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Golden Gate Kennel Club Show

By CATC Member Carol Reynolds

Golden Gate Kennel Club 107th & 108th Annual Blue Ribbon Dog Show - January 29 & 30, 2011, Cow Palace, Daly City (Benched Show)

In our last CATC newsletter, I saw the assignment of Standing Committee Chair still open for "Golden Gate Décor". I've been wanting to raise my hand to contribute to a club activity but my work takes me out of town so often I usually can't even enjoy the events, much less help organize them. I looked at the dates of the GG show and it was going work! I thought - I could do this, with the combined experiences of the club members that have been doing it in the past that I could call on - I could come up with a theme and make it happen!

So my education begins. I called several members of the club. They were all very helpful and encouraging, and I think relieved that someone was going to take this on.

I also did my internet research. I should back up and explain that while I had been to the show last year, I had arrived after the Club's area was all set up and I wasn't really paying attention, just enjoying the dogs. So while understanding the concept of a bench show, I had a lot to learn about the 'behind the scenes' aspects. My biggest issue was I couldn't get a really good idea of what I had to work with. The internet gave me some photos of past bench shows already decorated along with sites like How to Build a Window Bench for Dogs...not very helpful.

I was told that there were walls, and a bench.... That the walls were wooden and not very sturdy, the benches were about 2 feet high and fit the crates (barely). I got great information from Deidre who I called many times. She described what they had done in the past, they would have black sheets to cover the benches, and I should get some type of carpet. So I was getting good information but nothing prepared me for this!

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**General Meeting
May 7, 2011
at the home of
Jim and Maxine Shear**



CATC bench before decorating

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Arriving when the hall is completely empty and all you have is cold concrete and these blue rickety benches was unnerving to me! Luckily our bench neighbors were very friendly and helpful and I now appreciate that fact that someone local should handle as I ended up going to two Home Depots (to find the outdoor carpet) and I could go home and return if needed.

I think we ended up with a respectable looking area - Angie arrived and helped me put up the photos with a borrowed staple gun. We had great photos of all of our dogs that were entered and our area was comfortable and welcoming to the dog fanciers that came by our bench area to see our beautiful Airedales. I was impressed by the patience and knowledge of our hard working members of the club that engaged with the public all day long. Patty and "Goldie" must have been exhausted at the end of the day. Angie, Suzanne, Patty and Kristi were in the booth spending most of the day showing their dogs and talking to people about our breed.

Thanks to all that brought the food and drinks!

Important Things I learned:

- 🐾 A picture is worth a thousand words
- 🐾 A good staple gun is golden
- 🐾 The general public will stick their fingers in the crates so be watchful
- 🐾 Our Airedales are loved by many



CATC Bench after decorating



Angie Shear and Magic meeting people



CATC Cheering Section

More Golden Gate Photos

Patty Gregg and Goldie



Helen Piperis, Jenny Wornall and Bunny

Kristi Burrus and Huck



Prison Dog 260 Comes Home

Introducing a New Dog into the Pack

By Dorothy Miner



A short while ago I adopted Prison Dog 260, who had been an “inmate” at Allen Correctional Institution’s PETS Program while going through basic training. After observing her for a while (a *very short* while) I knew she was the perfect candidate to fill the empty position of Girl Dog in my home. I had lost my much-loved senior Airedale girl, Remy, last year, and I was living in a house full of boy dogs. I needed to restore the estrogen

balance. Prison Dog 260 had been picked up as a stray by the Clark County Humane Society, and she was a mess. It would be a couple of months before she could be spayed and put in the program, but she was given the opportunity. Her inmate trainer is new to the program, and this was the first dog he would be totally responsible for. When I told him that I would be adopting her he was first pleased, and then stressed that he had the responsibility of training the instructor’s dog. Thank you, Jeremy - you did a wonderful job.

Introducing a new dog into a resident pack must be done carefully. Ideally, the dogs are introduced on neutral turf like a park. “Ideally” wasn’t going to happen in our case. I introduced her first to Dhugal in my garage. Dhugal fancies himself a ladies’ man and has never met a female he didn’t like. That introduction went well, so I escorted the two outside into my fenced yard where I tossed in my Shih Tzus, Barney and Wally. Adding the little guys to the mix went just fine.

A dog’s first weeks in its new home can be stressful. Too much excitement can overwhelm a dog, causing it to react badly in new and possibly frightening situations. I lead a fairly quiet life, so at least she wasn’t going to have to face anything too stressful right away. I doubt that it would have been a problem for her, but it’s better to give a dog, especially one with an unknown past, time to acclimatize itself to its new life.

Feeding can be another interesting problem. The inmate who was responsible for her training left a bowl of kibble down for her all the time. She became a picky eater. This just doesn’t work in a pack of beasts that live to eat, such as mine. When she didn’t eat at prison, her handler fed her treats because he couldn’t bear to see her hungry. Good intentions, but bad practice. After a couple of days of my putting her bowl down only at meal times and then picking it up, and temporarily eliminating also treats, she decided to eat. It helped that I fed her near Barney and Wally, too. All my dogs eat like hairy

vacuum cleaners and she figured out that if she didn’t get busy with her kibble, someone might just come over and eat it for her. She’s an eager eater now.

My new dog was well trained at A.C.I., and I continue to work with her daily reviewing basic obedience. When a dog has been trained by someone other than the owner, the owner also has to make an effort to work with the dog. Training doesn’t automatically transfer itself to a new owner. Housebreaking is a part of the training dogs receive in the prison program, but I’m not naïve enough to assume that a newly adopted dog will be clean in its new home. A couple days of watching her like a hawk paid off and I now can trust her indoors.

I know that she is still in her “honeymoon” period, the first month or so after bringing a new dog home when she is on her best behavior. So far she’s smart, sweet, and fairly laid back. But a dog doesn’t show its true colors right away in a new home, so I won’t be too surprised if she isn’t quite as easy as she seems to be now. I love her dearly and my other dogs think she’s great – so I don’t think we’ll be having insurmountable problems. No, she isn’t an Airedale. She’s a delightful mix of many, many breeds.

Kiri at home



The Lily Stare-Down

By Linda Botts Brennan

Our relatively ancient bitch, Lily, has in the last few months developed a behavior I call the “Lily Stare-Down.” In the past few years, my own behavior has become very predictable (being relatively ancient myself); before when she was young, I was often on the road on business and not at all a “kitchen presence.” Her “new” behavior is simply that she sits near me with a determined unwavering gaze that I cannot avoid when I am perched on a stool at the island in the kitchen. Typically I am there at lunchtime with a book and the leftover du jour I’ve chosen. Later, when I am cooking dinner, usually with the news on, I am awaiting something in a sauté pan to finish so I can go on with the next step of the recipe for the evening. At those times, being the matriarch deserving of special attention, our other dogs are elsewhere and Lily rules the kitchen.

About six weeks ago, I noticed she had begun to sit – usually quietly – to stare at me during those times. Sometimes, if I manage to ignore eye contact for a very long time, she will utter a very low grumble to remind me she is there. Her vision is cloudy (cataracts), her hearing and mobility diminished by age. She was once the dog who could hear a dropped cracker before it hit the floor, and the one we once found burrowing into a tub of dog food – all we could see was her hindquarters and tail – eating her way to the bottom. She emerged looking like a big football

with legs and head; fortunately we all survived although for three days, she had to exist on very minimal amounts of food, water and frequent trips outside. Her entire life she was instantly at my side when she heard chopping sounds at the sink, and would remain there if her remarkable nose recognized something she might get a bite of, either carrots or celery (but never onion or jalapenos). And for years, she has waited patiently under the glass table where we have dinner looking up at us while we eat, never begging, but totally assured that if there is a plate that is acceptable for a little extra clean-up, it will appear on the floor by the sink. But now, she can’t physically compete with the others when goodies are dispensed, our other dogs being so much more agile and quick. Her stare-down, I am convinced, is reserved for those times when she can demand my undivided attention.



Intense Lilly stare

At first, I thought her gaze was food-driven; I was at least partially correct. She is a bit overweight, as are many of us in our advancing years but has never been a dog that craved affection and lap-time and I am very niggardly about dispensing treats that she so desperately gobbles when given. As it happens, I have been in the midst of reading *Inside of a Dog* (Alexandra Horowitz NY Times bestseller)* and yesterday was absorbed by the section about gazing and attention-getting. I compared her behavior and much of the “knowledge” I’ve acquired in over thirty years of being the wife/partner of an active terrier breeder/exhibitor to the statements in the book and quickly realized she was training me in a new and different way. Yes, she did want a “munchie,” but also – perhaps due to the arthritis evident in her trembling posture – she required at least a little lap time or an invitation to the comfy sofa in my husband’s “man-cave” rather than the unforgiving tile surface where she sat. With that realization came another – I too wanted the comfort of another, in this case, a small, rather smelly body settled onto my lap, front legs wrapped around my arm.

In that brief revelatory moment, I sat in amazement at the gifts our dogs have quite naturally given me over and above any memorable show moments. To list them would be “preaching to the choir” – after all, this newsletter is directed to dog-owners. Also amazing was the correction in many sections of the book of the many misperceptions dog-owners have about their four-legged family members. It’s appropriate that I should thank Lily for this new behavior that – along with the book – made me so appreciative anew of dogs’ presence in my life.

* This book, which may have been very briefly reviewed in an earlier newsletter, is simply one of the best I’ve read about dog behavior, written by a PhD in animal cognition. It is neither overly-scholarly nor full of sentimentality and includes a thorough bibliography to support her point of view. Surprisingly, research into canine behavior has lagged far behind that of primates and other species until fairly recently. Amazing it is that so many people care enough about their dogs to have put it consistently on best-seller lists. If you would like a more extensive review, please let our newsletter editor know – or better yet, pick it up and read it. It is wonderfully organized by behavior topics, e.g., licking, gazing, marking, etc. and is ideal to read a burst or two at a time.

Stanford University Walk

Contributed by CATC member Chris Hyde

Five Out of Six Ain't Bad!

Sarah Roberts and Chris Hyde, aka *The CATC Walk Committee*, make a great team. The March walk details were organized far in advance:

- ☑ ---calendar date, move to March to avoid pesky showers
- ☑ ---arrange Stanford location, beautiful surroundings, available shade, picnic area
- ☑ ---determine free, convenient parking
- ☑ ---locate charming student guide, knowledgeable, flexible
- ☑ ---publish and advertise flyer
- ☑ ---request cool, sunny California weather

We looked forward to our walk!

Jazz and I went to bed early to ready for the big day ahead. Local Saturday weather was just as requested—cool and clear. I browsed the computer forecast: 10-20% possibility of light showers in Palo Alto until 10am, clearing until 1pm. Perfect! Just because, I threw in additional Jazz towels, gathered my water proof boots and heavy rain coat, and added an extra clothing layer with wool hat. Rain pants were left behind—unnecessary. One phone call, “Would the walk be on, rain or shine?” Of course! Jazz was brushed and combed out. Off we drove!

After 30 minutes or so, windshield wipers were needed for light precipitation. As we approached Palo Alto, drizzle turned to rain. (Just a lingering shower that would soon subside.) Upon arrival in the parking lot, Jazz uncharacteristically chose to remain in his crate rather than brave the (by then) heavy rain. Had we stumbled onto the campus of the Oregon Ducks by mistake? In this weather, it was doubtful that CATC members would participate. I'd cancel our student guide and head home.

CATC walkers and canines did arrive--15 humans in all, bundled in heavy rain gear. Some umbrellas were sported—including one blue and gold Cal umbrella! Two terrier cousins and one Airedale wore raincoats. There was no question of canceling! Although pups were

anxious to meet and greet, I found it hard to socialize with hat, generous hood, and HUGE raindrops obliterating my view. Jen, our enthusiastic student guide, appeared unaffected by the weather. The tour began. Not surprisingly, there were few other visitors about, allowing us an intimate campus view.

If truth be told, for me most of the walk was a blur. I did learn many interesting details: Leland Stanford was a former California governor, one of the original Stanford tenets was to provide **free**, co-educational courses, Stanford University shared the same architect with Central Park, NY, and most Stanford undergrad students live on campus. The buildings were beautiful; the landscape blended into one large park. I admit, however to distractions by my soaked socks and boots (water resistant?) and the persistent water leaking down the leash-holding-arm. My hands were dyed red from the now slippery leather!

The tour ended in the heart of the campus. I had originally envisioned a leisurely continuation of our walk back to the picnic area, socializing along the way. At this point, however, Jazz and I made a bee line to our car. We were done! Both towels were needed to dry my soaked boy--so much for combing him out at home! There was talk of eating lunch locally, but my immediate goals were dry clothes and the Toyota heater.

Thank you to all who attended the first CATC walk of 2011. Despite the challenging weather, we did have a great walk! I am continually impressed that CATC members are hearty and optimistic, traits not dissimilar to our Airedales! I plan to return with Jazz to the Stanford campus for a beautiful walk on another typical cool and sunny California day.

We look forward to our next CATC walk on Sunday, May 8, in the Livermore area. Think sun!





The Benefits of Sanctioned and Fun Matches

By Kristi Burrus

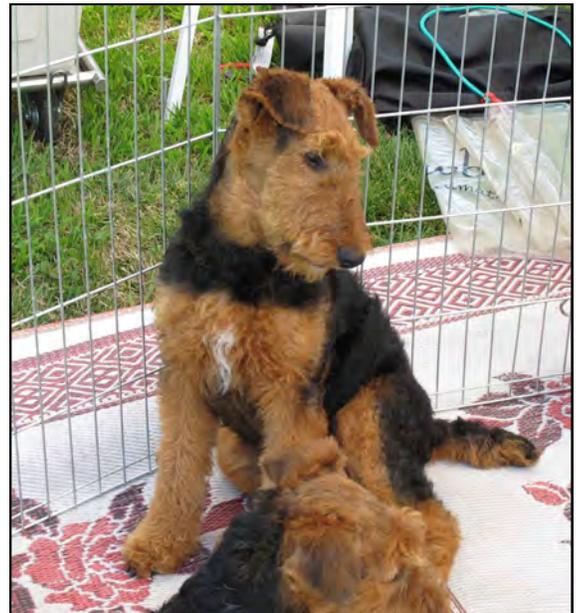
Sanctioned or fun matches are great opportunities for young dogs and puppies. Many CATC members attended the Sacramento Valley Dog Fanciers sanctioned match at Dixon on March 12. We made a fair entry in Airedales for conformation. There were also participants in an obedience workshop held the same day.

For the youngest puppies in the 3-6 mos. class this was their first introduction to the show ring. The atmosphere is more relaxed than that of an AKC dog show, and the judge took her time going over the puppies. They all seemed to have a good time and their first experience was enjoyable.

I believe a match is a positive experience for prospective judges too. The more examples of a breed they can experience going over at the match level will help make them better judges if and when they become approved.

The weather was sunny and mild and it turned out to be a good day for the Airedales! Airedales won both the puppy and adult terrier groups, and the adult even went on to win Best in Match.

The **CATC sanctioned match will be held on June 4th, 2011 in Newark.** Even if you have never shown your Airedale at a dog show you might consider entering the match. Entry is open to all Airedales that are not major pointed. Our conformation judge will be Danica Burge and our obedience/rally judge is to be determined. We will also have our Parade of Champions and a potluck lunch. Watch the newsletter for the premium and entry form. Hope to see you all there.



An Ear Full of Cleaning Advice

By Samantha Curran



Many Airedale owners complain that their dogs and their husbands share one annoying trait: selective hearing. It's a good idea to think about our dogs' hearing and ear health, and pay attention to proper and frequent cleaning. (*I'm not sure what can be done about "husband hearing."*)

One of the most common problems presented to the vet is Otitis externa, infection or inflammation of the ear canal. Most ear infections can be prevented by proper and frequent ear cleaning. Your Airedale's ears should be checked and cleaned weekly, unless your vet recommends more frequent cleanings.

The dog's ear is anatomically different than the human ear. Unlike the human ear, the dog's ear has two compartments. Beginning at the opening of the ear canal, the vertical canal travels downward toward the dog's jaw. Then it makes a 45 degree turn and travels horizontally towards the ear drum. This makes visualization and treatment of the entire canal more difficult and predisposes the dog's ear to infection.

The first step in cleaning is hair removal. A good canine ear powder such as Rich Health R-7 Ear Powder or Bio Groom Ear Powder will dry the hair for easier removal with fingers or gentle use of tweezers. Ear Powder is also a good idea for use after bathing your dog, or if your dog has been swimming.

Once the hair has been removed from the ear

- slowly flush the ear with a good vet-approved ear cleaner.
- Massage the base of the ear gently for 20-30 seconds.
- Wipe away any debris with an ear cleansing pad or soaked cotton ball. Ear cleansing pads contain dilute salicylic and benzoic acids and are a convenient and gentle tool to use for ear cleaning. They are available from most vet supply catalogs.
- Let your dog shake his head to release any remaining fluid at the base of the ear.
- Clean the outer ear flap gently with an ear cleansing pad or a soaked cotton ball.
- Dry the ear flap thoroughly with a soft cloth.
- Apply a small amount of ear powder to keep the ear canal dry and to reduce the chance of infection.
- Reward your dog with a treat and lots of praise.

Do **not** use cotton tip applicators in a dog's ear. This can be painful to the dog and could potentially pierce the dog's eardrum. Applicators may do more harm by pushing the earwax into a tight ball against the eardrum. This will definitely require a vet's attention to remove the compacted wax.

Alcohol is **not** recommended for ear cleaning. It will dry the ear and if there are scratches or inflammation in the canal, the alcohol will burn and cause pain and further inflammation. If you must use a home product, use white vinegar diluted 50:50 with water and follow the ear cleaning procedure above.

It's time to consult your vet if you notice:

- Ear odor
- Scratching or rubbing of the ears and head
- Discharge in the ears
- Redness or swelling of the ear flap or canal
- Shaking of the head or tilting the head to one side
- Pain around the ears
- Changes in behavior such as depression or irritability

Dogs can develop ear problems for a variety of reasons:

Allergies, either to food or to an inhaled or contacted substance, can cause ear problems. In fact, the ear problem may be the first sign of an allergic response. Because of the allergic response, the environment of the ear may change, predisposing it to secondary infections of bacteria or yeast.

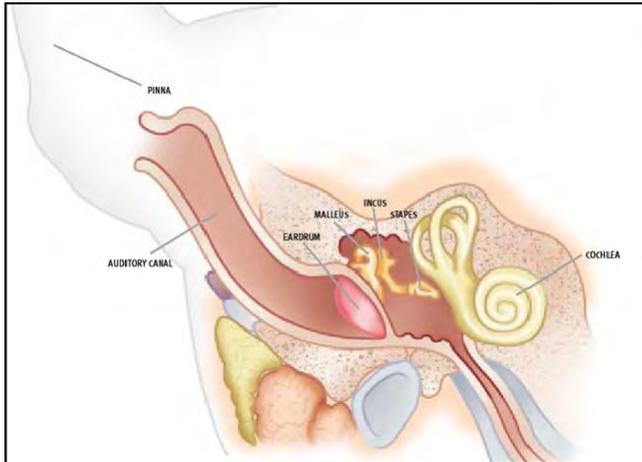
Parasites: The ear mite, *Otodectes cynotis*, is a common cause of problems in cats, but is less common in dogs. Some dogs are hypersensitive to the ear mite and the resultant itching can be intense, causing the dog to scratch so severely he may traumatize the ear. If your vet diagnoses one of your dogs with ear mites, it's important to have all your animals checked, since ear mites are contagious.

Ticks and fleas are other parasites than can invade the ear.

Ear Infections: Numerous types of bacteria and yeast (*Malassezia pachydermatis*) love the warm, moist environment of the dog's ear canal. The normal, healthy dog ear has a good defense against these organisms, but if the ear environment changes because of allergies, hormone abnormalities or moisture, bacteria and yeast can multiply within the ear. Owners will notice the dog shaking its head or scratching at its ears. You will detect a distinctly pungent odor near the ears. If the yeast or bacterial infection persists, the ear canal will become inflamed and discharge a purulent exudate or pus-like substance.

Your vet will usually take an ear swab and examine it under the microscope to determine the cause of the infection. Treatment will include flushing the ear canal with an antimicrobial solution and possibly an anti-inflammatory injection. Your vet will then prescribe the correct topical medication for use at home. Remember that all ear infections are NOT caused by the same microorganism. **Home treatment without proper veterinary examination is mere guesswork and can be dangerous for your dog.**

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Foreign Bodies such as plant awns and foxtails can cause irritation and should be removed by your vet. After a long walk or hike in the woods, inspect your Airedale for those awns or any foreign matter that could enter the ear canal.

Trauma: Self-inflicted trauma due to excessive scratching can exacerbate ear problems and could damage the ear.

Endocrine Diseases such as hypothyroidism may increase a dog's chance of developing ear problems.

When ear infections persist or become more severe, the infection may move from the outer ear to the inner ear. This may affect your dog's ability to hear. If your dog seems to have more trouble hearing you or noises in his environment this could be a sign that your dog has a serious ear infection that may lead to deafness. Sometimes the nerves located in the inner ear become affected by the infection. Your dog may become dizzy or disoriented, may tilt his head and walk in circles. When the nerves of the inner ear are affected, a dog may exhibit what is known as nystagmus or unusual eye movements. Seek immediate vet attention.

Routine ear checks and gentle cleaning are essential for your Airedale's health. Ideally, your young Airedale puppy should learn to have his ears examined and handled often, receiving lots of praise and treats for standing for examination. Lots of praise and treats work well for good dogs of any age, and this probably works for husbands, too.

Take Special Care with Antifreeze

Antifreeze is very sweet and tasty to pets, and lethal even in small quantities. Buy brands that do not contain ethylene glycol, such as Sierra®, and be sure to keep all antifreeze out of your pet's reach.

Snakes r NOT us...

Kevin and Angela Cunningham

Kevin and Angela are serious hikers and campers, and their dogs with them everywhere. They want to ensure their dogs' safety when they hike and camp, so they are training their Airedales in snake avoidance.

Bentley and Jetta just went through snake aversion training today and did very well. Each dog is trained individually and it takes about 20 minutes/dog. First they are taken to a baby snake and are allowed to investigate - then they get a zap from a shock collar. Bentley wasn't even interested until the guy made it move. Jetta only sniffed it and the zap made her jump in the air.

Then they are taken to smell some snake skin and another zap. Then they go up to a cage of Diamondback rattlers that rattle as anything approaches for another zap. Bentley took one look inside the cage and backed away. Jetta didn't want to go near it at all. Finally a live snake is sitting on the ground, with its mouth taped shut, and the dog is led over to investigate. Once they saw the snake they wouldn't go near it no matter how the guy tried to lead them to it. I was asked to call Bentley and he ran around it in a wide arc. When Jetta was brought to it, she was trotting along and suddenly slammed on the brakes and would not go near it. When I called her, she too gave it a wide berth as she ran over to me.

The trainer advised repeating the training once a year for about three years for the best success. Two dogs cost \$130. There are over 40 dogs signed up today.

Now we are all ready for some more backpacking fun and hopefully we'll be safer as well. We just have to wait until the mountains dry out a bit and the streams become more crossable.



Book Review

By Lynn Hart Madison

The Dog -- 5000 Years of the Dog in Art

By Tamsin Pickeral

This book will knock your socks off! Beauty, erudition, wit, history---it has it all. Yes, it's a big coffee table book. The hard-cover version is 11.5" x 11.75". (the paperback is smaller). And those BIG pages are full of the most luscious reproductions of everything from the earliest African rock paintings of dogs to Velazquez, Titian, Picasso, Monet, Stubbs, and Rodrigue (you've all seen his "Blue Dog" series right?). If not, check out the Blue Dog Gallery in Carmel.

Tamsin Pickeral provides a wonderful introduction, followed by ten chapters titled variously 'The Early Dog,' 'The Eastern Dog,' 'The Religious Dog,' 'The Mythical Dog,' 'The Portrait Dog,' 'The Domestic Dog,' 'The Hunting Dog,' 'The Real Dog,' 'The Romantic Dog,' 'The American Dog,' and 'The Modern Dog.' And each full-page reproduction of a painting, drawing, or sculpture is accompanied by Pickeral's insightful aesthetic as well as canine-centered commentary. You will learn about ornate Egyptian dog collars, Anubis, Genghis Khan's "Dogs of War," Cerberus, and Fu dogs.....to name of few of the gems. And Pickeral analyzes the symbolism of the dog in art---from guardian of and guide to the spirit world to symbol of fidelity and faithfulness.

This is book to dip in and out of at your leisure (there are 288 pages). It would be a great choice for a special gift for a dog-loving friend. And it would make a wonderful trophy!! (hint hint). Or treat yourself and buy a copy.....just to drool over.

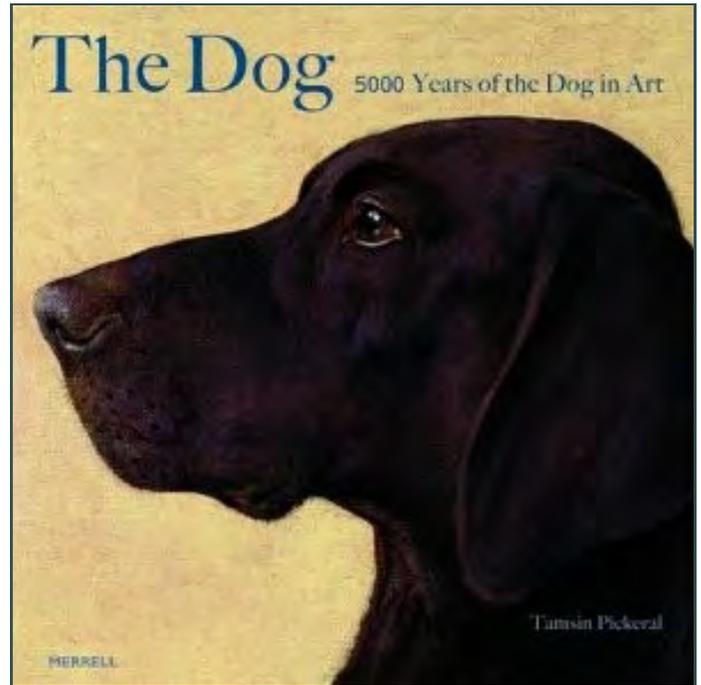
Here's a snippet from the chapter 'The Real Dog': *"These paint-paintings are of real dogs...and they live and breathe with the glisten of years-old oil paint: skin moving over bones and lusty blood coursing through veins, these are dogs ready to leap from the canvas."*

Tamsin Pickeral is a specialist in both art and animal husbandry---and she has given us a captivating and beautiful book. It deserves a place on your coffee table. And it deserves a place in your heart.....here is the opening quote from the introduction:

"Strength without insolence, Courage without ferocity, And all the Virtues of Man without his Vices."

From 'Epitaph to a Dog', LORD BYRON, 1808.

Protect Your Pet's Paws . Snow and ice often call for rock salt on sidewalks and driveways. Wipe snow, ice and rock salt off your pet's paws, even clean between the toes - after outdoor walks. The lime rock salt or calcium chloride salt commonly used may cause vomiting and diarrhea if the animal licks it.



Common signs of a toothache are:

- **Yellow and brown tartar buildup**
- **Bleeding**
- **Bad breath**
- **Red inflamed gums (gingivitis)**
- **Difficulty chewing**
- **Change in eating habits**
- **Pawing at the mouth**



Scrambalire

By Linda Botts-Brennan

This word puzzle is similar to the "Jumbles" found in many newspapers. You unscramble the words/phrases; then using the high-lighted letters, you solve the puzzle. The theme for this puzzle is *things/events associated with springtime months.*

Early blooming bulb plant

S C O R U C _____

Headwear often associated with Easter

T O N B N E _____

June event celebrating Old Glory (two words)

G L A F A Y D _____

A day honoring our maternal ones

S M H O R T E _____

An especially fragrant spring blooming shrub

C L L A I _____

Solution:

Called the Mexican Independence Day by some (three words)

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A wife says to her husband one weekend morning, "We've got such a clever Airedale. He brings in the daily newspapers every morning." Her husband replies, "Well, lots of Airedales can do that." The wife responded, "But we've never subscribed to any!"

Broccoli/Blue Cheese casserole

Submitted by Linda Botts, served at Christmas meeting hosted by them

You can prepare 1-3 up to one day ahead; cover and chill. Uncover, bring to room temp and continue with step 4.

3 lbs. Trimmed broccoli florets

1/4 cup butter, plus 2T melted for topping

1/4 cup all-purpose flour

2 cups milk

6 oz. cream cheese, cut unto 1/2-inch chunks

1/2 cup blue or gorgonzola cheese

1 and 1/3 cups panko crumbs

1. In 6 quart pan on high heat, bring about 3 qts water to boil. Rinse broccoli and trim off and discard any tough stems. Break into 1-inch florets. Add to boiling water and cook till barely tender, 4-6 minutes. Drain and rinse with cool water to stop cooking further,
2. Rinse and dry pan. Add 1/4 cup butter and melt over medium heat. Stir in flour until bubbly, about 1 minute. Add milk and stir over medium-high until mixture is boiling and thickened, about 3 minutes. Add cream and blue cheeses; whisk until smoothly blended. Stir in broccoli, then pour into shallow 2 1/2 to 3 quart casserole.
3. Combine crumbs and 2 T melted butter in a small bowl. Sprinkle evenly over broccoli mixture.
4. Bake in regular or convection oven at 350 degrees until casserole is hot in center and crumbs are golden, about 20-30 minutes.

Makes 12-14 servings.

How to clean a baby's ears



Gluten Free Dog Biscuit Recipe

Ingredients

1 Lb ground meat (lamb, beef, chicken, turkey) Lamb and beef tend to be higher in fat. Chicken and turkey might be a better choice for an overweight dog.

1 large sweet potato (cooked and mashed)

1 large egg

1/4 tsp garlic powder (not garlic salt) or one large clove pressed

5 tbsp. large flake rolled oats (organic if possible) or 4 tbsp. ground flax seed meal

Pre-heat oven to 350 degrees. Combine all ingredients in a bowl, mixing up very well. Lightly grease a cookie sheet with olive oil. (very slightly) Dump ingredients on cookie sheet and spread evenly and flatly to the sides of pan. This should be about 1/4 to 1/2 inch thick. Bake for one hour at 350 degrees.

Remove pan from oven and use your cookie cutter at this time, if you want. If you don't have a cookie cutter, just score the 'cookie dough 'with a knife or pizza cutter, into squares.

Put back into the oven and bake for another hour at 250 degrees. This will dry these healthy dog treats out. Keep an eye on your oven. The time could be more or less, depending on how hot your oven runs. These dog treats should be fairly dry and a little crispy, but not burned.

Helpful hint

This dog treat recipe is inexpensive, easy...and very tasty.

Dogs go crazy for lamb. Lamb however, smells very strong when cooking. So be forewarned...your dogs will love you, but others might not. Lamb is also quite high in fat. So, if your dog is overweight, maybe chicken or turkey would be a better protein choice for your dog.

Here's what they look like



One step closer and MEOW POW!

A girl was visiting her blonde friend who got two new Airedales and asked her what their names were. The Blonde girl said they were named Rolex and Timex. Her friend said, "Whoever heard of someone naming their Airedales like that?"

"Helloooo" answered the blonde,

"They are watch dogs?"

Scrambleaire Answers:

Words: crocus, bonnet, flag day, mothers, lilac
Solution Cinco de Mayo



Presidents Report

Deirdre Hernandez

ATCA YEARBOOK TO HIGHLIGHT AIREDALE ACHIEVEMENTS

-- Non-Members Invited to Participate --

Every ten years, the Airedale Terrier Club of America (ATCA) publishes a Yearbook that chronicles breed highlights on the national and regional levels for the past decade.

This attractive soft cover book, with its unique cover of Airedale snapshots cover and approximately 400 pages in full color, has staying power on coffee tables and in bookshelves around the world.

Work is underway on the 2010 Yearbook which covers the period from January 2000 through December 2010. It is an ideal showcase for commemorating your Airedales' performance and conformation achievements.

Airedale owners who do not belong to the ATCA yet titled their dogs (AKC and ATCA titles) during the decade in conformation, obedience, rally, agility and hunting, are invited to be a part of this keepsake by taking out a New Titles ad for only \$30 each. These celebratory ads feature a photo of the Airedale, a two-generation pedigree, the names of the owner(s) and breeder(s), the title and the date the title was attained.

ATCA members may contribute to this ideal showcase by taking out Display as well as New Title ads to commemorate their breeding programs, memorialize dogs that are no longer here, and share ring and field achievements. In addition, members may take out a half-page commercial ad to promote a dog-related product or service offered by a company they own.

Additional information and order forms for all these opportunities can be found on the ATCA website (www.airedale.org), on the home page under Latest News, Events and Information. Click on the 2010 Yearbook button. For more information, please contact Susan Metcalf at smetcalf@maine.rr.com.

This year has started off with the Golden Gate Kennel Club show. Carol Reynolds volunteered to decorate our bench for this annual benched show and it looked great. Many CATC members manned the booth, showing up both days to help educate people about our breed. CATC was well represented by club members and Airedales.

Our next general meeting will be on May 7th at the home of Jim and Maxine Shear. Please make your reservations soon, I hope to see you all there.

May 8th is the next CATC walk. These walks are not only enjoyable for us and our Airedales but they have become an important educational opportunity for our breed.

Our Sanctioned Match is June 4th, mark you calendars and plan to attend. This is an important event for our club as it is required to remain as an active AKC member.

Spring Cleaning!



Wilfred



California Airedale Terrier Club, Inc.
General Club Meeting Notice

Airedale Terriers.....
Airedale Terriers.....
That's Amore!
That's Amore!



Saturday, May 7, 2011

Benvenuto!

At the home of Jim & Maxine Shear
2211 Orchis Drive
Lodi, CA 95242
209.339.8342
swetpea@softcom.net

Buon Appetito!



Social Hour: 3:00
Meeting: 4:00
Followed by dinner....*Manga!*

Reservations due by April 30, 2011
\$12.00 per person

Make checks payable and send to, Maxine Shear
Grazie Molto!

Directions:

From the Bay Area: Take Hwy 205 toward Sacramento onto Interstate 5 North,
Exit at Hwy CA-12 East; Continue on Hwy 12-East into Lodi
Cross the intersection of Hwy 12-E and Lower Sacramento Rd.
Turn RIGHT onto Sylvan Way
(*Sylvan Way is just past Tienda Dr.*)
Turn RIGHT onto Orchis Dr.
(*Orchis Dr. is just past Manzanita Ct.*)
22 11 Orchis Dr. is on the RIGHT

From Sacramento: Take Hwy 99 South
Exit Hwy CA-12 West / Fairfield
Turn RIGHT onto E. Kettleman Ln. / CA-12 W
Turn LEFT onto S. Mills Ave.
Take the 1st RIGHT onto Sand Creek Dr.
Turn LEFT onto Sylvan Way
Take 2nd RIGHT onto Orchis Dr.
2211 Orchis Dr. is on the RIGHT

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



WHEN: Sunday, May 8, 2011
10:00am until whenever you please, rain or shine

WHERE: Del Valle Regional Park, south of Livermore (\$7 parking fee)

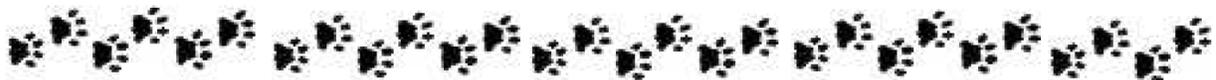
From the west or east, exit I-580 at Vasco Rd. south, turn right on Tesla, left on Mines. At Mines Road, go about 3.5 miles and continue straight on Del Valle Road (Mines Road turns left). The park entrance is about four miles ahead.

From the south, take the Livermore turn-off at Sunol and follow it to Livermore. Turn right on Concannon. Go to end of road and turn right on So. Livermore and right on Mines Road.

After passing through the main gate of the park, turn right. At the second parking lot, turn left; the sign says Arroyo Mocho. Then turn right to the end of the parking lot. Park there and look for fellow Airedale-walkers!

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!**





MORRIS ANIMAL FOUNDATION
Canine Cancer Campaign

Join us for the 3rd Annual K9 Cancer Walk & Health Fair!

Saturday, May 7th at Elk Grove Regional Park

Cancer strikes over six million dogs in the U.S. each year. It is the number one killer of adult dogs.

We are committed to doing our part to raise badly needed funds to support research into Canine Cancer treatments, early detection methods, affordable effective treatments and ultimately a cure.

We hope you will join us on **Saturday, May 7th at Elk Grove Regional Park** in Elk Grove as we walk for a better future for all dogs at the 3rd Annual K9 Cancer Walk benefiting Morris Animal Foundation's Canine Cancer Campaign. Celebrate your best friend or honor the memory of a beloved dog lost to cancer. Be a part of the K9 Cancer walks that have raised over \$290,000 for canine cancer research in the last 22 months.

Register by April 24th to benefit from early registration online registration fee of \$30 for adults and \$15 for kids 10 and over. Walk day registration is \$35. The walk includes a 1.5 mile walk or a short .5 mile walk, a canine health fair educational program and prize drawings. All walkers will receive a t-shirt and a bandannas for their dogs. Registration and check-in opens at 8:30 am and the Walk begins at 9:30 am The Health Fair will take place throughout the morning. To register online or download the registration form go to: K9CancerWalk.Org . Can't attend? You can support the walk as a "virtual walker" by selecting the "Sit and Stay" option, or make a tax deductible donation to support this national effort to help dogs live longer, healthier, cancer-free lives.

Sponsorship and vendor opportunities are also available, please visit the website for more information.

CATC Calendar and General Information

Standing Committee Chairs

2011 Specialty	Patty Gregg
Achievement Awards	Georgia McRae
ADOA	Kristi Burrus
Airedale Walks	Chris Hyde Sarah Roberts
AKC Delegate	Kayla Kurucz
Breeder Referral	Deirdre Hernandez
Centennial Yearbook	Nancy Bridge
Database /Mailings	Linda Botts
Education	Virginia Smith
Fun Day	Carol Kubiak Chair- Sarah Roberts CoChair
Golden Gate Décor	Carol Reynolds
Historian	Nancy Bridge
Judges Selection	Deirdre Hernandez Devon Allen
Membership/ Subscriptions	Georgia McRae
Newsletter	Patty Gregg
Rally Classes	Nancy Strohmaier
Rescue	Virginia Smith
Sanctioned Match	Chairperson needed
Sunshine Committee	Helen Piperis
Supported Entry	Chaz Frazier
Del Valle	
Trim & Train	Chairperson needed
Trophies	Kristi Burrus Devon Allen Deirdre Hernandez
Video Library	Carol Jaech
Ways & Means	Lowell Jennings
Website	Devon Allen Steve Hurst

2011 CATC Meetings, All Airedalers Invited

February 12, 2011	Home of Virginia & Lee Smith, Acampo
May 7, 2011	Home of Jim and Maxine Shear
August 6, 2011	TBA
October 15, 2011	TBA
December 10, 2011	TBA

Board Meetings 2011

January 15, 2011	Home of Virginia Smith
March 12, 2011	Dixon Fun Match
August 20, 2011	Home of Nancy Bougher
November 5, 2011	Home of Angie Shear

CATC Activities 2011

Trim and Train	Chairperson Needed
Rally. Obedience Classes	Chairperson Needed
Sanctioned Match	Saturday, June 4, 2011
Fun Day	Saturday, August 13, 2011
2011 Walks	March 19, May 8, July 9, Sept 11, Oct 29

2011 Spring Specialty Weekend	Thursday April 14—Sunday April 17, 2011
4 Conformation Shows	
4 Obedience Competitions	

ATCA National Specialty	October 10—
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CATC Officers

Deidre Hernandez, President
Patricia Gregg, Vice-President
Kristi Burrus, Secretary
Nancy Bougher, Treasurer

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2011: Angie Shear, Devon Allen,
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