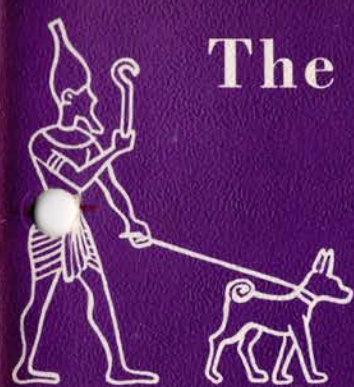




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THE MAILBOX

From Peggie C. Peek
512 Northeast Faver, England, Arkansas 72046

We have a sad announcement to make, an obituary, and I feel so inadequate to write it. Dorothy Wooten died in January following open heart surgery, and I just don't know what we will do without her.

As you probably know, she and her first Basenji, CH. WOOTEN'S BENJAMIN Q were the start of Basenjis in Arkansas. "BENJI" was the sire of the Griggs' four champion litter, CH. SILVER KNIGHT was one of them.

Dorothy got our Arkansas Basenji Club started some years ago, and has been its mainstay ever since. She or her husband, Bob, was president until somehow I got elected last year, and at the time of her death, Dorothy was our secretary-treasurer.

Dorothy was so much help to so many of us just getting started in Basenjis, and a dear friend as well. She is survived by her husband, Bob; a son, Jim and daughter-in-law, Sharon, and two grandchildren.

Our club will be much the poorer without her guiding hand, and her courage and tenacity through her illness, was an inspiration to all of us. . . . Dorothy had so many friends from all over, and I suppose some still do not know of her death. . .

From Kitty Braun
Lost Lake, Paradise, Michigan 49768

IN LOVING MEMORY



MRS. DOROTHY ELAINE WOOTEN

NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS, January 13, 1970

Mrs. Dorothy Wooten, 44, of 415 West 35th Street, wife of Bob Wooten, died January 13. A native of Little Rock, she was past president of the Arkansas Basenji Club and owner of the state's first Basenjis, a rare African breed. She was a member of the Crystal Valley Baptist Church. Other survivors include her mother, Mrs. Gladys Gresham, and stepfather, Lonnie Gresham of North Little Rock; her father, L. W. Biggs, and stepmother, Mrs. Roxie Biggs of Little Rock; a son, James L. Webb, Jr., of Mayflower (Faulkner County), a sister, Mrs. Martha Ridgeway of North Little Rock and two grandchildren. Funeral was January 15 at Drummond Funeral Home Chapel by the Rev. Jack Parchman and the Rev. Theo Cook. Burial was at Rest Hills Cemetery by McNutt Funeral Home of Conway.

The following is an excerpt from Betty Nicolson's (BAMBUTI BASENJIS, London) recent letter:

"Poor old FLEET wasn't too well - he had a stroke in the summer and although he recovered perfectly from that he was getting so old and frail and literally faded away - in fact, he died a few days before his 15th birthday at the beginning of December, so he had a long, happy and successful life and died by his own fireside."

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We enjoyed visiting with you, and seeing so many of the Florida Basenji folks at the dinner, meeting, and the shows. You may be seeing more of us in a year or so - we are now Florida property owners. Bought a 4 1/2 acre place in the Lake Wales area with a furnished home (which we plan to rent for the time being) and some outbuildings which can be converted into kennels. . . .

From N. Lee Newman
7 Collier Lane, Alexandria, Virginia 22312

Being completely new to Basenji business (having just purchased my first Basenji and read my first issue of "The Basenji,") I feel rather strange about writing. In January's "Mailbox," I read with interest a letter by F. B. Johnson, in which he states he has evidence that a Basenji is physiologically unable to bark. I know practically nothing about Basenjis, having always had other breeds of dogs around, but my tri-color bitch. . . at 3 months of age, barks more than she yodels. As an animal scientist in research, I have had experience with several hundred dogs, and a more definite bark than my tri when she wants attention can hardly be found.

Physiological differences can and do exist between breeds, but I do not believe non-barking can be classified in this manner. Vocalization is an anatomical characteristic, rather than physiological (i.e. having to do with processes or functions of the body, such as organ function and process). Structural differences in the larynx and vocal cords could (and would) cause differences in vocal patterns. But then what do I do about my barking "African Barkless?"

I would appreciate it if anyone could clear up this "barkless" controversy for me, and if Mr. Johnson has scientific proof of a physiological basis for barklessness, I shall gracefully bow out. (As an ignoramus about Basenjis) my tri and I will go join the Rat Terrier Club and bark to our hearts' content!

From Kay Stewart (nee Skevington)
1956 Comm. Gp (OLC), APO San Francisco 96343

I'm going to Japan and will have to leave my family and dogs behind - but all is not lost, I'm joining my husband and looking forward to a different and new life. If anyone knows of any owners or breeders in Japan, please send me their names and addresses. Also, please keep me up on current news and events in the Basenji world.

I'm going to all the shows there that I possibly can. Will let you know what is going on, if I can. I'll also try to keep you posted on Japan's Basenji World! . . .

As a point of interest, how many of you whelp a litter in the morning and get married in the afternoon?

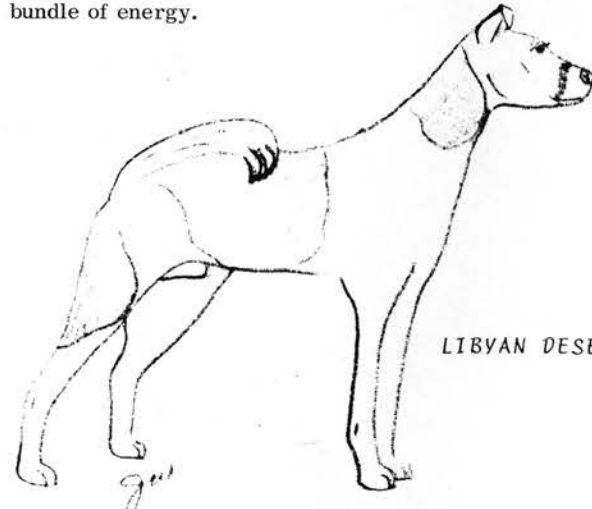
Please send letters to: A1C Michael Stewart, with the above address. Thank you!

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THE LIBYAN DESERT DOG

by Joyce Mullis
new address

The Libyan Desert Dog is friendly, but aloof. A majestic dog of well-balanced proportions. Height around 25 inches at the shoulder. Weight is around 40 to 50 pounds of hard muscle. Nice feet and clean, long legs. Color is white with dark patches of brown, gray or black or combinations of these. Swift of foot and happy-go-lucky, he is a boundless bundle of energy.



LIBYAN DESERT DOG

Note the ring around the muzzle. Short hair and prick ears, with no noticeable tuck-up. Level topline and good shoulders.

I am indebted to Colonel and Mrs. Pierre Tisdale for their information, gained by personal contact, on the Libyan Desert Dog. Colonel Tisdale was for some time the commander of the El Uotia desert shooting range. We have tried every angle possible to gain photographs of the dogs in their native surroundings of El Uotia. Since the Libyan Coup, this range has been shut down and the Libyans don't like cameras these days, so the task has been made impossible.

Q. "Are the dogs on the range anything like my dog?"

A. "No, they are bigger. 'Superman,' the boss, is very big."

Q. "I have heard that these dogs are quite mean tempered. Is this true?"

A. "Not actually. 'Superman,' while being the kingpin is quite gentle with all people. However, he will kill any dog that comes on the range that isn't a member of his pack."

Q. "I am told that these dogs like to eat insects, and in particular, the large camel spiders which I am told can fill a wash tub. Is this true?"

A. "I have never personally seen them bring in a spider, but I have seen them kill scorpions. Deadly scorpions. They seem to get great enjoyment in flirting with these insects. When they tire of the sport they kill the insect with a quick snap."

Q. "What are the puppies like, especially the newborn?"

A. "We were getting so many dogs in El Uotia for awhile that we had to set a limit of eleven. However, they go to homes rather quickly. The litters average about five or six. The dark puppies don't survive. We have speculated that this is due to some bad gene. You see, all of the El Uotia dogs are related."

Q. "I am interested in the odd shading around the muzzle, what can you tell me about this?"

A. "All of the surviving pups seem to carry that ring. I suppose it shows some link with the dark pups that die."

Q. "Do the females free whelp?" (continued on page 20)

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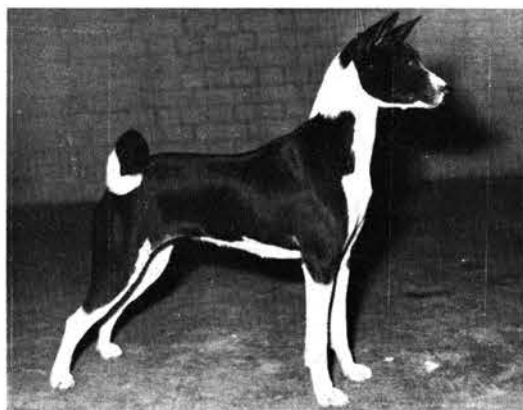
I have received several letters from the Midwest - one from Mr. Ring saying that his daughter Cindy placed first in Novice at the Annapolis, Maryland show on August 17. She was showing her bitch, COPTOKIN THE BLACK KON, and this was her fourth time in the ring! Mr. Ring also reported that his son Billy took fourth place in Novice A at the Bethel, Connecticut show on August 23, and this was his first time in the ring. The second time Billy was able to show in Novice A, he took first place at the Steel City Kennel Club show held in Gary, Indiana, in September. Billy is ten years old and is really starting his career in junior handling in a big way, and with his sister who is eleven, is looking forward to showing in several more shows in the near future, so perhaps I will be hearing from them again.

I have also received a nice letter from Terri Boomer from Canada. UREDE OF TERRARUST now has five points towards her Canadian championship, and ISIS OF TERRARUST is keeping her company by gaining eight points towards hers. ISIS also placed first in puppy group in August, and then in North Battleford, Terri received the Best All-round Junior Handler. She received a similar award in Saskatoon by beating the 16 to 20 year old class. Terri is really enjoying Junior Showmanship and has added five new trophies to her trophy shelf. REBEL, her male Basenji, is once again in the obedience ring competing in the open class. Besides Basenjis, Terri is showing an English Springer Spaniel and is doing well with him, capturing a group fourth, as well as several Bests of Breed.

Now back to the States and I would like to introduce a

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EVALUATING YOUR PUPPIES

by Alice Bair

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Observations useful in evaluating the relative merits of pups in a litter can be made by the breeder beginning at a very young age. Markings and coat length are apparent at birth. In the red and whites, a high concentration of black hairs in the coat at birth tends to correlate with a rich, red coat later on. (Retention of black hairs in the coat of a mature red is a severe fault.) Bites can be assessed when the milk teeth first come in at about three weeks of age. The good bites will stay that way, and the slightly dubious bites can be watched for several more weeks. The first noses to become completely black generally stay the blackest, and the first ears to come up are the smallest, finest ones. Ears are never a real worry, but noses sometimes are. In the early tri-colors, noses didn't always fill in completely, and this problem recurred with the early recessive black and whites.

Socialization of the puppy begins at 21 days, so this is a good age to begin daily posing of the pups. Place the pup on a terry cloth or similar surface which affords him good purchase, give him a moment or two to explore, and then encourage him to stand. Steady him with a hand at each end, your thumbs extended toward each other along his near side, your forefingers likewise along his far side, and your remaining fingers underneath supporting him. At this age he can't yet stand quite fully erect by himself, but by lifting him into a full standing position you can obtain an accurate impression of his body proportions as they will be at maturity. A short-legged dog will stay short-legged. The pup with the shallowest chest is likely to retain that dubious distinction. Now lift the pup so that his feet are suspended just above the surface. His forelegs

should drop straight down. If he prefers to extend them forward at an angle of about 45°, his shoulder construction is faulty. His hind legs should extend behind him somewhat, and the angulation should be similar to that of an adult dog in show pose. Some pups will thrust their hind legs straight down. In that case, without changing the position of your hands, grasp the knee of the hind leg that is toward you between your thumb and forefinger and draw it back. Do you feel a strong resistance? If so, beware, for this is the dog that will bounce along with small, mincing steps at maturity and never have any drive behind. Before putting the pup down, lift your hands alternately to give him a rocking-horse motion and watch what happens. Does the pup remain "of a piece?" This little exercise will reveal the slack back every time. Some pups do improve with age in this respect, but many retain that dippy topline and a good, solid back is always preferred.

Comparing the length and thickness of the puppies' forelegs will tell a good deal about their eventual size and refinement. Prominence of the bottom edge of the skull between the eyes and ears along the side of the head indicates that the pup will have a broad, cheeky head. To evaluate feet in a young puppy, let him lie on his stomach on your lap with his elbow tucked underneath him. Place your forefinger under his foreleg with the inside of your knuckle underneath his elbow and your fingertip underneath his footpad. Lift his paw from a position beside his nose to a position beside his ear, and watch for his toes to clench on your finger. If they never do, he will never have good feet.

Roll the pup on his back and check for hernias. Umbilical hernias sometimes develop when the pups get on their feet and begin running and playing. It is unfortunate that the umbilical hernias are as common as they are in Basenjis, but they seldom cause distress. The same cannot be said of the inguinal and scrotal hernias, and their presence should bar a dog from breeding.

Pups which look promising and are to be retained or sold for show and breeding should have their eyes checked for persistent pupillary membranes. This costs \$1 per dog and is a sensible step to take before investing hundreds of dollars in showing. Any pup whose gum color looks the least bit dubious should have a simple blood slide run and a red cell count made. If he proves to be anemic, numerous universities will be interested in acquiring him. Dogs which are going to be bred should have the complete pyruvate kinase assay done on their blood. This costs \$20, and scheduling is a little tight at present, but the field is opening up fast. Puppies from tested clears are automatically clear (at least to present knowledge) and do not need to be tested. Other puppies can be tested as early as nine weeks of age.

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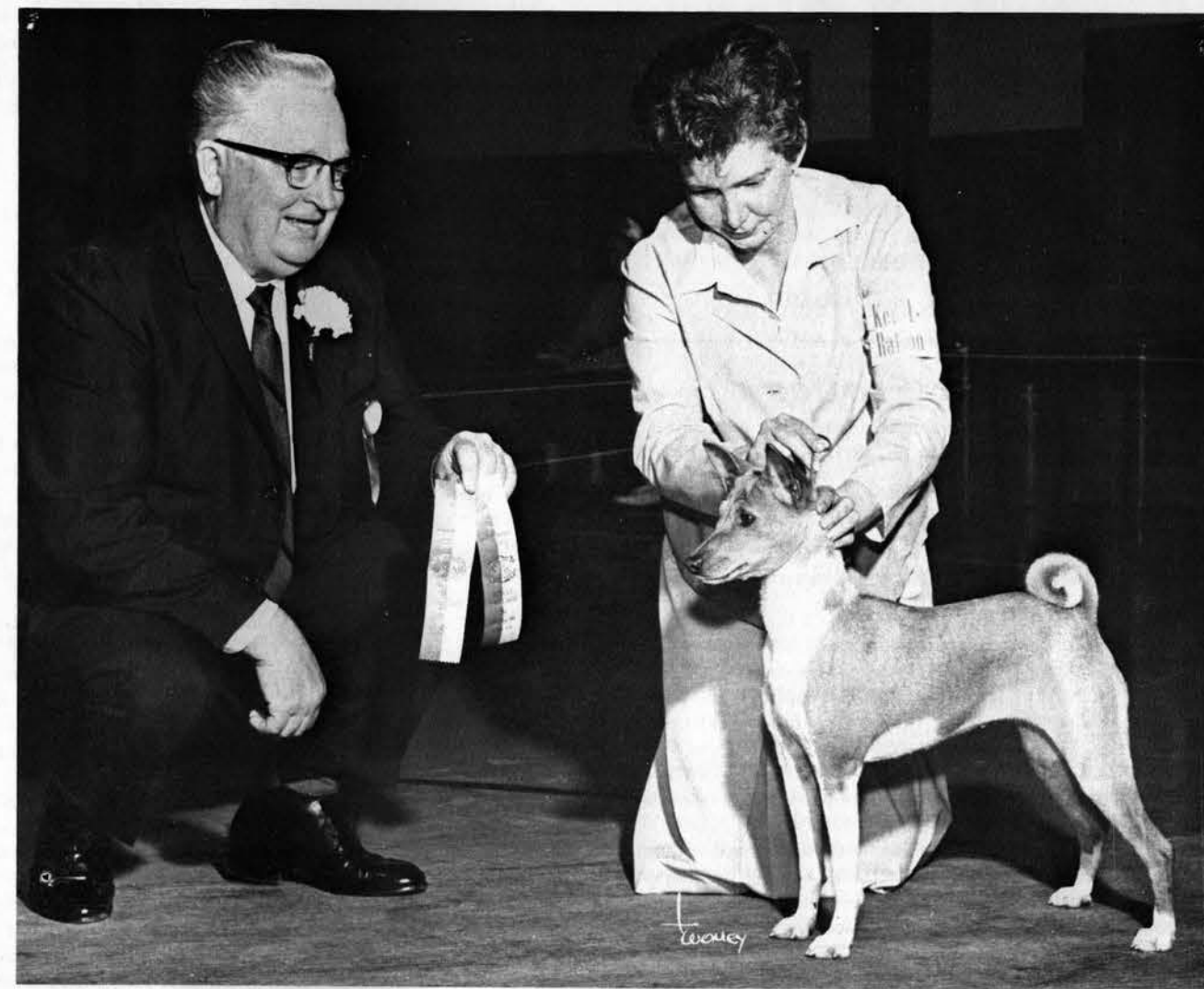
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by Ruth Brown

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The call of the dog show is much stronger than common sense. It had been snowing off and on all week, and it was starting to pile up. Then on Saturday morning it started snowing in earnest. It snowed all day and all night, and on Sunday morning it was a real blizzard. The street in front of our house was in very bad shape. After discussing all the reasons why we shouldn't go to the show, we called the state police to find out what the condition of the expressways were around Chicago and they told us they were in good shape. Believe it or not, after driving just ten miles, the sun was shining and the road was dry and clear, and the drive to Wheaton, Illinois, was very pleasant. We were glad we went as our newest girl, CINDY'S SHADY LADY went all the way from the open class to Best of Breed over two specials.

It was nice to see Tom Diener walking around without his crutches. Shortly after Christmas, I was talking to Tom on the phone and he told me he had a recurrence of an old back injury which kept him in bed most of December and then on

crutches. Tom was walking on his own at Wheaton, but he said he wasn't bending over. We hope he will be back in the show ring soon.

The next Sunday, we journeyed to Milwaukee, in a heavy fog. This was a benched show which I enjoy because you have time to meet and visit with people. We met Lee and Hilda Nelson who came to the Midwest from Wilmington, Delaware. They brought with them CH. TANDA'S APOHENE OF KENARA. We want to welcome the Nelsons and hope to see them at many more shows in the future.

Best of Breed at this show went to CH. LULAROY'S RUBI OF BLAZE.

Gloria Schack is very enthused about the Koehler method of obedience training that she and CLARA OF SHAR are taking and she was explaining the technique to everyone. Gloria said, "It has helped CLARA so much, and when I like something, I want to tell everyone about it."

As I was sitting at ringside, watching the different breeds being judged, I noticed quite a few of the women exhibitors were wearing nice pant suits. I thought they looked neat and feminine and said as much to the lady sitting next to me who happened to be Mrs. Waskow, the judge's wife. She agreed with me. The ladies showing their dogs could bend and stoop without having to worry about what is showing that shouldn't be. My husband doesn't agree with me, he thinks a woman looks much nicer in a dress. A few years ago this was so, but now with the styles changing and with all the beautiful slack sets being made, I think they are just the thing for the show ring. How about it, ladies? What are your thoughts on the subject?

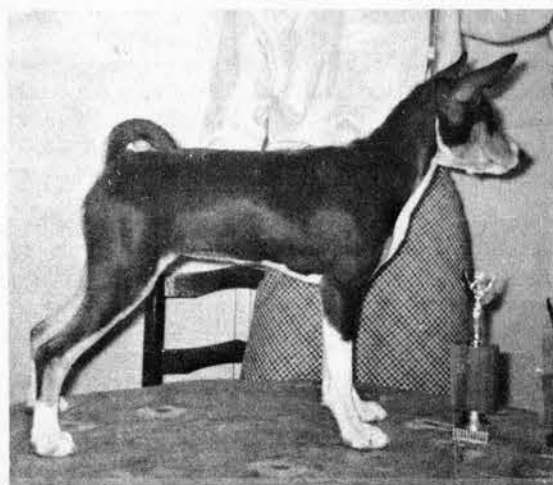
The Greater Chicagoland Basenji Club held its January meeting at the home of Walter and Joan Dzekute. The election of officers was the business of the evening and the following were elected for 1970:

Clyde Sweet, President; Don Hauerrberg, Vice-president; Ken Brooks, Corresponding Secretary; Bill Ring, Treasurer.

Board Members: Bill Freeman, 1 year; Russell Gruenert, 2 years; Joan Dzekute, 3 years.

Committee Chairmen: John Loukota, Show Chairman; Ann Diener, Stewardship Chairman; Joyce Boehm, Advertising Chairman; Susan Hoyne, Trophy Chairman.

I hope you all got your entries in on time for the International Dog Show in Chicago for April 4 and 5. Remember coffee and doughnuts are being served to all Basenji people on Saturday morning of the show.



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Our next litter that should contain pure blacks is due February 25, sired by DATAR, out of CH. KHAJAH'S GAY FIRENZA.

Reserve your puppies now.

VETERINARY JOURNAL

by Dr. William Bone

10700 Seminole Boulevard, Largo, Florida 33540

HAVING PUPPIES CAN BE FUN

You have decided to let your dog have puppies. This can be a gratifying and enlightening experience, especially for children, if you are properly prepared for the event. By knowing what is normal and should be expected and also some of the problems that may arise, it will be much easier to avoid trouble.

The female dog usually comes in heat about every six months. The first heat occurs at the time she reaches sexual maturity, around 7 to 12 months of age. It will vary with different breeds and individuals. The heat period generally lasts about three weeks. The most effective time for breeding is usually the 11th to the 13th day, though this too will vary. To prevent accidental mating the dog should be confined during the entire heat period, as it is possible for her to breed and conceive at almost any time during her heat period.

For dogs that are not intended to be bred, spaying, an operation for removal of the uterus and ovaries, may be performed. This not only prevents further reproduction, but eliminates the heat periods. This operation is a routine surgical procedure and the dog is back to normal in a few days. The spayed female is quieter and reserved and tends to gain weight unless given plenty of exercise. The operation is best performed when the dog is about 6 months old, though it can be done after the dog has been in heat and even after she has had one or more litters of pups.

FOR HEALTHY LITTERS

Although many bitches will deliver healthy litters when bred during her first heat, experienced breeders prefer to wait

until she is older and has definitely reached full physical maturity at the second or third heat.

The bitch should be in good flesh, but not fat, at the time of breeding. Proper nutrition before breeding, during gestation, and during nursing period are very important for good results. It is essential that the expectant mother be free from worms, fleas and ticks at whelping time.

The gestation period for dogs averages 63 days, but it may terminate as early as 59 days up to 66 days after mating without undue concern. Around the fourth week after breeding, food intake should gradually increase to allow for increased nutritional needs for the developing puppies. If the dam becomes extremely large during the last week to ten days, smaller amounts of food may be given two to three times a day to make her more comfortable. A vitamin-mineral supplement should be added to the food during this period to help in proper nutrition of the puppies. This should be continued during the nursing period to help in lactation. Regular exercise is important during the gestation period to keep the bitch in good physical condition.

PREPARE WHELPING QUARTERS

Whelping quarters should be prepared well ahead so the bitch will feel at home before the date of whelping. A large box or some area where the dog can be more or less to herself should be provided. Bedding should be clean, soft and absorbent. Flat or shredded newspapers, or old sheets or blankets are suitable for this purpose. The dam should be confined about a week before whelping to prevent her from running off and having the pups in some remote area. As the date approaches, the bitch will become increasingly restless, stays to herself more and begins to dig and scratch in the whelping box to make a bed. These are signs that the pups should arrive soon.

Whelping is a natural process. Nine out of ten dogs

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BASENJS OF THE PALO VERDES

(The kennel that "BINDY" built)

present

FIFER'S PIMA MAIDEN

(Polo Vah-Ki x Fifer's Bwa-Indy)



PIMA is a litter sister to PAGO (see below). A carbon copy of PAGO and sister to other winners. Also male puppies available from our "Flora" litter of the same breeding. PIMA has a face lick'n, tail wag'n temperament to go with her other "standard" attributes.

INQUIRIES ANSWERED SAME DAY

BRUCE and LUCILE FIFER, 3626 South 7th Avenue
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Thoughts Provokin'

by A. B. Reeder

ON BREEDERS

Now may be the time you are looking for a new puppy to show, or for breeding purposes, or for a pet, or for any other reason. How will you select the breeder from whom you purchase the new addition? Will it be based on volume of advertising? Show wins? Or what?

Volume of advertising by a particular breeder does mean something - namely that that breeder advertises, which may mean only that they have the money to advertise. It may seem strange, but the volume of advertising has nothing to do with the quality of the animals purveyed.

Show wins may - or may not mean anything. Was the dog shown everywhere under all judges, or was the dog shown only under certain judges, even if this meant travelling considerable distances when there were shows much nearer?

The Better Business Bureau has an interesting slogan which might be applied to your selection of a breeder: "Investigate before you invest." Does your prospective seller have a reputation for honesty? And remember that honesty and "loveability" are not necessarily the same thing. The seller may be quite blunt and outspoken and this has no bearing on honesty.

If the breeder exhibits, and most do, does the breeder show good dogs? Do they move well? Do they have good structure? And do they conform to the standard? And not necessarily because the breeder says they are perfect conformationwise. Perhaps some review of the standard of your breed would be appropriate prior to examining a future purchase, along with a review of the various dogs at some shows - comparing each individually with the standard and not necessarily with how they place. After all, with over 115 breeds recognized by the

A. K. C. how many is it possible for a judge to know really well? There are individual differences in gait, structure, etc., between the breeds and what is proper movement in one breed may be completely wrong in another breed.

If your potential seller has ever judged, what type has he selected? Is he consistent from class to class, and do you thereby gain an idea that you know what he is looking for, or is he inconsistent and erratic in his selections? Do his selections match what he (or she) breeds or are they a different type? How do you explain this? And above all, do his selections match closely with the ideal as stated in the standard for your breed? Some assistance may be needed in this case. If you ask anyone to help you, apply the same standards to your assistant as you would to the breeder. Wouldn't it be much nicer to have someone who is knowledgeable to help you than a neighbor who merely says, "That's a cute dog!"

Will your breeder honestly explain the various good and bad features of a particular dog you are interested in? Is the price reasonable considering all the variables such as quality, bloodlines, breeder honesty, breeder experience, etc. Be wary of the experience for there are a number of "two-year experts" about. These have quite often been in the breed only two years when they know everything about a breed. A dangerous age indeed! Yet, a number of breeders never get over the "two-year expert" phase even after 3, 5, 10 or 20 years in a breed. Delightful indeed is the breeder who continues to learn and who will admit to still learning!

Kennel names, in themselves, are a poor guide to selection of a breeder. Names do change and some have even been selected to give the appearance of antiquity - and antiquity equates with experience, doesn't it? Re-read the last few paragraphs if you believe it does.

The selection of a puppy from a breeder is important, and it is important to know, and to trust the breeder. The same selection criteria will also apply when you are seeking a stud dog for that simply marvelous bitch you bought some time ago. Do check on your possible sources, check the breeder's knowledge (difficult if you are a beginner, but get help), check the standard, and make yourself as knowledgeable as possible. A poor dog that is over-priced is no bargain. Think twice about a breeder who says they will help you finish the dog and tells you which judges to enter under. Take a long look at the dog offered as well as the breeder's exhibiting record. These might be the only judges that will put up this breeder's dogs. Again remember that you can't win them all.

CURRENT WINNER

FIFER'S
PAPAGO
MAIDEN

Winners bitch at Mesilla Valley Kennel Club show, under Judge T. Trudgian and Reserve Bitch, under Judge C. Kellogg at Tucson Kennel Club show. Owner/Breeder handled by Bruce Fifer, Basenjis of the Palo Verdes, Tucson, Arizona.

Land of Woz**Is proud to present our newest show girl -
CANDY'S SHADY LADY**

(Lepper's Kitabu of Long Lane ex
Henty P'Kenya's Alcazuz, C. D.)

"LADY" is shown here winning Best of Breed over two specials under Judge H. Martin - her very first time in the ring.

PUPPIES AVAILABLE FROM-

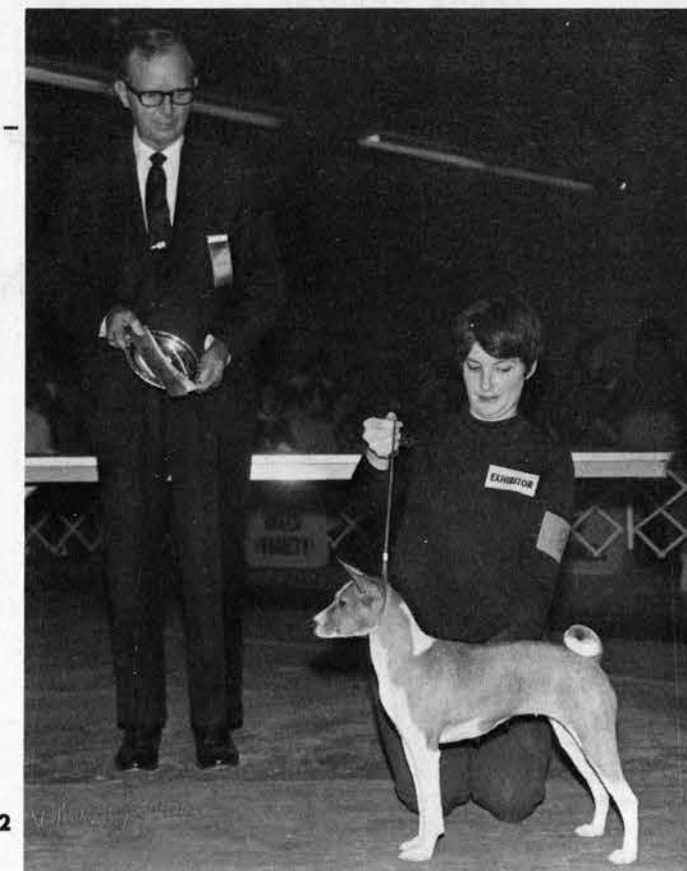
1. Ch. Cambria's Shar ex Victoria Red of Woz
2. Ch. Khajah's Gay Flambeau of Ed-Jo ex
Mischievous Bit Honey of Woz
3. Sir Datar of Horsley ex Ch. Black-Eyed Susan of Woz

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**Haere Mai From Kiwi Land**

by Pam Tregurtha

103 Pinehaven Road, Upper Hutt, New Zealand

New Zealand is in the middle of the hottest summer for many years with day after day of high temperatures and little wind. One can only pity the long-coated breeds at the many shows scheduled through the summer. Basenjis, of course, revel in it. The third Open Show of the New Zealand Basenji Club, Incorporated, is being held in a fortnight, so I will include results in my next article. As far as I know, only two families are travelling through to Auckland from Wellington, but do hope others might make it from other districts.

A friend, Maureen Haronga, had rather an upsetting weekend recently. Her two Basenji lads, MISTER and MIA, decided to go A.W.O.L. In answer to her advertisements in local papers, she received calls from various people to say they had sighted them. In fact, one caller said they killed an opossum on his property. We had all but given up hope of finding them alive by Tuesday morning when I received a phone call from a gentleman in Lower Hutt who had them sitting in his office. Did I know who they belonged to? Did I ever! Needless to say, Maureen will not be letting them off together for their evening constitutional again.

There were nineteen litters registered in New Zealand during 1969, with roughly the same number the previous year. There should be many more in the Wellington District in 1970, as many new enthusiasts are planning their first litters.

After reading the following little tidbit in the latest newsletter, I no longer wonder why my husband spends longer than necessary on my typewriter:

LEARNING TO UNDERSTAND THE STANDARD

I first became involved in Basenjis at the time CH.

FULAKIWI OF THE CONGO arrived in New Zealand, and at that stage the emphasis was quite definitely on long legs, almost to the exclusion of all other factors. This was, of course, very necessary at that time, as short legs had become almost universal. In my ignorance of other factors, it was very easy for me to pick between various dogs - "the one with the longest legs was naturally the best!"

I also knew that a Basenji should have a wrinkled brow, and a tightly curled tail so I could then definitely pick the best Basenji as the one with the longest legs, most wrinkle and the tightest tail! The judges were absolute fools because they couldn't pick the best dog when it was just this simple!

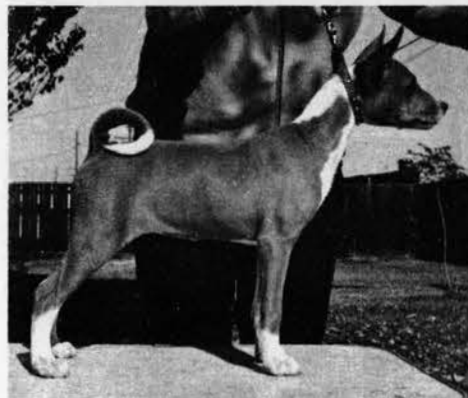
Later I found out what a pastern was. Up till then I had read in the Standard what these should look like, but as I didn't know a pastern from a palm tree, I just skipped through that sentence. From then on, I was able to sort the Basenjis out by looking for the longest legged, straightest pasterned, wrinkliest browed, curliest tailed one - the judges still did stupid things.

I read the skull should have only a slight stop. This didn't mean anything to me, so I skipped that sentence. I read that the hindquarters should have moderately bent stifles. As "stifle" meant "being unable to breathe," I was faintly curious that a Basenji should experience a moderately bent choking feeling in his hind legs, but I let that pass.

I read the eyes should be almond-shaped. Being conscientious, I went to the cupboard to see exactly what an almond looked like, but was disappointed to find that my wife had only a small bag of ground almonds. No luck there - I was never good at jig-saw puzzles anyway.

By this stage I found it very simple to pick the best Basenji - he was the longest-tailed, wrinkled eyed, breathless almond. For some reason, the judges were still not able to pick the right ones!

Young Hopeful



TANDA'S
QUAINT TINKA

(Ch. Star's Raven
Rogue of Tanda x
Ch. Bee-Jac's
Filigree)

Breeders: Andrew
and Anne Logan

Co-owners:
Bonnie Harp and
Anne Logan

Quality breeding, charming personality, and beautiful appearance adds up to "SCAMPER" who will begin her show career in the near future. We are proud to have her residing with our MUBARAK BASENJS, 4137 West Wagon Wheel Drive, Phoenix, Arizona 85021.

RUTH'S ROUNDUP

OF NORTHERN CALIFORNIA

by Ruth D. Shannon

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The weather is so warm and sunny it would seem that "spring has sprung!" Even the frog came out and croaked and SIR introduced his four offspring to his "pet." This is a merry place with those four puppies. How we hate to see them go to their new homes. It will be lonely, for at the present, there is never a dull moment. Just now I heard this "thump, thump" on the patio, outside the screened area. Investigating, I find the four pups with my dust brush which is larger than all of them, and they are dragging it from patio to yard and back, with bristles flying everywhere. They are true children of the "Hooligan," as a friend fondly calls SIR.

History was made at the Cow Palace when two young men with their Basenjis took Novice A Division and Open C Division in Junior Handling. Bobby Venters took the Novice A, and went on to Best Junior Showman. David Griffin took Open C. Both of these young men are new in the Basenji world, having owned Basenjis for about two years. I feel they have

IN LOVING MEMORY

CH. MERLEA
MIDNIGHT
SONGSTER

(December 1960 -
January 1970)



"MERLIE" was my first Basenji and my first show dog. We learned together. He finished his championship, owner handled at one year old with several majors and never went less than Winners Dog. He sired two champions and is in the pedigree of all Spearwood dogs. He lived his later years, very happily in the home of Rev. and Mrs. Bill Guild, who loved him like their child. Mrs. Ragna Spears, 10223 Vernlyn, San Antonio, Texas.

NAPTALI

Offering for sale the very lovely "pick-of-litter, red and white English import, whelped December 5, 1968 -

DRUMABAS DOTTERELL

(Eng. Ch. St. Erme Fula Falcon of the Congo ex
Am. Can. Ch. Drumadoon Dresden)

"URCHIN" is available to a good show home (I am keeping her litter sister) She is unusually sound Both front and rear, and is outstanding in coat, wrinkle, color, refinement and personality.

PUPPIES ALSO AVAILABLE

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really accomplished much in this time. May their success continue with a bright future for them.

I do hope everyone has screened well their prospective Basenji owners. I get so many calls from people wanting me to find homes for unwanted ones. For one reason or another they don't want them. I feel mostly that the novelty has worn off.

When anyone tells me they just want to have ONE litter, then no more, I tell them to look elsewhere. Those are the people who sell cheap, keeping those who are serious in breeding the best way they know how, from getting the price their pups are worth. Then there are those who sell all their pups as "show quality." Some even advertising such before they are whelped. Regardless of the sire or dam, I cannot believe anyone can truthfully have all pups of show quality. The word "quality" is used erroneously in some instances. "Quality" according to and used by McDowell Lyons in his book, "Dogs in Action" means - "that added touch in conformation, expression and character which marks the difference between competitive animals when they are projected against one another or the desired pattern of their breed." Now, how can one advertise "show quality" before they are whelped?

Notice - All you people in Northern California: Whether you are a member of the Basenji Club of Northern California or not - "This is your column!" If you have any news, wins, anecdotes or whatever, please send to me. And how about you obedience trainers? I could write a book on the antics of our dogs. This one could be called, "The Cool Pup!" Every time I open the refrigerator door, they come flying to stick their noses in to see what they can find. Too, they know their cod liver oil is kept there that they love. This particular day they tried to pull out a roll of "Bark-a-Bite" (dog food) and had it halfway out. I took it out as I was preparing to feed them but with four little heads there, I could not close the door. I put the dog food on the counter and came back to close the refrigerator door. Lo and behold! Lying on the bottom shelf coolly gnawing a bone was the pup we call SWEETIE-PIE! I got her out and closed the door. Going about my work, I got a strong smell of onion. Tracking down the odor, I find the other three had gotten half an onion from a plastic bag and they were lying there eating away on that onion. They reeked of onions, but SWEETIE-PIE was still "cool!"

Here's wishing The Basenji Club of France great success! I've just had a letter from Mrs. Rundle. Don't Basenjis pick the nicest owners?

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NEW CHAMPION

(Championship certified by American Kennel Club)

CHAMPION KAIMAI'S BLAZING BENJAMIN



Fulafire of the Congo
Ch. Fulahill of the Congo
Fulafancy of the Congo

Sire: Blazing Bronze Red of Ouimac

Ch. Flagelot OTC
Ch. Tinas Coma Venus
Ch. Glenairley Black Munia

Ch. Bettina's Oryx
Ch. Cambria's Ti-Mungai
Ch. My Love of the Congo

Dam: Cambria's Kaimai

Ch. Cambria's Nairobi
Cambria's Tanganyika
Ch. My Love of the Congo

Ch. Kaimai's Blazing Benjamin (Our first champion)

is shown here finishing the requirements for his title at the Greater Daytona Kennel Club show, Daytona Beach, Florida, January 4, 1970 under Judge Wallace C. Alford. Handled by Bennie L. Dennard, Sr.

"BENJAMIN" IS AT STUD TO APPROVED BITCHES

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Father: CH. BAZIMBA'S PRIDE 'N JOY
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CAPITOL PAW PRINTS

by Marvin G. Wallis
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It is a pleasure to note that there are more than two readers of this column. In the past month, I have been happy to note that a few comments have been received and the tally is underway regarding the number of Basenjis who are "trustworthy" - please remember that I mean completely trustworthy and will include only those who do not now, and have never done any mischief. Individual replies will be made, time permitting, to all who write me their comments.

I don't wish to embarrass anyone - so the name will be omitted - but one comment was to the effect that the correspondent's Basenji was trustworthy and they would hate to think that we were raising untrustworthy dogs: and the letter continued to relate a minor slip - seems the writer's bitch fled down a few flights of fire escape and mated with a Beagle! Sorry, such minor slips will eliminate the dog from those who never - - etc.

The water supply still flows, albeit with a muddy appearance and a taste of chalk. Ah, the joys of country living! The labor of restoration of the fluid so necessary to man was followed a week or so later by a slight touch of the flu. I went to work one day and seemed to be greeted with comments from my fellow workers who were enquiring when the funeral was being held. After an hour or so of this, I went to see the nurse and she said, "Yes, a slight temperature - 101.4 - why don't you go home and stop contaminating these people?" So I did. Seems there is quite a bit of this floating around. Fortunately, all the dogs are well.

While waiting for the full results of the poll on dog behaviourism to finalize, let me say that so far, the comments seem to follow mine - the completely trustworthy Basenji is a rarity. I hasten to add, this is not a characteristic exclusively Basenji - many other breeds (would you believe, all) have the same problem and almost every dog will, at one time or another, make some slip. Please don't excuse puppy behavior either as I also include slips at that age. Some of the comments have been most interesting and some writers seem to feel that I am "pulling their leg" as one wrote. "You must be kidding" was another reply. However, as they say on TV, results are not yet final and we must wait for the results from the outlying precincts. Do let me hear from you if you have any coming (continued on page 16)

YODELS FROM THE EVERGREEN BASENJI CLUB

by Sheila H. Smith
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Here I sit, at the O'Hare International Airport, waiting for the next leg of my trip to see my new granddaughter, and suddenly it dawned on me - it's the first! This has been such a hectic few days, time slipped up on me!

Remember Michelle, you old timers, when she used to trot to the shows with me and "rassle" a Basenji through the junior showmanship, and come out of the ring with blisters on her hands from the lead? Now she and Ed have Tamara Lea - 8 pounds, 1 ounce, 21 inches long. A single-pup litter, pink and white.

Andy Logan flew to Spokane week before last and stopped on his way back. We ran up to Mae and Norm Wallaces and he and Norm had a nice visit while Mazie and I fixed lunch. (I toasted the bread.) The new TINAS COMA litter had arrived, and Andy met some of PRINCE'S puppies while in the Seattle area. With PRINCE in New Orleans, we have only three Basenjis at home. The lowest number in years. Soon we'll add a new one, a black and white girl from HORSLEY KENNELS. Yvette has done most of the paperwork, and it's a toss-up as to which one of us is more excited. I can remember when we got our first tri, and the comments about him. Our girl is ready to leave England now, but must wait until I return to Seattle.

NEWEST NEWS - Subject to A.K.C. confirmation, Mrs. Jayne Stringer will be the judge at our second Evergreen Basenji Specialty Show! Our applied for date is July 25, the day before the Seattle Kennel Club show. Start saving your quarters and fly in for a swinging time during Seafair Week - THE week in Seattle! Hydroplane races, dog shows, pirate ships, wheee!

And now, I'm in South Bend waiting for take-off (in the plane, not my broom) and wondering - what would you like me to "soapbox" on? Any suggestions?

CHICAGO INTERNATIONAL

KENNEL CLUB SHOW was named Best in Nation for 1969! The honor as the nation's outstanding show came at the annual Saint Aubrey Kennel Review Awards banquet held in San Francisco, January 30, 1970.

This win is equal to winning the "Oscar" for the nation's best dog show. The featured spring show in Chicago which had a total entry of 3,405, was the largest of any show last year.

IN MEMORY

It is with extreme grief that I announce the deaths of my beloved companions and house pets, and my litter of four puppies, by smoke inhalation, due to a fire in my dog room.

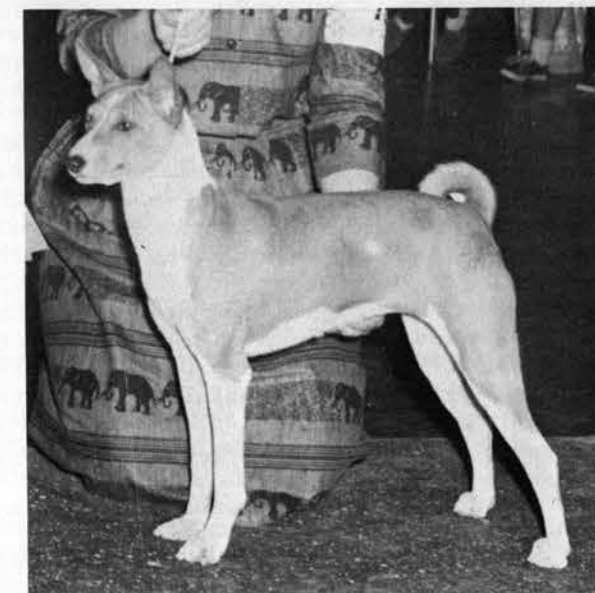
Lost Forever



Can. Ch. Drumadoon Dhura (Moko)
(February 27, 1964 to January 17, 1970)

(Drumadoon Ducat x Drumadoon Dancing Doll)

The gentlest lady ever born. Never more will she warm my feet at night nor gently object when left at home. Royalty of bearing and a lady to the end. She leaves an emptiness that will never be filled.



Naptali Re'Et lus'As Robway (Candy)
(December 8, 1968 to January 17, 1970)

(Can. & Am. Ch. Merlea Sun Dancer
x Naptali's Cleopatra, Can. C.D.)

The sweetest dog I've ever owned. CANDY will never know her great heritage nor leave offspring to carry on her gentle nature and loving devotion.

Four Puppies

(by Ron Anne's Black Lancer x Naptali's Diweina)

(December 14, 1969 to January 17, 1970)

GUY, GRESHEI, FANE and LOLA

Will never know the love and faithfulness of human companionship.

There will be an empty void from now on. I'm afraid my enthusiasm has been sapped with this tragedy. I hope to continue, but none will ever fill the void.

Dear God, it's so hard to lose a dog, to lose three is unbearable! I pray there is a heaven for dogs.

NAPTALI

Nancy Ann Park



Naptali's Diweina (Star)

April 24, 1967 to January 17, 1970

(Tinas Coma Xmas Magic x Can. Ch. Drumadoon Dhura)

No longer will her slim, lithe form grace my life. She will never again raise a dainty paw in apology for wrong doing. She was a lady in all respects, naughty at times, but always a lady.

The Magnolia Basenji Club

by Agness Wood

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Even the unusually cold weather did not keep the MBC members away from the annual meeting and dinner in Largo, Saturday night, January 10, 1970. The dinner was delicious, thanks to Betty Hogland and her staff; the crowd was friendly and full of Basenji talk.

We are truly sorry that the weatherman failed so miserably during the Florida Winter Circuit, January 2 through 20. Even though this is my first winter in Florida, I know this was unusual and unexpected.

I won't give show results here since they appear elsewhere in the magazine, but would like to mention that SHANGU won 10 Bests of Breed out of the 11 Florida shows. He's really a beautiful dog and a pleasure to see in the ring. It gives us all heart to keep trying when we see a truly great dog win fairly and squarely. Keep it up, SHANG!

It was great fun to meet so many Basenji owners at ringside and the dinner that I had previously only known by name. And I want to thank all for the nice comments for my efforts in "Capitol Pawprints," now being carried on in a great way by Marvin Wallis, and now it gives me encouragement to do "mbwa habari" (Swahili, meaning Dog News) for Magnolia Basenji Club. However, since our area is quite large, I do hope all of you will keep me posted on events that I may not otherwise be aware of.

I understand Al Braun brought swim trunks and shorts with him in order to enjoy our sunshine. I doubt that he was able to use them this time, but try again—maybe next time—so come again, Al and Kitty and dogs. John Fenney, also down from frozen north country (Toronto, Canada) was shivering at ringside in St. Petersburg (outside, no less, because of the large number of entries). Sorry about that John, come again! We did enjoy having all of you and do come again. The weather can't be this bad again.

Don't forget Open House from 6 to 11 P. M. at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George W. Smoak, 1422 Pinecrest Drive, Albany, Georgia 31705, on Saturday evening, February 21. The evening before the Albany show. Do plan to come!

May I take this means of replying and commenting on two recent articles that appeared in "The Basenji?" The first is in answer to a letter that appeared in The Mailbox (Feb. '70) (continued on page 19)

Current Contender

SPEARWOOD

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O'SUNTRECE

(Ch. Spearwood
Dancing Red Deer x
Ch. Spearwood
Bedazzle of Bakuba)

Breeder:
Ragna Spears

Owner/Handler:
Sandra J. Plutchak
655 SW Herbert Ave.
Corvallis, Oregon



CANTRECE pranced to BOB under Judge Mrs. Helen Walsh at the Portland, Oregon show, January 11, 1970.

CURRENT CONTENDER



CAMBRIA'S TI-NIKIABO

(Ch. Cambria's Ti-Chakula x Ch. Cambria's Dlulisa)

"NIKI" is shown going WD for a 3-point major at the Beverly Hills KC show, Los Angeles, California, on January 4, 1970, under Breeder/Judge Marianne Grybinski. Breeder and exclusive handler, Robert J. Mankey. Owners: Thomas E. and Kathleen Phillips, 5892 Brannen Drive, Huntington Beach, Calif.

ARCTIC CAPERS

by Sam McKee

3121 Knik Avenue, Anchorage, Alaska 99503

Made a trip to Kenai and Soldatna the other day. Main purpose was to speak at a meeting of the newly formed Kenai Kennel Club—they need help and we need more shows. They've invited me to judge a fun match some time in March. Already a number of people in Anchorage have volunteered to boost the entry.

Visited with Jean Hayes and her five pups by CH. FULA MKIA OF THE CONGO x KEYNYE'S CAMEO. Too young to say much about except that they're good, healthy youngsters. Jean has a really nice layout—she has her basement fenced off for individual runs, with an opening to two different runs outdoors. All this she did herself, and that's a lot of hard work.

There are no tri pups in Alaska this year so far as I know. I have three red and white by CH. SPEARWOOD DANCING RED DEER x TINAS COMA TRI-ME OF TROSAMBE. This has been like others MIMI has produced. She doesn't lose her appetite before hand, but will eat right up to a couple of hours before she whelps.

She stands quietly and patiently on the examining table on our trip to the vet while Jack Rasmusson goes over her. (Some day I'm going to devote an entire column to that wonderful man.) Then she and I wait impatiently in another room while the dewclaws are removed from the pups—neither of us care for this one bit. Soon the pups are returned, no worse for wear, and home we go. MIMI taking her pups deep back into the dark crate.

For the first time in years, I'm spending January in Anchorage—someone else drew the Nome assignment. I like the place, but I have nobody to take care of my pups this year, and I'd much rather do it myself anyway.

SPEARWOOD BASENJIS



"BLACK IS BEAUTIFUL"

Five very flashy black and white, one red and white

by **SIR DANNITAR OF HORSLEY (B/W)**

x **SPEARWOOD DAINTY LIL' DOE (pictured)**

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BASENJI CLUB OF NEW ENGLAND yankee doin's

by Robert House

RFD #1, Skyline Drive, Oakdale, Connecticut 06370

The Basenji Club of New England annual meeting was held January 17, 1970, at the Vallee Steak House in Warwick, Rhode Island, and after dinner, members attending retired to a motel conference room to conduct the business meeting.

The only change in officers was a new treasurer—Mrs. Bernice Blake and the vote was unanimous for all nominated.

A review of past accomplishments is in order, for the B.C.O.N.E. has contributed much in the advancement of our breed. The B.C.O.N.E. has 103 regular members and 11 juniors for a total of 114. We think this is the largest membership of any regional club. Over 75% of the club members are breeders and/or exhibitors. We have held seven matches, hosted two specialties, have had twenty-eight board meetings and thirteen regular meetings.

Although fierce competitors in the show ring, the club has the most harmonious relationship among the members of any club of which I am a member. The president's message stressed this point and well he should.

Speaking of our president, Mr. Ross Dwinells was selected by The Dog Writers Association of America as the editor of the year for the "Best Breed or Club Bulletin" in the United States. Mr. Dwinells was the editor of The Basenji Club of America Bulletin last year and it was an honor well deserved.

I would like to urge all non-members to join The Basenji Club of America.

When we sell a puppy, we give the new owners a BCOA

application and the address to The Basenji magazine. Owners of a new puppy want to know more about the breed and I can't think of a better way to get them started.

I seldom write of my own dogs in this column, but on December 27, 1969, my KHAJAH'S GAY FIESTA gave birth to one tri, one red and white, and four black and white puppies. I have been wondering if this could be the first litter with all three colors represented. If anyone has had or heard of such a litter, please write. Thank you!

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have no trouble and do not need assistance in delivering their pups. If labor lasts more than 3 to 4 hours, or if there is a period of more than 2 to 3 hours between pups, help may be needed, and a veterinarian should be called.

Do not disturb the mother more than is necessary, but be sure that the pups are not laid on or chilled. The mother seldom needs help in caring for the puppies during whelping. Unless she is in obvious difficulty, she is best left alone.

Nervous or highstrung bitches should be watched to prevent their destroying the puppies accidentally or intentionally. After all the pups are born, the most excitable bitch will calm down and take a motherly interest in her offspring. It is best to keep her quiet as possible and to allow no strangers near her for several days.

Check the pups frequently for the first few days to see that all are getting an equal and adequate supply of food. Large puppies may push smaller ones away from the breasts and prevent their getting sufficient milk. Small or weak puppies should nurse alone at times to help them develop as rapidly as the larger ones. Bedding should be changed frequently to keep the pups clean and dry.

CURRENT CONTENDER



CAMBRIA'S TI-DAWA

Sire: Ch. Cambria's Ti-Chakula Dam: Ch. Cambria's Dlulisa

Judge: Major B. Godsol

Handler: Robert J. Mankey

Winners Bitch, Best of Opposite Sex, at the Yuma Kennel Club show, Yuma, Arizona, November 29, 1969. Owners: Dr. and Mrs. A. H. Vautrin, 1419 East Sunview Drive, Orange, Calif.

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SUNNY

CARE AND GROOMING OF THE BASENJI

From the April 1969 issue of BCOSC Lagniappe

by Robert J. Mankey

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The condition of the dog and the appearance of his coat first depends on a good diet, with additions of linatone and/or bacon fat to produce the natural body oils. Every Basenji should have his nails cut. Two kinds of cutters are available: scissors type or clipper type. The nail should be cut as short as possible without cutting into the quick (containing the blood vessels). If you inadvertently draw blood and no styptic, such as Quik-Stop, is available, dipping the nail in ordinary flour will alleviate the bleeding. After cutting, use a nail file (bastard or diamond) or a nail grinder to shorten still further and to take off the sharp edges.

Teeth should be kept clean — the canine teeth usually requiring most frequent attention. A used scaler can often be obtained from your veterinarian or dentist for this purpose.

Ears should also be kept clean — a Q-tip being used to clean the crevices only as far into the ear as you can see. Any build-up of dirt around the edge of the ear should be removed. Soak with baby oil and rub off. Repeated treatments may be necessary.

Frequent brushing will keep the skin and coat in good condition. A rubber curry brush will remove dead hair. A wooly winter undercoat should be taken out, using a magnet stripping knife held on a slant with the hacksaw-like teeth pointing the way the hair grows. Thorough soaking with lanolin left on for days, if necessary, is a good treatment of an extremely bad coat.

Only bathe your Basenji when absolutely necessary as this removes the natural oil. Use a drop of mineral oil in eyes and cotton plugs in the ears if you fear getting shampoo and water in them. A medicated shampoo or SOS oil bath will help with dandruff.

When showing your Basenji, it should be presented with as clean and neat an appearance as possible. Bathe, if necessary, three days before the show to allow natural body oils to return to the coat.

Whiskers should be trimmed off, using a curved blunt end scissors, fitting the curve of the face — don't forget the eyebrows. If your dog has large ears, just neaten the hair inside the base of the ear. With a small ear, this can be re-

moved. It will help at this point if you have someone else hold the head. Grip the pressure points behind the jawbone, below the ear.

Use electric clippers (#10 blade) to trim the feathering up the back of the rear legs. Work from the hock up in a smooth movement. Also use the clippers on the root of the tail and the underparts. Blend in the hair at the clipper line on the rear legs with extra-fine thinning shears. If no clippers are available, straight edge scissors can be used, or if in doubt, thinning shears alone.

Also use the thinning shears to trim neck featherings and around markings, especially in tri-colors. Pay particular attention to the base of the tail, more so in tri-colors. Trim the black hair back to the tan, which improves the appearance of the tail-set. Trim off untidy hairs, also any hair between the pads on the bottom of the feet with straight scissors.

The tail itself should be trimmed using straight scissors against the lie of the hair. If the tail has a loose curl, just tidy it up. Leave the hair extending beyond the tip of the tail. The hair at the top of the curl can be cut a bit closer to help the appearance of the tail lie.

Never cut or clip the body coat. "Guard" hairs can be removed with the magnet stripping knife — used this time by placing it behind the hair to be removed. Place the thumb over the hair and pluck the way the coat grows.

Chalk can be used on the white parts, especially the feet. Rub it in, then brush out with a soft brush. Remember this is only a cleaning agent and any chalk found by the judge could lead to disqualification.

Grooming oil used before going in the ring will enhance the sheen of the coat — just use a smear, not enough to be felt.

CAPITOL PAW PRINTS (continued)

ment either way. At present the sampling is still small.

I have also been gratified to receive a few letters (all too few) regarding my pleas for assistance in locating pictures and data on the early Basenjies of note. One arrival today was a photo of CH. MIACOR'S ZUCHIL, handled by the late Johnny Davis, and I am grateful to Ellen Snyder for this. Please help me with this research project and forward any photos (show poses, if possible) which will show the dog's conformation or outstanding feature. If there are any people in the photo, please identify them for me. All photos will be returned, if desired. Also wanted are old articles, etc., from any source. These too will be copied and returned, if desired.

Keep those cards and letters flowing!

BASENJI CLUB OF CINCINNATI

by Doris Kukuk

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The big news this month is the merging of two of our local kennels. ROSAMBI and RIA-LEE will merge sometime in May to become ROS-LEE. All kidding aside, our sincere congratulations to Clarke Ross and Rita Shahan who have just announced their engagement. It couldn't happen to a nicer pair.

Congratulations are also in order to Dr. Tom Brown and his TOMLIN'S SASSAFRAS SAL on obtaining her Companion Dog degree. Tom and "SAL" finished at the Marion, Ohio show, January 25, with a score of 192 1/2, just two weeks after her first birthday. "SAL" is working so hard that papa APOLLO fears she may beat him to the C. D. X. degree.

Litter records in this area were broken by Harley and Pat Plummer's ATHENA. She and proud papa, CH. ADAM OF ETERNDO have a litter of eight. Next came Clarke Ross with six from DOLLY. She is his new black and white English import, and lucky Clarke got three blacks in the litter.

The puppy head count is 22 that our local Basenji puppy mill had, along with her Pugs and Dobermans, she is doing her best to undersell the local puppy market.

Our club meeting, January 9, proved to be lots of fun and many fine discussions going, even though it was supposed to be strictly social. Donna Panian invited all members to her new Louisville home at their dog show, February 22. Vicky Schueler presented a grooming table to be on loan to the club, and go to all dog shows for every member's use.

We are already working toward obtaining Basenji-type trophies for our local Cincinnati show, June 7. Plans are being made to host a get-together at the Kukuk residence after the show for all exhibitors. Hope we can interest you readers in coming to our show as we are pushing hard for majors.

We came home in triumph from our first show in the new year. Our new male, KHAJAH'S GAY LYSANDER was Winners Dog and Best of Winners for 2 points at Marion, Ohio, January 25. It was the first time out for him with us. Bettie Rees showed her BAZIMBA'S PERT 'N PRETTY to Winners Bitch and Best of Opposite Sex for 2 points. Robert Hampton's AM. and CAN. CH. BETSY ROSS GUY MUNGIA won Best of Breed. The Hamptons came from Ann Arbor, Michigan for this show and it sure was nice talking to them again. After showing, the Hamptons, Bettie Rees and ourselves gathered together at the coffee table to talk puppies. Ruth Ackley was there at nine in the morning to watch the judging, even though she had no entries. Phyllis Schierloch was there showing her BAZIMBA'S CROWN JEWEL, who has made a wonderful comeback after having puppies just eight weeks ago. And with Tom and "SAL" earning her C. D. made it a truly wonderful day.

MAILBOX (continued)

From Dale A. Pearlman

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... I have some very interesting news for all Basenji folk. I was watching a Lowell Thomas Special on television the other day. It was about an expedition he made into New Guinea to find some undiscovered tribes. He was very successful. He found two tribes, one called the Biambi and the other, the Heesu. They both had Basenji-type dogs. The Biambi tribesmen had black and white dogs that resembled the Basenji (from what I could see) in every way except that they had straight tails, our dog's length, but not curled, and slightly different markings. They seemed to have more white than most black and whites that we know. One of the natives held up a puppy that looked like the dogs we know but his ears were on the large side. They

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Ramblin' With Grannie Green

by Evelyn M. Green

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Reputable breeders are becoming more and more concerned about the so-called puppy mills or dog factories which are steadily increasing throughout the country. I've received literature, as I'm sure many breeders have, from several of these operations from various parts of the country. One was the smoothest pieces of camouflage I've encountered in any type of business. This organization invited breeders and clubs to join with them in the fight to overcome the poor quality of dogs being sold on the pet market. This was to be accomplished through breeders cooperating with them by supplying good quality puppies to their outlet stores for resale. It was stated that individual pet shops would be managed by a person who had received four weeks of intensive training dealing with breed knowledge and dog care. Four weeks!

Several months ago, I made an inquiry at a pet shop in a southern city which was reputed to be a puppy mill. It was done for the purpose of exposing misrepresentations in the sale of purebred dogs. Answering the ad which appears regularly in their local paper, I inquired about the purchase of a male Basenji puppy. I wrote an "ignorant type" letter asking how to go about registering a dog and for explanation of their ten-year guarantee. An answer came promptly on a post card, handwritten and not very legible. It follows: "Thanks for your letter. At this time we do not have a Basenji in stock nor on order and until a particular dog is priced to us by the breeder and then only after we see the dog, are we able to price it. Any Basenji which we would offer would be subject to AKC registration, and we are happy to explain what is necessary to do so (actually it is not complicated). The ten-year guarantee is: 1. If the pup were to die during the first 6 months from distemper, hepatitis, leptosporosis or hard pad, we will replace it or allow full credit toward replacement if another breed is chosen. 2. During the first two years if the pup is lost for any reason — death by natural cause, accident or loss or theft, 40 percent credit is allowed toward replacement. 3. After 2 years a 25 percent credit applies. We are keeping your letter on file and will let you know when we have a male Basenji." I've had no further communication from them.

I've come to the conclusion that no intelligent person would buy a dog under such conditions, no more than one would

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CALIFORNIA

1/4/70, KC of Beverly Hills, Los Angeles, Judge Mrs. M. Grybinski (14 D, 16 B, 9 S)
WD, CAMBRIA'S TI-NIKIABO, K. & T. Phillips (3 pts)
RD, LUDDYMARIE BETSY ROSS RASCAL, M. Bloor
WB-BW, R BAR W'S RED CINDER, E. & A. Oberfield (3 pts)
RB, KAZOR'S TI-DOWA, C. Webb
BB, CH. CAMBRIA'S KILIMANJARO, J. Leech & J. Deck
BOS, CH. CAMBRIA'S BETTINA, R. Mankey
1/25/70, Orange Empire DC, Inc., San Bernardino, Judge Dr. F. Booth (17 D, 13 B, 6 S)
WD, SHIKARI'S BLACK KISHALE, R. Frederick (4 pts)
RD, LUDDYMARIE BETSY ROSS RASCAL, M. Bloor
WB-BW-BOS, CAMBRIA'S TI-DAWA, A. & M. Vautrin (4 pts)
RB, TANDA'S PAGAN DANCER, S. Lukela & A. Logan
BB, CH. CAMBRIA'S KILIMANJARO, J. Leech & J. Deck
1/31 & 2/1/70, Golden Gate KC, San Francisco, Judge G. Plaga (6 D, 11 B, 5 S)
WD-BW, LUDDYMARIE BETSY ROSS RASCAL M. Bloor (1 pt)
RD, HOLLYFEL'S ZINDIKO OF MINOMBO, A. & E. Merck
WB, NIMAR'S SERENA OF KEE, L. Hollenbeck & C. Morris (1 pt)
RB, JATOGL'S SANAA, J. & J. Gill
BB, CH. COPTOKIN THE VELDT SIR LANTIC F. Scheufele & M. Gontarek
BOS, CH. NAHARIN'S DREAMFLOWER, M. Carden
First in Novice-Best Jr. Handler, Bobby Zenner
First in Open Jr. Handling, David Griffin

FLORIDA

1/7/70, Sara Bay KC, Sarasota, Judge Mrs. B. Godsol (13 D, 10 B, 5 S)
WB-BW, AMENHOTEP PARAA KENBACO, C. Peek (4 pts)
RD, KITOKO AZKO ANDROCLES, J. Delmotte & G. Fellers
WB, HENTY P'KENYA AMABLI'S GUINADA, A. Braun (3 pts)
RB, ALABAR'S DELIGHTFUL DECEIVER, A. Mayfield
BB, CH. SHANGU OF HILLS HALF ACRE, M. & F. Hill
BOS, CH. CAMBRIA'S MIKANDU, P. Peek
1/8/70, Manatee KC, Bradenton, Judge M. Baker (13 D, 8 B, 5 S)
WD, OBA MILO, C. & M. Cavalier (4 pts)
RD, SIMBA OF THE SEA WIND, P. & M. Gougelman
WB-BW, ALABAR'S DELIGHTFUL DECEIVER A. Mayfield (4 pts)
RB, HENTY P'KENYA AMABLI'S GUINADA, A. Braun
BB, CH. RED MAN OF RANCHO REST, W. Hackleman
BOS, CH. CAMBRIA'S MIKANDU, P. Peek
1/9/70, Clearwater KC, Clearwater, Judge V. Evans (14 D, 11 B, 5 S)
WD-BW, AMENHOTEP PARAA KENBACO, C. Peek (4 pts)
RD, DRUMPOINT'S AZISSI OF MUSSULA, F.

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BOS, CH. CAMBRIA'S MIKANDU, P. Peek
1/10/70, St. Petersburg DFA, St. Petersburg, Judge M. Godsol (15 D, 13 B, 8 S)
WD-BW, ZANY AZENDA, J. Ransdell (4 pts)
RD, MAKALIKA'S MANU O'TIMBUKTU, M. Grundman
WB, SUNNY GIRL OF TA-MERA, H. Rose & E. Zink (4 pts)
RB, ALABAR'S DELIGHTFUL DECEIVER, A. Mayfield
BB-GR 3, CH. SHANGU OF HILLS HALF ACRE, M. & F. Hill
BOS, CH. CAMBRIA'S MIKANDU, P. Peek
1/11/70, Tampa Bay KC, Tampa, Judge M. Siebern (15 D, 11 B, 8 S)
WD-BW, AKNATON OF TA-MERA, H. Rose & E. Zink (4 pts)
RD, ZANY AZENDA, J. Ransdell
WB, HENTY P'KENYA AMABLI'S GUINADA, A. Braun (3 pts)
RB, ALABAR'S DELIGHTFUL DECEIVER, A. Mayfield
BB, CH. SHANGU OF HILLS HALF ACRE, M. & F. Hill
BOS, CH. CAMBRIA'S MIKANDU, P. Peek
1/13/70, Central Fla. KC, Orlando, Judge R. Waters (13 D, 9 B, 4 S)
WD, AKHNATON OF TA-MERA, H. Rose & E. Zink (4 pts)
RD, OBA MILO, C. & M. Cavalier
WB-BW-BOS, SUNNY GIRL OF TA-MERA, H. Rose & E. Zink (4 pts)
RB, HENTY P'KENYA AMABLI'S GUINADA, A. Braun
BB, CH. SHANGU OF HILLS HALF ACRE, M. & F. Hill

1/16/70, Ft. Lauderdale DC, Inc., Ft. Lauderdale, Judge Mrs. A. Van Court (10 D, 9 B, 3 S)
WD-BW, AKHNATON OF TA-MERA, H. Rose & E. Zink (3 pts)
RD, WILBARRIE'S HAPPY OF KELYN, D. Guess & J. Pickens
WB-BOS, LEHU'S YUMBA OF WILBARRIE, D. Lehw (3 pts)
RB, ALABAR'S DELIGHTFUL DECEIVER, A. Mayfield
BB, CH. SHANGU OF HILLS HALF ACRE, M. & F. Hill
1/8/70, Greater Miami DC, Miami, Judge

M. Heald (10 D, 10 B, 3 S)
WD-BW, WILBARRIE'S HAPPY OF KELYN, D. Guess & J. Pickens (3 pts)
RD, ZANY AZENDA, J. Ransdell
WB-BOS, SUNNY GIRL OF TA-MERA, H. Rose & E. Zink (3 pts)
RB, LEHU'S HUMBA OF WILBARRIE, D. Lehw
BB, CH. SHANGU OF HILLS HALF ACRE, M. & F. Hill
1/20/70, Palm Beach Cnty DFA, Inc., Palm Beach Shores, Judge M. Riddle (7 D, 6 B, 1 S)
WD, WOODLYN'S HEGEMONEY OF WOZ, C. Wozniak & L. Woods (2 pts)
RD, WILBARRIE'S HAPPY OF KELYN, D. Guess & J. Pickens
WB-BW-BOS, ALABAR'S DELIGHTFUL DECEIVER, A. Mayfield (2 pts)
RB, TANNER'S DAWN OF RAVENWOOD, P. Tanner
BB, CH. SHANGU OF HILLS HALF ACRE, M. & F. Hill

ILLINOIS

1/18/70, Wheaton KC, Inc. Wheaton, Judge H. Martin (4 D, 4 B, 2 S)
WD, RALAGLO'S CAPTAIN ROYALE, C. & B. Ekman (1 pt)
WB-BW-BB, CANDY'S SHADY LADY, C. Wozniak & C. Brown (1 pt)
BOS, CH. TANTA'S NATIVE JUPOR BOY, J. Burnett
Reserves not reported

INDIANA

2/1/70, Muncie KC, Inc., Muncie, Judge E. Adair (1 D, 2 B, 2 S)
WD-BW, KHAJAH'S GAY LYSANDER, H. Kukuk (1 pt)
WB-BOS, BALES ALBU ANEMONE, M. Ferrell (1 pt)
RB, HENTY P'KENYA FULA CAPERS, N. Flint
BB, CH. BETSY ROSS GUY MUNGAI, B. Newmann & R. Hampton

OHIO

1/25/70, Marion, Ohio KC, Inc., Marion, Judge G. Plaga (6 D, 7 B, 3 S)
WD-BW, KHAJAH'S GAY LYSANDER, H. Kukuk (2 pts)
RD, PADRAIGMAIRE SEAN, M. Polley
WB-BOS, BAZIMBA'S PERT 'N PRETTY, B. Rees (2 pts)
RB, BETSY ROSS FANCY BLACK KRIKIT, R. & J. Hampton
BB, CH. BETSY ROSS GUY MUNGAI, B. Newmann & R. Hampton
Score 192 1/2, TOMLIN'S SASSAFRAS SAL, Dr. T. Brown (complete C.D., subject to (AKC))

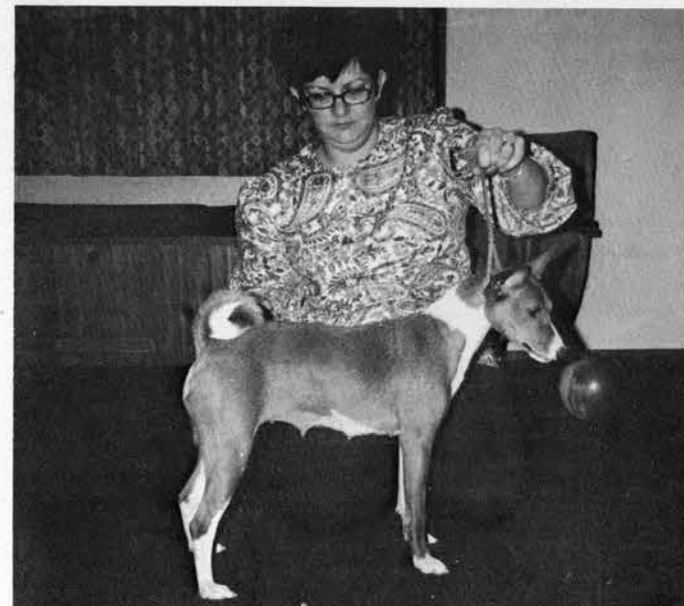
OREGON

1/11/70, DFA of Oregon, Portland, Judge H. Walsh (7 D, 8 B, 0 S)
WD-BOS, VODOO SAM'SON, L. Janes (2 pts)
RD, CAMBRIA'S BTAMBU, G. Strovas
WB-BW-BB, SPEARWOOD QUESTT O'SUN-TRECE, S. Plutchak (2 pts)
RB, KAR-BUNI SIKUZOTE TAYARI, Mrs. P. Williams

WISCONSIN

1/25/70, Wisconsin KC, Milwaukee, Judge Dr. W. Waskow (8 D, 5 B, 2 S)
WD-BW-BOS, RODAK'S KINGOLA FLASH, R. Keepers (2 pts) (continued on page C3)

CURRENT CONTENDER



BAZIMBA'S PERKY PETRINA

(Ch. Khajah's Gay Flambeau of Ed-Jo x Khajah's Midnite Mist)
"PERKY" shown with her owner, Mrs. Michael Anderchek, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada, was Winners Bitch for 3 points, her first time shown, at The Gateway City show in Winnipeg. She is litter sister to Ch. Bazimba's Pride 'N Joy, Ch. Khajah's Gay Cinnamon and Bazimba's Pert 'N Pretty (7 points). Breeder: Bettie J. Rees, 424 Thomas Avenue, Newark, Ohio.

MAGNOLIA BASENJI CLUB (continued)

from Wilma Bauer, regarding a problem many have had when purchasing their first Basenji. It is a problem that I have heard many, many times, and one that should be given some thought. My suggestion is that a buyer should know his breeder. When buying a pet for a reasonable price, it is well to be cautious of the man you are dealing with, since you certainly are entitled to a healthy puppy, and also one that will grow up to have a good, friendly disposition. It is even more important if you are sold a puppy that you were assured is show quality, and have paid a price to get this quality. It is practically impossible to tell at 2 - 3 months of age how this cute little bundle of joy will eventually turn out. Of course, many faults are evident at this age, but it is really hard to tell what you are getting. Even an expert can be wrong and so what chance has a new owner who has seen few Basenjis? So, again I say, know your breeder! What kind of reputation does he have? If possible, meet and discuss him with other dogpeople, and with those who have purchased dogs from him. Of course, the dog's pedigree surely means something and should be looked over carefully, however, that isn't always a guarantee that the offspring will be as good as either the dam or sire, but it is certainly an indication of what you can expect. If you pay show price, then you are entitled to get what you pay for. A breeder who does not stand behind his product is one to be avoided. You might ask for some assurance or guarantee that would protect your investment in case the puppy grows up to be only a pet. A breeder who places his reputation and the good of the breed first, will agree to this, however, if he is out for only personal gain (money, etc.) than beware! So again, it boils down to know your breeder!

And there is another side to the above situation. The purchaser that finds he has been sold a faulty or defective pup also has an obligation to refrain from breeding the dog that

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does not meet the standard. Because, even though you have paid a dear price for him, he should not pass his defects and faults on to future generations. So learn from your sad experience, but don't repeat it!

My second comments are regarding the articles by A. B. Reeder. I do feel that you have given us all food for thought, and the title, "Thoughts Provokin'" is quite appropriate. If you have missed the last four issues, dig them out and read them again. Give us more, Mr. Reeder, there are many subjects that should be brought into the open and given serious thought. It's so easy to just sit still and not rock the boat, or as the old saying goes, "Let George do it!" Let's not be either - a little serious discussion and open exchange of views and opinions can often open avenues of thought and action.

MAILBOX (concluded)

were prick ears but seemed to be the airplane-type.

The Heesu had red and white dogs. I could easily see they had very short coats and the very old style ear (small ears) as those pictured in "Basenjis The Barkless Dogs," by Veronica Tudor-Williams.

As far as I know, Basenjis or Basenji-type dogs have never been found in a natural habitat of New Guinea. I say "natural" because, according to Lowell Thomas, he and his expedition were the only strangers ever to visit this part of New Guinea. Of course, it is possible that someone else, years ago, might have brought them to New Guinea.

Unfortunately, no comment was made about the dogs. However, they didn't seem to like the presence of strangers.

As soon as I can find out where to write, I'll send a letter to Lowell Thomas asking if he knows any more about the dogs or has some pictures he can supply us with. . . .

CURRENT CONTENDER



R BAR W'S RED CINDER

(Am. & Mex. Ch. Bwana of the Congo x Ch. Fulafay of the Congo, C.D.)

"CINDER" shown here taking Best of Winners for 3 points (her first major), at Beverly Hills Kennel Club, Los Angeles, on January 4, 1970. Judge Marianne Grybinski. Owner/Handler: Alice Oberfield, 2153 West Osborn Road, Phoenix, Arizona. "CINDER" also took Best of Winners from the puppy class at Silver State Kennel Club show, Las Vegas, Nevada, November 9, 1969, for 1 point. (Photo by Ludwig)



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At last the puppies have arrived! It seems they never will get here but suddenly they are here. Barb Hagberg has a litter of eight. We have three litters of six each. I understand Myrtle Boyer of Fort Dodge, Iowa, has a litter. The Robert Jones family of Marion, Iowa, also have a litter.

Hagbergs and Jensens were up to see us this past weekend. We are fortunate to live near their lake cabin so when they are checking on that, they stop here. Tom had a snowmobile along so the men and kids had a ball in the snow. Our weather had been from 20 to 30 degrees below zero for a week, but warmed up this weekend and the weather was delightful for snowmobiling.

Other than the new litters, not much has been going on in HONBC. Some members are making plans to attend the Sportsman's Show in Minneapolis to publicize our breed. Other members are planning to attend a symposium on handling and grooming, also in Minneapolis. This should prove profitable to all the club members. Plans are underway for our "B" match to be held in June. The show committee has already been working on a site and other essentials. Watch this column for more information. Some members are probably hibernating, but not all of them. See you next month!

THE LIBYAN DESERT DOG (continued)

A. "Yes, we have never had any trouble with that. I might add that the females are very smart. They only come in season in the late fall, so the puppies will be born in the cool. It's extremely hot in El Uotia in the summer."

Q. "They only come in season once a year?"

A. "That's right. Isn't that great!" Much laughter.

Q. "Are these dogs rather noisy?"

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A. "Oh, yes. They bark constantly, but this is what the natives want them to do. That's their job. To bark! Libyans by nature are afraid of dogs so anyone with a good barking dog is pretty safe."

Q. "Is there anything in particular about these dogs that you find odd?"

A. "Yes, the high mortality in male puppies. Our last litter was all males but one, and only the one female lived. In the litter before that, all the males died and the two females survived. This seems to be consistent."

Q. "Are the males always black?"

A. "No."

Q. "What are their tails like?"

A. "All are different. Some are nearly as curly as your dog's, and some are straight."

Q. "What are their ears like?"

A. "Mostly up straight like your dog's, but some have a bend in the tip."

As a parting comment, Mrs. Tisdale added: "I find these dogs so delightful that I would love to take some home with me."

Neither the Colonel nor Mrs. Tisdale had heard of the Basenji before.

RAMBLIN' WITH GRANNIE GREEN (continued)

buy a car, an appliance or item of furniture with a similar guarantee. Breeders must come to the realization that dogs are now a business, a competitive business and we are faced with the same practices of other businesses, some legitimate, others not. It is my contention that sincere breeders do not concern themselves with the competition of dog factories. It is my belief that those who purchase dogs from such sources are prospects we would not consider in selling our dogs.

What disturbs me more than dog factories are those
 (continued on page C3)

HERE AND NOW

Neat white feet and wrinkled brow,
 Marks the Basenji of here and now.
 Large bright eyes, long, clean limbs;
 Black button nose, strange dog whims.

Red, black or tri-colored hair
 Trespass on what's his - who would dare!
 Cat-like washing, can't get him wrong;
 No canine bark, just a yodeling song!

Neat white feet and wrinkled brow,
 Marks the Basenji of here and now.

- - - Wendy Zoehfeld

KNOW YOUR JUNIORS (continued)

fellow Junior Handler to all of you who haven't had the chance to meet him, and those who have met him will be glad to hear of the exceptional handling he has been doing with his Basenjis in both Junior Handling and in conformation. Oh yes, his name is Mike Work and he lives in Willow Street, Pennsylvania. Mike owns three Basenjis; his first is CH. MAKILA MOTANE MOKE which he got from the Walkers. Mike finished her himself and did a very good job, as well as doing his first showing in Junior Handling. Since then he has a male, RYDER'S AFRICAN DIAMOND that he has been showing this past year and has six points, so far. Mike also bred his first litter, out of CH. MAKILA MOTANE MOKE, sired by CH. REVEILLE RE-UP, and Mike's third Basenji is a male that he kept from this litter, named SIRUS HALFBACK, and the first time he was shown at six months, he took a major and Best of Winners at the Philadelphia Kennel Club Show, the first of December. He occasionally shows a fourth Basenji, KHAJAH'S GAY CALYPSO, owned by his parents.

Mike's show wins in Junior Handling from April 1969 to October are: 3 firsts, 3 seconds, 4 thirds, 4 fourths and three times Best Junior Handler. This is really a good record and if you see him in the ring, you can understand why as his Basenjis are trained to perfection which must mean a lot of time is spent behind the scenes.

RUTH'S ROUNDUP (continued)

I enjoy Joyce Mullis's comments on Libya. When I saw the word, "Malish" it took me back to Egypt 22 years ago, last November. In Cairo the word means "never mind" or "so be it!" When we arrived in Cairo it was almost at the beginning of this Arab-Israeli war. Our apartment was on a small island called, "Zamalak" and near an army camp. Our windows and house shook when those guns went off, and we did not know either just what would happen to us. I remem-

POETS' CORNER



"Ma, that 'pussy cat' is eating our lunch!"

- - - Peggie Peek



BE(AU) JABBERS

March is the time,
 With spring still away,
 We wish for those bright sunny days,
 When winter, though present
 Is still held at bay
 While spring, ever welcome, delays.

- - - Carolyn Forse



"I'm telling you, get off my back!"

- - - Ruth Shannon

MY BASENJS

Basenjis, boy they are the best,
 With shining eyes and big white breast.
 With dabs of white on tips of their tails,
 With fur like fast ship's beautiful sails.

Basenjis have secrets of their own,
 Most of them still remain unknown.
 They do funny things like sit on the ice,
 It may seem silly, but to them it's nice!

My Basenjis give me the greatest times,
 And I wouldn't sell one for a trillion dimes.

- - - Linda Schack, age 9

RAMBLIN' (continued)

who neither have the knowledge nor the desire to breed quality dogs. They are the backyard breeders. They own a registered bitch and dog (bought as pets). This is their foundation stock of poor quality, sometimes barely recognizable as a representative of the breed. The whelps are ever less desirable. Yet they're advertised locally and sold in competition to reputable breeders in the area. They have one purpose in breeding, a source of income!

SHOW REPORTS (continued)

WB, LULAROY'S FOREVER ROO ROO,
 Bremen Kennels (1 pt)
 BB, CH. LULAROY'S RUBI OF BLAZE,
 L. & M. Strauss
 (reserves not reported)



"Us 'Senjis 'toilet' train ourselves!"

- - - Norma T. Bell

ber Jim being stoned on his way to work one morning after a raid. He was in a Jeep and as they threw stones cried, "Yehudi! Yehudi!" The Arab's word for Jew. I wrote to my folks and told them, "Now I know who 'Yehudi' is, I married him!" We met some very wonderful Arab people and still correspond with some of them. Then her story of the "Ghibli," only in Cairo or Egypt they call this storm the "Khamsine." No matter how tight one closed the doors and windows, inches of sand blew in and it's so hot! When Joyce gets back to the states, we must get together and compare notes. There's a fascination about this part of the world. Our darling PENNY came to us in Egypt. I have a pup now that reminds us so much of PENNY.

The shows are starting again in California. Support them! Let the public know of your Basenjis. I'll see you all there!

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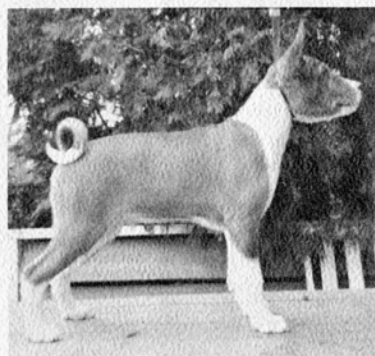
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