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NORWICH TERRIERS

Kinsprit Token was our Westminster star this year. Her ears ringing with applause, her tail wagging with delight, Token outshone herself both nights in Obedience demonstrations. Especially when she paused to retrieve a piece of liver—started back without her dumbbell—suddenly remembered—wheeled around and followed through. A show stopper. Her companion, Wendover Talent, raced both nights in the demonstration teams sponsored by Gaines. A Welsh and a Norwich were the only terriers, among the twenty breeds in the five teams, which raced one night before the Groups, and the next before Best in Show. "Talent's" team won both nights and this spirited red drop ear Norwich made many new friends for the breed. "Talent" and her owner Nancy Parker are well known on the Obedience circuit here and in Canada. Wendover Talent was bred by the late Mr. and Mrs. Stanford Mallory. Kinsprit Token, by Ch. Castle Point Ignite ex Nantucket Nettie, was bred by our President, Mrs. Grace Kennedy. We congratulate Nancy Parker and her two typical drop ears Talent and Token. They are wonderful Ambassadors.

Westminster drew an entry of eleven Norwich. Best of Breed was the drop ear import Ch. El Cid of Tinkinswood owned by Ruth Cooper. El Cid began his rise to fame as Best of Winners at Montgomery last October. BOS was Helen Temrell's homebred Ch. Gustylee's Bettina Brooks. Mrs. Temrell and "Bettina," who has had a most successful show career, came up from Florida into snowbound New York to represent the best of the pricked ear contingent. Pomimish Tater Chip bred and handled by Sally Baugniet was Best of Winners.

In London, two days before Westminster, Cruff's drew an entry of 42 Norwich and 36 Norfolk Terriers. Best of Breed in Norwich was Thrumpton's Lady Mel and the C. C. Dog was Thrumpton's Lord Brady. The "Thrumpton" well groomed and handled stock is a credit to their breeders Bill and Pauline Ford. In the ring was Mrs. Margaret Collins and her Eng. Am. and Can. Ch. Culswood Chipwood, just out of six months quarantine after his sojourn in the States. Lesley Bunting's two fine young stud dogs, the Champions Ragus Gaymer and Garrick were hot competition. Jenicho Pure Red with his breeder Mrs. Sheila Monckton was also a strong contender.

For the second year at Cruft's the Norfolk Best of Breed was Wemcroft Astronaut shown by his breeder Mrs. S. M. Way. "Astronaut" is one of the few Norfolk to have gone Best in Show (all breeds). Ch. Ragus Shady Lady captured the Bitch C. C. for his breeder handler Lesley Bunting.

As a compliment to the American breeders at ringside, the Norfolk Club had an American map displayed with the names of the American Norfolk (drop ear) kennels pinned on the different States. Among those in the ring whom it was a pleasure to watch with their Norfolks were Joy Taylor and Ch. Nanfin Comoldly; The Club President Miss Gillian White with her well known Ch. Salad Burnet of Vichita; Sally Thornton and her Ch. Chalbyfield Badger and Miss Alice Hazeldine whose Ickworth strain needs no introduction. Miss Hazeldine's, Ickworth Penrywise, was typical of the fine small red dogs from her kennel. The Cardidges were showing a fine young homebred Rupalo Lovebug.

Our Club news is not all good. Mrs. Powel Griffiths, the Shawnee Norwich breeder died in January. Mrs. Griffiths had served the breed and the Club with devotion. First as Trophy Chairman, then as Governor and until her death as Secretary. Annette's energy and enthusiasm were outstanding and we shall miss her. Her most influential dog was Ch. Shawnee's Cricket, the 1968 Specialty Best of Breed.

Our new Secretary is Mrs. Robert Congdon whose calm impartial approach to all Norwich and their owners augurs well for the Club. We have three new Governors. They are Mrs. Barbara Fournier in Santa Fe, New Mexico, Mrs. Thomas Yolken from Laytonsville, Maryland and James Schramberg from Radnor, Pennsylvania. Mrs. Philip Hewes has once again taken on the job of subscriptions for the Norwich News and our new Trophy Chairman is Mrs. Barbara Miller whose Max well Drop Ears are making a mark in the Norwich ring today.

This is the month to prepare for our Specialty at Huntington Valley, Sunday, June 3, 1978. The Judges will be James Reynolds and Potter Wear will do the Sweepstakes.—Mrs. Sterling Larabee, King's Prevention, Chestertown, MD 21620