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Please send your news to the area editors early.



(Photo courtesy of Jayne Dubin)

PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS

As we approach the end of the annual year, it may be of interest to you to review actions taken during the past year and also projections for the coming year.

The following were the major items of activity:

1. Enactment of membership regulations - this step was taken in necessity and results to date have been most satisfactory and well accepted.
2. Code of Ethics - this was long overdue and has been very well received by all of you.
3. Revision of the Breed Standard - currently in process and agreement with the AKC not yet reached. Many of you offered suggestions and most West Coast members responded to the questionnaire. We believe we will be able to offer a very satisfactory Standard for your approval, based upon your suggestions and overall response.
4. Rassemblement commitment - possibly the most important undertaking in BCA history towards the future of the Briard in this country.

This Board has performed its duties, in these and other matters, in an outstanding manner, keeping always the best interests of the Briard foremost in its actions. The Board's efforts have been performed in a sincere and conscientious manner and have represented the membership well. My personal thanks to each Board member for their excellent cooperation.

During the upcoming year, major efforts will be toward finalization of the Rassemblement and the completion of the breed Standard. No doubt there will be many other pressing matters presented to the Board but none so important as bringing these two events to a successful conclusion. Both events will require substantial work from the Board and the membership, if they are to be successful.

It must be obvious to each of you that being on the Board of the BCA does require considerable time and work on the part of each Board member and that the position is simply not an honorary title. I urge you to keep in touch with your nearby Board member, to express your views on Club actions and to make known your ideas which may be of benefit to all BCA members.

"What you are speaks so loud that I cannot hear what you say". (Emerson)

Phil McNelis

WHAT IS A RASSEMBLEMENT?

A Rassemblement is a symposium - among the ancient Greeks a gathering for discussion and learning, including a convivial feast or banquet.

Rassemblements are held regularly in Europe by various breed clubs in their continuing search for those qualities which will help bring the breed closer to the ideal. Our B.C.A. Rassemblement will be closely patterned after those held by the French, Club des Amis du Briard in an effort to evaluate the qualities of the breed and promote conservation of its positive heritage.

A Rassemblement is NOT a dog show, arranged in classes with one dog competing against another for ribbons or placements. Instead, each dog is evaluated individually, only for rapport with the Breed Standard.

All Briard owners are encouraged to bring their dogs. A Rassemblement is not just for show dogs. There is a very good reason for this. Any experienced breeder can tell you that a dog which may not appear to be as beautiful as another can be a very important contributor to the breed. That is to say, he or she can transmit to his or her offspring certain qualities of conformation or character that are needed to bring the breed closer to perfection.

The B.C.A. is privileged to have Monsieur Jean Janicot of France as our guest for the Rassemblement. M. Janicot, who is recognized as one of the foremost authorities on the Briard, has been a breeder and judge for many years and has judged throughout Europe.

Each Briard will be taken alone before M. Janicot. At first the dog will be on the lead and then the dog will be allowed to run freely, off the lead, so his natural qualities can be seen to best advantage. This is especially important in evaluating the movement of the dog. How often have you heard it said, "My dog moves so much better in the yard than on the lead."?

Briarders throughout the world are trying to improve many things: the texture of the coat, the size and type of the head, the depth of the tawny color and many other points of conformation. They are equally concerned with preserving the true shepherd temperament of our breed. All these things will be kept in mind as M. Janicot evaluates each dog to find the qualities needed for breed improvement.

A Rassemblement is not a dog show in any sense of the word! Each dog will be evaluated in a natural and informal atmosphere. The evaluation will NOT be based on training and it is not necessary to present a dog that has been trained for the obedience or show ring. Incidentally, unlike an AKC dog show, more than one handler will be allowed, inside or outside the ring. This will give husband and wife the chance to hear M. Janicot's comments first hand - or if your dog responds to whistles, whistle all you like.

This evaluation will NOT be a negative search for faults. After all, there is no perfect dog. Instead, it will be made to point out the strong qualities of each dog, for you personally and for the breed in general. So come to the Rassemblement and learn exactly which are your dog's most important qualities. Not compared to other Briards, but for his own conformation with the Standard.

M. Janicot will talk with you individually, and if you wish, he can assist in selecting the proper mate for you dog.

If you are not interested in breeding, the presence of your dog is still of utmost importance in order to have a complete picture of the Briard in America. In addition, the breeder of your dog will need a good representation of his line to have a complete evaluation from M. Janicot.

Show dog or pet dog, each Briard will be important to the success of our Rassemblement. With a balanced representation of the breed, M. Janicot will be able to give an over-all evaluation that will be most helpful in our efforts to produce that elusive, perfect Briard.

A Rassemblement is an educational and worthwhile experience - and even more important, it is an immeasurable service to the Briard. It will be a delightful Briard weekend for all who attend.

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Award applications have been received from the following:

For the title of COMPANION DOG

"Unique Magie du Nord" owned by Laurel Miner

For the title of COMPANION DOG EXCELLENT

"Teddy du Lac de Bethmale" owned by Richard G. Long

"Gveret Kahlbah de Strathcona" owned by Jerry Katz

For the title of CHAMPION

"Teddy du Lac de Bethmale" owned by Richard & Mimi Long

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"Van's Magdalene du Beauxjolis" owned by Ken & Pat Van Fleet

"Man de Ville's O.J. Britt" owned by Don & Nancy Mandeville

Thanks to Patricia Martin for sending the following poem.

THE TRUTH I DO NOT STRETCH OR SHOVE
WHEN I SAY THE DOG IS FULL OF LOVE,
I'VE ALSO PROVED, BY ACTUAL TEST,
A WET DOG IS THE LOVINGEST.

OGDEN NASH

STUD DOG COLUMN

MAXIMIN DE CAMARADE, tawny, 10-13-77. Sire: Ch. Joueur de la Gaillarde. Dam: Ch. Jouet de la Patre.

Owners: Walter and Naiad Einsel, 26 So. Morningside Drive, Westport, Conn. 06880. Telephone: 203/ 226-0709

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CH. PHYDEAUX QUOIN DE CUIVRE, tawny, 8-17-67. Sire: Ch.

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CH. PYTHIAS CHEZ PHYDEAU, tawny, 12-12-66. Sire: Ch.

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Dam: Nouchka de la Haute Tour. Owners: Myra Girouard and Inga Applequist, 401 Edgewood Road, Redwood City, Cal. 94062. Telephones: 415/ 364-5656 or 415/ 392-6212.

UHLAN DE GRAND COEUR, tawny, 3-22-71. OFA FB-22. Sire: Ch.

Ralph des Elfes de Malouse, C.D. Dam: Ch. Phoebe Chez Phydear. Owners: Jennie & Dallas Meggitt, 3645 Cartwright, Pasadena, Cal. 91107. Telephone: 213/ 449-8762.

If you would like your Briard listed in the Stud Dog Column, send \$10 (annual rate) or \$2 (Monthly rate) along with approximately five lines of information, to the Secretary. Please make checks payable to The Briard Club of America.

PLANNING AHEAD - Each year the December issue of the Dew Claw features ads from members in the form of holiday greetings. November 1 will be the deadline so be sure to have your photos and ideas ready.

malfunctions.

In the late 50's it was rare to find a Golden Retriever without hip dysplasia. Now, the hips are generally far better than earlier, but other new problems are appearing, such as conformation, ocular and mental abnormalities.

The Labrador Retrievers have gone the other way. Years ago, their hips were generally good. Now, in addition to poor hips, many Labs are mentally unstable. In my practice Labs and Miniature Poodles are the breeds wherein epilepsy is most frequently diagnosed.

St. Bernard hips are at least as bad as they always have been. Weak hindquarters are accepted as normal in this breed! But in the past 12-15 years bad dispositions have developed along with more abnormalities of jaws, dentition and excess skin problems around the head.

WHO, OR WHAT GROUP OF PEOPLE, IS RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL THESE THINGS AS WELL AS MANY OTHER PROBLEMS IN DOZENS OF OTHER BREEDS? PROBABLY ALL OF US CONTRIBUTE OUR SHARE TO THE EXISTING CONDITIONS.

How is the intelligent, concerned dog breeder involved? Simply by giving up! With the knowledge of what is best for the breed and constant striving toward the goal of over-all improvement and near perfection, these good people become discouraged in time and find other activities for pleasure and satisfaction. They become discouraged and quit.

The enormous group of uninformed dog breeders - the so called "Kitchen Breeders" is a group on which much blame can be placed. Indiscriminate breeding is common practice. The only requirements are that the dogs be of opposite sex and of the same breed. Arrangements for such breedings most often are made over a coffee break in the kitchen or at a cocktail party. Little thought, if any, is given to heredity or to what purebred misfits will be produced. To quote a young woman: "Dogs are dogs. They are bred, puppies are born, and that's that." I wish it were just so simple. With this philosophy, and the action having been repeated countless thousands of times, it is no wonder that many purebred breeds are as they are now. The real wonder is why they aren't worse. But Mother Nature takes care of some of the mistakes, and veterinarians work on others.

Another group responsible for the deterioration of purebred dogs are the "puppy mill" operators. These people apparently are interested only in the almighty dollar and with the increased affluence of many families today, they are cashing in on the purebred dog market. Pedigreed dogs, with or without quality, yet registered as purebreds, are quantity bred and the offspring flood the pet stores. Some puppies survive the ordeals of transit, housing, feeding, and diseases and are bought by unsuspecting people. In one week of July this year (1972) I refused to approve a Golden Retriever, and English Water Spaniel, and a Dachshund, all because of congenital heart defects, when these newly purchased puppies were presented for health certification. All three puppies originated in the Midwest. Large breeders, small breeders and everyone interested in good purebred dogs should do whatever possible to correct current practices or to put these puppy mills out of business.

In my opinion, the American Kennel Club officials and judges have not done all they should to maintain or improve the quality of purebred dogs. Somehow, closer supervision should be given to dogs that are presented for registration. Greater emphasis should be placed on

disposition; and obvious culls should not be used for breeding. Judges should use their prerogative of casting out the entire class if none of the dogs are up to par. Some judges' attitudes should be questioned. One told me a few years ago that no hip dysplasia existed in Australia because there were no X-ray machines down there. Such foolishness!

Veterinarians and their organizations have not done all they should to prevent the purebred dog's deterioration. They have not convinced enough people to stop breeding certain purebreds with obvious hereditary defects. Instead, poor breeders are artificially inseminated or hormone treatments are given, or corrective surgery is performed without sterilization of the individual. Of course, no one can convince some people of the errors they make, nor can all irresponsible breeding be controlled. Some people believe all females are brought into this world to produce more of their kind. I disagree with this philosophy.

The present dog-owning public has many first dog members. These people, with a little more money, and living in a place where dog ownership is permitted, go to pet store outlets and buy something. Occasionally they get good specimens. More often they don't, mainly because they don't know a healthy puppy from one that is unhealthy, or a good type from a poor one. Yet, if a purebred certificate is shown, that is often enough to swing the sale. Then often the problems of mismatching dog to owner; - dog to home; - dog to neighborhood, etc. come to the surface. This mismatching of dog to family and neighborhood, coupled with irresponsible ownership by some people, resulted in enactment of a leash law in my town. Many people who controlled their dogs were "turned off" by the actions of others who truly either did not know or did not care about proper handling of the dog owned. Within the family, problems have risen so that it is not uncommon to have dog lovers say, "I'll never have another purebred dog." This is too bad: Apparently, in many cases, purebred dogs are destroying their own future market the first time around, simply because of the trouble they may cause. Together with legal and housing restrictions, does this present a good future outlook?

NOW, WHAT DO WE DO, AS PEOPLE DEEPLY INTERESTED IN DOGS, ABOUT THE FUTURE OF PUREBRED DOGS? Certainly, we must do a great deal, and we should have begun the work years ago. So many things need attention it is hard to rank them according to priority, which I shall not. But two items are obligatory: WE MUST WORK TOGETHER TOWARD THE COMMON GOAL AND WE MUST REALIZE MARKED IMPROVEMENT WILL NOT COME OVERNIGHT. Allow ten to twenty years, but if objectives can be reached earlier, then all the better.

May I respectfully suggest that: 1. All animals used for breeding be carefully evaluated for conformation to existing standards.

2. Particular emphasis be given to temperament, with elimination of overly aggressive or shy animals.

3. Competent examination for the presence of recognizable hereditary abnormalities be made of both parents and puppies; where found, affected animals should be castrated, spayed or euthanized.

4. Continued reevaluation of breed standards be made, with changes incorporated as needed.

5. The registration clubs or organizations study their objectives and implement changes or additions.

6. Additional educational materials be prepared and distributed

for improved overall knowledge about dogs.

7. Everyone support the efforts of so-called obedience classes.

8. Unified effort to control or eliminate unscrupulous breeders begin immediately.

9. All of us work together to reverse the existing trend toward poorer quality purebred dogs, and to provide the means to enhance purebred dog quality in future generations.

I have not mentioned defects of the toy breeds or of many other small dog breeds. These have numerous faults too, but are highly dependent on close human supervision for their existence. Time prevents discussion of these breeds today. However, let us include all purebred dogs in our thoughts when we resolve to reduce the physical suffering and mental anguish of future dogs, by carefully selecting breeding stock from now on. Only this will keep certain breeds off the "vanished species" list.



On April 16, Ura-Woofi de Grand Coeur, owned by Linda Wells Heller, took a 3 point major under judge Theodore E. Gundersen at the Liviona K.C. show. He is handled by Linda.

Chateaubriard Vermont owned by Susan Alexander is shown winning a three point major at Bucks Co. K.C. on May 5, under judge Mrs. Gunterman. He is handled here by Mr. Richard McMullen.



THE GOLDEN WEST NEWS AND VIEWS

A great show weekend in conjunction with the Beverly Hills Kennel Club summer show was kicked off on June 22 by a pre-show party for Briard owners and friends, hosted by BCA Director Jennie Meggitt and her husband, Dallas. Also helping with the hosting was Patti Curnow who had come down from Sacramento for the show. The Great California Heat Wave of 1973 (106° two days before) turned itself off for the occasion and California's famous outdoor patio hospitality was the order of the day. The party went well into the "wee hours" (fortunately the show was Sunday, not Saturday!) with discussions of Briards, Watergate and it seemed, everything else. The affair was enjoyed by all those who attended; thanks are due to the Meggitts and Patti Curnow for a fun evening.

On Saturday, the Annual BFSC Cocktail Party and Buffet Dinner was held at the Bowens, with the usual large turn out as expected. We owe our hosts Bob and Karen thanks for their time and effort to make this an enjoyable party. The guests came from as far north as San Francisco and as far south as San Diego. The atmosphere was warm and exciting, the pool inviting and there was the fragrance of the barbecue, with Dick Englehart on duty as volunteer cook. Don Normann prepared a potion of punch that had the tendency to "stand on end," but with delight. On another floor the music was appreciated by those who enjoyed dancing. Having adjusted to the strange antics of their owners all Briards present were quiet.

The tone grew serious only as it became late and thoughts came of the early hour show time, when everyone wisely elected to rest and prepare for the "Grand Show".

On Sunday, June 24, at the Beverly Hills summer show, judge Melborne T. Downing passed judgement on the 20 Briards that were shown from an entry of 23. The full show report follows and we can only add our congratulations to all for the big wins at the big show that topped off another BIG California weekend.

KENNEL CLUB OF BEVERLY HILLS, JUNE 24th B.F.S.C. Supported Entry

BRIARDS

Judge: MR. MELBOURNE T. L. DOWNING

BRIARDS. Puppy, Dogs, 6 months and under 9 months.

122 Jason D. Bloch. ZACHERY D'COLLINES AMICAL, WM-007,144. Nov. 7, 1972. By Morley (Northumberland)—Athena D'Collines Amical.

BRIARDS. Open, Dogs.

25 Caroll R. Ludwig. URI DE LA BASSE CORDE, WC-58,905. Oct. 1, 1971. Breeders, Mr. and Mrs. M. Carbonel. By Quycke De La Petite Suisse Du Nord—Sheila Du Val Du Multien.

14 Dallas and Jennie Meggitt. UHLAN DE GRAND COEUR, WB-976,-516. Mar. 22, 1971. Breeders, Barbara T. and Thomas B. McQuillan. By Ch. Ralph des Elfes de Malouse C.D.—Ch. Phoebe chez Phydean.

26 Rod Stutman. PUTNEY JAY DE BEAUXJOLIS, WC-298,850. May 29, 1972. Breeders, Nancy and Don Mandeville. By Phydeaux Quinaud—Ch. Cicely of Northumberland.

WINNERS DOG...14... Reserve...5... Points...3... Dogs...4...

BRIARDS. Puppy, Bitches, 6 months and under 9 months.

17 Sheila Rachtman and Don Watson. DAUKAR'S DANIELLE, WC-389,616. Nov. 7, 1972. Breeder, Jason D. Bloch. By Morley—Athena D'Collines Amical.

2 Jason David Bloch. ELEANOR D'COLLINES AMICAL, WM-007,144. Nov. 7, 1972. By Morley Northumberland—Athena D'Collines Amical.

BRIARDS. Puppy, Bitches, 9 months and under 12 months.

9 Carole A. Cruz. VIVANTE MONIQUE DES BERGERS, WC-360,544. Aug. 1, 1972. Breeders, Raymond P. and Myra E. Girouard. By Ch. Sire De La Briardiere—Ch. O'Tresor De Vasouy.

20 Roland A. Taub and Carolyn Erickson. LANDLYN'S VU FLEUR DES BERGERS, WC-338,973. Aug. 1, 1972. Breeders, Ray and Myra Girouard. By Ch. Sier de la Briardiere—Ch. O'Tresor de Vasouy.

BRIARDS. Bred by Exhibitor, Bitches.

25 Don Mandeville and Don Thompson. VALHALA DE BRIE DE BEAUXJOLIS, WC-402,218. May 29, 1972. Breeders, Nancy and Don Mandeville. By Phydeaux Quinaud—Ch. Cicely of Northumberland.

BRIARDS. American Bred, Bitches.

24 Jason David Bloch. ATHENA D'AMICAL COLLINES, WC-285,436. May 16, 1970. Breeder, Owner. By Ch. Prince Valiant De Marha—Empress Eugenie D'Agincourt.

BRIARDS. Open, Bitches.

6 Caroll R. Ludwig. VANY D'EL PASTRE, WC-412,555. Nov. 24, 1972. Breeder, Jacky Molinier. By Urbino—Ulla D'el Pastre.

8 Todd R. Olson and L. Kimberly Olson. VIN ROSE DE LA TULIPPE, WB-650,238. May 15, 1970. Breeder, Paul Rosner. By Sampson D'Agincourt—Berry Brows Nina.

10 Peter and Dianne Gilbody. VIOLA D'EL PASTRE, LOF 11374 (France). Nov. 24, 1972. Breeder, Jacky Molinier. By Urbino—Ulla D'el Pastre.

11 Donavon and Margaret Thompson. PA-CHICK'S UPSIE DAISY, WB-979,863. Sept. 13, 1971. Breeders, Chas. and Patricia A. Long. By Ch. Ralph des Elfes de Malouse C.D.—Ch. Pa'Chick's Rebecca.

12 Karen and R. J. Bowen. ROBINEE DE BEAUXJOLIS, WC-313,864. May 29, 1972. Breeders, Nancy and Don Mandeville. By Ch. Phydeaux Quinaud—Ch. Cicely of Northumberland.

21 Paula J. Inman. VIDA DES POTTERIES, WC-419,304. June 6, 1972. By Rabath des Potteries—Rouska des Sources du Peyroux.

WINNERS BITCH 24 **Reserve** 20 **Points** 5 **Bitches** 9

BRIARDS. Best of Breed Competition.

7 L. Kimberly Olson and Todd R. Olson. VERY TOULOUSE SIRAUDIN, WC-243,498. May 7, 1972. Breeder, Nancy Latulippe. By Sabot from Shiel—Vin Rose de la Tulippe. Dog.

15 Ken and Pat Van Fleet. VON'S MAGDALENE DU BEAUXJOLIS, WC-190,306. May 29, 1972. Breeders, Nancy and Don Mandeville. By Phydeaux Quinaud—Ch. Cicely of Northumberland. Bitch.

16 Lee Erickson. CH. ESAU F. DE SAINT CHERMAIN, WB-467,515. Oct. 2, 1969. Breeder, Carolyn Erickson. By Ch. Prince Valiant de Marha—Anastasia d' Agincourt. Dog.

18 Steve and Paul Marks and Carolyn Erickson. UGOLIN DES JOYEUX LUTINS DE LA SEAUVUE, WC-48,055. July 31, 1971. Breeder, Jean Legrand. By Pyrrhus Du Haras de Saint Gatien—Popeline de la Bardouillere. Dog.

27 Patricia Anufrom. PHYDEAUX QUINAUD, WA-981,780. Aug. 17, 1967. Breeder, Mary Lou Tingley. By Ch. Ike De Vasovy—Ch. Nanie De La Haute Tour. Dog.

28 Don and Nancy Mandeville. MANDEVILLES O.J. BRITT, WC-133,845. Nov. 2, 1971. Breeder, Paul Rosner. By Morley—Berry Brows Nina. Bitch.

29 Nancy L. and Don Mandeville. CH. CICELY OF NORTHUMBERLAND, WB-597,936. May 15, 1970. Breeder, Paul Rosner. By Sampson D'Agincourt—Berry Brows Nina. Bitch.

Best Briard 28 **Best of Winners** 24 **Best of Opposite Sex** 16

BRIARDS. Brood, Bitches.

1 (24) Jason David Bloch. ATHENA D'COLLINES AMICAL.

PAUL MARKS RECEIVES B.F.S.C. AWARD. The Briard Fanciers of Southern California presents an annual Extraordinary Service Award. This year it was presented to Paul Marks for generous and unselfish support of all Briard activities in southern California.

FOUR NEW CHAMPIONS CROWNED IN ONE CALIFORNIA WEEKEND! Two days of showing proved lucky for four different Briards:

Ken and Pat Van Fleet's CH. VAN'S MAGDALENE DU BEAUXJOLIS (Maggie) became a champion at Cabrillo KC in San Marcos on May 19th and went on to take BOB. Maggie was shown only in puppy classes.

CH. UGOLIN DES JOYEUX LUTINS DE LA SEAUVUE (Ooogie), co-owned by Paul Marks and Carolyn Erickson, finished his championship the same day at Cabrillo KC and took BOS.

On Sunday, May 20th at Del Sur KC, Paddy Anufrom's CH. PHYDEAUX QUINAUD (Nocey) was judged BW and BOB to finish his championship.

CH. MAN DE VILLE'S O.J. BRITT (Janie), owned by Don and Nancy Mandeville was awarded WB and BOS at Del Sur for a major win and her championship, thus completing a fantastic weekend.

Congratulations to all!!!

Please forward all area news items to: Don Mandeville, 4840 Corbin Ave. Tarzana, California 91356.

THE NORTHERN CALIFORNIA SCENE....

WHY AREN'T THE NEIGHBORS COMPLAINING? It simply must have been the fact that they had been admiring the bevy of Bries on hand for the Carmel Cocktail party at the supported entry show of the Briard Fanciers of Northern California.

Our hostess, Mrs. James J. Cordano, graciously offered her ocean-front home in Carmel for the event and her daughter, Mrs. C.W. Curnow (Patti) served as co-hostess. The party was billed as a 6 to 8 social hour but somehow it reached third gear about 7:30 and didn't downshift until after midnite.

Visiting for the good time were Southern Californians Don and Nancy Mandeville, Dick and Karin Bowen, Dallas and Jennie Meggitt and Ken and Pat Van Fleet, not to mention a substantial entry of Briards. Also entertained were the Barry Browns of Minnesota and several prospective Briarders from Northern California.

No one could have asked for a more beautiful setting -- beaches, sun, temperatures in the mid 70s and of course the old-world charm of the Carmel Valley and the Monterey Peninsula. Swedish meatballs, smoked oysters, hams, cheeses, along with a variety of other snack items kept stomachs full and of course the liquid refreshments were as abundant

as the food.

The evening ended with a moonlight hike on the beach with Briards providing the horsepower for those who felt walking was too difficult. At Del Monte Kennel Club on the beautiful 17 mile drive with an entry of 1-7-3 under judge Denis J. Grivas the results were:

The specials from Northern California topped the ring call off as Ch. Very Toulouse Siraudin owned by Todd and Kim Olson captured his first Best of Breed as a special. Best of Opposite Sex went to Bill and Yvonne Wright's Ch. Sateen d'Haute Couture.

On the rebound from a successful Mexican tour, Uhlan de Grand Coeur owned by Dallas and Jennie Meggitt stepped into the ring and walked out with Winners Dog and Best of Winners for a 5 point major! What a way to start as he instructed all other dogs in the area on how to properly handle an owner. Nice job of handling award goes to Dallas who proved that being out of the ring for a long time did not affect his ability.

Winners Bitch for 5 points went to my Valhala de Brie de Beauxjolis, from the Novice Class. Handled by her breeder, Don Mandeville, while I handled our Pa'Chick's Upsie Daisy to Reserve Winners Bitch from the Open Class.

Don and Nancy Mandeville brought their Ch. Cicely of Northumberland along as a brood bitch, and no one doubts the first she earned, since this recent Beauxjolis litter has done so much winning so early. Congratulations!

As everyone departed, only one thought prevailed - a repeat of a very happy get-together next year, renewing old friendships and forming new ones.

Ch. Very Toulouse Siraudin owned by Todd and Kim Olson has been proving what everyone has said about this fantastic black male. Now barely a year old, he has taken two BOBs as a special. Todd handled him at the Del Monte Show and Kim handled at Contra Costa KC under judge Larry Downey. Todd is now in Africa completing his education. He will be there for several months before going on to Europe and England. He's promised to send us regular reports on the European and English Briards.

My wife, Maggie, is presently working with our "Big Tooth", Pa'Chick's Ulyssa de Bretton, in obedience. They're both surprising each other, however, the class requires more current immunization records than I had so one Saturday morning "Big Tooth" and I went to the Vet's office and took our place in line. While waiting, a very old man walked over to us and started talking very excitedly in French, pointing to Big Tooth all the time. When I finally got through to him that I couldn't understand French, he explained in English that he came to this country from France when he was 28. He had been a shepherd and had owned a Briard. He was shocked to see Big Tooth since he thought that the breed had been killed off during the war. He told me of the value they had placed on the working Briard and began telling me of some of the training methods they had used. He took my name, address and phone just as I was called for my turn and when I came out he was gone. I think it is a credit to our breeding programs in this country that after 50+ years, this man could still recognize without a doubt that this was a Briard. I presently trying to locate him to do an article about his

life for the Dew Claw.

LOOK AT THE LABEL!!! The State of California has recently given a sizable grant to the University of California - Davis for putting the finishing touches on their anti-conception dog food additive. This formula should go into most brands in November for retail sale. I'm not sure whether this is for national distribution but watch your purchases in the super market.

At the Redwood Empire KC in May under judge Kurt Mueller with an entry of 2-2-0, Urs Noir du Marin owned by Jack and Judy Basinger of Novato went Winners Dog, and Best of Breed. Winners Bitch and BOS went to Vin Rose de la Tulippe owned by Todd and Kim Olson.

Pa'Chick's Upsie Daisy, our tawny bitch picked up one point as WB at the Contra Costa KC Show under judge Larry Downey.

Showing her usual good consistency, Bill and Katrina Wright's black beauty, Ch. Sateen d'Haute Couture captured BOS at the Contra Costa K.C. show under judge Downey. This is one of the most beautiful blacks I have ever seen - the Boelters should be very proud of this breeding.

If you have any news in my area, please write or phone: 2858 Inman Ave. Stockton, California 95204. Phone: 209/ 462-8045.

Don Thompson

THE HARD WAY TO GROW A GRAY OVERLAY

BY PATTI CURNOW

During a recent morning of togetherness, I became aware that my five month old tawny love, Holly (Chateaubriard Vogue), had developed a large lump on her rear left side between her back and hip bones. It seemed to have appeared overnight.

Our vet diagnosed the lump as a large cyst that should be watched. My husband Bill, and Holly's breeder, Cece Collins, agreed that it should be looked into further. I was left with the awesome job of deciding by whom and where. After a few hours of frantic pondering, the answer came.

I had just spent four years working as a volunteer at the Sacramento Medical Center, which is the teaching hospital for the University of California at Davis, just seventeen miles away. Through a co-worker and wife of one of the doctors, I was put in touch with the Dean of the Veterinary School, who in turn recommended one of his top surgeons, Dr. Gourley. He diagnosed the lump as a tumor, not a cyst, and with no case history to indicate any cause, surgery was definitely indicated.

At 8:30 a.m. on the appointed morning, Holly and I returned to the beautiful two story, modern facility, and climbed the stairs to the admittance office. Forms were signed and soon an attendant arrived to place a hospital I.D. collar around Holly's neck. As she pressed closer and closer against me, I could feel my well intended courage quickly dissolving. With an exchange of leads, my unsuspecting puppy was led from the room. Holly's big trusting brown eyes never left me for a moment. They clung to me all the way down the hall as she watched over her shoulder until she vanished behind the surgery doors.

That did it! My determined composure came completely unglued.

With tears streaming down my cheeks, I left the hospital to wait out the surgery. The next two hours dragged by mercilessly. When 10:30 finally arrived, I dashed unceremoniously, 2 stairs at a time, to the waiting room where Dr. Gourley was standing in full scrub-dress waiting for me.

The surgery had been successful -- Holly was doing well -- the lab results on the tumor would be available in about five days and Holly could probably come home in two or three days. My already dented composure was about to buckle again, this time from relief, so before I could make a complete idiot of myself, I thanked the doctor, who promised to keep me informed, and made a hasty retreat to the parking lot and a box of Kleenex.

The recuperative powers of the young are to be greatly admired. The next afternoon, I received a call from the hospital, and what I thought was going to be the voice of doom, turned out to be the joyous news that Holly was doing so well we could bring her home that very day. I don't know in what condition I was expecting to find her, but it most certainly was not the tawny ball of TNT that came charging around the corner of the discharge office -- jumped into my arms and covered me with kisses. Bill was receiving his share of an equally enthusiastic reception, when Dr. Gourley entered to give us our instructions for Holly's care. I don't know where any puppy of ours ever learned so many four letter doggie words, but she used every one of them to tell the doctor her exact opinion of her stay in his establishment. Having shocked her owners and amused the doctor, she turned tail and stomped off down the hall in a rude, outraged huff!

How lucky we were to have such a marvelous facility as UC-Davis so close at hand. I can't begin to find the proper words to describe the efficiency and courtesy of the staff. As for Dr. Gourley, well he has that very rare quality seldom seen in any medical field; that of making you feel that you are his only concern.

The important message behind my shaggy dog soap is this: The lab results showed the tumor to be a non-malignant granuloma and the probable site of an old injection. It is not uncommon to have this occur in about 1 out of every 100 dogs injected.

Had I been able to firmly state that this area had been the site of an injection, the surgery would not have been necessary, and the tumor would have more than likely dissolved on its own.

Do you know the exact location where your dog has received past injections? Could you answer with certainty if you should be asked? You vet can't be expected to remember, but you can.

After that experience, you can bet your next trophy that in the future, I shall be able to pinpoint such an area within two hair follicles. Had I only known the importance of keeping track of something like this, I could have saved Holly the pain of major surgery and myself a whole crop of unwanted grey hairs.

Since I'm lucky enough to close my story with a happy ending, I can afford to be philisophical about those grey hairs. I have always known that if raising teenage children didn't get me, something else would.

So now, Holly and I have gained another form of togetherness, for now we can both be described as tawny, with a grey overlay!

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IN THE SPOTLIGHT....

CHARLES GATES

Chuck Gates was born in Pittsburgh, Pa. and attended grade and high school there. He graduated from Bethany College in 1953 and then served as Captain in the U.S. Marine Corps in Korea and Japan for two years.

Chuck met his wife, Barbara in college and they were married in 1957. They have three children: Jeff, 14; Gary, 12; and Patty, 8. They moved to Cleveland, Ohio in 1959 and Chuck is now President of the Ohio Building Products, Inc.

The family became interested in Briards in the summer of 1970 after they lost their Collie. They went to the Chagrin Valley Dog Show to let the children pick out any dog they wanted. While Chuck and Barbara were looking at the Irish Setters, the three children came back to say they had found what they wanted. They had seen Micky and Marc, owned by Phil and Janice McNelis, who were showing that day. The family spent the rest of the day with Jan and Phil talking about Briards and by the end of the day, they had made up their minds that the next addition to the family would be a Briard. Little did they know that the dogs they were playing with would turn out to be the grandfather and uncle of their soon to be puppy.

The next problem was to find a puppy. Jan and Phil McNelis told them that I was expecting a litter in a few days and after talking with me, they pruchased their new addition. Six weeks later they made the trip to Michigan to pick up Tassie.

From this time on, they have been avid Briard owners, going through the same enjoyments and problems as all Briard owners. First they had to get the ears up and then keep the dog down. They put

Tassie through obedience school and a friend who writes the dog column for the Cleveland paper encouraged them to try showing. After the first show, they realized the amount of fun and friendship that can come from these competitions. They also have had some ups and downs but as Chuck said, "I doubt if any owner will get as much pleasure from finishing a dog as I did." Showing is a family affair as it should be. Now they have that final point with Tassie, and hope to start again with another mound of mischief.

by Pat Long



MID-WEST BRIARD WEEKEND

June is the big month in Minnesota. On June 9th, Wayzata held its nineteenth all breed show and the Briard turn out was an amazing twelve! This was the biggest entry ever with a 5 point major for dogs and one point in bitches. Entries were from Illinois, Wisconsin and Minnesota with everyone enjoying the shows, the good food and that great companionship you find among Briarders.

On Saturday, under judge Mrs. Virginia Hampton, Bob and Sharon Boelter's Amos (Ch. Soliel d'Or de Marha) took Best of Breed honors. The Zingsheim's Underdog (Underdog Berger du Nord) took Winners Dog and Best of Winners for 5 points and Ellie Peters' Sheba (Ursula Berger du Nord) took Winners Bitch and Best of Opposite Sex for her first point. The Zingsheim's Syre du Val de Reuil was Reserve Winners Dog and Unique Magic du Nord belonging to Laurie and Gerry Miner took Reserve Winners Bitch.

After the show, Phil and Jan Zingsheim had an open house for all Briards and their masters. What a sight! Fifteen dogs running free in the fenced yard and twenty-seven humans watched them play.

The food was spectacular and made a happy highlight to the day. The Zingsheims had made a nine foot long loaf of French bread and filled it with different meats and cheeses. No one rested until they finished it together with mounds of potatoe salad, bean salad, deviled eggs and plenty of good friendly conversation. The meal was topped off by a beautiful cake that was (naturally) a Briard motif.

The St. Paul show on Sunday, under judge Mrs. Helen Miller Fisher, topped off the great weekend for Briards. Underdog Berger du Nord finished his championship with his third major and then went up over two specials for BOB. Ellie Peters' Ursula Berger du Nord again took WB for one point and went on to BOS. Reserve honors went to Valtaire de Rougues de Brie owned by Valorie Eigenrauch and the Miner's Unique Magic du Nord.

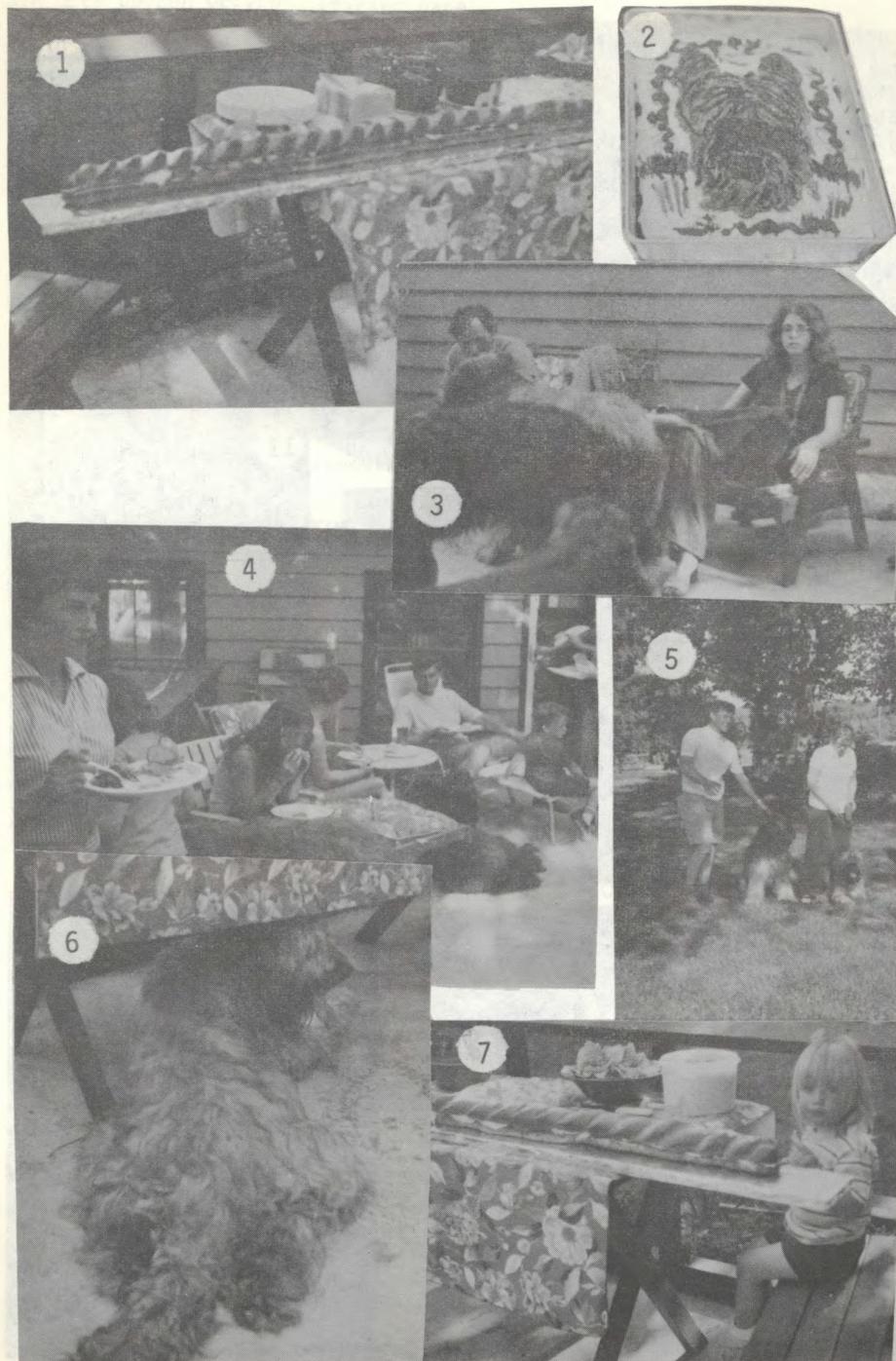
To make the day perfect, Dick and Mimi Long's daughter Ann, took a first in her Junior Showmanship class and then Laurie and Gerry Miner's Maggie (Unique Magic du Nord) completed her C.D. obedience degree with a score of 191½.

Congratulations to all and thanks to everyone for making June 9 and 10 a great weekend.

Photos - facing page

1. One half of that nine foot sandwich
2. Briard cake
3. Bob and Sharon Boelter with assorted dogs
4. Mimi Long, Ann Long, Gerry Miner, Dick and Christopher Long
5. Dick Long and Val Eigenrauch with Underdog Berger du Nord and Valtaire de Rougues de Brie.
6. Flogan Viscount de Braewild (Pete)
7. Gina Zingsheim with the other half of that nine foot sandwich.

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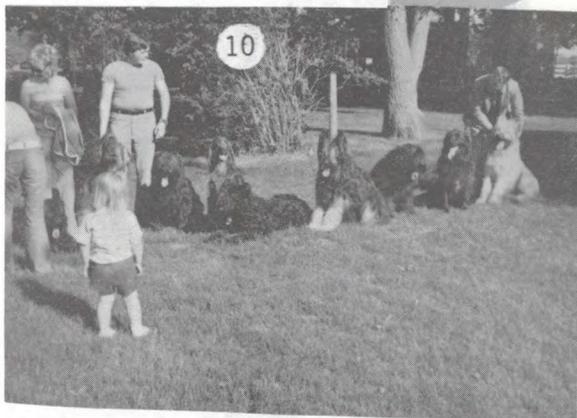




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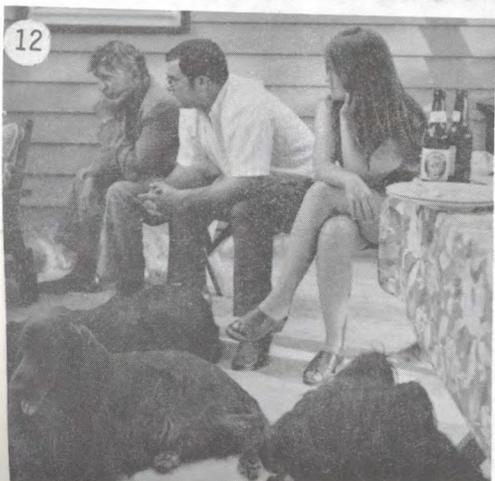
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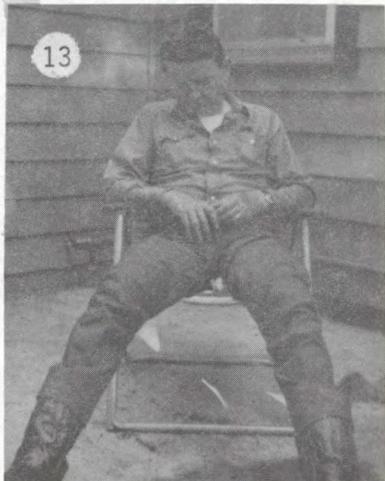
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MID-WEST BRIARD WEEKEND (facing page)

Photo 8 - Underdog Berger du Nord (and friend) looking for shade.

9 - L. to R., Laurie Miner, Unique Magic du Nord, Dick and Mimi Long.

10 - Ellie Peters, Bob Boelter and Dan Murphy set up the dogs: Ch. Quintana de Marha (Pansy), Ch. Soleil d'Or de Marha (Amos); Ch. Rochelle de Marha, C.D.X. (Angel); Gypsy an Irish Setter; Syre du Val de Reuil; Ch. Teddy du Lac de Bethmale, C.D.X.; Unique Magic du Nord (Maggie); Velvet a Newfoundland; Flogan Viscount de Braewild (Pete). Gina Zingsheim is in the foreground.

11 - Val Eigenrauch and Earl Peters with Valtaire de Rogues de Brie.

12 - Dan Murphy, Dick Capra and Kathy Capra.

13 - The end of the day - Earl Peters.

NEWS AND VIEWS FROM THE MID-WEST

New Champions ---

Ultra Velu Chez Phydeau owned by Barbara Ruby and Nancie Lewis finished her championship on May 20th at Oakland County K. C. by going WB & BOS under Roy L. Ayers Sr. Amber was beautifully handled by Kathy Ruby. Kathy received a 3rd in junior handling at Lima on May 5th and a 2nd at Ingham on May 19th. She then went on to pick up a BOB with Amber at Monroe K. C. on June 23rd under Nelson Radcliff, there was an entry of 10 Briards. Congratulations again to Kathy and Amber.

Pa'Chick's Tassie owned and handled by Chuck Gates finished her championship at Rubber City K. C. on June 10th under Rutledge Gilliland by going WB & BOB. This combination of man and dog should be an inspiration to us all. They entered their first show together, and went all the way.

C.D.X. ---

Jerry and Stephany Katz recently finished their CDX on G'veret Kahlbah de Strathcona. Her first leg was at Detroit K. C. on March 11th under Richard Christ she tied for 4th place with a score of 192, lost the run off and placed 5th, from a class of 30. Nothing to sneeze at!! Her second leg was at Progressive Dog Club of Wayne County on April 28th with a score of 195½ under Margaret Meminger. Kahlba then went to Oakland County K. C. on May 20th, under George Fugh she received her 3rd leg and a 4th in the class of 28 with a score of 194½. Congratulations to Jerry and Stephany for a job well done.

News and Views of the Mid-West, continued

Puppies ---

Bill and Joyce Awodey are expecting a litter in mid-July by their Ch. Alcides Chez Chien Velu, and out of Ulla Hoop de la Petite Suisse du Nord.

A recent trip to Wisconsin for Bruce & Barb McQuillan meant a new puppy for Bob & Sharon Boelter. "Vicky" a black bitch will now make her home with the Boelters & "Amos" & "Pansy". Watch for her in the show ring!

Barb was recently informed that one of her Sally & Marc puppies (Tula owned by Janet Daniles of Wisconsin) recently picked up her first point at Chain O-Lakes K. C. Tula has also been making the round at matches - picking up several group placements and 2 Best Puppy in Match.

Show Wins ---

Lima K.C. on May 5th. Judge Mr. Dale McMackin. Entry 2-3-1 BOB - Am & Can Ch. Pa'Chick's Tawny T. owned by Frances Volkman. WD, BW & BOS for 2 points went to Teed D'el Pastre owned by Jane Bruner. WB for 2 points went to Ultra Velu Chez Phydeau.

Oakland County K. C. on May 20th. Judge Roy L. Ayers Sr. Entry 5-4-2. BOB Ch. Umbi Chabiv de Strathcona owned by Jerry & Stephany Katz. WB & BOS for 1 point went to Ultra Velu Chez Phydeau. WD & BW went to Uvchor Kelev de Strathcona, a 4 point major, owned by Raymond Katz.

Ann Arbor K. C. Inc. on June 3rd. Judge Haskell Schuffman. Entry 1-2-2. BOB Umbi. BOS Tawny. WD & BW for 1 point Unchor. WB for 1 point Vive la Nicole de Beauxjolis owned by Betty Rumpf & Linda Wells Heller.

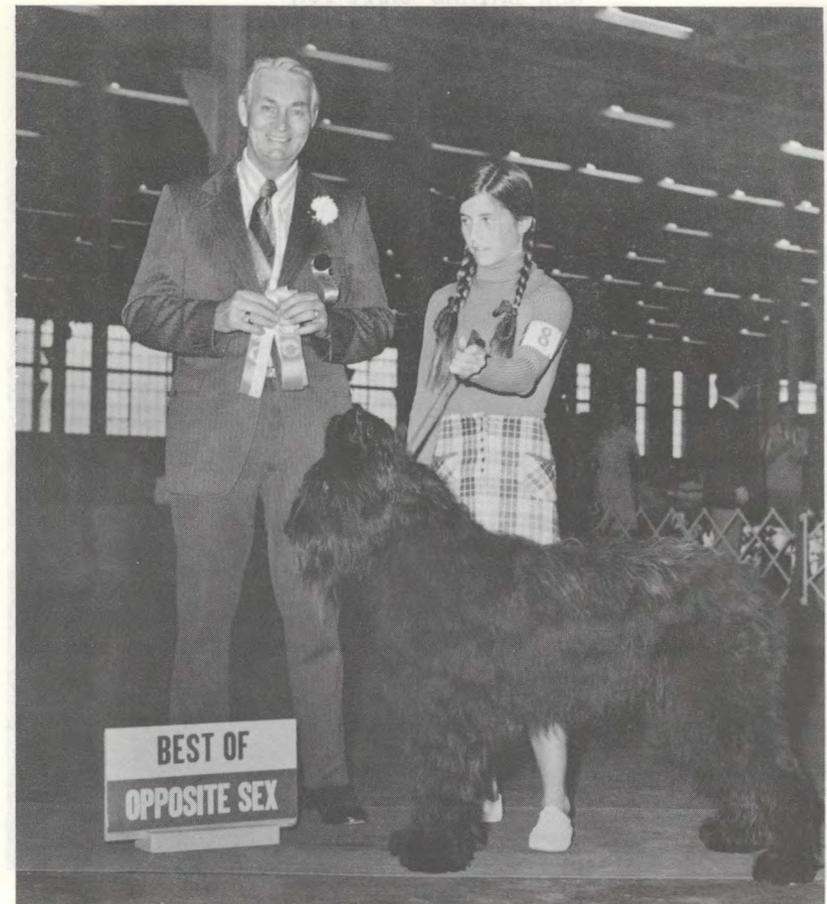
Monroe K. C. on June 23. Judge Nelson Radcliff. Entry 3/4/3. BOB Ultra Velu. BOS Umbi. WB & BW for 3 points Vive. WD for 2 points Ura-Woofi de Grand Coeur owned by Linda Wells Heller.

Forest City K. C. on May 12th. Judge James Taylor. Entry 1-2-1. BOB Tawny. WD, BW & BOS for 1 point went to Va-Nu-Pieds de Charlemagne owned by Joel Cohen. WB for 1 point went to Pa'Chick's Unchained Melody owned by Charles & Pat Long.

Forest City K. C. on May 13th. Judge L. E. Piper. Entry 1-2-0. WB, BW & BOB for 1 point went to Melody. WD & BOS for 1 point went to Va-Nu-Pieds. The Forest City shows are in Ontario Canada.

Pat Long

NEW BRIARD CHAMPION



CHAMPION ULTRA VELU CHEZ PHYDEAU (bitch)

Owners: Barbara Ruby and Nancy Lewis - Breeder: Mary Lou Tingley

Championship: May 20, 1973

Sire: Ch. Pa' Chick's Rebel Deux Dam: Ch. Nanie de la Haute Tour

(Ch. Proud Rebel de Marha
X Pa'Chick's Esmarelda)

(Harry du Terroir X
Iadine de Maugrevent)

Judge: Roy Ayres

Handler: Kathy Ruby

NEW BRIARD CHAMPION



CHAMPION MAN DE VILLES O.J. BRITT (bitch)

Owners: Don & Nancy Mandeville

Breeder: Paul Rosner

Championship: May 20, 1973

Sire: Morley

Dam: Berry Brows Nina

(Sampson d'Agincourt
X Berry Brows Nina)

(Pierre of Ballinaboy
X Marie of Ballinaboy)

Judge: D. Renihan

Handled by owner

NEW BRIARD CHAMPION



CHAMPION PHYDEAUX QUINAUD (dog)

Owner: Patricia Anufrom

Breeder: Mary Lou Tingley

Championship: May 20, 1973

Sire: Ch. Ike de Vasouy

Dam: Ch. Nanie de la Haute Tour

(Diego du Pont d'Attila
X Hilda de Vasouy)

(Harry du Terroir X
Iadine de Maugrevent)

Judge: D. Renihan

Handler: Ken Van Fleet

NEW BRIARD CHAMPION



CHAMPION PA' CHICK'S TASSIE (bitch)

Owner: Charles R. Gates

Breeder: Charles & Patricia Long

Championship: June 10, 1973

Sire: Ch. Ralph des Elfes
de Malouse, C.D.

Dam: Ch. Pa'Chick's Rebecca

(Odon-Desire des Elfes
de Malouse X Maia-Mopti
des Elfes de Malouse)

(Ch. Proud Rebel de Marha
X Pa'Chick's Esmarelda)

Judge: Rutledge Gilliland

Handled by owner

NEW BRIARD CHAMPION



CHAMPION TEED D'EL PASTRE (dog)

Owner: Mrs. Robert W. Bruner

Breeder: Monsieur Jack Molinier

Championship: May 12, 1973

Sire: Quycke de la Petite
Suisse du Nord

Dam: Quatie d'el Pastre

(Moustache de la Petite
Suisse du Nord X Ninon
de la Haute Tour)

(Oural de la Chevrerie
X Nina d'el Pastre)

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NEW BRIARD CHAMPION
AND
COMPANION DOG



CHAMPION VERY TOULOUSE SIRAUDIN, C.D. (dog)

Owners: L. Kimberly Olson & Breeder: Nancy A. LaTulippe
Todd R. Olson

Conformation Championship: May 5, 1973

C.D. Obedience Degree: April 15, 1973

Sire: Sabot from Shiel Dam: Vin Rose de la Tulippe

(Deepwood Black Rod
X Shiel's la Rieve
of Balinaboy)

(Sampson d'Agincourt
X Berry Brow's Nina)

Judge: A. Peter Knoop Handled by owner

COMMENT ON... *Sportsmanship*

BY GARY A. WILSON

From *Pure-Bred Dogs American Kennel Gazette*

Each of us would agree that showing our dogs is one of the most enjoyable, gratifying, and sometimes frustrating of hobbies. I have sometimes heard people refer to the showing of dogs in the conformation ring, obedience ring, or in the field as a sport, and perhaps to our dogs it is a great sport. But, I wonder if it will ever be a sport. With a true sport goes the thrill of competition, the pride of winning, and often the sadness and disappointment of defeat. A true sport requires its participants to have a sportsmanlike attitude towards officials, fellow sportsman, and the sport itself. Webster defines a sportsman as one who abides by a code of fair play in games or in daily practice; and sportsmanship as honorable or sportsmanlike conduct.

The next time you watch a track meet, a swimming meet, a boxing match or a ski slalom race on television, notice the reaction of the losers toward the winner. You will find that everyone rushes to congratulate him, shake his hand, or pound him on the back sharing in and adding to the happiness he feels. Before the starting gun went off every competitor wanted to win, during the race they tried with all their strength and ability to finish first. When they lost there was a momentary disappointment and sadness, but this was quickly forgotten or hidden as they hurried to praise the winner. I have been going to dog shows for some time and because of the attitude of some exhibitors in the conformation ring, I am rather doubtful that our wonderful hobby will ever become a sport unless we as competitors become sportsmanlike in our winning and losing manners. I have seen handlers after losing throw their armbands down in the ring, jerk their dogs from the ring (as if it was his fault), swear at the judge, and stalk out of sight without even saying a simple "Congratulations" to the winner. Some poor losers have even gone so far as to stand at ringside hurling verbal abuse and remarks at the judge, commenting on his poor judging, eyesight, qualifications, etc. Can this person be having fun with his hobby? Would you call him a sportsman? Who is he hurting when he behaves this way?

If it were only his reputation among dog people, if he were the only one laughed at, and if it were only his dog whose chances in future shows was ruined, his behavior might be best ignored. But one poor sport affects not only himself but his breed, the Club he belongs to, his associates, his friends, and his fellow handlers. Imagine the bad impression he makes on someone new to dogs and shows, perhaps an impression so bad the newcomer may not return.

When was the last time you congratulated the winner in your class and the winner of best of breed? Anyone can be a good winner but it takes a special kind of person with the courage and sportsmanship to be a good loser and rush to genuinely congratulate the winner and pat his dog on the head for a job well done. Try it next time you show and you will be surprised how much better you feel when you head for home at the end of the day. Why not show the same sportsmanlike attitude toward the winner of the day as you would like to receive when you win? If more of us would behave this way, maybe, just maybe, we would have a sport as well as a hobby on our hands.

EAST SIDE STORY

THREE NEW CHAMPIONS!

CHATEAUBRIARD VULCAN, owned by Don and Jane Mathews, was handled by Vic Capone at Queensboro, May 28, when he went WD & EW for 3 points to finish. Jacques, a tawny male out of Cece and Ken Collins's Ch. Pythias Chez Phydeau and Ch. Phydeaux Theda Bara, was handled most frequently by D. Roy Holloway on his way to winning his championship 4½ months after his first birthday. Carl May judged.

JANUS DE LA VILLE JUMEAUX picked up his final point June 3 at Framingham when he was BOB under judge Langdon Skarda. Owned and handled by June Shew, this tawny 3½-year-old son of the famous Atlas (Janus des Elfes de Malouse) and Quesaba de Marha was bred by Pat Maki.

CHATEAUBRIARD VERMOUTH, owned by John and Susan Alexander, was handled by Dick McMillan to his third major (4 points) and BOB when he finished under Dr. Richard F. Greathouse at Bryn Mawr on June 16. A tawny litter-mate to Jacques, Homer was also bred by the Collinses.

Hearty congratulations to all! And to the several Briards close enough to win their championships within a week or two of this writing.

HIS THIRD BEST IN MATCH! Sunday, June 3, Janet Slover handled Dez (V.S.O.P. Bouffon de Brie) to his third Best in Match (the first was January 28--see April Dew Claw--the second, the May 26 BCA match reported below), this time over 532 dogs. The match was held by the Sussex Hills K.C. Ted Syder judged the breed, and George Wanner gave Dez his big win. Janet is only 14 years old. It's quite an accomplishment for such a young handler to take an inexperienced dog that far. Janet, you and Dez deserve our applause! Dez is the tawny son of Ch. Phydeaux Tabac Blond and Kilo des Coteaux and is owned by the Tingleys and Janet.

Jayne Dubin and Bellesprit Vanille have equally exciting news. On May 12, at 5½ months old, Vanilla was selected for a Group Third at the Tuxedo Park match, Charles Cook judging breed and group. Not long after, on June 3, Jayne showed him to Group First at the Rockland County match. Frank D'Amico judged the breed and singled out Vanilla for the group win. An impressive start for this black pup out of Ch. Phydeaux Tallulah and Ch. Pa' Chick's Rebel Deux.

Cece and Ken Collins's Chateaubriard Vichyssoise continues to build on her excellent match record. This flashy bitch took a Group Second at the Longshore-Southport match, May 3, under Murial Sonnichsen, with Cece handling to bring the match record to three honors in group and one Best in Match. Ken handled Hilda at shows recently, and from the way things are going, it looks as though she'll be a youthful champion (see show reports below).

We've had pretty ghastly weather for showing in the East recently. My Duffel (Ch. Phydeaux Tabac Blond) was back in the ring for the first time after his bloat operation the weekend of June 8-10 in scorching heat and a thunder storm that set the tents roaring. He picked up three BOB ribbons and showed better than ever, which was an enormous

relief as you can imagine. Duffel was handled by Fred Olson, who took Atlas for Pat Maki in the sixties. During the bad storm in the group ring, a tent pole uprooted and hit judge James Trullinger in the back as he was evaluating Duffel. Jane Mathews vividly describes a similar day when Jacques finished: ". . . a nightmare--pouring rain! Just as the open dogs got into the ring, a gust of wind blew off the judge's hat, which went into the area where the dogs were being set up. The awning of the tent was flapping wildly, the ring blew over and the dogs--at least Homer and Jacques--spooked, cried and trembled so the handlers could hardly get them set up. Then a whole stack of folding wooden chairs collapsed! In spite of everything, Jacques won, but given the deluge there was no picture of his finishing."

Jerry Cohen was out of the country during some of the worst weather. At a conference in Munich he presented a paper on "The Revolution in Atlantic Economic Relations," which was so well received that it was covered by the papers and television alike. Another BCA celebrity! From Munich, he went to Israel to visit his brother and sister-in-law, and apparently these were two weeks of more than welcome unwinding. Jerry will be back in the ring this summer with Meatball (Chateaubriard Very Rare), who had 11 points at the end of June.

Katie and Harold Yager of North Carolina showed Bear (Chateaubriard Viva la France) for the first time, unfortunately without competition, on May 20 in Wilmington, Delaware. At 6½ months old, Bear was 25½" tall. His litter-mate Harvey, now owned by Dr. and Mrs. Sperandeos on Long Island, was measured at 26" at the same age. And at that time, Barney of the same litter weighed in at 70 pounds. If you've been wondering how fast a Briard grows, my new puppy bitch hit 20 pounds and 15¼" at 12 weeks. Duffel two months after his bloat operation had only reached 68 pounds, standing 26" tall, having passed his third birthday by three months.

My puppy is Phydeaux Interlude, called Flannel. She is out of Ch. Phydeaux Quoin de Cuivre (String) and Phydeaux Usheba des Bergers (Sheba). Tracy Best also has a puppy from this litter, Phydeaux Ironsides, a tawny male. Bill and Alice Kent, from whom the Tingleys bought their first Briard, have made it full circle by taking Phydeaux Incognito, a black male. My Flannel looks like a true fauve charbonne, but it's hard to say exactly how her color will clear.

The Briard Club official match was held on May 26 at the Collinses' house in Darien, Connecticut. Rain held off just long enough for ring competition and picnicking under gray skies. The Collinses generously provided trash cans full of iced soft drinks and beer, and their hospitality along with the lovely woody setting leaves us all with happy memories. There were 23 Briards present with assorted owners and friends. People came from as far as Maine and North Carolina, a gratifying turn-out for judge Elsworth Howell, who among his credits judged Best in Show at Westminster in 1972. To me, the most gratifying result of holding the match was that we had together Briards from as young as 7 weeks to as old as 6½ years, show owners and pet owners and prospective owners, junior handlers, novices and some near professionals, even a parade of champions, and all this provided a rich feeling of the strength and variety of the membership of the BCA, our rewarding differences and our common love of Briards. A match is in

some respects a better sampling of the club as a whole than is even the Specialty when competition is keenest. This spring's match just tasted like more, as we used to say about peanuts and ice cream.

A summary of the match results: Best in Match: V.S.O.P. Bouffon de Brie, owned by Mary Lou Tingley and Janet Slover, 11-month-old tawny male; Best of Opposite Sex: Chateaubriard Vichyssoise, owned by Cece and Ken Collins, 7-month-old tawny bitch; Puppies, 0-3 Months: Phydeaux Ironsides (dog), owned by Tracy Best; Puppy Dogs, 3-6: Belle-sprit Vanille, owned by Jayne Dubin; Puppy Bitches, 3-6: Bellesprit Vanessa, owned by Helene Katz; Puppy Dogs, 6-9: Chateaubriard Votre Sante, owned by Ruth Monast; Puppy Bitches, 6-9: Chateaubriard Vichyssoise; Puppy Dogs, 9-12: V.S.O.P. Bouffon de Brie; Puppy Dogs, 12-18: Chateaubriard Very Rare, owned by Jerry Cohen; Puppy Bitches, 12-18: Chateaubriard Victoria, owned by June & Bob Mahon; Open Bitches: Uriel Chez Phydeaux, owned by Dick and Barbara Rosen; Open Dogs: Bourbon, owned by Walter and Naiad Einsel.

Susan and John Alexander had a frightening experience with Homer (Chateaubriard Vermouth) on June 10 at the Upper Marlboro show in Maryland. The dog was apparently stung by an insect, went into allergic shock and suffered internal hemorrhaging and nearly was lost. Fortunately, he recovered rapidly with treatment. I had a similar though less severe experience with Twill (Versailles des Coteaux) at the Ohio Specialty two years ago. She was saved, because the Tingleys had antihistamine pills with them, but we couldn't get a vet at night and had to wait until the next morning for the show vet to administer cortisone. Since then, I've always carried cortisone or steroids purchased from my vet and highly recommend that everyone have these on hand for such emergencies.

Because so many Briards are being shown in the East, I must request that all show reports for inclusion in this column be given to me in writing and include name and location of show, date, judge's name, number of Briards present and all awards given at that show indicated by full kennel names and complete owner information with handlers identified. I then have to reserve the right to abridge the reports or in some cases when space is tight to include shows in order of preference based on how many Briards were present. This is regrettable. I'd rather include everyone's wins, but it's my opinion that the news column should whenever possible consist of general news about the membership, rather than just the progress of those dogs being shown. I'm always open to your suggestions and criticisms, so let me hear from you whenever you have news, photos, ideas for articles or reactions to what you read here. (6 Rebel Rd., Westport, CT 06880; 203/226-5379).

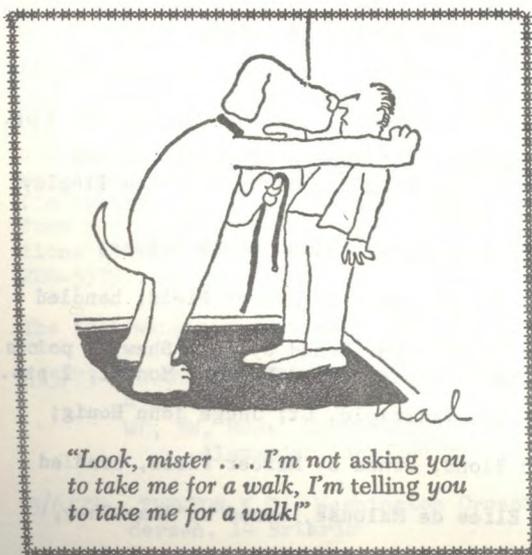
The following are East Side Show Results:

- 5/5/73 - BUCKS COUNTY K.C., Erwinna, PA; Judge: Peter Guntermann;
4 Briards
WD, BW, BOB: Chateaubriard Vermouth, owned by Susan & John Alexander, handled by Dick McMillan, 3 points
- 5/6/73 - TRENTON K.C., Washington Crossing, NJ; Judge: Theodore Gunderson, 14 Briards

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- BOB: Ch. Pythias Chez Phydeau, owned by Cece & Ken Collins
WD & BW: Chateaubriard Vulcan, owned by Don & Jane Mathews, handled by D. Roy Holloway, 5 points.
WB & BOS: Vonier de la Plaine St. Just, owned by Chuck Vetrone, 4 points.
- 5/12/73 - SPRINGFIELD K.C., Springfield, Ma; Judge: Peter Knoop
3 Briards
WD, BW, BOB: Chateaubriard Very Rare, owned by Jerry Cohen, 2 points.
- 5/13/73 - WINDHAM CO. K.C., Willimantic, Ct.; Judge Alyce Seekins;
3 Briards
WD, BW, BOB: Janus de la Ville Jameaux, owned by June Shew, 2 pts.
- 5/19/73 - LADIES KENNEL ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA, Hempstead, L.I., N.Y.
Judge: Robert Salomon; 3 Briards
WD, BW, BOB: Domino de l'Eminence Noir, owned by June Shew, 2 pts.
- 5/20/73 - LONG ISLAND K.C., Glen Cove, N.Y.; Judge Arnold Woolf; 3 Briards.
BOB: Ch. Pythias Chez Phydeau, owned by Cece & Ken Collins
WB, BW, BOS: Chateaubriard Vichyssoise, owned by Cece and Ken Collins.
- 5/28/73 - QUEENSBORO K.C., Queens Village, NY; Judge Carl May;
6 Briards
BOB: Ch. Pythias Chez Phydeaux, owned by Cece & Ken Collins
BOS: Chateaubriard Vichyssoise, owned by Cece & Ken Collins
WD & BW: Chateaubriard Vulcan, owned by Don & Jane Mathews, handled by Vic Capone, 3 points.
- 5/27/73 - PLAINFIELD K.C., Metuchen, NJ; Judge Henry Stoecker;
8 Briards.
BOB: Ch. Pythias Chez Phydeaux, owned by Cece & Ken Collins
BOS: Chateaubriard Vichyssoise, owned by Cece & Ken Collins
WD & BW: Chateaubriard Vermouth, owned by Susan and John Alexander, handled by Alan Levine, 5 points.
- 6/3/73 - FRAMINGHAM DISTRICT K.C., Northboro, Ma; Judge Langdon Scarda;
2 Briards
WD, BW & BOB: Janus de la Ville Jumeaux, owned by June Shew, 1 pt.
- 6/9/73 - KANADASAGA K.C., Canandaigua, NY; Judge: Ellsworth Gamble
WD, BW, BOB: V.S.O.P. Bouffon de Brie, owned by Mary Lou Tingley and Janet Slover, 1 point.
- 6/9/73 - GREENWICH K.C., North Stamford, CT; Judge Denis Grivas;
7 Briards
BOB: Ch. Phydeaux Tabac Blond, owned by Mercer Field, handled by Fred R. Olson
WB, BOS: Tracy des Elfes de Malouse, Owned by June Shew, 2 points.
WD & WB: Chateaubriard Votre Sante, owned by Ruth Monast, 2 pts.
- 6/10/73 - LONGSHORE-SOUTHPORT K.C., Fairfield, Ct; Judge John Honig;
3 Briards
BOB: Ch. Phydeaux Tabac Blond, owned by Mercer Field, handled by Fred R. Olson
WB, BW & BOS: Tracy des Elfes de Malouse, owned by June Shew, 1 point.

- 6/10/73 -TONAWANDA VALLEY K.C., Batavia, NY; Judge Melbourne Downing
WD, BW & BOB: V.S.O.P. Bouffon de Brie, owned by Mary Lou Tingley
and Janet Slover, 1 point.
- 6/10/73 - UPPER MARLBORO K.C., Upper Marlboro, Md; Judge Gerhard Plaga
WD, BW & BOB: Uto d'el Pastre, owned by Andrea Lee Fochios, 3 points.
WB, BOS: Chateaubriard Vinagrette, owned by Ed & Cýndy Konrath, 3 pts.
- 6/16/73 - CONEWANGO VALLEY K.C., Stockton, NY; Judge Philip Marsh;
3 Briards.
WD, BW & BOB: Chateaubriard Virtuoso, owned by Betty Botka, 1 point.
WB & BOS: Vonier de la Plaine St. Just, owned by Chuck Vetrone
- 6/16/73 - NORTH SHORE K.C., Boxford, Ma; Judge Howard Tyler; 5 Briards
BOB: Ch Pythias Chez Phydeau, owned by Cece & Ken Collins
WB, BW & BOS: Chateaubriard Vichyssoise, owned by the Collins, 2 pts.
WD: Chateaubriard Very Rare, owned by Jerry Cohen, 2 points
- 6/16/73 - BRYN MAWR K.C., Malvern, Pa; Judge Dr. Richard Greathouse
WD, BW & BOS: Chateaubriard Vermouth, owned by Susan Alexander and
handled by Dick McMillan, 4 points.
WB & BOS: Sentinel des Rues, owned by Marlene Anderson, 4 points.
- 6/17/73 - BURLINGTON CO. K.C., Fort Dix, NJ: Judge Patricia Marcman;
4 Briards, combined sexes
WD, BW & BOB: Chateaubriard Votre Sante, owned by Ruth Monast, 3 pts.
BOS: Berry Brow's Belle, owned by Marie Kokin
- 6/17/73 - MIDDLESEX CO. K.C., CONCORD MA: Judge Virgil Johnson;
5 Briards
BOB: Ch. Pythias Chez Phydeau, owned by Cece and Ken Collins.
WD & BW: Chateaubriard Very Rare, owned by Jerry Cohen, 2 points.
WB & BOS: Chateaubriard Vichyssoise, owned by Cece and Ken Collins.
- 6/24/73 - STATEN ISLAND K.C., Staten Island, NY: Judge Ramona Van Court
WD, BW & BOB: Chateaubriard Votre Sante, owned by Ruth Monast, 1 pt.
WB & BOS: Chateaubriard Vichyssoise, owned by the Collins, 1 point.



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BEST IN MATCH - V.S.O.P.
Bouffon de Brie, owned by
Mary Lou Tingley and Janet
Slover took Best in Match at
the B.C.A. sponsored match
on May 26. V.S.O.P. is
better known as Dez and is
handled here by Art Tingley.

JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP



Junior handler,
Kathy Ruby is shown
here with "Amber"
(Ultra Velu Chez
Phydeau). In Jr.
Showmanship, Kathy
has made an
excellent record
placing 2nd at
Detroit, 3rd at
Saginaw K.C., 3rd
at Lima K.C. and
2nd at Ingham Co.
K.C.

Kathy has also
handled Amber in the breed ring and showed her to her championship
which was completed in May. Congratulations Kathy.

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