

BRED-BY LEGACIES

At the Borzoi national specialty the Bred-by-Exhibitor dog class has historically been the class with the greatest competition. This class has been a showcase for breeders to enter their best. Looking back, just how much have the winners of these classes influenced the breed? To see how they have demonstrated their ability to improve future generations, here is a look at five different national specialty Bred-by dog winners from approximately 30 years ago.

1986, judge Thelma Brown: American Ch. Phantom Lake Evening in Paris was a spotted tri male bred by Phyllis Brettell and Jean Dennis and owned by Phyllis and Cecilia M. Barnett. Paris was sired by Ch Crescent's Arctic Glacier out of Arnolf's Desert Glory. He sired eight litters in 1987 to 1989; five of those litters were for Phantom Lake, two co-bred with Kishniga kennel, one for Palir kennel, and the other a co-breeding with Rick LaPierre's Fire Island kennel. From Rick's litter came Fire Island Parisian Sunrise, a dog who influenced the O'Bobtor kennel of Bob Torquato. Other notable Paris offspring were Phantom Lake Kishniga Jason R, who sired three litters, Phantom Lake Rainman, Phantom Lake Kishniga Sara F, Phantom Lake Just a Gigolo, and Phantom Lake Rockin' Robin—all whose offspring continued his influence.

1987, judge Gerda Kennedy: American Ch. Rabrega Bold Buccaneer, whelped June 2, 1985, by Stillwater Rabrega Jericho out of Rabrega's Something Special, was a spotted tri dog bred and owned by Linda Mazor. He was the sire of five litters for Rabrega, two in 1988, two in 1989 and one in 1990. Fire and Smoke from the first litter out of Gala's Catch Her in the Rye, bred on through two daughters for Rabrega and Non-such. Buccaneer proved to be a good performance sire as well as a sire of conformation champions, and a couple of his most successful were Rabrega Rustlin Wind and Black Moon Rising.

1988, judge Gloria Reese: BIS/BISS American Ch. Majenkir Arcticus was an integral part of the Majenkir breeding program. He was a white and cream dog bred and owned by Majenkir kennels, born August 26, 1986. His sire was Ch. Arnov's Gerik, CD—who was Majenkir bred—and his dam the Gyrfalcon daughter

Ch. Majenkir White Linen. Arcticus was used selectively at stud, mostly by Majenkir, and was the sire of some very influential Borzoi, including Majenkir Tsuperlative, Majenkir Navron Mambrino, Majenkir India Ink, Majenkir Timotheus Seven, Majenkir Tzidera, and so many others. In total he sired 15 litters from 1986 through 1993, and he can be found behind Borzoi worldwide through those offspring.

1989, judge Lena Tamboer: American Ch Vancrest Ariston was an Irish-spotted apricot and white male bred and owned by Bonnie Nagel, born July 9, 1987. He was Majenkir crossed with Duncan lines. His sire was Ch. Vancrest Flying Nashua and dam Vancrest Viva Contessa. Ariston only sired one litter, that being for Tom and Leslie Carroll's Entwood kennel when he was bred to Pickfair's Pandora in 1991. The resulting litter included two bitches who bred on, particularly Entwood Athene, who produced at least 18 offspring.

1990, judge Lorraine Groshans: American Ch. Rising Star Durak of Sunbarr was from a successful litter born June 21, 1988. He was a white dog with red-fawn markings, bred and owned by Nadine Johnson in Colorado. Durak was sired by the top-winning English import Ch. Stonebar Sebastian and was out of Nadine's successful Ch. Penelope of Rising Star. Durak sired three litters—the first for Nadine in 1990, when he was bred back to his dam. One daughter, Jouka, went to Japan, where she had a nice career. Durak's second litter, also in 1990, was co-bred with Mary Fisher and Pat Toy of Mariza kennel and produced stars such as Mariza Rising Star Forever; Rising Star Mariza Forvr Amber, and Rising Star Mariza Filigree—all great successes in the show ring and as producers. Durak's last litter, was a litter for Pam Hall in New York state, producing her Radozny "I" litter.

Many of the offspring and their get became specialty winners. Kennels today from all parts of the U.S. still carry on the influence of these Bred-by class-winning dogs.

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