PRESIDENT'S CORNER

First I wish to thank the membership for the confidence they have placed in me in electing me President for the coming year.

I shall do my utmost to make the coming year one of dedication and service to the membership and our Briards.

Our thanks to Charles Cook who served us well the past two years and who left some unfinished business that was in excellent condition. Most important is the work that has been done by the Constitution Revision Committee headed by Arthur Tingley and ably staffed with John Davies and Jane Cook. I have received a copy of the Revisions and the committee has put much time and thought into what they have done. With some few minor additions or revisions it should be ready for A.K.C. approval and will then be submitted to the membership for approval.

One of the first orders of new business will be the appointment of a committee to re-write our standard for the Briard. It is hoped that this will be accomplished with out making any major changes from our existing Standard. The prime objective being that of clarification. This need was well pointed out at the recent Specialty March 22nd. As you will note in the show reports elsewhere in this issue, my bitch Phlair De Marha was disqualified as being spotted (a disqualification under the standard). The bitch was shown with the full knowledge between Mrs. Tingley who judged and myself, that the bitch would be disqualified in view of the fact that some question had been raised as to her conforming to the Standard. The bitch in question being in my opinion a combination of two allowable colors with no marked spots and the transition from one color to the other taking place gradually and symmetrically. The two colors, Black with Tawny shading, or more properly called genetically a Black with Tan points. Phlair has subsequently been reinstated by the A.K.C.

Following this message you will find a copy of my first letter to the Officers of The Briard Club of America outlining some of my desires for the coming year.

Now to a few apologies: First being the lateness of the April Dew Claw which makes this an April - June issue. My business commitments plus being Secretary of the Hoosier Kennel Club and getting my feet wet on this job just didn't permit getting the April issue out on time. I have since declined re-election to Secretary of the Hoosier Kennel Club and as of this writing I will be free to devote more time and energy to serving as your President. Secondly, my apologies to Ethel Barker for having failed to include her name in the list of contributors to the Trophy Fund for the March Specialty, especially since her's was the first received. Our thanks also to Mr. & Mrs. Charles Persen and the parents of Mrs. Persen (the Lazars) for their contribution which was received too late to include in the premium list.

The Executive Committee (Officers and Directors) will welcome and suggestions you may have, send them directly to me, the Secretary or to the Director in your area. All suggestions will be given every consideration, and it will be the objective of the Committee to keep you the membership fully informed via the Dew Claw with regard to all action taken by the Committee.

Harold A. Marley
President
To: The Officers of The Briard Club of America

This letter is long overdue, mainly because I have been taking a little time to decide just where I should start as the newly elected President of the Club, and how best to go about it.

First, it is my desire that the Executive Committee shall function as a committee in the general management and direction of the affairs, interest and business of the Club. The Executive Committee consisting of the Officers and any appointed members to the Committee.

I shall consult the Executive Committee and shall ask their approval on all committees I feel necessary, and also approval of all members I may appoint to these committees.

All committees so appointed and approved by the Executive Committee shall keep the Executive Committee informed of their progress and any final recommendations these committees may make shall be approved by the Executive Committee.

If membership approval is required on any committee recommendations, these recommendations shall be presented to the membership after being approved by the Executive Committee.

Although the Constitution says that the Executive Committee shall consist of five members, I feel that with the many new members that we now have and the increased number of members since the adoption of the Constitution in 1944, that we should have a minimum of three additional members to the committee other than the officers of the Club, making a total of seven members on the Executive Committee.

In going over our membership I find that for the purpose of appointing these three "Directors" that by dividing the United States into three sections, the East consisting of Conn., Del., D.C., Maine, Md., Mass., N.H., N.J., N.Y., Pa., R.I., and Vermont consisting of 72 members; the Mid-west consisting of Ala., Ark., Fla., Ga., Ill., Ind., Iowa, Ky., Mich., Minn., Miss., Mo., Nebr., N. C., N.Dak., Ohio, Okla., S.C., S.Dak., Tenn., Texas, Va., W.Va., and Wis.; and the West consisting of Ariz., Calif., Colo., Idaho., Mont., Nev., N. Mex., Ore., Utah, Wash., Wyo. The Mid-west section has 48 members and the West has 34 members. This is still not a perfect numerical balance in appointing Directors to represent the three areas, but I think it is at least a place to start for better representation of the membership on the Executive Committee.

The foregoing about sums up how I desire that we shall function during my term of office. To save time and duplication, a copy of this letter will appear in our next Dew Claw as a means of keeping the membership informed.

Attached you will find my recommendation for three Directors to serve on the Executive Committee.

Sincerely,
Harold A. Marley
May 13, 1969

Executive Communique No. M2 - 69

Please approve or disapprove the following items by checking on attached form and returning as soon as possible.

Item 1. Approval requested for purchase of a suitable piece of equipment for the use of the Secretary in preparing multiple copies of various necessary paperwork such as ballots for new members, elections etc. With seven members on the Executive Committee it is impossible to prepare seven good copies on a typewriter. Approval of expenditure of up to $200. requested.

Item 2. Approval of the following members to serve on the Constitution Revision Committee: Arthur M. Tingley, Chairman; John Davies and Jane Cook.

Item 3. Approval for Charles Cook to continue as A.K.C.Delegate.

Item 4. Approval of Dr. Joseph E. Grodjesk to continue as chairman of the Hip Dysplasia Committee. Additional members to be appointed later if needed.

Item 5. Approval of the following members to serve as assistant editors of the Dew Claw. Carolyn Erickson (West), Joyce Avody (Mid-West) and Yvonne C. Lacy (East).

Item 6. Approval of James Zaccaro to continue as Publicity Chairman.

Item 7. Approval of the following members to serve on the Standard Committee: Harold A. Marley, Chairman; Mary Lou Tingley, Bruce McQuillan, Patricia Anufrom and Diane McLeroth.

Sincerely,

cc: Mary Lou Tingley
    James Zaccaro
    Barbara Ruby
    Kenneth Collins
    Sharon Boelter
    Emmy Lou Byrd

EXECUTIVE COMMUNIQUE NO. M2-69

All items approved.

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MINUTES

A meeting of the Briard Club of America was held on March 22, 1969 in Indianapolis, Indiana and was opened by the new President, Harold A. Marley, at 8:45 p.m. Twenty-one members were present.

Mr. Marley introduced the new Vice-President, James C. Zaccaro, and thanked the membership for its vote of confidence.

The Treasurer's report was read by Mrs. Wells in the absence of Mrs. Ruby, showing a balance of $1240.75 as of March 4, 1969.

Mr. Marley suggested the club reconsider the $100 allowance for each Specialty, as it is not sufficient to cover costs and trophies, and necessitates soliciting trophies from the members three times a year. Ways and means to avoid soliciting trophies were discussed and a motion was passed suggesting a dues increase to $7.50 for an individual member and $10.00 for a couple. This suggestion will be incorporated into the Constitution under consideration by committee.

Mr. Marley then suggested some additional means of making the Dew Claw self-supporting. A motion was passed to accept Dew Claw advertising from members only, pertaining to Briards, at Christmas ad. rates.

The club then took up the question of the Eastern Specialty to be held in conjunction with the Kennel Club of Philadelphia in December of 1969. Mrs. Tingley advised that the eminent Judge, Monsieur Victor Jean Martinage of Belgium, has been approved by the AKC to judge both Briards and Bouviers. A motion was passed naming Charles Cook as Show Chairman for the Specialty. A motion was also passed to have the first Grace W. Norgaard Memorial Trophy awarded at the Eastern Specialty.

Mrs. Tingley read a letter advising members of the availability of a translation of a thesis on the Briard. It was sent to Mr. Ronald C. Amber from France and to his knowledge is the only English translation in this country.

Mr. Amber is offering copies to members of the Briard Club at $8.50 each plus postage. If you are interested in receiving a copy send your check to: Mr. Ronald C. Amber, 7224 Hillside Ave Los Angeles California.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

Mary Lou Tingley, Secretary
National Veterinary School of Alfort

1946
No. 15

Thesis
for the
Doctor of Veterinary
(State Certificate)

Publicly presented and defended on January 16, 1946
by
Noël Walin
Born, May 26, 1921, at Noisy-le-Sec (Seine)

THE BRIARD
French Long-haired Shepherd Dog
(Its history, conformation, work, & training)

Thesis Jury: President - M. Leon Binet, Professor on the
Faculty of Medicine at Paris
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Proud Rebel de Marha and owner Phil McNelis, Best of Winners
and Best of Opposite Sex at the Briard Club of America Specialty
at Indianapolis March 22nd. Judge, Mary Lou Tingley.
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ARE YOUR DUES PAID?

PHYDEAU QUINAUD, owned by Patricia Anufrom,
Best of Breed at Beverly Hills Show Jan. 5th.
Shown by Gail Sprock, judge Mr. Glenn T. Fancy.
CHAMPION PHOEBE CHEZ PHYDEAU, owned by Barbara and Thomas McQuillan took second in Group under Robert Wills at the Livonia, Mich. show on April 6th. About 1100 dogs entered, McQuillan took second in Group under Robert Wills at the NEWS AND VIEWS

Congratulations.

CHAMPION PHOEBE CHEZ PHYDEAU, owned by Barbara and Thomas

might make a cute item for the Dew Claw.

Note Frm Lansing Bailey: Please note the enclosed bulletin of the Porsche Club of America -- PCA vs BCA. I thought it might make a cute item for the Dew Claw.

Quote from PCA Bulletin:"Lansing Bailey, innkeeper of the Edgewood in New London, N.H. as a hobby raises and shows Briards - a French Sheepdog little known in the USA but loved by a small group of people known collectively as the Briard Club of America or BCA, Lansing has been our host on our Hillclimbs and Ice Events and knows us well. He says that BCA is a nice bunch of people, very much like the members of PCA. So greetings from BCA to PCA - two elegant groups of people."

Paul Rosner in note to Barbara Ruby: "Incidentally, I have a piece of news from the West Coast for the next Dew Claw. Frank Nicholas and I recently traded puppies. I sent him Athos d'Agincourt (out of Mandoline Chez Phydeau by Assurbanipal des Grand Pieds) and he sent me Berry Brown's Nina, out of a completely new line he has imported from Ireland. We are both utterly delighted with each other's puppies. I think more breeders should trade like this, in order to infuse new blood into the lines. I am afraid we are all going to get so inbred we will face "

From the MICHIGAN BRIARDERS: Puppies, puppies and more puppies, that has been what has happened around here in the last few months. Pat Long's Pa Chick's Esmeralda had 13 beautiful babies 8 black and 5 tawny. Pappa is Proud Rebel de Marla owned by Phil and Janice McNair. Pat is keeping one of the black males and he is growing up to be quite a boy. Ch. Arlette Des Grand Pieds (better known as Stormy or "Mother" as everyone calls her in Detroit) presented her owner Barbara Ruby with 6 more shaggy pups. All tawny with the darkest masks and eyes you ever saw. Barb's sister-in-law Nancie Wells replaced the Champion she lost last summer with one of the pups. His name is Max and already he is growing fast and everyone loves him. All the pups should be ready to be shown by the August Specialty. Puppy Sweepstakes should be fun.

We have lots more puppies due soon. Ch. Spooky Chez Chien Velu was bred to Ralph Des Elfes De Malouse and they are due the 22nd of April. Spooky is owned by the Benadarets. Ch. Nibobe Chez Phydeau is expecting pups by Ch. Alcides Chez Chien Velu about the 10th of May. Both dogs are owned by the Awodeys. All the pups should be tawny.

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Last but not least, "Mother" brought home the Best of Breed trophy from the Indianapolis Specialty to her proud owner who was in Mexico at the time. Nancie Wells handled her to the win. The next day Ch. Phoebe Chez Phydeau picked up the Best of Breed trophy. Good trophy too - a medallion with a Briard on it. What fun!

Things are getting under way for the August Specialty. We have all sorts of plans. We will again have the same sort of set up that we had last year with our own tent, and our own ring with plenty of good close parking. The dinner will be Saturday night and a meeting will follow the dinner. This time we are planning on Puppy Sweepstakes Make your plans early. We want everyone to come and have a great time.

Spring is finally here and we are sure that it is welcome by everyone. The dogs can finally get in some good road work after laying around all winter and it helps the condition of their owners too.

We suppose it is time to make our request for Trophy donations for the Specialty. Last years prizes were beautiful and we know all of you that took one home were pleased. Our deadline is drawing near so PLEASE -- take a few minutes now and mail YOUR donation. Elsewhere in the issue you will find a page to clip out and mail if you wish. We need all of your support if the show is to be a success.

So - until next issue - from all of us and our shaggy dogs....

SHOW REPORTS by CAROLYN ERICKSON:

SAN FERNANDO K.C. CALIFORNIA, OCT. 20, 1968, Judge G. PLAGA.


IMPERIAL VALLEY K.C. ARIZONA, DEC. 1, 1968. JUDGE O.C. HARRIMAN Bitches (2, 1point) ANASTASIA D'AGINCOURT C. & B. ERICKSON .............. P-1-R LECCADIA D'AGINCOURT, B. & B. BARKER .................. 0-1-W-BOB

NEW.....NEW.....

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Bylandt, Comte Henri de-Les Races de Chiens. (Includes standards of the "Chien de Berger Francais-Type de Brie"-Volume I (Chiens de Berger & Bouvier), pages 9-10.) 1924. Publisher: "Chasse et Peche," Brussels, Belgium. (Out of Print)

Bylandt, Count Henry de-Dogs of All Nations: Their varieties, characteristics, Points, etc. (Section on the Chien de Berger de Brie- Volume II (Non-Sporting Dogs) pages 439-1097; written in English, Dutch, French and German-numerous illustrations) 1906. Publisher: Kegan Paul, Trench Trubner & Co. Ltd., London, Eng. (Out of Print)


Hutchinson's Dog Encyclopedia-(Includes section on the "Sheep-dogs of La Beauce and La Brie"-Volume III, pages 1681-1686) 1935 Publisher: Hutchinson & Co. Ltd., 55 Pont St., London, S.W.1, Eng. (Out of Print)

Judy, Will-Dog Encyclopedia. (Section on the "Briard"-pages 64-65) 1936. Publisher: Judy Pub. Co., 3323 Michigan Blvd., Chicago, Ill. (Temporarily out of print)


Megargee, Edwin-Dogs. (Section on "The Briard"-page 48) 1942. Publisher: Harper & Brothers, 49 East 33rd St., N.Y.C. Price: approx. $2.00


v. Stephanitz-The German Shepherd Dog in Word and Picture. (Includes material on the Briard or "Chien de Brie"-pages 101, 103) 2nd entirely revised American ed. from the original German work by J.Schwabacher. 1925. Printed in Germany. American copyright owner, John Gans, 300 Duncan Rd., Grymes Hill, Staten Island, N.Y. (Out of Print)

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I want to thank Harold and Ada Marley for the successful March weekend. Mrs. Mary Lou Tingley and Mr. Roy Ayers, Sr. did an excellent job of judging. Never have I seen a more beautiful class of Briards and for that matter never have I seen a more beautiful class in any breed. To select one Briard must have been very difficult indeed! Although the entry was not as large this year as it could have been, those that came had a good time. Thank you again Harold and Ada for a special weekend.

Sharon Boelter

If you couldn't make the March speciality, let me remind you that a large entry and a good time is planned for June 28th & 29th for the Madison Dog Show. Start getting your dog in show condition as there will be a very knowledgeable judge—Mr. Henry Stoecker. Let's make it difficult for him and present a beautiful class of Briards. Hope to see you in June!

The Madison Dog Show
Madison, Wisconsin
June 29th-Sunday

The Madison Dog Show will be held on June 29th at the Dane County Coliseum, Madison. The Coliseum is air conditioned and provides excellent grooming facilities. This is one show that you really shouldn't miss if at all possible. The show is sponsored by Roy Jones Dog Show Organization, who by the way, offers the newest dog show equipment. The judge is Mr. Henry Stoecker. For those of you who have never had the opportunity to show under this man, now is your chance. He is one of the few judges who knows and likes the Briard.

Saturday evening there will be an outdoor supper, weather permitting, at the Boelter's home, 2205 Tanagier Trail. The supper is sponsored by the Persens and the Boelters and we guarantee a good time and lots of good eating for those who make the trip.

In case you really have the dog show fever, there is a companion show in Wausau, Wisconsin, Saturday June 28th.

Regardless, make plans now...mark your calendars and help us to make this a successful show with a lot of Briard entries. The time of year is perfect and we promise that there will be no snow.

P.S. We expect to see a lot of those new puppies on their first venture into the show ring.
The Trophy List for the Madison Dog Show is as follows:

Best of Breed: SP "Renaissance" Round Butter Dish, offered by Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Lazar.
Best of Opposite Sex to BOB: 6 ¾" Pewter Goblet, offered by Mr. and Mrs. Robert Boelter.
Winners Dog: 8" SP Serving Tray, Offered by Mr. and Mrs. Charles Persen.
Winners Bitch: 8" SP Serving Tray, offered by Mr. and Mrs. Edward Persen.
Open Dog: 7 ½" SP Bon Bon Dish, offered by Mr. and Mrs. Charles Persen.
Open Bitch: 7 ½" SP Bon Bon Dish, offered by Mr. and Mrs. Robert Boelter.
Puppy Dog: 6" SP Bon Bon Dish, offered by Mr. and Mrs. John McLeroth.
Puppy Bitch: 6" SP Bon Bon Dish, offered by Mr. and Mrs. John McLeroth.

FINANCIAL REPORT

RECEIPTS:
Trophy Donations.............. $280.00
Briard Club of America ....... 100.00
License Refund ............... 15.00
$2.00 per entry from Pontiac K.O .... 46.00
Dinner Party $6.00 per person ........ 192.00

EXPENSE:
License .................. $ 15.00
Postage .................. 12.80
Trophies and Rosettes ....... 170.00
Tent for Show ............. 125.00
Dinner Party, food, drinks, caterer .. 294.00

Balance returned to Briard Club $ 16.20
Total cost of show to Club $83.80

Please make reservations for _______ people. For _______ nights.
___ Single Bed  __ Double Bed
The reservations will be for the Holiday Inn.

Send to: Sharon Boelter
5454 Gettle Avenue
Madison, Wisconsin 53705

**Please let me know also, how many will attend the supper Saturday evening. I would like to have your reply by May 1st if possible.

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Best of Breed Trophy----------- SF Trophy offered by the Pontiac Kennel Club
Best of opposite Sex to Best of Breed—SF Trophy offered by the Pontiac Kennel Club
Puppy Classes (both sexes and both age divisions) Competition required—1st, SF Teaspoon offered by the Pontiac Kennel Club.

The following prizes are offered by the Briard Club of America through the generosity of its members and friends whose names will be published in the catalogue.

Rosettes for Best of Breed, Best of Opposite Sex to Best of Breed, Best of Winners, Winners Dog, Winners Bitch and First in all classes.

Best of Breed------------- 27” Special Walnut-Sunray Trophy Cup on Walnut and Marble Base with Victory Figure
Best of Opposite Sex to Best of Breed—— 19” Walnut-Sunray Planter Bowl with Victory Figure
Winners Dog--------------- 18” Walnut-Sunray Cup with Marble and Victory Figure
Winners Bitch------------- 18” Walnut-Sunray Cup with Marble and Victory Figure
Puppy Dog Class—— 6 to 9 months,
1st. 14” Walnut-Sunray Trophy with Marble and Victory Figure
2nd. 13” Walnut-Sunray Trophy with Marble and Victory Figure
3rd. 12” Walnut-Sunray Trophy with Marble and Victory Figure
Puppy Bitch Class—— 6 to 9 months,
1st. 14” Walnut-Sunray Trophy with Marble and Victory Figure
2nd. 13” Walnut-Sunray Trophy with Marble and Victory Figure
3rd. 12” Walnut-Sunray Trophy with Marble and Victory Figure
American Bred Dog Class——
1st. 14” Walnut-Sunray Trophy with Marble and Victory Figure
American Bred Bitch Class——
1st. 14” Walnut-Sunray Trophy with Marble and Victory Figure
Open Dog Class——
1st. 14” Walnut-Sunray Trophy with Marble and Victory Figure
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3rd. 12” Walnut-Sunray Trophy with Marble and Victory Figure
Open Bitch Class——
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PYTHIAS CHEZ PHYDEAU with owner Kenneth Collins, Best Of Winners under judge Alva Rosenberg at the Pittsburgh Show March 29th.

Briard Club of America  
(Member of the American Kennel Club — Unbenched)

Class Entries  
Judge: Mrs. Mary Lou Tingley.

BRIARDS. American-bred, dogs.

BRIARDS. Open, dogs.

BRIARDS. American-bred, bitches.

BRIARDS. Open, bitches.

WINNERS BITCH 11 Reserve 7 Points 5 Bitches 6

BRIARDS. Best of Breed Competition.


Best Briard 18 Best of Winners 15 Best of Opposite Sex 15

HOOSIER KENNEL CLUB SHOW — March 23, 1969

BRIARDS  
Judge: Mr. Roy L. Ayers, Sr.

BRIARDS. American-bred, dogs.

BRIARDS. Open, dogs.

An excellent book for the beginning breeder is one written by Kyle Onstott, revised by Philip Onstott and is entitled The New Art of Breeding Better Dogs. This publication is written in as simplified terms as is possible. It deals with genetics and how they relate to coat color, defects, and diseases. I believe it is still available for $5.95 and is well worth the price.
If your dog is practically a member of the family he should be put on the pages of the family snapshot album. His appearance on these pages should not be an accident just because he happened to be around when you were photographing someone or something else. Make a special effort of “Putting on the Dog.”

He ought to be the subject of some special shots. Pooch portraits are fun to make, but like any good picture it takes a little thought and planning to insure happy results.

Choose your setting, whether indoors or out, and arrange whatever props or lights you want to use before you bring Rover or Lady on the scene. Dogs aren’t always patient and you’ll get your best cooperation while the idea is still a novelty.

Choose a plain background, one that will not take any attention away from the subject. If a sufficiently unobtrusive one isn’t available naturally, create one. Use a piece of wallboard, a blanket, or anything plain that’s handy. To show the dog off to best advantage choose a color that will contrast with his coat. The honey-colored cockers show off well against a dark background (green is a good color) and the black ones stand out against a light color.

It’s a good idea to place the dog, or dogs, on a table or bench so that you can do your shooting on the dog’s own eye level or from a low angle. This will emphasize the importance of your subject. By following this method outdoors you can use the sky for a background. It is true that unless you are really shooting close in, you’ll get part of the table or bench, but this can be easily remedied by cropping and enlarging. This is accomplished by marking the square or rectangular area of the picture that you think is best and taking it, with the negative, to your photofinisher who will print and enlarge just the part you want.

It goes without saying that your dog has a terrific personality. He’s a smart dog, too, as anyone can plainly see. So keep that in mind when taking this picture. Try to make the personality and intelligence show in the picture. Use his favorite toy as a prop or as a means of attracting his attention in the direction you want him to look. Recall the things he’s done, or the ways he’s looked that have made you chuckle, or call someone else’s attention to him. If you love his sad look, try for that in the picture. If his mischievous spirit endears him to the family, make it show in the snapshot.
As far as camera settings are concerned, the shutter opening will, of course, be determined by the light available. A speed of about 1/50 second (approximately that of most box-type cameras) will work. But if you are using an adjustable camera, 1/100 second or faster is preferable so that you can stop an unexpected movement.

For indoor picturing, photoflash is a better source of illumination than photoflood lamps because it enables you to shoot with short exposures. Fine dog pictures can be made with photoflood but there is more danger of blurs from subject movement because of the longer exposure required.

A good thing to remember is that animals and children are very much alike. Some of the same tricks employed in photographing baby are very effective with puppies. An alert and interested expression can be induced by suddenly showing a favorite toy or by making an unfamiliar noise to attract attention. Assistance from some other member of the family can come in very handy at this point. You can concentrate on the camera, ready to snap the picture at just the right moment, while your helper creates the off-stage diversion.

Informal shots can be helped greatly if you play a game with the dog, perhaps doing something that will bring the dog to precisely the right spot the desired moment.

In addition to the pictures devoted exclusively to the dog, you'll want to include in your album a number of shots of the dog with various members of the family. Dogs and people—old or young—seem to go very well together and will make an interesting addition to family snapshot collections.

Help for those who would like to take better pictures of their or others' dogs, comes from the Gaines Dog Research Center, 250 Park Avenue, New York 17, New York.

The Center has just issued a booklet titled "Picture Your Dog"—available for the asking—which contains a wealth of information on taking photographs of dogs that are not only good but good enough to win photo contest prizes. How to select locations, choose appropriate backgrounds, get natural effects and action shots of the pet at home, the sporting dog in the field, or even rollicking puppies, are among the subjects covered in this exceptional booklet, which also reproduces profusely photographs that have won prizes in contests to get across its many and varied helpful hints.
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