From the Archives

t the annual meeting of the Borzoi Club of America held on February 11, 1941, the following officers were elected for 1941: President Carroll G. Stewart, Jr., vice-presidents, Mrs L. P. McConaha and George Mendel, secretary-treasurer and delegate to the AKC, Fairfield P. Day. Those chosen to serve on the board of governors are: Lady Helen Frost, Mrs Robert F. T. Gundlach, Robert Charles and Richard Bralove.

Mr Bralove, whose address is the Hotel Shoreham Washington D.C., was made chairman of the borzoi publicity committee, so as his first guest writer, I will endeavor to start the column rolling. Mr Bralove's idea, which the Club wholly approves, is to have a different individual write an article, each month, for the *Gazette*.

To finish up last year's award and announce the winners, in the natural order to follow. The three annual awards to members only are: the 1940 best of breed trophy was won by Ch Ajax of Romanoff, 22 points, owned by Mrs Carroll G. Steward, Jr., of Haverford Pa. The 1940 best of opposite sex trophy was won by Ch Merry Christmas of Mogedo, 21 points, owned by Mrs George Mendel of Toronto Ohio.

Other close contenders for these two trophies were: Ch Otrava of Romanoff, 17 points, owned by Mrs R. W. Peabody, Ch Yvonne of Mogedo, 16 points, and Ch Korichnevi Malchik of Mogedo, 15 points, both owned by Mrs Mendel; and Ch Snigouriska, C.D., 11 points, owned by F. P. Day.

Of the above mentioned dogs, it is interesting to note that Ch Ajax of Romanoff was the winner of the award in 1938, his father Ch Otrava of Romanoff, in 1939, while Ch Snigouriska, which has added the companion dog title to her credit, won the Americanbred award in 1938.

The award for the dog or bitch making the most wins in the American-bred classes for 1940 had to be declared void for the

past year. Maxine O'Barons Wood, nine wins, topped all contenders. Unfortunately the owner, Mrs. J. H. Fisher, was not familiar with the terms of the offered trophy, and had not made application for membership in

the Club in time to establish her claim for the award her dog so rightfully won.

The other dogs closest to Maxine were: Zorka Dogongai of Mogedo, and Tharmar dar Nusia of Mogedo, five wins each, both owned by Mrs G. Mendel, Sonia IV, four wins, owned by Mrs R. W. Peabody, and Great Rubinoff of Bratzlaff, four wins, owned by Mrs L. P. McConaha.

While we are still on the subject of statistics, our breed showed a splendid gain in "Stud Book" registrations, making a total gain of 30 dogs for the past year. So it does seem that there are more borzois around that are eligible to be shown or bred.

It is too bad that Mrs Mendel could not be in New York to see the clean sweep that her dogs made in the breed at the Garden, this year. It was clearly her day, and must have been a thrill to Mogedo Kennel when all the ribbons arrived home. Ch Korichnevi Malchik of Mogedo, which was best of breed, is a good one, and will bear watching in the future. He is a young dog, and looks like he has many more winning years ahead of him.

I have heard rumors, recently, that Lois Kellogg is starting to breed borzoi again. How true it is I cannot say, but those of us that are somewhat familiar with the history of the breed, hope that this may be correct. Miss Kellogg, some years ago I believe, decided to make her home in the West, and took with her some of the best breeding stock and bloodlines in the country. Those bloodlines are really needed now to help stimulate our breed. -C.G.S.

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Molly Forsyth – 153 points Elise Patti – 97 points (family member) Shannon Piquet – 39 points Logan Yankowski - 13 points Genevieve Cruickshank - 8 points Addison Patti – 7 points Isabella Morgan – 6 points Kayellen Maden – 4 points Niya Burks - 2 points Mason Shriver – 1 point Robbie Jo Lucero – 1 point

Note to ALL BCOA Club Members: Please reach out to me privately with any contact information you may have for any of the above listed Junior handlers currently not listed as BCOA club members. I will use this information to reach out to the non-club member junior handlers handling Borzoi in AKC junior showmanship competition and invite them and their families to join the Borzoi Club of America. **Note to ALL Junior BCOA Club Members**: Please feel free to contact me with any corrections or comments. Thank you! Barbara Tyler Lord

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