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REPORT OF THE AKC DELEGATE

The regular meeting of the Delegates to the AKC was held on June 13, 1978. Other than routine meeting items there were no significant issues to be voted upon. Several announcements were made and they are reported below:

-Proposed Field Trial Rule changes affecting Brittany Spaniels and Bassets were announced. They will be published in the AKC Gazettes for July and August and will be voted upon at the Sept. meeting.

-A meeting of licensed superintendents and the AKC staff was held in May. It was reported that much fruitful discussion took place. One step resulted in the preparation of a new show entry form to be used jointly with the old style until Sept. 1, 1978, when the new form only must be used. The major revision of the form is the deletion of the space for handler information.

-Response to a Gazette readership survey has been extremely high, but no results are ready yet.

-A new format for show results in the Gazette was introduced. The new format is different (and better) than the recent experimental style.

Arthur M. Tingley

ANNUAL TREASURER'S REPORT

JULY 1, 1977 through JUNE 30, 1978

OPENING BALANCE - \$5,041.92

Income	
Dues -----	\$2,662.50
Memb. applications ----	237.50
Dew Claw	
Subscriptions (747.50)	
Back issues (22.00)	
Ads (255.00)	
Stud Dog Column (30.00)	
Total-----	1,054.50
Medical Fund -----	378.83
Memorial -----	20.00
'77 Calendars -----	4.50
'78 Calendars -----	652.75
Brochures -----	23.75
Ear glue -----	6.00
Rescue Fund -----	500.00
Misc.-----	8.06
Return of advance for T.F.H. books -----	72.00
'74 Rass. Reports ----	63.00
Purchase left-over trophies by Yankee	
Briard Club-----	49.00
Overpayment exchange--	9.12
Overpayment ads & dues -	5.00
Novelty Shoppe -----	4.94
50th Anniversary	
Catalog ads -----	625.00
Rass. entries -----	305.00
Donations -----	1,955.00
P.R.A. eye clinic ---	44.00
Interest -----	160.83
	<u>\$8,841.28</u>

Opening Balance	\$5,041.92
Income	8,841.28
	<u>\$13,883.20</u>
Expenses	7,851.25
Balance-----	<u>\$6,031.95</u>

Charity Fund	\$1,114.23
Medical Fund	371.33
Rescue Fund	128.78
Operating Balance	4,417.61
	<u>\$6,031.95</u>

Expenses	
Dew Claw	
Printing -----	\$1,782.00
Postage -----	761.00
Labels, envelopes, D/C paper, glue, & sealing stickers-----	66.40
Medical Committee Fund ---	7.50
Other printing -----	271.89
Dues, Advertising & Ins.--	291.20
President's expenses-----	64.70
Treasurer's supplies ----	27.74
Treasurer's postage ----	94.57
Secretary's supplies ----	72.95
Secretary's postage ----	118.76
'78 Calendars -----	390.00
Calendar postage -----	88.13
Brochure postage -----	11.41
Rescue Fund -----	165.62
Misc.-----	3.91
Flowers -----	51.55
Plaques & boxes-----	395.66
Plates, engraving & shipping of plaques ---	159.31
Calculator -----	94.62
Audit -----	250.00
Decals -----	352.43
Overpayment-subs., ads, & dues -----	25.00
Novelty Shoppe -----	4.52
Election expenses ----	100.26
Air line ticket (to be refunded)-----	538.00
Bad check '77 Specialty dinner-----	25.50
Constitution & Oct. D/C letter addressing and postage-----	116.00
50th Anniversary	
Allowance -----	500.00
Advertising -----	107.64
Air line ticket -----	538.00
Thank you notes -----	6.77
Catalog, prem. list, entry forms & evaluation sheets -----	184.37
Show Secretary expenses--	140.00
Bank Charges -----	43.84

\$7,851.25

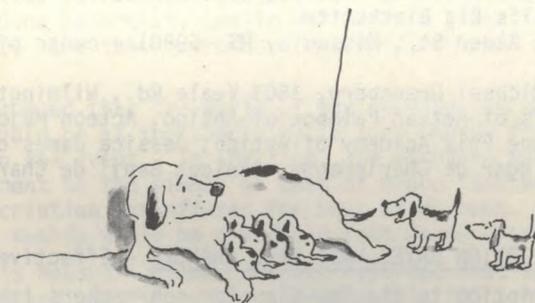
Respectfully submitted by Patricia Long

TREASURER'S REPORT - May 1, 1978 through June 30, 1978

Opening Balance \$6,683.36

INCOME		EXPENSES	
Dues -----	\$100.00	Dew Claw - April & June-	\$558.95
Dew Claw		Postage & addressing	
Subscriptions -----	97.50	for June-----	141.10
Back issues -----	9.00	Glue & mailing stickers--	4.10
Ads -----	23.00	Misc.	
Medical Fund - from		balance on decals ----	177.43
Briard Club of Northern		election -----	100.26
California-----	177.07	Airline Ticket (to be refunded)-----	538.00
Buckeye Briards -----	40.00	Refund to Boelter for his payment of bad check	
Misc.		received on '77 banquet	25.50
Overpayment of exchange	5.55	overpayment of dues ----	2.50
Overpayment of dues	2.50	Club insurance -----	125.00
Address labels from		Treasurer's Bond -----	25.00
Boelter/Howard-----	5.51	Other printing -----	45.71
'78 Calendars -----	17.50	Treasurer's postage ----	1.42
Brochures -----	6.50	Secretary's supplies-----	9.71
Interest -----	59.69	Secretary's postage ----	28.00
50th Anniversary		Calendar postage -----	2.87
Catalog ads -----	625.00	Brochure postage -----	2.37
Rass. entries -----	305.00	Bank charges	
Donations -----	510.00	checks -----	2.00
Eye Clinic -----	44.00	exchange -----	12.25
	<u>\$2,027.82</u>	50th Anniversary	
Opening Balance	\$6,683.36	Advertising, Rass. entry	
Income	2,027.82	forms, evaluation sheets,	
	<u>8,711.18</u>	& premium list-----	199.06
Expenses	2,679.23	Airline ticket (Liguine)	538.00
Balance	<u>\$6,031.95</u>	Show Sec. expenses ----	140.00
			<u>\$2,679.23</u>

Respectfully submitted by Patricia A. Long, Treasurer



Jerry Marcus

"Is it okay, Mom? I brought a friend to lunch."

SECRETARY'S REPORT

WE WELCOME THE FOLLOWING NEW MEMBERS

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Jill Carruthers, Petrie Road, Bridgeport, NY 13030

ADDRESS CHANGES

Yvonne C. Lacy, Place du Verger, 06640 St. Jeannet, France
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Josephine Steinberg, P.O. Box 374, Antioch, IL 60002
Mr. & Mrs. Charles Wheeler, 101 E. St. S.E. #1, Washington, DC 20003

APPLICATIONS - first publication

Norman and Allyn Karshmer, 3611 Forest Grove Ave., Baltimore, MD 21207 - owners of Ch. Chateaubriard Norman M.
Julia and Sev MacPete, 23 McCarthy Rd., Park Forest, IL 60466 - owners of Stonehill's I'm Mandy.
Judith Meggitt, 1348 N. Lucero St., Camarillo, CA 93010
John A. Santora, Box 142-B, R.D. #1, West Monroe, NY 13167 - owner of Beau Cheval's Big Blacksmith.
Ellen Shea, 615 Alder St., Missoula, MT 59801 - owner of Mercedes Mon Ami.
Meg Weitz and Michael Greenberg, 1803 Veale Rd., Wilmington, DE 19810 - owners of Acteon Faience of Antigo, Acteon Majolica of Antigo, Bejaune Prix Academy of Antigo, Jessica James de l'Etat d'Or, Just Tigger de Charlemagne, Janicot Benji de Charlemagne.

NOTICE

DEW CLAW SUBSCRIPTION RATES HAVE BEEN CHANGED - Effective immediately, a 1 year subscription to the Dew Claw for non-members is \$7.00; a special rate of \$5.00 is available to breeders, who wish to buy a subscription for each puppy buyer. Back issues, when available are \$1.00 ea. plus 50¢ postage.

ELECTION RESULTS -

Officers and Directors for the '78/'79 Club year are:

President: Philip McNelis - Vice-President: Philip Zingsheim - Secretary: Diane McLeroth - Treasurer: Patricia Long - Directors (Class of '79) Ada Marley; Pat Morale; Mary Lou Tingley. Directors (Class of '80) Bob Boelter; Carole Jobe; Ed Konrath. Past President: Jayne Dubin.

338 ballots were sent out and 235 ballots were cast. These were received, counted and reported by Creative Secretarial Service, Ft. Wayne, IN. Ballots shall be available for inspection for at least 90 days. The certified vote count is as follows:

<u>For the Office of Vice-President</u>	<u>For Directors - two year term</u>
Philip Zingsheim----- 162	Bob Boelter ----- 176
Jayne Dubin ----- 71	Carole Jobe ----- 160
Abstentions ----- 2	Ed Konrath ----- 198
	June Shew ----- 128
<u>For the Office of Secretary</u>	Voted for 2 only ----- 20
Diane McLeroth ----- 169	Voted for 1 only ----- 8
Arthur Tingley ----- 63	Abstained ----- 1
Abstentions ----- 3	

MINUTES - 1978 ANNUAL MEETING OF THE BRIARD CLUB OF AMERICA

The Annual Meeting of the Briard Club of America was held at the Holiday Inn, West, Toledo, OH on August 5, 1978. The meeting was called to order at 10:10 p.m. by President, Jayne Dubin. A quorum of 51 was surpassed with over 100 Members in attendance and about 50 guests.

Jayne Dubin commented on the success of the Rassemblement/Specialty weekend and extended her thanks to Specialty Chairman, Steve Feller; Obedience Chairman, Jan Zingsheim; Show Secretary, Midge Fish; and Rassemblement Chairman, Louise Cohen.

Manny Littin moved that the assembly dispense with the reading of the Minutes of the previous meeting, which were printed in the weekend program. The motion was seconded and approved.

Patricia Long moved that the Minutes be approved as published. The motion was seconded and approved.

Jayne pointed out several sketches and drawings on the walls, which had been done by artist, Leslie Hall, for an illustrated standard of the Briard. She then introduced Ms. Hall, who was a guest at the meeting.

Jayne announced that the World of the Working Dog magazine representatives would be at the Specialty to take photos for a feature article on the event. In addition, the magazine had offered a free advertisement to the winner of Best of Breed (\$85 value) and a one-year subscription was offered for Best of Winners. The certificates for these awards would be available from Jayne after the show.

Secretary's Report: Diane McLeroth reported that the BCA Membership is now 338 and that there are approximately 200 subscribers to the Dew Claw, the number of subscribers varying from month to month.

She also reported that two Briard puppies have been found in pet shops, one in Baltimore, MD and one in Bloomington, IL. The puppy in Baltimore was bred by Myra Savage of Cedarcroft Kennels in

Salem, Iowa and the shop is asking \$600 for the puppy. It is not yet known who bred and sold the puppy to the Bloomington pet shop but the price for that puppy is \$250. Diane pointed out that this is a matter which should be of grave concern to Briarders everywhere.

Treasurer's Report: Pat Long announced that the Annual Report had also been printed in the weekend program and asked if there were any questions. There were none.

AKC Delegates Report: Jayne Dubin read a report from Delegate, Arthur Tingley, who was not present at the meeting.

Specialty Chairman, Steve Feller thanked everyone attending for their support of the 50th Anniversary Weekend, saying that each and every person present had helped to make the events successful. He then thanked all those who had helped with the Specialty, especially Jan Zingsheim, Obedience Chairman; Alice Bixler Clark, Photographer; Ira Ackerson, Advertising; Manny Littin and Jean Heft, Facilities and who had handled so many other details; Mary Lou Tingley, Trophies; Louise Cohen, Chief Ring Steward, who had also obtained the ring equipment and ribbons; Ron and Sheri Daniel, who had made the lovely lucite gifts for the judges and chairmen; Dr. Wyman, speaker and both Dr. and Mrs. Wyman for their work with the eye clinic; Lee Paradise, who designed the Briard logo used throughout the 50th Anniversary; Midge Fish, Show Secretary; Janet Couture, Flowers; Pat Long for collecting and dispensing funds; John Alexander who had done so many miscellaneous tasks; Sue McCormick, Eye Clinic Chairman; Karen Rangus, Banquet and Reception Chairman; Sonia Collander, Door Prizes; Diane McLeroth, head coordinator; Jayne Feller, Hospitality and Holiday Inn's Barb Gearig, who had worked steadily to make everyone comfortable and everything go smoothly.

Louise Cohen expressed thanks to all who had attended and helped with the Rassemblement. She announced the M. Liguine had evaluated about 150 Briards.

The Medical Committee's Eye Clinic Chairman, Sue McCormick announced that 91 dogs had been checked over the weekend and it does not appear that any P.R.A. was found.

Rescue Committee Chairman, Pat Long reported that at least 10 Briards had been placed in new homes by the Club in the past year. She extended special thanks to Marie Kokin, Pat Martin, Evie Wegienka and Bob and Beth Howard, who had helped with the placement of Briards. She also reported three older Briards in need of homes at the moment.

Historian, John Alexander announced that a few new items had been added to the historical collection, which would be on display at the Specialty.

Junior Showmanship Chairman, Regina Keiter reported that a number of young people are now working with Briards in Junior Showmanship. She mentioned Sue Karshmer, Debbi Steiner, Amy Vetrone, JoAnn Dubin and herself as having been active in the past year.

Jayne Dubin asked the assembly for a round of applause for Regina, who had been the first Junior to qualify for the Westminster competition in Junior Showmanship with a Briard.

Jayne Dubin then asked the Secretary for the results of the Election. Diane announced that the officers and Directors for the '78/79 Club

year are: President, Phil McNelis; Vice-President, Phil Zingsheim; Secretary, Diane McLeroth; Treasurer, Pat Long; Directors for one year, Ada Marley, Pat Morale, Mary Lou Tingley; Directors for two years - Bob Boelter, Carole Jobe, Ed Konrath; and Past-President, Jayne Dubin.

Jayne Dubin then turned the meeting over to the new President, Phil McNelis.

Phil complimented the Club on how much had been accomplished with the planning of the Rassemblement/Specialty in the past year and extended thanks to Past-President, Jayne Dubin. He then presented the Awards of Merit to those who had finished a Briard to an A.K.C. obedience title or championship in the past year.

There being no unfinished business brought before the assembly, Phil asked for any new business.

Ira Ackerson commented that he thought it was unfortunate how the Club has been run in the first 50 years and expressed a hope that the next 50 years would be better. He said he believed the concentration of power is unfortunate. He then suggested: a) that there be two secretaries because it is too much work for one person, stating there could be a recording and corresponding secretary; b) that the country should be divided and have a representative elected from each region to give representation to different regions; c) that a membership chairman be appointed to unburden the Secretary.

He added that Diane McLeroth may be well-meaning but has too much to do and asked the Board to consider amending the By-Laws to include his suggestions.

There being no further discussion on these suggestions, Phil McNelis commented that during the first 50 years of the B.C.A., the Club has been small and often those on the Board have been the only ones willing to work. However, he stated that he hoped more Members will volunteer to help in the future.

The chair recognized Cece Collins, who asked what would be done about future specialties. She suggested that a show committee be set up to work on specialties for at least 2 years in advance.

Phil McNelis commented that would not be possible for '79 but added that he would suggest to the Board that a show chairman be appointed for at least the next two or three specialties. He suggested that the Membership could be surveyed for suggestions.

He then asked the assembly if they wanted to hold an independent specialty in '79. There was favorable response, however, it was pointed out that many were undecided and wanted to see the financial reports from this year's specialty before a decision was made.

Fran Taylor suggested that the next independent specialty could be in conjunction with an all-breed show to make a two show weekend.

Sue McCormick asked if the location of the '79 specialty had been selected.

The President responded that a date and place had not been set but to conform to the By-Laws it would be held in August.

Linda Hysell commented that the Dobe Club holds an independent each year and always comes out ahead financially. Phil McNelis pointed out that the Dobe Club has a greater potential for entries than BCA.

Ed Konrath pointed out that the Region for an independent specialty should be financially feasible and that there must be enough people in the area willing to work on the event.

Phil McNelis stated that the Membership will be polled to decide the locations of the future specialties.

Walter Stewart announced that he had had hip replacement surgery done on his dysplastic Briard. The dog had been severely handicapped by dysplasia, but since the surgery, the atrophied muscles had regained much of their muscle tone and the dog was no longer uncomfortable.

John Alexander asked if the amended Constitution and By-Laws will be printed and mailed to the Membership. Phil McNelis reported that this would be done, however, it has been delayed pending one potential amendment on discipline.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:15 p.m. on a motion by Ken Collins.

Attest:
Diane McLeroth, Secretary

BOARD ACTION

The following Chairmen were appointed:
Medical Committee Chairman - Evie Wegienka
Historian - John Alexander
Rescue Committee - Heather Schrott

Still pending:

A.K.C. Delegate
A.D.O.A. Delegate
Education Committee Chairman
Junior Showmanship Chairman

Dew Claw subscription rates were increased to \$5 to cover printing & mailing costs. A special subscription rate of \$5 is to be offered to breeders, who wish to buy the bulletin for puppy buyers. Back issues are to be \$1.00 plu 50¢ mailing. The vote was unanimous.

Interpretation of By-Laws - It was voted that the immediate Past-President does not nullify the automatic seat on the Board for one year by running for another position in the election. It was recommended that if the position of Past-Pres. was to be cancelled when the individual ran for another position in the election, that this should be clearly stated in the By-Laws. There were no dissenting votes.

Illustrated Standard - A program was established for proceeding with the work on the Illustrated Standard. It was voted to pay Leslie Hall \$400 for her work but that more could be allotted if needed at a later date. There were no dissenting votes.

Nominating Committee - It was voted unanimously to pay the 1978 Nominating Committee's phone bill.

Upcoming Specialties - Marie Kokin was appointed to chair the 1979 Specialty. It was voted to hold the '79 Specialty at the Sand and Sea Kennel Club to be held on August 12, 1978 in New Jersey.

It was voted to plan the 1980 Specialty for the West Coast and that the Membership would be polled for volunteers to work on the show.

LIST OF SUGGESTED SPECIALTY JUDGES

The following judges have been suggested by Members to be considered for judging future specialties. Your additions or comments are requested, and should be sent to the Secretary.

Due to the limited time, it is not possible to take a vote of the Membership on the '79 Specialty judge. However, your comments on those listed or additional suggestions, if enough Members respond, can be of great help to the Board in selecting the '79 judge.

Selection of the judge should consider: knowledge of and interest in the Briard; Impartiality; and whether the judge will draw a large entry from widespread areas.

Another point which unfortunately must be considered is the cost to the Club for this judge. If the judge works for expenses, does the judge live in reasonable proximity to the show, or would the expense for air fare be prohibitive? If the judge asks a fee, how much would it be? This can vary considerably from one judge to another.

Let your voice be heard - Send your suggestions to the Board in care of the Secretary, today.

ADAMSON, Peggy - Roslyn Heights, NY
BOSOLD, Connie - Milan, IL
BRACY, Edward - Memphis, TN
DEMIDOFF, Mrs. Nicholas - Fitzwilliam, NH
DOWNING, Melbourne T.L. - Timonium, MD
EVERS, Eleanore - Winfield, WV
FISHER, Helen Miller - Lake Elmo, MN
FORSBERG, Anna Mae - Ashland, MA
GAMBLE, Ellsworth, Fremont, CA
GATELY, Thomas - Pineville, PA
GREGORY, Joseph - Ft. Lauderdale, FL
HAMILTON, Charles - Omaha, NE
HECKMAN, Winifred - Stevenson, MD
HISER, Velma - Grinnel, IA
JONES, Mrs. John Marshall - Palm Beach, FL
KEYES, Sally - Asheboro, NC
KODNER, Mrs. Lesley - Highland Park, IL
OWEN, Johannah Kench - Secane, PA
PETERSON, Kenneth - Wood Dale, IL
RAYNE, Derek - Carmel-by-the-Sea, CA
SKARDA, Langdon - Clovis, NM
STANEK, John - Columbus, NJ
TINGLEY, Mary Lou - Mendham, NJ
VANDEVENTER, Rex - Omaha, NE
WARD, Robert - Calapasas, CA
WATERS, Robert - Peachland, BC, Canada
WOOLFE, Arnold - Ellsworth, ME

SPECIALTY CATALOGS
AVAILABLE!

The 50th Anniversary Rassemblement/Specialty is now history and will be remembered as a tremendous success. Spectacular attendance by more than 150 Briards and well over 200 Briarders made it the largest event in our Club's history - a wonderful record for this important anniversary.

Those of you who could not attend, do not have to miss out on everything, however. The Specialty Catalog is available for anyone interested in having a souvenir and record of the show.

The catalog has many fine photos of current Briards, together with the good wishes of many Briard fanciers; the complete entry for the show and "Notes from Briard History" which will be of interest to every Briarder. Included in the history are photos of Briards from the turn of the century, the first Briard champion of AKC record and other noted Briards in this country. A list of the first Briards registered by the A.K.C. gives parentage, dates of birth, colors and owners, who were the pioneers of our Breed, and was gleaned from AKC archives and microfilm records for this catalog.

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RASSEMBLEMENT REPORT CATALOGS

A report catalog on the '78 Rassemblement is being planned and will be made available to anyone interested. The report will give M. Liguine's evaluation of each dog, together with a photo of the dog.

WATCH THE DEW CLAW FOR INFORMATION ON PRICE OF THE REPORT AND HOW YOU CAN ORDER YOUR COPY.

NEWS AND VIEWS.....

EAST SIDE STORY

Congratulations to the following new champions:

CHAMPION EXTASY OF ALPEN, owned by Chris Ackerson and bred by Alice Kent, finished at Bucks County on May 6 with a 4 point major. "Luvi" is out of Impie du Lac de Bethmale and sired by Ch. Sultan d'Esprit.

CHAMPION CHATEAUBRIARD NORMAN M., owned by Norman and Allyn Karshmer, also finished with a 4 point major at Bucks County. "Nickie" was sired by Ch. Umbi Chabiv de Strathcona, out of Ch. Chateaubriard Joyride and was bred by Cece Collins and Jane Mathews.

CHAMPION LE BEAUCHIEN'S MARIE ANGE, bred by Marie and Monroe Kokin and owned by Dave Tooker and Monroe Kokin finished at Trenton on May 7 with a 5 point major. She is out of Ch. Bellesprit Fille Vendredi and sired by Ch. Pa'Chick's Rebel Deux.

CHAMPION JUST TIGGER DE CHARLEMAGNE, owned by Meg Weitz, Michael Greenburg and Scott Vetrone finished his championship on June 10, 1978 at Greenwich K.C. with Best of Winners. "Tigger" has been handled by Mike except for his first win. He was sired by Ch. Uto d'el Pastre out of Ch. Vony de la Plaine St. Just and bred by Charles Vetrone.

CHAMPION JESSICA JAMES DE L'ETAT D'OR owned by Meg Weitz and Dorothy Vetrone and Amy Vetrone finished her championship at York K.C. on July 23 with Winners Bitch and Best of Winners. Jessica was bred by Don Thompson out of Ch. Pa'Chick's Upsie Daisy and sired by Ch. Phydeaux Quelques.

CHAMPION LE BEAUCHIEN'S MELISAND, owned and bred by Marie and Monroe Kokin finished her championship on August 6, 1978 at Hunterdon Hills under judge, Henry Stoecker. She is out of Ch. Bellesprit Fille Vendredi and was sired by Ch. Pa'Chick's Rebel Deux.

CHAMPION CHATEAUBRIARD NELLIE owned by Cece Collins and bred by Cece Collins and Jane Mathews finished her championship with a 5 point major at the B.C.A. Specialty on Aug. 6. "Nellie" is out of Ch. Chateaubriard Joyride and sired by Ch. Umbi Chabiv de Strathcona, C.D.

CHAMPION CHATEAUBRIARD L'OREAL UN owned by Leila Rittmaster and Cece Collins also finished his championship with a 5 point major at the B.C.A. Specialty. He was bred by Cece and Ken Collins out of Ch. Seigneuse from Shiel and was sired by Ch. Chateaubriard Jus d'Orange.

GROUP PLACINGS - Ch. Jennie d'El Pastre's latest group placings include a Group 2 at Danville, Group 2 at Vacationland, Group 2 at Wilmington, and a Group 4 at Staten Island. Ch. Phydeaux What's Happenin', co-owned by Ira Ackerson and Mary Lou Tingley, took a Group 4 at Furniture City and a Group 3 at Cape Cod. Congratulations!

SHOW REPORTS

Finger Lakes - April 28 - Entry 1/2/2/ judge, Anthony Hodges. Best of Breed, Ch. Phydeaux What's Happenin' (Ackerson-Tingley), Best of Opposite Sex, Ch. Phydeaux Linda Lovelace (Keiter), Best of Winners, Beau Cheval's Big Blacksmith (Santora), Winners Bitch, Berncrest Erma la Deuce (Ives).

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East Side Story - continued

Onondaga - Ap. 29 - Entry 1/2/3 judge, Braithwaite. B.O.B. was Ch. Phydeaux What's Happenin', BOS - Ch. Phydeaux Linda Lovelace, BW - Beau Cheval's Big Blacksmith, WB - Berncrest's Erma la Deuce.

Lancaster - May 14 - Entry 2/4/2. judge, Ramona Jones. BOB - CH. Jennie d'el Pastre; BOS - Ch. St. Briard's Maxwell C. (Liebert); WD - Beau Cheval's Big Blacksmith; BW - Beau Cheval's Sentinelle (Fried).

Olean - May 20 - Entry 1/3/1 - judge, Bernard Esprite. BOB - Ch Phydeaux Linda Lovelace; BOS & BW - Beau Cheval's Big Blacksmith; WB- Bellesprit Meriah (Lynch).

Butler Co. - May 27 - Entry 3/5/2 - Eileen Pimlott. BOB- Ch. Phydeaux Linda Lovelace; BOS- Ch. Beau Cheval's Good Shepherd (Thrasher); WD & BW- Just Tigger de Charlemagne (Weitz & Vetrone), WB- Jessica James de l'Etat d'Or (Weitz & Vetrone).

Trumbull CO. - May 28 - Entry 3/5/3 - judge Kitty Drury. BOB- Ch. Phydeaux Linda Lovelace; BOS- Ch. Beau Cheval's Good Shepherd; BW- Just Tigger de Charlemagne; WB- Ambriance Madrigal (Treleven).

Ladies - May 20 - 8 dogs in competition - judge, Mary Lou Tingley. BOB- Ch. Bellesprit Midnight Cowboy (Fitzpatrick); BOS Ch. Chateaubriard Joie de Vivre (Closner); BW- Chateaubriard L'Oreal Un (Rittmaster); WB- Bon Ami Nutmeg (Zonfrilli)

Plainfield - 28 - judge, W. Heckmann. 2/2/1 in competition. BOB- Ch. Jennie d'El Pastre; BOS, BW- Beau Cheval's Big Blacksmith; WB- Bon Ami Nutmeg.

Forsyth - June 4 - Entry 1/2/1 - judge, Melbourne Downing. BOB Ch. Phydeaux Linda Lovelace; BOS, BW - Ne Jean-Paul de Longchamp (Daniel); WB- Beau Cheval's Cliche (Honeycutt).

Kanadasaga - June 10 - Entry 0/5/1 - judge John Stanek. BOB- Ch. Phydeaux Linda Lovelace; WB-La Tres Belle Chien Andrea (Carruthers).

Bryn Mawr - June 17 - Entry 4/4/3 - judge, Connie Bosold - BOB- Ch. Phydeaux What's Happenin'; BOS-WB- Jessica James de l'Etat d'Or; BW- Beau Cheval's Rigmarole (Lockyer).

Burlington Co. - June 18 - Entry 3/3/3 - judge, W. Kendrick. BOB- Ch. Bellesprit Midnight Cowboy (Fitzpatrick); BOS, BW- Bellesprit Meriah (Lynch); WD- Beau Cheval's Red River (Anderson).

New Brunswick KC - July 3 - entry 2/3/1 - judge, J. Gregory. BOB- Ch. Jennie d'El Pastre; BOS, WD- Ecar Lester Lobot (Steiner); WB- Bon Ami Nutmeg.

Junior Showmanship

Debbie Steiner took two first place wins in Novice Senior Class at Mid-Hudson and Staten Island on June 24 and 25. She also has two fourths at Trenton and Riverhead. Debbie shows Ecar Lester Lobot.

Susan Karshmer captured two first place wins in Novice Senior at Mountaineer and Upper Potomac Valley on July 1 and 2. She shows Ch. Chateaubriard Norman M. Both Debbie and Susan need just one more first in Novice to qualify for the Open Senior Class. Congratulations!

Our daughter, Regina now has four first place wins in Open Senior

Regina also won Best Junior in Show at Central Maine on June 24. She shows Ch. Phydeaux Linda Lovelace. Congratulations.



Regina Keiter (above) is shown after handling Ch. Phydeaux Linda Lovelace at Central Maine and capturing BEST JUNIOR HANDLER IN SHOW.

Mary Lou Tingley reports that she met Bill Chadwick, who is Treasurer of the British Briard Club, at the Staten Island show. Bill was in the States and went to the show hoping to see a large entry of Briards. Unfortunately, there were only three entered.

Well, that's all the news for now. Please send me any information and stories you may have about your Briards, as it is very difficult to write this column without any news.

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FROM CANADA

Jan Charbonneau reports she took "Emily" (Beardsanbrow My Beaux-joli) to her first sanctioned match on Aug. 19 at Grey Bruce Kennel & Obedience Club where she went Best in Working Group and Best Puppy in Group. Just 7 months young, she is out of Ch. Mandeville's O.J. Britt and sired by Jan's Sandor (Ch. Phydeaux Windfall, C.D.).

At Sudbury and District Kennel Club, Beardsanbrow's Noble Prince went W.D. and B.W. Adding to this "Duffy" is rated "good" on his preliminary X-ray by O.F.A. He is owned by Maude Norris.

Jan is currently working Sandor in CDX and hopes to complete his title in both Canada and the U.S. Briarders should be very proud that the Briards which win in the conformation ring (Sandor has multiple Bests in Show in Canada) are also more than capable in the obedience ring. Good luck to Jan and Sandor!

BRIARDS ARE A QUALITY BREED IN A QUANTITY WORLD - LET'S ALL WORK TOGETHER TO KEEP THEM THAT WAY!

It was with deep regret that we learned of the serious fire at the home of Ginny Schaefer who lives in Linwood, Michigan. Most of us know Ginny from the show ring and most of all for her accomplishments in the obedience ring. She and her husband and four children escaped unharmed but their home was a total loss. Anyone who wishes to send donations should send them to Judy Ziozios, 3799 Midland Road, Saginaw, Michigan 48603.

The Ziozios family had an exciting Memorial weekend. At the Kalamazoo show their Ch. Silvermoon's La Tara took a Group 2 and that same weekend her littermate Silvermoon Marquis D'Lindeau finished his championship. Judy put the first 3 points on Marquis and then her husband Jim took over after which time he was never defeated. Also at the Ziozios house is a new litter of puppies sired by Marquis out of Ch. Viva Maude Chez Rogues De Brie, C.D. There are two black males, one tawny male and one black female. Congratulations!!

Congratulations are also in order to these new champions:

Ch. Michelle Belle de Strathcona - Micki, owned by Charles & Bettyann Jankel & J. & S. Katz, finished her championship at the Oakland County Kennel Club show on 5/21/78 under Mrs. Fisher.

Ch. Iberville de Savoir Vivre - Mundy, owned and handled by Carol Gregoire, finished his championship at the Fargo, N.D. show on 6/4/78 under Edna Travinek.

Ch. Beardsanbrow's N'Est Pas - Nes, owned and handled by David Behrens, finished her championship at the Lake Minnetonka Kennel Club show on 6/10/78 under Joseph Gregory.

Linda Loehr sends us news that Montargis de Lindeau, better known as Rowdy, received OFA #FB77 after being x-rayed the week of his second birthday. His proud parents are Ch. Iaime Widgette de Lindeau and Vin-Marque de Grand Coeur. Also, Rowdy will soon be bred to Ch. Jolie de la Rivette, C.D.X. owned by Dick & Mimi Long of Duluth, Minnesota. Jolie's puppies will be expected early this fall.

The North Central Briarders held their elections this spring and here are the new officers: President - David Behrens, Vice-President - Frances Taylor, Secretary - Sue Erickson, Treasurer - Greg Booth. Their board members are Phil Zingsheim, Cindy Gray and Carol Gregoire.

We have a large amount of show reports this month and they are as follows:

4/29/78 - Packerland K.C. - j Mr. Bracy - e 0-2-0
WB 1 pt., BOB Beardsanbrow's N'Est Pas (Dave Behrens)

4/30/78 - Sheboygan K.C. - j Mr. Gregory - e 1-3-0
WB 2 pts., BW, BOB Beardsanbrow's N'Est Pas

WD Wynott from Stonehill, C.D. (Jean Ball)

5/6/78 - Janesville Beloit K.C. - j Mr. Bennett - e 2-4-0
WD, BW 3 pts., BOB Wynott from Stonehill
WB 3 pts. Sugarcreek Neala Chien De Mar (Marilyn & Chuck Rasmussen)

5/7/78 - Northeastern Indiana K.C. - j Mr. McMackin - e 1-5-3
BOB Ch. Pa'Chick's Livin' Legend (Chas. & Pat Long)
BOS Ch. Pa'Chick's Ms-Be-Haven (Margaret & Susan McCormick)
WD Laurdeen's Moon Shadow (Sharen Boelter)
WB 4 pts., BW Manny's Lil Miss Nibbles (Manny Littin)

5/20/78 - Oshkosh K.C. - j Mr. Waters - e 3-5-0
BOB, BW 3 pts., WD Nancy's Nickolas Chien de Sel (Nancy York)
BOS, WB 3 pts. Sugarcreek Neala Chien de Mar

5/21/78 - Oakland County K.C. - j. Mrs. Fisher - e 3-4-5
BOB Ch. Silvermoon's La Tara (Judy Ziozios)
BOS Ch. Pa'Chick's Livin Legend
WD, BW 3 pts. Silvermoon Marquis D'Lindeau (Jim & Judy Ziozios)
WB 3 pts. Michelle Belle de Strathcona (Charles & Bettyann Jankel & J. & S. Katz)

5/21/78 - Winnegamie Dog Club - j Mr. Renihan - e 3-5-0
BOB, BW 3 pts., WD Chien de Sel Nom de Guerre (Sue Erickson & Phil Gorsuch)
BOS, WB 3 pts. Beardsanbrow's N'Est Pas

6/3/78 - Grand Forks K.C. - j Peggy Adamson - e 2-3-2
BOB, BW 2 pts., WD Iberville de Savoir Vivre (Carol Gregoire)
BOS, WB 2 pts. Fille D'Abbaye (Jane Beahan)

6/4/78 - Fargo-Moorhead K.C. - j Edna Travinek - e 2-3-2
BOB Ch. Underdog Berger du Nord, C.D. (Phil & Jan Zingsheim)
WD, BW 2 pts. Iberville de Savoir Vivre
WB 2 pts., BOS Nonpariel du Chien de Sel (Ellen Leveille)

6/10/78 - Wheaton K.C. - j Eleanor Evers - e 1-3-0
WB 2 pts., BOB Stonehill's I'm Mandy (Julia & Sev MacPete & Gerry Adolphus)

6/10/78 - Lake Minnetonka K.C. - j Mr. Gregory - e 6-8-2
BOB Ch. Jabot Le Bonheur D'Hte Couture (Frances Taylor)
WD 3 pts. Laurdeen's Maximilian, C.D. (Gerrie Miner)
WB 5 pts., BW, BOS Beardsanbrow's N'Est Pas

6/11/78 - Land O'Lakes K.C. - j. Mr. Downing - e 4-7-2
BOB Ch. Jabot Le Bonheur D'Hte Couture
WD, BW 4 pts. Chien de Sel Nom de Guerre
WB 4 pts., BOS Fille D'Abbaye

6/24/78 - Monroe K.C. - j Mr. Patterson - e 1-2-4
BOB Ch. Pa'Chick's Livin' Legend
BOS Ch. Pa'Chick's Ms-Be Haven
WD Mon Ami Jean Philippe (Mr. & Mrs. Floyd Stevenson)
WB 1 pt., BW Notre Magic Genie de Lindeau (Linda Bullard & Linda

Wells Loehr)

It has also been brought to my attention that Dave Behren's pup Ness (Beardsanbrow's N'Est Pas) was Best Puppy in Show at the Thunder Bay shows in April in Canada. Congratulations!!!

That's all the news for now from the midwest...hope to see you all at the specialty/reassemblment in person to say hello!

Susan McCormick

NORTH CENTRAL

Jan Zingsheim reports that the North Central Briarders are having their first fun match on October 7th, at Jo Steinberg's home in Antioch, IL. This fun match will have the usual conformation classes, but then the fun begins. They will be having many fun classes, such as, hide & seek, bob for the ball, and many others. For more information contact Cindy Gray, 224 Willow, Chicago, IL 60614, or look in the next newsletter, "The French Connection", which comes out the 15th of every month.

The Board of Directors of the N.C.B. would like to ask that all BCA Members, who sell puppies into the area, to please let the NCB Secretary, Sue Erickson, Rt. 5 Box 145, Mankato, MN 56001 know who they are and their addresses so the NCB can contact them and offer help. The N.C.B. covers the following states: ILL, WISC, MN, IA, N. & S. DAKI, and Manitoba in Canada. They also have members in Kansas and Montana.

GOLDEN WEST

Simi Valley K.C. - May 14 - Entry 0/2/1 - judge, Lawson Williams. BOB- Ch. Baron d'Yquem de Chez Ciel owned by Bill and Sue Shipman; WB - for 1 point was Milady Sadie de Lindeau owned by Earle & Joan Dugan.

K.C. of Pasadena - June 4 - Entry 0/3/1 - judge, John Patterson. BOB- was again, Ch. Baron d'Yquem de Chez Ciel; WB for 2 points was Miel Melesa de Strathcona, owned by Dallas Meggitt and Ann Lisa Alderman.

K.C. of Beverly Hills - June 17 - Entry 1/2/2 - judge, Joe Tacker. BOB and WB for 1 point went to Beardsanbrow's Natanya owned by Jim Stewart; BOX was Ch. Baron d'Yquem de Chez Ciel.

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

Joan Dugan

Thanks to Mary Ake and Laurie Modrey, who have volunteered to report news from their regions. Mary's address is 1300 Ridge Road, Littleton Colorado 80120 (303/795-1300) and Laurie can be contacted at 1706 Nash Ave., Austin, TX 78704 (512/444-8762).

We want to hear from you. Sending your news & anecdotes, to the volunteer in your region helps to make the News and Views interesting and also helps to keep our members more in touch with each other.

CONGENITAL HEART CONDITIONS

("Congenital" means existing at birth. Congenital conditions may or may not be inherited.)

PATENT DUCTUS ARTERIOSUS is one of the most common hereditary heart conditions seen in dogs and appears to be inherited as a non-mendelian polygenic (controlled by a number of genes) trait. It also appears to be sex influenced (the threshold for the expression of the condition may be lower in one sex than in another), and is more frequently seen in female dogs.

In the normal heart, the left ventricle pumps oxygenated blood through the aorta to the body tissues. The right ventricle pumps venous blood through the pulmonary arteries to be oxygenated by the lungs. In patent ductus arteriosus, a short arterial connection (shunt) between the aorta and the pulmonary artery, which usually closes at birth, or shortly thereafter, remains open. After breathing begins and the lungs oxygenate the puppy's blood flow, failure of this shunt to close causes a reversal of the blood flow direction between the aorta and the pulmonary artery. This reduces the amount of oxygen getting to the puppy's tissues. Dogs with patent ductus arteriosus may tire easily, may be cyanotic (blue) and show signs of heart failure. Most dogs that reach six weeks of age without developing heart failure, develop enlarged hearts, congestive heart failure, pulmonary distress, and usually die between 8 months and three years of age. Patent ductus arteriosus can usually be picked up by your veterinarian during routine physical examinations. The defect has a characteristic heart murmur and palpable thrill.

Surgery to close the shunt is the treatment.

VASCULAR RING ANOMALIES include persistent right aortic arch (95%), double aortic arch (rare in dogs), and malpositioned subclavian artery conditions. In persistent right aortic arch, the arch may cross the esophagus, compressing it, causing the puppy to vomit solid food. Liquids are not vomited. Symptoms of persistent right aortic arch (vomiting and weight loss) and other vascular ring anomalies (compression of the trachea causing wheezing and breathing difficulties), usually occur at 3 - 8 weeks of age. Persistent right aortic arch is sometimes complicated by accompanying patent ductus arteriosus or malpositioned subclavian arteries.

Surgery to correct the anomaly is the treatment.

PULMONARY STENOSIS (narrowing) occurs when there is an obstruction which prevents the normal flow of blood from the right ventricle to the pulmonary artery. It usually presents no symptoms, but can sometimes be diagnosed during physical examination. It eventually results in right ventricle enlargement, dilation of the pulmonary artery, and general signs of heart failure.

Surgery is the treatment.

AORTIC STENOSIS occurs when there is an obstruction of the blood flow near the aortic valve. Again there are usually no symptoms. As time progresses however, the dog may have spells of fainting, panting and coughing. Dogs often die suddenly due to ventricular fibrillation.

Surgery is the treatment.

INTERVENTRICULAR SEPTAL DEFECT is an opening between the right and left ventricles. It can usually be diagnosed during physical examination because it produces a murmur. The severity of the symptoms is usually dependent on the size of the defect. Young dogs are usually asymptomatic and are not treated. Older dogs may develop congestive heart failure and are treated surgically or with Digitalis, rest, salt restriction and diuretics.

TETRALOGY OF FALLOT is a syndrome combining interventricular septal defect and pulmonary stenosis. Puppies develop cyanosis (turn blue) with a small amount of exercise and polycythemia (excess red blood cells) recognized by a black or dark tongue during the first few months of life. Most affected dogs never reach adulthood. There is no treatment and there are no reports on surgical correction available.

Medical Committee Chairman,
Evy Wegienka

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YOU'RE GETTING TOO INVOLVED IN DOGS,

- IF.... you take your daughter to the ballet and she asks for a catalog -
- IF.... you have to sit in the kennel during the summer months because it is air conditioned and the house isn't -
- IF.... you give birth and cannot contain the urge to compare pedigrees with the room-mate who just had - perhaps - best of opposite sex -
- IF.... you know your veterinarian's phone number by heart, but have to look up your own personal physician's number -
- IF.... you open the premium list envelope with the next show's judging slate before you open that letter from your grandmother -
- IF.... at the supermarket stand you suddenly realize the basket contains bread, beans and six cases of dog food -
- IF.... you open your handbag at a formal dinner party and three dog biscuits and a squeaky toy fall out onto the table along with a chart on worms and how to get rid of them -
- IF.... every decent item in your once chic wardrobe has essence of liver in each pocket.

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THE OTHER RING

For our 50th Anniversary celebration at the BCA Specialty, we set an historical record for obedience. We had an entry of 30 Briards in obedience classes: 3 in Utility, 6 in Open, 11 in Novice A, 9 in Novice B, and 1 in Veteran.

Hugh MacLean was our obedience judge. He was most gracious and made the work pleasant for all handlers and Briards. On several occasions he could be heard wishing the exhibitor good luck, stating his regrets when a dog made an error, or offering suggestions after judging was over - a true exhibition of the "Sport of Obedience Competition"!

It was exciting to see 30 Briards and over 60 spectators gathered around the obedience ring. This marvelous exhibition gave support to Briard owners to start obedience training and exhibition. It was indeed a joy to see these Briard/handler teams and their special relationships.

The results were as follows:

NOVICE A:

- Fille d'Abbaye handled by Jane Beahan - 190 for 1st place.
- Le Beauchien's Minuit - Ravona Molkner - 175½ for 2nd place.
- Ch. Tarteciel Jacquot - Cheryl Foote - 171½ for 3rd place.
- Argent Rio de Briollette - Mary Ake - 170 for 4th place.

NOVICE B:

- Ch. Pa'Chick's Livin' Legend - Pat Long - 190 - 1st place.
- Ch. Pa'Chick's Ms-Be-Haven - Sue McCormick - 183 - 2nd place.
- Chien de Sel Nom de Plume - Sue Erickson - 179½ - 3rd place.
- Berger du Nord's Nightmare - Jan Zingsheim - 178 - 4th place.
- Beau Cheval's Rigmarole - Ian Lockyer - 177½ - 5th place.
- Ch. Jabot le Bonheur d'Hte Couture - Frances Taylor - 170 - 6th.

OPEN A & B

- G'Veret Kahlbah de Strathcona, U.D. - J. Katz - 195½ - 1st place.
- Can.OT Ch. Silvermoon la Joie de Vivre, CDX - Christine Duval - 186½ for 2nd place.
- Ch. Les Blues du Chien de Sel, C.D. - Sue Erickson - 173½ - 3rd.
- Ch. I Charlemagne Chez Ciel, CDX, TD, AD - Dave Behrens - 173 - 4th.

HIGH IN TRIAL

- G'Veret Kahlbah de Strathcona, Can. CDX/Am. UD - Jerry Katz - 195½

M. Paul Liguine, our Rassemblement judge, was most interested and impressed with our American obedience training and exhibiting. It seems that in France, to get a championship for a Briard, they must not only be beautiful, but also smart! The Briard must complete a series of work exercises in order to complete the championship. In the early stages, the work is similar to our Novice work - heeling, sitting, lying down with the owner out of sight, etc. Later, the Briard is to climb over a wall, do police work and also tracking. Because of the difficulty of this work, there are very few Briard champions. Not because of the dogs, but the handlers are often too discouraged to continue the training.

Monsieur Liguine said he was impressed by our progressive training program and hopes to start a similar program in France in

The Other Ring - continued

the next few months. He feels this obedience work can enhance the character and usefulness of the Briard.

This should certainly spur all of us on to begin training our Briards for obedience competition.

After the Specialty, M. Liguine visited a training session at our training club. He thought the class concept where the dogs of all breeds must work closely together was excellent for socialization and teaching the dog to concentrate on his handler.

M. Liguine especially liked the way we do our figure 8 exercise with people and dogs serving as posts. The dog who is working must not acknowledge the dogs serving as posts. He also enjoyed watching the long down exercise with the handlers out of sight for five minutes. At our Club, we bait the dogs with bits of food so they will learn not to sniff. Small pieces of cheese are placed several inches from the dog's nose. They are expected not to sniff or eat it.

One technique for teaching the dog to hold a dumbbell or scent article in his mouth without chewing or mouthing it is the same as they use in France. If the dog clamps down hard, a raw egg is used instead of the dumbbell. Dogs who clamp too hard get a mouthful of raw egg - They learn quickly not to bite too hard!

In France, dogs do not jump a solid wall as we do here (for Briards usually 36"). In France they must scale a wall 2.6 meters high (about 7 feet!). The dogs climb up and then climb down the other side. This prevents them from jumping from such a height, which may break them down in the pasterns.

Another similarity in training is the lavish verbal praise given when a dog completes an exercise properly. It was obvious to us that M. Liguine is deeply devoted to Briards and enjoys the training he does with his dogs.

Please report your obedience news so we can include it in this column.

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SÉDIR'S - LE BERGER DE BRIE, CHIEN DE FRANCE

(Following is Part III of The Shepherd of Brie, Dog of France, reproduced for those who wish to learn more about the Briard and its past. The original book, still considered "the Bible of the Briard" was published in France in 1926. The translator is unknown.)

CHAPTER IV

SOME OLD CHAMPIONS

From 1895, the most remarkable dogs have been Camarade I du Berger (Sauret), Camarade II du Berger (Houllier); Raquette, Cami, Marci, Viki, Chrysantheme, Pieric, all bred by la Hulpe (Messrs. Lamarque & Verlinde); Dolma (M. Dunet), by Pipo du Berger, son of Frida, daughter of the famous Gitane. Campeche and Jarnac (M. Beorgey) Aymon, Stellio, Moina and several others from Montjoye (Mlle. Raoul-Duval).

Lately the public's taste is changing as follows: Those who show are beginning to request definite indications from the judges as to defects and qualities of their particular dogs; there is less bitterness when an animal has not received as high an award as had been expected by its master. On their part, the judges try to be more sympathetic to beginners in showing; they are more generous with their explanations. I have consequently thought that some reports of old shows would be of interest for the reader. A word here or there may very well be useful to the reader.

Following is a report from the Sheep-dog Show at Lizy-sur-Ourcq, in 1898, that I just uncovered from the very fetching collection of the Sport Universel Illustré (1898, p. 432).

"It seems that the sheep-dog is the oldest of all dog breeds. In other words, men became attached to this animal (which well deserved the title of man's best friend) since it was first used as a pasture dog and as a shepherd dog.

"There is no doubt about the progress which the use of the shepherd dogs signify in the evolution of our civilization. They symbolize the passing from wilderness to pasture. Despite this lineage of antiquity and the value of the services which this breed of dog rendered, it had definitely fallen into practical oblivion, especially in France.

"The shepherds themselves, although primarily interested in conservation and improvement of our domestic breeds, had allowed them to degenerate.

"It is a fact that approximately three-fourths of the shepherds-- those with small herds to keep -- have no dogs, or else use, for this purpose, dogs unaccustomed to and completely alien to this work.

"They are often mixed breeds or mongrels, for the shepherd does not hesitate to do some fleecing occasionally.

"However, in order to fulfill the difficult role of a sheep dog, not only keen intelligence is required, but special aptitudes (which

are only inherited) are essential.

"Intelligence, understanding the maneuvers which he must execute, love of the beasts he leads, are innate to him; he retains these from his predecessors; for these faculties, which originate generations back, come from the training inculcated in the breed; but these traits have developed naturally in him because all his ancestors have had them and because these very traits have always been cultivated in that direction.

"Well-trained pedigreed sheep-dogs, having proved their mettle, will always be superior to those chosen at random, however perfect their training may have been. Moreover, this breedless dog, however clever he may become, will never transfer to his offspring his own particular qualities. The English, who are masters in this art, understood this perfectly and their Scotch collies, although inferior to our French dogs in quality and intelligence, have gained a position among fanciers which our dogs will have to struggle to recapture.

"Let us therefore note in particular the 'Club Francais du Chien de Berger' (French Sheep-dog Club) founded in May 1896 officially authorized by the Ministry on the following July 20th, whose aim is to encourage in every possible way the improvement, raising and training of our French breeds of sheep dogs and cowherds.

1) By organizing alternately in accordance with resources, in different regions, competition of sheep dogs at work and shows.

2) By popularizing through illustration, the very finest types of dogs with descriptions of each variety in order to make it easier for breeders to make a choice and for trainers to get information.

3) By enticing adherents to register their particularly successful types in the L.O.F. (Livre des Origines Francais, 38 rue des Mathurins Paris) in order to inform their following of all the existent pedigreed dogs.

4) By inviting all the agricultural societies and conventions to reward sheep or cow dogs in their annual sessions.

Besides shows and competitions which are very expensive, as M. Boulet said at one of his recent committee meetings, the Club would like to buy from amongst the best pedigreed dogs of Brie and of Beauce, a few excellent studs which he would board out with some of the club members, where, in order not to lose their particular choice qualities, they would work daily either watching sheep in the open and in the fold, or leading herds on the highways to market. These beautiful and well-qualified dogs would be meant for mating, at a very moderate fee, to bitches of the same breed belonging to the club members or to their employees.

It is my belief that a few years hence, this would result in superior breeds in France, as far as type, quality and beauty are concerned.

"Because the English are born breeders, know how to care for their dogs, and destroy the frightful parasites which feed on ours, they manage to attract love for the clean and well-groomed dog which they show.

"The great annual competition organized by the Club, took place several days ago at Lizy-sur-Ourcq, a few kilometres from Meaux.

"The awards in the competition of beauty were M. Sauret, whose superb Camarade I, had won first prize at Tuileries; MM. Chaput, Leon Gerard. In Beaucerons, M. Derossy, also one of the first prize winners at Tuileries, MM. Thibault, F. Leger, etc. etc..

"The work competition was particularly successful. It was divided into 3 categories: For sheep-dogs, cow-dogs and finally a contest for leading stock to embarkation.

"The work in the first two categories was identical. It consisted of leading a herd of 25 sheep from one park to another on a semi-circular track 6 meters wide and approximately 300 meters long, between ploughed furrows and containing three obstacles: a mound of earth, a dry ditch and a narrow path between two hedges (the width was only 1.5 meters). The dog had to neither allow the sheep to leave the track nor to bite their ears, their necks, their front legs, stomachs nor to bite them deeply at the ham, nor to bark.

"The competition encountered criticism on the part of specialists who were astonished that the same kind of work should have been imposed on two different species of dogs.

"It is simple to see, however, says M. Sauret in 'L'Eleveur', that the sheep-dog cannot be the same as the lead-dog (drover-dog).

"What does the sheep dog customarily do? He guards a herd on the plain. What should one demand of him in a competition? His usual work. What does it consist of? 'To hold to his side' in trade parlance, in other terms, 'in line'. At the shepherd's command, 'take your post', he should go to the side, collecting vagrants and preventing sheep from straying to another's estate.

"If the shepherd sees that the sheep stray on one side, he should order the dog both by the hand and word, directing him to the correct side. Usually a shepherd has two dogs: One dog works far afield and the other remains at hand and supervises that part of the field which is near the shepherd.

"This work, which differs from the driving dog is therefore not in evidence from what is asked of the dogs in competition. It would therefore be suitable to slightly modify the matter.

"Moreover, the superiority of the drover has been re-affirmed in a startling manner. Particularly admirable is their cleverness in embarking the animals, in placing them in the special compartments built in the manner of the market of 'LaVillette'.

"The Grand Prize of Honor in the field show (sheep-dogs) was awarded to M. Tilliers. For the cow-dogs the prize was awarded to M. Leandre Leclercq. The awards in the loading (embarkment) competition were granted to Mm. Louis, Leys, Fontain, Schneider, Gattre, Daniel, Perrie and Leclercq.

THE FOLLOWING IS AN ACCOUNT OF THE SHEEP-DOG SHOW HELD IN 1900 (Sport Universel, 1900, p. 439).

"There are two varieties of long-haired Brie dogs: the black and the tawny. For the first time the prize was awarded to Capitaine, M. Antoine's splendid dog. I wonder whether one should encourage the excessive hair on Capitaine's coat, which seems to reveal a strain of

blood from that type of Russian dog whose woolly coat is rather characteristic. Much as I like to deal with rather straight hair, which I would call 'goat-hair', I detest this too long and too curly hair which gets woolly and causes mats when it is not brushed daily and thoroughly.

"As for the tawny variety, the prize was rightfully awarded to our old acquaintance, Camarade, M. Henri Sauret's prize dog.

"Camarade's hair comes close to this particular goat hair, which I recommend. I would say as much for M. Oussot's Javotte or M. Ferrand's Gitane. These two bitches are beautiful and the jury rightfully gave them favorable mention. I want to point out another merit to breeders: This variety descends from a line of dogs kept for years from questionable mating. This fact unfortunately could not have been taken into account by the judges, who decide according to what they see, rather than what they learn, more or less directly.

IN THE SAME REVIEW (1901, p. 170)

"I have just received the report of the annual General Assembly held by the 'Club Francais du Chien de Berger', and I take the opportunity to glance at the correct approach to insure the improvement of the species, which is not only the most interesting from an agricultural point of view, but the most gifted insofar as varied qualities are concerned. I have known some shepherd dogs which were kept like dogs of luxury, others employed as guard dogs, others as assistant to the Customs, others used for smuggling, and others as cart dogs. I have encountered some who hunt the hare like a beagle and have seen no equals for hunting wild boar, etc. etc.

"A show on a platform and a work competition are two classes by which the club operates. As a modification from the show's rules, it has been decided that:

- 1) An animal winning first prize twice should not be shown except in special competition.
- 2) A breeding prize would be created for each breed; each specific group should comprise at least 2 pups, at least 6 months of age.
- 3) In the Briard, dogs whose hair is the least curly and whose eyes are not concealed by the eyebrows will be given preference to others.

"As for the work competition, the dogs will probably be trained differently, at least as far as the tests reserved for sheep and cow dogs are concerned. A special committee met recently in order to work out a new program on that score. They tried to set up tests, which would bring out more favorably the qualities of the competitors and consequently give the first awards to the most worthy. We all remember that at the Levallois-Perret competition, the dog, Chocolat, displayed remarkable intelligence and accuracy at work; however, he only received the second prize. This was a pity on one hand, but fair on the other, for insofar as the judges are concerned, the particular conditions of the competition did not allow any elastic interpretation.

"Awarding first prize to the best dog is most difficult when such subtle tests are planned as those created for the setter and for the sheep-dog; each competitor is faced with special problems since

the game birds which are forcibly introduced are often capricious and the sheep used for the contest are subject to whimsical ideas, never finding the conditions identical to those of the others.

"As soon as I find a solution to the problem, I will discuss it here. It will probably be at the end of May at Chateauroux that the new type of competition will be put to test. May this show meet with success, which will attract the interest of all concerned and successfully augment our coffers. Last year the great Levallois-Perret show suffered from the rivalry of the 'Exposition Universelle' and from inclement weather. If the receipts were not half of what had been expected, the zeal of Chairman, E. Boulet and his assistants was not entirely wasted, for this occasion had repercussions in the trade papers and the Club won recognition by it; and that is something! As one who follows the same methods, I am quite pleased to see the raising of Brie dogs, which aims at producing a species which is less curly and whose eyebrows are less bushy. You, as myself, have met these dogs in the country -- whose hair forms little knotty, dirty curls and who wears a veritable mask of wild strands on their face. Have you not concluded that the growth is quite superfluous, if not harmful, and that a less heavy coat would be more appropriate for work than this knotty mane?

"I have never forgiven the water-spaniel its woolly coat and I have always considered the raising of corded poodles as complete aberration; at most, I shall overlook the Russian sheep-dog's coat, which is appropriate to its climate and even so, I shall point out that the Arctic dogs have been equipped by Mother Nature with very fine, but semi-long hair.

"The ideal Briard's hair looks like goat-hair. This quality is sought for in Belgium for the so called, long-haired dogs. The Club has done just the right thing in taking this step.

"Unfortunately the owners of brood-bitches are not likely to send their bitches from one end of France to the other to be mated to studs and thus the progress will be slow. While in England, wealthy owners devote part of their time and money for the improvement of long and short haired collies, with no useful purpose in mind, but merely the desire to produce a show dog; The sheep-dog will remain with us for a long time yet, a brave servant born of a union, more or less contrived by a mercenary only interested in the qualities for work and to assist him in his labor.

"The general result is that our dogs are of good quality, but are not beautiful; while, insofar as our neighbors are concerned, the show-collie is a luxury animal and it would never enter anyone's mind to have him watch sheep.

"However, we also have fanciers who are perhaps humble, but are heart and soul for the cause. Let me cite especially the owner of 'Chenil de l'Etoile du Berger', M. Henri Sauret, who since 1896 has seen his kennels win 18 first prizes and 'Prix d'Honneur', not counting secondary awards.

"Son and grandson of people who have spent their lives in the butcher-business and sheep-trade, M. Sauret, who leads sheep to 'La Villette', has been able to study from his childhood, the various

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breeds of dogs most suitable for work and today this puts him in a leading position on this question.

"In raising dogs, more than any other field, one cannot be successful without having vast first-hand knowledge and experience.

"One of the glories of the 'Chenil de l'Etoile du Berger' has been the breeding of Camarade I, whose portrait has appeared here, as well as in most sport publications. This animal, who is a perfect Briard type is so well-known it is not necessary for me to cite his numerous awards.

"M. Sauret has also produced Beaucerons in response to requests from interested parties, who go to him; but he prefers the Briard, for the latter is more widely used than the Beauceron.

"In order to explain this phrase, 'more widely used' it is important to scan the different uses, which shepherds and cattle-drivers require of their work-aides.

"The work of the dog in the fields consists of allowing the sheep to graze peacefully without damaging the neighboring crops; for this purpose the shepherd needs three dogs.

- 1) A field-dog who protects the outlying crops. Here it is necessary to have the best of the three dogs, since it is necessary that the latter work alone, or at a mere signal from the master.
- 2) A dog who stays close to the shepherd in order to protect the nearby fields where the shepherd happens to be (dog at hand).
- 3) A young dog in training or an old one, intended to relieve for a while, the other two.

"The shepherd usually stands at the corner of the field where the sheep graze; he watches with the 'dog at hand' the two sides closest to him, while the dog afield watches the other two sides.

"From April to July these shepherds go along the roads and in certain fields close by, but as soon as the harvest has begun, the sheep eat clover, sainfoin, minettes, and complete their meal among the thatch and stubble. When the beet-crop is in season, the sheep are led back in the evening to eat beet leaves and stumps. It fattens them quite a bit and then it is time for the pen. It is the way to fertilize the soil which will be used the following year for wheat and oats. In the evening the sheep are enclosed within a square pen made of 40 to 60 3-meter-length boards; the sheep are out twice a night at 10 p.m. and 2 a.m., in the morning (in certain countries the custom is to change the pen, but once toward midnight). They are let out at 8 a.m. when the dew has disappeared. While the sheep are in the pen, the shepherd sleeps in a hut under which the dogs squat. It is superfluous to mention that the farmer sends them all a rather frugal repast!

"The dogs naturally, have a specialized work to do in order to

- (1) The photo of Camarade I from Sedir, together with pictures of other Briards of that era are included in the "Notes from Briard History" in the 50th Anniversary Specialty show catalog. Marked catalogs are available from Pat Long for \$4.00 per copy (checks payable to the Briard Club).

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lead the sheep into the pen, to guide them out, to watch over them in between change of pens.

"For all that is called 'work of the field', intelligent, alert and especially gentle dogs are essential. Briards are particularly suited to this kind of work. 'Work on the road' is of another nature; it consists of leading from farm to the fair or vice versa, or from one fair to another, thin animals meant for fattening or fattened cattle ready for the slaughter house.

"The people who do this work are shepherds of the road known in certain regions by the name of 'cacheaux'.

"They need rather strict dogs, who urge the herd, force it to go to its destination and keep it from roaming in the fields, even when they are hungry, which is the rule.

"The highway work has its equivalent at the market in la Villette. There the work consists of leading the sheep from the sheepfolds to the market and making them enter the particular places, which are reserved for them. Each place can hold 15 to 20 sheep, depending on their size. In order to do this, the dog goes up to the head of the flock, moves it forward, urges it and forces it to enter into the designated spaces. The location of the sheep is the work of the overseer; his dog is called a mounter, because of his technique. In the absence of the overseer, the shepherds lead their own sheep in: that is why their dogs are admired so much; they are able to lead the stock through the streets in the midst of heavy traffic, take them back into their places, take them back once they are sold, and lead them to the slaughter-house to place them in their respective stalls, and all this in spite people and carriages.

"If the sheep were always obedient, it would be very easy; but you deal either with stubborn African sheep or frightened gascons, Burgunds or Champanese, who stray into other herds -- but those different breeds move on, cling together, go where they belong, merely by the knowledge inherent in this breed of dog.

"All shepherd breeds are good for this work; but since the Club Francais preoccupies itself only with Briards and Beaucerons; let us disregard the Picardy dogs, Ardennes dogs, Pyreneens and Languedoc dogs, etc.

"The most usual coats range from black to russet grey to tawny, a color resembling the wolf, who is probably the ancestor of our sheep dog. Was the black coat a melanism or the result of cross-breeding? Was the tawny due to bleaching through inbreeding? At any rate it is of no importance today. One thing must be born in mind: bleaching is to be avoided; first because it doesn't allow the shepherd to distinguish the dog from the sheep at a distance and secondly because it generally goes hand in hand with degeneracy.

"Some time ago, I indicated some ideas on hunting dogs. These are similar to the ideas of M. Sauret.

"While trying to produce the dog of dark grey tawny with black strands, this fancier keeps a few black dogs to breed, for he is convinced that since it is necessary to have inbreeding, due to the small number of pure specimens now in existence, the day the black

coat disappears the dark tawny grey will also disappear. The dark tawny grey is considered ideal. That is the color of his famous Camarade.

"Almost all our French dogs have more or less dropped ears, while in Belgium and Holland, we can see many breeds with naturally upright ears. The custom is to crop the ears and this is good -- at least from the aesthetic point of view, for it adds a great deal to the style of the animal. However, this operation requires a certain knack to be successful.

"Ah! If it were fashionable, French sheep dog breeders would very quickly produce a few choice animals whose descendants would raise the standards of our country - side dogs; but it is not fashionable and one will again and again see fanciers buying Collies for 25,000 francs and give 15 louis for a Briard, which has been the recipient of several prizes.

"Let us hope that the influence of the 'Club Francais du Chien Berger' will be favorable for breeders in encouraging transactions. The law of supply and demand exists and it must be satisfied."

FURTHER EXCERPTS FROM THE SAME REVUE (1902, p. 379)

"Mr. Henri Saurer, famous fancier of Briards and owner of 'Chenil du Berger' brought as usual, some choice examples such as Rapide III, Major, l'Ours and Moujick, who reaped a heap of prizes. Let us also mention two beautiful bitches, Meduse, belonging to Mlle. Raoul-Duval and Mr. Ferrand's Gitane. The latter has excellent goat-hair. She was reproached for the light tawny color of her paws. Is this a fault?

"M. Leroux won almost all the awards for the Beaucerons, for his group was extremely satisfactory. His dogs, Tambour and Carabine can be accepted as prototypes of this particular breed. Fanciers will know where to find good blood."

ON THE DOG SHOW OF LILLE (Sport. Univ. 1902)

"French sheep dogs were poorly represented in number and quality. Bergere (first prize) and Cadet (second prize) belonging to M. Maillard are not up to the level of the Parisian Briards."

THE EVREUX DOG SHOW (Sport. Univ. 12.VII.03)

"In the Briard class, M. Eug. Thome easily got first honors with his black dogs, who were also awarded in Paris."

TUILERIES DOG SHOW (Sport. Univ. 1904, p.370)

"M. Eug. Boulet, who led the cause of the French sheep dog, found satisfaction in the beautiful species of dogs which he judged. Much ground has been gained in the last 10 years.

"M. Eug. Thome won the prize of honor with a group of 8 black Briards. The prize was offered by the President of the Republic and a gold medal was offered by the Minister of Agriculture.

"His dog, Cyrano, on his way to being a champion, corresponds exactly to the description given by the specialty Club. This is a stud dog to consider.

"In the class of dogs with black undercoat, cited again: Faraud, belonging to M. Adenis, Mlle Ravaud's Polka and M. Caillete's Bergere.

"The light colored dogs were excellently represented by the tawny dogs of M. Louis Leys and of Mlle Raoul-Duval."

EXPOSITION AT LILLE (Same Revue, July 1904)

"It was Cami de la Hulpe, a young Briard of M. Verlinde, a Belgian fancier, who won the Prix of Honor for the most beautiful French sheep dog."

THE SHEPHERD DOGS AT MEAUX (Sport Univ. 1906, p. 497)

"During the Agricultural Festival at Meaux in mid-July, the 'Club du Chien de Berger' organized a large show.

"We have already mentioned this show which is comprised of an exhibition of the lead dog test, a distribution of awards to the shepherd dogs for loyal and good services to their masters.

"We will not go into the rules, which from the sporting point of view evoke only moderate interest, but we take this opportunity to recognize a real step forward in the improvement of the breeds specialized in care of the flocks.

"Thanks to this combination of both beauty and ability, the Club to which M. Boulet devotes himself so completely, obtains lasting results.

"Show dogs, whose silhouette is perfected only in view of showing at the end of a leash will not last long.

"A practical shortcoming in the organization at the Meaux show hindered its complete success; the place which had been chosen for the show was not available at the last moment and M. Emmanuel Boulet had to have a track organized under the covered market for the lead-dog tests. It was too small and the noisy and overwhelming public disturbed the shepherds, dogs and sheep.

"Due to the intense heat, the sheep became tired quickly and the result was that the obstacle test and the second-class competition, which was planned for dogs to select and lead sheep to their pens had to be eliminated.

"These dogs had to be compensated by dividing the prizes among them. It is also always important to have an adequate number of sheep so that the same animals do not have to repeat the process too often.

"The lead dog test for the sheep dogs consists only in loading a group of about 20 sheep over a track and in leading them through a narrow passage.

"Several dogs worked the sheep with great intelligence and activity. Ten prizes were awarded: following are the first two prizes.

"First Prize and the Prize of Honor: an art object offered by the President of the Republic, a diploma and 100 francs offered by the 'Conseil General de Seine-et-Oise, was awarded to M. Halard of Gamaches (Eure).

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"Second Prize: a Medal offered by the Minister of Agriculture, a diploma and 75 francs offered by the city of Meaux went to M. Andre Pillet of Argoeuves (Somme).

"Let us hope that this rich and prosperous region of Seine and Marne will increase the membership of 'Club du Chien de Berger', which already claims more than 500 members for the greatest good of raising and improving the Nations breeds of working dogs."

THE INTERNATIONAL SHOW AT BRUSSELS
(Sport. Univ. 1904, p. 701)

"Extremely beautiful type of sheep dogs; Of 11 Briards shown, 8 were beauties, who even individually would have been worthy of first prize. Rapide III du Berger (First Prize and recipient of the Agricultural Ministry prize in 1902) had to be satisfied with just honorable mention. It is true that the dog has lost much of his quality and that he was presented in bad condition. Cami de la Hulpe an incomparable Briard, was as usual awarded first prize and the Prize of Honor. Brigand de la Hulpe, in very good condition was second. If the classes had been divided into classes of Light colors and Dark colors as in Paris, this dog would certainly have been awarded first prize. These two dogs belong to M. Verlinde's kennels, who exhibited in the novice classes as well: Bonhomme, a young 11 month old Briard, who gives promise of becoming colossal, ranked first; He was followed by his sister, Frida, who definitely recalls to mind the mother, Gitane, who was well-known in France for her many awards."

I must stop quoting. Moreover, the dog owners can very well get further information from the judges: it is the best way to learn.

And for the purpose of spreading the word on the breed, nothing is more useful than the small local shows, where there are not many competitors. The judges are not too harrassed and have all the time in the world to make a thorough examination and to answer all questions.



"We'd like six hundred doggie bags, please."

NEW BRIARD CHAMPION



CHAMPION PHYDEAUX LUVEM N LEAVEM, C.D. (dog)

Owner: Judy W. Odom

Breeder: Mary Lou Tingley

Championship: March 18, 1978

Whelped: November 16, 1975

Sire: Ch. Sultan d'Esprit

Dam: Ch. Phydeaux Usheba des Bergers

(Ch. Phydeaux Quoin de Cuivre
X Ch. Peinarde de Marha)

(Ch. Sire de la Briardier
X Ch. O'Tresor de Vasouy)

Judge: J. Council Parker

Handled by owner

NEW BRIARD CHAMPION



CHAMPION MICHELLE BELLE DE STRATHCONA (bitch)

Owners: Charles & Bettyann Janke
Breeders: Jerry & Stephanie Katz
Jerry & Stephanie Katz

Championship: May 21, 1978

Whelped: June 24, 1976

Sire: Ch. Uhey Chien de Grand
Coeur
Dam: Ch. Uziz Akshanit de
Strathcona

(Ch. Ralph des Elfes de Malouse
C.D. X Ch. Phoebe Chez Phydeau)
(Ch. Tres Bien Chez Rogues de
Brie X G'veret Kahlbah de
Strathcona, U.D.)

Judge: Mrs. L. Kodner
Handled by Bettyann

NEW BRIARD CHAMPION



CHAMPION MIEL MELESA DE STRATHCONA (bitch)

Owners: Dallas Meggitt and
Ann-Lisa Alderman
Breeders: Jerry & Stephanie Katz

Championship: July 30, 1978

Whelped: June 24, 1976

Sire: Ch. Uhey Chien de Grand
Coeur
Dam: Ch. Uziz Akshanit de
Strathcona

(Ch. Ralph des Elfes de Malouse
C.D. X Ch. Phoebe Chez Phydeau)
(Ch. Tres Bien Chez Rogues de
Brie X G'veret Kahlbah de
Strathcona, U.D.)

Handled by Dallas

NEW BRIARD CHAMPION



CHAMPION LE BEAUCHIEN'S MARIE ANGE (bitch)

Owners: David Tooker and
Monroe Kokin

Breeders: Marie and Monroe Kokin

Championship: May 7, 1978

Whelped: June 16, 1976

Sire: Ch. Pa'Chick's Rebel
Deux

Dam: Ch. Bellesprit Fille
Vendredi

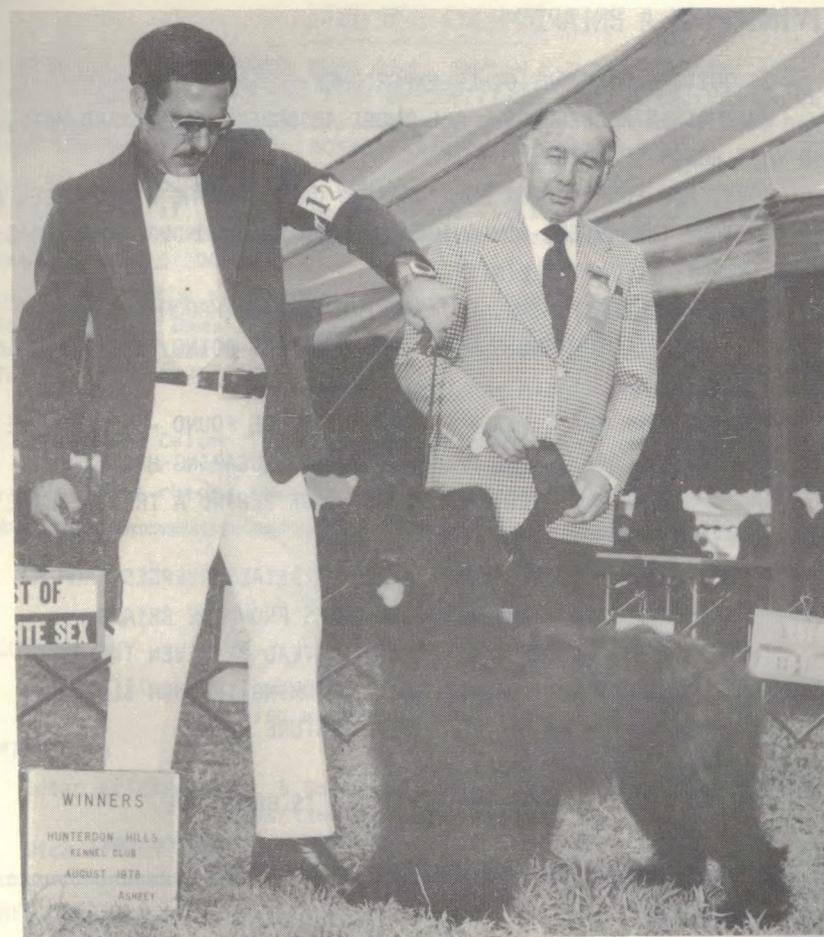
(Ch. Proud Rebel de Marha
X Pa'Chick's Esmarelda)

(Ch. Pa'Chick's Rebel Deux
X Ch. Phydeaux Tallulah, CD)

Judge: Mrs. Eileen Pimlott

Handled by Monroe

NEW BRIARD CHAMPION



CHAMPION LE BEAUCHIEN'S MELISANDE (bitch)

Owners: Marie & Monroe Kokin

Breeders: Owners

Championship: August 6, 1978

Whelped: June 16, 1976

Sire: Ch. Pa'Chick's Rebel
Deux

Dam: Ch. Bellesprit Fille
Vendredi

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

(Ch. Pa'Chick's Rebel Deux
X Ch. Phydeaux Tallulah, CD)

Judge: Henry Stoeker

Handled by owner

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LIVING WITH A BRIARD

IS QUITE UNLIKE ANY OTHER EXPERIENCE.

WHAT OTHER HOUSEHOLDS - ALL THOSE ABSORBENT TOWELS AND MATS,
AND VAST BOWLS OF WATER.

JOBY, NOW FOUR, BEING BORN CHASING CATS, LIVING WITH THREE, AND
THE CONSTANT (UNWANTED) COMPANION OF A NEW ONE, WONDERS WHAT HE'S
DOING 'MIDST ALL THAT FELINITY.

OF A DARK, EARLY MORN, LOOKING INTO THE BATHROOM MEDICINE
CABINET - EYEBALL TO TENNIS BALL - WHAT'S THAT DOING THERE? THE
ANSWER COMES SHUFFLING IN - A DOPEY BRIARD.

RUNNING DOWN GRASS VERGE - SOME DAY TO BE FOUND - ME AND THE
BRIARD - COOLING OFF IN THE PACIFIC. THAT ENDEARING HABIT OF
CHECKING THEIR PEOPLE EVERY FEW YARDS- HIDE BEHIND A TREE - THERE'S
OLD RED-EYE!

A HUGE BLACK HEAD STREWN WITH FLOWER PETALS EMERGES FROM A
BUSH. A SIREN PASSES - PREHISTORIC ECHOES FROM THE BRIARD.

THERE'S ONE! - CHOMP - WE WALK - INSTEAD OF SEVEN INCHES OF
TONGUE, A PEELING TENNIS BALL - PANTING COMING THROUGH SLOTTED.
HE DOESN'T KNOW WHAT A GORGEOUS CREATURE HE IS.

HERE I AM, SAYS HE - JOY -

TRAFFIC STOPS. PEOPLE SMILE. LIFE IS BEAUTIFUL.

Audrey J. Hargreaves

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that she found a book about Briards entitled PRYN the Sheep Dog. It
is published by Brimax Books of Cambridge England with text by
Rosalind Sutton and charming illustrations by Gerda Muller, and is
recommended reading for children between the ages of 6 and 10 years.

Mrs. Jenner found two errors, however. Mrs. Muller assumes that
Briards are born tailless with naturally upright ears - and in one
illustration the dog is small in proportion to the child. However,
she reports it is a nice little book with charming pictures and one
that might interest Briarders.

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(914/356-7112) tawnies planned for October

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