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Lydia has been involved with dogs her entire life and attended her first dog show with her parents in 1949. The breed to which she has devoted her life is the Cairn Terrier. Her WOLFPIT KENNEL, shared with her deceased parents, has accounted for over 250 AKC Champions, including numerous top winners and producers. The first WOLFPIT litter was born in 1941 and the most recent in May 2015.

The success of the WOLFPIT breeding program can be attributed to Lydia's wise decisions in using line breeding and judicious outcrosses. Although the majority of WOLFPIT litters are of pure WOLFPIT bloodlines, over the years four bitches have been imported from overseas. Lydia was able to see and/ or judge their parents before deciding to acquire them, making it possible for her to get an idea of the bloodlines behind them. Each of them became Champions and, bred to her homebred dogs, also became Top Producers.

More important than the success the WOLFPIT dogs have enjoyed in the show ring is the fact that several dozen Cairn breeders have used WOLFPIT dogs to incorporate into their breeding programs with a positive affect. In addition to dogs sold to owners in the U.S.A., her dogs have been exported to Argentina, Brazil, Canada, Chile, Denmark, Germany, and Russia.

Just a few of the outstanding winners and producers from the kennel are: Ch. Caledonian Berry of Wolfpit (multi- BIS and specialty winner, sire of 36 Chs), Gch. Caledonian In-For-A-Penny of Wolfpit (top 5 Cairn for 2 years), Ch. Bonnie Bairn of Wolfpit (group winner & top producer), Ch. Persimmon of Wolfpit (specialty winner, sire of 27 Chs.), Ch. Cairnwoods Quince (BIS winner & winner of CTCA 4 times, sire of 51 Chs.) Ch. Cairnhoe Highlander of Wolfpit (CTCA specialty winner, sire of 12 Chs.), Ch. Cairnhoe Alliance of Wolfpit (dam of 10 Chs.), Ch. Birselow Peggy Sue (dam of 9 Chs.). The current flag-bearer is GCh. Caledonian Tea Time of Wolfpit (group & specialty winner, promising sire of 5 recent Chs.).

In addition to being an active breeder, Lydia has served as an AKC judge for 51 years and has also judged in numerous countries abroad. She is a past President of the Cairn Terrier Club of America and currently serves on the Board of Governors. She is a founder of the Potomac Cairn Terrier Club as well as the Bay Area Judges Association. She also is Vice President of the Columbia Terrier Association of Maryland and Treasurer of the Mason Dixon Dog Judges Assn.