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Upcoming Events

- ◆ AKC/EUKANUBA NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP
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Clinging to life -- and whatever floats

A trapped resident tries to save her dogs and herself as the Chehalis keeps rising

Wednesday, December 12, 2007

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The Oregonian Staff

Nancy Punches stared at the turbulent water. Swollen by back-to-back storms, the Chehalis River had filled its channel and fanned out over a wide bench of rain-soaked earth. But, on that soggy Sunday evening, it was still far below the rural road running by her house.

In her six years of living 13 miles west of Chehalis, Nancy had never seen the river flood. Neighbors who'd long lived along that stretch of the Chehalis told her they'd never seen it cover the road, not even in '96, when it flowed over its banks and closed Interstate 5. Surely, this storm was no worse.

Reassured, Nancy turned back home, counting on a restful night's sleep.

An energetic 74-year-old American Kennel Club judge with rosy cheeks and long silver hair, Nancy bred prize-winning American foxhounds, a champion bloodline she'd been perfecting since the mid-1970s. She lived in a double-wide manufactured home set up high on eight acres of pastureland.

That Sunday night, Dec. 2, she checked on her dogs and a 5-week-old litter of six puppies and went to sleep. She rolled out of bed Monday morning and looked out the window.

Brown water covered her yard, submerging her Chevy van up to its engine block. Even if she could get the van started, water had reached the road and blocked any possible escape.

She slipped on her knee-high rubber boots and ran to the kennel. Just outside the door, in ankle-deep water, she snatched the puppies and hustled them inside, the mother dog in tow. She locked them in her bedroom.

Back outside minutes later, the water was up to her knees. No time to lose. She leashed five dogs and tugged them toward the house. Water lapped at the stairs. The current rushed harder, and the dogs struggled against it. Nancy managed to pull them inside, locking one in the bathroom and the other four in a utility room.

She looked outside again. Water rushed by,



carrying logs the torrent had ripped free. The flood had stranded 10 more dogs in kennels. She'd had some of them for years and most were champions. She looked at the rushing water, by then impossibly high and fast, and reluctantly shut the door.

Nancy busied herself putting photos and breeding records higher, hoping to keep them dry. The puppies yelped, and she pulled open the bedroom door.

Water boiled through the floor. Two puppies already had drowned in 6 inches of water. She put the other four in a plastic clothes basket on the bed. She turned Ebbie, their mother, loose to fend for herself.

Priss, one of her oldest females, barked in the laundry room. Nancy rushed to find the dogs scratching at the washing machine, trying to climb on top. She helped them up and cleared food cans off a shelf, setting one of the dogs on it. She closed the door and headed back to the bedroom through waist-high water. The mattress floated among the bedroom debris, the four puppies safe for the moment.

Nancy, certain the river would stop rising, methodically plotted one move after another. The icy water had soaked her jeans and fleece. It filled her boots. She took some comfort that her shivering helped keep her warm. Tired of swimming, Ebbie climbed onto the dining-room table. Nancy again checked on the puppies. The mattress was sinking. She put them into a plastic foam shipping container. It floated!

Nancy climbed onto the kitchen counter. The water climbed higher, covering her chairs. Over the window ledges. Then up the blinds, one horizontal slat at a time. Furniture tipped and sank. (cont .page 3)

Minutes of Board Meeting September 26, 2007

The Board meeting was called to order at 7:45 PM by President Harry Miller. He welcomed Kelly Rea to the board.

Roll Call Attendees:

President- Harry Miller
Vice President- Kelly Rea
Treasurer/Secretary- Julie Lux
Directors: Dennis Pincheck, Fran Menley, Robert Smith
Absent: Paul Crary, Ann Whitfield, Nancy Punches

Minutes of the last meeting:

The minutes of the May board conference call were read. Bob Smith made motion to approve, Fran Menley seconded and the motion was carried.

President's report:

The President reserved his report for specific committee discussions.

Secretary's report:

The secretary did not have any new business to report at this time.

Treasurer's report:

The treasurer reported an opening bank balance of \$16,390.85, with an income for the year of \$7,593.97 and expenses of \$6,022.66, leaving a balance of \$17,962.16. Bob Smith asked the reason for the high expenses and the treasurer responded that the greatest portion were 2006 specialty expenses.

At the direction of the board, the Treasurer will research interest rates and invest \$5,000 of the club's funds in a Certificate of Deposit.

Report of committees:

Show Committee- Show chair, Dr. Smith, thanked the membership for their assistance and for excellent entry, the second largest in club history. He also expressed thanks to Connie Petrick for her good work handling trophies this year. Dr. Smith explained the reasons behind the 2 pm judging.

Dennis Pincheck reported that he is working on the updated specialty guidelines.

Hunt/Field Committee- No report from this committee.

Judges Education Committee- Confusion regarding a judges' education seminar was discussed and it was noted that Polly Smith will provide packets of information and hold ringside mentoring during the specialty judging.

Breed Standard Committee- No report from this committee.

Recognition/Statistics Committee- No report.

New Members- Julie Lux read two applications for membership from Phyllis Snell and Elizabeth Hope Wright. Bob Smith moved to accept the applications, Dennis Pincheck seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Unfinished Business:

Newsletter—The editor position was discussed as there is confusion regarding whether Kelly Leonard indicated that she may resign. Julie Lux will ask Kelly if she plans to continue. If she does not, Kelly Rea volunteered to produce the next two issues. (Secretaries Note: Harry Miller later spoke with Kelly Leonard and she informed him that she will no longer serve as editor.)

AKC Invitational—The board discussed Meet the Breeds at the annual AKC Invitational and the fact that Nancy Punches has not fulfilled her commitment to handle the booth. Julie Lux will contact AKC to see if Nancy has confirmed for 2007 and, if not; ask that the AFC be removed from the list of clubs that will participate this year.

Mentoring—Discussion was held regarding the question of the mentoring and clarifying the requirements for being an AKC mentor. The board discussed the fact that the terminology is misleading and that AFC members are encouraged to tutor aspiring judges, hold kennel visits and other activities to educate potential judges. The only thing they cannot do is sign the form, but this does not limit their ability to educate. It was also noted that with six approved AKC mentors, the AFC actually has a higher percentage than other clubs. Fran Menley moved to accept guidelines as developed by P. Smith, Kelly Rea seconded and the motion passed.

Club Medallions—Kelly Rea has a source for medallions and will check pricing on behalf of the club.

New Business:

Tracking Event—Julie Lux read a P&L statement from Morgana Landrum for the first AFC tracking test to be held November 11, 2007 in Clermont, Kentucky. Kelly Rea moved to approve the funds to support the event, Bob Smith seconded and the motion was approved.

Specialty Trophy—Harry Miller requested approval to purchase enough plaques to fill the Snell Trophy so that they will all be consistent. Bob Smith moved to approve, Julie Lux seconded and the motion passes. Bob Smith asked about securing a smaller trophy to be given to the Best of Breed winner each year. Kelly Rea will check on pricing of an engraved small bowl or stirrup cup.

Miscellaneous Business—Julie Lux read a letter from AKC requesting blanket approval for local specialties. Since the club currently has not regional clubs, it was voted to give five years approval for any clubs gaining AKC approval to hold local/regional specialties.

The board voted to decline advertising in the AKC Invitational catalog or to provide sponsorship for the AFC CHF golf tournament. Bob Smith moved to make a \$100 donation to the Louisville Kennel Club Legislative fund to help fight legislation restricting dog ownership in their city, Dennis Pincheck seconded and the motion carried.

Standing Rules—Discussion was held regarding establishing Standing Rules for the club. Kelly Rea moved to begin compiling Standing Rules to be posted on the AFC Web site. Many seconded, motion carried.

Standing Rule 1: Approval of Expenditures on Behalf of the Club
All expenses incurred on behalf of the club in excess of \$25 are subject to prior written approval by the board. Receipts must be submitted to the club treasurer for reimbursement of expenditures of any amount.

Nominating Committee—A nominating committee was named consisting of Kelly Rea, chair, Ron Lux and Morgana Landrum with alternates Wendy Galbraith and Connie Petrick.

2008 Specialty—Julie Lux read a proposal from Bob Smith to hold the 2008 national specialty in conjunction with the Middle Peninsula Kennel Club cluster in Virginia Beach, Virginia. The classes on Friday, October 31, 2008 would be designated as the nationals. Dennis Pincheck moved to approve, Kelly Rea seconded and the proposal was accepted. Polly Smith will be asked to serve as show chair. Julie Lux will be trophy chair. Discussion was held on potential sites for the 2009 specialty and it was decided to wait on (cont p3)

Clinging to life -- and whatever floats

Standing on the counter, hunched over uncomfortably, Nancy looked toward the utility room. Priss and the other foxhounds were trapped, out of reach. Nancy turned away and tried not to listen. She fought off tears.

The puppies floated in their box, sitting like statues, afraid to move. On the counter, the water climbed to Nancy's waist. She looked at the blinds. The water covered still more slats. The table floated and tipped, sending Ebbie swimming. She made it to the wide-screen television and teetered on it. Nancy stood on her counter, helpless. The water popped the oven door open. A large antique oak bookshelf unit, built with cabinets underneath, shifted, spilling Nancy's curio collection into the water. The bookcase floated free.

A few more slats of the window blinds disappeared. Nancy grabbed a plastic shopping bag filled with other bags. She kicked off her boots, mustered her courage, held the shopping bag for flotation and stepped off the counter into the frigid water.

She swam to the floating bookshelf. Normally, she had trouble pulling herself out of a swimming pool, but she pulled herself right onto the bookcase. She lay flat to keep it from tipping, her feet in the water, her head raised. At the window, only a few slats were still uncovered.

The puppies floated quietly. Nancy shivered, hypothermal, and hallucinated on top of the bookcase. Two slats remained. Then one. The murky water covered the window, and the light winked out. The water kept rising. Nancy reached up and touched the ceiling.

In the dark, floating on her makeshift raft, Nancy struggled to keep her head above water. With only 10 inches of clearance remaining, the water's steady rise seemed to slow.

Then it stopped.

She had no sense of time, but eventually dusk flickered into the room through the window. The water was dropping, and a bit of this awful Monday remained. Ebbie was gone, drowned. But Nancy couldn't think of the dogs. She had to think of herself. To stay alive. And she still had the pups.

Through the night, the water dropped until Nancy could again stand up. She couldn't see, but she managed to get the puppies inside her fleece pullover. She held their warmth against her and wandered the room, hallucinating that the walls were made of glass. A puppy stuck his head out and licked her face, then pulled himself back under the pullover.

Just keep moving, she thought. Don't give up. Flood debris pinned the doors shut. She heard helicopters overhead. She thought about breaking a window but was afraid the air would be too cold.

Her feet felt like footballs. The puppy popped out and licked her face again.

Then daylight. Tuesday morning, Dec. 4. In her delirium, she saw a wooden dog on the steps. Dr. Seuss birds on a fence. A gray cow with fuzzy ears and a funny face. A little girl near the house. Nancy called to the little girl, asking for help. The girl went away and got a neighbor, who screamed and rushed over. The girl, at least, hadn't been a hallucination.

The neighbor broke down the door. Nancy still held the puppies. Her neighbor wrapped her in a blanket and called an ambulance. A friend took the puppies. Nancy sat in a car, warming herself by the heater. She ate six Oreos cookies. The medics took her to Providence Hospital in Centralia.

She's still there, recovering from a deep cut on her left foot that doctors want to watch carefully. Nancy knows she's lucky to be alive. She thinks she's pretty tough.

One of her dogs, a hound named Hawk, was found alive, downstream, buried to his neck in mud. The rest are probably dead, she figures. Even before the flood, the prized puppies had been sold. Nancy's a breeder, after all.

On Sunday, a friend sneaked the little puppy who'd repeatedly licked her face into her hospital room and sat him on the bed. The dog sniffed, looked up and then bounded toward her. He licked her face again.

Another survivor. She won't sell that one, she says. She's named him Noah. Reprinted by permission. Editors note: Nancy is out of the Hospital and is in Morton, Washington. The address is on our website. The four puppies are growing and doing fine! Hawk is also doing well and staying at the home of a friend.

Club to Match Funds

The Board of Directors of the American Foxhound Club has decided to donate money to Nancy. For every dollar a club member donates the club will match it up to \$2000.00. The Great News is that in just over a week club members have donated \$2025.00 and we have met our goal. A BIG Thank you goes to everyone that made a donation. If you did not get a chance to donate and would like to do so there are still two ways in which to donate. One is by going to WWW.paypal.com and selecting **send money** button and following the directions you can donate by credit card. **You DO NOT have to be a PayPal member!!!!** When it asks who to send it

to, type nancypunchesfund@earthlink.net.

The other way to donate is to send a check to:

Morton Hospital
c/o Medical Lab
P.O. Box 3
Morton, WA 98352

Board minuets cont.

entertaining bids until members had additional time to research facilities.

Other business—Kelly Rea showed a PowerPoint presentation she has developed on American foxhounds for the boards' review. She noted that additional photos and a new voiceover would need to be added prior to final approval.

Fran Menley moved to adjourn. Kelly Rea seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 10:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Julie Lux
Secretary, American Foxhound Club

October 6, 2007

AFC holds first ever Tracking Test

The first American Foxhound Tracking test was held on November 11, 2007 in Clermont Kentucky. The event received nine entries, one of which was an American Foxhound. The draw was held on October 25, 2007. The weekend prior to the test the American Foxhound earned his tracking title and one other entry earned their title and withdrew from the test. Therefore, we were down to seven entries, which was perfect. We had six test tracks and one alternate track for titling. The weather was cool and a little bit windy and everyone had a wonderful time. We had two dogs that passed there tracking test that day and five others that learned from there experience. We also were able to include two Junior Tracklayers in an attempt to get Junior Handlers involved in Tracking. The judges were very impressed with the event and the Junior Tracklayers. We hope to put on another Tracking test with both Tracking Dog and Tracking Dog (cont. p 4) Excellence



AFC holds first ever Tracking Test (cont.)

offerings in the fall of 2008 and a Tracking Dog, Tracking Dog Excellence and Variable Surface Test in the spring of 2009. The club made just shy of two hundred dollars. The more advanced the tests the more money the club can make. Included below are the pictures of the newly titled Tracking dogs, judges and tracklayers:



Located Left to Right
Nan Williamson with Histyles Union Jack
Annette Rossman (Judge), Terry McGauley
(Judge) and Tony Ginter (tracklayer)



Located Left to Right
CH Tudox Here Comes Trouble and Terry
Van Hook, Patrick Landrum (Assistant
Tracklayer), Annette Rossman (Judge), Terry
McGauley (Judge) and Robert Landrum

Minutes of General Membership Meeting

Minutes of General Membership Meeting September 27, 2007

The General Membership meeting was called to order at 4:30 PM by President Harry Miller.

Roll Call Attendees:

President- Harry Miller
Vice President- Kelly Rea
Treasurer/Secretary- Julie Lux
Directors: Dennis Pincheck, Robert Smith, Fran Menley, Ann Whitfield
Absent: Paul Cray, Nancy Panches

Members present: Judy Rea, Morgana Landrum, Mike Landrum, Connie Petrick, Donna Carpenter, Polly Smith, Lisa Miller, John Miller, Bob Wertz, Ingrid Gleysteen

Minutes of the last general meeting:

The minutes of the 2006 general membership meeting were read. Kelly Rea made motion to accept the minutes with one amendment, Morgana Landrum seconded the motion. The minutes were approved with that change.

President's report:

The President thanked everyone who participated in this year's national specialty, congratulated the winners and recognized the show committee, led by Dr. Smith, for their contributions to a successful show.

He recognized the contributions of Morgana and Mike Landrum to organize the first AFC tracking test and asked for a round of applause for their efforts. The Landrums noted that they are working on advanced testing for the future. President Miller also noted that the club has set a goal to offer Obedience classes at future national specialties.

Secretary's report:

The secretary reported that two new members, Phyllis Snell and Elizabeth Hope Wright, had been voted into the club at the board meeting the previous evening. She also read an application from Ingrid and Dirk Gleysteen and their application was unanimously accepted by the members attending.

The secretary read a letter from Larkin Vonalt, which was handed to her as the meeting was called to order. The letter requested reimbursement for travel expenses to pick up the 2006 specialty trophies and included checks for 2006 trophies, which she has been holding for nearly one year. Discussion ensued regarding whether or not Ms. Vonalt had been granted permission from the board to incur these expenses. The board agreed that this permission had not been granted, however, Dr. Smith moved to pay the \$256.85 requested by Ms. Vonalt and put the matter to rest. Connie Petrick seconded and the motion passed.

Treasurer's report:

The treasurer reported an opening bank balance of

\$16,390.85, with an income for the year of \$7,593.97 and expenses of \$6,022.66, leaving a balance of \$17,962.16.

Report of committees:

Show Committee- Dr. Smith expressed his thanks to all committee members, including Connie Petrick for trophies and Lisa Miller for hospitality, and to all participants for making this the second largest entry in club history.

Unfinished Business:

Top 20—Discussion was held on the feasibility of a Top 20 competition continued. Connie Petrick moved to table Top 20 plans until a time when more American foxhounds are being specialized. Polly Smith seconded and motion carried.

Nominating Committee—The president reported that the 2008 Nominating committee will be chaired by Kelly Rea with members Ron Lux and Morgana Landrum. Alternates will be Wendy Galbraith and Connie Petrick.

New Business:

Field Championship—Connie Petrick brought up the subject of a field championship for AKC American foxhounds. Bob Smith suggested that Connie prepare a written recommendation for a field title and submit to the board for review.

Trophies—The president noted that Kelly Rea is investigating a club medallion to be used as a trophy for supported entries and other events. He also noted that she is pursuing a smaller trophy for the Best of Breed winner each year and that the club will purchase additional plaques for the Snell trophy to remain consistent with those already on the trophy. The president thanked John Miller for building the additional tier for the base of the trophy.

Connie Petrick moved to donate the remaining wine glasses from this year's specialty to the Tracking Trial for use as trophies at that event. Dennis Pincheck seconded and motion carried.

2008 National Specialty—The president reported that the board had approved the proposal submitted by Dr. Smith and the 2008 national specialty will be held in conjunction with the Middle Peninsula Kennel Club cluster in Virginia Beach, Virginia. The classes on Friday, October 31, 2008 would be designated as the nationals. After discussion, Connie Petrick moved to designate the classes for the Thursday, October 30 show as the national specialty, John Miller seconded and the motion carried. Dr. Smith will serve as show chairman.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Julie Lux

Secretary, American Foxhound Club
October 7, 2007



FOXHOUNDS (AMERICAN)
 JUDGE: Ms. Patricia Staub

- Sweepstakes, Junior, 12 to 15 Months Dogs.
 1 27 KELLY MT. BEARLY LEGAL.
 Sweepstakes, Junior, 15 Months & Under 18 Months Dogs.
 1/BOSW 17 KIARRY'S FOOLISH PRIDE.
 Sweepstakes, Puppy, 6 to 9 Months Bitches.
 1/BSW 10 KIARRY'S WALKIN ON SUNSHINE.
 A 12 KIARRY'S LITTLE MISS SUNSHINE HP
 2 32 CROSSROADS MISS SUNSHINE. HP
 Sweepstakes, Junior, 12 to 15 Months Bitches.
 2 22 SUN DEVIL ORION TIGGER.
 1 26 KELLY MT. I'M HERE FOR THE PARTY
 3 28 KELLY MT. QUEEN ANNE LACE.
 Sweepstakes, Junior, 15 Months & Under 18 Months Bitches.
 1 14 KIARRY'S FOOLISH DREAMS.
 Sweepstakes, Veteran Sweepstakes, 7 Years & Under 9 Years Bitches.
 1/BVSW 24 CH KELLY MT AMERICAN BEAUTY
 Sweepstakes, Veteran Sweepstakes, 9 Years & Over Bitches.
 1 8 CH CEDAR CREEK GOLDEN GIRL DELUXE

JUDGE: Mr. Raymond V. Filburn Jr.

- 12 to 18 Months Dogs.
 1/R 27 KELLY MT. BEARLY LEGAL
 Bred by Exhibitor Dogs.
 1/W/BW 31 BRAZOS REMMINGTON(5 Points)
 American-Bred Dogs.
 A 29 KELLY MT. NATIONAL TREASURE
 Open Dogs.
 3 7 DELUXE SPLASH
 1 17 KIARRY'S FOOLISH PRIDE.
 2 21 KIARRY'S TAKE ON ME.
 Puppy, 6 to 9 Months Bitches.
 1/W 10 KIARRY'S WALKIN ON SUNSHINE(5 Points)
 A 12 KIARRY'S LITTLE MISS SUNSHINE.
 2 32 CROSSROADS MISS SUNSHINE.
 12 to 18 Months Bitches.
 4 14 KIARRY'S FOOLISH DREAMS.
 2 22 SUN DEVIL ORION TIGGER.
 26 KELLY MT. I'M HERE FOR THE PARTY.
 3 28 KELLY MT. QUEEN ANNE LACE.
 1/R 30 BUZZROO BLANCA.



Open Bitches.

- 1 34 CROSSROADS SWEET SERENADE
 Veteran, 7 Years & Under 10 Years Bitches.
 1 8 CH CEDAR CREEK GOLDEN GIRL DELUXE

Best of Breed Competition.

- 9 CH KIARRY'S WALKING TALL.
 AOM 11 CH KIARRY'S WHAT ABOUT BOB.
 BOB 15 CH KIARRY'S REFLECTIONS OF THE SUN.
 AOM 16 CH KIARRY'S AN AFFAIR TO REMEMBER
 18 CH KIARRY'S TWILIGHT'S LAST GLEAMING.
 19 KIARRY'S FOOLISH PLEASURE.
 A 20 CH KIARRY'S UPTOWN GIRL.
 AOM 23 CH KELLY MT PRIME ECHO.
 BOS 24 CH KELLY MT AMERICAN BEAUTY .
 25 CH KELLY MT. AMERICAN IDOL

- 33 KIARRY SIR ROMULAS AUGUSTSUS GALAHAD TD
 A 35 CH KIARRY'S LETHAL WEAPON.
 A 36 CH SUNDEVIL GALFOX VOYAGE.
 38 CH CROSSROADS SERENITY GRACE.
 A 40 CH KIARRY'S HAVE A CIGAR.
 42 KIARRY'S JEEZE LOUISE.

Stud Dog.

- 2 11 CH KIARRY'S WHAT ABOUT BOB.
 1 15 CH KIARRY'S REFLECTIONS OF THE SUN.
 Brood Bitch.
 1 18 CH KIARRY'S TWILIGHT'S LAST GLEAMING.

SEALYHAM TERRIER "CHARMIN" CROWNED AT SEVENTH ANNUAL AKC/EUKANUBA NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

*--Other Top Dogs Take Home Awards
During Weekend of Canine Competition*



Long Beach, CA (Dec. 2, 2007) — And the winner is ... Sealyham Terrier Ch Efbe's Hidalgo at Goodspice, known as "Charmin" of Cochranville, PA owned by Margery & Richard Good and Sandra Middlebrooks.

Earning a \$50,000 cash prize and the title of AKC/Eukanuba National Champion, Charmin was crowned the nation's top dog at the conclusion of the two-day competition in Long Beach, CA. Best in Show judge Miss Maxine V. Beam of Fort Worth, TX awarded the National Champion title.

In total, nearly 2,500 dogs competed in conformation for prestigious titles and \$225,000 -- the largest prize money of any dog show in the world.

The AKC/Eukanuba National Championship will be simulcast on Animal Planet and the Discovery Channel on February 2, 2008 from 8-11 p.m. (ET/PT).

"We welcome Charmin and his proud owners to the elite group who have become part of dog show royalty by being crowned the AKC/Eukanuba National Champion," said Ron Menaker, AKC Chairman. And, I congratulate the breeders and owners of Newton, a Golden Retriever, our Best Bred-By-Exhibitor in Show. These breeders exemplify the dedicated and responsible purebred dog breeder who makes our sport possible. Also recognized today was our Eukanuba World Challenge winner – Vamos, a Cocker Spaniel from Switzerland. I

am so pleased to honor all of these dogs – they represent various aspects of this wonderful sport which brings canine enthusiasts all over the world together to celebrate the international language of 'dog.'"

"It was a great honor to award Charmin with The Eukanuba Celebration of Champions trophy, which features a likeness of all AKC/Eukanuba National Champions, plus a check for \$50,000 and a lifetime supply of Eukanuba dog food," said Dan Rajczak of Eukanuba. "We congratulate Charmin and his owners for their tremendous accomplishment."

GROUP WINNERS

Sporting: Weimaraner – Ch Colsidex Seabreeze Perfect Fit (Marge)

Owners: Ellen M. Charles, Alessandra Floz and Judy Colan, Woodstock, CT.

Hound: Beagle (over 13 in.) – Ch K-Run's Park Me In First (Uno)

Owners: C. Dowell, E. Dziuk, J. Woodring and K. Weichert, Columbia, MO.

Working: Akita – Ch Redwitch Reason to Believe (Macey)

Owner: Roger Rechler, Millneck, NY.

Toy: Toy Poodle – Ch Smash JP Win a Victory (Vikki)

Owner: Ron Scott, Dillsbury, PA.

Non-Sporting: Standard Poodle – Ch Randenn Tristar Affirmation (Yes)

Owners: Toni and Martin Sosnoff, New York, NY.

Working: Akita – Ch Redwitch Reason to Believe (Macey)

Owner: Roger Rechler, Millneck, NY.

EUKANUBA WORLD CHALLENGE

This exciting and unique new international competition featuring the top dogs from 40 countries across the globe is the first event of its kind. Taking home the title of "Eukanuba World Challenge Winner" and \$10,000 was a Cocker Spaniel named Ch. Very Vigie Vamos a La Playa (Vamos) owned by Laurent Pichard and Joelle Doucet of Switzerland.

JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP

In the Junior Showmanship competition (for those under 18 years of age) Collen Stone of San Bruno, CA with his dog, Ch Ups 'n Downs Hot Toddy, or "Dawson," a Border Terrier was awarded Best Junior Handler, along with a \$2,000 scholarship.

BEST BRED- BY-EXHIBITOR IN SHOW

Golden Retriever, Ch Easthill Broxden the Fig is Up, known as Newton, owned by Sandra Kim Hoffen, A & J Ovalle and Amy Rodrigues of

Modesto, CA was awarded Best Bred-By-Exhibitor in Show. Over 980 dogs representing nearly 43 percent of the total competitors were entered in the "Bred-By" competition. Newton's owners were awarded a \$15,000 cash prize.

American Foxhound Results:

Best of Breed judged by Col. Joe B. Purkhiser.



CH KELLY MT ROYAL FLUSH
Best of Breed



CH WINQUEST PAWSATIVELY
MAGICAL
Best of Opposite Sex



CH KELLY MT STAR SPANGLED
BANNER
Award of Excellence



CH PACAR'S RACING CAIN
Award of Excellence