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TO MEMBERS AT LARGE

As a result of a general meeting of the membership held at the Fall Foliage Championship Trial in Altamont, New York, the following items were discussed in depth. The membership requested statements of philosophy to be produced in the following areas:

1. The Northeast Border Collie Association was formed primarily for the purpose of "promoting the working border collie".

We, as an organization, believe that any abuse of the border collie or any other animal it herds be it sheep, cattle, ducks or other livestock will directly hinder the goal of "promoting the working border collie".

- 2. The only official publication of the Northeast Border Collie Association is the NEBCA NEWS.
- 3. Trial results will be listed in their entirety from all submitted reports.

Hopefully these statements will clarify recent issues.

Thank You,
Cheryl Jagger, President
Crawford Taisey, Vice President
Doug McDonough, Secretary/Treasurer
Becky Peterson, Assistant Secretary/Treasurer
Crawford Taisey, Trials Committee Chairman

PLEASE NOTE THE NEW ADDRESS FOR YOUR NEWSLETTER. THE NEBCA NEWS HAS ITS OWN POST OFFICE BOX. WE FEEL THAT THIS WILL HELP US BE MORE ORGANIZED. EDITOR'S BARK

This past year, the association has seen alot of heavy criticism, negative comments, personal conflicts, gossip and the like. And we know how easy it is to get bogged down by it all and see "only" this side of things. But this fall one of us was lucky enough to talk with someone who was arguing the positive side. And they made their point well eonugh to make us sit back and look at "The Big Picture," so to speak. That person's comments became the inspiration for this issue's Editors Bark!

You see, with just a little research we found that shining through all this were some bright steps forward for NEBCA.

In the last three years, membership in NEBCA has doubled. In the last two years, the number of trials held in the Northeast has almost doubled. And this is due largely to the number of Novice and Ranch trials now offered. It takes a long day now to run through all the handlers that enter these trials. And the number of Clinics? Well, between handlers clinics, judging clinics, training clinics and puppy days, the number has more than doubled. (Dare we say tripled in 1988?!)

What does all this mean? It means the membership is doing a good job of recruiting. It means we are finding effective ways of disseminating information. (Thank-you Beverly and Doug for your work on the pamphlet.) It means the quality of work is increasing. And it means a lot of new handlers are learning to work and trial new Border Collies. In short, it means NEBCA is accomplishing its main goal. Which is? To promote the Border Collie as a viable working breed.

So, we are on the right track. Which isn't to say that our flaws don't exist. But, it's nice every once in a while to sit back and look at the Big Picture!

Your Editors,

KPW and DAL

MINUTES OF MEETING OCTOBER 17, 1987

The meeting was called to order at 6:27 PM by President Cheryl Jagger at the Fall Foliage Championship trial held at Mike and Pat Canaday's in Altamont, New York. Cheryl and Mike made opening remarks thanking several people for helping to make the Championship Trial weekend a sucess. Appreciation was also expressed to those people who hosted trials thoughout the season and also to those who judged them.

Nursery Trials program committee Lynnette and Becky presented nine certificates of achievement to the following dogs and handlers:

Novice Novice:

Gwen Cassel and Pen Rick Trojanski and Greta Dick Williams and Dudley Dick Williams and Mac

Pro Novice:

Margaret Krysak and Jen

Ranch:

Roger Deschambeault and Cap Iain Frances and Pip Paul Heidenberg and Coby Walt Jagger and Lad

Awards were made to all of the twenty dogs qualifying for the Championship Trial. Plaques and ribbons were awarded to the top ten High Point Dogs for the 1987 season. There were actually 13 dogs in the top ten since there were 3 ties.

The treasurers report was read by the assistant secretary:

As of 9/30/87 the balance on hand was \$1360.18, which includes "separate funds" for both the Supreme Champion Trophy and the Novice Championship Trial.

We have gotton approximately 25 new members from the pamphlet--over 10% of our membership.

The calendar and fencing are both paid for, Upcoming expenses are the newsletter and the Championship Trial.

A motion was made and seconded to accept the treasurer's report.

The Secretaries report was not given as the minutes of the previous meeting were published in the newsletter. (Were the minutes accepted? Editor's note)

Old Business:

Nursery Trial Report: Chairman Lynnette asked membership to give serious thought to the program so that past problems can be ironed out at the annual meeting. The committee stated they would like to see two nursery trials per month during the 1988 season. Walt thanked the committee for many hours of hard work.

Pat Canady reported that there are 227 1988 calendars left to sell. are no outstanding payments from consignments. She still offers lots of ten calendars at \$4.00 each or singles for \$5.00 each. Pat said that other items are moving nicely. Mike and Pat have done an exceptional job of promoting Border Collie items.

New Business:

Walt reported that Tom Conn's trial set for October 31 and November 1 in La Trobe, PA will be the first NEBCA qualifying trial for 1988.

There was much discussion over the editorial presented in the last issue of the Northeastern Sheepdog Newsletter (NSN). The letter brought to light the problem of dog abuse and using strong language, basically accused the NEBCA of condoning the behavior. There has been much concern over the consequences of this editorial and the act of leaving suspected abusers names off subsequent trial reports in the newsletter, NSN, published by Nancy Hayes. There were several statements made, including:

- We as an association do not condon abuse to Border Collies.
- 2. The NEBCA does not sponsor any trials with the exception of the Fall Foliage Championship.
- 3. The NEBCA should not be held liable as the NSN is not our official publication.
- 4. Nancy Hayes has successfully published this newsletter for several years. It has been a very important link in the promotion of the breed. We do need her newsletter.
- 5. We should not overreact.

It was suggested that the NEBCA should send a letter to all members and NSN subscribers about how we feel about the editorial and the problem. Walt motioned and Pat seconded that the NEBCA should write a letter as an association to all of our members to be sent in our newsletter (the NEBCA NEWS) and to the non-NEBCA NSN subscribers stating our position on dog abuse and that we do not agree with Nancy's proposed method of not listing suspected dog abusers names in the trial results in case a name is mistakenly dropped from a

report in the future. We should state that we do not necessarily agree with the ideas and viewpoints presented in the said editorial. The letter will be signed by all the NEBCA officers and Trials Committee Chairman. The motion was passed.

The NEBCA NEWS editors Denise Leonard and Kristen Whittle have said in the past that the way our newsletter is put out should be revised. It was realized that trial results and dates may have to be included in the future. A response from the NSN and Nancy Hayes will point our direction.

A new site for the annual meeting is being discussed.

There was no futher business.

The motion to adjourn was made and seconded at 7:52 PM.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

** The 1988 Annual meeting will be held January 9, 1988, at 10:00 AM at the Sunderland Fire Station, Sunderland, MA. Take exit 24 (S. Deerfield, Sunderland) off route 91. Going North-go right at end of ramp; going south-go left at end of ramp. Both-take next right onto Route 116 towards Sunderland. Follow Rte 116 over Connecticut River to traffic lights. Go left at lights onto Rte 47 North. Take the first right, just before the town hall (about 100 ft). Fire station is on your left. It's OK to park in front of the Town Hall or across the street in front of the Library; just don't block the Fire Station! There are no dogs allowed at the Fire Station. Coffee and Donuts will be provided in the morning. Please bring something for a potluck lunch. The most convenient motel in the area is Motel 6, which is just off route 91 in So. Deerfield and a few minutes from the meeting place. Rates are reasonable and dogs are allowed in some rooms available on a first come first serve basis. Call them at 413-665-7161 for reservations. Any questions, call Kristen.

** 1988 Dues are due! Membership costs \$10.00 per individual or \$15.00 per family or farm. Also this is the time to renew your name on the breeder's directory. The fee is \$10.00 per listing. The Breeder's Directory is included in all NEBCA publications. There is a form at the end of the newsletter for renewal of membership and breeder's directory. Send this to Doug McDonough, Belfast Library, 46 High St., Belfast, ME, 04915. Also please indicate on the renewal application form whether or not you wish to receive a verbatim copy of the minutes of meetings. Members who joined after July 1 of this year need not renew until next year. Please note that dues and Breeder's Directory fee's MUST be paid by February 1 to be included on the 1988 calendar. THIS IS THE ONLY NOTICE YOU WILL RECEIVE.

** Crawford Taisey would like to have 1988 Trial dates sent to him ASAP. He needs these by the annual meeting so that a calendar of these dates can be made.

** The 1988 calendars are still available! The prices are \$5.00 plus \$1.00 for shipping and handling for a single copy or \$4.00 each plus shipping and handling for ten or more copies (contact Pat and Mike Canaday for shipping and handling charges for multiple copies.) Order yours today from Pat and Mike Canaday, RD 2 Box 365, Meadowdale Road, Altamont, NY 12009, 518-861-6049.

** Pat and Mike also have other "goodies" on sale to benefit NEBCA. These

include decals, patches, whistles, and plain working crooks (\$10.00 plus postage), among other things. Contact the Canadays for a more complete list. Some of these items would make nice Christmas gifts.

** We desperately need pictures for the 1989 calendar! Please put your name and address, the dog's name and the photographer's name on the back of each picture and include a self addressed stamped envelop if you want them back. Send to Kristen Whittle, PO Box 383, Sunderland, MA 01375. We need these pictures by January.

** Deadline for the next NEBCA NEWS is February 1, 1988. Ads cost \$1.50 per issue. Send all submissions to Denise Leonard, PO Box 383, Sunderland, MA 01375.

REPORT FROM THE NEWSLETTER COMMITTEE

As the annual meeting approaches, we feel it is time to evaluate the newsletter and its contribution to the association. To do so we must look at what the newsletter has to offer the members and how effective it is at contributing to their knowledge of the association and the working border collie for which the association was formed.

At the July meeting, a committee was formed to investigate the effectiveness and future direction of the newsletter. The following is a result of our ideas and suggestions. Please consider them and come to the annual meeting with feedback and suggestions. If you can't make the meeting, please write to your editors with your suggestions.

- 1. Why a newsletter?
- a. To keep the membership informed of association business and create a "common forum" for the exchange of information and ideas.
- b. To provide information both factual and creative involving all aspects of the Border Collie.
 - c. To promote the Border Collie as a viable working breed.
- d. To provide a common means of communication between members whom might not be otherwise heard.
- 2. What would we like to change?
 - a. Duplication of portions of the Northeastern Sheepdog Newsletter.
 - b. Having to chase information.
 - c. Inefficient use of space.
- 3. What do we want to gain?
 - a. Better able to meet the needs of the membership.
 - b. More regular publication dates.
 - c. More efficient use of space for creative and informative material.
 - d. Less consumption of your editors voluntary time.
- 4. Ideas to implement these changes.
- a. Based on the belief that less than 25% of the membership are interested in reading the minutes of each meeting verbatim we recommend that a complete version of the minutes be maintained by the secretary and any member wishing to receive the full length version must indicate this on his membership renewal application form. The newsletter will print a much edited version containing all topics discussed, but not necessarily who made the motion, who seconded it, etc. If anyone ever really needed to retrieve a detailed account of a meeting, it would of course be available through the secretary by request.
 - b. Changing the newsletter to a quarterly or tri-annual publication. This

would make it much easier for everyone to know when to expect the newsletter and when to submit materials. It would also save vast amounts of time updating membership lists, etc. at irregular times.

If quarterly, we propose:

Feb/Mar--winter issue--after the annual meeting

May/Jun--spring issue--Trial season issue

Aug/Sept--summer issue--Championship Trial standings

Nov/Dec--winter issue--between Championship Trial and annual meeting

c. Appointing persons to be correspondents who would be responsible for writing and submitting columns on such topics as veterinary problems, training tips, etc.

NEBCA Fall Foliage Championship Trial, Altamont, NY, Oct. 17 & 18 Submitted by Becky Peterson

A fine job was done by Iain and Dot Frances of organizing this years Championship Trial. The weather was cool and breezy. Twenty dogs. all champions in their own right were judged by Bill Wyatt from Kingston, Tennessee. All enjoyed a delicious steak and chicken barbeque followed by Z films provided by Beverly Lambert, Sunday morning followed with a pancake and sausage breakfast. All handlers were back on the field at 8 AM to start their second runs. After one run on Saturday and two on Sunday, each dogs two best scores were combined for a total. The course was a normal left hand drive with Mike Canaday's challenging sheep. The course was hard enough with each handler being rewarded after the pen with his or her chance at the rarely obtained shed which was worth a valuable 15 points.

The trial would not have gone on except for those people behind the scenes that worked so hard for days before. Many thanks to:

Dan Church--Alpo Pet Food--Trial Sponsor

Mike and Pat Canaday--Hosts

Dot Frances and Mel Brenner--Meals

Kristen Whittle--Publicity

Lynnette Milleville--Awards

Vergil Holland, Iain Frances, Dayle Hamilton, Paul Heidenburg

Catskill Crew--Sheep Handling

John Roach

Bernie and Ruth Stahl

The top ten High Points Awards for the 1987 Trial Season were as follows:

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1.	Beverly Lambert	Fly	62 points	
2.	Walt Jagger	Dot	56 points	
3.	Cheryl Jagger	Kim	51 points	
4.	Mike Canaday	Kit	41 points	
4.	Walt Jagger	Jill	41 points	
5.	Cheryl Jagger	Tess	34 points	
6.	Mike Canaday	Sandy	33 points	
7.	Roger Deschambeault	Sue	31 points	
8.	Beverly Lambert	Kate	29 points	
9.	Maurice MacGregor	Robyn	26 points	
9.	Steve Wetmore	Jill	26 points	
10.	Lynn Deschambeault	Dandy	25 points	
10.	Roger Deschambeault	Cap	25 points	
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Notice that thirteen dogs won awards as there were ties for fourth, minth

and tenth place.

Championship Trial Results

1.	Lynn Deschambeault	Dandy	170.5	points
2.	Vergil Holland	Robin	169	points
З.	Roger Deschambeault	Sue	165	points
4.	Cheryl Jagger	Tess	162	points
5.	Walt Jagger	Dot	160	points
6.	Mike Canaday	Sandy	159.5	points
7.	Roger Deschambeault	Daisy	156	points
8.	Walt Jagger	Tweed	155.5	points
9.	Mike Canaday	Kit	153	points
10.	Cheryl Jagger	Kim	150	points

In both categories, 1st and 2nd place were awarded BC clocks and ribbons. 1st place also received imported crooks. 3rd--10th received plaques and ribbons. All 20 dogs qualifying received beautiful stained glass plaques from England. They were in addition to the top 13 High Point dogs:

Roger Deschambeault with Daisy Vergil Holland with Robin Walt Jagger with Tweed Beverly Lambert with Mac Becky Peterson with Fly Edie Overly with Midge Walt Jagger with Perky

The Breeder's Trophy for the breeder of the Championship Trial winner was given by Edgar Gould and went to Sara White of Sheridan, Oregon.

Special awards were given for different phases of work. A total score for all three runs was used.

Best Outwork	Beverly Lambert	Kate	6.5 points deducted
Best Drive	Mike Canaday	Kit	18 points deducted
Best Pen	Walt Jagger	Tweed	2 points deducted
Best Shed	Roger Deschambeault	Sue	0 points deducted

The following is condensed from the August, 1986, Front and Finish, page 7. The article is entitled We Never Got To Say Goodbye and is written by Deborah Hotze. It is relevant considering the push to get BCs x-rayed for hip dysplasia. The author's dog died while under anesthesia for a routine OFA hip x-ray. In this particular procedure, Acepromazine was used as the preanesthetic and Surital as the anesthetic. Border Collies are as a rule heavily muscled and without much body fat. Surital is dependant on sufficient body fat for elimination from the body. The book Medical and Genetic Aspects of Purebred Dogs recommends against the use of thiobarbiturates such as Surital and states that no barbiturates be used with a preanesthetic for the breed of dog, Salukis, which have very low body fat. The same recommendations should be made for Border Collies, particually working dogs. It was also noted in the article that veterinarians differ in anesthetics use and administration. It would be a good idea to discuss this issue with your vet particually if you are considering having a hip x-ray done.

The following recipe comes from Bev Lambert; we thought we'd print it in time for the Holidays.

B.C. Cupcakes

1-1/2 cups flour

Topping:

1 cup sugar
1/4 cup cocoa
1 tsp. baking soda
1/2 tsp salt
1 cup water
1/2 cup oil

1 T vinegar

1 tsp vanilla

8 oz cream cheese 1 egg 1/3 cup sugar dash salt 6 oz choc. chips (1 cup) chopped nuts (optional)

Sift together flour, sugar, cocoa, baking soda, & salt. Add water, oil, vinegar, and vanilla; stirring until smooth. Fill 18 cupcake holder 1/3 full. Set aside.

Mix cream cheese, egg, sugar, salt until smooth and creamy. Stir in chocolate bits. Add 1 T or so of filling to each cupcake and sprinkle with nuts if desired.

Bake for approximately 30 minutes at 350 ° 18 medium sized cupcakes.

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THE SHEPHERDESS SHOPPE would like to remind you to please place orders EARLY for Christmas as some of the stock especially clothing will have a lag time. If you have not received a Flyer, please call Cheryl Jagger at 717-289-4733, or write her at Box 77A R.D. 1, Hop Bottom, PA, 18824.

BORDER COLLIE TRAINING SERVICES both for handler and dogs. For information call or write Cheryl Jagger, RD Box 77A, Hop Bottom, PA 18824, (717) 289-4733.

LOOKING FOR A RESPONSIBLE HOUSE/BC/SHEEP SITTER(S) for about 2 1/2 months from early January to mid-March. Brand new solar house with a spectacular view in Orange Co., New York, near Port Jervis, only 78 mile from NYC. Loving care of two Border Collies and 15 sheep are the duties involved. A firm committment is a must since I will be out of the country. Please call Anne Priest, 914-856-3209.

BORDER COLLIE PUPS FOR SALE whelped 7/16/87 from good bloodlines. Two males and three females. For more information contact Ann Rotherse, RD 3 Box 265 Averill Park, NY 518-766-5312.

IMPORTED-IN-DAM PUPS available: Male pups from Imported KIM (now owned by Diane Czekalski) and CAP (Jim Cropper's male who won the English National 1986). Pups are 8 months old B.D. 2/15/87. Both have shown intense interest in stock. Contact Cheryl Jagger at Box 77A RD 1, Hop Bottom, PA 18824, 717-289-4733.

REGISTERED WORKING BLUE MERLE BORDER COLLIE at stud. Winner of the 1987 NEBCA Championship Trial. OFA certified and PRA clear. Contact Lynn Deschambeault at HCR Box 16, Ctr Conway, NH 03813, 603-939-2255.

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Beverly Lambert's MAC is for sale. He is a fully trained registered Border Collie whelped 6/85. He trialed in open trials this year, qualifying for the NEBCA Championship trial by placing in the top ten at several trials including 4th at Fryeburg (out of 30 dogs). He is an excellent farm dog and a good pet. For information contact Beverly Lambert at Rt 1 Box 34 Chepachet, RI 02814, 401-568-3162.

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