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No matter what  
 you've done wrong,  
 always try to make  
 it look like the dog  
 did it. - Unknown  
 (probably a cat)

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## Cardigan Welch Corgi: Dog of the Month

The Cardigan Welch Corgi, the Corgi with the tail, is a member of the Herding Group. It is low set with moderately heavy bone



and a deep chest and is larger and more robust than the Pembroke Corgi. The Cardigan; an intelligent dog with a good, even tempered and friendly nature; is capable of both speed and endurance. They make excellent, house pets and are good with children, but suspicious of strangers.

**Background:** The Cardigan is a descendant of the same family that produced the Dachshund, but has been bred separately since being introduced to Wales by the Celts 3,000 years ago. The breed's original use was as a cattle and game working dog, but has largely been a pet in recent years. Approval was given to the Cardigan Welch Corgi by the AKC on Dec. 13, 1994 (Effective Jan. 31, 1995).

**Show Ring:** Overall balance is more important than absolute size. Dogs and bitches should be from 10.5 to 12.5 inches at the withers when standing naturally. The ideal length/height ratio is 1.8:1 when measuring from the point of the breast bone to the rear of the hip and measuring from the ground to the point of the withers. Ideally, dogs should be from 30 to 38 pounds; bitches from 25 to 34 pounds. Lack of overall balance, oversized or undersized are serious faults. The coat is short and dense, giving good weather protection. Colors include red, fawn, or brindle.

**Breeding and Whelping:** Breeding problems are infrequent. Litter size is usually 5 or 6, with 8 pups not being uncommon and even 13 reported. Birth weigh is usually 8 to 16 ounces.

not many birth defects are noted; some lines occasionally have curly tails and cleft palates are seen.

**Breed Disqualifications** are as follows: blue eyes, or partially blue eyes, in any coat color other than blue merle; drop ears; nose other than solid black except in blue merles; any color other than specified, body color predominantly white.

**Recognized Problems:** there is a high risk of **urolithiasis**. Congenital problems include **progressive retinal atrophy** and **secondary glaucoma**. Rapidly growing pups will sometimes develop **sprain of the shoulder joint capsule** if allowed to descend stairs frequently. The Cardigan is less susceptible to **epilepsy** than the Pembroke. **Back problems** occur in older dogs - particularly if overweight and under exercised. **Neck pain** may occur due to calcified cervical discs.

**Old Age:** Average life span is **10 to 12 years**.

*From: Ross D. Clark, DVM & Joan R. Stainer. Medical and Genetic Aspects of Purebred Dogs; AKC. The Complete Dog Book (18th ed.); and the AKC web site.*

## January Meeting

**FOOD:** Our January meeting will be held on Monday, Jan. 15<sup>th</sup>. 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. Dogs are welcomed in the building during the pot luck dinner before the meeting, but should be crated or kept in Ring 2 until dinner is over.

**PROGRAM:** **Barbara Simmons** will be presenting the program in January entitled: **Canine Separation Anxiety**. This will be an interesting and helpful presentation. Please come.

## Yard Sale

Please remember our Yard sale is on Jan 13<sup>th</sup>.

Items for the yard sale can be brought to the building the week of Jan 8th in the evening from 7-9 PM and left in the kitchen as classes are going on at that time.

Anyone able to help set up and price items Thur. and Fri. PM; Jan 11th and 12th, please call Sharon Pitz @ 384-9071.

## Spring Show

Volunteers are needed to work the March DKC Show in Raleigh (March 23) in the following areas:

1. Assisting with Ring Hospitality and Judges' lunches
2. Catalog sales
3. Work microphone
4. work with setups.

Please contact

Ridley Kessler (919) 929-1955  
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## Conformation

We will offer a beginner conformation show handling class beginning Thursday, February 15, running for 6 weeks. Class will be held from 7:30 to 8:30. The cost will be \$50. For more information or to enroll,

call Betty McAllister, after 6 PM, weekdays, at 528 2649.

## Membership

Corrections to the Newsletter Member List. Please continue to give us your corrections.

Hope Sylvain  
champagn@bellsouth.net

## Westminster on TV

Mon., Feb. 12 at 8-11 p.m.

(repeats Feb. 13 at 11 a.m.)

Group Judging: Working, Terrier, Toy, Non-Sporting

Tue., Feb. 13 at 8-11 p.m.

(repeats Feb. 14 at 11 a.m.)

Group Judging: Sporting, Hound, Herding  
Best in Show Judging

## Westminster Tidbits

The Jack Russell Terrier will make its first appearance in the Terrier Group, the largest of the 7 groups consisting of 27 terrier breeds. The JRT became a member of the AKC Terrier Group last April.

The Spinone Italiano will also appear for the first time at an AKC show. It is a member of the Sporting Group and will be the newest of the 158 breeds and varieties represented at the 125<sup>th</sup> annual show.

The five top winning dogs (of AKC sanctioned shows) from each breed earn invitations and entry forms which were to be returned by Dec. 6. Non-invited champions had 2 additional days to enter.

J.R. (Ch. Special Times' Just Right), a 3 year old Bichon Frise, is currently, the No. 1 dog in the U.S., having defeated more than 90,000 contenders.

This event is expected to draw about 2,500 dogs.

## Upcoming Events

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January 8, 2001 (Mon)

### Agility Begins

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January 9,10, 2001 (Tue, Wed)

### Obedience Begins

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January 13, 2001 (Sat)(DKC)

### YARD SALE

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February 15, 2001 (Thur)(DKC)

### Conformation Begins

Betty McAllister 919 528 2649

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### AWARDS BANQUET

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### Tracking Test

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March 23, 2001

### SPRING SHOW

Ridley Kessler 919 929-1955

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Apr. 20- 22, 2001 (3 days)

### Spring Agility Trials

Mary Whorton 919 471-1405

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**SHOW REPORT: CONFORMATION**

OWNER'S NAME	DOG'S NAME (BREED)	SHOW & DATE	CLASS	PTS	HIGHEST WIN	SPECIAL MERIT
Carolyn Wolfe & Joanne Harrar	Carmen (Keeshond)	Lumberton (11/18/00)	12-18 mo.	1	BW, BOS	
Emmy Wolters	Bandit (Bouvier)	Lumberton (11/18/00)	Puppy 9-12	2	BW, BOB	
"	"	Ladies Dog Club	Sweeps 9-12 mo.	-	Best in Sweeps	
"	"	"	Puppy 9-12 mo.	2	WD, BOW	Amer. Bouvier club supported entry
"	Izzy (Bouvier)	Fayetteville (11/19/00)	Puppy 9-12	2	BW, BOB	
Hope Sylvain	Joy (French Bulldog)	Lumberton KC (11/18/00)	Open Bitch	1	WB, BOS	

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

OWNER'S NAME	DOG'S NAME (BREED)	SHOW & DATE	CLASS	SCORE	LEG	PLACE	SP. AWARD
Tracy Fletcher	Tess (Sheltie)	Triangle Sheltie Club	Utility A	193	1	1	
"	"	"	"	193	2	1	HIT
"	Boo (Sheltie)	"	Utility B	193.5		1	HIT
"	Tess (Sheltie)	Lumberton KC	Utility A	191.5	3	1	
Carol Quinlan	Sunny (Sheltie)	PBCA	HS	83	3	-	
"	"	PBCA	HS	90	4	1	HS Title
Lisa Connelly & Charles Vance	Grace (Border Terrier)	Southeastern Border Terrier Assoc.	Jr. Earthdog	100	2		JE Title!!!
Mike & Joanne Wright	Tresa (Irish Setter)		Novice B	188.5	1	2	
"	Shannon (Irish Setter)	DKC	Utility A	170	1	3	
"	Tresa (Irish Setter)	DKC	Novice B	181.5	2		
"	"	DKC	Novice B	187.5	3		CD!!!
Carolyn Wolfe	Trudy (Kees)	Winston-Salem	Open A	178	1		
Lynn Michael	Geez Louise	PBCA	HT	Q	1		
"	"	PBCA	HT	Q	2		HT Title!!!
Jane Bergsten	Larkin (Golden Retriever)	DKC (12/16/00)	Open A	192	2		
"	"	DKC (12/17/00)	Open A	178.5	3		CDX!!!!
Tammy Abernethy	Belle (Labrador Retriever)	Greater Columbia Obedience Club (12-2)	Utility A	189	2	1	
Sandra Curtis-Powell & Phyllis Knight	Pebbles (Australian Terrier)	Forsyth KC (Dec 10)	Nov B	185.5	3	4	CD!!!!
Stacy Garvin	Shadow (Belgian Sheepdog)	Fayetteville KC (11/19/00)	Open A		2	1	
"	"	Forsyth KC (12/9/00)	Open A		3		CDX!!!