Presidential Message

Club Prez Lauds Rescue Volunteers and Donors, Reaches Out To Critics

I hope all had a great summer! As it is coming to an end we can now look forward to cooler temps and lots of fun outside with our four legged friends! I have decided that my message to members needs to be more than just a recap of recent events and would now like to note I hope to be providing to our membership what happens in the different components of the TTCA, so hopefully more will get involved in the different committees. I would like to start with Rescue.

As I am assuming most of you know the past few months has had our TTCA Rescue Chairman, Camille Manfredonia, along with a phenomenal team, handling one of the largest single TT rescues I know of! Within a day or so Kate Stauch, Jackie Faust, Stacey LaForge, Anita Lamison, and Valerie Barber had 30 dogs removed from a home and safely placed in shelters. Soon joining them was Flossie Barczewski, Brenda Brown and Rene Stamm, Linda Watson, Pam Derosiers, Jim Lenchner & his son Danny, and Linda Watson and myself (and I am sure I am forgetting others, sorry). The work they did and have continued to do has been amazing and a HUGE THANK YOU goes out to you all. Then after the ball was rolling the TTCA treasurer Amy Soderman and the TTHWF treasurer Kerry Abbott have worked professionally as a team, handling all of the expenses that have been spent.

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incurred! To all, your dedication and work has been truly incredible!

But there is so much involved with this type of a rescue that people are not aware of and I feel it is important for all to realize the complexity of what goes into a rescue like this. To help with this I have included the following which, has been adapted from something Anita Lamison wrote about her experience:

There have been many wonderful placements in the past several weeks for these dogs. We would ask that we acknowledge the endless hours upon hours upon hours volunteers have spent on the various stages of this particular rescue. It started with finding boarding facilities for these dogs and then transporting all of the dogs safely there by multiple volunteers which was truly an enormous undertaking, especially just before the busy July 4th holiday rush. Just coordinating veterinary visits for neutering and spaying and treating of other ailments, has taken days and days. For the past two months, Anita alone spent anywhere from four to twelve (even more) hours each and day on the phone with the vets, the boarding kennels, adopters, potential adopters and screening hundreds of applicants and checking their references. The number of applicants who cannot provide an appropriate home for a Tibetan Terrier is staggering. However, that is not always known until well into a conversation. The average call for a pre-screening can last anywhere from 45 to 90 minutes. It is only after many paths of questioning that a good, caring and loving home can be found. Many times the home is suitable but we don’t have the sex or age of the dogs they individual is willing to adopt. This is a very fluid rescue. We have spent hours interviewing potential adopters, done all of the screening, talked to them many times about the dogs that would be appropriate for their homes to have many of them back out at the last minute. There will be many, many more applicants screened and individuals changing their minds along the way before we get these little souls placed in their forever homes. In addition, we are here for continued support for those people who have adopted and are thrilled with their precious TTs that have been entrusted to their care. We want to make sound placements into homes where the dogs will thrive and the owners will not want to return them. This takes hours and hours of time to be certain the right dog is placed in the right situation. The dog’s personalities and needs are carefully considered and they are matched to the best possible home for them. Once approved, photos are sent to the adopter or visits with their other dog are arranged. Publicity and postings for any of the dogs is done carefully and in an appropriate time frame.

At the same time, there are dogs in other parts of the country that homes have been screened and many hours finding homes and finalizing these adoptions has been ongoing at the same time.

This is only my small part of the rescue. It took many people weeks to even identify the dogs and match their records. There are mounds and mounds of papers on the dogs that had to be sorted and filed properly. Multiply my hours and time by the many people who are working endlessly for these dogs to make sure they are properly cared for prior to adoption and supported after adoption. My wish is that we all can strive for the best placements possible for these dogs as the previous owner would have wanted loving and caring homes for each and every one of them.

If you think you could help in some aspect of this part of the TTCA please contact me and I will try to refer you to the appropriate channels.

I also need to acknowledge at this time all who have donated to the TTHWF, it is your help that provides us with the ability to care for these rescues and find them a forever home, both in this recent large-scale Rescue and for all who came before and will be there in the future.

I now need to note that unfortunately there have been those critical of how some of the aspects of this Rescue has gone and have done so publically. This is very disheartening considering all that has gone into it, by VOLUNTEERS!

I would ask that those who have concerns on how things are done in the TTCA, not just in Rescue, to contact me directly and stop the public comments on Facebook. Good ideas have been brought up but how they were brought up offended many. I will be happy to discuss things privately and work with the Board where changes and or growth is indicated. None of us is perfect and we are not afraid of change, we just want it to be respectful of all as we move forward.

Betsy Richards, TTCA President
Winner’s Circle: 2017 TTCA National Specialty, Clymer NY

4 to 6 Months Beginner Puppy Winners

Rinchen’s Magical Illusion (“Alakazam”) won Best of Breed in the 4 to 6 Months Beginner Puppy class at the 2017 Tibetan Terrier Club of America National Specialty. Shown here with Claire Coppola and Judge Krista Hansen. Photo by Kurtis Photography.


Judge Hansen selected AhKama Wangmo Acha as the Best of Opposite Sex in the same class. Acha is owned by Daniele Richer Greenwood and bred by Daniele and her husband Jim Greenwood.

AhKama Wangmo Acha won Best of Opposite Sex in the 4 to 6 Months Beginner Puppy class at the 2017 Tibetan Terrier Club of America National Specialty. Photo courtesy of Daniele Richer Greenwood.

The TT Times July-August issue inadvertently omitted the 4-6 Month Beginner Puppy class from the 2017 TTCA National Specialty results. The Editor regrets the oversight.

— Pat Carroll


The clerk looks over the paper for a minute then says, “You know, there are only nine words here. You could add another ‘Woof’ for the same price.”

The TT shakes his head in disbelief. “But that would make no sense at all!”
Happiness is being able to judge our wonderful breed at the 2017 TTCA National Specialty for a second time.

As a past president of the TTCA and a past chair of the TTCA National Specialty show, I am very aware of the work and planning that go into a successful show and venue. This year Betsy Richards had both jobs and was fantastic at doing them. She selected a wonderful show site with first class accommodations. It was beautiful and reasonable. Her committees did their jobs and all went extremely well. The weather even cooperated.

Gale Mattison was the steward personified. The ring ran smoothly all day. I took time the day before to visit the Lucille Ball Desi Arnaz Museum. What fun!! A big THANK YOU to Gale for driving and taking me. I loved the museum. I grew up with I Love Lucy.

On to the show and thoughts about the entry. There was a quality entry of 95 total dogs in this show with a total of 155 entries, 11 entries in Rally and 5 entries in the 4-6 months Beginner Puppy attraction.

Temperaments were outstanding. Most were very well trained and very happy to be in the ring participating with their owners or friends.

Balance and proportions were correct to the standard. Length of leg was excellent in proportion to length of back making for the square appearance in most cases. Tail sets and top lines were excellent.

Chests were deep. Loins were of a correct length. Appearances were of compact and powerful dogs, not over done or extreme in any way. Over angulation in the rear has been corrected by most of the breeders.

Double coats were prevalent. Feet—a hallmark of the breed—were large, round and flat in most cases.

Movement could be slowed down, but when moved correctly, the easy ground-covering gait was evident.

Color was mostly black and white. Please remember all combinations and markings are what keep our breed so beautiful and interesting. And over grooming is not necessary. Conditioning is.

I have had the opportunity to judge Tibetan Terriers in other countries. I feel our quality is excellent. Worldwide our breed is in good hands and in great shape. Thank you all for your participation. – Susan Carr

* The 2017 TTCA National Specialty also featured 8 entries in Obedience and 26 entries in Agility. – The Editor
REFLECTIONS

The First Time I Saw Your Face

Tales of ‘true love’ and ‘happily ever after’ by lucky people found by Tibetans

The TT Times created a video to solicit stories from folks with the good fortune to share their lives with a Tibetan “luck bringer.” The whimsical short asks, “When was the first time you ever saw a Tibetan Terrier?” We knew the memories would be as vivid as a first kiss because of the profoundly moving impact this breed has on those of us lucky enough to fall under its spell. We were not disappointed. Here—in your own words—are your stories.

Carol Adams

The first time I saw a Tibetan Terrier a local breeder’s wife had brought Machine Gun Maggie into my vet’s office while I was sitting there with my cat. It was instant! I said to myself, “That is my very next dog . . . perhaps when I retire.” Didn’t wait though. About 6 months later, one of my cats died on a Sunday from congestive heart failure and I was totally bereft. On Tuesday, I went into work and asked a co-worker to look up Tibetan Terriers on the Internet (it was still relatively new) with three specific questions: Were they intelligent? Were they active? And did they get along with cats? On Wednesday, the answers were “Yes,” “Yes” and “Sometimes.” I called the vet to get the name of the breeder and on Friday (which just happened to be my birthday) I went to see him and came home with my Hello Dalai who turned out to be the daughter I deserved, the best birthday present ever, as well as my very best friend. Loved that dog to pieces, as well as all of the ones that followed. Aren’t we all so very lucky.

Barbara Kushnir

When was the first time I saw a TT? Easy to remember . . . it was on my 50th birthday inside a restaurant in Provence, France. The Tibetan was being served dinner while his parents dined as well. My husband told me to turn around and look at the cutest dog he had ever seen. And yes, we were sold. Upon returning to the states, we went online and through the Tibetan Terrier Association found a breeder in our area who had a pregnant dog. In January we picked up our little girl, and seven years later, she had pups of her own—six born in our home! Today 15 ½ years later we still have our boy, although “our boy” is really a very senior citizen who we still adore—even with infirmities.

Rosalind Wald

Pat! I cannot stop crying! There are no words to express how this feels to me as I watch. Tibetan Terriers changed my life forever in June 1996, as I’ve told you! This is a wellspring of 21 years with these amazing dogs. Had to tell you through my tears. Thank you for doing this.

Nancy DeLong

Usually, I don’t do things like this, but being deeply touched by the enchanting video When Was the First Time You Ever Saw a Tibetan Terrier? I was compelled to share my feelings. My first time was seeing the book, Rosie, the Therapy Dog. I had been assigned a particularly difficult language arts class (and that is being very

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polite!). Hoping to spark interest in reading, I would go to the library and pull numerous books from the shelves. The moment I pulled Rosie from the shelf over twenty years ago, my life changed forever. Our TT’s have brought us such joy and helped us through difficult times and deep sorrows. Thank you for the lovely video and the opportunity to express my feelings. I like myself best when I am with my TTs! These words are written in loving memory of GeeVee and McGee and in the present joy of living with our rescue, Ragged Reggie, and our puppy, Maggie Rose. Thank you.

Jane Graham

My first sight of a Tibetan Terrier was from the AKC listing of all dog breeds. My husband and I were looking to get a puppy. We had a very specific criteria for a dog. We were looking for a dog that was hypoallergenic because our son is extremely allergic, we did not want a large dog, we wanted a dog that was very smart and last but not least, beautiful. I searched all the medium sized dogs and read up on all their characteristics and health issues for each prospective breed. After viewing all the breeds, it was the happy face of the Tibetan Terrier that won us over. How could anyone NOT love that face!

We searched the internet for breeders in a 300 mile radius and found a breeder north of Minneapolis, Minnesota. We brought our Sera home in September 2003. We had 12 glorious years with her. She was a beauty, of course. She became a celebrity in our community. We discovered many adorable “quirks” in her personality and she gleaned $200 worth of bets that she could not count! After we lost our wonderful Sera, I again searched AKC breed listings, read the characteristics of the different breeds; again, the Tibetan Terrier won out hands down! We now have our 2nd TT—Tara from Ri Lee Kennels, Wisconsin. Tara was sired by the 2013 Westminster Best of Breed Champion for Tibetan Terriers, Reese. Serendipitously, our wonderful Sera’s sire came from Ri Lee Kennels!

Tara exhibits a great deal of athleticism which we want to capitalize on by training her for agility. As with Sera, Tara was so very easy to potty train and she began communicating with us very early on. She even watches TV! She is captivated with any dog she sees on the screen as though the dog is really there. Oh, the quirks of a TT :-) The history of the Tibetan Terriers being given as gifts by the Tibetan Monks and being symbols of good luck holds true. We consider ourselves so very fortunate to have had Sera and now our wonderful Tara. She is such a joy and we look forward to many years with her.

Pamela Stones

The first time I saw a Tibetan Terrier was in the AKC The Complete Dog Book by the American Kennel Club, Golden Anniversary Edition the photo of a Tibetan Terrier with that entry, in 1984. But the story started before that and has continued long after.

I had wanted to get a dog, my first as an adult. Our family had had a dog or two but they are vague memories and I have no recollection of having any relationship with them. So I got the AKC book and read about various breeds. I went to a local pet store in Burbank, California, to see what dogs they had. Puppies called Lhasa Apso were among those for sale. Such cute little puppies so I went home to read about that breed. In the second paragraph it said they were one of four breeds native to Tibet. Since I had a fascination with Tibet, I read about each of the Tibetan breeds. Hands down, it was the Tibetan Terrier breed that I wanted.

Wherever I would find a Tibetan Terrier? Lo and behold, in the next Sunday’s Los Angeles Times I saw an ad for Tibetan

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Terriers for sale (week before I had never heard of such a breed). The breeder was in a nearby Los Angeles area. That afternoon I was surrounded by TTs of various ages. There were two puppies of the most recent litter. I went home with the golden brindle male, soon to be called Pebbles. My first photo of him was one taken of us as we arrived home. I was sitting in the car’s passenger seat, holding him as he was resting his head on my shoulder. That was 33 years ago. Since then there have been other Tibetans: from breeders, a shelter rescue, and a short term foster. Now, with delight, I see Tibetan Terriers everywhere.

Elaine Lilak

The first time I saw a Tibetan Terrier I was walking down a horse trail in Woodside, California. I had no idea what kind of dog this was until I went back home to Ohio and looked it up. The breeds were listed in alphabetical order so I had to go through most of the alphabet before I found the Tibetan Terrier. The one I first saw was a Red sable. I fell in love at first sight and just had to have one! But I ended up with three!!!😊👍 Triple the pleasure!

Gale and Donna Mattison

The first time we saw a Tibetan Terrier was in February 1982 on a table in a back corner grooming space at the dog show in Hartford, Connecticut. Our then-5-year-old son had asked for a brother or a dog, so we were in the market for a dog. Thinking we wanted a spaniel or something of that type we went off to the show. We just loved the Tibetan Terriers when we first saw them, and 35 years later, to say the least, we still enjoy the breed.

Nataša Čok

Thank you! Lovely video! I saw a TT for the first time on a drawing in an old dog encyclopedia. Hugs from Slovenia.

Vicki Hawkins

I loved your video with all of the great TT photos. I very clearly remember the first time I saw a Tibetan Terrier, so here’s my story: I had always loved animals, especially dogs, but it wasn’t until 1987, when my youngest son started college, that I decided the time was right to acquire a dog. It was definitely an “empty nest” decision, based on emotion not logic. Never having owned a dog before, I had no idea what I was looking for, but fortunately for me, fate stepped in, and led me to a Tibetan Terrier. Here’s how it all started. My husband and I were on a friend’s boat, sailing in San Francisco Bay, and the friend introduced us to Pam, a woman he was dating at the time. Somehow the conversation turned to dogs and I mentioned to Pam that I was considering getting a dog. She shared that she had a wonderful dog named Wookie, and when I inquired as to the breed, she responded, “a Tibetan Terrier,” which was a breed I’d never heard of. She just happened to have a couple of photos with her and the moment I saw them, I was smitten. A week later, I met Wookie and was even more convinced that a Tibetan Terrier was the dog for me. I must admit that I probably didn’t thoroughly research the breed or know what I was getting into before purchasing my first Tibetan (CH Atisha’s Meesha Remy UDX), but it was that one time chance meeting that introduced me to the breed and that has brought so much happiness into my life for these past 30 years!

Joe and Holly Amodio

Thanks for a precious video. Both my wife and I cried our eyes out.

My wife and I have had Sherlock (a female) for 14 years via Sue Carr. I never knew I could love anyone, anything like that Tibetan. Sherlock has Cushing’s disease and it appears she is on a downward descent. I do not know how I will be able to endure the grief when she is gone. Not sure if I will ever get another one as the anticipated hurt is overwhelming.

Jane Goodell

Marvelous video. I wanted to get a dog once I retired. Travis (Continued on next page)
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**Brock** and I had a “share dog”—a wonderful Labrador. I wanted a smaller dog. My husband and I looked at dog books. We thought perhaps a Tibetan Spaniel. We went to a dog show to look around. I saw a woman sitting on a bench with this adorable puppy. It was a Tibetan Terrier. I talked with her at length about the breed. Then our Labrador died. *Travis* went a few months without a dog. He called and asked me what I was thinking about for a dog. I told him I was intrigued by the Tibetan Terrier breed. He talked with lots of people about TTs. He found a breeder. *Cooper* came into our lives and changed us forever.

**Vanessa Majkut**

In a calendar that a friend produced. I called her right up and asked what is it! I was hooked!

**Lynne Fardell**

First of all, nice job, *Pat!* Beautiful images of beautiful dogs. The first time I saw, and met, a Tibetan Terrier was when I was walking my two Golden Retrievers along the River Isis in Oxford. Along came this vivacious ball of fur and fun and he promptly began flirting with my Goldens. I'm not sure who fell in love first—me or my dogs. Years passed and so did my beloved dogs and eventually a very special girl called *Dahlia* came into my life and the love affair continues. Best wishes for this fun project.

**Mary Frances Martin**

I saw at a fun match for obedience.

**Linda Hufnagel**

Back in 1979, my friends had just had a litter of Tibetan Terriers and asked us to come to see them. It was love at first sight and we picked our first TT two months later. And so goes my life with TTs, having a total of three wonderful guys—at least so far it is three!

**Charlene Crouch**

In *Alice Murphy’s* book—love at first sight!

**Ray Schuck**

I first saw a TT on a film of Crufts judging around 1974. We were forming a new Dog Club: the *Old English Sheepdog Club of the A.C.T.* (Australian Capital Territory) in Canberra, Australia. The dog food representative brought the film. At the same time, we had subscribed to a magazine from the UK called *Dogs Monthly*, which featured Tibetan Terriers. I wrote to the contact in the U.K. but had no reply. I later found out that the TTs in the magazine were from *Anne Matthews’ Hardacre Kennels*. We researched the TT and found that it was already included in the Breed Standards in Australia. The words “like an Old English Sheepdog in miniature’ had us very interested. Apparently, some TTs had been in Australia previously but seemed to have disappeared.

In 1975 I read in our local *National Dog Newspaper* that Sue Wilson in Sydney, Australia had imported two TTs from *Hardacre Kennels* in the U.K. The dogs were *Hardacre Good Wish* (Imp. UK) and *Hardacre Evil Weevil* (Imp. UK). Both dogs attained their Australian championships.

In 1976, Sue had a litter of one dog and two bitches from these dogs and I contacted her but none were available at the time.

We were involved in dog obedience with our OES *Georgie* who had attained her *Companion Dog* title, and my husband was an obedience instructor. I completed the instructor course, too, but we only had one dog at the time, so I was more involved in showing. Sue was quite impressed with the obedience connection as she felt the TTs needed some training.

In August, 1976 Sue contacted me to see if I wanted a bitch puppy from her litter and *Granton Lady Samantha* (aged 5 months) came to live with us. That was 41 years ago!

A few years later, Sue offered me another TT bitch *Granton Wicked Abigail* sired by

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Australian Ch. Granton Good Wish and English and Australian Ch Hardacre Aurora as dam. It was Abby who produced our first TT litter in 1981.

Kate Kluetmeier

While in a charming boutique in wine country—St. Helena, California—I saw a very stylish woman with two Tibetan Terriers. I loved their looks and all that hair and researched the breed. The description of their personalities sounded perfect for us and when I read the history of this breed, I was enchanted. Thank you for this project, it will be such fun to read everyone’s responses.

Marian Murphy

Enjoyed your video! The first time I saw a TT was in 1974. My husband had gone to the Golden Gate Kennel Club and came home raving about this dog he saw. At the time we had pet Lhasas and he was looking for something a little larger. Well the next thing you know we are at Anne Keleman’s home looking at puppies. All the puppies were happy and friendly. The next thing you know we are taking home an older bitch with a promise to show. Tasha Ti Songs Merry Merry came home with us that day in 1974 and I have not been without a TT since. There is nothing like living with these little clowns. Love them to death.

Cindy Douglass

Great idea Pat! Our first exposure to a TT was on a vacation in 1983. We saw this lovely black and white furry dog on the beach. The kids went crazy. They had been bugging us for a dog for a very long time. Every penny in a wishing well was for a dog! It didn’t help that our mall had such a fountain and every trip required a detour to said fountain! Every Christmas and birthday was a wish for a dog! The kids were as relentless as only kids can be.

Back to the dog—we encountered the dog again outside the General Store and hung around for the owner. He patiently answered all of our questions about TTs and introduced us to his Rags. After returning home, Paul and I discussed this DOG subject and decided that I would do research and see about this TT breed. Our kids were 8 and 5 and pretty responsible. I went to the library to begin to research this breed! I wanted a medium sized dog (check). I wanted a sturdy dog (check). I wanted a dog that didn’t shed (check). I wanted a dog that was great with kids (check). I wanted a friendly dog (check). I wanted a dog that was easily trained (???). You can’t have it all!! It sounded too good to be true. My next step was trying to discover more first-hand information about this miracle breed. The family went to a local dog show and discovered several of these sweet furry moppets! We talked and talked with lovely TT owners. Some who I still call friends today and many who have gone to the Bridge with their TTs. I was given many names of breeders on the east coast and after much searching (no computers, Facebook or Google) we finally found a breeder in Massachusetts who was to have a litter in July 1984. I called Gayle Nittler and asked if I could buy a puppy. The Greenhorn that I was, I thought it would be an easy transaction! She grilled me and grilled me and finally gave us her seal of approval. (I almost had to put my kids up for adoption! LOL). Then came the logistics of getting the puppy. Gayle wouldn’t ship a puppy. Fortunately my husband had his pilot’s license. As we flew to Massachusetts, we got misplaced and ended up landing in Rhode Island to ask directions to the small little local airstrip in Massachusetts. Second time was the charm and we met Gayle, Bert and the Kam-Bu Kennel. Meeting “our” puppy was odd, as we had no idea what to expect. Our boy was not black and white but dark sable! What a shock! We were smitten and named him Raggs after the first TT we had met. Our love affair with TTs was cemented with this awesome boy. Our kids had their dog and even took care of him—for the first 2 weeks. LOL!! We had him for 15 years and we still miss our golden boy! We have had TTs ever since.

Gudrun Menges-Mohr

The first time I saw a Tibi was in 1980 in England. Our English friends who live in the Cotswolds

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had two of them. And we were so surprised to watch the behavior of this breed. So we got our first Tibetan Terrier in 1989 from kennel Tsangpo in England. Since the year 2000 we are breeders under the kennel name Rangshi.

Peggy Kemp

Several years ago I had a Lhasa Apso and loved her to the moon and back. I was researching OESs so I went to a dog show. While there I saw what I thought was a tall Lhasa. When the owner told me she was a TT I knew right then and there that would be my next dog. So now we have Mamie.

Cherry McCormack Petersen

At my friend’s house who had a rescue looking for a home. Fell in love and took him home with me. Best. Dog. Ever.

Pat Meelich

The first TT I ever saw was Arakis Fabulous Willie on TV at Crufts. Shortly thereafter, I met Betsy Richards at the Madison Ohio Grandeur River dog show, and was introduced to GCH Bluvali Brouhaha, Sweet Emmy and Darling Macy. I left that day with a deposit placed on a puppy due in 2 weeks from Zach. I now have four TTS including a Macy puppy.

Carole van Bokhoven

18 years ago in a shop where we bought plants. I told my husband then that’s the dog I want. Two years after that I was owned by my first TT.

Artie Ortega

Hi Pat. Nice video. First time we met a TT was at the annual SF dog show at the Cow Palace (23 years ago) where the different breeds are benched. Fell in love after that.

Mandy Wilson

The first Tibetan Terrier I saw in the furry flesh was this guy. .

Mandy Wilson’s first TT

Terry Fitzwilliam-Rogers

My first Tibetan encounter was in Boston, right in front of the New England Aquarium. I was working in Rescue Rehab with the Harbor Seal Rescue Program. We were working on a seal that seemed to be having neurological issues, so were very reluctant to leave when someone pulled a false alarm and the whole aquarium had to evacuate thousands of people out on the front plaza. Melissa and I went just to the side of the entrance, in front of the outdoor seal exhibit, and there was a guy with a cute little black dog with the sweetest face, not bothered at all by the sudden crowd, so we chatted for a bit. He apologized for her “weekend look” – apparently she was groomed more at other times? I thought she was adorable, I fell into her eyes and kept her in mind when our last two Goldens had passed on.

Glenn Connell

On line searching out the breed. Nice job, Pat.

Ellie Selby

The first time I saw a Tibetan Terrier was sitting in a coffee shop with my mum. It was three months after my Dad had passed away. I used to take her to meet some friends to get her out of the house. (She could drive and was very capable but she sometimes needed that push to leave the house). This lovely lady walked past the coffee shop with two TTs. Mum said, “What beautiful dogs!” She jumped up ran outside and asked all about them. I knew then we would have one very soon. After that a few weeks later a little bundle of joy joined our family. The first time I saw Charlie I was in love. My mum sadly got diagnosed with breast cancer a short while after and passed away 18 months later. I inherited Charlie and he’s the best inheritance ever. So thanks to Amanda for walking past the coffee shop and letting my mum

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THE FIRST TIME

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meet your two lovely TTs. It was instant love.

Lisbeth Solvang
It was back in 1984 and we had been thinking to get a dog but we had no idea what breed. I was working at a school and one day I saw a man with a dog outside. It was the loveliest dog I had ever seen, so I ran out to ask him what it was. He said Tibetan Terrier and I told him, “That is the one I want.” There were not many TTs here at the time, so we had to wait a year to get a puppy. Now I have my third. Cannot be without.

Eleanor Moland
I was watching Westminster Kennel Club Show looking for my next fur baby. Both my husband and I loved the TT. The rest is history.

Tracey Jane
“In a pumpkin patch” – That made me laugh!

Sally-Anne Jones
The first TT I saw in the fur was the day after Fabulous Willy won Crufts. My disabled son had come home from day care and as it was such a nice day we went for a quick walk along the Marina opposite our house. On the way back we met a gentleman in a wheelchair and his wife with a lovely dog. I had to ask what breed it was and was told Tibetan Terrier. He was from the Boshanti kennel. I went straight onto the KC website and found a breeder in Snowdon who had a litter ready for viewing. I rang my mum to see if she wanted to come for a drive and we drove 4 hours to choose Charlie! My Dad was cross though as he thought my 14 year old Westie Ernie wouldn’t cope with a pup, but it actually gave him a new lease on life. Sadly Ernie died when Charlie was only 18 months old and he was as broken hearted as me so along came George, my Boshanti boy. Sadly we lost Charlie last September aged 9 so number 2 Boshanti’s Harry arrived home in November!

R Ira Budow
Pat, the first time I saw a Tibetan was on the Internet when I was researching the breed. I saw my first Tibetan in the flesh when I picked my puppy up at the airport. To say I was stunned by how adorable he was would be a colossal understatement!

Karen Lambert
I was blindfolded and told to hold my hands out. Something warm was placed in them and I opened my eyes and there was Tetley. 😍 my best present ever for my 40th birthday. He’s nearly 12 now.

Kris Lowe
When I was 9 years, old my parents bought me the big AKC book. I read the entire thing trying to figure out what our childhood dog was, because she was a stray. I decided her looks and temperament was most like a TT. A few years later Mom took me to the dog show in Gray, Tennessee and the first thing I had to do was find the TTs. There was only one there—blonde and white. I fell in love and just knew that one day I would have one. Little did I know that I would fall completely head over heels with my first TT so much that I will always have a TT by my side. I love our breed❤️.

Cindy Douglas
Pat, I love these stories!

Jan Gohn
In the days before the Internet, I researched by books. The TTs I met in person sealed the deal. I believe Ch Lhari’s Nora, ROM; Ch Maclain’s Kiss Me Kate ROM; and puppies Phillip and Thomasina were home at the time. They became my TTs’ ancestors. The rest is history!

Rosemary Finch
We were in a country park not long after losing our well-loved Rottweiler/Collie cross. We had vowed never to have another dog after the heartbreak of losing her. Then we saw this lady with a lovely black and white dog walking through the park with her family.

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Both my husband and I said if we had another dog, we would love one of those, but we had never seen one before, so didn’t know what breed it was. The family disappeared, so we scoured the park looking for them to ask the breed of the dog. We eventually found them again, and of course she told us it was a Tibetan Terrier. It was love at first sight for us. So we came home and did lots of research, and finally decided it was the dog for us. We approached lots of breeders via the Kennel Club, and finally found a breeder in Ely whose bitch had recently had puppies and they hadn’t all found homes. We live near Wolverhampton, but distance was no object, so we set off to Ely to see the pups and their parents. The pups were then 4 weeks old. We chose our gorgeous Barney and went back to collect him at 9 weeks old. He is now five and a half and is a dream to live with. He is such a good boy and we absolutely adore him. It hasn’t all been plain sailing, weeks and weeks of sleepless nights because he was crying. Lots of play biting, terrible recall, but now he is just adorable.

Chris Mattern Ginkens

About 1969 when my mom brought one home from Alice Murphy. Our first of many.

Ann Frank Goldstein

The first time I saw a TT was on our honeymoon in Watertown, New York. We didn’t know that the abandoned 5-month-old waif we rescued was a purebred tri-color TT. We knew she was special from the start, and didn’t find out until years later what breed she was. We told everyone she was a “Honeymoon Terrier.” Love at first sight; and nearly 16 years later, still love as we watched our Westy close her eyes for the last time. Couldn’t bear life without a TT, so now we have two more: a boy who is four and a girl who is just one.

Thank you all who submitted your stories!

TT Times Editor Relinquishes Post

Dear Readers,

I am resigning from my post as editor of the TT Times. This is my last issue.

I have enjoyed the many creative and educational aspects of producing the newsletter, and I wish my successor and the Tibetan Terrier Club of America all good things as befits any and all who devote themselves to protecting the health and well-being of our glorious “luck bringers.”

For now, Happy Trails to You (Until We Meet Again).

– Pat Carroll

Pat Carroll at the 2017 TTCA National Specialty. Photo by Andrea Campbell
AKC News
Pilot Program for Puppy Conformation

The American Kennel Club (AKC) in July announced it will launch a pilot program to grow the number of new exhibitors in conformation by awarding certificates of achievement for puppy owners who achieve “incremental steps of success” in conformation.

Slated to begin September 1, participants in the new “Puppy of Achievement” (POA) certificate program will earn points by winning regular puppy classes or going Best of Breed or Best of Opposite Sex in the 4-6 Month Beginner Puppy (BPUP) competition. Puppies earn POA points at 4-6 Month BPUP, Group 1 and Best in Show awards.

“We’re excited to launch this program as a way to encourage new puppy owners to continue participating in the sport,” said Doug Ljungren, AKC Vice President of Sports and Events.

“Our surveys have shown that new exhibitors are encouraged and likely to continue beyond five shows when they achieve some success.”

AKC will award points based on the number of puppies competing in a particular class grouped by gender.

The POA program will impose no special entry requirements and no (additional) fees to participate.

“The POA program is seamless for clubs, superintendents, and judges, as points are earned in existing classes,” said Bri Tesarz, AKC Manager of Dog Show Rules and Programs.

At the end of the first year of the pilot program, AKC will survey recipients of POA certificates about their experiences and determine next steps.

For more information, see “Puppy of Achievement” on the AKC web site. Direct inquiries to eventnews@akc.org, to Doug Ljungren at dvl@akc.org or see the AKC Directory for a list of contacts.

– Pat Carroll

AKC Canine Health Foundation Funds Research to Fight Reproductive Disease

The AKC Canine Health Foundation is currently funding research focused on fighting canine brucellosis, a reproductive disease that can cause infertility, abortion and severe spinal infections in dogs. Research will focus on three areas: 1) improving canine brucellosis diagnostics, 2) developing a vaccine to prevent Brucella canis (B. canis) infection and 3) studying the epidemiology of the organism.

The B. canis bacteria can be transmitted during a heat cycle, at breeding, through contaminated hands or clothing, and from the bitch to the puppies during whelping and nursing. There are often no clinical signs following infection, and there are currently no cures or effective treatments. Brucella infections constitute a serious problem for dog breeders, pet owners, and kennels. Though well understood in the context of canine breeding operations, this disease is an under-recognized health issue in the canine rescue and shelter populations and may be a source of infection to these dog populations. The research programs are: 1) Preventing Inaccurate Diagnosis of Brucellosis. Principal Investigator: Christina Larson DVM; University of Minnesota. 2) Development of a Brucellosis Vaccine for Dogs. Principal Investigator: Angela Arenas DVM PhD; Texas A&M AgriLife Research. 3) An Epidemiological Study of Brucella canis. Principal Investigators: Tory Whitten, MPH and Joni Scheftel DVM, MPH; Minnesota Department of Health. To learn more about canine brucellosis, see Best Practice for Brucella canis Prevention and Control in Dog Breeding Facilities.

– Pat Carroll from AKC Canine Health Foundation web site

Confirmation is a sacrament in the Catholic Church. Conformation is a sacrament in the AKC. – Pat Carroll
SHOW AND TELL

“I don’t mind dogs at the table as long as they keep up their end of the conversation.” — **Fran Lebowitz**  Tibetan Terrier is Rinchen’s All Eyez On My Brother Esau ("Brody"). Photo by Michael Eisenpress.

“Inseparable.” **Ch Callisto Domani Freedom Rings ("Zolie")** and Atisha’s My Beloved Is Mine ("Delilah"). Photo courtesy of Jac and Deborah Herschler.

ABOVE: **Ch Kiara’s Ewok Among Us CGC, RAE, THDA, BN ("Cooper").** Photo courtesy of Jane Goodell.

Catalina Fox and Rama Kha Tell Me I’m the Only One ("Sawyer") at the 2017 TTCA National Specialty in Clymer, New York where the 16-year-old won Best Junior Handler. Shown with Judge Susan Carr (left) and TTCA President and 2017 TTCA National Specialty Show Chair Betsy Richards. Photo by Kurtis Photography courtesy of Dee Travella.

Catalina Fox—who goes by Cat on her Facebook page—is passionate about Tibetan Terriers and dog sports. She comes by it naturally. Her grandparents Dee and Charles Travella breed and raise Tibetan Terriers and Havanese under their kennel name, Moonrise Havanese and Tibetan Terriers.

Cat cites her mother, TTCA member Lauren Fox, as an inspiration; the mother-daughter co-own two of the Tibetans with which Cat trains and competes: 7-year-old Ch Moonrise Zydeco Rockin The Desert Breeze ("Z") and 9-year-old Moonrise Diamond Is A Girl’s Best Friend RN CGC ("Diamond").

With seven years as an American Kennel Club (AKC) Junior Handler under her belt—having engaged in the sport since she was 9 years old when she got her first Tibetan Terrier—the 16-year-old from Cañon City, Colorado is already practically a pro.

“Diamond was my first TT,” says Cat. “I got him from my grandparents. I knew he was my dog. He is a great dog.”

Two years into the Junior Handler program, Diamond moved over in the rotation to make room for Z, who then became her “main Juniors dog.” “But most importantly, he became my best friend,” Cat says. “He knows when I’m sad or when I don’t feel ok. He always protects me from field mice even when I am in the house. But the greatest part about Z is his yodel. When I walk into my house he yodels at me and when I leave he yodels. It’s the greatest.”

Their bond is particularly close; in addition to conformation, Cat plans to train with Z in AKC Agility and Barn Hunt of America (BHA) Barn Hunt, a new dog sport recognized by the AKC in 2013.

This past May, Cat worked the Junior Handler program at the 2017 Tibetan Terrier Club of America (TTCA) National Specialty in New York with 7-year-old GCh Moonrise California Valley Girl ("Cali"), where she won the Best Junior Handler award.

A litter mate to Z, Cali belongs to Cat’s grandparents the Travellas. “I do not live with her (Continued on back page)
AKC Junior Handler
Newcomer makes up for lost time with 20 shows in her first year

Thirteen year-old Madison Smith entered the American Kennel Club (AKC) Junior Handler Program less than one year ago. But with some 20 shows already under her belt, no one can call the San Jacinto, California teen inexperienced.

Inspired by her father, Tibetan Terrier Club of America (TTCA) 1st Vice President Rob Smith, Madison entered the program because she wanted a sport that would allow her to work with her Tibetan Terrier, two-year-old Metshag Qassiq (“Cassie”).

“I love my dog and enjoy working with her!” Madison says.

Madison also competes as a Junior Handler with 10-year-old Ch Malishar’s Na’Chung Kumuda (“Lily”), owned by her father Rob with past TTCA President Ron Pankiewicz and his wife Margy Pankiewicz.

Madison particularly enjoys the opportunity to travel and to see different dogs, which the AKC Junior Handler Program affords. Most shows are 1-3 hours away, which this teen (who is not yet old enough to drive) characterizes as “not far.”

“Usually, it is fun to travel to new places,” Madison says.

But not always. “Sometimes Lily will get really wound up, and that’s not so fun!”

Madison says her friends think her work in conformation is “neat” and “a different hobby from most.”

Her major challenge at the moment, she says, is the large number of juniors in her class (Intermediate). “Most of them have been in juniors for a lot longer than I have and have more time to focus just on junior showmanship.”

We hear you Madison. It sounds like the AKC Junior Handler Program is also teaching that life is a balancing act.

– Pat Carroll
FUTURITY
DreamMaker Tibetan Terriers

2017 Grand Futurity winner “Evie” is out of first home bred litter

We are Janet and Jay Slothower and we have DreamMaker Tibetan Terriers. We live in Aiken, South Carolina. We have been breeding Tibetan Terriers for 10 years. It was a thrill to win the Tibetan Terrier Club of America (TTCA) Best Futurity Adult and Grand Futurity award with our GCH DreamMaker Salishan Starry Starry Night (Evie) at the 2017 TTCA National Specialty.

We are very new with our breeding program. Evie is out of our first home bred litter. I chose CH Salishan Sir Barkley of Hightower to breed our BISS GCH Salishan Princess of The Wind CGCA AOM. We were lucky to get our first Tibetan Terrier from Susan and Gary Carr. When we got BISS Silver GCH Salishan Princess of The Wind CGCA (“Abbi-Gale”) at 9 weeks old, we said we would only show her as long as she loved it. She still loves it. Abbi-Gale was our first Tibetan Terrier and our first show dog ever.

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Abbi-Gale has done it all. She won Best Opposite Sex at the Westminster Kennel Club show in 2015, Top Twenty Winner in 2015, Best in Specialty Show, Best Veteran and Best Veteran in Sweepstakes at multiple national specialties, Best Brace at a national specialty, an Award of Merit (AOM) at two national specialties, multiple Top 20 Invitational placements over the years, Best Brood Bitch at national specialties, Best Puppy at five specialties around the country, Breeders Showcase winner in multiple years, multiple years in the Top 10 Tibetan Terriers and Top 10 in All Breed Points.

We chose DreamMaker as our kennel name because at the time I was battling cancer and heart disease. The dogs gave me something to look forward to, making my dreams for the future.

We test for everything we can and try to produce the healthiest and happiest puppies we can with great sweet temperament. I look at the size of the male Tibetan and his structure. I look at what I would like to improve on from my girl. I like line breeding but not too close. We had a litter of five girls; all were show quality. We kept three and finished all. We presently have a litter of three boys from Evie’s sister CH Dreammaker Salishan’s Savannah Smiles (“Gabby”). All are show quality and I would love to see them all in the ring. However, the most important thing is for them to have the best homes possible. Gabby won an AOM at the 2014 TTCA National Specialty.

I look at structure first. I like a short back and good movement first. I guess the most important thing to me is temperament. We have nine Tibetans and they all get along. They are our family and house dogs.

Our CH Salishan’s Spice Girl BN,RN,CGCA (“Posh”) and CH DreamMaker Salishan Chase Your Wildest Dreams (“Misty”) are working on Therapy, Obedience and Rally. Our CH DreamMaker Salishan Earth Angel (“Ziva”) will be looking at motherhood soon.

Evie is following in her mother’s footsteps. Last December at the AKC National Championship dog show, she won Best of Breed at the Finals of the 2016 Owner Handler Group and a Group 4 for the Owner Handler Non-Sporting Group Finals. At the 2017 TTCA National Specialty Evie received an AOM as well as Best Brace and Grand Futurity Winner. Evie is currently in the Top 10 All Breed Points and Owner Handlers.

I added Salishan to our puppies’ names as a tribute to the late Gary Carr who I learned so much from. I still miss him. I still listen to breeders who have been breeding a long time.

I think we can always learn something new about our breed. Our gang are very spoiled and we say they do not know they are dogs so please no one tell them.

– Janet Slothower

A woman called the airline customer-service desk to ask if she could take her dog on board.

“Sure,” the man said, “As long as you provide a kennel big enough for the dog to stand up, sit down, turn around, and roll over.

The customer was flummoxed: “I’ll never be able to teach him all of that by tomorrow!” – Reader’s Digest

Looking Ahead to 2019

The 2019 Tibetan Terrier Club of America (TTCA) National Specialty will convene in Boxborough, Massachusetts May 26 – May 31, 2019. TTCA member Travis Brock will chair the event. For details, contact Travis at travbrock@hotmail.com

Correction

The July-August issue of the TT Times incorrectly identified the registered name of the Best of Winners, Best Bred By and Winners Dog as Honeycreek Tidewater and Ashlyn Return the Heir. His correct registered name is Honeycreek Tidewatch and Ashlyn Return the Heir. The TT Times regrets the error.
TTCA Futurity Sweepstakes

Breeders nominate litters and pups for 2018 prize

Tibetan Terrier Club of America (TTCA) member Andrea Reiman will serve as the 2018 Futurity Sweepstakes Judge for the 2018 TTCA National Specialty at Purina Farms in Grey Summit, Missouri, just outside St. Louis.

The 2018 Futurity event will take place Tuesday afternoon May 1 following the 4-6 Month Puppy Class and preceding the Puppy/Veteran Sweepstakes.

Summer Futurity litter nominations are coming in to Futurity Chair Claire Coppola from TTCA member breeders. Under the updated TTCA Breeder’s Showcase “Futurity” Rules, member breeders have 4 months to nominate a litter for a $35 litter fee. The individual dog nomination fee is $50. This is a good deal less costly than nominating an individual dog after the 4-month litter-nomination period expires.

III. THE NOMINATION PROCESS
B. Nomination of a Litter must be made within 4 months of whelping by a Breeder (dam Owner) who is a member in good standing of the TTCA at the time of breeding and whelping of the litter, as well as at the time of nomination.

Nominate Candidates to Judge 2019 Futurity

Attention nominating breeders! Looking past next year’s Futurity event to 2019, please take a moment to nominate a candidate to serve as Futurity Sweepstakes judge at the 2019 TTCA National Specialty. Yes, we’re already talking about 2019. The 2019 national will convene in Boxborough, Massachusetts May 26, 2019 – May 31, 2019.

Candidates for Futurity Sweepstakes judge need not be a TTCA member but must be in good standing with the AKC, and if a member of the TTCA, must also be in good standing with the TTCA. Candidates must have at least 10-year knowledge base of the AKC Tibetan Terrier breed standard. The Futurity judge shall not have judged the FuturityStakes within the past three years. Recent Futurity judges include Kate Stanuch in 2015, Valerie Barber in 2016 and Sally Birgl in 2017.

The deadline to submit nominations for the 2019 (not 2018) Futurity Sweepstakes Judge is December 1, 2017. To nominate a candidate, simply fill in the bottom half of a Futurity Stakes—Breeder’s Showcase nomination form, which is available on the TTCA web site via the links below:

- TTCA FUTURITY STAKES — BREEDER’S SHOWCASE LITTER NOMINATION form
- TTCA FUTURITY STAKES — BREEDER’S SHOWCASE NOMINATION INDIVIDUAL DOG nomination form.

Alternatively, any three TTCA members acting together may also nominate one judge, as discussed below:

VIII. FUTURITY STAKES JUDGES
A. Nomination of a Judge can be done by either of the following methods:
   (i.) TTCA Member-Breeders or TTCA Member-Owners complete the optional Judge’s nomination section at the time of submitting a Litter or Individual Dog Nomination Form. Each TTCA Member-Breeder or Member-Owner may nominate one Judge per calendar year, even if that TTCA Member submits multiple nominations.
   (ii.) A Judge may be nominated by three TTCA members using the Futurity Nomination Form supplied by the TTCA corresponding secretary or downloaded from the TTCA website.

For a detailed description of the new rules, see TTCA Breeder’s Showcase “Futurity” Rules on the TTCA web site.

The TTCA established the Futurity Sweepstakes to provide breeders with a venue, held annually at the TTCA National Specialty, to exhibit those dogs they breed that best demonstrate the goals of their breeding program as exemplified by the AKC breed standard.

For additional information, contact Futurity Chair Claire Coppola at (973) 769 0907 or via email to rinchentibetanterriers@gmail.com

- Futurity Chair Claire Coppola
TTCA Futurity Sweepstakes
2019 Futurity Judge Nomination Form

1. A judge must be a member in good standing of the TTCA. He or she shall be nominated by the membership of the TTCA and elected by written ballot of the membership of the TTCA. The candidate who is 2nd in the balloting shall be designated Alternate Judge should the 1st be unable to judge.

2. Anyone who has accepted an assignment to judge the Futurity in the past three years is ineligible to be nominated.

3. Futurity judges are personally responsible for all expenses incurred in such an assignment.

A judge must be nominated on the Futurity Nomination Form (this form) by three TTCA members in good standing.

Each nominee must sign and date the nominating form below, indicating acceptance and understanding of the accompanying responsibilities. The nomination form must also bear the signatures of the three TTCA members submitting the nomination.

We Hereby Nominate:
Name: ____________________________________________________________
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Address: _______________________________________________________
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Telephone: _________________________
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Email: ____________________________
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1) ____________________________________________________ ___________________

Signature of TTCA Nominating Member Date

Printed or Typed Name of TTCA Nominating Member

2) ____________________________________________________ _________________

Signature of TTCA Nominating Member Date

Printed or Typed Name of TTCA Nominating Member

3) ___________________________________________________ __________

Signature of TTCA Nominating Member Date

Printed or Typed Name of TTCA Nominating Member

I accept this responsibility and am fully aware of the commitment and responsibility to TTCA and the Tibetan Terrier fancy should I be elected. I affirm that I am aware, if elected, neither I nor any person residing in the same household with me shall exhibit or act as agent or handler in the regular competition of the show and dogs owned wholly or in part by myself or any member of my household shall be ineligible to be entered in the regular competition at such show.

TTCA Futurity judges are personally responsible for all expenses incurred in such an assignment.

_________________________________________________ ________________________________________________
Signature of Nominee Date

Printed or Typed Name of Nominee

Please send completed forms to the TTCA Corresponding Secretary: Janet Slothower, 7172 Goldview Dr., Aiken, SC 29801

NOMINATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY TTCA CORRESPONDING SECRETARY ON OR BEFORE December 1, 2017.
SHOW TIME
2018 TTCA National Specialty

Meet Us in St. Louis April 29 – May 2, 2018

The host hotel is Holiday Inn St. Louis West at Six Flags. Telephone (636) 938-6661 for reservations and information. Photo courtesy of Holiday Inn.

Remember the Memory Walk from past nationals when you could submit a picture of your dearly departed TT or your TT mentor or best friend for display? We are bringing back the concept. However, for 2018, we are going high tech!

We are asking you to submit a photo that will be put into a slideshow presentation and will run continuously on a large screen during the BBQ Welcome Luncheon on Monday April 30 then on a ringside monitor on Tuesday May 1 and Wednesday May 2.

Submit photos via email to brendacheckers@gmail.com.

Please include the Tibetan Terrier name, owner(s)’ name(s) and a sentence or two about the Tibetan Terrier or human. The price of each submission is $7. Make check payable to TTCA and mail to TTCA Treasurer, Amy Sodeman, P.O. Box 217, Boonville, CA 95415. Note Memory Walk and number of submissions on your check “memo” line. Please submit photos and payments no later than April 3, 2018.

The TTCA website provides a link for all information on the host hotel: the Holiday Inn St. Louis West at Six Flags allows you to pull right up to your door for easy loading and unloading and provides plenty of grass for dog walking. Perfect for dog show groups, the hotel offers all the amenities—it even features a grooming building with dog washing tubs.

To make a reservation, call (636) 938-6661 and speak with the sales department, as it handles dog show booking block and group rates.

WE NEED YOUR HELP WITH TROPHY DONATIONS TO MAKE OUR TROPHY TABLE REALLY SPECIAL. Please refer to the TTCA website here to view the trophy donation list and form and sponsor a trophy. Don’t forget to donate for the performance classes!

We have fabulous 2018 merchandise available for purchase.

You can view and purchase it all on the TTCA Online Store. Special items this year include the 2018 TT calendar and 2018 Specialty Glitter Shirts. Ladies love them! Tees and sweatshirts are available in many colors. AND of course there is a great array of logo items. Don’t go to the show without your specialty attire!

Show Dog Video Pros will record the show and provide live online streaming. In Focus by Miguel will photograph the show, provide a TV monitor to view and purchase photos and shoot ringside candids and action shots.

Be sure to “Like” our 2018 Tibetan Terrier Club of America National Specialty in St Louis page and check frequently for updates.

For all show correspondence, write to us at our new email address: TTnationalinfo@gmail.com. The show chair is Polly Naumann.

Laurel MacMinn
Schedule

TTCA NATIONAL SPECIALTY APRIL 29 – MAY 2, 2018 GRAY SUMMIT, MO

Conformation, Agility, Obedience, Rally ALL Indoors at ONE Location

Sun Apr 29

- ANNUAL BOARD MEETING AT HOST HOTEL
  - VERY WELL DOG-EQUIPPED HOLIDAY INN AT SIX FLAGS, EUREKA, MISSOURI CLOSE TO SHOW HEADQUARTERS at PURINA FARMS

Mon Apr 30

Morning

- OPENING CEREMONIES AT SHOW HEADQUARTERS TO INCLUDE:
  - HOSPITALITY BOOTH WITH COFFEE, SNACKS, HOSPITALITY BAGS AND INFORMATION
  - DROP OFF "STATE BASKETS" FOR RAFFLE

Afternoon

- SET-UP FOR SHOWS
- PARADE OF CHAMPIONS
- BBQ LUNCH
- EDUCATIONAL SPEAKERS
  - INFORMATION TO BE PROVIDED
- TIBETAN-TERRIER-ONLY INDOOR AGILITY
- COMPANION EVENT (PLUS MORE SURPRISES)
- CANINE GOOD CITIZEN TESTING

Evening

- TOP TWENTY COMPETITION WITH COCKTAILS AND DINNER AT PURINA 2ND LEVEL

Tues May 1

Morning

- OBEDIENCE/RALLY
  - $100 CASH PRIZE FOR HIGHEST SCORING NOVICE RALLY

Afternoon

- CUT DOWN SWEEPS
- 4-6 MONTH CLASS
- FUTURITY
- PUPPY/VETERAN SWEEPS
- BREEDER CLASS
- STATE BASKETS RAFFLE DRAWING

Evening

- COCKTAILS/DINNER WITH AUCTION AT PURINA 2ND LEVEL

Wed May 2

All Day

- JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP
- REGULAR CONFORMATION CLASSES
- BEST PUPPY/BRED BY EXHIBITOR/VETERAN
- STUD DOG/BROOD BITCH/BRACE

Evening

- ANNUAL DINNER MEETING AT HOST HOTEL

Thurs May 3

- TTCA REGIONAL SPECIALTY IN CONJUNCTION WITH GATEWAY NON-SPORTING DOG SHOW WITH PUPPY AND VETERAN SWEEPS

Fri May 4 - Sun May 6

- ALL-BREED SHOWS ALL WITH TTCA-SUPPORTED ENTRIES

OTHER EVENTS AT PURINA
(SPONSORED BY NORWICH TERRIER CLUB OF AMERICA)

- MON- TUES BARN HUNT TEST, COURSING ABILITY TEST (CAT)
- WED FAST CAT TEST
- SAT HEALTH CHECK CLINICS (MORE DETAIL TO FOLLOW)
- SUN EARTHDOG TRIALS

JUDGING LINE-UP (PENDING AKC APPROVAL)
2018 TTCA National Specialty

Tues May 1 – Wed May 2

- SWEEPSTAKES – Emily Barker, Burnsville, MN
- 4-6 MONTH CLASS, CUT DOWN SWEEPSTAKES, and BREEDER CLASS – Lee Kouski, Grayslake, IL
- Obedience and Rally – Jim Comunale, Ballwin, MO
- FUTURITY – Andrea Reiman, Bond, CO
- Agility - Richard Kurzawa, Maryland Heights, MO
- Juniors and All Regular Classes – Stacy LaForge, New Providence, NJ

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SWEEPSTAKES – Pam Desrosiers, Cornwallville, NY
ALL REGULAR CLASSES – Barbara Alderman, Moon Township, PA
Many people have told me that they can’t find a trainer for nose work near them and are looking for options. Anyone interested in training for a dog sport (or several), but can’t find a trainer you like, or else want to supplement their in-person classes, should check out the Fenzi Dog Sports Academy (FDSA), an on-line dog sports education program.

FDSA offers an average of 25 or more online courses every term, so there is something for everyone. All of their classes utilize positive training methods and there’s a class for almost every dog sport and topic. I’ve taken scent training, shaping, reactivity, play, over arousal and engagement classes as well as others. The academy was developed to provide high-quality information and worldwide availability regarding the most current and progressive methods of dog training for competition dogs—otherwise known as “sport” dogs.

Why an Online Dog Sports Academy

If you are seriously interested in furthering your dog sports education, either as a hobbyist or as a professional trainer, FDSA online education has a good deal to offer you. Without leaving your home or your job you can take one course at a time, concentrating on a topic for only six weeks without disrupting your life or committing to a long term program.

FDSA designs courses to give you a path to your goals. Instead of taking random courses that someone else thinks you need, you can select courses based on detailed descriptions that exactly meet your interests and goals.

FDSA offers tiered pricing options. If you’d like plenty of support and video review, you’ll pay $260. If you’d like to ask questions but don’t need video review, you’ll pay $130. And if you’d like to get your feet wet as an observer, or if you don’t need additional help, then you’ll pay $65. Scholarships are available to help with the cost.

Classes are perfect for reactive, shy, or aggressive dogs that aren’t ready for a class setting, without the expense of ongoing private lessons. Further, you can take classes to help you work through these issues! In short, you can gain a tremendous amount of information from world class, positive reinforcement (R+) trainers, regardless of where you live, what dog you are training or when you are able to study. The web site provides a class schedule and you can sign up for email notification before enrollment begins for classes that interest you.

I hope this gives the Tibetan Terrier community an option for training. Next time we can review particular classes in scent work.

– MPBIS GCh Tibicinan Patricia Joli “Sisu” and Amy Soderman

At Last Farms’ ZiGi Stardust Son of Sargas (ZiGi”) checks out his famous sister “Kashi” and her mom, 2001 Trainer of the Year, Julie Flannery, one of FDSA’s expert instructors.
BOOK REVIEW

Tashi The Good Luck Pup

Lush illustrations and daring tale enliven Tibetan Terrier children’s book

I look forward to any book about Tibetan Terriers, partly because there are so few of them, partly because I am passionate about the breed. The distinguished history of the Tibetan Terrier elevates that passion to a kind of quest: always looking for the next book or blog post to reveal something as yet unrevealed. Susanne Roderick’s self-published book, Tashi The Good Luck Pup, does not answer that quest, but I enjoyed it nonetheless, because, like most other books I’ve read on the subject, this one is written by one who is equally enchanted with the breed.

Any lover of Tibetan Terriers will enjoy it too; if you have very young children or grandchildren, all the more so. Told in rhyming verse\(^1\), with a lush vocabulary uncommon in children’s books, the narrative introduces the reader to “cherished little shaggy dogs” who live in the Lost Valley of Tibet with “devoted men of prayer.” I can only imagine delighting a child with the whimsical rhymes, then explaining to a questing mind in response to inevitable questions the meaning of holy men of prayer, peaceful monks, abbey, hallowed, sacred and monastery, then turning the book to share the full page illustrious illustrations with omnivorous eyes and a searching gaze. (If only I had a grandchild.)

The story tells of an English doctor who visits the monks. Yes, it sounds familiar. Unfortunately, the author takes serious liberties with the actual life of Dr. Agnes Grieg, who first brought “the little shaggy dogs” out of Tibet via India in 1926, as she (Roderick) weaves an adventurous tale involving the eponymous Tashi, a village boy and girl injured on a snowy mountain, their rescue by Tashi and the doctor (a man), and the gratitude of the monks. If you know the true story of Dr. Grieg, you will anticipate what happens next, but just in case you do not, I will not tell. No spoiler here.

The synopsis on the back cover reports that the book is “inspired by a timeless Tibetan legend” and, indeed, Dr. Grieg is legendary in the West for bringing the little shaggy dogs out of Tibet and introducing them to England, Europe and the United States. That her story is also legendary in Tibet comes as a surprise to me, and please forgive my skepticism because I do not see how such a thing is possible. Nevertheless, Roderick does a sterling job of presenting the inspiring truth about the spell of enchantment these “bringers of Good Luck” cast upon all who behold them. I just wish there were more: with only about 400 words spread over 25 pages, the story is suitable for very young children with a short attention span. You can read this aloud book in 10 minutes.

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\(^1\) The rhyming is in Anapest Meter, made popular by the character Peeves in the Harry Potter novels, which in my opinion, do great damage to grammar and syntax but thrill in their rendering of magic and juvenile fantasy: “Oh, Potter, you rotter, oh, what have you done, You’re killing off students, you think it’s good fun. – Peeves, a poltergeist who speaks only in rhyming song.
Halloween week poses dozens of risks to The Little People—from candy and costumes to canapés adorned with festive plastic skewers, which the health-conscious may commend but can seriously injure your Tibetan Terrier (because they just don’t know they’re not supposed to eat the plastic thing, do they now?) As for that cadre of costumed colleagues and cohorts dancing to Monster Mash in your living room? Many—if not all—but the most sociable TT will be overwhelmed and stressed. It’s not fun if it’s frightening. Here then is a primer on how to keep your Tibetans safe so you don’t have to worry while the festivities are underway.

Halloween week is the busiest time of year for the Pet Poison Helpline, which over the past decade has experienced a 12-21 percent spike in calls during this period. The 24-hour animal poison control service advises pet owners and veterinary professionals who require assistance with treating a potentially poisoned pet. Here is a sampling of the kinds of calls they get and cautionary tales to help keep your Little People safe.

Let’s Get Candid about Candy

Many calls involve pets accidentally eating Halloween candy. According to Dr. Eva Evans DVM, a veterinarian in private practice who also writes for Pet’s Best Health Insurance, the five most dangerous Halloween candies for canines are candy corn, chocolate covered raisins, candy with wrappers, bite size hard candy and sugar free gum.

Sugar-free gum or candy with xylitol is the most dangerous type of Halloween candy for pets. Highly toxic to canines, xylitol causes a severe drop in blood sugar within minutes after ingestion, which manifests as sudden, extreme lethargy; inability to walk; seizure; severe liver damage and potential liver failure. If your Tibetan Terrier ingests sugar free candy or gum, says the Pet Poison Helpline, do not wait for symptoms to set in. Get to the veterinarian immediately.

Chocolate covered raisins are a toxic nightmare for canines, Evans says, because the sweet combines two potentially lethal ingredients: chocolate, which can cause severe vomiting, diarrhea and seizures; and raisins, which can cause severe kidney failure. If that doesn’t alarm you, this will: According to the Pet Poison Hotline, during Halloween week, pets are 84 percent more likely to visit the vet for raisin poisoning and 26 percent more likely to visit for chocolate poisoning. If your Tibetan Terrier eats chocolate covered raisins this Halloween, do not wait for symptoms to set in. Get to the veterinarian immediately.

Candy corn and other high sugar candies can cause severe gas and diarrhea in Tibetans. The sugar not only provides a source of food for gut bacteria, but it also pulls water into the colon to cause diarrhea.

Bite-size hard candy poses a major choking hazard for TTs because it tastes good, becomes slippery when it mixes with saliva and is easily inhaled—a perfect storm for fatal choking if it becomes lodged in the wind pipe.

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Candy with plastic and foil wrappers are risky, says Evans, because they can cause an obstruction in the intestines and irritate the lining of the GI tract.

**Be Cautious with Costumes and Canapés**

The Humane Society of the United States warns that Halloween decorations and costumes with beads, snaps or other small pieces pose extreme risks to dogs. And costume props made of metals like zinc and lead are poisonous if ingested. The organization advises dog owners to inspect costumes and decorations around the house closely for small, dangly or easily chewed-off pieces, which can be lethal if swallowed—no matter what their composition. Any small wood or plastic piece can lodge in the gut and cause an obstruction, a particularly pernicious injury that can take weeks or months to diagnose because the symptoms—fever, vomiting, diarrhea, lethargy—mimic the flu and wood and plastic do not show up on x-rays. Even worse, the object could pierce the intestine, which if undetected, could lead to septic peritonitis.

A heavy fabric costume on a dog can also cause overheating. Animal welfare officers in the United Kingdom (UK) warn that heavy clothing could cause dogs to overheat and have even threatened to prosecute people who dress up their dogs.

**Jo Barr**, spokeswoman for the UK’s Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (RSPCA) said, “Dog owners should be aware that under the Animal Welfare Act that came into force in April 2007 they have a duty of care to ensure that all of their pets’ needs are met.”

To be on the safe side, why not skip the costume altogether in favor of a rocking bandana? The American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (ASPCA) “Halloween Safety Tips” recommend that you forego costuming your canine “unless you are certain it does not limit movement, sight or ability to breathe or bark.” The American Kennel Club (AKC) agrees. In “Help Make Your Dog’s Halloween Costume a Pleasant Experience” Hilorie Erb writes, “The outfit should not make him too hot or restrict movement or breathing.” Signs of discomfort include folded down ears, eyes rolling back or looking sideways, a tucked tail and hunching over. ASPCA and AKC both further recommend that you try the costume on your canine before the big night to check for distress or unusual behavior. All experts agree to monitor The Little People closely:

**Never leave your Tibetan in a costume unsupervised.**

**Not All Dogs are Party Animals**

A room filled with family and friends wearing costumes at Halloween is customary. But to your Tibetan Terrier, even a familiar friend in a mask can be upsetting. In “How to Give Your Pets a Safe and Happy Halloween,” the Humane Society of the United States (HSUS) cautions that masks and costumes change how people look and smell to a dog, so even familiar people can be terrifying. Their advice? Keep all but the most social dogs in a separate room with a tightly closed door or gate and away from the front entrance during trick-or-treating. And always make sure your dog wears proper identification when guests visit. If for any reason the dog should escape, a collar with ID tags and/or a microchip can mean the difference between reuniting with you on the same day and spending days or longer at a shelter.

HSUS also says to be wary of Halloween decorations like “rubber eyeballs (choking risk), glow sticks and fake blood (possible poisons), fake cobwebs (can choke or entangle pets and wildlife), and potpourri (toxic).” Decorative pumpkins, gourds and multi-colored dried corn may be treated with...
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shellac, glitter or glue that can cause gastrointestinal upset if consumed. Be safe and keep these out of reach until right before the party starts and after your Tibetans are safely stowed in their room or crates.

And please forgo those colorful toothpicks and festive Halloween skewers! Left unattended for even a minute, a table filled with crudité and canapés is an irresistible invitation to a Tibetan Terrier to binge—not serious provided the food is safe for dogs. But when decorated with a toothpick, that pig-in-blanket can be as lethal as broken glass if swallowed. Don’t believe anyone who tells you that a wooden toothpick is not a danger to a dog. Some objects may be small enough to swallow and digest with minor consequences. But others may get stuck in the mouth, throat, esophagus, stomach or intestines.

It Can Happen to Anyone

GCh Karma’s Star Icon Lunar Eclipse (“Clipsey”) suffered such an injury last year and was side-lined for 10 months recovering from a perforated intestine and bacterial septic peritonitis after swallowing a 4-inch wooden toothpick. Clipsey’s owner, TTCA member Jill Hardy, believes he likely ate a scrap of a sandwich or possibly

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Fortunately, Phillip Angus Mackenzie’s whimsical illustrations, which adorn every page, compel you to slow down. Brightly painted landscapes, Tibetan monasteries and Tibetan Terriers on snowy bluffs help fill out the story with important details that are missing from the narrative and that an inquisitive child seeing for the first time will find compelling—e.g., that the “peaceful monks” dress in crimson and saffron colored robes and have no hair; that the doctor dresses in the kind of business suit and tie his Daddy or uncle might wear; that the shaggy dogs are brave and come in many colors; and so on. All in all, it’s the kind of book that stimulates and excites, then leaves you hungry for more.

Available in hardback, paper back and e-book at Barnes and Noble, Amazon and other online retailers.

– Pat Carroll

Beware the Scares

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just a juicy paper wrapper from the floor at a dog show, and that in either case a deadly wooden toothpick was hidden inside.

For two months, the young AKC Grand Champion and 2016 Tibetan Terrier Club of America (TTCA) Grand Futurity winner suffered fever, vomiting, bloody diarrhea, loss of appetite, fatigue and breakage and loss of his grand Tibetan Terrier coat. An army of wellness veterinarians and animal health specialists diagnosed and treated him for a virus. But he did not improve, and when he began to vomit and scream in pain, Jill rushed him to an advanced veterinary wellness and preventative care facility for a battery of more tests and an abdominal ultrasound examination.

“The ultrasound showed something weird and big,” Jill explained, “which (during surgery) turned out to be a big ball of puss wrapped around his pancreas.”

Emergency surgery at another facility revealed an intestinal abscess and a 4-inch sliver of wood penetrating the small intestine. Because it was not metal or mineral, the object had not shown up on the x-ray.

“A toothpick was lodged in his intestine,” Jill said. “There was a lot of puss, but it was contained around his pancreas until they opened him up. Then bacteria went everywhere.”

Thanks to his doctors and Jill’s care, Clipsey recovered, and in June he started competing again. Over the summer, he won four Best of Breed awards.

“He is on his way with more care and work on his coat to a bright future,” said Jill. “We are so happy he’s back in the game and has survived this ordeal!”

Jill stresses the importance of watching out for your Tibetans anytime there is food around but especially during the holidays and never to put toothpicks in food.

Dr. Anne Fawcett, veterinary surgeon in Sydney, Australia, agrees. In “Why dogs should avoid the hor d’oeuvres: the tale of a migrating toothpick” she warns “to be very wary when using toothpicks or those sharp wooden kebab skewers anywhere in the vicinity of a canine (and remember that dogs don’t mind going through the trash after you have a party, and toothpicks are the sort of thing that perforate garbage bags so are easily sited and removed by dogs).”

So beware and take care this Halloween to keep The Little People safe.

– Pat Carroll

“...if you are a dog and your owner suggests that you wear a sweater, suggest that he wear a tail.” – Fran Lebowitz
Membership Matters September

The Tibetan Terrier Club of America (TTCA) welcomes five new Associate members and one new Junior member. The club received an application from one Associate member applicant.

New Members
We extend a very warm welcome to the following four new Associate members and a new Junior member:

- Sybil Turner
- Heidi Warner
- Dana Getz
- Deidre Philpot
- Madison Smith (Junior)

Associate Member Applicant
Allison Preston of Golden, Colorado re-applied for membership, since she had allowed her prior membership to lapse after the loss of her last Tibetan Terrier. She currently owns one TT and has chosen to become a member again because the club supports and promotes betterment of the breed, and the members encourage each other. She has shown her TT in conformation and may possibly do limited breeding in the future. Her mentor is Susan Van Hecke, who is also sponsoring her. Her other sponsor is Claire Coppola.

If you wish to submit any comments regarding the applicant(s), please do so within fifteen (15) days of receipt of this newsletter.

Send comments to:
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Sponsors
The application forms can be confusing, so please assist the people you sponsor to ensure that they are correctly completed.

Associate Members Applying For Regular Membership Status
If you are an Associate member applying for Regular membership status, please do not include a check with your application. You will receive a dues renewal notice in January.

– Vicki Hawkins,
TTCA Membership Chair

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The Tibetan Terrier Health and Welfare Foundation received the following donations in July and August:

- In memory of “Tanner Mae Mae,” Fran and Apple Kridakorn’s beloved Tibetan from Joyce Killinger; Ester Varon; Victoria Mott; Savannah, Simon and their Mommy Elaine Lingle; Debra Lasher; Cindy and Paul Douglass; Bonnie Arons-Polan; Dianne Wood; Sandy and Tom Dotson; The SecreTT HearTTs; Alexis Shoemate; Francis Varon

- In memory of Lorraine Simon from Kate Fox, Suzanne Neureiter and Steve and Shirley Harris

- In memory of Bob and Jeannie Helton, KA-BA Tibetans from Margy and Ron Pankiewicz

- In memory of Jeannie Helton from Bob and Carol Kreis

- In memory and in honor of my sweet baby “Jackson.” My heart aches for you, from Regina Steirs

- In memory of “Charley” from Joan Baker

- In memory of “Charley” Joan Baker’s TT from Kathleen Klutemeier

- In memory of “Mickey” from Penny Colbert

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- In memory of “Tyler” and “Missy” from Kate Scherrer

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- In memory of Paddington McDuff, “Duffy”, my best friend and little boy for 13 years from K Bosnell Art, LLC

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- In memory of “Keiko” and “Tonda” from Alexandra Augenzucker

- In memory of “Westy” our 1st TT and in honor of “Buddy” and “Pixie” our current TT’s from Ann Frank

- In celebration of “Bigelow” being in my life from Diana Ramsdell

- In honor of Maitri Tibetan Terrier puppies born for the Breeders Challenge from Betsy Richards

- In honor of Stacey LaForge and Gerry Gross. Thank you for introducing me to TT’s. From Laura Grimm.

- In honor of Rene’ Pard Stamm from Jane Goodell and Travis Brock

- In honor of all who volunteer from Jane Goodell and Travis Brock

- In honor of Ro Morrison from Keaton

- In honor of “Tashi,” “Teddy,” “Tallulah Too,” “Rose” and “Willow” from Alan and Ronni Brenner

- In honor of “Radcliffe,” “Charlie” and “Merlin” from Kimberly Anderson

- In honor of “Tashi,” the Good Luck Pup Children’s Book from Susanne Roderick

- In honor of “Cooper” who I love and miss every day from Linda Klein

- In honor of “Nova,” she brightens every day from Rosalyn de la Cruz

The Tibetan Terrier Health and Welfare Foundation would like to thank the Tibetan Terrier Community for their generous support. Without it, we would not have been able to rescue, vet and place the unfortunate TTs in need of help. Our health initiative helps keep our breed strong.

— TTHWF Treasurer Kerry Abbott
Junior Handler Catalina Fox
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(Cali), but most of the time when I go to the TT nationals, she is my Junior dog,” says Cat.

Cat cites travelling and increased competition from other handlers as challenges. “Travelling is definitely a challenge for me. The closest shows to me are an hour or more drive. (But) I love seeing new places and meeting new people and dogs—mainly the dogs.”

The competition can be intense, says Cat.

“In Open Senior, I am going against up to 15 in my class.”

“Not a lot of my friends know I show dogs . . . it just never (or rarely) comes up, but when it does, they always asked me about the different dogs I see at the shows.”

In the end, everything—travel, training and competition—comes down to one thing for Cat: It’s all about the Tibetans.

“My favorite aspect of the sport is spending time with my dogs and developing relationships with them.”

Spoken like a woman with the right priorities.

– Pat Carroll

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HAPPY HALLOWEEN. Keep it safe for your Little People. Shown above: “Ghost Stories for Dogs” a photo of a print of an original portrait by Lisa Zador of her dog, “Bingo.” Photo by Pat Carroll of the print in her home.