



# HOORAY FOR 'HOWLYWOOD'!

## CTCSC ANNUAL SPECIALTY PLANS UNDERWAY

The Cairn Terrier Club of So. California is lucky to have such wonderful volunteers. The specialty committee is comprised of 16 people who are energetic, imaginative and extremely generous with their time as well as their commitment. Together we are working on a very exciting weekend of events for our 2011 3-day specialty weekend at The Queen Mary Events Park in Long Beach, CA, June 24-25-26, 2011 held in conjunction with Great Western Terrier Association. In this upcoming year, we are also hosting the Cairn Terrier Club of America's Roving National Specialty. On Monday and Tuesday, June 27/28, Great Western Terrier Association Earthdog Trials will be held at Canyon RV Park in Anaheim, CA.

Our judges for the three conformation days include the following:

### Friday, June 24, 2011

#### CTCSC Specialty & Sweepstakes

Puppy & Veteran Sweeps Judge – Marie Quarles  
Specialty Judge – Ray Bay

### Saturday, June 25, 2011

#### CTCSC Supported Entry at Great Western

Puppy & Veteran Sweeps Judge – Vicki Havlik  
Cairn Judge – Pending

### Sunday, June 26, 2011

#### CTCA Roving National Specialty & Sweepstakes at Great Western Terrier Association

Puppy & Veteran Sweeps Judge – Karin Godwin  
Specialty Judge – Karen Wilson

**Location:** Queen Mary Events Park,  
Long Beach, CA

**Host Hotel:** Queen Mary

**Show Chair:** Karen Smith (760-728-7133 or email  
redcoat@tfb.com)



The theme for this year's events is "Hooray for Howlywood" and the Committee is working tirelessly with decorations, theme-related trophies and its hospitality including 3 days of lunches and the Club Dinner on Saturday evening, June 25.

So mark your calendars accordingly and don't miss entering all your puppies and veterans in Sweepstakes all three days and come "Be A Star" and a part of our "Walk of Fame" Weekend.

Julie Thomas and Carol Dutra are diligently working on obtaining donations for our annual raffle and any special items anyone can donate for gift baskets and the like. Please look for their information in this newsletter and contact them directly ... your generosity is GREATLY appreciated!

Anyone wishing to volunteer, please contact Karen Smith at 760-728-7133 or email her at redcoat@tfb.com

## *Greetings to the CTCSC,*

There is so much wonderful activity going on within the Committee to prepare for December's Meet the Breed at Eukanuba and June's Great Western Shows. Busy, busy, busy.

Both of us (Julie Thomas and Carol Dutra) volunteered to focus on obtaining donations for the ways and means raffle at the events. As you know these donations will help fund Cairn Rescue efforts, underwrite the club's participation in the Great Western Terrier Club events and Meet the Breed.

For Great Western, we are asking each and every member to begin right now to collect items that can be donated for the raffles. Use your imagination (and do it often!). Though we all like to spoil our Cairns, items do not need to be only pet-related--people like new toys, too.

Here are some ideas:

- Gift cards to local stores, restaurants, and theater tickets
- Items for movie-themed baskets (microwave popcorn, DVDs, items that relate to a specific movie to match a DVD, etc.)
- Artwork-paintings, drawings, handmade craft items, hobby gear
- Food and Wine baskets are always appreciated
- Sporting events and/or sports gear
- Hotel stays or Timeshare weeks
- Professional services or expertise you may be able to provide
- Are you a good cook?- offer to prepare a meal for a group
- A wine expert?- do a tasting for a member and friends
- Anything you can think of that would have value to someone!

Contact us for 'not for profit' information should you need it for soliciting donations. If everyone does something every month (6 months) it will add up. If everyone helps out just a little, will have a very successful raffle that will support our club's efforts to promote the Cairn Terrier.

## *Thank you,*

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# MESSAGE FROM THE CTCSC PRESIDENT

## Hi All.

I spent considerable time in Pennsylvania this year and was able to visit most of the 2010 Terrier events. The weather was wonderful and all the events were well attended. I have to say this was one of the Best National Specialty weekends I have attended over the past 30 years.

It was especially encouraging to see that Cairn Terriers had the largest entry at the Montgomery County KC show. However, our judge, Jon Cole, made quick work of sorting out the approximate 148 Cairns exhibited. Congratulations to all the winners.

Our new CTCA performance event chairman, Charmaine Fedick, also received rave reviews and a special thanks from the membership for coordinating a wonderful performance day at this year's CTCA Hosted Performance program at Kimberton.

The CTCA Sweepstakes was also well organized, wonderful trophies and prizes were presented to the winners and great Cairn spirit was apparent around the Sweepstakes ring. Becky Stamps was privileged to judge marvelous puppies and everyone present enjoyed her thoughtful examination of all the pups presented.

## Progress Report

At the CTCA Board meeting, we welcomed our newly elected Recording Secretary, Jennifer Pic and new board members Barbara McNamee and Lydia Hutchinson. I was honored to be elected as CTCA President for the 2010/2011 term.

The Board took considerable time to outline a vision for the future of the club as well as identify critical issues, goals and committee alignments that need to be addressed during the next 3 to 5 years. These discussions will hopefully result in a comprehensive 3 to 5-year plan for the Cairn Terrier Club of America and bring needed support to our affiliated clubs.

Pam McDonald, Chair of the Cairn Terrier Club of America Foundation, made a progress report at the Board and General Membership Meeting. She reminded the membership that the Foundation has now been in existence for approximately 20 years and continues to support our many education and health related activities.

The Education Committee presented Dr. Melissa Goodman, DVM, at the national specialty education day. Her lecture on Small Canine Reproduction was well received by those in attendance. I will send a copy of her outline to CTCSC Members.

Dr. Ilene Kaplan, Chair HRC, reported that the suggested minimal health testing guidelines are posted on the CTCA website for review. The goal of the HRC this year will be to update the health manual and develop a program to better educate veterinarians about health concerns specific to Cairns.


An American Kennel Club representative was present at the annual meeting and made a presentation on the new "CHIC" program sponsored by the AKC. CHIC established an "open" health registry for all AKC-registered dogs. This program requires adherence to the minimum testing guidelines of the breed clubs. Accordingly, further investigation is needed to determine if our very excellent testing protocols will blend with the requirements of the AKC before we move to join with this partnership. More information will be forthcoming regarding the CHIC program.

The CTCA continues to grow and we were pleased to accept the membership applications of 16 new members. Of equal importance is the fact that two of these 16 members were junior members. I think it is extremely important that we start looking to the youth of our club if our sport and breed is to be maintained in the future.

The discussion continued regarding holding a second stand-alone National specialty at Purina Farms, MO in the Spring of 2012. While I strongly believe that such an event would be wonderful, I question the feasibility of such an undertaking at the present time, based upon the economy and the current need to provide strong support to our affiliate clubs who are experiencing reduction in membership and participation at their regional events. A second stand-alone specialty would only exacerbate their problems in this regard by drawing participants away from their regional events. Accordingly, the Board, while not unanimous, agreed that this project should be adjourned at the present time and addressed in the future when hopefully the economy has improved and a plan has been developed to bring regional clubs together with the CTCA to support such a stand-alone Cairn Specialty.

Based on this decision, the Board approved the request of the Trinity Valley Cairn Terrier Club to hold the Roving National Specialty in Fort Worth, Texas during the year





2012. The Board also committed itself to support stronger attendance at Roving National Specialty Events held around the country.

This year, there will be a CTCA Board and Membership meeting held in conjunction with the CTCA National Roving Specialty hosted by the CTCSC at Great Western. Members and non members will be invited to attend the membership meeting which will be the first membership meeting held outside of Pennsylvania since 1985.

Divergent opinions regarding the Cairn Terrier Club of America's participation in rescue still linger among the CTCA board and membership. Accordingly, I plan to meet with the Chair of our Rescue Committee, Barbara McNamee, next month to examine alternatives to assist us in rebuilding what once was a strong and responsive rescue program. Meanwhile, the CTCSC RESCUE program is alive, active and well received.

The Illustrated Standard Committee continues to "wrestle" with their challenge to develop a standard clarification booklet that will be of value to judges and breeders in evaluating Cairn Terriers. One of the main issues of concern continues to be the size of Cairns bred and exhibited and how they compare to the "ideal size" as described in the American Cairn Terrier Standard. The Board recognizes that the membership recently voted not to amend the American standard. Accordingly, the Board has "challenged" this committee to write this clarification without including defacto" changes to the standard that the membership has recently indicated, by majority vote, that they did not want changed. I strongly believe that there is an answer to this conundrum and that our standard, as written, is broad enough to assist judges and breeders in identifying Cairns of proper type as the breed goes through changes over time.

I wish all of you a very happy holiday season. I look forward to meeting with you at our supported entry, club meeting and Meet the Breeds booth on December 3, 2010 at the Long Beach Convention Center. I also look forward to working together to put on another outstanding CTCA Roving National and CTCSC specialty in June at Great Western.

Good Tidings To All ... *Jack Smith*

# AKC ANNOUNCES NEW GRAND CHAMPION TITLE



If you have participated in or watched an American Kennel Club dog show recently, you may have noticed the new placements “Select Dog” and “Select Bitch” in the show ring. You may have even seen a new “GCH” title preceding a dog’s registered name. This is all part of AKC’s announcement earlier this year that a new title

for conformation events--Grand Champion--is now being offered.

This new title will be available to AKC Champions of Record, giving the opportunity for Champion dog owners to return to (or continue in) the show ring with their champions and further showcase the quality of their breeding stock. Competition for this new title began in May, 2010 and to date, many Cairn Terriers have earned this new title. AKC touts this new title as an opportunity to encourage retired champions to return to the show ring and new champions to continue to show.

## How it Works

Competition for this new title will be judged during the Best of Breed/Variety competition at all-breed, group and specialty shows. All Champions of Record entered in the Best of Breed/Variety competition will be eligible to compete for Grand Championship points. There is no additional entry fee. Grand Championship points are awarded, at the judge’s discretion, to the following placements: Best of Breed/Variety, Best of Opposite Sex, Select Dog and Select Bitch. Select Dog and Select Bitch are Champions that were recognized as the top quality of their sex after BOB and BOS have been awarded.

Grand Championship points are calculated using the same AKC Point Schedule as is used for Championship points. Dogs entered in non-regular classes are not counted in the computation of Championship or Grand Championship points. Champions of Record including champions that

are non-regular class winners (i.e. Veterans Class Winners) or dogs that have been “moved up” to Best of Breed competition for the show are the only dogs eligible for Grand Championship points. Although Winners Dog or Winners Bitch can win Best of Breed or Best of Opposite Sex, in no case will they be eligible for Grand Champion competition.

Grand Championship points may be awarded to eligible dogs as follows:

- **Best of Breed** – All dogs of both sexes in the breed or variety exhibited in the regular classes and Best of Breed competition will be counted
- **Best of Opposite Sex to Best of Breed** – All dogs of the same sex in the breed or variety exhibited in the regular classes and Best of Breed competition will be counted
- **Select Dog or Select Bitch** – The total number of dogs of the same sex in the breed/variety defeated in the regular classes and BOB competition will be counted. (i.e. 2 dogs less than the total number of the same sex)

Completion of the title requires all of the following:

- Twenty five Grand Championship points
- Three “majors” (three or more points earned at a single show) won under three different
- judges
- At least one or more of these points won under a fourth judge
- Must have defeated at least one other AKC Champion of Record at three shows

Starting in 2010, dogs who earn their Grand Champion title will receive an invitation to the AKC/ Eukanuba National Championship.

For more information about the AKC Grand Champion title please see the AKC Rules Applying to Dog Shows.

Information related to “How It Works” appeared in the AKC article, “American Kennel Club Announces New Grand Champion Title” (4.15.10) [www.akc.org](http://www.akc.org)

# AKC *National Championship Week*

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The AKC Eukanuba National Championship, AKC Agility Invitational, and AKC National Obedience Invitational will cap off five days of dog competitions in Long Beach, California from December 1-5, 2010. As it has for the past several years, the Cairn Terrier Club of Southern California will host the "Meet the Breed" booth. Next year, these national events will move to Florida, so this will be the last chance to attend these national events locally for several years. In addition to the national competitions, the Kennel Club of Beverly Hills, Los Encinos Kennel Club and Long Beach Kennel Club will hold shows the three days leading up to the national championship and invitational events.

All events will take place at the Long Beach Convention Center. The following schedule of Cairn-related activities is for your reference. For more information or to confirm times/locations, please visit [www.jbradshaw.com](http://www.jbradshaw.com) for local kennel club events December 1-3, and [www.akc.org](http://www.akc.org) for the December 4-5 national events. We hope to see you there!

## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

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**Wednesday, December 1, 2010**  
**Kennel Club of Beverly Hills**

1 p.m. Ring 17  
Judge: Mr. Peter J. Green  
Cairn Terriers 5-6-(8-6)

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**Thursday, December 2, 2010**  
**Los Encinos Kennel Club**

1 p.m. Ring 17  
Judge: Mr. Hiroshi Kamisato  
Cairn Terrier 4-7-(9-6)

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**Friday, December 3, 2010**  
**Long Beach Kennel Club**

12:30 p.m. Ring 17  
Judge: Mr. Ernie Slone  
Cairn Terriers Sweepstakes 2-4

1 p.m. Ring 17  
Judge: Mrs. Roberta L. Campbell  
Cairn Terrier 6-10-(10-6)

Immediately following Cairn Terrier judging:  
CTCSC Joint Board & General Membership Meeting & Holiday Gathering-  
Exhibit Halls B/C (Grooming Area)

### CAIRN TERRIER CLUB OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA JOINT BOARD & GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING NOTICE & HOLIDAY GATHERING

**Friday, December 3, 2010**

**Place: Long Beach Convention Center – Exhibit Halls B/C (Grooming Area)**

**300 E. Ocean Blvd., Long Beach, CA**

**Time: After the Cairn Judging ...approximately 1 p.m.**

The Cairn Terrier Club of Southern California will hold a joint board and general membership meeting on Friday, Dec. 3, at the Long Beach Convention Center Exhibit Hall B/C in the grooming area marked Cairn Terrier Club of Southern California.

In order to celebrate the holidays and join in the festive atmosphere of the dog shows, members and guests are invited to bring appetizers/snacks/desserts!!!

On Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 4 & 5, the AKC/Eukanuba Championship Show is also being held at the Long Beach Convention Center. As we have done for the past 5 years, the CTCSC hosts a breed booth for two days at the AKC show. We would like to encourage our membership to participate. Please contact Karen Smith at 760 728-7133 or email her at [redcoat@tfb.com](mailto:redcoat@tfb.com) to volunteer. The booth is open from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. both Saturday and Sunday.

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**Saturday, December 4, 2010**  
**AKC Eukanuba National Championship/AKC**  
**Agility Invitational/**  
**AKC National Obedience Invitational**

*Note: Terriers will be shown on Sunday, but come out to cheer on some of the top agility Cairn Terriers in the US and to visit the "Meet the Breed" booth!*

8-4 p.m. Cairn Terrier "Meet the Breed" Booth hours

**Agility\*-Round 1, Standard**

9:25-9:45 a.m. Ring 1: 8" Class Walk Thrus

9:45-11:30 a.m. Ring 1: 8" Class Runs

11:10-11:30 a.m. Ring 2: 12" Class Walk Thrus

11:35-1:00 p.m. Ring 2: 12" Class Runs

**Agility-Round 2, Jumps With Weaves**

3:15-3:35 p.m. Ring 1: 12" Class Walk Thrus

3:40-4:50 p.m. Ring 1: 12" Class Runs

3:20-3:40 p.m. Ring 2: 8" Class Walk Thrus

3:45-5:05 p.m. Ring 2: 8" Class Runs

*\*Note: There are five Cairn Terriers entered in the agility invitational--three compete in the 8" class and two compete in the 12" class.*

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**Sunday, December 5, 2010**  
**AKC Eukanuba National Championship/AKC**  
**Agility Invitational/**  
**AKC National Obedience Invitational**

8-4 p.m. Cairn Terrier "Meet the Breed" Booth hours

**Conformation Judging: Cairn Terriers**

12:05 p.m. Ring 5

Judge: Mr. W. Ronald Irving

Cairn Terriers 12-7 BBE 4-4

**Conformation Judging: Bred-by-Exhibitor Terrier Group**

3:45 p.m. Ring 3 (following Herding and Working Groups)

Judge: Mrs. Lydia Coleman Hutchinson

**Variety Group Judging, World Challenge Finals, Best Bred-By-Exhibitor in Show, Breeder of the Year, Best in Show**

7:00 p.m. Arena

**Agility-Round 3, Jumps With Weaves**

8:10-8:30 a.m. Ring 1: 8" Class Walk Thrus

8:35-9:55 a.m. Ring 1: 8" Class Runs

9:35-9:55 a.m. Ring 2: 12" Class Walk Thrus

10:00-11:10 a.m. Ring 2: 12" Class Runs

**Agility-Round 4, Hybrid**

2:00-2:20 p.m. Ring 1: 12" Class Walk Thrus

2:25-3:45 p.m. Ring 1: 12" Class Runs

1:35-1:55 p.m. Ring 2: 8" Class Walk Thrus

2:00-3:30 p.m. Ring 2: 8" Class Runs

**Agility-Round 5, Finals (will include the top 12 qualifiers from the 8" class and the top 11 qualifiers from the 12" class)**

4:25-4:55 p.m. Ring 1: 12" Class Walk Thrus

5:00-6:20 p.m. Ring 1: 12" Class Runs



# Club Member NEWS

## Ragtime America's Patriot (Toby)

Howard and Carol Dutra are proud that their Toby, Ragtime America's Patriot, was awarded Winner's Dog, under Judge Mr. Stephen Hubble, at the Burbank Kennel Club's October show. Carol ably performed the handling duties. They are thrilled to see the quality of their not quite two-year old dog recognized at this large Southern California event.

Toby also earned his International Championship at the IABCA Southland Summer Sieger 2010, held on August 7 and 8 at the Prado Regional Park in Corona, CA. It was a wonderfully laid back weekend where the quality of the dog was really allowed to shine through. Toby achieved this distinction in one weekend.



## Ragtime Gal (Sparkie) & Ragtime Naughty But Gneiss (Caber)

Howard and Carol Dutra's puppy, Sparkie (Ragtime Gal,) accompanied her brother, Caber (Ragtime Naughty But Gneiss,) and co-owner, Anne Dove, to the November Earthdog meet held at Canyons RV park in Anaheim Hills. Sparkie went right down the hole in the intro tunnel and worked the quarry! JE, here she comes!

Carol Dutra took Sparkie and Caber to the Puppy Match at the Antelope Valley Kennel Club Show held on November 5th at the Industry Hills Expo Center. Both puppies showed well. They have bright futures in the Show Ring!

Sparkie and Caber were granted their AKC S.T.A.R. Puppy certificates in September upon successful graduation from puppy kindergarten. These are the important first steps to Canine Good Citizen, so both puppies are on their way. Howard and Carol Dutra are proud of their little Sparkie girl and Kathleen Spelman and Anne Dove are equally proud of Caber.





# WHELPING BOX

## Lucille Mansfield is Pleased to Announce...

YellowBrickRoad Private Label ("Sabrina") had her final litter on July 31. She whelped 3 females and 3 males, all of whom are healthy and vibrant. The sire was Yellow Brick Road Nick Knack ("Nick"). Five of the puppies have already gone to their forever homes, and the sixth is remaining with Lucille for now.

## Ragtime's Rocky Road (Rocky)

Anne Dove is pleased to announce that in August, Rocky earned his International Championship title over the course of the weekend. He also went best of breed and earned group placements each of the three shows.

In September at the Santa Ana Valley Kennel Club shows, Rocky went winner's dog and best opposite sex both days and the following Saturday, earned the same at the Burbank Kennel Club show.

After some challenging attempts at obedience training this stubborn adolescent, Rocky earned his Canine Good Citizen (CGC) certificate in November.



## Peebles JE CG CGC NW-1

Anne Dove is pleased to announce her rescue "Peebles" became the first Cairn Terrier to earn a K9 Nose Work title this November in Arroyo Grande from the National Association of Canine Nose Work. In addition to earning her NW-1 title, the dog-handler team earned the additional "pronounced" distinction which is an acknowledgement given by the judges for "exceptional technique and/or team work". Though bomb-sniffing and narcotics detection are not in her future, Peebles does look forward to continuing to train and compete in this fun sport!



## Ragtime Gingersnap (Gingersnap)

Kathleen Spelman is pleased to announce that Gingersnap earned a Group 1 at the Los Encinos Kennel Club match in October. Young owner-handler Rachel Azafrani held her own against experienced adults to show Ginger to the group win. Great job, Rachel!

# THE CAIRN TERRIER

This issue, a side-by-side comparison of the United States and the United Kingdom Cairn Terrier breed standards is provided. Please note that some elements of each standard appear out of order and/or in groupings to facilitate cross-referencing.

CAIRN TERRIER BREED STANDARD-US (APPROVED MAY 10, 1938)	CAIRN TERRIER BREED STANDARD-UK (LAST UPDATED MARCH 1994)
<p><b>General Appearance:</b> That of an active, game, hardy, small working terrier of the short-legged class; very free in its movements, strongly but not heavily built, standing well forward on its forelegs, deep in the ribs, well coupled with strong hindquarters and presenting a well-proportioned build with a medium length of back, having a hard, weather-resisting coat; head shorter and wider than any other terrier and well furnished with hair, giving a general foxy expression.</p>	<p><b>General Appearance:</b> Agile, alert, of workmanlike, natural appearance. Standing well forward on forepaws. Strong quarters. Deep in rib, very free in movement. Weather-resistant coat.  <b>Characteristics:</b> Should impress as being active, game and hardy.  <b>Temperament:</b> Fearless and gay disposition; assertive but not aggressive.</p>
<p><b>Skull:</b> Broad in proportion to the length with a decided stop and well furnished with hair on the top of the head, which may be somewhat softer than the body.  <b>Muzzle:</b> Strong but not too long or heavy.  <b>Nose:</b> Black.</p>	<p><b>Head and Skull:</b> Head small, but in proportion to body. Skull broad; a decided indentation between the eyes with a definite stop. Muzzle powerful, jaw strong but not long or heavy. Nose black. Head well furnished.  <b>Neck:</b> Well set on, not short.</p>
<p><b>Teeth:</b> Large, mouth neither overshot nor undershot.</p>	<p><b>Mouth:</b> Large teeth. Jaws strong with perfect, regular and complete scissor bite, i.e. upper teeth closely overlapping lower teeth and set square to the jaws.</p>
<p><b>Eyes:</b> Set wide apart, rather sunken, with shaggy eyebrows, medium in size, hazel or dark hazel in color, depending on body color, with a keen terrier expression</p>	<p><b>Eyes:</b> Wide apart, medium in size, dark hazel. Slightly sunk with shaggy eyebrows.</p>
<p><b>Ears:</b> Small, pointed, well carried erectly, set wide apart on the side of the head. Free from long hairs.</p>	<p><b>Ears:</b> Small, pointed, well carried and erect, not too closely set nor heavily coated.</p>
<p><b>Tail:</b> Tail in proportion to head, well furnished with hair but not feathery. Carried gaily but must not curl over back. Set on at back level.</p>	<p><b>Tail:</b> Short, balanced, well furnished with hair but not feathery. Neither high nor low set, carried gaily but not turned down towards back.</p>
<p><b>Body:</b> Well muscled, strong, active body with well-sprung, deep ribs, coupled to strong hindquarters, with a level back of medium length, giving an impression of strength and activity without heaviness.</p>	<p><b>Body:</b> Back level, medium length. Well sprung deep ribs; strong supple loin.</p>
<p><b>Shoulders, Legs and Feet:</b> A sloping shoulder, medium length of leg, good but not too heavy bone; forelegs should not be out at elbows, and be perfectly straight, but forefeet may be slightly turned out. Forefeet larger than hind feet. Legs must be covered with hard hair. Pads should be thick and strong and dog should stand well up on its feet.</p>	<p><b>Forequarters:</b> Sloping shoulders, medium length of leg, good but not too heavy bone. Forelegs never out at elbow. Legs covered with harsh hair.  <b>Hindquarters:</b> Very strong muscular thighs. Good, but not excessive, bend of stifle. Hocks well let down inclining neither in nor out when viewed from the rear.  <b>Feet:</b> Forefeet, larger than hind, may be slightly turned out. Pads thick and strong. Thin, narrow or spreading feet and long nails objectionable.</p>
<p><b>Coat:</b> Hard and weather-resistant. Must be double-coated with profuse harsh outer coat and short, soft, close furry undercoat.</p>	<p><b>Coat:</b> Very important. Weather-resistant. Must be double-coated, with profuse, harsh, but not coarse, outer coat; undercoat short, soft and close. Open coats objectionable. Slight wave permissible.</p>

# BREED STANDARD

CAIRN TERRIER BREED STANDARD-US (CONTINUED)	CAIRN TERRIER BREED STANDARD-UK (CONTINUED)
<p><b>Color:</b> May be of any color except white. Dark ears, muzzle and tail tip are desirable.</p>	<p><b>Colour:</b> Cream, wheaten, red, grey or nearly black. Brindling in all these colours acceptable. Not solid black, or white, or black and tan. Dark points, such as ears and muzzle, very typical.</p>
<p><b>Ideal Size:</b> Involves the weight, the height at the withers and the length of body. Weight for bitches, thirteen pounds; for dogs, fourteen pounds. Height at the withers, bitches nine and a half inches; dogs, ten inches. Length of body from fourteen and a quarter to fifteen inches from the front of the chest to back of hindquarters. The dog must be of balanced proportions and appear neither leggy nor too low to ground; and neither too short nor too long in body. Weight and measurements are for mature dogs at two years of age. Older dogs may weigh slightly in excess and growing dogs may be under these weights and measurements.</p>	<p><b>Size:</b> Approximately 28-31 cms (11-12 ins) at withers, but in proportion to weight – ideally 6-7.5 kgs (14-16 lbs).</p>
<p><b>Condition:</b> Dogs should be shown in good hard flesh, well muscled and neither too fat or thin. Should be in full good coat with plenty of head furnishings, be clean, combed, brushed and tidied up on the ears, tail, feet and general outline. Should move freely and easily on a loose lead, should not cringe on being handled, should stand up on their toes and show with marked terrier characteristics.</p>	<p><b>Gait/Movement:</b> Very free-flowing stride. Forelegs reaching well forward. Hindlegs giving strong propulsion. Hocks neither too close nor too wide.</p>
<p><b>Faults</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Skull - Too narrow in skull.</li> <li>2. Muzzle - Too long and heavy a foreface; mouth overshot or undershot.</li> <li>3. Eyes - Too large, prominent, yellow, and ringed are all objectionable.</li> <li>4. Ears - Too large, round at points, set too close together, set too high on the head; heavily covered with hair.</li> <li>5. Legs and Feet - Too light or too heavy bone. Crooked forelegs or out at elbow. Thin, ferrety feet; feet let down on the heel or too open and spread. Too high or too low on the leg.</li> <li>6. Body - Too short back and compact a body, hampering quickness of movement and turning ability. Too long, weedy and snaky a body, giving an impression of weakness. Tail set on too low. Back not level.</li> <li>7. Coat - Open coats, blousy coats, too short or dead coats, lack of sufficient undercoat, lack of head furnishings, lack of hard hair on the legs. Silkiness or curliness. A slight wave permissible.</li> <li>8. Nose - Flesh or light-colored nose.</li> <li>9. Color - White on chest, feet or other parts of body.</li> </ol>	<p><b>Faults</b></p> <p>Any departure from the foregoing points should be considered a fault and the seriousness with which the fault should be regarded should be in exact proportion to its degree and its effect upon the health and welfare of the dog.</p>

# IS THE NATURAL LOOKING CAIRN DISAPPEARING?

*by Sassa Stenroos*

## *Is the modest, natural looking Cairn Terrier disappearing?*

The popularity of Cairn Terrier has increased in the Nordic countries, and perhaps in many other countries too. We are paying a high price for it. It is now very common to see a stylish Cairn Terrier with a long neck, short back and strong hind angulation with movement not typical for a Cairn winning at dog shows. Where has the shaggy workmanteype little terrier gone?

The original breed standard says that the neck of the cairn is "not short". But it is read otherwise: The neck should be long, and the longer, the better. This is not how it should be. A typical, good Cairn is sound, overall balanced and not exaggerated in any way. The whole dog is proportional, including the neck. Cairn is a dog with whom you do not run in the ring. When the Cairn moves, it covers ground well. Its front legs swing as far forward in front of the body as they swing back under the body. And its back legs swing as far back behind the body as they swing forward under the body. It moves in an

energy-saving way: its legs do not get high up from the ground. A high back kick is wasted energy. It is this way of movement that guarantees it can run on rocks all day. The Cairn has been developed to be a working dog. That's why movement that is typical to the breed is very important.

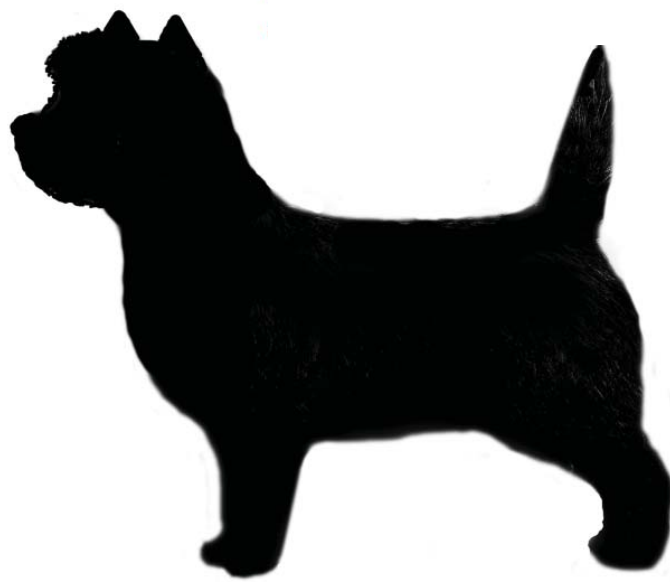
The wrong type of winner with a proportionally short back, high tailset and exaggerated back leg angulation moves in a 'rolling' way at the rear, or so that its back legs are thrown up high - nearly 90 degrees - behind the body. A Cairn like this can run fast in the ring, fast like a trotting horse. It looks stylish and it is showy - and therefore it is easy to fall into the trap. But this kind of movement is not typical of the breed. You do not run with the Cairn terrier in the ring! The breed standard reads: "Good but not excessive bend of stifle."

Judges and the breeders have a big responsibility to save the breed as it has been given to us. We are not working only for immediate success at dog shows and for ourselves more generally, but we have a responsibility to save the breed as it has been for decades and as it should be in the future.

*Wrong type, too short back,  
too long neck, too high tailset,  
sloping topline, overangulated*



*Well balanced, level topline,  
good neck, correct tailset, well  
angulated, good length of back*





A very well moving cairn terrier. The Legs do not get high up from the ground.

The essence of the Cairn includes joyfulness and activeness: It does not stand like statue watching in the eyes of the handler in the ring. Joy and playfulness live in the eyes of the Cairn. It is an important part of the charm of the cairn terrier. The breed standard (British) says "General Appearance: Agile, alert, of workmanlike, natural appearance.....Temperament: Fearless and gay disposition, assertive but not aggressive."

Strange coat colors have also entered the breed. Light-colored dogs with large sooty areas in the chest, head or tail, and dark brindle dogs with large white patches, neither of which are desirable. With this I do not mean the dark mask which is highly desirable.

Nowadays Cairn Terriers in the show ring are trimmed too much to a perfection, almost each hair immaculately in its place. Yet, the Cairn should have a coat which is not too tidy and not too short. Has the important expression of 'natural appearance' been forgotten? It is sad today to see Cairns standing almost in their 'underwear' in the ring. And the

neck has been trimmed nearly out of hair, to emphasize an appearance of a long neck. The 'trousers' have also been groomed away, to emphasize the hind angulation. (Coat:"Very important...Must be double-coated with profuse, harsh but not coarse, outer coat, undercoat short, soft and close.") Top Cairn competitions and success in group competitions tend to contribute away from the correct natural breed type. Type is sacrificed at the cost of winning.

I would like to wake up both judges and breeders to think seriously about the issue to save our wonderful breed as we have seen it for decades. Mr. Bradshaw, perhaps the alltime most famous Cairn breeder said "a Cairn can be a good terrier but a bad Cairn".

For the love of the Cairn,  
Satu (Sassa) Stenroos, Finland  
Breeder, specialist breed judge

**Permission to publish this article was given by Sassa Stenroos. A Cairn breeder and specialist breed judge from Finland, Sassa has been in the breed for 30 years and has judged Cairns in Finland, Sweden, Denmark, Holland, Germany, Czech Republic, Ireland, Canada and the UK.**

# PRESERVING THE CAIRN TERRIER

*by Kathleen Spelman*

We are all familiar with "THE WIZARD OF OZ" and the adventure Dorothy and "Toto" have there. They meet a Lion who lacks Courage, a Scarecrow in need of a Brain and of course a Tin Man desiring a Heart. As breeders we too need COURAGE to do right by our Cairns by breeding to the standard. We need to be smart with our BRAIN and learn all we can to preserve the Cairn breed, and with all our HEART show the love we have for the breed by preserving the breed, and we do this by improving our own breeding practices.

Every breed club has a Constitution that members agree to follow, as well as the Club's By-Laws and Code of Ethics. The following are taken from a few Club websites:

The CTCA states:

"to urge members and breeders to accept the standard of the breed as defined by the Cairn Terrier Club of America and approved by the American Kennel Club as the only standard of excellence by which Cairn Terriers shall be judged; to do all in its power to protect and advance the interests of the breed and to encourage sportsmanlike competition at dog shows, field trials, and obedience trials; to conduct sanctioned matches and specialty shows, field trials, and obedience trials under the rules of the American Kennel Club."

The CTCNC states:

"To urge club members and breeders to accept the Breed Standard as defined by the Cairn Terrier Club of America and approved by the American Kennel Club as the only standard of excellence by which the Cairn Terrier shall be judged."

The CTCSC states:

"We are Southern California's only AKC-licensed Cairn Terrier club, dedicated to the preservation and improvement of the breed."

The CTCD, CRCTC, states:

"To urge members and breeders to accept the standard of the breed as approved by The American Kennel Club as the only standard of excellence by which the Cairn Terrier shall be judged."

Doctors have the Hippocratic oath which states a doctor "Will Do No Harm", most law enforcement agencies say something like "To Protect and Serve", so as members of a Pure Bred Dog Club we are asked to "Accept the Cairn Terrier Standard as defined by the CTCA and approved by the AKC".

As for changing the Standard, if it would help the breed I'd say yes. However, there is really no reason to do so. The Standard was very carefully written and worded to guide future breeders to keep type and assure that the Cairn will always be able to perform at its best when working, whether around a farm keeping vermin under control, or these days doing earth dog trials and agility.

In the CTCA Spring Newsletter we were notified that Lynne Nabors is Chairperson for updating and revising the CTCA Interpretation, Clarification and Amplification of the Cairn Terrier Standard, in which Lynne asked the membership at large to give the committee input. Therefore, I sent her the following.

"Remember, this booklet does not replace the Standard. Breeders and judges alike should always read the Standard.

1. The Standard states that it is "Ideal" for a Cairn to be 10 inches at the shoulders.

a) Unlike the Norwich Standard that states "A Norwich is NOT TO EXCEED 10 inches. In other words it is not a fault for a Cairn to exceed the 10 inch height so long as the dog is in proportion.

b) When the Cairn Standard was written most Cairns averaged about 10 inches and, since size includes height, weight and length it was necessary to use a measurement as a 'for instance'. So, in other words, if a Cairn is 10 inches at the withers it will be 15 inches from front of chest to back of hindquarters. And, weight (dogs) 14 lb. (slightly in excess for dogs over 2 yr.) Therefore, an 11 in. dog will be 16 1/2 in. long and weigh about 15 lb. To describe all the measurements would be a bit much. However, it would be a good idea to recommend that a maximum of 12 inches be emphasized as larger dogs start losing type.

2. Cairns are to have SMALL, POINTED EARS. The only way I can describe small is that you will know a large ear when you see it
3. "SHORT TAIL in proportion to the head." The current Interpretation has it wrong and is the reason we now see so many long tails in the ring today. And what's worse is, if the tail is to be to the tip of the ears and the ears are large the tail will be longer yet.
4. The Standard also calls for the Cairn to be of balanced proportions, and "appear neither leggy nor too low to ground". This is not mentioned in the Interpretation booklet. I asked Lydia Hutchinson once how she would describe balanced length of leg, she replied, "The distance from the ground to elbow should be equal in length as from elbow to the top of the shoulders". When dogs start getting taller than 12 inches, (which the FCI standard calls for) nature is going to take over and shorten the body length to help balance the dog. (Much like the West Highland White, remember Westies are white Cairns.)
5. Coat
  - a.) The Standard says the Cairn skull is to be "broad in proportion to length and well furnished with hair on the top of the head, which may be softer than the body coat." However, it should be understood that a Cairn with harder head furnishings might look different because the coat will lay flatter and not stand up off the head as a softer coat will. As long as the head is well furnished and has shaggy eyebrows, both furnishings should be judged equal.
  - b.) The Standard states, "Hard and weather resistant. Must be double-coated with profuse harsh outer coat and short, soft, close furry undercoat". There is a tendency these days of a softer coat in general being exhibited. Whether it is due to incorrect grooming or genetically produced, this needs to be corrected for the sake of the breed. The Interpretation booklet (pg. 13) does an excellent job clarifying the Standard on this point.
6. As for the legs, the Standard states legs must be covered with "hard hair". Currently, in the Interpretation there is nothing mentioned about leg furnishings.

So by keeping the Standard in America as it stands, it is hopeful that breeders will adhere more closely to it, thereby doing what is right for the Cairn, and preserving the breed, which is what our Club was established to do. Breeders are supposed to be the guardians of the breed and not swayed by what is winning at the time. The judges can only judge what is presented to them at any given show. So, do we present to them great specimens or what is in style?

Isn't it our job as breeders to educate judges? And isn't it the judge's job to only reward quality animals with points and awards, and withhold ribbons due to "lack of merit"? As breeders we need the courage to challenge ourselves to do what is right in order to preserve the true Cairn breed.

There is a need for education when it comes to proper breeding practice and breeders need to evaluate the bitch and the potential stud. Let's face it, there are many well educated people showing and breeding dogs, but how many of them are good dog breeders who know what they are doing to, and for, the breed? It is imperative that we keep in mind that the purpose of the Club is to "PRESERVE" the Cairn Terrier as a breed, and to promote and improve on breeding better Cairns. That is the reason for having a Standard in the first place.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Kathleen Spelman*  
Ragtime Cairns  
August 1, 2010

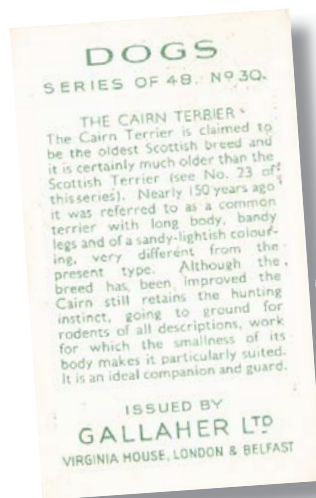
# LOST & FOUND

Over the years, the Cairn Terrier has been described and illustrated in a variety of books, artwork, and paper ephemera such as old advertisements, greeting cards, and trading cards. While the breed standard as approved by AKC is what guides the AKC-affiliated Cairn Terrier clubs, historic references from both the US and abroad can be interesting, even when the descriptions are not necessarily consistent with the AKC standard.

In this issue, two examples of cigarette trade cards are provided. Beginning in the mid-nineteenth century, tobacco manufacturers began including these trade cards in packs of cigarettes, typically producing thematic-based series of cards. The originally Irish-based tobacco company, Gallaher Ltd., produced dog-themed card series, including the two provided. Each card in the series featured an illustration of a different dog breed with a written description on the back. Enjoy!

"The Cairn Terrier is claimed to be the oldest Scottish breed and it is certainly much older than the Scottish Terrier (see No. 23 of this series). Nearly 150 years ago it was referred to as a common terrier with long body, bandy legs and of a sandy-lightish colouring, very different from the present type. Although the breed has been improved this Cairn still retains the hunting instinct, going to ground for rodents of all descriptions, work for which the smallness of its body makes it particularly suited. It is an ideal companion and guard."

Gallaher Ltd. cigarette card, 1936



"A game, active little working terrier, strong, though compactly built, very line in movement. Skull broad in proportion, strong jaw with large teeth, powerful muzzle. Eyes set wide apart, medium size and of dark hazel colour. Small pointed ears earned erect. Tail short, well-furnished with hair, but not feathery, carried gaily, but not over back. Compact body, straight back of medium length and well coupled. Well-sprung deep ribs; strong hindquarters. Shoulders sloping; medium length of leg covered with hard hair. Coat must be double-coated, with profuse, hard outer coat, and undercoat resembling fur. Colour: red, sandy, grey, brindle or nearly black."

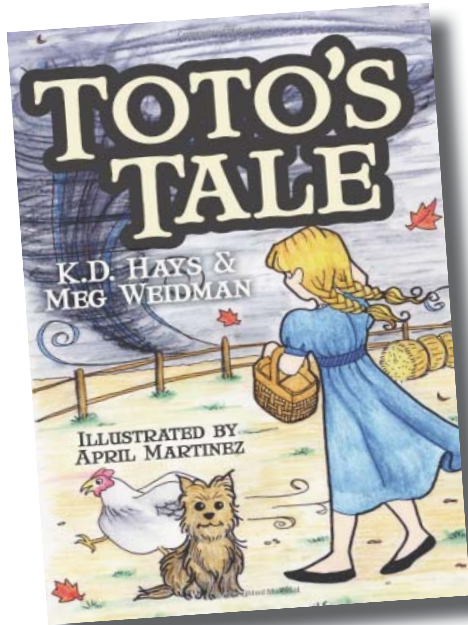
Gallaher Ltd. cigarette card, 1937

Do you have any old books, images, or other printed material describing the Cairn Terrier you'd like to share? If so, please contact newsletter editor, Anne Dove, to have your materials shared in a future newsletter!



# Totally TOTO!

How many times when you have been asked, “so, what kind of dog is that” have you defaulted with “a Cairn Terrier--you know, like ‘Toto’ from the Wizard of Oz.” Whether you’re a fan of the book, the movie (or neither!), there’s no denying the impact this character’s had on the recognition and appreciation of the breed!



## NEW BOOK TELLS TOTO'S TALE

Almost all of us probably know the story of the Wizard of Oz. But do we really? Have you ever wondered what Toto was thinking through his and Dorothy's adventures in Oz? Well mother-daughter writing team K.D. Hays and Meg Weidman explore this classic tale--through the eyes of one of the story's most beloved characters, Toto.

The new book, "Toto's Tale", was released November 20 and takes readers through the classic story originally conceived by L. Frank Baum in 1900 and adapted for the big screen by MGM in 1939.

For more information about "Toto's Tale", visit the author's website: [www.totostale.com/](http://www.totostale.com/)

## A MEMORIAL FOR TERRY (AKA TOTO)

Most people know of the dog actor, "Terry" for her role as Toto in the Wizard of Oz. What many do not know is that this talented Cairn Terrier had more than a dozen film credits to her name, co-starring besides such acting legends as Shirley Temple, Joan Crawford, and Spencer Tracy. Trained and handled by Los Angeles-based Carl Spitz, Terry was buried on the trainer's ranch in Studio City. She is probably one of the most recognizable animal actors in the history of moving pictures.

In early October, 2010, the TV program "California's Gold" with Huell Howser featured the topic of pet cemeteries and some of TV and film's most famous animals' final resting places. During this episode, it was revealed that CalTrans purchased and razed the property that was once Spitz' ranch. With the subsequent freeway expansion project, Terry's grave was lost. A viewer of the show was moved to rectify this by launching a Facebook campaign to create a permanent memorial to Terry. J.P. Meyers, a fan of the Wizard of Oz and Terry, contacted Steve Goldstein, who was featured in that fateful episode of "California's Gold" as author of the book "LA's Graveside Companion: Where the VIPs RIP", to help raise the funds to dedicate a memorial at the LA Pet Memorial Park in Calabasas.



To visit the Facebook page, go to [facebook.com](https://facebook.com) and enter "Toto Canine Movie Star Memorial Marker."

# CORRECTION

The Summer, 2010 edition of "Cairn Tales" reported incorrect results for the June 25, 2010 CTCSC Sweepstakes due to an error on the show superintendent's website. Judge David Tuttle awarded "Best in Sweepstakes" to Terriwood MVP and "Best Opposite in Sweepstakes" to Grey Goose Lilykins. Congratulations to the Godwins, Woodmans and Thomas!



## BEST IN SWEEPSTAKES

### **Terriwood MVP**

Breeders: Tom and Karin Godwin and John and Carol Woodman  
Owners: Tom & Karin Godwin



## BEST OPPOSITE IN SWEEPSTAKES

### **Grey Goose Lilykins**

Breeder: Owners  
Owners: Julia and William Thomas

## MESSAGE FROM THE EDITOR

Thanks to those of you who provided feedback on the Summer newsletter and forwarded articles and other material to include in this issue. Without this assistance, there would be no newsletter, so I encourage folks to send me ideas or to even write an article for inclusion in our next issue.

That being said, I would like to encourage folks to share their announcements, brags, and news. Since the last issue, we have implemented a suggested \$5 donation for each tidbit to help bolster the club's coffers. Given the worthiness of the cause, throw humility out the window, because no bit of news is too small! I will send out reminders as the deadline approaches, but please feel free to send me anything at anytime.

That being said, I continue to welcome any feedback, ideas, and most of all, content for the newsletter. Feel free to contact me anytime...I look forward to hearing from you!

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### **About the Cairn Terrier Club of Southern California**

The CTCSC is dedicated to the preservation and improvement of the Cairn Terrier.

The objectives of the Club are:

- To encourage and promote the breeding of pure-bred Cairn Terriers and to do all possible to bring their natural qualities to perfection;
- To urge the members and breeders to accept the standards of the breed as approved by the American Kennel Club as the only standard of excellence by which Cairn Terriers shall be judged;
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