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FROM THE PRESIDENT

For personal reasons, Janis Charbonneau has chosen to resign as President of The Briard Club of America. The constitution mandates "that a vacancy in the office of the President shall be filled automatically by the Vice-President." The Board will follow the constitution in filling the subsequent vacancy.

Throughout the years that I've been on the Board, I've strived to create and maintain an atmosphere of openness within the BCA. I've endeavored to promote member participation and increase the scope of the club's activities to best meet the needs, wishes, and interests of the membership. Within all organizations there is a natural spectrum of opinion. I hope that the membership will exercise their right to participate in the "workings" of the Club by communicating their thoughts to the Board. I look forward to a successful year.

Jerry Katz
President, BCA

FROM THE EDITOR

The spring issue! One can only hope that spring, indeed, is here. This past winter gets real low marks. Here, we're used to snowstorms but not the ice storms of this winter. The one in February was a real beauty. A beauty when you looked into the woods and saw the trees glistening with ice but a beast when the trees started toppling and branches broke off due to the weight of the ice. We thought we were living in the middle of a firing range. What a cleanup! An oak tree down beside the house, a large pine tree across the lower drive, a huge pine bough which just missed the trailer, and many downed tree limbs. One advantage to having Briards sleep with you, though, is that they keep you warm when the power fails! At least I got a week's respite when I had to go to Orlando to a conference!

There appeared to be some problems with the mailing of the last issue. I can only attribute it to the fact that it was mailed during the holidays and third class mailings do not get treated the same as first class. I don't know if the issues lay around in the post office used by the printer for mailing, in the regional Maryland distribution center, or in other distribution centers. Replacement issues were sent to those four or five people who called me and reported the non-receipt of their issue. If it's any consolation, I live directly across the river and did not receive my issue until January 11!

This issue is a little skimpier than normal. There weren't many contributions for this issue and I had to reach deep into the file for some medical articles. The deadline for the Summer issue is June 1 and should feature information on the National Specialty and photos and results of the regional specialties in Detroit and Harrisburg.

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Where to Bury a Dog

A subscriber of the Ontario (Oregon) Argus has written to the editor of that fine weekly, propounding a certain question, which, so far as we know, remains unanswered: "Where shall I bury my dog?" It is asked in advance of death. The Oregonian trusts the Argus will not be offending if this newspaper undertakes an answer, for surely such a question merits a reply. It distresses [the writer] to think of his favorite as dishonored in death, mere carrion in the winter rains. Within that sloping, canine skull, he must reflect when the dog is dead, were thoughts that dignified the dog and honored the master. The hand of the master and of the friend stroked often in affection this rough, pathetic husk that was a dog.

We would say to the Ontario man that there are various places in which a dog may be buried. We are thinking now of a setter, whose coat was aflame in the sunshine, and who, so far as we are aware, never entertained a mean or an unworthy thought. This setter is buried beneath a cherry tree, under four feet of garden loam, and at its proper season the cherry strews petals on the green lawn of his grave. Beneath a cherry tree, or an apple, or any flowering shrub of the garden, is an excellent place to bury a good dog. Beneath such trees, such shrubs, he slept in the drowsy summer, or gnawed at a flavorful bone, or lifted head to challenge some strange intruder. These are good places, in life or in death. Yet it is a small matter, and it touches sentiment more than anything else. For if the dog be well remembered, if sometimes he leaps through your dreams actual
as in life, eyes kindling, questing, asking, laughing begging, it matters not at all where that dog sleeps at long and at last. On a hill where the wind is unrebuked, and the trees are roaring, or beside a stream he knew in puppyhood, or somewhere in the flatness of a pasture land, where most exhilarating cattle graze. It is all one to the dog, and all one to you, and nothing is gained, and nothing lost - if memory lives. But there is one best place to bury a dog. One place that is best of all.

If you bury him in this spot, the secret of which you must already have, he will come to you when you call - come to you over the grim, dim frontiers of death, and down the well-remembered path, and to your side again. And though you call a dozen living dogs to heel they should not growl at him, nor resent his coming, for he is yours and he belongs there. People may scoff at you, who see no lightest blade of grass bent by his footfall, who hear no whimper pitched too fine for mere audition, people who may never really have had a dog. Smile at them then, for you shall know something that is hidden from them, and which is well worth knowing. The one best place to bury a good dog is in the heart of his master.

DEDICATED TO TALIA

BELOVED BRIARD OF CAPTAIN HARRY MCGEOGHEGAN

ADOPTED IN SEPTEMBER 20, 1985

DIED ON DECEMBER 20, 1993
of breed progress have previously been published in the scientific literature and is updated in a 1993 OFA supplement. There is no doubt that progress can be and is being made and without loss of the desirable traits. The degree of progress is surprisingly high for a voluntary program which speaks well for the efforts of concerned breeders and breed clubs.

The issue of joint laxity as an early predictor of HD is not new or revolutionary. It came into vogue in the 1960's when a number of veterinarians used palpation to determine laxity in young puppies (8-12 weeks of age). This was rapidly followed by use of stress radiography - placing a fulcrum between the leg and forcing the heads of the femurs away from the hip sockets. These techniques were accepted by many breeders and some veterinarians as a means of early detection of HD. As a consequence, some dogs underwent unnecessary surgery and many dogs were destroyed, sold, or otherwise removed from breeding programs on the basis of finding joint laxity by these techniques.

The popularity and wide spread use of these techniques prompted an international symposium, in 1972, to determine the scientific validity of these diagnostic procedures. The participants included a group of international researchers, representatives from the American Kennel Club (AKC) and the American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA), practicing veterinarians, and dog breeders. The symposium recognized and published that there was no scientific evidence to support the clinical application of palpation and/or stress radiography. Furthermore, they recommended that these procedures be considered experimental until controlled research studies produced the necessary scientific evidence. The basic concerns were: lack of standard pressure for the fulcrum and lack of pathologic support to ascertain what is happening in dogs with lax hips but no evidence of secondary degenerative joint changes. It was recognized that, while breeding for "tight" hips was more desirable, some dogs with "tight" hips later develop changes of HD. Answers to these questions can only be determined from carefully controlled programs with long term follow-ups, including necropsy results.

Research on joint laxity suffered a hiatus until the mid 1980's. Since then several reports have been published. The PennHIP study has received the most attention because the authors speculated that the remaining dogs, those that did not have HD, with greater than 0.3 DI were genotypically dysplastic. No pathologic evidence or breeding data is offered to support the hypothesis suggested in their study of 142 dogs (105 of which were German Shepherd Dogs). The study was of a survey type, not a controlled study.

On the other hand, a controlled study attempted to duplicate the stress radiographic results of the DI method and reported that a DI greater than 0.4 is not a sufficiently reliable basis for clinical diagnosis of canine hip dysplasia. Furthermore, this report stated that measurements of joint laxity correctly predicted hip dysplasia in 57% of the cases and normal hips in 88% of the cases. The study tracked 42 Labrador Retriever puppies from the age of 4 months to the age of 2 years. The study contained limited pathologic evaluations for comparison with the radiographic findings.

Compare the reliability results from both of these studies with the 89.9% reliability of OFA preliminary evaluations based on a study of 3,369 dogs. OFA evaluations are subjective and consider a number of factors other than laxity. Techniques using measurements imply an objective evaluation but, while the measurement per se is objective, the interpretation of its meaning is subjective.

A 1989 controlled study on an older dog population noted that some dogs with "abnormal" laxity are free of hip dysplasia at necropsy examination and the authors questioned the meaning of joint laxity. This stress study used a standard pressure for the stress device and included pathologic data on all dogs in the study.

It has long been recognized that joint laxity may play an important role in the development of dysplasia, but it is not the only factor. It is also clear that the pathologic evidence necessary to determine what happens in the hips that are lax but do not develop DJD, or vice versa, remains unavailable. Therefore, the necessary data to support breeding or treatment recommendations is unavailable. It is obvious that dogs with "tight" hips tend to be normal and those with "loose" hips tend to be abnormal. What happens between the two extremes remains unknown. Further research of a carefully controlled nature, not survey results, is needed for the understanding of the meaning of joint laxity.

Clearly, the currently available evidence cautions against using information from any method involving stress radiography as the sole criterion for diagnosis, breeding, or treatment decisions. However, the technology for the PennHIP method has now been turned over for commercialization. Therefore, further stimulation for use of the method can be expected through advertisement and other marketing techniques directed at breeders.
breed clubs, and veterinarians. Based on review of the current scientific literature and prior experience with joint laxity as determined by palpation or stress radiography, it is my opinion that clinical use of the PennHIP method appears to be premature. My major concern is that history appears to be repeating itself and there is a great potential for abuse.

References:
SIT
A book review by Joyce Smith

It is not often that I find a book so entrancing that I would take the time to write a book review but "Sit" is such a book. It is a book of dog portraits by Thierry Poncelet with text by Bruce McCall. This is not an ordinary book of dog pictures - this is a book of formal dog portraits. What makes these portraits so unique is that the heads of the dogs are skillfully painted in and incorporated onto the bodies of real people. There are ten chapters of dogs with such groupings as Artists & Aesthetes, Royals & Bluebloods, Cads, Rotters & Rogues, and Dogs of War; and seventy-one individual portraits.

Some of the aristochiens are: The Gilded Burymores, Le Vicomte de Dogerelle, Frau Irmtraud Katzundhunde, Baron Lutz von Wag, Karl-Heinrich Mutz, Jacques Russell, and Major General Otto von Schnauzer. Each of the portraits is accompanied by a wonderful, tongue-in-cheek description of the portrait sitter. Major General Otto von Schnauzer is, of course, a Schnauzer clad in the full uniform of an old-time general. Frau Irmtraud Katzundhunde is a dog (the text says she is a social climber who claimed to be "born Pomeranian") clad in the clothes of a sixteenth century lady who became the "leader of her Dresden social pack". Jacques Russell is, of course, a Jack Russell terrier who as the text says "is a terrier although a son of a bitch." Karl-Heinrich Mutz according to the text is "Dalmation by birth" who "makes everything black and white" whose "pyromania" makes him "go racing off to a four-alarm blaze" and who prefers "the company of firemen to that of diplomats."

It is easy to imagine some of the great portraits such as the Mona Lisa, Blue Boy, or Whistler's Mother with the head of a dog painted in. Imagine a Briard head on Louis XIV, Charlemagne or Marie Antoinette!

The book is "Sit" published by Workman Publishing Company, Inc., 708 Broadway, New York, NY 10003 and can probably be found at most bookstores. It is perfect as a coffee table conversation book and all dog people should be fascinated by it. Hope you enjoy it.

ODDS AND ENDS

MISSING ISSUES? - If you move and forget to notify the BCA Secretary of your new address, third class mailed Dewclaws are not forwarded (effective with the Fall 1993 issue.) The issues, however, are returned to the editor for capture of the new addresses for notification to the BCA Secretary.

REGIONAL SPECIALTY - Don't forget the regional specialty at the Harrisburg Kennel Club's All Breed Show in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania (Pennsylvania State Farm Show Building) on April 16, 1994 hosted by the Atlantic States Briard Club. There's a supported entry at the Mason and Dixon show the next day at the same location.

BRIARD GREETING CARD - Gina Pharo discovered a Hallmark card featuring a Briard on the front. The saying is "Should I say thanks...or just lick your face?"

BRIARD DRAWINGS - The picture on the next page was sent in by Aija Keiss. It is a composite of several pictures of her BRIARD as a youngster. Aija's sister, Dzintra, drew it for her for Christmas. If anyone is interested in having their Briard captured in drawings or paintings, the may contact Dzintra Keiss, an accomplished artist at 3329 Fontana Avenue, San Diego, CA 92117, phone number (619) 276-8373.
THANK YOU!

TO ALL WHO MADE THIS POSSIBLE

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• 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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Obedience Trial
Parade of Titleholders
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August 19  Friday
Puppy and Veterans Sweepstakes
Judges Workshop
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August 20  Saturday
Regular Breed Classes
Junior Showmanship
Awards Banquet
Bri-Art

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DOG DAYS FOR ALLERGIES: POTENT ALLERGENS AND POLLINATION PEAKS

Midwest (Minnesota, Iowa, Missouri, Wisconsin, Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio and eastern halves of Nebraska and Kansas)

- Kentucky Blue Grass May - July
- Timothy Grass May - July
- Perennial Rye May - July
- Oak April - June
- Maple April - May
- Ragweed August - October
- Firebush August - September
- Cocklebur September - October


- Perennial Rye April - July
- Cottonwood February - March
- Ragweed August - September
- Tumbleweed August - October
- Firebush August - September
- Sagebrush August - October

Pacific Northwest (California north of Monterey, western halves of Oregon, Washington and Alaska)

- Timothy Grass April - July
- Perennial Rye April - July
- Elm February - April
- Cottonwood February - April
- Tumbleweed August - October
- Mugwort September - October

Northeast/Mid-Atlantic (From West Virginia and northern Virginia to Maine)

- Kentucky Blue Grass May - July
- Perennial Rye May - July
- Birch April
- Oak April - June
- Ragweed August - October

Southern California (South of Monterey and west of San Bernardino)

- Bermuda Grass April - November
- Perennial Rye April - August
- Oak March - May
- Sycamore March - May
- Sagebrush July - October

Southwest Desert (New Mexico, Arizona and southern tips of California, Nevada and the western tip of Texas)

- Bermuda Grass April - November
- Perennial Rye May - July
- English Plantain April - July
- Tumbleweed July - October
- Sagebrush September - October

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An EM Industries Company
Central Texas (Texas and Oklahoma west of Tulsa)

Bermuda Grass  April - August
Perennial Rye   April - August
Cedar           January - March
Ragweed         August - October
Tumbleweed      July - October

Southern Subtropical (Hawaii, Puerto Rico and southern tip of Florida)

Bermuda Grass  All year
Perennial Rye  March - December
Australian Pine December - March

Southern (From Arkansas, Kentucky and southern Virginia to Florida, including the eastern tip of Texas)

Bermuda Grass  April - July
Kentucky Blue Grass  April - July
Perennial Rye  April - July
Pecan           March - May
Oak             March - April
Ragweed         August - October
Pigweed         August - October

Sketches illustrate religious tales

For non-Wyandotte resident Alice
Indian Clark's pen and ink sketches
are part of heristream in illustrated
weekly columns for Robertson County
Eagle in Killeen, Texas. This Oct. 14
sketch is one of the 35 this
year for the newspaper by
JoAnn Clark. The sketches
were selected from the work of	
Indian Clark. Alice
refers to herself as an
artist, although she
also teaches school
children in the
Killeen Public
School System.

Submitted by Carol Ernewein
Man's Best Friend

Wagging tail
and honest eyes
a friend forever
who'll never lie.
He'll stand beside you
through it all;
Facing challenges
when they call.
And when you need
a caring shoulder,
He’s right beside you -
solid as a boulder.
Always staying
'til the end -
There’s no one else
like man’s best friend.

Written by Annette Adamcyak while she received her physical therapy treatment.

Submitted by Aija Keiss

Each year, BCA members are provided with the opportunity to contribute to BCA medical and rescue funds when they submit their dues payment. The following members have contributed to the funds.

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BRIARD RESCUE SCULPTURE

This sculpture was made EXCLUSIVELY for Briard Rescue, and it is NOW available for purchase. All profits from the sale of this piece will be donated to the Briard Rescue Fund. It is a limited edition sculpture and will NOT be mass produced!!

This piece, an adult Briard rescuing a Briard puppy, is entitled "Rescued". It was designed and sculpted by Judith R. Damon. And each sculpture ordered, will be hand painted to YOUR specifications, making it a "one of a kind" collector's item!!

The actual sculpture measures 5-3/4" high by 7" long by 3-1/2" wide. And it is available in your choice of colors: Tawny, Black, or any combination of the two.

This limited edition is available for the low low price of $50.00 in U.S. currency. And you may order yours now (up to two pieces per order), by filling out the order form below, then submit it with a check made out to: JRD Art, Inc., and mail to:

JRD-"Rescued"
P.O.Box 456
Topsfield, MA 01983

Please allow 4 to 6 weeks for painting and delivery. And once again, ALL profits will be donated to the Briard Rescue Fund.
Thank You.

"RESCUED" Sculpture in Tawny or Black:
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Enclose a check made payable to JRD Art, Inc. ($50 for each piece)
HOMEOPATHY and HERBAL SUPPLEMENTS...
COMPLIMENTARY HEALTH CARE FOR YOUR PET

by Marina Zacharias

As a breeder of Championship Basset Hounds, I have witnessed many breeders struggle with the constant plague of health and fertility problems that persist within domestic animals today. Of course, professional advise should always be sought when serious illness or injury, but many needlessly trips to the veterinarian could be saved with use of Homeopathic and Herbal remedies.

One of the greatest disadvantages of orthodox medicine can be its strength. Not only can it treat the illness for which it was prescribed, it may also produce alarming side effects. Homeopathy and herbs can be used successfully in conjunction with conventional therapies, or as importantly, on their own, for treatment and prevention for all kinds of conditions.

Homeopathy is an exceptionally safe form of medicine that utilizes microdoses of substances from plants and minerals, to stimulate a body's natural healing response. The basic principle of Homeopathy has been known since the time of the ancient Greeks. It is based on the principle of treating like with like. By virtue of their infinite dilution, homeopathic remedies are completely safe, non addictive and have no unwanted side effects.

I have used many homeopathic and herbal remedies with outstanding success. Here are simply a few remedies that I would not be without.

HOMEOPATHIC REMEDIES: Aconitum Napelhas 30c - This is the main remedy for any infectious diseases or fever cases. When used at the very earliest signs of symptoms it can be successful in halting the disease. I have been successful in warding off Kennel Cough with this remedy and the use of Drosera 30c. Drosera is a remedy for all types of dry non-productive coughs.

When any of my dogs get stung by bees or other insects they immediately get several doses of Apis 30c for swelling and Ledum 30x for pain. This is always in my tack box when I am out at summer shows as it brings instant relief. Use Apis at the first signs of any swellings. Ledum is the best remedy for puncture wounds and is a good preventative treatment to avoid tetanus or infection.

Nux Vomica 30x is a remedy I never leave home without. It is excellent in alleviating any digestive or stomach upsets. Particularly efficient in relieving painful gas situations caused by over eating or eating of the wrong foods. If you have an animal who suffers from motion sickness give Nux Vomica and the remedy Cocculus 6x. Both remedies are given half an hour before the journey and once an hour thereafter.

Arnica 30x is used for bruises or injuries such as sprains or strains. My dogs are always racing around and every once in awhile one will come up lame. I'll dose hourly for the first four doses and then three to four times a day until improvement. Usually by the next morning you can never tell that the dog was limping. If you see the dog injure himself or fall, use it immediately. I also give it before and after any surgical procedure.

For care of the bitch during pregnancy I use the following homeopathic remedies:
Viburnum Opulus 30c - For animals who have shown a history of miscarriages. Can be given daily during the first two weeks of pregnancy.
Caulophyllum 30c - This is the main remedy to help ensure a normal pregnancy. This remedy can be given one dose every two weeks throughout the pregnancy with the final dose given during the last week. If there is any difficulty with the uterus failing to dilate properly it can bring about relaxation if given frequently for a few doses, i.e. one dose every half hour for four doses. It revives labor contractions and can be tried before Pituitrin.
Arnica 30c - Two doses of this remedy can be given in the final week of pregnancy. It will reduce the likelihood of damage to tissues at whelping time. Can be given post partum, three doses a day for three days, as it will be instrumental in restoring tone to the birth canal.
Sepia 30c - A single dose of this remedy after whelping will help to ensure that uterus will quickly return to normal and will thus prevent straining and tendency to prolapse.
Uritca Urens 30x - If milk production does not get going or is slow to come in, one dose will help to stimulate it.

Fading Puppy Remedy - I would not raise a litter without this on hand! It has saved countless puppies from this mysterious syndrome. It can be given as a preventative from birth or use at the first signs of trouble. It can help to get the pups going after a c-section; stimulate weak pups, and use after dew claws or tail docking to help alay trauma.

HERBAL REMEDIES: One of the best books on the subject is written by an English herbalist. Juliette de Bairacli Levy, called "The Complete Herbal Handbook for the Dog and Cat." Levy has traveled the world in search of authentic and original herbal treatments for animals since the 1930's. I have found her formulas to be excellent and my dogs have obtained true good health with the use of these supplements. For example, I recently imported a one year old dark tri-color bitch, whose nose pigment was pink on the sides and around the lips. I started adding 1/4 tsp. of NR Seaweed Mineral Food once a day and within three weeks her nose was totally black and her lips dark. This supplement combines deep sea-kelp, nettle, comfrey, and cleavers, which promotes the general well being of all animals, including; good bone; strong and thick hair; healthy teeth; full milk supply in females and strong nerves for all. I give this supplement daily and I am always receiving comments on healthy my dogs look. As it contains essential trace minerals, it is valuable in cases of stool eaters when given twice the usual amount.
The other daily supplement I use is NR Daily Health tablets. This is a unique formula of garlic, molasses, seaweed, couch grass and hops in a barley base. Dogs that are confined to a kennel or the boundaries of a property, lack these natural vegetable foods and herbs, which are essential for good health. (When dogs are given the chance they eagerly seek out and grace on couch grass. Its medicinal properties cleanse the system.) This supplement is a good appetite restorer and is a definite improvement over plain garlic tablets. With regular usage my dogs rarely have any flea problems. I feel that garlic alone, of course, does not prevent fleas but it is a vital internal cleanser which helps keep the dog in a true state of health. Fleas like to host off the sickly animal and not a healthy one.

The most important herbal formula I use is Herbal Compound tablets. This is composed of seven herbs of exceptional powers for disease prevention and cure. This compound strengthens the animal's immune system. I use them weekly, but in particular, before I go to any shows or public parks where many dogs may have been. I was once directly exposed to a Parvovirus case at a show. (Someone actually brought a sick puppy to the show! When he was discovered, the owner was promptly removed from the area. Unfortunately, I and others were parked next to their set-up and had directly exposed all of our dogs!) I proceeded to dose all my dogs with the Herbal Compound at a 50% higher than normal dose for a course of 10 days. (the incubation period) To my relief all the dogs remained in perfect health. I later heard that a handler, who had also been exposed, did have some of his dogs contract the disease, but of course were treated immediately and survived the struggle. The other benefit of using the compound is that when given to my bitches from mating until weaning, I have never had to worm any of my puppies! The healing properties are passed through the milk while promoting a good healthy milk flow.

For bitches that are pregnant I give the Birth Aid. It is a blend of Wild Raspberry leaf, Dandelion leaves, Wild Hawthorn or Rose Fruits, Elder, Dill, and Tonic (tree) Spice. These are age old proven herbs for helping in an easy pregnancy and birth. These tablets are easy to administer and takes the guess work out of giving the correct dosage. I have found this blend to be much more effective than raspberry leaf alone.

From the lengthy experience that I've had using homeopathy and herbs, I am convinced of the effectiveness in the power of prevention that these medicines possess. Health problems are minimized with the daily use of herbs and for any problems that should arise, homeopathy is an effective form of first treatment.

If you would like to learn more about homeopathic and herbal remedies; reputable companies that supply them; recommended books; or where to find veterinarians who specialize in this field, call me or write to: Marina Zacharias, P.O.Box 1492 Sumas, WA. 98295 Ph. # (604) 856-2050, Fax # (604) 856-4099
NEW CHAMPION

CHAMPION NE ORAGEUX HABILE AFFAIRE B, HC

Owners: Sara Erickson, Wm and Rebecca Weber
Breeders: Wm and Rebecca Weber
Whelped: March 10, 1992
Finished: CH - October 17, 1993
HIC - August 12, 1993

SIRE: CH. Raffoler de Mielleux Ours
DAM: AM/CAN CH. Mieelleux's Orageux de Cembre CD, CGC, HC, VT

CHAMPION GABRIELLE DE LA BRIONNERIE

Owner: Virginia Kruft
Breeder: Pierre Lefebvre, France
Handler: J.R. Alcantara
Finished: January 9, 1994

SIRE: E Dit Sam de la Brionnerie
DAM: Vanille de la Brionnerie

"Annie"

CHAMPION:

SIRE: CH. Phydeau Filo de Reves Mielle CGC, HC
CH. Southpoints Absarokee HT

DAM: CH. U Know Mielleux de Bonheur CD

CHAMPION:

SIRE: Calypso de la Mauvine
DAM: Ocarius des Carries Noires
NEW TITLES

CHAMPION SOUTHPAWS GIVE EM HELL HAIRY, HS, JHD, CGC
"Tugs"

Owners: Steve Anderson and Lynn McMillan
Breeder: Barb Lynch and Lynn McMillan
Handler: Nancy Weir-Anderson
Whelped: December 4, 1991
Finished: HS - January 24, 1994
JHD - November 21, 1993
CGC - August 1, 1993

CH. Chien de Sel U.B. Good, CD
SIRE: Mes Ami E's Famous Amos
CH. Mes Ami Cheesecake

AM/CAN CH. Bigtree's Bonzai Buckaroo
DAM: CH. Bigtree's Do You Wanna Dance
Bigtree's Angelique du Pres

NEW CHAMPION

CHAMPION PRINCESS GRACE DE GENOA

Owner: Wm. Gary Ayers
Whelped: November 15, 1992
Finished: September 26, 1993

SIRE: CH. Mon Ami H. Bumper VSB
DAM: CH. Mon Jovis Felicite de Genoa
NEW COMPANION DOG EXCELLENT

CHAMPION U-CD FEDORA DE LINDEAU, CDX, CKC-CD, CGC

Owner: Diane Reid
Breeders: Robert R. Ferber and Linda L. Wells
Whelped: October 9, 1990
Finished: November 13, 1993

SIRE: CH. El Dragon Magique de Lindeau
CH. Votre Magic Marker de Lindeau
CH. Lindeaux Trademark

DAM: Lindeaux Alouette de Lutece
CH. Tosca de L’Eminence CD

BREEDERS WHO HAVE OR ARE EXPECTING PUPPIES
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