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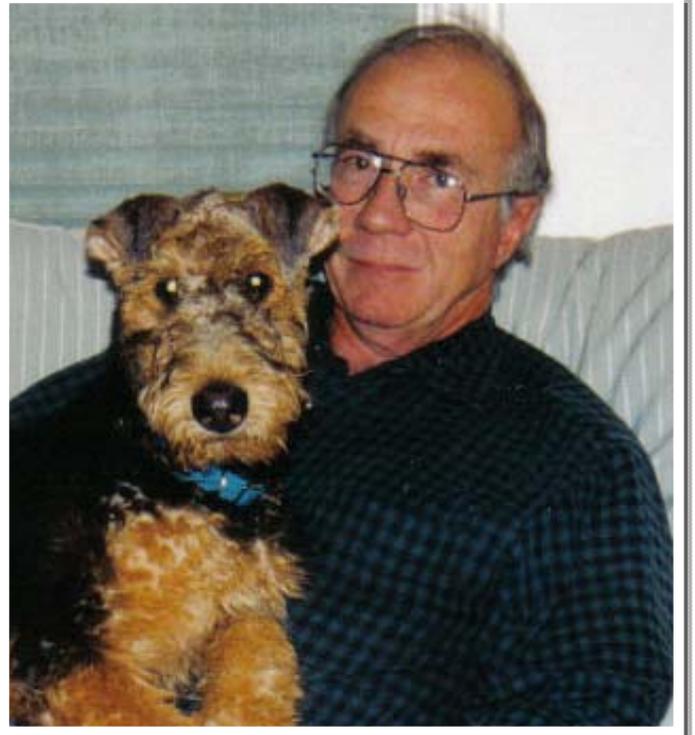
Tom Armstrong  
1941—2008

by Georgia McRae

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We are saddened to report the death of a well loved and long time member of our club, Tom Armstrong. Tom suffered a fatal pulmonary embolism September 22, 2008. Two years earlier he had undergone heart transplant surgery. He is survived by his wife, Lynne, his daughters, Amanda and Meredith and two grandchildren, as well as his and Lynne's two Airedales and Amanda's one Airedale.

Tom joined our club in 1985 and regularly came to club meetings and shows for many years. His interest in Airedales began with the girl across the street, whose family had an Airedale back in the mid 50's. That Airedale was believed to be sired by a Champion Airedale smuggled in from Germany. That "girl across the street" later became Tom's wife, Lynne, and of course the family dog they chose had to be an Airedale. Through the years they almost always had at least two Airedales along with several cats to keep the dogs busy.



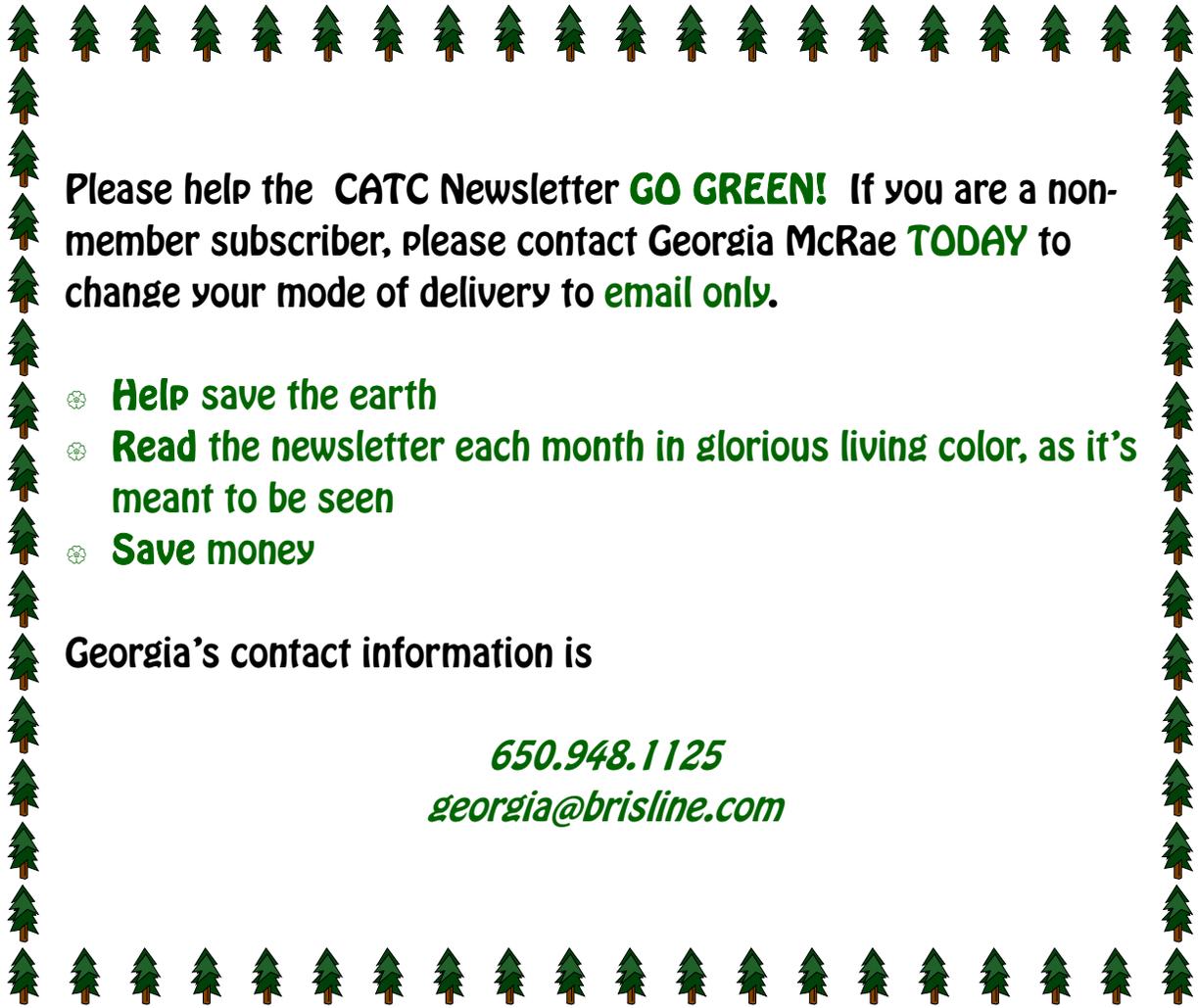
Tom with Lizzy's puppy, Gabby (Brisline's Calendar Girl)

I first met Tom and Lynne and their girls, Amanda and Meredith, in January 1985 when they bought a 4-month-old puppy from me. A few months later Tom brought the puppy, named "Lizzy", back to me for some grooming. When I pulled all the hair off I found a beautifully maturing puppy, and was so excited that I asked Tom if I could co-own with them and show her. He agreed, and thus began a wonderful friendship! As that year went on, Lizzy took Best in our CATC Match, Tom attended his first CATC meeting, he was voted into membership, and thus began Tom's enthusiastic involvement with our club. That same year Lizzy took the 4-point major at the CATC Specialty and followed that up with 5-point majors at both Devon and Montgomery at just 1 year of age! Tom's excitement and interest in dog shows and club activities was then well established. Tom and Lynne had two litters from Lizzy, producing 3

## Upcoming Events

Ring Steward Clinic  
3/14  
Trim and Train  
3/15  
Winter Urban Walk  
4/7—12  
Specialty Week

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*Dogs don't know about beginnings, and they don't speculate on matters that occurred before their time. Dogs also don't know — or at least don't accept — the concept of death. With no concept of beginnings or endings dogs probably don't know that for people having a dog as a life companion provides a streak of light between two eternities of darkness.*

*Stanley Coren*

## It's a Small World After All (Apologies to Walt Disney)

by Linda Botts

It has become amazingly clear to me how much in the world of showing dogs is a puzzle to those who've never stepped into it. For years, I've talked about writing a murder mystery set in the world of dog shows. Last spring I attended a one-day seminar called "Is There A Book in You?" I decided there might be – a book in me, that is – started writing, and then signed up for a Wednesday afternoon writers' workshop, which is moderated by the woman who had led the initial seminar. Except for a month off in August, I'm a regular attendee. (By the way, no one I know serves as a "model" for any of the characters, although the main character does live in Petaluma and some scenes are set in dog show venues familiar to me. I also had to move around the dates for a few "standard" show weekends, e.g. Great Western, to fit my story.)

In the workshop we read from our current writing and then comment on each others' work. The others who attend, including the moderator, are for the most part well-informed women in their mid-forties; none has ever attended a dog show nor has that world been of interest to any of them personally. A few had seen the hilarious movie "Best in Show" or bits on TV from the Westminster and Eukanuba shows. The workshop atmosphere is positive and we get along well as "ordinary" people but we're very frank with each other if we don't understand something or have questions.

It was clear from "day one" that I had internalized the language and culture (and to be honest, the "politics") of the world of showing dogs to the point that some of my writing was unintelligible to a broader audience. After all, I've been trailing along with my husband, Jim, for more than twenty-five years, the first half of the period showing his Airedales and more recently Border Terriers. I chose Petaluma as a setting because I'm terrible at describing places I've never been and one of my characters has a career in market research, another world I existed in for years, but turning all I'd seen and felt into fiction has been challenging. If my book was to be understandable to people who like mysteries in general, I'd have to weave in some "education" in a way that fit with the scene without sounding like a "how-to" from the AKC!

The first question that came to me is still rather

amazing – "what is a dog run?" But when I considered the source, a native New Yorker, the question made sense. As far as I know, Manhattan living units don't involve "dog runs." Later questions were not so naïve, but harder to deal with within a piece of fiction. A short list would include: "Why are females "bitches?" What is a "major" or "special?" How many points do you need? Why does the character get so annoyed about no-shows that 'break a major'? Anticipating and answering such questions within a piece of fiction was daunting and frustrating. But I sucked up my intellectual gut – "Linda, find a way to deal with it" – and kept on revising my story and adding to it. By the way, I'm up to page 99!

One thing that helps, of course, is remembering past shows, and especially friends in the Airedale world. Additionally, having recently become the club's "postmaster" – I send out the e-mails on club matters – brought much to mind – names and mental images that hadn't occurred to me for a long time. Although the postmaster "job" required some major effort learning enough about Excel to manage our

database, it has reminded me of how small our world is, especially with the advent of e-mail. One of our subscribers lives in New Zealand. In another case, I passed along a message about an Australian Airedale breeder, who has served our club in the past as a judge and friend, who survived the raging

Victoria fires. That brought to mind the survival of our club members (Kris Munson and Kimberly Harper) whose homes made it through the Ramona fire outside San Diego a few years ago. Thinking about the past, present and future friendships and activities offered by the world of dogs will enrich the texture of my book by reminding me of little details that would otherwise not have come to mind. For the sense of community in the small dog show world, I am grateful. We'll see how my exposure to it transfers into fiction.

*Editors' note: We think Linda's book sounds really entertaining and can't wait to read it! Linda is open to serializing her book for the CATC newsletter if the readership feels the same as we do. If you would like to see installments of her mystery in the newsletter, simply email us at [airebt@yahoo.com](mailto:airebt@yahoo.com) and put "mystery yes" in the subject line*



## Health, Science and Your Airedale

### Eye Disorders in Airedales

by Samantha Curran

We Airedale owners have not considered heritable eye disorders to be a serious health problem in our breed. The Canine Eye Registration Foundation (CERF) found that 28% of Airedales tested between 1991 and 1999 had heritable eye problems. Those Airedales tested showed Lens Defects (12.72%), Persistent Pupillary Membrane (11%), Distichiasis (7.3%), Retinal Atrophy (3%) and Retinal Dysplasia (2.5%). During that same period 23% of Golden Retrievers tested had heritable eye problems as compared to 10% of Soft-Coated Wheaten, 7% of Kerry Blue Terriers and 25% of Welsh Terriers.



Airedales tested by CERF from 2000-2003 showed an increase in heritable eye problems from 28% to 44.8% with a significant increase in Lens Defects observed. This is a disturbing trend for Airedales.

Here is a brief description of the heritable eye disorders affecting Airedales:

#### Lens Defects (Cataracts):

Lens defects or cataracts often result in decrease in visual acuity and even blindness. CERF categorizes these defects by location and type of structure found in the lens. Depending on severity and location of the lens defect, CERF will advise not breeding affected dogs or will advise "Breeder Option." The only treatment available for cataracts is surgery for a lens replacement.



#### Persistent Pupillary Membrane (PPM):

During embryological development of the eye, the iris initially forms as a solid sheet of mesodermal tissue called the pupillary membrane. As the eye develops this tissue dissipates, resulting in formation of the iris.



If remnants of the pupillary membrane persist after 8 weeks of age, this eye defect is called persistent pupillary membrane (PPM). The most common manifestation of PPM is a fine strand of pigmented tissue that attaches to a spot on the iris. In more

serious cases, the PPM may attach to the lens or the inner corneal surface, resulting in corneal damage, scarring or persistent corneal edema and vision impairment.

Iris-to-iris PPM's are classified by CERF as a "Breeder Option" eye disorder. Airedales with PPM's are classified by CERF as having a "Breeder Option" disorder. Owners of dogs diagnosed with PPM are encouraged not to breed affected dogs or to breed them only to unaffected dogs. The mechanism of inheritance is unknown at this time. In several breeds such as the Basenji, the Chow Chow and the Pembroke Welsh Corgi, PPM-affected dogs have produced blind offspring.

#### Distichiasis:

Distichiasis occurs when eyelashes emerge from a structure in the eyelid (Meibomian gland) that normally does not produce hairs. These "extra" eyelashes or distichia often rub on the eye causing irritation. Signs that a dog may be bothered by distichiasis include redness, squinting, discharge and eye rubbing. Distichiasis may cause corneal ulcers or erosions of the eye. Permanent treatments to remove these hairs include cauterization and cryosurgery procedures done by an ophthalmic veterinarian.



#### Progressive Retinal Atrophy (PRA):

This highly heritable disease causes gradual blindness. Since vision loss is gradual, many owners don't recognize the problem until blindness has progressed to a severe end stage. There is no known treatment for PRA and all forms lead to complete blindness. In the Irish Setter and Norwegian Elkhound, the cause of PRA has been traced to faulty development of the rods and cones of the retina.



#### Retinal Dysplasia:

In dogs affected with Retinal Dysplasia, the normally smooth retinal surface forms tubes; the retinal pigment epithelium may also be defective or atrophied. There is no treatment for this disease that is usually not progressive unless retinal detachment occurs, resulting in complete blindness.



Retinal Dysplasia is inherited as a simple autosomal

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recessive trait, with both parents being heterozygous for the trait. Within an affected litter some pups will show Retinal Dysplasia while others will not; diagnosis can be made at eight weeks of age. All puppies from a litter with even one affected pup should not be bred.

CERF testing is available at many dog shows, and the cost is usually \$20-25. per dog. The entire procedure takes about 20 minutes. The veterinary ophthalmologist will dilate the dog's eyes and wait about 15 minutes for the dilation to take full effect. The veterinarian then examines the eyes with an ophthalmoscope that magnifies the retina and other eye structures. The vet completes the CERF paperwork with normal or abnormal eyes noted.

We, the keepers of the breed, must include in our vision for the breed the ability to maintain vision in our dogs. We have the opportunity to identify potential eye problems early by CERF testing and to stop the progression of these heritable diseases through breeder education and selective breeding.

## Training and Behavior

### Why Do We Do It That Way? and Working With Senior Citizens

by Dorothy Miner

Have you ever wondered why dogs are trained to heel on the left? Why they are taught to sit in front of the handler when called? Have you ever wondered if the exercises you see performed in Obedience Trials ever had any relevance to "real life?"

Heeling on the left side is most practical in most cases and has become traditional. Dogs have been trained to heel on the left even before training became of interest to those outside the military and police dog fraternity. A dog trained to heel on lead on the handler's left leaves the right hand free, and most people are right handed. (Are there times when heeling on the right should be taught instead? By all means, yes.)

The sit in front of the handler after the Recall is also practical and traditional. A dog that sits in front of its handler after coming when called can be seen and will likely stay put long enough for the handler to clip the



leash to its collar. However, even though most obedience classes teach this form of Recall, many retrieving dogs and many service dogs are taught to come directly to heel position when called.

The exercises you see performed in the Obedience Trial ring had practical origins, even though they are highly stylized now. Somewhere along the line trainers decided that the best place for a dog to stay while heeling was in a position where his head lines up with the handler's left leg. If the dog is there, he can be seen out of the corner of the handler's eye. If he's too far ahead, he could interfere with the handler's ability to change direction and may become an invitation to pull or lunge. If he's too far behind he can't be seen without turning around, and he may take the opportunity to do something else besides heel beside the handler. The

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The "Finish" portion of the Recall shows that the dog could be ready in an instant to continue working following a Recall.

stand still for grooming or for physical examination. The "Finish" portion of the Recall shows that the dog could be ready in an instant to continue working following a Recall. The usefulness of the Sit and Down Stays are obvious. Even though the requirements of Obedience Trail ring sometimes bear little resemblance to practical applications, the origins remain the basics of good, attentive work on the part of the dog.

The exercises in the advanced classes, Open and Utility, also have their roots elsewhere. Retrieving and jumping exercises were based on the training needs of hunting or working dogs. Ditto for the Signal and Scent Discrimination exercises. The Stays that are done with the handler out of sight of the dog have obvious usefulness in that they prove a trained dog will Stay when told, even if he can't see his handler. The Drop on Recall shows that a dog's forward movement toward the handler can be stopped quickly if necessary. The Utility Directed Jumping exercise with its send-out and command to turn and sit before being commanded to come back over one jump and then the other has a direct connection to field work. Retrieving dogs are taught to "take a line" and run away from the handler in a direction indicated by the trainer. These dogs are also taught to stop and look at the handler, and then take a new direction if necessary to find a hidden bird. About the only exercise that seems to stretch the original intent beyond my own understanding is the Moving Stand and Examination in the Utility class, but it sure looks cool.

Rally Obedience exercises may seem a little odd to a first-time observer, leaving one wondering why the dog

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and handler are required to do certain things such as 270-degree turns, heeling backwards, and doing side-steps. These exercises have their roots in the exercises competition trainers use to sharpen their dogs' skills, often referred to as "doodling." They were fast and fun, and could really improve a dog's performance and attitude. There is no doubt that the Rally type exercises will hone a dog's working skills, especially since the handler is allowed to be somewhat of a "cheerleader" while working.

**Working with Senior Citizens  
(The handlers, that is.)**

A couple of articles ago I referred to one of our new class offerings, *Dog Training for Seniors*. Our older students want to know how to get reasonable control of their pets in a fashion that is compatible with their physical abilities, primarily that the dogs learn to walk nicely on leash, come when they're called, Stay in one spot when necessary, not to jump up on the owner or others, not to bark too much, and to just behave in a civilized fashion. Our students range from their 50's up into their late 80's and they have specific needs. They may not be able to stand or heel their dogs for long periods. They may not hear well. They may not be able to bend over the dog to teach a position such as the Down. Some may need to sit during most of the session. Most of the students are plagued by arthritis, and many have had spinal fusions or joint replacement surgery and these limitations are taken into consideration when showing how to train the exercises. The Seniors class is taught at a slower pace and since the class size is not as large as the typical beginners classes, everyone gets personal attention. Some exercises can be taught on a table if the handler has trouble bending over. Sit and Down Stays can be taught while the handlers are seated. Dogs are taught to come to their

handlers whether the person is standing or sitting. Smaller dogs can be taught to gently stand up against their handler's legs after coming when called so that clipping a leash on the collar will be easier. Handlers may choose which side they prefer to use for heeling. The dogs are taught to heel with enough distance between them and their owner that they will not become a trip-and-fall hazard. Dogs are taught a practical Stay, which means that the dog may sit or lie down, but may not leave the spot in which they are left. This may seem wrong to experienced obedience trainers, but many of the

The dogs are taught to heel with enough distance between them and their owner that they will not become a trip-and-fall hazard.

Seniors cannot move quickly enough to make good corrections. Allowing a dog to get away with a position change as long as it doesn't leave the spot is a practical solution to the problem. Doorway behavior and greeting behavior are also taught. Just as important, the students have a place to socialize and to brag (or complain) about their beloved pets. This has become a popular class, and it is currently my favorite one.

**Whelping Box**

**Sire:** Italian, Swedish Am Ch Blackjack's Code of Silence (Cody)



**Dam:** Ch Avalon's Bluacre Legacy (Indiana)

**Whelping Date:** 2/17/09

**Litter Size:** 6 boys and 6 girls

**Breeder:** Patricia K Gregg



## Bookshelf

### **Speaking for Spot** **By Dr. Nancy Kay**

By Lynne Madison

I wish this book had been around when I got my first dog!!! It certainly would have cut down on all the panicky phone calls I made to Sara Pekarsky, Caroline Kirkham, and other good buddies.



*Speaking for Spot* is a user-friendly handbook to help pet owners become health care advocates for their dogs. The author, Dr. Nancy Kay, received her degree from Cornell College of Veterinary Medicine and completed her residency training in small animal internal medicine at UC Davis. She is a board certified specialist in the American College of Veterinary Internal Medicine and an owner and staff internist at the Animal Care Center in Rohnert Park.

Dr. Kay's writing is warm and conversational. And the book is easy to use. It's full of lists, charts, graphs, and diagrams. And it is comprehensive. Dr. Kay covers how to choose a vet; important questions to ask a vet and how to ask them; financing your dog's vet care; the vaccination conundrum, euthanasia, cancer, dental care, parasites etc. etc. You may want to preview the book's contents before making a purchasing decision.....check out the web site [www.speakingforspot.com](http://www.speakingforspot.com).

The information in the two Appendices of the book is HANDY! Appendix I is a list of "Common Symptoms and Questions Your Vet Will Ask about Them." And Appendix II is "Common Diseases and Questions You Should Ask Your Vet about Them."

This may not be a book you read cover-to-cover. It is a reference book after all. And it has a great index!!! A great index is vital to this kind of book. And I don't want to leave you thinking that it's a dry, technical book. Au contraire!! The tone is friendly and Dr. Kay is certainly a believer in following your heart and listening to your own intuition when it comes to being your best friend's medical advocate.

This would be terrific book to give to a brand new pet owner (as part of a "puppy kit"), but veteran dog people will also find much to bark about. It's great!

## Kitchen Cabinet

### **Airedale Treats**

#### **Alfie And Archie's Dog Biscuits**

2 1/2 cups whole wheat flour  
1/2 cup dry milk -- powder  
1/2 teaspoon salt  
1 teaspoon brown sugar  
6 tablespoons beef fat 1 egg -- beaten  
1/2 cup ice water

Preheat oven to 350. Lightly oil a cookie sheet. Combine flour, dry milk, salt, and sugar. Cut in meat drippings until mixture resembles corn meal. Mix in egg. Add enough water so that mixture forms a ball. Using your fingers, pat out dough onto cookie sheet to half inch thick. Cut with cookie cutter or knife and remove scraps. Scraps can be formed again and baked.

Bake 25-30 minutes. Remove from tray and cool on rack.

#### **An Apple a Day Dog Treats**

2 cups whole wheat flour  
1/2 cup unbleached flour  
1/2 cup cornmeal  
1 apple -- chopped or grated  
1 egg -- beaten  
1/3 cup vegetable oil  
1 tablespoon brown sugar, packed  
3/8 cup water

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Spray cookie sheet with vegetable oil spray. Lightly dust work surface with flour. Blend flours and cornmeal in large mixing bowl. Add apple, egg, oil, brown sugar and water; mix until well blended.

On floured surface, roll dough out to 7/8-inch thickness. Cut with cookie cutters of desired shape and size. Place treats on prepared sheet.

Bake in preheated oven 35 to 40 minutes. Turn off oven. Leave door closed 1 hour to crisp treats. Remove treats from oven. Store baked treats in airtight container or plastic bag and place in refrigerator or freezer.

Makes 2 to 2 1/2 dozen



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### Tom Armstrong

Champions. That got the Armstrongs involved in even more aspects of raising Airedales.

Besides Airedales, Tom had many more passions in life, including planes, trains, automobiles, and wood working. He often had the newest cars and always knew what was hot. He bought model trains, built model boats, worked with photography, loved classical music, was a rabid A's fan, took flying lessons, got his small aircraft license, and built a small sail boat. He was always proud of his daughters and excited to tell of their achievements, and was always interested to know what was happening in other's lives. Tom had a great sense of humor and got great pleasure in coming up with a pun for every occasion.

Tom was definitely the "hands on" type with everything he did. Not only did that trait make him good at grooming his dogs, but it explains his lifetime career as an independent Ceramic Tile Contractor. Tom loved to help others. The Lapierras and the McRaes were both benefactors of Tom's tile setting expertise, as he tiled a bathroom and the pool house for us and the floors in Karen and Jeff's home. He put his wood working skills to work for our club, building storage/carrying boxes for some of our trophies. The Club is still using them today. They will be at the trophy table in April.

For all of us who knew Tom, it was always fun to see him at a meeting or as a surprise at ringside. What a cute, happy, positive, and fun man! For those who didn't know him, you missed a real gem.

*We'll miss you, Tom.*



*Tom with daughter, Amanda, her husband, Scott, and their baby "George" (Aberdeen's Intercoastal Clavicle)*



*Tom and Gabby playing with their electric train*



*Tom laying tile at Georgia's house in 1986*

# Club News

## President's Message

by Patty Gregg

Spring has sprung and that means our Spring Specialty and Centennial Celebration!! Mark your calendars and please consider joining CATC for this special party. All reservation forms and schedules are on our website at [www.calairedale.org](http://www.calairedale.org).



Everyone, please remember to make your specialty reservations!

Not surprisingly, new anti dog legislation is coming around again in the form of Senate Bill (SB) 250. At a time of financial crisis across California this bill is fiscally irresponsible. Experience has shown that local jurisdictions cannot recoup the costs to administer and enforce mandated pet sterilization laws from penalties and fees alone. To pay for the new bureaucracy, funds are taken from other city and county services, including law enforcement and public safety. We will periodically send out updates or visit the website to see the latest news on this bill.

There is still time for you to join Trim and Train. As you know it is getting more and more difficult to find anyone that is able to put a pet strip on Airedale Terriers. You can learn to do this yourself at CATC's T&T. Our trim and train schedule is set up to coincide with our match in May. Join in the fun and learn to strip your dog. Call Lowell Jennings today to find out more.

Nancy Strohmaier has rally classes up and running smoothly. This is an enjoyable way to participate in rally/obedience with other terrier people. Nancy's email is [nancy\\_strohmaier@yahoo.com](mailto:nancy_strohmaier@yahoo.com), contact her today.

May 2 is a CATC Walk in Del Valle Regional Park. Get out your walking shoes and your Airedale's water bottle and come join us! The flyer for this walk is in this newsletter and on our website.

## Obedience

By Nancy Strohmaier

### Ring Steward Seminar

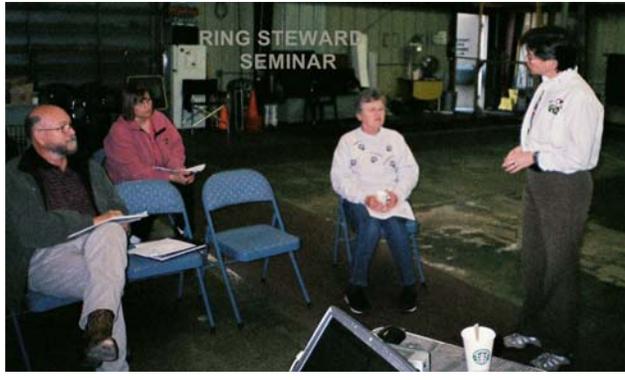
On Saturday, March 7, our club sponsored a Ring Steward Seminar presented by Laura Finco and Bea Moore. Laura is the vice president of the Professional Stewards Association of Northern California ([www.norcalstew.org](http://www.norcalstew.org)) and Bea Moore is a rally/obedience/tracking trainer and rally/obedience judge. Thanks to participants from Bea's classes we were able to hold the seminar. Laura prepared a PowerPoint presentation with handy tips, guidelines and requirements for ring stewarding for conformation, obedience and rally rings. Bea interjected often with suggestions from a judge's perspective. Freshly baked rolls, juice and coffee were served. This seminar meets the AKC club requirements for public education.



### Rally Classes

Rally classes are now in their third week. Most participants have never participated in rally previously but already there have been marked improvements by all. Instructor, Bea Moore ([www.k-9rally.com](http://www.k-9rally.com)) takes the time to explain all the signs, gives tips and gives each team individual attention as they work the course. Although we could use a larger indoor area, each week new signs are incorporated into her course so that by the final class all the rally signs will have been covered. Bea included for each participant, a nice bound rally booklet with a complete explanation for all the signs, course maps for each week plus fun rally puzzles, pens and lapel pins. The class was given information for upcoming matches and an AKC obedience and rally rules and regulation booklet. Everyone seems to be enjoying the class. Joining our Airedales is Anna Ramirez with her German Sheppard. Kudos to Jan and Chuck Hustedt for bringing the Oreo cookies for the class!

See pictures on the following page



▲ Laura Finco (standing), Bea Moore, Bill Strohmaier, Judy Baird (back) and not shown: Susan Phillips, Ann Dahlin, Nancy Strohmaier.



▲ Sarah Roberts & PETE, Nancy Strohmaier & SHIRAZ, Jan Hustedt & VONNIE, Bea Moore, Mike Gowring & TIM and Virginia Smith & JACK.  
Note: several participants absent.



▲ Sarah Roberts and PETE

◀ Virginia Smith and JACK



▲ Virginia Smith & JACK (back most), Anna Ramirez & ESTRELLA (left most), Mike Gowring & TIM (center) and Jan Hustedt & VONNIE (front)



## Rescue

submitted by Virginia Smith

Over the last several months the incoming calls to rescue have been very low. We currently have 3 dogs that came from shelters. It has been difficult to find the right homes. Many people who have called want young dogs and have very high expectations. The dogs that are available are:



- ▶ **OSCAR**, who was surrendered to a shelter. The person said he belonged to her grandson and had been chained in the yard for about 6 months. He is about 3 years old and is healthy. He needs a home that is calm with people that are firm but who will provide lots of attention. He gets along with other dogs, but doesn't like cats
- ▶ **MOLLY** is about 5 and also in good health. She was a stray. She gets along with other dogs and likes everyone.
- ▶ **ABBY** is about 3. She a small female. She is friendly and gets along with other dogs.

I would like to thank Carol Jaech for handling the calls for several months and Nancy Bougher for her assistance with the dogs.

### Scrambleaires Answers and Solution:

WORDS: salad, plates, raffle, guests, chairs, gossip, meat

SOLUTION: A "full stomach"

## Little Lost Pup

*He was lost!-not a shade of doubt of that;  
For he never barked at a slinking cat,  
But stood in the square where the wind blew  
raw*

*With a drooping ear and a trembling paw  
And a mournful look in his pleading eye  
And a plaintive sniff at the passer-by  
That begged as plain as a tongue could sue,  
"O Mister! please may I follow you?"*

*A lorn wee waif of a tawny brown  
Adrift in the roar of a heedless town.  
Oh, the saddest of sights in a world of sin  
Is a little lost pup with his tail tucked in!  
He won my heart, for I set great store,  
on my own Red Beaut, who is here no more.  
So I whistled clear, and he trotted up,  
and who so glad, as that small lost pup.*

*Now he shares my board and he owns my  
bed,  
And he fairly shouts when he hears my  
tread;  
Then, if things go wrong, as they sometimes  
do,  
and the world is cold, and I'm feeling blue  
He asserts his right to assuage my woes  
With a warm, red tongue and a nice, cold  
nose  
And a silky head on my arm or knee  
And a paw as soft as a paw can be.*

*When we rove the woods for a league about  
He's as full of pranks as a school let out;  
For he romps and frisks like a three months'  
colt,  
And he runs me down like a thunderbolt.  
Oh, the blithest of sights in the world so fair  
Is a gay little pup with his tail in the air!*

Arthur Guiterman

## California Airedale Terrier Club 2009 Centennial Raffle

CATC Centennial Quilt depicting scens from California



**and**

Drawing to be held Friday evening April 10, 2009 • Sacramento, CA

*\* Need not be present to win!\**

🐕 CATC Centennial Quilt depicting scenes from California

🐕 Ann Curran Print donated by Joanne Austin

🐕 Collapsible Crate

🐕 \$100 CASH PRIZE



TICKET COST: \$5 EACH, 3 FOR \$12 OR 6 FOR \$20



Block of rooms is listed under

**Northern California Terrier Association**

\$88.00 Rates Single/Double

\$92.95 Triple/quad

Check in time 3:00 p.m.

Check out time 12:00 p.m.

**Specialty Show Site**  
**California Exposition & State Fair**  
 1600 Exposition Blvd  
 Sacramento, CA 95815  
 916/263-3000

**Host Hotel**  
**Red Lion Inn at Arden Village**  
 1401 Arden Way  
 Sacramento, Ca 95815  
 916/922-8041 Fax 916/922-0386  
 Reservations 800/325-4000

**Directions To the RED LION INN**

***Approaching Sacramento from the North (including from the Sacramento Airport)***

I-5 South to Sacramento, Take Exit 518 - 50 East (South Lake Tahoe), Then get on Business 80 – Reno, Take the Arden Way Exit - branch to Arden East. Once you are on Arden, make a left turn at the very first stoplight. After entering the parking lot, almost immediately turn left. Follow the lane around to the front of the Red Lion Inn.

***Approaching Sacramento from the South***

I-5 North to Sacramento, Exit at 50-East/Business 80 –Reno, Business 80 – Reno, Arden Way Exit Branch to Arden East, Left at the very first stoplight. After entering the parking lot, almost immediately turn left. Follow the lane around to the Red Lion Inn.

**DIRECTIONS to CAL EXPO**

***Approaching Sacramento from the North (including from the Sacramento Airport)***

I-5 South to Sacramento, Take Exit 518 - 50 East (South Lake Tahoe), Then get on Business 80 – Reno Take the Cal Expo/Exposition Blvd EAST Exit, The show grounds are on the right side of the street.

***Approaching Sacramento from the South***

I-5 North to Sacramento, Take Exit at 50-East/Business 80 –Reno, get on Business 80 – Reno Take the Cal Expo/Exposition Blvd EAST Exit, The show grounds are on the right side of the street

**Tuesday April 7, 2009**

Amellia Greggains Memorial Golf Tournament - Morning Golf followed by lunch at beautiful Haggin Oaks Golf Course in Sacramento. Tournament honors past CATC member and *President* Amellia Greggains and her famous Flashlight Kennels. Mrs. Greggains was one of the first licensed woman handlers accepted by AKC. Her Flashlight Kennels was a dominant force in Airedales through the 30's, 40's and into 50's. Cost of \$75.00 includes Lunch.

**Wednesday April 8, 2009**

California Wine Tasting Tour – Tour several California Wineries. Cost includes transportation, tours, lunch and dessert. Dogs can be boarded for the day at Sycamore Lane Kennels in Lodi for \$24.00.

**Proof of Vaccination required including Ra-**

**bies, Bordatella, DHLP required**

CATC will have a hospitality room at the host hotel Wednesday evening from 5:30 – 8:00 p.m.

**Thursday April 9, 2009** – Northern California Terrier Association Show. Judge: BOB - Lydia Coleman Hutchinson. After BIS judging please join CATC for our Independent Obedience/Rally Trial and Dinner. Obedience/Rally Judge Alvin Eng. Evening Obedience Banquet Menu – Grilled Tri Tip, Marinated BBQ Chicken Breast, Ranch Style Beans, Fresh Seasonal Vegetables, Tossed Green Salad, Coleslaw, Dessert. **Cost \$15.00**

**Friday April 10, 2009** – California Airedale Terrier Club, Inc. Specialty Show and Centennial Birthday Celebration! Judges: BOB - James Reynolds, Sweepstakes/Veteran Sweepstakes – Anne Curtis. NCTA offers Obedience and Rally Competition. Complimentary Centennial Birthday Lunch on fairgrounds provided after judging. After BIS, please join CATC for our evening banquet. The banquet will be buffet Style. Menu: char grilled king salmon filet basted with basil garlic butter, mustard crusted pork loin on apple and hazelnut dressing, sliced prime roast on pinot noir forest mushroom sauce, mashed Yukon garlic gold potatoes, medley of northwest vegetable sauté, spinach salad with sun dried cranberries, grilled pecan and blue vinaigrette, crisp cabbage slaw with cusabi dressing, fresh seasonal fruit with raspberry yogurt sauce, artisan breads and butter, olive oil and balsamic, warm white chocolate bread pudding with brandy sauce and whipped cream! **Cost \$45.00**

**Saturday April 11, 2009** – Airedale Terrier Club of America National Floating Specialty in conjunction with Sacramento Kennel Club All Breed Show. Judges: BOB - Mareth Kipp, Sweepstakes – Michael Nemeth. CATC Complimentary Lunch on fairgrounds after breed judging. Sacramento Kennel Club Obedience/Rally competition.

**Sunday April 12, 2009** – Sacramento Kennel Club all breed show and obedience competition

**Auction** - CATC's major source of funding for the Floater is the auction and raffle which occurs at the banquet on Friday, April 10, 2009. This year's auction coordinator is Angelique Shear. Angie can be reached at 209-483-1575 or email at [pindale1@gmail.com](mailto:pindale1@gmail.com). Angie will receive items that you wish to ship ahead of time. Items should be addressed to: Angie Shear, 5125 W. Sargent Road, Lodi, CA 95242. Auction items may also be brought with you to Sacramento. However you choose to provide your donated items, please be sure to contact Angie to provide her with a description of each item. Any and all donations are very much appreciated.

**Raffle** - The 2009 Centennial Raffle Items: A quilt created by CATC members of Airedales enjoying some notable scenes throughout California. Thanks to Nancy Bougher for all her hard work in coordinating and putting together this combined effort! A framed and matted Ann Curran print, donated by Joanne Austin, A \$100 cash prize, and a collapsible crate. You need not be present to win. See the reservation form to order tickets or contact Deirdre Hernandez: 209-470-2904 or by email at [kangadale@sbcglobal.net](mailto:kangadale@sbcglobal.net).

## Schedule of Events

<b>Tuesday April 7, 2009</b>	
Amellia Greggains Memorial Golf Tournament	Haggin Oaks Golf Course
And Lunch	
<b>Wednesday April 8, 2009</b>	
California Wine Tasting Tour	Lodi
Dogs can be boarded at Sycamore Lane Kennels	Lodi
CATC Hospitality 5:30-8:00	Red Lion Inn
<b>Thursday April 9, 2009</b>	
Northern California Terrier Assoc Specialty	Cal Expo
<i>Conformation Judge: Lydia Coleman Hutchinson</i>	
<i>CATC Evening Obedience/Rally Judge: Alvin Eng</i>	Cal Expo
Evening Obedience Banquet	Cal Expo
<b>Friday April 10, 2009</b>	
CATC Specialty & Birthday Celebration	Cal Expo
<i>Judge James Reynolds</i>	
<i>Sweeps/Veteran Sweeps – Anne Curtis</i>	
NCTA Obedience	Cal Expo
Complimentary Lunch courtesy CATC	Cal Expo
Evening Banquet	Red Lion Inn
<b>Saturday April 11, 2009</b>	
ATCA National Floating Specialty	Cal Expo
<i>Judge - Mareth Kipp</i>	
<i>Sweepstakes – Michael Nemeth</i>	
Sacramento Kennel Club Obedience	Cal Expo
Complimentary Lunch courtesy CATC	Cal Expo
<b>Sunday April 12, 2009</b>	
Sacramento Kennel Club Show and Obedience	Cal Expo

Event and Hospitality Reservation form

Please fill out the form below and send to Ron Colvin  
 1984 Helsinki Way, Livermore, CA 94550 925/447-9237  
**Reservation Deadlines March 18, 2009**

Name Address Phone Number

Date	Event	Fee per person	Number	Total
Tuesday 4/7/09	Amelia Greggains Golf Tournament and Lunch	\$70.00		
Wednesday 4/8/09	California Wine Tasting Tour	\$75.00		
Wednesday 4/8/09	Sycamore Lane Kennels Dog Boarding Per dog per day	\$24.00		
Wednesday 4/8/09	Evening CATC Hospitality	<b>\$0.00</b>		
Thursday 4/9/09	CATC Evening Obedience Banquet	\$15.00		
Friday 4/10/09	CATC Complimentary Birthday Lunch	<b>\$0.00</b>		
Friday 4/10/09	CATC Evening Banquet	\$45.00		
Saturday 4/11/09	CATC Complimentary Lunch	<b>\$0.00</b>		
	Raffle Tickets \$5.00, 3 for \$12.00, 6 for \$20.00			
Name/s	Address:	Phone Numbers		

**If you plan to attend any of the complimentary lunches or hospitality, please let us know by putting a number in the appropriate column.**



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



**WHEN:** Saturday, May 2, 2009  
10:00am until whenever you please

**WHERE:** Del Valle Regional Park, south of Livermore (parking fee)

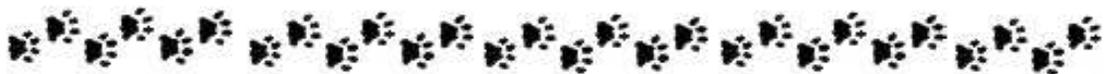
From the west, exit I-580 at Airway Blvd., turn right on Isabel, left on Concannon, right on So. Livermore, which runs into Tesla. From Tesla, turn right on Mines Road. From the east, exit I-580 at Vasco Rd. south, turn right on Tesla, left on Mines.

At Mines Road, go about 3.5 miles and continue straight on Del Valle Road (Mines Road turns left). The park entrance is about four miles ahead. After passing through the main gate of the park, turn right. At the third parking lot, turn left; the sign points to the boat launch and kayaking. Park there and look for fellow Airedale-walkers!

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

**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!**





## Press Release

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

**Date:** March 3, 2009

### **AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB AND MOTEL 6 OFFER COST-SAVING DISCOUNTS TO AKC REGISTERED DOG OWNERS**

**NEW YORK** – The American Kennel Club (AKC®), a not-for-profit organization which maintains the largest registry of purebred dogs in the world, today announced a special agreement with Motel 6 and Studio 6 to offer all AKC registered dog owners a 10% discount on room reservations nationwide.

To reserve a room and activate the discount, all AKC registrants can log on to [www.motel6.com](http://www.motel6.com) and enter access code CP542764 for Motel 6 or visit [www.staystudio6.com](http://www.staystudio6.com) and enter the access code CP542765 for Studio 6 reservations.

"We are pleased to work with Motel 6 to offer AKC registered dog owners discounts during these tough economic times," said Dennis Sprung, President/CEO, AKC. "Last year alone, the AKC sanctioned more than 20,000 events that drew more than three million entries. These added savings will help AKC registrants find a comfortable place to rest with their dogs on their way to and from competitive events or while they are traveling on vacation."

"The AKC is the premiere organization that oversees the sport of purebred dogs in the United States," said Olivier Poirot, CEO for Accor North America, Motel 6 and Studio 6. "Motel 6 has been pet friendly since 1962, and we're happy to offer AKC registered dogs and their owners even more savings on our more than 1,000 properties across the United States and Canada."

Additional information on this program can be found online at [http://www.akc.org/motel6\\_studio6/](http://www.akc.org/motel6_studio6/).

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The American Kennel Club (AKC), proudly celebrates its 125th Anniversary in 2009. Since 1884 the not-for-profit organization has maintained the largest registry of purebred dogs in the world, and today its

# CATC Calendar and General Information

## Standing Committee Chairs

Airedale Walks	Sarah Roberts Chris Hyde
Achievement Awards:	Georgia McRae
ADOA	Karen McElhanev
AKC Delegate	Kayla Kurucz
Breeder Referral	Deidre Hernandez
Education	Virginia Smith
Fun Day	Sarah Roberts Chris Hyde
Sanctioned Match	Angie Shear Devon Allen
Golden Gate Decor	Deirdre Hernandez Patty Gregg
Historian	Nancy Bridge
Judges Selection	Kayla Kurucz, Deirdre Hernandez Devon Allen
Membership/ Subscriptions	Georgia McRae
Database/mailings	Linda Botts
Newsletter	Kimberley Harper Kristin Munson
Obedience Classes	Nancy Strohmaier
Obedience Committee	Nancy Bougher, Chair Nancy Strohmaier Karen Lapierre Chris Hyde Angie Shear
Policy & Procedures	Carol Jaech
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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www.calairedale.org

### Rescue Phone Number:

209.712.5452

## 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	TBD

## Board Meetings 2009

January 3	August 15
March 14	October 17

## 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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