naive to believe that Briarders can uphold the fine reputation, which they have always enjoyed. Our Club is approaching a membership of 400 and by far the great majority of members would not consider behaving in such a manner. Our noble breed usually attracts very special and worthwhile people - proud of the dogs, having a devotion which precludes anything resembling a lack of good sportsmanship. We must not permit the occasional thoughtless individual, whose behavior is prejudicial to the Breed, to destroy that reputation.

It is the responsibility of every BCA Member, to know and follow the Code of Ethics. Anyone witnessing unsportsmanlike behavior by a Briarder, also has a responsibility to help correct it. Since most Briarders are not vindictive, the first choice is to speak to the individual, or have someone known to the individual point out the inadvisability of the conduct. If the personal approach does no good, a complaint can be filed with BCA. Under the Code, discipline for proven misconduct can range from a letter of warning to more serious discipline. Of course, every member has a right to file a complaint under the By-Laws (Article VI) and misconduct at a show can be reported to the Bench Show Committee for investigation.

The Code states, "This Code establishes a standard of conduct to be followed by all members of the Briard Club of America in the normal course of owning, breeding, exhibiting, selling and judging Briards. We recognize the impossibility of covering all situations so that any failure to comply with the intent of this code is to be dealt with in the same manner as if it were a specific violation." The Code concludes with, "The Board of Directors of the B.C.A. shall review all cases of alleged misconduct and shall make its judgements by a simple majority vote. Discipline under this Code shall be based upon the degree of misconduct. For minor infractions, a letter of warning may be all that is recommended and such a letter would be mailed promptly by the Secretary to the party or parties involved. This shall in no way preclude the Board or individual members from taking stronger action as provided in Article VI of the By-Laws, and such discipline shall be recommended in cases of repeated or flagrant misconduct."



WHAT KIND OF A MEMBER ARE YOU?

Some are like wheelbarrows -- No good unless pushed.

Some are like trailers -- they have to be pulled.

Some are like kites -- If you don't keep a string on them they fly away.

Some are like balloons -- Full of wind and ready to blow up.

Some are like footballs -- You can't tell which way they will bounce.

And then, some are like a good watch -- Open face, pure gold, quietly busy, and full of good works.

author unknown



GROOMING APRON  
\$8.00 ea.

## Briard Novelty Shoppe

Christmas is just around the corner. The Briard Novelty Shoppe has many ideas for those Christmas stockings and those little gifts that are so hard to find. I wish I could picture all the items that the Shoppe handles but instead, I picked out a couple of new ones and a couple of old ones. Other items and their prices are as follows: Cuddly nite shirts, with either of the T-shirt Briards on it. Childs sizes in light blue or pink \$10.50. Adult sizes in light blue \$10.50. Briard T-shirt dress, full length, well fitting in yellow or light blue, ladies sizes, \$16.00. Briard statue painted like your dog, size 8"X10", \$10.00. Briard etchings, must see to appreciate priced from \$7.00 for small black & white to \$20.00 for large color. T-shirts both white and blue, all sizes. White have "Happiness is a Briard." Blue has a full bodied Briard. Both sell for \$5.50. Many more items are in stock. If you don't have a catalog, write for one. Remember, Christmas is coming.

Jan Zingsheim, 5350 Co. Rd. 151,  
Mound, MN 55364 612/472-4052.



COFFEE MUG  
\$12.00

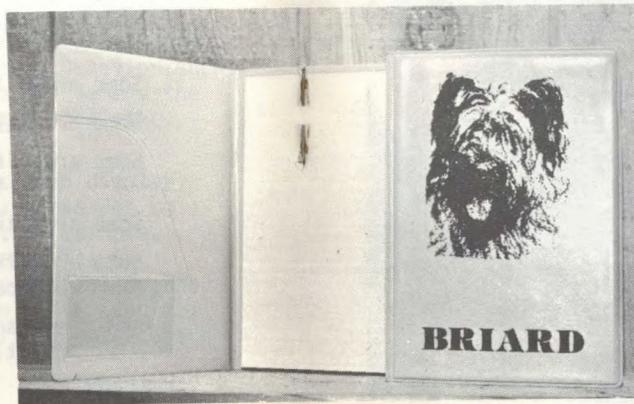


### HATS

One size fits all. Woman's has a strap top and see through sun visor. Men's, pictured above. Green & White. \$5.50.

### NOTEBOOKS

Tan notebook, made of vinyl with a lined note pad inside. Flaps for all those notes and cards. \$4.50.



### PEWTER JEWELRY

Pins, tie tacks, medallions & belt buckles. Prices of items pictured, Medallions \$5.50, Belt buckles \$5.50.



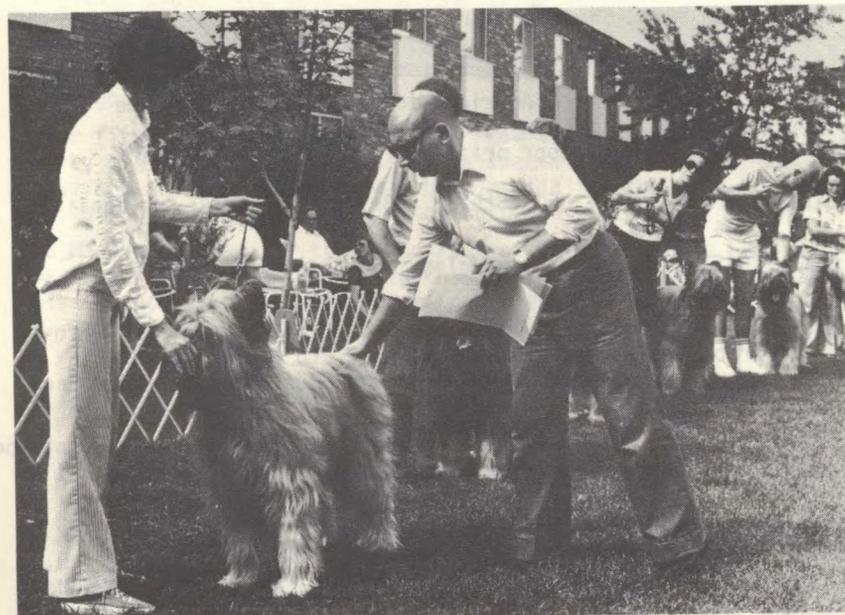
M. Liguine, our Rassemblement judge (kneeling), evaluated each Briard individually. Here he evaluates Judi Ziozios' (right) dog. Laurent, M. Liguine's son (standing, center) took notes for his father, Nancy McLeroth (left) acted as interpreter when needed.



Manny Littin's 7-mo. old pup gets a well-deserved hug from Manny after evaluation.



M. Liguine ponders his final selection of tawny males. Jan Zingsheim and Underdog (center), Pat Long with Chico and others await his decision.



Sue McCormick (left) poses Imp for M. Liguine during the selection. This was made from all dogs, who had received an excellent rating.

## FROM THE SPECIALTY SHOW SECRETARY

19908 Bockman Road  
Marengo, Illinois 60152  
August 23, 1978

Diane McLeroth, Secretary  
Briard Club of America  
3030 Rockwood Drive  
Fort Wayne, IN 46815

Dear Diane:

Please extend to the Briard Club of America my sincere thanks for asking me to be a part of your independent National Specialty Show. It was, indeed, a pleasure to work with the club on this show --- especially since I am not a member of your club.

I enjoyed meeting all of you Briarders in Ohio and the hospitality extended to me was greatly appreciated. The beautiful and most unusual lucite remembrance presented to me is sitting in a place where all can see it here in my office at the church. Everyone is fascinated with it and the compliments have come in on all sides.

My best wishes to your club as you go in the years to come. May each show to come in the future be better than the one before. I shall hold the wonderful experience of being part of the 1978 Briard Club of America National Specialty show in my memories.

Sincerely,



Marjorie E. Fish, Show Secretary

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The Briard Club of America wishes to express sincere thanks to the following companies, who so generously contributed the door prizes for our 50th Anniversary.

BEECHAM LABORATORIES, 501 5th St., Bristol TN 37620 for donating 6 boxes of Pet-Tabs.

BOMBUS GIFTS, Dept. DW25, Douglas, MI 49406 for donating 2 key chains.

LAMBERT KAY, Div. Carter Wallace, Inc., Cranbury, NJ 08512 for contributing 3 Mediclean Shampoo, 2 Pro Coat, 3 Pet Stain Remover, 2 Linatone, 3 Theralin Puppy Nutritional Powder, and 3 Theralin VMP.

ST. AUBREY, Div. of 8 in 1 Pet Products, 100 Emjay Blvd., Brentwood, NJ 11717 for donating 1 Skin & Coat Conditioner, 2 Pervinal Powder and 2 Pervinal Tablets.

SCHMIDT'S FEED & PET SUPPLY, Toledo, OH, distributor for FRANK W. McHUGH AND ASSOCIATES, 866 Independence Ave., Mountain View, Ca. 94040 for donating 6 bottles Ultra-Glo, 12 bottles Ultra-Mend and 12 bottles Ultra-Scorbate.

VIOLIN CORP, Sub. A.H. Robins Co., Monticello IL 61856 for donating 6 bottles of Wheat Germ Oil.

## AUSTRALIAN NOTES ON THE B.C.A. 50TH ANNIVERSARY

BY BRIAN BEVERIDGE, WHO MADE THE LONG TRIP FROM AUSTRALIA JUST TO ATTEND OUR SPECIALTY EVENT - AND WHO ADDED TO THE ENJOYMENT OF EVERYONE WHO HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO MEET HIM.

Firstly, I would like to thank all members of the B.C.A., who made my visit an event to be remembered. Secondly, to those who put up with me, and those who could not understand a word I said, my condolences, as I tried to speak Aussie-American as different from Aussie-English. Boy! I had less trouble in Rome with the language and I could not speak a word of Italian except, "The coins in the fountain" and "Spaghetti Bolognese"! To those, who I embarrassed with every-day Aussie sayings that have a completely different meaning in the States, well, you would be in trouble in Australia as well, so please visit sometime.

About Toledo and the dogs and owners: Great place, Great bunch, and many mad memories. Liked the Briards with cropped ears, even though we can't show them in Australia (same rules as England). It is hard to compare them with natural eared dogs as the appearance changes more than I imagined. I feel the dog looks larger with the head also appearing to be greater in size. Color - Fawns or tawnies in my view tend to be a problem with many too washed out for me. Even thought the lighter creams look good with the darker ear tips - fitting those colors into our Standard (the English one) could present a problem, now and in the future. Bone: possibly heavier than in the U.K. or Australia. Dogs may be showier. Owners - well I wish I could have spent more time to get to know many of you a lot better, especially the mob in the Winnebago. The driver and navigator, for want of better words, who spent hours and miles in their endeavour to obtain my first taste of Mexican food - Viva Zantigo!!!

Your first specialty as a separate show was a success, I feel. Back here, all breed clubs have separate specialties each year and are always a success and produce a good profit for the club. May there be many more similar shows in the future of the BCA.

To Manny and Jean for the Grand Tour of Toledo, and to Lynn and David for their hospitality in Chicago, Many thanks. To everyone else I met, look out, you never know where I will pop up!

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## SOME MEMORIES OF THE ANNIVERSARY WEEKEND

from the "French Connection"

The motel sprinkling system that didn't turn off -  
Two men with their red plastic glasses -  
The Briard that wouldn't let anyone out the motel room door  
once they were inside-  
Over half the Obedience Briards qualifying in our first  
Obedience Specialty-  
The great gathering of old friends and meeting of new -  
All the Briards !!



BEST OF BREED - CH. STONEHILL'S LOULOUTE MONAHAN owned by Florise Hogan and Cathy Joesten. (l.to r.) Judge, Mr. John Stanek, Steve Feller, Specialty Chairman and Cathy Joesten.

**THE BCA 50TH ANNIVERSARY WEEKEND** - a delightful success - memorable for all who attended - a celebration appropriate for our Golden Anniversary. Special thanks go to Steve Feller, Specialty Chairman; Jan Zingsheim, Obedience Chairman; Louise Cohen, Rassemblement Chairman and to our charming and efficient Show Secretary, Midge Fish. Thanks also to the many hard-working committee chairmen and their committees, who helped to prove that success comes when so many pitch-in and work together.

After 5 days with Briards and Briarders as guests, the staff of the Holiday Inn in Toledo has only good to say about us. They have invited us to come back again and offered to give us strong recommendations for any motels scheduled for future events. The efforts and concern by Barb Gehrig and the staff is sincerely appreciated - as is the consideration shown by Briarders for the motel and staff.

The weather cooperated - not too hot, as it can be in Toledo in Aug. and the rain held off until Monday when it helped to refresh the grounds, rather than dampen spirits. The work and the planning was evident: from the moment the first Briarder arrived to Karen Rangus'



BEST OF OPPOSITE SEX - CH. PA'CHICK'S LIVIN' LEGEND owned and bred by Chales & Patricia Long is handled by Pat.

greeting- through the Rassemblement - the Specialty - the Judges' Reception with its magnificent display of fresh fruit and cheese to climax the events - and Monday, when those who remained helped with the clean-up in the downpour - and Tuesday when Manny Littin and Jean Heft returned to be sure the fence was closed and everything was in order.

In the Rassemblement, M. Liguine evaluated 147 Briards, 70 of which were rated Excellent and 18 of which were Selected. The Club will publish the full report shortly, so everyone can study M. Liguine's opinion of our Briards.

The Specialty enjoyed an obedience entry of 30 Briards under judge, Hugh MacLean; 34 pups in Sweepstakes under judge, Barbara Zimmerman; and 166 entries in the regular and non-regular classes under Mr. John Stanek, who also judged the entry of 8 youngsters in Junior Showmanship. The total - and needless to say a record - 238 entries! The entries and results are too lengthy to publish but complete results of the show are available in the marked Specialty Catalogs, available from Pat Long (5890 Shea Road, Marine City, MI 48039) for \$4.00 per copy.

Very special thanks to our show photographer, Alice B. Clark, who provided the Dew Claw with photos of the Specialty winners.

SPECIALTY WINNERS



**BEST OF WINNERS & WINNERS BITCH - CHATEAUBRIARD NELLIE**  
Nellie is owned and handled by Cece Collins and was bred by Cece and Jane Mathews. The Specialty win finished Nellie's championship.



**BEST IN SWEEPSTAKES & RESERVE WINNERS BITCH** was awarded to **SUGARCREEK NEALA CHIEN D'MAR** owned by Marilyn & Chuck Rasmussen and handled by Marilyn. She was bred by Susan Smith (right).



**WINNERS DOG - CHATEAUBRIARD L'OREAL UN** owned by Leila Rittmaster and Cece Collins. He was bred by Cece and Ken Collins and finished his championship with this win. He is handled by Leila.



**RESERVE WINNERS DOG - MONTARGIS DE LINDEAU** is owned and handled by Linda Wells. He was bred by Linda and Dr. & Mrs. F.V.C. Wells.



HIGHEST SCORING  
DOG IN TRIAL

G'VERET KAHLBAH DE  
STRATHCONA, U.D.  
owned by Jerry and  
Stephanie Katz was  
trained and handled  
by Jerry. She scored  
195½ in the Open  
class for her win.  
Presenting her award  
is obedience judge,  
Mr. Hugh MacLean.



BEST JUNIOR HANDLER  
IN SHOW  
SUSAN KARSHMER (right)  
is pictured with her dog,  
Ch. Chateaubriard Norman  
M. after winning the  
Best Junior title.



SWEEPSTAKES - With the trophy table in the foreground, Puppy Sweepstakes judge, Barbara Zimmerman examines the 6 to 9 month old Puppy Bitch class.



"RALPH SIT!"

VETERAN OBEDIENCE CLASS - CH. RALPH DES ELFES DE MALOUSE, C.D. returned to the ring at the age of 10½ years to show that Briards do not forget. Had Ralph not broken on the long down, he would have scored 192½! Everyone pulls for a veteran and above, judge, Mr. Hugh MacLean appears to be adding his encouragement. Ralph is owned by Charles & Pat Long and was trained and handled by Pat (left).



**1ST PLACE STUD DOG - CH. EAGLE OF ALPIN** owned and handled by Jayne Dubin. He is shown with his get: Bellesprit Nicole owned by Stephanie Marcus, and Bellesprit Nacho Nzassi owned by Lana & Tanja Johnson.



**1ST PLACE BROOD BITCH - CH. PHYDEAUX USHEBA DES BERGER** owned and handled by Mary Lou Tingley. Sheba is shown with her produce: Ch. Phydeaux Windfall owned by Jan Charbonneau, and Ch. Phydeaux Linda Lovelace owned by Regina Keiter.

## BRIARD AID AND RESCUE

It is of deep concern that I write this article to Briard owners and fanciers. There is a growing problem of older Briards in need of good, loving homes. Many people do not realize that this problem exists, but it does!

Over the past year, there have been more than a dozen older Briards placed in new homes by the B.C.A. Unfortunately one or two could not be placed because of the pathetic condition they were in. A dozen may seem like a small number, compared to the number of Briards in the U.S. and Canada, but even one is too many! Steps must be taken by all of us to help reduce the number of dogs in need of homes and to help those who need homes.

It is shocking to think that the Briard, a loving, loyal, noble breed for centuries, is in fact today being found in humane shelters, pounds and pet shops all over the country.

This is not the job for one person - or a select few. It is the job of every concerned Briard owner to check their local humane shelters, pet shops and even boarding kennels. If you know of someone, who would provide a good and loving home for a Briard in need, notify the Club.

Recently published in Pittsburgh was an article about one of our local humane shelters. 30,000 dogs pass through this shelter yearly and very few find their way into homes. Not all of the dogs are mixed breeds. Many thousands are purebred dogs, lost or abandoned. This is just one shelter. There are thousands of shelters all over the U.S. with similar statistics. That is not the place for a Briard! According to a recent survey of humane shelters, the larger the dog, the less the chance of adoption.

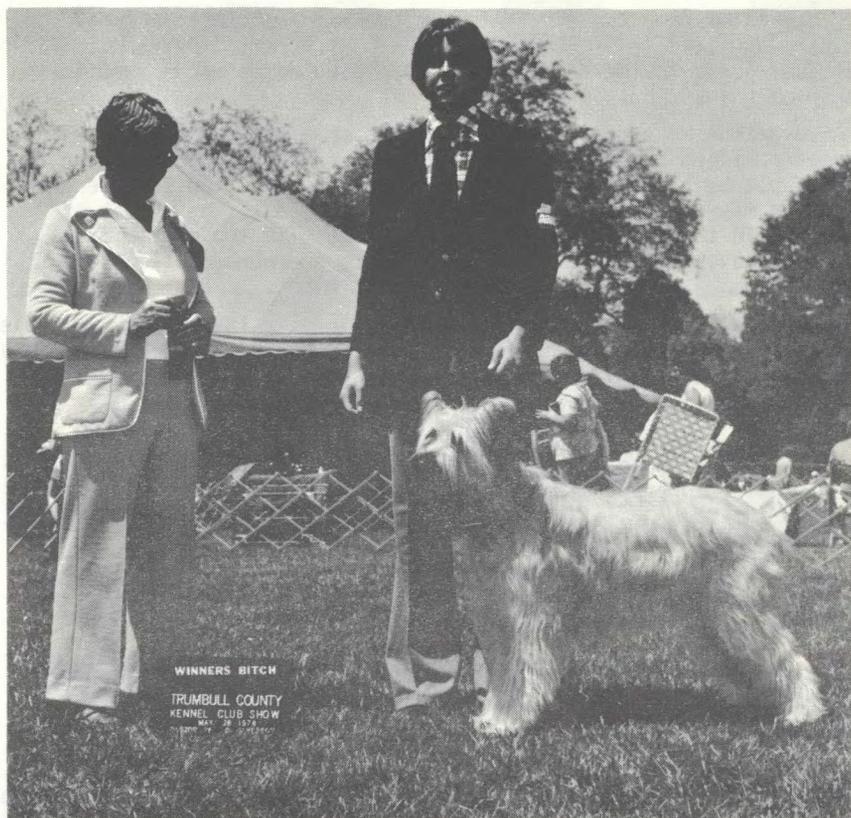
It is the responsibility of every Briard owner to inform their local authorities of this breed. Take a few minutes of your time to stop at the shelters in your area and see the dogs up for adoption. Show the local authorities (Police, dog catches, humane shelter employees, etc.) a picture and tell them, "If you see a dog like this, call me." You will find these people working for your community very willing to help. If you learn of a Briard in a shelter, notify the Club immediately.

One way to reduce the number of older dogs in need of homes is education. All Briard owners should help to educate every person who asks questions about the Briard. Stress to people that they are large dogs. How many times have you heard "He's too big, we didn't think he would grow so large."? Tell potential owners of the many hours of grooming required, whether it be pet or show.

Education is of utmost importance. Educate potential Briard owners, local authorities. There is a very good piece of educational material available to you. The BCA brochure on the Briard is available from Mrs. Marley for a more than reasonable price. Every Briarder should have some on hand to give to those who have questions. Answer all questions honestly and openly about the breed.

We must all work together if we are going to eliminate this growing problem. HEATHER SCHROTT, Aid & Rescue Chairman  
412/824-9318 - 587 Lucia Rd., Pittsburgh, PA 15221

NEW BRIARD CHAMPION



CHAMPION AMBRIANCE MADRIGAL (bitch)

Owner: Sandra Treleven Breeder: Brenda Burton

Championship: May 28, 1978

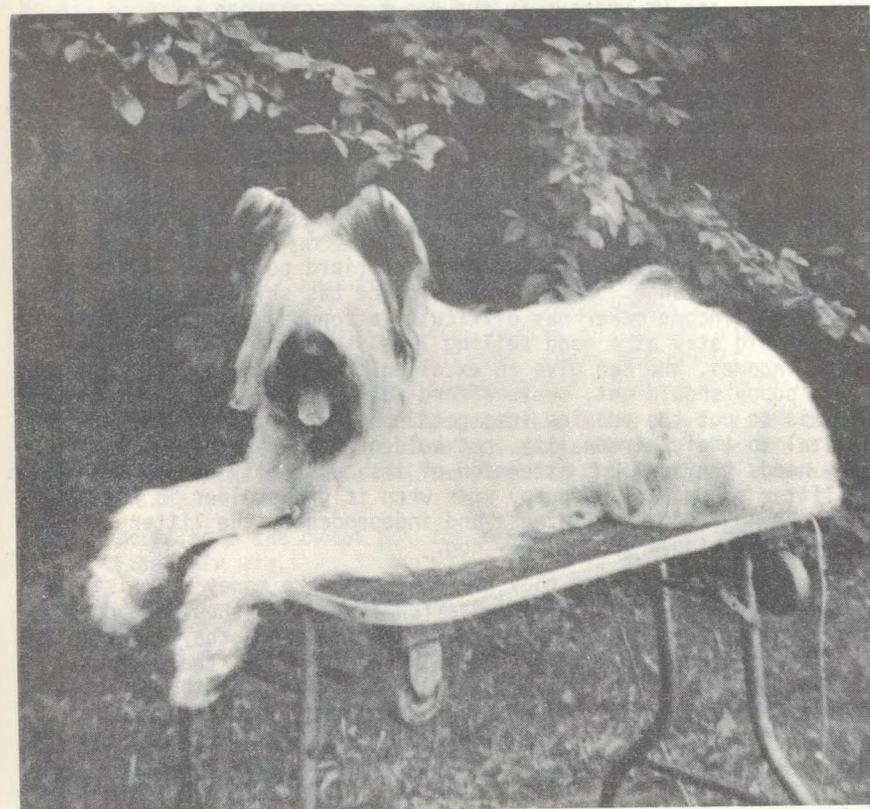
Whelped: April 5, 1976

Sire: Ch. Umbi Chabiv de Strathcona, C.D. Dam: Ch. Chateaubriard Je Ne Sais Quoi

(Ch. Tres Bien Chez Rogues de Brie X G'Veret Kahlbah de Strathcona, U.D.) (Ch. Pythias Chez Phydeau X Ch. Phydeaux Theda Bara)

Judge: Mrs. Maynard K. Drury Handled by Tim Babinchak

NEW CANADIAN COMPANION DOG



AM/CAN. CH. PA'CHICK'S LIVIN' LEGEND, CAN. C.D. (dog)

Owners: Charles & Pat Long Breeders: owners

Can. Companion Dog Degree: September 2, 1978

Whelped: August 9, 1975

Sire: Am/Can. Ch. Pa'Chick's Impresario, Am CDX/Can. C.D. Dam: Am/Can. Ch. Reine des Elfes de Malouse

(Ch. Proud Rebel de Marha X Am/Can. Ch. Pa'Chick's Unchained Melody) (Odon-Desire des Elfes de Malouse X Maia Mopti des Elfes de Malouse)

Trained and handled by Pat

## COMMENT

### ARE WE HEADING IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION???

by Jan Zingsheim

The main idea in breeding the Briard should be to better the Breed. No breeding should take place unless this is the only idea the breeder has in his or her mind. Breeding should not be a quick way to make a few bucks! The Briard is too small a breed, as far as numbers in the world. By not breeding quality Briards to quality Briards the detriment to the Breed can be very bad.

Back about ten years, the price of a Briard puppy was within the average market range. Recently this price has skyrocketed, so that the average income maker has difficulty affording a Briard. This price should stay at a good selling level so those people, with modest incomes, who can give an excellent home with all the love and care a puppy should get, could afford to buy one. The most important thing is to put the puppies into good homes at a young age when it is so vital to their personality, not hold out for the top dollar. A puppy needs the love and attention of its own family when it is young. The litter association a puppy gets when it grows older is not that good. Being a dog of aliveness and independence, the litter life is bad for producing a good family dog.

Those breeders who say they are going to make money by raising a litter of puppies are overlooking a few items that should be considered when itemizing the money situation: the price they paid for the bitch; the food she consumed through her growing-up; the dog show expenses (time off from work, motel rooms, food, gas); the grooming supplies; the vet. bills; the time spent in raising her (time does have a price); the stud fee; the ear cropping; the vet. bills for the pups; the time involved taking care of the pups; the advertising; and the corresponding done between buyer and seller. Once this is done a breeder would find out that to ask a price that would come close to breaking even would be so outrageous that no one would pay that kind of money for a dog.

A reasonable base price should be established and from this base price, depending on the popularity of the bitch and sire, the titles and background of the parents, and the quality of the puppies, that price can be altered. But remember to keep this price realistic. The idea of raising a litter of pups is to better the breed, and get the pups into good homes, not to better your pocketbook.

A good breeder always makes it known to their puppy buyers that if they have any questions throughout the dog's life, to feel free to ask. They always keep in touch with their puppy buyers. If the puppy is no longer wanted, the breeder has first choice in taking it back or will usually help find it a good home. A breeder's responsibility for his or her breeding does not stop when the puppy leaves the kennel, but continues until the dog dies, whether from disease, accident, or old age.

It behooves us as members of the Briard Club of America to take great care in the breeding and selling of our Briards. This is the only way we can preserve the beauty and well-being of the Breed.

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### Are We Headed in the Right Direction??? continued

We all signed a Code of Ethics when we were applicants. It is time to read over that Code and evaluate where we are going as Briard owners and breeders...

5. As a Breeder of Briards, I will breed dogs to improve the quality of the Briard.
6. I will not breed my Briard to any dog or bitch that is not AKC registered.
7. I will sell Briards in good condition, free from communicable disease, with health guaranteed for a reasonable length of time.
8. I will not sell any dog which has defects of a nature that will make it detrimental to the Breed, except under the condition that it be spayed or neutered, noting on the AKC transfer record that the dog is transferred under the condition that it must not be bred; or that registration papers are withheld.
9. I will supply each purchaser with the following: registration record and 3 or 4 generation pedigree (where applicable); Health record; Diet and care information; and I will do so at the time of sale.
10. I will help the owner for the life of the dog in every reasonable way.
11. I will not sell stock without true representation to the purchaser. All advertising will be honest and not in any way misrepresentative, misleading, or fraudulent.
12. I will not sell or donate dogs to commercial dog wholesalers, retail pet dealers, catalog houses nor to be given in contest as prizes nor for other exploitation.

### ARE WE HEADING IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION???

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## BULLETIN BOARD

Rassemblement '74 catalogs wanted - Several newer members of the BCA are interested in buying copies of the 1974 Rassemblement catalog. Anyone who would be willing to sell their copy of this catalog, please notify the Secretary and include the price you would want for the report.

Briard Brochures - The B.C.A. publishes an excellent brochure on the Briard for your use. It includes a description of the Briard, the A.K.C. Briard Standard and the Code of Ethics of the B.C.A. There is space for your name and address and the brochure fits in a number 10 envelope for easy mailing. Brochures are \$1.25 for 25 brochures and \$4.00 for 100 brochures. (Please make checks payable to the Briard Club).

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  - a. Same Size - The simplest way is to fold an 8½ X 11 sheet of WHITE paper in half. Using half the sheet, allow for margins and lay out your ad as you want it to appear. PHOTOS CAN BE REDUCED TO FIT YOUR COPY. Done this way, your copy will appear in the issue at the same size.
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LET YOUR IMAGINATION GO AND PLAN YOUR GREETING TODAY. DRAWINGS, ART WORK, PHOTOS AND PASTE UPS FROM OLD GREETING CARDS ADD AN INDIVIDUAL TOUCH OR JUST A SIMPLE TYPED MESSAGE SENDS YOUR GOOD WISHES OUT TO BRIARDERS EVERYWHERE!

(PLEASE INCLUDE YOUR CHECK, PAYABLE TO THE BRIARD CLUB.)

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AM/CAN CH. I CHARLEMAGNE CHEZ CIEL, AM/CAN C.D.X., AM T.D., A.D. tawny, 3/6/73, OFA-FB 39, CERF BR-108/77-52. Sire: Ch. Prince Valiant de Marha. Dam: Ch. Queen Elizabeth de Chien Velu. Owner: Dave Behrens 1309 Lloyd, Lombard, IL 60148. Telephone: 312/620-5036 (10/78)

CH. JABOT LE BONHEUR D'HTE COUTURE, black, 5/10/74. Sire: Ch. Soleil d'Or de Marha. Dam: Vicki Chien de Grand Coeur. Owner: Frances Taylor, 2612 Starkweather Road, Rockford, IL 61107. Telephone: 815/398-8938. (12/78)

CH. LE MAJESTEUX PETER DE BRIE, black, 7/2/75. Sire: Vin Marque de Grand Coeur. Dam: Ch. Viva Maude Chez Rogues de Brie, C.D. Owners: Mike Todd & Judi Ziozios, 191 Stroik Dr., Saginaw, MI 48603 Telephone: 517/781-3576. (10/78)

CH. MONTARGIS DE LINDEAU, black, 3/14/76, OFA-FB 77, CERF 127/78/29, Rass. '78-Exc. Sire: Vin-Marque de Grand Coeur (X-rayed clear), Rass. '74/'78-Exc. Dam: Ch. Iaime Widgeette de Lindeau, OFA-FB 42, Rass. '74/'78-Exc. Owner/breeder: Linda Wells, Chateau Lindeau Briards, 7380 Bishop Road, Brighton, MI 48116. Phone: 313/227-2414 (6/79)

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LOOKING FOR PUPPIES?

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Cece Collins, 75 Inwood Rd., Darien, CT 06820 (203/655-8886)

MICHIGAN

Bob & Marie Herd, 9607 Katherine, Taylor, MI 48180 (313/291-0906)

MINNESOTA

Jane Beahan, 29965 Innsbrook, Stacy, MN 55079 (612/257-4407)  
Susan Erickson, Rt. 5 Box 145, Mankato, MN 56001 (507/388-3282)  
Dick & Mimi Long, 63 1st Ave. North, Duluth, MN 55803 (218/724-7986)

NEW JERSEY

Marie & Monroe Kokin, 318-C Windsor Rd., Robbinsville, NJ 08691 (609/448-0472)  
Dave & Wendy Tooker, 67 Irongate Lane, Matawan, NJ 07747 (201/583-9568)

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Andrea Fochios, 395 Riverside Dr. #8, New York, NY 10025 (212/666-6090)  
Faye Sloan, 254 N. Pascack Rd., Spring Valley, NY 10977 (914/356-7112)  
Eugene & Carol Steiner, 1007 Cedar Dr. North, Manhasset Hills, NY 11040 (516/248-9508)

CANADA

Janis Charbonneau, 34 Woolwich St., Breslau, Ontario NOB 1M0 Canada

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