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Montgomery
Weekend
2015,
One to
Remember

President's Message

While it may seem repetitive from prior messages, I wish to thank all of our dedicated volunteers who worked so diligently to make this year National Specialty and Floating Specialty great successes, yet again.

Planning for these, happen months in advance, and without our members participation would not be the events that they are.

Also, I wish to thank Jacqui Hayes, for her work as editor of the Kings Herald, and to Carol Robson for graciously taking it on.

President's message cont'd

Travelled to Montgomery this year, it was great to see some of you there, and of course the dales. With the torrential rains on the Friday -Hatboro show, and having Devon cancelled due to weather- site condition it was worrisome what Sunday's weather would hold - but on the day the rain held off and the dogs enjoyed the cool weather. The club & event organizers did a great job in light of prior weather.

For the coming year, we are in the early stages of planning for the 2016 National Specialty, which will be held in Kitchener, Ont. the long weekend in May, so keep this date open and hope to see you there.

Wishing you & your dales, a Merry Christmas / Happy Holidays and all the Best in the New Year.

Cheers
Dawn

Editor's comments:

For me, this was an exciting Montgomery. It was the 40th anniversary of the first time I showed an Airedale, one from my first litter (1975)!

I remember the year 1975 as a much more pleasant year as far as the weather. My first home-bred, eventual Can Ch. Tweedledee of Shawndee won the 6-9 mos. class in sweeps and regular class. It was a thrill, but terribly nerve wracking I remember, to go in with all the "big guns" for winners!

The digital painting on the cover of this edition is courtesy of Andrea Sanders depicting an Airedale at Morris and Essex.

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The dog in the picture, Zeppelin (GCh. Timberwyck Peak Performance) is owned by Heather Roozee. A print of this digital painting is available for purchase by contacting Andrea.

The young man in the photo is an example of the period dress seen at Morris and Essex this year.



Back to 1975....The first time I saw this trophy it was not nearly as big as it has been expanded to hold all the winners over the years.

In 1975 the point scale for a 5 point major required 16 dogs & 23 bitches. This year it required 14 dogs and 22 bitches. Not a great change.

In 1975 the entry was Sweeps 37, Dogs 38, VD 4, Bitches 46, VB 1, BOB 32. In 2015 the entry was Sweeps 22, Dogs 18, VD 4, Bitches 38, VB 1, BOB 25.

Sweeps judge in 1975 was Mrs. James Mason and Mr. Tom Gately was breed judge. This year the sweeps judge was Mr. Doug Moore and the breed judge was Ms. Anne Barlow. The BOB winner in 1975 was Ch. Ironsides Pacific Station bred and owned by Sara Pekarsky and husband of California. I was fortunate to meet Mrs. Pekarsky later in California and she was a delightful (older lady) with lots to say about the Airedale. This years winner was GCH Joval Sweet Time bred and owned by Valeria & John Rickard.

This year the Morris and Essex show added some intrigue and was probably the nicest day of the shows. Many wore clothes from earlier times to celebrate this special day. This show occurs every 5 years in conjunction with the usual group of shows that weekend. The rain managed to hold off for most of the day.

I did not attend the first Hatboro show but I understand the weather was not too bad.

Devon, being held in a low spot, was cancelled due to flooding. Hatboro's second show continued even though it rained fairly hard most of the day. The judge, Mr. Ken McDermot, the handlers, and dogs all looked like they would rather be elsewhere. Montgomery was a cool, windy day, but it did not rain.

Even with the poor weather there were three rows of spectators around the ring on two sides. The Airedales loved the cool weather and many were pretty "feisty", almost kicking up their heels like young horses!!

I managed to catch a couple of Canadian dogs in the ring....there were more but I did not get a picture of them, sorry. Also, for ease in opening this document I have downsized the photos for web and they are not as clear but hopefully will open better.

Next pages feature the true versatility of the Airedale. Enjoy reading about the successes of four Airedales in a variety of useful working pursuits. Thank you to Dr. Joanne Helm, Carole Kane and Heather Faulkner for sharing these inspiring stories.



**Sunday October 4,
2015**

Dawn Tufts with Am & Can Ch. Regalridge Sound Investment sparring with Am. Ch. Longvue Jackpot with Todd Clyde



Open bitch Kalua Dabsquoui Foxy Khaleesi shown by Louise Lambert



Scarlett (Am & Can Ch Shawndee Witch Ride of Tanaire) at Morris & Essex. She was 2nd in the Bred by Class under James Reynolds to the bitch that was WB most of the week-end. Finished at Sioux Falls going BOB under Polly Smith over the #5 Airedale in the U.S. (She started her U.S. career going Breed over the same dog in June at Fargo) Thanks to Andrea Sanders for this candid.

A picture of four month old Tilly (Hollytroy's What A Pretty Face) winning "Best Baby Puppy In Group" in Moncton.



SHAWNDEE CAST IRON WILD CHILD



Chillie

Loved by Airedale Breeder Judges
 Best in Sweepstakes at Airedale
 Terrier Club Canada Floater, Calgary
 by Andrea Easten (Cooleamber)
 Best Baby Puppy in Show at MCA,
 Winnipeg by Pam Bruce (Accolade)
 Best in Sweepstakes at Twin
 Cities Airedale Specialty by
 Diane Schlicht (D'Aire)
 Puppy group at Fort
 Garry KC by Lee Steeves
 (Regalridge)
 All by 6 mos age

Breeder/Owner: Carol Robson - Shawndee - shawndee@mymts.net / Handler: Celeste Bennett
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Best in Sweeps
 Wheat City Kennel Club
 Nov. 13, 14 & 15, 2015



ad by Wendy Reyn - WINCONLINE

The Working Airedales

As 2015 draws to a close it is nice to spend some time and look back on the year that was. It is easy, as we rush through our busy schedules, to perhaps dwell on the “not so successful” times.

I look back and I am thrilled to see where our 2015 journey took us.

We competed in 4 provinces in several different dog sports. We holidayed in a 5th province.

We collected titles in 3 different sports, Rally obedience, agility and obedience.

We tried new things: herding sheep and barn hunt. And we met ostriches for the first time.

And 2015 marked Haylee’s retirement from competition. She had a very successful career and is known as Nightsun Rising Star CDX RAE AGEJV AGIS. I will miss her smiling face in the ring.

And now we turn our sights to 2016. This will be the 30th anniversary of me having Airedales and the 20th anniversary of competing with them.

When I started out, obedience was the only option. Now there are so many choices offered by several different organizations.

My Airedales have proven time and again that they are up for anything I think we should try. They really do enjoy the diversity. Airedales are a very versatile breed! I also believe that it is the very strong obedience foundation that I start with that enables us to play in so many different dog sports.

Airedales keep you very honest in training, no shortcuts! And be prepared for their challenges. They will reward you with loyalty, a willingness to try almost anything. And that most loveable Airedale humor.

In 2016 True,
(Shawndee’s Troubadour CDX
RE AGNS AGNJS WC DD) will
be working toward his utility
in obedience. As well, we will
continue with the field work,
tracking, draft dog and more
agility. And we will work in a
couple of family holidays.

HAPPY NEW YEAR
everyone! And may you all
enjoy an active, healthy year
with your Airedales.



AGILITY

Hayley

Nightsun Rising Star
CDX RAE AGEJV AGIS.



True

Shawndee's Troubadour
CDX RE AGNS AGNJS WC
DD



TRACKING

True





*Shawndee's
Troubadour*

*CDX RE AGNS
AGNJS WC DD*



True and Friend with Heather



Heaven Sent *Beaverlodge resident pioneers the use of Alzheimer's service dogs*

by Elise Mumert

The most important drug in Kim White's pillbox is her three-year-old Airedale terrier Maggie.

A Beaverlodge local, Kim was diagnosed with early-onset Alzheimer's disease three years ago, when she was 48 years old. She had originally obtained Maggie to train as a therapy dog for use in seniors' homes, but upon her diagnosis the White family switched tracks. "We decided I needed her more," smiles Kim.

A life-long terrier lover, White has both groomed dogs and entered them in dog shows. But now, the love affair has taken on a whole new level.

The only dog in the area that is being taught to aid an Alzheimer's patient, Maggie has been scent trained by Kim and her entire family. "Anything of mine that I need, she can find," she says. "My purse, keys. She closes the back door of our house with a rope. She's always learning, it's a family effort."

Maggie hugely helps Kim with the anxiety that comes along with Alzheimer's, and knows when Kim is having a bad day before anyone else does.

"She's just such a comfort. Just to have her with me all the time...She'll come right away and stay with me," Kim says. "If I go somewhere and I'm out of her sight, they'll say to her, 'find Mum.'

And she'll come and get me."

Although Kim and Maggie share a unique bond, the terrier looks after the whole family. "Her instincts set off if anyone is upset in the house, not just me. My son comes home after a bad day and puts his head down; she'll lick it until he's smiling again."

Rebecca Hayes-Copeland, owner of Grande Prairie training company Partners Naturally, does refresher training with Maggie once a week at her farm if needed, but on the whole it is the White family who have transformed Maggie into a one-of-a-kind service dog.

"Right now we're working on making sure we're the boss, not her!" laughs Kim. The best way for Maggie to be trained is with a ball, as Kim explains. "She's toy-oriented. It's cheaper and better for her health. We keep up on her health more than normal."

"Labradors are the usual choice for service dogs," says Kim's husband Bruce, "whereas Maggie was born and bred for ratting."

Maggie's high intelligence and active personality means an occasional battle of wills, but no more than with any two-legged member of the White family.

Dementia is not yet recognized by Canadian authorities as a legitimate disease for service dogs, but co-founder of the Early Onset Dementia Alberta Association Bernie Travis from Edmonton is working to change that.

"(A dog) makes a big difference," she says.

Travis poses that a lot of people afflicted with Alzheimer's already have dogs as unofficial companions, but not in the service dog sense and not specifically trained. And that's what her organization is fighting for.

"They do help you when you cross the street, they keep you safe, indicate when it's time to eat and take medication, keep you on the sidewalk," she lists off. "They're very intelligent...Dogs are intuitive to support people with issues," she says. "They're sensitive to emotions, and respond before we can."

For people with Alzheimer's, legitimizing and systematizing service dogs officially would propel the dogs from being just a comforting companion to a real practical help in functioning daily, opening many options that would otherwise be closed.

Australia is in the process of establishing early-onset dementia as a legitimate disease for service dogs, and Travis is getting information from that pilot project. "We're trying to work with that instead of re-inventing the wheel."

Despite the positive benefits of having dogs trained specifically as service companions for early-onset dementia, there are both legal and social roadblocks.

"It's ideally best (for the patient) to progress with the pet," Travis explains. "What authorities are worried about is how people interact with the dogs as they change with the disease."

Service dogs for Alzheimer's have not been an option in previous years, because of the generally advanced age of diagnosed sufferers. Kim's husband Bruce explains, "They won't typically give service dogs to Alzheimer's patients because they don't want owners to say, put the dog outside in 40 below and then forget to bring it in, or they forget to feed it." But these risks don't apply to Kim yet as she's been diagnosed early on, and still in her early 50s. "Maggie won't eat until Kim does. And Maggie keeps her calm."

If Bernie Travis and the Early Onset Dementia Alberta Association are successful, guide dogs like Maggie would one day be able to board planes with their owners, to guide them safely to their destinations and fend off anxiety attacks or disorientation.

Bernie Travis says that early onset dementia isn't widely heard of. But now Alzheimer's is being detected when people are in their late 40s to early 50s, in patients who need higher levels of activities than just a therapy dog that sit and cuddle them.

"In these newer cases, a guide dog is the ideal companion, because it only stops when you're tired. They can walk with you and bring you back home," she says.

What the White family is experiencing corroborates this.

"They're able to start treating it and slow down the process," says Bruce. "Kim could be like this for another 20 years."

Maggie does have a service jacket that she wears in public, and like other guide dogs Kim says Maggie is not supposed to be touched by strangers while she is on duty. No matter how much she would usually love to greet everyone with a friendly lick; when she's working and wearing her jacket, her attitude changes. "She's paying attention to Kim. She doesn't bark at other dogs or passers-by," says Bruce. Although Kim is able to bring Maggie into Beaverlodge and Grande Prairie stores unhindered, Kim doesn't always seem to benefit from this distinction of being recognized as a service dog.

"I couldn't believe how many people are rude towards a dog in a store," commented Bruce. "Running carts into her, not moving out of her way."

Kim understands that change takes time. I'm not blind, I don't look sick. Why do I have a service dog? That's the problem with me owning her. You can't tell."

Kim used to love traveling and would go anywhere, but her condition has now limited her range. She wishes she could take Maggie to visit her sister, a dog trainer living in Saskatchewan. "But I can't go to her now, it's too far out of my comfort zone. I can't go alone. And I will not put Maggie under the plane." Despite these legal and social road blocks, Kim and Bruce remain positive. "The Town of Beaverlodge has written a letter and is backing me on it," Kim says. "I can take Maggie anywhere in Beaverlodge and any store will let her in with me. I take her all over G.P. with me. No problems. Beaverlodge has been an awesome sport. The town, all the businesses, my doctor, even her vet sees how good we are for each other. We obviously must click together hey?" Kim asks Maggie, whose eyes are quirked attentively upon her owner. So why is it better to treat Alzheimer's with dogs than with medication alone? Kim needs drugs as well, and takes five different ones. But a strong dose for anxiety is not among them. "Maggie crawls up, puts all her weight on my chest and just lies there," says Kim, describing an anxiety attack. "She's the best drug on the market. I couldn't live without her. When we're alone, she's at my side all the time." "With Alzheimer's you lose your filter," Bruce says, looking at Kim. "There are little changes in her speech that Kim doesn't notice, but that I do. Sometimes maybe she'll snap at me a little, and I don't take offense. But when Maggie's around, Kim doesn't do that. It doesn't happen at all."

Thank you to Dr. Joanne Helm for getting Permission to print this article. This is one of Joanne's Airedales that is doing this work!

Some of the drugs Kim takes for Alzheimer's have given her osteoporosis, but the Maggie drug has no negative side effects.

Kim says there are about five other people in Grande Prairie who have early onset Alzheimer's. Two of them can't drive anymore, but Kim still has her license and is able to drive alone as far as Grande Prairie and to Dawson Creek. Maggie needs to be in the back seat however, just so Kim can reach back for a reassuring lick on the hand. All unique benefits of a helpful service companion, jobs that drugs just can't do...

Kim has a loving family by her side, and Maggie completes the picture as Kim's constant companion, her unshake-

- able rock in the face of an unpredictable future.

"She's got a great attitude towards life. She's awesome," smiles Kim fondly.



2015 Ch On Ariel' s Wings at Hollytroy SD-S SP



Lyric achieved her SD-S SP (Sporting Dog Starter level “special” title) dog and handler will only receive the “special” designation if you complete and pass all three required components in one day. Pictures above are two of the three components. She was the 2nd Airedale Terrier to obtain this title in Canada. We continue our training and plan to trial again for our advanced title and excellent title. Here is a little explanation about the SDDA from their website.

“Sporting Detection is the fun and competitive version of scent detection such as for narcotics, termites or explosives. However, our competitions use legal scents that are easily purchased and stored by the average person. The dog must locate a hidden target scent within an area and alert the handler to its location. It is a true partnership sport in which both partners must rely on one another. The Sporting Detection Dogs Association was established so that dogs and their people can enjoy detection work.”



(Ch RZenith's Hollytroy Dragonfly) Sire: Ch Hat Trick's Brisline Bo Helio, Dam: Ch Hollytroy's Warrior Princess CD CGN Breeder Veronique Lefevre, owner Carole Kane

Ch Hollytroy's Autumn Wings, Sire: Am Can CFC Ch Scoshire Aires Samuel Steel Dam: Ch Hollytroy's Legacy For Murrayvale



Hi All

A little news from Hollytrov, Miramichi, NB

Three championships made up this past year or so, Trace (Ch RZeith's Hollytrov Dragon Fly), Coco, (Ch Hollytrov's Autumn Wings), and Lyric (Ch On Ariel's Wings At Hollytrov). Lexus (RZenith N' Hollytrov's Lexus) still on the hunt for three points

At the moment things in Atlantic Canada are quiet show wise, our last shows of the season were held in Moncton, NB, November 13, 14 & 15 happily, there were three Airedales entered in one of the largest Terrier entries of the season. Our first kick off show of 2016 will be in Halifax, February 26, 27 & 28, with luck we'll not have a Nor'easter as happened last year. Speaking of the Moncton shows it was 4 month old Tilly (Trace's puppy) who saved the day for Hollytrov by going "Best Baby Puppy In Group" after Lexus was thoroughly trounced by not one, but two Regalridge Airedales.

Again this year my friend Veronique Lefevre (RZenith) and I were fortunate enough to attend our National Specialty in Kitchener, Veronique showed her handsome boy, Apollon (Trace's brother) while Susan Lucas showed Lyric. It is a

joy to see more than two or three Airedales in the ring, not to mention meeting so many of you. Congratulations to Jim and Dawn Tufts on Logan's (GChEX Regalridge Sound Investment) Best of Breed, Best Canadian Bred in Breed, and Best Bred By Exhibitor in Breed from the Veteran Class, no mean feat that!

On June 27 Hollytrov was blessed with ten bouncing babies (2M 8F) mother, Trace (Ch RZenith's Hollytrov Dragon Fly), proud dad, Gabe (Ch Regalridge Renaissance Man), hopefully, three will make it to the rings during the coming year.

Scout (Hollytrov's Harper Lee) is getting set to enter the Obedience ring in 2016 with her owner Kris Trotter who has been fine tuning her abilities over the past few months, always a joy to see dales in Obedience classes, sadly, they are few and far between here in the Maritimes.

Wishing you and your dales a happy holiday.

Carole
Hollytrov Reg'd
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Lyric (Ch On Ariel's Wings At Hollytrov) with owner Susan Lucas, Saint John, NB who learned to groom and handle Lyric to her championship.

Indus in 2015

New Champion

***Can Ch. Indus Archer OFA
Excellent*** BD Sept 8, 2012

Sire: Ch Cast Iron War Horse
(USA)

Dam :Can USA Ch. Terrydale
HK Mary Quite Contrary
(USA)



New Champion

***Can Ch Indus I Wish I had
a Bentley***

Sire: Indus Mykonos

Dam: Indus Saanich Spree





At Indus Kennels:

***Can Ch Once Uppon A time of
Happy Tails 1988 RO (ROM)***

Sire: BIS, Multi BISS Can USA
Ch. Indus Just Mad About Harry

Dam: Janis Joplin of Happytails
1988 RO



From Fisher and Holly Troy



Happy
New Year

From Chillie (Shawndee Cast Iron Wild
Child) and Shawndee

The Wild Child can't hold her Antlers!!,
She says, "Oops, they slipped!"



Faye Urran Photograph