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SPECIAL RECOGNITION AWARD goes to

Peggy Reed!

Some groups have hard workers... others creative talent... and even others commitment to the club, but few groups have one person who combines all of these talents in one person a the RMBCB has in Peggy Reed. Peggy was nominated by Nan Matthew and Renee Jarrett for the following reasons:

*For 3 years, she has been our club Secretary, a somewhat thankless job at best, faithfully recording our conversations and comments and producing excellent minutes for the board's use.

*With her boudless creative talent, she designed and executed the outstanding table decorations for the 2010 Awards Banquet which to this day is considered one of the best ever seen at a National Specialty

*Then last year, with very little notice, she put together a fantastic Colorado basket to be sold at the Auction Event at the 2012 Nationals which brought in the second highest bid amount.

*And when her beloved Mac suddenly passed away from a not-well-known illness, she tirelessly researched and studied the causes and results passing on the information to the other RMBCB members making them aware of the disease and how to watch out for it in their Beardies

For the above and many other reasons, we think Peggy deserves the 2013 Special Recognition Award.



Dear RMBCC Member:

With this summer newsletter, I would first like to sincerely thank the two outgoing Board members for their superb commitment and continued support of our club over the years. They are:

Peggy Reed, Secretary

Norm Lazarus, Director

And to welcome the new Board members: Kathy Thomas, who will be Secretary, and Laura Tappero, who is joining us as a Director. A bio for Kathy Thomas is listed further on in the newsletter.

The new Board will meet in July to plan the 2013-2014 programs and events, and we would love to hear from you about topics or subjects you would like to see RMBCC address this year.

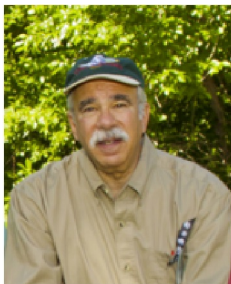
Have a lovely – and hopefully not too hot – Colorado summer!

Nan Matthews

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Thank you Norm!

Norm Lazarus, Director



Thank you Peggy!

Peggy Reed Secretary

Interesting Article from Mike Tupa. The full article can be viewed at the following link:

http://science.nbcnews.com/_news/2013/05/22/18421878-what-prehistoric-dog-burials-tell-us-about-owners#.UZzuh4i_roI.gmail

***By Jennifer Viegas
Discovery News***

An analysis of ancient dog burials finds that the typical prehistoric dog owner ate a lot of seafood, had spiritual beliefs, and wore jewelry that sometimes wound up on the dog.

The study, published in PLoS ONE, is one of the first to directly test if there was a clear relationship between the practice of dog burial and human behaviors. The answer is yes.

"Dog burials appear to be more common in areas where diets were rich in aquatic foods because these same areas also appear to have had the densest human populations and the most cemeteries," lead author Robert Losey, a University of Alberta anthropologist, told Discovery News.

The discovery negates speculation that dogs back in the day were just work animals brought along on hunting trips.

"If the practice of burying dogs was solely related to their importance in procuring terrestrial game, we would expect to see them in the Early Holocene (around 9,000 years ago), when human subsistence practices were focused on these animals," Losey continued. "Further, we would expect to see them in later periods in areas where fish were never really major components of the diet and deer were the primary focus, but they are rare or absent in these regions."

For the study, Losey and his team researched dog burials worldwide, but focused particularly on ones located in Eastern Siberia. Siberia appears to have been an ancient hotbed of dog lovers, with the earliest known domesticated dog found there and dating to 33,000 years ago. Dog burials in this region, however, span across a more recent 10,000-year period.

The researchers found that most of the dog burials in this area occurred during the Early Neolithic 7,000-8,000 years ago. Dogs were only buried when human hunter-gatherers were also being buried. When pastoralists later came through, they did not bury dogs, although they did sacrifice them from time to time.

"I think the hunter-gatherers here saw some of their dogs as being nearly the same as themselves, even at a spiritual level," Losey said. "At this time, dogs were the only animals living closely with humans, and they were likely known at an individual level, far more so than any other animal people encountered. People came to know them as unique, special individuals."

The burials reflect that association. One dog, for example, was laid to rest "much like it is sleeping." A man was buried with two dogs, one carefully placed to the left of his body, and the other to the right. A dog was buried with a round pebble, possibly a toy or meaningful symbol, placed in its mouth. Still other dogs were buried with ornaments and implements, such as spoons and stone knives.

One of the most interesting burials contains a dog wearing a necklace made out of four red deer tooth pendants. Such necklaces appear to have been a fashion and/or symbolic trend at the time, since people wore them too.

"The dog buried wearing the necklace was buried in a region where human diets were relatively rich in riverine fish," Losey said. "The dog, however, was consuming relatively little fish, having a protein diet with more emphasis on terrestrial game. This suggests the dog was likely a recent arrival in the region, and its body chemistry had not yet adjusted to the local fish diet."

All of the hunter-gatherer dogs were similar in appearance to large varieties of huskies, similar to today's Siberian huskies.

Erik Axelsson, a researcher at Uppsala University's Science for Life Laboratory, has also studied prehistoric dogs. He too found that human and dog diets, burial practices and more often paralleled each other, revealing how close the dog-human bond has been for thousands of years.

Axelsson said, "Dogs and humans share the same environment, we eat similar food and we get similar diseases."

Based on the number of burials, we also often spend eternity together too.

Braggs and Waggs!



Kim Krueger

Risa Caramel Frappuccino(Frapper) HT RN received her RN on June 1st.

Artisan Mambo in May(Tallulah) PT CGC RN received her RN on June 1st also and became versatility girl!

Renee Jarrett

Merrin, UKC and International CH Mik-Ren Blessings Where's The Action, Barkey? with three majors is now an AKC champion at the Kennel Club Show. June 2, 2013.



BJ Walker

Who says 13 is an unlucky number? Not me! Thirteen is the number of titles earned by Bryn and Brodie in 2013: earned her Championship, Rally Novice, and 2 agility titles to qualify for the Versatility Award. Brodie earned his Championship and 8 agility titles!!

It was a great and fun year to compete with both dogs. I am most proud of Bryn for earning her championship consecutive weekends with 5 point majors. She really prefers agility, and just puts up with the show ring and that goes with it. She and I have finally become an agility 'team' and we can compete with the really fast dogs 20" - one of the most competitive classes. We came in 6th out of 70 dogs last weekend in JWW. She is fast and fun!

And Brodie, who loves to show but has seemed to only do agility to please me, started loving to run courses when he entered the pre classes with 16" jumps! His attention on me is remarkable, and the pace we run is fun. We are on the long road to earning his PACH.

We had a great competitive year, but the most important aspect was just being with these two amazing dogs. Even though they are brother and sister, they couldn't be more different and both have taught me so much.

Hugs and waggy tails to all,
BJ and Beardies in Boulder



Meg Naylor

Thank you to the RMBCC's 2013 Supported Entry's judge, C. Renee Jarrett for awarding **Bi** Gemineye America's Heartthrob, Best In Sweepstakes! Bieber's sister, Joy, Gemineye's Joy Hermosa Mtn, was Best of Opposite Sex in Sweepstakes. The trophies were wonderful! Nancy also completed Joy's Canine Good Citizen title!

Nancy and Joy!
(pending picture posting for Beiber!)



Meg Naylor

CH Meadows' Emerald At Gemineye OA OAJ CGC HIC

Emie finished up her Open Agility titles this spring. On to Excellent!

Thank you from Renee

I would like to thank the membership of Rocky Mountain Bearded Collie Connection for voting me the judge position for this year's sw judge at the FlatIron Kennel Club Show June 1, 2013. The entries were lovely examples of the future of the beardies in our area. A big thank you for allowing me to judge these wonderful dogs. Renee Jarrett



We Need MORE Brags for the next newsletter!
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Aunt Beardie



Dear Aunt Beardie,

My little sister thinks she can jump up on the sofa. My people have to tell her NO way too often. She doesn't seem to understand why she is not supposed to jump on the sofa. In fact I don't understand why we can't be on the sofa like our peoples are. But do you have a special trick to keep this little girl off the sofa? I get upset when they yell No at her all the time. Can you help? Please, please, please, can you, can you?

Sofi Queen's Big Sister

Dear Sister,

Beardies love to be on the furniture. Some people don't mind it. Other people do not want dog hair and paw prints on the sofa. Apparently your people like clean furniture. You know, Sis, I also object to yelling NO to those pups for trivial infringements so natural to us, like jumping on the sofa. Being in a place of some height is a natural instinct among us canines. It goes back to our roots when we occupied the highest hill in the area to show that we were the alfa. Also, we love to be with our people and wherever the scents linger. I did find a method that worked for my little nephew when he jumped on the sofa over and over again. My people used one of those carpet protector runners. Those plastic strips that have the little sharp pegs on the bottom to hold it to the carpet. Aunt Gertie used to have them all over her house. Well, my people cut a piece just the size of the seat cushions and placed the plastic runner upside down with the little sharp pegs sticking up. Little nephew only jumped up twice before he realized that it was not so comfortable. Eventually my people were able to remove it and the little fellow was very happy to lie on the floor right next to my people. In fact sometimes my people even lie on the floor with him. That is so sweet.

Sincerely Yours,

Aunt Beardie

Dear Aunt Beardie,

I know better now, but when I was a pup I once chewed up my "mom's" shoes. I got scolded and never did that again. But now my little brother can't seem to resist my people's shoes. I growl at him when he grabs a shoe but he thinks I'm just playing and takes off to a quiet corner with the shoe and proceeds to chew it up. What makes those shoes so irresistible? How can I get him to quit chewing them?

Yours Truly,

Warren Shoes

Dear Warren,

Ahhh yes. Our people's shoes have sooooo much delicious scent in them! There is nothing like a sweat-worn pair of sneakers. Ahh, takes me back a few years... Well, truth is, shoes have stronger scents from our favorite people than nearly any other item. That's what makes them irresistible. Leather shoes smell wonderful and are also very appealing because leather is closely related to food. And those teething pups enjoy a good chew whether it is leather or cloth or wood or whatever lies within reach. Anyway the best way to keep him from chewing shoes is to keep the shoes out of his reach until he grows up. Close the closet door. Make sure your people don't leave their shoes under the bed or out in the open. I think this trick is more about training your people than training that youngster.

Sincerely,

Aunt Beardie



RMBCC ANNUAL PICNIC

The weather was perfect...the food was great...and did the Beardies have fun!

Scheduling our annual RMBCC picnic a little earlier this year proved to be a good decision as

Saturday, May 18 dawned with a slight cloud cover and cool temperatures. After putting up the tents and settling down in our lawn chairs, don't think the humans ever saw or more importantly worried about their dogs after that. The Beardies would run and run – come in the shade for a quick drink – and then back out in the ball field for more playing.

Thanks once again to Kathy Zeschin, our Hospitality Chairman, who took the RSVPs and ordered delicious sub sandwiches which quickly disappeared. Those plus the hors oeuvres, salads and desserts which everyone brought made for the perfect summer repast.

After the briefest membership meeting, Kathy Thomas handed out the 2012 awards for confirmation, agility, obedience and rally. Then everyone packed up, gave theirs and someone else's Beardie a final ear scratch and said goodbye wishing everyone a happy and enjoyable summer...."can't wait to see you next year!"

Report from the RMBCC Herding Instinct test:

We had a great turn out and a beautiful weather day on April 27, 2013. We had not held an instinct test since 2011 . We had several pups from Meg's litter as well as a few none beardies. As always , Cathy Balliu did a great job of judging and reading both the dogs and her stock. Most of the dogs were on goats which is great for beginning dogs but if they didn't do as well on goats , Cathy switched over to sheep to see if that would make a difference. So here are the participants and results. Those that passed are:

Vicki D had Bodie and Issabella
Susan H. with Willow
Linda A. with Farley
Meg N with Bieber
Mary and Fay with Wilson
Cindy W. with Izzy
Renee J with Boone

Those that would be encouraged on retrying and had some promise are:

Wendy M with smokey
Jill W. with Luna
Candy H with Pippin
Cathy S with Spanx
Renee J with Merrin

Our club loves putting on this event and seeing what these wonderful dogs can do instinctually. So thank you all to those who participated and a special thanks goes out to Nan Matthews and Doris Lazarus for helping me this year. THE paperwork can be cumbersome and to make the test go smoothly , you girls really made it easy. Certificates should be coming soon to those that passed.

Renee Jarrett
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RMBCC ANNUAL AWARDS – 2012 Conformation

Championships

Ch Brynmar's Simply Irresistible OA OAJ NF	Bryn	BJ Walker
Ch Mik-Ren's Forever Isn't Long Enough	Ginger	C. Renee Jarrett
Ch Shanaspree Tried N True	Tiara	Laura Tappero
Ch Winberlee's It's Me Eloise	Ella	JA Burgett, I Copus, R Copus

Grand Championship

GCh Britannia One in a Zillion RN HT	ZiZi	Jill Floberg, A Steltz, M Ritter
GCh Brynmar's My Love RN MX AXJ OAP NJP NF	Brodie	BJ Walker

Grand Championship- Bronze level

GCh Woodsong Pandemonium CGC HIC	Panda	Norm & Olivia Lazarus
GCh Woodsong Tangled Up in Blue CGC HIC	Luke	Norm & Olivia Lazarus

Obedience

Beginner Novice

Ch Winberlee's Picture Perfect BN RE PT	Peggy Sue	JA Burgett, I Copus, R Copus
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Graduate Novice

Ch Britannia Sebring All Time High CD BN GN RE HT	Greyson	Kathy Thomas, M Ritter, J Floberg, K Andreassend
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Rally

Rally Novice

CH Brynmar's Simply Irresistible RN OA OAJ NF	Bryn	BJ Walker
Shanaspree Midsummer Night's Dream RN	CiCi	Laura Tappero
Ch Shanaspree Tried N True RN	Tiara	Laura Tappero

Rally Advanced

Ch Britannia Sebring All Time High CD BN GN RA HT	Greyson	Kathy Thomas, M Ritter, J Floberg, K Andreassend
Ragtyme Still So Vain RA	Carly	Nan Matthews

Rally Excellent

Ch Britannia Sebring All Time High CD BN GN RE HT	Greyson	Kathy Thomas, M Ritter, J Floberg, K Andreassend
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Herding Titles

Herding Instinct Tested:

Artisan Mystic Crystal HIC	Lexi	Janet & Russ Kittel
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Herding Tested:

Artisan Mambo in May HT	Tallulah	Kim Krueger
Risa Caramel Frappuccino HT	Frappier	Kim Krueger
Artisan Mystic Crystal HT	Lexi	Janet & Russ Kittel

Pre-trial Tested:

Artisan Mambo in May HT PT	Tallulah	Kim Krueger
Artisan Mystic Crystal HT PT	Lexi	Janet & Russ Kittel

Agility Titles Novice Agility

Ragtime Mister Soul Man RN NA
CH Meadows' Emerald At Gemineye NA CGC HIC

Bailey
Emie

Nan Matthews
Meg Naylor

Agility

Open Agility

Brynmar's Simply Irresistible OA OAJ NF

Bryn

BJ Walker

Agility Excellent

Ch Brynmar's Simply Irresistible RN AX AXJ NF

Bryn

BJ Walker

Novice Agility Jumpers

Ragtime Mister Soul Man RN NA NAJ

Bailey

Nan Matthews

Open Agility Jumpers

Nonesuch Living the High Life RN OA OAJ NF

Riley

Kathy Zeschin

Excellent Agility Jumpers

Ch Brynmar's Simply Irresistible RN OA AXJ NF

Bryn

BJ Walker

Master Agility Excellent

CH Brynmar's My Love RN MX AXJ NF

Brodie

BJ Walker

Agility FAST Novice

Ragtime Mister Soul Man RN NA NAJ FN

Bailey

Nan Matthews

Novice Agility Preferred

GCH Brynmar's My Love RN MX AXJ NAP NF

Brodie

BJ Walker

Open Agility Preferred

GCH Brynmar's My Love RN MX AXJ OAP NJP NF

Brodie

BJ Walker

Agility Excellent Preferred

GCH Brynmar's My Love RN MX AXJ OAP AJP NF

Brodie

BJ Walker

Novice Agility Jumpers Preferred

GCH Brynmar's My Love RN MX AXJ NAP NJP NF

Brodie

BJ Walker

Open Agility Jumpers Preferred

GCH Brynmar's My Love RN MX AXJ NAP OJP NF

Brodie

BJ Walker

Excellent Agility Jumpers Preferred

Spindrift Cookie Monster Risa CD RN PT AX MXJ OAP AJP NF
GCH Brynmar's My Love RN MX AXJ NAP AJP NF

Grendel
Brodie

Kim Krueger, P Harris, J Dozet
BJ Walker

Versatility Award

Ch Britannia Sebring All Time High CD BN GN RA HT

Greyson

Kathy Thomas, M Ritter, J Floberg,
K Andreassend

Versatility Excellent Award

GCh Sherwood Cool Sequel at Summit CD RE PT

Audra

Kathy Thomas & Kim Raleigh



Kathy Thomas, Secretary

Beardies bounced into my life in 1984 with Oliver. The arrival of Billy in 1992, who was my first beardie to become a breed champion, encouraged me to become actively involved in the dog world (Buckhorn Valley Kennel Club and the Long's Pea Dog Training Club) and the beardie community, specifically, with membership in the RMBCB and the Bearded Collie Club of America (BCCA). Service to the RMBCB has included: President, Past President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Board Member, as well as chair and member of numerous club committees. I have also served on the BCCA obedience committee since 2001 as a member and chair (2001-2012).

My beardies have included: Kathy's Boy Oliver (Ollie; 1984-1998), Ch Beau Chien's Billy the Kid (Billy; 1991-2002), Ch Ragtyme Cool Cruisin' Claire CD RN HT (Claire; 1996-2010), Ch Sherwood Sweetheart BeauChien CD RN HT (Maureen lives with Becky and Mike Tupa), Ch Summit's Cool Reflection CD RN HSAs (Brock; 1999-2012) , Ch Summit's No Strings Attached CD RAE3 PT (Ian), GCh Ch Sherwood Cool Sequel at Summit CD RE PT (Audra), and Ch Britannia Sebring All Time High CD BN GN RE HT (Greyson).