Diana DiGiacomo turned the tables on her photographer husband recently catching him in a moment of relaxation (?) with their Briard puppy.
PRESIDENT’S COMMENTS:

In the December issue of the AKC Kennel Gazette, our revised breed standard was published for review. The Board of Directors of the AKC will vote approval or disapproval of the standard at their January 1975 meeting. All indications point to their approval and by the time you read this, formal notice of approval may have been received. This revision took years to complete and countless hours were devoted to this project by so many people that it is impossible to single out each contributor for proper recognition. I would hope therefore that a single and sincere “Thank you” will cover all contributors to this major achievement.

While it is still early in the year, let me urge you to make plans to attend the 1975 Specialty Show. There is every indication from Mrs. Stephanie Katz, Show Chairman, that the week-end will be one you won’t want to miss. The week-end will be programmed to provide you with both entertainment and education. You won’t want to miss it.

Phil McNelis

TREASURER’S REPORT

November 1, 1974 - December 31, 1974

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Respectfully submitted by Jerry Cohen

SECRETARY’S PAGE

WE WELCOME THE FOLLOWING NEW MEMBERS:

Charles W. Bauer, 1107 Wertland Street, Charlottesville, VA 22903
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Mrs. T.M. Englehart, 7771 Spring Mill Road, Indianapolis, IN 46260
Sue Fraley, 1010 S. Oakland, Carbondale, IL 62901
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Marie and Monroe Kokin, 316 Texas Road, Old Bridge, NJ 08857
(Charles and Rita Waltz, 504 Wedgewood Drive, Blue Springs, MO 64015

Reinstated

Nancy Tomlin, Little Buckhurst Farm, Stonestile Lane, Westfield, Hastings, Sussex, England

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Laurie Kay, 6024 38th Avenue North, Minneapolis, MN 55429
Carrie Randall, 3301 S.W. 13th Street, Gainesville, FL 32608

APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP

The following have applied for membership in the B.C.A. Letters regarding their qualifications should be addressed to the Secretary.

Mr. & Mrs. Ira Ackerson, 77 Rock Road E., Green Brook, NJ 08812
owners of Beau Cheval's Hallelujah

Brian Beveridge, Box 121, Sunbury, Victoria, Australia 3429
owner of Desamee Dillon Bear and Desamee Nanie Bear

Ward Wright Briggs, jr., Apt #11, 639 Henderson St., Columbia, S.C. 29201

Anne E. Closner, 378 Beverly Rd., Douglaston, NY 11363
owner of Chateaubriard Joie de Vivre

Marli Delaney, 219 Howard St., East Williston, NY 11596

Sharen De Witte, 7200 Bluebill, Algonac, MI 48001
owner of Calumet's Jarboneau J.

Laurel & Robert Fish, 240 Radnor-Chester Rd., Villanova, PA 19085
owners of Jaguar des Sages-Hardis

Michael & Cheryl Foote, 15548 Kirkshire, Birmingham, MI 48009
owners of Tarteciel Jacquot

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Continued...
Applications for membership, continued

Gerald & Belva Kelleher, P.O. Box 293, Hayfork, CA 96041
Faye Sloan, 245 N. Pascack Rd., Spring Valley, NY 10977, owner of Phydeaux Winsome Loosome
Dr. & Mrs. Randall Smith, 2825 N. Parkside, Chicago, IL 60634
owners of Junot Justine d'Occasion
Janet A. Weaver, 2502 Lagrange St., Toledo, OH 43608, owner of Pa'Chick's Jethro

BOARD ACTION

The Board unanimously voted to continue the B.C.A. advertisement in Dog World for another year.

It was unanimously voted to correct the wording of the Code of Ethics in item number 2 from "I will breed dogs to improve the Standard of the breed" to "I will breed dogs to improve the quality of the breed."

Very few members responded with votes for a judge for the '76 Specialty. It was voted to make the specialty judge selection on the votes received. Dubin, Marley, McLeroth, McNelis and Tingley voted to proceed with the votes received. Cohen and Field voted to try to encourage more members to vote.

JUST LOOKING FOR A HOME

2 year old tawny male - house pet - contact Barb Zimmerman
3 year old tawny bitch - house pet - contact Stan Israel
5 year old tawny male - house pet - contact Mary Lou Tingley
2 year old tawny male - pet/show - contact Patti Lukes
2 year old tawny bitch - pet/show - contact Patti Lukes

The number of older Briards in need of a home is increasing. If you know of anyone who would like an older dog as a pet, please contact Mary Lou Tingley (201/ 543-7455) or Diane McLeroth (219/483-2505).

BRIARD COLUMN IN THE AKC GAZETTE

The Briard column in the AKC Gazette should begin with the February issue. Cece Collins, BCA Gazette columnist, wrote her first column on the Socialization of the Briard, a subject of interest to everyone in the breed.

If you do not already subscribe to the Gazette you should consider doing so. Each issue has articles of interest to the general dog fancy, a section devoted to the business of the AKC, a section of show information and a regular feature on the legislation and litigation across the country concerning dogs.

You can subscribe by sending a check for $8.00 for one year ($9.00 per year for Canada or Foreign subscriptions) to:

PURE BRED DOGS AMERICAN KENNEL GAZETTE
51 Madison Avenue
New York, NY 10010.

REPORT OF THE AKC DELEGATE

The regular quarterly meeting of the Delegates to the AKC was held on December 10, 1974 with the following items taking place:

1. A change in the Dog Show Rules was approved whereby non-regular classes (Veteran's for instance) will no longer be done on a combined sex basis. In the future such classes will be divided by sex. My vote was affirmative.

2. A rule change of the Beagle Field Trial Rules clarifying treatment of erroneous entries was approved. My vote was affirmative.

3. The proposed Amendment to the Constitution and By-Laws of the AKC to restrict the eligibility of spouses of Delegates to AKC to also serve as Delegates, which had been tabled at the September meeting, was brought to a vote and not adopted. My vote was negative.

4. Several announcements were made:

A fourth symposium, "Day with AKC", is tentatively being planned to be held in Fort Worth in the latter part of May 1975.

The President, John A. Lafore, Jr., reported that many comments have been received regarding the change in the point system (to award points to Reserve Winners in large class entries). A proposal has not as yet been finalized. A final proposal, if felt feasible, will again be presented to the Delegates but cannot be voted upon by the Delegates until after publication in two consecutive issues of the AKC Gazette.

For the first eleven months of 1974 dogs and litters registered have decreased compared to the same period of 1973. Individual dog registrations were down 0.6% at 1,024,949 and litter registrations were down 2.1% at 381,550. (These percentage decreases are not as pronounced as those covering the first five months of 1974 as reported to you in the August 1974 Dew Claw).

Arthur M. Tingley

DUES ARE DUE

Dues are payable on or before the first day of January. The BCA By-Laws state that a membership will be considered as lapsed and automatically terminated on April 2, 1975 if the Treasurer has not received the dues. If your dues are not yet paid, why not send them to Jerry Cohen today.

DUES ARE DUE
WANTED

GOOD HOME FOR 5 YEAR OLD PET BRIARD:
GENTLE, SWEET DISPOSITION; EXTREMELY
FOND OF CHILDREN; TAWNY MALE.

ORIGINAL OWNER MOVING FROM SUBURBAN
NEW JERSEY TO SAN FRANCISCO APT.,
CANNOT TAKE DOG.

Contact:
Mary Lou Tingley
201-543-7455
7 Yardley Road
Mendham, N.J.

SHOW WINS:

Ch. Pa'Chick's Tassie,
owned by Charles Gates
was given Best of Breed
by Mr. Rex L. Vandeventer
at the Chagrin Valley
K.C. show on Aug. 25.
She is handled by her
owner.

Am. & Can. Ch. Pa'Chick's
Indian Summer is shown
taking Best of Breed at
Monroe Kennel Club under
J. Charles Hamilton on
11/23/74. Owned and bred
by Charles & Pat Long,
she is handled by Pat.
On 11/16/74 "Indy" also
took BOB under J. Mrs.
Peter Guntermann at the
Lima K.C. show.

HINTS AND ADVICE
BY KAY NINE

With the classes in Briards getting bigger and bigger and the
attention from the public for our beautiful sheepdogs increasing, it is
time to turn to the exhibition of the Briard.

Many fanciers are new to the show ring and I feel that some
pointers on ring manners and handling are in order, and some reminders
on good sportsmanship as well for both the experienced and the new
exhibitors.

Nothing starts a show day better than leaving the house without
stress to arrive on time at the show. Prepare for the show the day
before, having your car ready with all necessary equipment. I would
suggest carrying your own food and water supply and dog dishes as part
of your necessities. (Both human and canine food, unless you are a
lover of non-gourmet hot dogs!)

Have your dog groomed as completely as possible before the show day
so that you will have little brushing and last minute touching up to do.
Your attitude of calm control of the situation can only be beneficial to
the dog and his attitude at the show.

Your Briard should be trained well in advance of the show. He
should be trained to be responsive to the lead and should have had
experience at being set up in show position, even if he does also walk
naturally into a good show pose. Be sure he is used to having his
dewclaws handled. He should be walked in crowds and should be used to
strangers and commotion long before he ever walks into the show ring.
When possible, he should attend training class with his owner, so that
they may both profit from professional or experienced trainers.

A great deal of the dog's success in the ring depends upon his
handler and many exhibitors, quite new to the ring, are learning along
with their dogs. I hope that they will realize that no matter how
difficult handling may seem to them, the more they attend shows, watch
experienced handlers and go into the ring themselves, the better they
will become. It takes practice and hard work, but it can pay off.

Always pay strict attention to what is going on in the ring. True,
you must continue to work with your dog, but you must keep in mind that
the judge will be giving directions to you and the other exhibitors.
Always follow carefully what he says. Lack of attention is discourteous
but you will find that if you have responded properly to directions and
have difficulty, most judges will be very patient and helpful. Be sure
that you bring a clean dog with no mats into the ring. Personal areas
of dirt spoil an otherwise clean dog and are most offensive to the judge.
You must dress appropriately and colorfully to form a good background
for your dog. Comfortable, well-fitting clothes are the order of the
day, preferably of colors that enhance the dog. Remember, he is on
display - it is his day, not yours. Beachwear or short shorts belong on
the beach, not in the show ring. If in doubt as to proper ring attire,

Be courteous to the judge. He is there to do a difficult job and
whether or not you agree with his decisions, good manners are all part
of good sportsmanship. Always thank the judge for a placement when he
hands you the ribbon, even if it is fourth place when you thought you
should have placed first. Don't argue with the judge. You may ask for
a few words of advice from him after the judging is completed: but he

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HINTS AND ADVICE -continued

has already given you his opinion as to the placing that day, so there
is no need to argue or question a placement. You paid your entry fee
for his judgement and he gave it.

If something is upsetting to your dog, it is up to you to teach him
not to be upset by it. The dog must conform to the situation. The
situation (or the judge) does not conform to the dog.

If you are upset about a loss, cool down for a bit, and then say a
few words of congratulations to the owner whose dog won. Some day you
will probably change places with him, and I know you would welcome a
pleasant word from him. Also, be a good winner. It's lovely to win
and we would not be human if we didn't also crow a bit when our Briard
wins: but it is gracious to have a pleasant comment to the owner of the
losing dog when he congratulates you. I know of no other situation
where the tables are turned with such regularity as at dog shows, so
remember to "do unto others...."

Don't be a loud ringside judge. We all love to judge from the
outside of the ring, but it is most annoying to others if in order to
watch judging they are forced to listen to a constant stream of your
personal comments (usually negative and often incorrect). So keep your
judgment to yourself unless asked, and then answer quietly so that all the
ringsiders and the judge do not have to hear it as well.

Always keep in mind how difficult it is for show-giving clubs to
hold these shows. The sites are hard to find and must be left in top
condition after the show. You can show your appreciation for the
opportunity to exhibit by helping to clean up your grooming area after
the show - paper, hair, soda cans, etc. - plus whatever mess your dog
may have left. Always carry plastic trash bags and scoops to clean up
your area and if possible, help someone near you to do the same.

Perhaps that person will learn from you and will, in turn teach someone
else. We cannot afford to do otherwise, or we will find ourselves with
fewer and fewer shows to attend. This is also true of motel accommoda-
tions when you must travel to the shows. There have been so many
inconsiderate dog owners who have left motels in shambles that many
motel owners now turn away dog show people where they once were welcome. If
you must leave your Briard unattended in a motel room, be certain that
he is crated and leave on the television to keep him company. Even the
best of housedogs may do damage when left alone in a strange room.

Crated or not, if left alone for any extended time, a dog can be
extremely vocal. Therefore, never leave your dog alone for any longer
than is absolutely necessary. Be sure to exercise your Briard where he
will not be a public nuisance, and clean up after him. Ensure that you
and your Briard can be welcomed back wherever you go.

RASSEMBLEMENT REPORT - Work on the report of Rassemblement '74
is progressing. Although it has taken longer to complete the report than was
expected, we hope that it can be mailed in the near future.

THE FARRIERY

A number of Briard owners have asked for advice on dealing with
diarrhea, that familiar intestinal disorder resulting in loose or
liquid stools. Unfortunately, since diarrhea is a symptom, rather
than a disease itself, there is no simple prescription for its cure.
Consult a veterinarian if your dog suffers from diarrhea for several
days in a row—or immediately if the diarrhea arrives as an uncon-
trolled jet.

Diarrhea can simply indicate that a dog is under stress, but it is
also frequently a cue to more serious problems. If your dog has re-
peated or chronic diarrhea, you should have him checked for worms,
for possible parasites, for pancreatic problems or intestinal infec-
tion. Diarrhea has been established as a symptom of distemper, poison-
ing and a potential indication of tumor but has also been found to be
the logical consequence of inappropriate diet.

It may be helpful to take a dog with diarrhea off its usual food and
substitute meals of boiled rice mixed with boiled lamb or boiled ground
beef—discarding the fatty water in which the meat cooked. After sev-
eral days, elements of the normal diet can be reintroduced one at a
time. You may discover an allergy to kibble of the type you've been
feeding. Intolerance for a particular type of canned meat might be re-
vealed. It is a fact that certain kibbles are too rich for some dogs,
while other dogs have low tolerance for animal fats.

In addition to the cooked-meat-and-rice approach, some owners have
introduced cottage cheese or one of the dry-burger commercial foods
to their pets' regular diets to encourage firmer stools. Both sub-
stances have a binding effect. If your dog has loose stools, feed
several small meals a day and no scraps (do not feed milk, raw egg
whites or fish) while consulting with your veterinarian.

When a dog has diarrhea for more than a day or two, you can be assured
that metabolism of his diet is being affected. He will not be absorb-

ing nutrients adequately and his physical condition will deteriorate.
For this reason, I hesitate to accept "nerves" as a safe diagnosis for
diarrhea. My personal experience includes a young Briard who had
diarrhea at all shows and whenever I was away for several days. After
a few months of this on-off "nervous" condition, we discovered the dog
was a victim of coccidiosis, hard to detect since (unlike worm eggs)
coccidia are not evident in every stool sample. Puppies will suffer
from coccidiosis for from 3 to 10 days but may become carriers of
the disease retaining mild life-long infection if untreated. On
occasion, coccidiosis is fatal.

Recent research with German Shepherds points to 5 types of diarrhea
prevalent in the breed. One of these, eosinophilic gastro-enteritis,
has been characterised as common among puppy males and resulting from
migrating parasitic larvae. Dogs have normal appetites but remain
lean, have non-bloody, soft diarrhea, some irritability and some res-
piratory difficulty. A blood sample provides the best diagnosis of
this disease. Research suggesting that a tendency to diarrhea is in-
herited is inconclusive to date.

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THE FARRIERY continued

Now that you are warned, we can take up the question of nervous diarrhea. Certainly this is a frequent diagnosis of the condition. You can help establish a case for nerves by keeping a record of when your dog has loose stools and any concurrent changes in his diet, environment or daily routine. In extreme cases your vet may prescribe tranquillizers, but working to overcome your dog’s fears and counteract his nervousness is generally an adequate approach to the problem. An owner’s unease is quickly communicated to his dog, so it is wise to examine our own states of mind before blaming the dog for incurable show nerves or a stomach that won’t travel. Medication, such as Neopetsol, is useful as a temporary aid in reducing digestive distress and, therefore, both diarrhea and vomiting. Your vet might be willing to let you keep some of these pills on hand for emergencies, assuming of course that you will use only as directed.

Diarrhea, while a common problem, should not be accepted as routine. Neither you nor your Briard need suffer from it. Do consult your vet.

B.C.A. Medical Committee
M. Field, Chairman
(6 Rebel Rd., Westport, CT 06880)

Carol Cruz——Stan Guy——Mimi Long——Dallas Meggitt——

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TAWNY PUPPIES DUE MARCH 9TH

AM. AND CAN. CH. PHYDEAUX QUELQUES
SIRE: CH. VELU DE CHARLEMAGNE (BERGERAC)
CH. TENDRESSA DE CHARLEMAGNE

AM. AND CAN. CH. PHYDEAUX QUELQUES

DAM: UNE FILLE DE CHARLEMAGNE (BUFFY)
CH. RECHERCHE DE CHARLEMAGNE

Mr. and Mrs. David Catanzaro
6960 Kingsbury Blvd.
St. Louis, Mo. 63130
(314) 721-5647

Dear Friend:

Congratulations to Barbara Charbonneau and Ch. Uther Bijou de Strathcona, who completed her American title on August 18, 1974. (She finished her Canadian Championship on July 1, 1973). This three year old tawny bitch went on to a Working Group 4 under Mr. Ed Dixon at Thunder Bay Ontario, Sept. 22, 1974, and B.O.S. at the Ottawa K.C., Nov. 24, 1974. Jan Charbonneau’s up ‘n coming puppy, “Sandor” (Phydeaux Wildfall) took the breed at the same show, and a W.G. 4th, under Mr. Dixon at the ripe old age of 11 months!! At the Cavalier King Charles Club sanctioned match, Dec. 15th, Sandor went Best in Match and Best Puppy in Match with an entry of over 500 dogs.

Sandor’s littermate, Phydeaux Wild Fire made his show debut in Texas last month going B.O.B. as a puppy over three adults. Both Sandor and Wildfire are out of the Tingley’s Sheba (Ch. Phydeaux Usheba des Berger’s) by String - December 1973 litter.

Added congratulations to Alice and Bill Kent whose “Coggy”.

EAST SIDE STORY

Hello!... and to all who may be reading, chewing on, sniffing, or in some other way enjoying this issue....a belated, tho' nonetheless sincerely wished Happy New Year from the Koseff family...which as of November 20th, 1974 includes, Millicent (the proud Mamma), Renny (the proud Pappa), Pippin (the very proud, shaggy friend) and Stefanie (the new darlin' daughter).

Stefanie surprised us with a rather early arrival (two months to be exact). An incredibly tiny 2 lbs 2 ozs at birth, Stefanie has been in the Regional New Born Center at Monmouth Medical Center, Long Branch, New Jersey, a really fantastic premature baby research center. Right now we are busily preparing for Stefanie’s homecoming, which will hopefully be by the end of January. Even Pippin has been spending long thoughtful hours, deciding which of his squeaky toys will be shared with his new little play pal!

Though I missed both Philadelphia and Boston area shows in December, Mercer Field and Mary Lou Tingley were kind enough to fill me in on the highlights of both weekends. At the Philadelphia K.C. show, Dec. 7, the Tingleys’ Ch. Phydeaux Quolin de Cuivre (String) took the breed. Although there had been a large entry, the attendance that Saturday was quite small. The next day at Camden, NJ, Ken and Cecce Collins’Chateau-briard Jus d’Orange (O.J.) was Best of Breed. O.J., handled by Cecce, continued his impressive wins the next weekend in Boston, at the Eastern Dog Club, under judge Donald Booxbaum, by going up over specials for B.O.B! O.J. then took B.O.W. at the Worcester County K.C. and String took B.O.B.....whe! Quite a heavy couple of weeks for those who participated.

Adding to the excitement of the Boston shows was Jerry Cohen's after-the-show-luncheon. Quite a success with lots of people, pate', casseroles and of course lots of wine to help celebrate Mercer Field's birthday!

Those at Jerry’s were introduced to Richard and Louise Bloomenthal. The Bloomenthal’s own French Import, Josquin de la Tour St. Genin, a good looking tawny male, as told to me, who is the only dog of the Tour St. Genin breeding in the U.S.A. He is 18 months old, bred by Madame Tabutaud by Skicky de la Tour out of Isis de Philipiques. Lately, since Meatball and his Cohen and Josquin and his Bloomenthal have been walking daily together through the Boston Commons, frequenters of the Commons, already quite familiar with Meatball, now address Josquin as “Little Meatball”!

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EAST SIDE STORY continued

Phydeaux Incognito, definitely finished at the Vineland, NJ show this past October. Apparently there had been a discrepancy over one point at the Lakawana show, so the Kents are very pleased with their new champion who will now try his hand (paw?) in the obedience ring.

More show news of a different nature comes from Catherine Kelly, of Savannah, Georgia, who after reading Dorothy and Charles Vetrone's account of "Charlie's" theatrical debut in Camelot, recalls how their Hermes de la Gaillarde (now deceased) won rave revues as well as everyone's heart in the 1965 local production of Camelot. (Page 16 of the December, 1965 Dew Claw, if you have it) Catherine feels that Briards should be dubbed "Camelot's official mascot"! Break a leg to future four legged thespians!

John and Susan Alexander write that their local all breed club, the Mattaponi K.C., Manassas, VA, will hold its first point show, May 17. Mrs. Cole will judge both breed and group. John and Susan invite all Briarders and "friends" for a buffet at their home after the show. There will be trophies as well so drop John and Susan a note - or phone - or just come if you can. Carroll County, Md. will have its show the following day.

I recently came across a really nice photo essay about local sports heroes, the "Philadelphia Flyers", done by none other than our own Mel Di Giacomo. How fortunate we were to have him shoot the Rassemblement. Thanks again, Mel!

And thank you...to everyone who helped with my first column...especially Mercer. I'll have more first hand accounts in the future...and of course more news and information from all of you!!!

Millicent Koseff

Chateaubriard Jus d'Orange is shown below after taking a major and Best of Breed over specials at Boston's Eastern Dog Club show on Dec. 8, 1974. "O.J." is handled by breeder-owner, Cece Collins and the judge is Donald Booxbaum.


TAWNY PUPPIES AVAILABLE

advertisement

Calumet's Jabet J - Grand Rapids K.C. Show 11/10/74
Judge: Mr. Gordon M. Parham W.B. - 1 point & B.O.B.
Handled by: Hank Riske Owned by: Fran Volkman

Jabet, at the age of 8½ months has 8 points with one 3 point major.
KENNELS

"J" LITTER BORN FEBRUARY 26, 1974

Calumet's Jezra J - Western Reserve K.C. Show 12/15/74
Judge: Mrs. Maynard K. Drury W.B., B.W. - 2 points and B.O.B. Handled by: Hank Riske Owned by: Fran Volkman

Jezra, at the age of 9½ months has 14 points with two 4 point majors. Jezra was also shown once in Canada and picked up 3 points there. This bitch is for sale.

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(Second Placed Briard in Canada for 1972 & 1973)

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TRAINING A SHEEP DOG

Due to an increasing interest in training the Briard to work sheep, the following article is reprinted from the June 1970 issue of the Dwy Claw. Written for the South African Merino Breeders' Journal (Jan. 1941) it has been printed and distributed by the NORTH AMERICAN SHEEP DOG SOCIETY as a public relations service to its members and friends. The article was written BY MR. W. ROSS

I am writing this article in the hope that it will be of assistance to young farmers anxious to train a sheep dog; as before undertaking such a task some knowledge is essential. This knowledge is very difficult to impart. Dogs vary tremendously and have to be studied as individuals, but nevertheless some help can be gotten from written advice such as I will try to give.

Essentials for success are, of course, a genuine love of dogs, a good specimen to work on, determination to succeed, patience, and some technical knowledge. My task is to provide the last-named as far as I can.

Your first step is to obtain the very best pup that you can lay your hands on. You may have to pay a stiff price, but I am sure most breeders would replace any pup gratis that did not come up to expectations for reasons beyond the control of the handler; that is, breeding. When you consider the time spent in training, the cheap pup that turns out to be a second rate worker or possibly even a failure, is very expensive compared with the pup that costs a little more but turns out as it should; so make sure you get the best. Try to see the parents working, unless you can rely on the breeder's word and his knowledge. I have known so called wonderful dogs that I would not take as a gift. Study the pedigrees; beware of too close inbreeding; let working qualities come first and type and looks afterwards.

Dogs are usually preferable to bitches. They are probably a little more headstrong and more forceful, but one does not have that periodical trouble of their coming in heat.

As far as we are concerned, there are only the Border Collie and the Kelpie to choose from. The former is the breed that has evolved in the border countries of England and Scotland, and as far as we can ascertain, dates back 300 years; whereas the Kelpie is an Australian breed. It varies a lot in color and size and probably springs from the same source as the Border Collie, with possibly some admixture of blood far back. That does not, however, detract from its present value. You will probably find the Border Collie more obedient and stylish, while the Kelpie is harder. A world authority, who bred both in Australia, in a letter to me, says he prefers the Border Collie for any class of work. You may please yourself about what breed you choose, but get the best specimen.

Try to get your puppy when he is from 8 to 12 weeks old, as he begins developing then and should be encouraged along the right lines from the start. At this early stage, he should receive no checking. I have known puppies to take an active interest in sheep at 7 weeks of age; but don't be despondent if he does not take an interest until considerably later, as long as his breeding is right.

First, give him a name -- a short one that will carry well when he is some distance away. Now gain his affection and confidence.

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TRAINING A SHEEP DOG - continued

Until he is about six months old you should give him three meals a day and thereafter, two. Give him the best food you can. When grown up you need give him only one good meal a day. This is my practice and I find they do well on it; but I think that when they are being really hard worked they should have a light meal in the morning as well.

As a start, any decent outroom will do for the puppy's sleeping quarters, but later you should put him on a chain every night and during all times when he is not with you. Then he should have a decent kennel, either made of wood or of plastered brick—one with wooden floor and pitched roof is ideal. See that he can get shade, too. I chain my dogs onto long wires so that they can move from kennel to shade at will. Next you can start chaining him for a short while at a time and teaching him to lead. If he gets in your way while working, chain him rather than chase him away. Always feed him yourself and see that he does not acquire bad habits, but learns decent manners.

At three or four months you can teach him to lie down. Use any command you like, either word, whistle, or sign, but only one for the present. You will find the whistle best in guarding against the bad effect of your possible ill-temper. It does not convey your feelings as does the spoken word. I usually make him lie down at his food, pressing him and saying, "sit down," or giving at the same time a soft short whistle. Or else you can have him on a lead and, pressing him down say, "sit down." As he learns, gradually increase your distance from him, but always make the sound suit the distance. By that I mean speak softly when he is near and more loudly when he is further away. If you have taught him to lie down at his food you will probably find that he won't want to eat while you are about. That does not matter. You have taught him to lie down and you can teach him to do so without his food. Give him plenty of practice at dropping down at any odd moment when he is about with you. It is absolutely essential that he should obey immediately. Always use the same word for the same thing. You must also teach him to come to you when you call him. Usually they learn this very easily, but if you have any difficulty, put him on a long cord and pull him towards you while giving the command. You must also make him walk at your heel from now on. It is bad to have a dog running ahead to frighten sheep away or perhaps even chasing them, or chasing a hare that may jump up, especially if he is not yet under proper control. If he is at heel he is always ready for immediate action should it be needed, as that is the position from which you will cast him later when you start working him.

When your pup is about five months old and sometimes takes too active an interest in things, you should chain him when there is anything about to chase, and also at night, or when not under your eye. Make him perfect at dropping (lying down), coming to heel and walking at heel, until he is strong enough (and fast enough) to head off sheep and shows a keeness to do so.

Your puppy is now obedient, well grown, and wants to start work, so let's make a start. Let me again remind you of the necessity for patience and persistence. Get a dozen or two sheep (be careful not to get anything that is likely to fight the pup and so scare him); get the sheep up against a fence in a nice open space, walk in amongst them, making them scatter, and let him head them back. Do this several times, sometimes catching one. Do this until he learns to hold the sheep up against the fence. Drop him every now and then in between. Next get the sheep into the center of a level open paddock of a few morgen.
(a morgen is a unit of surface measurement) stand 30 to 40 yards from the sheep, sit the dog down and, moving towards them, encourage him to round them and bring them up to you. Should you see that he wants to come round in front of the sheep (between you and the sheep), drop him before he can do so and tell him again to bring them. Give him the command to run around them or cast him. He must only be taught to bring sheep to you for the present.

As you increase the distance that you send him to fetch sheep, you will have to cast him wider. This is no easy task if the tendency is for him to run straight at them. So far you have had to be satisfied with him bringing them. Even if this initial operation of bringing sheep is not done just as it should be done at first, show your appreciation whenever he has pleased you; it will encourage him.

If he prefers running out on the one hand (side) let him do so for the meantime. Supposing he prefers to go round on the right (as you face the sheep), to cast him properly and wide, drop him a few yards behind you on the left, then with a wave of the right arm bring him round behind you to your right, giving him the command at the same time of course. This at any rate starts him out wide. To put him out still wider, once he learns to come round behind you nicely, increase the distance between you and him. Do the same when sheep are far off, so that in time he will learn to know when to cast far or near by the distance between you at the starting of the cast. When he has learned to cast properly on the one hand, teach him to do so on the other. When he casts efficiently and works steadily at all distances, you can cast him on the blind -- that is, on sheep out of sight.

To get round sheep, he should cast out in a semicircle and approach the sheep form the side directly opposite you. Putting the sheep into movement is called "lifting". He should drop ("clap") or stand until the sheep move off quietly and then follow up quietly. He should not wear (run backwards and forwards) unless the sheep are stubborn or are in a mob. The whole idea is to work quietly without frightening the sheep.

Some dogs have "style" and "eye". The two generally go together; the "style" is the crouching approach they make, and is highly thought of in trials and exhibitions. "Eye" is the fixed gaze when approaching sheep. It is essential for moving a stubborn sheep. No sheep can stand a dog staring at it while approaching like a chameleon. True eye can be carried to excess when one cannot move the dog through it having "too strong eye". This is called "sticky eye". To break a dog of very strong "eye", make him drive sheep with you; it helps to prevent that jerkiness which often results from too much style and eye.

A dog should be steady, have some style and eye, enough to walk steadily right up to a stubborn sheep until it turns and walks away. He must not frighten his sheep by rushing about or charging at them. He must be gentle but firm and not attempt to bite them. You can tolerate biting only if a sheep charges him, in which case he should hold his ground and defend himself.

You have your dog gathering now; that is, casting, lifting, and bringing. Next you should teach him to take direction. Place him between you and the sheep. If you want him to go round them to the right step to the right with your right hand out, saying, "this way", and giving him the cast command. Do just the opposite to get him to go to the left side.

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ends his show career with Best of Breed
Worcester Kennel Club, December 1974

finished championship at 11 months of age
Best of Breed 65 times
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14 group placements
#2 CH. PHYDEAUX QUOIN DE CUIVRE, OWNED BY M. TINGLEY
12 group placements
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9 group placements

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FOR FUN AND ECONOMY

MAKE YOUR OWN DOG BISCUITS

Yes, you can make your own dog biscuits. The following recipe can be varied considerably to suit your mood and the products you have on hand at the moment. These are loaded with nutrition, the dogs love them and you might even find the children eating one for a snack.

**DOG BISCUITS**

Mix together and warm slightly in the oven:
- 1 cup of wheat germ
- 1 cup of soya flour
- assorted flours to equal a total of 2 pounds, such as
  - 1# stone ground whole wheat flour
  - ¼# flaked oats
  - ¼# barley meal
  - ¼# rye flour
  - ¼# corn meal

Add:
- 2 tablespoons of honey
- 2 tablespoons of corn or safflower oil
- 2 teaspoons of sea salt or powdered kelp
- any or all of the following:
  - 2 tablespoons of dried parsley
  - 2 teaspoons of rosemary
  - 2 teaspoons of garlic powder
  - 2 teaspoons of monosodium glutamate
  - 2 teaspoons of basil
  - 2 tablespoons of dried carrots or a grated carrot

Mix in enough water to make a bread-like dough
Knead until smooth
Roll out on an oiled cookie sheet and cut into bars with a pizza cutter.
Let stand in a warm place for 30 minutes
Bake at 375° until browned.

Our thanks to Dorothy Vetrone for this recipe. She said she is not sure how long they will keep as they never are around long enough to test them.

**PUPPY COOKIES**

(Adults love 'em too!)

Mix: 1 jar of strained baby meat
- 4 tablespoons of powdered milk
- 7 tablespoons of wheat germ

Shape into one-inch balls. Place on a cookie sheet.
Press flat and bake at 350° until lightly browned.

NEWS AND VIEWS FROM THE MID-WEST

On October 20 at the Minneapolis Kennel Club show, Stonehill's I'm Henri owned by Robert & Gerry Adolphus finished his championship under Judge Mr. Forest Hall by going W.D. and B.W. for 2 points. Henri finished under a year old with 3 majors and 7 Best of Breeds. He took his first points, a 4 point major, from the puppy class. From then on he was undefeated in the classes. He is a very striking tawny male 27½ inches at the withers.

December 7 at Kankakee Kennel Club, Ch. Stonehill's I'm Henri being the only entry under Judge Mr. Robert Ward was B.O.B. He then went on to pickup a Group 4th also under Mr. Ward. Nice going for a puppy only 13 months old.

November 16 at the Lima Kennel Club show, Can. Ch. Fa'Chick's Impresario owned by Susan McCormick finished his American championship under Judge Mrs. Peter Gunterman by going W.D., B.W. & B.O.S. for a 3 point major at just over a year old.

January 5 at the McKinley Kennel Club show, Jean Pierre de Charlemagne owned by Dr. & Mrs. E. R. McNeal finished his championship by going W.D. for 4 points and B.W. under Judge Mr. Roy Kibler.

I received a Christmas card from Bill & Joyce Awodey and they tell me they will soon be moving to the St. Louis, MO, area. Bill was offered a job in St. Louis and they decided to take it. They are now in the process of selling their home here and moving. Anyone in the area keep an eye out for them since they plan to start showing again as soon as they get settled. Sorry to see you go, good luck on your new venture.

Show News

International Kennel Club of Chicago - November 2, 1974
Judge Mr. Joseph Faigel - entry 4-4-1 - BOB Stonehill's I'm Henri (Robert & Gerry Adolphus), WD 3 pts. Jngleur Noir de Charlemagne (Tom & Sharon Cook, Jr.), RD Stonehill's I'm Jacques (Marilyn Rasmussen & Robert Adolphus), WB 3 pts., BW & BOS Calumet's Jabett J (Fran Volkman), RB Urania Berger du Nord (David Behrens).

Northeastern Indiana Kennel Club, Inc. - 11-3-74 - Judge Mrs. Winifred L. Heckmann - entry 0-1-1 - WB & BOB Calumet's Jabett J, BUS Ch. Va-Nu-Pieds de Charlemagne (Louise M. Cohen).

Grand Rapids Kennel Club - 11-10-74 - Judge Mr. Gordon M. Farham - entry 0-2-0 - WB, BOB 1 pt. Calumet's Jabett J.


Ingham County Kennel Club - 12-8-74 - Judge Mr. W. Ray Norsworthy - entry 1-2-1 - BOB Ch. Umbi Chabiv de Strathcona (Jerry & Stephanie Katz), WD Tarteciel Jacquot (Mike & Cheryl Foote), WB 1 pt., BW, BOS Calumet's Jezra J.

Richland County Kennel Club, Inc. - 12-14-74 - Judge Mrs. Bileen Finlott - entry 2-2-1 - BOB Ch. Pa' Chick's Indian Summer, WD 1 pt., BOS Pa' Chick's Jethro (Pat Long & Janet Weaver), WB 1 pt., BW Calumet's Jezra J.


Agathon Kennel Club - 1-4-75 - Judge Mr. Glen Sommers - entry 3-2-1 - BOB Ch. Pa'Chick's Indian Summer, WD 2 pts. BOS Jean Pierre de Charlemagne, WB, BW 2 pts. Pa'Chick's Jezebel.

McKinley Kennel Club - 1-5-75 - Judge Mr. Roy Kibler - entry 5-3-2 - BOB Ch. Use-Tout de Charlemagne, WD 4 pts. BW Jean Pierre de Charlemagne, RD Pa'Chick's Jethro, WB 2 pts., BOS Pa'Chick's Jezebel.

Patricia Long

Are Dog People Really Crazy????

December 1st was the day of the Dan Emmet Kennel Club show in Gambier, Ohio. Sue McCormick, Fran Volkman & myself had made entries and with only a prediction of 2 to 4" of snow we decided we would all go. At 12:30 a.m. we loaded 3 Briard bitches (one in season) a male Briard (to be picked up by new owner at the show) and a male Malamute and a large bottle of chlorophyl tablets in Fran's van and left heading south. By the time we reached Toledo it had started to snow, from there on it snowed & snowed & snowed some more. By the time we got to highway 229 to head east into Gambier, there were only two ruts in the snow which the van was now nearly dragging in. All the way down 229 we prayed we wouldn't meet another crazy driver out in this mess. We finally made it to the show at 8:30 a.m., worn out but in one piece. We unloaded and got inside snow covered as the snow was still coming down heavy and wet. (Malamutes went in the ring shortly after 9:00 a.m. and needless to say that ring started on time, with the Malamute going RD.)

Now we waited for Briard judging at 2:30 p.m. About 1:30 Mrs. Estes from Kentucky arrived through the snow to pick up their new Briard (Pa'Chick's Joshua). Since there was more snow predicted, she left shortly after trudging the snow with Josh tail a-wagging. Briard entry was 4-3-1 and we wound up with an entry of 1-3-1. My Indy was BOB, Fran's Jezra was WB for 2 pts. and Sue's Jezebel was RB (not bad). Now we waited for the group. After group we loaded up again and started out.

By now the roads had been plowed and salted. It was still snowing lightly, but we could see the road in spots which made us very happy. As we arrived in Findley, we decided we would stop at McDonalds and get something to eat and to wake up a little as none of us had been to bed since Friday night. At McDonalds we heard the bad news, about 6 miles ahead the state police were turning everyone back
as the roads into Michigan were closed (19 inches of snow and more in places). After making phone calls home, we headed for the closest motel (Holiday Inn) only to find there wasn't a motel with a room available in Findley. We found out the closest room was in Lima so a reservation was made for us at the Holiday Inn in Lima. Now we headed south again. By the time we got to Lima, they were filled but we had our room so we started unloading.

Now to feed the 4 dogs. The restaurant was closed with no place to get anything, so they had donuts we had taken with us, french fries, milk bones and anything else we could find that was eatable.

Monday morning Sue & Fran left for the nearest super market only to find even the food was getting scarce as the shipments were not getting through. Not much choice in dog food, but at least the dogs could now eat and they ate.

The roads were still closed Monday night. Tuesday morning they started letting the traffic go through so we loaded up again and started out. The roads were bad in places. Cars were plowed in on the sides of the roads but the snowmen sitting on the guard rails in the center of the expressway sat quietly as the traffic slowly moved by.

We arrived home about 4:00 p.m. Tuesday. The dogs were happy, we had chlorophyll left and we are not expecting a litter of Briard & Malamute puppies. Oh well, let's get ready for the show next Saturday (North into Canada!!!!).

Patricia Long

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PUPPIES DUE MARCH 1st

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4 POINT MAJOR - Pa'Chick's Impresario, owned by Susan McCormick is shown taking a 4 point major at Livonia K.C. in September, under judge, Charles Hamilton. He is handled by his owner.

TWO MAJORS - Pa'Chick's Jethro owned by Pat Long and Janet Weaver is shown above after taking Winners Dog, Best of Winners and Best of Opposite Sex for 4 points under Charles Hamilton, at the Monroe K.C. show on 11/23/74. Jethro was also awarded a 3 point major by Mrs. Nicholas Demidoff at the Progressive Dog Club of Wayne Co. show on 10/6/74. He is handled here by owner, Janet Weaver.

FEBRUARY 1975
BRIARDS

Judge: MR. ROBERT H. WARD


BRIARDS, Dogs, 6 months and under 9 months.


WINNERS BITCH


BRIARDS, Best of Breed Competition.


WINNERS BITCH


BRIARDS, America Bred Bitches.


THE ANSWER LADY

Talk about great minds -- I received a letter from David Behrens asking a series of statistical questions that are the very ones that started me on this Answer Lady gambit in the first place. I now have some of the facts, and the twisted-arm promise of Jayne Dubin to research those (via AKC records) that the BCA cannot supply.

HE ASKS THE NUMBER OF BRIARDS REGISTERED EACH YEAR FROM 1922 ON. And these I do not have, which really gets things off to a roaring bang, wouldn't you say. Thats one for the computer on Mad. Ave. Being a Member Club, we have access to the vast research facilities of the AKC.

The B.C.A., incidentally, has been a Member Club, since 1928. Parent breed clubs, all-breed kennel clubs, obedience and field-training clubs, and some regional breed clubs comprise the membership. There are about 400 total, of which less than 20 percent are parent breed clubs. AKC dues are $25 per year. This entitles the Member Club, among other things, to send a delegate to the quarterly meetings in New York City. Until just the end of 1974, the AKC remained one of the last bastions of exclusive maleness, but they've since seen the light, and women delegates may now serve as representatives. The Member Club is also entitled to give one free Specialty Show per year, with additional ones costing $15.

Our current delegate is Arthur M. Tingley. Member breed clubs are permitted to submit a monthly column to the Gazette, the official magazine of the AKC. At our annual meeting in August, it was voted that the BCA do this, so look for Cece Collins' articles to be appearing very soon.

THE NUMBER AND NAMES OF BRIARD C.D.s, C.D.X.s, U.D.s, T.D.s, CHAMPIONS. Aha, this one, I got! There appeared in the December 1969 Dew Claw, a complete list as of October of that year. It covered 10 pages. I have since updated it, through the last available Gazette. Obviously, it would break our printing budget for the next century to list them all here, but anyone interested can drop me a line and I'll send one along.

Through November 1974, there have been 26 C.D.s, 7 C.D.X.s, and only one U.D. Nobody has ever been through tracking. The first C.D. was earned by Jonette de Grand Coudray, owned by Mr. & Mrs. R.S. Tessier in 1945. The best obedience year was 1973, with 3 C.D.s and 2 C.D.X.s.

From 1931, there have been 182 conformation Champions. When the December Gazette comes in, '74 should be the biggest year ever. For the first 11 months, 23 were confirmed. In 1973, there were 24, and '72 saw 25. 1971 had a dozen, and the year before that (the first time Briards made it into double figures) there were 13.

Mary Lou Tingley tells me that the first Briards were shown in 1929 (having been recognized the year before), which means 45 years of competition in the U.S. showing. The first Champion of Record was Ch. REGENT DE LA POMMERIE, owned by Mrs. A. Whelan, the year was 1931. (See photo at the left)

As late as 1938, Briards were shown in Miscellaneous, not Working Group, but evidently it was possible to gain championship points in that classification. I cornered my local friendly AKC Representative at a recent show and asked him about that, and all I got was a definite, "Ah donno" and the name of the AKC librarian out of him. So, that's something to check into.

The one and only dog to have earned four American titles was Ch. Walton's Etienne, U.D., owned by Mr. and Mrs. William P. Kent. His C.D. and C.D.X. came in 1955; and the U.D. a year later. He became a conformation Champion in 1958. I understand he was being trained to track, but a badly cut paw put an end to his illustrious career.

According to B.C.A. records, the first group placement by a Briard was captured in 1963 by Ch. Prince Igor des Coteaux owned by May Betty Thompson. Then in 1969, Ch. Phoebe Chez Phydeaux, owned by Barbara and Bruce McQuillan was given the first Group I in the breed.

The first and only Briard to win Best in Show is Ch. Phydeaux Tambourine, owned by Bob and Elaine Klein. Tamby took his honors on October 8, 1972 at the Fairbanks K.C. show in Alaska.

DAVID ALSO ASKS ABOUT OFA-CERTIFIED BRIARDS. I have no direct information on this but I understand that a list will be carried in this issue of the Dew Claw.

Dorothy Vetrone passed along something further on the ELUSIVE PRINCE GOMER, C.D. WITH THE ILP NUMBER I was wondering about last issue. She had sleuthed down the name of the owner through the superintendent of one of the shows at which he earned a 'leg' and wrote to them inquiring of the dog's background, but no response came back. Dorothy says Mary Lou also did the same thing with the same results.

Lest you wonder why the curiosity, ILP stands for Indefinite Listing Privilege, and means someone (like a vet) certifies that the dog is purebred, but of unknown pedigree or origin. It is the combination of the rarity of the beast back in 1969, coupled with the fact that Gomer is probably the only Briard ever to compete under an ILP that piques my interest. Well, nuthin' like a good mystery on a dull winter day, I always say.

Next time, group placements...

Louise Cohen, 6642 Wealthy, Clarkston, MI 48016, 313/625-5330.
THE FIGHT AGAINST BLOAT CONTINUES

O.F.A. CERTIFIED BRIARDS

The Orthopedic Foundation for Animals and Dysplasia Control Registry issues a number to any dog whose radiograph has been submitted to them and appears clear of hip dysplasia.

Following is the list of Briards that have been issued an OFA number, as of November 22, 1974. The missings names and numbers belong to certified Briards whose owners have not given permission, as yet, for the names to be released. If your Briard has one of the missing numbers, please send this information to the Secretary so our records will be complete.

CERTIFIED NORMAL BRIARDS

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FB-7  Le Roux Chez Chien Velu
FB-8  Twin Town Savoir-Vivre Bon Ami
FB-10 Ch. Ralph des Elfes de Malouse, CD
FB-12 Ch. Reine des Elfes de Malouse
FB-13 Beauchamp de Grand Coeur
FB-14 Ch. Teddy du Lac de Bethmale, CDX
FB-15 Ch. Quick-Pik de la Gaillarde
FB-17 Ch. Phyeaux Poupee de Marha
FB-18 Ch. Phyeaux Usheba des Bergers
FB-19 Ch. Teed D'el Pastre
FB-20 Ch. Sebastien d'Esprit, CD
FB-21 Ugolin des Joyeus Lutins de la Seauve
FB-22 Uhlan de Grand Coeur
FB-26 Viola D'el Pastre
FB-28 Carew
FB-29 Ch. Pa'Chick's Unchained Melody
FB-30 Ula Hoop de la Petite Suisse du Nord
FB-31 Ch. Chateauabriard Very Rare
FB-32 Ch. Chateauabriard Vermouth, CD
FB-33 Ch. Chateauabriard Vinaigrette, CD
FB-34 Chateauabriard Virtuoso
FB-35 Ch. Soleil d'Or de Marha
FB-36 V.S.O.P. Bouffon de Brie
FB-37 Sirhan Dilettante
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Calumet's Joharah J. (right) took Winners Bitch for a 3 point major at the Lima K.C. show on Nov. 16, under Mrs. Peter Guntermann. Joharah is owned by Denise Frazier & Fran Volkman and is handled here by Denise.

THE FOLLOWING LETTER FROM THE NATIONAL FOUNDATION FOR THE INVESTIGATION OF GASTRIC TORSION/BLOAT was received by the Club.

"Many of us have become increasingly concerned in recent years about 'bloat' and the effect it is having on our dogs.

"My friends and I have been greatly worried and have decided to do something about it. We asked the Morris Animal Foundation in Denver to create a fund to which dog owners and clubs can contribute with the funds used to investigate bloat and gastric torsion and hopefully find ways to prevent and cure it. The Foundation has agreed to do so.

"Morris Animal Foundation does not conduct research. It funds research. The Foundation is unique because of the structure of its scientific Advisory Board and its operation. Once a year, renowned veterinarians - specialists in their fields with many holding both a D.V.M. and a Ph.D. degree - meet and evaluate proposals that come from virtually every veterinary college in the country. Each research proposal is graded by the veterinarians. Proposals may receive low scores and be rejected because the methods of research were not thoroughly planned, the budget was too high, or the work was a duplication of work previously done.

"When a research Fellow applies for funding, it is understood that his studies will be monitored and that someone with the project will be required to give periodic progress reports, some in lay language. The persons working on the projects are invited, at Foundation expense, to meet yearly with the Advisory Board to review and evaluate performance and results.

"Written results are released to professional journals and lay magazines. Reports for lay magazines are written in non-scientific language. An effort is made to explain the significance of the study to the dog owner. No expenses are charged by the Foundation for administrative purposes, and your donation to the bloat fund is tax deductible. (Editor's Italic)"

"Funds contributed to Morris Animal Foundation marked 'bloat' go into the special fund and are administered 100% into efforts against bloat. A bloat panel of experts to meet and draft long-range guidelines for scientific approaches to attacking the problem is planned. Efforts should also include the finding of scientific investigations, in which the foundation is well experienced."

"I hope you will call this matter to the attention of your club and that the club and individual members will contribute to the bloat fund. Only by working together can we make headway against this horrible, frustrating and mysterious disease called bloat.

"If you decide to join us in this effort, send contributions to: Bloat Fund, Morris Animal Foundation, 531 Guaranty Bank Building, Denver, Colorado 80202."

Mrs. Marna Pearson
2347 West 246th Place
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"Scrapbook" Best of Breed Briard at the Morris & Essex show in 1937 was Nick du Fief Royal, owned by Mrs. George W. Jacobs, Jr. His height was 26 inches and he weighed 85 pounds.

FEBRUARY 1975
NEW CANADIAN CHAMPION

CAN. CHAMPION IBERVILLE DE SAVOIR VIVRE (dog)

Owner: Carol Gregoire
Breeder: Lawrence LoPatin

Can. Championship: October 12, 1974
Whelped: November 20, 1974

Sire: Ch. Uhey Chien de Grand Coeur
(Dam: Ch. Ugie Belle Noir de Strathcona)
(Ch. Ralph des Elfes de Malouse, C.D. X Ch. Phoebe Chez Phyeau)

Judge: Mr. Glen R. Stephens
Handled by owner

NEW BRIARD CHAMPION

CAN. & AM. CH. UTHER BIJOU DE STRATHCONA (bitch)

Owner: Mrs. Barbara Charbonneau
Breeder: Jerry & Stephanie Katz

Am. Championship: August 18, 1974
Whelped: June 30, 1971

Sire: Ch. Tres Bien Chez Rogues de Brie
(Dam: G'Veret Kahlbah de Strathcona, C.D.X.)
(Ch. La Roux Chez Chien Velu X La Melissa Chez Chien Velu)

Judge: Edward Bracy
Handled by Jan Charbonneau
CHAMPION PHYDEAUX INCOGNITO (dog)

Owner: William P. Kent
Breeder: Mary Lou Tingley

Championship: October 19, 1974
Whelped: April 7, 1973

Sire: Ch. Phydeaux Quoin de Cuivre (Ch. Ike de Vasouy x Ch. Nanie de la Haute Tour)
Dam: Ch. Phydeaux Usheba des Bergers (Ch. Sire de la Briardier X Ch. O'Tresor de Vasouy)

Photo by owner
Handled by owner

AM. & CAN. CH. PA'CHICK'S IMPRESARIO (dog)

Owner: Susan C. McCormick
Breeder: Charles & Patricia Long

Am. Championship: November 16, 1974
Whelped: October 21, 1973

Sire: Ch. Proud Rebel de Marha (Ch. Nestor de Vasouy X Marha Magie de la Brie)
Dam: Am. & Can. Ch. Pa'Chick's Unchained Melody (Ch. Ralph des Elfes de Malouse, C.D. X Ch. Pa'Chick's Rebecca)

Judge: Mrs. Peter Guntermann
Handled by owner

NEW BRIARD CHAMPION
NEW COMPANION DOG

URANIA BERGER DU NORD, C.D. (bitch)

Owners: David & Lynn Behrens Breeder: Phil & Jan Zingsheim

Obedience degree: November 1974

Sire: Ch. Syre du Val de Reuil Dam: Am. & Can. Ch. Rochelle de Marha

(CH.B. Ogham des Elfes de Malouse X Mady de la Chevrerie)

Dam: Am. & Can. Ch. Rochelle de Marha

(CH. Nestor de Vasouy X Marha Magie de la Brie)

Handled by owner

SHORF, SHORT STORIES......

DUBIOUS HONOR - A black Briard had a walk on part in the Walt Disney T.V. production of "Stub, Best Cow Dog in the West" (Dec. 8, NBC). Fortunately there was only a glimpse of the Briard and his crochet since he played the part of a Basque shepherd's old dog "who had given out"! Stub, a cattle herding, Australian sheep dog had to rescue the Briard's sheep from a mountain ledge for the shepherd. Good P.R. for the Australian - and for the fact that cattlemen and sheep men do not always fight. Incidentally, does anyone know if the Basque shepherd was authentic?

INSTANT DEFLATION - A Briard puppy placed third in the Working Group at a puppy match. Her owner-handler was delighted with the win - at least, until the judge whispered to him, as he handed out the ribbons, "This Giant Schnauzer is groomed completely wrong, and you should see your veterinarian about removing those dewclaws!"

PRECOCIOUS PUP - Steve and Jayne Feller's two month old puppy from the Vetrone's recent litter really promises to be a charmer. If you wave at him, he purposefully raises his paw and waves back! Usually he uses the right paw, but occasionally he will wave with the left.

GOOD THINGS ARE FOR SHARING - If you have any short, short stories about your Briard, anecdotes or items of general interest, send them to your regional editor or Diane McLeroth.


IF YOU HAVE A DOG ELIGIBLE FOR THIS AWARD, WRITE TO THE SECRETARY FOR AN APPLICATION. THE NAMES OF THE DOGS WILL BE PRINTED IN THE AUGUST ISSUE OF THE DEW CLAW.

INTERESTED IN TRACKING?

Go Find - Teaching Your Dog to Track is a book by L. Wilson Davis which will help you to train your dog. It is available from Howell Book House, Inc. 845 Third Ave., New York, NY 10022 for $7.95.
BRIARD CLUB OF AMERICA
1975 SPECIALTY

SUNDAY, AUGUST 17, 1975

PONTIAC KENNEL CLUB
PONTIAC, MICHIGAN
JUDGE: ROY AYERS - BREED AND WORKING GROUP
PUPPY SWEETSTAKES JUDGE: BARBARA BOOMER

SATURDAY, AUGUST 16, 1975

SUPPORTED ENTRY, GENESEE VALLEY KENNEL CLUB, FLINT, MICH.
JUDGE: MRS. ELEANOR EVERS - BREED AND WORKING GROUP

PLAN NOW TO JOIN US! WE HOPE TO HAVE A LARGE ENTRY,
THERE WILL BE VERY SPECIAL BRIARD TROPHIES, GREAT
FOOD AND MANY INTERESTING ACTIVITIES.

If you have not returned your Specialty Questionnaire
with your suggestions for the weekend, please do so
today. (See page 36 of the October Dew Claw.)

TROPHIES TROPHIES TROPHIES

YOU CAN HELP MAKE THIS A GREAT SPECIALTY

BY SENDING YOUR TROPHY DONATIONS TO:

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STUD DOG COLUMN

BERRY BROW’S IGOR, tawny, 8/27/70. Sire: Athos d’Agincourt.
Dam: Marie of Ballinaboy. Owner: Angelo Solino, Revonah
Hill Road, Parksville, NY 12768. (12/75)

CH. CHATEAUBRIARD VERMOUTH, tawny, 1/12/72. Sire: Ch.
Pythias Chez Phydeaux. Dam: Ch. Phydeaux Theda Bara.
OFA #32 (certified 8/7/74). Owner: Susan Alexander, Rt. 6,
Box 373 C, Hartwood, VA 22471. Tel: (703) 752-2360. (10/75)

CH. PHYDEAUX QUOIN DE CUIVRE, tawny, 8/17/67. Sire: Ch.
Ike de Vasouy. Dam: Ch. Nanie de la Haute Tour.
Owner: Mary Lou Tingley, Yardley Rd., Mendham, NJ 07945.
(10/75)

CH. TOUSSAINT DE CHARLEMAGNE, black, 11/2/70. Sire: Ch.
Boris d’Agincourt, C.D. Dam: Ch. Recherche de Charlemagne.
Owners: Nancy and Bill Genari, Briards de Normandy, 1150
Princeton Dr., Monroeville, PA 15146. Tel: (412) 373-3538.
(2/75)

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for four lines of information. Send listings to the Secretary
and make checks payable to Briard Club of America.

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