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NEWSLETTER

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NOTES FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK:

Our latest whelping has reminded me how much I rely on two books in my canine library. The first is "Canine Reproduction: a breeder's guide", by Phyllis A. Holst, DVM. Dr. Holst is also a breeder (of Shelties), and brings the perspective of both veterinarian and breeder to this book. Prior to entering veterinary school, she obtained a Master of Science degree with a thesis on the development of the Beagle embryo from conception to implantation. Obviously she has all the qualifications to write a book like this!

The book covers the whole range from "where puppies come from: development and anatomy of the bitch", through breeding management, care of the bitch during pregnancy, and puppy pediatrics, to "when things go wrong: reproductive problems" in

both the male and the bitch. The text is clearly written in plain language, and well illustrated. As always, I found it a real source of confidence on my latest reading, at three a.m., while waiting bleary-eyed for Emily to deliver the first puppy. Highly recommended: published in hardcover in 1985 by Alpine Publications.

The other reference I turn to constantly is "The Total Dog Book", by Louis L. Vine, DVM. I am naturally a bit suspicious of anything which claims to be the total whatever, but this little paperback pretty much lives up to its name. (Mind you, it does contain 434 pages packed with information!) The index is very comprehensive, which is a great help in finding, for some examples taken at random, the entry on jealousy in dogs, or canine hepatitis, or laboured breathing, or rolling in manure (I must read that section to Pony....) or whatever else you need to look up in a hurry. I

don't know if this is still in print: it was published by Warner Books in 1971 and reprinted in 1977 in an updated version. It is well worth hunting for in used book stores.

It's mid-June, and we have just endured the first heat wave of the summer. Mad dogs, Englishmen, birdwatchers **and** gardeners are all among the foolish who go out in the midday sun: while the dogs lolled in the shade of the butternut tree we were frantically planting melons in the blazing sun. At the other end of the garden, the weeds are gleefully strangling our asparagus. At least Emily's newborn puppies are in no danger of getting chilled! And it's nice to have the squeak and snuffle of little puppies in the kitchen again.....

SPECIALTY WEEKEND 1994

This will be the first time that the Canadian Cardigan Corgi Club can legitimately call it a specialty "weekend", but that's what it's going to be. Three days of activities to keep Cardigans and their owners busy!

A few details remain to be worked out, but here is the way things are shaping up so far. Specialty weekend is October 8, 9, and 10, which is the Canadian Thanksgiving weekend, in Newmarket, Ontario. The venue for most events is the Newmarket Civic Complex, and the official hotel is the Newmarket Comfort Inn.

Saturday, Chris Edwards is organizing a herding instinct test, to be held in Tottenham, near Newmarket. Entry is limited to 24 dogs, **with preference given to Cardigans**. The Border Collie people are anxious to take part, so if you want to try your Cardi couch potato's instincts on sheep (and I believe there will be ducks for those who want to start small), get your premium list from Chris as soon as possible.

Sunday we move to the Civic Complex. The morning will be devoted to Canine Good Citizenship testing, organized by Shelley Camm, with the Specialty proper in the afternoon. Subject to CKC confirmation, our judges will be Mrs. Jean Clifford for sweepstakes and Mrs. Alice Davis for regular classes. Jean hardly needs an introduction to Canadian Cardi people: she was one of the founding members of the club, and judged at one of our sanction matches several years ago. Alice Davis has also earned a place in Cardigan history, having given the first and, to date, only Cardigan Best in Show in Canada to Can./Am. Ch. Finnshavn's Alexander Selkirk. No doubt about it, this is a very experienced and knowledgeable panel.

Sunday evening we will hold a dinner, with our judges, plus the annual general meeting.

Monday, we will hold **two** obedience trials. Our judges (also subject to CKC confirmation) will be Mrs. Barbara Scott and Mr. William (Bill) Yates; each will be judging all levels. These will be limited entry, all breed trials, so again, get your premium list early. Premium lists for both conformation and obedience are available from Shelley Camm.

And for those of you who asked, my mother **will** be making more of those lovely Corgi drawstring bags for conformation trophies!

Also, John Coleman is again organizing our annual raffle. Tickets are three for \$2.00. You should have received your tickets with this newsletter. Write your name and telephone number on the back of the tickets and mail them, along with the money, to John at 21 Colborne Street, Kingston, Ontario, K7K 1C5. Additional tickets will be available at the Specialty, and we will hold the draw on Sunday evening at the judges' dinner. You don't need to be present to win: if your ticket is drawn we will pick out something nice and mail it to you. We need items to be raffled, too; they need not be Cardigan-related, we aren't fussy! Raffle items can also be sent to John at the above

address. As this is the club's primary fund raising event, we hope you will support the raffle with your usual Cardi enthusiasm! See you in Newmarket!

SPECIALTY 1995

What, already?! Yup, pardner, time we was a 'thinkin 'bout Calgary in '95. The Alberta Kennel Club would be very pleased to host our specialty next year, on the August holiday weekend. Next year that will be the 4th through 7th of August, I believe. This is a **big** show, with lots of specialties and boosters and special events; the Pembroke Welsh Corgi Association of Canada (Alberta Section) has scheduled their '95 specialty for that weekend as well. The following weekend there will be four shows in Edmonton. Add it all up and you have **nine** sets of points for Cardigans in 10 days! I've booked my holidays for August next year; now where can I buy a real cowboy hat? Ride 'em, Corgi! More details at this year's AGM.

PET'S QUALITY OF LIFE CENTRAL ISSUE IN EUTHANASIA

by Bernhard Pukay, DVM: and reprinted from the "Ottawa Citizen" with permission from Dr. Pukay.

Question: My wife and I are considering having our 14-year-old spaniel put to sleep and it is proving to be an extremely difficult decision for us to make. Our dear old dog is almost blind and suffers from arthritis. She also leaves "accidents" in the house from time to time and sleeps all day long.

We don't want her to suffer, but she does seem comfortable enough. How can we tell if she is suffering and that it is time to have her put down?

Answer: The decision to end a pet's life is never easy. No pet owner likes to make that decision, but many

will unfortunately face just such a moment at some time in their lives.

What makes euthanasia such a difficult alternative is the fact that there isn't always enough knowledge or understanding on the part of the owner to make an informed decision. Above all else, both owner and veterinarian want to make sure the pet is given a fair chance to recover and live as long as possible.

To make that all-important decision, some questions need to be answered by both veterinarian and owner.

.Is your pet free from pain, distress, or serious discomfort which cannot be effectively controlled?

.Is your pet able to walk and balance reasonably well?

.Can it eat and drink enough for normal maintenance without difficulty and without vomiting and/or diarrhea?

.Is it free from tumors which cause pain or serious discomfort and are judged inoperable?

.Is your pet able to breathe without difficulty?

.Can the animal urinate and defecate reasonably frequently without serious difficulty or incontinence?

.Can you as an owner cope physically and emotionally with any nursing care which may be required?

If the answer to any of these questions is negative, and treatment is likely to be unrewarding, there are probably grounds for euthanasia.

Other questions that must be given serious consideration are: Can I financially afford treatment and/or care? What is my pet's "quality of life"? And, extremely important: Is my pet's sense of dignity still intact, or is there a loss of dignity?

In the final analysis, euthanasia is performed to save the pet from unnecessary pain, as well as from the indignity and distress of a prolonged terminal illness. A pet's life should not be prolonged simply because an owner cannot bear to part with a pet.

Discuss your dog's situation with your veterinarian. He or she knows your pet and its

medical record, and will be better able to advise you whether your dog is suffering and whether euthanasia is indicated for her.

"DOGZILLA"

I tore open the Christmas wrapping, and there it was: a slim little book with a Cardigan Corgi on the cover, a Cardigan stalking by night through a crumbling city, framed by lightning bolts, wearing a red spiked leather collar with all the panache of a punk rocker, and looking remarkably like my foundation bitch, Joker (aka Finnshavn's Bawnyi Midnite Toker). This is "Dogzilla", terror of Mousopolis. Zounds!: a horror story featuring a Cardi as the Monster!

"Dogzilla" was produced by Dave Pilkey, in the unusual technique of photographing his animal actors and then applying acrylic paint to the resulting photo collages. Mr. Pilkey carefully points out that none of the animals were harmed during the making of the book. The book also comes with an EG rating: "Extremely Goofy; may be too goofy for grownups". (What grownups? Cardigans keep us young and silly!)

The star of the book, though her mouse victims might question my terminology, is played by Leia (owned by the author) in her acting and literary debut. Her portrayal of Dogzilla, a slaving monster who destroys the peaceful and law-abiding city of Mousopolis, is obviously either acting worthy of an Oscar, or else a typically Cardigan idea of fun. In particular, check out the subtleties of her performance in the scene where she invites herself to the annual Mousopolis Barbeque Cook Off!

The puppies who figure prominently in the stirring climax are owned and bred by Kennebec Cardigan Welsh Corgis.

My copy was a gift, but I am told that it is priced in the \$10 range. It's a hoot, and a wonderful gift for your favourite Cardi fanatic.

CARDIGAN WELSH CORGI CLUB OF AMERICA - SPECIALITY SHOW

The C.W.C.C.A. Speciality Show was held May 26-29, 1994 at White Bear Lake, Minnesota. There were 298 dogs entered in the show with a total entry of 554, including 259 in Breed, 142 in Sweepstakes Classes, 6 in Junior Showmanship, 79 in 2 Obedience Trials, 26 in the Parade of title Holders and 42 in the Megan Fun Match. On Thursday, May 26 Veteran's Sweepstakes, Parade of Title Holders, Puppy Sweepstakes and Obedience Trial #1 was held. Puppy Sweepstakes was judged by Marieann Gladstone. The puppy judged best in sweepstakes was **PECAN VALLEY BLU SHAMOO** who is owned by Betty Ann Seely. The best of opposite sex was **SANDWYNNE'S JUST A BLACKBIRD** owned by Sandra S. Hutchins. Congratulations to everyone who placed in their group and to the eventual winners.

On Friday, May 27th Regular Class Dogs and Bitches were judged along with the Junior Showmanship Competition and Obedience Trial #2. The class dogs and bitches were judged by Janet Robinson. Winner's Dog was **ZIRCON'S CASCADE AVALANCHE** owned by Eric and Patti Stigleman and Reserve Winner's Dog was **CHANDLER'S PLUPERFECT PAYOLA** owned by P.S. Blann and C.B. Bossi. Winner's Bitch was won by **KOLLAGES SUMMER BREEZE** owned by Kathleen Harper and Cindy Jo Brown and Reserve Winner's Bitch was won by **PHI-VESTAVIA GOOD GRACIOUS** owned by P. Ormos and C. Ochs-Cline. The Junior Showmanship competition was won by Tammy Petersen and her dog **BELUKHA AUGUST'S PREDICTION**. In the Obedience Ring the judges were Ann Hoversen and

Richard Muhlenhaupt. High in Trial both days was Kerry Tesch with his wonderful dog **ARAMORA COEDWIG WHATA GADGET**. It is a pleasure to watch this corgi work in the ring.

Saturday, May 28th Veterans, Best of Breed Competition, Stud Dogs, Brood Bitches and Brace judging took place. Again the judge was Janet Robinson. Veteran Dog class was won by **CH KENNEBEC ICE ANCHOR** owned by C. Whan and J. J. Kimes and Veteran Bitch class was won by **CH DAVENITCH SHILOH LUCA** owned by C. K. Whan. The Best of Breed competition was won by **CH. KINGSBURY'S CARBON COPY** owned by Jacque Schatz. Best of Opposite Sex was **CH TWINROC MAX-IN-A-MILLION** owned by Paul and Doris Slaboda and Best of Winners was **KOLLAGE'S SUMMER BREEZE**. Best Stud Dog was **CH ZIRCON'S BOBBY SOCKS** owned by Rochelle and Edwidge Stuve and Best Brood Bitch was **CH TEMPEST'S CLASSY CHASSIS** owned by K.M. Harper and C.J. Brown.

Saturday and Sunday (May 28-29) was given over to the Megan Fun Match and HT and PT Herding Tests which took place at Diamondair Farm, Hager City, Wisconsin.

All in all it was a very enjoyable experience. There were lots a new people to meet and it certainly is a thrill to see 298 cardigans in one place. Thanks go to the executive of the C.W.C.C.A. for the excellent manner in which this speciality was presented.

BOOSTER HELD IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE ST. FRANCIS KENNEL AND OBEDIENCE CLUB.

The booster was held in Granby, Quebec on Saturday, June 11, 1994. The judge was J. Kay of West Palm

Beach, Florida. Best in Breed was **CAN/AM CH. PHI-VESTAVIA PIRATE'S PATCH** owned by Barb Hoffman (he also took a Group 4th in the Group Judging). Best of Winner's was won by **ABERWYVERN JOHN'S TWEED JACKET** owned by Marilyn Boissoneault and Best of Opposite Sex and Best Puppy was won by **AELWYD GLENMORANGIE** owned by Karen Harbert. We would like to thank Ruth Lister for her efforts in putting on this booster. We would also like to thank the St. Francis Kennel and Obedience Club for their hospitality.

PUPPIES FOR SALE

Marilyn and Jim Boissoneault have a litter born on June 12, 1994. There are 6 males and 1 female. **Ch. Cedarstone's Rolls Royce X Aberwyvern Judge Emily Murphy.**

Charlie MacInnes has 4 female puppies (black and white and tri-color) who are 8 weeks old. **Ch. Markwell's Peer Gynt X Ch. Life on the Centre.**

Tamara Pitre, Box 1464, Stettler, AB T0C 2L0 - Telephone (403) 742-2513 has sent the following letter:

The first dog I have for sale is: **Ch. a Sierra Sky (female) Am/Can Ch. Finnshavn's Alexander Selkirk X Contee's a tine T.** Sierra is a tri-colour who finished easily with BOB at 6 months over adults and finished with a Group 4th. She is a very sweet dog and loves children but is aggressive with other corgis (the reason for selling).

The second dog is: **Ch. Crosswinds Winning Colors (male) Brooktree Lad of Sniffntell X Aelwyd Finnshavn Keridwen.** "Travis" is a red brindle who

also finished easily but does not enjoy the ring. He is not used to children.

I will consider co-ownerships on both these dogs. My co-breeder of a litter has a couple for sale. I have 2 out of this litter that I am starting to show and I am most happy with this litter. Sire is Ch. Crosswind's Prince of Thieves - Dam - Aelwyd Finnshavn Keridwen. Still for sale out of this litter is 1 pet female, 9 months old black and white with brindle points and 1 pet male, 9 months old - tri-color mismark.

If you know of anyone looking for any of the above please have them contact me.

Tamara Pitre

If you are interested in any of the above dogs for sale please contact the breeders directly.

LETTERS

Dear fellow CCCC members:

In the recent newsletter I saw an announcement that Charlie was retiring as Newsletter editor. Let me add my accolades to others.

I have known Charlie since my beginning in Cardigans. Despite the fact that I purchased my foundation stock elsewhere, Charlie was always tremendously helpful. We regularly communicated to find shows where we could meet for competition. I would send dogs to the Toronto area with handlers, seeking those elusive points. Charlie was unfailingly helpful and polite. win or lose, Charlie was, and is, a gentleman.

When I needed help with a litter, Charlie gave it. AmCanCh Phi's Flower Power was actually born and

raised at Finnshavn. It was Charlie who helped arrange for the breeding to Pete which produced AmCanCh Phi's Amazing Grace ap Ronel - one of the all time top producing bitches in Cardigan history. It was Charlie who helped me to pick her out at 6 weeks to bring home.

Over the years, Charlies has picked up, delivered, shipped, boarded and handled many of my dogs -- all without asking for a penny! Hats off! We have cooperated and worked together on various committees for both the U.S. and Canadian national clubs. His knowledge and expertise were always just a phone call away.

Most of all I have enjoyed his sense of humor and his commitment to Cardigans. While we have gone different ways with our bloodlines, and appreciate different nuances in interpreting the Standard, there has never been any sense of rancor or animosity. To Charlie, a good Cardigan is a good dog, no matter where it comes from. Charlies's backing of Selkirk and his continuous showing of Cardigans all over Canada over the past nearly 30 years have helped this breed immeasurably. I know how difficult and expensive it is to campaign a rare breed. It is thanks to people like Charlie who did it during the early years that our current winnings are possible.

As Charlie retires as Newsletter editor of the club which he founded, I can only hope it will give him more time to give to showing Cardigans. Eventually I hope that we will all benefit from his knowledge and years of experience as he turns to judging, also.

Yours,

Patrick Ormos
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Valparaiso, IN 46383, U.S.A.

EDITOR'S NOTES: This is my first Newsletter and I hope you will bear with me while I try to come up to Charlie's standards. I would be very interested to hear from anyone who wishes to contribute. You don't have to "show" your dog to participate in the Newsletter. I, for one, enjoy reading anecdotes and funny stories about other people's cardigans. It makes me realize that I am not the only person who has dogs that are a bit daft. You can send your contribution to me in any form and I will incorporate it into the Newsletter format.

I am attaching a copy of the 1993-94 Canadian Cardigan Corgi Club Income Statement and the balance sheet for the 1993 National Specialities of Conformation - Cornwall - and Obedience - Jackson's Point as forwarded to me by Chris Edwards. Chris also told me that the finances are in bad shape partly due to the fact that a lot of membership dues are still outstanding. Please try to get your dues in to Chris **as soon as possible.**

Also attached is an entry form for the CCCC 1994 Herding Instinct Test to be held Saturday, October 8, 1994. It is a limited entry (24) and as an all breed offering we need Cardigan Corgis to enter early if we are to have representation for the breed. All the information is on the entry form.

Thanks again for your patience and I appreciate any suggestions or criticisms you might have.

Bette Wilkinson
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CANADIAN CARDIGAN CORGI CLUB

INCOME STATEMENT FOR 1993-1994 JUNE/JULY

CURRENT ACC. # 514997

BALANCE FORWARD		416.48
MEMBERSHIPS '94 = 36. (Single 19 Family 6)		280.00
DONATIONS TO TROPHY FUND '94		119.52
MEMBERSHIPS '93 LATE PAYMENTS S34 F17		666.00
DONATIONS TROPHY FUND '93		135.00
TRANSFER FROM SAVINGS ACC.		600.00
REBATE FROM CORNWALL K.C.		621.41
PROCEEDS OF RAFFLE '93		161.21
REPAYMENT OF SWEEPS not awarded		7.97
INTEREST EARNED		2.88
ENTRIES OBEDIENCE TRIAL '93 collected by June 94		780.00
PREPAID CATALOGUE OBEDIENCE '93		2.00
SALE CLUB BADGES		12.00

CH# 093 EXPENSES NATIONAL '93 MB	304.00	
JUDGES EXP TROPHY EXP. CHQ# 102 MB	495.26	
DEPOSIT ON HALL:OBEDIENCE #101 SC	1,100.00	
SECRETARIAL SERVICES # 104	208.16	
RIBBONS & ROSETTES # 103	160.14	
CKC RECORDING FEES PAID BY SC FROM REFUND CHQ not recorded in banking (*62.59 CKC 150.00 REFUND)		
COST INCURRED IN RECOVERING LOST OBEDIENCE CHQS CE. #105	100.00	
BANK CHARGES	4.00	
BULLETIN SPRING '94 BW # 108	65.38	
BANK RETURNED CHQ(DN.)	15.00	
OFFICE EQUIPMENT AND STATIONERY ETC.	81.17	
CKC RECOGNITION FEES '94 MB	37.45	

	\$2,570.56	3,804.47
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BALANCE OF CURRENT A/C \$1,233.91

SAVINGS ACCOUNT # 219408		
BALANCE FORWARD JULY 1.		2,723.37
TRANSFER TO CURRENT ACC	600.00	
INTEREST EARNED		9.36

BALANCE OF SAVINGS ACCOUNT	600.00	2,732.73
	<u>\$2,132.73</u>	

NATIONAL SPECIALTY '93

CORNWALL BALANCE SHEET

JUDGES EXPENSES ETC#093	304.00	
TROPHIES & SWEEPS ETC. #102	495.26	
money from sweeps returned		7.97
REBATE FROM CORNWALL K.C.		621.41
PROCEEDS OF RAFFLE '93		161.21
DONATIONS TO TROPHY FUND '93		135.00

BALANCE AFTER EXPENSES

799.26 925.59

CREDIT \$ 126.33

OBEDIENCE TRIAL'93

JACKSON POINT ONT. BALANCE SHEET

DEPOSIT FOR HALL # 101	1,100.00	
SHOW SERVICES FEES # 104 APR 94.	208.16	
RIBBONS & ROSETTES #103 APR'94	160.14	
C.K.C. REMITTANCE RE ENTRIES (paid by SC from refund)*	62.59	
REFUND OF HALL RENTAL (rec by SC) *		150.00
ENTRIES RECOVERED FOR OBEDIENCE TRIAL (June '94 last entry red.)		780.00
PREPAID CATALOGUES FOR TRIAL		2.00
COST OF RECOVERING LOST ENTRIES mailing costs, phone calls & stationery etc #105	100.00	

BALANCE AFTER EXPENSES

1,630.89 932.00

\$698.89 LOSS

* Item not processed through club books
but receipt on file for accounting.





HERDING INSTINCT TEST
OCTOBER 9th 1994

OFFICIAL ENTRY FOR HERDING TEST

CANADIAN CARDIGAN CORGI CLUB
1994 HERDING INSTINCT TEST
OCTOBER 9th 1994 SATURDAY
OSYTH FARM RR#2 TOTTENHAM ONTARIO L0G 1W0

JUDGE MR. JAMES (JIM) CLARK

AT OSYTH FARM RR#2 TOTTENHAM ONTARIO
(north west Toronto)

ENTRIES \$30.00 per dog
LIMITED ENTRY (24)

CLOSING DATE SEPTEMBER 19, 1994 OR WHEN
LIMIT IS REACHED IF SOONER.

MAIL ENTRIES TO CANADIAN CARDIGAN CORGI CLUB
TRIAL SECRETARY

CHRIS EDWARDS
21 PADDINGTON AVE.
LONDON ONTARIO
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(519) 434 5480



I SUBMIT \$_____ for entry fees

NAME OF DOG _____ CALL NAME _____

CKC REGISTERED YES/ NO
AKC REGISTERED YES/ NO
ERN REGISTERED YES/ NO

CIRCLE ONE OF THE ABOVE

BREED _____ DATE OF BIRTH _____ MALE _____ FEMALE _____

NAME OF OWNER _____
ADDRESS _____

NAME OF HANDLER IN TEST _____

SIGNATURE OF OWNER _____

IS NAME LISTED ABOVE TO BE USED ON PASS CERTIFICATE?
IF NOT SPECIFY NAME OF OWNER FOR CERTIFICATE. _____