PETRA VERKAIK
CHRISTINA LEARDINI  Her first MSS appearance helped launch Christina as a Playmate (April '91). Nearly three dozen more increased her following of loyal fans, but Christina was genuinely bowled over by a second Readers' Choice selection. “Out of all these beautiful BOL women, I somehow stand out. What a huge compliment!” Mizuno, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8-9.

ELISA BRIDGES  Her legion of admirers continues to grow as 23-year-old Miss December '94 breaks into the Readers' Choice ranks for the first time this year. She's hooked on boating, loves to laugh, enjoys horseback riding and sunbathes in the nude. Vital stats: 5'6", 105 pounds, 34-22-34. Kelly Scott, 10; Brett Bereny, 11.

CHLOE JONES  The sensational sexy, silver November/December '95 BOL cover may have cinched Chloe's Supermodel spot this year. True to her Texas roots, she rides horses, barrel races and speeds around in a Mustang convertible. Last we heard, she's attending mortician school, fulfilling a lifelong ambition. Mizuno, 12, 13, 14, 15.

PETRA VERKAIK  As popular among BOL and NSS readers as she is with her fellow models, Petra makes the top 20 again this year. She won the very unofficial Miss Congeniality award from cast and crew of last year’s Sexy Swimsuits NSS, and the “funny, fearless, friendly” Miss December '89 continues to captivate. On a recent Married With Children episode, “I was in Al Bundy’s dream—as a cover girl for Big Ones magazine. Hee-hee!” Back in real life, Petra just finished producing her own calendar, Pin-Up Girls. Mizuno, 16, 17, 18, 19.

CHRISSEY RANAY  With just a handful of NSS appearances, Chrissy made such a strong impression on readers that she easily made the cut. “Being a Readers' Choice selection hasn't sunk in yet, but so far it feels incredible. It’s given me a lot more confidence when I go out on auditions.” Vital stats: 5'5", 115 pounds, 34-24-35. Kelly Scott, 20, 21, 22-23, 24, 25.

SHAE MARKS  “Becoming a favorite BOL model makes all the hard work seem worthwhile. It means the photos touched people and made them smile. And it’s definitely one way to add spice to the bedroom!” Our May '94 centerfold played Tiger in Showtime’s Day of the Warrior and has been featured in Silk Stalkings, Baywatch and Married With Children. Kelly Scott, 26, 27, 28-29.

MORENA CORWIN  Miss September '92 says being selected one of the chosen few is “great for the ego, especially when times are tough.” It’s not bad for the career either. “The Readers' Choice honor is great exposure. Casting people remember you, and that is a big, big plus in this business.” Kelly Scott, 30, 31, 32, 33.

PATRICIA FORD  After walking—make that running—away with last year’s Readers' Choice choicest-of-the-choice title, Patricia remains as natural and unspoiled as her hometown of Kaneohe, Hawaii. “The BOL readers have been great to me. I wouldn’t be where I am without their support. Job offers have rolled in, thanks to them.” Sean Bolger, 34, 35, 36-37, 38, 39.

BARBARA MOORE  Roles in Baywatch, Baywatch Nights, High Tide, Platypus Man and numerous ads, posters and promotions followed her December '92 Playmate appearance. A fantasy vacation? “Ride an elephant into the depths of the African jungle, then make love in the hot summer rain among all of my fellow predators.” More realistically, she’ll rent a cabin in the Swiss Alps to “ski nude, then curl up next to a fire in a bearskin in my bare skin.” Sean Bolger, 40, 41.

KERRI KENDALL  “I believe that the more you give the more you receive. Give joy and happiness and you’ll receive joy and happiness back. Being chosen a BOL favorite is a case in point!” Despite her obvious qualifications, Kerri is not a full-time model. She lists her occupations as a “practicing minstrel witch” and a “hair extension specialist.” Her ideal man? “Crazy, hilarious, musical, mystical, spiritual, lithe, detached.” Mizuno, 42, 43, 44, 45.
LISA BOYLE  Her cover credits include the October '95 PLAYBOY, the March/April '95 and January/February '96 BOLs. She’s also landed parts in The Nutty Professor, Lost Highway, Showgirls and Bad Boys, but she won’t feel satisfied with her career until she’s won an Oscar—or a centerfold. Vital stats: 5'6", 110 pounds, 34-24-33. Gen Nishino, 46-47, 50, 51; Mizuno, 48, 49.

TINA NEW  Joining the select sorority for the first time, Tina acknowledges being flattered by all the attention her BOL layouts have generated. “I’m recognized everywhere by NSS readers. It gives you a really great feeling to be noticed and appreciated.” Her TV roles haven’t hurt her celebrity either. Viewers have seen her in Renegade, Golden Beach, L.A. Heat, Diagnosis Murder and Demon Knights. Vital stats: 5'6", 100 pounds, 36-22-32. Kelly Scott, 52, 53, 54-55.

VANESSA TAYLOR  “Modeling is a harrowing business. My work with NSS has given me more respect, more prestige and many more opportunities in the field.” On a personal note, Vanessa confided that on a first date she never makes love or tells her life story, but she always kisses goodnight and, for obvious reasons, leaves her pager at home. Mizuno, 56, 57, 58, 59.

CAMILLE DONATACCI  On a recent PLAYBOY shoot, Camille described Rollerblading buck naked in a park in Upstate New York when a park ranger drove up, “He asked us to leave, but my clothes were pretty far away. I had to hide behind the photographer, clinging to him like a vine, until I could get dressed. I almost died from embarrassment!” At last sight, our lucky lensman was still smiling—and not from embarrassment. Gen Nishino, 60, 61, 62, 63.

CATHY ST. GEORGE  More than 14 years after her Playmate appearance (August '82), Cathy still has a large, loyal following. But, then, this is the woman who once got a standing ovation at Yankee Stadium while walking to the ladies’ room, so crowd appeal is nothing new to her. Still, she is heartened that “people remember and still want to know what I’m up to.” And what is she doing? Today she’s a successful makeup artist. Kelly Scott, 64, 65.


SUNG HI LEE  Her Readers’ Choice selection was not only a personal compliment to her but a cultural victory for her heritage as well. “People’s views of exotic or Asian women are changing. It’s much nicer to hear ‘She’s pretty’ than ‘She’s pretty—for an Asian woman.’” Sung Hi’s beauty and talent recently landed her her own calendar for ’97, the lead in a film to be produced in the Far East and numerous offers for future projects. Mizuno, 70-71, 72-73, 74, 75.

CHRISTY CARRERA  She’s content enough with her 34-21-32, 105-pound figure, but at only 5'1", Christy’s fervent wish is that she would grow. “When people recognize me they always say, ‘You look so much taller in the magazine.’” Right now she’s a teacher’s aide, but with an appearance on Renegade under her belt, she’s been bitten by the acting bug. Mizuno, 76, 77, 78, 79.

MALISIA PETROPOULOS  “I’m really flattered that readers enjoy viewing my photos as much as I enjoy posing for them,” Malisia told our staff. A business management major, she hopes to open a modeling agency in five years. She likes watching pro football and basketball, sipping cappuccino in a hot tub and going to the movies. Mizuno, 80, 81, 82-83.

ALLEY BAGGETT  “This Readers’ Choice honor gives me reason to believe I can achieve all my dreams. It really means a lot to know that so many people care and think about me.” Seems that people in high Hollywood places have her on their minds, too. Alley’s under consideration for parts in a half-dozen of Tinseltown’s hottest TV shows. But in the unlikely event that showbiz dreams fizzle, she is studying to be a pediatric nurse. Gen Nishino, 84-85, 86, 87, 88, 89.