

# THE CANAAN KIBITZER

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Denise Gordon

On behalf of the CDCA Board, I am pleased to introduce Renee Kent as the new *Canaan Kibitzer* editor. Renee has been a CDCA member since 2002 and a breeder/owner/handler as well as Mom to a charming toddler. She will be working with her husband, Evan, to design the newsletter.

A brief note on the delay in dues notices for the 2007 year. The Constitution and By-Laws states that dues notices go out in October and are due on or before January 1. However, given the turmoil due to the club treasurer moving residences this fall and the change of newsletter editorship, the notices did not go out on time. Per the Constitution and By-Laws, the January 1 due date cannot change (without a formal vote from the membership), but also per that document, a membership will be considered as lapsed and automatically terminated if such member's dues remain unpaid after March 31. Therefore, there is a "grace period", so to speak, for this unforeseen delay, though, the sooner the dues is paid, the better. The Treasurer, Kristin Pavlin, will also be sending out second reminders shortly after the publication of this issue.

May all of you have a joyous holiday season and a happy, healthy new year in 2007!

## PICTORIAL BREED REFERENCE BOOK

By Donna Dodson

At the 2006 Annual Meeting, the Canaan Dog Club of America approved the resumption of the production of the Pictorial Breed Reference, which has been dormant for several years.

This guide is a valuable tool for breeders in particular, for it displays much of the information necessary in choosing the bloodlines they would wish to incorporate in their program. In addition to a photo of the dog or bitch and the three-generation pedigree, other pertinent information such as sex, registered name, titles (those attained at the time of inclusion into the book), breeder, owner, height and weight, and the number of litters/successful progeny is also included. Even pet owners will find the Breed reference of interest as it can depict many of their dog's ancestors.

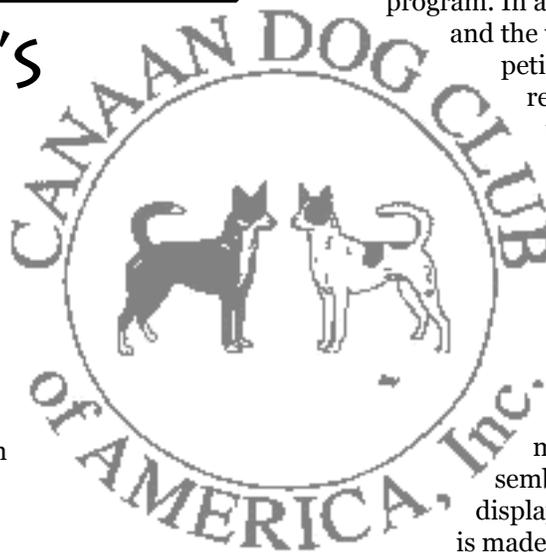
The new format will be a split page with the males on the top half and females on the bottom half; it will be assembled so that the pages can be turned to display the full pedigree once the selection is made.

For those interested in adding their dog or bitch to the Breed Reference, the color photo is to be of reproductive quality, but not a show photo, and it is recommended that the photo depict the best attributes of the dog/bitch, displaying a full body shot. Head studies are not recommended, but can be included as a smaller overlay on the body photo at an additional submission cost.

The cost of submission is \$15 for the first dog and \$5 for each additional dog submitted at the same time. The cost for large number of

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**2007 Membership Drive**  
It's time to renew your membership.  
See page 5 for the  
membership renewal form.  
Forms must be  
received by  
Jan. 1st



## Breed Pictorial Reference Book

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dogs is \$50 for 10 dogs submitted at the same time and \$2.50 per dog thereafter if submitted at the same time. All or as much as possible of the following information regarding the dog/bitch should be included with the photo:

- Registered name and current titles (all registries)
- Sex and if neutered/spayed or intact at time of submission
- OFA/PennHip hip/elbow results, CHIC #, CERF results
- Coat color/pattern
- AKC/UKC/Canadian/Foreign Registration Number (please identify registry)
- Date of birth / Date of death (if applicable)
- Three-generation pedigree
- Breeder(s) name(s) and city, state of residence (if co-breeders, list place where whelped)
- Owner(s) name(s) and city, state of principal owner's residence

A brief statement (less than 50 words) about the dog, which could include its call name, greatest achievement(s), how many litters sired/produced, temperament, etc.

### Electronic format should be sent to:

Chris Miller  
[canaandownunder@bigpond.com](mailto:canaandownunder@bigpond.com)

### Hard copy only should be sent to:

Donna Dodson  
29275 Pleasant Hill Rd.  
Kingston, IL. 60145

These will be collated and forwarded to Chris Miller, who will process all information into the new format. The deadline for submission will be April 1, 2007, in order to be available for sale at the National Specialty in September, though submission as early as possible is highly encouraged.

### I Want That ~ How to Purchase

For those wishing to purchase the Breed Reference

- The completely updated book including annual additions is \$80;
- Previous (no additions) editions is \$30;
- and the new binder is \$20.

An order form will be included in the next issue of the *Canaan Kibitzer*.

## THE CANAAN KIBITZER

### Quarterly Newsletter

### of the Canaan Dog Club of America

#### Staff

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- Only puppies from breeding stock cleared of hip dysplasia (OFA or PennHip in the USA)
- Only stud dogs and brood bitches that are prick-eared and cleared of hip dysplasia (OFA or PennHip in USA)
- Imports must have a four generation pedigree and be registered in the country of origin
- Brood stock and/or puppies for sale from puppy mills will not be accepted
- Advertisements from persons not in good standing with the American Kennel Club (AKC) and/or the CDCA will not be accepted until proof of reinstatement in good standing has been provided prior to submission of advertisements.

**Rates** - All ads should be in electronic format. Photos must be 300dpi or greater.

|                                      |           |
|--------------------------------------|-----------|
| Full Page                            | US\$20.00 |
| Half Page                            | US\$10.00 |
| Quarter Page (no photos)             | US\$5.00  |
| "Brag Box" (no photos/limited space) | FREE      |

All ads must be paid in advance. *Make checks/money orders payable to CDCA*. Send fees to Evan Kent, 25 Woodville Alton Road, Wood River Junction, RI 02894. Email creative to [evankent@cox.net](mailto:evankent@cox.net).

# THE BLUEGRASS CLASSIC AT LEXINGTON, KENTUCKY

Aug. 31 – Sept. 4, 2006  
By Bryna Comsky

All five judges during the cluster, Les Mapes, Houston Clark, George Heitzman, Peggy Beisel-McIlwaine and Barbara Dempsey Alderman, have enjoyed a long-time familiarity and interest in the breed with George Heitzman's judging on Saturday being memorable. There was a sizeable Canaan Dog entry that reached a total of 11 on Sunday, September 3rd. The overall entry provided a comfortable range of type for observers to view and study. There was one judge-observer in the ring with Judge Heitzman.

Many recognizable kennel types represented the breed: Denise Gordon (Desert Star) brought Angel and Comet on Saturday and Sunday; Jackie and Donna Davison (D&J Ha'Aretz) brought four dogs, Trouble, Oz, Zuzu and CH Buzz Baby, on Sunday and Monday; Laura & Sydni Lashley's Bless-Ed Be was represented by Shiva and Neshama; CH Denver and the puppy, Beth, were the stars of Cheryl & Jerry Hennings' Cherrysh Kennels; and CH Magnum from Donna Dodson's Pleasant Hill Canaan Dogs came with Jimmy Moses.

Blessed-Be Shiva is the new six-months-old puppy who stole the show on Saturday and Sunday. She and her owner, Nadezda Nikolova, were both first-time exhibitors, and walked gracefully, mostly, into the Winners Bitch, Best of Winners and Best of Opposite Sex awards on Saturday under Judge Heitzman. They repeated their wins the next day under Judge Ms. Peggy Beisel-McIlwaine. Their performances were especially noteworthy, considering that the puppy's name, Shiva, comes from Hindu and means something like "naughty spirit." Shiva was entered in Novice Bitches on Saturday, and George Heitzman had a good time with her, and her owner, as he humorously showed them the ropes. As a puppy, Shiva shows the elegance, grace and refinement of the type three pariah dog classification of the Menzels, and is competitive among the American-bred dogs. She is solid tan with an Israeli look about her. Her proportion is pleasing, and her movement was lovely on both days, when she stopped playing long enough to settle into the judges' gaiting patterns.

Beth is owned by Michael Banister and Melvin Larsen, who shows her. Her cream-colored coat is almost the color of her beautiful dam, CH Cherrysh Diamond In The Rough. The sights and sounds of the show grounds made her uneasy, and Melvin and Michael are working to build up her confidence. Blessed-Be My Neshama is also owned by Michael Banister, Melvin Larsen and Laura & Sydni Lashley. After Michael taught her what is expected of her in the show ring, she quickly won her two required majors, and is two points short of her championship title.

Three champions competed for Best of Breed: CH Cherrysh Sing So Into You is named for one of Melvin's favorite songs, and called Denver after the town of his birth. Melvin handles Denver, and they are a natural team together. CH D&J Ha'Aretz I'm the Buzz Baby won his championship title at the CDCA National Specialty last year with a thrilling BOW win. CH Pleasant Hill Magnum of Samara is presented by the great German Shepherd Dog handler, Jimmy Moses and his team. Mag, as he's called by his company, is formidable competition. He won Best of Breed all five days.

Magnum looked as competitive in the Herding Group as the other dogs did in the hotly contested variety groups. His intense white and black colors called for the judges' attention. There was no rosette for him this weekend, but he placed twice in group the weekend prior and will win again.

When the dust settled on Saturday and Sunday, Shiva ended up next to him in the winners' circle with BOW and BOS awards with Comet garnering the WD award on Saturday and Trouble earning it on Sunday. On Monday, the Davisons' Trouble and Zuzu won WD & WB, BOW and BOS.

The long weekend gave us a chance to get together, party, talk, meet and greet and see each others' dogs.

| Day     | Judge               | Entry       | BOB    | BOS     | WD       | WB      |
|---------|---------------------|-------------|--------|---------|----------|---------|
| 8/31/06 | L. Mapes            | 3 (2d, 1b)  | Magnum | Angel*  | Comet    | Angel   |
| 9/1/06  | H. Clark            | 4 (2d, 2b)  | Magnum | Neshama | n/a      | Neshama |
| 9/2/06  | G.J. Heitzman       | 7 (6d, 5b)  | Magnum | Shiva*  | Comet    | Shiva   |
| 9/3/06  | P. Beisel-McIlwaine | 11 (6d, 5b) | Magnum | Shiva*  | Trouble  | Shiva   |
| 9/4/06  | B.D. Alderman       | 7 (4d, 3b)  | Magnum | Zuzu    | Trouble* | Zuzu    |

BOB=Best of Breed, BOS=Best of Opposite Sex, \*BOW=Best of Winners WD=Winner's Dog, WB=Winner's Bitch

# HEALTH REPORT

By Donna Dodson

Katryna Bogovich has shortened the Health Survey which can be found on the CDCA website ([www.cdca.org](http://www.cdca.org)). This has been a difficult task to accomplish because the transfer into a shortened version needed to be compatible with the existing database; however, it's completed and now available to all.

We are encouraging everyone to answer this survey, even if you are not aware of any health problems, past or current, in your Canaan Dog. Recently, we have received reports of several new health problems and those dogs should definitely be reported on the Health Survey form by their breeders and/or owners. Please note at the beginning of the survey, the person reporting should specify if the report is for the database ONLY (confidential) or if the report might be submitted for inclusion on the Pedigree Health Charts (public information).

It is extremely important to the future of the Canaan Dog that there is disclosure of any health problems or, even better, no health problems; the lack of problems is just as important as apparent ones. It should not be regarded by anyone that it is detrimental to their kennel or personal reputation to have an affected dog, but it will be detrimental to the breed itself if the health problem or lack of such are not reported. Please make a New Year's resolution to fill out the new survey. If anyone is unable to access the form on the website, please contact Katryna Bogovich, Denise Gordon or myself, and a form will be sent to you.

Also, when planning your end-of-the-year giving, don't forget the importance of your donation to the American Kennel Club/Canine Health Foundation (AKC/CHF). The Canaan Dog Donor Advised Fund monies have recently been used for progress in the study of soft tissue tumors. Any one interested in that study's report may contact me and I'll see that the information is forwarded to you. If you wish to donate to this Canaan Dog-specific fund, please send the donation, payable to CDCA, to Kristin Pavlin, CDCA Treasurer, 3003 Memorial Court # 2302, Houston, TX 77007. Or if you prefer to donate directly to the American Kennel Club/Canine Health Foundation, send your donation (payable to AKC/CHF) to AKC/CHF, P.O. BOX 37941, Raleigh, NC 27652-7941; in each situation, please specify on your check that the donation is designated for the Canaan Dog Donor Advised Fund.

Additionally, the proceeds of the Purina Parent Club Program (PPCP), through the redemption of weight circle labels from the bags of specific Purina dog foods, assists the funding of the Canaan Dog Donor Advised Fund. Check the Internet for details on sending the labels to the Purina Pro Club ([www.purinaproclub.com](http://www.purinaproclub.com)). A portion of the proceeds from redemption of the labels is returned directly to the CDCA as well.

## Canaan Dog Club of America (CDCA)

[www.cdca.org](http://www.cdca.org)

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### Membership Rates:

**Renewals** - annual membership dues notices will be sent out by the Treasurer. Dues are payable on January 1st of each year.

**New membership** applications should be mailed with dues to the Membership Chair: Renee Kent, 25 Woodville Alton Road, Wood River Junction, RI 02894. Make checks/money orders (in U.S. funds) payable to CDCA. CDCA Members interested in downloading a full-color copy of *The Canaan Kibitzer* (available before the print copy) should contact [evankent@cox.net](mailto:evankent@cox.net).

|                        |                   |
|------------------------|-------------------|
| Domestic Single/Family | US\$20.00/\$25.00 |
| Foreign Single/Family  | US\$25.00/\$30.00 |
| Kib Subscription Only  | US\$ 18.00        |

*Make checks/money orders payable to CDCA.*

# MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FORM



## Name & Address Info

|  |                        |
|--|------------------------|
| Today's Date:  | _____                  |
| First Name:  | _____ Last Name: _____ |
| <i>(Single voting member or first voting member for family memberships)</i>            |                        |
| First Name:  | _____ Last Name: _____ |
| <i>(Second voting member for family memberships. Leave blank if single membership)</i> |                        |
| Street Address:  | _____                  |
| City:  | _____                  |
| State:   | _____ Zip Code: _____  |

|  |  |
|--|--|
| <b>Phone, Email &amp; Business Name:</b> | Ok to publish in Membership Directory?<br>(circle one) |
| Home Phone #                             | Yes or No  |
| Work Phone #                             | Yes or No  |
| Email Address                            | Yes or No  |
| Kennel Name                              | Yes or No  |

## Member Profile

Please check all of the following that apply (this information will also be included in the CDCA Membership Directory; If a Performance Event Exhibitor, circle competition type):

Canaan Dog Owner  
 Canaan Dog Breeder  
 Canaan Dog Conformation Exhibitor  
 Canaan Dog Performance Event Exhibitor (PLEASE CIRCLE)  
     Obedience      Agility      Fly Ball      Herding      Rally      Tracking      Other  
 AKC Conformation Judge  
 AKC Performance Judge

**Dues**

Domestic (US):                      US\$20 Single                      US\$25 Family  
 International:                      US\$25 Single                      US\$30 Family

*Please note: changing from a single membership (one voting member) to family membership (two voting members) requires CDCA Board approval. A New Membership Application must be submitted that includes second voting member and their signature agreeing to abide by the CDCA Code of Ethics. Contact Renee Kent, Membership Chair (401-213-6193) or email [renegadeacd@cox.net](mailto:renegadeacd@cox.net) to obtain a copy of current Membership Application. Note: when going from family to single Membership, the second voting member is automatically removed unless the Treasurer is notified otherwise.*

Please return this form and signed Code of Ethics form with your dues payment by January 1, 2007. Make check payable to CDCA and mail to:

Kristin Pavlin  
 CDCA Treasurer  
 P.O. Box 920831  
 Houston, TX 77292

If you are having difficulty printing this form,  
 you can access the form online at [www.cdca.org](http://www.cdca.org).



# SECRETARY'S REPORT

## MAY-NOVEMBER, 2006



### Submitted by

**Norma Bennett Woolf, recording secretary**

The CDCA Board of Directors has been busy this year. After several resignations, Kristin Pavlin agreed to be treasurer, Evan Kent joined the board, and Norma Bennett Woolf became recording secretary. Pursuant to approval of our AKC membership, the board also added corresponding secretary Judy March Rosenthal and AKC delegate Pamela Rosman.

Although we meet in person only once each year at the annual meeting, the CDCA Board of Directors holds a virtual meeting by e-mail each month to conduct business. We propose and discuss motions and vote on matters of importance to club members and operations.

- Each agenda is determined by the 7th of the month
- Discussions take place until the 21st of the month
- Votes must be recorded by the last day of the month.

Time-sensitive matters are dealt with in a shorter time frame.

CDCA members are welcome to contact board members with questions and requests for discussion or action on matters of importance. The board list with contact information can be found elsewhere in the *Kib*.

The following motions and policies were passed by the board since the last *Kibitzer*:

### July

#### **Item 07-06-01 : New Corresponding Secretary**

Judy March Rosenthal was elected corresponding secretary with yes votes from Denise Gordon, Norma Woolf, Cindy Grupp, Cheryl Hennings, Sally Armstrong Barnhart, and Evan Kent. Amanda Pough abstained and Kristin Pavlin did not vote.

#### **Item 07-06-02: New Member Carol Grider**

Carole Grider was accepted into membership on a unanimous vote with only Kristin Pavlin not voting.

#### **Item 07-06-03: New Member Amy Preston**

Amy Preston was accepted into membership with yes votes from Gordon, Woolf, Grupp, Hennings, Barnhart, and Pough. Kent abstained and Pavlin did not vote.

### August

No items to report on.

### September

No items to report on.

### October

#### **Item 10-06-01: New Welcome Letter**

The board approved a welcome letter for new members with yes votes from Gordon, Woolf, Pough, Kent, Grupp, Pavlin, and Rosenthal. Hennings and Barnhart did not vote.

#### **Item 10-06-02: New Rejection Letter**

The board approved a rejection letter for applicants who were not accepted for membership on yes votes from Gordon, Woolf, Pough, Kent, Grupp, Pavlin, and Rosenthal. Hennings and Barnhart did not vote.

#### **Item 10-06-03: Treasury & Account Review**

The board approved a process for bonding the treasurer and to review the club accounts each year on yes votes from Gordon, Woolf, Pough, Kent, Grupp, Pavlin, and Rosenthal. Hennings and Barnhart did not vote.

#### **Item 10-06-04: CDC A Logo on Trophies**

The board approved a motion to require the CDCA logo on trophies offered by regional clubs at supported entries on yes votes by Gordon, Woolf, Pough, Kent, Grupp, Pavlin, and Rosenthal. Hennings and Barnhart did not vote.

#### **Item 10-06-05: Statement on Canaan Dog Mixes**

The board approved a position statement on Canaan Dog mixes to be posted on the CDCA website on yes votes from Gordon, Woolf, Pough, Kent, Grupp, Pavlin, and Rosenthal. Hennings and Barnhart did not vote.

#### **Item 10-06-06: Review of the Books**

The board approved a motion that requires a quarterly review of the books by the board on yes votes from Gordon, Woolf, Pough, Kent, Grupp, Pavlin, and Rosenthal. Hennings and Barnhart did not vote.

#### **Item 10-06-07: LKC Supported Entry**

The board approved a motion applying the Louisville Kennel Club payment of \$1 per dog for our supported entry to a trophy fund for that event on yes votes from Gordon, Woolf, Pough, Kent, Grupp, Pavlin, and Rosenthal. Hennings and Barnhart did not vote.

### November

No items to report.

# CANAAN DOG RESCUE NETWORK NEWS

Michelle Harrington  
CDRN Columnist  
Ontario, Canada

## Why a Canaan Dog rescue organization?

We all know that in most recognized breeds the need for “Rescue” does become a factor. Thankfully, due to responsible breeders in our close-knit Canaan community, we do not have to face this issue on an ongoing basis. However, from time-to-time a Canaan Dog is in need of being re-homed. The Canaan Dog Rescue Network’s (CDRN’s) initiative is to provide a service for when these extraordinary events occur. The CDRN cannot exist without the generosity of the Canaan-collective, which is made up of club members, breeders, and owners alike. Thanks to all of you who participated in this year’s fundraising incentive — the “2007 Calendar Contest”. In the weeks ahead, the winners will be posted and details on how to order copies will be available on the CDRN site.

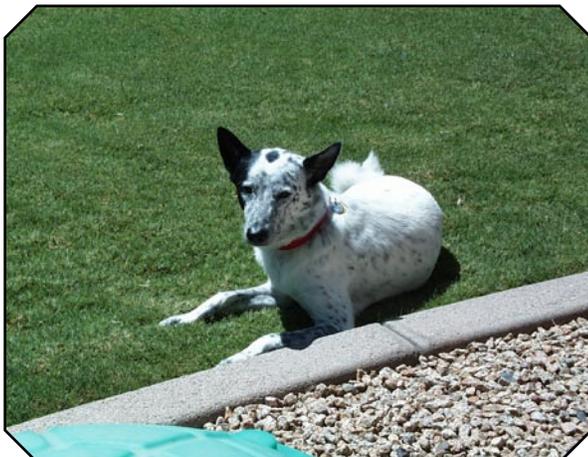
## Recent News

### Desert dogs in search of new dens

Currently, there is one desert pooch looking for a new destiny: please visit Igor at the CDRN home site at [www.canaandogrescue.com](http://www.canaandogrescue.com) to read more about him.

### Desert dogs diggin their new dens

The CDRN has had a successful year. Coordinators have fielded countless inquires and are happy to report that three CDs found new homes in 2006: Jasher (previously Jasper) in Arizona; Baxter Doo (previously Scooby Doo) in Utah; Vivi in Texas; Oreo in Illinois; Oscar in Delaware; and Sizzle in Florida. We are hoping to share some follow-up stories about their new homes in upcoming issues of the *Kibitzer*. In this issue we caught up with Doug Van Cleve and his family, the new owners of Jasher. We hope you enjoy this exclusive interview! For the full interview and more pictures, we invite you to visit the CDRN home site.



## Up close and personal with Doug Van Cleve and Jasher in Arizona

When a CD owner meets another CD owner the inevitable first question is always “so what on earth drew you to discover this breed?” Doug has been a dog enthusiast for decades and constant dog owner since 1983. He owned a Dachshund for 18 years and always wanted a Mastiff or Bull Mastiff. As an avid Dog World subscriber, Doug recalls reading an article about Canaan Dogs. He was intrigued but never thought he would own one.



How he and Jasher found each other is a thoughtful and passionate story. Shortly before Thanksgiving, Doug’s family’s beloved 10-year-old Boxer-cross Cosmo died unexpectedly following surgery to remove a large lump on his leg. He also has a Dachshund/Sheltie-cross named Brisco, who, at the age of 14 isn’t up for much activity lately and is slowly retreating into his own little world. After a few months, Doug decided to start looking for another dog. His main candidate was to be a retired racing Greyhound. He has been interested in the breed for a long time and there are local track and several organizations close by.

### When man meets desert dog

Last fall, Doug enrolled in Bible Study Fellowship. The course is a year in length, and last year’s focus was on *Genesis*. His reading about Abraham and how God promised him all of the land of Canaan inspired him to look up Canaan Dogs on the Internet.

### Getting to know Jasher

To most of us, the naming of a dog is a very important task. We asked Doug if there is significance behind Jasher’s name and of course he replied “absolutely!” On the CDRN adoption list, Jasher’s original call name was

Jasper. Doug wanted to find a Hebrew name and on a lark searched for names starting with J and found Jasher, which is also referenced in the Bible in Joshua 10:13 and 2 Samuel 1:18 (Book of Jasher, apparently a lost ancient text sometimes spelled Jashar). It means upright or righteous.

From the moment he entered Doug's live, Jasher has been a spectator at 3-7 year old girls' soccer practices, a running partner, and obedience class participant. His endearing qualities, as described by Doug are alert, devoted, and tolerant. Jasher, like any dog, has a penchant for cer-

tain things. According to Doug, Jasher fancies Nylabones and ice cubes! Doug has an ice dispenser in the door of his freezer and Jasher always comes to the kitchen when he hears it. Doug says "I have known dogs with a passing interest in ice cubes but no others that love them." Talk about a "hot" desert dog with "cool" tastes!

Please visit [www.canaandogrescue.com/CDRN/Jasher.html](http://www.canaandogrescue.com/CDRN/Jasher.html) to read more about Doug and his new pariah pal!

Thanking you all for your generosity and support! □



The following health clearances have been registered with the Orthopedic Foundation For Animals (OFA) for July - November 2006

**HEALTH CLEARANCES**

| <b>Dog's Name</b>                | <b>Sex</b> | <b>Test ID #</b> | <b>Test</b> | <b>Results</b> |
|----------------------------------|------------|------------------|-------------|----------------|
| Babrees Crystal Gale             | F          | CA-184           | CERF        | Normal         |
| Babrees The Astral Vision        | F          | CA-185N          | CERF        | Normal         |
| Jealou Echo Echo I Herd Ewe      | F          | CA-136           | CERF        | Normal         |
| Jealou's Got Milk O'Madriver     | M          | CA-TH40/50M-PI   | Thyroid     | Normal         |
| Jealou's Got Milk O'Madriver     | M          | CA-380G51M-PI    | Hips        | Good           |
| Jealou's Got Milk O'Madriver     | M          | CA-EL64M51-PI    | Elbows      | Normal         |
| Jealou's Got Milk O'Madriver     | M          | CA-239           | CERF        | Normal         |
| Jonelle's Pleasant Hill Naomi    | F          | CA-379G32F-PI    | Hips        | Good           |
| Mad River Tahoe Zephyr           | M          | CA-186           | CERF        | Normal         |
| Pleasant Hill Midas Touch        | M          | CA-TH35/51M-PI   | Thyroid     | Normal         |
| Rashit Beit Alpha Me Shaar Hagai | F          | CA-EL63F24-PI    | Elbows      | Normal         |
| Rashit Beit Alpha Me Shaar Hagai | F          | CA-378G24F-PI    | Hips        | Good           |
| Renegade's Riker                 | F          | CA-237           | CERF        | Normal         |
| Rosendog's He Who Must Be Named  | M          | CA-TH37/40M-PI   | Thyroid     | Normal         |

# BREEDER PROFILE

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An interview with Annette Israel,  
Eastlands Canaans, Raleigh, North Carolina  
By Katherine O'Bryan



## **Q: Introduce yourself for those readers who may not be familiar with you.**

My name is Annette Israel, and I have been involved with Canaans since 1993. CDCA Ch. Hanna bat Yetta, HCX, CGC (Hanna), was my first Canaan, and she was the beginning of “a love that many other dog breeders cannot understand” for this unique wonderful breed. I have been on the CDCA Board of Directors (BOD), am currently on the Southern Classic Canaan Dog Club BOD and was the Show Chair for the 1996 CDCA Specialty in Charlotte, NC. I have served on numerous CDCA committees and have been a strong supporter of the breed, since acquiring Hanna in 1993.

## **Q: How long have you been involved with dog showing and/or breeding?**

I was involved with obedience training of my family’s German Shepherds as a young child, but when I moved out on my own, I acquired a Brittany for my husband Don to hunt with. The Brittany became my first dog to compete with in obedience, and I was very pleased to get his CD title. But the bug had bitten and I knew that I would one day find a breed that would be easier to train and compete with.

## **Q: How long with Canaan Dogs?**

In 1992 when looking for a breed to compete with and also be a good watch dog for our home, I came across the rare breed of Canaan from Israel. I had been researching different breeds and this breed caught my eye. I then began contacting all the breeders of Canaans; there were five at that time – yes, only five. After finding two pups available from different breeders, I convinced Donna Dodson that I could handle Harriet, aka Hanna, and so, Eastland Canaans began.

And, of course, being the only person on the east coast at that time wanting to show and breed Canaans, I became very involved and began showing Hanna, and AKC Ch. Mowerys Manny Blessings, HC, CGC (Manny). I had two wonderful representatives of the breed to introduce to the show world and to people inquiring about this breed.

## **Q: What drew you to the Canaan Dog breed?**

When looking for a breed for our family, I wanted first a healthy breed. My shepherd of 12 years was very unhealthy most of her life. I also looked for the guarding and protective characteristics. I also wanted an alarm dog, just to let me know if something or someone strange was on the property. So.....there was the Canaan breed that fit all of this and more.

## **Q: Introduce your dogs. What dogs were the foundation stock for your breeding program?**

My first two Canaans were Hanna and Manny. CDCA Ch. Pleasant Hill Hanna bat Yetta, HCX, CGC, produced her first AKC champion, Ch. Eastlands Tehilla, HC, in 1995. Tehilla went on to produce AKC Ch. Eastlands Kaila. AKC Ch. Mowerys Manny Blessings, HC, CGC was acquired in 1994, and after acquiring his son, Dayspring Amos Anatoly (“Deke”), at the age of 8 years, Deke was Best Veteran at his first show (the National Specialty), and at his second show at nine years old, he received his first major. So hopefully, Deke will be an AKC champion before he crosses over that rainbow bridge, which I hope won’t happen anytime soon. Deke is very healthy and everyone is amazed that he looks so young, but then Canaans age very well.

## **Q: What traits/qualities did these dogs possess that you wanted to pass on?**

The traits that I wanted to continue to breed and pass on are healthy, loving, sweet, confident, not aggressive, people loving, guarding (alarm) dogs. I wanted to continue the discretion instinct that these dogs have. Manny didn’t know a stranger, he was a wonderful ambassador for the breed at shows, but when at home, if he barked you knew it was something to check out.

## **Q: What is your philosophy regarding dog breeding?**

I feel very strongly about breeding Canaans after they are two years old and had at least the basic tests

done to prevent health problems. I have a fear that we are breeding too fast and not watching the litters for several years to see what health issues develop. If we are not careful, we will find our breed in the same sad condition of the shepherds, labs, and other breeds with so many health issues.

**Q: What do you strive for as a breeder?**

First and foremost to me as a breeder is to breed healthy sound pups. I am very excited about the litter (whelped 11/28/05) between Saretta (8 yrs) and Deke (9 yrs). Both dogs were vet checked and are in excellent health. So by waiting until these dogs are older you can eliminate a lot of health problems. I have to say this was Saretta's last litter. She has had three litters, which I feel is enough for any bitch, but of course there are always exceptions to anyone's breeding program. I currently have two young Canaans, Naturally Noahs at Eastland, and Eastlands Salina's So Special, that will continue to contribute to the breed some wonderful traits. Also, as a breeder I don't want to lose the conformation of the Canaan that allows the dog to move effortlessly, and to be the dog the Menzel's set out to develop. We need to keep breeding for size, movement, temperament and sound structure or we will end up with a dog that is not the dog the Menzel's had intended to be the Canaan.

**Q: What traits do you feel are essential to the Canaan Dog breed and as such are traits that breeders should strive to keep in their breeding programs?**

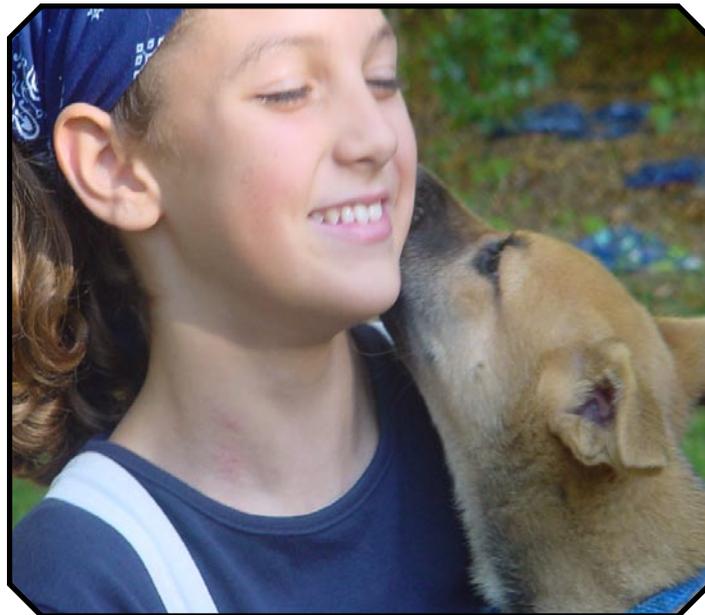
We don't want to lose the survival traits in this breed. I think these traits are what make up the Canaan's aloofness, discrepancies, wariness, being able to learn quickly.

**Q: What traits do you feel should be bred out of the breed?**

The one trait that comes to mind that the breeders have worked on for years is the aggression toward other dogs. There are several different types of aggression, but two are dominant and fear. I have dealt with both. But as for the breed now compared to the early 1990's, we have made a lot of progress. The newcomers to the breed don't have to be on guard with their Canaan at ringside, ready to stop a confrontation between their Canaan and a passing dog. I hear of a lot of Canaans being taken to a dog park to play with other dogs. That is progress, believe me.

**Q: What do you see in the future for the breed? What do you hope will happen with the Canaan Dog? What do you fear?**

I see in the future of the Canaan, that if we are not



careful, we will end up with an unhealthy, over-bred breed. I think we need to be careful how tightly (in bloodlines) we are breeding our dogs. We need to continue to screen our dogs for any health concerns and be prepared to not breed genetic defects in our dogs. I hope that Canaan breeders will continue the reputation of being a close-knit family that is very discretionary in placing their puppies.

**Q: Do you have any advice for people who are interested in Canaan Dogs, or who may be new to the breed?**

My advice to anyone that calls or e-mails me about Canaans is to first call several breeders. When I did my first research on the Canaan, I called all five breeders and got views from each that, when put together, gave me a total picture of the Canaan, so I knew the pros and cons of this breed and I was prepared for them. (So I thought, as you never know what a Canaan has up their [leg] sleeve). I also suggest several links for the Canaans (websites) and I also recommend them to a breeder who is close to their location. The most important point is to talk to Canaan breeders and owners. Also, to know what you want in a Canaan, so that the breeder can place the right Canaan with the right owner. And don't be insulted by our interview with you as a potential puppy buyer. We love our dogs dearly and they are like our children. We are very protective of them, just like Canaans!

*From the author: Thank you so much Annette for participating in this interview-Katherine O'Bryan □*

Congratulations to these Canaan Dogs and their owners and breeders for achievements in the show ring and at performance events. The list is arranged alphabetically by dog owner.

Each *Kibitzer* will include a list of new champions and other titles, but the editors are not psychic ... you must tell us who did what in order to see your name (and your dogs' names) in print.

### Agility

| Owner Name                      | Title     | Reg. Name (Call Name)   |
|---------------------------------|-----------|---|
| Sally Armstrong-Barnhardt Cando | NAJ       | CH Tahoe Cando Too Darn Hot TDI-RTD, AKC-CGC, NAJ (EllaFitz)                                |
| Sally Armstrong-Barnhardt Cando | OA        | CH Cando Bobesox N Saddleshoes AKC-CGC, NA, NAJ, OA (Bob)                                   |
| Sally Armstrong-Barnhardt Cando | AX<br>AXJ | Jealou Echo Echo I Herd Ewe AHBA-HCT, NA-DAC-NAC, AKC CGC, NA, NAJ, OA, OAJ, AX, AXJ (Echo) |
| Alan Gersman                    | OAJ       | Mazel Tov PRTMJL Minnie Pooh, OA, OAJ   |

#### AKC Novice Jumpers With Weaves Agility Title (NAJ)

Agility work at its most basic level, but extra fast-paced, without the contact obstacles or pause table.

#### AKC Open Standard Agility Title (OA)

Agility work at the middle level: more obstacles, less time to do the course.

#### AKC Standard Excellent Agility Title (AXJ)

Agility work at the highest level: the most obstacles and a reduced time to do the course.

### Canine Good Citizen

| Owner Name    | Title | Reg. Name (Call Name)                    |
|---------------|-------|--|
| Chris Garland | CGC   | Ch. Mazel Tov Hana Her My Heart, RN, CGC |

#### Canine Good Citizen (CGC)

A certification program that is designed to reward dogs who have good manners at home and in the community.

### Conformation

| Owners & Breeders  | Title        | Reg. Name (Call Name)<br>Sire/Dam  |
|--|--------------|--|
| <b>Owner:</b> Denise A. Gordon<br>Desert Star<br><br><b>Breeders:</b> Denise A. Gordon<br>Cynthia Grupp<br>Pamela Rosman | AKC Champion | CH Desert Star Angel Of My Dreams, CDCA-HC (Angel)<br><br><b>Sire:</b> Luxemburg/AKC Ch. Lorianna Sirius Star, CDCA-HC<br><br><b>Dam:</b> CH Madriver Samara Desert Star Dawn, CGC, RA; CDCA-PN, HCX |
| <b>Owners:</b> Michelle Harrington<br>Lawrence Myers<br><br><b>Breeder:</b> Bryna Comsky<br>Ha'Aretz                     | CKC Champion | CanCH Ha'Aretz Gimel Northern Confidence (Cybelle)<br><br><b>Sire:</b> CH Ha'Aretz Pei Mishacam<br><br><b>Dam:</b> CH Ha'Aretz TZ Starlite   |
| <b>Owner &amp; Breeder:</b> Cathi Oskow<br>Mazel Tov   | AKC Champion | CH Mazel Tov Hatikvah, CDCA-HC (Tikvah)<br><br><b>Sire:</b> AKC/UKC CH Cherrysh Fire And Rain<br><br><b>Dam:</b> CH Pleasant Hill Tovah ROM, CD, CGC, CDCA HC, ICDCA VC                              |

## Conformation, continued

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| <b>Owners:</b> Victor and Wendy Sanchez<br>MidSummer | AKC Champion | AKC, UKC, IABCA CH Renegade's Riker, CDCA HC (Jasmine)   |
| <b>Breeder:</b> Renee Kent<br>Renegade               |              | <b>Sire:</b> Velikaya's Dahav<br><b>Dam:</b> CH Hadar Ha'Aretz Tates Neshamele,<br>CGC, CDCA HC, ROM |

### American Kennel Club (AKC) Champion Title

Achieved by defeating other Canaan Dogs in the AKC breed ring, thus earning points.

### Canadian Kennel Club (CKC) Champion Title

Achieved by defeating other Canaan Dogs in the CKC breed ring, thus earning points.

## Herding

| Primary Owner                              | New Title | Reg. Name (Call Name)                       |
|--|-----------|---|
| Sally Armstrong-Barnhardt                  | CDCA-HC   | CH Tahoe Cando Too Darn Hot, CDCA-HC        |
| Denise A. Gordon                           | CDCA-HC   | Desert Star Angel of My Dreams, CDCA-HC     |
| Denise A. Gordon                           | CDCA-HC   | Desert Star's Midnight Comet, CDCA-HC       |
| Cathy Dunn                                 | CDCA-HC   | Harei Selah Keisha of Sundowner, CDCA-HC    |
| Chris Miller                               | CDCA-HC   | D&J Ha'Aretz Vertigo at River Rock, CDCA-HC |
| Carol O'Bryan                              | CDCA-HC   | CH Jealou's Got Milk O'Madriver, CDCA-HC    |
| Katherine O'Bryan                          | CDCA-HC   | Jealou's Oso De A Noche, CDCA-HC            |
| Risa Baumrind                              | CDCA-HC   | HaTikva Cherrysh Taavi Dream, CDCA-HC       |
| Charlie Sargent<br>Rosette Daville Sargent | CDCA-HCX  | CH Desert Star Running Miles, CGC, CDCA-HCX |

### Canaan Dog Club of America Herding Certified (CDCA-HC)

A Canaan Dog who passes the herding instinct test.

### Canaan Dog Club of America Herding Certificate Excellent (CDCA-HCX)

A Canaan Dog who successfully passes 3 herding instinct tests under two different judges. One test must be CDCA sanctioned.

## Rally Obedience

| Primary Owner    | Title          | Reg. Name (Call Name)w   |
|------------------|----------------|--|
| Denise A. Gordon | Rally Advanced | Ch. Madriver Samara Desert Star Dawn, CGC, RA; CDCA-PN, HCX (Smudge) |
| Mary Reck        | Rally Novice   | Arayl's Talitha of Reckcreate, CGC, HC, RN, TDI (Tally)              |

### Rally Novice Title

Entry level rally work, performing basic individual obedience-type tasks (on lead) while following a preset course.

### Rally Advanced Title

Intermediate level rally work, performing a more difficult series of individual obedience-type tasks (including jumps) while following a preset course. Advanced rally is performed off lead.

## Therapy Dog

| Primary Owner | Title | Reg. Name (Call Name)                                   |
|---------------|-------|---|
| Mary Reck     | TDI   | Arayl's Talitha of Reckcreate, CGC, HC, RN, TDI (Tally) |

# LEGISLATIVE REPORT

Submitted by  
Norma Bennett Woolf

Canaan Dog owners and breeders have been pretty well insulated from the rush of anti-dog legislation popping up all over the US. Our breed has not been named in any breed-specific-bills or regulations, and we have so few breeders that zoning, kennel licensing, number limits, breeding restrictions, and mandatory spay and neuter laws have not seriously affected us.

However, vigilance is necessary. Now that many shelters have vacant runs and “pet overpopulation” is no longer a big money-maker for activist treasuries, anti-breeding organizations are increasing their attacks on “puppy mills.” Why do we care? After all, we all abhor the existence of substandard kennels. However, the bills the anti-purebred activists propose and promote adversely affect all responsible breeders regardless of breed. While claiming to target huge puppy mills, these laws often rope in breeders who keep fewer than ten dogs and produce few litters. In some cases, breeders must pay an additional fee to keep their dogs intact and are considered to be dog dealers if they produce a single litter.

Anti-breeding groups love these laws. Not only do they collect donations based on campaigns to close puppy mills, they also force increased costs on responsible breeders. Government agencies go along; after all, without creating a low number threshold or a multi-tiered licensing scheme, they could not support the bureaucracies set up to enforce these laws.

The federal proposal known as PAWS (the Pet Animal Welfare Statute) is a case in point: activist groups back PAWS to legitimize the concept that appropriate dog care is based on numbers of dogs housed and numbers



of litters bred, not on the purpose for which the dogs are raised. Current law limits federal oversight to commercial kennels; SB 1139 would expand coverage to conscientious breeders who produce puppies to protect and promote a breed. SB 1139 died in this session of Congress but is likely to reappear in some form next year.

Owners of breeding kennels in Ohio are facing a draft bill that licenses all kennels with more than eight breeding dogs and requires all breeders who sell even a single puppy to apply for a vendor’s license regardless of the number of dogs they own. The publicity for this bill claims that it is needed to get rid of puppy mills where dozens or hundreds of dogs are kept in bad conditions. The bill bans the use of most crates except for transport; requires surety bonds as a hedge against impoundment; sets minimum grooming and veterinary care requirements; appears to allow impoundments for fuzzy reasons; requires criminal background checks for kennel owners; limits access to the courts for a breeder whose dogs have been impounded; and places responsibility for enforcement and administration in the State Commerce Department.

For more information about the Ohio bill, visit the website of Ohio Valley Dog Owners Inc. at <http://www.canismajor.com/orgs/ovdo> and for a look at the overall battle between dog breeders and animal rights activists, see the National Animal Interest Alliance (<http://www.naiaonline.org>).

Each issue of the *Kib* will contain a legislative report. I will answer questions about dog laws at [editor@canismajor.com](mailto:editor@canismajor.com) and will include pertinent questions in future reports.

## CDCA REGIONAL SPECIALTY TO BE HELD IN MADISON, WI

The CDCA will host a regional specialty on Saturday, May 5, 2007, in Madison, Wisconsin. The show itself will be held a half hour following the Janesville-Beloit Kennel Club Best In Show competition that same day.

The CDCA regional show will be limited to 50 Canaan Dogs; there will not be any Sweepstakes or obedience classes offered. The superintendent will be Roy Jones Dog Shows ([www.royjonesdogshows.com](http://www.royjonesdogshows.com)) and the

show chair is Keith Shank ([kshank01@msn.com](mailto:kshank01@msn.com)). The judge will be Mr. Norman L. Herbel of Putnam, Oklahoma. Premium lists will be mailed to exhibitors in February 2007; those interested in attending should contact Roy Jones Dog Shows to be included on the mailing list.

Further information regarding the show, host hotel, and show site will be published in the next issue of the *Canaan Kibitzer*.

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Find the following Canaan Dog related terms in the box above. Words can be any which way (up and down, right-reading, backwards, diagonal, etc.) Have fun!

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## New Members:

Bring out the welcome wagon, we have two new members to join our pack!

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## Everyone with a well-behaved Canaan Dog can help promote the breed!

Do you have pet fairs, dog demos, pet parades/dog "marathons," or other canine-related events in your community? Do you have a Canaan Dog that is thoroughly socialized (friendly towards people and pets) and has completed basic obedience? Then, you and your Canaan Dog can become ambassadors for the breed in your community!

Your beloved dog does not have to be show quality to participate. There is a great need to promote the Canaan Dog and any pet event in local or nearby communities makes it a wonderful opportunity to show off our desert breed. Check with your local dog training club, community newspaper, or local pet supermarket for upcoming events in your area, then show up and show off your Canaan Dog as breed ambassadors!



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## **Important Member Info for 2007 Enclosed... please see page 5**

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# THE 2007 KENTUCKIANA CLUSTER SUPPORTED ENTRY NEWS

The CDCA Board has approved a supported entry of Canaan Dogs for the Kentuckiana Cluster in Louisville, Kentucky, on March 17-18, 2007. The supported shows will be the Evansville Kennel Club and the Louisville Kennel Club (#2 show), held at Freedom Hall/Pavilion on the Kentucky State Fairgrounds.

The judges for the Evansville KC show are Mr. James White for Canaan Dog classes and Mr. Robert Stein for Herding Group competition. Judges for the Louisville KC (2) show are Ms. Patricia Laurans for the breed classes and Mr. Rick Gschwender for Herding Group competition.

Trophies will be offered by CDCA through the generosity of its members for Best Of Breed, Best Of Opposite Sex, Best Of Winners, Winners Dog and Winners Bitch for each day of the supported entry. Superintendent for the cluster is Onofrio Shows ([www.onofrio.com](http://www.onofrio.com)) and the premium list should be available on-line by January. Those wishing a hard copy should contact the superintendent directly.

The Kentuckiana Cluster is four days of all-breed shows, four days of agility trials, and three days of obedience/rally trials, making it the largest unbenched AKC dog show in America. There will be many vendors and several clinics/seminars held indoors at the show site. In addition, there are several hotels within walking distance of the show site and more within a 15-minute driving distance around the I-264 (Watterson Expressway) beltway. The Louisville International Airport is less than 10 minutes drive from the show site and serves as hub for several airlines. Further information about the supported entry shows will be published in the *Canaan Kibitzer* and the CDCA website.

