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President's Report - Sept. 1, 2003

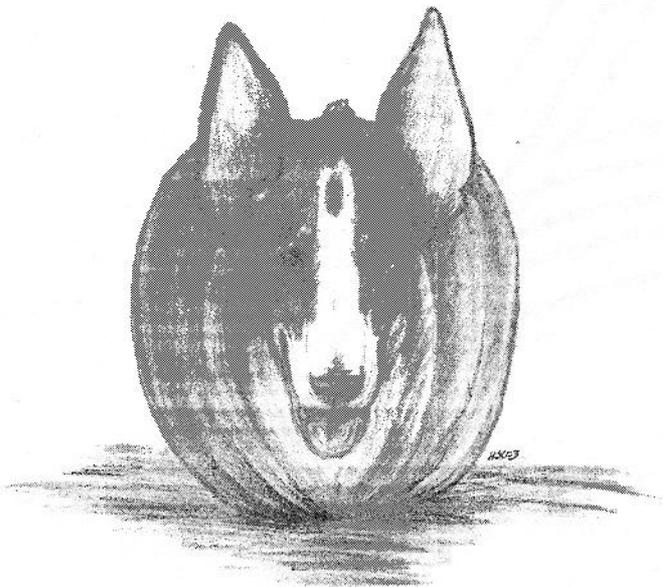
Wow, another busy month! After reading the last couple of things I wrote up for the Third Eye, I swore this one would be short (er), sweet, and to the point. So, here we go!

Hopefully, you are reading this in early October, as the Third Eye is getting back on schedule! This issue's deadline was September 1. Since the deadlines are printed in each issue, there should be no surprises to anyone that the next deadline will follow on December 1. Maybe the surprise is that we are serious about getting back on track. This is especially important because the Third Eye is our official publication of IHCUS. No matter what else may be available for the club to use to keep in touch with each other, official correspondence and business is printed here for all members to have a hard copy. The biggest reason this issue was pushed to hold to the printed deadline was to ensure these important items were sent out in a timely manner. There is a lot going on for the membership with this issue of the Third Eye – everything from our yearly membership renewal forms to voting for the 2005-2006 specialty judges, from the new Breeder Referral Application to approving some changes

in the By-Laws. And don't forget we are soliciting bids for the 2005-2006 National Specialty locations, too! Please be sure to carefully check each item needing a response, as there are different dates each may be due back. In fact, rather than miss out, send any replies back to the Secretary as soon as possible and do not wait until the last moment.

As I am sure everyone is aware, it took a while longer to get the new Board up and moving than I had anticipated. A large part of this was due to the fact we were very serious about trying to strictly adhere to doing things according to the IHCUS Constitution and By-Laws. However, it became obvious very early on that the By-Laws pertaining to the Board's use of email were difficult to understand and use. In fact, that was one of the major factors in the delays in getting the Board set up. Consequently, in July, the Board voted to act as a committee of the whole in order to re-work the By-Laws and rules pertaining only to the use of e-mail by the Board. We needed something more easily understood and applied as we move forward. Why? Because the world as we know it has been changing rapidly and we

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proud and happy Ibizan owner.....

IBIZAN HOUND CLUB OF THE UNITED STATES - SECRETARY REPORT

Applications Will Now Be Accepted For The 2005/2006 IHCUS SPECIALTIES
The deadline for applications is January 2, 2004 You can download and print an
application from the Club website
<http://www.geocities.com/Heartland/Pointe/2446/IHCUS.htm> or, contact
the secretary for an application. lisa@lisapuskas.com 602-493-7080 PO
Box 55145, Phoenix, AZ 85078

July 31, 2003 – Motion to approve the AKC Gazette article passed unanimously.

August 18, 2003

- 1) Passed MOTION: that IHCUS set guidelines and allow the use of the name IHCUS for the IHCUS email group list that is currently moderated by Rose Bednarski. The guidelines would be that the list would be subject to the authority of the IHCUS Board, and since an actual person is required by Yahoo to set up and control the list, it would be owned and moderated by Rose Bednarski. A second moderator, selected by the board, may be added to the newsgroup to help Rose run the newsgroup. Rose would agree in writing by snail mail or email to maintain and moderate the list under Club guidelines for two-year periods, beginning and ending with each Club election. Each new Board would need to renew the contract. In the event that the Board decides to discontinue the list, Rose would cancel and remove it from the Yahoo groups. This list would be used for unofficial discussions relating to IHCUS. If it is desired that IHCUS conduct official business on this list in the future, it must first be put to a vote of membership in any area required by the by-laws. Lisa Puskas motions. Carol Dickerson Kauffman seconds. All approved
 - 2) Passed MOTION: Provided that motion # 1 passes, the IHCUS logo will be allowed to be used for the identifying photo appearing on the home page of the Yahoo newsgroup for IHCUS members only. Lisa Puskas motions. Carol Dickerson Kauffman seconds. All approved except Katie Campbell not approved.
 - 3) Passed MOTION: Lisa Puskas makes a motion that a new Breeder Referral application be sent to the membership. I feel that the previous committee did not allow enough time for breeders to sign up, thus there are only two breeders listed on the BR list. Since it will be months before any new breeders can appear on the list if we wait for the newsletter to send out the application, I propose that an application be mailed individually to the membership, with the application due three weeks from the postmark of mailing. I also propose that the new BR committee be instructed to develop and submit a BR packet for Board approval, and that club-approved breeders' names, states in which they reside, and email addresses be posted on the IHCUS website, with their permission, along with the information contained in the BR packet. Lisa Puskas motions. Katie Campbell seconds. All approved
 - 4) Passed MOTION: Lisa Puskas motions for IHCUS to host an "AKC Meet The Breeds" booth on December 3, 2003, at the Long Beach Conventions Center in Long Beach, CA. This will be in conjunction with the AKC/Eukanuba National Invitational Championship. There is no charge to IHCUS for the booth. Michelle Brown (new IHCUS applicant) has offered to be responsible for manning the booth. If passed, literature provided by the IHCUS Breeder Referral committee will be sent to Michelle for distribution at the booth. Only Board-approved literature can be laid out for distribution. Katie Campbell seconds. All approved
 - 5) Passed MOTION: Lisa Puskas motions that the Board appoints one person to pull together the information requested by David Frei and submit it to the Board for approval. Carol Dickerson Kauffman seconds. All approved
 - 6) Passed MOTION: Katie Campbell has volunteered to organize the requested information for David Frei. Lisa Puskas motions that Katie Campbell be appointed to organize this request, as provided in motion # 5. Bonnie Flemming seconds. All approved except Rose Bednarski and Carol Dickerson Kauffman not approved
 Alice Mirestes did not respond to the August 18 ballots.
- August 26, 2003 – Passed MOTION: Lisa Puskas motions, Rose Bednarski seconds, that the new Breeder Referral application be accepted by the Board. (complete vote count not available by newsletter deadline.)

President's letter continued....

must try and keep up. Even the AKC is advocating the use of electronic business and we are merely following suit. As such, the best of what was previously in place was kept, a Standing Rule was incorporated into a By-Law, and while individual choice regarding e-mail use was preserved, the new By-Laws will ensure that members who cannot do business by email can receive all notices by snail-mail, yet the rest of the Board will be able to continue doing business as usual. I sincerely hope the membership approves these new By-Laws, but would remind all IHCUS members that, once we approve them, they will also be sent to AKC for approval.

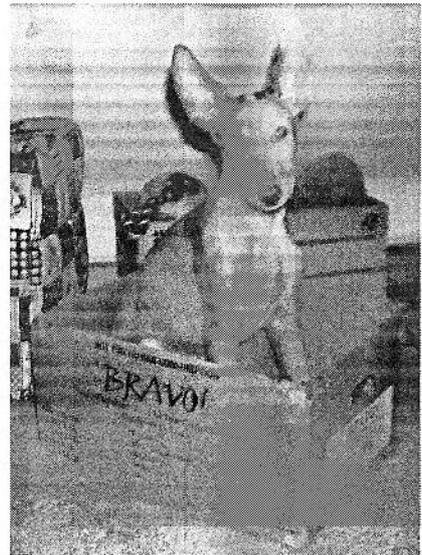
Please notice the new Breeder Referral forms, presented by the Breeder Referral committee and recently approved by the Board. Because we are moving more and more into the 21st century, much of the Breeder Referral information will be posted on the IHCUS website to have it more accessible to the public. There is now a place on the BR application to mark indicating whether a breeder wishes to be listed in the IHCUS website and receive direct contacts from the public. However, it is still a matter of choice whether any given name is posted on the website, so please be sure to mark that area indicating your willingness to be listed on the website. And, again, if you are interested in being listed through Breeder Referral, do not hesitate but send your forms back in ASAP. We don't want anyone to feel they were "left out" this year.

At any rate, though, your Board has been busy! Plans are going forward for the 2004 National in New Jersey. More details on that will be coming out as they are put firmly in place. And, as always, feel free to contact me directly with any comments or suggestions at hscdavallia@yahoo.com or 479 273 2570. In the meantime, the Fall shows and activities are cranking up. Good luck to everyone and Happy Ibizaning!

Heidi Clevenstine
President

Secretary's report cont'd....

August 28, 2003 – Passed
MOTION: Lisa Puskas motions, Carol Dickerson Kauffman seconds, that the bylaws and standing rule changes be accepted by the Board and sent to the membership for a vote. (complete vote count not available by newsletter deadline.)



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HEALTH AND RESEARCH COMMITTEE REPORT

The Health and Research committee plans to have an IHCUS representative, Pam Mutchek, at the AKC Health Foundation conference in September. A report will follow.

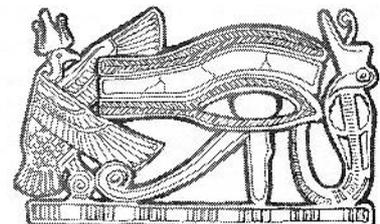
The committee plans to conduct a very thorough, anonymous research poll into health problems that affect our breed. This type of poll has been conducted by most national clubs. We studied more than a dozen other national club websites that have conducted health queries or are in the process of conducting queries before compiling the questionnaire for our breed. The results of this poll, complete with charts and detailed information, will be available on the IHCUS website once completed.

Please visit the IHCUS site at <http://www.geocities.com/Heartland/Pointe/2446/IHCUS.htm> for complete information and a link to the questionnaire. This is the first step towards beginning a logical, well-planned approach for addressing health problems in our breed. Committee members: Katie Belz, Alison Fagan, Lisa Puskas

Ways and Means Committee Report

At this time, we have no new business to report. We are working on several fundraising ideas and hope to get them off of the ground and started soon.

Nancy Billups
Ways and Means Committee
Chair



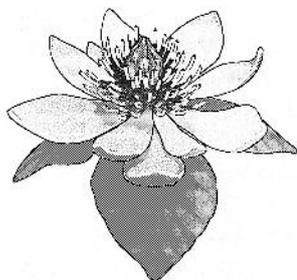
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March 30, 1993- August 14, 2003

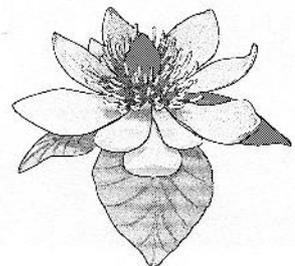


Sweet Mara left us unexpectedly
Mara's house mates:

CASA 12 yrs, SWIGGY 9 yrs, NINA 5 yrs, AKI 2 yrs, ANDY 2 yrs old



Nancy And Harry Stabler
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Breeder Referral Committee Report

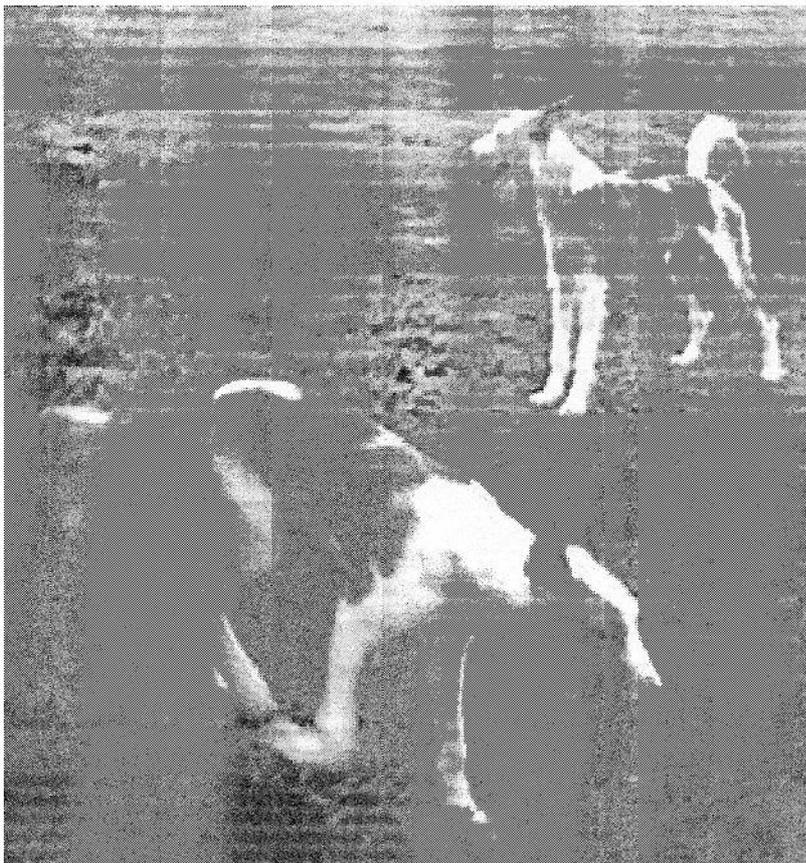
The new BR application has now been approved by the Board and should be included in this newsletter. Please fill it out and return to me at the address provided. At this time you can include the two health checks on each dog. If you don't include them now, these health checks must be received before the selling of any pups through BR.

The rest of the BR packet is going to go before the Board the first of September and we hope to have it done before long. The new committee is trying to return some of the power back to the membership by putting the approved breeders who want to be listed on the IHCUS website. And for the ones that do not, they will be listed as always. It then becomes the breeder's job to do the screening and education of the public.

When the rest of the packet is approved, we hope to get it onto the website for the public to read. The new BR applicants are subject to random checks to ensure they are complying by the terms of BR.

I want to thank Elizabeth Binney and Lisa Puskas for their hard work and effort with BR.

Pam Mutchek



You go girl.....Photo by Pam Mutchek

Membership

Hello everyone.

I write this every month, but please remember, I am in charge of the membership list. ANY changes in your name, address, phone number, email address, kennel name, MUST be made to me as soon as you know them, so the club will have a current listing on your information. I know how easy it is to forget to tell someone about a change, so if you tell me right away, you won't be left out in getting your newsletter, important information concerning the club, etc.

I also want to remind you that there are a few past newsletters, from the previous years, available for \$5.00 each. Please contact me if you are interested in any of them.

Don't forget that IHCUS has a web site newsgroup. The address is <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/IHCUS/?yguid=1277205>. All IHCUS members are welcome to be a part of it. This is where you can discuss, suggest, ask questions, and chat about stuff going on with the Ibizan Hound Club of the United States.

IHCUS has lost a long time member and an good friend of mine and many others, Robbie Vanderpool. Robbie crossed over Rainbow Bridge on Sunday, August 3, 2003. Our deepest sympathies go to Don, Robbie's best friend and husband for many years.

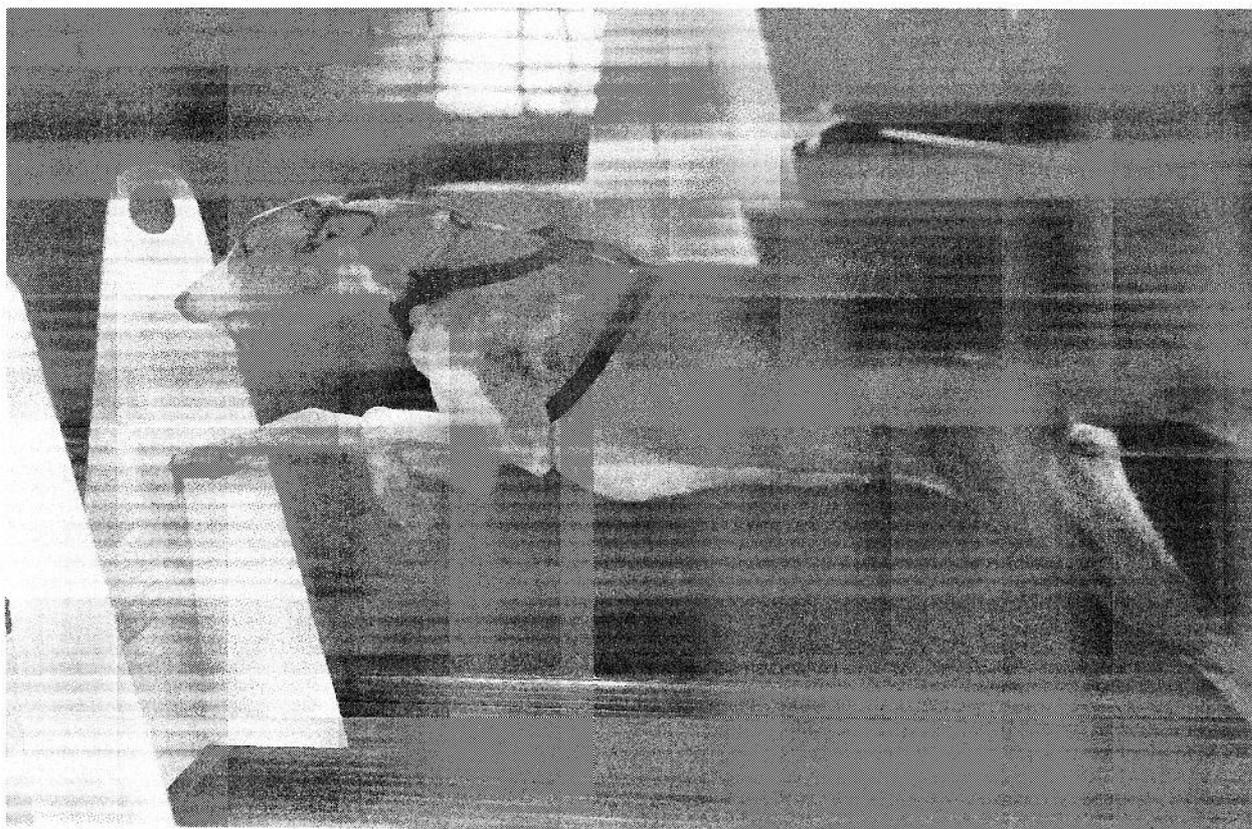
Two new membership applications were presented to the board for voting. Both were approved.

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templrwhip@aol.com

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Picture by Ken Gee Photography

ANNOUNCING FIRE ROCK'S SOUTHERN BELLE, CGC, FD



"SCARLETT"

Scarlett is the first Ibizan Hound to earn a title in the North American Flyball Association.

Title of FD "Flyball Dog" earned 8/17/03 Hutto, TX - Great Balls of Fire Flyball Tournament.

**This awesome girl is burning up the racing lanes in Texas.
Watch for her to continue setting flyball and breed history!**

******Watch for Scarlett's television debut on Animal Planet, October 18, 2003. She will be featured participating in conformation at the Reliant Park World Series of Dog Shows and completing her first flyball race ever in the Let Freedom Run Flyball Tournament!******

Owner / Handler: Alison Fagan

www.geocities.com/frostfire_kennels

Breeder: Bonnie Fleming

Membership continued....

Michelle Brown (Paulin)
Ahram Kennels
1245 North 8th Street
Colton, CA 92324
(909) 514-0558
ahramkennels@aol.com

New Member Applicants: Club members may send comments (email or land) to the Membership Committee Chairperson (me) about the applicants listed below before the next Board meeting to voted upon. According to the bylaws, applicants names will be printed in the newsletter quarterly, and then the membership has 3 weeks to comment on, before the next board meeting.

No new membership applications have been received.

Changes to your 2003 Membership List:

I forgot to include our new member's, Glenn Cameron's & Bonnie Kruger's phone number in the last issue:

Glenn's (214) 520-4200
Bonnie's Home (541)389-2636
Cell (541)390-1279
Fax (541)389-8310

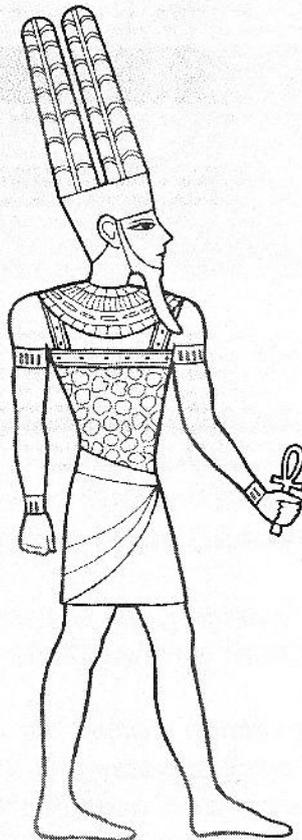
New info for:
K. Amber Duff (use to be Yazinski)
Ravenswood Sighthounds
ravenswoodhounds@earthlink.net
www.homestead.com/ravenswoodhounds

Al & Mary Crume
1555 Lyle Lane
Paso Robles, CA 93446-9321
806-237-9569

Judy Lange
3705 South 257th Street
Kent, WA 98032-5668
amunjkl@comcast.net

Sara Child Stevens (use to be Bushy)
130 Four Mile River Road
Old Lyme, CT 06371

Have a great winter!
Rose Bednarski
Membership Committee Chairperson



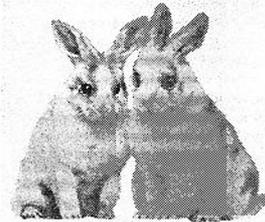
RESCUE COMMITTEE

Hello everyone.

Once again, I'm the Rescue Committee Chairperson. Our committee is working at updating the Rescue Protocol. Details will be in the next report. At this time there are not any Ibizans in foster care. If you are interested in helping out IHCUS Rescue with donations, homes, being a regional director, etc. Please contact me.

Have a great winter!

*Rose Bednarski
Rescue Committee Chairperson
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Judges Education

On 9-4-03 I sent an introductory letter to the members of the judges education committee.

On 8-25-03 I had received a request for an IHCUS approved presentation on the Ibizan Hound from Michael Heflin of DFWDJA Education Seminars in Texas. This seminar will take place in March of 2004 in conjunction with the Texas KC and the Fort Worth KC shows. I contacted Luane Williams and asked her if she would cover this assignment as she is in possession of the 1 and only IHCUS approved program for judges education at this time. She agreed to do the presentation.

Respectfully submitted
Susan Viveiros,
Chairman Judges Education

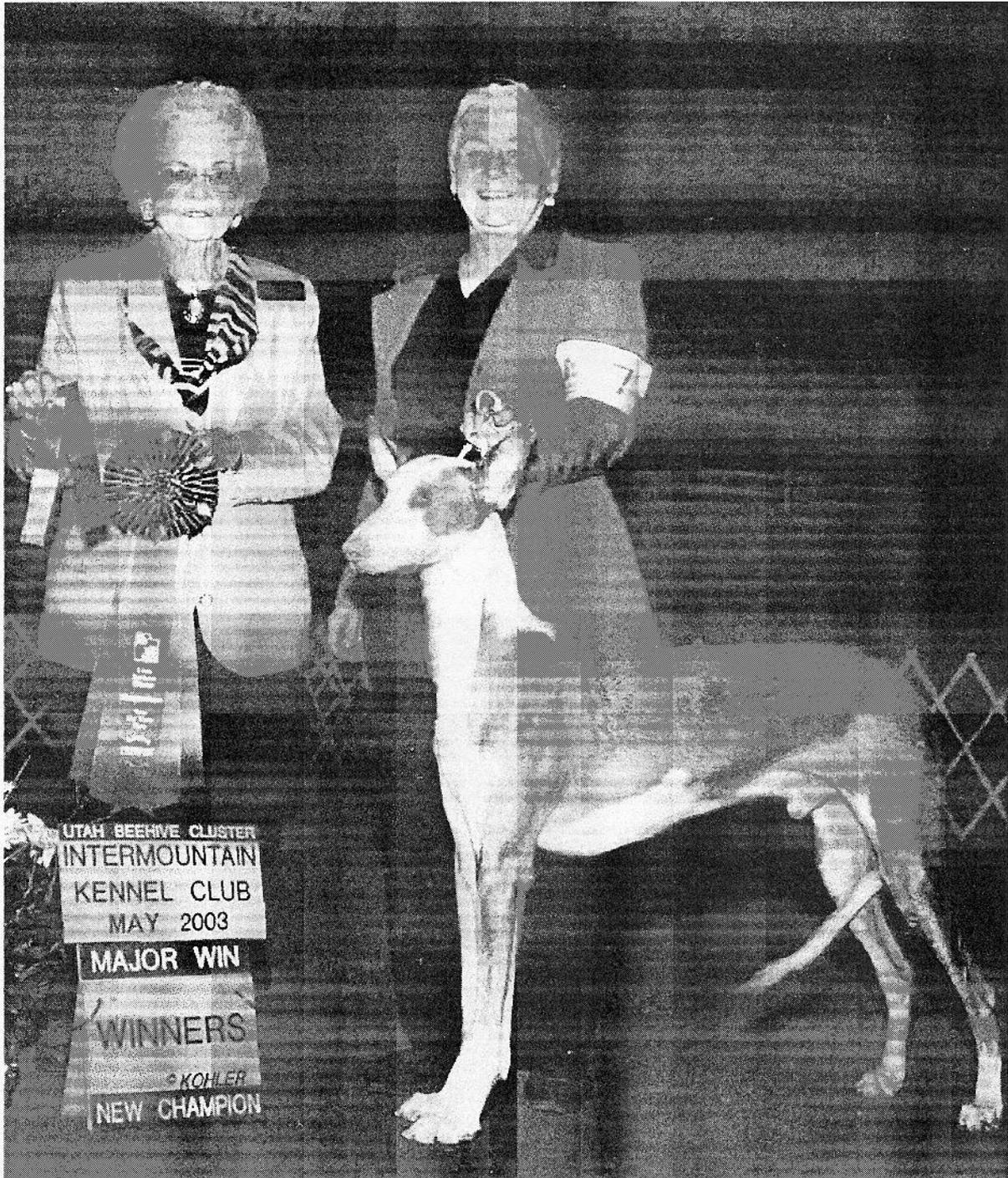


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HIS WAY



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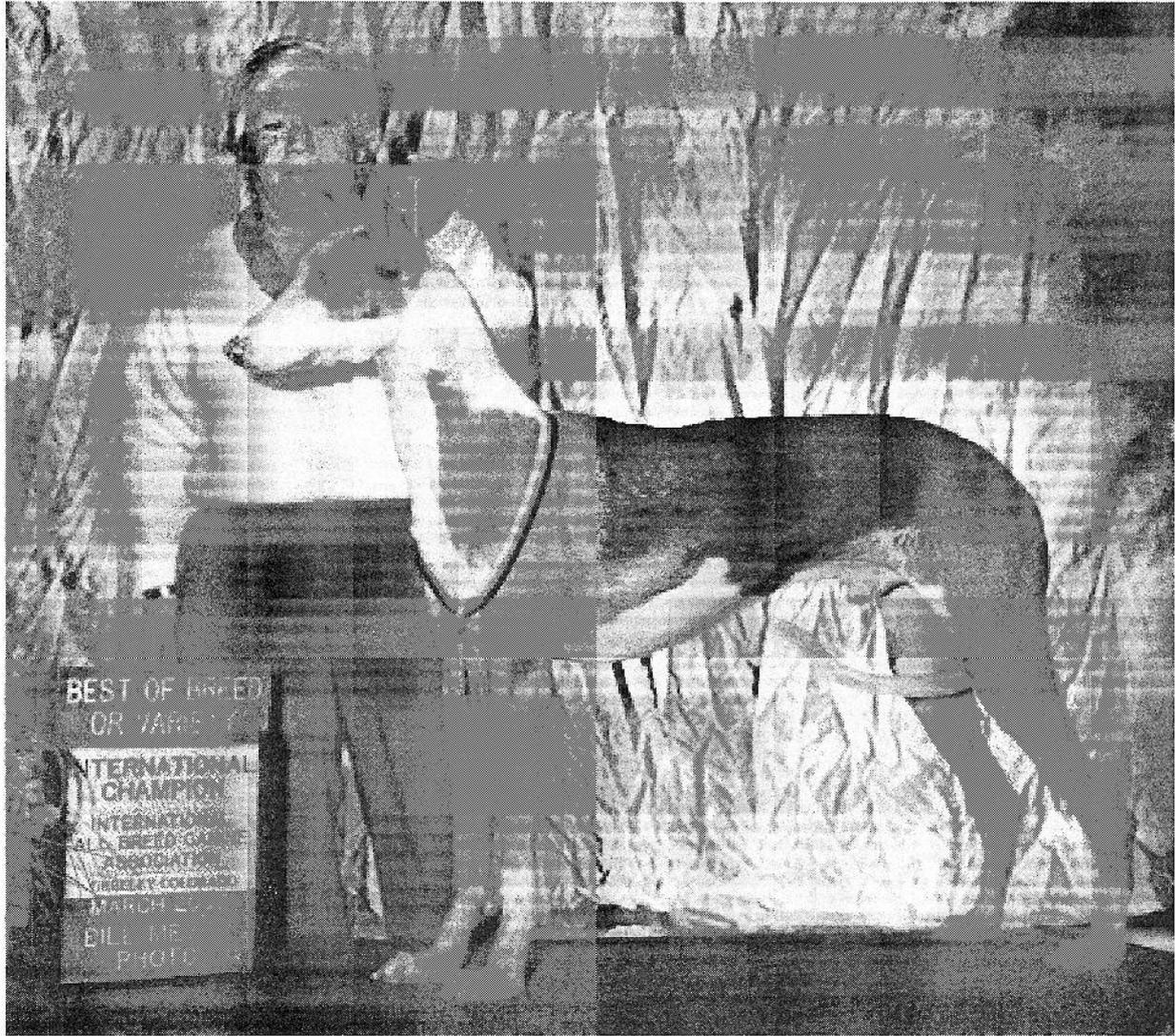
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BREED**

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FRANKIE



WHILE IN CANADA 6 BACK TO BACK BOB & A GROUP 3

SIRE: CH. PARADISE LEGACY O'BRAMBLEWOOD
DAM: CH. AHRAM'S LAHN OF HUNTAROT

BREEDERS: M. PAULIN-BROWN
L. PUSKAS

OWNER/HANDLER:
SUNNY LEWIS
P.O. BOX 1415
RED LODGE, MT 59068

THRU THE DOGGIE DOOR

By Bonnie Fleming

Sometimes we talk too much, and sometimes not enough.

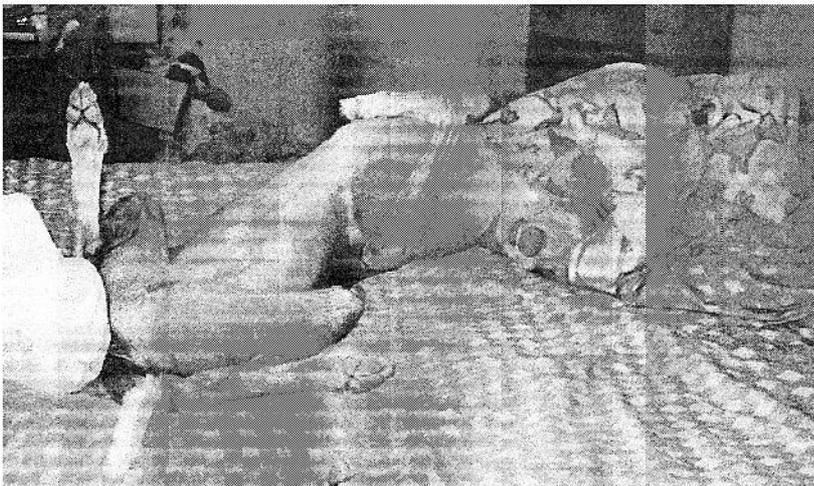
Rose Bednarski Simonson has gone to a great deal of work and effort to get a new chat line for IHCUS members up and running. And hardly anyone uses it. Shame on us. For years I have heard the same old litany - nobody evertalks to us. There's no communication between the officers and the members. How can we be listened to?

Well, guess what.? Your desires have been answered and NO ONE'S TAKING ADVANTAGE OF IT! Put your talk where your mouth has been, folks. The board reads that chatline every day. You want to get in touch with us? It's easy, folks. Not only is your board out there, actively listening, we have made it easy for you to get in touch with us, bring items up for discussion, etc. We are interested. Now, you need to talk to us!

Sometimes we talk too push that button, re-read it. Don't just fix the typos. LOOK at it. Does it really say what you want it to? Did you sign it? There's nothing so cowardly as an unsigned, really nasty e mail. I have gotten one or two. I have promptly had a hissy fit, deleted them and gone on. Those kind of people aren't worth paying any attention to and I won't. I have never sent an unsigned letter, and never will.

While you are proofing your epistle, put yourself in the recipient's shoes for a couple of minutes. Is it constructive criticism or just spouting? Well placed and well used anger can be very useful. It sure can get people off their behinds to accomplish something positive. Including you. Most people can accept constructive criticism, if it is couched in a polite manner and is truly helpful and well meant. If you do screw up (it always helps to sit on your hands for a few hours) apologize and both of you can move on. If you attacked someone publicly, on the chat line, be courageous enough to publicly apologize on the chat line. I cannot tell you how many times I have removed both feet from my mouth - in public - and retained the friendship because I had the guts to say, Hey, I screwed up.

I cannot tell you how much it hurts to be publicly castigated and be unable to defend myself, because the jerk didn't sign it. Now, if I can just cure Cam of always getting the last word. Just because I could never cure his Daddy ----- He's still a puppy, but I think I have already lost THAT battle.



Noah just relaxing after a hard day of play. Photo by Alanna Lowry

The AKC/Eukanuba National Championship:

Mark your calendars now to attend the year's most exciting dog show

WIIO: The American Kennel Club (AKC) and The Jams Company present the AKC/Eukanuba National Championship at the Long Beach Convention and Entertainment Center in Long Beach, Calif.

WHAT: This year's invitation-only competition marks the first time the AKC/Eukanuba National Championship will be held in conjunction with the AKC National Obedience Invitational and AKC National Agility Championship.

More than \$225,000 in prize money will be awarded at the third annual AKC/Eukanuba National Championship, making it the only dog show to offer significant cash prizes. The AKC/Eukanuba National Championship prize offering is the largest in dog show history, with \$50,000 cash and a 2004 Suzuki XL-7 4WD EX III (valued at over \$27,000) going to the national champion.

The AKC/Eukanuba National Championship invitational competition will feature about 1,500 of the world's finest show dogs representing the top 25 dogs in each AKC-recognized breed. This year marks the first time the competition will be open to international competitors.

The AKC/Eukanuba National Championship will be taped for broadcast at 8 p.m. EST, Jan. 31, 2004, on cable television's Animal Planet network. Last year's airing was the sixth highest-rated show in the history of Animal Planet.

WHERE: Long Beach Convention and Entertainment Center 300 East Ocean Boulevard Long Beach, Calif.

WHEN: Wed., Dec. 3, 2003

For more information visit www.akc.org or www.eukanuba.com

REMEMBERING ROBBIE VANDERPOOL

Robbie Vanderpool got her first Ibizan in 1980. In fact, Ch Sangabar Scimitar Ptolemy – from whom she took her kennel name of Ptolemy - came out of the same litter that produced Luane William's Salamanca and Mary McQuiddy's Big Red. But, while, Ptolemy was her first, he was certainly not her last. Eventually, she had a couple of litters and enjoyed the success of a breeder-owner. In fact, for many years, the competition in this area in our breed was usually Robbie, Luane, and myself and it was tough competition indeed.

It was during that period when we met, though I didn't meet Robbie herself until after I had met some of her dogs first. This was in the early 80's one of the first times we had a good sized Ibizan entry at the Tulsa shows. I had a few of my pups out of Jim and Ernie entered, there were some of Luane's dogs, and Robbie had sent some pups from her first litter, I think, up with some handlers. There were two young males in particular who, though very different in type, were very competitive in the classes that weekend— My Nubis and Robbie's Torry. Though Nubis dominated the ring on that circuit, eventually these two boys, along with Riser, were to go head to head as Specials in this area for years with all three enjoying successful show careers.

I always enjoyed competing with Robbie. The competitive spirit was always high, but it was always good sport. For all that we each privately damned the other person's dog's various physical faults and didn't always agree on what those faults were, neither of us were blind to the virtues of each other's dog. They were both so different from each other, judges usually liked one and hated the other - or vice versa - and we knew that. It was all just part of the competition. I like to think we shared a mutual respect for each other and acted accordingly because we recognized the love we both held for our very different boys. In fact, one of my favorite memories of Robbie is the two of us laughing on the phone about my holding Torry in my lap and cuddling him at his handler's set-up in Tulsa one year and others being surprised at seeing me loving on "The Competition".

When it came to the care of her own dogs, Robbie always felt that – win, lose, or draw – the welfare of her dogs was always more important than any accolades they might achieve in the ring. If Torry looked particularly nice at a show far from home that I attended, I always tried to let Robbie know he was happy and doing well because I knew how important that was to her. But it wasn't just her own dogs she felt strongly about either – she often became involved with needy beezers in her area. I know of many times she took a troubled dog in, sometimes removing it herself from bad conditions and paying for any and all vet fees. It is her name that used to come to my mind when Ibizan Rescue was mentioned as I well remember how many times over the years that she stepped in to help.

Robbie was serving as President of IHCUS the first time I got to attend an IHCUS National meeting. It was held at her house in Dallas in 1990. She worked hard to have a lovely buffet and meeting and I like to think she succeeded in presenting an enjoyable time for everyone, despite some of the tough issues that came up at that particular meeting. Later, she served on the IHCUS Board several times. Most recently, she filled in as Secretary during the elected Secretary's illness in 2000-2001. I know she helped many newcomers, not only those who were starting out in the breed themselves but also some young handlers as well. The breed has certainly lost a champion in her and she will be missed.

~Heidi Clevestine



Robbie and I met at a dog show in 1980 - where else????

She had an Ibizan Hound entered, the first in this area. This was THE BREED that I longed for. She knew of another puppy from the same litter as her male and gave me the contact. And this was the start of a 20+ year friendship.

We made arrangements with the breeder to meet at Robbie's home as she was also interested in a litter bitch but I was to get the 'pinto'. Well, Robbie got the pinto - Pteah - and I got Manca. Never did figure out how that happened.

Robbie and I were dog show friends for many years, each traveling in our own circle but keeping up with each other at shows and often by phone. We had differing opinions but that was really what made our talks so interesting. We could agree to disagree and still have fun. She had Afghans before the Ibizan Hounds so she really knew her way around the

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Robbie Vanderpool continued....

hound rings. We competed regularly at local shows. She did have her dog specialised and he was taken to the # 1 spot with ease by her very capable handlers. He was one of the first Ibizan Hounds to make an impact on the breed in the conformation world.

Robbie was a member of the Texas Kennel Club where she was a very hard worker. She chaired various committees and devoted herself to making each job a success. She held the office of President of IHCUS in the early 90's and held the annual meeting at her home - anyone who attended will never forget either the food or the service - she even had a butler serve with silver!!

She was also a sucker for a sob story. She went out of her way to help those in need, be they people or animals. This is how she 'saved' a Saluki. She invited me over to see this poor undernourished specimen that she had rescued. Thank God it was Robbie that took him in - anyone else would have left him at the pound! He flourished and even tho' Floyd would never be a show dog, Robbie nursed him back to health and he lived a long and pampered life in her home. All her dogs lived very well.

She was always 'doing' for the underdog. She volunteered both time and money whenever she thought it would make a difference. Robbie was extremely talented. She was an expert seamstress, gourmet cook (lunch at Robbie's was a delight), master flower arranger and organizer beyond belief!

I shall miss her and hope 'our' rotating phoenix has guided her trip to the beyond.

Luane Williams

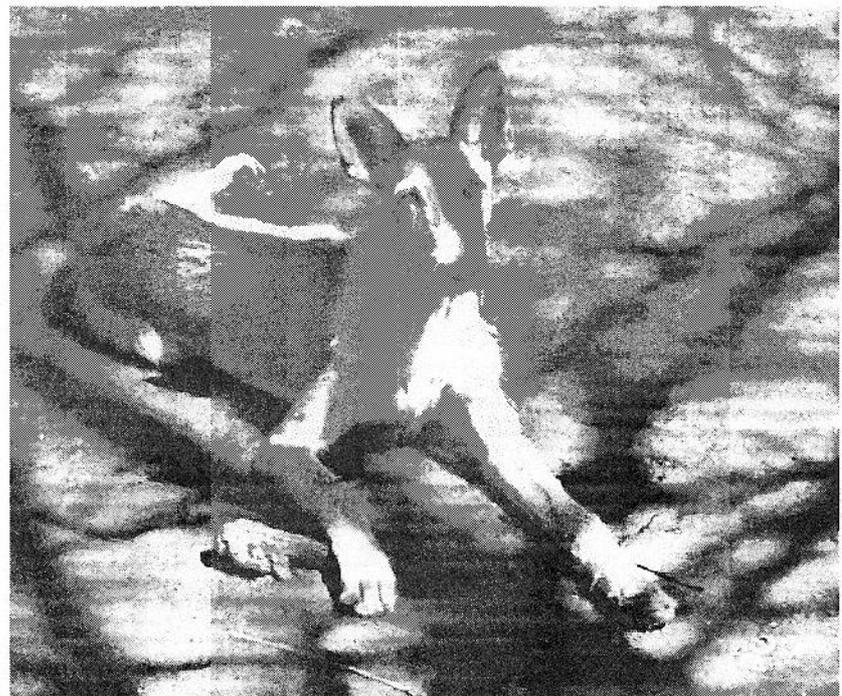


It as suggested to me that, as a long-time friend, I write something up about Robbie Vanderpool. I said, "I couldn't". I did not know Robbie as others did. Most people either didn't know Robbie at all, as she was one of the "older" members in IHCUS and not as active recently as she was in the past. Others knew Robbie because of her dogs. Robbie's kennel name was Ptolemy. Or maybe they remembered when Robbie was president of IHCUS, or stepped in as secretary of IHCUS after Stephanie Bonner was not able to perform duties due to medical problems. Or maybe they remember Robbie for her love of Ibizans. Yet did you know she also had a Saluki named Phloyd? Or maybe you remember all the donations Robbie made to IHCUS Rescue in memory of her kids that crossed Rainbow Bridge. That was when I started the Rescue committee and needed funds to help the rescued Ibizans I had. She was the first in line to donate money to help our breed.

But I knew Robbie differently. Robbie was my good friend, one of my best friends. She was like a mother to me. Robbie and I had known each other for more years than I can remember and our love of Beezers brought us together. Though we never met in person, we wrote letters, made telephone calls and when Robbie finally got a computer, we shared emails. Robbie and I talked about our dogs and she often said my dogs were her Godchildren. She loved the pictures I'd mail her. The joys we had with our kids, the sadness when they crossed Rainbow Bridge, our personal families, our lives, touched each other. We were very close. Robbie was one of the only people who I could tell my problems to, and in turn, Robbie, with her wisdom, helped me more times than I can remember.

My heart aches knowing Robbie and I are not going to share the "going on's" in our lives. Yet, I know Robbie is only gone in body, as she is looking down from heaven and still watching over me. Don (Robbie's husband of many years) and I will continue to share the "going on's" in our lives, as we have in the past. But without Robbie either writing or reading the events to us. I wish you all could have known Robbie as I did--she was one of the "special souls".

Rose Bednarski



Judge's Critique from 2003 IHCUS National- Eli-Marie Klepp

Dear all members and people of IHCUS~

First of all, I have to tell you how wonderful it was to be with you in Lynden, WA! I was so proud to be asked to be your judge at the Specialty 2003, and so fantastic to meet so many beautiful dogs and people! I only wish we had some more time together. I know "our" way of judging is a bit different from what you are used to. First we are able to have more time with each dog, then we always give written critics and some times also "open critics" (so everyone is able to hear why we do as we do). Well, I promised you I would give every one of you that kind of a critique-schedule we always make and this has been sent by post to Holly. I hope she will be able to forward it to you together with your magazine. (Please excuse my English language, but maybe it's better than your Norwegian??)

But I will also like to give you a kind of a resumè here and start with Puppy dog(1) :

Mardais Golden Fleece. A sweet 11 month baby who still needs to settle down in movement and became a bit braver. He will mature a lot !

In Dogs 12-18months(2) I found Boardwalkahram Lightscameraaction the most mature and filled out in body for the age and was the winner of this class. Both had nice heads . Both of the dogs moved narrow behind, no.1 with better drive from the side.

Open Dog (1) : Kok-Rapid De Can Pocaroba. An elegant male with nice head and neck. I really would have liked better angulation on him, and I found him a bit straight in the upper arms. But he was my WINNER DOG and I gave the reserve to Boardwalkahraam Lightscameraaction.

So to the Puppy bitches 6-9months (1): Wirtu's Spanish Cacophoney. A beautiful little bitch who only needs time to grow up into a swan! She started up very shy, but after a little time and some nice talk she forgot herself and I could examine her as I liked. I know that in the right hands she will get through this and have her self confidence back. I really hope to see her again some day.

Puppy bitches 9 to 12 months (3). 3 very different types, all with very nice heads and with correct eye-colour and nice expression. They also were angulated enough behind and showed good bodies. But when it came to the movement, Gryphons Monet Morning showed much better stability and balance coming and going, even if she also could have a better drive from the side. No. 2: Mardais Phocnix Phlycs, No.3: Gryphons Degas Dancer.

Bred by Exhibitor Bitches (3). 3 elegant bitches with lots of quality. Nice heads, good necks and substance on all, but No. 1 Mardais Konstanze Chonsu showed a much better balance and really covered a lot of mark. She had a well laid shoulder and a level topline.

No.2 Gryphons Picassos Princess very nice standing, but didn't at all want to co-operate when moving and lost the drive and balance. No.3 Wirtus Spanish Tantivey moved very narrow behind, crossing over in the front, maybe due to her young age.

Open Bitches – smooth(3). Again 3 beauties, with nice heads and expression. OK necks and very well used cars. No. 1 in this class was Necronomicon Flash 'N Flare, a solid but yet very elegant bitch with generous lines. An excellent underjaw, a long, strong neck and a very well built body would give her a good help under a hunt. She kept a strong topline all the time when moving and had excellent drive. I had no problem to award her WINNER BITCH!! No 2: Jemm's Exquisite Ana Alisian, very graceful also with an excellent topline. Very well muscled. Moved narrow behind, more balanced in her front. Reserve.

No 3: Bramblewood IcyCold Elegance. Very fine-boned and superfeminine; didn't show herself to the best this day.

Open bitches – wirehaired(3). All with typical heads and ears for a wire, sound and with nice coat-texture. They were at the same age and showed very good quality. Also, here I could have found better balance in the movements. No 1: Gryphons Mariah Mystique, very beautiful with proportioned head, correct topline and good slope at croup. Excellent side-drive movements. I really hope her self-confidence will be stronger with time, but there was no problem for me to examine her when she got her time and "nice talks". No 2. Gryphons Formentera Fantasy, a litter sister to no. 1. She also was lacking self-confidence, but calmed down nicely. A very sweet head and expression. Unbalanced coming and going. No.3: Gryphon's Divine Privelege. Powerful and strong .

So to Veteran Dogs(1). 7 1/2 years DC Gryphons Gypsy Rover. What a wonderful dog!!!

So sound in every single movement, one of few that today showed the real suspended far reaching trot and drive we want on this breed! Nice head with soft expression, excellent topline with no weak points. Adorable! My honour to the owner and breeder for such a marvelous male!

Lure Coursing Dogs (1). DC Gryphons Dark Victory. Another powerful and pleasant type with a good head and strong neck. Good breastbone. Very well muscled. Moved unbalanced, crossing over in the front. Very dependent on how he's handled.

Veteran Bitches (11). My absolute favorite class! How wonderful to see all those grand old ladies around the ring, from 7 1/2 to nearly 14 years old and absolutely everyone in extremely good shape! My deepest compliment, ladies and gentlemen! Of course there were some with a lack in movements, top-lines who had lost strength, some trembling legs and flat feet, BUT, everyone with nice heads, sweet expression, outgoing attitude and with clean, white teeth.

This also was the most difficult class for me; I wanted them all! It was a hard decision and I had to use time before I could give No.1 to: Sinsline Konstanze, 10 years. Still very powerful and sound with lots of charisma. Beautiful head, strong topline, correct angulations. Good drive from the side. No 2: Gryphons Stella Questa, 11 years. Pretty head, level topline and a good tuck up. Nice feet and excellent substance all over. Balanced coming and going.

No.3: Frontrunners Queen Bitch, 11 years. A good mover, and with a nice head and expression. Typical ears and feet for a rough. Excellent texture of coat. No 4: Bramblewood's Taali of Husn, 10 years. Kept in wonderful shape, strong neck and topline. Nearly too deep in brisket. Noble head. Moved with good drive from the side.

Lure Coursing Bitches(3). Sisters, sisters - ! 3 elegant bitches showing lots of strength. Nice heads, long and well muscled necks. Good sizes. Good ribcages. No 1: Gryphon's Winchester Cathedral, moved quite well and kept her topline. Correctly angulated. No 2: Gryphon's Londonderri Aire, with a noble head and nice expression. Stable, but could have a better drive. No 3: Gryphon's A Vienna Woods Tale. Feminine and like her sisters of a good type and size. A bit long in the topline, moved OK.

Best of Breed Competition. 7 males and 8 bitches.

First the males, which was of a very high quality. Good sizes, overall nice, proportioned heads and good expression. A few light-coloured eyes. Most everyone showed an outgoing attitude, moved quite well with balance and I was very pleased with correct angulations. Some lack of side-drive.

The 8 bitches also were of excellent types, sizes and quality. Again I found noble heads, long, elegant necks with a good crest and strong toplines. Among some I found a wonderful far reaching trot and drive, but I would have liked to see better movement around.

Coming to the "bitter end" I had to pick those I wanted to place:

No. 11 Winner Dog, no. 13, the Veteran Dog, no. 22 Winner Bitch, and from BOB-Competition class. no.76 Gryphon's Stellar Eminence, a beautiful, feminine bitch of superb shape and elegance. Nice head, long neck, very well angulated. Well laid shoulder, good bones and feet.

Once again I had a hard time! Dog or Bitch? Both in a wonderful shape, very sound with a wonderful attitude, movements over the sky with far-reaching steps from all sides showing themselves to the best. But in the end the strong topline gave it:

BEST OF BREED : DC Gryphon's Gypsy Rover, FCH,

BEST OF OPPOSITE SEX: CH Gryphon's Stellar Eminence

BEST OF WINNERS : Necronimicon Flash 'N Flare

My congratulations to the fantastic handlers AND breeders!

I was so glad to be allowed to give award of Merit, and I had no doubt: Ch Gryphon's Ancient Mariner and Ch Bramblewood Husn Sharib Hawa. I only wish I had had a lot more of those awards to give to all of you.

So, friends, once again I have to say millions of thanks to every single one of you. Thank you for coming, thank you for staying during this late evening - thank you for let me be with you! Do you know the English singer Vera Lynn? This is how she said farewell: "We'll meet again, don't know where, don't know when - but I know we'll meet again some sunny day!"

Eli-Marie

Sweepstakes Critique~

Ibizan Hound Club of The United States 2003 Specialty

Sweepstakes Judge Susan Viveiros

Puppy Sweepstakes

I would like to thank the members of IHCUS for choosing me to judge Sweeps at the 2003 National Specialty. It was indeed an honor. I would also like to thank the members of the Twin Peaks Kennel Club, and especially Suzanne Faria for the great job they all did in organizing and running this year's specialty. Thank you twin Peaks for the lovely judge's gift.

The quality of my entry was exceptional. My decisions were difficult and in many instances came down to only slight differences in breed type. My assessment of the entry is as follows:

My 12-18 Month old Dog, Boardwalkahram Lightscameraaction was a very nice dog with a lovely head and neck, moderately angulated and with a strong topline. He was sound coming and going and his side gait was very nice. He was my Best Opp. in Puppy Sweeps.

There were two 6-9 month bitches that were littermates. Both had very nice heads and necks as well as lovely profiles. I gave 1st place to Wirtu's Spanish Tantivey who was very sound coming toward me and had a lovely flowing side gait. She could have been better in rear moving away, but at her age I felt it was due to youth and inexperience instead of any structural problems. I awarded 2nd place to Wirtu's Spanish Cacophoney. She was equally as nice as her sister but her lack of confidence made it difficult to evaluate her properly. I hope this is just a phase that she is going through.

The 9-12 month old bitches were also littermates who were both exquisite in breed type. They were moderately angulated, had lovely heads and necks and solid toplines. My choice for first was Gryphons Monet Morning. She was very sound moving up and back and had a lovely light flowing side gait. She was my Best In Sweeps. My 2nd Place choice, Gryphons Desgas Dancer, was not as sound as her sister going and coming but was still a very nice bitch with a pleasing side gait.

The single 12-18 Month Bitch was Necronomicon Flash 'N Flare. She was a very nice bitch with a lovely head, neck and profile. She had a pretty flowing side gait and looked very nice coming and going also.

Veteran's Sweepstakes

There were two very nice dogs in the 7-9 year old Veteran's Dog Class. Both exhibited beautiful breed type with lovely heads and necks. They were moderately angulated with excellent toplines and profiles. My first place winner was DC Gryphons Gypsy Rover, FCh. He was also my Best In Veteran Sweeps. He was dead sound moving out and back and his side gait was breathtaking. He was light on his feet and flowing. He also had a great outgoing attitude and I might add, I was quite pleased to see him go Best of Breed the next day at the National Specialty. My second place ribbon went to Ch. Redhills Nebkheperu-Re. He was very sound moving up and back and also had a lovely side gait. This class presented me with my toughest decision as both dogs were exceptional. My winner was just a little better in his coming, going and side gait.

The entry in the veteran's Bitch 7-10 year old class was Ch. Gryphons Twiggy Go Girl, CD SC who was moderately angulated with a pretty silhouette. She had an exquisite head and expression and a beautiful long neck. Her side gait was very pleasing but she was a little loose moving up and back.

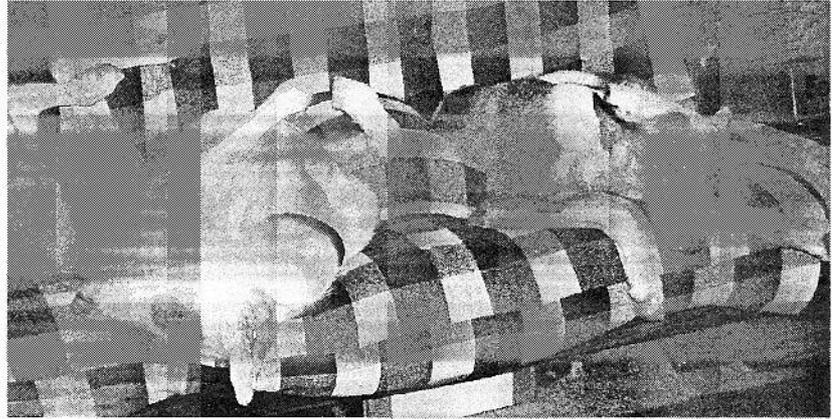
The entry in the Veteran Bitch 10-12 year old class was Ch. Bramblewoods Taali of Husn JC, SC, TD1, a wonderful bitch with beautiful breed type. She had a lovely head and neck, a very strong topline and was moderately angulated. She was dead sound moving up and back and her side gait was beautiful. She was my Best Opp in Veteran's Sweeps.

I want to thank everyone for entering under me. It was a wonderful experience and I am appreciative of the support exhibitors gave to me by entering their high quality Ibizan Hounds.

*from the August Gazette:
by Bonnie Fleming*
HOW COME?

How come we supposedly should start our breeding program with a bitch? Why not a great male, and take picks for stud fees?

How come it's always the stud's fault if something goes wrong? It takes two to tango, as the cliché goes.



Petie and Crimson

How come it's always the judge's fault if your dog is not having a good day?

How come whatever your dog steals and eats is absolutely delicious and does not make him sick. But put something new in his dog bowl and it's immediately suspect and often causes eruptions at both ends?

How come we can be so picky about our facial products and enjoy puppy kisses so much?

How come we could kill our spouses for snoring, but blissfully sleep through our dogs snarfs, jerks, whines, peddling and, yes, snoring?

How come all our clothes have pockets and our shoes have rubber soles, even if we don't show any more?

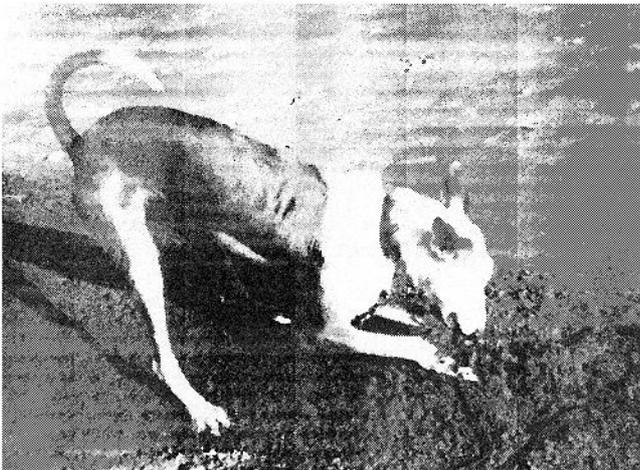
Rose Bednarski contributed a few of her favorite questions.

How come you prefer the company of your dog to non-doggy friends?

How come you can clean up after your dog (see food thief above) but can't change a diaper or use a public bathroom that's really bad?

How come you know all the latest doggy gossip, but haven't a clue about world affairs?

How come your dog gets the best food, enough exercise, and sees the doctor regularly-and you don't?



Can you dig it???????

How come you have a terrible time getting up early to go to work, but are bright and cheerful at that 8 AM ring call (after a several hour drive?).

How come your vacation time is scheduled to match the big circuit?

How come you can remember your dogs' birthdays, but not your friends?

How come we can't be as loving, forgiving, and nonpolitical as our dogs? They set us such a good example.

Results of the 2003 Monographica del Podenco Ibicenco

There were 31 entries. Judges: Juan Miguel Gil Ferrara & Julia Penelas.

BOB Wire from the male Champions class
Ch. Melqart's Zodiaco (Melqart's Baal Samen x Niebla)
Breeder- Ralf Florian
Owner- Arturo Garcia Sanchez

BOS Wire From the female Champions class
Ch. Bula de la Costa Seros (Ambrosio el Gallinero x Blanca)

BOB Smooth & Best In Show from the female Champions class
Sisca D'antrilles (Ch. Melqart's Capricho D'arabe x Ch. Dama D'Antrilles)
Breeder- Jaime Veral
Owner- El Mismo

BOS Smooth
Amit de Punta Blanca (Anibal de la Norieta x Sarah)
Breeder- Enrique Garcia Coloma
Owner- El Mismo

Reported by Stephanie Bonner

Canine Chronicle- ALL Breed Standings-

Jan 1, 2003- August 31, 2003

1. CH Luxor's Playmate Of The Year~ W Anderson/G Brand/L Lucas/H Goldberg
 2. CH Gryphons Stellar Eminence JC~M Steele/A Mirestes
 3. CH Imagery: Fire Dance~ B Fleming/N Stabler/H Stabler
 4. CH Bordwalk Ahram Just To Spicy~ R Truran/M Paulin
 5. CH Fire Rock's Bellissimo~ B Fleming/A McClure
 6. CH Jemm's Exquisite Monet~ M Morris
 7. CH Unigus Hanging By A Moment Ahram~ K Weiner/M Paulin-Brown/L Weiner
 8. CH Red Sky Orion By Danzante~J Stevens/W Stevens
 9. DC Gryphons Gypsy Rover RB SC~ K Williamson-Jensen
 10. CH Paradise-Ahram Lose Yrself In Me~L Puskas
 11. CH Davinci Icing On The Cake~ S Viveiros/P Viveiros
 12. CH Jemm's Exquisite Ana Alisian~ A Barbour/L Puskas
 13. CH Desert Mirage Dragons Eye~ C Papenberg
 14. CH Mardais Apex Osiris~ M Kittler
 15. CH Ahram's Leave Me Breathless~A Lewis/M Paulin-Brown
 16. CH Special Acres' Image Of A Gent~ S Short/W Smith
 17. CH Mardais Phoenix Phlyes~M Kittler
 18. CH Necronomicon Weronica~ C Kittler
 19. Unigus She's Like The Wynd~L Phillips/B Ritchie/A Mirestes
 20. CH Homer De Can Pocaroba SC ~K Kelly/S Bonner
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IHCUS 2004 CALENDAR

The call for photos is out for the new IHCUS calendar!

This is a Board-approved fund-raising project. We are asking you to send from 1 - 3 of your favorite Ibizan Hound photos. Lisa Puskas will be creating a beautiful, full-color calendar, featuring those photos with all profits from the sale of the calendar going into the IHCUS general fund, which is in dire need of a boost. At least one photo per owner will be used on the calendar, more if there is room. The photos will be featured in a collage format, with all dogs presented equally. Names and owners of depicted dogs will be listed in the back of the calendar.

The deadline for photos is November 1st, or when all photo slots on the calendar are filled. Get your photos in as soon as possible to ensure they will appear on the calendar.

Email is the preferred way to send photos. The photos must be at least 150 dpi, and may be cropped to fit as necessary. Send your photos as attachments to: puskasmail@cox.net. If you prefer snail mail, send photos to: Lisa Puskas, PO Box 55145, Phoenix, AZ 85078-5145. And, if you want your photos returned, please include return postage.

Calendars will be mailed to arrive no later than the first week in December. They'll make great holiday gifts! Ordering details will be posted to the IHCUS list in October.

Thanks for your support, and we hope to see lots of photos!!



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