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## **PRESIDENT'S HOLIDAY MESSAGE**

Season's Greetings to all BC All Terrier Members!

Every year, I vow to be better organized as the Christmas holidays approach and yet once again I find myself “living” in my car, madly dashing from one errand to the next.... Crazyness aside, I always look forward to spending time with friends, family and of course, my dogs.

I would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge my fellow Executive members for their commitment and support throughout this past year. Thank you for all your efforts. With the New Year fast approaching, I would like to draw your attention to a few items:

1) Our AGM is scheduled for **Wednesday Jan. 21st** at the Aldergrove White Spot. A no-host dinner will begin at 6 pm, followed by a meeting at 7 pm. Please advise Kristal (kristalkenna@gmail.com) if you will be attending. I hope to see many of you there!

2) Plans for our 50th Annual Specialty Conformation & Obedience Show (**April 3 & 4th**) are well underway. Additional classes include a Baby Puppy Class (3 to 6 mo.) and a Veterans Sweepstakes. Puppy Sweepstakes will be judged by our lifetime member and long-time terrier fancier, Mrs. Stella Newby.

\*Please consider submitting an ad for our catalogue. Upcoming puppies? Show or Performance wins? Let your fellow terrier fanciers know! All ads will be colour!

\*A dinner and silent auction will be held on Sat evening – plan to be part of our 50th year celebration!

\*Thank you to everyone that has made trophy donations thus far. Every donor will be acknowledged in the catalogue. Please contact Kristal if you would like to make a contribution. All donations greatly appreciated!

\*I hope to see many of you at this most “special” Specialty in April. Don't hesitate to contact myself or any of the other Board members if you can be of any help or assistance. Your input is appreciated.

In closing, I would like to wish all members and their families a safe and happy holiday season.

Erin Moore  
President, BCATC



## IN MEMORIAM: ED WIGMORE

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Larisa Hotchin has let us know that our friend, BCATC member, and fellow terrier fancier, Ed Wigmore, passed away in November. She writes that Ed (and wife Gwenda) have a 10 year old Welsh Terrier of mine (Jake) and have been members in our club for most of that time (I believe) after they got him. Years before getting Jake, they used to have an Airedale Terrier, and many years ago were members of our club. Ed was a very giving person and I don't know if you all remember, but he (and Gwenda) helped out at our annual specialty, volunteering their time, a few of the years that we held our specialty at Tradex. Ed helped man the armband table and selling catalogues. And, he and Gwenda came each year and volunteered their time to help out in the Meet the Breed booth. Ed, and his boy Jake, participated the year that we held the indoor Earthdog demonstrations that Debbie organized, and he started to get involved in that aspect of our terriers.

Here is the tribute that I have posted to the Darwyn Welsh Terrier Owners about Ed:

“Many condolences to Ed's family, Gwenda and the grandchildren and Jake. Jake is "Darwyn's Mighty Man of Harlech JE" ... the JE stands for Junior Earthdog Title. Jake is a Becky son (Ch. Felstead Fashionable) and a Derrek son (Am Ch Greenfields Landofourfather -- a dog from Peter Green) Jake is Ed & Gwenda's first Welsh Terrier (they had an Airedale before Jake), and Jake sold them on the breed. Jake was (is) great with the grandchildren but Ed found Jake's true passion when they discovered Earthdog (this is something you can do with the smaller terriers) and is a fun sport. I saw Ed in September at the Osoyoos dog show – I was there for the show, he was there doing some wine tastings with some of the famous wineries around. I enjoyed our visit. Ed loved and he is someone that I will never forget – he made life better when you were with him. Ed was always a strong supporter of terriers and his long history of volunteering over the years with the BC All Terrier Club (just to help us out when I would call on him) was part of what made him wonderful. I will miss Ed. It was 10 years ago that I first met him and Gwenda and do not know of many other people that enjoyed life as much as he did! Ed was a very special person in the Darwyn family. I was very sad to learn of his sudden illness and passing a few days ago. May he rest in peace.” Here is part of the notification that I received from Gwenda, Ed's wife:

A few weeks ago Ed suffered a massive brain hemorrhage caused by a large aggressive tumor we hadn't known was there. A brilliant young neurosurgeon saved his life (he was pacing the room and discharged 2 days later). However the doctor couldn't reach the whole tumor, so Ed was put on a drug to control it pending radiation. The drug suppressed his immune system and he succumbed to pneumonia early yesterday morning.



# MONTGOMERY 2014

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by Larisa Hotchin, Darwyn Welsh Terriers

Don't bet the farm on the results ... and big / competitive shows have MANY beautiful dogs, not just the leading contenders! A couple of weeks ago I attended my 14th Montgomery! Every year since I got my first show dog in 1999, except for the one year I missed due to puppies. And, I am just as excited about going back next year, and so on and so on ....

Some things are predictable, some things aren't. When you have so many rings, filled with so many beautiful terriers, in excellent condition, with dogs from all over the world, sometimes wins happen that were not expected. Some people will call foul, but when you look at it, the beautiful dogs rise to the top, and there truly are a plethora of really good terriers exhibited there!

I was fortunate to experience this in 2009 when my homebred dog, Parker (**MBIS Am/Can/Aus Ch. Darwyn's Webslinger**), won BOB at Montgomery from the Open Class. And, without exception, it also happened this year, 2014, with many beautiful dogs, including the beautiful BIS Norfolk and RBIS Lakeland (the latter from the classes - owner handled by a relative newcomer!).

There were some new dogs on the scene this year that people weren't completely expecting - like the Wire Fox Terrier that won the group at both Crufts and the World Show - I watched the wire ring one day and this dog, very deservedly, won the breed and both group 1st at the preceding Hatboro shows this year) but unexpectedly, lost the breed on Montgomery day to a lovely Wire from Japan! Another surprise was that Peter Green came back in the ring - this time holding a lead again. He handled a gorgeous Norfolk, bred in his kennel by his partner Beth ... absolutely beautiful to watch! This Norfolk was actually the ONLY terrier to place in the groups ALL 4 DAYS of this year - when he went BIS at Montgomery, it was wonderful to watch, and much deserved. The Lakeland Terrier that won the breed from the classes (and went on to a Group 2nd, with a huge uproar of support from the crowd!) - she was outstanding - shown by an owner-handler who has only owned one other show dog before! According to the Lakeland Terrier breeder-experts on site (one being a co-breeder of last year's top Lakeland in the US), the Lakeland Terrier that was awarded this year is beautiful and also, very well deserving. Other "upsets" also seem to have happened, but when you looked at the actual winners, it typically was a very beautiful example of the breed. In Airedales for example, the leading contenders were passed over for a bitch that is relatively new on the scene - but she herself has won multiple groups and a US RBIS (I had the opportunity to go over her myself at Hatboro since my handler, Ernesto Lara, shows her - absolutely stunning example of the breed), and in Welsh Terriers, while the leading contender (a top 10 dog of all breeds) was passed over for BOB for another one - the history shows that the Welsh that won the breed on Montgomery day has in fact defeated the other one that was "expected" to win many times .... It's just that one is being campaigned and is "known" and the other isn't. So .... Montgomery 2014 ... for me, it was a sense of renewed excitement about breeding and showing dogs. Anything can happen!

NOW, I also loved it this year, since I had my 14th Darwyn owned/bred Welsh Terrier win Winners or higher there this year! Very exciting! In fact, I had two wins there this year - one that I owner-handled to Select Dog at the breed specialty at Hatboro (over 4 other male Welsh Terriers) ... Java (the boy that Michelle and I have been showing locally here this year), and Trooper was BOS at our Specialty and Select Dog three days, including Montgomery Day ... both Trooper and Java are JOE sons.

One highlight was that I represented our breed, and country, in the "big ring" at Montgomery in the Owner-Handled competition since I got BOB-owner handler. With almost 30 breeds represented in there this year, it was very exciting to be in there! The magazine *Dogs in Review*, who bought my photos from last year's event, wanted to hire me to take photos for this year again - but given that I was in the ring, I had to decline. I likely could have gotten my camera for the main event, but there wasn't enough time to do it properly. Perhaps next year, I'll take photos for DIR again.

AND, we all know, "Montgomery" is more than simply MCKC – or Montgomery County Kennel Club day .... it is the MECCA for Terriers and encompasses almost a week of activities! I talked with a judge who judged terriers at both the world dog show as well as on Montgomery weekend, and her comment was that there was no comparison - any day associated with Montgomery week was MECCA for terriers. I agree 100%!

In addition to the prestigious MCKC day, there are three all-breed shows preceding it, all dominated by terriers. Over the course of the four days, many of the terrier breeds have their National Specialties held, with most of the same dogs competing all four days. There are special agility events focused on terriers and afterwards, for those inclined (and mostly local) also earth dog trials.

Montgomery week is *\*the\** place to go to see the terrier breeds – the huge specials classes for many of the breeds (yes – even mine – with 12 Champion Welsh Terriers shown this year!), and depth in many of the classes. For those learning the breeds, you can see many of the variations within the breed – instead of being dominated by an area or a line. It is very common in my breed, other than Montgomery weekend, to only see dogs from one or two kennels or lines represented at any given show – at Montgomery weekend, my breed easily had a dozen+ different lines represented this year with the 50 Welsh Terriers shown. For those within a terrier breed, going to Montgomery is so useful as you can see, in person, what breeding trends are occurring without having to rely on just the "good" photo that people present of their dogs.

Montgomery weekend also hosts many of the US breed clubs' Annual Meetings, dinners, award nights and educational opportunities. I have been fortunate in the past to have attended a number of the educational functions of some of the other terrier breeds.

As a breeder, exhibitor, and possibly future judge, I love going to Montgomery. It keeps me on my toes for my grooming and presentation. It helps me understand the nuances of the breed and breeds, and helps me understand my breed and terriers overall better. I feel very fortunate to have been able to attend 14 Montgomery weekends in person. BUT, I am just as excited about attending my next X number of Montgomery weekends, with, or without a dog!

And hey --- the shopping is unbelievable too. :-)



# THE ALBERNI CANINE CLASSIC

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*by Barry Truax*

Mention the “Canine Classic” to any dog show oldtimer – such as myself these days – and you’re likely to unleash a flood of memories of this special show held in Port Alberni back in the 1980s up until the early 90s. It was held on the Friday evening of the Alberni Valley K.C. shows in October, and to qualify you needed to win a Group 1<sup>st</sup> during the previous year, and that alone was an incentive to do so, particularly at a time when an owner-handler could reasonably expect such a win during the year. The dress was formal, the rings decorated, and distinguished judges often from far away officiated – usually marvelling at how such a “high class” event such as this could be held at such a remote and rainy location! I recall renting a morning suit just for the occasion, and somehow everyone seemed to look their best despite the usually inclement weather and muddy grounds.

To mark their 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary, Lisa Tremblay and the Alberni Valley K.C. this year staged the event once again on Saturday evening Oct. 18, this time opening it to dogs who had ever won a Group 1<sup>st</sup>, as well as to veterans. The rings were all in black with large golden “50” numerals as decoration, including an archway through which all participants entered. The officials were paraded into the ring by a bagpiper (to which many of the crated dogs in the building added an exuberant chorus) and the judges, ring stewards and handlers were dressed in formal or semi-formal attire, with many of the women in long gowns, particularly if they didn’t need to run with their dogs.

The event attracted about 40 dogs and each was judged and scored by two judges in sequence, just as before, organized by Group, with each Group winner being awarded a rosette and \$100. prize. This year the three judges were Michael Goldman, Fred Hayward and Eileen Rowton. At the end of the event the third judge who had not already seen the group winner added their score to the tally. It was particularly interesting to see four veteran dogs competing and holding their own with the current stars of the ring, with the final veteran winner being the Smooth Fox Terrier, GCh. Broxden Dressed For Success, a post entry added to the otherwise small terrier group (3 dogs), who won a \$250. cash prize donated by Laurie Savoie. The West Highland White Terrier handled by David Gignac was widely expected to win the Classic, but when it came down to the final round of judging, it turned out that its score was tied with the elegant tan Bouvier, GCh. Brocade Lil Deuce Coupe Barjen, handled by Michelle Yeadon. Since the sum of both their two highest scores and all three were identical, the judges decided to do another round of evaluation, and then after a quick conference, declared the Bouvier to be the winner of the evening, with a \$500. cash prize. Unfortunately it is not expected that the Classic will become an annual event again, but for a brief evening, it returned to the spotlight and revived many memories.



Barry and his first Scottie, Bailey, at the Classic ca. 1988.

## BCATC MEMBER NEWS

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### NEW ARRIVALS

Allyn Power and **Threlfall Diamond Tooth Gertie JE 'Purple'** are proud to announce the arrival on October 14th of four healthy Lakeland puppies sired by Am Ch Snowtaires Cruisin' in Style to Wardrum.



### SHOW WINS

Fraser Valley Dog Fanciers held a 4-day show, Oct. 10-13, in Cloverdale over the Thanksgiving weekend (with their new concrete floor and mats! Do you miss the dirt?). The first day Robert Dawson gave John & Penny Rogers' Wheaten Special, **Ch. Cashel's Oban On Ice**, a Group 4<sup>th</sup> as did Pamela Bruce the third day. The final day Honey Glendinning bumped up its win to Group 3<sup>rd</sup>. Terriers were also judged by veteran judge Jane Forsyth, and all four judges gave the Westie BIS.

The next weekend, the focus shifted to Vancouver Island with the Alberni Valley K.C. shows, Oct. 17-19. The first day, John Rowton gave Group 3<sup>rd</sup> to Jackie Marriot's Scottie, **Ch. Dunsmuir's Black Ice Devil**, and Group 4<sup>th</sup> to Vicki and Greg Stephens' Min. Schnauzer, **Ch. Empire Dreamaker Inspiration**, co-owned with Ken and Elaine Allen. The second day, Darle Heck gave Group 4<sup>th</sup> to Janis Trotsuk's Scottie, **GCh. Trotters Man In Black**. The last day, veteran judge Donald Fitzsimmons gave an upset win to Barry Truax's Puppy Special, **Ch. Glenfraser's Blackwatch Piper**, taking him on to Group 3<sup>rd</sup> and Best Puppy. Group 4<sup>th</sup> went to the Schnauzer, **Ch. Empire Dreamaker Inspiration**. That's right, three different Specials Scotties won Breed that weekend in a field of just 17 terriers! And again, all three judges gave BIS to the Westie.

At the end of November (Nov. 21-24), the Elsie Murray and Ladies clubs teamed up for a four-day show in Cloverdale, presumably in place of Ladies' traditional January show. Club member Bruce Fraser judged terriers the first day and placed John & Penny Rogers' Wheaten, **Ch. Cashel's Oban On Ice**, Group 3<sup>rd</sup> and Janis Trotzuk's Scottie, **GCh. Trotters Man In Black**, Group 3<sup>rd</sup>. Club members also had a good day next under Lynda Saranchuk, with Joy Viel's Irish, **Ch. Red Branch D'Artagnan Of The Ring**, going Group 2<sup>nd</sup>, the Wheaten going Group 3<sup>rd</sup> and the Scottie Group 4<sup>th</sup>. All three days he was entered, Barry Truax's Puppy Special, **Ch. Glenfraser's Blackwatch Piper**, aka "Bentley", went Best Puppy in Group to finish his puppy career with a hat trick of wins. Mel Saranchuk, the first days of the Ladies' show, went one step further in awarding the group to the Wheaten, **Ch. Cashel's Oban On Ice**, and Group 2<sup>nd</sup> to the Irish, **Ch. Red Branch D'Artagnan Of The Ring**, in a field of 23 terriers. The last day, the show was a rather strange affair, being transferred to the grooming building, with a corresponding drop in numbers. Alan Bennett gave Group 2<sup>nd</sup> to the Wheaten and Group 3<sup>rd</sup> to the Scottie, **GCh. Trotters Man In Black**.



The show year in B.C. ended with the Auld Lang Syne shows in Chilliwack, Dec. 10-12, and the club member results were entirely repetitive. All three judges, Margaret Jones, Wendy Maisey and Walter Pinsker gave Group 2<sup>nd</sup> to Joy Viel's Irish, **Ch. Red Branch D'Artagnan Of The Ring**, and Best Puppy in Ken & Elaine Allen's Min. Schnauzer **Dreamaker Red Red Wine**. Here are some comments from Joy about the experience.

"Just home from a very long day at the Auld Lang Syne Dog show. We drove down & back in one day. I was thrilled to see my boy D'Artagnan get another group 2<sup>nd</sup>. Wow! Entered 5 shows at the end of the season & received 5 Group 2's. Big thanks goes to Aaron Andriash for taking over the lead when work commitments got in the way. Also thanks to Judges Mel & Lynda Saranchuk, Margaret Jones, Wendy Maisey & Walter Pinsker for recognizing this boy. He is maturing into a very nice Irish Terrier. We also managed to add a title to the backend of his name since the last newsletter. He is now **Am GCh. Can Ch. Red Branch D'artagnan of the Ring CGN**. He is a character to live with but sooooo much fun! Happy Holidays to my fellow Terrier Lovers!"



In other terrier news, Pearl Humenny reports a Hot off the Press news flash! Border Terrier, **GCh. Benchmark's Winning Goal** was Best of Opposite at the AKC Eukanuba Show on Sunday December 14, 2014 in Orlando Florida. She says that Keeper showed like a real pro, in a very strong line-up. Keeper also attained his Bronze Grand Championship level last week as well, being the first Canadian Border Terrier to do so. While we wait for the show photo, here's a collage from ringside shots.





And junior handler, Cassidy Furlong just did an eight-show circuit in Oregon and California. She won four Best Overall Junior and four 2nd placements. She has been showing her Border Terrier, **Webe Kisses Sweeter Than Wine**, call name is Crush.





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This Glenfraser Scottie litter wishes you a Happy Holiday!  
(photo by Barry Truax)

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