



The Border Times

THE NORTHEAST BORDER TERRIER CLUB NEWSLETTER

NBTC at Saratoga, 1987

The weather for our second two-day NBTC winter meeting at Saratoga Springs NY was, as the weathermen say, "seasonable". Saturday's sun and white snow cover turned the gilt-and-bright-paint Victorian resort into a set for a million-dollar ski movie, and the 9:00 A.M. Border judging left lots of time for us to crunch around starring in it, booted and scarfed and mittened, before the afternoon NBTC meeting. Everyone, especially the BT's, seemed in good spirits, glad to meet again after the long holiday break.

The meeting rang with news of a crowd of events and supported shows once spring even begins to show up. One of these is the **New England Terrier Club Match** in Worcester on the third weekend in March. Also announced was the **Connecticut Terrier Club's Terrierama IV** in Old Greenwich, Connecticut on April 5. (See separate notices on page two for specifics).

Bob and Ruth Ann Naun had used the walkin' round time to rent a VCR for the afternoon meeting, so we saw interesting BT videos. After lots of business, including the exciting NBTC Specialty proposal for 1990 (see separate story), the meeting ended with an enthusiastic (and very impressive) performance of utility level obedience commands by Nancy Hiscock's ten-year-old Strider. That dog can do everything but serve coffee, and obviously loves to do whatever Nancy suggests. Wish my BT's were like that!

By NBTC Dinner time (at the Ramada Renaissance Hotel, our show and meeting and accommodations site), a light but determined snow had begun. By Sunday morning, the chief conversations were reports on weather events, including one about a 23 car pileup and another about a threatened closing of the interstates. Since BT judging was scheduled for 2:30 PM on the Sunday, a number of people decided to leave early, while it was still possible. Those of us who did stay lounged around cheerfully in the set-aside Border Terrier area of the grooming room which the Ramada required all dogs to stay in, chatting and drinking coffee and taking out dogs for "exercise". "Doesn't it seem to you we've spent the whole day walking in and out of this place? Thurmond Grove said, putting coat, scarf, and gloves on himself, and a lead on Gillie, for the

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NBTC proposes to host 1990 Border Terrier National Specialty

NBTC President Jean Clark announces proposal at Saratoga NBTC meeting

NBTC president Jean Clark announced at the NBTC midwinter meeting that NBTC has officially proposed to The Border Terrier Club of America that NBTC host the Border Terrier National Specialty at its traditional site, Woodstock, Vermont, in 1990. As at present, the Specialty show would be held in July in conjunction with the Woodstock Dog Club All-Breed show, one of five shows on the New England Circuit.

"The Border Terrier Club of America voted that the National Specialty shows after 1988 be hosted by the BTCA-recognized regional Border Terrier club offering the best proposal for holding the Specialty in their region that year," Jean noted. "This new plan provides an opportunity for a regional club to present the BTCA National Specialty in its own region--- California or the midwest, for instance-- if the club has the interest and ability to do it.

"We feel that the NBTC, the New England regional Border Terrier club, in addition to an appropriate site, has the experience and interest among its membership to present the BTCA National Specialty successfully. I hope our proposal is successful, and that all NBTC members will offer to assist the show committee when the time comes."

In 1986 the BTCA presented a Specialty in California in addition to the national Specialty at Woodstock. The 1989 and 1990 Specialty shows will be the first national Specialties to be presented by regional Border Terrier Clubs

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NBTC OFFICERS,86--87

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 Sec/Treas: Kristina Dow

**SUNDAY, MARCH 22, 1987
 NEW ENGLAND TERRIER CLUB
 MATCH**

\$100 for Best in Match, Best Puppy, and Best in Sweeps; \$25 for BOB, \$15 Best Puppy in Breed. Judges: Woody & Chris Wornall (California), classes; sweeps.

National Guard Armory, 701 Lincoln St., Worcester, MA

Puppy Sweeps Judging: 11:00 A.M.
 Regular Classes: after Puppy Sweeps
 No AKC champions, sweeps or classes.

Puppy Sweeps: 3--6, 6--9, 9--12 months.
 All breeds judged together, classes divided by age only.

Regular Classes: 3--6, 6--9, 9--12 puppy,
 Novice, Bred-by, & Open adult

ENTRIES: \$5; \$2 puppy sweeps

SUNDAY, APRIL 5, 1987

**Connecticut Terrier Club TERRIERAMA IV
 GREENWICH CIVIC CENTER
 HARDING RD, OLD GREENWICH, CT
 OBEDIENCE AND CONFORMATION
 MATCH**

\$5 first entry; \$4 each add'l entry. Entries taken until judging begins. Judge for Borders, Aussies, Irish, & others: Mr Terence Childs, Barn Hill Kennels, Woodbury, Connecticut.

JUDGING BEGINS 10 A.M

DIRECTIONS From West & East:

CT TURNPIKE TO EXIT 5. Turn RIGHT onto POST RD (RT 1) to first light, then turn RIGHT onto SOUND BEACH AVE (under Ct. Turnpike) and proceed 4 /10 of a mile to traffic circle. BEAR RIGHT onto LADDINS ROCK RD and almost immediately turn LEFT onto FORREST ST. Proceed 3/10 of a mile to HARDING RD and turn LEFT to Civic Center.

A-HUNTING WE WILL GO

Jean Clark and JoAnne Frier-Murza went to England this year to see Crufts and do some BT visiting. One of the great advantages in living close to Logan airport is the chance to meet Jean on her return from her annual visits to G.B. and find out how it all went. This year's visit was a very satisfying one, Jean reported. Kate Irving had a fine entry of Borders at Crufts and added to the lustre of Ch. Brannigan of Brumberhill's fame by making him BOB. The two NBTC members had a chance to meet with a number of English breeders and breeder-judges, including Walter Gardner, and to visit with Madelene Aspinwall [Farmway]. Jean and JoAnn also followed the Morpeth hunt and afterwards visited with the the hunt's "terrier man", Billy Campbell..

The all-day hunt flushed no fewer than six foxes, Jean said, and involved "14 1/2 couple [29]" hounds as well as the mounted hunters and the terriers. The effort was long and hard enough to require a change of horses for the Master, the Whip, and the Huntsman . By end of day, the Whip's spotless white britches, dark boots and pink coat were soaked and mud-covered, as were the hunters and the hounds, because one fox went to ground under a high river bank, and another in a multiple-entry culvert. Jean and JoAnn followed the hunt in the terrier man's landrover, getting out to observe closely whenever the opportunity offered.

One of the vivid details of the event for me is Jean's account of the hounds. "They are amazingly disciplined," she observed. "The whole pack --as many as thirty or forty hounds--immediately responds to the order to keep back, to follow, to stop, or to go in another direction ."

At the end of the long hunt day ,from a viewing stand in the freshly- washed- down 20' x 18' cement- surfaced feeding room, Jean and JoAnn watched the hounds being fed. "After hunting, the hounds are fed huge chunks of fresh meat carcasses, bones and all," Jean said. "Any sort of meat is used so long as it's good, fresh meat, not from a diseased animal. On the day we were there, the meat was from a sheep that had had an accident and from a pit pony who had broken a leg and been destroyed. The hounds eat all together, gnawing away with a will, and generally getting on well together . When the huntsman tells them the meal is over, they leave the carcasses for their kennel without a protest."

Immediately after, they sat down with the terrier man to a dinner of game pie. Jean said, "I ate just the pastry crust and a couple of the bits that looked the most like chicken." --KM

THE NORTHEAST BORDER TERRIER CLUB

MEETING MINUTES

January 17, 1987

The meeting convened at approximately 2:00 p.m. Twenty-two members and two guests were present, including all Board members.

All Board members were also present at the last Board meeting (November 22, 1986), held in conjunction with the Springfield, MA shows of that weekend. The report of that Board meeting included the results of the Constitution and By-Laws ballot:

- 64 members at time of vote
- 4 junior members (not eligible to vote)
- * 60 voting members
- * 34 voted to accept the Constitution and By-Laws
- * 2 abstentions
- * 24 did not respond

Other Board business included the acceptance of five new members, one single and two couples:

Norm Baker
P.O. Box 674
Browns Mills, NJ 08015
(609) 893-3796

Karen & Thurman Grove
187 Willow Creek Rd
Trumansburg, NY 14886
(607) 387-6251

ENADRON

Cheryl & Robert Johnson
520 East 86th St
New York, NY 10028
(212) 288-3298

It was also noted that the Board is in the process of organizing an annual calendar of the activities to be sponsored/supported by the Club.

The report of the Treasurer was unanimously accepted:

\$ 728.28	reported 9/21/86
-60.00	Montgomery hospitality
+60.00	4 couple memberships
+10.00	1 single membership
<u>+309.00</u>	renewals
\$1047.28	

The President noted that fewer than ten people attended the Montgomery Hospitality sponsored in October. Those who did not go home were drawn to a number of competing activities. Next year's Hospitality will be held in a member's motel room in order to keep expenses down.

Other old business included the Board's decision to donate trophy funds to the New England Terrier Club Match (March 22, 1987). That Club had requested a \$25 donation for "Best Adult" and \$15 for "Best Puppy". Any Hospitality to be sponsored in conjunction with that match will be held in a member's motel room.

The Town & Country Lodge in Stowe, VT has approved our use of a 100'x100' flat

agility fun-course is planned, with different individuals providing different agility items.

It was unanimously accepted that the Club's trophy donation for Best Opposite Sex at the BTCA's Specialty would be named the "Henry B. Mosle Trophy".

The President reported that the Club has written to the BTCA's Board of Directors to apply to host the 1990 BTCA Specialty in conjunction with the Woodstock show in July (1990). The BTCA has in turn indicated that our proposal needs to include greater detail than already provided. A call for volunteers to work on any such Specialty yielded the following offers from those present:

Norm Baker	James Lenahan
Elizabeth Blake (trophies)	Camilla Moon
Jean Clark (show chair)	Catherine Murphy
Kristina Dow	Margaret Pough (trophies)
Beverly LaPointe	

Others wishing to volunteer should contact either Jean Clark or Kristina Dow.

Fun Match Chairman James Lenahan reported that the first or second weekends in April were currently under consideration. The Aczels and the Frier-Murzas have both offered outdoor space. The Mid-Hudson Kennel Club building (Rhinebeck, NY) was to be researched as an indoor location. Concern was expressed that an indoor match might limit us to conformation and obedience classes only which, in turn, might limit the number of pet-owner participants. Interest was expressed in having non-regular (fun) classes as well as regular classes. Interest was also expressed in having regular classes run in accordance with AKC Plan B sanctioned match rules. Elizabeth Blake volunteered to assist with the match planning.


New business commenced with the decision to make our copy of the AKC Border Terrier slide show available to Club members for a \$5 rental fee, basically to cover postage costs.

Future trophy donations were discussed and the following shows scheduled to receive donations: Windham County, Northwestern Connecticut, Montgomery County, and Springfield.

The Connecticut Terrier Club's Terrierama is scheduled for Sunday, April 5. The BTCA supports that Border Terrier entry with a trophy for Best of Breed, and it was decided that the NBTC would donate a trophy for "Best Puppy". Additionally, the NBTC will purchase 50 BTCA pamphlets for distribution at the Terrierama, with the NBTC's Secretary/Treasurer address noted on the pamphlets. Also, Kristina Dow will pursue the possibility of providing a go-to-ground demonstration sometime during that day. JoAnn Frier-Murza volunteered her expertise with regard to that demonstration.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 2:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Kristina B. Dow
Secretary/Treasurer

NBTC AT SARATOGA, continued

fifth time. Beth Blake and Jennie Chambers whiled away some time in a hands-on grooming discussion featuring Remy while my Captain watched uneasily from half a foot away, hoping it wouldn't be his turn next, and Jennie's Heather, safe in her picture-perfect coat, sat by. Marg Pough was busy getting us all ready for the *next* breed book. Conrad, the Aczel's bullmastiff, who had been made an honorary Border for the day, snored peacefully in a crate so huge it soon became the communal BT coffee and equipment catchall table. Camilla Moon's little Fergie, ten months old and unworldly, whom we'd had to sneak into the room like an illegal the night before (we'd arrived too late to put him in the locked grooming area) watched large-eyed, trying to understand. Tina Dow, Borderless today, helped everyone, and sadly reported after an intense cruising that there was nothing at the concession stands she really wanted to buy. True Northerners Pam Dyer and Nancy Hiscock looked unimpressed with the weather that was developing. The rest of us were acting cool, but sneaking peeks out of windows pretty often.

By the time judging was over, the snow was serious stuff, and a good handful of BT people decided--not unhappily--to spend the night. It felt to me like a snow cancellation day in grammar school. After a good bit of huffing and puffing getting ourselves to another hotel (the Ramada wouldn't let us have dogs there except on the show days) two cheerful carfuls of us slid down the main road for dinner. "Skidmore College is near here someplace." Ruth Ann Naun informed my carful as we rocked and slithered along in the Aczels' big International. Peter Aczel, in front, peered out into the snow as Bodil straightened the car out of a fishtail for the tenth time and caught up again with Norm Baker's crowded Maxima, in front. "Skidmore," he said in a dark voice, "is a well-named place."

Dinner that night was probably very good--"good, but not as good as at Lillian's." Norm Baker pronounced it. I really don't know--I was too busy laughing and listening to dog stories to notice.

Winners for both days were as follows:

1/17/87, Glen Falls KC, Judge: Billings

BOB: Ch Ryswick Remember Me [Blake]

BOS: Ch Wondrland's Rohan Nutmeg [Johnson & Fiorino]

BW: Clipstone Bombax Dandyhow [Dyer]

WB: Jansim Lothlorien Bracken [Depierre]

1/18/87, Saratoga KC, Judge: Downing

BOB: Ch Wondrland's Rohan Nutmeg

BOS: Thamesville Classic [Baker & Arnold]

BW: Bandersnatch Conundrum [Pough]

WD: Cheltorian Michael at Brumberhill [Moon]

--KM

NEWS NOTES

The leadership of AKC, for the present at least, has abandoned its unpopular drive to remove the post of AKC President from election by AKC delegates.

According to BTCA member Laurie Toffelmire, breeding dogs by using fresh shipped semen instead of shipping animals by air to different parts of the country is provoking interest among breeders in the California area. The method is AKC approved, Laurie notes. . .

Vets all over the country are reminding their clients that it's time for booster shots and heartworm checks. . . .

Another Border sighting: two or three seconds of a BT picking up a stick and sitting on command, on *Sesame Street* . . .

The complete list of BT winners at the '87 Crufts Show (London) is:

Dog CC & BOB:

Ch Brannigan of Brumberhill.

Bitch CC: Ch Nettleby Mullein.

Reserve CC Dog:

Ch Dandyhow April Fool.

Reserve CC Bitch:

Clipstone Tea Rose of Stonekite

The word is that the motels in the Worcester area which will accept dogs are heavily booked for March 21-22, the Friday and Saturday of the New England Terrier Club "Extravaganza Weekend" & Match. You may have to scramble some if you plan to stay overnight and haven't booked space yet

Connecticut Terrier Club's Terrierama IV will present a seminar on the Fox Terrier and some AKC videos on their match day, April 5 (the video of our favorite breed is scheduled for 1:00 P.M.).

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