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Coldstream Joli Coeur (Gibson)



Ann Riley and Gibson came away with a pre-novice title and Canin Bon Voisin in Terrebonne, QC in September. Ann says this was their first dog show in Canada. Congratulations to both of you!

President's Message

Hi Folks,

Hope you had a wonderful 2016. And as the year starts to draw to a close, planning for next year's events begin. Plans for the 2017 National Specialty are underway, and particulars will follow in the New Year, however it is never too early to start on coat work.

With the latest issue of CKC's Kennel Bench earlier this week, it is great to see an increase in litters from 2015 at 34 to 45 in 2016, and an increase in dogs. Hopefully this will translate into an increase in entries in the various dog sports, to further promote our wonderful breed.

As always, Thank You to all the volunteers of the club whom work on organization, to the shows & Trials, and great public education booth at the International Center event, and our newsletter editor who enables us to share our wonderful world of Airedales.

Wishing You & Your Dales a Merry Christmas / Happy Holidays and all the Best in the New Year.

Cheers ,

Dawn

Queries from the ATCC Website

Thanks to Dawn for the following:

Query received thru website on owning an Airedale

Response

Thank you for your reply. I'm delighted to get your feedback. I really do love the Airedale breed - and I know that when Henri stayed with me he was always a most welcome guest. Henri was sociable and always keen and enthusiastic to go for a run, hike or have fun in the snow. I think the Rockies were his favourite place on earth - he even summited some non-rope, non-scrambling peaks with me. In the evening he enjoyed chilling and hanging out - it's hard to say who wore who out first during the day. And he was always a "polite" dog if that makes sense. Each day brought laughter from something he'd do as well as a fascination with his never ending curiosity and intelligence. He'd fall asleep to the tunes of Vivaldi, Beethoven, Eric Clapton and Cher!

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Airedale Queries from the Website, cont'd

Reply

Thank you for contacting the Airedale Club of Canada.

From your descriptions, sounds like an Airedale would be the perfect fit for you, and you have had experience of living with one, when dog sitting. They are gregarious, active and have a sense of humour, and from your comments of plays & ballets, sounds like you do to. Though could be entertaining to include him/her at those events.

While may be biased, it is often noted if you love an Airedale (or prefer any other terrier), with their independent spirit and sense of self, then very few other breeds would suit.

Attached is link to the breeders page on our website, you will need to scroll down for contact info.

<http://www.airedaleterrier.ca/learn-more/breeder-referrals.html>

Initial query:

I am an RN who is planning to retire to Victoria in a few years (I currently live in Calgary). I have never owned a dog as an adult as I felt 12 hour shifts would be unfair to the dog. I grew up with Border Collies and an Irish Setter. I've always thought I would like an Airedale Terrier. A friend had one for 13 years and he was the most lovely animal and he frequently stayed with me when my friend had to go out of town.

I am athletic and fit and enjoy running, hiking, cycling, swimming, kayaking (and winter sports). I've recently spoken with a vet who felt I would be well suited to this breed of dog given that I am active. I want a pet who can participate in the activities I enjoy - and have fun. Do you think that at age 60 it would be unfair to take on such a dog? It had been suggested that I look for a small poodle (that would never cut it given my lifestyle - I grew up in the Kootenays in the mountains of British Columbia) as I will be getting older. I don't think a small poodle (as cute as they are) could keep up to me. It would spend a lot of time on its' own.

The dog would be well loved and included in almost everything I do (except perhaps plays, ballet, symphony) Just thought I'd ask you as well. I believe that a dog brings such joy in the lives of both owner and pet. I still remember the dogs we had when I was growing up and they were included in all of our family activities. I can't imagine a childhood without a dog.

Thank you for your input.

Heather Faulkner, Saskatchewan

"after a very busy summer of traveling, competing in agility and rally, we are moving indoors and working on utility."

We have the Santa Claus parade on Nov 20 and then a Rally obedience trial first weekend in December. That will close out our year. See the Santa Claus parade picture later in this issue!



**True
and
Utility**

**True and his
friend TJ**



Can Ch Indus Gibson's Finest

Sire :Ch Indus I Wish I Had A Bentley

Dam : Ch Once Uppon A Time At Happytails (RO)





Foxheart Westchester Supergirl going winners Bitch at Day 1 of Hatboro for a 5 Point Major. Kyra is sired by Am Ch Longvue Penaire Jack or Better and Dam is Ch. Westchester Trouble at Foxheart. She is owned and bred by Jan Arsenault and Bill Ashburn

Winnipeg Pet Expo Oct 15 & 16

This was an opportunity for CKC breeders to display their various breeds to the public. It had a huge turnout and lots of questions were answered by the various breeders. Our CKC director, Larry Kereluke attended with a booth and each day he introduced the various breeds and their history in a large ring. The adults and children attending seemed to really enjoy learning about the various breeds. A Halloween dress up event displaying these same dogs in costume was amusing for all. Many vendors and rescue groups were also in attendance.



Is the Public Perception of Purebred Dogs a Negative One?

An article in *Dogs in Review* can be read in its entirety here

<http://www.dogchannel.com/dogsinreview/the-purebred-public-perception-problem.aspx>

Do you often see positive articles in the press featuring purebred dogs? Do news features and TV specials feature the purebred breeder in a positive light, or are breeders often presented in a negative way?

The above article gives examples such as "*Pedigreed Dogs Exposed*" and an *HBO segment* Tuesday, April 22, 2014, "*Real Sports with Bryant Gumbel* called "Unnatural Selection." This segment was an "examination of the world of competitive [dog shows](#) and the sport's repercussions on dog health, in and outside the show ring."

Breeders are often portrayed as the "problem" because they "flood the market" with unhealthy purebreds when there are many shelter dogs that need adopting. These shelter dogs are portrayed as somehow healthier than purebred dogs.

The article goes on to say that there is no evidence to support that shelter dogs or mixed breeds are healthier but this seems to be the prevailing view out there.

The article acknowledges that breeders may not have access to public TV but that we can still tell our story one person at a time. We can educate the public to the advantages of owning a purebred. "Purebreds have predictable personalities and come in predictable packages — there are no guessing games as to what size or coat or abilities they might have, and they have known parentage with known health histories."

A Second Look at Breeding

By Corally Burmaster

From ATCA Newsletter

Editors note: In this article, Corally Burmaster responds to people who have criticized ATCA breeders for producing too many puppies or producing puppies when there are unwanted dogs in shelters. Corally suggests that ATCA breeders should not bow to those who disapprove of breeders who sell healthy, well-bred puppies to the public to be raised as companion dogs and a valued member of a family.

Various animal right's groups have been engaged in trying to intimidate breeders into feeling guilty about breeding dogs. Good breeders are hesitant to have more than one litter every year or so for fear of being called a puppy mill. Comments such as "that breeder always has puppies available" or "that the breeder doesn't maintain his dogs the way they ought to" or "that breeder has too many dogs" tend to shape the way today's breeders carry on their breeding programs. The general consensus seems to be that unless a breeder is intent upon breeding "the next great one," he shouldn't be breeding at all, that breeding for the show ring is not just the loftiest, but the ONLY reason to breed.

I disagree. In many areas of the country, we have far more buyers for puppies than there are puppies available in our breed. I'm not talking about simple inquiries. I'm talking about qualified buyers, screened to the nth degree and found deserving of an Airedale puppy. Where are these people to go? To pet stores who are supplied by puppy mills, or to newspapers where back yard breeders advertise their wares? We all know that these are simply not good alternatives, and that both those sources provide the rescue groups with the work they do.

Reputable breeders do NOT contribute to the list of unwanted dogs; we have to stop buying into that concept. It is the puppy mills, the breeders who care ONLY about profit who contribute to that population. The people who tell me not to breed because I am contributing to the cast off, unwanted rescue dogs are way off base. Responsible breeders are not the cause of unwanted dogs. Period.

I think it is high time good breeders take the responsibility of filling the void that puppy mills are now filling. We need to stop feeling guilty if we breed a litter that we clearly recognize will not produce a Best in Show dog, but will, in fact, produce well bred, well socialized puppies who will become high-quality companion dogs in loving families.

Most of you know my credentials. I have had Airedales for 45 years, and my breeding program has produced many winners, including a National Specialty winner. I have been an officer of the ATCA for many years, developed the original Breeder Guidelines of Responsibility and served on the committee that wrote the Code of Ethics.

You know that my specialty is the development of puppies throughout their critical periods and that I've developed a "headstart" program and produced a Puppy Kindergarten video that focuses on that important learning period. You've also read my articles on my headstart program and on screening puppy buyers.

I'm a responsible breeder whose joy doesn't happen to be in the show ring. It is bringing the best out in each puppy and putting each puppy in a home where it will flourish and bring joy to his family. I show my dogs to be certain that I maintain type, but I'd rather take a beating than get up a 4 am and schlep to a show site as those who have traveled with me can attest. Bottom line: I will be breeding more litters with the idea of producing companion dogs for those people who know what a good dog is and want to purchase one.

Yes, the way I do things is based on my location and the demand for puppies I find in the Washington, DC area. Breeders in other areas of the country will not have the same demand. If that is the case, they either shouldn't be breeding companion litters or they should connect with other breeders in the country who have more demand than supply. There are many creative ways that good breeders can band together to defeat the puppy mills and back yard breeders. It requires a whole new way of thinking. We all do referrals among ourselves but that is only the start of ways we can work together to insure that only the best representatives of our breed find their way into homes.

I think it is time for good breeders to come out of the closet and begin to discuss this idea openly and frankly. Instead of adopting a righteous attitude about not breeding "pet" dogs and then lambasting puppy mill and back yard breeders for filling a very real need, perhaps we need to consider giving the buying public a viable choice. So I will continue providing super puppies to the public. And each puppy that good breeders put out into the world is a walking, tail wagging advertisement for buying from a reputable breeder!

The Human Kids loved the Dogs at the Show and the Dogs loved the attention. It was a great venue to speak about the benefits of a purebred dog and we had a lot of opportunity to do this. Lots of good questions answered.



Come out to Wpg Pet Show tomorrow!

Can Ch Cast Iron Game of Thrones at Shawndee (Otto) getting his first U.S. major at 15 mos. Shown by Doug Carlson. Since then he gained more points and a Gp 3 at the first Terrier Specialty in Lincoln Nebraska shown by his co-owner, Carol R.



Carol and Otto winning a Gp 1 in Brandon, MB. The weekend ended with a ribbon of each colour.



**Airedale Alley in
Brandon. Two new
Airedale owners &
A Russell Terrier owner
Were learning how to
Groom and show their
Own dog.**



**Richard Didura has
Mastered Dog
Showing and Grooming
101 as he finished
Melody at this show.
Now on to learning
The finer features!!**

WEE BITTY

It has been a busy month at Shawndee. Nine baby Airedales counting Wee Bitty who is about 1/3 the size of her sisters. Three boys and six girls and wouldn't you know it....I like one of the boys best and I already have a boy from Scarlett's last litter. What is it with me, and boy Airedales??



Below is Wee Bitty with my grand daughter, Veronica. Wee Bitty is just a might spoiled. I will be having her thoroughly checked out at 8 weeks to see what has determined her size! I have never had a puppy like this before. Maybe a new breed.....Miniature Airedale! Wouldn't this get the designer dog people excited?

I have thoroughly enjoyed seeing a couple of new people get involved with Airedales, the grooming and showing!. Richard and Melody's picture are in this issue and below is something Richard's wife, Elaine wrote in a card and gift they gave me for mentoring them. Their perspective on entering the world of dog shows!!

To Carol:

From Bingley, such a cherished pet, to Breaker, watching you and her in shows, an activity new to us.....

And Breaker's puppies we parented, so exciting, magical, and exhausting;

To Melody, we began to learn how to groom, feeling so unskilled and lost at times, grooming, grooming, grooming, learning about showing and handling, more grooming.....

Then entering shows, travelling, crates and tools, water, food, bait, and grooming, and points!

And more grooming!

With your guidance, Carol, we've actually taken a few steps into the world of dog shows!

With awe and appreciation,

Thank You!

Elaine and Richard

Hollytroy`s news

It`s been a busy fall season filled with success, hope, and sadness.

One of our successes is due to new Airedale owner Dawne Walker`s never give up spirit when her (Chan)Tilly (Ch Hollytroy`s What A Pretty Face) achieved her championship at the Cobiquid Kennel Club shows in October with Dawne`s daughter, Lindsay on the end of the lead, Tilly`s sire, Ch Regalridge Renaissance Man, dam, Ch RZenith`s Hollytroy Dragonfly.

Lots of shouting from the roof top when Lyric (Ch On Ariel`s Wings At Hollytroy SD-A) added yet another title to her name, that of "Sporting Detection Dog - Advance", first Airedale to receive this title. Special thanks to Lyric`s owner Susan Lucas who has as much resolve as her little charge. Read Susan`s explanation on how this title is gained.

Fingers crossed in hope that a 15 year long awaited breeding between Lyric and one of my foundation boys, Maverick (Am Can Ch Huntwood Mavrick N` Hollytroy) is successful. Maverick is a Gator grandson.

It is with profound sadness that I tell you on November 21, 2016 after a brief illness we lost our Samson (Am Can CFC Ch Scoshire Aires Samuel Steel), he was twelve years old. Sire, Jacob (Am Can Ch On Eagle`s Wings At Hollytroy) Dam, Scully (Am Ch Scoshire`s Singular Sensation). Thankfully, I have his two half sister, Dina and Glory who at eleven years are still full of it.

Wishing you all the best for a happy healthy holiday season.

Carole, Hollytroy Reg`d

Samson (Am Can CFC Ch Scoshire Aires Samuel Steel)

October 12, 2004 - October 21, 2016

Am Can Ch On Eagle`s Wings At Hollytroy x
Am Ch Scoshire Singular Sensation



Ch On Ariel's Wings At Hollytrov SD-A



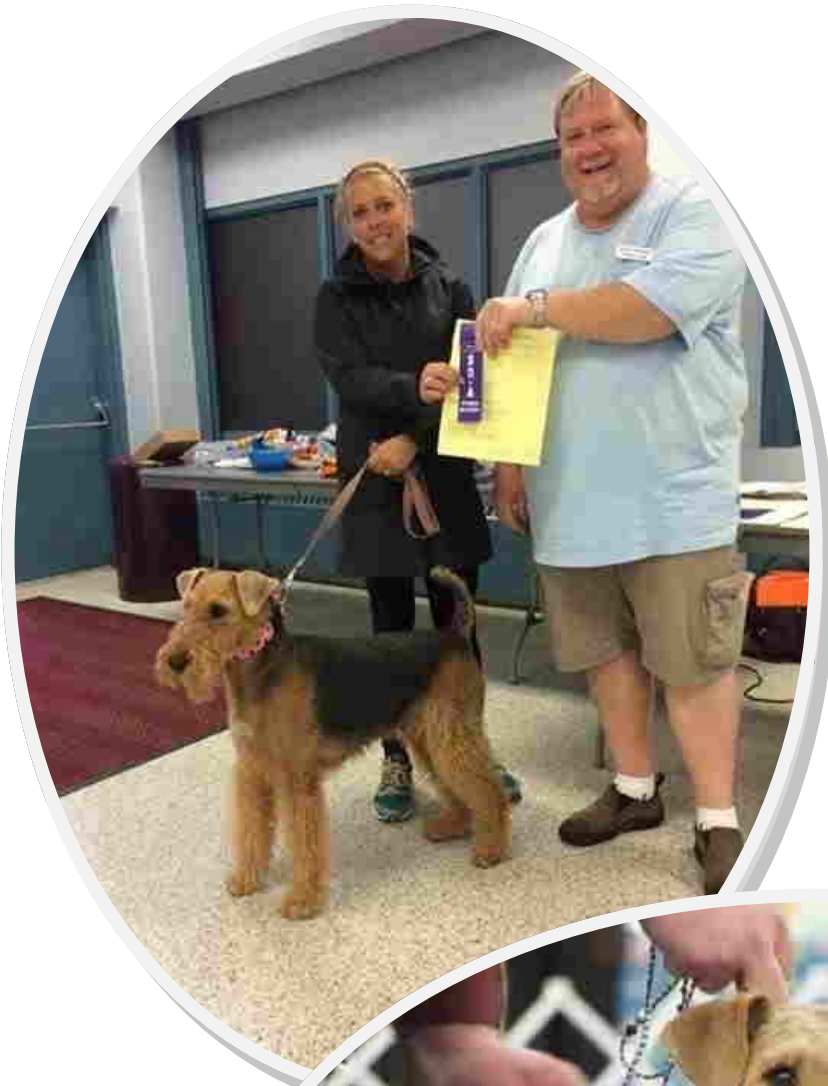
The trial was Sept 10, 2016 and Lyric and I have been training in the sport of scent detection since she was 6 months old, we took a break while Lyric reared her first litter of nine last spring. We started training when she came back home, and she achieved her "Sporting Detection Dog - Advance" (SD-A) title, first Airedale to receive this title. Lyric already had her Sporting Detection Dog - Started, special (second Airedale to receive this title), I believe this was written up in an earlier news letter. Lyric was bred November 5, 2016, once she is finished rearing her second litter, we hope to continue to train/compete and receive our Sporting Detection Dog - Excellent title.

This is such a fun sport, it builds a great bond between dog and handler, when we compete it is usually in a room with just the judge and possibly two or three other people, basically because the other people competing are not allowed see where the scent is hidden, thus, any dog who may have issues, ie dog aggression or nervousness can compete in this sport without a lot of distraction around them.

Lyric has a great working drive and does well with training, (I need to work on my handling skills). Training in scent work is wonderful for mental challenge and makes Lyric so tired after we have worked/trained, once home she is out like a light for the rest of the night. I used to train her 10-15 minutes on bad weather days, and not need to take her for a walk. Its great fun.

Lyric has been written up on in the Sporting Detection Dogs Association magazine.

Susan Lucas



Top:

Lyric (Ch On Ariel`s Wings At Hollytrov SD-A)

Bottom:

**New Champion, Tilly (Ch Hollytrov`s What A Pretty Face)
Ch Regalridge Renaissance Man x Ch RZenith`s Hollytrov Dragonfly.**



Sad, but beautiful.

On Remembrance Day last week Kris Trotter decided to take her six year old Airedale, Scout (Hollytroy's Harper Lee) for a walk. Along their route is a cemetery, and on this day attracted by all the new brightly colored flags and poppies Kris decided to go in and, take a look. As she began going up and down the rows she suddenly realized Scout was not at her side, looking round she could see her sitting a short distance away on one of the graves. Kris called her several times, but she didn't budge, she just sat and sat and sat so Kris decided to fetch her, as she approached she noticed the name on the headstone was that of twenty year old Pte David Greenslade a well know Saint John hero. David was one of six soldiers killed Easter Sunday, April 8, 2007 when their vehicle struck a roadside bomb in Kandahar, Afghanistan, also well known was the love David had for his Airedale Terrier, Colby. If you look closely in one of the photos you'll see an Airedale photo-shopped into David's picture. That Airedale is his beloved Colby who died two years after David, and is buried with him. One of the last things David said, to his mother and father before leaving for Afghanistan was, "take care of Colby for me until I get back". Colby was one of Winnie Gervais' Jalyanaire Airedales.

How did Scout know. (thank you to Carole Kane for pictures & write up.)



A Chuckle for Us Older Ladies

This was sent to me from a dear friend who bred and showed Cairns. She was self taught on the computer and mastered it beautifully. She kept us regaled with beautiful pictures, videos, dog news and of course jokes that she either found on line or her many friends sent her. I will miss you Andrea, your knowledge of dogs and of life.

I HAVE BECOME 85 YEARS OLD SINCE YOU LAST SAW ME, AND A FEW CHANGES HAVE COME INTO MY LIFE SINCE THEN. FRANKLY I HAVE BECOME A FRIVOLOUS OLD GAL! I AM SEEING SIX GENTLEMEN EVERY DAY??

AS SOON AS I WAKE UP WILL POWER HELPS ME GET OUT OF BED; THEN HE LEAVES AND I GO TO SEE JOHN. I KNOW THEN, I MUST SEE PHILIP MAGNESIA. HE IS ALWAYS THERE, SO STRONG, AND YET SO MILD AND GENTLE, NEVER GRIPES LIKE THE REST. IT IS SUCH A RELIEF TO HAVE HIM.

SOON CHARLIE HORSE COMES ALONG, WHEN HE IS HERE HE TAKES A LOT OF MY TIME AND ENERGY. WHEN HE LEAVES ARTHUR RITIS SHOW UP AND STAYS THE REST OF THE DAY. HE DOES NOT LIKE TO STAY IN ONE PLACE VERY LONG, SO HE TAKES ME FROM JOINT TO JOINT.

AFTER SUCH A BUSY DAY I AM REALLY TIRED AND READY TO GO TO BED WITH BEN GAY. WHAT A LIFE! BUT I'M NEVER LONESOME.



*Merry Christmas to
All*

*From True, the Airedale
Reindeer . He faithfully
pulls Santa's sled to bring
toys to all the little boys
and girls, and a few of the
big people, if they have
been extra good!*