



# Quarterly

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## From the Editor's Desk...

In this issue there's a handy recipe to all you to treat your dogs with some holiday leftovers, our ASFA fun match results, a Borzoi profile of Arthur, a tribute to Margaret Lucia's Sara, and a written piece to ponder. There is also the regular features of the upcoming events calendar and news from our members.



### HELP NEEDED!

Lynn Wall is looking for someone to handle trophies for the 2002 BCOA Supported Entry to be held during the Astrohall shows in July. You may email her at [flyboru@flash.net](mailto:flyboru@flash.net) or contact Lynn Shell at [gryffyn@borzoi.cc](mailto:gryffyn@borzoi.cc).

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# JANUARY

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5 Nolan River KC dog show Glen Rose, TX Sandy Simmons
6 Nolan River KC dog show Glen Rose, TX Dr. R J Berndt	7	8	9 Entries close Abilene KC	10	11	12 AAWC ASFA and AKC Lure Trials Hutto, TX
13 AAWC ASFA and AKC Lure Trials Hutto, TX	14	15	16	17	18	19 AHCD ASFA Lure Trial Fort Worth, TX
20 AHCD ASFA Lure Trial Fort Worth, TX	21	22	23	24	25	26 Abilene KC dog show Pat Trotter
27 Abilene KC dog show Mrs. G J Wanner	28	29	30	31		

# FEBRUARY

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2 GIT LGRA Meet Las Colinas, TX
3 GIT LGRA Meet Las Colinas, TX	4	5	6 Entries close Brazoria	7	8	9
10	11	12	13 Entries close Faith City	14	15	16 AAWC Lure Trials Hutto, TX
17 AAWC Lure Trials Hutto, TX	18	19	20 Entries close San Antonio cluster	21	22	23 Brazoria KC dog show C M Harris GIT NOTRA Meet Las Colinas, TX
24 Brazoria KC dog show Polly Smith GIT NOTRA Meet Las Colinas, TX	25	26	27 Entries close Houston/ Galveston Co	28		

# MARCH

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					<b>1</b>	<b>2</b> Faith City KC dog show Wichita Falls, TX D R Holloway
<b>3</b> Faith City KC dog show Wichita Falls, TX Barbara Camp	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> Entries close Fort Worth	<b>7</b> KC of Greater Victoria dog show San Antonio, TX Lorraine Boutwell	<b>8</b> Comal County KC dog show San Antonio, TX Ms S R Mason	<b>9</b> San Antonio KC dog show Eugene Blake
<b>10</b> San Antonio KC dog show Council Parker	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> Entries close Brazos Valley	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> Houston KC dog show J C Walton
<b>17</b> Galveston County KC dog show Judy Webb	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> Entries close San Jacinto	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> Texas KC dog show
<b>24</b> Fort Worth KC dog show Mrs J G Ueltschy	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b> Brazos Valley KC dog show
<b>31</b> Brazos Valley KC dog show						

# BRAGGING RIGHTS

❖ Jackie Corsette's Spinner was hauled off the couch to go ASFA coursing in LaMarque. He placed 3rd in Open and brought home 12 points. Not bad for an old man! This was also his first time to run in competition with other dogs. Flame won BOW in Waco to earn 2 more points.

❖ Carolyn Mueller's Wiggle (co-owned with Wayne, Sara and Jackie) earned another point in Belton going WB/BOW/BOS and another 2 points at Fort Bend. Gypsy (co-owned with Wayne and Sara) picked up points at Waco and Mesquite, finishing her championship at the Trinity Valley KC show in December. Carolyn's first champion!

❖ Joe and Kitty Rogers' boy TV won the breed three days during the October Oklahoma circuit. And Joe is certainly enjoying his return to the Borzoi ring!

❖ Sara Whittington and Wayne Rowe's Shimmer (co-owned with Jackie and Carolyn) took BOW/BOS under breeder/judge (and fellow club member) Sandy Simmons at the Victoria KC show to finish her championship! She is the first of her litter to finish. Brother Dazzle has had his share of ring success as well, earning points at Cy-Creek, Victoria (same day Shimmer finished) and Belton. Hawk (co-owned Martha Mueller and Jackie) earned his first two points in Waco, going BOW. On the Amarillo circuit, he went BOW on 3 of the 4 days.

❖ Lynn Shell's crew has had a busy quarter! In LGRA racing at the end of September, Arthur and Miss T finished 1-2 both days, with Nigel and Nikki (Arthur's parents) also bringing home GRC (Gaze-hound Racing Champion) points. In October, Arthur and Miss T earned NOTRA points and Miss T finished the requirements for her JOR (Junior Oval Racer) title. Arthur and Doodle also earned JOR legs and Arthur also earned an SOR (Senior Oval Racer) leg. Miss T picked up a couple points at the October Oklahoma cluster, and then won her second major at the Travis County KC show. At straight racing in November, Miss T and Doodle placed 2-3 in an entry of over 20 dogs, and then reversed their placements the next day. Miss T picked up 3 more AKC Field Champion points going BOB at a lure trial in early November, and also won her 3rd AKC FC major in December. She lacks 3 points to complete her AKC FC. She, Doodle and

Flareon (co-owned with Victor, Sara and Wayne) also picked up ASFA FC points Thanksgiving weekend, with Miss T needing 8 points and Flareon needing 20 points to finish their ASFA Field Championships. Doodle won BOB at an AKC trial in December to earn 2 more AKC FC points. She also completed her SC (Senior Courser) title. Newcomer Monkee made her US debut at the Mesquite shows, taking Reserve both days. Then the next weekend in Conroe she went WB/BOS for 2 points each day.

❖ Sandy Simmons' Aria earned her JC title in November and in December, brothers Ranger and Wilbur competed in their first ASFA lure trial. Wilbur earned 2 firsts and 24 points, and Ranger earned 2 seconds and 18 points. They're off to a good start!

❖ Richard Terry and Marion Heise's Valimir (co-owned with Sara) has had several nice Group Placements this past quarter. 2 Group Is (Texas KC, Hot Springs), 1 Group II (Greater Victoria), 2 Group IIIs (Hot Springs, Sooner State) and 2 Group IVs (Fort Worth, Clovis-Portales). Val also picked up 2 SC (Senior Courser) legs at an AKC trial in December.

❖ Susan Weinkein's Flyte won BOB at the ASFA Region IV Regional Invitational on Thanksgiving weekend to complete her ASFA Field Championship. She also won the breed the other 2 days of coursing. She's had a wonderful coursing career since her start, when she won the Grand National. She also attended the Region VII Invitational in Georgia, winning the FC Stake on Saturday and taking BOB on Sunday. She now has 100 points towards her LCM (Lure Courser of Merit) in only 3 trial, all with firsts. Susan is ecstatic to sat the least!



## **New Websites!**

check out this new website  
belonging to one of our members:

<http://www.tzirinaborzoi.homestead.com/>  
(Rhea Russo)

# WHAT IS A TITLE?

"Not just a brag,  
Not just a stepping stone to a higher title,  
Not just an adjunct to competitive scores".

"A Title is a tribute to the dog that bears it, a way to honor that dog, an ultimate memorial. It will remain in the record and in the memory for about as long as anything in this world can remain. Few humans will do as well or better in that regard, and though the dog himself doesn't know or care that his achievements have been noted, a Title says many things in the world of humans, where such things count".

"A Title says your dog was intelligent, and adaptable, and good natured. It says that your dog loved you enough to do the things that please you, however crazy they may have sometimes seemed".

"And a Title says that you loved your dog, that you loved to spend time with him because he was a good dog, and that you believed in him enough to give him yet another chance when he failed, and that in the end your faith was justified".

"A Title proves that your dog inspired you to have the special relationship enjoyed by so few, that in the world of disposable creatures, this dog with a Title was greatly loved, and loved greatly in return. And when that dear short life is over, the Title remains as a memorial of the finest kind, the best you can give to a deserving friend, volumes of praise in one small set of initials before or after the name".

A Title is nothing less than love and respect,  
given and received permanently".

by Sandy Mowery,  
making the rounds on the internet



Bella and her kitty  
by Shirley McFadden

## New Additions

Shirley McFadden's Bella whelped a litter of 6 with a Belmont Stakes theme on August 14th. Sired by Mozart, the pups' names include: War Admiral, Gallant Fox, Whirlaway, Citation, Victory Gallop, and High Echelon. Ritzy (High Echelon) has gone on to live with LSBC member Rhea Russo.

Dee and Greg Jones have welcomed a new pup into their home - a black/tan Afghan baby named Campari (Elite Lagniappe Campario) from Barbara Granger of Elite Afghans. Currently 4 months of age, he will be making his ring debut at the AHCA Breeder's Cup in March.

Lynn Shell was ecstatic to welcome into the Gryffyn's Aeyrie pack, Monkee, from Borscana Kennels in Sweden. Monkee hung out in Sweden over the summer while awaiting for the air embargo on pets to lift. She's 3 days younger than the Swordlets, born Christmas day 2000.

# **Rabrega Sweet Destiny Wyvern**

**"Sara"**

"Sweet Sara" came into this world with 12 siblings June, 1989, in my large walk-in closet that also passes as a Borzoi labor & delivery room and nursery for the first few weeks. She was out of the only litter I had out of my first Am/Can Ch Keshari's Glory of Wyvern ('Goldie', out of my first homebred litter) Goldie had been bred to Linda Mazor's fun Black Irish marked Ch Stillwater Rabrega Rhythm (a son of Ch Yadassar Minstrel and grandson of CH Stillwater Virginia Reel) Little Sara was the smallest of the litter, but very robust. She was also Goldie's 'pick' of the litter! Goldie would pick her up and



bring her into the living room, in front of the TV, and nurse just her alone. Goldie was insistent on this! I would try to return Sara to her litter nest and Goldie would simply go get her and back into the living room :-). Thus, her charmed life began.

When it came time to begin evaluating the babies in earnest, I called on Linda and we spent all day taking photos and playing with the pups, the whole nine yards. When we were all done, she asked what I had planned on doing with 'that little red and white bitch'. Don't know, I remember shrugging, I was more intrigued by the passleful of Irish marked kids. So, she stayed at Linda's house. As a young adult, Linda showed her at a few local shows, but Sara, as Linda's niece had christened her, did not like it. Linda had other bitches that needed to get out first, so little Sara was allowed to grow up. Well, Sara was not content to just sit around and became a real hussey, dare I say slut. (Which, I must say, she remained until her passing). After being very persuasive, she was bred to Linda's dog, Internat'l, Mex/Am/Can Ch Rabrega's Rustlin' Wind, Fld Ch. Wow, what a litter! A mostly bitch litter, she provided a Champion for the Dumke's, myself, Margaret Strother, Juan Vasquez and, of course, Susan Van de Water's, Peach. And one of the brothers lacked a couple of singles, but was never finished due to the owner's age.

Bred one more time, she produced a singleton litter, a gold and white male called Avatar, who quickly finished his Ch title. In the meantime, Sara's litter sister, CH Wyvern's Savanna Song was busy in her show career winning Reserve Winners bitch at the BCOA national that was here in Houston. It was suggested that while Linda and I were busy finishing other bitches, Sara could go up to Canada and Anne Drago-Kneesh could put a Canadian title on her, grow coat, then come back home. Unfortunately, Sara still hated shows with a passion, but still loved lounging in front of the TV. And since Sara usually got what she wanted, she was allowed to do just that.

In the mean time, Rabrega Borzoi moved to upstate Washington by the Canadian border. When the opportunity arose, Sara was bred to a young Rabrega male and came back home to Wyvern. True to her style, Sara produced a multi champion litter for us. Co-bred by myself and Susan, she was once again a top producer! And again, true to her style, she got out of her yard and into the boys yard while I was at the Specialty in Atlanta, (I warned Ricky she was a slut!) to hand pick her next boyfriend to produce her final litter, out of my super sweet blue boy, Levi. To prevent any more surprises, sweet Sara was spayed and lived out the rest of her life here until her recent passing in October; actually just the day after Sandy lost her Ivanna. Till the very end, she continued to do her 'dinner dance' and flirt unmercifully with the boys! Confusing them to the point that even though it was another bitch in flaming heat, with all Sara's twirling and play-bowing and stomping of her feet, she could convince them that it was really she that they wanted!

I miss her sweet, soft-spoken presence and silent barks for dinner greatly! Her influence is now carried on not only here at Wyvern, but also for Susan's Borzoi del Sol and Kitty Sawyer's Katz Borzoi. She is the grandmother to Carolyn's new champion, Gypsy and on and on. So, it just goes to show, that even though she never got the official paper claiming her to be a certified champion, She will always be one of my most outstanding Borzoi and I'm so glad I can go out and play and hug all her kids and grandkids that continue to carry on here at Wyvern!

~~Margaret Lucia

# BORZOI PROFILE

## Ch Gryffyn's Once N Future King, JC SGRC - "Arthur"

Arthur is from my "Arthurian" litter, born in March 1998 to Nikki and Nigel. The pups in the litter were all named after various Arthurian literature titles, with Arthur's name being the title of one of my favorite books which was written by T. H. White, and that particular book being one of the reasons I became hooked on Arthurian literature. He is a wonderful combination of his parents, although I could have done without him inheriting his mother's selfishness. He takes after his father with his "mama's boy" antics and is also a very devoted companion.

Arthur completed his championship completely from the Bred-By Exhibitor classes. He has also competed in AKC and ASFA lure coursing and has points from both. Currently, his greatest achievement has been in the area of LGRA straight-racing. He is an extremely quick and powerful runner. He completed his GRC (Gaehound Racing Champion) title in 2000 and ended out the year as the #1 Racing Borzoi in the nation, and #3 all-breed in LGRA. He completed the requirements for his SGRC (Superior Gazehound Racing Champion), a harder title to achieve than the GRC as there are no roll-down points, in early 2001.



On November 22, 2001, Arthur became a father with the birth of the Cirque du Soleil litter, out of Tassja. At 4 weeks of age, the pups show lots of promise with flashy markings, the majority of them tricolored like their father, and their heads look like they will be quite pretty as well. I look forward to watching them grow, with hopes that they will also be successful both in the conformation ring and on the field.

Hopefully, 2002 will see Arthur back in the conformation ring.

~~R. Lynn Shell

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## The Zoi Connoisseur

### TURKEY BALLS

still have holiday turkey left? - let your Borzoi share in the feast!

- 1 loaf uncooked bread dough or pizza dough
- 1/4 cup turkey broth
- 1-2 tsp. flour
- 3/4 cup cooked turkey, cut up small
- 1/2 cup cooked vegetables
- 1/4 tsp. garlic powder
- 1/4 grated cheese
- 1/4 cup sesame seeds



Roll out the dough and cut into 3 inch circles with cookie cutter. In a saucepan, combine the broth and flour, stirring until flour is dissolved and mixture thickens. Add the turkey, veggies, and garlic powder. Cook until mixture is heated through. Let cook a bit.

Spoon one to two teaspoonfuls of the turkey mixture onto each circle. Fold up the sides and pinch shut. Roll into a ball shape. Mix the cheese and sesame seeds in a small bowl. Roll or sprinkle each ball with the mixture. Arrange the balls on a cookies sheet. Cook in a preheated 375 degree oven for 10-15 minutes, until they are golden brown. Let cool. Store in the refrigerator.