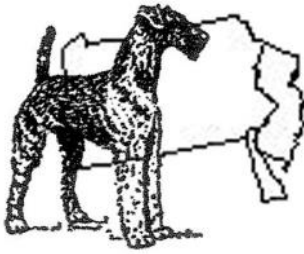


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ARADV AT "MEET THE BREEDS" AT WESTMINSTER DOG SHOW!

By Miley & Kathy Appleton

ARADV was proud to be asked to help represent the Airedale breed at the "Meet the Breeds" show at the famed Westminster dog show in New York City! It was a busy, exciting day for our group of 4 plus 4 dogs. Volunteer Kathy Appleton brought Miley & Charlie and here is their account of the day:

Your rover reporter Miley here. It was a brisk, windy Saturday morning when the human woke me and my sometimes sidekick Charlie up at the undogly hour of 5 am. We were told nothing about this the night before although I did see the human gathering things as if for a short trip. Hmm maybe a day trip is what she has in mind. And just like that we got harnessed up and driven for what seemed like hours (**it was only 2 1/2 hrs**) to our destination.

Along the way we stopped and picked up another human, a friend from Airedale Rescue named Deb. I know Deb, she's nice and very helpful to Airedales. But this is Charlie's first time meeting Deb. Charlie really liked Deb. I think they have a special connection. I digress.

We drive through this thing that makes it very dark in the car (**it's a tunnel, Miley**) and then there's sunshine again (**and now we're out of the tunnel**). We drive a little more and back into darkness (**the drive was really quite an easy one, little traffic into the city and straight away to the parking gar-**

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age). Charlie and I are anxious to be out of the car and sniff this place out. Wow, those are some tall buildings I spy with my own Airedale eyes. And a park with lots of dogs. Oh the great smells to be had, but alas we weren't given enough time to linger and check it out. Onward to the pier.

We walked and walked (**it was just a few blocks away**) until we got to this building near the water. Inside, more walking until we get to our spot. Doesn't look like much. A couple of curtain walls on a concrete slab but then wait ... they bring in wagons and wagons of stuff. Airedale stuff. Pictures of Airedales. Signs explaining what great hunters we are, how adorable we are as puppies, showing off our athleticism, generally saying how awesome we are—all true you know! Once our home for the day is set up it's a beautiful thing, everything you'd like to know about Airedales, all in one place.

Let me tell you a little about the other great humans we worked with that day. There was Cindy and John. They brought their boy-dales Brewster and Ozzie. They are a little bigger than Charlie and me and oh so fun. Those boy-dales, they just love their tummy scratches! There were 4 other very perfectly groomed Airedales. They are all show dogs and wow, they were gorgeous even if I say so myself! We met a junior handler named Hugh and his mom Nancy. Very impressed with Hugh, a young man well beyond his age of 10 or 11, handling his own 'dale named Berry. We also met Virginia, Anne and Ed from the NY Metro Airedale Terrier club.

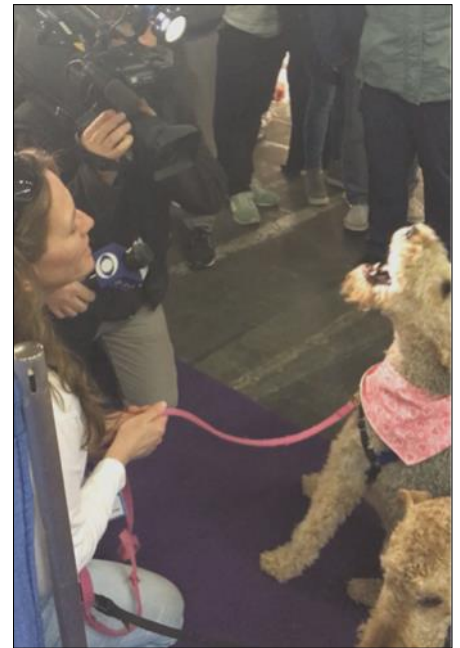
Virginia orchestrated the setting up of the Airedale booth as if she's done it a million times, and maybe she has. Shortly after, we got busy. People started strolling in, and before you know it all we could see were legs. (You understand, at Airedale height we mostly see kneecaps.) People stopped to hear about our breed, what great temperament we have, what's involved with grooming, where we come from originally, bark, bark, bark. Our humans



shared all they know with prospective Airedale parents. Some know all about how wonderful we are while others were hearing about us for the first time.

But everyone fell in love with all 8 of us! Charlie and I had the softest coats of the 'dales there, we are not very wiry. So mom answered a lot of questions about why our coats are different (**I clip, not strip Miley and Charlie.**) We met many, many people! Small people (**aka children**) and tall people (**adults**). Some were prior adopters, some had Airedales at home now, some knew an Airedale growing up while others just thought we looked darn cute and friendly.

We Airedales stole the show in my opinion. We are just the bestest breed around and everyone wanted to stop by to meet and pet us, scratch our furry heads and soft bellies and learn more about us. We greeted tirelessly until the crowds started to thin around 3 or 4 pm. Whew we were all pooped! But a great day was had by all! My buddy Charlie even had her 15 seconds of fame, ok maybe 5 seconds. They filmed her "singing" and added it to coverage that aired about "Meet the Breeds" on the local newscast.



{Mom: all the Airedales did great. Miley is a registered therapy dog and has her CGC. While Charlie is not a registered therapy dog, she has been on unofficial therapy visits and done very well, and she is a wonderful "singer."}

I was honored to be asked to represent Airedale Rescue for the day at Meet the Breeds with Deb, Cindy and John. It was a pleasure sharing the love of Airedales with fellow enthusiasts Ed, Virginia and Anne from NY and Nancy and young Hugh from Virginia. }

{From Deb – we were very happy to have Kathy, Miley & Charlie at the show. They were super friendly, social and of course, Charlie's singing voice filled the convention center with the joy and happiness of having an Airedale! You can see Charlie on the news if you follow this link:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CR3JWBqJaJ8>

Thanks to NY Metro club for inviting us! }

RESCUE YEAR-TO-DATE

By Deb Ciancarelli

As you know, starting January 1st, I assumed the role of president of ARADV, and it has been quite the whirlwind!! We started the year with one dog in rescue, the lovely Zoey, who came in right before the holidays. Then came Winston, then Bosco and then Abbey --- all in the month of January! I thought that Angel Joey was up there at the Rainbow Bridge sending all of these Airedales to us to see what I was made of. Well, I think we passed her test because all of our charges so far this year (6 total) are in their forever homes, doing well.

In February we braved the icy winds of New York City and proudly represented "The Airedale" at Meet The Breeds at the Westminster Dog Show. What fun we had spending our day "Talking Airedale" to the folks attending the show. We had a special visit from Bonny Hart, an adopter who lives right in NYC – it was really nice to meet her after all of these years! Read all about our fabulous day in the headlining story by Kathy Appleton.

On May 4th we had a productive rescue meeting at the home of Dewey Yesner for the local volunteers and via Zoom web conferencing for others out of the area. We had a great mix of alumni & current volunteers, members of our adoptive family and brand new people who found us on Facebook! For the first time, we were able to loop in members from the far reaches of our territory and share rescue news and ideas, and to cultivate new volunteer opportunities. We talked about transports, fostering, upcoming events and how volunteers can become active in their community by proactively visiting local shelters. If you are interested in this type of activity in your area, please reach out to me for materials. We are developing a "shelter brochure" and we have new business cards that have a space for your name and number as the local contact. We also made business card sized magnets for handouts to the shelters. Hopefully they will wind up on shelter breakroom refrigerators all over our territory so we will not be forgotten when an Airedale shows up at the shelter. If you have interest in volunteering in any way, please contact me at deb.ciancarelli@gmail.com and I will include you on our volunteer update email list.

Our next fundraiser will begin in September when we start our next raffle! We have 3 beautiful hand-made quilts to give away to the lucky ticket holders! The tickets will be sold on Facebook and via email campaign. Last year's Christmas Tree Raffle was very successful so we are following the same platform – tickets will be \$5 each or 6 for \$25. The Facebook page will be up in August – I'll send out an email with links when it is ready. We will sell tickets again at Montgomery County Kennel Show on Sunday, October 6th and the raffle will take place at our Fresh Aire At The Farm event the following Saturday, October 12th. Please check out the details of Fresh Aire in this edition and clip the "Save the Date" card for a reminder. This is going to be a fabulous event for everyone in the family – hope to see you there!

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
places dogs only in Pennsylvania, New Jersey, and Delaware.***

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.



Heart

It is with a very heavy heart that we write to tell you of our sweet Zoey's passing on September 25, 2018 at only 9 years old. She was diagnosed with a very aggressive hemangiosarcoma in July, and underwent surgery and treatment to no avail. She never lost her spunk or zest for life through her brief struggle and we still miss her constantly. The attached picture was taken just a week before



Zoey Beth Staymates

Amanda & David Staymates Pittsburgh, PA

her passing. She was truly unique, never countersurfing or taking what wasn't hers, passionate for her stuffed chicken, snuggling, and eating her favorite foods, broccoli stems, and yogurt. Our entire neighborhood grieves her loss, as she was the local "celebrity dog" – everyone knew and will hold her memory close forever.



In Loving Memory

Cassie Olsen
Dale Meyer
Jacob Cochran
Jozi Keller
Kerry Gorman
Lexie McKenzie
Maggie DiBiaso
Molly Leyden
Sarah Osgood
Stella Laird
Zoey Staymates

Our Jacob, who we adopted from your rescue, passed away from a second bout of cancer. The first bout was several years ago and Jacob lost a toe. This time at 11 1/2 years old, he died peacefully in my arms at our veterinary office. We miss him.

You do such good work, this is the second Airedale we had the privilege to adopt from your rescue, both memorable dogs. With thanks,

Gail Cochran

Today we let our Daley go over the rainbow bridge. His health was deteriorating each day, from the lung tumor he had for a year or more. We rescued Daley who was staying at Mary's kennel. He was a ball player from day one after we brought him home. He was a great dog and friend and will be missed greatly. We have heavy hearts now.

Linda & Cork Meyer

I have tried so many times to write this, but got so upset I had to stop. I had to put my Kerry to sleep – it broke my heart – such a wonderful dog. Joey brought him up to me when he was 8 months old. I miss him so much. Keep up your wonderful work.

Kathleen Gorman



**In Loving Memory of Sarah Osgood
(with her brother Alex, in back)
March 2007 – January 2019**

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.

Strings



“Happy birthday to Cassie!” we sang at the October ARADV Aire Faire, celebrating her fourteenth birthday. When she joined our family she was already seven and a half years old. Her previous owner had her from puppyhood so we knew her birthdate. And, sadly, we lost our big girl in March, almost precisely on her seventh-year adoption anniversary.

We had her for seven crazy years. I often said that she was a good dog 95% of the time and that was more than good enough for us. She tried to be a good dog, unlike our other two Airedales who represented the more independent Airedale attitude. However, some occasions were beyond her Airedale-ness control and we understood that. When another dog exhibited hostility, she returned the favor.

You should know that we had some reservations about adopting an older, larger, overweight dog, but Cindy (Johnstonbaugh) said “If it doesn’t work out, you can return her.” So we proceeded with the adoption. On our first two walks she toppled both my husband and me because we weren’t prepared for her pulling and her strength! We took her to a trainer, and, in the



Cassie Olsen Jones
October 15, 2004-March 29, 2019

process, became trained ourselves.

Early on we realized that her previous owner had loved her and taught her some skills and tricks. She had not been allowed to come downstairs without permission, and she needed that permission until the end of her life. In the beginning we would be in the kitchen and, looking around, would realize that she was not with us: she was trapped at the top of the stairs waiting for permission to descend.

She could catch popcorn midair: smelling popcorn, she would materialize at your side and wait for you to throw popcorn to her.

Cassie was a big girl. Because we drive out to Wisconsin each year, we had to make sure the car we purchased would hold a large dog bed. Then, during the journey when she rose to rearrange herself, all visibility out the back window would be blocked.

She was a loyal and sweet dog who had many fans and whose absence has left a big gap in our lives. Thank you, ARADV, for bringing her into our lives.

Judy Olsen and Andy Jones

Lexi came to ARADV in 2010 with many health issues. She weighed 93 lbs, had thin hair, and had only recently been spayed (at age 6) after having several false pregnancies. She had been fed excessive amounts of a very low quality dog food and was not exercised --which may have contributed to her hip issues later in life. But she was a very charismatic girl who had a true zest for life. Food, of any sort, was her livelihood. Through a high quality diet, in conjunction with daily exercise, she got down to a svelte 65 lbs.

She did her “silly girl” dance—a combination of barking, twisting and shaking her head, whenever there was food nearby. She also grew in a beautiful amber coat. She had playmates with her first brother Ferguson (another ARADV rescue) and later with Stirling. Nothing bothered her and she was endearing to all who met her. She was strong willed and tenacious and even more so in the last few years of her life. Due to the likely degenerative changes in her hips she went to physical therapy weekly—initially with laser therapy—which greatly improved her mobility. In the last year, she went to weekly hydrotherapy visits when our vet purchased an underwater treadmill. That propelled her to a whole new level of activity and she even gained muscle mass in her back end. She was a star patient—at 14 years old she was walking on the treadmill for 25 minutes—a feat which some humans could not



Lexi McKenzie, with brother Stirling

accomplish and very few therapy dogs could do, and certainly not at that age. Nothing could stop her! She was determined to keep going and amazed everyone at the vet, plus she was their only patient who blew bubbles from her nose! We were so proud of her, and all that she overcame, despite having had a difficult life early on. Most of all we were just thrilled that she was our Boo-Bear for the 8.5 wonderful years that she was part of our family.

Sadly her body weakened the last week of her life and we helped her to cross the bridge in late January. As devastated as we are, we know that we were so fortunate to have her for so long—she made it to 14.5 years old. She is dearly missed but her legacy will continue. We found out that our vet will be dedicating their new, and larger, hydrotherapy room to Lexi. She was an ambassador of the benefits of physical therapy and hydrotherapy and embraced all of life’s challenges with such grace and dignity. From her we learned so much and are eternally proud. RIP dear Lexi-Lou!

We are so grateful to all of you at ARADV for allowing us the honor of having her in our lives. There was, and never will be, another girl like her. Thank you for continuing your mission of placing Airedales with families who need them as much as they need us.

Angela and Cameron McKenzie

ARADV'S 2019 QUILT RAFFLE!

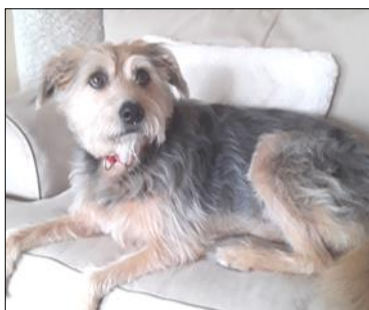
As a follow-up to last year's very successful Christmas Tree Auction, this Fall we will be raffling off three beautiful handmade quilts. The raffle drawing will take place on October 12th at our Fresh Aire At The Farm event and "live" on Facebook! Tickets can be purchased by contacting Deb.ciancarelli@gmail.com and we will be sending out an email announcing the raffle as well. It will be advertised on Facebook and on our Facebook page that will be created for the raffle, which will be called "ARADV's 2019 QUILT RAFFLE!" Tickets are \$5 each or 6 for \$25.

There will be 3 prizes this year. Two of the quilts are handmade and generously donated by our adopter Judy Farman. One is a traditional quilt and has a matching pillow with a fuzzy Airedale. The other is a colorful dog-themed print which will brighten up any space. The final quilt was donated by a friend of rescue, Fran Jarvis. It was inspired by the National Airedale Rescue Quilt "A is for Airedale" and depicts 26 Airedales, one for each letter of the alphabet. The craftsmanship of each is impeccable! Good Luck!!!



Drawing on October 12th, at Fresh Aire at the Farm

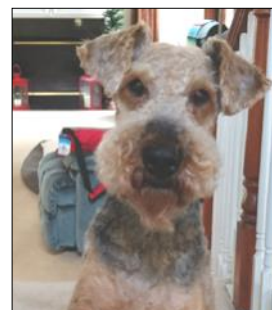
BIRTHDAY CORNER!



Paddy Beh—Happy 8th



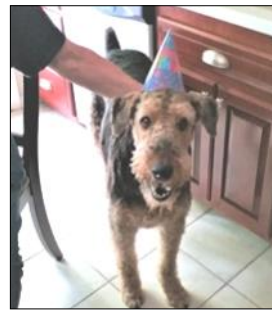
Tai "the Miracle Dog" Johnson—Happy 11th



Golly Woods—Happy 12th



Nellie Gordon—Happy 11th



Buddy Smith—Happy 12th

Heartfelt Thanks

Contributions have been received from these ardent supporters:

Mark & Lisa Burns	in honor of David Falk from his pal Rusty
Mr. & Mrs. William Conrad	in memory of Wynston
Kathleen Gorman	in memory of Kerry
William & Betsy King	in honor of Cindy & John & all that they have done for Rescue
Angela & Cameron McKenzie	in memory of Lexi (6/2004- 1/2019)
Patricia McKenzie	in memory of Lexi
Nancy Miraldi	in memory of Gayle Woodman
Judith Olsen & Andy Jones	in memory of Cassie. Also, in honor of Cindy Johnstonbaugh, and Kristina Olsen, VMD
Kathy & Angelo (Ange) Ortenzi	in memory of Angela and Cameron's Lexi & in honor of Zoey
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Stacey Sell	in memory of Tom Sell
Doris & Jack Wood	in memory of Wynston Conrad
John & Catherine Zettler	in memory of Jazz

And also the following loyal contributors:

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Enclosed please find a check for the ARADV. My wife and I have had Airedales for almost 50 years so we know how special they are. We hope this money will help others enjoy this wonderful animal. Thank you and Merry Christmas to all staff who help the ARADV.
Richard & Susan Naumann

Enclosed is a check for all the donations Airedale Terrier Club of Greater Philadelphia members made to ARADV during their club renewals. Thank you for all the devoted work you do for our beautiful breed.

ATCGP

This contribution is to help all the 'Dales that enter your care, and in honor of Dave Falk, from his pal Rusty, and the people.

Mark & Lisa Burns

THANKS!

Over 12 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.

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

Adopted

Abbey Czerniakowski
Casy Rauhauser ⁽¹⁾
Ella O'Connor
Marco Grable ⁽²⁾
Winston Arbolęda
Zoey McKenzie

¹-working with Airedale Rescue Group (ARG)
²-working with Airedale Rescue Virginia (ATRV)

In honor of Cindy and John's dedication to ARADV, we would like to donate this check. We were so lucky that Cindy chose us to be Ellie's owners...what a joy and delight she was.

Many thanks to them for all they did for ARADV. We will miss them.

Bill & Betsy King



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8 Reasons To Adopt An Older Dog Instead Of A Puppy

By CAROLYN DE LORENZO

If you're thinking about adopting a new canine fur baby in 2019, you might be daydreaming about all the ways in which puppies are just too unbearably cute. When many people think about getting a new dog, a puppy is often the first thing they think about. But, before you head on down to your local animal shelter to rescue your next adorable canine, consider the benefits of adopting an older animal. There are plenty of reasons to adopt an older dog you might not have considered yet. Animal shelters are full of adult and senior dogs who are so deserving of new, forever homes — and an older dog might actually be a better fit for you, depending on your situation.

Puppies are a *ton* of work, and you might not be prepared for the demands of that first year or two of your dog's life. If you're up for the challenges of raising a puppy, then by all means go for it. If you're thinking about adopting a dog this year, here are eight reasons why adopting an older dog in 2019 might be one of the best choices you'll ever make.

1. Not A Lot Of Surprises

When you adopt an older dog, you have a much better idea of what you're getting yourself into than you do with a baby animal. Questions about how big your dog will be, any health or behavioral issues they may deal with, or what kind of temperament they have, are all pretty much on the table with dogs who are fully grown, according to Mother Nature Network.

2. Potty & Behavioral Training Is Often A Non-Issue

While not all adult dogs left at shelters are properly potty trained, if that's not the case, you'll know that before bringing your fur kiddo home. Contrary to popular belief, many, many dogs surrendered to animal shelters are fully trained, writes BarkPost. Also, adult dogs don't have tiny puppy bladders, which means that they have more control overall — even if they do still need a little help in the housetraining department.

3. You Get A Regular Sleep Schedule

Like sleeping? Me too. And puppies are little geniuses when it comes to disrupting the precious stuff. Whether by howling, wanting snuggles or munchies, or just getting amped up by random spurts of energy, raising a puppy tends to mean that you get a lot less sleep for a while. An adult dog, on the other hand, is usually more than happy to accommodate your rest schedule, and may even help you get better sleep.

4. Chewing Issues Are Usually Resolved

Adult dogs are well past the teething age, writes BarkPost, which means that you get to keep your shoes without putting them (or your baby dog) on lockdown. A lovely bone or chew toy is all your adult fur baby needs to curb their urge to chew, while also helping to keep their teeth clean.

5. All Dogs Deserve A Forever Home

No matter what the reason was that your dog was surrendered to a shelter in the first place, your potential fur kiddo deserves to be loved and well cared for in a permanent home for life. Many people surrender dogs due to illness, financial problems, or an inability to properly take care of them, so it's important that these animals get a second chance. If your rescue pup has behavioral issues, make sure you're ready for the responsibility of helping them solve those. Otherwise, it's best to choose a dog whose needs are less complex.

6. You Might Be Saving A Precious Life

Sadly, some animal rescue groups still euthanize many healthy animals who get surrendered to their shelters. Older dogs and seniors are most at risk of losing their lives when left at a rescue center, according to research. By adopting an older or senior dog, you might very well be saving a dog's life.

7. You Get Lower Costs Overall

Older and senior dogs have lower food needs than growing puppies do, according to Mother Nature Network (MMN), and they also need less in the way of vet visits, training treats, toys, and behavioral classes. By adopting an older or senior dog, your costs may be less overall.

8. ...And So Much Doggie Love

Rescued adult dogs are some of the most loving and loyal around. By rescuing your dog from a shelter, and giving them the home they deserve, you basically get to be your dog's forever hero. And that includes lots of snuggles, cuddles, and pup playtime, too.

No matter what your reasons for adopting a dog are, there are few bonds as profound as those between humans and pups. Whether you adopt a pup with special needs, or choose a dog who requires less complex care, there are so many reasons to adopt an older dog in 2019. By making sure that you're knowledgeable about your new fur baby's needs, and committing to being their home forever (and ever), you'll be giving your new best friend the best life possible. And that just might be one of the most rewarding things you'll ever do.

Announcing... Fresh Aire at the Farm!

ARADV's Fresh Aire event

Saturday, October 12th 11am-2pm

Place: Rammytime Farm

315 Hawkin Road

Southampton Township, NJ 08088

Join us for an afternoon of Fresh Aire and Fun! Rammytime Farm is generously welcoming ARADV to use their large indoor barn area for the dogs and our annual picnic! We will have an agility trainer available to run through some basic moves for those dogs interested. There are farm animals for the kids to pet and feed and a fully fenced 2 acre play / potty area.

As always, we will have a lovely shared lunch, some baskets to raffle off and this year, we have 3 quilts that will be raffled off – more details to come!



Clip as a reminder:



**SAVE THE
DATE:**

ARADV's Fresh Aire
at the Farm
October 12th
11am-2pm
Rammytime Farm
315 Hawkin Rd,
Southampton Twp, NJ



For Your Information

THE FIRST AIREDALES

By Mike Lurski

Having had eight Airedales, I thought it would be worthwhile to research the breed's origin, especially since my knowledge in this area seemed limited. I had believed that the Airedale came from the cross-breeding of the Otterhound and a now extinct, relatively small black-and-tan terrier. How little I knew!

Though it is certain that the Airedale originated in the Aire Valley in Yorkshire, England, in the latter part of the eighteenth century, I found, after perusing a number of books and pertinent websites, that the origin of the breed is uncertain and complicated.

There seems to be agreement that the now extinct, relatively small black-and-tan terrier and the Otterhound, along with the English bull terrier (a different dog than today's bull terrier), were crossed. However, there is speculation that these other breeds may have also been thrown into the mix in various degrees: Old English Sheepdog, Yorkshire terrier, Irish terrier, Collie, Bloodhound, Welsh Hound, Irish Wolfhound, Bedlington terrier. Farmers, miners, and other Aire Valley locals were involved in the cross-breeding and accurate records were not kept.

The resulting dog was first called the Waterside terrier, then the Bingley terrier, (both named after Yorkshire towns), before the name Airedale was used in reference to the region and river where the Airedale originated.

The first Airedales were rather small by today's standards, weighing about forty pounds, but they were more than adequate to handle the numerous large and small vermin—otters, rats, foxes—that plagued the Aire area farmers, hunters, and fishermen.

However uncertain its DNA, what is certain is that the Airedale became a versatile, friendly, protective, loyal, and loving companion.

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Home-Made Weedkiller

Recent news stories naming the popular weed killer Round-Up as a cancer causing agent may have some of you looking for an alternative to control weeds in your yard, to protect your dogs from exposure. Here is one option:

Homemade weed killer that is safe for your dog

- 1 Gallon white vinegar
- 1 Cup epsom salt (or table salt)
- 1/2 Cup dish detergent

Mix thoroughly. Apply with a pump sprayer (\$7 at a hardware store) on a sunny day.

After application, rinse out your pump sprayer with water.

Re-apply after rain.

For Your Information



LASER THERAPY — A PLUS

By Mike Lurski

Since our nine-year-old rescued male Airedale came back to us four and a half years ago, it has been an ongoing battle to cope with his pain, discomfort, and limited physical movements caused by long-time medical issues.

His problems, some diagnosed only by an MRI, have included: protruding discs pushing on the sciatic nerves on both sides of his legs; degenerative osteoarthritis of his spine; misalignment and instability of vertebrae on his spine; arthritis in both hips; arthritis in both rear knees as well as wrists of both front legs; one surgically repaired rear leg CCL tear; and, one rear leg CCL tear which had been left to heal naturally.

Multiple visits to specialists, including a veterinary neurologist, have been necessary. Many medications and supplements have also proved beneficial. But two years ago my wife Serafina and I realized that something else was needed, something that would help to stabilize our Airedale and allow him to live a more comfortable, less restricted life.

At Serafina's suggestion, with the encouragement of our vet and after a consultation with the directing vet at the Animal Therapy Center in Bethlehem, Pa, we began regular laser therapy treatments.

Laser therapy, in the words of the center's brochure, "applies focused light energy at the cellular level. Molecules within soft tissue cells absorb this energy and transform the electromagnetic energy to biochemical energy. As a result cell metabolism is increased and tissue repair stimulated. We use a Class IV Laser to reduce pain and inflammation, thus increasing the speed of healing of muscles, tendons, and ligaments. It is especially useful for treating wounds, inflammation, arthritis, and acute tendon and muscle trauma."

In addition to the continual laser treatments, Heat Imaging is used to monitor progress in the affected areas. So far this has confirmed what we have observed: our Airedale's condition has improved.

This therapy has been a godsend to him. Of course, it cannot cure his conditions, but it has significantly decreased his pain and discomfort, and allowed him to live a more active lifestyle. He is walking better, usually without favoring a leg. Though we don't encourage it, he even trots (slowly, of course) after squirrels and rabbits, or just to check out whatever is occurring on the other side of our fence. He lives the life of an alpha Airedale and is happy, not looking depressed or sad as he used to.

If your Airedale has problems that might be addressed through laser therapy, we strongly recommend you discuss this with your vet. Our experience has taught us its value.

I feel sorry for people who don't have dogs. I hear they have to pick up food they drop on the floor.

anonymous

You can trust your dog to guard your house but never trust your dog to guard your sandwich.

anonymous

Dogs would make totally incompetent criminals. If you could somehow get a group of dogs to understand the concept of the Kennedy assassination, they would all immediately confess to it. Whereas you'll never see a cat display any kind of guilty behavior, despite the fact that several cats were seen in Dallas on the grassy knoll area, not that I wish to start rumors.

Dave Barry



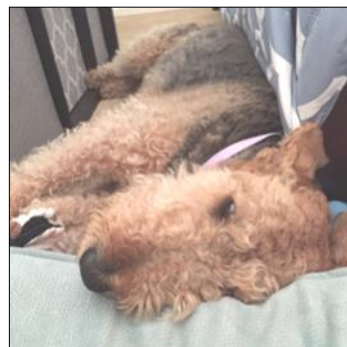
Let's Talk Airedale!

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

I saw in Starting Over that some representatives will be at Westminster. We live about 20 minutes uptown (by subway) from Madison Square Garden. Is there any chance that you could use help/support at the booth?

I'm including these pics of my husband, Paul, and our wonderful Nellie Bly -- These pictures reminded me of the old Mad Magazine "Separated at Birth?" bits. They're both happy creatures!

Paul & Bonny Hart & Nellie Bly

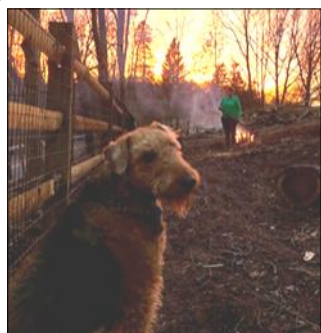


FANCY KRAUS

Fancy and her dad Scott relocated from Bethlehem PA to beautiful Palm Springs, California!

Scott says: Here's Fancy with her new lavender collar, resting after our morning walk to get the mail. We go around 6AM before the heat accelerates. She saw a cat in some brush and got wound up!! And here are her new daycare classmates -- and of course, Fancy is the "Teacher's Pet" !!

Congrats on your big move Scott & Fancy!



**Winnie Dutton,
and her mom Nancy**



**Casie Rauhauser-
first day in her new home!**



Finne Forbush

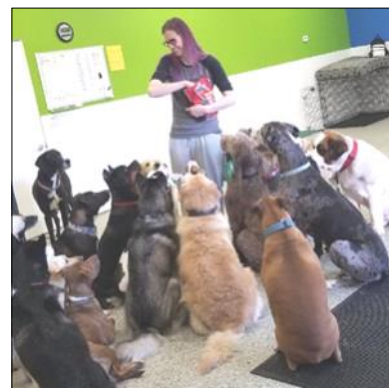
JOSEY MISINA – OUR HERO!

Josey did something amazing the other day, I had him and his sister Penny out back and I was playing with his ring when all of a sudden Josey started running. I thought "what is he doing?" because he never does anything like that. I looked up and there was a big hawk flying over our house and it had its eye on Penny! Josey ran and cut off its path so it couldn't get to her and once the hawk got a load of him it flew off. I was stunned that he knew how to figure out an angle to cut the hawk off and protect her. I praised him up and down. Even the groomer said how smart he is. She said when I was clipping him I looked into his eyes and thought "Oh Boy you're one step ahead of me !" □



Josey and Penny Misina

Jim Misina



Let's Talk Airedale!



Winston Arboleda (left)
with brother Buster



Santa brought me a throw w/
this beautiful picture of my friends.
Ms. Rubee put her glasses on and
was reading the newsletter.

Deb Pfeifer



Zoey McKenzie with her
brother Stirling in their
matching Burberry snow-
suits!!

We adopted Lily (formerly Precious) in the Spring of 2008 as a friend for Ellis, our Wire Fox Terrier. Joey was her first Foster mom, Kathy Enos her last, and she and Cindy brought her to our then home in Exton to meet Ellis and see how they got along. We were gathered around the kitchen table, Ellis sniffing all, when Lily cautiously came in, walked over to Ellis's pad, and plopped down. Cindy said, "Oh, this will be interesting!" BTW - they thought they knew what a high-energy dog was, then they met Ellis. He walked directly over to the pad, went nose-to-nose, and said, "Are you comfortable?" And went back to sniffing people. Deal done. They slept cuddled on that pad for many months, and were inseparable pals until early Summer 2016, when we lost them both within a month.

We needed a dog. Judy contacted Kathy, who put us in touch with someone at Airedale rescue of the Carolinas. By Christmas week, we had Olive. She's re-homed from a couple who decided to get a dog before having children and found that a rambunctious 'dale and year-old twins don't mix.

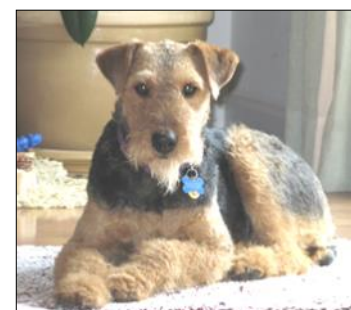
She was delivered to us in a hotel parking lot an hour and a half drive from our house, from the back seat of a VW Beetle. The rest of the vehicle was full of her stuff, much of it monogrammed, "Olive." Clearly, her people cared a great deal for her. After brief introductions I took her leash and walked her around the lot, where she found a likely spot to relieve herself. With all the stuff in our wagon I said I'd put her in the travel crate so we could get underway. I was told she didn't like crates, probably wouldn't get in, and was "just fine" sitting in the back seat. I was polite, but insistent. Safety first. I opened the door to the crate, said, "Up," and in she jumped. She turned around, lay down, and that was the last we saw or heard from her until we drove into our subdivision. Her head popped up as I made the turn.

I was first into the house, to open the back door to

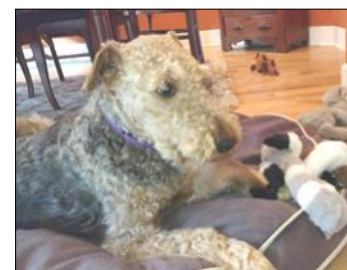
the deck and the fenced yard. On my way back, in came Judy and Olive. As I stood taking off my coat, a black-and-tan steak flew past my nose! She was home, and she knew it. Within days all the stress that had built up over the past year melted away. She is an absolute joy. She is not perfect. Lily never met a dog she didn't like. She walked up to a snarling, drooling Mastiff, pulling hard on his leash, said, "Good morning!" and the dog totally relaxed. Lily was raised with dogs. She knew dogs and what the rules are. Olive was raised with people. She is protective and treats anything new or unexpected as a threat. Once she gets in smelling distance she calms down (unless it's a person known to carry gift biscuits). Thankfully, she learned, "Leave it," and she is starting to realize that UPS trucks deliver for Chewy.

No one will ever replace Lily. Olive is very different, quicker to learn, much more interactive, and just as attached. She also knows how to open a door, all by herself. Fireworks, lightning storm - Olive opens the door and comes into our bedroom. We keep a little pad tucked away for these occasions. But usually she sleeps on a big, round, brown pad in the laundry hall, with "Olive" monogrammed on it.

Bill & Judy Taylor



Lily Taylor



Olive Taylor



Let's Talk Airedale!

It should come as no surprise that every time we begin anew with another pet, our lives are irrevocably changed yet again. Such was the case when I brought Miss Puppy home from the tender loving care of Cindy Johnstonbaugh who had fostered my little rescue until Joey thought it was time for her to come home with me. And what a treasure she turned out to be, so sweet from the start. It always seemed like she was an old soul, knowing precisely how to capture my heart and become ever so special. She has taught me laughter, infinite patience, and immutable loyalty, all the while asking nothing in return. I always think of the words I how do I love thee, let me count the ways. Ms. Puppy has been my singular reward so thank you ARADV for bringing this marvelous girl into my life.

Judy Best



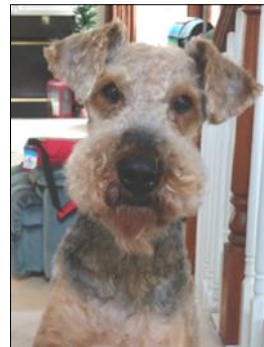
"Miss Puppy"

Today is Buddy's 12th birthday! Thank God he is doing well (compared to last birthday when he was so sick). He wore his hat for a while and he had a birthday cupcake which he devoured in one gulp. Also, he got a brand new ball with bones on it for a gift. Once again, we thank you for all you do and for allowing us to make him part of our family. He is our special Budwinkle!

Arlene Smith



Buddy Smith



Golly Woods

HAPPY 12TH BIRTHDAY
GOLLY WOODS!!

Golly is still doing well. She'll be 12 on June 13th. Slowing down a little, but still pretty active and still has her "goofy" antics! I've included some pics from earlier in the year: Watching basketball during March madness, checking out the Jeefers pet catalog, and posing for a portrait.

Janice Woods

NELLY GORDON – HAPPY 14TH BIRTHDAY!!

Today is Nelly's 14th birthday and the day care kids wanted me to bring her up to see them. She had her birthday hat on, Doggles and a birthday girl scarf on. There were 16 little ones and 1 older girl. They all wanted to wish her Happy Birthday. They let the older girl out first to pet her, one of the ladies came over and got down with her and Nelly liked that, then all of them came out of the playground (enclosed) and lined up to sing Happy Birthday to her. She stood still and looked at them all while they were singing. It was truly amazing for her. They love her and she loves seeing them.

She may be older but a true little spitfire. I'm going to tell you a little about my girl. She is truly a treasure, does not like to lay on anything wrinkled (she will wait until the wrinkles are smoothed out of her bed), if she doesn't want to wait for something she starts to throw her toys at you. When my friends come in, they have to give her attention first or they get a dirty look. She rules this house. I may have rescued her but she rescued me in so many ways. She is loved by so many people. It was an instant connection from the first time we met. Oh and she kicks her foot out, that's an added cute thing she does. Oh one more thing nothing

can be out of place or doesn't belong in a certain spot. She will not leave it alone until you move it.

Nelly is one in a million. I'm so glad she came into my life, and she has touched the lives of so many people where we live. I truly was blessed when she came into my life. She also changed my Sammy and made a difference for him. We are so in tune with each other, that by her actions I know exactly what she wants. Every day is a new adventure. She is my princess. Please put this in the newsletter if possible. It's my tribute to her for her birthday.

Susan Gordon



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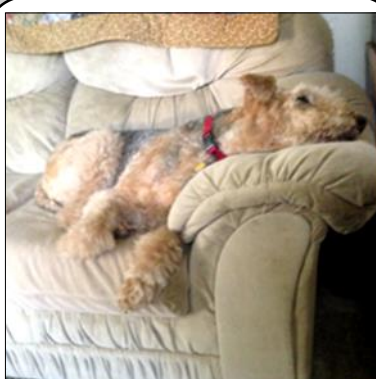
Happy 8th birthday!! Paddy's sunny St. Paddy's Day birthday party was delightful. He was sporting his green bow tie - thank you for that and his lovely Airedale card.

His pals attending were a Burmese Mountain dog, a pug/Jack Russell, and a brown Lab . All from the country neighborhood. The warm sun made playing outside in the fence available.

So dear Paddy is 8 and with us 2 years. Such a joy.

I'll try to send photos but they are not staged and kind of chaos. Here is one of him relaxing on the couch. Thank you for all you do! Have a wonderful day,

Elizabeth Beh



Lizzie Farman,
taking her afternoon nap



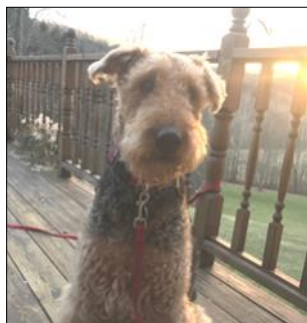
Ella O'Connor, first night in her new home!



Abbey Czerniakowski, with Dad, and playing tug with brother Jeter



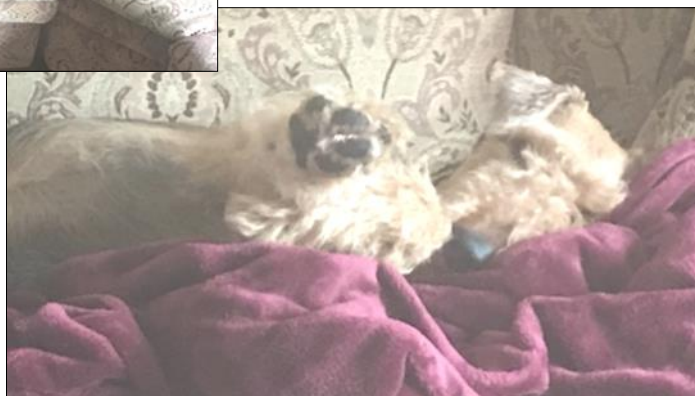
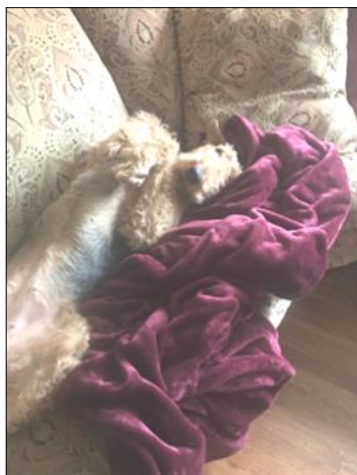
Zoe Wells,
Recent pictures



There is a Tai under the snow! He loves using his furry face as a snow plow.

Tai Johnson

*A Proper Airedale
Sleeping Sequence.
by Zelda*



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