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Correction from Issue 27

The photo of "Trea" running Fast Cat on page 17 was mislabelled. Trea is: **GCHB CH Kaleidoscope Many Happy Returns OAP BCAT**

A Message From the NTCA President

Dear NTCA Members,

Last year, I had the idea to start the NTCA award dinner at Montgomery with ice-breaker games. It was very well received—people had fun and connected through it—so this year, we again started with another version. I had a large poster with five fun questions about the Norwich terriers in our members' lives and invited people to volunteer their stories that would answer any of the questions posted. The audience's applause would choose the winner.

One of the questions was "What is your Norwich Terrier's superpower?" The endearing story that won the contest encapsulated the essence of our beloved breed and had us choking up with emotion. Linda Stump treated us to a tale about her Norwich visiting the nursing home, where she works as a nurse. Linda recounted how during the most depressing separation from the rest of the world during Covid (and since then) her Norwich would instantly lighten up the faces of the patients—how they would feel enlivened by the dog's sweet presence and would open up

about the animals in their past, remembering the joy of having a dog. In a disconnected world, they could connect! All of us know that our terriers are healers—they give us attention and comfort when they know we need it most. All of us can easily connect to this story, and the truth it reveals about our terriers.

I am grateful for the honor of serving as your President for another term. I started my first term with a letter to you underlining our connection through the shared love for the breed. This is again something I want to underscore: we are a family. Our dogs are literally all related and they are our shared passion. This club is your club. *The News* is your news. I am reaching out to you to engage you. If you are not already volunteering for the club, we have several open positions on various committees. Please contact me at president@thenorwichterrierclub.org or our club's secretary Annie Taylor at secretary@thenorwichterrierclub.org if you are interested.

We are also seeking your help with creating a referral list for veterinarians familiar with Norwich Terrier Upper Airway Syndrome (NTUAS). If you believe a specialist **or** general practitioner you know should be considered for the list, please contact our Health Chair, Dr. Chris Zink at mczink@caninesports.com

Magda

Magda Chiarella
Your President Serving You



From the Editor



Assistant editor ignoring her responsibilities again

Happy New Year, Everyone!

I hope you enjoy this look back on our specialty week in Macungie, PA—a celebration of seeing all the beautiful dogs and our fellow club members, many of whom we only get to see in person once a year.

Congratulations to all the club members who achieved new titles in 2024—especially our number one Norwich, GCHG CH Maystar's Shonleh Michan Ruddy Duck. A complete list can be found on page 24. A huge thank you to the show committee and the trophy committee, and all those involved in putting on a memorable 15th anniversary specialty week. So many people commented on how beautiful our trophy table was—because it was! Beautiful awards and exceptional challenge trophies. What a great year for our club.

As always, contributions of articles and photos are always welcome, and by the time you get this issue, we'll be at work on issue 29! Email me with any questions, or just send away: dinamoore@me.com

Dina

Dina Moore-Tzouris
Editor





In Memoriam

Carol Clark

It's not often in you meet someone that makes a lifetime impression. Carol Clark was that person for many of us. Carol passed away after long illnesses the day after Thanksgiving 2024. I and many others in the dog world will miss her dearly.

Carol started in Norfolks then had Norwich the last 30+ years. She was a terrific trainer and all her Norwich finished their AKC championships, many

with performance titles too.

My family, friends, and the Norwich community loved Carol Clark. She was a staple in the dog show world for many years and her sportsmanship and personality will be truly lost. I owe many smiles, laughter, lessons, and knowledge to Carol. I loved her like a mom and I will miss her very much. We all will.

Kelly Francisco-Foos

To make us grin, here are a few entertaining Carol memories. I'm sure many of you have your own funny Carol stories and hopefully this article will help you remember and smile.

- Carol half-filled an empty soda can with coins and bolts and would shake it whenever her dogs got wild—the dogs quickly got used to The Discipline Can and ignored it
- Countless stories surround Carol driving, parking, packing, and servicing her motor home
 - » For days she hauled around a large portion of a pine tree on the roof after parking under it and getting stuck
 - » Hosting gatherings at her setup during dog shows was one of her favorite things to do: John & Elsie Francisco's 50th Anniversary, potlucks, grooming sessions, and more
- » She thought it was great because "you really don't have to clean it"
- » Driving to a show with the awning hanging open or when all dogs were in their crates enjoying the ride when Carol looks over to see Bella in the passenger seat navigating
- » Amy Grace Clark once told Carol she was glad to have her as a friend and it wasn't just because she had a motor home
- Carol was known to have price tags hanging from all her clothes—she never remembered to take them off
- Carol always had to be told when her dog won in the ring. She

either wasn't paying attention, couldn't hear the judge, or was just confused. I remember telling Carol her bitch got the major at the Cleveland dog show when she walked out of the ring and she was so surprised!

- Carol took her award-winning "Bucky" to Westminster at MSG. To avoid constantly taking him out in cold, snowy NYC, she put a plunger and newspaper in the hotel bathroom so Bucky could lift his leg when needed
- Carol had the best holiday cards, always featuring her dogs in cute, festive poses. Carol would take her three Norwich to the mall photography shop and she said it was "a bit of a struggle" but they ended with a nice holiday photo. While walking out of the studio with her dogs, a man waiting his turn said, "I thought for sure I'd see blood"

Showfront



MICHIGAN TERRIER SUPPORTED ENTRY

Terrier Club of Michigan

September 27, 2024 in Monroe, Michigan

Best of Breed

GCHS Fishback It's Miller Time

Owners: Kelly Foos, Susan Miller Hall,
April Clark, Amy Grace Clark
Breeders: Susan Miller Hall, April
Clark, Amy Grace Clark

Best of Opposite Sex

CH Fishback Michan Hard Truth

Breeders/Owners: Susan Miller Hall,
April Clark, Amy Clark

Select Dog

**GCHS CH Fishback Michan Major
Boothroyd**

Owners: April Clark, Susan Miller Hall,
Amy Clark and Lynn Marshall
Breeders: Susan Miller Hall, April
Clark, Amy Clark

Select Bitch

GCH Paradym Just For Laughs

Breeders/Owners: Kelly Wood

Winners Dog

Best of Winneers

Janoras Playing The Odds

Best Bredby Grp 3

Breeders/Owners: Norma Braun

Winners Bitch

Paradym Polka Dot Bikini

Breeders/Owners: Kelly Wood

Congrats to everyone!

Norma Braun

Coordinator



Best of Breed

GCHS Fishback It's Miller Time

Owners: Kelly Foos, Susan Miller Hall, April
Clark, Amy Grace Clark Breeders: Susan
Miller Hall, April Clark, Amy Grace Clark

Showfront

HOSPITALITY AT THE 2024 MONTGOMERY WEEKEND

This year our National Specialty was even more special because we also celebrated the 15th anniversary of the Norwich Terrier Club of America. Held once again at Macungie Park, the weather was almost perfect.

Our weekend of events started as usual on Thursday evening at the Homewood Suites hotel with a presentation by Jane Lindquist the founder of Puppy Culture, a useful and popular resource for techniques on raising and socializing puppies. There were forty-nine people in attendance including nineteen nonmembers. In celebration of our 15th Anniversary each person attending the seminar was given a small craft bag with the anniversary logo affixed, several items donated by Purina, dog treats, poop bags, and clickers.

Sixty-three guests made reservations for the NTCA annual awards dinner held Friday, October 7th at the Homewood Suites. The auctions, coordinated by Melissa Smith with help from Hospitality Committee members, and the raffle for a lovely Norwich pendant donated by Hunting Horn jewelers raised over \$7000 for our club. NTCA member Cathy Jennings again



volunteered her husband, Tim, to do the auction for us. Tim Jennings, who is a professional horse auctioneer, once again motivated our guests to bid enthusiastically. He is as much an asset to this club as any of the items offered at auction! Besides being an auctioneer, Tim is a motivational speaker—motivating members to raise their hand in the excitement of competitive bidding. Judy Laffey won the bid on a beautiful Norwich motif quilt made by NTCA member Pam Cope. Other live auction items were: hand-painted mailbox won by Ellen Lucas, Italian print and framed signed Constance Larrabee “Fearless” poster went to Sharon Jones. There were many lovely items in our silent auction donated from the estate of Joan Kefeli. Joan’s presence was felt at Montgomery this year by





Sandra Stemmler 2024 AKC Outstanding Sportsmanship Award



Photo: R. Schiller
Best Norwich Puppy - Barnstable Chip of the Rock



the generosity of her family and the unveiling of the newest trophy offered in her memory—the Winners Bitch Dunbar Kennel Memorial Trophy.

It truly takes a village to organize our Montgomery weekend. Donations of items for the auction from our members are always sincerely appreciated and we were especially grateful to the family of Joan Kefeli who donated her extensive collection of Norwich Terrier items to our auction. A special thank you goes to Mark Gustavson and Nancy Nosiglia for picking up the items donated by the Kefeli family. Mark drove a long distance on a stormy day this summer to pick up the items from Joan's son. He brought the approximately ten boxes back to his home where he and Nancy went through all the boxes taking inventory—they created a detailed list that will be used in coming years so we can continue to benefit from the Kefeli family's generosity. Nancy and Mark rented a van to bring all the boxes to us in Pennsylvania where we offered about two boxes at auction and stored the rest for future auctions.

The annual recognition booklet was again produced by NTCA member Carol Jeffery. We are indebted to Carol for the time and effort she puts into this publication, especially this year since it included

many more pages dedicated to dogs who came up in the first fifteen years of the NTCA. It is a time-consuming and challenging task. In addition to recognizing the top dogs (those awards are listed on our website), we honored Sandra Stemmler, recipient of the AKC Outstanding Sportsmanship Award for 2024. Sandra has dedicated her time and support for the NTCA for many years—her vast experience coupled with her generosity has benefited our club immensely.

This year we were fortunate to have a pop-up tent dedicated to the NTCA ringside hospitality. Our Show Chair, Alyson Cleary, added another task to her endless to-do list and organized a ringside hospitality table for the two Hatboro shows and Devon. The Montgomery ringside hospitality table was hosted by Bambi and Anne Holly with help from Caroline Galloway who added her delicious ham sandwiches to the table. We should all be extremely grateful. Bambi and Anne were at the show site on Saturday working out the logistics of setting up the table and were there again early on Sunday to ensure everyone would have something to eat as they watched the entries.

We were deeply saddened by the passing of Booth Pohlman earlier this year, he was an enthusiastic and meticulous organizer of our Montgomery

Showfront



show site luncheon. Several years ago he and his husband, Kenny Sumner, first suggested hosting a luncheon at the show site which at that time was at Montgomery County Community College. Booth was an artist when it came to setting up the luncheon and everything was always presented perfectly. This year we dedicated the

luncheon to his memory. With a lot of help from Kenny Sumner and his friend Shawn Nunmaker we were able to produce a luncheon of which Booth would have been proud.

Since we had our own pavilion for the luncheon and a dedicated ring, many lingered at the pavilion later in the day for the “afterparty” with Mark Gustavson preparing hors d’oeuvres and beverages. Fun times—and Nancy Nosiglia won the Hunting Horn pendant raffle!

I am very grateful to Hospitality Committee members who were so helpful in organizing all the events. Many thanks to Melissa Smith, Alyson Cleary, Lisa Sons, Amanda Kozora, Kenny Sumner, Joan Eckert, Dale Martins, Joyce Randazzo, Gail Simmons, Amelia Smith, Nancy Nosiglia, and Cathy Jennings; and to Carol Jeffery who was kind enough to help out with selling raffle tickets. If I have forgotten anyone, I apologize but your work is no less appreciated.

Judy Laffey
Hospitality Committee Chair 2024





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Judge
Mr. Martin Phillips

HATBORO 1

Hatboro Dog Club, NTCA Designated Specialty

Thursday October 3, 2024 at Macungie Memorial Park, Macungie, PA

The weather started out chilly, but progressed to a lovely clear warm day. Our judge was well-respected Mr. Martin Phillips from the United Kingdom, who drew an entry of 62 Norwich. As a designated specialty and with the impressive entries that showed, reserve winners dog and bitch each earned majors. Thanks to the generosity of our members, the rosettes and trophies from Hodges Badge Co. were wonderful.

Winners Dog

Pouch Cove Veritas Enjoy The Show

Owners-breeders: Peggy Helming & Wheatley Wentzel

Reserve Winners Dog

Terraraz Top Gun

3-point major

Owner-breeder: Helen Davio

Winners Bitch

Ragus Silverraine

Best of Winners, 5-point major, and earned her conformation championship

Owner-breeders: Susan Miller Hall, April Jones Clark and Lynn Marshall

Reserve Winners Bitch

Kellterra's When Calls The Heart To Wichhunt

3-point major

Owner-breeder: Sandy Keller

Co-owner: Judy McCulloch

Best of Breed

GCHB Maystar's Shonleh Michan Ruddy Duck

Breeders: Dr Frank James Bossong, Sharon Curry & Sandy Hamilton

Owners: Lynn Marshall, Dr Frank James Bossong & Sharon Curry

Best of Opposite Sex

GCH Fishback Michan Hard Truth

Owners-breeders: Susan Miller Hall, April Clark & Amy Clark

Select Dog

GCHS Haystack Sierra Royal

Henley's Got The Strokes

Breeders: Dina Moore-Tzouris & Mollie Davis

Owner: Ellen Lucas

Select Bitch

GCH Paradym Just For Laughs

Owner-breeder: Kelly A. Wood

Awards of Merit

CH Fly'N High With Little Louie

GCHS Country Boy Bud Wizer

GCHS Fishback Michan Major

Boothroyd

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Ch Fly'N High With Little Louie

Breeder-owner: Sharon L. Jones

Co-owner Patricia W. Minehart



Best of Breed
 GCHB Maystar's Shonleh Michan Ruddy Duck
 Breeders: Dr Frank James Bossong, Sharon Curry & Sandy Hamilton
 Owners: Lynn Marshall, Dr Frank James Bossong & Sharon Curry



Winners Dog
 Pouch Cove Veritas Enjoy The Show
 Owners-breeders: Peggy Helming & Wheatley Wentzel



Winners Bitch/Best of Winners
 Ragus Silverraine
 Owner-breeders: Susan Miller Hall, April Jones Clark
 and Lynn Marshall



Best of Opposite Sex
 GCH Fishback Michan Hard Truth
 Owner-breeders: Susan Miller Hall, April Clark
 & Amy Clark

Showfront



Judge

Mrs. Charlotte P. Patterson

HATBORO 2

Hatboro Dog Club, NTCA Designated Specialty

Friday October 4, 2024 at Macungie Memorial Park, Macungie, PA

Another glorious fall day. Our judge was Mrs. Charlotte P. Patterson, joining us from Florida, who drew an entry of 62 Norwich. As a designated specialty and with the impressive entries that showed, reserve winners dog and bitch again each earned majors.

Winners Dog

Elfin Beefeater

5-point major

Owner-breeder: Richard Wilson

Reserve Winners Dog

Michan Aidan Ring Of Fire

3-point major

Breeders: Lynn Marshall & Sharon Curry, Owner: Lynn Marshall

Winners Bitch

Paradym Polka Dot Bikini

Best of Winners and a 5-point major

Owner-breeder: Kelly A Wood

Reserve Winners Bitch

Kellterra's When Calls The Heart To Wichhunt

3-point major

Owner-breeder: Sandy Keller
Co-owner: Judy McCulloch

Best of Breed

GCHS Fishback Michan Major Boothroyd

Breeders-owners: Susan Miller Hall, April Clark, Amy Clark
Co-owner: Lynn Marshall

Best of Opposite Sex

GCH Fishback Michan Hard Truth

Owners-breeders: Susan Miller Hall, April Clark & Amy Clark

Select Dog

GCHB Maystar's Shonleh Michan Ruddy Duck

Breeders: Dr Frank James Bossong, Sharon Curry & Sandy Hamilton
Owners: Lynn Marshall, Dr Frank James Bossong & Sharon Curry

Select Bitch

GCH Wildefox's I Want It Now of Skyscot

Owners-breeders: Nancy A. Wilde & Leslie M. Becker

Awards of Merit

GCHS Haystack Sierra Royal Henley's Got The Stroke

GCH Seawich Terriers Queen Elizabeth by Passport

GCHB Foxbriar's National Pinnacle From Itsy Bitsy

NOHS



Hatboro 2 Judge's Critique

It was an honor to judge The Norwich Club Specialty. The entry as a whole was very impressive. I had choices in each class which is always a plus. Overall, the quality was excellent. I was very pleased to note beautiful expressions with proper eye placement and size. One could certainly realize the hard work

that had been put into the coats. Your breed is in excellent shape and the breeders are to be congratulated for your dedication. Once again thank you for the opportunity to judge one of my favorite breeds.

Charlotte Patterson



Winners Dog
Elfin Beefeater

Owner-breeder: Richard Wilson



Reserve Winners Dog
Michan Aidan Ring Of Fire

Breeders: Lynn Marshall & Sharon Curry, Owner: Lynn Marshall



Best of Breed
GCHS Fishback Michan Major Boothroyd

Breeders-owners: Susan Miller Hall, April Clark, Amy Clark, Co-owner: Lynn Marshall



Best of Winners
Paradym Polka Dot Bikini

Owner-breeder: Kelly A Wood



Select Bitch
GCH Wildefox's I Want It Now of Skyscot

Owners-breeders: Nancy A. Wilde & Leslie M. Becker



Best of Opposite Sex
GCH Fishback Michan Hard Truth

Owners-breeders: Susan Miller Hall, April Clark & Amy Clark

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Judge
Mr. Peter Lauber

DEVON DOG SHOW ASSOCIATION

NTCA Designated Specialty

Saturday October 5, 2024 at the Horse Show Grounds, Ludwig's Corner, PA

A very windy, cold morning to start our 9am ring time but for once, no rain! Our judge was Mr. Peter Lauber from Bottmingen, Switzerland. Mr. Lauber drew an entry of 51 Norwich. The class entries unfortunately did not meet the requirements for reserve winners to earn majors.

Winners Dog

Pouch Cove Veritas Enjoy The Show

5-point major

Owners-breeders: Peggy Helming & Wheatley Wentzel

Reserve Winners Dog

Michan Aidan Ring Of Fire

Breeders: Lynn Marshall & Sharon Curry

Owner: Lynn Marshall

Winners Bitch

Kellterra's When Calls The Heart To Wichhunt

Best of Winners and a 5-point major

Owner-breeder: Sandy Keller
Co-owner: Judy McCulloch

Reserve Winners Bitch

Paradym Polka Dot Bikini

Owner-breeder: Kelly A Wood

Best of Breed

GCH Paradym Just For Laughs

Owner-breeder: Kelly A. Wood

Best of Opposite Sex

GCHB Maystar's Shonleh Michan Ruddy Duck

Breeders: Dr Frank James Bossong, Sharon Curry & Sandy Hamilton
Owners: Lynn Marshall, Dr Frank James Bossong & Sharon Curry

Select Dog

GCHS Haystack Sierra Royal Henley's Got The Strokes

Breeders: Dina Moore-Tzouris & Mollie Davis
Owner: Ellen Lucas

Select Bitch

GCH Fishback Michan Hard Truth

Owners-breeders: Susan Miller Hall, April Clark & Amy Clark



Best of Breed

GCH Paradym Just For Laughs

Owner-breeder: Kelly A. Wood

Devon Judge's Critique

I had the honor to judge different Terrier breeds at Devon during the Montgomery weekend.

Among others, the specialty of the Norwich Terrier Club of America with an entry of 51 dogs. We never get these high entries in Norwich in Europe. What a joy to see so many typey Norwich Terriers to go over. Most of them in top condition and well-handled.

It wasn't an easy decision as there were many great dogs. I was happy with my class winners, some just need a bit of time to mature.

But my BOB stood really out in this huge class of specials. She is so well constructed, with great type and expression, super short in back with lovely reach of neck, good coat and such a sound mover. A true show girl. She could win everywhere!

The BOS too is a very nice dog with correct conformation, type, coat, condition and movement. Perfectly handled. A real joy to see!

I would like to thank the Club for having me and of course the exhibitors to enter their dogs under me. I admired your sportsmanship as I know how much work, many hours and passion you put into the care of your dogs to keep them in show condition.

Peter Lauber



Winners Dog
Pouch Cove Veritas
Enjoy The Show

Owners-breeders:
Peggy Helming &
Wheatley Wentzel



Winner's Bitch/Best of Winners
Kellterra's When
Calls The Heart To
Wichhunt

Owner-breeder: Sandy
Keller, Co-owner: Judy
McCulloch



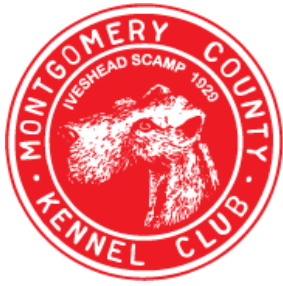
Select Bitch
GCH Fishback Michan
Hard Truth

Owners-breeders:
Susan Miller Hall, April
Clark & Amy Clark

Showfront

DEVON





2024 NATIONAL SPECIALTY

Montgomery County Kennel Club

Sunday, October 6, 2024 at Macungie Memorial Park, Macungie, PA

Breed Judge
Mr. Bob Busby

Sweepstakes Judge
Ms. Judy Laffey



Best of Breed

GCHS Haystack Sierra Royal Henley's Got The Strokes

Owner: Ellen Lucas, Breeder: Dina Moore-Tzouris & Mollie R Davis



Best of Winners/Winners Dog

Pouch Cove Veritas Original Grand Slam

Owner/Breeder: Peggy Helming & Wheatley Wentzell



Best of Opposite Sex/BBE in Breed

GCH Paradym Just For Laughs

Owner/Breeder: Kelly Wood

Showfront

Best of Breed

GCHS Haystack Sierra Royal Henley's Got The Strokes

Owner: Ellen Lucas, Breeder: Dina Moore-Tzouris & Mollie R Davis

Best of Winners/ Winners Dog

Pouch Cove Veritas Original Grand Slam

Owner/Breeder: Peggy Helming & Wheatley Wentzell

Best of Opposite Sex/ BBE in Breed

GCH Paradym Just For Laughs
Owner/Breeder: Kelly Wood

Select

GCHB Maystar's Shonleh Michan Ruddy Duck

Owner: Lynn Marshall & Dr. Frank James Bossong & Sandy Hamilton, Breeder: Dr. Frank James Bossong & Sharon Curry & Sandy Hamilton

Select

GCH Fishback Michan Hard Truth

Owner/Breeder: Susan Miller Hall & April Clark & Amy Clark

Winners Bitch

Kellterra's When Calls The Heart To Wichhunt

Owner: Sandy Keller & Judy McCulloch, Breeder: Sandy Keller

Award of Merit/Best Bred By Exhibitor

Ch Fly'N High With Little Louie

Owner: Patricia W. Minehart & Sharon L Jones, Breeder: Sharon L Jones

Awards of Merit

GCHS Country Boy Bud Wizer

Owner: James DeMason & Jennifer DeMason, Breeder: Linda McCutcheon

GCHS Fishback Michan Major Boothroyd

Owner: April Clark & Susan Miller Hall & Amy Clark & Lynn Marshall, Breeder: Susan Miller Hall & April Clark & Amy Clark

GCHB Camio's Walking On Air For Half A Bob

Owner/Breeder: Catherine Rogers

Brood Bitch

CH Wildefox's Ante Up

Owner: Nancy Wilde & Leslie M Becker, Breeder: Nancy A Wilde

Stud Dog

GCH Casino's Triple Deuces

Owner: Catherine Jennings, Breeder: Caroline Dodwell

Brace

Fayna Ukraina Bestiyana

Owner: Linda J Stump-Kurnick, Breeder: Yana Volosnikova

GCHB Havic's Winnie At Tuffy's Brown Dogs

Owner: Linda Stump Kurnick & Harriet Allen, Breeder: Harriet Allen

Best Bred By in Classes

Terraraz Top Gun

Owner/Breeder: Helen C. Davio

Best in Sweepstakes

Paradym Polka Dot Bikini

Owner/Breeder: Kelly Wood

Best of Opposite in Sweepstakes

Michan Aidan Ring Of Fire

Owner: Lynn Marshall, Breeder: Lynn Marshall & Sharon Curry

Best in Veteran Sweepstakes

GCH Paradym Just For Laughs

Owner/Breeder: Kelly Wood

Best of Opposite in Veteran Sweepstakes

GCHG Wildefox's Ace Up My Sleeve

Owner/Breeder: Nancy A Wilde



Select Dog
GCHB Maystar's Shonleh Michan Ruddy Duck

Owner: Lynn Marshall & Dr. Frank James Bossong & Sandy Hamilton,
 Breeder: Dr. Frank James Bossong & Sharon Curry & Sandy Hamilton



Select Bitch
GCH Fishback Michan Hard Truth

Owner/Breeder: Susan Miller Hall & April Clark & Amy Clark



Winners Bitch
Kellterra's When Calls The Heart To Wichhunt

Owner: Sandy Keller & Judy McCulloch, Breeder: Sandy Keller

Judge's Critique

God truly blessed us with gorgeous weather for the NTCA 15th Anniversary. I was very humbled when I received the call asking if I would accept the assignment and pleasantly surprised when I saw the entry.

In my opinion the entry was absolutely lovely. As I went over each exhibit, the standard rolled through my mind. All things considered: size, proportion, substance, eyes (shape, color, expression), ears (erect, upright when alert), muzzle is wedge shaped, nose & lip black, teeth large—scissors bite. Body: moderately

short, compact. Tail carried erect. Coat hard, shown as natural as possible. Gait, great power of propulsion, driving, top remains level.

In my opinion there were only a few bites that were questionable, a few eye colors could be darker.

BOB winners dog, reserve winners dog, winners bitch and reserve winners bitch were easy finds, very deserving. On a different day it could easily flip-flop.

Best of Breed competition was very challenging. The entry was excellent—not enough ribbons to go around. In my opinion

every exhibit in the ring deserved to have the title of Champion.

“Fit working condition is a prime consideration.” So! We have to go! There are those that may say, “Bob is a movement judge.” Not necessarily so. I’m looking for balance, soundness, and the Will—the inner soul found in a hardy hunt terrier.

The Best of Breed winner of NTCA 2024, won it! That little red dog was taking home that ribbon! I didn’t give it to him, he took it!

Thank You, and God Bless!

Breeder-Judge Bob Busby
Di Dio Norwich Terriers

Showfront



Photo by Rhonda Cassidy



**Award of Merit/
Best Bred By Exhibitor
Ch Fly'N High With Little Louie**

Owner: Patricia W. Minehart & Sharon L Jones, Breeder: Sharon L Jones



**Award of Merit
GCHS Fishback Michan Major
Boothroyd**

Owner: April Clark & Susan Miller Hall & Amy Clark & Lynn Marshall, Breeder: Susan Miller Hall & April Clark



**Award of Merit
GCHB Camio's Walking On Air For
Half A Bob**

Owner/Breeder: Catherine Rogers



**Best in Veteran Sweepstakes
GCH Paradym Just For Laughs**

Owner/Breeder: Kelly Wood



**Brood Bitch
CH Wildefox's Ante Up**

Owner: Nancy Wilde & Leslie M Becker, Breeder: Nancy A Wilde



**Stud Dog
GCH Casino's Triple Deuces**

Owner: Catherine Jennings, Breeder: Caroline Dodwell



Reserve Winners Dog
Belfyre Mikey Likes It At Fishback

Breeder: Polly O'Neil, owners: April Clark & Susan Miller Hall



Reserve Winners Bitch
Pouch Cove Veritas Heirfare

Owner/Breeder: Peggy Helming & Wheatley Wentzell



Best in Sweeps
Paradym Polka Dot Bikini

Owner/Breeder: Kelly Wood



Best in Veteran Sweepstakes
GCH Paradym Just For Laughs

Owner/Breeder: Kelly Wood



Winning Littermates!

Pouch Cove Veritas Original Grand Slam (Best of Winners/Winners Dog) and **Pouch Cove Veritas Heirfare** (Reserve Winners Bitch), both owned and bred by Peggy Helming & Wheatley Wentzell

New & Noteworthy

NEW TITLES

Champion

- CH Alegria Pardon My Stardust At Barnstable
- CH Barnstable All Things Considered
- CH Copacetic Trix Are For Rabbits
- CH Coventry's Anything Goes At Fozzie
- CH Elfin Beefeater
- CH Itsy Bitsy Thistledown Family Affair
- CH Itsy Bitsy Thistledown Meetmeat Paddington Station
- CH Kellterra's When Calls The Heart To Wichunt
- CH Pouch Cove Veritas Enjoy The Show
- CH Pouch Cove's Veritas Original Grand Slam
- CH Ragus Silverrain
- CH Verdant's Prince Archibald George Of Netarts Bay
- CH Wildefox's Kokomo

Grand Champion

GCH CH Redfearn's Mischief Minnow From Highwood

Grand Champion Silver

GCHS CH Verdant's O What A Conundrum CGC

Grand Champion Gold

- GCHG CH Foxbriar's National Pinnacle From Itsy Bitsy
- GCHG CH Haystack Sierra Royal Henley's Got The Strokes
- GCHG CH Maystar's Shonleh Michan Ruddy Duck

Utility Dog Excellent

CH Maystar's Three Dog Night UDX OM1 BN RN FTN

Rally Novice

GCH CH Dignpop Big Dipper RN TKN

Rally Advanced

CH Breakaway's All Betties Are Off CD BN RA AX AXJ MFB FCAT TKI FTN

Open Agility

- Camio's Wiz Kid At Beachpine OA OAJ OF
- CH Top Drawer's Pontiac Tornado OA NAJ OF

Agility Excellent Preferred

Divnoye Divo Top Model Greta AXP AJP NFP

Master Agility Excellent

CH Itsy Bitsy Above And Beyond RN MX MXJ MFB T2B RATN CGC TKN

Master Bronze Agility 2

GCH CH MACH3 Coventrys Maraschino Cherry MXB2 MJB2 XF T2B3 DCAT CGC TKI

Novice Agility Jumper

CH Kaleidoscope Curling NAJ BCAT TKN

Open Agility Jumper

Camio's Too Hot For Words RA OA OAJ BCAT

Excellent Agility Jumper

Tidewaters Roulette @ Coventry RA OA AXJ OAP NJP OF NFP BCAT ACT1 SCN SIN SBN CGCA TKN

Excellent Agility Jumper Preferred

Divnoye Divo Top Model Greta AXP AJP NFP

Master Excellent Jumper

CH Itsy Bitsy Above And Beyond RN AX MXJ MFB T2B RATN CGC TKN

Excellent Agility Jumper Preferred 13

PACH3 Shaksper Hippolyta RI FDC OA AXJ MXP9 MXPG MJP13 MJPB2 PJDP PAX3 NF MFP RATO CGC

Excellent Agility Jumper Preferred 23

PACH6 The Outlaw Of Image MX AXJ MXP19 MXPG2 MJP23 MJPB3 PAX6 MFP T2BP3 SWN SCA SIA SEA SHDA THD RATO CGC

Agility FAST Open

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Agility FAST Open Preferred

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Agility FAST Excellent

CH Top Drawer's Pontiac Tornado OA NAJ XF

Master Agility Champion 4

GCH CH MACH4 Coventrys Maraschino Cherry MXB2 MJB2 XF T2B3 DCAT CGC TKI

Time 2 Beat 3

GCH CH MACH3 Coventrys Maraschino Cherry MXC MJB2 XF T2B3 DCAT CGC TKI

BCAT

Divnoye Divo Top Model Greta AXP AJP NFP BCAT

FCAT8

CH Coventry's Girl Can'T Help It @ Linden NE CA FCAT8 CGC TKI VHMA FITS

Canine Good Citizen

- Breakaway's All Abuzz CGC
- Goldrush's At The Hop CGC
- Itsy Bitsy Thistledown Family Mischief CGC

Trick Dog Novice, AKC Temperament Test

CH Den-Mar's Born An Oak CGC TKN ATT

Fetch Retriever

CH Kilyka's Witch Upon A Star UD RM NA NAJ CGC FTR

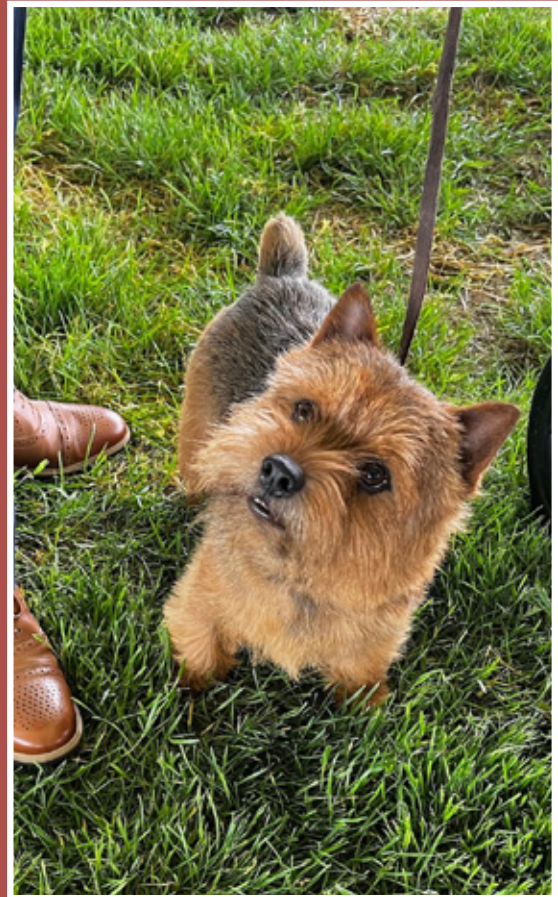


Stanley

GCHS CH VERDANT'S O WHAT A CONUNDRUM CGC

For the 2024 National Owner Handler Series year, Stanley ended up the #1 Terrier and #4 All-Breed.

He also became the #1 NOHS Lifetime Norwich. 2024 has been amazing for us with an all-breed Best In Show and 12 NOHS BIS wins.



Pepper

CH Pouch Cove Veritas Enjoy The Show

Pepper finished at Hatboro 1 with a 5-point major. Bred and owned by Peggy Helmong and Wheatley Wentzell. Lives with and adored by Jill and Robert LaRocco

New & Noteworthy

BE STRONG

By Chris Zink DVM PhD DACVP DACVSMR

Every dog needs to be strong and strength is needed in every dog sport, from Conformation to Earthdog and all the sports in between. Strength is also strongly correlated with increased longevity in dogs, and we all want that! Many people think that the best way to strengthen their dogs is to take them for a walk. However, although walks provide excellent “Good for the Soul” exercise, with abundant sensory stimulation—sights, smells, sounds, new surfaces, and even some tasty treats (either served by you or discovered in the environment)—they do not increase your dog’s strength. Even if you also train your dog in one or more sports and play fun games like retrieving, those

activities still do not improve strength much, and they certainly don’t target the parts of the body that need strength the most—the core muscles.

A typical strength exercise for humans is weightlifting. Since dogs don’t have opposable thumbs, they tend to drop the barbells. So, for canine strength exercises we use the dog’s body as the weight. Strength exercises require that the dog moves its body over short distances, accelerating, decelerating, turning, etc. The table below lists some strength activities and the sports that require those activities, and the following examples demonstrate just how important strength is to active dogs.



Strength Components and Norwich Terrier Activities

STRENGTH COMPONENT	ACTIVITIES AND SPORTS
ACCELERATION	CONFORMATION, AGILITY, OBEDIENCE, RALLY, TRACKING, AND MOST OTHER SPORTS
DECELERATION	
TURNING	
STOPPING	
JUMPING	AGILITY, FLYBALL, OBEDIENCE, RALLY
CARRYING AN OBJECT	OBEDIENCE
PUSHING UP AGAINST A HARNESS	TRACKING
HEADS-UP HEELING	OBEDIENCE, RALLY

Strength Means Speed

Strength is directly related to speed. If you want your dog to be fast at any sport or working job, your dog needs to be strong.

Strength Means Fewer Injuries and A Longer Health Span

Strong adult dogs have a 66% reduced risk of injuries, and strength training definitely increases the longevity of senior and geriatric dogs. Sadly, many dogs are euthanized every year because they can no longer climb stairs, retain their balance on slippery floors, or even stand up from a down position. For the vast majority of these dogs, strong core and rear leg musculature would allow them to retain their quality of life for months or even years longer.



Where To Start?

Just as with people, most dogs have weak core muscles. One of the best strength exercises for the core is teaching your dog to sit up on its haunches. This exercise can really pay off in preventing

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injuries in active dogs! In addition to targeting the core muscles, the sit-up requires no equipment (except delicious treats), can be performed indoors when the weather outside is nasty, and is

non-concussive so you are not adding more impact to your dog's already active life. If you have time to teach just one exercise, this is the one to do! **The steps to train your dog the sit-up are on the next page.**

But wait a minute! Maybe you heard that this exercise was not safe for dogs. Some sites on

the internet say that you should NEVER do this exercise with dogs because it would put too much pressure on the joints of the spine. When I heard that rumor, I did what everyone should do—I looked for scientific evidence. I found a published study where the amount of pressure on the spine was measured when dogs were sitting up on their haunches. And guess what? A dog puts two to three times more pressure on the joints of the spine by just standing still, going up or down stairs, or going from a sit to a stand than when sitting up on the haunches. That puts any concerns about this exercise being dangerous to rest. Of course, this exercise should not be performed with a dog that has any condition that causes back pain—those dogs need a diagnosis to determine the cause of the pain, which would then be directly addressed.

As you and your dog share life's activities and as your dog ages and continues to be able to climb stairs, jump into your vehicle, and get onto your bed at night, you will be so grateful that you spent just a few minutes several times a week engaging in strength-building activities. Videos demonstrating dozens of non-impact strength exercises that are targeted to the front legs, rear legs, and core can be obtained at caninesports.com/product/ffl-videos or vimeo.com/ondemand/caninefitforlife

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HOW TO TRAIN THE SIT-UP

This is a difficult exercise for many dogs initially, so progress slowly through the stages, only gradually making the exercise more difficult. Do not practice more often than every other day. Progress through these instructions step-by-step, not skipping any.

- Start with your dog sitting and nibbling treats—always have your dog nibbling treats throughout this exercise
- Move the food backward and just a little bit upward to a position where it is over the base of your dog's tail so that the spine is perpendicular to the floor. Don't hold the food so high that your dog must stretch its neck or stand up to reach the food
- If your dog moves away or tries to stand up, quickly put the food behind your back and look away. After a moment, try again. Your dog soon will learn they won't get treats for other types of movement
- Many dogs are initially too weak to get their front feet off the ground, so give your dog a treat just for lifting one foot slightly off the ground, then for two feet. After 7 to 10 days of trying, dogs usually have built up enough muscle to be able to sit up with both front feet off the ground
- Keep working the exercise until your dog can do three 15-second sit-ups, with 5-second breaks in between
- Next, try to lure your dog off balance using various methods
- Move the food side to side, back and forth, up and down
- Push on your dog's chest from the sides, front, and back
- Move the exercise from a solid surface to working on a soft, flat surface like a bed, ottoman, or folded stack of blankets
- Finally, progress to working on hills (facing a different direction each session). The muscles that are facing uphill do the most work

Work this exercise until your dog is unable to do it, and falls over or puts its feet down. This is absolutely critical. For your dog to get stronger, you need to work to overload. If your dog cannot do three 15-second sit-ups, stop for the day and try again in the next session.

About the Author

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named Outstanding Woman Veterinarian of the Year in 2009. As a canine sports competitor, Dr. Zink has put over 200 titles on dogs from five different Groups in Agility, Obedience, Rally, Conformation, Tracking, Hunt Tests, Barn Hunt, Lure Coursing, FastCAT, Nosework, and Scent Work, including titles in Agility, Conformation, Barn Hunt, Lure Coursing, FastCAT, Nosework, and Scent Work on her Norwich Terrier, Helix.

BREEDER SPOTLIGHT

Cary Trexler and Andrew Chen

Verdant Norwich

Q: What is your history with Norwich terriers?

We wanted to add a companion to our household before Cary's Fulbright Fellowship in Vietnam began in 2006. We settled on a Norwich because it was the perfect mix of modest stature, adaptability to city life, sociability, and a healthy dose of mischief. For a few months, we met with breeders in person and via the internet at dog shows and other club gatherings. We learned the hard way that obtaining a Norwich terrier is no picnic. A C-section or artificial insemination may be necessary due to this breed's tiny litter size.

Carole Foucrault (Briardales) finally let us buy our first Norwich bitch, Briardales No Nonsense Ninã, in 2007 after nearly a year of waiting. Carole has extensive knowledge of the dog show world and has owned top winning Norwich terriers. At first, our agreement was limited to showing Ninã until she finished her championship title and then breeding a litter of puppies. We had no intention of making a life out of breeding and exhibiting Norwich. Andrew began taking Ninã to conformation courses on Carole's recommendation as a way to pass the time and prepare Ninã for dog shows.

After that, instead of just being a pet owner,

he was encouraged to show Ninã as an owner/handler. Going to a dog show for the first time turned into a snowball effect. Because Ninã disliked competing in dog shows, we bred her to Briardales King of the Road (RV), a dog that had won Winner Dog at the 2009 National Specialty. In 2010 Ninã produced a singleton we called Apollo.

In 2011 we finished Apollo ourselves in a few shows—this was a huge contrast with Ninã who competed at more than 120 shows before finishing. We hired Amy Rutherford to show Apollo in 2012 and 2013. We were incredibly lucky to have bred the Norwich terrier that was crowned number one breed point in 2013.

After that, we wasted no time in contacting other Norwich breeders in an effort to buy or lease a bitch to mate

with Apollo, but we were repeatedly turned down. Meanwhile, to broaden and enhance our breeding program, we continued to breed Ninã with other sires. At the 2014 Indio dog show, we met Marie Cato of Den-Mar Kennel, and she graciously agreed to let us lease a bitch. We bred Den-Mar's Chloepatra At Verdant, another female we got from Marie, to Apollo later on. The 2018 National Specialty Winners bitch, Verdant's Dreamin' of the Ivy League, was a



2018 National Specialty in Saint Louis

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singleton from the mating. Reserve Winners Dog at the same show went to Verdant's Levi The Lucky One, also sired by Apollo. Sometime later, Levi was the number one breed point title holder



in 2020. We are proud to have bred a top-ranking father and son combo that shares similar lineage. Our most recent milestone was finishing our 50th home-bred Norwich champion. The majority of these champions were owner-handled to their championships.

Q: How did you derive your kennel name?

We originally wanted the kennel name, "No Nonsense" but was informed by AKC that it was taken—although we never found another kennel by that name. We're both avid NPR listeners. The slogan used to highlight John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation's NPR contribution has the word "verdant" which means green with lush vegetation. Green is Cary's favorite color and we always envision a pack of Norwich running in a green pasture, free and lively.

Q: Were dogs always a part of your life?

Growing up Cary had Springer Spaniels as pets. He was also involved in FFA and had shown cattle and sheep growing up.

Andrew had mixed-breed dogs as a pet until he was nine years old, while growing up in Malaysia.

He had never had a pure-bred dog until he started owning and breeding Norwich.

Q: Did you breed any other breed before this?

The Norwich Terrier is our first breed. We purchased a Miniature Pinscher about two years ago and finished her championship. We wanted to become Min Pin breeders and show in the toy breed. Through trial and error, we learned that showing a toy breed requires different training, handling, and socialization. We hope to breed our first Min Pin litter soon and acquire a champion title on a couple of Min Pins.



Q: How did you become interested in Norwich terriers specifically?

When Cary was twenty-one years old he became involved in confirmation shows with his former partner, Greg Anderson (a Cocker handler and currently an AKC judge). Cary has always been very fond of Norwich terriers. He first encountered Norwich terriers through two of his longtime friends, Jerry Rozman and Dee LaVigne, who owned a top winning Norwich terrier in the late 70s and early 80s. Jerry sold a dog named Seaforth's Tuffy Travis to Ed Flesh and David Powers. Travis won the Montgomery show a couple of times. David is still judging dogs, but the other three gentlemen have

passed on. In essence, then, Cary has been around Norwich for about 40 years.

Q: What is your breeding philosophy and objective? How do you decide which dogs to keep?

Our breeding philosophy is focused on producing sound, healthy, and well-tempered Norwich Terriers. We aim to uphold breed standards, carefully selecting breeding stock based on health, temperament, and show potential. Our ultimate goal is to produce successful show dogs and cherished family companions. We study pedigrees and look at both the qualities and faults of our breeding stock. We strive to look for a mate that enhances the qualities and balances the flaws. We use online breeding software like pedigree charts to help trace lineage and research successful traits in prior generations to increase the likelihood of favorable breed characteristics. We use both in-breeding and outcrossing to reinforce specific traits, support balanced genetic diversity, introduce new traits or broaden the gene pool, and reduce the risk of inherited diseases. A judicious outcrossing can be of immense value in producing an aggregation of desired breed traits. We are also strong advocates of natural whelping; we believe it supports the release of hormones that facilitate maternal behaviors and bonding with the puppies. This is a top priority for our program. We always let our girls try to free whelp and have lost pups along the way, but are willing to do this if it results in girls that can deliver on their own. We wonder, “why is it that our breed has such a difficult time delivering pups without c-sections?”

When deciding on dogs selected to be included in our breeding program, we evaluate the physical structure, movement, and temperament in determining if a puppy has potential for the

Our ultimate goal is to produce successful show dogs and cherished family companions.

show ring or what the puppy can contribute to the multi-generational breeding program. We look for a puppy that exhibits breed type, good bone or substance, a balanced proportion, front and rear gait, an excellent wiry terrier coat, and a “no-nonsense” and spunky terrier-like personality. We believe that being a household of two dog breeders who have diverging opinions forces us to use a critical lens to evaluate our puppies objectively and constructively. We understand all dogs have flaws; we focus on maximizing the desirable traits and improving the faults through selective breeding. We have been breeding since 2010. We have aspired to develop a distinctive “style” in our dogs, which has involved many years of careful blending of different bloodlines. Our primary focus has shifted to refining structure and movement to create a “distinct and recognizable Verdant Norwich type” that reflects both proper breed standards and our vision. This process is ongoing, balancing type with structure to best represent the breed standards.

Q: What is your advice for breeders—both established as well as new to breeding Norwich?

We are critical of our breeding stock and like to ask for other knowledgeable and respectable breeders to critique our dogs. Our interpretation of the breed standards guides us to make breeding decisions. We selectively breed a stud and a bitch based on how they complement each other’s traits.

Our main breeding philosophy is to breed a progeny better than its sire and dam. We aren’t afraid to look for stud dogs that are not within our immediate vicinity. We believe sometimes some breeders might make breeding decisions based on the stud dog’s accessibility and ranking. A top-ranking dog is not a foolproof choice to

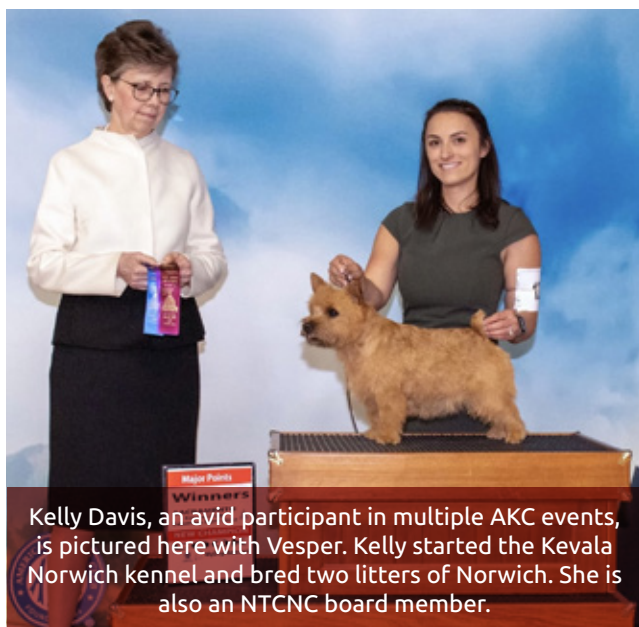
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Linda Martin, former Basenji breeder, pictured here with Hannah. Linda has bred two litters of Norwich.



Madeline Hill and Lauren Hill, Labrador breeder, pictured here with Gemma. Madeline has bred two litters of Norwich.



Kelly Davis, an avid participant in multiple AKC events, is pictured here with Vesper. Kelly started the Kevala Norwich kennel and bred two litters of Norwich. She is also an NTCNC board member.

produce high quality dogs. We have witnessed several top-ranking dogs (mainly outcrosses) that have produced inconsistent progeny. We are very honest and transparent when talking to other breeders about the qualities and faults of our breeding stock.

About ten years ago, we decided to move to the countryside so we could have more dogs. We knew that we couldn't make progress breeding unless we had more bitches. More bitches means more pups to choose from. We are now at a point where we produce more show quality pups than we can show ourselves so sometimes we sell show dogs and sometimes we sell pets that are of show quality.

We pride ourselves in mentoring new Norwich fanciers in California. One of things that we are most proud of is helping others get into Norwich. Over the last four years, we have helped nine people get into Norwich showing and breeding (seven are breeding). Our breed's longevity depends on our shared commitment to attract the younger generation or pulling in old timers from other breeds as they downsize. We have noticed the declining trend of our national specialty entries, and seen few new exhibitors being lured into showing or breeding Norwich.

Q: What is your most memorable accomplishment?

We've produced 50 home bred champions which were primarily shown by us. Second, we've bred two #1 AKC breed point winners seven years apart. And finally, we have brought new folks into the breed, some show and some breed.



Make From Scratch Mother's Pudding Core Recipe Card

Here's the recipe for mother's pudding - a great source of calcium, fat, and protein for lactating bitches, plus quick energy from the sugar.

Bitches love it and will (in our experience) gladly lap it up even when they're being finicky about their regular food. Our 55-65ish pound bitches will consume two batches per day when lactating.

INGREDIENTS

- 4 egg yolks
- 4 cups milk* (950ml / 33fl oz)
- 1 tablespoon vanilla
- 2/3 cup sugar (134g / 4.7oz)
- 6 tablespoons cornstarch (cornflower)
- 1/2 teaspoon salt

METHOD

1. In a large mixing bowl, beat together the egg yolks, and then slowly pour and mix in the milk.
2. Add the vanilla, sugar, cornstarch and salt, a little at a time, mixing well as you go.
3. Pour the mixture into a large saucepan and slowly warm over a medium heat, stirring continuous for 10-15 mins.
4. As the mixture thickens, slowly bring it up to boil (bubbles form at edges), and then take it off the heat immediately.




Is it a Pudding or is it Custard?

Well... depending on where you live, it could be either! In the U.S. it is known as a "pudding" mix, however in the U.K. or Australia (for example) it would be more commonly known as "custard".

The important thing to note is that it should be a thick liquid consistency which coats the back of a metal spoon.



Please see over page for additional notes.



* **Milk** - We use raw goat milk but pasteurized goat milk is fine if that's what you have. Goat milk has smaller molecules and is more easily digested than cow's milk. Just as in humans, some dogs appear to tolerate cow's milk and some do not. As this is probably not a great time to experiment and find out if your bitch will do well on cow's milk, we recommend you do everything you can to get your hands on goat milk!

Equal parts evaporated milk and water can also be used as an alternative.

Alternative recipe using vanilla pudding from a packet

If you have one to hand you can also make this with a package of vanilla pudding filling.

- 1 package vanilla pudding
- 4 cups milk* (950ml / 33fl oz)
- 1/2 cup sugar (100g / 3.5oz)
- 4 egg yolks



VERY IMPORTANT - do not use **instant** pudding!
It has an additive that can give the puppies diarrhea.
Use the kind of pudding that has to be cooked.



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LEPTOSPIROSIS VACCINE UPDATE

NTCA Health Committee

November 20, 2024

The word “lepto” will often bring a feeling of dread when mentioned during a discussion about a dog’s health—it is also a term that can trigger a lively debate when mentioned during a discussion of canine vaccines. But what is

Leptospirosis and how can we protect our dogs?

Leptospirosis, or “lepto” as it is often referred

to, is a disease

caused by infection

with numerous

different serovars

of bacteria in the

genus *Leptospira*

(serovars refer

to closely related

microorganisms

distinguished by

a characteristic

set of antigens).

Lepto is a zoonotic

disease, affecting

humans and animals,

which is spread

through urine-

contaminated water,

such as stagnant

puddles and ponds

frequented by

infected wildlife

and farm animals

including cattle, pigs, horses, sheep, goats,

rats, and raccoons. It is currently one of the

most common zoonotic diseases that can

be transmitted from animals to people. Left

untreated, Leptospirosis can be fatal. It is

responsive to antibiotics and complete recovery

is possible, but some dogs that survive may be

left with chronic kidney or liver disease.

Animals with lepto shed live bacteria in their

urine contaminating water sources and soil. The

lepto bacteria can survive in wet environments

for weeks or months. Dogs typically become

infected when their mucous membranes (as in

the mouth, nose, or eyes) or skin wounds (like

cuts or scrapes) are exposed to urine or urine-

contaminated water or soil. Infection can also

be spread through urine-contaminated food or

bedding.

Exposure to or

drinking from

slow-moving or

stagnant water

sources, like

ponds, rivers,

lakes, or streams,

roaming on

rural properties

(because of

exposure to

potentially

infected wildlife

or farm animals

or urine-

contaminated

water sources),

exposure to

wild animals

(especially

rodents) or farm

animals, even

if in the backyard, and contact with other dogs

(such as in urban areas, dog parks, or boarding or

training facilities).

According to the American Veterinary Medical

Association (AVMA), as recently as March

2024 “Leptospirosis is most commonly seen in

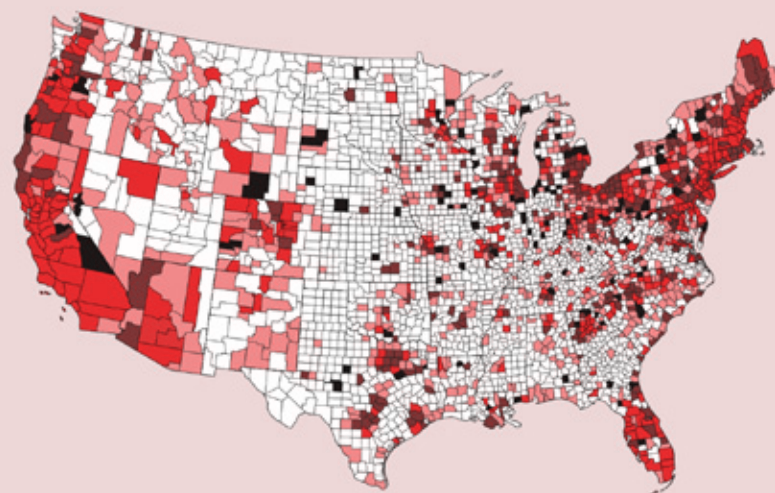
the fall in the Northeast, wintertime or early

spring in California, and year-round in the

South. Notwithstanding where a dog lives,

the updated document says, “All dogs are at

Leptospirosis is rapidly increasing in prevalence and expanding in geography, with dogs in every state at risk.



Dogs testing leptospirosis positive 2000–2014*



White A et al. Vet J. 2017;222:29-35.

*Colored prevalence in map is an approximation.

risk of leptospirosis, regardless of signalment, geographic location, lifestyle, and the time of year.” Small breed dogs and dogs that live in urban environments may at first seem to have a lower risk but are in fact the most frequent patients in veterinary hospitals that are diagnosed with leptospirosis.

The lepto vaccine was thought to cause severe reactions in dogs and many breeders doubted its efficacy because there are over 200 Leptospira serovars and the vaccine protects against only four; however, those four are the most common found in dogs and according to the recent report by the AKC, cross-protection for other serovars has been documented. For many years, the vaccine for Leptospira was avoided by many Norwich Terrier breeders as demonstrated in a survey done by the Norwich Terrier Club of America in 2017 where 65% of respondents said they would discourage puppy buyers from vaccinating for Leptospira. At that time, the lepto vaccine was considered optional, but after years of research by the American College of Veterinary Internal Medicine (ACVIM) the vaccine for Leptospira is now listed as a “core” vaccine. Core vaccines are considered vital and are based on the risk of exposure, severity of disease, or transmissibility to humans.

There has been a great deal of research in the seven years since that NTCA survey and leaders in veterinary infectious disease now encourage breeders and dog owners to reconsider the

vaccine for lepto. The ACVIM recently published an update to the 2010 consensus statement on Leptospira in dogs which incorporates over ten years of research and offers more insight into preventing, treating and diagnosing this zoonotic disease.

The ACVIM updated consensus statement, which was published in the October 2023 issue of the *Journal of Veterinary Internal Medicine*, recommends the lepto vaccine should be administered annually to all dogs starting at twelve weeks of age. In the updated statement the authors state, “Leptospira vaccines have similar immunological adverse effects as do other parentally administered vaccines. Patient factors such as breed and size can influence the risk of vaccine-associated adverse events, regardless of the antigen source. Research approximately two decades ago indicated that some vaccines for dogs that included a *Leptospira* component contained high concentrations of bovine serum albumin, which could account for post-vaccinal IgE-based adverse events. More recent research indicates protein content, concentrations, and severe adverse event rates are not higher for leptospira vaccines than distemper-parvovirus or rabies vaccines.” The full ACVIM article can be read at: onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1111/jvim.16903

Currently, bacterin vaccines containing serovars Icterohaemorrhagiae, Canicola, Grippotyphosa, and Pomona are available in North America for prevention of leptospirosis in dogs.

The American College of Veterinary Internal Medicine (ACVIM) recommend lepto vaccination.

The ACVIM consensus statement encourages veterinarians to vaccinate at-risk canine patients with 4-serovar vaccines, regardless of breed.⁵

“In geographic locations in which infection occurs in urban, backyard dogs, all dogs may be at risk, and the vaccine may be considered part of a core vaccination protocol.”⁵

New & Noteworthy

The American Kennel Club (AKC) reported in July 2024 that Leptospirosis will now be included in the updated list of core vaccines as recommended by the ACVIM. You may read the full AKC announcement at: akc.org/expert-advice/dog-breeding/announcing-updated-canine-core-vaccine-recommendations-leptospirosis-now-included

Although there is nothing to guarantee 100% protection from Leptospirosis, there are ways for pet owners and breeders to help their dogs remain healthy. The lepto vaccine is now considered a core vaccine that will help to protect dogs from infection. ACVIM recommends the 4-serovar vaccine be used where available. The updated list of core vaccines includes:

1. Canine Distemper Virus (CDV)
2. Canine Adenovirus-2 (CAV-2)
3. Canine Parvovirus (CPV)
4. Rabies Virus
5. Leptospirosis

To further protect our dogs, areas with stagnant water—particularly in places where there may be wildlife that may carry lepto such as raccoons and rodents—should be avoided.

The information contained in this article is not intended to replace the guidance and recommendations of your veterinarian, it is offered to aid in making an informed decision. As with any decision about our dog's health, lepto and vaccination protocols require weighing the risk of an adverse reaction against the risk of the individual dog becoming ill or even dying from the disease or procedure being considered.

LEPTOSPIROSIS

TURNING POTENTIAL PROBLEMS INTO POSITIVE SOLUTIONS

LYME DISEASE

Wherever they live, work or play, the chances of dogs becoming infected with leptospirosis or Lyme disease are growing and the results can be serious.

truCan^{ultra} Lyme truCan^{Lyme} Elanco

Note: Consensus Statements of the American College of Veterinary Internal Medicine (ACVIM) provide the veterinary community with up-to-date information on the pathophysiology, diagnosis, and treatment of clinically important animal diseases. The ACVIM Board of Regents oversees selection of relevant topics, identification of panel members with the expertise to draft the statements, and other aspects of assuring the integrity of the process. The statements are derived from evidence-based medicine whenever possible, and the panel offers interpretive comments when such evidence is inadequate or contradictory.

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Happy Hunting Ground



We are so saddened by the loss of these beautiful and memorable dogs. Our hearts go out to their families and all that loved them. The legacy they leave our breed will never be forgotten. -DM



Mick

GCH Michan's Mick Like A Rolling Stone



Carter

GCH CH Kaleidoscope Claybrook Carter AX OAJ MXP7 MXPG MJP6 MJPS PAX CGC
Owned by Deb Lang

My Beloved Carter

April 26, 2009 - May 22, 2024

*I was just a pup when we first met,
I loved you from the start,
You picked me up and took me home,
and placed me in your heart.*

*Good times we had together,
We shared all life could throw,
But the years passed all too quickly,
My time had come to go.*

*I know how much you miss me,
I know your heart is sore,*

*I see the tears that fall,
When I'm not at the door.*

*You always did your best for me,
Your love was plain to see,
For even though I broke your heart
when you set my spirit free,
Please be brave without me,
One day we'll meet once more,
I'll be waiting at the door.*

Happy Hunting Ground



Cedar

Ragus Mr. OO'Seven

Ragus Mr. OO' Seven always conjures up visions of Sean Connery, martinis, fast cars, and beautiful women. That changed for me in January of 2020, with the arrival of Cedar, an English import from Ragus Kennel by way of Lynn Marshall and Michan Kennel in Northern California. I had only seen pictures of a rather regal dog on green carpet with a large Crufts sign behind him. April pored over his pedigree and asked Lynn if he was available at stud. After much discussion it was decided he would return with April and Amy Clark from Palm Springs and stay here until March to cover a couple of Fishback girls. He arrived the same week Covid did, and his impact on Fishback and Michan Kennels was nearly as noteworthy. He found a home in the country with woods and green grass and he never left.

It's hard to imagine that this unassuming gentle soul was capable of prepotence, but his capacity to transmit certain characteristics and superior influence to his get is undeniable. He was and is behind a majority of successful championship lines in the UK as well as the US. His limited breeding in the US secured top stud ranking two years in a row, and his son replaced him as top stud last year 2024. But his greatest secret was that of a gentleman and his ability for unconditional love. Cedar and I bonded like some corny country hit about a dog and a pickup

truck. He was my shadow, he hated heights, loved salmon skin, watched Law & Order reruns with enthusiasm, he did not quarrel. He was even-tempered with bitches—not shy but not pushy—was pleasant with puppies, bored by toys, and not fond of crates or car rides. I became a better breeder, April and I became his protectors, and he became our grooming room monitor.

He had his last litter in September 2024, a wee bitch that we took to Montgomery with us as a tiny two-week old. When we returned on a Monday, Cedar had skipped two meals and a scan revealed metastatic lymphoma. He died in my arms watching the birds in his garden, and left with a piece of my spirit to keep him company and comfort him.

So many good things can happen if we allow them to. Thank you Lesley Crawley for allowing Cedar to come stateside; I can only imagine how difficult that was. Thank you to Lynn and Howard Marshall; Cedar ushered in a friendship with all things Michan and from that friendship a treasured source of common respect evolved, so valued in this fancy.

Cedar made things all better, he made a difference. He is missed.

Happy Hunting Ground



Freddie

GChG Ch Foxwood Freddie Set Go

Owned and beloved by Will Sparks & Richard Giotta

Freddie (GGCH Foxwood Freddie Set Go), named by my partner Richard Giotta, was a true Gold Champion Norwich Terrier in and out of the show ring. Bred by Kathryn Mines in 2011, we got him at 15 weeks. Unlike our two prior Norwich boys whenever Freddie walked in the neighborhood, he took to picking up small sticks, whereupon he would trot like a quarter horse. This trait delighted neighbors, from passing drivers we did not know to the little ones who invariably loved pint-sized Freddie. The habit persisted a lifetime until his old age and made him happy.

Hugo (CH Paradym Victor Hugo Get It), also named by Richard, our second Norwich Terrier who is now 14, sort of “chose” Freddie among his litter at Kathy’s three-acre Delaware Gap spread. As with all Norwich, Freddie was decidedly idiosyncratic and showed the distinct sides of his unique personality at his choosing. His lifetime groomer and handler

Roslyn Mintz-Fosco (Roz) has often described him as “Mr. Grumpy” yet will also describe the times on show trips where, to Montgomery or elsewhere, Freddie was the only dog not disruptive, not barking, and was generally well-behaved at show sites and the like. This was not so at home, where Freddie displayed his strong likes and dislikes for certain breeds as well as his intense dislike for UPS trucks and school buses.

As an owner I had to learn the truism that dogs compartmentalize—Freddie was a totally different dog at show sites and would not confront, bark at, or react to a German Shephard or any other breed he’d confront at home. Roz handled Freddie so well that he achieved his 400 points to Gold Champion; appeared several times at the Westminster Kennel Club breed competition; plus a real achievement, his 2015 Award of Merit at the Hatboro Dog Show during the Montgomery weekend.

I particularly enjoyed his moving from BOB into the Group level at shows; I marveled how Freddie, who we did not nationally campaign, was not intimidated by dogs with far more experience at that level. He was unshaken in his competitive drive and we have the ribbons to prove it.

All his long life Freddie taught me lessons and brought us laughter. As a puppy, he took each and every day for what it was. As the ultimate

troublemaker, I learned to never assume much of anything with Freddie. I am to this day not sure if he added or subtracted days, months, or years to my time on earth, but it is of no matter.

Freddie’s lifetime veterinarian, a show vet knowledgeable about our breed here on Long Island, tells me that Freddie was a “one in a million dog” in that he was able to clean his teeth without anesthesia or sedation—Freddie allowed the work as they had “an understanding.” After he diagnosed Freddie’s cancer following his 13th birthday, he gave Freddie a renewed lease on life. Every 2nd day Freddie was given painless infusions of electrolytes to keep him totally hydrated plus a daily pill to keep his blood clotted. For me this was a medical miracle, and Freddie was his normal canine self for months after his diagnosis. Only on his last half-day was he not so. In consultation with our vet, my partner sat vigil near ten hours with Freddie in his little dog bed at our home as he passed peacefully. On the occasion of his 13th birthday, I texted Kathy Mines and “complained what a troublemaker” little Freddie had been to me for his entire life since puppyhood. Her response: “Will, he walked into your life and took over.”

I think and hope Mr. Freddie had a good life. He was a wonderful dog!

Will Sparks & Richard Giotta

Kennel Report



KEVALA
NORWICH

KEVALA NORWICH

I'm thrilled to introduce you to Kevala Norwich!

I've had a strong passion for purebred dogs since childhood, and my journey officially began when I established Kevala Norwich in 2022. The name has a special meaning for me, combining the initials of my first name (K), my middle name (L), and my foundation bitch, Vesper (V)—a blend of creativity and a bit of googling! I'm focused on training versatile dogs that can excel in various venues, such as conformation, agility, rat sports, and obedience.

My foundation bitch, Vesper, is a Grand Champion, just a few points shy of her Bronze title, and she's been racking up accomplishments while also training for agility and rally obedience. Earlier this year, she completed her BCAT title and Novice Urban Locating title.

My first bred-by pup, Sayre, finished her Championship at Woofstock this year and is now gearing up for agility and working towards her Fast Cat and Urban Locating titles.

I'm also super excited to share that I just had my second litter in the summer of 2024—everyone has found their new homes, and two puppies will be hitting the show ring this winter! As a new breeder diving into the world of preservation breeding, I'm eager to continue this adventure and can't wait to share more about our journey and accomplishments.

Kelly Davis



GCH CH Verdant's Half A Measure of Kina Lillet BCAT CGCA CGCU TKN VHMA

Vesper earned her BCAT this year and is a few points shy of her Bronze GCH



Litter born August 2024

All puppies are off to their new homes and two will be starting their show careers this winter

CH Verdant's Tremendous Honor × GCH CH Verdant's Half A Measure of Kina Lillet BCAT CGCA CGCU TKN VHMA



CH Kevala's After All This Time

Sayre earned her championship at 11 months old at Woofstock, my first bred-by



KALEIDOSCOPE

Origins

Though I've been involved in dog sports from circa 1980, starting with American Cocker Spaniels, my interest expanded from obedience to conformation and sporting dog field work. My mentor, the influential Ruth Tabaka of Seattle, WA shaped much of the philosophy I still hold today; that great dogs are titled at both ends of their name, including the health and soundness needed to carry that out. For me, I feel demonstrating that ability is crucial. It isn't enough to hold it just as a slogan.

Ruth loved a pretty dog but she also believed it needed to prove it had brains to go along with its looks. Her lovely black girl, the grandmother of my dogs, Tabaka's Tidbit O' Wynden was Sporting group 2 at the Garden in 1978. She earned her CDX after retiring from conformation.



In the late 90s, with a young child to look after, Cocker coat upkeep became overwhelming. I then decided to switch gears a little. In 2000, that switch came in the form

of my first Norwich, Norma. As a newbie to the breed, I didn't know much about Norwich and breed information was sparse. Coming from a sporting breed, it was simply a given that everyone did health checks on their breeding stock. That was the norm I'd come to expect.

Norma's breeder did not do health checks. Her hips were severely dysplastic, suffering a lifetime of pain and disability. Norma was spayed and never bred. From that time forward, I made a promise to my dogs they would never be asked to be part of my breeding program without knowing they were healthy and would, to the best of my ability, produce only health puppies. It's not enough to just test all of them. It requires the courage to remove individuals who have problems and those with a high probability of producing problems.

The Now

Pulling these ideas and learned lessons forward, none of my dogs are bred without a CHIC in addition to other breed-crucial screens, especially NTUAS. Scores above single digits are removed. With careful scrutiny and picky choices of sires, I'm proud to have multiple dogs in my line with throat scores of "zero"

Almost all Kaleidoscope dogs hold both conformation and performance titles. Their CH titles came nearly exclusively from the BBE class, to date, around 60%.

Learning to trim Norwich coats took quite a while given the necessity of being self-taught. Mentors for terrier stripping are few and far between. Also, doing one's own trimming is really the only practical choice when competing in BBE classes. Show coats need daily work for proper rolling.

Over time, tending to them has taken on a bit of a Zen quality. Listening to a podcast or a bit of music in my grooming room sets the tone, then, away we go! I'm currently maintaining about 10 Norwich (only dogs I bred and co-own) as a gratuity to my co-owners. It also gives me another chance to stay connected with my babies and their owners. As I mentioned earlier, terrier stripping isn't in the repertoire of most commercial grooming shops.

My dogs are my friends who are not rehomed as they age or their breeding days complete. They are cared for and loved here throughout their entire lives.

Having recently lost my first serious Norwich and heart-dog, Carter, the Renaissance Man, at 15+ years old, his absence leaves a hole in our household. To my great frustration, Carter needed just a few speed points to finish his PACH. Like so many others, his career was interrupted by two years of COVID. Afterwards, age took that goal out of reach.

Kaleidoscope's current focus is on the next generation of grandkids.

Kennel Report

I'm especially smitten with Clarke. He has it all; perfect temperament, stellar health profile (zero throat), multiple group and specialty AOM placements. His focus has now shifted from conformation to performance; agility, rally, nosework but he'll tackle anything we ask. Such a fun guy.

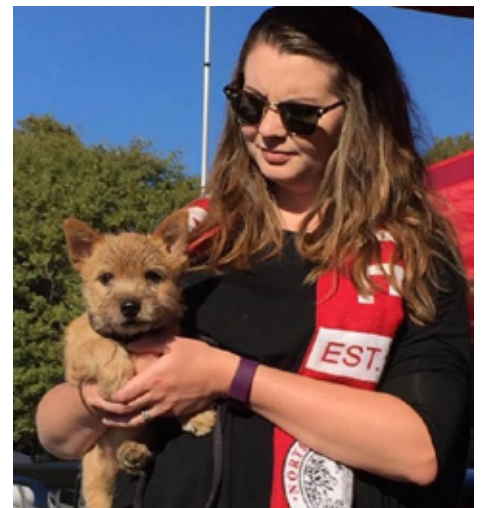


Kaleidoscope dogs are currently titled in a wide range of performance disciplines; agility, Rally, Obedience, advanced scent work, lure coursing barn hunt and companion work, examples, TKN and CGC. Already, three have earned NCTA versatility honors with two more needing a single point.



Norwich people are the lucky ones. These little dogs enrich our lives in ways, big and small. I can't imagine life without them.

Deb Lang



TERRAPIN

Remember the expression "Global *Warming*"? Well, I barely do! But if you were to ask me if I remember the expression "Winter *Warning*"? Now, that I will recall most vividly.

Meggie sent me this snapshot of herself desperately trying to keep warm—I assume all of you are doing the same??

Missy Wood





DIGNPOP

I have been training dogs for competition in sporting events since I was a teenager. I got involved in conformation shows much later, when I got Norwich terriers in my thirties, and now these two worlds grab my passion and define me equally. Recently, while putting away another new AKC title certificate - in a folder holding certificates for my Dignpop terriers - I decided to count them. I have accumulated 59 AKC titles since 2001. I missed the moment when my dogs and I earned our fiftieth.

I have an ongoing personal goal to have all my homebred dogs that live

with me earn the NTCA Versatility Norwich title. The title requires the dog to compete in at least three separate disciplines and to earn higher level titles that allow for accumulation of the required points. Teaching a champion a few tricks is not sufficient. The VN title signifies a substantial commitment to the dog and the dog's aptitude and stamina. As with any worthy goal, it is always years in the making – hundreds of hours of training, countless shows. But oh the joy when you get there!

Magda Chiarella

These are my precious teammates currently living with me that make my dreams come true:

Lollipop - Dignpop Starburst
(puppy in training)



VN Ruby - Dignpop Ruby Starlight
RM RAE NAP OJP NFP CGCA TKI VN
(conformation, Rally, agility, tricks)



Peplum - CH Dignpop Bumblebee
Gravity RN (working on VN –
conformation, training in agility
and Rally)

VN (2025) Pocket - CH Dignpop Pocket
Universe MXP MJP TKN (qualified
for VN to be awarded in 2025 –
conformation, agility, tricks)



Tank - GCH CH Dignpop Big Dipper
RE TKI (recently qualified for VN –
conformation, Rally, tricks)



VN Teddy - GCH CH Dignpop Red Ted RA SWN SCA CGCA TKI VN
(conformation, Rally, scent work and tricks)

Performance

AGILITY



Carmen

On November 9th, Carmen earned MACH4. Both runs were those that agility handlers chase. Everything fell perfectly into place; I was where I needed to be, Carmen read my handling perfectly, and we stayed in solid connection throughout. What a rush!

As these milestones occur, they always give me pause for reflection. When I picked up Carmen from her breeders, never in my wildest dreams could I have imagined the journey she would take me on. She has brought us to all the big rings: AKC Agility Nationals, the AKC Agility Invitational, and Westminster Agility. I cannot wait to see what the future holds for us! But the adventure goes far beyond trials and national events. Carmen has challenged me. She has pushed me to explore new concepts in dog training and driven me to improve my handling skills.

This has taught me a thing or two about myself—something I certainly didn't anticipate.

Our journey together did not begin as some might expect. During puppy school, a very reputable trainer told me, "You're in for it. This one is going to be tough." I can't count how many times someone said, "Well, she is a terrier." I (maybe we?) refused to accept those limiting beliefs and pushed forward. These sentiments echoed in my head as we closed in on QQ number 80. They were no longer doubts but ceilings I am proud to have broken!

Carmen is the dog of a lifetime. She has an incredible work ethic and loves to train. She carries her unmistakable joie de vivre with her in everything she does. Carmen keeps me constantly entertained and brings a smile to my face at every turn. She is a champion snuggler. She has never met a

stranger, human or canine, and loves kids. My life is richer for having her.

Carmen was bred by Nancy Nosiglia, Mark Gustavson and Yvonne Vertlieb. Thank you Nancy, Mark and Yvonne—I am forever in your debt.



FIT DOG

Rascal Earns Fit Dog Gold!

Kilyka's Lucky Day CD BN RI OA NAJ MXP MJP
NF OFP CGC TKN FITG

My friend Mara was talking about how much fun she and her Leonberger Emi were having working on Fit Dog Titles. Fit Dog? What's that? It's a noncompetitive sport in which you get to pick your activities, create your own schedule (within the Fit Dog Rules) and earn points and then titles. The idea is to improve and maintain your dog's health and fitness and yours too. Okay, Mara, you convinced me to try it!

One of the activities is earning AKC Agility Titles. My Rascal already had several of those so I used them for some of the required points.

Other activities include running, swimming and parkour. The one that appealed to me was walking because Rascal and I could walk just about anywhere, anytime. I committed to a certain number of minutes every day for what turned out to be six months.

We walked in heat, cold, rain and wind and also on plenty of calm, sunny days. We walked on sand, dirt and pavement. We loved being outside and enjoying nature. The rare days we missed were made up for on other days of the week



and we almost always far exceeded the weekly minimum requirements in the Fit Dog Rules. The bond between Rascal and me became stronger which helped in other sports.

This turned into Fit Dog Bronze, then Silver and finally the top prize, Gold. I'm told that Rascal is the first Norwich Terrier to earn it. Another record for a three legged dog! Working toward that title also solidified our lifelong commitment to walking every day.

There are activities for everyone in this program. I hope you try it and enjoy it as much as we did.

Lark Shlimbaum

FAST CAT



Trea

GCHB CH Kaleidoscope Many
Happy Returns OAP BCAT

Performance

FETCH

FETCH – AKC’s Latest Addition to the Family Dog Program

AKC expanded its Family Dog Program by including the FETCH as another way for humans to have fun with their dogs

What dog doesn’t like to chase and play fetch? It’s probably one of the first games we play with puppies to help them know us as the person who gives them treats. AKC now has created a game that promotes physical exercise, mental exercise, and time to bond with your dog.

Yes, it’s designed for all breeds, even our little terriers can participate in this pass-fail noncompetitive test. Of course, at the higher

levels some training is involved. There are four levels of titles (Novice, Intermediate, Advanced, and Retriever) which assess the ability of the dog to retrieve. A dog must pass each test level twice in order to be able to apply for a title.

The summary chart of skills required at each level can be found on the following page. More information and the complete rules can be found at akc.org/fetch

There are at least two Norwich who have achieved titles, but there may be others! If you have earned a title, please send in a brag to *The News*.

Joan Krantz



Congratulations to at least two Norwich for putting on your Retriever Paws to achieve new FETCH titles!

Novice

Bette

CH Breakaway’s All Bettes Are Off CD BN RN AX AXJ
MFB FCAT TKI FTN

Owned by Rainee Johnson

Advanced

Phoebe

CH Kilyka’s Witch Upon A Star UD RM NA NAJ CGC FTA
Owned by Betty McDonnell

Here is what Phoebe’s owner Betty had to say:

“You can see that this ball is really too large to carry comfortably in a small Norwich mouth, but I needed a visible white fetch ball. This AKC game was really designed for retrievers, but my little dog was the only one to qualify twice to earn a title on the day.”

AKC FetchTest Summary Chart

	NOVICE	INTERMEDIATE	ADVANCED	RETRIEVER
FORMAT OF TEST	IN-PERSON			
WHO MAY TEST?	CGC EVALUATOR OR TRAINED AKC JUDGES			
DISTANCE	30 FEET	50 FEET	70 FEET	80 FEET
NUMBER OF RETRIEVES	3 SINGLE RETRIEVES (1 TO CENTER, 1 TO LEFT, 1 TO RIGHT)	3 SINGLE RETRIEVES (1 TO CENTER, 1 TO LEFT, 1 TO RIGHT, 4 TH TO LEFT OR RIGHT - HANDLER'S CHOICE)	2 SINGLE RETRIEVES (1 TO CENTER, 1 TO LEFT OR RIGHT) 2 DOUBLES ALL BEHIND BLINDS	2 DOUBLES 2 TRIPLES ALL BEHIND BLINDS
NUMBER OF OBSTACLES	4	8	3 BLINDS	
NATURE OF OBSTACLES	MAY BE BOXES, FOR NOVICE, ITEMS FOUND IN YARD (EX. LAWN CHAIR)	MAY BE BOXES, FOR INTERMEDIATE, ITEMS FOUND IN YARD (EX. LAWN CHAIR)	3 BLINDS AT LEAST 24 INCHES TALL. NO TALLER THAN 30 INCHES	
THROWER/HELPER TO DROP BUMPERS	DOG OWNER OR HELPER IF NEEDED		EVENT HELPER DROPS BUMPERS BEHIND BLINDS	
REFUSALS ON SEND	2 RESTARTS		1 RESTART	
THE SEND	BALL MUST LAND BEFORE SEND. MAY HOLD COLLAR	BALL MUST LAND BEFORE SEND. MAY HOLD COLLAR WITH ONE FINGER	BUMPER MUST LAND, NO COLLAR HOLDING	
RETURN TO HANDLER	MUST COME WITHIN 3 FEET (2 STEPS) OF HANDLER, MAY GIVE OR DROP	MUST COME WITHIN 2 FEET (1 STEP) OF HANDLER, MAY GIVE OR DROP	HANDLER MUST BE ABLE TO TAKE FROM DOG, OR DOG DELIVERS TO HAND	
RETRIEVING OBJECTS	TENNIS BALL OR EQUIVALENT, BUMPER, HANDLER'S CHOICE TOY	TENNIS BALL OR EQUIVALENT, BUMPER, TOY	BUMPER, MAY USE TENNIS BALL OR EQUIVALENT	
NUMBER OF TIMES TO PASS	2			
TITLE LETTERS	FTN	FTI	FTA	FTR

akc.org/fetch

Performance

PERFORMANCE AT PALMYRA, PA

The perennial start to our Norwich Terrier National Week, September 30, 2024 - October 4, 2024

Halloween and Transitions

For many years since the outdoor days of Kimberton, circa 2013, the Norwich agility faithful have made the trek to the fall Norwich Performance Week. It has served as a tradition to mark another milestone in our collective dog sport careers—a small reassurance that no matter what chaos swirled in the world around us, this little piece of our world was still there and the same as it ever was. But to myself and others, this year somehow felt different. A move from what was to what will be. Many of the familiar faces, both canine and human, had moved on with new ones taking their places. As a keepsake for everyone's attendance, each received a commemorative treat bag with the specially designed 15th Anniversary logo.

For one of those new faces, it involved travel all the way from Texas. You can read her remarkable story on the following page.





A First-Time Palmyra Participant's Account: Mechelle Kwader & Logan

Having not shown more than a weekend, I was careful not to overload Logan with more than he could comfortably handle. Thus, two days of agility, then a day of obedience and rally followed by a final day of agility seemed reasonable. To our huge surprise, our first attempt in the rally ring was a gem—Logan nailed it, though his handler's stress caused some sign interpretation errors. No matter, Logan qualified anyway! Next up, novice obedience, where Logan turned in a remarkable performance! Obedience is scored in numbers 200 and below. Each competitor enters the ring with a score of 200 and can have deductions taken for major or minor mistakes. That Logan left the ring with a score of 196.5 was truly remarkable, even without considering the additional factors of a new competitor in a new discipline after long-distance travel.

However, another surprise was yet to come as the judge asked me to stay close during the awards—clearly there was more. Prior to our arrival in Palmyra, Logan had been participating in agility since December 2023 but Palmyra was his debut for Rally and Obedience.

Icing on the Cake: HIGH IN TRIAL for obedience! A rare honor, and of course Logan showed off his new ribbon in style by holding it in his mouth.

The afternoon presented another Rally and Obedience trial where Logan had a perfect score in Rally—his handler didn't hold him back this time; however, sometimes two dogs have the same perfect numerical score. In that case, the fastest course completion time serves as the tiebreaker. The long-legged Airedale had the fastest time and Logan was awarded second place. For our subsequent second attempt in the Novice B obedience ring Logan took another first place. I was overwhelmed at Logan's stellar performances that day. In addition, he had some nice runs in agility including several qualifying scores. His first time running premier standard and qualifying but Obedience stole the show for us at Montgomery. Since we are from Texas this was a very long trip and an even sweeter trip home. Montgomery will be in our memory forever. On Monday of the following week the AKC notified us that Logan was #6 Owner Handler Norwich and was thereby invited to the 2024 Invitationals in Florida. Pinch me—did all this just happen?!

Logan is formally, "CH Itsy Bitsy Thistledown I'm Still a Guy"

Performance

Performance Milestones & Achievements

AGILITY			GEAR BAG AWARD
PREMIER STANDARD	EMILLE CAMILLERI	CARMEN	✓
PREMIER STANDARD PREFERRED	LYNN STONESIFER	POLLY	✓
EXCELLENT STANDARD	-	-	-
EXCELLENT STANDARD PREFERRED	NIKKI BROWN	GRETA	✓
OPEN STANDARD	-	-	-
MASTER STANDARD	CINDY WAGNER	FINLEY	✓
NOVICE STANDARD	DEB LANG	CLARKE	✓
NOVICE STANDARD PREFERRED	KAREN DWYER	SPANKY	✓

Total Participants: 19

RALLY			GEAR BAG AWARD
NOVICE	MECHELLE KWADER	LOGAN	✓
EXCELLENT & ADVANCED HIGH COMBO	BETTY MCDONNELL	PHOEBE	✓

Total Participants: 3

OBEDIENCE			GEAR BAG AWARD
EXCELLENT	-	-	-
NOVICE	MECHELLE KWADER	LOGAN	✓

Total Participants: 5

FASTCAT			GEAR BAG AWARD
HIGH COMBINED	J MCBRIDE	PIPER	✓

Total Participants: 3

BRAGS & HIGH-FIVES			BRAGS
GCH DIGNPOP BIG DIPPER RN TKN	MAGDA CHIARELLA	TANK	RALLY Q'S TO FINISH RN RALLY ADVANCED Q
CH DIGNPOP POCKET UNIVERSE MXP MJP NFP TKN	MAGDA CHIARELLA	POCKET	QQ X2 AGILITY
GCHB CH KALEIDOSCOPE FREESTYLE RE ACT1ACT1J TKN	DEB LANG	CLARKE	1 ST PLACES 2 & QQ AGILITY
CH KALEIDOSCOPE CURLING NAJ BCAT TKN	DEB LANG	VEEP	COMPLETED NAJ TITLE





The End!