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FROM THE PRESIDENT

I regret to inform you that Phil McNelis has resigned as President of the Briard Club of America. The Vice-President automatically becomes President in such a situation and the Board then appoints someone to fill the vacancy in the Office of Vice-President.

The Board has appointed Ada Marley, formerly a Director, to serve as Vice-President for the remainder of the term and an appointee is now being considered to fill the vacancy of Director.

In the last issue of the <u>Dew Claw</u>, there was a survey to be filled out and returned with your comments on the <u>Dew Claw</u> publication. To date, the responses have been minimal. In the next issue, we hope to have a second questionnaire regarding your thoughts on the activities of the Club. Both questionnaires will determine action to be taken in the future. It is imperative that these questionnaires be filled out and returned. We want to involve all members of the Club and their ideas in as many activities and areas as possible.

At this time, I would like to express appreciation to Linda Hysell and Roger Taylor for rescuing and caring for a number of Briards in distress. Numerous other people were involved, members and non-members alike. To them my thanks also. It shows true dedication to the Breed, which is our main concern.

I would like to wish each and every Briarder a Happy Holiday Season and a Successful and Happy New Year.

> Sincerely, Phil Zingsheim, President,

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SINCERE THANKS TO THE MANY PEOPLE WHO HAVE HELPED TO MAKE THIS ISSUE A VERY SPECIAL ONE.

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TREASURER'S REPORT

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INCOME		EXPENSES	
Dues	\$ 95.00	August Dew Claw	\$280.80
D/C Subsriptions	29.00	October Dew Claw	329.68
D/C Ads	18,00	D/C Oct. postage	142.14
D/C Stud Dog Column	10.00	D/C Oct. labels	5.30
D/C Back issue	.75	Other printing	59,60
Misc.		Misc.	
Overpayment for		Saxon copier	300.00
exchange	10.75	Overpayment D/C Ad	5.00
Overpayment D/C Ad	5.00	Secretary's postage	15.00
Profit, Briard Novelty		Treasurer's postage	7.50
Shoppe	300.00	Bank charges (exchange)	3.44
'78 Calendar	2.50	50th Anniversary	
Brochures	5.25	Gasoline	10.00
50th Anniversary		Rass. Chairman's phone	54.36
Supplies sold	7.10	Rass. Chairman's postage	1.58
Rassemblement entries		Tiles	16.20
Catalog Ads	50.00	Repro. paper	41.08
Marked catalogs	80.00	Judges' gifts	100.25
		Rass. report paper	5.72
	\$689.35	Marked catalog postage	26.50

Patricia A. Long, Treasurer

\$1,404.15

Opening balance Income	\$5,450.09 689.35
Expenses	\$6,139.44 1,404.15
Balance	\$4,735.29

<u>CORRECTION</u>: In the Treasurer's Report in the October issue of the Dew Claw (page 4) the amount of <u>\$174.00</u> for the 50th Anniversary raffle was omitted. (The phone probably rang while the report was being typed for printing.) We're sorry, Pat. Your figures balanced -only the printed copy didn't. Ed.

50TH ANNIVERSARY FINANCIAL REPORT 1978 SPECIALTY

	1978 SPE	CIALTY	
INCOME	C-state 16	EXPENSES	
	\$1,669.75	Refunds	\$ 18.50
Catalog Ads	920.00	Catalog on special	
Catalog Sales	176.00	paper & Premium List	
Marked Catalog Sales	80.00	materials & printing	912.35
Raffle	174.00	Advertising letter and	
Trophy Donations	145.00	address labels	32.24
Sweeps. Trophy Donation	20.00	1/2 Paw-Pourri	24.49
Hospitality supplies so	ld 18.70	1/2 Door Tags	2.34
		¹ ₂ Champagne Reception	198.97 143.63
		Raffle Door Prizes	14.50
		Flowers	19.25
		Hospitality Room & judge	
		fruit baskets	139.11
		Sweepstakes prize money	164.50
		Ribbons & judges books	210.26
		Trophies	325.47
		Show Secretary Expenses	373.10
		AKC Recording Fee	33.00
		Judges' Gifts	71.61
		Postage for Marked Catal	
		Ring Stewards (2)	20.00
		Zimmerman (Judge)	39.08
		MacLean (Judge) Stanek (Judge)	50.00 225.00
		Bank Charges	9.46
		¹ / ₃ Gasoline	5.00
TOTALS Income	\$3,203.4		\$3,045.64
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	1978 RAS	SSEMBLEMENT	
INCOME		EXPENSES	
Entries	\$664.00	50th Anniversary letters	S,
		envelopes & postage	\$ 75.40
		Thank you notes	13.54
		Entry forms, Evaluation	
		sheets & catalog,	107 54
		materials & printing	137.54
		¹ ₂ Paw-Pourri	24.50 2.34
		¹ / ₂ Door Tags ¹ / ₂ Champagne Reception	198.97
		Judge's gift	28.64
		Tiles	144.46
		Postage	15.28
		Phone bill - Chairman	177.63
		Interpreter	50.00
		Air Fare (Judge)	715.00
		Meals for judge	181.80
		¹ ₂ Gasoline	5.00
	4001 00	Rass. Report paper	5.72
TOTALS Income	\$664.00	Expenses	\$1,775.82

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	1978 B/	ANQUET
INCOME		EXPENSES
	ions \$1,637.00	Dinners \$1,641.45 Refunds 40.00 Phone bill, Chairman 42.08 Postage 1.50
Totals In	come - \$1,637.00	Expenses - \$1,725.03
	EYE C	LINIC
Eye check fees	\$ 387.00	Opthalmologist's expenses \$115.78
Donation	100.00	
		Refund 4.00
	Income - \$487.00	Expenses - \$579.78
Medical	Committee Fund +	<u>79.78</u> 92.78)
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-Rassemblement Evaluation Report -Photographer

SECRETARY'S PAGE

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BOARD ACTION
AKC Delegate: The Board has appointed June Shew as A.K.C. Delegate. This appointment is now pending AKC approval. Jr. Showmanship Chairman: The Board has appointed Susan Karshmer to serve as Jr. Showmanship Chairman. Dew Claw Editor: Diane McLeroth has been appointed to continue as Dew Claw Editor.
'80 Specialty: Carole Jobe and Ed Konrath have been asked to find a Chairman for the 1980 Specialty in the West and submit their selection to the Board for approval.
'81 Specialty: Bob Boelter has been asked to find a Chairman for the 1981 Specialty in the Mid-West and submit the selection to the Board for approval.
Gifts for volunteers: The Board voted to discontinue buying gifts for those who volunteer or are selected to serve the Club. Thanks can be given in the Dew Claw and at club meetings.
Sweepstakes Judge: Charles Cook has been selected to judge the Puppy Sweepstakes at the '79 Specialty. This is now pending AKC approval.

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Secretary's Page - continued

<u>1978/'79 NOMINATING COMMITTEE:</u> The following Nominating Committee has been appointed by the Board. Any suggestions or comments you wish to give the committee should be addressed to one of the three committee members.

Gerrie Miner, Chairman	Ken Collins	Virginia Englehart
1630 Luella St.	75 Inwood Road	5868 Deerhead Road
St. Paul, MN 55119	Darien, CT 06820	Malibu, CA 90265

Alternates: (to serve if any of the above can not.)

Marie Kokin

Joan Dugan

UNDER DISCUSSION BY THE BOARD

-Membership survey and its contents. -Bulk Rate mailing of the Dew Claw. -Membership application rules. -Education committee goals and Chairman

VACANCY ON THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- The Office of Vice-President Ada Marley has been appointed, in accord with the By-laws, to fill the vacancy in the Office of Vice-President for the remainder of the term.
- The appointee to fill the vacancy of Director (formerly held by Ada Marley) is pending Board action.

THE BOARD WELCOMES YOUR COMMENTS AND IDEAS. If you have any suggestions you would like considered, please address them to any member of the Board. Names and addresses as well as phone numbers are listed on the inside front cover of every Dew Claw.

"P" NAMES FOR 1979 - If you follow the French system of naming your Briards, puppies born in the year 1979 should have names beginning with the letter "P".

50TH ANNIVERSARY SHOW CATALOGS

Show catalogs from our 50th Anniversary Specialty 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 (\$3.50 plus 50¢ postage). The catalog offers many photos of Briards, some history of the Breed as well as the entries at the show. Order yours today.

RASSEMBLEMENT REPORT CATALOGS- are being processed for printing. This is a time consuming project but we hope to have the catalog ready after the first of the year. All exhibitors will receive a complimentary copy and prices will be announced for others who wish to buy a copy.

B.C.A. NEWS & VIEWS

May you all have a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year in 1979! Don't forget your favorite Briard this Christmas and be careful of the toys you buy. I recently had an experience with Imp which I thought I'd pass on to you. He loves rawhide, but due to the mess they leave the coat, I have been giving him what they call flip chips. They come in a flat circular shape and fit right in the mouth. He had just finished chewing up one and was passing me as I sat in the chair. I thought his mouth fur on the side looked a bit strange so I called him over to check for mats. What I found really startled me. Imp had been so busy chewing away and pushing his chip back in his mouth that he had chewed off about a three inch strip of hair on the side of his face away from the judge (thank goodness!). It appeared as if someone had taken scissors and just cut a hole in his beautiful coat. So if you give your Briard any type of rawhide, please watch carefully so they don't chew the coat along with their bone. We now give our Briards nylon chew bones which don't leave your carpet and dog sticky and don't cut the coat as the rawhide did.

Linda Wells wants to tell the whole Briard world that her Montargis de Lindeau is now a champion! "Rowdy" finished in high style by going winners dog for 5 pts., best of winners and best of breed over four specials at Livonia, September 10 under judge Gerhardt Plaga. He was even one of eight dogs given a "second look" by Mr. Haworth Hoch later on in the group. Rowdy took all his championship points from the bredby exhibitor class and was thus always shown by his breeder Linda Wells. He was sired by Vin Marque de Grand Coeur out of Ch. Iaime Widgette de Lindeau.

Fran Taylor and Jabot send us this news on "The Great Pumpkin Parade." The little town of Sycamore, Illinois has a population of approximately 8,700 people. The biggest weekend of the year in Sycamore is the one closest to Halloween when they stage the Great Pumpkin Festival. During this weekend the population of the town is at least doubled. There is a pumpkin decorating contest, the participating pumpkins being displayed on the lawns surrounding the courthouse square; there are art fairs, bake sales, food booths, everything imaginable to go with the festival.

And the culmination of it all is the Great Pumpkin Parade on Sunday afternoon. This is a parade of 150 units. High School and College Bands from all over the state participate. And traditionally, Unit 52 is the Kishwaukee Kennel Club. Kishwaukee is an Indian name for "sycamore" and our Kishwaukee Kennel Club embraces an area including Sycamore, DeKalb, Belvidere and Rockford, wherever the Kishwaukee River runs.

We had a beautiful assortment of dogs this year. Leading the unit were 3 Irish Wolfhounds with their owners dressed in monk's robes. Then a brace of Irish Setters, a brace of Keeshonds, a Whippet, a Boxer, a Schnauzer, a Malamute, 3 Vizslas and finally a Briard leading a Gorilla.

My gorilla suit just happens to be about the same color and texture as my Briard - Jabot. We danced and circled and went from side to side along the whole route because the parade was moving much too slowly to show off the beautiful natural movement of a good Briard. It was such fun! There were many interesting comments, many calls of "Hey Gorillas!" etc., but I think the most special one was when we overheard a woman say to her husband "Honey, how do you suppose they ever got that costume on the dog?" (Did she think he was really a German Shepherd?)

Congratulations to Jim and Judy Ziozios who are the proud parents of a new baby girl. She was born September 26, 1978 and her name is Jenny Nicole.

O.F.A. News

Rob Ferber announces that his Stonehill's I'm Bogie has received O.F.A FB-78. Bogie was bred by Bob and Gerry Adolphus by Ch. Uffin Berger du Nord out of Ch. Flogan Variety Sho Stonehill.

David Tooker and Monroe Kokin announce that their Ch. Le Beauchien's Marie Ange has received O.F.A. FB-79. She was bred by Marie and Monroe Kokin by Ch. Pa'Chick's Rebel Deux out of Ch. Bellesprit Fille Vendredi.

Linda Wells and Rob Ferber wish also to announce an O.F.A. FB-83 for their Magie Mon Ami de Lindeau. Bred by Linda out of Ch. Iaime Widgette de Lindeau and sired by Vin Marque de Grand Coeur.

Bob & Marie Herd announce that their Ch. Bellesprit Licol Mon Bonheur has received O.F.A. FB-85. Licol was bred by Jayne Dubin by Ch. Chateaubriard Votre Sante out of Ch. Phydeaux Tallulah, C.D.

Margaret & Susan McCormick announce that their Ch. Pa'Chick's Ms-Be-Haven has received O.F.A. FB-86. Shona was bred by Susan and Charles Long by Ch. Pa'Chick's Rebel Deux out of Ch. Pa' Chick's Jezebel.

New Companion Dogs

Am./Can. Ch. Pa'Chick's Livin' Legend, Am./Can. C.D. - Chico, owned, bred and trained by Pat Long finished his American C.D. on September 30th. His sire is Am./Can. Ch. Pa'Chick's Impresario, Am. C.D.X., Can. C.D. and his dam is Am./Can. Ch. Reine des Elfes de Malouse.

Ch. Pa'Chick's Ms-Be-Haven, Am./Can. C.D. - Shona, owned, bred and trained by Susan McCormick finished her American & Canadian C.D. on September 30th & October 1st. Her sire is Ch. Pa'Chick's Rebel Deux and her dam is Am./Can. Ch. Pa'Chick's Jezebel. Unique Noe De Vieille Ville, C.D. - Noah, owned and trained by Cindy Gray and bred by Laurie Kay and Gerrie Miner, finished his American C.D. this fall. His sire is Ch. Stonehill's I'm Henri and his dam is Ch. Unique Magie Du Nord, C.D.

Puppy Corner

Dick & Mimi Long of Duluth, Minn. have a litter of eight black puppies...6 males and 2 females. Their dam is Ch. Jolie de la Rivette, C.D.X. and the sire is Ch. Montargis de Lindeau.

Sue Erickson of Mankato, Minn. has one tawny male and two black females available from her recent litter out of Ch. Les Blues du Chien de Sel, C.D. by Ch. Uffin Berger du Nord.

Pat Long has a litter of 10 tawny puppies...6 females and 4 males. Their dam is Ch. Pa'Chick's Luvin' Legend and their sire is Ch. Ralph des Elfes de Malouse, C.D. She has three females available.

Show Results

9/16/78 - Logansport K.C. - j Robert Wills - e 0-2-1 BOB Ch. Pa'Chick's Impresario, C.D.X. (Susan McCormick) WB 1 pt., BOS Tigresse De Patriche (Janice Millis)

9/17/78 - Greater Lafayette K.C. - j Roy Ayers - e 0-2-1 BOB Ch. Pa'Chick's Impresario, C.D.X. WB 1 pt.,BOS Chateaubriard Papillon (Janice Millis)

9/23/78 - Battle Creek Kennel Club - j Donald Bradley - e 0-0-2 BOB Ch. Pa'Chick's Livin' Legend (Charles & Pat Long) BOS Ch. Pa'Chick's Ms-Be-Haven (Margaret & Susan McCormick)

10/1/78 - Sarnia K.C. (Canada) - j Joseph Fleming - e 0-3-0 WB 2 pts., BOB Am. Ch. Era Le D'Or de Beauxjolis, Am. CDX, Can. CD

10/8/78 - Progressive Dog Club - j Dr. Greathouse - e 3-3-3 BOB Ch. Pa'Chick's Livin' Legend WD 2 pts. Stonehill's I'm Bogie (Rob Ferber) WB 2 pts., BW, BOS Notre Magic Genie de Lindeau (Linda Bullard and Linda Wells)

10/28/78 - Toledo Kennel Club - j Thomas Gately - e 5-5-3 BOB Ch. Pa'Chick's Impresario, CDX BOS Ch. Pa'Chick's Little Spitfire (Janet Couture) WD 4 pts., BW Sugarcreek Strawberry Daniel (Susan Smith) WB 4 pts. Silvermoon Beau-Belle Tanya (Roselyn Bell)

11/5/78 - Northeastern Indiana K.C. - j Lt. Col. Wallace Pede e 5-6-2 BOB Ch. Pa'Chick's Livin' Legend BOS Ch. Pa'Chick's Ms-Be-Haven WB 4 pts.,BW Tigresse De Patriche WD 4 pts. Unique Noe De Vieille Ville, CD (Cindy Gray) I would like to thank everyone who has sent me news and also would like to urge anyone who might have a bit of news or an experience with their Briard to share it with us all and send it to Susan McCormick, 25743 Culver, St. Clair Shores, Michigan 48081. Please share your news with us.

Susan McCormick, News Editor

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THE PARTY DOG

BY LAURIE MODREY

Before getting Andy, our first Briard, I read that some Briards like parties. My husband and I were amused by the idea, yet we never expected our dog to be the life of the party.

We should have known the day we brought him home. Andy headed for the wine rack to try out the cork on a champagne bottle. Since then, after several birthday parties, anniversaries and a New Year's celebration, he has picked up enough corks to supply a winery. And while he's always ready to pounce on and toss around a burgundy cork, he does seem to prefer those from champagne bottles.

When he was 11 weeks old, he went to his first dinner party- a formal one, at that. During cocktails, the guests gathered around the kitchen to watch the new puppy ("That's a puppy? How big will he be when he's full grown?) eat his kibble and cottage cheese. And then when we were eating, Andy dragged his foot-long bone backwards through the kitchen and hall into the diningroom, where he made himself comfortable under an end table until the meal was over. Now, whenever we have company, he paws through his toy box for a bone, brings it into the livingroom, and settles down for a chew until our friends leave.

Because he is such a delightful host, Andy has been invited to a number of parties (with us,too). At an outdoor office party, he downed about two dozen tamales including one still in its corn husk. At Christmas, he got tangled in the tree lights and kissed all the ladies wearing perfume. At Halloween, he charged a Jack-o-lantern and jumped on all the strange masked men who tried to dance with me. When my cousin threw a party to celebrate the birth of her son, Andy refused to play outside with the family dog, but instead stole the show by his antics with the champagne cork.

Now that the holiday festivities have started again, we're looking forward to having even more fun with our party-loving Briard.



MARIE and MONROE KOKIN

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MARCH 6, 1973 - OCTOBER 2, 1978

"CHARLIE"

FIRST BRIARD TD FIRST BRIARD AD FIRST BRIARD AM CAN CDX FIRST BRIARD AM CAN CH CDX

There are many things I remember about Charlie. The pleasure he took in running outside on cold Fall days, the squeeze toy he loved to play with, the way he pulled your ear when he said hello. Charlie was truly an independent, stubborn and hard-headed dog at times but would always try to do what was asked of him. Many times I wondered who owned whom, as people didn't know him as my dog but knew me as Charlie's owner. Above all other things Charlie showed love of life and people. Whether in obedience work, tracking, weight pulling, back packing, carting, sledding, protection work or anything else I asked him to do, he tried his best. In the end, the things I remember about him add up to one simple sentence. He was my friend.



IIE 5 E JOHN & PAT MARTIN. CHARLIE 11 DECEMBER 1978



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SUSAN SMITH BELLBROOK, OHIO

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"Oh boy! I'm getting a Little Briard for Christmas!"

HOLIDAY GREETINGS Andy Chie Laurie

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Meg Weitz & Michael Greenberg Nina Ben Tigger Jessica Tuck Oscar and our new "edition " Briards de Béjanne 29



John and Diane Mileroth

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Noah & Cindy Gray Old Town, Chicago

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Jeason's Greetings



from Pa'Chick Kennels

CHARLES AND PAT LONG 5890 SHEA ROAD MARINE CITY, MI 48039 313/765-5906 HAPPY HOLIDAYS! from the McCormick Clan!!



Am. & Can. Ch. Pa'Chick's Impresario, Am. C.D.X., Can. C.D. OFA FB-44 CERF BR142/78-58
Am. & Can. Ch. Pa'Chick's Jezebel OFA FB-50 CERF BR140/78-53
Ch. Pa'Chick's Ms-Be-Haven, Am. & Can C.D. OFA FB-86 CERF BR141/78-23

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SEASON'S GREETINGS



BRIARDS DE BEAUXJOLIS

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JUST WATCHING FOR SANTA



BOB, BETH, BRIE & BIJOU HOWARD WISH YOU A JOYFILLED HOLIDAY FROM SPRINGFIELD, ILL.



AID AND RESCUE

IT WORKS!

Briarders are very special people, as special as the breed they have chosen. A recent emergency proved once again that when Briards are in trouble, true fanciers rise to the challenge and work quickly to correct the problem!

The day dawned in as easy-going a fashion as is possible when you run a boarding kennel. Both Linda Hysell and Roger Taylor expected a relatively calm day and had thoughts of accomplishing a few of those things, which always need to be done. That was not meant to be - and although they did not know it at the time, "easy-going" would be the farthest thing from possible in the days ahead.

What Roger and Linda did not know (yet) was that Briard Aid and Rescue Chairman, Heather Schrott, had received an emergency call the evening before from Shirley and Rick Morgan. The Morgans are new to Briards, but called immediately when they heard of several Briards in northern Ohio, which must be picked up immediately or the owner would have them destroyed.

Heather, with little more than an hour before she was to leave for a formal dinner party, called me to plan out some strategy. Needless to say, this took most of the time Heather had left to prepare for the dinner, but to her the dogs were more important.

According to the plans, I was to call Linda and Roger to see if they could help, which was done about 10:00 on that "easy-going" morning. Linda no sooner heard of the Briards in trouble than she asked Roger to load their van with crates. while I explained how they could locate the dogs. Within 3 hours, all the dogs were picked up, safely installed in the kennel - and Roger and Linda's easy-going day was forgotten.

What had been reported as "8" Briards turned out to be TEN with two of the bitches due to whelp almost immediately! The dogs, which were from good bloodlines, had been living in an outdoor pen, in mud up to their elbows and the older ones had been in these circumstances through two hard winters. Although they appeared to have been wellfed, they were pitifully matted, dirty and were infested with whip and hook worm. What had been most lacking - and what a Briard needs above all else - was love and human companionship. In spite of this, each dog had a sound temperament and willingly accepted the help and attention necessary to serve the immediate needs. They ranged from 6 months to three years of age and had the saddest eyes you can imagine!

The next day (Oh, Ugh! It rained in Ohio) while Roger and Linda proceeded with the tedious task of cleaning up the dogs, Heather and I continued contacting as many Briarders as we could, asking them, in turn, to spread the word to as many people as they could. You see, the grapevine *can* be helpful and it is always faster than the U.S. Mail. The response was tremendous! Calls came from almost every part of the U.S., with Briarders offering to help in any way they could. Our ears began to take on the shape of the telephone receiver, our husbands (unsung heros) willingly accepted the growing phone bills -but the job was getting done!

A day or so later, one of the bitches in whelp went into premature labor, probably due to the anemia caused by the worm infestation. She needed an immediate caesarian section - thank goodness Linda works for a veterinary hospital - and Dr. George Blind willingly left his bed to help the bitch. He delivered her of EIGHTEEN living pups, a new record for the Breed. However, due to their premature birth, the puppies, which weighed less than $\frac{1}{2}$ pound each, died and the bitch was spayed during the surgery. The sleepless nights had left Linda and Roger undaunted and they still did not complain when they had to sit up with the second bitch, who whelped 7 living puppies a day or so later.

Instead of 10 Briards, we now had 17! -- but don't despair -- offers of good homes were coming in fast and it began to look as though there were more homes than dogs -- not from people who were necessarily looking to buy a Briard, but from people who had love and patience to give and space in their homes.

During a visit to the kennel, Maxwell Riddle, the well-known judge, learned of the displaced Briards. He too offered help and later contacted a Kent, Ohio newspaper. A reporter called - a photographer arrived and the story of what the B.C.A. was doing to help these dogs hit the front page. Although homes had been found for almost all of the dogs, calls flooded in to Linda and Roger with offers of additional homes. After hundreds of calls, Roger and Linda (who had now lost her voice) had to leave the phone off the hook in selfdefense. For days it was the same - calls and more calls - carloads of people dropping in to see the waifs - a television truck offering publicity if more homes were needed (they weren't) - and still, Linda and Roger did not complain (well, not very much).

Within a week, a loving home had been found for every dog and many had gone to their new owners in: Texas - Connecticut - Illinois -Indiana - Minnesota - Ohio - and California. New owners await the newborn pups and their dam, which must stay until the pups are old enough; others were shipped without incident, several were picked up by their new owners and one 6-month-old charmer traveled from one to another of the dog show crowd to reach his new home, winning friends all along the way. (Note: homes were also found for 1 German shepherd, 1 Irish setter and 1 cat, as well!)

To Linda & Roger, to Heather, to the Morgans, to Maxwell Riddle, to Dr. Blind & his associates and to all the others who have helped, all we can say is a grateful, "Thank you!". It is not possible to list the multitude of names - of members and non-members alike - who pitched in so willingly to help. Some are not yet known and we learn of others every day. However, each of you knows the satisfaction of a job well-done. It is wonderful to know there are people who put concern for Briards in trouble above all else - and these are the people, who have made this successful rescue possible!

Grapevines <u>can</u> be helpful -Briarders <u>are</u> very special people and this is what our Club is all about!

> Thank you all, Diane McLeroth

EVALUATION BY MONSIEUR LIGUINE

Dear American Friends,

It is with very great pleasure that I have examined close to 150 Briards during these three days. I came here with curiosity, asking myself how the dogs I would see would look. I had the pleasant surprise of finding breeding of very great quality, presented were above average subjects, of which a large proportion could qualify as "Excellent". The conclusion which it is possible to draw is that the current level of American breeding is excellent.

It is necessary to remain vigilant, because changes, in one sense or another, can be rapid. That is why it is important to know where you stand; to periodically have an evaluation such as this one and to draw conclusions for the future.

What struck me, above all, is that your Briards all have type: the expression is very Briard. The eyes are, on the whole, perfect; very dark. The pigmentation is excellent. The dewclaws are there and, in general, well-placed. The colors are also, for the most part, excellent. But what impressed me the most is the marvelous character: all are "sages-hardis" so to speak; digilent, but not agressive. This is something which, unfortunately, one rarely encounters in France. I was surprised to be able to examine, with such ease, dogs who were congenial and sociable, whom it was possible to measure and touch on all sides (dewclaws, stomach, teeth, eyes, legs); the dogs stood near each other in the ring during the selection wihtout barking or fighting.

It is fitting to also congratulate the owners of these Briards, because they presented, with perfect sportsmanship, dogs who were very clean and well-trained: I am sorry to have to say that this unfortunately is unusual for me and it also appears to me to be very agreeable.

The large number of "Excellents" conferred indicates the level of your American breeding which, in my opinion, is attaining maturity. But of course, the perfect dog does not exist. Each subject has faults and qualities. These are enumerated on the judging sheets. They indicate to you the direction in which you should work to eliminate the faults which appear most frequently, and the Selection which followed the evaluations places in evidence the best subjects which should serve as examples.

We have spoken of qualities, but it is also necessary to point out a fault, which we do not encounter as frequently in France: it concerns faults of dentition; this you know, the too frequent tendency toward being undershot.

Finally, there are faults, which unfortunately we also encounter in France, more and more: roached backs, croups too sloped, necks too short, straight angulations, imperfect tails, woolly and fine hair, choppy movement with insufficient reach. If there are a few dogs, which are too tall, on the other hand, one finds some very small subjects lacking in chest, stomach and bone.

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So beware! You must not select on the basis of character only. You must progress, little by little, toward the ideal, not forgetting that above all there must be:

> Mental health: good character Physical health: no dysplasia.

I do not want to close without congratulating the organizers of this event, who have put forth much work, but who should now have the joy of seeing its success; nor without thanking you for the warmth of your hospitality. Thank you very much and good luck, and long life to the American Briard Club.

> Paul Liguine Judge, Rassemblement '78

JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP



DEBERA STEINER (above) is pictured with Ecar Lester Lobot and judge, Mrs. Joyce Hadden after winning 1st Place at Elm City K.C. in Junior Showmanship, Novice Senior. Her other wins are: Mid-Hudson K.C. on June 24: Staten Island K.C. on June 25; and Putnam K.C. on July 22.

Debera is now showing in Open Senior Class and we wish her the best of luck in the future.

CORRECT BITE FOR BRIARDS

by Diane McLeroth

An old French shepherd once told me, "If a Briard bites the sheep and draws blood, there is no problem with the teeth." Cavalier as this analysis may be, it does not seem to be the suitable standard for breeders who wish to bring the Breed a little closer to perfection. The drawing of blood is not the single consideration here. Poor alignment of the teeth causes premature wear, it can be a detriment to good health - and it does change the expression of the dog whose jaws are not in correct proportion, one to the other.

For over 47 years, the A.K.C. Standard for the Briard stated, "Teeth strong, white and meeting *exactly even*." This was a mis-translation of the original French, "s'adaptant parfaitement", which is correctly translated, "adapting perfectly". French experts tell us this means that the teeth should meet in a *scissors bite* (the lower incisors in back of and exactly against the rear face of the upper incisors, like the closed blades of scissors).

Somewhere in the 1920s, the word "even" slipped into the translation. For almost a half-century Briards in this country were bred for a slightly elongated lower jaw to bring the lower incisors forward. This was, in reality, an undershot jaw and it is not surprising that this problem is now more common here than in France. When the error was discovered in the late 1960s, the B.C.A. set about rectifying it and a corrected and clarified A.K.C. Standard for Briards went into effect on May 1, 1975.



CORRECT SCISSORS BITE The lower incisors are in back of and exactly against the rear face of the upper incisors.

Admittedly, this mistake in the translation is not solely responsible for the undershot jaws we see in Briards today, but there is no question that it has had some influence on the production of the incorrect bite. It even made slightly undershot jaws seem less of a fault since there was less deviation from what was believed to be normal.

It would not be realistic to expect the even or slightly undershot jaws to disappear immediately upon correction of the Standard. This is not a quickly accomplished task when dealing with recessively inherited traits and there are so many other qualities of the Breed which are equally or more important.

However, breeders must remember that undershot jaws are a common problem in Briards. It has been produced by every bloodline in this country and M. Janicot, our '74 Rassemblement judge from France, told us it has been produced in all French bloodlines as well. Not only is the causative gene recessive and bad bite can be produced by two dogs with good bite, the quality of the bite is not definately known until the dog reaches maturity. The jaws have been known to go bad as late as 18 months-of-age or older. THE EVEN BITE, which we thought to be correct for so many years, is illustrated in figure A. In this type of bite, the cutting edges of the upper incisors butt against the edges of the lower incisors. This causes premature wear and the teeth are often pushed out of place. It is a good guess that the genes which cause the undershot jaw also produce this bite, since the lower jaw is slightly longer

than the ideal.

THE UNDERSHOT BITE (figure B) is all too common in the Briard in this country. The lower jaw is too long, placing the lower incisors forward of the upper incisors. Often, the remainder of the teeth are proportionately out of place. This malformation can be slight or more pronounced as in the illustration. When pronounced, the expression of the dog is changed.



Figure A EVEN BITE

A dog is not truly undershot when the lower incisors are only tilted forward of the uppers and the jaws are still of correct length. Although this is not desirable, Dr. Luquet, noted French Briard

judge and author, believes it should not be considered as serious a fault as the truly undershot jaw, where the problem lies in the bone structure.

THE OVERSHOT BITE (figure C) is not as common to the Briard as the undershot bite, but it is produced in some bloodlines. In this case, the upper jaw is too long or the lower jaw is too short, leaving a gap between the upper and lower incisors. Sometimes premolars are missing or the other teeth are also out of place.

Figure B UNDERSHOT BITE

Which of these faults of bite is the most undesirable? One French expert states, "The undershot jaws are the most serious problem

because this is not an exageration of the normal, as in the case of overshot, but is the reverse of the norm."

During a discussion on bite, a seasoned judge asked me, "Is it possible to achieve a good scissors bite on a Briard with the correctly rectangular muzzle?" Anatomically, it may seem difficult, but it can be done - it has been done - and awareness of the problem as well as knowledge of what is correct can help to improve the Briard bite more quickly.

Figure C OVERSHOT BITE

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Please, Shag, come out from under the judge's table---the nice man isn't going to hurt you, honest---That's better---See, I told you he was a nice man. Shag, No---Get up off the floor!---The judge doesn't want to scratch your tummy!---Move my dog??? To where?? Oh--in an "L"---O.K.--Come on Shag.---How was that??? Do it again!?-This time don't walk and try an upper case "L", not script.---O.K. Shag, ONE MORE TIME---Let's go---What's the Blue ribbon for??? You are kidding --- Hey, Shag,---we didn't fail---We passed--We passed!!!--Now, that wasn't so bad, was it girl? True quality always shines through. A diamond in the rough, so to speak, right, Shag? We can pick up a frame for your ribbon on the way home. --- Ah, when did you say the next show was going to be held?

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NOVICE OBEDIENCE TRAINING

BY PATRICIA LONG

There are three steps in training dogs. All are important. If you avoid one step, you and your dog will fail.

- 1. TELL the dog what you want.
- 2. SHOW the dog how to do it.
- 3. PRAISE the dog as soon as he has done it. Praise whould be given as often as possible. When you say "heel" and snap the lead bringing the dog into position, <u>immediately</u> follow with "good boy" <u>and mean it</u>.

The first lesson is the heel on lead. The correct position is the dog's shoulder at the handler's left knee. Starting with the dog on your left side, give the command, "Heel", then step off with the *left* foot and give a quick jerk on the lead, keeping the dog in position. Each time you snap the lead, repeat the command, "Heel". When you stop use the command, "Sit". Make the dog sit by jerking up on the lead with your right hand and pushing down on the rear with your left. Do not turn into the dog when you make him sit. The dog must line up with your left side. If you keep turning, he will never learn where to sit.

Remember, praise when the dog is in the correct position. Praise him no matter if he has gotten into the position himself, or if you have put him there. Talk to your dog while you are working him. This will make a happy working dog. After he has learned, the praise and talk can be limited. I would much rather see a dog working with his tail wagging, than tucked between his legs.

While heeling, make sharp right turns, left turns and about turns (with your dog on the outside). Also change pace, going fast and slow for short distances. At this time the figure 8 can also be practiced. The figure 8 can be done by placing objects about 8 to 10 feet apart. You can use chairs, a couple of garbage cans, or the neighbor's kids. Walk in a figure 8 around the objects, making stops along the way. Do not let the dog sniff the posts (especially if they are the neighbor's kids!). When the dog is on the inside turn you may have to bump him slightly with your knee. On the outside turns, make him stay up with you. A snap on the lead and a little praise should accomplish this. Make the dog keep pace with you, do not slow down or speed up for the dog.

Remember, while heeling the dog, walk at a brisk pace, making quick turns and abrupt stops. This will keep the dog's attention on you and you will have a fast working dog. If you keep a tight lead, the dog will never learn. With a tight lead, the dog knows where you are (at the other end) and won't have to watch for your next move.

Work your dog at least 15 minutes a day, every day. The dog doesn't know if it's Sunday, a holiday, or a vacation day. Make sure he learns each lesson before you start the next.

The second lession is the sit-stay. With the dog sitting at your left side, give the command, "Stay". Keep the lead in your left hand, extending the right hand in front of the dog's face, and step in front of the dog. Step off with the *right* foot. Eventually, (continued-----)

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the dog will learn when you step off with the left foot he is to come along and when you step off with the right foot he is to stay. At this point, just step in front of the dog, facing him. As he learns, you can increase your distance, eventually walking directly away from the dog and turning to face him. At first, stay close, keeping the lead in your left hand. If the dog should break, say, "No, Sit-stay" placing the dog in the sitting position as fast as possible. Do not take time to walk around the dog to do this, he must be put back immediately.

After he has stayed a very short time, return to the dog by walking around him to the heel position, making sure he does not break. Stop for a second, give the "Heel" command, take a few steps, stop, make him sit, and praise him. <u>Do not</u> praise him while you are in front of him or he will break to get to you. As he learns the "Sit-stay" the time can be increased, until he will stay for 1 minute. Never take the lead off or get too far away from him if there is a chance he will break. Once he breaks and runs, your troubles have just begun!

The third lesson is the stand-stay. With the dog sitting at your left side, give the command, "Heel". Take about three steps and give the command, "Stand". At the same time place your left hand in front of the dog's right hind leg, to keep him from tucking it under to sit. Make sure the dog is standing comfortably before you give the command, "Stay", extending the right hand in front of the dog's face and step in front of him, stepping off with the right foot. Again stay close until you are sure he has mastered the Stand-stay. After he has stayed for a short time, return to him by walking around him to the heel position, making sure he does not move. Stop for a second, give the heel command, take two or three steps forward, stop, make him sit. Now a lot of praise! If he has learned the sit-stay properly, you should not have any problems.

When he has learned the stand-stay, have someone go up to the dog, while he is standing, and extend their hand in front of the dog's face, then touch him lightly on the head and down the back. Remember you have a "Briard" with hair over the eyes. The hand should always be seen in front of the face before going over the dog. If you start with someone coming down on top of the dog's head, it may startle him and he will be leary of someone going over him. Once he learns, he will expect it.

The fourth lesson is the recall. To do the recall, you start as in the sit-stay. Leave the dog, walk to the end of the lead (a six foot lead), turn and face the dog. Wait a few seconds and give the dog's name and the command, "come". Now give a quick jerk on the lead and start backing up. The dog will see you moving and jump up to come with you. As he comes in gather the lead up so when he gets to you, you can stop, jerk stright up and give the command, "Sit". The dog should be taught to sit square in front of you. Do not settle for a crooked sit. If he learns he can sit crooked now, it will be hard to break later. The dog should not touch you when he is sitting in front of you, but you should be able to reach out and touch him. If you cannot, he is sitting too far out. Now you step into the heel position and praise him. Most commands are given firmly. The command, "Come" should be in a happy tone of voice. After all, you

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want the dog to come don't you?

The fifth lesson is the finish of the recall. The finish is taught with the dog sitting in front of you. Take hold of the lead with your left hand, near the collar. Give the command, "Heel" and with short sharp jerks, make the dog go in a circle on your left side to the heel position. The dog should make the circle to the outside and turning toward you, end up at your side. The Briard is a large dog, so as you are bringing him to your left side, step back with your left foot; as he makes the turn, bring your left foot back into position and make him sit next to it. Do not move your right foot or you will not end up in the same position as you started. With the dog now in the heel position, praise him. As the dog learns, you will omit the jerking on the lead and moving of the left foot.

Work the dog on the recall and finish seperately, or the dog will soon think he must go into the heel position after the recall. When he does, he will start sitting facing the finish position or maybe even go directly to the heel position when you call him.

The sixth lesson is the down-stay. Again, starting with the dog in the heel position, take the lead in your left hand and place your left hand on the shoulders. Take hold of the front feet with your right hand. Give the command, "Down" and pull the front feet straight out in front of the dog while pushing down on the shoulders with the left hand. The dog must be in the sitting position to do this. Keep your hand on the shoulders for a few seconds to make sure the dog will stay down. Now, stand up at his side. Wait a few seconds and give the stay command, stepping in front of the dog. Again, stay near until you are sure the dog knows what you want. After a short time, return to the dog, walking around him to the heel position. Make sure he does not get up until he is told to do so. Now give the heel command, take a few steps, make him sit, and praise him. The dog should learn to stay in the down position for three minutes.

If you get upset or angry - <u>do not</u> work your dog. Stop and wait until you cool down before starting again.

Work with your dog 15 minutes at a time.

Make sure he knows each exercise before you start another.

Repeat all exercises he has learned along with each new one.

If you want your dog to move, use the dog's name before the command.

If you want the dog to stay, do not use the dog's name.

The Complete Dog Book, published by the American Kennel Club states, "There are certain basic things a civilized dog should do when you tell him to, to make your life and his easier. They are: walking at your side in the streets, called 'heeling' in the jargon of training, sitting and lying down on command, staying where you tell him to, coming when you call him, and standing and holding his position at your command. The fact that these 'exercises' are exactly those included in the requirements for the C.D. (Companion Dog) title awarded in obedience competition...is by no means coincidence. We feel they are the minimum requirements of a civilized dog-sufficient to make him easy to live with and a pleasure to own, a true companion."

acknowledging where it was.

1978 N.C.B. FUN FAIR

cheer on the World Series.

by Jan Zingsheim

The day of the North Central Briarders' Fun Fair started out bright and shiny, but as the morning went on, the gray clouds started blowing in and the outlook was bleak. The Briard turn out was low, considering the number of Briards in the club but the enthusiasm of the owners and friends who showed up was enough to

Conformation was first on the list. There were two four-monthold male puppies, who made their show ring debut. They did very well considering their owners were more nervous than they were. Both pups, "Mister" and "Froggie" were owned by Barb and Joe Zaworski. Mister was a definate part of the family; Froggie was unattached for the time being.

Open dogs were represented by "Noah" Gray and "Nightmare" Zingsheim. After a slight sleet storm and much gaiting, Noah placed first. The open bitches were well represented by "Libby" Steinberg, "Tory" Erickson and "Nadia" Zingsheim. After much studying, the judge, Dick Long, picked Libby first, Nadia second and Tory third. Best adult in match went to Noah and Best Puppy went to Mister. Dick gave a big sigh of relief as the crowd applauded. He then said, "Anyone who thinks this is easy can come in here and try it!" Dick then laughed and asked if there were any more dogs to be judged. He then allowed a short-haired, tawny "Briard" with large loose jowels to be judged. It was the first Blue Ribbon Barb Steinberg's, not-yet-registered Mastif had ever won. Applause! Applause!

The games were the most fun of the whole day. Everyone and their dogs joining in. The Recall Race went very fast. Some dogs beat the judges stop watch as they raced to their owners. Others found the crowd more interesting than their owners and went visiting.

The Slolom Heeling was equally as fast a game. Many handlers found themselves a bit tipsy after the event. The wind kept blowing the tennis balls from the tops of the poles, which made the wind lose the event by too many 2 second penalties.

Everyone joined in on the Dumbbell Toss. The winner won a dumbbell plus a sore arm from throwing 40 feet into a wading pool. It can be strenuous!

Simon Says, "Down" was a quick eliminator game. Most of the handlers went down before their dogs.

The Hide and Seek game was a little bit above the Briards. Many dogs knew the general direction their owners had been in before they disappeared but couldn't figure out where they had gone. Much cheating went on during this event. Funny squeeking noises from behind the blind, hands waving underneath, all hoping to catch the dog's eye. Many dogs thought their owners were in the crowd and just went looking for them there. It was a great event.

The Ol' Shell game proved that a Briard, in general, had definate meal manners. Only one knocked the box off and devoured the liver hidden beneath. The rest waited to have it served after

The Temptation Sit was a different story! The liver, four feet from the sitting dog, was too much of a temptation for many. The owners barely had time to leave their dogs and the liver was gone. Another dog laid down to get closer to it. The rest waited patiently until the owners released them.

The water retrieve proved to us that the Briard is not a great retriever. The mastif came in first and two Briards finally decided that that ball looked pretty good and picked it up.

The Challenge Heel went smoothly. It proved that after all these fun games, a Briard still knows what it has been trained for.

The Winner of the games had to be decided by a run off. The run off was done by a heel down. The first Briard with a crooked sit was out. It took quite awhile because the first few sits were all crooked. Finally, the winner was made. Cindy Gray and Noah were the overall winners. Jan Zingsheim and Nightmare lost the run off and took second and Dave Behrens and Ness came in third.

Barb and Jo Steinberg (Ed. note: hostesses for the event) had plenty of hot coffee and a great bean cassarole to warm us all up. Dick and Mimi Long, the judge and his assistant, were exhausted but pleased with the day. We all gave a great round of applause and cheers for their great work.

It was definately a "Fun" Fair. The dogs had fun and so did the people.

I mentioned earlier that Froggie was an unattached puppy. Well, by the end of the day, Froggie had a new family. The Behrendts came up from Mt. Prospect to see the Briards. Lynn was afraid she might be allergic to them, but by the end of the day she was fine; no reaction to the breed. Froggie decided they would give him a good home, so off he went to live with his newly acquired family.

For those of us who stayed overnight on Saturday, the morning was cold and white. A heavy frost had covered our Fun Fair grounds. Barb and Jo prepared an excellent breakfast and then took us on a tour of their beautiful 30 acres.

The Fun Fair was a success. Even though the turn out was small, the enthusiasm was great!

See you all next year!!

Heather Schrott suggests there is a real need for a "Rent-a-Groomer" program to aid those of us whose Briards have "Matsitosis".

NEW MAGAZINE TO FEATURE BRIARDS - Pets & People of the World will carry a feature on the Briard in its February issue, due out in December. The feature, titled "Color Them French" was written by Don Lane, who reports the art work is beautiful. Copies may be obtained by sending \$2.00 to Mr. Lane, c/o the magazine at 1325 Chestnut St., San Francisco, CA 94123. BRIARD HEALTH AND WELFARE

EAR DISEASES IN DOGS

Ear diseases in dogs fall into two catagories; those involving the external part of the ear and those involving infections of the middle ear.

Otitis externa (inflamation of the external ear) can be caused by injury (eg. scratching), drafts (eg. hanging the head out of the car window), presence of foreign body (eg. grass seed), or infestation with ear mites. It is seen more frequently in Briards with uncropped ears, as the ear flap covers the ear and allows the original infection to fester. Accumulation of ear wax and hair in the ear also encourages infection.

A dog with otitis externa usually shakes his head, scratches at his ears and indicates pain when his ears are touched. He may hold his head to one side indicating that his lower ear is infected.

Ear canker is a disease of the external ear manifested initially by a watery discolored discharge. As the infection progresses, the discharge becomes black and tar-like, indicating the presence of blood and finally it becomes purulent and odorous and may ulcerate.

A hematoma of the ear flap (blood blister) can be caused by scratcheing. Small ones may heal themselves, but large ones usually require surgery.

Ear mange is an external ear infection manifested by a black, tar-like discharge. It is caused by ear mites, which are related to the mites which cause skin mange.

Removing excess hair and wax from the ear canal is helpful in preventing external ear infections. Excess ear wax can be removed by filling the ear canal with olive oil, gently massaging it deep into the ear, and then gently swabbing the ear clean with cotton swabs. Do not probe deeply into the ear.

In all cases of external ear disease, a veterinarian should be consulted for proper treatment as soon as symptoms appear.

Otitis media (inflamation of the middle ear) is usually a result of otitis externa which penetrates the ear drum, or the spread of a throat infection by way of the eustachian tubes. The dog may have otitis externa as well.

In addition to the symptoms of external ear disease, a dog with middle ear infection will probably not be eating well, may walk in circles and have balance problems. Otitis media is a frequent cause of deafness in dogs and should te treated by a veterinarian as soon as it is suspected.

> Evy Wegienka Medical Committee Chairman

TRIBUTES TO THE DOG

A SUPERIOR COMPANION

Dogs are much superior to human beings as companions. They do not quarrel or argue with you. They never talk about themselves but listen to you while you talk about yourself, and keep up an appearance of being interested in the conversation. They never make stupid remarks.

They never say unkind things. They never tell us our faults, "merely for our own good". They do not at inconvenient moments mildly remind us of our pastfollies and mistakes. They never inform us, as our inamoratas sometimes do, that we are not nearly so nice as we used to be. We are always the same to them. He is very imprudent, a dog is. He never makes it his business to inquire whether you are in the right or the wrong, never bothers as to whether you are going up or down upon life's ladder, never asks whether you are rich or poor, silly or wise, sinner or saint. You are his pal. That is enough for him, and come luck or misfortune, good repute or bad, honor or shame, he is going to stick to you, to comfort you, guard you, give his life for you, if need be -- foolish, brainless, soulless dog!

Jerome K. Jerone

::: AT PEACE

If a man does not soon pass beyone the thought: "By what shall this dog profit me?" into the large state of simple gladness to be with the dog, he shall never know the very essence of that companionship which depends, not on the points of a dog, but on some strange and subtle mingling of mute spirits. For it is by muteness that a dog becomes for one, so utterly beyond value; with him one is at peace, where words play no torturing tricks. When he just sits loving and knows that he is being loved, those are the moments that I think are precious to a dog;-- when, with his adoring soul coming through his eyes, he feels that you are really thinking of him.

John Galsworthy

HOLIDAY GREETINGS

ODE TO BETSY'S HAIR

Betsy's hair is like the night It softly mantles all in sight Shining, pure and light as air Is Betsy's hair.

Where the morning brightly gleams Floating in the warm sunbeams You will surely be aware Of Betsy's hair.

Where the coffee gently perks Beside the orange juice there lurks Buttered toast beyond compare Faintly laced with Betsy's hair.

The plain grey skirt, discard for tweed Of pure white gloves you've no real need Remember well the rug, the chair Will doubtless wear, and wear, and wear Reinforced with Betsy's hair.

And when at last your bed you seek Down pillow for a grateful cheek Ah, what so bright, so calm, so fair Puff it gently---Betsy's hair.

Mrs. William Frackleton



FROM THE MONCLOVA BRIARD GANG

MANNY & JEAN

JACK, LOTTI, NIBBLES, OLIVE, JILL & POO BEAR



JABOT -THE COMMANDER

Fran and Bob Jaylor - Rockford 12 and Sturgeon Bay WI

Jabot says:

The captain and crew of the sloop "Irranquil" wish you all

BOB-THE SKIPPER

Happy Sailing 1979



LIEBCHEN-PETTY OFFICER



DILLYDOWN DAPHNE-SAFETY OFFICER



FRAN- GALLEY STEWARD

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HI! MY NAME IS WECO. I want to wish everyone in the Briard Community a very MERRY CHRISTMAS

and

a very SPECIAL THANKS to

BOB AND BETH HOWARD

for the warm and loving home they chose for me. It will shelter me this Christmas and all my Christmas' to come.



a MERRY CHRISTMAS from my family Sally, Bob, Granny and Cricket The JOHNSTON's

seasons greetings



UNDERDOG

FROM ALL OF US TO ALL OF YOU THE ZINGSHEIM'S

PHIL, JAN, GINA UNDERDOG, AIMEE NADIA, NIGHTMARE

Merry Christmas





FROM BOB BOELTER · VICKI-SHADOW



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Mouchka Lorelei And

The Schotte

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Hooking forward to Christmas -



Like they look forward to every day! JOY Raisin Bubba Cain Black Sheep Marilee Clark Mary Ann Lathrop

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Health, Happiness, Success.



Happy Holidays! Bandit, Peaches, O.Z., Dauntless, Bill and

HOLIDAY JOY



Ken and Cece Collins ... Nellice "Hilda". 75 Inwood Road Bunny "Ben Jant Darien, Conn. 06820 "Bunny", Mar gant

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Christmas at Lynch's



Ben-"But I didn't ask for a new brother and sister." <u>Meriah</u> - "Do & get today off?" <u>Lucy</u> - "I smell a bone under that the somewhere!" <u>Reggie</u> - (pictured at Ma's 24 hour diner) " <u>Chis Kmas dinner tastes just</u> like all the other's!" - Best Miches for the Wew Gear! -





Bellasprit Rarquois "Woody" Lee Morin

Best Wishes for a Happy and Healthy New Year



from Ecar's Briards and their family Carol, Gene, Sharon, David, Debby and Joel Steiner





A Christmas Kiss Under a "mistle Toe" of Poision Ivy !!!! Oh Well; They are Polish Briards

Lamont Wegienka & Friends (EVY, Lavry, John & Diane Wegienka)





Now, and for all Seasons!

MAY and JACK GIANCASPRO Blackie age 11 Solail De marka age 91/2

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Stonehill's I'm Nifty Stonehill's I'm Nikolas

Richard and Gabriella Birkholz 1832 LaSalle St. Racine, Wisc.







LINDA AND ROB BRIGHTON, MICHIGAN



NOTRE MAGIC GENIE DE LINDEAU (left) is shown after winning a 3 point major at Pontiac K.C. under judge, Mary Lou Tingley. She was shown to Best of Winners for the major by owner, Linda Bullard (center) and was bred by Linda Wells (right).

FILLE D'ABBAYE C.D. (right) captured a 4 point major at Land 0 Lakes K.C., 6/11/78 under Melbourne Downing.

Abby, who is owned by Jane Beahan and handled by Shelli Flesland, took a second major at Badger K.C. on 7/2/78 under judge, Mr. Robert Wills.



BELLESPRIT MIDNIGHT SPECIAL is pictured at the left after being awarded a 4 point major, Best of Winners and Best of Breed at Trumbull County K.C. under Mr. Richard Renihan on 9/24/78.

He won another 4 point major on Sept. 23 under Mr. Theodore Gundersen with Best of Winners and Best of Opposite Sex. He is owned and handled by Heather Schrott.

DECEMBER 1978

NEW COMPANION DOG



ARGENT ROI DE BRIOLETTE, C.D. (dog)

Companion Dog Title: August 6, 1978

Whelped: May 14, 1977

Sire: Ch. Pa'Chick's Intermezzo, Dam: Briolette de la Montagne,

(Ch. Proud Rebel de Marha X Ch. Pa'Chick's Unchained X Ch. Pa'Chick's Unchained X Ramayana de St. Chermain)

Judge: Mr. Hugh MacLean Trained & Handled by owner

CD

Owner: Mary W. Ake Breeder: Owner



CHAMPION CHATEAUBRIARD NELLIE (bitch)

Owner: Cece Collins

Breeders: Cece Collins and Jane Mathews

Championship: August 6, 1978

Whelped: February 5, 1977

Sire: Ch. Umbi Chabiv de Dam: Ch. Chateaubriard Joyride Strathcona C.D.

(Ch. Tres Bien Chez Rogues de Brie X G'Veret Kahlbah, UD) (Ch. Pythias Chez Phydeau X Ch. Chateaubriard Vichyssoise)

Judge: Mr. John Stanek Handled by Cece

DECEMBER 1978

CD

Melody)

NEW CHAMPION





NEW CHAMPION

CHAMPION CHATEAUBRIARD L'OREAL UN (dog)

Owners: Leila Rittmaster and Breeders: Cece & Ken Collins Cece Collins

Championship: August 6, 1978

Whelped: June 15, 1975

- Dam: Ch. Seigneuse from Shiel Sire: Ch. Chateaubriard Jus d'Orange (Ch. Pythias Chez Phydeau X Ch. Phydeaux Theda Bara) (Desamee Beau Bear X

Sans Souci from Shiel)

Judge: Mr. John Stanek

Handled by Leila

Owners: Ron & Sheri Daniel Breeders: Ann & John Vaughn Championship: September 2, 1978

CHAMPION NE JEAN-PAUL DE LONGCHAMP (dog)

Whelped: February 9, 1977

Sire: Iouki de la Petite Suisse Dam: Jole la Berger de du Nord Charlemagne

Ch. Vony de la Plaine St. Just)

(Ch. Uto d'El Pastre X

(Vaillant de la Petite Suisse du Nord X Tara de la Petit Suisse du Nord)

Judge: Rutledge Gilliland

Handled by Ron

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NEW CHAMPION







CHAMPION MONTARGIS DE LINDEAU (dog)	UNIQUE NOE DE VIEILLE VILLE, C.D. (dog)
Owner: Linda Wells Breeder: Owner <u>Championship: September 10, 1978</u>	Owner: Cindy Gray Breeders: Laurie Kay Miner
Whelped: March 14, 1976	Obedience Title: September 24, 1978
Sire: Vin Marque de Grand Coeur Dam: Ch. Iaime Widgette de Lindeau (Ch. Pa'Chick's Rebel Deux X Ch. Saucy Sally Chez de Benadaret) Ch. Vina-Woofi de Grand Coeur X Ch. Strathcona's Blac Magic Woman, CD)	Whelped: April 20, 1977 Sire: Ch. Stonehill's I'm Henri Dam: Ch. Unique Mag (Ch. Uffin Berger du Nord X (Ch. Syre du Val de Ch. Flogan Variety Sho X Ch. Rochelle de M Stonehill)
Judge: Mrs. Moore Handled by owner	Trained & handled by

Breeders: Laurie Kay & Gerrie Miner

Henri Dam: Ch. Unique Magie du Nord CD (Ch. Syre du Val de Reuil, CD X Ch. Rochelle de Marha, UD)

Trained & handled by owner

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NEW COMPANION DOG



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

Owners: Charles & Pat Long Breeders: Owners

Obedience Title: September 30, 1978

Whelped: August 9, 1975

Sire:	Am/Can. Ch.	Pa	'Chick's		Dam:	Am/Can.	Ch.	Reine	des	Flfes	
	Impresario,	Am	CDX/Can.	CD		de Malo			460	LIICS	

(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 & handled by Pat

NEW CAN/AM. COMPANION DOG



CH. PA'CHICK'S MS-BE-HAVEN, AM/CAN. C.D. (bitch)

Owners: Margaret & Susan Breeders: Susan McCormick and Charles Long

American Title: September 30, 1978

Canadian Title: October 1, 1978

Whelped: September 16, 1976

Sire: Ch. Pa'Chick's Rebel Deux Dam: Am/Can. Ch. Pa'Chick's Jezebel

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

Handled & Trained by Sue

(Ch. Ralph des Elfes de Malouse, C.D. X Ch. Reine des Elfes de Malouse)

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STUD DOG COLUMN

CH. JABOT LE BONHEUR D'HTE COUTURE, black, 5/10/74. CERF 132/78-51. 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, Planes met Madison, Milwaukee or Chicago, (12/79)

CH. MONTARGIS DE LINDEAU, black, 3/14/76, 0FA-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 Widgette 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. (8/79)

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LOOKING FOR PUPPIES?

CALIFORNIA

Yvonne Wright, 879 Dwight Ave., Sunnyvale, CA 94086 (408/739-2469) blacks/tawnies due December

DEL AWARE

Meg Weitz/Michael Greenberg, 1312 Oberlin Rd., Wilmington, DE 19803 (302/475-2307).

MICHIGAN

Bob & Marie Herd, 9607 Katherine, Taylor, MI 48108 (313/772-3897) tawnies whelped mid-November.

Susan McCormick, 25743 Culver, St. Clair Shores, MI 48081 (313/772-3897) tawnies due January.

MINNESOTA

Jane Beahan, 29965 Innsbrook, Stacy, MN 55079 (612/257-4407) blacks/tawnies due November.

Susan Erickson, Rt. 5, Box 145, Mankato, MN 56001 (507/388-3282) blacks/tawnies whelped mid-September

Dick & Mimi Long, 63 1st Ave. North, Duluth, MN 55803 (218/724-7986) Black males whelped late October.

NEW JERSEY

Marie & Monroe Kokin, 318-C Windsor Road, Robbinsville, NJ 08691 (609/448-0472) blacks/tawnies due January

NEW YORK

John Santora, Box 142-B RD #1, West Monroe, NY 13167 (315/668-3596) tawnies whelped mid-October.

Fave Sloan, 254 N. Pascack Road, Spring Valley, NY 10977 (212/666-6090) tawnies whelped mid-October.

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