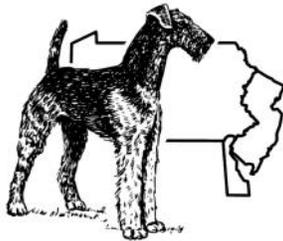


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SAM'S GOOD SAMARITANS

By: Deb Ciancarelli & Peter Egler

It was a bright spring day in rural Pennsylvania. A young woman named Riley knew her father's friend "Joe" had horses at his farm and thought it would be a great day to go for a trot. She loaded up her gear and a girlfriend and headed over to Joe's farm. She hadn't been to Joe's farm for several years since she was away at college but she had always enjoyed riding his horses in the past.

Upon arriving, she noticed something that wasn't there before. It was an Airedale and he was tethered to a doghouse. Riley asked Joe about the dog and he said he had bought him a few years ago to accompany him on his road-trips as a trucker, but bringing him along became more trouble than he thought. So Sam was left behind, tied outside, fed and watered by his elderly father while he was gone. Sam had spent the last two years tethered to this doghouse.



As a dog lover, this situation disturbed Riley and she asked Joe if she could please try to find a better situation for Sam. Thankfully Joe agreed to allow her to pursue rehoming Sam. Riley posted Sam's picture on a local town page on Facebook and as fate would have it, a friend of one of our adopters saw the post immediately and our adopter Heather

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contacted me right away. Posts like this "grow legs" and quickly become viral so timing is always crucial in order to get the dog into rescue. Luckily there was a phone number for Riley and she answered the phone when I called her. She was willing to work with us to find Sam a home.

Since the need was immediate and we wanted Sam to be in a home the very next day, rescue partner Mary Jo and I talked about the situation and she remembered an application that we both found to be exceptional. Peter was readying his home for a new Airedale and was very passionate about welcoming a rescue into his home. As I reviewed his application again, I realized that he was a mere 30 minutes from this dog (and I am 5 hours). Would he possibly go and meet Riley and pick up the dog the next day? What a huge ask of someone I had never met! And Peter said YES!

Now Peter will tell the wonderful conclusion of this rescue tale...

Gifford and Me, By Peter Egler

I have been fortunate to have a dog in my life during most of my 57 years. I was a quiet middle child in a family of 11 children. It was often hard for me to get attention from my loving parents. But I could always count on our family dogs to be happy to see me and to want to spend time with me. They were my best friends.

From 1973 to 1985, I had the privilege of having an Airedale Terrier named Rex. I loved him very much, and I will miss him forever.

I currently live in Johnstown, PA with one of my brothers. In April 2020, our 15-year-old West Highland White Terrier Jake passed away. That was heartbreaking. After Jake's passing, I did not have a dog in my life for the first time in a long time. Our house seemed quiet and empty.

In 2021 I connected with the Airedale Rescue and Adoption of the Delaware Valley ("The Rescue"). I talked with them about the possibility of me adopting an Airedale at some point in 2021. I was moving into a new house in June, and I wanted to wait until after the move to get a new dog.

Fate changed my timetable. On May 23, 2021, at 11:00 a.m., I received a call from the Rescue saying there was an Airedale living in awful conditions about 30 miles away from Johnstown. They asked if I could take the dog that day as a foster. I was happy to volunteer to help. At 2:00 p.m. that day I met the dog and the young woman who had facilitated the res-

cue.

The dog had been chained outside on a farm for some time. The previous owners had named him, but they paid so little attention to the dog that the name meant nothing to him. I named him Gifford, after Gifford Pinchot, a two term Governor of Pennsylvania in the 1920's - 1930's, the first head of the U.S. Forest Service, a friend and colleague of Teddy Roosevelt, and a personal hero of mine. And we all know that Roosevelt was a big fan of Airedales!

I took the next week off from work so Gifford and I would have time to bond. We started to learn about each other. I learned that despite his life of isolation and neglect, he is a very loving and affectionate dog who loves meeting new people. He is intelligent, cooperative, and he picks up on patterns quickly. Gifford shows the potential to be a great student in the training classes we will attend.

Gifford has introduced me to many new people, including the exceptional people at the Rescue. He has also introduced me to neighbors with whom I had never interacted. Gifford regularly receives compliments on his looks and his manners.

In the three weeks we have been together, I have grown very attached to Gifford. When we are apart, I miss him. When we are together, I always have one eye and one ear on him to make sure he has what he needs. Gifford always keeps one eye and one ear on me. I feel very fortunate to have Gifford in my life. I am very thankful to the Rescue for bringing Gifford into my life, and for all the support they have given me since Gifford arrived.

[Thank you Peter for literally dropping everything that day and saving Gifford within hours of our plea!! You are a rescue hero!!]



Dear Readers,

If your street address, e-mail address, or phone number has changed, please update them by contacting Deb at 609-313-4765 or by email at Deb.Ciancarelli@gmail.com. We'd also enjoy hearing how your dog is doing. Thank you.

Our Mission:

The goal of Airedale Rescue and Adoption of the Delaware Valley (serving Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Delaware) is to provide prompt and safe assistance for any Airedale who has no responsible owner or breeder. Simply put, our purpose is to find a suitable, loving home for any Airedale who needs one, while strictly adhering to the policies set forth by the Airedale Terrier Club of America's Rescue and Adoption Committee:

* Before placement, each rescued Airedale Terrier will be:

- spayed or neutered
- permanently identified with a microchip
- checked for heartworm, parasites and all other health issues
- brought up to date on vaccinations required by law and appropriate to the age and health of the Airedale
- carefully evaluated for temperament & personality
- bathed and properly groomed

* We assess each rescued Airedale Terrier on an individual basis, in order to place each dog into the loving forever home best suited to the needs of that particular Airedale.

* We strive to educate the public regarding the Airedale breed and responsible dog ownership.

* No ARADV volunteer conducts rescue activities for personal profit. All proceeds from fundraising activities, fees and donations will be used only for the benefit of rescued Airedales.

***Airedale Rescue and Adoption of the Delaware Valley
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Please designate ARADV as your charitable organization of choice! Thank you and if you have any questions, feel free to contact Deb via phone 609-313-4765 or email deb.ciancarelli@gmail.com

IRS EXTRA DEDUCTION FOR 2021

This is a special note to those who have donated or those who are planning to donate to ARADV in 2021. In 2020, an extra up to \$300 in qualified cash/check donations was allowed for taxpayers (an extra \$300 cap total for single, head-of-household or joint returns) even if they chose to take the standard deduction. In extending and upgrading this extra deduction into 2021, the CARES Act is allowing two temporary opportunities. In 2021, the additional \$300 donation cap again is permitted for single filers. For couples who file jointly, only in 2021, an additional \$600 donation cap may be claimed. Again, this extra deduction is in addition to the standard deduction.

If you have any questions, please check with your tax advisor.



Mischief and Memories

We received only a few submissions for MISCHIEF AND MEMORIES, which was introduced in STARTING OVER last year. We know how memorable Airedale Terriers can be, so, here's your chance to share some of your memories.

Once again, I invite any Airedale adopter to share a humorous or cherished memory for publication in the next STARTING OVER.

Just email it to me (Mike Lurski) at seramike19@yahoo.com , or to Keith Johnson at johnsonka5@netzero.net .

Clancy and the Deep Snow

It's mid-December and here in Pennsylvania's Lehigh Valley we are awaiting our first significant snow storm in almost two years. While earlier contemplating the forecast depths, I dredged up a memory from over twenty-five years ago.

The winter of 1993-94 was one of the worst we've ever experienced here. Schools had double-digit snow days and the temperature during January never rose above freezing as snowfall after snowfall just kept accumulating and hardening.

One day in mid-January, I accompanied our two Airedales, Clancy and Max, while they tried to walk around the backyard in the deep and frozen snow. As six-year-old Clancy did his sentry duty around the perimeter of the yard, I was alarmed to see that he could easily step over our four-foot-high chain link fence into our neighbor's yard. I had always been a little concerned about our Airedales climbing over or digging under the fence, but it never occurred to me that one might be able to step over it!

Fortunately, neither dog showed any interest in leaving the yard and I spent several hours digging a trench along the inside border of the fence, to eliminate any possibility of their being tempted to wander away.

Who would've thunk it?!

Mike Lurski



Duffy Meets Pancakes

Shortly after we adopted our first Airedale, Duffy, from Joey, my brother and his wife (and dog) came to visit. After introductions, Duffy got along well with all three of them. We knew that Duffy was food-driven, but we had not yet learned how extreme he could be.

One afternoon I opened the refrigerator, I don't now remember what I was looking for. A few days earlier, we had had pancakes, and there was a stack of three leftover pancakes wrapped in plastic on a shelf. From across the room, dodging at least three pairs of legs, Duffy lunged into the refrigerator, grabbed the stack of pancakes, and took off running through the house, chewing as he went.

I pointed at the dog and tried to tell my wife to grab the pancakes before he could swallow them, but I was laughing too hard to get it out, so I just started chasing him. My sister-in-law had seen what he did, and was dying laughing, also. By the time I caught him, the package of pancakes was long gone. I got the plastic wrap back several days later, out in the yard.

That dog amazed everyone with the variety (anything animal or vegetable) and quantity (as much as he could get) that he would eat. We discovered that he was very happy getting "white cookies" (a.k.a. ice cubes) as a treat, and he would come running from anywhere in the house if he heard me drop one on the floor. He's been gone over 15 years now, and I still halfway expect to hear him running every time I drop an ice cube.

Life is truly merrier with an Airedale Terrier.

Keith Johnson

Airedales Love to Play!

Our Newest Rescue Partner, the KONG TOY Company

We hold these truths to be obvious--Airedales love to play and Airedales love to eat! With this in mind, we are proud to announce that in addition to our nutrition partnerships with Freshpet and Annamaet, ARA/DV now is a rescue partner of KONG TOYS. Kong's motto is "Dogs Need to Play!"

Since last August, when my spouse and I were adopted by Rescue Winnie, we have done what all new families do, we have been learning what "unleashes" his pure Airedale joy. Of our own 10 Airedales over 33 years, Winnie is the most dexterous and most inquisitive (not naughty, just inquisitive). He likes to be busy and he enjoys being challenged. So, I took to the aisles of the local pet stores in search of durable interactive toys and puzzle toys which dispense treats and encourage thinking and coordinated movements. I discovered the line offered by Kong. In addition to their famous rubberized Kongs, the company also has a line of "puzzle treat toys". By the way, did you know that crunchy peanut butter lasts longer in the Kong toys, especially if the stuffed Kong is frozen? Winnie gets varied frozen combinations of natural crunchy peanut butter, no sugar applesauce, chopped carrots and mashed bananas.

When reviewing and then purchasing Winnie's interactive and puzzle treat toys, I have learned that he enjoys being able to pick-up the toy, carry it and play (and enjoy the treats) on the dining room rug....That is why it is called a dining room! The Kong puzzle treat toys are a success in this house and they can be washed for sanitation.

I called the Kong Company to ask about a program for rescues to purchase their products. Through the Kong Cares program, we now have a supply of the famous rubberized Kongs. Each new Rescue Airedale will be gifted with his or her own Kong as a means of introduction to play and engagement. So, in addition to food from our nutrition partners, our Rescues will have their own first Kong toy.

In speaking with the wonderful team at Kong, I told them how Winnie and I discovered their line of interactive and puzzle treat toys. I always try to describe the Airedale as a cross between the class valedictorian and the class clown...all wrapped in fur. In honor of Winnie, Kong has gifted a selection of these toys for future Rescues, in addition to gifting the rubberized Kongs. Also, Winnie was asked to be a prototype tester for Kong! This is very exciting and Winnie is now quite actively playing with a special selection of future Kong products. And, no, we are not referring to him as our King Kong!

We welcome Kong as our newest Rescue partner and we look forward to the joy and amusement that their products will offer to our future Rescues. THANK YOU, Kong Company! If you get a chance, please check-out their website at www.kongcompany.com. They have a line of both dog and cat toys which are sold online and in pet stores. If your Airedale already is a fan of the Kong products, please write to me at Airedalemom@ptd.net and I happily will share your input with the Kong folks.





Heart

CHUMLY SHPIGEL

Chumly Winston Shpigel (AKA Chummy, Chummy Boy, Chumbo, Chummy da Bear, Chumalicious)) age 11yrs, has begun his journey to the Rainbow Bridge. Joel, Archie, and I are bereft. Our best boy. Our gentle giant. Our kind big boy....departed his earthly existence today wrapped in our arms at 11:00am. He was dx with lymphoma and a tumor on his spleen in October 2020 and every day with him from that point on was a gift from G-d.

He was one of Joey Fineran's final rescues. From the moment he walked in our house we loved him. He was just so happy to be HOME. He had been found tied to a tree in the backyard of an abandoned house. ARADV was able to bring him into rescue and the rest is history.

Chummy was a true mensch. He let Archie torture him, steal toys straight from his mouth, and guarded Charlotte with his life. All he wanted was to be loved and fed! He had the biggest appetite and did the happy dance at every meal. He loved his walks, his sofa, his stuffed polar bear and bunny rabbit. He followed me everywhere ...including the bathroom! He loved laying in the shade on the cool pavers of our lanai. He never met anyone...human or canine...who he didn't love.

Chumly was one in a million and I know that he will be happy and healthy at the Rainbow Bridge where he will be reunited with his siblings ...Berkeley, Prinnie, Penny Sue, Ozzie, and Zoe.

We will miss our boy forever and a day. May his memory forever be for a blessing. Baruch Dayan Ha'Emet.



In Loving Memory

Ace Johnstonbaugh
Birdie McFarland
Chumly Shpigel
Fergus O'Brien
Mya Dietrich
Scout Iwanski
Seamus Schwabe

ACE JOHNSTONBAUGH

Ace crossed the rainbow bridge last month shortly before his 13th birthday. His passing has left huge hole in our hearts and family. He came to us as a foster puppy and we knew from day one that he was here to stay. He was the first intake of three boys and a girl from the same backyard breeder who couldn't find buyers and eventually gave the puppies away. Ace was a generally a very patient and tolerant Airedale, he accepted and mentored endless fosters and short-term rescue Airedales until his last year or so when he decided he didn't want any more visiting Airedales in his home. He was a certified therapy dog though it was something that he tolerated more than enjoyed. He also completed his AKC Companion Dog degree in obedience, again it was something he did because I asked him to and not something he really enjoyed. He did enjoy our daily hikes and was an accomplished groundhog hunter. He loved going to the beach on vacation. He was devoted to his family, two and four legged, and was happiest laying by the patio door keeping an eye on his yard and on guard for pesky squirrels and the neighbor's cats. We are so grateful that Joey allowed us to keep him and he will always be missed.



Cindy, John, Brewster & Ozzie Johnstonbaugh

Strings



Robert S Harding

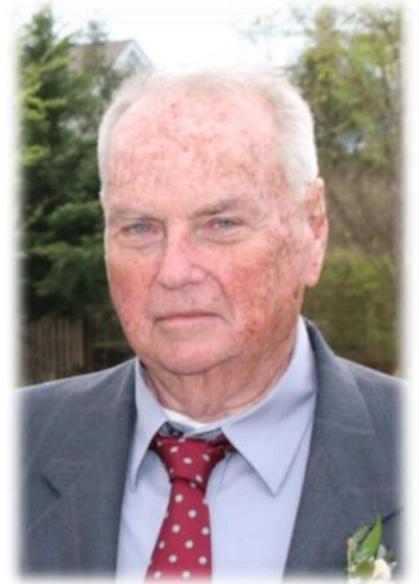
August 4, 1942 ~ December 11, 2020

Robert S. Harding, 78, of Burlington passed away December 11, 2020. He was born August 4th, 1942 in Perth Amboy, NJ. Robert is survived by his loving wife of 58 years Patricia Harding, née Handville; his sister Mary and her husband Russell Kowal of Woodbridge; and his three children and their spouses Lisa and Raymond Fronheiser of Raritan, Charlene and Richard Bergstrom of Raritan, and Robert and Dorothy Harding of Raritan. He is also survived by his two rescue Airedales, Meechie and Daphney.

Bob was a volunteer for ARADV for many years, always willing to take a drive to help rescue an Airedale. He and Pat adopted many of our more difficult Airedales, ones that we couldn't place.

On a personal note, Bob was the person who brought me my first foster, Louie, a large, leggy boy of about 80 pounds. It began the start of my rescue career almost 20 years and 50 fosters later. Bob was also instrumental in bringing my Airedale Valentine into my life. I asked him to pick him up from his owner, a young woman who was forced to surrender her beloved dog due to circumstances. Bob called me - he was so upset, saying the young girl was nearly inconsolable and that it was the most difficult pick up he ever had. Bob continued to advocate for Valentine, who was a troubled dog, and Val wound up living a long happy life.

Bob was a compassionate, giving person and he will be missed by everyone at ARADV. We thank him and Pat for their many years of service to ARADV and our rescued Airedales.



Deb Ciancaarelli

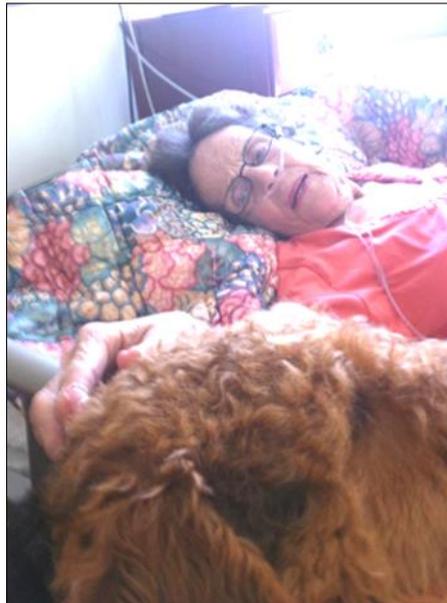
FERGUS O'BRIEN

In memory of my sweet Fergus who touched so many people and was the best companion for my Mom. She absolutely adored him and he was by her side to the very end.

Fergus was a huge hit at the nursing home. The faces of the residents would light up with smiles when we visited. He brought joy into so many lives.

Fergus was truly a gift and will never be forgotten. Rest in Peace.

Eric O'Brien



To all our readers, please know that every dog placed by ARADV is remembered, as is every adopter. We would love to know how those dogs are doing, both the happy and the sad.

Keep those letters and e-mails coming.

Heartfelt Thanks

Contributions have been received from these ardent supporters:

Stuart Broth	in Honor of our daughter Stephanie Collins
Napoleon Brooks	in Loving Memory of his Airedales
Antoinette Burnham	in Loving Memory of Echo Poston-Day
Lisa Ferguson Burns	in Loving Memory of David Falk, Joey Fineran and Rusty and the other Airedales
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Maureen Williamson	in Honor of Spencer and Corally
Dewey Yesner & Clifford	in Loving Memory of Bear Hon

Adopted

Billy Brint
Gifford Egler
Harley Lorene
Moxie Appleton
Royce O'Brien
Teddy Minor

A donation in loving memory of Rose Rossi Walp, 9/26/28 – 5/3/2021.

She loved the Airedales her daughter had and has:
Daizee – our over the Rainbow Bridge,
Charley – with her all the time,
Earl – a youngster, clueless!

Mary Lou Ryan

And also the following loyal contributors:

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Many thanks for the good work that you do. Joey Fineran placed Punkin, PJ and Abby, three of the finest Airedales that ever lived, with my husband Richard and me over the years and so it is indisputable that ARADV has played a major and very positive role in our lives!

Enclosed, in celebration of our three year old Spencer and nine month old Corally (both were bred by Corally Burmaster) is a check for use as ARADV deems fit. Thank you,

Maureen Williamson

THANKS!

Over 13 years ago, Airedale Rescue and Adoption of the Delaware Valley began a relationship with the very reputable pet food company, Freshpet. Freshpet manufactures its pet food products right here in Bethlehem, PA.

Through the efforts of the company's dog-loving representative, Carole Slade, Freshpet has continued to regularly donate their nutritious products to us, which has immensely helped our Rescued Airedales regain their weight, health and strength.

Freshpet has grown tremendously over the years, expanding their variety of pet food offerings. Their products are found at many local supermarket chains such as Giant and Wegmans, as well as pet supply and specialty shops. In 2020, the Bethlehem Freshpet Kitchen doubled its production capacity with the grand opening of a newly constructed facility.

Our gratitude goes out to Freshpet and especially Ms. Slade for their sincere willingness to help our organization and our Airedales.



For information concerning all of our brands including VITAL, FRESHPET SELECT, and our DOG JOY CHICKEN and DOG JOY TURKEY BACON treats, please visit our website at www.freshpet.com.

PROUD SUPPORTER OF AIREDALE RESCUE AND ADOPTION OF THE DELAWARE VALLEY



DOG LICENSE REMINDER

Properly licensing your dog is a part of every Rescue Agreement, and every adopter has promised to keep their licenses current.

In **Pennsylvania**, licensing is done annually by county. Licenses can be purchased at the county treasurer's office, and various other locations, and mail-in renewal is offered. A lifetime license is available for \$51.50, with proof that the dog is micro chipped or tattooed (\$31.50 if dog has been spayed or neutered). Fines for non-compliance are \$300.

In **New Jersey**, annual licenses are available from the licensing clerk of the local municipality, with proof of Rabies vaccination. The maximum fee allowed is \$21.

In **Delaware**, dog licenses are managed by the state (a change in 2016.) Licenses are available for one, two or three years at a time, with proof of Rabies vaccination. Apply online at www.petdata.com/Delaware, by phone at 877-730-6347, or at 9 locations throughout the state. Lower rates apply for sterilized dogs. Fines of \$50 and up for non-compliance.



Please accept this check in memory of Bridget, who used to be my mother's dog before Mother died.

We had six wonderful years with Bridget and miss her dearly, too. Sincerely,

Linda Milliken

Please accept the enclosed donation in memory of our beloved rescue "Daisy Mae" who we lost this past February. Thank you for arranging the adoption 10+ years ago and for all your hard work in finding homes for so many Airedales.

Mike & Judie Grembowiec

We hope this note finds you doing well! Cork and I and Dudlee and Marta are surviving this very trying year. It's been a bit sad – Dudlee and I would volunteer as a Therapy Dog Team at our local Cancer Center, Hospital and School, but all of that has, of course, come to a sudden halt. But, so far so good.

Wishing you a Wonderful Christmas Season, fondly,

Cork & Linda Meyer

It is with great sadness that I write this note. Bob passed away on December 11th.

I would like to make a donation in remembrance of him. I still have Meechie and Daphney and they miss their dad. Meechie we adopted after he was on Craigslist and Daphney we adopted from Airedale Rescue in Virginia.

Bob is now in heaven with all of our rescues. Sincerely,

Pat Harding

MEET UPS!

With still so much uncertainty surrounding safety in large groups, we have once again decided not to host an Aire Faire this fall. We are however going to put together some smaller regional “meet ups.” One that has been confirmed is in Drexel Hill, PA, outside of Philadelphia. It will be at an adopter's lovely home in his large, fenced yard. We will most likely have pizza and beverages (and dessert of course) and there will be a recreational agility set ready for the pups. The date will be October 23rd from noon until around 3. We will be able to accommodate around 12-15 people and their dogs. Please contact Deb to make your reservation! Deb.ciancarelli@gmail.com

We are looking at another meet up in September in the Pittsburgh area. Plans are still tentative for location and date but the Pittsburgh team has had some great meet ups in the past so this should be no different! Details will be sent out by email for the Pittsburgh Pod. Deb is going to try to fly out for this meet up to meet everyone for the first time 😊

If you would like to host a meet up in your area, please reach out to Deb! She will attempt to attend and handle logistics, food, etc.

Hope to see you at one of the meets!



Q&A WITH BILLY BRINT!

You may remember our senior gentleman Billy from our last newsletter. Baton Rouge Billy was in need of a forever home and boy did he land in the most perfect place! His new family not only had experience with owning a blind Airedale, they also have a rancher - one floor living to accommodate Billy's needs. We could not have asked for a more suitable home and we sincerely thank the Brints for stepping up to help this special boy.

We interviewed Billy about his new home and family and wanted to share his responses:

Q: What are your favorite foods?

A: I LOVE my treats and anything that Estelle (my grandmom) is eating (except applesauce – yuk!). I especially love scrambled eggs at breakfast!

Q: What are your favorite activities?

A: I love my walks, car rides and playing with my toys (I have lots!!). I also like hanging out in the kitchen, snuggling on the couch and getting lots and lots of love!

Q: Who are your doggie friends in the neighborhood?

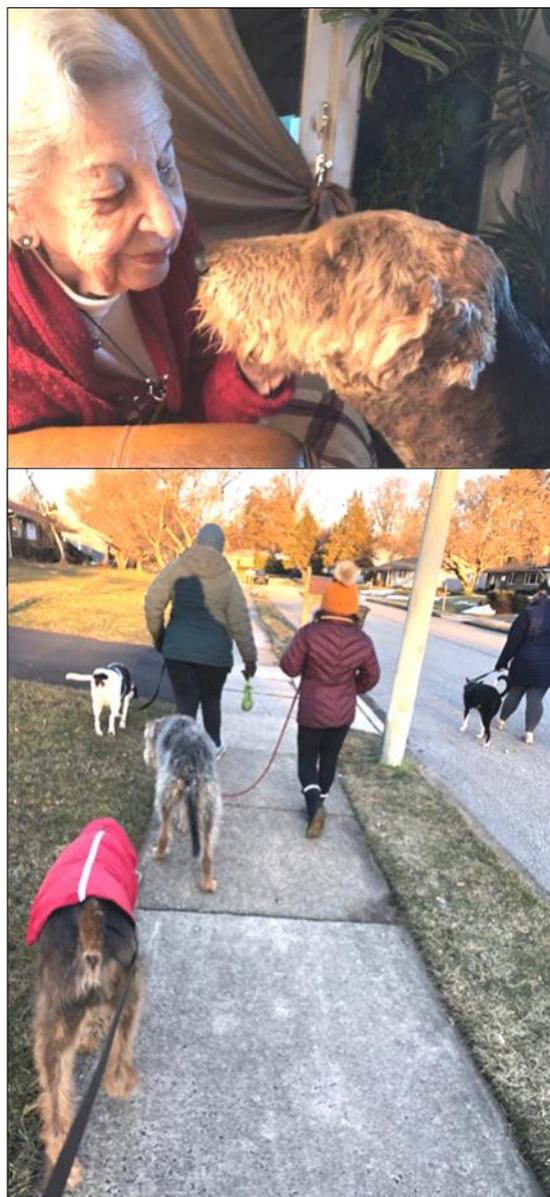
A: Aside from my sister Molly, there's Opal, Tempo, Willet, Sonny and Archie. I'm hoping Penny will come around – she's so pretty!

Q: What is your favorite toy?

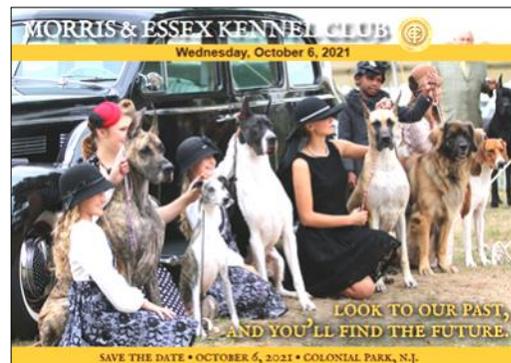
A: Right now I'm really partial to my shark but I also love my possum and pink piggy. Some nice rescue angel named Alexis sent me a huge box of toys when I was in foster care and sharkie came from her. I really appreciate it!

Q: What's your BEST DAY EVER?

A: January 24, 2021 – my adoption day. And every day after.



MORRIS & ESSEX SHOW OCTOBER 6, 2021 SOMERSET, NJ



Every five years since 2000 (Covid delayed 2020's show), the elegance, glamour and quality of Geraldine Rockefeller Dodge's original dog show which was held on her polo fields is brought back to life for a day. The show began in 1937 in Madison, New Jersey and 4,000 dogs of all breeds were shown in front of 50,000 spectators. Coming this October to Somerset, New Jersey, you have the opportunity again to witness this special event!

Geraldine Rockefeller Dodge, daughter of William Rockefeller and niece of John D. Rockefeller, Sr. was born into a privileged life. In 1907 she married Marcellus Hartley Dodge and they became one of the richest young couples in America.

Mrs. Dodge's interest in dogs, art and philanthropy led to her founding the Morris & Essex Kennel Club in 1927. The shows held on her estate were not only grand dog show events, but also high society events where men and women dressed in elite New York fashion. They continued for 30 years until the last show in 1957.

The Morris & Essex show revival began in 1996 by Cherrybrook founder and dog world philanthropist Wayne Ferguson. Designs to recreate the original atmosphere of M&E's style and grace are carefully considered and planned during the off-years of the show by the show committee. The outdoor show features Renaissance style tents, bright banners and flags, exquisite flowers and décor, and even a classic car display from the 1930's. The Committee also goes as far as using underground wiring so there is no generator noise. You will see exhibitors wearing period clothing, making the overall experience a glorious step back into time.

Date: Wednesday, October 6, 2021
Morris & Essex Kennel Club Dog Show
Colonial Park
156 Elizabeth Avenue
Somerset, NJ 08873



Preventing Orthopedic Problems

From an article by Steven Fernandez, VMD, DACVS

Orthopedic problems in dogs are common, with arthritis affecting an estimated 20% of dogs older than 1 year of age. Arthritis risk increases as your dog ages, and the condition can significantly impact your dog's quality of life. You cannot completely eliminate your pet's disease risk, but you can take precautions, starting when your dog is a puppy, to decrease their risk for orthopedic disease. Put these four preventive measures into action to help keep your dog's bones and joints healthy.

1: Feed your puppy an appropriate diet

When shopping for puppy food, you likely become overwhelmed by the aisles of choices. Hip dysplasia, which is one of the most common orthopedic conditions to affect dogs, is influenced by genetics and growth rate. If your puppy is projected to weigh more than 40 pounds as an adult, feeding them a puppy food formulated specifically for large breeds is one of the best things you can do to improve joint health.

2: Have your puppy spayed or neutered at the appropriate time

Veterinarians have historically recommended spaying or neutering puppies at approximately 6 months of age, but recent evidence suggests that may be too early. Spaying or neutering your puppy before their bone growth is complete eliminates hormones, increasing the chance for hip dysplasia. Studies comparing orthopedic conditions, including hip dysplasia and cranial cruciate ligament disease, in intact versus spayed or neutered dogs show a lower disease rate in intact dogs.

3: Maintain your dog at a healthy weight

Obesity increases joint strain and can lead to excessive wear and tear, or exacerbate existing arthritis. Maintaining your dog at an ideal body condition throughout their life can significantly reduce arthritis risk and severity.

4: Institute regular, low-impact exercise

Regular exercise is critical, but growing puppies should not run on hard surfaces, as the repetitive impact can interfere with proper bone and joint development. Safe, low-impact exercise options for your puppy include walking, romping in the grass with another puppy, and swimming.

QUILT RAFFLE!

We have a SPECTACULAR HANDMADE Airedale quilt donated to ARADV as a fundraiser. We will be doing a raffle like we have in the past, with tickets at \$5 each or 6 for \$25. This quilt is very special because it was sewn by hand by the artist, Frances Smith, and it features 21 Airedales in colorful bandanas! The quality and craftsmanship are outstanding.

We will offer online ticket sales by emailing deb.ciancarelli@gmail.com and requesting the number of tickets. Payment is to be made via PayPal at DVAiredalerescue@gmail.com. Please be sure to choose "friends and family" so we don't get charged a fee. You will then receive a photo of your actual tickets and they will be placed into the ticket tumbler. Tickets can also be purchased by mail by mailing a check to ARADV, 115 Locksley Road, Glen Mills, PA 19342. Please be sure to indicate that the check is for RAFFLE TICKETS so we know to contact you with your ticket numbers.

The drawing will be held with much pomp and circumstance on Sunday, October 10th at lunchtime in Airedale Ring #1 at Montgomery Kennel Show! Rescue volunteers will be at Montgomery all day selling tickets and merchandize at our annual Rescue Bazaar and the quilt will be displayed proudly. At noon we will walk the quilt into the ring and pull the winning ticket. It will be shipped to anyone not attending Montgomery, which by the way is not at Montgomery County College this year. It takes place at Macungie Memorial Park, 50 Poplar Street, Macungie, PA 18062.

Thank you for supporting ARADV and our rescued Airedales with this very special raffle!



Let's Talk Airedale!



Everything is great with Mya! Really cute as a puppy and still a beauty - so darned smart - she gets compliments everywhere we go.

She is a great joy and I am so happy to have her!

Jeff Dietrich



We were very sorry to hear about sweet Valentine. He was a such a beautiful boy. Please know that our thoughts are with you during this difficult time. We also wanted to share this photo of Ella and thank you again for bringing her joyful spirit into our lives. □

Cindy & Dave O'Connell



Inspired by Self Portrait
Vincent van Gogh
Detroit Institute of Arts | Google Arts & Culture

We just read the latest newsletter. Thanks so much to everyone who works so hard on it.

Nellie Bly is well and still pulling at 13. She had a bout of vestibular disease in the summer, but so far no recurrence.

I'm attaching a couple of pictures. One shows her happiness with her fresh summer cut.

The second is Nellie as painted by van Gogh--a great feature on Google's Arts & Culture app lets you take a picture and reimagine it as painted by a famous artist.

We are both well and safe. Hope you are, too. Here's hoping for a good 2021.

Bonny Hart





Let's Talk Airedale!

Please keep those notes and pictures coming in! Mail them to Dewey Yesner at 115 Locksley Road, Glen Mills, PA 19342, email to Deb at Deb.Ciancarelli@gmail.com, or text to Deb at 609-313-4765

WOW! How cool is this? Our Rubi Wilson-Durham was chosen as the dog of the month in May 2021 for Collingswood Living Magazine!! We are so proud of our Radiant, Refined RUBI!



Radiant & Refined... Meet **RUBI** the **AIREDALE!**

By KRISTEN JORGENSEN

HI, MY NAME IS RUBI!
I'm a 1-year-old Airedale terrier rescue thanks to Airedale Rescue and Adoption of Delaware Valley. I like long walks around Collingswood a few times a day. Favorite hobbies include finding my "stick of the day," playing with my friends @phillyunleashed, and long naps in the car. I like to go to the beach and play in the sand, and found my new love for snow this winter. ■



Fancy Kraus in her holiday fashion!



Zoe Wells in her new home!



The lovely Zelda!!

Let's Talk Airedale!



Miss Maggie Sell –
a true warrior
princess!!!



Clifford Yesner, artfully yours



Royce O'Brien – how happy is this guy??

Meghan and Teddy Minor

Meghan is one of our new volunteers! A call came in for an Airedale mix in need of a new home due to escaping the weak fencing. We all thought for sure he was mostly Airedale....after a DNA test, turns out he is 50% Doberman and the other half Miniature Schnauzer and Beagle!! We don't believe it but Meghan and her family adore Teddy whatever his heritage may be.





Rest Assured

Duke Archibald Pedrick Fowler

We arrive so quickly and sometimes depart all too soon,
And often in between we can drive you as crazy as a loon.

Whether you know it or not we are sent here from above on an important mission,
It's a simple one, its to bring unconditional love to its glorious fruition.

Since our time here with some might not be as long as with others,
Just know that we truly appreciate everything done for us by our human fathers and
mothers.

When we leave you we know that we will be sorely missed and it will cause you great
grief,
Just know we were called home on an even urgent mission, of that don't falter in your belief.

So until the day comes when we all meet again at that beautiful rainbow bridge,
I will await your arrival as I continue to keep an eye out for you over the distant ridge.

From:

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