PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

My sincere thanks on behalf of the entire membership, to Carole Cruz, West Coast Specialty Chairman and to Carolyn Erickson, West Coast Trophy Chairman; to Jayne Dubin, East Coast Specialty Chairman and to Ira Ackerson, East Coast Trophy Chairman, for their outstanding work in organizing the Specialty Weekends.

Included in this issue is information on Progressive Retinal Atrophy (PRA), an eye disease commonly associated with Poodles, Collies and Irish Setters. This information appears as a direct result of a letter to me from the British Briard Club, indicating that they have confirmed cases of PRA in their Briards - and asking for our help and cooperation. For this reason, the August Dew Claw has been delayed long enough to include the information on this inherited disease.

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The BCA consists of over 300 members and accounts for at least 450 - 600 Briards. Examination of all British and French imports for PRA, as well as a number of all existing lines would give us a good basic fund of information.

The examination for PRA is quick, simple and painless. The cost to me to have "String" examined by a diplomat (member) of the American College of Veterinary Ophthalmologists (ACVO) was $15. At an eye clinic, this cost can be reduced to as little as $3.00 per dog.

The results of these examinations are then forwarded to the Canine Eye Registration Foundation (C.E.R.F.) of which B.C.A. is now a member club, and data reported back to us as it is tabulated. (Dogs are identified only by a number, breed and age.)

Let's pull together to help our British cousins -- and in so doing, help to protect ourselves and our Briards.

Mary Lou Tingley

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Additional information on C.E.R.F., A.C.V.O. and P.R.A. is included in an article, "Eye Diseases" in the May 1976 issue of Pure-Bred Dogs, American Kennel Gazette.

ONLY AN EXAMINATION BY A DIPLOMAT OF ACVO IS ACCEPTED BY CERF. At the present time, there are only 37 of these eye specialists in the U.S. and Canada. The entire list follows. If you plan to have your Briard's eyes checked, make an appointment with the specialist nearest to you, or watch for news of an eye clinic in your area. Clinics are often sponsored by breed and all-breed clubs and are sometimes held in conjunction with a dog show. A Diplomat of ACVO examines the dogs.

DIPLOMATS OF THE AMERICAN COLLEGE OF VETERINARY OPHTHALMOLOGISTS

CALIFORNIA
Dr. Lewis H. Campbell, 396 First St., Los Altos, CA 94022
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**REPORT OF THE AKC DELEGATE**

The regular meeting of the Delegates to the AKC was held on June 8, 1976. The following business took place:

- An Amendment to the Constitution and By-Laws was adopted whereby an affirmative vote of 2/3 of the Delegates present and voting is required to elect a new Delegate. The former majority required was 4/5ths. My vote was affirmative.

- A proposed Amendment to the Dog Show Rules regarding exhibiting at shows where a judge who is a member of the exhibitor’s family or household is officiating but could not have the dog entered by the relative come under his or her judgement was voted upon. Following discussion the Delegates voted not to adopt the rule change. My vote was negative.

- Mr. Roy H. Carlberg, Executive Secretary, reported on the 1976 amendments to the Animal Welfare Act which were signed into law on April 22, 1976. These amendments are to be effective on July 22, 1976. The full text of his report appears on the facing page.

- Dog registrations and Litter registrations for the first 5 months of 1976 show increases when compared to the same period in 1975 as follows:

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Arthur M. Tingley

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**ANIMAL WELFARE ACT AMENDMENTS**

The 1976 amendments to the Animal Welfare Act were signed into law by President Ford on April 22, 1976. It is interesting to note that even though the law has been known as the Animal Welfare Act since the original passage in 1966, not until now, with the passage of these amendments, is the law officially titled, the Animal Welfare Act.

The amendments relate to the following areas:

1. It brings carriers and intermediate handlers of animals within the class of persons regulated under the Act and requires that they adhere to humane standards in the care and treatment of animals in transit.
2. The Act requires that a veterinarian’s health certificate be obtained before delivering any dog, cat or other animal for transportation in commerce, and that dogs, cats and other animals may not be transported at less than a minimum age established by the Secretary of Agriculture.
3. C.O.D. transportation of animals is prohibited under the Act unless the shipper guarantees payment of round-trip fare and any out-of-pocket expenses to the carrier or intermediate handler for care of animals not claimed at destination.
4. It extends the Secretary of Agriculture’s investigative authority to intermediate handlers and carriers and authorizes the imposition of fines for each violation of the standards of humane care, and
5. It makes it a federal offense to knowingly sponsor, participate in or use the mails to promote fights between live dogs or other mammals, except man.

Prior to the adoption of these amendments by both the House and the Senate, there was a great deal of apprehension voiced that, because of the new definition of the term “dealer” and the provisions necessitating licensing, just about every dog fancier would have to obtain a federal license, but this was clarified during the discussions of the Act on the floors of the House and Senate. In answer to a question concerning the need for hobby breeders to be licensed, Senator Lowell Weicker said “No, this legislation in no way affects the present status of the hobby breeders with respect to the licensing requirements of the Act. Section 3 of current law exempts from licensing requirements any person who derives less than a substantial portion of his income from the sale of dogs and cats bred and raised on his own premises. Legislative history on the floor of the House during deliberations on the 1966 act defined ‘substantial portion’ as 25 percent or greater. S.1941 does not alter this exemption. Any hobby breeder or other person who is not presently subject to the licensing requirements of the Act would not be subject to these requirements under S.1941”. (Congressional Record, April 7, 1976)

On may 25, 26, and 27, the Animal Plant Health Inspection Service of the Department of Agriculture held public meetings at the University of Maryland for the purpose of soliciting views and comments relating to the preparation of proposed rules to implement certain provisions of this Act. The areas covered concerned individual health certification of animals; the minimum age for animals transported by common carriers, and contractual arrangements with common carriers on C.O.D. shipments. It is the intent of the Department of Agriculture to finalize these regulations so that they will become effective with the Act on July 22, 1976.

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**PLAN NOW**

**FOR YOUR CHRISTMAS GREETING AD!**

Each year, the December issue of the DEW CLAW features Christmas and Holiday greeting ads from members and applicants. These ads are not only a delightful way to send your good wishes to others in the Club, they help to support the DEW CLAW.

Start planning your ads now. Take pictures, if you plan to include them, and help to make this December issue very special. The deadline for ads will be November 1st. A full page ad is $7.50, plus $1.00 per photo and a half page ad is $4.00, plus $1.00 per photo. The October DEW CLAW will include suggestions to help you with your ad.
SECRETARY'S PAGE

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Gregory & Sarah Booth, 3330 N. Dunlap, Arden Hills, MN 55112
Owners of Laurenden's Bridgette
Catherine Cline, 6700 20th St., Rio Linda, CA 95673
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Ben & Pamela Foster, 268 Mountain Rd., Wilton, CT 06897
Owners of Bellesprit LuluBelle
Ingemarie Gradell, Attetorpsvagen 34, 61600 Aby, Sweden
Owner of Zsa-Zsa, Bladslow Bacchus & Sarrow
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Louis & Deborah Scavo, 424 S. 43 St., Philadelphia, PA 19104
Owners of Esquire of Alpen
Elaine & Lester Sharlach, 592 Haviland Rd., Stanford, CT 06903
Owners of Celeste de Lisette

Secretary's Page, Applications - continued
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Owners of Tarteciel Joshua V. Gambey
Nancy York, Lakeview Terr., Box 254, Waconia, MN 55387
Owner of La Sottise Chien de Famille

ELECTION OF OFFICERS
No additional nominations for the Annual Election were received. The Nominating Committee's slate will therefore be declared elected at the time of the annual meeting and no balloting is required, in accordance with the By-Laws, Article IV, Section 4 (c). The slate of the Nominating Committee is: Pres., Mary Lou Tingley; Vice-Pres., Jayne Dubin; Sec., Diane McLeroth; Treas., Patti Curnow; Directors, Ed Konrath, Richard Long, and Harold Marley.

BOARD ACTION
Racine K.C., Racine Wisconsin was approved as the site for the 1977 Specialty. Mary Lou Tingley, Diane McLeroth, Patti Curnow, Ed Konrath, Richard Long and Harold Marley voted for Racine. Jayne Dubin voted for Mahoning-Shenango, Canfield, OH.
Jan Zingsheim was appointed by the Board as 1977 Specialty Chairman.

It was voted to select the '77 Specialty judge from the list of judges submitted by the membership.

TREASURER'S REPORT
May 1, 1976 - June 30, 1976

OPENING BALANCE
Checking $814.08
Savings 881.94
Charity Fund 997.01
$2,693.03

INCOME
Ear glue $17.00
Subscriptions 40.00
Applications 82.50
Dues 163.00
Ads 10.00
Stud Dog Ad 30.00
Brochures 37.75
Reinstatement 7.50
West. Trophies 235.00
East. Trophies 338.50
Rebate/Pontiac
K.C./'75 Spec. 74.00
Cash/'75 Spec. 49.25
$1,084.50

EXPENSES
Assorted printing costs $103.15
West. Spec. Expenses 6.50
Late bill/'75 Spec. 91.88
Sportsman Insurance 125.00
Balance of West. Spec. 57006
allowance to C. Cruz 233.00
June Dew Claw 292.72
East. Trophy donation to Jayne Dubin 338.50
$1,214.95

Operating Balance $2,693.03
Income + 1,084.50
$3,777.53
Expenses - 1,214.95
$2,562.58

Respectfully submitted by Patti Curnow

AUGUST 1976
PHYDEAU BRIARDS introduces

"NANIE DE LA HAUTE TOUR"

CHAMPION
NANIE DE LA HAUTE TOUR
1964 - 1976
It is disappointing to report the death at 12 years old of Ch. Nanie de la Haute Tour on July 4. Tawny Nanie was owned by Art and Mary Lou Tingley. In 1973, she was chosen Best of Opposite Sex at our Pennsylvania Specialty, taking the award from the Veteran class. At that time, her name appeared in the pedigrees of 26 of the 56 Briards present—one can only guess at the large number of Briards reflecting her lineage. Of course, in a breed like ours numbers are in themselves not valuable. It is the quality of Nanie's offspring which impresses. Her sire was Harry du Terroir, her dam Iadine de Maugrevent; she was French, bred by Mme. Gambier. I personally am particularly saddened by the loss of Nanie since, as in the case of so many BCA members, Nanie was the dog who introduced me to our intelligent, humorous, individual breed. Our sympathies to the Tingleys on the loss of a spectacular Briard.

New champions this spring include:

CH. AIGNER JAVELOT D'OR (Franco), a tawny male owned and bred by Regina Keiter, finished with 5 points under Mrs. Peggy Adamson, handled to his championship by Tom Keiter. He was sired by Ravel de Vaubresson and is out of Ch. Beau Cheval's Vent Vert. Franco was WD at Westminster Kennel Club in 1976. (The Keiters' puppy Phydeaux Linda Lovelace is starting well with two match Group 4 awards.)

CH. BELLESPRIT VELOURS (Vigor), a black bitch owned and bred by Jayne Dubin, also finished this spring. Vigor was sired by Ch. Pa Chick's Rebel Deux; her dam is Ch. Phydeaux Tallulah CD. She is a littermate of Ch. Bellespirit Vannille, whom Jayne regretfully lost this year.

CH. PHYDEAUX IRONSIDES (Burr), a tawny male owned and handled by Tracy Best, finished under judge Len Carey by taking Best of Winners at Greenwich June 15. Burr, bred by the Tingleys, is sired by Ch. Phydeaux Quoin de Cuivre and is out of Ch. Phydeaux Usheba des Bergers. Since Tracy is generally kept from showing Burr by school obligations, we were glad to see the pair in competition and winning.

CH. SAINT BRIARD'S JEALOUS E, owned and handled by Henry Collins, also finished recently. The tawny bitch is by Ch. Sultan D'Esprit out of Ch. Berry Brow's Samantha and was bred by Marlene Anderson and Fiphay Collins.

The Tingleys' Ch. Jennie d'el Pastre and the Collinses' Ch. Chateau-briard Vichyssoise each picked up several Group placements during the spring. Specific details were not supplied as of this writing.

Congratulations to all; by the time this is read, the new champs will have their BCA plaques to admire.

May 8 found Bill and Leila Rittmaster's two Briards, Peaches (Chateaubriard Jumpforjoy) and Bandit (Chateaubriard L'Oreal Un), representing the Pound Ridge Lions Club in a Walkathon. They sported orange sandwich signs sloganed "Briards Support Lions." Nine miles and six doughnuts later, the dogs turned over their supporters' checks, totaling $200—a nice day's work!

The New Yankee Briard Club is growing and held its first fun match and obedience trial on June 19 in New Jersey. Their newsletter is handled by Anne Cloesner (378 Beverly Road, Douglaston, New York 11363).
NEWS & VIEWS FROM THE MID-WEST

In a recent letter from Alice Bixler Clark, she informed me that on September 5th at the Essex County Kennel Club show in Leamington, Ontario there will be a Briard Booster Show. The judge will be Mr. Leslie Rogers. There will be rosettes for all top awards and a first prize in each regular class as well as reserve winners, best of winners, winners dog, winners bitch, best of opposite, best of breed and best puppy. This is a three show weekend in the same location all three days. Trophy donations and premiums can be obtained from Alice at the following address: 28 North Bedford Park Avenue, Toronto, Ontario, Canada. Phone - (416) 738-8885. It promises to be a fun weekend as we can vouch from past experience. Hope to see you there!

Sue Erickson tells me that subscriptions to the new North Central Briard Clubs newsletter "The French Connection" are available for $4.00 a year and it is published monthly (usually about six ditto pages). Contact Sue at 220 Elm Road, Coon Lake Beach, Wyoming, Minnesota 55092

We have four new champions to report, group placements and two C.D.'s.

Congratulations to the following happy owners -

CH. CALUMET'S JOKER J. - On 5/16/76 Joker finished his championship at the Oakland County Kennel Club under Mr. W. Ray Norsworthy by going W.D. & B.W. for 5 points. He is owned and handled by Sharon Werden.

CH. VIVA MAUDE CHEZ ROUGUES DE BRIE, C.D. - At the Grand Rapids Kennel Club Show on May 22nd Maude, owned and handled by Judith Ziozios, finished her championship.

CH. CHATEAUBRIARD JOKERS WILD - On 6/6/76 at the Tonawanda Valley Kennel Club under Mrs. Mary Lou Tingley, Jack finished his championship. He is owned and handled by Manny Littin.

CH. SILVERMOON'S LA TARA - 6/19/76 brought another champion to Judith Ziozios. At the Monroe Kennel Club under Mr. Gerhardt Plaga, Tara finished by going W.B. for 4 points and B.O.S.

Group Placements are next in line and the amazing Ch. Stonehill's I'm Henri owned by Bob & Gerry Acolyphus keeps stacking them up. Here are Henri's latest placements: 5/9/76 - Tri City KC - J R. Vandeverter - B.O.B. & Grp. 4; 5/15/76 - Oshkosh KC - J T. Gately - B.O.B. & Grp. 2; 5/16/76 - Winnemagie KC - J C. Hamilton - B.O.B. & Grp. 2; 6/5/76 - Lake Minnetonka KC - J Mrs. A. Seekins - B.O.B. - J R. Ward - Grp. 1; 6/6/76 - Land '0 Lakes KC - J R. Renihan - B.O.B. - J W. Heckman - Grp. 1.

Next are the Companion Dogs. We have two C.D.'s -


AM. & CAN. CH. PA'CHICK'S IMPRESARIO, C.D. - Imp, owned by Susan McCormick finished his C.D. at the Monroe KC show on 6/19/76.

Congratulations to all on their accomplishments and all the hard work that we know went into making these wins.

CH. JOLIE DE LA RIVETTE, C.D., owned by Richard & Mimi Long has added her name to the growing ranks of O.F.A. certified dogs. Jolie is number FB-51. Congratulations!

Jerry & Stephanie Katz are the proud parents of 14 (9 males - 5 bitches) bouncing, tawny Briard puppies. The pups are out of Ch. Uziz Akahanti de Strathcona by Ch. Uhey Chien de Grand Coeur.


Show Reports

5/15/76 - Ingham County KC - J Glen Sommers - e 3-6-3 - B.O.B. Ch. Pa'Chick's Impresario (Susan McCormick), W.D.B.W. 5 pts. Chateau-briard's Jokers Wild (Manny Littin), W.B. 5 pts., B.O.S. Era le D'or de Beaujolais (Virginia Schaefer)


5/30/76 - Ann Arbor KC - J Ellsworth Gamble - e 1-5-2 - B.O.B. Ch. Pa'Chick's Impresario, W.D., Pa'Chick's Livin' Beau, W.B. 4 pts., B.W., B.O.S. Era le D'or de Beaujolais

6/19/76 - Monroe KC - J Gerhardt Plaga - e 2-6-3 - B.O.B. Ch. Pa'Chick's Livin' Legend, W.D.B.W. 4 pts. Pa'Chick's Livin' Beau, W.B. 4 pts., B.O.S. Silvermoon's La Tara (Judith Ziozios)


Pat Long

NOTE ON NAILS: Stephanie Katz notes that her 14 Briard puppies have a total of 336 toe nails to clip. The Katz record time for clipping - 37 minutes with two people working!

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AUGUST 1976
The Golden West News & Views

Shirlee Kessler reports the following news of shows in Southern California.

Santa Ana Valley K.C. 4/25/76 - Judge, Mrs. Francis V. Crane
Entry 3/3/3
BOB: Ch. Capucine de Beauxjolis (Bob & Shirlee Kessler)
BOS: Ch. Desamee Aristotile (Don & Julie Norman)
WD & BOS: Egad la Bouche de Beauxjolis (Bob & Donna Benner) 2 pts.
WB: Coccinelle de Beauxjolis (Peter & Françoise Dunne) 2 pts.

Cabrillo K.C. 5/15/76 Judge: Mr. Richard Renihan
Entry 1/0/1
BOB: Ch. Capucine de Beauxjolis (Kessler)
BOS: Egad la Bouche de Beauxjolis (Benner)

Del Sur K.C. 5/16/76 Judge: Mr. Nicholas Kay
Entry 2/2/1
BOB: Ch. Capucine de Beauxjolis
WD & BOS: Egad la Bouche de Beauxjolis 1 point
WB & BOW: Landlyn's Amaryllis (Roland Taub, Carolyn Erickson & Dale Gourlie) 1 point

K.C. of Pasadena 5/30/76 Judge Theodore Gunderson
Entry 2/0/2
BOB: Ch. Desamee Aristotile
BOS: Ch. Capucine de Beauxjolis
WD: Baron d'Yquem de Chez Ciel (Bill Shipman) 1 point

Beverly Hills K.C. 6/20/76 Judge: Mr. Edward E. Stevenson
BOB: Ch. Capucine de Beauxjolis
WD & BOS: Elan de Beauxjolis (Jackie Drozinski) 1 point
WB & BOW: Landlyn's Amaryllis (Taub, Erickson & Gourlie) 1 point

Congratulations to new champion: Landlyn's Amaryllis!

News from Texas and the Southwest

Briarders in Texas and the Southwest are undaunted by the sparse Briard population. Pat Morale reports that Briards were out for four shows between mid-May and mid-June and the breed was represented at an all-breed exhibit in Houston.

Nolan River K.C. on May 16 saw an entry of 5 Briards, 3 dogs and 2 bitches. Judge, Isidore Schoenberg gave Winners Bitch, Best of Winners and Best of Breed to the Morale's Chateaubriard Justintime, CD. Winners Dog and Best of Opposite Sex went to Falichon de Beauxjolis, owned by Linda Prutt and Don Mandeville. Reserve Winners Dog was Excalibur of Alpen owned by Pat Morale and Reserve Winners Bitch was Evangelique de Beauxjolis owned by Linda. There were two points for each of the winners.

Only Matt and Pat Morale could attend the Denton K.C. show on June 6 but J. Dr. Richard Greathouse did have an entry of the Moarales two Briards.

At Palm Valley K.C. on June 19 things were very exciting for Briards and especially for the Morales. Their Chateaubriard Justintime not only took WB, BOW and Best of Breed, She went on to a WORKING GROUP III under Judge, Donald Booxbaum. Congratulations to Matt and Pat, and of course to "Daisy". Excalibur of Alpen was WD and BOS and Chateau-briard Verite, owned by Mr. & Mrs. David Jones was Reserve Winners Bitch.

On June 20, at Corpus Christi K.C., the "Lonestar State" presented j., Mr. James Bennet with the second Briard major in recent Texas history. Mr. Bennet gave the nod for WD, BOW and BOB to Richard Beatty's Phydeaux Wildfire for 3 points. WB and BOS was Chateaubriard Justintime, CD. The reserve dog was Falichon de Beauxjolis and the reserve bitch was Chateaubriard Verite.

Pru Heaney reports that Briards were represented in Houston at an all-breed showcase. Pru, Annie Lyon and Briards, "Brie" and "Reddi" were joined by Bob Lyon's Standard Poodle, "Marco" for the day. The proceeds from catalog sales of the all-breed exhibit went to the SPCA and Pru is pleased that several hundred Houstonians now can say they have seen a Briard.

Lynne and Stan Guy traveled from New Mexico with their Pa'Chick's Intermezzo, CD, to Colorado in June to find competition and meet other Briarders. Some of those entered that week were Lancelot Chien de Famille owned by Richard and Kathy Merz; Colby Ian de Beauxjolis, owned by Sandra and Jack Scott; Phillip Johnson's Rox of la Montagne; Mary Ake's Briollette de la Montagne; Ramayana de Saint Chermain owned by Eileen Myers; and Ch. Van's Magdalene de Beauxjolis owned by Ken Van Fleet.

Reports of the shows are incomplete but at S. Colorado K.C. on June 6, Larry Downey judged an entry of 5/2/1. Pa'Chick's Intermezzo, CD was WD for 4 points, WB and Best of Breed. WB and 1 point went to Ramayana de Saint Chermain and BOS went to Ch. Van's Magdalene de Beauxjolis.

On June 10 the entry was 3/1/0 under Mr. Nicholas Kay at the Elatlon K.C. show. Pa'Chick's Intermezzo, CD was WD for 2 points, BW and BOB. BOS and WB was Briollette de la Montagne. Reserve dog was Colby Ian de Beauxjolis owned by Sandra and Jack Scott.

Congratulations to all!!

PA'CHICK'S INTERMEZZO, CD owned by Stan & Lynne Guy is shown after taking Winners Dog and a 4 pt. major, Best of Winners and Best of Breed at the South. Colorado K.C. on 6/6/76. The judge is Larry Downey and the handler is Lynne.

BCA

AUGUST 1976
AUSTRALIAN TALES

BY SUSAN RODSTED

Well, 1975 saw the first Briards in the Australian show ring. We were ignored, mistaken for other breeds, mostly Afghans gone wrong, black O.E.S. and would you believe a PULI! Judges scrutinized tails and noses but never looked for the double dewclaw. When approached, many adopted the holier-than-thou attitude and just didn't want to know. They either loved or hated them. Brian Beveridge flew up to Sydney to put on a film night, which was very well publicized, but the judges were noticeable in their absence.

Not to be daunted, we decided to baffle them with numbers! The Briard population rose sharply when in January this year, Brian's Sally gave birth to 12 pups, sired by my Neptune. As if this wasn't enough, Desamee Etoile Bear (Hilda) gave birth to 12 puppies, while in quarantine making the grand total of Australian Briards thirty one! Let's see 'em ignore that!

It has been a hard year for us, as Emma, our first Briard and Australia's as well, had to be spayed to save her life. She had a pyometran infection. This is why Hilda arrived on the scene - a very hush-hush put up job between Nancy Tomlin and my husband! We had hoped to have Tripot too, but this was not to be. We felt that owing to his age, it would not be right to take him from people he loved. I think Nancy also regretted offering him!

We are hoping to send Neptune over to New Zealand to get his title there, but I love him so much that I hate the thought of him going. He has been doing so well in the show ring and is really our star performer.

It is time once more for the Royals. We have American judges both for Melbourne and Brisbane, so it should be interesting to see what they think of us. Well, that's all for now. My best wishes to Briards and their people!

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THE OTHER RING

BY STEPHANIE KATZ

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING:

CH. PA'CHICK'S IMPRESARIO, CD. "Imp" owned and handled by Sue McCormick finished his C.D. at Monroe K.C. with a 190 under J. Robert Noltie. His back-up show, the following day under J. Robert Christ brought him a 186½ for 4th place in his class.

CH. SYRE DU VAL DE REUIL, CD. "Syre" owned by Jan and Phil Zingsheim earned the third leg for his companion dog title at the Lake Minnetonka Kennel Club show on June 5. Handled by Jan, Syre finished the degree with a score of 192.

SILVERMOON'S LA JOIE DE VIVRE, CD owned by Roland and Christine Duval, completed his Canadian C.D. at the age of 10 months. This youngster will now try for his AKC C.D. beginning with the Specialty weekend.

Our "Umbi", Am & Can Ch. Umbi Chabiv de Strathcona, Am & Can C.D. has qualified for the "World Series of Dog Obedience." The World Series is a very exciting competition with the top obedience dogs from the U.S.A. and Canada competing for large prizes. It is possible for a dog and owner to walk away with over $500 in cash prizes. That should be sufficient incentive for all of us to work for top scores.

To be eligible in novice class, the dog must have had 3 scores toward a Canadian or AKC degree that average 195 or more. Unfortunately the event will be held the same weekend as the B.C.A. Specialty so Umbi will not participate.

All of us extend our sympathies to Jan and Phil Zingsheim on the death of Angel", American & Canadian Champion Rochelle de Marha, U.D. Angel was a beautiful Briard, who made history by not only having completed her championship in two countries, but by earning her Utility degree. This made her the most titled Briard in U.S. history.

The Zingsheims are graciously offering the "Zingsheim Challenge Trophy" to honor angel's memory. It will be awarded annually to the Briard completing an obedience degree with the highest combined score.

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ILLOTE DU LAC DE BETMALE was awarded two majors, one week apart. She is shown taking 5 pts. under J. Dr. Malcom E. Phelps at Toledo on 4/25/76. The following week she took a 3 pt. major under Mrs. J.K. Owens at Ft. Wayne. "Lotti" is co-owned by Manny Littin and Susan Alexander and handled by Manny.

PA'CHICK'S LUVIN' BEAU owned by Duane & Dawn Laczkowski was handled to a 5 point major by breeder Pat Long at the Toledo K.C. show on 4/25/76. Beau was awarded Winners Dog & Best of Winners by J. Dr. Malcolm Phelps.
Lary de la Haute Tour
Ch. Nestor de Vasouy
L'Ange de Vasouy
Ch. Froud Rebel de Marha
Haro de Vasouy
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Jamine du Val du Mutilien

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CH. BELLESPRIT FILLE VENDREDI

Ch. Ike de Vasouy
Ch. Phydeaux Quoin de Cuivre
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A PUPPY'S-EYE-VIEW OF DOG SHOWS

BY "CHICO"

Gee whiz! Here comes Ma with that funny string she ties around my neck and a whole pocketful of goodies!! Wonder what funny game we're going to play today? Will it be musical legs? She places one and I move three, or maybe we'll get to run in circles and I can attack her pant legs!

Hey, something new. Into the truck and my crate and we're going for a ride. Seems like it's taking forever Ma and I gotta make a potty stop!!!!

Well, we must be here...Boy, I've never seen so many dogs! And listen to all that barking...how come they can make all that noise?

Here we go again, off on my funny string. Look! There's somebody like me...let's go visit. Gee, how come I gotta stand still. You're gonna brush my hair right off!!! I can't help it if it sticks straight up in the air. Can I sit down, I've got an itch...

Finally, here we go into a big fenced-in pen with a strange man in the middle. Ma says I gotta stand still, so she keeps stuffing me with goodies...that is after we play musical legs, with a kiss added for good measure. Who are all those people staring at me? Here comes that strange man...wonder what he wants. Oh, Oh! He's messing up my hair and poking me in the eyes. Ma sure is going to be mad after all that brushing. Ouch! He's squeezing my nose! Of course I've got teeth! Oh, that feels better, scratch a little to the left, please. How come he's pulling my tail? Ma, he's tickling my feet. What's he looking for, Ma, he sure has COLD hands! Hurray!!! We get to run some more...three bounces, one hop...look at that butterfly. That man is doing the same thing to those other two guys. They don't seem to like it either. Look at them squirm.

Here we go running in a circle! Hey, Ma, how come you're crying? Was I bad? What's that big blue thing you're waving around? Did you say double cookies tonight!! Hey, maybe this new game isn't half bad after all!!!

SHORT, SHORT STORIES

MISUNDERSTANDING - Evy Wegienka was concerned because her young Briard would raise his exuberant tail too high in the show ring. A well-intended friend suggested she teach the dog to lower the tail on the command "Tail down". Evy tried the command, but the only word her Briard (who was also obedience trained) heard was "Down". Needless to say, not only the tail but the entire dog went "Down". Evy reports that the command has been changed to "Tail" to avoid further confusion.

PROTECTIVE CUSTODY - Donna and Walter Watts' 2 1/2 year old son set out for a walk alone when his sister left the front door unlatched. Gus, the family Briard, spotted the youngster from the back yard and jumped a 4 foot fence to accompany the boy on his journey. A short time later Donna received a call from her concerned neighbor. It seems she noticed the boy and his normally loveable Briard and tried to lift the youngster into her fenced yard until his mother could be contacted. Gus would not hear of it and formidably planted himself between boy and neighbor, remaining there until Donna arrived on the scene.

PASSIVE RESISTANCE - Sue Erickson reports that her Salty may have read "Neat Feet" in the Feb. DEW CLAW. Salty spent at least a week about that time with her front feet neatly trimmed and her back feet overgrown. Every time she spotted Sue with the scissors, she would retreat under the bed and crouch in such a way as to wedge herself tightly between bedsprings and floor. Sue did not say if the feet are now trimmed.

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PROGRESSIVE RETINAL ATROPHY

(From Laboratory Report Series 2, No. 2, May 1972 of Cornell Research Laboratory for Diseases of Dogs.)

In recognition of the susceptibility of the eye to disease and the necessity to know cause of any disorder so that preventive measures can be taken, the Seeing Eye Foundation of Morristown, NJ established in 1970 the Seeing Eye Division of the Cornell Research Laboratory for Diseases of Dogs under the direction of Dr. Stephen Bistner. Then in 1971, Dr. Gustavo Aguirre joined Dr. Bistner. These two veterinary ophthalmologists qualified for this specialty by studying veterinary medicine, then further studying the eye exclusively. Dr. Bistner became an ophthalmologist at Stanford University and Dr. Aguirre at the Wilmer Eye Institute of Johns Hopkins University. They have prepared this report and will be doing other reports in the series.

What is Progressive Retinal Atrophy?

Progressive retinal atrophy is a general term describing hereditary retinal degenerations that affect several breeds of dogs. These diseases have been subdivided into generalized progressive retinal atrophy or PRA, and central progressive retinal atrophy, or CPRA. As the names suggest, PRA affects the entire retina while CPRA affects, at least initially, the central retina which is the area of best vision. As the dog ages, the retina is increasingly affected, becoming thinner in the process and losing a major portion of the cells of which it is comprised (atrophy). The disease progresses until cellular loss is sufficient to produce blindness, hence the term progressive retinal atrophy. If we compare the eye to a photographic camera, the film (retina) has deteriorated sooner than expected and no longer serves the function of light perception.

What Causes Progressive Retinal Atrophy?

PRA is considered to be a defect caused by a recessive gene that fits simple mendelian inheritance. The gene for a normal retina is dominant. Retinal development, therefore, is controlled by a pair of genes called an allele with one coming from the mother and the other coming from the father. Being dominant for normal, retinal development will be normal whenever both genes are normal (homozygous allele) or when one is normal and the other the recessive (heterozygous allele). PRA can occur only in a dog whose allelic pair of genes is homozygous for the retinal defect. Thus a homozygous allele for normal in both parents is ideal, leading to no PRA and no gene for PRA is transmitted to offspring. If a homozygous allele in both parents is recessive, then all offspring will have PRA, and the breeder knows there is trouble. If bred, homozygous recessive parents will transmit this recessive to all offspring. Complexity occurs when one parent has a homozygous normal pair and the other has a heterozygous pair. While all offspring will be normal, the gene for PRA has been introduced and heterozygous alleles occur. If both parents are heterozygous then some of their puppies will have PRA (1/4) while others will be heterozygous and appear normal (1/2) and the remainder will be homozygous dominant (1/4) for a ratio of 1:2:1. This ratio will allow test matings that can select breeders that are homozygous normal. In a test for homozygous normal, if the mating is made to a known affected dog and produces only normal offspring, the test dog is homozygous normal. If any offspring shows PRA, then the breeder being tested is a carrier.

Like PRA, CPRA may be inherited as a recessive trait, although some investigators feel that, in some breeds a dominant form of inheritance is present. As a dominant disease, all CPRA affected dogs have either one or two CPRA genes. Those with two genes will transmit the disease to all their offspring, while those with only one CPRA gene will transmit this trait or disease to only one-half of their offspring.

What Breeds are Affected by PRA?

PRA is widespread. In the United States, it is recognized most commonly in Poodles and Norwegian Elkhounds, Irish Setters, Yorkshire Terriers, Cocker Spaniels, and Collies are also affected. Sporadic cases are found in almost any breed. CPRA, on the other hand is found primarily in the working breeds, such as the Labrador and Golden Retrievers, as well as the Shetland Sheep Dog. As with PRA, any breed can be affected.

What Are the Signs of Progressive Retinal Atrophy?

The retina is composed of two different light sensors called receptors. The rods, as one type is called, function primarily in dim light and are responsible for visual performance in very dim or reduced light, termed night vision. The cones, as the other group is called, function best in bright light, and allow the dog to have daytime vision.

In PRA, the rods, or sensors for night vision, become nonfunctional first, which makes the dog night blind. Although the term "night blindness" is used synonymously with PRA, the two terms are not the same, for in PRA the dog's day vision eventually deteriorates, resulting in complete blindness.

Norwegian Elkhounds affected with PRA become night blind at a very young age, but affected Poodles do not show any deficiency in their night vision until they are two, three, or even four years of age. Regardless of the breed, affected dogs will become completely blind. This happens in Irish Setters by one year of age, in Norwegian Elkhounds usually by three to four years of age, and in Poodles by five to seven years. In addition, Poodles affected with PRA may develop opacities of the lens, called cataracts, which may result in earlier loss of vision.

Dogs with cataracts have a dense opaque white structure within the lens and this cataract eliminates the normal "eyeshine" of the dog's eye.

Dogs affected with CPRA are able to see moving objects because movement of an object stimulates the normal peripheral visual fields. It is only when the object becomes stationary that the dog is unable to locate it. This is well demonstrated with gun dogs who are able to follow the bird to the ground but are not able to find it once the bird is on the ground.

How is PRA Diagnosed?

There are three methods of evaluating dogs for retinal atrophy. The first and simplest is to observe the behavior of the dog as it maneuvers through a simple obstacle course. This should be performed under normal room lighting and under extremely dim illumination as well. This is the simplest method, but it is also the most inaccurate and lacks objectivity. It enables one, however, to identify some PRA affected Irish Setters and Norwegian Elkhounds at a relatively young age. A simple obstacle course probably is not sufficiently useful for accurate diagnosis of dogs affected with CPRA.

PRA continued

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PRA continued

By the use of a special instrument, the ophthalmoscope, to view the retina and observe the very subtle changes that take place in the retinas of affected dogs, a veterinary eye specialist is able to diagnose PRA and CPRA. This method is extremely accurate, and PRA can be diagnosed in Irish Setters by six months of age, Norwegian Elkhounds by two to three years of age, and Poodles by four to seven years of age. Diagnosis of dogs affected with CPRA is possible by one to two years of age.

The problem with ophthalmoscopy is that, with the exception of Irish Setters, one is not able to diagnose affected animals before they reach the age of breeding. This increases, therefore, the possibility of further dissemination of undesirable PRA or CPRA genes and results in the subsequent increase in frequency of the disease. One of the major problems to the interested breeder is early detection of affected dogs. A method for early detection could allow the breeder to avoid the difficulties and expenses of finishing what eventually may be a useless dog, and allows the breeder to withdraw such a dog from a breeding program. Although early detection would not eradicate the disease, since the mating of carriers would produce affected pups, it should lessen significantly the frequency of such matings.

It is possible to identify dogs affected with PRA at a very young age. The test is called the electroretinogram, or ERG, and it is a record of the response of the retina to stimulation with light. To record the ERG the dog is anesthetized, a special contact lens is placed on the dog's eye, and the contact lens is connected to a recording machine. The dog is kept in the dark; and, using a specially constructed light, the light is flitted toward the dog's eye for an instant. If the retina still is able to react, the recording machine will display the result, the ERG. This procedure is painless for the dog, takes 20 to 30 minutes, and is no more dangerous than routine anesthesia. In all cases, the results are definitive.

Investigators in England have been able in this way to diagnose PRA affected Irish Setters by four weeks of age, and in the Seeing Eye Foundation Laboratory of the Cornell Research Laboratory for Diseases of Dogs, we are able to diagnose PRA in Norwegian Elkhounds by six weeks of age and in Miniature Poodles by ten weeks of age.

Can Progressive Retinal Atrophy be Treated?

At the present time, there is no known treatment for dogs with PRA or CPRA. Although vitamin A has been advocated by several individuals, it does not arrest or cure this progressive retinal disease, and the potential toxic side effects produced by excessive vitamin A do not warrant the use of this vitamin other than in normal amounts.

Can Progressive Retinal Atrophy be Prevented?

Because the PRA group of diseases is recessively inherited, affected dogs should not be used for breeding. Moreover, the parents of an affected dog, as well as all of its offspring, should never be used for breeding because each will have at least one and possibly two PRA genes. Known carrier dogs must not be used for breeding for they will disseminate further this unwanted gene through a vast segment of the canine population.

Selective breeding of known normal dogs and the culling-out of affected dogs should be attempted by breeders if eradication of the disease is desired. Eradication of PRA from a breed is possible; and, by using these methods, in addition to test breeding suspect males to known females, PRA nearly has been eradicated from the Irish Setter in England.

THE FOLLOWING GUIDELINES FOR THE PREVENTION OF PRA AND CPRA ARE SUGGESTED.

A. General

1. Have your veterinarian examine any dog with visual difficulty.

B. Specific

1. Ophthalmoscopic examination of susceptible breeds of dogs should be performed by a veterinary ophthalmologist. This examination should be made by six months of age in Irish Setters, one to two years of age in Retrievers, two to three years of age in Norwegian Elkhounds, and four to six years of age in Poodles.

2. The progeny and the parents of dogs known to be affected should not be used for breeding.

3. Dogs suspected of being carriers should be test bred to dogs known to be affected, and the progeny examined. Only by such test breeding will carriers be identified.

4. The advantage of electroretinography in the very early detection of PRA affected dogs should be utilized to its full capacity. This test will also be of extreme value in evaluating progeny of suspected carriers when test breedings are performed.

Plans for the Future

At The Cornell Research Laboratory for Diseases of Dogs work will continue on the cause of retinal degenerations. Because the retina is the most vulnerable structure in the eye, therefore subject to infectious disease, to disease of genetic origin, and to drug effect, the cause will be determined.

The ERG unit has been shown to be successful in diagnosing PRA at an early age. Wherever it is available, breeders can take advantage of this method of diagnosis. Under construction is a prototype ERG unit that will be tested for application to larger numbers of dogs.

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HOW DOES PRA BEGIN IN A BREED?

According to Dr. Ralph Vierheller, noted canine eye specialist and Diplomat of the American College of Veterinary Ophthalmologists, the disease is believed to begin with the mutation of the gene for normal eyes to the recessive gene for PRA.

The gene for PRA must be paired with a like form for PRA before the disease is produced. The mutant gene can remain hidden for many generations and can be passed on to many descendants before it is paired with a like form, producing PRA. It could then be several more years before the symptoms are recognized and diagnosed. By this time it is possible to have many carriers in the breed.

The sooner the PRA gene is discovered, the better the chances of combating it. The B.C.A. owes a debt of gratitude to the British Briard Club for alerting us to this problem. By this gesture, they have shown their sincere concern for the well-being of the Briard throughout the world.

AUGUST 1976
THE FARRIERY

Hot Spots (researched by Brenda Burton and Mercer Field)

Skin problems have commonly been reported on the BCA Medical Questionnaires. Hot spots are one of the most easily diagnosed and treated conditions, although untreated they become quite serious.

Hot spots are a form of dermatitis (inflammation of the skin) and are also called summer eczema or fungus eczema. The spots tend to appear on the legs and about the hindquarters, which suggests that they are not caused by allergy to flea bites (since fleas migrate toward the dog's neck). Arctic dogs have been seen with hot spots, and some dogs suffer this irritation in winter as well as during warm, damp weather.

Flea-bite allergy may cause a dog to scratch and bite at the skin, opening a sore spot which then becomes infected with fungus spores. As the raw, bleeding area rapidly enlarges, infection spreads. This condition is a hot spot. (Naturally, if fleas are seen on the dog, they must be eliminated and the house and kennel treated.)

Some Briards have scratched the coat out and opened raw wounds within only a few hours. It is vital that you be aware of your dog's skin condition. The dog should be groomed frequently so that air reaches the skin and so that you can easily spot parasites, mange, infection, sores or allergic reactions. Bathing a dog too frequently, particularly with the agent hexachlorophene, has been blamed as one cause of eczema (we do not generally recommend bathing Briards).

Vitamine deficiencies, food allergies, hormonal imbalance or thyroid abnormalities have also been blamed for canine skin problems. The intense localized itching of hot spots can be treated by adding linolenic or linoleic acids to the diet, certain amino acids and unsaturated fatty acids as well as vitamins (a well balanced diet is good preventive medicine). The dog should also be given antihistamines or steroids to decrease the allergic reaction. A veterinarian should prescribe the specific antihistamine or steroid and its dosage -- do not take this responsibility yourself.

Topical ointments containing corticosteroids and antibiotics are also helpful in reducing inflammation. Panalog is an ointment commonly recommended for use on open sores and mild irritations. A&D ointment is similar in function (if your vet approves, it is cheaper too).

Fungi are remarkably effective in treating hot spots, particularly in conjunction with steroid treatments. Some people think the dog with hot spots should not be allowed to roll in grass, in order to prevent spreading the fungal infection or picking up additional spores. It is thought that some slight weakening of the skin is a factor in developing hot spots since the fungal infection does not attack all dogs.

Hot spots, in summary, are an infected area of the skin which becomes raw and intensely itches. A hot spot spreads rapidly and can cause loss of coat as well as serious infection if untreated. Treatment includes internal dosage of steroids and antihistamines as well as topical ointments containing fungicides. Dietary supplements are recommended. Hot spots can be quickly cured and should be (steroids, etc. should not be used as long-term flea control -- be sure your dog does not have fleas before diagnosing other dermatitis).

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Medical Committee News

Our June herding seminar was a great success; many thanks to Mimi Long, Jan and Phil Zingsheim (extraordinary hosts), Frances Taylor and Bob Boelter (our photographer) -- along with all others who attended and helped with the project. It was self-supporting and garnered us a donation for our medical-research library. There will be more on this event in a separate, illustrated article later. For now, thanks!
CHAMPION OF RECORD

CHAMPION PA'CHICK'S LIVIN' LEGEND (dog)

Owners: Charles & Patricia Long
Breeders: Owners

Championship: May 2, 1976

Whelped: August 9, 1975

Sire: Am. & Can. Ch. Pa'Chick's Impresario, CD
Dam: Am. & Can. Ch. Reine des Elfes de Malouse

(Ch. Proud Rebel de Marha X Am. & Can. Ch. Pa'Chick's Unchained Melody)

Judge: Mrs. H. Johannah Kench Owen
Handled by owner

CHAMPION CALUMET'S JOKER J. (dog)

Owner: Sharon Werden
Breeder: Fran Volkman

Championship: May 16, 1976

Whelped: September 26, 1974

Sire: Ch. Ralph des Elfes de Malouse, CD
Dam: Am. & Can. Ch. Pa'Chick's Tawny T.

(Odon-Desire des Elfes de Malouse X Maia-Mopti des Elfes de Malouse)

Judge: Mr. Ray Norsworthy
Handled by owner

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J' Y SUIS DE CHARLEMAGNE, C.D. (dog)

Owners: Jayne & Steve Feller  Breeder: Charles Vetrone
Companion Dog Degree: May 16, 1976
Whelped: November 22, 1974

Sire: Ch. Uto d'El Pastre  Dam: Ch. Vony de la Plaine Saint
(Quycke de la Petite Suisse du Nord X Sandre d'El Pastre)
Quassus d'El Pastre X Sandra de la Plaine Saint Just)

CHAMPION VIVA MAUDE CHEZ ROGUES DE BRIE, CD (bitch)

Owner: Judith Ziozios  Breeder: Barbara Zimmerman
Championship: May 22, 1976
Whelped: November 18, 1972

Sire: Ch. Umbi Chabiv de Strathcona, CD  Dam: La Melissa Chez Chien Velu
(Ch. Tres Bien Chez Rogues de Brie X G'Veret Kahlbah de Strathcona CDX)

Judge pictured: Ray Norsworthy
Handled by Stephanie Katz and
Owner

BREEDER: Barbara Zimmerman
Owner: Judith Ziozios
(Ch. Matador Chez Phydeau, CD X Ch. Arlette de Grand Pieds C.D.)
CHAMPION OF RECORD

CHAMPION BELESPRIT VELOURS (bitch)

Owner: Jayne Dubin
Breeder: Gerald Dubin

Championship: May 23, 1976
Whelped: December 3, 1972

Sire: Ch. Pa'Chick's Rebel Deux
(Daughter of Ch. Proud Rebel de Marha X Pa'Chick's Esmarelda)

Dam: Ch. Phydeaux Tallulah, CD
(Ch. Phydeaux Quoin de Cuivre X Ch. Phydeaux Poupée de Marha)

Judge: H. Johanna Kench Owen
Handled by owner

CHAMPION PHYDEAUX IRONSIDE (dog)

Owner: Tracy Lee Best
Breeder: Mary Lou Tingley

Championship: June 5, 1976
Whelped: April 7, 1973

Sire: Ch. Phydeaux Quoin de Cuivre
(Ch. Ike de Vasouy X Ch. Nanie de la Haute Tour)

Dam: Ch. Phydeaux Usheba des Berger
(Ch. Sire de la Briardier X Ch. O'Tresor de Vasouy)

Judge: Mr. Len Carey
Handled by owner

AUGUST 1976
CHAMPION CHATEAUBRIARD JOKERSWILD (dog)

Owner: Manny Littin
Breeder: Ken & Cece Collins

Championship: June 6, 1976
Whelped: July 11, 1974

Sire: Ch. Pythias Chez Phydeau
Dam: Ch. Chateaubriard Vichysoisse
(Ch. Matador Chez Phydeau, CD
X Ch. Nanie de la Haute Tour)

Judge: Mary Lou Tingley
Handled by owner

CHAMPION SILVERMOON'S LA TARA (bitch)

Owner: Judith Ziozios
Breeder: Owner

Championship: June 19, 1976
Whelped July 2, 1975

Sire: Vin Marque de Grand Coeur
Dam: Ch. Viva Maude Chez Rogues de Brie, CD
(Ch. Pa'Chick's Rebel Deux X
Ch. Saucy Sally Chez de Benaderet)

Judge: Mr. Gerhardt Plaga
Handled by owner

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1 can of (Pet) evaporated milk (13 oz size)
2 egg yolks (you can freeze egg whites!)
1 tablespoon cream
1 tablespoon honey
3 cups boiling water

Dissolve gelatin, add boiling water and stir well. Add milk and honey. Stir in beaten egg yolks and cream.

PUPPY NUTRITIOUS FORMULA (Gourmet magazine). Omit boiling water and add ½ tsp. salt. Beat the 2 egg whites until stiff, add 2 tablespoons of dark rum and fold into custard mixture. Pour into a graham cracker crust, top with whipped cream, also beaten with 2 tablespoons of rum and chill for at least 30 minutes before serving. VOILA! Puppy formula for people! Stephanie suggests that a garnish of shaved chocolate or flaked coconut would add a superb touch...for people, of course.

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