

## 2018 Specialty and Banquet Recap - August 24, 2018

Dear TCATC Members,

The following is a recap of our Specialty and Banquet that was held on Friday, August 24, 2018.

At our Breed and Sweepstakes Specialty we had the following entries:

- 21 - Breed entries – Judged by Mareth Kipp
- 5 – Sweepstakes entries – Judged by Martha Graham

In Obedience & Rally – Judged by Phil Rustad

- 11 Obedience entries, 9 showed, 7 qualified
- 4 Rally entries, 4 showed, 4 qualified

Congratulations to our TCATC members who showed and won in the various classes:

Sweeps & Veteran Sweeps

- Cheryl Arko – Best in Sweeps

Regular Classes

- Doug & Aletta Moore – Reserve Winners Bitch, Select Bitch
- Les Lueck – Best of Opposite Sex
- Diane & Dick Schlicht – Best Bred by Exhibitor

Obedience & Rally Classes:

- Anita Smits – High in Trial / High Combined
- Anita Smits – Utility B, Open B
- Ed Basham – Novice B
- Mary Barker – Beginner Novice B
- Wendy Haight – Beginner Novice A, Rally Novice A
- Deb Pearthree – Rally Novice B

For the Specialty, I'd like to start out with a thank you to Mary Schuster for buying and making all our various awards. We are lucky to have Mary's creativity and skills in creating our great prizes year after year. Next a thank you to Nancy Firth for providing breakfast and Wendy Wustenburg for providing a great lunch at the end of show. It's always a nice way to end a very busy morning. Finally, a big thanks to all our stewards in both the Breed and Obedience Rings! On the Obedience side, I especially want to thank all the exhibitors and how all of you also helped out with stewarding. We are a small trial and we don't have the luxury of dedicated stewards, so it was definitely a team effort!

For the Banquet, our thanks go to Les Lueck for finding another creative venue for us to have our Banquet. This year we were at the Bavarian Gausthaus in Stillwater. The German inspired food was wonderful and a great change of pace. After dinner, we celebrated Dick and Diane Schlicht's 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary with an Airedale cake that they provided. They were both lauded and roasted by their longtime friend, Les Lueck. A big congratulation to Dick and Diane for this wonderful life milestone and sharing it with us! Next, Les and Diane gave a tribute to our judge, Mareth Kipp for her longtime support and work as a breeder, mentor, judge and board member or officer in the local and national Airedale clubs. This was followed by the judge's comments.

The last part of the banquet was the raffle and centerpiece drawings. A big thank you to all of you that donated raffle items and generously bought tickets to support the Club. Our table centerpieces were again cleverly created by Alice Leighton. Every year is something different and this year it was a useful

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garden stepping stone with an Airedale motif.

Along that line, I want to thank all those that sponsored trophies: Bird Anderson, Renee Anderson, Mary Barker, Ed & Sue Basham, Barbara Jo Hosking, Nancy Firth, Stephen Lehrer, Alice Leighton, Les Lueck, Douglas & Aletta Moore, Marion & Bob Pierson, Deb Pearthree, Dick & Diane Schlicht, Andy Schmitt, Mike Schwab, Margie Sinex, Scott Lichty & Anita Smits, Melissa Sonnenberg & Kathy Ullom. Many of you have contributed year after year and don't show dogs. You are the BEST!!

We are still working on getting pictures of the Specialty on the Website and do have some Obedience photos available. Other photos were posted to our Facebook site.

<https://www.twincitiesairedale.org/photos>

Again, I want to thank everyone who participated in small and large ways to our event. Looking forward to next year already!

Sincerely,

Anita Smits - TCATC President