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IMPORTANT NOTICE ABOUT THE NNTC DIRECTORY OF BREEDERS AND STUD DOGS

In an effort to reduce *News* publication and postage costs, the NNTC Board of Governors at its February 27, 1999 meeting decided that the *Directory of Breeders and Stud Dogs* will be mailed just once a year (with the first issue of the *News* for that calendar year) to NNTC members and *News* subscribers. So please safeguard your copy, keep it in a puppy-proof place, and remember where you put it! Should you manage to lose/misplace your *Directory*, don't despair. Both Wayne Palmer (Breeder Referrals Chair) and I have "back-up" copies available. —AGF

**** DEADLINE FOR THE WINTER 1999 NEWS ****

The DEADLINE for all contributions to the Winter 1999 *News* is SEPTEMBER 15, 1999. I have chosen this mid-September date for two major reasons: (1) to avoid *News* editors having to work on the Winter issue during the Thanksgiving-Christmas holidays, as has been the case for the past three years when the deadline was November 15; (2) to avoid sending the *News* bulk mail during the Christmas season, the busiest time of the year at the U.S. Post Office. Last year, I received numerous complaints about late-arriving or non-arriving issues mailed in mid-December.

To assure timely publication of the *News*, articles and photos received after September 15 will be held for the Summer 2000 issue. Thank you for your cooperation. —AGF

FROM THE EDITOR...

"What's happened to the *News*?!", you may well have wondered as you plucked your Summer 1999 issue from its mailing envelope. "Where are the color photos that have adorned the front and back covers for the past 2 1/2 years?" There is a simple explanation for this vanishing act: COST. In an attempt to reduce "red ink," NNTC Board members voted at the February meeting in Chicago to discontinue all color photos (which are *considerably* more expensive to reproduce than black and white) and to send the *News* bulk mail for the 1999 subscription year.

Although I understand and support the Board's budget-conscious vote, I confess to feeling twinges of nostalgia for the color-photo covers as I put together this issue. Throughout almost its entire 37-year history, the *News* has been an all black-and-white publication. Still, to me, the splash of color front and back added a "touch of class."

I have more serious reservations about bulk mail. Each time the *News* has used this ultra-economy system, I have received significant numbers of complaints from *News* readers about late-arriving or never-arriving issues—and then have had to send replacement copies first class. The Board decided to continue with bulk mailing as a one-year experiment. So if you do not receive your *News*, please let me know. Should ultra-tardy or non-arrivals prove an on-going problem, the Board may reconsider this cost-cutting measure for the 2000 subscription year.

As always, I want to thank all those NNTC members and *News* subscribers who contributed articles and photos for this issue. Without you, there would be no *News*. There are, however, two areas where I need to post "Help Wanted" signs: Norfolk photos and Breeder Updates. For reasons unknown to me, Norwich owners send *many* more photos of their beloved prick-ear companions than do their Norfolk counterparts. If the *News* is to give equal photo coverage to each breed, Norfolk owners must start sending me lots more pictures!

I hope also that more NNTC Norwich and Norfolk breeders will send Breeder Updates. Under such headings as "Kennel Origins," "Kennel Reports," "Kennel Updates" and, since the Winter 1996 issue, "Breeder Updates," this section has been part of the *News* from 1962 to the present. For the past five or more years, however, I have noticed a steady decline in the number of NNTC members reporting their homefront and showfront news. Why? As with Norfolk photos, I have no explanation. Reports on new litters, tips on puppy-raising and breed health, news of exciting show wins can make for informative and lively reading. But if participation continues to stagnate, perhaps it is time to bid farewell to this long-standing *News* tradition. As a "history buff," I would find that sad. So please, NNTC breeders, share your knowledge and experiences with the *News* in future issues. Thanks.

— Alison G. Freehling

SHEILA MONCKTON

From my friend Roger Thomas of the Isle of Man comes the sad news of the death of long-time English Norwich breeder, Sheila Monckton, on March 25, 1999 at age 89. Mrs. Monckton, who bred Norwich under the "Jericho" prefix since 1937, was one of England's top breeders in the 1950's and 1960's. In Roger's words, she not only had a "great influence on Norwich stock," but was also a "wonderful lady." The Winter 1999 *News* will include a fuller tribute to Mrs. Monckton, who has been an Honorary member of the Norwich and Norfolk Terrier Club for many years. —AGF

**ATTENTION: THE NEWS NOW HAS AN
E-MAIL ADDRESS!**

As the 20th century draws to a close, your *News* editor finally has an e-mail address! Effective immediately, all *News* articles may be sent to me at nntcnews@hotmail.com. You may also send articles by fax (606-879-0734) or by mail—whichever means of communication works best for you. Thanks very much. —AGF

FROM A NEWS SUBSCRIBER. . .

The *News* welcomes constructive letters from our readers commenting on articles in previous issues. Norfolk owner Elise Lufkin, who sent the following note, is the author of *Found Dogs* (Howell Book House), a collection of true stories with great photographs about “strays who landed on their feet.”

“I read with interest ‘Cutting Nails. . . Another Way’ (Winter 1998 *News*, p. 12), and it worried me. I realize that Blair Kelly does warn readers about leaving the dremel too long on one spot, but I don’t think he emphasized strongly enough that this is a power tool and can be dangerous. I know two experienced wood cutters who have had nasty cuts when a dremel slipped. I’m sure it is a very useful tool, but one that should be handled with great care. I don’t like to think of an inexperienced person using it on a squirming terrier.”

— Elise Lufkin, P. O. Box 2997, Ketchum, ID 83340

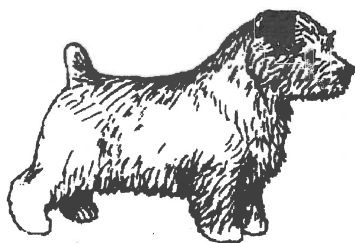
**ANOTHER NNTC MILLENNIUM PROJECT:
NORWICH AND NORFOLK QUILTS**

In addition to Norwich and Norfolk millennium calendars, NNTC Notions chairperson Karen Whalen has another great project for the year 2000. She would like to put together a Norwich and a Norfolk quilt (one for each breed if enough people participate), which would hopefully be ready in time to be raffled at the 2000 Montgomery County Specialty. All talented NNTC members and *News* subscribers are encouraged to send Karen **as soon as possible** a 12” x 12” muslin square—either painted, appliquéd, embroidered, whatever medium you choose—featuring a Norwich or a Norfolk. Karen will have these squares sewn together and machine-quilted. Raffle tickets will be available at \$2 each or 6 for \$10. Karen has participated in a dog club quilt project before and says it was not only great fun, but also that the finished product was beautiful and a super fund-raiser. For more information about this project, call (602-992-8833), fax (602-979-6082), email (mwhale56@cybertrails.com) or write Karen Whalen, P. O. Box 82935, Phoenix, AZ 85071-2935.

P. S. Karen is hard at work on the 2000 calendars, but still **needs more photos**, particularly holiday photos (Valentine’s Day, Thanksgiving, Christmas, etc.), of both Norwich and Norfolks. So please send her your best ‘shots’ **as soon as possible**. Unlike the *News*, Karen reports that she has received more good Norfolk than Norwich photos; but she would like additional pictures of each breed.

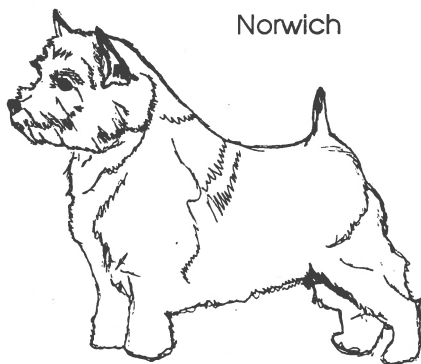
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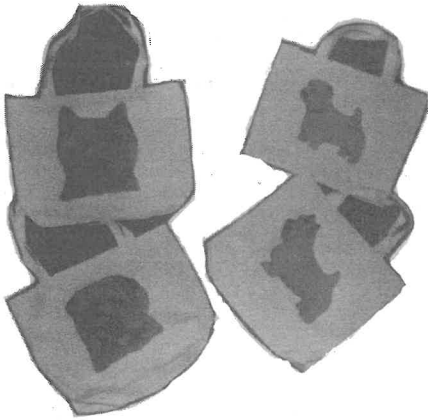
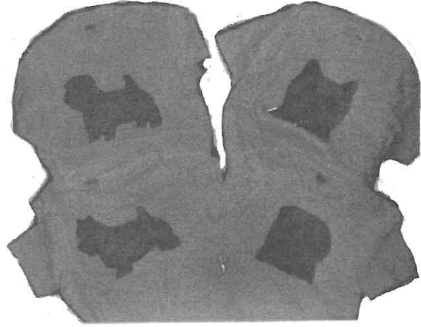
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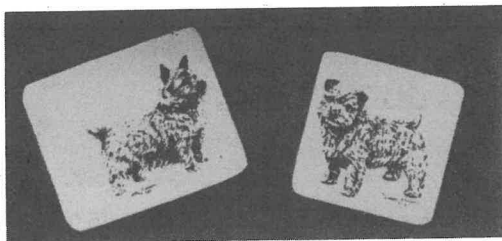


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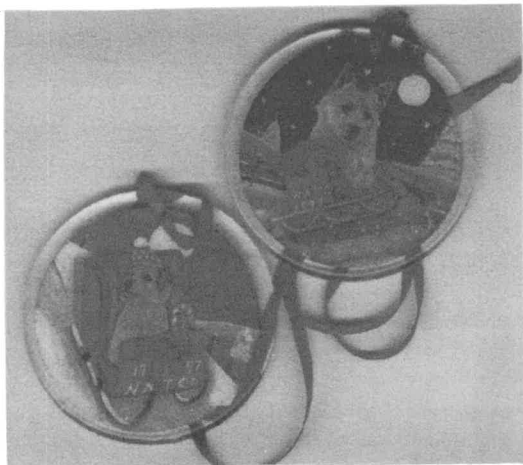


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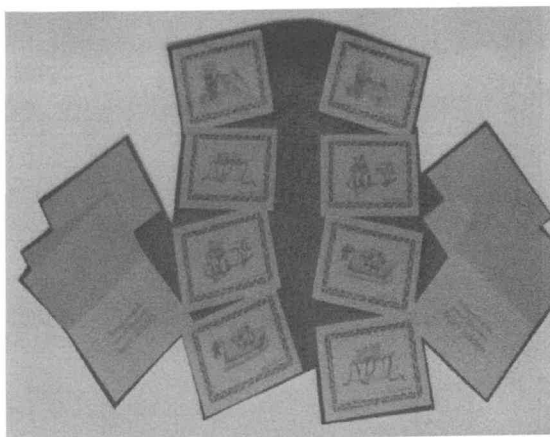


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Watch the afternoon "soaps"



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Go to ground



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*Hunt for buried treasure
at the beach*



Photo: Jane Bradley

Stay cool in the pool



Photo: Jessica Block

"Hang out" with your best buddy

1998 OBEDIENCE TITLES AND NNTC OBEDIENCE, TRACKING AND VERSATILITY AWARDS

Although 1998 saw a slight rise in the number of Obedience titles earned by our breeds, there has been little change in the very small number of NNTC member-owned dogs who finish these titles. Sixteen Obedience titles were completed by Norwich and Norfolks in 1998. Seven Norwich earned the Companion Dog (CD) title; two earned the Companion Dog Excellent (CDX) title. Of these nine Norwich titles, only three CDs went to members' dogs. Norfolks finished seven Obedience titles: five CDs and two CDXs. Of this total, one CD and one CDX went to a member's dog. Neither breed earned Utility Dog (UD) or Utility Dog Excellent (UDX) titles in 1998.

For the first time in many years, one of our breeds earned a Tracking Dog (TD) title. Congratulations to NNTC member Olive Hobbs and Norwich **Abbedale Bilbo Baggins TD** for this accomplishment!

- NNTC medals for Obedience titles go to the following dog/member teams:

Companion Dog Titles

- **Aven-Port Eastend Arfur CD**, a Norwich owned by Fay Stengler
- **Roebell's Action Newsmaker CD**, a Norwich owned by Beverly Knoll
- **Ch. Top Drawer's Lucie Furr CD**, a Norwich owned by Meredith Dwyer
- **Tylwyth Just Shaelyn CD**, a Norfolk owned by Mary D. Fine

Companion Dog Excellent Titles

- **Ch. Tylwyth Just Riley CDX**, a Norfolk owned by Mary D. Fine

- The following dog/member teams won NNTC Cups/Trophies in 1998:

Pam Riker Trophy (Tracking): **Abbedale Bilbo Baggins TD**, a Norwich owned by Olive Hobbs and Joan Eckert

River Bend Trophy (Obedience)

- Norwich: **Aven-Port Eastend Arfur CD**, owned by Fay Stengler, with 13 points
- Norfolk: **Tylwyth Just Shaelyn CD**, owned by Mary D. Fine, with 19 points

Versatility Award: **Ch. Reidmar Sweet Georgia Brown ME, CGC**, a Norfolk owned by Susan M. Ely

(Remember that the NNTC River Bend trophies are restricted to dogs that do not have a U. D. title or that earn points while completing a U. D. title. The NNTC adopted this rule to prevent the trophy from going year after year to the same dogs that are being campaigned for rankings.)

— Mary D. Fine, 66 Ellise Rd., Storrs, CT 06268-1424

SUMMER 1999 OBEDIENCE REPORT

More new horizons for our breeds: a note from NNTC member Olive Hobbs of Ohio brought news that her Norwich, **Abbedale Bilbo Baggins TD**, co-owned with Joan Eckert, is now working toward his TDX title. If he is successful, "Bilbo" would be the second Norwich ever to earn a TDX. Another of Olive Hobbs' Norwich, **Chidley Peregrin Took** ("Pippin"), gained his American TDX in 1983 and his Canadian TDX in 1992. To date, no Norfolk has a TDX.

From Virginia, Meg Lockwood writes that her Norfolk, **Ch. Southhampton's Winnie the Pooh NA**, completed her CD title in Maryland in December. "Winnie" earned her title in four shows; a "nap" on a long sit exercise prevented her from doing it in three straight.

It isn't often that Norwich and Norfolks are written up in *Front and Finish* (the national obedience publication), so it was a pleasant surprise to find one mentioned in a column written by a respected judge. This Norwich, **Brush Run's Bestfriend**, owned by Carol Deckard, finished a CD with amazingly high scores and possibly a Dog World Award. Unfortunately, I have no further details since I am not familiar with either this dog or his owner.

In California, we have a new triple-titled Norfolk. **Ch. Andover Miner Detail SE**, owned by NNTC member Richard Rourke and Laurie Rossi Sherick, completed his CD in December. It's terrific to see a dog that is obviously keen on earthdog work (SE title) also getting an obedience title. This once again puts the lie to the ancient myth that obedience training "breaks the spirit" of a terrier.

A multi-titled Norwich, **Skyscot's Oliver Twist and Shout NA, CGC** ("Ollie"), owned by Susan Novotny and her husband Scott Laidig, has also completed his CD down in Florida. This versatile Norwich is now competing simultaneously in obedience and agility and already has two legs toward his Open Agility title. "Ollie" is apparently an agility whiz and loves the difficult weave poles. He got his CD in five trials with very respectable scores. It won't be long before "Ollie" has his Open Agility title as well. [Ed.: For more about "Ollie," see Scott Laidig's letter and photos on p. 19 of this *News*.]

The Murphys of Oregon have earned yet another Norwich CDX, this one on **Ch. Margo's Prim 'n Proper Pixie**, who finished the title in October.

In Texas, **Aven-Port Eastend Arfur**, owned by NNTC member Fay Stengler, now has his CD with nice scores. My Winter 1998 Obedience column had reported his first two legs. Another Norwich, **Dunbar's Montgomery Find**, owned by Pam Lorenzen of Iowa, has also now attained his CD from the Novice B class.

My Norfolk, **Tylwyth Just Shaelyn CD**, now has a first CDX leg. Unfortunately, she seems determined to employ unique delaying tactics to keep herself from completing the title. In recent shows, such tactics have included stopping in the middle of the retrieve over the jump to stick her nose into a knot hole in the 2-inch board (well, there might have been a mouse there) and giving into an overwhelming compulsion to lick the broad jump boards (I'm not going to try to justify that one).

Late-breaking news: there is another triple-titled Norfolk in New Jersey! **Ch. Pinchbeck Sam Browne SE**, owned by NNTC First Vice-President Sue Ely, has just earned his CD. "Sam" is simultaneously working toward his Master Earthdog title and already has some of his ME qualifying scores. His dam, **Ch. Reidmar Sweet Georgia Brown ME, CGC** also owned by Sue, received a NNTC Versatility Award in 1998. Clearly, "Sam" won't be far behind!

I should probably point out that it is *not* necessary to be a NNTC member to write me with news about your dog's obedience achievements. Only NNTC members are eligible for club obedience awards, but news is welcomed from anyone!

— Mary D. Fine, Storrs, CT

Ed.: For News readers not familiar with the various title abbreviations mentioned in Mary's article, I offer the following guide (in alphabetical order): CD=Companion Dog, CDX=Companion Dog Excellent, CGC=Canine Good Citizen, ME=Master Earthdog, NA=Novice Agility, SE=Senior Earthdog, TD=Tracking Dog, TDX=Tracking Dog Excellent. I hope I haven't overlooked any!

—AGF

NOTES FROM RESCUE AND REHOME

It seems as if I'm still playing the Dating Game! There is a blessed serendipity in this Rescue and Rehome "business" which brings me wonderful people and needy dogs simultaneously. An example of this happy confluence was a call I had from a woman here in New Jersey who had two Norfolks and a violently allergic baby. There was no question that the dogs had to be placed, but first I had to convince her that they could not be placed together. My experience with Rescue and Rehome has taught me that one dog will bond quickly to a loving new situation; whereas two, having each other, will not make the effort as readily.

I called the dogs' breeder, who agreed with me. Now all I had to do was find two homes. I went to my book. There were two ideal homes with people who had recently lost their Norfolks. Introductions ensued and in just a few weeks, the dogs were rehomed. One of the new owners, Toby Winter, wrote that although she and her family were "heartbroken over the loss of [a] beautiful seven-year-old Norfolk," they were "thrilled with Augie West. . . he is also a beautiful example of the breed. . . very quiet and stretches and growls like an elegant lion when he wants our attention." Already Augie has brought "joy and smiles to every member of our family." Ilene Tetenbaum, who took Augie's half-sister, is equally thrilled. She called after the first day to say this was the dearest dog she could have imagined.

I could provide almost weekly updates on the home where I placed my own bitch, Pinchbeck Midnight Train (Middy). There is no end to the joy Audrey Mullin and her daughter, Kyle, get from owning her. Whether it is looking at her baby photos, or walking in the woods, or swimming in the pool, Middy is never far from the center of their loving attention.

My "business" is not always Norfolk either. I had a call from a delightful, retired Marine officer, Robert, in South Carolina. He and his wife were moving to Hawaii, which has a quarantine period for dogs. The last time he had moved there, the family's dog had died in quarantine. He did not want to risk this happening to their Norwich, Kekoa (Little Warrior). Robert also did not want to ship the dog to a new owner. When I searched for a home near enough, there in my book was Jeannie Wong, a horsewoman in Florida. She had called in early January; Robert called in March. I hope to hear from her soon as to how Kekoa is faring.

I continue to get a lot of inquiries—at least four or five per day. Not everyone makes it into my book of prospective owners. Some I talk into getting a different breed; others do not find the prospect of an indefinite wait for a Norfolk or Norwich appealing. I do a lot of educating about our breeds. I urge you to call me about older puppies, retiring bitches, or stud dogs if you are looking for the right new home. We have been blessedly free of actual rescues, but please watch for newspaper ads and stay in touch with your local humane society. We're all in this together!

— Sue Ely, 85-3 Mountain Top Rd., Bernardsville, NJ 07924



Photo: Jane Bradley

"What's this CAT doing on my TV?"

LITTLE TEETH, BIG PROBLEMS

Whew! What is that horrible smell coming from your dog's mouth? Could it be time for a visit to the dentist? Imagine how *your* mouth might smell if you hadn't had clean teeth for years or, worse yet, if you had *never* brushed your teeth!

The veterinarian is your dog's dentist. A dental checkup should be part of the yearly physical exam given along with the vaccinations. Your dog should be checked for cracked or injured teeth, retained deciduous (baby) teeth, abscesses, tartar and, most importantly, periodontal (gum) disease.

Periodontal disease is the most common canine health problem, affecting more than 80% of adult dogs. Signs of periodontal disease are bad breath, tartar, receded gums, gingivitis (gum infection) and tooth or bone loss. Small dogs like our Norfolk and Norwich Terriers seem genetically more predisposed to periodontal disease than larger breeds. A soft diet speeds up the onset even more.

Periodontal disease can lead to a variety of serious health problems, particularly infections in other parts of a dog's body. Bacteria from the infected gums can enter the bloodstream and spread to the liver, kidneys or heart. Our little terriers are prone to endocarditis (heart valve disease) with secondary mitral valve regurgitation, leading to congestive heart failure. Recent research suggests that periodontal disease in humans may be a greater risk factor for heart disease than smoking!

Does your Norfolk or Norwich have periodontal disease? Look for signs such as tartar, facial swelling, recessed or red, inflamed gums, loose teeth and, possibly, nasal discharge. Old, small-breed dogs will occasionally have joint inflammation or erosive arthritis. Dogs with advanced periodontal disease may find chewing their food difficult or painful. They may become anorectic, resulting in malnutrition and weight loss. Dental pain may also affect a dog's behavior.

What can be done about canine periodontal disease? Twenty years ago, veterinarians had two options: ignore it or extract teeth. Today, veterinary dentistry involves sophisticated equipment, preventive procedures, drugs, even special foods. There are veterinary dental specialists who perform endodontics, tooth reconstruction or tooth replacements. But every veterinarian can clean and polish teeth and help you learn to take care of your dog's teeth at home. Often when a dental problem is successfully treated, owners think their dog has turned into a whole new pet. Dogs may show a marked improvement in energy level and temperament.

The first step toward healing periodontal disease is a thorough veterinary teeth cleaning ("dental prophylaxis"). This should be done for Norfolks and Norwich beginning at age two and every 6 to 12 months thereafter. An ultrasonic scaler is used to remove tartar on the teeth and below the gum line. The dog's teeth are polished, just as at your dentist's! Antibiotics may be given to your dog before and after the procedure. Although general anesthesia is usually necessary, the risks can be decreased by using modern drugs which allow rapid recovery and have minimal effect on a dog's heart, kidneys and liver. Among the safest are isoflurane gas (also used in human surgery) and new injectable anesthetics such as Propofol which have a reversible "antidote" (given to wake the dog up immediately). To further reduce risks, many veterinarians recommend blood tests and chest x-rays for older dogs before giving anesthetics. An IV may be placed for the dental procedure, and heart and oxygen monitors are used while the dog is asleep. With these precautions, almost all dogs can safely undergo a short procedure like teeth cleaning.

After your dog's teeth are cleaned, you will want to prevent future periodontal disease by brushing daily with a soft toothbrush and *canine* toothpaste. Human toothpaste foams too much and may cause dogs to vomit. Use small circular strokes at a 45-degree angle to the gum line, working from the front of your dog's mouth to the back. Puppies can learn to accept gentle handling and opening of their mouths at six weeks of age. Begin brushing as soon as a pup will allow a small brush to be placed in its mouth.



A newly-formed Veterinary Oral Health Council (VOHC) recognizes products which control plaque and tartar by giving them a special seal—the equivalent of the American Dental Association Seal of Approval. This seal can be found on pet food (Hill's Prescription Diet t/d®), enzymatic pet toothpaste, Nolvadent® oral rinse, "Gumma Bone" (Nylabone Products), "Booda" and "Yapple" toys (Aspen Pet Products) and "Kong" toys. These last four products are examples of "dental self-care."

Two new methods of periodontal disease treatment involve antibiotics. The first is Heska™ Periodontal Disease Therapeutic. After teeth are cleaned, a type of long-lasting material is inserted beneath the dog's gum line. The second technique is the use of "pulse therapy"; antibiotics are given orally for five days every month, perhaps for years.

If you have more questions about your pet's teeth, please contact your veterinarian as soon as possible. Canine dental advice is also available on the Internet. One good site is www.petdental.com. Remember, dental health leads to a longer, happier life for your terrier!

— Kim Hennessy, DVM, 244 Barneston Rd., Honey Brook, PA 19344

NNTC member Kim Hennessy, DVM, is a 1981 graduate of the Purdue School of Veterinary Medicine. She practices small animal medicine in the Philadelphia area and particularly enjoys dentistry, dermatology and surgery. She has many Norfolk and Norwich Terrier patients at her veterinary practice. After meeting (among others) "Oliver" Resovsky, "Rusty" Wetherill, "Bear" Schlesinger, and Missy Wood's puppies, Kim had to have a Norfolk or a Norwich of her own. Pinchbeck's Puddin'-head Wilson ("Nigel"), a seven-year-old Norfolk bred by Sue Ely, now lives with Kim and her husband Joel on an 11-acre farm with four horses and four cats. In April, Nigel competed in his first terrier trials, where he excelled at go-to-ground.

DOUBLE TROUBLE WITH TEETH

In my short piece, "An Eye for a Tooth," in the Winter 1996-1997 *News* (Volume 1, p. 12), I wrote about retained canine teeth and included a picture of my Norfolk, Ollie, showing both sets

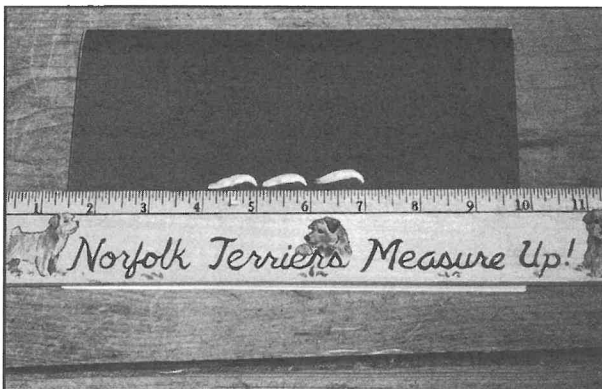


Photo: Sue Ely

of his upper canines, baby and adult, firmly in place. In this *News*, a photograph is worth a thousand words. The three inch-long baby teeth you see here belonged to my Norfolk puppy, Harry. In fact, there were four, but one broke upon extraction. There is no better argument for keeping an eye on a young dog's mouth and for telling those who buy your puppies to do the same!

— Sue Ely

"My, Harry, what big (baby) teeth you have!"

"ANNIE'S" TEETH ARE PEARLY WHITE

"Annie's" owner, Catherine Scott, sent this photo and note about her Norwich's bedtime



Photo: Catherine Scott

"Annie's" bedtime routine

routine—a daily brushing with an extra-soft "Bugs Bunny" child's toothbrush, which "Annie" preferred to the larger and harder-bristled "doggy" toothbrush. Catherine writes, "We believe in prevention and our human dentist (and dog lover) told us to start brushing right away" so that "Annie" would "get used to it as a pup. . . . I can't tell you how much joy Annie has brought into our life. She's my first Norwich, and I wouldn't even consider another breed. She has become a goodwill ambassador in our neighborhood. People come over and inquire; most of them guess she's a Cairn."

— Catherine Scott, 131 S. Orange Drive,
Los Angeles, CA 90036

NEW DRUGS FOR BEHAVIOR DISORDERS: HELPING YOUR CANINE FRIEND COPE

There are two new drugs that have recently been approved by the FDA for use in dogs. The first, Anipryl, deals with a condition known as canine Cognitive Dysfunction Syndrome (CDS). Dogs with CDS show various signs of confusion and other behavioral changes that are not a normal part of aging. A dog may often seem disoriented, wandering aimlessly in the house or yard or become "stuck" in corners or behind furniture. He may have difficulty finding the door or fail to recognize familiar people or familiar commands. Another sign of CDS may be fewer interactions with the family: the friendly greeting and the desire to be petted are no longer there. The dog may sleep more during the day and be very restless at night, often wandering and pacing and barking for no apparent reason. He may no longer ask to go outside, and soiling accidents become increasingly frequent.

These symptoms are not necessarily part of the normal aging process but are believed to be the result of chemical changes that affect the brain function in older dogs. In studies, 70 to 75% of pet owners reported their dogs improved in at least one clinical sign after having been on Anipryl for one month.

Resist the urge to tell yourself that "Fido" is just getting old if he exhibits some of the above symptoms. A thorough physical exam and consultation with your veterinarian may be of benefit to your senior citizen. Although Anipryl does not work for every dog, many dogs are having their "golden years" brightened by this new drug therapy.

The second new drug, Clomicalm, has been approved for the treatment of separation anxiety in dogs. Dogs with separation anxiety become extremely stressed as they struggle to cope with the discomfort of being separated from their owner. During your absence, this increased level of stress may cause your dog to bark and whine, urinate and defecate, and/or engage in destructive chewing and digging behavior.

Unfortunately, there is no “quick fix” for dealing with separation anxiety. The use of Clomicalm must be integrated with behavioral modification training. All family members must be onboard and understand what it is they are trying to accomplish. Remember, your dog is not urinating on the rug or chewing the couch because he is mad or spiteful; he is extremely agitated and anxious at having been left alone. You need to restore his confidence by reinforcing desired behavior while at the same time never reprimanding him for destructive acts that might have occurred during your absence.

If you feel your dog is suffering from separation anxiety, please feel free to make an appointment to discuss the behavior with your veterinarian. Clomicalm, plus some simple suggestions on how to interact with your dog before leaving, upon returning, and while at home, may make a huge difference in your dog’s quality of life.

— Carol Falk, 13 Moulton Rd., Peabody, MA 01960

DR. PADGETT’S SEMINAR ON CANINE GENETICS

On the Friday evening of the International Kennel Club of Chicago Cluster shows, the Norwich and Norfolk Terrier Club of Greater Chicago hosted an all-breed seminar, “Canine Genetics for the Concerned Breeder.” Our presenter was the well-known and respected George A. Padgett, DVM, Professor of Pathology at Michigan State University. Dr. Padgett’s generic health survey was the basis for the Norwich health survey I did for the NNTC in 1995.

Seventy-nine “concerned breeders,” some from as far as Alaska, gathered to hear Dr. Padgett speak. The central theme of his presentation was the control of canine genetic diseases by breeders and breed clubs. He began by discussing genetic diseases/defects and their mode of inheritance. The paragraphs of my report between the quotation marks are direct quotes from Dr. Padgett.

“Genetic diseases in dogs have been with us for a long time. In fact they probably started when dogs evolved many millennia ago. Because dogs are biologic mechanisms, as are people and all other living things, they are subject to mutations. As a general rule, mutations are negative; that is they tend to alter some characteristics of the dog that make the animal less able to weather variations in the environment. Some mutations occur in various tissues of the body, but do not involve the reproductive cells. We call these somatic mutations. They do harm to the body—for instance cause a cancer to develop—but are not passed to the next generation. We will not concern ourselves with mutations of this type. We will concern ourselves with those traits that are passed to the offspring via the gametes—the sperm and the ovum. These are the traits that are a boon to the breeder if they are desirable and the bane of the breeder if they are detrimental.

Sometimes it is easy to tell whether a condition is genetic; but at other times, especially if there are only one or two cases, it is very difficult to determine whether it is or not, and, in the final analysis, you may not be able to state with certainty that a trait is genetic in origin.

For traits that repeatedly occur within a breed, the first question to ask is ‘Is it familial?’ While there are many situations in which a disorder occurs in multiple members of a litter, in most instances, the disorder will not recur in spaced litters unless it is genetic. Genetic traits must follow family lines and they do occur in multiple widely spaced litters.

My view is that a trait that is known to be inherited in your breed, in other breeds, or in other species should be considered to be inherited in your dog unless proven otherwise. Ask yourself whether the mode of inheritance of the trait is known.

If the mode of inheritance that occurs in your kennel or line is known in your breed, your problem is straightforward. If you follow the principles that I lay out, you can control the trait.

If the mode of inheritance is not known in your breed, but is known in another breed, it is less straightforward. For the most part, the mode of inheritance in one breed is likely to be the same in another breed, even though there are good examples where that is not true. It is the most reasonable course to follow in attempting to adjust the situation. The best, of course, is to urge your breed club to determine the mode of inheritance of the trait of your breed.

If the mode of inheritance in dogs is not known, but it is known in other species, you are left even more uncertain of the way in which to proceed. Nevertheless, the mode of inheritance for a given trait is most often the same even between species. Here it is even more important that a breed club play a role in generating accurate information about the trait in dogs in general and in their breed in particular.

National breed clubs, the parent clubs, are the groups one would most naturally think would be most concerned about genetic diseases in their dogs. They are the ones that control the standards for each breed, they hold the Specialty shows and matches, and virtually all have voting rights with the AKC. All of them somewhere in their constitution or bylaws or other such documents say words to the effect that at least one of their goals "is to improve the breed and bring its natural qualities to perfection." To me, that means you make every effort to produce healthy winning dogs. Not just healthy dogs and not just winners—they must fit together: healthy, winning dogs.

Historically, control of genetic diseases was never part of the responsibilities of a breed club, so the vast majority have never done anything about genetic disease. About half the Specialty clubs have a genetic or health or breed improvement committee, but most of these committees haven't done a heck of a lot. About half of them have an education committee or its equivalent, and many of these committees plan and hold seminars. Most of these seminars are on movement or breeding a winning dog, or for judges to better understand conformation, or to achieve more effective training. A few are on behavior and fewer yet are on genetic disease and its control.

If we wish to do anything about the control of genetic diseases on a breed-wide basis, we have to add a dimension to the role of the breed clubs. We should not throw away what the clubs have been doing and we shouldn't change what they are doing, at least not very much, because that's the fun of dogs. That's why we are breeders. That's why we travel tremendous distances—sometimes clear across the country to attend a Specialty show. But, clubs can accept additional responsibilities if they sincerely wish to improve their breed and bring it to its greatest possible perfection."

Dr. Padgett went on to address the following subjects: the development of pedigrees, modes of inheritance, probabilities, the interpretation and use of pedigrees to determine the genetic status of given dogs, the interpretation and use of pedigrees to determine the probable mode of inheritance of a trait, test-mating, registries and prioritizing genetic diseases.

If I have whetted your curiosity about everything Dr. Padgett had to say, you're in luck because he has just published a book, *Control of Canine Genetic Diseases* (Howell Book House), based on his seminars. This book is available through your local bookstore or through Amazon.com. In my opinion it is a must for every serious breeder's bookshelf. Read it, think about it; agree with him, disagree with him; talk about it with fellow breeders. Solidify in your own mind what goals you want the Norwich and Norfolk Terrier Club to set, what path you want your club to take to get control of the genetic diseases and defects that affect our breeds. Then write the NNTC Board members, speak your mind at the members' meeting, let our leadership know what your wishes are.

— Carol Suggs, 3076 Pearl City Rd., Freeport, IL 61032

Ed.: Carol Suggs was a founding member of the Norwich and Norfolk Terrier Club of Greater Chicago and currently serves as NNTCGC Secretary. She and her husband, Robert Suggs, have bred "Half-A-Bob" Norwich Terriers since 1980. Carol will be the Norwich Sweepstakes judge at the 1999 NNTC Montgomery Specialty. —AGF

SOME MISCONCEPTIONS ABOUT WORKING TERRIERS

Two different incidents of “*This is Tyke?!?*” provided the topic for this article. It took a moment and the added “but she’s so sweet and friendly” before I figured out what each person meant. They both seemed to assume that because Tyke was a “huntin’ dawg” who had earned a Junior Earthdog title and a Certificate of Gameness and who also killed vermin, she must be... dangerous, if not downright raving! I hadn’t realized that those who are not familiar with working terriers still have such misunderstandings. I would like to try to debunk a few of these thoughts.

I remember talking to someone about how much fun den trials can be. Her response was “Make my dog go down that dirty hole, scented with (shudder!) rat urine?”

Make them? If your dogs are lucky, you *let* them. You can certainly see that dogs who are allowed to play this wonderful game LOVE it. Yes, dirty bedding soaked in water is used as scent. But that scent is barely dribbled down the earth, not sloshed in by the bucketful. A dog’s nose is so much more sensitive than yours that only a little scent is needed. Besides, you don’t want them to think that ‘Godzilla Rat’ lives down there.

People have also mentioned the possibility of a working terrier damaging its coat. My thought is, if your dog’s coat is damaged working in an artificial or natural earth, that dog has a poor coat. A correct terrier coat may need a bit of brushing to remove dirt or burs in the furnishings. I remember laughing at the cocklebur collection my Norwich, Tiger, picked up in a morning’s woodchuck hunt years ago. Five minutes with a comb and he would have been ready for the show ring.

What about disease or injury? Aren’t the odds of a dog being exposed to disease higher when he is in close quarters with hundreds, perhaps thousands, of dogs at a conformation show? Keep your vaccinations up to date!

Injuries *can* happen in natural hunting situations. As the “brains” part of the hunting team, it is your job to minimize the risks. Don’t overmatch your dog or let him get into places where you’re not confident you can get him out. I have passed up “hot” holes because they were not safe for my dogs to enter or to dig—under cement floors, for instance. Taking a first-aid kit, as well as eye drops, a bandanna, and a water bottle, is a good idea when you go out with your dog. In artificial dens, the dog and quarry are separated by steel bars and a cage so they can’t come in contact. By the way, the rats aren’t bothered in these events. I’ve seen them curl up and go to sleep!

Could your dog’s innate “prey-drive”, having been awakened, turn toward other pets or people—or even their own puppies? This misconception puzzles me the most. You do have to be careful with a dog working ‘full blast’, just as you do in other exciting games like playing ball or tug-of-war. When I introduce novice dogs to quarry, I touch them often and speak to them so that they are used to being part of the team *and* to being ‘turned off’ as well. I stop any jealousy shown toward

another dog and also teach “no kitty”, “no bird”, etc.

I have sent along a photo of Tyke with her most recent varmint. The possum was 29 inches long and weighed about 6 pounds. Tyke is 9 1/2 inches and 10 pounds. She didn’t get a scratch in this hunt. I made the kill. Tyke found, treed, bayed and drew her prey.

— Kate Kenny, 1203 Kearney,
Port Huron, MI 48060

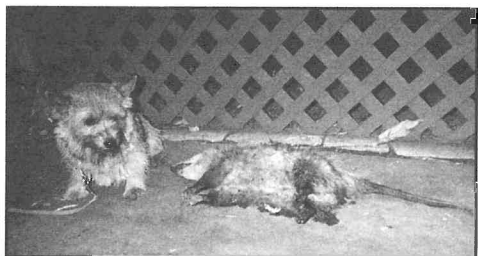


Photo: Kate Kenny

“Tyke” and her vanquished prey

Ed.: Kate Kenny is the newly-elected President of the American Working Terrier Association (AWTA). In her "introduction" to members, printed in the Spring 1999 issue of Down To Earth (the quarterly AWTA newsletter), Kate notes that she has owned Norwich since 1972, been an AWTA member since 1985 and "chaired and co-chaired trials." Already an AKC Earthdog judge, Kate also hopes to become an AWTA judge some day. Congratulations to Kate and thanks to NNTC go-to-ground enthusiast, Sue Ely, for sending me her copy of Down To Earth. —AGF

"OLLIE," THE NORWICH AGILITY WHIZ

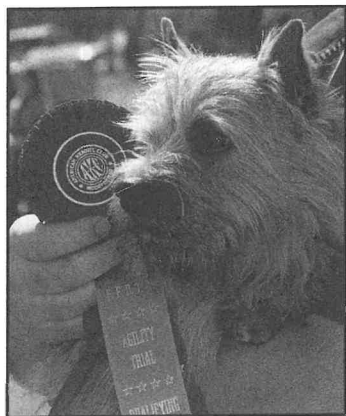


Photo submitted by Scott Laidig

"Ollie" checks out his qualifying ribbon in Open Agility

Thanks to Scott Laidig for sharing this letter and photos of "Ollie" with the News. —AGF

Ms. Freehling, Please find enclosed some pictures of our favorite Norwich, **Skyscot's Oliver Twist & Shout**, CD, NA, CGC. He will be four years old this May.

Ollie is trained by Susan Novotny, my wife. Ollie is Susan's second CD dog, the other being our Chesapeake, Joshua. However, Ollie is her first NA (Novice Agility) and, with only one more leg needed, may be her first OA (Open Agility) dog.

Ollie is a joy to train. He learns very quickly and while he has a mind of his own, he is very competitive and loves training. We have many agility obstacles in the backyard and he often practices, particularly the A-frame, the teeter-totter and the dog walk, without any prompting. He loves the tunnels and the contact obstacles. While his

jumping style is not the best, you would never know it by looking at the picture we have enclosed.

We hope you can use the pictures in some upcoming edition of the *News*. Mary Fine suggested we send them to you, and, of course, we are indebted to Ollie's breeder, Leslie Becker, for permitting us to share Ollie's life.

— Scott Laidig, 3713 Ceylon Dr., Gulf Breeze, FL 32561

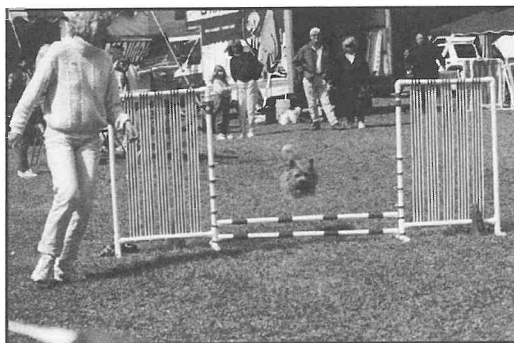


Photo submitted by Scott Laidig

*"Soaring to new heights:"
Ollie and owner/handler Susan Novotny*

PUPPY TRAINING TIPS

The Winter 1998 *News* included Obedience instructor Connie Cleveland's tips on teaching young puppies to "sit," "down," and walk on leash looking up at their trainer (a prelude to "heel"). This second part of Connie's article, reprinted from the March-April 1995 *Golden Retriever News*, covers "recalls," "directed running" and "directed retrieves." Most of these aspects of Obedience training require another person to help with the puppy.

AROUND THE OBEDIENCE RING: INTRODUCE PUPPIES TO OBEDIENCE (PART II)

By Connie Cleveland

I do not teach my puppies to *stay*. It's far too boring for both of us. But just because they will not (cannot) stay doesn't mean the games do not continue. I engage the help of another person, or holder. This person's job is to contain my puppy while I walk away.

With the help of a holder, *recalls* are easy. Leave your puppy in a sit. I generally place my holder on her knees behind my puppy, either holding his collar or in some fashion gently restraining the puppy. Keep the puppy's attention on you while you leave. Run or skip or talk excitedly as you go. When you turn and call, the holder releases the puppy. The puppy needs to think it is fun to watch you and be eager to have the holder release him at your call. One of the biggest problems I see in adult obedience dogs is a lack of interest or a distractedness when the owner is walking away. This is a great time to avoid that habit because you do not need to worry about the puppy breaking the stay.

The next game I play is called *directed running*. This is an extension of the recall and an introduction to *directed jumping*. Put a barrier between you and the puppy that the puppy can get around in either direction. Leave the puppy with the holder and run around one end. Use a directed jumping signal to call the puppy to you. Generally he'll follow the path you took. Make a huge fuss over him when he gets to you. . . .

After a few days of directed running, I put bars from my bar jump on the ground as a simple introduction to the equipment. Now the puppy runs around and over the bar. Soon it is time to see if he really understands direction or is just chasing me, so I step over the barrier and then signal, waving my arm, getting the puppy excited, but not allowing the holder to immediately let go. After the puppy has had a chance to look at the signal, I give him the command to come or jump and the holder lets the puppy go. If my puppy runs the wrong way, all excitement stops. I stop cheering and there is no treat. I walk back to the holder, who takes the puppy, and we start again. "Hmmm," the puppy says, "how come everybody stopped having such fun? . . . What went wrong?" I have seen puppies who got so good at this game and cared so much for the treat that when the cheering stopped, the puppy turned on his own and ran back to the holder as if to say, "Let's start over; something went wrong."

Another version of directed running can be set up in the pattern of a *broad jump*. After a few days, the puppy understands the path. ("If I run over the jump, past my owner, around the barrier and back to my owner, I get the treat—and I can even do a front at the end!")

Chasing a thrown object is no problem for most terriers, but they do not always bring it back. When your puppy picks up the object, run away from him to get him to chase you with it. Do not take the object from the puppy when he gets to you. Admire his prize, pet the puppy with the object in his mouth, but don't be in a hurry to grab it. If you take it away immediately, he will be less inclined to come to you. I do not use food to entice my puppy back to me because he will often drop the object when he sees the food. . . .

I am not afraid to let my puppies play with dumbbells. Big dumbbells are too awkward for a puppy to pick up any other way but correctly. I give them dumbbells because I have too often seen

older dogs who adore tennis balls or training dummies but are less enthusiastic about dumbbells. To avoid a preference for play over "work" objects, I let my puppy play with every object that I will later expect him to retrieve. . . .

As soon as my puppy is keen to retrieve an object (the puppy can have a favorite, that's the one I'll use, recognizing that today's favorite might not be tomorrow's favorite), I will start to teach him a signal or line to the object as I would in the *directed retrieve*. I drop the object on the ground and lead or carry the puppy a short distance away. Then, on my knees, with the puppy in front of me, I give him a signal or line to the object. I do not let my puppy go until he is focused on the object and lunging to go for it. If he is not that interested, find a more exciting object or put the game off a few more weeks until he has had more thrown retrieves. The most important aspect of the directed retrieve is to teach the puppy to look where you are sending him.

Retrieve games with a terrier are countless. You can teach your puppy to hunt and be persistent by throwing objects into more difficult locations. They do not need to be long retrieves, but retrieves that require some courage and determination. Do not play any retrieve game too much, and always quit sooner than the puppy would have you stop.

I have not written about every game or situation that I might introduce to my puppy. However, I hope I have given you some ideas. With a little creativity, you can show your puppy hand signals, finishes and much more. Most importantly, remember what you are trying to accomplish: a communication base with your new puppy. He is learning to learn and that learning is fun. A puppy who is not afraid to try to solve problems can become a dog who is a joy to train.

Ed.: I thank NNTC member Carl Schrader for submitting Connie's article to the News. Again, any NNTC member or News subscriber wanting advice or assistance as they introduce their Norfolk or Norwich to Obedience, Earthdog or Agility, feel free to call (864-944-2511) or write Carl Schrader, 3 Wave Ct., Salem, SC 29676.

TAIL DOCKING: ANOTHER VIEW

Ed.: The following poem and article tell of "Cori", America's first long-tailed Norwich champion. As you will see, owner Anna Bellenger's (Devondale) attitude toward docking tails differs from that of Barbara Miller's article, "Tail Docking: An Issue," in the Winter 1998 News (pp. 26-27). For Cori's photo, see New Title Holders, p. 42. —AGF

Cori

I flew to Switzerland for a weekend
Brought 4-month "Cori" home
A month to settle in, become my friend
Then off that tail would go!
A good two months for the tail to mend
Said my local veterinarian.
A show here, one there, for practice we'll attend.
But at six months and one day
A four-point major came her way.
Next time out, yet another!
Was she on a happy trend?
Could she be the first long-tail Norwich champion?

At thirteen months of age, Cori did indeed become **Ch. Little Tramont Licorice**, having gone Reserve Winners Bitch at both 1998 NNTC National Specialties (California and Montgomery County) and Reserve ten times to majors!

Along the way, I heard many comments on the *pros* and *cons* of tail docking. I would like to say that Cori is a very sound 12-pound bitch with full dentition, a great bite, a dark eye and a dead-on topline. She moves like ‘gangbusters’, has no health problems and is full of attitude. She loves to show! With so many European countries (such as Switzerland) banning tail docking, I feel we American breeders should re-think our standard to make docked tails “optional.” I have grown to like Cori’s long tail. It sure is easy to grab as she dives under the sofa! If I had docked her tail, I heard that the best time would have been during teething because she wouldn’t have noticed it missing as much.

I will undoubtedly dock her pups unless, of course, one is very small. One can always hope for a small one!

— Anna Bellenger, P. O. Box 449, Unionville, PA 19375

AN AIRPORT TRAGEDY

It is with great difficulty that I relate the following story, but I do so in hopes of preventing this from ever happening to another Norwich or Norfolk owner...

My husband, Ty, and I own three Norwich bitches, all with bloodlines from my friend Jill Rourke’s Ji-Ro Kennels in Snohomish, Washington. In mid-October, 1998, Jill and I decided to pool our resources and to continue a quality breeding program by importing a Norwich stud dog from England.

Jill had been in contact with Martin Phillips of Jaeva Kennels for months and in early November, she flew to England. After two weeks of viewing Norwich, going to dog shows and visiting with breeder Gillian Ford (Wickworth), Jill purchased and brought home to Washington two Jaeva Norwich—a two-year-old, black and tan male named **Jaeva The Magician** (“**Dennis**”), who had two Challenge Certificates, and a younger bitch. We were so excited about co-owning Dennis and planned to begin campaigning him early in 1999. He was so elegant and so full of personality that we had big dreams and hopes for 1999.

In December, Jill and I decided to fly our “new hope” to a young professional handler in Denver, Colorado, whom we had met at a Rapid City (South Dakota) dog show in October. This young man had excellent handling skills, was very personable, and our Norwich had truly liked him. Before putting Dennis on the plane, Jill got his necessary health certificate and booster shots and also had her veterinarian insert an avid micro-chip. On December 16, Dennis left Seattle on a non-stop flight to Denver. From that moment on, our dreams became a nightmare.

The handler met Dennis at the Denver International Airport. The little dog had soiled his bedding, so the handler put a show lead on him and took him out of his airline crate. Just then, a stranger approached to pat Dennis. Upset by all the commotion, our Norwich pulled back, slipped out of the show lead, and was off and running. He ran out of the airport terminal, through the cargo doors and into a secured, fenced area outside. Airport employees saw him there several times that night and again the next day (December 17); but every time someone tried to pick Dennis up, he would run off. Early on December 18, Jill flew to Denver, convinced that if Dennis heard her familiar voice, he would come to her. For three days, Jill, the handler and many others searched for Dennis, but never saw any sign of him.

By December 21, we felt certain that somebody had taken Dennis home. The handler appeared on television to plead for Dennis’ return and to offer a \$2,000 reward. *The Denver Post* ran a front-page article; Dennis’ story was on the radio and the Internet; hundreds of flyers with his picture were posted all over the Denver area. The Colorado Veterinary Association sent letters to all

veterinarians with Dennis' description and picture and also his avid micro-chip number. Denver Kennel Club members, dog tracking clubs, airport security and even the Denver Police Department all took part in an extensive search for our Norwich—but all to no avail.

On December 23, the professional handler received a phone call, allegedly from a Canadian who claimed to have landed in Denver on his way to California for Christmas. He told the handler he had bought a black and tan Norwich from a man at the Denver airport. He knew the dog was a Norwich Terrier, he said, because he and his wife had one at home. We all thought, "Thank God, we've found our Dennis!"

Many phone calls later, our hopes turned to despair. The man said his wife was in love with Dennis and they were taking the dog back to Canada. If we wired money to Western Union in San Francisco, he would consider returning Dennis to Denver on United Airlines. I immediately called Canadian Customs and the Border Patrol; the handler called United Airlines in California; Jill called the San Francisco Police. We decided not to wire any money until Dennis had been turned over to either the airport authorities, the police or a veterinarian. When we told the man this, he became furious, told us we would never see Dennis again, and slammed down the phone. He never would give us his address or phone number. After speaking with police detectives, we believe this man was in Denver the whole time. Most likely, he was a scam artist who had gotten the information about Dennis off the Internet and was trying to extort money.

As of today, we still don't know the whereabouts of our little Dennis. Even his dead body would provide some sort of closure to our on-going nightmare. This tragedy has taught us some lessons which we would like to share with other Norwich and Norfolk owners: (1) Never put a show lead on a dog in an unsecured area; it is too easy for a dog to slip out of this type of lead and escape. (2) Even if the bedding is soiled, do not take a dog out of his airline crate at the terminal; wait until the dog is home or in a confined area. (3) Never use the Internet to locate a lost dog; information on the Internet allows cruel scam artists to take advantage of your plight.

Jill and I were so heartbroken about losing Dennis that we considered giving up—no more breeding or showing. But with spring arriving, we'll pull ourselves up by the old boot straps and go on loving the Norwich breed and watching for that special one.

— Betty Loendorf, Chukela Norwich Terriers, 2479 Trask Circle, Worden, MT 59088-2222

LOST AND FOUND: NORFOLKS' BARKING ALERTS RESCUERS

Two young Norfolk Terriers are alive and well after being lost and buried under snow with their owners for twelve days in the Cascade Mountains of Washington. One of the dogs' owners, Diane McManus, 44, did not survive the ordeal. The other, Diane's 50-year-old husband, George Back, was found alive, but in critical condition. Yet their tough little dogs still had the strength and energy to bark loudly, alerting rescuers. Two-year-old Keeper (Sirrius Keeper) and his one-year-old full sister, Justine (Sirrius Just in Time), are credited with saving George Back's life by attracting help days after search parties had given up hope.

The tragic ordeal began on January 26 when Diane and George, with the Norfolks tucked into their jackets, set out on a short snowmobile trip in the Fish Lake area. The first-time snowmobilers became lost in a sudden storm that dumped three feet of snow in a few hours. Their vehicles bogged down in the deep drifts, and the couple was not able to walk out. Extensive air and ground searches over the next week failed to find any trace of them. These searches were called off several times due to continuing storms. An estimated 50 to 60 inches of snow fell during the twelve-day period, completely burying the couple, the dogs and the snowmobiles.

On February 7, four men out snowmobiling several miles from prepared trails heard barking and saw two small dogs peeking out from a hole in a snow drift. They also saw a boot sticking out of the snow. The men looked into the hole and found George Back, who was incoherent, delirious and suffering from severe frostbite. They then found Diane McManus' body nearby. The dogs were shivering, but otherwise had suffered no apparent physical harm other than weight loss.

Experts credit the Norfolks' survival to their genetic heritage, good physical condition, and unique canine physiology. Dr. David Robertshaw, a professor at Cornell University and a specialist in thermoregulatory physiology, theorized that the Norfolks, who were both in full coat, were able to maintain their body temperature because of the excellent insulation of their moisture-resistant coats. Humans, in contrast, are dependent on clothing that becomes useless if wet from sweat or melted snow. Dr. Hal Jenkins, a veterinarian with more than 30 years in small animal medicine, also believes the Norfolks' evolution in the cold, damp British Isles allowed them to survive in conditions which would have killed a warm-climate breed. Because Norfolks were bred to work outside in cold, wet weather, Dr. Jenkins said, they have an innate tolerance for these conditions.

According to Dr. Robertshaw, the Norfolks' good physical condition also played a key role in their survival. A physically fit animal or human has a "well-tuned cardiovascular system which, in addition to being acclimatized to cold, will definitely help withstand frostbite." This particular physiological mechanism is known as "cold-induced vasodilation," Dr. Robertshaw explained, as is seen in fishermen who work in cold water handling fish.

Since the dogs remained active, their heat production would have stayed elevated and would have helped to offset hypothermia, Dr. Robertshaw noted. "Humans, on the other hand, tend to become inactive when faced with a dangerous situation and this is certainly not in their best interest." George Back said the dogs moved in and out of the snowdrift he was buried under, but never far away, although the couple kept them snuggled inside their jackets as much as possible.

According to Dr. Richard Hill, Waltham Visiting Assistant Professor of Clinical Nutrition at the University of Florida, the particular metabolism of canines was another factor in the dogs' survival. Dogs are adapted to use fat more readily than humans, he noted, and burn ketones more efficiently. Dr. Hill further explained that dogs use glycerol from fat as a glucose precursor in a complicated enzyme interaction that seems to correlate with sensitivity to starvation.

Dr. Jenkins noted that, in the wild, canine metabolism is designed to live off body reserves between periods of feasting and fasting. "We've turned them into 'three-squares' creatures," he said, "but dogs can easily go for days without food." Dr. Jenkins predicted that Keeper and Justine could have survived more than two weeks without food, as long as they had water and were in very good condition at the start, with normal liver and thyroid functions. The Norfolks quickly taught themselves to eat snow to provide the water they needed, George Back said.

After the rescue, the dogs reportedly refused to leave their surviving owner until he was loaded onto a helicopter for transport to the hospital. Keeper and Justine were first cared for by a member of the search and rescue team, but are now living with friends of George Back's. At first, the two Norfolks were skittish, easily spooked by noises, and clung to family members. However, they soon settled into the household routine and are nearly back to normal now.

George Back is still hospitalized, recovering from the amputation of both legs due to severe frostbite. He is to begin rehabilitation, and will bring his Norfolks home as soon as possible.

—Marilynn Bubb, ASU Box 872402, Tempe, AZ 85287

Ed.: Marilyn Bubb, a former journalist, is now an administrator in the Department of Anthropology at Arizona State University. She has owned Norwich Terriers since 1978 and currently has two rehomed adults, a male Harley (who, Marilyn notes, is a champion and "studus emeritus") and a female, Cara Sue, a retired broodbitch. —AGF

NORWICH AND NORFOLKS “OUT AND ABOUT”

Ed.: The following trio of News vignettes have a common theme: Norwich and Norfolk owners sharing fun adventures with their canine companions. Each demonstrates the versatility and “joie de vivre” of our little terriers, their capacity to enjoy all sorts of outdoor and indoor adventures with “their people,” both here and abroad. —AGF

I. MISSY’S DAY

This poem by *News* subscriber Judy Fort was written in honor of her Norwich, Devondale’s Mistress Marmalade (“Missy”), who, Judy writes, has been the “Perfect Dog Supreme” for her and her husband, Tom. Last summer, Missy got her CGC (Canine Good Citizen) and goes “everywhere dogs are allowed.” The park mentioned in the poem is a former Pittsburgh estate, comprising “about 450 acres of limited access wildlife sanctuary, with miles of fairly rugged trails for horses and hikers.”

Everyday we take a walk,
Visit neighbors, stop and talk;
But twice a week or thereabout
I see the hiking boots come out!
I run around the room and bark,
‘Cause we are going to THE PARK!
Whate’er the weather, I don’t care,
Protected by my perfect hair.
Over rock and over log,
Across the meadow, creek and bog.
Smell of mouse, of fox and vole;
There’s a woodchuck in that hole!
Once I grabbed a chipmunk, shook it!
Showed him I was Dog Triumphant!
Gulp down spoor of deer and rabbit.
(She really doesn’t like that habit!)
At last we head back to the car
And water bowl, then it’s not far
To home, where I can doze away,
Dreaming of my Perfect Day!

— Judy Fort, Pittsburgh, PA

II. “A REGULAR LITTLE NORFOLK AMBASSADOR”

NNTC member-breeder Joan Eckert (Abbedale Norfolk & Norwich) has kindly shared a November 1998 letter from Norfolk owner Mary Hummon recounting the “absolute wonder of life” with her little red male, “Trucker.” “Outgoing, social, tolerant and fearless,” Trucker “enhances our lives in an endless variety of ways”—as Mary’s account of her family’s 1998 summer trip illustrates:

“...Trucker had quite a summer. We met my sister and her family, including her Norfolk, “Toby,” at our summer home in Avalon, New Jersey, where we vacationed together for the month of July. The first two weeks of August, we all traveled together up the east coast from New Jersey to Portland, Maine, where we boarded a cruise ship bound for Yarmouth, Nova Scotia. Trucker and Toby handled this nautical experience beautifully. Once in Nova Scotia, we drove to Prince Edward

Island, Canada, for a family wedding. We stayed for one week and then turned around to do the whole thing in reverse. This amounted to approximately 4,000 miles *all together*, which is actually a very good choice of words since we did all of this with 5 children, 2 Norfolks and 2 lunatic mothers in one mini-van! By the end of this odyssey, I was ready to change Trucker's name to Trooper. I am completely delighted by the way he took that trip in stride. He was a regular little Norfolk ambassador. Everyone who saw Trucker and Toby admired them and inquired about their breed. It probably wouldn't surprise you if I confided that although wonderful, this was a pretty stressful trip! Luckily for me, I had my little "Prozac on paws." All I had to do was hold Trucker on my lap, and with a few strokes of his coat, I could feel my blood pressure go down!...

This time last year, we were making arrangements to come to Kalamazoo [Michigan] to pick Trucker up from you. It's been quite a year, with lots going on—all of it made better by the love of a little red dog. Thank you, Joan."

III. MORE LETTERS FROM "REUBEN," THE WORLD-TRAVELING NORWICH

As you may remember, Skyscot's Danzer's Reuben was the genteel, flower-sniffing Norwich whose photo graced the front cover of the Winter 1998 *News*. This dapper red male regularly vacations with doting owners Anne and Egon Heil. In his latest letters, Reuben describes his visit to French-speaking Montreal and his Christmas trip to Germany.

BONJOUR!

Remember me? I'm Skyscot's Danzer's Reuben, but my friends just call me Reuben. And do I have friends! The doorman at the Ritz-Carlton in Montreal asked to have his picture taken with me. We went to Montreal so my parents could shop for me before we went to Germany. Montreal is so French! They love dogs there and let us go everywhere. They even let me come into the Gianni Versace store where my parents bought me a scarf. The food is great there. My favorites were escargots (snails) and Eggs Benedict. Montreal was wonderful and I can't wait to go back to the Ritz. The hotel concierge came to my room with a dish of bones and a card! Well, on to Germany; I'll be in touch.

Love,
Reuben



Photo: Anne Heil

"Uh, oh! Did I eat too many wursts?"

Reuben weighing in after his trip to
Germany

GUTENDAG!

Here I am again, your friend Reuben. I just came back from Germany, where I went for Christmas.

The flight over took seven hours, but they let me ride on the airplane seat. The people in Germany are so friendly and they love dogs. All the dogs there are allowed to eat in restaurants, not just me! I wore my Gianni Versace scarf from Montreal; the other dogs were all well-dressed too. The food was so good and we were allowed to have everything that people eat. I had goose and wild boar and lots of wurst! We drove *really fast* on the Autobahn and also ate in a schloss (castle) that is hundreds of years old. Where to next? I'll keep you posted.

Love,
Reuben

"TUFFY"

Ed.: The News thanks NNTC member Mr. Charles A. Bigelow for sharing the wonderful pastel portrait he created of his Norfolk with News readers. All talented Club members and News subscribers are encouraged to send me their "doggy" artwork (Norwich/Norfolk line drawings, pastels, watercolors, oils, etc.). I wish you could see "Tuffy's" portrait in color—the pastels are so rich and vibrant; but the black-and-white version still captures "Tuffy's" charm. —AGF



Dear *Norwich & Norfolk News*:

The color reproduction enclosed is a pastel of Max-well's **Wedding Present**, better known as "Tuffy" around these parts. This little warrior is kin to all Norfolk Hunters, as he constantly is on the prowl for dangerous rabbits that venture onto his property and various other vermin including raccoons and squirrels.

To date, the rabbits are somewhat ahead, the squirrels are overhead, and the raccoons soon realized lodging would be better elsewhere.

I am the Creator of the pastel portrait and am glad to share this character with our membership.

— Charles A. Bigelow, 218 Lakeview Ave., Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236



Photo: Mauri Way

"No, I am NOT going to share my favorite toy!"

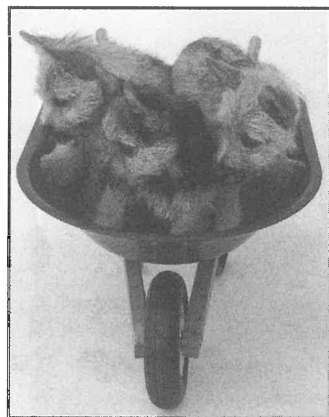


Photo submitted by Betty Loendorf

"Let's get out of this wheelbarrow and go chase that mouse!"



Photo: Georgia Crompton

"Did somebody just say my SUPPER is ready?"



Photo: Debbie Fedor

"Boy, do I hate bath day!"



Photo: Debbie Fedor

"Dad's shoes make the best chew toys."

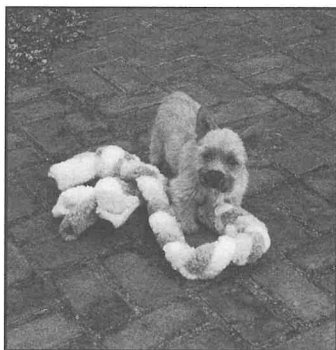


Photo: Alison Freehling

"They must think I'm a Great Dane . . . look at the size of this snake!"

THE 1999 NNTC NATIONAL SPECIALTY: A SYNOPSIS

Location: Montgomery County Kennel Club, Ambler, PA
Date: Sunday, October 10
Breed Judges: Norfolk – Mrs. Betty-Anne Stenmark (“King’s Mtn” Dandie
Dinmont Terriers)
Norwich – Dr. Sam Draper (Dr. Draper has bred Cairn Terriers,
Cocker Spaniels, Labrador Retrievers and Chow Chows during
his 63 years in dogs.)
Sweepstakes Judges: Norfolk – Mr. Anthony Gabrielli (“Domby” Norfolk
Terriers)
Norwich – Mrs. Carol Suggs (“Half-A-Bob” Norwich Terriers)

NNTC Specialty Headquarters: Comfort Inn, 3660 Street Rd., Bensalem, PA. Tel: 215-245-0100. \$95 per night, no charge for dogs. The NNTC has reserved 60 rooms for *Club members only* (The Comfort Inn has an updated list of current NNTC members). Rooms must be reserved by September 6.

NNTC Dinner: **Saturday, October 9** at the Holiday Inn, Bensalem, PA, right across the street from the Comfort Inn. Larry Adams, the talented maestro of last year’s Montgomery dinner, will again be planning our 1999 feast.

LOOKING AHEAD: THE NNTC MILLENNIUM SPECIALTIES

MONTGOMERY 2000

Breed Judges: Norfolk – Mrs. Cynthia Vogels (“Andover” Norfolk Terriers)
Norwich – Ms. Geri Kelly (“Kelly’s” Miniature Schnauzers)
Sweepstakes Judges: Norfolk – Mr. Michael Labrie (“Copperplate” Norfolk Terriers)
Norwich – Kenneth B. Sumner, M. D. (“Pair-A-Docs” Norwich Terriers)



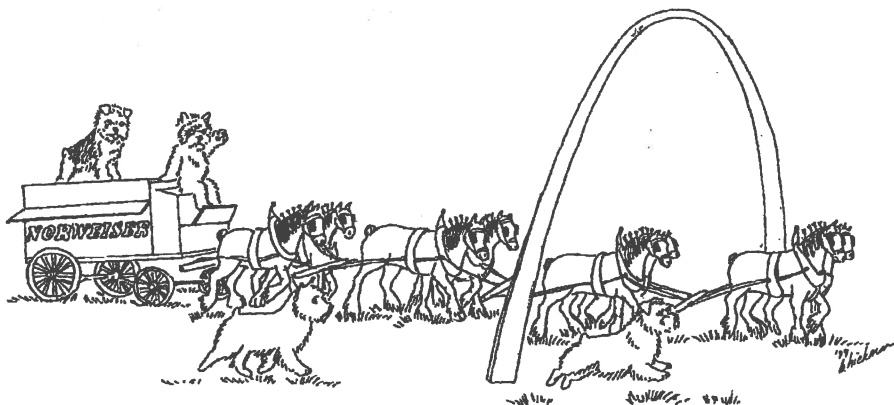
Photo: George Crompton

“I’m already practicing my Best of Breed pose.”

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Judge: Mrs. Eileen Needham (Titanium)

Sunday, May 7, 2000
St. Charles Kennel Club
Judge: to be announced

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THE NNTC SUPPORTED ENTRY IN PORTLAND, OREGON

Shortly after the Christmas-New Year holidays, I left Ohio's frozen tundra and flew to Portland to visit friends and to attend the NNTC supported entry at the Terrier Association of Oregon's January 20th show. Since my last visit two years ago, a handsome new show building has been completed, doubling the available ring space.

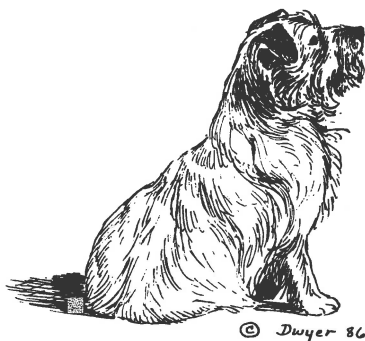
Judge Dawn Vick Hansen had a Norfolk entry of six: 2 class dogs and 4 class bitches. She chose the handsome young male, **Wonderwood's Rob Roy** (Ch. Mayfair's Rock 'N' Roll x Ch. Wonderwood's Red Reign), bred by NNTC member Jessica Relinque, Merylynnne Armi and Linda Murphy and owned by the latter two, as Winners Dog (WD), Best of Winners (BOW) and Best of Breed (BOB). **Wonderwood's Strange Brew** (Ch. Mayfair's Rock 'N' Roll x Ch. Wonderwood's Red Reign), bred and owned by Jessica Relinque, captured the 3-point major in bitches to finish her championship. This bouncy black and tan was also Best of Opposite Sex (BOS).

Eighteen Norwich were entered (1-12-5-0). The 6-9 month puppy dog, **Ji-Ro's Skyhawk** (Ch. Ji-Ro's Energizer x Debe's Avenging Angel), bred and owned by NNTC member Jill Rourke, was WD. With a 5-point major in bitches up for grabs, **Santana Surely**, bred and owner-adored by NNTC member Carole Cason, won the Bred-by-Exhibitor class and then swept through to WB, BOW, Best Bred-by-Exhibitor and BOS. Later that day, this impressive seven-month-old, at her first show, went Group First in the Terrier Sweepstakes Group under judge Vincent Grosso. "Surely" was sired by Ch. Castle-Bar Ghost Writer (who is very adept at swiping ham from visitors' sandwiches!). Her dam is Ch. Castle-Bar Tickles Santana, who was BOW at the 1995 NNTC Specialty in San Raphael, CA. **Ch. Dunbar's As Good As It Gets** (Ch. Teutonia's Viktor x Ch. Dunbar's Jet Setter) was BOB. This black and tan youngster, a long way from his West Virginia home, was bred, owned and proudly handled by NNTC member and AKC judge Joan Kefeli.

The dog shows were only a small part of the weekend fun. We shopped the booths; swept through the Pendleton Outlet; dined on fresh, local oysters in downtown Portland; and on Friday, drove through the lovely hazelnut orchards to NNTC member Franzi Corman Nidever's charming home tucked away in the Oregon forest. A gourmet cook, Franzi had a delicious hot lunch waiting, and we all had dessert in one hand and a dog in the other. For "dog people," it just doesn't get any better!

Thanks to all you dear, hospitable people from the West Coast, especially to NNTC member and friend, Barbara Pierce, whose blue van was on 24-hour transport alert, fetching us to and from the airport, the show site, and all stops between. We all had a wonderful time, and I would encourage everyone to put Portland on their schedule for next January.

— Linda Haring, Mansfield, OH



Drawing by Meredith Dwyer

WESTMINSTER 1999

(Parties; Norfolk Judging)

New York, New York, it's a wonderful town. Westminster, like Montgomery, is a time and place to meet up with friends, old and new, and to party. There were plenty of parties, starting with a grand one at the duplex penthouse of a Cavalier King Charles Spaniel breeder/exhibitor. The next evening we were off to the AKC Museum of the Dog theatre party to see "Annie Get Your Gun." Afterwards, this sold-out event moved on to the 21 Club for a late supper. NNTC member Gilbert Kahn underwrote the dinner, so that all profits went to the Museum of the Dog.

A first-time venture of two auction galleries, the William Doyle Galleries of New York and Bonhams of London, offered dog-art fanciers an opportunity to preview a marvelous collection of canine paintings which were auctioned the Tuesday afternoon of Westminster. I was a bit disappointed by the manner in which the art was displayed at Doyle's salesroom. The William Secord Gallery in New York City also has a magnificent, on-going display of canine art, all available for sale. Mr. Secord is the author of the wonderful book, *Dog Painting: 1840-1940*, now in its fifth edition.

A major treat of Westminster week is to be invited to the cocktail party at the famed Dakota (the Dakota, you may remember, is where the late John Lennon lived), hosted by well-known Poodle exhibitors. The following day, we enjoyed a delicious brunch at the Essex House, hosted by Boxer exhibitors. The American Kennel Club opened its doors once again for the public to drop in and meet those responsible for the daily running of this organization. This year, it was particularly fun to be there because these are the AKC's new offices. A bit of the "old digs" charm is missing, but, after all, we must give in a little to progress. The new AKC library is marvelous, and I do suggest that anyone visiting New York stop by to look at all the antique dog books and old trophies. Probably one of the most sought-after Westminster invitations is Iris Love's (of Dachshund fame) dinner party held at Tavern on the Green restaurant in Central Park. I must admit it was a thrill to meet Henry Kissinger as we were both reaching for an hors d'oeuvre!


Don't think all the partying tired me out for terrier judging Monday. I was up and ready to join the hordes of people trying to get closer to the rings to see their favorite breeds. Mr. Charles Foley of Massachusetts presided over both our breeds. This year, Leslie Crawley, famed Norfolk and Norwich breeder in England ("Ragus"), ventured to the States for her first Westminster. She was joined by repeat U. K. visitor Cathy Thompson ("Belleville" Norfolk and Norwich), co-owner of **Eng. and Am. Ch. Elve Nick Redthorn at Belleville** ("José"). Nine Norfolks were entered, with two absentees. Mr. Foley gave each exhibit a fair turn in the small ring before awarding "José" Best of Breed. Beth Sweigart piloted "José" for his American co-owners Pamela and John Beale. **Ch. Copperplate Wintersky Cricket**, owned by Larry Rockwell, Michael Labrie and NNTC member Freddie Jackson, went Best of Opposite Sex. **Ch. Max-Well's Cyclone**, owned by Barbara Miller, took home the Award of Merit ribbon.

Yes, the breed rings at Westminster are small, but after all folks, it is Madison Square Garden, a site that lends itself beautifully to the night-time television cameras when the Groups are held in the big arena. And where else can you find a dog-show venue with the most comfortable grandstand in the world? Neither of the Norfolk or Norwich breed winners took a spot in the Terrier Group, judged by Elaine Rigden; but they certainly made us proud as they did their individual trips around the big ring. After the final group, we were off to a supper party hosted by "Take The Lead," an organization that provides financial help to "dog people" during times of illness or other personal difficulties. There's no doubt about it. Westminster is a great party we all enjoy attending; see you next year.

— Barbara Miller, Old Brookville, NY

MORE ON WESTMINSTER 1999

Honorary Chair-Dog, Ch. Highwood's Ratfaced MacDougal ("Ratty"), kindly sent Bill and me the following invitation to the preview party for "Dogs and Cats In Art"—which, unfortunately, we were not able to attend:

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In her brief calendar of Westminster activities, "Ratty's" breeder, Nonie Reynders, describes the pre-auction party as well as several other events surrounding the Garden. Those not invited to private parties can still find lots of dog-related doings during Westminster week! —AGF

A BRIEF CALENDAR OF EVENTS AND NORWICH JUDGING

As "Honorary Chair-Dog," Ch. Highwood's Ratfaced MacDougal made a two-hour appearance at the William Doyle Galleries to host the preview of the collection of dog and cat paintings being auctioned on Tuesday afternoon, February 9. The 'invites' were sent to owners and their dogs; but news traveled fast and by 12:30 pm, owners, dogs and the general public all jammed the gallery.

Six Norwich and two Norfolks, as well as 15 to 20 other dogs, were present for the festivities. "Ratty" enjoyed the attention, and the collection of paintings by such well-known artists as George Earl, Maud Earl, John Emms and Percival Rousseau was very good. This is the first time that the Doyle Galleries and Bonhams of London have joined forces to do this kind of auction in America. They plan to hold it again next year, so don't miss it if you attend Westminster in February, 2000.

The American Kennel Club hosted an 'Open House' on Friday afternoon. The new headquarters are lovely, and the AKC has a beautiful collection of dog paintings on display throughout the halls and offices. It is quite interesting to tour the premises and visit the library. Wine, soft drinks and hors d'oeuvres are available.

"Annie Get Your Gun" was the AKC Museum of the Dog's selection for their Broadway benefit. The 21 Club hosted an after-theater dinner with table gifts from the Broadway show and playing cards from the Dog Museum. This benefit sold out early; so if you want to attend next February, call the Dog Museum this September! The benefit is usually held the Friday before Westminster.

All through the weekend, people are attending different events. There are two awards dinners, a judge's dinner, Iris Love's and Liz Smith's party at Tavern on the Green, plus many smaller gatherings by all the breed clubs having specialties at the downtown piers. Judges' organizations also hold seminars on the different breeds, which are available for a fee. Last year (1998), well-known handler Peter Green gave an outstanding lecture on the Lakeland and Welsh terriers. *During* the Tuesday show, from 10:30 am until the end of afternoon judging, Cornell University's James A. Baker Institute for Animal Health has the use of *Sports Illustrated's* sky box at Westminster. Representatives from the Baker Institute are happy to see anyone with an interest in the fancy. On the Wednesday after the Garden, Sardis hosts a luncheon for the group judges and also the canine art contest winners. Judges critique their Westminster placements and awards are presented to winning artists in the areas of dog portraiture, sculpture, etc. It is a busy week whether you judge, exhibit or own dogs, work for the Westminster club, or come just to experience the event. New York City is overpowering in itself. The hotel experience is third-rate at best, restaurants are overcrowded and overpriced, and benching a dog and trying to travel from the Garden to anywhere in NYC is a nightmare! It takes a lot of organization and patience just to get through Westminster and, quite frankly, everyone is relieved when it's over. But as 1999 progresses, like having a baby, you forget the bad parts and start to wonder who is judging Norwich in 2000!

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At the 1999 Westminster show, Mr. Charles Foley had an entry of 18 Norwich, with four absentees; he placed them as follows:

Best of Breed: Ch. **Teutonia's Viktor** (Skjoldungen Duke of Wellington x Teutonia's Xana), bred by Ruth Borinsky and owned by Sandina Kennels.

Best of Opposite Sex: Ch. **Sandina Sally Forth** (Ch. Teutonia's Viktor x Ch. Sandina Czarina), bred by Sandina Kennels and owned by Jennifer Fusco.

Award of Merit: Ch. **The Jones Boy of Kitnor** (Ch. Highwood's Ratfaced MacDougal x Ms. Sophie of Kitnor), bred by Katherine Ann Vaughn and owned by Dr. Glenn C. & Jean Kessler.

Award of Merit: Ch. **Ariel Rojo Del Sol** (Ch. Ariel Oskar Testarosa x Ch. Devondale's Mistress Marisol), bred by Anna Bellenger and Fraya Katz and owned by Karen Whalen and Fraya Katz.

— Nonie Reynders, Bedford Hills, NY.

CHICAGO—THE WINDY CITY(?)

I wouldn't have a clue if it was windy or not in Chicago the last weekend in February. Except for dinner one evening, I never stepped outside the McCormick Center, the show venue for the International Kennel Club four-day cluster. I elected to stay at the new Marriott adjacent to the Center. Susie Kipp, who had already retrieved Louise Leone, picked me up at O'Hare and then drove us to her home and kennel to see some Norfolk puppies. It was a pleasant way to begin the show weekend.

The McCormick Center is large, very large, with great lighting both natural and electric. Many buildings make up the Center. I did not appreciate this year's building as much as last year's gorgeous site right on Lake Michigan. Exhibitors' unloading was apparently easier in this year's building and there were, as always, many food courts to choose from for lunch or snacks. I understand the show committees are looking into a different building for the 2000-year event.

At Thursday's Park Shore Kennel Club show, there were 8 Norfolks entered under Dr. Alvin Krause. All had the prefix Max-Well. Come on folks, these are terrific shows! Why not support them? Winners Dog (WD) and Best of Winners (BOW) went to **Max-Well's Blizzard Junction**, who completed his championship on the day. **Max-Well's Hailstorm** was Winners Bitch (WB), **Ch. Max-Well's Christmas Joy** was Best of Opposite Sex (BOS) and **Ch. Max-Well's Cyclone** was Best of Breed (BOB).

Norwich, with an entry of 20 (3 absent), were next in the ring. **Barkwich Comeback Kid**, bred and owned by Jackie McMurray, was WD/BOW—a lovely major win. Carol Sowders' **Ketka's Admiration** was WB—another major. Susan Kipp and Jackie McMurray's **Ch. Kristil's Royal Conqueror** went BOB, with Kathy and James Attwood's **Ch. Arcadian Gem's Chrysoberyl** taking home the BOS ribbon.

The following day at Blackhawk Kennel Club, the Norwich and Norfolk Terrier Club of Greater Chicago (NNTCGC) supported the entry of both breeds, with Walter Goodman the judge. Mr. Goodman is president of the Montgomery County Kennel Club and also a director of the American Kennel Club. Again the Norfolk entry was eight, all Max-Well. **Max-Well's Rainman**, owned by Paul Schulz, Susan Kipp and Barbara Miller, was WD. **Max-Well's Hailstorm** ("Haily") was WB, BOW and BOS. **Ch. Max-Well's Cyclone** was again BOB. Later that day, "Haily" went on to capture not only the Bred-by-Exhibitor Terrier Group but also the Best Bred-by-Exhibitor in Show! Unfortunately, I was not at ringside for these exciting Bred-by wins, as I was attending Dr. Padgett's seminar on genetic diseases (see Carol Suggs' report in this *News*, pp. 16-17).

Twenty-three Norwich were entered under Mr. Goodman, with two absent. Handler Greg Strong piloted the WD/BOW, **Winsome's Just A Gigolo**, for co-owners Suzanne Orban-Stagle and Anne Buffington. **Terrapin Twyla Sharp**, co-owned by Lu Matteson and Missy Wood, was WB and BOS. **Ch. Kristil's Royal Conqueror** again won BOB.

The International Kennel Club dedicated its Saturday show to the AKC Canine Health Foundation. This year's entry was nearly 3,000 dogs each day, making it quite an event! Although the rings were large, they were totally inconvenient for spectators to observe the breeds, particularly our Norwich and Norfolks. This is the first time I have encountered this situation at the International. The handlers/exhibitors' area at the Norwich and Norfolk ring was much wider than necessary. I could not understand why spectators were not allowed into this area to talk to exhibitors and to see the dogs up close.

The NNTCGC held its ninth annual specialty show on Saturday. Robert La Rouech was the Norfolk and Norwich Sweepstakes judge. From an entry of 5 Max-Well Norfolks, 2 absent, Mr. La Rouech selected **Max-Well's Salt Water Taffe** as his Best in Sweeps. This young bitch is still a little

“green” in the ring, but her six-year-old handler, Dylan Kipp (Susie’s daughter), managed her perfectly. **Max-Well’s Twister** was BOS.

Fifteen Norwich were entered in Sweeps, with four absentees. Best in Sweeps went to **Sandina Shooting Star**, a lovely black and tan bitch owned by Gwen Warkentin. Kathy Attwood’s **Half A Bob’s Royal Excalibur** was BOS.

In the regular classes, Mr. R. Stephen Shaw had an entry of 11 Norfolks, with three absent. **Max-Well’s Twister** was WD; **Max-Well’s Hailstorm** was WB, BOW and BOS. **Ch. Max-Well’s Cyclone** repeated as BOB and later went on to a Terrier Group Four under judge Mr. Roy Holloway. I also proudly report that the RWB, **Max-Well’s Salt Water Taffe**, again handled by Dylan Kipp, won Best Puppy in Breed. “Taffe” and Dylan then teamed up to take a Puppy Group Three under judge Dr. Alvin Krause.

Mr. Shaw judged an entry of 26 Norwich, with 8 absent. Jackie McMurray’s **Barkwich Royal Heir of Huntwood**, a young dog who took my heart away, was WD and BOW. Kathy and James Attwood’s **Arcadian Dbl Down On Twelve** was WB and BOS. Once again, **Ch. Kristil’s Royal Conqueror** was BOB.

Ralston Purina hosted the Canine Health Foundation (CHF) dinner Saturday evening. There was a huge turnout of approximately 700 people. The Best Puppy in Show was judged during dinner. Since this was a charity dinner dance, I felt it was rather out of place to have the judging, and the premises did not lend themselves to such an event. Everyone was hungry, but we were further subjected to many speeches and awards being given to those within the CHF deserving of same. It seemed to go on forever, which meant the beef dinner was getting cold. When dinner did finally arrive, the beef had somehow managed to change color to a shade of gray many of us had never seen before. Big deal. . . we ate the vegetables! Believe it or not, it was still a superlative evening with everyone dressed up and mingling with friends from the fancy, knowing we were supporting the CHF. This is an event you should try to attend. I’ve been told by a CHF board member that next year’s dinner won’t have any speeches!

At the International show on Sunday, the Norwich and Norfolk Terrier Club supported the entry of both breeds. Judge Mr. Kenneth McDermott had an entry of 11 Norfolks, with 3 absentees. A black and tan bitch, *not* Max-Well bred, finally joined the entry. Where were you all? It’s nice to have competition, particularly at a Specialty and two supported entries! **Max-Well’s Rainman** was WD and BOW. **Max-Well’s Salt Water Taffe** captured the WB and BOS ribbons. **Ch. Max-Well’s Cyclone** again took BOB and then a Terrier Group Four under judge David Merriam.

In Norwich, Mr. McDermott had an entry of 22, with 4 absent. **Barkwich Royal Heir of Huntwood** was again WD, earning this young male his championship. **Arcadian Dbl Down On Twelve** was WB and BOW. **Ch. Arcadian Gem’s Chrysoberyl** took home the BOS ribbon. **Ch. Kristil’s Royal Conqueror** was again BOB.

These were interesting shows, and I encourage you all to attend next year. Each day, there was a non-regular Group, such as Puppy, Veteran, Bred-by-Exhibitor, etc. The dinner dance was loads of fun and should be supported by the fancy. If you don’t have a dog, or if your handler has your dog, the Marriott is a terrific place to stay as the hotel is attached to the show venue. There are many vendors offering all sorts of goodies for you to “shop until you drop.” Chicago is easy to get to and a super city to investigate with all its restaurants, museums, parks and, of course, Lake Michigan. Best of all, if you’re an exhibitor, you might be lucky enough to capture a ribbon and a trophy. Carol and Bob Suggs take great care in making trophy selections and should be applauded for all their efforts at these shows. I hope to see you there next year.

— Barbara Miller, Old Brookville, NY

NORFOLK & NORWICH TERRIER CLUB OF GREATER CHICAGO SPECIALTY

Norfolk Specialty Winners



*Best of Breed: Ch. Max-Well's Cyclone,
pictured with judge R. Stephen Shaw and handler Susan Kipp*



*Winners Bitch/Best of Winners/Best of Opposite Sex: Max-Well's Hailstorm,
pictured with judge R. Stephen Shaw and handler Susan Kipp*



*Winners Dog: Max-Well's Twister, pictured
with judge R. Stephen Shaw and handler
Susan Kipp*



*Best in Sweepstakes: Max-Well's Salt Water
Taffe, pictured with judge Robert La Rouech
and 6-year-old handler Dylan Kipp*

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Norwich Specialty Winners



Best of Breed: Ch. Kristil's Royal Conqueror, pictured with judge R. Stephen Shaw, handler Susan Kipp, and NNTCGC President Robert Suggs



Winners Dog/Best of Winners: Barkwich Royal Heir of Huntwood, pictured with judge R. Stephen Shaw, breeder-owner-handler Jackie McMurray and NNTCGC President Robert Suggs



Winners Bitch/Best of Opposite Sex: Arcadian Dbl Down on Twelve, pictured with judge R. Stephen Shaw, breeder-owner-handler Kathleen Attwood, NNTCGC President Robert Suggs and NNTCGC Secretary Carol Suggs



Best in Sweepstakes: Sandina Shooting Star, pictured with judge Robert LaRouech, owner-handler Gwen Warkentin and NNTCGC President Robert Suggs

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CRUFTS 1999

Terrier day at Crufts was blessed with fine weather and large crowds. The five massive halls at the National Exhibition Centre in Birmingham were in full use over the four days of this, the Kennel Club's showcase event of the year.

To many experienced exhibitors, Crufts has become "a show, but not a dog show"—though they also admit they would not miss it for the world. It is the one show in England where many go just to renew old friendships and to see people from overseas who have crossed their paths over many years of pursuing a common hobby. Terrier day is no exception to this rule, and the Norwich/Norfolk ringside was packed with enthusiasts from all points of the compass.

Norfolk judging began at 9 a.m. with Martin Phillips in the driving seat. Martin was, of course, in charge of judging both Norfolks and Norwich at Hatboro last October. So, along with his world-renowned Jaeva prefix, he is no stranger 'across the water.' A nice entry of 71 exhibits awaited him, with most of the year's top winners present and a ring large enough for a dog's movement to be well assessed from every angle.

The bitch Challenge Certificate (BCC), her second, and Best of Breed went to Jill Stevenson's 15-month-old homebred, **Brickin Just For Me** (Ch. Salette Gold Bullion x Brickin Really Smart). Jill has been in the Norfolk breed for seven years and, besides showing her dogs, also judges Shetland ponies. The dog Challenge Certificate (DCC), his sixth, went to Rita Mitchell's 4 1/2-year-old homebred, **Ch. Richell Claret** (Ch. Richell Red Ace x Ch. Richell Lady In Red). Claret stepped up one spot from his 1998 Crufts Reserve Challenge Certificate (RCC). RBCC and Best Puppy went to Cathy Thompson's **None Stop to Belleville** (Ch. Belleville Cloudvoyager x Sallywag Tail). The RDCC went to Diane Jenkins' **Kinsridge Pugwash** (Ch. Jaeva Mr. Chips x Idle Gossip of Belleville).

Norwich followed, with judge Edwina Hart (Timberfalling) taking centre stage. Mrs. Hart is known for her Norfolks and made up five champions between 1969 and 1979. A good entry of 55 exhibits awaited her and, by the end of the day, history had been made when Deborah Sexton and Michael Crawley's Best of Breed winner, **Elve Stormwizard**, took the last Crufts Terrier Group of this millennium under judge Alec James. Stormwizard (otherwise known as 'Alf') is 2 1/2 years old; this was his first CC! Bred by Michael Crawley, he is sired by Ch. Elve The Viking out of Elve Hallowquest and linebred to Ch. Ragus Leo the Lark. Stormwizard is only the second Norwich to win the Terrier Group at Crufts. The first was **Ch. Withalder Locksley** in 1970.

The BCC, and another one for the history books, went to Ruth Corkhill's 21-month-old homebred and undocked **Redash Trinket**. This was Trinket's first CC, and she is the first full-tailed Norwich to take a CC at Crufts. She is by Stormwizard's full brother, Ch. Elve Spellmaker, out of Redash Topaz.

The RDCC and Best Puppy went to Leslie Crawley's **Ragus Demon King** (Ch. Ragus Roughly x Ragus Poison Ivy) and the RBCC was taken by Maureen and Tom Chambers' **Rouletta Red Nettle** (Ch. Ragus Roughly x Penorth Little Love).

As always, Crufts was a great occasion, and your correspondent finished the day with writer's cramp and jaw ache! The numbers of overseas visitors to talk to, plus other friends in the Terrier fraternity, made the whole day quite exhausting. But just when my jaw was nearly hitting the floor, I saw American Norwich breeders Sandra Stemmler, Larry Adams and Fraya Katz sitting at ringside. We had all met last fall during my visit to judge Norwich at the Montgomery Specialty. My recovery was immediate, and another lively round of conversations ensued.

— Roger Thomas, Ramsey, Isle of Man

APRIL IN CALIFORNIA: THE SACRAMENTO SHOW WEEKEND

April is springtime no matter where you happen to be in the U. S. A. Here in New York, daffodils signal spring. In northern California, there are bunches of blooms wherever you look. Every time I've attended the Sacramento shows, the weather has been perfect. The show venue, Cal Expo Fairgrounds, is certainly large enough to accommodate the 2,500 dogs entered. The building where the three shows are held is clean and air-conditioned. Vendors inside the building and out offer a wide selection of foods to suit everyone's appetite. These shows are always a pleasure to attend.

On Friday, April 16, the Northern California Terrier Association presented its fourth all-terrier group show. Eleven terrier clubs held specialties and two had supported entries. The NNTC elected not to support or hold a specialty; but Sweepstakes, judged by Roland C. Williams, were still held for both our breeds.

Only three Norfolks entered Sweeps. **Wonderwood's Red Devil** (Ch. Skyscot's Rough Rider x Ch. Wonderwood's Strange Brew), owned by Bruce Wartlieb, was Best of Opposite Sex (BOS). "Red Devil" was bred by Jessica Relinque, who managed to break away from her restaurant in Palo Alto to attend the show. **Max-Well's Salt Water Taffe** (Ch. Max-Well's Weatherman x Ch. Max-Well's Me Molly Butternut), bred by Sandra Tait and owned by Susan Kipp and Barbara Miller, was Best in Sweepstakes.

Mr. Williams judged a Norwich entry of fifteen. His BOS, **Fairway's Tee Time** (Ch. Fairway's Sam I Am Sam x Skyscot's Daisy Miss Maize), bred and owned by Jean Bryant, came from the 12-to-18 month class. She is a lovely little bitch of good color who carries herself beautifully. Her sire, "Sam", also sired **Ch. Fairway's Spyglass Charlie**, the Winners Dog (WD) and Best of Winners (BOW) at the NNTC California Specialty in June, 1998. **Castle Hill Crackerjack** (Ch. Tinytowne Tailormade Shonleh x Ch. Castle-Bar Calypso), owned by Douglas Boucher, took home the Best in Sweepstakes ribbon. He is a typey, grizzle-colored dog in good coat. I enjoyed meeting his breeder, Roberta Hill.

Breeder-judge Cindy Vogels (Andover Norfolk Terriers) judged both our breeds in the regular classes. Ten Norfolks were entered, with Therese and Basil Kehoe's **Copperplate Buck Winston**, handled by Amy Rutherford, going WD and BOS. His sire, Ch. Wonderwood Luck of the Draw, was bred by Jessica Relinque; his dam, Ch. Mayfair Jitterbug, was bred by Kathleen Eimil and is owned by Michael Labrie. From the 9-to-12 month bitch class, **Max-Well's Salt Water Taffe**, handled by co-owner Susan Kipp, was awarded WB, BOW and BOB. As "Taffe's" other owner, I couldn't have been prouder when this young bitch captured Best Puppy in Show later that day.

Mrs. Vogels had an entry of 39 Norwich, with five absent. Her WD/BOW was the lovely red male **Huntwood's Braveheart** (Ch. Kristil's Royal Conqueror x Ch. Kristil's Short Stockings), co-bred by Debra Oster and Susan Kipp and owned by Susan Kipp. **Castle Hill Carousel**, littermate of Sweeps winner Castle Hill Crackerjack, captured the WB ribbon for co-owners Roberta Hill and Sharon Duvall. **Ch. Cobblestone's Poppy Hills** (Ch. Skyscot's Steeplejack x Ch. Fairway's Chip An A Putt), bred by Laurie Loeffler, owned by Laurie and Peter Loeffler and handled by Sally George, was BOS. Jackie McMurray and Susan Kipp happily accepted the BOB ribbon for their **Ch. Kristil's Royal Conqueror** ("Rudy"). "Rudy" is sired by the 1994 Westminster Best in Show winner, Ch. Chidley Willum the Conqueror; his dam is Ch. Dunbar's Royal Kristil. AKC director and judge Walter F. Goodman pulled "Rudy" in the Terrier Group for his final cut. It was a thrilling day!

Sacramento Kennel Club held back-to-back shows Saturday and Sunday. California judge Lowell Davis judged both breeds on Saturday. **Mayfair Winter Baron** (Ch. The Duke of Copperplate x Ch. Mayfair's Winter Rose), bred by Kathleen Eimil, owned by Kathleen Eimil, Terry Dodds and

Pat Glines, and handled by Mark George, was WD. **Max-Well's Salt Water Taffe** repeated her Friday performance by going WB, BOW and BOB. **Ch. Arroyo's Rudolph the Red** (Ch. Todwil's Tailor Made x Ch. Arroyo's Savannah Darter), bred by Susan Coley and owned by Ed and Ann Dum, was BOS. Mr. R. Stephen Shaw judged the Terrier Group and I was proud to have "Taffe" pulled.

In Norwich, Mr. Davis judged an entry of thirty-six, with seven absent. **Castle Hill Crackerjack**, Friday's Sweeps winner, was the judge's choice for WD/BOW. The BOS in Sweeps, **Fairway's Tee Time**, likewise continued her winning ways by going WB. **Ch. Kristil's Royal Conqueror** repeated as BOB, as did the BOS winner, **Ch. Cobblestone's Poppy Hills**.

Phyllis Haage judged both breeds on Sunday. She had an entry of 12 Norfolks, with one absentee. **Mayfair Winter Baron** repeated as WD and was also BOS. **Max-Well's Salt Water Taffe** was once again WB, BOW and BOB. Later that day, Terrier Group judge Elaine Rigden requested that "Taffe" join the final cut in her group ring. Considering the quality of terriers at these shows, it was indeed a thrill to have our little eleven-month Norfolk bitch pulled in the group two days!

In Norwich, Mrs. Haage judged an entry of thirty-nine, with six absent. Margurette Shoemaker's **Del Rincon Aquilo Rojo** was Mrs. Haage's choice for WD and BOW. His sire is Ch. Del Rincon Shonleh Falcon out of Ch. Castle-Bar Blithe. **Castlehill's Tynytowne Scout** (Ch. Tynytowne Tailormade Shonleh x Ch. Castle-Bar Calypso) was WB. **Ch. Kristil's Royal Conqueror** and **Ch. Cobblestone's Poppy Hills** repeated their respective BOB and BOS wins.

It was a marvelous weekend in northern California. The show venue is beautifully contained, the weather superb, the area great for shopping and restaurants. What more could you want?... Oh yes, every day both our breeds had majors! I'll be there again next April; hope you are too.

— Barbara Miller, Old Brookville, NY



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"Nalle," sire of Ch. Teutonia's Viktor, celebrates his 9th birthday at his home near Paris, France. . .

"Joyeux Anniversaire!"



Ch. Littlefield Lovenote for Becky

(Ch. Skyscot's Steeplejack x Chidley Oh Dear)

Breeders: Leandra Little & Barbara (Bee) Ege

Co-Owners: Leandra Little & Carol Gamm

"Sugar," our first homebred champion, finished at Hatboro with a 5-point major under English breeder-judge Martin Phillips ("Jaeva"). In her debut as a Special at Devon, she again went BOS. She is a credit to the breed not only in terms of conformation and movement, but also in temperament, brains and health.

Ch. Fozzlestick's Phoebe

(Ch. Highwood's Ratfaced MacDougall x Piccadilly Kissy Krissy)

Breeders: George & Elaine Besbekis

Owner: Alyson G. Cleary

"Phoebe" is a busy bundle of energy. This photo shows her winning Best of Breed at the 1997 Westchester KC show under judge Kenneth McDermott. She is now taking Agility classes and hopefully will take some time out for motherhood.



Ch. Little Tramont Licorice

(Am. & Int. Ch. Chestnut Hills Royal Blue x Ch. Little Tramont Funny Christmas)

Breeder: Helen Gisin (Switzerland)

Owner: Anna Bellenger

"Cori" is America's first long-tail Norwich champion!



Ch. Glenelg Sophia Loren
(Ch. Reidmar Mercator x Wenwagon Beatrice)
Breeder/Owner: Deborah G. Pritchard

From Best Puppy at the ANTA Spring Match in 1997, "Sophia" went on to Best Bred-by-Exhibitor Norfolk at Garden State. Handled by her owner and by Kathy Ferris, she closed her show career with a BOB and two BOS's at the Old Dominion and Middleburg shows in Virginia.



Ch. Glendale's Mr. Lincoln
(Ch. Abbedale's Clyde Barrow x Ch. Pinchbeck India Ink of Glendale)
Breeder: Linda Haring
Co-Owners: Linda & Fritz Haring

"Lincoln" began his show career by going Best in Sweeps at the 1997 NNTC Montgomery Specialty under judge Linda Plummer and finished his championship at Devon in 1998. His dam, "India," also won at Devon in 1997. We love Lincoln!

HIGHWOOD (NORWICH). This winter we had two litters in the house. One I whelped for a dear friend—three puppies sired by “Shooter” (Ch. Highwood’s Parachute Adams) out of a Gnatty daughter (Highwood’s Connemara Black). The second litter of two was out of my bitch “Weasel” (Ch. Arcadian Gem’s Smoky Quartz, bred by Kathy Attwood) and sired by “Penny” (Ch. Sandina Sandman, owned by Glorvina Schwartz). The cold weather and spring rain have been lightened considerably by the joy of puppies playing in a cozy back room. Soon it was off to the vet’s for shots. Then it was the puppies’ time to play in the kitchen and learn about sounds... dishwashers, washing machines, vacuum cleaners and the like. Introduction to the older dogs was the next adventure. They learned quite quickly to single out the younger adults and to leave the older ladies and gents to their sunny spots and their occasional grump and baring of teeth. This winter it seems I was preparing similar meals for puppies and geriatrics. . . softened kibble mixed with cooked ground meat and a powdered Pet Tab. Everyone made it through another season. Gatsby will be 17 in July, his wife Daisy is 15 and their children, Jordan Baker and Greenlight, are 12 and 11. Black Gnat will be 11 in May and it’s hard to believe, but “Ratty” will be coming out as a veteran next October. It was a good winter at Highwood. The old dogs prosper and the puppies frolic.

— Nonie Reynders, Bedford Hills, NY

MAX-WELL (NORFOLK). It’s been a good year at Max-Well. Ch. Max-Well’s Blizzard, a multiple Best in Show dog, is now living happily in Japan. I enjoyed my co-ownership with his Japanese owner in this country and trust Blizzard will continue his winning ways at the Japanese shows. Ch. Max-Well’s Cyclone has been growing up, readying himself for the show ring. In limited showing he has earned an Award of Merit at Westminster, won a couple of terrier groups, placed in a few others and picked up a regional specialty and supported entry win. Susan Kipp, his regular handler, and I are anxious to begin his career in earnest. His sire, Ch. Max-Well’s Weatherman (Storm), is at home with me. Storm’s been busy being bred to a number of bitches. As I write this update, I’m awaiting the arrival of two litters, one to Ch. Max-Well’s My Thyme and the other to Ch. Max-Well’s Weather Watch. Thyme’s litter is a repeat of Cyclone.

Margie and Michael Baldwin and family are the proud owners of Max-Well’s Radar. This twelve-week-old pup certainly will lead a great life in Buzzard’s Bay, MA. My condition for the puppy’s sale was that the new owners build a proper dog enclosure. We must tell all prospective Norfolk buyers that these little guys have a way of quickly disappearing under a fence to see the outside world. The safest way to install a fence is to have about six inches of the fencing buried in the ground. Most homeowners who already have a fenced yard do not have the fencing buried. It is those people whom I convince to build a dog run. The safety of our little guys should be foremost in our minds.

Thanks to all of you who were concerned about me. Your cards and phone calls truly helped me through a difficult time. In my mind and heart I know I will be fine. See you at Montgomery.

— Barbara Miller, Old Brookville, NY

PINCHBECK (NORFOLK). Spring has sprung and, with it, the busy season of shows, competitions, and PUPPIES! Joe Franchi’s Ch. Pinchbeck Midnight Express whelped a singleton bitch puppy by Ch. Nanfan Cat Burglar. Her departure was soon followed by the arrival of Joe’s other bitch, Ch. Pinchbeck Primrose, who whelped four—one dog and three bitches—by Ch. Pinchbeck Old Sweet Song. I don’t know who is more delighted than Harry (Pinchbeck Heads-Up Harry) who, at nine months old, is an ideal baby sitter. More about the puppies when they are out of the pudding stage!

We went to Cleveland in December, Ch. Pinchbeck Sam Browne, Harry and I, looking for leg number three of Sam’s CD. The up side of the jaunt was staying with Tony Gabrielli and Wayne Palmer; the down side was that Sam completely flatted out on me in the ring. He acted as though he had never had an obedience lesson in his life. So we went back to work, to match shows, to getting

me over my ring jitters, and, praise be, Sam qualified with a 180.5 at New Brunswick just a few months afterwards. Except for Columbia Terrier, where he will go to defend his last year's title of High Scoring Norfolk, I have promised Sam that he doesn't have to do any more obedience. Indeed I have followed up that promise by entering him in an earthdog trial (which he LOVES) in early April all the way out on Whidbey Island, WA. Sam already has one leg on his Master Earthdog, and I am looking forward to having him get at least one more at Puget Sound. Pinchbeck Pollyanna, Sam's daughter, is working hard in Open A competition and will start in earthdog events this spring. Pollyanna's son, Harry, will head for the show ring in the deft hands of George Wright.

— Sue Ely, Bernardsville, NJ

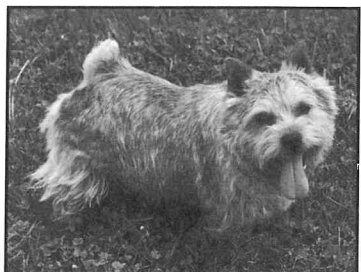
ROLLING RIDGE (NORWICH). If you have already read veterinarian Dr. Kim Hennessy's informative article on canine periodontal disease (see pp. 13-14 of this *News*), you know how important regular dental care is to your dog's over-all health. As a novice Norwich breeder in the early 1980's, I unfortunately did not know. Because I neglected my dogs' teeth and gums, two of our bitches developed gingivitis and subsequently lost several bottom incisors when they were 7 and 8 years old.

Luckily, neither of these bitches was predisposed to heavy tartar and plaque accumulation and never suffered from serious periodontal disease. Our now 11-year-old male, Tad, has not been so lucky. By the time he was born in May, 1988, I was scraping off tartar and brushing Norwich teeth and gums twice weekly, using a soft toothbrush and either Petrodex dog toothpaste or Nolvadent rinse. As long as Tad and I were home together, his teeth were pearly white. Sometimes, however, Tad was away for several months or I was away for several weeks. When he and I returned home, I always noticed how much tartar and plaque had accumulated, particularly on his upper molars and premolars, and how red and sore his gums looked. Off he would go to the veterinarian's for a thorough dental cleaning to remove plaque from hard-to-reach places.

Tad lost his first tooth, a bottom incisor, when he was 3 1/2 years old. By age 9, he had lost all his bottom incisors, four top incisors, and two premolars. For the past two years, he has not suffered further tooth loss. But despite my vigilant scraping and brushing of his teeth and gums, about every ten months he has had to be on the antibiotic Metronidazole (250 mg. once a day for 3 weeks) to combat a low-grade, chronic bacterial infection in his mouth.

From what I know about other Norwich whose bloodlines are similar to his, I am convinced that Tad's predisposition to heavy tartar and plaque build-up "runs in the family" and is an inherited/genetic condition. He has sired several litters with our own bitches; but because of this condition, I have not wanted him bred to "outsiders." Of the three Tad daughters we have kept, 3-year-old Dixie has a slight problem with tartar and plaque, not nearly as bad as Tad's but worse than our other five Norwich. I brush her teeth three times a week. Dixie's litter sister, Bonnie, and younger sister, Brownie, like the rest of our Norwich and one Dandie, have twice-a-week dental care. With so many teeth to keep clean, a degree in dental hygiene would have been more useful than my graduate work in history!

— Alison Freehling, Versailles, KY



"Have a Great Summer!"

PUBLICATIONS

NORWICH TERRIERS USA 1936-1966. Edited by Constance Stuart Larrabee and Joan Redmond Read. This is a soft-cover reprint (1986) of the original hardback book of the same title. There are many wonderful photos of early Norwich and Norfolk Terriers and breeders, profiles of influential American kennels, and articles on early Specialty and Match shows. The definitive history of Norwich and Norfolks in America during the 30 years following official AKC recognition of the breed (s). Price: \$16.50 postpaid to U.S. addresses. Send check, payable to NNTC, to Alison Freehling, 3500 Huntertown Rd., Versailles, KY 40383.

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"Jumping for Joy"