

Hello,
my name is Nutshell or also called Nutty.
This is me,



and this is my story!

I was born on the 30th of October 2002 at Judith Ashworth,
My Mummy is Kingstree Indiana and my Daddy is Vison Varmint.

On January the 12th 2003 Pete Smith and Judith took me and my
brother Nudger and put us in a, what they called travel crate.

Than they took us to a place called Airport.

We both were very excited and everyone was very nice to us.

As we landed at the airport in Düsseldorf (Germany) we met Sabine,
Pete and Lucy.

Here we learnt that Sabine and Pete would be my Mum and Dad and
that Nudgers Mum and Dad would come to pick him up the next day.

As we arrived at my new home we got to run around the House and Garden. We had a great time and then got very tired.



Lucy did not seem to be too happy about me staying at first and I still have much respect for her, but we are great friends now and enjoy playing now and then (Lucy is not so fit anymore and can not jump around to much because of her poorly leg) and we love going hunting together, shame we always have to stay on the lead, I would love to chase a bunny rabbit!



Mum and Dad say I am a great hunter but that it is too dangerous to let me run free.

Well, it is not so bad though, we go on long walks and on bike rides, which is great fun. Just such a shame that Lucy cannot join us on the bike anymore.

4 months after I got here I went to a place called Dortmund. There was this big event called the World Dog Show. Even Judith came over to see me go into the ring. It was very exciting, but I did not really enjoy it. Too many people, dogs and noises.

The man that took a good look at me said I was beautiful and told Dad that I am a very promising puppy, whatever that was supposed to mean?!?!?

This is what I looked like that day.
A person called a photographer came and wanted to take pictures of me.



Since then I have been to something called Dog School where I learnt some commands like sit, stay, down and so on.

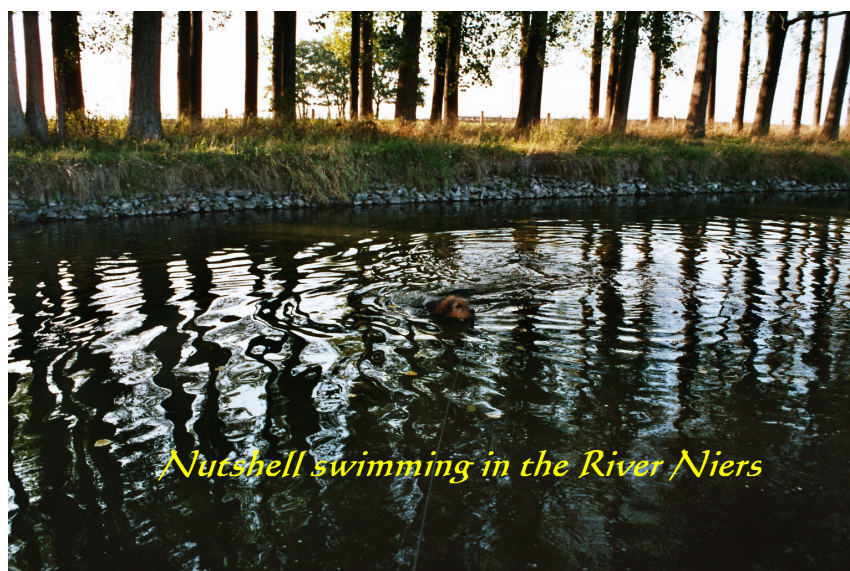
I really enjoyed that. I have also been to a few more Dog Shows in different Countries like Belgium, Netherlands and Luxembourg. I became Champion in Luxembourg and at the Hound show in Belgium

I made it to 3rd place in the Ring of Honour.

Mum and Dad were very proud of me and Pete Smith who came over to visit the Hound Show with us said I am a little Star.

Apart from all the Shows I have been to I go swimming in the summer.

Yes, I can swim!



Nutshell swimming in the River Niers

It is so nice to cool off on a hot summers day!

Well, the plans for my future are that I am to meet a nice male Otterhound and have babies.

I am looking forward to have lots of little playmates.

I will keep you up dated on my future and wish you all a wonderful time.

Hugs and slobber kisses
Nutshell

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<http://www.houndville.de/index.html>