Three regional specialties were held and, based upon the number of entries at all three, it looks like the Briard people want and will support regionals. Information was provided to me for Detroit and Old Dominion. Since these are our first regionals, it looks like I'm setting the basic guidelines (the board can, of course, change if unacceptable) for publication of regional specialty information in the DewClaw. The following information, which must be provided by the Regional Specialty Show Committee, will be published: listing - first place and winners, photos - winners and candid, and articles - judges critiques and other specialty. Photo publication will be determined by the amount of space available in that issue of the DewClaw. If I need to fill space, I will publish more!

August is fast approaching and with it the National Specialty. Limited information on the National is provided in this issue since the premium list was sent to each member and more information will be sent in BoardBriefs. If you need more information, contact Marsha Clamp, the Specialty Chairman.

Thanks to those who heard my plea and sent in photos.

This issue is composed of the balance of the OFA article, several letters to the editor, information on the regional specialties at Detroit and Old Dominion and the National Specialty.

Please note - the deadline for the Fall issue is changed from October 1 to September 15 and will be delayed only for receipt of the Specialty photos. My late boss had a favorite saying posted by his doorway "Poor planning on your part does not create an emergency on my part." As with any editor, each issue is put together well before the deadline. The deadline for the Winter issue will be moved forward so that it can be mailed before the Holidays.

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*** Changes since last issue.
The weekend of March 13, 1993 will long be remembered. Not only did the east coast experience the "storm of the century", but it was the occasion of the first BCA Regional Specialty, hosted by the Michigan-Ohio Briard Club. While many were bracing against the storm, those of us in Detroit were enjoying the warm hospitality of the members of the MO-BC and the comraderie of Briarders from 13 states plus Canada.

Many people volunteered their time, talents and hard work to make the Detroit Specialty a wonderful event. Thanks to Carol Santa Maria who was a superb show chair and to her many committee members: Jack and Jan Wynne, Mark Santa Maria, Karen MacDonald, LeAnn Robinson and Alan Zsido, Kathy and Mark McCray, Fran Valleby, Tom Moczulski and Margaret Fronczak, Jerry Katz and Karen Trueman. Thanks also to the MO-BC members for their home cooked buffet that ran from 7 AM until after judging.

Special thanks to the artists who contributed beautiful Briard art all to be used as trophies, Jan Charbonneau, Terry Miller (and myself) and to our commissioned artists, Karen Kolesar and Claire Roberts. 206 trophies were offered, our total entry was 116. Thanks to the many contributors to our raffles.

We owe a special thanks to our Breed judge, Anna Mae Forsberg, our Sweepstakes judge, Sue Erickson and our Obedience Trial judges, Jackie Rowe and Don Hudson.

From the comments we’ve received, a good time was had by all. Mark your calendars for Saturday March 12, 1994 (pending BCA & AKC approval) and come to Detroit for old fashioned Midwest hospitality and a wonderful Regional Specialty.
VETERANS SWEEPSTAKES CLASSES, Judge: Mrs. Susan Erickson

Veterans, 7-9 Years Dogs, CH. Beardsanbrow V D'Occasion CD,
Donna Matey & Dave Behrens & Jan Charbonneau

Veterans, 11 Years and Over Dogs, CH. Manny's Rippin Pippin,
S Cassaubon & M D Littin

Veterans, 7-9 Years Bitches, CH. Amourelle de Bejaune,
Meg W Weitz & Michael Greenberg

Veterans, 9-11 Years Bitches, CH. U Know Mielleux de Bonheur CD,
Diane R Royce

Veterans, 11 Years and Over Bitches,
CH. Bet-Cha I Am Sadi de Strathcona, Barbara T McQuillan

BEST VETERAN IN SWEEPSTAKES (7 YEARS AND UNDER 9 YEARS),
CH. Beardsanbrow V D'Occasion CD

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BEST JUNIOR IN SWEEPSTAKES
HONIE DE LA PECHE DE BEJAUNE
Breeders/Owners: Meg W Weitz & Michael Greenberg

BEST OPPOSITE JUNIOR IN SWEEPSTAKES
HARLEY DAVIDSON DE BEJAUNE
Breeders: Meg W Weitz and Michael Greenberg
Owners: Tommy & Merry Jeanne Millner
REGULAR CLASSES, Judge: Miss Anna Mae Forsberg

Puppy, 6 to 9 Months Dogs, Chaotic's High Voltage, Shirley Newby

Puppy, 9 to 12 Months Dogs, Harley Davidson de Bejaune, Tommy & Merry Jeanne Millner

Bred by Exhibitor Dogs, Giamatti de Bejaune, Meg W Weitz & Michael Greenberg

Open, Black Dogs, Manny's Gambler, Manny D Littin

Open, Tawny Dogs, Bon Ton's Gallant Knight, Karen R MacDonald

WINNERS DOG Harley Davidson de Bejaune

RESERVE Bon Ton Gallant Knight 11 DOGS

Puppy, 6 to 9 Months Bitches, Jodash Haulin Hair by Chaotic, Jody & David Duda and Shirley Newby

Puppy, 9 to 12 Months Bitches, Deja Vu Horsefeathers, Terry Miller

12 to 18 Months Bitches, Bigtree Bedlam's Hell'N Black, Shirley Newby

Bred by Exhibitor Bitches, Bigtree Bedlam Holly Winter, Barbara M Lynch

American-Bred Bitches, Glendrovers Gena de Brylin, Janise Wynne

Open, Black Bitches, Bigtree-Bedlam's Grampa's Girl, Jan West

Open, Tawny Bitches, Ne Orageux Habile Affaire B, William Weber & Rebecca L Weber

WINNERS BITCH Ne Orageux Habile Affaire B

RESERVE Deja Vu Horsefeathers 24 BITCHES
Veteran Dogs.

CH. Beardsanbrow V D'Occasion,
Donna Matey & Dave Behrens & Jan Charbonneau

Veteran Bitches.

CH. Amourelle de Bejaune, Meg W Weitz & Michael Greenberg

Best of Breed Competition.

BEST OF BREED  CH. Fokine Dimyon de Strathcona,
Jerome & Stephanie Katz

BEST OF WINNERS  Harley Davidson de Bejaune

BEST OF OPPOSITE SEX  CH. Gilada de Bejaune,
Meg W Weitz & Michael Greenberg

Stud Dog.

CH. Dijon D'Occasion CD, Janet G Wall

Brood Bitch.

CH. Bat Dor de Strathcona, Jerome & Stephanie Katz

Brace.

Giamatti de Bejaune and CH. Gilada de Bejaune,
Meg W Weitz & Michael Greenberg

Obedience.

Novice A, Cloud Caps Magic Dream, Sheila A Kahler, 184.0

BEST OF BREED

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CLOUD CAPS MAGIC DREAM
Owner: Sheila A Kahler
ROLE OF THE ORTHOPEDIC FOUNDATION FOR ANIMALS IN THE CONTROL OF CANINE HIP DYSPLASIA

by E. A. Corley, DVM, PhD
(Continued)

From the Orthopedic Foundation for Animals, Columbia, Missouri

Environmental Influence

No environmental factor has been shown to cause CHD, but some factors may affect the genetic expression of CHD.

Breeders with more than one breed of dogs, that are raised the same, fed the same, and so forth, have noted a difference in frequency of CHD between the breeds. Breeders with one breed of dogs of two or more different genetic lines have noted a difference in frequency of CHD between the genetic lines.

No dietary supplement, such as megadoses of Vitamin C, or selenium, has been found to be effective as a control or preventative of CHD. Caloric intake during the rapid bone growth phase may exacerbate (higher than normal caloric intake) or mask (lower than normal caloric intake) the radiographic appearance of CHD.¹

The radiographic evaluation may be influenced by a number of factors, which may account for some of the phenotypic variations that are noted. Anesthesia, estrus, level of physical activity, and age are factors that may affect the magnitude of radiographic subluxation caused by joint laxity.¹

Some dogs under general anesthesia may exhibit a degree of hip subluxation that is not noted when the same dog is re-evaluated without anesthesia. Repeat studies at a later age on many of these dogs usually reveals further evidence of CHD such as remodeling, eburnation, or degenerative joint disease.¹ ² Currently, chemical restraint to the point.
of muscular relaxation is recommended by the OFA for evaluation of the hip status.

A few bitches exhibit some degree of subluxation when in season that is not noted when the bitch is re-evaluated out of season. For this and radiobiologic reasons, the OFA recommends that a bitch not be radiographed during estrus. It is advisable to make the study 1 month before or 1 month after estrus.

Physical inactivity because of illness, weather, or the owner's management practices also may result in some degree of subluxation. The OFA recommends evaluation when the dog is in good physical condition.

The age of the dog at the time of evaluation also must be considered, because CHD is a developmental disease. In a forthcoming study by the OFA on a population of Portuguese Water Dogs, age differences at the time of radiography were noted to account for approximately 1.6% of the phenotypic variation in the population.

Differences in positioning, such as, pelvic rotation, femurs not placed parallel, or stifles not rotated inwardly, is a major cause for phenotypic variation within a population. These factors give rise to legitimate questions concerning the meaning of the finding of subluxation due to joint laxity, whether determined radiographically or by palpation. Virtually all dogs appear to have some degree of joint laxity; at what point this becomes abnormal in a given breed is yet to be determined. Some young and some mature dogs with joint laxity develop radiographically normal hips, and at necropsy, their hips are also normal. Others with relatively tight hips may develop radiographic and necropsy changes associated with CHD. The issues of joint laxity and stress radiography were raised in the 1960s, and a number of recent reports on these issues provide some answers and raise other questions. Therefore, the OFA recommends caution in diagnosis of CHD based solely on joint laxity unless the laxity is extreme.

### Progress in Reducing CHD in the OFA Population

A comparison of the frequency of CHD between dogs born between 1981 and 1988 with those born between 1972 and 1980 is presented in Table 3. The data are from evaluations of 24 breeds with 1000 or more dogs evaluated in each of the time periods. The evaluations were from studies performed between January 1, 1974 and May 1, 1991. The Australian Shepherd Dog is not recognized by the American Kennel Club, and all Poodles are grouped under one breed by AKC; therefore, no registration data for these breeds is reported.

A reduction in frequency of CHD by more than 10% was found in 14 of the 24 breeds and ranged from a reduction of 10.9% in the Brittany to 40.5% in the English Setter. Five of the 24 breeds reduced in frequency of CHD by less than 10% and ranged from a reduction of 2.9% in the Rottweiler to 9.3% in the German Shorthaired Pointer.

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**Table 3. Comparison of Frequency of Excellent and Dysplastic Phenotypes in Breeds with 1000 or More Evaluations**

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Some dogs (2.58%) that received a dysplastic preliminary evaluation later received a normal OFA consensus. In most of these dogs, the primary reason for the preliminary dysplastic evaluation was evidence of subluxation, probably as a result of joint laxity.

Some dogs (8.49%) that received a normal preliminary evaluation later received a dysplastic OFA consensus. This probably is due to the slow progression of radiographic evidence of the disease process. This supports the policy of assigning OFA breed registry numbers at 24 months of age even though a few dogs will not show the radiographic changes until after 24 months.

There were 434 dogs that received a borderline preliminary evaluation. Of these, 247 (56.9%) received a normal evaluation on the OFA consensus.

There were 4,890 preliminary evaluations that were not resubmitted to OFA. Of these, 4,890 preliminary evaluations that were not resubmitted at 24 months of age. Of these, 4,293 (87.3%) were evaluated as normal.

**SUMMARY AND CLINICAL OBSERVATIONS OF OFA DATA**

OFA data and data from many different breeding programs support the conclusion that CHD is an inherited disease that can be controlled by selective breeding. OFA data and reports from several European registries have demonstrated a decline in frequency of CHD. Breeders have reported a decline in CHD in the offspring from their kennels as the result of selective breeding for normal hips. The interest and growth in OFA submissions also attests to the benefits of the program.

OFA breed data serve as an appropriate benchmark for breeders to compare with results from their kennel, but because OFA data represent a select subset of the general population of dogs, it should not be used to judge the frequency of CHD in the general population.
The frequency of CHD in most breeds of dogs is simply not known, and attempts at speculation on this frequency can be misleading.

It appears that there is a core of breeders for each breed that have had an impact on the hip status of OFA-evaluated dogs. They have succeeded in reducing the frequency of CHD and in increasing the frequency of excellent hips in their breed by selective breeding programs. Unfortunately, there are insufficient numbers of such breeders to have a major impact in the more populous breeds. In some breeds, a disproportionate number of breeders still do not follow selective breeding programs and, either knowingly or unknowingly, choose to breed dysplastic dogs.

It is unrealistic to expect elimination of CHD even in the OFA population of dogs, because the genes are widely distributed in many breeds, the population of breeders constantly changes, there is no regulatory control over breeding dogs, and some breeders choose to breed dysplastic dogs for a myriad of reasons. However, the frequency of CHD can be, and is being, reduced to a more acceptable level in the population of dogs submitted to OFA.

Preliminary hip evaluations may be as valuable to the owner or breeder as the final OFA evaluation. If the dog is found to be dysplastic at an early age, the economic loss from cost of training, handling, showing, and so forth can be minimized and the emotional loss reduced. Currently, OFA preliminary evaluations appear to have an acceptable reliability (89% reliable) between the ages of 4 to 23 months. The use of stress radiography may increase the reliability by some yet-to-be-determined percent, but the cost-benefit of the process must be considered. Stress radiography may further increase the false dysplasia evaluations.

Breeding programs consisting of breeding only normal dogs with normal bitches are simple and easy, as they involve obtaining a standard evaluation of only two dogs. This practice can be effective in reducing the frequency of CHD if it is used over generations of offspring.

More rapid and lasting progress can be made if the normal dogs come from normal parents and grandparents, the normal dogs have over 75% normal littermates, normal sires with a proven record for producing normal offspring are used, and replacement bitches that exceed the breed average are chosen. Accumulation of the data necessary to use these techniques requires time and commitment, because large numbers of dogs over many generations must be evaluated.

In the final analysis, the breeder has the ultimate responsibility for choosing which dog is to be mated with which bitch. Veterinarians, breed clubs, and the OFA can only make recommendations and provide the information necessary to assist the breeder in arriving at an appropriate breeding decision.

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Ulf is an expert on tending, the tradition of herd grazing management used in Western & Central Europe which is very different from the typical methods of herding practiced here in the United States. Briards were originally bred for tending. See for yourself what the “Shepherds’ Gate” (l’Allure Bergère) is all about!

- Individual Lessons & Instinct Evaluations scheduled during August.
- Seminars: August 7-8 in Lakeville, CT.
  August 22-23 in Bangor, PA.
- HGH-Type Competitions: August 28-29 in Bangor, PA.

For further information, please contact and leave name and mailing address with:

Beth Johnson 96 Montclair Ave, Little Falls, NJ 07424,
(201) 256-9409 or
Flo Boese 1200 Cozzens Lane, North Brunswick, NJ 08902,
(908) 297-0010

* German National Sheep Herding Trials.
HERDING TEST AND TRIAL
Licensed by The American Kennel Club

Classes open to all AKC Herding Breeds
STOCK: Mixed Breed Sheep
Tests and Trial Classes will be held outdoors.

ENTRIES CLOSE: 12:00 NOON Wednesday.
ENTRIES LIMITED: 7/21, 1993

STOCK: Mixed Breed Sheep

Entries: 10 dogs C Course

40 dogs A Course

Drawing for running order will be made at Windsor Court Hotel.

Nutmeg Farm,
Sandhill Road
Portland, CT

TUESDAY, AUGUST 10, 1993
JUDGE: Roberta Kaman
10 entries C COURSE Advanced, Intermediate, and Started

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 11, 1993
JUDGE: Kent Herbel
40 entries combined A COURSE Advanced, Intermediate, and Started

HERDING TEST

There will be 10 sheep per run for the Herding Test and Pre-trial

HERDING INSTINCT

THURSDAY, AUGUST 12, 1993; 9:00 a.m. There will be a demonstration with descriptive commentary on the various herding methods. This will be followed by a Briard Club of America sponsored Herding Instinct Test (this is not an AKC event).

The demonstration covers the basic herding methods—driving, fetching and (boundary) tending.

Your dog can use any of these methods (on lead) to move sheep in an enclosed (100' X 100') area. The tester(s) will offer guidance as necessary.

The Herding Instinct Test is a practical way to assess the herding instinct of your particular dog.

Dogs that pass will be awarded a Herding Instinct Certificate by the BCA.
Dear friend of the Briard.
You are invited to contribute or help the BRI-ART '93.

• By your Creations...
• Buy something created...
• or send some donation...

You are the most important in the success of the BRI-ART.

PLEASE do it now or make a check payable to BCA.

We hope to receive some news very soon!

Thank you!

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Canada
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305 Pheasant Drive
Middletown, DE 19709
U.S.A.

The Raffle ticket will be provided for each $5 donation - 5 for $20.

AWARDS BANQUET
Saturday, August 14
Cash Bar 7 PM -- Dinner 8 PM

MENU

Appetizer: Fresh Fruit (seasonal)
Salad: Caesar Salad
Entrée (select one):
☐ Prime Rib of Beef (roasted medium)
☐ Baked Stuffed Filet of Sole w/Newburg Sauce
☐ Pasta Primavera (vegetarian)

All entrees include baked potato and green beans almondine
Dessert: Connecticut Baked Apple in Puffed Pastry

Price: $22.00 (includes all tax and gratuities)

Send reservations with payment by August 7 to:
Stephanie Katz
1701 Strathcona Drive
Detroit, MI 48203
(313) 368 - 3123

WINDSOR COURT HOTEL
Four miles north of Bradley Airport at Exit 41 from Route 91 (N or S)
Windsor Locks, CT
(203) 623 - 9811 or (800) 443 - 9811
FAX: (203) 623 - 9808

Room Rates:
Single $55.00 - Double $60.00 - Each additional person $5.00
Contact hotel directly for reservations

Note: reservations must be made prior to July 13 to qualify for these rates.

TRANSPORTATION

Courtesy airport shuttle available 24 hours a day for you and your dogs (limit 2 dogs per trip). Contact the hotel for further information and to make arrangements.
Each year the Show Committee asks the membership to support our National Specialty by making a contribution to the Specialty Fund ... And every year many of you show your generosity which helps make our shows prominent and successful.

This year artist, Karen Kolesar, of Ferndale, Michigan is going to create the '93 BCA Specialty Trophies. She develops fabric sculptures by intricately combining freehand machine embroidery and painting with tie-died and textured fabrics. Each piece is created individually. Her pieces are used as hangings, pillows, table covers and ties, and in throws, drapes and decorative boxes.

Karen's trophies promise to be the most exciting and unusual trophies ever offered by BCA. They will be true keepsakes of your dogs' wins. Those of you who have seen her work say there is just nothing like it ... I hope you will all join us in Connecticut on August 10th thru August 15th to see for your selves!

SHOW YOUR SUPPORT BY MAKING A PLEDGE!! THANKS!!

'93 SHOW COMMITTEE
SALE

NOVELTY SHOPPE
PRE-SPECIALTY SALE

CLOTHING, ETC.

(All T's - 20% off regular price of $15; All Sweats - 20% off regular price of $25)

SPECIALTY '91 SHIRTS
3-color silk screen featuring Briard & 2 sheep on front w/Specialty '91 written above; back of dog & sheep on back of shirt w/Rassemblement '91 written below. T's $15; sweats $25. Limited colors and sizes.

BRIARD CARICATURE SHIRTS
2-color silk screen featuring caricature of Briard with pink tongue. T's $15; sweats $25; long-sleeved T's $18; kids T's $10; kids sweats $18. Limited sizes and colors.

'90 Specialty T's
2-color silk screen; white only, limited size selections.

French Farmhouse T's
1-color silk screen; limited sizes and colors.

Briard Profile T's
1-color silk screen; limited sizes and colors.

Briard Face T's
1-color silk screen; limited sizes and colors.

"My Briard Walks All Over Me" T's
1-color silk screen; limited sizes and colors.

3/4 Head Shot of 2 Briards Sweats
1-color silk screen; limited sizes and colors.

Briard Head Sweats
1-color silk screen; limited sizes and colors.

BCA SHIRTS
3-color silk screen with letters BCA formed by small black & tawny Briard heads & Briard Club of America below. T's $15; sweats $25. Good selection of sizes and colors.

STAFF SHIRTS
Features small Briard head over breast pocket area; limited colors and sizes. $15

COOKBOOKS
Recipes for both people and dogs. $10
20% off Regular Price

ETCHED MIRRORS
Briard etched on 5X7 mirror with shelf. Available in light or dark wood. $25
20% off Regular Price

FANNY PACKS
2 pouch packs with '91 logo; gray or tan. $8 20% off Regular Price

LICENSE PLATE FRAMES
White frames w/Briard profile reading "Hair today/Hair tomorrow." $6

DOOR HARPS
14" Briard makes a lovely door chime; unfinished and ready to be painted or stained. $25.
20% off Regular Price

NOTECARDS
Style 1
Tatted Note Cards; 3 designs per package. White paper. $6/$7.50
Style 3
2 Briards sitting together; blue paper. 10 for $5
Style 5
French farm scene; cream paper. 10 for $5

Style 7
Briard head sketch with quote about what a Briard is; white or tan paper. 10 for $5

Style 2
Sketch of Briard head; cream paper. 10 for $6.50

Style 4
Briard puppy; blue or cream paper. 10 for $5

Style 6
Briard caricature laying down; gray paper. 10 for $5

Style 8
Letters B R I A R D with photos forming letters; white paper. 10 for $5

STATIONERY, ETC.

CHRISTMAS CARDS
Style 1
Caricature of Briard in wreath with *Seasons Greetings* on ribbon, 3-color; blank inside. 10 for $6.50

Style 2
Briard sitting within red border; blank inside. 10 for $6.50

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Tatted Note Cards; 3 designs per package. White paper. $6/$7.50
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***Sorry, clothing not available in all sizes & colors. Call Lynn at (803) 649-6466 for details or see excerpt from catalog above.**
TABLETS
Style 1
Caricature of Briard coming out of "Special Delivery" box; blue, pink, green, cream or goldenrod paper. $3.50

Style 3
Bottom border with Briards surrounding hearts; pink only. $3.50

Style 2
Sketch of Briard with quote; "Me thinks I am marvelous about the face". Cream paper. $3.50

Style 4
Christmas motif with Briard sledding down a hill; white. $3.50

RUBBER STAMPS
Briard head, choose from outline or solid shape. $5

PENS/PENCILS
Pens $.50
Pencils 4/$1

STICKERS
Briard sketch on stickers; 6 per page; $2

** Also available in individual cards $1.50 each.

Odds and Ends

NOMINATIONS - The 1993 Nominating Committee has nominated the following candidates:

President: Janis Charbonneau (CAN)
Vice-President: Jerry Katz (MI)
Treasurer: Barbara Ruby (CA)
Secretary: Jan Wall (IL)
Directors: Sue Erickson (MN), Meg Weitz (DE), Dave Witherspoon (CO)

Class of 1995

THIRD CLASS MAILING - If you haven’t noticed, the DewClaw is now mailed via third class using the printer’s mailing permit. We get a much lower rate BUT third class mail is not forwardable. In order to keep track of address changes, we are using "Return Receipt Guaranteed" for all non-deliverable DewClaws. It costs the club extra money to redeem and forward returned DewClaws to the new address (initial third rate cost + first class return cost + first class remailing cost). If you move, please send your new address to the Secretary who provides mailing labels for all BCA mailings. EFFECTIVE WITH THE NEXT ISSUE, NO DEWCLAWS WILL BE FORWARDED! However, address changes for returned DewClaws will be sent to the Secretary, the Treasurer and the Membership Chairman.

INFORMATION - A new subscriber would like to track down a book called "Briards in England". If you know where this book can be obtained, please drop me a note and I’ll publish the information in the next issue.

ARTICLES - Do you have any articles on other Briard activities? Such as use in police work, as hearing or disabled aides, or just articles of interest. Send them in.
LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

So often, those who have assumed responsibility for their elected or appointed positions in the BCA become target of a disgruntled few, who I can only believe, are misinformed. Often, the "workers" only receive negative responses to the work they've done. All too often, those of us who are pleased and impressed that a job is being well done, neglect to express our thanks. This letter is to publicly say "Thank you Jack".

While reading the "Letters to the Editor" in the last DewClaw, I felt badly that Jack Wynne felt it necessary to defend what he was doing as Rescue Chair. Perhaps enough of us can acknowledge the wonderful job he has done, on behalf of the Briard, to outweigh the unjustified negativism he has experienced.

When Jack took over as Briard Rescue Chair, there was just a basic plan existing to place Briards in dire need of a home. From there, Jack developed a complete structure including a network of volunteers involving the entire U.S. and Canada, who can quickly identify if the dog is a Briard and "rescue" it immediately from the life threatening situation. Jack then carefully places the Briard in an appropriate home. He has worked tirelessly to find good permanent homes for these dogs in need. I commend Jack for his interest, his energy, his organization and commitment.

I would imagine that the first logical, reasonable step in a rescue process would be an attempt to identify the owner, or if that is not viable, the breeder of the dog. Would any responsible Briard breeder not take the dog back and then place it in an appropriate home? I would expect a responsible breeder to thank the Rescue Chair for informing them of such a situation with one of their dogs and therefore, saving the life of a dog they have produced. In fact, the

BCA Code of Ethics states a breeders responsibility for the life of the dog.

Unfortunately, Briard Rescue has become a necessity. We need to ask ourselves why. Are too many Briards being bred? Are breeders not carefully placing Briards? Are buyers not being screened carefully enough? Are puppies not being raised or socialized properly? Are breeders openly discussing potential health problems of puppies with buyers? Whatever the answer, Briarders need to know there is a problem. If only one Briard is turned loose on the streets, abandoned at a kennel or picked up by a local pound, it is too many. Thank goodness Jack and all of his volunteers are there to help.

I, for one, applaud Jack's efforts and thank him for the excellent job he is doing. It is my hope that he will be willing to continue providing this essential service to all Briarders. It is also my hope that we, as Briarders, will assist him in any way possible and let him know of our gratitude to him and all the Rescue and other BCA volunteers.

Stephanie S. Katz
Dear Ms. Smith:

I am very pleased to announce that Fawcett will release my Regency romance novel, Out of the Common Way, in September 1993. One of the most important characters in the book is a Briard, owned by a young Englishwoman who finds her pet extremely, if unpredictably, useful. The story takes place during the Napoleonic Wars and is, as you might suppose, something of a comedy. (With events pivoting around a Briard, how could matters be otherwise?) Also, please note that, while written for an adult market, there is absolutely no explicit material. The reading is suitable for all ages.


Since I won’t receive my advance copies of the book until late July or early August, I am enclosing a synopsis for you. I do hope you will find space in The Dew Claw to tell your readers that, while not quite as good as the real thing, a fictionalized Briard can be entertaining!

For your own information, my love of Briards is genuine. It developed during the 17 years our family owned Woolly Bear, a lovely black female half-Briard. Regrettably, she died two years ago, after having enjoyed a very full life. This story is my way of saluting a particularly fine animal.

I thank you for your consideration.

Yours sincerely,

Melissa Lynn Jones

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DOUBLE DUTCH TREAT

Announcing the first "Moulin au Vent" litter
Born June 7th

Ch. Elisee Brice van de Hoolhoeve, CDX, HT, CGC, TT

This Spring, Elisee was bred in Holland (her homeland) to Etien van de Hoolhoeve, a Dutch Briard from the same kennel, but different lines. So actually, this is a European litter but BORN IN THE USA. My main objective was to breed for mental & physical soundness as well as maintaining good, versatile working ability. Yes, I expect some good show ring prospects in the litter; Etien produced a beautiful litter with Elisee’s mother two years ago. Besides being good-looking dogs with “easy care” coats, they should be fun to work and play with, plus be a joy to have in your home.

Both Etien & Elisee....  - have clear hips & eyes  - have excellent temperament  - are within size standard  - have superb coat texture  - are clear-coated tawnies  - have terrific obedience aptitude  - adore agility work  - are extremely keen on sheep!

For pedigrees and further information, please call or write:

Moulin au Vent Briards
Susan von Suhrke & Steve Nealon
622 Cedarwood Lane
Crownsville, MD
(410) 923-2906
Briards in the European Tradition
The first regional specialty supported by the Atlantic States Briard Club. When I said I'd be the liaison to the Old Dominion Kennel Club, I didn't know I'd volunteered to be the Specialty Chair! Oh well - just like Ado Annie, I can't say no!

We got there on Thursday night with travel trailer and four dogs - COLD but not raining. Terry Smith, dropped off some lattices and a tent for Saturday. He left just after midnight - only to return. The park ranger had locked the gate and he couldn't get out! We made a deal - he got the sofa and Aster!

Friday, a day relaxing(?). Still cold with the wind blowing. I had constant visions of the trailer blowing over and having to be rescued. The lattices under the trailer kept lifting up, trying to blow across the field. The forecast was upper 70s for Saturday - all right! Since we had an in with both the club president and grounds chairman (fellow Briarders, Jenny and Bob Pakulski), we were able to set aside an area for our picnic and staked it out. No overnight guests this night.

Saturday at 5:00 AM, the trucks, vans and cars started rolling in. Finally, at 6:00 when the generator in the next RV was revved up, it was time to get up. The cars kept coming in and they set ring time back by a half an hour. Later, Fran and Gordy Davis and Terry arrived - and we learned there was a five mile backup getting into the park. With over 5400 dogs entered, not entirely unexpected. The advantages to staying on the site: good parking and you avoid any back-ups.

The trophies were set up and it was showtime! The two stewards dwindled to one (in a wheelchair!) and I ended up stewarding for the Sweepstakes. Keren Farkas judged both sweepstakes and James Mitchell judged breed. We had a total entry of 67 and everything seemed to go well. The weather held - just one quick shower which drove some under cover and others to the free raincoats that were given to each exhibitor - although it didn't make the upper 70s. The Old Dominion Show is always unpredictable - rain, cold, warm, mud but is always an experience.

After the judging, back to the picnic spot for a potluck meal and the ASBC meeting. Discussion centered on a regional for next year but maybe at a different site. The success of this show and the other two regionals seem to prove that Briard people want regional specialties.

All in all this regional specialty seemed to have gone off quite well. It was a very rainy spring and an early decision was made to move the show to the alternate site so we did not get the reserved picnic spot or reserved parking. My major snafu - I forgot ribbons for the Award of Merit. It just proves, as I tell Chris, I'm not perfect, only almost!

Thanks to all those who helped with the setting up, bringing food, and donating trophies. Special thanks to Bunny Rattner for getting the trophies and flying in just for the day to bring them, Terry Smith for organizing the food, the beautiful tent, the flowers and, most especially, the photos, and to Chris Jaeger, who as usual, provided his manual labor, support and let me do my "dog show thang."
REGIONAL SPECIALTY, CENTREVILLE, VIRGINIA
SWEEPSTAKES CLASSES, Judge: Mrs. Karen Farkas

Junior, 6 to 9 Months Dogs, Sagri Budd’s Positive Action,
Robert & Deanna Myers & Linda McCurdy

Junior, 9 to 12 Months Dogs, Chaotic’s High Voltage, Shirley Newby

Junior, 12 to 15 Months Dogs, Harley Davidson de Bejaune,
Tommy & Merry Jeanne Millner

Junior, 6 to 9 Months Bitches, Deja Vu Had To Be You,
Kevin & Mary Prince

Junior, 9 to 12 Months Bitches, Houra Chanter De-Lindeau,
L Wells & R Ferber and G & C LeFeuvre

Junior, 12 to 15 Months Bitches, Deja Vu Harper’s Bazaar,
Carol Chamberlain & Theodore Ozsvath

Junior, 15 to 18 Months Bitches, Bigtree-Bedlam’s Hell’N Black,
Shirley Newby

BEST IN SWEEPSTAKES Houra Chanter De-Lindeau
BEST OPPOSITE IN SWEEPSTAKES Harley Davidson de Bejaune

VETERANS SWEEPSTAKES CLASSES, Judge: Mrs. Karen Farkas

Veterans, 7-9 Years Dogs, Veto De L’Eminence CD,
Margaret Shephard & June W Shew

Veterans, 7-9 Years Bitches, CH. Honeycreeks Auimee Alexie CD,
Amie Melton & Cynthia Markle

Veterans, 9 Years and Over Bitches,
CH. C’Est Bonheur Woodbine Tinsel HT, Terry Miller & Judy Odom

BEST VETERAN IN SWEEPSTAKES
CH. C’Est Bonheur Woodbine Tinsel HT

BEST OPPOSITE SEX VETERAN Veto De L’Eminence CD

"Your Sweepstakes Judge at work!"

BEST IN SWEEPSTAKES
HOURRA CHANTER DE-LINDEAU
Breeders/Owners: L Wells & R Ferber and G & C LeFeuvre
It was an honor to be invited to judge Puppy and Veteran Sweepstakes at the BCA Regional Specialty at Old Dominion Kennel Club's 100th anniversary show on April 24, 1993. What a privilege to have the opportunity to evaluate twenty young Briards and eight veterans!

To indicate how I made my selections, I have opted to provide a summary of observations, rather than detailed individual critiques.

First, I will speak to those breed characteristics that are not apparent to spectators at ringside. Eye color and bites were especially strong in the puppy and junior entry. Dark brown to nearly black eyes were the norm, as were scissors bites. There were no light eyes and only one bite was somewhat overshot. I saw no undershot bites in the young entry. Among the veterans, some bites were understandably less than ideal. Eye color was good. One lovely 7-9 year-old bitch had, unfortunately, lost much of the black pigmentation in her nose, a condition that precluded my placing her higher in her class.

Substance is another quality in our coated breed that may not be readily visible, unless one can put one’s hands on the dog. Both my Best in Sweepstakes and Best of Opposite in Sweepstakes possessed strong bone, deep chests, and overall good muscle for their ages. The 6-9 Month-Puppy dogs were particularly strong in these characteristics, as well. Some of the puppies and juniors, at this point in their development, did lack substance, as well as adequate depth of chest.

Speaking to traits that are readily visible from ringside, I found that silhouettes generally conformed to the proportions called for in the standard, with the exception of head length. Some entries, although otherwise well-proportioned, were lacking in head type. "The head of a Briard always* gives the impression of length, having sufficient width without being cumbersome." The Best in Sweepstakes black bitch possessed a beautiful headpiece that typified the imperatives of the Briard standard, including that "impression of length." Her overall silhouette exemplified breed type. The Best of Opposite in Sweeps had a strong head. Of special note was the correct high set, length, and carriage of his natural ears, showing off the "square look to the top of the skull" called for by the standard.

Maturity and ring experience will make for stronger, truer movement in some of the puppies and juniors. Particularly sound and correct movement was exhibited by Best and Best of Opposite in Sweeps, as well as by the first place 12-15- and 15-18-Month-Old bitches.

In judging the veterans, I only wish I had not been obliged to choose among those wonderful old ladies and handsome gentleman. All had strengths; and, their faults were often attributable to advancing age. Best Veteran in Sweeps was in very fine physical condition. She moved with remarkable grace and strength for her more than 9 years. After all, as many of us know too well, movement can become stiff and a bit awkward as those years add up. The coat condition and deep tawny color of the second place 9 Years-and-Over bitch were especially noteworthy.

To conclude, I would like to thank all those exhibitors who entered Sweepstakes and to express my gratitude to The Briard Club of America and The Atlantic States Briard Club for sponsoring and hosting a wonderful event.

*Emphasis is my own
REGULAR CLASSES, Judge: Mr. James J Mitchell

Puppy, 6 to 9 Months Dogs, Sagi Budd's Positive Action, Robert & Deanna Myers and Linda McCurdy

Puppy, 9 to 12 Months Dogs, Chaotic's High Voltage, Shirley Newby

12 to 18 Months Dogs, Harley Davidson de Bejaune, Tommy & Merry Jeanne Millner

American-Bred Dogs, Ni River Hobbit, Michael J Herrick & Nadine A Wholeben

Open, Black Dogs, Bigtree's Flim Flam Man, Alan Waterman & Barbara M Lynch

Open, Tawny Dogs, Hercule Des Betes Poilues, Anne E Wahr

WINNERS DOG Harley Davidson de Bejaune

RESERVE Bigtree's Flim Flam Man 12 DOGS

Puppy, 6 to 9 Months Bitches, Deja Vu House on Fire, Terry Miller

12 to 18 Months Bitches, Bigtree-Bedlam's Hell'N Black, Shirley Newby

Bred by Exhibitor Bitches, Bigtree Bedlam Holly Winter, Barbara M Lynch

American-Bred Bitches, Hourra Chanter De-Lindeau, L Wells & R Ferber and G & C LeFeuvre

Open, Black Bitches, Manny's Genesis A La Mode, Cindy Markle & Amie Melton

Open, Tawny Bitches, Deju Vu Harper's Bazaar, Carol Chamberlain & Theodore Ozsvath

WINNERS BITCH Manny's Genesis A La Mode

RESERVE Deja Vu Harper's Bazaar 18 BITCHES

Veteran Bitches.

CH. Honeycreeks Auimee Alexie CD, Amie Melton & Cynthia Markle

Best of Breed Competition.

BEST OF BREED CH. Bet-Cha Brigand de Strathcona, Bettyann Debner & Robert D Debner

BEST OF WINNERS Harley Davidson de Bejaune

BEST OF OPPOSITE SEX CH. Richlen Erin Go Bragh, K Fitzpatrick & E Walton

Stud Dog.

CH. Aigner Deja Vu Double O Seven, Regina Keiter

Brace.

CH. Sagi A Rock 'N' & A Roll 'N' and CH. Sagi New Attitude, Robin Sheetz & Jenny Klawitter & Dianna McNew
AWARD OF MERIT

REGIONAL SPECIALTY AT CENTREVILLE, VIRGINIA
APRIL 24, 1993

CH. Aigner Deja Vu Double O Seven
Ch. Bet-Cha Brigand de Strathcona
CH. Deja Vu Every Little Breeze
Ch. Fedora De Lindeau
CH. Richlen Erin Go Braugh
Ch. Sagi A Rock‘N’ & A Roll’N’

A DAY IN THE LIFE OF A BRIARD PUPPY

Briard pups love facial tissue and toilet tissue. They love to chew it! Unroll it! And spread it all OVER the house!! And you cannot find a small Rubbermaid trash container with a lid. The small bathroom decor type. So! You must purchase a diaper pail. The kind with the foot pedal operated lid lifter.

Then, when you are taking the diaper pail from the car to the house, your parents pull into the driveway. Now you have to get the aspirin ready! Because once your mother hears the REAL reason for the diaper pail, this woman, who thought she was going to be a grandmother, will become terminally depressed! "But mom! Our family IS growing, you ARE a grandmother!!!" This statement is not very comforting to a woman with a cold wet muzzle wedged between her legs. Now she is not only depressed, but her polyester, one size fits all stretch pants, the kind with the stirrups, have a soaked inseam.

At this point, you will hear a statement from grandma, that every Briard owner has heard, in one form or another. "There is nothing wrong with owning a small dog! A Poodle! Like my Trixie!" Meanwhile, Grandpa is biting his tongue to keep from laughing, because it looks like grandma has wet her pants. Now YOU are depressed, grandma is mad AND wet, and grandpa, still smirking, is about to be yelled at. This is just your typical day with company, at the home of a Briard pup!

And this may be another reason for people to wear "Depends"! To keep their under garments dry while in the presence of a Briard!!

PUPPY 3 / HUMANS 0

Time to put the puppy out. You take him to the back door as grandma sits on the couch and grandpa sits in the recliner. After approximately 15 minutes, the pup starts barking at the neighbor’s cat, the neighbor is outraged and is yelling at your puppy to shut up!

PUPPY 4 / HUMANS 0

As you open the back door, the puppy stops in mid flight, between the fence and the door, to pick up a long stick. He races through the kitchen into the living room and lands in grandpa’s lap on the recliner. As grandpa reaches for the pup, he gets poked in the gut with the stick! Then! As grandpa places the puppy on the floor, he gets his cufflink tangled in the pup’s glued ears!! Now, grandpa feels bad about what he has done, grandma is laughing, and YOU are going for the glue!!!!

PUPPY 7 / HUMANS 0

Upon re-glueing his ears, the puppy turns and makes a bee line for his water bowl. The beginning of round two!!!!!!! It's a shut out! PUPPY 10 / HUMANS 0!!! Now........................

Plop Plop, Pizz Pizz time!

"Hey!! What a great name! The year 1999 is the "P" year. I’ll have to remember this."

You have arrived! Amidst all of this kaos, you have managed to keep your wits, and have also come up with a perfect name for 1999! You are now a qualified Briard owner. And you can proudly say..........................TRIXIE WHO????????

Jack Wynne
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