



December 1983 NEBCA NEWS

THE NEXT MEETING will be Sunday, January 15th, at 1pm, at Woolgather Farm in Merrimac, Mass., the home of Carole & David Presberg.

[Please note: the January meeting was originally scheduled to be held at Coolidge Farms, but as of January 1st, Vergil & Bonnie Holland will no longer be living there, and as of this writing they are uncertain as to where they will be by the date of the meeting.]

THE NEBCA DECEMBER MEETING

NEBCA met on December 11th at the home of Janice and Dave Onyon in Townshend, Vermont. Since a candidate for Sec'y-Treas. had not yet been found and therefore no ballots had been sent out, the election did not take place as planned. The current Sec'y-Treas., Fran Wheeler, announced that she would not stay in office even one more day, and had brought all of NEBCA's assets with her to hand over to whoever was elected to take her place. Maurice MacGregor, the current President of NEBCA, also announced his resignation as of that moment. The money was handed over to Barbara Leverett, who was acting as secretary for that meeting, and Vergil Holland, the current Vice-President, then chaired the meeting.

As to the election, there is indeed a slate of candidates, drawn up by the nominating committee, including, happily, a Sec'y-Treas., and there will be an election at the next meeting (see above). The ballot is attached in this issue of NEBCA NEWS (see page 3).

A list of guidelines is being prepared that will be made available to persons requesting information on putting on a trial. NEBCA has a trial committee consisting of Fran Wheeler, Crawford Taisey, Maurice MacGregor and Vergil Holland. This committee was appointed by the president at some time in the past and is the working committee when it comes to NEBCA putting on any trial. It is now working on the trial in the Spring (that was formerly Cummington--the Cummington Fair has been moved to Westford for this coming year), the possibility of Nursery Trials, and of course the Championship Trial in the Fall.

There was some discussion about the letter from Vergil and Edgar that appeared in the last issue. There is great controversy over this idea (the idea of supplying judges for the trials from the handlers

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There will definitely be an election at the meeting and the ballot is included in this issue of NEBCA NEWS (see page 3). Please try and come to vote (or send your ballot to the chairman of the nominating committee, Crawford Taisey (address on ballot)). We know there is only one slate of candidates presented to you, but voting for them will confirm that you are behind them. You may of course vote against them if you want to.

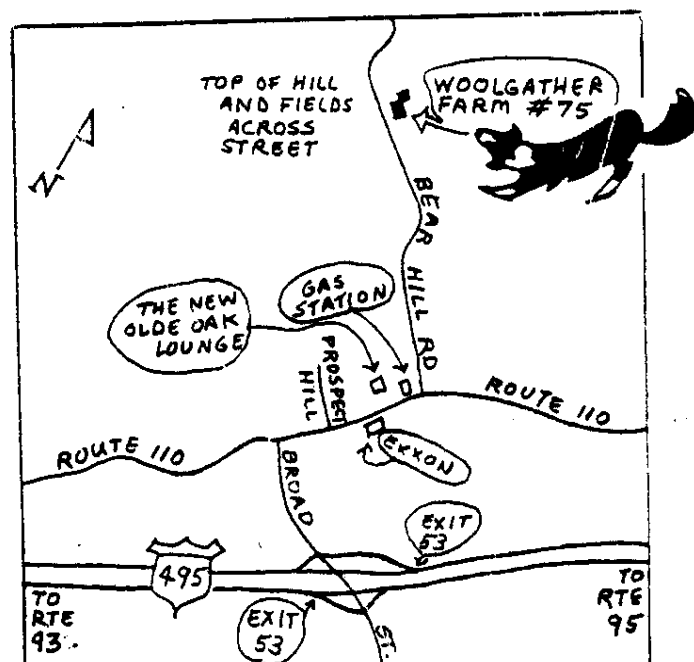
NEBCA TO HAVE ASSISTANT TO THE SECRETARY-TREASURER THIS YEAR

Outgoing Secretary-Treasurer, Fran Wheeler, insists that the job of Sec'y-Treas. should be held by one person. She points out that the Secretary part of the job is always writing letters and doing other things that require the outlay of money, as well as being the one who gets the checks from membership renewals. She claims that if there were two positions, the Secretary would always have to be asking the Treasurer for money, and the Treasurer would always be having to

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A Dales shepherd and his dog, from Life in the Yorkshire Dales, A Pictorial review Compiled by W.R. Mitchell, Dalesmen Books, 1980.



DIRECTIONS TO WOOLGATHER FARM

From all directions, take Rte. 495 in Mass. to exit 53 ("Broad Street, Merrimac, Merrimacport"). If coming from Rte. 93 and/or the west, this will be the exit after all the Haverhill exits. If coming from Rte. 95 and/or the north and east, this is the 2nd exit on Rte. 495 south.

If coming from the west, turn left, and if coming from the east, turn right at the bottom of the exit ramp and go toward "Merrimac". Turn right at the "T"-intersection onto Rte. 110. Take the second left which is Bear Hill Road. (Note: the first left is a bit obscure and you might not see it; but you will pass these landmarks before you get to Bear Hill Road: an Exxon Station on your right, then a road house called "The New Olde Oak Lounge" on your left, followed by a small unmarked gas station also on the left; Bear Hill Road is immediately after this gas station.)

We are No. 75, at the top of the hill on the right, a brown house with a blue door and a glassed-in porch. The number is on the mailbox across the street.

YOUR DUES ARE DUE

Article III of the NEBCA By-Laws states that "Membership dues shall be \$10.00 for an individual member and \$15.00 for a family or farm membership payable January 1 of each year."

Since there is not at the moment a Sec'y-Treas., you may send your dues to Barbara Leverett who is acting Sec'y-Treas. (RD#1, Box 346B, Cobleskill, NY 12043, tel. 518-234-3687), or you may pay your dues at the next meeting to the newly elected Sec'y-Treas., or send them to her when her name is published in the next NEBCA NEWS.

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RFD 1
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Andover, NH 03216

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181 Evergreen Dr.
Stratford, CT 06497

DECEMBER MEETING, continued.

themselves) and there needs to be more discussion. In a letter written to Edgar, Denise Leonard stressed that a well-judged trial is necessary and suggested a Judging Clinic at the trial at Westford.

It was suggested that perhaps the fairs preferred points trials because they thought that spectators understood them better. This was refuted by someone saying that it didn't matter what kind of trial it was, the spectators didn't understand it anyway. Someone thought that the fairs associations should be able to make up their own minds as to what kind of trial they have. It was pointed out that if we put this idea into effect, we would be supplying judges as an alternative and not as a requirement.

The "theory of the letter" was accepted by the meeting (4 in favor, 3 against, 1 abstention) and given

over to the trials committee to work on.

There will be a calendar again next year, and Vergil and Bonnie Holland are the calendar committee. Some suggestions for the calendar were: a group picture, or pictures, of the 12 finalists that competed in the Championship Trial; only pictures of working dogs or dogs working; credit for the cover picture. If you have any suggestions, see Vergil or Bonnie.

Much thanks to Dave and Janice for their warm hospitality on a cold day. □

SHEEP-to-SHAWL TOUR of SCOTLAND: August 1984. Visit wool craftsmen, working sheep farms, sheepdog trials in Highlands & Islands. Commitments needed by March. SASE to Woolgather Farm, 75 Bear Hill Rd., Merrimac, MA 01860 (617-346-4385).

Right, illustration from Scottish Songs edited by A.W.Tomlyn, old, undated.

WANTED to Buy: young, untrained dog for breeding. Prefer imported working strain, rough coat, full white collar, and fair size. Call collect, Gordon Campbell, 234 Lower Creek Rd., Ithaca, NY 14850 (607-347-4295)



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THE NORTHEAST BORDER COLLIE ASSOCIATION (NEBCA) 1984 BALLOT

[Each member has one vote and a family or farm membership has two. PLEASE VOTE. Send your ballot to the chairman of the nominating committee (who for the purposes of this election is also the chairman of the election committee), Crawford Taisey, 207 Main Street, Freeport, ME 04032. It is unnecessary to use an envelope. Just mark your votes, and fold and staple the ballot, put on a stamp (it is already addressed), and drop it in the mailbox.]

FOR PRESIDENT:	VERGIL HOLLAND	YES []	NO []
FOR VICE-PRESIDENT:	JOHN HOOD	YES []	NO []
FOR SECRETARY-TREASURER:	FAITH WEBB	YES []	NO []

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NEBCA ASS'T. SEC'Y-TREAS., cont.

write checks to the Secretary. That would be too confusing, she says.

However, quite often, the job of Secretary-Treasurer got to be a big one for Fran, perhaps too much for one person to handle. Furthermore, if the Sec'y-Treas. cannot make a meeting, then a Temporary or Acting Sec'y-Treas. has to be appointed by the President to take minutes.

Last year, NEBCA NEWS came into being as a way of taking some of the burden off of the Sec'y-Treas. NEBCA NEWS acts as the communication arm of the Sec'y-Treas., and saves her having to mail out notices of meetings and other announcements, and of generally having to inform the membership of the goings-on of NEBCA.

This year, something new is being tried out as well: an Assistant to the Secretary-Treasurer. This will be an appointed office, rather than

an elected one, and the first person to hold this office is Barbara Leverett, from Cobleskill, N.Y. Barbara has already been functioning to some extent in this role, having taken the minutes for the last two meetings, and now holding the money in place of the nonexistent Sec'y-Treas. (and she has been doing a good job). Among her duties will be the taking of minutes when the Sec'y-Treas. is not present at a meeting (this is an important role since NEBCA meets in many different locations, and Barbara is on the western side of our membership). But there will also be other duties, and no doubt the job will evolve as time goes on and what is needed becomes more apparent.

It should be emphasized that this position is as ASSISTANT to the Sec'y-Treas., and that the position of Sec'y-Treas. still resides in one person who remains responsible. However, we feel that the position and Barbara Leverett in the position, will be a valuable asset to NEBCA.

Girl with collie—from a painting by Richard Ansdell. (Sothebys, Belgravia)



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CRAWFORD TAISEY
Chairman of the Election Committee
NEBCA
207 Main Street
Freeport, ME 04032

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NEBCA 1983 MEMBERSHIP LIST, continued

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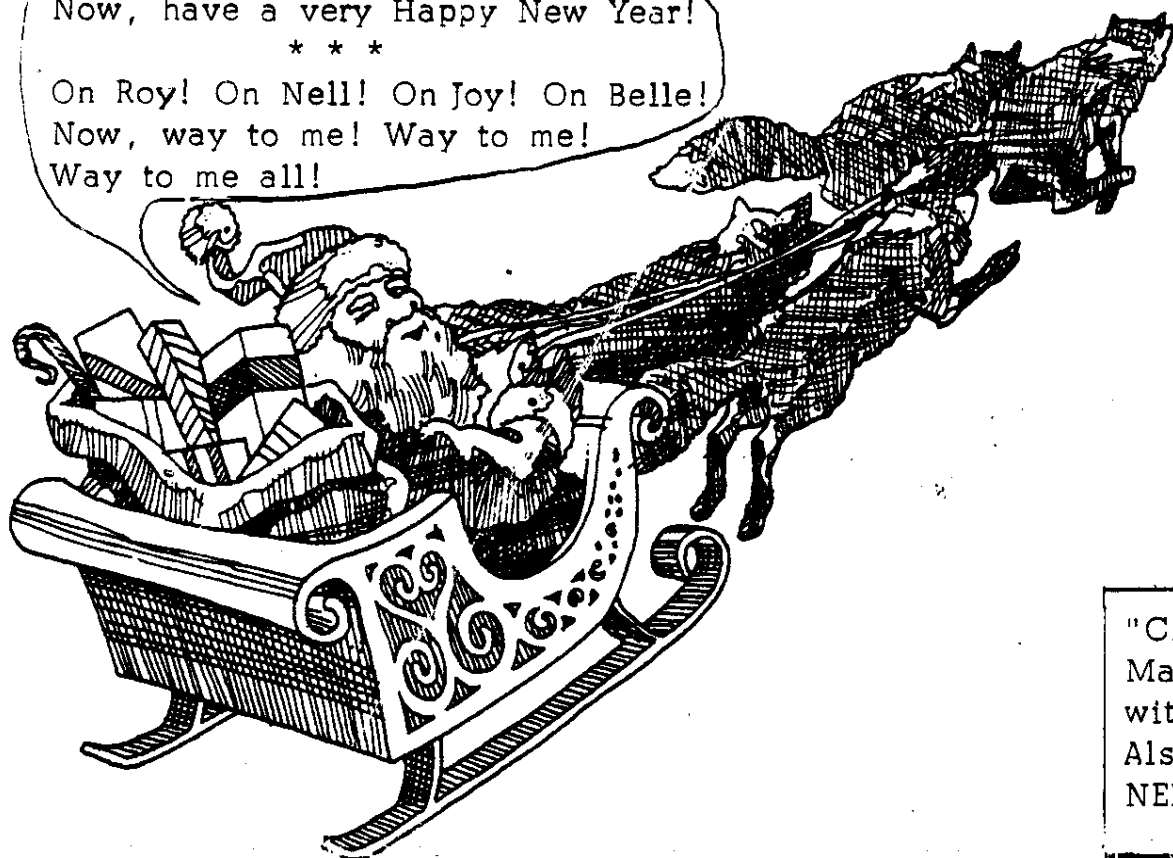
Fran Wheeler
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Portland, ME 04103

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Hope you had a merry Christmas!
Now, have a very Happy New Year!

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On Roy! On Nell! On Joy! On Belle!
Now, way to me! Way to me!
Way to me all!



NEBCA OFFICERS

ACTING PRESIDENT: Vergil Holland

ACTING SEC'Y-TREAS: Barbara Leverett,
Cobleskill, New York (518-234-3687)

NEBCA 1983 MEMBERSHIP LIST, concluded.

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"Classified" ads (for puppies, or whatever) are \$1.
Make checks payable to NEBCA, and send it, along
with your ad (if it's too long it will be edited) to me.
Also send me any information you want included in
NEBCA NEWS.

- Carole Presberg, editor

NORTHEAST BORDER COLLIE ASSOCIATION

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THE NORTHEAST BORDER COLLIE ASSOCIATION (NEBCA) BREEDERS DIRECTORY

[Full year listing, 5 line max., \$2.50 payable to NEBCA c/o Woolgather Farm, 75 Bear Hill Road, Merrimac, MA 01860]

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