

PAPILLON CANADA



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Beyond the Conformation Ring:

By JoAnne McLeod



Ryder, owned by JoAnne Sukut, enjoying a good run at a Sprinters trial.

Wendy Wallace, JoAnne Sukut and myself are long time obedience trainers and competitors, but since falling in love with Papillons, we have branched out into other performance events. The beautiful energetic butterfly dog is a perfect partner for these endeavours!

Pre-Covid, we had so much fun travelling up and down Vancouver Island titling our dogs in Obedience, Rally, Barn Hunt, Tracking, Lure Coursing, Chasability, Canine Dressage, Canine Free Style, Scent Work (both SDDA and CKC) and Agility. During the Covid shut down, we turned to Trick Dog Training Wendy and JoAnne actually completed their Trick Dog

Championships. They also took advantage of AKC's virtual obedience and rally titles and earned titles on several of their dogs I did some training but was too daunted by the video requirements



JoAnne Sukut and Ryder, JoAnne McLeod and CASH, Wendy Wallace and Rumor accepting their first place ribbons in Canine Dressage

Papillons and Performance Events

Here are some pictures of our dogs in the various sports. All of the dogs are open males ranging in ages 4 to 11 years.

We are hoping this article will inspire other owners to work with your Papillon outside of the breed ring. Your butterfly will thrive on the extra time spent with him!

Ourselves and other Papillon owners we know are looking forward to the time when our National Specialty once again offers specialty obedience and Rally trials.

We would be there if at all possible!



Rumor on the high boardwalk in Agility

Rumor, Journey and Harris with their Trick Dog certificates, Wendy made good use of the COVID stay at home restrictions.



Quest indicating a high hide outdoors in a scent-work training class



Seven Foundations of a Successful Dog Breeder

By Jeffrey Kimes

The following article by Jonathan Jeffrey Kimes (Pluperfect Kennels, Kansas City, Missouri) is reprinted with his permission. The article first appeared in the 1996 Cardigan Welsh Corgi handbook.

Listed in this article are some axioms that I have created as a learning tool. These axioms are reflections of the temptations we face on a daily basis as dog breeders. If one were to make a similar list for any human endeavor, I doubt it would differ much from what I have listed. I think this list is one that we should all review from time to time, for it requires maturity and self-confidence to master; something we all should continue to hone throughout our lives. The ultimate payoff is the ability to succeed in and to enjoy our dog breeding careers.



David Hansen and assorted dogs.

Photo by Louann Hansen

I - ENJOY YOUR DOGS

The primary reason anyone becomes involved with dog breeding and showing is a fundamental love of dogs. We treasure the companionship, the never failing loyalty, the delight they exude. We love to have them on our beds. Their eagerness to face the new day, even when we wake them up at dreadful hours, provides us a wonderment that brings back the exuberance of childhood. They forgive us when we lose our temper, when we are impatient, when we are far

less than they are. They bring out the best of ourselves, they nurture the "big" us. Unfortunately, dog breeding and exhibiting can tempt our "little" selves. It can feed a fragile ego until it becomes a raging ego. Often, this need to feel we are better than our fellow man is expressed in our possessions. We need to have the biggest winner, the producer of the most champions, the most champion puppies. We buy, we co-own, we collect. Soon we have no time for dog pleasures, no time to play or rub a grateful belly, no time to stroke a patient brow. Soon we have no room for more dogs; we stack them and crate them and store them as though they were baubles that have no meaning but to make us feel important. We lose our ability to love. Dog showing and breeding is a great vocation. It is creative and challenging and very rewarding. But we must never expect our hobby to take the place of a psychologist's work. We must never expect an unhealthy mental state to be cured by self-indulgence. Far too many people take to showing and breeding for the wrong reasons. Their houses go to ruin, their bank accounts evaporate, their credit hits the skids, their spouses and children are left to survive on their own as the breeder pursues their own manifestation of what they perceive to prove their self-worth. Being a dog breeder is a huge commitment. It means we should assign ourselves the role of lifetime student. It means we will be humbled in countless ways and in countless circumstances. It means our lessons will be of the hard knock variety if we are to truly learn them. It means frustration, long hours, late nights and early mornings. It means never getting to sleep-in again. It means finding friendships - some of which will last for a lifetime and some of which will founder, being built on social advantage. It means being quoted and misquoted and having words put in your mouth. It means being given ample opportunity to be as "small" as a human being can be. But, hopefully, it can provide an opportunity to learn to be "big," to be generous, inquisitive, and adventurous. We should never ask ourselves if we are envied or important or successful. Those questions are meaningless. At the end of the day, we should ask ourselves, "Am I proud of the person I've become?"

What we must always be are dog lovers. We must be their advocates. We must ensure the life of every dog we breed and every dog we own is fulfilled and an illustration of humanity at its finest hour. Our vanity must not be stroked by having our pictures in a magazine or seeing our name on some ranking system. Our self-worth must come from knowing we provide our dogs a life of love, of pleasure, and of happiness.

II - BREED FOR IMPROVEMENT NOT WINNERS

It is easy to become lost in the purpose of breeding quality dogs. For some, the attraction of the bright lights, the glamour and the glitz cause them to stray from the path. Developing a bloodline that is well considered and that is a positive influence for the breed takes considerable discipline. Too often, the seemingly slow and carefully orchestrated effort to improve a breed is crossed up with the immediate desire to breed that one big winner and become famous.

The breeder's pledge must be to harbor and safeguard the breed. No breed is in perfect shape when the breeder happens upon it and none shall be perfect when they leave. But to leave a breed in better shape than it was when you came upon it is the greatest compliment. To improve type, movement, temperament and health must be the bottom line for every committed breeder.

Such accomplishment takes a long-range plan that is carefully thought through. It requires dedication and purpose. All too often, we are sidetracked by our desire to breed to the latest big winner, and then to the next and the next. Before long the pedigree is a long list of "who's who" that have no relationship to each other, other than they found success in the ring. What is key to learn (and to believe) is success in the ring is not an automatic indication of the dog's true quality. We all wish one indicated the other but that is too easy. It would require the removal of human fallacy to be accomplished!

Dogs do not excel for all the same reasons. Consequently, you can't simply breed one big winner to another and produce more big winners. Every feature and their nature of inheritance must be studied and understood before you can "manage" the inheritance variables. Once you gain this skill, you are on the road



Oakley and pups. —photo by Louann Hansen

to producing a great line of winners.

III - TO THINE OWN SELF BE TRUE

The breeding of fine purebred dogs should be considered the pursuit of perfection - it is not the maintenance of it. All dogs have faults; all dogs are less than ideal in some ways and areas. If not, the "ideal" has not been well enough conceived. It is very easy to fall into the trap of being defensive about one's own dogs. This usually happens because what we assume to be correct is challenged by another as being less so.

This disharmony causes confusion in our mind and ultimately unhappiness. To right ourselves, we often become defensive and try to rid ourselves of that which is causing us the discomfort - namely the opinion that does not complement our own.

We must realize that "truth" is the ultimate standard by which our decisions should be made. In most cases, a roached back is a roached back, whether we choose to recognize it as such or not. Consequently, the best way for us to not be put into a position of being unhappily surprised is to pursue knowledge relentlessly to ensure our opinion is as accurate and close to the "truth" as possible.

This knowledge is gained in many ways, one of which is learning from fellow breeders. We must fight the urge to make up our minds about something and refuse to consider another viewpoint. Indeed, we do

not make decisions based on facts when we are first learning; we are depending upon what we perceive to be the expertise of others to provide that for us. If that so-called expertise is, in fact, faulty, our whole knowledge base is called into question. And that causes us great anxiety.

The best place to sit is in the seat of the knowledge seeker. Whenever provided with an opinion that is different than the one you currently hold, always seek to understand the viewpoint of the other. Why does the person perceive something differently than you? Understanding another's point of view can be the road to greater knowledge. If you shut that door and do not entertain the prospect of learning something different than what you think is truth you will never actually recognize the truth and you will not succeed in your goal.

Quite honestly, you should be more critical of your dogs than anyone else could possibly be. That is not to say you should attribute faults to your dogs they do not possess, but your evaluation must be as detailed as possible and you must strive to see clearly their true faults and virtues. From this comes the map to success.

IV - DEAL WITH OTHERS AS YOU WOULD HAVE THEM DEAL WITH YOU

Sounds a bit like the golden rule that we learn in childhood. Yet it is amazing how many people forget this very important axiom. In dealing with others, regardless of the matter, think always of the other person's position. I have heard repeatedly, people state how they were



AKC ringside—photo by Louann Hansen

burned in a co-ownership agreement. All too often the agreement is geared toward benefiting one party (often the seller) over another. Written agreements somehow are tainted as being only needed in a contentious situation. This is the first misconception. Not having a written agreement should be the very rare exception, not the reverse. Too often, should a worthwhile puppy be produced from one of these undefined arrangements, the fight is on for possession. Before contemplating selling a dog on a co-ownership or leasing it or offering stud service for a puppy back, you should think through what exactly you expect and desire from such an arrangement. Too often, these business dealings occur in the spur of the moment during a telephone conversation, and the deal is struck before either party has really had an opportunity to think it through. For some reason, rather than rethinking the situation, we tend to try to follow through on such an ill conceived arrangement only to end up bitter enemies in the end. If people would stop and think about the likely end result, they would realize the best possible thing to protect the friendship is to have a written understanding.

It is very rare a litter is going to have more than one star if any at all. Consequently, it is important to understand who is going to own that super puppy, should it appear. People are too willing to tear apart relationships should one person seem to benefit a bit

more than another. This is too sad and is reflective of the self-benefit motivation that all too many find as the driving force for their actions. When pressed, it is far better to give than to receive.

It is far better to let the other seemingly benefit than to destroy a relationship and acquire the reputation of

being disreputable and self centered, if for no other reason than it makes you grow as a human being,



Louann Hansen and Moire Ure with Robbie taking Winners Dog at PCA National. -photo provided by Louann Hansen.

which is probably a fair trade off in the long run.

V - BY GIVING YOU HAVE NOTHING TO LOSE

Another pitfall breeders often experience is the inability to celebrate others' successes. While certainly we feel the route we are taking is the best way to approach that utopian plateau of breed perfection, there are actually many routes to that same goal. It takes nothing at all away from our own accomplishments to recognize the accomplished efforts of other breeders.

This inability and unwillingness to appreciate other's efforts usually comes from having made a decision not to breed to certain bloodlines or deal with certain persons. When such a kennel then produces a success, it is difficult for us to acknowledge such an achievement for we tend to find that inconsistent with our opinion of that particular person or family of dogs. It takes quite an honest and secure person to recognize and celebrate the accomplishments of others.

While it is probably good advice to hold our criticisms closer to our chest, recognizing another's achievement only brings good things. By being someone who can see the virtues in breeding lines other than your own, you gain a reputation of fairness and objectivity that is a very rare pearl in dogdom. You may find,

over time, your point of view and your philosophies are taken with much greater weight when others do not perceive them to have originated in a mind consumed with self aggrandizement. Thus, by doing so you lose nothing and yet you gain so very much.

VI - MAKE USE OF OTHERS' ACHIEVEMENTS

One of the worst situations a breeder can find her/himself in is to partition themselves off from another kennel or bloodline. It is highly unlikely that all improvements toward the perfection of a breed are going to come from one single kennel or bloodline. Like flowers in the field, they will spring up in various places. The clever breeder is the one who knows how to pick from all the field those who will make the ultimate, sublime bouquet. And to do this, you must be able to use the strengths of other kennels and bloodlines. Breeders will tend to have certain biases; and quite honestly, there are certain strengths and weaknesses in most bloodlines. While you may feel you have achieved the highest ground in certain areas, there will doubtless be other areas in which your dogs and bloodlines are less strong than others. Not to recognize this fact is to ensure you will plateau quite early in your breeding career. And by that I mean you will stabilize and go no further. You must always keep a watchful eye for that very special bloom that will enhance your bouquet.

It is this sophisticated combining of families without losing the good points of your own bloodline that strengthen a kennel and move it forward in breed importance. It takes careful consideration, orchestration and pruning to come to fruition.

VII - YOU ARE ONLY AS GOOD AS YOUR MORALS

My last axiom addresses the whole issue of morality. It has many facets and many ways of expressing itself. Spreading rumors, the accuracy of which might be doubtful, is one very good example. Selling dogs on co-owner-ships as a means to control other breeders is certainly another. Accusing other lines of genetic problems while being less than entirely honest about your own is yet another. In all, it goes to the very core of who we are. Do we know right from wrong? Do we practice right in all circumstances? Dog breeding is not about that one great win or that one great win-

ner. It is about breed improvement over time, it is about protecting a breed. Too many people are in search of some kind of sign of their self worth and they think they will obtain some special level of respect and honor if they have a big winner. Dog breeding is a lifetime's work. It is a continuum of which, no matter how quickly you want to "put yourself on the map," will ultimately be a reflection of your true character. To wit, you can't fool all of the people all of the time.

There is no honor in "adjusting" reality to give you the appearance of achieving something you have not. Politicking for wins will not make your dogs any better than they are. Faking your dogs will not make them any better than they are. You may think you can fool the world, but you will ultimately pay the price. No one wants to be a pretender. And yet, some of the worst pretenders are people who seem to be infatuated with spreading rumors about other people and dogs. These people live in glass houses and invar-

ably they know it. The breeding of dogs is not about how you impress the neighbors, your peers or anyone else.

It is the expression of your love of dogs and your personal pursuit in creating an art. You cannot lie about the art you create; you cannot lie to yourself.

While this list, I am quite sure, sounds like a sermon from the mount, it encompasses the many pitfalls that we dog breeders face every day. Some of us are equipped to navigate these disturbances better than others, but all of us CAN navigate them. We are all tested from time to time, even the most educated, psychologically balanced, intelligent and honest amongst us. There are times when it feels much better to zing someone who has been hurtful, to control those whom we feel do not have the proper motivation, to become the ones who attract the adulation. Only through careful thought and well-considered action can we hope to become better people and therefore better dog breeders.



Pups on a rose bush—photo by Louann Hansen

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Top Conformation Dogs in Canada 2019

(The CKC has recently released their top dog statistics, and the Papillon breed results have been of great interest to many. The bios herein have been provided by their owners. Compiled by Louann Hansen. – Ed)

The #1 Papillon and #9 Toy Dog for 2019 - BIS MRBIS AM CAN GCH Involò Come On Over, “Rico”. Owned and campaigned by Lori Chrusciel. Co-owned with Mary Ronald and breeders, Gia, Donna & Michael Garofalo.



Rico came to Canada in May of 2018 from one of the top kennels in the USA, Involò Papillons. While in Canada he was awarded 1 BIS, 3 RBIS and numerous group placements with his handler Terry Bernier. Rico sired two litters while with us, one of which has already gained her championship in 2019. Rico made his journey back to the USA in January 2020. We look forward to seeing everyone soon when the shows open up again. ~Lori

The #2 Papillon for 2019 - RBIS CAN AM GCH Denzel Insignia Zydeco Blues, “Zydeco”. Owned by Nicole Laver Freedman, bred by owner and Tracy Burdick.



Zydeco has been a fabulous partner since he was a youngster. He was RWD at the PCA National Specialty as a 6 month old puppy and has gone on to multiple Group placements in the US and several Group 1 and a RBIS in Canada. He qualified for Crufts twice, showing beautifully there in 2020. He is a wonderful companion and lover of all kids. It was especially fun watching him partner with a Pee Wee handler in Calgary – they had a ball together! Zydeco has always been a showman and loves being in the ring. As his breeder/owner/handler, I couldn't ask for anything more! ~Nicole

The #3 Papillon for 2019 - CAN GCH AM CH Passionpaps Infamous Adventure, “Morgan”. Bred and owned by Denise Reid.



Morgan was a winner from the very start! He won Best Baby Puppy in show twice his very first weekend out at 4 months old. He continued his streak winning Best Puppy In Specialty and Best Puppy In Sweepstakes at the Papillon Canada National Specialty in 2017. Morgan is just a joy to have around. Always willing to chase the ball and play with toys. He is driven and loves to please. He has sired some outstanding prospects as well. ~Denise

The #4 papillon for 2019 - CAN AM GCH Nanrich Valifyre Off The Radar, "Radar", owned by Richard and Nancy Lopaschuk. Bred by Kelly and Case Laan and owners.



Radar is a special boy who is very affectionate, loves puppies, is a great traveling companion and even thinks playing at agility "just for fun" is pretty neat.

2019 was a great year in the conformation ring for Radar. He was shown 6 weekends in the USA and according to Canine Chronicle was # 24 Papillon in the USA. He was shown 5 weekends in Canada garnering him #4 Papillon in Canada for 2019. He has sired some lovely puppies and recently became a Sire of Merit with the Papillon Club of America. ~Nancy

The #5 Papillon for 2019 - GCH Heaven Sent Raven to Rockalily CGN TD-ROM, "Raven", owned by Lu-Anne Clark, bred by Lisa Root.



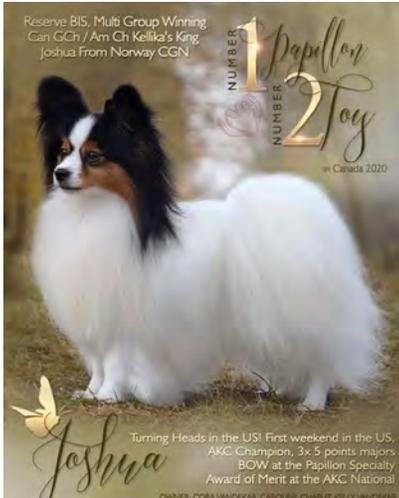
From the moment Raven arrived here in Canada we had a special bond. No matter where I am, whether at shows or just sitting comfy watching TV, he wants to be with me. From his first big boy group placing at 9 months till the last day of 2019 at just 3 yrs of age he has done all I could ever dream of or ask. All I have to say is 'show time' and he runs into his crate and waits! He sure turned out to be a very special dog and I am oh so proud of him, as is his breeder. One of the loves of my life! ~Lu-Anne



JoAnne McLeod and Cash. About this photo, JoAnne says "Cash locating the third and final article on his UTD track to become Canada's first CKC Tracking Champion Papillon I think he is still the only Papillon that has met the requirements of earning field TD, TDX and Urban TD and TDX."

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The #1 Papillon and the #2 Toy Dog for 2020 - GCH Kelika's King Joshua From Norway CGN, "Joshua" owned by Cora Vandekar, Caroline Chaput and Kelly Vandekar. Nickname: Joshy , Tootsie, Habit: Laying on Kitchen table as the King of the throne, Bad Habit: He needs a piece of everything you eat or you get the attitude look, so he wins!



As a baby, Joshua was a stand out from the litter with his luxurious coat and willing personality. I am so thankful that my friend and his breeder at Kellika in Norway trusted us with this boy. We never intended to campaign him until his co-owner brought him out for fun at a show in December 2019. We were approached saying we should bring him out. He loves it all, travelling and showing in conformation is his thing, he literally lives for it. Flashy, eager to please and shows off like no other, he owns the ring. He is very versatile and surprisingly Sprinter Trials are also a real passion for him as well as Rally-O. To top it off he is a farm dog, living with a pack of Bernese Mountain Dogs and farm animals. We are extremely proud of what he achieved in Canada and for finishing his AM CH in one weekend with 3 - 5 point majors! We hope in 2022 Joshua will shine in Europe, but the bottom line - as long as he is having fun and enjoying it, that's what matters. His progeny are much like him and we can't wait to bring them out! We thank everybody for their support of Joshua. ~Caroline

The #2 Papillon for 2020 is GCH Denzel Zydeco Blues, "Zydeco". Owned by Nicole Laver Freedman, bred by owner and Tracy Burdick.



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The #3 Papillon for 2020 is Bluechip Rumble In The Jungle, "Rumble", bred and owned by Olga Gagne.



What a nice surprise to learn that Rumble was #3 Papillon in 2020! That was totally unexpected! Rumble was a cute, fun puppy. He loved the ring and the attention. We showed casually in the winter of 2019/2020, accumulating championship points and winning two Best Puppy in Shows. And, then Covid hit! That was the end of showing and no championship! Rumble is a young adolescent now. Hopefully, when the shows start up again, he will be out there to get that last point! ~Olga

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The #5 Papillon for 2020 is Jade By Paris, owned by Shanelle McCormick and bred by Marjorie Stroud and owner.



Jada is not only beautiful, but smart and fast. Jada excels at everything she tries and has 2 titles in Sprinters as well as her Champion Trick dog title. Her best tricks are skateboarding and surfing! During leisure time, Jada rides in Shanelle's bike basket or kayaks with her housemate and best friend Catcha. She is a very versatile dog. Jada also loves playing soccer. ~Shanelle



Nine bedraggled Paps after and afternoon swimming in the river.

Photo courtesy of JoAnne McLeod

Enrichment And Fun

Home Made Enrichment

by Victoria Barker

(Photos courtesy of Yvonne Lord)

Egg enjoys tagging along on summer trips, and when we're packing up to go on a week-long vacation, I don't bother taking along his collection of puzzles and enrichment toys. Why should I? There are lots of different exercises we can do with everyday items! Towels, boxes, newspapers, bowls of water... enrichment isn't limited to purchased puzzles.



Placing treats inside a cardboard egg carton is a fun way to challenge your dog's clever mind (and, for the more destructive papillons, a great opportunity to shred something to pieces). Pups with an affinity for ripping things apart might also enjoy

having their treats placed in a toilet paper tube with the ends folded in. It's the perfect excuse to put those sharp teeth to good use!

Crumpling strips of newspaper into balls and using them to fill a box creates a digging exercise without all the mess of dirt. Hide strong-smelling treats among the newspaper pieces, drop a treat on the top while your dog observes, and sit back to watch them rifle through the box. Aged cheddar cheese squares are a stinky favourite in my household.

You can lay out a large towel, sprinkle kibble or treats onto it, roll the towel up, and let your papillon reveal the rewards as it's unrolled inch-by-inch. For an easier lesson, try doing this exercise with a dishcloth or

something similarly small.

For the water-friendly papillons among us (and the owners who don't mind some clean-up), a fantastic summer activity is the canine version of 'bobbing for apples'. Blueberries, strawberry slices, baby carrots, and frozen cubes of broth are tempting treats that your dog might enjoy plucking out of a large bowl of water. Get creative with the treats! If it floats and attracts your dog's attention, it's fair game.

Even a washed margarine container or plastic soda bottle with holes cut out can be rolled around to release treats. The only limit to dog enrichment is your imagination.



Scatter treats on tea towel.... Roll up the towel.... But the first few times, make sure there is a bit of kibble/treat visible to the dog. To increase difficulty... tie the rag into a knot!

Canine Dementia: A Personal Experience

By Kathy French

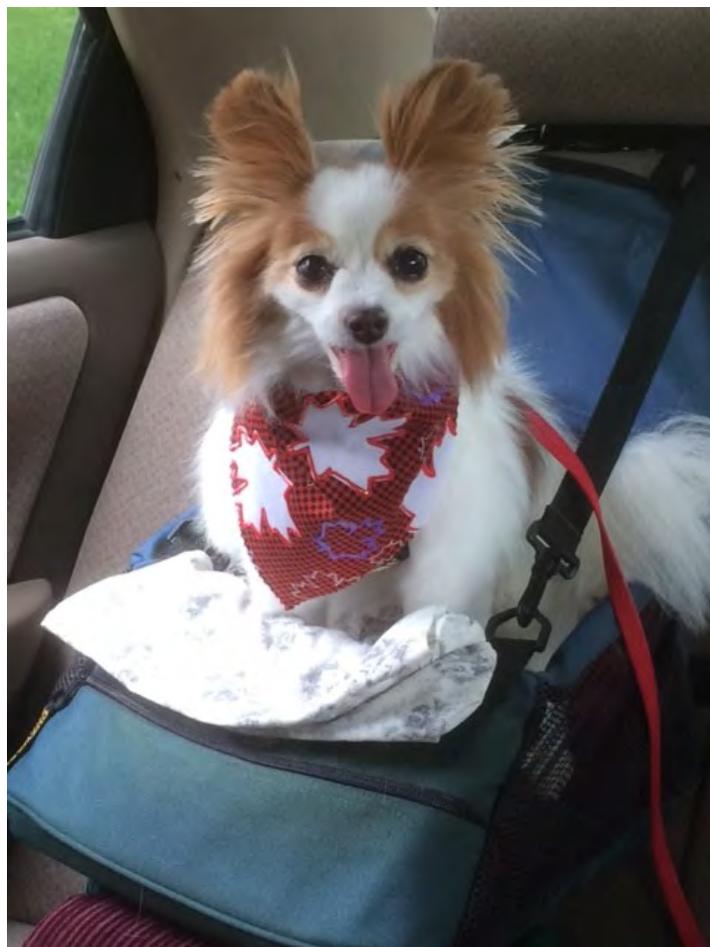
Lulu, a sweet little 7 year old Papillon entered my life just 3 days after my birthday, in December 2010. I have often been heard to remark that she was the best birthday present I ever received! My husband and I adopted Lulu through Papillon Canada Rescue, just a few weeks after we lost our first Papillon, Pekoe, to a hemangiosarcoma tumour. Pekoe was only 9 years old when he suddenly passed away in post-operative recovery to remove his tumour. We had expected him to be a part of our family for many more years. Needless to say, my husband and I were both heart-broken.

We love the Papillon breed – their intelligence and their delightful personalities, all of them different but magnificent. So we made a decision to search for another available Papillon, to adopt. At the time, we had not yet heard of “Papillon Canada,” nor had we heard of “Papillon Canada Rescue” but good old “Mr. Google” came through for us and led us to Deb & Bob Crabtree, the Papillon Canada Rescue Coordinators at the time. What a blessing it was for us to hear from them that Lulu was available for adoption, having lost her first adoptive “mama,” just a few months prior to our inquiry.

After many e-mails and phone calls back and forth, Deb Crabtree arranged for a Manitoba Papillon Canada Club member, Bertha Solar, to visit our house for a “home check,” to be sure that my husband, Roger and I were able to offer the “just right” forever home for Lulu. And so, with Bertha’s approval & Deb’s blessing, Lulu flew to us from Toronto to Winnipeg on a frigid December evening, accompanied by a West Jet “Air Angel.”

Prior to coming to live with us, Lulu had been in 4 different “foster homes,” so we were determined to make every effort to give her the best possible life. We offered the best of holistic vet care & excellent nutrition for our newly adopted Lulu, as well as stimulation in the way of enrichment activities.

We had been told that Lulu was very smart and was able to follow many basic commands, such as “sit” and “stay,” etc. But after weeks of settling into her



new home, we did not find this to be the case. As a result, we enrolled Lulu in some beginner obedience classes at which she excelled. It was only months later, when it dawned on me that perhaps, since she had originated from Quebec, she might be able to follow some basic commands in French. So my husband, whose first language is French, began to illicit responses from her in his native language – and sure enough, she excelled! How delighted we were to discover that our Lulu was trilingual – she understood French, English & “Doggerel.” In her later years, when she began to lose her hearing, we taught her simple sign language commands, at which she also excelled

Lulu was truly my “heart” dog, and her blaze was proof of that, with white markings on her head in the actual shape of a heart. She brought so much Joy to all who met her. Friends often remarked that she had the face of an Angel – to which I agreed! She enjoyed

walks around the neighbourhood, romps in the park and “Pappy Play Dates” with her Papillon friends - Shasta & Daisy; Lucie & Zoey & Pip. She loved playing with her toys, searching for treats in her Kong and oh, how she loved her meals! She loved our cat, Elvis and later our newer cats, Andy & Ella. And although initially jealous when we first adopted another rescued Papillon, Sadie, she eventually came around and enjoyed Sadie’s company as well. In short, life with Lulu and our other furry companions was perfectly idyllic – that is, until it was not.

Canine Dementia, or Canine Cognitive Dysfunction as it is formally called, is an insidious disease, which seemingly sneaks up on dogs. Or maybe it doesn’t? Perhaps if we had been aware of the possibility of the disease, we may have been more cognisant of its development. But we have since learned that Canine Cognitive Dysfunction (CDC) can initially be very challenging to diagnose. It is a “diagnosis of exclusion,” where a veterinarian must first rule out any possible reasons for symptoms described by pet parents.

When Lulu was about 13 years old, we began to notice that she was becoming incontinent at night. At first, we chalked it up to “old age” but it wasn’t long before her incontinence carried over to the daytime. A trip to the vet led to a thorough exam and a complete blood panel analysis. Lulu was prescribed Propalin, a medication used to treat urinary incontinence due to poor muscle tone in the urethral sphincter. When that medication didn’t work, another medication was prescribed, Stilbestrol, a synthetic female hormone that is often used to treat urinary incontinence in spayed female dogs. We tried Lulu on each of these medications individually and then together. They seemed to work for a little while, but not for long. So we tried fitting Lulu with a “doggy diaper” but that caused her too much distress. Finally, we invested in case loads of disposable “wee wee” pads, attempting to spread them throughout our house, wherever we thought Lulu might squat. But she always managed to do her “business” wherever there wasn’t a “wee wee” pad. Needless to say, we then invested in a good carpet shampoo machine!

Before long, we began to notice that Lulu seemed to develop signs of severe anxiety. When we sat outside on our backyard patio, enjoying the dog days of summer, Lulu began pacing around the periphery of our yard. Round and round she would go, pacing and panting, as if lost in a space that had once been familiar to her for many years. Only when we picked her

up and held her close in our arms, did she appear to calm down and relax. When back indoors, she would pace and pant, often appearing to become “stuck” in corners of rooms, unable to figure out how to turn around and navigate herself out of a corner. She also began to lack any understanding of navigating herself up and down the few stairs from our kitchen to the back door. As a result, after witnessing her “fly” down the stairs, unaware that there were multiple steps to maneuver down, my husband and I began carrying her up and down the stairs. Thankfully, after a quick trip to our vet clinic, to be sure she hadn’t broken any bones, she checked out to be physically fine. Consequently, after Lulu’s attempt at “flying,” we invested in several more baby gates, to protect her from accidentally harming herself.

As the progression of Lulu’s Canine Dementia disease increased, we began to notice severe changes in her sleep patterns, which inevitably led to severe changes in my husband’s and my sleep patterns as well. During the day, Lulu rarely slept and when she did, it only lasted for about an hour at a time. Before long, she would be up and wandering about, aimlessly. At night, we were lucky if she settled into any sleep cycle that lasted longer than an hour or two. My husband and I took nighttime “shifts,” getting up with her in the night to carry her outside to do her “business,” hoping in vain, to prevent an indoor “accident.” In an effort to slow her down at night and allow her to relax enough for a few hours of sleep, our vet prescribed Alprazolam (Xanax), but we very soon came to observe that this medication only added to her anxiety, by increasing her hyperactivity. Soon we dropped that medication from our list of possible remedies for Lulu’s lack of sleep. Eventually, in an effort to decrease Lulu’s anxiety, our vet prescribed a Benzodiazepine medication, Clonazepam, to be given to Lulu several times a day. Although this medication did lead to Lulu’s ability to relax and sleep a bit more, it was not significant enough to allow her or myself or my husband to get much sleep at night.

In due time, our vet prescribed Zentonil, a nutritional supplement to support Lulu’s liver function, Enalapril, an ACE inhibitor to support her kidney function and Amlodipine, to support her blood pressure. While my husband and I became adept at managing the 7 different medications that Lulu required, we began to wonder if she was experiencing any quality of Life at all. While Lulu was still able to walk around on her own and with help, was still able to eat her meals, we

came to the very sad conclusion that she was just “existing,” but was no longer really “living.” She appeared to no longer really know us and was no longer in relationship with us. Was it time for us to let her go?

It was around this time that I happened to come across a Canine Dementia website (www.dogdementia.com), which was an invaluable resource for me on this subject. This led me to a wonderful book by American author, Eileen Anderson, entitled, “Remember Me?: Loving and Caring for a Dog with Canine Cognitive Dysfunction.” This little book chronicles the author’s experience of living with her 15 year old Rat Terrier dog, Cricket, who was diagnosed with Canine Cognitive Dysfunction (CCD) at age 13 years. I would highly recommend this book to anyone living with a dog with CCD. Not only is it a personal diary, with suggestions for stimulating activities to maintain canine brain function, as far as possible, but the author has expertly researched the scientific literature on the subject and provides the reader with a variety of therapeutic approaches, including suggestions for prescription medications, specialty diets and supplements. For some dogs, melatonin has been effective in improving sleep. Unfortunately, this supplement did not work for our Lulu.

As far as any very specific medical treatment for CCD, there is a medication, Anipryl, that can be prescribed by a veterinarian. If the disease is diagnosed soon enough, this drug has been shown to slow the progression of CCD and may even improve a dog’s brain function, to some degree. But it does need to be prescribed at the onset of the disease, in order to be somewhat effective. In Lulu’s case, as is often the case with dogs diagnosed with CCD, by the time we received a diagnosis, it was too late for this medication to be effective.

It was only after reading the following quotes from Eileen Anderson’s Internet Blog on CCD, did I have an

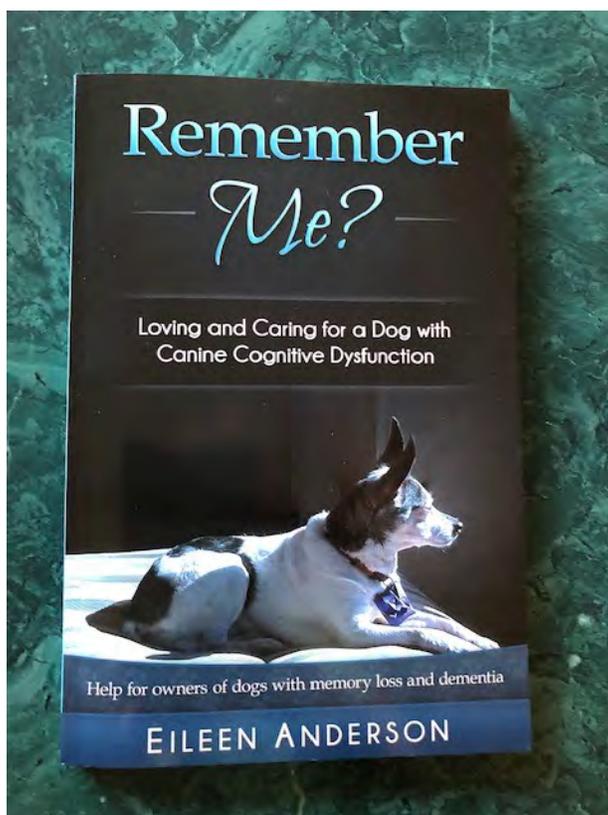
“aha” moment & come to the stark realization that it was, indeed, time to say, “Goodbye” to my beloved Lulu...

“People who can afford to give their pets good medical care usually decide to euthanize their pets when they won’t eat and start to waste away. If we feel like we can control the pain of whatever condition they might have, we take “not eating” or sometimes “unable to walk” as the main turning point. But I have come to observe that many pets are already living with pain and a poor quality of life before they refuse food or become too weak to walk.” (Eileen Anderson)

“People often say that a dog will “tell you when it’s time to go.” My opinion may not be a popular one, but I believe that when we wait for dogs to tell us, we have often waited too long. So many dogs are stoic. The day they lose one more pound and look more emaciated, can’t get up to stand, or look at us pleadingly may well come *after* they have already suffered. We can’t eliminate all suffering, but we don’t have to force them to go down this road, either because we want their companionship or we feel guilty taking our beloved dog’s life.” (Eileen Anderson)

And so it was that as Lulu lay sleeping on the couch beside me, I looked lovingly at her and with a broken heart and tears

rolling down my cheeks, I picked up the telephone and booked an appointment with my vet to humanely euthanize our very special 15 year old canine companion. My husband and I were blessed to receive the privilege of sharing this little rescued Papillon’s Life for 8 wonderful years. We will never forget the joy she brought to our lives and to the lives of so many of our family and friends. Our dogs enrich our lives beyond measure and so we owe it to them, as their caregivers, to know when it is time to let them go, however difficult that might be for us humans. May we all continue to be blessed by our canine companions, for however long we are gifted with their lives in ours.



Memories of Vaire Solandt

The late Vaire Solant (Rosvaire Perm Reg'd) was a founding Member of Papillon Canada. Vaire passed away March 28, 2019 at the age of 98 years. Memories of Vaire were published in All Ears in 2019 by several of her Papillon friends but many new members would not have access to that publication and since we are trying to feature a Life Member article in the new On-line editions that are available on the website, this edition features Vaire's history... (Nancy Lopaschuk)

Memories of Vaire Solant – submitted by Lynne Beilhartz – March 2021

I met Vaire in May of 1996, I had been looking for a Papillon for about a year but still was breeding an occasional litter of Boxers so she wanted to meet with me. I dropped in for a visit on my way to a clicker seminar with Karen Pryor and Gary Wilkes in Guelph.

I later stopped in with the Boxer I was showing at the time and visited with Vaire. She had wanted to meet my Boxers before she let me purchase my first Papillon Ch Rosvaires Rise To The Occasion CDX RX CGN and the start of my line.

Whenever I was showing in the area I would stop in to visit and often stayed at her place while attending shows in her area. We developed a friendship over the years and spoke on the phone every few weeks.

She called me in early March of 2019 to tell me her doctors wanted to put in a pacemaker and that she had declined. It was with great sadness that I heard she had passed peacefully at the end of March just past her 98 birthday

During our many conversations we discussed the Papillon standard and dogs in general. She liked a fine boned dog that was slightly longer than tall. She was concerned that the dogs were becoming longer in body and that the britches and bibs made them

look even longer. She also was concerned in the search for fine boned dogs that some were becoming too refined or as she called it "chicken boned"

Vaire immigrated to Canada from England in the sixties. She had an interesting life with her husband as he was a doctor, a scientist, and a politician. Her kennel name Rosvaire came from her name and her daughter Ros's name. She at one time bred miniature apricot poodles before the Papillons.

She discussed bringing Ch Melchesters Jeremy Figgins from England and he was in many of her pedigrees. He produced many champions for her and is a Canadian Sire of Merit.

Before I bred my first litter she had invited me to spend some time with her when she had a litter due and it was my first experience delivering what to me were very tiny puppies. She used a picture of a puppy and coloured in the markings for each new born as they were born as a way to identify each puppy. She marked their birth weight and time of birth beside each puppy and marked the daily weight of each puppy beside their drawing.

In her daily feeding regime she always fed each dog about a tablespoon of raw hamburger and ensured when I had my first girl bred that I feed her about a loonie size piece of raw liver daily. Interesting enough one of the reasons was for the folic acid in the liver. If I had a puppy that wasn't thriving to really mush up a tiny piece of raw liver and fed it to the puppy. It seems to be the precursor to the liver water now used.

Vaire was an active member of Papillon Canada and was involved in the organization and holding of the first Papillon Canada Specialty held in Ontario in 1997. She was a life member of Papillon Canada.

She was a wonderful breeder, owner, mentor and friend and is truly missed.

Vaire Solandt, Rosvaire Papillons

It is with great sadness that I inform you that one of the founding members of our club passed away on March 30, 2019 at 98 years old. I didn't know Vaire personally, but from the stories I have heard, she was a wonderful person and a dedicated breeder who did much to bring Papillons to the forefront in Canada. She helped others get started in Papillons and dogs of her breeding were found in kennels from coast to coast. Here are a few remembrances from some of our members that knew her well.

From Bett Nielsen, Gnomehaven Papillons:

Vaire was a wonderful person and a font of information on many subjects. She had a fascinating family history. I visited with her a number of times and I so enjoyed our many conversations. 30 years ago she let me stay with her while breeding my Ch. Gnomehavens Golden Farli to her Can. Am. Ch. Melchester Jeremy Figgins. After another visit she let me borrow Ch. Breezvae Black Tie at Rosvaire (Johnny), who quickly became a heart dog. Johnny's visit became permanent.
Rest in Peace Vaire.

From Terry and Donna Hawkes, Maywood Papillons:

Vaire was extremely generous to us and she helped us to get started in Papillons. We had been looking at various dog breeds and had been to a few shows and then Donna fell in love with a gorgeous tri-colored girl in an ad posted in Dogs in Canada. That ad listed Vaire Solandt as the breeder. In those days the internet was not widespread, so Donna called the number in the ad. We made arrangements to go down and visit and pulled my father in law's trailer down to Bolton and had planned to stay in a nearby camp site overnight. Vaire welcomed us, would not hear of it, and generously put us up in her downstairs suite and fed us. So began a long friendship with Vaire. As for that beautiful tri, she was Rosvaire Remember Me (Busy). Finding it very hard to find a female, we were astounded when Vaire offered to let us buy her so we could get started. So we bought that lovely girl who had 2 really good litters, and kept her until she passed at 15 year of age. I just loved that beautiful sassy girl. I know Vaire loved Busy and I am ever grateful for the sacrifice she made for us. Just a footnote here - one of the puppies from that first litter, Maywood's Panda, went on become the foundation of Belle Daris' Kinduhaven kennel. So Vaire's act of kindness kept on giving. Over the years we kept in touch and were at many shows where we were often competing. We always had a good laugh. One thing I like about Vaire is she knew exactly what she thought was a good Papillon and she taught me what to look for and how to handle a dog. I learned so much from her and will always remember her for her generous spirit. May she rest in peace surrounded by all the beautiful dogs she brought into this world.

From JoAnne Mysak, Armandia Papillons:

While I did not meet Vaire, I certainly appreciated the influence she had with Papillon Canada. Her input on Club development in its early days and breed knowledge were a great service to the Club and its members. Her legacy is the participation in the founding of the Club, a national Club, of which we can all be proud. She also contributed to national and international recognition of what Canada is doing with Papillons. She will be missed.

From John Morin:

Many years ago, Vaire and I were the only two people showing Papillons under Morley Thornton. Vaire had entered a very nice, but not show quality bitch to create a point for her show dog, as she did not know if anyone else was going to show. However, I arrived with my Dora Bella and we smilingly walked into the ring knowing that one of us was going to get a point towards a Championship, which, as we were friends, it did not matter who got the point. Morley did his thing with his flower in his lapel and at



Reports

President's Report by Louann Hansen

Summer is upon us and as vaccination number increase in Canada, things are starting to look better and better for summer activities! That includes dog shows!

The hard-working ladies in the interior of British Columbia have had their fingers crossed in hopes that we will be able to hold our National Specialty in conjunction with the West Kootenay Kennel Club on Aug 29-30. We have received permission from the Canadian Kennel Club and are just awaiting confirmation of our judges, both for the Specialty and the Sweepstakes. But things are looking great that everything will be a go! There are more details about the Specialty, the hotel accommodations and a tentative Schedule of Events elsewhere in the newsletter. I hope to see many of you there!

Yvonne Lord has been busy running on-line auctions on Facebook to raise money for the Specialty. Please head over to the Papillon Canada National Specialty 2021 Facebook page to have a look at the auction items. Updates for the Specialty will also be posted there. And we are always happy to receive donations to the general trophy fund. General Trophy fund donations go toward things like getting the perpetual trophies engraved and transported to the Specialty, buying rosettes, goodie bag loot and other Specialty expenses. Please contact Moira Ure, urem@telus.net or 250-442-0477 if you would like to donate to support the Specialty.

And we will also be holding our AGM at the National Specialty on August 30, 2021. Please contact me, Louann Hansen, louannah@nucleus.com, 403-931-2277 if you have any items that you wish to discuss.

The Board has made some changes to Rescue. Toby Hatel toby.hately@gmail.com has stepped in as Rescue Coordinator and Donna Edwards, our Treasurer is now handling the Papillon Canada Rescue accounting as well as the club accounting. You can get in touch with her at donlenpaps@aol.com. Rescue donations can be made with a cheque sent to Donna Edwards, 4580 Joanna Lane, Beamsville, ON L0R 1B1

or through e-transfer to papilloncanadarescue@gmail.com. We have relisted the various rescue co-ordinators by province so the bulk of the work does not fall on one person alone. If you know of a dog needing help or would like to volunteer as a foster home, please contact the Rescue Coordinator for your area. We are still fine tuning how things will work, so stay tuned for updates! Fortunately, we have had very few Papillons in need of rescuing this past year. Let's hope that continues! Here are the contacts for the various areas of Canada.

British Columbia – Julia Beaton - wiggles2@shaw.ca

Southern Alberta – Toby Hatel - toby.hately@gmail.com

Northern Alberta – Donna Sieben - allhappypdogs@gmail.com

Saskatchewan – Joanne Mysak - joanne.mysak@gmail.com

Manitoba – Kathy French - -rogkath@mymts.net

Ontario – Mandiee O'Brien – mandiee@rogers.com
Olga Gagne - bluechip149@sympatico.ca

Atlantic – Belle Darris - bellemdarris@gmail.com

We are again looking for a newsletter editor. Yvonne Lord has been doing the newsletter for over a year and feels that it is time for someone else to take over. Please let me know if you are interested in putting this together. The newsletter is the main form of communication for our members. It is the only forum we have to make available articles for education, health issues, club events, etc. and is a vital part of our club. Bring your enthusiasm, editing and artistic abilities and see what a difference you can make! Please contact me if you are interested!

That is it for now. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have questions or suggestions! Stay cool during this heat wave in the west and enjoy your dogs



Secretary/Membership Report by Kathy French

Spring is here in Winnipeg, after a long, cold winter here on the Prairie! As I write this, it is almost mid June and we are all enjoying the warmth of the sunshine and summer-like temperatures. It is so nice to finally be able to spend a great deal of time outdoors, especially after the Covid pandemic restrictions we have experienced this past year. The leaves on the trees & the flowers in my garden are blooming, which is enough to brighten anyone's Spirit. And I feel certain that it is "music to many ears" to hear the news that with Covid restrictions finally lessening, the 2021 Papillon Canada National Specialty is a "go" in Castlegar, B.C., August 29th & 30th.

PAPILLON CANADA BUSINESS

It has been a busy year with regard to Papillon Canada business. Again, my tasks have continued to involve communicating via email with Board members, as well as responding to emails from Club members and other Papillon fanciers. Since taking on the role of our Club's Secretary once again, I have again been managing and recording Motions, as presented and voted on by Board members. As Membership Chair, I have processed 66 membership renewals, 10 being Joint memberships & 10 being Life memberships. As well, since January 2021, I have processed 6 New Member Applications, which has included 1 Joint membership. This now brings our membership count to 83 members.

WELCOME to NEW MEMBERS

I would like to extend a warm welcome to the following new Club members...

Barbara Hay

8080 Old Kamloops Rd.

Vernon, BC

Email: barbara_hyam@shaw.ca

Sponsors: Julia Beaton & Gwen Ruddick

Barbara is involved with Conformation & Agility.

Margaret Zacher

19 – 1525 Bear Creek Rd.

Kelowna, BC

marg.zacher@gmail.com

Sponsors: Louann Hansen & Kelley Laan

Margaret is involved with Conformation, Obedience, Rally, Agility & Trick Dog.

Angelika & Neil S.

Vancouver Island, BC

Sponsors: Yvonne Lord & Moira Ure

Angelika & Neil are involved with loving & caring for their companion Pap, Chanelle.

MEMBERSHIP ROSTER

I have updated the **2021 Papillon Canada Membership Roster** and will soon email an updated edition out to all Club members. The Papillon Canada website will also be updated, with any necessary changes.

Please do not hesitate to contact me throughout the year if any additional changes and updates to the membership roster or website are necessary.

Business Cards

For \$10 per year, get 4 insertions of a business card ad. They are sized as shown, and may advertise services, puppies, stud services or retail products. (only members may advertise stud services or dogs)

Send hardcopy or a digital ad to ylord54@gmail.com



Benevolent Report

By Kathy French

CONDOLENCES

On behalf of the Papillon Canada Board of Directors, & all Papillon Canada Club members, I wish to offer my sincere condolences to Club member, **Patricia Baisi** & her husband, Dorian, whose daughter, Club member **Jennifer Milat**, passed away suddenly & unexpectedly in March 2021. Our thoughts & prayers are with Patricia & Dorian & their son, Spencer.

Kay Reid & Marjorie Stroud have written the following reflections...

"Marjorie and I first met Jenny Milat and her Mom, Patricia, nearly 20 years ago at our Papillon Picnic that was held in Lions Park, Port Coquitlam, B.C. They had recently lost their beloved Papillon and felt that coming to our Picnic would put them close to the breed that they loved so much. They looked quite out of place without a Papillon in hand, so I gave them Beau to play with for the day. That day started a lifelong friendship. A couple of years later

Jenny and Patricia took home our Sara. And later, Jenny's nephew, Spencer, took home Johnny. So that started Jenny and her family's journey into the dog show world.

We always looked forward to seeing Jenny and her family at the shows and also when they came to visit us. Jenny had a wonderful sense of humour and an infectious laugh that could brighten anyone's day. She had a kind heart and never had a bad word to say about anyone. Jenny loved the dogs and the dogs adored her, especially the puppies.

Jenny and Patricia took over hosting the World Famous Papillon Picnic in 2019, raising money for Papillon Canada Rescue & Little Paws Rescue. Unfortunately 2020 brought us COVID and the Picnic had to be cancelled. Jenny was hoping that 2021 would be a happy reunion of everyone, especially the Papillons. Sadly and suddenly, we lost Jenny. I miss our heart-to-heart talks, her humour, her laughter and her friendship."



Treasurer's Report *By Donna Edwards*

We have made a change to the accounts and I want all members to have the correct information when sending in payments.

For club funds (membership, ads etc.) you can forward an e-transfer to Donlenpaps@aol.com

For rescue funds (donations, calendars etc.) you can forward an e-transfer to Papilloncanadarescue@gmail.com

Please use message space to indicate what the funds are to be allocated to.

No security question is needed. Any funds sent via e-transfer are auto deposited.

Cheques can still be mailed to me at

4580 Joanna Lane,
Beamsville, ON L0R 1B1.

Have a good summer everyone.

Donna Edwards
Treasurer
Papillon Canada and
Papillon Canada Rescue

2021 National Specialty

Our National Specialty is less than two months away. It is getting exciting as we are all looking forward to getting back into showing our dogs. Our Papillon Canada National is being held in conjunction with the West Kootenay Kennel Club. The West Kootenay Kennel Club is holding 4 All Breed Shows and 1 Limited Group 5 Show between August 29 and September 1, 2021. This means there are 6 sets of points available.

Papillon Canada is holding our sweepstakes (Puppy and Veterans) on August 29th (later in the day to accommodate exhibitors coming over from the Cranbrook Shows) and our regular classes on August 30th. Our judges are Michael Hill and Shelley Mackie.

Judge Biographies

Michael Hill - Akarana

Show/Breeding since 1960

Breeds Bred - Pekingese, Papillons, Shetland Sheepdog

Judging since 1979

Michael Hill has judged in Argentina, Australia, Chile, Columbia, England, U.S.A., New Zealand, Venezuela

Shelley Mackie - Lilangelz

Shelley Mackie has been exhibiting mostly toys since 2008.

Shelley has bred pomeranians under the Lilangelz name since 2007

Shelley has successfully bred B.I.S. pomeranians in multiple countries. Shelley is currently working towards her C.K.C. license for Group 5.

We are really looking forward to having such esteemed judges.

Summer Circuit

The West Kootenay Kennel Club shows form part of the circuit with Cranbrook Kennel Club Shows and Skaha Kennel Club Shows. This is a lot of shows and points for our exhibitors.

Accommodations

We have a block booking with the Sandman Hotel.

The Group # is 327653. The rate will be \$99.00 + 15 % tax. There is no dog fee and no limit on dogs. The cut off for booking at this rate is August 14, 2021. Phone #250-365-8444

The West Kootenay Kennel Club has a booking with Canada's Best Value Inn and Suites - The show rate is \$95.00 + tax. There is a dog limit - 2 to 3 dogs depending on size. Book early as there is a limited number of rooms. Phone number 250-365-2177

Details on the other 2 hotels can be found in the Premium List.

There are also lovely R.V. parks around the Castlegar area. And there is R.V. parking on the show site and we hope to be all parked together - the Papillon Canada group.

Let's park close to each other at the show!

Drop me a note if you are planning on parking your R.V. on the show site so that I can let the WKKC know how many spots to set aside for our group. Please contact me if you have questions. (urem@telus.net or 250-442-0477)

We are looking into ways of providing shade for exhibitors. We will let you know the details as soon as possible.

The Dinner

There will be a meal and you can contact me, Moira, for details. We are waiting to see how the relaxation of COVID rules will affect how we can proceed. We plan to hold a mixed silent/live auction.

Many thanks to donors, sponsors and auction participants!

We would like to thank everyone who has sponsored prizes, helped with general expenses (rosette costs etc) and supported the auctions. This is much appreciated.

Yvonne is in charge of the auctions and so please let

Yvonne know if there is something you would like to donate. Thank you, Yvonne.

It takes a team to run a show and I would like to thank our team - Toby Hately, Ellen Pollock, Yvonne Lord, Chris Lavergne and Louann Hansen. If I have missed someone, it really is just me being forgetful as I really do appreciate all the help I have received.

We really look forward to seeing everyone here in stunningly beautiful Boundary country. If you have never visited this part of our lovely country, then you are in for a real treat. I look forward to seeing many of you here at our Na-



Photo by Frank LaFrance

Schedule of Events

Sunday, August 29

- Puppy and Veterans' Sweepstakes after the WKKC Best In Show is finished. Judge Shelley Mackie
- WKKC All-Breed Show

Monday, August 30

- National Specialty, Judge Michael Hill, Junior Handling Shelley Mackie
- WKKC All-Breed Show
- Papillon Canada 2001 AGM after Specialty
- Meal and Live Auction

Tuesday, August 31

- Rally and obedience scores from Tuesday trials will be used to determine Versatility and Obedience Awards
- Booster at WKKC All-Breed Show, Judge Honey Glendinning
- informal social gathering where the obedience and versatility winners will be announced

Many thanks to the following donors and sponsors

Margaret Zacher

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Joanne Mysak

Louann Hansen

Kathy French

Toby Hately

Ellen Pollock

Donna Edwards

Bett Nielsen

Jennifer Raymaakers

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Case and Kelley Laan

Kylie Wilson/Tracey Giles

Marion Ford

Olga Gagne

Carole Dyck

Barbara Hay

Carol Swan Laing

Donna Konkin

Chris Lavergne

Karen Dummett

Deirdre Ashdown

Ruth Epstein

Donna Sieben

Lou Ann King

JoAnne McLeod

Rob Ballantyne

Moire Ure

Yvonne Lord

Daiana Macuco

Cheryl Tegg

Frank LaFrance

Sandi Collins

Kylie Wilson

Kelly Reimer

Debra Robertson



Regional Reports

BC West News by Nancy Verhoog

Greeting from BC West Members

Summer is approaching...and shows are happening...I think we all are tired of being socially isolated and sure hoping our progress continues so we can see a "normal" life around the corner. I want to welcome Neil and Angelika to our membership. So excited for our Pap National in September and I hope we support our club if we can. See you at the shows..

Nancy Verhoog (Papillons Canada Director BC West)

Amore Papillons (from Patricia Baisi)

It is with great sadness that Amore' Kennels makes known the death on March 14, 2021, of Jennifer Milat, my daughter and partner in dog shows. Jenny had a massive heart attack while alone except for her papillon, Sara (Serendipity at Truluv).

Sara, after a month stay with me, was rehomed with Jennifer's boyfriend, Donald Holborn, and is doing very well.

Jenny loved the papillon breed and would have taken them all home if she could! She always tried her best at the dog shows and training classes and took to heart all the advice offered to her. We knew our puppies would probably not

win on any given day, but we continued to enter because Jenny loved being there and meeting other "dog people".

She was willing to help where ever she could and often did. She especially enjoyed helping out with the World Famous Papillon Picnic.

We would like to thank all of you who befriended Jenny and spoke kindly to her at the shows or other events. We know that she touched many hearts. We would also like to send out a special thank you to Kay Reid and Marjorie Stroud; they took Jenny under their wings and taught her the ropes of showing and owning papillons. Jenny became quite close to them, as did I and my husband.



Jennifer you will forever be missed. We hope that as you crossed the Rainbow Bridge that Wink and Darcy were there waiting to play with you and give you kisses.

Little News on the Prairie (AB, SK, MB)

by Jennifer Raymakers

Paradisewing Papillons, Jennifer Raymakers

Hey there everyone! Not much at this time to report from my household, hopefully we will have some exciting news to share with everyone in the near future

We are entered in a show! Fingers crossed it actually moves forward, sadly it will not be the papillon ring I will be making my 2021 show debut in but the sheltie ring for the Working Herding specialty mid July! Cannot express how excited I am to get back out there. Things are slower during the summer for work so I am

chomping at the bit to get out in the ring. Been hitting some outdoor handling classes and can't wait to see my boys strut their stuff in the real ring.

Here's hoping things keep moving in this positive direction and we will all be clipping those show leads back on and dusting off the show outfits.

Good luck in the next few months everyone! Hopefully we will see you out there

Jennifer

Rae Anne Papillons, Toby Hately

Rae Anne Kennels has had an exciting year! We bred Ruby to Patrick and kept two lovely babies to grow out, Sugar and Copper. This year we also bred Ruby to Radar. Ruby has had 2 girls and a boy that we will evaluate in about a month. Fancy has been bred to Arson and we are looking forward to seeing what these 2 lovelies produce. Thank you, Nancy Lopaschuk and Jennifer Raymakers for the use of your beautiful stud muffins!

I am very excited to attend this summer's list of dog shows, especially the Papillon Specialty in Castlegar, BC. I am hoping that we will all be able to have a dinner or a drink together and catch up.

I have offered to take over the Coordinator position for Papillon Canada Rescue and look forward to working with the team that have dedicated their time to these lovely butterflies.

Stay Safe, see you soon!

Toby

Riesa Papillons, Darlene and Doug Kelly

Hi everyone it has been so long since we sent in a message to the newsletter I don't know where to start. We have managed ok through this pandemic very bored and very depressing. We have a new neighbor here in Strathclair, Denise Reid from Passionpaps has moved in beside us. We spent most of last summer getting her settled in, things were very hectic. The dust has settled and it is great having a

friend so close. We have 3 new additions here at Riesa Havoc, Danica and Jemma they have been keeping us on our toes. The poor things have not seen the



inside of a ring or even training as everything here has been shut down L Heaven knows what they will do at their first show. Doug was off work for almost a year with an injury it was very different having him un-

der foot for months. Now I'm laid up with a gimpy ankle and I had better be able to show dogs when everything opens up again.

Speaking of shows....I don't think I ever bragged about our wins at the American National in Oklahoma. We did very well and most of all had tons of fun.

Denise and I are very proud that our Dominic won Best Stud dog at the American National and our Bizzy took home Best Bred by at both regionals and received her Championship. Reba received an Award of Merit and qualified for Crufts. I can't wait until we can do road trips again.



***Discover Ontario* by Vivian Hould**

Looks like we are nearly there! By the time the Newsletter comes out, maybe we will be open up. It's been a very difficult time during Covid.

In April I took my dog to the vet for her annual check-up. They found blood in her stool and she was diagnosed with a bleeding ulcer. Within the week, she wouldn't eat, wouldn't take her meds and didn't even want a treat. She also was panting a lot.

After many trips to the vet, it was obvious that she was having more difficulty breathing and possibly had a blockage in her throat. Vet did a biopsy and results showed she had cancer of the tonsils and the cancer had metastasized from somewhere else. I think it might have been her stomach.

Long story short, she was having more difficulty breathing and both my vets were concerned that she might crash during the night and I would end up at the emergency clinic. Things were not getting better but worse. So I had to make the big decision. Shasta passed away on April 14th and I was with her.

*No Longer By
my side*



*But Forever In
my heart*

In Loving Memory Of

Shasta



Well, now my other dog, Timmy, is having difficulty coping. He used to eat so well with Shasta and now he doesn't want to eat especially in the morning. I've tried different food but finally went back to the food he ate with Shasta. He usually eats something at night. I really want him to eat cause when his tummy is empty, he throws up bile. Poor little boy! He really misses his sister. He was never alone. He always had Shasta with him.

***SuperNatural (BC)* by Nancy Lopaschuk**

More than a year has gone by and here we all are still staying at home for our 2nd year of Covid, but the future does appear to look a little brighter for travel and dog events. Have been hearing news of members busy training and looking forward to shows and trials once again. Since the last issue of All Ears, we have several new club members, two of which are in Interior of BC. Welcome to Barbara Hay of Vernon and to returning Papillon Canada member, Margaret Zacher of Kelowna. Thank you to those members who have

sent in news.

Huge congratulations to members Kelley & Case Laan on Flint's (MBIS/MBISS Can GCh/ AmGChG Valifyre Freespirit Icy Sparks SOM continuing success south of the border. Flint was Select at Westminster this year and was # 1 Conformation Papillon in America in 2020 and is # 1 Papillon so far in 2021 as well. Flint also has been named as the winner of the Golden Butterfly award by the Papillon Club of America for being the

top winning Papillon in 2020.

Margaret Zacher (Ladymagic) – Kelowna BC



On May 8-9, Sailor and I ventured to the Hub City Kennel & Obedience Trials. What an adventure. It was great to experience how clubs are functioning with this new normal. I have to say the club was fantastic. We picked up several new training tips that we have to add to your routine before we get back in the ring again

with this new normal, but All in All it was a very successful trip

Sailor received - 2 High In Trial Wins, 3 High In Class (only 1/2 pt off of a 3rd HIT)

Sailor - 2 High In Trial wins - Score 197 and 196.5 - All in a 9 1/2" package

2 weeks later Sailor completed the ABC of Do-MoreWithYourDog Challenge in short order.

Multi BPIS/BPISS – PC National & Regional Award of Merit 2018 – PC National Best In Sweeps 2018 - Can



GCH, Am CH, TDCH Ladymagic Topflite Windcatcher, TDE, Can & Am RN, PCD, Can CD (Multi HIT) – Am GCH major pointed.

PRA Clear, NAD Clear, OFA Patella, OFA Cardiac, OFA Eyes

Normal, CFVII Normal, WD Normal – CHIC#140497

Sailor is Bred/Owned by: Margaret Zacher and Sandra Schumacher

Look forward to seeing everyone soon, and good luck in your future endeavors.

Kelley & Case Laan – (Valifyre Perm Reg'd) – Maple Ridge BC

Not much happening here, no Canadian shows and no litters yet this year. We did manage to get in one

weekend of camping in our health district, just across the Fraser River from our home. It was fun and we had great weather.

“Flint” MBIS/MBISS Can GCh/ AmGChG Valifyre Free-spirit Icy Sparks SOM is still strutting his stuff in the USA and has been awarded a number of RBIS, Group wins and Group placements. Recently he flew off to Tarrytown, NY with his wonderful team to attend Westminster Kennel Club show where he was awarded Select Dog. The show grounds looked very exquisite.

On a sad note, we said goodbye to the foundation of Valifyre, “Bond” BISS Can GChEx/Am Ch Freespirits For Your Eyes Only AOM, AGN AGNJ CGN. We will continue to see Bond live on through his offspring and grand offspring.

Christine Lavergne – (Chrysalis Papillons Reg) - Chilliwack BC

Big shout out to Kelley and Case Laan for producing a Canadian bred boy that strutted his way through the American circuit to Westminster in NY. Taking the select dog in breed. Congratulations to all the entrants and their teams.

Yvonne Lord & Frank LaFrance (Tiarna) – Merritt BC

Working madly on running the online auction, raising \$ for our specialty. Has some super items... more on the auction elsewhere in this issue. My training club has been crazy working on a virtual trial put on by Canadian Rally Obedience Association. Among the 7 of us, we have 52 runs... setting up 15 different courses... and trying to not exhaust our dogs. So far, Stormy has completed her Rally novice title and has 2 Qs towards her Novice Team title. She earned her first 2 Qs at a 'mini-trial' in Kamloops in April and totally charmed her judge.

Frank had quite a severe reaction to his second COVID shot, so I am avoiding mine until after the virtual trial is over... 'just in case!' Tempest has started learning agility. I figure she needs an outlet for her very high energy level!

The garden as well is keeping us busy so we are way busier than we actually want to be. Sigh! At least the summer weather appears to have actually arrived. We are looking forward to the specialty in Au-

gust but hope to get some camping and fishing in before then.

Nancy & Richard Lopaschuk (Nanrich Perm Reg'd) – Cranbrook BC

Not a lot of dog activity happening at our house other than getting together with our local kennel club members since snow has gone. We meet to walk & socialize our dogs and practice conformation, obedience & rally twice a week and the Club also has Agility drop-in sessions twice weekly.

On March 2nd, we were blessed with a singleton female puppy by C-section. Proud parents are AM/CAN CH Nanrich TopFlite Midnite Madness (Mandy) and our 11-year-old veteran AM/CAN CH Nanrich's Peter O'Doul CAN CD RA, AM RN (Peter). Of course, the section was at 3:30 A.M – aren't they all in the middle of the night? 😊 Reviving her was a bit of a task taking about 40 minutes with lots of rubbing, blow by oxygen, throat/nose suctioning, some AR and chest compressions and then the needle poke to the nasal philtrum. Vet was doubtful we would get her going or that she would survive. Happy to report she is a super outgoing puppy and very "full of herself". As Myra Savant Harris says, when trying to revive a puppy "never say never and never give up, try everything". So, her name is Nanrich TopFlite Never Say Never...call name "Never". As for what her future holds, like all puppies "only time will tell"! LOL

Some exciting news for us: AM/CAN GCH Nanrich Valifyre Off The "Radar" became a Papillon Club of America Sire Of Merit (SOM) in June. The criteria for the PCA Sire of Merit (SOM): 5 to 12 qualified offspring, including 3 or more Champions. He now has sired 6 American Champions and 7 Canadian Champions and has one Australian CH. Many of his offspring also have agility, trick dog and other performance titles despite the lack of shows during Covid thanks to many dedicated owners.

As for travel, we are so hoping the US Canada border opens soon so we can see our friends and our family in the Seattle area and meet our new 8-month-old grandson. It has been almost 2 years since we have seen the family and as long since I have exhibited at a dog show.

Hope I remember how! Been showing since 1966 and it has been a way of life for the past 55 years. Look-

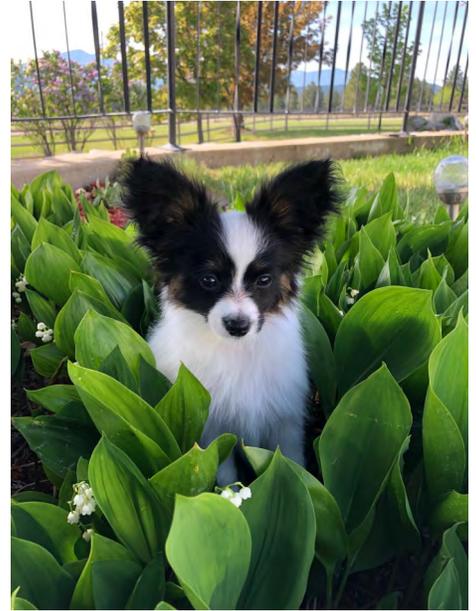


Photo by Louann Hansen

Accomplishments

Do you have a wee brag?

Send me a picture of the dog and a little bio that includes your brag. (I know, there aren't any shows or trials except down in the US.... Soon!



Frank and I are proud to announce that our Stormy has competed her rally obedience Novice title (Canadian Association of Rally Obedience, in two trials. She is now Ch. Annacott Animato Ease Into It, CRN and will soon be working on her Advanced title.



Rockalily Papillons has been keeping busy with Trick Dog Titles.



It's keeping me and the dogs active with no shows we can attend here and not sure when that may even happen. It is challenging and a good bonding experience. Keeps their little minds in play so they can't get into trouble, much!

So far three of my pups along with their owners are Trick Dog Grand Champions. Two of those continued on to be awarded Trick Dog Advanced Masters and they are not done yet with one more level to finish in their Masters! Another has also achieved Canine Conditioning Fitness Championship and a few others now working on that title plus Trick Dog Championship titles. Here at home we have two currently working on the Trick Dog Titles. They all seem to be having fun.

There are currently four dogs in the world with their Trick Dog Recognition of Merit (TD-ROM) and all four of them are owned and loved by me!! I am ever so proud.

We have a lovely 9 month old puppy that has yet to see the show rings which is so disappointing to say the least. We are very excited about this puppy and hope she gets out before her first season comes along and she blows coat. If anyone has suggestions to keep that from happening would love to hear them. She does get K9 Show Stopper each morning on her breakfast. Hoping that will help!

Hope everyone keeps safe and we get back to the show rings soon.

L.u-Anne Clark, Rockalily Papillons





Papillon Canada Rescue

by Toby Hately

Rescue has had a very quiet year. We have only had one dog come through rescue and he was adopted. Rudy has found his forever home with a very nice family. We wish Rudy good luck in his new adventures.

The board has made some changes to Rescue. It was agreed that at this time when things are slow and there is not a lot going on some changes are in order. Papillon Canada Rescue has divided up the task! Donna Edwards will be treasurer for Rescue. Kathy and Roger French will be updating the

website and keeping things current for us. I have taken the lead on coordinator for Canada.

I would like to thank Mandiee and Justin for all their hard work and their continued support of this very worthy cause. The work they have done in the past is appreciated and I personally look forward to working with them in the future. Their passion for our lovely little butterfly friends is obvious and they have been very generous with their time and efforts to see this has benefited the Papillons that have come into our care.



Papillon Canada Rescue

BC Report by Julia Beaton

As I write this Rescue Report, here in the Vancouver area, we are experiencing extremely high weather temperatures so I am taking extra care to keep my dogs cool and making sure their water bowls always have fresh water in them, with ice cubes.

Papillon Rescue has been relatively quiet lately. But I did inherit a very nice 2 year old neutered male Papillon named "Caspar." Caspar was owned & loved by one of my long time friends who was a huge supporter and volunteer with our B.C. "Little Paws Rescue" over the years. Sadly,

last month we lost Evelyn to cancer and it was Evelyn's wish, as outlined in her Will, that Caspar was to come to me after she passed away.

Caspar is a CKC registered Papillon from a breeder here on the west coast who is not a member of Papillon Canada. He's a beautiful little boy, with a very sweet personality, who was just starting his career in Agility. I have run and trained quite a few dogs in Agility and Papillons often excel in the sport as long as they have the focus and drive. However, I am noticing so far, that Caspar has not demonstrated any of these qualities and would prefer to be a beautiful family pet. So if this is the

case, he will be shared with my wonderful friend, Heather, who lives here on the Sunshine Coast.

Heather adopted a Phalene from me, through "Little Paws Rescue," just 2 years ago, after his owner passed away from heart complications. Gillian Willis was a long time member of Papillon Canada and was very involved in the Agility and Obedience activities here on the west coast. Gillian was also a very good friend of mine and a supporter of Papillon Rescue.

"Life is very precious and we should never take it for granted."

On another note...

I'm sure some of you will remember my last Rescue Report about a tiny Papillon named Zoe, who came into Rescue seeking care when her owner suffered a mental breakdown and was hospitalized. Following Zoe's recovery from surgery for bladder stones, we had no choice but to give her back to the owner when she was released from hospital. The breeder of Zoe, being one of our club members, was unable to locate her contract when she sold Zoe to this woman as a puppy, 7 years ago. This was very sad as clearly, the current owner of Zoe, should no longer own a dog, since she is unable to adequately care for Zoe.

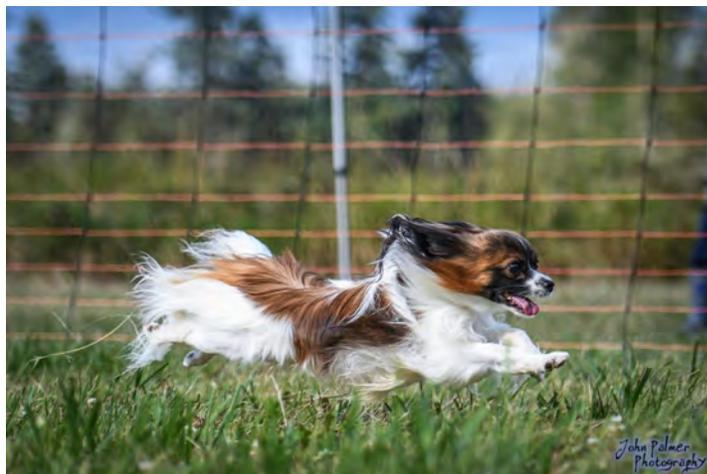
Zoe still requires much Vet care, due to her suffering multiple injuries when she was very young - breaking her two front legs at different times. Following x-rays, it was apparent that one leg had been repaired with a plate inserted. The other leg had been repaired at some point by a Vet who was neither qualified nor certified to do such surgery. The procedure was very poorly done and as a result of a few years of walking on the leg, as tiny as Zoe is, she now has a very noticeable limp, causing her body and spine to twist over as she walks. There is now no lower bone in her front leg since it has been adsorbed over the years. As a result, this has created a large callous in Zoe's

ankle. It is very difficult to watch Zoe attempt to use her leg to walk.

Our goal in "Little Paws Rescue" here in Vancouver, is to help Zoe with this by acquiring a qualified Veterinary specialist to amputate her right front leg. Following ongoing communication and x-rays, our Vet specialists have recommended that for Zoe to live and walk comfortably for the remainder of her life, the best option would be to remove her leg altogether. Three legged dogs can manage quite well and in Zoe's case, as the Vet says, she is already walking on 3 legs by holding the damaged one up, due to the uncomfortable callous forming on her ankle. This would be a surgery where "Little Paws Rescue" would cover the cost, as Zoe is no longer in the care of Papillon Canada Rescue, and her owner does not have the funds to cover a specialized surgery.

Foot note here is...

If the breeder had been able to locate the bill of sale contract when she sold Zoe to this owner as a puppy and if the contract stated, "In the event of the owner not being able to care for the dog, it must be returned to the breeder," that would have allowed for Zoe to be legally surrendered into Rescue.



Debit showing his love of running in a Sprinters Trial, -photo courtesy of JoAnne McLeod

From the Editor's Desk – by Yvonne Lord

I apologize if some of the formatting in this issue seems to be a little wonky. I was sent several items in formats that did not lend themselves to being modified to fit in well with the rest of this publication. Sigh. However, there is a lot of good information in this very full issue.



All Ears. I have been doing it now for a little over a year and my last issue will be the end of September, unless someone is willing to take it over sooner. Do let me know if you have any interest. It is a great way to get to know people who you might not otherwise interact with!

We finally got our national specialty show approved by CKC and BC and the other provinces appear to be opening up. Hooray for surviving the COVID pandemic! I am hoping that the weather will be a bit cooler for our Specialty and that the international borders may be open by then.

And you get to see lots of pictures of beautiful papillons!

As I write this, Western Canada is engulfed in a 'heat dome' and we are just cookin'. No, seriously....my side porch thermometer registered 50 degrees C and it is located in the shade. The poor dogs spend the day looking for the coolest draft from a fan that they can manage. We carry them down the steps and over to the grass to prevent burns on their feet from the cement. Hopefully this will pass soon!

As dog shows are starting up again and we have our national specialty coming, I am hoping we will have more advertising coming. Just a reminder that a full page, full colour ad only costs \$10, no matter how many photos you include! Please send your ad as a jpeg to ensure that the programs don't move bits around and mess up your layout! If you aren't comfortable with doing the layout, contact John Morin—he will do up an ad for you in exchange for a donation to the Papillon Rescue Canada! Payments for ads can go straight to our Treasurer, Donna Edwards, and

Tempest and I started taking agility classes earlier this month. What fun! And of course, once I learn some things with Tempe, I come home and teach Stormy and Levi.... So triple fun!



just note that it is for an ad in the All Ears.

The next issue will come out on September 30. Please send in any articles, photographs and other contributions before September 15th so I or a new editor will have time to do all the layout and design work!

I would like to see if there is anyone out there who might be interested in taking on the



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