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Best in Show/Group First Montgomery County Kennel Club 2016, BIS BISS GCH Taliesin Twice as Nice

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Errors & Corrections

The Spring/Summer 2016 issue was mistakenly numbered as 16 on the cover. It was Number 15. Your editors sincerely regret the error.

From the Editors...

Happy New Year from the *News* staff! We hope that 2017 finds you and your Norwich healthy and happy. This is now the third issue that we have put together and we are starting to get the hang of it. As you have noticed, we have adjusted the printing schedule so you will receive winter and summer issues going forward. We felt this was the most efficient way to capture the goings-on in the world of Norwich Terriers. This issue features coverage of a very exciting and well-attended MCKC week, in both the conformation and performance venues. We are also featuring a “History Matters” interview with Margaretta “Missy” Wood (Terrapin), this year’s MCKC Sweeps judge.

As a reminder, NTCA members can support the *News* by placing an advertisement or announcing a new titleholder ... see the details on page 3. We also ask that you consider a gift

subscription to the *News* for your non-member Norwich friends and puppy buyers. Back issues of the *News* are available for \$5 to NTCA member-breeders to send to new puppy buyers, please contact us to take advantage of this offer.

As always, we welcome any feedback you have and are always looking for help in producing content for the *News*. Have a wonderful winter and spring, we will see you next in the dog days of summer!

Sincerely,

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AKC Delegate’s Report – September 2016 – Betty McDonnell

Since my last report, I have attended the June and September Delegates’ Meetings held in Newark, NJ. Delegates voted mainly on “housekeeping” issues, none of which have much impact on Norwich Terriers.

The September meeting is traditionally the time that Delegate Standing Committees are elected for three year terms. Candidates are self-nominated and short biographies are offered with records of committee attendance a factor.

On most meeting days, a pre-meeting forum is offered. In September, Dr. Jerold Bell discussed relevant issues for breeders and breed clubs in maintaining genetically diverse, healthy, and sustainable breed populations. His talk was very informative and he offered to give permission to clubs to reprint an article that he wrote for a delegate publication.

At the June meeting, Board Chairman Ron Menaker spoke on how the AKC has responded to the need to be visible on the Internet. The public’s embrace of technology makes it a necessity of the 21st Century. Digital growth is the lifeblood of many organizations and AKC has risen to the challenge. Traffic on the AKC website has increased 65% over last year. Educational content attracts a large audience of dog enthusiasts. It is the goal of the AKC to focus public attention on the Purpose Bred Dog. AKC uses e-newsletter, Your AKC, to direct attention to the website and AKC Marketplace. Digital enhancements to the Marketplace spurred a 45% increase in revenue over last year. New products and services, as well as exceptional customer service, have led to this success. Media coverage of AKC events has increased on TV and newspapers. One of the main goals has been to combat some

of the negative messaging that our breeders are facing from the Animal Rights groups. Public Service Announcements are being created that AKC clubs can utilize to publicize events.

The AKC Treasurer reported that revenues are up. Litter registrations are up, as well as individual registrations, reversing the steady downward direction of registrations of over two decades. Additional revenues increased through pedigree sales, royalty income, as well as marketplace revenue and investment performance. AKC expenses have also increased including payroll, marketing and development, advertising, and communications.

Even with registrations rising, entries in our shows and companion events are on a downward slide. Effort to increase entries, such as the addition of Grand Championships, owner-handler classes, and 4-to-6-month puppy classes have helped but not turned the tide. Entries in all performance and companion events are down even with additional class offerings.

The website launched to great fanfare last year was generally criticized for incorrect “factual” information and general workability. As your delegate, I offered to work with the webmaster to correct critical errors on the Norwich section. But in general, breeders expressed disapproval of the design. Now the AKC Board has approved a relaunch of the website. The project will take about 12 months and it will be costly.

This will be my last delegate report. I have been representing NTCA since our split with the Norfolk Club. I consider it an honor to have represented you. I wish your new Delegate Jean Kessler the very best.

NTUAS UPDATE



The NTUAS committee is proud to announce the successful culmination of our formal fundraising campaign. The year has been a busy, yet rewarding one, as we worked month by month putting to task

the various outreaches and witnessing the generosity and commitment of our Norwich community and beyond.

We have designed a campaign timeline with the facts, figures and highlights of 2016. We hope it will be a welcome demonstration of our creative strategies, the community’s efforts, and a celebration of success in surpassing our goal and raising a total of \$59,315. The timeline is viewable on our website:

<http://www.norwichterrierclub.org/ntuasfund/>

Yet, despite this illustration of our year, these words and photos cannot truly portray our thanks and gratitude to all of the many people who made this possible. Our collective commitment to raising these funds to complete the study will not only pay

for Dr. Stanley’s work at hand, but it will hopefully change the course of the health for our Norwich.

It has been truly been an honor to lead this effort and to collaborate with my incredible committee members, Nicky Conroy, Amanda Kozora, and Judy Laffey – who gave of their time, insight and skills, and worked unconditionally every week since our first brainstorming meeting.

Thank you and hoping for all the best in health for our little dogs,

Paula Smith
Chair – Ways and Means Committee



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Norwich Terrier Upper Airway Syndrome (NTUAS) Health Study

The list includes donations made from October 2015 through December 2016.

We apologize for any omissions. If you donated and your name is not listed, please contact Barbara Einspruch, Treasurer, so that we can update the list.

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There's Just Too Much Stress Here

2017 SHOW CALENDAR
NTCA AND REGIONAL NORWICH TERRIER CLUBS

March 25 NTCA Supported Entry – Lone Star Norwich Terrier Club, Fort Worth, TX (SE Coordinator Rhonda Krupp). Breed Judge: Sue Goldberg

April 13 LSNTC Supported Entry & Sweepstakes – Northern California Terrier Association, Sacramento Expo Center, Sacramento, CA (SE Coordinator Andrew Chen). Breed Judge Linda L. Wells; Sweepstakes Judge: TBD

April 14 NTCNC Regional Specialty & Sweepstakes – Northern California Terrier Association, Sacramento Expo Center, Sacramento, CA (SE Coordinator Andrew Chen). Breed Judge: Dr. Jerry Klein; Sweepstakes Judge: Ms. Nancy Arnold; Veteran Sweepstakes: Ms. Sharon Curry

April 15 NTCA Supported Entry & Sweepstakes – Sacramento Kennel Club, Sacramento Expo Center, Sacramento, CA (SE Coordinator Andrew Chen). Breed Judge: Ken J. Murray; Sweepstakes Judge: Ms. Laurie Loeffler

April 21 NTCA Supported Entry & Sweepstakes – Columbia Terrier Association of Maryland. Maryland State Fairgrounds, Timonium, MD (SE Coordinator Al Ferruggiario) Breed Judge: Peggy Haas; Sweepstakes Judge: Linda Reece

May 5 NTCA Supported Entry & Sweepstakes – Garden State All Terrier Club, Inc., Mercer County Park West Windsor Twp., NJ (SE Coordinator Lee Little). Breed Judge: Kathi Brown; Sweepstakes Judge: Nancy Nosiglia (Beric Downs Norwich)

May 20 NTCA Supported Entry & Sweepstakes – Mattaponi Kennel Club. Prince William County Fairgrounds, Manassas, VA (SE Coordinator Jean Kessler). Breed Judge: TBD; Sweepstakes Judge: TBD

June 17 NTCGC Specialty & Sweepstakes – Great Lakes All Terrier Association, Lake County Fairgrounds, Grayslake, IL. (Show Chair Lorrie Kinney). Breed Judge: TBD; Sweepstakes Judge: Judy Laffey

June 18 NTCGC Supported Entry – Little Fort Kennel Club, Show Lake County Fairgrounds, Grayslake, IL (Show Coordinator Lorrie Kinney). Breed Judge: TBD

June 24 NTCA Supported Entry – Great Western Terrier Association, Santa Fe Dam, Irwindale, CA (SE Coordinator Pam Seifert). Breed Judge: TBD

June 25 NTCA Supported Entry & Sweepstakes – Great Western Terrier Association, Santa Fe Dam, Irwindale, CA (SE Coordinator Pam Seifert). Breed Judge: TBD; Sweepstakes Judge: TBD

July 6 LSNTC Specialty & Sweepstakes – Dallas Market Hall, Dallas, TX (Show Chair Rhonda Krupp). Breed Judge: Robert Shreve; Sweepstakes Judge: Margo Klinger

July 7 NTCA Supported Entry – All Terrier Club Of Western Washington, Washington State Fair Events Center, 110 9th Ave. SW, Puyallup, WA (SE Coordinator - Lynne Davis). Breed Judge: Phillip K. Freilich

Oct 5 NTCA Designated Specialty – Hatboro Dog Club. Location TBD (Show Coordinator Jim Kinney). Breed Judge: TBD

Oct 6 NTCA Designated Specialty – Hatboro Dog Club, Location TBD (Show Coordinator Jim Kinney). Breed Judge: TBD

Oct 7 NTCA Designated Specialty – Devon Dog Show Assoc. Devon Horse Show Grounds, Ludwig Corners, PA (Show Coordinator Jim Kinney). Breed Judge: TBD

Oct 8 NTCA National Specialty & Sweepstakes – Montgomery County Kennel Club, Blue Bell, PA (Show Chair Jim Kinney). Breed Judge: Beth Sweigart; Sweepstakes Judge: Magda Chiarella

Dec 7 NTCA Supported Entry – North Texas Terrier Club, Dallas Market Hall, Dallas, TX (Show Chair Rhonda Krupp) Breed Judge: TBD



Columbia Terrier Association of Maryland, Inc.

22nd Terrier Group Show

Friday, April 21, 2017

Exhibition Hall
Maryland State Fairgrounds
200 York Road, Rt. 45
Timonium Maryland

All judging will be indoors

Norwich Terrier Club of America Supported Entry with Puppy Sweepstakes

AKC National Owner-Handled Series

Best Puppy in Show

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Regular classes judge: Peggy Haas

Group judge: Patty Keenan

Superintendent: MB-F

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MARCH, 25, 2017

(ENTRIES CLOSE March 8, 2017- ONOFRIO)

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NTCA Supported Entry and Sweeps (Including Veteran Sweeps)

Garden State All Terrier Club
Friday, May 5, 2017

Sweeps Judge: Nancy Nosiglia, Beric Downs Norwich

Regular Classes: Kathi Brown

Group Judge: Connie Clark

Puppy Group: Michael Pawasarat

Owner-Handled Group: Kathi Brown

Location:

Mercer County Park
1678 Old Trenton Road
West Windsor, NJ 08550

The Garden State All Terrier Club's group show is the first of a four-show weekend (followed by the Bucks County and Trenton KC shows). Majors are guaranteed all 4 days. In 2017 the GSATC is also offering Best Puppy and Owner-Handled competition.

Jim Rau Superintendent (www.raudogshows.com)

NTCA AND NORFOLK TERRIER CLUB COMBINED NATIONAL SPECIALTY APRIL 30 - MAY 7, 2018 IN GRAY SUMMIT, MO

Mark your calendars! The NTCA and the Norfolk Terrier Club (NTC) will be co-hosting a Combined National Specialty, a fantastic week of events for us and our dogs, at Purina Farms (Gray Summit, MO), from April 30-May 7, 2018.

In conjunction with the Gateway Cluster, there will be a NTCA Supported Entry on Friday, the NTCA 2018 National Specialty on Saturday, and a Norwich Terrier Club of Greater Chicago specialty show on Sunday. The breed judge for the National Specialty is Mr. Edd E. Bivin, the sweepstakes judge will be Georgia Crompton (Long Valley).

There will be performance events throughout the week – plus intro sessions for those events: agility, earthdog, lure coursing, and barn hunt. On the social side, there will be many combined get-togethers: a potluck dinner, luncheon, banquet, and other fun events. A health clinic will also be hosted.

On-site RV rental will be available, as well as rooms at a nearby host hotel.

Key organizers of the week include: Jim Kinney (NTCA Show Chair), Denise Faulkner (Combined Event Performance Coordinator), April Clark (NTCA Performance Chair), Judi Hartell (NTCA & NTC, organizing a combined calendar of events), Sandra Stemmler and Larry Adams, and the presidents of both clubs (Nancy Wise and Jane Schubart).

As the event approaches, we will need more help and volunteers from our Club to make this week a special and memorable one. In the coming months, please keep an eye on the NTCA website and the *News* for a full calendar and details.

– Amanda Kozora



We are now accepting ads from NTCA members. Color, black & white, half- and full-page options are available. For more details, check out the submission guidelines at the beginning of this issue.

BEHIND THE SCENE OF RESCUE & REHOME

by Deborah Bailey, Chair, Rescue & Rehoming Committee



Deborah Bailey, Chair

I became the NTCA rescue chair of spring/summer 2016. I am married to my wonderful husband, Don, and I have two adult children and one grandchild. When I retired as a Registered Nurse, I began a lifelong dream I had to exhibit in conformation. I had raised multiple breeds since the 70's, so my challenge was to decide on a breed to show. I chose our precious Norwich Terrier! I guess looking back now, I chose one of the hardest breeds due to stripping/grooming as a newbie to the show world in 2006. I exhibit as a breeder/owner/handler, and I have finished 10 champion titles and four grand champion titles.



"Abby" the 12-year-old Norwich, who found a new home and a happy ending through the NTCA Rescue & Rehoming Committee

I was asked to chair the NTCA Rescue & Rehoming Committee when the position was vacant. I did not hesitate to take on the task. My only concern was that my Norwich are in the home with me, I am

not a kennel and do not have a facility for intake. With all the wonderful people in our Club, and with the Norwich social media assisting, we have placed in loving homes: two 11-year-old males, a four-year-old female, and a

12-year-old female. All were placed in permanent homes without any member of our club having to foster!

Our goal for NTCA is to find loving homes for our purebred Norwich in need of being rehomed, without any judgment on the past owner's circumstances. The placement of our elders does require many hours of work, although the outcome has truly been rewarding.

Thanks again for all members who have helped in making our rescue a success!

If you are interested in adding your name to the Rescue & Rehoming Committee, please contact Deborah at deb.baileyfarms@gmail.com.



DICKENS & MARLEY
These two brothers were able to stay together in their new home

FRAN WESTFALL



Fran Westfall

On August 8, 2016 the Norwich Terrier Club of America lost a very special member, Fran Westfall of the Sho-Me Kennel. Fran was the recipient of the 2012 NTCA Sportsmanship Award. She was the type of person this award was created to recognize, always ready to help, encourage, and cheer for everyone. She seemed to find something

Whatcha Got, in addition to GCH Sho-Me Mischief. Fran was there to share in our excitement and cheer us on. She became an important and honorary member of our team.

There were many other relationships developed between Norwich Terrier folks and Sho-Me Kennels before we came on the scene. We had the privilege of traveling to many shows with Fran, and hearing the history of important players in our breed from her perspective. Above that, her history of a life well-lived and her example of how to live, endeared us to her even more. It has been our honor to participate in a small way with the Sho-Me legacy. Fran invested in the future of the breed through her support as a breeder, mentor, and friend to everything Norwich.

To many in our breed, Fran will be remembered as the owner of her beloved Willie Ru, CH Kristil's Ambassador to Ketka. But, to many more, she will be remembered as a dear friend.

We are privileged to look into our Norwich faces each day and remember the gifts and the love we have received. Fran's legacy will live on through the dogs at Fishback Kennel, her influence in our lives will make us better people.

Fran touched the lives of many of us. We, along with several friends, have sponsored the Fran Westfall (Sho-Me) Memorial Loving Cup to be given to the Best Bred By Exhibitor in Breed at the NTCA National Specialty. It has been our privilege to honor our friend.

– April Clark with Amy Grace Clark and Susan Miller Hall
Fishback Kennels

Amy Grace & Chief's State Fair debut
7th in Agility, 2nd in Showmanship

Mischief. Fran and Amy Grace developed a special bond.

Amber stayed on at Fishback to produce three more litters, all co-bred and co-owned by Susan Miller Hall of Fishback and Fran Westfall of Sho-Me. There were three more Champions from those litters – CH Fishback Sho-Me Sum Scrumpy Cider, CH Fishback Sho-Me Good Boy Friday, CH Fishback Sho-Me

CH Littlefield Razzle Dazzle “Razzi”

(Ch. Sandina Sabotage X Ch. Littlefield Lovenote for Becky)

July 23, 1999 - March 24, 2016

Razzi and her two brothers made their appearance on one of the hottest days of the year, exactly on their dam's birthday. They were the perfect present! All were healthy, full-term babies. Razzi weighed a hefty 8 ounces! And so her early “promise” proved to be. She was my bouncing, baby girl who developed into a lovely debutante with perfect bite, beautiful face, sweet disposition, and great angulation.



In quicktime, our snazzy Razzi finished with two five-point majors, a three-point major and two two-point wins, all from the Bred-By class. In May 2001, she was BOW/BOS at the Bucks County KC

show. The second 5-point major was earned at the 2001 Columbia Terrier Association show. Right after that, on her first time out as a special, she went BOS under Mrs. Jane Forsyth at the Mattaponi KC show. She was my first champion from the Bred-By-Exhibitor class!

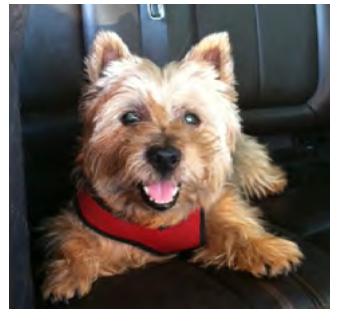
Her next frontier, the whelping box, proved equally successful. She produced two litters of two, all champions with distinguished records: Ch. Littlefield Keri on Regardless ROM (finished BOW/BOS/BBBE-IKC of Chicago '04); Ch. Littlefield Graham Cracker (WD/Devon '03); Ch. Littlefield Halle Beary at Saxony (BOS Montgomery Co. KC '06); and Ch. Littlefield Razz's Matazz at Dignpop (WB Ladies Dog Club '06, Nat'l Specialty). Keri, Halle and Tazzi all went on to produce outstanding progeny as well. Many reading this will find dear Razzi on their pedigrees both here and in Europe (through her grandson, Int'l Ch. Littlefield Saxony Montgomery Dream). This is her legacy.

She was a benign granny for the most part to all babies born at Littlefield. But woe, betide the upstart who tried to nose between Razzi and her dinner plate! She taught many a puppy a lesson best learned at home. Generally though, tolerance was her MO or even better ... once she even started lactating and nursed a litter not her own, a surprise for me! At almost three

weeks, on the cusp of being weaned, the hungry horde began to be too demanding for their dam. When Razzi stepped up to the plate, Keri was only too happy to close her own milk bar; as if to say, “Ma, you want ‘em; you can have ‘em. Those four need to be eating solid food. I'm done, done, done.”

Razzi led a blessed, long life sharing our travels and our love. I wanted her to live forever. But I am happy that in a way she achieved that, not only through her descendants, but also through developments in modern communications technology.

On March 4, AKC Social Media and Community Lead Executive Lindsay Cosner paid a visit and produced a “live stream” video of a new litter out of Ch. Littlefield Tesoro Prezioso THDN, CGC (owned by Dr. Denis Johnson). Tess' puppies, born 2/5/16 are Razzi's great-great-great grandpuppies. In the video, she can be seen in a cameo role, sitting just outside the puppies' domain, no doubt waiting for them to be let loose to mountaineer her flanks, secure in her good grace. At this writing there have been over 222,000 views of this video! (Go to the AKC's Facebook page to view.)



Just three weeks later, her life came to a gentle close. Razzi died at home in my arms. She would have been 17 years old in just a few months. She still had a perfect bite and every tooth in her head, except for two premolars removed on March 1. Razzi never had a bad day. She was always a happy camper. She never missed a meal. Even the night before she died, she dove into her dinner and came up smiling. I so miss that girl. Rest in peace, my sweet Razzi.

Lee Little
Littlefield Norwich



CH Sho-Me Ketka's The Macallan "Mac"

August 16, 2004 – January 14, 2017



It was September 2004 and Lorrie and I were searching for a Norwich to replace our Corey who had passed away the year before. We called Joan Kefeli from whom we acquired Corey in 1990. She had nothing available, but recommended that we contact Fran Westfall. And we did just

that. Fran had puppies and invited us to come out. Not a quick trip as we are about 300 miles from her Tecumseh, Michigan home. Regardless, we made the trip.

Arriving at Fran's, we were welcomed into her home. As we walked in, we passed by a dropout pen with a couple of young Norwich. One little guy barked at us as if saying "Hey, look at me." We were told that these were Willie Ru babies and not available. So we continued looking at other litters and at the other puppies that were available. We found some to be rather young and wanted to wait until they got a bit older to make a choice. So on our first trip, we went home empty-handed. We came back again to take another look a couple of weeks later. Again, when we passed by a dropout pen the same little guy again barked at us as if saying "Hey, look at me." Again, we went home empty-handed, but planned to come back in a couple of weeks.

On our third trip to Fran's, we again went over the puppies that were available and ruled all of them out. So Jim asked the BIG

question ... What about the little guy in the dropout pen who always barked at us as if saying "Hey, look at me?" After a bit of convincing, Fran brought him out and agreed if we wanted to take him home, we could. So after three trips to Fran's and some 1,800 miles of driving, we had Mac!

Mac was Jim's little buddy from day one. Everywhere Jim went, he followed! He had the consummate Norwich personality. Always curious and always doing things on HIS agenda. He owned the house! He finished in Detroit with his third major. Although he didn't make it as a special, he was always special to us. He slept next to us for his whole life. Every day he was with Jim in the office in his little bed next to him. Mac loved the window seat in the office. There he could sleep in the sun or bark at the neighbors as they walked by. He always wanted to be noticed and when he wanted something, he talked to us! He was not shy about his needs and WANTS!

Mac was always the healthy one in our home. His annual visits to the vet usually had the vet commenting that they forgot about Mac because they never see him, because he never has any issues. When he became sick in August 2016, it was a big surprise. Oddly enough, he became sick just a few days after Fran Westfall, his breeder, passed away. We took him to both of our vets, locally and in Lomira, Wisconsin for tests and learned that we could not overcome his illness. We could treat the symptoms, but not the disease. He did fine on the medication for four months, but after January 1, 2017, he went downhill quickly. He passed quietly two weeks after, giving us his loving kisses.

Mac will be missed. There is a hole in our hearts for him. The bed is empty and the house is quiet without him. We had twelve and a half wonderful years with him, and we loved him every minute of it.

-Jim and Lorrie Kinney

Norwich "History Matters" Biography
Terrapin Breeder/Owner Margaretta ("Missy") Wood

I was born into a world of dog breeders and had my pick of wonderful dogs to live with. And yet, whenever I could, I would make a beeline to visit my aunt Grace Jeanes, who had the most fun-loving animals called Jones Terriers nipping at her heels. I would spend hours and hours with these playful creatures and my adoration paid off when Aunt Grace gave me a registered Norwich in 1966 as a graduation present. His name was River Bend Alec, bred by Sylvia Warren. Alec was wonderful and could have finished easily, but back then I was just a wild child, sowing my oats. Wasting a weekend at a dog show was beyond the realm of possibility. He was simply my sidekick and together we traveled through the Age of Aquarius.

When Alec was getting snowy in the muzzle, the time seemed right to give him a buddy. I acquired Shawnee's Wicket Keep, aka "Griffie", from Annette Griffiths. Annette asked me if I would show him so I grudgingly obliged. He became a champion, my first.



History Matters – River Bend Alec with new buddy Shawnee's Wicket Keep in 1976

I was fortunate to have my mother, a breeder of Sealyham Terriers for some 60 years, to show me the ropes. But, within the breed itself I would have to say Constance Larrabee was my mentor. She taught me about grooming, conditioning, handling. Dog shows were a lark for Constance and I took it to heart when she would say, "Now Margaretta, don't take things too seriously. We're just here to have fun". She was the groomer guru from whom I learned. Her advice is my advice - plan ahead, and pick, pick, pick; brush, brush, brush.

Who taught you to evaluate your litters? What insight helped you know what to look for in your puppies?

This may sound arrogant, but I have never asked anyone for their opinion about my pups. By the time they are six weeks old I know, right or wrong, what I want to keep for myself. Without balance, soundness and attitude, all other qualities are meaningless.

What is your favorite dog show? Why?

As a longtime member of Montgomery County it may surprise one to learn my favorite dog show is Bucks County. Our specialties were held there, on and off, from the early 70's to the early 90's and memories are still strong. Lots of ghosts in those fields at Erwinna.

What was your most memorable NNTC/NTCA Specialty?

The (original) Norwich Terrier Club specialty, Bucks County, 1975, a first for me in so many ways. I didn't have a clue, but everyone was so nice to me. And I got to sample for the first time those tiny little finger sandwiches shaped like Norwich and Norfolk!!

What event in your history with the breed was the most significant?

That would have to be 1979, when one breed separated into two. It had to happen, although sooner might have been better, particularly for the Norfolk who needed their own identity. Still, I miss terribly the old club when we were two breeds.

Which Norwich, not owned or bred by you, do you consider a favorite or most influential? Which one do you think had the most influence on the breed?

Norwich “History Matters” Biography

Terrapin Breeder/Owner Margaretta (“Missy”) Wood *continued*

I had the distinct privilege of adopting CH. Thrumptons Lord Timberson when he was about 8 years old. He lived with me as a house pet until his death at 17 years of age. In his heyday, “Clyde” was the most influential sire in America. No small coincidence, that record would be broken by his great-grandson, CH. Royal Rock Don of Chidley whose breed impact in the modern era is legend.

Of all the Norwich that you have owned or bred, which was your favorite? Which one had the most impact on your breeding program? Why?

Whenever someone asked Frank Sinatra what his favorite song was he always replied, “The last song I heard.” I’ll just leave it at that.

Have you been active in any of the regional clubs? Which ones?

I am an associate member of the Northern California Norwich Terrier Club from the time it was called The Middle Kingdom Alliance of Norwich and Norfolk. Distance prevents me from being active, but I love the club and its members.

What is the most important thing a newcomer to this breed should know?

Norwich are free-spirited, sporting dogs and should be treated as such. Pack dogs, never kennel dogs.

What has been your greatest concern for the breed?

Without question, C-sections are more than just worrisome. I’m also concerned about the number of males who cannot (or are not allowed to) breed naturally. If we have males that are unable to mount a bitch, and bitches who cannot produce on their own, we might as well just pack up shop. We should focus on working with Nature, rather than trying to circumvent it.

What changes have you seen in the breed over the years, both positive and negative? What can be done to assure the future wellbeing of the breed?

I don’t see many true reds anymore with their smoky muzzles and black tipped ears. True reds indirectly affect our black-backed Norwich as well. Those once ebony jackets are now charcoal or even mottled. Temperament gets an A+. Other changes are best left for an open forum which I strongly encourage.

What advice can you impart to present and future Norwich enthusiasts?

People who own Norwich should instinctively be enthusiasts and share the same personality of the breed. People who breed Norwich should realize not everything they breed is gold-plated. Keep what you want for yourself and let the others go to loving homes with no strings attached. It is not worth losing a friend or one’s reputation over a puppy-back “deal”.

What would you consider your legacy to the breed? How would you like to be remembered by fanciers of the future?

If there were to be a legacy it would probably be my writing and photography. I’d like to be remembered as someone who made other people laugh.



History Matters – Missy with a few playful creatures, circa 1953

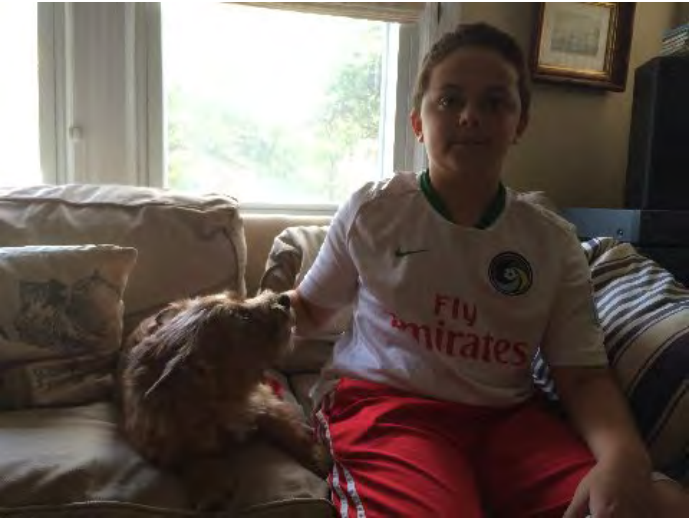
NORWICH AMBASSADOR AWARD RECIPIENT 2016

The Norwich Ambassador Award has been established to recognize the contribution of the Norwich terrier to society and to our 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 their breed and of their species to the public.

This year’s wonderful Norwich Ambassador Award recipient team is Denis Johnson and Tess - Ch. Littlefield Tesoro Prezioso CGC THDN. Denis and Tess have been a team since 2013. Tess received her CGC title in 2014 and her Therapy Dog and AKC Champion titles in 2015.

As a therapy dog, Tess has worked in a number of situations demonstrating her versatility and willing, loving temperament. Her many accomplishments include working with senior citizens while visiting several nursing homes, interacting with the clients of the North Essex Child Guidance Clinic, which serves special needs children such as emotionally disturbed children, going to the Maywood library as a reading dog, and visiting local schools to help children improve their reading skills. Possibly Denis and Tess’s most enduring accomplishment occurred close to home: Denis and Tess worked closely with a young neighbor to help him overcome his fear of dogs. The mother of the young man recounted this anecdote:

“Zach has come such a long way. I wouldn’t say he’s cured of his fear entirely, but he is so much more confident than he was a year ago. At the beginning of this past summer, Zach did something he hadn’t done since the previous summer. He went to his friend Patrick’s house. Patrick’s family had gotten a Vizsla puppy, and Zach’s anxiety became so overwhelming, he wasn’t able to be in their home...this in spite of every effort on their part to help Zach feel comfortable around the dog.



Zach and Tess

But now Zach can hang out around the dog and feel ok. The fact that there is a dog in the house no longer bothers him to the point that he feels he can’t be there. Zach also started walking around town with his friends, enjoying the freedom to go places on his own ... a freedom other kids his age have been enjoying for a while. This is all due in large part to his experiences with Tess. She is a great dog and she helped him in ways I never would have guessed. I’m so glad that we had the opportunity to work with Tess.”

Tess is truly an ambassador for the breed, having brought so much joy and love to so many, and as she continues her work all who meet her are impressed with the beauty and temperament of our wonderful breed.

Thank you to Leandra Little and Joan Graham for contributing to this article.

ATYPICAL SEIZURE DISORDER IN THE NORWICH TERRIER

by Magda Chiarella • Dignpop Norwich Terriers • New Providence, NJ

Breeders of Norwich Terriers have been long aware of a seizure disorder in the breed. Some feverishly insist on calling it epilepsy, while others cling to the word “cramp”. The first published mention of the condition in the veterinary literature was in 1984 in a letter by R.M. Furber published in the Veterinary Record (UK), entitled “Cramp in Norwich Terriers”. The name “cramp” bore close resemblance to a disorder found in Scottish Terriers.

In referring to the Norwich seizure disorder as either “epilepsy” or “Norwich cramp” breeders have been expressing their opinion not so much about the pathology but about the inheritability of the disorder. The “cramp camp” has been implying an environmentally triggered disease, not necessarily inherited, speculated to be metabolic in nature and addressed by diet alongside Vitamin E and Selenium regimen. The “epilepsy camp” has been pouring over pedigrees of seizure prone dogs, mapping clear genetic ties between affected Norwich Terriers and focusing on the apparent genetic component. A nomenclature war has been raging, to the point that some breeders have refused to participate in recent research into the condition in the UK, because the words used to describe the proposed study did not say “epilepsy”. It is a real pity, because science has a way of revealing the truth.

As for the words to use, we might need to learn some new ones. The first scientific paper on Norwich seizure disorder, penned as the result of the aforementioned recent study in England calls it Paroxysmal Dyskinesia. I will add my own preference here to call it Atypical Seizure Disorder, a name used interchangeably with Paroxysmal Dyskinesia when describing the disorder in other breeds.

What do we know thus far?

1. The Norwich seizure disorder is not the Scotty cramp

What Norwich Terriers suffer from is not a Norwich version of the “Scotty cramp.” The condition affecting Scottish Terriers is a hereditary neurotransmitter defect: a problem in serotonin metabolism causing its deficiency. The fact that both Scotties and Norwiches remain conscious through an episode is the only similarity. The Scotty disorder, which has a recessive mode of inheritance, can be verified in a diagnostic test.

Pharmacological experiments found decreased levels of serotonin in the central nervous system in affected Scottish Terriers following an episode. When amphetamine or parachlorophenylalanine was administered, the severity of the clinical signs increased. Also, a serotonin receptor blocker methysergide increased the clinical signs in a dose-dependent manner and has been used as a test to diagnose the condition. It is a reliable test, even though the method of using a drug to increase severity of symptoms in order to diagnose the condition is controversial.

2. We have no genetic breakthroughs so far

Shortly after the separation of the Norwich and Norfolk Terrier Club into two separate breed clubs in 2009, the new Norwich Terrier Club of America (NTCA) focused on addressing the seizure disorder in the breed. We teamed up with Dr. Gary Johnson’s lab at University of Missouri collecting samples of affected dogs for their Canine Epilepsy Network (CEN). In spite of several announcements of incremental breakthroughs in mapping epilepsy in other breeds, the Norwich Terrier genome did not yield progress in mapping epilepsy.

Then, the American Kennel Club Canine Health Foundation (CHF) announced a major research project of canine epilepsy co-funded with a number of European institutions and with a very large government funding from European Union. We threw our wholehearted support behind the project, led by Dr. Hannes Lohi at the University of Helsinki in Finland. The NTCA donated generously to the study. We arranged for a collection of Norwich Terrier samples and for sample-sharing between CEN and the European project. Dr. Lohi’s team worked with DNA samples from several breeds alongside those from the Norwich Terrier: Lagotto Romagnolo, Australian Shepherd, Vizsla, and Finnish Spitz, among others, and they found mutation LGI2 responsible for canine epilepsy in Lagotto Romagnolo dogs. So far no correlation has been found in genetic studies comparing any of the suspect regions in other breeds of dogs suffering from epilepsy with the Norwich Terrier genome.

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3. A diagnosis of idiopathic epilepsy is a catchall description, not a positive diagnosis

Many Norwich terriers suffering from seizure episodes have been diagnosed by veterinarians and veterinary neurologists as having “idiopathic epilepsy”. Idiopathic means there is no underlying cause, while “epilepsy” is a general term for neurological disorders that are characterized by recurrent seizures.

A diagnosis of idiopathic epilepsy does not answer the question of the causes of the disease, nor its pathology. When we say that the Scotty cramp is not a form of epilepsy we are referring to the fact that Scotty cramp has been proven to be a metabolic defect of serotonin. What we know so far is that Norwich seizures are completely distinct from the “Scotty cramp”, and so the use of the word “cramp” to describe the Norwich seizure condition is fallacious. However, DNA analysis has not yet identified a gene or complex of genes associated with seizures in the Norwich Terrier. Thus, when a Norwich is diagnosed with idiopathic epilepsy, it means that the precise nature of the disorder has not been well described and classified in the veterinary literature, and therefore the dog is diagnosed as having a recurrent seizure disorder (epilepsy) of unknown causes (idiopathic).

New findings

1. British study on Paroxysmal Dyskinesia

The first scientific paper on the seizure condition affecting Norwich Terriers was a result of data compilation based on owners’ questionnaires and other records submitted by the owners of affected Norwich Terriers. The owners of Norwich terriers born since January 1, 2000 were invited to complete a questionnaire aimed at identifying affected and unaffected dogs and investigating the clinical characteristics of their seizures. Additionally, pedigrees were studied.

To quote the study results:

‘The questionnaire was returned for 198 Norwich terrier dogs. Of these, 26 (13%) were classified as affected by paroxysmal dyskinesia after revision of the questionnaires and after obtaining videos of the episodes, veterinary medical records, and telephone interviews with the owners. All dogs were neurologically normal between episodes. No significant abnormalities were detected on diagnostic investiga-

tions. Mean age at the first episode was 3 years. The episodes were characterized by sustained muscular hypertonicity in the pelvic limbs, lumbar region, and thoracic limbs, impairing posture and locomotion without loss of consciousness. Episode frequency varied both between and within individuals. Stress, anxiety, excitement, and variation in daily routine were recognized as episode triggers in 13 dogs. Episode duration generally was from 2 to 5 minutes (range, from < 2 to 30 minutes). The majority of affected dogs were related.

Conclusions: Paroxysmal dyskinesia segregates in an extended pedigree of Norwich terrier dogs and thus is potentially an inherited disorder in this breed.”

For the first time ever, this recently published study by Dr. Luisa De Risio and her co-investigators offers us a classification of the disorder by calling it Paroxysmal Dyskinesia and confirms a genetic component suspicion.

2. Labrador study at University of Minnesota

A study at Canine Genetics Lab at University of Minnesota might be helpful to us in understanding what Paroxysmal Dyskinesia is. After 20 years of compiling medical records for Labrador Retrievers and Retriever/ Poodle crosses diagnosed with idiopathic epilepsy, the researchers have recognized that a significant proportion of Labrador retrievers present with atypical events where the dogs remain conscious and the seizure is focal movement rather than convulsions. They labelled them Paroxysmal Dyskinesia or Atypical Seizure Disorder.

“Some Labradors with these atypical seizures simply stagger and look dazed or confused for a few seconds or minutes and then recover, without ever falling over. Others have a 2 to 5 minute episode (occasionally longer) where they appear anxious and are unable to stand erect and walk but they will attempt to crawl to their desired location. Some dogs will experience either uncontrollable trembling or increased muscle tone during an episode and a few simply develop a head tremor or trembling while they remain abnormally quiet and recumbent. Affected dogs maintain consciousness and appear to be visual, able to recognize their owners [...] Affected dogs are normal between these episodes which occur suddenly, without warning. Systemic evaluation for metabolic, neoplastic and infectious causes of seizures is negative and repeated

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toxin exposure is unlikely. Related dogs may be similarly affected.”²

Where it gets really interesting is the data on the efficacy of various treatment protocols and the progression of the disease over time. Those two factors favor the nomenclature of Atypical Seizure Disorder.

“In support of this Labrador disorder being a seizure disorder, we have determined that many affected dogs will have a dramatic decrease in their episode frequency when treated with chronic oral anticonvulsant therapy and some affected dogs also develop more classical generalized tonic-clonic seizures later in life.”²

3. *Reports on successful treatment protocols and seizure presentation in a voluntary data submission by owners of affected Norwich Terriers in America*

After publication of the British paper, which was based on owner reports, I embarked on a similar, much smaller scale project of my own. I asked owners of affected Norwich Terriers in America to voluntarily submit a list of treatments and their efficacy as perceived by the dog’s owner. I made my request on two online yahoo groups for Norwich owners with combined membership of 972 dog owners. I received 26 responses from the owners of affected dogs, three of them being from owners of dogs known to be Norwich Terrier mixes. Some respondents answered my question about treatment protocol used, while others supplemented that information with extensive descriptions of the seizure history, videos and pedigrees.

The affected dogs whose pedigrees were sent to me (unsolicited) all showed common ancestry. The most common type of seizure reported was a movement seizure with the dog remaining conscious, however there were four dogs reporting seizures that involved the whole body, eye rolling, bowel movement and loss of consciousness. One of those dogs was a Norwich mix with a Cairn Terrier confirmed through a Wisdom Panel test, a DNA test showing breed genome.

The treatments varied from diet change to anticonvulsants. Diet change involved either refraining from certain kind of protein, or protein rotation between single-protein foods. 14 dogs responded to Vitamin E and Selenium supplements. The regime varied greatly from the lowest dose being Vitamin E, 50 units and Selenium, 12.5mcg every four days to a protocol of Vitamin E 400 units twice daily and Selenium 50 mg twice daily. All owners noticed a reduction in seizure frequency

and sometimes in severity as well. All owners used a limited protein diet or protein rotation alongside the vitamin/ mineral protocol. One owner was giving her dog a high dose of Vitamin E only and noticed a reduction in episodes before learning of Selenium being a part of the protocol as well.

¹De Risio L., Forman O.P., Mellersh C.S. and Freeman J. (2016), Paroxysmal Dyskinesia in Norwich Terrier Dogs. *Movmnt Disords Clncl Practice*, 3:573-579. Doi:10.1002/mdc3.12334.

²<http://www.vetmed.umn.edu/departments/veterinary-and-biomedical-sciences/research/canine-genetics-lab/genetic-research/atypical-seizures-paroxysmal-dyskinesias>

Treatments with anticonvulsant drugs included Phenobarbital and Bromide, Levetiracetam, Valproic acid and Zonisamide. The drug reported by the dogs’ owners as having most notable decrease in seizure severity and frequency was Zonisamide. Dogs with a movement seizure (twitching, stiffening, wobbly walk or paddling while the dog remains conscious) responded well to anticonvulsants, as did the dogs with a more severe presentation of seizures, including consciousness loss. This is very important information because it confirms epilepsy as an underlying pathology.

Therefore, we might be dealing with two seizure disorders, one being convulsive form of epilepsy with tonic-clonic seizures and the other one Atypical Seizure Disorder (Paroxysmal Dyskinesia). However, it is more probable that we are observing varying degrees of dogs being affected with the same Atypical Seizure Disorder, just as it is found in the Labrador Retriever, where some dogs with Atypical Seizure Disorder develop tonic-clonic seizures.

The time has come to put one thing to bed: inheritability. The disorder is genetic. I hope that we can move towards organizing a study of Atypical Seizure Disorder, shift our attention away from hoping that the idiopathic epilepsy studies will give us a DNA test, and concentrate on further study of the atypical characteristics of the seizure disorder in Norwich Terriers that puts it in the paroxysmal dyskinesia category. And finally, let’s stop breeding dogs with any concentration of affected ancestors in their pedigrees, or a cluster of ancestors that have been proven to carry the disease (as they may produce affected progeny).

ABNORMAL LUNG DEVELOPMENT AS A CAUSE OF NEONATAL DEATH IN NORWICH TERRIER PUPPIES

A New Health Research Study

Susan Miller Hall
Chair, NTCA Health Committee

We know that unexplained deaths occur too often early in the lives of our Norwich puppies. The NTCA Health Committee is pleased to announce that Dr. Kurt Williams (Michigan State University) is collecting pilot data to study issues of abnormal lung development that may be contributing to early life mortality in puppies.

In October 2016, in cooperation with two Norwich Terrier breeders, Dr. Williams documented severe abnormalities in lung development as a cause of death in Norwich Terrier puppies that died early in life (less than two weeks of age). The microscopic findings are quite characteristic and strikingly similar. Because of this finding, and the anecdotal knowledge of early death in Norwich Terriers, he hypothesizes that lung developmental abnormalities may be an important and unrecognized cause of death early in life.

We would like to help Dr. Williams further explore this hypothesis. He needs Norwich Terriers who died less than 14 days of age. The goal of this small pilot study is to have 10-15 Norwich Terrier puppies submitted for evaluation.

How can I participate?

If you have a Norwich Terrier puppy who dies and is less than 14 days at the time of death, please contact Dr. Williams right away via email (will1273@dcpah.msu.edu) with “Norwich Terrier Lung Study” in the subject line of the email.

Refrigerate the body, do not freeze! Shipping instructions and other important information will be provided once it is determined that the puppy is a candidate to be included.



In the heartbreaking event that you lose a puppy under 14 days old, please consider participating. It is our hope that this study will help us understand abnormal lung development in puppies, with the goal of reducing neonatal death.

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MANY CHOICES: AND THAT HAS MADE A DIFFERENCE

Yes, our little dogs may be referred to as “bricks with legs” as their ability to jump and turn is less natural than many breeds but we have chosen this breed for so many other reasons. Their cuteness, their feistiness, their willingness to work (sometimes on their terms) their independence and their LOVE of having fun. And so we pursue the performance events with both anticipation of success and skepticism that they will actually perform because many of these little dogs think they dictate the “rules ” when oftentimes we “let” them be terriers.

In this reporting period from April to October, there were 57 agility titles earned by 24 dogs. There were seven Novice titles, four Open titles, six Excellent titles, and 40 Master and beyond titles. Those dogs earning Master Bronze, Silver, Gold and Century titles were in the majority of the Master titles but there were more Champion titles than ever before.

Those who love the breed despite their not being the perfect agility dog find that the choice has made the difference and many teams in this reporting period have achieved their MACH’s and PACH’s.

On May 1, 2016 Rainee Jonson and **“Savvy” (MACH10 Breakaway’s In The Know BN RN MXB3 MJS3 FTC1 MFC TQX T2B4 PAD RATN)** earned their Master Agility Champion 9. In Rainee’s words, “Exciting weekend here in the west. Savvy had a good weekend with a T2B Q, a premier Standard Q and 3 QQ’s to finish her MACH9! That was despite a bobble in jumpers with some fancy patch work and sending and running on her handlers part...that’s my little rock, she can read the #’s! We love this little superstar.”

On June 19, 2016, Ursula Walsh and **“George”(MACH2 Slightly The Hired Hand MXC MJB2 MSF T2B)** earned their Master Agility Champion 2. After watching Ursula run George in Standard, a friend gave her some advice and said, ‘Darn it, you’re going to get this done!’ And according to Ursula’s report of the day, “I wasn’t wild about the Jumpers with Weaves course... but I kept her advice in mind... I did as told and he ran it beautifully! Not even one bar tick! Halleluia! Halleluia! We got it done!

In our victory run, he dropped a bar—typical George and everyone yelled and carried on! This MACH was even more thrilling than our first one!”

On August 13, 2016, Jamie Lahy and **“Jam-Jam” (CH MACH Slightly and Yarrow Jam MXB MJB XF T2B2 THDX CGC)** earned their very first Master Agility Champion. It’s fitting that one of the judges for this event was our own Blair Kelly. Jamie admits, “ The THDX is the one I am the most proud of--- but a MACH is pretty great!” And the fact that Jam-Jam is bred, owned, and handled by Jamie Lahy (Slightly) and Beth Sweigart (Yarrow) is pretty impressive.

On October 3, 2016 Jill Lowry and **“Mack” (MACH2 PACH Keleven’s Mccracken CD BN RN MXS MJG MXP2 MXP MJP2 OF)** earned their Preferred Agility Champion title (PACH) at the All Terrier Agility Cluster. Jill’s words, “This PACH has extra meaning for us after months off dealing with arthritis pain in Mack’s hip. I won’t hesitate to put another dog on Adequan in the future, as it gave him great relief very quickly. Every run is pure joy, as he watches me so closely, and I try my best to give him clear direction. Mack, through this sport, has taken me places I never dreamed we would go and introduced me to friends I treasure.”



Mack-a-Million has his eye on that PACH ribbon!

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On October 3, 2016, Joan Krantz and **“Henry” (MACH2 Pinelake’s Happy, Fearless Explorer RA MXS MJG XF T2B2 ME EE3 CGC)** earned their Master Agility Champion 2 title (MACH2). Joan’s words, “The joy this little dog has brought to my life is beyond words. He has such a “joie de vivre” that

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MANY CHOICES: AND THAT HAS MADE A DIFFERENCE continued

I can’t but help but find ways to engage his mind and body to keep both of us happy. He is more than I would have imagined and don’t you think he knows it every time he brings me a pile of toys to remind me that it’s time to “play.”He’s my once in a lifetime dog for sure.”

TITLE NEWS FLASH –THE ONE, THE ONLY Superstar, Savage“SAVVY” Makes Norwich HISTORY

On October 20, 2016, Rainee Johnson and **“Savvy” (MACH10 Breakaway’s In The Know BN RN MXB3 MJS3 FTC1 MFC TQX T2B4 PAD RATN)** made Norwich history by earning their Master Agility Champion 10 AND then on October 23, 2016 being the first Norwich to earn Premier Standard Agility (PAD) title. Over the years, this team has been the role model for many agility teams. Their consistency and partnership has been remarkable during Savvy’s nine plus years. Watching them run gives us all pause.

Ursula Walsh said it best, “Breakaway’s In the Know”, aka “Savvy”, bred, owned and handled by NTCA Member, Rainee Johnson, DVM just made Norwich Terrier history by getting her MACH10! This is the first Norwich ever to go into MACH double digits. Savvy and Rainee are a great team--the greatest team up to now and maybe the greatest team now and forever in Norwich Agility!

And Rainee in her modest words, “Well finally after a few mess ups on my part, Savvy got her MACH10 last weekend in Pleasanton, CA. She also finished her PAD-premier standard title. The grounds were lumpy, bumpy and various gopher holes. A few of the gophers seemed to enjoy watching the dogs



Savvy jumping for joy on getting her MACH10 title!

Photo credit: Susan Miller Hall

run, so they would pop up during a run. Some had names by the end of the weekend! It was so different after spending four days at In the Net with that beautiful surface. But I had a great weekend with friends! Now on to more agility and obedience and maybe some tracking with Savvy.

(If she agrees!)

The roads we travel to get these titles have twists, turns, and detours at times, but running and training with our Norwich partners had made ALL the difference in how we live and spend our time.

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NORVILLE WINS THE VILLAGE COMPETITION AT THE ALL-TERRIER AGILITY CLUSTER PICTURES AND A THOUSAND WORDS!

We Norwich and our Norfolk cousins know how to step up our game. Our delightful English village housed 26 Norwich competitors and six Norfolk competitors with many extra dogs along as moral support. They crated in the Castles/Estates, the Forest, the Cottages, the Artist Colony, and the campground where each crate was decorated accordingly. Besides the neighborhoods, we had street signs, a clock tower, a pub, a jailhouse, and a village green with made to scale agility, earthdog, barn hunt, and rally areas. A memorial garden nearby honored those performance dogs no longer with us.

Among the competitors was Susan Miller Hall with “Weedy.” Susan also took many photographs of our dogs in action. Pictures ARE worth a thousand words and her pictures help tell the story of the many double qualifying scores, the titles, the awards, and the fun.

April Clark, who ran Punch, handed out the NTCA-sponsored awards for High in Standard on Tuesday, the host day.

Award Winners

Premier Standard – “Henry” run by Joan Krantz 46.87 seconds and second place

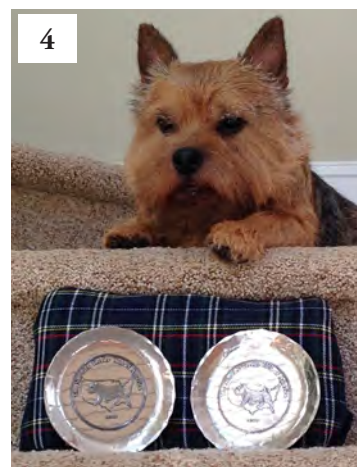
Master Standard – “Savvy” (MACH10 Breakaway's In The Know BN RN MXB3 MJS3 FTC1 MFC TQX T2B4 PAD RATN) run by Rainee Johnson 51.80 seconds and fourth place

Master Standard Preferred – “Carter” (GCH CH Kaleidoscope Claybrook Carter AX OAJ MXP2 MXPB MJPB CGC) run by Deb Lang 77.60 seconds.

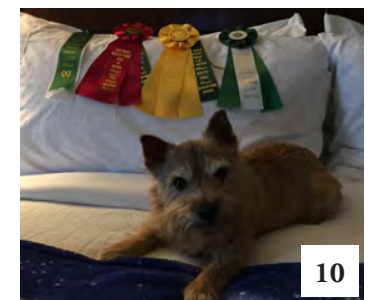
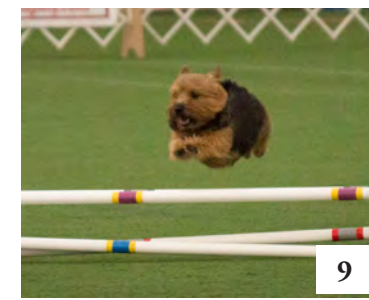
Excellent – “Wylie” (Kilyka's Wiley Wonder) run by Lark Shlimbaum 71.0 seconds and second place.

Novice – “RG” (Top Drawer's Terra Cotta Warrior), run by Karen Dwyer 59.53 seconds and first place.

Let these pictures tell the story of thousands of words, laughs, and victories.



NORVILLE WINS THE VILLAGE COMPETITION AT THE ALL-TERRIER AGILITY CLUSTER PICTURES AND A THOUSAND WORDS! *continued*



1. Village: The very crowded winning Norville. Missing from the picture are Carlynn Ricks with Hemi, Jill Lowry with Zee and Mack, Betty McDonnell with Phoebe, Cathy Rogers with Glinda. Carlynn, Jill and Betty were busy in the rally/obedience ring at the time of the photo. Cathy Rogers may have been running her for her Novice Agility title. Bonnie Carpenter and Grizwald are also missing. Photo credit: Susan Miller Hall.

2. “Rolo” (Dignpop Duke of Normandy NAJ) looking pretty proud with his first and second place ribbons.

3. Dwyer Dogs, “RG”(Top Drawer's Terra Cotta Warrior), “Bugsy”(Top Drawer's Dodge Dart Swinger), and “Duese” (Top Drawer Duesenberg Model Y). In Karen Dwyer's words,

“Kim and I wanted to “come out,” as they say, at Palmyra. We thought if we land on our face the terrier group would support us no matter what. That's just the group they are, so very supportive. Kathy Gregorieff runs Duese for Meredith Dwyer.

For being novice handlers with novice dogs, it wasn't too bad. I think nerves got to us more than anything, Kim and I would hear everyone saying, ‘Remember to just breathe and have fun.’ That's hard to do.” Photo credit: Karen Dwyer.

4. “Carter” (GCH CH Kaleidoscope Claybrook Carter AX OAJ MXP2 MXPB MJPB CGC), “Don't you dare touch my awards; I worked hard for these.” Photo credit: Deb Lang.

5. “Glinda” (CH Camio's Educated Enchantress NA) has that look in her eye as she earns her first agility title taking second place. Photo credit: Susan Miller Hall.

6. Rainee Johnson and “Savvy” (MACH10 Breakaway's In The Know BN RN MXB3 MJS3 FTC1 MFC TQX T2B4 PAD RATN) check out the list of Village Master Agility Champions from September 2015 - September 2016, after working in the Obedience Ring. Savvy is thinking, “I like seeing my name twice; now let's go run.” Photo credit: Joan Krantz.

7. “Roy” (CH Dignpop Fair and Square RA AX AXJ NF) and Heidi Evans smile as they cross that finish line. Photo credit: Susan Miller Hall.

NORVILLE WINS THE VILLAGE COMPETITION AT THE ALL-TERRIER AGILITY CLUSTER PICTURES AND A THOUSAND WORDS! *continued*

8. “Posey2” (CH Yarrow Venerie Flower Power at Bean Pine NA NAJ OAJ OF) and Ursula Walsh “Plenty of clearance over that bar!” Photo credit: Susan Miller Hall.

9. Betty McDonnell’s “Phoebe” (Kilyka’s Witch Upon a Star NA NAJ) flies over the bar with the greatest of ease and earns her Novice Agility title at the same time. Photo credit: Susan Miller Hall

10. “Ruby” (Reverie’s Dream a Little Dream MX MXG MXJ MXP MJP THDX CGC) getting ready to dream about her three QQ’s and the Master Preferred Title she earned. In Melanie Bryson’s words, “She was the super star of Palmyra week for me.” Photo credit: Melanie Bryson.

11. Premier Standard winners showed the eight-inch class how it’s done. Vicke Casey with Bric (Norville guests for the week), Joan Krantz with “Henry” (MACH2 Pinelake’s Happy, Fearless Explorer RA MXS MJG XF T2B2 ME EE3 CGC), Gail Exstrom with “Zeeta” (MACH Goldrush’s Zoomin Zeta MXS MJC OF), Patty Fornelli with “Kizzy” (Norstar Clever Kismet MX MXB MXJ MXJS OF), and Rainee Johnson with “Savvy” (MACH10 Breakaway’s In The Know BN RN MXB3 MJS3 FTC1 MFC TQX T2B4 PAD RATN). Photo credit: Susan Miller Hall.

Nine teams earned new titles: Cathy Rogers and Glinda, Betty McDonnell and Phoebe, Jill Lowry and Mack, Joan Krantz and Henry, Ursula Walsh and George, Vanessa Andrews and Ace, Melanie Bryson and Ruby, Deb Lang and Carter and Savvy and Rainee Johnson.

Two very special titles were celebrated on October 3, 2016 – the NTCA host day. Jill Lowry with “Mack” (MACH2 PACH Keleven’s Mccracken CD BN RN MXS MJG MXP2 MXP MJP2 OF) earned their Preferred Agility Champion title. Jill’s reaction, “Finishing this championship at the Montgomery All-Terrier Cluster surrounded by Norwich friends from across the country created extra special memories for me of my best friend, Mack-a-million.”

This is the second year in a row that “Henry” (MACH2 Pinelake’s Happy, Fearless Explorer RA MXS MJG XF T2B2 ME EE3 CGC) and I earned a Master Agility Champion title at the All Terrier Agility Cluster. If this is a tradition then I like it and look forward to running my ‘little man’ next year.

Because of Blair Kelly’s coordination of duties for the cluster overall, and everyone’s help on NTCA host day, all went smoothly and profits (\$1,303.07) were given to the NTUAS Fund. Thank you.

Our Village grew this year and so did the friendships and camaraderie. Plan on coming next year, October 2-5, 2017.

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Perfect Pals

Photo credit: Wheatley Wentzell

RECORD NUMBER OF NORWICH QUALIFY FOR NATIONALS

Going to the National Agility Championship at the Georgia National Fairgrounds and Agricenter in Perry, Georgia on March 24-26, 2017 to compete with and against the “best of the best” in the agility world is like no other event in the dog world. With their “terrier-tude”, our six Norwich will compete against hundreds of eight-inch dogs, many of which are world team, world-class dogs. While the arena will be electric with a fierce competitive atmosphere among many of the competitors, our group of Norwich and Norfolk cousins will be supportive, encouraging and bask in the glory of qualifying for such an event.

To be eligible to compete a dog needed to get seven Double Qualifying scores and 550 speed points between December 1, 2015 and November 30, 2016. To achieve that kind of success, dogs need to be both fast and accurate in the agility ring.

Norwich that qualified:

“Magic,” eight and a half years old, (CH MACH3 Shonleh He’s A Magic Man RA MXB2 MJS2 FTC1 MFC TQX JE) is owned and loved by Patty Fornelli.

“Zeeta,” eight and a half years old, (MACH Goldrush’s Zoomin Zeta MXS MJC OF) is owned and loved by Gail Exstrom.

“Mandy,” four and a half years old, (MACH Shaksper Amanda Seyfried RN MXB MJS CGC) is owned and loved by Blair Kelly.

“Savvy,” nine and a half years old, (MACH10 Breakaway’s In The Know BN RN MXS3 PAD MJG3 FTC1 MFC TQX T2B4 RATN) is owned and loved by Rainee Johnson, DVM .

“Ace,” nine and a half years old, (MACH2 Flying Ace Of The Skies MXG MJC OF T2B3) is owned and loved by Vanessa Andrews.

“Henry,” four and a half years old, (MACH2 Pinelake’s Happy, Fearless Explorer RA MXS MJG XF T2B2 ME EE3 CGC) is owned and loved by Joan Krantz.

As you can see from the list, it’s quite a range of ages among these dogs, but you can also see that they are all Master Agility Champions; many with multiple championships.

This is the list as of November 4, 2016. AKC will post a final list at the end of December 2016. Who knows, the Norwich team may have some new members!

As of now, Vanessa Andrews with Ace and Joan Krantz with Henry will be attending the event. Blair Kelly is undecided at this point and the Northern California crew of Patty Fornelli, Rainee Johnson, and Gail Exstrom plan to wait until the event moves to the west coast in 2018.

Congratulations to all qualifiers and good luck to those attending. Run small, run fast, run clean and run happy!

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Roan and Rascal

Photo credit: Tonnie Willich

THE INVITATIONAL GANG IS READY

Another year, another Invitational featuring the top five Regular Class Norwich in agility and the top Preferred Norwich. The event was held at the Orange County Convention Center in Orlando, Florida on December 16-18, 2016. In addition to the many agility titles, these busy, active dogs perform in Obedience, Rally, Earthdog, and Barn Hunt to keep bodies in tiptop shape and their minds working too. Of this group, four dogs have earned a Versatility Award from the NCTA and two have earned a Versatility Excellent Award.

REGULAR

#1 – Rainee Johnson with “Savvy” (MACH10 Breakaway’s In The Know BN RN MXB3 MJS3 FTC1 MFC TQX T2B4 PAD RATN) will compete for the seventh time at the Invitational. Versatility Award 2014.

#2 – Joan Krantz and “Henry” (MACH2 Pinelake’s Happy, Fearless Explorer RA MXS MJG XF T2B2 ME EE3 CGC) will compete for the second time. Versatility Excellent Award 2014.

#3 – Blair Kelly and “Mandy” (MACH Shaksper Amanda Seyfried RN MXB MJS CGC CH) were invited but declined since “Mandy” had puppies in the fall. Blair has attended other Invitationals with “Kate,” the first Norwich to get a MACH.

#4 – Patty Fornelli and “Magic” (MACH3 Shonleh He’s A Magic Man RA MXB2 MJS2 FTC1 MFC TQX JE) were invited but declined the invitation. Versatility Award 2011 and Versatility Excellent Award in 2013.

#5 – Vanessa Andrews and “Ace” (MACH2 Flying Ace Of The Skies MXS MJC OF T2B2) will compete for the second time. Vanessa has applied for membership to the NTCA.

Because two of the top five dogs declined the invitation to participate this year, another team was invited.

Melanie Bryson and “Dinah Molly” (MACH3 Arcadian-Dynamite Red Beryl MXC2 MJG2 THDA RATN CGC) will compete for the third time. Versatility Award 2015.

PREFERRED

#1 – Jill Lowry and “Mack” (MACH2 PACH Keleven’s Mccracken CD BN RN MXS MJG MXP2 MXP MJP2 OF) will compete for the third time. This will be his first competition as the #1 Preferred dog. Versatility Award 2012.

Our Norwich always charm the crowd with their excitement and energy as they run through the course, smiling and sometimes barking.

These stars didn’t need luck; they have the skills and will to win!

Congratulations on being invited. I’ll report on how they did in the next issue of the News.

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EARTHDOG

SEIZE THE OPPORTUNITY AND LET YOUR NORWICH TERRIER “SEIZE THE PREY”

Why not seize the opportunity at Purina Farms in May 2018 to release your dog’s inner being? While there are currently few Norwich Terriers that participate in Earthdog events, there are many that chase, trap, and kill chipmunks, moles, rats, squirrels, and birds. Yours might be one of these. Why not begin some training now so you too can join the small cadre of members found at these fun events?

Yes, some training is required and much of that can begin at home. Your dog needs to feel comfortable going into a 9 X 9 inch tunnel which can be easily trained with a cardboard box. Another “trainable” element of the game is the partnership of

the “hunt.” Let your Norwich Terrier get used to being outdoors in wooded areas/fields where the two of you can “hunt” together and investigate empty holes, the base of rock piles, fallen trees, and in leafy/brushy areas. You can also encourage this by hiding small treats under logs and bushes and asking the dog to check it out. This skill can help to reign in dogs that prefer to hunt independently, and remind them you are part of the team!

Of course, at some point they need to understand the “work” part of the earthdog tests. This may or may not be part of their hard wiring, but unless and until you try, you’ll never really

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EARTHDOG

SEIZE THE OPPORTUNITY AND LET YOUR NORWICH TERRIER “SEIZE THE PREY”
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know. When Joan showed the rats to her female, “Cricket” (Elysium’s Summersong at Pinelake MX MXB MXJ MJB NF THDA CGC), Cricket simply turned around having no interest at all. But when I showed the rats to “Henry” (MACH2 Pinelake’s Happy, Fearless Explorer RA MXS MJG XF T2B2 ME EE3 CGC) he went into complete prey drive. Fortunately, I had an experienced Earthdog person who taught me how to encourage Henry. There are many earthdog, and even some all-breed clubs that offer training days for newbies to come out and meet rats and learn about above and below ground tunnels. These are very worth taking advantage of. Even dogs with initial reactions more like Cricket’s may surprise you after they have more exposure to the rats, and dogs like Henry need to learn how to play the game by AKC rules! The long and short of it is that this performance activity is about your dog’s prey drive, its instincts, and your training and partnership. And it takes patience.

Forerunners to the current dogs who participate have forged the way, and we should all be proud of their accomplishments. About 25 Norwich have earned titles and currently club members Patty Fornelli, Denise Faulkner, Ursula Walsh, Jill Petersen and Joan Krantz participate. Others have tried and some continue to pursue the fun because their dogs love it. Earthdog events can be a pleasant contrast to other, more competitive, dog activities. There is neither “competition” nor placements. Dogs are judged solely on how they perform that day and will either pass or fail based on how they perform the skills required at their test level. As such, it is a sport where participants truly support each other, and wish the best for all teams entered. There are no “losers” - everyone gets to have fun with their dog and enjoy the company of others who love their dogs.

During the past six months two club members earned their second Endurance Earthdog title (EE2) just one week apart. (They also earned their first EE within weeks of each other in 2015!) “Henry” (MACH2Pinelake’s Happy Fearless Explorer RA MXS MJG XF T2B2 ME EE3 CGC) include his other titles, or remove the titles from Etta’s name), owned by Joan Krantz earned his EE2 on May 22, 2016, and “Etta” (Amblegreen Notti Marietta CDX PCDX BN GO RE ME EE2 RATN CGC), owned by Jill Petersen, earned her EE2 on May 29, 2017. “Henry” also earned his Endurance Earthdog 3 in August; sadly Etta was unable to follow suit this time around, as the fall tests in Washington were cancelled due to

predicted storms. She still has one more leg to earn to catch up with Henry’s EE3! For both Joan and Jill this it has been fun to track these coincident titles. But for both, the bottom line is the fun of the hunt, the partnership with our dogs and being outdoors that will keep us playing this game until our dogs tell us they have had enough. These two Norwich Terriers and their owners are dreaming of being brace mates during a Master hunt and maybe it will happen at Purina Farms in 2018.

Though I’ve never been to Purina Farms, I hear the Earthdog dens are fabulous and I’ll be going. If all goes according to plan there will be a practice before the actual day of testing, so why not put the date on your calendar, May 6, 2018. Hope to see many of your dogs “seizing the moment and the prey.”

– Jill Petersen and Joan Krantz
Earthdog News Reporters



“Henry” Krantz “I’ll keep digging until I find him, just give me a chance.”

Photo credit: Joan Krantz



“Etta” celebrating a successful earthdog test weekend and raffle – another benefit at many earthdog tests!

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EARTHDOG

SEIZE THE OPPORTUNITY AND LET YOUR NORWICH TERRIER “SEIZE THE PREY”
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For those of you who might consider participating in Earthdog during the 2018 specialty or before, this is how it begins.

Introduction to Quarry

This test is designed to test the dog’s natural instinct. If you find yourself in a position to attend an earthdog test, even if you have not previously been able to practice or introduce your dog to rats, this is a class where some “training” and encouragement is allowed making it worth entering. There is a ten foot underground tunnel with one right angle turn. Scent is laid from the release point (10 feet in front of the tunnel, and through the tunnel leading to the caged rat (blocked by dowels) at the end. If necessary, the handler can courage the dog to “work” the rat, and/or the judge will help both the handler and the dog to encourage work. In the context of earthdog, this means the dog will bark, scratch, and/or dig demonstrating interest in the rat. Not all dogs “get it” at first because they are working through many new experiences. Often the dogs will need multiple tries at “Introduction to Quarry” before they gain the confidence to go into the tunnel and work. Patience and encouragement is key. This is not a titling class, though the dogs that succeed will get a ribbon and the owner will feel great pride!

Junior Earthdog

This is the first titling class and tests the dog’s instinct, as well as its ability to maneuver a more complex tunnel. In Junior there is a 30 foot underground tunnel with three right angle turns. The dog is released 10 feet from the visible, “inviting”, tunnel entrance. The handler can give one, short command, such as “get the rats”, then must stand silently – at this point it is up to the dog! The dog has 45 seconds to follow the

scent line in the tunnel and get to the prey, and then has 30 seconds to evaluate the situation and begin to work. Just as in intro, digging, barking, scratching, and/or other activity that clearly indicates interest in getting to, or holding the quarry at bay define work. It’s important to remember that Earthdog is not really about hunting rats, where silence and patience would likely be more successful for the kill. Instead, the rats are “impersonating” bigger quarry, such as badger, requiring a more cooperative hunt with the human counterpart. The work simulates a hunting situation where the dog holds the quarry, and creates sufficient noise for the handler to know where to dig down to the quarry. After working for 60 seconds, the handler removes the dog from the quarry end of the tunnel. To earn a Junior Earthdog title, the dog must pass twice, under two different judges.

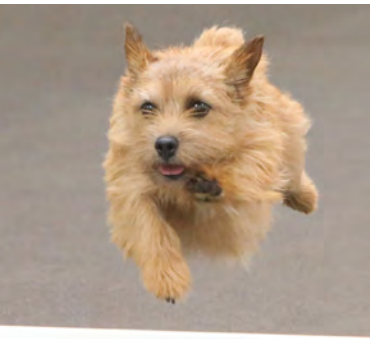
Other levels of competition are Senior and Master Earthdog. Each of these introduces more complexity to the tunnels (multiple entrances, “false”-unscented dens, obstacles, etc.) and requires additional skills (the ability to call the dog out of the tunnel after the quarry has “bolted”, the hunt-up, indicating the “live” entrance, and more). These also require more passes, 3 and 4 respectively. To earn an Endurance Earthdog title, the dog must have earned the Master title, and then pass both Senior and Master at the same test 5 times. Dogs can continue to compete for their EE2, EE3 and more EE titles by repeating the Endurance Earthdog requirements.

For more information about AKC Earthdog tests or to download the complete regulations, visit <http://www.akc.org/events/earth-dog/info>.

OBEDIENCE AND RALLY REPORT

NTCA member teams earned 10 Obedience and Rally titles between April and November, 2016.

In May, eight-year-old **Fairfield Zilly UD VER RAE** and Joanie Brobst obtained a third qualifying score in the AKC’s Versatility Optional Titling class, earning Versatility (VER). This is a fun class for handlers and highly-trained dogs after they have earned the Utility Dog (UD) title. Teams are asked to perform two exercises from each Novice, Open and Utility, with the selected exercises being posted only 45 minutes before the start of the class.



“Etta”

Ablegreen Notti Marietta “Etta,” owned by Jill Petersen, Elizabeth Pearson and Heather Tomlins, completed Companion Dog Excellent (CDX). Etta is Jill Peterson’s third Norwich, and her eighth competition obedience dog. Notice the obedience titles she has

already earned – PCDX (Preferred Open) and GO (Graduate Open). The AKC recently added Alternate Titling class, Preferred Open, which entails all the individual Open exercises without the group exercise. Group exercise at the Open level is a three-minute sit-stay and a five-minute down-stay with the handler out of sight. Preferred Open is a wonderful option for owners who prefer not to put their small terriers in the ring with larger breeds while they cannot be present, or for dogs who have not yet perfected the out-of-sight stay, but are ready for the fun of jumping and retrieving in Open. The AKC recently added the Optional Titling class, Graduate Open, which involves all the advanced exercises of Utility, with small modifications such as shorter distances. Congratulations are well-deserved for CDX, and we can expect to see Etta and Jill Peterson listed in future reports.

Decorated agility team of **Savvy** and Rainee Johnson completed Beginner Novice (BN). “I decided to enter nine-year-old Savvy at the trials held during the Montgomery All-Terrier Cluster,” Johnson said. They earned two of their qualifying scores at Palmyra, then finished up the third near their California home. “I do a lot of coming to heel and coming to side in agility training, which carried over for Obedience.” As agility handlers will attest, we use “Wait” in agility, not “Stay.” Beginner

Novice requires the dog to sit in the middle of the ring while the handler walks around the perimeter before returning to heel position. Rainee needed to condition Savvy for a long, long “Wait.” Well done!

Three-year-old Zee completed Rally Advanced Excellent (RAE) in August, which requires ten double-Qs, ten qualifying runs in both Rally Excellent and Rally Advanced in the same trial. I like Rally runs at Obedience trials to drain a bit of nervous energy and get attention and rhythm prior to Obedience runs. Rally has become so popular that clubs have begun to offer Rally-only trials in my area, Louisville, Kentucky, resulting in four trials per weekend.



“Zee” Lowry earning her RAE

Highwood’s Lady Renegade RE MX MXJ OF T2B CGCA completed Rally Excellent (RE) in October. **Minnow** and Kathy Gregorieff competed in Agility and Rally at Montgomery, adding this title to their growing list.



Heidi and “Roy”

Roy and Heidi Evans completed their Rally Advanced (RA) title. This is the first Rally level at which dogs must perform all exercises off-lead. The handler must be very fluent in the signs and performance of each exercise to maintain connection with their dog throughout. This level also includes reconnecting after a jump, which is no problem for this agility team. Like, Rainee, Heidi trained this sport to compete the first time at Montgomery, then just kept going!

OBEDIENCE AND RALLY REPORT *continued*

Montgomery first-timer, Kandy Adams, completed RN with **CH Kilyka’s Bird In Hand CDX RN RA NA NAJ**. While Kandy is experienced training other working breeds, this is Kandy’s first Norwich, first Rally dog, and they work very nicely together. This team went on to complete off-lead RA in November.

Piper and Gayle Holmen completed Rally Novice (RN) title in September followed quickly by Rally Advanced (RA) in October. Gayle also showed **CH Bayou Ridge Honey Bear At Mischief “Bear”** to his RN in October. Gayle enjoys Rally for the opportunity to talk to her dogs while on course, keeping them focused and happy. “It’s a team sport, both dog and handler can lose points,” said Holmen.



“Piper” (left) and “Bear” (right) with their rally prizes

Indeed, both Rally and Obedience offer the opportunity to work as a team with our terriers. I particularly enjoy watching them learn new skills and chaining those skills into exercises. It’s important to remember that our Norwich are natural hunters, and sometimes have games other than Obedience on their minds. Jill Peterson recalled a time when Etta “ran full speed out of the ring behind the surrounding bleachers. I climbed the ring gate and went crawling after her, trying to catch my “obedient” dog-turned-huntress! When I returned to the ring to retrieve my leash and apologize to the judge, she laughed and said she saw the RAT that led to THAT blunder!” Many handlers would stop competing at a point like that, but Norwich handlers know that our eventual victory will be even sweeter.



Spring Beauties

Photo credit: Betty McDonnell

GCH CH Dungeness Inspector Bruno by Littlefield, CHIC#115744

(Am CH/Can GCH/Intl CH Littlefield Just Let It Ride x Littlefield Veritas Lillian of Dungeness)

Breeders: Elaine C. Jong, MD, Britt Litchford, MD, and Leandra Little
Owners: Elaine C. Jong, MD, and Britt Litchford, MD

“Bruno” earned his AKC Grand Champion title in September, finishing during a series of five consecutive Best of Breed major wins, including three BOBs where he was shown by Elaine and also got Best Owner-Handled in Breed. Our sincere appreciation goes to Bill and Taffe McFadden for showing Bruno on the pathway to his GCH and for their steadfast encouragement. At Montgomery 2016, Bruno was presented with great enthusiasm and skill by Conor McFadden and Olivia Hodgkinson, where Bruno went Best of Breed at the Devon Dog Show under Judge Ms. Minna-Liisa Koltes in a very competitive field! We were so thrilled at this recognition of our lovable boy, who is a joy to live with and is filled with lots of terrier spirit!



CH Ascot Bonnie Blue Me Away

(CH Jaeva Could It Be Magic x CH Ascot Glitterbug)

Owner: Marilyn Jacobs
Breeder: Jane & William Schubart

“Bonnie” finished her championship in June 2016 at the Butte County Kennel Club with a Best of Breed win. Bonnie was handled by Jorge and Susie Olivera.

CH Ascot S’Cess Cinnamon Girl

(CH Ragus Rock The House x CH Ascot Sand Castle)

Owner: Shirley & Donald Van Camp and Jane Schubart
Breeder: Jane & William Schubart

“Nellie,” handled by Angela Chase, finished her championship with a Best of Breed win and a 4-point major at the Fayetteville Kennel Club show in June 2016 under judge Vladimir Mihaljcic.



CH Fishback Frankly Speaking

(GCH Camio's Educated Exemplar x CH Fishback Forget-Me-Knot)

Owner/Breeder: Susan Miller Hall, April Clark and Amy Grace Clark

CH Fishback Party In A Package

(GCH Camio's Educated Exemplar x CH Fishback Hat Trick)
Owner/Breeder: Susan Miller Hall and April Clark



CH Fishback Running With Scissors

(GCH Camio's Educated Exemplar x CH Fishback Hat Trick)
Owner/Breeder: Susan Miller Hall and April Clark

CH Fishback To Kill A Mocking Squirrel

(GCH Camio's Educated Exemplar x CH Fishback Hat Trick)
Owner/Breeder: Susan Miller Hall and April Clark



CH Fishback's Commodore Perry

(CH Ascot Sand Dollar x CH Fishback Sho-Me Sum Scrumpy Cider)
Owner: Kelly Foos
Breeder: Susan Miller Hall, April Clark and Fran Westfall
“Perry” finished at the Richland County Kennel Club show on 12/10/2016 at 11 months old.
He was owner-handled to his championship!



GCH Itsy Bitsy Thistledown Family Ties

(GCH Abbedale Life of Riley at Glengariff x CH Itsy Bitsy Still in the Family)
Owner: Tonnie and Jerry Willrich and Amanda Kozora
Breeder: Amanda Kozora and Tonnie Willrich

"Skip" finished his Championship with three majors at the San Antonio cluster in July 2016 and became a Grand Champion in September. He has earned several group placements in a short time and received an Award of Merit under judge Peter Green at MCKC. Skip is a cobby boy, a great mover, and he loves to show. He is presented by Alfonso Escobedo and Ashlie Whitmore.



MACH2 Pinelake's Happy, Fearless Explorer RA MXS MJG XF T2B2 ME EE3 CGC

(CH Pinelake's Mega Bucks RE MX MXJ x CH GCH Elysium's Ciao Bella NAJ)
Breeders: Carol S. Clark and Karen Sullivan
Owner: Joan S. Krantz

2016 was a very good year for this “Henry” earned his Master Agility Champion 2 (MACH2) at the All Terrier Agility Cluster on October 3, 2016, where we celebrated with many terrier friends. He also earned his Endurance Earthdog 2 title in May and his Endurance Earthdog 3 title in August. He is the first Norwich to earn an Endurance Earthdog 3 title.

He makes me smile when he's running full speed and happy in both the agility ring and the woods!



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Let's Hunt A Turtle

ALL TERRIER CLUB OF WESTERN WASHINGTON

June 10, 2016 • Puyallup, WA

Sweepstakes Judge: Gary Stiles

BSW: BUNRATTY'S PARTNER IN CRIME
(6-9 mos, dog)
CH Bunratty's Mister Know It All - CH Bunratty's Royal Paddy Whack
Breeder: Ron Crawford and Estelle Crawford
Owners: David Cone, Ron Crawford, Estelle Crawford, and Kaitlin Cone

BOSW: BUNRATTY'S MIDNIGHT LADY
(6-9 mos, bitch)
GCH Bunratty's Dust Buster - CH Bunratty's Crown Jewel
Breeder/Owner: Estelle Crawford and Ronald Crawford

Judge: Norman Patton



Breeder/Owner: Lynne Davis and Heather J Tomlins

SEL: CH BUNRATTY'S DUST DEVIL
GCH Bunratty's Dust Buster - CH Bunratty's Razzle Dazzle
Breeder/Owner: Estelle Crawford and Ronald Crawford

WB/BOW/BOS: UNIQUE'S STRIKE A POSE (BBE)
CH Wynwards Beyond A Doubt - GCH Unique's Head Turner
Breeder: Karen Whalen and Christopher Larson
Owners: Karen Whalen and Donna Mueller

WD: UNIQUE'S IT ALL ABOUT ME (open)
CH Unique's Rojo Del Sol - CH Wynward One In a Million
Breeder: Karen Whalen and Liz Fujikawa
Owner: Thom Murawski and Karen Whalen

NORWICH TERRIER CLUB OF GREATER CHICAGO SPECIALTY & SWEEPSTAKES
AT GREAT LAKES ALL TERRIER ASSOCIATION

June 18, 2016 • Grayslake, IL

Sweepstakes Judge: Janis Birchall, MD

BSW: FISHBACK TO KILL A MOCKING SQUIRREL
(dog, 15-18 mos)
GCH Camio's Educated Exemplar - CH Fishback Hat Trick
Breeder: Susan Miller Hall and April Clark
Owner: Susan Miller Hall, April Clark and Amy Grace Clark

BOSW: JANORAS REACHING FOR THE STARS
(bitch, 12-15 mos)
GCH Janoras Simply A Legacy - CH Janoras Written In The Stars
Breeder/Owner: Norma Braun

Judge: Mr. Alfred J. Ferruggiaro



BOB/G1 GCH DANCY'S ROUGH RIDER
CH Cobby's Hidden Treasure - GCH Dancy's Storm Warning
Breeder/Owner: Nancy Lentz and Dwain Lentz

BOS: BELFYRE'S BEWITCHED AT BARKWICH
Piccadilly's Royal Prince Of Barkwich - CH Belfyre's Dora The X Plorer
Breeder: Polly O'Neal
Owner: Jacqueline L. McMurray and Polly O'Neal

SEL: GCH ABBEDALE LIFE OF RILEY AT GLENGARIFF
CH Abbedale Bob's Brother - CH Abbedale Posh Spice
Breeder: Joan Eckert
Owner: Judy and John Laffey

SEL: CH JANORAS TWINKLE TWINKLE LITTLE STAR
GCH Janoras Simply A Legacy - CH Janoras Written In The Stars
Breeder: Norma Braun
Owner: Beverly Small

WD/BW/BBBE: FISHBACK TO KILL A MOCKING SQUIRREL (BBE)
GCH Camio's Educated Exemplar - CH Fishback Hat Trick
Breeder: Susan Miller Hall and April Clark
Owner: Susan Miller Hall, April Clark and Amy Grace Clark

WB: TALIESIN UP NORTH GIRL (open)
CH Reverie's Royal Legacy - Up North's Aurora Borealis
Breeder/Owner: Suzanne Osborne

NORWICH TERRIER CLUB OF GREATER CHICAGO SUPPORTED ENTRY
AT LITTLE FORT KENNEL CLUB

June 19, 2016 • Grayslake, IL

Judge: Mrs. Betty-Anne Stenmark

BOB/G2 GCH DANCY’S ROUGH RIDER
CH Cobby's Hidden Treasure - GCH Dancy's
Storm Warning
Breeder/Owner: Nancy Lentz and Dwain Lentz

SEL: GCH ABBEDALE LIFE OF RILEY AT
GLENGARIFF
CH Abbedale Bob's Brother - CH Abbedale Posh Spice
Breeder: Joan Eckert
Owner: Judy and John Laffey

SEL: FISHBACK SHO-ME SUM SCRUMPY CIDER
CH Abbedale Brass Tacks - Miller's Sho Me Polished Amber
Breeder: Susan Miller Hall and Fran Westfall
Owner: Susan Miller Hall

WB/BOW/BOS: TALIESIN UP NORTH GIRL (open)
CH Reverie's Royal Legacy - Up North's Aurora Borealis
Breeder/Owner: Suzanne Osborne

WD: FISHBACK PARTY IN A PACKAGE (12-18 mos)
GCH Camio's Educated Exemplar - CH Fishback Hat Trick
Breeder/Owner: April Clark and Susan Miller Hall

NTCA SUPPORTED ENTRY AND SWEEPSTAKES
AT GREAT WESTERN TERRIER ASSOCIATION

June 26, 2016 • Long Beach, CA

Judge: Clay Coady



Breeder: Betty McDonnell
Owner: Dr. Vu Nguyen, Greg Dotzman
and Betty McDonnell

BOB: CH
KILYKA'S
SAGITTARIUS
SHINES
OVER CAMELOT
GCH
Thunderwood's
First Robin of
Spring - CH
Kilyka's Witch
Hazel.

WB/BOS: VERDANT'S ENTHUSIASTA EVITA
(6-9 mos)
GCH Den-Mar's Wild Card -CH Verdant's Athena
Breeder: Jamie Putnam, Chee Wai-Andrew Chen,
and Cary Trexler
Owner: Chee Wai-Andrew Chen and Cary Trexler

SEL: CH LASATA'S CHAMPAGNE IN THE RAIN
GCH Michans Mick Like A Rolling Stone - GCH Lasata's
Chick-A-Dee
Breeder: James Latuscha and E. Dorothy Prohaska
Owner: Lynn Marshall

NTCA SUPPORTED ENTRY AT NORTH TEXAS TERRIER CLUB

July 7, 2016 • Dallas, TX

Sweepstakes Judge: Ms Darlene Cox Davis

BSW: ACORN'S BRICK HOUSE (dog, 9-12 mos)
GCH Camio's Educated Exemplar - GCH Ch Norieland
Andrea Gail
Breeder/Owner: Kate Zimmer.

BOSW: MOONDANCE THAT'S THE TRUTH
(bitch, 6-9 mos)
Moondance The Successor-Dreamweaver
Moondance Serenade
Breeder: Robin Hoch
Owner: Roberta Kirby

Judge: Sally George

BOB/G2: GCH CH DANCY'S ROUGH RIDER
CH Cobby's Hidden Treasure - GCH Dancy's
Storm Warning
Breeder/Owner: Nancy and Dwain Lentz

BOS: GCH LAPRELE CHEROKEE PRINCESS
CH Sierra's Apache Scout - CH This Magic Moment
Breeder: Edna Grabow
Owner: Nancy Wilde

SEL: GCH CH DEN-MAR'S WILD CARD
GCH Skyscott's Texas Hold 'Em - CH Den-Mar's It Is
What It Izzy
Breeder: Marie Cato
Owner: Marie Cato and Suzanne Bennett

SEL: CH LASATA'S CHAMPAGNE IN THE RAIN
GCH Michans Mick Like A Rolling Stone - GCH Lasata's
Chick-A-Dee
Breeder: James Latuscha and E. Dorothy Prohaska
Owner: Lynn Marshall

AOM: CH M & M'S WALKING ON SUNSHINE
GCH Michan's Mick Like A Rolling Stone - CH Michan's
Grace Kelly
Breeder: Donna K Moore
Owner: Donna K Moore and Thomas Katzenstein

AOM: GCH ABBEDALE LIFE OF RILEY AT
GLENGARIFF
CH Abbedale Bob's Brother - CH Abbedale Posh Spice
Breeder: Joan Eckert
Owner: Judy and John Laffey

WD/BOW: ACORN'S BRICK HOUSE (BBE)
GCH Camio's Educated Exemplar - GCH Norieland
Andrea Gail
Breeder/Owner: Kate Zimmer

WB: BLACKROCK'S BETTING THE RAINBOW
(Open)
GCH Skyscot's Poker Chip - J Cobe Brighter Than The Sun
Breeder/Owner: Jeff Little



Photo credit: Lee Little

Butterscotch wears her peppermints

LONE STAR NORWICH TERRIER CLUB SPECIALTY & SWEEPSTAKES

July 7 & 9, 2016 • Dallas, TX



The Lone Star Norwich Terrier Club held two Specialties on July 7 and 9, 2016, in conjunction with the Lone Star Classic. The weather was Texas toasty, but Market Hall was cool and comfortable. The trophies and rosettes

were beautifully displayed ringside by the Trophy Committee. Thanks to all exhibitors who traveled to Dallas to take part in the shows. A big thank you to our judges – Diane Ivey from Canada and Sally George from California. Thanks as well to our Sweepstakes judges Lisa Sons and Darlene Cox Davis . We look forward to seeing many of you again in 2017.

Sweepstakes Judge: Ms. Lisa Sons

BSW: ITSY BITSY THISTLEDOWN BAYOU RIDGE GUMBO DES MARAIS (dog, 9-12 mos)
GCH Abbedale Life of Riley at Glengariff - CH Itsy Bitsy Still in the Family
Breeder: Amanda Kozora and Tonnie Willrich
Owner: KB Sumner, MD; Wm Pohlmann; MW Seiler. MD; and Marshall Lee

BOSW: DEN-MAR’S HOUSE PARTY (bitch, 9-12 mos)
GCH Den-Mar’s Wild Card - CH Moondance the Sky’s the Limit at Den-Mar
Breeder/Owner: Marie Cato

Judge: Dianne Ivey



BOB/BISS: CH MICHAN’S ROCK ‘N’ ROLLING STONE
GCH Michan’s Mick Like a Rolling Stone - GCH Michan’s Veronica The Red Lady
Breeder: Lynn & Howard Marshall
Owner: Barbara Einspruch

BOS: CH ITSY BITSY LAWDY MISS CLAWDY
CH Waiterocks Blockbuster-CH Itsy Bitsy Good Golly Miss Molly
Breeder: Tonnie and Gerard Willrich
Owner: Amanda Kozora & Tonnie Willrich

SEL: GCH CH DANCY’S ROUGH RIDER
CH Cobby’s Hidden Treasure - GCH Ch Dancy’s Storm Warning
Breeder/Owner: Nancy and Dwain Lentz

SEL: CH NORIELAND KATIE BAR THE DOOR
CH Norieland Gentleman Jack - Norieland My Girl
Breeder: Karen and Steve Vaughn
Owner: Cindy and Steve Jankoviak

WD/BOW/BBE: ACORN’S BRICK HOUSE (BBE)
GCH Camio’s Educated Exemplar - GCH Ch Norieland Andrea Gail
Breeder/Owner: Kate Zimmer

WB: ALEGRIA IRISH GIFT OF GAB (9-12 mos)
GCH Thunderwood’s First Robin Of Spring - Itsy Bitsy Alegria Irish Cream
Breeder: Maria Kelley and Tonnie Willrich
Owner: Maria Kelley

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE LONE STAR NORWICH TERRIER CLUB

July 9, 2016 • Dallas, TX

It was a great honor to be invited to judge your Norwich Terrier Specialty on Saturday July 9, 2016. It was truly a pleasure to be able to judge my long time and much loved breed.

This show is held in conjunction with the Lone Star State Classic, which includes three all-breed club shows, as well as other specialties. For terrier exhibitors, the weekend starts off with the North Texas Terrier Club show on Thursday evening. The venue is top drawer, large, air-conditioned, clean, and close to a number of hotels. In fact, so close that I was able to easily walk from my five-star hotel accommodations to the show grounds in about three minutes. As a judge, I couldn’t ask for more.

The Lone Star Norwich Terrier Club did a wonderful job of their specialty, it was well run, the prizes were very unique and well done, consisting of different objects of art, depicting hand painted Norwich Terriers in different poses. The club members can be very proud of hosting such a well run specialty. If I’m not mistaken, there were five sets of points available for the Norwich Terriers at this show.

Thank you for inviting me to your supper and a huge thank you for the wonderful gift, from your club, of a hand painted plate done in the likeness of my very own Norwich Terrier, Tucker. It will always be treasured. I’ve been asked to put a few of my observations on paper regarding the dogs I judged and I’m happy to do that in a constructive manner. I had a very nice entry of 36 Norwich, from different parts of the USA as my catalogue reads.

I was looking for good structure in front and rear. Along with that, I was looking for a good harsh coat, dark eye, nice strong head, and top line.

Structure – I was particularly paying attention to a good shoulder and a good length and return of upper arm so that the elbow falls right below the shoulder. That construction enables the dog/bitch to reach out in front, and avoid the shortened stride that we sometimes see in Norwich. As well, the Norwich must have the same balance in the rear and a good solid top line between the two. I concentrate on the side view during the go around as that is where we can see these things. I’m pleased to say that the dogs/bitches that I placed did have the structure I was looking for.

Coat – I wasn’t worried about quantity of coat, but more the quality of coat. I must compliment the grooming on these entrants, some of them were outstanding. I was looking for a good harsh coat. You don’t always get a lot furnishings with a hard coat, so furnishings weren’t a concern to me. The correct hard coat was important though.

Teeth – Teeth were pretty good. I didn’t see anything to be concerned about in the teeth as far as missing teeth or off bites is concerned. I’m more concerned having been a breeder, about the fact that Norwich can have small teeth and have problems keeping them into old age. I like to see big, strong teeth, in a strong jaw.

Tongue – I did see one or two tipping tongues, which concern me. If I see a tongue protruding from a mouth, it warns me there may be a problem with an elongated soft palate, which is something a judge can’t know for sure, but worth taking into consideration as a breeder. Having been a breeder of Norwich and knowing some of the health problems, I’m aware when I do see it that it could possibly indicate a problem.

Heads – In general, we have many different heads in the Norwich breed. I’m happy with a strong head, dark eye, good stop and strong muzzle.

Bone – I like to see strong bone in a small package in our Norwich. I found some well-boned and some not-as-well-boned, but again, nothing to be concerned about. Bone seems to be like a good front in Norwich, hard to get and hard to keep, so I’m always aware of the lack of it.

All in all, I was very happy with my entrants; my BOB dog had many good qualities, including the shoulders rear and top line I was looking for. He had a very pleasing head and moved well. The WD and RWD were right up there as well, very nice specimens of the breed. The bitches the same – good examples of the Norwich breed. The breeders and owners are to be congratulated on their fine efforts in producing and exhibiting animals of such quality for the Norwich breed.

Thank you again for inviting me to judge for your specialty.

Sincerely,
Dianne Ivey

INTRODUCTION TO MONTGOMERY WEEK

October 6 - 9, 2016

It's hard to believe another National Specialty Hatboro, Devon, MCKC weekend has passed. This year marked the NTCA's 8th National Specialty; one that made the MCKC history book with GCH Taliesin Twice As Nice's Best in Show win at MCKC.

It was a wonderful weekend with lovely dogs, new and old friends, club events and a valuable educational session on

dental health. The Hatboro shows were at a new site this year in Macungie, PA. It was a change from our usual setting in Wrightstown. We showed outside, and the weather was kind to us. Cool mornings led into gorgeous sunshine by the time the specials were in the rings. Devon and Montgomery were not as lucky in the weather department, but that did not stop our hardy breed and fanciers from getting out there and enjoying the shows.

HATBORO DOG CLUB (I)

October 6, 2016 • Macungie, PA

Judge: Bob Busby

BOB: GCH DEN-MAR'S WILD CARD
GCH Skyscot's Texas Hold Em - CH Den-Mar's It Is What It Is Izzy
Breeder: Marie Cato
Owner: Marie Cato and Suzanne Bennett

BOS: CH MICHAN'S JERRY PLAYS WITH FIRE
GCH Michan's Mick Like A Rolling Stone - GCH Michan's Veronica The Red Lady
Breeder/Owner: Lynn and Howard Marshall

SEL: GCH DANCY'S ROUGH RIDER
CH Cobby's Hidden Treasure - GCH Dancy's Storm Warning
Breeder/Owner: Nancy and Dwain Lentz

SEL: GCH JANORAS TWINKLE TWINKLE LITTLE STAR
GCH Janoras Simply A Legacy - CH Janoras Written In The Stars
Breeder: Norma Braun
Owner: Beverly Small

WB/BOW: KILYKA'S SEE YA LATER (open)
GCH Dancy's Rough Rider - CH Kilykas Rare Bird ALert CDX NA NAJ
Breeder: Betty McDonnell
Owner: Denise Castonguay and Betty McDonnell

WD: FXHNT JUSLYN FIRST APPEARANCE DECEIVES (open)
GCH Bronwyn He's A Heartbreaker - CH FXHNT Keeping Up Appearances
Breeder: Hal Happersett and Roxanne Sutton
Owner: Hal Happersett

BOBOH: CH DEN-MAR'S LOADED DECK
GCH Den-Mar's Wild Card - CH Den-Mar's Don't Mess With My Toot Toot
Breeder/Owner: Marie Cato and Suzanne Bennett

HATBORO DOG CLUB (II)

October 7, 2016 • Macungie, PA

Judge: Masami Uryu



BOB: GCH DEN-MAR'S WILD CARD
GCH Skyscot's Texas Hold Em - CH Den-Mar's It Is What It Is Izzy
Breeder: Marie Cato
Owner: Marie Cato and Suzanne Bennett

SEL: COUNTRY GIRL RUBIES ARE RED
GCH Fentondale Rudy Rooster's Rabbit Ridge - CH Country Girl Bon Bon
Breeder/Owner: Linda McCutcheon

SEL/BOBOH: CH FLY'N HIGH'S ROCKET BOOSTER
GCH Fly'n High's Rocket Man - CH Hickory House Fig
Breeder/Owner: Sharon L. Jones

WD: BECLOVE A LITTLE BIT OF MAGIC (open)
CH Foxwood Dreams of Bonclyde - Foxwood's Ace
Reporter of Beclove
Breeder: Johan Bacerra
Owner: Kathryn A. Mines and Johan Becerra

WB/BOW/BOS: PARADYM LAUGHS OUT LOUD (BBE)
Fairewood Forever Blue Jeans - CH Paradym Bet On Black
Breeder/Owner: Kelly Wood

DEVON DOG SHOW ASSOCIATION

October 8, 2016 • Devon, PA

Judge: Ms. Minna-Liisa Koltes



BOB: CH DUNGENESS INSPECTOR BRUNO BY LITTLEFIELD
CH Littlefield Just Let It Ride - Littlefield Veritas Lillian Of Dungeness
Breeder: Elaine Jong, MD; Britt Litchford, MD; and Leandra Little

Owner: Elaine Jong, MD and Britt Litchford, MD

BOS: CH DEN-MAR'S LOADED DECK
GCH Den-Mar's Wild Card - CH Den-Mar's Don't Mess With My Toot Toot
Breeder: Marie Cato and Suzanne Bennett
Owner: Marie Cato & Suzanne Bennett

SEL: CH ITSY BITSY LAWDY MISS CLAWDY
CH Waiterocks Blockbuster - CH Itsy Bitsy Good Golly Miss Molly
Breeder: Tonnie and Jerry Willrich
Owner: Amanda Kozora and Tonnie Willrich

SEL: GCH DEN-MAR'S WILD CARD
GCH Skyscot's Texas Hold 'Em - Ch Den-Mar's It Is What It Is Izzy
Breeder: Marie Cato
Owner: Marie Cato and Suzanne Bennett

WD/BOW: FXHNT JUSLYN FIRST APPEARANCE DECEIVES (BBE)
GCH Bronwyn He's A Heartbreaker - CH FXHNT Keeping Up Appearances
Breeder: Hal Happersett and Roxanne Sutton
Owner: Hal Happersett

WB: BERIC ZOE (BBE)
GCH Beric Russell Square - CH Beric's Scalawag Moon Over Foxwood
Breeder: Nancy Nosiglia and Kathryn Mines
Owner: Nancy Nosiglia

MONTGOMERY COUNTRY KENNEL CLUB

October 9, 2016 • Blue Bell, PA

Sweepstakes Judge: Margaretta (“Missy”) Wood



BSW: VERDANT’S ENTUSIASTA EVITA
(bitch, 12-15 mos)
GCH Den-Mar’s Wild Card - CH Verdant’s Athena.
Breeder: Chee Wai Chen, Cary Trexler, Jamie Putnam, and Edward Rudolph

Owner: Chee Wai Chen and Cary Trexler



BVSW: CH CAMIO’S EDUCATED GUESS
(bitch, 10 years & over)
CH Glendale Guess Again - Camio’s Tempest Of Glendale
Owner/Breeder: Catherine Rogers



BOSW: COUNTRY BOY CLASSIC BLACK BENTLEY (dog, 12-15 mos)
GCH Fentondale Rudy Rooster’s Rabbit Ridge - CH Country Girl Bon Bon
Breeder: Linda McCutcheon

Owner: James J DeMason and Jennifer DeMason



BOSVSW: GCH FLY’N HIGH’S SONIC BOOM
(dog, 7-10 years)
CH Rosecroft Once More - CH Ascot Tiger Lily
Breeder/Owner: Sharon Jones

MONTGOMERY COUNTRY KENNEL CLUB

October 9, 2016

Sweepstakes Judge’s Critique – Margaretta (“Missy”) Wood

[In 1986, Norwich and Norfolk celebrated their 50th Anniversary with enormous fanfare, culminating at Montgomery where I had the honor of judging Norwich Sweeps. Fast forward 30 years to our 80th anniversary and here I again, still standing and still honored to be judging Norwich Sweeps.]

Let me begin by thanking the owners and breeders who exhibited under me. Your lovely entries made my job that much more enjoyable and my decisions that much more difficult.

Good news: coats were excellent. Even with the damp weather they were harsh and dense. Bites get an A+ as well...so often I have had to put a nice dog back a placement or two due to a bad bite, but everyone passed the teeth test, and good for you. Feet looked well padded, despite the wet grass.

Not so good news: Hindquarters still do not please me, and yet so important for so many reasons, including whelping. Eyesome were small and raisin-like; others lacked dark rimming. Watch out for that because a foxy expression is so much a part of our breed. Tails for the most part were good, but some not so well set. If you prefer a natural tail, remember it should be well set on to be considered.

PUPPIES

Best in Sweeps –Verdant’s Enthusiasta Evita

A compact grizzle bitch from the 12-15 month class. Very feminine, yet naughty; a busy, little bee with effortless movement through the wet grass. Good hindquarters, lovely expression and attitude.

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MONTGOMERY COUNTRY KENNEL CLUB continued

October 9, 2016

Sweepstakes Judge’s Critique – Margaretta (“Missy”) Wood

Best of Opposite in Sweeps – Country Boy Classic Black Bentley

A masculine, young male from the 12-15 month class, who covered the ground well, steady mover, pleasing head, just a wee bit high on leg. Should prove to be a good producer.

VETERANS

Many of you know I have always been a sucker for old dogs and now that I am one myself, these veterans really did bring the proverbial lump to my throat when they came into the ring.

Best Veteran – CH Camio’s Educated Guess

From the 10 years and older class!! This perky little black and tan came in like she owned the place. Still had all her teeth, hard coat, sweet head, fit as a fiddle. I loved seeing her have such a good time.

Best of Opposite in Veteran’s Sweeps – CH Fly ’N High’s Sonic Boom

A seven-year-old stallion of a dog in excellent condition, true to type, fantastic rear.

The best news: there wasn’t one entry, young or old, who did not possess that marvelous disposition , that joie de vivre, we have all come to know and love. Breeders give yourself a well deserved pat on the back.

Thanks to all, you made my day. LONG LIVE NORWICH TERRIERS.



Photo credit: Lynn Marshall

April showers bring May flowers

MONTGOMERY COUNTRY KENNEL CLUB

October 9, 2016

Judge: Mr. Peter J. Green



BOB/G1/BIS: GCH TALIESIN TWICE AS NICE
CH Abbedale Brass Tacks -
GCH Abbedale Take Two
At Taliesin
Breeder: Lisa Sons, John
Sons, and Joan Eckert
Owner: Lisa Sons, Kim
Sime and Jeffery Sime



AOM: GCH NORIDGE HOT LIPS HOULLIHAN
GCH Foxwood Chasing a
Dream - Noridge
Marine Brass
Breeder/Owner:
Patricia Warrender



BOS/BBE: CH PARADYM BET ON BLACK
CH Paradym Yarrow Mark
My Words - CH Rexroth
Best Bette At Paradym
Breeder/Owner:
Kelly Wood



AOM: GCH ITSY BITSY THISTLEDOWN FAMILY TIES
GCH Abbedale Life Of
Riley At Glengariff - CH
Itsy Bitsy Still In
The Family
Breeder: Amanda Kozora
and Tonnie Willrich
Owner: Tonnie Willrich,
Amanda Kozora and
Gerard Willrich



SEL DOG: GCH DANCY'S ROUGH RIDER
CH Cobby's Hidden
Treasure - GCH Dancy's
Storm Warning
Breeder/Owner: Nancy
Lentz and Dwain Lentz



WB/BOW: PARADYM LAUGHS OUT LOUD (BBE)
Fairewood Forever Blue
Jeans - CH Paradym Bet
On Black
Breeder/Owner:
Kelly Wood



SEL BITCH: CH CAMIO'S DEFYING GRAVITY
GCH Camio's Educated
Exemplar - CH Camio's
Educated Enchantress
Breeder/Owner:
Catherine A Rogers

MONTGOMERY COUNTRY KENNEL CLUB continued

October 9, 2016

Judge: Mr. Peter J. Green



WD: COUNTRY BOY CLASSIC BLACK BENTLEY (12-15 mos)
GCH Fentondale Rudy
Rooster's Rabbit Ridge -
CH Country Girl Bon Bon
Breeder: Linda
McCutcheon
Owner: James J DeMason
and Jennifer DeMason



RWD: COVENTRY'S CAROLINA SLAM DUNK
(9-12 mos)
GCH Dreamweaver Up
The Ante @ Coventry -
GCH Coventry's
Black Pearl
Breeder: Dale Martins and
Timothy Irwin Martins
Owner: Michele L Causey



RWB: ITSY BITSY SHE'S A FIRECRACKER
(12-15 mos)
GCH Thunderwood's
First Robin Of Spring
- CH Carillon's Great
Celebration At Itsy Bitsy
Breeder/Owner: Tonnie
and Gerard Willrich

Stud Dog: GCH DEN-MAR'S WILD CARD
GCH Skyscot's Texas Hold 'Em - CH Den-Mar's
It Is What It Izzy
Breeder: Marie Cato
Owner: Marie Cato & Suzanne Bennett



Brood Bitch: CH KILYKA'S RARE BIRD ALERT NA NAJ CDX
GCH Fly'N High's
Sonic Boom - CH
Kilyka's Witch Hazel
UD NAP NJP
Breeder/Owner:
Betty McDonnell

MONTGOMERY COUNTRY KENNEL CLUB

October 9, 2016

Judge’s Critique – Mr. Peter J. Green

It was indeed an honor to judge an entry of 104 Norwich Terriers at the Montgomery County Show. The weather was kind so I hope everyone had a good time as I certainly enjoyed judging such a grand entry. The Best of Breed dog going on to Best in Show was quite an achievement.

The Best of Breed Class was especially gratifying. There were 40 dogs entered, 2 move-ups and only three absent. I’m sure I’ve never seen a better group of better Norwich in my life. The quality was amazing as there many I’d be pleased to own that went away without a ribbon. This class was amazing for the depth of quality.

Best of Breed: GCH Taliesin Twice as Nice — Stallion of a dog in super condition. Harsh thick coat and sound as a bell. Good type dog with a keen expression. Every time I looked at him he was on his toes. Super head and nice dark eye. Good through neck and shoulders, topline and tail set. He has a keen expression, strong head with good eye. Lovely through his neck and shoulder, good bone with tight feet. Short body with high tail set and strong hind quarter. Moves and shows well. Credit to his handler, Susan Depew who took him through to Best in Show.

Best of Winners: Paradym Laughs Out Loud — see below winner’s Bitch.

Best of Opposite Sex: CH Paradym Bet on Black — Beautiful type and condition. Short body with a great head and expres-sion. Her coat was in prime condition. Short coupled with good tail set. Did not put a foot wrong when moving.

Select Dog: GCH Dancy’s Rough Rider

Select Bitch: CH Camio’s Defying Gravity

AOM: GCH Itsy Bitsy Thistledown Family Ties and GCH Noridge Hot Lips Houllihan

Winner’s Dog: Country Boy Classic Black Bentley — Fourteen Months old B/T short body with a harsh B/T coat, lovely head and expression, shows and moves well.

Reserve Winner’s Dog: Coventry’s Carolina Slam Dunk— Lovely size with very good coat. Lovely head and expression. Short body with good tail set. Shows and moves well. Should have a good future.

Winners Bitch/Best of Winners: Paradym Laughs Out Loud — In good condition. Very short body. Good shaped head with good eye, neat ears and good expression. Very good front legs, short coupled body and good movement.

Reserve Winner’s Bitch: Itsy Bitsy She’s a Firecracker — Lovely size with an excellent coat. Nice head with good expression. Good bone, legs and feet. Short body with good tail set and hind quarters

MONTGOMERY COUNTRY KENNEL CLUB

October 9, 2016

Junior Showmanship Judge: Ms. Patricia Anne Keenan

Junior Showmanship, Reserve Best in Show:

AMY GRACE CLARK

Showing her dog GCH SHO-ME MISCHIEF

GCH Fishback Hard Tap - Miller’s Sho-Me Polished Amber

Breeder: Fran Westfall and Susan Miller Hall

Owner: Amy Grace Clark and Fran Westfall



MONTGOMERY COUNTRY KENNEL CLUB

October 9, 2016

BIS Judge’s Critique – Dan Ericson

Thank you to Montgomery County Kennel Club Best in Show judge Dan Ericsson (Sweden) for allowing the *Norwich Terrier News* to include his comments about this year’s judging. An excerpt of his comments are below.

-Eds.

To say that I was excited when I received an invitation to judge BIS at the famous Montgomery Terrier Show in Philadelphia, USA, is an understatement. Ever since I opened the magic envelope with my invitation I had been looking forward to the show with great anticipation, and it proved to be as exciting as I had hoped. Sunday morning started with rain which, however, eased off during the day and by the time it was time for the finals, the sun shone brightly and the ring was dry thanks to the wind. A very large crowd stayed to watch the judging and the atmosphere round the ring was that of great excitement.

I had a full group of winning terriers to judge with the excep-tion of the Manchester terrier. There was only one entry in the breed, so perhaps he failed to make BOB. America also sports a few breeds unknown to the UK, e.g. the American Hairless Terrier and a few other less known breeds, and it was interest-ing to see the winners and be able to examine them closely.

After initial examination, I selected eight top-class Terriers for a further look, namely the Welsh Terrier, the West Highland White Terrier, the Norfolk Terrier, the Wire Fox terrier, the Norwich Terrier, the Cairn, the Airedale and finally the Parson Russell Terrier. I liked them all very much and very little separated them. After looking at them once again and moving them as second time , there was however very little doubt in my mind that BIS should go to the outstanding little Norwich Terrier CH Taliesin Twice as Nice looking, moving and showing perfectly. My eyes were drawn to him when he first entered the ring and I was itching to get my hands on him and I was not disappointed. A wonderful dog teeming with type presented in immaculate coat and condition displaying soundness, type and true terrier spirit. It gave me great pleasure in awarding him BIS to thunderous applause...

... Many thanks to the committee for the honour of judging at this famous show with an entry of no less than 1489 terriers, and my appreciation also to the exhibitors for showing dogs of such quality and for accepting my placings so sportingly.

-Dan Ericsson



Puppy love

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MONTGOMERY COUNTRY KENNEL CLUB BIS HISTORY

This year's Montgomery County Kennel Club (MCKC) show was an historical one for our breed. Since the first MCKC show in 1929, a Norwich Terrier has only won the prestigious Best in Show award four times (1990, 1992, 1993 and 1997). GCH Taliesin Twice As Nice joined the ranks of CH Thrumpton's Lord Brady, CH Chidley Willum The Conqueror, and CH Fairewood Frolic by winning the fifth Best in Show at MCKC for our Norwich Terrier breed. It is all the more fitting that Mr. Peter Green was the handler for the first four Norwich MCKC BIS, and the breed judge who chose the fifth to move onto BIS. To celebrate the occasion, we are featuring the winning photos of all MCKC BIS winners below (historical photos courtesy of Montgomery County Kennel Club archives).

Congratulations to Tanner's breeders, owners and handler, they are in fine company.

BIS Judge: Bob Moore



CH Thrumpton's Lord Brady (1980)

Thrumpton's Lord Trevor - Thrumpton's Lady Timberson
Owner: Ruth Cooper

BIS Judge: Louis Auslander



CH Chidley Willum The Conqueror (1992)

CH Royal Rock Don Of Chidley - Chidley Chestnuthills Sprite

Owner: Ruth Cooper and Patricia Lussier

BIS Judge: Sandra Goose Allen



CH Chidley Willum The Conqueror (1993)

BIS Judge: Kari Jarvinen



CH Fairewood Frolic (1997)

CH Royal Rock Don Of Chidley - CH Long Valley Fairewood Cheers

Owner: Sandina Kennels

BIS Judge: Dan Ericsson



GCH Taliesin Twice as Nice (2016)

CH Abbedale Brass Tacks - GCH Abbedale Take Two At Taliesin

Owner: Lisa Sons, Kim Sime and Jeffery Sime

HOSPITALITY AT MONTGOMERY

October 7-9, 2016

Once again, the weather reports proved ominous for Montgomery weekend, but the weather gods were on our side and other than some rain the morning of Montgomery the sun broke through for most of the judging. Both Hatboro shows had pleasant temperatures and even Devon avoided the bad weather.

Planning for hospitality at Montgomery starts in July and as Hospitality Chair, I would like to acknowledge committee members who joined in the effort this year and gave so much to make the weekend a success: Paula Smith, Ken Sumner, Booth Pohlmann, Joan Graham, Jean Kessler, Bambi Holly, Lisa Sons, Amanda Koroza, Nichola Conroy, Melissa Wells, 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 and auction items. 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 our speaker this year was Stanley ("Lee") Blazejewski, VMD, DAVDC. Dr. Blazejewski, a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania School for Veterinary Medicine, a board-certified Diplomate of The American Veterinary Dental College, and practicing oral surgeon; spoke to us about dental problems in dogs focusing on small breeds.

The NTCA annual awards dinner held Friday, October 7, at our host hotel, the Hilton Garden Inn, was attended by over 100 members and guests who enjoyed browsing the silent auction tables, applauding the accomplishment of fellow NTCA members, and participating in an active and successful live auction in support of the Norwich Terrier Upper Airway Syndrome study. We also had tables set up to display and sell items in support of the NTUAS Study. The total raised that night to support the study was approximately \$3400. Sincere thanks go to our generous members and guests.

Our centerpieces this year were treat jars displaying a whimsical image of a Norwich that was drawn by our own member, Anna Bellenger. We so appreciate Anna's generosity in allowing us to use her image as the logo for the NTUAS study. Custom made ornaments showing a Norwich moving across a map of the USA were offered in recognition of the 80th Anniversary of the first Norwich registered in the American Kennel Club. The "New Title Winners 2016" slide show was once again a

success! Each image was met with enthusiastic cheers, and our little dogs deserved to be applauded for their accomplishments.

Jean Kessler hosted the extraordinary ringside hospitality table – there was nothing to compare to it anywhere on the show grounds! I'm sure people from other rings found their way over to the Norwich ring just to grab a treat from Jean's table. Her gracious presentation is such a big part of the day – it just wouldn't be Montgomery without her apple cake! I am sure everyone appreciates Jean's efforts, but I'd like to add my sincere personal thanks to Jean and her team – Bambi Holly and Pat Mason. As Hospitality Chair it is a great relief to know that Sunday morning is always in good hands.

This year we were again fortunate to benefit from the generosity of members, Ken Sumner and Booth Pohlmann who along with NTCA member Mit Seiler and Marshall Lee hosted a lovely lunch at the show site. The threat of rain hung over the site in the early hours as these four gentlemen battled high wind and an ever changing Judge's schedule to perform 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



Part of the fun of going to Montgomery week is meeting Facebook friends in person! In this picture, Hatsuko Oda of Japan and Elaine Jong of the U.S

NTCA SUPPORTED ENTRY AT GREATER COLLIN KENNEL CLUB

December 10, 2016 • Dallas, TX

Judge: Mrs. Darle Heck

BOB: GCH DEN-MAR'S WILD CARD
GCH Skyscott's Texas Hold 'Em-CH Den-Mar's It Is What It Izzy
Owner: Marie Cato and Suzanne Bennett
Breeder: Marie Cato

SEL: CH ALEGRIA SUZIE SIX-PENCE
GCH Thunderwood's First Robin Of Spring - GCH Itsy Bitsy Pocket Change
Breeder/Owner: Maria Kelley

WB/BOS: SIERRA'S SCOUTIN' OUT THE ROULETTE WHEEL
GCH Skyscott's Texas Hold'Em - GCH Roserock's Little Scout
Owner: Sandee Henderson
Breeder: Ellen Lucas

WD/BOW/BOBOH: WILDE'S ACE UP MY SLEEVE
GCH Skyscot's Poker Chip - GCH Laprele Cherokee Princess
Breeder/Owner: Nancy A Wilde

SEL: GCH DANCY'S ROUGH RIDER
CH Cobby's Hidden Treasure - GCH Dancy's Storm Warning
Breeder/Owner: Nancy and Dwain Lentz

PUBLICATIONS

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.

Back Issues of The Norwich & Norfolk News (NNTC) and The Norwich Terrier News (NTCA). Back copies of the NNTC News from the Fall 1998 through the Fall 2008 issues and of the NTCA News from 2009-2013 are available at a cost of \$6 each from Alison Freehling,1208 Washington Ave., Fredericksburg, VA 22401. The Spring 2003, Spring 2004, Spring and Fall 2005 NNTC News issues are sold out and no longer available. Please make checks payable to NTCA.

New edition of Marjorie Bunting's The Norwich Terrier. Not available from NTCA Notions at this time.

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.

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Leaping out of winter



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Leaping into spring



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See you in the dog days of summer 2017!