

# THE SENTINEL

| The Sealyham Terrier Club of Canada | spring 2020



## From the Editor

Jadine Solomon

Hi everyone, I would like to thank all those that have sent me things for the newsletter

I depend on the membership for articles, idea , pictures and comments to continue to make this an informative and interesting read.

Id like to hear from everyone how they were first introduced to our unique and amazing breed.

**message me through the STCC facebook page**

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## Presidents Message Heather EM

Unfortunately due to the Covid 19 Pandemic we have had to postpone our National Specialty until 2021. Hopefully we will be able to continue the plans for the same location/show next year. Thank you to Kathey for all your hard work planning the events.

**WE MISS YOU**, to all the 2019 members that have not renewed their 2020 memberships. It takes members to make this a strong club. I encourage you all to support our association by inviting all the sealy owners that you know to join our group. We are always in need of ideas, and suggestions to continue make this organization a beneficial club for all. Florence has been working hard on getting the club ready to take e-transfers, making joining easier. Hopefully that will be up and running soon!

The goal of the STCC is to promote our breed, act as advocates for, and preserve our heritage breed. We also want to be a resource for Sealy owners and a safe place to share ideas, thoughts and concerns regarding our dogs.

## Impressions of Crufts

A friend happened to mention to me one day when we were having lunch together last year that going to Crufts was an item on her bucket list. I don't really have a bucket list and had attended Crufts a few years ago with Florence Yunik but I was due for a vacation and had missed a planned one in 2019 with the funds still burning a hole in my bank account so I suggested we go together in 2020.

Planning was done, hotels and flights were booked, and



## Miss Emma of Salt Creek

As a Canadian, it was fun and exciting to watch a Canadian owned dog compete at the prestigious Westminster Kennel Club Dog Show.

A few years ago we go to watch Canadian Lisa Jowett from (Avalonis Kennel in Calgary) Alberta, with her beautiful dog Boreas compete and win the breed at Westminster.



It is such a great honour (or so I am told) to make it to a show such as Westminster or Crufts so when you see a dog there, you know that a lot of hard work and determination has gone in to the breeding and showing of that dog.

we set off in early March to make our way to Birmingham. We Landed at Gatwick Airport resting overnight before setting off via the Gatwick express to London to catch the train to Birmingham.

Terriers were not to be judged until the Sunday, so we spent Thursday checking out the vendors and other activities that were going on. Five halls full of Judging rings, booths with all manner of dog related goods, rings with demonstrations of dog abilities, and displays of different dog breeds.

The one thing that I really wanted to do was meet one of my favourite Facebook friends; Sealyham Eddie, a self declared ambassador of the breed. He was to be available in the 'meet the breed' area. After some time searching the hall and looking at several of the breeds on display, we found Sealy Eddie.

### Sealy Eddie Beardy Kisses

We chatted with Mr. and Mrs. E., had a few Sealy snuggles and received some Beardy kisses. All considered had a very Sealy visit with Sealy Eddie which made me feel better being away from Hitch.

We about trying to get our bearings so that on the subsequent days when there were breeds that we



wanted to watch the judging of we knew where we were needed to be. Later in the day we went to the arena where they held larger demonstrations such as the agility finals, fly ball, and the daily group judging. Thursday was

Utility group, which includes the breeds we recognize as non-sporting and the Toy Group.

Both the agility and the flyball was very exciting and amusing. That evening we discovered that we could get a better view of the group judging from watching the broadcast from our hotel room which is what we did on subsequent evenings.

Sunday, Terrier day came. By this time, I had the lay of the land, knew where the terriers were being judged and which ring the Sealys would be in. With my daily catalogue in hand I went to the ring secured a good viewing seat in the front row and settled in.

Sealys were in ring 1 in hall 1 after the Skye terriers and the Cesky terriers. 42 Skye terriers and 34 Cesky terriers came 32 Sealyham terriers. The Skyes did not start till 10 AM so I

saved my seat and did a little shopping (more browsing than shopping). I had already realized that the UK Kennel Club structured their classes differently than I was used to and had did the climb to championship in a unfamiliar route. I used the Cesky terriers as a test to try to mark my catalogue to be able to report back as to what happened.

However I realized that I would not be able to watch the dogs if I was trying to catch the armband # on the handlers and simultaneously be trying to sort out what class was in and who did what so I gave up in my attempt and cheated. The ring steward was kind enough to let me take a photo of the sealy stewards' sheet. Interestingly the one thing that I did find in the judging was that there they include the veterans class as a regular class as opposed to how we do it as a exhibit only class. Thus the breed winner may be a veteran dog or bitch.

**STEWARDS SHEET**

**Crufts**

Date 8<sup>th</sup> March 2020  
Start Time 4:00 Finish Time 16:15

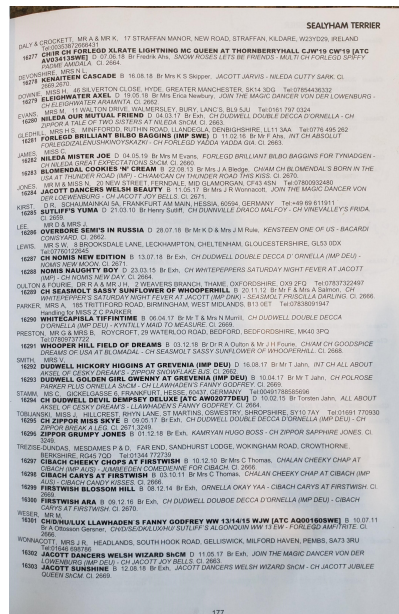
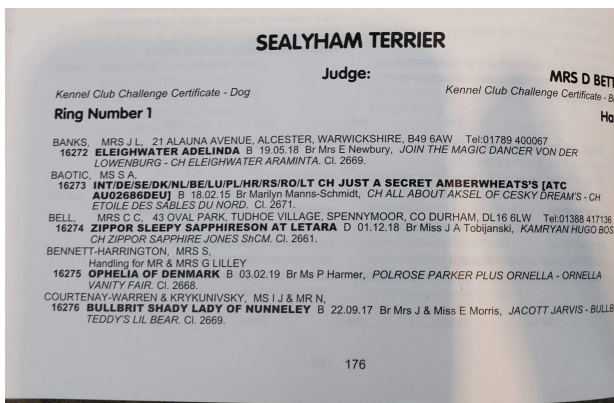
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P 2660	1		1	16292						
J 2661	1		1	16274						
P 2662	3	3		16279	16292	16286				
L 2663	3	3		16302	16280	16281				
P 2664	3	3		16277	16294					16288
O 2665	3	3								
V 2666	4	4		16289	16298	16297				16301
P 2667										
J 2668	2	2		16275	16291					
P 2669	7	7		16303	16276	16278	16299	16290		16272, 16293
L 2670	3	2	1	16300	16283	16278				
O 2671	4	4		16287	16295	16273	16284			
O 2672										

Best Dog 16274 Best Bitch 16297 Best of Breed 16274  
 Reserve Best Dog 16277 Reserve Best Bitch 16295 Best Puppy in Breed 16282

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 for your professionalism and the loving care you gave Emma  
 on this incredible journey you shared

AM GCH & CAN GCH GOODSPICE MISS EMMA OF SALTCREEK  
 Owner: Barry Brabant & Peter Zilotto Breeder: Ann Rose Handled By: Hailey Griffith

# Unfortunately due to the COVID 19 pandemic, the STCC specialty for 2020 has been cancelled

## Sealyham Terrier Club of Canada



### National Specialty - Saturday, June 6, 2020

Held in conjunction with the Erie Shores Kennel Club

Four all breed shows:                      Friday, June 5, 2020  
   Saturday, June 6, 2020  
   Sunday, June 7, 2020  
   Monday, June 8, 2020

Also, Terrier Breeders Association Show, Sunday, June 7, 2020

(Show information will be available at [Canuckdogs.ca](http://Canuckdogs.ca))

### Please join us for a fun weekend!

Show location: Caledonia Fair Grounds, 151 Caithness St. East, Caledonia, Ontario

Distance from:                      Buffalo, NY = 1 hr 30 min  
   Detroit, MI = 2 hr 45 min  
   Toronto Pearson Airport = 1 hr

Hotel Accommodations:              Comfort Inn, 58 King George Rd, Brantford, Ontario.  
   Phone: 1-519-753-3100

For group rate, please quote STCC/KatheyHolroyd

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Regular cleaning of the ear canal is an important and necessary part of regular grooming to remove excess debris and ear wax. There are many safe and easy to use products on the market that you may buy through your local pet store or veterinary clinic.

As dog owners you should be inspecting your dog's ears weekly to make sure they are healthy and clean. It is important to regularly handle the dogs ears so you become familiar with how the ear canals look and smell they by making it easier to notice an irregularity.

Regular ear examinations also help to train the dog to accept ear exams as a part of life. This way if an ear infection does happen, it will be easier to treat and not as traumatic for the pet.

If your dogs ears are excessively red, dirty, smelly, painful, or if the dog is scratching at their ears or rubbing them, or twitching and shaking their head, you should contact your veterinarian for diagnosis and treatment.

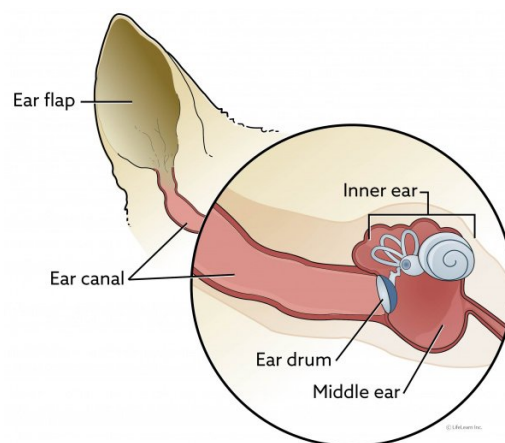
To effectively clean your dog's ears you pour a small amount of ear clean into the canal. While holding the ear flap, you gently massage the base of the ear. Using a cotton pad wipe out the excess ear cleaner and debris. Your dog will shake its head to help remove the solution. If you dogs ears are not excessively dirty, you may choose to clean them with a cotton pad drenched in ear cleaner and follow up with a dry cotton pad to remove the excess.

## OTITIS EXTERNA:

***Otitis Externa is defined as inflammation of the external ear canal***

Occasionally after a professional grooming some pets seem to 'develop' ear infections. Some pets will excessively rub or scratch at their ears and/or shake their heads. The pets that commonly exhibit these symptoms are the ones that came into the grooming shop with early signs of Otitis Externa or pets that are predisposed to overgrowth of bacteria or yeast in their ear canals.

During the grooming procedure, your pets ears were thoroughly cleaned out and (for breeds that require it) some hairs plucked from the ear canal. Some irritation from plucking the ear hair out or cleaning the ears may occur; perpetuating the onset of a



bacterial overgrowth and/or leading to the 'itch and scratch' cycle.

It is very important that you not allow your sealy to excessively scratch or rub at his/



her ears, as this will cause damage to the sensitive skin of the outer ear canal. Also beware of allowing the dogs to dig their nails into the ear canal to scratch and damage the sensitive ear canal.

## PRIMARY CAUSES OF OTITIS

### EXTERNA:

- ◆ Parasites - such as earmites, mange or ticks
- ◆ Allergies - which is the most common cause of otitis externa in dogs. Allergies include: contact allergies, flea allergy dermatitis and atopy, the allergic disease caused by pollen and mold, or food allergy (most common of the allergies!)
- ◆ Foreign Bodies - such as plant material or seeds (stickers from grasses or weeds like fox tails)
- ◆ Other Dermatologic disease - any dermatologic disease that effects the ear flaps can lead to inflammation in the external ear canal. Auto-immune diseases can cause severe scaling, crusting, and ulceration of the pinna (ear flaps) and external ear canal.
- ◆ Glandular disorders and viral diseases
- ◆ High levels of yeast or bacteria.

## To Pluck or not to Pluck, that is the question.

There has been a lot of debate as to whether dogs require ear plucking. Many Veterinarians and many groomers have differing opinions, so I will leave that decision up to you as the dog owner.

If you do choose to pluck your dog's ears, please only pluck a few hairs at a time and do it on a regular basis. If you pluck a lot of hair out at one time you can cause irritation to the skin of the ear canal that can lead to itchy scratch cycle etc.

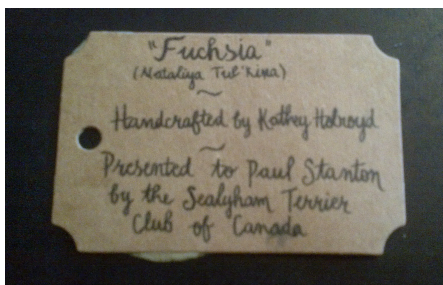


Dear STCC members,

unfortunately due to the Covid19 situation the Erie Shores Kennel Club has had to cancel their show this June so therefore our National Specialty is also cancelled for this year. Our plan is to have the Specialty next year at the same venue and we will plan for a successful and fun event.

In late January I started a cross-stitch project to present to Mr. Paul Stanton who was to be our Judge at the Specialty as a Thank you gift. I picked a Fuchsia pattern since I knew these plants held a special place in Mr. Stanton's heart. I had already completed the cross-stitch by the time the show was cancelled and after talking to the other members of the club executive have decided to send the cross-stitch off to him on behalf of the club. I really just felt it should go to the person it was intended for. Stay safe and healthy and we will get through this.

Kathey Holroyd



# My first trip to the Westminster Kennel Club Dog Show in New York City

by Carina Roter

It all started with an image I saw on Facebook in mid January, 2020.

A beautiful Sealyham. An exquisite head. An intelligent expression.

I wrote to the owner, asking a bit about this lovely dog. ( Am.Grand Champion Afterglow's Sir Bedivere. Call name Bogart)

A dialogue ensued between myself and Pam Page, the dog's owner.

Within a few minutes I had decided I NEEDED to go to Westminster to cheer these two on.

I booked a hotel. Reserved the airplane tickets. I went online to buy tickets and they were SOLD OUT! A month in advance! I was beginning to realize what a BIG deal Westminster really was.

No matter. I was going to Westminster with or without a ticket.

New York City February 10th:

I set my alarm for 5 am. ( That is 2 am for we Vancouverites). I jumped out of bed. I was aiming to be THE FIRST person in line at the Piers. The weather was unseasonably warm. Light drizzle in mid February in New York. Unheard of. It was a short 15 minute walk from my hotel near Times Square. With each block I grew more excited.

At 7 am, I was indeed the first person at the ticket booth. I had prepared an academy award performance of pleading and begging to get a ticket. Unneeded. Thankfully, the



WKC reserves a certain amount of tickets to be purchased on site. ( They were sold out by 8 am.) I thought I had won the lottery! Even though the show would not start for another two hours most of the exhibitors were already at their benches. The souvenir shop was open for business.

The show was nowhere near starting and you could feel the energy. The carpeting was brand new. Thick. Plush. Purple and gold. I had only been to dog shows where they seemingly had just finished a rodeo before they started the dog show. I had never seen a carpet at a dog show. It made everything very quiet. Everything was very posh and hushed. It felt like Sotheby's.

The benching area was surreal. Rollers, curling irons, hair spray, hair product, blow dryers, big mirrors, small mirrors, false eyelashes, perfume. Not only were the dogs being groomed, the handlers were grooming each other! Everybody looked great sitting there in rollers, putting on make up, beautifully dressed.

The crowds started piling into the venue. The chairs around the show rings were filling up. Spectators were seasoned Westminster-ites. They claimed their seats early and then did not move all day. As much as I loved seeing the dogs, the people watching was unparalleled. The rich, the famous and the infamous.

The furs, the diamonds, the jewellery, the haute couture, the plastic surgery, the plumped up lips, the cheek filler on both men and women. My head was spinning.

I secured a ringside seat with a good view into all show rings. First up were the Poodles. When Siba ( Grand Champion Ch. Stone Run Afternoon Tea) walked in she turned everybody's head. Even if you knew zero about Poodles, you could tell this was a special dog. ( Spoiler Alert) She went on to win Best in Show.

The Terriers were up next.

At this point my reporting skills went into the toilet. I became an octopus of camera, binoculars and notepad. Nothing got noted terribly well because I was besotted with the terriers. Terriers I have not seen at a show or otherwise for years. Decades. Bedlington terriers. Skye terriers. Norwich and Norfolk terriers. A feast for the eyes.

Then came the Sealyham Terriers.

Seven of them.

I lost my mind with the beauty.

Exquisite. Elegant. Distinctive.

This is such a notable breed.  
Long square heads. Their falls  
and their full beards. Full  
furnishings. They are nothing  
short of STUNNING.

It was a blurry dream of  
movement. Reach and drive.  
Flowing furnishings. Wagging  
tails.



How was the judge going to decide? In front of him were the best of the best. Each dog so close to perfection.

The selection was made.

Number 10.

Grand Champion CH. Forlegd Steezy Hans Solo was chosen Best of Breed for Westminster 2020.

After the Sealyhams left the ring, I made my way over to where Pam Page was sitting with her breeder Lisa Inman Lee, and Bev Thompson ( Sealyham owner, enthusiast and friend of the breed). I was so happy to meet these lovely women.

From that point on time just sped up.

It was 4 or 5 pm.

We went back to the benching area to debrief and offer congratulations all around. Bogart has won an Award of Merit. The merriment was far too short as the evening events were about to start at MADISON SQUARE GARDENS.

Terrier Group judging was about to begin.

( When do the handlers eat????)

There was no time to socialize with my new friends. I literally ran to the Gardens. It brought back memories to when I saw the Roman Coliseum for the first time. Looming in the horizon. Getting bigger with every step as I got closer.

Madison Square Gardens and The Empire State Building were lit up in the official colours of the Westminster Kennel Club. Purple and gold. It was magical.

Entering Madison Square Gardens one could feel the same energy as one felt entering Pier 94, but even more so. You can feel it when you are around THE BEST.

My seat was up high up. I had a bird's eye view. The Gardens were SOLD OUT!

Seemingly all of New York was out to support the dog show.

There was no polite golf applause. This was New York, y'all. The hooting and hollering was DEAFENING!

The people around me were not dog show people. They were New Yorkers out supporting a New York event. They were wonderful.

The evening ended around 10.

A Wire Haired Fox Terrier took group.

A Welsh Terrier came second.

An Am Staff came third

A Kerry Blue came fourth.

I fell into bed around midnight. Exhausted.

Next day.

Rinse repeat.

It was a blissful blur.



Best in Show at the Gardens was SPECTACULAR. The Standard Poodle took BIS.

The judge made a moving speech thanking the owners and handlers for keeping the sport of dog showing alive. He stressed the dedication of the BREEDERS for the ethical breeding and bettering of heritage breeds.

I was in tears.

What a beautiful speech to end a wonderful event.

I have a few take aways from my time at this dog show in New York City:

The handlers, not only the dogs, are athletes!

The show ring at the Gardens looked to be the size of a soccer pitch. The handlers were running at top speed on concrete around and around and around.

And when do they eat?

My hat goes off to these handlers. This is a tough job. Someone should make a documentary following handlers. Week after week on the road and then all the work in between.

The people of New York were so warm, so friendly and so very helpful.

So many people stopped me on the street to comment on my jacket ( see the photo attached. It has dogs on it. It is 30 years old). Clerks in stores asked why I was in New York. As soon as I said why, they would come back with hilarious dog show gossip.

I have travelled the world as an international flight attendant. This week in New York was probably one of the highlights of my life.

None of this would have happened had I not been besotted by a little photo of a beautiful Sealyham named Bogie.



Note: All detailed information about the 2020 Westminster Kennel Club dog show can be found online. This article was from the enthusiastic point of view of an amateur Sealyham enthusiast.

