



# Potomac Piper

Newsletter of the Potomac Skye Terrier Club

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## Message from the President

As this issue goes to press, plans are well underway for Potomac's Terrier-ific Booth at the Devon Dog Show on October 7 in Ludwigs Corner, Pennsylvania, followed by our dinner at the Eagle Tavern. Many of you will remember the torrential rains of one year ago and the cancellation of the Devon Dog Show. Although we managed to set up a make-shift "store" in one member's hotel room, the overall audience for our sales items was significantly diminished. Thus, we look forward to giving it another try this year. In addition to the sales component of our booth, we also plan to expand upon our tradition of having many PSTC members on hand to share their knowledge and love of the Skye with show exhibitors and spectators.

I am pleased to share the positive news the regional Potomac Skye Terrier Club continues to be strong. We have been privileged to receive membership applications from Skye Terrier owners throughout the year and we'll be voting on three new applications from New York, North Carolina and Finland at our August meeting. Membership renewals for 2006 were 100%.

Many of our members have expressed interest in helping us in our efforts to increase public awareness and appreciation for the Skye Terrier. The future viability of the Skye will require commitment on all levels - we need to support the responsible breeding of Skyes to make sure that our gene pool diversity is maintained; we need to support owner/exhibitors who have an interest in the conformation and performance rings; and we need to encourage and support anyone who has interest in the companionship of the breed.

PSTC member Marijane Parrish, a recently-retired school teacher from Chester County, Pennsylvania, has offered a number of fine suggestions and is developing a plan to use her professional contacts to begin offering "Skye" visitations to schools in her area.

The recognition that a number of breeds, including Skyes, are seeing declining registrations both in the U.S. and around the world, has prompted a group in the U.K. to form the British and Irish Dog Breeds Preservation Trust. Quoting directly from their website, "the "Trust" was formed on 8th August 2004 following two open meetings of enthusiasts concerned for the future of a number of native breeds which, it was felt, were at a low ebb of popularity. An executive committee was formed whose responsibility is to monitor those breeds and endeavour to promote education and awareness." For more information visit the Trust's website at: <http://www.nativebreeds.org.uk/>.

Remember that every issue of the Potomac Piper is archived in PDF format on the Potomac website at: <http://www.potomacskye.com/>.

**Michael J. Pesare, President**

# Ups and Downs of the Skye Bed & Biscuit

By Shirley Deasy

My love affair with Skye Terriers started when I was a child and saw the Disney movie, "Greyfriars' Bobby". As a child I loved all dogs and may never forgive my mother for not letting me have a collie my aunt wanted to give me! But I did have a springer mix when I was 7 or 8, named Lassie (of course) and then a golden mix when I was a teenager. But as an adult I forgot about Bobby and Skyes and had a two mixed breeds followed by a Basset, a Scottish Terrier and two Corgis.



Shirley and Neil Deasy and Emmee

With the arrival of the Scotty (Tammy), I entered the world of dog clubs and showing. My showing was in obedience and agility but I did get involved in the Greater Atlanta Scottish Terrier Club and help with their annual specialty. In all those years of going to dog shows, I never saw a Skye but in 2002 I had the opportunity to go to Westminster with a friend. It occurred to me that since all breeds are usually shown there, I might see a Skye. And indeed I did but that wasn't the place to really get know a new breed and I had three dogs (had promised the husband there would only be two so I was one dog over quota). In May of 2005 I went to the Bucks County, PA show and was very please to see a Skye entry and met Michael Pesare of Gleanntan Kennels. It was so nice to finally meet some Skyes and that did it – my next dog had to be a Skye. My beloved Scotty, Tammy died last year so early this year I started to look for a puppy. After visiting Mike and Maida in March (what a lovely visit and more Skyes than probably in the entire state of Pennsylvania). My husband liked the Skyes and Mike and Maida liked us, so it was all decided – a Skye puppy it would be.

But my real life with a Skye began sooner than I thought it would. At first I thought I really wanted a Gleanntan puppy but then the planned breeding fell through so Mike and Maida asked if I would like a little 22-month old girl named Emma. I thought about this for a day and talked to

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dog friends (one long-time scotty friend and my new Skye friend, Ginger Lindsey). I didn't want to wait any longer for a puppy and with work being so busy, I thought a young dog would be easier to deal with right now. So my husband and I met Mike and Maida half way between their house and ours and Emmee's life at the Bed and Biscuit began.

**Day 1:** Fun at first – got to go for a nice ride to a parking lot and met some nice folks. But then the two strangers put me in their car. And with two strange looking dogs – called corgis. When I got to the B&B there was a nice back yard just made for dogs with lots of places to sniff and some stuff called agility equipment. But I was scared so I didn't feel much like eating or even peeing!

**Day 2:** Today I got to go on a little morning walk with the corgis after braving the scary garage. Later in the evening I decided to humor the proprietors by eating dinner, found out that running in the backyard is very fun and the nice lady and I had our first training session. This dog learning stuff is great! Consists of tummy rubbing, treats for sniffing her toes and lots of petting. At this rate, I should get one of those ribbons like the corgis before I'm six! But then there was a question of my allowance. Seems the B&B had to order a hair dryer and other assorted items just for me and the bill is over \$200. But I think if I wag my tail they will think I'm charming and cute and won't make me pay the bill. But the best thing was that I figured out that if I put my paws on the bed, the nice man will put me on the bed – my life as the B&B bed slug has begun.

The weekends at the B&B are like a day camp – you get to sign up for various activities. Since the corgis are signed up for tracking class, I signed up to go with them. Didn't do any tracking (I can't enroll until fall) but I met a German Shepard, a lab and an English cocker. For my second weekend, I signed up for tracking class plus a long walk in field after class, and then a visit to the Wake Forest Farmers' Market. One man from Scotland said I was a very pretty Skye Terrier and I kissed some babies. A woman wanted to borrow me to dust under her bed! After all this fun, I decided to go to the Day Spa – got a bath plus blow dry and brushing out. On Sunday I took a leash-walking lesson and took a walk with the corgis and a neighbor with a corgi (why are corgis everywhere? Where are the Skyes?).

By the end of my second week, I had mastered the art of going down-stairs and then finally figured out I could go up as well. I got the impression that if I didn't learn to do this the people were going to push me up step by step so I just decided to pop up the steps on my own.

There are some rules at this B&B: you have to wait to go out the door to the back yard and the people don't much like it when you stand up and look at food on the counter. The best things I've learned from the corgis:

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# Potomac Skye Terrier Club Specialty

By Courtney Penner

In Baltimore this past April 21 - 24th at the Potomac Skye Terrier Specialty, Michael Pesare won the breed with his Veteran Bitch (Ch. Gleanntan Grandxpose). It was a nice win for him especially with such a pretty bitch. The judges were great. We had a wonderful judge from Finland come in and judge the sweepstakes. She did a great job.

When we first arrived Don and Sandra Smiley and myself went into the building where the Terrier Specialty was being held the next day and started to help set up the Potomac Skye Terrier Club's booth. It was a lot of fun. There were a lot of neat things at the booth and when we were done it looked great.

Throughout the weekend at the all breed shows in junior handling I went 3rd, 4th and 3rd out of approximately 20 - 30 juniors each day. I handled my baby boy "Risto," Olivia's Quite an Aristocrat. We also took the breed one day which was very exciting and I got to show him in group. He showed nicely but we didn't make the cut. One of the other days "Rusulka," Olivia's Spirit of Rusulka, won the breed as well. She is still fairly young but she is a beautiful young bitch.

We went to a nice dinner and meeting with the Potomac Skye Terrier Club. The food was great and the meeting was fun. I would like to thank Michael Pesare and Maida Connor for giving me the lovely Skye pin, and also the club for accepting me as a future member. The Potomac Skye Terrier Club put on a great weekend. I would also like to thank Don and Sandra Smiley for taking me to this show.



L to R: PSTC Judge Billie Kellogg takes a good look at the Bred By Exhibitor bitch lineup Karen Jennings and Royalist Spirit Of Lairdoglen; Joan Fingar and Serendipity's Wee Thistle; and Don Brown and Clan Donan Bonnie Lady Maggie.

# Potomac Skye Terrier Specialty

**Friday, April 21, 2006**

**Howard County Fairgrounds  
West Friendship, Maryland**

## **SWEEPSTAKES**

JUDGE: Ms. Meri Tuuli Aalto

### **Best Puppy in Sweepstakes**

JAY-ROY HOOLIGAN'S HOLIDAY. RN 08884401. 05-26-05. By Ch Jo-Na-Da's Shawn Rae Wild Lord - Ch Jay Roy Olivia Wild Obsession. Owner: Robyn G Hand., Glen Campbell, PA 15742. Breeder: Robyn G Hand.

### **Best Junior in Sweepstakes/Best in Sweepstakes**

OLIVIA SPIRIT OF RUSALKA. RN 07889804. 01-31-05. By Ch Dust In The Wind Of Morningsky - Ch Olivia Jayroy Wild Fantasia. Owner: Don Smiley & Olga Smid & Courtney Penner., Sumas, WA 98295. Breeder: Olga Smid & Romana Johnson & Eric Johnson.

## **REGULAR CLASSES**

JUDGE: Mrs. Billie R. Kellogg

### **Best of Breed (from the Veterans Class)**

CH GLEANNTAN GRANDXPOSE. RM 22842903. 11-08-97. By Ch Mariquita Flashxclusive - Ch Gleanntan Great Day O'Pataway. Owner: Gleanntan Kennels Reg., Aspers, PA 17304. Breeder: B Nolan Dale & Donna Dale.

### **Winners Dog/Best of Winners/Best of Opposite Sex (5 point major)**

TALYOT ILIADD. RN 04590801. 05-12-03. By Perrylands Defender - Talyot Hortensia. Owner: Janet K Weiss & Lynne Richardson., Oakland, NJ 07436. Breeder: Lynne Richardson.

### **Reserve Winners Dog**

JAY-ROY HOOLIGAN'S HOLIDAY

### **Winners Bitch (5 point major)**

GLEANNTAN GOODIETWOSHoes. RN 06417703. 08-19-04. By Ch Gleanntan Going For It - Ch Gleanntan Grandxpose. Owner: Anne D O'Reilly., Hummelstown, PA 17036. Breeder: Gleanntan Kennels.

### **Reserve Winners Bitch**

OLIVIA SPIRIT OF RUSALKA

### **Best Puppy**

CLANDONAN THE GOLDEN ROCKET. RN 09544402. 06-02-05. By Ch Roverrunthecaliforniazephyr - Ch Clandonan Katie's Jewel. Owner: Anne & Don Brown., Ridgeland, SC 29936. Breeder: Anne & Don Brown & Terri Richey.

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in the Summertime,  
Hope it's the same for you."



**Olde World Pirate's Treasure - "Wick"**  
**Olde World Siren's Love Song - "Willow"**

Breeder:  
Deborah Piercefield  
Olde World Farm  
Kentucky

Owner:  
Donna LaGorga  
Cherry Hill, New Jersey

# **N Ch EJV-06 Olivia Spirit Of Sierras**

(Ch Dust In The Wind of Morningsky- Ch Olivia Jayroy Wild Fantasia)



Millie gained her N Ch title in only 4 shows handled by Ingrid Prytz-Ohm, her co-owner. After her returning to Finland we are now planning a litter to Millie during 2006.

Many thanks for Olga Smid for this very special lady!

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## **New Ch. Gleanntan Goodietwoshoes**

(Ch. Gleanntan Going For It x Ch. Gleanntan Grandxpose)

### **Winners Bitch (5-point major)**

Potomac Skye Terrier Club Specialty - April 21

### **Winners Bitch & Best of Opposite Sex (4-point major)**

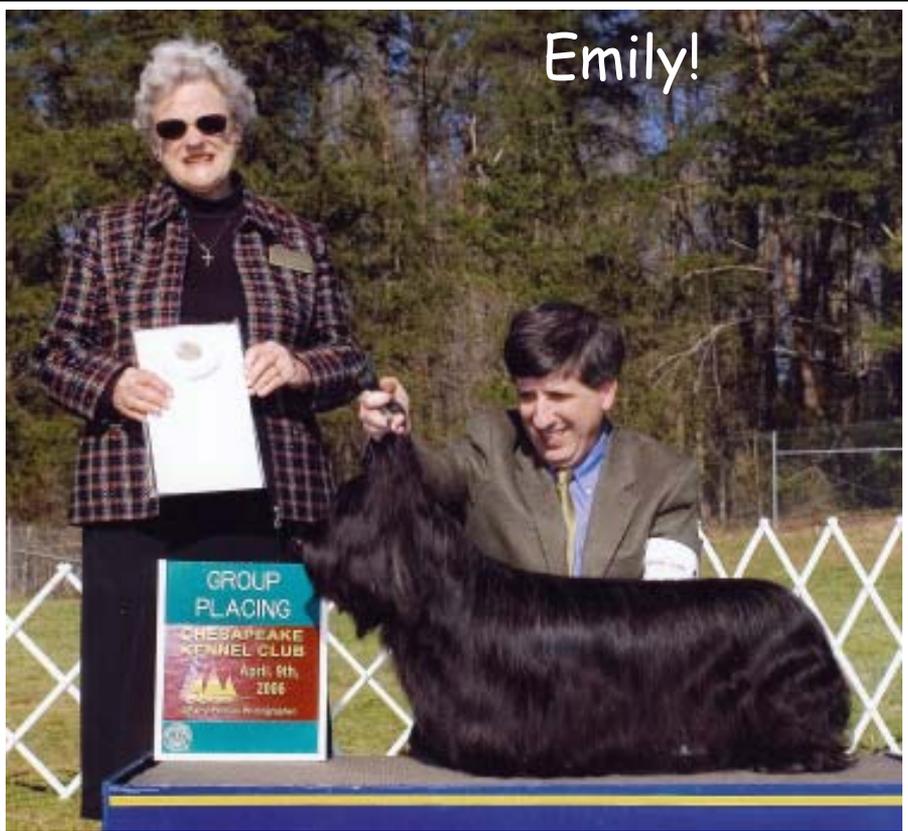
Old Dominion Kennel Club - April 22

### **Best of Breed (in her first show as a Special)**

Catoctin Kennel Club - April 24

“Gladys” is owned, loved and handled by:  
Anne D. O’Reilly  
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**Ch. Gleanntan Grandxpose**

(Int. Ch. Mariquita Flashxclusive x Ch. Gleanntan Great Day O'Pataway)

**BEST OF BREED** (from the Veterans class)  
**Potomac Skye Terrier Club Specialty - April 21, 2006**  
Judge: Mrs. Billie R. Kellogg

**Distinguishing herself in the breed ring and in the whelping box.  
Emily's daughter, Gladys, was awarded Winners Bitch for a 5-point  
major as Emily herself was the Best of Breed winner.**

Pictured taking Group 4 two weeks  
before the Specialty under judge Lydia  
C. Hutchinson. She was handled by  
her co-owner, Michael Pesare.

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# Olivia's Spirit Of Rusalka

## "Rusalka"



### Best In Sweepstakes at PSTC and Best of Breed at Baltimore Kennel Club

**Owners:** Don Smiley,  
Olga Smid and  
Courtney Penner

**Handler:**  
Don Smiley

**Breeders:** Olga Smid  
Romana Johnson and  
Eric Johnson

*When you wish upon a star, your dreams come true...*

# **BIS Ch. Dressed To Kill Of Morningsky**



**BEST IN SHOW**  
Our heartfelt thanks to Breeder/Judge Mrs. Sandra Goose Allen for making our dream come true. With hugs to Edward & Luke for celebrating Mother's Day late.



**GROUP FIRST**  
Thank you judge Mr. Lowell Davis for sending us on the Best in Show.

## **Panya**

**Cook2006**

**Owned and Adored By:**  
Carol Fink

**Bred By:**  
Elke Spinnrock  
Morningsky

**Conditioned & Presented By:**  
Sally & Mark George,  
AKC Reg. Handlers

## Potomac Specialty Sweepstakes Critique

Meri T. Aalto

A very nice trip indeed! I travel to USA several times every year, but not so often to East Coast. I flew to Washington, hired a car, load the dogs (cardigans) travelling with me in it and drove to spend some days with friends near Boston.

Friday was the special show day, which was held in West Friendship, Maryland. Colin Smith (also from Finland) was supposed to judge the official classes, but unfortunately there was a problem with his passport and he couldn't come. I had the honour to judge the Sweepstakes, which I was really looking forward to do. I have judged cardigans before, but this was first time with skyes!

The Best in Sweepstakes and Best Junior was Olivia Spirit Of Rusalka, very feminine, excellent size, lovely head, very good basic construction with very good shoulders, excellent length of upper arm. She moved and showed well.

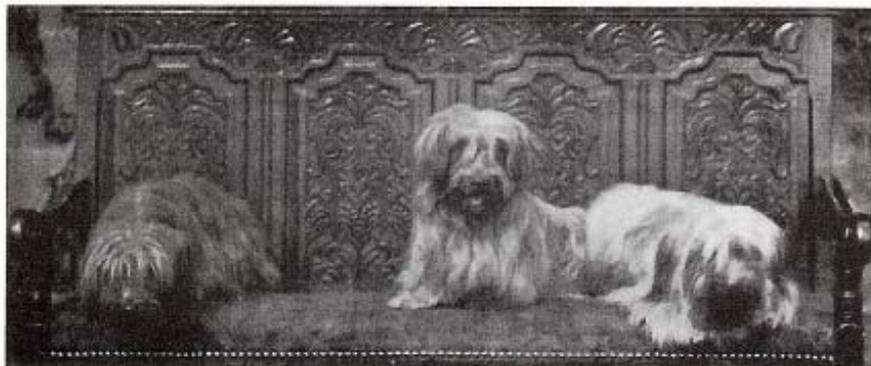
Competition for Best Puppy was harder, Jay-Roy Hooligan's Holiday won being more mature and showing really well, but I also liked very much of Clandonan The Golden Rocket, a nice cream drop.

After the show there was a lovely dinner in a railway station (OK, it had been a railway station, now it was a nice restaurant ;^), we had a really great time! My sincere thanks for all the exhibitors and special thanks to Maida Connor and Michael Pesare, who (as always) made us feel welcomed!

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peanut butter, pieces of pizza crust and licks from the ice cream bowl really taste great. So I've decided to stay for a while – just changed my reservation from the weekly to the monthly plan!

Note from Shirley Deasy, co-owner of the Wake Forest Bed and Biscuit: I strongly believe in using positive methods and have been clicker training my dogs and teaching clicker-training for a number of years. I think it is better for Emmee to get fully adjusted to our household before any formal training. But she is always learning – I can see the tilt of the head and am giving her time to figure things out. One of my corgis has titles in agility, obedience, and Rally and is learning freestyle and tracking. The 2nd corgi likes Rally and is also in tracking class. My scottie got one Rally title before she died but her sport was Earthdog trials (JE, SE and 3 legs towards her ME). Emmee will get the basics and then we will see what she wants to do (besides being cute and being a bed slug). I sure hope Mike and Maida don't mind but we love this little girl and she told us she wants to stay on at the Bed and Biscuit for the time being. Perhaps she will visit with them and her brothers and sisters later in the fall.



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WHITE SKYE TERRIERS



*Photo by W. Davey & Sons, Harrowgate, Eng.*  
MARKINGTON SUNSHINE'S PUPPIES BY CH. PIPER GRAY  
Property of Mrs. Hugh Ripley, Markington, Leeds, Eng.

## **About the Potomac Skye Terrier Club**

The Potomac Skye Terrier Club is an AKC-sanctioned club devoted to preserving and promoting interest in the Skye Terrier in the Middle Atlantic region of the United States. Since 1972, the club has fulfilled its mission by annually holding a Specialty show as well as meetings, educational seminars, and through communication with its members.

If you are interested in supporting the Potomac Skye Terrier Club through membership, please contact Maida Connor, Secretary, 225 Opossum Hill Road, Aspers, PA 17304-9504, Phone: 717-677-0700 or e-mail: [maidaconnor@adelphia.net](mailto:maidaconnor@adelphia.net).

### **Save These Dates!**

**August 26**    Membership Meeting  
Dutch's Daughter  
Frederick, Maryland

**October 7**    Potomac Skye Terrier Club Terrier-ific Booth  
Devon Dog Show Association Show  
Membership Meeting and Dinner



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