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WOULD YOU LIKE TO BECOME A NNTC MEMBER?

Are you a Norwich or a Norfolk owner who would like to join the NNTC but don't know where to start? Well, here is a brief “what to do” guide for prospective NNTC candidates. The first step is to contact the NNTC Membership Chair Carol Jordan, either by mail (604 Old Fritztown Road, Reading, PA 19607-1016), phone/fax (610-775-0792) or email (norweim@aol.com). Ask Carol to send you a membership application packet, which includes a membership application form and two sponsors' questionnaires. You complete the membership application form and forward the sponsors' forms to two NNTC members from different households who have agreed to sponsor your candidacy. Once all completed forms are back in your hands (the sponsors return their forms to you), you send them to Carol Jordan, along with a \$15 check made out to NNTC. This \$15 processing fee is non-refundable.

The NNTC offers either “single” or “dual” membership. “Dual” members are any two adults residing at the same address. Dual members are entitled to individual votes on Club matters, but receive only one copy of all NNTC mailings, including the *Norwich & Norfolk News*.

To comply with NNTC by-laws, completed application and sponsorship forms must reach the Membership Chair at least three weeks before a scheduled Spring or Fall meeting of the NNTC Board of Governors. The Board reviews each prospective member's application. Names of all Board-approved applicants are then mailed to the entire NNTC membership. If there are no objections to a prospective member during the stipulated six-week waiting period after this general mailing, the NNTC Corresponding Secretary sends a “Welcome” note announcing your admission to the Club.

Due to some confusion on this subject during the past few years, it should be noted that being a **subscriber** to the *News* does NOT mean that you are a NNTC **member**. One- or two-year subscriptions to the *News* are available to anyone simply by sending a \$15 or a \$30 check (made out to NNTC) to the editor. NNTC members receive the *News* as part of their annual membership dues. And only NNTC members may submit their dogs' photos for the *News* New Title Holders section. These are just a few of the “perks” involved in joining the Club. So now that you know what to do, send for your membership application packet today!

FROM THE EDITOR...

The year 2002 marks two milestones in our club's history—the 55th anniversary of official AKC recognition of the then Norwich Terrier Club and the 40th anniversary of the *News*. Following the defeat earlier this year of the most recent amendment to divide the NNTC, the club will carry on its 55-year tradition as a two-breed organization. With almost 60% of members who returned ballots voting in favor of separate breed clubs and almost 40% opposing the 4-year moratorium, this volatile Division issue may well recur. For the present, however, let us hope that Norfolk and Norwich owners will focus on the primary purpose of our dog club—the welfare of our dogs. It is time to be “up and doing” on the major—albeit very different—health problems affecting each breed.

As always, I thank all the NNTC members and *News* subscribers who sent articles and photos for this issue. Without your support, there would be no *News*. May you and your terriers have a scintillating summer.

—Alison Freehling

RESULTS OF THE RECENT VOTE ON NNTC DIVISION

During the month of January and early February 2002, NNTC members voted on two proposed constitutional amendments. The first proposed to divide the current two-breed club into separate clubs, one for Norwich, one for Norfolk Terriers. The other amendment proposed a 4-year moratorium on resubmitting the Division issue to the membership should Division not be approved at this time.

Neither amendment secured the necessary two-thirds “Yes” majority mandated by the NNTC Constitution. Of the 434 ballots mailed to NNTC members, 336—or 77.4%—were returned to Corresponding Secretary Jean Kessler. Four were ruled invalid, making a total of 332 valid ballots. On February 25, Jean and three other NNTC members (chosen by a Board vote) counted the 332 ballots with the following results:

AMENDMENT TO DIVIDE THE NNTC

“Yes” (for Division):	198 (59.6%)
“No” (against Division):	133 (40.1%)
Abstentions:	1 (—)

AMENDMENT FOR A 4-YEAR MORATORIUM

“Yes” (for the moratorium):	181 (54.5%)
“No” (against the moratorium):	132 (39.8%)
Abstentions:	19 (5.7%)

At present, therefore, the NNTC will not divide; but members may raise the Division issue again at any time.

Ed.: Voting results are copied from President Ellen Lucas' letter to NNTC members.

DEADLINE FOR THE FALL 2002 NEWS

The **DEADLINE** for contributions to the Fall 2002 *News* is **September 1**. There are three ways to send articles to the *News*: (1) U.S. mail: **Alison Freehling, 3500 Huntertown Rd., Versailles, KY 40383-9198**; (2) Fax: **859-879-0734**; (3) Email: **nntcnews@hotmail.com**. When sending **PHOTOS**, please send the **ORIGINALS**, in color or black and white. Originals reproduce better. To assure timely publication of the *News*, please be sure to meet—or beat—the September 1 deadline. Thanks for your cooperation. —AGF

WINNERS OF THE YEAR 2000 NNTC BRED-BY AND REGISTER OF MERIT AWARDS

Ed.: Each October at the Montgomery Specialty dinner, the NNTC Prizes and Statistics Chair announces the winners of the Club's annual awards and trophies. Due to some confusion (aka stupidity!) on the part of the News editor concerning the award year involved, Norfolk and Norwich winners of the 2000 NNTC Obedience medals, the Obedience (River Bend) and Tracking (Neversink) trophies, and the Versatility and Versatility Excellent awards were published in the Spring 2001 News (pages 6-7)—about 6 months before Blair Kelly announced them at the dinner. Sorry about that, Blair! The year 2000 Norfolk and Norwich winners of the Club's new Agility trophy—the Clean Run Trophy—are reported in Carlynn Rick's agility news in this issue. That leaves just the 2000 winners of the four NNTC Bred-By-Exhibitor Awards and the Register of Merit Award for me to post below. The Fall 2002 News will publish all the 2001 NNTC award winners, to be announced by Blair at the 2002 Montgomery dinner. I've finally gotten this year thing straight! —AGF

THE 2000 BRED-BY-EXHIBITOR AWARDS

The NNTC awards annual trophies to **each** member-owned Norfolk and Norwich dog and bitch who earns all his/her championship points from the Bred-By-Exhibitor class.

The Maplehurst Trophy (Norfolk Bitch)

This trophy is named in honor of early drop-ear breeder and exhibitor, **Mrs. Katherine Thayer**, who bred many influential Norfolk Terriers at her Maplehurst Farm in the late 1940's and 1950's. A sister of Sylvia Warren (River Bend), Katherine Thayer, together with her friend and fellow drop-ear enthusiast Mrs. Josephine Spencer (Partree), was largely responsible for achieving official AKC recognition of the unofficial Norwich breed club in 1947. Mrs. Spencer served as the Norwich Terrier Club's first President; Mrs. Thayer was the Club's first Secretary. (See *Norwich Terriers USA 1936-1966*, pp. 16-17.)

- **Ch. Arroyo's Chili Pequeno**, bred and owned by Ed and Ann Dum

The Partree Trophy (Norfolk Dog)

This trophy is named in honor of **Mrs. Josephine Spencer** (see information under Maplehurst Trophy above).

- **Ch. Sheer Bliss Earth A Quaking**, bred and owned by Betsey Bliss

The High Rising Trophy (Norwich Bitch)

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

- **Ch. Fairway Tee Time**, bred and owned by Jean Bryant
- **Ch. Bunratty's Queen of the Ball**, bred and owned by Estelle and Ronald Crawford
- **Ch. Top Drawer's She's A Keeper**, bred and owned by Meredith Dwyer
- **Ch. Dickens Miss Twinkleton**, bred and owned by Pat Mason
- **Ch. Terrapin Tanganyika**, bred and owned by Missy Wood and Nat LaMar

The John Paul Jones Trophy (Norwich Dog)

This trophy is named in honor of influential prick-ear sire, **Ch. John Paul Jones of Groton (JPJ)**. Bred by Mrs. John C. Winthrop (later Mrs. A. C. Randolph) in 1943, JPJ was owned by Norwich Terrier Club member and President (1955-1960) Mr. Alden Blodget and his wife Cornelia Otis Skinner. Blind in one eye from a hunting accident, this jaunty Norwich male won Best of Breed

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at Westminster in 1946 and was the first post-World War II American-bred Norwich champion. He lived to the ripe, old age of 18. (See *Norwich Terriers USA 1936-1966*, pages 17, 28).

- **Ch. Devondale's Master Merryandrew**, bred and owned by Anna Bellenger
- **Ch. Bunratty's Highlander**, bred and owned by Estelle and Ronald Crawford
- **Ch. Cobblestone's Huck Finn**, bred and owned by Laurie Loeffler

THE 2000 REGISTER OF MERIT AWARD

To qualify for the NNTC Register of Merit Award (ROM), a member-owned dog must have sired 8 or more conformation champions; a member-owned bitch must have produced 5 or more conformation champions. Two or more progeny of any ROM candidate must also have titles or certificates in either agility, earthdog, obedience, tracking, therapy dog, CGC, etc. The ROM candidate himself/herself must also have earned one of the above-mentioned titles, whether in conformation, performance, therapy, etc. The ROM candidate does NOT need to be alive at the time of his/her award.

- **Ch. Landmark Sometimes An Angel**, a Norfolk bitch bred and owned by Franz Corman
Congratulations to all the year 2000 NNTC award winners!

—Alison Freehling

P.S. Blair Kelly has posted the names of all 2000 NNTC award winners, as well as the criteria for each award, on the Club's website.

SOME NORWICH/NORFOLK AND AKC WEBSITES

NORWICH AND NORFOLK TERRIER CLUB (NNTC): <http://clubs.akc.org/nntc/>

The NNTC's revamped and expanded website has information about joining the Club, upcoming Club events, Club awards, breed health, living with Norwich and Norfolk Terriers—and much more. NNTC Webmaster **Blair Kelly** has put together a wonderful website, so check it out! Blair may be reached by email at blair.kelly@att.net.

HEART OF TEXAS NNTC (HOTNNTC):

<http://ourworld-top.cs.com/DataDawg11/HOTNNTC/index.htm>

Another wonderful website, with lots of articles on canine health. NNTC member **Judi Hartell** is the HOTNNTC Webmaster. Her email address is: DataDawg11@cs.com. HOTNNTC also has a subsection of its primary website called **The Photo Gallery**, maintained by HOT member **John Nettle**. You can reach the photo gallery, which has numerous color pictures of Norwich and Norfolk Terriers in four categories (Agility, HOTNNTC Events, Shows and Fun), by navigating the primary HOTNNTC website to **Breeders Corner/Fun Photos**.

NEW!!: THE PACIFIC AREA NORFOLK AND NORWICH TERRIER CLUB (PANNT):

<http://www.geocities.com/norfolkandnorwich>

PANNT, the proposed, not-yet-official new name for the Middle Kingdom Alliance of Norwich and Norfolk Terriers (MKANNT), now has its first-ever Website put together by PANNT Webmaster **Hilary Pease**. The site includes information about PANNT and PANNT events, about Norwich and Norfolk breeders and the breeds, and color photos of members' dogs. For suggestions about the Website and information about submitting material, contact Hilary Pease by phone (510-548-6226) or by email: hpeace@worldnet.att.net.

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CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF BOB SUGGS

(November 29, 1929–October 18, 2001)



Bob Suggs

Our eyes met across a crowded room; we were instantly drawn to one another... Was it the romantic ambience of a four-star restaurant, the soft music, the candlelight? That would be a lovely memory, but in reality Bob and I were in the basement training room of the Northwest Obedience Club and what drew us together were the Kerry Blues we both had on the end of our leads.

From the many cards and notes I received after Bob's death, one common theme emerged. Almost all spoke of his kindness, his sense of humor, and his love of people. Bob enjoyed chatting with friends, telling his stories, and sharing a joke. If you needed help, Bob was there to do what he could. He was that rare treasure, a good friend.

Shortly after graduation, Bob joined the Naval Reserve. He was soon called to active duty, serving on the aircraft carrier, Boxer, during the Korean "Conflict." Following his discharge from the service, he joined the training program of Local 9, of the IBEW, worked as a lineman, then for the City of Chicago repairing police and fire communications. From 1981 until retirement in 1996, he served as the Financial Secretary for Local 9.

Bob served on the Board of the United States Kerry Blue Terrier Club, held office in the Kerry Blue Terrier Club of Chicago, was President and Show Chairman for Park Shore Kennel Club and was a committee member of the International Kennel Club for some fifteen years. He was a founding member of the Norwich & Norfolk Terrier Club of Greater Chicago and served in every NNTCGC office at one time or another. He was also the financier and stay-at-home dog sitter for the two years we campaigned our Norwich male, Ch. Half-A-Bob's Mousetrap.

He loved cooking, dogs (ours and other people's), his family and me. He hated painting, plumbing and cutting the grass. He made the almost twenty-seven years of our marriage the very best years of my life.

—Carol Suggs, Half-A-Bob Norwich Terriers, Freeport, IL

JOYCE M. ARNS

(June 30, 1941–December 19, 2001)

Unless you are an "old timer," going back 25-30 years in the breed, you most likely have not heard of Norwich breeder Joyce Arns. Joyce and her husband Doug bred and showed Norwich (prick ears) for almost twenty years under the kennel prefix Willowview, first in Colorado and later in Montana. Although I never met Joyce in person, we would occasionally chat on the phone and also correspond about Norwich Terriers and canine art over the past 15 years. Two of Bill's and my early Norwich bitches, Grassmere Heather (Ch. Quartzhill College Corin x Chidley Fiona) and Ch. Royal Rock Tiddy Winks (Ch. Redash Tarquin x Willowview's Chidley Winks), known as "Winky," were closely connected to Joyce's line. "Heather" was a full, younger sister of the Arns' influential sire, Ch. Chidley Smart Aleck. "Winky's" dam, bred by Joyce and sold as a puppy to Joan Read (Chidley) and later Verna Allen (Royal Rock), was also the dam of the all-time, top-producing American Norwich sire, Ch. Royal Rock Don of Chidley. So even if you don't recognize Joyce Arns' name, more than likely her Willowview's Chidley Winks is in your Norwich's pedigree.

IN MEMORIAM

In addition to breeding Norwich, Joyce was also a nationally known canine artist working in several different mediums—pastel, scratchboard, sculpture, etc. Over the years, Bill and I acquired several of her works, mostly pastels of jaunty Norwich and Dandie Dinmont puppies.

The news of Joyce's death both saddened and surprised me, coming just three months after her cancer diagnosis. So that present-day Norwich fanciers will know a bit more about this important past breeder, Doug Arns kindly sent me a short history of their involvement with Norwich prick ears. Thank you, Doug.

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—Alison Freehling

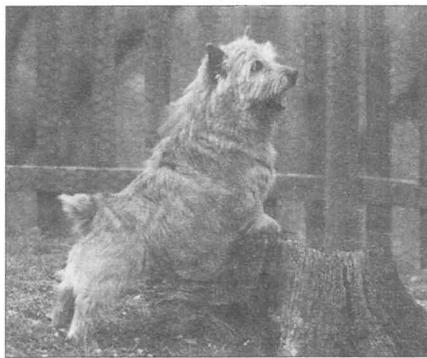
Joyce and I enjoyed having and showing Norwich for almost 20 years. We got our first Norwich from Mrs. Joan R. Read of Oyster Bay, NY. She was Quartzhill breeding (Mrs. Ida Hardy of England) and her AKC name was Chidley Impatience (Ch. Quartzhill College Corin x Quartzhill Musk Orchid). That was early 1971 in Denver. In the fall of 1972, we bred her to Eng./Am. Ch. Culswood Crunch, an English import bred by Mrs. Margaret Cullis and owned by Mr. Clive Nelson Pillsbury of San Diego, CA. From that litter, we got Ch. Willowview's Fuzzy Buttons, our first homebred champion (June, 1974) and also the first champion daughter of her illustrious sire. On the way to her title, "Fuzzy" was shown six times and was Best of Breed five times. She also won a Group 4 from the classes under judge Dr. Josephine M. Deubler.

In 1976, we bought Ch. Chidley Smart Aleck from Norwich breeder Stephen Hurt of Rockford, Michigan. Joyce enjoyed showing Aleck and took many BOB wins. Joyce's pride and joy, however, was Willowview's Chidley Winks, a bitch sired by "Smart Aleck" out of Willowview's Winkerbean (Eng./Am. Ch. Culswood Crunch x Chidley Impatience). "Chidley Winks," whom Joyce called "Pansy," was born in 1979, after we moved to Montana, and was sold as a puppy to Joan Read. Her name appears in the pedigrees of both Norwich Best In Show Westminster winners—Ch. Chidley Willum The Conqueror and Ch. Fairewood Frolic.

—Doug Arns, Victor, MT



"Pansy" (later called "Bridget"),
Joyce Arns' pride and joy



"Bridget's" most famous offspring,
Ch. Royal Rock Don of Chidley

MRS. JOHN WINSTON (ANNE)

The Spring *News* was already at the printer's when Sue Ely reported the sad news that long-time American Norfolk breeder (Mt. Paul) and Honorary NNTC member Anne Winston had passed away on March 21. A fuller tribute to Mrs. Winston will appear in the Fall *News*.

—AGF

HAPPY HUNTING GROUND

Ed.: Long-time Norwich breeder (Norweim) and NNTC member Carol Jordan sent the following poem in memory of four of her much-loved Norwich who passed away in 2001.

—AGF

"They say memories are golden, well, maybe that is true. I never wanted memories, I only wanted you. A million times I cried. If love alone could have saved you, you never would have died. In Life I loved you dearly, in death I love you still. In my heart you hold a place nothing else could fill. If tears could build a stairway and heartache make a lane, I'd walk the path to Heaven and bring you back again. Our family chain is broken, and nothing seems the same. But, as God calls us back, one by one, the chain will link again."

Lost were:

- **Ch. Norweim's Kristy Kay (September 13, 1985–August 13, 2001)**, my first female champion and a dear, sweet, obedient girl who went on to live with Barbara Rentko.
- **Ch. Norweim's Magnolia (May 22, 1988–August 21, 2001)**, daughter of Kristy Kay and my first black and tan.
- **Norweim's Lucky Seven (July 18, 1990–December 30, 2001)**, who lived with Bill and Kitty Matthew and died much too young of cancer.
- **Norweim's Jemima Puddle Duck (August 3, 1987–October 1, 2001)**, from my favorite litter, a beautiful girl who became a New York City model, a dear companion to Rebecca Tinsman, and mother to my Ch. Longland's Breeze to Norweim.

I know in my heart that we will all meet again near the Rainbow Bridge. But right now my heart is breaking from all the years of their soft paws walking all over everybody they met and loved. On the brighter side for Norweim, on September 8, 2001, I picked up a puppy, Longland's Chasin' Rainbows, from Rebecca Tinsman. "Rainy" is a great granddaughter of my "Jemima Puddle Duck." It was love at first sight; she's a real joy and adds a new spark of life to our household and a hope for the future.

—Carol Jordan, Reading, PA



Photo: Sue Ely

Willy, CGC

Willy, CGC

(April, 1987-December, 2001)

Babysitter, Heartwarmer, Companion. He had a smile for everyone.

—Sue Ely, Bernardville, NJ

P.S. Willy's portrait is by Anne Winston's daughter, Jennifer Pierson.

AGILITY ALL AROUND THE COUNTRY

Author's note: For an explanation of Agility titles, see the note at the end of this article.

Pennsylvania

For our little terriers, the highlight of last fall's agility season was the 2nd All-Terrier Agility Trial held at Kimberton, PA, an hour west of Philadelphia, on the Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday of Montgomery weekend. On the theory that you can't succeed until you try, this trial was a big success for our breeds. Five Norwich and 3 Norfolk competed, four times as many as in 2000! I also heard from several other competitors around the USA who really wanted to come.

The most successful team at this trial was *Norfolk Ch. Rightly So Bear With Me (Toby)* and his handler NNTC member Tony Sweany. Read that again. Yes, Norfolks have arrived in the agility ring! After two days of warm-up, Toby qualified in Jumpers and not only qualified in Standard, but placed second. What a way to start! Not to be outdone, *Norwich Ch. Winsome's Just A Gigolo (Trevor)*, owned by Suzanne Orban-Stagle and Anne Buffington and handled by Deb Busch, placed first in Jumpers that day. Whoever would have believed it, our little guys taking a 1st and a 2nd in agility? The only other green (green=qualifying) at that trial was my own Norwich, *Sand Castle Darcy UD, MX, MXJ*, who qualified in Excellent Jumpers.



Photo submitted by Mary Jo Sweany

"Toby," a Norfolk agility star!

But there's another way to define success, namely, by how competitors felt about the event afterward. By that measure, the Kimberton trial was a big success because Norwich and Norfolk participants were a team, encouraging each other, applauding good moves, groaning at problems, seeking and eagerly receiving tips on how to run a course. One aspect of agility (and obedience) that competitors love is that they compete against the requirements of the course, not against other competitors, so there's every reason to support each other. As a result, we all cheered Lauren Love's *Norwich Urchin's Just Us Follow-On (Fagan)*'s first appearance in the agility ring and his improvement over the course of the trial. We shared the pleasure of watching NNTC member Meg Lockwood's *Norfolk, Ch. Southampton Winnie the Pooh CD, NA, CGC, TDi (Winnie)* and Winnie's two offspring, Tony Sweany's *Toby* and Mary Jo Sweany's *Locklan Go Ahead Make My Day (Jade)*. We were thrilled to have NNTC member Rainee Johnson, DVM, competing



Photo submitted by Carlynn Ricks

Agility mascot "Uncle Sam," aka "Skylar"

with her *Norwich Ch. Breakaway's Central Perk NA, OAJ*. Imagine, a veterinarian who understands performance dogs! It almost makes me want to move to California. There was also NNTC member Judy Carlson Alden with her *Norwich Autumn Serenade's Sonata (Sadie)*, who did a nice job in Novice and who deserved the volunteer award for working nearly every class. Completing the cheering section was Emma Lou Linn of Austin with mascot *Arcadian Break the Bank (Skylar Louise)*. This Norwich, dressed as "Uncle Sam," was too small to compete, but she and Emma Lou spent all three days cheering for everyone.



Photo: Carlynn Ricks

Clean Run Trophy winner (Norwich) Blair Kelly adorned with his "Kate's" agility medals and trophy

Most of us reconvened Saturday night at the NNTC banquet where Master of Ceremonies Blair Kelly III (whose Norwich Agility star, Kate, had just come into season and thus couldn't compete), ornamented with his band of medals from the 2000 trial, did a fine job. For the year 2000, the NNTC offered a first-ever Agility trophy. This new award, named the **Clean Run Trophy**, goes to the member-owned Norwich *and* Norfolk with the most clean runs (scores of 100) during the year, regardless of level. If there is a tie, multiple trophies will be awarded. Blair's **Ch. Jerusalem Katherina Minola B MX, MXJ, CD** won the 2000 Norwich trophy with 30 clean runs. Wow! Two Norfolks tied, so both **Ch. Max-Well's Wild Flower CDX, AX, NAJ, SE (Rose)**, owned by Carl and Faith Schrader, and **Ch. Andover's Miner Detail CD, NA, NAJ, ME, CGC (Jimmie Dean)**, owned by Laurie Rossi Sherick and Richard Rourke, won Clean Run trophies for 2000. Congratulations to all!

Denver

For the second straight year, a Norwich Terrier qualified to compete in the AKC's National Agility Trial. My own **Darcy**, rated #1 agility Norwich in the October issue of the AKC **Gazette**, qualified by earning the MX and MXJ with at least four perfect scores in each class in the past year. Blair Kelly and I had hoped to be in Denver for mutual support, but his Norwich Kate had a litter this spring, so couldn't compete often enough to qualify. Darcy and I had a great time and did respectably well, but the star for our breeds in Denver was a young, previously unknown surprise.

Triune Tartan Gandolf Greybeard MX, MXJ (Wizard), a 2-year-old Norfolk run by 13-year-old Jenny Oberhelman from Lawrence, Kansas, showed everyone what a Norfolk is capable of in agility. Adding a MX to the MXJ just a few days ahead of the qualifying deadline, Jenny and Wizard had several qualifying runs, which is tough at the AKC Nationals since required times are faster than usual. Wizard, the #1 agility Norfolk in the country (according to the AKC **Gazette**), is a 9.5" black and tan male who likes to swim and chase frogs. He and Jenny started training at 12 weeks with Jenny's mother, instructor Joan Meyer, who is a member of the AKC World Championship Agility Team. Although Jenny has been running dogs in agility since she was four, Wizard is her first Norfolk. Wizard also has a leg toward his JE. Jenny, her red ponytail bobbing, offered some great advice for anyone training a dog in agility. "Make him a high-drive dog." She says Wizard didn't start out that way, so she'd race with him around the house, down the field or chasing a ball. To watch these two run agility in Denver was to see a well-coordinated team profiting from lots of combined energy. It was truly inspirational.

The National Scene

The Agility stats for 2001 are in. Wow—36 titles on 19 dogs!! Clearly, a whole bunch of Norfolk and Norwich owners are running around having fun with their dogs. Here's the breakdown: 19 new Novice titles, 10 new Open titles, 3 new Excellent titles and 4 new Master's titles. Seven Norfolk and 12 Norwich respectively earned 8 and 28 titles. NNTC member Mary (Cricket) Goodall's Norwich **Outfoxed Wauwinet Wren, AX, AXJ (Wren)** earned the most titles (an amazing

six titles in 2001), adding the open and advanced titles to the Novice titles reported in the last *News*. Equally impressive is that Cricket bred and trained this dog herself. Cricket claims she's "not a serious competitor," and doesn't go to shows every weekend; but she and Wren still managed to earn all six titles in less than a year from the first leg to the last. She says Wren, who is just three, is really motivated, but knows they'll both have to work hard to make the times for the MXJ, a struggle for all our little guys. The youngest dog was Joan Meyer's 2-year-old Norfolk, **Triune Tartan Gandolph Greybeard MX, MXJ**. (See Denver story). NNTC member Joan Bakken is willing to admit to running Norwich **Ch. Dunbar's Mistress of the Hunt** at age 69 and loving it.

Here are the new titles since the fall *News*. My apologies for two titles I left out of the last issue: Susan Stengler's **NAJ** on Norwich **Aven-Port Eastend Arfur CD, NA** was long-awaited and well-deserved, and NNTC member Pam Lorenzen's **OA** on Norwich **Ch. Dunbar's Montgomery Find CDX, NA, OAJ**, who continues to do well in both agility and obedience. A belated congratulations to both. Our dogs have shown the folks in Louisiana what they are capable of. James and Patricia Evans have added **OA** and **OAJ** to Norwich **Ch. Pair-A-Docs' Peppercorn NA, NAJ**. Also high jumping in the bayous is NNTC member Marcia Frank's **Ch. Davishall Scarlet Grace NA, NAJ**, a Norwich who recently added **OAJ** to her name. Nearby in Mississippi, Gayle and Timothy Holmen were proud to add **NA** and **NAJ** to Norwich **Mischief's Sea Wolf**. Up in Minnesota, Carolyn Kavanagh and Norwich **Sandune Caesar Augustus NA** added a **NAJ**, while Shirley Hutchins dealt with New Hampshire weather to earn the **NA** with **Chantilly's Aelfwynofberry Brow**, a Norfolk who also earned a **NAJ** later in the year. Out in Missouri, another **NAJ** was earned by Norfolk **Barnstable Run For the Roses CD, NA**, owned by Mary A. White. Profiting from her experience at Kimberton, **Ch. Winsome's Just A Gigolo (Trevor)** earned a 1st place in Jumpers and finished her **NA** just in time for Christmas. On the west coast, Rainee Johnson, DVM, and **Ch. Breakaway's Central Perk NA, OAJ** finished that **OA** title. Also getting ready for Excellent is Norfolk **Blonds Have More Fun NA, OAJ**, owned by Kay Wood and Robin Fargus, who finished the **OA**. But NNTC member Leslie Becker's Norwich, **Skyscot's Springtime (Speckles)**, handled by Janet Kennedy, took the prizes. In one memorable 3-day weekend, running under NNTC Clean Run Trophy winner Blair Kelly, Speckles "double-Q'd" all three days (qualified in both standard and Jumpers on the same day), placed 1st four times and 2nd the other two, and **earned both Novice titles!** I hope there were lots of liver treats for Speckles. Good work! A big congratulations to all these hard-working dogs and owners.

A Personal Note

I'd like to add a personal note. Those of us who run our dogs in agility come to it from several different directions. Some come from obedience, where the owner is virtually always the handler. Some come from conformation, where the owner is often not the handler. And some come directly to agility from training classes and clubs where people train and trial their own dogs. It's fairly rare in agility for a dog not to be owner-handled. I had never seen it until last October at Kimberton. It happens occasionally in the event of injury, like the weekend I ran a rough-coated collie for an injured friend. But I'd like to encourage everyone to run their own dog in agility. As the rest of this article demonstrates, no one is too old or too young to compete. You learn and improve with your dog. Most importantly, despite this column's necessary emphasis on titles, the fun of agility is more the fun of running the course, not just the title you may earn if you and your dog run well together. Rather than being simply a test for the dog, an agility trial is a test of how well you and your dog are communicating. The joy of that communication, that bond, is not something I would give up lightly. I encourage you to experience it as well.

—Carlynn Ricks, San Antonio, TX
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Agility Titles

With so many of our dogs getting into agility, a word on titles may be in order. It's pretty simple. There are two categories of agility: Standard (which includes the teeter, A-frame, and dogwalk) and Jumpers (which has only jumps, weave poles, and tunnels). So if the initials include a "J" that means a jumpers title; if not, it's a standard title. The order of the titles is Novice (NA, NAJ), Open (OA, OAJ), Excellent (AX, AXJ) and Masters (MX, MXJ). —CR

P.S. HOTNNTC member Ami Hooper recently notified me about a Norfolk/Norwich agility discussion group that she has started. The address is noragility@yahoogroups.com. Anybody can join the list by filling in a few questions. For more information, contact Ami at amij@austin.rr.com. —CR

MONTGOMERY TERRIER AGILITY CLUSTER

Terrier-only agility trials have become a traditional part of the October Montgomery festivities. Following the format of 2001, three terrier clubs have stepped forward this year to host the Montgomery Terrier Agility Cluster—including the NNTC!

If you have a Norwich or a Norfolk trained in agility, the Montgomery Terrier Agility Cluster gives you another great reason to make the trek to Montgomery (as if the Montgomery show was not enough!) If you have never seen an agility trial or have only seen one on television, come watch and see what terriers can really do! Agility has been called "the most fun you can have with your dog," but it also has great spectator appeal. Watch terriers as they run, jump, climb, go through tunnels, tip the seesaw, and weave through poles. Watch the handler as he/she tries to get an independent-minded terrier to run the course the handler wants, not the one the terrier makes up!

Plans are proceeding for these **AKC agility trials** to be held on Wednesday, 2 October (hosted by the Soft Coated Wheaten Club of America), Thursday, 3 October (Scottish Terrier Club of America), and **Friday, 4 October (NNTC)**. The trials will be at the same great location as last year—the Kimberton Fairgrounds in the small town of Kimberton, PA, approximately 40 miles west of Philadelphia. There will be two judges, working two rings simultaneously. All levels of agility from Novice to Excellent (both standard and jumpers) will be offered, but only terriers can enter these agility trials. **In addition, there will be special prizes for each qualifying run by a Norwich or Norfolk.**

So plan to come out and support the first-ever Norwich and Norfolk Terrier Club agility trial! More details will be in the Montgomery packet sent to every club member.

—Blair Kelly, Odenton, MD



Photo submitted by Blair Kelly

Norwich agility star "Kate" Kelly on the seesaw

SPRING 2002 OBEDIENCE NEWS

Once again, a reminder to everyone: if you want to read more about your dog in this column than just the few facts published in the AKC Gazette **Awards**, please write or email me. I have a relatively new email address so, in case you are working from an old list, here it is: mfine01@snet.net.

NNTC member Pam Lorenzen tried out her multi-titled Norwich, **U-CD, U-AGI Dunbar's Montgomery Find CDX, OA, OAJ** in the Open B competition class, making a very respectable score of 187. For those unfamiliar with obedience, dogs having CDX and UD titles may continue to compete for fun and/or the national obedience rankings, as well as the elusive OTCH (Obedience Trial Champion) points, which may only be earned by a dog that has already completed a UD title.

In Ohio, a new **Norwich** competitor, **Ch. Abbedale Me Got Happy Face**, got a **CD** title from the Novice A class. This dog is owned by Dorothy Domberg, Nancy Zurek and NNTC member Joan Eckert. Close by in Pennsylvania, a **Norfolk, Hevans Emma Rose**, owned by Judith Goedecke, completed a **CD** in the Novice B class with very high scores-196.5, 195.5, and 194, with 2 second places.

NNTC member Angela Smith joined the ranks of obedience competitors for the first time, earning a **CD** in Oklahoma on **Norfolk Ch. Kimberley's Lil Rascal**. They finished with 1 first place and 1 third place in the Novice A class. In Florida, a very promising **Norfolk** earned a first **CD** for his owner, NNTC member Bernice Staton. **Reidmar Rob's Boy** now has his CD from the Novice A class with 1 second place and 1 fourth place. I understand that "Darby" is already trained through Utility, so we hope to have more good news about this dog in future columns.

My **Norfolk, Tylwyth Kelsey of Elbow Rock CD**, had to undergo some retraining after earning a first CDX leg. Kelsey got a bit too happy in the ring at subsequent shows, leaving me in the middle of one heeling pattern to go over and jump on the judge. After successfully retrieving her dumbbell over the jump, she also decided to take it over to a steward at the ring gate instead of to me. Many years ago, her great-great-great grandmother tore a judge's nylons leaping at her in an attempt to get her to take the dumbbell. Apparently the judge looked as if she wanted it more than I did. NEWS FLASH! Retraining was a success! Kelsey got a second CDX leg in February (without playing with the judge). We are hoping to finish the title in the near future.

Regarding the "pages from the past" article in the Fall 2001 *News*—The Trials and Tribulations of River Bend Tory CD, CDX, UD. I knew obedience judge Jake Giacomelli well and often showed under him in Canada and in the U. S. Without fail, EVERY time I saw Jake, he told me the story about Tory "going to ground" in the ring. Unfortunately, he never remembered the dog's name, so the *News* article, originally written before I acquired my first Norfolk (then drop-ear Norwich), was my first opportunity to learn the dog's identity. Another interesting fact: as the article stated, Tory was the first Norfolk to earn the UD title. What wasn't revealed is that, after all these years, Tory is *still* the only male Norfolk to have earned a UD title. There are a number of male Norwich UD's, Sand Castle Darcy, owned by NNTC member Carlynn Ricks, being the most recent. I do not know if any of these UD male Norwich were intact males; the ones on which I have information are not. So far, I have been spectacularly unsuccessful trying to get a UD on my intact male Norfolk, Ch. Tylwyth Just Riley CDX, aka "See Me, I'm a Giant Hormone."

Remember—let me know about your dogs' obedience accomplishments.

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TERRIER TWOSOMES

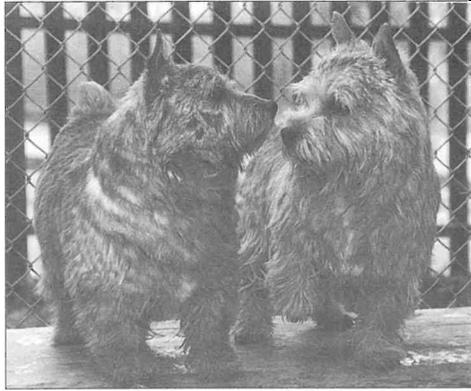


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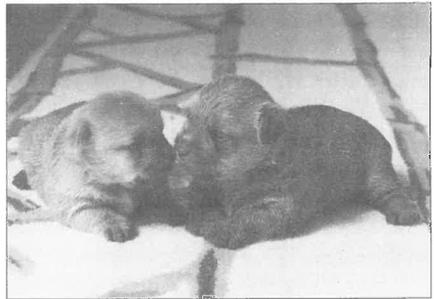


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Baby Boomers

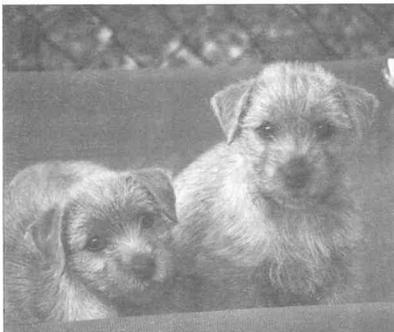


Photo: Barbara Miller

Spring Beauties



Photo: Helene Glisn

Mouthy Mates

NOTES FROM RESCUE AND REHOME

These are interesting times in the NNTC rescue and rehome world: a number of mixed breed terriers; a real rehab/rescue; lots of emails both inquiring about and reporting dogs in rescue who “resemble” Norwich or Norfolk Terriers; and a real, live collector of older dogs!



Photo: James Donaher

“Jared”

James Donaher appeared in a previous rescue/rehome report when he rehomed a Norfolk named Bert. Early in October I received a note from James with glowing reports of that dog’s adjustment to his new home. In November, he sent me some photographs of Bert, who is now called Jared. I have included a photo of Jared here to show you how happy and confident he looks. James says he is “alert, bossy, and (has) a very strong sense of self-importance.” But the story doesn’t end here. Later in the year, James adopted Paddy, a twelve-years-young Norfolk male whose owner was in a nursing home. When James and I last spoke, he said Paddy had fit right in, established his own territory, and was doing very well. Since two of James’ other dogs, excluding Jared, are well over ten, I think James qualifies as a bona fide collector of older dogs, as well as a full-fledged saint!

I still get notices of dogs in rescue who are said to resemble Norfolk or Norwich Terriers; some indeed are. Regardless of the purity of background, however, each one occasions a flurry of phone calls and emails both to track down the dogs and to find someone from the NNTC to go have a look at them. Marleen Greif has been very busy with rescues in Texas; many other NNTC members have contacted me about dogs they have found either locally or on the internet. I cannot stress strongly enough how important a role every member of the club plays on these occasions. I need to feel that I can call you and count on you to make at least the first contact with one of these shelters. Remember, I am always standing behind you with NNTC Rescue funds to support any and all actions.

Some dogs have escaped our national rescue network or, like one little bitch named Paisley recently in the Oconee Humane Society near Atlanta, GA, have landed safely in foster care and been placed from there. Many thanks go to Marjorie Hubbard for staying on that case. She reported at the end of January that Paisley had been relocated with an older couple. Since her previous owner had been elderly, this seemed an excellent choice of homes. While Paisley was in foster care, I had contacted a family near NNTC members Tony Gabrielli and Wayne Palmer in Ohio about taking her; but the foster mom felt Paisley was too timid to be around children. There were happy endings all around, however, because the family in Cleveland rehomed a dog from Maryland who loved children. This family is now being mentored by Tony and Wayne; I thank them both for their help.

The rehabilitation/rescue was a first; it has a long story attached, which I will summarize as best I can. The Norfolk bitch, Maddie, was sold to a young and, at the time, childless couple. Her name, Madison Elizabeth, certainly speaks to her intended position in the family! During the four-and-a-half years that they owned her, the couple reported that Maddie had made her dislike for small children quite clear on many occasions. She had also bitten each of her “parents,” as well as several other people. With their first baby due in January, the couple called to say they had decided to place Maddie. If they could not find a suitable home (i.e., one with NO children), they had decided to euthanize her. Nothing suitable presented itself from my notes on prospective homes. Time inched toward the first week of January with terrifying speed! I heard about Ruth Rosbach-Chandler, a professional dog trainer, from new NNTC member Judy Goedeke. I decided to literally buy some

time for Maddie by having her go to Ruth's for retraining. As Maddie's training proceeded, Ruth reported that the Norfolk bitch would not be suitable for a first time terrier rescuer/owner. I called two club members who had taken difficult dogs in the past; the miracle happened: Hazel Beeler said YES.

I am going to let Hazel and her husband Michael Kuric write the next chapter of Maddie's life for you. But first, I want to share some of Ruth's notes from her "work in progress":

Maddie is a four-and-a-half-year old, grossly overweight, spayed Norfolk who . . . has shown aggression to the point of biting several people . . . these incidents occurred while the family was "joking" with her! I believe that their definition of joking was . . . teasing her to the point where she had no other recourse but to bite . . . there was so much snarling, and frantic behavior . . . she cowered, trembled, . . . avoided eye contact, and urinated . . . if approached. Her owner consoled her, . . . talked baby talk and pushed her away at the same time. (*Ruth took Maddie over on 5 Dec.; her notes continue . . .*) . . . she made hard eyes at my dogs, growled and lunged inside her crate . . . she was scared to death . . . (*by 10 Dec., she writes . . .*) she is spending more time loose . . . wagging her tail and looking up at us as well as smiling and talking . . . she jumps up in my lap for petting . . . there might be a very nice little dog living inside her . . . (*by 19 Dec., Ruth feels elated . . .*) The difference in Maddie . . . has been nothing short of amazing. She has lost a good bit of weight and is now able to trot and run. She greets us with squeaks and wiggles . . . when we come home . . . she plays with toys and gnaws great big knuckle bones . . . but still shows defensive behavior when approached by strange dogs or people. She will probably always behave this way. . . . She did "lay her teeth" on a friend who attempted to pet her WHILE SHE WAS ON MY LAP. Although she did not try to bite, she was corrected as if she had, and she apologized properly . . . (*by 30 Dec., Ruth feels . . .*) Maddie is ready to be placed in the proper home. With time, patience, routine and discipline for unacceptable behavior, . . . she will continue to improve her social skills. She will never be trustworthy with children, or in . . . noisy, crowded situations . . .

The ingredients of Maddie's rehab were a metal choke chain (later, a buckle collar) and a ribbon lead (both of which she wore 24/7); some doses of a homeopathic anti-anxiety product called Rescue Remedy; a strict diet; and a whole lot of patient, firm handling. When she broke the rules, she was corrected by being hoisted up off the ground for 2 or 3 seconds; then she was quietly praised when the bad behavior ceased. She was not coddled or soothed; she was simply, quietly, asked to keep the rules. We were lucky to find Ruth; we were also lucky to have the monies to pay her from the NNTC Rescue fund. Keep the donations coming! Thank you, Hazel and Michael, for giving Maddie a second chance at life.

P.S. Maddie's breeder declined to take her back because, he said, he "isn't really a breeder." While there is food for thought in that statement alone, there are also significant red flags in Maddie's story which all of us who sell puppies should notice.

—SE

Maddie's First Report Card: February 18, 2002

Ed.: News readers may recall Hazel Beeler's lovely tribute to her and husband Michael's beloved Norfolk, "Ace," in the Fall 2001 issue. "Maddie" has joined fellow Norfolks "Penny" and "Deuce" as members of Hazel and Michael's canine family in Newport, Virginia. Below is their first report on how Maddie is adapting to her new home. We hope to hear more about Maddie in the next News. —AGF

Hazel:

What makes the situation tricky is that Maddie is so very unpredictable. She has good days when she leaps into bed and plays Wakeup Terrier with abandon; nibbles the toes of unwary, half-asleep people shuffling around in their sock feet; wags effusively; and makes growly play noises. . . . It seems impossible that such a sweet little dog could bite you, but she can and did. She bit Michael . . . deep enough to bleed profusely. . . . Some days she seems touchy all day and retreats into her crate or under the bed, emerges only briefly, . . . growls and shows her teeth. . . . And yet, underneath that moody animal, there is . . . a regular Norfolk Terrier who likes to leap into laps . . . hunt for rodents in the flower beds, play tennis ball . . . and eat anything she can reach. We are seeing an incremental improvement, not day-to-day, but week-to-week, in her behavior. We have had to be vigilant about "hoisting" her every time she growls . . . we'd gotten complacent . . . often ignoring growls, and that is how Michael got bitten.

Michael:

Over the past several days, Maddie has been very friendly to me, so demanding of attention, in fact, that I've had to teach her "go on" to get anything done at my desk. . . . In the ten days since I foolishly allowed myself to be bitten, we've gradually come to see more of the sweet, lovable "Doggie Jekyll" than "Mistress Hyde"! I'm pretty confident that by this time next year, I'll be thanking you [Sue Ely] for sending us such a lovely friend.

This firsthand account speaks eloquently to why I do not recommend rescue to first-time terrier owners. Hazel and Michael are experienced at the rescue business, and Maddie is lucky to be there. Maddie is an example of what can happen when a Norfolk or a Norwich Terrier gets into the wrong hands. Whether the trouble could have been averted with more careful screening, no one can say; but, surely, a breeder who mentors the owners to whom he/she sells a puppy or an adult could have caught the signs of trouble and saved everyone, mostly Maddie, a lot of unhappiness.

—Sue Ely, Rescue/Rehome Chairman, Bernardsville, NJ



Photo: Carlynn Ricks

All set for the Easter Bunny

THE NNTC-SPONSORED EARTHDOG TRIAL

The first NNTC-sponsored AKC Earthdog Trial, held on October 8, 2001 at the Village Green Farm Earthdog Center in Crosswicks, NJ, went off without a hitch. The sunny, but chilly, day after Montgomery saw a total entry of 180 Terriers and Dachshunds test their age-old instinct of going to ground. There were 15 Norwich and 19 Norfolk among the entries and, while not all qualified, the terriers and their handlers seemed to enjoy this special day. The many spectators were hard pressed to say who showed the most excitement... the dogs or their handlers! Special thanks go out to NNTC members Sue Ely, Trial Chair, and Robert and Henrietta Lachman, Trial Secretaries, as well as to the many volunteers who worked hard to make this trial a success.

—Peggy Metcalf

EARTHDOG TRAINING TIPS

It's time to clean out those liners and get the rats ready for another season of earthdog work. To help you develop your season's plans, the following suggestions are offered by tried and true earthdog enthusiasts and judges Laurie Rossi Sherick, Judy Todd, Richard Reynolds and JoAnn Frier-Murza, all of whom judged the first NNTC-sponsored National Earthdog test in Crosswicks, NJ on October 8, 2001. I thank them for sharing their techniques and strategies for a more successful earthdog experience for you and your terrier.

Laurie Rossi Sherick:

The best information on readying a terrier for earthdog work can be found in "Working Puppy Training," an article written for the Spring 1983 ANTIC newsletter by Carolyn Pyle. She suggests that very young puppies can start their field training right in the house. To begin, cut doorways in the opposite ends of a cardboard box and lay it on the floor, bottom side up. Pups will use this fascinating toy to play in and out of and will thus become accustomed to dark spaces and small openings. A galvanized stovepipe, 8 to 10 inches in diameter, can be hidden behind a couch and additional tunnels can be built by taping cardboard boxes together. Old socks with knots in them can be left in the cage of pet rats or mice until they've thoroughly absorbed the rodents' scent. Then the socks can be used as toys for the puppies, who will play at "killing" them. Outside, add more piping or an underground tunnel liner. Pups will play together, along with their elders, running in and out of the tunnels. Be very sure that all tunnels have daylight at the end so that puppies will not feel trapped and become scared. They must know they can get out easily. If you live in an area where you can hunt your adult dog, take the puppies along to romp in the woods and fields. As the adults dig up mice, investigate woodpiles, fallen trees and woodchuck dens, the pups will follow right along...sniffing, digging, getting excited and "helping" the big dogs do their 'thing'. And the pups will be learning.



Start 'em early! Four-month-old Norwich at his first earthdog match . . .

Judy Todd:

The Junior Earthdog test is designed to test the natural abilities of the novice earthdog/handler team. The handler's job is to understand the rules and to have trained the dog to an appropriate skill level so that both team members are confident when entering the judging area. Training for this test should concentrate on encouraging the dog to move quickly to the den entrance and then on into the den. Many failures occur when the dog starts investigating the area or will not commit to entering the tunnel. Paying 17 cents a second to watch your dog sniff at the flowers and grass can get expensive! Practicing with a quarry cage an arm's length inside the tunnel should get the most reluctant dog to enter and investigate. Gradually increase the distance from the entrance to the full 30 feet in length with a few 90-degree turns. Arguably, the most frustrating problem is a dog that will enter and get to the quarry in good time but will fail to "work". Here there is not any one easy answer, as there are many reasons why a dog may not work the rats. Most unwanted behaviors can be eliminated by removing the reward. In this case, the reward is to be able to see the rats. No work, no rats. Timing is critical. Give the dog a few seconds to offer the correct behavior, then remove the rats from view. Just lifting them out of the tunnel behind a solid barrier is enough. Gentle, sympathetic vocal encouragement from the handler will help keep the dog on track (*Oh, no. What happened to those rats? Where did they go?*). Return the rats to the tunnel. (*Here they are, get them!*). Give the dog a few seconds to offer an improvement, no matter HOW SMALL. If an improvement is offered, keep going with lots of praise. If not, try again with more encouragement. Junior Earthdog tests are just the beginning of the partnership between the handler and the dog.

Richard Reynolds:

In the world of conformation dog shows, a handler's job is to make the dog look good while making the task of showing seem easy and fading into the background. The same can be said of "handling" earthdogs. All the real handling should have been completed long before the day of the trial. There is virtually nothing the handler can do at the time of the test that will improve the performance of an earthdog. There are, however, multiple sins, frequently committed by even seasoned handlers, that can detract from the dog's performance or even cause a passing performance by the dog to result in non-qualifying. The Earthdog testing programs of the American Kennel Club and the American Working Terrier Association are intended to evaluate the suitability, gameness, and working ability of terriers and Dachshunds in the field. As such, minimal involvement of the handler is not only desirable, but is required. When handler errors do occur, the judge must determine whether or not that error should result in a non-qualifying score. The result is... "Handlers From Hell". Here are some tips on how not to be one:

- Use a six-foot lead of suitable material and strength.
- Be present for the judge's orientation.
- Be aware of the progress of the test and have your dog "on deck" when its number is reached.
- Keep all dogs away from restricted areas.
- Release the dog with all four of its feet on the ground while the handler leans over or crouches.
- Give one clear command at release.
- Pick up after your dog and yourself.

JoAnn Frier-Murza:

Even if you don't have access to organized earthdog practice or some rats in a cage, there are things—vital things—you can do to prepare your dog for Junior Earthdog classes and more. The most important thing for great earthdog performances (besides a dog's inherited instinct to hunt

underground) is socialization. No dog will ever do his best if he is unsure of himself or ill at ease in unfamiliar territory. So get your puppies out into all kinds of situations and public areas. Take them to earthdog tests too, even if you don't enter them. Support them as they learn, but don't coddle them. The confidence that comes from these experiences will allow puppies (and adult dogs) to be introspective and to find their go-to-ground instincts when the time comes. These instincts might be buried deep inside some dogs. Don't expect any ferocious work until a puppy matures. The age at which a dog's instinct surfaces might be older than you anticipated, so don't expect too much too soon or try to push a puppy that isn't ready. A great way to add to a dog's experience in a fun and worthwhile way is to take him for explorations in natural environments. Puppies, too! It's free, fits all schedules, and can be easily modified to meet your dog's progress. At first, keep him on a 6-foot leash and encourage him to poke around in fallen branches, high weeds, and edges of mowed areas. Weathered trash and park receptacles can be interesting places for a dog's nose, even when there's no food left. In these places, mice, voles, and maybe even wild rats have left their scents. Help your dog by poking with a stick into these hiding places. One day your dog might tell you there REALLY is something there (that's a "mark") and be rewarded with a real "bolt". When that happens, let him finish the job if he is quick enough. This coordinated activity will develop a strong partnership between you and your dog. With more experience, you can let your dog go on a longer lead (or free, if it is a safe area) and he will always respect your part in the game. He will look to you as an equal and essential partner in his hunting sport. When you go into your Senior and Master Earthdog classes, you will see the difference, and then it will be your confidence that soars.

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Norwich and Norfolk Terriers have a lot of potential when they have the chance to try earthdog sports. They are focused, intense, and usually noisy. This is a good time for them to be noisy, better than around the house, and working face to face with caged rats is a great way for dogs to exercise their instincts and burn off energy. No matter whether your aspirations are to have a kennel full of Master Earthdogs or to breed terriers with titles at both ends, earthdog fun suits today's versatile Norwich and Norfolk Terriers.

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Photo: Peggy Metcalf

The "Rat Pack" on patrol

THE 2001 AKC CANINE HEALTH FOUNDATION CONFERENCE

As the AKC Delegate from the U.S. Lakeland Terrier Club, it was my pleasure to attend the AKC Canine Health Foundation (CHF) National Parent Club Conference in St. Louis the weekend of October 19-21, 2001. This fourth AKC Parent Club Health Conference brought together more than 300 parent breed club representatives, AKC staff, canine health researchers, CHF patrons and others. The Conference focused on the progress of CHF-funded projects.

The opening sessions included a review of the process for establishing a Donor Advised Fund, which aids parent clubs in funding and managing breed-specific health research. As of the date of the conference, approximately 120 Donor Advised Funds had been established.

The technical sessions opened with a series of fast-paced and highly technical presentations on progress made in mapping the canine genome. The canine genome map, first published in 1997, is now in sufficient detail to be used for mapping disease genes. Dr. Matthew Been of the Animal Health Trust, Newmarket, UK stated that the DNA in dogs and humans remains highly similar, so advances in human genome work may be applicable to the canine as well. A new phase of this work is a project at the Hutchinson Cancer Research Center in Seattle to collect blood samples from purebred dogs and use DNA analysis to determine the genetic similarities of the breeds.

Technical papers covered a wide range of current canine health issues including autoimmune disease, food hypersensitivity, gene therapy for vision restoration, epilepsy, thyroid disease, canine reproduction, cancer, eye disease, hip dysplasia and allergies. Three papers summarized eight CHF grants searching for breed-specific genetic markers for epilepsy. The University of Minnesota and the University of Missouri-Columbia are seeking blood samples for DNA analysis from epileptic dogs and their family members. Sixty-seven breeds are currently included in this database. For further information on this project, the Canine Epilepsy Network website can be found at <http://www.canine-epilepsy.net>.

Of interest to all dog owners should be the canine vaccination research being conducted by Dr. Phillip Mansfield of Auburn University. Dr. Mansfield is studying vaccine safety issues such as adverse vaccine reactions and the duration of vaccine immunity. He reported on a promising 15-minute titre test which is reliable and affordable and which may be used to reduce the number of puppy vaccinations and to determine when an adult dog needs to be revaccinated.

The establishment of the Canine Health Information Center (CHIC), a joint venture between the Canine Health Foundation and the Orthopedic Foundation for Animals, was announced. CHIC goals include working with parent clubs to identify breed-specific health issues and establishing and maintaining a central health information system.

Since the first Canine Health Conference eight years ago, significant research progress has been made with many practical applications to canine health on the horizon. The AKC is strongly committed to canine health research and seeks parent club involvement.

—Al Ferruggiaro, Dreamweaver Norwich Terriers, Burtonsville, MD

A BRIEF BIO OF THE NEW NNTC NORWICH HEALTH/GENETICS CHAIR

I am a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania School of Veterinary Medicine and have been in small animal practice for over 20 years. Before beginning my career in veterinary medicine, I spent five years in medical research at the University of Pennsylvania Medical School. My wife 'chelle and I began our foray into the world of purebred dogs in the mid-1980's when we acquired a Soft Coated Wheaten Terrier. As with most things, we soon found ourselves heavily

involved with the breed on both a local and a national level. I served five years on the Board of Directors of the Soft Coated Wheaten Terrier Club of America and was also Chairperson of the Health Committee during that time. I stepped down as health chair when my five-year Board term expired, but I still serve on the health committee. 'chelle served as treasurer of our local Wheaten club for many years, and I am just now stepping down as president of that same club after a three-year term.

Our experience with Norwich began in 1995 when, after much searching, we were fortunate to make contact with Anna Bellenger. Anna sold us Devondale's Master Merriweather, who became our first Norwich Champion. It was soon obvious that one Norwich was not enough, so we hooked up with Anna again and introduced Devondale's Mistress Mickifinn to our home. "Jammie" became our second Champion and has also presented us with two wonderful litters. One pup, Devondale's Master Mycroft, was Best in Sweepstakes at the 1999 NNTC Montgomery Specialty. Just this past November, the first Norwich to carry our kennel name, *Warwick*, finished her championship. For those who might wonder, our Norwich and Wheatens get along famously.

As I assume the role of NNTC Norwich health chair, I consider the completion of a new breed health survey to be a top priority. We must identify those health issues that present the greatest risk to the future well-being of our breed. Once we have done that, we can begin the task of funding the necessary research to find answers to these problems. I can tell you from experience that this will take time and, most importantly, money. Norwich breeders and owners will be asked to donate to the AKC Canine Health Foundation Norwich Donor Advised Fund as well as to the various fundraisers we will hold over time. We must establish a "research nest egg" that will allow us to aggressively fund a research project. That project may not be identified for several years, but when it is, we must be in a position to move ahead.

I look forward to the challenge that lies ahead, and with your help and a large dose of patience, we will begin the journey.

—George G. Jeitles, Jr., V.M.D., Pottstown, PA

UPPER AIRWAY DISEASES IN NORWICH TERRIERS

The following article by Dr. Kenneth Sadanaga, VMD, was written exclusively for the News. The purpose of the article is to give readers some insight into the surgical options available to correct various obstructive upper airway diseases. I want to thank Dr. Sadanaga for taking time from his busy surgical practice to share this information with us.

—George Jeitles, Jr., V.M.D., NNTC Norwich Health/Genetics Chair

Upper airway problems as seen in Norwich terriers have represented a relatively low incidence in our referral practice when compared to other breeds. Problems related to upper airway complications have been associated with an **overlong soft palate** and **laryngeal paralysis**. Alerting and educating responsible breeders to the potential for these conditions will help keep these problems under proper control and may help minimize the incidence of future occurrences.

Stertor arising from the pharynx is a snoring sound attributable to an overlong soft palate. **Stridor** arising from the nasal and laryngeal areas is a wheezing sound attributable to partial obstruction to the flow of air in these respective areas: stenotic nares, overlong soft palate, everted laryngeal sacculles, laryngeal collapse and hypoplastic trachea.

Pets with an **overlong soft palate** present with signs of increased effort to breathe and a notable use of abdominal muscles when breathing. Many dogs will breathe with their mouths open and pant excessively. Any exercise or heat and humidity will exacerbate the respiratory signs. Snoring may also be a feature. The bark is usually unchanged.

Those cases of *overlong soft palate* in the Norwich breed have presented with signs referable to airway stridor and stertor. The owners describe increased panting and increased effort to ventilate. They are usually young dogs. Obesity can contribute to an exacerbation of upper airway problems. Exercise, heat and humidity also exacerbate the signs. The external nares are normal in appearance. Auscultation of the chest is usually normal with the exception of referred airway sounds emanating from the area of the pharynx and larynx. Neck and chest radiographs are normal. When sedated a diagnosis of an overlong soft palate is made whereby the free margin of the overlong soft palate is drawn into the orifice of the larynx. The soft palate is often thick and edematous (swollen) in appearance. There is often concurrent tonsillitis. No everted laryngeal sacculae or laryngeal collapse is usually seen. The correction is made by trimming the free margin of the soft palate to a shorter, more functional length.

Those cases with *laryngeal paralysis* in the Norwich have presented with signs referable to increased inspiratory stridor. We have seen cases in middle age, 4-7 years old; the condition appears to be related to an acquired weakening and dysfunction of the nerves responsible for innervating and dilating the opening of the larynx during inspiration. With cases of *laryngeal paralysis*, instead of seeing dilation of the laryngeal opening to accommodate for the inflow of air, there is actually a collapse of the laryngeal opening. There is increased effort to pull air in during inspiration. There may be a change in the bark towards a weak, hoarse sound. The stridorous sound created by the collapsing larynx creates inflammation at the orifice of the larynx which can induce coughing followed by gagging. A blue color to the tongue is indicative of poor oxygenation. The owner may report episodes of collapsing. The treatment is to provide a more functional laryngeal opening or a permanent tracheostomy.

When performing surgery to address an *overlong soft palate*, my technique of choice has been **excision of the overlong soft palate with a laser**. The carbon dioxide laser produces an invisible beam which heats and vaporizes tissue almost instantaneously. It is done so precisely that normal surrounding tissue is hardly affected. The laser seals nerve endings, reducing post-operative pain. The laser also seals lymphatic tissue, which reduces swelling. And the laser shrinks small blood vessels, considerably reducing bleeding.

The laser has eliminated my need to perform a temporary tracheostomy to manage the inhalant anesthesia via an endotracheal tube. With the endotracheal tube in place through the oral cavity, the tube can be protected and deflected with sufficient room to introduce the laser tip. The free margin of the soft palate can be scribed using the laser to shorten the palate so that the new free margin approximates the location of the tip of the epiglottis. Once scribed, the *overlong soft palate* can be shortened with the laser with excellent hemostasis. No suturing is required. And healing occurs with no adverse scar tissue or wound contracture.

When performing surgery for *laryngeal paralysis*, three techniques are considered. The **laryngeal tie-back** technique is designed to open one side of the laryngeal opening by lateralizing the arytenoid cartilage. The technique is difficult, especially in the small breed Norwich. A potential complication is an increased rate of aspiration pneumonia associated with this technique. By lateralizing the arytenoid cartilage to open the orifice of the larynx, the interface between the laryngeal orifice and the epiglottis can be disrupted which can result in an increased incidence of aspiration pneumonia. This complication can be life-threatening if the pneumonia becomes a recurring complication. For this reason I have not elected to perform the tie-back technique. The **bilateral arytenoid pexy** combined with **bilateral vocal fold excision** is another technique for consideration and has been effective in the management of laryngeal paralysis in large breed dogs. This technique may be challenging in small breed dogs given their small size. A final technique that has worked well in the Norwich is a **permanent tracheostomy**. This new opening located in the dog's neck provides a functional stoma for the inhalation and exhalation of air from the trachea. There is initial daily management of the opening as the area heals, but after a few weeks maintenance of the opening is required only if mucous should accumulate around or within the opening.

Differentiating the causes for upper airway problems in your pet requires an accurate description of the symptoms seen by the owner and an accurate assessment by your veterinarian in order to

make the appropriate diagnosis and treatment recommendations. Although upper airway diseases are relatively uncommon in Norwich Terriers when compared to other breeds, they have been seen in our referral practice and warrant surveillance on the part of breeders and pet owners to help insure that the future of the breed remains free from such diseases.

—Kenneth K. Sadanaga, VMD

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Website: www.vetreferral.com.*

AN UPDATE ON THE "FRIENDS OF NORFOLK HEALTH" DONOR ADVISED FUND

The AKC Canine Health Foundation (CHF) is in the process of changing its grant cycle. As a result, there will be a second opportunity for pre-grant proposals this year. A CHF mailing for proposed studies will be sent sometime in March. **Mitral valve disease (MVD) in Norfolk Terriers will be specifically listed.** As of February 28, 2002, the Friends of Norfolk DAF has raised **\$17,077.** According to CHF grants administrator Erica Werne, this is enough money to begin a serious MVD study. I hope to have more good news to report in the Fall 2002 *News*.

—Carol Falk, Ben Kelev Norfolk Terriers, Peabody, MA

RAW FOOD DIETS: PUBLIC HEALTH CONCERNS

Nothing provokes more debate among dog owners/breeders than the subject of what diet to feed their dogs. Everyone has a favorite. There has been a trend toward raw meat diets in recent years. One could argue that our dog's wild ancestors did not cook or add preservatives to their food, but then again we will never know how many of them died prematurely from poor nutrition, enteric infection, parasitism and intestinal obstructions. The following is a brief summary of an article that raises an issue that feeders of raw meat diets should consider.

—George G. Jeitles, Jr. V.M.D., NNTC Norwich Health/Genetics Chair.

The feeding of raw food diets has become popular amongst a segment of the dog-owning population. One of the most popular is the BARF (bones and raw food) diet. Many veterinary nutritionists are not in favor of feeding raw food, but such diets have strong support from others versed in dog nutrition. Two major concerns are the inability to insure a complete and balanced diet, and the public health risks associated with raw food. This article will concentrate on the public health aspect.

A recent article in the *Journal of The American Veterinary Medical Association* by Drs. Jeffery LeJeune and Dale Hancock at Washington State University College of Veterinary Medicine* reminds us that even meat approved for human consumption is often contaminated with bacteria either at the time of slaughter or during the processing phase. Although measures such as trimming, washing and steam pasteurization are taken, some bacteria can persist. Some of these organisms contribute to meat spoilage, others can cause illness in people and animals. Meat products not intended for human consumption but approved for dog food may contain even higher levels of bacterial contamination.

Two common bacteria species isolated from raw meat include *Salmonella* spp and *Campylobacter* spp. The article points out that twenty to thirty-five percent of poultry approved for human consumption is contaminated with *Salmonella* organisms. Pet-to-owner transmission of *Salmonella*, if infected pets are handled without practicing proper hygiene, is very possible. Many dogs shed *Salmonella* in their feces without actually showing clinical signs of the disease. Naturally, humans are also at risk of acquiring an infection simply by handling the raw meat. *Campylobacter* is

one of the most frequently reported intestinal infections in humans in the United States. Household contact with dogs is considered to be one of the most important risk factors. Again, as with Salmonella, many dogs can pass Campylobacter in their feces without appearing clinically ill. The authors point out that although the exact routes by which dogs acquire Campylobacter are not known, since most raw poultry is contaminated with the organism, food-borne infections are very likely.

The authors conclude by saying that commercial dog food diets provide excellent nutrition, but if an owner feels the need to supplement their pet's diet with additional meat-based protein, then that meat must be properly handled and cooked. Care must be taken to decrease the likelihood of either contaminating their dog or themselves with potentially harmful bacteria. Drs. LeJune and Hancock further warn that young children are especially at risk and should be taught proper food handling hygiene. Feeding of raw food diets must be performed only after careful education and consideration by pet owners of both the benefits and the risks involved.

*LeJune, J.T. & Hancock, D.D. Public health concerns associated with feeding raw meat diets to dogs, JAVMA, Vol. 219, No. 9, Nov. 1, 2001

BLADDER STONES IN DOGS

Perhaps you have owned a Norwich or a Norfolk Terrier that has had urinary tract infections. Symptoms such as bloody urine, repeated efforts to urinate, and "accidents" may have been present. Such an infection is usually cleared up quickly with antibiotics. But what if the symptoms never clear up or recur after treatment? An X-ray of your dog may show "stones"—also known as uroliths or urinary calculi.

Urine contains the body's waste products in the form of soluble salts. When urine becomes supersaturated with these salts, they may precipitate to form crystals. If the crystals are not excreted, they may aggregate (clump together) into solid concretions ("stones"). The stones may vary in size from pin-head to goose egg, and may be round, pointy, or irregular shapes. They may be found in the urinary bladder, or stuck in the urethra (tube to the outside), especially in male dogs. Some of the causes of uroliths in dogs include genetic predisposition, bacterial urinary tract infections, high urine pH, low water intake, diet and systemic illness, which affects the concentration of minerals in the urine.

There are several common types of uroliths. About 75 percent are made of struvite (magnesium ammonium phosphate). The usual cause of struvite urolith formation is a bacterial urinary tract infection (cystitis). The bacteria (usually staphylococcus) produce a substance called urease, which promotes high levels of ammonia, phosphate, and other ions that alkalinize (raise the pH of) the urine. The combination of a high pH and large amounts of these crystalline "building blocks" can cause a rapid formation of uroliths. They can be found as early as 2 to 8 weeks after a bout of cystitis.

About 10 percent of uroliths in dogs are calcium oxalate. Oxalate is an end product of normal metabolism, and some is expected in urine. It is found in green leafy vegetables and can be made from vitamin C in the body. Oxalate can crystallize with calcium in the urine when the pH is relatively low, and when extra calcium is found in the urine. Diseases such as hyperparathyroidism, lymphoma, or kidney failure can cause increased urine calcium, as can vitamin D overdose or too much oxalate in the diet. Infection is not a cause of these uroliths.

About 5 percent of uroliths are urate (ammonium acid urate). These are most commonly found in Dalmatian dogs, who excrete much more uric acid than other breeds, due to unique liver function. Urate stones may also be found in dogs with portal vascular anomalies (liver "shunt"), which causes increased levels of ammonia and uric acid in the urine. Liver shunts are seen occasionally in Norfolk and Norwich, where they appear as a congenital defect, causing stunting and neurological abnormalities. Other uroliths, including cystine, calcium phosphate, silica, and mixed types are seen in dogs. These may be due to inborn errors of metabolism or diet.

Diagnosis of uroliths usually follows urinalysis, physical exam, urine culture, and radiographs (X rays). The stones, if sizable, are usually removed by abdominal surgery (cystotomy). In male dogs

there may be stones located further along in the urinary tract (urethra). A male dog that is suddenly or intermittently unable to pass urine may have a stone lodged just before the penis. A temporary (urethrotomy) or permanent (urethrostomy) opening may be needed to release these stones. A culture may be taken to determine whether infection is present. The uroliths that are recovered are sent to a lab for quantitative analysis to identify the exact mineral composition.

In the case of struvite uroliths, medical treatment can sometimes be used to gradually dissolve the stones, rather than surgery. The dog is allowed only one special food (such as Hills® S/D) for weeks to months, until radiographs show that the stones are gone. The food contains lower levels of magnesium and phosphate, and has more salt than regular dog food. It causes a low pH in the urine, and very low concentrations of urolith precursors (minerals). The added salt promotes thirst and, with more water intake, the urine is more diluted. Antibiotics are given until no trace of infection is present.

Unfortunately, the other types of uroliths do not dissolve in this manner. Surgical removal is a must, and in some cases lifelong drugs are given to help prevent recurrence. If a dog suffers from calcium oxalate stones, the urine must be maintained at a higher pH. A drug such as potassium citrate may be given. The dog must be checked for hyperparathyroidism and other systemic diseases.

For a dog with urate stones, very low protein diets may help (Hills® U/D) and a drug called Allopurinol (Zyloprim) may be used. The urine is best kept at a neutral pH or slightly alkaline, using sodium bicarb. Unless he is a Dalmatian, he should be checked for a possible liver shunt, for which surgery may be helpful.

For cystine stones, D-Penicillamine is a helpful drug, and a vegetable-based diet may be the best. To prevent uroliths from recurring, it is essential to: (1) treat all urinary tract infections promptly and continue antibiotics until infection is truly eliminated, (2) encourage water intake, (3) feed special foods if appropriate, for the remainder of the dog's life, (4) use medications appropriate for the type of urolith.

Recurrence rates for urolith formation may be high, even with the best preventative care. Calcium oxalate and urate uroliths can be virtually impossible to prevent in some dogs. Constant vigilance and surgical removal when necessary remains the best treatment for these unlucky patients.

—Kim Hennessy, DVM, 244 Barneston Road, Honey Brook, PA 19344

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CANINE DENTAL CARE SHOULD NOT BE LIKE PULLING TEETH!

"Imagine how your teeth would look and feel if you didn't brush routinely. Now, imagine if you never brushed them at all. Well, the same applies to your pet's mouth. Unless you are providing some form of dental care, you are neglecting an important factor in the over-all health of your pet." This statement from a brochure "Pets Have Teeth Too!" (Dr. Shipp's Laboratories, Los Angeles) grabbed my attention. Dog owners go to great lengths to assure proper care of their pets. We feed them the best food; their health problems are carefully monitored by a veterinarian; they are bathed, combed and brushed; flea and tick preventatives are administered on a regular basis. We also take our dogs on vacations and to obedience training. We shower them with love and affection, then neglect a very basic part of their care—teeth cleaning.

Do you brush your dog's teeth? If not, why not? Canine periodontal disease is one of the most common problems seen by veterinarians. Signs and symptoms range from bad breath, plaque and tartar formation, inflammation and/or bleeding of the gums, loose and/or infected teeth, and tooth

and bone loss. Plaque is the collection of food particles and bacteria that accumulate along a dog's gum line. Tartar, the yellow-brown, hard matter on teeth, is the result of plaque and saliva formation. What many refer to as "doggy breath" is not necessarily normal and is the most common sign of oral disease.

Periodontal disease not only affects a dog's mouth. It can also result in generalized infections of a dog's kidneys, liver and heart, particularly affecting the heart's mitral valve. Those of us Norfolk breeders/owners who are currently very concerned about mitral valve disease (MVD) in the breed should start a regular routine of brushing our dogs' teeth. See the Winter 1998 *News* article, "Heart Disease in Norfolk Terriers," for a more detailed explanation of the relationship between periodontal disease and MVD.

In addition to these serious health problems, what about the pain our dogs must feel when their teeth are rotting and neglected? I have known of dogs that in later life have no teeth and can no longer enjoy the simple pleasure of chewing their kibble or a good bone.

Many dog owners believe they are caring for their dogs' teeth, but are sadly mistaken. For instance, some owners have their dogs' teeth cleaned every year or so by a veterinarian. This involves placing the animal under general anesthesia. What happens when the dog ages and becomes a risk to go under general anesthesia? Other owners rely on rawhide chews, bones and dry kibble to help reduce plaque and tartar. *None of these methods is a substitute for brushing teeth on a regular basis.* Dry kibble, bones, etc., may all be incorporated into a good dental program, but not to the exclusion of brushing teeth. This cannot be stressed enough. Besides being a simple thing to do, consider the benefits for the dog you love. Brushing works. I have three dogs, including a 12-year-old Norfolk, with no tartar buildup. I hope those of you reading this article will now take that first step. *Go out and buy a canine or a child's toothbrush and a tube of canine toothpaste and start brushing your dog's teeth on a regular basis—every day if possible, but at least three times a week.* So what will happen the next time you bring your dog in for his yearly checkup? What will your veterinarian see when he opens your dog's mouth? The answer is up to you!

Getting Started: Instructions For Brushing Your Dog's Teeth

Ideally, the way to begin is with clean teeth. If you have not been brushing your dog's teeth, have them cleaned first by your veterinarian, then begin home care:

1. Introduce your dog slowly to the process of brushing his teeth. Place a toothbrush in his mouth, move it around a little, then remove it. This may be followed by a treat. You may also try a finger toothbrush in the beginning. A friend of mine uses, with good success, a relatively quiet battery-operated toothbrush with soft bristles. I have not tried this yet, preferring for now the old-fashioned toothbrush.
2. Place a flavored (malt, beef, chicken, liver) canine toothpaste on the toothbrush and introduce it gently. Let your dog lick the flavored toothpaste. Do not use human toothpaste or baking soda. These can make your dog ill. Canine toothpastes are especially formulated for dogs' teeth. Some of these toothpastes have antibacterial properties, which help decrease the bacteria in a dog's mouth.
3. Once your dog accepts the toothbrush in his mouth, gently pull his lips and cheek up and begin brushing on one side only, using back-and-forth and up-and-down movements. Brushing along the gum line is especially important because tartar builds up under the gums, causing teeth to loosen. Angling the toothbrush bristles slightly upward will aid in getting under the gum line. Give your dog lots of praise and keep the brushing upbeat. Soon you'll be able to brush his whole mouth! You can begin to brush a puppy's teeth as soon as his adult teeth are in.
4. Do not forget the teeth in the back of your dog's mouth. Tartar seems to attack these back teeth first. These teeth are more difficult to reach, so you may have to rely more on feeling than seeing when you are brushing. The outside surfaces require the most care, so concentrate your efforts there. Good luck and good brushing!

—Kathleen Eimil, "Mayfair" Norfolk, San Francisco, CA

"HOW I SPENT MY SUMMER VACATION"



Photo: Richard Schlier

Staying home with the kids

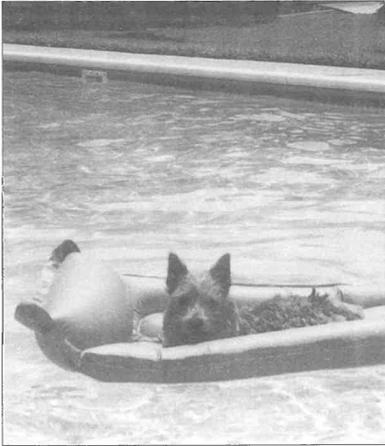


Photo: Terry Hamman

Rafting in the backyard pool

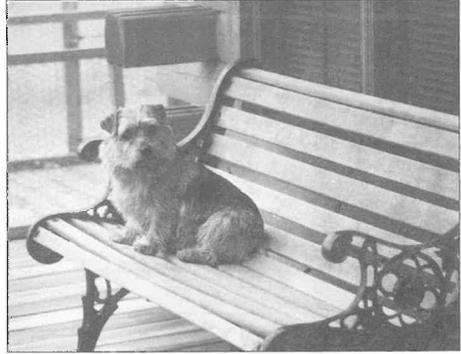


Photo: Toni Harold

Warming the bench



Photo: Sue Ely

Pursuing the Monster Mole



Photo: Audrey Mullin

Battling the garden hose

the *News*' "middle age" milestone, this issue's "pages from the past" features the cover and subsequent page from the inaugural publication. I hope you'll enjoy this brief stroll through Club history.

—AGF



KENNEL ORIGINS

UPLAND SPRING - A great and well-known breeder on the Show scene, Mrs. Howe Low has an enviable record in the Norwich Terrier world. Mrs. Low was given an imported Prick-eared bitch, Hunca Monkey, whom she bred to the imported Pax of the Briars. The result was Upland Spring Honey Dun. This famous Norwich won at Westminster as a puppy in 1951. Since then Honey Dun's descendants have won best of breed or best of opposite sex every year except one at Westminster. The one exception was the result of her entries not arriving in time.

LONGWAYS - Mrs. Emory Alexander thought it would be a longways to go before she got her first Championship. You will see this is not so when you read about her winning Champions elsewhere in this issue

HIGH RISING - On land in the possession of the family for more than fifty years is the attractive modern house and kennels where Mr. Grant Dickson Green and his Norwich Terriers live. High Rising was chosen many years ago by the Greens from an English novel. It has proved an appropriate one as invariably their homes have been situated on hill-tops. Here beside the pine grove many High Rising Prick-eared Champions have been bred.

MT. PAUL - Four generations of Winstons with four generations of Norwich Terriers live at Mt. Paul farm in Gladstone, New Jersey. The land where our Hon. Secretary, Mrs. John L. Winston, and her husband farm has been in the family for over fifty years. Named for Chief Paul of the Roxiticus Indian Tribe, legend has it that he planted the first pine tree on their Hill. The Chief is buried beneath this tree and there is now a ring of hemlocks on the top. Mrs. Winston says she has lost count of the number of children and grandchildren her first Norwich Terrier - nine year old Castle Point Trivet - has in the community. She is the Dam of Ch. Mt. Paul Anderson, who was best in match twice and is this kennels' leading stud dog.

PHOTOGRAPHS - The Club has two Honorary Photographers: Dickson Green and Constance Stuart Larrabee. We hope to illustrate future issues. The two charming photographs of Norwich Terriers which grace our first issue were taken by Dickson Green, who is also the owner of the Prick-eared Ch. High Rising Hardy Perennial. The Drop-eared is Ch. Mt. Paul Anderson. Mrs. Winston writes "He not only has bolted Foxes, but once when I was run at by an irate doe, protecting her fawn, he grabbed her by the muzzle when she struck at me and hung on as she ran through the woods, swinging her head back and forth. The dog ended up with some broken ribs after he was swung against a large tree."

THE CONSTANCE STUART LARRABEE SCHOLARSHIP

Last September (2001), I received a letter from NNTC member Anna Bellenger concerning the proposed establishment of a permanently endowed scholarship in honor of **Constance Stuart Larrabee (CSL)** at Washington College in Chestertown, Maryland. Constance (King's Prevention Norwich and Norfolk), who passed away on July 27, 2000 (see the Fall 2000 *News*, pp. 10-14), lived in Chestertown for almost 50 years and was a long-time, generous supporter of the arts at Washington College. She served for many years as president of the college's Friends of the Arts and provided the leadership gift for the arts center, which opened on campus in 1990 and which bears her name. Washington College awarded Constance an honorary degree of arts in 1986. At a memorial service held in early September, 2000, President John Toll paid tribute to Constance's "scintillating intelligence, youthful spirit, boundless energy, generosity of heart, and her keen interest in the success of our students and their pursuit of the arts." [*Washington College Magazine*, Winter 2000-2001].

A follow-up letter in January 2002 announced the successful establishment of the CSL Endowed Scholarship. Beginning in Fall 2002, a scholarship of more than \$10,000 a year will be awarded to "an incoming Washington College student with demonstrated financial need and proven talent in art, music or drama, but not necessarily majoring in the arts . . . Special preference will be given to a student from the Eastern Shore of Maryland."

The CSL Scholarship will be capable of receiving additional gifts at any time, to be used to increase the amount of money available to the recipient(s). Anyone wishing to contribute should mail their gift to: The Constance Stuart Larrabee Scholarship Committee, 226 Calvert Street, Chestertown, MD 21620; telephone: 410-778-5154. I'm sure that Anna Bellenger, a member of the committee, will be happy to provide additional information about this wonderful tribute to her good friend, Constance. Anna's address is P. O. Box 449, Unionville, PA 19375. Her phone number is 610-347-0499.

—Alison Freehling

THE NEW PRESIDENT OF THE AKC MUSEUM OF THE DOG

Ed.: At my request, Nonie Reynders sent the following news of her exciting new position. Congratulations, Nonie. —AGF

Last fall (2001), NNTC member **Knowlton A. ("Nonie") Reynders** of Highwood Norwich was elected president of the American Kennel Club Museum of the Dog. She had joined the board of the Museum in 1999.

The AKC Museum of the Dog, located in St. Louis, maintains a brilliant collection of works that have depicted man's best friend in the last three centuries. Oils and sketches by Landseer and Armfield and by Wardle and Earl, bronzes by Harrah, and etchings by Kirmse are but a few of the distinguished artists on permanent display.

In her new role, Nonie wishes to encourage NNTC members and friends to consider membership in the Museum. Dues of only \$35 per year provide a subscription to *Sirius*, the Museum's attractive quarterly publication, free admission to the Museum itself, and discounts in the gift shop.

If you would like to learn more about this wonderful resource of dog art, look for their booth at Westminster and other major dog shows, and watch for traveling exhibits of their works in your region in the near future. Or ask for the CD-ROM, soon to be completed, that will provide a tour of the Museum. And, if you are in St. Louis on a Sunday, drop by the Museum and meet the Guest Dog of the Week—a program featuring representatives of different breeds presented by their breeder-exhibitors. The Museum's address is 1721 South Mason Road, St. Louis, MO 63131. Phone: 314-821-3647; Fax: 314-821-7381.

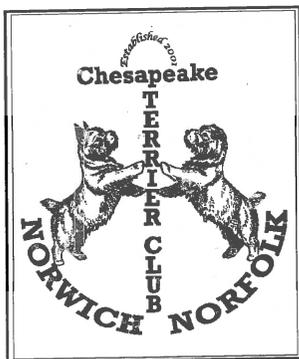
—Nonie Reynders, Bedford Hills, NY

A NEW ALL-TERRIER MAGAZINE

Just Terriers, a new quarterly magazine published by Norwich breeder (“Just Us”) and *News* subscriber Suzanne Orban-Stagle, debuted at the 2001 Montgomery County show. As its name suggests, the magazine features numerous articles pertaining to terriers—health issues, grooming issues, breeders, the breed, breed history, etc. Not to be forgotten are the terriers in the arts—paintings, prints, even hooked rugs. The magazine is edited by Muriel Lee, a professional writer and long-time Scottish Terrier fancier. Muriel has twenty published books to her credit, the best-known being *The Whelping and Rearing of Puppies*, still the bible of whelping books after 20 years in print. For further information about the magazine, visit the Just Terriers website at <http://www.justterriers.com>.

—Suzanne Orban-Stagle, Trappe, MD

NEW KID ON THE BLOCK: THE CHESAPEAKE NORWICH AND NORFOLK TERRIER CLUB



On July 8, 2001, 21 Norwich and Norfolk fanciers from the Mid-Atlantic area assembled at the Howard County Fairgrounds in West Friendship, MD and formed the Chesapeake Norwich and Norfolk Terrier Club (CNNTC). The following slate of officers was elected:

President:	Hal Happersett
Vice-President:	Cricket Goodall (Cricket is also Events Director)
Treasurer:	Joan Dance
Corresponding Secretary:	Robin Siegel (Robin is also Membership Chair)
Recording Secretary:	Connie Allen

The region covered by the CNNTC includes Maryland, Virginia, Delaware, West Virginia, Pennsylvania and Washington, DC. Our Club started with 29 Founding Members and has grown to 67 Charter Members. We draw experience from an enthusiastic group with many diverse interests and are excited about hosting many performance events, as well as breed health symposiums, hands-on grooming seminars, etc.

Robin Siegel has also accepted the task of editing the CNNTC's newsletter, "Ups & Downs." This lively and informative publication keeps members aware of local events and happenings. Non-members may subscribe by contacting Robin Siegel, 1217 Clement Place, Silver Spring, MD 20910. Robin's email is pennyroyalnorwich@yahoo.com.

Our Club is very social. Members frequently assemble at dog shows to eat and share camaraderie. When traveling through the area, please join us!

—Hal Happersett, CNNTC President, Ellicott City, MD

HOBBY BREEDERS

Dog breeding, in my opinion, should be a hobby, never a business. When I receive inquiries from people who ask if I'm in the business of selling dogs, I'm put off. A hobby, according to the dictionary, is "an activity or any sort of interest primarily for a pastime." A business is defined as "the buying or selling of goods or services, etc." I've never been quite sure how my hobby began. After all, none of us just awoke one morning deciding to be dog breeders. Some of us, such as myself, came from other breeds prior to our association with Norfolk Terriers.

My beginnings in Norfolks took me to the home of an elderly woman with a litter of three females. Having come from other breeds, I was insistent that my first Norfolk be sired by a particular dog. I had already begun my homework. I had gathered information about how small dogs have difficulty getting into whelp (pregnant) and whelping (giving birth). I used this information whenever I discussed the breed with those far more knowledgeable about Norfolks than I was. That day in that woman's home, I sat on the floor looking only at the rear end of the three female puppies, deciding which one was broad enough from hip to hip. It certainly wasn't a scientific decision—just a hunch I borrowed from an obstetrician friend. Women who are broad you know where have an easier time having babies. My first Norfolk female was broad. She also had ears so long and so wide they looked as if they belonged on a hound dog. Her back was also as long as a train. She had an excellent bite and a good front. Her best feature was her temperament. She was gentle and loving.

I didn't think of myself as a Norfolk breeder after my first litter. Anyone can breed a litter. I began speaking with those I considered Norfolk breeders and handlers. In those days the breed was called Norwich drop ear. My philosophy was to go to the source and gather information. I read the standard and also learned about the history of the breed. I was lucky that so many of the early Norfolk breeders were still participating in the breed. Exhibiting at all-breed shows and club matches was fun as well as educational. The interaction between a newcomer and those in the know is revealing. You can never learn enough. Educating yourself about a breed is an ongoing event. The person who thinks he/she knows it all is kidding himself. Even after thirty years, I'm still learning.

My first Norfolk was shown, much to her chagrin. She earned some points, but never finished. I bred her to a dog with a proper ear and a shorter back. The result was a natural whelping of a litter of five. Here is where the hobby breeder comes into this article. If I had been in business, I would have sold all five puppies. After all, the object of a business is to make money. For me, dog breeding was and still is a hobby. I kept a handsome male with proper ears and shorter back and who also retained his dam's good hindquarter and personality. He went on to his championship. A female puppy went to the then president of the Norwich Terrier Club. Within a few months this lovely, well-made young lady came back to me, as her owner was not well. Having this Norfolk bitch returned was a stroke of luck.

From the moment I began in the breed, I had a plan, a direction. A hobby breeder's main objective is to protect the breed. To that end, one must always keep the standard foremost in one's mind. Temperament and health issues must be at the forefront as well. A hobby breeder is not conducting a business. A hobby breeder keeps a puppy from every litter bred and whelped. A hobby breeder will run the puppy on, always hoping that this puppy, this litter, is better than the last one. Exhibiting the latest puppy is the breeder's way of saying I'm trying to breed the best dogs I can. Prior to breeding, pedigrees must be looked at to determine if this possible mating will produce a good litter. Assuming the homework is done correctly, the litter should have at least one pup worthy of keeping. A dog business is one in which a litter is born, reaches the age to go to new homes, and all the puppies are sold. Why would any Norfolk breeder succumb to that? What is the point of breeding a litter if not for keeping a puppy?

Recently, puppy "companies" have sprung up on the Internet. These "companies" encourage breeders to take part in their sales pitch. Simply put, the breeder signs up with the company and the company sells puppies for the breeder via the Internet. To the unassuming buyer, it all sounds good;

after all, the breeder is in control of the puppy. Tell me, how does the “company” know the breeder has Norfolks of quality? I often recommend other Norfolk breeders to people making inquiries, but I know the breeder and their dogs. Some Norfolk breeders breed more often than others. These breeders usually have enough room to keep puppies. Norfolk breeders who breed often and then use every excuse in the book for selling the entire litter are not fooling the genuine Norfolk hobby breeders. These people are doing a disservice to the Norfolk breed. Most often they will select a stud dog whose owner does not charge a lot for the breeding service. I’d rather purchase my puppy from a hobby breeder, a breeder who has taken the effort to breed to the best stud dog in hopes of producing the best litter he/she can. Watch for that puppy at the AKC shows. For most of us in the fancy, breeding is a hobby, one that offers us the best pastime, a pastime of pleasure and exhilaration. Buy your puppy from a breeder, a hobby breeder.

—Barbara Miller, Old Brookville, NY

FEDERAL REGULATION OF DOG BREEDING?

Here we go again! I hope that Norfolk and Norwich breeders will read this article because it deals with a serious situation. A few years ago, I returned from Great Britain with the warning that docking of dogs’ tails would soon be against the law. Many of you refused to believe me. Those who have read my subsequent articles now realize that a tail-docking ban is no longer just an issue. In many European countries, it is pure fact. I have also warned about the “dangerous dog” laws popping up in many European countries such as Germany. If you read canine magazines and newspapers, you know that such laws are also now a fact in many countries. Some communities in America are now battling similar laws. We no longer can say, “Oh well, these things only happen across the pond.” We certainly can’t say that after September 11, 2001. We are part of the big picture, whether in the dog fancy or in politics.

And now comes the Doris Day Animal League (DDAL). If you think PETA (People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals) has clout, think again. Doris Day is a celebrity name, which attracts more celebrities to DDAL ranks. What I’m reporting to you is on the American Kennel Club’s website (<http://www.akc.org>). *Dog News* also wrote about the problem. Believe me, if the proposed federal regulation of dog breeding takes place, it will affect all hobby breeders.

Presently, the U. S. Department of Agriculture has on the books the Animal Welfare Act. DDAL wants that Act expanded to require the licensing and inspection of every person who sells a dog, including non-commercial and in-home hobby breeders. If passed, this legislation will also dictate when the first breeding of a bitch may occur and will limit the number of times a bitch may be bred. Do you want the federal government in your whelping box? I thought we breeders were governed by the rules of our parent breed clubs and the AKC.

If the above provisions of this bill do not bother you, listen to this. The DDAL-sponsored legislation will also require breeders to socialize all puppies according to rules and regulations developed by animal welfare and behavior “experts.” Imagine Big Brother telling you how to raise your puppies! My goodness, I cannot believe that we hobby breeders, as citizens of the United States, have come to such a strong-armed time in our lives!

I’ll give the DDAL the benefit of the doubt. Let’s assume this organization wants only the big commercial dog breeders to be hit with expanded regulations. We all would like to see these puppy mills put out of business. Any law that affects commercial breeders, though, will affect hobby breeders as well. Where do you think the USDA inspectors will spend their time—with the large commercial dog breeders or the small hobby breeders? Hobby breeders are easier to “get to.”

Please do not think this could never happen to us! Right now in Congress, there is tremendous support for this bill. The “uneducated” Senator or Representative—and by that I mean one who thinks he/she is protecting the canine population—will certainly vote in favor of this legislation.

Norfolk and Norwich Terrier breeders must support the AKC's efforts to work with sponsors of this bill to amend its overly intrusive provisions. I urge all of you to write or fax your Senators and Representatives in the United States Congress asking them to OPPOSE this bill—S. 1478/H.R. 3058—as it now exists. Please do not take this lightly! If enacted, such expanded federal regulation of dog breeding will affect the entire fancy as we presently know it.

—Barbara Miller

Ed.: The AKC website notes that additional information about bills S. 1478/H. R. 3058 and other legislative issues affecting dogs and dog breeders/owners may be found at doglaw@akc.org. —AGF

AND WE THOUGHT EARS WERE THE ONLY DIFFERENCE!

My husband Donny and I live with a Norfolk and a Norwich, both five-year-old males. They arrived in our home a few weeks apart as thirteen-to-fourteen-week-old puppies. From what we had seen and read about the two breeds, Donny and I assumed our dogs would have similar personalities. Wrong. Their differences manifested themselves early on and, by six months, it was clear we had two very different dogs on our hands. We assumed the differences were unique to our dogs. Wrong again. We have since learned from other Norfolk and Norwich owners that the two breeds do indeed have different personality traits and that apparently our dogs are typical representatives.

Decker, our Norfolk, is a very busy boy. He likes nothing better than to spend an hour or so examining the nooks and crannies of his escape-proof backyard. The weather, time of day or night, company or lack thereof, are all irrelevant to him. If I am out in the yard gardening, Decker will eventually sit down close by, always with his back to me, seemingly guarding or watching for action in the rest of the yard. Meanwhile, Wojo, our Norwich, will have picked out a nice spot under the maple tree and taken a nap.

While on patrol late one evening, Decker started barking furiously. Donny, Wojo and I went out to investigate and found Decker captivated by something in a dense shrub. Suddenly an opossum popped out. Decker had to be restrained to allow it to escape. Wojo stood on the deck and watched the action from a safe distance.

Some rodent is now spending the winter under an old fallen tree trunk at the east end of our backyard. Decker excavates around any recent activity and comes in with dirt all over his face and feet. Wojo sniffs around the hole and comes in clean.

Their different attitude toward critters carries over to our cat. Once in a while, Decker tries to jump on the cat in hopes that the cat will run so he can give chase. Wojo respects the cat and tries to get the cat to play by dancing around him.

This is not to say that Wojo is a wimp. Not at all. His priorities are just different and he is very pushy about making sure they are fulfilled. Going for a walk is a case in point. Decker, Wojo and I walk each morning, but our weekend walks do not happen as promptly as Wojo prefers. If we are not out the door by mid-morning, Wojo follows me around like a shadow and squeaks. Then he tries to speed things up by running back and forth between me and the door. This is often accompanied by his distinctive bark, "ACH." If the walk is on a beach with no traffic, Wojo wants to be let off his leash so he can run like the wind! Decker enjoys the walk, but Wojo is the motivating force.

Our Norfolk and Norwich also have different attitudes about getting up on things. For Decker, it is one jump onto the sofa and a second onto the living room bay window from which he has a terrific view of the front yard. Or one jump onto the floor of our Bronco, a second jump onto the seat. We had to relocate our corner dining room chairs to eliminate his easy second jump onto the kitchen counter! Wojo is capable of the same jumps, but he prefers to be lifted. He tells

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you it's time to do so by wagging his tail and squeaking or, if that does not produce the desired result, scratching persistently on your leg.

Another difference is what stimulates them visually. Both dogs get very excited about a ride in the car. Once on our way, however, Wojo is happy to sleep on the car floor. Decker stands and looks out the window, whether it is a five-minute ride to the grocery store or four hours to visit friends in Vermont.

Wojo keeps his eye on the T.V. The minute there is a picture of a dog, he flies off the sofa and barks at the screen. Decker loves to join in, more for the sake of barking than because of what is on the T.V.

Speaking of barking, I've mentioned Wojo's squeaks and "ACH." Decker is a "Woo, Woo, Woo" guy. When Donny or I come home, I swear he is asking, "Where Were You?!" He also has a morning greeting that sounds a lot like Hello!

Wojo is in charge of announcing when it is time to eat. He likes to take his meals in his crate and will sit in it until dinner is served. He eats slowly, savoring each morsel. Decker likes to precede his meal with a demonstration of sit, down, roll over, sit, jump, sit, stay, ok! whether it is asked for or not—and then his meal is gone in a flash.

As different as our Norfolk and Norwich are, sometimes the lines get blurry. Wojo instigates the tussles with Decker, yet is a cuddler with Donny and me. Decker licks us liberally, but does not care for hugs. Because of his "macho" personality, we decided to have Decker neutered. Wojo, more laid-back, is still intact. As we have learned, ears are only one difference between the two breeds!

—Lark Shlimbaum, Bay Shore, NY

Ed.: Good buddies "Decker" and "Wojo" are pictured on the front cover of the News.



Photo: Cathrine Scott

"Jack" of Hearts (a Norwich)

NORFOLK AND NORWICH AT THE AUGUST 2001 SCOTTISH KC SHOW

Every August, Edinburgh hosts a citywide Arts Festival, an incredible experience with concerts, theater, a book festival, dance, bagpipers, vendors, The Black Watch at Edinburgh Castle and more. All these events keep you entertained from dawn to long after dark. This year I went with my niece, Kristan, and her husband Pete. Part of my aim on this vacation was also to attend the Scottish Kennel Club's 162nd Benched General Championship Show, which was held August 25th-26th at the Royal Highland Showground near Edinburgh airport.

Terriers were judged the second day of the show, along with Gundogs and Hounds. Judge Jon Rudkin (Nathans), President of the UK Norfolk Terrier Club, had an entry of 26 Norfolk and just 5 Norwich. The entry was so lopsided because there were no Challenge Certificates awarded to Norwich at this show. There is no Best of Breed class in the UK. Finished Champions compete with non-champions in the Open Dog or Open Bitch class. This makes it much harder for a dog/bitch to earn a title in the U. K. than it is here. Picture your class Norfolk or Norwich having to compete against the current reigning breed star at every show in order to earn his championship! Daunting to say the least . . .

Two Norfolk Champions were entered in the Open Dog class. **Ch. Belleville Magic Flute**, bred and shown by Cathy Thompson, was **Best of Breed** and **Dog CC**. There were no Norfolk bitch champions entered. The **Bitch CC** went to the Open bitch, **Foxhouse Step Ahead to Kinsridge**, owned by Mr. D. Jenkins and Miss R. Allen. It was wonderful to see the strong Norfolk entry. The Norfolks were very, very impressive.

In Norwich, **Best of Breed** honors went to **Ch. Jaeva Jailhouse Rock**, a cobby black and tan who answers to the call name, "Elvis." "Elvis" was Best of Breed and Dog CC Winner at last year's Crufts show.



Ch. Jaeva Jailhouse Rock ("Elvis")

Photo: Leandra Little

After judging, I had an opportunity to speak with Mr. Rudkin. He told me he looks first for how the entrant fits the breed standard as one of the smallest terriers, a demon for his size with strong dentition. He said, "the tip of the tongue sticks out if the bite isn't right. Everything should be in proportion. The head should have a good stop and a broad skull with a dark, almond-shaped eye." Mr. Rudkin also looks for a gentle slope of neck into the withers, rather than an abrupt stop, proceeding into a level, short back. He looks for the classic breed example in outline, condition, and soundness, with correct tail and ear carriage. He said he "was not looking for faults, but rather how the Norfolk and Norwich fit the standard." No dog is perfect, he added, so it's rather the degree of fault. One problem in the breeds, he noted, was that they are getting bigger.

Here are a few other personal observations about the Scottish KC show. The show grounds were beautiful. Everyone was friendly and helpful in explaining the British judging system. Exhibitors dress more casually than we do here in the states. The women all wore slacks, usually with a jacket. Since the Norfolk and Norwich rings were away from the benches, the entrants set up shop near the rings rather than under the tented bench area. This worked fine because the weather cooperated. All in all it was a terrific experience—a classroom for the eye, so to speak.



*Foxhouse Step Ahead to Kinsridge,
Norfolk Bitch CC*

Photo: Leandra Little

—Leandra (Lee) Little, Weehawken, NJ

NORFOLK TERRIERS AT HATBORO AND DEVON 2001

Terrier breeders' and owners' enthusiasm for the first weekend in October is second to none. We anticipate it, wait for it, and thoroughly enjoy it when it arrives. This year our enthusiasm was clouded by the tragedies of September 11th. Being the great Americans that we are, many of us defied the hurt the terrorists had laid upon our nation and made our way to Pennsylvania for four days of great shows. Some West Coast handlers decided to drive, as they were concerned that their dogs would not be allowed on airplanes. Still, many others flew, proving to themselves and to the terrorists that our lives will go on because there is no country stronger, more democratic or freer to live in than our own United States.

I spent the summer recuperating from major foot surgery, but was hell bent on getting to the Montgomery weekend. My foot was in a surgical boot and my surgeon instructed me to use a walker and wheelchair at the shows. Louise Leone came to my rescue, acting as my private nurse. She flew to New York from Denver and was with me from beginning to end. Louise, thank you again and again. As we drove to Pennsylvania, we remarked how green the trees were, showing little or no signs of fall colors. Many of us watch the weather channel for days prior to departing so that we get a handle on what clothes to pack. For the first two days, we needed lightweight clothing as temperatures soared into the mid-eighties. The third day, we had pouring rain in the morning, but eventually it was sunny and pleasant. As for Montgomery itself, gloves, winter coats, hats, hoods and blankets were appropriate clothing.

Hatboro Dog Club held two shows back to back on Thursday and Friday. Both shows were at the Middletown Grange Fair Grounds in Wrightstown, PA. Mr. William Ferrara, longtime Westie breeder, was the Norfolk judge for the first event. He had an entry of forty-two Norfolk with six absentees. A black and tan from California, **Arroyo's Desperado**, owned and bred by Ann and Ed Dum, took home the **Winners Dog/Best of Winners** ribbons for a five-point major. Desperado is sired by Ch. Arroyo's Keefold Grizzly out of Bonfyre's Scarlet Letter. This win earned Desperado his title, allowing him to move up to the Best of Breed class the following days. Breeder Beth Sweigart handled **Yarrow's Classic Bentley**, accepting the **Reserve Winners Dog** ribbon for owner Blair Maynard. In bitches Kathleen Eimil's **Wintersky Talk Of The Town** walked away with the **Winners Bitch** ribbon and a four-point major. Freddie Jackson, Larry Rockwell and Michael LaBrie bred this fifteen-month-old-bitch. Her sire, Ch. Mayfair's Rock 'N' Roll, and her dam, Ch. Copperplate Wintersky Cricket, are National Specialty winners—Rock 'N' Roll in 1991 under English Norfolk breeder (Nanfan), Joy Taylor, and Cricket in 1998 under American Norfolk breeder (Surrey) and all-around judge, Anne Rogers Clark. **Chantilly's Lizzie**, bred and owned by Sue and Jim O'Brien, went **Reserve Winners Bitch**. John and Pam Beale and Beth Sweigart own and bred the **Best of Opposite Sex** winner, **Ch. Yarrow's Venerie Vamp**, sired by Ch. Max-Well's Spring Into Action out of Ch. Yarrow's Lady in Red. Mr. Ferrara selected breeder/owner Andrew Kramer's **Ch. Mercator Proof Positive** as his **Best of Breed** winner. Robyn Snyder handled the winner, who is sired by Ch. Ruddle Ridge Nelson's Victory out of Ch. Glenelg Piacere.

At the second Hatboro show, judge John (Jack) Simm took charge of the Norfolk ring. Jack is no stranger to Norfolks, having handled both drop and prick ear Norwich before separation for Mr. and Mrs. Philip Fell. At two of our Club's National Specialty shows at Bucks County KC, Jack won Best of Breed with Ch. Badgewood the Huntress and Ch. Badgewood Monty Collins. He also piloted Monty in 1975 and 1976 to Best of Breeds at Montgomery.

Mr. Simm had an entry of fifty-three Norfolks with eight absent. He awarded **Yarrow's Classic Bentley**, exhibited by his breeder Beth Sweigart, the **Winners Dog/Best of Winners** ribbons. Bentley's sire is Ch. Max-Well's Spring into Action and his dam, Ch. Yarrow's Lady in Red. **Reserve Winners Dog** went to breeder/owner Joan Eckert's **Abbedale Diamond Jim Brady**, handled by Jody Paquette. Kathleen Eimil's **Wintersky Talk Of The Town** excelled this day, going **Winners Bitch** and **Best of Opposite Sex**. Amy Rutherford beautifully presented her for a five-point major. **Chestnut Hills Lily**, bred and owned by Karen and Ronald Anderson, was **Reserve Winners Bitch**. Susan Kipp accepted

the **Best of Breed** ribbon for **Ch. Max-Well's Cyclone**, who later in the day took a **Group Two** under Mr. Simm. Ch. Max-Well's Weatherman (Storm), winner of twenty-three Best in Shows, is Cyclone's sire. His dam is Ch. Max-Well's My Thyme.

Saturday at Devon on the old horse show grounds, Norfolk judging began well after the rain had left. The sun offered a perfect afternoon for the entry of fifty-nine Norfolks with twelve absent. Ms. Barbara Keenan is a well-known terrier judge. For years she bred and exhibited Westies and some Kerry Blues. It was a great day for Joan Eckert's **Abbedale Diamond Jim Brady**, handled by Jody Paquette, as he won the **Winners Dog** ribbon for a five-point major. This young dog is sired by Ch. Shelly's Diamond Dealer out of Joan's Abbedale Calamity Jane. Ms. Keenan awarded **Strathcona Creates A Buzz** the **Reserve Winners Dog** ribbon. Peter Atkinson handled this dog for owners/breeders Lyle and Brenda Coleman and co-owner Jeffrey Katz. Not skipping a step from the day before, **Wintersky Talk Of The Town** moved swiftly into the **Winners Bitch/Best of Winners** slot and topped it off with the **Best of Breed**. I'd say that's pretty good for a little girl from the classes! She was exhibited by her regular handler, Amy Rutherford, for owner Kathleen Eimil. Jody Paquette handled **Jaeva Dancing Lesson** to the **Reserve Winners Bitch** ribbon for owners Linda and Peter Dowdle. **Ch. Yarrow's Venerie Valor**, bred and owned by John and Pam Beale and Beth Sweigart and handled by Beth, was **Best of Opposite Sex**. His sire is Ch. Max-Well's Spring Into Action out of Ch. Yarrow's Lady in Red.

Hatboro and Devon were a prelude to the big day, Montgomery, where Mrs. Michele Billings of Fort Lauderdale, Florida judged the Norfolk regular classes. Her critique follows. Many of us sitting at ringside on Sunday, October 7 noticed the fighter planes flying in formation above our heads—a reminder of the September 11th tragedy. Word of America's bombing of Afghanistan also spread swiftly throughout the show grounds. Still, those planes above offered a comfort to those of us on the ground that our country is strong, is free, and is determined to keep us safe. We *are* "the land of the free and the home of the brave." God Bless America.

—Barbara Miller

NORWICH TERRIERS AT HATBORO, HATBORO AND DEVON

The back-to-back Hatboro shows were held Thursday, October 4 and Friday, October 5, 2001 at the Middletown Grange Fair Grounds in Wrightstown, PA. This year's clear skies and mild temperatures made the kick-off for our fancy's annual Montgomery weekend pilgrimage truly pleasant for both dog and man. Aside from the noteworthy weather was the record-breaking Norwich entry: 26 dogs and 36 bitches (total 62) on Thursday, 35 dogs and 50 bitches (total 85) on Friday, and more than 100 at Devon. This shows a real gain for our breed, reflecting their increased popularity since Ch. Chidley Willum the Conqueror's Best in Show win at Westminster in 1994 and Ch. Fairewood Frolic's reprise in 1998. AKC statistics show Norwich Terriers gradually leaving the ranks of the little known breeds: just 205 were registered in 1979; 467 in 2000 (ranking 102nd of 148 breeds). Latest registration figures show Norwich in 99th place with 522 registered in 2001.

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Mr. William Ferrara got the first look at this year's Norwich entry at 8:30 A. M. Thursday. Results were as follows:

- **Winners Dog & Best of Winners: Piccadilly's Hey Bob A Rebob** (Ch. Piccadilly Call Me Billy Bob x Piccadilly Gingersnap II). Breeder and Owner: George Besbekis.
- **Reserve Winners Dog: Dunbar's Frozen Assets** (Ch. Dunbar's Frequent Flyer x Ch. Dunbar's True Colors). Breeder and Owner: Joan Schurr Kefeli.

- **Winners Bitch: Winsome's Love That Red** (Ch. Bodkin Gunning For Bear x Ch. Winsome's Wings Of A Dove). Breeders: Anne & Elmer Buffington. Owners: Michele Luther & Patricia Van Skyhawk.
- **Reserve Winners Bitch: Dunbar's Iceing On The Cake** (Ch. Dunbar's Frequent Flyer x Ch. Dunbar's True Colors). Breeder: Joan Schurr Kefeli. Owners: John & Elise Francisco & Joan Schurr Kefeli.
- **Best of Breed: Ch. Sandina Sandman** (Ch. Teutonia's Viktor x Ch. Chidley Catherine The Great). Breeder and Owner: Sandina Kennels.
- **Best of Opposite Sex: Ch. Piccadilly's Proud Mary** (Ch. Piccadilly's Call Me Billy Bob x Piccadilly's Suzanne Que). Breeder and Owner: George Besbekis.

Mr. Ferrara, who has owned and bred Norwich, commented after the judging that "it was a very beautiful entry... all were superb." When asked what he looks for in his ideal type, he said he "doesn't like too big or too small, but rather a dog who's cobby and looks like he's got substance." He specifically noted that he does not like "dainty." He also cannot abide a bad rear, a common fault in the breed when he first started. He was glad to see that most of his entry did not have that fault, nor did most have a "wide front."

Mr. Ferrara stated that he relies on his first impression when dogs enter the ring. He looks for a "nice breadth of head, not too long in muzzle." He cautioned that he is finding a lot of dogs getting "a head like a German Shepherd" and that breeders must be careful not to lose the proper head type.

Hatboro 2

At Friday's Hatboro show, with continuing clement weather, Norwich judge Marjorie Macnally Hanson greeted exhibitors, who were in the ring again at 8:30 A. M. Results were as follows:

- **Winners Dog: Dunbar's Frozen Assets.** (See RWD at Hatboro 1).
- **Reserve Winners Dog: Noridge's Sable Oak** (Ch. Highwood's Parachute Adams x Ch. Wemakaro's Blueberry Pie). Breeder: Patricia Warrender. Owner: Elizabeth Money.
- **Winners Bitch and Best of Winners: Jaeva Ticked T' Bits** (Eng. Ch. Jaeva Stand And Deliver x Jaeva Ticked Pink). Breeder: Martin Phillips (England). Owner: Jan Celba.
- **Reserve Winners Bitch: Winsome's Lexus O Shonleh** (Ch. JiRo's Seabee x Ch. Curtiss Tinytowne Speakeasy). Breeders: Dana Esquibel & Sharon Curry & Anne Buffington. Owners: Suzanne Orban-Stagle & Sharon Curry & Anne Buffington.
- **Best of Breed: Ch. Sandina Sandman** (See BOB at Hatboro 1).
- **Best of Opposite Sex: Ch. Paddington Paget of Hothorpe** (Ch. Highwood's Grizzly Riffle x Paddington Duchess of Devon). Breeder and Owner: Reggie Higgins Hunt.

Marjorie Hanson has bred over 60 Bedlington Terrier champions in her career in dogs. In a follow-up conversation, she told me that she very much enjoyed judging Norwich at Hatboro 2 and thought the over-all quality of the entry was very good. She specifically mentioned her BOB dog, saying she just loved Ch. Sandina Sandman. In judging, she looks for over-all balance and movement and also a good head and expression. She mentioned that her winning entries "will have a certain style when entering the ring."

Devon

Torrents of rain and high winds buffeted early morning exhibitors at the Devon Dog Show Association's 90th all-breed show. Fortunately, clearing skies were on hand for Norwich exhibitors, who entered the ring at 11:15 A. M. By this third day of shows, Norwich entries had swelled to a

mind-boggling 123, so many that they had to be divided between two rings and an additional judge brought in to pinch-hit. Kenneth M. McDermott judged all classes except Puppy Bitches, which were judged by the Honorable David C. Merriam. Results were as follows:

- **Winners Dog: Bon-Mark's Moonlight Serenade** (Ch. Bon-Mark's Bit-O-Honey x Ch. Bon-Mark's Honeymoon Night). Breeder and Owner: Bonnie Mrozinski.
- **Reserve Winners Dog: Terrapin Tennis Anyone?** (Ch. Terrapin Timbuktu x Ch. Terrapin Topiary). Breeder and Owner: Margaretta Wood.
- **Winners Bitch and Best of Winners: Hunt's End Fox Chase** (Ch. Highwood's Parachute Adams x Top Drawer Folly of Highwood). Breeders: Knowlton Reynders & Lindsay Simon. Owner: Heidi Ann Luhman.
- **Reserve Winners Bitch: Barkwich Royal Heart** (Ch. Barkwich Royalheir of Huntwood x Ch. Chidley Conquer My Heart). Breeder and Owner: Jacqueline McMurray.
- **Best of Breed: Ch. Bon-Mark's Hot Nite At Barkwich** (Ch. Kristil's Royal Conqueror x Ch. Bon-Mark's Honeymoon Night). Breeder: Bonnie Mrozinski. Owners: Jacqueline McMurray & Bonnie Mrozinski.
- **Best of Opposite Sex: Ch. Winsome's Kiss Me Quick** (Ch. Love For Sale x Ch. Winsome's Wings Of A Dove). Breeders: Anne & Elmer Buffington. Owners: Suzanne Urban-Stagle & Anne Buffington.

Judge Kenneth McDermott was kind enough to write up his comments:

When Mrs. Robeson, Show Chairman for Devon, called to propose that my judging assignment include Norwich Terriers I was delighted, as it is a breed I have admired for many years. . . . When the Devon entries closed, I was curious what the totals were. Imagine my shock when I heard the Norwich numbers—123!!! I was sure there must be some mistake, but I was told the numbers were correct. I could hardly wait for the day to come to see what would face me.

What I saw in general were Norwich of correct size, with great temperaments and wonderful coats. In judging them, as with any other breed, I always keep foremost in my mind the breed's origins. "What was it meant to do?" has to be constantly asked as the dogs are being evaluated. Form and function must complement one another. So, with Norwich, I wanted a compact, sturdy terrier strong enough of foreface to "dispatch small vermin," carrying good bone, and with sufficient freedom of movement to be quick enough to catch the vermin. Good shoulders, following a moderate neck, and a strong, level topline with a short tail "bang up" on top would complete the picture. In my Winners and Reserves of both sexes, I found all these attributes in a grand package.

My Best of Breed line-up was a sight to please the heart of all true Terrierfolk. Game, sturdy, happy, tidy, sporty little tykes filled the ring and gave a picture of grandness that I will not soon forget. In sorting through this lovely entry, it was necessary for the sake of the class to make several cuts. Right from the start, I was politely excusing Norwich I would have been happy to have entered at ANY dog show throughout the country! The final exhibits, I hope, made a statement about what I believe your standard called for me to reward and I was extremely proud to do so. I DID notice that my WD, WB, RWB and BOB were all black and tans. Now that is NOT a prerequisite to win under me! It just happened that on the day that is where I found my highest quality.

I offer my sincerest thanks to those who entered under me and I compliment you on the forward strides made in your breed. There was no junk; there were no pets. There was an entry you should all have been proud of, and I bow in recognition of your progress in so many areas. No, the work is not over. There is still room for improvement in rears and there are mouths that need more strength. All in all, you have done a grand job. Thank you for the honor and pleasure I received at Devon 2001.

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The NNTC thanks all the judges, handlers, exhibitors and workers who turned out for these shows less than a month after the terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon. On a personal note, living on the cliffs of the New Jersey Palisades, right across from Manhattan, my husband and I witnessed the second jet's impact and the collapse of the two WTC buildings. I am still haunted by these images, but take solace in our fancy—in our wonderful two- and four-footed friends. The decision that the dog shows must go on was, for me at least, the right one. But never were the traditional show-opening anthems more heartfelt.

—Leandra (Lee) Little, Weehawken, NJ

MONTGOMERY 2001 NORFOLK TERRIER SWEEPSTAKES

Judge Joan Church's Critique

As I walked across the show grounds on that brisk, sunny October morning to pick up my judge's badge, it was hard to forget how much the world had changed. Even as the venue filled with throngs of spectators and exhibitors, Montgomery seemed somewhat quiet. The playing of the National Anthem signified more than just the start of the show. I looked into the faces of people around me and sensed mixed emotions. But then I remembered what I had come to do—judge Norfolk sweepstakes at our National Specialty.

Judging is subjective. As a Norfolk breeder and an exhibitor for 10 years, I know the type of dog I prefer. But as a judge one must be able to appreciate different types and measure each dog to the standard. I have decided to give an overview of my observations, rather than a dog-by-dog critique. I will, however, elaborate on the points of my ultimate winners.

Before I continue, I must address the issue of bites. In looking back at previous judge's comments, this seems to be an ongoing theme. The breed standard calls for a scissors bite. Almost one third of my entries had level or questionable bites. One can only wonder what will happen to these mouths as they mature. I fear that if breeders do not address this issue, more serious problems with dentition and alignment will occur.

A total of 10 males were entered in the dog classes, with 4 absentees. The dogs all had nice bone and substance with one exception. Most skulls had good breadth and proportionate length of muzzle. Ear placement was good overall, but some dogs had houndy ears. I noted correct shoulder placement and assembly, as well as good rear angulation, on most exhibits. Overall, the dogs appeared well-balanced and exhibited good movement from all angles.

The bitch classes totaled 18 with 3 absentees. I felt the bitch quality was not as high as the dogs. Most exhibits were long in cast and some were too fine-boned, even for a bitch. The heads overall were not as pleasing in comparison to the dogs. Ears tended to be too long and not set high enough on the skull. Some appeared feminine, while others were doggy. Movement was not as strong as that of the dogs.

One must remember that there is no such thing as the perfect dog. Some of my observations may be due to the exhibit's immaturity. One must try to find a well-balanced specimen with proper attitude and good movement. I feel expression is very important in our breed. Most exhibits had well-shaped dark eyes and well-balanced, pleasing heads.

Best in Sweepstakes: Nordach Tiga Gold (Eng. Ch. Jaeva Dutch Gold x Nordach I'm Zara Womble). This dog caught my eye as he entered the ring. He had a beautiful red coat, proper-sized ears placed correctly on a good breadth of skull. He exuded balance on side profile, compact with

good bone and substance, good lay back of shoulder, correct upper arm length, good rear angulation and a proper tailset. He was very energetic, moving well from all angles. Though not as large as some dogs, I could not deny this well-balanced package. This Swedish import, bred by Mrs. A. Rees, is owned by John and Pam Beale.

Best of Opposite Sex to Best in Sweepstakes: Ben Kelev's Tiger Lily (Ch. Max-Well's Wildcard x Ch. Ben Kelev's Chance of Rain). This bitch was in her underwear, but I'm a movement freak. Many exhibits make a beautiful picture, but once they move, it all falls apart. This bitch had great reach and drive, moving true in front with black pads kicking up as she moved away. She had proper ear size and placement, good substance and bone and proper tailset; very feminine with great attitude. She had good lay back of shoulder and a well-angulated rear. Side profile of her head showed correct length of muzzle with a well-domed skull. I would have liked a shorter back and more coat, but overall I felt she had more attributes than some of her competitors. Her breeder and owner is Carol Falk.

Best in Veteran Sweepstakes: Ch. Reidmar Sweet Georgia Brown ME (Ch. Jaeva Matti-Brown x Reidmar Dream Girl). This 12-year-old veteran was full of herself as she entered the ring. She was in good coat, had a pleasing head with good ear set and a nice short back. Moving fluidly around the ring, her attitude and demeanor defied her age. Best of all, she still had full dentition and a beautiful scissors bite. Georgia was bred by Nat LaMar and is proudly owned by Sue Ely.

I want to thank the NNTC for the opportunity to judge Norfolk sweepstakes. I am grateful also to all the exhibitors who brought their wonderful little red and black and tan terriers to my ring. It's an experience I will never forget. Our world may never be the same, but the devotion and love we get from our dogs can never be altered. God Bless America and Norfolk Terriers.

—Joan Church, Churchwood Norfolk, Pittstown, NJ



Photo: Ashbey Photography

Best in Sweeps: Nordach Tiga Gold, with judge
Joan Church and co-owner/handler John Beale

NORFOLK WINNERS AT THE 2001 NNTC MONTGOMERY SPECIALTY

Ed.: News readers will be sad to learn that, just a few months after judging Norfolk Terriers at the 2001 NNTC Montgomery Specialty, Mrs. Michele Billings had emergency by-pass surgery. In a fax of February 22, Mrs. Billings said she was "so very sorry" to be unable to send a full judge's critique, but kindly did write brief comments about her Norfolk winners. All Norfolk and Norwich fanciers send Mrs. Billings our best wishes for a full recovery and hope that she'll be back judging in the very near future.

—AGF

Mrs. Billings's Comments

I was extremely pleased with the quality of the Winners Dog, Winners Bitch, both the Reserve Winners Dog and Bitch, Best of Breed, Best of Opposite Sex, and the Award of Merit winners. Also, they were all the same type, including the lovely Best of Winners dog, whom, I understand, is a German import.

- **Winners Dog/Best of Winners: Allright American Dream** (Allright Teddy Trouble x Allright Magic Hazel). Breeder: Dr. Frauke Hinsch (Germany). Owners: Dexter & Melanie Wallwork.
- **Reserve Winners Dog: Nordach Tiga Gold** (Eng. Ch. Jaeva Dutch Gold x Nordach I'm Zara Womble). Breeder: Mrs. A. Rees (Sweden). Owners: John & Pam Beale.
- **Winners Bitch: Yarrow's Bella Luna of Terrean** (Ch. Wonderwood Winning Hand x Yarrow's Melberry). Breeders/Owners: Anne White Spinner & Renee Curtin.
- **Reserve Winners Bitch: Woodlands Pea In A Pod** (Woodlands Bear Essentials x Bancrofts Hunstanton Light). Breeder/Owner: Carl Schrader.
- **Best of Breed: Ch. Max-Well's Cyclone** (Ch. Max-Well's Weatherman x Ch. Max-Well's My Thyme). Breeder/Owner: Barbara Miller. Cyclone also won a **Group 4**.
- **Best of Opposite Sex: Ch. Yarrow's Venerie Vamp** (Ch. Max-Well's Spring Into Action x Ch. Yarrow's Lady In Red). Breeders/Owners: John & Pam Beale & Beth Sweigart.
- **Awards of Merit**
 1. **Ch. Max-Well's Walk On By** (Eng./Am./Can. Ch. Nanfan Culver x Ch. Max-Well's Whizard of Oz). Breeder: Barbara Miller. Owners: Jim & Marge McTernan & Barbara Miller. Bitch.
 2. **Ch. Max-Well's Tabasco** (Ch. Max-Well's Weatherman x Ch. Max-Well's My Thyme). Breeder: Barbara Miller. Owners: Mitt Seiler & Ken Sumner & Barbara Miller. Dog.
 3. **Ch. Max-Well's Rainman** (Ch. Max-Well's Sporting Chance x Ch. Max-Well's Summer Storm). Breeders: Barbara Miller & Susan Kipp. Owners: Paul Schulz & Barbara Miller & Susan Kipp. Dog.
 4. **Wintersky Talk Of The Town** (Ch. Mayfair's Rock 'N' Roll x Ch. Copperplate Wintersky Cricket). Breeders: Freddie Jackson, Michael LaBrie & Larry Rockwell. Owner: Kathleen Eimil. Bitch.

MONTGOMERY 2001 NORWICH TERRIER SWEEPSTAKES

Judge Helene Gisin's Critique

It was a very big honour for me to judge the Norwich Sweepstakes at Montgomery, and I thank everybody who showed their dogs under me. It was not easy for me to accept this judge's appointment, as I had never judged in a ring before. I "judged" Norwich Terriers many times over the last twelve years at shows all over the world; but this was only at ringside and, believe me, there is a big difference! Everybody should judge in the ring at least once; it is a great experience.

I was overwhelmed to have an entry of 53 Norwich, with 10 absent. All in all, the quality of the dogs was excellent and it was a pleasure to go over them. I penalized heavy breathing when I heard it and was also very hard with teeth (missing teeth and bad bites). I expected more bad mouths than I saw, so that was a positive surprise. For me, almost all the dogs/bitches were too short in coat. The standard says that Norwich "should be shown with as natural a coat as possible. A minimum of tidying is permissible." Despite too-short coats, almost all the Norwich were in great condition and presentation was also very good.

My winners were:

DOGS

- **Puppy, 6-9 months:** Suzanne Orban-Stagle's **Just Us Urchin's First Call**. Nice little dog; good head, eyes and teeth; great mover. I wished he had a little more bone.
- **Puppy, 9-12 months:** Bonnie Mrozinski's **Bon Mark's Moonlight Serenade**. A very nice compact dog with a super coat and dark, oval-shaped eyes with black eyerims. **Best of Opposite Sex.**
- **Junior Dogs, 12-18 months:** Joan Schurr Kefeli's **Dunbar's Frozen Assets**, a short red dog with a good mouth. He expressed a bright and happy personality.

BITCHES

- **Puppy, 6-9 months:** Lotus Tutton's **Fairewood Forbidden Fruit**. A nice, little red bitch with a good front, level topline, and nice neck. She was a good mover.
- **Puppy, 9-12 months:** Bonnie Mrozinski & Kathleen Lowry's **Bon-Mark's Moonstruck**. A nice little bitch with a broad head and good movement.
- **Junior Bitches, 12-18 months:** Paul and Nancy Eddy & Lori Pelletier's **Hunts End Foxtrot At Millbrook**. A very nice, smooth red bitch with low set hocks, great front, well-sprung ribs and good movement. One I would like to own. **Best in Sweepstakes.**

—Helene Gisin, Seprais, Switzerland



Photo: Ashbey Photography

Best in Sweeps: Hunts End Foxtrot At Millbrook, with (l. to r.) co-breeder Nonie Reynders, judge Helene Gisin, co-owner/handler Lori Pelletier, and co-breeder Lindsay Simon

NORWICH AT MONTGOMERY 2001

Judge Jack Simm's Critique

I wish to thank the Norwich and Norfolk Terrier Club for the privilege of judging Norwich Terriers at the 2001 Montgomery County National Specialty. It was indeed an honor, especially when I was informed of the overwhelmingly large entry of 165 Norwich. When I think back to when I first began with the breed, both drop and prick ears were shown in the same ring and never did an entry number more than low double digits. The ring stewards, Madison Weeks and Cindy Vogels, were an asset to me throughout the day.

My **Winners Dog, Ariel's Paladino Del Rojo** (Ch. Ariel Rojo Del Sol x Miller's Gold Digger At Ariel), bred by Fraya Katz and owned by Dr. Elizabeth McRae, came from the 9-12 months puppy class. That is quite an achievement, being as the entry was large in all classes with many dogs to select from. He won on type and freedom of movement. Margaretta Wood's black and tan, **Terrapin Tennis Anyone?** (Ch. Terrapin Timbuktu x Ch. Terrapin Topiary), winner of his Bred by Exhibitor class, was my **Reserve Winners Dog**. He is an excellent coated young dog and gave the **Winners Dog** a strong push.

The black and tan English import, **Jaeva Tickled T' Bits** (Eng. Ch. Jaeva Stand And Deliver x Jaeva Tickled Pink), bred by Martin Phillips and owned by Jan Celba, was my choice for **Winners Bitch** and **Best of Winners**. She caught my eye as she moved freely around the ring. For a young bitch, she has an excellent coat and good strong bone and is striking in appearance. She fit in perfectly with my final selections. **Reserve Winners Bitch** went to **Winsome's Lexus O Shonleh** (Ch. Ji-Ro's Seabee x Ch. Curtiss Tinytowne Speakeasy), bred by Dana Esquibel, Sharon Curry and Anne Buffington, and owned by Suzanne Orban-Stagle, Anne Buffington and Sharon Curry. Both bitches were sound and representative of the breed.

The nine-year-old Veteran, **Ch. Highwood's Ratfaced MacDougal** (Ch. Chidley Willum the Conqueror x Ch. Highwood's Jordan Baker), bred by Nonie Reynders and owned by Barbara Pessina and Nonie Reynders, still looked the part as he won his class.

As the Best of Breed class came into the ring, I checked them all in and then allowed them to circle the ring to the applause of the spectators. I then had to split the class into dogs and bitches due to the number of entries. Once divided, I further had to divide dogs and bitches once again. I examined the dogs first, eliminating those I wasn't going to be able to use. I did the same for the bitches, keeping those most worthy for final consideration. **Ch. Sandina Sandman** (Ch. Teutonia's Viktor x Ch. Chidley Catherine the Great), bred and owned by Sandina Kennels (Glorvina and Alexander Schwartz), was my choice for the **Best of Breed** ribbon. He is a lovely red dog with excellent neck and shoulder placement, which allows for reach in front movement. His turn of stifle gives him the rear angulation needed for drive from behind. The **Best of Opposite Sex** ribbon was awarded to **Ch. Piccadilly's Proud Mary** (Ch. Piccadilly's Call Me Billy Bob x Piccadilly's Suzanne Que), bred and owned by George Besbekis. She was in beautiful coat and condition. As she circled the ring, she was as proud as she is named.

I've been actively involved with Norwich Terriers since 1970. I must say the improvement in this great little breed is a true credit to all the breeders. On the whole, the breed has made great strides. Today there is much more consistency in type, in coat, in bone structure and certainly in presentation. I still would like to see Norwich breeders put a bit more neck on their dogs. Rear angulation is needed as well. The entry being as large as it was though, I felt that most exhibits belonged in the Specialty ring. They were a true credit to the breed. The exhibitors were as wonderful as their exhibits. Again, Thank You for this great honor.

—Jack Simm, Millersville, PA

Norfolk Winners



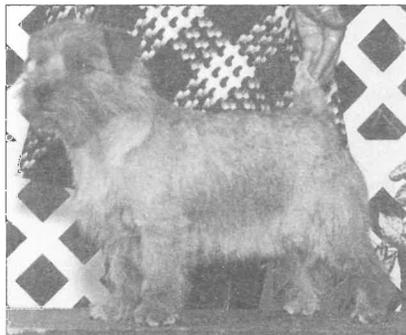
Best of Breed and Group 4: Ch. Max-Well's Cyclone,
with judge Mrs. Michele Billings and handler Susan Kipp



Best of Winners/Winners Dog: Allright American Dream



Winners Bitch:
Yarrow's Bella Luna of Terrean



Best of Opposite Sex:
Ch. Yarrow's Venerie Vamp

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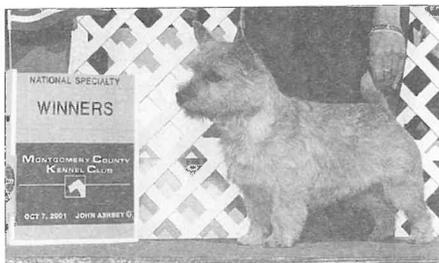
Norwich Winners



Best of Breed: Ch. Sandina Sandman



Best of Winners/Winners Bitch: Jaeva Tickled T' Bits,
with judge Jack Simm and handler Susan Kipp



Winners Dog: Ariel's Paladino Del Rojo



**Best of Opposite Sex:
Ch. Piccadilly's Proud Mary**

All photos by Ashbey Photography

THE AKC/EUKANUBA AMERICAN DOG CLASSIC

Orlando, Florida—December 12, 2001

The announcement for the first-ever AKC/Eukanuba American Dog Classic was made well over a year ago to the sneers, jeers or cheers of the fancy. The sneers, jeers or cheers had to do with the amount of prize money offered by Eukanuba, the dog-food company sponsoring the show: \$50,000 for Best in Show, \$25,000 for the breeder of the BIS. Group 1 winners and breeders each won \$1,500; Group 2, \$1,250; Group 3, \$1,000; Group 4, \$750. All Best of Breed and Best Bred-by-Exhibitor winners received \$250; Best of Opposite Sex, \$150. This was an invitation-only show, with the top 20 dogs in every AKC breed invited. Each dog exhibited received a Commemorative Medallion.

I arrived in Orlando on Tuesday, December 11, where I met NNTC member Louise Leone from Denver and Norwich owner Jan Celba from Milwaukee. That evening, 800 people strong, including Louise, Jan, Susan Kipp, Joan Kefeli and me, attended the AKC Canine Health Foundation dinner at the Radisson Hotel. There were lots of glitches, but I'm sure the committee will make it a smoother go next year. Table arrangements were lovely as was the buffet table laden with all sorts of food. There were also terrific auction items, but the evening wore on with too many speeches and delays. Those attending the Classic show should support this dinner, a benefit for the CHF.

December 12 was the big day. Norfolks and Norwich had early morning classes with Cairn breeder, Lydia Coleman Hutchinson, as judge. This was no ordinary dog show. All entries of each breed competed in the same class from which the judge was to select a BOB winner, a BOS winner, a Best Bred-by-Exhibitor winner and an Award of Excellence Winner.

Eight **Norfolks** were entered with three absent. **Ch. Yarrow's Venerie Vamp** was Mrs. Hutchinson's choice for both **BOS** and **Best Bred-by-Exhibitor**. This little bitch has won her share of BOS ribbons: Montgomery 2000 and 2001 and Westminster 2001. She's a lovely showgirl, giving her all for breeder/owner/handler Beth Sweigart. Vamp is co-bred and co-owned by Pam and John Beale. Littermate **Ch. Yarrow's Venerie Valor**, also co-bred and co-owned by Beth Sweigart and the Beales and handled by Enesto Laro, was **Best of Breed**. The **Award of Excellence** went to **Ch. Aberschan Gilbert And**, owned by Albert Labouchere and James Covey.

Twelve **Norwich** were entered, with four absent. Carolyn and Joe Wilson's **Ch. Sho-Me Ketka's Sir Jekyll**, bred by Fran Westfall and Carol Sowders and handled by R. C. Carusi, was **BOS**. The **BOB** ribbon went to **Ch. Paradiso WildWest Circle the Wagons**, a bitch bred by Peggy Schmidt and Holly Davis and co-owned by Peggy Schmidt and Betty Bossio. Peggy Schmidt handled her in the class, Betty Bossio in the Group. **Best Bred-by-Exhibitor** went to Betty Bossio's **Ch. WildWest Lone Ranger**. Larry Cornelius handled the **Award of Excellence** winner, **Ch. Dunbar's Dauntless Debutante**, bred by Joan Kefeli and owned by Karen and Bruce Sullivan.

Throughout the day, the rings weren't as crowded with spectators as they are at Westminster. I felt the show may not have been as successful as it should be due to a lack of interest from the community. I was wrong! Spectators instead crowded the "Meet the Breeds" booths located in a separate building. The NNTC booth, coordinated by Norwich member/breeder Carolyn Wilson with lots of help from fellow member Heidi Evans and her Norfolk, looked wonderful with our double breed afghan as a backdrop. Handouts with information about our breeds and our breed club, as well as sample copies of *The Norwich & Norfolk News* and *Norwich Terriers USA 1936-1966*, were also available to interested spectators. Each booth had a TV screen where the NNTC booth showed the Norwich and Norfolk grooming videos from England. English breeders started the "Meet the Breeds" concept, known in the U.K. as "Discover Dogs," many years ago, usually at Crufts. I'm glad U. S. breeders are doing the same because it's a great way to put our breeds' best paws forward

and have the public see the fancy in a good light. Congratulations to the NNTC booth for winning second place in the best-decorated booth competition!

We had to be in the TD Waterhouse Centre arena by 7 P. M. for the Groups, so an early dinner was required. The evening event was filmed by Animal Planet to be aired on its TV network at 8 P. M., February 2. The evening began with Junior Showmanship finals, followed by welcoming speeches, first by the Honorable David C. Merriam, chairman of the AKC Board, and then by the mayor of Orlando. A highlight of the evening was the honoring of the Search and Rescue dogs/units from Ground Zero. Many of us had tears running down our cheeks. The Airedale, handled by R. C. Carusi, won the Terrier Group. The 2001 Westminster Best in Show winner, the beautiful Bichon Frise, Ch. Special Times Just Right, went Best in Show under judge Dorothy Nickles.

The 2002 AKC/Eukanuba show will be held at the same venue on December 11. See you there.

—Barbara Miller

UPCOMING NNTC SUPPORTED ENTRIES FOR 2002

The NNTC will support the entry of Norwich and Norfolk Terriers at the following shows, all in the "merry month of May." These shows are in prime Norwich and Norfolk country, so let's have a big turnout in both breeds!

Garden State All Terrier Club (New Jersey)

Date: Friday, May 3

Location: Mercer County Park, West Windsor Twp., NJ

Breed Judge: Mr. Joseph Mecera

Group Judge: Mr. Bertram M. Tormey

Mensona Kennel Club (California)

Date: Sunday, May 5

Location: Sonoma County Fairgrounds, Santa Rosa, CA

Breed Judge: Mrs. Peggy Haas

Terrier Group Judge: Mr. James G. Reynolds

Mattaponi Kennel Club (Virginia)

Date: Saturday, May 18

Location: Prince William County Fairgrounds, Manassas, VA

Breed & Terrier Group Judge: Mrs. Lydia C. Hutchinson

LOOKING AHEAD: THE 2002 NNTC MONTGOMERY SPECIALTY

Location: Montgomery County Kennel Club show grounds, Ambler, PA

Date: Sunday, October 6, 2002

Breed Judges: Norfolk—Mr. Kenneth M. McDermott
Norwich—Mr. Jerry Roszman

Sweeps Judges: Norfolk—Kathleen Eimil ("Mayfair" Norfolk)
Norwich—Betty Bossio ("WildWest" Norwich)

NNTC Specialty Headquarters: Due to a multi-alarm fire that destroyed the Bensalem, PA Comfort Inn on January 31, the NNTC will have to relocate its 2002 MCKC Specialty headquarters! Future NNTC members' mailings will include details about the new venue and also about the NNTC dinner and annual awards evening on Saturday, October 5. Stay tuned!

THE 2002 NNTC MONTGOMERY SPECIALTY: PROFILES OF OUR BREED JUDGES

Kenneth M. McDermott (Norfolk)

The year 2002 marks 45 years of my involvement in the sport of purebred dogs. These years have covered my being an assistant handler to the late Terrierman, Seth H. Campbell; a breeder-owner-handler of Wire Fox Terriers, Skye Terriers and Brussels Griffons; a licensed professional handler who showed dogs of 47 different breeds; and, since 1978, a licensed AKC judge. Currently that license is for the Terrier and Toy Groups, Poodles, and Best in Show. I am also Provisionally approved for Dachshunds, Salukis, Scottish Deerhounds, Whippets, Boston Terriers, Dalmatians, French Bulldogs, Lhasa Apos, Australian Shepherds, Collies and both Corgis.

A marriage of 37 years to Joan Elizabeth Redden was blessed with a son, Curtis, who is now the father of the pride of the family, a granddaughter, Lacey Rose.

Outside of show dogs, I have a very long and deep interest in birding (or bird watching, if you please), plus fishing and general interests in nature and the outdoors. Many Sundays find Joan and me busy with activities at St. Patrick's Church in Newburgh, NY, where we are both commissioned Eucharistic Ministers and Lectors. Limiting my judging assignments strictly to thirty each year allows for balance in these many areas of involvement.

My retirement from IBM after 30 years in the computer industry has offered great flexibility and allowed for judging assignments in 41 states, 5 Canadian provinces, Mexico, England, Ireland and Wales. Other assignments have been proffered in Australia, New Zealand, South Africa, Taiwan and four South American countries, but these were declined due to the long travel necessary and some bothersome arthritic conditions.

Highlights of my judging career are many; but for a Terrierman, the 15 assignments at Montgomery County, including the 1987 Best in Show, plus the 9 Westminster assignments, including the Terrier Group in 1986 and 1996, are the most cherished. There can be no higher honor bestowed upon a judge than to be invited to judge a National Specialty. In this regard I have been both humbled and highly honored to have judged the National Specialties for 19 Terrier and 7 Toy breeds. I happily look forward to the future where I am to judge several more, not the least of which will be Norfolk Terriers at this year's Montgomery County.

—Kenneth M. McDermott, Newburgh, NY

Jerry Roszman (Norwich)

I was involved with breeding and showing animals all my early life. I was raised on a dairy farm in Ohio. Our dogs were German Shepherds and Collies—working stock dogs. I purchased my first terrier, a Westie pet bitch, in 1968. I did the Match scene and became “hooked” on the conformation challenge and grooming. My first litter arrived in 1971. I then became serious about showing what would become my first homebred champion from the Bred-by-Exhibitor class. So much fun, so many nice people, and I was so proud and pleased with my little dog.

In 1977, I bought my first Norwich, White Oaks Pretty Petula, from the Meisels, who were living in Nebraska at the time. She finished at Devon in 1978. She never met a stranger and was a great ambassador for the breed. She went everywhere with us and would go to anyone who would pick her up. Very fickle—but loving. She produced four champions, all C-section deliveries, which finished breeding for me—she was a house pet. Petula was the dam of Ch. Seaforth Tuffy Travis, purchased by NNTC members/Norwich breeders (Temblor) David Powers and Ed Flesh, and campaigned by them all over the country. Travis became a Best In Show and multiple Group Winner. He was Best of Breed at Montgomery in 1983 and 1984 and won the NNTC National Specialty three times. Travis also won a Group 4 at Westminster in 1983. Owner David Powers, who handled Travis to all these prestigious wins, felt that Travis may have been the first Norwich ever to place in the Westminster Group. I obtained my other Norwich from Missy Wood and Sandra Stemmler. They were shown, finished, and lived as house pets thereafter. Under the Seaforth prefix, I have bred, owned and/or finished some 30 or more Scottish Terriers, 8 Norwich, a lovely Welsh and a couple of Smooth Fox Terriers over the years.

I was approved to judge Scottish, Norwich, and Norfolk Terriers in January 1984. I retired from breeding and showing then because I considered it a conflict of interest with judging (my personal opinion). I now judge all terriers, the Terrier Group and 12 Non-Sporting breeds. I have had the pleasure of judging multiple shows, Groups and Specialties around the country. I judged the NNTC Match one year (don't recall when) and also the NNTC Floating Specialty in June 1991, held in conjunction with the Great Western Terrier Association's 25th Anniversary Show in Pasadena. That was a singular, challenging and rewarding experience! So many grand dogs!!

It is an honor and a privilege to be asked to judge any National Specialty, doubly so when it is for your own breed club. I am looking forward to the 2002 NNTC Montgomery Specialty with great anticipation. I hope to see a great many of you there. My sincere best wishes for every success. Good grooming!

—Jerry Roszman, San Diego, CA

THE 2002 NNTC MONTGOMERY SPECIALTY: PROFILES OF OUR SWEEPS JUDGES

Kathleen Eimil (Norfolk)

When I was growing up, our family did not have dogs. I always loved animals, so after I married, my husband and I decided to add a dog to our household. In 1982, we attended the Golden Gate KC show, one of the few benched dog shows in the country. Almost every breed was represented there, but the only Norfolk Terrier entered, Ch. Wonderwood Wensday Addams, was the one that stole our hearts. What a charmer she was—a happy disposition and an adorable face with an expression of pure mischief lurking in those eyes. We spoke to her breeder, Jessica Relinque, who promised to contact us when a puppy was available. Several months later, Jessica phoned to say she had a 5-month-old Norfolk male and that she would like to have him shown. I agreed to show him, although I really didn't know much about dog shows.

"Ziggy" entered our lives and gave us incredible happiness and love. I started attending dog shows with him and quickly became hooked. After several years, I decided to add a Norfolk bitch to our family. We were fortunate to acquire "Meg," a 9-week-old puppy, again from Jessica Relinque. "Meg," later Ch. Wonderwood Megabyte, became one of the all-time great Norfolk Terrier broodbitches in America. Bred to Ch. Greenfield's The Hustler in 1991, she whelped three puppies. Two became NNTC National Specialty winners and the third earned his championship with ease. Repeat Meg-Hustler breedings also produced offspring who placed at National Specialties. I was very fortunate to get such a good start with Meg. She carried on my "Mayfair" prefix and gave me many Norfolk champions.

To learn more about dogs over the years, I have attended dog shows, lectures on canine anatomy, and asked questions of more experienced breeders. I have studied movement, genetics, health issues and almost everything related to dogs, keeping the Norfolk breed standard as my guide. I have been active with our local club, the Middle Kingdom Alliance, now known as PANNT (Pacific Area Norfolk and Norwich Terriers), serving as a board member and as president. I have also served two terms on the NNTC Board as a Governor, four years as NNTC Show Chair, and as chairman of both the NNTC Education and Nominating Committees. I have also contributed several health articles for the Norwich & Norfolk News. Several years ago, I judged Norwich and Norfolk Terrier Sweepstakes at the NNTCGC Specialty. I am looking forward to judging Norfolk Sweeps at the 2002 NNTC Montgomery Specialty.

—Kathleen Eimil, "Mayfair" Norfolk Terriers, San Francisco, CA

*Ed.: Kathleen Eimil was the year 2000 recipient of the **Nancy Joy Patchan Memorial Norfolk Terrier Sportsmanship Award**, approved by the NNTC Board in April, 1997. Established by the Patchan family in honor of the late NNTC member and Norfolk breeder (Ruddle Ridge), Nancy Joy Patchan, this annual Club award goes to a NNTC Norfolk member who "consistently conducts him/herself in a sportsmanlike manner whether in or out of competition" and who "demonstrates a serious commitment to maintaining and improving the quality and integrity of the Norfolk breed." Congratulations to Kathleen!*

—AGF

Betty Bossio (Norwich)

My involvement with dogs and dog shows began in 1969 with the purchase of a pet store Schipperke named "Nipper." With Nipper came a trip to a dog show just to watch, then showing in a match. I was hooked. Conformation, Obedience and Junior Handling all had a part in turning my focus from showing horses to showing dogs. For the past three years, I have been able to live my dream of being a full-time professional dog handler.

When my Schipperke inevitably was not show quality, I acquired a Miniature Schnauzer. Around that same time, I started working for professional handlers Ray and Virginia Splawn ("Wyrequest" Fox Terriers in Spokane, WA). So the die was cast for terriers—and endless stripping! I have owned many breeds through the years, including a Labrador Retriever, Bearded Collie, Poodle, etc. I found my current breed, Norwich Terriers, while at a dog show in 1988. I waited almost two years for a Norwich puppy and eventually had a litter, thus joining the ranks as a breeder ("WildWest") as well as an exhibitor. I haven't bred often, but have been fortunate to have shown and/or produced dogs in the Top Ten rankings for most of the years I've had Norwich. I started with good dogs from wonderful breeders and hope to continue to produce Norwich that live up to their heritage. I am also a breeder/owner and handler of another great breed—the Bouvier des Flandres. Talk about stripping . . . !

I have tried to give a little back to the Norwich breed by being involved with the Heart of Texas NNTC as a founding member, past Vice-President, and a two-time (and current) HOTNNTC President. At present, I am also a member of the national NNTC Board of Governors. I am looking

forward to judging Norwich Sweepstakes at prestigious Montgomery County in 2002. Thank you all for the honor.

—Betty Bossio, Wimberley, TX

Ed.: Ch. WildWest Lone Ranger ("Ranger"), co-bred by Betty Bossio and Kitty Henderson and owned by Betty, was Best of Breed at the May, 2000 NNTC St. Louis Specialty and won an Award of Merit at the 2000 NNTC Montgomery Specialty. He also won Best Bred-by-Exhibitor and an Award of Excellence at the 2001 AKC/Eukanuba Classic. Ranger's daughter, Ch. Paradiso WildWest Circle the Wagons ("Savannah"), bred by Peggy Schmidt and Holly Davis and co-owned by Betty Bossio and Peggy Schmidt, was Best of Breed at the Classic.

—AGF

NORFOLK TERRIERS AT WESTMINSTER 2002

Breeding dogs is serious stuff. I always marvel at the applause given the owners of breed contenders, but what about the dogs' breeders? Without conscientious breeders, there would be no contenders of merit. The best of the best of the dog show world head to the "Big Apple" every February to strut their stuff in front of fellow breeders, owners, spectators and judges. Westminster is where it is at for those of us proud of our Norfolk and Norwich's accomplishments. As happens prior to Montgomery, I receive phone calls asking about the weather—what to bring and what to wear. This year the heavens were great to us as the weather in New York City was rather mild. Some of those in attendance were anxious to visit Ground Zero. As a New Yorker and viewing scenes of the site nightly on television, I have not been able to do so myself. I find it tragic to view the skyline and not see the World Trade Center towers. We took these buildings for granted, as we do so many things in our lives. I presume none of us will take anything for granted anymore.

For some, Westminster festivities begin days before the actual show. Cavalier exhibitor Janet York hosts the lead-off party. Nonie Reynders, recently elected to the position of President of the AKC Museum of the Dog and husband Rink, who himself is the new treasurer of Westminster KC, were in attendance. Of course we're proud Nonie and Rink are also NNTC members. Fellow NNTC member Louise Leone likewise attended, as did Norwich owner Jan Celba, who enjoyed meeting fellow fanciers of all breeds. The benefit for the AKC Museum of the Dog began with a private cocktail party hosted by gracious New Yorkers, the Sosnoffs, and moved on to the hit musical, "Mamma Mia." Throughout the performance, the place was jumping. Buses then took us all to the well-known restaurant, 21, for a late supper. If you are planning to attend Westminster next year, try to get tickets for this benefit; it is well worth every dollar. Saturday evening there were a host of other parties honoring top dogs, benefiting the AKC Canine Health Foundation (such as the one at author Amy Tan's Soho loft), and on and on. Sunday there was a wonderful brunch hosted by the Truesdales at the Essex House, followed by an open house at the AKC. If you haven't ever visited these AKC offices, certainly do so. The canine artwork there rivals some of NYC's top dog art galleries. By Sunday evening, most of us are exhausted. But if you are lucky enough to get an invite to the Iris Love/Liz Smith party at the famed Tavern on the Green, do attend.

Monday morning it's get up early, down a cup of coffee, and head to Madison Square Garden for the first day of the main event. The Norfolk judge was Peggy Beisel-McIlwaine. In her day as a handler, she exhibited many fine Cairn Terriers along with other breeds. Twelve Norfolk Terriers were entered, but one dog was entered twice under two different handlers. Therefore the entry was actually eleven, with two absent. The ring stewards were NNTC members Henrietta and Robert Lachman. **Ch. Max-Well's Walk On By** (Wicket), now eight-and-a-half years old, took home the **Best of Opposite Sex** ribbon. As he had during her reign as a top-winning Norfolk, Larry Cornelius showed her. Wicket was bred and is co-owned by Barbara Miller. Her adoring owners are Jim and Marge McTernan. Whenever she comes out of retirement, Wicket does well as she also earned an Award of Merit at our National Specialty this past fall. Her sire is the import Eng./Am./Can. Ch. Nanfan Culver, bred by Joy Taylor

and owned by the McTernans. Her dam is Ch. Max-Well's Whizard of Oz, bred and owned by Barbara Miller. The **Best of Breed** ribbon was awarded to **Ch. Max-Well's Cyclone**, bred and owned by Barbara Miller. Cyclone's dam is Ch. Max-Well's My Thyme. He is sired by Ch. Max-Well's Weatherman, himself a two-time breed winner at Westminster who placed in the Westminster Terrier Group two years in a row. Cyclone placed second in the group to the Kerry Blue at Westminster 2001, but this year it wasn't his turn. Anyone will tell you that winning the breed at Westminster is a thrill. Anything thereafter is icing on the cake. Roxy Stamm, looking great as ever, piloted **Ch. Yarrow's Veneric Vamp** to an **Award of Merit**. At the 2001 NNTC Montgomery Specialty, Vamp won Best of Opposite Sex. She was bred and is owned by Beth Sweigart and John and Pam Beale. Her sire is Ch. Max-Well's Spring Into Action out of Ch. Yarrow's Lady in Red. Vamp's brother and littermate, **Ch. Yarrow's Veneric Valor**, also earned an **Award of Merit**.

There is something about the crowds, the vendors, the spectators, the evening groups, the Best in Show finale that draws us to this magnificent event. Some say the Garden isn't big enough. I say it is just right. After all, some of the major U. S. sporting events take place in this venue. The top dog show in our country, if not the world, belongs here too. After all, folks, this is New York, New York—and there's no doubt about it . . . It's a Hell of a Town!

—Barbara Miller



Photo: Deane Billings

"Bogey" Billings watching Ch. Max-Well's Cyclone in the Westminster Terrier Group (2001)

WESTMINSTER 2002: NORWICH RESULTS

The Westminster Kennel Club's 126th benched show commenced as usual at 8:30 A. M., but many attendees were delayed at the entrances due to rigid security precautions—a continuing sign of our times. Recent events didn't seem to affect exhibitors' enthusiasm, however. As usual, entries for Westminster opened and closed almost instantaneously, with the limit reached in less than an hour. This makes using a dog-show entry service an almost *de facto* requirement. Figures showed just a slight dip in over-all entries, with the year 2002 garnering 2,568 dogs in the 159 recognized breeds compared to 2,590 in 2001. Eighteen Norwich were entered this year compared to 14 in 2001—but fully half of last year's field were back again this year.

There were 3 absentees, including last year's breed winner, Ch. Sandina Sandman. **Top honors** went to **Ch. Sho-Me Ketka's Sir Jekyll** (Ch. Dunbar Sho-Me The Best of Times x Ch. Sho-Me Ketka's Ragamuffin), bred by Fran Westfall and Carol Sowders, handled by R. C. Carusi, and owned by NNTC newcomer Carol Wilson of Jekyll Island, Georgia. "Joe" is Carol's second Norwich. He has been a contender from the outset, going Best of Winners from the 9-12 month class at the May, 2000 NNTC supported entry at the St. Louis Dog Breeders Association show. The next day at the NNTC St. Louis Specialty, he was BOS in Sweeps. More recently, Joe was BOS at the AKC/Eukanuba American Dog Classic.

Best of Opposite Sex at Westminster 2002 went to **Ch. Sandina Sweet Potato** (Ch. Fairewood Fireworks of Sandina x Ch. Chidley Catherine the Great), bred and owned by Sandina Kennels and handled by Peter Green. Sweet Potato was BOB at the 2001 NNTCGC Specialty.

The size of the Norwich Westminster entry determined that judge Peggy Beisel-McIlwaine would give two **Awards of Merit**. One went to **Ch. Rubicon's Charming Lucy** (Ch. Fairway's Spyglass Charlie x Ch. Rubicon's Southern Charm), bred by Pamela Rubinstein and Sandra Campbell, handled by C. J. Favre, and owned by Tamsin Stearns-Sandin. Also earning an AOM was **Ch. Huntwood's Avenger O'Just Us** (Ch. Highwood's Ratfaced MacDougal x Kristil's Kick A Little), bred by Susan Kipp, handled by Greg Strong, and owned by Suzanne Orban-Stagle and Ronald Readmond.

NNTC member/Norwich breeder Joan Kefeli commented after the show that the entry this year was "fantastic, the best representation of our breed in years." Still, it should be added that this lovely representation did not include a single Norwich Terrier from the west coast. Ch. Fairway's Spyglass Charlie was the only Norwich entered from California, but he was absent. One dog, Ch. Ariel's Paladino del Rojo, traveled from Texas. The state-by-state breakdown for the remainder was: New York (3), New Jersey (3), Georgia (3), West Virginia (2) and one each from Massachusetts, Florida, Mississippi, Illinois and Maryland. Another trend this year was that there were very few breeder-owner-handlers in the ring.

Still, echoing Joan's observation, the 15 Norwich were a sight to behold. Congratulations to each owner, breeder and handler; bouquets to the judge and also to NNTC member Nonie Reynders, who served as ring steward.

—Leandra (Lee) Little, Weehawken, NJ



Photo submitted by Carol Wilson

"Joe" strides by a CROWD of admirers en route to his Best of Breed

**CH. WINTERSKY
TALK OF THE TOWN**

(Ch. Mayfair Rock 'N' Roll x
Ch. Copperplate Wintersky Cricket)
Breeders: Freddie Jackson,
Larry Rockwell & Michael Labrie
Owner: Kathleen Eimil

"Gabby" finished quickly and in great style. Her record: At 10 months, a Group 1 at the Reno KC. Over the 2001 NNTC Montgomery Specialty weekend: Winners Bitch, Hatboro 1; Winners Bitch/BOS, Hatboro 2; Best of Breed (from the classes), Devon; Award of Merit, Montgomery. "Gabby" is the daughter of NNTC National Specialty-winning parents and the pride of her breeders and owner.



**CH. MAYFAIR
WINTER KNIGHT**

(Ch. The Duke of Copperplate x
Ch. Mayfair Winter Rose)
Breeder: Kathleen Eimil
Owners: Mathew Wolfe &
Kathleen Eimil

"Ren" finished with ease, earning a Best of Breed to complete his championship. He lives happily in Marin County with owners Andrew and Sandy Wolfe, their son Mathew, and "Mitsu," Ren's playmate and fellow Norfolk Terrier.

**CH. FLURRIES
CHATHAM LIGHT**

(Ch. Avalon's First Step x
Flurries Matinicus Light)
Breeder/Owner: Peggy Metcalf

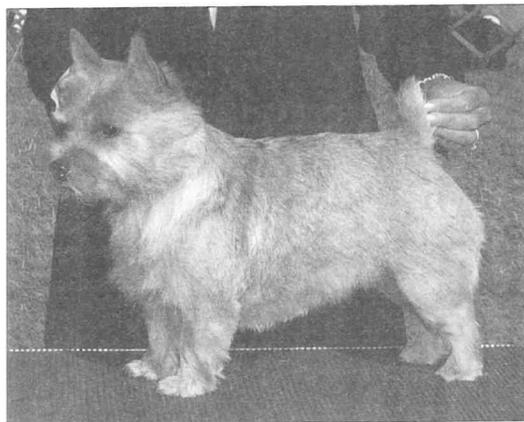
"Breeze" is sweet-tempered with a lovely expression. Now that she has met with success in the breed ring, she will try her paw at raising puppies and chasing rats. That sounds like fun!



**CH. WINDSOR'S
MUMMS THE WORD**

(Ch. Cobblestone's Huck Finn, CGC x
Ch. Waiterock's Chase N Cassandra)
Breeders/Owners: Dori & Phil Ramon

"Brut" started his show career with a 5-point major under judge Ken Kaufmann and completed his championship 2 months later at Sahuaro State KC under judge Dr. Scott Kellogg, winning BOB over a nationally ranked special and a Group 4. He is a charismatic boy who brings us joy in the ring and at home.



**CH. HUNT'S END
RED WEASEL**

(Ch. Highwood's Parachute Adams x
Top Drawer Folly of Highwood)
Breeders: Lindsay Simon &
Nonie Reynders
Owner: Lindsay Simon

"Abby" finished in Fall 2001 with three majors. She was always "stubbornly" and proudly shown in the Bred-By class by her owner/breeder. Eventually it paid off!

**CH. PARADISO WILDWEST
CIRCLE THE WAGONS**

(Ch. WildWest Lone Ranger x
Ch. Baybreez Lickity Split)
Breeders: Holly Davis & Peggy Schmidt
Owners: Betty Bossio &
Peggy Schmidt

"Savannah" was BOS in Sweeps and also RWB at the 2000 NNTC Montgomery Specialty. Last December (2001), she went Best of Breed at the inaugural AKC/Eukanuba American Dog Classic in Orlando, FL. What's up next for her? . . . Motherhood!



BREEDER UPDATES

ARCADIAN (NORWICH). The antics of our newest litter through the dark winter months have cheered us and given focus for the future of Arcadian Kennel, which remains on track despite the kennel dispersal we had been threatened with. When I spoke before the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency last spring in opposition to expansion of the ethanol plant located at the edge of town, I didn't anticipate that exercising my right to free speech would raise the hackles of the local city council. (Ask me sometime about how Tax Increment Financing and industrial development can prostitute decisions made by small town councils.) Council board members' displeasure initially surfaced by their refusal to grant me the renewal of my kennel license, required by local ordinance if you have more than 3 dogs. It escalated when council members strongly "suggested" that we curtail our number of dogs.

Jim, our daughter Emily, and I are proud to continue breeding and showing our line of healthy, happy Norwich Terriers under the Arcadian prefix. The events we faced last spring should serve as a wake-up call to anyone who owns or breeds dog. Laws and legislation are continually being enacted and enforced to place restrictions on—or to be used in retaliation against—dog owners and breeders.

—Kathy Attwood, Preston, MN

HUNT'S END (NORWICH). It was a glorious year for the offspring of our bitch, Top Drawer Folly of Highwood, and Nonie Reynders' stud dog, Ch. Highwood's Parachute Adams (Shooter). Their daughter "Abby" (Hunt's End Red Weasel), from the first litter, won the Bred-By-Exhibitor Class at Montgomery. Many thanks to judge Jack Simm for our biggest show thrill yet. (Jack may not recall, but he judged my first Norwich puppy at my first match—at New Bolton Center, PA—more years ago than either of us cares to remember!) Abby's younger sisters, Hunt's End Foxchase (Chase) and Hunt's End Foxtrot at Millbrook (Foxy), each won classes at Montgomery. Chase won her 12-18 month class and Foxy was Best in Sweeps. It was a VERY good day for all the connections—myself and co-breeder Nonie Reynders, as well as owners Heidi Luhman (Chase), and Lori Pelletier and Nancy and Paul Eddy (Foxy). Hopefully, these Norwich sisters will continue their winning ways and produce beautiful and healthy puppies for us all.

I am looking forward to spring and teaching (with the help of Sue Ely—Sue???) my boy, Highwood's Traffic Ticket, the finer points of going to ground. He shows lots of potential here on the farm but will need to learn to go through the tunnel and play the game by the rules. Maybe my next report will have some hunting news!

I wish you all a great spring and summer season with your young entries, whatever sporting road you take with them.

—Lindsay Simon, Pemberton, NJ



Photo submitted by
Lindsay Simon

L to R.: Shooter and his daughters Abby, Chase and Foxy

MAX-WELL (NORFOLK). To say that I'm stunned that division of our breeds into two clubs didn't occur is an understatement! Valid reasons for division are certainly evident. Norfolks and Norwich are two separate breeds, each never to be bred to the other again and each with different health issues. Recently a NNTC member told me he didn't think there were enough Norfolk people to support a Norfolk club. Excuses such as that are "lame." We have more than enough Norfolks to form a club. It's sad to think that **60%** of NNTC members who voted **voted FOR division**, while just **40%** **voted against it**. Isn't it time to amend our Club's constitution to allow a simple majority vote to decide all issues? This

BREEDER UPDATES

cannot go on! Possibly NNTC Norfolk members should be asked to vote on Division separately. That way, we could immediately determine whether or not Norfolk owners would like to stand alone.

Max-Well puppies are doing well. I have two new, promising litters at home sired by Ch. Nanfan Canter. I rehomed Ch. Max-Well's The Warden's Wife (Roz). She now lives with Bill and Connie Smith, who had another rehomed bitch of mine, Ch. Max-Well's Winter Chill. "Chilly" lived until she was almost 16 and went everywhere with the Smiths. She vacationed in Florida, camped out in Utah and lounged lakeside at her owner's home in New Jersey. Now "Roz" will do the same. Ch. Max-Well's Wind Chase, who lived in the Big Apple with David Van Leer and Miles Parker, quietly died at age 16. One of my Max-Well males has now moved in with the guys and is loving his new home. He has become bi-coastal, as David frequently travels between NYC and California. Nothing makes the heart beat faster than knowing that our dogs are being well cared for. Have a great summer.

—Barbara Miller, Old Brookville, NY

PINCHBECK (NORFOLK). Montgomery weekend was great for the Pinchbecks. Ch. Reidmar Sweet Georgia Brown, CGC, ME won the Veteran Sweepstakes at the ripe young age of twelve and a half, twinkling around the ring on the end of her lead as if she had another decade in which to hunt groundhogs and rule the household. It is a real tribute to Nat Lamar's breeding that she is such a model of health with all her teeth and a perfect bite to boot. Long may she wave! The very next day, Georgia's great grandson, Ch. Pinchbeck Heads-Up Harry, JE, competed in the first-ever NNTC-sponsored Earthdog trial; he ran in the Senior Earthdog competition, and earned the final, elusive leg of that title. Harry and I had struggled for more than a year with a difference of opinion about the mandatory recall, which makes the SE test challenging for some dogs. By dint of hard work on recalls in his obedience classes, Harry learned to come, if not entirely gracefully! A few weeks later in October, he took the first leg of his Master title as if he has been doing that earthdog test all his life; indeed, the judge complimented him on his hunting style. In May, I hope to fly to Seattle with Harry to compete in the Whidbey Island trial. He will be following in the steps of his grandfather, Sam, and his father, Ollie, both of whom earned legs on their Master titles in that faraway earth.

Early last spring, Harry sired his first litter, two pups who will both be out showing this spring. In August, we had the first Pinchbeck litter in several years, sired by Ch. Arroyo's Rudolph the Red. Everyone except the cat thought it was nice to have the patter of tiny feet in our lives again! Pinchbeck progeny in the household now include Holly Beach Satin Doll (Sadie), who is also going out to show with George Wright this spring; Dove Hill Bisy Backson Browne, a Sam daughter, who at seven months is showing promise in obedience as well as in conformation; and Pinchbeck Perfect Fit (aka Tailor), who is from the aforementioned Pinchbeck litter. He is a handsome black and tan dog who looks better every day.

One sad and final note is that our dear old Willy had to be put to sleep just after Christmas, only a few months short of his 15th birthday. He was an enduring and kindly presence in all of our lives; there will never be another dog like him. R. I. P. Willy.

—Susan M. Ely, Bernardsville, NJ

TERRAPIN (NORWICH). So much has happened since we first saw the hideous images of September 11th. Always, over Montgomery weekend, our house is filled with overseas guests. This year, instead of coming home on Sunday to hash over the weekend, we all sat glued by the television trying to learn more about the air strikes over Afghanistan that had begun that afternoon. My nephew, who has traveled from Sweden to "Morm's house" every Christmas of his life, opted to stay put this year. Traveling alone, my sister was making her connection in Paris at the same time Richard Reid was boarding a flight to Miami with his explosive shoes. When Bob Dylan said the times they are a' changing, he really hit the nail on the head. One uplifting truth is my dogs don't know of these changes and continue to go about their business, living life to the fullest. If they could talk, however, I know they would say "thank-you" to the NNTC for contributing \$2000 to the AKC Companion Animal Recovery Disaster Relief Fund to aid the search-and-rescue dogs who played such a vital role during troubled times. Best wishes to all for a brighter year in 2002.

—Margaretta Wood, Phoenixville, PA

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CELEBRATE PEDIGREES: THE 2000 NORWICH TERRIER PEDIGREE BOOK. Compiled by long-time Norwich breeder, Carol Jordan, this loose-leaf book includes over 200 pages of 4-generation Norwich pedigrees, each with a photo of the particular dog or bitch. To obtain your copy of this invaluable Norwich reference, send a \$40 check (which includes postage), payable to **Carol Jordan**, at 604 Old Fritztown Road, Reading, PA 19607-1016.

ANTA 2000 NORFOLK TERRIER PEDIGREE BOOK. (October 2000). Compiled by Edwin Plummer and Barbara Runquist, this loose-leaf book has 144 four-generation Norfolk pedigrees with pictures, indexed both by dog's name and dog owner's name. It is dedicated to Barbara Fournier, a founding member and first president of ANTA, and includes a retrospective of her life. Price, including binder and S&H for U.S. or Canadian delivery, is \$30 (U.S. funds). The **1995 Norfolk Terrier Pedigree Book** without binder is available, while supply lasts, for an additional \$11 if ordered at the same time. Make check payable to ANTA and mail your order to Jane Anderson, 76 Pequotsepos Rd., Mystic, CT 06355.

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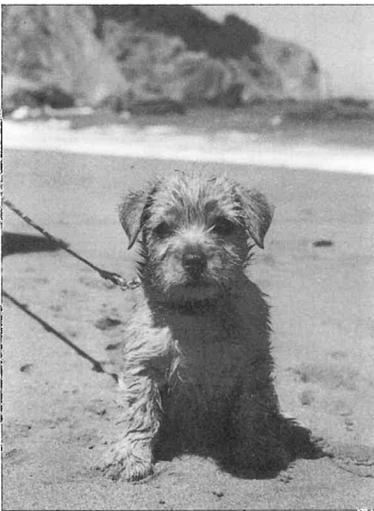


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