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To assure timely publication of the Fall 2006 News, please be sure to meet—or, better
yet, to beat—the August 1 deadline. Thanks for your cooperation. —AGF

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More and more of you are sending your News photos digitally, and the arrangement is work-
ing very well, with one exception: show photos. Because we crop Showfront and New Title Holder
photos so drastically to focus on the dog, they present special problems. Please, if at all possible, send
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happy shooting!

—Sharman Pepper, graphic designer at Deerhaven Press, printer of the News
FROM THE EDITOR...

As most *News* readers know, the year 2006 marks the 70th Anniversary of AKC recognition of the Norwich Terrier as an official breed. Until January 1, 1979, when the AKC recognized Norwich and Norfolk Terriers as separate breeds, our little dogs were registered as Norwich Terrier, prick ear, and Norwich Terrier, drop ear.

The NNTC has planned two special “happenings” in honor of the 70th Anniversary. One is the Platinum Yearbook, containing photos, pedigrees, histories, etc., of both breeds in America. The second is the June 2-4, 2006 weekend in Warwick, Rhode Island, featuring the NNTC Match Show, canine performance events, handling and grooming demonstrations, tours of historic Newport, RI—and other fun and educational activities too numerous to mention. A lot of NNTC members are devoting a lot of time and effort to make these 70th Anniversary projects what they promise to be—truly special.

As always, thanks to those NNTC members and *News* subscribers who took time from their busy lives to write articles and send photos for this issue. My inventory of photos in both breeds is dwindling, so please send more snapshots of your charming little terriers for future issues. Enjoy the spring and summer seasons.—AGF

COME ONE, COME ALL!!

Make plans NOW to attend the June 2-4, 2006 NNTC Match and Performance Events weekend at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Warwick, Rhode Island. The hotel’s phone number is 401-732-6000; mention the NNTC when you call to make reservations. A schedule of the many activities planned for this weekend is included on page 56 of the Fall 2005 *News*. NNTC members will receive additional details in forthcoming club mailings.—AGF

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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. All completed forms are returned to Carol Jordan, along with the applicant's $15 check made out to NNTC. This $15 processing fee is non-refundable.

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!—AGF

THE 2004 NNTC AWARD WINNERS

Ed.: Each year the NNTC awards an array of conformation and performance event trophies to member-owned Norfolk and Norwich. The following winners for 2004 were announced at the October 2005 NNTC Montgomery Specialty dinner. Thanks to Andrew Kramer (Conformation statistics), Mary Fine (Obedience statistics) and Sassie Joiris (Performance Events chair) for sending this information to the News.—AGF

Conformation:
Bred-by-Exhibitor Awards

The NNTC awards annual trophies to each member-owned Norfolk and Norwich dog and bitch earning all his/her championship points from the Bred-by Exhibitor class:

The 2004 Partree Trophy (Norfolk Dog)

This trophy is named in honor of early American drop ear breeder Mrs. Josephine Spencer (Partree) who, together with her friend and fellow drop ear fancier Mrs. Katherine Thayer (Maplehurst), 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 NTC’s first Secretary. (See *Norwich Terriers USA 1936-1966*, pp. 16-17.)

- **Ch. Arroyo’s Archangel Gabriel**, Julia Gleeson
- **Ch. Glenelg Tattersall**, Deborah G. Pritchard
- **Ch. Martone All That Jazz**, Tony and Mary Jo Sweany

**The 2004 Maplehurst Trophy (Norfolk Bitch)**

This trophy is named in honor of early American drop ear breeder **Mrs. Katherine Thayer**, who bred many influential drop ear (Norfolk) Terriers at her Maplehurst Farm in the late 1940’s and 1950’s. Mrs. Thayer was a sister of Sylvia Warren (River Bend). See information under Parttree Trophy above.

- **Ch. Arroyo’s Skittles**, Ann and Ed Dum
- **Ch. Avalon’s Case Closed**, Lori Pelletier and Diane Tracy
- **Ch. Avalon’s Good Time Shandy**, Lori Pelletier, Sal Garafolo, and Joan Rawlins
- **Ch. Bigwig’s Nutmeg**, Kenneth Slump
- **Ch. Max-Well’s I’ve Got A Secret**, Louise Leone and Barbara Miller

**The 2004 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, JPJ won Best of Breed 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. Bedlam’s Spunky Spanky**, Mary L. Jones and Wesley Jones
- **Ch. Rogel Tudex Good Will Hunting**, Joslyn Davidson and Elizabeth Pearson
- **Ch. Summer Sailor of Image**, Monti Craig and Nancy Henning
- **Ch. Terrapin Time Will Tell**, Margaretta Wood and Nathaniel LaMar

**The 2004 High Rising Trophy (Norwich Bitch)**

This trophy is named in honor of early American prick ear breeders, **Mr. and Mrs. Grant Dickson Green**, whose many homebred 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. Littlefield Keri On Regardless**, Leandra Little
- **Ch. tinystowne’s Mini Cooper**, Dana and Rich Esquibel and Roberta Hill
- **Ch. Treasure’s Royal Cappuccino**, Marcia Frank

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NNTC ANNOUNCEMENTS

Agility

The 2004 Clean Run Trophy

The **NNTC Clean Run Trophy**, first offered in 2002, goes to the member-owned Norfolk and Norwich with the most clean runs during the year.

- **Norfolk**: Ch. Flashback Postmark JE MX MXJ (with 28 clean runs); owned by Francoise (Sassie) and Celine Joiris
- **Norwich**: Shaksper Bianca Minola AX MXJ (with 20 clean runs); owned by Blair Kelly

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Obedience

The 2004 River Bend Trophy

The NNTC River Bend Trophy, honoring early Norfolk/Norwich breeder and obedience enthusiast **Sylvia Warren** (River Bend), is awarded to the member-owned Norfolk and Norwich with the highest obedience score during the year.

- **Norfolk**: Ch. Landmark's Whistling Dixie CD (with 8 points); owned by Arista-Newton Moore
- **Norwich**: Ch. Sandina Sally Forth UD (24 points); owned by Betty McDonnell

NNTC club medals for 2004 obedience titles go to:

- **Utility Dog (UD)**: Ch. Sandina Sally Forth UD (Norwich); owned by Betty McDonnell
- **Companion Dog (CD)**: Ch. Landmark's Whistling Dixie CD (Norfolk); owned by Arista-Newton Moore
- **Companion Dog (CD)**: Ch. Bunratty's Earl Arlie O'Todd CD (Norwich); owned by Maureen Glancy and Estelle and Ron Crawford

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The 2004 NNTC Versatility Awards

Criteria for earning NNTC Versatility and Versatility Excellent Awards are posted on the NNTC website.

The following member-owned Norfolk and Norwich earned **NNTC Versatility Awards** in 2004:

- **Norfolk**: Ch. Flashback Postmark JE MX MXJ, Francoise and Celine Joiris  
  Ch. Franaro Lucy Pinch ME CGC, Sue Ely  
  Ch. Landmark's Whistling Dixie CD, Arista-Newton Moore

No member-owned Norfolk or Norwich earned a Versatility Excellent Award nor a Tracking title (Neversink Trophy) in 2004.

*The News congratulates all the 2004 winners and apologizes for any omissions and/or inadvertent errors in your dogs’ names, titles and awards.—AGF*
CH. MAX-WELL'S WHIZARD OF OZ
(1991-2005)

I didn't have a good day Thursday, September 15, 2005, but it got even worse when I phoned my vet to inquire about one of my special Norfolks, Ch. Whizard of Oz. She was born June 10, 1991 to Ch. Max-Well's Winter Chill, her dam, and Ch. Max-Well's Will B Good, her sire. This little girl had three brothers to contend with as they made their way to their mother's nursing station. At three weeks of age, as the pups' eyes opened and they tried out their legs, I fell in love with her. Every time I picked her up, she made me giggle. Even as a wee baby, she would nuzzle into my neck and claim me as hers. There was something about her face and her being that I just loved. Clearly her name would be "Giggles."

Giggles was a quick study and eager to please. Early on, she took to table training, which made trimming her pleasurable for us both. Every time I looked into her precious face, I would smile. Every time she won points in the show ring, including her Best of Winners at Westminster (yes, class dogs/bitches once were part of the entry at Westminster), I would smile. I was extremely proud of this beautifully made Norfolk.

Giggles earned her championship quickly and then retired to the whelping box. In the final issue of "Terrier Type", published by its long-time editor/publisher Dan Kiedrowski, I learned that Giggles, with 10 breed champions, was the leading brood bitch in Norfolk history. As a breeder, I have always felt that a well-bred bitch is the answer to a good breeding line. Giggles was that bitch, with top-winning and top-producing Norfolks behind her. Weatherman (Storm), Walk On By (Wicket), Weather Or Not (Notty) and Wild Card (Dealer) are four of her outstanding offspring, each having a place in Norfolk breed history. The sire of these four was Eng. & Am. Ch. Nanfan Culver. The beauty of breeding Giggles to Culver was the incorporation of Nanfan background in Giggles to an entirely Nanfan-breed dog. England's Joy Taylor of Nanfan fame has always had a tight line-bred breeding program. Thanks must go to Joy for being the foundation of what Giggles was able to produce.

No matter how many dogs one owns, it's always difficult to say good-bye to any of them. For me, it was particularly difficult to say "farewell" to Giggles because she gave me so much. One morning, she didn't gulp down her breakfast as she usually did. She was offered lunch, but declined. The following morning, she again refused food, even her favorite biscuit. Giggles appeared to be bloated as well as lethargic. It was obvious that something was wrong. On my way to the office, I took her to the vet where she had a complete examination. She was immediately put on an IV and had an ultrasound. The ultrasound showed that Giggles had a tumor on her spleen. If she had been 7 or 8 years old, I might have asked the vet to remove the spleen—since a spleen is not needed to live. Considering her age, however, I decided to let her leave me peacefully. Giggles and I were both very brave during the quick procedure, but once it was over, I wept like a baby. Thank you, Giggles, for what you were and for what you contributed to the Norfolk breed, but especially for the love we had for one another. Ch. Max-Well's Whizard of Oz died on Friday, September 16, 2005.

—Barbara Miller, Max-Well Norfolk Terriers

CH. REIDMAR ROB ROY
(1994-2005)

Little did I know when I began my search for a Norfolk pup, the years of love and adventure to come. I had grown up with Norfolks, my father having acquired a foundation bitch from the late, great Anne Winston (Mt. Paul Norfolk). "Schnitzel" went on to produce my beloved and much missed Ch. Annursac Major Yeats, affectionately known as Yeats, "a bear with very little brain." His lack of intelligence was actually a ruse to

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get away with everything, which he did quite regularly. He was a handsome, big-boned, seventeen-pound Nanfan type; I loved him because he loved me.

Years later and scouting for my first very own dog, I was looking for a Yeats cousin. Having known my father, Barbara Miller of the famous Max-Well Norfolks kindly referred me to her friend Nat LaMar, who had a litter of puppies available. I spoke with Nat and immediately felt “at home.” He knew I wanted a boy, wanted to show, and he offered me pick of the litter. On that bright summer day when I first arrived at Nat’s beautiful Brooklyn brownstone, I felt as if I was greeted by an old friend. We went to look at the puppies running back and forth between the house and back garden. Of the four boys in the litter, I loved the look of Bravo, who was slightly bigger and had more of Yeats’s mien. But it was Bear who came up to me—and he kept coming up to me. When Nat put the pups in the x-pen, Bear was again the first to run up to the fence. He was gregarious, bright, funny and clearly displayed terrier tenaciousness. He was going to have his human or else! In that moment and in the years to come, Bear taught me everything there is to know about choosing and being chosen. He never gave up—on play, on love, on giving life his all and more, every day.

Bear also gave me Nat, whose extraordinary commitment to both his animal and human friends has been and continues to be an inspiration in my life. Both Nat and I have shared a belief in breeding for temperament as much as for looks. Bear exemplified both. He was even-tempered, alert, and very curious; he had the intelligence that has made our breed little wonders in the Obedience ring. Although I never made use of his talent in this area, his son, Reidmar Darby CD, CDX, owned and trained by NNTC member Bernice O. Staton, has proved himself a star.

Bear loved people, especially children. When my husband and I had our daughter, Belinda, Bear was the first to bark whenever he thought I was not being an attentive mother! He was patient with all the fur-pulling and tail-tugging, and taught Belinda how to play fetch with him, as he had taught me. He even adjusted without incident to sleeping off the bed after she was born.

In the show ring, Bear was a Special. He was shown sparingly, since he was first and foremost “my boy.” One year, he won an Award of Merit at Montgomery, a great accomplishment for him and a testimony to Nat’s breeding program. He retired soon thereafter to enjoy the spoiling he so richly deserved and the pleasures of chasing squirrels in our Cambridge backyard. Whether exploring the park or walking through Harvard Square, he never lacked for friendship or affection, nor ran out of them to give. Chris Nance, who kept him in good coat for so many years, loved to tell us that Bear was the only dog he knew who could rip open a baseball, in 30 seconds no less! Needless to say, he lost teeth along the way. And up until the last, he would rattie his shaky toy with all the growling accompaniment of dispatching a rat.

In his later years, Bear enjoyed his second family, our friends Marina and Roberta, who took him into their home whenever we were away, and where he died of heart failure last November. Much too soon, of course, but our grieving is worth every moment of joy and fun he brought to our lives. He will rest beneath the Buddha in our backyard—a fitting headstone for the pure love and joy he embodied and modeled for us all.

—Lucinda Jewell Donohoe, Cambridge, MA
2005 NORFOLK AND NORWICH AGILITY TITLES

Novice Agility

- March Wind’s Cobbler CD NA Owner: Robin Foley, Norfolk Terrier
- Blackrange Star’s ‘N Stripes NAJ, Owners: Angela Smith & Marilyn Smith, Norfolk Terrier
- Ch. Urchin’s Just Us Market Watch NA NAP NJP JE, Owners: Suzanne Orban-Stagle & Lauren Love, Norwich Terrier
- Beach Pine Sophie of Oakley NA NAJ, Owner: Ursula M Walsh, Norwich Terrier
- Ch. Artisan’s Sea Worthy Bosun NA, Breeder/Owner: Donna L O’Hara, Norfolk Terrier
- Ch. Folklore’s Free Spirit NAJ NAJ, Breeder/Owner: Sheila Foran, Norfolk Terrier
- Ch. Shoebutton’s Beau Burnside NA, Owner: Donna H. West & Joan Dance, Norwich Terrier
- Flurries Bayside Beacon NA NAJ JE, Breeder/Owner: Peggy L Metcalf, Norfolk Terrier
- Flatford Loving Grace CD NA, Owner: Peggy Chitrick, Norfolk Terrier
- Ch. Bancroft’s Hunter NAJ NA, Owner: Marsha L. Muse, Norfolk Terrier
- Ch. Avalon’s Captive Charisma NAJ, Owner: Lori Pelletier, Norfolk Terrier
- Jerusalem Road Less Traveled NAJ NAJ, Owner: Christine Zink, Norwich Terrier
- Ch. Justus Devlin McCain OAJ NJP, Owners: Suzanne Orban-Stagle & Lauren Love, Norwich Terrier
- Ch. Kilkaya’s High Voltage NA NAJ, Owner: Betty McDonnell, Norwich Terrier
- Ch. Sandina Sally Forth UD NA NAJ, Owner: Betty McDonnell, Norwich Terrier

Novice Agility Jumper

- Ketka’s Biskit NA NAJ NJP, Owners: Magda Omansky & Michael Chiarella, Norwich Terrier
- March Wind’s Cobbler CD NA, NAJ Owner: Robin Foley, Norfolk Terrier
- Ch. Urchin’s Just Us Market Watch NA NAP NAJ NJP JE, Owner: Suzanne Orban-Stagle & Lauren Love, Norwich Terrier
- Blackrange Star’s ‘N Stripes NAJ, Owners: Angela Smith & Marilyn Smith, Norfolk Terrier
- Beach Pine Sophie of Oakley NA NAJ, Owner: Ursula M Walsh, Norwich Terrier
- Ch. Folklore’s Free Spirit NAJ, Owner: Sheila Foran, Norfolk Terrier
- Abbedale Ready to Wear Pierre NAJ, Owner: Holly Hughes, Norfolk Terrier
- Ch. Artisan’s Sea Worthy Bosun NA NAJ, Breeder/Owner: Donna L O’Hara, Norfolk Terrier
- Flurries Bayside Beacon NAJ JE, Breeder/Owner: Peggy L Metcalf, Norfolk Terrier
- Ch. Bancroft’s Hunter NAJ, Owner: Marsha L. Muse, Norfolk Terrier
- Ch. Briardale’s Cactus Flower NAJ, Owners: Carole Foucarault & Sharon Walters, Norwich Terrier
- Ch. Avalon’s Captive Charisma NAJ, Owner: Lori Pelletier, Norfolk Terrier
- Jerusalem Road Less Traveled NA NAJ, Owner: Christine Zink, Norwich Terrier
- Ch. Justus Devlin McCain OAJ NJP, Owners: Suzanne Orban-Stagle & Lauren Love, Norwich Terrier

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• Ch. Sandina Sally Forth UD NA NAJ, Owner: Betty McDonnell, Norwich Terrier
• Ch. Shoebutton’s Beau Burnside NA NAJ, Owner: Donna West, Norwich Terrier

Open Agility
• Pair-A-Docs’ Mint Julep OA OAJ, Owner: Marcia G. Frank, Norwich Terrier
• Todmorden Fire Eyes OA OAJ, Owner: Sheila M Weathers, Norfolk Terrier
• Ketka’s Biskit OA OAJ NJP, Owners: Magda Omansky & Michael Chiarella, Norwich Terrier
• Ch. Belvedere Oliver Twist, Owner: Sally J. Little, Norwich Terrier

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• Breakaway’s Malarky AX AXJ, Owner: Gail Exstrom, Norwich Terrier

Agility Excellent Jumper
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• Ch. Andover Petite Bonbon CD AX AXJ SE, Owner: Laurie Rossi Sherick, Norfolk Terrier
• Capricorns Whatvr Lola Wants OA AXJ, Owners: Nona Albarano & Catharine L Cargo, Norfolk Terrier
• Breakaway Wilbur Valentino AXJ, Owner: Claire A. Demartini, Norwich Terrier

Master Agility Excellent
• Shaksper Bianca Minola MX MXJ, Breeder/Owner: Blair Kelly, Norwich Terrier
• Skyysco’t’s Trouble Scooter CD MX MXJ, Owner: Susan Novotny & Scott Laidig, Norwich Terrier
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Master Agility Champion
- MACH Triune Tartan Gandolf Greybeard, Owner: Joan M. Meyer, Norfolk Terrier
- Ch. MACH Jerusalem Katherina Minola B CD, Owner: Blair Kelly, Norwich Terrier

2005 NORFOLK AND NORWICH AGILITY PREFERRED TITLES:

Novice Agility Preferred
- Tally-Ho-Ho-Ho OA NAP NJP ME, Owner: Beth Kravitz, Norfolk Terrier
- Folklore Fleur De Lis NAP, Owner: Sheila Foran, Norfolk Terrier

Novice Agility Jumper Preferred
- Tally-Ho-Ho-Ho OA NAP NJP ME, Owner: Beth Kravitz, Norfolk Terrier
- Dunbar’s Montgomery Find CDX MX NAP, Owner: Pam Lorenzen, Norwich Terrier
- Ch. Dunbar’s Mistress Of The Hunt OA OAJ NJP, Owners: Joan C. Bakken & Mrs. Joan Schurr Kefeli, Norwich Terrier
- Flatford Loving Grace CD NA NJP, Owner: Peggy Chittick, Norfolk Terrier
- Folklore Fleur De Lis NAP NJP, Owner: Sheila Foran, Norfolk Terrier
- Sand-Castle Darcy UD MX MXJ NJP, Owner: Carlynn Ricks, Norwich Terrier

Open Agility Preferred
- Tally-Ho-Ho-Ho OA OAP NAJ OJP ME, Owner: Beth Kravetz, Norfolk Terrier
- Dunbar’s Montgomery Find CDX RN MX OAP AXJ OJP, Owner: Pam Lorenzen, Norwich Terrier

Open Agility Jumper Preferred
- Ch. Jaeva Brandy Snap NAP OJP ME, Owner: Linda-Maria Federici, Norfolk Terrier
- Tally-Ho-Ho-Ho OA NAP NAJ OJP ME, Owner: Beth Kravitz, Norfolk Terrier
- Dunbar’s Montgomery Find CDX RN MX OAP AXJ OJP, Owner: Pam Lorenzen, Norwich Terrier

SINCERE CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL NEW TITLE WINNERS!

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AGILITY AT MONTGOMERY 2005

Do you know what happens on the Monday preceding the Montgomery County Kennel Club Show? A traditional “Norville” is built in Kimberton, PA, site of the Montgomery Agility Cluster. Tents are erected; x-pens, chairs and tables are set up; delicious food is brought out. The atmosphere could not be friendlier. What ticket is needed to get into “Norville”? You have to own a Norwich or a Norfolk Terrier.

Agility people come from all the corners of the USA. Some fly, some drive, even if it takes days. Everyone makes sacrifices to get there, but would not miss it for anything. And everyone makes it a wonderful experience for all involved. There are countless examples of thoughtfulness everywhere you look. This year, someone thought of bringing an easel to keep track of our scores. Others remembered to bring extra tents so that no one would be without a shelter. All newcomers are sought out and shown the ropes.

“Norville” is a little marvel, and so is the story behind it. The sport of agility has its healthy share of competitive spirit, but it is also conducive to genuine camaraderie. After all, we compete against the clock and only indirectly against the other competitors. Yet the togetherness of our Norfolk and Norwich group goes beyond what is a norm in the sport. Consider how we have grown from a handful of agility enthusiasts to a sizeable bunch in less than 5 years. I think one of the reasons for this robust growth is our mutual support. Most of us meet almost daily over the Internet at our “noragility” chat line. This is an invaluable training forum and, of course, a place to exchange brags and inspire each other. We discuss our dogs’ structure, temperament, health, and our training methods. Together we research, analyze, gather statistics, ponder and disagree. Our “noragility” group is singularly unique; in fact it is the only group of agility enthusiasts connected by common terrier breeds.

Before you start thinking that more and more people are just casually training their terriers in agility, let me add that the most significant change is the number of participants competing at the highest level of the sport. This year’s Montgomery Agility Cluster had 20 Norwich and 16 Norfolk Terriers. For both breeds, most of the participants competed on Excellent courses, again most in Excellent B class. These dogs had to earn a minimum of 6 agility titles to be eligible for Excellent B class. This not only requires dedication on the part of Norfolk and Norwich trainers/handlers; it also indicates that our short-legged terriers can run fast and be consistently accurate. With the trend towards much higher requirements for Excellent level with each change in AKC rules, our breeds are being noticed across the country as serious competitors.

Another significant change is the ever-increasing numbers of breed champions competing seriously in agility. Of the 36 Norfolk and Norwich competing at the 2005 Montgomery agility trial, eleven were conformation champions and some of the younger dogs were well on their way to their championship titles.

It only goes to reason that to run fast and efficiently, a dog must have a sound structure.

Lastly, here is another delicious fact to top this already sweet story. Almost every Norfolk and Norwich youngster making a Montgomery debut was blazing fast…and I mean it! Some of the fastest dogs were, as expected, Excellent B competitors such as Norwich stars “Chandler,” “Scooter,” and “Bianca” and Norfolks “Stamp,” “Aelz,” and “Ollie.” What was not expected and thus was thoroughly thrilling were the wonderfully fast performances by such Novice dogs as the well-named “Fleet,” “Vespa,” “Katest”, “Rizzie” and “Devlin.” All seasoned trainers know that whether or not young dogs qualify in their first trials is less important than the promise they show. And that they did! I expect that representatives of both our breeds will be pushing records in the coming years.

"Vespa" airborne
AGILITY

Please forgive me for not naming all the Norfolk and Norwich qualifiers and for leaving out some of the great performers and their handlers. It simply is not feasible to mention all. I will say that all who competed made the Montgomery agility event what it was: GREAT! And that’s where things are at when it comes to agility in both our breeds. The chart below summarizes the wonderful success we had at the 2005 Montgomery trial.

Interesting Montgomery agility facts pertaining to Norwich and Norfolk participants:

- 36 Norfolk and Norwich competitors
- 36 qualifying runs total
- 15 first placements! – almost half of all qualifying runs

Qualifying runs per classes:

("Q" means a qualifying run, "STD" means Standard class, "JWW" means Jumper with Weaves class)

Novice A 3 Qs in STD and 3 Qs in JWW
Novice B 4 Qs in STD and 3 Qs in JWW
Novice P 1 Q in STD and 4 Qs in JWW
Open 1 Q in STD and 2 Qs in JWW
Excellent A No Qs in STD and 2 Qs in JWW
Excellent B 7 Qs in STD and 6 Qs in JWW

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THE AKC AGILITY NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

There are few competitions as exhilarating as a National Championship in any sport, and agility is no exception. This year, as last year, the AKC Agility National Championships were held in conjunction with the AKC/Eukanuba National Invitational and the AKC National Obedience Invitational in Tampa, FL, in mid-January. Not only did the Tampa Convention Center provide a wonderful venue for the show, but the entire city, its inhabitants, and even the balmy weather seemed to welcome us and the several thousand other dogs and people who descended upon the area. The agility competition began on Friday, January 13, a day before the other events. The thrill and adrenalin were palpable as one entered the agility area. The excitement of 700 dog and handler teams vying for champion was everywhere, but there was also a strong sense of community.

The road to the Agility Nationals begins in October of the preceding year. This year, dogs needed to earn six “double Qs” and 300 MACH speed points to qualify. While some thought this was unfair to smaller dogs, there was a good turnout of 53 dogs in the 8” class. Needless to say, all the competitors at the Nationals are of the highest caliber. There were two Norfolk Terriers at this year’s Nationals: Stamp (Ch.
Flashback Postmark JE, MX, MXJ), handled by my mother, Francoise (Sassie) Joiris, and Wizard (MACH Triune Tartan Gandolf Greybeard JE), owned by former Agility World Team member Joan Myers and handled by her daughter, Jen. Wizard is the first Norfolk Terrier to earn a MACH (Master Agility Champion) title. Stamp and Wizard have taken turns being the #1 and #2 Norfolk in agility over the past few years, but had never met head to head. Unfortunately there were no Norwich in agility, though the breed was expertly represented in Obedience by Carlynn Ricks and Darcy.

The first day of agility competition is a State Team tournament, separate from the next two days. Stamp had two clean runs, finishing in 12th place in the 8" class and, even more excitingly, 4th place in New York State, all heights. Wizard also had two clean runs that day. Like all agility trials, the day was long and tiring and involved much more waiting than running. There was plenty of socializing to be done and there were always dogs to watch. That evening was the Agility Banquet, where agility competitors, judges, and officials dined and socialized, and where important announcements (such as the requirements for next year’s competition) and awards were made. Amid much applause, Sassie was called up to the podium to receive **Stamp’s award for #1 agility Norfolk in 2004**, which, of course, was very exciting.

By mid-morning Saturday, the crowds had arrived. This event is heavily publicized; everyone in Tampa seemed to know about it, and many came to watch. Luckily, only exhibitors are permitted within the roped-off crating areas. As on all days, the trial started around 7 AM; we arrived at the convention center before dawn. Unfortunately, neither of the Norfolk’s maintained their spotless records from the day before. Stamp dropped a bar in one run, and had a clean round in the other, finishing that day in 27th place. Wizard, meanwhile, popped out of the weave poles in the first round and had a clean run in the second. Though Wizard was six seconds (a considerable chunk in agility, especially at these levels) faster than Stamp in one of the runs, he ended up in 40th place due to the interesting scoring system used for the competition. Between runs, 1 and my 1½ year-old Norfolk, Fleet, greeted dog lovers at the NNTC “Meet the Breeds” booth. With no banquet to attend that evening, we took the opportunity to crash in our motel room that afternoon. Unfortunately at dinner, Sassie became quite ill with what we first pegged as a migraine, but later realized was food poisoning.

Sassie was sick all the next day, but when it came time to run, adrenalin took over. She and Stamp had a fantastic run, but Stamp flew off the teeter just a moment too soon, before it had hit the ground, thereby incurring a fault which they would have entered the finals (considering the state of Sassie’s health, this was probably a good thing). Stamp and Sassie finished in 21st place, certainly cause for excitement. Jen and Wizard also had a very good run on Sunday, about two seconds faster than Sassie and Stamp. Disappointingly, though, Wizard dropped the very last bar; they ended up in 38th place.

The Norfolks had run at 8 AM, and the “challenger’s round” and finals weren’t scheduled until that evening. Since the spectator bleachers were already an absolute zoo and Sassie wasn’t doing so well anyhow, we decided to pack up our gear and head out. And so we bid the Nationals good bye—until next year!

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THE 2005 MONTGOMERY WEEKEND
ALL-TERRIER OBEEDIENCE TRIAL

Once again, Norfolk and Norwich obedience trainers turned out in large numbers and with great enthusiasm for the Montgomery All-Terrier Obedience Trial (MATOT) in Kimberton, PA, inaugurated last year by NNTOC Norwich members Pam Lorenzen and Carlynn Ricks, and hosted this year by the Wheaten Club, which ran a wonderful trial.

Because several Norfolk and Norwich owners entered their dogs primarily to support the trial (Norfolk and Norwich were represented more than one would expect from their actual numbers) and were not really in search of a title, qualifying scores were a little scarce. Many dogs came very close, missing a qualifying score by a single exercise. Several, like Shirl Hutchins' Brody, came just to have fun and did exactly that, especially when the leash came off and they had a chance to go say "Hi" to everyone. Not a few of our little dogs, including my own, spent a few minutes doing what they do best, "Hoovering" the ring.

At the beginning of the trial, 6 Norfolk and 8 Norwich entered a total of 17 classes. There was much cheering and support of each other throughout the day, with agility competitors coming in from the agility field to add to the cheers. Their support was greatly appreciated. At the end, there were 3 qualifying scores. Beverly Ann Kerrigan's Norwich, Kilkenny's Mountain Heather, qualified in Open B, just missing 4th place out of 26 entries. My Norwich, Sand-Castle Darcy, loves this trial. Last year, he qualified in both Open B and Utility B and thereby earned his 5th UDX leg out of the 10 needed for the title. Darcy then spent the rest of the year going down on "sits" and telling me how old he was getting—as if 9 years was old! Again this year at Kimberton, he doubled Q'd for UDX leg #6, including a 4th place in Utility B. Both he and Beverly's Heather earned wonderful prizes, donated by many friends of Norfolk/Norwich obedience and gathered and coordinated by NNTOC Performance Events Chair Sassie Joiris.

As of the end of January, no breed club has stepped forward to host the 2006 Montgomery obedience trial. That would be a terrible shame. So if you have obedience friends in other terrier breeds, please tell them that hosting the Kimberton trial is easy because all the groundwork has been done.

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A BREED FIRST AT THE
AKC NATIONAL OBEEDIENCE INVITATIONAL

For the first time ever, one of our breeds was invited to the AKC National Obedience Invitational, now in its 11th year. Like the AKC Agility Nationals, dogs must qualify to enter this trial. For obedience, the dog must (1) have the advanced title Utility Dog (UD), (2) have earned points toward the Obedience Trial Champion title (OTCH) during the past year, and (3) be among the top three in the breed in number of OTCH points.

Ten-year-old Norwich Sand-Castle Darcy UD MX MXJ did that this year. According to his owner, NNTOC member Carlynn Ricks, Darcy went to the January 14 and 15, 2006 trial in Tampa, Florida "to represent Norwich and Norfolk (since most folks don't make a big distinction between the two breeds), to try not to embarrass himself, and to keep going through all six rounds on Saturday, the first day of the championship." He succeeded, and would like everyone to know that most of the mistakes were Carlynn's.

The set-up of the trial is unlike any other obedience trial. There are six rings; in each ring, the team performs 3 or 4 exercises from Open or Utility, eventually performing every Open and Utility exercise twice—except that there are no "stays." Every team competes in every ring. Darcy and Carlynn started in Ring One at 7:30 Saturday morning and ended in Ring Six about 3:30 Saturday afternoon.
Darcy did not start well. His first go-out was barely acceptable, and he looked away during the signals. ("Well," he said, "there was so much going on.") Unfortunately, Carlynn was programmed to put up her arm for the "down" signal when the judge said to, and Darcy missed it. Most of the other rings went OK. Darcy's heeling was occasionally barely acceptable, but it passed.

The highlight came just before lunch, when Carlynn was competing under the grumpiest judge she'd ever met. Fortunately, there were a bunch of friends at ringside, many of them conformation competitors. Carlynn thanks Ursula Walsh, BOB Norwich handler Betty Bossio, Jan Sinclair, Beth Kravitz, and Gayle Holmen for their support in the form of loud cheers as we exited the ring. The cheers at least woke up the judge! During the last round, a couple of Darcy's fans showed up again and saw him put in a spirited and high quality performance to finish the day.

Darcy didn't win anything except self-respect, but he did place above about 1/3rd of the competitors. The best 32 teams went on to compete on Sunday. Carlynn and Darcy really enjoyed watching Sunday's entire final round, after they had watched NNTC member Sasse Joiris and her Norfolk, Stamp, run in the agility ring. Amazingly, the overall obedience winner was a Lab—while the Goldens scratched their heads, wondering what happened.

Darcy has probably already qualified for next year's Obedience Nationals. Carlynn wonders if, at 11 years of age, her little terrier will still have it in him to jump and to pay attention.

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**SPRING 2006 OBEEDIENCE NEWS**

Both our breeds have outstanding obedience accomplishments to celebrate our Platinum Anniversary: a Norwich is poised to become the first Norwich UDX (Utility Dog Excellent) and a Norfolk has a brand-new Utility Dog (UD) title.

**Sand-Castle Darcy UD MX MXJ**, a Norwich owned by NNTC member Carlynn Ricks, is fast closing in on the coveted UDX title and now needs only 2 more of the required 10 legs. When he completes the title, Darcy will be the first UDX Norwich, joining the only UDX Norfolk, Tylwyth Just Felicity UDX, Can. UD. The UDX is a "consistency" title, as opposed to the OTCH (Obedience Trial Championship). The OTCH requires high placings in a class to earn the required 100 points (number of points earned at any one time are based on the number of dogs competing). To earn a UDX title, a dog must get 10 legs, each leg consisting of a qualifying score in both Utility and Open classes at the same show. The score does not matter as long as it is qualifying. Both the UDX and the OTCH require that the dog first have a UD title. The quest for a UDX leg can be very tiring for both dog and owner. I recall one instance when I was in the Utility ring at 8 AM and finished in the Open ring at 5 PM, so each leg is a tribute to the dog's consistency. Dogs capable of the high scores required for an OTCH do not necessarily have an easy time with the UDX.
Our new UD Norfolk is Artisan's Brandy UD, owned by George and Margo Rzeszutek. Brandy finished her title in July, 2005 with a second place in Utility A at the Farmington Valley (CT) show after many heartbreaking classes where she missed a small portion of a single exercise. She is the Rzeszutek's first obedience dog and is the 12th Norfolk to hold the UD title.

There is also a new CDX Norfolk, Cortalld Camelot of Islay, owned by Rhoda Holden, completed the CDX in July, 2005. And in the Novice class, the Norfolk Flurrie's Kate's Light RN, owned by J. Strel, has a first leg from the Novice B class.

Norwich qualifying in Novice include a brand new CD, Ch. Arcadian Wild Adventure, owned by NNTC member Ann Carlson. This dog completed the title in Iowa in October. A first Novice leg went to another Norwich, Abbedale's Miss Maggie, owned by G. Hayward. Yet another reminder to everyone: if you want to see more personal details of your dog in print, you must write or email me. Otherwise I am limited to what information I can find in the AKC Gazette Awards publication. Speaking of which, in perusing the Gazette Awards, I discovered that Skyscot's Tanda, a Norwich owned by Sarah Dean who used to compete in New England, has apparently migrated to Utah and acquired a first CDX leg from the Open A class. Sarah, if you read this, please send details!

In the Helpful Hints Department, it has been suggested that I remind News readers that there might be reasons why one might want to enter a dog who is seeking Open or Utility legs in the "B" classes—yes, against all those finished dogs! For newcomers, a quick recap: the Open A and Utility A classes are for dogs who have not yet attained the CDX or UD titles respectively, while Open B and Utility B are the “competition classes” where finished dogs compete for UDX legs, OTCH points, rankings in various ratings systems, etc. However, there is no rule against entering a dog who is still working toward a title in these “B” classes and there might be some advantages to doing so. In both Open and Utility B, a rule change in recent years dictates that the order of the exercises be varied. There are a number of different groupings for the exercises, known as Open I, Open II, III, etc., and the same for Utility. If you find your dog getting bored with the traditional Open A routine, which always starts with heeling, by all means try him in Open B where you might end up doing heeling last. Sometimes this works, sometimes not, but if you are encountering problems, it’s worth a try. In case you are not already thoroughly confused, the above does NOT apply to the Novice classes. Novice A is exclusively for handlers who have never put an AKC obedience title on a dog. It is also limited to handlers who are showing their own dogs. Novice B, which has exactly the same exercises and in the same order as Novice A, is open to any handler.

Happy Heeling and lots of green ribbons at the coming shows!

—Mary D. Fine, NNTC Obedience Chair, Storrs, CT

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RESOLVE AND REHOME: THE END GAME

Victorian essayist William Hazlett is quoted as writing, “No young man believes that he shall ever die.” Most of us don’t much think about dying either, but a recent Norfolk rescue and rehome case prompts me to write about the absolute necessity of making definite plans for your dogs should your life end, slowly or suddenly. I am not talking about a will. I am talking about a plan that provides a destination for each dog you own in the event of your death. This plan must be made now, while you are “up and running”—showing, trialing, training, or simply walking your dogs in the park. Devising a plan when you could be struggling for your own life will be impossible. Too much else will be going on and you will not be in control. Discuss this plan now with your partner, your children, your vet, your best friend—with anyone who will think of the dogs should you get hit by an 18 wheeler or choke on an egg salad sandwich. I do not mean to be gruesome, but this is a high-speed, dicey world. We cannot be too careful about those who are dependent on us.

A NNTC member died recently after a long illness, leaving behind two Norfolks and a Lab. One of the Norfolks did not get on well with either of the other dogs, and expressed his animosity by peeing in the house at every opportunity. Needless to say, he was not a favorite of the surviving children. Since nobody wanted him, they decided to have him put to sleep, even though he was only 10 years old and in good health (if a tad chubby). The vet, bless him, refused. A woman who had worked for the deceased NNTC member called NNTC Rescue; the Norfolk was removed from the house when no one was home, papers and all. The children had consented to this removal, but wanted him gone when they came home. The dog has since been neutered and provisionally placed; he has not lifted his leg on anything at his new house. The other Norfolk went to a new home, but did not like the resident cat—so he too had to be placed. Luckily, a friend of the deceased woman had already planned to rehome him in the South, where she lives. I am working to have him neutered also.

What is wrong with this story? Despite its happy ending, getting there was a frantic scramble because there was no plan in place for these dogs. If I had not lived nearby, if the dying woman had not had a friend who cared deeply for the dogs, if the woman who ran the barn had not flinched at the thought of euthanizing a perfectly healthy dog and called me, if we had not all intervened on behalf of the dogs, one and most likely two Norfolks would be dead. Plan now! We owe our dogs a better future.

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SPRING 2006 EARTHDOG NEWS

Here, last but certainly not least, are the as-yet-unreported-in-the-News earthdog titles earned by Norwich and Norfolks at the end of 2005:

Norwich

Junior Earthdog:

• Ch. Urchin’s Just Us Market Watch NA NAP NAJ NJP JE, owned by Suzanne Orbán-Stagle and Lauren Love
• Fxhnt Pippin JE, owned by Joanne Gilden and Hal Happersett
• Lazy Lightning JE, owned by Jennifer Burt

Senior Earthdog:

• Stonecrop Lord Spencer SE, owned by Nancy Dionne and Linda Kenyon

Norfolk

Junior Earthdog:

• Ch. Boxcar’s Murphy Pa Macallam JE, owned by Karen Kotke-Partington and Jeffrey Partington
• Ch. Prestwick’s One Night Only JE, owned by Judy Kimie-Snyder and Denise Ford
• MACH Triune Tartan Gandolf Greybeard JE, owned by Joan Meyer

Senior Earthdog:

• Holly Beach Mack The Knife SE, owned by Susan Ely

AWTA Certificate of Gameness:

• Flurries Bayside Beacon CG SE NA NAJ, owned by Peggy Metcalf
• Pinchbeck’s Rainy Night in Georgia JE CG, owned by Sue Ely
• Pinchbeck’s Houdini JE CGC CG, owned by Peggy Chittick

Congratulations to all the above dog/handler teams. You do the Norwich and Norfolk Terrier community proud! Keep digging!

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What Is A “Working Terrier”? 

The term “working terrier” seems to have evolved lately to include any terrier that has the slightest interest in pursuing game. Rightfully so, a terrier in pursuit of vermin is “working”, or performing a task it was originally bred to perform. However, true hunting terrier men/women would not use the term so loosely. The true working terrier is one that goes to ground willingly to sniff, dig, scramble, twist, turn and claw its way through the natural earth to find the quarry. The quarry is not behind bars, but is ready, willing and able to do in the terrier with tooth and claw. This working terrier is on his own, using his natural instincts to complete his inherited job.

We who train and compete in earthdog events are taking the first step towards the claim of owning a working terrier. The above-ground training does not qualify any dog to be a working terrier, but as dogs go through the in-the-ground man-made tunnels, they begin to experience a small bit of the reality of working underground. We, as earthdog competitors, get all excited and are so proud of our dogs when they successfully negotiate the different levels of the AKC earthdog tests. However, the true test of the working terrier is in the natural elements, not in the safe, controlled environment created by AKC rules and regulations.

If and when you feel you and your dog are ready to hunt naturally, make sure you contact a seasoned, experienced terrier man/woman to help you. Go on a hunt without your dog first. You may find that it is not what you expected. And never go out hunting alone. It could spell disaster.

True working terriers are a sight to behold. Watching them go-to-ground, hearing them work the quarry, and seeing the job completed is an awesome thing. It can also be a nerve-wrenching, emotional ride for some people may be too difficult. So for those less willing to go that route, continue to experience the joy in watching your terrier chase squirrels, run after birds in the yard and earn those green qualifying ribbons at earthdog competitions. And know that by being active with your dog, you are giving him a chance to use his instincts and to keep them alive and well in our Norwich and Norfolk Terriers.

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Leap frog, Norwich style
"Is it spring yet?"

"We're good at sharing."

"I don't do 'hippity-hoppity.'"

"I come gift wrapped."

"High Five!" (Five 5-week-old Norwich)
INFECTIOUS DISEASES ASSOCIATED WITH BARF (BONES AND RAW FOOD) DIETS

Introduction

BARF diets have become popular with dog owners in recent years. Sled dogs and racing greyhounds have traditionally been fed raw meat, but owners of pet and show dogs are also now interested in this diet. The theory behind BARF diets is that wolves and wild dogs eat raw food. However, wild wolves only have a life expectancy of a few years, while we hope that our companion dogs will live well into their teens. The biggest concerns with feeding a BARF diet are incomplete or unbalanced nutrition, gastrointestinal obstruction from bones, and infectious diseases. I will focus on infectious diseases that may affect both dogs and humans in the household.

Raw meat can be contaminated by various bacteria, viruses and parasites. A few of the biggest concerns are Salmonella, E. coli and Campylobacter. All of these bacteria can cause severe illness in humans, including vomiting and diarrhea, and can be fatal in some cases. A recent study looked at bacterial contamination of meat sold in grocery stores for human consumption\[1]. Seventy percent of chicken samples were positive for Campylobacter, as well as 14% of turkey, 2% of pork, and 1% of beef samples. Thirteen percent of chicken samples were positive for E. coli, as well as 19% of beef, 16% of pork, and 12% of turkey samples. Three percent of all samples were positive for Salmonella. Remember, these samples were meat for human consumption; meat for animal consumption may have even higher levels of contamination. Some meat for animal consumption has been condemned for human consumption because it is from dead, dying, diseased or disabled animals.

Commercially available BARF diets may also be contaminated. One study, which sampled 78 commercial raw diets, found that 19% were positive for Salmonella and 69% were positive for E. coli\[2]. Even frozen or freeze-dried BARF diets may be contaminated.

Illness of Dogs Fed BARF Diets

Although dogs may be more resistant to bacteria than humans, there have been reports of illness among dogs fed BARF diets. For example, there have been multiple outbreaks of Salmonella in BARF-fed greyhound kennels. Adult dogs show diarrhea while young puppies may have a 40% mortality rate, dying of septicemia (blood infection). Pups may be infected from the dam’s feces or mouth.

Other infectious agents that can cause illness in dogs fed raw meat include botulism toxin, salmon poisoning and toxoplasmosis.

Transmission from Asymptomatic Dogs to People

Bacteria that are ingested by the dog may be passed via the feces. Several studies have shown that up to 50% of dogs eating Salmonella-contaminated food will pass viable organisms in their feces. This represents a source of infection for people who are cleaning up feces, or when the hair coat is contaminated with feces. Children are particularly at risk due to their indiscriminate hygiene. Some proponents of BARF diets argue that normal dogs carry Salmonella in their intestinal tracts; however only 2% of normal dogs shed Salmonella in their feces. Humans in the household can also be exposed to bacteria when handling the raw food, dishes or utensils.

According to the Food and Drug Administration, “FDA does not believe raw meat foods for animals are consistent with the goal of protecting the public from significant health risks, particularly when such products are brought into the home and/or used to feed domestic pets.”\[3]

Spread of Antibiotic Resistance

Feeding raw meat to dogs may contribute to the spread of antibiotic-resistant strains of bacteria. Food animals such as cattle and poultry are frequently treated with antibiotics; this can favor the development of resistant strains, which are then transferred to the dog through ingestion, and then potentially to humans through viable organisms being shed in the feces. These antibiotic resistant strains can complicate treatment of infections. One recent study looked at dogs that were carriers of antibiotic-resistant E. coli,
and found that feeding raw beef was associated with increased resistance to ampicillin and cephalothin, two common first-line antibiotics in veterinary and human medicine.

**Conclusion**

In general, I recommend feeding dogs a national brand, commercial, processed dog food. Pet foods and individual pet food ingredients that are shipped across state lines are regulated by the FDA and, as such, are monitored with respect to contamination by bacteria, drugs, toxins, pesticides and heavy metals.

Most bacterial contamination is on the surface of meat. Therefore, if you want to feed a BARF diet, the potential for contamination can be decreased by feeding whole (not ground) meat and by lightly searing the meat (i.e., feeding the meat rare, not raw). In addition, I would recommend consulting with a veterinary nutritionist to formulate a balanced and complete diet. (See the American College of Veterinary Nutrition at www.acvn.org/index.html.)

I would absolutely not recommend a raw diet if anyone in the home, canine or human, is potentially immunosuppressed. Immunosuppressive conditions include:

- Young children or puppies
- Elderly
- Pregnancy
- Diabetes
- Cushing’s disease (hyperadrenocorticism)
- Splenectomized patients (surgical removal of the spleen)
- Cancer chemotherapy patients
- Organ transplant recipients
- On immunosuppressant medications such as prednisone, azathioprine, cyclophosphamide or cyclosporine (e.g., for allergies or hemolytic anemia)
- HIV
- Feline leukemia or FIV (if there are cats in the home)

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**THE BENEFITS OF FEEDING MY NORFOLKS A BARF DIET**

I have two Norfolk bitches, 6 and 4 years old. Both are conformation champions and also participate in a variety of performance events such as earthdog, tracking and agility. As well as exercising them twice a day, I regularly take my Norfolks hunting, which requires them to be in good shape to keep up with us in the field and to fit into the holes. Unfortunately, like most terriers, mine tend to put on extra weight over the winter months.
Last winter, a number of things happened to make me curious about the raw foods diet—or Biologically Appropriate Raw Food (BARF). I began to hunt my dogs and realized they needed to be in better shape to dig and to be able to fit down very small holes. In agility both bitches were slow and were not jumping all that well. My agility instructor told me to take some weight off the terriers to see if that helped. I also viewed a lecture by Dr. Ian Billinghurst, the major proponent of the raw foods diet for dogs. BARF consists of feeding raw, meaty bones and ground vegetables; no kibble is fed at all. A variety of meats, vegetables, and other foods such as eggs and yogurt are incorporated in the diet. After several weeks of reading and talking to people whose dogs were on this diet, I decided to switch both my terriers.

Within a short period of time, I noticed positive changes. The first noticeable improvement was their stools. They became less in volume, and their smell and firmness were consistently better. The dogs enjoy the meat and especially like to chew on the bones. It now takes them longer to finish a meal, and, unlike their previous kibble diet, they have to chew the bones, which keeps their teeth much cleaner. The vitamins and minerals in the bone marrow also give their coat a shine and have helped to moisten their skin. Before I switched to BARF, I used to notice flakes on their skin, and the dogs were often scratching. Their skin has now cleared up, and there is no more scratching. The biggest change is with their weight. They have each lost more than 2 pounds and their waist has a nice outline now. Muscle tone is good, and they seem to have more energy.

My Norfolks have been on the BARF diet for about a year. Both dogs began this agility season with a bang, earning their novice agility titles in standard and JWW. We have been hunting, and they are able to fit in more holes and turn around more easily in the holes. They also have the stamina to dig and run through the high grass.

The diet does take some time to prepare, but once you have a system, you can make and freeze enough food for a week at a time. Since our terriers are small, it is not necessary to make large amounts of food. To figure out how much to feed, take your dog’s ideal weight and feed him/her 3% of that a day. My dogs eat 1.4 ounces of food twice a day. The ratio of raw, meaty bones to vegetables should be about 60/40. The challenge with our small dogs is to find a variety of raw, meaty bones to feed them. I use chicken necks, turkey necks, pork ribs, lamb ribs, veal and pork necks. Most of these need to be cut smaller. My dogs enjoy all the bones and will use their teeth, front paws and even neck muscles to rip and chew the bones.

If you do not like the idea of your dogs eating raw bones, there are numerous companies such as B.A.R.F. and Bravo that sell rolls of frozen meats with the bone ground in them. You can even buy them with the vegetables added along with organ meats. You can use the frozen food alone or add your own pureed vegetables and make a meatloaf-type food. What has worked well for me is to use a meatloaf-type mix for breakfast. I use one-half of the frozen B.A.R.F. rolls and then in a food processor, I puree vegetables such as spinach, carrots, peppers (not green), cauliflower, broccoli, cabbage, beet, turnip, banana, watermelon, or any other fruit and vegetables on hand at my supermarket’s salad bar. I add the pureed vegetables to the defrosted meat, along with an egg, some bone meal, brewers yeast, garlic, and some ground organ meats. I mix that all up in a large bowl and then measure out 1.4 ounces and put that amount in small Rubbermaid containers to freeze. I make enough for the week and take out two containers a day for their breakfast. I know this sounds like a lot of work, but I can do this in about 15 minutes now.

For dinner I use the bones. I bring home ribs, necks and other meats from the supermarket and cut them into 1.4 ounces, lay them on a cookie sheet, and freeze them for a couple of hours. Then I put the frozen bones in containers and store them in the freezer, taking one out each day for the two dogs. Using the containers makes it easy for someone else to feed the dogs when I am away. The portions are pre-measured, and the dog sitter just has to empty the contents into the dogs’ dinner dishes.

To learn more about this diet and where to buy the frozen meats, go to the B.A.R.F. website at www.barfworld.com. There you can find distributors in your area and literature on the diet. Feel free to contact me if you have any other questions.

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MUSHROOM POISONING: "SADIE" HAD NO CHANCE

One summer Saturday about seven years ago, I came in from a walk and noticed my Norfolk bitch, Pollyanna, lurching about as if she were drunk or about to have a seizure. I rushed her to a local vet, David, about ten minutes away. By the time we got there, Pollyanna was glassy-eyed; her jaws were clenched, her body, rigid. David deduced poison and administered a charcoal emulsion to coat her stomach. Once that was done, he said all he could do was to support her with fluids and wait and see. I went home, only to find another of my Norfolk bitches, Georgia Brown, lying on her side on the back steps, rigid and glassy-eyed, just as Pollyanna had been. I rushed back to the vet, who again administered charcoal. Once again, it was wait and see. In about 36 LONG hours, the news was good. David believed the Norfolks were coming out of their stupor and would emerge unscathed from their encounter with whatever it was.

But what was it? Clearly there was something very toxic in my yard that I wanted to find before my other dogs did. David had mentioned mushrooms as a possible culprit. On Sunday morning, I picked one of every mushroom I could find in my yard and asked a friend, who is a mycologist, to come to the house to look at the array. She identified the culprit in seconds, pointing to one mushroom and saying, "Amanita Muscaria. That's the one!" I remembered picking that mushroom from beneath the canopy of a big Norway spruce. From that morning on, until I moved to a new house, I picked the amanitas from under that tree every summer day before I walked the dogs.

Last September, I moved and fenced a yard for the dogs around my new house. Included in this yard's confines were seven or eight white pine trees, a blue spruce and several black pines. About two weeks after the move, I woke one Saturday to find that my young Norfolk bitch, Sadie, had been sick in her crate and was unwilling to walk with me on the lawn. Her body was stiff; her front legs were propped under her. Thinking Lyme, I gave her an aspirin and some Doxycycline. By noon, she was still quiet, perhaps a bit less stiff, and had no fever. Though I considered it, I did not take her to the vet. The next morning, however, when she was still throwing up, I took her to the local emergency clinic. She had a convulsion in the waiting room, and was still vomiting.

After a brief stay at my regular vet's clinic on Monday, they sent me to a specialist hospital in Tinton Falls, NJ. Things did not look good. Sadie's blood had ceased to clot; Vitamin K had no effect. She continued to vomit, and all the blood tests seemed to indicate that her systems were failing. The doctors kept asking me whether she might have eaten some medicine dislocated in the move, or rat poison in the barn, or....

Sadie died Monday night. The necropsy showed complete failure and disintegration of her internal organs, especially her liver. The next night at choir practice, my mycologist friend overheard me telling someone about the experience. She told me what I had described were the classic signs of mushroom poisoning.

So, how does one prevent such poisonings from happening when toxic mushrooms grow all over the United States? Here is a list of recommended, preventive measures:

- Notice every mushroom that comes up in your lawn in the summer.
- Pick one of each mushroom and take them all to your local poison control center for identification.
• Check every day under every conifer tree (spruce, white pine, etc.) before you let your dogs out and pull up all the mushrooms that may have sprouted during the night.

• Look up *amanitas* (the culprits in both my experiences) on the web and learn as much as possible about these poisonous mushrooms.

While you’re online, you should also look up *Little Brown Mushrooms (LBMs.*) I recently had a long talk with a Norwich owner in Kentucky who lost her young—and only—Norwich female to *LBMs* in November 2005. This woman had waited many years to find a Norwich bitch and was completely devastated by her pet’s horrific death. *LBMs* are called an “ubiquitous species which can rarely be identified by amateurs.” Indeed, there are many poisonous species among these little mushrooms that defy identification.

The definition of a poisonous mushroom is a “mushroom with a ring on its stalk, a sack or cup on the base of its stalk, or a bulb or swelling at the base of its stalk, and warts or scales on its cap.” The books I have read say that one must learn each species, however, as there are significant differences between them. In my case, the *amanita muscaria* was the hallucinogenic mushroom that Pollyanna and Georgia ate. Sadie was killed by either *amanita virosa* (The Angel of Death), *amanita phalloides* or *amanita bisporigera*. There is no known antidote for amanitin poisoning. Whether human or animal, complete liver failure is the cause of certain death. Sadie didn’t have a chance.

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**WHELPING A LITTER USING VETERINARY PERINATAL SPECIALTIES, INC.**

Several years ago I forged an alliance with a whelping service called Whelpwise, now called Veterinary Perinatal Services, Inc. (VPS). I was introduced to this group by another Norfolk breeder who credited them with helping her save some puppies during whelping. She gave me their website (www.whelpwise.com) and after reviewing it, I called (1-888-281-4867) and reserved the equipment for my next litter.

I have used VPS with every litter since introduced to their services several years ago. I have found their services and advice valuable, and credit them with saving many a Norfolk puppy. Even when there are no problems, it is reassuring to have their input. The process is very simple. When you breed your bitch, you reserve your equipment. About 5 days before your bitch’s due date, the equipment arrives. It consists of a hand-held Fetal Heart Rate Doppler, uterine contraction monitoring equipment, instruction book and instruction video, gel, and back-up monitors and equipment.

You monitor your puppies’ heartbeats in the womb using the Fetal Heart Rate Doppler. It is fantastic to hear the heartbeats. You also monitor your bitch’s contractions, starting about 5 days in advance of her due date. You strap a sensor on the bitch and monitor her for an hour, usually twice a day at first, more frequently as the bitch starts having more contractions. The monitor is then inserted into the sending equipment hooked to a telephone line and the results are sent by telephone line to VPS. Once VPS receives the data, a staff member calls you back and discusses the results. VPS staff works with your vet in advance, explaining the process. They ask the vet to prepare a whelping package for you consisting of dopran, oxytocin, and calcium shots carefully measured in several different dosages. VPS always coordinates with your vet before telling you to use the shots, and the vet is kept in the loop, especially if problems develop. VPS is there for you 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. After all, a bitch’s favorite time to whelp is early morning. My girls really favor weekends and any time the vet offices are closed.
For my recent litter, I used progesterone testing to have “Reba” bred, so we were pretty sure she would whelp on Friday. Like clockwork, my Reba’s temperature dropped below 99 degrees on Thursday. I cancelled all appointments and stayed home to monitor her and make ready for puppies. Though she had contractions (mild) according to VPS, no hard labor occurred. Reba seemed to back out on Saturday with no contractions, and she had very few on Sunday. VPS owner, Karen, and I had a long discussion about due dates and the multiple progesterone tests and their results. I was leaning towards Tuesday as Reba’s due date. Karen thought the puppies should have been born on Friday and insisted that I let her listen to the heartbeats over the phone on Monday night. To my surprise and concern, one of the puppy’s heartbeats dropped off sharply while we monitored it. Karen told me to monitor Reba and the heartbeats several times that night. I alerted my vet at 10 PM Monday to the possibility of an emergency C-section and about the heartbeat concern. I detected no more erratic heartbeats that night.

Early Tuesday morning, Reba had a few morning contractions. During a second mid-morning monitoring, there were no contractions. After reporting the results of our 10 AM monitoring to me, Ada (another VPS member) again asked me to allow her to listen to the heartbeats. I had been up all night, had monitored Reba for over 1.5 hours that morning, and she wasn’t having any contractions. I was tired, but I retrieved Reba (I had put her out in the yard for a short time while I was sending the data by phone). While we monitored the heartbeats, one puppy’s heart raced up to 210 beats per minute, dropped down to 160, stopped, and raced up to 190. This was repeated several times.

Now VPS and Reba definitely had my attention! I was wide awake. This puppy was in distress. Reba knew it, VPS staff knew it, and I now knew it. Ada thought we should call my vet and confer with him. I asked her to do that. Within 5 minutes my vet was on the phone, talking to me about what I was seeing. I was seeing nothing, no contractions, but I knew we had a stressing puppy (the VPS instruction manual has details of what a puppy’s heartbeat should be and when it indicates problems). My vet suggested and I decided to have him do a C-section to try to save the puppy. The surgeon was in and would be waiting for me. Reba would be put into the surgery line-up as soon as I arrived.

I quickly dressed and grabbed my ready box (puppy care materials, towels and heating pad, forceps, hot water bottle, scissors, mucus trap). I set Reba’s carry crate on the floor and she ran and jumped into it. Since she ran from her wire crate to the transportation crate, I think Reba knew she needed help. A friend drove me to the vet’s while I watched Reba in the back of the van. Upon arrival at the vet’s (11:30 AM), the vet tech took Reba from me. I asked her to observe where each puppy was positioned and please to let me know. My vet did a spinal block on Reba, removed the puppies, then gave Reba anesthesia and worked on sewing her back up. The puppies were delivered to me in another room; all three of them were crying and moving around. With a spinal block, the puppies get none of the side effects of anesthesia. We went to work on the puppies, drying them and clearing their lungs and stomachs of mucus (the mucus trap is another extra you can order from VPS). All the puppies were strong and very active, crying loudly and walking around blindly in their ready box (now preheated and warm).

Within 30 minutes, my vet and the tech returned Reba to me. She was awake, but groggy. His comment to me was, “What did you breed her to, a Great Dane? Those puppies are huge (two 8 ounces and one 7 ounces)! You were lucky, the horn on the left side was twisted; she would have had to have a C-section and you would have probably lost that puppy. There is no way she was going to have those puppies with her horn twisted up like that.” I didn’t credit luck.

I thanked my vet and the vet surgeon, gathered the babies and Reba, and took everyone home. The litter box had been prepared for days. I put Reba and the puppies in the box, and began to assist the puppies with their first milk. Two puppies were very strong and immediately started nursing. The third, the smallest male (seven ounces), wasn’t nursing. I watched him for an hour, then tube-fed him three cc’s of bitch’s milk, and prayed. After about 30 minutes, he had enough energy to nurse. He was the puppy from the twisted horn.
I stayed close to Reba's head until 9 PM that night. I didn't want her hurting her puppies while she was so groggy. Because I had had limited sleep the previous two nights, my friend came over and sat with Reba the rest of the evening. When I went to relieve her at 4 AM Wednesday, Maggie told me that Reba had decided she was Mom at 1 AM., and that the puppies were all bathed and squeaky clean now. All were nursing and looking very strong, and Reba was full of milk and very content. I sent Maggie home to get some sleep and settled in with the litter. I have a day bed right next to the whelping box where I spent much of the next three to four days. The whelping box is about 3 feet by 4 feet, made of hard plastic, and has nice sturdy pig rails around the entire edge.

I credit the success of this litter to VPS and to my veterinarians and to being prepared. The vets made themselves available all weekend if they were needed. VPS was there monitoring the transmissions and talking to me for a full week prior to whelping. Reba patiently tolerated my monitoring her with the equipment and allowed me to listen to the puppies' heartbeats with the hand-held Doppler. This is a great bonding time for breeder and bitch. My bitches enjoy the attention and none has ever objected to the monitoring of the hearts or the contractions. Without VPS vigilance and knowledge, I could have been in real trouble. I may have lost a puppy or puppies due to the twisted horn.

A week later, the large male puppy started crying and stopped nursing. I immediately took him to my vet. I was told there was little air movement in one of his lungs. We decided to put him in an oxygen box. This can be quickly fashioned out of a cardboard box and plastic from a dry cleaner's, and I seal it with a stretch ace bandage. I rented the oxygen machine that mixes moisture with the oxygen from a local home health care provider. They delivered it to my home in one hour from the time I called. I had made sure that they knew my bitch was having a litter and might need it. I have been down this road before and saved puppies using this method. By 2:30 PM, I had the puppy back at the vet's for antibiotics. He was given constant care, we tube-fed him (he wouldn't nurse), cleaned him, comforted him and stayed by his side caring for all his needs. Little Chuck died at 8:30 the following morning. He was nine days old. The autopsy showed he had been crushed, one side of his ribs was pushed in. Reba had either laid on him or had scratched him. However it happened, he was injured and died. Breeders all know how heartbreaking this is.

The girl, now called Allie, and the small male, Zion, both thrive. They are 4 weeks old and learning to walk. Reba is an attentive mother and has lots of milk. Without VPS and my vets, these two may have become another puppy mortality statistic. The puppies and Reba bring me so much joy just to look at them. Sometimes, I ask myself, is it worth it? All I have to do is pick up a puppy and look into his/her cute little face, and I know...It is, for the love of the Norfolk.

I credit VPS for helping me hear and interpret those things a breeder can't see going on during whelping. I credit my vets for their expertise and willingness to work with VPS. Dr. Gray has told me multiple times, "Tina, I am very impressed with VPS, they really know their business." I agree.

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MULTI-SIRE BREEDING:
AN ADDITIONAL TOOL FOR TODAY’S BREEDER

Multi-sire breeding (breeding a bitch to more than one sire during the same breeding season) offers many alternatives to the breeder.

**Example 1:** You have an older bitch and this is her last potential litter. There are two dogs that match up well with your bitch. You can breed her to both and have the chance to register two different litters.

**Example 2:** You have a bitch you want to breed to an outstanding but unproven dog, but you also want the best chance of getting a litter. You can breed her to the unproven dog and to a proven sire. You lessen the risk of your bitch “missing” and also have a chance for two registered litters.

**Example 3:** You want to breed your bitch to a dog that is deceased but has frozen semen available. However, you don’t want to waste the opportunity for a pregnancy. You know that the chances of getting a bitch pregnant using frozen semen are not as good as you would like. You can have your vet do a surgical implant or TCI (transcervical insemination) using the frozen semen and also use a fresh collection from a live dog and implant it at the same time. A natural breeding could also be done the following day. Again, you increase your chances of a pregnancy with the potential of getting the breeding you really want.

Most Norwich breeders would agree it is a challenge just to get our Norwich bitches pregnant. When you add any additional challenge over and above a natural breeding between two healthy Norwich, the chances of a pregnancy go down. Surgical implants and TCI using frozen or fresh-chilled semen, or using unproven sires, always lessen chances of getting your bitch in whelp. However, now breeders have the option to do an additional breeding during the same season, offering more opportunity for a pregnancy and perhaps the opportunity to have two registered litters.

My husband and I had such a challenge recently. We had a maiden Norwich bitch we wanted to breed to an outstanding, but unproven young male, but we also wanted our bitch to have puppies. My husband boarded an airplane with our bitch in the sherpa bag and took her to the unproven sire. AIs were performed on Tuesday and Thursday. Then he flew home with her, and we did a natural breeding to a proven sire on Friday. Thirty days later, an ultrasound confirmed the bitch was pregnant. Fifty-six days after the last breeding, the bitch was in labor. Three puppy bitches were born.

At this point, DNA testing is required to verify parentage. DNA test kits are available through AKC (test kits are free, but an individual DNA evaluation fee is $40). All potential parents and puppies must complete the DNA swab test. The DNA swabs are then sent to the AKC for evaluation to determine parentage. AKC sends back a DNA evaluation on each dog and determines the parentage of each puppy. Parentage evaluation costs $20 per litter, plus $5 for each additional sire. If there is more than one sire, then you are required to register two litters. This is where the process gets expensive: The fee is $200 to register a multi-sire litter. Then you are required to register each litter separately at a fee of $25 per litter, plus $2.00 for each puppy. In our case, the total cost was $256.00 to register two litters. We ended up with two red puppies from the unproven sire (now proven!) and one black and tan puppy from the proven sire.

There is one important point to note when doing multi-sire breedings using a deceased dog’s frozen semen. Unless the deceased dog has DNA on file, some of his frozen semen will need to be used for DNA evaluation. This is just one more added expense and complication.

Although multi-sire breeding does offer many alternatives to the breeder, it is a complicated and expensive procedure. I do suggest thoughtful consideration be taken to weigh the pros and cons before undertaking this useful tool. With all the health testing, stud fees, breeding costs, and veterinary procedures such as ultrasounds, x-rays and c-sections, breeding Norwich is already complicated and expensive. However, the rewards can be worth it!

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MY KATRINA DIARY

The following is the story of how "Kirby" Evans, a 6 year old Norwich Terrier, dealt with Hurricane Katrina. Kirby lives with his two Norwich sisters in Metairie, Louisiana, about one mile from the New Orleans city line.

I don't know who "Katrina" is, but last summer she sure made my parents, Patti and Jim Evans, exhibit some very strange behaviors. I've spent six years training them, so I was not going to give in to this Katrina. I could tell things were changing fast, so I enlisted the help of my sisters (not an easy task) to document my story. This is my diary.

August 27:
Things never changed in my perfect life. As usual, I was up at 6:30 today and my breakfast, including my daily supplements, was served at 7:00. I knew it was agility day because Mom put on her baseball cap, a sure giveaway. So with water, treats and other stuff, we headed to the agility yard.

Yup, I run my life like a well-oiled machine. Every Saturday I get to meet my pals for agility: a few weaves and jumps and bingo! Treats! Jewel (my Norwich gal) and I always do laps around the yard after class. It’s great fun until that pushy Dalmatian joins us and gets in my face.

But today when class was dismissed, something changed. Instead of my normal running, smelling and general getting into trouble, I was tied up and Mom started carrying our equipment away. What's with that?

Mom served us supper at 4:30 and we finished it by 4:31, as usual. She seemed angry because she didn't talk to us or ask us to sit. Maybe my sister, Hazel, spilled the bottled water again. Mom always tells us that stuff isn't cheap and to be more careful.

After dinner, I wanted to play, but Mom and Dad ignored me and were gathering things together. They even moved my favorite chair and other stuff upstairs. I thought we were going to a trial 'cause all my "road trip" bags were out. But the van was stuffed with non-dog things, including Mom's stupid dove, Daphne! She's never even been in a car! I wanna see them potty her at roadside rests!

August 28:
I love road trips, but this one was weird. At 3:00A.M., Dad kept changing radio stations and Mom called people to wake them. The headlights of all the cars blinded me and that brain-dead dove sat in Mom's lap. Hey, whatever happened to the "no kennel, no car rides" rule, Mom?

August 30:
I'm not at an agility trial, but my aunt's house in Dallas, Texas is pretty cool: lots of windows and good walking trails. My parents' voices still sound tense and they keep watching TV. Mom was relieved to hear that all my furry friends and their families got out of the New Orleans area quickly and safely. My pals handled the travel well and settled into temporary homes with no problem. Mom said it helps that we're all used to traveling and that our moms keep our traveling gear packed and ready to go. Our Mississippi Norwich buddies are ok too.
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I can't say the same thing for some of our homes. My friend Belle's house is ok, but it's surrounded by water so she can't go home. Carly, the Corgi, used to live next to a big wall, but the wall broke so she can't go home for a long time. My three best Norwich friends were ok in a motel, but Katrina went there too so now they are joining us in Dallas. But I've got my NBones, toys and friends on the way, so lighten up, Mom and Dad. What they should be worried about is my Westie cousin. Yeah, he's cute, but he steals my toys and gets in my face. I hate that! This geek also lets his food sit all day! That's not normal! And get this...he never gets his teeth brushed or his coat stripped!

August 31:

Well, the good news is my Norwich buddies are here and we had a great time. The bad news is that their Mom packed the grooming table and now we're getting stripped. Like I said, some things never change! I think my Westie cousin is laughing at us.

September 16:

Although we followed Mom everywhere, she slipped away for a week and went to Gonzales, LA. I used to go there for dog shows, but she went there to take care of lost dogs. She came home today looking tired and sad and said that people worked very hard in bad conditions to help the animals. She heard that as many as 5000 animals passed through there and that the daily tally reached as high as 1400. Mom said it appeared many dogs were in rough shape before the storm and it was possible this was the best care they had ever had. Mom was solely responsible for as many as 70 dogs, 90% of which were Pit Bulls. It frustrated Mom that every male in her care was intact. It made me jealous (ah, the good old days!). I convinced Mom that she'd feel better if she took me for a walk. I like to help whenever I can.

October 1:

Even though our house was ok, our neighborhood flooded and we couldn't go home. So my family moved to the Chesapeake Bay area in Maryland. It was a long ride getting here, but lots of fun. My favorite state was Virginia because rest areas had dog walking trails. That's where a chipmunk learned that Norwich can go under logs too! I think he'll remember us for a while. And Daphne actually learned she can sun herself at rest areas. Maybe she's not so dumb after all. Dad tried to understand why Mom successfully trained us not to bark in motels but can't do the same at home. I don't think Mom was able to explain that.

October 22:

Tomorrow we start driving home. I like Maryland a lot. Our yard has woods on one side and water on the other so there is always something to do or see. I wanted to run free like all the other country dogs, but Mom wouldn't even discuss that. Our "leashed" walks in the woods always end with grooming sessions. Mom said she was checking for ticks, but it felt like a massage to me! I learned three important lessons here: Bambi and his family might trample me when I spook them, always walk carefully on boat docks, and crabs are mean.

October 24:

I'm home in New Orleans and it's strange. It smells yucky and makes me sneeze. Houses everywhere have blue tarps, but nobody lives in them. The loud trucks and helicopters startle me. My pesky squirrels are around, but there are no neighborhood dogs barking at them. Only Diva, a Boston Terrier, is home, but she might go away so she can breathe better. Tree limbs cover my backyard. And we can't take our usual long walks 'cause Mom won't walk us where it flooded. When we do walk, strangers keep stopping and making a fuss over us. Mom says it's because we remind them of life before Katrina. I heard there are still lots of homeless dogs running in packs, so I stay alert during walks. The pet stores are closed, but luckily, we bought lots of Innova kibble in Maryland. Dad left town to work and put me in charge of security, so I practice my bark everyday! I'd use it to scare the mailman, but he doesn't come much anymore. Mom has to drive far away to shop, and I don't like being left alone that long. And then today, Mom said
we need grooming, but we’ll have to wait for a few months because she doesn’t have time! I guess I was wrong...maybe things WILL change in my perfect life.

December 31:
Almost all my friends are back in town now and agility classes will start again soon. We still don’t take our regular route for walks, but I have gotten to see some new streets. Mom says life will never be the same. I hope she’s wrong.

—“Kirby” Evans, Metairie, LA

MY LITTLE “HELPERS”

Back row (l. to r.): Hazel, Scarlet and Marley; Front row (l. to r.): Kirby, Jewel and Chloe

This charming group portrait shows the six Norwich belonging to Patti Evans and NNCTC member Marcia Frank, both of whom reside in Metairie, LA, just outside New Orleans. Marcia’s three Norwich were visiting Patti’s trio one day while Patti was clearing debris from Hurricane Katrina from her backyard. The Norwich all decided she needed their “help” and kept getting underfoot. Patti had just dumped dead plants from the flower pots and, after failing to dissuade her “helpers,” decided to give them something to do—pretend to be flowers. She stuck each Norwich in a pot and ran inside to get her camera. Except for Kirby and Jewel (who wanted to run some more), the other Norwich thought being flowers was great fun. They stayed put in their pots, smiling, while Patti took about 8 pictures. “Then a squirrel came, and you can imagine the rest.”

—Patti Evans
GENERAL INTEREST

THE SEARCH FOR A NORWICH TERRIER

In January 2002, my family and I happened upon a dog show at an Outlet Mall in Wentzville, Missouri. It had been many years since I had been to a dog show. This was the first show for my children, and they were fascinated by the many different breeds that were there. They were partial to the Cairn Terrier since we currently owned a 15-year-old Cairn bitch. She was a wonderful pet, but was showing her age. She was a poor quality Cairn and had many health problems, but we loved her anyway. She was part of the family and lived in the house with us.

We had been contemplating another dog for some time and were considering another Cairn. My husband knew I had always wanted a Norwich Terrier, and it so happened that there were a few entered in the show. After one look at the Norwich, my decision was made. I was determined to obtain a dog from a reputable breeder this time instead of from an ad in the paper. Now came the hard part—finding a Norwich breeder.

We had obtained the name of a Norwich breeder in St. Louis, so we looked her up in the phone book and gave her a call. She was a wonderful lady and very pleasant to speak with concerning Norwich Terriers. However, she only bred occasionally and did not know when she would have any puppies available. I began searching the Internet for any information regarding a Norwich. I found a few websites. One was another local breeder, so I gave him a call. He had a male puppy available if the pup survived; but we wanted a female, so I continued my search.

In late January 2002, I came across a website advertising show quality Norwich Terriers. The kennel was supposedly located in Nauvo, IL, about three hours from me. Having read many articles on how to obtain a show quality Norwich, I was determined to obtain one from a reputable breeder. I contacted the person via email and asked if he could send me pictures of the puppies, sire, and dam. He did not have any pictures of the dam. I thought that was strange, but I did receive pictures of the sire and puppies. Having never seen a litter of Norwich puppies, I was not sure about the pictures. I had never seen a red Cairn Terrier, but I was not overly suspicious. The sire was very nice looking, and since I didn’t expect my first Norwich puppy to be an excellent show prospect, I was excited.

My husband called the kennel owner and asked him many questions. The kennel owner was very nice and pleasant on the phone, and there were no complaints about him with Better Business Bureau. My husband was ready to purchase a puppy. However, I wanted to see the puppies and meet the kennel owner before I committed to the purchase.

Knowing how much I wanted a Norwich puppy, my husband decided to surprise me. The kennel owner contacted him one day to say that his secretary was coming to St. Louis to pick up a puppy at the airport. He asked if we were still interested in a puppy. If so, he could send the puppy with his secretary. The next thing I know, I get a call from my husband. He had purchased a puppy and was going to pick her up that day. I was not happy about the circumstances, and even informed my husband not to be surprised if the puppy didn’t turn out as expected.

The registration papers were supposed to be delivered when the puppy was picked up, but they were not there. We were told they would be sent to us in the mail. The puppy was only nine weeks old. Both of these instances made me suspicious, as they were contrary to everything I had read about reputable breeders.

A month went by and the puppy, named Brandi, grew. She did not look like the Norwich I had seen at the shows, but I told myself that she was just really poor quality. As the weeks went by, I started thinking that Brandi was looking and acting more like our Cairn Terrier when she was a puppy. The registration papers still had not arrived. The kennel owner told us that the puppy was an import and that the foreign registration papers were taking longer than expected. I wanted to have Brandi evaluated by some reputable Norwich breeders, so I contacted the St. Louis breeders and arranged to meet them at a dog show at Purina Farms in May 2002.

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By now it was April, and the registration papers still had not arrived. While searching the Internet, I came across the website for the Norwich and Norfolk Terrier Club. I looked at the photos on the website and found the same picture of the Norwich who was supposedly Brandi’s sire. I contacted the NNTC webmaster to ask who owned that dog and if I could contact him/her. The owner was Carol Jordan and the picture was of her stud dog, Ch. Norweim’s Mickey Dazzler. After Carol emailed me her phone number, I called to ask about Mickey being my puppy’s sire. I told Carol everything about Brandi and even sent her pictures. Carol told me that Mickey had not sired any puppies from Illinois and that she was not aware of any that had been placed in Illinois either. Carol was extremely nice to me even though I’m sure she thought I was a “kook.”

When I confronted the kennel owner with this information about Brandi’s supposed sire, he said he must have sent the wrong picture. I asked him again about the registration papers. He said they were in the mail. I was frustrated at this point and informed him that I was sure he had sold me a Cairn Terrier instead of a Norwich. He offered to refund my money if I returned the dog. He knew that probably would not happen since our family had grown attached to Brandi.

Now it was May. There were still no registration papers. Brandi was looking and acting more like our Cairn Terrier everyday. I went to the dog show at Purina Farms and had Brandi evaluated by some Norwich breeders. They were very nice, but never did tell me they thought Brandi was a Cairn. I also had some Cairn breeders look at her. They did tell me that Brandi was definitely either a purebred Cairn or a Cairn mix. This confirmed my suspicions.

I contacted the kennel owner and asked for a refund, telling him that I would pay him for a mediocre Cairn Terrier. We wanted to keep her as a pet. We could not show her because her tail had already been docked when she was delivered to us at nine weeks of age. The kennel owner refused, and again offered me a full refund if I returned the dog. He never would admit that he had sold us a Cairn Terrier as a Norwich Terrier.

I was angry now and determined to try everything I could think of to get at least a partial refund. I contacted the parent club of the Norwich and Norfolk Terrier, but was told it was in their best interest not to get involved due to concerns about a lawsuit. I contacted the AKC and was told they would not do anything, even though it was a misrepresentation issue. I contacted the Better Business Bureau. They only act as a mediator, and again I was offered a full refund if I returned the dog. At this point, I was extremely frustrated. I knew it was a waste of time to take the kennel owner to court, since he had offered a full refund if I returned the dog. I also knew it would have probably cost me more than what I had paid for Brandi.

I had a few more options to try before I gave up. I emailed the local television stations, told them my story, and asked if they would consider airing the story. I didn’t think the television stations would be interested in a dog story, so I never expected a response. To my surprise, after a few weeks had passed, one station called to say they wanted to interview me. I immediately scheduled an appointment.

Persons from the television station came to my house to interview me and took pictures of Brandi. They contacted the kennel owner for his comments. He said that whatever I had told them was a lie. By now he was mad and was tired of dealing with me. He called and told me no one had ever gone to such lengths with him about a dog before. He said he would send a cashier’s check for a full refund and I could keep the dog, provided I never bothered him again or “slammed” his name among any Norwich breeders. I agreed and had to state this in a letter to him. I knew this would not be a problem for me since his name was already “dirt” amongst Norwich breeders.

A few days later, the post office informed me that I had a certified letter. To my surprise, it was a cashier’s check for a full refund! My perseverance had paid off, but it had been very stressful. Later that day, I received a threatening phone call from the kennel owner. Evidently, the television station had contacted him again to get his side of the story. I had been told at the time of the interview that it was out of my hands as to whether or not the story aired. He obviously had thought the story wouldn’t be broadcast if he refunded my money. He was angry and said I had to do whatever was needed to cancel the story. I told him that it was out of my hands and that it never would have gotten to this point if he hadn’t sold me a Cairn Terrier with a docked tail. He never did admit that Brandi was a Cairn Terrier and not a Norwich.
Brandi's story aired a number of times that weekend and throughout the following week. My name was "mud" to many Norwich breeders who did not know me. They told me I should have taken my time to find a reputable Norwich breeder rather than rush to buy a puppy from an unknown person advertising on the Internet... I was embarrassed, ashamed, and outright mad that people like him were misleading honest, nice people like me. However, I did have the satisfaction of knowing that my perseverance may have saved others from experiencing the heartache and aggravation I had gone through. Unfortunately, the kennel owner is still on the Internet selling Cairns with docked tails as Norwich. The Internet can be a wonderful research tool, but you must be careful!

There is a positive side to this story. I met many nice Norwich breeders because of this experience and was shown the basics of how to groom. I became friends with Carol Jordan and from her I received my first Norwich, Duncan, whom I finished last year. (Ed.: Duncan's dam is, ironically, the litter sister of Ch. Norweim's Mickey Dazzler!). Since then, I have made many more friends in the breed, have joined the NNTC, and have come to realize how truly special the Norwich Terrier is to all who love them.

—Denise Faulkner, St. Charles, MO
(denisef@charter.net)

AKC ADOPTS NEW DNA REQUIREMENT FOR IMPORTED DOGS INTENDED FOR BREEDING

In a press release dated October 27, 2005, the AKC announced that any imported dog or bitch registered with the AKC on or after March 1, 2006 will be required to have an AKC DNA profile prior to registering their first litter whelped in the United States. This policy will require any imported dogs or bitches that sire or produce an AKC-registered litter to have an AKC DNA profile on file before their litter applications will be accepted into the AKC registry. However, from March 1-May 1, 2006, there will be a limited phase-in period. During this time, AKC will register affected litters without delay and notify the owner of the new requirement. This requirement does not affect any foreign dogs registered with the AKC before March 1, 2006.

NNTC AKC Legislative Liaison and long-time Norwich breeder Carol Suggs comments on this new AKC policy:

Of course, this is a step in the right direction. Anything the AKC does to control the integrity of its Registry is a help. But this is far from what is needed. What is needed is a breed-specific DNA test. What difference does it make who the sire and dam of a litter are, if that sire and dam are not purebred to begin with? In the Spring of 2005, the NNTC sent DNA samples of both Norwich and Norfolk Terriers to the Canine Genome Project. With the growing number of imports from eastern European countries and Russia, coupled with the puppy mills in this country producing Cairn/Norwich mixes, etc., that are being registered with the AKC, it is imperative that we have a tool to identify non-purebred Norwich.

We are still waiting for a Norwich and a Norfolk test from the Canine Genome Project and for a breed-specific test to become commercially available. The AKC's core reason for being is its Registry and the integrity of that Registry. Breed-specific DNA is a project the AKC needs to get behind, but thus far has not.

—Carol Suggs, Half-A-Bob Norwich, Freeport, IL
(halfabob@aeroinc.net)
I'd like my filet mignon rare, please.

Dinner for five

Life's short; eat dessert first.

Mmm boy! I smell our chicken cooking.

I just heard the dinner bell!

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A NOTE ABOUT THE 2005 TEXAS SPECIALTY NORWICH CRITIQUE

Due to her busier-than-ever 2005 judging schedule and to a myriad of other demands on her time, Michele Billings called in late January (on the eve of her departure for a judging assignment in Chile) to say she was terribly sorry, but she simply would not be able to send a critique of the Norwich she judged at the July 2005 NNCTC Roving National Specialty in San Antonio. She also said that she would want to write a frank assessment of the Norwich, pointing out both strengths and weaknesses, and that now, more than six months after the Specialty, she really did not remember the dogs well enough to write a meaningful critique.—AGF

2006 NNCTC SHOW CALENDAR
Still-to-come Supported Entries and Montgomery Specialty

Supported Entries

- **March 17**: Terrier Club of Michigan (Cobo Convention Hall, Detroit)
  Carolyn Taylor will judge both breeds.

- **April 14**: Northern California Terrier Association (Sacramento)
  Chris Carter will judge both breeds.

- **May 5**: Garden State All Terrier Club, Inc. (Mercer County Park, West Windsor Twp., NJ)
  NNCTC member and Norwich breeder (“Dreamweaver”) Al Ferruggiaro will judge both breeds. Ken McDermott will judge the Terrier Group.

- **May 20**: Mattaponi Kennel Club (Prince William County Fairgrounds, Manassas, VA)
  Robert E. Clyde will judge both breeds. The Chesapeake NNCTC will once again host a BOUNTIFUL buffet luncheon (indoors) following breed judging.

- **June 3**: Ladies Kennel Club (MA)
  Betty-Anne Stenmark will judge both breeds.

- **June 4**: Framingham Kennel Club (MA)
  Norman Kenny will judge both breeds. Both these all-breed points shows in Massachusetts are on the same weekend (June 2-4) as the 2006 NNCTC Match Show & Performance Events gala at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Warwick, RI.

- **June 23 and 24**: Great Western Terrier Association (Long Beach, CA)
  Joan Graber will judge both breeds at the June 23 GWTA. Edd Bivin will judge both breeds at the June 24 show.
NNTC National Specialty

MONTGOMERY COUNTY KENNEL CLUB
(BLUE BELL, PA)

OCTOBER 8

Sweeps judges:
Norfolk—Lorenzo Mosby ("Antics" Norwich and Norfolk)
Norwich—Carol Jordan ("Norweim" Norwich)

Breed judges:
Norfolk—Joe Franchi ("Franaro" Norfolk)
Norwich—Desmond J. Murphy

Looking ahead to 2007, the NNTC show committee would like to thank all the club members who answered our request for suggested judges. The response for both breeds was excellent. The following judges are pending for the 2007 Specialties:

- **June 2007: Great Western Terrier Association**
  (NNTC Roving National Specialty, Long Beach, CA)
  Norfolk—Dr. Andrew Kramer ("Mercator" Norfolk); Norwich—Peggy Hogg

- **October 2007: Montgomery County Kennel Club**
  (NNTC National Specialty, Blue Bell, PA)
  Norfolk—Norman Patton; Norwich—Barbara Pessina ("Moonshadow" Norwich)

—Ann Dum, NNTC Show Chair (nrfolkterrier@yahoo.com)
Sally Baugniet (Norfolk) and Tina Dennis (Norwich), Vice-Chairs
Robert Lachman, supported entry coordinator

NOR CAL NNTC SANCTIONED A-MATCH

The members of the Nor Cal NNTC (NCNNTC), formerly called the Pacific Area Norwich & Norfolk Terrier Club, are pleased to announce that our club has been approved to hold its first Sanctioned A-Match. The Match will take place following Best in Show judging at the Thursday, April 13, 2006 Northern California Terrier Association (NCTA) show in Sacramento. The NCNNNTC will support the Norwich and Norfolk entry at this show, and the NNTC will support the entry of both breeds at the Friday, April 14, 2006 NCTA show. For more information about the A-Match, please contact NCNNNTC President and Match Show Secretary Sylvia Jerram at 1-707-295-7521.

—Sylvia Jerram, Lower Lake, CA (pannt@saber.net)
NNTC Norfolk breeders (l. to r.) Louise Leone, Betsey Bliss, Carol Falk, & Joan Church

NNTC members (l. to r.) Jean Kessler, Ami Hooper & Pat Mason

NNTC Norfolk breeders (l. to r.) Toni Harrold, Tony Sweany & Mary Jo Sweany

Overseas NNTC members (l. to r.) Liz Hindley, Yvonne Barendregt-Willis & Eileen Needham enjoying a sunny day (!) at Morris & Essex

NNTC members (l. to r.) Lee Little, Joe Franchi, Heidi Evans, Betty Bossio & Ami Hooper

All photos by Barbara Miller
NORFOLK AT MORRIS & ESSEX AND HATBoro 2005

If you own or exhibit a terrier, no doubt you look forward to Montgomery County weekend. There is such excitement in the air for weeks prior to the show. As I live on the east coast, friends from other areas phone to inquire about the weather. No matter what the weather man says, I always advise them to bring all sorts of clothing for all sorts of weather. This year I had a houseguest from England, Eileen Needham of Titanium Norwich and Norfolk, and one from Holland, Norwich breeder Yvonne Barendregt-Willis ("Wybar"). The car was packed to full capacity as we made our way to LaGuardia airport to collect Louise Leone and a Norfolk Terrier. The day and the drive were quite nice, with none of us believing the weather would be anything but gorgeous. The weather reports told us something different.

The NNCTC host hotel was in Fort Washington, PA directly off the Pennsylvania Turnpike. We all checked in, then Louise and I went to the NNCTC Board meeting. It was a good meeting, not requiring a break since we ordered dinner served in the meeting room. Jean, thanks for those delicious chocolate wafers.

The following morning, Thursday, October 6, those of us attending the Morris and Essex show drove to Somerset, NJ and Colonial Park, the new venue. As a member of M & E, I was asked to sell catalogs beginning at 7:00 AM. There's nothing like getting to a show site while it is still dark. "Take the Lead" offered a complimentary breakfast of coffee, Danish, and fresh fruit. Take the Lead is an excellent organization that helps those in financial need within the fancy. Catalog sales went well as I was a bit persuasive. M & E offered a box lunch for every exhibitor. Now that's a nice touch! The day was pleasant until Group judging, when we had a few raindrops.

NNCTC member and former Norfolk breeder, Tom Natalini, was the judge of the day at Morris and Essex. He had an entry of thirty, one absent, in the classes. I neglected to mark the absentees, if any, in the Best of Breed competition. Max-Well's Cool Water, sired by Ch. Nanfan Canter out of Ch. Max-Well's Windsong II, went Winners Dog under the leadership of Susan Kipp for a three-point major. "Walter" was bred and is owned by Kipp and Barbara Miller. The RWD ribbon was awarded to handler Beth Sweigart's Cause for Celebration, who is sired by Ch. Red Cherubim's Summer Star out of Ch. Cracknorn Cause Celebre (the much-heralded "Coco"). Mr. Natalini awarded Winners Bitch/Best of Winners to Max-Well's Jade, shown by junior handler Dylan Kipp for a three-point major. Jade's sire is Ch. Max-Well's Comet; her dam, Ch. Max-Well's Real Gem, who was Winners Bitch/Best of Winners on this same weekend a few years ago. Susan and Dylan Kipp bred Jade, and she is in co-ownership with Barbara Miller. Both the Winners Dog and the Winners Bitch came from the Bred by Exhibitor class. The RWB ribbon went to Max-Well's Miss Kitty, bred and owned by Barbara Miller and Susan Kipp. Ch. Max-Well's Venus was Best of Breed. Ch. Max-Well's Red Devil is her sire and Ch. Max-Well's Hailstorm, her dam. Venus is bred and owned by her usual handler, Susan Kipp, and Barbara Miller. The Best of Opposite Sex ribbon was awarded to the Larry Cornelius-handled Ch. Domby's Gabriel Varden, bred by Wayne Palmer and Tony Gabrielli. His breeders are in co-ownership with Bobby and Ann Thomas. Under judge Walter Goodman, Venus earned a Terrier Group II behind the colored Bull Terrier who was ultimately Best in Show.

Norfolk judging at Friday's Harbordog Club began at 8:00 A.M., which meant we had to be on the road way before dawn. It had rained all night and the day didn't look much better, but fortunately the Norwich and Norfolk rings were indoors. Mr. Edd Binvin judged an entry of forty with ten absent, including the Morris and Essex Winners Dog. Mr. Binvin selected the Beth Sweigart owner-handled Cause for Celebration, bred by and in co-ownership with Pam Beale, Elisabeth Matell and Stephanie Ingram, as his Winners Dog/Best of Winners for a 3-point major. Larry Cornelius showed Gail Owens' homebred, Deerwalk's Storm Chaser, to the RWD ribbon. Ch. Domby's Gabriel Varden is the sire, and the dam is Ch. Bancroft's Wild Irish Rose. Ch. Max-Well's Comet sired the Winners Bitch, Max-Well's Miss Kitty, handled for a three-point major by Susie Kipp. Ch. Max-Well's Snaffle Bit is her dam. Mayfair Lady Grace, bred and owned by Kathy Eimil and in co-ownership with Sarah McGowen, was Mr. Binvin's choice for the RWW ribbon. "Gracie" is sired by Ch. The Duke of Copperplate, a Best in Show winner at Montgomery in 1999, and out of Ch. Trafalgar's English Miss. Gloria and Robert Hancock breed Ch. Fox Hill's The Piano Man, exhibited by Shari Carusi, who took home the Best of Opposite Sex ribbon. Piano Man is co-owned by Valerie Kippeny and Gloria Hancock.
Ch. All That Jazz of Whitehall is his sire, and his dam is Ch. Fox Hill's Zoey of Shadra. Ch. Max-Well's Venus did it again, taking home the Best of Breed ribbon with Susie Kipp at the end of the lead. Mr. Bivin gave Awards of Merit to the following: Ch. Wintersky's Radar at Max-Well, Ch. Yarrow's Venerie Vocalist, Ch. Final Lea Big Ticket Item, and Ch. Domby's Gabriel Varden. Later in the day, Terrier Group judge Ken Kauffman gave Venus a Group Two to the Airedale who went on to win Best in Show.

Friday evening, the NNTC held its annual meeting at the host hotel, followed by dinner. Bambi Holly set up the Notions table for the members. Our "store" will soon be on the club's website for purchases online. At the members' meeting, we discussed the June 2-4, 2006 NNTC Match and Performance Events weekend in Warwick, Rhode Island. Joe Franchi is the Match Show chairman and Jean Kessler, the Hospitality chair. Marjorie McTernan gave the NNTC Treasurer's report, and members also discussed the problem of "Norwich", who are really docked Cairns or Cairn mixes, infiltrating our breed. Carol Suggs has been working diligently on this matter, but if the AKC accepts foreign registries (and these dogs are from foreign countries such as Poland and Hungary), it seems, alas, that these "Norwich" now registered with the AKC will be accepted as purebred Norwich. I'm pleading with you to direct those inquiring about our breeds to the NNTC website and NNTC breeders! With lots to bid on, we had a silent auction, enabling members to place their bids during dinner. Two of our members, both well-known artists, generously offered original paintings—Constance Coleman, a Norfolk, and Meredith Dwyer, a Norwich—for our live auction. Rink Reyners was the night's auctioneer and did a great job. The club did quite well, taking in over $4000. Thanks to all who donated items to the auction.

Norfolks were scheduled for early judging at Devon on Saturday, but while many of us were eating breakfast, Susan Kipp called to say that the Devon show had been cancelled due to heavy rain. It had poured all night and was still raining in the morning, so Devon's grounds were soaked! I heard that a goodly number of vehicles were stuck in the mud there.

Sunday was the day we'd all been waiting for, Montgomery. This year the show committee had to contend with not only a new venue, but also muddy grounds. This new venue seemed to drain better than the Ambler site. There was mud, and plenty of it, but it was mostly between rings and on the perimeter of the grounds. Lanny Hirstein, the new Grounds Chair, saw to it that an abundance of straw was available for the muddiest areas. The breed and Best in Show rings were small, but I am sure the Montgomery committee will be considering this for next year. I still haven't decided if I liked the long, and I do mean LONG, tent. Possibly I just wasn't used to it. All the rings jutted out from both sides of this one tent, allowing for a portion of each ring to actually be under the tent. This was a good idea, especially in terrible weather. Jean Kessler, our Hospitality chair, set up her pop-up tent not too far from the Norwich and Norfolk rings. Her helpers, Bambi Holly and Pat Mason, placed all sorts of cakes and donuts on the table, along with most-welcome hot coffee. Marjorie McTernan was at her usual place, the Overseas Lounge, offering coffee and Danish to the foreign spectators.

Susan Sprung, wife of the president of the AKC, and John Mandeville were the stewards in the Norfolk ring. Both have been in the fancy forever. NNTC Trophy Chair Sue Lawrence did a superb job of getting both Norfolk and Norwich trophy tables ready. Thanks must go both to Sue and to Henrietta Lachman for tending to the table in the Norfolk ring.

NNTC member Lori Pelletier, our Sweepstakes judge, had an entry of sixteen with six absent. Lori is well known in both Norfolk and Norwich rings as a breeder-owner ("Avalon") and a handler. Sweeps results are posted on page 43 of this issue. NNTC member and Norwich breeder Joan Kefeli ("Dunbar") was the club's selection to judge the Norwich regular classes. Joan had an entry of sixty-five with twelve absentees. Her judge's critique on page 44 highlights the Norwich winners. The Parade of Champions was held after the breed judging. The oldest in the Parade was Ch. Max-Well's Weatherman (Storm), now thirteen. Venus made the cut in the big ring at day's end under United Kingdom judge, Mrs. Ferelith Somerfield.

Montgomery came to an end, and we all said farewell for another year. Eileen, Louise, Yvonne and I werestarved. We packed the chairs and two more dogs, Storm and Cyclone, into the car and headed for the Pennsylvania Turnpike. The fried chicken at the Roy Rogers was delicious. See you at the next show.

—Barbara Miller, Max-Well Norfolks, Old Brookville, NY
NORWICH AT MORRIS & ESSEX AND HATBORO 2005

Seventy Norwich were among the 3,194 dogs entered at the second Morris & Essex KC show on October 6th, kicking off the Montgomery circuit. Colonial Park in Somerset, New Jersey is a new site for the Morris and Essex KC, which holds its show every five years. M & E members went all out to accommodate exhibitors. The ambiance was lovely, with extensive tenting, flowers, and vintage costumes. There were 36 shuttle carts to help ferry the estimated 5,000 people who converged on the scene. Probably the nicest amenity for exhibitors was the central generator, which provided quiet power and obviated the need for individual generators and shouting over the usual din.

Norwich judge Robert M. Forsyth actually had 41 class entries, as there were 12 absentees. An additional fifteen top Norwich from all over the country were on hand for Best of Breed. Results are as follows:

- **Winners Dog, Best of Winners, and Best of Breed: Sandina Summer Storm** (Ch. Deansleigh Interceptor x Ch. Sandina Summer Rose). Owner: Judith Metz. Breeder: Glorvina Schwartz.

- **RWD: Fentondale's Little Tiger** (Ch. Deansleigh Interceptor x Ch. Fentondale's Nickelodeon). Owner/Breeder: Katie Knapp.

- **Winners Bitch: Sandina Sweet and Lovely** (Ch. Deansleigh Interceptor x Ch. Sandina Sweet Potato). Owner/Breeder: Glorvina Schwartz.


- **Best of Opposite Sex: Ch. Belfyre's Tuff Cookie** (Ch. Kristil's Royal Conqueror x Ch. SkyScot's Fortune Cookie). Owner/Breeder: Mike & Polly O'Neal.

Norwich entries swelled to 91 for Friday's Hatboro Kennel Club show, held at the Middletown Grange Fair Grounds in Wrightstown, PA. The breakdown for judge George Heitzman was 30-41 (15-4) 1 Veteran Bitch. Fortunately for dogs and fanciers alike, Norwich and Norfolk were judged indoors in one of the Grange buildings, as the skies lowered in the afternoon and the deluge, which washed out Devon, began. Twenty-seven class dogs converged on Ring 17 at 9:30 AM, Judge Heitzman endorsed Morris & Essex judge Robert Forsyth's choice of Sandina Summer Storm for Winners Dog and Best of Winners. Reserve went to tinytowney's Stutz Bearcat (Ch. Devondale's Master Merry Andrew x Ch. Castlehills tinnytowney Knockout), bred and owned by Rich and Dana Esquibel and shown by Rich in the Bred-by class. In bitches, both Winners Bitch and Reserve came from the Bred-by class. Respectively, they were tinytowney's Tempest in a Teapot (Ch. Norbest Take a Chance at JiRo's x Ch. tinytowney's Mini Cooper), bred and owned by Rich and Dana Esquibel, and Sienna's Devil at Heart (Ch. Barnstable Duncan Donut x Ch. Barkwich Stole My Heart), bred and owned by Sofia Scharlock. This was a five point major in daunting Pennsylvania, which requires 32 Norwich bitches to reach that magic number.

Mr. Heitzman next turned to his Specials class. After much deliberation, he chose Ch. Gaylord's Solo Me Oh as Best of Breed. Bred by Larry Adams and David Guempel, Solo is owned by Marie and the late Dennis Cato. His sire and dam are Ch. Titanium's Master Chef and Gaylord's Star Crunch. It was especially nice for Master Chef's breeder, Eileen Needham, who was visiting from the UK, to see one of her dog's offspring do so well. Best of Opposite Sex went to Ch. Dunbar's Autumn Colors (Ch. Dunbar's Frequent Flyer x Ch. Dunbar's True Colors). Bred by Joan Kefeli, Autumn Colors is owned by Marilyn Jacobs.

Seven Awards of Merit were awarded: Ch. Pinelakes Mega Bucks (Ch. Dunbar's Frozen Assets x Ch. Dunbar's Good Luck Charm); tinytowney's Tempest in a Teapot, who was also WB; Ch. Yarrow's Slightly Azure (Ch. Deansleigh Interceptor x Ch. Yarrow's Edel Weiss); Ch. Yarrow's the Hobbit (Ch. Sandina Sandman x Ch. Yarrow's Firefly); Ch. Foxwood Princess Beatrice (Ch. SkyScot's WC Fields x Ch. Foxwood Foxfire) from
the Veteran Bitch class; **Ch. The Islands Brigadier** (Ch. Highwood's Ratfaced MacDougall x Ketka Kelevén's Dutchess); **Ch. Belfyre's Tuff Cookie** (Ch. Kristel's Royal Conqueror x Ch. Sky Scatter's Fortune Cookie).

After the AOMs were announced and the photos taken, the rains began. NNTC members who didn't stay for Groups and Best in Show headed to our new headquarters, the Holiday Inn in Fort Washington, to prepare for the Awards dinner and auction. Switching the dinner to Friday night was inspired. There wasn't the usual Saturday night, pre-Montgomery clock-watching pressure as the auction and dinner wound down. The new hotel is comfortable enough despite a few elevator glitches. Its most salient feature is its proximity to the new Montgomery show site in Blue Bell, PA. Although Devon was cancelled, the Saturday afternoon impromptu seminar with Eileen Needham regarding the tail docking issue was well attended and very enlightening.

Much appreciation is owed to all who worked so hard to make the NNTC Montgomery Specialty a success. There are too many to name individually, but you all deserve our heartfelt thanks. Congratulations to all the winners. Perhaps the Board will institute a new policy: each year's winners will have to chair a committee the following year. There are plenty to go around. How's that for an idea?

—Leandra (Lee) Little, Littlefield Norwich Terriers, Weehawken, NJ (llittle9@earthlink.net)

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**THE 2005 NNTC MONTGOMERY SWEEPSTAKES: NORFOLK AND NORWICH RESULTS**

**Norfolk Terriers**

Judge: Lori Pelletier, "Avalon" Norfolk and Norwich

- **Best in Sweeps: Tintagel's Anticipation** (Ch. Domby's Lord Chesterfield II x Ch. Domby's Madame Mantalini) from the 9-12 months Puppy Bitches class. Breeders/Owners: Dr. Terry and Wanda Lee Litton and Mary Norton-Augustus

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**Best in Sweeps: Tintagel's Anticipation, pictured with Norfolk Sweeps judge/NNTC member Lori Pelletier & co-breed/co-owner Mary Augustus**

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- **BOS in Sweeps: Spring Cove Voyager** (Ch. Cherubim’s Summer Star x Ch. Black Magics Sail Away NAP OJP) from the 12-18 months Junior Dogs class. Breeders: Marian Shaw and Douglas Dobbin. Owner: Celine Joiris

**Norwich Terriers**

Judge: Anna Bellenger, “Devondale” Norwich

- **Best in Sweeps: Janoras Simple Indulgence** (Ch. Janoras The Word Is Out x Ch. Janoras Simply Irresistible) from the 6-9 months Puppy Bitches class. Breeder/Owner: Norma Braun

- **BOS in Sweeps: Cobbys Hidden Treasure** (Waleric Pearly King x Cobbys Hide N’ Seek) from the 9-12 months Puppy Dogs class. Breeder: Renée Sporre-Willes (Sweden). Owner: Wood Wornall

![Best in Sweeps: Janoras Simple Indulgence, pictured with Norwich Sweeps judge/NNTC member Anna Bellenger and breeder/owner Norma Braun](image)

NORFOLK TERRIERS AT MONTGOMERY 2005

(Judge Joan Kefeli’s Critique)

It’s always an honor to judge a National Specialty in any breed, but to have the club membership again ask me to judge the Norwich and Norfolk Terrier Specialty at Montgomery is truly an honor for me. I judged the Norwich breed at the 1996 Montgomery Specialty and now the Norfolk breed at Montgomery 2005. I thank you for having that trust in my ability to judge.

The ring conditions on Montgomery morning left much to be desired. We made it without water wings, and the dogs did their best! There was a little hesitation on the part of some young dogs.
to make the go around, but they became confident with their handler's encouragement. The older entries completely ignored the wet and muddy conditions.

What do I look for in the Norfolk Terrier? I want a strong dog, not soft nor lacking bone. I ideally want a soft-but-with-fire expression and dark eyes; a good mouth with full dentition and correct bite. A pleasing head of correct proportions is the ultimate. It's what's up front that you see first and foremost, and this is what distinguishes the breed. I also want a firm topline, a good going in front, and drive in the rear. I want a dog that is not long in loin, but the length coming from the rib spring. If in correct proportion, the shoulders blend and do not protrude. Never forget the correct size and the correct tip of the ears, as they enhance the dog's expression. To win at the top, a dog must excel in condition and be well groomed. The Norfolk that stands and asks for the win has the correct attitude and disposition. Here are my Norfolk winners:

**Winners Dog and Best of Winners** (from the Open Dog class): **Cause For Celebration** (Ch. Red Cherubim's Summer Star x Ch. Cracknor Cause Celebre). The Open Dog class was the largest and was packed with competitive quality. Cause For Celebration was an outstanding winner in this class and mature for his age. He was "on" and wanted to please his handler. He had balance in head and body with a harsh coat and was a type I just adore.

**RWD** (from the Bred-by-Exhibitor class): **Max-Well's Cool Water** (Ch. Nanfan Canter x Ch. Max-Well's Windsong II). This is a lovely young dog that I am sure we'll hear more about in the future. He is well put together, but was less mature than the WD.

**Winners Bitch** (from the 12-18 Months class): **Max-Well's Miss Kitty** (Ch. Max-Well's Comet x Ch. Max-Well's Snaffle Bit). This bitch knew her way around the ring with her head and tail up. I'm sure she'll be heard about for her winning ways in the near future.

**RWB** (from the 6-9 Months class): **Arroyo's Vanity** (Ch. The Duke of Copperplate x Ch. Arroyo's Diablita). This is a mature and well put together puppy, who was a standout for her outstanding quality.

**Best of Breed** (16 Specials present): **Ch. Max-Well's Venus** (Ch. Max-Well's Red Devil x Ch. Max-Well's Hailstorm). Venus was not to be denied! She was "on" with attitude every second in the ring. She came to win with presence, soundness, outstanding breed qualities and was groomed to the "nines". She and her handler were a delight to behold in the final go round. Handing them the BOB ribbon was a judge's pleasure.

**BOS**: **Ch. Yarrow's Venerie Vocalist** (Ch. Cracknor Casing the Joint x Ch. Yarrow's Venerie Vamp). Vocalist is no stranger to gracing rings as a winner. He is an average-size male with many excellent qualities.

**Awards of Merit** (4): **Strathcona Creates A Buzz**, **Ch. Grand River Newmarket Boots**, **Ch. Copperplate Holiday Joy**, **Ch. Dombly's Gabriel Varden**

I wish to thank the Norfolk owners, breeders and club members for giving me this opportunity to judge your dogs and for entrusting me with your dogs and your breeding programs. I have only good things to say about the quality of Norfolks that you breed and that you presented to me in the ring. My best to all. See you around the rings.

—Joan Schurr Kefeli, “Dunbar” Norwich, Thornville, OH
NORWICH AT MONTGOMERY 2005
(Judge Peggy Beisel-McIlwaine’s Critique)

It is always such an honor to be selected to judge a terrier national and even more so when it is held at prestigious Montgomery County. My first Montgomery was in 1978 and I have not missed one since 1981—and don’t intend to in the future. As a self-proclaimed terrier snob, there is nothing better than the air of Montgomery even when that air is damp and had dumped a ton of water on the grounds the day and night before the show. Somehow, even in the worst of conditions, we true terrier people persevere. Only with the rumors of Montgomery being canceled, as was Devon the previous day, did terrier purists panic. I couldn’t imagine a year without Montgomery County.

I eagerly anticipated my Norwich assignment, just as my now grown children anticipated Christmas morning when they still believed in Santa Claus. In fact I was ready to begin my assignment at 8:00 AM, having misread the program. I apologize to the sweepstakes judge for my early intrusion. Nothing could dampen my enthusiasm except the thought of not having the show. So, even in less than ideal conditions, I enjoyed my assignment immensely.

Thank you to all the NNTC members who selected me as their 2005 Norwich specialty judge. Thank you to all those who entered and to those who exhibited. I nearly fainted when I saw the size of the entry. Thank you to the show chairman and the committee members for all their hard work and arrangements. And thank you to my wonderful ring stewards, who kept things running smoothly and who were so enjoyable to be around.

It is interesting to judge various breeds across the country, to see the strengths and weaknesses in them all. I saw many strengths in the Norwich, which is encouraging. There were also some weaknesses, which as a judge of breeding stock I’ll try to point out in an effort to help breeders make this wonderful breed even better.

After judging the entry at Montgomery, I was very pleased that I had very few oversized exhibits. I found toplines and tail sets to be in very good shape. This is an area in my own breed, Cairns, that is in dire need of work. Norwich toplines were level and tail sets were bang on. I thought the overall balance and proportions to be very consistent. Although movement was difficult to ascertain and in particular side gait, I did find rears to be strong with good drive and with the correct parallel distance between the rear legs. I only observed a few exhibits that were too close behind or a bit hocky. Front action was in general better than I have seen in many breeds. It was encouraging to see so many Norwich with the required forechest and front movement that was true and clean. Of course, there were a few fronts that were stilted and a couple too wide, but generally I was very pleased. Coats in general were of correct texture and in the proper presentation. I saw very few scissor marks, which, as a terrier purist, makes the hair stand up on the back of my neck. A few exhibits had a very odd presentation of the head. I am not sure I understand the purpose of this ‘Westie-ifying’ with too much hair on top of the skull. I strongly discourage this fad.

I found great inconsistencies in head type. I saw too many toyish or Pomeranian-type heads and expressions with small backskulls and fine, narrow and snipey muzzles—all of which detract from the desired Norwich head. These head types were often accompanied by fine bone throughout. I felt many narrow backskulls, and the muzzles were much longer than the desired one-third less which your breed standard suggests. This gave the head a Parson-type look. Some heads even had an Aussie look, with a long pointed muzzle, while others had a cat-type look. The head of any breed is an important factor in overall breed type. Someone should be able to discern which breed they are looking at by just seeing the head.

Another area that surprised me was the length of loin. A Norwich requires deep well-sprung ribs with a short loin. Too many had short rib cages and long loins.
While I was impressed by the size of the teeth and overall bites, there were still many exhibits missing 1-3 incisors. It is obvious, however, that bites are improving and I commend the breeders on this.

I knew when the first class entered ring #12 that I was going to have an enjoyable assignment. The quality in the puppies was deep. My 12-18 months dog, Sandina Summer Storm (Ch. Deansleigh Interceptor x Ch. Sandina Summer Rose), was my WD and BOW. He had beautiful balance, a lovely head with a broad skull, and a strong muzzle with a wonderful set of big, white teeth which met in the desired scissor bite. His expression made it clear he was all Norwich. His movement was flawless and he traveled around the ring efficiently and with ease. He challenged the breed winner, but lacked that polish he will surely get with a little maturity. My Bred-by-Exhibitor dog class was very consistent, with all exhibits having good bone and correct balance. It was a very enjoyable class to judge. My RWD, Littlefield Ruff Tuned (Ch. Chestnut Hills Royal Blue x Ch. Littlefield Keri On Regardless), came from this class. He was very sound; WD had the advantage in coat on this day.

My 6-9 months puppy bitch winner, Janoras Simple Indulgence (Ch. Janoras The Word Is Out x Ch. Janoras Simply Irresistible), took my eye immediately when she came into the ring. She possesses beautiful balance, lovely expression, good bone and substance and confident attitude. She will surely grow into something special when she outgrows that puppy softness. My Winners Bitch, tinytowne Tallulah at Image (Ch. Devondale's Master Merry Andrew x Ch. Castlehill tinytowne Knockout), had the required bone, broad skull and strong, short muzzle. Her expression showed she was full of life, and it all fit into a well-proportioned, stocky body. She had the advantage in these areas over my RWB, Sandina Sweet And Lovely (Ch. Deansleigh Interceptor x Ch. Sandina Sweet Potatoe).

My specials class was incredible. I really wish I would have had more AOMs to award. It is a tough job sorting through such a lovely class. Many exhibits that didn't make my cut were lovely, but I had to whittle it down to only one BOB, one BOS, and 4 AOMs. It was a positive difficulty, however. This allowed me to get down to characteristics such as lack of forechest, bite, eye color, and movement. My Best of Breed winner, Ch. Yarrow's Slightly Azure (Ch. Deansleigh Interceptor x Ch. Yarrow's Edel Weiss), moved with ease and carried himself well. He had the correct eye, broad skull, and short, strong muzzle with beautiful large white teeth meeting in a good scissor bite. This all lent itself to that correct Norwich expression. His shoulders blended well into a lovely layback, strong level back, and a bang on tailset. He had a balanced, easy side gait, and his characteristic terrier attitude surely helped him gain a Group Two later that day. He was presented in beautiful condition. His coat and weight were just right. My Best of Opposite Sex, Ch. Belfyre's Tuff Cookie (Ch. Kristil's Royal Conqueror x Ch. Skyscot's Fortune Cookie), was of beautiful type with good strong bone, lovely head and expression, wonderful side gait and great confident attitude. My Veteran Dog, Ch. Highwood's Parachute Adams, did not show his age and was very competitive with his younger counterparts. He and my other three AOMs—Ch. Pinelake's Mega Bucks, Ch. Gaylord's Solo Me-Oh, Ch. Yarrow's The Hobbit—were all in lovely condition, showed well and were of correct type.

Everyone deserves a pat on the back for the mere fact they showed up. It just proves that the breed is in the hands of real terrier people and is bound to keep getting better and better.

Once again, thank you for the wonderful honor of judging your 2005 Norwich national specialty. I hope you had at least half the fun I did.

—Peggy Beisel-McIlwaine, Ann Arbor, MI
Norfolk Winners

*Best of Breed: Ch. Max-Well's Venus,* pictured with judge/NNTC member Joan Kefell and handler/co-owner Susan Kipp

*Best of Winners & Winners Dog:*
*Cause for Celebration*

*Winners Bitch:*
*Max-Well's Miss Kitty*

*Best of Opposite Sex:*
*Ch. Yarrow's Venerie Vocalist*

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Norwich Winners

Best of Breed/Group 2: Ch. Yarrow's Slightly Azure, pictured with judge Peggy Beisel-McIlwaine and (under the cap) co-breed/owner/handler Beth Sweigart

Best of Winners/Winners Dog:
Sandina Summer Storm

Winners Bitch:
tinytowne Tallulah at Image

Best of Opposite Sex:
Ch. Belfyre's Tuff Cookie

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THE AKC/EUKANUBA NATIONAL INVITATIONAL: NORFOLK AND NORWICH RESULTS

For the second year in a row, the AKC/Eukanuba National Invitational was held in Tampa, Florida—this year on January 14th and 15th, 2006. The host hotel was the Hyatt, which was jam-packed with exhibitors, judges, AKC officers, staff and foreign spectators. In the evenings, many of us just sat around in the cocktail lounge sharing “doggy” stories or going over the day’s events. It was casual and it was fun.

The Invitational showcases the top dogs in each breed. As the show’s name suggests, a dog must be invited to participate. This show also highlights breeders, so, win or lose, we all should be proud to be recognized for our importance in the dog world.

The Tampa Convention Center is the venue for daytime activities. The groups are held at the St. Pete Times Forum, a short distance from the Convention Center. Crowds of spectators were at the show from early morning through late evening. Upon entering the building and taking the escalator to the next floor, one disembarked in a huge lobby facing the entrance to the Agility and Obedience rings. This area was chock full of spectators enjoying the goings-on of these performance events.

The conformation areas were also packed with spectators. Early in the morning of the first day, Louise Leone and I visited the “Meet The Breeds” booths. We all owe NNTC members Heidi Evans and Marjorie McTernan a big “thank you.” These ladies spent two long days at our club’s booth answering questions and giving out literature pertaining to our breeds. Robert Lachman again supplied the video showing our breeds in many different capacities. I’d like to thank all those who helped with “Meet The Breeds.”

As usual, the AKC Canine Health Foundation (CHF) held a dinner and auction. This year’s dinner was well-attended and delicious, and the auction raised over $40,000. If you have an item—e.g., dog jewelry, paintings, prints, a bronze—you could donate to the CHF live or silent auction, please let me know. Items for next year’s auction are being collected now.

The breed judge for both Norfolk and Norwich Terriers this year was Liz Cartledge, a native of Sweden who has lived in England for many years. Well-known in the canine community, Liz is a member of The Kennel Club (U. K.), judges all over the world, has judged Best in Show at Crufts, is vice-chairman of England’s famous Windsor dog show, and owns/manages the successful Ryslip kennels. She had an entry of 10 Norfolks (one absent) and 16 Norwich (three absent) and made the following placements:

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• **Best of Breed:** Ch. Domby's Gabriel Varden (Ch. Domby's Lord Chesterfield II x Ch. Domby's Rose Dartle), bred by Tony Gabrielli and Wayne Palmer; owned by his breeders and Bobby and Ann Thomas. Gabriel Varden also took home a Terrier Group Two ribbon under judge Ken McDermott.

• **BOS:** Ch. Max-Well's Venus (Ch. Max-Well's Red Devil x Ch. Max-Well's Hailstorm), bred and owned by Barbara Miller and Susan Kipp.

• **AOM:** Ch. Final Lea Big Ticket Item (Ch. Mercator Point To Point x Ch. Final Lea Ticket to Ride), bred and owned by Jayne Dubin.

• **Best Bred-by-Exhibitor/AOM:** Ch. Yarrow's Veneric Vocalist (Ch. Cracknor Casing The Joint x Ch. Yarrow's Veneric Vamp), bred by Pam and John Beale and Beth Sweigart; owned by his breeders and M. Sabbitini and Roxanne Stamm. Vocalist went on to take a Group Two under judge Walter Goodman in the Best Bred-by-Exhibitor Terrier Group.
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- **Best of Breed: Ch. Birchbay Sir Galahad** (Ch. Kristil's Ambassador to Ketka x Ch. Baybreez Great Expectations), bred by Janis Birchall and Peggy Schmidt; owned by Janis Birchall.
- **BOS: Ch. Rosecreek Blackberry Summer** (Ch. Yarrow Firebrand x Ch. Chalkhill Once Upon A Time), bred by Gary Baker; owned by Richard Greathouse and Carolyn Taylor.
- **AOM: Ch. Deansleigh Interceptor** (Ch. Ragus Name Your Poison x Deansleigh Gales Honey), bred by Hazel Lamb and Sue Freeman (U. K.); owned by Gilbert Kahn and Knowlton Reynders.
- **AOM: Ch. Gaylord's Solo Me-Oh** (Ch. Titanium Master Chef x Gaylord's Star Crunch), bred by Larry Adams and David Guempel; owned by Marie Caro and the late Dennis Cato.
- **Best Bred-by-Exhibitor: Ch. Briardales Lion King** (Ch. tinytownes's Hardy Boy x Briardales Merci Me), bred by Carole Foucrault and Sharon Walters; owned by Carole Foucrault and Lowell and Constance Jennings.

If you haven’t been to the AKC Invitational either as an invited participant or as a spectator, I suggest you do so. The Invitational will be held next December in Long Beach, California. See you there.

—Barbara Miller, Max-Well Norfolk, Old Brookville, NY
CH. JMAC'S HARRY HOUDINI
(Ch. Bedlam's Little Rascal x JMac's Smoke 'N Mirrors)
Breeder/Owner: Julia L. McDaniel

Harry finished his championship one week after his littermate sister, JMac's Wyket Wich O The West, taking Winners Dog/Best of Winners at the Ennumclaw, WA shows in August 2005. Harry is a truly nice boy. Great attitude but a loving soul. He has bone, great topline, good rear and front. It was a real honor to finish brother and sister within a week of each other.

CH. JMAC'S WYKET WICH O THE WEST
(Ch. Bedlam's Little Rascal x JMac's Smoke 'N Mirrors)
Breeder/Owner: Julia L. McDaniel

"Miss P" finished her championship at the Lacey, WA shows in August 2005. Always shown from the Bred By Class, she took back to back 5 point majors to finish in style. She is full of attitude, has type and style with a lovely topline and moves beautifully.

CH. JMAC'S AMOS MOSES
(Ch. ZigZag's Arch Rival x Am. Can. Ch. JMac's Summer Time Girl)
Breeder/Owner: Julia L. McDaniel

Amos finished his championship at the Boise Cluster in October 2004, taking the Breed and a Group 4. He is a handsome boy, very square, level topline, beautiful head and tons of bone.
CH. FOOZLE’S
HOT TICKET
(Ch. WWW. Red Bully De Vom Rittersee x Ch. Foozle’s Brunhilda)
Breeder/Owner: Alyson Cleary
"Emma" finished her championship in September, 2005, going BOW and BOS at the Ox Ridge (CT) KC show. She is now home and will try her paw at motherhood this year. Many thanks to her handler, Lori Pelletier.

CH. FOOZLE’S SOCRATES
(Ch. Sandina’s Supersonic x Ch. Foozle’s Brunhilda)
Breeder/Owner: Alyson Cleary
Socrates ("Sock") finished his championship on the Nango Circuit in Bainbridge, NY with three majors, all breeder-owner handled from the puppy and 12-18 months classes. He is now home and spends some time each month as a therapy dog, visiting nursing homes with his owner. His jumping ability suggests agility may be in his future as well.

CH. FOOZLE’S
VIOLETS ARE BLUE
(Ch. Sandina’s Supersonic x Ch. Foozle’s Brunhilda)
Breeder/Owner: Alyson Cleary
Violet ("Vi") finished her championship on December 4, 2005 at the Worcester (MA) KC Show with 4 majors, mostly from the puppy and 12-18 months classes. Many thanks go to Lori Pelletier for this accomplishment. Vi is now home, growing up a bit, and will eventually be on the lookout for a husband. She spends some time each month as a therapy dog, working in nursing homes with her litter brother, "Socrates," and her owner.
CH. JERUSALEM
CRACKER JACK
(Ch. Jerusalem Chutney CD x
Millers Mischief at Jerusalem)
Breeder/Owner: Phyllis K. Pullen
This is my newest champion. I hope to add
some performance titles to his name.

CH. DREAMWEAVER
THE ENCHANTRESS
(Ch. Highwood's Raffaced MacDougal
x Ch. Dreamweaver The Cat's Meow)
Breeder: Al Ferruggiaro
Owner: Denise Faulkner
"Emma" finished big, taking Winners Bitch/
Best of Breed at the Springfield, IL shows in
October 2005. She is a very sweet girl with a
feisty attitude and loves to be with her family.
She is my second Norwich champion, and
we are very proud of her. We look forward to
having a litter of puppies sometime this year
from breeding Emma to our handsome boy,
Duncan (Ch. Norweim's Digging for Gold).

CH. TERRAPIN TIME FLIES
(Ch. Terrapin Timber's Song x
Ch. Terrapin Tanganyika)
Breeders: Margareta Wood and
Nathaniel R. LaMar
Owner: Jaye D'Andelot Pinch
"Fiona's" major wins included the NNCTC
supported entry at Garden State All Terrier—
twice!—under breeder judges Jack Simm
and Martin Phillips (U.K.). Many thanks to
her breeder/handler Missy Wood and "hair-
dresser" Margery Good for their wonderful
care and interest.
CH. GLENELG IN THE GARDEN
(Max-Well’s Sprite x Ch. Glenelg Grazie ME)
Breeder/Owner: Deborah Pritchard
Best Norfolk Puppy at the 2003 Chesapeake NNTC Match under judge Knowlton Reynders; Reserve Winners Bitch at Devon (2003) under judge Peggy Beisel-McIlwaine.

CH. GLENELG CLARA’S COTTAGE
(Ch. Glenelg Barrister x Ch. Mercator Tess Trueheart)
Breeders: Joanne Hart and Deborah Pritchard
Owner: Deborah Pritchard
At 6 months of age, “Clara” went Reserve Winners Bitch at the 2004 NNTC Roving National Specialty in Sacramento under breeder-judge Richard Powell. She was always shown in the Bred-by-Exhibitor class.
NEW TITLE HOLDERS

CH. SANDPIPER'S CRICKET ON THE HEARTH
(Ch. Rhapsodale Ruffian x Ch. Sandpiper's Windchase)
Breeder/Owner: Vallie Beckwith

“Cricket” completed her championship at 9 months old on August 26, 2005 at Elm City KC. She won 3 majors at 3 consecutive shows, with thanks to her handler, Lori Pelletier. Cricket is a very game little Norfolk—no matter what the game!

CH. MAYFAIR RETURN TO CINDER
(Ch. Wonderwood Jack O’ Lantern x Ch. Mayfair Georgia On My Mind)
Breeder/Owner: Kathleen Eimil

After many years of breeding Norfolks, “Cinder” is my first black and tan. She finished in great style, going Winners Bitch at the 2005 Northern California Terrier Assoc. Show and again at both the 2005 Great Western Terrier Assoc. shows. She is a lively girl with a sweet disposition.
MAX-WELL (NORFOLK). Susan Kipp and I have been co-breeding our Norfolks now for a number of years. We've had a bumper crop of some nice Norfolks, including Ch. Max-Well's Venus, a beautiful little bitch who finished 2005 as #5 All Terrier. Her sire, Swedish & Am. Ch. Max-Well's Red Devil, has been living in Sweden with Anna Lena Munkvall and at one point was the #1 dog, all breed, in Sweden. He is coming back to America now and we are looking forward to incorporating him into our line.

Ch. Max-Well's Snaffle Bit was impregnated with frozen sperm from the late Eng. & Am. Ch. Jaeva Matti Brown, a dog I leased for two years many years ago. In those days, techniques for collecting and storing a dog's sperm weren't as sophisticated as they are today. Still, Matti's sperm survived the primitive collecting and was stored with the noted reproduction vet, Dr. Robert Hutchinson. A veterinary clinic in Lemora, Wisconsin performed the surgical implant. As I write this the four "Brown brothers," Charlie, LeRoy, Jackson and James, are 10 weeks old. Susie and I are thrilled as these puppies go back to old English Jaeva and Nanfan lines. Their dam, Snaffle, is sired by Ch. Nanfan Canter, as is Venus' sire, Red Devil. We took a little "good stuff" from Jaeva and Nanfan and mixed it with a little "good stuff" from Max-Well. The result was four lovely male puppies representing three breeding lines well known in the Norfolk world. We look forward to seeing them in the ring in the months to come. And that's what breeding is all about...pride.

—Barbara Miller, Old Brookville, NY
PUBLICATIONS

NORWICH TERRIERS USA 1936-1966. Edited by Constance Stuart Larrabee and Joan Redmond Read. This is a soft-cover reprint (1986) of the original hardback book of the same title. There are many wonderful photos of early Norwich and Norfolk Terriers and breeders, profiles of influential American kennels, and articles on early Specialty and Match shows. The definitive history of Norwich and Norfolks in America during the 30 years following official AKC recognition of the breed(s). Price: $16.50 postpaid to U.S. addresses. Send check, payable to NNTC, to Alison Freehling, 2730 Hunt Country Lane, Charlotteville, VA 22901.

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.

BACK ISSUES OF THE NEWS. Back issues of The Norwich and Norfolk News, from the Fall/Winter 1998 through the Fall 2005 issues, are available from Alison Freehling at a cost of $6 per News, postage included. The Spring 2004 and Spring 2005 issues are sold out. Please make checks payable to NNTC.

THE NORFOLK TERRIER. By Joan R. Read. Editor Nat R. LaMar. Third Edition 2004. A beautiful 6 x 9 hardback of 370 pages about Norfolk Terriers, with over 300 black-and-white photos and illustrations. The text includes early history of the breed; conformation; traits; health; grooming and much, much more. This is considered the definitive book about the Norfolk Terrier. Price $45.00 (incl. s/h) throughout the U.S. Send check payable to ANTA to Judith Felton, 25 Columbus Rd., Demarest, NJ 07627.

![Sitting pretty](Photo credit: Jane Schubert)
![Lying low](Photo credit: Chris Bates)

Warwick, Rhode Island is the place to be June 2-4 for our breeds’ 70th birthday bash!