



AIREDALE TERRIER CLUB OF GREATER PHILADELPHIA

A I R E W A V E S

March 2013

MESSAGE FROM YOUR PRESIDENT - William Kochler

It has been a pleasure to serve as your president these past three years--frustrating at times, but for the most part, an enjoyable experience. I do not, however, intend to fade away like General MacArthur's old soldier, but will continue to serve the club and our breed.

Quoting from one of my past columns, "Although we are a breed club, the majority of our members are pet owners. Recognizing this, more activities are being focused toward social ones to encourage more participation--especially among our new members."

This is a great way to get acquainted and share the experience of Airedale ownership. I have the feeling that some may be intimidated because their dogs are not of show potential or impeccably groomed. Far from the fact, we are all--first and foremost--owned by a wonderful pet. It is for this reason (I assume) that you joined the club. Your absence at activities was personally disturbing, and I ask myself: What is the club not doing to encourage your active participation? We want to help you increase your knowledge and enjoyment of your dog, as well as your appreciation for the Airedale breed through personal contact via club activities.

With this in mind, I ask each of you to support our new President in making this a banner Airedale year.

ATCGP 2013/2014 CALENDAR

1. March:
 - a. March 10th – Sunday, Annual luncheon
2. April:
 - a. April 19th – Friday, Open Membership Meeting
3. May:

- a. May 10th – Friday, ATCGP Supported Entry
- b. May 11th – Saturday, ATCGP Annual Specialty & Sweepstakes
- 4. August:
 - a. August 16th - Saturday, Open Membership Meeting
- 5. September:
 - a. September 21st – Saturday, Annual Match Show & Fun Day
- 6. October:
 - a. Montgomery – October 3rd – 6th
- 7. November:
 - a. November 17th – Sunday, Open Membership Meeting & Nominating Committee Selection
- 8. December:
 - a. December 15th – Annual Christmas Party and Chinese Auction
- 9. January:
 - a. January 25, 2014 – Saturday, Leigh Valley Kennel Club Canine Learning Experience

CANINE LEARNING EXPERIENCE

Once again, the Airedale Terrier Club of Greater Philadelphia participated in the Lehigh Valley Kennel Club's Canine Learning Experience at the Allentown Fair Grounds, on January 26, 2012.

The primary purpose of this event is to give the public an opportunity to learn about the various breeds. Manning the Club booth were Bill Kochler, Joan and Dave Herman with Cooper and Mike Lurski from the Airedale Rescue and Adoption of Delaware Valley.

There was a continuous flow of people throughout the day, to gain a hands-on-experience with Cooper, as well as partake of the many informational materials provided by the Club.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Per Article IV, Section 4 (b) of the By-laws, the Nominating Committee, consisting of William Kochler, Adele Abe, and Brenda McCann, reported the following nominations at the February meeting as follows:

President	Karen Coffey
Vice President	Judy Mullikin
Secretary	Brenda McCann
Treasurer	Ann Kochler

Directors

Adele Abe
Leslie Apple
Caroline Beard

William Kochler
Jack McLaughlin

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RESCUE - Mike Lurski

Thanks from our rescue group to ATCGP for inviting us once again to participate in January in the annual Canine Learning Exposition in Allentown. As usual, Bill Kochler was the most gracious of hosts and co-worker at our booth. Also, it was my pleasure to work alongside Dave and Joan Herman, and their young Airedale, the real "star of the show," Cooper. Cooper was a hit again, not unexpected, with the members of the public who visited our booth.

Though attendance seemed to be lower than in previous years, it was still a worthwhile, enjoyable day. We managed to speak with a good number of people as well as listen to others share their own Airedale stories, many from "long ago."

On the rescue and adoption front, two female rescues, both with some issues, were nonetheless successfully placed since January 1st, thanks to the outstanding effort of our placement director, Cindy Johnstonbaugh. Currently, a six-year-old female awaits adoption because her elderly owners needed to go into an assisted living facility. She has no behavior issues so Cindy is optimistic that we will find a home very soon.

On the personal front, Serafina and I have been the owners of a rescued female, seven-year-old Kelly, for over three months. We volunteered to foster her but, after a few days, as is often the case, we decided to adopt her. A large tumor next to her thyroid proved to be cancerous so that and half her thyroid had to be removed. Unfortunately, the cancer had also begun to metastasize. The original prognosis was for her to survive maybe six to nine months.

However, under the guidance of a veterinary oncologist, Kelly has been undergoing a relatively new treatment which involves extremely low, daily doses of oral chemotherapy along with an anti-inflammatory medication. This has been discovered to arrest or greatly slow the spread of certain cancers, including the aggressive type from which Kelly suffers. So far she has been thriving and the oncologist is hopeful that she may be with us for a much longer time than was first prognosticated. The particular treatment has also been successfully used with humans.

Anyway, after losing our two beloved males last spring, also to cancer, Kelly has proven to be a godsend. She is energetic, fun, a chronic busybody, and extremely friendly with both humans and other dogs. Life has become better for us.

PUPPIES

Karen Coffey, 610-220+5873, has a year old female available.

Dr. Valaria Rickard, 703-919-8753, has a new litter just whelped. Also a 10 month old male and female as well as a 6 year old male and female currently available.

BRAGS

One of our club members, DR. Valeria Rickard, was invited to show her two Grand Champions at the Eucanuba National Championship show in California. Her GCH CH Joval Angel's Whisper was selected as BOB and GCH CH Joval on Angel's Wings was BOS to his sister. Way to go, Val!!!

MONTGOMERY COUNTY KENNEL CLUB SHOW See the Montage on the last page

Montgomery Sunday dawned clear and cool. A great day for showing Airedales. Entries were 35 in the Puppy Sweepstakes, 6 in the Veteran Sweeps and 104 in the regular classes. It was a mass of beautiful animals all groomed to the nth degree and beautifully presented. Principal placements as follows (each time you see Joval, that is one of Valeria and John Rickard's breeding and they cleaned up):

15-18 mo. Dogs	Joval Arily Chariotz of Fire
Open Dog & BOW	Joval It's My Time
15-18 Bitches	Joval Sweet Time
American Bred Bitch	Joval Angel's Irish Mist
Open Bitch	3 rd Joval Angel's Pearl
	4 th Crescent's V Raynaire Russian Roulette, owned by Karen Coffey, etc.
Winners Bitch	Singing Hills Skylor of Waggin-Aire, owned by Bruce & Caron Jones & Scott & Dottie Boeving
BOB	GCH Joval Angel's Whisper
BOS	CH. Penaire's Chip Leader At Longvue, owned by Joan & William Clark & Todd & April Clyde.

VIOLET'S MODELING DAY

Back in February 2012 Violet Mae Eastburn was fortunate enough to participate in a photography project for a local photographer. Eric Lukavsky is currently taking photographs of regional AKC approved dogs. We contacted him and Violet was his Aire model on a cold, very windy day in February at Ridley Creek State Park.

Although Violet is not an AKC standard 'perfect Airedale Terrier specimen', she represented the happy go lucky, yet hunter driven attitude of the breed.

Thanks to Jack McLaughlin's perfect grooming session (albeit a few weeks old) she was ready to flaunt her stuff as the wind whipped her beard like a run way model's dress. We took many pictures in front of trees, buildings, gardens, and other cool areas in the park.

After overcoming a few squirrels and blowing leaf and stick distractions, she handled directions very well. Actually, the spotting of squirrels made for some interesting poses by our Aire girl. The photographer captured the essence of concentration when “prey” is spotted!

Of course she approved of the pictures herself!



Violet and Eric checking Eric’s work.



The ad by Eric with Violet, the star. Eric Lukavsky can be reached on his Facebook page and website.

Airedale Rules for Airedale Owners

1. The Airedale is not allowed in the house.
2. Okay, the Airedale is allowed in the house, but only in certain rooms.
3. The Airedale is allowed in all rooms, but has to stay off the furniture.
4. The Airedale is only allowed on the old furniture.
5. Fine, the Airedale is allowed on all the furniture, but is not allowed to sleep with humans in the bed.
6. Alright, the Airedale is allowed on the bed, but only by invitation.
7. The Airedale can sleep on the bed whenever it wants, but not under the covers.
8. The Airedale can sleep under the covers every night.
9. Humans must ask permission to sleep under the covers with the Airedale!
10. In all cases of dispute...

THE AIREDALE RULES!!!



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