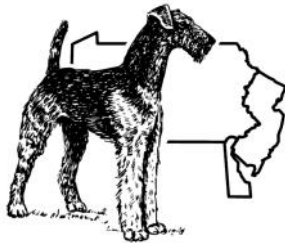


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Inspired by Airedales

By Mary Jo Johnson, Inspired by Winnie and Bea Johnson

Before I get to the heart of this article, I'd like to take a moment to welcome our newest additions to the ARADV family. This year has been quite the busy one with many distinct and, at times, unique calls for our involvement. I always say that we count our Rescue miracles in seconds. We are constantly and literally on-call, online for the next plea for help. Tracking the steps between the initial information and the placement of the Rescues is multi-layered and is as unique as the Airedale's personality. For all of us, each beloved Rescue has his/her own history of how they came to be a part of your own forever family. We are merely the beginning of their Rescue journey; you are their loving, nurturing destinations. None of this would be possible without the leadership of our amazing leader, Deb Ciancarelli. Deb dedicates her life and a rotating spot in her home for incoming Rescues. We thank and honor Deb for her unconditional love.

Now, back to the article...I am sure that inevitably we encounter quotes from various sources that cause us to pause/paws to reflect. Our own life experiences are our wellsprings of memories to process these reflections. I often wonder if the author of the quote was owned by an Airedale? In my personal opinion, perhaps one of the most impactful quotes was attributed to Job who advised "But ask the animals, and they will teach you". Hummm...well I know Airedales post-dated Job but his words are timely. What have our Airedales taught us? Many answers come to mind with varying degrees of silly, serious, happy and sad. Mostly, my own

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Airedales have taught me:

- To pay attention (an unattended Airedale is ripe for trouble)
- Look up and down (witness what my shoes can step-in particularly in the unattended yard)
- Feel the sun on your face (and lawn surf if you are absolutely sure no one can see you)
- Do not be afraid to ask for treats and special joys of life
- View napping as an essential means to recharge
- Get out and make new friends. Airedale friends are the BEST!
- Eat regular, high-quality meals
- Be sure to be seen by your doctor and not just in case of emergency
- Take your medications as prescribed
- Show appreciation by your best means—including kisses and wiggles
- Know that you are loved and appreciated, even to the last breath.
- Volunteer even if you think you may not be needed—because you ARE

With all of this in mind, please enjoy a moment to add your own reflections to this list. I am sure that you can easily expand on these thoughts.

In closing, I once again offer my thanks that you are a part of this Rescue process. My last point about volunteering is a very sincere plea for your talent. We always need emergency foster homes and transport availability as well. Our 3 states cover a lot of land. To our special financial sustainers and donors,

please know that we could not exist without you. The medical needs of our Rescues vary as much as their circumstances. Thanks also to our Freshpet family and their ongoing generosity to sustain our goals of high quality nutrition. And, most importantly, thanks to our Airedales whose lives give us life (and some very important inspirations).



Our Mission:

The goal of Airedale Rescue and Adoption of the Delaware Valley (serving Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Delaware) is to provide prompt and safe assistance for any Airedale who has no responsible owner or breeder. Simply put, our purpose is to find a suitable, loving home for any Airedale who needs one, while strictly adhering to the policies set forth by the Airedale Terrier Club of America's Rescue and Adoption Committee:

* Before placement, each rescued Airedale Terrier will be:

- spayed or neutered
- permanently identified with a microchip
- checked for heartworm, parasites and all other health issues
- brought up to date on vaccinations required by law and appropriate to the age and health of the Airedale
- carefully evaluated for temperament & personality
- bathed and properly groomed

* We assess each rescued Airedale Terrier on an individual basis, in order to place each dog into the loving forever home best suited to the needs of that particular Airedale.

* We strive to educate the public regarding the Airedale breed and responsible dog ownership.

* No ARADV volunteer conducts rescue activities for personal profit. All proceeds from fundraising activities, fees and donations will be used only for the benefit of rescued Airedales.

***Airedale Rescue and Adoption of the Delaware Valley
places dogs only in Pennsylvania, New Jersey, and Delaware.***

Airedale Haiku Challenge!

By Bonny Hart & Mary Jo Johnson

Remember the early days of email? Back when it was called "electronic mail," and you actually looked forward to getting it? Back when the jokes that were being passed around were actually funny? Well, back in those days I received an email entitled "Dog Haiku." I don't remember who sent it to me. I don't know who wrote the poems (my apologies if I'm violating copyright.) But I enjoyed them so much that I've kept them all these years.

The haiku is a simple poem form beloved of English teachers because it is unrhymed and short. Each haiku has 17 syllables in three lines: 5, 7, 5, although you will see from the examples that 5, 8, 5 is acceptable to those who aren't sticklers. According to *Britannica* the haiku came from Japanese literature and was thought to be a response to the "elaborate poetic traditions" of the time.

I love my master;
Thus I perfume myself with
This long-rotten squirrel.

I sound the alarm!
Mailman Fiend come to kill us all!
Look! Look! Look! Look! Look!

Today I have sniffed
Many dog butts--I celebrate
By kissing your face.

I sound the alarm!
Neighbor's cat come to kill us all!
Look! Look! Look! Look! Look!

Dig under fence--why?
Because it's there. Because it's
There. Because it's there.

Look in my eyes and
Deny it. No human could
Love you as I do.

Thus inspired, Bonny & Mary Jo set out to write our own Airedale-themed haiku.

My food bowl is full.
It's the best breakfast ever.
What time is supper?

Ick! What is that smell?
Guess who will get blamed again?
Okay, it is me.

One thing that I've learned.
If you've no sense of humor,
No Airedale for you.

We'd like to invite you along to a **HAIKU CHALLENGE!** Write your own Airedale-themed haiku and send them to Bonny Hart (oriole715@gmail.com) or Mary Jo Johnson (airedalemom@ptd.net) to share in the next newsletters.



"The dog is the most faithful of animals and would be much esteemed were it not so common. Our Lord God has made His greatest gifts the commonest."

— *Martin Luther*

"Handle every situation like a dog. If you can't eat it or play with it, just pee on it and walk away."

— Author Unknown

Did you ever notice when you blow in a dog's face he gets mad at you? But when you take him in a car he sticks his head out the window!

— *Steve Bluestone*

PITTSBURGH MEET-UP

October 26th was a gloriously sunny and mild day in Pittsburgh – a perfect backdrop for our first ever meet up in the 'Burgh!!

As the Airedales and their humans gathered at the meeting point on the Three Rivers Heritage Trail one by one, everyone burst out with "there's another one!" as they joined the group. When the last triple walked up, we headed down to the riverfront walking path together.

Runners, bikers and passersby were delighted to see our beautiful pack of 10 Airedales and about 20 humans. As we posed for our group shot, folks stopped to watch and took their own shot.

After a 40 minute round trip walk, we headed to Southern Tier Brewing Company. They have a large fenced outdoor space which was perfect for our group. We sampled some of their beer selections and appetizers, all while talking Airedale! New friends were made, there were doggie costumes, a few games were played and many laughs and smiles were had by everyone. It was a truly great morning!!

Have a great location for a walk and an after-gathering? Let Deb know and maybe we can visit your area next!!



DOG LICENSE REMINDER

Properly licensing your dog is a part of every Rescue Agreement, and every adopter has promised to keep their licenses current.

In **Pennsylvania**, licensing is done annually by county. Licenses can be purchased at the county treasurer's office, and various other locations, and mail-in renewal is offered. A lifetime license is available for \$51.50 (\$31.50 if dog has been spayed or neutered). Fines for non-compliance are \$300.

In **New Jersey**, annual licenses are available from the licensing clerk of the local municipality, with proof of Rabies vaccination. The maximum fee allowed is \$21.

In **Delaware**, dog licenses are managed by the state (a change in 2016.) Licenses are available for one, two or three years at a time, with proof of Rabies vaccination. Apply online at www.petdata.com/Delaware, by phone at 877-730-6347, or at 9 locations throughout the state. Rates are \$10 per year for sterilized dogs, and \$15 for intact dogs. Fines of \$50 and up for non-compliance.



Dear Readers,

If your street address, e-mail address, or phone number has changed, please update them by contacting Deb at 609-313-4765 or by email at Deb.Ciancarelli@gmail.com. We'd also enjoy hearing how your dog is doing. Thank you.



Mischief and Memories

We continue to invite submissions for MISCHIEF AND MEMORIES. We know how memorable Airedale Terriers can be, so, here's your chance to share some of your memories.

Once again, I invite any Airedale adopter to share a humorous or cherished memory for publication in the next STARTING OVER.

Just email it to me (Mike Lurski) at seramike19@yahoo.com , or to Keith Johnson at johnsonka5@netzero.net.

Two Airedales vs. One Fence

In about 2004, we adopted two Airedales from Joey, a male and a female. Gertie, the female, was about 65 pounds, always mischievous and a little on the aggressive side. Joey had to keep her segregated from the rest of her dogs to avoid fights while she was fostered. Dash was the most affectionate, most easy-going and most emotionally stable dog I've ever known, of any breed. At a very thin 100 pounds, he was also one of the largest Airedales to come through rescue.

Not too long after we got them home, we were playing with them in the back yard. They were running around in sort of a game of tag. At one point they ended up running into the gate, locked together, hard enough to flex the gate and spring the latch open. They looked at the gate, looked at us, looked at each other, and took off running down the driveway. With me chasing them.

Dash, always the easygoing and happy dog, got to the end of the driveway and stopped to see what would happen. It may be fun getting out, but he didn't really want to be anywhere else. My wife followed in the car, so we loaded him in the back seat and I went looking for Gertie.

She was up the street, waiting for me to chase her some more – she was having the time of her life. I chased her back and forth, through our neighbor's yards for about 45 minutes, until we came to a row of bushes she couldn't push through. I managed to snap a leash on her collar and lead a very self-satisfied dog back to the house.

After that I put an extra latch on the gate, and we never repeated that game.

Keith Johnson



Airedale Word Search

Courtesy of Deb Ciancarelli

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AIREDALE
 BEARD
 GROOMING
 ANTICS
 GOOFY
 PLAYTIME
 LOYAL
 PROTECTIVE
 REGAL
 BITEYFACE
 CLOWN
 SCHOLAR
 MARTINGALE
 INTELLIGENCE
 PRANKS

MISCHIEF
 PREY
 ALOOF
 STOIC
 STRIP
 CLIP
 CHARMING
 SPIRITED
 HUNTER
 STUBBORN
 WIRY
 BLACK
 TAN
 DIG
 KING



Heart

It is with great sadness and loss that I let you know that Barney passed away last night, at home and at peace, at nearly 14 years of age. For nine years he was always at my side whenever he could be.

Brent Miller



BARNEY MILLER



In Loving Memory

Barney Miller
Rube Tuesday Pfeifer
Zoey McKenzie

Rube Tuesday Pfeifer

Thank you for thinking of me during this difficult time. Please find a donation enclosed in Rube's memory. My Rube Tuesday asked for so little but left behind so much with me. She was loved so dearly. ARADV thank you for my fourth Airedale blessing.

Debbie Pfeifer



Strings



Zoey (“Zo-Zo”) came to us at 8 years old and we didn’t know much more than that she had a family with other dogs and full access to over ten acres of wooded property. It did not take long to realize how her prior life had shaped her. We had received what seemed more like a four-year-old that could bound all over the place, handle huge walks right away and demonstrate some elite hunting skills. We are animal lovers and therefore were not exactly pleased to discover a woodpecker being shown as a trophy, but it did exemplify her incredible abilities. We also witnessed her spring like a steel trap with pinpoint precision when one didn’t even know a small critter was right there.

We believe her early years made Zoey into a busy body who provided great entertainment regardless of the hour. Indoor ball play was top notch, constantly catching it on the rise and play fighting with our male Stirling who she definitely toughened up. She had many techniques for instigating such. One of our favorites was how she would turn around in front of him when he was sitting with her back to him. She would then proceed to back up into his face with her backside thus coaxing him straight into play fighting. She would also throw toys and even bones around when ready for dinner. Zoey was always vocal and missed nothing. We once had a bird flying around our garage that she saw. Fortunately, with our assistance, it was able to get out safely. Yet for at least 3 weeks, Zoey wanted nothing but to find the bird in the garage with Terminator like determination.

However, her smartness was even more impressive. We witnessed her turning doorknobs more than once and saw her back up in a tight space

where she had to lift her hind legs up over a barrier to do so. We had never seen a dog perform such a maneuver although given she was our fifth Airedale we shouldn’t have been surprised. We always spoke to Zo-Zo as much as possible as she understood and/or associated so much and consequently usually knew what we were about to do. Sometimes too well!

Always very loving towards any human or dog, Zoey was friendly with several neighborhood dogs and families who adored her. She also overcame many of her fears with us. She was very sensitive to loud sounds but eventually surpassed even the

toughest of tests with fireworks, thunderstorms and even gunshots from a somewhat nearby gun club. That was her true strength, the ability to battle and get through anything. After double knee surgery, and a bad back, Zoey still remained highly active with her vet canine therapy team which became her home away from home. The staff loved her dearly and knew she could handle anything. Street or trail, there was no walk she could not complete!

She followed her “Dad”

everywhere. I once attempted to practice chipping golf balls in our backyard but Zoey would let no such ball flight occur. Staring down at the mat, the ball would disappear before I could even swing. She was a ton of fun for us and kept our home cozy for the six short years she was with us. While she was a tenacious girl and a fighter, she began to experience health issues in the spring. Sadly we lost her, one month shy of fourteen, this fall. While there are too many other stories to tell, we thank you for reading about our sweet Zo-Zo. We miss her dearly!

Angela & Cameron McKenzie



ZOEY MCKENZIE

Heartfelt Thanks

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Debbie Pfeifer	in memory of Rubee Tuesday
Denise StJohn	in memory of Buster and Bridget
Diane Sanders	in memory of my four wonderful Airedales- Merlin, Doc, Gwennie & Jasper
Stacey Sell	in honor of her Mom, Nancy's, birthday
Loretta Sysak	in memory of George Alport
Matthew & Stacey Tegtmzier	in honor of Carol Scott

Thank you so much for keeping me on the mailing list for Starting Over. I love seeing all the Airedale pictures and reading the stories about them. I rarely see an Airedale in my area. My senior community, in particular, is full of little dogs.

Does Airedale Rescue and Adoption still hold sales of Airedale items? I have a few items I'd be glad to donate.

My check is in honor of my Airedales – Bonnie, MacDuff and Duncan. Thank you for all you and the rest of the team have done and continue to do for Airedales. Sincerely

Ann Kessler

I applaud your work on behalf of my most favorite dog breed. I would love to have another but my yard is not fenced and I will only fence it if I know for sure I was getting a dog—a Catch 22.

Anyway, if you are ever desperate for a home or foster give me a shout!

Mary Ellen Humes



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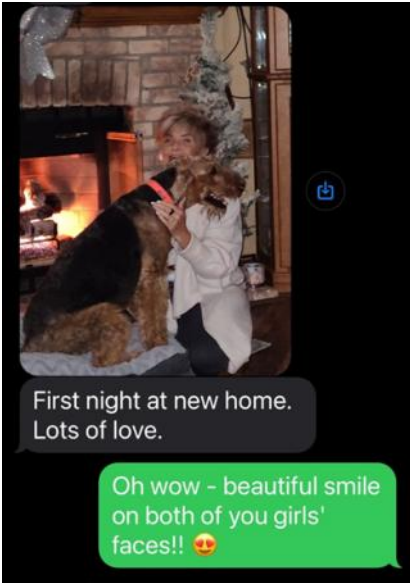
Over 13 years ago, Airedale Rescue and Adoption of the Delaware Valley began a relationship with the very reputable pet food company, Freshpet. Freshpet manufactures its pet food products right here in Bethlehem, PA.

Through the efforts of the company's dog-loving representative, Carole Slade, Freshpet has continued to regularly donate their nutritious products to us, which has immensely helped our Rescued Airedales regain their weight, health and strength.

Freshpet has grown tremendously over the years, expanding their variety of pet food offerings. Their products are found at many local supermarket chains such as Giant and Wegmans, as well as pet supply and specialty shops. In 2020, the Bethlehem Freshpet Kitchen doubled its production capacity with the grand opening of a newly constructed facility.

Our gratitude goes out to Freshpet and especially Ms. Slade for their sincere willingness to help our organization and our Airedales.

Let's Talk Airedale!



Vicky Pfeifer's Gotcha Day!



Mika Regel-Zimmerman



Gifford Ziemer's excavating prowess



Bea & Winnie Johnson

SHILOH COLMAN'S 14th BIRTHDAY

Good afternoon, Airedale Rescue friends!

I am sending along pictures and a short clip of Shiloh's 14th birthday party. Shiloh has the pink birthday girl button on. She got lots of presents and was a terrific hostess to her friends, though she did have to be quick to get her share of the birthday cake from the younger and faster Airedale in the blue bandana. She is our 2nd Airedale to reach 14, for which we thank all of you, really good genetics and a whole lot of vet trips. She is slowing down but is still a wonderful girl.

Robin and Chris Colman





Let's Talk Airedale!

HAPPY ONE YEAR ANNIVERSARY TO HARRY IVES!

I've had 11 Airedales in my life, two when I was a child and nine with Donald. Seven of the nine were rescues. Airedales share many characteristics but every one is also unique. Harry, our latest, is by far the most joyful one of all. He greets every day (and us) with enthusiasm, wide open eyes, and a smile; ready for any adventure we offer. He's always patient with us when we start getting ready for our hike. He sits calmly to get his Gentle Leader put on (which is the cue he's going). He jumps eagerly into the car, sits attentively on the back seat watching where we're going, and barks enthusiastically when we turn off the main road, approving the destination (and he always seems to approve where we're going, I may need hearing aids soon!).

He loves walking in the woods (we think before he only walked on sidewalks) and still has that "Wow!" look in his eyes when he gets out of the car, eager to take it all in. Our hikes can be anywhere from two to six miles but at a slow pace; Donald can't walk very fast. Harry has adapted, doesn't pull but leads with a stately, elegant, confident walk, tail up, head in the air, swiveling from side to side, taking it all in, proud of his people and his place in his new home.

He is eager for us to share his happiness. Occasionally he does pull. When Donald reprimands him, Harry immediately obeys and then looks for something to do that he knows will engage us and make us laugh: a patch of grass or leaves to roll in, a dried tree branch to tug with, a live tree shoot to try to uproot, a pond or stream or even puddle he can lie down in. Whatever gets us to interact with him is his joy, and something he wants to do. He seems always to be a little reluctant when it's ending. At least his pace slows down and he does more sniffing, more rolling on the ground, grabbing sticks, anything to delay.

Last year's Black Friday is the one-year anniversary of three wonderful people who transported Harry from Pittsburgh to Cherry Hill and us. Harry and we will always be grateful to them!



Sally Ives



Gary Biddle and Riggins



Winnie Scarborough



Matilda Bean Hahn-Dutton

Let's Talk Airedale!



Jake Sells is happy in his new home and looooves his piggy!



Addy Hislip



Happy 10th Birthday to Miss Fancy!! Thank you for letting us celebrate your day with you! 🎂🐾

Happy 10th Birthday to Miss Fancy Krause!!



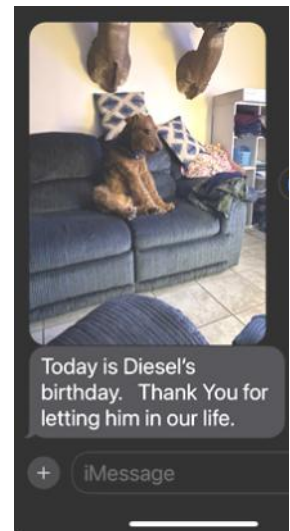
Royce O'Brien in Magenta



Phoenix Campbell was on TV on Fox 43 when she won Waggy's Waggin Wednesday!!



Louie Skirchak and his mom Rachel

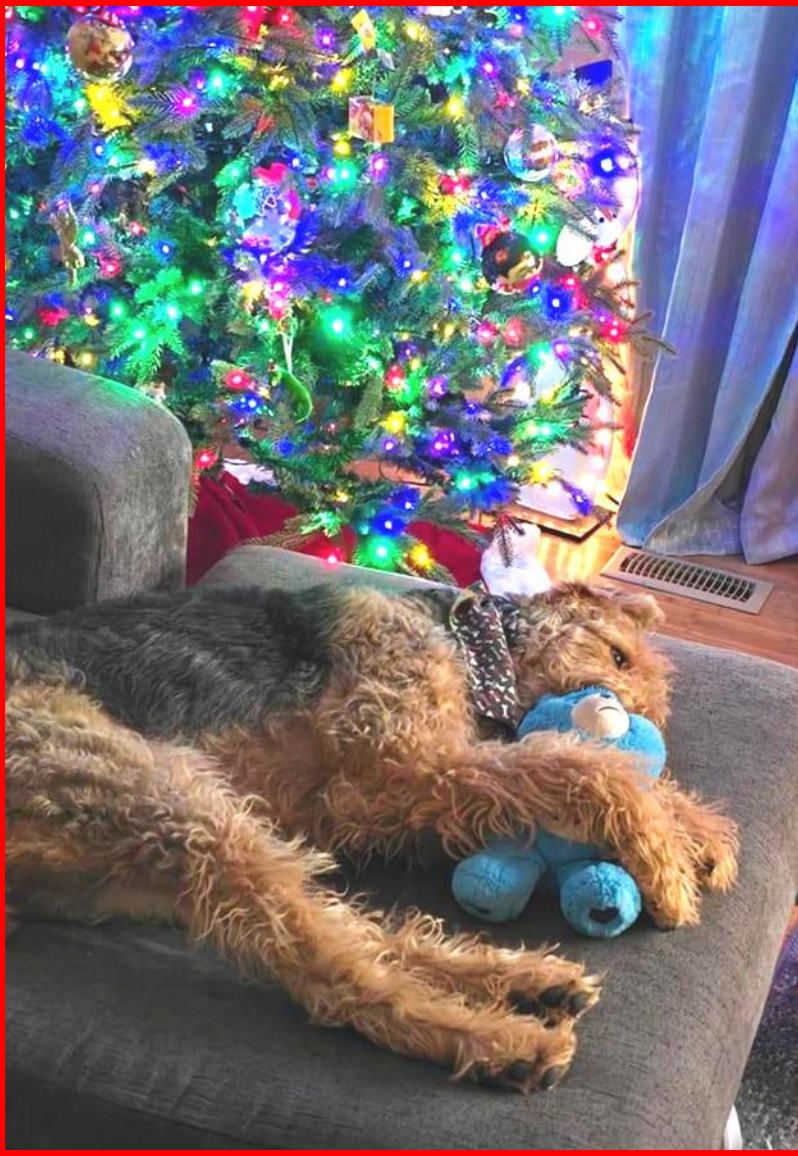


Today is Diesel's birthday. Thank You for letting him in our life.

Happy 7th Birthday Diesel Ostrowsky!!

Dear Readers:

Please know that every dog placed by ARADV is remembered, as is every adopter. We would love to know how those dogs are doing, both the happy and the sad. Keep those letters and e-mails coming, and send your change of address to Deb at 609-313-4765 or by email at Deb.Ciancarelli@gmail.com.



The Airedales were
nestled all snug in their beds;
While visions of liver-
treats danced in their heads.

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