

# The Ruff Guide

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**MICHAEL GRAHAM**, WTKK talk-radio host, with **WALLY**, green-cheeked conure

*“Wally likes to dance. If he were a person, he’d have a leisure suit and a disco ball. In fact, he does have a little disco ball that hangs in his cage.... He’s a big James Brown fan. ‘Get on the Good Foot’ is his nickname.”*

**TAYLOR TWELLMAN**, New England Revolution player, with **MONA**, Boston terrier, and **LOLA**, Jack Russell-pug mix

*“Let’s put it this way: I take flak from some teammates for having two little dogs. Lola never leaves my side—I take her to practice and all the guys just sit there and laugh.”*



**MATTHEW PEARL**, author (*The Dante Club*), with **TIDBIT** and **MYRTLE**, tabbies; **ABNER**, golden retriever-collie mix; and **OLIVER**, Boston terrier

*“With this many pets, you have to build into your schedule all the responsibilities that come with them, but that’s something I would never want to live without. When I’m away on a book tour, I miss it immediately.”*



**LIZ ENTHUSIASM** (a.k.a. Jussi Gamache) and **SEAN DRINK-WATER**, members of FreezePop, with **SIMON**, mixed breed

*[Liz:] “We have a fair amount of parties at our house, so Simon’s used to having strangers roll in at 2 a.m. Sometimes he goes in his crate for a while, and then comes back out feeling more social. He’s very popular. He has his own Facebook page, too.”*



