



Teddy Trails



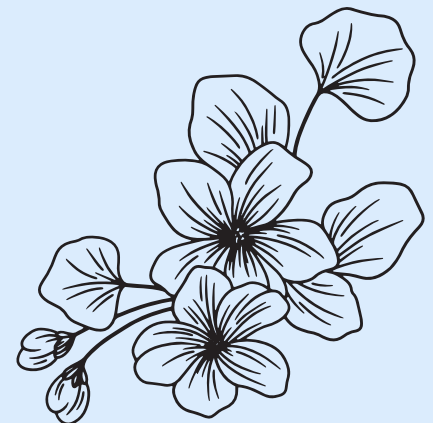
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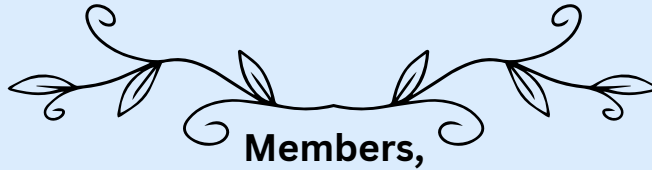
#TeamTeddy at the UKC Southern Classic

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President's Message



In case you were unaware, after serving four years as secretary and briefly as vice president, on March 2, 2024 I was moved up to the position of UTRTCA president by the board of directors. The other current officers are as follows: Deb Botruff is our vice president, Jillian Berninger is secretary, Laura Upton is treasurer, and the board members are John Tuschner, Rosie Swanson, and Sheila Mesick. A few of the things the board has been working on are as follows:

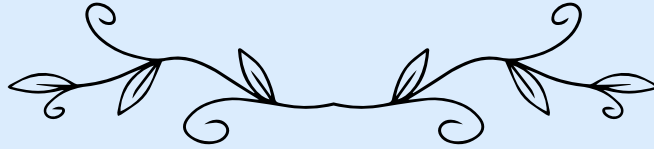
Looking forward planning is actively in the works to hold the UTRTCA National Breed Specialty in conjunction with the Illinois Toy Fox Terrier Association in Peoria, IL October 3-6, 2024. The judge choices were first choice Joseph Gubry and second choice Lila Fast. As the parent club under UKC, we are required to hold a national specialty every two years. Specialties are a great time for healthy competition and fellowship amongst the exhibitors and we usually eat well so plan accordingly.

The Breeder Directory on the UTRTCA website has been updated. If I missed anyone, corrections need to be made, or any member is now a breeder please send the corrections/additions to utrtca@gmail.com and I will get it updated as soon as possible.

Bylaws are in the process of being updated. Deb Botruff is serving as the committee chair with the assistance of Jillian Berninger. We do need a general member to assist on the committee also, so if you are interested or have experience with bylaws and are willing to serve please let us know.

Our new secretary Jillian Berninger is also in charge of our newsletter Teddy Trails which is scheduled to come out quarterly. Please continue to send in brag photos, show achievements, articles of interest, available litters, and anything you may feel is of interest to members of the club for the newsletter. Please send submissions to utrtca@gmail.com.

President's Message



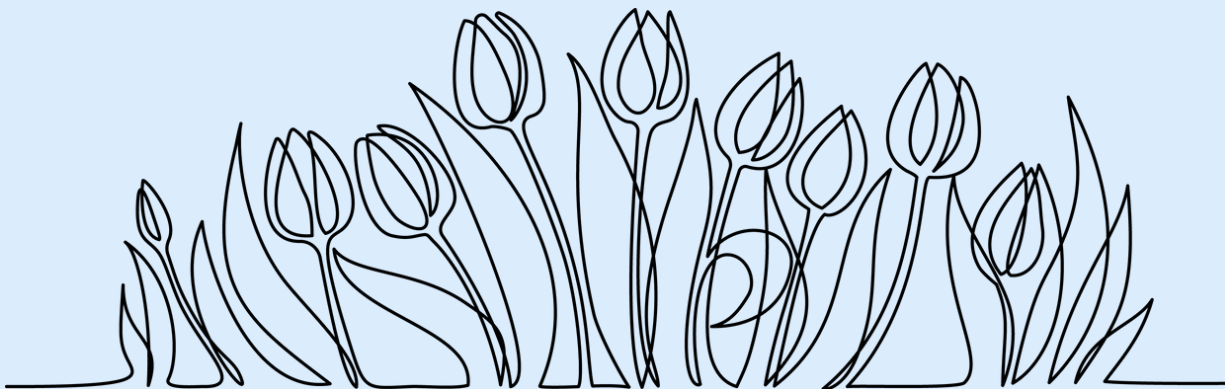
We are instituting a new social media policy to align with the expectations of cordial and sportsmanship behavior of the various registries. Once the final draft is approved by the board, it will be distributed via email to the membership. Please remember as members, breeders, and exhibitors we are the face of the breed. Our interactions with each other and the public need to be focused positively at all times - on or off social media.

It is my hope looking forward that a positive, inclusive, helpful group becomes Team Teddy. For clubs to stay viable it is a group effort working for the betterment of the breed, cheering each other on, encouraging new people to get involved, and educating the public.

If at any time you have questions or concerns, please contact the club via email at utrtca@gmail.com or you are welcome to contact me directly. I always enjoy talking all things Teddy with everyone.

Respectfully,

**Crystal Mudgett-Epley
UTRTCA President
270-731-7460**





Teddies in the News

Monty, owned by Chad and Jennifer Cunningham
bred by Crystal Mudgett-Epley

PET CORNER

When Dogs Fly: Little Monty's Big Moment

BY CHAD AND JENNIFER CUNNINGHAM, RESIDENTS OF WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP | PHOTOS PROVIDED BY CUNNINGHAM FAMILY

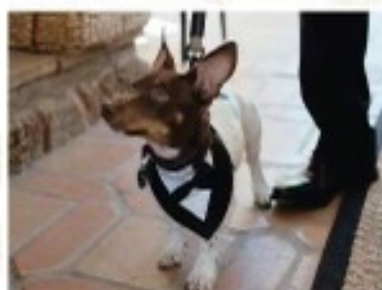
OVER TWO YEARS AGO we lost our previous dog, Henry (a shepherd mix). After much consideration we decided it was time for another dog. This time we wanted a lap dog—one small enough to fly with us on an airplane.

After a considerable amount of research (largely on Jennifer's part), we set up a meeting with a breeder in western Kentucky. We spent a day at a dog show, meeting her and several Teddy Roosevelt terriers, or "Teddies." They reminded us of Jack Russell terriers, but less hyperactive. We also liked the muscular look of this breed; you cannot break them! We connected with both the breed and the breeder; it felt like we were being interviewed as prospective parents, as much as we were interviewing her.

A few months later, the breeder let us know that there was a litter and that she had found a match for us! Last summer we picked up 10-week-old Monty in Bowling Green, Kentucky, at a reptile show. (The breeder also raises snakes and other reptiles.) He has had our hearts ever since.

Teddies are known for being very attached to their owners and for adjusting to their owners' energy and activity levels. We love this latter characteristic. Whether it's a walk around the neighborhood or late afternoon "couch time," Monty's ability to match our energy level is ideal for us.

As previously mentioned, the breed is famous for bonding with its human. Two days after getting Monty, Jennifer had to travel for a week. That left Monty and Chad lots of one-on-one time for bonding. Monty became (and continues to be) Chad's shadow. This was a bit hard for Jennifer to take upon her return. It took some time and extra effort to



balance the relationship; but through diligently engaging in Monty's favorite activities of fetch, tug and keep away—and occasionally bribing him with "Penny," his beloved cloth penguin—Jennifer was able to win him over.

And that flying requirement? Before turning 5 months old, Monty had already flown cross country, to attend a family wedding in Bodega Bay, California (near San Francisco). He did incredibly well on the flights and looked dapper wearing his own tuxedo.

Want your pet to be famous? Tell us what's special about your furry, feathered or finned friend, at soldham@bestversionmedia.com.

Braggs and Wags!

New UKC Grand Champion GRCH RACES ASPEN'S HOLD ON! I'M COMING

"Sam"

Owned by Deborah Botruff, Cindy Roberts,
and Kaye Stevenson
Bred by Deborah Botruff

New Precision Course title
Precision Coursing Superior (RACES)

Total Dog x3
UKC Southern Classic
Batesville, MS
May 3-5, 2024



New UKC Grand Champion GRCH Stone's Eye of the Tiger

"Mickey Jr."

Owned and bred by Shaleena Stone
Longview, TX
February 3, 2024



New UKC Champion CH Stone's Heading South

"Plug"

Owned and bred by Shaleena Stone
Longview, TX
February 3, 2024



New UKC Champion
CH Stone's The American Dream

"Rhodie"

Owned by Daniel and Jennifer Brown
Bred by Shaleena Stone

Norman, OK
April 28, 2024



New UKC Champion
CH Stone's Oklahoma Smokeshow

"Winnie"

Owned by Shaleena Stone and Madeleine Brown
Bred by Shaleena Stone

Norman, OK
April 28, 2024



New UKC Champion
CH Stone's Coal Boy

"Coal"

Owned by Larry and Candy Reed
Bred by Shaleena Stone

Norman, OK
April 28, 2024



New UKC Grand Champion

CH TMT's Sugar and Spice

"Pepper"

Owned and bred by Jenifer Robertson

UKC Midwest Classic

Columbia, MO

March 3, 2024



New UKC Champion

CH TMT's Aiming for the High Mark

"Annie"

Owned and bred by Jenifer Robertson

UKC Midwest Classic

Columbia, MO

March 1, 2024



New UKC Champion

CH Mud-E Acres GT2.0 Franchise Player

"Buster"

Owned by Crystal Mudgett-Epley and
Jillian Berninger

Bred by Crystal Mudgett-Epley

Grinnell, IA

May 4, 2024



Bridges BGF Karma is a Bee

"Karma"

Owned and Bred by Joe and Leslie Bridges

Best in Show Puppy x3
Reserve Best in Show Puppy x4

Longview, TX
April 7, 2024



New UKC Champion

CH Big Groves Jersey at Bridges OK

"Jersey"

Owned by Joe & Leslie Bridges
Bred by Seth & Erika Swenson

Norman, OK
April 26, 2024



Best in Show Puppy
Reserve Best in Show Puppy
Longview, TX
February 3-4, 2024

New UKC Champion
CH Big Groves CupCake
@ Bridges OK

"Cee Cee"

Owned by Joe & Leslie Bridges
Bred by Seth & Erika Swenson

UKC Southern Classic
Batesville, MS
May 3-5, 2024



RACEA DGCH Big Groves Charlie Boy @ Bridges OK SPOT-ON

“Chuck”

Owned by Erika Swenson, Joe & Leslie Bridges

Bred by Seth & Erika Swenson

Reserve Best in Show
Longview, TX
February 3, 2024

Best in Show
Reserve Best in Show
Norman, OK
April 26 & 27, 2024

Best in Show x2
UKC Midwest Classic
Columbia, Missouri
March 1-3, 2024

Best in Show x2
Reserve Best in Show
Total Dog x3
UKC Southern Classic
Batesville, MS
May 3-5, 2024

New Precision Course titles
Precision Coursing Novice (RACEN)
Precision Coursing Advanced (RACEA)





New UKC Champion RACEN CH Fullmoons Backwoods Barbie

"Barbie"

Owned and bred by Kaye Stevenson

UKC Southern Classic
Batesville, MS
May 3-5, 2024

RACES GRCH NI NC Fullmoon Ain't Whistlin Dixie

"Dixie"

Owned and bred by Kaye Stevenson

New Precision Course title:
Precision Coursing Superior (RACES)

New Nosework titles:
Novice Containers (NC)
Novice Interiors (NI)

UKC Southern Classic
Batesville, MS
May 3-5, 2024



Congratulations
to our great Teddy Teams!
Send your brags in when you earn them!
We'll keep them on file for our next newsletter!
Please email them to our editor at utrtca@gmail.com.



Teddy Roosevelt Terrier Top Ten

Through April 14, 2024

01. RACEN DGCH'PR'Big Groves Charlie Boy @ Bok SPOT-ON	Erika Swenson, Leslie Bridges, Joe Bridges	146
02. RACEN EGCH'PR'Big Groves Becky At Bridges Ok	Leslie Bridges, Joe Bridges	15
03. 'PR'Big Groves Cupcake @ Bridges	Leslie Bridges, Joe Bridges	6

Terrier Group Standings

Through April 14, 2024

01. RACEN DGCH'PR'Big Groves Charlie Boy @ Bok SPOT-ON	Erika Swenson, Leslie Bridges, Joe Bridges	249	Teddy Roosevelt Terrier
02. DASH RACEN DGCH Springhill A Reason To Smile	Jane Nolan, Linda L Reece	131	Smooth Fox Terrier
03. AI NHD DASH RACEA NN AC SGCH Superbs Tellmehaveyouseenher	Linda Ringle, Jane Lasher	83	Staffordshire Bullterrier
04. GRCH Snocrest Azefer Niko	Lila Fast	67	Toy Fox Terrier
05. CH UWP RUSH Larums Nevada Night Force	Cody Larum, Lisa Larum	62	Staffordshire Bullterrier
06. CH Horsepower's Im Fancy Like That	Anissa Littlefield	58	American Pit Bull Terrier
07. RUSH GRCH Larum Nevada's Shake 'n Bake	Janice Snyder	54	Staffordshire Bullterrier
08. DASH CH Rojolos Bubba Shot Da Juke Box	Jose Perez, Rose Fairbanks Perez, Carlos Perez	49	American Hairless Terrier
09. AP VPA UWPO UWPOCH GRCH'PR'Blueantic's Really Really	Erica Noseworthy	46	American Pit Bull Terrier
09. GRCH'PR'Asgard's Halley Cosmic Premiere	Judith E Lehman	46	Toy Fox Terrier

UKC NEWS

UPCOMING EVENTS



2024 UKC Premier Nationals

June 12-16, 2024

Kalamazoo County Fairgrounds and Expo Center
Kalamazoo, Michigan

Western Classic

August 2-4, 2024

Cowlitz County Fairgrounds
Longview, WA

Eastern Classic

November 1-3, 2024

Lebanon, Pennsylvania

2024 UKC Total Dog Invitational

November 14-16, 2024

Lexington, KY

TEDDY PERFORMANCE

Total Dog

UKC has supported the Total Dog philosophy through its events and programs for over a century. Essentially, the UKC world of dogs is a working world. That's the way it was developed in 1898, and that's the way it remains today. A Total Dog displays equal parts Function, Temperament, and Structure. Total Dog is a way to showcase dogs who look and perform equally well. The UKC Total Dog philosophy places an emphasis on dogs who shine in multiple venues, such as displaying the gait appropriate for their breed type while in the show ring, and then using that superb construction to effortlessly run full speed in a Lure Coursing race. A sound, well-bred, well-adjusted dog can easily transition from the show ring to a performance event. They have the looks to excel as a proper specimen of their breed, while also having the brains and ability to perform athletically in a variety of sporting events. To earn a Total Dog award, dogs must qualify in both conformation and an eligible performance event on the same day.

Your Total Dog could win \$10,000 at the UKC Total Dog Invitational. The Total Dog Invitational is by invitation only. To qualify for a invitation to this event, dogs must earn a Total Dog award at a Regional Qualifying Event (RQE). UKC Classics are considered RQEs. UKC clubs that are planning an event featuring conformation plus a performance event may apply to be considered an RQE. A total of 12 RQEs are held throughout the year.

Whether your dream is \$10,000 or simply proving that your dog is a Total Dog at any show you attend, participating in both performance and conformation is a great way to accomplish something unforgettable your well-rounded dog.



Do You Know Your Dog's Normal Heart Rate?

Knowing your dog's heart and respiration rates – your dog's normal vitals – can be critical in an emergency.

By Kate Basedow, LVT for Whole Dog Journal

Learning your dog's normal vitals – temperature, pulse, and respiration – is useful for detecting health problems or tracking your dog's response to medication. It is also good information to provide when calling your veterinarian or an emergency clinic to make an urgent appointment for your dog. And, with the crunch on emergency clinics, the more information you can provide over the phone, the more efficient your veterinary visit will be.

Normal Heart Rate for Dogs

The normal heart rate for dogs is 70 to 120 beats per minute. This is what is called a “resting” heart rate, which is how fast your dog's heart beats when he is just hanging out. Stress and exercise will both cause the heart to beat faster.

Large dogs tend to have a heart rate on the lower end, while small dogs have a faster resting heart rate. Your dog's fitness also will impact his resting heart rate. Extremely fit, athletic dogs tend to have a slower resting heart rate. Obesity increases the heart rate and the chance of heart disease in dogs.

You can evaluate the heart rate for dogs a couple of different ways. A stethoscope is fantastic, but you probably don't have one lying around (you can purchase one for less than \$25). Instead, try placing your hand over the lower left side of your dog's chest just under his left elbow to feel his heartbeat. This may be difficult in chubby dogs. Count the number of beats that you feel in 15 seconds, then multiply that number by 4 to get the beats per minute.

You also can feel your dog's pulse. The inside of the thigh is a great spot to feel a dog's pulse, or you may be able to feel it on the back of his carpus (wrist).

A heart rate that is abnormally too high or too low should cause you to seek veterinary attention.

Normal Dog Respiration Rate

The normal dog respiration rate is 15 to 30 breaths per minute. Once again, these numbers are for a “resting” rate. Exercise and stress can cause your dog to pant more rapidly.

To evaluate your dog's respiration rate, wait until he settles on his own in a position of his choice. Then watch as his sides expand and contract with each breath. Each in and out counts as one breath. Count the number of breaths he takes in 15 seconds, then multiply that number by 4 to get the breaths per minute.

If your dog is panting, wait until he stops panting to count his respiration rate.

Normal Dog Temperature

The normal dog temperature is 100°F to 102.5°F. Knowing his normal body temperature will help you gauge if he has a fever. The most accurate way to take a dog's temperature is with a rectal thermometer. I recommend buying a digital thermometer (they are much faster than mercury thermometers, plus safer if broken) and clearly labeling it for dog use only so it isn't confused with your human thermometer.

Preventing Ticks on Pets

From the Center for Disease Control



KEY POINTS

- Like humans, pets can get tickborne diseases.
- Pets can also bring ticks into your home.
- Watch your pet closely for changes in behavior or appetite if you know or suspect that it has been bitten by a tick.
- Check pets daily for ticks and remove any you find to keep your pet healthy.

Why it is important to keep pets free of ticks

Dogs and cats often come into contact with ticks when they are outside. Like humans, pets can get sick with tickborne diseases. In addition, pets can transport ticks from outside the home to inside, where the ticks may then bite people. Dogs can also be infested by the brown dog tick, which occurs across the United States and is unique in that it can infest indoor spaces like homes and kennels.

Watch your pet closely for changes in behavior or appetite if you know or suspect that it has been bitten by a tick. Signs of tickborne disease may not appear for 7-21 days or longer after a tick bite. Except for Lyme disease in dogs, pets cannot be vaccinated against tickborne diseases. Talk to your veterinarian about tickborne diseases that occur in your local area, or if you are considering a Lyme disease vaccine for your dog.

Prevention tips

Check pets who go outdoors daily for ticks

Daily checks to find and remove ticks that are crawling on or biting your pets helps to keep them healthy. It also may prevent crawling ticks from getting onto and biting a person. Ticks crawling on or biting a pet can be hard to spot, especially for breeds with long and dark fur. The image below shows where ticks often are found biting on a dog.

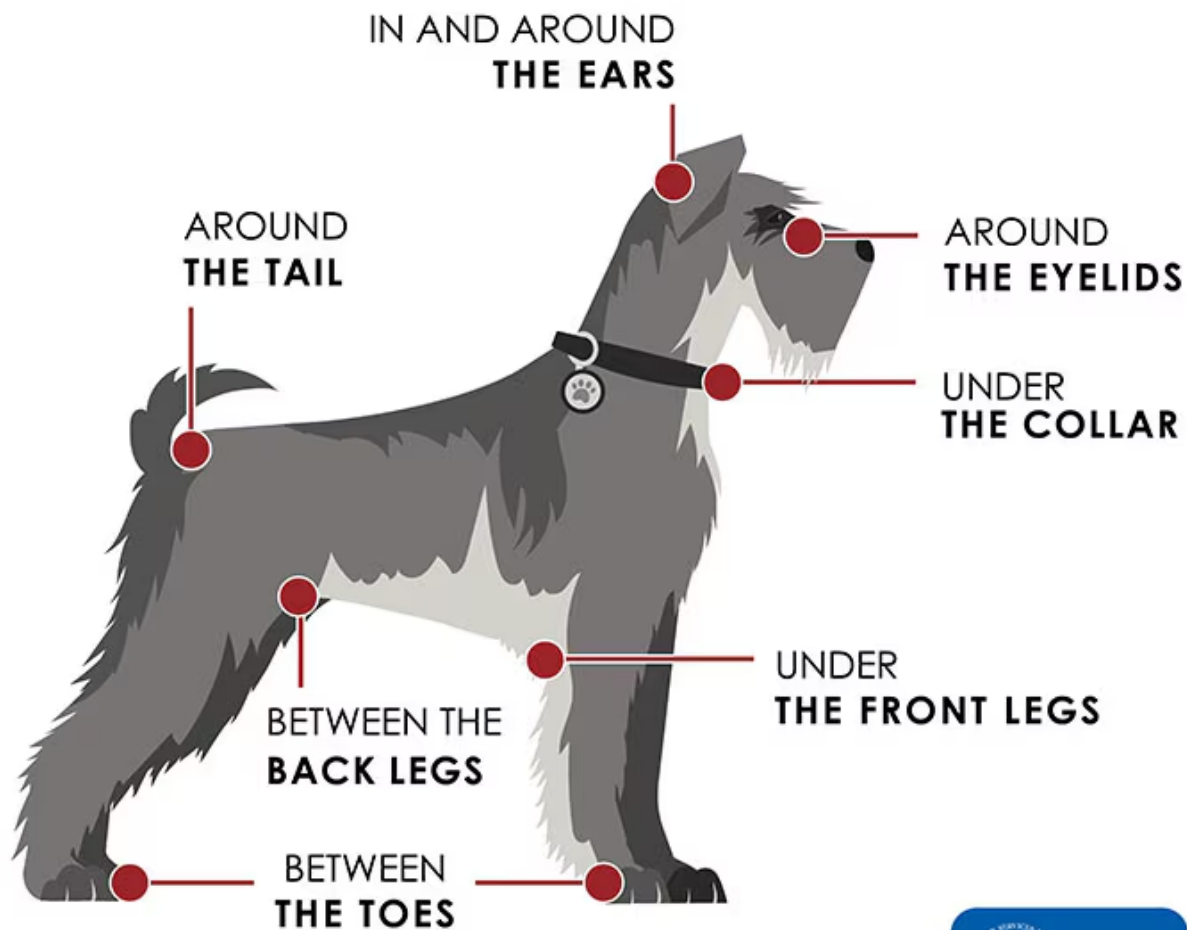
Tip

If you do find a tick biting your pet, remove it right away.

Use a tick preventive product

Dogs are very susceptible to tick bites and tickborne diseases. Vaccines are not available for most of the tickborne diseases that dogs can get, and they don't keep the dogs from bringing ticks into your home. For these reasons, it's important to use a tick preventive product on your dog.

WHERE TO CHECK YOUR PET FOR TICKS



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Other tips

Talk to your veterinarian about:

- The best tick prevention products for your dog
- Tickborne diseases in your area

To further reduce the chances that a tick bite will make you or your dog sick:

- Check your pets for ticks daily, especially after they spend time outdoors.
- If you find a tick on your pet, remove it right away.
- Reduce tick habitat in your yard

New Arrivals!

The "M" Litter

**Sire: UKC Champion Stone's Heading
South**

**Dam: UKC Grand Champion TMT's
Watch Us Work It of SHK**

2 Males, 4 Females

Date of Birth: March 24, 2024

Contact Jenifer Robertson

Phone: 918-829-2129;

Email: travelinmanterriers@gmail.com;

Website: www.travelinmanterriers.com



The "N" Litter

**Sire: UKC Grand Champion Aspens's I'd Do
Anything @ TMT BCAT**

**Dam: UKC Champion TMT's Aiming for the High
Mark**

2 Males, 5 Females

Date of Birth: May 7, 2024

Contact Jenifer Robertson

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Contact Shaleena Stone
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Mud-E Acres Don't Start Me Talkin' "Tattle" x GRCH Aspen's Gonna Cut You Down "Cash"
Born 4/14/24

Xanadu's Teddy Roosevelt Terriers

Murray, KY

217-820-4218

<https://xanaduteddyrooseveltterriers.weebly.com/>



Aspen's Peaches N Cream "Peaches"

x

Hidden Valleys Rambling Renovator "Koda"

Born 4/18/24

3 male, 2 female

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A few breed/show males available.**

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dewormings and vaccinations,
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tested parents, 5 year genetic
health guarantee, and lifelong
follow-up.**

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**Send your litter pictures for the newsletter
to utrtca@gmail.com.
We love your Teddy puppies!!!**

END NOTE

Thank you to everyone that submitted brags, articles, litters and photos for this issue.

**Please make sure you mark your calendar for our semi-annual members meeting
Sunday, June 23, 2024.**

**8pm Eastern/7pm Central/
6pm Mountain/5pm Pacific**