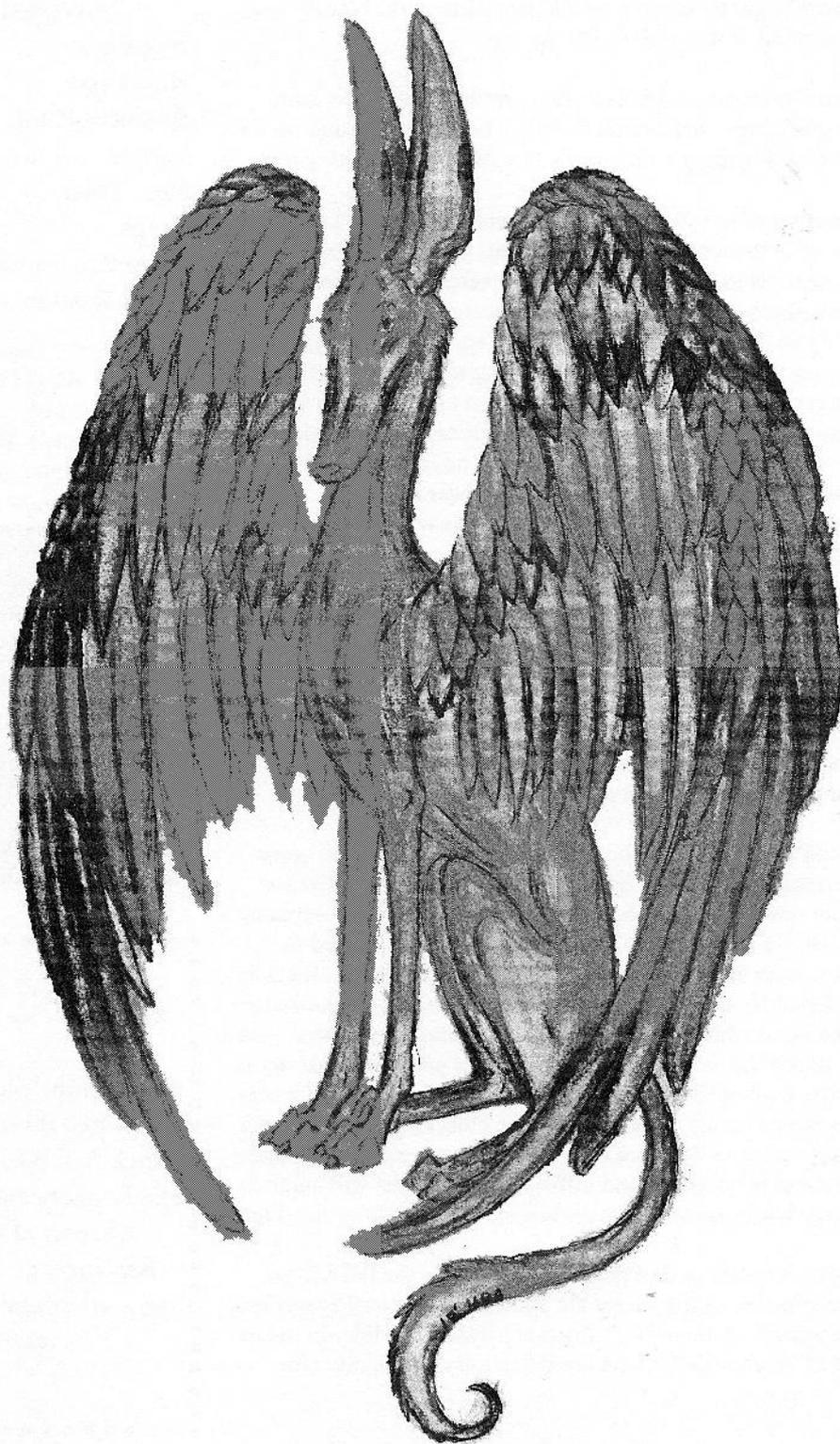


Third Eye
July/Summer 2003



June 30th, 2003

Wow, has it been busy since the National! That was such a great outing! Thank you to host club Twin Peaks Ibizan Hound Club, Show Chairman Suzann Faria, Judges Eli Forsyth and Susan Viveros, and all the other people who helped present a wonderful Ibizan experience. Congratulations to all the winners and participants, too! One of the best things about a traveling National is the chance to get to see dogs in different parts of the country and this one was no exception. It was well worth the trip.

The Board has been busy trying to get everything rolling in this new term. There have been some bumps, but overall there has been progress and we will be having our first Board mailing within just a few days of my writing this.

Great pains are being made to follow that the Constitution and By-Laws and Robert's Rules. As such, the wheels of governing this club are moving a little slower than I first anticipated. Recently, it was discovered that, the Breeder Referral packet, thought to have been passed in August of 2001, must be dealt with by the Board again due to a technicality. Please understand that there is no blame implied over this — sometimes when trying to follow the rules, things can get a little complicated. No one is perfect, it takes all of us working together to get things done correctly and even then, mistakes can be made. Remember - if there are no efforts made, there will be no mistakes and I, for one, salute those who at least made the effort. The Breeder Referral Committee has re-submitted the BR information and this will be one of the first items of business for this new Board.

Another important item of business for the Board will be the selection of Committees and Committee heads. Between now as I write this and the printing of the Third Eye, we will hopefully know who will be serving on which committee. Please know the Board will be thinking very carefully when making these decisions. Thank you to everyone who was willing to step forwards offering to serve on a committee. Though it will be impossible to make everyone happy, everyone's interest is sincerely appreciated.

Something that could use a bit of clarification is the new IHCUS gab group. This list was started solely to provide IHCUS members a forum to discuss club business, as this was something I heard people express a desire for many times. Though all IHCUS members with email addresses were invited or subscribed, (and that is all but four of us!), no one is required to be a member of it. It is simply offered for the membership to use. As with any organization, there will always be those who are more interested in doing than others — and that's ok, too. It is hoped that with a list like the IHCUS gab group that those members who wish to be more active and involved can have yet another way to input their ideas and be strong contributors to the club. Though the activity on the list has been sporadic so far, there have already been many good ideas posted and, as our committees get up and rolling, I hope the list will continue to give people a place where ideas can be exchanged and hopefully acted on.

On that note, one of our members had posted a question on the IHCUS gab group regarding the selection of judges for the 2005-2006 National specialties. Sorry there was no answer until now — sometimes it takes a while for me to get the answer myself. In accordance with the IHCUS By-Laws, it is time

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Cover Art by Ariel Harper

Arial has the pleasure of living with two ibizans....Ch. Fire Rock Bell Book and Candle aka Endorra and Ch. Ahram's Weapon of Choice aka Remington. Ariel lives in Montana where she works and creates art.

Treasurer's Report as of 7/20/03

After a delay in turn over to avoid potential miscommunications during the critical Specialty period followed by some personal problems, I am finally on board and very happy to be your Treasurer. I want to thank Teddy Burke for the help she has provided. Also, I appreciate the assistance I've gotten from Board and Committee members. I'm now off and running — I think that's good.

As of July 20, 2003, the IHCUS treasury had \$6518.42. Of this amount, \$2577.00 is in the Health and Research Fund and \$2224.94 is in the Rescue Fund. This leaves \$1716.48 for the General Fund. I would like to see a larger amount in the latter so suggestions for fund raising activities will be welcomed. I have made a review of the financial activity for the second half of 2002 and it suggests that we will have enough unrestricted funds for the rest of this year unless there are significant unplanned expenses.

Nearly all activity since the last treasurer's report involved the Specialty in Washington. Following are it's financial results:

IHCUS 2003 Specialty		
Show		
Income		
BaRay (net)	507.17	
Catalog sales	63.00	
Trophy (net)	224.00	
		794.17
Expense		
Judge travel/lodging	658.00	
Mt Baker KC	100.00	
Equipment rental	32.00	
		790.00
Profit		4.17
Coursing		
Income		
ASFA trial entries	250.00	
AKC test entries	144.00	
		394.00
Expense		
ASFA per capita	60.00	
AKC fees	67.00	
Ribbons	71.88	
TPIIC	19.55	
		218.43
Profit		175.57
Auction income		550.00
T-shirt net proceeds		800.00
Total profit		1529.74

As you can see, the events in Washington were very profitable. I want to thank everyone who worked to put them on and everyone who entered their IBs. The auction generated \$550 and my thanks go to all bidders. I want to highlight the t-shirt income -- Marge Morris (Jemmn's Ibizan Hounds and Exquisite Embroidery) has generously donated the profits from the t-shirt sales to the IHCUS General Fund. — a special thanks to Marge.

Again, I'm pleased to be serving the Ibizan community I encourage any of the membership to call, write or email me with suggestions.
Sincerely, Bill DeLong

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.

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

Glenn Cameron
3878 Oak Lawn Avenue Suite 520
Dallas, TX 75219
gcameron@mortgagelendingassociates.com

Bonnie Kruger
"Bon's Kennels"
62435 Eagle Road
Bend, OR 97701
reddogfam@yahoo.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.

Two new membership applications have been received:
Paula Knight
Glen Dale, WV

Michelle Brown (Paulin)
Colton, CA

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Membership continued.....

Changes to your 2003 Membership List:

Email address for:
Lindsay Phillips
lphilli@uark.edu

New phone number:
Cynthia Kittler
318-255-4494

New info for:
Nancy Turchi
634 East Mullett Lake Road
Indian River, MI 49749
231-238-0496

Have a great Fall!

Rose Bednarski
Membership Committee Chairperson
202 Yule Road
Washougal, Washington 98671
dejavueh@ix.netcom.com
<http://www.dejavuehounds.com>

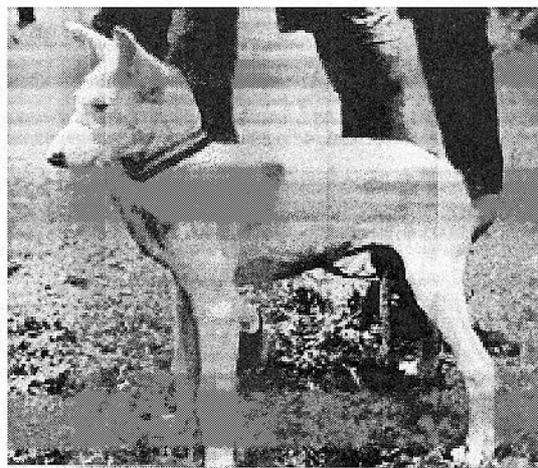
Canine Chronicle

All-Breed standings

1/1-6/30 2003

President continued....

once again to start the selection process. Lisa has had printed in this issue of the Third Eye a ballot to send back to her where each member can nominate up to three names for both the Conformation and the Sweepstakes judges. In accordance to the By-Laws, the entire complete list of eligible AKC Judges is to be drawn from for the Conformation Judge. The Sweepstakes Judge can be a regular judge, an aspiring judge or a respected breeder. A list of judges can be found at this webpage: www.dog-breeds.net/IHCUSjudges.htm. So, start checking out those people you each think would be good candidates to judge our breed s National. The top ten names in each of the two categories will be the ones submitted to you the membership for a vote.



Anyway, that s what s been going on the last few weeks. It has been slower going than I thought, but, again, I hope each step forward will continue to bring us closer to having a club we can all be proud of belonging to. If anyone ever has a question, please do not hesitate to contact me and ask. I may not know the answer right off but I will get one for you as soon as possible. Call me at 479 273 2570, most days after 4pm Central Standard Time or e me at hscdavallia@yahoo.com. Til next time!

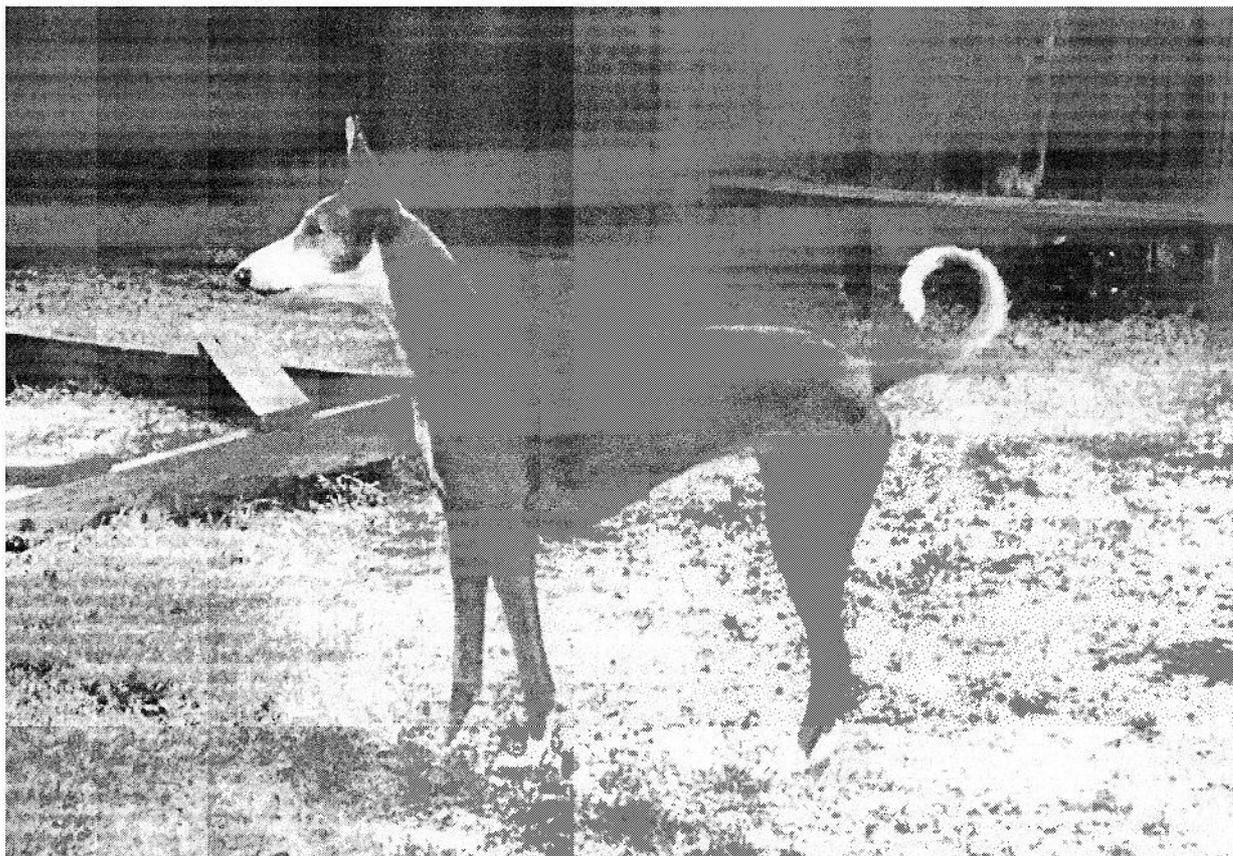
Heidi

1. CH Luxor's Playmate OfThe Year- W Anderson/G Brand/L Lucas/H Goldberg
2. CH Gryphons Stellar Eminence JC-M Steele/A Mirestes °
3. CH Bordwalk Ahram Just To Spicy-R Truran/M Paulin °
4. CH Imagery: Fire Dance- B Fleming/N Stabler/H Stabler °
5. DC Gryphons Gypsy Rover SC- K Williamson-Jensen °
6. CH Ahram's Leave Me Breathless- A Lewis/M Paulin-Brown °
7. CH Special Acres' Image OfA Gent-S Short/W Smith °
8. CH Desert Mirage Dragons Eye-C Papenberg °
9. CH Necronomicon Weronica-C Kittler °
10. Luxor's DoTell- E Ferguson/L Lucas °
11. DC Gryphons Pogo Podenco SC-TForbes °
12. DC Special Acres' Clown Princess SC- I McDonald/M Pyle/S Short °
13. CH Bramblewood's Hedjet-MToliver/R Castillo °
14. Mardais Apex Osiris-M Kittler °
15. CH Paradise-Ahram Lose Yrself In Me- L Puskas/M Paulin-Brown °
16. Boardwalkahram Lightscameraaction- B Fleming °
17. Mardais Phoenix Phlyes- M Kittler °
18. CH SA It's My PartiAt Raisin'l- I Mcdougald/S Short °
19. CH Mardais Sam IAm- G Cameron °
20. CH Gryphons Melqart Melody Muse -S Fegan/M Clark °



Fly- photo Pam Mutchek

A career ends....



Multiple BIF Dual Ch Windriver Abilene, LCM5, CD, TT, CGC

Abbey retired from lure coursing last year at the age of 11. She won BOB at her last lure trial, beating a dog a fraction her age. A few weeks later her vet diagnosed her with heart disease. Now 12 years old, she had a 10 year coursing career, a top 10 ASFA placement nearly every year, and is the only Ibizan Hound to win Best of the Best at southern California's Turkey Run. Along the way she ran open field, did obedience and agility, and earned a top 10 placement in the breed ring. She was a wonderful competitor and still is a wonderful pet.

Owned and loved by Margaret Harris Sun Racer Kennels

Abbey is fed a raw, natural diet.

THRU THE DOGGIE DOOR

by Bonnie Fleming

I can't speak for anyone else, but I had a ball at the Specialty in May in Washington. I have deep suspicions that most everyone else did also.

Kudos to Suzanne Faria and her great crew for a very well done weekend. It was unfortunate that we had to cram so much into only 4 days, but then, we certainly didn't have to worry about getting bored!!! There was always someplace to go and something to do. I slept for about 3 days after I got home.

It was a very damp session for the lure coursing, though I must admit my two provided lots of comic relief. Belle couldn't have cared less about chasing a plastic bag. She found Mel's baby much more interesting. Dante couldn't tear himself away from the fence. The others who did what they were supposed to, had a wonderful trial and lots of great prizes. It's such a thrill to watch our dogs do what they were bred for and do so wonderfully well - RUN!

We had a couple of escapees - The obedience (?) dog who explored the neighborhood and quite literally stopped traffic and Dante. He didn't get of the grounds, but had lovely visits with anyone who would scratch until Ariel brought the wandering miscreant home. We didn't have too many takers for the Saturday on-site hospitality (just because it was raining!) but we had lots of visitors on Sunday, helping to eat Dance's retirement cake.

The trophies were lovely. The luncheon was delicious and the annual meeting productive. The officers that were able to attend had a really productive planning meeting and things are going to be moving on this year Heidi is just chockfull of energy and good ideas and encouragement for the other officers.

It was great to visit with old friends, make so many new ones, put faces to e mails and check out all the lovely dogs. The judges had their work cut out for them, deciding who to place.

The details of who won what will be in this Third Eye, along with other comments, so I will quit here, except to say - You Big City Eastern Folk are going to have to get some good old fashioned Western hustle to have a better specialty than the Washington folk provided this year. Hope to see you all then.



Let me outta here!
photo by Teddy
Burke

BRAGS!!!!

NEW CHAMPION

CH J-Mark's Jill-ikka-Jast (Jilly)

Owner: Robin Castillo
SunRumba Sighthounds
Higley, AZ
Breeder: Jeffrey Macek

Sire: Am/Mex CH J-Mark's Sam-I-Am Hemato (Sam)

Dam: CH Hemato's J-Mark Star Maiden (Maddie)

NEW CHAMPION

CH Mardais Sam I Am

Age at Championship: 11 months

Owner:
Glenn Cameron

From TPIHC....

Attention all breeders and owners; Twin Peaks Ibizan Hound Club now has a Membership Outreach Liaison. We would like to contact any Ibizan Hound owners living in the Pacific Northwest. We would like to welcome them to our area and make them aware of our club and it's activities. If you have placed a Beezer in our area, or live in our area, contact Judy Lange, TPIHC V.P. and Membership Outreach Liaison at:

3705 South 257th Street
Kent, WA 9803-26558
(253) 852-3781
amun@foxinternet.net

A National to Remember!

Thank you to Judges
Eli Marie Klepp and Ruth Tabaka
 2003 IHCUS National Specialty



**Flare: Nat Int Jr Ch Necronomicon Flash'n Flare
 BOW**

5 point major



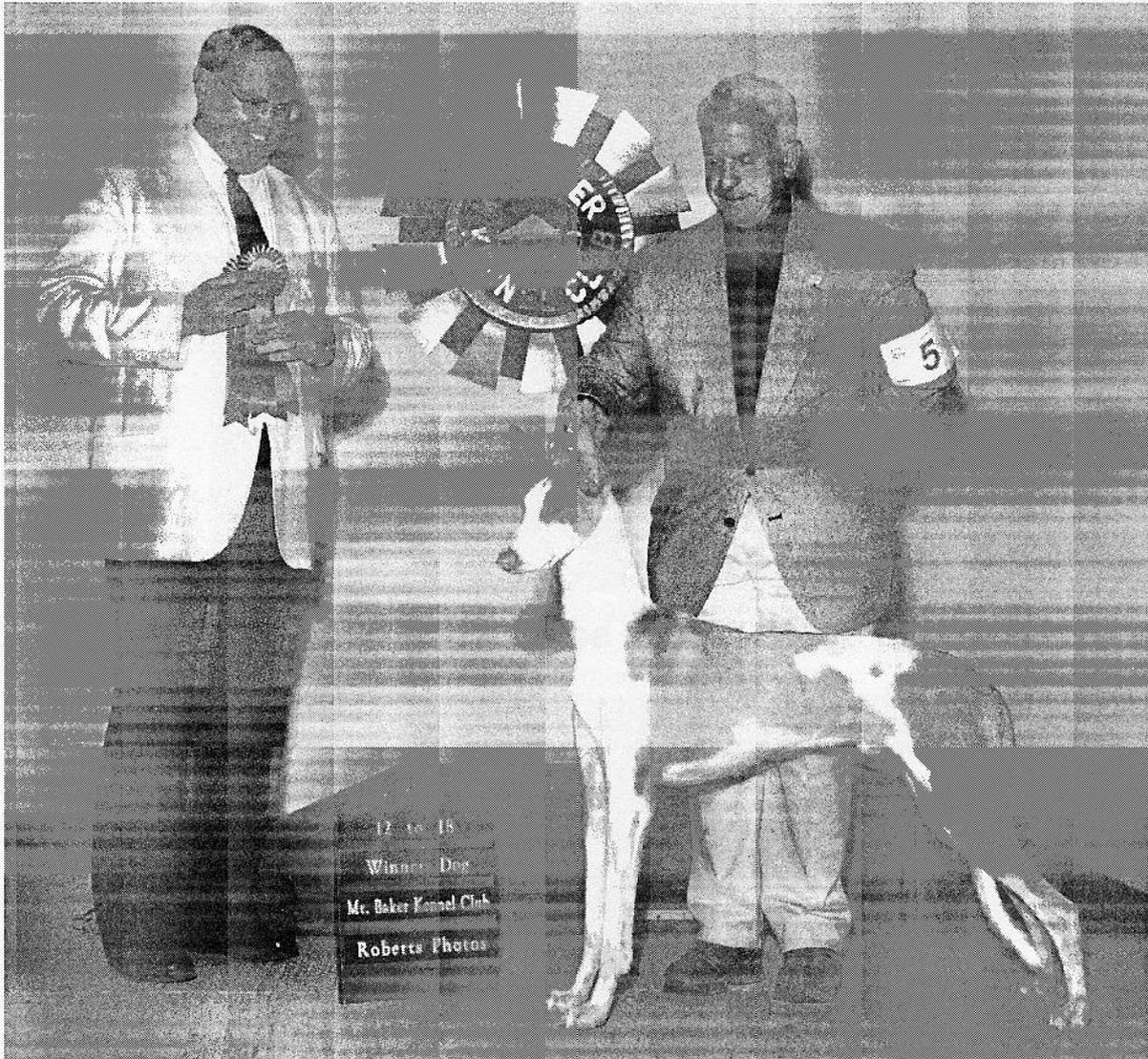
**Vicar: Int Can Ch DC Gryphons Dark Victory SC, FCh, MBIF
 New CD- High in Trial Novice A 192/200**

& 2003 Triple Crown Award, Twin Peaks Ibizan Hound Club


**Whistledown
 hounds**

Tomme Trikosko & Diana Roberson
 drtri@rocketmail.com

BOARDWALK AH RAM LIGHTS CAMERA ACTION



“CAM”

Best of Opposite Sex Sweepstakes and RWD, IHCUS National
 Best of Winners, Mt. Baker Kennel Club
 Winners Dog, Mt, Baker Kennel Club

When the Lights are on, and the Camera is ready, He goes into Action!

Bonnie Fleming, Owner

Michelle Brown and Ruth Truran, Breeders

AKC/Int'l Ch. Arrow's Encore Performance CGC X Ch. Ahram Come Fly W Me Boardwalk, Parents

CH. IMAGERY: FIRE DANCE (RET.)



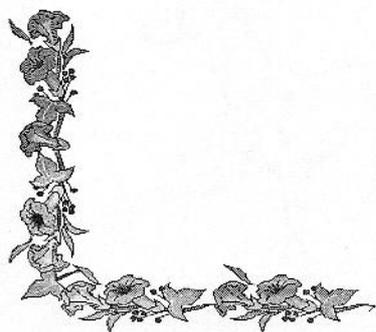
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Nancy & Harry Stabler: For letting me have her in the first place and being so supportive

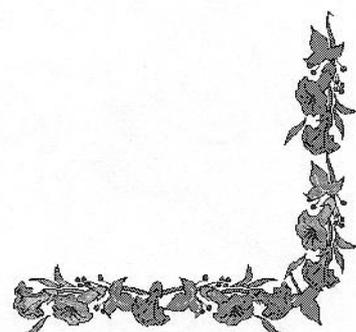
Robert Perry: For always presenting her at her best and being her buddy

Judges: For all the great placements and thrills you have given us

Dance: For being such a wonderful, once in a lifetime girl



Bonnie Fleming, Nancy and Harry Stabler
Imagery & Fire Rock



From the Gazette

by Bonnie Fleming

The Ancient Ones

I watched the Invitational on Animal Planet the other night, as I am sure many of you did. I didn't know whether to laugh or cry at the announcer's assertion that Ibizan Hounds came originally from Spain, and two sentences later, he announced, with equal certainty, that a statue of an Ibizan Hound was found in King Tut's tomb. Oooops! Usually Animal Planet is very careful about their facts. If they aren't sure, they say so. I don't know how many other breed fanciers heard glaring errors, but I am sure Animal Planet heard about them. It is a fact that there are many statements made about breed origins and histories, many of which are questionable. Our breed is often one of them.

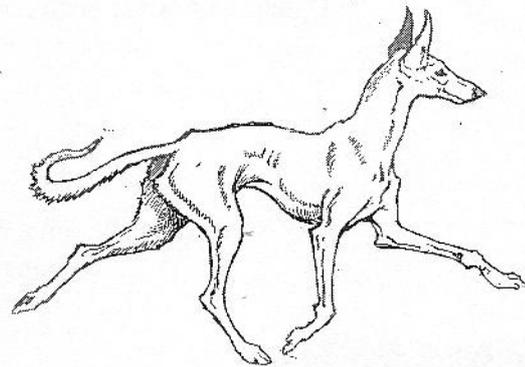
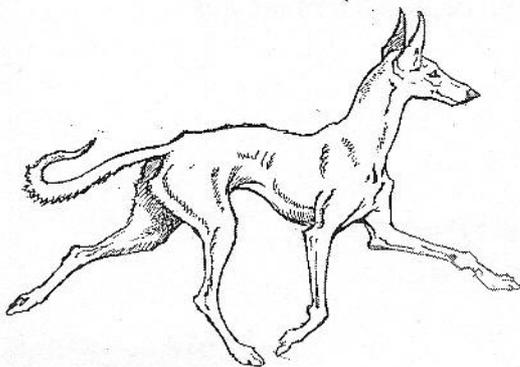


drawing by Susan Payne

No one knows, for sure, just exactly where or when many specific breeds originated, especially the ancient ones. We can make some very educated guesses, which may be very close to the truth, but we cannot state unequivocally that such and so is the absolute fact of the matter.

As science learns more and more about Egypt (or anywhere else) our facts must change. What we believed as true ten years ago (or even just last week) may not still be so. Currently, it is believed that the sight hounds of today, particularly the Podenco types, developed from the Tesem dog of ancient times. Several breeds are believed to have developed from that ancient forbear (which is thought to have been domesticated and developed from the Middle Eastern wolf) such as our Ibizan hound, the Pharaoh Hound, the Basenji, the Sloughi, the Saluki and other similar sight hounds. We do know, from ancient paintings and carvings dating back some 8,000 years ago, that these forbears are almost identical to several of our modern breeds. Podenco type hounds migrated from ancient lands to Europe (we do have some historical documentation) Since Egypt in ancient times, covered a huge area including most of today's Middle East and parts of Africa, it is hard to say just where or when these hounds originated. As man is such a tinkerer, I feel that breeds were altered to suit the needs of local hunters, as well as when they were exported to other countries. I was once told that the Ibizan Hound is the ancestor of all sight hounds. Greyhound people will disagree, I am sure. Since the structure of our hounds differs so much from the European sight hounds, I must agree. We must also take into account that Spitz type remains, considered to be a least 10,000 years old have been found in Europe, bringing into question just what the oldest type really is. While it is quite possible to develop the basics of a new breed in one person's lifetime, I find it difficult to accept that one breed is the foundation for all breeds. They have appeared in too many areas, in very different forms, at the same general time period.

The only fact that I can completely accept is this: As man came out of prehistory, the dog came with him. Sharing our destinies and daily lives, they are with us - for yesterday, today and tomorrow. It is said that dog is God spelled backwards. If so, what a wonderful gift to mankind.



New Titles:*Conformation Champion-*

CH. Davinci Icy Hot B-CH. Gryphons Star Dragon Dancer x CH. Strangedays Ruffienne- S. Jane Crenshaw
Julia Hatfield

CH. Jemm's Exquisite Monet D- CH. Sharanra Salty Seaspray Over Akhanu x CH. Henmars Jemms Cactus Jewell-
Margaret D Morris

CH. Strangedays Hairway To Heaven B-Rosenhill's Rugosa-White Hedge x CH. Strangedays Rhody Coyote-Patricia
Lane Deborah Merrin

CH. Gryphons Kumharas T'Marra, JC B-CH. Gryphons Arivaderci Roma SC x CH. Gryphons African Queen-Pamela
S Mutchek

CH. Mardais Sam I Am D-CH. Rosenhill's Rugosa-Caporosso x CH. Sinsline Konstanze-Glenn Cameron

CH. Ahram's I Did It My Way D-Ch Paradise Legacy O' Bramblewood x CH Ahram's Lahn Of Huntarot- Sunny Lewis

CH. Gryphons Melqart Melody Muse, JC B- CH. Gryphons Arivaderci Roma SC x CH. Gryphons Delphi Druid JC-
Susan M Fegan Mel Clark

CH. J-Mark's Jill-ikka Jes B- CH. J-Mark's Sam I Am Hemato x CH. Hemato's J-Mark Star Maiden- Robin Castillo
Jeffrey M Macek

CH. Jemm's Exquisite Ana Alisian B- CH. Sharanra Salty Seaspray Over Akhanu x CH. Henmars Jemms Cactus
Jewell- Alisa Barbour Lisa Puskas

CH. Kok-Rapid De Can Pocaroba, JC D-Floquet x Alima De Can Pocaroba- Stephanie Bonne Alicia A Kittrell

CH. Paradise Queen Of The Damned B CII. Paradise As Good As It Gets x CH. Unigus Britomartis-Curtiss G Smith
Lisa Puskas

CH. Paradiseahram Getdpartystarted B- CH. Paradise As Good As It Gets x CH. Unigus Britomartis Michelle Paulin-
Brown Lisa Puskas

CH. Raisin'L Ringmaster Sa D Lindegrau Treybar Racethewind x CH. Gryphons Picassos Dream, JC- Barbara J Cope
Mary L Meanulla Irva McDougald Susan J Short

CH. Red Sky Morningstar B CH. Dejo's Grand Corazon Danzante SC x CH. Red Sky Estrella De Sago- Lu Capritta

CH. Sa It's My Parti At Raisin'IB- Lindegrau Treybar Racethewind x CH. Gryphons Picassos Dream, JC- Barbara J
Cope Mary L Meanulla Irva McDougald Susan J Short

CH. Special Acre Let The Game Begin RID- Lindegrau Teybar Racethewind x CH. Gryphons Picassos Dream, JC-
Mary L Meanulla Kirlyn Fouts Susan J Short Irva McDougald

Companion Dog- Obedience

DC Gryphons Dark Victory, SC D- CH. Gryphons Pied Piper x CH. Frontrunner's Queen Bitch-Tomme M Trikosko
Diana Roberson

Field Champions-

DC Gryphons Pogo Podenco, SCD- CH. Gryphons Man From Mars x CH. Frontrunner's Queen Bitch-Tammy Forbes

Senior Courser-

CH Kok-Rapid De Can Pocaroba, JC D- Floquet x Alima De Can Pocaroba- Stephanie Bonner Alicia A Kittrell

CH. Gryphons Melqart Melody Muse, JCB- CH. Gryphons Arivaderci Roma SC x CH. Gryphons Delphi Druid JC-
Susan M Fegan Mel Clark

Junior Courser-

Davinci Ice Man, JC D- CH. Gryphons Star Dragon Dancer x CH. Strangedays Ruffienne- Kimberly Hinton
Sherita Tabner Julia Hatfield

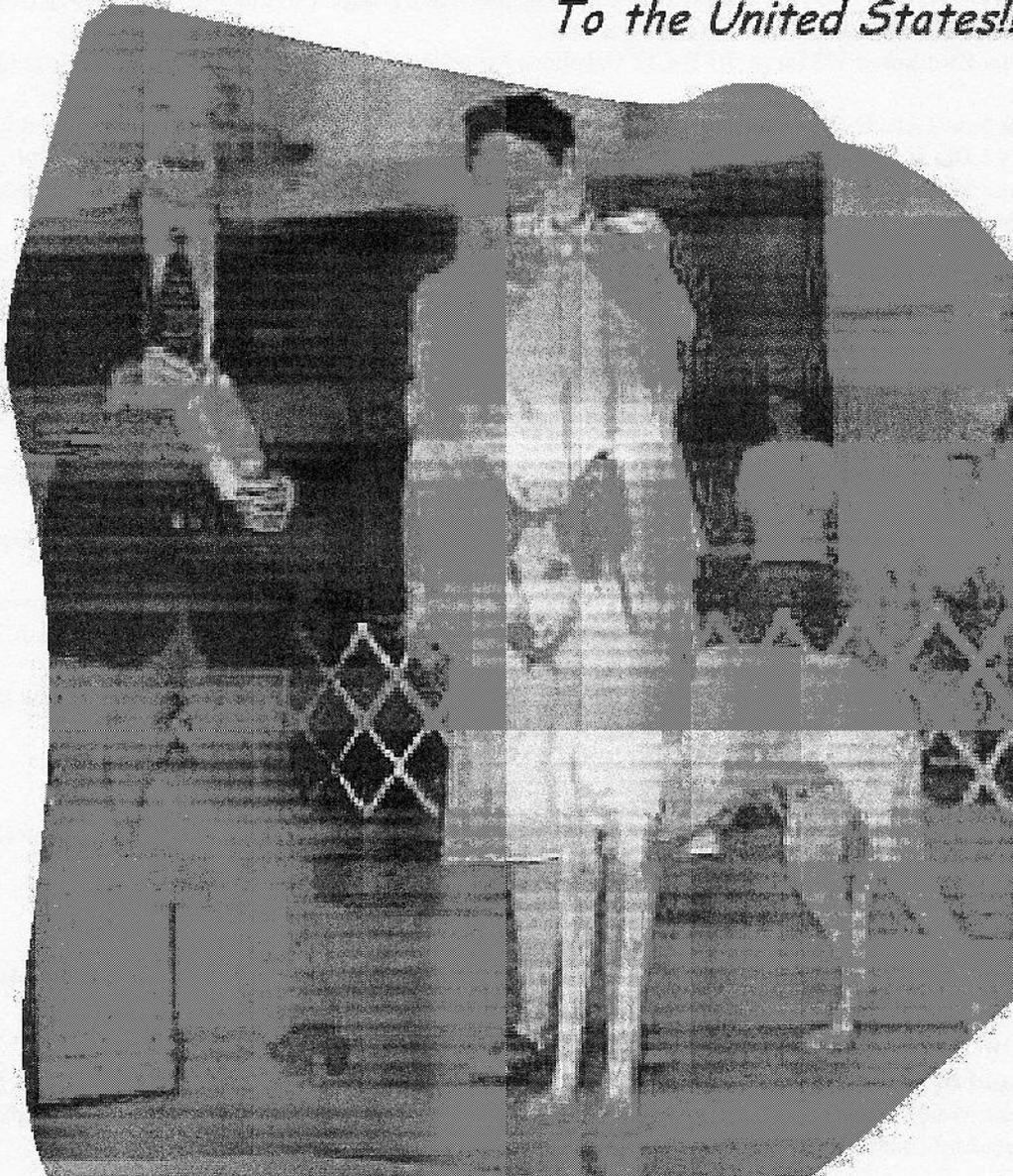
Bramblewood Icy Cold Elegance, JC B- CH. J-Mark's Sam I Am Hemato x CH. Bramblewood's Judy To Mamrick-
Karen Catt

Oasis Desert Runner, JC D- CH. Rosenhill's Unique Stars N'Stripes x CH Atakah's Flying Bennu- Margaret Harris
Suzanne R Faria



**Memo from
DIVA:**

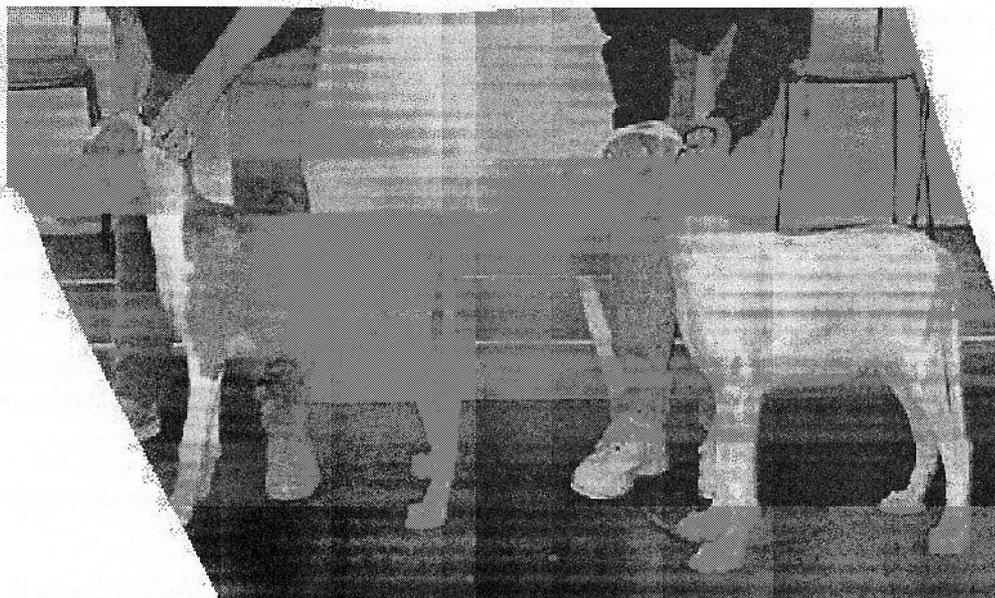
*Akhanubis Witch On A Stick
wishes to welcome her brother,
Akh-Anubis One Vision
To the United States!!*



**Watch for "CHESTER" in a show ring near you!
This gorgeous pinto boy is anxious to hit the mats!
"CHESTER" is owned by Joyce St. Giermain of
Blue Moon Hounds - Sarasota, FL
DIVA is owned and shown by Paula Knight
Breeder: Maria & Les Goodman**

Akhanubis Witch On A Stick
 would also like to welcome
 her nephews to the Unites States!
ANUBIS ONCE IN A BLUE MOON -
GATWICK
ANUBIS SCORPION KING -
STINGER

Memo From
 DIVA:



(Akh - Anubis One Vision X Benjique Las Primeras Rosa)

Gatwick joins his father, Chester, in Sunny Florida.
 Stinger joins his aunt, Diva, in Wild Wonderful WV!

We are **THRILLED** to have these youngsters join
 our families! Thank you, Peter, for letting us have them!
 Stay tuned to see what develops!

DIVA is owned, shown and loved by Paula Knight
 These youngsters were bred by Mr. Peter Goodman, UK

Ibizan Hound Specialty 2003 Lynden, Washington

The IHCUS 2003 Specialty, in Lynden WA., was a great success. I appreciate the hard work of Susan Fegan who made so many trophies. It was a labor of love and they were truly beautiful. Thank you Susan. I would also like to thank Darlene Sweet-Gugel for her fantastic work. I asked a lot of her and she came through with everything beautifully done. Thank you so much Darlene. Holly Hamilton did a great job as Lure Coursing Chair and Judy Lange as Obedience Chair.

Thank you's are in order to Luane Williams who came from Texas to do the Judges Education Breed Study Group. Luane, Susan Viveiros, and Heidi Clevenstine thank you for doing the mentoring of the judges, ringside, at the specialty. They judges said they learned a lot. Susan Viveiros judged Sweepstakes on Friday and appeared to be having a great time. Thank you Susan for coming so far to do this. Your love of our breed was evident.

Our Specialty judge, Eli Marie Klepp, truly "judged" the Ibizan Hounds. She will be writing a critique for the entries she judged. Thank you Eli, my dear friend, for taking this judging assignment so seriously. Our ring steward for Conformation, A.K.C. judge Barbara O'Neill, was tremendously helpful. First by taking over as Jr Showmanship judge when our scheduled judge, Kathy Britton, failed to appear at her scheduled time. Secondly for being so helpful to our Conformation judge who was judging the A.K.C. format for the first time.

Many thanks are in order to Marge Morris for all her hard work making the Specialty T-Shirts. She did a wonderful fundraiser for our clubs General Fund. Thanks are also in order to Nan Little for her beautiful artwork on the tile she donated for the auction which was the art on the T-Shirt.

Congratulations to all the winners. To those who didn't win I hope you had a great time anyway. The entertainment for the Specialty was provided by good sport Glenn Cameron who handled the Brace Class.

We had a very busy weekend but dogs and humans all survived. The Specialty was able to raised quite a bit of money for the General Fund. thanks to all who donated to the auction and to those who purchased. It was enjoyable to meet new people and realized the beginnings of new friendships. I feel it was a great learning experience chairing this Specialty and I appreciate the opportunity to have been able to do it.

Always,
Suzanne Faria

Editor's Note~ At the time of printing, Ms. Eli Klepp could not provide her critique due to unforeseen circumstances. Her judge's comments for the 2003 IHCUS National will be included in the next issue of Third Eye.

American Boy Rebar and Judy Lange~
photo by Margaret Harris



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.

Best Opposite Puppy in Sweeps~ owned by Bonnie Fleming



Best Puppy in Sweeps~ owned by Susan Fegan



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,

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 fist 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, TDI, 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.



Best in Veteran Sweeps
MBIF DC Gryphon's Gypsy Rover, FCh
Owned by Kim Williamson-Jensen



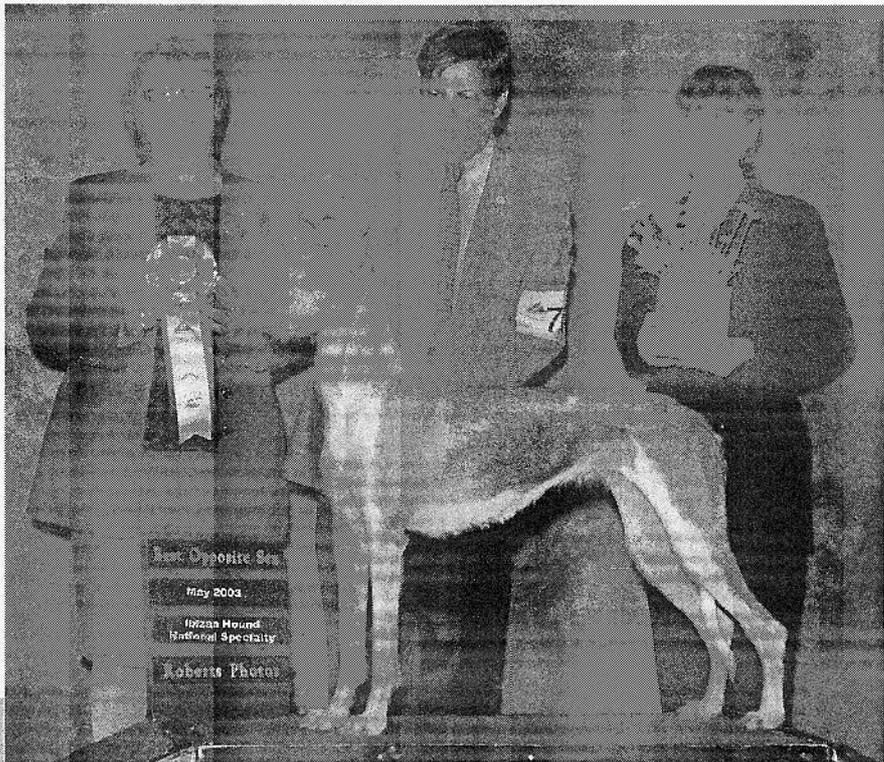
Best Opposite in Veteran Sweeps
Ch. Bramblewoods Taali of Husn, JC, SC, TD
Owned by Carol Dickerson Kauffman

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Best of Breed

MBIF DC Gryphon's Gypsy Rover, FCh
owned by Kim Williamson-Jensen



Best Opposite Sex

BIS Gryphon's Stellar Eminence, JC
owned by Alice Mirestes & Melanie Steele



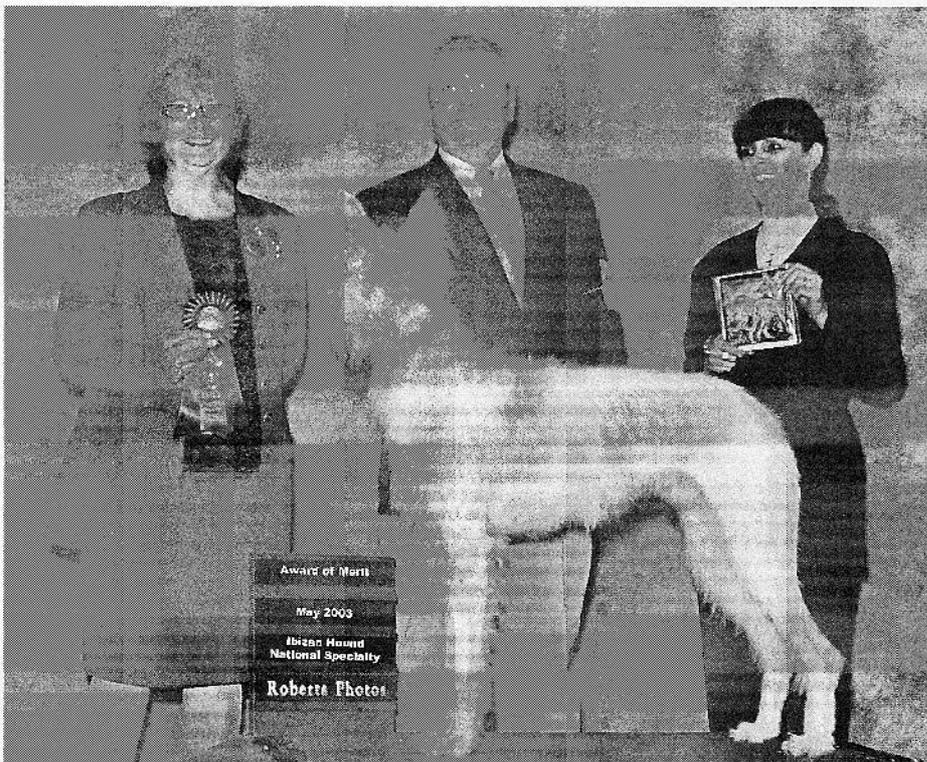
Winner's Dog

Kok-Rapid De Can Pocaroba, JC
Owned by Stephanie Bonner and Alicia Kittrell



Winner's Bitch & Best of Winner's

Nat Int Jr Ch Necronomicon Flash'n Flare
Owned by Tomme Trikosko and Diana Roberson



Award of Merit

Ch. Gryphon's Ancient Mariner, JC

Owned by Gene Hill



Award of Merit

Ch. Bramblewood Husn Sharib Hawa, JC, SC, TD

Owned by Carol Dickerson Kauffman

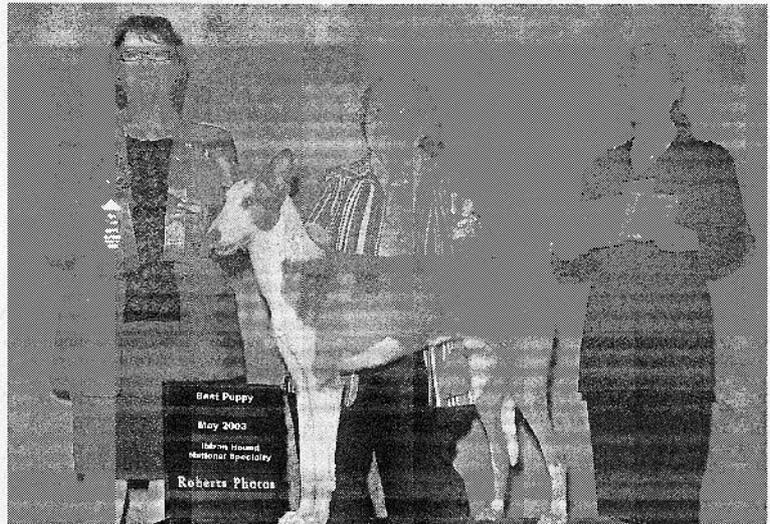


Best Bred by Exhibitor

Mardais Konstanze Chonsu
owned by M. Cynthia Kittler

Best Puppy

Mardais Golden Fleece
owned by M. Cynthia Kittler

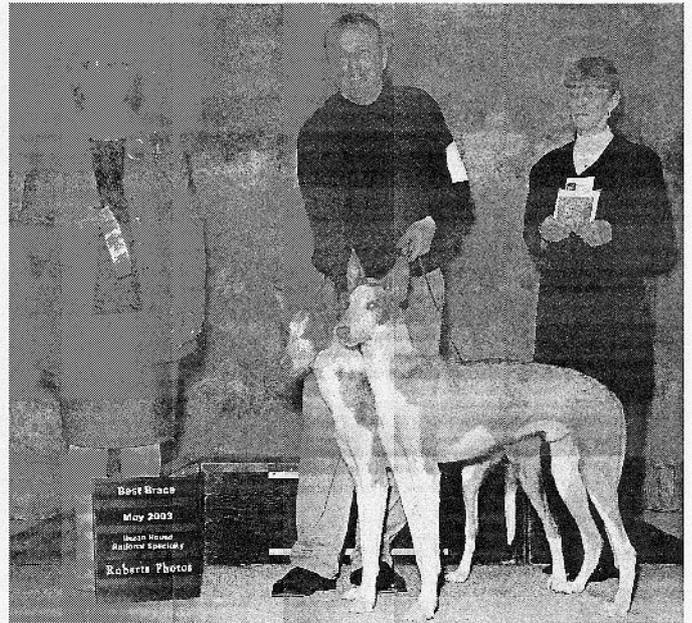


Best Veteran Bitch

Ch. Sinsline Konstanza
owned by M. Cynthia Kittler

Best Brace

**Mardais Golden Fleece &
Mardais Sir Jaime Junior**
owned by M. Cynthia Kittler



Best Junior Handler

**Ashley McClure with
Ch. Fire Rocks Bellissimo**

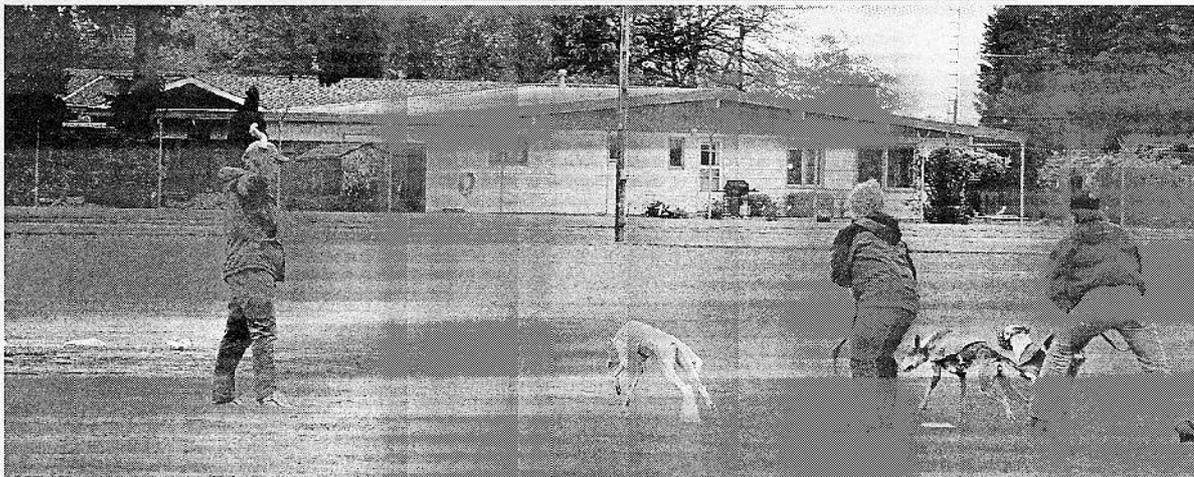
Stud Dog and Brood Bitch

Ch. Homer de Can Pocaroba
*owned by Kathleen Kelly
& Stephanie Bonner*

DC Elidas Speck of Miles, SC
owned by Kathleen Kelly



2003 IHCUS JC tests and ASFA Lure Trial



Best of Breed- Ch. Gryphons Melgart Muse^r Susan Fegan & Mel Clark

Open stake winner- Ch. Gryphons Melgart Muse

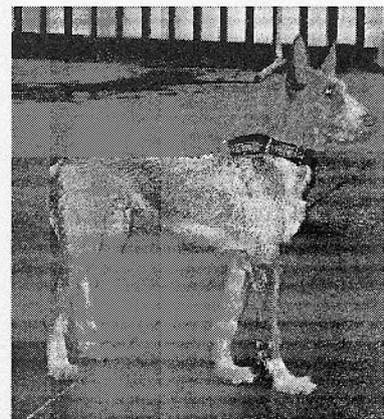
Earned JC titles-

Bramblewood IcyCold Elegance, JC

Field stake winner- Gryphons Ghost Dancer, FCh

Oasis Desert Runner, JC

**Veteran stake winner- Ch. Gryphons Gypsy Rover, FCh
Breeder & Kennel Stake winner- Kathy Kelly**



Clockwise upper left to right- Carol Kauffman and Taali, Player and Dancer, Fuzzy puppy, Mel Clark and Twiggy, best in puppy sweeps Bonnie Fleming with Cam, Tomme Trikosko with Flare, and Judy Lange with Monet Morning



photos from the 2003 National- Margaret Harris

2003 IHCUS Obedience



High in Trial

*Int Can Ch DC
Gryphons Dark Victory
SC, FCh, MBIF*

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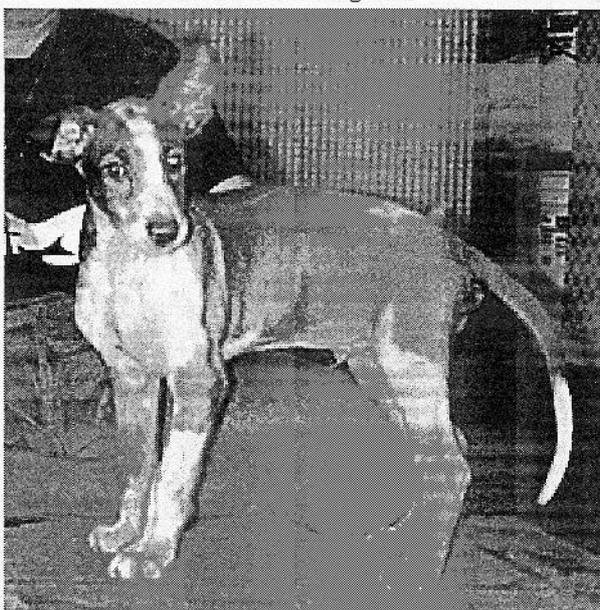
http://www.dog-breeds.net/Ibizan_Hound_Book.htm
Questions? puskasmal@cox.net

Puppies! Ya' gotta love 'em.....



I would like to welcome the newest addition to my household!

DeJa'Vue Atair's The Next Phase (Phaser)
 CH. Bramblewood DeJa'Vue Forthcoming x CH. Homer de Can Poca Roba SC, FCH
 New proud Parent: ChristineAllen Flat Rock, MI
 Breeder: DeJa'Vue Hounds~ Rose Bednarski
 Watch for her in the conformation, obedience, agility rings and on the coursing field!



Our Newest Addition to our household!
 DeJa'Vue Resistance is Futile
 CH. Bramblewood DeJa'Vue Forthcoming x
 CH. Homer de Can Poca
 Roba, SC, FCH
 New proud Parent:s: Ed & Kristine Gambler

Maggie's Farm
 natural pet grooming



The newest addition to our household!
 DeJa'Vue's Enterprising Xperience (Naboo)-
 CH. Bramblewood DeJa'Vue Forthcoming x CH. Homer de Can Poca Roba, SC, FCH
 New proud slave: Erica Kasper PO Box 234 Moodus, CT
 Breeder: DeJa'Vue Hounds ~ Rose Bednarski
 Watch for her in the conformation, obedience, agility rings and on the coursing field!



Our Newest Addition to our household!
 DeJa'Vue's Journey's End
 CH. Bramblewood DeJa'Vue Forthcoming x
 CH. Homer de Can Poca
 Roba, SC, FCH
 New proud slave: Gayle Sutton
 Breeder: DeJa'Vue Hounds~ Rose Bednarski
 Watch for her in the conformation, obedience, agility rings and on the coursing field!

All these beautiful babies were born on May 20, 2003

July 2003, Board Meeting~ Motions to the board:

In order that business not be slowed by waiting for the required passwords to arrive to each member in the mail so they could "officially" make these motions, the secretary made the motions below. If the motion was actually suggested by another board member, their name is listed.

1) passed Lisa Puskas motions that the board vote on chairs for all committees (see above for volunteers), and that all club members who volunteered for a committee would be allowed to serve on the committee(s) for which they volunteered. Carol Kauffman seconds. approved: Jan Winner, Katie Campbell, Rose Bednarski, Bonnie Flemming, Lisa Puskas, Carol Dickerson Kauffman, Bill DeLong, Alice Mirestes

2) not passed Cheri Talbot, Breeder Referral chair, proposes the breeder referral packet that she mailed to each board member.

a) Breeder Referral List Application Form b) Selecting A Breeder c) IHCUS Brochure d) Breeder Referral Committee Protocols Lisa Puskas motions; Carol Kauffman seconds. approved: Jan Winner, Bonnie Flemming, Lisa Puskas not approved: Katie Campbell, Alice Mirestes abstain: Rose Bednarski, Carol Dickerson Kauffman, Bill DeLong,

3) passed Lisa Puskas motions that the by-laws committee consist of the current board. Jan Winner seconds. approved: Jan Winner, Katie Campbell, Rose Bednarski, Bonnie Flemming, Lisa Puskas, Carol Dickerson Kauffman, Bill DeLong, Alice Mirestes

4) passed Stephanie Bonner proposes an IHCUS supported entry in Duluth, Minnesota on Saturday July 10, 2004, in conjunction with the Duluth Kennel Club. "My local coursing club will be doing a field trial then too. So, there would be three days of shows; two days of lure coursing. The shows are in a large indoor convention center with loads of parking. I would like to have a match and a dinner, which I'd have at my house.

This weekend has developed into a big sighthound show for Minnesota, as we have an American Whippet Club supported entry her for the last several years. I would like to do this to test the waters, so to speak for interest/feasibility for applying for a specialty to be held here another time."

Lisa Puskas motions; Carol Kauffman seconds. approved: Jan Winner, Katie Campbell, Rose Bednarski, Bonnie Flemming, Lisa Puskas, Bill DeLong, Alice Mirestes abstain: Carol Dickerson Kauffman,

5) passed Stephanie Bonner proposes: "I have a gorgeous wall plaque made by Nan & Jonathan Little to honor Sarah Martens. I expected to have it at this year's national, but that didn't happen. My plan is to have this be a perpetual trophy given annually to a person who has been nominated based on their exceptional good works for the breed. It could be things like club/volunteer work, breed mentoring, public education, good sportsmanship, etc. I wanted to encourage the fine qualities that Sarah herself always exhibited, not just award a winning performance.

A simple nomination sheet could be printed in the newsletter, say twice a year, with nominations ending before the national. The plaque would be awarded at the annual membership meeting. Engraving of the name would be the responsibility of the recipient, as well as getting it to the next meeting, like with other perpetual trophies. I have already purchased the work. There is no cost to the club. I could take the nominations and get a small committee, hopefully including Will Martens, to choose the winner for the first year I have seen other clubs do something similar and it is a expected award. I can get it to the next specialty." Lisa Puskas motions; Carol Kauffman seconds approved: Jan Winner, Katie Campbell, Rose Bednarski, Bonnie Flemming, Lisa Puskas, Carol Dickerson Kaufman, Bill DeLong, Alice Mirestes

6) passed Lisa Puskas motions (for Carol Kauffman) that the committee in charge of health look into Canine Health Information Center. This is something for both the breeder and parent club. Their website is www.caninehealthinfo.org More information: AKC/Canine Health Foundation www.akcchf.org Carol Kauffman seconds approved: Jan Winner, Rose Bednarski, Bonnie Flemming, Lisa Puskas, Carol Dickerson Kaufman, Alice Mirestes abstain: Katie Campbell, Bill DeLong,

(Last time, we overheard the Pharaoh's gathering in the valley of the kings instructing Princess Madja to give life to new Prince & Princesses. Here is her continuing story...)

Madja headed out from her kingdom to the palace of Prince Homer (CH. Homer De Can Pocaroba, SC, FCH). With her servant Rose, they arrived many hours later. (As Rose bows before him). "Prince Homer", as Rose announces his arrival into the room where Princess Madja was seated. Madja, stands & extends a paw to him. "I'm dazzled in your beauty Princess Madja" Homer proclaims. "Thank you very much, Prince Homer" Madja replies. With that... Food, music and the celebration begins of the joining of the Prince and Princess.

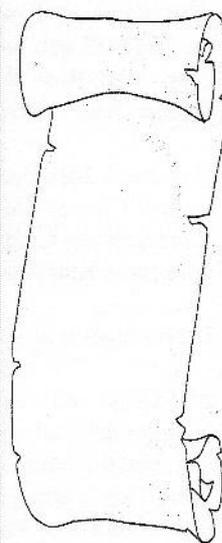
After a short visit with Prince Homer, his servant, Kathy and his harem, Princess Madja and Rose head back to their kingdom. Rose had noticed a glow appearing around Madja as they traveled the mads home. She knew, as did Madja, that something special was to happen in a short while.

"Now we await for the magical day", Princess Madja comments to Rose, as she settles in for the birth of her children. Meanwhile, Madja appeared once again before the Pharaohs. "You have done as we asked" Ptah says to Madja. "In a short time, you will give birth to 8 beautiful babies" Maat stated to Madja. "But one shall spend a short time with you" As that will be Ta-urt in the form of one of your children. She will be there to make their births easy and without much discomfort. Then she shall return to the valley. Your mammisi shall be filled with all of your needs", Maat had told her

With that, Madja returned to her kingdom and awaited for that special day. Maat was correct. Madja had her food presented to her often. She was offered more selection of meals than before. Madja had even more pampering than before. Madja was not expected to do any of her normal routine, so she spent most of her hours hunting in the fields around her kingdom. She enjoyed many of the prey she had caught, but most memorable were the 5 newborn baby rabbits she consumed just a few days before she gave birth. She allowed the mother to go free, but did not spare the lives of her young. Then on May 20, 2003 the arrival of 4 new Princes and 4 new Princesses, in 4 hours (12:30AM - 4:30 AM) appeared. Madja named each of her children after members of a crew of a starship, that traveled the heavens...

Please bow your heads and raise your hands to the sky singing praise to the Gods, announcing another event in the DeJa'vie Hounds Kingdom...

Champion Bramblewood's DeJa'Vue Forthcoming



would like to present her newest arrivals. Here are: Number 1, Deanna, Jean Luc, Worf, Beverly, Wesley, 7 of 9 and Data. And as Maat had stated, Worf had returned to the "Valley of Kings" a few short hours after he arrived.

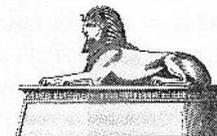
In a few weeks, these children will be known as:

DeJa'Vue's The Next Generation "Jean Luc" Rose's male
 DeJa'Vue Where No One's Gone B'For "Guinan/Deanna" Rose's female
 DeJa'Vue's TNG Identity Crisis "Data" Rose's male
 DeJa'Vue's Atair The Next Phase "Phaser" Chris Allen's female
 DeJa'Vue's Enterprising Xperience "Naboo" Erica Kasper's female
 DeJa'Vue's Journeys End "Journey" Gayle Sutton's female
 DeJa'Vue's Resistance Is Futile "Pika-Chu" Ed & Kristin Gambler's male

DeJa'Vue Hounds

Ibizan Hounds and Rhodesian Ridgebacks
 Rose Bednarski-Simonson & Eric Simonson

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7) not passed Nancy Billups proposes a raffle as follows: ed note: Nancy is the only volunteer for chair of the Ways and Means committee. I am going to abbreviate due to the long content and will allow Nancy to bring up the details in the committee. ("I am a member of the American Whippet Club and the Lone Star Whippet Club, and we do something in both clubs that makes a lot of money. We do a raffle table at every national and at our supported entry at Ft. Worth every year...it is amazing the amount of money this generates for us.... We ask for donations all year long, and really do get some neat stuff to raffle off. ... I thought it might be a good fundraiser and I would be willing to organize it and hold all the raffle items until the national. I would also be willing to travel to the national and organize the raffle table and all the particulars.") Lisa Puskas motions; Carol Kaufman seconds approved: Jan Winner, Rose Bednarski, Bonnie Flemming, Lisa Puskas not approved: Bill DeLong, Alice Mirestes abstain: Carol Dickerson Kauffman, Katie Campbell

8) not passed Lisa Puskas motions (for Rose Bednarski) that IHCUS allow the club logo to be used as the photo on the "IHCUS gab Internet newsgroup." It would be the newsgroup for IHCUS members only Carol Kauffman seconds approved: Rose Bednarski, Bonnie Flemming, Carol Dickerson Kauffman, Bill DeLong, not approved: Jan Winner, Katie Campbell abstain: Lisa Puskas, Alice Mirestes,

9) passed Lisa Puskas motions (for Alice Mirestes) to hold an IHCUS supported entry at the Northwest Arkansas Kennel Club on December 6 & 7, 2003 (one was held there last year)." Carol Kaufman seconds approved: Jan Winner, Katie Campbell, Rose Bednarski, Bonnie Flemming, Lisa Puskas, Alice Mirestes abstain: Carol Dickerson Kauffman, Bill DeLong,

10) no motion or second received

11) not passed AKC would like to know if we want to set up a "Meet the Breeds" booth at the AKC Eukanuba National Invitational Championship on December 3, 2003. If we approve, we would have a member in the area set up and man the booth. Club approved information would be passed out, and dogs would be present for spectators to view. This is considered educational outreach by AKC, and they expect clubs to provide this type of outreach. Lisa Puskas motions; Jan Winner seconds approved: Jan Winner, Rose Bednarski, Bonnie Flemming, Lisa Puskas abstain: Katie Campbell, Carol Dickerson Kauffman, Bill DeLong, Alice Mirestes

12) passed Lisa Puskas motions that new board business be posted to this web page the first week of each month (this is termed a "meeting" in the bylaws). Jan Winner seconds approved: Jan Winner, Katie Campbell, Rose Bednarski, Bonnie Flemming, Lisa Puskas, Carol Dickerson Kauffman, Bill DeLong, Alice Mirestes

13) passed Vote to approve new member, Bonnie C Kruger Lisa Puskas motions to approve. Carol Kaufman seconds approved: Jan Winner, Katie Campbell, Rose Bednarski, Bonnie Flemming, Lisa Puskas, Carol Dickerson Kauffman, Bill DeLong, Alice Mirestes

14) passed Vote to approve new member, Glenn Cameron Lisa Puskas motions to approve. Carol Kaufman seconds approved: Jan Winner, Katie Campbell, Rose Bednarski, Bonnie Flemming, Lisa Puskas, Carol Dickerson Kauffman, Bill DeLong, Alice Mirestes

15) passed Heidi Clevestine proposes: Study of Hair Length in the Ibizan Hound

"I would like the Board to consider granting approval to my request to do a study on hair length in the Ibizan Hound. I propose measuring the length of coat between the shoulder blades on any and all Ibizans for the next three years, primarily at IHCUS functions, but also any other time I might find specimens as I wish to include as many different Ibizan Hounds as possible. The questions I seek to answer are the following: to estimate the average actual length of coat seen in the breed, both as a whole and within the different coat types; is there a difference between the genders; and whether coat length changes over the dog's lifetime, say from puppy to adulthood. The information I will be taking from owners will be the dog's age and gender, whether the person presenting the dog terms it a smooth or wire, and how long the hair between the shoulder blades is. I will be taking the owner and dog's call name for the purpose of being able collate data and to update the file should the same dog be presented for measuring more than once. ANY PERSONAL DATA will NOT be published in the results. Each individual dog in the study will be given an individual study number consisting of the date and numerical sequence in which the dog was measured that day (i.e. Today is June 13, 2003. Say I measure 3 dogs, all for the first time. The first dog I measure is assigned #613031, the third is

#613033.). A sample form would include the following questions:

Dog's Study number _____
 Dog's gender _____
 Dog's age at 1st measurement _____
 Age at next measurement (if applicable) _____
 Dog is considered: Smooth _____ Wire _____
 1st Measurement _____ Date _____
 2nd Measurement _____ Date _____

A sample form at the end of the study might look something like this:

Dog's Study number #613031 _____
 Dog's gender M _____
 Dog's age at 1st measurement 6 mons _____
 Age at next measurement (if applicable) 3 years _____
 Dog is considered: Smooth x Wire _____
 1st Measurement .7" Date 6/13/03 _____
 2nd Measurement .7" Date 6/13/06 _____

Note that I only include 1st and 2nd Measurement. It is not inconceivable that a dog may end up being measured multiple times - what will be used for the study in each case is the LAST measurement taken of a dog at the end of the three years. The way I intend setting this up will allow for easily updating the file as the study progresses. Though I can see having someone help record data, I propose being the only person doing the actual measurements themselves to ensure it being done on a consistent basis.

Measurement will be done with the use of a machinists rule laid flat between the shoulder blades with the hair laying over it, making sure the hair lays flat over the rule and does not stick up giving a false reading. This rule is a flat metal piece divided by 1000ths in 10, 100, 32 and 64 1000ths increments. I intend using the simplest measurement, which is in 10ths. The length would then be recorded as, for example, 1.5", which is the same as 1 1/2 ". The reason the shoulder blade location was selected was to find an easily seen and accessible location on the dog's body to use merely as a control. Should the Board wish other locations to also be used to give a more well-rounded view of coat lengths within individual dogs of different coat types, I can accommodate that request to include other areas. However, those measurements would be reported as separate from the shoulder blade measurement.

What I expect the report to consist of is a series of ranges: number of all dogs measured, the number of males and females, the range of all dogs average length, the number of and range of all "smooth" lengths, the number of and range of all "wire" lengths, the range between males and females of the different designations, range of difference between dogs measured as puppies vs adult length, and so forth. At the end of the three years, I intend providing the results to IHCUS, publishing the study in the Third Eye for the use of the fancy as a whole. Of course, I would be happy to provide progress reports and updates to both the Board and the membership as the study progresses, if so desired.

It is my sincere wish this proposed study be approved by the Board. Please feel free to address any concerns regarding this request to me.

Lisa Puskas motions. Bill DeLong seconds. approved: Jan Winner, Katie Campbell, Rose Bednarski, Bonnie Flemming, Lisa Puskas, Carol Dickerson Kauffman, Bill DeLong, Alice Mirestes

16) passed Lisa Puskas motions that discussion be opened on the Judges Education Committee's Power Point presentation, and that the board view the presentation and send their comments to the secretary (note: The board has to approve this presentation before it can be used at breed seminars.) Carol Kaufman seconds approved: Jan Winner, Katie Campbell, Rose Bednarski, Bonnie Flemming, Lisa Puskas, Carol Dickerson Kauffman, Bill DeLong, Alice Mirestes

17) passed Lisa Puskas motions that the board appoint a by-laws committee in an effort to revise the by-laws and make them applicable to modern technology regarding conducting board business through email. Carol Kaufman seconds approved: Jan Winner, Katie Campbell, Rose Bednarski, Bonnie Flemming, Lisa Puskas, Carol Dickerson Kauffman, Bill DeLong, Alice Mirestes

NEW MEMBERS:

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COMMITTEES

Judges Education: Chair: Susan Viveiros Members: Glenn Cameron, Susan Fegan, Eric Liebes, Lisa Puskas, Amanda Vardew, Luane Williams

Breeder Referral: Chair: Pam Mutchek Members: Elizabeth Binney Lisa Puskas, Cheri Talbot

Rescue: Chair: Rose Bednarski Members: Bill DeLong, Susan Fegan, Pam Mutchek, Cheri Talbot

Membership: Chair: Rose Bednarski Members: Sunny Lewis

Health & Research: Chair: Lisa Puskas Members: Katie Betz, Amanda Vardew, Alison Fegan

Ways & Means: Chair: Nancy Billups Members: Bill DeLong, Judy Lange

Awards: no members

AKC Delegate: Luanne Williams

Historian: Carol Kauffman

Newsletter: Holly Hamilton

ASFA Delegate: Holly Hamilton

AKC Gazette Columnist: Bonnie Flemming Alternate/contributor: Susan Fegan



Duna photo by E. Ockerman

IHCUS Breeder Referral Committee Report- January 1, 2003 to June 20, 2003

I know I am not saying anything new when I say there has been a great increase of interest in our breed since Bunny took the Group at Westminster! With this in mind, I think everyone must be even more diligent in screening prospective homes so we do not have dogs returned to breeder given away, turned over to shelters or worse. It is amazing some of the reasons people think they want a dog but then I am sure you have heard your share of these stories also.

A summary of the 2003 (January 1 to June 20) Breeder Referral Committee is: A total of 149 requests for Breeder Referral information packet. Breeder Referral was found through these sources: 21 IHCUS web site, 34AKC web site, 23 other web sites, 1 old issue of Dog Fancy, 4 from member (I would like to thank those members who referred prospective owners to the Breeder Referral Committee so we could give them the names of all those on the BR list) and 69 unknown sources (these are people who did not answer how they found IHCUS Breeder Referral Contact Person or could not remember how they found IHCUS Breeder Referral Contact Person). Requests came in the form of 134 e-mail, 16 phone calls and 2 letters. The breakdown of inquires by month is as follows: January 8, February 68, March 28, April 20, May 16, June 12. The totals do not match the total inquires as some people inquiring gave more than one answer for the source and may have called plus sent an e-mail. The number of inquires last year as of June 20 was 64. There was a yearly total of 132 requests in 2002, 163 requests in 2001, 148 requests for 2000 and 152 for 1999.

The committee expense summary for 2002 follows:

Postage \$48.00; phone \$6.45; printing \$70.03; office supplies \$4.99 for a total of \$129.47.

Application forms will be included with annual dues application for those interested in submitting an application to be on the Breeder Referral List this coming year (2004). Participants need to reapply annually. There may be changes to the Application Form so if you have any questions please feel free to e-mail me before submitting your application to insure that you meet the deadline.

Respectfully Submitted June 21, 2003
Cheri Talbot
IHCUS Breeder Referral Chairperson

**Note: Please note that Pam Mutchek is
Breeder Referral Chair for 2003-2004*



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The look



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