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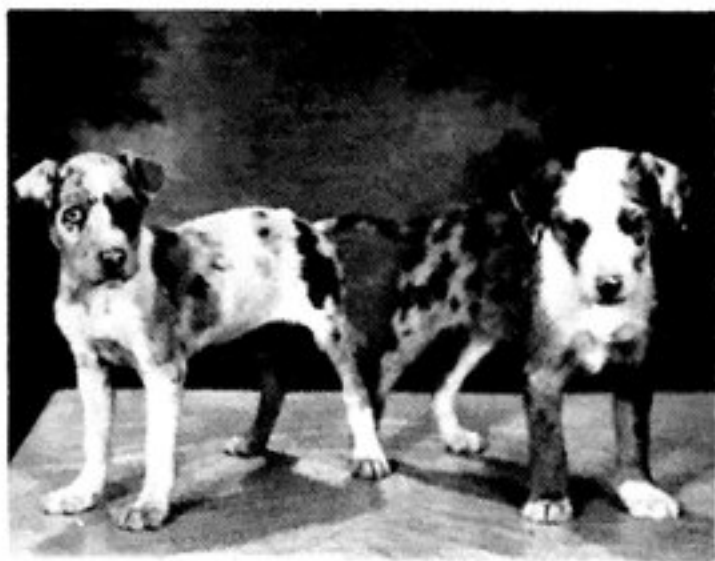
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The ARF also Registers New Breeds of cattle, horses hogs and will carry on the work of any breed that needs help because the ARF does not want any breed to perish from the earth. The ARF develops new breeds but we also help old breeds to carry on the work that others have started.

EDITOR'S PAGE

I wish to thank all my many friends and customers for their many letters and Christmas Cards. I have tried for years to get someone to work on the magazine without having to be Editor myself and I would like to explain to everyone that we now have help to put out the Animal Research Magazine.

As the Foundation has many visitors from all over the USA and foreign countries, last summer one of our visitors asked me when the next edition of the magazine would be printed. All I could say was that I didn't know because my wife was sick and my secretary's mother was in the hospital (she had been in the hospital for a couple months and there was little chance of her getting well; after five months, she passed away). I had plenty information to put out a magazine with over 100 pages if only I had someone to put it together.

As I had helped Carol Lee Alberts on information about the English Shepherd and Catahoula Leopard Stockdogs for her book, she offered to return my favor by helping me with the Animal Research Magazine. I just sent everything that would do for publication to Carol Lee, and she put out the last edition by herself. As we wanted to get the magazine out by Christmas, we had to rush everything.

Carol Lee counted the words on a page of the printed magazine and then typed each page with every word that went on it for the Christmas Issue. When the printer saw her copy, he was so thrilled with it, that he just reduced the type 40% and the last edition of the magazine with the fancy type, was really Carol Lee's copy for the printer. She never once thought about the printer taking a picture of her copy.

I want everyone to know that if it hadn't have been for Carol Lee, there would not have been any Christmas Issue. I also want everyone to know that the Christmas Issue put new life into the magazine. As Carol Lee was in Chicago and I was in Duinlan, Texas and she had to have the copy for the "Editor's Page", I asked her to write it. I had explained to her what we were trying to do and what she said, expressed the truth about the Foundation. Personally, I am happy to have Carol Lee as Associate Editor of the ARJ Magazine!

I always wanted the magazine printed in sections with everything in the right place but I have never had the time it took to do all that extra work. What I would do was to carry to the printer, enough material to put out two editions. I put on top, what I wanted printed first and let the printer stop when he filled 20 pages. Just before the Sheep Dog Trials, the printer was rushed for time and put out an edition with only 16 pages, but we had 24 pages printed in the Christmas Issue.

Personally, I feel like the greatest achievement of 1965 is Carol Lee Alberts becoming Associate Editor of the Animal Research Magazine. There is one thing for sure - before there can be any Stodghill's Animal Research Magazine, someone has to work and Carol Lee is a willing worker and she has that personal interest anyone has to have. Now my greatest desire is to make the Animal Research Magazine big enough to pay Carol Lee more money than she is making so she can work full time on the magazine for the Animal Research Foundation.

Another cog in the wheel of progress,

is Rod Berry's letter from Boggabilla Post Office, New South Wales, Australia. There are 16 handwritten pages of his letter that we are printing in the next edition for everyone who wants to know the true history of the Australian Shepherd. A family by the name of "Simson" originated the breed in Australia. Then several men of the Simson Family moved to California just before the Gold Rush and it was here in the USA, that these dogs were named the "Australian Shepherd".

Another letter from Australia which is a great help to the Animal Research Foundation is from Mr. Dick McNally of Casino, New South Wales, with a chart and instructions for Cattle Trials in that country. These Cattle Trials are put on using Kelpie dogs and the same Kelpies that win Cattle Trials also win Sheep Dog Trials against Border Collies. Mr. McNally is interested in working his Kelpies at the ARF Sheep Dog Trials against Border Collies and he is also in-

terested in working the same Kelpies in the Cattle Trials which will be held by the Animal Research Foundation in October 1966.

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Progress Report

The first week in February, California took the lead over Texas and Louisiana for first place in the number of Catahoula Leopards registered and even Florida is ahead of Louisiana.

Alabama and Georgia are ahead of Tennessee in the number of English Shepherds registered.

Oklahoma is still in the lead on Australian Cattle Dogs and Oregon and California are running a race on Australian Shepherds.

The ARF Magazine is going to hundreds of Border Collie breeders and the Foundation Breeding Chart is much in demand in foreign countries.

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"Our Working Canines"

PART II

The Importance of Stock Dog Trials

By Carol Lee Alberts

Much has been said about the working merits of the stock dog, but words alone cannot fully describe his remarkable abilities. It is for this reason why the need for working dog trials has arose as a means of actively extolling his virtues.

There is a great span of years between the time the dog was first employed as a shepherd and his use today on the many farms and ranches throughout the country. For his use has widened and today's stockman has recognized an ever growing need for their work. But he must not be satisfied with employing the herd dog alone; he must strive for better dogs with more highly developed working skills.

The only way in which this can be accomplished, is through extensive breeding programs and more competitive trials which will advertise and elevate the herd dog's value. No doubt the farmers of England and Scotland foresaw this need when they began forming their sheep dog associations and working dog trials. No doubt too, it was through these means by which so many good stock dogs have come to us from across the sea.

But this progress should not cease! Breeders here in this country should constantly strive to keep the various strains pure by weeding out inferior stock, neither breeding to such nor selling them for herd dog use. Breed associations too, should exercise caution when accepting applicants for registration by checking into their bloodlines and testing their working ability. It is only in this way, that justice can be done to those who have taken such great pains in developing and maintaining a pure strain of stock dogs. In this way too, a well represented breed will be able to gain merit, due both to purity of strain and working skill.

The majority of exhibitors at our bench shows concentrate more on conformation when planning their breeding programs, than they do on working ability. However, I do believe the many obedience trials in these shows, provide a stepping stone in proving

a dog's worth, for beauty plus brains is a most delightful combination. The sportsmen have recognized this value and have provided gun dog trials in conjunction with many of the bench shows we have today. Why not the stockmen also, whose dogs have so much to offer to so many people?

An interesting factor though, is that besides proving the ability of the herd dog, sheep dog and other stock dog trials, also provide an excellent opportunity for new stockmen to learn how to train and handle their dogs. For a dog may possess the bred-in ability to herd stock, but what makes him highly efficient and an asset to any ranch or farm, is having a handler who is able to guide and control his work. Both the dog and handler work together as a team - a true pastoral art and a most effective way in which the requirements of a job can be met and well carried out.

So it is we see that the working dog trial has a three-fold mission - (1) Providing the incentive to establish breeding programs by which to hold and recreate desired working abilities, (2) Educating the stockman as to the proper handling of his dogs, and last but not least (3) Proving the skill of the herd dog itself.

All three of these are of much importance when dealing with the utility dog and the service he performs. The value of these working dog exhibitions, both entertainment-wise and even more important - educationally, is well worthy of praise and so are the numerous stockmen and sheep and cattle dog enthusiasts who have been encouraging these trials down through the years. It is because of them that there is a growing concern to breed better dogs with better working abilities, so let us see more of these trials and even more people who are genuinely interested in furthering this cause!

(Continued)

"Be On Your Guard"

By Sandra Ransom

During the fall of the year, some people had planned on Christmas money that you and your dog provided them. These people of whom I speak, are called "Dog-Nappers" and they will go to a great deal of trouble to get what they want.

They look around to see what is available. If they see something they like, they attempt to take it--sometimes succeeding and sometimes not. If not, however, then they do not give up easily, especially if the dog is very good looking. They watch your comings and goings and where your dog may wander. Then when the time is right, your dog is their's!

In the Augusta, Georgia area, 25 dogs disappeared in 2 months just as though they had never existed. All were grown dogs and were very attractive. People with missing dogs, reported this to the Humane Society, Sheriff's Department, their veterinarian, and put ads in the Lost and Found column in the local newspaper (newspaper ads do invite pranksters so you need to be prepared for this). Some even had it announced over the radio yet the dogs were not returned through these methods, but at least the people were alert to the "Dog-Napper's" activities.

Evidence slowly drifted in to shed some light on the stolen dogs. Reports came that a paneled truck had been spotted just across the river in South Carolina, painted to resemble our Richmond County Dog Catcher's truck also in our area in the early morning hours. Later a couple of dogs returned home, some bearing ropes around their necks and with red mud on their feet. One dog that returned, was restolen a week later. Sheriff's Department and a local pilot's club were alerted and checks were being made along river banks and other places where red mud was known to be prominent. Still no evidence of dogs penned up or being transported in large quantities had been found.

It is expected that these dogs that have been stolen, have been shipped

to other states for resale. As a citizen, fellow dog owner, or a prospective dog owner (who is determined to know what he is buying), you can help break up this dog-napping ring or at least make it difficult for them to steal. Report large quantities of dogs being transported in your area, especially grown dogs. Get the vehicle license number. Be on the alert for an unfamiliar person selling good looking grown dogs. Remember, these people are smart--this is their business. Be cautious - their explanation may sound too good to be true.

I am listing the description and departure date of two dogs in hopes that perhaps someone may be able to give us a lead. These are both registered dogs, the last one being my own:

- 1 - English Shepherd (male)-3 years old with tan trim--tan on the front feet and around the eyes. Disappeared on October 25, 1965
- 2 - English Shepherd (female)-1 year old Sable (reddish tan) with white ring neck and chest. One side of the face is solid white, has white feet and white on the tip of the tail (small black patch of hair on the upper part of the tail). Disappeared on August 27, 1965.

(Both of these dogs liked to "grin")

Any information on the whereabouts of the dogs listed above can be sent to me. Here's hoping that the dates of departure will help you to remember when a truck load of dogs may have been spotted in your area. Any and all leads will be greatly appreciated!

Editor's Note: If any of our readers are able to supply information pertaining to these missing dogs, please write to:

Sandra Ransom
414 Martha Lane
Martinez, Georgia
30907



"The Sheep Dog"

The little lost lamb in the thicket
Cried out for his mother to hear,
But only the wind knew the plight he was in
And "Old Shep", who in search, drew near.
But the wintry skies grew cloudy
And a blizzard bound both to the snow;
They struggled that night on their homeward flight
But their true fate no one ever will know.

For when spring had come to the country,
No trace of their journey was found.
But believe if you will, though stranger still
Some tell of yet hearing the sound
Of a dog crying out in the evening
As though calling his master to come,
And the faint-hearted bleat of a little lost sheep
In the woodland at setting sun.

True to the instinct that leads them,
True to their masters' strong faith,
True to the lamb that ran from the band
To search for, no matter the fate.
Such are the loyal Scotch shepherds
Who faithfully herd night and day,
Watching over the sheep, in their care to keep,
And retrieving the little lost strays.

Who can doubt the truth of this tale?
For yet stranger than this have occurred,
And the dogs of the Isle have gone many a mile
To answer a cry they had heard.
And thus did "Old Shep" that winter
When he laid down his life for the fold,
Like the pride of his kind have done many a time
On the Highlands, so long ago!

...Carol Lee Alberts



"Comments from Finland"

There are 17 kennel circles in Finland and the Finnish Kennel Club. The largest of all these is the Uudenmaan kennelpuri (Newland's Kennel Circle) of which I am secretary. The kennel circle itself, consists of all the clubs which are at the Uudenmaan puri and I must send letters to these clubs telling of news including test and show results which are at my circle.

We do not have any Collie Clubs that specialize in Collies as workers. Here in Finland, we use them just as Dobermans, German Shepherds, etc., that is, they are not used as cattle dogs and we have no clubs that hold sheep dog trials.

Our dog show is known as the International and it consists of about 1500 dogs. Many of these are also Swedish and Danish breeds in addition to our own breeds from Finland.

I myself have two dogs, both of which I handle in the ring. One is a six year old Dachshund and the other is a Welsh Corgi pup that I brought from London's Cruft's Dog Show last February. Her name is Lees Golden Eagle and she is a very promising show dog. But my Dachshund "Joni" is already rather well known here for he has won Best of Breed at our show and also has certificates and many first prizes.

I have studied English only several years in school and have now forgotten some of it but am learning more by reading the newspapers and English Dog issues. I am very interested in Stodghill's Animal Research Magazine and read it almost every evening. I have now translated from

Letters to the Editor

English into Finnish, many articles on the Catahoula Leopard Stockdog and will later translate material on the other breeds. My collection of translated information on the Catahoula is very interesting and many of my friends want to read it as they too, have wondered about these dogs and their style of work.

I received my copy of the Christmas Issue the day before yesterday and have already read it from cover to cover. It was a magnificent issue at this time. I like the section "Letters to the Editor" as I have learned from it many new things and found many questions and answers that have taught me to better understand the problems of dog owners in your country. You said that you hope it can be published more often. That would be wonderful as this is the best magazine of working dogs I have ever read!

I very much enjoy this American publication and am becoming more interested in all stockdogs and the work they are able to do. Mr. Stodghill has opened to me, a new world of cattle dogs and I thank him for his very kind letters and his magazine.

Eeva Lehtinen
Helsinki, Finland

Note: The above are excerpts that were taken from various letters written to me by Miss Lehtinen. It was through Mr. Stodghill, with whom she was first in correspondence, that I became acquainted with her and the result are many common interests and a growing friendship through her interesting and enjoyable letters. -Associate Editor

"A Pleased Subscriber"

Dear Mr. Stodghill,

I have read with interest, several articles in your magazine and I am so very pleased with "Brit's" introduction to Dogdom as one of the best since you found out that he is a great grandson of your English Shepherd "Old Bozo". I like the job your printer did to get that highlight on his flank and back which really sets him off just right.

You know, if I had my life to live over again, I would devote a large portion of it to your Catahoula breed to use for hunting and working cattle. I have never seen one, but your articles about what they can do with cattle and hogs seems almost impossible. It would be fastenating to watch them work. From what you say, when they go after a cow, they don't mean maybe!

I would like to have about six more copies of your magazine and if you will advise me what they cost, I will send you a check to cover the expense.

With kind personal regards and best wishes for your good health and prosperity in this New Year 1966, I remain

Joseph E. Brown
Alpharetta, Georgia

"Retirement Hobby"

Dear Mr. Stodghill,

I am inclosing applications for registration on six puppies and I will have one more to send in as soon as the owner advises me what it will be named.

I live here on the farm most of the time since I have retired. My wife teaches high school in Jackson, Mississippi and will also retire to the farm. I keep all puppies here until they are six weeks old, then I take them to Jackson for my wife to sell.

When we have a litter to sell, we advertise in Jackson papers on Thursday through Sunday and in most cases, we sell most of the pups the first weekend. If we have any left over, we repeat the ad the following weekend and usually, all will be sold then. If my wife can get a

prospect to hold a pup while she explains its qualities, she seldom misses a sale.

Mrs. Latta was not a dog lover before I got my first Shepherd pup, but since then, she has become devoted to them and will not sell a pup until she is assured that it will go to a good home. She often drops by buyers' homes to see how the pups are being treated.

Judging from the names given some of the dogs in this litter, the owners feel that they must be of royal blood.

If it is possible, I would like to have these papers by Christmas. You can mail them to me at my Jackson, Mississippi address so that I will be able to deliver them while at home for a few days. Thank you.

S. R. Latta
New Albany, Mississippi

"Future Registrations"

Dear Mr. Stodghill,

I just received the latest copy of your magazine and always enjoy reading your articles and the letters from dog owners around the country.

I am inclosing a pedigree on a female Catahoula Leopard that I think should be registered. Although "Rag-Doll" is not



"Rag-Doll", Catahoula Leopard owned by Donetta Peters of Davie, Florida

quite a year old, she is making a real good cowdog. She has been bred to "Golden L Jimbo" from West Palm Beach. "Jimbo" is owned by Sonny Lambert and is

registered in the Animal Research Foundation. I did know his registration number but have forgotten it now. Anyway, he is surely a good dog and so is "Rag-Doll"; their pups should be fine also.

Donetta Peters bought "Rag-Doll" from Windel Cooper in Belle Glade, Florida when she was six weeks old. She did not know about registering Catahoula Leopards until I told her about your Foundation. Windel has always kept good cowdogs and worked them on his ranch as well as at the Livestock Auction Barn that his father runs.

"Rusty", "Rag-Doll's" sire, belongs to the Underhill Family which is one of the oldest cattle families in this part of the country. They keep a sure enough good stock of old time Leopard Dogs.

My dog "David" #606 Vol. 6, is surely making a good dog and everyone who has bought pups from me out of that litter, is very proud of them.

I bred "Frankie" #575 Vol. 5 to "Golden L Jimbo" but she was hurt in the cow pens about a week before the pups were due and aborted them. I was surely sorry this happened but will breed her back to him when she comes in heat again.

By the way, Donetta Peters is very anxious to get her "Rag-Doll" registered and also the pups when she has them, and I am sure she is waiting to hear from you as soon as possible.

Well, I guess that is about all I know for now, but I am going to try and get some of the really good Catahoula Leopards around here registered with you as they are an outstanding breed and surely should be recognized.

Winston Clark
St. Lauderdale, Florida

"Canadian Fanciers"

Dear Mr. Stodghill,

"Duy Texas" you sent us, is doing quite well and she loves the baby very much. It is a heart warming sight to see little Irena smiling at her.

There has been some hold-up in the development of the films but as soon as I get the photographs, I will send them and the write-up about our dogs to you.

I doubt if you receive the Ford Truck magazine "Clues", but on Page 14 there is

a story about Catahoula's bear hunting. Thinking you might be interested, I am enclosing a copy of this magazine.

Mrs. B. Brownscomb
Nixon, British Columbia, Canada

Editor's Note: Be sure to read the "Catahoula's in Canada" article in this issue, by Mrs. Brownscomb.

"An Interested Reader"

Dear Friend Tom,

I received the latest issue of your magazine; always read each issue over many times and the pictures in this copy were very nice. The reason why I ask for 2 copies each time, is so I could have the pictures for my book that I have been working on. I have articles on the Leopard Cur also. I was so hoping you would publish a book like you wrote about in the Winter 1962 edition.

The Catahoula you call "Hollywood" is a beauty. The dog you sold Bob Osborn looks a lot like him ("Flash").

I am going to have an ad in Dog World for Catahoula's also Chinese Crested. I have not been raising any Chinese Crested dogs for two years but now I have eight tiny babies that I am raising with an eye dropper, feeding them every four hours. So I have been a little busy.

If I get any answers to my ad in the magazine, I will let you know.

I was so hoping to be able to make another trip down your way. Also to the Catahoula Lake country in Louisiana. If things work out, I am going to.

I am doing everything I can to show people what wonderful dogs the Catahoula's are for guard dogs.

Now back to the magazine. I forgot to ask you how often you are going to publish it. Also, what are the charges to become a life member of the Animal Research Foundation?

Please send me another copy of the magazine as I only received one.

Well Tom, I know this is too long a letter as I know you are very busy so I will close for now. Please answer when you have time.

Ruth Enriquez
North Hollywood, California

ALL ABOUT - - - English Shepherds



"Bobbiani", "Binbo-Shep" in the background and "Jimbo" owned by Mrs. Thomas Hall of Prattville, Alabama

"Jimbo Breeding"
By Mrs. Thomas B. Hall

Our English Shepherd "Bobbiani", is a dog that has only one aim in life - to please her master. We raised her for breeding and she has never been trained as a cow dog, but we have used her with "Jimbo", whom we purchased from Mr. Tom Stodghill, when stray cows come into the yard. The first cow she heeled kicked her, but "Bobbiani" went right back and kept heeling until that cow started moving with the herd. We have used her enough to know that she is a good heeler and so were her mother and grandmother before her, both dogs I raised.

Now the last puppy Mr. Stodghill registered for me was a 9-month old cross between "Jimbo" and "Bobbiani" (I have advertised my puppies "Jimbo Breeding" a number of times in the past and will always be happy to register them as such), and was one of the prettiest shepherds I have ever seen. He

had been raised by a little boy but I took him back when his daddy went overseas. This dog had never driven a cow until the man who bought him, put him with two trained dogs. Three days later, the man came by and told us he had carried the shepherd to the river that day and by nightfall, he wouldn't take even \$200.00 for him. What he liked was his longer legs and his speed. When the river rises, one needs to move fast and this dog with his longer legs and his mother's energy, can do the job in a hurry.

We think one of the finest dogs we have ever raised comes from a cross between my old "Kitga" and "Jimbo". She is perfect in color and is an excellent watch dog and cow dog and will heel the mule if you tell her to. She has not been able to breed in the past, but we have hopes now that she will and we are planning to breed her back to "Jimbo" to see what we will get.

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*"The Difference Between the
English Shepherd and the Border Collie"*

Since the Animal Research Foundation has received several requests to explain the difference between the English Shepherd and the Border Collie, we will clarify this for anyone who is unfamiliar with these two breeds.

First of all, color is one of the easiest ways to tell one from the other for the Border Collie is basically black with white markings. The English Shepherd on the other hand, is usually black with tan markings on the face, chest and legs. In almost every litter though, there will be a few pups with a touch of white on the belly and sometimes a white ring neck; this is called the Tri-color. Even the sable or lemon gold coloring (as in "Lady Buckskin" on Page 12) may appear, but these

If I could sell enough puppies, I would like to have a "Bozo" female but because of poor breeding in this section and therefore low prices or give-aways, I do not feel that I can afford it. This is a hobby with me; I enjoy the dogs and love to fool with the puppies. We have built proper breeding pens and have a good set-up for breeding and my puppies have the best of care and all the love they need.

Shepherds for the most part, are very hard to find.

However, color is not the only way in which one may distinguish between these two breeds; it is their style of work that even more so sets them apart.

When it comes to work, the Border Collie's style of a pause, working the animals by "eyeing" them and creeping up close, is a most distinguishable method. But the English Shepherd has an altogether different style of work for he is strictly a heeler and is a natural-born drive dog. After cows have been penned several times by the English Shepherd, they should go to the barn more easily.

This breed is also a good varment dog and will tree almost anything. They are much used for coon and squirrel and in some cases, are known to even retrieve ducks off the water with very little training. In addition to these qualities, an English Shepherd as a watch dog and pet is most desirable. Needless to say, this is indeed, a very versatile breed!



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Border Collie News



Four Border Collies "Doc",
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"ARF" Care in Border Collie Registration"

The Animal Research Foundation Registration Office was set up to register new breeds of cattle, hogs and other livestock including Texas Pleasure Cowhorses; it also pioneered the registration of the English Shepherd and the Catahoula Leopard Stockdog.

At first, the Foundation did not plan to register Border Collies, but as so many owners and breeders of these pure bred dogs had expressed a desire to be affiliated with the organization, the Border Collie Division of the ARF was established.

Not all representatives of the breed are accepted though, for each must pass inspection before their ARF registration is approved.

A good "eye" and "pause" is a must for a Border Collie, and as with any other organization of pure bred working dogs, a prospective applicant cannot be registered unless he possesses these essential qualities. However, if both the sire and dam have passed inspection and are ARF registered, then the Foundation will also register their pups on

the proven working ability of the parents.

The Foundation never changes the number of a registered Border Collie. If a dog is registered in Scotland, the ARF will use the same numbers that dog had first received when entered in the records of that particular organization.

If a sire of a litter of pups was registered in one association and the dam in another, the Foundation would still use the same numbers of each association. It is only the pups or any other dogs that have never before been associated with any registry who will be registered with the numbers given them by the Animal Research Foundation.

This way it is much easier to keep a record of each dog's present as well as passed registrations, which is much more accurate and complete, and more easily located when such information is desired.

The goal of the Foundation is certainly not to overpower any other registering organization, but simply to give assistance when assistance is requested.

In effect, the ARF performs an important service and in addition, it also provides Educational Breeding Programs which have been established in order to help others develop good working stock dogs.

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"More About Sheep Dog Trials"

By Tom D. Stodghill

Recently I received a letter from Mr. Les Bruhn of Bodega Bay, California. He is a member of both the Redwood Empire Sheep Dog Society and the California Sheep Dog Society and has been showing Border Collies on the West Coast for some time now. His letter, in which he said that had he known sooner of our Texas Trials he may have come down to attend, has prompted me to write further on our October 30th events.

I have found that Mr. Bruhn was not the only person who felt this way. Eleven men from Ohio and Illinois would also have been here had trials not been scheduled in their area at the same time. This is why I feel it necessary to set a specific annual date (or dates) for these events so everyone will be able to plan ahead in order to attend.

The long range plans for the 1966 Fall Trials has been set for the last weekend in October - the 29th and the 30th.

Although many others would have come if they knew the date in advance, the first trials were still a great success. This has given the ARF the encouragement to continue and to plan for future events which will, no doubt, pave the way for many more.

But with the first in anything and especially instock dog trials such as these, there are always improvements to be made in order for exhibitions to be more effective and more interesting to the spectators. Holding a two-day event would do much to achieve this goal!

It is our aim that future trials will be divided into two separate days. On the first day, elimination runs will take place - male against male, female against female; and this

"Quality is essential to continual success" and it is this high quality of pure bred Border Collie registrations which must be maintained in the Animal Research Foundation!



Here is Mr. Ed Reynolds' Border Collie "Cowboy" herding cows. Two selling points for the white Border Collie for use on dairy cows are that they do not bark when moving the stock and a white dog can be seen at a greater distance.

will be free to all who wish to see the dogs work.

But on the second day, admission will be charged and champion male will compete against champion female to determine the Grand Champion Border Collie of the Sheep Dog Trials.

There will also be a show to entertain the audience where Catahoula Leopards will work thirty or forty wild hogs and wild fighting bulls.

Afterward, Border Collies will work several cows and baby calves and then the Catahoula will pen the same cows and baby calves in order for everyone to be able to distinguish between the working style of the two breeds.

As you can see, sheep dog trials and other stock dog exhibitions are not only interesting and exciting to watch, but they also are educational and we all have learned a great deal from our first trials. It is because of this, that everyone now has a clearer picture of what is expected of their dogs and what they are actually able to do. They also have a better understanding of a sheep dog trial and because of this first ARF competition, I am sure future events will have even greater attendance and be even more successful than the last, but we must all work together to make this possible!

Catahoula Leopard Stockdogs



"Laredo" and "Jvy Texas"

"Catahoulas in Canada"

By Mrs. Bruce Brownscombe

When we received "Laredo" as a wedding gift, he was unregistered but we acquired the correct numbers of his dam and sire and in due time, registered him with the Animal Research Foundation.

As a weaning pup, so fat he could only waddle, "Laredo" had his nose to the ground. My husband Bruce, often takes him on hunting and fishing trips and I remember on one occasion when he was about eight weeks old, he became so excited over a trout, he fell out of the row boat in the middle of the lake. After circling us, he headed straight for shore until we called him back.

Another incident came one night when "Laredo" accompanied Bruce who went fishing two miles down the Fraser River. It was then I heard the dog's yodel and Bruce later told me that two friends had come down the trail to his fishing spot and "Laredo" began barking about fifteen minutes before they arrived. A game warden certainly could never slip up on a fellow helping himself to the salmon run with a net if the poacher had a Catahoula Leopard for company!

Besides being a potential bird dog who

has pointed for some time and then flushes the birds from the grass, "Laredo" is also an excellent all-around stock dog. This spring, he held a young heifer at bay in the cattle lane until I came to shut her in. That afternoon her calf was born, so big it had to be pulled! And one day when our neighbor's fifteen hogs visited the chicken yard, "Laredo" went to work on them. He barked and dashed at the lead sow and kept circling the bunch until he had them across the hayfield back into our neighbor's pasture. He also used the same technique on a silly old hen nesting under the pickup. When Bruce pressed on the truck's starter, "Laredo" went to work and escorted her back where she belonged. The old hen never even got excited!

We liked "Laredo" so much that we decided to try raising dogs. So in July, "Jvy Texas" from Stodghill's Ranch, was shipped to us Air Freight; we have two pups ordered even though "Jvy" isn't bred yet.

She and "Laredo" are almost identically marked and together, whether in play or the serious business of herding, they make a beautiful sight causing many comments.



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Recently I had the opportunity to watch our two dogs work a cow trapped between the kennel and the fenceline. I turned them loose and went back in the house. Shortly afterward, the cow was running across the ridge and down to the barns escorted by the dogs. Their teamwork was also displayed when our neighbor's two dairy calves bothered us. I lined them out the way they had come and "Jvy" fell in behind and kept them moving while "Laredo" took the lead. I had no trouble getting them home again!

Though they are different in temperament, both "Laredo" and "Jvy" are the same about food. Even raw meat is never wolfed down; they take it gently, carry it away and taste it carefully. "Jvy" won't eat in the house. If she can carry it, she takes it out on the lawn. If she cannot, I must take it to the kennel for her.

Neither of the dogs will let a stranger touch them until we first receive them as friends and even then, "Jvy" only endures a pat; of the two, she is the better watch dog.

But as far as companion dogs for children are concerned, both are excellent pets. "Laredo" loves kids, even though Bruce's six and seven year old nephews get pretty rough at times. When they do, he just slips away to adore them from a distance. On fishing trip, Bruce's five year old cousin had a constant companion and guardian and

even though the boy drags him out of the house by his tail, "Laredo" never whimpers or growls at him.

"Jvy" loves children too and is more at ease with the baby than "Laredo" is. At seven months of age, she was as protective towards the baby as I have ever seen and wouldn't let the horse come too close to the carriage where our month old was sleeping.

On Thanksgiving Day, we had our parents in for dinner. Zane, my four year old brother, was playing outside with the dogs when we heard them start barking.

We looked out the window and saw the three clambering for footholds on the bushy ridge behind our home. Both dogs had treed a house cat and were waiting excitedly for Zane to shake it down out of the poplar sapling.

A little later the boy came in, huffing and puffing, cheeks rosy from the cold and the excitement. It was then he told us a long windy tale about the "bear cub him and his huntin' dogs had treed up there on the hill"!



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"The History of the Australian Shepherd in the Northwest" By Mrs. Roy E. Cotton

My Uncle Earl acquired his first Australian Shepherds in either 1917 or 1918. At the beginning of World War I, he started raising sheep and tried out many breeds of herding dogs but was not entirely satisfied with any of them. In order to upgrade his sheep, he made a visit to either Montana or Colorado (one person is positive it was Colorado and yet three others are equally positive that it was Montana) on a sheep-buying tour. He returned to his ranch in Eastern Oregon with two choice rams and several small, grey merled dogs...Earle was really set up in the sheep business now. At no time was he ever dissatisfied with his Australian Shepherds. In fact, some of the family said that he continued to raise sheep only because it gave him an excuse to keep and raise Aussies!

Since I was born in 1917, it took me until 1921 to decide that the Aussie was the best dog in the world! From then on, I remember that I did nothing but pester Earl with questions about them. He had tried his best to gain all possible information on them too, and I believe that he knew more about the breed than almost anyone else.

According to the best available information, Earl originally had two males and three females. All were reasonably unrelated so from this small beginning, he was able to stay within his own lines for some time. All five dogs were dark grey, heavily flecked and blotched with jet, shiny black. They had deep rich tan markings on cheeks, legs and sides of the chest. White appeared on the breast, stomach and feet. All had large, soft ears that "broke down" just above the base. They ran from about 19

to 21 inches in height...and both males and females had natural "half-tails", that is, the tail was only half the natural length of the normal tail in other breeds.

The reason that I am able to describe these so accurately is because this was the type of Aussie that Earl always strove to breed and he would never sell one of this type when they appeared in the litters of pups. He said that they were identical to his original stock.

Earl had a summer range up in the mountains for his bands of sheep and always sent his Aussies up there with them as he found that they were extremely gentle with ewes and lambs but could also handle the most aggressive ram and were superb at protecting the flocks from any type of predatory animal. The Aussies would back down from nothing that threatened the flocks. Since at that time, Eastern Oregon had cougars, bears, bob-cats



Cotton's Blue Bobby, registered Australian Shepherd. Mrs. R. E. Cotton, 6108 S. E. Stark Street, Portland, Oregon 97215.

and coyotes (none of which turned down a potential lamb dinner), the little Aussies had their work cut out for them.

He also used the Aussies at the home ranch to cut and hold ewes due for lambing and sheep in for shearing. His older retired dogs stayed at the ranch and herded milk cows, range bulls and hogs; and, of course, were very effective guard dogs for the women and everything on the ranch.

Over a period of years, other ranchers bred their females to his good studs. Most of these other dogs were the black Border Collie with white ring necks, feet and tip of the tail. Through this cross, many good all around herding dogs appeared. In the first generation cross, the pups invariably looked like the Border Collie but carried a bit more white; some had blue mixed in the white. Several ranchers bred these blue-factored pups back to the Australian Shepherd studs and ended up with reasonably pure-bred (in appearance and temperament) Aussies.

Eventually, Earl's bloodlines began to "run out" in that he was coming up with diluted greys with far too much white. These dogs were very good looking and still excellent herding dogs but were obviously well on the road to albinism. So he bought up a few of the Border Collie-Aussie crosses and bred them into his own lines. By severe selecting, he entirely eliminated the albinism and came up with some very good dogs. However, his one complaint was that the strain was now showing a bit too much mildness in disposition. He had become too used to the very bold and aggressive temperament of his original dogs.

Early in the 1920s, Earl acquired two males from Australia. I believe this would be about 1924. I don't think he imported them himself. As nearly as I can remember, he said he had a chance to buy this pair and that they cost him a small fortune. I do know that he definitely said both had come from Australia and I imagine that some returning G. I. from World War I had brought them home with him and had either found them too hard to handle or needed the money. Both were trained cattle dogs but Earl found them far too aggressive for sheep; both were mature dogs, not young by any means. I can easily describe these



Australian Shepherd heeling a cow

dogs as I remember them well...I disliked them as they were the only dogs on the place that Earl would not let me touch. Since I had never been afraid of any dog, I was really annoyed to find two that I couldn't handle, so I remember them fully as well as I remembered my favorites of the ranch.

These Australian dogs were absolutely identical to Earl's best Aussies with the exception of color and size. They were a bit smaller than his males. These would be about 19 inches while Earl's males went 20 to 21 inches at the shoulder (I am positive that not one of his Aussies were under 18 inches). The ears were the same; large, soft and breaking low. Both had very short, natural bob tails and had blue (not "China") eyes. The one big difference was the color. The coats were the correct length and texture...that is, medium long, harsh and weather-proof with a thick, wooly under-coat...but they were dark grey with flecks and speckles of shiny black. No spot of black was larger than a half-dollar. They had the rich tan markings and white on breast and on all four feet.

Earl kept these dogs for some time and bred them to every female on his place and to most that he had sold, and then he sold the Austral... dogs to a beef rancher who needed dogs to handle range bulls. To the best of my knowledge, Earl never had to buy or use any other lines from then on to the time of his death. That one cross

into the American lines that Earl had bought originally, put his dogs right back as he wanted them. He again had a dog that could do any job and do it well and was neither too aggressive or too mild. All of the pups sired by these two and out of Earl's lines, were again dark grey and mottled and merled with black just as his original dogs had been.

This brings us to the final analysis on the Australian Shepherd...and I think that it verifies what Earl had been able to find out. He maintained that the drop eared, natural bob-tail had come from Australia originally but that the breed was overly aggressive. The Aussies had been crossed in with the mostly black type of Border Collie and then selectively bred to hold the blue merle coloring, medium bold and aggressive temperament and our American version is the result. Earl always tried to breed for the natural bobs and could not part with those he had. He laughingly told me once that "I guess if the pups can't grow tails, they grow brains!" but he wasn't laughing when the chips were down as he had found that the average natural bob was able to out-work and out-think any of the long tailed dogs that he had kept and trained. By selective breeding, his litters were arriving with a high percentage of very short natural bobs and the others were with tails only 1/4 or 1/2 the normal length of other breeds.

Since Earl's death many years ago, his dogs have been scattered throughout the Northwest and I honestly don't know if anyone has attempted to keep and selectively breed the Aussie in recent years in this area.

Through second-hand knowledge, I have a bit more information on the Australian Shepherd. Some friends of mine who both know a great deal about all breeds of dogs and are especially fond of sheep dogs, visited Australia about four years ago. They had only a limited amount of time there and had no chance to run down the information given them, but I will put it down just as they were told.

They had made an inquiry about the Australian Shepherd from a rancher who breeds Australian Heelers and Kelpies.

He didn't know what they were talking about until they described our breed to him. Then he exclaimed "Oh...you mean the little Stubbies!" This rancher gave them all the information that he had, but unfortunately, it was very little. The Stubbie had, at one time, been very popular but had fallen into disfavor as other herding dogs were developed and at the present time, he knew of only one cattle rancher who was still raising them.

He also gave my friends a very accurate description of the two dogs my uncle had purchased that had come from Australia and, in addition, said that the Stubbies he knew of, had always had very short natural bob tails or, at the most, the tail was less than 1/2 the normal length.

This rancher did not know of any other name for the breed other than the "Stubbie" and said he hadn't the slightest notion of where the breed had come from or what breeds were used to create it. He said that the only thing he is able to figure is that the Stubbie was a true mutation that would breed to the same type at any possibly opportunity.

He also told my friends to beware of any dog that looks like a Stubbie but is red speckled in color. He said that the red denoted a cross into the Dingo (Australian Wild Dog) and such a dog was never to be trusted alone with any kind of livestock. However, he said that he hadn't heard of any red Stubbies in over 20 years and that any he had seen were all some shade of grey speckled with black and with various amounts of white and tan markings on the face, chest and legs.

One last bit of information on the Australian Shepherd in the Northwest - a friend of mine who is an Indian and was raised around sheep dogs as a child, said that his family had Aussies for several years. He bought some from the Agricultural Division of the University of Idaho several years ago. He and his family bred their dogs from these lines for many years but here again, they have all been scattered and the bloodlines lost. If anyone who reads this, has the



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I have nearly 28 dogs overseas in America and South Africa and have more

time and lives near the University, please see if anyone is still in that Division who remembers these dogs or has access to any information on them. If so, please send this information either to me, or to Mr. Stodghill.

Note: The above article had necessarily been written in the First Person, as the dogs of whom Mrs. Cotton writes, were all dogs that she had seen or that had been described to her by people whose knowledge she has no reason to doubt. Picture on the front cover is Mrs. Cotton's "Blue Bobby".

exports (sheep dogs) going to South Africa. I have written to a man in America and he is interested in the red pup "Nugget". I quoted \$375.00 clear at Casino. The freight costs nearly as much but I think Air Freight is the quickest.

Next week I will have a litter of pups by "Monty", the dog that is in the film I have on my Kelpies working stock. He is a great worker and is getting great stock.

I always pick a dog on working ability, not lovely colours or nice names, and Americans previously have imported the show Kelpie, not the working Kelpie.

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