

Bibliography of Research Resources About The Epagneul Breton

The following bibliography of resources has been compiled by the Foundation and is provided as an educational resource for the ready reference by persons involving in studying and researching information about the Epagneul Breton breed. A brief summary of the nature of the publication and type of information contained therein is provided below certain bibliographical entries, where known. As to the books, the Foundation does not supply copies of those, but upon request, may informally assist a person in finding a copy to borrow, or by photocopying certain work where the request is not unduly voluminous. Certain articles are available in PDF format upon request.

Books:

Barbera, A. La., L'Épagneul Breton, Consiglio Siciolano, Palermo, Italy, 2009. (*language, Italian*)

This book by Dr Barbera, an E B enthusiast and FCI All Rounder Judge chronicles the history of the Epagneul Breton and the breed's development in Italy, but also contains historical references and information about the breed as developed in France.

Bourdon, Helene, L'Épagneul Breton, memoire maitrise, d'histoire, Universite Haute Bretagne, 1987. (*language, French*)

This book was written by Ms. Bourdon, a representative of the family who has operated Chenil De Cornouaille in Callace, Bretagne for several generations.

Club de l'Épagneul Breton. Club de l'Épagneul Breton, 100 Ans, Hors Série: Spécial Centenaire. City *unknown*, Club de l'Épagneul Breton. 2008. (*language, French*)

This wonderful commemorative book was prepared and released contemporaneously with the Centenaire Celebration of the Epagneul Breton on the 100th anniversary of the French Breed Club, which gathering was hosted by the CEB-France in and around Loudeac, Province of Bretagne. It contains much historical information about the breed and lists Champions of the breed by decade.

Dal'Secco, Emmanuelle. L'Épagneul Breton. Firenze: Artémis Editions, 2010. (*language, French*)

Dillon, Kathleen and Bill, The French Brittany, L'Épagneul Breton In The USA, Creative Space Independent Publishing Platform, Armour, South Dakota, 2016. (*language, English*)

This paperback book was written and is published in English and is available from Amazon.com. The authors are among the early enthusiasts of the Epagneul Breton as the breed representatives of European lineage re-emerged in the U.S.A. in the 1990's and the breed's organizational structure began to form in the western hemisphere.

Fournier, Alain. L'Épagneul Breton. Losange: Artémis Editions, 2004. (*language, French*)

A modern breed treatise by a French author containing excellent photography.

Gagniard, André. L'Épagneul Breton Chien D'Arrêt Idéal. Paris: Crepin-Leblond et cie Editeurs, 1963. (*language, French*)

A general breed treatise by a Frenchman covering the first half century of the breed's existence.

Gunther, Christian. L'Epagneul Breton, Editions De Vecchi, 1991 (*language, French*)

This general breed treatise was authored by the current president of the CEB-France.

Hammond, Ralph B. and Hammond, Robert D. Training and Hunting the Brittany Spaniel. New Jersey: A.S. Barnes and Company, Inc., 1971.

This basic training treatise was written by an American author.

Hubert, Marie-Luce and Klein, Jean-Louis. Non chien L'Épagneul Breton. Ingersheim-Colmar: Éditions S.A.E.P., 1999. (*language, French*)

This modern treatise is very basic.

Humphreys, Laure with de Wailly, Dr. Phillippe and Lavril, M. L'Epagneul Breton, Solarama, 1975 (*language, French*)

This is a compact basic treatise with information supplied by a French veterinarian and a section devoted to training/dressage which was supplied by a trainer.

Kermadec, R. De. L'Epagneul Breton, Paris; Editions, Sport Canin, Publication date unknown (*language, French*)

This early treatise was written by a Frenchman with excellent knowledge of the early history of the breed.

Le Gall, André and Bourdon, Herve. L'Épagneul Breton, L'épopée d'un chien de légende. Jean Mace: Editions Le Telegramme, 2001. (*language, French*)

A general treatise of the Epagneul Breton authored in part by a Bourdon family representative which has operated the venerable Chenil de Cornouaille Chenil located in Callac, Bretagne containing many wonderful photographs.

Lessard, Charles. L'Épagneul Breton. Editions Crepin-Leblond, 1952. (*language, French*)

A general breed treatise written by one of the early presidents of the CEB-France.

Limouzy, Christian. L'Épagneul Breton. Paris: De Vecchi S.A., 1998. (*language, French*)

Louvet, Jean. L'Épagneul Breton. City *unknown*, Crépin-Leblond, 2000. (*language, French*)

This is among the most authoritative books written focusing upon conformation of the Epagneul Breton breed and contains wonderful drawings and illustrations of various aspects of canine anatomy.

Marangoni, Umberto. L'Épagneul Breton – Piccolo-Grande Cane Da Ferma. Firenze: Editoriale Olimpia, 1981. (*language, Italian*)

A general breed treatise by an Italian author.

Munsch, R. L'Épagneul Breton, Historique Caracteristiques –Elevage. Paris: Les Editions De L'Eleveur, 1937. (*language, French*)

One of the earliest general breed treatises by a Frenchman.

Pouchain, Gaston. . L'Épagneul Breton. Maisons-Laffitte: Revue Chiens 2000, 1976. (*language, French*)

This authoritative treatise on the Epagneul Breton is a classic work, written by Mr. Pouchain who served as the very influential President of the CEB-France for many years, and who also served as President of the French Kennel Club.

Riddle, Maxwell. The Complete Brittany Spaniel. New York: Howell Book House, 1974.

This book focuses largely upon the history of the Americanized Brittany in the United States. However, Chapters One through Four contain interesting information about the earliest development of the breed, to include development of the breed in the province of Bretagne, France.

Rosenblum, Edwin E. How to Raise and Train a Brittany Spaniel. Jersey City: T.F.H. Publications, Inc., 1965.

A short treatise by an American author, which contains some basic information about the origins and early history of the breed at pages 5-15.

Société Centrale Canine. Standards de travail des chiens d'arrêt – Races britannique et continentals. Aubervilliers: Société Centrale Canine, 2004. (*language, French*)

This booklet is published by the French Kennel Club and contains information about the standard of work for the Epagneul Breton and other pointing breeds.

Smith, Stanley W.C. Bird Dogs of the World. Alton, Hants, UK: Nimrod Press, LTD, 1989.

This book was written by an Englishman. Chapter Five, pages 119-170 provides excellent information about the history of the Epagneul Breton, with excerpts from other persons with excellent knowledge of the breed, to include the late Gaston Pouchain.

Magazines/Periodicals

L'Épagueul Breton: Revue Officielle du Club, published by the CEB-France. Issues No.1-No. 112 (Most recent issue published September 2021)

This is the club magazine publication of general membership circulation of the French Breed Club for the Epagneul Breton.

L'Épagueul Breton, published by the Club de L'Épagueul Breton of the United States : Issues No.1-No.51 (recent issue published Second Semester 2021)

This is the club magazine publication of general membership circulation of the United States breed club for the Epagneul Breton.

Videos/Films:

L'Épagueul Breton, Principal Directors, Christian Dagourne and Christian Gunther, Le CEB, Year 2013. (*language, French*)

This 118 minute video produced by the committee of the CEB-France contains outstanding cinematography and footage of the breed at work and provides a history of the conformation standard. It also contains a great deal of film footage which illustrates proper gait and movement for the Epagneul Breton.

Miscellaneous Articles/Papers/Manuscripts

Andre, Dr. Catherine and Grall, Anais, Genetic Causes of the Natural Short Tail, Newspaper of Heredity (Oct. 2008), Institut de Genetique et Developpement de Rennes, University de Rennes

This concise article translated from the French language to English summarizes the results of genetic research done at the University of Rennes to determine the genetic causes of the short tail in 23 breeds of dog, to include the Brittany Spaniel.

Bordet, Jacques Francois, The Confirmation. (2009) published in L'Epagneul Breton, the membership publication of the Club de L'Epagneul Breton of the United States.

This paper details the development of the process of formally evaluating Epagneul Bretons to certify or “confirm” that an individual representative of the breed meets the official conformation standard of the breed. It also discusses the evolution of the official conformation standard for the breed in France.

Coats, G., Brittany Color Genetics (revised July 2008)

This article discusses the genetics which result in the varied colors of the Brittany.

Overby, C. Frederick, A Brief History of the Epagneul Breton: The Breed's Origins In France And More Recent Development In America (2003, revised 2015)

This paper discusses the development of the breed in France and provides a detailed analysis of how the breed evolved as a separate breed from the Americanized Brittany in the United States and western hemisphere. Available in PDF format upon request.

Overby, C. Frederick, Kinetic Conformation and the Epagneul Breton, (2012, revised 2015).

This is a detailed paper written by an American author and student of the breed. It dissects, discusses and analyzes the mechanical aspects of proper gait and movement of the Epagneul Breton. (The present manuscript will be published in booklet form in the future.) Available in PDF format upon request.

Pouchain, Gaston, How to Judge the Brittany at Shows and Field Trials, reprinted from Smith, Stanley W.C., Bird Dogs of the World, Nimrod Press, LTD, Alton Heights, UK (1989) pp. 144-148.

Pouchain, Gaston, The Colours Of The Brittany, reprinted from Smith, Stanley W. C., Bird Dogs of the World, Nimrod Press LTD, Alton Heights, UK (1989) pp 148, 150.

Pouchain Gaston, The History of the Tails, reprinted from Smith, Stanley W.C., Bird Dogs of the World, Nimrod Press LTD, Alton Heights, UK (1989) pp 150, 153, 154.

The above three articles written by a noted authority concerning the breed were originally published in Gaston Pouchain's book L'Epagneul Breton referenced above in the Books section of this bibliography. The articles were translated from the French language to English and republished by Stanley W. C. Smith, who devoted a substantial portion of his book, Bird Dogs of the World, to the Epagneul Breton breed.

Willems, Pierre, The History of the Epagneul Breton (2006)

This paper was written 8.24.2006 and originally published in the newsletter of the Norweigan Brittany Club in 2007. It is presently available on Forum de L'Epagneul Breton at www.epagneul-breton.org.

Other Authoritative Sources and Materials

Epagneul Breton Working Standard- Published by Societe Centrale Canine (French Kennel Club), 155 Avenue Jean Jaures-93535 Aubervilliers CEDEX, France

The original document is available in French from the SCC. A translation from the French language to English was done in 2009 by Reynald Lefebvre of Montreal, Canada who has been trained, formally qualified and served as a Field Trial Judge of the Epagneul Breton in Canada, France and the United States. It is available in PDF Format.

FCI Standard No. 95/ 05.05.2003 GB- The official Conformation Standard for the Epagneul Breton published by the Federation Cynologique Internationale (World Wide Canine Organization)

This is the official conformation standard for the Epagneul Breton as developed in France, the breed's country of origin. The initial version of this standard was approved and published 1908, with subsequent periodic modifications resulting in the present version. This document is considered the most authoritative source for the breed.

Official UKC Conformation Standard for the Epagneul Breton published by the United Kennel Club Inc., 100 E. Kilgore Road, Kalamazoo, Michigan, U.S.A. www.ukcdogs.com

Because the United States along with Canada and Great Britain are not constituent member countries of the Federation Cynologique Internationale (FCI) the United Kennel Club, Inc. is the only official kennel registry for the Epagneul Breton breed in the United States which maintains a studbook of purebred Epagneul Bretons. The present version of the official UKC conformation standard was published in 2003 and is virtually identical

to FCI Standard No. 95. The initial version was updated in 2015, to highlight for UKC conformation judges that the sable color in the coat constitutes a disqualifying fault. Notably, the Official UKC Conformation Standard for the Epagneul Breton formally incorporates the highly regarded artwork of Jean Louvet of France to visually illustrate important aspects of canine anatomy.

Official Website of The Epagneul Breton Foundation, Inc.- www.EpagneulBretonFoundation.org

This internet website is hosted by a non-profit foundation with 501(c)(3) status as a charitable organization conferred by the Internal Revenue Service of the United States. A principal mission of the foundation is to serve as an educational resource concerning the Epagneul Breton breed (race). Accordingly, the Foundation publishes on its website various artistic interpretations of the Epagneul Breton in a variety of mediums, articles concerning health and other articles related to the biology of the breed, along with historical and contemporary articles selected as relevant or useful to the general public's study of and interest in the Epagneul Breton breed and its history.

Museum Resources

Maison de L'Epagneul Breton, Callac, Bretagne, France

The Museum of the Epagneul Breton is located in the town square in Callac, Province of Bretagne, France. The countryside surrounding the village of Callac is where the breed originated. This modern and beautifully designed museum facility which opened in 2007 interprets and exhibits the colorful history of the breed from its earliest days by use of antique and modern photographs, original art in the form of paintings and sculptures along with pedigrees and other breed artifacts. It also employs modern technology in the form of three dimensional video presentations depicting the physical conformation of the Epagneul Breton. The museum provides a treasure trove of information and is well worth a visit.

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