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Q If you don't own a dog, at least one, there is not necessarily anything wrong with you, but there may be something wrong with your life.
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 -Roger Caras

Norwich Terrier: Dog of the Month



The Norwich Terriers are hardy, happy-go-lucky weatherproof companions. Their body lengths and breadths vary, but their docked tails should be long enough to grasp. Smooth coated and wedge shaped, their heads should have plenty of brain room with ears spaced well apart. Small dark almond eyes, together with a foxy muzzle, give the Norwich a typically impish expression. Today they weigh about 12 pounds, are short legged, sturdy and can be any shade from wheaten to dark red, black and tan or grizzled.

Background

The Norwich Terrier was developed into a hunt terrier, riding in the saddlebag as the huntsmen who were on horseback followed the foxhounds. The little terrier was then dropped to the ground when the fox went to ground; it was his job to bolt the fox from his den.

This terrier was bred in Cambridge, Market Harborough, and Norwich, England. He was first recognized in England in 1932. In 1964, the Norwich was classified as a separate breed differentiating it from the Norfolk; this classification was accepted in the U.S. by the AKC on January 1, 1979.

Temperament

They are usually friendly with strangers and less scrappy than many terriers with other dogs. The Norwich should not be let off the leash unless they are in a safely fenced area because they are independent chasers. Although slow to mature, the Norwich responds fairly well to firm, fair obedience training. They are loyal and alert and have a sensitive intelligence, but can be hard to housebreak and are tireless diggers and barkers.

The Norwich adapts easily to any home if allowed some outdoor exercise. They are very sociable, very busy and demand full participation in all activities.

The Norwich Terrier was chosen Best-In-Show this year at the Westminster Show. [see page 5]

Picture from Legacy of the Dog by T. Yamazaki. Text from The Complete Dog Book (18th ed.) by AKC, Legacy of the Dog by T. Yamazaki, and Your Purebred Puppy: A Buyer's Guide by M. Lowell

March Meeting

Our March meeting will be held on Monday, March 16th. Do plan to attend and bring a dish for our potluck dinner. The club will provide beverages. Dinner will be served at 7:00 p.m. and everyone is welcome. If you know of anyone who has recently moved into our area and might be interested in joining our group, do bring them along. This is a good place to meet others who share your interests. All dogs are welcome after the meal. *Good food, friends, and fun !!*

Membership

The following were voted into membership on February 16, 1998:

CANDIDATE MEMBERS

Nancy C. & George L. Robinette
-- Am Cocker

Marcus D. Smith ----- Rottie

Liza Williams ----- Springer

Connie Harter -----Lab. Mix

REGULAR MEMBERS

Edward B. Bradley----Eng.Setter

Carolyn Dennis---Dobe., Bor.Col.

Lynne Degitz & Steven Hartman

-- Weim., Old English

Jill Kaplan ----- Stan. Poodle Brit.

Natalie Rowntree--Afghan, Boxer

Lucia Welborne ----- Lab.

Stella Maunsell

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Spring Show Ads

Please think about advertising. Our big Spring Friday show will soon be here. Please send your Show ads to Marie Inman, 3552 W. Thollie Green Rd., Stem, NC 27518 as soon as possible. \$50.00 for a cover page. \$45.00 for a full page with camera ready picture or art work. \$35.00 for a half page (no picture). \$15.00 for a quarter page (no picture). \$5.00 per Booster or Memory Page line.

Minutes of the DKC Membership Meeting

Feb. 16, 1998 - Following a program involving DKC members participating in a question/answer "dog bowl" the meeting was called to order by President, Richard Perschel.

The minutes from the November 17, 1997 meeting were approved as printed in the club newsletter.

President's Report: Richard informed the membership that our club was trying to purchase the land that is for sale to the right of the driveway. Our initial offer has been refused, but our efforts will continue.

Treasurer's Report:

Checking account:	\$9,791.19
FTF:	\$1,802.14
Balance due on loan:	\$19,382.93
Fin. Manage. Account:	\$25,271.17
Profit from yard sale:	\$1,303.10
" from fall show:	\$1,890.31
" from obed. trial:	\$1,678.49

Stella Maunsell, Membership Chairperson, read the following, who were all approved as member-candidates: Nancy C. and George L. Robinette, Marcus D. Smith, Lisa Williams and Connie Harter.

The following were accepted as DKC regular members: Edward Bradley, Carolyn Dennis, Lynne Degitz and Steven Hartman, Jill Kaplan, Natalie Rowntree and Lucia Welborne.

Jack Sappenfield reminded the membership about the tracking test that is coming up this Sunday. Food for the after-test dinner is still needed and several members volunteered to contribute.

Jack also spoke for absent Joanna Burley regarding the awards program which is scheduled for February 27th. The sign up deadline is approaching, so members were urged to make reservations. There will be a cash bar

at 6:30 p.m. and the dinner will be served at 7:00. The Regal Hotel is the location and the cost will be \$25.00 per person.

Ridley Kessler, Chairperson for the nominating committee submitted the following slate for consideration:

President, Sharon Pitz; Vice President, Diane Kessler; Recording Secretary, Marge White; Corresponding Secretary Rob Bozeman and Emilie Beglane for Treasurer. The Board of Directors will consist of George Beglane, Richard Perschel and Mike Wright with Lisa Connelly serving as AKC Delegate.

The membership was reminded that nominations from the floor will be accepted during the April meeting and may be made by any DKC member in good standing.

Richard Perschel informed the membership that the 1998 fall show will be held at our property on Harris Road. This will be the first show to be held at that location.

Connie Howard, Spring Show chairperson, said that Kasey Smith will need help on the hospitality committee the day of the show (March 20th) and Maureen Lucas will also need help in transporting judges. If there are no volunteers to help with transportation, the club will again have to rent a van which is expensive.

Iams Dog Foods is sponsoring the show and hosting a dinner on Saturday night. Each club on the Tarheel Circuit is asked to supply 3 volunteers to help with the dinner.

Judy Ortiz, Obedience chairperson for the March show needs stewards for obedience. It was announced that this year the obedience rings will be housed under an enclosed tent. The rings will be on asphalt.

Terri Toohil invited the membership to contribute to the newsletter with human interest items, etc. Terri reminded the members that we now have our own web site and are online.

Following several brags, the meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Submitted with respect by

Marjorie J. White

Recording Secretary

Upcoming Events
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(Help Needed)
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Mar. 20, 1998 (Friday)
State Fairgrounds
Jim Graham Building

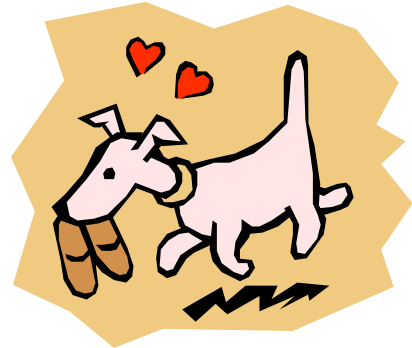
Spring Show
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Volunteers needed in all areas.
 Please contact: **Connie Howard**
(919) 477-1719.
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April 5, 1998 (Sunday)

TD Test

Jack Sappenfield
(919) 405-2124
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AKC Delegate's Report

First of all, my apologies for submitting such a late report on the December meeting -- I missed the December deadline for our newsletter due to the Christmas rush, and when I e-mailed the report to Terri for the January newsletter, it evidently went out somewhere in cyberspace, but not to her! But better late than never, and now I can include some information on the upcoming March meeting as well.

Because of travel arrangements in December I was unable to attend any of the committee meetings that are held the Monday before the actual Delegate's meetings, so I can't report on them this time. However, I will be able to attend these meetings in March, so if any DKC member has any special interests in the work done by these committees (Dog Show Rules, Canine Health, Parent Clubs, All Breed Clubs, etc.), please let me know and I will sit in on that meeting for you and let you know what the topics of discussion were.

The December Delegate's Meeting was held on Tuesday the 9th at the Grand Hyatt Hotel. The day began with the Delegate's Forum and we were treated to a fascinating report on the Parent Club Genetics Conference that was held in St. Louis in November. The highlight of the Forum was a talk given by Dr. Elaine Ostrander of the University of Washington on the Development and Application of the Canine Genome. Partially as a result of these AKC sponsored conferences, there is a great deal of collaboration between Dr. Ostrander's lab and those of other researchers. These collaborations have resulted in great strides being made in mapping the canine genome, and this research has the potential to be of enormous benefit to the purebred dog fancy. Tests to identify carriers of several sorts of genetic disease have already been

developed (e.g., a form of PRA in Irish Setters, copper toxicosis in Bedlington Terriers), and there are many more tests which should be available to breeders in the next few years. Anyone interested in reading about the research presented at the Genetics Conference in more detail can check out the December, 1997 issue of the journal Genomics, or the upcoming issue of the journal Canine Practice, as Dr. Ostrander indicated that conference proceedings will be published there.

At the actual Delegates meeting in the afternoon, two new clubs (the Buckeye Retriever Club and the Sussex Spaniel Club of America) were elected as AKC member clubs. The next order of business was to have been a vote on two proposed amendments to the AKC Constitution and Bylaws that would have ensured geographic representation on the Nominating Committees and would have prevented Delegates from signing petitions for more candidates than they have votes. However, these proposed amendments were withdrawn by the Delegate who made them, Dick Perrell of the Scottsdale Dog Fanciers Association. Next was a vote on a proposed amendment that would eliminate the requirement that all minor "housekeeping" Rule and Bylaw amendments be read at a Delegates meeting. The thinking behind this amendment was that currently there is no way around reading every single amendment to the Constitution and Bylaws, whether it is major or minor, and this is a logistics nightmare. For example, there is a proposal afoot to simplify the Bylaws by changing all references to "show committee, bench committee, field trial committee", etc., to "event committee". This would result in 209 changes and every single section would have to be read aloud at the Delegates meeting! After much discussion pro and con, a vote was taken and your Delegate voted in favor of the proposal, for it made a

good deal of sense to me. However, although a majority of the Delegates were in favor of the proposal, two-thirds of the vote is required for an amendment to pass and this goal was not reached so the amendment was defeated.

Six amendments were read which will be voted on at the March meeting. The first of these, if passed, would eliminate the prohibition on advertising an event prior to AKC approval. AKC already advertises corresponding and pending dates in the Events Calendar, so it doesn't make sense to keep this rule on the books. The second amendment would stipulate exactly which AKC publications must be available at an event (e.g. Rules Applying to Dog Shows, Dealing With Misconduct, etc.). The third amendment would eliminate the requirement for obtaining a postal certification when event premium lists are mailed -- these postal certifications are difficult to obtain and AKC doesn't check them anyway. The fourth amendment would permit alcoholic beverages to be given as prizes at events. Evidently the rule prohibiting this was put on the books during Prohibition and was never repealed! Many clubs have asked that they be allowed to include a bottle of wine in a gift basket, and this amendment must be changed before they can do so. The fifth amendment would permit specialty clubs to offer multiple-win trophies for first place in non-regular classes (i.e., Veterans, Stud Dog, etc.) -- currently such trophies may only be offered in the regular classes. The sixth amendment would permit the transfer of a dog between the Puppy and Twelve-to-Eighteen-Month class just as transfers are now permitted between the two divisions of the Puppy Class. The thinking here is that age miscalculations are as common between Puppy and 12-to-18 as they are between 6-to-9 and 9-to-12 classes, and should be handled the same way.

In other news, it was announced that there are plans to change the litter registration procedure so that all co-owners of a dam must sign the form, which the Board hopes will help prevent disputes between co-owners, or at least force them to settle their differences before litter registrations are applied for. Marg Pough, the Delegate for the Finger Lakes KC, reported that her lab at Cornell is seeing two new types of Leptospirosis in dogs (leptospirosis pomona & leptospirosis grippo typhosa) and recommended that anyone testing their dogs for leptospirosis ask that these types be included in the laboratory work up. She also reported that ehrlichiosis in dogs is on the rise, and is important to test for several different varieties rather than just for ehrlichia canis, as several different types of ehrlichia have been reported in dogs. The December Delegates meeting was adjourned following these reports.

The March Delegates meeting will be held on Tuesday the 10th at the Sheraton New York Hotel. The agenda includes votes on the amendments that were read at the December meeting (see above) and Board Elections. The candidates for the AKC Board include Robert L. Kelly, Kenneth A. Marden, Asa Mays, John Ronald, Bernard Schwartz, Robert D. Smith, and John A. Studebaker. If anyone has opinions on the proposed amendments or on candidates for the AKC Board of Directors, please contact me before March 7th. Remember, I am your representative, and the more input I get from you, the better I can do my job!

Respectfully submitted,
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Westminster Show

The Best in Show was **Ch. Fairewood Frolic, a 3 year old Norwich Terrier bitch**, who is owned by Sandina Kennels, Glovina and Alexander Schwartz, Tuxedo Park, NY. This was the second win for Glovina and her first win in the Terrier Group. Handler Peter Green, Bowsmanville, PA, led "Rocki" to 130 group firsts (AKC Statistics, Jan. 1998), the most ever achieved by any terrier in history. "Rocki" was bred by winning breeder Lotus Tutton of Alliston, Ontario. From www.woofs.org

Online Show Info

If you are interested in show results and other types of canine information, try the following sites:

www.usanetwork.com

www.infodog.com

www.woofs.com

And, if you have not already done so, think about joining an e-mail group online for your breed. This is an e-mail group concerned with just your breed. It takes about an hour a day for me, but is it fun and worthwhile.

Terri Toohil

Update on Jake

Jake, whose story was published in the January DKC Newsletter, has been diagnosed with a malignant fibrous histiocytoma and must undergo extensive surgery. His human, Daniel Wilson, would appreciate your prayers and e-mail.

Durham Dog Park

It has been proposed to the Durham City Council, by Joanna Wolfe, that Durham follow the lead of other major cities and create a dog park.

It would consist basically of just an acre of land with a fence around it for a dog park which would be a safe haven for animal exercise. *Herald-Sun*

Durham K-9s

The Durham police department has two new police officers padding around.

Doenja and Bosco are three year old Belgian Malinois police dogs. Two dogs died last year and now the department is back to its normal strength of four dogs.

In 1997, the police dogs tracked down 68 suspects, some of whom were wanted for aggravated assault, robbery and rape. The dogs also recovered 14 handguns, more than \$12,000 worth of stolen merchandise and almost \$100, 000 in drugs. *Herald-Sun*

The Creation Story as Told by a Dog.

On the first day of creation, God created the dog.

On the second day, God created humans to serve the dog.

On the third day, God created all the animals of the earth (especially the horse) to serve as potential food for the dog. [And the plants too if you are a Sheltie.]

On the fourth day, God created honest toil so that humans could labor for the good of the dog.

On the fifth day, God created the tennis ball so that the dog might or might not retrieve it.

On the sixth day, God created veterinary science to keep the dog healthy and the humans broke.

On the seventh day, God tried to rest, but He had to walk the DOG.

From Susan on the Sheltie-line

RESCUE

Contact **Marie Inman**, if you or anyone you know, wishes to adopt a **5 year old male Boxer**. He has been neutered, is an inside outside dog. Gentle and sweet. **Call 528-3433** and leave a message saying, "Yes!"

SHOW REPORT: CONFORMATION

OWNER'S NAME	DOG'S NAME (BREED)	SHOW & DATE	CLASS	POINTS	HIGHEST WIN	SPECIAL MERIT
Lisa Connelly & Charles Vance	Eddie (Border Terrier)	Westminster KC (98)	BOB		BOB	
Susan Jones	Samantha (LH Mini Dachs)	Fla. Gulf Coast Dachs. Club (1/5/98)	Sweepstakes		Best in Sweeps	
Susan Jones	Samantha (LH Mini Dachs)	Dachs. Ass. Of Long Island (12/14/97)	Sweeps		BOS Long	
Susan Jones	Samantha (LH Mini Dachs)	Dachs. Ass. Of Long Island (12/14/97)	12 - 18 in.		RWB	
Helen Glenn	Charlie F (Westie)	Carolina KC (12/3/97)	Bred By	3	BOB	

PERFORMANCE SHOW REPORT: OBEDIENCE, TRACKING, HERDING, FIELD TRIALS, LURE COURSING AND AGILITY, ETC.

OWNER'S NAME	DOG'S NAME (BREED)	SHOW & DATE	CLASS	SCORE	LEG	PLACING	SPECIAL AWARD
Betsy & Buddy Amos	Saber (Weim)	GCWC Hunting Test (12/14/97)	Junior Hunter		1st		
Betsy & Buddy Amos	Saber (Weim)	GCWC Hunting Test (1/3, 4/98)	Junior Hunter		2nd 3rd		
Brian Wall	Foxglen Black Onyx CDX "Sassy"	Spartanburg KC (1/17/98)	Open A		3rd		CDX
Brian Wall	Foxglen Black Onyx CDX "Sassy"	Greenville (1/18/98)	Open A		4th		
Brian Wall	Barnyard Disbuds for Dalclar CD	Greenville (1/18/98)	Novice B		3rd		CD
Brian Wall	Hard Times Calamity Jane CD	Atlanta (2/1/98)	Novice B		3rd		CD

