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## **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:**

**Submitted by Lana Campbell, President**

Our beautiful fall is drawing to a close and as always Montgomery County Kennel Club is on the minds of Wheaten folk. The ultimate Terrier weekend; Montgomery is where we breeders and fanciers go to see the best of the best in our breed each year.

This year was no exception; great competition and all the camaraderie that goes with it. Congratulations to Peggy Gale (Spicy) and Shari & Sydney Robinson (Brittney) who both received Awards of Merit on Montgomery Sunday from breeder judge Candy Way! Great showing by the Canadians and our club members. The weather was on the cool and rainy side but the sun did come out just as the judging was finishing up on Sunday. Note to self for next year – take a down jacket!

Jack and I were very honored at this year's SCWTCA Annual Dinner to receive the Brenmoor Bred-By Challenge Award and the Dr. David Richard Linicome Memorial Trophy for Rhodes wins from the Bred-By Exhibitor class last Montgomery (2014).

I was able to speak to incoming SCWTCA President, Cecily Skinner, about looking into some joint fundraising efforts. I will keep you posted as we go forward with our discussion.

Our election for the 2016/2017 term of office for the SCWTAC is now completed and I would like to welcome all of our new and returning officers and directors. New faces on the Board include Barb Osborne (Sask), Louise Beakes Dubreuil (Quebec), Cathy Wesley (South Central Ont), Sandy Forbes (Eastern Ont), Rosemary Rogers (Atlantic) and Sylvia Hamilton (Treasurer). Dianne Mackie will be transitioning from her role as a Director to the position of Secretary. Welcome everyone!! Thank you so very much to those stepping down from the Board after this year; Jolijne Ubbink, June Widdis, Jacklyn Kerr and Cheryl Purpur. I have appreciated your energy, input and thoughtful consideration of the issues we have dealt with during this term. Thank you also to John Rogers and his able assistants for acting in the position of Returning Officer and counting the ballots in the contested regions. And lastly thank you to everyone who participated in the election, either by running for a position, returning to their current position and everyone who cast a ballot to determine who would represent their region on the Board. I am looking forward to the next 2 years as we continue to move forward with ideas and new goals for the association.

Happy Holidays to you and your Wheaties!!

Yours in Wheatens,

Lana Campbell

## **SECRETARY'S REPORT**

**Submitted by Cheryl Purpur, Secretary**

Welcoming new members to the SCWTAC:

Lori Sajjad and David Gusta of Edmonton Alberta. We will have an introduction to them as new members for the next issue of Wheaten Wags.



## REGIONAL DIRECTOR ELECTION 2016-2017

### RESULTS

QUEBEC - 5 ballots

Louise Beakes Dubreuil ..... 3

Katia LeMay ..... 2

SOUTH CENTRAL ONTARIO - 18 ballots, one ballot reported lost

Catherine Wesley..... 11

Kristen Williams ..... 7

ALBERTA - 9 ballots

Cheryl Werner..... 8

Cheryl Purpur..... 1

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## ALBERTA REPORT

Submitted by Cheryl Werner, Director

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Alberta members on electing me as their representative for the 2016-17 term. I am always interested in your stories, pictures and thoughts regarding our club and our dogs. Please stay in touch with me at [cwerner@shaw.ca](mailto:cwerner@shaw.ca).

This past September, Calgary held its annual “Beekerhead” festival, 5 days of science, art and engineering displays. One of the events was the Dog Orchestra, a project that was a couple of years in the making. During the audition the successful pooches were not chosen for their instrumental skills but their friendliness. The dogs were stroked, patted and scratched for 20 minutes straight and could not show signs of mouthing or biting. Instead of wearing tuxedos, the participants were fitted with booties made out of conductive fabric which were hooked up by clips and wires to a “makey makey” keyboard. When they are patted or rubbed it completes the circuit and triggers a piano tone. Each dog was given a conductivity rating out of 5 with super conductive being long butt pats. Dana Schloss (dog piano maker/dog tester) wrote the software composed by Laura Leif and every tone made by the dogs translated into a riff or chord which came together to make music. How cool is that!



Alvina and Tom Eaglesham welcomed the arrival of Siri’s first litter in late August. As an only pup Rover is a hearty and very entertaining boy. He’s sure to be a wonderful companion for his new home.



Speaking of first litters, I'd like to send out birthday wishes to Quincey who celebrated his 16th birthday in October. "Q" and his 10 litter mates were Montana's and my first litter. The puppies which were placed in Calgary became quite the celebrities as people either met them in person or knew someone who knew the pups. Sudden-

ly the city of one million plus seemed much smaller.

Congratulations to all the Canadians and their beautiful dogs who attended/ placed in the annual series of dog shows in Pennsylvania this fall. Always an exciting time I find that Montgomery signals the slow down to our Canadian dog shows and agility trials for the calendar year. We have 2 new Alberta champions, Christine Dore-Brown with Fiona and Lana with Rufus. With just a few shows left the litter mates are strutting their stuff to compete for the remaining points.

Our Calgary Agility Wheatens Jake, Alli and Willow along with owners Kevin Jorgensen (Darla Dickson) and others from their agility group perform during the Calgary stampede at the Hull Home. Hull Home is a preadolescent treatment program for kids with extreme maladaptive behaviours. Following the demonstrations the supervised kids visit with the dogs –a true test of character as the kids often act out. A win-win for every one!

## **ATLANTIC REGION REPORT**

**Submitted by Jacklyn Kerr, Rose Rodgers and Linda Martin**

A big Hello from The Atlantic Wheatens and their Owners.

We finally got out from under the winter snow and started Spring with our annual Walk on the Halifax Waterfront. This year it happened on May 3rd, instead of St Paddy's Day due to the weather. We had a great crowd of 22 Wheatens and over 40 humans! Our tailgate party followed on the grass of the Edward Cornwallis Park at the end of Hollis Street in Halifax. Coffee, hot chocolate, snacks and sweets were enjoyed by all. Elizabeth Grandy Cook, owner of two male Wheatens, started the Facebook group known as SCWTOAC, SCWT Owners of Atlantic Canada. It has proven to be a great source of Wheaten photos, tips to owners on health, diet, care and such and just a great sharing of information for owners scattered over the Atlantic Region.

Wheatens have been regularly appearing in the Terrier Group here after a noticed absence. Great wins, group placements and even a group first or two plus puppy in groups have been noted. We have a very tough group here with 13 and 14 breeds represented in many shows. A number of these Terriers are Best in Show



Winners so when a Wheaten places in the magic four it is something to be pleased about. There are also two to three Wheatens entered in Agility and holding their own as well. We now have breeders in all 4 provinces of the Atlantic and also showing in all 4 provinces. Linda Martin with hubby Hubert hosted our end of the Summer BBQ and had many new faces and new Wheaten owners, including Heidi Carr and Brian McEachern with their daughter, Paul & Tracey Burke with their daughter and the Haley's, Sue, Gord and Caitlin. Wheaten owner Sylvia Knight who also is a breeder of Australian Terriers, joined us with one of her Aussies who kept the pack lively. Linda did a mini grooming session for the group with focus on puppy trimming and using clipper attachments on your Wheaten as maintenance after the show season. Also a demo on doing a show trim on the head. Theo, Connie Hetzler's champion male, was a very patient model as well as Deirdre Curnew's new pup. Rose Rodgers did the 9 hour return trip from Cape Breton to join us for the day.

Winning Wheatens included Debby Stead's male Willie, who has finished his championship as a pup with some group placements as well as many BOB. Diane Brennan's Irish female gained points as well with Best of Breeds and new comers, Wendy & Jack Mac Keigan are enjoying their two junior puppies who made their debut in the October Shows in Truro. Their spirited gal has stolen the points from her brother and others so she's on her way. Linda Hauss finished her female Spices, Grand Championship. It is becoming exciting again in the Atlantic with Wheatens and their owners so it is great news. Congrats to all, whatever your Wheaten pastimes.

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## EASTERN ONTARIO REPORT

Submitted by Jolijne Ubbink, Director

An Invitation to Submit Photos of Your Wheatens for the SCWTAC Website: At the recent SCWTAC Board teleconference meeting, it was reported that Kate Judge and Lana Campbell are hard at work updating the SCWTAC website. They are seeking candid photos of members' Wheatens and would welcome submissions from members. (Photos must be copyright free.) Send your photos to Lana at [лана.campbell68@gmail.com](mailto:лана.campbell68@gmail.com) Eastern Ontario has a number of excellent photographers and our members should be able to make a great contribution to the website by sharing some of their favourite photos.



Seminar: "For The Love of Wheatens": The EOSCWT Club held it's annual "For the Love of Wheatens" health and welfare seminar on Sunday, October 18th at the home of Priscilla Tims. Fifteen owners of Wheatens enjoyed a lunch and lively discussion led by Dr. Paige Willis. Topics were generated by the attendees and included a wide range of questions that tapped into Dr. Willis' extensive experience as a veterinarian and as a Wheaten owner herself. Topics included first aid for dogs, care of geriatric dogs, use of supplements, cautions when using over-the-counter human medications, treatment for various symptoms (such as diarrhea), and dealing with dog-to-dog behaviours. For the latter, Dr Willis recommended a book by Turid Rugaas, a Norwegian dog trainer, titled "On Talking Terms with Dogs: Calming Signals" which explains the communication techniques used by dogs. (An internet search of "Turid Rugaas" is worth the effort.) And with regard to first aid for dogs, Dr. Willis recommended the website: [veterinarypartner.com](http://veterinarypartner.com) which is a website built by vets for pet owners and is a good source to research information on canine diseases, medications (including veterinary prescription meds), first aid, poison control, etc. Dr. Willis also suggested a good book by Amy Shojai entitled "The



First Aid Companion for Dogs and Cats”.

Upcoming EOSCWTC Club Meeting: Our next club event is a Potluck Meeting on November 22nd at 5:00 PM at the home of Wendy Murray, 396 West Ridge Drive, Stittsville (Ottawa).

Christmas Party: And our final event for this year is our annual Christmas Party and is scheduled for December 6th at 1:00 PM at the home of Priscilla Tims, 51 Roundhay Drive, Nepean (Ottawa).

Many thanks to Ron Holowka for sharing some of the photos he took during our ‘For Love of Wheatens Seminar’.



Here is a photo of Trumpette on her 18th Birthday. She’s a grand old girl! A bit hard of hearing now except when she hears the rustle of the treat bag. She is not as nimble on her feet, but still enjoys a good sniff and stroll around the yard.

New Director: At this time I would like to thank all the SCWTAC members of the Eastern Ontario area for their kind support during my term of office as your Director and welcome our new Eastern Ontario Director for 2016-2017, Sandy Forbes. Sandy comes to the task with a wealth of background experience and knowledge, both as a breeder of Wheatens (under the “Wheatworth” prefix) and as an active member of the Eastern Ontario SCWT Club. Thank you, Sandy, for stepping up to volunteer your services to the national club. Sandy, you will be called upon to start quickly because, at the SCWTAC Board meeting on October 26th, the next teleconference meeting of the SCWTAC Board was scheduled for January 10, 2016 at 7 pm EST.

## **NORTH/CENTRAL ONTARIO REPORT**

**Submitted by Peggy Gale, Director**

Thank you for the nomination and acclamation to serve as Director for Northern Central Ontario once more. Members are few in our large geographical area. Certainly, it’s difficult to hold Wheaten specific events in our towns. Luckily, many of our towns have strong local kennel clubs and private individuals that offer training classes for dog sports and obedience. Wheaten numbers in these classes have been increasing. Wheatens love working with their owners, no matter what the task. Whether trialling competitively or just going for the FUN - the benefits are amazing to see.

One of our members, Esther McGee, runs Kawartha Canine Dog Training in Lindsay and offers FUNgility classes for all breeds. (See photo of Esther with 4 dogs.) Esther always encourages all breeders to stress to their new puppy owners the importance of getting puppies out to classes early. The confidence building will benefit the dogs later in life in whatever sports they choose to compete in.

Sudbury District Kennel Club offers an ‘Intro to Dog Sports’ class. As a change from conformation class, I entered my ‘Cleo’ in this class. She ran through tunnels,



jumped through hoops and walked the teeter totter. Now she's even more confident in the show ring. Was great to see other members at Montgomery Dog Show. Proud to say, Pinehome's Cleo placed in the ribbons and Pinehome's Spicy won an Award of Merit! North Central Ontario was once again, well represented with quality Wheatens.

## MANITOBA REPORT

Submitted by Eileen Olensky, Director

August is when MCA the largest dog show is held outdoors in Winnipeg. Usually Mother Nature is very kind but not this time round. The winds and rain took over and set up was quite a challenge. Motor homes and trailers took over the paved parking lot. Well, you know the resilience of dog people: the show must go on! The sun came out and the grounds dried up sort of just in time for the Terrier Specialty. A very nice line up of Terrier breeds including one Wheaten Special. I give thumbs up for the Specialty Judge Margaret Jones. She gave an excellent critique on the winners and shared several stories with much humor at the Terrier dinner.

Congratulations to Terry with Darby on taking Group 2 and Group 4 at the Fort Garry Show in September. They also earned 2 legs towards the Intermediate Rally Title. Sometimes when things go really well for example during an Agility class Darby





did the course correct and didn't he know it. He joined his owner cheering.

November is the wind up for dog shows in Manitoba. The last show is held in Brandon Manitoba a good 3 hour drive from Winnipeg. Driving conditions are usually tricky to say the least. Well, maybe this year it will be different (as we put in our entries).

So far Winnipeg has experienced a nice fall. The Wheatens certainly enjoy the cooler fresh air. I don't mind losing them in all the leaves but it sure makes pick up harder to find. Not complaining as the shovel is still in the shed and the longer it says in there the better. Hopefully the weather predictions for above normal temps hold true.

## **SOUTH/CENTRAL ONTARIO REPORT**

**Submitted by Dianne Mackie, Director**

Please welcome Cathy Wesley as your new South Central Ontario Director for 2016. Congratulations, Cathy, I know you will do an amazing job.

Our local news focuses on puppies, puppies and more puppies! The last week in October was a busy week for local breeders. On Oct 27, Sylvia and Bill Hamilton had a litter of seven, lovely pups born to Bridget (3 males and 4 females). Sylvia reports Bridget is a super Mom to her puppies. Next litter was born a day later on October 28th. Cathy Wesley's Lyra had a litter of 7 (2 males, 5 females). Cathy had a really long, stressful day. Lyra end-



ed up with a late night trip to the vet for an emergency C-section. Cathy says she came very close to losing Lyra. However, within 24 hours, Lyra was doing well at home and is a great Mom to her babies. Lyra has recovered nicely – not so sure about Cathy! On October 30th, Angie De Bruyn's Kelsie, had a litter. Guess how many? The lucky number 7 once again – (2 males, 5 females). Puppies look lovely, reports Angie, and Kelsie is a very proud



Mom. Elena Lafferty also has a new litter of very nice puppies – 7 pups, the magic number 7 again (2 males, 5 females).

Show Results: Brady achieved two Group 4ths at Kilbride and District Kennel Club in August. Brady is owned by Elizabeth Stonehouse, bred by Cathy Wesley. At the Kent Kennel Club, Kristen William's male, Ethos, had a nice win with two back to back Best of Breeds.

At the recent Trillium Dog Show, Lindsay, Peggy Gale's Cleo took the breed on Friday.

Then on Saturday. Elizabeth Stonehouse' Brady, took the breed. Good sharing, Brady and Cleo! Sunday saw Cleo take the breed while Brady was 'Select'.

Thank-you, everyone, for the support and encouragement I have received over the past four years as your Regional Director. I have learned so much and met so many of our wonderful members. Its been a great ride and I wouldn't have missed this for the world! Thank you, Angie, for encouraging me to take this role.

I won't be far away - just taking on a new role as club Secretary. We have a great Board and Executive for 2016 and I am excited to work with everyone.

Best wishes for a Joyful Holiday Season with family and friends. I'm sure your Wheatens will be right in the midst of the celebrations!

Merry Christmas to all! See you in the New Year.

## **QUEBEC REPORT**

**Compiled by Dianne Mackie**

In January, Quebec will welcome its newly elected Regional Director, Louise Beakes Dubreuil. Congratulations, Louise! There has been no director in Quebec for many years which makes this special. Our Quebec members are a very active group and the club is thrilled they now have a representative. Expect to be hearing a lot from this group in the future.

Louise Beakes Dubreuil tells of some Wheaten Adventures:

*Aventures de deux Wheatens du Québec.*

*Aventure de Django:*

DJANGO "PORTE MOUSTIQUAIRE" Après deux porte moustiquaire défoncés par Django Voici le moustiquaire \*Anti-Django\* Les deux fois, il était dehors, il a vu son fils dans la maison et est parti en courant pour aller l'accueillir. L'accueil Wheaten vous connaissez sûrement La première fois il a fendu le moustiquaire en deux. La deuxième fois, il a arracher et carrément passer à travers du moustiquaire. Les petits Soleils font la job. Je vous le dis. Même pour aller chasser l'écureuil, il attend. Bon Wheaten, Django, tu as compris maintenant.

*Aventure de Highway*

Comme tout mon propriétaire de Wheaten Qui n'aime pas partir avec son Wheaten en pour une fin de semaine à hôtel, en exposition, ou simplement en vacances. Je connais une propriétaire qui a eu beaucoup de plaisir avec ses trois Wheatens à Hôtel. Highway avait été Super Sage toute la fin de semaine, dormi dans le lit avec les grands et tout super gentille. Au matin Diane l'attend descendre du lit et elle sommeille. Jusqu'à ce qu'un petit bruit la réveille , l'arrache de son sommeil complètement. Highway a décidé de payer la facture, que l'hôtel avait glisser sous la porte. GOOD GIRL. Le prix de la chambre demander à Highway-Adventures of two Quebec Wheatens.

Django's Adventure:

DJANGO and the "SCREEN DOOR" After two screen doors were smashed by Django, here is the solution: the \*Anti-Django\* screen door! Both times Django was outside. When he saw his son in the house, he ran off to greet him. You probably know the enthusiastic Wheaten greeting very well! The first time he split the screen in two. The second time he tore and downright passed through the screen.

The small plastic suns, attached to the screen do the job, I will tell you! Now, even to go squirrel hunting, he waits by the screen door. Good Wheaten, Django, you finally understand!



Highway's Adventure

As a Wheaten owner, who does not like to travel with their Wheatens to a hotel for the weekend, go to a show, or simply go on a vacation? I know one owner who had lots of fun with her three Wheatens in hotels. Highway had been very good all weekend, slept comfortably on the bed with the adults and all was super nice. In the morning Diane is sleeping in until a little noise wakes her up, completely taking away any chance of sleep. Highway has decided to pay the bill which the hotel had slipped under the door. GOOD GIRL. The price of the room? Ask Highway!



Diane Guillotte writes of her Montgomery experience and McLean:

We went to Montgomery for 4 days of agility trials and also wanted to see some conformation. I would like to thank SCWTCA for their hospitality.



They were so kind to us and made us feel right at home. Here is a group photo taken with the U.S. agility Wheatens.

We also decided to try some rally for our first time with the AKC. At the end of our course, the judge looked at McLean and I and said, "I don't know what to write,... because everything was perfect!" So proud of my Mc!!!

## LOCAL REPORTS

### SCWTFAO FUN DAY SEPTEMBER 13, 2015



#### Hosted by The Soft-Coated Wheaten Terrier Fanciers' Assoc. of Ontario


Well, we had a great turnout for our Annual Wheaten Fun Day picnic on Sept 16th despite the odd sprinkle of rain. We had some wonderful gifts donated by Frances Sealy and Laura Quirke and Sylvia Hamilton for our silent auction as well as beautiful framed prints donated by Lisa Compton and Elizabeth Stonehouse. We had an excellent turnout considering the weather forecast and we all had so much fun with all the contests. The kissing contest was won by Basia and her dog. Navi won the kissing contest with 88 kisses and Navi is one of the top Agility dogs in Canada. Basia trav-



Thank you to everyone who attended the  
**29th Annual Wheaten Fun Day Picnic!**

in Milton, Ontario on Sunday, September 13, 2015  
sponsored by the  
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# **CH EireGoBrach's Surfer Girl "Willow"**

**CKC Title: AG.NJ**

**AAC Titles: ADC & AGDC**

**2 Years Old**



Breeder: Darla Dickson & Shari Robinson

Owner Handled and Loved by Kevin Jorgensen and Darla Dickson

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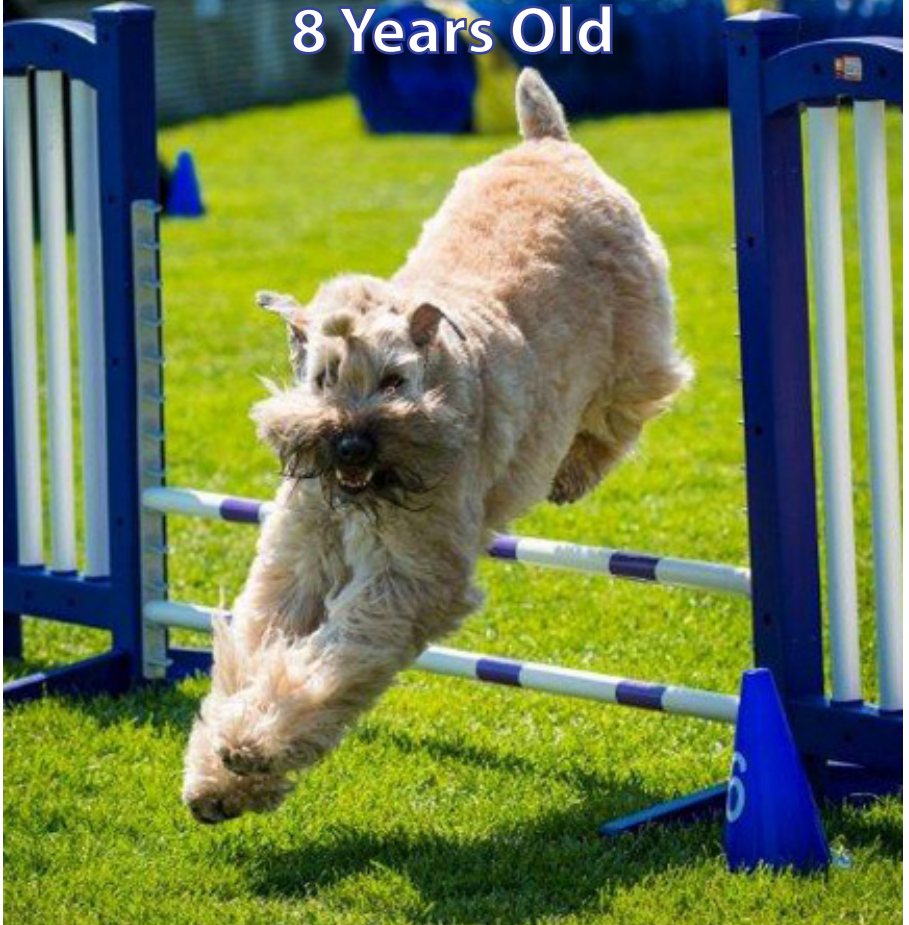
# CH Crumpland's Captain Jake "Jake"

CGN

CKC Title: AG.NJV

AAC Titles: AADC & AAGDC

8 Years Old



Breeder: Calvin & Karen Sontag

Owner Handled and Loved by Kevin Jorgensen & Darla Dickson

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elled all the way from Ottawa to attend. The best trick was won by Luanne and her dog Tucker and the best costume contest was the Pirate Wheaten Fergus owned by Frances Sealy. The football race was won by Dave and his Wheaten Lola who made it all the way without dropping the football. We had a great potluck lunch courtesy of all our attendees and of course all of our Wheatens enjoyed meeting new friends. A special thank you to Lisa Compton who donated her time to take family photos and email them to the families, also to all those who helped me out in preparing everything it was greatly appreciated. I hope to see you all again next year.

Cathy Wesley  
Fun Day Coordinator.

## CANADIAN AND SCWTAC MEMBERS AT MONTGOMERY

**Dianne Mackie, Roving Reporter for Wheaten Wags.**



Please note: Not all results are shown. I have tried to report accurately as best I could. Any results outside of the Specialty were submitted by members.



2015 was the 86th anniversary of Montgomery County Kennel Club. Since 1929, MCKC has never waived from its original

concept and continues to hold shows exclusively for Terriers. The show has grown over the years with a strong Canadian presence and visitors from all around the world. The Soft Coated Wheaten

Terrier Club of America holds its National Specialty here. In conjunction with this show are other local shows: Morris and Essex Kennel Club, Devon, Hatboro, Del Val (which



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was an additional specialty hosted in conjunction with Hatboro), Montgomery Terrier Agility Cluster (Obedience and Rally Fun Match, Obedience and Rally Trials), and Barn Hunt Trial.

The SCWTCA hosts an educational evening and dessert party. This year's seminars were on Movement, Grooming, Breed Type and Behaviour. The seminar on 'Movement' was expertly presented by SCWTAC members, Shari Robinson assisted by Sydney Robinson, her delightful daughter. Shutter, their beautifully behaved puppy, patiently stacked and stood still for all to admire.

The Wheaten Boutique is very popular! Breed clubs and individuals have lots of Wheaten crafts, clothing and gifts for sale. There are raffles to support Wheaten Rescues and the 2016 SCWTCA Wheaten Calendars on sale. Jolijne Ubbink had a very popular booth, selling her hand-made felted Wheaten crafts. Talented artist Dorice Stancher sold hand-painted crafts, including pottery, pillows, and note cards.



When the Boutique closes, next comes the Banquet which is followed by the Annual General Meeting and Awards Ceremony. Our President Lana Campbell and Jack Slack received a trophy awarded to the Owners of the Bred-By Exhibitor Dog class winner at the 2014 National Specialty. Lana (along with Beth Verner) was also awarded 'The Brenmoor Bred-By Challenge Award' for the breeders who accumulated most points from the Bred-By Exhibitor class. Congratulations to you both.

There was a touching video prior to the First Annual SCWTCA 'Lifetime Achievement Award' being presented to Jackie Gottlieb. Jackie is an early guardian and pioneer of our breed and an amazing mentor to many. She is now in her 90's. So well deserved!



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On Saturday afternoon, a must see event is the 'Puppy Sweeps'. USA members Patricia and Robert Robeski had a wonderful win: 'Best of Opposite' with 7 month old Devin (Greentree Luellan Unbridled Song). Stella (Bryr Rose Moon N'The Stars) owned by Lana Campbell, Jack Slack & Carolyn Garrett, came second in a large class of 6-9 month old puppies.



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Other results from members on Montgomery Sunday include: Puppy 6-9 mos Dogs: Greentree Luellen Unbridled Song 4th in class; owned by Pat & Bob Robeski, Bev & Kevin MacDonald Bred by Exhibitor Dogs: Keepsake Timtara Jedi Master 3rd in class; co-owned by Shari Robinson and bred by Shari Robinson, Sydney Robinson and Priscilla Tims. Puppy 6-9 mos Bitches: Bryr Rose Moon N' The Stars 2nd in class; owned by Lana Campbell, Jack Slack & Carolyn Garrett. O'Mannion Keepsake Blinded by Rainbows 4th in class; owned by Sydney Robinson, Shari Robinson, Joanne Manning. Puppy 9-12 mos Bitches: Keepsake Timtara Ima Rockstar 2nd in class; Breeder/Owners Shari Robinson,



Sydney Robinson, Priscilla Tims. Open Bitches: Pinehome's Clever One, 4th in class, Breeder/owner Peggy Gale. In attendance: WheatnBrooks Long May You Run, breeder/owner Kristen Williams and Ch Mackanme Without Warning, breeder/owner Jeri Voyles.



Best of Breed Competition included 45 Specials – Wheatens who have already completed their Championships:

Award of Merit: Am./Can. GrCh Keepsake's Soul Surfer. Bred by Shari Robinson, Sydney Robinson, Linda Thompson. Owned by Shari and Sydney Robinson

Award of Merit: GCH Pinehome Merrimoor Cametodance. Bred by Peggy Gale. Owned by Linda Hallas

USA member Kathi Elliot took Select Dog with GCH Show-well's Bree's Boy Toy (Stud Dog) and Brood Bitch with GCH Ainle Villanova mouth of the South. Always fun to see the Brace: Ch Ainle Gift of the Gab (owner Kathi Elliot) and GCH Ainle Money



Talks (co-owner Kathi Elliot).

Hatboro: BOS and Award of Merit; Morris & Essex: Award of Merit: GCH Lil'Town Fiddler's Lullaby of Ardnacassa. Out of Kristen Williams male: Am Can Ch Modny Style Great Expectations.



Results from Agility: Diane Guillotte's McClean (Marolou Run McClean) qualified 6 out of 8 times, making him the Wheaten with the most qualifying runs in the ring. Bree (Marolou Bree Egan)

who is amazing at 13 years 6 months old, also qualified.

Results from Rally: McLean (Marolou Run McClean) had 2 runs in Novice Rally and qualified both times.



Highway, (Marolou Highway) Diane Guillotte's young female, made 2 runs in her first Novice Rally competition, qualifying both times.

Barn Hunt Results: Can Ch Holweit's Red Grenadine (Krista) earned the title of RATN, Barn Hunt Novice, at Kimberton. Its amazing to see Krista and Dorice in action!

All in all, Montgomery was a wonderful experience. We are not mentioning the tumultuous rain storms, wind, bitter cold, folks struggling to keep their dogs dry, warm and mud-free; nor the fact that the Devon show was cancelled due to the soggy, muddy ground. It's all part of the experience and memories.

The highlights for me truly were: the lovely fall colours on the drive to and from Pennsylvania; travelling there with always



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The **ultimate** brother,

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Keepsake Timtara Jedi Master



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Montgomery County Kennel Club  
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Bucks County Kennel Club  
**Miss Jennifer A. Moore**  
S.C.W.T Fanciers Assoc. of Ontario  
**Mrs. Betty-Anne Stenmark**



*Bred by Shari & Sydney Robinson, Linda Thompson  
Presented by Sydney Robinson*

cheerful Anne Holahan; staying at the DoubleTree Hilton in Valley Forge with roommates Jolijne and Anne; breakfast and dinner with friends; meeting new friends; seeing so many Wheaten friends from across Canada and the U.S., the gracious hospitality and kindness of the American club, definitely seeing so many beautiful and well-groomed Wheatens; the excitement leading up to the Specialty and of course, the Specialty itself.

I hope every Wheaten lover has the chance to go to Montgomery at least once.



## TRICK TRAINING

By Dorice Stancher, MBA, CPDT-KA, CTDI

Eternal Tricksters: Online Learning and a New Program Helps All Wheatens Excel

Want to get pet owners to train those new puppies right into adulthood? The answer may be simply introducing them to the “Do More With Your Dog” program created by famous Hollywood trainer and AKC Competitor, Kyra Sundance. This goal-oriented program creates a solid foundation of obedience in the format of simple “tricks” which owners track and apply to titles. Many of the behaviors recognized can actually be found in parallel tests such as the AKC STAR puppy program and the AKC Canine Good Citizen program. And there are also more complex behaviors that can possibly land a movie role.

Dr. Cindy Otto, Executive Director and Founder of the Penn Vet Working Dog Center credits the program with saving her relationship with her dog, a Bichon mix that had flunked obedience. She feels that this program is less stressful than obedience tasks, yet keeps dogs learning. “The component of failure is not there,” she said. “Older dogs, young dogs are engaged and vibrant and the pedestal training helps with veterinary exams too,” said Otto. She is certified as a trick trainer with the program and recently held a workshop for pet owners. As the DMWYD program grows globally it is only a matter of time before we see more Wheaten Terriers listed on the website’s “wall of champions”.

There is no compulsion or aversive training here. The accent is on fun and positive reinforcement to create drive for both the human and canine partner. The behaviors are applicable to many AKC competitive



venues including conformation, obedience, agility and more. But the best part is that owners can access learning videos and be a part of an online community of fellow tricksters for free.

The SPARK teams found on Facebook start the first of every month and guide participants through a list of behaviors to title at one of several levels. Each week new videos are posted and participants are encouraged to “strut their stuff” and earn titles. By reducing the barriers to training, including accessibility and cost, and encouraging creativity and training in all settings, people of all ages and socio-economic backgrounds worldwide have embraced the program. And it continues to grow and benefit all types of dogs. Senior dogs needing mental stimulation can work with modified skills and dogs with anxiety thrive and develop confidence as they build a relationship based on trust, praise and having a good time learning.

Most recently I have incorporated trick training into not only my classes and private training, but with training my very own Wheaten Terriers and have found it to be quite addictive. Once you see what the breed is capable of as mastery reveals amazing feats, it is enticing and a little addictive to venture on and experiment pushing things further. Here’s to having more fun and embracing the joys and adventures of training!

For more information on the program visit: <http://domorewithyourdog.com>

## THE DOG SPORT...SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE

The dog sport offers many different and varied competitive events/activities you and your dog can enjoy. While many of us compete in the conformation ring, participating in any dog sport is a great opportunity for fun and to meet fellow dog lovers. The dog sport builds confidence, burns off mental and physical energy, and reinforces the bond between dog and owner. Because our Wheatens are enthusiastic, energetic, and eager to please, many do quite well. Here are a few to consider:

**By Betsy Geertson and Helen Fraguela**

**Published Courtesy of Benchmarks.  
(Adapted for Canada)**



**CANINE GOOD NEIGHBOUR (CGN):** The CKC Canine Good Neighbour (CGN) Program is designed to recognize dogs who have good manners at home and in the community. This rapidly growing, nationally recognized program, stresses responsible dog ownership



for owners, basic training and good manners for dogs. All dogs that pass the 12 step CGN testing receive a certificate from the CKC. This training is the first step in training dogs and

laying the foundation for other CKC activities.

**THERAPY DOG:** Wheaten Terriers make friends wherever they go and it should come as no surprise that they excel at therapy work provided they receive



obedience training and have the right temperament, A CGN is a good starting point. Anyone who has felt a connection with a pet and experienced that unconditional love, understanding, and acceptance knows the value of a pet's companionship. These qualities make dogs ideal therapeutic visitors for hospital patients and other medical facilities. St John Ambulance Therapy Dog Program and Therapeutic Paws are two national organizations which certify therapy dogs.

**RALLY:** Rally is a great stepping stone from the CGN program to the world of obedience or agility. It offers an experience that is fun and energizing. Rally was designed with the traditional pet owner in mind, but can still be very challenging for those who enjoy higher levels of competition. Scoring is not as rigorous as traditional obedience. There should be a sense of teamwork between the dog and handler. The main objective of rally is to produce dogs that are trained to behave in the home, in public places, and in the presence of other dogs, in a manner that will reflect positively on the sport of rally at all times and under all conditions.



**OBEDIENCE:** This demonstrates the usefulness of a dog as a companion to humans. Trials highlight the human-canine bond in an impressive show. Each level



of obedience competition requires mastering a specific skill set, increasing in difficulty, before advancing to the next level. Good canine companion skills exercise the dog in the most challenging class. These include; heeling, both with and without a leash, coming when called, standing in both sit and down positions with a group of dogs, retrieving and jumping challenges, scent discrimination, directed retrieves, with jumping and silent signal exercises.

**AGILITY:** Running a dog in an agility trial is the ultimate game for you and your





dog and is an exciting spectator sport. This form of dog competition, where the animal's fitness and the handler's ability to train and direct the dog, are tested to the max. Agility is a highly competitive sport in which handlers direct their dogs over a timed obstacle course. Dogs race against the clock as they jump over hurdles and through tires, climb and descend ramps, dart through tunnels, maneuver across seesaws, and weave through a line of poles. The goal is to complete the obstacle course in the shortest possible time without any errors. It is fast, furious, and a great favorite with competitors and spectators.

**HERDING:** The purpose of competitive herding trials is to preserve and develop the herding skills inherent in the herding breeds and to demonstrate that they can perform the useful functions for which they were originally bred. Although herding trials are artificial simulations of pastoral or farm situations, they are standardized tests to measure and develop the characteristics of the herding breeds. Dogs must have training and prior exposure to livestock before being entered in tests or trials. Both parent and local clubs should provide opportunities for such training and exposure.



**K9 SCENT WORK:** K9 Scent

work is a sport sanctioned by the National Association of Canine Scent Work (NACSW) in the USA. It is patterned after the training of Detection Dogs and borrows elements of that for recreation. The Founders of NACSW are from California where the sport quickly spread. In the last few years, it has come to the East Coast, mostly in the Northeast where it is spreading like wildfire. Most likely you will be hearing more about this in Canada too.

**TRACKING:** Tracking is a natural fit for Wheatenens. It combines the ability of a dog to use its nose and the dog's natural ability to lead. Dogs have a very highly developed sense of smell, at least 100,000 times stronger than humans. It's the reason that dogs are often trained to find lost people and animals, drugs,



bedbugs, and disaster victims. Dogs are also trained to detect cancer and alert for oncoming seizures. Tracking is a canine sport that demonstrates a dog's natural ability to recognize and follow a scent. In tracking the dog is completely in charge, and it is the handler's responsibility to teach the dog to follow a scent and then learn to read the dog after he has that skill. For many people the greatest pleasure in tracking are the hours spent outside training with their dogs, leading to the thrill of the competition when he finds the glove at the end of the track.

**BARN HUNTING:** This is a fairly new sport in Canada. Fascinating to watch as the dogs search the hay bales, (simulating a farm environment), for a rat protected in a canister. As farm dogs in Ireland, Wheatens seem to have a natural passion for this sport. Barn Hunting measures the hunting instinct of the dog and the handling abilities of the handler in a fun and competitive environment. There are different levels to progress through from Instinct to Masters to Championship,



# SPOTLIGHT ON SPORTS

This issue of Wags profiles some of our very talented Wheatens. Wheatens are high achievers in Agility, Rally and other sporting activities. Willing to please and intelligent, Wheatens have proven themselves to be keen, enthusiastic learners.

It is our hope these success stories will inspire you to do more with your Wheatens

### **Wheaten Terriers are Good Sports!**

**Submitted by Dorice Stancher, MBA, CPDT-KA, CTDI**

Competing in performance events can be lots of fun but it can also be a bit stressful too. And when I need to refresh our training there is nothing better than hitting the road to adventure and trying a new outdoor activity.



It is al-

ways a good idea to make sure you and your dog are in good physical health before participating in any strenuous activity. And be sure to start slowly and build up to higher activity levels.

When I was told Wheaten Terriers were stubborn and untrainable I set out to

participate in as many fun activities that I could think of that we would both enjoy. And since our dogs truly are our companions, our activities span all four seasons. And what fun we are having!

In the spring we engage in cross-country skiing, with the dogs in harness attached to a bungee line and quick release harness on my belt. We began in small increments at a clinic in Lake Placid and stick to wide trails that are filled with fluffy snow.

When summer arrives we hike, we swim, we standup paddle board and kayak, and the dogs even have their own surfboard. Riding waves in the ocean takes good balance, and we practice in the off season on a balance board to make this as natural as can be. The girls wear a life jacket in the lakes and ocean since it is much easier to grasp a wet dog when they have a handle!

The fall brings with it hikes among the blazing red maple trees but always on a long line in case there is wildlife. In NJ there have even been restrictions and park closings due to aggression from our black bear population. And in NY State timber rattlesnakes are found in the Southern Adirondacks. We like to stick to the wide open trails and go where there is no hunting wearing bright colors and the dogs wearing bright vests too.

And as winter approaches we are getting in better shape running and practicing pulling with a harness, as we know the snow will be on its way and it will soon be time to go dog sledding. There are only three sled manufacturers in the United States and ours came from a gentleman in Pennsylvania. He taught us to aid the dogs by using a kick motion pushing as on a scooter. We typically go out on Mirror Lake when frozen and covered with light snow which makes it fast and fun. The sled weighs just 20 lbs. and made with deer sinew, and has slick plastic runners allowing it to move effortlessly.

However you choose to enjoy your Wheatens, sporting activities can really add another dimension to your relationship and keep you both fit and happy.

### **Triple the Fun**

**Submitted by Darla Dickson**



Darla Dickson and Kevin Jorgensen welcomed their first Soft-Coated Wheaten Terrier in 2007 from Calvin and Karen Sontag, Crumpland Kennels. Jake earned his Canadian Championship Title in Conformation and has worked toward his American Championship in Conformation. Jake also received his CGN (Canine Good Neighbor) designation through the

CKC in 2011. Jake completed his companion dog training with Sit Happens in Calgary, AB. Jake began training in Agility at Auburn Mist Agility and at the Super Dog Spectrum in Calgary, AB. Jake received the designation of ADC (Agility Dog of Canada) through the Agility Association of Canada in April 2014. He went on to receive his Starters Games Dog (SGDC) in January 2015 and his Advanced Games Dog of Canada (AGDC) in May 2015. To date Jake holds two AAC titles. Jake received the Overall Highest Qualifying Score in Agility by a SCWT presented at the SCWT Specialty in 2013.

With the arrival of our second Wheaten, Aili, from Shari Robinson, Keepsake Wheatens, our lives became busier. Kevin transformed our basement into an agility training centre. He began weekly training with Jake with a local agility group while Darla showed Aili to finish in Conformation.

Our third addition to EireGoBrach is Willow. Willow was our pick of Aili's 2013 litter sired by Canadian Grand Champion/American Champion Greentree Keepsake Surfin'USA. Willow received her Canadian Championship in Conformation and is showing great potential in Agility. Kevin and Willow received the Torvers Lakelands Memorial Trophy presented by Graham and Lahni Thompson "To The Starters Team Showing Outstanding Potential" in May 2015 at a Calgary Agility Association Trial. Willow has achieved her AGNJ (Novice Standard and Novice Jumpers with Weaves) with the CKC. She is fast and agile!

It is delightful to see how much they enjoy the sport. We look forward to many more Agility events.

## **Addicted to Agility**

### **Submitted by Diane Guillotte**

As you know by now, we are addicted to agility, obedience and rally. It is a new challenge each time we have a puppy and "Highway" is my newest Wheaten pup. It makes me see our sport with new eyes; makes me explore new ways to obtain my goals which are higher every year.

Why do we participate in sports? Each time I experience an activity with my dogs, we feel a panel of emotions; occasionally bad, but most the time it is positive. We get to build a special bond that otherwise I would have never felt with my dogs. The sport helps us stay in shape, keep good health, pushes us to go out of our comfort zone and to surpass ourselves, allows us to meet with other folks with the same interests. But most importantly, we do this sport because we have so much fun!



Whether you are young or old, everybody can participate in this sport. It is also true for the dogs, because we have a class for veteran dogs, and a special class for dogs who have health problems.

When we went to Montgomery, Pennsylvania, we competed at the big Terrier show and saw many Wheatens there. I must confess that it helps me put things in perspective. Too often, our coach and I compare our teams with the working dogs and we set our goals very high. This is a good thing, however we often forget that we play with Terriers. This does not mean that we cannot be as good as the others, yet we have to be a little more indulgent with our dog's performances.... sometimes! I should think more often like a Wheaten, Hahahah.

I recommend that all of you try at least one course with a teacher who understands Terriers and then you will be addicted too!

Co-Editor's note: Diane Guillotte has 3 Wheatens. Bree was Best Agility Wheaten in Canada for 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013 and Second Agility Wheaten in 2014 at the amazing age of 12 years! Bree was also First Agility Dog in Canada, All Breeds, for 2011, 2012, 2013. At age of 12, Bree was 10th Agility dog in Canada, All Breeds. Bree, now 13, still has fun in the competition rings.

McLean was Second Agility Wheaten in Canada, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013. In 2014 he was Best Agility Wheaten in Canada. 2014 saw McLean as Second Agility Dog, All Breed, in Canada.

Remarkable achievements! We can't wait to see what Diane's lovely new pup, Highway, will achieve!

## **Stetson... The Agile Wheaten**

### **Submitted by Isabelle Bouchard**

Born August 2011, Stetson came to live with us in October. I wanted a big, fast and crazy boy so I could do agility. Always be careful what you wish for!!! What a ride! Stetson is becoming more and more focused in the agility ring; he loves to work (sometimes too much). He is a spectacular dog to watch and I often receive compliments on his athletic abilities. Our connection is ever increasing and I am sure we will achieve great things... in our own world.

I came to realize that all breeds do not



learn the same way and that all dogs are individual beings. Your responsibility is to bring the best out of your dog. That, I believe, is your most important job as a handler. I am lucky (and ecstatic) to have found a fantastic instructor, trainer and coach in Tiffany Salmon of Manotick who is an accomplished international agility competitor. She is able to impart her knowledge in a fashion compatible to my learning style. Why she took us on, as I know she is in demand, I will never know, but the progress we made since then is amazing! We still have work to do (and that is the great thing about dog agility, you always have work to do), but both Stetson and I are up to the challenges.

We are competing in agility in the CKC and the AAC venues. We have achieved a title in each. As of September 26, Stetson has added ADC to his name for Agility Dog of Canada. We worked hard for this one, so are quite happy! Life is all about progress We hope to add UKI and USDAA to our venues in the coming years. Thank you, Lindy Martin, for the great action photos.

But with all this being said, Stetson's "after-trial" routine is to jump on his Daddy for a well deserved snooze as soon as we return home! Lap dog and agility dog; what else can you wish for? We love him very much.

Our journey began in Lindsay with Esther McGee of Erinisle Wheatens when she entrusted our little athlete to us. Thank you, Esther.

### **Willing To Work!**

**Submitted by by: Marilyn Zeldin.**

"Wheatens are too hyper to be therapy dogs!" "Wheatens don't have the concentration or focus to be good agility dogs!" We've heard it all, I am sure.

In my experience, it comes down to finding our dog's strengths and working from there.

With this in mind, it became apparent to me that Quinn (about 2 years old, at the time) had the characteristic qualities necessary to become involved in the St. John Ambulance Therapy Dog programme. The process began shortly after a chance encounter we had with a teenaged girl, while heading into work one day. The young lady was visibly upset about something. She was having a conversation with a young man who was trying to calm her down. As Quinn and I approached, I asked if everything was ok. She nodded, 'yes'. As I was asking, Quinn took it upon herself (rather in-





I loved raising the puppies but often stressed myself out worrying about whether or not I had placed the right puppy in the right home.

I feel I have been truly blessed to have found such loving, caring homes and so many of them keep in touch with notes and pictures and I make sure they realize how much I appreciate it.

This one gave me goose bumps and brought the tears to my eyes!

**Way to Go Marilyn and Quinn!!**

Aldene Carter  
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sistently) to go up to the girl and sit on her feet. Then she turned to face the young lady and wanted to put her paws up on her legs, which the girl accepted and then crouched down to hug Quinn. Well, a new friend was made through tears and tail wags! Quinn snuggled in between her knees and wouldn't budge until the young lady had settled down.

The sensitivity and empathy shown by Quinn to a complete stranger in distress, was mind-blowing and heartfelt all at once. The next few months were spent applying and training for our SJA evaluation.

Fast-forward, and we are happily making regular visits to 2 groups of special needs high school students. One group in particular, is made up of six young men with Autism who are all uncommunicative. After our first six months of visits, a milestone was reached when a couple of them began to show awareness and recognition of Quinn's presence! This past fall semester has also seen one young man who was hesitant, actually smile and engage with Quinn for the first time! The teacher and I both had to try our best to hold it together, as we witnessed the power of this silent communication between one very special Wheaten and one very special young man!

We also participate in university exam time 'stress-buster' events, where Quinn gets to show off her smile, share some tricks, toys, belly rubs and of course, Wheaten kisses!

Being a dog that loves to 'work', Quinn has also landed in the world of agility, where we are currently taking beginner classes. It's been several years since I have participated in agility training. It is a wonderful refresher for me, and a great workout for both mind and body for Quinn. She is quick to learn and will certainly keep me on my toes!

I would be remiss in not mentioning the gratitude I have in being able to share my life with Quinn, and all the wonderfully whacky Wheatens before her. Lovingly bred by Aldene Carter (Waggish Perm. Reg'd), Quinn embodies the best in soul and spirit of the breed! I am proud, blessed and thankful for every moment we share.

Hopefully, I can update on our agility adventures, in the near future.

(Written by: Marilyn Zeldin. Owned and loved by Soft-Coated Wheaten Terriers since 1989)

## **The Past Nine Years**

### **Submitted by Basia Falicki**

It is impossible to describe Navi's personality in just a few words. She's quirky, fun, crazy, enthusiastic, bouncy... I can go on and on!

Navi absolutely loves the world but if there is one thing this crazy bearded lady lives for, it's food! From the moment this mischievous monkey made her way into my life at 8 weeks of age, she's never been picky. Let it be a piece of kibble or even a tablet of glucosamine, she will work her heart out for it!

The first time both Navi and I have been exposed to agility was back when Navi was 7 months old. At that age, Navi was a spastic bundle of energy. We took a couple of puppy introduction classes but we didn't do more than that. Instead, I decided to pursue Obedience and focus our time and energy on that formal ac-



tivity.

Being so easily motivated and having great eye contact, Navi was able to excel in her obedience classes. When I gathered enough courage, I began entering Navi in trials. In only 5 Novice trials, she racked up 3 impressive qualifying scores; one of



which was a score of 196/200 and a High In Class, and ultimately, her CD title just before her 3rd birthday!

After being awarded the CD title, Navi and I tried other dog sports such as the open level of Obedience and Rally Obedience. What Navi and I lacked from these activities was something upbeat and with a touch of wild side. What have we been missing out on? . . . Agility!!

I was fortunate to find a couple of good instructors and attended their classes. Navi and I didn't do any intensive training. We had our agility class once a week and some homework to practice the basics. Initially, Navi was fearful of the teeter totter and dog walk but soon realized there was nothing to be afraid of. Tunnels have been her favourite from the get go!

In 2014, I entered Navi in her first agility trials. At 8 years of age, I decided to enter her in the veteran classes. In absolutely no time at all, Navi scooped up both her Starters titles with the Agility Association of Canada (AAC) that year: Agility dog of Canada (ADC) and Starters Game Dog of Canada (SGDC).

We also began trialing under the CKC and were able to get a few scores towards the Novice titles.

In 2015, we dove into the Advanced trials with the AAC and Navi got her next title: Advanced Agility Dog of Canada (AADC). We are only missing 4 more clear runs to get the Advanced Game dog title.

With the CKC trials, Navi earned both her Novice titles: Agility Novice Veteran (AgNV) and Agility Novice Jumper Veteran (AgNJV). In addition to this, Navi zipped through and got one of her Intermediate CKC agility titles: Agility Intermediate Jumper Veteran (AgIJV). We are just missing one more clear run for the AgIV!! We ran into trouble with the weaves.. I've been calling Navi my little "Weave-ist". Haha!

The past 9 years with Navi have been full of lively adventures and we have many more to come! I am so proud of my crazy little dog!!

# Krista

## Canadian CH Holweitz's Red Grenadine

CGCA, CGCU, RN (CKC/AKC), Therapy Dog THD (AKC) Herding Tested HT (AKC) and RATN (BH)



### **Krista did more than smell a rat, she found it!**

Krista found her rat in just 39 seconds earning second place and qualifying for her new RATN (Barn Hunt Novice) title at the Barn Hunt held at Kimberton during Montgomery Week.

Rat hunting requires not only being fearless tunneling through and climbing tall hay bales - it also requires focus, obedience, and communication between the dog and handler to find the unknown whereabouts of the rat.

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Friday, August 7, 2015

Under International Judge Jean Paul Kerihuel



Owner: Elizabeth Stonehouse

Handler: Peter Scott

Bred By: Catherine Wesley - Honeywheat Kennels

Thank you, Cathy, for being an excellent mentor.

# Devin

## Greentree Luellen Unbridled Song

CH Wheaten Rebel's Take A Ticket To Greentree x GCH CH Greentree Rachael Alexandra



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Club of America  
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Thank you judge Pam Mandeville!



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