



# AIREDALE TERRIER CLUB OF METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON, DC, Inc.

## Newsletter

[www.atcmw.org](http://www.atcmw.org)

November 2010



**Mission Ready**

## President's Message

October is always a wonderful month for Airedalers! First we have Montgomery weekend, which actually used to be just a weekend. The Devon and Hatboro shows were held on Friday and Saturday, and then on Sunday the Airedale Terrier Club of America held its National Specialty and Sweepstakes at the Montgomery Kennel Club's All Terrier Show. (Hence the name "Montgomery weekend.")

Over the years, obedience and agility events have been added and now the "weekend" begins on Tuesday with all Terrier agility trials, and continues throughout the entire week with all Terrier and Airedale only obedience and rally events. When the weather is good it is a sublime event. When the weather is bad, and it can be very, very bad, it is still a sublime event but a challenging one! Showing dogs in pouring rain or 5 inches of mud (that year was nicknamed Mudgomery) takes incredible fortitude and dedication. Actually, spectating under those conditions takes the same qualities! Still, every Airedale admirer should try to include at least one trip in his lifetime to the events of that week. It is an amazing adventure.

The weekend after Montgomery was our Airedale Square, held after Airedale judging at the Catonsville Kennel Club dog show held at Howard County Fairgrounds. Having come on board as your President rather unexpectedly, I didn't get to the powers that be to request a later judging time for Airedales. So we were assigned a 9 am judging time, and with only 5 Airedales entered, judging wasn't going to last very long! With Airedale adaptability, we decided to opt for a BRUNCH rather than our usual lunch, and we all got together at 10 am with a delicious combination of breakfast casseroles, bagels, sweet rolls, fruit, coffee and so much more! Nora Dudman did her usual outstanding job of organizing, setting up, seeing to it that everyone had plenty to eat, and then breaking down and cleaning up afterwards. The food was delicious and there were many new faces among the attendees, all of who had such a good time that they are applying for membership to the ATCMW! And Pam McKusick and Ed Burns set up and manned the table for the rescue sales items.

If you've never attended, you are missing a wonderful opportunity to visit with other Airedalers and their dogs and to shop at the great variety of vendors who attend this multiple day show site.

October was also a good month for our Rescue Committee's fund raising activities. Two limited raffles were held, the first for a rare acrylic Ric Chashoudian Airedale statue and the second for a truly beautiful quilted Christmas wall hanging made and donated by Jeanne Esmond. Both raffles sold out quickly and raised a total of \$1800.00 for rescue activities. Linda Buonauro (NJ) won the drawing for the statue, and Pam Napier-Pfaff (GA) won the quilted wall hanging. Thanks to everyone who made these fundraising events so successful.

The final fund raising event of the year for rescue will be held at the November 13<sup>th</sup> luncheon meeting. There will be a number of "theme" baskets that will be raffled off. Tickets will be sold at the meeting and the drawing held after lunch. The first ticket drawn will have first choice of the baskets; the second ticket drawn will have second choice and so on.

The last club event of this year will be the Scottish Walk in Alexandria on December 4<sup>th</sup>. Watch the web site at <http://www.airedales-dc.org> for more details!

Happy Airedaling!

Corally Burmaster

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### Club Events 2010

Saturday, November 13

Club Luncheon, meeting & program  
Cedar Knoll, Alexandria, VA

Saturday, December 4

Scottish Walk Parade  
Alexandria, VA

Club Officers

President	Corally Burmaster
Vice President	Russ Hammond
Corresponding Secretary	Jeanne Esmond
Recording Secretary	Margie Goodyear
Treasurer	Nora Dudman

#### Directors

Karl Broom  
 Malcolm Graham  
 Joan  
 Pam McKusick

#### Committee Chairs/Coordinators

Airedale Rescue	Pamela McKusick
Airedale Square	Nora Dudman Ch Debra Bohle Susan Crawford Kathryn Pickard
Breeder Referral	Pamela McKusick
Catonsville KC Liaison	Nora Dudman
Fund Raising	Marie Hammond Ch Pamela McKusick Ch Jeanne Esmond Nancy Delea
Grooming Sessions	Nancy Flowers
Historian	Eleanor Taylor
Membership	Corally Burmaster
Match	Malcolm Graham Ch Franklin Bohle
Newsletter	Jeanne Esmond
Picnic	Nora Dudman Ch Debra Bohle Susan Crawford Kathryn Pickard
Scottish Parade	Susan Crawford
Specialty Ads	Mike Khoury
Specialty Show	Russ Hammond
Trophies	Karl Broom
Website	Karl Broom

#### The Club objectives are:

- (a) to encourage those who breed Airedale Terriers, to do so responsibly and with the welfare and improvement of the breed having highest priority;
- (b) to urge members and breeders to accept the standard of the breed as approved by the American Kennel Club as the only standard of perfection by which Airedale Terriers shall be judged;
- (c) to do all in its power to protect and advance the interests of the breed by Encouraging sportsmanlike competition at dog shows and obedience trials;
- (d) to conduct sanctioned and licensed specialty shows under the rules of the American Kennel Club; and
- (e) to institute and maintain programs which promote the welfare of individual Airedale Terriers through rescue and education, and through any other means which the Club considers helpful. by the American Kennel Club as the only standard of perfection by which Airedale Terriers shall be judged; to do all in its power to pr  
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## Cleo goes to nose work camp

We often say to each other, "my dog has a great nose." Actually, though, most dogs have good noses; it's how they use their noses and their intelligence to solve problems that really excites admiration. On the Labor Day weekend, Cleo and I attended Nose Work camp in the Poconos. In case you haven't heard, Nose Work is a new dog sport founded by experienced drug and explosive detection trainers. It began in California and is gaining popularity across the country because most people who try it love it and all the dogs love it.

No dog need be excluded because of prior training, temperament or breed. Each dog does his scent discrimination work alone and prior obedience work or complete lack of it has no bearing on success. Also, although reactive/aggressive dogs are banned from many organized dog sports, nose work provides a great opportunity for these dogs and their owners to enjoy a sport together. At the camp there were many dogs wearing red bandanas, warning all that they needed their space.

This is a wonderful sport for Airedales because the dogs are given no direction. The Airedale's heart's desire is to work independently and that's exactly what this is about. Unlike obedience, rally or even agility, the owner's role in nose work is only to set up problems for the dog himself to solve. To a dog, the scent of the hidden object has a 3-dimensional form as distinct as a red sports car might be for you. Obviously we humans can't see the scent. If we interfere we will certainly mislead the dog and, worse, teach him not to trust himself. Trust your dog must be our mantra and it will help us develop patience.

Cardboard boxes are the basic tool for teaching the sport to dogs and their owners. On their first day at camp, the new dogs were shown a few boxes with some food in one of the boxes. At first Cleo was just curious about the boxes; then she realized there was a hide of dried salmon somewhere there and without voice or leash direction decided to search for it. For each search the boxes were rearranged so that she had no visual memory to help her search. At each session, there was a new environment and more boxes; then other objects were added, sometimes the food was elevated, sometimes at ground level. Sometimes we worked indoors, sometimes outdoors. Of course, as training progresses, the dogs will learn to do searches without boxes. After the dogs have become proficient at finding the food in a great variety of environments and weather conditions, we will begin pairing the food with an odor; eventually the dog will have to search only for an odor.

After I got home, I started my youngest dog, a clicker-trained lab, on the box work. At first, he kept looking

back at me, wanting me to click on something. Finally, he gave up on the clicker and strolled around the boxes until he found and took the dried liver. Even after a number of successful trials on that first day, he was still puzzled, still looking for a click, but I didn't help him. I waited several days (that wonderful doggie incubation period) before I tried again. This time he hurled himself onto the deck where I had set up the problem and immediately began an independent search with real purpose. Still, when things got difficult, he tried to extract clicks from me. He'll get over that. Meanwhile though, Cleo Airedale never asks questions; just goes to work.

If you introduce problems at the right pace, you will find that a lot of very interesting thinking goes on in your dog's head. I'll just give one example. I distributed some boxes around the yard outside our kitchen porch and hid some salmon in a box behind a trash barrel. Cleo didn't find that box searching on the ground (there was little breeze to help her), but she went back to the other end of the area, up the kitchen porch steps, stood there with nose raised and nostrils vibrating for several seconds, then down the porch steps at the opposite end from the hide, calmly walked back to a point below where she had been standing on the porch; then went directly around the right barrel and took the salmon.

A word of warning: I've just touched the surface here, so don't use this little article as the basis for starting your dog. For more about nose work, see the National Association of Canine Scent Work website [www.nacs.net](http://www.nacs.net) .

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### **Airedale Limericks**

There once was an Airedale named Sandy  
Who thought he was really quite manly  
He was up on his toes  
When a squirrel stuck a pose  
He took off with his tail in his fanny!

There once was an Airedale named Katie  
Who thought that she was quite the lady  
She stole food from my plate  
Ate the trash when I was late  
She was shady this lady called Katie!

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**The Minutes for the July , 2010  
meeting will be provided at a  
later date.**

**LUNCHEON PROGRAM AND MEETING**  
**Saturday, November 13, 2010**  
**Restaurant Cedar Knoll Inn, 9030 Lucia Lane, Alexandria VA, 703 799 1501**

**Cocktails: 12:00 Luncheon 12:30 Speaker 1:15 Meeting 2:15**

**Directions from Old Town Alexandria**

Travel south on Washington Street through Old Town, which then becomes the George Washington Parkway. Continue south on the GW Parkway about 7 miles to Lucia Lane. Turn right and the restaurant is on immediate left.

**Directions from Maryland**

Cross the Woodrow Wilson Bridge into Virginia, **STAY IN RIGHT LANE ON BRIDGE** (local traffic) take exit 177C, turn right on Washington St. and follow directions from Old Town.

**Direction from Washington, D.C.**

Take 14th Street Bridge to GW Parkway south towards Reagan National Airport, continue south to Old Town and follow directions from Old Town.

**Reservations:** Please make your reservations no later than 12 Noon, Wednesday, November 10, 2010, with Joan or Jim Schessler, [jjschessler@comcast.net](mailto:jjschessler@comcast.net), or 410 956 3006. Please have exact amount in cash for your dinner. Please note: *If you make a reservation and are unable to attend, you will be charged for your dinner unless we are able to cancel it with the restaurant.*

**Menu Choices:**

**All menu choices include coffee, tea, or soft drink.**

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| <b>1. Chicken Amelia</b>   | <b>\$21.00</b> |
| Tender chicken breast dipped in beaten egg, bread crumb parmesan and lightly fried in olive oil. Served with linguini pasta. |                |
| <b>2. Tortellini Al Pesto</b>  | <b>\$17.00</b> |
| Cheese tortellini with homemade pesto sauce, fresh parmesan cheese, Spanish pine nuts, olive oil, and garlic.                |                |
| <b>3. Lasagna</b>  | <b>\$17.00</b> |
| Freshly prepared stuffed with meat sauce, mozzarella, ricotta cheese and tomato sauce.                                       |                |
| <b>4 Chicken Caesar Salad</b>  | <b>\$19.00</b> |
| Garnished with fresh parmesan cheese , anchovies, and herbed croutons.   |                |

**Speaker: Dr. Jerry Hinn DVM.** Dr. Hinn will speak on latest veterinarian procedures, medicines, and technology/equipment; followed by a question and answer period.

**Meeting Agenda:**

President's report  
Recording Secretary's report  
Treasurer's report (posted)  
Committee Reports  
New members

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Membership renewals  
Scottish Walk  
New business  
Adjourn

**Join Us at The Scottish Walk Parade,  
Saturday, December 4, 2010**



**To sign up for this fun event contact Susan Crawford no later than November 17, tel. 703 764 2719 or E-mail: [spcrawford@hotmail.com](mailto:spcrawford@hotmail.com). Susan will mail parade maps, starting time, and starting location. See you there. Details will also be available on our website.**

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**YEAR 2011 MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL**

MEMBER #1 \_\_\_\_\_ MEMBER #2 \_\_\_\_\_

Fill out information below only if any part of your listing in the enclosed Membership List has changed.

STREET _____	CITY _____	STATE _____	ZIP _____
TELEPHONE _____	E-MAIL ADDRESS _____	KENNEL _____	

*Check any of the following activities in which you are interested in helping:*

Pet training _____
Obedience competition _____
Airedale rescue _____
Hospitality for Club events _____
Sales/auctions of Airedale memorabilia _____
Show grooming _____

Pet grooming _____
Match show _____
Obedience match _____
ATCMW specialty/puppy sweepstakes show _____
Organize show/obedience trophies _____

ATCMW Newsletter _____
Sell advertising for specialty show catalogue _____
Scottish Christmas Parade _____
Plan/arrange meeting programs _____
Coordinate meeting attendance _____

**MEMBERSHIP:** The Club now has three (3) kinds of memberships: ASSOCIATE, INDIVIDUAL and HOUSEHOLD. The ATCMW established the ASSOCIATE membership so that it could more readily meet its quorum of 20% of its voting members required to be in attendance when the Club conducts business at its general membership meetings. Listed below are definitions of the three Club memberships. So that we can be more certain of meeting the 20% quorum requirement for our general meetings, please select the ASSOCIATE membership if you do not plan to attend regularly the four bimonthly general membership meetings.

ASSOCIATE and ASSOCIATES (no more than two people at one address) MEMBER(S) are entitled to participate in all ATCMW functions/activities including attendance at general membership meetings except that he/she cannot hold elected office, vote when the Club conducts business at its general meetings and be included in the Club's quorum requirement,.

INDIVIDUAL and HOUSEHOLD (no more than two people at one address) MEMBERS are included in the Club's quorum requirement for general meetings, can vote at those meetings and hold elective office, and are entitled to all of the other privileges of Club membership.

I(We) would like to renew my(our) membership(s) with the ATCMW as an  
ASSOCIATE \_\_\_\_\_ ASSOCIATES \_\_\_\_\_ INDIVIDUAL \_\_\_\_\_ HOUSEHOLD \_\_\_\_\_  
member(s).

**DUES:** ASSOCIATE \$12; ASSOCIATES \$24; INDIVIDUAL \$15; HOUSEHOLD \$25.

**CONTRIBUTIONS:** At the end of each year we ask our members to contribute to the ATCMW's Airedale Rescue Fund and Trophy Fund. Your generous support over the years has made the Club's rescue work a model operation. The trophies that the Club donates to winners at our Specialty Show and Sweepstakes, as well as at our supported entry and B/OB puppy match are tremendously important to the continued success of those well attended and well run events.

**TOTAL REMITTANCE:**

<u>MEMBERSHIP DUES (\$12, \$15, \$24 or \$25):</u>	\$ _____
<u>AIREDALE RESCUE FUND CONTRIBUTION:</u>	\$ _____
<u>ATCMW TROPHY CONTRIBUTION:</u>	\$ _____
<b><u>TOTAL:</u></b>	<b>\$ _____</b>

Please make check payable to ATCMW and send with this renewal form  
**NO LATER THAN MARCH 31, 2011** to:

Jeanne Esmond, 647 Spring Street, Herndon, VA, 20170

If you have any questions about this form, please contact the ATCMW Secretary Jeanne Esmond,(703) 471 0383, E-mail: [jeannequilts2002@yahoo.com](mailto:jeannequilts2002@yahoo.com).