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## BASENJI CLUB of AMERICA

June 12, 1952

Dear Club Members:

You will be glad to know that the membership in the Basenji Club of America is growing each month and that the members and officers are cooperating to make 1952 another successful year.

Since the last bulletin the following new members have joined our club: Miss Phyllis Elliott, Malta, Illinois; Miss Virda L. Stewart 2572 Kemper Road, Shaker Heights, Ohio; and, Mr. Lubert H. Scisco of 1850 Bridgen Road, Pasadena, California. Miss Elliott is training her Basenji in obedience; Miss Stewart's Basenji is piling up championship points and Mr. Scisco has a pair of Basenji puppies. We welcome these new members and hope they will enjoy the club. I would like to suggest that new members, as well as older members, send me their Basenji's activities that I might publish all interesting news in the bulletin.

It is good to be able to report that plans for the Basenji Specialty Show are showing excellent progress. As you all know this specialty show will be held at Rye, New York, on Sunday September 7th in conjunction with the Westchester Kennel Club Show. Mr. Marlin E. Ashby of 675 Baltimore Pike, Springfield, Penn. is chairman of the bench show committee and he will gladly furnish any desired information desired on this show. Mrs. John Cadwell of Wexford, Penn., is chairman of the trophy committee and the following members cooperated with her to bring in this excellent trophy list for the specialty show:-

Best of Breed - Leather travel alarm clock, offered by Barbara & Deborah Wescott

Best of opposite sex to best of breed - S. P. Trophy offered by Mr. & Mrs. Leo Shadic.

Best of Winners - Ronson table lighter offered by Mr. & Mrs. John Cadwell.

Best of opposite sex to best of winners - Stainless steel ash tray offered by George L. Gilkey.

Winners dog - Scotch cooler (Thermojug) offered by Mary McWain

Winners bitch - S. P. Trophy offered by Mr. & Mrs. Marlin E. Ashby.

Reserve winners dog - S. P. Trophy offered by Mr. & Mrs. Alexander Phemister

Reserve winners bitch - Zippo Lighter offered by Mr. & Mrs. E. M. Vaughn.

Puppy dog class

- 1st - S. P. Candy dish offered by Mr. & Mrs. Marlin E. Ashby
- 2 - Etched Alum. snack tray 9½" (Basenji head) offered by Mrs. Muriel Maltbie
- 3 - Resco show lead offered by Virda L. Stewart
- 4 - Leather training collar offered by John Cadwell

Puppy bitch class

- 1st - S. P. Candy dish offered by Mr. & Mrs. Marlin Ashby
- 2 - Etched alum. snack tray 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ " (Basenji head) Mary McWain
- 3 - Resco show lead offered by Virda L. Stewart
- 4 - Leather training collar offered by Mabel Cadwell

Novice dog class

- 1st - 13" etched alum. tray (Basenji head) offered by Andrew McWain
- 2 - Cigarette box with Basenji head plaque offered by Mary McWain
- 3 - \$3.00 cash offered by Ralph & Joe Lepper

Novice bitch class

- 1st - S. P. trophy offered by Mr. & Mrs. Alexander Phenister
- 2 - S. P. trophy offered by Mrs. Roberta Jenkins
- 3 - \$3.00 cash offered by Ralph & Joe Lepper

Bred by exhibitor dog class

- 1st - \$5.00 cash (if red and white color) offered by Norman Slater
- 2 - Silver dish offered by Alan Skinner

Bred by exhibitor bitch class

- 1st - Cig. box with Basinji head plaque offered by Alan Skinner
- 2 - \$3.00 cash offered by Ralph & Joe Lepper

American bred dog class

- 1st - Record book (Basenji head) offered by George L. Gilkey
- 2 - 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ " etched alum. tray offered by Eloise Gerry
- 3 - Leather trophy offered by Andrew McWain
- 4 - \$3.00 cash offered by Ralph & Joe Lepper

American bred bitch class

- 1st - Basenji head plaque offered by Charles Schreiber
- 2 - 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ " etched alum. tray (Basenji head) offered by Eloise Gerry
- 3 - Leather trophy offered by Andrew McWain
- 4 - \$3.00 cash offered by Ralph & Joe Lepper

Open dog class

- 1st - Alum. Jewtone tumblers offered by Mrs. E. A. Westlin
- 2 - Crystal flower bowl offered by Barbara Wescott
- 3 - Leather trophy offered by Mabell Cadwell
- 4 - \$10.00 cash offered by George & Ronald Watt

Open bitch class

- 1st - Stainless stell ash tray offered by Mr. & Mrs. John Cadwell
- 2 - S. P. butter server offered by Eloise Gerry
- 3 - Record book with Basenji head offered by Mrs. Muriel Maltbie
- 4 - \$10.00 cash offered by George & Ronald Watt

Highest scoring Basenji in obedience

- 13" etched aluminum tray with Basenji head offered by L. C. Emerick

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The judge for this specialty show will be Mr. Earl Lounsbury who has an excellent reputation for ability. Westchester Kennel Club is doing everything possible to make our show a success. They have appointed Miss Phyllis Rosentour to handle all publicity for the show. She, in turn, has invited our breed to share

in the publicity over television, radio and material to be used in rotogravure and magazines. Any club member is invited to contact her in regard to any ideas he or she might have to publicize our breed. Pictures with human interest appeal such as one with playful puppies, small children with dogs and action pictures would be ideal. These pictures must be glossy prints of 8x10 size. Miss Rosenteur should be contacted at 136 East 28th Street, New York 16, New York. All material must be in Miss Rosenteur's hands by the last week in July.

Mr. Halle, Secretary of the Westchester Kennel Club, has personally arranged with the Westchester Country Club to provide our club with accommodations for holding the club meeting after the Basinji judging - and at no cost to the club. Last year the Country Club's charge for such arrangements was \$20.00, which your officers considered too expensive for our treasury. At this meeting we had the largest gathering of club members ever to attend a meeting with a number of members as far away as the middle west and another from Canada. We hope and expect for an even greater attendance this year.

Congratulations are in order - many club members are doing excellent show winning, and I understand from reliable sources, although the owners have neglected to notify me, that there are a few brand new champions. Miss Deborah Wescott of Clinton, New Jersey is proud of her New Champion, Phemister's Sandoa. Mr. George Watt of Tonawanda, New York, has also a brand new champion, a female, whose name I do not know. We here at Kingston have two new champions, Phemister's Gold Charmer and Phemister's Massumba, who has since been sold to a family in Florida and will be shown there. A number of midwesterners have Basenjis who have acquired a number of championship points: the Weavers from Wichita, Kansas; the Kimmerlings of Humbolt, Kansas; Charles Schreiber of Alton, Illinois; the Cadwells of Wexford, Pennsylvania; and, the Vaughns of Indianapolis, Indiana.

George Gilkey from Merrill, Wisconsin has had three of his Basenjis on the Texas circuit, and Mrs. Byers from California has been showing two of her females. Mrs. Roberta Jenkins from Oak Ridge, Ontario, Canada, who owns Canadian Ch. Abakaru of Blue Nile is well on her way towards owning an international champion. One of our youngest and newest club members, Betsy Robertson of Ipswich, Mass., is an enthusiastic exhibitor and plans on showing at our specialty show.

No doubt some of the new club members are unaware of the many many months of preparation that go into planning a specialty show. Already plans are being laid for the 1953 Basinji specialty show. So that each club member will have sufficient time to express his opinion on the 1953 plans, your president, Mr. Phemister, appointed Miss Mary McWain chairlady of a committee to bring in a report offering recommendations for the 1953 show.

The following recommendations have been offered by Miss McWain and her committee and she asks that these recommendations be published in this bulletin, and that comments and additions to the list be made by any club member on or before August 15th so they can be correlated and made ready for a final decision at Rye in September.

Quote:

"First, as to judges. It was decided (by the committee) that any judge who had previously judged our specialty not be invited again this coming year so that all might have an opportunity to show under someone different. The following were suggested as being acceptable to the committee: Le Pine, MacQuown, Reeves and Dr. Snyder.

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Other members may have judges whose names they would like to submit. If so it must be done within the specified time or no complaining later on. Any names will have to meet with the approval of the club as a whole at Rye.

We felt that a list of judges should be given to the show giving club, letting them make the final selection of one who would best fit in their complete judging schedule.

Location: that was a tough assignment for we are limited to New York State and the time element enters in. We finally selected Utica whose show comes the end of June or the first of July. That would mean that practically all puppies would be old enough to be shown. Utica is as central a location as can be found - on route 5 through New York State. The club is an old and established one and we are sure would be very cooperative. Others were mentioned, but it was felt that the clubs were not in good enough position financially and might not be holding shows another year.

One member suggested that we hold a June show, forgetting puppies, but it was out-voted by the rest of the committee. Any comment on this? I feel that puppies mean a greater entry and should be shown if possible." --Unquote.

- Miss Mary McWain, Chairlady of the committee

All suggestions should be sent to Miss McWain, of the Daily News, Batavia, New York. Give each point full consideration - the time, the place and the judges - then if you have any suggestions, write Miss McWain immediately.

A number of club members have not paid their dues for 1952. This is no doubt an oversight, but will these members please send their dues to the club treasurer, Mr. Leo Shadic, Box 142, Philmont, New York?

Mr. Joe Lepper of Noblesville, Indiana, is now in Korea and would appreciate hearing from club members. His new address is Pvt. Joe P. Lepper, U. S. 55171476-HQ Co 2nd Bn 15th Inf Regt. 3rd Inf. Div. A. P. O. 468 c/o P. M. San Francisco, California.

Mrs. Frederick Herman, a club member residing in Germany with her army lieutenant husband and young son, recently purchased a male Basenji puppy from Miss Phyllis Cask of England. The Hermans hope to return to America next year and resume their Basenji activities.

Sincerely yours,

*Mary P. Phemister*  
Mrs. Alexander Phemister  
Secretary

*Dear Mr. Lepper -*      *knows of*  
*A copy of the proposed amendment to you and*  
*me were sent to the A.I.C. directly after I received*  
*them. Have no reply as yet. M.M.P.*