

# Tangens Whippets

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April is the month of the Annual **Whippet National** show, this year in Lexington KY. I went without dogs this time, but Tangens was still represented by *Ch Tangens The Maverick Cosmonaut FCh*, "Brand", last year's Best of Opposite Sex, and *Ch Tangens Maverick Red Planet*, "Fanci". You can get a taste of the show by watching:

<http://www.showdogvideopros.com/AWC2010FINAL/AWC2011VIDEOPROMO.php>



This is a picture of Flair, *Ch Maverick Cowgirl Chic CDX*, opening the National show last year. Flair is bred and owned by my friend Rachel Amado. Read more about the show and dog training on her blog: <http://maverickwaydogtraining.wordpress.com/>

Shows are meant for the "evaluation of breeding stock" and they are important for future generations of the breed and for breeders, but for *this* generation of Whippets, *YOU* are the

most important component. I am very happy that so many of you stay in touch with us with pictures and good (and sometimes not so good) news. Here are some recent pictures:

Helen and Bill Klepper of Camarillo, CA, are the owners of *Tangens Glow Of The Quantum Dot* (litter 06) mostly, but not always, called "Angel".



*Tangens Tuonela* (litter 04), called "Ginger" by her owners Bonnie and Roy Sowers of Ramona, is the spitting image of her full sister, our own *Ch Tangens Karelia Suite*.

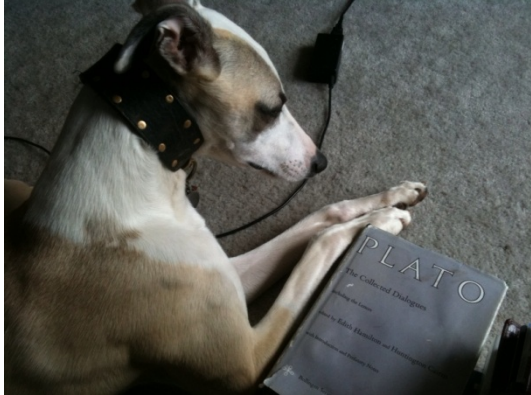


### ***The high-tech world***

Things that were once standard, such as engraved identification tags for the dog's collar, can now be significantly more informative. How about: Flash Drive ID tag: [www.toptagpetid.com](http://www.toptagpetid.com) And if you want to know what your dog is doing home alone, find out with a wireless camera: [www.lorextchnology.com](http://www.lorextchnology.com)

### **On reading**

From Anak Rabanal in Los Angeles comes this picture of "Hunt": "he sure does have some challenging taste in reading material! Maybe Monty (*Tangens Two For The Road*, litter 08) is not the only deep thinker that I'm raising."



### **More on reading**

I subscribe to many dog magazines, most of them specialty magazines for breeders. Among the more general magazines, I have two favorites: ***The whole dog journal*** It is not expensive, see [www.whole-dog-journal.com](http://www.whole-dog-journal.com). I know I have recommended it before, but now you can also sign up to get the training tip of the week for free via email.

***Dog World*** See [www.dogchannel.com](http://www.dogchannel.com) or PO Box 57900, Los Angeles, CA 90057, 213-385-2222

### **Good book:**

"If you are at all interested in dog behavior etc, this is a fantastic little book: *"The Breeder's Guide To Raising Superstar Dogs"* by Jerry Hope. Just because "breeder" is in the title doesn't mean it is not for you. It covers and explains dog behavior long after the dog has left the breeder."

### **The world is full of dangers**

Think rattlesnakes and mushrooms, chocolate, xylitol, etc. Less dangerous but still a nuisance are *ticks* and *foxtails*. We have had a vigorous tick season this spring. Here is one day's harvest from the morning walk with the dogs; I pick the ticks off the dogs before they have attached and put them in soapy water.



Have fun with your dogs!  
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