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To assure timely publication of the Fall 2014 News, please be sure to meet—or better yet to beat—the September 1 deadline. Thanks for your cooperation.

—Alison Freehling

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Digital photos are appropriate for all sections of the News except the Showfront and New Title Holder sections. Because we crop Showfront and New Title Holder photos so drastically to focus on the dog, they present special problems. If you cannot send the original of a show or NTH photo, please call 859-873-0550 and ask for Sue. The News will take extra care of your originals and return them in a timely manner.

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—Deerhaven Press, printer of the News
From the Editor...

As I write this brief message on March 1 (just made the Spring News deadline! 😊), the Winter of 2013-2014 is not yet over here in north-central Virginia. Freezing rain, sleet and snow are forecast for tomorrow night and the following day, with highs in the low 30s. This winter has definitely been one for the weather record books, with seemingly endless snow, ice and arctic temperatures, especially in the Midwest and Northeast. Hopefully by the time your Spring News arrives in early/mid-April, it will finally be Spring! As a remembrance of the “polar vortex” that has gripped so much of the USA during the past few months, this News has a full page of Norwich photos titled “Scenes from Snowmageddon” that I hope everyone will enjoy now that the last snow bank has (hopefully) given way to green grass and cheerful flowers.

As always, thanks to everyone who contributed articles and photos for this News. In response to my request for candid photos, the News received lots of beguiling images of Norwich puppies and adults—so you may notice that there are more photos than usual in this issue. That’s good news since many people have told me that the candid photos are their favorite part of the News. 😊 There is also an article in General Interest by a talented NTCA artist whose photos have frequently graced the front and back covers as well as interior pages of the News during the past few years. Perhaps her tips will inspire more of you to take more photos of your charming pets and then send them to a future News. 😊

After the winter of all winters, may Norwich fanciers and their active little terriers have a pleasant and productive Spring and Summer.

—Alison Freehling

A Final Note from NTCA President Jean Kessler

As I compose my last President’s letter for the News, the NTCA is a busy group with a lot of positive activities under way. This year's list of accomplishments includes many projects intended to improve our breed and our breed club. Please, do read your mailings to see what’s going on. BE a member, not just in name only. Volunteer for a committee. Bring a new project to the NTCA Board that will make a positive contribution to our dogs, to the membership, or to increase revenue.

When I began in this office four years ago, my goals were to support breed health and to increase the NTCA Treasury. The future of the Norwich Terrier is dependent on health. In order to fund health studies and research, we need funds. Both have shown growth.

Thank you all for the privilege of serving as NTCA President. 2014 marks thirteen years of my service to the club (NNTC and NTCA) as a Board member!

—Jean Kessler, “Luvnors” Norwich, Nokesville, VA (luvnors@aol.com)
AKC Delegate’s Report: Spring 2014

Many have wondered how the AKC determines the dog and bitch counts necessary for attaining conformation points for the different geographic divisions of the USA each year. Divisions are normally a grouping of adjacent states that share the same schedule of point for a breed championship. Calculations take into account the number of dogs in a breed that actually competed during the previous year. There is a percentage count for one and two point wins as well as for three, four, and five point majors. Even though Norwich are not a popular breed, the breed’s point schedule in Division 2 (PA, NJ, DE, and NY) is unnaturally skewed due to the always large entries of the four-day Montgomery weekend. These numbers are so high that, in the past four years, it has not allowed for five point majors in bitches at Montgomery our club’s National Specialty. In two of the past four years, the Winners Dog only earned four points. The recently published point schedule for Division 2 requires 19 Norwich dogs and 24 bitches for five point majors.

The NTCA Board of Directors asked me to investigate the possibility of the AKC no counting Norwich numbers at the two Hatboro shows, Devon, and Montgomery. My search led me to Alan Slay, AKC Director of Event Operations. Although the AKC does not grant exceptions to any one breed club, there is a way already written into current AKC rules an regulations that our club could accomplish its goal. “Independent Parent Club Specialties” o “Designated Parent Club Specialties,” held in conjunction with an all-breed show, are not counted in the computation of dogs competing in a region. Additionally, events held in conjunction with the AKC Eukanuba National Championship (+ 3 days) are not included. So, in reality a careful choice of semantics can bring change to the now-skewed Division 2 point system. If the NTCA chooses to call Hatboro and Devon “Designated Specialties” instead of “Supported Entries,” then these Norwich entries will not be counted. Several other terrier parent clubs have already adopted this system. I will be presenting this proposal to the NTCA Board of Directors at the March meeting in Louisville.

Many owners who train in obedience, particularly owners of Toy breeds and other small dogs such as Norwich, have felt concern for the safety of their dogs with regard to dog-on-dog aggression. Although incidences of attacks in the ring have been rare, the AKC Companion Events Department has reviewed the current rules and regulations and has made recommendations, which the AKC Board of Directors approved in February. These new regulations will go into effect May 1, 2014.

The new regulations should help ensure the safety of all dogs in the group stay exercises in Novice and Open obedience classes. If a dog has non-qualified in an individual exercise an in the opinion of the judge, has demonstrated uncontrolled behavior, the judge must release the dog from the group exercises. In group stays, dogs will be spaced with a minimum of four feet between each dog. If the judge observes any signs of aggression or potential problems as the dogs are assembling for the group exercises, the judge must release all such dogs from the group stay.

These changes should give relief to Norwich owners’ anxiety. In the eyes of many large breeds, a little Norwich may look like an attractive target of prey. We must always be alert for our dogs’ safety, and the AKC has made wise decisions for their protection.

—Betty McDonnell, AKC Delegate, “Kilyka” Norwich, Mahwah, Nj, (kilykanewf@aol.com)
Illustrated Guide to the Standard of Norwich Terriers

The first Illustrated Guide to the Standard of Norwich Terriers was made available to NTCA members during the MCKC National Specialty weekend. This project took two years for the current committee to complete. Although many club members were qualified, I selected three long-time Norwich breeders—Beth Sweigart [Yarrow], Jean Bryant [Fairway], and Sandra Stemmle [Barnstable]—and a talented artist, Cathy Nelson [Pennywise Dandie Dinmonts], who had had prior experience doing drawings for illustrated standards. Our purpose, as stated by Missy Wood in the introduction, was to create a tool “to impart something of value to Norwich breeders, owners, judges, and exhibitors.” We decided that the booklet should be convenient for judges (catalog-size on sturdy paper). Large drawings would focus on the correct Norwich Terrier, and smaller drawings would depict the most common incorrect characteristics. The cover artwork, drawn by NTCA member artist Meredith Dwyer, is a delightful pencil drawing that captures the Norwich personality as Meredith does so well. In fact, we split the drawing to use it on the front and back covers of the booklet.

The official AKC breed standard served as the outline. The expanded text amplifies the official standard. The next step was to draw the ideal Norwich. So, what is the ideal? Some aspects of the standard are clear (“Level topline.”), but there are many modifiers. For example, “Body moderately short.” What exactly is “moderately,” or “slightly,” or “medium?” This proved to be a difficult task with many details to consider. Our committee made lots of changes, which often meant starting over because the drawings were done with a soft pencil on vellum. We were fortunate that Cathy did not fire us! Although more challenging than I had envisioned, the project was ultimately a success, thanks to a dedicated committee, a talented artist, and a supportive NTCA Board.

NTCA members who are listed in the 2013 Directory received one free copy per member household. All AKC Judges licensed to judge Norwich were also mailed a free copy in November. More recently, provisional and AKC judges interested in Norwich were notified, resulting in over 50 requests.

Copies of the Illustrated Standard are available for $10 plus $2.50 postage through Notions at http://norwichterrierclub.org/category/ntca-store or contact our Notions Chair, Patty Warrender at pwnoridge@gmail.com.

—Jane Schubart [Ascot], NTCA Illustrated Standard Committee Chair (ascot.js@gmail.com)
“Happy Hunting Ground”

Beach Pine Sophie of Oakley CGC TDIAOV* TWT*
RE NA NAJ OAP AJP ME VNX
(1998 – 2013)

*Ed.: In case you wondered, the initials TDIAOV and TWT after Sophie’s name stand for, respectively, Therapy Dog International Active Outstanding Volunteer and Tail Wagging Tutor. Both these titles, not recognized by the AKC, are awarded by Therapy Dog International (TDI) to certified therapy dogs whose owners have filled out and sent to TDI paperwork showing that their dogs have made 150 or more visits to hospitals, nursing homes, schools and other similar venues. Ursula Walsh’s local school district requires a TWT title for their “reading dogs.” —AGF

“Sophie” was our first Norwich. She was red and very small—maybe 10 and a half pounds as an adult—but she blazed a big trail through our hearts and touched the lives of many others as a Therapy Dog and a Tail Wagging Tutor. For years she regularly visited residents at a local nursing home and helped third graders in our school district learn to love reading! My husband Bill and I took her everywhere when we were driving in our horse carriage or traveling by car to Chicago, Savannah, Charleston, New York and Florida. She actually stopped traffic on one of Savannah’s famous squares because when people would spot her, they couldn’t resist stopping to say, “She is so beautiful—what kind of dog is that?” followed by, “May I pet her?,” and finally, “Where can I find a dog like this?”

I bred her twice and she had two puppies, both singletons. She delivered that first puppy all by herself with minimal supervision from Bill and me, but she lost the second one two years later. She was puzzled and bereft, looking everywhere for that puppy. She ultimately “adopted” a fuzzy little toy hedgehog and kept it constantly at her side until she “weaned” it at the age of five weeks.

After that sad episode, four-year-old Sophie started her performance career with agility. She did well, although in the beginning she worried and stressed at trials. Her agility career was interrupted when she was diagnosed with a portosystemic liver shunt, which required surgical repair if she were to survive. To our great relief, her surgery was successful and she went on to win many agility titles, although it was never her favorite sport. Shortly after I started my second Norwich in agility, Sophie let me know she’d had enough and retired herself. However, that was not the end of her performance career. At a month shy of eleven years, she quickly progressed up the Rally ladder and finished with the Rally Excellent Title.

The performance sport she loved best was Earth Dog. She was a great little hunter and was dubbed “The Sophinator” by my Earth Dog friends. At the age of twelve, she became the second Norwich Terrier in many years to earn the coveted AKC Master Earth Dog title (ME).
She liked the first part of the ME test, called the “Hunt Up,” best. My heart was always in my mouth during this phase because if she rustled up a critter out in the field, I knew she would take off after it in hot pursuit. While at an Earth Dog test on the Eastern Shore of Maryland, Sophie and her brace mate, a Norfolk Terrier, had a great time doing exactly that! To see the two of them working together on live quarry was quite something. Unfortunately, the Earth Dog judge was not impressed.

In 2010, Sophie was recognized by the NTCA for her many accomplishments with the club’s Versatility Excellent Award. She became part of an exclusive group of three Norwich to have earned the VNX.

After she retired, Sophie transferred her allegiance to my husband, Bill. Her devotion to him was total. When he died in 2012, she spent most of her days in our bedroom, sleeping on a rug on the floor next to his side of our bed. She was almost fourteen by then. Her mottle eyebrows and dainty mahogany ears were brushed with snow and she was noticeably slowing down. Diagnosed with renal failure at fourteen years old, she did well for a time on a special diet, but then started a rapid decline about five months later. I took her to the vet for the last time in December, 2013, when she was a month over fifteen years. She died like the lady she was, going gently into that dark night. I know she never hesitated at the Rainbow Bridge, except perhaps, to check and see if there might be any interesting critters hiding beneath it. I believe she was on a mission. In my mind’s eye, I see her trotting determinedly across that Bridge and running to greet Bill on the other side.

—Ursula Walsh, “Beach Pine” Norwich, Pinehurst, NC (urthenurse@nc.rr.com)

Author's note: Sophie had one more thing to accomplish after she died. Her body was sent to Dr. Chris Zink to become part of the NTCA’s “Legacy of Love” study.

St. Patrick’s Day leprechauns (l. to r.) “Libby,” “Augie” and “Paige” Laffey
The NTCA "History Matters" Luncheon and Discussion: MCKC 2013 Weekend

More than seventy-five Norwich breeders, owners, spouses and friends attended the NTCA "History Matters" luncheon and discussion on Saturday October 5, 2013 at the MCKC host hotel. Special guests included six NTCA breeders, all with many decades in the breed. The format was an informal discussion with lots of questions and answers. We asked the six breeders about their first Norwich, their mentors, favorite dogs and shows, concerns about the breed, and more. Wha follows is an introduction to each of these long-time, dedicated breeders.

**Georgia Rose Crompton (Long Valley).** Georgia grew up with Norwich, her grandmother (Nancy Rockefeller) having bred them under the kennel name Dungeness. Georgia's parents also had two Norwich, one from Dungeness and one from Wheatnor kennels in England. In 1973, as a young child, Georgia got her very own Norwich, Chidle Nancy of Dungeness, from Joan Read. "Nannie" was a pet, but Georgia showed her for fun at the NNTC match show and at local shows. Her second Norwich, Ch. Chidle Stillman, also a pet, won the NNTC National Specialty in 1983. Georgia was most influenced by her grandmother's love and knowledge of Norwich and her common sense about showing, breeding, and the breed in general. Her second most important mentor was Peter Green, whose "brutal honesty" evaluating litters was invaluable, although not always what Georgia wanted to hear.

**Carol Hoyler Jordan (Norweim).** Carol was raised on a farm with horses, dogs, and lots of animals. After moving to a suburban community when she was ten years old, she would bike to a nearby stable to visit the horses, and there she met a Norwich named Pemberton Jenny White. Carol emptied her savings account to buy "Jenny" for $75. The year was 1954. Two years later, she returned to Pemberton (Mr. & Mrs. Dean Bedford) and bred Jenny. Only one puppy survived, but Carol didn't give up. She met Norwich breeders at shows, including Mrs. Emory Alexander (Longways), Mr. Howe Lowe (Upland Spring), and Mrs. Annett Griffiths (Shawnee), who encouraged and helped her. She also met terrier handlers such as Robert Brumby and Peter Green, who gave her grooming tips and evaluated her puppies. Carol [then Hoyler] was the first Norwich breeder to breed and pt an obedience title (CD) on a Norwich (Norweim Beau Jem, born in 1956).

**Knowlton Reyners (Highwood).** Nonie's mother introduced Norwich to the household when Nonie was ten years old and also gave Nonie one as a wedding present in 1961. In 1983, she gave Nonie another Norwich, Highwood's Great Gatsby. As luck would have it, Peter Green saw the puppy and encouraged Nonie to show him. Local handling classes followed, and then back-to-back 5-point majors at a NNTC National Specialty (Bucks County). Nonie says, "Things were never quite the same after that." She credits Joan Read (Chidle) with being her most influential mentor. Nonie's "Ratty" (Ch. Highwood's Ratfaced McDougal) is the breed's second most prolific sire of Norwich breed champions (51), second only to his grandfather Ch. Royal Rock Don of Chidle (91). Nonie has finished twenty-five Norwich from the Bred-by-Exhibitor class, her most recent one being in 2013.

**Sandra Stemmle (Barnstable).** Sandra has had Norwich since the early 1970s. After unsuccessfully combing the east coast for a puppy, she went to Glenn Wills (Todwil) in Carbondale, IL. Glenn had both Norwich and Norfolk, as the breeds had not yet been divided. He brought a Norwich puppy to a dog show for Sandra to look at... and what novice would say "no"? Sandra purchased future Champion Todwil's Bold Jeffco, who, she says, was not the best example of the breed; but
he finished, and she was hooked! Glenn was a good mentor, full of bits of information of all kinds and happy to show her how to groom—which in those days was truly grooming a “natural” coat. In 1983, Sandra’s Ch. Todwil’s Tennessee Pride (Rummy) won a Best in Show, something very unusual for a Norwich in those days.

Patty Warrender (Noridge). Patty’s first Norwich “Spicey” was a gift from her mother in 1954. Patty had no aspirations beyond enjoying her beloved pet. After Spicey passed away at an advanced age, Patty had other Norwich and, at some point, decided to breed a litter. She bred her bitch bisquit to a top show dog that was with Beth Sweigart. Bisquit free-whelped four puppies in Patty’s lap that were then placed in a wicker laundry basket. Patty would like to see more attention given to the reproduction problems that have evolved in Norwich. Over the years, she has enjoyed dog shows as a place to see the top show dogs, but for Patty, the dog shows are a means to an end. Her desire is to breed Norwich that represent the best qualities of the breed after raising puppies to become well socialized, confident adults. Her most memorable Specialty was MCKC 2013 where her homebred “Maggie” won Winners Bitch and Best Bred-by, the first Norwich Patty has exclusively handled herself.

Margaretta Wood (Terrapin). Missy was also born into a world of dog owners. Her Aunt Grace always had a few Jonesys nipping at her heels and gave Missy her first Norwich, River Bend Alec, in 1966. (Ed.: Norwich in the early days were often called “Jones Terriers” after U.K. breeder Frank Roughrider "Jones.”) When Alec was getting up in years, Missy acquired a second Norwich, Shawnee’s Wicket Keep, whom she grudgingly showed to his championship for his breeder, Mrs. Annette Griffiths. Missy’s mentors include her mother Patsy Wood, a Sealyham breeder for some 60 years, and Norwich/Norfolk breeder Constance Larabee (King’s Prevention), who taught her grooming, handling, conditioning. Missy recalls that shows were a lark for Constance. She would say, “Now Margaretta, don’t take things too seriously. We’re just here to have some fun.”

These six “History Matters” profiles are just a preview. Pam Seifert (NTCA Webmaster) is constructing a new Norwich History section for the club’s website where she plans to post the Q&A summary for each of these breeders. The website will also include many more long-time Norwich breeders, as well as old photos. We are so fortunate to have such depth of knowledge about Norwich from breeders with years and years of experience to share. Be sure to check out the NTCA website at www.norwichterrierclub.org.

—Jane Schubart, “Ascot” Norwich, Linglestown, PA (ascot.js@gmail.com)

Sit, Stay, Smile: Tips on Photographing Norwich Terriers

(Ed.: During the past few years, News readers may have noticed the name Brennie Brackett next to many of the photo credits on the front and back covers as well as the inside pages of every issue. For the Spring 2014 News, Brennie sent so many exceptional Norwich photos that News’ photo guru Sharman Pepper remarked that her photos were of professional calendar quality. Sharman and I are lucky to see Brennie’s photos on our monitors in large size and in full color rather than in News-sized black and white. [Being News editor does have some perks. ☺] So for this issue, I asked Brennie to share some tips on photographing Norwich with other owners who may be interested in improving the quality of their pictures.—AGF)
When Alison asked if I would write an article on photographing Norwich, my immediate reaction was I had little expertise to share. Though I have taken a rare photography class in the distant past, I quickly forgot anything of value from learning about shutter speeds, ISO numbers, and aperture settings. As I started writing this article, however, I soon realized that the past twelve years as a parent to a trio of Norwich is qualification enough and has led to countless opportunities to capture them in all phases of their raunchy and humorous lives. As a professional artist specializing in pastels, the task should have been relatively simple since my favorite digital camera (a SLR Canon EOS 20D with a zoom 17-85mm lens) is an integral part of my art process. However, each time I pick up my camera to take photos of the dogs, I am reminded of how challenging and frustrating it can be to try to manage their movements, capture their best expressions, consider angle, composition and exposure and also present the entire process to the dogs as a really fun game they wouldn't want to miss! Some of the same basic rules that apply to creating art also apply to taking successful photos, so let me share with you a few that will hopefully make the process easier and the results captivatingly beautiful.

PLAN AHEAD. Assuming you have graduated from film to a digital camera, make sure your batteries are fully charged. The dogs will quickly lose their enthusiasm if you make them wait mid-session while you swap out batteries. Select a location, keeping in mind that the best backgrounds are simple and complimentary. If you are shooting inside, try to limit distractions, and turn off your flash. If using artificial lighting, setting it behind or to the side of the subject is the most flattering. Take pictures without the flash by increasing the ambient lighting, opening up the lens aperture or reducing the shutter speed. Better yet, go outdoors in the early morning or late afternoon when the lighting is soft. A slightly overcast day works best as the light is diffused and dark shadows are not as harsh. Photographing in full shade works well if it is even, not dappled. You might want to use flash fill in deep shade.

PROPS and POSING. Placing your dog on something high will help restrain the dog without the use of a leash, but be sure it is high enough to deter any ambitious thoughts of jumping down. Counters, chairs, stools, and tables work well indoors. Teaming up with a helper who can act as a spotter makes the whole process easier and safer. All my Norwich have a good foundation in Rally Obedience and Agility that definitely encourages them to stay put. Training and competing were approached with a playful, fun attitude, which paid off in quickly obtaining titles. As Norwich are exceptionally bright and food motivated, I find them very easy to train as long as the sessions are kept fun and rewarding. Teaching the “wait” command is probably the most valuable tool you can have when it comes to photographing your dog. It's simple to teach when you release them from a crate, open a door to the yard or go to harness them for a walk. I use it often when my Norwich get too far ahead of me on an off-leash walk. I holler “Wait” and they stop in their tracks and look back at me for further instructions (most of the time 😉). Another technique is to keep moving with them; they will eventually lose interest in you and the camera and that is when you start shooting. Let them wander off and then use a squeaky toy or word that will turn their attention back to you and the camera. You have to be ready to shoot just at that moment. Improvise to determine what works best for you and your dog's personality.

READY, SET, GO. You will only have a few minutes to keep your dog's attention and capture his best expression. Work fast and keep it fun and interesting for the dog. You want his ears up and his eyes looking directly at the camera lens. Save the silly noises and squeaky toys for the moment you squeeze the shutter release. I tease our dogs with familiar phrases to get them animated. Some of their favorites are “Do you want a treat?” “Are you ready for dinner?” “Where’s the squirrel?”
Papa’s home”. This chatter never fails to get their ears up and adds that special sparkle to their expressions. And yes, by all means, reward with high value treats to keep them interested and looking forward to more fun. Hold the treat just above the camera lens and that is where they will look. Most importantly, these sessions need to be kept fun, short and positive; so if they tire or seem bored, quit and try again another time.

CLOSE IS GOOD. Zoom in and fill the frame with your subject. Shoot at the dog’s eye level and focus on his eyes. If you know more than I do about shutter speed and aperture, take the time to set those priorities in advance. I prefer to shoot in FULL MANUAL MODE and if there are corrections to make in exposure, composition or focus, I do those changes later using editing software such as Adobe Photoshop Elements, Adobe Photoshop Lightroom, Corel Paintshop or whatever your digital camera came with. There are a multitude of editing apps you can download free from the internet. Multiple shot (continuous mode) is a great setting to use when photographing animals, as the rapid firing of sequential shots is a sure way to get something you like. If your camera has a sports setting (sets camera at a faster shutter speed), it can be useful when dogs are running on the beach or in a park. All digital cameras come with editing software. Take some time to play with your pictures in these editing programs and you will find you can turn an ordinary photo into an extraordinary one. Most often, the photos I take need some adjustment and the results can be enormously rewarding. You can easily change the composition, adjust the lighting and color, add special effects with filters, even adjust a dropped ear or tail into the proper position.

Above all, be patient and have fun. If you take enough pictures, you will surely end up with several worthy of saving and you will never regret having spent the time looking through the lens at your wonderfully witty and photogenic Norwich. And when you have created those wonderful pictures, think of sending them to The News to share with the rest of us. HAPPY SHOOTING!!

—Brennie Brackett, Sonoma, CA (brenbrackett@gmail.com)
Author’s note: NTCA member Brennie Brackett and her husband Larry live in Sonoma, CA with their three Castle-Bar Norwich: Ch. Castle-Bar Niles of Stonehaven RAE, CGC (age 3), Castle-Bar Daphne of Stonehaven RAE2, AX, AXJ, CGC (age 9), and Castle-Bar Harley of Stonehaven RAE, OA, OAJ, CGC (age 12). Commenting on two of her photos, Brennie notes that “The photograph of Daphne on a chair illustrates many of the points I made in the article. I took it in the front hall of our home. The light coming from a large French door lit the scene evenly and softly and a flash was not necessary. Daphne looks comfortable, animated and happy to be the center of attention. The chair kept her in position and the red throw added just the right “pop” to make the composition interesting. . . . The photo of Halloween Ma and Pa below was shot in front of my art studio. What really made that photo special was Daphne’s position, glancing over her shoulder. The Sit/Stay command she learned from obedience training worked in my favor as she turned to look at me, but kept her bottom planted where I had positioned her.”

If you want to learn more about Brennie’s artwork, please visit her website at www.brenniebrackett.com

Online Norwich Pedigree Database

Ed. This is an update of Blair Kelly’s article in the Spring 2011 News. —AGF

My online Norwich pedigree database at http://shaksperrnorwich.net/pedigreedb/ now contains over 25,000 Norwich. All entries come from “original sources”—either a registry’s stud books or a report issued by the registry. Each entry also lists the source of the information. With minor holes, my database is “complete” for Norwich Terriers registered with the American Kennel Club (AKC), The Kennel Club (UK), the Canadian Kennel Club (CKC), the German Kennel Club, and the Swiss Kennel Club. My thanks to NTCA member Helene Gisin (Little
ramont) for providing me with photos of the German and Swiss stud books. I also have some reports on Norwich from Austria, France, Finland, Italy, New Zealand, and Sweden. Finland and Sweden make their electronic registry data available on the Internet, so information about their dogs born since about the 1990s is easily available.

With the exception of the AKC, every other registry lists all their registered dogs in their stud books. The AKC stopped doing so in 1952, when the AKC stud books became too large. Since 1952, the AKC only lists dogs in the AKC stud books that have sired or whelped a litter. Their rationale is that these dogs and bitches are the only ones that will show up in pedigrees. The AKC stud books are publicly available at the AKC library in New York City.

Information about all other dogs in the AKC registry is available—for a price and only if you know the registered name of the dog. So when I say that my database is “complete” for AKC, I mean that I have the information from the AKC stud books. I currently get to the AKC library approximately twice a year to photograph the Norwich entries in recent stud books. So, if you look up your AKC-registered Norwich in my database and he or she is not there, it could be because your Norwich has never sired or whelped a litter—or because he or she has not yet appeared in a stud book available at the AKC library. If you would like me to add your Norwich to my database, just email me a photo of something from the AKC that shows the dog’s parentage. It is easiest just to take a photo of your dog’s registration slip with your smart phone and email me the photo. Besides traditional three and four generation pedigrees, my database will allow you to get up to a 10-generation “ahntafel” pedigree. For a particular dog, you can look up the immediate descendents—or all the descendents—listed in my database. Additionally, my software will calculate the relationship of any two Norwich in my database, as well as give their common ancestor. For example, did you know that “Pemberton Trot-On” and “Upland Spring Turkey” are second cousins once removed? “Farnon Randolph” is their common ancestor. He is the great grandfather of “Pemberton Trot-On” and the great-great grandfather of “Upland Spring Turkey.” “Pemberton Trot-On” and “Upland Spring Turkey” won BOB at the 1962 and 1965 Montgomerys, respectively.

For Norwich whose primary lens luxation (PLL) DNA test result is listed on the Orthopedic Foundation for Animals(OFA) website (www.offa.org), my database incorporates that information and calculates “clear by descent” for those whose parents are both PLL-clear. The OFA will not list the result of a coat length DNA test, since being a “fluffy” is not a health issue. However, the fluffy DNA status is of interest to breeders, so, as a service to the Norwich community, I now list the fluffy status of dogs in my database where such information is made available to me. To add your dog’s fluffy status to my database, just send me a photo of the dog’s coat length DNA test. Or, if you are the owner of a fluffy, an email stating that your dog is a fluffy will suffice. Again, my database calculates “clear by descent” for those whose parents are both fluffy-clear.

I am continuing to add Norwich to my database. Help from overseas NTCA members (or those with overseas contacts) to get photographs of the Norwich entries in other registries’ stud books is greatly appreciated. Suggestions on how I can make my database more useful are always welcome.

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New, Award-Winning Book Edited by NTCA Member Dr. Chris Zink

*Canine Sports Medicine and Rehabilitation*, edited by NTCA member Chris Zink, DVM and Janet B. Van Dyke, has won the very competitive category of Best Book on Health and Genera Care in the Dog Writers Association of America annual writing competition.

*Canine Sports Medicine and Rehabilitation* is a gold-standard, comprehensive reference on all aspects of sports medicine and rehabilitation for all breeds of dogs. Written by an outstanding group of leaders in the field, the book covers topics ranging from biomechanics, exercise physiology, nutrition, and common orthopedic conditions of the canine athlete to in-depth rehabilitation and integrative therapies for all dogs. Each chapter includes case studies and numerous color images to demonstrate the concepts discussed.

Encompassing basic science and integrated veterinary and physical therapy approaches, *Canine Sports Medicine and Rehabilitation* is a complete resource for veterinarians, physical therapists, veterinary technicians and anyone interested in working with canine athletes or in offering rehabilitation therapy in their practice. You can get this $100 book at Amazon for only $80.

—Carlynn Ricks, San Antonio, TX (carlynrricks@earthlink.net)

*There's "Magic" in the air!*
BREED HEALTH

NTCA Health Committee Report: “The UAS Questionnaire for Breeders”

Upper Airways Syndrome (UAS) refers to various anatomical abnormalities of the upper respiratory tract, often affecting Norwich Terriers’ ability to breathe normally, especially in hot and humid weather or during strenuous exercise. There is no standardized test for UAS. There has been only one scientific study of the disease, conducted in Switzerland at the University of Berne in 2004. The study has not been peer reviewed or published. The authors generously shared their unpublished paper with our club for informational purposes only. The researchers who worked on the Berne study designed a scoring system for UAS requiring a diagnostic endoscopy performed under anesthesia and evaluated by their team. The scoring chart assigned numerical values to various parts of the dog’s upper respiratory tract being tested (from 0 for normal to 3 for severely affected) and used a different multiplier for different anatomical areas. The highest multipliers were used for everted laryngeal sacculles and elongated soft palates. In other words, abnormalities in those areas are considered to contribute the most to the severity of UAS in the Norwich breed.

Many American breeders have screened their breeding dogs for UAS with an endoscopy by their local veterinary specialists. Given the lack of any standardized scoring method, the test interpretation and test methods vary widely. Some specialists, for example, insist on stimulating soft tissue during the procedure, either mechanically or by injecting Doprilm (Doxapram hydrochloride) into the larynx area, while others perform the endoscopy without any additional stimulation. The equipment used varies widely as well, from state-of-the-art units with perfectly calibrated LED lighting, high resolution scopes and large magnification monitors, to stand-alone, non-digital endoscopes with much lower magnification and a diminished image quality. As a result, often the tests are not of an equal standard. The invasiveness and cost of the procedure understandably add to the reluctance of many breeders to use diagnostic endoscopy as a pre-breeding test. These screenings have not been very popular or practical.

The NTCA Health Committee has spent the last few years working to organize a genetic study of Upper Airway Syndrome in Norwich Terriers. Finding genetic markers for the disease would give us what we really need, but, unfortunately, it is not on the near horizon. Even though we have found a wonderful research partner for our study in Dr. Jeff Schonebeck of the National Institutes of Health and have advanced the study considerably in the last three years, a commercially available test for UAS is years away. The recent setback due to the AKC Canine Health Foundation’s rejection of our club’s grant application (“study too breed specific”) introduced a further delay in the DNA study. As we regroup and reorganize the genetic study, we have already started efforts to devise alternative methods of pre-screening for UAS. NTCA member Dr. Chris Zink of Johns Hopkins University veterinary school, is conducting a pilot test for the use of a digital oximeter to evaluate blood oxygenation at rest and post-exercise as a possible means of standardized testing for UAS in Norwich Terriers.

While that study is on the way, the NTCA health committee has turned its attention to creating a simple, self-reporting test for breeders, based on observable UAS symptoms. The genesis of “The UAS Questionnaire for Breeders” was a conversation I had with a long-time Norwich breeder, who, in describing a stud she had used, did not know answers to my questions about UAS symptoms this sire may or may not exhibit. Her response to my questions was that she had never thought to ask those things. This is the moment when a light bulb went off in my head. It is not customary to ask symptom by symptom, but such information would be very helpful to breeders.

I call the breeders’ UAS form a “kludge.” It is a word for a solution to a problem that is not ideal, but that works well. It is defined as inelegant and intended as a temporary fix, to be simple but effective.
How to use the form:

The UAS questionnaire is to be used privately by Norwich Terrier breeders. There is no need to return the form to the NTCA health committee or to disclose it to anyone, other than to an owner of the dog you intend to breed your dog to. All you do is answer the questions very truthfully, add the score and read the interpretation. There is no policing involved or judgment of others, so please be accurate in your answers. It is imperative to score all siblings of the dog you consider breeding. Use the average score of the litter your dog came from as a score you would assign to your dog as a “breeding score.”

Using this form has the advantage of easily scoring entire litters, not to mention avoiding the cost and invasiveness of an endoscopy procedure as a pre-breeding test. We believe that the scoring system derived through symptom self-reporting can be a simple, yet powerful tool for breeders. Please use it as a private tool for aiding you in your breeding decisions only. It is obviously not intended as a substitute for veterinary diagnosis of UAS for affected dogs that need veterinary intervention.

Is every question on the form important?

Every question is there for a reason. Let us take the example of reverse sneezing. This condition in a Norwich is often linked to an elongated soft palate. The epiglottis gets trapped behind the elongated soft palate, making it so that the dog cannot get air. Plugging the nostrils corrects the condition by creating positive pressure in the upper airway, which blows up the pharynx and pops the epiglottis back in place on the right side of the soft palate.

The way the scoring is designed is that if you select occasional reverse sneezing and all other answers scoring 1, then the total numbers are considered “minimal.” It is important, however, to recognize that reverse sneezing is a symptom. We are not saying that dogs that ever reverse sneeze often should not be bred. We are simply alerting breeders to the fact that reverse sneezing usually signifies some abnormality. Even when it is related to a foreign object trapped in the glottal area, the very trapping of foreign objects is usually related to an elongated soft palate.

And let’s not forget the importance of viewing entire litters rather than individual dogs. One dog reverse sneezes only on a show lead, and all siblings never do, your average scoring of the litter will indicate that it is not a big concern. But should you find out that all pet siblings, without tightening of show leads on their necks, reverse sneeze from time to time, maybe it is time to shorten those slightly elongated palates.

Scoring has been very carefully considered and reflects the importance of each answer. Similar to the method used by the authors of the Swiss study, we have considered symptoms linked to various aspects of anatomical abnormalities and have reflected the importance of various symptoms in the point system. For example, snoring and reverse sneezing can be a sign of the same physical abnormality, but the existence of both symptoms works as a multiplier in our scoring system. Episodes of cyanosis (a dog gasping for air while its tongue is turning gray/blue) have intentionally higher scores.

Please remember that UAS is a progressive condition. Every time you consider a breeding, even if it is a repeat breeding, please take the time to ask the same questions again. New symptoms might surface over time. Beware of doubling up on the same symptoms in your breeding pair, even if those symptoms score relatively low.

We hope you will find this form useful both in pairing dogs and in keeping track of UAS in your line from generation to generation.

My most sincere gratitude to Dr. Chris Zink for co-authoring the UAS breeder questionnaire and to all members of the NTCA Health Committee for their contribution to this project.

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(November 2013)
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**UAS QUESTIONNAIRE FOR BREEDERS**

**Instructions:** Circle one answer for each question. If the dog has had corrective surgery for UAS, answer the questions using the dog’s symptoms prior to the surgery. Record your scores in the box below.

Please note that question E intentionally has higher scores.

A. Does your dog ever snore when sleeping?
   - Never – 1
   - Sometimes – 2
   - Often – 3
   - Always – 4

B. Describe your dog’s heat tolerance.
   - Excellent heat tolerance – 1
   - Pants excessively in hot/humid weather – 2
   - Pants excessively in moderate weather – 3
   - Pants most of the time – 4

C. Describe your dog’s panting noise.
   - Almost voiceless – 1
   - Loud – 2
   - Very loud and raspy – 3
   - Very loud and raspy accompanied by occasional gagging/coughing – 4

D. Does your dog ever reverse sneeze?
   - Never – 1
   - Occasionally – 2
   - Often – 3
   - Very often – 4

E. Has your dog ever experienced an episode of cyanosis (a "breathing episode" in which the tongue loses its pink coloring and turns a bluish/gray color)?
   - Never – 1
   - Once – 3
   - More often than once – 4
   - Every time the dog is overheated/ barks excessively/ stressed out – 5

**Question Score**

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**Meaning of Total Scores:**

5 – The dog does not exhibit any symptoms of UAS, although the anatomical abnormality might still exist.

7 – The dog has minimal symptoms.

10 – The dog has moderate UAS.

1 or more – Reason for concern. Do not breed this dog.

**Any dog with a score of 11 or higher should not be bred. Any dog scoring 4 or 5 for any single answer should not be bred.**

Ideally, you should score all siblings of the dogs you intend to breed (both the bitch’s and the stud dog’s siblings) and consider their average combined scores.
**Fat Norwich: A Weighty Problem**

**Elephant in the room**

In 2006, The Journal of Nutrition published startling statistics asserting that 40% of companion animals in America were obese. By now, most sources quote canine obesity to have surpassed half of the dog population in the USA. In Europe, things have not been any rosier for dogs and cats, and veterinary medicine is going as far as trying to develop a diet pill for companion animals.

We overfeed our dogs to disease and untimely death. That’s CRAZY! The biggest problem in pet owners’ denial that the problem exists. So let’s shine the light on the elephant (pun intended) in the room. Can you span your hands over your Norwich’s waist? No? Almost? No way? Did you know that so-called “spanning” was the old-time method for gauging proper size in a Norwich Terrier? How far off is your dog?

Now, I have small hands, really small hands, but Norwich are also small. I like to be able to “span” the waist of my dogs so that my thumbs and index fingers meet around my Norwich’s waist. If you’d rather use a more scientific method, please take a close look at the canine weight chart in your vet’s office or look for it on the Internet.

Is your dog’s waist clearly defined when viewed from the top, as in the “ideal weight” drawing, or does it look more like the dog described as “heavy,” with only a slight indentation at the waist line? Can you easily feel your dog’s ribs? You should be able to, without feeling for them under the skin. Is your dog actually bulging out at the waist, which means he/she is “grossly obese”? It might come as a surprise that a slight indentation at the waist means your dog is already overweight. It might be even shocking that you are supposed to feel the ribs with the slightest of touch.

Well, at least you can now notice the “elephant” in the room.

**What’s the big deal?**

Many dog owners do not realize that obesity in dogs is even more treacherous for health than obesity in humans. To start with, dogs are not well equipped to carry or to process extra fat tissue. Once they develop fat deposits in their bodies, a dog’s cytokine system fails. What are cytokines? They are the dog’s version of Facebook posts by which various cells communicate with one another. The cytokines are secreted by inflammation in the body and cause the body to produce more. They let everyone know what’s going on with them. “Enjoying a nice morning of growth and maturation or “OMG! Inflammation in the left hind leg! Again! Grrrr.” Cytokines modulate the balance between immune responses; they regulate growth, regulate particular cell populations, and carry information about disease, trauma, even reproduction. They are essential to a healthy organism.

What happens to cytokines when a dog is obese is akin to Facebook, Twitter and all other social media crashing all at once. It’s total chaos, and not one cell knows what the other ones are doing. All the messages get crisscrossed; messages about hunger or being satiated go especially wild and are most dangerous and astounding is that messages about the nutritional value of various molecules get distorted, or not communicated at all. At that point the dog’s body is not absorbing things it needs since it is functioning in the cytokine chaos, and the messages are wrong. An obese dog might eat and yet not absorb any nutrients. It can feel hungry right after eating, and it can lack nutrients, even as it is fed and overfed. Do you know that obesity in dogs is considered a form of malnutrition?

Canine obesity leads to a host of diseases, including diabetes, various immune dysfunction, cardiovascular disease, a metabolic and endocrine disorder, joint stress and osteoarthritis, incontinence and bladder stones, and on and on. Above all, obesity means a diminished quality of life and a shortened life span. And do I even have to mention its effect on upper airway disease?
BREED HEALTH

Why are our Norwich obese? (Do we show them our love properly? Fat chance!)

Sure, there could be genetic factors, spay/neuter status, response to medication, or some underlying disease, but for most dogs, obesity is a social factor, a human factor. It is as simple as calories received and calories burnt. If you want to be scientific about it, it is “a state of positive energy balance—a result of excessive dietary intake or inadequate energy utilization.”

Dogs evolved to run, hunt, explore. Our terriers also require good mental exercise. Sadly, for most of their lives, Norwich in America today are often confined to our houses, or sometimes only small parts of our houses, or in worst cases, to crates and dog runs. Exercise is not the same as letting your dog out to a small outdoor confinement to relieve itself. Please make a mental note of the true exercise your dog got this week. What did he do on Monday? For how long? What about Tuesday? Please go through the whole week in your mind. Was it a typical week? Is it a good life? Is it a healthy life?

The other side to expending energy is receiving it or, in the case of obesity, overfeeding. My personal theory is that Norwich owners often use snacks as a substitute for things our dogs really need—walks, play time, one-on-one interaction with us—when we have no time for them. Here’s a trick, now go to your crate and I will be back in 3 hours. Here, chew on this treat as I spend time on my computer, telling others how much I love you.

How to address the problem?

Some simple modifications to your routine will do wonders:

• Take your dog for at least a 30-minute walk every day. That is the minimum to keep your dog’s joints moving, his heart muscle strong, the digestive system healthy. Strive for a 15 to 18 minute per mile pace to get your dog into its fat-burning zone.

Exercise is good for my waist line.

• Eliminate treats. All of them. Give your dog belly rubs and a good toy tug instead. When you really want to “treat” your little guy, sit on the floor with your terrier and give him undivided attention. Dog treats are calorie bombs. For example, if you feed a 10-pound dog one Milk-Bone for Small and Medium Size Dogs, it contains 45 calories. A dog that size only needs about 200 calories a day, so that single biscuit equals a fourth of all calories he needs that day. Feed him four of those bones and the dog should not have anything else. It’s like eating a chocolate bar for a human.

• Measure the food. Do not rely on your judgment. For example, a ¼ cup of dog food poured into a small 6” dog bowl would take up about a fourth of the bowl and look “right.” That
same amount poured into a larger 12" dog bowl would look like a joke—a handful of food morsels scattered on the bottom. The only way to know for sure how much you are feeding your dog is to measure the food.

• Do not ask others what they feed their dogs, and never rely on a dog food manufacturer to tell you how much to feed your dog. Each dog has a different metabolic rate and different caloric needs. Measure the food, span your dog’s waist, or weigh your dog. If the dog is not losing weight, you are feeding too much. Adjust the amount.

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What To Do About Missing Teeth?

Ed.: Judge Lydia Coleman Hutchinson's critique of the Norwich entry at the 2013 NTCA National Specialty (see p. 37 of this News) cited bad bites and missing teeth as a “main concern” that Norwich breeders need to address. In a timely coincidence, Norwich breeder Jane Schubart (“Ascot”) discusses the problem of missing teeth in her upcoming breed column for the AKC Gazette. Many thanks to Gazett breed columns editor Arllis Paddock for granting special permission to reprint Jane’s article in the Spring News prior to its publication in the May 2014 Gazette. —AGF

In many breeds, including Norwich Terriers, missing teeth are common. In her critique of our 2013 national specialty entry, Lydia Hutchinson wrote, “My main concerns were with mouths... Some bites were questionable, some mouths would not close completely, and way too many dogs had missing lower incisors.” Likewise, in the UK, Andrew Brace (Blackpool show 2011) noted that, “Missing teeth still seem to be a problem.” Teeth are important for health reasons. Proper occlusion is necessary for chewing. However, a functional bite is less important today than it was to wolf ancestors who needed strong jaws and big teeth. Arguably, a working terrier without teeth cannot do his job, but the degree of the problem really depends on which teeth are missing and how many. Adult dogs are expected to have 6 upper and 6 lower incisors, 2 upper and 2 lower canines, 8 upper and 8 lower premolars, and 4 upper and 6 lower molars. To accommodate all these teeth, the muzzle needs to be long and broad enough. Short-muzzle breeds like Norwich Terriers may not have room for all their teeth, resulting in malocclusion (teeth don’t come together properly) or oligodontia, which refers to several missing teeth, but not all. Premolars are most likely to be absent and sometimes incisors fail to develop. But, interestingly the Norwich Terrier standard does not fault missing or misaligned teeth. It simply says, “scissors bite.” We know that the breed standard is intended to be a guide for breeders and judges, emphasizing features that make the breed unique and those qualities needed to do the job for which it was created—in the case of Norwich to hunt small vermin. So, when the standard is silent, how much focus should be placed on missing teeth? Honest breeders acknowledge the problem and related problems of a narrow jaw, crooked/crowded teeth, and little “rice” teeth, but clearly we do not want the problem to worsen. In a breed with small litters, we can’t afford to “throw the baby out with the bathwater”! To deal with this problem, breeders need to understand how to use basic genetic concepts to select for traits—methods differ for polygenic traits versus simple
cessive traits. Unfortunately, there is little to guide us; information about heritability of dental disorders in the peer-reviewed veterinary literature is sparse. Given the complex structure of the skull and jaw these problems are likely polygenic. So, how do we improve? As a starting point, do not breed a dog with missing teeth to other dogs with missing teeth or to their near relatives; the offspring should then guide future breeding. A dog’s dental faults—whether in the whelping box or show ring—must be weighed along with his other virtues and faults. For breeders, Malcolm B. Willis sums it up, “There is no crime in producing a defect. The crime, if any, lies in what you do about a defect. If you bury yours quickly and keep quiet about it, and I do the same with mine, then sooner or later we may use each other’s dogs and pay the penalty for not having been honest with one another and with the breed we probably profess to love.” Missing teeth are a defect. For judges, weigh missing teeth of an exhibit alongside other merits of the dog.

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We’re too young for teeth: 3½-week-old “Beric Downs” puppies.
Agility at Kimberton 2013

If you asked agility handlers, “What’s better than four days of agility?,” they might reply, “Four days of outdoor agility with no rain, wind, snow or cold.” This past October we had no rain or snow; lots of sunshine, and just a bit too much heat at Kimberton Fairgrounds. A smaller than usual field of terriers competed in agility this year, but both the dogs and their skilled handlers had big-time fun.

Norwich owners, together with their Norfolk and other terrier friends, set up Norville “camp” where all were welcome to chat about the courses, sit in some shade, or grab a snack. Some new faces drove in from Florida. The more “terriers” the merrier, and sometimes noisier, is what we say.

There were a total of twenty-one Norwich Terriers owned, loved, and run by fourteen NTCA members. Over four days and eleven runs, the teams accumulated forty-one qualifying scores at all levels. Because some were busy with Rally, Obedience or Conformation, not all the Norwich agility teams ran all four days, but they made it to the field to show their teamwork.

All week was exciting, but Thursday, October 3rd, the NTCA supported trial chaired by Blair Kelly, had the greatest number of Norwich running. This day proved to be successful for the ten NCTA members that ran. There were eleven qualifying runs and four new titles. Four smooth, superstar handlers, each running two dogs, were Ursula Walsh, Melanie Bryson, Betty McDonnell, and Blair Kelly. Ursula ran “Harley” (MACH5 Yarrow’s Mgb Beach Pine Harry CD RE MXC2 MJS3 T2B XF ME) and “George” (MACH MXS MJS XF). Each of her boys earned QQ (double qualifying runs). In fact, Ursula’s two males each earned two QCs during the week and a total of ten qualifying runs. Melanie Bryson, one of the Florida handlers, ran “Ruby” (Reverie’s Dream a Little Dream MX MXB MXJ THD CGC) and “Molly” (MACH Arcadian-Dynamite Red Beryl MXG MJG THD CGC) at the Master Level. Ruby earned two QCs during the week and, combined, Melanie’s two girls earned eight qualifying scores.

Two novice dogs, “Wren” (Kilyka’s Bird in Hand NA NAJ) and “Birdie” (Kilyka’s Rare Bird Alert NA NAJ), owned and run by Betty McDonnell, earned two qualifying runs and together they totaled seven qualifying scores all week. Both Wren and Birdie earned Novice Agility (NA, AND Novice Jumper (NA) titles, which had Betty beaming.

Blair Kelly ran “Paige” (Shaksper Paige Morgan AX AXJ) and earned the Excellent Agility Jumper (AXJ) title. Overall, Blair’s “Paige” and “Olivia” (Jerusalem Olivia Lenox MXJ MXJ MJB NF) earned a total of eight qualifying scores, with each Norwich earning two qualifying scores on Wednesday.

Judy Laffey’s “Paige” (Ch. Glengariff’s Bethpage Black RN AX OJP OAP NAP NJP), earned her Open Agility Preferred (OAP) during the week and took home four Qs and four blue ribbons. Meredith Dwyer’s “Pepper” (Southpaw Reflection of Highwood NAJ), run by Kathy Gregorieff, earned a Novice Agility Jumper (NAJ) title. And Leslie Becker’s “Alice” (Ch Skyscots All In NA NAJ), co-owned with and run by Caroline Dodwell, earned a Novice Agility title (NA NAJ).

“Hemi” (OTCH MACH Huntwood’s Four On The Floor UDX MX MXJ NF), owned and run by Carlynn Ricks, qualified in three of the standard runs. Don Krantz and “Sammy” (Classic’s Candy Man AXP MJP NFP) had two qualifying runs.

A few NTCA members ran at Kimberton for the first time. Bonnie Carpenter and “Grizwald” (Foxwood Grizwald Bear NA OAJ) were only there one day, but “Griz” earned one qualifying score. Cathy Rogers with eight-year-old “Phoenix” (Ch. Camio’s Educated Guess) and Deb Lang-Stephenson with “Carter” (GCH Kaleidoscope Claybrook Carter OA NA NAJ) also ran happily and well.
That's quite an impressive list of successes, with so many of them happening on Thursday, NORWICH DAY. Cheering on the NTCA agility teams were Chris Zink, Yvonne Vertlieb, Cheri McAlister, Susan Sikorski, Donna West and several other members/breeders. What’s competition without support?

Because of fewer entries, the supporting clubs worked hard to cut expenses and increase profits. That meant that $670.00 was sent to the AKC Canine Health Fund, specifically for the Norwich Donor Advised Fund. I’d say we did some “running” and volunteering for a great cause. Meredith Dwyer, with both her daughters, came to the “horagility” traditional Friday night dinner and donated a hand-painted clock. The clock was auctioned off, with the money going to support some of the agility awards at the Kentuckania Cluster in Louisville. Good luck to all agility teams going to the NTCA supported entry in Louisville. May the agility “fleat of foot” spirit be with you, and happy trials to you all until we meet again.

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N.B.: The 2014 MCKC agility trial cluster will NOT be held at the Kimberton Fair Grounds next fall. The trials will instead take place at “In the Net” in Palmyra, PA, about an hour west of Kimberton. Since this is an indoor venue on a great turf surface, there’s no rain, mud, snow or wind to worry about. There will be RV hook ups available and about ten vendors. Even if you aren’t running agility, come and watch our breed succeed in the agility ring from Monday, September 29th through Thursday, October 2nd. You’ll still have plenty of time for all the other terrier fun during the week. —JK

The December 2013 Eukanuba Agility Invitational: Strong Runs and Plenty of Fun!

For the third year in a row, the AKC Eukanuba Agility Invitational was held in Orlando, Florida. This is the first year that all competing Norwich had MACH titles. Representing our breed were first timers Patty Fornelli with “Magic” (Ch. MACH Shonleh He’s A Magic Man RA MXB MJS MXF MFB JE) and Melanie Bryson with “Molly” (MACH Arcadian-Dynamite Red Beryl MXS MJS THD CGC). Both Norwich are five years old and both earned their first Master Agility Champion titles during 2013.

Repeat competitors also had a very successful 2013. Rainee Johnson and “Sassy” (MACH 4 Breakaway’s In The Know RN MXC MJC MXF MFB TQX T2B2) earned a MACH 4 title in 2013. And making breed history yet again, Ursula Walsh with “Harry” (MACH 5 Yarrow’s Mgb Beach Pine Harry CD RE MXC2 MJB3 XF T2B ME) earned a MACH 5. Clearly these terriers have drive and love the game to have earned multiple MACH titles. Another history-making moment for Ursula happened when her younger Norwich “George” (MACH Slightly The Hired Hand MXS MJS XF) earned not only his first MACH, but also a place among the top five 2013 agility Norwich and an invitation to Eukanuba.
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Although we had a very talented group of Norwich competitors at the 2013 Invitational, none made it into the final round this year. Patty Fornelli and “Magic” received a Parent Club Medallion from the NTCA for having the best overall score of the five teams after four runs.

Congratulations to Patty and Magic and to all the Invitational Norwich competitors. Our Norwich are always champions on and off the agility fields, and in Florida they were well-conditioned “MACH”ines. These five outstanding Norwich agility teams all qualified to participate in the Agility Nationals in Harrisburg, PA in March 2014, but none will attend that event this year.

—Joan Krantz, Middlebury, CT (fdkrantz@snet.net)

Many New Agility Titles For NTCA Norwich

NTCA members and their agility Norwich are smiling. Many earned titles from August through December 2013, with the most being earned in October at Kimberton. In total there were fifty-one new titles earned by fifteen handlers running twenty-two dogs. This included fourteen Novice titles, fourteen Open (intermediate) titles, and twenty-three Excellent and Master (advanced) titles, including two Master Agility Champion titles (MACH), one Master Agility Champion 4 (MACH4) and one Master Agility Champion 5 (MACH5).

Patty Fornelli and “Magic” (Ch. MACH Shonleh He’s A Magic Man RA MXB MJS MXF MFB JE) earned their first Master Agility Champion title in September. It was quite the day for them. To quote Patty, “The agility gods smiled
Way up and over "George" demonstrates his unique jumping style on his MACH run.

on us this weekend. . . . Magic QQQ’d on Friday and Saturday and QQ’d on Sunday. He never took a wrong step all weekend! He did indeed Q on every run! He also completed his 25th Fast course and earned his Master Fast Bronze title. He is a breed champion and a MACH, but most of all he is my heart dog. Getting his MACH was my Everest!"

Ursula Walsh’s “George” (MACH Slightly The Hired Hand MXS MJS XF) earned his first Master Agility Champion title in November. George’s title is especially significant. Ursula shared part of his story. “George went through at least 3 homes before I got him and started him in Agility. On his very first day in Foundations class, he took to it like a duck to water or as though he'd been waiting for this opportunity all of his short (2 years old) life. He has a very distinctive jumping style. He tucks his rear feet underneath himself so that he looks like a little hedgehog going over jumps. He frequently takes off too early and jumps about 6 inches higher than the top bar. He looks like a pogo stick as he goes over each jump. He is very quick and it took us a while to get together on which obstacle was the next obstacle to be approached. My old brain had a hard time moving faster than George's young one. He also has his Excellent FAST title.” Ursula had just celebrated a fifth Master Agility Champion with “Harry” (MACH5 Yarrow's Mbg Beach Pine Harry CD RE MXC2 MJS3 XF T2B ME) in October. Ursula is the first to own two MACH Norwich Terriers at the same time. She should be very proud of this historic achievement.

Another hugely successful NTCA agility team is Rainee Johnson and “Savvy” (MACH4 Breakaway's In The Know RN MXC MJC MXF MFB TQX T2B2), who earned their fourth Master Agility Champion title (MACH4). Even with a little down time earlier in the year, Rainee and Savvy earned two MACH’s in 2013. Rainee continually tells “Savvy” that “she’s the best that’s ever been.” That’s the truth. “Savvy” has been the top-ranked agility Norwich for the past four years.

Both Rainee and Ursula deserve recognition for their continued successes. “Savvy,” aka “Swabbage” or the “Savage Beast”, was number one on the AKC Top Dog in Agility MACH competitions for all Norwich in 2013. “Harry,” aka “Steady Eddie,” and “George,” aka “Georgie Porgie” and “Curious George,” were the number two and three agility Norwich for 2013. [Dogs’ nicknames provided by Rainee and Ursula.]

A HUGE congratulations to all the NTCA agility teams that earned titles these past six months. From the number of members participating, I’d say the sport is growing and evolving. Before long we’ll see a new generation of agility dogs showing evidence of the new training styles and methods that have influenced the agility world. Run fast, cue early, and laugh when things go wrong. There’s always another day and another run.

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The Inaugural Westminster Agility Trial

On February 7, 2014 NTCA member Melanie Bryson of Boca Raton, FL hopped on a plane with “Molly” (MACH Arcadian-Dynamite Red Beryl MXC MJG THD CGC) to compete in the inaugural Westminster Agility Trial in NYC on February 8, 2014. Selected by random draw to be one of 225 dogs showcasing what it takes to run at the Excellent/Master Level, Molly performed well. She was one of 39 eight-inch dogs that ran two courses, a Jumpers with Weaves course and a Standard course, for which she earned a green Westminster qualifying rosette. Being part of AKC agility history makes Molly a star in the Norwich Terrier history books as well. Congratulations to Melanie and Molly for showing the world how the “little dogs” run with such heart and drive.

—Ian Krantz, Middlebury, CT
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Our Agility Training Journey: Part 2

Ed. This is the second installment of Joan Krantz’s articles on training her young Norwich “Henry” for agility. Part 1 was in the Fall 2013 News (pp. 25-26). —AGF

My Norwich “Henry” celebrated his first birthday on August 10, 2013 with doggie meatballs and cake. Soon afterwards, I had his growth plates checked. I then made a plan and set goals for continuing our agility journey. Henry and I agreed that having fun was key, but goals will keep us focused.

GOAL ONE: Always have fun and stop “training” when Henry succeeds and wants to do more. A ready dog is a willing dog. When I think it’s time for a five-minute session of weaves, table, wobble board, tunnel work, handling work, etc., Henry races downstairs when I say, “Let’s go play.” Short and sweet with treats. . . .

GOAL TWO: Always “train” in life situations. During walks in the woods, I encourage Henry to stray off the path and “hunt.” I give him the freedom of a 30-foot lead and practice “recall” and Rally exercises during our walks. At a local playground, I let him climb the simple, plastic climbing wall or slide down the short slide. All those help Henry learn how to use his body and his mind. It’s fun watching him navigate the roots, rocks and brush in the woods. On the playground, he looks at the equipment and doesn’t hesitate to take on the challenge. Connection between us is the lesson in all these “training” exercises. Of course, it’s my job to make sure that what he does is safe. Henry loves it all.
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GOAL THREE: Always keep lots of “money in the bank.” If Henry fails more than three times in a row while practicing an agility skill or obstacle, it’s my duty to have him succeed by breaking down the exercise so that he remains confident and willing. I end the game when he’s brilliant and then give him lots of praise and treats. Praise, treats, toys, play are my kind of “money.”

GOAL FOUR: Always travel the journey slowly and cautiously when it comes to contact and weave training. We are currently following the CONTACT ALERT signs and have returned to practicing end behaviors and rewarding successes with praise and treats. Now that he’s older, bolder and stronger, Henry sometimes just wants to run with no regard for his body and thus misses the yellow zone. I’ve tried to teach him that “tiptoe through the yellow” is the best path. I hope by his second birthday, he’s more consistent and confident and loves being in the zone.

For a novice dog, his weaves are wonderful. When I trained the weave poles, I started with just two poles to have him learn that it’s always his left shoulder that needs to enter first. I practiced different angles and I continued to add two poles until he was consistently doing six. It was a game where the treat was thrown forward at the end of the poles or back toward the last pole so that I wasn’t the treat machine. Henry now feels very proud when he flies through all twelve weave poles. These two articles—“Nail Down Your Weave Entries” by Rachel Sanders and “A New Twist on Training with 2 X 2 Weaves” by Mary Ellen Barry—were recommended to me by Henry’s trainer. I revisit them often.

GOAL FIVE: When to “test” Henry’s skills and training at an agility trail is the question. One instructor encouraged me to enter Henry in a trial by December to see what kind of dog I had in the ring. She also suggested entering “Matches,” which simulate a trial setting. In November I entered Henry in a B Match at the Springfield Cluster, which included Conformation, Rally, Obedience and a four-ring agility trial. The atmosphere in the agility building was filled with a supercharged, competitive energy. Henry kept his focus and ran like a true champ . . . no dog bloopers, only handler bloopers where Henry saved it. I did a few more trials with Henry and that’s when I decided we are on CONTACT ALERT. It’s all fun!

The next and last installment about training Henry for agility will be about his first few trials. All of this is nothing new for agility veterans, but Henry is only my second agility dog and this is the first time I’ve kept an ongoing agility training/trialing journal. The journal gives me time to reflect on our mutual journey and to make a plan. When Henry’s sleeping on my lap or next to me, I imagine he’s dreaming of the “places he’ll go.” I’m dreaming of a long journey with my happy, fearless explorer whom I adore.

—Joan Krantz, Middlebury, CT
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Rally and Obedience and Other Fun Activities:  
Spring 2014 Report

Have the obedience and rally rings been snowed in or has it been our NTCA competitors who have been snowed in this winter? Perhaps owners are using the indoor time to train, and we'll hear from them soon. Nevertheless, we do have a few notable titles to report.

Betty McDonnell put the intermediate obedience title, Companion Dog Excellent (CDX), on Ch. Kilyka’s Witch Hazel CDX NAP NJP. This is definitely not an easy title to earn, so it makes sense that not everyone is doing it; but the rewards in terms of your relationship with your dog are worth the effort. Last summer Blair Kelly put a Rally Novice title on his little speed demon Shakspers Amanda Seyfried RN CGC (Mandy), and in January Deborah Ross finished the top rally title, Rally Advanced Excellent, with Yvaine’s Lil Bit Xtra CD BN RA (Meena).

I encourage all of you to work on your relationship with your Norwich by doing a little obedience work with them. To that end, the CGC, Canine Good Citizen, is a good place to start, and Ann and Phil Whatley have done just that with Country Girl’s Golden Moondust JE FDCH CGC (Dusty). By the way, that FDCH stands for Flyball Dog Champion, a mid-level flyball title. Good work, Dusty! Joan Krantz started Pinelake’s Happy, Fearless Explorer CGC (Henry) with the CGC on his way to many more titles, we’re sure. Blair Kelly, working with several dogs, finished the CGC with Shakspers Soren Ben Miller CGC, and Ch. Shakspers Prince Edvard Williams CGC, owned by Dr. Phyllis K. Pullen, earned the CGC.

Once you earn the CGC title, you’ve probably trained your dog enough to pass the Therapy Dog Test, The THD. Joan Krantz did that with Elysium’s Summersong At Pinelake MX MXB MXJ MJB NF THD CGC (Cricket), and they are now doing regular nursing home visits. Similarly, Joan Graham and Ch. Littlefield Halle Beary At Saxony RN THD CGC (Halle) go weekly to a local elementary school (weather permitting this awful winter) where Halle is a reading education assistance dog for children in grades K-2nd. As a therapy dog, Halle is also involved in stress relief activities with students at several local colleges. Jake Of Echo Lake THD, owned by Ann R. Carlson and Sandra Stemmler, earned the THD. And my own OTCH MACH Huntwood’s Four On The Floor UDX MX MXS MXJ MJS NF THD CGC (Hemi) is charming the folks at a nursing home in San Antonio as well as working with a therapist in a rehab hospital. I’ve learned that “Paws Up” when referring to the side wheel on a wheel chair is a useful command. That puts Hemi at just the right height for petting. Our gentle but interested and full-of-life little dogs are great therapy dogs, so if you have the time, this is a rewarding way to spend it.

Congratulations to all these wonderful dogs and trainers. In the meantime, happy training, and let me know about your results.

—Carlynn Ricks, San Antonio, TX  
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Why Not Give Earth Dog A Try?

If you are looking for something that is fun for both you and your Norwich, why not try Earth Dog? Most ED testing giving clubs offer a Practice Day for owners and dogs new to the sport to teach them about rats and tunnels. This is what NTCA member Joan Krantz did with her then 14-month-old Norwich, Henry (Pinelake’s Happy, Fearless Explorer JE CGC). Joan was looking for something to occupy her busy boy’s brain while waiting to start him in Agility. When he was first introduced to rats, he went wild, so Joan decided to stop at the Crosswicks New Jersey Earth Dog test on her way home from the 2013 Kimberton/Montgomery weekend. Henry had a blast and so did Joan! He went to several other tests in the Northeast and then in late October, Joan took Henry to Marian Shaw’s lovely farm on the Eastern Shore of Maryland. 

There on October 27, 2013, Henry successfully completed his 2nd leg for his Junior Earth Dog title. Congratulations to Henry and Joan!

—Ursula Walsh, “Beach Pine” Norwich, Pinehurst, NC (ursthenuurse@nc.rr.com)
OTCH MACH Huntwood’s Four on the Floor
UDX MX MXS MXJ MJS NF THD CGC

(Ch. Barkshirenext O’Kin Huntwood x Ch. Huntwood’s Kristil Dream)

Breeder: Susan Kipp
Owners/Trainers/Handlers: Bridget Carlsen and now Carlynn Ricks

New title: Master Agility Champion (MACH)

“Hemi” spent his early years with obedience trainer Bridget Carlsen, who made breed history with him by earning the first Norwich OTCH title (Obedience Trial Champion). Hemi achieved this title in less than 3 years, before he was four years old. At age 6, Hemi came to live with Carlynn Ricks. Trained and handled by his new owner, Hemi finished the MACH (Master Agility Champion) title on a very cold February 8, 2014, outdoors in Crosby, Texas. Having two performance championships (OTCH and MACH) makes Hemi truly unique in Norwich history.

Ch. Briarcote’s Widget of Foxglyn

(Ch. Foxglyn’s Put Your Pedal To The Medal x Foxglyn’s Red Rt Return At Millbrook)

Breeders: Paul Eddy, Nancy Eddy and Lori Pelletier
Owners: Carolyn Rook and Judith D’Amico

We are most grateful to Nicki Conroy for her trust and guidance with this lovely girl and to Lori Pelletier for her expert grooming and handling of Widget to her championship in July 2013.
Ch. Ascot Bizzy Lizzy
(Schancho Man In Black x Ascot Twinkle Little Star)
Breeders/Owners: Jane R. Schubart and William J. Schubart

Handled by Angela Chase, “Lizzy” started showing in Spring 2013, earning a 3-point major at Bucks County. She finished with a major win at the Turkey Cluster in Howard County, MD under judge Ken Kauffman. More than dog shows, Lizzy enjoys hunting chipmunks. She is looking forward to barn hunt events.

Ch. Jaeva Could It Be Magic (U.K. import)
(Nepomuk Von Den Zwei Eichen at Saltarello x Jaeva Nut Meg)
Breeder: Martin Phillips (United Kingdom)
Owners: Jane R. Schubart and William J. Schubart

Because “Merlin” is related to some of our first and favorite Norwich (on his dam’s side), we convinced his English breeder to send him to Ascot as a young puppy in 2011. Having sired four litters to date, he has not disappointed. He is compact, sturdy and fun!
SCENES FROM ‘SNOWMAGEDDON’

Single file: Dig-n-Pop Norwich making their way in a snow tunnel

I think I’ll winter in Arizona next year (”Flirt” Wentzell)

Watch out below! “Minnie” and owner Elizabeth Fitzgerald sledding in northern Virginia

White out! (”Archie” Kozora)

Dashing through the snow (”Tru” Fornelli)
The 2013 Montgomery KC Specialty Weekend: Norwich Conformation Results

In this day and age of Facebook, instant messaging, and on-line show superintendent services, it may seem like an anachronism to write up results from dog shows long past. Still there’s something to value in the continuing tradition of having the record set in the national Norwich club’s “official publication.” The fleeting electronic pixels simply don’t have the taying power of words on the printed page. It’s hard to save a print-out of memories. The Norwich Terrier News distills the impressions and helps us all to savor the moments, whether ringside, as a visitor from afar, or as an exhibitor in the ring with heart beating on the other end of your dog’s leash at the year’s best cycle of terrier shows. And so, for the NTCA annals:

Hatboro I
Thursday, October 3rd
Judge: Bruce R. Schwartz
19-17(19-11)


- **Winners Bitch** (Open): **Barnstable Catch Her In The Rye** (GCH Barnstable’s Dare To Dream X Ch. Den-Mar Tangerine At Barnstable). Breeder/Owner: Sandra Stemmler. Handled by Patsy Wade.


- **Select Bitch/AOM: Ch. Dunbar’s A Kiss To Build Dreams On** (Ch. Dunbar’s Frozen Assets X Ch. Dunbar’s Runaway Bride). Breeder: Joan Schurr Kefeli. Owner: Mary B. Aggers.


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Hatboro II: NTCA Supported Entry
Friday, October 4th
Judge: Robert Paust
19-19 (18-10)

- **Winners Dog/Best of Winners** (Bred By): *Birchbay Belfyre Legend of Texas* (See Hatboro 1 RWB)
- **Winners Bitch** (Puppy 9-12): *Rexroth's Mystical Temptation* (See Hatboro I RWB)
- **BOB: GCH Highwood's Whirling Dun** (see BOB Hatboro I)
- **BOS: Ch. Millbrook's Storm Warning at Foxglyn** (Ch. Dunbar's Deserado of Acadia X Ch. Fooze's Dark and Stormy at Millbrook). "Breeze" was bred and handled by Lori Pelletier and is co-owned by Lori with Nicky Conroy.
- **Select Dog: GCH Camio's Educated Exemplar** (Ch. Abedale's Brass Tacks X Ch. Camio's Educated Guess). Breeder/Owner: Catherine Rogers.
- **AOM: GCH Dunbar's Heir Apparent** (See AOM Hatboro I)

Devon
Saturday, October 5th
Judge: Minna-Liisa Koltes
13-13 (15-5)

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• **RWB** (Puppy Bitch): **Rexroth’s Mystical Temptation** (See RWB Hatboro I).

• **BOB: Ch. Dunbar’s Heir Apparent.** (See AOM Hatboro I).

• **BOS: Ch. Millbrook’s Storm Warning At Foxglyn.** (See BOS Hatboro II)

• **Select Dog**: **GCH Highwood’s Whirling Dun** (See BOB Hatboro I)

• **Select Bitch**: **Ch. Capability’s Hot Tin Lizzie** (See BOS Hatboro I)

**Montgomery County KC:**
**NTCA National Specialty with Sweepstakes**
Sunday, October 6th

**Sweepstakes**
Judge: Betty McDonnell ("Kilyka" Norwich)
9-11


• **Best of Opposite Sex in Sweepstakes** (Puppy 9-12): **Coventry’s Life Is A Highway** (GCH Coventry’s Seamus O’Clancy X GCH Coventry’s Bless This Broken Road). Breeders/Owners: Dale Hutton Martins & Timothy Irwin Martins.

• **Best Veteran in Sweepstakes** (10 years and over dogs): **Ch. Abbedale Brass Tacks** (Ch. Ter-Haven Bold As Brass X Abbedale the Goode Case). Breeder/Owner: Joan Eckert. Co-Owner: Bonnie Johnson.

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*Best in Sweepstakes: Taliesin Twice As Nice* (Ch. Abbedale Brass Tacks X Ch. Abbedale Take Two At Taliesin), pictured with Sweeps judge Betty McDonnell, breeder/handler Joan Eckert, and NTCA President Jean Kessler.

*Best of Opposite Sex in Sweepstakes: Coventry’s Life Is A Highway* (GCH Seamus O’Clancy X GCH Coventry’s Bless This Broken Road), pictured with Sweeps judge Betty McDonnell and co-breeder/co-owner/handler Dale Hutton Martins.
Regular Classes
Judge: Lydia Coleman Hutchinson
26-20 (23-17)

- **Winners Dog/BOW** (12-15 months): *Birchbay’s Wild Side At Belfyre* (See Hatboro I)

- **Reserve Winners Dog** (12-15 months): *Taliesin Twce As Nice* (See Sweepstakes.)


- **BOB**: *GCH Highwood’s Whirling Dun* (see Hatboro I).

- **BOS**: Ch. *Millbrook’s Storm Warning At Foxglyn*. (See Hatboro II).

- **Select Dog**: GCH Camio’s *Educated Exemplar* (See Select Dog Hatboro II)

- **Select Bitch**: Ch. *Capability’s Hot Tin Lizzie* (See BOS Hatboro I)

- **First Award of Merit**: Ch. *Foxwood Super Hero* (Ch. Dunbar’s Kensington Square X Ch. Foxwood Warrior Princess). Breeder/Owner/Handler: Kathryn Mines.

- **Second AOM**: GCH *Fly’N High’s Rocket Man* (Ch. Rosecroft Once More X Ch. Ascot Tiger Lily). Breeder/Owner/Handler: Sharon L. Jones.


- **Best Bred-By Exhibitor**: *Noridge Hot Lips Hoolihan* (See WB).

- **Stud Dog**: Ch. *Abbedale Brass Tacks*. (See Fourth AOM.)

- **Brood Bitch**: Ch. Camio’s *Educated Guess* (Ch. Glendale Guess Again X Camio’s Tempest Of Glendale). Breeder/Owner: Catherine A. Rogers.

Congratulations to all the winners, and many thanks to all who worked so hard to make the 2013 Montgomery Specialty weekend so memorable.

—Leandra (Lee) Little, “Littlefield” Norwich
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The 2013 NTCA Montgomery County National Specialty:  
Judge Lydia Coleman Hutchinson’s Critique

October 6, 2013 was a picture-perfect day in Blue Bell, Pennsylvania, albeit a bit warm, but we were able to utilize the tenting to provide maximum shade for the dogs. I appreciated the opportunity to judge the Norwich Terrier national specialty at Montgomery County, especially since it had been necessary for me to decline two previous invitations from the NTCA. Thank you to the members for being persistent!

The following comments will reflect my views of the overall entry, with just a few remarks on the winners. I’m giving it the title, “Good News, Bad News.”

The Good News is that the overall quality of the Best of Breed entries was excellent. Thirty-nine Norwich were present with only 4 marked absent—a wonderful turnout! I chose to keep the majority of the Champions in competition after the first cut to give recognition to their quality. However, it became necessary to make a second cut, and I considered the final remaining dogs to be well above average.

The top winners all have the attributes I was looking for. They are soundly constructed and moved and showed well. I appreciated their balance and size, and all were shown in excellent coat and weight. Their heads are of correct proportions with typical expressions. I would like to commend all the Veterans; both males received Awards of Merit.

In general, the pluses I found in the overall entry were good coats and lovely temperaments. Movement was acceptable in most dogs. Heads were a “mixed bag,” but the majority were pleasing.

Now for the Bad News... My observations are made from my point of view as a long-time breeder of Cairns who admires and genuinely likes Norwich. I was very disappointed in many of the youngsters. The lack of overall quality in the puppy and junior classes gives me concern for the future of your breed.

My main concerns were with mouths and balance. Some bites were questionable, some mouths would not close completely, and way too many dogs had missing lower incisors. It is time for breeders to attempt to correct this unfortunate trend. As for balance, as you well know the Norwich standard describes a compact, deep-bodied dog. There were numerous dogs with bodies longer than desirable, therefore lacking correct balance.

I trust you will accept the above comments in the spirit in which they are offered—as “words to the wise.” As a judge I always hope to accentuate the virtues of each breed, but when problems are seen, it is the judge’s responsibility to point them out to caring and conscientious breeders.

—Lydia Coleman Hutchinson,  
“Wolfpit” Cairn Terriers, Middletown, MD  
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Best of Breed: GCH Highwood's Whirling Dun
(Ch. WWW/Redbully De Vom Rittersee x Highwood's Pheasant Tail), pictured with Specialty judge Lydia Coleman Hutchinson, breeder Knowlton Reynolds, handler Andrew Green, Rink Reynolds, and NTCA President Jean Kessler

Best of Winners/Winner's Dog (5 points): Birchbay's Wild Side At Belfyre
(Ch. Bon-Mark Legend of the Moon x Ch. Birchbay Sweet Pea), pictured with Specialty judge Lydia Coleman Hutchinson, co-owner/handler Polly O'Neal, co-owner/breeder Janis Birchall, and NTCA President Jean Kessler

Winners Bitch (4 points): Noridge Hot Lips Hooligan
(GCH Foxwood Chasing A Dream x Noridge's Marine Brass), pictured with Specialty judge Lydia Coleman Hutchinson, breeder/owner/handler Patricia Warrender, and NTCA President Jean Kessler

Best of Opposite Sex: Millbrook's Storm Warning At Foxglyn
(Ch. Dunbar's Desperado Of Arcadia x Ch. Fooze's Dark And Stormy At Millbrook), pictured with Specialty judge Lydia Coleman Hutchinson, co-breeder/co-owner/handler Lori Pelletier, and NTCA President Jean Kessler

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The NTCA Supported Entry at Richland County Kennel Club
(December 14, 2013; Cleveland, OH)
Breed Judge: Mr. Terry Stacy – Entry: 4-6 (3-3)

- **BOB**: Ch. MA-YA Stormin' Norman (Ch. Pinelake's Mega Bucks x MA-YA's Fabulous Ginger). Breeders/Owners: Yasuko & Mark Harr

- **BOS**: Ch. Pinelake's Bit O'Honey (Ch. Pinelake's Mega Bucks x GCH Elysium's Ciao Bella NAJ). Breeder/Owner: Carol S. Clark

- **BOW/WD (4 points)**: Janoras Addicted To Love (Ch. Janoras Roll The Dice x Janoras Anastasia). Breeders: John Bornemann & Norma Braun. Owner: Norma Braun


- **WB (4 points)**: MA-YA's Jive Talkin' (GCH Sho-Me Mischief x Ch. Sarum MA-YA's My Sweet Valentine). Breeders/Owners: Yasuko & Mark Harr

- **RWB**: Oak Wood's Ruby Lavender (GCH Oak Wood's Starburst x Ch. Oak Wood's My Love Does It Good). Breeders/Owners: Dr. Donna Brown & Martin E. Brown


- **Select Bitch**: GCH Pinelake's Fairy Tail (Ch. Pinelake's Mega Bucks x Ch. Shoebutton's Peggy Cass). Breeder: Carol S. Clark. Owners: Kelly Foos & David Foos

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The December 2013 AKC/Eukanuba National Championship

At this year's AKC/Eukanuba National Championship held in Orlando, FL, Norwich Terriers were judged by Randy E. Garren. This was the first year the show was open to include class dogs. **Den-Mar's Wild Card** (GCH Skyscot's Texas Hold 'Em x Ch. Denmar's It Is What It Izzy), bred, owned and handled by Marie Cato in the Bred-by-Exhibitor class, was **Winners Dog**.

The judge awarded **Best of Breed** to **GCH Ch. Highwood's Whirling Dun** (Ch. WWW Red Bully De Vom Rittersee x Highwood's Pheasant Tail), bred by Knowlton Reynards, owned by Janos and Nancy Fonyo and handled by Andrew Green. **GCH Apollo** (Ch. Briardales King of the Road x Ch. Briardales No Nonsense Nina), bred and owned by Chee Wai Chen, Cary Trelxler and Carol Bullwinkle-Fourcraut, and handled by Amy Rutherford, was **Select Dog**.

**GCH Camio's Educated Exemplar** (Ch. Abbedale Brass Tacks x Ch. Camio's Educated Guess NJP), bred and owned by Cathy Rogers, was chosen for the **Award of Excellence**. He was also shown in the Bred-by-Exhibitor ring and was awarded **Best Bred-by in Breed**. He went on to win a **Group 4 in the Bred-by-Exhibitor Terrier Group**.

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The NTCA Supported Entry at Desert Empire Terrier Club  
(January 3, 2014; Indio, CA)

The Desert Empire Terrier Club of Southern California hosted its first NTCA supported entry at the Empire Polo Club in Indio, California on January 3, 2014. The grounds are beautiful and the weather was just gorgeous. Sunny and mid 70’s – perfect weather for January! There was a nice entry of 21 Norwich—5-11 (4-1)—for breed judge Mrs. Janie M. Bousek.

- **BOB**: **GCH Dancy’s Rough Rider** (Ch. Cobby’s Hidden Treasure x GCH Dancy’s Storm Warning). Breeders/Owners: Dwain and Nancy Lentz.
- **BOS**: **Ch. Lasata’s Chick-A-Dee** (Ch. Shonleh Robin x Ch. Lasata’s Licensed to Thrill). Breeder: James Latuscha. Owners: James Latuscha and Dorothy Prohaska.
- **BOW/WD**: **Michan’s Night Storm Mike** (GCH Fly’n High’s Sonic Boom x GCH Shonleh Winsome’s Lotus). Breeders/Owners: Lynn and Howard Marshall.
- **RWD**: **Den-mar’s Wild Card** (GCH Skyscot’s Texas Hold ‘Em x GCH Den-mar’s It is What It is Izzy). Breeder/Owner: Marie Cato
- **Select Bitch**: **Ch. Michan’s Veronica The Red Lady** (GCH Ascot Sanspur at Yarrow x GCH Shonleh Winsome’s Lotus). Breeders/Owners: Lynn and Howard Marshall.

—Nancy Lentz, “Dancy” Norwich, Tempe, AZ  
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**Westminster 2014 Norwich Results**

The 138th annual Westminster KC dog show was held February 10-11th, 2014. For the second year, the daytime Class and Best of Breed judging took place at Piers 92 and 94 on the far west side of Manhattan. Group and Best in Show judging was held at the traditional venue, Madison Square Garden, each evening. Luckily, Westminster was not overly hampered by the record-setting snowfall New York City is receiving this winter, and the organizers of the show appear to be responding to exhibitor and spectator suggestions for the new Piers site. Breeze judging was streamed online, so fanciers from all over the world could watch on their computers or mobile devices in real time.
NTCA member and long-time Norwich breeder Mrs. Knowlton (Nonie) Reyners (“Highwood”) judged an entry of twelve Norwich Terriers (0-1-(7-4) ). Winners Bitch was awarded from the Bred by Exhibitor class to Foxwood’s Harmony (Ch. Beric’s Morgan Kelliwic x Ch. Foxwood Redfern Chasing the Melody RN), bred and owned by Kathryn Mines and Lauren Simpson.

Mrs. Reyners then invited in her Best of Breed competitors, representing Norwich from all over the United States. After moving the exhibits around the ring and completing individual examinations, the group was cut in half. Mrs. Reyners found her Best of Breed winner in GCH Fly’N High’s Sonic Boom (Ch. Rosecroft Once More x Ch. Ascot Tiger Lily). “Boomer” is a beautiful red dog bred, owned, and handled by NTCA member Sharon Jones. Best of Opposite Sex was awarded to GCH Ma-Ya Sweet ‘N’ Sassy (Ch. Pinelake’s Mega Bucks x Ch. Sarum Ma-Ya’s My Sweet Valentine). “Sassy” is bred and owned by Yasuko and Mark Harr, and handled by NTCA member Mrs. Harr. Congratulations to both breeder-owner-handlers on such prestigious wins!

Select Dog went to GCH Michan’s Mick Like A Rolling Stone (GCH Fly’N High’s Sonic Boom x CH Migar Shonleh’s Cha Cha Lola), owned by NTCA members Lynn and Howard Marshall. “Mick” is a son of the BOB winner—very well done by father and son! Select Bitch was awarded to NTCA members Nichola Conroy and Lori Pelletier’s black and tan bitch Ch. Millbrook’s Storm Warning at Foxglyn (Ch. Dunbar’s Desperado of Arcadia x Ch. Fozzle’s Dark and Stormy at Millbrook).

Awards of Merit returned to Westminster this year and were earned by GCH Dunbar’s Heir Apparent (GCH Yarrow Venerie Old King Cole x Ch. Dunbar’s Runaway Bride), a dog bred and owned by NTCA member Joan Schurr Kefeli, and Ch. Barnstable’s Dreamcatcher (GCH Barnstable’s Dare To Dream x Ch. Den-Mar Tangerine at Barnstable), a bitch owned by Lynn Keller and NTCA member Jeri McClure.

“Boomer” and Sharon represented Norwich Terriers beautifully in the always very competitive Westminster Kennel Club Terrier Group later that evening.

Congratulations to all the winners!

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The 2014 Norwich Terrier Club of Greater Chicago Specialty

The Norwich Terrier Club of Greater Chicago held its 24th Annual Specialty on Saturday February 22, 2014 at Chicago’s McCormick Place Lakeside Building in conjunction with the International Kennel Club of Chicago dog show. As is the case each year, the NTCGC held a supported entry the following day Sunday February 23rd. The trophy table looked fabulous with pewter trophies and rosettes galore.

The weather was fine this year. It was a bit chilly, but no snow occurred. As the IKC is a benched show, Norwich competitors and their dogs were nicely set up in the benching area where there was ample room for all. There was also plenty of seating for coffee and donuts, provided again this year by Susan Miller Hall, April Clark and Amy Grace Clark. Lisa Sons, Joan Eckert and Judy
Laffey provided lunch. The chicken chili was especially good! Plenty of snacks, including some black and tan Norwich cookies, gave the hungry group much to enjoy.

NTCA member-bredre**tor Tonnie Willrich** from Texas (“Itsy Bitsy” Norwich) **judged the Sweepstakes.** She had a nice entry of 5 puppy dogs and 4 puppy bitches, with all being present! From the Junior Dog 15 to 18 months class, Tonnie selected **Abbedale Life of Riley at Glengariff** (Ch. Abbedale Bob’s Brother x Ch. Abbedale Posh Spice), bred by Joan Eckert and owned by Judy and John Laffey and Joan Eckert, as her **Best in Sweepstakes.** From the Junior Bitch 15 to 18 months class Tonnie selected **Fishback Sho-Me Whatcha Got** (Ch. Abbedale Brass Tacks x Miller’s Sho-Me Polished Amber), bred and owned by Susan Miller Hall and Fran Westfall, as her **Best of Opposite Sex in Sweepstakes.**

The regular Specialty classes were judged by Sue Goldberg. Six class dogs were present for a four-point major and 4 bitches were present for 2 points. There were 6 specials in attendance. The judge selected the following winners:

- **Winners Dog and Best of Winners: Abbedale Life of Riley at Glengariff** (Ch. Abbedale Bob’s Brother x Ch. Abbedale Posh Spice), bred by Joan Eckert and owned by Judy and John Laffey and Joan Eckert

- **Reserve Winners Dog: Fishback Tom Terrific** (GCH Dignpop Dash of Panache x Ch. Fishback Forget-Me-Not), bred and owned by Susan Miller Hall, April Clark and Amy Grace Clark

- **Winners Bitch: Foursquare Dibs On You** (Ch. Abbedale Brass Tacks x Wynward Foursquare Run The Hoops), bred and owned by Jeri Hoppe and Elizabeth Fujikawa

- **Reserve Winners Bitch: Fishback Sho-Me Whatcha Got** (Ch. Abbedale Brass Tacks x Miller’s Sho-Me Polished Amber) bred and owned by Susan Miller Hall and Fran Westfall

- **Best of Breed: GCH Camio’s Educated Exemplar** (Ch. Abbedale Brass Tacks x Ch. Camio’s Educated Guess), bred and owned by Catherine A Rogers

- **Best of Opposite Sex: Ch. Barnstable’s Dreamcatcher** (GCH Barnstable’s Dare To Dream x Ch. Den-Mar’s Tangerine At Barnstable), bred by Sandra H. Stemmeler and owned by Lynn and Jeri L. McClure

- **Select Dog: GCH Dunbar’s Heir Apparent** (GCH Yarrow Venerie Ol King Cole x Ch. Dunbar’s Runaway Bride), bred and owned by Joan Schurr Kefeli

- **Select Bitch: Fishback Hat Trick** (Ch. Fishback Flap Jax x Fishback Sweet P), bred and owned by Susan Miller Hall and April Clark

- **Award of Merit: GCH Sho-Me Mischief** (GCH Fishback Hard Tap x Miller’s Sho-Me Polished Amber), bred by Fran Westfall and Susan Miller Hall and owned by Fran Westfall and Amy Grace Clark

- **Award of Merit: Ch. Taliesin Double Brass** (Ch. Ter-Haven Bold As Brass x Ch. Abbedale Take Two At Taliesin), bred by Joan Eckert and John and Lisa Sons and owned by Annie Bone and Lisa Sons

- **Best Bred By Exhibitor: Fishback Tom Terrific** (GCH Dignpop Dash of Panache x Ch. Fishback Forget-Me-Not), bred and owned by Susan Miller Hall, April Clark and Amy Grace Clark
• Best Amateur Owner Handler: Abedale Life of Riley at Glengariff (Ch. Abedale Bob's Brother x Ch. Abedale Posh Spice), bred by Joan Eckert and owned by Judy and John Laffey and Joan Eckert

• Best Puppy: Piccadilly Jewel's Red Maverick (Piccadilly’s Bets Es Black Bark of Troy x Piccadilly's Royale Crown Jewel), bred and owned by George Besbekis

NTCGC Sweepstakes and Supported Entry

Sunday February 23, 2014
Sweepstakes Judge: Louise Leone
Breed Judge: Toddie Clark (filling in for David Kirkland)

• Best in Sweepstakes: Abedale's Over The Top (Ch. Abedale Bob’s Brother x Ch. Abedale Posh Spice), bred by Joan Eckert and owned by Pamela Bohn and Joan Eckert

• Best of Opposite Sex in Sweepstakes: Foursquare Dibs On You (Ch. Abedale Brass Tacks x Wynward Foursquare Run The Hoops), bred and owned by Jeri Hoppe and Elizabeth Fujikawa

• Winners Dog: Abedale's Over The Top (Ch. Abedale Bob's Brother x Ch. Abedale Posh Spice), bred by Joan Eckert and owned by Pamela Bohn and Joan Eckert

• Reserve Winners Dog: Taliesin Twice As Nice (Ch. Abedale Brass Tacks x Ch. Abedale Take Two At Taliesin), bred by Joan Eckert and John and Lisa Sons and owned by Joan Eckert and Lisa Sons

• Winners Bitch and Best of Winners: Taliesin Two Times A Lady (Ch. Abedale Brass Tacks x Ch. Abedale Take Two At Taliesin), bred by Joan Eckert and John and Lisa Sons and owned by Joan Eckert and Lisa Sons

• Reserve Winners Bitch: Dralion's Addison Vanderwoude (Ch. Abedale Brass Tacks x Ch. Dralion's Whimsical Dreamer), bred by Peter and Linda Dowdle and owned by Donna Vanderwoude-Dyment

• Best of Breed: Ch. Taliesin Double Brass (Ch. Ter-Haven Bold As Brass x Ch. Abedale Take Two At Taliesin), bred by Joan Eckert and John and Lisa Sons and owned by Annie Bone and Lisa Sons

• Best of Opposite Sex: Ch. Barnstable's Dreamcatcher (GCH Barnstable's Dare To Dream x Ch. Den-Mar's Tangerine At Barnstable), bred by Sandra H. Stemmler and owned by Lynn and Jeri L. McClure

• Select Dog: Abedale Life of Riley at Glengariff (Ch. Abedale Bob's Brother x Ch. Abedale Posh Spice), bred by Joan Eckert and owned by Judy and John Laffey and Joan Eckert

—James C. Kinney, Inverness, IL (james.kinney@comcast.net)
SHOWFRONT

2014 Show Calendar:
NTCA and Regional NTCA Clubs (as of February 7, 2014)

Jan. 3 – NTCA Supported Entry - Desert Empire Terrier Club of Southern California, Empire Polo Grounds, Indio, CA. Breed judge: Janie Bousek


Feb. 23 – NTCGC Supported Entry/Sweepstakes - International Kennel Club, (Benched). Breed Judge: David Kirkland. Sweepstakes Judge: Louise Leone


April 10 – NTCA Supported Entry - Northern California Terrier Association, Expo Center, Sacramento, CA. Breed Judge: Mary Jane Carberry


April 18 – NTCA Supported Entry/Sweepstakes- Columbia Terrier Association of Maryland Inc. Maryland State Fairgrounds, Timonium, MD. Breed Judge: Elliott B. Weiss. Sweepstakes Judge: Dr. Phyllis Giroux


June 14 – NTCGC Supported Entry- Great Lakes All Terrier Association. Lake County Fairgrounds, Grayslake, Il. Breed Judge: Virginia Latham Smith

July 11 – NTCA Supported Entry-Bexar County Kennel Club,Inc. Freeman Arena at AT&T Center, San Antonio, TX. Breed Judge: Randy Garren

July 12 – Lone Star Norwich Terrier Club Specialty/Sweepstakes-Comal County Kennel Club. Freeman Arena at AT & T Center, San Antonio, TX. Breed Judge: Mrs. Dennis (Mary Lou) Kniola. Sweepstakes Judge: Susan Miller Hall

Aug. 24 – NTCA Supported Entry/Sweepstakes-Sammamish Kennel Club. King County Marymoor Park, Redmond, WA. Breed Judge: TBA. Sweepstakes Judge: TBA


Dec. 7 – NTCA Supported Entry – North Texas Terrier Club. Dallas Market Hall, Dallas, TX. Breed Judge: TBA

Dec. 13 – NTCA Supported Entry –Richland County Kennel Club. Expo Center, Cleveland, OH, Breed Judge: TBA

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

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Things are looking up!

We’re ready for summer fun

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