

Top UK Norwich Kennel produces first Norfolk Litter

The Thrumpton prefix registered by Mrs. Pauline Ford for Labradors in 1964, being the same name as her home village in Nottinghamshire, later jointly owned with her husband Mr. Bill Ford for Norwich Terriers, their first homebred Champion Thrumpton's Lord Redwood (Timber) was the top Norwich stud dog in the United Kingdom from 1974 thru 1977 inclusive, and again in 1980 and 1981, he sired 13 Champions one being Ch Lord Timberson who arrived in the USA and left his mark with the Windy Hill Norwich shown exclusively by Peter Green and owned by Johan Ostrow. The Ford's bred Int'l Ch Thrumpton's Lord Brady, top winner all breeds in the USA, who produced Ch Royal Rock Don of Chidley, owned by Joan Read and who changed the look of the Norwich Terrier as we know it today. The Fords were the top winning kennel, and top breeders of Norwich Terriers for a second run of 4 years from 1974 to 1977 owners and/or breeders of 11 Norwich champions winners of 47 Challenge Certificates. The owner of one Champion Norfolk Terrier, bred by Marjorie Bunting, Ch Ragus Bitter Shandy of Thrumpton, who was bred to Ragus Bitterman (sire of Elve Pure Magic (TG)) which resulted in Thrumpton's Lady Pauline on December 21, 1977, who I am happy to say was sent to me in Virginia and stayed with me for all of her 15 years. Mrs. Ford never bred another Norfolk litter again, so I am extremely proud to share the following:

The Last Norwich & Norfolk Terrier Club Drop-Ear – Prick-Ear Match Show 1978

Thrumpton Lady Pauline at 9 months was Best Puppy beating both D.E. and P.E. under a very rare judging assignment, Constance S. Larrabee (Kings Prevention) Bill Ford happen to be visiting the USA during this lovely win which added to his memorable visit.



FRANK ROGERS, BEST PUPPY, JUDGE



OWNER FRANK ROGERS, JUDGE CONSTANCE LARRABEE, BREEDER BILL FORD WITH BEST PUPPY

JUDGE'S REPORT

It was a pleasure and a privilege to judge our Match. I would like to thank the exhibitors for the large entry and a unique day.

D.E. Puppies, 3-6 mos. (7)—The winner had type and was sound coming and going. None in perfect coat. Eyes and temperament good. Overall, would like to see more bone.

D.E. Puppies, 6-9 mos. (7)—A uniform, well-presented group. All good top-lines. The winner placed on quality, type and was a beautiful mover.

D.E. Puppies, 9-12 mos. (4)—First a lovely type in excellent condition. Second a sound dog; should do the breed a lot of good.

D.E. Puppies, 12-18 mos. (3)—An uneven class. All with good bites. Winner won on soundness; unfortunate tail docked too short.

Best D.E. Puppy and Best Puppy—A born showgirl. Well put down. Excellent in head and expression.