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To assure timely publication of the Fall 2008 *News*, please be sure to meet—or better yet to beat—the August 1 deadline. Thanks for your cooperation.—AGF

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## SENDING DIGITAL PHOTOS TO THE NEWS

We need to remind our readers again that even in this digital world, we prefer to work with good 8 x 10 prints of photos destined for the Showfront and New Title Holder sections of the *News*. Because we crop Showfront and New Title Holder photos so drastically to focus on the dog, they present special problems and we are not able to do justice to the subjects in many of the show photos we receive digitally. If you cannot send the original of a show photo, please call 800-961-0015 and ask for Sharman.

We welcome digital photos for all other sections of the *News*. They should be at least 900 pixels wide (or tall, if the orientation is portrait). 1200 pixels at the longest dimension is even better. Please note that, depending on your computer monitor’s resolution, a picture of this size may appear HUGE on your screen. Don’t worry about this (and please don’t resize the photo); it will be just right to print in the *News*. As a general rule, you won’t have a problem as long as you use a camera of at least 3 megapixels AND set it to shoot at its highest resolution. Save your file as a JPG or TIFF and happy shooting!

—Sharman Pepper, graphic designer at Deerhaven Press, printer of the *News*
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NNTC MEMBERS APPROVE DIVISION

Since Bill and I joined the NNTC in 1983, members have voted six times (1983, 1993, 1995, 1998, 2001 and 2007) on division of the club. Each time during the last quarter century, division failed to garner the necessary two-thirds majority of votes as required by the NNTC Constitution. This time was different. Of the 436 NNTC members who returned division ballots (a good turnout!), 298 (68.3%) voted in favor of division; 138 members (31.7%) voted “no.” Based on these returns, division passed by a margin of just 7 votes!

To assure a “fair and square” counting as requested by the NNTC Board, NNTC Corresponding Secretary Louise Leone delivered the division ballots to the accounting firm of May Jackson Hendrick, LLC in Parker, Colorado. The ballots were counted by this firm on November 25, 2007. Official results were reported to Louise on November 26 when she picked up the ballots and paid the bill. NNTC President Barbara Miller’s November 29 letter to the membership regarding the division vote and future steps necessary to establish separate breed clubs follows below.—AGF

A LETTER ABOUT NNTC DIVISION
FROM PRESIDENT BARBARA MILLER

Ed.: The following is part of a November 29, 2007 letter from President Barbara Miller to NNTC members announcing that division of the club has passed and outlining some procedures necessary to establishing separate Norfolk and Norwich breed clubs. Please take a moment to fill out the yellow “talent form” inserted in your News and mail it to Barbara Miller at the address on the form. Thank you.—AGF

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November 26, 2007 will be a date to remember, for on this date Norwich and Norfolk Terrier Club members officially approved division. Our club’s Corresponding Secretary Louise Leone has notified the Executive Secretary of the American Kennel Club, James Crowley, of our membership’s vote to divide. Division of the club doesn’t mean division of old traditions. Just as they do in England, the two breed clubs can meet for many events such as match shows, dinners, go-to grounds, etc. The intermingling of the clubs will depend upon the character of each new club’s boards.

Our work is now cut out for us. The present NNTC Board has been instructed to appoint two nominating committees, one for each breed club, to nominate officers and members of each new Board. Until the time that we have two working boards, the present NNTC Board must remain in place to guide and keep the ball rolling for the entire membership. The nominating committees will use as their guide the present NNTC Constitution and By-Laws…. I’m requesting all NNTC committee chairmen to remain at their posts to insure the continuity of the club. It will probably take the year of 2008 to get the two clubs in place, so plan on belonging to either the Norwich or the Norfolk club—or both—by the year 2009. Your NNTC dues payment for the year 2008 will hold you over until we are formally two clubs.

This is an exciting time for our breeds…. Now is the time for NNTC members who have never served the club to step up to the plate. Also, if you are a Norfolk and/or Norwich owner who has never joined the NNTC (there are about 270 News subscribers who are not NNTC members), now is the time for you to consider joining your breed’s new club and volunteering your time and talents. This News includes a form listing the numerous “job” possibilities. Don’t be shy. If you have an affinity for/hospitality, crafts, computers, design, writing, editing, health, etc., then please fill out the form and return it to me at the specified address. Think of the future as our time, our time to enhance the possibilities of where our two breeds can go, of what they can do, and how we can make them better.—Barbara Miller, NNTC President
FROM THE EDITOR

“Change” is definitely the buzzword for 2008, both for the Presidential primaries and for the NNTC. Members’ approval of NNTC division in November 2007 marks the end of sixty years of Norwich and Norfolk Terriers being together in the same breed club in America. The Norwich Terrier Club, officially recognized by the AKC in 1947, included both prick and drop ear Norwich. When the AKC officially recognized drop ears as a separate breed in 1979, the club was renamed The Norwich & Norfolk Terrier Club. During the course of 2008, these historic ties will be severed and members of each breed will select their own Boards, their own committee chairs, and, I assume, publish their own breed-specific newsletters. The transition from one breed club to two will require time and, above all, commitment/dedication on the part of Norwich and Norfolk owners. Change is never easy, but hopefully the end result—separate clubs focused solely on the interests and well-being of each particular breed—will better serve both Norwich and Norfolk Terriers. Despite their shared heritage, Norwich and Norfolk have grown apart in recent decades, especially with regard to health problems.

As we work to establish separate breed clubs for our terriers, the common bonds uniting Norwich and Norfolk owners will persevere. Division of the NNTC need not sever friendships forged over many decades. As the 2007 U.K. Norwich and Norfolk 75th Anniversary weekend demonstrates, members of the two breed clubs can get together for joint matches, performance events, Specialty shows and dinners, etc., in the future. You could also join both clubs if you want.

Since the Fall 2008 News may be the final two-breed issue, I would especially like to ask Norfolk owners to send photos of adults and puppies so that each breed will have “equal coverage.” Norwich photos are also welcome, of course, but my inventory of Norfolk photos has hit rock bottom. Also, will all Norwich and Norfolk owners, whether or not you are a NNTC member, please return the yellow “talent form” included in this issue to NNTC President Barbara Miller. The new breed clubs need lots of “worker bees!” Happy spring and summer to everyone.—AGF

THE 2006 NN TC ANNUAL TROPHY AND 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 2006 were announced at the October 2007 NNTC Montgomery Specialty dinner. Thanks to Andrew Kramer (Conformation statistics), Mary Fine (Obedience statistics) and Sasie 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 2006 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.)

* No winners in 2006
The 2006 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 Partree Trophy above.

- Ch. Bilbrough's Isabelladonna, owned by Michael and Regina Swygert-Smith
- Ch. Glencelg As Time Goes By, owned by Deborah Pritchard
- Ch. Max-Well's Raindance, owned by Barbara Miller and Susan Kipp
- Ch. Sundancer Your Rules Don't Apply, owned by Susan Ptacek

The 2006 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 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. Classic Will To Win, owned by Sandra Bails and Fran Westfall
- Ch. Cobblestone's Gooseberry, owned by Laurie Loeffler and Anna Bellenger
- Ch. Devondale's Master Marmot Phil, owned by Anna Bellenger
- Ch. Ivy Lanes Ramblin Boy, owned by Lana Cox
- Ch. Littlefield Ruff Tuned, owned by Leandra Little
- Ch. Unique's Rojo Del Sol, owned by Karen Whalen
- Ch. Wildwest Ruckshot, owned by Betty Bossio

The 2006 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. Bilbrough's Special Delivery, owned by Michael and Regina Swygert-Smith
- Ch. Cobblestone's Bounce Berry, owned by Laurie Loeffler and Anna Bellenger
- Ch. Mtnayres Somwhere In Time, owned by Susan Ayres
- Ch. Santana Sunny Side Up, owned by Carole and Daniel Cason
- Ch. Win Dancers Amaznstarcacher, owned by Robin Newton and Peggy Heilig

The 2006 Clean Run Trophy: Agility

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

- Norfolk: Capricorns Whatvr Lola Wants AX AXJ, owned by Nona Albarano
- Norwich: Beach Pine Sophie of Oakley NA OAP NAJ, owned by Ursula Walsh
The 2006 River Bend Trophy: Obedience

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: Tylwyth Lacy Redfur CD (with 17 points); owned by Mary Fine
- Norwich: Ch. Kilyka's High Voltage CDX NA NAJ (with 56 points); owned by Betty McDonnell

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The 2006 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 2006:

Norfolk

- Ch. Black Magic's Sail Away AXP AJP JE, owned by Douglas Dobbin and Marian Shaw, DVM
- Ch. Spring Cove's Flying Genoa OA OAJ JE, owned by Douglas Dobbin and Marian Shaw, DVM

Norwich

- Beach Pine Sophie of Oakley NA NAJ OAP AJP JE, owned by Ursula Walsh
- Ch. Kilyka's High Voltage CDX NA NAJ, owned by Betty McDonnell
- Rogel's D'Chip de Hollywood UD RE JE, owned by Jill Petersen

The 2006 NNTC Versatility Excellent Award

Norfolk: Ch. MACH Flashback Postmark RN JE, owned by Francoise (Sassie) Joiris and Celine Joiris

The 2006 Neversink Trophy (Tracking)

No member-owned Norfolk or Norwich earned a Tracking title in 2006.

The News congratulates all the 2006 winners and apologizes for any omissions and/or inadvertent errors in your dogs’ names, titles and awards.—AGF

NEW NNTC WEBMASTER

New NNTC Norfolk member Deb Lengyel of Riverton, NJ has kindly agreed to serve as the club’s webmaster. Deb designs websites as a business and is also a photographer and a graphic artist. If you would like to contact Deb about the NNTC website, her e-mail address is Deb@ideapatio.com. The NNTC website address is still www.norwichandnorfolkterrier.org.—AGF
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NNTC NORWICH TERRIER REGISTER OF MERIT (ROM) AWARD WINNERS

Ed.: The NNTC awards Register of Merit (ROM) titles to all member-owned dogs that have sired 8 or more breed champions and to all member-owned bitches that have produced 5 or more breed champions. Because there is, at present, no Norwich pedigree database, last fall NNTC President Barbara Miller asked the AKC to create a special software program to derive the names of Norwich ROM sires and dams for the past 30 years. (Thank you, Barbara M.) The following list of ROM winners is based on this AKC data. Pedigree research is a difficult and time-consuming task. NNTC member Andrew Kramer has been entering pedigrees into his Norwich pedigree database for the past 12 years. The AKC Norwich data thus may not be 100% accurate/complete (e.g., I noticed that three of our Norwich champions were not listed under their various sire's champion offspring). Nevertheless, this data represents a significant contribution to the Norwich pedigree database project—a major undertaking that new NNTC Norwich member Barbara Einspruch of Dallas, Texas has kindly volunteered to tackle. (Thank you, Barbara E.)

One final note: Since the AKC list did not include Ch. titles (or performance titles) with any of the ROM sires' or dams' names, I had to decide whether to omit or to add a Ch. As you will see, I decided to err on the side of 100% inclusion. Thus all ROM winners, sires and dams, have been designated as breed champions. In some cases, this may not be correct, but the dogs' owners probably won't mind. ☺—AGF

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Ch. Chidley Bib 'N Tucker (9)
Ch. Fairwood Fireworks of Sandina (9)
Ch. Fairway's Spyglass Charlie (9)
Ch. Half-A-Bob's Mousetrap (9)
Ch. Hannikan's Sweet William (9)
Ch. Highwood's Grizzly Riffle (9)
Ch. Jerusalem Tyler Too (9)
Ch. Seaforth's Tuffy Travis (9)
Ch. Tridwr Mr. Solo (9)
19. Ch. Ariel Red Ramses At Den-Mar (8)

Sire (# Of Champion Offspring)

Ch. Baybreez Veni Vidi Vici (8)
Ch. Bedlam's Hocus Pocus (8)
Ch. Boomerang O'Wychood (8)
Ch. Castle-Bar Mind Trap (8)
Ch. Chaos Devon of Kingmont (8)
Ch. Derrymoor's Friar (8)
Ch. Paddington's Duke of Brighton (8)
Ch. Skyscot's Chuckles N' Grins (8)
Ch. Todwil's Limited Warranty (8)
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Ch. Westwood Ketka's Real Frank (8)

Norwich Terrier Dams

Dam (# Of Champion Offspring)

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Ch. Castle-Bar Tiger Lily (5)
Ch. Cavaleri's Jolene (5)
Ch. Chidley Catherine The Great (5)
Ch. Chidley Chestnuthills Sprite (5)
Ch. Chidley Conquers My Heart (5)
Ch. Devondale's Mistress Mercy (5)
Ch. Diamond's In The Ruff (5)
Ch. Dunbar Royal Rock Short Cake (5)
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CH. YARROW’S FIRST LADY CGC
“MARTHA”
(February 22, 1994-October 31, 2007)

"Martha"

Some people come into our lives and quickly go. Some stay for awhile and leave footprints on our hearts. And we are never, ever the same.—Anonymous

That was my Martha, my First terrier, my First Norfolk, my First Champion, the mother of my First Norfolk litter and my First homebred champion. The beginning of a lot of Firsts at Avalon.

My First Lady ... It will never be the same without you. —Lori Pelletier

Looking back to the future: “Bonnie” Schubart and her daughter “Apple Betty.”
THE 2007 KIMBERTON ALL-TERRIER AGILITY TRIALS

This certainly isn't the first time, nor will it be the last, that I write about the Montgomery week all-terrier agility trials in Kimberton, PA. Once again the Noragility group was a large one, although several long-time members could not make it this fall and were missed. Just like the MCKC show, we never know what to expect weather-wise, and this year was a scorcher! Luckily we had access to plenty of water, and we also had our own doggy wading pool reserved for Norfolk and Norwich. As we've done every year, we invited 'conformation only' NNTC members to come enjoy our hospitality. This year we hosted NNTC members Henrietta Lachman and her husband, NNTC First Vice-President Robert Lachman. Our group has become famous for our large hospitality tent, as well as the really amazing array of prizes donated each year.

2007 marked the seventh anniversary of all-terrier agility at Kimberton. There certainly have been a lot of changes for our breeds during this short time. The first year, there were a whopping two Norwich and no Norfolk entered at the trial. NNTC members Caralynn Ricks and Blair Kelly were the first intrepid exhibitors to enter the event, competing with their respective Norwich “Darcy” and “Kate.” Two years later, thanks to Caralynn’s and Blair’s tireless work, the NNTC hosted one day of the Kimberton trials. By then the Norwich and Norfolk entry had swelled to ten dogs (I think, I can’t find the exact figure). That year, we also held an unofficial Norfolk-and-Norwich-only obedience match in a motel parking lot one evening after the trial—a sign of things to come.

In 2004, again thanks to Caralynn (what would we do without her?!?) and her hard-working cohorts, we added an obedience trial to the Kimberton happenings, and our Norwich and Norfolk group grew bigger. Every year the event gets a little bigger, a little more organized, and a little more fun!

In 2007 we had four days of agility with 16 Norfolk and 15 Norwich competing, many of them conformation champions or pointed. Many of our breeds’ entries competed in the excellent class, which is the highest level of competition. We also had respectable entries in obedience (four Norfolk and four Norwich) and rally (three Norwich, no Norfolk), including Linda Brennan’s Norfolk Terrier, Oz, who got his first Novice leg with a score of 198 out of a possible 200, thereby putting to rest the old saw that our little dogs lack the ability to work precisely! One of the NNTC’s most titled dogs, Jill Petersen’s Norwich Terrier, Rogel’s D’Chip De Hollywould UD JE RE, made the long trip east from Washington state and impressed us all with his abilities.

As usual, we had the annual Noragility dinner at Hoss's restaurant, and this year’s crowd was huge! Dinner is always the highlight of the week. We all get to share stories, get to know people face to face whom we’ve only “met” via email, watch fun videos, and laugh a lot. If you’ve never seen Norfolk or Norwich doing agility or obedience, please come join us next year. We’re always delighted to make room for more guests!

—Francoise (Sassie) Joiris, NNTC Performance Chair, New York, NY (fjoiris@ix.netcom.com)

THE 2007 AKC AGILITY INVITATIONAL

The second AKC Agility Invitational was held in Long Beach, California on December 1–2, 2007 in conjunction with the AKC/Eukanuba National Championship (a conformation invitational). The top five agility dogs of each breed were invited to participate. A total of 448 dogs representing 128 breeds and coming from 41 states attended. Of these 448 dogs, 239 held the MACH title (Master Agility Champion), 100 had breed championships, and 43 had both the MACH and the CH. titles.

The Agility Invitational should not be confused with the Agility Nationals. When the AKC decided to create the Invitational to showcase agility, obedience and conformation at the same show, the Agility Nationals were split off as a separate event held at a different time of year. It is no secret that agility
is dominated by the herding breeds (Border Collies, Shelties, etc.). The Nationals determine the best agility dogs; the Invitational determines the best agility dogs of EACH BREED.

Only 42 of the 128 breeds attending the Invitational were able to field the full complement of five dogs. I am proud to report that both Norwich and Norfolk Terriers were among these 42 breeds. Sadly, one Norfolk, CH. MACH Flashback Postmark RN JE (Stamp), owned by Sassie Joiris, was injured right before the Invitational and was not able to compete. We understand that Stamp is recovering from a soft tissue injury, and we hope he is back to competing soon.

On the Friday before the weekend, there was a practice run to let the dogs get used to the venue, the flooring, and the equipment. Afterwards, in what has become a tradition, the Noragility crowd went out to dinner together.

Agility at the highest level is normally scored as qualifying and non-qualifying. For an event like the Invitational, however, the scoring is adjusted to allow ranking. Each run starts with a score of 100. Penalties are given for a refusal or run-out (5 point deduction), a wrong course (20 point deduction), a missed contact or dropped bar (5 point deduction), and a 3-point deduction for every second over standard course time. All obstacles have to be completed or a score of zero is assessed. If there is a tie on score, the lowest cumulative time wins.

There are four runs, two each day - a standard run and a jumpers with weaves run. The very top dogs of the competition are invited to participate in a "finals" round to determine the top dogs of the competition. It is this finals round that is filmed by Animal Planet. Sadly no Norwich and Norfolk made it the finals this year. The best dog of each breed is awarded a Top Dog Medallion donated by the breed's parent club.

Norwich competition was a reprise of the 2006 Invitational, with the same dogs and handlers competing. The Norwich top dog this year was Scooter, owned by Susan Novotny. Scooter had a disastrous first round, getting a score of zero, but then earned three perfect scores to win the competition among Norwich.

After all the runs, the Norwich team had the following scores:

- 300 Skyscot's Trouble Scooter CDX RE MX MXJ NF (Scooter), Susan Novotny
- 286 CH. MACH Jerusalem Katherina Minola B CD RN NF (Kate), Blair Kelly
- 280 Breakaway's Malarky MX MXJ (Malarky), Gail Exstrom
- 225 CH. Breakaway's Central Perk MX MXJ (Chandler), Dr. Rainee Johnson
- 166 Shaksper Bianca Minola (Bianca), Blair Kelly

The Norfolk competition was won by Wizard and his owner Drake Evers. Drake is 12 years old and in 6th grade. Some of you may remember that Wizard is also owned by Joan Meyer, who earned a MACH and MACH2 with her Norfolk. Drake is an agility student of Joan's and when he was looking for a good agility dog, Joan kindly let Wizard go live with Drake. Drake has earned six double-Qs with Wizard.

After all the runs, the Norfolk team had the following scores:

- 375 MACH2 Triune Tartan Gandolf Greybeard JE NF (Wizard), Drake Evers (co-owned by Joan Meyer)
- 313 Capricorns Whatvr Lola Wants AX AXJ (Lola), Nona Albarano
- 286 CH. Andover Petite Bonbon CDX RA AX AXJ SE (Andi), Laurie Sherick
- 251 Tally-Ho-Ho-Ho OA OAJ AXP AJP NFP ME (Tally), Beth Kravetz
- Absent: CH. MACH Flashback Postmark RN JE (Stamp), Sassie Joiris

—Blair Kelly, “Shakesper” Norwich, Odenton, MD (blair.kelly@att.net)
Terriers Only Performance Summit
A Celebration of Terriers
Greeley Colorado May 16 -19, 2008

TOPS

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http://www.tops2008.net/
A RUMBLE IN THE ROCKIES:

The Terriers Only Performance Summit

Shh-hh-h... Listen... There's a rumble in the Rockies—all the way to the TOPS! What is the buzz about TOPS? First of all, we're about to see history in the making. The Terriers Only Performance Summit (TOPS) is a celebration that brings together all breeds of terriers for three days of Obedience, Rally and Agility, with a fourth day of Earthdog. This Summit is a must for anyone who wants to be in the forefront of performance dog competition. Secondly, there has never been a single show offering this many activities, sanctioned and non-sanctioned, for terrier-only participation. For over a year, a very active and enthusiastic group of terrier lovers has been planning an extravaganza of events for May 16-19, 2008, to be held at Island Grove Park in Greeley, Colorado.

So why not plan a Colorado vacation this May if you and your dog do any performance event? Against the background of the majestic Rockies, you'll find a wonderful green site to park your RV or tent. You'll go inside to do obedience and rally, as well as agility on packed dirt. You'll go to beautiful Rist Canyon nearby for Earthdog, where permanent tunnels are set up. And that's just the beginning!

The TOPS committee has devised a rating system to determine the high point terrier in each breed from the AKC competitions in Rally, Obedience and Agility. So you'll find out who was TOPS dog in each breed for the trial and overall TOPS dog. The TOPS steering committee appreciates the NNTC's support of the TOPS prize for our two breeds.

You'll also find testing for Canine Good Citizen, Therapy Dog International, and American Temperament Testing Society. You'll find a terrier tricks contest as entertainment for the Saturday night Bar-B-Q. You can participate in Irish-owner Pat Mueller's Kids Training Terriers workshop. There will be a photo contest. Above ground earthdog tunnels will be available to try out, as well as obstacle lure coursing. And everyone can participate in the ever-popular terrier races.

Check out the TOPS website at www.tops2008.net/home.html. You'll find wonderful photos. The premium will soon be posted there, and other information will be updated as plans are finalized.

—Carlynn Ricks, TOPS Co-chair (carlynnricks@earthlink.net)

Photo credit: Gail Herstein

Future TOPS contender
"Java" Herstein.
"Be a good listener" — you might pick up some juicy gossip.

"Think positive" — there's gotta be a way out of here.

"Be tolerant of others" — even cats.

"Take lots of naps" — on comfy pillows.

"Hone your digging skills" — dirty dogs have more fun.
2006 NORFOLK AND NORWICH

OBEDIENCE STATISTICS

In 2006, 10 Norwich and 9 Norfolk Terriers made qualifying scores in obedience competition. Thirteen titles were earned: 9 CD’s, 2 CDX’s, 1 UD, and 1 UDX. Norwich earned 3 CD’s, 1 CDX, 1 UD, and 1 UDX (the breed’s first!). Norfolks brought home 6 CD’s and 1 CDX. No tracking titles were earned by either breed.

All the Norwich titles except one CD went to member-owned dogs. For Norfolks, 4 CD’s and the one CDX went to member-owned or co-owned dogs.

I do not have any information about qualifying scores in Rally-O, just titles earned. Norfolks had 6 Rally Novice titles (RN) and 2 Rally Advanced titles (RA). One RA title and 4 RN titles went to member-owned dogs. Norwich had 16 RN titles, 3 RA titles and 2 Rally Excellent titles (RE). Twelve RN titles, 3 RA titles and 2 RE titles went to member-owned or co-owned dogs.

NNTC MEDALS: NORWICH OBEDIENCE

A Club Medal for our FIRST UDX Norwich goes to:
Sand-Castle Darcy UDX MX MXJ NJP, owned by Carlynn Ricks

A Club Medal for a UD title goes to:
Rogel’s D’Chip De Hollywould UD RA, owned by Jill C. Petersen

A Club medal for a CDX title goes to:
Ch. Kiltyka’s High Voltage CDX NA NAJ, owned by Betty McDonnell

Club Medals for CD titles go to:
Ch. Kiltyka’s High Voltage CDX NA NAJ, owned by Betty McDonnell
Yarrow’s Mgb Beach Pine Harry CD, owned by Ursula Walsh

NNTC MEDALS: NORWICH RALLY

Club Medals for Rally Advanced go to:
• Ch. Top Drawer She’s a Keeper CD RA, owned by Meredith Dwyer and Knowlton Reynolds
• Top Drawer’s Full Monty CD RA, owned by Karen Dwyer
• Skyscot’s Trouble Scooter CD RA MX MXJ, owned by Susan Novotny and Scott Laidig

Club Medals for Rally Excellent go to:
• Rogel’s D’Chip De Hollywould UD RA, owned by Jill C. Petersen
• Skyscot’s Trouble Scooter CD RA MX MXJ, owned by Susan Novotny and Scott Laidig

Club Medals for Rally Novice go to:
• Ch. Corymor’s Too Cool For Words RN, owned by Ann and Phil Whatley
• Ch. Dunbar’s Mistress of the Hunt RN OA OAJ NJP, owned by Joan Bakken and Joan Schurr Kefeli
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• Ch. Jerusalem Chutney CD RN, owned by Phyllis Pullen MD
• Ch. MACH Jerusalem Katherina Minola B CD RN, owned by Blair Kelly
• Ch. Migar's Shonleh Patrick RN, owned by Diana Campbell and Sharon Curry
• Ch. Top Drawer She's a Keeper CD RA, owned by Meredith Dwyer and Knowlton Reynolds
• Fairfield JT CDX RN, owned by Dave and Joanie Brobst
• Ribboncliff's Hairy Pawter RN, owned by Deborah Ross
• Rogel's I'm Ginger Hollywood RN, owned by Jill C. Petersen
• Shakspere Bianca Minola RN MX MXJ, owned by Blair Kelly
• Skyscor's Trouble Scooter CD RA MX MXJ, owned by Susan Novotny and Scott Laidig
• Top Drawer's Full Monty CD RA, owned by Karen Dwyer

NNTC MEDALS: NORFOLK OBEEDIENCE

A Club Medal for a CDX title goes to:
• Reidmar Rob's Boy CDX, owned by Bernice O. Staton

Club Medals for CD titles go to:
• Black Magic's Mischief CD, owned by Sandra Rene and Linda Dinger
• Ch. Dove Hill Bisy Backson Browne CD, owned by Sue Ely
• Ch. Franaro Kashmir's Tally-Ho CD NA NAJ, owned by Linda and David Dinger
• Tylwyth Lacy Redfur CD, owned by Mary D. Fine

NNTC MEDALS: NORFOLK RALLY

A Club Medal for a Rally Advanced title goes to:
• Ch. Todmorden My Fire Tuggn Brody RA JE, owned by Shirl Hutchins

Club Medals for Rally Novice titles go to:
• Ch. Andover Petite Bonbon CD RN AX AXJ SE, owned by Laurie Rossi Sherick
• Flaford Loving Grace CD RN NA NAP NJR, owned by Peggy Chittick
• Pinchbeck Houdini RN NAJ JE, owned by Peggy Chittick
• Pinchbeck Ozymandias RN, owned by Linda Brennan

RIVER BEND CUPS

The River Bend Cup for Norwich goes to Ch. Kilyka's High Voltage CDX NA NAJ, owned by Betty McDonnell, with 56 points.

The River Bend Cup for Norfolk goes to Tylwyth Lacy Redfur CD, owned by Mary D. Fine, with 17 points.

—Mary D. Fine, NNTC Obedience Chair, Storrs, CT (mfine01@snet.net)
NORWICH AT THE 2007 AKC NATIONAL OBEEDIENCE INVITATIONAL

Once again, a Norwich competed at the AKC National Obedience Invitational. Joan Jung's Ch. Belvedere's Sister Parrish UD RN (Frizzle) recently earned her UD (Utility Dog) advanced obedience title. In Utility, the dog works off lead the entire time and away from the handler most of the time, some of it with no verbal commands allowed. Joan and Frizzle qualified for the national by being one of the top three Norwich obedience dogs in the country. Frizzle was the only Norwich to meet the additional requirement of earning OTCH points (Obedience Trial Championship) in the past year.

Joan joined 90 handlers with 96 dogs representing 45 breeds from 30 states and Canada at the December 1-2, 2007 AKC/Eukanuba event in Long Beach. After entering the regular obedience trial on Thursday with scores around 195 (!), Joan and Frizzle went on to a new format in the Invitational. All the dogs were doing exactly the same exercises in all 6 rings (arranged in a 3 x 2 grid) at the same time. That meant the dog was listening to five other handlers saying "Take it" and "Find it" and had to distinguish which voice was talking to him. Also this year, "stays" were added to the competition. You may have seen photos of 8 to 10 dogs in a "sit" on one side of the ring gates, with their backs to 8 to 10 other dogs on the other side of the ring gates, also in a "sit". How do you spell "concentrate"?

At the end of the first day's competition (Saturday), Joan and Frizzle were 59th overall and #3 in terriers, which qualified them to go on to Sunday's competition. On Sunday, they continued on to the second round, where the distractions and noise were finally too much. Frizzle lost her focus for just long enough to make a single mistake. Nevertheless, Joan and Frizzle were pleased to thank Barbara Miller and the NNTC for the AKC medallion for high Norwich that "weighed more than Frizzle.” We look forward to hearing more from these two. Is there a Norwich OTCH in the breed’s future?

—Carlynn Ricks, San Antonio, TX
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SPRING 2008 OBEEDIENCE NEWS

Recent months have once again been marked by a number of outstanding Norwich accomplishments including a new UD, a start on another UD, and a dog more than halfway to the coveted UDX title. The new Utility Dog (the twelfth Norwich UD title) is Huntwood's Four on the Floor, owned by Bridget Carlson of Illinois. Unfortunately, I have no knowledge of this dog other than what I read in the AKC Gazette Awards, but his record is absolutely amazing. He earned his CDX in February 2007, his CDX in April 2007, and his UDX in November 2007. Of the 21 scores I have found so far for this dog, none is lower than 193.5 and 16 scores are over 195, including one all-breed High in Trial! Yikes! Perhaps an OTCH to come…?

Continuing with the Norwich kudos, NNTC member Betty McDonnell has a first UD leg on her homebred, Ch. Kilyka's High Voltage CDX, NA, NAJ. The leg was earned with a first place win at Palisades Kennel Club in New Jersey. When he completes legs two and three, Betty will have Norwich mother and son UD titles.

Moving toward a UDX title is another Norwich, Ch. Belvedere's Sister Parrish UD RN, owned by Joan Jung of Texas. As of January 2008, "Frizzle" has six of the required ten UDX legs. (A UDX leg requires a qualifying score in both Open B and Utility at the same show, so the ten legs require twenty qualifying scores). If "Frizzle" finishes, Texas will have (the only) two Norwich with UDX titles, the first being Sand-Castle Darcy UDX, MX, MXJ, owned by NNTC member Carlynn Ricks.
In other Norwich news, NNTC member Susan Novotny finished a CDX on SkyScot’s Trouble Scooter CDX, RE, MX, MXJ, NF. Scooter got his CDX with a first place win from Open A. And, in New England, still another Norwich, Ketta’s Nariposa AX, AXJ, owned by Esther Newton and Holly Hughes, has a new CD to add to her agility titles.

The bright spot on the Norfolk front is Pinchbeck Ozymandias RN, AX, AXJ, owned by NNTC member Linda Brennan. He earned his first CD leg at the Kimberton (Montgomery) trial with a super score of 198 and a third place in Novice B, having lost a run-off for second place. He was also High-Scoring Norfolk. High-Scoring Norwich at the Kimberton trial was NNTC member Betty McDonnell’s Ch. Kilyka’s High Voltage, CDX, NA, NAJ with a 194 and a placing. (This information is courtesy of NNTC member Linda Brennan).

I should mention that the way the Kimberton trial works (Kimberton is the obedience trial associated with Montgomery County weekend) is that a terrier club volunteers to sponsor it. NNTC sponsored the first one a few years ago; the 2007 event was sponsored by the Parson Russell Terrier Club. This club held one trial limited to Parson Russell Terriers and a second trial open to all terriers. Because of this two-trial format, space and time limitations did not allow them to offer the non-regular classes like the Team class that was so much fun two years ago.

I wish I had better news from my home front, but my youngest Norfolk, Tylwyth Lacy Redfur, CDX, RE, isn’t making progress toward the UD title—not conventional progress anyway. In unconventional progress, she no longer stops during a routine to growl at the evil little dog in the mirror, and she no longer leaves the ring to go after giant stuffed animals at ringside. She has fortunately not repeated her most notorious escapade—racing across several rings to throw herself at show photographers with squeak toys (it did give the rings a nice break from the judging). She has, however, perfected the technique of standing in the Utility ring and waving her little furry finger in my direction. At one show, this consisted of going out to the scent articles—well, actually, first going out to the ring gates, gates being far more interesting than articles—, finally deigning to notice the articles, working them, finding the correct one, flipping it with her nose so that it stood on end, then turning and walking away (no, not back to me, toward another ring that was obviously much more interesting). She is now relegated to Show and Go’s where I can step in and modify her actions. Sadly, unlike my UD Norfolks, Lacy never appears to be sorry for her behavior.

Good luck to everyone at the spring obedience shows and please remember, I am still looking for someone to offer to write about Rally for the News.

—Mary D. Fine, NNTC Obedience Chair, Storrs, CT (mfine01@snet.net)
NOTES FROM RESCUE AND REHOME

A comment from NNTC Rescue and Rehome Chair Sue Ely. Here are two Norwich rehome stories with happy endings to cheer everyone up. The first is from Carole Jungbluth of Franklin, Wisconsin, who wrote this account of a rescue/rehome she did about seven years ago. The second is from 8-year-old Will Hammond of Deep River, CT, who wrote about his beloved new Norwich, "Scruffy." [Ed.: I decided to publish Will's story in its original handwritten form to better convey its youthful charm.]

"Holly"

I had always wanted a Norwich Terrier since I was a young girl and saw pictures of them in my dog book. About seven years ago, we had two elderly dogs, and I contacted Sue Ely to see if I could get a rescued Norwich. I was not in a hurry. All our cats and one of our dogs had been rescues. Over the next year, several people contacted me about Norwich puppies that cost more than I could spend. Nor did I wish to buy a dog I could not see first. Then, two weeks before my 50th birthday, a woman in Wisconsin contacted me about a year-old Norwich bitch she did not wish to keep.

On a very hot August day, my girlfriend and I drove 2 1/2 hours to see the bitch. As we drove up to the house, we saw a little Norwich alone in an ex-pen right by the road. I could not believe that someone would leave a dog outside on such a hot day, even though the pen was under a big shade tree. We got out of the car and walked up to the pen; the dog was very excited to see someone. Poor little thing, she looked as if she had not been groomed since she came from the breeder. The owner came out of the house and told me that "Holly" was not exactly house-broken and that she hated riding in the car. She asked if I wanted the dog or not because she wanted to go golfing, so I would have to make up my mind then and there. Of course, I would rescue Holly! The little Norwich was so grateful that she rode in the car like an angel.

These folks had decided that they did not like Holly so they had kept her in a crate out on their porch. I also think that they hit her and yelled at her a lot because she would not walk into our house from the breezeway; she would just crouch and pee. It took five weeks of sending our old dogs in and out of the house before Holly finally came through the door. It took over a year and a half to have her stand outside the back door without her tail tucked and her ears back. One day, just after we got Holly, she peed right in front of me on the rug. Suspicious that there was something wrong with her, I tested her urine and discovered that she had a bladder infection. When her medical records were forwarded to us, we discovered that she had never had her adult shots. Maybe those people had the money to pay for a Norwich puppy, but that certainly did not mean they gave her a good home.

I decided to try Holly in Agility late in 2006. She was a natural, totally focused from the start. This fall (2007) she ran in her first AKC trials and got her Novice Jumper Preferred title after three runs! She is also a great hunter, and I plan to do Earthdog with her this year. Now Holly loves everyone she meets. She is good with other dogs she knows and she loves the car, although it is her mission to get her nose on all the windows! We have had her for 6 years now, and I am still in awe that we own such a wonderful breed. Everyone who meets her falls in love with her. I would like to say thank you to Sue for her faith in me, for giving me the opportunity to own the best of all the breeds. We must protect our breed from the puppy mills! —Carole Jungbluth
"Scruffy"

The angriest story about Scruffy is how we got him. I begged my dad for a puppy for a long time. He liked Airedales, but I wanted a smaller dog, so he said, "Maybe a Norwich Terrier would be the dog for us?" So one weekend when my mom and I were out, Dad wrote an email to the Norwich Terrier program. The lady wrote back saying sorry, no puppies, we only get older dogs. So that wouldn't work for a family with children. But right after she sent the email, she called on the phone. A lady in California got a puppy as a companion for her other dog but the other dog wasn't going to share her owner. She had to get him a home quick. So there were a lot of calls and emails and the California lady sent pictures of the puppy. She called him Sam because her other dog was Sandy. He was cute. They said, "Do you want him?" and we said yes! Then the California lady brought him to New York and I went with my dad to meet him. The puppy was on the plane all day and he was shy. But he didn't whimper when we took him to the car. We talked all the way home about a name for him. He slept all the way, with his butt on my lap and his head on the gear shift. Mom said I could decide his name and it was Scruffy.
SPRING 2008 EARTHDOG NEWS

While a good share of the country is still digging out from winter storms, our minds have already turned to planning the year's activities in earthdog training and trials. A brand new event will take place May 16-19 in Greeley, Colorado. The first Terriers Only Performance Summit (TOPS) will have four days of Obedience, Rally, Agility and Earthdog trials. The Earthdog test is sponsored by the Rocky Mountain Earthdog Club. This sounds like an exciting weekend for terriers only! For more information, go to www.tops2008.net. Another event for both novice and experienced earthdogs and their handlers is the New Jersey Beanfield Earthdog Club's annual Memorial Day week of earthdog practice, earthdog games, an AKC Earthdog Seminar, an AWTA Den Trial and an AKC Earthdog Test. For more information, go to www.njbeearthdogs.org.

NNTC member Lini Federici, breeder of "Rugby" Norfolk Terriers, was recently elected President of the New Jersey Beanfield Earthdog Club. Her Norfolks are both breed champions, have an ME and an AWTA Working Certificate, and also several agility titles. Congratulations!

There has been much discussion as to where to go after your dog has achieved the Master Earthdog title. The AKC has yet to come up with a plan, but several clubs hosting earthdog trials have developed their own "tests" that will challenge the Master Earthdogs and keep them active in trials. The Atlanta Earthdog Club's trial (February 9-10) will offer two classes for ME dogs: an Iron Dog which consists of a Q in SE and ME on the same day and an Enduro Dog consisting of Qs in JE, SE and ME on the same day. Although these awards are not recognized by the AKC, they will certainly be a welcome addition to the regular classes.

The winter months are notoriously lacking in earthdog title results. Sue Ely's Norfolk, Dove Hill Bisy Backson Browne, earned her AWTA Working Certificate last fall. Congratulations!

With the NNTC split, the hope is that Norwich and Norfolk participation at earthdog events will continue to increase and that we, as owners of these fine breeds, will continue to encourage our dogs to go to ground and to hunt.

—Peggy Metcalf, "Flurries" Norfolk Terriers, Camden, NY
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"Splish, splash this beats taking a bath."
BARBARA MILLER NAMED
2007 AKC BREEDER OF THE YEAR

Ed.: The following is from a December 5, 2007 AKC Press Release announcing Barbara Miller’s selection as the 2007 AKC Breeder of the Year. Congratulations, Barbara, on this prestigious award.—AGF

New York, N.Y.—Barbara Miller of Glen Head, NY was honored with the 2007 AKC Breeder of the Year Award at the AKC/Eukanuba National Championship on Saturday, December 1, 2007. The annual award honors those breeders who have dedicated their lives to improving the health, temperament and quality of purebred dogs.

“We are proud to honor Barbara’s dedication to the preservation of Norfolk Terriers by presenting her with this award,” said AKC Chairman of the Board Ron Menaker. “It is a true testament to her positive influences on the breed as well as her numerous contributions to the sport of purebred dogs in general.”

Barbara Miller of Max-Well Kennel calls her breed, “the little dog at the end of the terrier line.” However, throughout the years she has often found her Norfolks at the front of the line. Her dogs have won numerous all-breed Bests in Show and her breeding program has produced many champions.

Over the years, she has been very active in the breed’s parent club, holding various offices and committee positions, including serving as the AKC Gazette columnist for the club. She has been a member of the Long Island Kennel Club for more than 20 years, and is currently president and show chairman.

As the 2007 AKC Breeder of the Year recipient, Barbara will be honored with a commission from a canine portraitist to memorialize a prominent dog from her kennel. Her name will be inscribed on a perpetual trophy on permanent display at the AKC headquarters in New York City.

JUSTTERRIERS NORWICH TERRIER ISSUE

JustTerriers, published by Norwich breeder Suzanne Orban-Stagle Readmond, will be highlighting the Norwich Terrier in its summer issue. This issue will feature artwork and articles emphasizing all things Norwich! In addition, all Norwich ads will receive a $50 discount on a full color page. Each Norwich advertiser will also receive a complimentary copy of JustTerriers with their placement. Single issues will also be available for purchase ($15).

Deadline and ad placement information can be found on our website (www.justterriers.com) or you may contact Melanie@justterriers.com to reserve your page today!

—Melanie Vracas
GENERAL INTEREST

AKC RESPONSIBLE DOG OWNERSHIP DAY

Every year the AKC asks various member clubs such as all-breed, rescue, and parent breed clubs to participate in Responsible Dog Ownership Day (RDOD) at venues throughout the United States. The event in New York City was held on Saturday, September 15, 2007 at Madison Square Park, where the atmosphere was very upbeat. This was the first time that the NNCTC had participated in RDOD. At my side were NNCTC members Betty McDonnell (Kilyka) and Magda Omansky (Dig-N-Pop) with their Norwich and Robert and Henrietta Lachman (Braelands) with their Norfolk. I brought a fully vaccinated 4-month-old Norfolk with me. The day started out wet and dreary, but by mid-morning the weather cleared, which brought out a crowd of spectators.

Each club participating in RDOD had a table provided by the AKC on which to display as much literature as possible about their breeds. The NNCTC table had books, photos and club information. Magda’s Norwich did a few tricks for the spectators and, of course, my Norfolk puppy got kissed to death. Balloons flew high in the sky as the AKC staff, including President Dennis Sprung, saw to it that everything went smoothly. AKC provided lunch and also gave each club $60 to cover gas and parking expenses. Agility and Rally demonstrations were held as well as a raffle—won by Magda! At the end of the afternoon, I had to pry my pup away from a little girl who was being smothered in puppy kisses. That’s what RDOD is all about—showing the public that we are the “good guys” to help ward off anti-dog legislation. —Barbara Miller

NNCTC Norfolk member Henrietta Lachman "mSans" the NNCTC booth.

POTTY TRAINING, OPRAH-STYLE

Hi, Barbara:

I just wanted to let you know that our Norfolk Terrier, “Bolo,” is doing well. Jean and I love his extremely friendly personality. We find Bolo comical at times. For example, once Bolo was outside standing between two shrubs. Bolo had a tough decision. He couldn’t decide which bush to mark. So Bolo stood on just his two front legs and marked both shrubs while standing upside down.

I was able to train Bolo to ring a bell when he needs to go “potty”. I got the idea from watching Oprah Winfrey’s special show about dogs. Oprah’s dog trainer, Tamar Geller, said that dogs could be trained to use a bell to notify the owner when they need to potty. The bell I used is really several Christmas bells attached to a leather strap. Here’s how I trained Bolo:

1. Using treats and lavish praise, I got Bolo to touch the bell using any part of his body. Bolo learned to respond to the command “TOUCH”.
2. After Bolo mastered the “TOUCH” command, I hung the bell strap on the backdoor. When I thought Bolo needed to potty, I would say, “Bolo, POTTY?” Then I would immediately grab Bolo, touch the bell on the door with Bolo’s paw, and say “TOUCH” as I exited to take him outside to potty. Whenever Bolo did potty, I would lavish him with more praise. After several weeks, Bolo finally made the connection with touching the bell when he needed to potty. —Warrenton Loving

Ed.: Barbara Miller received the following note from a Max-Well puppy owner about his unusual, but successful, housebreaking routine.—AGF
All-boy triplets (l. to r.) "Java," "Hemi" and "Watson" Herstein

Ruddy "Rudy" Neeson

4-month-old "Winnie" Harrold

A trio of "tinytowne" tots

"Magic" Omansky stonewalling
CLINIC (BREED HEALTH)

NNTC PARTICIPATION IN CHIC IS UNDER WAY

NNTC participation in the Canine Health Information Center (CHIC) is up and running. Although the program is still in its infancy, the number of dogs enrolled for both breeds is very encouraging. To date, twenty-three Norwich members have registered forty-three dogs; twelve Norfolk members have CHIC numbers for twenty-one dogs. Our ongoing goal is to bring as many Norwich and Norfolk into the program as possible. CHIC is not the answer to our breeds' health problems, but its open registry is an important tool to assist breeders in making intelligent health decisions about breeding. For example, a dog/bitch with mildly dysplastic hips or a dog/bitch with a slight heart murmur should not necessarily be removed from a breeding program. Rather, that dog's/bitch's owner can use the CHIC health information to breed to a dog/bitch who has good hips and one who no evidence of a heart murmur. If you do not know your dog's condition relative to the CHIC breed health tests, then how can you breed healthier Norwich and Norfolk Terriers? For more information about CHIC, log on to the CHIC web page at www.caninehealthinfo.org, and also check the article "CHIC FAQ" in this newsletter.

Norfolk breeders should note that there has been a change in the health test requirements for Norwich CHIC numbers. The Fall 2007 News reported the following health test requirements for Norwich Terriers:

1. OFA hip or PennHIP evaluation
2. OFA patellae evaluation
3. CERF eye evaluation
4. OFA heart examination (echocardiogram using color flow Doppler and performed by a board certified cardiologist).

Subsequently, the NNTC Board approved the following requirements:

1. OFA patellae evaluation
2. CERF eye evaluation
3. OFA heart examination (echocardiogram using color flow Doppler and performed by a board certified cardiologist).

Recommended health tests: OFA hip or PennHIP evaluation; Ichthyosis.

N.B.: Only the required Norfolk health tests are necessary to obtain a CHIC number. The recommended tests are optional.

The Norwich health test requirements reported in the Fall 2007 News—OFA hip or PennHIP evaluation, OFA patellae evaluation, CERF eye examination—have not changed.

—Kathleen Eimil, NNTC CHIC Liaison, San Francisco, CA (Mayfairke@aol.com)

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS ABOUT CHIC

How does my dog qualify for a CHIC number?

• Have your dog tested for the stated health requirements for its breed.
• Release the test results to CHIC's open registry. In the middle of the OFA form, you will need to initial the release of test results. For CERF, no initials are required.

My dog has met all the health requirements; is anything else required?

• All dogs must have some form of permanent ID, whether a tattoo or a microchip.
Do I submit my dog’s test results to CHIC?

- No, once all the health requirements are met, test results will automatically be generated via a hookup of CERF and OFA databases with CHIC.

How much will it cost for my dog to have a CHIC number?

- There is no fee required.

After fulfilling the requirements, how long will it take to receive a CHIC number?

- CHIC data is usually updated quarterly. You can check the CHIC website (www.caninehealth-info.org) to see if your dog is listed. CHIC will also mail you a certificate with your dog’s CHIC number.

Do test results have to be normal to receive a CHIC number?

- No, but please remember that all tests results must be released whether normal or not.

Why should I pursue a CHIC number for my dog?

- As breeders and owners of stud dogs and brood bitches, we have a responsibility to breed wisely and to be cognizant of the health problems in our breed. We have an obligation to our dogs, to ourselves, to other breeders and to the people who purchase the dogs we breed.

—Kathleen Eimil, NNTC CHIC Liaison, San Francisco, CA

NORWICH UPPER AIRWAY SYNDROME (UAS):
A MULTI-PRONGED ISSUE

In 2004, European Norwich Terrier breeders initiated a study of breathing problems in the breed. The first and most extensive study was conducted at the University of Berne in Switzerland. Soon after the conclusion of the Berne study, another Norwich-specific study was done at the University of Zurich. That study's results were published in 2005, but only in German. Instead of waiting for its English translation, I decided to brush up on my German. I read the study in the original, enlisting the help of my German mother-in-law. What follows is not an official translation, but rather a summary of what I comprehended from reading these Swiss studies. I also spent literally hundreds of hours talking to veterinary respiratory specialists across the USA so that I would better understand the subject. I do hope that sharing the little I know about the European studies will help other Norwich breeders deal with diagnostic procedures on affected dogs as well as make better decisions in their breeding plans. I will share the interviews I conducted with specialists in this country in a separate article to be published in the Fall News. All information contained in this article is a result of my solitary research. I am not a member of the NNTC sub-committee on Norwich UAS, and I bear sole responsibility for any inaccuracies or omissions.
"TALENT" FORM

If you are interested in working for your breed's new club, please fill out this form and return it at your earliest convenience to Barbara Miller, 135 High Farms Road, Old Brookville, NY 11545. Thank you.

Name (block print)______________________________

Phone______________________________

Address (block print)______________________________

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My Breed is (block print)______________________________

My vocation is____________________________________
(example: lawyer, florist)

My interest (hobby) other than my dogs is:
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Committees and Talents I Can Bring My Skills To:
Please circle as many choices as you want!

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HOSPITALITY
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NOTIONS (breed arts and crafts items, etc.)
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Study at the University of Berne, Switzerland

The most extensive study of Norwich breathing was conducted at the University of Berne, where over 200 European Norwich were scoped. It is of utmost importance to note that the dogs were assigned randomly to the research. This was not just a study of dogs that exhibited symptoms of respiratory disorders. My understanding is that all Swiss Norwich breeders participated in this study, along with many other European breeders. It was a systematic study that established a grading system for UAS in the breed. Unfortunately, the official study results have not yet been published, so that what we know has been related to us by the participants, especially a report given to the Swiss kennel club for the Swiss-owned dogs.

The grading was based on a point system in checking the following:

- Length and thickness of the soft palate
- Edema of the laryngopharynx
- Laryngeal saccules and glottal folds
- Epiglottis (shape and cysts)
- Roof of the pharynx
- Tonsils
- Trachea (size and shape)
- Form, stability and placement of the laryngeal cartilage

Each part of the dog's respiratory system was assigned points, based on visual examination via endoscope. Tracheas suspected of collapse were also x-rayed on inhale and exhale to determine the severity of the collapse. Points were added and dogs received grades similar to school grades, except that instead of A- or B-, they received A2 and B2 grading respectively. Based on the anatomical criteria, the possible grades were A1, A2, B1, B2, C1, C2, D1, D2, E1, E2.

Study at the University of Zurich, Switzerland (Published in 2005)

The Berne study inspired an independent research project conducted at the University of Zurich that compared Norwich respiratory functions to those of brachycephalic breeds. The examination methods used by Dr. Marisa Rosaspinas’s team were more extensive than in the Berne study. In addition to laryngoscopy, the dogs underwent rhinomanometry (which I will explain a bit later), measurements of the nostrils, and radiographs of the skull and the thorax.

Dogs participating in this study included 23 Norwich Terriers and 8 Beagles representing the mesocephalic breeds, and 8 brachycephalic dogs. Cephalic index refers to the size and shape of the skull. All dogs are classified into three groups based on that index: dolichocephalic (long-headed), mesocephalic (moderate-headed), or brachycephalic (broad-headed). A brachycephalic skull is relatively broad and short, typically with the breadth at least 80% of the length. Dog breeds such as Pugs and Bulldogs belong in this group, where the muzzle practically disappears. A mesocephalic skull is of intermediate length and width, and both Norwich Terriers and Beagles belong in this category. A dolichocephalic skull is a relatively long skull, typically with the breadth less than 80% or 75% of the length. Think Whippet or Borzoi.

The Zurich researchers visually examined the dogs’ soft palates for size, thickness and presence of any deformities. The drawing on the left illustrates an exam-
ple of an elongated soft palate, the most common abnormality of the palate found in Norwich. Nineteen of the 23 Norwich in the study were diagnosed with this condition.

As in the Berne study, all the dogs in the Zurich study underwent laryngoscopy. A flexible tube of an endoscope, equipped with a camera, travelled down the dog's respiratory tract. Laryngoscopy required anesthesia. The most common abnormalities found in the Norwich were enlarged tonsils and everted laryngeal sacculs (ELS). Of the 23 Norwich examined, 20 exhibited enlarged tonsils and 17 had ELS. Other respiratory disorders included narrowed tracheas in 2 Norwich and laryngeal collapse in one Norwich. The brachycephalic group exhibited a similar incidence of respiratory tract malfunctions. The 8 Beagles in the study all tested clear.

The illustration on the right pertains to Rhinomanometry, another diagnostic procedure used in the Zurich study by Dr. Rosaspa. Rhinomanometry ("rhino" means "nose" in Greek, and "manometry" refers to taking measurements) is a relatively new method used to measure the airflow and pressure within the nose during respiration. Nasal resistance or obstruction can be calculated from the figures obtained. This is a highly accurate method of measuring the airflow and thereby indicating constrictions in the dog's nasal passages. The metal hook marked as "Metallhaken" in the drawing separates the nasal passages from the rest of the respiratory tract. The anesthetized dog has the metal hook inserted and then wears a mask connected to a rhinomenometer. To create a seal between the mask and the dog's palate, ordinary pizza dough was used, where the drawing shows the bell-shaped mask marked as "Glocke." The device pumps air into the dog's nasal cavities and measures the return of the airflow. During the procedure, the dog is breathing through a tube inserted into his mouth and throat. Based on the Rhinomanometry test, the Norwich in the study showed resistance in the airflow, indicating stenotic nares (constricted nasal passages). The incidence of stenotic nares was higher in the brachycephalic dogs. The Beagles showed no restriction in nasal passages.

Using both visual observation and measurements, the study determined that only brachycephalic dogs had pinched nostrils. The drawing on the left shows severely pinched nostrils in a brachycephalic dog, with a dashed line indicating a suggested surgical correction of cutting away tissue. The illustration on the right shows slightly constricted nostrils. None of the 23 Norwich Terriers or the 8 Beagles exhibited that condition. It is important to note that even though their nostrils were of proper size, Norwich did exhibit restricted airflow though their nasal cavity as measured by Rhinomanometry.
The object of the Zurich study was to compare the Norwich breed and brachycephalic dogs in reference to respiratory problems. The diagnostic procedures described above indicated that brachycephalic syndrome affects the Norwich breed, although Norwich Terriers belong to the mesocephalic group of dogs. To complete the study, researchers compared the skulls of the Norwich Terriers, the Beagles and the brachycephalic dogs through x-rays and skull measurements. The authors of the study concluded that Norwich are clearly not a brachycephalic breed, and so they found no correlation between skull size and respiratory problems.

The ultimate conclusion of the study was to suggest that brachycephalic syndrome be renamed, as it does not only affect brachycephalic breeds. It clearly affects the Norwich breed as well.

The Zurich study comparing Norwich to brachycephalic breeds initiated yet another study, still in progress. This new study, under Dr. Daniel Koch, is questioning Dr. Maris Rosaspina's conclusion that skull size is not related to respiratory problems. Initial results of this latest study indicate that, indeed, Norwich do not have skulls similar to brachycephalic breeds, but that within the Norwich Terriers examined, there is a clear pattern of dogs with shorter muzzles and wider skulls being more affected with UAS. To quote Dr. Koch: "It is very probable, that the shortened nose and the narrow nostrils are the main origin for the enhanced under-pressure in the upper airways and that all other signs, as well as the overlong soft palate, are secondary manifestations."

To read more about this new study that will conclude in December 2008, please go to www.research-projects.uzh.ch/p3008.htm

**Cellular Oxygenation Study at the University of Zurich**

(Published in 2004)

While perusing a wonderful online library of research papers at the University of Zurich, I came upon a fascinating study by Dr. Daniel Koch. The aim of his research was to estimate the tissue oxygen saturation of brachycephalic dogs. Dr. Koch was demonstrating that by measuring blood serum VEGF and EPO, an objective grading system can be established for brachycephalic syndrome. Imagine! A blood test that would objectively indicate the degree of oxygen deprivation on a cellular level! I love numbers because you cannot skew them with interpretation too easily. A blood test giving VEGF levels offers a more objective grading system than an interpretational test like a visual examination. It also offers a much less invasive and a much less costly alternative to laryngoscopy.

VEGF stands for vascular endothelial growth factor, a signaling protein that I like to call "a messenger of bad news". Whenever VEGF levels rise, it's always bad news. EPO stands for erythropoietin, a hormone regulating red blood cell production. EPO is a "good guy." The authors of this study made a few assumptions, namely that hypoxia (shortage of oxygen in the body) induces the release of VEGF and lowers the production of EPO. Researchers measured serum VEGF and EPO levels before physical exercise and then 4 hours afterwards. Eight brachycephalic dogs and 8 mesocephalic dogs participated in the study. The study concluded that measuring a dog's VEGF values before and 4 hours after exercise provides an instrument to estimate not only oxygen saturation, but also the success of any surgical correction in brachycephalic dogs. Similarly, dogs that underwent corrective surgeries can be evaluated by measuring VEGF levels post-exercise to determine the success of the surgery.
Interestingly, page 12 of this study specifically lists Norwich Terriers as a mesocephalic breed that can benefit from this test. I have contacted various respiratory specialists across the USA hoping to repeat the above study and confirm the usefulness of serum VEGF reading as a biological marker for UAS, especially in dogs that do not exhibit signs of respiratory distress but that are breeding stock and thus should be screened for UAS. I believe this is a promising test, obviously much less invasive and costly than a purely diagnostic endoscopy, but so far I have not been successful in generating enough interest. If any readers of this article have suggestions for research facilities that might be interested in repeating the Zurich oxygenation study on Norwich Terriers in America, I would welcome your input.

By presenting solid scientific data on Norwich breathing problems, this article has, I hope, enhanced Norwich breeders' awareness of UAS as a serious condition in the breed. My future article will include a more practical guide to understanding symptoms associated with various expressions of UAS, the ABCs of respiratory tract anatomy, a discussion of protocols used for scoping Norwich in the USA, and some ideas about a likely mode of inheritance. I have spent literally hundreds of hours researching the subject. I am asking for only one reward. Please take UAS seriously when planning your future breedings. Please understand that there is much more to UAS than an occasional occurrence or an easy surgical fix. According to published research, open to peer review, UAS is more than a problem with sacculles evertting. The scientific data indicates that it's a multi-pronged issue, widespread and serious. Laryngeal collapse and tracheal collapse can be life threatening. They do not exist in isolation from other less serious conditions. Let's work together on a better understanding of UAS to eventually eradicate this problem from the Norwich breed.

—Magda Omansky, Dig-N-Pop Norwich, Murray Hill, NJ (dignpop@aol.com)

CUSHING'S DISEASE

Ed.: After several owners of older Norwich Terriers mentioned to me that their dogs had recently been diagnosed with Cushing's Disease, I asked NNTC Norwich Health & Genetics Vice-Chair Laura McLain Madsen DVM to write an article about this disease. Thanks, Laura.—AGF

Cushing's disease, or hyperadrenocorticism, is a common endocrine disorder in dogs. Symptoms can be quite variable, and diagnosis is sometimes challenging. Cushing's is usually seen in older dogs, both male and female, and can affect any breed, although certain breeds are predisposed (Boston Terriers, Poodles, Dachshunds and Boxers).

Hyperadrenocorticism refers to a hyperactive adrenal gland. The adrenal glands (located near the kidneys) produce several hormones, including cortisol. The classic symptoms of Cushing's disease are due to this overproduction of cortisol. The symptoms include:

- Drinking excessively (polydipsia)
- Urinating excessively (polyuria)
- Ravenous appetite (polyphagia)
- Susceptibility to infections (especially skin and bladder)
- Thin skin
- "Pot belly" appearance
- Lethargy
- Excessive panting
- Weight gain
- Hair loss
- Poor healing
- Sometimes symptoms are vague, and Cushing's is only suspected based on abnormal results seen on routine blood work.

Cushing's may result from one of two mechanisms:

- Pituitary-dependent hyperadrenocorticism (PDH). A small tumor develops in the pituitary gland in the brain. This tumor usually does not cause any primary symptoms in the brain, but overproduces a hormone called ACTH, which stimulates the adrenals to overproduce cortisol. PDH is more commonly seen in small-breed dogs.
• **Adrenal tumor (AT).** A tumor develops in one of the adrenal glands, and overproduces cortisol. AT is more commonly seen in large-breed dogs.

Diagnosis of Cushing’s may be fairly straightforward, or may be challenging. Routine blood and urine tests are run first. A few clues that may be seen include elevated liver enzymes, dilute urine, and evidence of a urinary tract infection. If the veterinarian is suspicious of Cushing’s, a variety of more advanced tests may be required. None of the tests is perfect, so several may need to be run. Advanced tests include:

  • **Urine cortisol/creatinine ratio.** This is used as a screening test and measures cortisol in the urine. If it is normal, the dog does not have Cushing’s, but if it is elevated, further tests must be run.

  • **ACTH stimulation test.** In this test, a blood sample is obtained, then an injection of synthetic ACTH is given, and a second blood sample is taken an hour later. The “before” and “after” levels of cortisol are measured. A dog with Cushing’s will show an exaggerated response.

  • **Low-dose dexamethasone suppression test.** In this test, a blood sample is obtained, then an injection of dexamethasone is given, and more blood samples are taken after 4 and 8 hours. Again, the “before” and “after” cortisol levels are measured. In a normal dog, the “after” levels will be decreased, but a dog with Cushing’s will not show a decrease.

  • **Abdominal ultrasound.** This test is run to differentiate PDH from AT. Typically in PDH, both adrenals are uniformly enlarged, while in AT, the tumor is visible in one adrenal while the other adrenal is shrunkken.

  • **Endogenous ACTH.** This test also differentiates PDH from AT, because the level of ACTH produced by the pituitary will be high in PDH and low in AT.

After we have diagnosed Cushing’s and determined whether it is due to PDH or AT, treatment can begin. The goals of treatment are to get the dog back to normal activity, appetite, water intake and urination. For an adrenal tumor, the mainstay of treatment is surgery to excise the tumor. Removal of the adrenal gland is an advanced surgery that may need to be performed by a surgical specialist.

Pituitary-dependent Cushing’s cannot be cured, but can be managed long-term, like diabetes or heart disease. Several medications are commonly used:

  • **Mitotane (Lysodren).** Mitotane kills cells of the adrenal gland. Treatment is in two phases: the induction phase (the medication is given twice daily to kill off a large percentage of adrenal cells), and the maintenance phase (the medication is given once or twice per week to prevent overproduction of cortisol). Mitotane is potentially dangerous, so the dog must be monitored very closely during the induction phase, which lasts 5-14 days. For a dog who has previously been a ravenous eater, on the first day of treatment that he takes ten minutes to eat his food, he must be rechecked by a veterinarian. Side-effects of mitotane are vomiting, diarrhea, lethargy and loss of appetite. Mitotane can also be used for treatment of an adrenal tumor if surgery is not feasible.

  • **Trilostane.** Trilostane inhibits formation of cortisol. This drug is not approved in the USA, but may be imported.

  • **Ketoconazole.** Ketoconazole is typically used as an anti-fungal, but it also inhibits formation of cortisol. Side effects include vomiting, diarrhea, and liver toxicity.

  • **Selegiline (L-deprenyl, Anipryl).** Selegiline is typically used for canine cognitive dysfunction (“doggy Alzheimer’s”), but may be helpful for certain cases of PDH.

Although all of the medications have potential side effects, Cushing’s is usually successfully treated. Dogs with Cushing’s can generally have a normal life-span with a good quality of life.

—Laura McLain Madsen DVM, NNTC Norwich Health & Genetics Vice-Chair (lauradogdoctor@comcast.net)
PREVENTING DENTAL DISEASE IN SMALL DOGS

While oral care is important for all pets, it is critical for small dogs. Small dogs often develop tartar and gum disease at an early age. Gum disease is painful and can lead to damaged teeth that may need to be extracted. It is the most common infectious disease our pets develop. Eighty-five percent of pets 3 years and older need some treatment for gum disease. Does your pet’s breath always smell bad? If so, he likely has gum disease.

Gum disease can be prevented by good oral care that begins early in the pet’s life. Brushing the teeth every day is the most important step. This helps remove the plaque while it is still soft before it has a chance to harden into tartar.

Dr. Ed Taylor, a veterinarian in central Virginia who specializes in canine dentistry, has the following recommendations on his website (www.virginiavetinarydentistry.com) for getting your pet on a daily tooth brushing schedule: “Just as with our own teeth, brushing is the most effective way of controlling plaque, and all the problems that plaque will lead to. Most pets will learn to accept this procedure, especially if begun early in life. BRUSHING DOES NOT HAVE TO BE A CHORE! Start slowly and make it fun for the pet. Begin simply by handling your pet’s mouth daily. Gently insert your finger into the cheek while holding the mouth closed. Make the same motions with your finger that you would make in brushing. While getting your pet used to this, offer good tasting “treats” on a small soft toothbrush. A few drops of chicken broth or milk will not upset the stomach or nutritional balance, but will help overcome your pet’s anxiety about the brush. Once your pet is coming eagerly for his “treat” and is accustomed to having his mouth handled, you simply combine the two new games. Simple back and forth motions are practical, but circular motions are more effective. The whole process shouldn’t take more than a minute. Since plaque and tartar begin forming on the outside (cheek) surfaces of the teeth, it is usually not necessary to open the mouth and brush the tongue side. Brushing daily is best because the soft plaque hardens into tartar in 24 hours. Plan the brushing procedure so that it is followed by something your pet likes—mealtime, a game, a walk, etc.”

There are a variety of pet toothpastes on the market. Your veterinarian should have toothpaste available in such flavors as Salmon, Poultry, Beef, Malt, and Vanilla Mint. Flavored toothpastes help make brushing more enjoyable for the pet and are safe to be swallowed. Do not use human toothpastes, peroxide, or baking soda.

There is an excellent video provided by My Vet Online that shows how to brush your dog’s teeth. You can find this video by going to our clinic’s website at: www.earlysvilleanimalhospital.com and clicking on the link to My Vet Online.

Another thing you can do at home to keep your pet’s mouth healthy is to feed a diet that helps prevent tartar accumulation. Hill’s makes a prescription diet called T/D that does just that. The T/D pieces are formulated so that they don’t shatter when the pet chews them. Instead, the teeth sink into the biscuit before it breaks and the food actually scrapes the sides of the teeth. Most Eukanuba and Iams dry diets are made with a substance that has been incorporated into the diet called hexametaphosphate or HMP. The HMP binds the calcium that would otherwise contribute to hardening of the plaque into calculus. Regular dry diets are not as helpful as you might think at minimizing the accumulation of tartar. They often shatter when the dog bites them and don’t scrape the teeth as well as we would like. The same is true with many dog biscuits that advertise that they help prevent tartar.

Although chewing is helpful in keeping teeth and gums healthy, what the dog chews is very important. Many items including bones, ice cubes, sticks, rocks, and even some toys cause more harm than good. If an object is too hard, it may break the pet’s teeth. Have you ever damaged a tooth? It is incredibly painful. Damaged and broken dog teeth are very painful as well. However, dogs instinctively hide their pain. They will still eat even when their mouths hurt badly, so the thought that, “He’s eating OK” does not mean that, “He is OK.” Unfortunately, the teeth most often injured are the dog’s major teeth including
the premolars, molars, and canine teeth. Once injured, these teeth require root canals or extractions. The only safe things for most pets to chew on are rubber toys like Kongs, rawhide chips that are not too hard, and rope toys. As always, observe your dog! Rawhide chews are not supposed to be swallowed whole, and toys are not made to be swallowed at all!

Despite your best efforts at home dental care, most pets will still need routine professional cleaning once or twice a year. I brush my own teeth several times a day and floss morning and night. However, my dental hygienist still cleans my teeth twice a year. Your pet is no different. Home care will keep his teeth and gums as healthy as possible, but you cannot clean under the gumline where periodontal disease starts or get every bit of tartar from between his teeth at home. This procedure will be done under anesthesia. Veterinarians cannot do an adequate professional teeth cleaning on your pet if he is awake, no matter how well trained and compliant the dog is.

A dog’s advanced age is not a valid reason to discontinue teeth cleaning. Pain and infection are common in our older pets. We can’t give our pets the “retirement” they deserve if we don’t keep their mouths as healthy as possible. With presurgical blood tests, modern anesthetic agents, and intense monitoring, professional dental care can make a huge difference in your older dog’s health and well being.

Many veterinarians offer a product called “OraVet” that can be applied to your pet’s teeth during their dental cleaning. This acts as a sealant to the teeth. OraVet gel needs to be reapplied at home once a week. This product does help reduce new tartar buildup, but does not replace daily tooth brushing as the most effective thing you can do for your pet’s teeth and gums.

I have always had a small dog as part of my family and learned the importance of canine dental care when I was a teenager with my first dog. I am convinced that improved oral health helps small dogs lead longer, happier, and more comfortable lives. Great home care and excellent professional dental care combine to keep your pet’s mouth healthy. Professional dental cleaning should include: charting, scaling the entire tooth (including under the gum), polishing, and dental x-rays of any damaged teeth. Many veterinarians have advanced training and equipment and can perform tooth extractions with minimal pain to the patient and trauma to the mouth. Veterinary dental specialists routinely perform root canals and other advanced procedures to save damaged teeth. They are also highly trained and can perform advanced oral surgery to remove tumors and treat other abnormalities of the mouth. A list of veterinary dental specialists is available at: www.avdonline.org.

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CANINE HERPES VIRUS

Norfolk breeders concern themselves with heart murmurs, eye tests, patellas and hips, but have we ever given thought to Canine Herpes? It seems this virus reared its ugly head in the 1960’s. Herpes virus affects all breeds of dogs from the time of breeding to the whelping box. I always thought I knew what to do to keep my dogs healthy and, according to what I’ve been reading, for the most part I do. I follow all the protocol, but Herpes virus can outsmart even the cleverest breeder.

Last year when visiting my handler and Max-Well partner Susie Kipp, I was excited about a young singleton male puppy; he looked so promising even though he was only eighteen days old. He died the following day while I was on the plane heading back to New York. Susie began her investigations with a marvelous vet who happens to be a Corgi breeder. The words Canine Herpes became part of our vocabulary, but it wasn’t until January 2008 that I began a serious quest to try to find some answers to this problem. NNTC Health Chair and fellow Norfolk breeder Carol Falk put me in touch with a friend of hers who breeds Labs and who has had the Herpes problem. I put my vet, Dr. Robert Henrickson, in touch with
the Merial Lab in Belgium. Merial has produced a vaccine for Herpes that is readily available in England and European countries, but not in the USA. This makes no sense to me. I spoke with Norfolk/Norwich breeder Eileen Needham in England and got more information. I sent that information to my vet. My vet contacted his old school, Cornell. I also obtained helpful information on the Internet by "googling" Canine Herpes.

What have I found out from all my research on Herpes virus? Hormonal stress in bitches may play a major role in acquiring the virus. A bitch may be stressed for many reasons: dog shows, shipping to be bred, multiple dogs in the household/kennel, etc. Herpes virus can also be carried home on your clothes from a dog show, grooming shop, or even an obedience class. To compensate for any stress, it is best to breed your bitch at home or at least to drive her back and forth to the stud. Prior to breeding, the bitch should have a complete workup, cervical culture, thyroid, blood count, Herpes titer to determine that she is in perfect health. Assuming she is in good health, once she is bred, certainly do not take her to dog shows. If you have a pregnant bitch at home and are returning from a show, change your clothes and remove your shoes and give them all a thorough cleaning. This virus infects the reproductive tract, which allows it to be passed on to puppies. It can cause infertility, stillborns and abortion. There is also belief that it can cause kennel cough because Herpes resides in the respiratory tract.

Because Herpes is a viral disease, antibiotics are not helpful as those medications affect only bacterial infections. In addition to being transmitted sexually, Herpes can also be transmitted from an infected to an uninfected dog by nosing, sniffing and licking. The Herpes virus can become airborne from nasal secretions of the mother or to puppy. Puppy is born, mommy licks pup/ breathes on pup, pup inhales mom's Herpes virus, pup is infected. All the information I obtained recommends that the bitch be isolated for the last three weeks prior to whelping and for three weeks thereafter. From now on, I will isolate the bitch the minute she's been bred and for my usual six weeks after whelping.

Once a pup is exposed, it takes about a week for the virus to take hold. This is why one to three-week-old puppies are at the highest risk of infection. A puppy or an entire litter of puppies dying of Herpes can be quite sudden. One day the litter seems to be thriving; the next day they perish, one by one. Herpes is referred to as CHV (canine herpesvirus) and it is believed to be the leading cause of death in puppies. A puppy that has been infected will have red spots, as if it has been bruised, with a rash on the stomach. An infected puppy will scream loudly, be in severe pain, and lose weight. We all know that keeping puppies warm is essential for their survival. Because Herpes cannot survive in hot temperatures, it is recommended that breeders keep their whelping areas as close to 100 degrees as possible, for at least three weeks. Make certain the interior of the whelping box is warm. I use a space heater; some breeders use heat lamps and heating pads. Whatever method you select, high heat is of the utmost importance.

It is imperative that breeders know which of their dogs, both male and female, has a titer to Herpes. **It is the unexposed bitches that are at risk for infection during pregnancy.** These bitches do not have any antibodies. Recently one of my bitches had a singleton pup, stillborn. Preliminary necropsy results from Purdue University indicated that the pup died of Herpes. The dam's titer was negative. As of this writing, the full report is not available from Purdue. We've all heard of "fading puppy syndrome;" just possibly this may be a result of the Herpes virus.

The worst of it all is that in the USA there is no known treatment or available vaccine for preventing Herpes. So where does that leave American breeders? In my research, I came across only one paper suggesting that bitches with Herpes not be bred. Whether they should be bred or not is up to the breeder. Once a dog is infected, it is infected for life. To fight the disease, cleaning floors, kennels and other dog surfaces with bleach is a major help. Even though I've been diligent, my Norfolk still have the virus. On a plus note, if a pregnant bitch has been exposed prior to pregnancy, she usually has enough antibodies for her puppies. Puppies are more at risk if the dam has contracted the virus during pregnancy. Other suggestions such as a high whelping room temperature, a glucose solution such as Ringers Solution with 5% Dextrose, an anti-diarrhea liquid such as Pedialyte are all helpful in prevention. Another suggestion that
some reproductive vets and vet schools are supporting is that of using plasma. There is a laboratory manufacturing plasma from the blood of Greyhounds which your vet can obtain for you. Carol Falk’s friend recommended that my veterinarian draw blood from my highest titered Norfolk and have it spun down to plasma. She also suggested that the whelp be removed from the dam the moment it appears so that the dam doesn’t have the opportunity to lick it. Getting the pup quickly, drying it off, and then orally administering the plasma are important. In my case, plasma was given orally within 24 hours. After 24 hours, plasma must be given by injection. None of my research on Herpes virus mentioned using plasma, but if it works, that’s what is important. Lastly, my vet suggested Valtrex, which is a product for human herpes. The pill has a coating and is difficult to break. I took a hammer to it and soaked the remains in a drop of boiled water. I then strained it through cheese cloth and added a little Esbilac. I administered about 6-8 drops to each of the three puppies. I did this when the puppies were two days old and again on the fourth day. Whatever I did I did as a preventative measure, not knowing whether this litter was Herpes positive or not. Waiting might mean losing the entire litter, and I didn’t want to take that chance.

Unfortunately trying to smuggle the Merial vaccine into this country can result in an ugly confrontation with U. S. Customs. American canine vaccine companies are way behind the times on Canine Herpes for whatever their reasons might be. “Houston we have a problem.” It’s time for breeders to insist that the powers that be step forward and offer their help. Breeding is an expensive hobby. We need help and we need it now!

—Barbara Miller, “Max-Well” Norfolk Terriers

“Ace” of Hearts
**NEW TITLE HOLDERS**

**CH. MAX-WELL’S CANDY CANE**
(Ch. Max-Well’s Junior Mint x Ch. Max-Well’s American Doll)
Breeders: Barbara Miller and Susan Kipp
Owner: Kathy Kopack
"Cece" finished with four majors.

**CH. ABBEDALE RING O’BRODGRAR**
(Ch. Dralion’s Smiles and Chuckles x Ch. Abbedale The Brass Ring)
Breeders: Joan Eckert and Bonnie Johnson
Owners: Nancy Ann Wise, Larry Hottot and Joan Eckert
"Brody" began his quest for his championship at 7 months, winning Best of Opposite Sex at the 2007 NNTCGC Specialty. He finished in the grandest style, taking Winners Dog at the 2007 Devon Show handled by the incomparable Roxanne Stamm. We are so proud of Brody!

**CH. HUNTSMAN WOODLAND CAMPER**
(Ch. Sandpiper’s Tommy Brook x Fieldstream Red Hot Summer)
Breeder: Robyn Snyder
Owners: Robyn Snyder and Anita Iseman
"Camper" at 14 months took Best of Breed and a Bred-by-Exhibitor Group 1 on his first two days of showing last April. He finished his championship in 7 shows and was #7 Norfolk in breed for 2007. It is a dream to watch him move.
CH. LITTLEFIELD PARMIGIANO REGGIANO
(Ch. SkyScot's Cowboy Up x Ch. Littlefield Keri on Regardless)
Breeder: Leandra Little
Owners: Nico and Meaghan Esposito and Leandra Little

"Reggie" finished within a month of his debut at the 2007 NNTCGC Specialty where he was BOW/Best Puppy under Judge Ken McDermott. He was Puppy Group 1 at the IKC show under judge Louis Auslander and took a Terrier Group 3 from the puppy class at the Tullahoma KC show under judge Sandra Goose Allen. Reggie was nationally ranked in the top ten Norwich (breed) in very limited showing (4 weeks).

CH. LITTLEFIELD CUSTOM TAILORED FOR CULPEPPER
(Ch. SkyScot's Cowboy Up x Ch. Littlefield Keri on Regardless)
Breeder: Leandra Little
Owners: Karen Friedman and Leandra Little

"Ari" was Winners Dog at both 2007 Hatboro shows—under judges Geoff Corish (Hatboro 1) and Beth Sweigart (Hatboro 2). He was owner-handled to his championship by Karen Friedman.

CH. ROSECROFT SHOW & TELL
(Ch. Bilbrough Six Shooter x Ch. Rosecroft Once Again)
Breeder: W. Gary Baker
Owners: Richard Greathouse, Carolyn Taylor and W. Gary Baker

"Annie" finished her championship in tough Texas competition with handler Betty Bossio. Annie will be bred in the spring.
NEW TITLE HOLDERS

CH. REGENCY’S AGAIN I SAY REJOICE
(Ch. Max-Well’s Comet x Ch. Regency’s Jerusalem Dream)
Breeders/Owners: Tina and Mike Dennis

“Joy” started her show career with a Best in Sweepstakes at the 2007 BNNTC Specialty. She went on that day to win Best of Winners from the Bred by Exhibitor Class. During Montgomery weekend, she went Best of Winners from the 12 to 18 months class at Hatboro II for her fourth major (4 points).

CH. REGENCY’S PRAYER REQUEST
(Ch. Max-Well Cool Water x Ch. Regency’s Answered Prayer)
Breeders: Tina and Mike Dennis
Owners: Erwin Davenport and Tina Dennis

“Reggie” is co-owner Erwin Davenport’s first show dog. She picked up her first major under judge Jon Cole and finished by going BOB over the special under judge David Alexander. Special thanks to Jennifer Hays for showing Reggie to her championship.
THE FIRST NOR CAL NNTC SPECIALTY

It was with great pride that the Nor Cal Norwich and Norfolk Terrier Club held its first sanctioned AKC Specialty Show on August 19, 2007. The Specialty was held in conjunction with the Mensona Kennel Club of Northern California in the state’s famed wine country (Santa Rosa to be exact) at the Sonoma County Fairgrounds. The grounds were beautiful with large grassy areas for tent set ups, lots of trees for shade, and that gorgeous California weather.

We had a light Norfolk turnout (2 class bitches and 2 male Specials), but a well-supported Norwich entry (42 total: 6 class dogs, 23 class bitches, 8 male Specials, 2 bitch Specials, and 3 veterans). Club members had made Roy Holloway as our specialty judge, but unfortunately he became very ill prior to our show and was unable to judge. At the last minute, Robert Marshall stepped in to help!

Norfolk Sweeps was easy. There was only one entry, Tentera California Girl, co-owned by Julie Gleeson and Nan Anderson. Sweeps judge Dr. Rainee Johnson (“Breakaway” Norwich) watched her go around and awarded her Best in Sweeps!

This little black and tan girl next showed in the 6-9 months puppy class, and was eventually awarded Winners Bitch and Best of Opposite Sex. Reserve went to Kasamira’s Sassafras, owned by Robin Ormiston. This cute red girl was a bit undone by something in the arena and did not have her best show day! Best of Breed went to the black and tan Special, Ch. Wintersky’s Blackjack, owned by Anne Fletcher.

Dr. Rainee Johnson also judged Norwich Sweeps. Best in Sweeps went to the 9-12 months puppy dog, Migar Shonleh’s Brother Love, owned by Michelle Fair and Sharon Curry. Best of Opposite Sex in Sweeps went to Goldrush’s Unforgettable, owned by Diane Anderson.

Best in Veteran Sweeps was Ch. Shonleh Robin, a 9-year-old male that could still strut his stuff. He is owned by Patricia and Thomas Pletsch. Best of Opposite Sex in Veteran Sweeps was Ch. Shonleh Breakaway Blue Jay, owned by Sharon Curry.

Robert Marshall also stepped in to judge the Norwich regular classes. His Winners Dog and Best of Winners (for a five point major) was Bunratty’s Piper Finnegan, owned by Ted and Jean Chamberlin. Reserve Winners Dog and Best Bred By Exhibitor Dog was Nan-Sea’s LittleTahoma, owned by Nancy Henning.

Mr. Marshall selected Phaerin Eagle Dancer V Gypsy Bear, owned by Sylvia Jerram and Darlene Serpa, for Winners Bitch (also a five point major) and Westwind’s Lady Madonna, owned by Brenda and Michael De Shields, as Reserve Winners Bitch. Best Puppy was the Norwich Sweeps winner, Migar Shonleh’s Brother Love. Ch. Cobby’s Hidden Treasure, owned by Wood Wornall, took Best of Breed, with Best of Opposite Sex going to Ch. tinytowne Tallulah at Image, owned by Monti Craig. An Award of Merit went to Ch. Snowridge Don’t Fence Me In, owned by Alexandra Geremia.

Kudos to our show committee (Dr. John Fitzpatrick, Sylvia Jerram, and Sharon Curry) for producing a splendid event. Thanks also to James Latuscha for the fabulous trophies from Dannyquest. All who saw them were drooling! Finally, a big thank you to the Board and Officers of the Nor Cal Norwich and Norfolk Terrier Club, especially Brenda De Shields and Siobhan O’Hara, who pitched in to help all day long. We put on a wonderful dinner at Cattleman’s Restaurant in Santa Rosa the day before the Specialty with great food and friendship.

Our 2008 Specialty Show will be held on April 11 in conjunction with the Northern California Terrier Association show at Cal Expo in Sacramento. NNTC member Joe Franchi will judge both Norfolk and Norwich breeds, and Sally George will judge Norfolk and Norwich Sweeps. James Latuscha is our trophy chair once again so if you’d like a piece of the Dannyquest trophies, please join us!

—Julie Gleeson, Nor Cal NNTC President, Walnut Creek, CA (gleesonj@aol.com)
THE U.K. 75TH ANNIVERSARY WEEKEND

Ed.: The following is a condensed version of Elisabeth Matell's Dog World (U.K.) article on the U.K. Norfolk and Norwich 75th Anniversary celebration.—AGF

When the Norwich Terrier prick-ear and drop-ear was recognized by the Kennel Club in 1932, nobody would have believed that these active little red terriers would become popular as both companions and show dogs all over the world. They were rough and ready, happy go lucky companions of country folk and students, used mainly for killing vermin in stables, barns and drains.

Although the breed was divided into two depending on ear carriage in 1964 and the drop-ears became Norfolk Terriers, the two breeds have close links and several kennels breed and show both breeds.

The idea to celebrate the 75th anniversary of KC recognition came to us about five years ago and, led by the dedicated and hard-working Ruth Corkhill (Redash Norwich), a sub-committee was formed with members from both the Norwich Terrier Club and the Norfolk Terrier Club of Great Britain. A lot of planning and work was put into getting the sponsorship and donations so that the celebrations would not be a drain on either club.

The Norfolk show, held at the Royal Court Hotel outside Coventry on Saturday September 22, drew an impressive entry of 148 dogs, a figure only exceeded by the late Anne Rogers Clark's millennium show entry of 165. The judge David Saltmarsh (Pipridges), elected by club members, had 44 dogs and 76 bitches to choose from, among them one visitor from the USA and one from Sweden.

It turned out to be a once in a lifetime occasion for Jackie Phillips (sister of the more famous Martin) when her 13-month-old black and tan Vichea Pick And Mix (Ch. Jaeva For Petes Sake ex V Piquet Player) came from junior to beat all the bitches for the BCC, a first for both dog and owner, and then went on to take BIS. The applause and cheering raised the roof. Peter Green, handler of the DCC winner, took the defeat like the well-mannered gentleman he is. He and his charge, 3-year-old Am. Ch. Cause For Celebration (Am. Ch. Red Cherubim's Summer Star ex Eng./Am.Ch. Cracknor Cause Celebre) had traveled from their home in Pennsylvania to the show via Paris so that 'Dickie' could sit in the cabin and not be put in the hold. Top Norfolk in the USA in 2006 and so far in 2007, Dickie is owned by Mesdames Beale, Ingram and Matell.

The reserve CCs went to Ch. Jaeva For Petes Sake, top Norfolk 2007, and Ch. Belleville Sweetheart. Best puppy was another Belleville, the black and tan Another Angel. The great old stud dog Ch. Richell Clare got the biggest applause of all when he won best veteran at 13 1/2 years old.

At the dinner in the evening, 264 guests sat down at tables named after famous historical Norfolk and Norwich kennels to eat roast beef, talk terriers and listen to an interview with the Norfolk judge David Saltmarsh and Liz Cartledge, who was judging Norwich the following day.

No less than 82 Norwich were entered under Liz, an astonishing number when compared to the usual entry at major championship shows. On Sunday morning, 23 dogs and 40 bitches turned up of which one each had come from the USA, the Netherlands, Norway and five from Sweden.

Already as the puppy dog class was coming in there was electric excitement in the air. This was because many ringsiders had heard of and read about Lesley Crawley's new 'Wunderkind,' Ragus Rings True, who had started his career in a spectacular fashion with 2 CCs, 3 BOBs, a group-3 and RBPI at large all-breed championship shows.

Not quite 10 months old, 'Trueman' beat all comers to go BIS and, of course, BP. Born in England, he was sired in Sweden by Swedish Ch. Cobby's Famous Rebel ex the outstanding brood bitch Ch. Ragus Truly Unruly, who won the progeny class with four champion litter sisters and the
SHOWFRONT

BIS winner in the line-up. One of the four champion sisters, Ch. Ragus True Romance (by Ch. Ragus Solid Silver), who was Lesley Crawley's 100th champion last year, won the BCC and was RBIS.

The reserve CC winners were the black and tan junior, Rouletta Havin A Good Thyme, and Ragus Forever Yours, who was also the best of opposite sex puppy. Best veteran was Elve Forest Witch, from the late Michael Crawley's last litter.

To remember this historic occasion, the Norfolk catalogues had on the cover a photo of the first drop-ear champion, Ch. Biffin of Beaufin made up in 1935, and the Norwich catalogue had Ch. Miss Manette, the first prick-ear champion, made up in 1936. These sepia photos also decorated the celebration cakes enjoyed by the spectators.

All present agreed that the weekend was a great success and now look forward to the time when Norfolks celebrate their golden jubilee in 2014. See you there!

—Elisabeth Matell, “Cracknor” Norfolk Terriers, U.K.

NORFOLK RESULTS AT THE 2007 HATBOROS AND DEVON

By now, almost everyone knows that Al Gore won the Nobel Peace Prize for his book and documentary film on global warming. The 2007 Montgomery weekend was a dead ringer for global warming as the high temperatures and humidity were certainly not what an October weekend in Pennsylvania should be. How lovely it used to be driving from Long Island to Pennsylvania noting the leaves changing from green to reds and yellows. This has not been true for a few years now, but this October was the worst. The leaves were still bright green and flowers were still blooming. Nonetheless, it was Montgomery and the usual excitement was in the air.

The lead-off show of the weekend, Hatboro 1, was held on Thursday at the fairgrounds in Wrightstown, PA. Fortunately, the Norfolk and Norwich rings are always indoors; this was a blessing as it kept us out of the hot sun. NTNC member and Norfolk/Norwich breeder Beth Swiegart ("Yarrow") was the Norfolk judge, with Joan Church as the steward. Beth had an entry of thirty-four, with six absences. She selected Bobby and Ann Thomas' and Marjorie and Jim McTernan's, Llywydd Excalibur, as her Winners Dog. This young dog was bred by Marjorie McTernan and Cathy Cargo; the sire is Ch. Cause For Celebration, a "CoCo" son, and the dam, Ch. Capricorns Bell Book and Candle. The Reserve WD ribbon went to Klein Darling's A Texas Lightning, bred by A. Schultz and owned by Patricia Rogers. I would assume that this is an imported dog as it carried an undocked tail. Max-Well's Violet, bred and owned by Barbara Miller and Susie Kipp, was the judge's choice for Winners Bitch/Best of Winners. Her sire is Eng. & Am Ch. Kinsridge Cruise Control; her dam is Ch. Max-Well's Venus. Jonathan and Grace Scott own the Reserve Winners Bitch, Some Buddy Llywydd Harper Lee, bred by Dr. J. and T. Carter. Max-Well's Tedstar Windanna is the sire and the dam, Ch. Capricorn's Sookie Tawdry. It was a lovely line up in Specials, with Beth awarding Best of Opposite Sex to Jayne Dubin's male, Ch. Final Lea Big Ticket Item, sired by Ch. Mercator Point to Point and out of Ch. Final Lea Ticket To Ride. Beth awarded the bitch, Ch. Max-Well's Jade, the Best
of Breed ribbon. Bred by Susan and Dylan Kipp and owned by the breeders and Barbara Miller, Jade is sired by Ch. Max-Well's Comet; his dam is Ch. Max-Well's Real Gem. Later in the day, Jade took a Terrier Group 4 under judge Linda Moore.

The following day, we were back at the same fairgrounds for the second Hatboro show. Geoff Corish, a well-known English handler and judge who is accustomed to much cooler weather, looked quite smart in suit and tie as he took to the ring ready to judge an entry of 54 Norfolk, with ten absent. From the Bred-By class, Max-Well's Villain was awarded the Winners Dog ribbon. He's owned and bred by Barbara Miller and Susie Kipp and is a full brother to yesterday's Winners Bitch. Jaeva Gold Auric, owned by Marion Hovet and well-known English breeder Martin Phillips ("Jaeva"), went Reserve WD. Auric's sire is Jaeva Gold Leaf and his dam is Rosara Voulezvous At Jaeva. Regency's Again I Say Rejoice, bred and owned by Tina Dennis, was Winners Bitch/Best of Winners. She is sired by Ch. Max-Well's Comet out of Ch. Regency's Jerusalem Dream. Max-Well's Red Velvet, a full sister to Thursday's Winners Bitch and today's Winners Dog, took the Reserve Winners Bitch ribbon. Ch. Max-Well's Jade, Thursday's Best of Breed, was Best of Opposite Sex. The Best of Breed ribbon went to Ch. Cause For Celebration, bred and owned by Pam Beale, Elisabeth Matell and Stephanie Ingram. "Dick" is sired by Ch. Red Cherubin's Summer Star and out of Eng. & Am. Ch. Cracknor Cause Celebre, better known as "CoCo."

When judging ended at Hatboro 2, we headed back to the NNTC host hotel for our club's annual membership meeting. Following the meeting, which went well, members gathered for the NNTC dinner where the club's annual conformation and performance awards were presented. We finally were able to award the Norwich Register of Merit certificates, thanks to the AKC setting up a computer program to retrieve the names of ROM sires and dams covering the past thirty years. NNTC First Vice President Robert Lachman and his wife Henrietta are to be thanked for putting all the ROM certificates together: selecting the perfect certificate design, doing the layout, the printing, etc. As usual we held an auction, which went off perfectly with tons of bidding taking place. We also raised money through the sale of the Norfolk CD depicting influential dogs in the breed. It was a pleasant evening.

On Saturday morning, we were off to Devon, held at the horse show grounds in Ludwig's Corner. Every time I drive to Devon, I notice that more and more farm land is being eaten up with new housing developments. I wonder how much longer the horse show grounds can survive. Parking is hell at Devon, but for some reason I've always liked the show. In past years, lunch was great, as all the food was homemade and presented by a group of firehouse volunteers. Well no more. Now we resort to the food trucks. Cindy Vogels was the Norfolk judge of the day, having an entry of forty-four with eleven absent. Tenterra Dance Man, bred and owned by Nan Anderson, won Winners Dog/Best of Winners. He's sired by Ch. Tenterra Lord of the Dance and out of the bitch Tenterra Dancing at the Ritz. Llywydd Excalibur, who was Winners Dog at Hatboro 1, on this day went Reserve WD. Max-Well's Violet repeated her Hatboro 1 win, going Winners Bitch. Bigwig's Annie Get Your Gun, bred by Deane Hall and Kenneth Slump and owned by the breeders and Heidi and Conny Cole, was Reserve WB. She is sired by Ch. Copperplate Lord Byron and out of Ch. Bigwig's Nutmeg. Ch. Max-Well's Jade repeated her Hatboro 1 win as Best of Breed, while Ch. Cause For Celebration, who won the breed at Hatboro 2, was Best of Opposite Sex.

Sunday we were up bright and early to head to the Montgomery show grounds. Thank goodness for the McTernans, who always manage to get me and others great parking spots. Even in early morning, you could feel the heat and humidity. NNTC east coast hospitality chair Jean Kessler and her team did a super job of setting up the rings with garlands of fall-colored leaves, pumpkins, straw and scarecrows. Jean also headed up the club's hospitality tent, where delicious muffins, brownies, cookies, coffee and much more filled the table. Busy at the breed rings were NNTC trophy chair Sue Lawrence and her crew setting up the trophy tables. This year there's a new Norfolk trophy for Best Bred By
Exhibitor. Called the Nanfan Trophy in memory of the late, well-known English breeder, Joy Taylor, it's a gorgeous head study of a Norfolk Terrier set on a base where the winner's names will be engraved. As Joy was my very good friend and I miss her dearly, I'm sure she'd be proud that I donated this Norfolk trophy in her name. The **Best Bred By Exhibitor Norfolk** takes home a 14 inch silver plate tray. This year it went to **Arroyo's Tater Tot** (Ch. Wisdom's Gate Let Freedom Ring x Ch. Arroyo's Skittles), a young male bred and owned by Ann and Ed Dum and Randy and Michelle Welcher.

Marjorie McTernan, no stranger to the breed, was the **Norfolk Sweepstakes** judge. I don't know how she managed, but for most of her judging she kept her jacket on. Sitting ringside, I was dying from the heat. The Sweeps entry was twenty-seven, with four absent. The puppies were feeling the heat, and a few were downright cranky. Susie Kipp kept **Max-Well's Villain** pulled together enough to earn the **Best of Opposite** ribbon. **Souyen's Special Kaye**, bred by Patti and Mark Paquette and owned by Patti, Mark and Sarah Paquette, told herself to be a little lady as she took her turn around the ring. Kaye and her owner-handler, Patti, were thrilled with the **Best in Sweepstakes** win. Kaye is sired by Souyen's Shoot'em Back and out of Souyen's Miss Kitty. **Veteran Sweeps** had an entry of two bitches, with Sue Ely's **Ch. Franaro Lucy Pinch ME** taking the ribbon. Lucy is all Pinchbeck bred as her sire is Ch. Pinchbeck Old Sweet Song ME and her dam, Ch. Pinchbeck Primrose.

The Norfolk regular classes at the Montgomery Specialty were judged by Norman Patton, who had an entry of seventy-seven with twelve absent. His judge's critique follows. I'd like to thank NNTC committee chairs Jean Kessler (Hospitality) and Sue Lawrence (Trophy) and all the club members who pitched in to make our Montgomery Specialty weekend so enjoyable. Thanks to Pat Mason, Tina Dennis, Bambi Holly, Henrietta and Robert Lachman and others whom I'm probably forgetting to mention. If you've never attended the Montgomery weekend, I suggest you do so in 2008. These shows are the showcase for terrier breeds.

—Barbara Miller, "Max-Well" Norfolk, Old Brookville, NY

**NORFOLK RESULTS AT THE 2007 MONTGOMERY SPECIALTY**

**Judge Norman Patton’s Critique**

When I was first notified that I would be judging Norfolk Terriers at the Montgomery National Specialty, I was ecstatic. I have always believed that judging a National of any breed, especially one that I have loved and admired, is the pinnacle of a judge's career as judges are voted upon by that breed’s
breeders and exhibitors. I consider it an honor and a privilege to have been chosen to judge one of my favorite terrier breeds. I took this assignment very seriously, and I knew ahead of time that there might be some tough decisions to make. I was right. The depth of quality in the bitch classes and in the Best of Breed competition was overwhelming. My sincere gratitude to the NNTC show chair and to my two ring stewards for making my day dynamic and never-to-be-forgotten. I cannot truly convey what an incredible job these hard-working people did.

Along the way, I have learned many important lessons from every dog lover I’ve met. I would like to share some of these lessons:

- A breeder’s job is to preserve breed type. Breed type is defined by the standard. A breeder does not improve upon the standard. You can improve your individual dogs and line, but the standard sets the type.
- There is only one correct type of Norfolk. It is defined by the standard. Dogs may diverge to a lesser or greater degree from the standard and still be recognized as a Norfolk.
- To really comprehend the standard, you must study, study, study it. Watch your competition and read everything that has been written on the subject. Seek out those who have been in the breed many years. The lessons they can teach you are invaluable.
- Being objective is difficult, especially when you love your own dog. However, you will never breed better dogs until you can evaluate them objectively despite your affection. Never inflate a dog’s quality in your mind because he/she is all you have. Show it; finish it, but don’t breed it. (Harsh words, and ones I could never follow myself.)
- I urge all breeders to hold the best interest of the Norfolk paramount in their minds while striving for breed type. The standard is your bible. It is not today’s win, but what comes out of the whelping box tomorrow that counts.

As a judge, I try to consider the spectators when lining up a class or when moving dogs. I feel that those at ringside should be able to follow the judging easily and thereby benefit from experience. A judge also never knows who may be watching—a new judge, a new handler, a new Norfolk enthusiast. I hope that Norfolk spectators got the most of each dog’s performance.

I also strive to judge the whole dog. Soundness, condition, balance and temperament all contribute to the over-all breed type for which we aim and are prerequisites to any good show dog. The over-all quality of the Norfolk entry was excellent, although I felt there was more depth in the bitch classes than in the dogs. For the most part, showmanship and presentation were excellent, which is an important consideration when judging this breed. My placements were as follows:

Winners Dog: Tenterra Dance Man, from the 6-9 months puppy dog class, was a handsome boy with perfect balance, excellent movement, and in perfect proportions. Back short, straight and strong; good coat texture; correct head and ears. He was quite the show dog, with good movement coming and going and a nice side picture.

Winners Bitch/Best of Winners: Arroyo’s Biscuit ‘N Gravy was from the Bred-by class, which is one of my favorite classes and one that should have the best quality. I applaud the breeders for
showing in this class. My WB/BOW was a correctly balanced Norfolk with all the attributes the standard calls for. I wouldn't change her in any way. All the parts fit perfectly together.

**Best of Breed:** What a wonderful class! Anyone on any given day could have been Best of Breed. My eventual winner, *Ch. Cause For Celebration*, was well-balanced, correct in every aspect of the standard, and what a show dog. He was presented in perfect condition by his young handler.

**Best of Opposite Sex:** *Ch. Max-Well's Venus* was a close runner-up for Best of Breed. She is a lovely type—wonderful head and expression, small ears, and a great body. She was also in great condition and was presented to perfection by her young handler.

**Awards of Merit** went to *Ch. Final Lea Big Ticket Item, Ch. Kashmir's My Lady The Chase Is On, Ch. Max-Well's Jade, and Ch. Yarrow Venerie Jean Val Jean*. These were all beautiful Norfolk. What catches the eye is their perfect balance, compact bodies, extraordinary heads, and great showmanship.

I feel that the Norfolk Terrier is in great shape. The breeders should all be commended. I humbly thank you for the privilege of judging your beautiful dogs and will always cherish and remember that Special Day.

—Norman Patton, Mesa, AZ

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**NORWICH RESULTS AT THE 2007 HATBOROS AND DEVON**

It was hot! Don’t get hot and bothered (pun intended) to hear this same thing from everyone who attended the 2007 Montgomery cluster of shows. The weather can’t be left out of my Montgomery report because it affected my entire experience this year. I’d rather have rain than east coast heat and humidity in October, and most Norwich agreed with me. Many Norwich hated the unseasonably warm weather, but handlers and owners made every effort to make the dogs comfortable.

My overwhelming impression of the Norwich entry was that there is a very strong direction toward type in the breed. It was a feast for the eyes to see many gorgeous silhouettes, but less excitement when some of the dogs moved. On the whole, as huge as the entry was, the quality was astonishingly high.

If I was to be picky, I’d say that too many young bitches lacked a bold terrier temperament. A Norwich afraid of a big display of mums in the corners of the show ring does not look right at the biggest terrier event of the year.

**Geoff Corish** traveled from England to judge Norwich at *Hatboro 1*, the first show of the cluster. His pick for *Winners Dog* was a lovely, typey and beautifully moving male, *Littlefield’s Custom Tailored for Culpepper*, bred by Lee Little and owned and expertly handled by Karen Friedman (co-owned by Lee Little).

*Reserve Winners Dog* went to an eye-catching *Paddington’s Bermuda Winks*, a red male owned and bred by Reggie Higgins Hunt. The *Winners Bitch* ribbon was bestowed upon *Cobby’s Hope N’ Glory*, a very sound black and tan puppy bitch from the 6-9 months class. A true show girl, this Swedish import was bred by Renee Sporre-Willes and is owned by Ashley Wornall. This young star was also *Best of Winners* and *Best of Opposite Sex*, going over a number of beautiful specials. Another young bitch, *Highwood’s Cascapedia Lady*, shown in the 12-18 months class, earned a *Reserve Winners Bitch* ribbon. She was bred by Nonie Reynders and is owned by Vivian and Rederick Stodler. The Best of Breed Competition was a parade of remarkable dogs. *Best of Breed* went to *Ch. Sandina’s Sorcerer*, bred by Michael Whelan and owned by Katie Knapp, a great win among such top-notch competition.
Friday's Hatboro 2 show brought no relief from the heat and the humidity, but the entry looked as impressive as in day one. Judge Beth Sweigart took center stage and made her deliberate selections. Her choice for Winners Dog was Littlefield's Custom Tailored for Culpepper, the WD from Thursday, who showed like a dream and was asking for it. Reserve Winners Dog from the Bred-by-Exhibitor class was Bedlam's Compliments to the Chef, bred and owned by Mary and Wes Jones. Winners Bitch and Best of Winners was once again the remarkable puppy, Cobby's Hope N' Glory. Reserve Winners Bitch was the WD's littermate, Littlefield's Fashionably Late, bred by Lee Little and co-owned by Lee with Wheatley Memming. Judge Sweigart awarded Best of Breed to Ch. Dunbar's Desperado of Acadia, one of the most striking, typey specials in the ring. "Dylan" was bred by Joan Kefeli and is owned by Norman and Lynda Kenney. Best of Opposite Sex went to Ch. Birchbay Dream Catcher, another very pleasing bitch, bred and owned by Janis Birchall.

Judge Dennis McCoy presided over the Norwich ring at Devon. Showing on grass on a very sunny day was a nice change from spending two days indoors at Hatboro's equestrian arena. Judge McCoy's choice for Winners Dog was Abbedale's Ring of Brodgar, a fantastic mover, bred by Bonnie Johnson and Joan Eckert, and co-owned by Joan Eckert, Larry Hottot and Nancy Wise. Reserve Winners Dog was Fentondale Fly'N High, bred by Katie Knapp and owned by Sharon Jones. The judge's choice for Winners Bitch, Best of Winners, and Best of Opposite Sex was an incredibly typey Skylight's Sunny South, bred by Leslie Becker and co-owned by Leslie with Tonnie and Gerrard Willrich. Reserve Winners Bitch went to Sandspur the Likes of You, bred and owned by Patricia McGowan. Again, the crown of Best of Breed went to the lovely Ch. Dunbar's Desperado of Acadia.

The three days of shows leading up to Montgomery featured a parade of impeccably trimmed, well-presented and truly beautiful Norwich. There seems to be a clear direction toward very short-joined, but not necessarily hard-toplined dogs. While I perceived some compromise in movement, breed type ruled.

—Magda Omansky, “Dig-N-Pop” Norwich (dignpop@aol.com)

Editor's P.S.: Since Norwich Sweepstakes at the 2007 NNTC Montgomery Specialty is not covered in the article on Norwich at the Hatboro and Devon shows or in the Montgomery judge's critique, here's a brief report on Sweeps judging:

Longtime NNTC member and Norwich breeder ("Terrapin") Margaretta (Missy) Wood judged Norwich Sweepstakes at the 2007 NNTC Montgomery Specialty. Her choice for Best in Sweeps was Gaylord's Smokey Bones from the 12-18 months dogs class. Bred by Larry Adams, David Guempel and Sandra Steimmel and owned by Larry Adams and David Guempel, this handsome, young male was sired by Ch. Fairway's Cat In The Hat. His dam is Barnstable Hello Zinnia. Best of Opposite Sex in Sweeps went to Cobby's Hope N' Glory (Cobby's Royal Silver x Cobby's Hobe's Diamond) from the 6-9 months puppy bitches class. This young Swedish import, coming off exciting wins at both Hatboro shows, was bred by Renee Sporre-Willes and is owned by Ashley Wornall. —AGF
NORWICH RESULTS AT THE
2007 MONTGOMERY SPECIALTY

Judge Barbara Pessina's Critique

Sunday, October 7, 2007 can only be described as HOT, HOT, HOT. I had planned to give a detailed critique on the 1st–4th placements in each class, but somewhere between the Winners Dog and first puppy bitch class, my recorder apparently decided it was too hot, and the notes I entered became scattered with pauses and blanks. It wouldn’t be fair to detail the dog classes and summarize the bitch classes, so I am going to give an overview of the Norwich I judged this day. So much for technology, and a good lesson for me to go back to the old handwritten method in the future.

As some of you may or may not know, my background in dogs is from a working/herding origin. Correct structure and soundness are important to me, and I see the Norwich breed as more than just a cute little dog. As the standards says…. They are a hardy hunt terrier; fit working condition is a prime consideration. These words weighed heavily in my considerations as I selected the following winners:

Winners Dog/Best of Winners, Parady on Yarrow Mark My Words, was a lovely moving red puppy from the 6-9 months class. He had a nice short loin, good side movement, and was clean coming and going. He held his topline and outline on the move, and I was struck by his ability to hold his picture with little assistance from his handler. He’s a handsome dog with good proportion and balance.

Reserve Winners Dog, Littlefield’s Custom Tailored For Culpepper, came from the Open class. This was another clean moving dog, with good head and neck carriage, sound coming and going.

Winners Bitch, Fishback Goody Goody Gumdrops, came from the Bred by Exhibitor class. There were 13 bitches in the class, and this one caught my eye with her balance and ability to take a stride and cover ground; she had a lovely set of neck on the first go around. She did not disappoint me on examination, and continued to get better with every step she took.

Reserve Winners Bitch, Skyscot’s Sunny South, from the Open class, was a very handsome bitch, sound coming and going. She put forth a great effort and uses everything she has, but I just preferred the type on the WB on this day.

Best of Breed: What can I say? The entry in this class was astounding! The depth of quality and number of really, really good dogs to choose from made it extremely hard to narrow the field. In the end, BOB went to Ch Sandina Sorcerer – a dog so well off for many of the things that I was looking for on the day. He seems to me to be the correct size, with a hard topline. He is in beautiful coat and condition. He has a good shoulder, which allows him to carry his head and neck correctly. He comes and goes perfectly soundly and goes beautifully from the side. He was pushed very, very hard by several of the other specials, but in the end he had the most to offer and it was his day on all his positive attributes.

Best of Opposite Sex, Ch. Birchbay Dream Catcher, was a moderate-sized bitch, very good coming and going and from the side. She was also in good condition.

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Awards of Merit went to Ch. Abedale Brass Tacks, Ch. Havic’s Rockin Roscoe, Ch. Newmiller’s Handsome Hubert, and Ch. Sandina Summer Storm. These are all excellent dogs that pushed hard for the top spot on this day. They made me work very hard to narrow the field down. What an experience to see so much quality collected together in one place!

The Norwich breed appears to be in very good shape. The quality of the entry was very strong, with mostly good fronts and rears. Overall, the bites were good, with full dentition and correct scissors bites. There were a few bad bites and some missing incisors, but not many. To say I was impressed would be somewhat of an understatement. This breed has come such a long, long way in the past 20 years and the improvement in breed type, good fronts and rears, and sound movement is incalculable. Kudos to the breeders, owners and handlers for their attention to these areas.

With the positives, there also come a few negative observations, and I would be remiss not to include them here. Heads seem to be somewhat of a work in progress at the moment, and were one of the areas where I found the most discrepancy between the entries. There appears to be a tendency in the breed towards a more blocky shape to the head and muzzle, and less of the wedge defined in the standard. Coupled with this is a slightly more rounded eye, and less of the oval shape. This detracts from the slightly foxy expression called for in the standard.

In my opinion, there were also several entries that pushed the limit in size and substance. While the standard calls for good bone and substance, it also indicates a weight of approximately 12 lbs. Too much size and substance detract from proper breed type. I was happy to see that most of the dogs handled the excessive heat and humidity well.

Judging this wonderful breed at Montgomery is an experience that I will not soon forget. My sincere appreciation to all who made it possible.

—Barbara Pessina, “Moonshadow” Norwich, Putnam Valley, NY
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Traveling in style at Montgomery 2007
NNTC member and Norwich Sweeps judge Margareta (Missy) Wood

Norwich (Hatboro 1) and Norfolk (Hatboro 2) judge Geoff Corish of England

NNTC AKC Delegate and Norfolk Sweeps judge Marjorie McTeman

NNTC Norfolk members (l. to r.) Heidi Evans and Louise Leone (NNTC Corresponding Secretary)

Hospitality chair Jean Kessler (seated on the far right) created a lovely autumn display in the Norwich and Norfolk specialty ring.
The 2007 Montgomery Specialty

Norfolk Winners

Best of Breed: Ch. Cause for Celebration

Best of Winners/Winners Bitch
(and new Champion):
Arroyo's Biscuit 'N Gravy

Winners Dog: Tenterra Dance Man

Best of Opposite Sex:
Ch. Max-Well's Venus

Best in Sweeps: Souyen’s Special Kaye, pictured
with Norfolk Sweeps judge Marjorie McTernan and
co-bred/co-owner/handler Patti Paquette

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Norwich Winners

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Best of Winners/Winners Dog: Paradym Yarrow Mark My Words

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Best of Opposite Sex: Ch. Birchbay Dream Catcher

Best in Sweeps: Gaylord’s Smokey Bones pictured with judge Margaretta (Missy) Wood and co-breeder/co-owner/handler Larry Adams

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THE 2007 AKC/EUKANUBA NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

This past December 1 & 2, 2007 marked the seventh year of the AKC/Eukanuba national championship competition. This conformation show is by invitation only, with the following criteria required to gain admittance: the top 25 in each breed, a Best in Show during the 12-month qualifying period, a National Specialty win, and dogs finishing their championship from the Bred By Exhibitor class. This year the Eukanuba World Challenge was added to the show, with top dogs from 40 foreign countries competing. The AKC Agility Invitational and the AKC Obedience Invitational also take place at this venue. Junior Handlers, ranging in age from 9 to 18, are exposed to a wonderful experience during this two-day event. The ACE awards (AKC Awards for Canine Excellence) and the Breeder of the Year awards are spotlighted during the evening activities.

The prize money is out of sight: $50,000 for Best in Show, $15,000 for Breeder of Best in Show, $15,000 for Best Bred By Exhibitor, $1,500 for Group winners, and money awarded for Group 2, 3, and 4 placements in each group. The World Challenge winner receives $10,000 and the Junior winner receives a $2,000 scholarship. This show in past years was aired on live TV, but this year Discovery and Animal Planet prerecorded and aired the show on February 2nd.

A major plus at the show is the “Meet the Breeds” area. At last year’s show, I cornered NNTC Norwich member Pam Seifert and asked if she would chair our club’s “Meet the Breeds”. She eagerly agreed and we were on our way. Pam and husband Jeff are to be applauded for doing an outstanding job. Pam designed the booth and, with help from Jeff, lugged all the required bits and pieces to the convention center. She arranged the booth so that the Norfolk and Norwich breeds each had their own space. She enlisted a number of Norfolk and Norwich owners to spend time at the booth, allowing spectators to view basic grooming, to get a “hands on” feel of the breeds, and to ask a host of questions. Huge photos of each breed, a constantly running video, take-home information, and a theme showing our breeds both past and present rounded out the booth. Pam did a fabulous job, and we all owe her a big thank you.

Friday evening was the AKC Canine Health Foundation dinner, with Cindy Vogels stepping in as the new CHF President. On Saturday evening, the AKC honored the Breeder of the Year for each of the seven groups. When these awards were first presented in 2002, I was named the Terrier Breeder of the Year. It was the thrill of a lifetime in the sport, or so I thought. I was honored with this same award in 2007. This time I was astonished! The seven breeders are selected by the AKC committee for their 20+ years of commitment to their breed, their contributions and dedication to the sport of purebred dogs, and for having a dog which has qualified for the National. From what I’ve told, everyone’s credentials are gone over with a fine tooth comb. When my name was announced as the 2007 AKC Breeder of the Year, I was in complete, but thrilled, shock. I publicly stated that I couldn’t have won this award without the Kipps, especially Susie Kipp, who has become my Max-Well partner. To all of you who sent me a note and/or flowers of congratulations, I can’t thank you enough for your kind thoughts.

Norfolk and Norwich Terriers were exhibited on Sunday. My handler, Susie Kipp, had a scheduling conflict, so I was elected to show Ch. Max-Well’s Viper under judge Peggy Beisel-Mellwaine, since he was a Bred By Exhibitor entry. I didn’t do too badly as Viper went Best of Opposite Sex. Ch. Max-Well Jade, handled by Dylan Kipp, took home the Best of Breed ribbon and automatically won the Best Bred By ribbon as well. Viper is sired by Cyclone and out of the dam Venus, both
all Max-Well bred. Jade is sired by Comet and out of the dam Real Jem, again all Max-Well bred. An 
Award of Merit went to Ch. Cause for Celebration, owned and bred by Pam Beale, Elisabeth Matell 
and Stephanie Ingram. “Dick’s” dam is the renowned “CoCo,” who took Best in Show at this event 
in 2003. The second AOM went to Ch. Wisdom’s Gate Let Freedom Ring, bred and owned by Julie 
Gleeson.

Peggy Beisel-McIlwaine also judged Norwich, awarding the Best of Breed ribbon to Ch. 
Havicz’s Rockin’ Roscoe, bred by Sheila Ann Rekow and owned by Harriet and Victor Allen. This 
dog’s sire is Ch. Deansleigh Interceptor and his dam, Ch. Sandina’s Evanstar. Best of Opposite went to 
Ch. Camio’s Educated Guess, bred and owned by Catherine Rogers. This black and tan bitch is sired 
by Ch. Glendale’s Guess Again out of Camio’s Tempest of Glendale. The three Awards of Merit went 
to Ch. Briardale’s Lion King, bred by Carole Fournault and Sharon Walters and owned by Carole, 
Lowell and Constan Fournault; Ch. Newmiller’s Handsome Hubert, bred and owned by Dr. Elaine 
Miller and co-owned with Dr. Phyllis Newcomer; and Ch. Sandina Summer Storm, bred by Glorvina 
Schwartz and owned by Judith Metz.

AKC Board Chairman Ron Menaker and his staff are to be congratulated for making this event 
one of the premier shows in the United States.

—Barbara Miller

THE 2008 NNTC SHOW CALENDAR

Supported Entries

The NNTC will support the Norfolk and Norwich entries at the following shows in 2008:

• Garden State All Terrier Club, Inc. (NJ) on May 2. Mrs. Janie Bousek will judge the Norfolk 
breed; Mrs. Linda C. Moore will judge Norwich.

• Mattaponi Kennel Club (Manassas, VA) on May 17. Norfolk breeder Richard Powell 
(“Flatford”) will judge both breeds. This show is also supported by the Chesapeake NNTC 
whose members host a sumptuous buffet luncheon following the breed judging. “Y’all come!”

NNTC National Specialty

There is no NNTC Roving National Specialty in 2008. The NNTC National Specialty will be 
held on Sunday, October 5 in conjunction with the Montgomery County KC show in Blue Bell, PA. 
NNTC member and Norwich breeder (“Country”) Linda McCutcheon will judge Norwich Sweeps and 
Mr. Norman Patton will judge the breed. For Norfolk Terriers, Heidi Martin, the artist who is doing the 
drawings for both breeds’ Illustrated Standards, will judge Sweeps and long-time NNTC member and 
Norfolk/Norwich breeder (“Yarrow”) Beth Sweigart will judge the breed.

NNTC members will receive additional details about the Montgomery Specialty in future club 
mailings.

—Linda Myers, NNTC Show Chair, Bradenton, FL (outbackshl@aol.com)
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 Normals in America during the 30 years following official AKC recognition of the breed(s). Price: $20 postpaid to U.S. addresses. Send check, payable to NNTO, to Alison Freehling, 2730 Hunt Country Lane, Charlottesville, 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.

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