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BRIARDS FOR TENNIS? The photo above was included in a feature of Tennis magazine (7/75) which explained that bringing your dog or your child were 2 of "12 Ways to Disgrace Yourself at a Private Court." Mel DiGiacomo and Briards sat for this portrait to help make the point.

AUTUG 1975
SECRETARY'S REPORT

WE WELCOME THE FOLLOWING NEW MEMBERS:

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CORRECTION:

Linda Wells Loehr (not Loehe)

NAME CHANGE:

Jennie Meggitt to Jennie Ojeda - 311 N. Holliston, Pasadena, CA

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP:

The following have applied for membership in the BCA. Letters regarding their qualifications should be sent to the Secretary.

Vernon & Mary Louise Beitel - 1302 Kensington, Grosse Pointe Park, Michigan 48230
Jacques & Faith Berthault - 102 Bedford Rd., Baie Diurfe, Quebec, H9K 2Z9, Canada
Bonnie K. Best - 1274 Van Dyke Rd., Beaverton, MI 48612
Nancy Fearn - 240 Olive St., St. James 12, Winnipeg, Manitoba, R3J 2X4 Canada
James & Connie Koedinger - 2563 S. Howell Ave., Milwaukee, WI 53207
Lynn Peterson - 1113 E. Minnehaha, St. Paul, MN 55106
James & Karen Rangus - 30314 Palomino Dr., Warren, MI 48093
William Rittmaster - 125½ Cradle Rock Rd. , Pound Ridge, NY
Walter & Donna Watts - 1497 Pine Meadow Rd., Lexington, KY 40504

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BOARD ACTION:

A motion to donate $500 to the Morris Animal Foundation Bloat Fund was approved. Harold Marley disapproved stating that he would approve a lesser amount. Mary Lou Tingley, Patti Curnow, Jayne Dubin and Diane McLeroth approved. Mercer Field voted needs discussion. Phil McNelis did not vote.

A motion to designate $250 for use by the BCA Rescue Service was not approved. Mary Lou Tingley, Chairman of the committee stated that she did not believe any money needed to be designated at this time. Harold Marley, Mary Lou Tingley and Diane McLeroth disapproved the motion. Mercer Field and Patti Curnow approved. Phil McNelis did not vote.

A motion to appoint an Awards Chairman and an Education Committee is still under discussion.

Costs of printing and mailing the Medical Committee questionnaire were approved. Jayne Dubin, Harold Marley, Mercer Field, Patti Curnow and Mary Lou Tingley approved. Phil McNelis voted needs discussion.

In response to the number of club members expressing concern or dissatisfaction with the Briard column in the AKC Gazette, a motion was passed to temporarily suspend the column pending further discussion. Phil McNelis disapproved; Mary Lou Tingley voted needs discussion; the remaining Board members approved.

A motion to mail resumes of all candidates in the 1975 election to the membership was unanimously approved.

Since Junior Membership is a non-voting membership the Board voted unanimously to waive the waiting period for Juniors.

MORRIS ANIMAL FOUNDATION:

The following letter was received from Claude Ramsey, Executive Director of the Morris Animal Foundation.

"Dear Mrs. McLeroth:

"It was very generous of you to forward the $500 check from the Briard Club of America. The Trustees ask that I express to you their appreciation and that you express this appreciation to the members of your club. The money has gone into the Bloat Fund and will be utilized in work on this problem. Again, thank you very much for the generosity of your club.

Sincerely,

signed: Claude Ramsey"

PHOTO CONTEST:

Don't miss the fun! Submit your Briard photographs for the BCA calendar now. For contest rules, see page 23 of the June DEW CLAW.

DEADLINE - SEPTEMBER 15, 1975!

Submit photos to: Harold A. Marley
3940 W. 96th Street
Indianapolis, IN 46268

AUGUST 1975
## TREASURER’S REPORT

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Respectfully submitted by Patti Curnow

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## REPORT OF THE AKC DELEGATE

The regular meeting of the Delegates to the AKC was held on Tuesday, June 10, 1975. The meeting was relatively short. The following items were covered:

1. The President, John Lafore, reported that the Chairman of the Board, Alexander Feldman, was recovering very satisfactorily after collapsing while speaking at the Fort Worth "A Day with AKC".

2. Mr. Lafore reported that the Board of Directors is studying possible requirements that may be issued regarding emergency first aid equipment and/or personnel at shows. The August issue of the Gazette will have an article jointly prepared by The American Heart Association and the AKC.

3. Mr. William Stifel, Executive Secretary, reported on a proposal to amend the Pointing Breed Field Trial Rules to authorize a National Championship Stakes and a National Amateur Championship Stakes for Weimaraners. These new stakes would be similar to the present stakes for German Shorthaired Pointers, Brittany Spaniels, Retrievers, and English Springer Spaniels. A vote will be taken at the September meeting.

4. In answering a question Mr. Lafore reported that the proposal to award points to Reserve Winners at large entry shows is still under review. No further progress was reported.

5. In reply to a question regarding a rumored change in Junior Showmanship win requirements for Westminster a representative of the Westminster Kennel Club stated no change from the present requirement of 8 wins is contemplated.

Arthur M. Tingley

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### TWO 3 POINT MAJORS - The weekend of May 17 & 18 was a big one for Bob and Sharon Boelter’s VICKI CHIEN DE GRAND COEUR. She took WB and BOS for 3 pts. at Oshkosh K.C. under j. Anthony Hodges and repeated the win under J. Isodore Schoenberg at Winnebago Dog Club. She is owner handled by Sharon.

### CALUMET’S JAMECA J. owned by Fran Volkman and Connie Koedinger took a 3 point major with W.B., B.W. and B.O.S. at Sheboygan K.C. in April. The judge is Mrs. John Marshall Jones and Jameca is handled by Connie.
Flea and tick collars with medallions contain systemic insecticides which kill pests for several months. The poisonous material is released through vapor action or as crystalline powder particles which adhere to the pet's coat. These methods of tick control generally are not recommended for use when the dog is wet and certainly not for use in conjunction with other pesticides. Although collars and medallions are effective in killing parasites, they are also blamed for cases of dermatitis, hepatitis, and death when under anesthesia. Since the insecticide is absorbed by the animal's system, some feel there has been inadequate research into the side effects of this treatment. A dip is a safer method of dealing with ticks and fleas; sprays are also available. Ticks are not harmed by most nonspecific insecticides.

The best idea is to check your pet daily for parasites and remove them yourself. Look in ears, around eyes, between toes and under the tail. The oval brown insects survive on blood and will feed where it is readily found, where vessels run close to the surface.

A tick feeding on its host can be carefully plucked off, crushed and flushed away or burned. Be careful not to crush the parasite on the dog or pull skin away with the tick. Tweezers are helpful but not necessary; the tick won't hurt you as you gently and firmly pull it away. Ticks retract their heads if touched with a drop of oil or alcohol or similar asphyxiates. Never use kerosine or a like substance carelessly when removing ticks. You can easily damage eyes or open sores this way. Do not use a lighted match to make the sucking insect retract!

Contrary to popular belief, leaving a tick's head imbeded is not likely to damage your dog, the head, severed from other vital organs, dies and is sloughed off.

Ticks are not merely a nuisance. The Brown dog tick, which first appeared in the US about 1912 in Texas, prefers urban environments and confines its hosts to dogs alone. This tick has been known to transmit Babesia canis, the cause of an infectious anemia and mild or fatal malignant jaundice. Ticks are also thought to be the vector for a microorganism which killed roughly 200 US war dogs in Vietnam during 1969 and 1970 with tracker disease (also known as canine hemorrhagic fever among numerous identifications). The Western wood tick transmits Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever, Tularaemia (which kills rabbits and squirrels), Colorado Tick Fever and Tick Paralysis. All ticks can cause dogs to scratch and with extreme infestation produce listlessness due to lack of blood.

The best way to eliminate ticks is to understand their life cycles. American dog ticks and Western wood ticks have white markings on their backs and pass through four stages; egg, larva (seed tick), nymph and adult. The Brown dog tick has no white spots but a similar life cycle, larva bearing six legs, nymphs and adults with eight. Of the roughly 390 species of tick, about 40 are found in America, most requiring three separate hosts to complete the life cycle. Humans can be one of these hosts but need not be.

Ticks mate as they feed. An engorged female, resembling a tiny grayish balloon, can be easily spotted on your dog. It is common to find a flatter, redder male tick feeding with the female, and both must be removed. When filled with blood, the female drops off the dog within three to seven days, lays up to 2600 eggs in a crevice or moldling or under a rug and dies about two weeks after egg laying. Male ticks also die within several weeks of mating. After 30 to 60 days, tick eggs hatch into larvae which return to the host for about a week. The seed ticks then drop off and molt to nymph stage, feeding on a host for a week or more before molting to the adult tick within three months.

The more a tick feeds, the shorter its life span. Consequently, ticks have been known to survive without hosts for 6 months, even several years. They thrive in moisture but die in a dry environment and suffocate in contact with oils. If you spot seed ticks or nymphs, you can expect adults eventually. If you've had ticks before you might notice them again months later when they drop onto a newly discovered host.

Obviously, the ticks must be destroyed when found. If the house or kennel is infested, you will see ticks crawling down walls after hatching in upper moldings or will find seed ticks on chair legs, in floor cracks, under cushions, in tile cracks, on baseboards against which animals sleep. An exterminator will probably recommend a series of treatments at ten-day intervals at least four times to kill ticks in all stages. You can help by keeping an eye on cracks and sensitively examining your Briards. Although ticks rarely transmit disease to humans, it is a good idea to wash after dealing with this pest.

Ticks have an amazing attraction to dogs. They will wait along paths used by pets or may drop from shrubbery or beams onto the backs of resting animals. They jump instantly when a host approaches. If your dog scratches, check the spot immediately. Medication is available for dogs allergically sensitive to tick bites. A veterinarian might also prescribe tablets which ensure that ticks will die upon biting your dog, but this systemic treatment is usually avoided unless a dog suffers greatly from the parasites. The vet might also recommend that your lawn and bushes be sprayed with a tick preventive in cases of repeated infestation.

Ticks will survive the winter in heated homes and are found worldwide except in frigid zones. It is not known to what extent body heat attracts ticks nor the extent of their vision or sensitivity to odor. They spread disease by biting, by excreting fluid from leg joints and through their excrement. You can't afford to ignore these prevalent pests. Check your Briards daily.

---Mercer Field
Chairman, BCA Medical Committee
6 Rebel Road
Westport, CT 06880 (203/226-5379)

---Carole Cruz---Stan Guy---Mimi Long---Dallas Meggitt---

ELECTION RESULTS

PRESIDENT - Mary Lou Tingley  VICE-PRESIDENT - Jayne Dubin
SECRETARY - Diane McLeroth  TREASURER - Patti Curnow

DIRECTORS
Harold Marley - Philip McNelis - Dorothy Vetrone

A complete tabulation of the voting will appear in the October DEW CLAW.

AUGUST 1975
NEWS AND VIEWS FROM THE MID-WEST

Congratulations are in order for the following new champions and their proud owners:

Pa'Chick's Justin, owned by Ed & Dottie Alderton, on his 1st time out took a 3 point major owner handled. Shortly after he was shipped to the U.S. and Canada. Out of a total of 8 U.S. shows and 4 Canadian shows, he was Winners Dog or better to finish both titles at the age of 16 months. Tanis finished with 3 majors in the U.S. and two 4 point wins in Canada. Since finishing, Dottie has specialized him once and he picked up the breed.

Ch. Calumet's Jezra J., owned and handled by Fran Volkman, finished her Canadian championship in three straight shows. She was W.B., B.W. and B.O.B. at the Briard Booster Show in Canada for 4 points. The following day Jezra again went B.W. for another 4 points to finish.

Calumet's Joharah J., owned by Denise Frazier & Fran Volkman and handled by Denise, finished her American championship with 4 majors at the Oakland County Kennel Club on May 18th.

Strathcona's Blac Magic Woman, C.D. returned to the show ring at Grand Rapids Kennel Club on May 24th to pickup her final points to finish her American championship. Magic is owned by Linda Wells Heller.

Group Placements

Ch. Stonehill's I'm Henri, owned by Bob & Gerry Adolphus continues his winning ways with three more group placements. On May 11th, being the only Briard in competition under Mr. H. Schuffman at the Tri City Kennel Club, he was B.O.B. and went on for a Group 2 under Mr. Robert Ward. Then on May 27th at the Illinois Valley Kennel Club of Peoria, Henri was B.O.B. under Mr. Joseph Gregory with an entry of 2-0-1 going on to a Group 4 also under Mr. Gregory. May 26th at the Corn Belt Kennel Club Henri was B.O.B. with an entry of 2-0-1 under Larry Downey and then took a Group 3 under James Culp.

Utility Dog

Ch. Teddy du Lac de Bethmale, C.D.X., owned by Richard & Mimi Long, is now the 3rd Briard to win that coveted U.D. degree. Teddy earned his 3rd leg at the Land O'Lakes Kennel Club show on June 8th. Watch the "Other Ring" for further details. It's really great to see our Briards working past the C.D. stage of training. Congratulations on your degree and all the work we know is behind it.

On Sunday, June 29th at the St. Clair Kennel Club fun match, Pa'Chick's Jeremiah (Algie to his friends) owned by Karen and Jim Rangus, went Best of Breed under judge Jack Schroff. To finish off a good day, Algie then went into the adult Working Group also under Mr. Schroff, and took a Group 1!! No need to say, Karen and Jim are on cloud 9 and planning their next conquest in the great world of conformation.

SHOW REPORTS

5/17/75 - Ingham County Kennel Club - j Mr. Glen Sommers - entry 2-3-3 -- B.O.B. Ch. Pa'Chick's Impresario, B.O.S. Ch. Pa'Chick's Indian Summer, W.D.,B.W. 2 pts. Pa'Chick's Justin, W.B. 2 pts. Viva Maude Chez Rouges de Erié (Judith Zlozios).


5/24/75 - Ill. Capitol Kennel Club - j Dr. Malcolm Phelps - entry 3-0-1 -- B.O.B. Ch. Stonehill's I'M Henri (Bob & Gerry Adolphus), W.D. 2 pts. Soutien From Shiel (Frances Paule).


5/25/75 - Ill. Valley Kennel Club of Pecoria - j Mr. Joseph Gregory - entry 2-0-1 -- B.O.B., Grp. 4 Ch. Stonehill's I'M Henri, W.B., 1 pt. Jabot Le Bonheur D'hte Coutoure (Frances Taylor).

5/26/75 - Corn Belt Kennel Club - j Mr. Larry Downey - entry 2-0-1 B.O.B. Ch. Stonehill's I'M Henri (Grp. 3 - James Culp), W.D. 1 pt. Jabot Le Bonheur D'hte Coutoure.


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many an adolescent Briard. Put him on a grooming table at an early age and have his bite checked, as this procedure in the show ring puts off the puppy out and provides him with as many positive experiences as possible. Take him in shopping centers (you may wish you'd hung a sign on him announcing his breed to head off the many questioners). When visitors come to your home, have the puppy greet them. Accustom the pup to the presence of cheerful voices and the gentle, loving handling of the puppies by the breeder's family will produce a litter which hangs over the edge of the whelping box, each individual begging to be loved. Ear cropping should be completed by approximately 5 to 6 weeks of age, so that the pups will retain minimal memory of the experience.

If the puppy must be shipped to his new home, all necessary precautions should be taken to protect him from a damaging experience. Pups should be shipped only on non-stop flights; the breeder will put the puppy on the flight, waiting until the plane leaves the ground, and the new owner must be at the destination well before arrival. The pup will withstand the shipping experience best at 8 to 10 weeks of age, and need not be tranquilized.

Your part as the owner of a Briard puppy in the development of his character begins when you bring him home. Always handle the puppy in a friendly, gentle manner, using your voice to praise and encourage him. He is apt to be a dynamic bundle of energy at 8 weeks, with a non-stop character which you want to encourage in your pup is that of the perfect shepherd dog -- wise, courageous, intelligent, tractable, loyal. The French call it "sage-hardi", and it is this wise-fearless nature which the sheep herders of France prize today as much as they did in the 11th century. The AKC Standard of the Briard defines Briard character this way: The Briard "is a dog of heart, with spirit and initiative, wise and fearless with no trace of timidity. Intelligent, easily trained, faithful, gentle and obedient, the Briard possesses an excellent memory and an ardent desire to please his master. He retains a high degree of his ancestral instinct to guard home and master. Although he is reserved with strangers, he is loving and loyal to those he knows...."

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CH. PA'CHICK'S JETHRO
CH. PA'CHICK'S JEZEBEL (3 pts. in Canada)
AM. & CAN. CH. PA'CHICK'S JUSTIN
CH. CALUMET'S JOHARAH J.
CAN. CH. PA'CHICK'S JESSICA

UHLAN DE GRAND COEUR 10 points, 2 majors
CALUMET'S JABETTE J. 8 points, 1 major
CALUMET'S JAMECA J. 4 points, 1 major

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A.D.O.A. REPORT

The environment in which we, as dog fanciers, must exist has changed dramatically during the past decade. In some areas the change has been beneficial, but the development of puppy mills, mass merchandising of purebred puppies by retail stores, the dog over-population problem and restrictive laws and ordinances are clearly detrimental.

Generally, the dog fancy has been effective in resisting adverse legislation and progress is being made in combating puppy mills and other aspects of the exploitation of purebred dogs. However, we fanciers have been slow to initiate public and political relations, as well as communicating with our own communities.

The booming fad for household pets, especially purebred dogs, has sprung up in the past 15 years. The quality of the dogs is endangered by the emphasis on quantity. DON'T LET THIS HAPPEN TO BRIARDS! Think twice before you breed and only breed if you have qualified buyers.

DID YOU KNOW THAT----
---The annual meeting of the American Dog Owners Association was held in Atlanta on July 12?
---Memorial donations are accepted by A.D.O.A. for people and pets?
---Dog racing in California was defeated in committee?
---Maryland passed legislation establishing a minimum age for importing, exporting or selling puppies?
---A.D.O.A. provides consultation and direct participation, plus considerable funding, in Federal and State legislation?
---Changes of a very substantial nature in the air transportation of animals is going to occur? These changes will stop some of the abuse of animals being shipped, and will serve to curtail the puppy mills. Airport surveillance is proving worthwhile in puppy mill investigation because it monitors shipments by licensed dealers who supply the retail pet market.
---You can become a member of the A.D.O.A. for only $6 per year and thereby contribute to this very worthwhile cause? Write to me for membership applications.

Virginia Englehart

BULLETIN BOARD

The Dew Claw is your magazine - let us hear from you.
Any comments which you feel will benefit the Briard or the Club - helpful hints - articles of general interest - your thoughts or suggestions are welcome.

Dear Diane,
I am writing to suggest that the Briard Club purchase an ad in Front and Finish, the obedience newspaper, to honor Angel, Teddy and their trainers. These two U.D.s are really quite an achievement in Briard history and I think the Club should be pleased to offer congratulations in front of other dog fanciers, who would be interested.

If this suggestion must be written up in any special form to go before the Board of Directors, please let me know; otherwise, I simply leave it on your busy desk.

Regards,
Sue Erickson

Dear Diane,
Perhaps the following article from Dogs in Canada (Sept. '73) will be of interest to Briarders.

"Are Dresses Proper at Dog Shows?

"No, says T. Lorene Edgar in writing for Off-Lead. Her thought is that for women, dresses are not the only acceptable garment and after taking surveys at several clubs, group meetings and shows, found her premise totally acceptable by exhibitors.

"A dog show is a sporting event, and should be attended by women of all ages attired in sport clothes, and anything else should be considered very bad taste indeed!

"The type of clothing suitable for one individual might be all wrong for another. One's figure, weight and freedom of movement should be taken into consideration of course. Pant-suits, slacks or a pant/skirt outfit are particularly important in the conformation ring, even more so than the obedience ring, as more stooping and the arranging of the stance of the dog is required.

"Sports outfits, as well, are more adjustable - with shirts, blouses, vests, sweaters, jackets to be added or deleted as the temperature varies. Same for men, although the writer does feel that except for high temperatures, coats or jackets should be worn in the ring.

"Why not skirts? Dogs will stay closer to the knee while being shown if a hemline is not flapping around its head. Even wide slack hems can flap in a little dog's face and disturb his vision and gait.

"Do what is practical and not what is mistakenly thought to be 'good taste': viewers are there to see the dog and not the handlers", concludes writer Edgar.

Jan McNelis sent the following WARNING TO ALL BREEDERS from her kennel club's newsletter.

"Some commercial pet shops, finding it the better part of valor to change their 'life-style', are now trying to buy puppies from local breeders via rather unscrupulous routines: working through a 'middle man or woman', who makes a purchase, which appears to be a bona fide buyer -- but the puppy is then turned over to a pet shop and the pet shop re-sells the puppy. While the puppy is being kicked around from here to there, the disreputable people each make a profit on the product of the breeder's hard work and quality stock! Make sure of your buyers!"

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CH. CALUMET'S JEZRA J. owned by Fran Volkman took Best of Opposite Sex at Oakland County K.C.. The judge is Dr. Malcolm Phelps & the handler is Hank Riske.
JUNE 21 -- A PICNIC FOR MEDICAL RESEARCH

The evening of June 20, a cold front finally broke the heat and humidity which had oppressed Connecticut for days. By Saturday morning, clear skies and a light breeze welcomed June and Bill Shew as they readied their East Hartland farm for an onslaught of Briards and picnicking owners. Coals were carried downhill from the restored 1750 farm house to a cement fireplace among fruit trees skirting the pond. Chairs, cold drinks and ice followed as guests arrived, lunches, dog and children in tow.

Ostensibly, the group was meeting to support the work of the B.C.A. Medical Committee. Actually, Briards romped through the pond, shaking on frog-hunting youngsters and barking with fury at the sight of the Shews' wandering St. Bernards. An Airedale puppy, whom June calls "Hellsapoppin'", stole the show and exhausted at least two 3-month old Briards. Mary Lou Tingley found time to thin the coat preventing "Paco" from watching the shenanigans, then didn't hesitate to use the shears on owner-photographer, Mel DiGiacomo, captured on the grooming table in a marvelous portrait by Fred Eccleston. The Ecclestons' "Joli" also got a facial sprucing, all the better for herding her three young charges out of the weeds and woods.

Amidst these high jinks, adults were fortunate to be addressed by the honored guest Richard Steiner, currently a trustee of the Morris Animal Foundation and President of the Yankee Dachshund Club. Dick is also a past member of the AKC Board of Directors and Canine Health Committee, well qualified to outline research programs funded by the Morris Animal Foundation.

Before Mr. Steiner's presentation, Medical Committee Chairman, Mercer Field presented the Morris trustee with a five-hundred-dollar check on behalf of the membership of the Briard Club of America. In so doing, she read a letter to the Morris Animal Foundation, written by the BCA Secretary explaining that the BCA donation is given in the name of Grace Norgaard and Dorna Person to further research into the causes and treatment of canine bloat.

Mr. Steiner thanked Briard owners and the Club's Board of Directors for generously supporting bloat research through the Morris program and reported that the foundation had held a panel discussion on bloat at its June 7 annual meeting this year. Members of the panel were:

Chairman, Dean C. Cornelius, DVM, PhD, Univ. of Florida
Priscilla K. Stockner, D.V.M., consultant to the AKC, Puyallup, Washington -- "Problems as Seen by the Breeder"
Mike D. Levitt, MD, Univ. of Minnesota -- "Experiences in Man"
Earle E. Bartley, PhD, Kansas State Univ. -- "Experiences with Ruminants"
William D. DeHoff, DVM, Animal Medical Center, New York -- "Clinical Observations"
Jordan R. Dann, DVM, Ridgefield Veterinary Hospital, Ridgefield, Connecticut -- "Clinical Observations"
Herbert J. Van Kruijningen, DVM, PhD, Univ. of Connecticut -- "Pathological Considerations"
Wayne Wingfield, MS,DVM, Univ. of Georgia -- "Pathophysiology"

Among the panel's recommendations was that a special working committee be appointed to implement activities and evaluate developments in the study of the disease. Such a committee would work with the University
of Georgia to establish guidelines for bloat treatment and provide necessary related equipment. It would also study the relationship of diet and consequent bacterial formation to bloatling and the physiology of gas production and elimination. Also recommended is examination of the anatomy of large dogs relative to average sized dogs and a continuing look at surgical and medical approaches to bloat. It was suggested that the committee function on a regular basis and be comprised of an epideriologist, physiologist, nutritionist, neurologist, pathologist, veterinary surgeon and veterinary internist as well as a breeders' representative.

Of particular interest to our Medical Committee are remarks made by Dr. Priscilla Stockner at this panel discussion. "Of paramount importance to the dog breeder," Dr. Stockner said, "is the need for three things:

1. An accurate statistic, giving the incidence of acute gastric dilatation, the breeds affected, the families or lines of dogs that seem to have predisposition to the disease;
2. A collection of clinical data and case histories about the disease. These records could be computerized and meaningful information possibly obtained from this centralized data bank.
3. A definition of heritability patterns, if they exist, so breeders could foresee problems and could work to eliminate the disease through careful breeding."

In response to this quotation, Mercer told Dick Steiner of the medical questionnaire her committee intends to circulate to the BCA membership. After seeing the questionnaire, he pronounced it "one of the most important things I've seen happening in the dog world today" and offered to circulate it to other breed clubs, requesting their cooperation with our statistical survey. In response to the query by Mary Lou Tingley, Mr. Steiner also stated that the Morris Animal Foundation would welcome any statistics we can compile on this basis.

Bill and Alice Kent, although unable to attend the picnic, forwarded for discussion a transcript of Dr. H. J. Van Kruiningen's address on bloat to the New Jersey Dog Federation Symposium. Dr. Van Kruiningen's research into the proliferation of gas-production bacteria within canine stomachs indicates a specific relationship to diets heavy in soybean meal or processed carbohydrates. Questions regarding his report were not answered, pending his reply to Mercer Field's letter requesting elaboration on certain points discussed at the symposium.

Ken Collins told of two puppies in a recent litter dying of staphlococcus infection at birth. He said that to his knowledge tests for similar uterine infection are not indicated if the bitch appears healthy as did the dam in this case. Fortunately, all other members of the litter survived in good health.

A Briard which had this spring undergone treatment for heartworm was identified among the playful dogs. Discussion followed concerning the life cycle of heartworms, their potential tremendous damage to heart and lungs. Also dangerous is the arsenic treatment and forced rest required to cure an infested dog. Heartworm can be prevented with a daily dosage of carricide, but an infested dog could be killed if given the preventive medication. It was stressed that no dog should be given the pills without a blood test to first determine the presence of heartworm microfilaria.

Although fewer were present at the picnic than anticipated, many people unable to come contributed donations with their regrets.
With special thanks for all contributions, the Medical Committee has acquired DOG BEHAVIOR by John Paul Scott and John Fuller for its library and is investigating purchase of CURRENT VETERINARY THERAPY, a $30 comprehensive text.

Special mention must be given to Mali and Bud Delaney of Long Island, whose car broke down the day of our picnic. The Delaney's nevertheless rented transportation and arrived with their son and puppy "Dusty" after a number of picnickers had already started for home. Their expense and 4-5 hour drive each way shows a spirit rare today. The Delaneys are new Briarders and not even club members as yet!

As the afternoon cooled, the Shews, Tingey, DiGiacomos, Eccleston and Mercer Field caravanned to a nearby state forest to relax among snowy banks of birch, rhododendron, laurel and dark feathery hemlocks. A gentle close to a day of friendship, education and rededication to improving the health of our Briards.

The Medical Committee members are planning additional fund-raising picnics and educational events. We hope you'll fit them into your busy schedules and will let us know just where and when you'd like to meet other Briarders.

Richard Steiner wrote us a lovely letter of thanks, parts of which I'll quote below:

"For me it was a most pleasant day with an exceptionally wonderful group of friends of man's best friend. Not only did I enjoy the people, but the Briards as well. Thank you, too, for the great lunch....

"I've sent the letter and check on to the Morris Animal Foundation. You or the Secretary will receive a letter of thanks....

"Your selection of location for the picnic could not have been improved upon."

Thank you, Mr. Steiner, and all participants. Thank you Shews, our hosts.

--Mercer Field
Chairman, BCA Medical Committee

MEDICAL QUESTIONNAIRES

Each BCA member, applicant and Dew Claw subscriber has been sent a copy of the medical questionnaire. Please fill it out for your Briard to the best of your ability. We realize that many of you have sketchy records of your dog's health at best. Please give us the information you have; don't worry if you can't be detailed. Not every question will apply to every Briard.

If you can attach a photograph of your dog to the questionnaire, please do. Additional questionnaires are available for anyone with multiple dogs. We hope you'll give us records on your dogs who have died too. The more we can learn, the more we can help you and your Briards with time.

From now on, we hope that many of you will be able to keep up records and add to ours. Thanks!

B.C.A. Medical Committee

YOUR HELP IS NEEDED!

PLEASE FILL IN YOUR MEDICAL QUESTIONNAIRE AND RETURN IT.

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Another "Best in Show" for Northern California's fabulous parties, a cocktail-buffet lunch hosted by Patti Curnow in that beautiful setting --Carmel-by-the-Sea. This alone made the 400 mile drive a fun trip. Adding to the atmosphere was the very talented Mary Kay, Patti's sister. Great voice and style and with a little arm twisting she did play and sing for us.

Attending the festivities for the first time from Southern California were Bob & Shirlee Kessler and the Benners, Bob and Donna, who simply said more or less, "Hey, this is great." A typical reaction, but those who will not venture will never know or believe.

The following day, however bleary eyed (my departure time was 1 a.m. and Cory was on the grooming table at 7 sharp, with Jane to follow) was the Del Monte Show. This Golden Anniversary show on May 25th, was located on the scenic "17 Mile Drive" on Monterey Peninsula.

WellO.K., now it is June 21st and guess what? Party-Time, Southern California style. Change the location to Brentwood in the foothills of the Santa Monica Mountains - at and hosted by the Kesslers -- they just had to reciprocate for that wonderful time in Northern California. A De Luxe affair to say the least and I for one indulged till I bulged and even as I write my mouth waters with the thought of the endless delicacies which overflowed right onto the grounds of the Beverly Hills show the following day. Ever tried a banquet on grooming tables?

While Cory went BOB at Del Monte, his litter-sister, Elke, handled by the incomparable Corky Vroom went B.O.B., this time at Beverly Hills. Finishing his championship at Beverly Hills, June 22nd with Best of Winners was the Dugan's Ch. I, Prince Pippin Chez Ciel. Finishing at Del Monte with a major win on May 25th was Ch. Capucine de Beauxjolis (Elke) owned by the Kesslers and finishing with Best of Winner and Best of Breed was Ch. Cheval de Bataille de Beauxjolis (Cory). Congratulations to all!

Breeders - screen your buyers carefully! Cece Collins put it mildly in the A.K.C. Gazette in reference to this subject. The truth is that Briards may not sell well, but they do sell, which is not true of all breeds. People (I am reluctant to call them breeders) in the "puppy business" are discovering this and are quite anxious to get one of each sex (very astute of them) to make puppies and profit. I find it repugnant to have an adding machine at the whelping box as the mother puts her life on-the-line. Another thought, what type of home, in turn, will these pups get? Any home with the price of a puppy's life?

Don Mandeville

WESTERN SHOW REPORTS


Judge, Mrs. C.S. Smith, Jr. - 18 in competition.

6 dogs - 5 points: Winners Dog, Cheval de Bataille de Beauxjolis
Owner, Don & Nancy Mandeville

Reserve Winners Dog, Tarteciel Jacque, owned by E.J. & C.L. Konrath.

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CHAIN O' LAKES K.C. Grayslake, IL 6/15/75

BRIARDS

Judge: Dr. Richard Greatheath

BRIARDS. Open, dogs.


13 I. Charlemagne Chez Del, WC476821 March 6, 1973. Breeder, Virginia Englehart. By Ch. Prince Valiant De Marha—Queen Elizabeth De Chen Val. Owners, David and Daniel T. Murphy, Route 1, Box 165A, Rockton, IL 61072.

WINNERS DOG... Reserve 12 Points 8 Dogs...

BRIARDS. Puppy, bitches.


11 Ch. Flogan Viscount De Braewild, WC169905 April 19, 1972. Breeder, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Smith, 2825 N Parkside, Chicago, IL 60634. Bitch. 

WINNERS BITCH... Reserve 7 Points 0 Bitches...

BRIARDS. Best of Breed Competition.


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Best Briad... Best of Opposite Sex...

WINNERS BITCH... Reserve 7 Points 0 Bitches...

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WINNERS DOG... Reserve 15 Points 2 Dogs 3

BRIARDS. Open, Bitches.


Points... Dogs...... Bitches......


WINNERS BITCH... Reserve 9 Points 3 Bitches 4

BRIARDS. Best of Opposite Sex.


Best Briad... Best of Winners... Best of Opposite Sex...

WINNERS BITCH... Reserve 9 Points 3 Bitches 4

BRIARDS. Best of Breed Competition.


Best Briad... Best of Winners... Best of Opposite Sex...

WINNERS BITCH... Reserve 9 Points 3 Bitches 4

Best Briad... Best of Winners... Best of Opposite Sex...

WINNERS BITCH... Reserve 9 Points 3 Bitches 4

BRIARDS. Best of Breed Competition.


Best Briad... Best of Winners... Best of Opposite Sex...
CH. PA'CHICK'S IMPRESARIO took Best of Breed at the Progressive Dog Club show in April. He is owner-handled by Susan McCormick and the judge is Mr. Rex Vandeventer.
CANADIAN BRIARD BOOSTER SHOW.

The Briard Fanciers of Ontario held their Booster Show on May 10th in conjunction with the Forest City Kennel Club in London, Ontario. The entry of 14 Briards was the largest ever in Canada and there were 6 dogs, 2 bitches and 6 Specials.

Alice Clark is to be congratulated on the beautiful trophies. To give you an idea of the beautiful gifts received, Best of Breed and Best of Opposite were wine decanters and glasses. Penny Ridley, Jan Charbonneau, Sue McCormick, Ruth Brumwell, Fran Volkman, Janet Weaver, Sharon DeWitte, Sharon Werden, Mike & Cheryl Foote, Alice Clark and I were all there to support the entry, not to mention Vicki Volkman and Kelly Weaver who's little hands were there to help wherever needed.


Mrs. Maynard Drury judged the booster. She gave the nod to Fran's Jezra, who came from the open class for Best of Breed. Jezra was also W.B. and B.W. for 4 points. Sue's Imp was Best of Opposite Sex. Winners Dog for 4 points was awarded to Ed & Dotti Alderton's Tannes (Pa'Chick's Justin) who came to the show with me. Reserve dog went to Calumet's Jarboneau J. (J.J.) owned by Sharon DeWitte. Reserve bitch went to Sue's Jezebel. In Canada they also judge Best Puppy at the breed, group and best in show level. Sharon's 7 month old J.J. was Best Briard Puppy.

Congratulations must be given to all for the marvelous enthusiasm and effort put forth to make the weekend so enjoyable.

The following day the entry dropped to 11 but still was an excellent entry. There were 6 dogs, 2 bitches and 3 Specials. The judge was Mr. John Lundberg. Imp was Best of Breed, my Indy (Am & Can Dh. Pa'Chick's Indian Summer) was, Best of Opposite. Tannes was Winners Dog for another 4 points to finish his Canadian Championship. Jezra was Winners Bitch and Best of Winners for another 4 points and she also finished her championship. Reserve Dog went to Janet Weaver's Jethro and Reserve Bitch was Jezebel. On Sunday, Best Briard Puppy went to T.J. (Tarteciel Jacquot) owned by Mike & Cheryl Foote.

Plans are already being made for another Booster, with Leamington, Ontario as a suggested site.

Alice Clark was show photographer and after judging on Sunday, she rustled us all outside for some group shots. So all could fit, she perched on a metal barrier about 4 feet high and balanced against a supporter's shoulders. She should have some great shots if they're not blurred from shooting on such a perilous place.

Thanks to everyone again for a great weekend and we hope to see all for another Briard Booster next year.

Patricia Long

JAIME WIDGETTE DE LINDEAU took Winners Bitch & Best of Winners for a 3 point major at the Monroe K.C. show on June 21. Widgette belongs to Dr. & Mrs. Wells and Linda Wells Loehr. She is handled by Linda and the judge is Gerhardt Plaga.

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THE MAKINGS OF A UTILITY DOG

As described to Mercer Field by Mimi Long

In June of this year, Ch. Teddy du Lac de Bethmale, owned by Mimi and Richard Long, became the third Briard in history to earn a Utility degree. The charbonné male garnered his last Utility leg at five years old. He was handled all the way by Mimi, while Dick took Teddy through breed competition to a championship earned in August, 1972 -- one year after his first points. Teddy's breed wins included two five-point majors, two three-pointers and an odd point to make the total, with even distribution among judges. In Mimi's words, "Teddy is more naturally a breed dog than an obedience dog -- a born forger and alert to the end. Applause makes him show; add that to his beautiful movement prior to a distribution among judges. In Mimi's words, "Teddy is more naturally a judge -- all judges must be endowed with superhuman patience -- said, decided to enter her "schooled" Briard in an Obedience match. "When the Suisse du Nord out of Regine du Lac de Bethmale. Training began at five months of age, with Mimi working without the benefits of an obedience class. She trained only from sketchy notes Dick had made years earlier when taking a German Shepherd pup through a ten-week course in Fargo, North Dakota. Coincidentally, one weekend while visiting Fargo, Mimi decided to enter her "schooled" Briard in an Obedience match. "When the judge -- all judges must be endowed with superhuman patience -- said, 'Left turn,' I turned right, and in a short time was hopelessly confused and not even on the mats at all!"

A kindly observer of the tragicomedy told the Longs about an obedience class in Winmar, Minnesota, a mere sixty miles from their home. Mimi enrolled Teddy and commuted for a Winter and Spring. By June, 1971 Teddy earned the first leg toward a C.D. at a show in Wayzata, Minnesota. The family moved on to Duluth, joining the Twin Ports Dog Training Club, famed for excellence among Golden Retrievers. "However, everyone says that Teddy is so much fun to watch work -- a laugh a minute, unless you happen to be the trainer of such a dog!" Mimi's reference is apparently to Teddy's eagerness, a reluctance to stand still and curiosity that interrupts a perfect heel.

The Companion Dog title was awarded in October, 1971 and the first leg of Open at the Twin Ports Dog Training Club's Trial, October, 1972, "with an all-time low of 175 (I could never resist entering Teddy before he was ready)." Open work was more fun for both trainer and trainee as Teddy joyously took to retrieving and jumping. His eager crowding continued nevertheless. Mimi remembers that his about turns in the heel work pattern were so quick she could hardly get her feet out of the way fast enough.

The second leg of Open was earned in Virginia, Minnesota, in April, 1973, with a score of 190; the final leg in Mason City, Iowa, with 191. "We had barely begun our Utility work that Fall and early Winter of 1973 when Teddy was hit by a car in front of our house one night. The vet, after the two-hour operation, tried to say optimistic things about Teddy's leg injury, but as the months went by, Teddy continued to walk three-legged and/or with a limp. I did begin again eventually on the parts of Utility work that could be done slowly, without jumping. Later, I learned that many dogs with Teddy's affliction have to be confined to small areas for weeks and never do walk well on the damaged legs. We are indeed fortunate with Teddy!"

AN INTRODUCTION TO DOGS

BY OGDEN NASH

The dog is man's best friend.
He has a tail on one end.
Up front he has teeth.
And four legs underneath.
Dogs lik[e to bark.
They like it best after dark.
They not only frighten prowlers away.
But also hold the sandman at bay.
A dog that is indoors
To be let out implores.
You let him out and what then?
He wants back in again.
Dogs display reluctance and wrath
If you try to give them a bath.
They bury bones in hideaways.
And half the time they trot sideaways.
They cheer up people who are frowning.
And rescue people who are drowning.
And run and run and run.
Dogs in the country have fun.
They run and run and run.
But in the city this species
Is dragged around on leashies.
Dogs are upright as a steeple
Is dragged around on leashies.
But that's probably because they are sensibler.

The Makings of a Utility Dog - continued

His first Utility leg came at the Minneapolis K.C. Show in October, 1974, with a score of 181; the second leg was finished at the Bloomington Dog Training Club Trial in May, 1975, scoring 182; and the final leg was conquered at the Land O'Lakes K.C. Trial this June, with a score of 183.

"I was so thrilled when he came over that last jump, and laughing so hard that I could hardly squeek out my final 'Teddy, heel.' Then, as if to say he wanted to finish with a flair, he was worse than usual on the Utility Stand. He wiggled, stepped one foot forward, then another, sometimes looking as though there was no doubt but what he was going to come to me or sit down; all the while, his tail went faster and faster."

And finish with a flair he did. This lovely, brave Briard has shown that even severe injury will not hinder a true working animal. The Longs and Teddy have come a long way together in the five years since they approached their soon-to-be-good friends, the Zingsheims, at a show and exclaimed, "Are these Briards?" They were, and Teddy is the fine product of that friendship: First a loved pet, second the third American Briard to carry the distinction, Utility Dog.
UTILITY DOG

CHAMPION TEDDY DU LAC DE BETHMALE, U.D. (dog)

Owners: Richard & Mimi Long
Breeder: Albert Cabos

Title Awarded: June 8, 1975
Whelped: May 4, 1970

Sire: Quicke de la Petite Suisse
Dam: Regine du Lac de Bethmale du Nord
(Moustache de la Petite Suisse X Ninon de la Haute Tour)

Handled by owner

NEW BRIARD CHAMPION

CHAMPION PA'CHICK'S JETHRO (dog)

Owner: Patricia Long & Janet
Breeder: Charles & Patricia A. Long Weaver

Championship: April 26, 1975
Whelped: March 3, 1974

Sire: Ch. Ralph des Elfes de Malouse, C.D.
Dam: Am & Can Ch. Reine des Elfes de Malouse
(Odon-Desire des Elfes de Malouse X Maia-Mopti des Elfes de Malouse)

Judge: Mr. Rex Vandeventer
Handler: Janet Weaver

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CHAMPION PA'CHICK'S JEZEBEL (bitch)

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

Championship: April 26, 1975
Whelped: March 3, 1974

Sire: Ch. Ralph des Elfes de Malouse, C.D.
(Odon-Desire des Elfes de Malouse X Maia-Mopti des Elfes de Malouse)

Dam: Am & Can Ch. Reine des Elfes de Malouse
(Odon-Desire des Elfes de Malouse X Maia-Mopti des Elfes de Malouse)

Judge: Mr. Rex Vandeventer
Handled by owner

CHAMPION CHATEAUBRIARD JAMBOREE (dog)

Owner: Bob & Beth Howard
Breeder: Cecily R. Collins

Championship: May 3, 1975
Whelped: January 5, 1974

Sire: Ch. Pythias Chez Phydeau
(Ch. Matador Chez Phydeau X Ch. Nanie de la Haute Tour)

Dam: Ch. Phydeaux Theda Bara
(Ch. Phydeaux Quoin de Cuivre X Ch. Phydeaux Poupee de Marha)

Judge: Melbourne T. Downing
Handler: Tom Glassford
NEW CANADIAN CHAMPION

AM & CAN. CH. CALUMET'S JEZRA J. (bitch)

Owner: Frances S. Volkman  
Breeder: Owner

Canadian Championship: May 11, 1975

Whelped: February 26, 1974

Sire: Ch. Ralph des Elfes de Malouse, C.D.  
Dam: Am & Can Ch. Pa'Chick's Tawny T.  
(Odon-Desire des Elfes de Malouse X Maia-Mopti des Elfes de Malouse)

Judge: Mrs. Maynard K. Drury  
Handled by owner

NEW BRIARD CHAMPION

CHAMPION CALUMET'S JOHARAH J. (bitch)

Owners: Denise Frazier & Fran Volkman  
Breeder: Fran Volkman

Championship: May 18, 1975

Whelped: February 26, 1974

Sire: Ch. Ralph des Elfes de Malouse, C.D.  
Dam: Am. & Can. Ch. Pa'Chick's Tawny T.  
(Odon Desire des Elfes de Malouse X Maia-Mopti des Elfes de Malouse)

Judge: Dr. Malcomb E. Phelps  
Handled by Denise Frazier

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AM. & CAN. CHAMPION PA'CHICK'S JUSTIN (dog)

Owner: Edwin & Dorothy Alderton  Breeder: Charles & Patricia Long
Am. Championship: May 18, 1975
Can. Championship: May 11, 1975
Whelped: March 3, 1974

Sire: Ch. Ralph des Elfes de Malouse, C.D.
(Don-Desire des Elfes de Malouse X Maia-Mopti des Elfes de Malouse)

Dam: Am. & Can. Ch. Reine des Elfes de Malouse
(Ch. La Roux Chez Chien Velu X La Melissa Chez Chien Velu)

Judge: Dr. Malcolm E. Phelps  Handler: Patricia A. Long

CHAMPION STRATHCONA'S BLAC MAGIC WOMAN, C.D. (bitch)

Owner: Linda Wells Loehr  Breeder: Jerry & Stephanie Katz
Championship: May 24, 1975
Whelped: June 30, 1971

Sire: Ch. Tres Bien Chez Rogues de Brie
(Ch. La Roux Chez Chien Velu X La Melissa Chez Chien Velu)

Dam: G'Veret Kahlbah de Strathcona de Brie
(Rouveau de la Gaillarde, C.D. X Bijou de la Patre)

Handled by owner

AUGUST 1975
NEW BRIARD CHAMPION

CHAMPION CHEVAL DE BATAILLE DE BEAUXJOLIS (dog)

Owners: Don & Nancy Mandeville     Breeder: Owners

Championship: May 25, 1975

Whelped: December 18, 1973

Sire: Ch. Phydeaux Quinaud     Dam: Ch. Cicely of Northumberland

(Ch. Ike de Vasouy X (Samson d'Agincourt X Berry Brow's Nina)

Judge: Mr. Tom Stevenson     Handled by Don Mandeville

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, C.D., tawny, 1/12/72. Sire: Ch. Phythias Chez Phydeau. 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. PHYDEAUXQUOIN DE CUIVRE, tawny, 8/17/67. Sire: Ch. Ike de Vasouy. Dam: Ch. Nanie de la Haute Tour. Owner: Mary Lou Tingley, Yardley Road, Mendham, NJ 07945 (10/75)

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LOOKING FOR PUPPIES?

CALIFORNIA
Mrs. Richard Englehart, 5868 Deerhead Rd., Malibu, 90265

MICHIGAN
Charles & Pat Long, 5890 Shea Road, Marine City, 48039

NEW YORK
Jayne Dubin, 14 Culver Drive, New City, 10956

If you have a litter of puppies or are expecting one, please notify the Secretary.

SHORT, SHORT STORIES

FROM OUT OF THE BLUE - June Shew writes, "Believe it or not, the Charles O'Briens' first Briard came to them from out of the sea! While walking on the beach of Block Island Sound (off R.I.) about 13 years ago, the dog swam ashore and immediately attached himself to them. The owner could not be found so they named him 'Olie' and he was their constant companion for the next 11 years. The O'Briens recently purchased my 'Ichabod', renamed him 'Shish-Kebab' and they are a Briard family once again."

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