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## Jack Russell Dogs Are Death On Rats

"I fought rats for 4 years and couldn't make a dent in their population," says Pennsylvania dairyman Ken James, of Bedford. "I used \$150 to \$200 worth of rat poison and even got 15 cats from the Humane Society to try to solve the problem, but nothing worked."

Then, Ken's sister-in-law brought Eve, her Jack Russell Terrier, to Ken's farm. "Eve had never been on a farm. Yet, within 20 minutes, she killed three rats," Ken says.

After her farm visit, Eve wasn't content back in her city home so Ken gladly kept her. He now owns three Jack Russells.

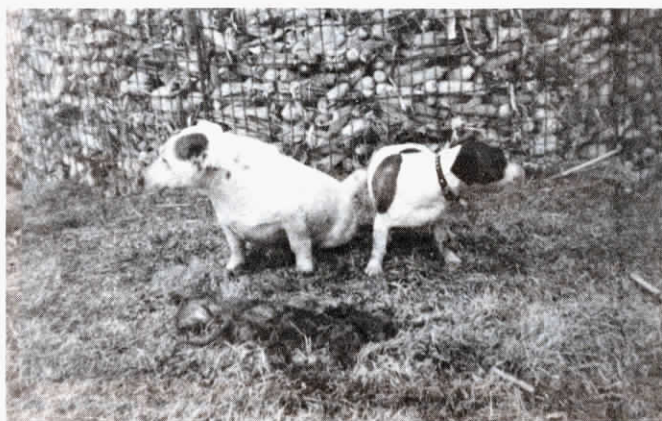
The Jack Russell Terrier, bred specifically to hunt and kill rats, was developed by a Rev. Jack Russell in

England about 150 to 200 years ago, according to Ken. The breed apparently stems from a combination of Fox Terrier, Bull Terrier and Sealyham Terrier.

"They're more muscular and a little bigger than a regular Rat Terrier," explains Ken. "They're a small dog, about 15 to 20 lbs., and stand about 11 to 13 in. at the shoulder, but they have teeth the size of a German Shepherd's."

The little dogs are tough enough to attack and kill groundhogs and occasionally even raccoons. Generally, they bite bigger animals over the mouth so as not to get bitten themselves.

"When a Jack Russell gets a rat, he just gives one shake of his head and



Jack Russell dogs are gentle around children but unmerciful to rats, groundhogs and other rodents.

breaks the rat's neck. With a larger animal, however, they have to shake for some time before they kill it. It takes them five to ten minutes," Ken explains.

The Jack Russells are gentle around children, despite their fierce attitude toward rats and other small animals. Ken says they make excellent watchdogs, too. They'll also fight, and sometimes kill, intruding dogs much larger than themselves. Unfortunately, though, they're also intolerant of barn cats and chickens.

Jack Russells cost between \$200 and \$350 apiece.

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Bred to kill rodents, the dogs are patient hunters.



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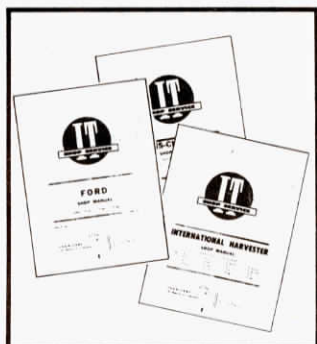
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