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PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

I would like to offer my thanks, on behalf of the entire Club, to our past President, Phil McNeils, for an outstanding job over the past three years.

Also our thanks to the outgoing Board member, Mercer Field; and to Stephanie Katz and Ilene Lengyel, who persevered, despite many obstacles, to make this past Specialty weekend a memorable one.

Speaking of the Specialty weekend, wasn’t it nice to see so many of the winners owner handled. Best of Breed each day was owner-bred as well. Congratulations to all.

The Buckeye Briard Club has made the first contribution to the ‘78 Rassemblement fund. They have sent the proceeds from their fun match as a contribution and their President, Steve Feller, writes that he hopes this will encourage others to contribute. Thank you Buckeye Briarders!

Mary Lou Tingley

REPORT OF THE AKC DELEGATE

The regular meeting of the Delegates to the AKC was held on Sept. 9, 1975. Only two items of business were voted upon. First, new delegates were accepted as proposed by the Clubs they represent. Second, proposed Amendments to the Registration and Field Trial Rules were adopted whereby a National Championship Stake and a National Amateur Championship Stake for Weimaraners are authorized. My votes were affirmative in each case.

Major discussion took place following an announcement by President John A. Lafore, Jr. that the Board of Directors of the AKC will no longer approve the use of common show sites on consecutive days as had been allowed from early 1974, except in emergency situations. The rationale provided by the Board was the feeling that the energy crisis is over and separate locations for shows helps retain the distinctive character of each Club. Emergency requests would be considered on an individual basis. This announcement brought extensive counter arguments as follow:

- Many felt that the energy crisis is not over.
- Costs for fuel are high even though fuel is available.
- Consecutive shows provide the opportunity for discussion with people of the same breed or different breeds as had been common in the days of extensive benched shows as exhibitors stay longer.
- By exhibitors tending to remain at show sites there is greater opportunity for spectators to see more dogs.

Mr. Lafore responded that the members of the Board of Directors were present and that the ideas brought out would be reviewed by the Board.

In responding to a question, Mr. Lafore stated that inquiries to the AKC from puppy buyers would continue to be referred to parent breed club secretaries rather than to advertisers in the AKC Gazette.

Dog registrations and litter registrations in 1975 show the continued decline when comparing the first eight months of 1975 to the comparable period of 1974. Individual registrations are down 8.8% at 687,999 and litter registrations are down 6.3% at 265,050.

Arthur M. Tingley
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Respectfully submitted by Patti Curnow

SECRETARY'S REPORT

WE WELCOME THE FOLLOWING NEW MEMBERS:

Junior Members -
David Steiner, 1007 Cedar Dr. N., Manhasset Hills, NY 11040
Amy Yevrone, 810 Harriet Ave. N.W., Canton, OH 44703

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Diana Carter, 33224 Oakland, Farmington, MI 48024
Orra Fusik, 19565 Nicki, Mt. Clemens, MI 48043
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Carolee Lafferty, 2515 Stony Brook Dr., Houston, TX 77042
Alfred & Dinah Meyers, 253 Everett Pl., Englewood, NJ 07631
Matt & Pat Moore, 502 Nottingham, Richardson, TX 75080
Connie Stollings, 8450 Henry Ruff, Westland, MI 48185

APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP:

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


ELECTION VOTE COUNT:

270 ballots were mailed - 207 ballots were cast (1 invalid because it carried no return address).

For President: Mary Lou Tingley, 146; Kenneth Collins 57.
For Vice-President: Jayne Dubin, 128; Dallas Meggitt, 71.
For Director: Harold Marley, 143; Philip McNelis, 91; Dorothy Vetrone, 97; Mercer Field, 73; Jerry Katz, 83; June Shew, 45; Don Thompson, 59.

Anyone wishing to have a copy of the official vote count and notarization, please contact the Secretary.
MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual Meeting of the Briard Club of America, held on August 16, 1975 at the Troy Hilton Inn, Troy, MI, was called to order by President, Philip McNelis at 9:50 p.m. A show of hands indicated that more than the 41 members required for a quorum were present. 64 members and 29 guests signed the attendance sheets. (List available from Secretary)

Retiring President, Phil McNelis expressed his appreciation for all the assistance he had been given over the past three years. He asked everyone to extend the same cooperation to Mary Lou Tingley.

The minutes of the '74 meeting were not read since they were printed in the meeting program. Secretary, Diane McLeroth reported that the BCA membership, as of 8/10/75, was 276 voting members, 1 junior member and 98 applicants, projecting the number to 376 during the '75 meeting. She stated that the Club is receiving very few puppy inquiries, perhaps 5 per month. She cautioned that anyone planning to breed their Briard should have at least half the litter sold before breeding, or be prepared to keep the puppies.

Patti Curnow announced that the annual Treasurer's report was printed in the program. She asked to be contacted if anyone would prefer a more detailed report.

Arthur Tingley, B.C.A. Delegate to the AKC, reported items significant to BCA members. He announced that since women have been permitted as Delegates, approximately 50% of the incoming Delegates are female. Although not an official part of his report, Art mentioned that an estimated 80% of participants in the dog fancy are female, and said that this being a significant percent, it is appropriate that women are involved in the AKC. He reported that: the increased registration fees have reversed AKC losses of past months; a proposed amendment to restrict spouses of Delegates from also serving as Delegates was not adopted; and three changes in the dog show rules that were adopted.

1) Entries in the Bred by Exhibitor classes may be handled only by the breeder or one of the breeders of record, or a member of their immediate families. 2) Latitude is now provided in the size of premium lists, entry forms and catalogs. 3) Non-regular classes, such as Veterans, will be divided by sex instead of combined. A proposal to provide points for Reserve Winners at large shows is still under consideration. Art then drew attention to the AKC Gazette and its many features, stating that a subscription is only $8 per year.

Medical Committee Chairman, Mercer Field announced that in the short time since the Medical Questionnaires had been mailed to the members, 28 had already been returned. She urged everyone to complete and return the questionnaires. Extra copies are available from Mercer. She announced plans for a seminar on herding, to be held in the Spring in the Minneapolis area and thanked all those who supported the Medical program in June. She encouraged everyone to support the work of the Morris Animal Foundation.

President, Phil McNelis presented an Award of Merit plaque to Jan & Phil Zingsheim and their Briard, Am. & Can. Ch. Rochelle de Marha, UD, the first Briard to earn the Utility degree in 20 years. He congratulated them for their significant achievement, emphasizing the tremendous amount of work required for this highest of obedience degrees. Phil then presented a second U.D. Award of Merit to Dick & Mimi Long and their Ch. Teddy du Lac de Bethmale, U.D. extending congratulations for two Briard U.D.s in the same year.

Phil announced the results of the B.C.A. election and declared the Officers and Directors for the 1975-1976 year as follows: continued...
The new President closed by saying, "Please, you have ideas or suggestions, if you care to serve in committee, let one of your Board members know! It is your club! We have a good Board to serve you, and with the continued close cooperation of the membership, I believe, we can look forward to a fruitful year."

Mercer Field expressed concern that at least 17 Briards had to be placed in new homes during the past year. A number of these were rescued from shelters and Briards are also turning up more and more in pet shops. An extensive discussion followed as to what BCA members could do to help control these growing problems. David Behrens suggested that breeders give the DEW CLAW to every puppy buyer so that they have contact with the Club. Louise Cohen told of another problem: charity dog auctions, where dogs are auctioned to benefit charity. The President suggested that this be reported to the ADOA. Mercer stated that education of the public, the buyers and the new breeders is important, and that an informed membership can help to lessen the problem. Diane McLeroth pointed out that pet shops have tried to buy Briard pups through a third party. The buyer indicates the dog is for him personally but resells the dog to the pet shop. Chuck Vetrone noted that screening buyers is very important. Mary Lou Tingley mentioned that the breeder can sell puppies with a written contract, which offers some protection. Jayne Dubin pointed out that the unscrupulous buyer will often avoid signing a contract. Carol Steiner asked if experienced breeders could write an outline on how to screen buyers, for the DEW CLAW. Mary Lou replied that Cece Collins had already written such an article for the AKC Gazette and asked if Cece would give permission for it to be reprinted in the DEW CLAW. Cece agreed and said that the article had already been reprinted in an Afghan magazine.

Jerry Katz asked if it would be possible to include the Board minutes as well as Board action in the DEW CLAW, in order to keep the membership informed. Mary Lou replied that there are no minutes since the work of the Board is done by mail. Diane McLeroth commented that the Board work requires volumes of papers and that it would be impossible to include it all in the DEW CLAW. She added that it would be possible, however, to include a list of issues under discussion by the Board. In this way, the membership would be more aware of what is being discussed and if members had contributions to make, they could and should contact the Board.

Jerry Katz made a motion that issues under discussion by the Board be included in the DEW CLAW. Mercer Field seconded the motion, which was approved by voice vote.

Louise Cohen presented awards for excellence in Junior Showmanship with a Briard. She announced that three girls had scored well: Louise Englehart and Amy Vetrone in the Junior division, and Kathy Ruby in the Senior division. Each girl was awarded a Briard medalion for her achievement.

Thanks were extended to Stephanie Katz, Specialty Chairman and her committee for the tremendous amount of work expended to make the Specialty weekend a success.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned on a motion by Chuck Vetrone at 11:00 p.m.
BRIARDS IN AUSTRALIA

It is not easy to establish a new breed in a country as vast as Australia. The quarantine rules are extremely strict, allowing importation only from rabies-free England, and even then a six month quarantine is imposed on all imports. In spite of the many difficulties, Sue Rodsted of N.S.W. and Briard Beveridge of Victoria are devoted Briarders, determined to get the Briard off on the right foot. Sue's Emma was the first Briard in Australia but she was joined quickly by four others, three of which belong to Brian, who also raises Afghans and Dalmatians.

Brian Beveridge writes, "Sue lives in N.S.W., which is about 600 miles from me. Needless to say, it is a problem for us to confer on the breed. We correspond by letter and an occasional phone call and last month I flew up to Sydney to see Sue's dogs before my trip to England.

"The dogs, however, have been around! Emma, Sue's first Briard, arrived in Melbourne quarantine and when her time was up, I put her on the aircraft to Sydney. Sue then drove down to Sydney to collect her. My dog and bitch, and Sue's dog, arrived in Australia by sea. The problems associated with their arrival is a sore point with both of us. The dogs were to go to Perth quarantine, which is 2000 miles away, on the other side of Australia. Instead of going directly from London to Perth as we expected, the ship called at Sydney and then Melbourne before going on to Perth. Quarantine rules stopped us from taking the dogs off at these points (and boy did we try!). I then flew across to Perth couple of days after the dogs arrived, to check them. They were a bit nervous (and still are to a certain extent) and we think this was caused by all the noise of the unloading at the intermediate points. On completion of their quarantine period, I flew them over to Melbourne and sent Sue's dog up to Sydney for her. My other black bitch arrived in Melbourne, by air from London, with a Dalmatian I had bought, and they had one another for company while in quarantine.

"We are trying to get through to our judges on Briards, but it is a hard battle. As yet, the dogs have not been mistaken for Old English Sheepdogs, but many times they have been taken for peculiar Afghans. I do not know if this is due to my long association with Afghans or not.

"In one incident, I was in a Special Class (all breeds) and was first in the ring. At the bottom of the line there were a couple of Afghans. The eminent judge told me to 'bring the Affie up here'. I ignored him the first and second times, but the third time when he said, 'will you bring that Affian up here with the others!', I exploded. In a loud voice I said, 'It is not an Afghan!' His face went red, accompanied by roars of laughter from ring-side. Still angry, I (regretfully) told him that he was off to a bad start. Well, needless to say, whenever I went into the ring that day, be it with Afghan, Briard or Dalmatian, I finished last!

"After a month in England, I will be back for the Melbourne Royal Show, with Mrs. Heckman judging. It is nice to know that she judges Briards in the States as she will have all the Briards in Australia to judge -- all five of them! It will do a lot for the Briard in this

DECEMBER IS COMING SOON!
THE DEW CLAW OFFERS SPACE FOR YOUR Holiday Greeting Ads

AT SPECIAL ADVERTISING RATES
FULL PAGE $6.00 ONE HALF PAGE $4.00
PLUS $1.00 PER PHOTO
An ad in the December DEW CLAW is an ideal way to send your good wishes to friends, far and near. Don't miss this special issue!

MEMBERS! - APPLICANTS!
PLAN YOUR HOLIDAY GREETING ADS NOW AND SEND TO:
Diane McLeroth, 3030 Rockwood Drive, Ft. Wayne, IN 46805

DEADLINE FOR GREETING ADS IS NOVEMBER 15!

SOME REQUIREMENTS FOR ADS:
1) Please prepare your own ad copy as you want it to appear. 2) Since prices are reduced for this issue, greeting ads may not contain any kind of advertising. 3) Copy must be submitted in one of two sizes, not to exceed: 4 3/4" wide by 7 1/2" long (to be printed the same size) or 5 7/8" wide by 9 1/4" long (to be printed at 80% of the original size). These sizes refer to actual copy to be printed. Margins will be added by the printer. 4) Pictures will be reduced or enlarged to fit your copy. Please do not attach photos to copy. 5) Please use only black or red ink, type or felt pen. Other colors do not reproduce.

PLAN YOUR GREETING AND MAIL IT TODAY!
country if it is recognized by an overseas judge!

AUSTRALIAN CHAMPION DESAMEE DANNY BEAR
The first Briard Champion in Australia

CHAMPION DESAMEE DANNY BEAR
But, there are rewards for all the work. Brian reports that his black dog is now a champion - the first Briard champion in Australia. Ch. Desamee Danny Bear, whelped 4/17/74, was bred by Nancy Tomlin. He also hoped to finish his bitch, Desamee Nanie Bear (whelped 6/13/74) before his trip to England in August. The photo he enclosed with his letter listed her as Champion! Nanie was also bred by Nancy Tomlin.

Congratulations!

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

MARBLEHEAD, MA. Milton Docktor, the founder and former president of the coast to coast Doctor Pet Centers, has announced plans to form the country’s first handicapped entrepreneur lending program through the US Office of Minority Businesses.

The Handicapped Entrepreneur Lending Program, LTD. (HELP) will also aid veterans, minorities and other economically or socially disadvantaged persons desiring to breed pets and produce related products commercially. Such Small Business Investment Companies are usually referred to as a MESCIC...Minority Enterprise Small Business Investment Company.

"Mr. William Seidman, the President’s Special Assistant for Economic Affairs, has conveyed to us President Ford's praise and encouragement of our worthy goals," said Doctor, who is now president of Marblehead-based Pedigree Industries, Inc.

The official announcement was made at a Washington, D.C. luncheon meeting held in June at the Rayburn House Office Building.


Over 60 congressional, White House, federal agency, administrative and other persons attended. Many praised the action that HELP and its associated company, Pedigree Industries, Inc., will undertake. Veteran, handicapped and union groups see it as an especially important method of creating new profit-producing, entrepreneurial and resultant employment opportunities. Some 4,000 jobs could be created initially...

"Upon licensing by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, for each million dollars of privately, paid-in capital, HELP will be funded with an additional $3 million by the Small Business Administration," Docktor added. "This funding, through HELP, our 'Bank', should enable Pedigree Industries, Inc. to initially undertake 'joint ventures' with 400 'profit minded', federally fundable, highly motivated disadvantaged people," concluded Docktor.

Historically deprived of entrepreneurial opportunities, these people will enter into various profit-making ventures with Pedigree Industries such as, pet-breeding, manufacturing pet products, retail pet centers, grooming centers, dog training centers and pet cemeteries. These businesses, in turn will provide employment for thousands.
Docktor is being contacted by corporations and individuals with a social conscience who are concerned with and interested in the establishment of the "for profit" Handicapped Entrepreneur Lending Program, LTD.

DID YOU NOTICE????

1. Federal money (YOUR TAX DOLLARS) will be used to finance "persons desiring to breed pets and produce related products commercially." Upon licensing by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, for each million dollars of privately paid-in capital, HELP will be funded with an additional $3 million by the Small Business Administration.

COMMENT....For EACH dollar invested by Pedigree Industries, the US Government will contribute an additional $3.00. In time, Pedigree Industries (together with other corporations) may invest 5 million dollars and the U.S. Government may add an additional 15 million dollars. THINK THROUGH THE RAMIFICATIONS OF THIS SCHEME. WHAT A "GRAB" FOR OUR TAX MONEY!!!!

FLOOD WASHINGTON, D.C. WITH PROTEST LETTERS AND TELEGRAMS!!! RIGHT AWAY!!! THIS "HOAX" ON THE AMERICAN TAX PAYER DEMANDS THE IMMEDIATE ACTION OF EVERY PUREBRED DOG BREEDER CONCERNED ABOUT MAINTAINING THE QUALITY OF HIS BRED AS WELL AS THE USE OF HIS HARD-EARNED TAX DOLLARS. GET BUSY AND WRITE!!! DON'T DELAY!!!!!

WRITE ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:

1. YOUR U.S. CONGRESSMAN (from your Congressional District)
   The Honorable ? ?
   U.S. House of Representatives
   Rayburn Office Building
   Washington, D.C. 20515

   NOTE: Brief telegrams can be sent to your Congressman at a reduced rate of $2.00. Be certain to advise Western Union operator that it is about government.

2. (ALL ILLINOIS CITIZENS) Write Rep. Frank Annunzio, Chairman
   Subcommittee of Consumer Affairs
   Rayburn Office Building
   Washington, D.C. 20515

   (He is Democratic representative from Illinois)

3. Write REP. JOSEPH ADDABBO, CHAIRMAN
   Subcommittee on SBA Oversight and Minority Enterprise
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IN YOUR OWN WORDS (no form letters, please!!) state your opposition to the HANDICAPPED ENTREPRENEUR LENDING PROGRAM, LTD (H.E.L.P.). Explain briefly your reasons for opposing this program.

(The preceding was received by the DEW CLAW via the Hoosier K.C. and an Illinois kennel club. The ADOA suggestions on this issue are on the following page. This is a time when you can not "leave it to the other guy". Each and every person concerned with dogs should write TODAY! Your help is needed.)

EDITORS NOTE: Statistics released by the American Humane Association indicate that it costs $100 million per year, in tax dollars and contributions to humane agencies, to destroy the unwanted cats and dogs in the United States. Add to that the costs and wasted energy of disposal. The tremendous overpopulation of animals - and the tragedy of millions of unjustified deaths - affects every community.
1975 is quickly passing and has brought another specialty weekend to an end. Briarders from all over the country congregated for an action packed weekend. Stephanie Katz should be awarded Best in Show for a super weekend ... starting with seminars and ending with our specialty show. A grand entry of 74 Briards made this our biggest show ever. The sight of 26 specials was something to remember. It sure was great to see so many friendly faces and we hope to see everyone again next year.

Congratulations to Ch. Umbi Chabiv de Strathcona who is owned by Jerry and Stephanie Katz. Umbi, handled superbly by Jerry, went Best of Breed at the specialty and on to a Group 2 under Mr. Roy Ayers.

Ch. Stonehill's I'm Henri, owned by Bob and Gerry Adolphus, is at it again. Henri and Bob are taking the show world by storm and have added six more group placements to his already impressive record. This 23 month old dog now has a grand total of 12 group placements (6 new placements listed under show reports). Keep up the good work!

Best in Show congratulations are in order for Can. Ch. Phydreux Windfall and his proud owner Jan Charbonneau. On 7/17/75 Sandor was BOB, Group 1 and Best in Show under judge Ed Dixon at the Limestone Kennel Club. On 7/27/75 he picked up a Group 3 under Judge Hatta Smith also at the Limestone Kennel Club show.

On 6/29/75 Uffin Berger du Nord, owned by Bob & Gerry Adolphus, finished his championship at the Badger Kennel Club show in Madison, Wisconsin by going WD, for 4 pts. and B.W. under judge Charles Hamilton.

July 27 brought another youngster to his championship. Stonehill's I'm Jacques, owned by Marilyn Rammussen & Bob Adolphus, finished at the Waukesha Kennel Club show under judge Robert Ward by going WD and B.W. for 3 pts. This was his third major.

Puppies, puppies, puppies. I recently received a letter from Joyce Awodey who is now living in St. Louis. She reports that there are now 13 Briards in her area. Of course, seven of these are tawny puppies (4 males - 3 females) born 8/17/75 out of Ula Hoop de la Petite Suisse du Nord by Ch. Alcides Chez Chien Velu.

Also in the wind is news from Linda Wells Loehr who tells me that Widgette (Jaimie Widgette de L'indeau) is now O.F.A. certified #FD4/2. Linda is planning a litter of puppies in the near future out of Widgette.

Show Reports
6/15/75 - Chain of Lakes K.C. - J. R. Greathouse - entry 5-1-2 -- BOB, Ch. Flogan Viscount de Braewild (David & Dan Murphy), WB, B.O.S. Junot Justine d'Ocassion (Susan Smith), WD, 4 pts., B.W.
Uffin Berger du Nord (Bob & Gerry Adolphus)

6/28/75 - Paper Cities K.C. - J. Larry Downey - entry 4-0-1 -- BOB, Ch. Stonehill's I'm Henri (Bob & Gerry Adolphus & Grp, 4) J Longdon Skarda, WD, 3 pts. Jabot le Bonheur D'hôte Coutre (F. Taylor)
Canadian Shows


Patricia A. Long

IN MEMORY OF PA'CHICK'S JEREMIAH, MARCH 3, 1974 to AUGUST 21, 1975:
Owned by James and Karen Rangus, Jeremiah is shown above, taking a Working Group 1 at the Saint Clair Kennel Club Match in June.

THE OTHER RING......

Sue Erickson's "Salty", LES BLUES DU CHIEN DE SEL, finished her C.D. on August 10 at the Indianhead Kennel Club, Chippewa Falls, WI. She scored 197 for 4th place in Novice B.

Our "Kahlbah", G'VERET KAHLBAH DE STRATHCONA, C.D.X., trained and shown by Jerry Katz, scored a 191½ in Open B at the Flint show, Sat. August 16th.

Our "Umbi", CH. UMBI CHABIV DE STRATHCONA, made his obedience debut and received his Canadian C.D. by finishing in a three day weekend at the Essex County K.C. shows Aug. 30, 31 and Sept. 1, scoring 195½ under J. Max McCarrrmon, 194½ under J. Don Foster and 194 under J. E. Richards. Umbi will make his American obedience debut in late September.

Jacques and Faith Berthault report that their Briard, JERRY DE LA PETITE SUISSE DU NORD, earned his C.D. in Canada. No other information is available.

Congratulations to all!

Again, I urge you all to report obedience news, legs earned along with date, place, scores and judges. More Briards than ever are being shown in obedience and we all want to boast about it.

Stephanie Katz

DESAMEE PIXIE BEAR took Winners Bitch, Best of Winners and Best of Breed for a 3 point major at Beaumont, TX in April. She is owned by Severine Miller.

PA'CHICK'S IMPERIAL MAXIME took a 4 pt. major at Sandusky KC under judge, Charles Hamilton. He is owned by Mr. & Mrs. Vernon Beitel and handled by Pat Long.
EAST SIDE STORY.....

BEST IN SHOW: Canadian Champion Phydeaux Windfall became the second Briard to take Best in Show on July 19 in Kingston, Ontario, at the Limestone City K.C. show, where breed, Group and HIS were judged by Edward Dixon. "Sandor" was handled by owner Jan Charbonneau, who has shown him exclusively to his Canadian championship and to one point short of an American championship as of this writing. He picked up a major (unofficial) at one show. The black B.C.A. Champion at the Montreal International show in April in spite of having been sprayed by a skunk the day before. He already has several Group placements to his credit, most recently a Group 3 under Rita Smith at Limestone City July 18 (the day before his record HIS) and another Group 3 on September 5 at the Sudbury District K.C. show, judged by Irvind Dixon. Jan will enter "Sandor" at the Show of Shows in Ottawa, an invitational competition among HIS winners to be held the last weekend in November, Can. Ch. Phydeaux Windfall was bred by Mary Lou Tingley, owned by Ch. Phydeaux Quin de Cuvire out of Ch. Phydeaux Usheba des Bergers. He was whelped 12/16/73.

Congratulations to breeder, owner and "Sandor," a fine Briard.

Our first Best in Show was Ch. Phydeaux Tambourine, owned and handled by Bob Klein in Alaska. We mourn the death this spring of this beautiful maharchose Briard, who had even triumphed in sled competition. Bob and Elaine immortalized "Tamby" in B.C.A. photo essays; it's good to hear they will soon have a new puppy in the northern snows.

NEW CHAMPIONS: Although details are sparse, congratulations to the following Briards, owners and breeders for careers well handled:

CANADIAN CHAMPION JERRY DE LA PETITE SUISSE DU NORD, C.D. owned and handled by Jacques Berthault. The black male was imported from N. Lebrun in France and placed in championship at the Canadian Specialty Weekend, April 12. His Companion Dog degree was earned April 13.

CHAMPION TRACY DES ELFES MALOISE, owned and handled by June Shew. This tan and white bitch was imported by Norma of the Elses de Malouse out of Marilyn of the Malouse, bred by Jeannine Nopty in France. "Tracy" was whelped September 3, 1970.

CHAMPION CHATEAUBRIARD JOUE DE VIVRE owned and handled by Ann Closner. "Huggy Bear" finished at the Newtown K.C. show, August 23, in Danbury, Ct., under judge Thomas Gately. A tan and white male, he was bred by Ceci Collins and whelped 1/5/74. His sire is Ch. Phydeaux Theda Bara.

CHAMPION JENNIE DEL CASTRE, yet another tan and white bitch, owned by Mary Lou Tingley and handled by husband Art. She finished in very few shows with five-pointers the Specialty weekend, including BOS on Saturday and winner of the Puppy Sweepstakes Sunday under Ral Horsworthy. "Jennie" was imported from M. Molinier in France.

CHAMPION PHYDEAUX INTERLUDE, a tan and white bitch with a blue sable overlay, owned and handled by Norma Field. "Flannel" finished with four points at the Westchester K.C. show, September 7, judged by Jack Rosenblatt. She was bred by Mary Lou Tingley and whelped April 7, 1973. Her sire is Ch. Phydeaux Quin de Cuvire, the dam Ch. Phydeaux Usheba des Bergers. Here was a courageous comeback from medical weakness.

GROUP TWO: Ch. Chateaubriard Vickysoise, owned and bred by Ceci Collins, was professionally handled under judge Frances Crane to Second in the Working Group at the Somerset Hills K.C. show on September 6. "Hilda" is by Ch. Pythias Chez Phydeaux out of Ch. Phydeaux Theda Bara.

MATCH WIN: Diana D'Angelo showed her young male Briard, Chateaubriard Jetstream, to a Working Group Four over 26 dogs at the Palisades K.C. match August 17. "Paco" is a dark tan and white male bred by Ceci Collins, one of the "Hilda-Hugo" litter. At 13 months old, it was only "Paco's" second time out--an exciting win for both he and Diana.

Ira Ackerson has taken Phydeaux What's Happening? on a co-ownership with Mary Lou Tingley. The tan and white male from the second String-Sheba litter has 11 championship points as of this writing and, having recovered from heartworm, he's written a new chapter in "What's Happening?" She is a black male from Ch. Chateaubriard Jus d'Orange out of Ch. Seigneurine from Shiel. Owner-bred, her registered name is Chateaubriard De Cafe au Lait.

Marie and Monroe Kokin have been showing "Friday" (Ch. Bellesprint Wisconsin) with success this summer, taking the breed at both Sand'n'Sea and New Brunswick (where the Pisces handed out cigars celebrating their baby girl, Kirsten). Ruth Monnent entertained with a self-catered poolside luncheon after Sand'n'Sea, attended by Henry and Fiphy Collins, the Kokins, Tingleys and Keiters. The Ackersons carried on the hospitality, entertaining successive days after New Jersey shows. It is rumored that they intend to extend revels to the Crafts show this winter, joined by the Tingleys and Keiters among many at the celebrated British event. Judging by Eastern society, the economy must be on the upswing.

On August 3, Mary Lou journeyed west to Canfield, Ohio, to judge Briards at the Mahoning-Shenango K.C. show. All reports are that she was even more lavishly entertained there than back East. Her choice for WB and a major was Susan Alexander's Ermine du Lac de Bethmale, a black imported from M. Cabos. We were distressed to learn that "Erin" died only a few days later, hit by a car. Equally disturbing was the death of Ruth Monnent's "Barney" (Ch. Chateaubriard Votre Sante), who at two-and-a-half left two little litters. Our sympathy to both Susan and Ruth.

On a brighter note, Marli Delaney writes that their new puppy "Dusty" (Lauree's Grand Chien Brun) loves the water and will start obedience classes this fall. "Dusty" is alert to the activities of all children at the beach, and, Marli relates, "Recently, a young child started to drift out in one of those rubber rafts. Dusty swam out, found the towing rope and pulled the raft to shore, then nonchalantly dropped the rope and walked away. . . . The child was not far out enough to be in any great danger, but Dusty wasn't taking any chances." Sage-hard.

Another water-loving Briard is Phydeaux Wildfire, owned by Richard Beatty in Houston, Texas. "Keeper" is Richard's second shaggy friend. His first was a black without papers but with a temperament in need of much work, rescued and called "Shena," Richard recently visited the East. My "Flannel" thought he was just what the doctor ordered. His championship portfolio was taken several times because the photographer thought she was insufficiently animated. "Call over that Texan," he says.

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demanded, and "Flannel" perked right up for the final shots as Richard crowned to her. He also was lucky enough to spend a day with the Collines' new pups, while we tried to decipher the relationships of Texas Briards in his stories. Apparently Linda Fruit's "Angel" (a Mandeville puppy) is doing well in Austin as are the Steenland dogs. Houston is Janet Slover's new territory. She and "Desi" (Ch. VSOP Bouffon du Berle) are already coordinating show plans with Richard and "Keeper" and will be looking for competition (Sewerine Miller, Pat Morale and others, take note!). There seem to be close to a dozen Briards in Texas now.

The East was well represented at the Specialty weekend in Michigan. Among our contingent were the Ackersons, Barbara and Jan Charbonneau and Ruth Shrussell from Canada, the Ken Collinses, Jace Daniel and father, Mercer Field, the Keiters, Koehn, Mattheussen, Movellines (who have moved to Pittsburgh), Steiner, Tingley, Vaughans and Zaccaros. Ed Miller of the World of the Working Dog joined us from New York. The fall issue of his new magazine will carry a BCA Specialty feature story with photographs (write to P.O. Box 205, Spring Valley, NY 10977-3976) --- for a copy subscription). Many thanks to Stephanie and Jerry Kate, Irene Lengyl and the whole midwestern group for a beautifully run weekend, well worth your efforts!

Also thanks to Millie Koseff for relieving me of this column for nearly a year. It is nice to be back, but it was fun to read her light touch.

Please send or phone news to me from now on (6 Rebel Road, Westport, CT 06880-203/226-5779) but by all means don't lose touch with Millie either. Remember to send complete details of all wins and photos if you have them, along with stories showing your pet's true character.

By the first of September, we had three adult black Briards in need of new homes in the East. Although none were in pounds or in emergency situations, this is further evidence of our need to screen buyers very carefully and to control the size and quality of the breed. Pat Long is the new head of the Rescue Committee, but I would appreciate hearing from anyone who knows of a family interested in taking an older Briard. Local contact is still our best (and cheapest) way of placing Briards. The three dogs in question will hopefully be placed by the time this column is read, but unfortunately we can almost count on having others.

Yvonne Lacy has returned from France to Boston, but we are still represented abroad by Jerry Cohen and Hap and Carolyn Paul. Hap is a new member of the Medical Committee, and Jerry reads that "Meatball" is daily walked in the Bois de Boulogne and "has worked out a good manageable relationship with two other dogs at the Institute. Ophelia, the female toy poodle, has become a real coquette. . . . Igor, the male dachshund, at first tried to intimidate Meatball by furiously barking at him every day. And it is true, too, until one day he barked too much and Meatball barked back. It took Igor half a day to come out from under the effect, and since then he and Meatball have been fast friends. . . . Bulliver and the Lilliputians couldn't have been funder." Me atball also has a secretary in the palm of his paw, tugging at her sleeve until she produces three or four cookies every morning. He'll share the morning croissants and start if they are fast enough to beat him to them.

Jerry, too, is making friends, having purchased a seven-year-old Alsatian, Romeo, joined a tennis club and been skiing in the Alps—on a glacier! He is also beginning real work on his economics research and still explains to the French what "race" Ch. Chateau Briard Very Rare really is.—Mercer Field

THE FARRIERY

**UMBILICAL HERNIA**

Now and then in a litter one puppy will have a soft painless swelling at its navel. If slight pressure is applied to the lump, it will usually disappear; in some cases, when such a pup lies on its back, the swelling will not be noticeable. In all likelihood, this puppy has an umbilical hernia.

A hernia is the protrusion of any part of an organ through the wall of the cavity containing it. Rupture is a similar condition but is caused by accident or injury rather than weakened musculature.

Dogs are subject to several kinds of hernia or rupture, the most common being umbilical, inguinal, scrotal and perineal. The hernias are contained in a loop of bowel or simply fatty abdominal tissue. The inguinal hernia is a swelling in the groin area, most often found in adult dogs. In males, swelling near the scrotum may develop after an inguinal hernia is noticed. The perineal hernia occurs on the side of the anus, usually in aging male dogs. It is wise to consult a veterinarian when any hernia is discovered, although hernias which are reducible (when the hernia contents can be gently, painlessly and temporarily pushed back into the abdomen) are generally not cause for emergency treatment.

An inguinal hernia in a pregnant bitch could be serious if it contains part of the uterus. Any irreducible hernia could become complicated by strangulation. When the swelling becomes tense, hot and extremely painful, immediate surgery is required to repair a strangulated hernia.

In puppies, the umbilical hernia results from incomplete closing of the umbilical ring where the cord of the placenta was attached. Frequently, this tiny hole in the abdominal wall will close with growth. If the hernia stretches to the width of two fingers or exists after five or six months, simple surgical correction is advised. Since the surgery will require general anaesthesia, it is wise to observe an umbilical hernia carefully before deciding to ask your veterinarian to operate on a young dog. Scar tissue following surgery will leave swelling at the incision, but this disfiguration is harmless and disappears within a few weeks.

The BCA Medical Committee welcomes two new members: Jan Charbonneau (608 Ramsey Lake Rd., Sudbury, Ontario P3E 2C5, Canada) and Howard (Hap) Paul (11 Rue du Bourg Tibourg, 75104 Paris, France). Increased chances to learn about Canadian and French Briards will be a boon to our work.

Please fill out your questionnaires and return to the BCA Medical Committee Chairman; we are getting an excellent response, including news of many pets not often heard from. Remember to keep us up to date once your form is returned. A post card whenever you have medical news or advice will be welcomed.

Contact Mini Long (6 First Ave, North, Duluth, MN 55803) if you can help with or attend the herding/orthopedic seminar next spring in her area.—BCA MEDICAL COMMITTEE, Mercer Field, Chmn. (203-226-5779)

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SCREENING PUPPY BUYERS

BY CECE COLLINS

No breeder wants to receive a phone call from a buyer of a year or two ago, informing him that their Briard has not worked out. Worse yet, is the call telling him that one of his puppies, now an obstreperous two year old, is in a dog pound. The fault is almost never that of the poor dog himself, for he has become the victim of a home in which he should not have been placed in the first place. Many of these unfortunate situations can be avoided if the breeder will screen his buyers thoroughly.

The screening process begins with the first important contact between the breeder and potential buyer. First impressions are revealing and I cannot help being put off by the note scrawled in pencil on lined tablet paper. The neatly written or typed letter indicates that the potential buyer has put thought and time into his request for information, that it is not a spur-of-the-moment whim. Often a phone call initiates the process, and it is astonishing how many people do not exhibit the good manners to begin by introducing themselves. When the very first words out of their mouths are, "How much does one of your puppies cost?", they are off my list, then and there! A face-to-face meeting before the time of purchase should always be arranged if distances permit. Before the full picture emerges, the breeder will ask many questions of his potential buyer, primarily to determine why he wants to own a Briard.

The reasons for buying a dog are widely varied, but the most basic is the desire for love and companionship. A Briard will provide both in abundance, but he must receive as well as give if he is to develop properly. If the potential buyer's prime motivation is something other than the need for a loyal companion, beware! While there are other valid reasons for wanting a dog, the mutual love had better be part of the package, or the result will be disaster.

One wrong reason for buying a Briard is that the potential buyer wants a dog "for the children". No Briard should be sold to a home unless there is at least one adult who wants that dog himself, and understands that an adult must take the responsibility for the training, feeding, and grooming of the dog throughout his lifetime. Certainly it is a wonderful experience for a child to grow up with a Briard, but unless that child is at least fourteen at the time of purchase of the puppy, he cannot be expected to meet the dog's basic needs himself. It is crucial that the adults of the household realize the investment of their time required to raise and maintain a long-coated, boisterous, large dog possessed of great intelligence, natural guard instincts, and a need for obedience training. It can occasionally be discerned that the buyer is interested in a Briard because it represents a kind of status symbol with which he intends to impress his friends. I sold a puppy to a young doctor and his wife who displayed such a symptom, hoping that their other seemingly perfect qualifications would predominate. This family ruined a healthy sparkling puppy, for whenever he did anything remotely dog-like, such as chew a sock, jump on a chair, or piddle on the Oriental rug, he was put out for long, lonely hours on a chain, in the garage. These people wanted an object, and would have been better off with an expensive bronze from a Third Avenue antique dealer.

Another wrong reason for buying a Briard is the expectation that the owner will make money from his Briard. I have listened to people explain to me in one breath that they want a pet quality dog and can't pay too much, and in the next breath ask me how much they can expect to make in stud fees or from puppy sales. Forget such people.

Beware, also, of the individual so hung up on a top show dog that he thinks of the animal as a commodity which can be traded in. Sometimes people with limited experience in some more popular breed will decide that they can do great things in the Group ring with a Briard, and want to buy a puppy which will grow up to be a Group winner. We'd all like one of those, but there are no guarantees, and the most promising puppy can turn out to be a disappointment in the ring. Be sure in advance that your show home will love and keep that Briard, whether he pulls in the blue rosettes or not.

One of the least promising types of buyers is the breed-hopper. Always ask what other kinds of dogs your potential buyer has owned. If the list included more than one or two breeds, be careful. Find out how long each dog was with the family and for what reason it was given up. You can be sure that a person who has gotten rid of two or three dogs already will feel no compunction at exchanging his Briard for the latest "in" model. The "if he doesn't work out we can always sell him" attitude signals certain trouble.

It is helpful to know if the buyer currently owns other dogs with which your puppy will be living. Briards need a great deal of time and affection, and I would not deliberately place one in a highly competitive situation. The dog will be the loser. I was once approached by a woman who already owned fourteen dogs of three different breeds! What could a Briard possibly contribute or gain from such a home? Be sure to find out if someone is home all day to care for the puppy. If both husband and wife work, special provisions must be willingly made for the puppy to grow up with adequate socialization. A young Briard which spends most of each day locked alone in the bathroom will become a shy or aggressive animal. Puppy sitters can be found in almost every neighborhood, if the determination is present in the potential owners.

Inquire, too, about the kind of yard or other facilities the buyer has. I personally will not sell a Briard to anyone who intends to let the dog run loose. If the buyer is not willing to fence in an area for the puppy, he does not deserve to own a Briard. More Briards still die from being hit by cars than from any other single cause. These deaths are preventable and inexcusable. If the Briard does live long enough to become car-wise, he is apt to bite the garbage man or meter-reader by the time he is two years old. A Briard has a strong protective instinct concerning his property and does not like anyone trespassing on it without invitation. He cannot be expected to behave otherwise, as Briards have been bred to protect what is theirs since the 11th century. It is up to the breeder to educate his potential buyer as to exactly what he can expect from his Briard, and to politely but firmly eliminate those buyers who will not provide a suitable home for each precious puppy.

(This article was originally written for the AKC Gazette)
1975 SPECIALTY REPORT
BY LOUISE COHEN

This is not yer average true, full, and correct report of what went on at the Specialty -- win/lose/draw-wise. I'm one of those "faithful" who concentrates mainly on sociability and incidents, so, here's a sampling of some of the things I saw:

Unlike past Specialty Weekends, this one went beyond the usual scheduled shows and annual meeting in providing a series of informative seminars and demonstrations. Beginning Friday afternoon right through Sunday evening, there were presentations by members Jerry Katz and Kahlbah in obedience; Diane McLeoroth and a blackboard on color genetics; and Mary Lou Tingley and an enviable store of knowledge on grading a litter. Dr. Fred Gasow, nationally-known veterinarian and husband of breeder/judge, Julie Gasow (Sallilyn English Springer) spoke both with authority and raucous good humor on breeding problems. Also, the AKC film on galt was screened. There certainly was ample opportunity to learn and expand one's knowledge of many facets of the dog game.

Accommodations at the Troy Hilton Inn bordered on the positively posh. Prior to our coming, the management had expended extraordinary efforts to make sure the Briards and their people would be well provided for, even to inquiring whether room service would be asked to prepare the dogs' steaks with seasoning, in butter or oil, or just plain. Now, that's what I call consideration for the inner dog!

Many thanks for the amenities and civilities of the weekend go to Stephanie Katz (chair) and Ilene Lengyel (co) for their thorough and fastidious attention to detail. Also to the long-suffering and all-enduring Jerry and Gary who love them above and Beyond the call of duty.

The 1975 Specialty trophies made a handsome display.

PHOTO BY DAVID LOEHR

It is a tribute to everyone that this was the best-attended Specialty on record, with people and dogs converging literally from every part of the U.S. and Canada. I wouldn't venture to confer the farthest-traveled award (my sense of direction and distance being what it is), but the nominees are: Jan and Barbara Charbonneau who drove from Sudbury, Ontario; the Winnipeg and environs contingent from Manitoba; Patti Curnow and Dallas Meggitt from California; and Pat Morale from Dallas, TX.

Pat and Briard, Daisy, came by plane, and then were refused a spot on the airport limo, this after Stephanie had extracted a blood oath from the service management that they would accept dogs. Other than that frustration, it was a good weekend for the gals from Texas. Daisy placed both days in large Open Bitch classes. It was certainly a novelty for them, as their normal competition in the South consists mainly of a couple of iguanas and a scruffy yucca plant.

I will spare you a James Beard dissection of the buffet dinner, which preceded the annual meeting. It was attractively displayed and ample in portion, and the one outstanding thing in my mind remains the BLUE jello. But you really had to be there to appreciate the full impact.

As was graphically evident at the meeting, it was a very good year for Briards and the Club in general. Many special awards were made, with probably the happiest recipients of all being Janet Zingsheim and her Ch. Rochelle de Marha, U.D. After some quarter-century of drought, our breed now has two Utility Dog title holders confirmed during the past year. Unfortunately, Ch. Teddy du Lac de Bethmale and his people, Dick and Mimi Long, were not there to receive their commendation in person. But Jan and Angel (Rochelle) were -- and Angel even did a perfect standstay on the table to show us all what a classic Ch/UD looks like.

Doubtless it is not even coincidence -- but it does make for a neat comparison -- that the BCA seems to have taken notice of the fact that this is the International Year of the Woman. As the results of the election were officially announced, it was indeed a feminine Board, with Harold Marley (Director) and past-president Phil McNelis (Director) the only males. Due to family and job commitments and a recent major move, Phil reluctantly declined the office, and has been replaced by Dick Long, the afore-mentioned owner of superior obedience dogs.

Our heartiest thanks go to Phil for his sincere and devoted efforts at the helm of the BCA these past three years.

The new Board, initiated plans for our next Rassemblement in 1978, which will coincide with the 50th anniversary of the Briard Club of America. Approaching as we are that important half-century milestone, I am reminded of the Chinese toast: "May you live in interesting times!" These are indeed interesting times -- both for reflection and charting the course of the future. And a National Specialty just helps to bring them all into sharper focus. Certain trends seem to emerge or become evident, as for example, the overwhelming number of black Briards now being exhibited and bred. Both days, the open bitch classes were more than 50 percent black, and Winners Dog at each show was also a black. There is still a good measure of excellent imports, but American-breeds are coming more and more to be fine representatives of the Briard Standard and worthy of group placements, the Winners Bitch coming from the former category, and the Best of Breed from the latter.

It was a great weekend, and I was encouraged and delighted to have attended.
FROM OUR SPECIALTY CHAIRMAN

I would like to extend a very warm and special thank you to each and every person (and Briard) who participated in making the 1975 Specialty Weekend a success. Participants traveled from each end of North America: the East Coast; the West; Texas; Ontario; and Manitoba. We had close to eighty people attending workshops, discussions and films, not to mention the largest entry for a Specialty show in B.C.A. history. A wonderful feeling of warmth, enthusiasm and comraderie was generated and shared by all.

A special thanks to our workshop leaders:
Dr. Fred Gasow - Breeding Concerns
Jerry Katz - Obedience
Diane McLeroth - Genetics
Mary Lou Tingley - Grading & Caring for a Litter

Additional trophy and Specialty weekend donations, not mentioned in the show catalog were made by Ruth Brumwell, Nancy & Clair Lewis, Jan and Barbara Charbonneau. Thank you.

Special thanks to Ilene Lengyel, who served as Trophy Chairperson and worked with me along the way. Another special thanks to Diane McLeroth, who helped in ways too numerous to mention, and to Jerry Katz and Gary Lengyel.

The "Hospitality Camper" was graciously supplied by Joel and Louise Cohen so we could enjoy hot coffee, coffee cake, cold soda, Brie cheese and apples throughout the day on Sunday. Thanks Louise and Joel.

Thanks to Linda and David Loehr for displaying the photographs for the photography contest and to Cheryl Foote for arranging for flowers. The cookies and cakes we enjoyed during the weekend were baked by Orra Fusik, Barbara Ruby, Connie Stollings, Cheryl Foote, Linda Loehr, Sue McCormick and Louise Cohen. Please forgive me if I have omitted any names as we are grateful to all who helped so willingly throughout the weekend.

Again, thank you all for sharing this weekend and making our time together both meaningful and enjoyable.

Stephanie Katz
Specialty Chairperson

FROM OUR JUDGES

Dear Mrs. McLeroth:
Just a note of appreciation for being able to do your Briard Puppy Sweepstakes. Both Mrs. Norsworthy and I enjoyed seeing so many Briards and the hospitality of your Club. Thanks also for the Briard Medallion gift. It will go with my show possessions.

Thanks again from both of us.

Sincerely,
(signed) Ray Norsworthy

Dear Mrs. Katz:
You had a great Specialty Show and I enjoyed taking part. My assignment was a pleasure because of the excellent quality.
Please thank the Club for my beautiful medallion. I appreciate it very much.

Please give my best wishes to all the club members.

Sincerely,
(signed) Ray Ayers
SPECIALTY WEEKEND

BCA SPECIALTY
BEST OF BREED
Ch. Umbi Chabiv de Strathcona
Owned by Jerry and Stephanie Katz, Umbi went on to take a WORKING GROUP II.
He is shown here with j. Roy Ayers, Sr. and Jerry Katz.

BCA SPECIALTY
WINNERS DOG AND
BEST OF WINNERS

Can. Ch. Phydeaux Windfall
Shown here with owner Jan Charbonneau, Mr. Ayers and Monroe Kokin, who presented the BOW trophy.

BCA SPECIALTY
WINNERS BITCH
Ch. Jennie d'El Pastre
Jennie is owned by Mary Lou Tingley and is shown here with Art Tingley and Mr. Ayers. Completing her championship at the Specialty, Jennie also took:

Winners Bitch
Best of Winners &
Best of Opposite Sex
at companion show,
Geneseo Co. KC

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BRIARDS
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BREEDERS, PUPPY Bitchers,

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With all the recent new champions and a lull in showing as the new crop of puppies shapes up, we found ourselves pleasantly surprised by the appearance of Chuck & Dorothy Vetrone and family. They had a couple of their Ohio Briards at the Friday, Saturday and Sunday shows at Channel City, Ventura and Santa Barbara. Still another unexpected visit on Sunday at the Santa Barbara show was from Mr. & Mrs. Closer, Briarders from the East. However, their entry, listed in the catalog, remained at home, understandably so, considering the long flight to California. I can tell you first hand that a Briard in the cargo hold can be unnerving. Placing your ear near the flooring over the pet compartment, you can hear nervous barking. The barking of course, isn't this exciting fun. Where are we going now? You can not help but feel a little foolish and so relieved.

NEW CHAMPIONS Finishing at Santa Barbara, July 27th, 1975 was CH. VALHALA DE BRIE DE BEAUXJOLIS with a 3 point major (her third) for Winners Bitch and Best of Winners. Owner: Don Mandeville. Completing the requirements after a 2 year absence was CH. PUTNEY JAY DE BEAUXJOLIS at Conejo K.C., Sept. 7th, 1975 with a 3 point major (also his third) for Winners Dog and Best of Winners. Owner: Rod Stutman.

WESTERN SHOW REPORTS
Channel City K.C., Santa Barbara, CA, July 25. Judge: Glenn Fancy
Entry: 2-3-3
BOB: Ch. Capucine de Beauxjolis, owner: Robert & Shirlee Kessler
BOS: Ch. Valhala de Brie de Beauxjolis, owner: Linda Bell
WD & BOW: Valhala de Brie de Beauxjolis for 2 pts. Owner: Don Mandeville
WD: Uhlan de Grand Coeur for 1 pt. Owners: Jennie & Dallas Meggitt
Ventura County K.C. July 26th. Judge: Mrs. Virginia L. Lyne. Entry 2/2
BOB: Ch. Magdalene de Beauxjolis. Owner: Ken Van Fleet
BOS: Ch. Desamee Aristole. Owners: Don & Julie Normann
WD & BOW: Uhlan de Grand Coeur. Owners: Jennie & Dallas Meggitt (1 pt)
RWB: Jessica James de L'Etat d'Or. Owner: Don Thompson

BOB: Ch. Desamee Aristole. Owners: Don & Julie Normann
BOS: Ch. Capucine de Beauxjolis. Owners: Bob & Shirlee Kessler
WD & BOW Valhala de Brie de Beauxjolis. Owner: Don Mandeville (3 pts)
WD: Uhlan de Grand Coeur. Owners: Jennie & Dallas Meggitt (1 pt)
RWB: Landlyn's Amaryllis. Owners R. Taub & C. Erickson
South Bay K.C. Aug. 10. Judge: J. Bennett. Entry 2/0/3
WB: Valhala de Brie de Beauxjolis. Owner: Don Mandeville.
NEW BRIARD CHAMPION

CHAMPION CAPUCINE DE BEAUXJOLIS (bitch)

Owners: Robert & Shirlee Kessler  Breeders: Don & Nancy Mandeville

Championship: May 25, 1975

Whelped: December 18, 1975

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

(Ch. Ike de Vasouy X Ch. Nanie de la Haute Tour)  (Sanson d'Agincourt X Berry Brow's Nina)

Judge: Mr. Tom Stevenson  Handler: Marna Pearson

NEW BRIARD CHAMPION

CHAMPION UFFIN BERGER DU NORD (dog)

Owners: Bob & Gerry Adolphus  Breeders: Jan & Phil Zingsheim

Championship: June 19, 1975

Whelped: October 21, 1971

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

(Ch. B. Ogham des Elfes de Malouse X Mady de la Chevrerie)  (Ch. Nestor de Vasouy X Marha Magle de la Brie)

Judge: Charles Hamilton  Handler: Tom Kilcullen
NEW BRIARD CHAMPION

**CHAMPION STONEHILL'S I'M JACQUES (dog)**

Owners: Marilyn Rasmussen & Bob Adolphus
Breeders: Nancy and Robert Adolphus

**Championship:** July 27, 1975

**Whelped:** October 27, 1973

**Sire:** Ch. Uffin Berger du Nord
(Ch. Syre du Val de Reuil X Am. & Can Ch. Rochelle de Marha, U.D.)

**Dam:** Flogan Variety Sho Stonehill
(Ch. Soleil d'or de Marha X Ch. Flogan Phay de Marha)

**Judge:** Isidore Schoenberg
**Handled by owner**

NEW BRIARD CHAMPION

**CHAMPION VALHALA DE BRIE DE BEAUXJOLIS (bitch)**

Owner: Don Mandeville
Breeder: Owner

**Championship:** July 27, 1975

**Whelped:** May 29, 1972

**Sire:** Ch. Phydeaux Quinaud
(Ch. Ike de Vasouy X Ch. Nanie de la Haute Tour)

**Dam:** Ch. Cicely of Northumberland
(Samson d'Agincourt X Berry Brow's Nina)

**Judge:** Mr. H. Anthony Hodges
**Handler:** Owner
LES BLUES DU CHIEN DE SEL, C.D. (bitch)

Owner: Susan Erickson
Breeder: Lawrence H. LoPatin

Obedience Title: August 10, 1975
Whelped: November 20, 1973

Sire: Ch. Uhey Chien de Grand Coeur
Dam: Ch. Ugie Belle Noire de Strathcona

(Ch. Ralph des Elfes de Malouse CD
X Ch. Phoebe Chez Phyeau)

(Ch. Tres Bien Chez Rogues de Brie X G'Veret Kahlbah de Stathcona, C.D.X.)

Handled by owner
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. CHATEAUBRIAND JAMBOREE, tawny, 1/5/74. Sire: Ch. Pythias Chez Phydeau. Dam: Ch. Phydeaux Theda Bara. Owners: Mr. and Mrs. Robert P. Howard, 2624 E. Lake Dr., Springfield, IL 62707. Telephone: 217/520-2824. (8/76)

CH. CHATEAUBRIAND VERMOUTH, C.D., tawny, 1/12/72. Sire: Ch. Pythias Chez Phydeau. Dam: Ch. Phydeaux Theda Bara. O.P.A. #52 (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 Road, Mendham, NJ 07945 Telephone: 201/343-7455. (10/75)

Stud Dog Column listings $10 (annual rate) or $2 (per issue) for four lines of information. Send listing to the Secretary and make checks payable to the Briard Club of America.

LOOKING FOR PUPPIES?

CONNECTICUT
June & Bill Shew, P.O. Box 288, Martin Road, East Hartford, 06027

MICHIGAN
Patricia Long, 5890 Shea Road, Marine City, 48039

MISSOURI
Joyce and Bill Awodey, 112 Heatherwood Dr., Olivette, 63132

NEW JERSEY
Mary Lou Tingley, Yardley Road, Mendham, NJ 07945

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.

PLAN YOUR HOLIDAY GREETING ADS AND MAIL TODAY!
Deadline: November 15

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