

## The American Toy Fox Terrier Club

SUMMER 2025

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# FOX TALES



Old Postcard of "Nip"

Postmarked 1908 Washington DC

## **Message from the Editor**

Sorry! Again, I am a little late in getting the newsletter out. There was but one advertisement in this issue, which is a shame, since we had two specialties (Okla. and Calif.) that I'm sure had some winners.

Thank you to Janet Weerts and Susan Thibodeaux for the articles submitted, and to Jennifer Baerresen, Jennifer Duffy, Wendy Howard, and Mary Bowlan for sending me your performance news. Many thanks to Cheryl Bohannan and Susan Thibodeaux for their Junior reports. Thank you to our lone advertiser and as always, to Carrie, LeeAnn and Steve for your reports. It is much appreciated!

Issue Deadlines are: Spring Issue-April 1st Summer Issue-July 1st Fall Issue-October 1st Winter Issue-January 1st

# INTRODUCING STEVE THIBODEAUX AND CLAYTON GCH AZALEA BAY'S WATCH ME FLY



(GCHG KALLMEE THE AERIALST X GCH Azalea Bay Tickled Pink Bizy Bakin Cookies)

STEVE HAS DECIDED AFTER 40 YEARS OF MARRIAGE TO SUSAN



SUSAN AND STEVE THIBODEAUX

KALLMEE – HOME OF EXCEPTIONAL DOGS SINCE 1978

COCOA, FL

## **West-Coast Junior Report**

On June 15, 2025 we participated in the local 4-H and FFA Tound Robin showmanship. Tombstones Take 'em To The Train Station (aka-Rip) was present and was handled by several children. He was the Tft example amongst Australian Shepherds, a Lab and a Sheltie.

On July 16, 3025 we participated at California State Fair junior Showmanship. He was the only Tft in a large group of border Collies, Sheltie, Poodles, and other breeds. This was the second year he has been handled by youths in the state final master showmanship.

In an additional event, the Two Cities Kennel Club participated in a community "meet and greet", celebrating Purina Days at our local Tractor Supply Store. Both Tri color and tan/wht TFts were represented by Rip and Misty. They drew a lot of attention from the public, that led to educational and informational discussions about our versatile little breed. The pups received a lot of pets and some treats from the children.

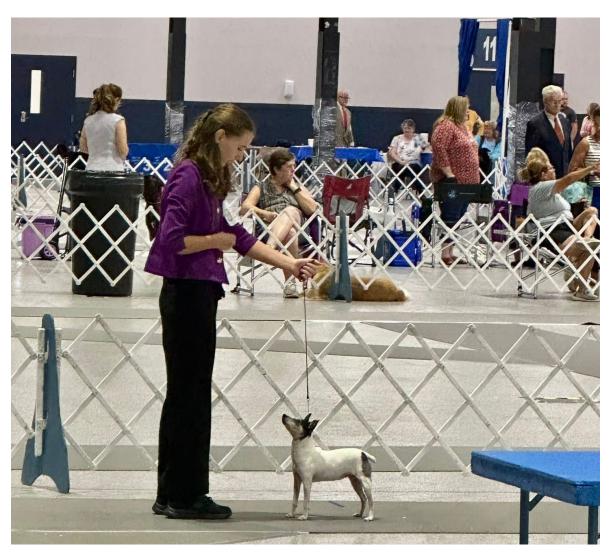


## **Southeast Toy Fox Terrier Breeders Support Our Local Juniors!**

Arlene Irby participated in the 4H Doggy Day Camp held by the 4H in north Florida and supported by the Suwanee Valley Kennel Club. To introduce the children to a variety of breeds the club members held a Meet the Breeds at the camp and Arlene took her Toy Foxes GCH Roudee-Tombstone's My Maria (Maria) and CH Roudee-Tombstone's Little Miss Honky Tonk (Cass). Additionally, to teach campers about Conformation, Arlene used Tombstone Roudee Don't Make Me Send Rip (Cowboy) and Cass. They enjoyed showing the campers how the dogs are set up and gaited for shows and helped instruct them on structure and anatomy. Tombstone TFT (Cheryl Bohannan) and Roudee TFT (Arlene Irby) also supplied some of the materials for arts and crafts which for dog camp meant making dog toys. Arlene says she had a great time with this event, and they have been requested to return next year with her wonderful Toy Fox Terriers.



Susan Thibodeaux was asked by a local 4H club leader if she would loan a dog to a 4H member who has a mixed breed dog and but wanted to try an AKC show. She loaned her Sparkles, who at twelve years old really enjoyed getting back in the ring. The young lady and Sparkles won their Novice class with competition – a great introduction to AKC dog shows.



## ATFTC DESIGNATED SPECIALTY

Somerset Hills Kennel Club, Inc.

North Branch Park 355 Milltown Rd., Bridgewater, NJ 08807

Saturday, September 6, 2025

**JUDGE: Doug Johnson** 



North Branch Cluster – 4 Days SEPT. 4-7, 2025

MB-F, Inc., Superintendent

www.infodog.com

Entries Close 12:00 NOON, WEDNESDAY, 8/20/25

## **Performance and Companion News**

## **BARNHUNT**

As the sport of Barnhunt continues to grow, the number of Toy Fox Terriers participating in it is dwindling. It is a challenging sport, even with breeds that are bred to hunt varmints! With that in mind, the following TFT's have received titles in 2025: Ahoska, owned by Paula Nowak from Winder GA Barnhunt Novice Title 04/10/2025. Fritzfox Man O'War @ Heartland, "Mani" owned by Mary Bowlan from Shawnee, Ok Barnhunt Senior A Title 03/30/2025.

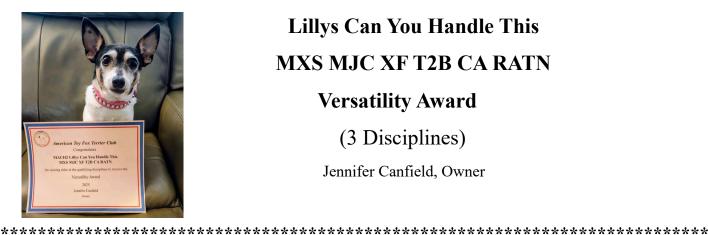
## **FASTCAT**

Here is the TFT Fast CAT Top 10 as of August 5, 2025: Rank Name Sex MPH

- 1. Ahsoka BCAT (Bitch) 25.16
- 2. Norby CA FCAT2 SWN SINE SIA CGC TKN (Dog) 24.14
- 3. CH Foxshire Bee All You Can Be BN RI NAJ NF CA FCAT5 THDN DJ CGCA STR TKP ATT FITB FTI (Bitch) 23.08
- 4. Fly'N Fox-Shire Sabre Tooth Tigerrr FCAT5 FTN (Dog) 22.95
- 5. GCHS CH Starfox Runnin' Down a Dream DCAT (Bitch) 21.74
- 6. GCH CH Foxshire Mining My Own Beeswax DCAT CGC (Dog) 21.72
- 7. Fischer Number 3 Rom A Roo DCAT (Dog) 21.13
- 8. GCHB CH Kincardene Oliver's Twist of Fate FDC FCAT6 SWN RATS CGC TKN FITB (Dog) 20.95
- 9. Icefox N Am's Your King at Modistee BCAT (Dog) 20.23
- 10. Dynasty's Watch Your Countryside Pride BCAT (Dog) 19.96

## CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL THESE TALENTED TFTS!

## ATFTC HONORS OUR MULTI-TITLED TFTs



## Lillys Can You Handle This MXS MJC XF T2B CA RATN

**Versatility Award** 

(3 Disciplines)

Jennifer Canfield, Owner



## Ch. Lillys Do Your Thing RATO CGC TKI

(4 Disciplines)

Three Cheers Award

Jennifer Canfield, Owner

## **Performance and Companion News**

Congratulations and Good Luck to all these competitors!



## The KEY is BALANCE

#### By Janet Weerts

When evaluating a dog, we all KNOW that fault-finding is considered to be a negative viewpoint, whether in actual judging or considering a dog elsewhere. "Look for the virtues" they say, and yet, fault-finding is commonplace...I believe the reason is that when something is NOT in BALANCE with the rest of the dog it stands out as if highlighted! But you may say, what if no dog in the ring is balanced or what if the only "balanced" dog has no type? Actually, the latter scenario does not exist! Balance (of its parts) will result in a typey individual in our breed (and the former possibility is a problem for the judge!)

Not yet convinced? First, we must look to our standard, counting no less than TEN references to balance, either directly stated or implied. The standard begins with "a well-balanced toy dog," followed by bone described as "always in proportion to size," further followed by actual (body) proportion as "height being approximately equal to length", etc. Some portions are actually measurable as in the aforementioned body portions as well as the skull section with "the distance from the nose to the stop is equal to the distance from the stop to the occiput" and the "length of the neck is approximately the same as that of the head." Other portions expect us to have developed a sense of symmetry/proportion, as in the structure/gait section ("movement is balanced") as well as requiring an understanding of that structure in motion. While much of the relevant knowledge can (and must) be learned, I strongly believe the numbers and measurements are not a complete substitution for an innate ability, gifted only to some, of an artist's eye.

Perhaps most importantly, breed type does not exist in a vacuum – in order to have correct breed type a dog must have the desired traits in correct amounts (in BALANCE) with each and every part of its anatomy. Too much results in a Fox Terrier resemblance while the other extreme creates a "common dog".

To illustrate, below is a picture of superb balance exemplified by my favorite homebred of long ago. While the sheltie standard, as a herding breed, differs in the desired degree of angulation (90 degrees for reach and drive) both front and rear, her balance (in all parts to the whole) should be evident: from her head (length of muzzle equal to topskull), neck length approximating (or surpassing) head length and so on...when nothing jumps out to fix.



If I were now a Toy Fox Breeder, my primary criteria would, once again, be the absolute necessity for a dog (a "keeper") to be BALANCED above all else. Food for thought, I hope ...

	New Breed Titles	Issu	ed in April 2	025
Dog Title			Date Titled	
Grand Champion	GCH CH Fritzfox Made To Fly	D	6-Apr-25	Lea Ann Boles
Grand Champion	GCH CH Greenjeans Believe In Taking A Chance In Life	D	26-Apr-25	Mary Bowlan & Catherine J Fortney & Mollie Gaffney
Grand Champion	GCH CH Tnts N Tocute Midnight Symphony	В	3-Apr-25	Patricia Schindler & Tabitha Dvorak
Grand Champion Bronze	GCHB CH Valcopy Tayfield Bizzy Body	В	19-Apr-25	Dana L Plonkey & Carrie Fletcher

New Breed Titles Issued in May 2025					
Dog Title	Dog Title Dog Name Sex Date Titled Owners Name				
Champion	CH Accolade Aspen Adventure	D	25-May-25	Mrs. Pamela Rhea Cox & Carolyn Lichty & Mr. Anthony Lee Cox	
Champion	CH Five Forks Sparks Will Fly For Gigawatts!	D	24-May-25	Joy Wescott	
Champion	CH Stormin's Dark Moon Rising	В	26-May-25	Marie C Stenberg	
Champion	CH Twinstar's Candys Sweet Lil Cupcake!	В		Susan Watson	
Champion	CH Twinstar's Stargazer @ Galaxy!	В	22-May-25	Susan Watson & Lisa Jumper	
Grand Champion	GCH CH Noteworthy Showgirl	В	26-May-25	Beth Howe	
Grand Champion	GCH CH Valcopy Tayfield Fantazztic Find	D	25-May-25	Wendy Marie Taplay	
Grand Champion	GCH CH Valcopy Tayfield Hearts On The Line At Threefie	В		Carol Anne Penwarden & Dana L Plonkey & Marie Newell	
Grand Champion Gold	GCHG CH M L Patriot's Black In Fashion BCAT	D	25-May-25	Shirley Peter & Erin Criqui & Izabelle Burg & Jennifer Burg	

New Breed Titles Issued in June 2025					
Dog Title	Dog Name	Sex	Date Titled	Owners Name	
Champion	CH Accolade Adventures Here Comes The Boom	D	22-Jun-25	Mrs. Pamela Rhea Cox & Carolyn Lichty & Mr. Anthony Lee Cox	
Champion	CH Dar-Rich Chasing Dreams And Home Runs	D	28-Jun-25	Wendy L Howard & Julie Sandoval	
Champion	CH Dar-Rich I'M Dominos Legacy	D	8-Jun-25	Darlene Teter & Shelley Erdman	
Champion	CH Fritzfox Money Can'T Buy	В	7-Jun-25	Lea Ann Boles & Tracy Boles	
Champion	CH Hunters Moon Silver Star O'Bj STR	В	19-Jun-25	Mrs. Shirley Z Thomas	
Champion	CH Kallmee A Rare Jewel	В	27-Jun-25	Susan B Thibodeaux	
Champion	CH Kallmee Born To Rule	D	26-Jun-25	Susan B Thibodeaux	
Champion	CH Valcopy Tylaur's Diamonds R A Girl's Best Friend	В	28-Jun-25	J. Chris Houchins & Michael L Ryan	
Grand Champion	GCH CH Accolade Charisma Adventure	В	20-Jun-25	Mrs. Pamela Rhea Cox & Carolyn Lichty & Mr. Anthony Lee Cox	
Grand Champion	GCH CH Azalea Bay Watch Me Fly	D	14-Jun-25	Susan B Thibodeaux & Steven P Thibodeaux	
Grand Champion	GCH CH Icefox Spice Me Up	В	21-Jun-25	Donnamarie Temple-Burgess	
Grand Champion Silver	GCHS CH Kallmee The Space Cowboy	D	13-Jun-25	Susan B Thibodeaux	
Grand Champion Gold	GCHG CH Dynasty Topfox Sugar N Spice	В	25-Jun-25	Amanda Halsey & Theresa Topham & Luke Waters & Judy Threlfall	

	New Performance Titles Issued in April 2025			
Dog Title	Dog Name	Sex	Date Titled	Owners Name
Companion Dog	Dynasty Topfox Return Of The Jedi CD BN MX MXB MXJ MJB MFB T2B3 DCAT CGC TKA	D	6-Apr-25	Mrs. Kimberly R Dillon
Beginner Novice	CH Foxshire Bee All You Can Be BN RI NAJ NF CA FCAT3 DJ CGCA STR TKP ATT FITB FTI	В	30-Mar-25	JENNIFER L WALKER & Sarah A Kittner & Jeffrey M Kittner
Farm Dog Certified	Fritzfox Okie From Muskogee FDC CGC TKI FITB	В	28-Mar-25	Victoria Trusty & Lea Ann Boles
Novice Agility	Icefox Yp Guess We'Re Not Done NA NAJ	D	12-Apr-25	Dr. Mary Alice Doyle
Master Silver Agility	MACH Dynasty Topfox Return Of The Jedi CD BN MXS MJS MFB T2B3 DCAT CGC TKA	D	27-Apr-25	Mrs. Kimberly R Dillon
Novice Agility Jumper	Icefox Yp Guess We'Re Not Done NAJ	D	4-Apr-25	Dr. Mary Alice Doyle
Master Silver Jumper	MACH Dynasty Topfox Return Of The Jedi CD BN MXS MJS MFB T2B3 DCAT CGC TKA	D	27-Apr-25	Mrs. Kimberly R Dillon
Master Excellent Jumper Preferred 10	GCH CH PACH Westgate All-Star Tell Me No Lies AX AXJ MXP5 MXPS MJP10 MJPC PAX DCAT	В	5-Apr-25	Wendy Lynn Howard & Julie Sandoval
Master Century Jumper Preferred	GCH CH PACH Westgate All-Star Tell Me No Lies AX AXJ MXP5 MXPS MJP10 MJPC PAX DCAT	В	5-Apr-25	Wendy Lynn Howard & Julie Sandoval
Agility FAST Novice Preferred	GCH CH PACH Westgate All-Star Tell Me No Lies AX AXJ MXP5 MXPS MJP10 MJPC PAX NFP DCAT	В	6-Apr-25	Wendy Lynn Howard & Julie Sandoval
Master Agility Champion	MACH Dynasty Topfox Return Of The Jedi CD BN MXS MJS MFB T2B3 DCAT CGC TKA	D	27-Apr-25	Mrs. Kimberly R Dillon
Master Agility Champion	MACH Icefox In A Class Of His Own MXB MJS OF BCAT	D	12-Apr-25	Dr. Mary Alice Doyle
Master Agility Champion 40	AGCH MACH40 Icefox Pick Me Up MXB10 PDS MJG11 PJS MFG TQX T2B5 TKA	D	4-Apr-25	Dr. Mary Alice Doyle
BCAT	GCHS CH Starfox Runnin' Down A Dream BCAT	В	13-Apr-25	Betty Cuzzolino & Sheryl Irwin & Ashley Cuzzolino
FCAT	Pretty Boy AX AXJ FCAT SWA CGC TKN	D	13-Apr-25	Terlyn Nowell
FCAT2	CH London Calling FCAT2	В	12-Apr-25	Wendy Howard
FCAT8	CH Westgate Upstart FDC FCAT8 SWA SCM SEE RATN TKN	В	13-Apr-25	Wendy Howard
Scent Work Buried Advanced	Precious III CA FCAT SWA CGC TKN	В	26-Apr-25	Terlyn Nowell
Scent Work Advanced	Precious III CA FCAT SWA CGC TKN	В	26-Apr-25	Terlyn Nowell
Canine Good Citizen	Flair's Walking On Sunshine Toriana RATO CGC	В	12-Jun-24	Edithmary Stenz
Canine Good Citizen	Norby CA FCAT2 SWN SINE SIA CGC TKN	D	23-Feb-25	Mrs. Paula K Nowak & Mr. William Buddy" A Nowak"
Trick Dog Novice	Valcopy Endless Wave TKN	D	1-Apr-25	Mrs. Jean Marie Bizon & Mrs. Laura A Johnson & Elizabeth F Bizon
Therapy Dog Novice	CH Foxshire Bee All You Can Be BN RI NAJ NF CA FCAT3 THDN DJ CGCA STR TKP ATT FITB FTI	В	7-Apr-25	JENNIFER L WALKER & Sarah A Kittner & Jeffrey M Kittner

	New Performance Titles Issued in May 2025			
Dog Title Dog Name Sex Date Titled Owners Name				
Beginner Novice	GCHB CH Foxshire Summer Vacation @ Lilly'S BN RI FCAT CGC TKN	В	4-May-25	Rick Lilly & Mona Lilly & Sarah Kittner & Jeffrey Kittner
Novice Agility	CH Valcopy Rodeo Queen NA NAJ BCAT	В		Laura Johnson & Dana L Plonkey
Open Agility	Icefox Yp Guess We'Re Not Done OA OAJ	D	11-May-25	Dr. Mary Alice Doyle
Master Bronze Agility	Icefox Up For One More Time MX MXB MXJ MJC XF T2B FCAT	D	31-May-25	Dr. Mary Alice Doyle
Master Silver Agility 10	AGCH MACH40 Icefox Pick Me Up MXS10 PDS MJC11 PJS MFG TQX T2B5 TKA	D	24-May-25	Dr. Mary Alice Doyle
Open Agility Jumper	Icefox Yp Guess We'Re Not Done NA OAJ	D	9-May-25	Dr. Mary Alice Doyle
Master Silver Jumper 2	MACH4 Ultra Quest Just A Flying Wallenda MXC MJS2 MXF TQX T2B	D	16-May-25	Sharon Kihara & Kasey Mando & Julie Sandoval
Master Century Jumper 11	AGCH MACH40 Icefox Pick Me Up MXB10 PDS MJC11 PJS MFG TQX T2B5 TKA	D	17-May-25	Dr. Mary Alice Doyle
Master Excellent Jumper Preferred 5	PACH The Noggin BN RN MXP6 MXPS MJP5 MJPS PAX MFP T2BP FCAT2	D	23-May-25	Deborah J. Franks
Master Bronze Jumper Preferred	Dynasty Truman Cornelius MXP MJP2 MJPB	D	9-May-25	Julie Mclean & Tim McLean
Master Silver Jumper Preferred	PACH The Noggin BN RN MXP6 MXPS MJP5 MJPS PAX MFP T2BP FCAT2	D	23-May-25	Deborah J. Franks
Triple Q Excellent	Dynasty Topfox Return Of The Jedi CD BN MX MXB MXJ MJB MFB TQX T2B3 DCAT CGC TKA	D	19-Apr-25	Mrs. Kimberly R Dillon
Triple Q Excellent	MACH3 Ultra Quest Just A Flying Wallenda MXC MJB2 MXF TQX T2B	D	13-Apr-25	Sharon Kihara & Kasey Mando & Julie Sandoval
Master Agility Champion 4	MACH4 Ultra Quest Just A Flying Wallenda MXC MJB2 MXF TQX T2B	D	4-May-25	Sharon Kihara & Kasey Mando & Julie Sandoval
BCAT	Ahsoka BCAT	В	18-May-25	Mrs. Paula K Nowak & William Nowak
BCAT	GCH CH Westgate Great Expectations FDC BCAT RATN CGC TKN FTN	D	25-May-25	Jennifer Baerresen
DCAT	Fischer Number 3 Rom A Roo DCAT	D	31-May-25	Mrs. Amy Fischer
DCAT	GCH CH Foxshire Mining My Own Beeswax DCAT CGC	D	10-May-25	Sarah A Kittner & Jeffrey M Kittner & Rick Lilly
DCAT	GCHS CH Starfox Runnin' Down A Dream DCAT	В	26-May-25	Betty Cuzzolino & Sheryl Irwin & Ashley Cuzzolino
FCAT2	Hiles Jessie'S Little Rocky FCAT2	D	31-May-25	Debbie M Hiles
FCAT4	CH Foxshire Bee All You Can Be BN RI NAJ NF CA FCAT4 THDN DJ CGCA STR TKP ATT FITB FTI	В	11-May-25	JENNIFER L WALKER & Sarah A Kittner & Jeffrey M Kittner
FCAT5	GCH CH Trackside's Catch A Wave FCAT5	D	4-May-25	Sharon Bruckschen & Lori King
Scent Work Container Excellent	Pretty Boy AX AXJ FCAT SWA SCE CGC TKN	D	18-May-25	Terlyn Nowell
Scent Work Interior Excellent	Precious III CA FCAT SWA SIE CGC TKN	В	31-May-25	Terlyn Nowell
Canine Good Citizen Urban	Flair's World Traveler CGCA CGCU	D	7-May-25	Aaron Blair
Trick Dog Novice	Blackstar Hibiscus Tea For You N Me CGC TKN	В	17-May-25	Mary Dillingham

	New Performance Titles Issued in June 2025			
Dog Title	Dog Name	Sex	Date Titled	Owners Name
Farm Dog Certified	Ttk Gilded Lilly FDC	В	20-Jul-24	Darian Stern
Agility Excellent	GCHB CH Dar-Rich All Star ETS Endell Be All AX AXJ XF BCAT	D	26-Jun-25	Wendy Lynn Howard
Master Agility Excellent Preferred 2	Dynasty Truman Cornelius MXP2 MJP2 MJPB	D	1-Jun-25	Julie Mclean & Tim McLean
Master Agility Excellent Preferred 6	GCH CH PACH Westgate All-Star Tell Me No Lies AX AXJ MXP6 MXPS MJP10 MJPC PAX NFP DCAT	В	7-Jun-25	Wendy Lynn Howard & Julie Sandoval
Excellent Agility Jumper	GCHB CH Dar-Rich All Star ETS Endell Be All OA AXJ XF BCAT	D	25-Jun-25	Wendy Lynn Howard
Excellent Agility Jumper	Icefox Yp Guess We'Re Not Done OA AXJ	D	8-Jun-25	Dr. Mary Alice Doyle
Master Gold Jumper	MACH Icefox In A Class Of His Own MXB MJG OF BCAT	D	15-Jun-25	Dr. Mary Alice Doyle
Master Excellent Jumper Preferred 3	Dynasty Truman Cornelius MXP2 MJP3 MJPB	D	6-Jun-25	Julie Mclean & Tim McLean
Master Excellent Jumper Preferred 11	GCH CH PACH2 Westgate All-Star Tell Me No Lies AX AXJ MXP6 MXPS MJP11 MJPC PAX2 NFP DCAT	В	21-Jun-25	Wendy Lynn Howard & Julie Sandoval
Agility FAST Excellent	GCHB CH Dar-Rich All Star ETS Endell Be All OA OAJ XF BCAT	D	8-Jun-25	Wendy Lynn Howard
Master Agility Champion 41	AGCH MACH41 Icefox Pick Me Up MXS10 PDS MJC11 PJS MFG TQX T2B5 TKA	D	1-Jun-25	Dr. Mary Alice Doyle
Preferred Agility Champion 2	GCH CH PACH2 Westgate All-Star Tell Me No Lies AX AXJ MXP6 MXPS MJP11 MJPC PAX2 NFP DCAT	В	21-Jun-25	Wendy Lynn Howard & Julie Sandoval
Preferred Agility Excellent 2	GCH CH PACH2 Westgate All-Star Tell Me No Lies AX AXJ MXP6 MXPS MJP11 MJPC PAX2 NFP DCAT	В	21-Jun-25	Wendy Lynn Howard & Julie Sandoval
DCAT	Fritzfox Crazy In Love FDC DCAT ATT FITS	В	8-Jun-25	Lisa McGowan & Lea Ann Boles
FCAT	CH Heartland's Midnight Joker FDC FCAT RATN ATT FITS FTN	D	8-Jun-25	Lisa McGowan & Terry L McGowan
FCAT	Hiles Jessie's Misty's Raven Belle FCAT	В	22-Jun-25	Debbie Hiles
FCAT5	CH Foxshire Bee All You Can Be BN RI NAJ NF CA FCAT5 THDN DJ CGCA STR TKP ATT FITB FTI	В	17-Jun-25	JENNIFER L WALKER & Sarah A Kittner & Jeffrey M Kittner
Scent Work Exterior Excellent	Precious III CA FCAT SWA SIE SEE CGC TKN	В	1-Jun-25	Terlyn Nowell

## Cool-Down Science: How a Simple Head Dunk Could Save Your Dog from Heat Stroke

Summer brings long days of sunshine and outdoor adventure and for many dogs, that means backyard play, long hikes, training sessions, or athletic competitions. But with rising temperatures comes a real danger: heat injury.

Just as you might crave air conditioning and ice water after time outside, your dog can feel similarly. Even with shaded rest areas, cooling towels, and constant hydration, it can be difficult to keep active dogs cool—especially those involved in working or sporting events. Dogs primarily cool themselves through panting and some sweating through their paw pads, which makes them more vulnerable to overheating.

"High-energy dogs often don't know when to stop, and it's devastating," said Dr. Cynthia Otto, Executive Director of the PennVet Working Dog Center at the University of Pennsylvania. "They seem fine, then suddenly collapse with heat stroke. And there's a 50 percent chance they won't survive."

For years, dog owners have turned to traditional cooling methods like alcohol on paw pads or dunking in water. But what actually works best? Until recently, no one knew for sure. Putting Cooling Methods to the Test

In 2022, Dr. Otto launched a study to compare the effects of partial water immersion versus applying isopropyl alcohol to paw pads. Dogs stood in shallow water or on alcohol-treated pads. The result: water immersion proved more effective and did not raise heart rate like alcohol did, likely due to the alcohol's intense smell.

Next, with funding from the AKC Canine Health Foundation, Dr. Otto's team tested four additional cooling techniques:

- 1. Ice pack on the neck
- 2. Wet towel on the neck
- 3. Wet towels in the axillae (armpits)
- 4. Voluntary head dunk in 70°F water

Dogs exercised for 10 minutes until reaching 105°F core body temperature or showed signs of heat stress, like heavy panting or a change in the color of their gums. Then each cooling method was applied, and dogs were monitored for 40 minutes.

The head dunk came out on top. It delivered the fastest and most sustained reduction in body temperature.

"This result blew our minds," said Dr. Otto. "But it also made perfect sense. Dogs pant to regulate heat, which increases blood flow to the head. Cool the head, and you cool the dog faster."

From Research to Real Life: What the Data Means for You and Your Dog

Dr. Otto is now building on her research with a follow-up study to explore whether factors like water temperature or substitute methods, like applying cool towels to the head, can offer similar results—especially for dogs who are panting excessively or who are unwilling to dunk their heads.

Even for pet owners without sporting or working dogs, this research offers practical, life-saving insight. A soaked towel over the head, a shallow basin of cool water, or a quick head dip could be enough to prevent tragedy on a hot day.

Real-world applications are already underway. During a medical visit in Zambia with Working Dogs for Conservation, Dr. Otto had the opportunity to introduce the head dunk technique.

"We didn't know how effective it would be at the time," she recalled. "But we could tell this had the potential to change outcomes for active dogs."

Thanks to funding from the AKC Canine Health Foundation and Dr. Otto's continued commitment to canine wellness, dog owners everywhere now have access to simple, science-backed tools to help prevent the deadly consequences of heat injury.

Contribute to the work CHF is doing to support active, working and sporting dogs by donating today at akcchf.org/fueldogsinmotion/.

## ATFTC DESIGNATED SPECIALTY

## Central Oklahoma Toy Dog Club Inc

## 6/27/2025

**TOY FOX TERRIERS** 

JUDGE: Mr Alfred J Ferruggiaro

TOY FOX TERRIERS, Puppy Dogs 6 Mos & Under 9 Mos.

1/RW 5 CH DAR-RICH CHASING DREAMS AND HOME RUNS. TS660568/01.
10/15/2024. BREEDER: Darlene Teter and Shelly Erdman. By CH Westgate
The Ride Continues@ Dar-Rich-Dar-Rich Ridin High On Country
Music. OWNER: Wendy L Howard.

**TOY FOX TERRIERS, Bred-By-Exhibitor Dogs Puppy.** 

A 11 KALLMEE BORN TO RULE. TS654647/07. 10/16/2024. BREEDER: Susan B Thibodeaux. By CH Azalea Bay Watch Me Fly-GCH Kallmee Gems N Jewels. OWNER: Susan B Thibodeaux.

TOY FOX TERRIERS, Bred-By-Exhibitor Dogs Adult.

1/W 19 WATSON'S SIRIUS CENTENIAL SPARKY. TS579829/04. 11/13/2022.

BREEDER: Teresa Watson. By GCH CH Centenial Farms Practically Perfect-Maldonfox Sirius Lily Of The Valley. OWNER: Teresa Watson & Jerry Watson.

TOY FOX TERRIERS, Puppy Bitches 6 Mos & Under 9 Mos.

1/RW 28 DAR-RICH HATS OFF TO BIG DREAMS AND A LOTTA LOVE. TS660568/02.
10/15/2024. BREEDER: Darlene Teter. By Ch Westgate The Ride Continues At Dar-Rich-Dar-Rich Ridin High On Country Music. OWNER: Lori and Kevin Hays.

TOY FOX TERRIERS, Puppy Bitches 9 Mos & Under 12 Mos.

**8 ML BLACK MAGIC WOMAN @ SIRIUS.** TS646696/02. 06/28/2024. BREEDER: Michelle Liggett. By CH Roeders MLBlack Magic-CH Southern a Whole Lot of Rosie. **OWNER: Teresa Watson**.

**TOY FOX TERRIERS, Novice Bitches.** 

6 WATON'S SIRIUS SONG OF THE DOVE. TS624046/02. 12/14/2023.

BREEDER: Jerry & Teresa Watson. By GCH CH Maldonfox Sirius Luna's Light-GCH CH Watson's Sirius Andie. OWNER: Cheryl Bohannan & Jeff Binse.

**TOY FOX TERRIERS, Amateur-Owner-Handler Bitches.** 

1 12 M L SIRIUS CARMEL ELECTRA. TS646698/02. 07/14/2024. BREEDER:
Michelle Liggett. By GCH CH Maldonfox Sirius Luna's Light-CH M L Twisted
Sister. OWNER: Michelle Liggett.

**TOY FOX TERRIERS, Open Bitches.** 

- 2 20 BARBARY ZARA AT DAWN. TS607076/04. 07/27/2023. BREEDER: Denise Monette. By Ch Centennial Farms Count Me In-GCHB CH Barbary Bow Chicka Wow Wow. OWNER: Denise S Sisneroz.
- 1/W/BW 22 CHIPWORTHS BELLEAMIE AMARYLLIS@CONRI. TS586667/03. 02/26/2023. BREEDER: Gary Chip Thompson G Jeanette Wright. By Destiny Smile Tydus at Chipworth-Belle Amie MIC-KEE mouse. OWNER: Matthew Proctor & Kathleen Chance.

**TOY FOX TERRIERS, Best of Breed Competition.** 

- 7 GCH CH FRITZFOX MADE TO FLY. TS643286/04. 08/02/2024. Dog. BREEDER: Lea Ann Boles. By GCHS CH FritzFox Steal My Show-GCHB CH FritzFox Love's An Open Door RATN. OWNER: Lea Ann Boles.
  - 9 GCH CH GREENJEANS BELIEVE IN TAKING A CHANCE IN L. TS630429/03. 02/13/2024. Dog. BREEDER: Mary Bowlan. By GchB Ch GCHB CH Fritzfox Steal My Show-CH CH Heartland Leaves Of Three Poison Ivy. OWNER: Catherine Fortney & Mary Bowlan & Molly Gaffney.
- OS 14 GCHS CH DYNASTY TOPFOX SUGAR N SPICE. TS596208/01. 02/17/2023.

  Bitch. BREEDER: Amanda Halsey. By Gch Ch Fly'N Fox This Is Why I'm HotDynasty's Maisie Lockwood. OWNER: A Halsey & T Topham & J Threlfall & L
  Waters.

- SEL 15 GCHB KALLMEE THE SPACE COWBOY. TS601268/05. 05/26/2023. Dog. BREEDER: Susan B Thibodeaux. By GCHS CH Accolade Highway 61-GCH CH Kallmee Gems N Jewels. OWNER: Susan B Thibodeaux.
  - 17 CH AZALEA BAY WATCH ME FLY. TS557380/01. 04/09/2022. Dog. BREEDER: Barbara Robinson Leann Lange. By GCHG KALLMEE THE AERIALIST-GCH AZALEA BAY TICKLED PINK BIZY BAKIN COOKIE. OWNER: Susan B Thibodeaux and Steven P Thibodeaux.
  - 18 CH HURRICANEDECK BREAK EVERY RULE AT WEAVERTFTS. TS625644/01. 11/07/2023. Bitch. BREEDER: Rebekah Anthony Rivera & Amaya Rivera & Cindy Enro. By GCH CH Foxclassic Leave This One Alone-GCH CH Doubletakes Fall Into Your Dreams. OWNER: Sharon Marie Weaver.
  - 21 DAR-RICH I'M DOMINOS LEGACY. TS663125/01. 11/22/2024. Dog. BREEDER: Darlene Teter and Shelley Erdman. By GCHB CH DAR-RICH IMA DOMINO DYNAMO-CH DAR-RICH THIS PIRATE WEARS PINK. OWNER: Darlene Teter and Shelley Erdman.
  - 25 GCHS ML PATRIOTS BLACK IN FASHION BCAT. TS580561/02. 11/18/2022. Dog. BREEDER: Michelle Liggett. By GCH Nash's Patriot CD BN CGCA-CH ML Twisted Sister. OWNER: Shirley Peter Izabelle Burg Jennifer Burg.
- SEL 26 CH VALCOPY TAYFIELD HEARTS ON THE LINE AT THREEFI. TS649783/01.
  06/11/2024. Bitch. BREEDER: Carol Penwarden Dana. Plonkey Marie Newell.
  By GCHS CH Valcopy Ter-Lee Hot to Trot V Niklby-CH Valcopy Tayfield Heart to Heart. OWNER: Carol Penwarden & Dana Plonkey & Marie Newell.
  - 27 GCHB CH WATSON'S SIRIUS THE THIN BLUE LINE. TS547151/03. 02/12/2022. Dog. BREEDER: Teresa & or Jerry Watson. By CH Stone Lea PV Dell Toledo-Maldonfox Sirius Lily of the Valley. OWNER: Michelle Sinclair Coleman.

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#### 1/W/BW/OS 7

BARBARY I GO HOUDINI. TS 64212001. 06-24-24

(2 Points)

By GCH Centennial Farms Ransom - GCHB Barbary Make It Magic. Owner: Denise Monette, Marysville, CA 959015945. Breeder: Denise Monette.

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## 1/R

9 STONE LEA STARGAZER. TS 65836401. 05-10-24

By Stone Lea Shaka Groov'N - CH Stone Lea Tombstone Carrie Nation. Owner: Katherine La Rue & Rebecca La Rue, Ukiah, CA 954829124. Breeder: Katherine La Rue & Rebecca La Rue.

TOY FOX TERRIERS. Puppy, 6 & Under 9 Months Bitches.

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16 WATSONS SIRIUS STRAIGHT FROM THE HEART @ PANDORA. TS

65508002.10-16-24

By GCH CH Maldonfox Sirius Luna's Light - Maldonfox Sirius Lily Of The Valley. Owner: Chelle Or Alan Smallwood & Jerry & Or Theresa Watson, Marysville, CA 959018909. Breeder: Jerry & Or Teresa Watson.

TOY FOX TERRIERS. Puppy, 9 & Under 12 Months Bitches.

## 1/R

**12 GALAXY'S TWINKLE LIL STAR FROM HEARTLAND**. TS 65163001. 09-04-24 By CH Fritzfox Man O'War @ Heartland RN - CH Heartland Leaves Of Three

Poison Ivy. Owner: Malinda Sims, Rio Linda, CA 956734413. Breeder: Mary Bowlan.

## TOY FOX TERRIERS. Open Bitches.

1/W	10	BARBARY ZARA	AT DAWN.	TS 60707604.	07-27-23
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(1 Point) By CH Centennial Farms Count Me In - GCHB CH Barbary Bow Chicka Wow Wow. Owner: Denise Sisneroz, Elk Grove, CA 957584811. Breeder:

Denise Monette.

## TOY FOX TERRIERS. Best of Breed Competition.

B/BOBOH	8	GCHB CH STONE LEA SAY YOU LOVE ME. 15 59228102. 11-01-22
(5-GC		By GCH CH Centennial Farms Good Fortune - CH Stone Lea Tombstone
Points)		Carrie Nation. Bitch. Owner: Katherine La Rue & Rebecca La Rue, Ukiah,
		CA 954829124. Breeder: Katherine La Rue & Rebecca La Rue.

SEL	11	CH STONE LEA SUGAR DADDY. TS 59228101. 11-01-22
(1-GC		By GCH CH Centennial Farms Good Fortune - CH Stone Lea Tombstone
Points)		Carrie Nation. Dog. Owner: Rebecca La Rue & Katherine La Rue, Ukiah, CA
		954820114. Breeder: Katherine La Rue & Rebecca La Rue.

SEL	14	GCHB BARBARY GOOD GOLLY MISS MOLLY. TS 49982902. 01-03-21
(2-GC		By GCH Barbary Just Do It! - CH Juslyn Barbary I'm Ready For Anything.
Points)		Bitch. Owner: Perry Corder & Denise Monette, Marysville, CA 959015945.
		Proceder Danica Manatta

Breeder: Denise Monette.

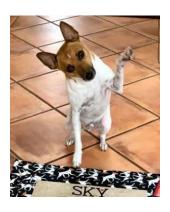
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