

THE NEBCA MARCH MEETING & REPORT ON THE JUDGING CLINIC

NEBCA met on May 5th at the trial at U.Conn. A report was given by Betty Levin on the Judging Clinic given for the NEBCA judges. It was taught by Edgar Gould, and Crawford Taisey, Ellen Raja, Denise Leonard, Dayle Hamilton, Vergil Holland and Betty attended. Ed Talbot, who has a video camera and has recorded previous NEBCA clinics and puppy days, was there and made a cassettes of this clinic.

morning was spent with blackboard and discussion. There was a trial after lunch and everyone scored each other. Each run was discussed before the next run took The video proved to be helpful and informative, and Ed Talbot deserves many thanks for being interested enough in Border collies to come out for something like this. The clinic was an obvious success. A measure of its success was that those who had. expressed doubt that they were competent to judge prior to the clinic, came away feeling that they could do so after it. Betty, who judged the novice trial at Westford soon after, said that she would not have felt confident to do so had the clinic not taken place.

It was suggested that NEBCA spend more time and money on other judging clinics, for everyone who is interested, not just for the judges. This is a splendid idea, not only because there are many people who are interested in such a clinic, but much can be learned about trialing and working dogs in general.

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THE NEXT MEETING will be Friday, June 22nd at Walt Jagger's Sheepy Hollow Farm, Hop Bottom, PA 18824, at 8:00pm. Phone Walt for directions at 717-289-4663.

Please note that this is a departure from our more usual Sunday afternoon meetings, the reason being that the next day, Saturday, June 23rd, is

the PENNSYLVANIA STATE CHAMPIONSHIP
STOCK DOG TRIALS
and Chicken Barbecue
also at Sheepy Hollow Farm

This trial has two classes: The Ranch Class for dogs who have never placed in an open trial (shortened course with one drive and pen) and the Open Class (with a regular course). The fee is \$12.50 per dog in the Ranch Class and \$20 per dog in the Open, and the deadline for ventering is June 14th. Phone or write Walt Jagger, address and phone humber, above.

PLEASE PAY YOUR DUES IF YOU HAVEN'T! Dues are \$10 for an individual member and \$15 for a family or farm. Please make your check payable to the Northeast Border Collie Assocand send it to Faith Webb, Harding Hill Farm, Mt. Sunapee, NH 03772.

DAVE KENNARD'S SUMMER SHEEPDOG CLINIC

Dave Kennard will hold his traditional summer sheepdog clinic on Saturday, July 7th (Rain Date: Sunday, July 8th), 9am to 4pm or later. It will be one day only this year with enrollment limited, so sign up soon. Besides classes for beginners (taught by Dave, and by Maurice MacGregor) there will be a Mock Trial for more experienced people who want to try it. \$25 per dog to Dave Kennard, Wellscroft Farm, Chesham, NH 03455 (603-827-3464).

THE 1985 NEBCA CALENDAR

The Calendar is out! And it's very nice this year. The front cover is a large, lovely color photograph, taken in Scotland, of a Border collie herding four sheep. Inside is packed with all sorts of goodies: pictures of handlers and their dogs; Border collies with lambs (nothing is more appealing); BCs herding ducks; close-ups at sheepdog trials; and more! At the back is a breeders directory, a dog whelping calendar, dog breeding records, etc. Send \$5.00 (check made out to NEBCA) to Bonnie Holland at P.O. Box 165, Topsfield, MA 01983.



Picture: GORDON AMORY

Leading the field: Carron with coilie Gail and two of her charges

By ALAN BAXTER

MODERN Bo Peep Carron Carmicael knows her sheep . . . and where to find them.

The 22-year-old farmer's daughter has set up a dial-a-shepherd service.

Carron believes farmers will flock to use her one girl and a dog business. She hit on the idea of easing the workload for hard-pressed sheep farmers after leaving agricultural college with a distinction.

Yesterday as she helped to look after 250 breeding ewes on her parents' farm near Milbourne. Northumberland. Carron said: "I have worked with sheep since I was a child. These days farmers are counting the cost of employing full-time shepherds. Time-consuming jobs with sheep are often skipped. I aim to offer a full year-round flock service, everything from lambing to shearing."

With her faithful collie bitch, Gail, and a trusty Lan-Rover, Carron has already got Goldcoats Shepherding Service on the road for her first customers.

And if business keeps improving, Carron hopes to employ her younger brother, Keith.

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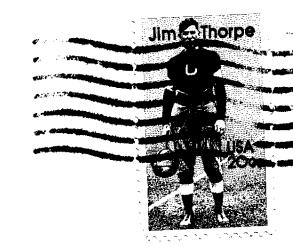
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