

# Bearded collie breed growing

By ROSE WEBER

It may seem sometimes that there are more than enough dogs in the area already. But in the opinion of Mrs. Bruce Baldwin of Bloomfield Hills, there aren't enough.

At least there aren't enough bearded collies. There are less than 300 in the United States and only seven in Michigan.

"We would like to get the breed recognized by the American Kennel Club (AKC) but there just aren't enough of them around yet," said Mrs. Baldwin.

Recognition by AKC would allow her to enter her dog in shows and would establish recognized standards for the breed.

Sassy is the only bearded collie in this area as far as Mrs. Baldwin knows. She is one of a litter of the seven Michigan-owned collies.

"The nearest Bearded Collie Club is in Chicago and that is too far to go for shows," Mrs. Baldwin explained.

The breed originated in Scotland and has been given the nickname of Scottish sheepdog. They are about 21 inches high at the shoulder. It has a long lean body with soft, curly undercoat covered with long, wiry, harsh outercoat.

As a puppy Sassy was copper and white, then cream and now is turning brown with white. "They are gentle good-tempered dogs. She gets along well with Scott who is 20 months old and with our daughter, Tara, who is eight years old," Mrs. Baldwin said.

She thinks Sassy will be easy to obedience train because she is sensitive and affectionate, with an intense desire to please. Mrs. Baldwin doesn't mind the necessary half hour every other day spent brushing Sassy's coat.

"Even then she still sheds. But that's a fact of life you have to put up with," she said. Unlike most long haired dogs Sassy loves the water and even the coldness of Lake Erie does not deter her.

In fact when we are invited to our neighbors to swim we have learned to leave Sassy at home," said Mrs. Baldwin, "because she is the first one in the pool."

Sassy's exuberance almost caused a tragedy recently. Released from the dog run behind the house she ran at top speed right through the glass door wall.

"Fortunately she didn't stop because it was not safety glass. Huge shards hanging from the top fell after she was through the doors."

"She only had a few glass splinters in her coat and a bewildered expression as she turned and looked at the damage," Mrs. Baldwin said.

Most of the time, however, Sassy is a gentle playmate for Duke, a 12-year-old mixed breed, and Tara's Brownie troop.

"And when Scott takes his nap, Sassy disappears to lie beside the bed for her naptime too," Mrs. Baldwin said.

She plans to enroll Sassy in obedience school in the fall.

## Secretary, named chapter treasurer

Birmingham secretary, Christine A. Bouis, has been elected treasurer of the Macomb chapter of The National Secretaries Association (NSA) (International).

She is secretary to patent attorney, Charles R. Penninger of Harness, Dickey & Pierce, in Birmingham, where she has been employed for nine years.



Mrs. Bruce Baldwin and bearded collie Sassy

## Berkshire women host lunch

The South Berkshire Women's Club will present "Summer Time Fashions" and a luncheon on June 6 at the Red Run Golf Club, Royal Oak. Cocktails begin at 11:30 a.m. with lunch scheduled at 12:30 p.m.

Lisbeth of Birmingham will present the fashions modeled by club members. Beauty Parlor of Franklin will style the models' hair.

The club's annual charity award will be presented to Dr. Richard R. Galpin, director of the neuro-education center of William Beaumont Hospital, for use where needed.

NEW OFFICERS also will be installed at the meeting by outgoing president Mrs. Krishna Kumar of Birmingham.

Incoming officers are: Mrs. Aubrey Corner of Birmingham, president; Mrs. James Suchell of Birmingham, first vice president; Mrs. James Fraus of Birmingham, second vice president; Mrs. Flora Rosario of Birmingham, recording secretary; Mrs. Richard Miller of Southfield, treasurer; and Mrs. Milton Alexander of Southfield, corresponding secretary.

General chairman of the meeting is Mrs. Robert House of Southfield. Ticket information may be obtained from 646-0256.

## Women's club sets annual luncheon

The Troy Junior Women's Club will hold its annual June luncheon on June 8th at the Paradiso Villa Restaurant, Troy.

At this time the new officers will be installed. Taking the office of president will be Mrs. Skip Robison; first vice president, Mrs. Joe Tomasic; second vice president, Mrs. Joseph Tripoli; recording secretary, Mrs. Mike Garstecki; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Jim Whitledge, and treasurer Mrs. Jack Gillian.

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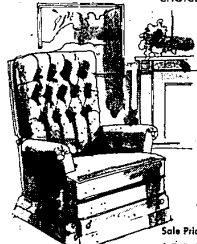
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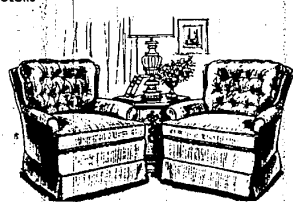


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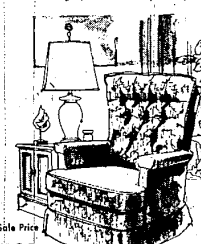
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