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"Mom Moxie with baby Willa"

"Sometimes, said Pooh, the smallest things take up the most room in your heart."
– A.A. Milne, Winnie the Pooh Photo credit: Magda Chiarella

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Spring 2016 News Deadline

April 1, 2016 is the deadline for submitting all articles and photos for the Spring 2016 *News*. Articles may be sent to the editors at norwichterriernews@ gmail.com or to Wheatley Wentzell at 51 Main Street, South Glastonbury, CT 06073.

When sending **photos** for the *News*, please snail mail **original 35 mm photos** or e-mail high-resolution **digital photos** to norwichterriernews@gmail.com. To assure timely publication of the Spring 2016 *News*, please be sure to meet—or better yet to beat—the April 1 deadline. Thanks for your cooperation.

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Digital photos are appropriate for all sections of the *News* except the Showfront and New Title Holder sections. Because we crop Showfront and New Title Holder photos so drastically to focus on the dog, they present special problems. Please send original photos to Wheatley at the address above.

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This photo was incorrectly credited in the Spring 2015 edition. The photo was taken by Leandra Little. *The Norwich Terrier News* sincerely regrets the error.



Happy Halloween! Dylan, Chip and Nikki

From the Editors...

Following on the previous Editor's note by Susan and Barbara of the "I can do that" mantra, I believe your new co-editors, Amanda Kozora, Wheatley Wentzell and Dr. Elaine Jong, have had a similar experience with producing this issue. In late winter, Wheatley was asked by Jane Schubart if she would be interested in becoming the new editor for the *News*. Realizing that she sometimes has a penchant for saying "YES!" to things that she is excited about too quickly without thinking about the fact that there are only 24 hours in a day; Wheatley agreed to the challenge if she could have some co-editors. Luckily, Amanda Kozora and Elaine Jong were kind enough to come on board. Little did they know what surprises were waiting them.

Not long after saying yes, they found out that the long-time designer and printing company were closing shop. It took a little time, but successfully replacements were found for both. On the positive side, that delay has allowed the new co-editors to include our National Specialty in this issue. Your patience has been appreciated as they've figured out this issue. Now with one under their belts, they have some ideas to share with the Board to make the *News* even better!

What Alison used to do on her own, now requires three. Thank you, Alison, for all of your years of service to the club! We plan on sending out a survey to see what you, the members and subscribers, would like to see published in the *News*. We also welcome and encourage feedback.

Meet your new editors!

My name is **Amanda Kozora**, and I live in Austin, TX with three Norwich Terriers, one large cat, and a very patient husband. I first encountered a Norwich in 2004 – an adorable red puppy that my new boss had just gotten. It was love at first sight! My husband and I brought home our first Norwich in 2008 – "Archie" – a nephew to the dog I had met years earlier, followed by two more over the years. I joined the NTCA in 2010 and have helped out over the years with Hospitality, Statistics, and Meet the Breeds. I am also a member of the Lone Star Norwich Terrier Club. I was honored when Wheatley asked me to help co-edit the *News*. I have always looked forward to its arrival and it has been equal parts challenging and rewarding to see all that goes into this publication.

My name is **Elaine Jong** and I live in Port Townsend, WA, with three Norwich Terriers and my dog-loving husband, who treasures our dogs although he's not too keen on going to dog shows! In the past, we've had a variety of cherished dogs ranging from Great Pyrenees to Basset Hound, but when we retired, downsized and looked for a small but lively dog to join our household, we fell in love with the Norwich Terrier. It's true, "Life is merrier..." Soon after we welcomed "Dashie," our first Norwich boy, into our home in 2008, I met Wheatley and subsequently Amanda. We have been friends over the years, so it was a great pleasure to be invited to join them in their new adventure of editing the *News*. I belong to the NorWest Norwich and Norfolk Terrier Club as well as the NTCA, and look forward to contributing to the effort of keeping the *News* informative, relevant and entertaining.

My name is **Wheatley Wentzell** and I live in South Glastonbury, CT with four Norwich Terriers, a very patient Newfoundland and my dog-loving husband. I grew up with dogs, but did not get the dog show bug until I was age 11. I started tagging along with my aunt to shows when she showed and bred Belgian Tervuren. It wasn't long after that when my parents got a Belgian Sheepdog and a few years later a couple of Newfoundlands. While I loved my Belgian, the Newfoundland's easy-going personality and endless devotion won me over. For many years, I was involved in showing, breeding and learning everything that I could about Newfoundlands. In 2003, a fellow Newfoundland fancier got a Norwich Terrier puppy from Betty McDonnell and I remember asking her "Why on earth do you want a little dog?" It did not take more than a few minutes with this little adorable pup for me to realize I needed one of my own. I proceeded to pester Betty for several years, but she kept having litters of boys and I wanted a girl. Eventually, my patience paid off – three years later – and Betty connected me to another breeder and I took "Party" home in 2006. I still have my cherished 13-year-old Newfoundland girl, but Norwich have taken over my home for good. Like Amanda and Elaine, I have always looked forward to the *News*' arrival at my door, and am happy that Amanda and Elaine agreed to become co-editors.

2016 SHOW CALENDAR NTCA AND REGIONAL NORWICH TERRIER CLUBS

- April 14 LSNTC Supported Entry Expo Center, Sacramento, CA (Show Coordinator Rhonda Krupp)
- April 15 NTCNC Specialty & Sweepstakes Northern California Terrier Assoc. Expo Center, Sacramento, CA (Show Coordinator Carole Foucrault)
- April 16 NTCA Roving Specialty & Sweepstakes Northern California Terrier Assoc. Expo Center, Sacramento, CA (Show Coordinator Carole Foucrault) Breed Judge: Edd Bivin; Sweepstakes Judge: Leandra Little
- April 22 NTCA Supported Entry & Sweepstakes Columbia Terrier Association of Maryland, Inc., Maryland State Fairgrounds, Timonium, MD (SE Coordinator Al Ferruggiaro)
- May 6 NTCA Supported Entry & Sweepstakes Garden State All Terrier Club, Inc., Mercer County Park West Windsor Twp., NJ (SE Coordinator Lee Little) Breed Judge: Billie Kellogg Kneale; Sweepstakes Judge: Dr. Kenneth Sumner
- May 21 NTCA Supported Entry Mattaponi Kennel Club Prince William County Fairgrounds, Manassas, VA (SE Coordinator Jean Kessler)
- June 10 NTCA Supported Entry & Sweepstakes All Terrier Club Of Western Washington, Washington State Fair Events Center, Puyallup, WA (SE Coordinator Lynne Davis)
- June 18 NTCGC Specialty & Sweepstakes Great Lakes All Terrier Association, Lake County Fairgrounds, Grayslake, IL. (Show Chair Lorrie Kinney) Breed Judge: Alfred Ferruggiaro; Sweepstakes Judge: Jan Birchall
- June 19 NTCGC Supported Entry Little Fort Kennel Club Show Lake County Fairgrounds, Grayslake, IL. (Show Coordinator Lorrie Kinney)
- June 26 NTCA Supported Entry & Sweepstakes Great Western Terrier Association, Long Beach, CA (SE Coordinator Pam Seifert)
- July 8 LSNTC Specialty & Sweepstakes Dallas Market Hall, Dallas, TX (Show Chair Rhonda Krupp)
- July 10 NTCA Supported Entry North Texas Terrier Club Dallas Texas (SE Coordinator Rhonda Krupp)
- Oct 6&7 NTCA Designated Specialties Hatboro Dog Club, Middletown Grange Fairgrounds, Wrightstown, PA (Show Coordinator Jim Kinney)
- Oct 8 NTCA Designated Specialty Devon Dog Show Assoc., Devon Horse Show Grounds, Ludwig Corners, PA (Show Coordinator Jim Kinney)
- Oct 9 NTCA National Specialty & Sweepstakes Montgomery County Kennel Club, Blue Bell, PA Breed Judge: Peter Green; Sweepstakes Judge: Margarita (Missy) Woods (Show Chair Jim Kinney)

Note: Please send updates/corrections to James Kinney, Show Chair, at james.kinney@comcast.net





IS MOVING ITS REGIONAL SPECIALTY TO GRAYSLAKE ILLINOIS

to the Great Lakes All Terrier Show Sweeps Judge: Jan Birchall Breed Judge: Al Ferruggiaro SAVE THE DATE: JUNE 18, 2016 Little Fort Kennel Club shows Friday and Sunday

Contact Lorrie Kinney, <u>lorrie.kinney@comcast.net</u> or 847-756-4642 for additional details.

Ch. Littlefield Graham Cracker

March 25, 2002 - July 20, 2015

Charlie (Ch. Sandina Supersonic X Ch. Littlefield Razzle Dazzle) was WD at Devon 2003 in a field of 22. I knew when I placed him on the table and Judge Maxine Beam approached and cradled his head in her hands and he reached up to lick her on the nose, that we might have a chance. He was a beautiful red boy, littermate to our Ch. Littlefield Keri on Regardless ROM. I could write more about his winning record, but perhaps the best testament comes from his loving owners . . .

From Gayle and Richard Felton:

If ever a dog was loved, no adored, it was "Charlie" Felton. Back in 2000, our older daughter Beth rented an apartment in the building owned by Lee Little and Steve Weinberger. When we went to see where our daughter would be living we were greeted at the door by four Norwich Terriers, a breed totally unknown to us. It was magic and we were instantaneously smitten. As time went by, we developed an everlasting friendship with Lee and Steve, and fell in love with the puppies. It soon became apparent that, even though we were finally empty nesters, we simply had to have a Norwich. And so, when Charlie and his sister Keri were born to Razzi, he became ours to love and pamper.

Charlie would have come to live with us in late June 2002. Lee and Steve had an overseas trip planned and so we scheduled to bring him home on June 10. As it turned out, my mother-in-law passed away suddenly the day before. Neither her funeral nor Charlie's arrival could be changed. So, it was a funeral in the morning and a new puppy in the evening. Charlie was thoroughly socialized during the Shiva (or mourning) week. We know this is why he was always the extremely friendly and human- loving dog he was his entire life.





Charlie gave us 13 of the best years of our lives. Everyone who came in contact with our little guy

loved him. "Ís that a Cairn?" they would ask. We would always educate them and then inquire if they had seen the movie "Best in Show." We were always stopped by folks who wanted to meet him, especially when dressed in one of his many stylish outfits or Halloween costumes or out for a ride in his very own doggie stroller. And let us not forget Charlie's "Bark Mitzvah" we held on March 25, 2015. What a good sport he was!

And so, when it became apparent that our little Prince Charles was entering the last phase of his life, we made the excruciatingly difficult decision to let him go. Our tears flowed, not just for him but for us, to no longer see that precious little face last thing at night or first thing in the morning; to no longer get a good face licking; to no longer see that little tail wag at the sight of us; and to no longer be able to hold him.

From "A Dog's Plea":

"And my friend, when I am old and no longer enjoy good health, hearing and sight, do not make heroic efforts to keep me going. I am not having any fun."

We pray you are having fun again, our dear, sweet baby boy, Charlie Bear.

Rest in peace, beloved Charlie. You not only brought joy, you brought us an enduring friendship. You could not have had a better home and life.

— Leandra Little Littlefield Norwich, Weehawken, NJ



Dasiy and Punchie's Babies



Chester

EARS UP! DO WE REALLY NEED TO TAPE? by Jane Schubart

This article first appeared in the May 2015 issue of the AKC Gazette and appears here with their permission.

In the standard included drop ears. Quarreling over the matter continued for nearly two decades, with some futile attempts to prove which ear carriage was the original, and therefore correct. Even the ear carriage of the breed's first champion was the subject of controversy. Earning his championship in 1935, three years after breed recognition, Ch. Biffin of Beaufin had ears which were "neither perfectly dropped nor perfectly erect". Drop-ear breeders declared Biffin as their own, while his litter sister was of importance in the prick-ear sto their new Norfolk breed stud book.

The prick ear is in the ancient cluster of genes —not surprising since dogs need ears to communicate. Whereas all adult wild canines have erect ears, domestic dog breeds are fixed for various ear positions, including either drop or prick ears. In Norwich Terriers, the little puppy ears are up at birth, but often drop for awhile and then pop back up. It is not uncommon to have one ear up and the other down, or to see ears up and down over several weeks. One explanation has been that ears drop when teething starts and come back up when adult teeth are in —the theory being that the body uses calcium as needed for teeth development, drawing from less essential activities like the development of ear frame cartilage. Breeders with a promising show prospect sometimes tape puppy ears when slow to come up. But, do we really need to tape ears?

To explore this question, we can turn to studies about the genetic architecture of key traits. In contrast to humans, the fairly recent process of breed formation has altered ancestral genetic variation of some key traits. In humans, the genetic architecture of most phenotypes (such as body size and shape, lipid levels, and so forth) appears to be controlled by hundreds of genes, with each gene contributing a small amount to the overall heritability of the trait. In contrast, in dogs, mutations with a large phenotypic effect appear to underlie many traits. The result is a wide phenotypic diversity of dog breeds from a narrow genetic base. Ear carriage is a key trait that varies noticeably among breeds.

Scientists at the National Institutes of Health have used a breed-mapping approach to investigate the genetic architecture of morphological variation. In one study using DNA from over 900 dogs representing 80 domestic dog breeds (and some feral dogs), they tested over 60,000 points of variation to find loci regulating a number of traits including head shape, body size, length and ear position. By looking for correlations between allele frequency and average phenotypic values, the scientists identified the genomic region associated with ear position and reported that the derived allele at this locus was nearly fixed in "floppy eared" breeds consistent with the drop-eared position. Furthermore, these drop-eared breeds show sharply reduced heterozygosity which suggests that this region of the dog genome has undergone strong selection for drop ears. (http://journals.plos.org/plosbiology/article?id=10.1371/journal.pbio.1000451)

These findings are consistent with the evolution of Norwich Terriers and our experiences as breeders. We have, in fact, reshaped their genome on ear carriage. It is relatively uncommon to have problems with ears. One interesting exception occurred in the 1980s in descendants of the bitch Ch. Todwil's Gentle on My Mind. She was a drop-eared puppy in a Norwich litter who was registered as a Norfolk Terrier in the United States, and (no surprise) produced "bad" Norfolk ears! According to those close to well-known breeder Joan Read (Chidley), she didn't fuss with Norwich ears, even in the occasional puppy ear that was a bit slow.

Norwich ears usually come up. Even so, some breeders tape at four months to take the worry out of it. I've heard reports of late bloomers that took nine months. Most likely the timing of upright ears in Norwich simply follows the normal maturity process of cartilage, (and the timing with teething is coincidental), but is there a window of malleability? We don't know. If done properly, there is no harm in taping a Norwich puppy's ears for possible benefit (and our own peace of mind). But, perhaps we should also consider the bigger picture. If we tape ears, then we do not know what would have happened if left un-taped. And, if we keep puppies with difficult ears in our breeding program (ears that would not have come up without the tape), do we risk regression back to ears that are not perfectly erect (Biffin's ears)? Of course we do.

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Boot on the picnic table



Cider enjoying the luncheon at Mattaponi show

NIGEL AND TESS MEET THE PRESS

It was a bitterly cold February week in the City, but Nigel and I were determined to attend the Westminster 2015 pre-show publicity event where we had been invited. Nigel (GCH Ji-Ro's Hotspur-Call Me Nigel) and I were interviewed by the CBS TV news crew, making the evening broadcast! The woman who had invited us to the publicity event was so delighted with our performance and Nigel's lovable Norwich personality that we received another invitation to go to a photo shoot by Vogue Magazine a few days later.

For the Vogue event, the photographers requested I bring my Norwich girl Tess (Ch Littlefield Tesoro Prezioso) as well as Nigel. Oh yes, just like you would imagine, getting the dogs to pose and to look at the camera was like taking those official show pictures, only the photo shoot was much longer. After about 25 pictures, they chose a picture of Tess with my hand wielding the brush as a prop. The caption read, "A Girl Always Needs A Last Minute Touch-up."

After the Vogue shoot, we were commandeered down the hall to a photo shoot for the NY Times as well. I guess Nigel takes after me as a ham! The resulting *NY Times* article asked the readers to match up each dog and with its owner. Eight dogs and their owners made the cut out of about 20 candidates. It was great fun, even if it was a lot of work for man and dogs . . . and I got great professional photos of my boy and girl.

— Denis Johnson, Nutley, NJ







NORWICH AMBASSADOR AWARD RECIPIENTS 2015

The Norwich Ambassador Award was established to recognize the contribution of the Norwich Terrier to society and our daily lives. Many Norwich have jobs outside of the show ring; these Norwich have a special place in our hearts and in our community. By recognizing these Norwich and their dedicated human companions, we encourage Norwich to be ambassadors of the breed to the public.

This year's deserving award recipient teams are:

- Amelia Smith & Diesel: CH Foxglyn's Put Your Pedal To The Medal, CGCA CTD, nominated by Paula Smith
- Ursula Walsh & Harry: MACH6 Yarrow's MGB Beach Pine Harry CD RE MXS3, nominated by Ursula Walsh
- Dianne Just & Joey: CH Maralinga Just Joe Cool CGS CTD, nominated by Pam Murphy
- Hopefully their stories will encourage others to become ambassadors of the breed.

Following are excerpts from the nominators of each team.

Amelia and Diesel became a pair in May, 2010, when she took ownership of him as a puppy. Amelia was age 10 and spent that summer taking weekly handling and obedience classes, learning how to groom and building a bond with Diesel. As a team, they quickly gained confidence and knowledge and went on to win multiple Best Junior Handler titles and several wins in breed competition, including a Reserve Winners Dog title at the Norwich Terrier National Specialty in Montgomery County Pennsylvania in 2011. They competed in Junior Showmanship at Eukanuba Nationals in December 2011 and 2012, and at Westminster in 2012.

After retirement from the show ring, Diesel and Amelia began working with children at their local community center and public library in Millerton, New York, where Diesel was a reading assistive dog. In 2013, Amelia and Diesel became ambassadors for Tails of Hope and the Youth Ambassador Program, participated in radio interviews with NY 95.5 WPLJ and Radio Disney, and took part in Macy's Back-to-School fashion show to benefit and raise awareness for working dogs. In 2014, Diesel received his Therapy Dog Certification and then went on to earn his Advanced Canine Good Citizen award, being the first Norwich Terrier in the country to receive the title.

In June of 2014, they both traveled with a group of 19 other YAP-K9 affiliates and ambassadors to the White House Conference Center in Washington, D.C. to present the YAP team and educational plan to government officials. Amelia was able to present her experience as a handler and owner, and listen to the impressive stories of each K-9 team. She was presented with the Outstanding Service Award as a YAP Ambassador.

Now as a 15-year-old prep boarding student at The Hotchkiss School in Lakeville, CT, Amelia and Diesel continue their support of the YAP-K9 organization, The Hotchkiss Humane Society Club and community children. The bond that they share is quite extraordinary. This bond is the best award they could be honored with, as it comes from love, loyalty, trust and hard work that began with the innocence and ambition of a little girl and her little dog.



Ursula and Harry: Harry has achieved many titles in agility, including a MACH6, a CD in Obedience, the RE Title in Rally and is a Master Earthdog. He was one of the first Norwich in a long time to have gotten a Master Earthdog Title!

Harry became a Therapy Dog when he was age three, and began visiting a local nursing home and local schools. Ursula reports that "As a Breed Ambassador, Harry has been going to elementary schools here in our county, where he gives demos in basic obedience and agility. He has been showing the 4th graders in our schools' Pet Responsibility programs what it means to have a well-mannered and trained pet. As part of the Pet Responsibility program, Harry has participated in assemblies in which the children line up and are able to pet him — sometimes as many as 40 to 60 kids — and he has been patient throughout.



Harry coming out of tunnel

Harry also has worked as a "Tail Wagging Tutor" at Aberdeen Elementary School for years. Third graders learn to look forward to and enjoy reading by sitting down with Harry and reading a story to him.

In agility trials at home, Harry has his own fan club. People love to watch this little, but mighty, Norwich run; his personality shining through while he runs the courses! Ursula's had several agility people tell her that when they get ready for a small dog to run in Agility, they would like a Norwich just like Harry. Everyone who meets him (strangers on the street included) asks to pet him, and then want to know what kind of dog he is. Lastly, they ask where they can get a dog like Harry. His breeder even got a call from a person looking for a Norwich "just like Harry." She apparently had seen Harry and Ursula at an agility trial and wanted a puppy that would turn out to be like him! Whether Harry wins an award or not, he certainly is a wonderful ambassador for our breed.

Dianne & Joey: Diane remembers: "From the outset, Joey was an outgoing fellow — a lover of life and friend to all! Dubbed "the Walmart Greeter" at our local park, Joey was confident in any situation and was drawn to children. He was never unnerved by strollers, cries of joy or screams of pain. If we came upon a sports game while walking in the park, Joey insisted we stop and watch.

As Joey's Conformation career was winding down we dabbled with Rally and Agility--but Joey preferred to visit with the spectators. It became clear that becoming a Therapy Dog was Joey's calling and as he progressed through his training his "read" was so quick and his responses so giving that he soon was certified for all institutions and for all programs from Buddy Reading to Hospice. Whether quietly encouraging the challenged reader to keep trying, modeling safe meet-and-greet interactions or participating in safety programs for elementary school children, Joey continues to positively influence many lives.



Joey providing comfort

Joey and Diane recently chose to spend time with seniors and patients confined to extended care facilities and hospitals. Several patients suffering from Alzheimer's, dementia and related medical issues have been particularly touched by Joey's visits. Somehow, this little red dog touches them in ways medicine and staff cannot. "Winnie" had been silent for months, spending countless hours staring, unseeing and appearing non-responsive to all therapeutic attempts. Joey never gave up or lost interest in her, despite the apparent lack of connection during Joey and Diane's visits. -And then one afternoon, without warning, Winnie reached over to pat Joey! Her eyes appeared to focus on her surroundings and a few visits later she said, "Puppy." There wasn't a dry eye at the nurse's station! "Ursula" was bedridden and in constant pain, but with Joey snuggled by her side she relaxed and shared a special time with her "young man." As "Jean" went through the devastating mood changes often accompanying the many stages of Alzheimer's, Joey was her constant. Even as Jean's agitation flared, Joey was her calming rock. When Jean would become distressed, because Diane had stolen "her" dog, Joey would patiently stay by her side as they worked through the situation.

To Diane, Joey will always be very special - their first Norwich puppy, their first show dog and a treasured member

of the family. Wherever Joey is, people are drawn to him, asking about his breed and so impressed with this little fellow. After meeting Joey, several people decided adding a Norwich Terrier to their family was the right thing to do and are now proud owners or are wait-listed for a puppy. Joey continues to make friends wherever he goes and as a Therapy Dog he continues to touch so many lives — he is a tremendous Ambassador for the breed."

Norwich Ambassador Award Criteria:

- 1. AKC-Registered purebred Norwich terrier
- 2. Nominated by a NTCA club member in good standing
- 3. Honoree a NTCA club member in good standing
- 4. Additional requirements for recognition may be updated as necessary

The deadline for applications to be accepted for 2016 is July 1 to ensure presentation at the annual awards dinner in October. Applications should be sent to: Joan Graham, 384 West Broadway St., Larksville, Pa. 18651.

PET CLIPS ON THE PUREBRED NORWICH

We all know that hand-stripping is the best thing for our Norwich to keep their coats perfect. But over the 40-plus years that I've been a professional groomer, one thing that I've learned is that although most Norwich owners would love to have their pets groomed in the breed

standard, there are various reasons it's either not possible or practical.

There are ways to have your pet clipped either at a professional groomer or at home and still retain the proper look of the breed. When we clip a Norwich at my salon, we strive to make it resemble the way it would look if it was hand-stripped and also to retain its coarse coat. We've been very successful in accomplishing this with the terriers in our care.

Kimber was groomed with scissors, clippers and a medium/fine stripping knife. I always card the coat well (with the stripping knife) before the bath to pull out as much old top coat and loose undercoat as I can. After she's been bathed and completely dried, I re-card the coat, paying special attention to the extra dense coat on the hips. I do this for two reasons: to remove the thicker undercoat so the clipper lines are smoother and more blended, as well as removing as much of the dead hair as possible so the new, crisp coat can grow back in.

I use an A-5 clipper with either a #1½ or a #2 snap-on comb over a #30 blade. This keeps the blade away from the dog's skin and causes no damage to the coat. I use the snap-on comb over the back and down the sides and run it off the barrel

of the chest to give the sides a smooth natural appearance. I blend the coat down into the legs and use either regular shears or thinning shears to blend the coat under the chest and into the legs. I tidy the feet and under the tail with scissors. A #10 blade can be used to trim the hair between the footpads, around the privates and on the front side of the ears (if you prefer), although I use a fine stripping knife on the ears because it give a much nicer, natural look than clippers. I tidy the edges of the ears with scissors, if needed. The nice sharp ears are part of what make a Norwich look so adorable.

If a shorter clip on the back and sides is desired, a #4 or a #5 blade can be used in place of the snap-on comb, but I feel that anything shorter than a #5 blade could cause damage to the coat. The face can be trimmed by pulling the long hair tips with a fine stripping knife, tidying with scissors or thinners. On pets, I prefer using a combination of stripping and scissors on the face.

As pet groomers, we specialize in covering flaws on pets, allowing them to look more like the standard. To hide legs that are too short, you trim the chest and belly shorter to give the appearance of longer legs. For dogs with legs that are too long, we leave a deeper chest. For dogs that are chunkier, we use a shorter blade on the sides and run it straight off the barrel of the chest to make the pet appear slimmer. (Too bad that last little hint only works on our canine best friends!)

Susie Newberry, proud mother of two Norwich – Paco and Kobe Omaha, NE • www.susiespetgrooming.com

THE PET NORWICH COAT: MANAGING EXPECTATIONS by Jane Schubart

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The Norwich Terrier section of the benched National Dog Show, hosted by the Kennel Club of Philadelphia, drew the usual crowd of interested spectators researching breeds. Questions about coat care topped the list, prompting my spiel this year about the amount of work required to make a Norwich actually look like the Norwich sitting on the bench. A little Norwich named "Roxy" has been my inspiration for educating potential puppy buyers about hand stripping.

Several years ago, I agreed to examine Roxy's coat for her owners, a young couple with a baby on the way. They paid a lot of money for a purebred Norwich Terrier and were disappointed because Roxy did not look like a Norwich. Her coat was no longer red of any shade; rather, it was a nondescript greyish-whitish. As I suspected, she had been clippered by a professional groomer.

A Norwich Terrier's coat should be "hard, wiry and straight, lying close to the body with a definite undercoat". This double coat has a purpose. The harsh outercoat is nearly weatherproof, and the soft supportive undercoat insulates the body from both heat and cold. Originally bred to be stable ratters and bolt foxes on the hunt, this little working terrier required a protective coat. The natural course of a working day provided the required grooming as longer, loose hairs were removed by briar and brush, allowing the coat to replenish.

Because the natural looking coat of today's Norwich is anything but natural, learning to hand strip or finding a groomer who will hand strip is an important consideration in choosing this breed. The traditional way to groom the terrier coat is by manually removing the dead (or "blown") hair. Each hair follicle supports a single hard outer hair and several soft finer hairs that form the supportive undercoat. The purpose of hand stripping is simply to remove the old faded outer hairs and excess undercoat so that new hair can grow in the follicles. The color pigment of the Norwich coat is in the tips of the outer hairs. Clipping or scissoring cuts the colored tips off and the dog's natural color fades. The texture is also softened. Because hand stripping takes considerably more time than grooming with clippers, professional groomers charge more or decline to offer this specialized service. Pet owners may not realize that maintaining a hard coat is often a work in process. If the timing of grooming visits is not consistent, the finished results will vary. For best results, the coat is "rolled" so that there is always a new layer of growth coming in. "Rolling" is how dogs that are on the show circuit maintain the desired coat appearance, but this requires frequent grooming and is generally not practical for the pet owner.

Wire coats that are cared for properly by hand stripping have a beautiful shine and rich colors. It is relatively easy coat to maintain the Norwich coat, and while many owners learn how to trim and tidy their own dog, hand stripping is not for everyone. When done correctly, it causes little discomfort to the dog, but many pet owners are hesitant. While hand stripping is recommended for the adult Norwich, clipping is acceptable (and sometimes preferred) for an older dog. It is also an option for the Norwich with an incorrect soft coat that is difficult to pull out. Besides the beauty of vibrant color and healthy hair, the hand stripped Norwich coat has other



Kimber groomed by Sue Newberry

advantageous. Because it is fairly dirt resistant, a Norwich does not need frequent bathing. Also, by stripping out old coat, hair follicles are not plugged with fine hairs and oily sebum which can contribute to skin problems.

Although the modern Norwich is not likely to dispatch small vermin, it is important that modern breeders preserve the nearly weatherproof coat as this is one of the inherent qualities that distinguish this hardy little hunt terrier. Most are devoted pet companions like Roxy, whom I continue to groom. Her body coat is now in two distinct layers with correct harsh texture, and though the leg furnishings are a bit soft, her owners are pleased to have a Norwich that looks like a Norwich.

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NORWICH COLOR STATISTICS

The Norwich Terrier is often thought of as "the little red dog," and the first published standard (UK) for the Norwich allowed only "Red (to include red wheaten)." However, black and tan (B&T) has been around from the beginning, most likely due to the use of a Yorkshire Terrier in the development of the Norwich. Early fanciers were divided on the inclusion of B&T in the breed, but B&T supporters eventually prevailed.

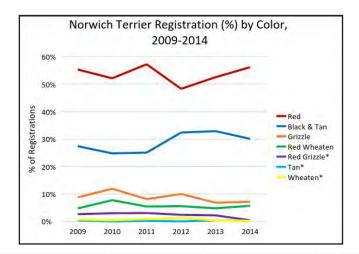
Our current NTCA standard reads, "Color: All shades of red, wheaten, black and tan or grizzle. White marks are not desirable."

Through our AKC delegate, the *News* was able to obtain registration statistics broken down by color for the years 2009-2014. During this time, the majority of Norwich were registered as red and very few registered as wheaten or grizzle. Please note that during this period, AKC online registration permitted the choice of colors, which do not align with the standard; these have since been removed as an option, and are designated by a *.

Also included for comparison are the Montgomery County Kennel Club Best of Breed winners for a similar time frame. One would expect that these dogs would have a significant influence on the breed, including color trends during this time.

Amanda Kozora Austin, TX

Norwich Terrier Registration (%) By Color						
Color	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Red	55.4%	52.2%	57.3%	48.3%	52.6%	56.2%
Black & Tan	27.4%	24.8%	25.1%	32.4%	32.9%	30.1%
Grizzle	8.8%	11.9%	8.1%	10.0%	6.8%	7.2%
Red Wheaten	4.7%	7.7%	5.4%	5.6%	4.8%	5.7%
Red Grizzle*	2.6%	3.0%	3.1%	2.4%	2.2%	0.4%
Tan*	0.4%	0.0%	0.2%	0.0%	0.4%	0.2%
Wheaten*	0.7%	0.4%	0.8%	1.3%	0.4%	0.2%
* alternate colors improperly offered for online registration						



MCKC Best of Breed Winner B.O.B. Year Color 2007 CH Sandina Sorcerer Red 2008 CH Abbedale Brass Tacks B&T CH Skyscot's Poker Chip B&T 2009 B&T 2010 CH Itsy Bitsy Troubadour 2011 GCH Waiterock Jack Falstaff Red GCH Skyscot's Texas Hold 'Em B&T 2012 GCH Highwood's Whirling 2013 Red Dun 2014 GCH Dancy's Rough Rider Red 2015 B&T GCH Roserock's Atticus Finch





Chief's ready for the pool after the show

"EXCUSE ME, WHERE IS YOUR JAM-JAM?" Tales of a Certified Therapy Dog

"For it is by muteness that a dog becomes for one so utterly beyond value; for with him one is at peace, where words play no torturing tricks." - John Galsworthy, Memories

I have earned conformation, agility, obedience, and rally titles in multiple venues on my four-year-old Norwich Terrier Jam-Jam. However, of all of the things we have accomplished, none has been more rewarding or meaningful than my work with Jam-Jam as a certified therapy dog. Therapy dogs visit schools, libraries, hospitals, nursing homes, make in-home visits to hospice patients, and serve as disaster relief dogs. Their job is simply to provide affection and comfort. While I know I am biased to Norwich, there are not many dogs with temperaments better suited to therapy work than the breed we love.

Jam-Jam was first certified as a therapy dog after a basic obedience class where he earned his Canine Good Citizen Title (CGC). In addition to the basic obedience items that are part of the CGC test, the therapy dog test requires the dog be comfortable around children, adults, other dogs, and around different equipment such as wheel-

chairs and crutches. The test also requires an excellent 'leave it' command in case pills or something that could hurt the dog are dropped. It is a challenge to drop a piece of pepperoni in front of a Norwich Terrier and not have them dive for it! We passed the test when he was age one, but dogs of any age can make excellent therapy dogs.

Therapy dogs must be independently certified by one of the many therapy dog organizations. Jam-Jam is certified through Therapy Dogs International, which is the largest and oldest organization. Once certified, the organization provides liability insurance coverage when you are on an official visit. There are many different organizations, with different requirements in regards to things like raw diets, vaccine titers, etc. So take the time to explore the different organizations and find the one that works best for you and your dog.



We visit local libraries for about two hours each visit. We hang out in the children's area, and children select a book, sit with Jam-Jam, and read him their stories. They always get a good laugh when he occasionally will plop himself down on the book looking for attention. However, research has shown that therapy dogs do help improve reading skills. Some studies have reported an increase of 30% in the reading fluency of children after participating in a read-to-the-dog program for 10 weeks (Smith and Meehan, 2010). The non-judgmental therapy dog helps children be less anxious while reading, increases their excitement level about reading, and the dog's "muteness" ensures "words play no torturing tricks."



I have not kept track of the children that have read to him, and many return week after week, but it is a lot. We have put in more than 450 hours of time reading with children (that is two weeks of his life!). AKC awards titles based on the number of visits you complete, and recently Jam-Jam completed his 200th therapy dog visit and became the first Norwich Terrier to ever earn the Therapy Dog Excellent Title (THDX).

I have taken him to visit at other locations but find, as a high school special education teacher, that I really enjoy the library visits more than other types. I frequently tell my students that while I have kids racing through the library to find another book after reading to Jam-Jam, I cannot get them to read a book even when I beg! We have many children who have been coming over the course of the past three years, and it has been so rewarding to watch their growth and development as readers. In addition to how appreciative the parents are, it is rewarding to know that Jam-Jam is not only making a difference to these children now, but for the rest of their lives.

One of the most touching stories about Jam-Jam is about a little girl who was celebrating her birthday. As they left, her mom handed me a card that read: "Thank you so much for sharing Jam-Jam with all these kids each week, especially my daughter. Today is her birthday. I told her she could do anything she wanted to do today, and all she wanted to do was to come to the library and read with him! She calls it a Jam-Jam Jam Jam Jam Jam with all these kids each week, especially my daughter.

Another child with Autism who had been doing her after school reading every Monday with Jam-Jam for months was moving back to Europe with her family. We were in the middle of a story when her family had to leave. She was upset because "Jam-Jam would never know if the lady in the read coat made it to a party with her friend." It was a tearful goodbye that day (my eyes were watery too) but a few weeks later I received a letter from the girl (addressed to Jam-Jam) telling him all about the end of the story and a beautiful scarf that she had knitted for Jam-Jam was included.

Jam-Jam keeps a reading log during the summer reading programs of books that he has read and we have it posted in the children's section. It became a popular way for children to select other books to read. Two summers ago the summer reading program for Fairfax County was inspired by Jam-Jam and the theme was "Paws-to-Read." The local paper even did a story on the program featuring Jam-Jam. When children had completed their reading log, they got to put their name on a paw print in the windows next to the children's section.

The following is from a librarian at the Fairfax Library and posted in the Fairfax County CrossReference Newsletter.

When my little nephew, Jack Wright (age 2½), came for a visit from New York City in January he was lucky enough to visit me at work on the same day he could meet Jam-Jam, one of City of Fairfax's furry "ambassadors" in its "Read to the Dog" Program. Jack was a little wary of Jam-Jam at first, but his trainer, Jamie, patiently let Jack inch toward Jam-Jam at his own pace. Soon Jack was close enough that Jam-Jam (and Jamie!) could read a fun story with him and some newly acquired playmates. Jack was enchanted.

When he returned home to New York City, he asked his grandmother, unprompted, if she would take him to the library. Jack walked directly up to a librarian and asked her politely, "Excuse me, where is your Jam-Jam?" The confused librarian had to reply that sadly, the New York Public Library doesn't

have a Jam-Jam. Jack was forced to console himself with books about a train and a dinosaur. — Jill Wright, FX

While all titles are significant and fun to earn, I encourage everyone to get involved in therapy dog work. It is more than a ribbon, or a certificate, or a national ranking, it makes a true difference in the world.

Jam-Jam is CH Slightly and Yarrow Jam CGC THDX MX MXB MJ MJB OF T2B and was bred, owned, and handled by Beth Sweigart and Jamie Lahy. Jam-Jam also holds upper level North American Dog Agility Council (NADAC) agility titles, C-WAGS rally and obedience titles, USDAA rally and agility titles, Therapy Dogs International therapy dog titles, and was nominated for an AKC ACE award for his reading therapy work.



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LET'S TALK ABOUT VACCINES!

I'm overhearing a conversation while in the waiting room at a vet's office:

"Spot is going to a boarding kennel tomorrow and they require his yearly shots to be up-to-date. Oh, and a kennel cough vaccine," says a dog owner while looking at her cell phone, clearly in a rush. The receptionist is responding with an explanation that this vet practice requires a vaccine visit two weeks before a planned boarding of a dog.

"What's the difference? He's here now," says Spot's owner, her voice betraying annoyance.

In my mind, I chalk her ignorance up to a superficial interest in her dog's well-being. Bringing the dog to a vet is just one of the things to check off on her to-do-list before she goes away, and vaccinating just a boarding kennel requirement. How the vaccines work is not even remotely on her mind. Request for multiple vaccinations, repeated yearly, shots given right before boarding a dog in the kennel; all this spells lack of knowledge.

When I get home I forget all about Spot's owner, but I just happen to read a post in an online breeder forum that brings that memory back. I am surprised with the connection. A breeder who is taking a great pride in properly socializing her puppies is bragging about an enriched environment she created for her pups, with various surfaces to walk over, a home-made mobile, a wobbly board. Here is a person who cares and invests energy into her dogs. She shares photos of the setup - in a spacious exercise pen outdoors, and adds that she just vaccinated her six-week-old puppies the day before, so that they could enjoy the outdoor playground.

Let's take a time out!

As a responsible dog owner and breeder, you should know how vaccinations work.

VACCINES NEED TIME TO WORK:

After receipt of a vaccine, it takes time for the dog's immune system to start producing antibodies to that vaccine. Depending on the kind of vaccine and on the dog's individual health, this process can take from one to three weeks. For example, when you travel to Europe with your dog, you will be required to certify that a rabies vaccine was administered at least three weeks prior to entering EU. Those three weeks reflect the time needed to develop protective antibodies to the rabies vaccine.

IMMUNE SUPPRESSION FOLLOWING VACCINATION:

Let us not forget that vaccines are a preparation of killed microorganisms, live attenuated organisms or toxic components. That's some scary-sounding stuff. The process we intend to cause, namely production of antibodies, means taxing the body. Following administration of a vaccine, the immune system goes through a process similar to fighting off an actual infection. Energy is devoted to the production of specialized white blood cells, which process the foreign substances (the vaccine) and produce specific antibodies. In some cases, especially in the case of live-attenuated virus vaccines, this creates a temporary deficiency in the immune system's ability to respond to something else. Immediately following vaccination is not the time to bring your dog to a dog show, or a boarding kennel, or a young pup to physically stressful or pathogen-rich environment. Both Spot's owner and the loving breeder who set up a wonderful playground for her very young pups outdoors were oblivious to those facts.

VACCINE PROTOCOLS:

A lot of discussion surrounds various vaccination protocols for dogs as if they were solid rules to be picked between. Not enough discussion illuminates the process of acquiring immunity against a disease. Understanding the process would help breeders and dog owners to make informed decisions about when to vaccinate and with what vaccines (in other words, which protocol is best suited for their dog). There is really no "one-size-fits-all" answer when it comes to something as complex as producing disease-fighting cells. Just think about it. There are no two identical dogs in this world. It comes to reason that the way they build immunity will be very individualized.

The American Veterinary Medical Association has two protocols for vaccinating puppies. One is for puppies of "unknown history," the other for a healthy pup with known origins. This distinction reflects the fact that vaccination is a process, with one of its components being the immune system of the puppy and its mother.

When the American Animal Hospital Association (AAHA) formed a task force to review the most current scientific data on vaccinations and to develop vaccine guidelines for veterinarians, its chairperson, Dr. Michael Paul, had this to say at the conclusion of the committee's work: "The guidelines should not be construed as dictating an exclusive protocol, course of treatment, or procedure. They serve as a guide for developing vaccine schedules for individual patients."

One of the foremost authorities on the process of acquiring immunity to disease through vaccination is Dr. Jean Dodds, founder of Hemopet, an animal blood bank and specialty diagnostic laboratory (as well as a retired racing greyhound rescue). Dr. Dodds' vaccination protocols are often favored by breeders.

To make an informed decision about which protocol to choose for your dog, let us look at a few key facts.

PUPPY VACCINATION

One of the most misunderstood facts about puppy shots is why we vaccinate puppies two or three times, and what factors influence the optimum time to administer those shots. The strength of the puppy's dam's immune system and the puppy receiving colostrum after birth are the two main factors influencing the puppy vaccine regimens.

MATERNAL DERIVED ANTIBODIES (MDAs)

Right after birth a puppy nurses on so-called "first milk," or colostrum. I like saying that it is a true toast to health, as colostrum contains all the mother dog's antibodies against diseases. A newborn's stomach wall is porous to allow for his dam's antibodies to pass through its holes directly into the bloodstream. We now know that this "window of opportunity" is open for only a few hours after birth. The stomach wall closes as early as six hours after birth.

Antibodies are large proteins. If ingested even next day, they will not make it into the puppy's bloodstream. If the puppy is able to nurse on colostrum after birth, he is receiving what is called Maternal Derived Antibodies. MDAs will be protecting him for up to 14 weeks from the diseases his mother is immune to. What is more, it will protect him against even killed viruses, you know, the thing we call vaccines. So in order for a puppy vaccine to work, meaning stimulate the production of antibodies, MDAs cannot interfere.

Here is our first "if." If the puppy received colostrum (nursed right after birth), he will most likely not be able to mount a response to a vaccine for at least nine to 10 weeks, or even longer. MDAs will block the vaccine. Vaccinating such a puppy between six and eight weeks is almost certain to be too soon. If, on the other hand, the puppy did not receive colostrum, vaccinating between six and eight weeks makes sense.

What if the mother dog was not a healthy individual and did not have a strong immunity towards disease? That is another "if" we need to consider.

Every puppy vaccination protocol, whether it advocates three or two vaccines, whether it advocates the first shot to be administered at six weeks or 10 weeks of age, aims at delivering the vaccine (that killed or weakened nasty stuff) at the time when the body will start producing the antibodies. It is literally a guessing game when that is. The more is known about the puppy and its mother, the more informed that guess is.

I think the most common misconception is that a puppy needs more than one shot. It doesn't. All vaccine protocols were devised to cover the period when MDAs wear off so that one of the vaccine doses is sure to be administered at the right time. Once it works, a vaccine dose received afterward is no longer useful. In other words, when we vaccinate puppies two or three times it is only one vaccine dose that is necessary to stimulate the production of antibodies. Only one of them! We administer two or three doses to hit the right time with one of them when MDAs are not so strong that the vaccine is interfered with, but not so weak that the puppy might be unprotected.

The protocol for shelter puppies with unknown origins comprises of three shots starting very early, at week six, then at week 10-12 and then again at week 14-16. The AAHA protocol of administering shots at eight weeks/12 weeks/16 weeks is based on very broad averages of "reasonably healthy" puppies and their mothers.

Breeders, who know that their mother dogs are healthy, and their puppies nursed properly and received colostrum, are best suited by Dr. Dodds' protocol. She recommends vaccinating healthy puppies at week nine and week 14 — only two vaccines. They cover the entire optimal period when MDAs from a healthy, previously vaccinated mother stops interfering with puppy vaccines and right before a puppy is unprotected.

What's coming in the future is rather than trying to "hit" the right time blindly, we could first run a blood test (titer) on the puppy's MDAs and then vaccinate when the numbers are in the optimum range with one vaccine dose. The technology exists, but improved availability of lab service and cost effectiveness is what is coming, when running a couple of titers would be less expensive than vaccinating more than once.

All puppy vaccine protocols agree on a booster at one year old. After that you can check the protection against disease by running titers every three years, as Dr. Dodds recommends, or vaccinate every three years as per the current AAHA guidelines. All recent studies confirm longevity of vaccine protection spanning as much as the dog's lifetime, certainly lasting longer than a year. Annual vaccinations could become a thing of the uninformed past.

CORE VERSUS NON-CORE VACCINES

Another important consideration is what vaccines to administer. Again, that depends. That is a conversation to have with your vet. A dog that will actively hunt might benefit from some non-core vaccines. For most pooches sharing our sheltered lives, core vaccines are all they would need. Dr. Dodds recommends vaccinating only with Parvo and Distemper vaccines, without any additional components. For example, Adenovirus has not been recorded in more than 15 years in North America.

RABIES VACCINE

Rabies is a vaccine legally regulated by state laws. The law compliance overrides medical considerations, but when permitted, puppies should be vaccinated no earlier than at 20 weeks old and again with boosters as required by state law. One important consideration for rabies is to use a vaccine that does not contain thimerosal (mercury), for example, Merial IMRAB TF (TF stands for "thimerosal free").

I doubt this article will ever reach Spot's owner, but I hope that responsible breeders and concerned dog owners will choose optimum timing for vaccination that suits each individual dog and situation. There is overwhelming proof that over-vaccination is harmful, but judicious vaccination saves lives. As with everything else, human knowledge has an expiration date, so please do check up on new research about vaccines periodically.

2015 "HEALTHY DOG" VACCINE PROTOCOL AT A GLANCE

- Parvovirus and Distemper at week nine and at week 14 of life
- Parvovirus and Distemper at one year old
- Titers every three years afterward
- Rabies at 20 weeks or later, then boosters per local law
- Non-core vaccines as appropriate for the location and dog's risk of exposure to disease

Magda Chiarella, *Chair, NTCA Breed Health Committee* New Providence, NJ

RESEARCH OF NORWICH TERRIER UPPER AIRWAY SYNDROME

Breeders and owners of Norwich Terriers have long recognized upper airway issues in our lovable breed: heavy, raspy breathing, loud snoring, heat and exercise intolerance. Unfortunately, veterinary awareness and recognition of the syndrome (Norwich Terrier Upper Airway Syndrome or NTUAS) is not as widespread, and often confused with other conditions. For years, we have tried to initiate a comprehensive study of NTUAS to describe the disease and treatment.

We are thrilled to announce NTUAS Study Group, under a leadership of Dr. Bryden Stanley at Michigan State University. Dr. Stanley will be conducting clinical research in collaboration with UC Davis, Texas A&M, and Colorado State University.

The study is funded by donor-advised funds from the Norwich Terrier Club of America, through the Canine Health Foundation. NTUAS is a breed-specific condition, and therefore, the funding for the study is coming in its entirety from donations to Norwich Terrier Donor Advised Fund at CHF, and not from CHF's general fund.

To learn about the study, please visit: cvm.msu.edu/ntuas

Please send donations for the study to: AKC CHF, PO Box 900061, Raleigh, NC 27675.

It is very important to mark your donation: "02232-MOU: Upper Airway Syndrome in Norwich Terriers."

Thank you for your support!

Ch. Diamond Lili of Image

(GCH Littlefield Dignpop Dashiell of Dungeness X Ch. Diamond in the Ruff of Image)

Breeder/Owner: Monti Craig

Call name: "Lily"

"Lily" finished her title on January 17, 2015, at the Dog Fanciers Association of Oregon show in Portland Oregon. She is pictured winning Best of Breed over highly ranked specials at Woofstock this past June.





Ch. Bayou Ridge Honey Bear at Mischief

(Ch. Bayou Ridge Stonewall Jackson X Ch. Bayou Ridge Honey Badger)
Breeder: Kenneth B. Sumner, M.D.
Owners: Gayle Holmen, Kenneth Sumner, and William Pohlmann
Call name: "Bear"
"Bear" finished his championship from the puppy class!

Ch. Foxglyn's Foto Finnish Di Dio'

(GCH Bronwyn He's A Heartbreaker X Ch. Beulah Di Dio') Breeder: Bob Busby Owners: Nichola Conroy and Lori Pelletier Call name: "Finn" "Finn" finished his championship in two weekends, including Morris and Essex BOW, Hatboro 2 BOW,





Ch. Littlefield Tesoro Prezioso

(Ch. Littlefield Pieces of Eight X Ch. Littlefield Panzanella Degli Acquisti Per Littlefield)

Breeder: Leandra Little

Owners: Dr. Denis Johnson and Leandra Little

Call name: "Tess"

"Tess" finished on the Cherry Blossom circuit April 19, 2015 going Best of Winners and Best of Opposite Sex at the Baltimore Kennel Club show. She is a lovely, typey bitch who took a little time to get the hang of the show ring. She is the second in her litter of four (three girls) out of my Italian import "Pizza Pie" to finish her Championship. Thanks to Kathy Mines and Karan Aurelius for pitching in with her training! Owned and loved by Dr. Denis & Barbara Johnson and Leandra Little.

Ch. Littlefield Un Certo Non So Che

(Ch. Littlefield Pieces of Eight X Ch. Littlefield Panzanella Degli Acquisti Per Littlefield)

Breeder/Owner: Leandra Little

Call name: "Billie"

and Montgomery BOW.

"Billie" finished in limited showing with a five-point major the first day of the Louisville cluster under judge Barbara Dempsey Alderman. Her first major was awarded by judge Lydia Coleman Hutchinson at the NTCA Supported Entry Sammamish KC show in Redmond, WA. All her points were from the Bred-By class.

She is the first in her litter of four to become a Champion. Billie has a harsh coat, dark eye, beautiful head, top-line, perfect bite, fluid gait and a game, loving temperament. She was the cover girl for the 2014 Fall NTCA News. Best of all she is my cherished friend.



Pinelake's Happy Fearless Explorer RA MX MXB MXJ MJB OF ME CGC

(Ch. Pinelake's Megabucks MX MXJ X GCH Ch Ciao Bella NAJ NJP)

Breeders: Carol S. Clark and Karen Sullivan

Owner: Joan S. Krantz

Call name: "Henry"

"Henry" earned his Master Earthdog title on a beautiful morning in May. He's a "I love life" kind of terrier, willing and more than ready to play, work, and cuddle. He also earned his Master Bronze agility titles in May. He's just so much fun!







Edith relaxes







Sally and Roan

2014 BRED BY EXHIBITOR AWARDS

These conformation awards are presented to each member-owned Norwich Terrier dog & bitch earning all of his/her championship points from the Bred by Exhibitor class.

JOHN PAUL JONES AWARD

Titled Dog's Name	Owner's Name
CH Beric Russell Square	Nancy Nosiglia & Mark Gustavson
CH Win Dancers Like The Rain	Robin Newton
CH Fxhnt To The Manor Born	Hal Happersett & Roxanne Sutton
CH Itsy Bitsy All The Buzz At Reverie	Ann R Carlson & Tonnie Willrich
CH Slightly And Yarrow Jam AX AXJ THD CGC	Beth Sweigart

HIGH RISING AWARD

This trophy is named in honor of early American prick ear breeders, Mr. & Mrs. Grant Dickson Green, whom many homebred Norwich champions included the influential Ch. High Rising Hardy Perennial, twice Best of Breed at early Norwich Terrier Club Specialties. (See Norwich Terrier USA 1936-1966, pages 64, 65).

Titled Dog's Name	Owner's Name
CH Country Girl Scarlett'O' (2013)	Linda Mccutcheon
CH On The Edge Of Image	Monti L Craig
CH Country Girl Sassy Lassy	Linda Mccutcheon
CH Norieland Hocus Pocus	Karen E Vaughn & Steve Vaughn
CH Fishback Sho-Me Whatcha Got	Susan Miller Hall & Fran Westfall
CH Kilyka's Bird In Hand NA NAJ	Mrs. Betty McDonnell
CH Kilyka's Rare Bird Alert NA NAJ	Mrs. Betty McDonnell

2014 REGISTER OF MERIT

The Register of Merit (ROM) Program recognizes those dogs that have had an impact on Norwich Terrier in America. By recognizing the contributions of notable sires and dams, the ROM Program will be a resource of information for breeders in their quest to produce the exceptional dog envisioned in our standard of excellence. It will also show all interested persons as to the top producers that have influenced American dogs.

Points are accredited to dogs and bitches for AKC titles (as published in the AKC Awards magazine) earned by their get. Dogs and bitches meeting the outlined requirements are recognized by "The Norwich Terrier Club of America" as achieving the designation of "Register of Merit" and are entitled to append the title "ROM" after their name.

Owner's Name

Sires must produce eight (8) champions of record.

Dams must produce five (5) champions of record.

Sire or dam must be owned by a member of NTCA.

Sire or dam need NOT be alive at the time of the award

Titled Dog's Name

GCH CH Dignpop Dash of Panache	D	Magda Chiarella
CH Reverie's Royal Legacy	D	Ann Carlson
GCH Ch Waiterock Jack Falstaff	D	Candice Harper
GCH CH Itsy Bitsy Troubadour	D	Tonnie Willrich & Gerard Willrich
CH Itsy Bitsy Iz Mizbehavin	В	Tonnie Willrich & Gerard Willrich
CH Norieland Sexy Sadie	В	Karen Vaughn & Steve Vaughn
GCH CH Shonleh Winsomes Lotus	В	Lynn Marshall & Howard Marshall
GCH CH Moondance First Landing	В	Robin Hoch

2014 BRED BY EXHIBITOR AWARDS (continued)

2014 DOUBLE Q PLUS AWARD

"Awarded to the NTCA member-owned Norwich Terrier Top Agility Team based on AKC ranking of Double Q's and speed points"
 Titled Dog's Name
 MACH6 Breakaway's In The Know RN MXG2 MJG2 MXF MFG TQX T2B3
 Rainee Johnson D.V.M.

2014 TOP 5 AGILITY TEAMS AWARDS

"Awarded to the NTCA member-owned Norwich Terrier Agility Teams based on AKC ranking of Double Q's and speed points after the Double Q Plus Award winner"

Titled Dog's Name	Owner's Name
MACH5 Yarrow's Mgb Beach Pine Harry CD RE MXS3 MJC3 MXF T2B ME	Ursula Walsh
MACH2 Arcadian-Dynamite Red Beryl MXS2 MJB2 THDA CGC	Melanie Bryson
MACH2 Keleven's Mccracken CD BN RN MXS MJG OF	Jill Lowry
MACH Slightly The Hired Hand MXS MJG XF T2B	Ursula Walsh
CH MACH Shonleh He's A Magic Man RA MXG MJG MXF MFS TQX JE	Patty Fornelli

2014 RIVER BEND AWARD

"Awarded to the NTCA member-owned Norwich Terrier with the most points (based on scores), who did not already have a UD or UDX"
Titled Dog's Name
Amblegreen Notti Marietta BN PCD PCDX RE ME
Jill Petersen & Heather J Tomlins

2014 TOP 3 OBEDIENCE TEAMS

"Awarded to the NTCA member-owned Norwich Terriers with most points (based on scores) after the River Bend Award winner "

Titled Dog's Name CH Kilyka's Witch Hazel CDX NAP NJP Yvainie's Lil Bit Xtra CD BN RAE Fairfield Zilly CDX RAE

2014 VERSATILITY AWARD

Dog's Name GCH CH Kaleidoscope Claybrook Carter AX OAJ AJP CGC VN MACH6 Breakaway's In The Know RN MXG2 MJG2 MXF MFG TQX T2B3 RATN VN CH Kilyka's Witch Hazel CDX NAP NJP VN

2014 VERSATILITY EXCELLENT AWARD

Dog's Name Pinelake's Happy, Fearless Explorer CGC RN SE MX VNX

- **Owner's Name** Betty McDonnell Deborah Ross Joanie Brobst
- **Owner's Name** Debra Lang Rainee Johnson DVM Betty McDonnell

Owner's Name Joan S. Krantz

AGILITY, OBEDIENCE, RALLY

PREMIER AGILITY? WHAT'S IT ALL ABOUT? YES, A NEW TITLING CLASS . . .

Since 1994, when AKC held its first agility trial, so much in the agility world has changed. Competitors today can choose from many methodologies and philosophies and are challenged by more technical courses. Thus, handling a dog in an agility ring has changed and competitors and their dogs are far more skilled than those early days.

As of October 1, 2015, clubs can choose to offer a Premier Class to challenge those who want to compete on courses that have an international flair.

According to the AKC announcement:

"We are excited to announce the newest AKC Agility class – Premier – starting October 1, 2015. This class will provide an opportunity for agility competitors to demonstrate different handling skills than those required for the Master Level Classes in Standard & Jumpers With Weaves. The Premier class will focus on handling the sequence or sequences of the day.

"Both Standard and JWW Premier courses will be Master level courses incorporating a number of elements that challenge the dog and handler in ways that are not seen on traditional AKC courses. These elements include sequences like threadles, back-side jumps, pull-throughs, layering, challenging weave pole entries, and longer running passes. One bi-directional jump or tunnel will be allowed to encourage handling strategies. Obstacle spacing on Premier courses may exceed the limits of those on Master courses.

"Premier courses will use the same obstacles as the corresponding Master course. At the judge's discretion a viaduct may be used in place of the panel jump, there may be three tunnel passes and there will be no table. A Premier course will have 19 to 21 obstacles, three side switches, four Premier Elements and five Challenges. Courses will be judged using AKC Master scoring and hand signals."

You can read more about maximum course time, minimum obstacle requirements, approach angles and titles for this new Premier Class at http://cdn.akc.org/Agility/Agility-Chapter11-PremierClass.pdf.

Our little Norwich have the brains, bodies and speed to learn the skills required for these courses. They are, after all, premier dogs!

— Joan Krantz, *News* Agility reporter, Middlebury, CT (fdkrantz@snet.net)

TOP NORWICH TERRIER TEAMS INVITED TO EUKANUBA AGILITY INVITATIONAL IN DECEMBER 2015

If you happen to be in Orlando, Florida, on December 11-13, why not visit the Agility Invitational at North/South building of the Orange County Convention Center and watch five NTCA members and one other enthusiast run their little dogs through 18-20 obstacles in less than a minute. This year's superstars come from all parts of the U.S.: California, Connecticut, North Carolina, Florida, and Michigan.

- #1 "SAVVY" (MACH7 Breakaway's In The Know RN MXG2 MJC2 MXF MFG TQX T2B3 RATN) run by Rainee Johnson, DVM. This will be the sixth time competing at this event for Rainee and eight-year-old Savvy, who continue to be the #1 Norwich agility team in the country.
- #2 "HENRY" (Pinelake's Happy, Fearless Explorer RA MX MXB MXJ MJB OF ME CGC) run by Joan Krantz. This will be Henry's first trip to the Invitational and is the youngest Norwich of the group at three years old.
- #3 "ACE" (MACH Flying Ace Of The Skies MXB MJS OF T2B2) run by Vanessa Andrews (not a Club member).
- #4 "DINAH MOLLY" (MACH Arcadian-Dynamite Red Beryl MXG2 MJS2 THDA CGC) run by Melanie Bryson. Melanie and seven-year-old Dinah Molly competed in 2013 and continues to earn multiple Master Gold Agility titles for having perfect runs.
- #5 "GEORGE" (MACH Slightly The Hired Hand MXG MJG MXF T2B) run by Ursula Walsh. Ursula and seven-year-old George competed in 2013 and 2014. Ursula has been invited to compete since 2007. No dust under her dogs' paws!
- #1 Preferred Dog "LILY RU" (Dignpop Lucky Lily Ru RN MX MXJ MJS MXP MJP3 MJPB OF NFP) run by Susan Novotny. Lily Ru will compete in the Preferred class, which allows dogs that measure 11 inches and under to compete at a lower jump height. At 11 years old, Lily Ru will be the oldest Norwich in the group. This is the first year AKC invited the top Preferred dog of each breed.

Congratulations and good luck to these teams. Remember: agility is a journey and this is a special destination along that journey so enjoy each run! Run fast, run clean, run small and run happy!!

— Joan Krantz, *News* Agility reporter, Middlebury, CT (fdkrantz@snet.net)

NORWICH AGILITY MARCH MADNESS IN LOUISVILLE

March 12-15, 2015

Broadbent Arena at the Louisville Expo Center was abuzz with dogs and handlers milling about getting ready to run agility for four days on hard packed dirt in three rings. This year the Norwich contingency got there bright and early as the run order went small to tall with Excellent and Master at the beginning of the day. Hidden away but close to the ring, a small group of Norwich and their handlers crated together thanks to Jill Lowry who set up a day early in the perfect spot and provided us travelling from hither and yon with chairs, water and special treats.

Jill ran **"Mack"** (MACH2 Keleven's Mccracken CD BN RN MXS MJG OF) in the Master courses on his home turf. On Saturday, the day's trophies were offered by NTCA, Mack Q'd in JWW, but not STD. Maris Purvins and Christine Kiino from California brought **"Chip"** (Littlefield's Ace in the Hole) to run the Novice courses later in the day. But he had a following of supporters from his conformation friends as well as the agility group. Maris and Chip Q'd and got second place for one of his runs. Heidi Evans travelled from Florida with **"Roy"(CH Dignpop Fair and Square AX AXJ NF)** to run the Excellent courses. Roy and Heidi ran a smooth and clean Standard run on Saturday so they took home the trophy offered



When the running is over! Photo: first row: Jill Lowry and Mack; back row (I-r):Maris Purvins and Chip, Bonnie Carpenter and Grizwald, Joan Krantz and Henry, and Heidi Evans and Roy.



Oh happy day! After training for a year, Maris Purvins and Chip smile for taking second place in their qualifying run!

by the NTCA.

Bonnie Carpenter drove from North Carolina to run the Excellent courses

with "Grizwald" (Foxwood Grizwald Bear OA AXJ). According to Bonnie, "Griz" runs were "unspectacular," but "whatever he did, he did with cuteness and his own interpretation of the courses. He may not have brought home Q's but he brought home lots of great memories.

And I flew, with **"Henry"** (Pinelake's Happy Fearless Explorer RA MX MSB MSJ MJB OF ME CGC), from Connecticut on his first flight to run the Master courses. All the dogs had moments of brilliance on challenging courses. Running in the dirt was challenging for both Henry and me for sure. That first day after the plane ride took its toll, and he double NQ'd and was just not grounded without his pack, but he got a QQ on Friday and picked up another Q on Saturday in JWW and Sunday in Standard, where he placed 4th out of twenty-eight 8" dogs. I must say, I was pretty proud of his performance.

Competing in the Rally Advanced ring and a short walk/run from agility, were "Henry" and I and "Zee" (Breakaway Bon Temps Roullez RA) and Jill Lowry. "Henry" and I competed every day between our agility runs and he earned his Rally Advanced title on Sunday. He certainly didn't get the highest scores, but we got better as the four days progressed. "Zee" competed on Friday and Saturday and earned her Rally Advanced title on March 14 and beat "Henry's" score, so she took home the trophy sponsored by the NTCA. "Zee's" focus on Jill as they did the course was so far beyond the focus I got from "Henry." She's on her way to many successes in the obedience world!

Only "Zee" (Breakaway Bon Temps Roullez RA) competed in Obedience. She looked focused, ready and happy, but missed qualifying, as she was still a "work in progress" on the stand for exam portion of the test. Jill's upbeat, positive attitude sure helped Zee's

energetic heeling.

In addition to the agility/rally/obedience fun for four days, we had a chance to dine at The Bristol with the many NTCA members and enjoy some southern cooking. Dr. Bryden Stanley, BVMS, MACVSc, MVetSc, Diplomate ACVS, joined us for dinner and gave a short talk on her upcoming study of Norwich and the Upper Airway Syndrome. More about that study was a part of the NTCA health seminar on Thursday, October 1, 2015 at the Hilton Garden Inn.

On Saturday we mingled and enjoyed pizza and conversation about our dogs and our lives. Many thanks to Elsie and John Francisco and their crew for being organizers of the Louisville Kentuckiana and including performance as part of the supported entries! *Save the date for next year: March 17-20, 2016.*

— Joan Krantz, *News* Agility reporter, Middlebury, CT (fdkrantz@snet.net)



Posing proudly after earning their Rally Advanced titles. Joan Krantz with Henry and Jill Lowry with Mack.

AGILITY, OBEDIENCE, RALLY

THE JOY OF TITLING

"My little dog — a heartbeat at my feet." – Edith Wharton

When we run agility, we hear those little footfalls trailing behind or bounding ahead on their own course and sometimes we hear our own hearts racing as we run that title run. We often feel nervous and clumsy but to them, we are the leader and for the most part they follow. If not, we try and try again for those titles. Not just for the ribbon, but for the playtime with our dogs.

From January to July this year, 14 Club members earned 48 titles with 18 dogs. Most of the 14 novice titles were earned in March, April and May, as were most of the eight Open titles. Of the 19 Master titles, 12 were Master plus titles in Master Agility, Master Jumpers or Master FAST. These advance titles recognize achievements at the Bronze, Silver, Gold and Century levels which translates to 25, 50, 75 and 100 clean runs in either Master Agility, Master Jumpers or a qualifying score at least 60 in Master FAST. That cadre of accomplished agility dogs is small but talented.



Four-year-old Kizzy, owned and run by Patty Fornelli, earned new Master titles.



Grizwald blasts out of the tunnel ready for more fun on course with Bonnie Carpenter

Three teams earned their MASTER AGILITY CHAMPIONSHIP during these past six months. From youngest to oldest.

"Magic" (CH MACH2 Shonleh He's a Magic Man RZ MXG MJC MXF MFG TQX JE) and Patty Fornelli earned MACH2 on January 9, 2015. Patty says, "Magic finished his MACH2 in Santa Rosa in January this year along with his Master Jumpers Century Title and his 75th Fast Q and we are now over halfway to our MACH3. He is the only Norwich Terrier Conformation Champion to earn a MACH2. I couldn't have a better partner for our adventure in performance and in life. He is my heart dog and I treasure every moment we share."

"Savvy" (MACH7 Breakaway's In the Know RN MXG2 MJC2 MXF MFG TQX T2B3 RATN) and Rainee Johnson D.V.M. earned MACH7 on April 19, 2015. Savvy is the very first Norwich to earn a MACH7. Rainee shared, "After two days of dropping a bar, Savvy ran two nice clean runs today to complete her 140 QQ's. She is the best little brown dog I could ever ask for, always an honest runner, never gives me grief. As I always say of her, she's the best partner there's ever been in my life! She is an easy dog, loves her agility and is just plain fun to run! Just love my girl who can bark like a poodle!"



"Harry" (MACH6 Yarrow's Mgb Beach Pine Harry CD RE MXG3 MJC3 MXP MJP MSF T2B) and Ursula Walsh earned MACH6 on January 31, 2015. Ursula shared, "At the age of 10 ¹/₂, Harry achieved the MACH6 Agility Title in Florida this past February. At that time, he was only the second Norwich to do so. Now 11, he is in the Preferred jump height (jumping 4 inch high jumps) and the two of us enjoy the run whether he qualifies or not. He continues to be as sassy as ever, still so eager at the start line that he barely waits for me to give him the go ahead and continues giving his opinion of the course and my handling by barking at me as we run. I am looking forward to continuing running with my partner for some time to come – keeping fingers crossed as I am not getting any younger either!"

Congratulations to all on your new titles. Happy dogs, Happy handlers! Keep on running and have fun! The joys of titling are many! Enjoy the pictures of some up and coming agility stars!

Posey, owned and run by Ursula Walsh, earned several new titles in the past six months

— Joan Krantz, *News* Agility reporter, Middlebury, CT (fdkrantz@snet.net)



Novice dog – Microchip – jumping his heart out to run with Maris Purvins, his handler.



Ursula Walsh and Harry are both smiling at their many joys of titling over the years!.



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Zee, owned by Jill Lowry, says, "Yes, I'm ready; just release me, please!"

OBEDIENCE, RALLY, CGC REPORT

NTCA members have been busy competing in Obedience and Rally events with very impressive results.

Two teams earned Utility Dog (UD) titles. Huge congratulations go to Fairfield Zilly, UD, RAE-owned by Joanie and Dave Brobst; and CH Abbedale's The Brass Stops Here, UD-owned by Pam Lorenzen. Not an easy task but no doubt, very rewarding.

Two Companion Dog (CD) titles were earned by Betty McDonnell's Kilyka's Bird In Hand CD, NA, NAJ, and CH Kilayka's Rare Bird Alert CD, NA, NAJ.

Jill Petersen's Amblegreen Notti Marietta BN, PCDPCDX, GO, RE ,ME earned her Graduate Open (GO) title. She is co-owned with Heather Tomlins and the late Elizabeth Pearson.

Rally continues to grow in popularity and is a fun sport that requires intense concentration to navigate through the courses. However, the following teams make it look like a breeze. Eight rally titles were earned by members.

Jill Lowry and Breakaway Bon Temps Roullez RN, RA, RE, CGC have been busy adding three rally titles: Rally Novice, Rally Advanced and Rally Excellent. Way to go!

Two additional Rally Advanced titles were earned by Carlynn Ricks and Elizabeth Shively with OTCH MACH Huntwood's Four On The Floor UDX, RA, MXS, MJS, OF, THD, CGC; and Joan Krantz with Pinelake's Happy, Fearless Explorer, RA, MMX, MXJ, OF, SE, CGC.

There were three additional Rally Novice titles earned by Dignpop Big Bang, RN owned by Magda Chiarella and Donna Stein; Bunratty's Dame Devie O'Todd, RN, NAJ owned by Maureen Glancy; and Highwood's Lady Renegade, RN, CGC owned by Knowlton Reynders and Patricia Warrender. Congratulations on proving that hard work and dedication does pay off!

Three Canine Good Citizen titles were earned by teams Breakaway's Bon Temps Roullez RN, RA, RE, CGC owned by Jill Lowery; Highwood's Lady Renegade NA, RN, CGC and CH Migar Shonleh's Brother Love CGC owned by Christine Kiino and Maris Purvins.

As of January 1, 2013, the AKC made the Canine Good Citizen certificate an official title. Owners' dogs that have earned a CGC prior to January 1, 2013 are now eligible to have CGC listed on the dog's title record by submitting an application, found on their website along with \$20. So, if you have not yet traded your CGC certificate in for a title, it's not too late!

I urge you to look up the requirements for Rally and Obedience titles on the AKC website. The CGC is a great place to start. You might just find a new, fun activity that you and your Norwich will love.

April Clark NTCA Performance Chair

A ROAD TO THE AKC OBEDIENCE UD TITLE

YAHOO! Zilly, our ten-year-old, eight-pound Norwich just earned an AKC Obedience Utility Dog (UD) Title, with my wife Joanie Brobst handling all the way. And the road was one of many ups and downs. Anyone in companion events knows about the ups and downs of each event.

There are three levels, or classes, leading to the UD Title: Novice, Open, and thenUtility. Each has its own challenges, including the dog. At each level, in order to earn a title, you have to pass three times under, at least, two different judges.

On our Novice journey leading to the Companion Dog (CD) title, the three legs were somewhat uneventful, and we thought that this would be fun and filled with ups. We did have an odd situation during one of the trials, when during the sit and down stays, in which the handlers are all the way across the ring from the line of all the dogs in the class, Zilly was alongside an Irish Wolfhound. This was back when the judges were somewhat relaxed about enforcing the four-feet-between-dogs rule. So Zilly was about one foot away from her neighbor, the Irish Wolfhound. That was a cute picture, Zilly straining her neck to see the head of her neighbor. We think she was saying, "Wow!"

The next level is called Open and leads to the Companion Dog Excellent (CDX) title. During one of the legs, our eightpound Norwich performed the Broad Jump, which requires the dog to jump and then return back to the handler and sit in front of them. Zilly did that, and then decided to jump to the heel position. She then realized that the position was wrong, so she jumped back into the front position. When the judge said, "Finish your dog," which means telling them to go to heel position, Zilly jumped right between Joanie's feet, moving to the 'heel' position. I guess that was a 'HALF' Finish. The judge, who was a very serious judge and had shown no expression, smiled, probably for the first time during his judging career.



Picture of the UD day! Judge Vickie Brown (right), Joanie (left) and Zilly (center).

Another Open exercise is the Drop on Recall, in which you call the dog and then tell them to go down on the judge's signal, about halfway across the ring. On the third leg, the titling leg, Zilly dropped on the drop on recall. But it was very questionable, since she had almost come all the way to Joanie; thank goodness it was close enough to qualify. We went back for an insurance leg, an extra leg just to be sure she had met all the requirements for the CDX, but that was not to be, since during the out-of-sight down stay, in which handlers are hidden from the dog for a full five minutes, a large fly landed on Zilly's rear. She jumped up into a standing position looking for "what was that." She looked at me, standing outside the ring, and realized that was a mistake. She immediately went back to the down position. It happened extremely fast, but the judge saw it, and we did not pass.

The highest level of obedience competition is the Utility Dog Title, UD. The events in this level, sometimes called futility by competitors trying for a UD, are the most fun to train. But it is the class in which it is the hardest to pass all the exercises. Someone once told us that the passing rate for Utility is around 8%. After several attempts, we passed under a judge who we had never expected to pass. Several attempts later, we passed again, under a judge who is a little quirky.

During this time, Zilly's cough was getting worse, so we went to several local veterinarians/surgeons and were told that she would have to have a tracheotomy. We suspected that was not the only remedy, so we contacted Dr. Chris Zink, who recommended Dr. Sadanaga in Malvern, PA. We cannot thank Dr. Zink enough for the referral, and we cannot thank Dr. Sadanaga enough for performing the surgery to remove saccules and a polyp. After a few months of rehab and retraining, we went back into the Utility ring. Zilly passed her third leg, and now is Zilly UD! This goes nicely with the AKC's RAE title, the highest Rally title, which Zilly was the first Norwich to earn. So now both Joanie and I have put a UD title on a Norwich.

One of Zilly's downfalls in the ring is that she "cusses" a lot, but after the surgery, she feels so much better, and the "cussin" is louder and more frequent. Her scores after the surgery were not great because of the cussing, but every time she does one, we laugh (and so does the audience) and are so grateful that she can. [Ed.'s note: This verbalizing is not uncommon in Norwich in the obedience ring and has often been the cause of scores lower than the performance seemed to warrant.]

We are blessed with two great Norwich; the second one named Digby is on his way!

Dave and Joanie Brobst, Glen Allen, VA May 1, 2015



Puppies in a basket







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Photo credit: Lisa Sons



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ABOUT THE MASTER EARTHDOG TEST

To give the readers a very brief explanation of what is involved in the main points of a Master Earthdog Test, the following description is provided – note that it covers only the main points of the test:

There are three parts to the Master Earthdog Test. The judges try to make the hunting situation as close to a live hunt as possible. The first part is called the "Hunt Up". The dog is paired with another terrier and the two of them go through a field and/or rough area searching/hunting for quarry. The judge has laid out a scent line here and there on the way to the Master Earthdog Den. The dog is judged by how well he hunts on his own and how he honors finds made by his brace partner. The dog must be under the handler's voice control at all times, but at the same time show persistence in demonstrating his hunting ability. There is a false den located a specific distance from the real Master Den. The dog must check it, but not spend more than 15 seconds in determining that there is no game present.



Get that rat

Then it is on the to the Master Den and the second part of the test, which is called "The Mark." The rats are in a cage behind a partition made out of wood dowels at the entrance to the Den, which protects the rats and prevents the dogs from entering the den. The terriers are expected to "mark" the presence of quarry at this entrance by barking, scratching and giving some kind of definite indication that this is the spot to find the rats. Once the first dog indicates this, then the second dog is allowed to do the same. Then, while it is out of the dogs' sight, the rat cage is moved to the end of the den tunnels and the first dog that marked the presence of the rats at the den entrance is taken to the entrance by the handler and released into the den. This starts the third portion of the test. After the first dog is finished, the second dog gets to go. In the meantime, the second dog waits and must stay relatively quiet on the end of a chain with his handler.

There is a false den underground, a narrowing of the tunnel called a "restriction" and further on a baffle – which is a piece of PVC pipe on a roller that rotates when the dog climbs over it to get to the rats – it also can be a bit noisy, which can give some dogs an additional problem. This baffle is supposed to simulate some sort of blockage inside the tunnel, which does sometimes occur in a natural tunnel, e.g. tree roots, rocks and/or the like. There is also a second entrance/exit from the tunnels, which comes before the the dog gets to the rats. Either the dog must bypass it and go on to the rats, or the dog may investigate it and even come out of the exit, but it must go back inside and get to the rats in the time allowed – 90 seconds from when he first enters the original tunnel. The dog may never leave the rats once he begins "working the rats" (a Cardinal Sin in Earthdog!) until his 90 seconds of work is up – and the handler removes him safely (safely for both handler and one very excited terrier!).

Joan Krantz, whose Henry earned his ME title this past May, describes the experience, "The walk up to the den with another dog as brace mate is such a pleasure to watch as the dogs dart back and forth or in and out of woods or hedgerow. Sometimes, Henry sticks a little too close or checks in often, but with the right brace mate, he's off and hunting. Getting to the rats, he's a serious worker and his bark lets you know that he means business. When the rats leave, he's ready to find them again. So for the most part, he leaves that spot, exits the tunnels, and we become a hunting team again to do some happy brush hunting on our way back."

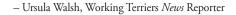
- Ursula Walsh, Working Terriers News Reporter

MASTER EARTHDOG – NEW TITLES

CH Denwich The Lion-Hearted ME (call name "Leo") earned his Master Earthdog on April 4, 2015. Born March 14, 2008, Leo is owned and bred by Denise M. Faulkner and Dana M. Faulkner

Pinelake's Happy Fearless Explorer RAMXMXBMXJMXBOFMECGC earned his Master Earthdogon May 3, 2015. Born August 10, 2012, he isowned by Joan S. Krantzand bred by Carol S. Clark and Karen Sullivan

There are now eight Norwich Terriers who have earned ME titles since 2004. The oldest was my Sophie who earned hers at age 12 and the youngest is Joan Krantz's Henry who earned his at two years and nine months old.





Got that ME Title!

SHOWFRONT

2015 LOUISVILLE ROVING SPECIALTY

The Kentuckiana Cluster Dog Shows, at the Kentucky State Fairgrounds in Louisville, was THE PLACE TO BE on March 12-15, 2015. We kicked off the four-day cluster with an NTCA supported entry on Thursday, followed by the NTCGC supported entry (Friday), then the NTCA Roving Specialty (Saturday), and to wrap it up, the Lone Star club hosted a supported entry on Sunday. Trophies were exceptional as they always are when John and Elsie Francisco and Susan Miller Hall are involved. Special thanks to Jim and Lorrie Kinney for manning and making sure everything went smoothly. And thanks also to Jill Lowry, April Clark and Cathy Rogers! All-breed agility, obedience and rally trials took place all four days. Our NTCA members stayed at La Quinta Inn & Suites, a dog-friendly and convenient host hotel where we had a pizza party. Patty Warrender provided wine and cheese and displayed Notions for purchase. The banquet was a highlight at Bristol's Bar & Grill with a buffet that included traditional Kentucky cuisine like hot browns. And while we enjoyed our coffee and dessert (derby pie and bread pudding with rum sauce), Dr. Bryden Stanley spoke informally about her NTUAS study (now approved by the Canine Health Foundation). Dr. Stanley was also available at ringside and in the Norwich reserved grooming area to answer questions. For the second year in a row, the Louisville Roving Specialty was a huge success!

MID-KENTUCKY KENNEL CLUB, INC.

Thursday, March 12, 2015 JUDGE: Mrs. Barbara Dempsey Alderman

Best of Breed: GCH DANCY'S ROUGH RIDER RN 24066201. 06-07-12. Dog. Ch Cobby's Hidden Treasure X GCH Dancy's Storm Warning. *Owner/Breeder:* Nancy & Dwain Lentz.

Best of Opposite Sex: CH COUNTRY GIRL SASSY LASSY RN 25742102. 08-07-13. Bitch. GCH Fentondale Rudy Rooster's Rabbit Ridge X Ch Country Girl Bon Bon. *Owner/Breeder:* Linda McCutcheon.

Select Dog/Best of Breed Owner Handled/Owner Handled Group 1: GCH DEN-MAR'S WILD CARD RN 24841801. 10-09-2012. Dog. GCH Skyscot's Texas Hold 'Em X Ch Den-Mar's It Is What It Izzy. *Owner/Breeder:* Marie Cato.

Select Bitch: CH WILDGOOSE RUNWAY AT HIGH PINES RN 26437101. 05-08-13. Bitch. GCH Wild Devils Kevin Costner X Ch Wildgoose London's Calling. *Owner:* Anne Sikorski, MD *Breeder:* Victor Sattler & Corrine Floger.

Best of Winners/Winner Dog: DIGNPOP RED TED RN 25077503. 01-26-13 (BBE). Ch Kilyka's Bonfire X Dignpop Fine Line. *Owner/Breeder:* Magda Chiarella.

Winners Bitch: LITTLEFIELD UN CERTO NON SO CHE RN 25845501. 07-13-13 (BBE). Ch Littlefield Pieces Of Eight X Ch Panzanella Degli Acquisti Per Littlefield. *Owner/Breeder:* Leandra Little

Reserve Winners Dog: IMPRESSIVE 24 KARAT BUMBLE BEE RN 27039301. 06-04-14 (9-12 mos). Ch In The Wilderness Grizzly From D And D X Aint Misbehaving. *Owner:* Don & Roberta Chowning *Breeder:* Doris Sneider.

Reserve Winners Bitch: JANORAS SWEET INSPIRATION RN 26409902. 01-21-14 (BBE). Ch Beric's Morgan Kelliwic X Ch Janoras The Sweetest Word. *Owner/Breeder:* Norma Braun

EVANSVILLE KENNEL CLUB, INC.

Saturday, March 14, 2015 JUDGE: Ms. Robin Hoch

Best in Sweepstakes: FISHBACK SHO-ME SUM SCRUMPY CIDER RN 26041601. 10-17-13. Bitch. (12-18 mos). Ch Abbedale Brass Tacks X Miller's Sho-Me Polished Amber. *Owner/Breeder:* Susan Miller Hall & Fran Westfall.

Best of Opposite in Sweepstakes: FISHBACK FRANKLY SPEAKING RN 27062301. 06-01-14. Dog. (9-12 mos).GCH Camio's Educated Exemplar X Ch Fishback Forget-Me-Not. *Owner/Breeder:* April Clark & Amy Grace Clark & Susan Miller Hall.

Best in Veteran Sweepstakes: GCH ELYSIUM'S CIAO BELLA RN 13863501. 04-15-07. Bitch. (7 Years & Over). Ch Reverie's Mr. Big Stuff X Ch Dunbar's Dauntless Debutante. *Owner:* Carol S Clark & Karen Sullivan & Bruce Sullivan, DVM *Breeder:* Bruce Sullivan, DVM & Karen Sullivan.

Best of Opposite in Veteran Sweepstakes: CH DUNBAR'S KENSINGTON SQUARE RN 09306102. 08-10-05. Dog. (7 Years & Over). Ch Dunbar's Little Red Ryder X Ch Dunbar's Winning Colors II. *Owner:* Barbara A Crosby *Breeder:* Joan Schurr Kefeli.

JUDGE: Mr. Charles L. Olvis

Best of Breed/Best of Winners/Winners Bitch: BIRCHBAY-BELFYRE HONEY BEAR RN 26694701. 04-22-14 (Open). Birchbay-Belfyre Legend Of Texas X Birchbay Polly Belle. *Owner:* Polly O'Neal & Janis Birchall *Breeder:* Janis Birchall, MD.

Best of Opposite Sex: CH BRONWYN HE'S A HEARTBREAKER RN 23968202. 02-14-12. Dog. Cog-Wheel's Alladin-Sane X Ch Bronwyn Cadbury's Amazin' Raisin. *Owner:* Minna-Liisa Koltes *Breeder:* Minna-Liisa Koltes & Bob Busby & P Richardson.

Select Dog: GCH DANCY'S ROUGH RIDER RN 24066201. 06-07-12. Dog. Ch Cobby's Hidden Treasure X GCH Dancy's Storm Warning. *Owner/Breeder*: Nancy Lentz & Dwain Lentz.



BIRCHBAY-BELFYRE HONEY BEAR

Select Bitch: CH WILDGOOSE RUNWAY AT HIGH PINES RN 26437101. 05-08-13. Bitch. GCH Wild Devils Kevin Costner X Ch Wildgoose London's Calling. *Owner:* Anne Sikorski, MD *Breeder:* Victor Sattler & Corrine Floger.

Best of Breed Owner Handled: GCH DEN-MAR'S WILD CARD RN 24841801. 10-09-12. Dog. GCH Skyscot's Texas Hold 'Em X Ch Den-Mar's It Is What It Izzy. Owner/Breeder: Marie Cato.

Winners Dog: IMPRESSIVE 24 KARAT BUMBLE BEE RN 27039301. 06-04-14 (9-12 mos). Ch In The Wilderness Grizzly From D And D X Aint Misbehaving. *Owner:* Don & Roberta Chowning *Breeder:* Doris Sneider.

Reserve Winners Dog: KALEIDOSCOPE ACTON RN 26169101. 11-15-13 (BBE). GCH Taliesin Double Brass X Ch Scalawag's Prime Suspect At Kaleidoscope NAP NJP. *Owner:* Debra J Lang *Breeder:* Debra J Lang & Y Vertlieb.

Reserve Winners Bitch: FISHBACK SHO-ME SUM SCRUMPY CIDER RN 26041601. 10-17-13 (12-18 mos). Ch Abbedale Brass Tacks X Miller's Sho-Me Polished Amber. *Owner/Breeder:* Susan Miller Hall & Fran Westfall.

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA TERRIER ASSOCIATION

Thursday, April 9, 2015 JUDGE: Mr. Jon R. Cole

Best of Breed/Best of Breed Owner Handled/Owner Handler Group 1: GCH DANCY'S ROUGH RIDER RN 24066201. 06-07-12. Dog. Ch Cobby's Hidden Treasure X GCH Dancy's Storm Warning. *Owner/Breeder:* Nancy Lentz & Dwain Lentz.

Best of Opposite Sex: GCH CAPABILITY'S HOT TIN LIZZIE RN 24824101. 06-09-12. Bitch. GCH Itsy Bitsy Troubadour X Capability Skylark. *Owner:* Claire Johnson & Alexandra Geremia & Sandra Stemmler *Breeder:* Claire Johnson & Brenda Newcomb & Sandra Stemmler.

Select Dog: GCH CHERBER'S DOUBLE YOUR MONEY AT IMAGE RN 24100301. 05-14-12. Dog. GCH Waiterock Jack Falstaff X GCH Double Squeeze Of Image. *Owner:* Cheryl Berens & Monti Craig *Breeder:* Cheryl S Berens.

Best of Winners/Winners Dog/Best Puppy/Puppy Group 2: KILYKA'S SAGITTARIUS SHINES OVER CAMELOT RN 26993702. 07-09-14 (9-12 mos). GCH Thunderwood's First Robin Of Spring X Ch Kilyka's Witch Hazel. *Owner:* Dr. Vu Nguyen & Gregory Dotzman *Breeder:* Betty McDonnell.

Winners Bitch: DEN-MAR'S CHLOEPATRA AT VERDANT RN 27244401. 08-10-14 (6-9 mos). GCH Den-Mar's Shoot For The Moon X Moondance Never A Dull Moment At Den-Mar. *Owner:* Chee Wai Chen & Cary Jay Trexler *Breeder:* Robin Hoch & Marie Cato.

Reserve Winners Dog: BRIARDALES LONE RANGER RN 26993801. 06-07-14 (9-12 mos). Ch Reverie's Mr Cool Stuff X Ch Briardales Rodeo Queen. *Owner:* Carole Foucrault *Breeder:* Theresa A Hartman & Carole Bullwinkle Foucrault.

Reserve Winners Bitch: DANCY'S CALYPSO RN 26952101. 07-02-14 (BBE). Ch Cobby's Hidden Treasure X GCH Dancy's Storm Warning. *Owner/Breeder:* Nancy & Dwain Lentz.

COLUMBIA TERRIER ASSOCIATION OF MARYLAND

Friday, April 17, 2015 JUDGE: Ms. Georgia R. Crompton

Best in Sweepstakes: FXHNT JUSLYN MAKING AN APPEARANCE RN 27775501. 10-16-14. Dog. (6-9 mos). GCH Bronwyn He's A Heartbreaker X Ch FXHNT Keeping Up Appearances. *Owner/Breeder:* Hal Happersett & Roxanne Sutton.

Best of Opposite in Sweepstakes: DUNBAR'S HEIRESS RN 27237501. 09-06-14. Bitch. (6-9 mos). GCH Dunbar's Heir Apparent X Dunbar's The Sky Is The Limit. *Owner/Breeder:* Joan Schurr-Kefeli & Jenna Kefeli.

JUDGE: Mrs. Karen C. Wilson

Best of Breed: CH BRONWYN HE'S A HEARTBREAKER RN 23968202. 02-14-12. Dog. Cog-Wheel's Alladin-Sane X Ch Bronwyn Cadbury's Amazin' Raisin. *Owner:* Minna-Liisa Koltes *Breeder:* Minna-Liisa Koltes & Bob Busby & P Richardson.

Best of Opposite Sex: CH COUNTRY GIRL SASSY LASSY RN 25742102. 08-07-13. Bitch. GCH Fentondale Rudy Rooster's Rabbit Ridge X Ch Country Girl Bon Bon. *Owner/Breeder:* Linda McCutcheon.

Select Dog: GCH ABBEDALE LIFE OF RILEY AT GLENGARIFF RN 24578504. 09-09-12. Dog. Ch Abbedale Bob's Brother X Ch Abbedale Posh Spice. Owner: Judy & John Laffey Breeder: Joan Eckert.

Select Bitch: CH WILDGOOSE RUNWAY AT HIGH PINES RN 26437101. 05-08-13. Bitch. GCH Wild Devils Kevin Costner X Ch Wildgoose London's Calling. *Owner:* Anne Sikorski MD *Breeder:* Victor Sattler & Corrine Folger.

Best of Breed Owner Handled/Owner Handler Group 2: GCH FLY'N HIGH'S SONIC BOOM RN 19845701. 09-28-09. Dog. Ch Rosecroft Once More X Ch Ascot Tiger Lily. *Owner/Breeder:* Sharon L Jones.

Best of Winners/Winners Dog: COUNTRY BOY LOOKS GOOD LIKE WINSTON SHOULD RN 25742104. 08-07-13 (Open). GCH Fentondale Rudy Rooster's Rabbit Ridge X Ch Country Girl Bon Bon. *Owner:* James J DeMason *Breeder:* Linda McCutcheon.

Winners Bitch: COVENTRY'S POCKET FULL OF POSEYS RN 26493704. 02-02-14 (12-18 mos). Ch High Fire's True Copper X Ch Coventrys Run For The Roses. *Owner/Breeder:* Dale Marins & Timothy Irwin Martins.

Reserve Winners Dog/Best Puppy: BRONWYN LIBOS GOLDEN TICKET RN 27128603. 08-02-14 (6-9 mos). Bronwyn Never Say Never Again X Ch Bronwyn Passion For Chocolate. *Owner:* Lisa Brito & Minna-Liisa Koltes *Breeder:* Minna-Liisa Koltes.

Reserve Winners Bitch: DREAMWEAVER ELECTRA AT FLY'N HIGH RN 25993901. 06-19-13 (Am Bred). Ch Fly'n High's Paratrooper X Ch Dreamweaver Kiwi Magic. *Owner:* Sharon L Jones, Mohrsville, PA 19541. *Breeder:* Alfred J Ferruggiaro.

NTCA SUPPORTED ENTRY & SWEEPS AT GARDEN STATE ALL TERRIER CLUB

Friday, May 1, 2015

The Garden State All Terrier Club celebrated its 20th Anniversary on May 1 in fine style with two specialties (Airedale & Parson Russell Terriers) and ten supported entries including Norwich. The show is held every year at the expansive 2,500-acre Mercer County Park in West Windsor, NJ. With the bright backdrop of yellow and white tenting, Garden State sets the scene as the first of the warm weather al fresco shows in the Northeast jump-starting the season with a four-show weekend, three of which are held at the park.

Longtime-breeder judge, Dr. Elaine Miller (Newmiller Norwich), had an entry of five (2-3) in Sweeps. Her choice for **Best in Sweeps** – **Foxwood Fairmount's Ultraman** (GCH Foxwood Super Hero-Fairmount Ultra Violet) bred by Kathleen Sadler and owned by Kathryn Mines. **Best of Opposite Sex in Sweeps** went to **Kilyka's Witch Upon A Star** (Ch. Kilyka's High Voltage, UD, NA, NAJ-Ch. Kilyka's Rare Bird Alert, NA, NAJ bred and owned by Betty McDonnell. Both took home a plethora of trophies, including iron-earthenware mugs crafted by potter Vaughan Smith. With a Norwich Terriers-in-a-garden motif these one-of-a-kind trophies were supported by the NTCA with additional contributions from "angels" Nancy and Janos Fonyo, Leandra Little and Betty McDonnell. Kathy and Betty also took home nice L.L. Bean fleece pet blankets embroidered with the year, club and award offered by Peggy Helming (Pouch Cove); Wheatley Wentzell (Veritas); and Dr. Denis Johnson. First in each class received a beautiful rosette offered by Alicia Smilowitz (Romany Kennels); Richard Giotta; and Will Sparks. Each entrant also received a cute Norwich magnet offered by Leandra Little (Littlefield).

In the regular classes long-time terrier man Thomas D. Parrotti had an entry of 27 5-9 (8-5). His choice for **BOB** in a very competitive specials class: **Ch. Bronwyn He's A Heartbreaker** (Cog-Wheel's Alladin-Sane – Ch. Bronwyn Cadbury's Amazin'Raisin) bred by Bob Busby & Prue Richardson; owned and being campaigned by Minna-Liisa Koltes. "Kicker" is handled by Roxanne Sutton. Later in the day, Judge Scott Kellogg awarded Kicker **Group 3**.

BOS/BOW/WB/OH Group 4 from the Bred-By class: **Paradym Bet On Black** (Am. & Can. Ch. Paradym Yarrow Mark My Words – Ch. Rexroth Best Bette at Paradym) "Jetta" is a lovely black and tan bitch bred and owned by Kelly Wood. Jetta also placed OH Group 4 under Judge Kenneth Kauffman. Kelly flew down from Canada for two of the shows (GSATC and Bucks) and nearly had to pay overweight baggage charges for all the swag she hauled back.

Select Dog: GCH Highwood's Whirling Dun (Ch. WWW.Redbully De Vom Rittersee – Highwood's Pheasant Tail) bred by Knowlton Reynders and owned by Janos & Nancy Fonyo; handled by Andrew Green.

Select Bitch: Ch. Wildgoose Runway At High Pines (GCH Wild Devil's Kevin Costner – Ch. Wildgoose London's Calling) Bred by Victor Sattler and Corrine Folger; owned by Anne Sikorski; handled by Jaime Koskowski.

Winners Dog/Best Puppy: DiDio's Faithful Faolan (Ch. Bronwyn's He's A Heartbreaker – Ch. Beulah Di Dio) bred and owned by Bob Busby and handled by Roxanne Sutton. Reserve Winners Dog: Foxwood Fairmont Ultraman (see Best in Sweeps)

Winners Bitch: Paradym Bet On Black (see BOS)

Reserve Winners Bitch: High Pines Rosemary (GCH Wild Devil's Kevin Costner – Ch. High Pines Sage) bred and owned by Anne and Susan Sikorski PHD and handled by R.C. Carusi.

The show always attracts a strong field. This year, there were 14 in the specials class. While not quite the entry at Montgomery, it was an impressive line-up. Trophies in the regular classes were also memorable. Special thanks go to the national club and additional donors mentioned above for contributing to the lovely iron earthenware plates (crafted by potter Vaughan Smith). Winners Dog and Winners Bitch trophies were lovely etched glass coffee mugs with a Norwich motif offered by Judy & John Laffey (Glengariff Norwich). Miniature pewter jiggers offered by Missy Wood (Terrapin Norwich) were given for Best Bred-By Dog and Bitch in memory of Ch. Terrapin Time Flies and Ch. Terrapin Topiary. An etched glass coffee mug was also offered by Leandra Little for Best Puppy in memory of Littlefield Little's Night Music.

Thanks to all who entered and turned out. Congratulations to all the winners!

Leandra Little Trophy Coordinator, GSATC Littlefield Norwich,Weehawken, NJ

MATTAPONI KENNEL CLUB

Saturday, May 16, 2015 Sweepstakes JUDGE: Dr. Frederic B. Askin

Best of Opposite in Sweepstakes: FISHBACK FRANKLY SPEAKING RN 27062301. 07-02-14. Dog. (9-12 mos). GCH Camio's Educated Exemplar X Ch Fishback Forget-Me-Not. *Owner/Breeder:* April Clark & Amy Grace Clark & Susan Miller Hall.

Best in Sweepstakes: COVENTRY'S POCKET FULL OF POSEYS RN 26493704. 02-02-14. Bitch. (12-18 mos). Ch High Fire's True Copper X Ch Coventrys Run For The Roses. *Owner/Breeder:* Dale Martins & Timothy Irwin Martins.

JUDGE: Mr. John Constantine

Best of Breed: CH BRONWYN HE'S A HEARTBREAKER RN 23968202. 02-14-12. Dog. Cog-Wheel's Alladin-Sane X Ch Bronwyn Cadbury's Amazin' Raisin. *Owner:* Minna-Liisa Koltes *Breeder:* Minna-Liisa Koltes & Bob Busby & P Richardson.

Best of Opposite Sex: CH FISHBACK SHO-ME SUM SCRUMPY CIDER RN 26041601. 10-17-13. Bitch. Ch Abbedale Brass Tacks X Miller's Sho-Me Polished Amber. *Owner/Breeder:* Susan Miller Hall & Fran Westfall.

Select Dog: CH DREAMWEAVER UP THE ANTE @ COVENTRY RN 25934103. 06-14-13. Dog. GCH Skyscot's Poker Chip X Dreamweavers NY Minute. Owner: Dale Hutton Martins & Timothy Irwin Martins Breeder: Alfred J Ferruggiaro.

Best of Winners/Winners Dog: FISHBACK FRANKLY SPEAKING RN 27062301. 07-02-14 (BBE). GCH Camio's Educated Exemplar X Ch Fishback Forget-Me-Not. *Owner/Breeder:* April Clark & Amy Grace Clark & Susan Miller Hall.

Winners Bitch: COVENTRY'S POCKET FULL OF POSEYS RN 26493704. 02-02-14 (12-18 mos). Ch High Fire's True Copper X Ch Coventrys Run For The Roses. *Owner/Breeder:* Dale Martins & Timothy Irwin Martins.

Reserve Winners Dog: FXHNT JUSLYN WILBUR OF WESTMINSTER CANTERBURY RN 27860701. 02-01-14 (BBE). Ch FXHNT JUSLYN The Morning Star X Ch FXHNT Flying Spur. *Owner:* Alice Lees & Hal Happersett & Roxanne Sutton *Breeder:* Hal Happersett & Roxanne Sutton.

Reserve Winners Bitch: YARROW VENERIE SLIGHTLY ROSEY RN 25654101. 04-13-13 (Open). GCH Ascot Sanspur At Yarrow X Ch Taras Mac-Ken-Char Mary Jane. *Owner:* Jamie Lahy & Beth Sweigart *Breeder:* Pam Beale & Beth Sweigart.

GREAT WESTERN TERRIER ASSOCIATION

Saturday, June 20, 2105 JUDGE: Ms. Christine Erickson

Best of Breed: GCH DANCY'S ROUGH RIDER RN 24066201 06-07-2012. Dog. Ch Cobby's Hidden Treasure X GCH Dancy's Storm Warning. *Owner/Breeder:* Nancy and Dwain Lentz.

Winners Bitch/Best of Opposite Sex: ABBEDALE DOUBLE TAKE AT TORIN RN 26220201 09-12-2013 (Open). Ch Abbedale Ring O'Brodgar X GCH Abbedale Take Two at Taliesin. *Owner:* Pam Seifert & Jeff Seifert & Joan Eckert *Breeder:* Lisa Sons & John Sons. & Joan Eckert.

Reserve Winners Bitch/Best Bred by Exhibitor: DANCY'S CALYPSO RN 26952101 07-02-2014 (BBE). Ch Cobby's Hidden Treasure X GCH Dancy's Storm Warning. *Owner/Breeder:* Nancy and Dwain Lentz.

TRINITY VALLEY KENNEL CLUB INC.

Friday, July 3, 2015 JUDGE: Dr Gerard C Penta

Best of Breed: GCH CH DANCY'S ROUGH RIDER RN 240662/01 06-07-2012. Dog. Ch Cobby's Hidden Treasure X GCH Dancy's Storm Warning. *Owner/Breeder:* Nancy & Dwain Lentz.

Best of Opposite Sex: CH ITSY BITSY RED HOT LEGACY RN 249517/04 12-03-2012. Bitch. Ch Reverie's Royal Legacy X Ch Baybreez Beck 'N Call. *Owner:* Tonnie Willrich & Gerard Willrich. *Breeder:* Tonnie Willrich, Gerard Willrich, and Peggy Schmidt.

Select Dog: CH ROSEROCK'S ATTICUS FINCH RN 237118/03 02-17-2012. Dog. Ch Skyscot's Midnight Cowboy X Ch DUNBAR'S Belle of the Ball. *Owner:* Alejandro Garza Gomez & Manual Edgar Lopez *Breeder:* Ellen Ford.

Select Bitch: GCH NORIELAND ANDREA GAIL RN 210932/01 06-14-2010. Bitch. Ch Skyscot's Man in Command X Ch Norieland Sexy Sadie. *Owner:* Kate Zimmer *Breeder:* Karen & Steve Vaughn. Best of Winners/Winners Dog: DUNBAR WATERMARK RED PRINCE RN 272375/02. 09-06-2014 (9-12 mos). GCH Dunbar's Heir Apparent X Ch Dunbar's The Sky Is The Limit. *Owner:* Phyliss Giroux, DVM *Breeder:* Joan Schurr Kefell & Jenne Kefeil.

Winners Bitch: KINGSCROSS GUESS WHAT RN 273607/01. 09-16-2014 (9-12 mos). GCH Camio's Educated Exemplar-GCH Rexroth No Limit. *Owner:* Judy McNamara, Jody Collier, Jerry & David Baird *Breeder:* Jerry & David Baird, Judy McNamara, Caroline Dodwill.

Reserve Winners Dog: CASINO'S BET ON RED RN 275545/01. 10-01-2014 (6-9 mos). GCH Ch Birchbay's Wild Side at Belfyre X Ch Skyscot's All In Na Naj. Owner: Caroline Dodwill & Nancy Wilde Breeder: Caroline Dodwill.

Reserve Winners Bitch: BIRCHBAY PRINCESS GRACE RN 258004/01. 05-11-2013 (BBE). Ch Birchbay Sir Galahad X Ch Wildwest Darlin' Clementine. *Owner/Breeder:* Janis L Birchall.

NTCA SUPPORTED ENTRY AT SAMMAMISH KC SNOHOMISH, WA

Sunday, August 23, 2015

The NTCA Supported Entry at the Sammamish KC show helped the club to celebrate its 40th summer show in a new venue this year. The all-breed SKC moved its event to the Cascade Air Park southeast of the city of Everett, away from its traditional setting in Marymoor Park in Redmond, due to increasing costs and park scheduling conflicts. Unfortunately when the move was announced the corresponding back-to-back All Terrier Club of Western Washington shows decided to pull up stakes and split their dates moving to January and June in Puyallup so Sammamish is now a stand-alone.

The new grounds are reached via a long dusty slow motion ride through a cornfield. The lane eventually narrows to a single track culminating in a dive beneath a railway trestle. However, once through the underpass, the confines open up to a spacious area with plenty of parking. The fields at the Airpark are used by large scale model airplane enthusiasts. With their eyes on the clouds, the hobbyists apparently don't seem to care much about the terrain beneath their feet which can charitably be described as uneven, a problem especially for the short-legged breeds.

Still, the club is very well-organized and there are plenty of members standing by in orange vests to point directions and give aid. Everyone is very pleasant, and the club provides golf carts to ferry attendees and equipment. There are no grooming tents at most outdoor Washington shows, so everyone brings a pop-up and an overnight fair atmosphere takes over. Even though ATCWW has moved its shows, there are still several specialties which have accompanied Sammamish including Staffordshire Bull Terrier Club of America, Seattle-Tacoma German Wirehaired Pointer Club, Puget Sound English Setter Club and several others.

It's undeniable, however, that the move and the lack of the Terrier group shows on the preceding Friday and Saturday has had an adverse impact on the Terrier entries overall. With the exception of the Staffy Bulls, which had an entry of 22 this year, up from 18 in 2014, most terrier entries were down. For example, last year there were 21 Border Terriers; this year just 7. In 2014, there were nine Cairns; 2015 saw no Cairns.

The overall impact was equally glaring in Norwich. Last year, there were 12 on hand. This year there were just four entered: 2-0 (1-1). In Sweepstakes, Breeder-Judge Karen Whalen, had an entry of 2-0. Regrettably, one of the class dogs was absent, so **Dungeness Inspector Bruno by Littlefield** (Ch. Littlefield Just Let It Ride X Littlefield Veritas Lillian of Dungeness) was the lone sweeps entry and class dog. He was a winner! Bruno, handled by his owner Dr. Elaine Jong, got to take home lovely rosettes and etched glass wine glasses with a Norwich motif--perfect for a celebratory toast as he showed very well.

Provisional Judge Lorriane Bisso awarded BOB (and the lovely stained glass Norwich Terrier made by Jeff Little) to **Ch. Myk-Lyn's Amblegreen Johnny Reb**. Johnny was bred by Lynne Davis and Heather Tomlins (GCH Cherber's Double Your Money at Image X Ch. Amblegreen Raffi Taffi) and is owned by Lynne and Heather. BOS went to **Ch. Littlefield Un Certo Non So Che** (Ch. Littlefield Pieces of Eight X Ch. Panzanella Degli Acqusti per Littlefield) bred and owned by Leandra Little.

Plans for the NTCA supported entry at Sammamish are up in the air at this writing and may move to one of the All Terrier Club of Western Washington shows. Thanks very much to Lynne Davis for coordinating the supported entry as she has in the past. The weather was beautiful if a bit atmospheric due sadly to the fires burning in eastern Washington. If the supported entry moves to Puyallup, this will be my last write-up for this show, so herewith passing the pen.

Leandra Little Littlefield Norwich, Tulalip, WA llittle9@earthlink.net

SHOWFRONT

MONTGOMERY 2015

"Don't let the rain come down . . . "

It was raining at 3:30 a.m. on Wednesday, September 30, upon awakening to let the dogs out and finish loading up the truck that would take people, dogs, and dog show equipment on a two-hour drive to the Hatboro Kennel Club-I Show. It did not bode well that gusts of wind were driving the rain sideways! Dire predictions from the local weather stations announced that Hurricane Joaquin was moving northward from the Bahamas and expected to hit landfall along the Northeast coast within a few days — the following Saturday...or Sunday at the latest, accompanied by torrential rainfalls. Was 2015 going to be the year of another "Mud-gomery?"

However, the rain stopped during the early morning hours so that arrivals at the Middletown Grange Fairgrounds in Wrightstown, PA found the show site's roads easily navigable and the grass damp with just scattered mud puddles. Exhibitors and their dogs found their way to indoor Ring 17 without needing umbrellas for the 8 a.m. Norwich ring time. Outdoors under the grooming tents, dog show people discovered old friends from near and far, and many "FaceBook" friends met in person for the first time! As the day went on, the skies cleared to high overcast clouds, and a spirit of optimism was prevalent among the Montgomery show circuit participants. Many exhibitors traveled that afternoon from the Hatboro show over to Colonial Park in Somerset, NJ, to set up their grooming areas for Thursday's Morris & Essex Show.

Show day on Thursday, October 1, for the Morris & Essex Show was blessed by no rain, mild temperatures, and high overcast cloudy skies — such good fortune for a show that is held only once every five years! In the scenic park setting, the show rings were all outside and exhibitors and their dogs appreciated that the grass in the rings was relatively dry and level. Many spectators and exhibitors were decked out in fancy hats and retro suits with vintage jewelry and accessories and gave the show its characteristic charm of a dog show from a bygone era!

Alas, it started to rain again late Thursday afternoon, and the weather plus the usual afternoon traffic turned what should have been an hour's drive from the Morris & Essex show grounds to the NTCA Host Hotel in Fort Washington, PA, into a frustrating three-hour journey for some unlucky club members, who found themselves mired in stop-and-go traffic on the freeway. The NTCA Membership Mixer and Health Seminar was held at the Host Hotel that Thursday night. For members that were unable to attend the health seminar, a video of Dr. Bryden Stanley's presentation on Norwich Terrier Upper Airway Syndrome is posted on YouTube, and the link is available on the NTCA website.

The rain stopped before the 8 a.m. Norwich ring time at the Hatboro Kennel Club-2 Show on Friday, October 2. And once again, exhibitors and dogs were in good spirits at the early morning Norwich breed judging. The good news was that revised weather forecasts reported that Hurricane Joaquin was changing direction and headed out to sea. On Friday afternoon, everyone gathered up their gear and prepared to drive over to the Ludwig's Corner Horse Show Grounds in Glenmoore, PA, to set up for Saturday's Devon Dog Show Association Show. Many remembered the rolling hills of the show grounds and had memories from years past of walking and lugging dog show equipment in the somewhat muddy, low-lying ground designated for participant parking. Then a rumor that the truck delivering Porta-Potties to the Devon show site had gotten stuck in the mud began to circulate at the Hatboro show site — a plausible story that everyone hoped was not true. However, some people decided to delay going over to the Devon location until the situation became clearer.

The official status of the Devon show came on Friday night at the Annual NTCA Awards Dinner, with receipt of an official announcement from the American Kennel Club: the Saturday, October 3, Devon Dog Show Association event had been cancelled due to the condition of the show grounds! Such disappointment among the exhibitors and judges alike! In good weather, the show grounds at the Devon Dog Show are spectacular, with two long rows of yellow and white striped show tents opening onto the outdoor rings, and vendors' booths circling the periphery of the set-up. However, given the soggy grounds resulting from days of rainfall, plus the usual slow pace of the circuitous roadways around the site, all traffic would have ground to a halt if just one vehicle had gotten stuck in the mud — and what about access for emergency response teams and vehicles if needed? Mud-Devon!

Onwards to Sunday, October 4, and the Montgomery County Kennel Club Show. There was no rain on Saturday, and the grounds at Montgomery County Community College in Blue Bell, PA, were in relatively good condition by the day of the NTCA National Specialty and Sweepstakes at Montgomery. An enthusiastic group of Norwich fanciers and friends gathered ringside to view and cheer for the beautifully exhibited dogs, from puppies to class dogs to finished champions to veterans! Bountiful ringside refreshments were served by the Club's Hospitality Committee. The awards table was gleaming with the coveted trophies, rosettes, and prizes. Another Montgomery was happening and the spectacle of the some of the nation's top show dogs in the ring was all that could be hoped for! At the end of the day, the Judges' selections celebrated their recognition, but truly, all participating dogs and their owners, exhibitors and breeders could be proud of the journey to Montgomery and putting forth their best in the ring. The results of the Hatboro-1, Morris & Essex, Hatboro-2, and Montgomery shows are given on the following pages.

Elaine Jong Port Townsend, WA



Norwich Terrier Club of Greater Chicago planning meeting for our June specialty.

HATBORO DOG CLUB 1

Wednesday, September 30, 2015 JUDGE: Thomas Parrotti

Best of Breed: GCH CAPABILITY'S HOT TIN LIZZIE RN 24824101. 06-09-2012. Bitch. GCH Itsy Bitsy Troubadour X Capability Skylark. *Owner:* Claire Johnson & Alexandra Geremia & Sandra Stemmler *Breeder:* Claire Johnson & Brenda Newcomb & Sandra Stemmler.

Best of Opposite Sex: GCH BRONWYN HE'S A HEARTBREAKER RN 23968202. 02-14-2012. Dog. Cog-Wheel's Alladin-Sane X Ch Bronwyn Cadbury's Amazin' Raisin. *Owner:* Minna-Liisa Koltes *Breeder:* Minna-Liisa Koltes & Bob Busby & P Richardson.

Select Dog: GCH TALIESIN TWICE AS NICE RN 24359302. 08-23-2012. Ch Abbedale Brass Tacks X Ch Abbedale Take Two At Taliesin. Dog. Owner: Lisa Sons & Joan Eckert Breeder: Lisa & John Sons & Joan Eckert.

Select Bitch: CH ABBEDALE DOUBLE TAKE AT TORIN RN 26220201. 09-12-2013. Ch Abbedale's Ring O' Brodgar X Ch Abbedale Take Two At Taliesin. Bitch. *Owner:* Pam Seifert & Jeff Seifert & Joan Eckert *Breeder:* Lisa Sons & Joan Eckert.

Award of Merit: GCH ABBEDALE LIFE OF RILEY AT GLENGARIFF RN 24578504. 09-09-2012. Ch Abbedale Bob's Brother X Ch Abbedale Posh Spice. Dog. *Owner:* Judy & John Laffey *Breeder:* Joan Eckert.

Award of Merit: CH ASCOT I JUST CAN'T WAIT TO BE KING RN 24859401. 09-12-2012. Ch Ragus Rock The House X Ch Ascot Sand Castle. Dog. *Owner/Breeder:* William J Schubart & Jane R Schubart.

Award of Merit: GCH CAMIO'S EDUCATED EXEMPLAR RN 22535501. 06-07-2011. Ch Abbedale Brass Tacks X Ch Camio's Educated Guess NJP. Dog. *Owner/Breeder:* Catherine Rogers.

Award of Merit: CH SCANDVIK HOTCOOLYOURS AT BRONWYN RN 26913901. 02-28-2014. Bronwyn Chocolate Chip X Elantiz Lady Gwyneth. Dog. *Owner:* Minna-Liisa Koltes *Breeder:* Svetlana Ryabenkova.

Best of Winners/Winners Bitch/Best of Breed Owner Handled: FAIREWOOD FRILLY KNICKERS RN 24524701. 03-30-2011 (Open). Fairewood For Your Eyes Only X Long Valley Fairewood Bliss. *Owner:* Pamela Murphy *Breeder:* Lotus Tutton.

Winners Dog: TORIN FITZHUGH AT ABBEDALE RN 27892304. 02-15-2015 (6-9 mos). Ch Abbedale Dibs On Domhnal Torin X Abbedale Henrietta To Torin. *Owner:* Joan Eckert & Pam Seifert & Meghan Timmerman *Breeder:* JL & Pam Seifert.

Reserve Winners Bitch: AMBLEGREEN DRALION HOT BLONDE RN 27006801. 02-06-2014 (BBE). Fairewood Forever Blue Jeans X GCH Amblegreen Bikini Blonde. *Owner:* Heather Tomlins *Breeder:* Heather Tomlins & Linda Dowdle & Peter Dowdle.

Reserve Winners Dog: DRALION'S CURB YOUR ENTHUSIASM RN 27275701. 05-12-2012 (BBE). Ch Fairewood For Your Eyes Only X Ch Dralion's Jovial Of Abbedale. *Owner:* Linda Dowdle & Marianne Holmes *Breeder:* Peter & Linda Dowdle.

MORRIS AND ESSEX KENNEL CLUB

Thursday, October 1, 2015 Sweepstakes JUDGE: Ms. Betty Bossio

Best in Sweepstakes: FOXGLYN'S FOTO FINNISH DI DIO' RN 26984101. 07-19-2014 (12-18 mos). GCH Bronwyn He's A Heartbreaker X Ch Beulah Di Dio'. *Owner:* Nichola Conroy & Lori Pelletier *Breeder:* Bob Busby.

Best of Opposite in Sweepstakes: DEN-MAR'S LOADED DECK RN 27468301. 10-05-2014 (9-12 mos). GCH Den-Mar's Wild Card X Ch Den-Mar's Don't Mess With My Toot Toot. *Owner/Breeder:* Marie Cato & Suzanne Bennett.

JUDGE: Mrs. Betty-Anne Stenmark

Best of Breed: GCH HIGHWOOD'S WHIRLING DUN RN 21365402. 09-06-2010. Dog. Ch WWW.Redbully De Vom Rittersee X Highwoods Pheasant Tail. *Owner:* Janos & Nancy Fonyo *Breeder:* Knowlton Reynders.

Best of Opposite Sex: CH WILDGOOSE RUNWAY AT HIGH PINES RN 26437101. 05-08-2013. Bitch. GCH Wild Devils Kevin Costner X Ch Wildgoose London's Calling. *Owner:* Anne Sikorski MD *Breeder:* Victor Sattler & Corrine Folger.

Select Dog: GCH BRONWYN HE'S A HEARTBREAKER RN 23968202. 02-14-2012. Dog. Cog-Wheel's Alladin-Sane X Ch Bronwyn Cadbury's Amazin' Raisin. *Owner:* Minna-Liisa Koltes *Breeder:* Minna-Liisa Koltes & Bob Busby & P Richardson.

Select Bitch: CH LITTLEFIELD UN CERTO NON SO CHE RN 25845501. 07-13-2013. Bitch. Ch Littlefield Pieces Of Eight X Ch Panzanella Degli Acquisti Per Littlefield. *Owner/Breeder:* Leandra Little.

Winners Dog/Best of Winners: FOXGLYN'S FOTO FINNISH DI DIO' RN 26984101. 07-19-2014. (12-18 mos). GCH Bronwyn He's A Heartbreaker X Ch Beulah Di Dio'. *Owner:* Nichola Conroy & Lori Pelletier *Breeder:* Bob Busby.

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Winners Bitch: DREAMWEAVER ELECTRA AT FLY'N HIGH RN 25993901. 06-19-2013 (Open). Ch Fly'n High's Paratrooper X Ch Dreamweaver Kiwi Magic. *Owner:* Sharon L Jones *Breeder:* Alfred J Ferruggiaro

Reserve Winners Dog: KILYKA'S SAGITTARIUS SHINES OVER CAMELOT RN 26993702. 07-09-2014. (12-18 mos). GCH Thunderwood's First Robin Of Spring X Ch Kilyka's Witch Hazel. *Owner:* Dr Vu Nguyen & Gregory Dotzman & Betty McDonald *Breeder:* Betty McDonnell.

Reserve Winners Bitch: AMBLEGREEN DRALION HOT BLONDE RN 27006801. 02-06-2014. (BBE). Fairewood Forever Blue Jeans X GCH Amblegreen Bikini Blonde. *Owner:* Heather Tomlins *Breeder:* Heather Tomlins & Linda Dowdle & Peter Dowdle.

HATBORO DOG CLUB II

Friday, October 2, 2015 JUDGE: Rosalind Kramer

Best of Breed: GCH HIGHWOOD'S WHIRLING DUN RN 21365402. 09-06-2010. Dog. Ch WWW.Redbully De Vom Rittersee X Highwoods Pheasant Tail Owner: Janos & Nancy Fonyo Breeder: Knowlton Reynders

Best of Opposite Sex: CH WILDGOOSE RUNWAY AT HIGH PINES RN 26437101. 05-08-2013. Bitch. GCH Wild Devils Kevin Costner X Ch Wildgoose London's Calling. *Owner:* Anne Sikorski MD *Breeder:* Victor Sattler & Corrine Folger.

Select Dog: GCH TALIESIN TWICE AS NICE RN 24359302. 08-23-2012. Dog. Ch Abbedale Brass Tacks X Ch Abbedale Take Two At Taliesin. Owner: Lisa Sons & Joan Eckert Breeder: Lisa & John Sons & Joan Eckert.

Select Bitch/Best of Breed Owner Handled: GCH ELYSIUM'S CIAO BELLA RN 13863501. 04-15-2007. Bitch. Ch Reverie's Mr. Big Stuff X Ch Dunbar's Dauntless Debutante. *Owner:* Carol S Clark & Karen Sullivan & Bruce Sullivan, DVM *Breeder:* Bruce Sullivan, DVM & Karen Sullivan

Award of Merit: CH ABBEDALE DOUBLE TAKE AT TORIN RN 26220201. 09-12-2013. Bitch. Ch Abbedale's Ring O' Brodgar X Ch Abbedale Take Two At Taliesin. *Owner:* Pam Seifert & Jeff Seifert & Joan Eckert *Breeder:* Lisa Sons & Joan Eckert.

Award of Merit: GCH ABBEDALE LIFE OF RILEY AT GLENGARIFF RN 24578504. 09-09-2012. Dog. Ch Abbedale Bob's Brother X Ch Abbedale Posh Spice. *Owner:* Judy & John Laffey *Breeder:* Joan Eckert.

Award of Merit: GCH DANCY'S ROUGH RIDER RN 24066201. 06-07-2012. Dog. Ch Cobby's Hidden Treasure X GCH Dancy's Storm Warning. *Owner/Breeder:* Nancy Lentz & Dwain Lentz.

Award of Merit: GCH FOXWOOD FREDDIE SET GO RN 23451301. 09-19-2011. Dog. GCH Foxwood Chasing A Dream X Ch Foxwood Redfern Glamour Girl. *Owner:* William J A Sparks & Richard Giotta *Breeder:* Kathryn Mines & Alexandra S Kress.

Winners Dog/Best of Winners: FOXGLYN'S FOTO FINNISH DI DIO' RN 26984101. 07-19-2014. (12-18 mos). GCH Bronwyn He's A Heartbreaker X Ch Beulah Di Dio'. *Owner:* Nichola Conroy & Lori Pelletier *Breeder:* Bob Busby.

Winners Bitch: LITTLEFIELD FIORINO D'ORO RN 25845502. 07-13-2013 (BBE). Ch Littlefield Pieces Of Eight X Ch Panzanella Degli Acquisti Per Littlefield. *Owner:* Leandra Little & Sandy Keller *Breeder:* Leandra Little.

Reserve Winners Dog: BRONWYN FIRST IMPRESSION DI DIO RN 27128601. 08-02-2014 (12-18 mos). Bronwyn Never Say Never Again X Ch Bronwyn Passion For Chocolate. *Owner:* Evan Minamishin & Bob Busby *Breeder:* Minna-Liisa Koltes.

Reserve Winners Bitch: AMBLEGREEN DRALION HOT BLONDE RN 27006801. 02-06-2014 (BBE). Fairewood Forever Blue Jeans X GCH Amblegreen Bikini Blonde. *Owner:* Heather Tomlins *Breeder:* Heather Tomlins & Linda Dowdle & Peter Dowdle.



Weedy







Bruno in the rock garden

MONTGOMERY COUNTY KENNEL CLUB

Sunday, October 4, 2015 **Sweepstakes** JUDGE: Mrs. Anna Bellenger

Best in Sweepstakes

FOXGLYN'S FOTO FINNISH DI DIO' RN 26984101. 07-19-2014. Dog. (12-15 mos) GCH Bronwyn He's A Heartbreaker X Ch Beulah Di Dio'. Owner: Nichola Conroy & Lori Pelletier Breeder: Bob Busby.



Best of Opposite in Sweepstakes DRALION'S BLYTHE SPIRIT RN 28338901. 03-13-2015. Bitch. (6-9 mos) Fairewood Forever Blue Jeans X Ch Dralion's Jovial Of Abbedale. Owner/Breeder: Peter & Linda Dowdle.

Best in Veteran Sweepstakes



CH ABBEDALE DIBS ON DOMHNAL TORIN RN 12391602. 06-29-2006. Dog. (7-10 years) Ch Dralions Smiles And Chuckles X Ch Abbedale The Brass Ring. Owner: Pam Seifert & Joan Eckert Breeder: Bonnie Johnson & Joan Eckert.



Best of Opposite in Veteran Sweepstakes

GCH ELYSIUM'S CIAO BELLA RN 13863501. 04-15-2007. Bitch. (7-10 years) Ch Reverie's Mr. Big Stuff X Ch Dunbar's Dauntless Debutante. Owner: Carol S Clark & Karen Sullivan & Bruce Sullivan, DVM Breeder: Bruce Sullivan, DVM & Karen Sullivan.

JUDGE: Ms. Peggy Beisel-Mcllwaine



Best of Breed GCH ROSEROCK'S ATTICUS FINCH RN 23711803. 02-17-2012. Dog. Ch Skyscot Midnight Cowboy X Ch Dunbar's Belle Of The Ball. Owner: Alejandro Garza & Manuel Lopez Breeder: Ellen Ford.



Best of Opposite Sex/Best Bred By Exhibitor PARADYM BET ON BLACK RN 27037701. 08-25-2013. Bitch. Ch Paradym Yarrow Mark My Words X Ch Rexroth Best Bette At Paradym. *Owner/Breeder:* Kelly Wood.



Select Bitch

CH LITTLEFIELD UN CERTO NON SO CHE RN 25845501. 07-13-2013. Bitch. Ch Littlefield Pieces Of Eight X Ch Panzanella Degli Acquisti Per Littlefield. Owner/Breeder: Leandra Little.

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Award of Merit GCH HIGHWOOD'S WHIRLING DUN RN 21365402. 09-06-2010. Dog. Ch WWW.Redbully De Vom Rittersee X Highwoods Pheasant Tail. *Owner:* Janos & Nancy Fonyo *Breeder:* Knowlton Reynders.

Award of Merit



GCH NORIDGE HOT LIPS HOOLIHAN RN 23604601. 08-20-2013. Bitch. GCH Foxwood Chasing AA Dream X Noridge Marine Brass. *Owner/Breeder:* Patricia Warrender.





GCH TALIESIN TWICE AS NICE RN 24359302. 08-23-2012. Dog. Ch Abbedale Brass Tacks X Ch Abbedale Take Two At Taliesin. *Owner:* Lisa Sons & Joan Eckert *Breeder:* Lisa & John Sons & Joan Eckert.



Winners Dog/Best of Winners

FOXGLYN'S FOTO FINNISH DI DIO' RN 26984101. 07-19-2014. (12-15 mos). GCH Bronwyn He's A Heartbreaker X Ch Beulah Di Dio'. *Owner:* Nichola Conroy & Lori Pelletier *Breeder:* Bob Busby.



Winners Bitch

DEN-MAR'S LOADED DECK RN 27468301. 10-05-2014. (9-12 mos). By GCH Den-Mar's Wild Card - Ch Den-Mar's Don't Mess With My Toot Toot. *Owner/Breeder:* Marie Cato & Suzanne Bennett.



Reserve Winners Dog BELFYRE'S BLACK GOLD RN 27827801. 01-15-2015. (6-9 mos). By GCH Birchbay's Wild Side At Belfyre - Ch Belfyre's Dora The X Plorer. *Owner/Breeder:* Polly O'Neal.



Reserve Winners Bitch

DEN-MAR'S CHLOEPATRA AT VERDANT RN 27244401. 08-10-2014. (12-15 mos). GCH Den-Mar's Shoot For The Moon X Moondance Never A Dull Moment At Den-Mar. *Owner:* Chee Wai Chen & Cary Jay Trexler & Marie Cato *Breeder:* Robin Hoch & Marie Cato.

JUDGE'S CRITIQUE: MONTGOMERY COUNTY KENNEL CLUB

Sunday, October 4, 2015

First I would like to thank the membership for inviting me to judge your national once again. For a judge there is no better honor than judging a breed's national. And it's even better, in my opinion, when it is a terrier national! This year's weather was 100% better than the previous year I judged. Special thanks to James and Lorrie Kinney for their hard work and to my great ring stewards, Karen and Joan.

A few general comments on some positive improvements I saw in the breed and a few concerns. I was so pleased to see the great improvement in teeth. I saw large teeth with a full set of incisors especially in the class dogs. A terrier's bite is an important requirement if they are going to be capable of performing their intended function. Overall, toplines and tailsets were very strong. I didn't see many weak backs or high rear ends. I did find quite a variety in proportions. For a breed that is supposed to be moderately short backed and compact, I saw many that were verging on a bit longer than tall. Another concern is bone, I had many that were too fine in bone. Generally, the coat condition was very good. However, I did have a few that had been enhanced to the point of insulting my intelligence. When your standard states "all shades of red, wheaten, black and tan or grizzle," why would making it orange or redder or blacker make it better? I remember 10 years ago mentioning the head trim resembling a Cairn and I am happy to say I didn't see any of that this year. So, good job on the proper presentation.

My winners dog: #43 Foxglyn's Foto Finnish Di Dio' came from the 12-15 month class. He caught my eye immediately and never disappointed. He is a lovely size, compact with an excellent head, eye, big teeth and correct bite. He was in excellent condition with the correct wiry straight coat. Correct proportions, strong bone and substance and a strong level topline with excellent side movement. He covered ground easily and showed with confidence.

Reserve winners dog went to #23 from the 6-9 puppy dog class. He also is a nice size with a proper compact outline, level topline and good bone. He also was in great condition with a lovely harsh coat. He has a lovely eye, good bite with large teeth. He also moved well around the ring.

Winners bitch went to #82, Den-Mar's Loaded Deck from the 9-12 month class. She is a lovely young bitch with good bone and a pleasing compact size. She has a lovely head, eye and expression, good bite and big teeth. She is compact in outline with a strong level topline. She moved very well.

Reserve winners bitch went to #48, Den-Mar's Chloepatra At Verdant from the 12-15 month class. She is a nice size and proper outline with a strong level topline. She has good bone, a lovely eye and good bite with large teeth. She was in great condition with the proper textured coat and correct presentation.

I had some really wonderful specials and, in particular, the males were very strong in quality.

My best of breed dog: #37 Ch Roserock's Atticus Finch is a lovely type dog. Correct size and outline, in wonderful condition without any exaggerations. He is compact, has a level topline and correct tailset. He has a broad skull and strong muzzle of proper length. He has a keen expression and correct scissor bite. He has plenty of bone. He showed very well with that confidence and spirit that endears us to our terriers. He moved with ease around the ring.

My best opposite was the bitch #30 Paradym Bet on Black, a bitch I thought complemented my breed winner nicely. She also is compact with the proper outline and correct size. She has a lovely head and expression, correct bite and very large teeth. She, too, was in proper condition without any exaggerations and the proper harsh coat. She moved well and really challenged for the breed on this day, but I thought on the last go-around the male moved with a little more ease than she did.

My selects and award of merit winners, were all of high quality. I thought a couple were not as compact as I would like and a couple others just weren't in the coat you'd expect on a national weekend. Overall, I had a great time as it is always nice judging a quality entry and that is what I had. Again thank you for such an honor.

Judge: Ms. Peggy Beisel-McIlwaine

HOSPITALITY MONTGOMERY WEEKEND – 2015

As the Montgomery weekend approached in late September, there were ominous weather reports, but the thought of rain barely dampened the eager anticipation of all those planning to attend. We did have some rain, and some mud, and some high wind over the five day show weekend, the worst of which was on Saturday causing the Devon show to be cancelled for the second time in ten years. Unfortunate, but since the announcement was made early on Friday evening it made for a much merrier awards dinner on Friday night!

Montgomery is always an incredibly busy time – and this year with the added Morris & Essex show it was even more so. Our club makes every effort to make it as enjoyable and comfortable as possible. As Hospitality Chair, I would like to acknowledge committee members who joined in the effort this year and give so much to make the weekend a success: Amelia Smith, Paula Smith, Ken Sumner, Booth Pohlmann, Donna West, Joan Graham, Jean Kessler, Bambi Holly, Deb Lang, Lisa Sons, Amanda Koroza, Nichola Conroy, Yvonne Vertlieb, Lisa Sons, and Melissa Smith. Special thanks as well to all those who just jumped in to lend a hand!! I would also like to thank the many members who so generously donated funds to the hospitality effort. These events could not happen without the support of our membership.

Thursday evening we held our Membership Mixer at the host hotel followed by the Health Seminar where Dr. Bryden Stanley of the University of Michigan Veterinary School spoke about her research study on Norwich Terrier Upper Airway Syndrome. We will be hearing more about this study in future communication from our club. The NTCA annual awards dinner, held Friday, October 2, at our host hotel, the Hilton Garden Inn, was a fun-filled evening made all the more so since no one had to get up early for the Devon show! Over 100 members and guests enjoyed browsing the silent auction tables, applauding the accomplishment of fellow NTCA members, and participating in a very active and successful live auction. The auctions, the first fundraising efforts in support of Dr. Stanley's NTUAS study, raised over \$5000. Sincere thanks go to our generous members and guests.

Dinner favors were gift bags, consisting of a small towel, spray bottle, and kibble samples donated by Ann Viklund of Purina, and a handmade Norwich Terrier cookie. Custom-made, white porcelain treat jars bearing the image of a moving Norwich served as our centerpieces.

The "New Title Winners 2015" slide show was once again a success and included so many photos that we had to use two songs! Each image was met with enthusiastic cheers, and our little dogs deserved to be applauded for their accomplishments.

Jean Kessler once again set up an extraordinary ringside hospitality table. I'm sure people from other rings found their way over to the Norwich ring just for her apple cake!

This year, we were exceptionally fortunate to benefit from the generosity of two members, Ken Sumner and Booth Pohlmann, who hosted a lovely lunch at the show site. The threat of rain hung over the site in the early hours as Ken and Booth performed their magic transforming a patch of dirt under a tree into a beautiful al fresco luncheon site – it was truly delightful!

Now that we have all rested from the busy weekend, we can start planning for next year . . .

Judy Laffey, Hospitality Chair



NTCA SUPPORTED ENTRY AT TRAVIS COUNTY KENNEL CLUB

Saturday, October 24, 2015

It was a wet weekend in central Texas as our first significant rain in many months moved into town . . . our paws were damp, but our spirits were not dampened for the NTCA Supported Entry at the Travis County Kennel Club. Under Judge Houston Clark, **Best of Breed** was awarded to **GCH Dancy's Rough Rider** (Ch Cobby's Hidden Treasure x GCH Dancy's Storm Warning), bred and owned by Nancy & Dwain Lentz, and presented by Betty Bossio. "Ted" went on that day to a Group 1 win! The **Select Dog** was **Ch Itsy Bitsy Pinball Wizard** (Ch Waiterocks Blockbuster x Ch Itsy Bitsy Good Golly Miss Molly), bred and owned by Tonnie & Gerard Willrich, and shown by Scott Sommer. **Best of Opposite Sex and Best of Winners** went to the lovely **Winners Bitch**, **Carillon's Hallelujah Encore**, bred and owned by Suzanne & James Bell, and shown by Judi Hartell. **Winners Dog and Best of Breed Owner-Handled** was **Thunderwood's Fox in Socks** (GCH Itsy Bitsy Troubadour x Thunderwood's Valkyrie), bred/owned/handled by Kristin Conlan. "Reggie" took Group 1 in the Owner-Handled competition later that afternoon. Beautiful painted ornaments with head studies of Norwich were awarded to the BOB, BOS, and BOW winners.

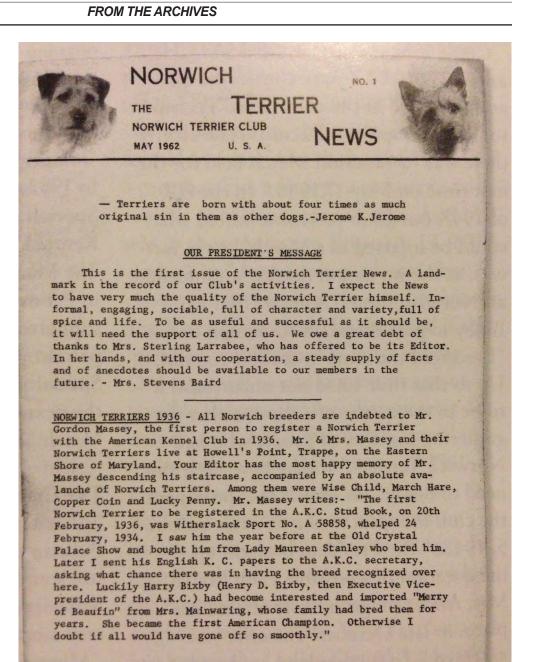
Amanda Kozora Austin, TX *Norwich Terriers USA 1936-1966.* Edited by Constance Stuart Larrabee and Joan Redmond Read, this is a paperback reprint (1986) of the original hardback book of the same title. The book includes many wonderful photos of early Norwich and Norfolk Terriers and breeders, profiles of influential American kennels, and articles on early Specialty and Match shows. It is the definitive history of Norwich and Norfolk Terriers in America during the 30 years after official AKC recognition of the breed(s). Price: \$20 postpaid to USA addresses; \$25 to non-USA addresses. Please send a check, payable to NTCA, to Alison Freehling, 1208 Washington Ave., Fredericksburg, VA 22401.

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Illustrated Guide to the Standard of Norwich Terriers. Copies of the new Illustrated Standard are available for \$10, plus \$2.50 postage, from NTCA Notions at http://norwichterrierclub.org/category/ntca-store or by contacting Notions Chair Patty Warrender at pwnoridge@gmail.com.

Your editors are happy to share the cover from Issue 1 of the Norwich Terrier News, published in May 1962. Then, as now, we are hope to provide a publication that is "Informal, engaging, sociable, full of character and variety, full of spice and life".



Wheatley Wentzell, *Norwich News Editor* 51 Main Street South Glastonbury, CT 06073



"Winter . . . what to do . . . stare out the window and wait for spring"





"No winter lasts forever, no spring skips its turn."

- Hal Borland

We will be on the lookout for you all in spring 2016!

"You can run but you can't hide"