

THE AIREDALE

AN AMERICAN GOTHIC



Welcome to Minnesota!

Twin Cities Airedale Terrier Club and the Airedale Terrier Club of America are proud to co-host the Aug. 24-27, 2023, national celebration of our versatile Airedales -- "The King of Terriers!"

2023 ATCA NATIONAL FLOATING SPECIALTY WEEKEND

WELCOME

FROM YOUR HOSTS



Anne Barlow, President, ATCA

Welcome to the 2023 ATCA Floating National Specialty in Minnesota! You are in for a real treat this weekend with a wonderful host club, lots of Airedale judging, and Hunt Tests on Saturday. Other events this weekend include a hospitality gathering, a river cruise, and a banquet. There should be many goodies to be had throughout! When you see host club members that have worked so hard to make this weekend a special one, please tell them thanks for jobs well done! Have a great weekend, and I'll see you around the rings!

As president of the Twin Cities Airedale Terrier Club (TCATC), it's my honor to proclaim that our version of the Olympics is officially open—let the Airedale games begin! We've ordered the best Minnesota summer and imagined hospitality events to foster friendships. When you leave, take great memories of time spent with new and old friends, lots of photos and videos for social media, and a desire to stay connected with TCATC. After 48 years, we incorporated last year as a charitable, educational nonprofit to grow interest in owning, training, competing with, and breeding the King of Terriers. There is much to celebrate—this Floater weekend is a national showcase of purebred Airedale breed standards in conformation, obedience, and a first-ever, all-Airedale AKC Hunt Test. If you need anything that you didn't pack, isn't in the Welcome Bag, or the Hospitality Tent, please ask any Floater volunteer. Join us as champions of our versatile Airedale Terriers with this sincere invitation for you to visit TwinCitiesAiredale.org and join our club. Best wishes!



**Margie Sinex
President, TCATC**



It's been 23 years since ATCA's National Specialty last floated to Minnesota. We gather this weekend with long-time friends and many people newer to Airedales for an exciting schedule of social events and competitions. In addition to conformation and obedience shows, we are making history with the first AKC all-Airedale Hunt Test this weekend. Our large team of volunteers has worked hard for over two years to extend the spirit of "Minnesota Nice" to make this weekend special. We hope you enjoy our hospitality. Thanks for coming, and best wishes to everyone in competition and in friendships.

Richard Schlicht - ATCA Floater Coordinator

ATCA TROPHY

"THE BOWL"

For those of you who live here with us in Minnesota, the State of Hockey, you can appreciate the similarities between The Airedale Bowl, the most prestigious award of the Airedale Terrier Club of America, and Lord Stanley's Cup, the top prize of the National Hockey League.



A perpetual trophy, it has been in continuous competition since 1910 (with the exceptions of 1943, 1944, 1945, and 1946) and was valued 13 years ago, in 2010, in excess of \$38,000. The Airedale Bowl is awarded at the discretion of the Board of Directors of the Airedale Terrier Club of America to the Best of Breed Winner at ATCA Specialty shows. To commemorate the win, the names of the winning Airedale and its owners are engraved on silver plates around the base of the Bowl.

As the base fills, new layers are added. Today, the trophy stands nearly 6 feet.

Originally, the Bowl was on display at all ATCA Specialty shows. However, due to the damage incurred during shipping, the Board of Directors decided that the Bowl would only be allowed to travel to Specialty shows via land transportation and in the direct possession of an ATCA Board member or trophy chairperson. New airline-approved travel containers were made in 2000 for the Bowl, and it can again travel by air, although the preferred method is still land transport.

If you have never seen the Bowl in person, the TCATC encourages you to take the opportunity to do so during the Floater. It is a living historical record of the top Airedales since 1910.

(Information compiled from the Sixtieth Anniversary 1900-1960, Seventieth Anniversary 1900-1970, Eightieth Anniversary 1900-1980, One Hundredth Anniversary 1900 – 2000, and the One Hundred and Tenth Anniversary 1900 – 2010 Year Books)

JUDGES

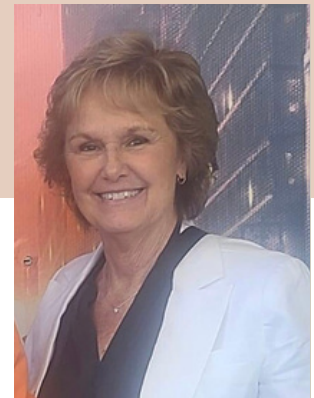
2023 ATCA FLOATER



Anne got her first Airedale in 1980 and is an active owner and breeder under the Spindletop banner. She has competed with her Airedales in Conformation, Agility, Coursing Ability, FastCAT, Scent Work, Trick Dog and Barn Hunt. Anne began judging Airedales in 2000. She judged the ATCA 2007 Floater in Ohio and the national specialty at Montgomery in 2015. She is approved to judge the Terrier and Hound groups and a third of the Sporting group. Along with the ATCA, Anne's memberships include the Bell County Kennel Club and North Texas Barn Hunters. Anne, a Baylor grad, owns and operates Countryside Pet Resort in Georgetown, Texas.

Floater Conformation Judge Anne Barlow

Jean has been a member of the ATCA since 1983 and has shown Airedales in conformation under the "Darbywood" prefix since 1984. Though her first Airedale earned an obedience title, her focus in Airedales is conformation and breeding. Jean's first homebred champion was CH Darbywood's Eye of the Tiger, one of the top-producing dams in breed history with 20 conformation champions to her credit. Darbywood has bred more than 50 conformation champions, including International and Grand Champions and several obedience champions. Jean is a 20+ year member of the Wisconsin Airedale Terrier Club and has been a member of her local all-breed club, Badger Kennel Club, since 1982.



Floater Regular and Veteran Sweepstakes Judge Jean Surfus

Floater Obedience/Rally Judge Karen J. Anderson



All of Karen's life, she has trained dogs. She also raised, trained, and showed horses for years. At age 9, Karen was mentored by a neighbor who competed in obedience. Thus began more than 25 years of training, showing, and judging obedience. Karen has trained and competed with several other breeds, including a Doberman and an Airedale, but in the 1980s, she acquired another Dobe and has had them ever since. Her dogs have earned many UD, HIT, HC RAE, and Scent Work titles in Canada. Karen's Dobs were honored as finalists in the Doberman Pinscher Club of America Top 20 Obedience.

JUDGES

2023 TCATC DESIGNATED



TCATC Conformation Judge Richard W. Powell

Involvement with purebred dogs most of his life, Richard started with English Cocker Spaniels before breeding and showing English Setters in his native England. His desire to exhibit and breed terriers took him to California to work for top handlers before establishing a kennel and small farm he and his wife, Sue, bought in Palmyra, Penn. Of the many terriers bred and shown, perhaps the best known were the Flatford and Hapitails Welsh terriers co-owned with the late Elizabeth Leaman. Richard has judged several national terrier specialties and taken various assignments in England, Europe, and South America. He is approved to judge the Terrier, Sporting, and Toy groups, several Working and Hound breeds, and Best in Show.

Rhae grew up with Dachshunds and switched to Airedale Terriers in the 1990s when she acquired Airedale Fairewood Arbutus Tiger (Arby). She jumped cluelessly into dog showing guided by professional handler Raymond Yurick, who showed Arby at 9 months to 'Best Puppy in Show' and a Group 2 on her first weekend out. In 1994, Rhae moved to Lincoln, Neb., where they established the Fyrebrick kennel and began breeding and showing. She's been a member of many dog clubs over time and a sweepstakes judge including TCATC in 2012. She's pleased to return to TCATC for the ATCA 2023 Floater.



**TCATC Regular and Veteran Sweepstakes Judge
Rhae Drijber**

HUNT JUDGES

2023 FLOATER WEEKEND

Susan, Menomonee Falls, Wisc., has been an AKC Spaniel Hunt Test Judge for many years. She judged for the ATCA Great Lake Floater Hunt Test in 2008 and for the ATCA Cooley Hunt Test in 2015. She and her husband, Bob, also an AKC Hunt Test Judge, often bring their English Cocker and Irish Water Spaniels to participate in our Cooley Hunt Tests. Susan and Bob were both very helpful during the application process when the ATCA was working on getting Airedales into AKC Spaniel Hunting Tests and on gaining TCATC's own license to hold those tests. This weekend, she marks history as Airedales hold the first All Airedale Hunt Test.



Hunt Judge Susan Sarracino-Deihl



Hunt Judge Dean Koehler

Dean, Shakopee, Minn., has been an AKC Spaniel Hunt Test Judge for many years. He was a judge at a Shiocton, Wisc., hunt test in 2009, the second hunt test that was possible for Airedales to enter, and seven Airedales entered. Many earned their first hunt test ribbons at that test. Dean, a Minnesota resident, and long-time Minnesota Hunting Spaniel Association member, makes himself available to train and has judged in tests where Airedales competed. Dean holds a distinguished place in history as a judge in this inaugural AKC All Airedale Hunt Test.

FIELD, WATER, FUR

A 3-IN-1 HUNTER

Of course, you want a spiffy dog. But it must also be good at upland hunting, retrieving, and fur tracking.

So how did the Airedale Terrier, originally a lowly hunter of rats and other vermin in the 1800s, rise from the most popular dog in the 1920s to the poster child of sass and class in the 1980s? Well, the application of the dog is the foundation of its breeding. First a hunter, the Airedale Terrier became so popular in the 1920s that some thought they were mean. Mothers warned, "You watch out for those dooly dogs!"

After a time of decreasing attention, in the 1980s, Linda Ronstadt was posing with a pair of Airedales depicting a jet-setting Lush Life on the cover of her album recorded with Nelson Riddle. The Airedale made a valuable statement to people who remembered the classics and the 'dales that went with them. Depicted with Miss Linda made them spiffy.

Enter hunting enthusiasts who were aware of the Airedales' foundation. A bit of research led to more research and discussions among those enthusiasts.

Names such as Dave Morgan, Randy Cooley, Karen Copley, and Scott Lichty figure into the path that has been more than 20 years in the making.

At the 2023 AKC Floater Banquet, Scott Lichty will share the history and future of the ATCA Hunting and Field Committee. This hunting competition makes history as the inaugural all-Airedale AKC hunt test in the U.S.



Scott Lichty

EVENTS

SCHEDULE

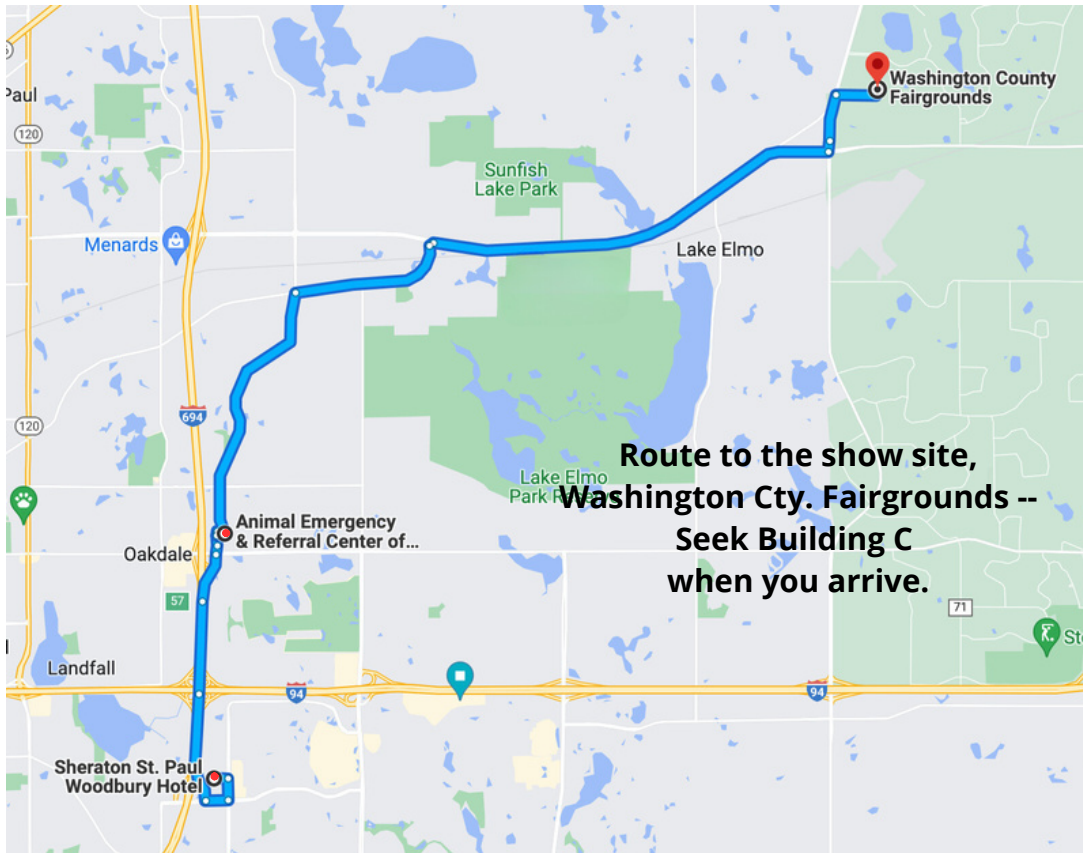
Date/Day/Time	Description	Address and Directions
Retriever Training Aug. 24, Thur., 2-6 pm	Expose dogs to AKC retriever test scenarios similar to advanced tests. People whose dogs are not as advanced are welcome--the exercises will be altered to match skill levels.	Kelley Land & Cattle Co. 10 mi N of MN 36 on Manning Tr. (North of Stillwater) 15710 Manning Tr. N. Marine-on-St. Croix, MN 55047
North Star Terrier Assoc. Specialty Aug. 24, Thur. Sweeps: 9:05 am Obedience: 10 am Regular classes: 3:05 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Conformation, Ring 17, Bldg. C• Regular and Veteran Sweepstakes• Conformation & Jr. Showmanship• NOHS Group• Obedience & Rally, Ring 13	Washington Cty. Fair Grounds 12300 40th St N Lake Elmo, MN 55042
ATCA National Floating Specialty Aug. 25, Fri. Obedience: 8 am Sweeps: 10 am Regular classes 11:05 am	Annual ATCA Floater in Minnesota Fairgrounds Bldg. C <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Obedience: Ring 13• Conformation and Sweeps: Ring 17	Washington Cty. Fair Grounds 12300 40th St N Lake Elmo, MN 55042
Inaugural AKC Hunt Test for Airedale Terriers Aug. 26, Sat., 8 am	Fully licensed AKC Spaniel Hunt test on land and in water for Airedales only.	Good Go Ing Kennels 1188 192nd St Baldwin, WI 54002
TCATC Designated Specialty Aug. 26, Sat. Sweeps: 10 am Regular Classes: 10:55 am	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Regular and Veteran Sweepstakes• Conformation Classes	Washington Cty. Fair Grounds 12300 40th St N Lake Elmo, MN 55042
AKC Retriever Hunt Test Aug. 27, Sun., am & pm	Northern Flight Retriever Assoc. 10 mi N of MN 36 on Manning Ave (North of Stillwater)	Kelley Land & Cattle Co. 15710 Manning Tr. N. Marine-on-St. Croix, MN 55047
SCVVC All-Breed Show Aug. 27., Sun., 11 am	St. Croix Valley Kennel Club Airedale Conformation Judge Ken Murray	Washington Cty. Fair Grounds 12300 40th St N Lake Elmo, MN 55042

HOSPITALITY

INFORMATION

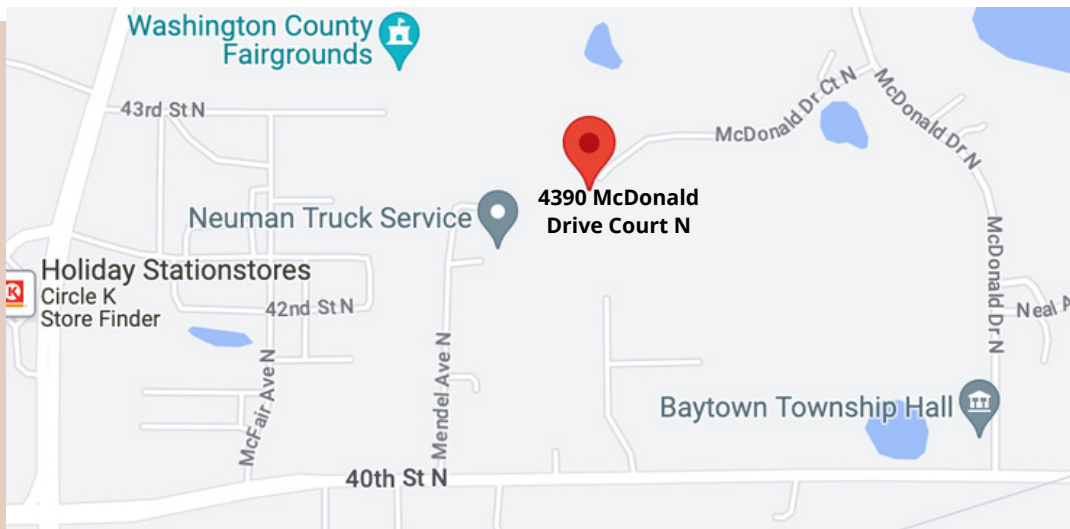
Date/Day/Time	Description	Address and Directions (See pgs 9 and 10 for additional information)
Hospitality Night Aug. 23, Wed., 5-8 pm	Uprights mix and mingle before the big weekend of competition.	Sheraton St.Paul/Woodbury 676 Bielenberg Dr. Woodbury, MN 55125
Continental Breakfast Aug. 25, Fri., 7-9 am	Specialty morning in the RV area outside Building-C	Washington Cty. Fair Grounds 12300 40th St N Lake Elmo, MN 55042
Paddleboat cruise/dinner Aug. 25, Fri., 5:30 pm queue , 6 pm cast off, 8:30 pm landing	Don't miss the boat! Take in picturesque Stillwater and the river valley. *See pg. 10 for dog boarding	Stillwater River Boats 525 South Main St. Stillwater, MN 55082
Continental Breakfast Aug. 26, Sat., 7-9 am	Specialty morning in the RV area outside Building-C	Washington Cty. Fair Grounds 12300 40th St N Lake Elmo, MN 55042
Banquet Aug. 26, Sat., 5:30-9 pm	Dinner, awards, words of welcome, silent and live auctions, and drawing for sponsor prize.	The Outing Lodge at Pine Point 11661 Myeron Rd. N (Cty. Rd. 61) Stillwater, MN 55082
Vineyard tour & jazz concert Aug. 27, Sun., Noon-6 pm Many thanks to Nan Bailly, a major sponsor of the Floater weekend.	Tasting room, picnic grounds, sculpture park, bocce ball courts, and Jazz. abvwines.com	Alexis Bailly Vineyard 18200 Kirby Ave. S. Hastings, MN 55033
Drop-by social hosted by Dick and Diane Schlicht Aug. 27, Sun., 3-8 pm	Come-as-you-are for provided light snacks and soft beverages	Schlicht Lodge 9762 230th St E Lakeville, MN 55044-8292

**Minnesota has two seasons: Winter & Road Construction!
See the insert sheet for helpful tips on getting around.**

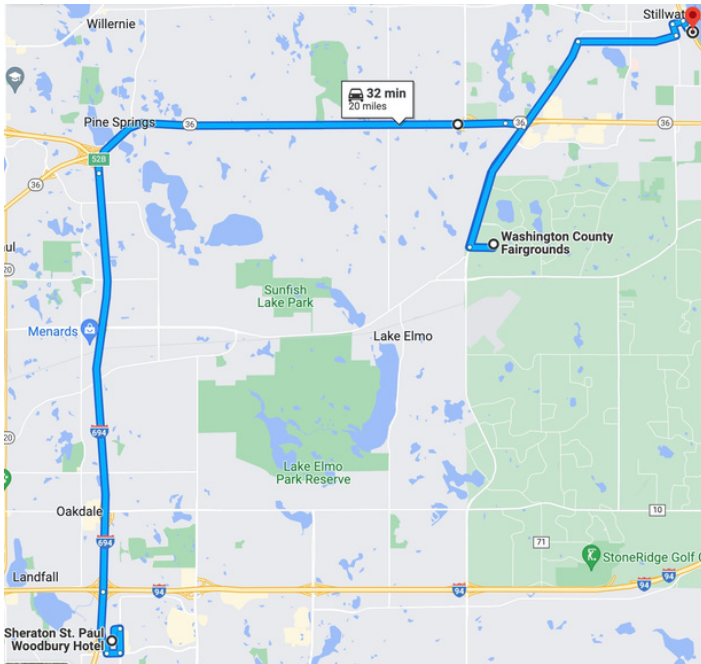


***A place to park your dogs while you cruise**

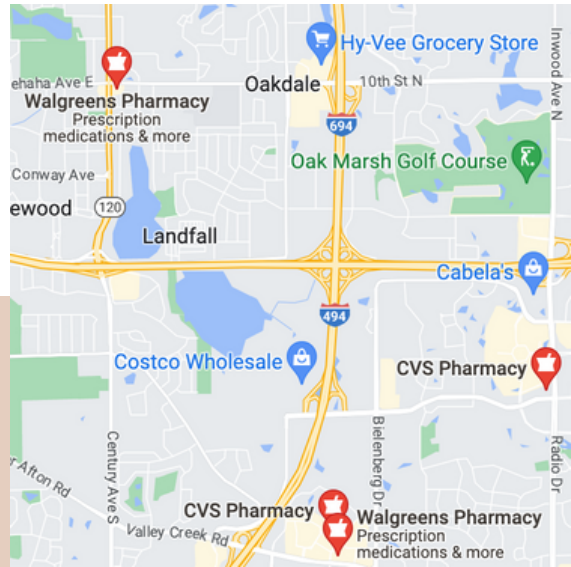
TCATC members Bryce Erban and Lori Hakala have graciously donated their house/garage at 4390 McDonald Drive Court N, Stillwater, for dog lodging for Friday night's boat outing. Margie Sinex will be chilling with your dogs during the boat trip so that you can enjoy yourselves without worry. Dogs are expected before you queue at the boats. Have their crates, water buckets, and whatever else you feel they need to be comfortable. For safety, dogs will not be let out or interact with one another during this time. Margie will ensure the dogs are comfortable and fill the water as needed. **If you need to use this service and haven't done so already, please talk to Margie at the show or call her at 507-398-4558.**



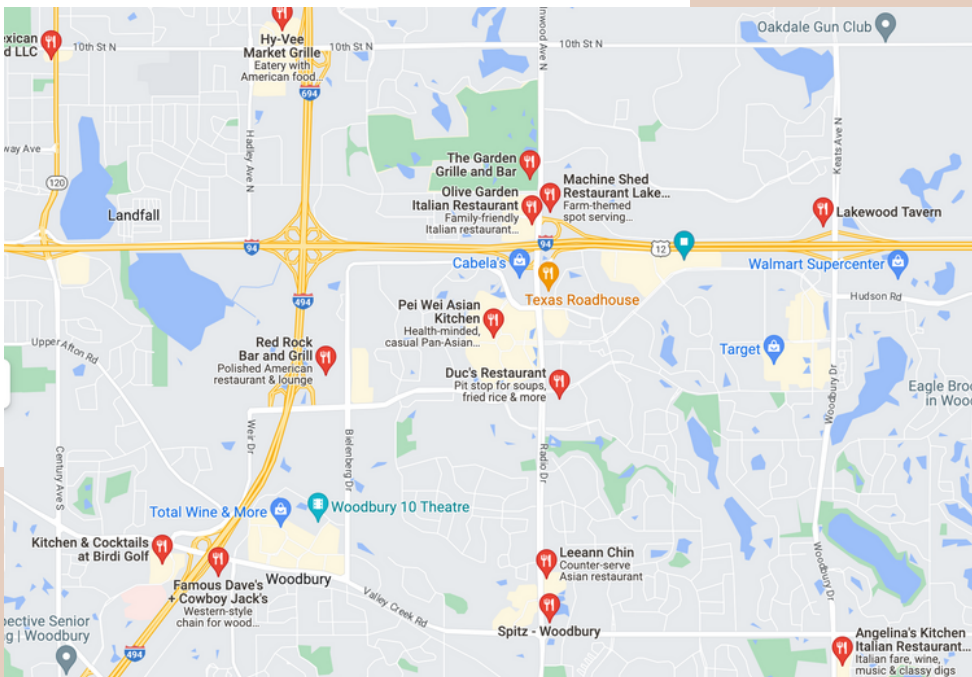
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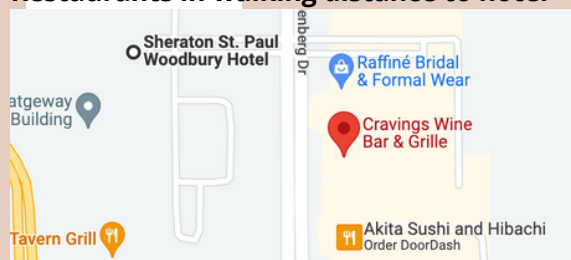
Rx and Grocery in area



Restaurants in driving distance to hotel



Restaurants in walking distance to hotel



JORDAN PESTA

A SPECIAL TALENT

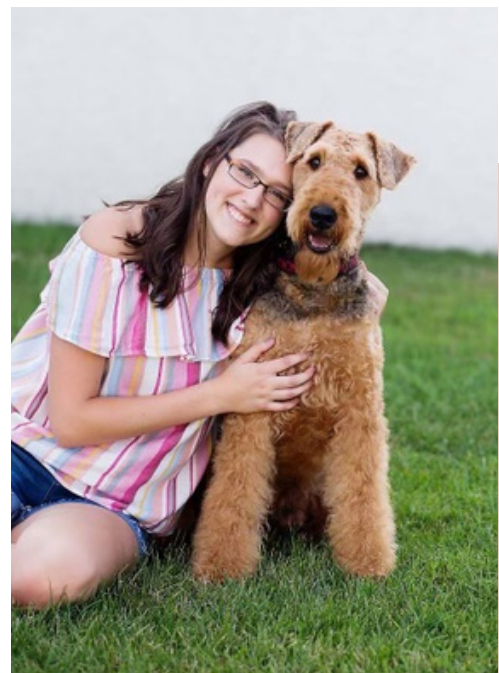
TCATC is proud to introduce new talent to Airedale art collectors. Meet Jordan Pesta, who created the commissioned Airedale homage to Grant Wood's American Gothic and the Versatile Airedale Series for our Club's fundraising. Meet her at Saturday's Banquet, where she will draw the winner of her oil painting that became the Floater logo.



Don't go home without your set of Versatile Airedale tumblers! This weekend only, \$20/each or \$75/four.

Jordan says, "I graduated from the Alexandria College Communication Art & Design Program, where I fell in love with oil painting, skilled in illustrative skills, and learned graphic design tools. I'm working professionally as an embroidery digitizer and accepting commissions for custom work. Animals are my specialty, and Airedales are my favorite."

Jordan Pesta
jordanpesta@icloud.com .



AIREDALE

THE WINE

A Special Floater-Label Wine, I'll Drink to That, CHEERS!

Twin Cities Airedale Terrier Club (TCATC) offers a limited edition of custom-labeled wines commemorating the national Floater's return to Minnesota. Enjoy the wildly popular Country Red and Country White Wines grown and bottled by award-winning vintner Nan Bailly of Alexis Bailly Vineyard in Hastings, MN. Her father, David, raised the first wine-worthy grapes in the cold north and coined "Where the Grapes Can Suffer" as he successfully bottled the first fine wine in Minnesota. Alexis Bailly Vineyard this Sunday to enjoy the tasting room, picnic grounds, sculpture park, bocce ball courts, and Jazz concert at 18200 Kirby Ave. S. Hastings, MN 55033. For more information, visit info@abvwines.com.



Nan and TCATC members Wendy and Bill Wustenberg of Windswept Hill Farm are friends, rural neighbors, dog lovers, and donors to good causes. Together, they enjoy designing custom bottles for very special events. Pesta's painting inspires the front label created by Nan's artist husband, Sam Haislet. Thanks to all these gifts and the generous donation of front labels from Lofton Label in Inver Grove Heights, MN, all proceeds benefit the 2023 Floater Weekend.

A few fun facts:

- The "dog collar" on the bottles was hand-sewn by a famous maker of fine leather dog collars in Florida for a high-end Barbie clothing designer in Atlanta.
- The neck of a wine bottle is the same size as Barbie's waist.
- The Jordan Pesta Tumblers hold 30 ounces at temperature, hot or cold.
- The wine and tumblers are for sale all weekend.

We hope our Floater '23 merch becomes a conversation piece in your Airedale collection, whether full or empty!



THANK YOU

SPONSORS

What's a Floater Without Some Cool Swag?

Your Floater Welcome Book is a gift from the TCATC's Board, designed by Susan Widmar of Write To The Point. The Floater Tote was made and filled with goodies by Margie Sinex and Wendy Wustenberg. Gifts are from ProPlan, Animal Emergency and Referral Center of Oakdale, Minn. Visit our other sponsors, Isle of Dogs, and Rustic Acres Pet Treats who are vendors here!



Our Original Floater Logo Painting May Go Home With You



This amazing painting will be given away at the banquet on Aug. 26. Jordan Pesta was commissioned to create the 2023 ATCA Floating Specialty painting, prominently associated with the event throughout the weekend.

Proceeds of sponsorship support the events of the 2023 Floater and the goals of ATCA and TCATC promoting the preservation of Airedale Terriers. Join the fun and help support our event by donating \$10 today! Your name will be added to the Sponsor Board, and you'll have a chance to win the painting.

Ace sponsor recruiters Sue Zimmer and Donna Paneitz will accept sponsorships all weekend until the dinner starts. Stay by your phone if you can't make the banquet.

TCATC

COMMITTEE/DIRECTORS

The Minnesota Floater Committee

Floater Committee Chair: Les Lueck
ATCA Floater Coordinator: Dick Schlicht
ATCA Bowl/Trophy Logistics: Dick Schlicht (Chair)
Floater Judges Arrangements: Dick Schlicht, Les Lueck (Co-Chairs), Diane Schlicht
Floater Fundraising Committee: Margie Sinex, Jen Schultz, Wendy Wustenberg (Co-Chairs)
Hunting/Working Weekend Activities Chair: Scott Lichty
Sheraton Host Hotel Grounds Maintenance Chair: Mary Schuster
Wednesday Sheraton Hospitality Night: Les Lueck
Floater Weekend Hospitality Totes: Margie Sinex, Susan Widmar, Wendy Wustenberg (Co-Chairs)
with the Twin Cities Airedale Terrier Club Board (Sponsors)
Friday/Saturday Show Ring/Grooming Area Cleanup Chair: Mary Schuster
Friday Morning Continental Breakfast Chair: Nancy Firth
Banquet Centerpieces and Welcome Chair: Alice Leighton
"Burma Shave" Poetry Competition Chair: Wendy Wustenberg
Friday Evening Paddleboat Cruise: Les Lueck, Mary Schuster (Co-Chairs)
Saturday ATCA/TCATC Banquet Logistics Chair: Les Lueck
Webmaster Wizard: Sue Reimund

This weekend, you will meet many volunteers in many roles across all venues. We are grateful to every person who agreed to help in advance and all who stepped in to help in any way during the busy days of this celebration.

The Twin Cities Airedale Terrier Club Board of Directors

Margie Sinex, President
Wendy Wustenberg, Vice President
Alice Leighton, Treasurer
Jen Schultz, Secretary
Melissa Sonnenberg
Nancy Firth
Sue Basham
Marion Pierson, Emeritus Director



Help Us Triage Your Pet

Find your pet's malady on the list below. Call either our Oakdale or St. Paul hospital to confirm your pet's status, hear which colors we're currently seeing, and receive a recommendation on the most appropriate course of action!

RED

TRUE EMERGENCY

- Respiratory distress
- Collapse/can't get up
- Straining to urinate - blood in urine in male cat
- Active seizures - cluster seizure - Status epilepticus
- Severe trauma (hit by car, animal attack, severe/multiple injuries)
- Profuse bleeding from wound
- Snake bite
- Persistent non-productive retching
- Trouble during active labor

ORANGE

URGENT

- Persistent/ severe vomiting
- Appetite loss for more than 24 hours
- Known foreign body ingestion causing illness
- Aggressive coughing w/out distress
- Multiple seizures within a 24-hour period, but not actively seizing
- Diarrhea paired with vomiting or loss of appetite
- Toxin ingestion

YELLOW

SEMI - URGENT

- Vomiting (2 or fewer episodes)
- Acute diarrhea without vomiting
- Straining to defecate
- Witnessed ingestion of foreign body with no signs of illness
- Blood in urine/straining to urinate in a dog or female cat
- Small wounds or lacerations
- Non-productive cough but breathing fine otherwise
- Broken toenails
- Squinting/eye discharge/ significantly swollen eye
- Allergic reactions (facial swelling, hives)
- Limping
- Witnessed ingestion of rat bait
- Mild trauma/single injury

GREEN

NON - URGENT

- Itching/Scratching
- Chronic weight loss
- Chronic illnesses/diseases with no recent change in condition
- Hair loss
- Red eyes/skin/ears
- A single seizure with full recovery

Our Oakdale Emergency Room is conveniently located between the host hotel and the Washington County Fairgrounds.

ALWAYS OPEN

Phone: (651) 501-3766
1160 Helmo Ave. N.
Oakdale, MN 55128



ALWAYS OPEN

Phone: (651) 293-1800
1542 W 7th St.
St. Paul, MN 55102