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OF THE NORTH EAST STAFFORDSHIRE BULL TERRIER CLUB

## State of the Stafford

**Hello NESBTC members,**

Welcome to the summer / fall addition of the NESBTC Journal. I hope you are all enjoying the summer with your staffords.

We are currently looking for members interested in serving on the NESBTC Board of Directors for two positions that we have opening. If you have an interest in participating, please email me [president@nesbtc.com](mailto:president@nesbtc.com) by 31st August to be included on the ballot

The Classic is rapidly approaching and we have great weekend planned for our members and fellow Stafford mates. Make sure you mark your calendars and join us for a weekend of fun and great dogs on 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> of September. We are trying a new show site & cluster this year in Bridgewater New Jersey. We still plan to have a great show as always with our usual events at our host hotel. In addition for those interested, this new show site has lots of RV parking with Electric, some with water and there is a dump station on site, so pack up that camper and come have fun with us! Camping information will be available in the Premium List when it is released. For the first time will also be supporting Rally & Obedience, so there is something for everyone and every stafford!

We have some wonderful judges joining us Audrey Hubery - Nozac & Melanie Corcoran - Molru, whose bios are available on page 4 & 5 of this edition. Also joining us as our sweepstakes judges are our very own USA breeders and competitors George Urbanski – Windy City & Thornton Alberg – Iries. Make sure to bring out your puppies and veterans!

Membership renewals are due. Please help us put on great events by supporting us with your annual membership, single \$25 and family \$35. If you know of new Stafford owners along with your own puppy buyers, consider sponsoring them to become a member and to get involved socially, competitively or both with our great club.

I also want to send a huge shout out to our “Men of Staffords”! The 2017 calendar was a wonderful success and was able to raise a massive \$1,150. Proceeds will be used to support Staffordshire Bull Terrier rescue locally and worldwide. In order to support that effort NESBTC are please to donate \$575, 50% of the funds raised, to The Stafford Knot. Thank you to all of our Men and their Staffords for being good sports and participating and thank you to our sponsors.

Would you like to have your Stafford featured in the next edition of the NESBTC journal? Advertising is available to showcase your Breeding, a big win, even your dog related business.

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Don't forget to follow us on our various social media sites, Facebook, Instagram & Twitter to stay up to date on all things NESBTC. Make sure you post your brags and new titles; we want to see what you get up to with your amazing Staffords.

Yours in Staffords,

Jodie Berry

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*It's not just a dog show, it's the classic!*



NESBTC Proudly Presents

# 2017 Stafford Classic

<u>FRIDAY</u> Audrey Hubery "Nozac" UK	September 8 <sup>th</sup> & 9 <sup>th</sup>	<u>SATURDAY</u> Melanie Corcoran "Molru" IRE
Sweepstakes George Urbanski "Windy City" USA	Bridgewater NJ	Sweepstakes Thornton Alberg "Irie's" USA



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# NESBTC's PAGE 3 GIRL



## AKC/UKC CH Moonstruck Luck Be A Lady

*Lauren*

Lauren completed her AKC Championship and Grand Championship with limited showing.

- Best Of Opposite Sex : 2017 PSBTC Stafford Extravaganza - Breeder Judge Sylvia Barkey
- Select Bitch : 2016 SBTCA Supported Entry at Hatboro Kennel Club - Breeder Judge Chris Jacksic
- Award of Merit: 2016 SBTCA Stafford Spectacular- Breeder Judge Phil Briasco

**AKC/UKC CH MOONSTRUCK LUCK BE A LADY**

*Lauren*  
L2 HGA & HC Clear by DNA

Sire : CH Roughnecks Stand & Deliver  
Dam : GCH Moonstruck Ring of Fire

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UKC CH & AKC GCH CH Moonstruck Luck Be A Lady  
GCH CH Moonstruck Ring of Fire

Seenworstaff Stand By Me  
Roughnecks Ecstasy Of Gold  
Moonstruck The Stamler Express  
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Golden Conquest  
Roughnecks Red Rose  
Yankeestaff Blue Moondance  
Yankeestaff Cupid's Arrow  
Yankeestaff King Aries  
Yankeestaff Blue China Moon



## 2017 Stafford Classic Judges

**Audrey Hubery - Nozac:** In 1976 whilst living in SOUTH AFRICA my husband and I purchased our first STAFFORD. She was a black/tan not knowing about colours way back then she was beautiful. But we sadly had to return to the UK, so she went back to her breeder as it was not fair in putting a 4 month puppy in quarantine. After we had settled we decided we wanted the breed again. This time bought the books and did some research. I found my local BREED CLUB which was the NORTH EASTERN STAFFORDSHIRE BULL TERRIER CLUB, of which I have been a member.

I was introduced Mr. Bill Morley and Mr. Jack Miller. Through Bill we bought our first red male, DOWNEY'S DANCING DEVIL. I was advised to show him, so off I went to a local general handling class. A couple of lessons and a schedule put in my hand bearing in mind I'd never heard of a dog show. No Stafford classes on, so it was A.V. TERRIER PUPPY which he won. Going home I said, excited I was, No you have to stay for BEST PUPPY IN SHOW. Won that, off home now, No you have to stay for B.I.S. Won B.I.S. and the rest his history.

The Staffords I have owned DOWNEY'S DANCING DEVIL BEST IN SHOW ALL BREEDS. RELLIM DEED I DO. B.O.B. General Canine. NOZAC TINGE OF RED B.O.B. and STUD BOOK. NOZAC IRON FIGHTER B.I.S. GENERAL CANINE. CH. RELLIM BLACK ACE and litter brother CH. RELLIM TASK FORCE, who went to America and was an American CH. NOZAC BLACK VELVET an American CH. NOZAC SPECIAL FORCE. NOZAC KING OF THE ROAD, B.P.I.S. SHAREBELLE RUM PUNCH AT EASTAFF 2 C.C 13 R.C.C. The unluckiest bitch never got made up.

CH JUDAEL BOTH BARRELS AT NOZAC TOP PUPPY, TOP STUD, TOP SIRE, B.O.B. CRUFTS. He attained 18 C.C. & 13 R.C.C. with the title of TOP STAFFORD. NOZAC LAST CHANCE was shown lightly gaining a B.P.I.S. then retired. Finally my last time exhibiting was with my NOZAC IZZY KEEN, who was shown up to Junior where attained a R.C.C in puppy.

My judging experience has taken me all around the world and every appointment was an honor for me. I have met some fantastic STAFFORDSHIRE BULL TERRIERS I will never forget every one of them. I have met some amazing people for which I am humbled that little old me should be given an opportunity to give my opinion on their dogs.

I have judged in Australia, America, Africa, Brazil, France, Germany, Poland, Spain, Ireland, U.K. Denmark, Slovenia, Sweden & Hungary.

My memorable times, NORTH WEST STAFFORDSHIRE BULL TERRIER CLUB the highest entry ever where my CH JUDAEL BOTH BARRELS won B.I.S. and my appointment to judge dogs at CRUFTS.

And the fun times The International Match in HOLLAND where I managed 3 UK teams to win, NOT easy lots of countries taking part. MY PROUD MOMENT TOO.

I thank the club for selecting me to judge at the NESBTC Classic. I wish the Club and its members a great success and an enjoyable day.

REGARDS AUDREY HUBERY





## 2017 Stafford Classic Judges continued...

**Melanie Corcoran - Molru:** I acquired my first Stafford in 2001 having been around them my whole life. My aunt and uncle bred and showed with some success which started before I was born back in the 70's, I was always eager to pay them a visit to get my hands on their dogs and that's where the passion ignited.

'Molly' didn't turn out as the show dog I had hoped for so then along came 'Ruby' Who became my first champion Ch/Int Ch Bad Girl Pauline At Molru. 'Ruby' was all I had hoped for and quickly got made up along with 2 RCC & Numerous years as Top Stafford in Ireland.

Again my dreams came through and 'Ruby' produced my first home bred Champions CH Molru Cosmic Love along with her sister CH Molru I Gotta Feeling.

'Rory' CH/GB CH/INT CH Zakstaff What's The Story At Molru arrived at the same time as the girls and took Ireland by Storm becoming the Breed Record Holder along with winning DCC twice at Crufts! Once with BOB & G3 placing.

I am currently campaigning Molru Alright Dave who is has gained his Irish Championship title and has currently got 2 X UK CC, 3 x RCC, & Best Puppy Crufts 2016. Along with Molru Because I'm Worth It Currently on 6 x Green Stars.

I am really looking forward to judging at the NESBTC Show where I will give my interpretation of the breed standard

Regards

Melanie Corcoran





## Ain't Misbehavin' **By Andrea Kilkenny M.A., CPDT-KA, and AKC CGC Evaluator**

I enjoy watching dog shows. I admit it - I'm a behavior nerd. I love watching people, and I love watching dogs. When you see a really smooth dog and handler team, it's impressive. There are several factors that I think lead to good dog/handler teams which I will address at the latter part of this article.

On occasion, I see dogs that are barking or growling at other dogs near or in the ring. I sometimes hear ringside chatter about "Staffords being Staffords" when a dog sparks up. Granted, our breed has a unique history. This isn't going to be a history lesson on our breed - if you own a Staffordshire Bull Terrier, you know about their heritage. But is your dog acting up in the ring because "he/she is a Stafford" or is there some other reason? Do we excuse away bad behavior and assign it as a breed trait? I am a dog trainer and behavior consultant, so I can't help but wonder about this when I'm watching dog shows.

A few years ago here in New Jersey, I was observing another group of terriers in the ring. There was a group of Dandy Dinmont Terriers. I noticed that one of them was barking and lunging periodically at other dogs. I also noticed the dog had no handler focus AND the handler had no dog focus; the handler seemed completely oblivious to the dog at the end of the leash! The handler did nothing proactively to manage this dog so the dog continued to act up at every dog who even looked in his general direction.

Let's take breed out of the picture for a moment, and just talk dogs. As a trainer, I sometimes hear owners state things like, "he barks because he's protective of me" or "he's trying to show he's the boss." Most of the time, these types of assumptions aren't the case at all. A confident dog doesn't need to start trouble.

In fact, a confident dog doesn't have to throw his weight around to make his presence known to other dogs. Confident dogs are leaders with very little threat display. So why do dogs bark, lunge, and growl at other dogs?

Here are some of the common reasons that dogs are misbehaving in the ring....

## “A confident dog doesn't need to start trouble”

### **Rehearsal**

Dogs get good at what they're allowed to rehearse. So, if you aren't managing your dog, and he is allowed to rehearse a behavior, he will become better at it. In some cases, it even becomes an automatic, conditioned response ("I see another dog, therefore I bark!"). Think about behaviors that you do every day without even thinking about them - they're automatic, and sometimes conditioned responses to stimuli.

### **Mismanagement or poor management**

Some handlers create frustration and arousal in their dogs because they maintain a tight leash. Many handlers tighten up on the leash without even thinking about it. Others do it consciously in an effort to manage their dogs, but in fact, this very action can have an undesirable effect. Dog trainers know it as "opposition reflex." This means that your dog's natural instinct when he feels a tug or tension on the leash is to pull away from that force. Another unwanted side effect of tightening up on the leash is that the handler communicates stress to the dog via the leash; the dog learns, "gee, my owner seems tense when we're around other dogs, maybe I should be worried, too."

One of the most important things I teach my students who have reactive dogs is proper leash holding. In fact, during our foundations class for reactive dogs, we use tethers so that owners can have their hands free - how quickly they realize that what they have been doing, in part, influences what happens at the other end of the leash! I also teach my students the difference between a short leash versus a tight leash. Sometimes it is necessary to decrease the length of the lead, but you can shorten it without tightening your grip.

### **Dog social, dog tolerant, dog selective or dog aggressive?**

Okay, let's talk about it. Are there some dogs who really, truly do not like other dogs, and/or whose intent is to harm other dogs? Yes. But I think true dog aggression is a very minor percentage of the pet dog population in general. Our own breed is far removed from its original purpose; people aren't selectively breeding for this trait. I'm not denying that we probably have some dogs in our breed that are dog aggressive or dog selective, but I don't believe it accounts for the majority of problematic behavior.

In my own current household of four dogs, our two females are mostly uninterested in other dogs; they have zero interest in making dog friends or meeting new dogs. However, they can interact just fine in a class or group setting with other dogs present. They are also able to integrate with some dogs, given proper introductions. I would call them dog tolerant or dog selective. My males are much more dog friendly - they like having dog friends and participate in play groups regularly at my training school.

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# NESBTC's PAGE 7 HUNK

## GCH Shortyrocks The Vindicator

*Duncan*

During his short show career Duncan has enjoyed great success under both UK and AKC judges. Duncan can be a "Goofy teenager" he loves swimming at the lake, wrestling with his mother and meeting new friends, as he demonstrated at the 2017 SBTCA Top Twenty competition, greeting all Spectators. He is such a delight to have in our lives, a fun loving, never met a stranger dog that brings a smile to everyone's face. A True Stafford

- BPS Area 1 Specialty Sweeps International Kennel Club of Chicago Stacy Crow (Heart N Soul)
- BPS Area 5 Specialty Sweeps Toni Pawson (Manorville)
- BOW Area 5 Specialty AKC Judge Dayna Lemke (Daydream) & UK Judge Mr. Paul Martin(Loyalstaff)
- AOM SBTCA 2015 National Specialty Show AUS Judge Craig Frazier (Highbourne)
- SD Westminster Kennel Club 2016 AKC Judge Mr. Ron Menaker
- BOS 2017 SBTCA National Specialty UK Judge Mr. Pete Hopgood
- SD 2017 Area 5 Supported Entry UK Judge Mr. Shaun Stone
- BOB 2017 Supported Entry PSBTC CA Judge Ms. Sylvia Barkey



VWW York House Marksman

UK CH Vanoric Voodoo

Toscam Moonbeam

MBISS GCH Thrashers Elliott Eversohandsome

CH Mat-Staff Electra Of Komizar

**GCH Shortyrocks The Vindicator**

BISS GCH Shortyrocks Fiona Fairestothemall

UK CH Sparstaff Dodgy Docker  
UK CH Jamarvins Femme Fatale Of Vanoric  
UK CH Bombstaff Carlsberg  
UK CH Bethane Moonlight Madonna  
Crossguns Graduate At Crosswords  
CH Thrashers Rear Naked Choke  
Crossguns Nitro Express  
CH Dark Angel Mat-Staff



## Ain't Misbehavin' Continued.....

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### What Can Handlers and Owners Do To Improve Manners Around Other Dogs?

#### Attention, attention, attention

Attention is the foundation to good behavior. If your dog is attending to you, it will prevent a lot of issues in and around the ring. I teach my students to practice attention games - games that reward the dog for having eye contact on you, the handler. Some people even teach an attention cue, such as "watch me" but I do not train it that way. I capture and reward unsolicited, voluntary eye contact check-ins with handler. I don't want to have to nag my dog to pay attention to me. I want dogs to learn, "hey it's worth my time to check in with this person at the other end of my leash."

If we expect attention from our dogs, we better darn well give it, too. Are you attending to your dog, giving him feedback for good behavior, talking to him in a positive way? Remember your dog didn't choose to go to the show, you did. Make it a fun experience! Make sure they know this is something we do together - communicate with them!

I have a very vivid memory of one of the first dog shows I attended. It was in Chicago. I wasn't showing, just an observer. In fact, I knew nothing about dog shows. I owned my first Stafford, Rumble, but he was not a show dog, and I left him at home. I lived in Iowa at the time and there weren't many Staffordshire Bull Terriers in the area. I wanted to see other Staffords. I saw a dog/handler team who made such a strong impression on me - the dog almost never took his eyes off of his handler. While standing in the ring, he was attentive and had a lovely expression and gentleness that he watched his owner with. The handler was equally attentive to her dog and you could see the strong relationships between them. I found out later that the handler was Karen Dawes!

### Training incompatible behaviors

Teach your dog some fun tricks and behaviors that can be used as warm-up's in and around the ring. These are NOT the same as obedience cues and behaviors. Those can be boring or repetitious for your dog, and some handlers do not like to teach show dogs sit and down (we'll address that in another article!). Some examples of fun warm-up's are: hand touch/target, spin, back up, take a bow, and stretch. I call these 'doodles' and I do them with my dog while I'm waiting to go into the ring at sports competitions. They are good physical and mental warm-up's for the dog and keep my dog focused on me, not what's going on around him/her.

### Preparation

Take some classes. Find a club or training school around you that not only offers show handling but other activities you can do with your dog. The more time you spend building a relationship with your dog through activities, the better your overall teamwork will be. It is unfair to you and the dog - and the judge! - to go into the ring unprepared. Take handling class. Your dog needs to get used to the routine, the 'picture' of a dog show, 'to learn the skills necessary etc. Practicing at home is great but your dog needs to learn to work around distractions and to get use to the visual picture - other dogs in a line-up, ring gates, a judge, etc. If you are new to any type of dog sport, it's especially important to prepare for that event. In addition to taking classes, you may want to go and observe a few shows or competitions so you know what to expect

and what is expected of you. Fun matches are also a GREAT way to practice and learn more!

Find a mentor within your local or national breed club to help you!

### Look the part

If you are spending the money to enter a show and you want to give yourself every advantage, dress for it. You and your dog should look like a team. Present the total package by making sure both you and your dog look great. Some people will argue that the judge should only be judging the dog and not looking at the handler. I couldn't disagree more - it's a team sport. When you dress nicely and present your well-groomed, well trained dog, it says you take this seriously AND that you're a TEAM. You're communicating that to your dog as well when you take the show ring seriously. Be proud of yourself and what you bring into the ring! You'll communicate that down the leash and your positive attitude does in fact, affect your dog's behavior.

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## 2016 Classic Critiques

### Martin Grimwood - NESBTC Friday 30<sup>th</sup> September 2016

May I first please thank the Jodie and the committee for offering me the chance to come over and judge your supported show at Suffolk County Kennel Club and for your friendly hospitality throughout my stay there. I thoroughly enjoyed the show and the pleasant company. Thank you Paul Wickel for picking us up at the airport and getting us to the hotel, and providing me with a coat for that rain. Many thanks to John Cocchiola for his hospitality and giving myself and John a taste of the flavours of New York along with Jason Nicoli. Special thanks reserved for those who gave me a chance to judge their dogs, and seemingly accept my decisions in a very sporting manner, it was my pleasure. I thought there were more dogs than bitches at my idea of the higher levels of the standard throughout this show and below is my account. It is a shame that the Champions are not split by sex and placed, I think this would enhance the day. So, I am afraid that I did not think to comment on my select winners that were Monestina's Ch Itchboren Seriously Cool and Bryant and Carter's Ch Seenworstaff Lucky Me. I should have done, please accept my apologies. Thank you.



#### Puppy dog 6 to 9 months

1st Keech's Samross American Dream: Black brindle baby with a typical headshape, wide open nostrils, dark eyes and reasonably neat ears. His impressive bite is housed in a muzzle that balances to his skull head which in turn balances to body. Correct depth of stop and muzzle that is correlation to the depth of skull. Good bite, with pinkish shears pre molars, straight in the forequarters exhibiting ample bone and up on his pasterns. He has a good spring of rib coming on, that will develop further, good rear angulations with decent body definition, still a puppy as he should be, he moved well for his age, very promising.

#### Puppy dog 9 to 12 months

1st Johnson and Cromwell's Ballyhoo Wake Up: Alert, topline brindle with white, fit dog for his age with a head that balances to body. Excellent bite, good expression, would prefer his lips to be a shade tighter, dark eyes, just a small shade too much definition in stop for my ideal, reasonably neat well placed ears. He has good width across his chest with correct lift and width between his forequarters. Straight and strong forequarters were he is well off for bone, well up on his pasterns and showing a good length of upper arm. He has a good spring of rib, and his neck flows reasonably well into his withers and on into his level topline. Tight close coat, good rear angulations, impressive level of fitness and he moved well maintaining his topline.

2nd Addison and Reitner's Thunderheads One Vision: Red dog with decent expression whose head balances to body, purposeful length to his muzzle that houses a good bite, wide open nostrils. He has dark eyes and neat ears and stands on well boned forequarters whose feet turn out correctly at pastern. His neck flowed reasonably well into withers but dips thereafter. He has a good spring of rib and good angulations get his feet correctly positioned, under vertical pasterns starting to muscle up but was eclipsed in this facet by one. Moved ok but that dip is visible on the moving profile.

#### Dog 12 to 18 months

1st O'Sullivan and Caswell's Wavemaker Atlantica: Standard Strong headed brindle dog, a modern head with too much stop in this facet for my liking. Dark eye neat well placed ears, would prefer a tad more length to his muzzle and a cleaner tighter foreface and set on of muzzle. Good depth to his rear skull straight and strong in the forequarters with plenty of bone and his feet correctly turn out slightly at pasterns. He has a good spring of rib and his neck flowed well into withers and topline. Good angulations to his rear give him well positioned feet with vertical pasterns and good columns of support, gaskin starting to develop and he moved well.



## 2016 Classic Critiques

### [Martin Grimwood - NESBTC Friday 30<sup>th</sup> September 2016 Continued...](#)

#### **Bred By Exhibitor**

1st Hallocks Camalots Man of La Manchia: Topsize plus dog with a topsize head. Reasonable expression, would prefer tighter cleaner lips, dark eyes and reasonably neat ears, good bite with a correct stop, well developed cheek bumps and filling under the eye. He stands on strong quarters and is well up on his pasterns, neck flows well into withers and on into his topline. Good spring of rib and being light in the loin gives a pleasing body definition. Correct unexaggerated rear angulation with vertical hocks. Good levels of fitness, balanced with an image of being active and agile... moved ok, wouldn't lift his nose from the grass today.

#### **American bred dog**

1st Hall's and Craig's Ciera Homebrewed Low Rider: Standard sized black brindle with good muzzle proportions to skull, round eyes, neat ears, help his expression. He has a decent bite with wide open nostrils, a strong underjaw and is reasonably tight in the lip. Stands foresquare, has ample good bone in his straight forequarters and his feet turn out very slightly at pastern. Good shoulder placement and his neck flows well through his withers. He has a reasonably tight coat, his good rear angulations give a good bend of stifle and vertical pasterns. Acceptable musculature shown all over with decent second thigh development, reasonably light in the loin and acceptably good level of fitness, more would enhance body definition and the dog as a whole, moved well.

2nd Aliaga's Tank: Traditionally headed lighter Brindle and white with a purposeful muzzle that was clean in the lip, a nose with wide open nostrils. He has a reasonably dark eye for his colouring but his ears will never be his fortune. He has a good depth to his skull and proportional muzzle. Plenty of strong bone in his forequarters with feet turning out slightly at the pastern. He shows a good width to his chest, decent spring of rib and being reasonably light in the loin. Good rear angulation provides vertical pasterns and good columns of support. Decent levels of fitness but more would possibly enhance body definition. His second thigh is apparent and he moved reasonably well. Tends to lean back when shown.

#### **Open Dog**

1st Roseman and Craig's Ciera Homebrewed Dirty Side Down: An absolutely cracking topsize black brindle whose head balances well to a lithe athletic body, an image portraying the ability of being active and agile. Excellent typical expression with dark eyes and neat well placed ears. He has wide open nostrils and a good bite housed in a purposeful appearing muzzle shown by good length and depth that correlates in proportion to his backskull. A non exaggerated stop with correct head planes. His neck flowed smoothly into his withers and on into his correct topline. Good bone in his forequarters and up on well angulated pasterns, He has a good spring of rib with very commendable body definition helped by being light in the loin. His coat was tight close and shining, good rear angulations provide excellent columns of support and he moved as they should. **Winners Dog, Best of Winners, Best Owner Handled and Best of Breed**, I am pleased to say he went on to be best owner handled terrier and Group 1..... a really nice dog and the best of him is probably still to come.

2nd Nicolai's The Alchemist: Standard and typical Black brindle that was more of a compact package than the dog that beat him. His head balances to body with a good expression enhanced by dark eyes and neat well placed ears. Good length to his muzzle, good spring of rib that is carried back, tucks well up well, appears to carry a shade more amount of bone in the quarters than 1, as with 1 he has a gleaming coat well muscled rear quarters reasonably light in the loin. Brisket to elbow and a correct topline standing which he maintained on the move good rear angulation giving straight vertical pasterns and strong columns of support. A nice dog and **Reserve winners dog**.

3rd Cromwell's Mat-Staff Howling Commando

4th Andreassen and Hemstock's Jolihem Himself

#### **Veteran Dog**

1st Tice's Ch Oakdell Armstrongs Shock and Awe. Well put together Topsized and more dog with a good skull, a typical traditional head with good length and depth to his muzzle with no wrinkling whatsoever at the set on, which, with the correct stop, is in proportion to his backskull. Reasonably tight in the lip with a strong underjaw wide open nostrils. Dark eyes and well placed neat well placed ears. Stands on very strong forequarters, his neck flowed smoothly through withers and on into his topline. Brisket to elbow with a great spring of rib correct topline stood and moving. Well-developed hams good levels of fitness Excellent columns of support with good rear angulation. Still fitting his coat and he moved well.

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## 2016 Classic Critiques

### [Martin Grimwood - NESBTC Friday 30<sup>th</sup> September 2016 Continued...](#)

#### Puppy bitch 6 to 9 months

1st Glidden`s Coalminer`s Lady Ann Dancing with Destiny: A fawn bitch whose ears at this point appear not to be her fortune. Her skull balances to body and her muzzle shows length and depth, decent stop and reasonably dark eyes. Straight with ample bone in the forequarters with her feet turning out slightly and correctly at the pastern. Her neck flows reasonably well into topline with rearquarters starting to develop, she is promising a decent spring of rib and stood with vertical rear pasterns. She cycled slightly at the rear on the move but she is still very much the baby

#### Puppy bitch 9 to 12 months

1st Heller`s Moonstruck Serendipity: Standard Red bitch with white markings. Strong muzzle showing good depth at set on with round eyes with neat ears well placed. Would prefer tighter lips and less wrinkling around the head. Good depth to the rearskull. Straight and strong in the forequarters, with her feet turning out slightly at the pastern. She shows good width and lift when viewed from the front and a good spring of rib from above. Decent rearquarters for her age, she moved well enough, maintaining a level topline.

#### Bitch 12 to 18 months

1st Wickel`s Sycamore`s Miss Maudie at Becourli: Black brindle bitch standard whose head balances to body. Her head has far too much definition in the stop for my liking. Dark round well placed eyes, just enough length to her muzzle, good depth to her rear skull. Reasonably neat ears. Straight in the forequarters with ample bone. She has a decent spring of rib and acceptable tuck up, light enough in the loin. Neck flows into withers but dips thereafter and showed up on the move, this dip often accompanies a rear cycling movement which she also showed on the move in profile.

#### Bitch bred by exhibitor

1st Urbanski and Zagraniczny`s Windycity Daphne: Standard and typical black brindle bitch with a flash of white. Muscular with an appearance of being strong active and agile. Her head is in balance to her body and shows a strong and purposeful muzzle with a depth that is in proportion to her back skull. Good expression with dark well placed eyes although her ears may be a shade neater. She is straight and strong in the forequarters, up on well angulated pasterns, a good spring of rib that she carries back and shows good levels of fitness. This in turn gives her very good body definition helped when viewed from above by being light in the loin and showing impressive tuck up in profile. Well muscled hindquarters and she moved smoothly and efficiently. **Winners Bitch, Best bitch and Best Opposite Sex**

2nd Darwish`s Damarhoff`s While my Guitar Gently Weeps: Red bitch with good expression, correct amount of stop, dark well placed eyes. Good skull proportions, straight and strong in the forequarters showing strong bone, decent spring of rib. Level topline and good rear angulation get her feet positioned correctly to give good columns of support, moved well enough.

#### Open Bitches

Cromwell`s Dynastaff Always and Never: A very typical black brindle bitch whose head balances to body, round dark well placed eyes and reasonably neat ears help provide her typical expression. Wide open nostrils at the end of muzzle of good depth that housed a good bite, lips tight and clean as was the rest of her foreface. She has good head proportions, her muzzle balances to her skull and is proportionate. She is straight and strong in the forequarters and her neck flowed well into shoulders and on into her topline. She exhibits a good spring of rib and acceptable levels of fitness, more would enhance for me and give better body definition. But that might not be what was wanted the majority of the time and as she is, is probably a good balance. Vertical pasterns provided good columns of support and this bitch moved very well maintaining her good form. One of the very best bitches on display here today. She pushed winners bitch within a whisker. **Reserve winners bitch.**

**Martin Grimwood ( Stormstaff )**



## 2016 Classic Critiques

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A big thank you to the officers and committee and to the Exhibitors who gave me such a super entry. I must mention John Cocchiola for his hospitality and also Jason Nicolai for giving us a wonderful time site seeing.

#### Puppy dog 6 to 9 Months

1st SAMROSS AMERICAN DREAM, D/B: Pup still very raw, he's well grown with a balanced head, nice bite, clean lip, straight front and good feet. Well up on his pasterns, his rib seems to be developing nicely, tight coat, moved very well sound youngster.

#### Puppy Dog 9 to 12 Months

1st THUNDERHEADS ONE VISION, R: Standard size with a broad skull, dark correct shape eye, good bite, neat ear. Good length of neck well off for bone. Feet could be a little tighter, dips behind the shoulder which affects his topline, tail carried correctly. Good rear quarters.

2ND, BALLYHOO WAKE UP, B: Up to size for age, keen expression good bite, short stop with a dark eye, nice drop of brisket, straight front with round bone, pleasing body shape, good moving dog with a level topline.

#### Dog 12 to 18 Months

1st WAVEMAKER ATLANTICA, B: Of standard size, strong head correct bite, thin neat ear, well muscled neck and tidy shoulders, tight feet that just turn out a touch, nice rib and good tuck to loin, enough bend of stifle, he moved true both ways.

#### Open Dog

1st CIERA HOME BREW DIRTY SIDE DOWN D/B: The star of the day. Upto size D/B, with a keen expression nothing overdone in head proportion, perfect bite with large teeth, muzzle of correct length and width, clean front with elbows tucked in nicely, best of feet, neck blends into his withers, enough rib, level topline stacked and on the move. His rear angulation is well muscled with a nice bend of stifle he covered the ground with ease carrying his tail correctly. This dog couldn't stand wrong. **Winners Dog, Best of Winners, Best Owner Handled and Best of Breed** Stunning dog with time on his side.

2nd THE ALCHEMIST, D/B: Standard dog, who stands four square with a pleasing outline, very alert expression, broad skull with a dark eye and thin well placed ear, super bite, straight front of good width and depth of brisket, compact body with tight coat, level topline, well muscled hams, with nice tuck to loin, moved so well when settled. In top class condition as I would expect from this kennel. Smart dog, **Reserve Winners Dog**





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#### **Puppy Bitch 9 to 12 Months**

1st MOONSTRUCK SERENDIPITY,R/W: Eye catching R/W Pup with excellent pigment, darkest of eye, neat ear, correct bite with clean lip, good bone to correct front assembly. Well padded feet, her body balances her height, thin coat with nice rib, rear quarters coming nicely for age, move steadily with purpose.

#### **Puppy Bitch 12 to 18 Months**

1st SYCAMORES MAUDIE AT BECOURT,D/B: Liked the size of this bitch, she's strong headed with the darkest of eye, ear a little untidy, straight front with round bone, OK for rib, slight dip behind the withers losing topline on the move. Shown in excellent condition with a tight gleaming coat, good drive from rear.

#### **Bred By Exhibitor Bitch**

1st WINDYCITY DAPHINE,D/B: Who shows a lovely blend of bull and terrier, looking very fit as she entered the ring, Feminine head with enough width to skull, ample length of muzzle. Correct bite, dark eye of correct shape, would like her ears a little neater but does not alter her feminine expression, clean front with enough bone, looks good in profile, best of rear quarters, her body is hard to the touch moved with drive and confidence. **Winners Bitch**

2nd DAMARHOFFS WHILE MY GUITAR GENTLEY WEEPS, R: Compact with correct bite, nice eye shape, front a little narrow, good bone and feet, OK for rib, hard body condition. Good angulation to well-muscled rear, moved OK when settled.

#### **Open Bitch**

1st DYNASTAFF ALWAYS AND NEVER RATN, D/B. Wicked expression. Lovely dark eye. Good width of muzzle and enough length, super bite with clean lips, good front assembly on the best of feet, neck of good length with well-placed shoulders, hard body condition, well-muscled rear quarters, good tail carriage moved out well. Reserve Winners Bitch

#### **B.O.B. Competition**

CH.SEENWORSTAFF LUCKY ME, R: Lots to like with this impressive red, good for size and very well balanced. Stood out in this strong class with her gleaming coat and muscle tone. Not disappointed when I went over her. Large teeth, canine's well past the gum, good width to underjaw, dark eye and well placed ear. Clean well boned front. Best of Opposite Sex

**John Scanlan (Pantycelyn)**



## Chasing the plastic bunny! By Deb Roseman

We don't always like when our dogs run after things that move, especially when it is live prey that they are after. If and when they catch it most likely they have just hunted down and killed their next meal. Wouldn't it be great if there was a way to unleash our dogs' natural prey drive in a somewhat safe manner with no harm to a real life bunny?

In the world of sighthounds, lure coursing tests and trials exist in order to help sighthound breeders measure their dogs' coursing instincts. A plastic bag lure is used on a course of 600 – 800 yards in an open field. But these events are not only about chasing the "plastic bunny". These dogs are scored based on their exhibition of Overall Ability, Follow, Speed, Agility, and Endurance. There are several levels of competition for the dogs to go through from Junior Courser to Field Championship which is a Prefix title with the AKC.

If you have never seen a true lure coursing event, open to Sighthounds only, I truly encourage you to find a trial and GO. The magnificent beauty of seeing these animals do what they were bred to do is simply captivating. You can check out the AKC website for events in your area.

The really cool thing about the AKC running these events is that they realized that ALL dogs want to have the opportunity to chase the plastic bunny! They may not have been bred for the chase specifically, but they can certainly have fun with it. Since lure coursing events are only open to specific sighthound breeds, the AKC developed the CAT and FAST CAT programs open



to ALL dogs. CAT stands for "Coursing Ability Test". The CAT simulates the same test that is used for the sighthounds with some modifications. The course should be as close to 600 yards as possible, with a few turns, and no turns will be more acute than 90 degrees. The course should be non-sighthound friendly and the safety of non-sighthound breeds is of utmost importance. This is because many of the dogs running the CAT will NOT have the same agility of a true sighthound. Some smaller dogs and brachycephalic dogs will run a course that is 300 yards long. There are also veteran divisions which will reduce the yardage even further. Staffords are expected to run 600 yards unless they fall within the veteran program.

The CAT event is a pass fail event. Your dog is judged on its pursuit of the lure and its enthusiasm in chasing the lure. Your dog must complete the course within a given amount of time without interruption. There are several levels of titles based on number of passes that you obtain. The difficulty of the course does not change per level. All dogs run the same course.

More recently the AKC has started to offer FAST CAT events. Similar to lure coursing and CAT, the dog will be chasing a "plastic bunny" or a squawk box. Not sure what a squawk box is? Well, if you want to get your dog jazzed up, this is just the thing! It's a large brown fuzzy disk that gets dragged along the ground for the duration of the 100 yards and it squeaks and squawks and bounces the entire time! The FAST CAT differs from the CAT in that the dog is running a straight line for 100 yards and their time is used to calculate their speed in miles per hour. Since dogs of different sizes are of course expected to run at different speeds, there is a handicap system in order to attempt to keep the playing field level. You gain titles in FAST CAT by using your MPH x handicap (if applicable) to calculate points. Most Staffords will fall within the 1.5 handicap as it applies to dogs between 12" and 18" tall. There are several title levels as you rack up your points.





## Chasing the plastic bunny! Continued.....

Not only can you gain FAST CAT titles, but the AKC also keeps track of the MPH for each dog and releases an annual TOP 20 for each breed. As of the writing of this article, the current fastest Stafford for 2017 is Neverland Wreck it Ralph BCAT (dog) with a speed of 25.28 MPH handled by Junior handler Natalie Rice. Currently in second place is CH Elivid's Shaken Not Stirred CD BN RN CAA CGC (bitch) with a speed of 24.12 MPH handled by Deb Roseman. These are actual speeds! No handicap applied!

SOUND LIKE FUN??? Want to try it??? WAIT! First there are a few things for you to consider...

Of utmost importance is that you are sure your dog is fit to run. Expect that your dog's natural instinct to chase is going to kick in, and it is going to chase HARD. This is a hard aerobic workout for your dog and he/she must be fit enough to endure it. Even the FAST CAT which could be as fast as 8 seconds of running is tough on your dog. They are running full speed ahead for the length of a football field!

Understand the rules! Go to the AKC website and download your own copy of the rules and read them. They are short and easy to understand and it will make your whole experience that much easier when you attend your first event.





## Chasing the plastic bunny! Continued.....



Attending your event? Make sure you are on time and ready to run for your turn. Be sure your dog has had appropriate opportunity to relieve itself BEFORE you step to the line. Be sure your dog has had an appropriate warm up and is not stepping to the line cold. This could be as simple as keeping your dog moving for several minutes as you await your turn. After your dog has run the course, take ample time to walk your dog around and let them gradually cool down. Bring their heart rate back to an appropriate level slowly.

Be sure you have a FABULOUS recall. These events are often held in a wide open field and it is expected at the end of your run that you will be able to quickly capture your dog.

I have often told people that the CAT is the “most fun I’ve ever had just standing in the middle of a field watching my dog”. And now that I’ve also experienced FAST CAT I can’t even begin to express how much joy I get out of seeing the pure joy on my bitch’s face after she gets to chase her “bunny” (and well, even though it’s plastic she still attempts to eat it).



It was in 1985 that the idea of setting up a permanent Staffordshire Bull Terrier museum in the Heart of the Black Country was discussed but did not materialise. When Robert Evans was elected to the Council in 1996, he decided to pick up the idea. A group was formed and Robert took the role of Secretary and over the subsequent years, a number of temporary exhibitions were staged with the Group finally achieving Charity Status in 2005.

The Group acquired premises from the local Council to open a Centre in the Old Post Office in Wednesbury in March 2009 which became the first Centre in Britain dedicated to the Breed. Unfortunately in 2014 the Group were informed the building was needed for other activities so the Centre closed and the artefacts put into storage. In 2015 Sandwell Council offered the group a 25 year lease for premises in Albert Street, Wednesbury and after extensive renovation work by volunteer's, the new Centre officially opened on 20th February 2016.

### **Joe Mallen Biscuit Tin Treasure**

As many people may be aware in February 2017 we had one of the greatest finds in Staffordshire Bull Terrier present day history. Joe Mallens personnel paperwork items for from his birth certificate to all the paperwork for his Staffordshire Bull Terriers. There was a magnificent find in February 2017 . A normal looking biscuit tin full of old documents that no one new about. That would hold some of the greatest history to our breed. So begins the story of the Joe Mallen Biscuit Tin Treasure . The Joe Mallen Biscuit Tin Treasure will be on display soon.





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## **PRESERVE OUR HERITAGE**

The museum is dedicated to promoting and championing the history of the Black Country's favourite breed and includes a detailed insight into the breed and its origins. The exhibition will display old photographs, paintings, posters, documents, videos and Stafford memorabilia donated by Stafford enthusiasts and Clubs.

So don't forget, if you want to learn more about our wonderful Breed you are more than welcome to come along.

The Centre is open every 2nd and 4th Saturday in the month from 11.00am till 3.00pm and arrangements can be made for groups to visit the centre outside these hours by appointment.

The exhibition contains historical photos, artwork, sculptures, trophies, pottery, books and other items not just local to the Black Country but from Australia to the Czech Republic even items from our very own NESBTC. There is also a collection of 145 copies of The Stafford magazine dating back to the 1940s. The exhibition is open most Saturdays and at other times by appointment, so if you're planning a trip to the UK why not spend an hour or two looking around this exciting exhibition and see the past come to life. Find out how the centuries have developed the dog and the struggle to change a way of life from a fighting dog to a companion and show dog.

Many of you may not be aware for example that the 'Staffie' has a long and close association with the Black Country, even though the Kennel Club of Great Britain did not even formally recognise the breed in its own right until as late as 1935!

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1st Place 9-12 month - Judge: Julie King AUST "Frankie"

1st Place 9-12 month - Judge: Shaun Stone UK "Abdullah"

Stafford Bull Terrier Royalty Match

1st Place 9-12 month A awarded the Little Broom Award

- Judge: Craig Terry UK "Jacobson"

April 1st 2017 SB/TCA National Specialty.

1st Place 9-12 Puppy Sweepstakes - Judge: Karen Beverly AUST "Peppermint"

1st Place 9-12 month & Best Puppy - Judge: Pete Hopwood UK "Abdullah"

June 16th 2017 Chicago

Best In Sweepstakes - Judge: Loretta Rae Craig USA "Cora"

WINNERS 009 for a 4 Point Major - Judge: Kimberly Washington USA "Chinier"

June 17th 2017 SB/TCA Chicago Area 1 Regional Specialty.

Best In Sweeps - Judge: Brian Speed UK "Sperdykoff"

BEST OF WINNERS for a 5 Point Major - Judge: Eev Harrison UK "Tawdler"

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