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## General Meeting

**October 11, 2025**

Save the date for our next CATC General Membership Meeting!



The CATC Holiday meeting was held at the Elkhorn Golf Club in Stockton, CA.

Good Food.... GREAT FRIENDS!!







## From the desk of CATC President Deirdre Dawson...

**President's Message: Happy Holidays!**

As the year draws to an end, I like to think not only about the future but reflect on the past year. We have gathered for meetings, the specialty, and wonderful walk venues. And before we start to plan for the next year, I would like to thank everyone who has helped make these events not just possible but special. Our club is vibrant because of our membership and the volunteers who put all of these events together.

The California Airedale Terrier Club (CATC) membership renewal notice has been sent out. The process is a little different this year than it has been in the past. We now have an option to pay online but rest assured that the pay-by-check option still exists for those who prefer paying that way. Directions for both means of renewal were sent in an email. If you have any questions, please contact me, and I will help you navigate the renewal process.

Happy New Year!
Deirdre

Deirdre Dawson, president of the California Airedale Terrier Club (CATC)




Deirdre Dawson at an autum dog show.

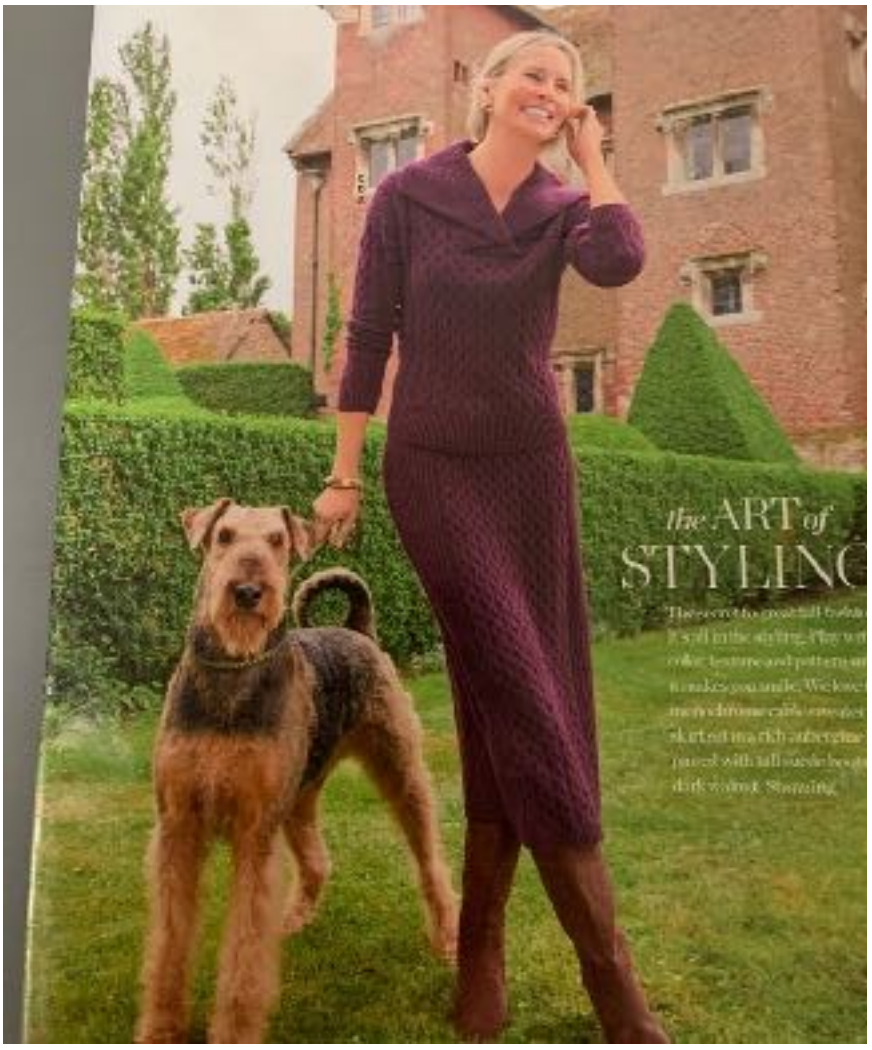
## Airedales in the World

It's always fun to see your breed in the world, whether you run into an Airedale and owner outside a local coffee shop or you spot that black-and-tan face in a magazine, on film, or in advertising materials. Often a breed gets a lot of attention after being featured in a film, winning an important dog show, or . . .

But sometimes, when you spot an Airedale terrier, you have to wonder: Maybe the rest of the world simply has caught on to what Airedale owners and breeders already know: Airedale terriers are one cool breed.

**Submitted by Christine Hyde:**
"This ad was seen in the Talbots October 2025 catalog. Picture was taken at Berkeley Park, Oxfordshire, England."

[Photo courtesy of Christine Hyde.]




*Talbot's Catalog*

# What's Your Airedale Up To?

**What's Your Airedale Up To?**

Our Airedale terriers find themselves in all sorts of interesting moments, activities, and certainly predicaments. Here, our members and friends share just a few recent Airedale experiences.

**From Christine Hyde**

Eagle Hyde participates in the blessing of pets Sunday, October 11, at the Methodist church.

[Photo courtesy of Christine Hyde.]





**From Carol and Milt Kubiak**
Dolly achieved second place in her Introduction to Rally competition and earned her Introduction to Rally title.

[Photo courtesy of Carol and Milt Kubiak.]



**From Karen and Jeff Lapierre**
CH Kairk's Kiss 'N Tell CD BN CGCA CGCU aka "Dinah" adds Farm Dog Certified (FDC) to her title.

[Photo courtesy of Jeff Lapierre.]



**From Gloria Lawson-Riddle and Larry Riddle**
Gloria wrote that in October she was enjoying listening to an Indigenous Peoples Day program (via a boombox) when she realized she had company—Rooney! He stayed glued to the program and "really seemed to like the chanting" that was part of the presentation.

[Photo courtesy of Gloria Lawson-Riddle.]

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**Let's Talk About the AKC's Farm Dog Certified Title**

It's good to be curious. Certainly that keeps Airedale terrier owners closer in mindset to our terriers, who seem to be endlessly curious. But, in all seriousness, curiosity leads us down interesting paths and, hopefully, leaves us a little more informed and little more inspired than we had been before the spark of curiosity lit.

Consider Karen and Jeff Lapierre's entry in "What's Your Airedale Up To?" The Lapierre's Dinah recently added an American Kennel Club Farm Dog Certified (AKC FDC) title to her name. Thinking that not every member or reader knows the ins and outs of the AKC Farm Dog Certified test, we investigated.

"Farm Dog Certification is sort of like the Canine Good Citizen (CGC) titles, except in a farm environment," Karen explained, who now lives in Reno, Nevada. "Truckee Meadows Dog Training Club offers the test every two years, and I wanted to take advantage of the opportunity. It is not terribly difficult, but not every dog would be able to pass because the dog needs to be confident and under control of the handler. However, it is not so precise as an Obedience Trial. It is similar to the CGC tests: 1. Canine Good Citizen, 2. Canine Good Citizen Advanced, and 2. Canine Good Citizen Urban."

Karen explained that the process involves twelve situations that a dog might encounter in a typical farm environment. As per the AKC website, all of the exercises are done on leash and does not include any herding. And the dog participants are asked to:

- **greet the judge** (Test 1)
- **walk around the farm and near a passive stranger** (Test 2)
- **jump on a hay/straw bale** and stay until released by the judge (Test 3)
- **walk past farm animals** (Test 4)
- **walk over or through unusual surfaces** (Test 5)
- **participate in a supervised separation,** in which the handler crates the dog and moves out of sight (Test 6)
- **pass through a gate** (Test 7)
- **observe the handler feeding livestock** (Test 8)
- **remain stationary as another dog passes,** testing the participant dog's reaction (Test 9)
- **experience noise distractions** of common farm sounds (Test 10)
- **approach livestock** (Test 11)
- **experience a physical examination** while handler checks ears, eyes, coat, etc., for debris that might collect while working on a farm (Test 12).

Karen added, "Though no specific training is required, your dog should be well socialized and steady in most situations. I would advise starting with the CGC and going forward from there. It is a good feeling to know that your dog is reliable in most situations."

The AKC states that the Farm Dog Certification test is open to all dog breeds but that dogs must be at least nine months old and have an AKC number to participate. AKC numbers are not limited to purebred dogs, and the organization's website lists several ways to obtain one.

For more detailed information, go to www.akc.org/sports/herding/farm-dog-certified-test.

**Airedale Calendars: Mr. September 2026**

Time to get your 2026 calendars if you haven't already. If you're like many of us who annually get an Airedale calendar to celebrate our favorite breed all year long, you're going to want to pick up one from publisher Brown Trout, where, once again, Gloria Lawson-Riddle and Larry Riddle's Rooney graces the pages.




Check out September!

That handsome Airedale with the deep brown eyes and warm expression is Rooney, momentarily paused from squirrel patrol at the William Land Park in Sacramento. Gloria and Larry were surprised to receive a copy of next year's calendar in the mail a short time ago and quickly spotted their Mr. September. The photo was one of many taken several years ago of both Rooney and the family's other Airedale, Fozwell, and a different photo of both dogs appeared in the Brown Trout calendar of 2021, also as the September photo.

The quote accompanying Rooney's page in this year's calendar is fitting and, in this Christmas season, might remind us of how lucky we are to be loved by dogs. Attributed to Theodorus Gaza, an ancient Greek scholar, it reads:

*The gift which I am sending you is called a dog, and is in fact the most precious and valuable possession of mankind.*

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## Thank You from the *Aire-ing the News* Editors.

A sincere "thank you" to everyone who makes the newsletter possible. Whether you write an article, submit a photo, do a little research, allow yourself to be interviewed, or even confirm a spelling for us, the newsletter is better for it.

Happy holidays and greetings in the New Year.

Amy Bauman and Devon Allen,
*Aire-ing the News* editors

**AKC Fit Dog**
By Nancy Strohmaier

The California Airedale Terrier Club's (CATC) purpose is to encourage and promote the quality breeding of purebred Airedale terriers. In addition, our club is an American Kennel Club (AKC) recognized Fit Dog Club. As such, our club promotes fitness for our beloved dogs (although all breeds are welcomed in this program) and their humans by sponsoring several organized dog walks throughout the year. It's a fun way to socialize with club members and meet other like-minded dog owners while getting a little bit of exercise.

Did you know that your dog can earn Fit Dog titles? The AKC Fit Dog titles which are part of the AKC Family Dog Program have been designed to provide noncompetitive, structured, and individualized fitness plans that you and your dog can do together. The AKC has three levels of fitness titles: bronze, silver and gold. Each level requires a certain number of points from at least two categories. For bronze: 5 points; silver: 10 points; and for gold: 20 points. There are six different categories with multiple activities to choose from for each of the three levels:

- AKC Fit Dog Course
- Runs (community runs such as Turkey Trot, Spring Scurry, etc., and virtual runs)
- Walks and Hikes (Independent or Group)
- Unique to You and Your Dog (e.g. swimming. Parkour, etc.)
- AKC Title that is fitness related (e.g. Fast CAT, agility, etc., including virtual titles)
- AKC Parent Club Performance Titles (E.g. pack dog, sledding, etc.)

The CATC organized club walks qualify under category as a group walk. For the bronze level, that would be 3 points for one group walk of the 5 points total! Wow! Easy-peasy! The silver level requires two additional groups walks (6 of 10 points total). The gold level requires two additional group walks (12 of 20 points total). Alternatively, you may partake in independent walks or hikes with your dog for a specified duration (75 minutes for bronze or 150 minutes for silver and gold) for a period of eight weeks.

We submitted documentation to AKC using their online title application portal (TAP): https://www.apps.akc.org/title-application-portal/ for our dog, Isaac,* for the bronze and silver levels to date. The TAP allows you to submit the checklist (bronze/silver/gold), documentation form, exported data (from an app, smart phone or wearable fitness device), send a video (if necessary), and pay the required fee to attain the Fit Dog title certificate. We submitted a list of our routine walks on the Walk/Run Documentation Form (the third category) and sent a copy of his AKC Fetch Novice title (the fifth category) for the required 5 points for the AKC Fit Dog Bronze. For the silver, we submitted a hunting video with a bird retrieve (the fourth category) and a couple virtual group walks (the third category) for the required 10 points. We are working on the AKC Fit Dog Gold level with plans to submit a video of Isaac swimming and our Walks/Run Documentation Form with screenshots by doing the upcoming AKC Turkey Trot, an annual virtual 5K walk/run, and the CATC Dog Walk in November.

The AKC Fit Dog Titles Participant & Evaluator Guide, the checklists, and the documentation forms can be found at https://www.akc.org/sports/akc-family-dog-program/akc-fit-dog/r

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Many of you already do so many varied activities with your dog and family, so this is a fun way to receive AKC recognition for all the fitness activities your versatile Airedale terrier partakes in.

*Isaac, Windancer Master of the Royal Mint BCAT FITS FTI


THE AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB

FIT DOG TITLE CERTIFICATE

This certifies that

WINDANCER MASTER OF THE ROYAL MINT BCAT FITS - RN40828101

bred by

NANCY ANN STROHMAIER & WILLIAM ESTROHMAIER

owned by

NANCY ANN STROHMAIER & WILLIAM ESTROHMAIER

having completed the requirements on

JULY 31, 2025

has been officially awarded the

FIT DOG BRONZE

by The American Kennel Club

AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB

Isaac's efforts garnered him—and Nancy and Bill Strohmaier—a Fit Dog certificate.



Isaac goes airborne on an AKC Fast CAT run. (J. AKC Title—BCAT)



Isaac upland game bird retrieves (D. Unique to You—Hunting)

**Exploring CATC History: Airedale Terrier Participation in Obedience**

By Christine Hyde

I was recently asked in what year the Airedale terrier first participated in American Kennel Club (AKC) obedience competitions? Interestingly, while Airedale terriers entered British conformation shows as early as 1864 and American shows by 1888, AKC obedience exhibitions debuted some four decades later. The AKC website shares that obedience was introduced in the 1930s by Helene Whitehouse Walker (1900–1986), a standard poodle breeder. Walker's family established Carillon Kennels in Mount Kisco, New York, were founding members of the Poodle Club of America, and helped shape the early development of the poodle in the United States. To show that poodles were more than a pretty face, Walker created obedience exercises highlighting her dogs' intelligence and adaptability.

The first all-breed obedience demonstration took place on the Mount Kisco estate in October 1933. Two Labrador retrievers, three poodles, two English springer spaniels, and one German shepherd participated. There was only one obedience class/level. The exercises, borrowed from
British working dog societies, included heeling on-leash and off-leash, sitting for two minutes and lying down for five minutes while owners went out of sight, a drop on recall, retrieving a two-pound dumbbell, and retrieving another slightly lighter dumbbell over a forty-two-inch jump. The first set of AKC guidelines and procedures for obedience tests was approved in March 1936.

The opportunity for owners to develop a deeper relationship with their dogs was important to Helene Walker. She encouraged amateurs to participate in obedience trials and stressed accuracy and precision with enthusiastic and willing dogs.

Obedience tests were further expanded into the three "regular" classes we know today: Novice (CD), Open (CDX), and Utility (UD). The highest UDT degree was achieved by Utility dogs passing a tracking test. In 1977, the coveted obedience trial champion title (OTCH) replaced UDT as the
pinnacle obedience recognition.

Doing a little research, I found this excerpt in *The Story of Dog Obedience* by Blanche
Saunders (Howell Books, 1974): "The regulations have expanded to facilitate the sport of obedience to grow and flourish, but the core values that Helene Walker strove to instill in
obedience competitors are still with us today. Almost all dogs entered in an obedience trial have been trained and are handled by their owner. Obedience dogs are true family companions that share their lives with the people who showcase their skills in a competitive arena. AKC obedience is open to anyone who is interested in developing a meaningful relationship
with their dogs based on communication and fun!"

But the question remained for me: When did Airedale terriers participate in obedience trials? For an answer closer to home, I turned to the California Airedale Terrier Club's own publication, the *CATC 100 Year Anniversary* book. While what I found there may not prove what was happening nationally in Airedale obedience, the *CATC Anniversary* suggests that CATC members have been training in obedience sports for at least seventy years. On page 94, the narration notes that "Miss Marjorie Grinnell, a CATC officer and director in the early fifties gave obedience demonstrations at many club meetings through the sixties."

A few pages later, on page 97, I read: "Obedience was equally important to member Marge Schonher as showing conformation dogs. She trained many Airedales to the highest
level. Her husband, John, became an obedience judge."

Page 113 mentioned obedience in both body text and photos. In the text, I read this: "There were so many active obedience members that ten classes were offered for $10 under the direction of famous dog trainer Mr. Charles Wunderling. The club held two AKC sanctioned matches in 1953. During the summer of 1954, a picnic with an obedience training class was held; and during the same year, as many as 16 people presented speeches and demonstrations on obedience training under the direction of Miss Marjorie Grinnell. This strong interest continued throughout the remainder of the decade." It was further noted here

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that, “Obedience classes were requested CATC activities in 1959.”

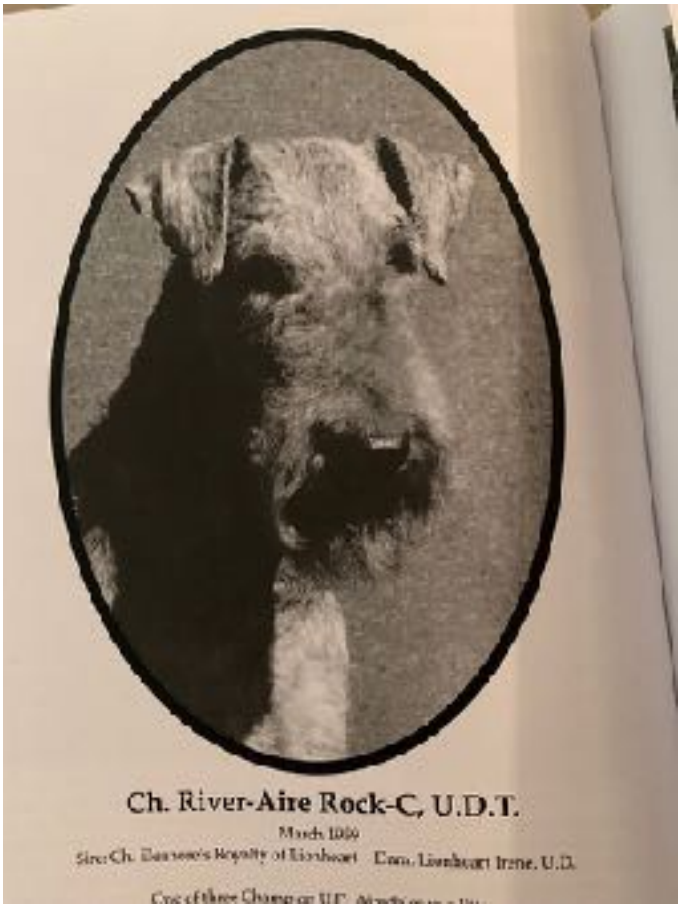
And finally for this page, a picture noted obedience titles: “Marge Schonher with Ch. River-Aire Rock-C CDX and Ch. River-Aire Bonni-Rox UDT (circa 1950 photo).”

So, the answers may not be definitive but CATC members’ interest in AKC obedience training and showing continues. Four of the eight OTCH-titled Airedale terriers were proudly owned by CATC members! Currently, a half dozen teams are active.

Please reach out to a CATC member if you would like to learn more. Like Helene Whitehouse Walker’s poodles, our Airedale terriers are more than pretty faces!




The *California Airedale Terrier Club 100 Year Anniversary* book is a font of information.




A photo of Ch. River-Aire Rock-C, UDT, from 1959. Breeders/owners were John and Marjorie Schonher. (*California Airedale Terrier Club 100 Year Anniversary,* page

[Photos from the *California Airedale Terrier Club 100 Year Anniversary book,* provided courtesy of Christine Hyde.]

# WALKS, WALKS, WALKS!

**Airedales Take Carmel: A Beach Day Walk**
By Phyllis Sarkaria

Each September, Carmel-by-the-Sea's famous white-sand beach welcomes a spirited pack of Airedale terriers and their people for the California Airedale Terrier Club's (CATC) annual gathering. This year, ten dogs made the trip—nine majestic Airedales and one lively Welsh cousin—bringing their signature charm to this dog-friendly coastal town.



**Cool Morning; Warm Spirits**
The day began under a soft marine layer; the beach wrapped in shades of gray. But if the skies were subdued, the dogs certainly weren't. Much barking and tail wagging marked the gathering where the parking lot meets the sand. Then, with tails held high, the Airedales and their people headed down the hill toward the water. Onlookers smiled and took photos as we made our way to the north end of the beach for a little frolicking and a group photo. We had been cautioned ahead of the visit by rangers to avoid any sea lions, dead or alive. Fortunately, we encountered neither. The dogs enjoyed sniffing drift wood, seaweed, non-Airedales, and one another. A few spirited pups played their own version of tag along the shoreline, while most avoided the water. Conversation and laughter could be heard above the sound of surf.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea: Made for Dogs**
Carmel is tiny—just about one square mile in size—and largely residential in feel. The town is more than just picturesque though. It's one of the most dog-friendly destinations in California. On Carmel Beach, dogs can run free so long as they respond to their humans, making it a paradise for energetic breeds like Airedales. Around town, water bowls sit outside shop doors, dog-friendly inns abound, and restaurant patios welcome four-legged guests and their human companions.

**From Sand to Sidewalk Café**
As the morning wore on, the sun began to break through the clouds. After the romp, the group traded the beach for a relaxing lunch on the patio at Anton & Michel's where we were spread out around the water fountain. The pups settled at their owners' feet—tired but content—while their humans enjoyed a bite to eat, catching up and sharing stories of past Airedale adventures and plans for the year ahead.

**A Tradition of Joy**
This annual CATC meet-up is more than just a day out; it's a celebration of companionship, both canine and human. For the Airedales, it's a chance to revel in freedom and play. For their people, it's a reminder of the bonds these spirited terriers create, not just within families but also across a community of dog lovers.

As the last of the group departed, Carmel's charm lingered. With sandy paws and full hearts, both dogs and humans left knowing they'd return—because in Carmel, every Airedale truly feels at home. We hope everyone will put the second Saturday after Labor Day—September 19, 2026—on your calendars and join us next year!

















[Photos courtesy of Teresa Hardy, Jeff Jortner, and Phyllis Sarkaria.]

**CATC's William Land Park Walk—the Best Birthday Ever**
Shared by Airedale terrier Eagle Hyde

I am only two years old, so I haven't had many birthdays. But for sure, this year was my best birthday ever!

On my November 2 birthday, Mom and I joined a California Airedale Terrier Club (CATC) walk at historic William Land Park in Sacramento. Of course, my favorite part was visiting with all my canine friends. Nothing could be merrier than tail wagging with a dozen Airedale terriers! Although I had met many Airedales on previous walks, this walk brought out some newcomers. And, a pack of Welsh terrier cousins even showed up. I like (most of) those little guys. They look up to me!

The dog woof quickly spread that I was the Birthday Boy—the #1 King for the day. Yippee! Kairk Aunt Harlow and Kairk Terrorific nieces barked special wishes. The Terrorific girls have already earned a bunch of points and wanted to know when I would start showing. "The Eagle will land soon!" I said.

I became very excited when I spotted geese and ducks around the pond. I was ready to get 'em, but my mom said, "No, Eagle. No stalking and no goose poop. If you want to soar like an Eagle, you can't be flocking with fowl." I had to behave—especially on my birthday.

What a perfect autumn day! The temperatures were in the mid 70s—just right for us terriers and our humans. I got to chase some falling leaves. Some sports teams were playing in the park. Out in the neighborhood around the park, we saw pumpkins and other Halloween decorations. Some folks were even gathered for a picnic lunch. A wonderful outing!

I wonder what we're going to do next year on my third birthday?



This is me, Eagle, on my debut University of Pacific walk on February 3, 2024. I LOVE walks!









[Photos courtesy of Gary Bilovesky and Teresa Hardy.]

**Member Brags: Something to Talk About**
By Sheila Tay Radcliffe

This is the first time I'm sending in a worthy brag for the newsletter, so I hope it will get included because it is a once in a lifetime event. I never thought it was possible to end this year's show circuit in such a fantastic way for anybody, let alone me, but it really did happen, so imagine my shock and happiness.

At the Southern Oregon Kennel Club show in Central Point Oregon, November 1 and 2, Lola won Owner Handled (OH) Best in Show . . . twice! It happened back to back on that Saturday and Sunday. In addition to her January first ever Best in Show win in Puyallup Washington, this achievement rounds it up to three OH best in show ribbons for 2025. With the point calculations for AKC starting in September, Lola is now the Owner Handled #1 Airedale terrier. We plan to breed Lola in 2026 and, hopefully, will get to enjoy her motherhood in the whelping box.



Lola also achieved GCH Bronze this year, as well as achieving NOHS Silver. We are currently working toward the NOHS Gold, and she is currently only 145 points shy of the required 1,000 points. So Lola's full name is now GCHB CH Kairk's Merrie Monarch RATN.

We are extremely proud of and happy for her accomplishments; she has far exceeded our goal, which was to get her Grand Champion title. Both Rob and I are grateful for breeders Devon Allen and Susan Lybyer for entrusting Lola to us.

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The 2026 issue 1 of ***Aire-ing the News,*** the club newsletter, is coming your way. Submit contributions to editorscatc@gmail.com by **March 1, 2026.**

- New puppy in the house?
- A contribution for "What's Your Airedale Up To?"
- Something for "CATC in the World"?

All ideas welcome.

**In Memoriam**
Members are invited to remember the Airedales who have left us behind.

[Lexxi entry with one photo]
**Lexxi (Hat Trick's Charizma of Blackheath)**
**February 20, 2013, to October 30, 2025**
Submitted by Amy Bauman and Frank Snyder



*Lexxi Rules: a set of rules to live by, as dictated by Lexxi.*

From the moment we met Lexxi, we loved her independence. Airedale people understand that quality; it's part of what makes the breed so very attractive. Lexx, in particular, followed her own path, and, if you were going to be in Lexxi's pack, you had to know the rules—the Lexxi Rules. Lexxi's rules expanded almost daily, it seemed, especially as she grew older. For example, in regard to

- trips outside: "After I go out back, I drink water from the silver bucket out front."
- walk times: "Wait. I need to find the perfect toy to celebrate this."
- a certain bark at treat time: "I liked that. Give me more."

Lexxi had many rules but held fast only to Rule #1: "Live with joy." And she shared it generously.

Lexxi, a girl to love, may be gone, but some of her rules live on, and, particularly in regard to Rule #1, we can live with that.

## In Memoriam: CH Hat Trick's Dare To Dream* (aka Lilly)

**October 18, 2015, to December 27, 2024**
Submitted by Nancy Dirgo, Kaye Little, and Stephanie Adcock

Lilly was the first of ten puppies in the Hat Trick D litter. From day one, we knew she was something very special. Lilly was a prima donna, but when the time came she was a great mom. And she loved being in the show ring.

When Georgia and I took Lilly to Stephanie and Kaye at her new home in Los Gatos, they were worried she might not like living in town. Their fears were quickly erased: she loved her daily morning walks around town where they said Lilly was a "rock star," with people saying she was "adorable," "stunning," and "beautiful" just to mention a few comments. She was the Mayor of Los Gatos!

Lilly had weekly days at the beach where she greeted every small dog she met, weekly lunch dates (Lilly's Lunch Club) enjoying the crust of every pizza, and trips to her cabin where she loved riding in her red golf cart down to the lake and onto the golf course where she patiently watched her moms play golf.



Lilly was a beautiful and loving soul who made the people in her life so very happy. She is no longer by our side but forever in our hearts. Thank you, Lilly for being such a special girl!

(Photos continued on page 17.)







Lilly being very Lilly!

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**CATC ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS**
**Awarded December 13, 2025**

Achievement Awards, listed here, were presented at the December 13, 2025, California Airedale Terrier Club (CATC) General Meeting and awarded to the owners of the following Airedales. Each of these Airedales attained the indicated title, which was published by the AKC between July and December 2025.

***Conformation Titles***

*Grand Champion (GCH)*
**GCH CH Terrorific Ready To Rumble** (dog)
Published July 2025; completed 5/25/25 .
(Ch. Redcoat Sterlingnan's Lagacy ex Ch. Terrorific Hot And Spicy)
Breeders: Ms. Virginia Latham Smith & Deirdre Dawson
Owners: Ms. Virginia Latham Smith & Deirdre Dawson

*Champion (CH)*
**CH Garland Matilija Poppy** (bitch)
Published August 2025; completed 6/7/25
(GChS Ch. Kairk's Lightning Strikes ex GCh. Ch. Garland Hardknott Dahlia)
Breeders: Kristi L Burrus & Nancy Bougher
Owners: Kristi L Burrus & Nancy Bougher

*Champion (CH)*
**CH Mar Vista Action Figure RI** (bitch)
Published August 2025; completed 6/20/25
(GChG Ch. Brisline's Baron Basil Of Woodside ex Ch. Longvue In Focus At Mar Vista)
Breeder: Ms. Shel Greb
Owners: Lisa Heath & Ms. Shel Greb

*Champion (CH)*
**CH Windancer Adi Pushpa CGC** (dog)
Published August 2025; completed 6/8/25
(Wildside Legend Of Stafford Hollow ex GCh. Ch. Windancer Celtic Rose For Rangel BN DCAT RATN CGCA TKN)
Breeders: Nancy Strohmaier & William Strohmaier & Gabriel Rangel & Ivonne Rangel
Owners: Stephen Phillips & Nancy Strohmaier & William E Strohmaier & Karen Phillips

*Grand Champion Bronze (GCHB)*
**GCHB CH Mar Vista Sweet Baby Ray At Woodside** (dog)
Published August 2025; completed 6/20/25
(GChG Ch. Brisline's Baron Basil Of Woodside ex Ch. Longvue In Focus At Mar Vista)
Breeders: Ms. Shel Greb & Mrs. April Clyde & Mr. Todd Clyde
Owners: Carol B Reynolds & Ms. Shel Greb

*Grand Champion (GCH)*
**GCH CH Mar Vista Rendition At Brush Creek** (bitch)
Published September 2025; completed 7/30/25
(GChS Ch. Longvue Up The Ante ex Ch. Longvue In Focus At Mar Vista)
Breeder: Ms. Shel Greb
Owners: Vanessa Sidell & Ms. Shel Greb

*Grand Champion Bronze (GCHB)*
**GCHB CH Kairk's National Treasure** (dog)
Published October 2025; completed 8/21/25
(GChS Ch. Kairk's Lightning Strikes ex Ch. Kairk's Kiss 'N Tell CD BN CGCA CGCU)
Breeders: Devon Allen & Ron Jones
Owners: Devon Allen & Ron Jones

*Champion (CH)*
**CH Mar Vista Action Shot** (dog)
Published December 2025; completed 10/5/25
(GChG Ch. Longvue Dare To Dream ex Ch. Longvue In Focus At Mar Vista)
Breeder: Ms. Shel Greb
Owners: Alex Honor & Ms. Shel Greb

*Champion (CH)*
**CH Terrorific Magic Moment** (dog)
Published December 2025; completed 10/3/25
(GChB Ch. Kairk's National Treasure ex GChB Ch. Terrorific I Put A Spell On You)
Breeders: Christine Pierson & Deirdre Dawson
Owners: Deirdre Dawson & Christine Pierson & Virginia Smith

*Grand Champion Bronze (GCHB)*
**GCHB CH Kairk's Merrie Monarch RATN** (bitch)
Published December 2025; completed 10/25/25
(GChS Ch. Longvue Up The Ante ex Ch. Kairk's Just In Time TKN)
Breeders: Susan Lybyer & Devon Allen
Owners: Sheila Radcliffe & Devon Allen & Susan M Lybyer

*Grand Champion Bronze (GCHB)*
**GCHB CH Mar Vista Rendition At Brush Creek** (bitch)
Published December 2025; completed 10/4/25
(GChS Ch. Longvue Up The Ante ex Ch. Longvue In Focus At Mar Vista)
Breeder: Ms. Shel Greb
Owners: Vanessa Sidell & Ms. Shel Greb

***Obedience Titles***

*Beginner Novice (BN)*
**CH Kairk's Nobody Does It Quite Like You BN RN** (dog)
Published July 2025; completed 5/31/25
(GChS. Ch. Kairk's Lightning Strikes ex Ch. Kairk's Kiss 'N Tell CD BN CGCA CGCU)
Breeders: Devon Allen & Ron Jones
Owner: Kim Lemke

*Companion Dog (CD)*
**GCHB CH Plum Perfect's Explosion For Brisline CD BN RN** (bitch)
Published September 2025; completed 7/11/25
(Ch. Brisline's West Coast Offense ex Plum Perfect's Dynamite UD PCDX BN VER RN)
Breeder: Suzanne Tharpe
Owners: Suzanne Tharpe & Georgia McRae

*Companion Dog Excellent (CDX)*
**GCHB CH Plum Perfect's Explosion For Brisline CDX BN RN** (bitch)
Published December 2025; completed 10/11/25
(Ch. Brisline's West Coast Offense ex Plum Perfect's Dynamite UD PCDX BN VER RN)
Breeder: Suzanne Tharpe
Owners: Suzanne Tharpe & Georgia McRae

***Rally Titles***

*Rally Novice (RN)*
**GCH CH Sher Timeless Beauty For Windancer RN BCAT** (bitch)
Published November 2025; completed 9/6/25
(Windancer Newton For Cher ex Sher Tamako Cute)
Breeders: Nancy Ann Strohmaier & William E Strohmaier
Owners: Nancy Ann Strohmaier & William E Strohmaier

*Rally Intermediate (RI)*
**GCH CH Sher Timeless Beauty For Windancer RI BCAT** (bitch)
Published November 2025; completed 9/28/25
(Windancer Newton For Cher ex Sher Tamako Cute)
Breeders: Nancy Ann Strohmaier & William E Strohmaier
Owners: Nancy Ann Strohmaier & William E Strohmaier

*Rally Advanced (RA)*
**GCH CH Sher Timeless Beauty For Windancer RA BCAT** (bitch)
Published December 2025; completed 10/18/25
(Windancer Newton For Cher ex Sher Tamako Cute)
Breeders: Nancy Ann Strohmaier & William E Strohmaier
Owners: Nancy Ann Strohmaier & William E Strohmaier

***Fast CAT***

*BCAT (BCAT)*
**Avalonaire's Spiced Tiger BCAT** (bitch)
Published July 2025; completed 5/11/25
(Avalonaire's Fraxinus Excelsior FCAT TKN ex Avalonaire's Springtime Alchemy BCAT)
Breeder: Patricia K Gregg
Owner: Patricia K Gregg

*BCAT (BCAT)*
**Windancer Master Of The Royal Mint BCAT** (dog)
Published August 2025; completed 6/28/25
(GCh. Ch. Seneca Integrity ex GCh. Ch. Sher Timeless Beauty For Windancer BCAT)
Breeders: Nancy Ann Strohmaier & William E Strohmaier
Owners: Nancy Ann Strohmaier & William E Strohmaier

*DCAT (DCAT)*
**Windancer Master Of The Royal Mint DCAT FITB FTI** (dog)
Published December 2025; completed 10/25/25
(GCh. Ch. Seneca Integrity ex GCh. Ch. Sher Timeless Beauty For Windancer RA BCAT)
Breeders: Nancy Ann Strohmaier & William E Strohmaier
Owners: Nancy Ann Strohmaier & William E Strohmaier

***Additional AKC Titles:***

*Fetch Novice (FTN)*
**Windancer Master Of The Royal Mint FTN** (dog)
Published September 2025; completed 1/11/25
(GCh. Ch. Seneca Integrity ex GCh. Ch. Sher Timeless Beauty For Windancer BCAT)
Breeders: Nancy Ann Strohmaier & William E Strohmaier
Owners: Nancy Ann Strohmaier & William E Strohmaier

*Fetch Intermediate (FTI)*
**Windancer Master Of The Royal Mint FTI** (dog)
Published September 2025; completed 3/13/25
(GCh. Ch. Seneca Integrity ex GCh. Ch. Sher Timeless Beauty For Windancer BCAT)
Breeders: Nancy Ann Strohmaier & William E Strohmaier
Owners: Nancy Ann Strohmaier & William E Strohmaier

*Fit Dog Bronze (FITB)*
**Windancer Master Of The Royal Mint FITB** (dog)
Published September 2025; completed 7/31/25
(GCh. Ch. Seneca Integrity ex GCh. Ch. Sher Timeless Beauty For Windancer BCAT)
Breeders: Nancy Ann Strohmaier & William E Strohmaier
Owners: Nancy Ann Strohmaier & William E Strohmaier

*Farm Dog Certified (FDC)*
**Ch. Kairk's Kiss 'N Tell CD BN FDC CGCA CGCU** (bitch)
Published December 2025; completed 10/11/25
(Ch. Kairk's Grand Slam ex Ch. Kairk's Fascinating Rhythm)
Breeders: Devon Allen & Ron Jones
Owners: Karen Lapierre & Jeffrey Lapierre



## "Hey! What's *Your* Airedale Up To?"

Whether your Airedale's been earning accomplishments and awards or catching your eye in a delightfully terrier moment, *Aire-ing the News* wants to know!

Please send us blurbs of roughly 50 to 75 words—including owner/handler/breeder and Airedale—capturing your dog's latest. Send text and photos to editorscatc@gmail.com.

# California Airedale Terrier Club
# 2026 Regional Specialty & Events

## 5-day show/trial cluster located at the Lodi Grape Festival Showgrounds

**413 E. Lockeford St., Lodi, CA (209) 369-2771**

**Sponsored awards for Airedale Terriers every day in Conformation, Obedience and Rally!**

**Conformation Judges**

- **Thursday, April 9: Mr. David J. Kirkland - Northern California Terrier Club**
- **Friday, April 10: Mr. Harry H. (Butch) Schulman (Specialty) & Mrs. Carol Scott (Puppy & Veteran Sweepstakes) – California Airedale Terrier Club, in remembrance of Mrs. Carole Foucrault**
- **Saturday, April 11: Mr. Philip John – Sacramento Kennel Club***
- **Sunday, April 12: Mrs. Rosalind Kramer – Sacramento Kennel Club***
- **Monday, April 13: Mr. Eduardo L. Teixeira – Sacramento Kennel Club***

***Note: FastCat trials will be held on Saturday, Sunday and Monday!**

**CATC Catalog Advertisements: Electronic ready-to-go ads due by February 20, 2026. Ads needing formatting are due by February 6. 2026. Contact Patty Gregg @ avalonaire@aol.com**

**CATC Complimentary Events:**

- **Thursday, April 9: CATC sponsored hospitality in the RV area 30 minutes after Best in Show**
- **Friday, April 10: CATC sponsored luncheon and raffle in the RV area**

**CATC Specialty Events:**

- **Friday, April 10: Hospitality at 6 pm, followed by the banquet at 6:30 pm at the Hampton Inn & Suites**
- **Silent auction during the dinner, followed by a lively auction with some very special items!**
- **Members and guests of the Cairn Terrier Club of Northern California & California Airedale Terrier Club will attend the banquet and auctions.**

**CATC Host Hotel Reservations:**

- **Hampton Inn & Suites: 1337 Beckman Rd., Lodi CA (209) 369-2700**
  ***Room reservation block deadline March 12, 2026. Use Code: CAU***
  **There is a pet fee, please inquire when making reservations.**

**CATC Banquet Reservations:**

- **Friday, April 10 @ Hampton Inn & Suites.**
  **Hospitality 6 pm and Banquet 6:30 pm - Cost $45/pp**
  ***Checks made out to CATC are due by APRIL 3, 2026***
  **Please mail banquet reservation checks to:**
  **Virginia Smith, 5051 E. Collier Rd., Acampo, CA 95220**
  **Email address: lathamsmith168@gmail.com**



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# CALIFORNIA AIREDALE TERRIER CLUB

Specialty Advertisement Flyer

Show date - Friday April 11, 2026

**AD NO.**

Show # Date Received: _____

**Club Name**: California Airedale Terrier Club **Show Date**: April 11, 2026

Full Page ☐ (4-1/2 x 7-1/4) Half Page ☐ (4-1/2 x 3-9/16)

Signed: _____ Enclosed: $_____

Address: _____

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**Northern California Terrier Association (NCTA) Catalog**

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| Full Page with One Photograph | $60.00 |
| Half Page with Photograph | $50.00 |

***FOR BEST ADVERTISING RESULTS***

For best results, complete ads should be submitted in JPEG or PDF files. Please note that high resolution is required for the best results. Submissions should be sent, either on disk or by e-mail, to the CATC Advertising Chair. **Complete ads, submitted electronically, must be received by Friday February 20, 2026**

If photographs or artwork is submitted, electronic submission is preferable. If submitting hard copy, original photos *ALWAYS* reproduce the best. Be sure to label all photographs. Reprinted photographs & inkjet photographs reproduce the poorest. No negatives, slides or transparencies will be accepted. Photos submitted electronically, either on disk or by e-mail, should be sent to the CATC Advertising Chair. For best results use the highest resolution available. _____

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The measurements for ad size is 4 1/2" x 7 3/16" for a full page, 4 1/2" x 3 9/16" for a half page, and 4 1/2" x 1 3/4" for a quarter page. Please remember these measurements and proportions when preparing your ad. Advertisements submitted on Letter size paper (8 ½" X 11") will not reduce proportionately; this may affect the final quality or make-up of your ad. Please attach all artwork that is to be scanned with a *PAPER CLIP* to the accompanying ad sheet. *DO NOT USE TAPE OR STAPLES* as they may cause tears or other permanent marks that may deface the original photographs.

***DEADLINES:***

***Completed Electronic submissions - February 20, 2026***

***Hard copy advertising (needing composition) - February 6, 2026***

***Please make checks out to CATC***

SUBMIT CATALOG ADVERTISING TO: avalonaire@aol.com

Send hard copies to:
CATC
C/O Patricia Gregg
30500 Tressa Lane
Oakdale, CA 95361 209-847-2502

# CATC 2026 Event Calendar Coming Soon!

**ATCA Floating National Specialty—Boots, Barks & Bluebonnets**
March 20-22, 2026, Fort Worth, Texas

Entries close March 4, 2026.
MB-F, inc. Superintendent

ATCA Floating Specialty Dinner: Saturday, March 21, 2026



Chris Hyde herds friends to the ATCA Floating National Specialty. [Photo courtesy of Christine Hyde.]

**WHAT'S UP WITH YOU AND YOUR AIREDALE?**
**Please send us your updates, personal news, brags, puppy announcements, etc…**
**Your news and photos may be sent to editorscatc@gmail.com**
**We LOVE sharing what's going on with members and friends!**

# CATC Newsletter Policies and Procedures for Memorials and Advertising

## MEMORIALS

When an Airedale dies, a memorial tribute may be submitted by its owner. Subject to deadline, the memorial will be published in the next published newsletter. Guidelines for memorial submissions established by the CATC are as follows: CATC members or newsletter subscribers in good standing may submit a memorial for their Airedale. The text and photo(s) for the memorial may be no more than ½ page of the newsletter. Memorials shall be submitted directly to the editor(s). Text in Microsoft Word format and photos in jpeg format are the preferred method of submission. Final content and page layout are up to the discretion of the editor(s) to conform to guidelines.

## ADVERTISING

*Aire-ing the News* is the official newsletter of the California Airedale Terrier Club (CATC). It is published by CATC under the guidance of its board of directors. The purpose of *Aire-ing the News* is to provide information about CATC activities, its members, and Airedale terriers. *Aire-ing the News* welcomes paid advertising so long as the total number of advertising pages in an issue does not exceed a ratio of 25 percent advertising to 75 percent editorial content. Pro bono advertising as described below is exempt from the 25/75 percent ratio. Advertisements cannot promote live-animal sales or purchases. Advertising space cannot be used for political purposes. Advertising of dog events is permitted if the event is supported by CATC, ATCA, the AKC, a registry with a reciprocal agreement with the AKC or if the even is included in the AKC Title Recognition Program. Workshops, matches, seminars, training programs, and other dog-related activities that are hosted by AKC member or licensed clubs are included in this category. Advertised events may not, in theory or spirit, complete with similar CATC or AKC events or activities. This category of advertising is not included when calculating the 25/75 percent ratio. All advertising must be in "print-ready" or electronic format. Complete ads should be submitted directly to the editor in JPEG or PDF files. High resolution is required for best results. The measurements for ad size are 7½" by 9½" for a full-page ad; 7½" by 4¾" for a half page; and 3-5/8" by 4¾" for a quarter page.

## PRO BONO ADVERTISING

Regional Airedale Terrier clubs, terrier group clubs and associations, and ATCA may place advertising promoting their specialties or ATCA floating specialties or other club activities at no charge. AKC member and licensed clubs and clubs holding events that are included in the AKC Title Recognition Program may place advertising promoting club activities provided that the activities do not in spirit or in practice compete with CATC or ATCA events or activities. Workshops, matches, seminars, training programs, and other dog-related activities that are hosted by AKC member or licensed clubs are included in this category.

## PAID ADVERTISING

Advertising of dog-related products and/or services is accepted from CATC members, non-members, dog clubs and organizations, businesses (profit and not-for-profit) in the following priority:

1. Members advertising their dogs' achievements (brags) or other achievements provided they are dog related.
2. Non-members advertising their Airedale's achievements or other achievements provided they are dog related.
3. Classified advertising for equipment, Airedale memorabilia, etc.
4. Businesses advertising their dog-related products and services (provided the ration of 25 percent advertising to 75 percent editorial content has not been met). Businesses are limited to one page per issue.

## ADVERTISING RATES

Classified advertising is $5 per ad, no photo. Limited to 150 characters.
¼-page ad with photo: $10
½-page ad with one photo: $15; each additional photo: $5
1 page ad with one photo: $20; each additional photo: $5
Business card: $45 annually (4 issues)
In addition to the emailed digital files sent to editorscatc@gmail.com, , a print copy of each ad should be submitted directly to the CATC Treasurer with the payment included. Checks should be made payable to "CATC" and mailed to:
Linda VanBibber, Treasurer CATC ,10796 E Lime Kiln Rd., Grass Valley, CA 95949

## Standing Committees

2026 Specialty Nancy Strohmaier/
Kristi Burrus
Achievement Awards: Georgia McRae
Airedale Walks: Chris Hyde
AKC Delegate: Nancy Bougher
Breeder Referral: Patricia Gregg
CATC Communication: Devon Allen
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Historian: Chris Hyde
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**2026 newsletter due dates: March 1, June 1, September 1, December 1.**

Articles, photos, and letters must be submitted to the editors by these dates to be included in the next issue. Send to **editorscatc@gmail.com**

