

9/2/2026

Meeting Agenda

- Juniors Bake Sale
- Community Project!
- New Committee Heads
- Finance Overview
- Committee Call – Fundraising Committee
- Upcoming events
- Set next meeting
- Breed Spotlight – Rat Terriers



Juniors Bake Sale

Coordinators: Lauri Comstock & Payton Pease

- Will take place Saturday November 7th, 2026 during the 2026 Fall Festival.
- Club members will donate baked goods. The juniors will sell them!
- Proceeds from juniors bake sale go into a separate pool of money to fund their future community improvement projects.
- A sign up sheet will be out soon for those wanting to help provide baked goods for the sale.

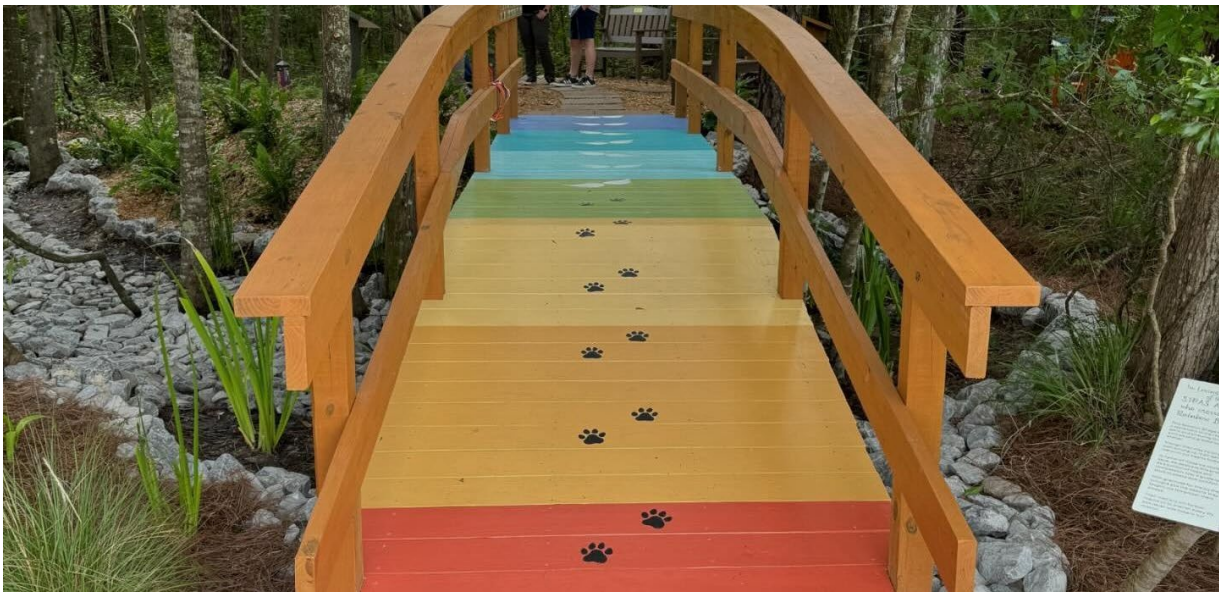


PFPD's First Community Project!

The Rainbow Bridge

- A **Rainbow Bridge memorial** in a public park is a dedicated, tranquil space where grieving pet owners can go to honor and remember their departed animal companions. It is inspired by the famous "Rainbow Bridge" poem, which comforts owners with the idea that their pets wait for them in a beautiful meadow before they are eventually reunited.





The Plan

- The Board will soon be approaching Shawnee Parks and Recreation to request to “adopt” an already existing bridge at the Lake Shawnee Arboretum for this project.
 - I know this is exciting, but no members should preemptively contact P&R before the Board does. We have a full proposal to submit to them and we want to WOW them from the first contact. We are sharing these plans and ideas with you in confidence – don’t break the board’s trust please! <3
- This proposed location is right across the street from Ted Ensley Gardens (where we had our April group walk) and only two minutes away from the Lake Shawnee Bark Park – two locations that are already heavily foot-trafficked by dog lovers.
- Adopting this already existing bridge will be substantially less of an investment than building a new one from scratch, and our improvements to the bridge will help beautify an existing area in our community as well as draw additional foot traffic to a less-visited area at Lake Shawnee; a win-win!
- If they decline we will explore other options for the bridge’s location.



Continuing the Love



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- Once the bridge is complete there will be a donation request space at the physical location.
 - Any income from that location will be placed into an ongoing sponsorship program through PFPD to assist people in need with the veterinary costs of euthanasia, cremation, and obtaining their pets ashes.
 - We are hoping to seek partnerships with local vets who can offer these expenses at reduced costs to allow our sponsorship to help as many as possible.

New Committee Head for Dock Jumping!

- Breana Bartlett has voluntarily stepped down from her committee head position due to time constraints from her new job and Tulene Farwell has stepped up to be the new Dock Committee Head!
- Welcome to Club Core, Tulene!
- Thank you to Bre for helping to launch the club and creating this committee, and congrats and good luck to Tulene! We're excited to see where you take the committee. 😊



New Committee Head for Nosework!

- Kelli Bausch has voluntarily stepped down from her committee head position due to the needs of her role as club Vice President and both Kloe Street and Laura McGowan stepped up to take her place.
- After an internal committee vote, Kloe was elected as the new committee head – but it was a very close race separated by only two votes!
- Welcome to Club Core, Kloe – we already know from our experience with your extensive involvement with our local Nosework community that you will be great.
- A huge thank you to Laura for stepping up to volunteer as well, as we all know that she is a strong pillar for the committee with her extensive experience.
- And lastly, thank you to Kelli for all of the previous hard work, and we're glad you're still sticking with the committee even if you aren't leading it. 😊

Club Finances



A Quick Overview



- Thanks to the Dock Jumping try-it, Weight Pull practice, and income from our merch shop we gained **+\$781.55** in funds in August 2026!
- This month we spent money on...

- \$400** Dock pool rental fees
- \$70** Legal fees
- \$34.55** Postage & delivery fees
- \$700** Facility rental feels (Fall Fest)
- \$423.67** Ribbon expenses (Fall Fest)
- \$400** Payback
- \$5.60** PayPal Fees

Total spent in August: -\$2033.82

(this is why we need fundraising/sponsorships, folks!)

The balance on the account on September 1st 2026 is **+\$2,705.70**



Committee Call

Fundraising Committee

What is the Fundraising Committee?

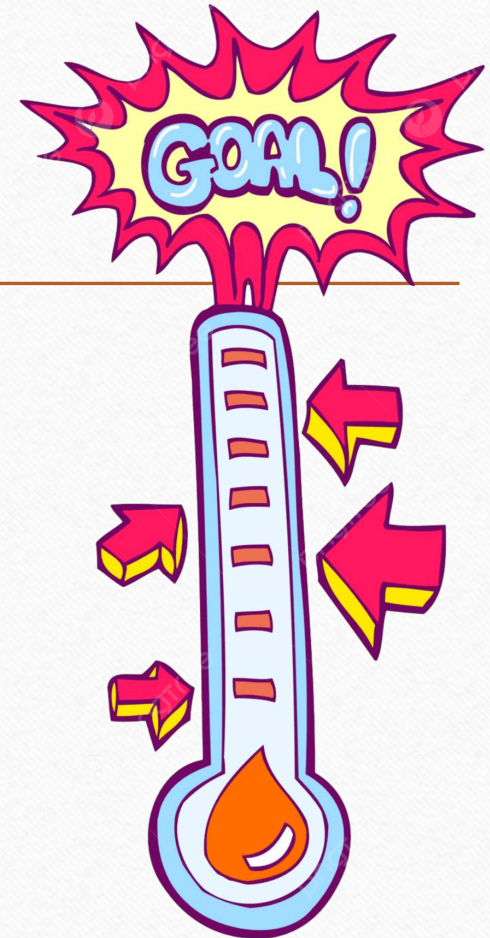
The fundraising committee makes connections to sponsors, both individuals and local businesses, and asks them for donations to our club. Often time those donations come with benefits to those people or businesses.

In order to host events like trials, competitions, and events as well as purchase necessary club equipment we need income.



The Process

- 1.) Identify the need. Are we raising money for a specific thing, or just to increase the general club nest egg? If a specific thing, how much \$ do we need in order to make it happen?
- 2.) Identify potential sponsors – think like a business! Who would benefit from giving us money and in what way? How can we market ourselves to them so that they feel like they are getting something of value by giving us money? Develop benefits to partnering with us.
- 3.) Build a list and start reaching out! We make contact first by email and then try to follow up in person. After our in-person meeting we touch base again via email. It usually takes 3 or more contacts to secure a donation – be persistent but not annoying!
- 4.) Keep careful track of donations so we can be sure our generous partner's end-of-year book keeping is as it should be.



Help Us!

- More money = more fun for PFPD!
- Members of the fundraising committee should be comfortable with reaching out and asking for sponsorships from local businesses, as well as organized to keep track of their contact lists and timelines.
- We work together as a team and divide the workload evenly amongst one another. You are not alone!



How can you get involved?

Join us on Discord!

Post in the fundraising-questions channel and let us know that you'd like to get involved – we will welcome you with open arms! Many hands make light work. 😊

Current members: Kali Mitchin & Maisy Barton



disability-committee-business

disability-committee-chat

disability-committee-questions

✓ Fundraising Committee

fundraising-committee-business

fundraising-committee-chat

fundraising-questions-and-ideas

✓ Juniors Program

juniors-program-business

juniors-program-chat

juniors-program-questions

🔊 Example voice channel



Upcoming Events



2026 PFPD FALL FESTIVAL

11/6/2026 – 11/8/2026

CLEAR YOUR CALENDARS!

WE NEED ALL HANDS ON DECK!

- Every single PFPD member will be required to assist in some fashion with creating this massive 3-day public event. Set up, tear down, stewarding, distributing flyers, making signage, baking etc. there is a job for everyone!

Location:

Northeast Kansas Heritage Complex

12200 214 Rd. Holton, KS 66463

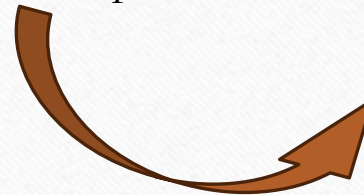
VOLUNTEER ROLES

CHECK YOUR EMAIL FOR THE SURVEY

Some roles have already been assigned! We still need help with...

- Advertising (grab some flyers to distribute – folks!)
- Coordinating food
- Running rings
- Set-up/Tear-down
- Moving equipment from storage locations to event
- Creating signage
- Making baked goods
- Trash cleanup, bathroom care
- Judge assistants
- Ribbon coordination/distribution
- Timers
- And more!!!!

The full list of volunteer roles is on the PFPD website! We encourage you to look at the list and choose your role(s) before the ones you'd prefer are filled. Everyone PFPD member is required to help in some shape or form!



This list is fluid and is subject to change as more needed roles are discovered



SPONSORS NEEDED
THIS EVENT WILL BE HUGE!
WE REQUIRE MORE FUNDING TO MAKE THIS HAPPEN



Calling all local businesses!

If you have or know of a local business who may consider supporting the PFPD Fall Festival please let the Fundraising Committee know. We will reach out to them (and name drop you if you think it'll help!) and show them what we're up to!

Opportunities for supporters include advertising rights, vendor booth reservations, displayed banners, social media promotions, award sponsorships and more!

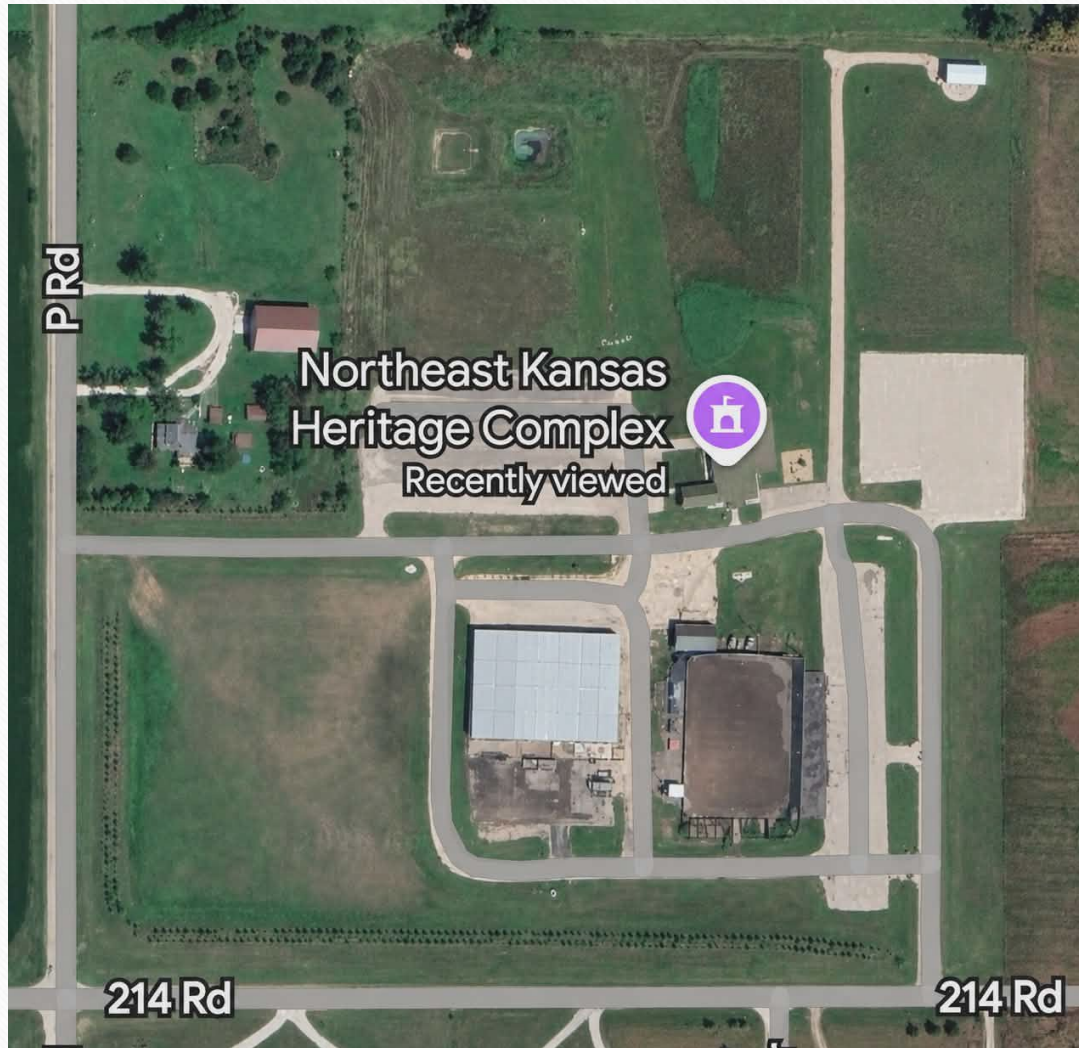
A share-able post about this should be out on Facebook before the end of the week. Its crunch time!

FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE:

Kali Mitchin (Lead)

Maisy Barton

Join us please, we need more help!



This is the
OFFICIAL start of
our club!

- **FRIDAY 11/6/2026:**
 - All-Sport Try-it Day
 - SPOT Testing (Official)
 - Barrel Racing Fundraiser
- **SATURDAY: 11/7/2026**
 - Conformation Fun Match
 - DASH/Steeplechase Fun Match
- **SUNDAY: 11/8/2026**
 - Rally Fun Match
 - Nosework Fun Match

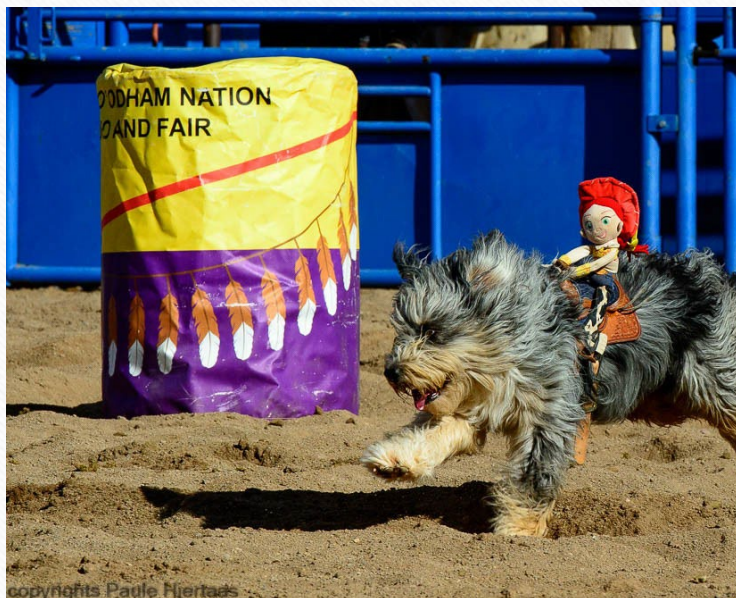
Barrel Racing Practice!

Every Sunday Up Until the Event

4:00 pm – 5:00 pm

- Where: Top City Dogs – 3494 KOA Rd
Grantville, KS 66429
- FREE – for members and non! Come practice running the barrels for our upcoming fundraiser event. We will teach you how to teach your dog, or if your dog already knows how come get some reps in! 😊





Canine Barrel Racing

November 6th 2026

- Our Barrel Racing fundraiser will be lumped in with the Fall Festival and will take place on Friday evening inside an arena used for ACTUAL barrel racing!
- 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winners will receive CASH PRIZES
- Rulebook will be out soon!

In Person Door-Raffle Time!

Thank you to PFPD member-owned local business Snooty Snacks for donating treats to our attendance raffle!

Want to win cool stuff?

Make sure you're at the next meeting in-person to qualify!



Check out more
of their awesome
single ingredient
dog treats!



NEXT CLUB MEETING

WEDNESDAY October 7th 2026

- Location: Wamego City Park
- 599 6th St #569, Wamego, KS 66547

Zoom call available

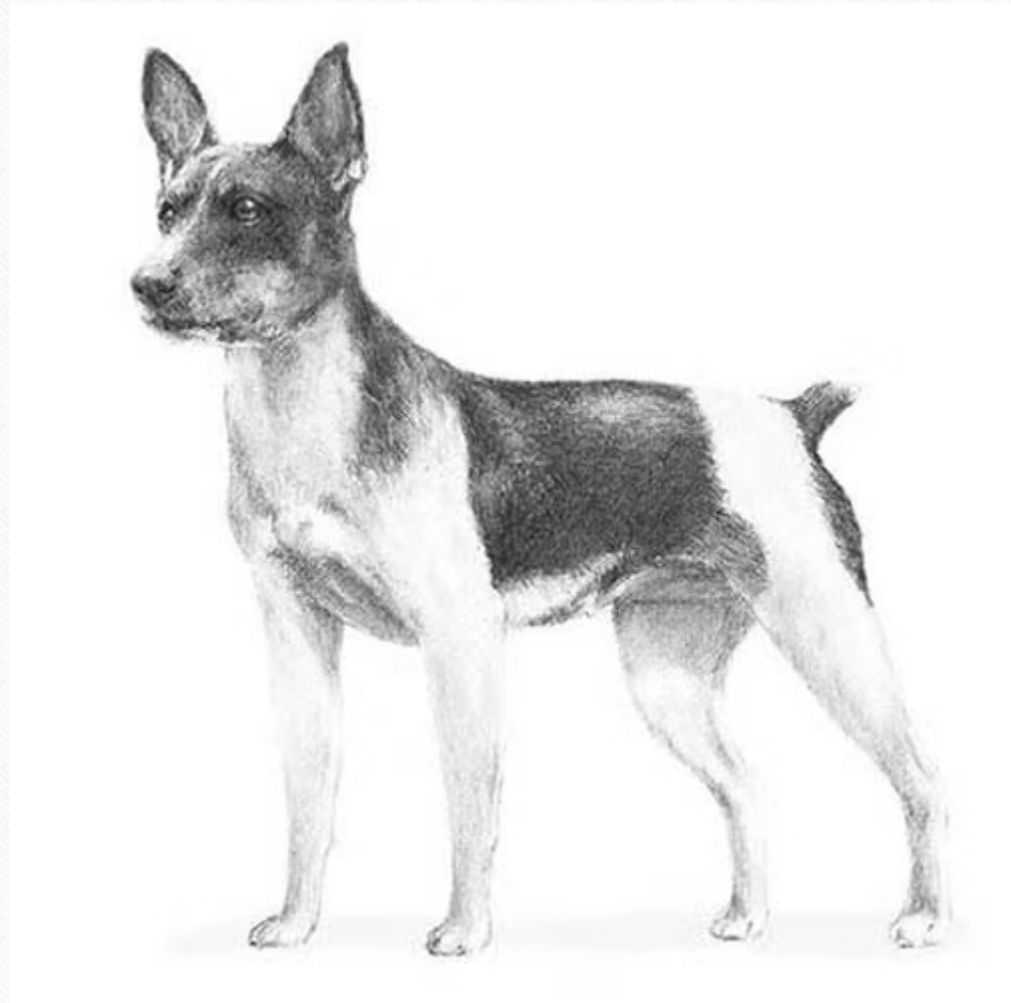
Time: 6:30 pm

- Agenda: Finalize volunteer roles for Fall Fest. Release Premium and Open Pre-registration for Fall Fest.



August 2026: Breed
Spotlight Presenter Is...

Payton Day
presenting
Rat Terriers



Meet the Member

My name is Payton Pease and I have been involved with the Rat Terrier breed for 2 years.

- I have had 3 Golden Retrievers and a couple of rescue mixes in the past.
- I came from the horse world and have been eventing for the past 6 years.
- I currently have one Rat Terrier mix named Marv.
- We compete in Scentwork, Agility, and Tricks.
- My favorite things about the breed is their versatility and personality.



Breed Origin & History

- The Rat Terrier breed was first founded in the United States and first recognized by UKC in 1999.
- The original purpose of this breed was hunting rats.
- The modern role that the breed plays is a family companion, sport competitor, and pest management.



Breed Origin & History

Some cool facts about the breed:

They were popularized by President Teddy Roosevelt who hunted with his own Rat Terriers.

The breed was created by crossing multiple types of terriers and other dogs including the Smooth Fox Terrier, Manchester Terrier, the now extinct White English Terrier, Whippets, Beagles, and Italian Greyhounds.

In the 1910s and 20s, these terrier mixes were one of the most common farm dogs in America.



The Breed Standard – Physical

“Muscular, active, small to medium hunting terrier...that moves with a jaunty air that suggests agility, speed, and power”



The Breed Standard – Physical

13”-18” tall – weight depends on size but they are working dogs and should be in **muscular condition**.

Head is broad, slightly domed, and wedge shaped.

Ears are V-shaped and can be erect or buttoned.

Can have a natural **tail** in upward curve, natural bob tail, or docked tail.

Variety of accepted **colors**, but they must have some white on them. Can be solid white, tricolor, or bicolor.



The Breed Standard – Physical

Faults:

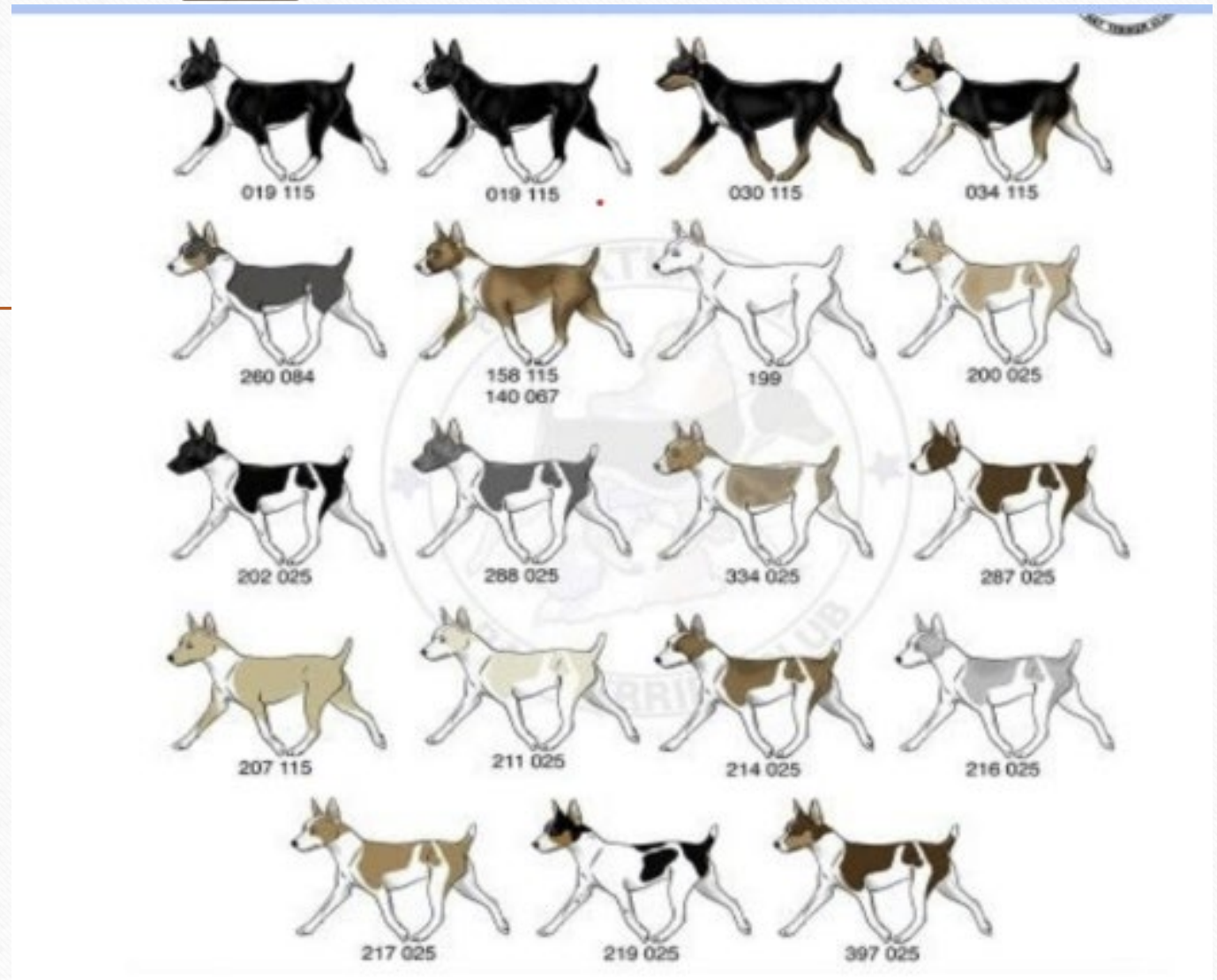
- Abrupt stop to the head
- “Apple head”
- Missing teeth
- Overshot, undershot, or snipey muzzle
- Non-matching ear carriages, rose ears, or tulip petal ears.
- Deep set eyes
- Bent tail
- Height over 19”

Disqualifications:

- Unilateral or bilateral deafness
- Albanism
- Short legs resulting in variation of the 10:9 body ratio
- Hanging ears
- Wire, long, or broken coat
- Brindle, merle, or absence of white
- Bi-color where neither color is white

The Breed Standard – Physical

Coat color examples!



The Breed Standard – Temperament

“The Rat Terrier has sometimes been described as having a dual personality. He is a fearless, tenacious hunter with seemingly unlimited energy. When he is not hunting, however, the Rat Terrier is an exceptionally friendly companion, getting along well with children, other dogs, and even cats.”



The Breed Standard – Temperament

Important traits that identify the breed:

- Curious
- Intelligent
- Easy to train
- Enjoy human companionship immensely

“Stubborn, sensitive, high prey drive, and clingy.

Faults/DQs: Overt aggression or excessive shyness.

Common misconceptions: They don't get along with cats or other small animals.





Breed Health: Common Concerns

Rat Terriers are generally hardy dogs that can enjoy a long, healthy life of 12-18 years.

- Primary Lens Luxation (PLL)
- Cataracts
- Patellar Luxation
- Skin Allergies

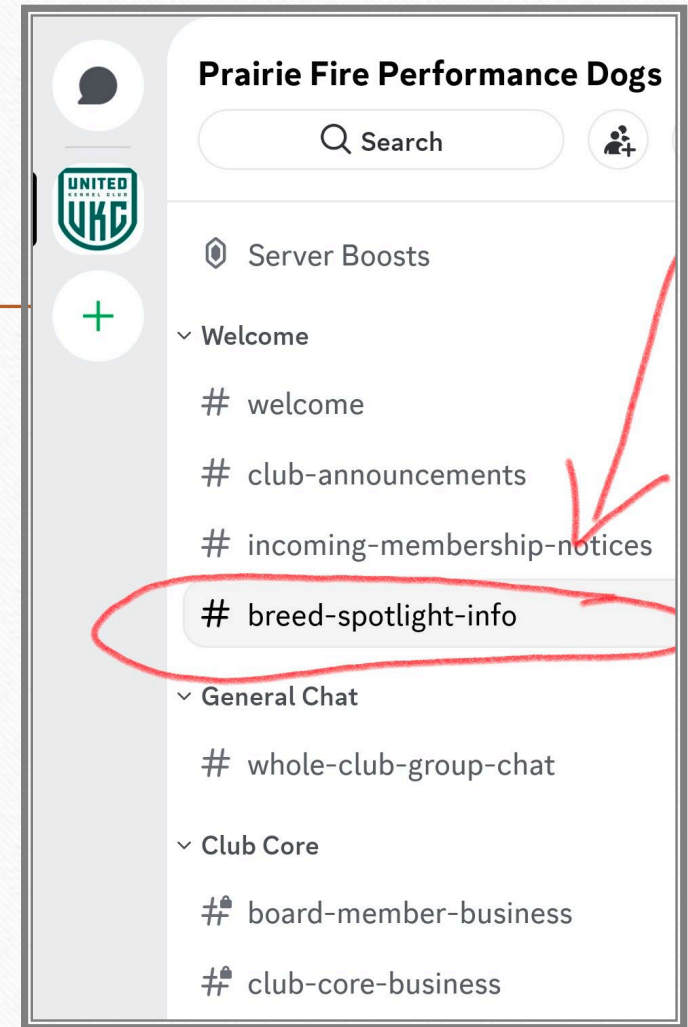
Meet Your Local Rat Terrier (Mix)!

- This is Marv! He is 2.5ish years old, weighs 30lbs, and is 17.5" tall.
- He is a Rat Terrier/Jack Russel Terrier mix, but leans more towards Rat Terrier.
- Marv came from the streets of North Topeka
- Current Sports: agility, scentwork, barnhunt, flyball, tricks, AKC fetch, FastCAT, and FitDog.
- Fun Fact – He LOVES blankets! He has multiple blankets around the house he likes to cuddle with and bury toys in.



Want to Present Your Breed?

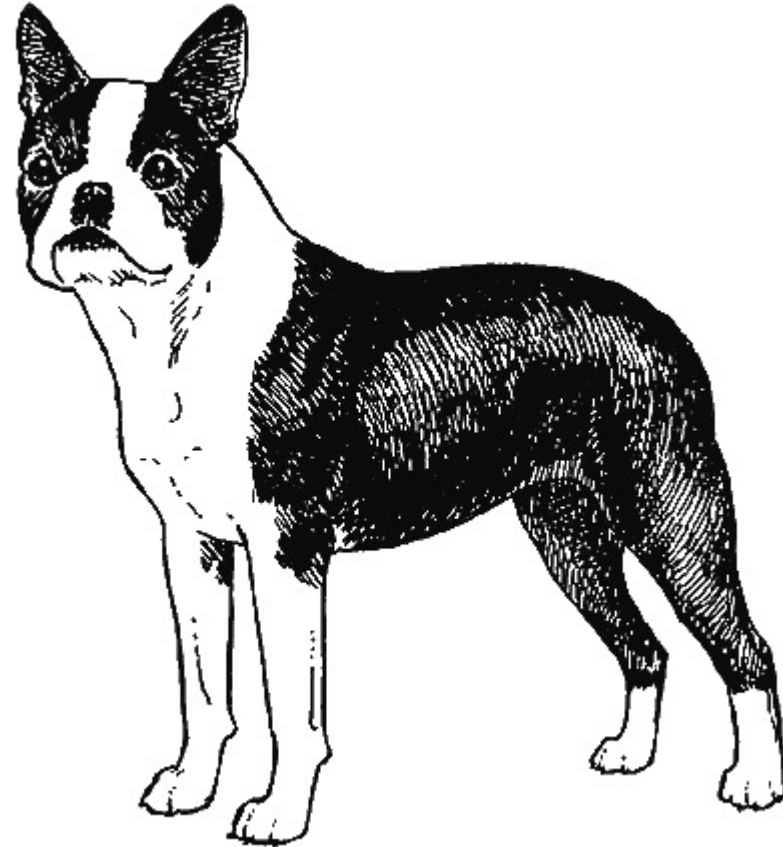
Post in the appropriate Discord channel and we will add your info to the draw pool!



October 2026: Breed
Spotlight Presenter Is...

Allison Shore

presenting
Boston Terriers



Breed Spotlight Tracking

Each breed can only be presented once every 24 months

March 2026 – Labrador Retrievers (Laura McGowan)	September 2026 – Rat Terriers (Payton Day)	March 2027 – Old English Bulldogs (Kali Mitchin)	September 2027 -
April 2026 – Hungarian Mudi (Ashleigh Hamilton)	October 2026 - Boston Terriers (Allison Shore)	April 2027 -	October 2027 -
May 2026 – Swedish Vallhunds (Tulene Farwell)	November 2026 – PFPD Fall Fest – No Breed Spotlight	May 2027 -	November 2027 -
June 2026 – Silken Windhounds (Kassandra Andrews)	December 2026 – Whippets (Katherine Smale)	June 2027 -	December 2027 -
July 2026 – German Shepherds (Khelsea Loh)	January 2027 –Field Spaniels (Shuu Oberdorf)	July 2027-	January 2027 -
August 2026 – American Pit Bull Terriers (Cheryl Rauh)	February 2027 – Fox Terriers (Ashleigh Hamilton)	August 2027 -	February 2027 -



Questions?
Lets Hear Them!