



AIRE-ING the NEWS

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TO THE BEACH

Carmel Beach - September 19, 2009

*by Bluacre Maximillian Johnson aka "Max"
Parents - Marilyn & Cleon Johnson*

Saturday morning dawned cool and misty. Mom said let's go to the beach! This was nothing unusual since we had been at the beach all week - however she didn't mention we were going to THE CARMEL BEACH or who we'd find there!!!

Mom, Dad and I piled into the car and headed down the road to Carmel. As soon as we parked I knew something was up - I spotted another Airedale - it was Jazz with Chris Hyde. No sooner had we said hello, there was Pete with Sarah Roberts accompanied by Helen Piperis. We headed towards the beach and WOW we found more Airedales - Bella with Jeri Kimmel; Bonnie with Jan & Chuck Hustedt; Timmy with Penny & Michael Gowring; Eddie with Junko & Austin Kostki; Guinness with Joe Roesser. Everyone did meet'n'greet (otherwise known as the sniff test) and then off we went! I know I missed a few sniff tests, so was unable to identify every dog that attended - please accept my sincere apologies - it was not intentional!

After much romping, playing, running and more of that good stuff we finally said ENOUGH and adjourned for lunch at The Forge in the Forest. A very good choice. While our parents caught up news, etc. we were re-energized with bowls of water, lots of treats and whatever food we could con our parents into handing over.

All in all it was a great outing and every dog needs to raise their paws with a load of thanks to Sarah Roberts for organizing it. THANKS SARAH!

Look forward to seeing everyone on October 31, 2009 at Lake Natoma, Folsom Lake Recreation Area.

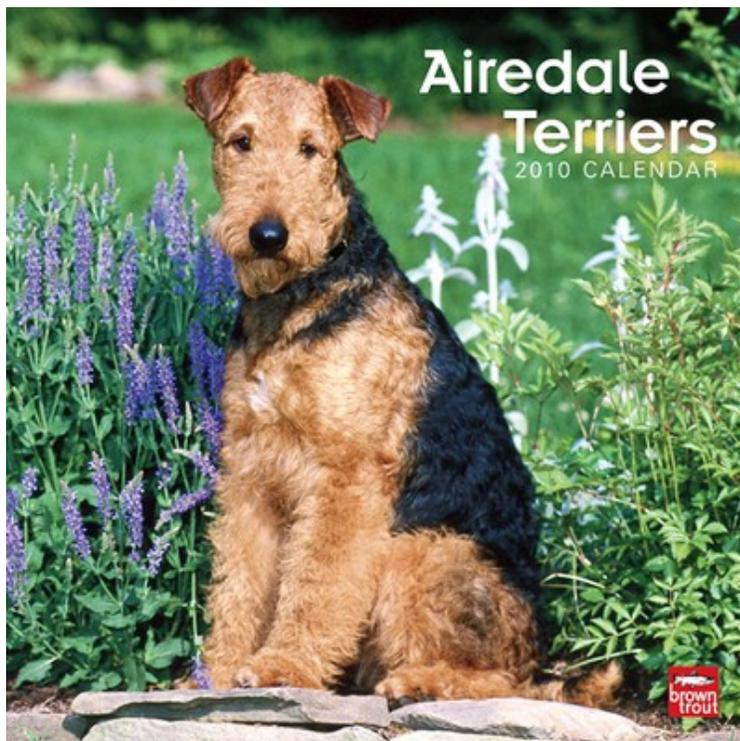
See page 3 for more pictures

Upcoming Events

*General Meeting
at
Cattlemen's Restaurant
See page 15 for details*

*Fall Airedale Walk
10/31*





CATC is currently selling 2010 Browntrout Airedale calendars. These calendars make great gifts for dog groomers, pet sitters, vets, fellow Airedale lovers, and family. Advertise your Airedale ownership at work and start new conversations! Calendars cost \$15 retail; CATC sells them for the bargain price of \$10. Do your holiday shopping and support CATC activities. Reserve yours today by emailing rpyle@razzolink.com. Calendars will be available at fall CATC activities until sold.

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Send your submissions to Kris at: airebt@yahoo.com

Calling all Pooper Scoopers!!!!

CATC has an opportunity to earn \$1,200 for our club by doing something we all do every day, for free!!!!

We need at least 5 to 6 people per day to be the clean-up crew at the San Joaquin Kennel Club's annual dog show. The shows are held at the San Joaquin County Fair Grounds in Stockton, Ca on Sunday, November 22 and Monday, November 23, 2009.

Let me know if you can help. The more the merrier.

Contact Deirdre Hernandez at
209-470-2904
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Health, Science and Your Airedale

Caring for our Older Airedales

By Sanmantha Curran

It happens much too quickly: that frisky, romping puppy has grown and matured into a calm and cherished "senior citizen." Where have the years gone? We all want our dogs to enjoy the highest quality of life for the longest possible time.

It's important to realize that our senior Airedales have different needs and sometimes different behaviors and health challenges.

This article will consider the nutritional needs and veterinary care of our older Airedales. The next article will discuss in depth behavioral changes and common diseases of older dogs.

When and how a dog ages depends a great deal on genetic and environmental influences. Most vets and breeders consider a 9 to 10-year-old Airedale a "senior citizen."

Nutrition can make a significant difference in our dogs' health and how they age. Feeding a high quality, premium food throughout his life will help a dog age well. There is no need to feed a lower protein diet to older dogs, unless the veterinarian has determined with appropriate testing that the dog has kidney disease or other health problems. Most breeders continue to feed their senior dogs a premium adult dog food with a protein content of 22-26%.

Just like humans, dogs tend to lose body mass as they age. High-quality animal protein, such as chicken or lamb, can provide the essential amino acids your dog needs to maintain muscle and healthy tissues. Older dogs have the same nutritional needs as their younger friends, but the quantity fed may need to be adjusted for decreased activity. It is better to feed protein that dogs efficiently convert into energy as well as muscle, than to feed carbohydrates that are more likely to be converted to fat.



Obesity is now a major problem in dogs of all ages. It's important to keep your older friend trim and healthy as he ages to reduce the onset of arthritis and joint problems. Pancreatitis is a serious and common illness caused by too much fat in the diet. Vets now recommend dry foods with 7-12% fat content, and canned foods with 5-8% fat content. **Feeding twice a day** may keep your dog from becoming too hungry and will be easier on older digestive systems.

In addition to feeding a food with adequate protein and lower fat content, look for a food that has moderately fermentable fiber such as dried beet pulp. The food should also contain antioxidants, such as Vitamins E, C and A, beta-carotene, and essential vitamins and minerals. Unless your vet has identified a vitamin deficiency, a good, premium food should supply all the vitamins and minerals your dog needs. Some vets may recommend a senior vitamin/mineral supplement such as Platinum Performance Plus.

It's also a good idea to add some fresh foods to the diet, such as cooked eggs, cooked salmon or mackerel and dairy products, such as yogurt and cottage cheese. Cooked eggs are one of the most easily digestible proteins. It's a good idea to include fish oil supplements, such as Grizzly Salmon Oil or Derm Caps, for Omega-3 Fatty Acids that promote heart health and immunity.

Many breeders supplement their senior dogs' diets with glucosamine/chondroitin products such as Glyco-Flex or Cosequin. These nutraceuticals promote healthy joint function in many individuals. Some breeders have noticed marked improvement in their senior dogs' activities and ease of movement after using glucosamine supplements for several weeks.

In addition to healthy feeding and weight management, it's important that your senior have **routine veterinary check-ups**. A yearly or bi-yearly vet visit should include **comprehensive blood panels and urinalysis**. Routine blood screening will reveal conditions like diminished liver or kidney function long before you see any visible signs of decreased function. Blood counts may indicate a possible infection or anemia. Urinalysis may indicate incipient diabetes, kidney problems or urinary tract infections. Regular check-ups provide **early detection and successful early treatments** of possible disease.

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Make sure your dog is **vaccinated not more than every three years**, as recommended by veterinary associations. Some breeders do not vaccinate their seniors if the dog stays mostly at home and is not exposed to doggy venues. Of course, most states require mandatory 3-year Rabies vaccinations for licensing. The Rabies Challenge Study is gathering evidence to support extending the immunity provided by the Rabies vaccination so that vaccinations can be less frequent.

Dental care is important throughout your dog's life, and especially important as your dog ages. Brush your dog's teeth daily or at least weekly, and have dental cleaning as your vet recommends. It's important to have **pre-anesthetic blood screening** to ensure your dog's safety under anesthesia during the cleaning process. The newer anesthetics like propofol and sevoflurane are safer and help the dog wake up faster. Check with your vet about the safety of the anesthetics he/she uses before any surgical procedures, and the monitoring and IV fluid support used during surgery.

Arthritis is a fact of life for most human and canine athletes as they age. If you notice your dog having more difficulty getting up, stiffness or even limping, have your dog examined by your vet to rule out injury or skeletal issues. Your vet may prescribe glucosamine/chondroitin supplements or daily pain medication to keep your dog comfortable. A well-padded dog bed or an orthopedic bed will provide comfort to stiff, aching joints. Raised cots are another good option for older dogs.

Exercising Mind and Body

While your senior dog may not tolerate a vigorous hike, he should still get **regular exercise**. A gentle walk will help keep his muscles toned, and the sights and smells will keep his brain stimulated and engaged in the world around him.

Old dogs CAN learn new tricks, and will enjoy **brief training sessions**. Many older dogs enjoy attending obedience classes again, especially the social fun of the classes. Even deaf dogs can learn and respond to hand signals, and most dogs respond more quickly to hand signals than to voice commands.

A great activity for older dogs (and their aging owners) is Musical Canine Freestyle that is hugely popular in the UK and is becoming popular in the US. Handlers and dogs perform choreographed gentle routines to music. These routines are great mind "exercisers" for senior dogs and handlers,

too. Those of you who were privileged to participate in Dorothy Miner's wonderful "Aire Extraordinaire" Drill Team remember what fun dogs and handlers had performing Dorothy's routines to rousing music. We had to think and concentrate to remember the choreography of each routine.

Your senior Airedale will love a **weekly massage**. Gently rub and smooth your fingertips over his coat, run your hands down his legs and ears, neck, chest and belly. Your dog will love it, and it will give you the opportunity to check for any lumps and even embedded ticks. As they age, dogs can develop fatty lumps called lipomas that are benign fat bodies. These lipomas can be pea-sized to golf ball-sized. Warts and growths called skin tags are also common. Your vet should check any wart or lump you find.

Frequent brushing is also a good idea, as is **frequent grooming**. Keep the grooming sessions short, as your senior dog will tire standing for long periods on the grooming table.

Keep your senior dog's **nails short**. Keeping his nails trimmed will prevent the toes from getting splayed or twisted, and will prevent split or broken-off toenails. Short nails will also give your dog better traction on flooring. It's a good idea to avoid slick flooring for dogs of any age. If your senior dog has trouble negotiating any flooring, non-skid dog boots and socks are available at pet stores and through pet catalogs.

Be diligent in **controlling fleas and ticks**, and make sure your dog's environment is kept clean.

As dogs age, they may need **more frequent potty breaks**. It's important to allow your seniors increased opportunities to go outside. Older dogs may leak urine while they sleep. This is especially common in older females, and it's a good idea to check with the vet to rule out urinary tract infection. Your vet can prescribe a medication that helps with bladder control.

Make the effort to keep your old friend as fully engaged in life as possible, interacting with family and friends and the world around him. His time with us is far too short, and it's important to keep him interested, active, comfortable, happy and loved!

Training and Behavior

Canine Kangaroos

by Dorothy Miner

More than half of our Puppy Kindergarten, Beginners, and Canine Good Citizen training students list jumping up as one of the main problems they are having with their dogs. It can be anything from the incessant jumping and clambering for attention that young puppies do all the way to those energetic catapults that can send Great Aunt Tillie flying backwards. Our Airedales are no slouches in the jumping department.



It's easy to say that the best way to remedy this problem behavior is to never let it start in the first place. The trouble with this is that most of us find puppies irresistible and let them get away with climbing up against our legs so we can pet them. That sets the stage for what can be a lifetime of dirty pawprints on our clothing and runners in our nylons.

One safe way to discourage a young pup or dog from jumping is to leash him, with the leash attached to his buckle collar. (Don't attach the leash to a slip or prong collar.) Stand on the leash, allowing enough slack for the dog to move around, sit or lie down. There should be enough leash slack that he can begin to jump up, but not so much as to let him actually land on you. When he attempts to jump up, he will be caught short and won't be able to finish the action. When he lands back in the "four on the floor" or sitting position, praise him calmly. This method can be used on dogs that jump on you as well as dogs who jump on visitors when they come in the door or yard. It is especially useful for those dogs that aren't satisfied with a couple of initial launches but go in for repeated attacks. The dog doesn't necessarily associate you with the correction - you didn't say anything or yank on the leash - so he may find that because each initiation of the launch sequence gets stopped abruptly it just may not be a good way to greet a human.

Redirecting the jumping behavior can also be successful. If your dog has a toy or ball that he's nuts over, bring it to the door with you when company arrives. Toss the toy or ball a short distance for your dog just before opening the door. Then the activity becomes a game of fetch or carry rather than a game of Flatten-the-Guest. A stash of special toys can be kept at the opposite side of the door from the dog so that you can grab one and toss it as you walk in from the garage or exterior door.

Trainers often advocate turning away from a jumping dog, especially if you are next to a wall. Ignore the

dog completely - don't reprimand him and don't greet him. If he is denied any attention until he's on the floor sitting or standing a bit more calmly, he may catch on that these are the only positions acceptable for greeting. This will not work with all dogs, but it's certainly worth a try.

A more physical correction method is to allow the dog to jump up on you. As soon as he's up, grab his front paws with your hands and apply a bit of pressure. (Not enough to break his toes - the pressure should be similar to a firm handshake.) Pretend to ignore the dog, don't say a word to him, and don't look at him. When he struggles to get down after a few seconds, let him down abruptly. Don't greet the dog until he is either sitting or standing politely. Then praise him and greet him calmly.

The dog can also be corrected with the leash and collar when the problem is jumping up on visitors or anybody other than ourselves. The collar correction should be swift and preferably sideways - just as the dog launches - and should be combined with a command word such as "Off!"

The old "knee in the chest" routine is still used by some. The problem with this method is that the timing must be perfect and the behavior happens so quickly that perfect timing is next to impossible.

Consistency is as important in this training activity as it is in any other. Allowing the dog to jump up some times and not others will confuse him. Keep a spare leash by the door so that you can enforce the no jumping rule whenever guests arrive until he has learned the preferred greeting behavior. It can be helpful to set the dog up for a lesson by inviting a friend or fellow trainer to visit at an appointed time so you will have an opportunity to work on the problem at a time that is convenient. Another example of inconsistency is giving command words that conflict with other commands. The prime example is using the command "Down!" or "Get Down!" when a dog jumps up, and then using the same "Down" command when we want the dog to lie down. I advise my students that if they are already using "Down" to mean "get off me" or "get off the couch" that it may be easier to teach the "lie down" behavior using a different word.

So what do we do when we absolutely can't resist having the dog jump up or stand up against us on occasion? It can be taught as a commanded behavior. We can teach a signal such as patting our chest and a command word such as "Come on up" when the dog is going to be permitted to come up. If the dog hasn't seen the signal or heard the command, he must stay on the ground.

Best of luck in keeping your canine kangaroo on the ground!

Scramblaires

by Linda Botts

This word puzzle is similar to the "Jumbles" found in many newspapers. You unscramble the words, then using the highlighted letter(s), you solve the puzzle. All the words and the solution should be familiar to readers of this news-letter. All the scrambled words, and the solution, include the letters D, O and G, but not necessarily in that order. None of the words or the solution is canine-related. Since we don't have a cute cartoon as a clue, a word clue for each clue and solution solution is provided.

Clues:

O D W D G O

_____ Beautiful in bloom

A G D O

_____ Urge to action/prod

G R O C E D

_____ Eccentric old man

U R D O G E

_____ Applied cheek color

D E G R O

_____ Injured in bullfight

Solution: Elderly woman of status

Answers are on page 12

Golden Gate Kennel Club Benched Show

This is a reminder to get your entries in for this show.. If you have a retired champion or performance titled dog that would be a good ambassador for our breed get your entry in. The dogs do not need to be in show trim. In fact, it's good for the public to be able to see the dogs as they would look if they had one as a pet. We also need pictures from all stages of development: Pregnancy, puppy, young adult, mature adult and seniors. There is such a negative portrayal of us that we need to put the truth out there and this is too good of a venue to let it be wasted.

If you have a dog to enter you can do it at info-dog.com or send it to the superintendent MB-F. The show dates are Saturday, January 30 and 31, 2010 in Daly City. Entries close 12/09/2009. You can enter one day or both days, whichever you prefer. If you have pictures for the bench you can send them to me, Deirdre Hernandez, by email or mail, I'm in the roster.



Every day is a happy Airedale Day!

Birth Defect Survey

Submitted by Patty Gregg

Hello and thank you for investing the time to complete this Birth Defects survey!

Birth defects are believed to result from interactions between genes and environment. Some of the common birth defects that occur in dogs include:

- ▶ **Umbilical hernia** – a defect in the body wall that could allow the intestine to become entrapped. The hernia is normally covered with skin. However, there are severe birth defects where the intestines and other internal organs have come through the defect and are actually on the outside.
- ▶ **Cryptorchidism** – retention of one or both testicles inside the body instead of the scrotum. This is a common congenital problem seen in male dogs which makes them ineligible to show. Castration is recommended for these dogs in order to prevent tumors in the retained testicles.
- ▶ **Cleft palate** – is a hole or cleft in the hard palate (roof of the mouth). It can sometimes also include a lip cleft. .

These three birth defects are of concern to breeders since it is recommended that affected animals be euthanized (cleft palate) or not bred (cryptorchidism

or umbilical hernia). In breeds predisposed to one or more of these birth defects, a genetic basis is probable. Genetic analysis should identify the genes involved and enable breeders to select against these defects.

Researchers in the Bannasch Laboratory at the School of Veterinary Medicine, University of California -Davis are undertaking a research project to identify genes and environmental factors that predispose puppies to these birth defects. Your contributed information and samples will allow us to proceed with this research project.

The information we are seeking is from both healthy litters and litters affected with one of the birth defects listed above. Please fill out a survey for every litter born over the past year.

Please note that you will need the litter registration information and an ability to print in order to complete the survey.

If you are willing or interested in contributing samples to the study, contact information will be found at the end of the survey.

<http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.aspx?sm=SkNI0R40cJxUmyK4GHIW0yWlrxiGzdYpUMzQo0XpRZY%3d#q1>

While he has not, in my hearing, spoken the English language, he makes it perfectly plain that he understands it. And he uses his ears, tail, eyebrows, various rumbles and grunts, the slant of his great cold nose or a succession of heartrending sighs to get his meaning across.

Jean Little

Bookshelf

The Dog Who Wouldn't Be

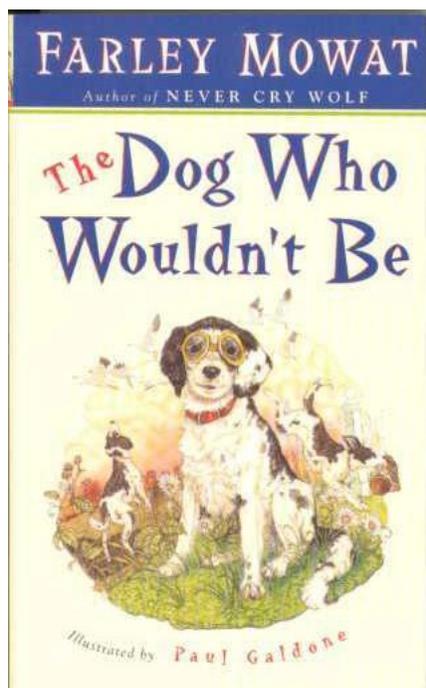
By Farley Mowat

O.K. readers! I thought it would be fun to go back and read the "classics" of dog literature. So I started with *The Dog Who Wouldn't Be*, a wonderful "boy meets dog meets owl" story by Farley Mowat.



The Dog Who Wouldn't Be is Mowat's coming of age story about he and his dog, Mutt, a canine buddy of mixed-parentage, and Super-Dog abilities. The book is set in Saskatoon on the Canadian prairies in the 1930s, an era when dogs and boys roamed leashless and unsupervised. You will shake your head in wonder at how much things have changed since the 30s. To wit, Mowat's mother buys the pup Mutt for 4 cents from a little boy selling ducks door-to-door.

This would be a marvelous book to read aloud to children and/or adults! It is "laugh out loud" funny and the prose is dry, witty, and succinct. And in my opinion, reading aloud is a tradition that should be revived; particularly in these times of electronic social networking.



Everyone will delight at Mutt's ladder climbing, fence walking, and tree climbing. Mutt actually learns to ride in the family car's rumble seat wearing goggles! Read about Mutt's adventures as a mallard hunter, a sailor, and a friend to skunks. I guarantee you will smile and feel warm and fuzzy all over!

Kitchen Cabinet

Peanut Butter Pumpkin Treats

Mix together well:

1 cup CREAMY Peanut Butter (do not use crunchy)
1 cup Pure Pumpkin (not pumpkin pie filling)
1 egg
1/4 tsp garlic powder
1/2 cup molasses syrup

Add:

2 cups flour (1/2 cup at a time and mix in well)

Batter will be thick.

Grease 9X13 baking pan

Pour in batter and spread around the pan evenly (I used my hands)

Bake for 30 minutes

Cool completely and then cut into small squares

Keep in the Freezer as the treats will only last about 2 days in the refrigerator.



CATC Fun Day 2009

by Devon Allen

A Fun Day it was, indeed! Chair Carol Kubiak and co-chair Sarah Roberts did one heck of a good job making the CATC Fun Day truly fun! Fun Day was held at Newhall Park in Newark. The weather was perfect and the turn out of Airedalers and their dogs was fantastic. Airedalers were greeted by Virginia Latham-Smith at the registration table and were given goodie bags upon registering for the day. And what a deal! Five dollars covered all the events for the day! Sonja Gavett manned the Tee Shirt table and did a great job peddling the shirts, which she designed with a hundredth anniversary theme.

The activities began a tad late – okay a lot late, but for good reason: everyone was having such a good time socializing no one seemed to be paying attention to the time. The first event was a nice walk around the park's perimeter led by Chris Hyde and Jazz and bringing up the rear was Ron Jones in the roll of poop bag dispenser. Ron evoked waves of chuckles from the walkers as he pulled poop bag after poop bag out of his cargo shorts so we could clean up after our dogs. Once the walkers returned back to our corner of the park the games began.

The first event was the obstacle course. The obstacle course contained five separate obstacles for the Airedales and handlers to navigate. The first was walking across large bubbled bubble wrap. Not one dog seemed to have issues walking upon the bubble wrap, but several dogs bolted off the wrap with expressions that varied from utter disdain to sheer surprise as the bubbles popped under their weight. Next was the "Ring of Fire" complete with yellow and orange crepe paper streamers strung on a hula hoop fastened between two tiki torches burning brightly with the same colored crepe paper. My dog, Jackson, was having none of this hoop and fire nonsense until I enticed him through by going first. Third was the tunnel. The tunnel seemed to speak to the working terrier in our Airedales. I can't remember a single Airedale that didn't enter and crawl the length of the tunnel after a bit of persuasion. Weave poles were next and I'm not sure if the weave poles gave more trouble to the handlers or the dogs. I have a feeling most of our dogs were thinking, "So how are you going to get me to do this one?" with that mischievous little twinkling eye we all know so well. The final obstacle was the water obstacle through which the dogs were to wade avoiding the dangerous bathtub sized floating alligators and swamp things. Let's just say that some dogs went right on through the water and others proved

that Airedales are excellent high jumpers! One Airedale jumped so high and far that she prompted whoops and applause from the onlookers.

The games that followed certainly were not as elaborate at the obstacle course, but were nevertheless equally enjoyed by all. Airedales and their handlers participated in The Cookie Recall, The Hot Dog Toss, Best Ears, Best Tail Wagger and Musical Sit. (A Bobbing for Hot Dogs event had been planned, but alas, the hot dogs did not float and the game was cancelled.) After the events were over all participating dogs were treated to plush squeaky toys, so everyone got a "prize".

Following the games we all lined up for a wonderful pot-luck picnic lunch buffet. The picnic table practically overflowed with gorgeous food. The table was decked out with fried chicken, hot wings, sandwiches, Helen Piperis's tasty homemade ribs, cabbage salads, shrimp salad, anti pasta salad, chips, dips, cookies, brownies and a raspberry filled white cake topped with cream cheese icing and shaved white chocolate! Apparently, this was the first time in years that a CATC potluck wasn't dessert heavy.

After lunch people began to pack up and leave and Fun Day was over.

The best part of the day for me was seeing the children with the dogs. There were so many children in attendance and they were all so enthusiastic about the Airedales, especially Helen's two little puppy girls. Maggie's two boys worked with her during the games and the mutual admiration between the puppy and her boys was apparent to everyone. I had the good fortune to chat with Vonnie's visiting "grandson". He was so curious about the dogs and asked me many questions about Airedales and paid Jackson a great compliment by asking if Jackson was Vonnie's brother because Jackson seemed like such a nice dog – just like Vonnie. I hope we find ways to encourage these young people to stay active in dogs. They are the future of our breed.

*A man may smile and bid you hail
Yet wish you to the devil;
But when a good dog wags his tail,
You know he's on the level.
~ Author Unknown*

The Rabies Challenge Fund Charitable Trust

Support Urgently Needed for the Rabies Challenge Fund Charitable Trust

The Rabies Challenge Fund Charitable Trust is dependent upon gifts from kennel and breed clubs to meet funding so that their research study, which began in December 2007, can continue. As you probably know, they are trying to raise money to fund a 5 and 7 year rabies challenge trial study in the United States.

Contributions to date have come from kennel clubs and private individuals. The Challenge Fund is a federally registered 501(c)(3) charitable organization [Fed. EIN # 84-6390682]. The organization's costs to begin the third year of the study are \$175,000; to date they have raised almost \$55,000 for this third year. The third year cannot begin without 80% of the total funding for the year in hand.

The research project is addressing the duration of immunity conveyed by rabies vaccine with the goal of extending the required interval for rabies boosters to 5 and 7 years. It is performed by Dr. Ronald Schultz, Chairman of Pathobiology at the University of Wisconsin School of Veterinary Medicine.

The University of Wisconsin has donated all of the necessary overhead costs for these studies, which normally amount to 48% of the direct research costs. Furthermore, Dr. Schultz, the Principal Investigator, has volunteered his time in conducting the research. The staff at Hemopet are donating their efforts as well. The only monies used from the pre-grant funds were IRS fees associated with applying for non-profit status. All other monies donated to The Rabies Challenge Fund Charitable Trust will go directly to funding these studies.

The Rabies Challenge Fund needs to raise \$175,000 per year for Years 3-5 of the study. Costs for Years 6-7 are \$150,000 per year.

Donations can be sent directly to the fund. To use a credit card, call Hemopet in California: 714-891-2022, ext. 13 (specify donation is for The Rabies Challenge Fund); or make checks payable to the Rabies Challenge Fund Charitable Trust and send to:

The Rabies Challenge Fund
c/o Hemopet
11330 Markon Drive
Garden Grove, CA 92841

714-891-2022; Fax 714-891-2123
www.RabiesChallengeFund.org
hemopet@hotmail.com

Editor's note: The ATCA Health Committee is requesting another donation from the ATCA for the Rabies Challenge Fund, having already donated \$500.00. Studies have shown (anecdotal evidence only) that terriers are particularly susceptible to overstimulation of the immune system which can lead to fatal autoimmune diseases like hemolytic anemia, thrombocytopenia, forms of arthritis, etc. Repeated vaccinations do overstimulate the immune system, and have been implicated in these diseases.

Club News

President's Message

AB1200 was thankfully vetoed by our Governor. He was very logical in his veto, stating:

"This measure would make it a crime for any person or entity to own or control more than 50 unsterilized adult dogs or cats for breeding or raising for sale as pets. I support measures designed to prevent animal cruelty and that punish persons engaged in the abuse of animals. However, this measure simply goes too far in an attempt to address the serious problem of puppy mills. An arbitrary cap on the number of animals any entity can possess throughout the state will not end unlawful, inhumane breeding practices. Instead this measure has the potential to criminalize the lawful activities of reputable breeders, pet stores, kennels, and charitable organizations engaged in raising service and assistance dogs. For these reasons, I am unable to sign this bill. Sincerely, Arnold Schwarzenegger"



Our thanks go out to our Governor!

Mike Gowring is organizing our next Airedale Walk on October 31st. I plan to attend; hope to see lots of you and your Airedales there!

Eukanuba is December 12th and 13th at the Long Beach Convention Center in Long Beach. This year is a celebration of AKC's 125th birthday. The show is not an invitational as in previous years.

Our next meeting is December 5th at Cattlemen's restaurant in Livermore. This is our last meeting of the year. Please make plans to attend.

Thank you to all who have submitted articles and pictures to Kris for our newsletter. It truly makes a beautiful and fun news!

Scrambleaire answers

WORDS: Dogwood, goad, codger, rouged, gored

SOLUTION: Dowager

Obedience News

by Nancy Strohmaier

Virginia Smith and "Jack" earned their first Rally leg with a respectable score of 84 at the San Joaquin Dog Training Club Trial in Galt on September 19, 2009. They were both graduates of the Rally classes sponsored by CATC in February and March. Neither had experience with Rally or obedience competitions previously. In Rally, the stations or exercises are spaced out in close proximity. A new exhibitor can easily get flustered when struggling to get their dog to perform one exercise then suddenly find themselves on top of the next sign. All kinds of things start or stop happening while going through a course. Jack's attention wandered as a butterfly fluttered nearby while Virginia sweat it out before getting Jack back on course. Thankfully, Rally courses are completed in about two minutes. Congratulations to both on your first of three Rally novice legs!



To win without risk is to triumph without glory.
-Cornelle

2010 Classes:

Please contact me if you are interested in Rally or obedience classes: nancy_strohmaier@yahoo.com or (209) 836-4454. Classes will be open to other breeds – please tell your friends and let me know as soon as possible.

The club is considering offering classes in two locations:

Escalon – Bernie's Place

Dates: TBA
Instructor: TBA
Cost: TBA

One or two classes from the list below may be offered, depending on interest level.

Classes: Obedience – puppy
Obedience – beginner
Rally – beginner
Rally advanced

*(Continued from page 12)***Obedience News****Fremont – Fremont Dog Training Club**

Dates: Saturday, Feb. 6, 13 & March 6, 13,
20, 27 afternoon

Instructor: Bea Moore

Cost: \$70 for six week session.

One or two classes from the list below may
be offered, depending on interest level.

Classes: Rally – beginner
Rally - advanced

Where Did Pets Come From?

And Adam said, "Lord, when I was in the garden, you walked with me every day. Now I do not see you anymore. I am lonesome here and it is difficult for me to remember how much you love me."

And God said, "No problem! I will create a companion for you that will be with you forever and who will be a reflection of my love for you, so that you will know I love you, even when you cannot see me. Regardless of how selfish and childish and unlovable you may be, this new companion will accept you as you are and will love you as I do, in spite of yourself."

And God created a new animal to be a companion for Adam. And it was a good animal. And God was pleased.

And the new animal was pleased to be with Adam and he wagged his tail. And Adam said, "But Lord, I have already named all the animals in the Kingdom and all the good names are taken and I cannot think of a name for this new animal."

And God said, "No problem! Because I have created this new animal to be a reflection of my love for you, his name will be a reflection of my own name, and you will call him DOG."

And Dog lived with Adam and was a companion to him and loved him. And Adam was comforted. And God was pleased. And Dog was content and wagged his tail.

After a while, it came to pass that Adam's guardian angel came to the Lord and said, "Lord, Adam has become filled with pride. He struts and preens like a peacock and he believes he is worthy of adoration. Dog has indeed taught him that he is loved, but no one has taught him humility."

And the Lord said, "No problem! I will create for him a companion who will be with him forever and who will see him as he is. The companion will remind him of his limitations, so he will know that he is not worthy of adoration."

And God created CAT to be a companion to Adam. And Cat would not obey Adam.

And when Adam gazed into Cat's eyes, he was reminded that he was not the supreme being.

And Adam learned humility.

And God was pleased. And Adam was greatly improved.

And Cat did not care one way or the other.

Unknown

CALIFORNIA AIREDALE TERRIER CLUB
INVITES YOU TO JOIN US FOR
A FALL AIREDALE WALK



WHEN: Saturday, October 31, 2009
10:00am until whenever you please

WHERE: Lake Natoma, Folsom Lake Recreation Area (\$5 parking fee)

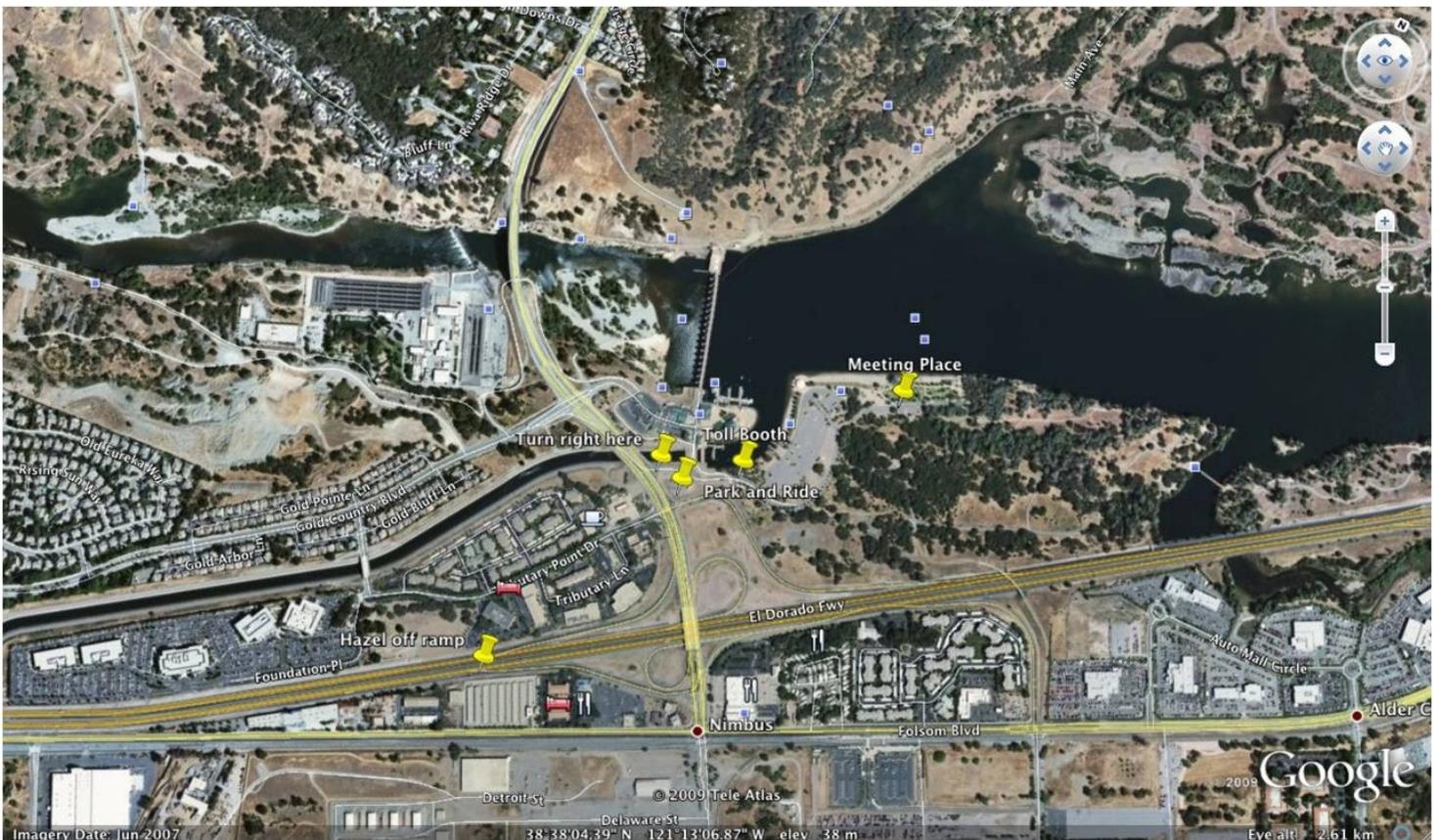
From Hwy. 50 east of Sacramento, take the Hazel Ave. turnoff. Turn left at the stop light over the freeway. Proceed through the next stop-light intersection. Turn right immediately before the bridge to the park-and-ride area and the park. Proceed through the main parking area to the picnic area parking. Meet other 'dales at the picnic area on the right (away from the lake).

There will be two levels of distance, including an off-leash trail.

Local cell contact: 530-305-7416

BYOBB: Bring your own brown bag lunch. When we get tired of walking, those who would like are invited to join us for a picnic.

**ALL BREEDS WELCOME! TELL YOUR FRIENDS!
WE HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!**



California Airedale Terrier Club Incorporated

*Founded 1909 *AKC Member*

**CATC General Meeting and Luncheon
Saturday December 5, 2009
12:00 PM - 1:30 PM**

Cattlemens – Livermore

2882 Kitty Hawk Rd Livermore, CA 94550

Phone: 925-447-1224 Fax: 925-447-1801

Lunch 1:30 PM - 3:30 PM Small Barn

Directions: From the west on hwy 580 take Airway blvd exit, go thru signal and turn right into Cattlemans.....

From the east on 580 take airway blvd exit, turn left at signal onto Kittyhawk and turn right into Cattlemans

Price: \$25.00

Menu

Grilled Pacific Salmon

Terriyake Chicken

Spinach Ravioli with Marinara Sauce

Top Sirloin

Entree's to Include a Baked Potato, All You Can Eat Salad, Sourdough Bread, Ranch Style Beans & Coffee, Tea or Soft Drinks

Send Reservation to:

Ron Colvin

1984 Helsinki Way

Livermore, CA 94550

(925) 447-9237

Reservations due to Ron by Monday November 30, 2009

Reservation Name/s:

Choose and state how many, each meal is \$25.00

_____	\$ _____	Grilled Pacific Salmon
_____	\$ _____	Teriyaki Chicken
_____	\$ _____	Spinach Ravioli with Marinara Sauce
_____	\$ _____	Top Sirloin

of meals _____ \$ _____ Total amount included

CATC Calendar and General Information

Standing Committee Chairs

Airedale Walks	Sarah Roberts Chris Hyde
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ADOA	Karen McElhanev
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Education	Virginia Smith
Fun Day	Sarah Roberts Chris Hyde
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Golden Gate Decor	Deirdre Hernandez Patty Gregg
Historian	Nancy Bridge
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Rescue	Virginia Smith
Specialty/Centennial 2009	Deirdre Hernandez
Sunshine Committee	Helen Piperis
Supported Entry, Del Valle	Chaz Frazier
Trim & Train	Lowell Jennings
Trophies	Kristi Burris Devon Allen Deirdre Hernandez
Video Library	Carol Jaech
Ways & Means	Lowell Jennings

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2009 CATC Meetings, All Airedalers Invited

February 14, 2009	Cattlemen's Restaurant, Livermore
June 27, 2009	Home of Devon Allen
September 26, 2009	Home of Nancy Dirgo and Marguerite Stetson
December 5, 2009	Cattlemen's Restaurant, Livermore

Board Meetings 2009

January 3	August 15
March 14	November 7

CATC Activities 2009

Trim and Train	3/14 and 28; 4/4 and 25; 5/9 and 23
Rally Classes	2/ 21, 28; 3/7, 14, 21, 28
Ring Steward Clinic	3/7
Sanctioned Match	5/30
Fun Day	None scheduled
Walks	3/15, 5/2, 9/19, 10/31
<u>2009 Spring Specialty Week</u>	<u>4/7—4/11</u>
Amelia Greggins Memorial	4/7
Wine Tour	4/8
NCTA specialty	4/9
CATC Specialty/Centennial Birthday Celebration	4/10
ATCA National Floating Specialty	4/11

CATC Officers

Patricia Gregg, President
Deidre Hernandez, Vice-President
Ron Colvin, Treasurer
Sarah Roberts, Secretary

CATC Directors

2009: Angie Shear, Kristi Burrus,
Amanda Albers
2010: Chris Hyde, Nancy Strohmaier

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