

STCA-Rotating Board Meeting - April 2014

The Scottish Terrier Club of America, Inc.
Meeting of the Officers and Directors
Thursday April 24, 2014
Holiday Inn Express, Birch Run, Michigan
8:00 AM – 6:00 PM

PRESENT: President, Charla Hill; Vice President, Lori Kelly; Corresponding Secretary, Pam Williams; Recording Secretary, Theresa Thomas; Treasurer, Rhea Spence; AKC Delegate, Helen Prince, Directors: Class of 2014: Jerry Burge, Charlene Gann, Pat Wooster, Class of 2015: Kelli Edell, Nancy Hurren, Jeff Waite. Absent: Adrian Sanchez.

President Charla Hill called the meeting to order at 8:00AM EDT.

Open Board Meeting from 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm today. It was announced in Wrap-up. – No visitors came.

Motion: to change the order of the agenda. Spence/Hurren. Passed unanimously.

Motion: to add to the agenda. Williams/Edell. Passed unanimously.

Motion: to approve the STCA Winter Board Meeting Minutes, February 22, 2014, with corrections and the STCA

March 19, 2014 Board Conference Call with corrections. Wooster/Gann. Passed unanimously.

Report of Recording Secretary: Theresa Thomas

Contacted Angela Reding with Printco Graphics, Inc. in Omaha, NE. that printed the 2012 STCA Roster and received the following quotes – one for 900 books and one for 1000 books.

For the same specs as before they will honor the same price as 2012 for 1000 books

To print 1000 books, 96 pages: \$3022.04

To poly bag with blow sheets: \$ 288.00

For digital proof: \$ 21.95

Total - \$3331.99 Postage (not included)

To print 900 books: \$2719.80

To poly bag with blow sheets: \$ 259.20

For digital proof: \$ 21.95

Total \$ 3000.95 Postage (not included)

Once they receive our mailing list they will put together a postage quote. They ask the check be made out to the US Postal Office. Any UPS shipping will be an additional cost.

Printing cost in 2012: It was a 96 page metal spinal booklet, 1000 printed for \$3022.04, mailing in a poly bag with blow sheets at \$288.00, postage \$90.94, and Digital Proof \$21.95, total \$3422.93.

Currently we have approximately 812 households that would need a roster. This does not include the eight new applicants that are listed in the Bagpiper #1. Kelly Edell reported at the February 22 Meeting STCA had 32 new members in 2013 and after the 2012 Roster was printed in May there were 27 new members.

Business Cards Ads – Do we want to sell business cards ads as before? Current Roster has 50 Business Card Ads. They were sold at \$25.00 each on a first come basis, for a total income of \$1250.00.

Because of space we need to print 2 phone numbers of member's choice (fax, phone, cell or two spouse phones) and one email address, not two. For spouses who have multiple emails, they can forego one phone number. It is their choice.

An email will be sent to STCA members verifying their information for the roster.

Motion: to print 1000 2015-2017 STCA Rosters. Kelly/Edell. Passed unanimously.

Motion: that the roster be changed, Scottie graphic on the 2015-2017 Roster Cover be in red and the logo and printing as is on a white background. Kelly/Prince. Passed unanimously.

Motion: to sell business card ads at \$25.00 for 2015-2017 Roster. Williams/Burge. Passed unanimously.

Report of Corresponding Secretary: Pam Williams

Correspondence Sent

New Member packets - Ewles, Hess, Judge, Kripaitis, Lee/Zhou, Peterson, Ray, Weber

Letter to Gail Dixon STC England to reprint health portion of breed booklet

Letter to Linda Hill re RTF

Letters to Midwest clubs - Dayton, Louisville, Atlanta re Rotating 2017

Letters to Nominating Committee with SOP and BOD applications

Letters to thank Nominating Committee applicants not selected

Letter to AKC judges (in conjunction with Kathi Brown) re: standard

Correspondence Received

Dayton club responded with Yes, they are interested in hosting the 2017 Rotating specialty

Materials Shipped and Distributed

Dayton, Denver, California, Atlanta – (2) BBE medallions and (10) breed booklets

Baltimore - (2) BBE medallions

STC California - 100 Breed booklets

Materials Sold

(2) Illustrated Standard

Expenses for March - April

\$152.73 Postage, 100 velveteen bags for the BBE medallions

Letter from Gerard C. Penta with the ADSJ Advanced Institute - They will not be asking for donations this year because the program is being reevaluated.

Awards Selection - the following selections of the Annual Awards were done by secret ballot

Anstamm Achievement Award Nominees

Good Sportsmanship

Silver Service

Judge Selections: following selection of Judges were done by secret ballot

For 2016 Montgomery County Regular Classes

For 2016 Rotating Regular Classes

For 2016 Montgomery County Sweepstakes

For 2016 Rotating Sweepstakes

Report of President: Charla Hill

I continue to work on STCA business at a minimum of 50 hours per week.

Major projects worked on include:

- Revision of the STCA SOPs. All approved in Feb. were reformatted. Committee has reviewed the balance of those not vetted for the Winter Mtg. Many hours have been spent to get the details correct.
- Managing the Board list at Yahoo, working to get it functional for all.
- Working with the Facebook committee to plan the roll out.
- Five Year Financial plan providing research information for previous years. Presented by Steve Russell.

In addition, overseeing the committee's work, and interfacing with the Officers and Board with their responsibilities has required many more hours.

- AKC Pac Donor ID information for Clubs will be put on the Ways and Means Table during the Rotating and put in the Wrapup.

Report of Vice President and Show Chair: Lori Kelly

STCA/STCM Rotating 2014 – Details are being finalized for Rotating '14, held in conjunction with the Progressive Dog Club shows. Debra Davis (Progressive) is working with us on ring arrangements, tables (5 ringside for trophies, HTF, & Ways & Means). Pat Wooster, local co-chair is working hard to ensure that we are on track. Progressive will install curtains to separate our area from the rest of the show site. Deadline of 4/9/14 is set for all STCM/STCA events (complimentary hospitality, HTF ECR clinic, banquet). Information was published in April 6 issue of WrapUp. A full-page ad appeared in The Bagpiper Issue No. 1, which was just reaching member homes week of 3/31/14.

Two deposits have been paid to Sullivan Catering for the banquet on Saturday evening. Final payment is due 4/25/14. Kim Lindsay is taking hospitality and banquet reservations. As of April 4, there are 42 pre-paid reservations for the banquet. Deadline of 4/9/14 was publicized. Marcia Dawson handles HTF pre-registrations. Helen Prince handles pre-orders for AKC DNA kits. Judges Marianne Melucci and Muriel Lee have made their travel arrangements. Stewards are arranged (Hurren & Prince). Trophies are ready. Pam will bring to Rotating.

STCA National Specialty/Montgomery 2014 – Meeting was held on April 2 with Sheraton Bucks County Hotel GM, Banquet Manager, and Sr. Sales. Events for the week beginning Sept. 30 were discussed, menu selections will be finalized May 1, block of rooms are set (STCA

custom reservation page will go up on the website May 1). Stewards for Sweepstakes are confirmed. Specialty stewards will be confirmed by May 1. The need for additional space was discussed and set aside at hotel site. Space to be confirmed. More information on proposed new event(s) will be discussed in detail at Board meeting.

Regarding Owner Handler Series, on March 16, I sent an email to Bruce Schwartz of MCKC to inquire about the possibility of an OHS in 2014. Charla also contacted Bruce. We are waiting for a response. At this time MCKC has decided not to offer an OHS series "due to time constraints." There are other breed clubs who are also in favor of offering this series. On April 4 I spoke with Director of AKC Events Programs Alan Slay regarding same. Of note, Alan reported during a March 11 meeting to the AKC "when a club offers the Owner Handler Series, over 40% of exhibitors are checking off the box that they are eligible." It is the opinion that OHS may increase the number of entries. FYI Scottish Terrier entries were the largest for MCKC 2013. I will report back to the Board with any decisions by MCKC.

On increasing club awareness of STCA club activities and to attract prospective members and puppy buyers, I recommend that the STCA publicize our national and regional specialties via press releases and email. This would work well with responsibilities of the Public Information Chair. Emails should be sent to the same recipients of letters sent to non-members/AKC new titleholders welcoming them to attend our events. I would also ask that we contact previous year's exhibitors and welcome them back to our specialty shows and encourage the entry.

Updates on Rotating – everything seems to be in order, 50 chairs, Big Thank you for the Michigan Club & volunteers, Helen & Nancy will be Stewards. Friday – everything is ready. Saturday - Trophies – Jerry Burge and Lori Kelly, Judges Dinner – Nancy Hurren and Helen Prince, Theresa Thomas mark flip chart, catalog marking – Jeff Waite, Lori Kelly & Theresa Thomas, Ways & Means Table – Kathy Vogt, Rhea, HTF table – Marcia Dawson, Juniors – Jerry Burge and Kathy Vogt, No Eye Clinic as not enough signed up.

2014 Montgomery – Hatboro – asking for early ring time

2015 Rotating - Looking at hotels in the Seattle Area

2016 Rotating – TBA

2017 Rotating – Waiting for Greater Dayton STC to sign the agreement.

Cliff Schultz who is judging Sweepstakes at Montgomery 2015 asked to judge a Baltimore Terrier Specialty on April 17 during his 6 months not judging before Montgomery.

Motion: to not grant the waiver to the contractual agreement with STCA. Hurren/Waite. Passed unanimously. Corresponding Secretary will notify Cliff Schultz.

Helen Prince is talking to STC of Baltimore and STCA of Greater Washington DC about hosting the Rotating 2015. The cost is an issue. If a Regional Club needs help financially the

STCA can advance up to \$2,500.00 if needed. Helen would like a letter stating that STCA is willing to help financially and volunteers.

Motion: that STCA will advance up to \$2,500.00 as needed to the Regional Club hosting the Rotating after acceptance of proposal. Kelly/Spence. Passed unanimously.

Break at 11:00 to go to the show site, and call to order again at 1:00 pm

President Charla Hill called the meeting to order at 1:00 PM EDT

Report of Treasurer: Rhea Spence

Merchant Services Update

After experiencing problems signing into our PayPal account resolved after downloading the App on my phone and actually running a charge card successfully, I was afraid to cancel our BOA Merchant Services account until I was sure everything was working.

I spent a good bit of time on the phone with tech support from both PayPal and Verizon and never came up with a fix to the problem. I did try accessing the PayPal account in other places and was able to sign in immediately. It finally dawned on me that the only difference in at home and other places was my home Wi-Fi and I turned it off on my phone. It was evidently interfering in some way, and I can now access PayPal everywhere I have tried.

With it being determined that the PayPal here is up and running, I then started out to cancel the BOA Merchant Services. It took several calls to finally get to someone with the authority to determine that I was an authorized club member who could deal with it because I could give them our Federal ID number and the number of the checking account linked to the BAC Merchant Services account. Luckily, there were no charges involved with canceling their part of the service. However, it seems we originally signed a lease with First Data for the credit card machine that does not end until July of this year. From all I can find out, we will have to continue to pay the lease through that point. My first thought was that I should have checked into that prior to switching, but I don't really know if it will make any difference. I have not checked to find out if we will be able to sell any merchandise as we did at Pittsburgh. Even if we do, I doubt the venue will provide us with a phone line to take charge cards, but I guess we could have kept the service so I could run the cards once I have a phone line to hook the machine to. Once through the lease, that will be over.

This points up another reason why all outgoing treasurers should work closely with an incoming treasurer to get things transferred as smoothly as possible.

Dues Collection for 2015

Charla and I have talked about trying sending out membership renewal forms prior to MCKC and really pushing renewal at Sweepstakes. This is something I would be willing to do as well as work with Bob on sending at least a link to where members can print out renewal forms if

they don't get one in the mail. Reminder sent in an email that follows up once the forms are mailed. Charla had also wondered if we could come up with something to raffle off and give members who renew at Sweeps a special ticket to encourage more members to renew in person there. It seems as though our problems with getting everyone to renew by the deadline keep increasing rather than getting better. I would like for a board decision on this so we can move ahead if that is what we want to try for 2015 dues. It was decided that there will be a table set up in a visible location at Montgomery County Sweepstakes with renewal forms so that members can pay their dues. If members pay at the Sweeps they will have chance to win the raffle item. Drawing will be at the Annual Banquet. This will be put on the website, two eblast in August & September, ad in Wrapup starting in June and pre-Montgomery Bagpiper. Due notices will be send out around November 1st.

US Postal Service

We continue to have problems with the USPS. Wherever possible, members collecting money for the club are making direct deposits in local BAC branches, and this seems to be working well. One problem has been the fact that if one searches online to see if there are branches, some listed have been closed. Before assuming someone can make a direct deposit without a lengthy round trip to another town or city, confirmation is needed that the branch found actually is still open for business.

I've mailed 2 checks (one to Pam Williams for Grooming Manual expenses and the other to the maker of our Rotating trophies) that did not make it to their destination in two weeks. Not knowing what has happened to these checks leads to either putting a stop pay on them for a fee or risking their falling into others hands who try to cash them (or worse, have our accounts routing number). After talking with Charla, I need to discuss options with BAC to see what we can possibly do to bypass the ever-increasing problems with the USPS. I do not know what we can do about usually small expense checks to members but we can try to pay other things electronically as much as possible. For instance have a PayPal account that either links to a card or a special account for that purpose. My all breed club has also opened a separate account not linked to the main checking account in any way (such as overdraft protection) to move all but needed operating expenses to because our president had heard of other clubs having their accounts hacked. I will try to explore all options available to us along these lines to help lower any risk of losing club money.

I have an appointment with a CPA on May 1.

Scottish Terrier Club of America

Statement of Financial Position

Assets

Bank of America – MI – CD Jett-Jackson \$ 58,238.77

Bank of America - -MI – CD (Stalter) 27,869.97

Bank of America – GA – Checking 111,362.50

Bank of America – GA – Savings 124,406.76

PayPal ' 630.96

Trophies, Actual Value 9,000.00

Total Assets \$331,508.96

Note: a detailed version of the Profit and Loss may be found at the STCA website
(www.stca.biz)

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04/19/14 2014 P & L March

Cash Basis January through March 2014

Jan – March 14

Ordinary Income/Expense

Income

Bagpiper 2014

Advertising

Issue 1

Business Card Ads 1,580.00

Regular Ads 4,919.89

Stud Dog Ads 1,702.45

Total Issue 1 8,202.34

Total Advertising 8,202.34

Circulation Manager

Copy Sales 165.29

Subscriptions 357.88

Total Circulation Manager 523.17

First class Upgrade 840.00

Total Bagpiper 2014 9,565.51

Bagpiper Income 2013

Circulation Manager

Subscriptions 120.00

Total Circulation Manager 120.00

Total Bagpiper Income 2013 120.00

Board Member Generated Income

Corresponding Secretary

Club Decals 4.00

Total Corresponding Secretary 4.00

Total Board Member Generated Income 4.00

Membership

2014 dues

Add'l fee (PP, CC) 17.40

Foreign Members 1,138.99

Hard Copy Fee 100.00

Junior Members 60.00

Regular Members 7,241.16

Total 2014 dues 8,557.55

Applications - Foreign 125.08

Total Membership 8,682.63

PAWS (Juniors) 40.00

Rotating Income 2014

Dinner Reservations 396.24

HTF Reservation 96.90

Trophy Donations 436.20

Total Rotating Income 2014 929.34

Shoppe Sales

Grooming Manuals 891.31

Handbooks 22.01

Illustrated Guide Sales 14.53

Ways & Means Sales 350.35

Total Shoppe Sales 1,278.20

Total Income 20,619.68

Expense

AKC

Club Flyer Expense 43.59

Donations

AKC Humane Fund 500.00

AKC K9 Legislative Support Fund 500.00

Total Donations 1,000.00

Total AKC 1,043.59

AKC Delegate Expense 993.70

Annual Awards

Duplicate Award

Deblin Back Talk Award 400.00

Total Duplicate Award 400.00

Total Annual Awards 400.00

Bagpiper Expenses 2013

Issue 4

Printing 3,854.00

Total Issue 4 3,854.00

Total Bagpiper Expenses 2013 3,854.00

Bagpiper Expenses 2014

Circulation Manager

Office Supplies 8.46

Postage 63.94

Total Circulation Manager 72.40

Issue 1

Layout & Design 1,072.00

Postage Advance 1,700.00

Total Issue 1 2,772.00

Total Bagpiper Expenses 2014 2,844.40

Bank Fees

BAC Merchant Fees

Discount 24.80

Fee 63.47

First Data Lease 75.99

Interchange 37.91

Total BAC Merchant Fees 202.17

Returned Item 60.00

Returned Item Chargeback Fee 12.00

Total Bank Fees 274.17

Board Member Required Activity

Corresponding Secretary

Copies 24.13

Name Badges for Board members 17.32

Office Supplies

General 67.81

Total Office Supplies 67.81

Postage

New Member Packets 68.56

Postage - Other 50.25

Total Postage 118.81

Total Corresponding Secretary 228.07

President

Meetings

Winter 2014

Meeting Room & Lunch 430.86

Total Winter 2014 430.86

Total Meetings 430.86

Office supplies 100.20

Postage 64.17

Total President 595.23

Recording Secretary

Office Supplies

Toner/ink 66.99

Total Office Supplies 66.99

Postage 414.00

Total Recording Secretary 480.99

Treasurer

Bank Fees

Checks 34.00

Total Bank Fees 34.00

Total Treasurer 34.00

Vice President

Postage and Shipping 6.85

Printing 123.70

Total Vice President 130.55

Total Board Member Required Activity 1,468.84

Committees 2014

Tally

AKC Reports--Companion Events 280.00

AKC Report--Conformation 420.00

Total Tally 700.00

Total Committees 2014 700.00

Insurance

State Farm Ins.

Treasurer Bonding 143.00

Total State Farm Ins. 143.00

Total Insurance 143.00

Montgomery County 2014

Hotel Deposit 500.00

Total Montgomery County 2014 500.00

Nominating Committee 45.50

Regional Clubs

BBE Medallions

Postage to mail 16.34

Velour Bags 20.51

Total BBE Medallions 36.85

STCA Ads in Specialty Catalogs 127.00

STCA Booth at Eukanuba 14.05

Total Regional Clubs 177.90

Regional Clubs 2012

STCA Ads in Club Catalogs 65.00

Total Regional Clubs 2012 65.00

Rotating 2014

Meals

Caterer's Deposit 750.00

Total Meals 750.00

Trophies 500.00

Total Rotating 2014 1,250.00

Shoppe

Grooming Manuals

Replacement Binders 62.92

Total Grooming Manuals 62.92

Shipping

Grooming Manuals 67.28

Handbooks 6.66

Illustrated Guides 1.82

Total Shipping 75.76

Ways & Means

Postage & Shipping 162.29

Total Ways & Means 162.29

Total Shoppe 300.97

Total Expense 14,061.07

Net Ordinary Income 6,558.61

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Report of Delegate to the AKC: Helen Prince

The March 2014, AKC Delegates' Meeting was held on March 10-11, 2014, at the Doubletree Hotel, Newark, NJ. As usually the committee meetings were held on Monday, and the Delegates' Meeting on Tuesday. This meeting is also the Annual Meeting of the AKC Delegates with the election of three members to the Board of Directors.

Four persons were slated for three positions as Directors for the Class of 2018. James Dok, Dr. Charles Garvin, and Ron Menaker were elected on the first ballot. Patricia Scully was not elected.

I attended two committee meetings: Canine Health Committee and the Parent Clubs Committee.

Monday, March 10, 2014

1. Canine Health Committee

Eddie Dzuik reported on the CHIC registry. Currently there are 90,000 dogs on the CHIC registry and 18,000 samples in the CHIC DNA Bank. There is a need for more breeds to put samples in the DNA Bank (blood samples are best). Eddie said that samples have been sent to researchers all over the world. OFA has formed a committee to look at current Parent Club requirements for CHIC and to perhaps make recommendations for additional tests based on new research results.

Discussion also centered around the Breeder of Merit program. Concern has been expressed before that there are many people who have applied and received Breeder of Merit status who are not members of a Parent Club, who do not have dogs on the CHIC registry when a Parent Club has CHIC requirements, and do not test dogs. The recommendation to AKC is to update the questions on the Breeder of Merit application, to ask, "Are you a member of the Parent Club of this Breed?" "If your breed has CHIC requirements, are your dogs on the CHIC Registry?" It was also suggested that each Parent Club assign a member to regularly check the Breeders of Merit against their club roster.

There has also been a big interest in the AKC Breeder Classified website. It is proposed that advertisers be allowed to state if they are members of a Parent Club. Parent Clubs may also be asked to monitor this for accuracy.

FYI, the Rottweiler Club has each person sign a Mandatory Practices Form each year when they renew their dues, somewhat like a Code of Ethics. If they don't sign the form they are out of the Club. This is how they enforce the health testing issue.

The Committee is also investigating updating the guidelines for vaccinations requirements for dog shows. The current policies were established in the 1950's. This was initiated by the new concern about brucellosis and canine influenza.

The Canine Health Foundation representative also stated that there maybe a new grant proposal for a study on thyroid. Delegates were also asked to remind their clubs/members about the AKC Challenge Project for 2014(matching funds). There is a fact sheet on the AKC website.

The Vet Outreach Program announced that \$100,000 each was given to three (3) vet schools – UC-Davis, U of PA, and Auburn U. for research programs in their gemology.

2. Parent Club Committee

a. EBalloting/online elections: No further updates. I reported that we (I consulted a lawyer I know familiar with dog club issues) were advised to have the by-laws changes accepted by our membership before we do any eballoting. I have been in touch with two other clubs, Leonbergers and Schipperke, to find out how they felt about the experience and which company they used. We obviously cannot consider this option until the by-laws changes are accepted.

b. Disaster Trailers: Currently there are 104 clubs actively working on or have funded a Trailer: 67 parent clubs, 35 all breed clubs, 1 from OFA and one from the Humane Fund. On a local level, I am working with National Capital Kennel Club and Capital Dog Training Club to fund a trailer for Calvert County (MD. Personal donations can be made to AKC Reunite Disaster Trailers and the donor will receive a tax credit. If you wish it to be given in the name of a club that is working on funding a trailer, designate that club on your check.

c. AKC received about 1,000 requests per month for the CGC title.

d. Event Operations spoke about some of the changes being made in their department that will help to expedite show applications. The turn-around time is now 21 days.

e. There have been several requests to look for other places than NYC for Meet the Breeds in October. AKC is looking into this.

f. Further discussion of problems with the AKC Breeder Classifieds. It was suggested that each breed have a direct link to the Parent Club website. It was also suggested that each possible advertiser be asked to indicate YES or NO—I am a member of the name of the parent club.

g. The Brittany Club requested that the breed flyer (that is now sent with new registrations) be also sent with puppy registrations—one for each puppy in the litter.

h. National Owner Handler Series (NOHS) is currently being allowed at National independent Specialties. There have been some requests to have it at ANY independent specialty, even on the local level. Most delegates were NOT in favor of this, at this time.

Tuesday, March 11, 2014

There was no Forum, as we went immediately into the first ballot for the Board of Directors. Next Alan Slay, Event Plans, then made a presentation called Attracting Exhibitors and the Public to Your Event. This was geared primarily for all-breed shows, but there were several points, which could also be applied to specialty shows.

Choosing judges was foremost, as clubs were advised to avoid judges who judge too much in your area, to pick breeder judges when possible or judges who usually have a good draw. Add other draws, such as the NOHS, 4-6 month puppy and performance competition as well as conformation, and companion events such as CGC.

Three Delegates gave a presentation on how their club/cluster is successful. I am happy to share my notes with anyone who is also connected with an all-breed club.

Chair Alan Kalter spoke about the success of social media. He also stated that AKC is working on a Breeder Support Program to reward Breeders who do health testing.

The CFO reported that the AKC is doing better financially, due to investment gains and the \$30 registration fee.

Proposed for the future: Reserve Best in Show Junior Handler

VOTES

Two amendments to the Dog Show Rules were passed, both of which deal with Field Trial Rules and Procedures for Pointing Breeds.

One amendment to the AKC Charter and By-laws was passed, which changes the name of the Obedience, Tracking, and Agility C9ommittee and allows Rally to be added to the name.

READS

One proposed amendment to the AKC Charter and By-laws will remove restrictions on Delegate membership from classes of persons previously excluded. It opens membership to judges who charge a fee as well as expenses, professional handlers, persons who sell dog food/supplies, persons who publish dog show information/magazines, and dog show superintendents. I wish to discuss this at our meeting in April. The final vote will be taken in June.

One proposed amendment to Field Trial Rules, which creates a new title for Retriever Field Trials.

The "READS" will be voted on in June 2014.

April 2014:

In March 2014, I sent all of the Board a report from the AKC Delegates' Meeting on March 10th-11th. I have re-sent it along with this brief report. As you know I periodically forward to the Board, in a timely manner, all of the news releases, announcements, and pertinent emails from AKC and the AKC Delegates-L that I receive. For that reason I am not going to repeat that information in my report to you.

Although it was not a news release, AKC announced that Daryl Hendricks, COO, resigned from AKC immediately after the Delegates' meeting. He was actively participating at the Parent Club Committee meeting, and was also the Board Liaison to that committee so it was a shock to all of us who were there to hear about his resignation. AKC recently informed us that Mike Liosis (Club Relations) is the new AKC Liaison to the Parent Club Committee, a move welcomed by all.

The December Delegates' meeting will be held Friday, December 12, 2014, in conjunction with Eukanuba in Orlando, Florida. All of the other meetings this year and in 2015 are being held at the Doubletree Hotel at the Newark International Airport, where they have been holding the March and September meetings for the last several years.

There is one item up for a vote at the June meeting which I would like us to discuss at our meeting. It concerns persons who are eligible to be Delegates. Currently, the AKC By-Laws state that people who are professional handlers, judges who charge fees in excess of expenses, anyone associated with dog food manufacture or sale, a dog show superintendent, or a publisher of a dog magazine, are NOT eligible to be Delegates. The new amendment would allow all of the above to be elected as a Delegate from their clubs, the rationale being that clubs should be allowed to choose the person they want as a Delegate. The only persons NOT allowed to be a Delegate will be people who work for a dog registry, dog event, or any organization deemed to be in competition with AKC or in conflict with its objectives, anyone convicted of a felony or misdemeanor for theft or embezzlement, and anyone who has been convicted of animal cruelty in the past 10 years. I will bring copies of the complete wording for anyone who wishes to read it in toto. There have been some very strong statements made a lot of pre-voting campaigning on both sides. I know how personally I would vote but I feel this is an issue on which we as a Board need to direct me to vote.

Motion: to direct STCA delegate to vote no on the AKC Charter and By-Laws, Article 6, Section 5 change. Williams/Gann. Passed unanimously.

Committee Reports

Agility –Lisa Dempsey & Barbara Gibson. (Liaison, Jeff Waite)

Motion: change Agility liaison to Pam Williams. Gann/Wooster. Passed unanimously

As shared in my previous report in February, the dates for the Oct All-terrier agility cluster have changed this year. Instead of beginning on a Tuesday, it will start on Monday, Sept 29th, and

run through Thursday, Oct 3rd. There is also a new location - In the Net, in Palmyra, PA. Scores n More will be the new trial secretary (replacing Countryside Agility). RV/electric hookups will be available to those with campers. The running surface of the indoor location is sprint turf.

Clubs sponsoring the trials this year are:

Monday - WHWTCA

Tuesday - US Kerry Blue Terrier Club

Wednesday - Welsh Terrier Club of America

Thursday - Soft Coated Wheaten Terrier Club of America

I am looking into what trophies to get for HIT each day, and the awards for Scottie teams that a Q or double Q. Cheryl Fugate and I are planning to host a get-together/reception for Scottie agility exhibitors during the trials.

Lisa Dempsey has resigned as co-chair. Barbara Gibson will be the Chairperson. She has rewritten the SOP, is buying and handling the awards. The STCA Trophy Chair will not have to worry about the Agility trophies at Montgomery; she will take care of getting them.

Annual Awards – Adrian Sanchez & Margaret O'Brien, certificates

Motion: to approve Helen Krisko as the Annual Awards Chair and Helen Prince as liaison. Kelly/Waite. Passed unanimously. Charla will call Helen and Pam will send her a letter.

Awards Tallies - Michael Krolewski, Chair; Lisa Hills, Ray Knapp, Margaret Kooda, Janet Bartholomew, Susan Kenney, Pam Wilson, Carol Edwards, Lesley Andrews, Mary Helen Rice, & Ted Miyamura. (Liaison, Pat Wooster)

Overall: The group is working well.

Electronic Reports:

The electronic report generation is working well. Generally the AKC reports can be converted into tally information for the rest of the committee within 2 days of receiving the reports.

Experimenting with showing the STCA Awards as the data is coming in. So as of today, the Awards are showing the leaders based on the first two months data.

Bagpiper Publication:

Currently, the committee is getting ready for the annual summary.

The largest issue is computing the Performance awards. The committee is relying on a single member to assemble the information.

Annual Awards:

Since all the AKC reports for 2013 have been received, all the information is available for determining the final 2013 reports.

I have not yet contacted the presumed top 5 finishers to allow them to validate their own scores. For the most part, we are really making sure that all dogs have been accounted for and ownerships have been correctly assigned.

Reading the SOP, the secretary is responsible for doing the actual contacting. I would like to make sure that is the correct protocol.

Concerns: (Still)

1. There is a need to have more members work on the awards. I think some of the people might like some time off. The work is not tremendously hard, but it is 12 times a year. Cheryl Fugate, Janet Tomlinson and Tracey Wooster have volunteered to help.

2. As stated above, the performance awards are very manual. It would be nice to make it database driven to remove issues of missing dogs/results.

Bagpiper – Barbara Gibson, Editor; Charlene Gann, Marketing; Jeff Waite, Advertising; Marcia Harbison, Circulation Manager. (Pam Williams, Liaison)

ISSUE 1 - JANUARY, 2013 – 1175 copies of Issue 1 were printed and 1100 were mailed; first class 210, bulk 838, foreign 52, the week of March 28th. 104 pages plus covers. We received 53 stud dog ads which is one more than last year. This year we again had 23 business card ads, which total \$2,300 in income.

Overall - the recent updates to the Bagpiper have been well received. Plan to continue to update the look and sections of the magazine over the next couple of issues. A low number of color ads was noted in Issue #1 and impacted income, but hoping it will pick up with Issue #2 due to Rotating. We did have an increase in the number of B&W ads vs. color.

Total Advertising Income Issue 1 - \$9,150.00

Expenses Issue 1

KMK Design \$1,072.00

JPA Printing \$4,712.43

JPA S&H \$2,098.72

Total \$7,883.15 Design, Print & Mail

The Bagpiper Issue 1 realized a NET INCOME (PROFIT) OF \$1,266.85

Bagpiper Circulation Manager: Marcia Harbison

Bagpiper Circulation is doing fine. It has been six months since I officially took over from Barb Zink and may have finally got it down. Thanks for everyone's help with questions.

When I started following Barb Zink these were the numbers we had, followed by the numbers as of March 31, 2014. We have lost a few that became STCA members and some just cancelled their subscriptions. We have made up for the lost subscribers with new ones!

August 2013 March 31st 2014

7 - 1st Class Subscribers 12 - 1st Class

45 - Bulk Class Subscribers 45 - Bulk

10 - Foreign Subscribers 9 - Foreign

Marcia has the coupon and has already begun encouraging folks who request a back copy to go ahead and take a subscription for only \$10 more. She's also planted the seed with a couple folks who are renewing that they could go ahead and join the STCA for less than the \$40 subscription. She's doing a fine job.

Bagpiper Marketing Director Report-Charlie Gann

Not much to mention in this report as the quarter for solicitations is just beginning.

I will be sending three more STCA News alerts out this month and also some post cards. Thus far one STCA News has been sent. STCA News! Bagpiper Ad Deadline - Spring 2014

Breeder Referral – Barb Zink (Liaison, Pam Williams)

The early winter months were low in requests. I have had, on the average, 1-2 request per week in this quarter. These requests are from the AKC site, STCA sight, and my own personal Website.

As you know, I do not evaluate the requests that are strictly a personal thing with each breeder. They are the only one's who can make the decision to place a dog. I do remind breeders of this every opportunity.

When I give prospective buyers names & contact information for breeders, I indicate the breeders MAY have a puppy to place, not that the DO have a puppy to place. This practice has not changed.

Postings were made to all the lists to update puppy lists in January. Update is complete.

The Breeder Referral list has had some corrections successfully updated per request, by our Web team.

I am presently considering expanding our breeder referral program to incorporate one managing breeder referral in the regions of the STCA. I do have one person in agreement and designated for the WEST, who is Sonya Neve. I am looking into who might be a good resource into each division.

I do not have a lot of first time Scottie folks. They are mostly people who have had Scotties that want to deal only with ethical breeders from the STCA. However, I have requested to get some of the booklets that Pam has, to use for information as necessary for folks who know nothing of our breed.

I have worked with Charla to update the SOP, and she does have it. Nancy Hurren has coupons for the table for new members.

Constitution and By-Laws – Helen Prince Helen did hire Mark Todd, CPA to count ballots for By-Laws changes. Approved during the March 19th, 2014 Conference Call. She will send out the ballots June 1st giving 45 days to return their ballot to Mark Todd by July 15. Article in the Bagpiper in May and in Wrapup twice. AKC has approved the changes STCA submitted.

Finance Committee – Rhea Spence, Charla Hill, Kelli Edell, Steve Russell.

(and Potential Bagpiper Article)

"FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY"

Your Board has been hard at work exercising good "Fiscal Responsibility", and over the last 5 years has orchestrated a phenomenal turnaround in the Club's finances.

Over the past 15 years, STCA operations vacillated between making and losing money each year. During the first 12 years of this period, the Club struggled to break even, losing -\$100. From 2004 to 2009, there was a precipitous \$60,000 decline from a \$30,000 profit to a nearly -\$30,000 loss.

STCA P&L

(\$40,000)

(\$30,000)

(\$20,000)

(\$10,000)

\$0

\$10,000

\$20,000

\$30,000

\$40,000

\$50,000

1999 2000 2001 2002 2003 2004 2005 2006 2007 2008 2009 2010 2011 2012 2013

LAST 15 YEARS

NET PROFIT \$s

This alarming financial situation caused the Board to contemplate actions to turnaround the Club's finances.

Beginning in 2009, the Board implemented a number of financial process improvements:

- Standardized Chart of Accounts
- QuickBooks Accounting Software
- 5-Year Plan for Operational Improvements
- Annual Budgets using Activity-Based Costing
- Transparent Monthly Treasurer's Reports at the Website

This led the Board to implement operational changes to improve our finances, including:

- re-bidding the Bagpiper Magazine production,
- changing the Montgomery Sweepstakes venue,

- increasing year-round Shoppe sales,
- producing the Grooming Manual fund raiser, and
- conservatively managing other spending, particularly Show expenses.

Over the last 5 years, these changes have generated a remarkable +\$70,000 turnaround. Since the Club returned to profitability in 2011, it has sustained an average \$36,000 profit per year for 3 years, which has allowed the Club to:

- recover losses,
- initiate discretionary projects, and
- reserve funds (savings) for a rainy day.

Fortunately, these results have also allowed us to sustain the Club's operations without increasing Membership Dues. If you are not aware, Dues have remained the same for over 20 years (since 1993).

STCA Membership Dues remain a great value, as the Club has continued adding many benefits for members without increasing costs:

- The Bagpiper magazine, National WrapUp newsletter, and STCA News! broadcast email
- Roster to stay connected with other STCA members
- Access to Regional Clubs affiliation nationwide and local specialty shows
- Networking with STCA leaders in Scottie conformation, performance and companion events
- Access to first-hand information on the Spring and Fall National Specialty weekends, breed and health seminars, and social events with online entries
- Education and mentorship in grooming, showing and breeding
- PAWS Junior Showmanship sponsorship, grants and scholarships
- Pedigrees with Registry of Merit
- Breeder Referral service and listing on STCA Web Site
- Eligibility for STCA Annual Performance and Service Awards with interim monthly award tally results

- Service on STCA Committees and Health and Rescue Trusts
- Health Trust fund research, grant writing, and library
- Dedicated Rescue and re-homing resources
- National and Regional Legislative resources
- STCA Handbooks, Club and Breed Historical Library
- PayPal online payment for dues, health & rescue donations, merchandise purchases
- Overall, the Club provides a source of many new Scottie friends who share your interests and love of the Scottish Terrier

Thanks to your Board for exercising good "Fiscal Responsibility".

Will be printed in the next Bagpiper. Lost 100 dollars. 2009 thought about raising dues but didn't .

Gazette Columnist – Kathy Ferris (Liaison, Nancy Hurren)

I do not have much to report at this time. I am currently working on my next article, which has a deadline of May 5th for the August 2013 issue. The issue currently up online is March. Once the May issue has been published I will forward a copy of the May column.

Again, I would like to extend an offer to the board to feel free to contact me with any possible topics or suggestions they might like to see. I only ask that you give me advance notice since we are working with deadlines. Using a guest to write articles. Website has a link to the Gazette article

Health Trust Fund –Chair; Marcia Dawson; Lisa Kincheloe, Treasurer; Helen Prince, Secretary; Gloria Kilby, Mike Krolewski, Barb Zink, & John Leith.

The HTF is all set for the Health Fair to be held all day on Saturday April 27. Discounted tests will be provided for vWD and the OFA's Eye Certification Registry Eye Exam. Patella exams will be available for free, and micro chipping with the new AKC Reunite international 9 digit chips will be provided at a discounted price. Also, the HTF will be providing the Michigan State CMO tests for sale at a discount. The HTF will provide a video loop running clips of various health related topics. We will have on display a new raffle item, a 1916 framed chromolithograph by Lillian Cheviot, and tickets will be sold over the weekend. We also plan a drawing at the banquet for a special prize open to all Health Fair participants. Unfortunately, I have received only 11 registrations for the Eye Clinic. The preregistration period closed on Wednesday April 9, so unless there is a huge influx of registrations in the mail by Friday

4/11/14, the Eye Clinic will be canceled. The absolute minimum number of preregistrations for the ophthalmologist is 25 dogs, with 35 her preference.

After Rotating, the HTF will start planning for the Emergency and First Aid seminar to be held at MCKC on Thursday October 2, 2014 after the STCA Hospitality Reception. We will provide more information as we make plans.

The HTF has been discussing ways to encourage our breeders to enter more of their breeding stock into the CHIC Registry. We believe that this registry is very valuable and we need more by in by breeders. Some suggestions are:

1. To offer financial incentives such as a free vWD test to the first 5 or 10 CHIC registrations in 2014;
2. Hold a drawing for free vWD tests or CMO tests for all CHIC participants at the end of the year;
3. Discount the Bagpiper #1 2015 stud dog ad price by a certain % for all dogs who have a CHIC number, for example 50% off;
4. Create an STCA Elite Breeder Status for STCA breeders who are AKC Breeders of Merit and who have CHIC some or all of their breeding stock. This Elite Breeder Status list would be recognized in the Bagpiper and these breeders could be named at the Annual Awards Dinner.

The HTF would appreciate Board suggestions and recommendations on these ideas.

The HTF is also investigating the DNA Bank with the OFA to determine if banking Scottie DNA will be valuable for future research and profiling.

Mike Krolewski will be contacting all Scottie owners who entered their dogs in the Longevity Database on the STCA website to update their dogs' information. We are also looking at the database to determine the overall value to breeders. At the present time, there is very little activity on this listing.

At this time there is no request for expenditure of HTF fund to support research. We are waiting to hear from Dr. Debbie Knapp from Purdue about her TCC Screening project. She submitted a grant request to the Morris Animal Foundation, and the HTF wrote a letter of support included in her grant request. If she is successful, then the HTF will be asked to help fund this project. At that time, I will write the Board with details and be available to answer any questions.

On another topic, I am making plans to attend the Door County Scottie Rally in May 16-17th. I believe it is very important for the HTF and the STCA to be represented. I understand that Dr. Knapp is giving a presentation on bladder cancer, and there will also be a couple of representatives from Dr. Ostrander's lab at the NIH present, who are also performing research on TCC with STCA support. Joseph Harvill from Great Scots Magazine is attending as well. This will be an opportunity to spread good will, learn what is going on with TCC, and to reach

out to the major groups of non-STCA Scottie owners. Keeping the 2015 STCA Health Survey in mind, I am hopeful that we might be able to incorporate MANY other Scotties and make this a true picture of the breed.

AD-HOC Committee to the HTF – Helen Prince will talk to the HT about forming a committee to research and recommend to the Board some way to recognize breeders that are CHIC registered. Ask Kathy Ferris to do an article the Gazette. Ask Marcia Dawson to do a Bagpiper article about the importance Eye Testing. Need more blood samples for the AKC Chic Blood. Currently 225 Scotties in CHIC.

Historian – Janet Tomlinson (Liaison, Charla Hill)

Since my report on February 1, 2014:

1. Have not met with Web Team – Reader for website is still in research by web team members.
 2. Having received permission from Craig Savino, AKC librarian, to use/reproduce information in AKC Kennel Gazettes, I have been going through them collecting information and have scanned some articles to the website.
 3. Craig Savino, AKC librarian, will be sending me some of the STCA items archived by them – not yet received. Will follow up with Craig, who has been out of town.
 4. Have been in contact with Muriel P. Lee. Muriel has agreed to donate a complete collection of Terrier Types to STCA. I will be receiving these at the end of this month.
 5. Am waiting on publishing pedigree books donated by Muriel to see if the web team can create a pedigree format, which will allow photos.
 6. I am still in the process of uploading old Bagpipers up to and including the year 2000.
 7. I am in the process of uploading the Terrier Types (on loan from Charla) to the website, of which 100 + have been published to date.
- Paul Pruitt, Publisher/Owner Terrier Type Magazine has requested that we let people know Terrier Type Magazine still exists and is coming out with their 50th anniversary issue.
8. Have written and/or placed several articles on website in historian library. Latest being an excerpt by Betty Malinka from Dog World.
 9. Am working on a historical collection of breed standards and comments on same, written by different people, from 1900 forward from all the periodicals, magazines, books I've collected.
 10. Have purchased more magazines personally owned, for research:

AKC Gazettes Dog Worlds

11. Have updated all Regional Club information to archive files as it comes in.
12. Still avidly searching for Francis G. Lloyd (1926) winner.
13. USB disc of photos from William "Bill" Nixon of his entire collection of Scottish Terrier memorabilia – have not done anything with this yet – when historical photo library is started will use these.
14. Having received permission from Michael Krolewski to use any photos on his site – when historical photo library is started will use these.
15. Still have not received any materials for 2013/2014 from Mary O'Neal.
16. Have received AKC Titles and Performance records and archived for 2012 and 2013 from Michael Krolewski. He will continue sending them to me as he receives them.
17. Expenditures: None to date that I will be turning in for reimbursement.
18. Items missing (required per SOP): 2013 are all rollovers from previous report.

2013:

- STC of California – June 21, 2013 – Photo Ch. Roundtown Everyday Magic Maryscot
- STC of Greater Dallas – Premium List; corresponding with owner of BOB – she will send photo when she gets it
- STC of Chicago – Premium List
- STC of New England – Premium List and Catalog
- Washington State STC – Premium List
- STC of Greater Houston – Photo, Premium List, Catalog; corresponding with Tina Percy for this information
- STC of Michigan – Have written Pat Wooster for Premium List, catalog, photo for 2013

2014:

- Have STC of Greater Dayton Specialty Results – need photo of BIS

- Have Heart of America STC Specialty Results – need photo of BIS
- STC of Michigan – have Premium Listing for The Magic Of Scotties National Rotating Specialty and info package and will place in archives upon return to NC.

19. Am collecting information and creating a list of all National Rotating Specialties, BIS of same, where held, what year, including Judge's name, at Charla's suggestion.

20. Lori has mentioned in Wrapup to send catalogs to me. I will follow up by requesting the regional club rep to remind regional clubs to send them to the historian for the archives whenever communicating with them.

21. I have backed up all scanned materials to DVD's and/or will place (d) in Archives.

Steve Russell and Nancy Hurren will talk to Mary O'Neal about the Archives database.

Junior Showmanship – SueAnnette Maniscalco Chair, (Liaison, Pat Wooster)

January 24, 2014-April 7, 2014

PAWS For Juniors has increased our treasury fund with donations that came from dues, which exceeds the last amount obtained from the Treasurer of \$5,126.532. We have not had any expenditure during this time period. We do expect expenditures from raffle items that have been purchased from Radley of London of \$90.44. We may have incidental expenditures relating to the 2014 raffle such as new raffle tickets or printing.

Beginning at the rotating in April we will be selling raffle tickets to raise money for scholarships and grants. The second and third prize items have been purchased which are Id holders or phone cases. The first prize is a 16X20 print done on canvas of your dog. The expenditure for this item will not happen until the winner at the annual dinner in October has the print made. The approximate cost for this item is \$179.

Our goal is to support young people who show Scottish Terriers in Junior Showmanship who are members of the STCA. We support these Juniors by providing mentorships, educational scholarships and grants. We even provide these funds to members who have aged out of Juniors and are continuing their education. The Grants can offset some expenses that are incurred by travel going to important dog show events such as Montgomery County, Eukanuba or the rotating. Kathy Vogt will sell raffle ticket at Rotating. All Juniors should be included and active in the PAWS Program and if they have a raffle be at the dinner to sell tickets

Judge's Education Report: Kathi Brown

Recent feedback to the JEC by exhibitors evidenced concern regarding the proper examination of the Scottish Terrier. While new and aspiring judges of our breed attend STCA Seminars and are involved in observations and mentoring others who have been approved to judge do not generally attend. In an effort to remind all judges that there is an expectation of proper

examination in the standard as well as prescribed by AKC a letter has been drafted and will be sent to all judges. The letter will be published by the AKC Judging Operations in the April judge's newsletter which is sent to all. The letter will be mailed to all group and breed judges. This letter written by Kathi, illustrated by Darle and approved by the board addresses the following points:

The Scottish Terrier is a table dog and should never be examined on the ground

Proper examination of the head and muzzle

Proper examination of the brisket

Assessment of the depth of chest

The STCA will be holding a Judge's breed seminar on Thursday July 17 in conjunction with the Houston All –Terrier Group Show and the Reliant Cluster in Houston Texas.

General Education: An outline for a two-day Scottish Terrier Symposium with numerous possible breakout session was developed and sent to the board for consideration. The STCA Board approved the reconfiguration of breed education at our winter board meeting in February. The reconfigured committee is titled BREED EDUCATION, and it has two subcommittees; Member Education and Judges Education. There are 20 Regional Clubs in the USA, and they are divided into 4 regions. The tentative plan for 2015, beginning in 2014 when planning is completed, is to host 4 Regional Symposiums. Kathi has outlined in a first draft a comprehensive plan for hosting these symposiums.

Once we have a region interested in hosting the first symposium the specific agenda as well as presenters will be developed with the region.

I would like to suggest to the STCA Board of Directors that Kari Hill be considered to be the Member Education Subcommittee coordinator and that for the meantime that the Judges' Education Co-chairs remains as they are and utilize the extensive talents of our approved breed mentor lists for the Judges' Education component of this plan.

Motion: to approve Kari Hill to be Breeder Member Education Coordinator. Williams/Burge.
Passed unanimously

Legislation – Charlene Gann, Lisa Hills, Elaine Wallace, Liz Lufrano.

Have solicited for AKC CLSF donations in clubs

Have solicited for AKC PAC president's challenge

Have written to Wrap-Up an article on the AKC PAC

Went to the county assembly as a delegate-met with state senator Kevin Lundberg and invited him to our specialty.

I am a delegate to the state assembly 4/12/14 and will be seeking out Weld and Larimer county representatives to invite them to our specialty. (There is no time to discuss dog laws at the assembly's obviously only brief interludes before voting begins)

I've been in frequent correspondence and conversation with our CFDC liaison on state and AHPIS issues. She makes the frequent visits to our capitol for us in presenting dog law concerns. (She lives in Denver)

Wrote article for Bagpiper on AKC PAC

Liz Lufrano has sent for publication with permission granted legislative articles. She keeps doing battle on the dog law front.

Lisa Hills continues to meet with legislators and works close with the AKC government relations as well as send state alerts to members.

Lisa wrote the recent Bagpiper article on her trip to the AKC conference in North Carolina.

Article Title Date

1 Maryland Update: Last Chance to Comment on Anti-BSL, Other Dog Measures Tuesday, 08 April 2014
2 Iowa Update: Ask the Senate to Oppose New Breeder Restrictions! Tuesday, 08 April 2014
3 Miami-Dade County to Consider Anti-Breeder Ordinance on Tuesday April 8th Tuesday, 08 April 2014
4 MD Alert: Anti-BSL, Debarking Bills Head to Governor Friday, 04 April 2014
5 Federal Update: Congress Passes Farm Bill with Two Improvements to the Animal Welfare Act Wednesday, 05 February 2014
6 Legislative Update: Numerous States Considering Prohibiting BSL Wednesday, 05 February 2014
7 URGENT—Public Hearing Tomorrow, 2/6/14, on Dog Owner Registration Bill Wednesday, 05 February 2014

Membership – Kelli Edell, Helen Prince, Pam Williams.

New Business:

Maxine and Dan Stickler were approved for Honorary Membership by secret ballot. – Votes - 12 Yes

New Members in 2014:

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Pending Membership Applications: date to vote 5/23/14

As of April 9, 2014 there are applications pending that represent 23 new members and one reapplicant:

- 12 new applicants that were published in Bagpiper #1 and will be voted on in May, 2014 (5 individual, 3 family and 1 junior memberships);
- 8 new applicants that will be published in Bagpiper #2 for 2014 (3 individual, 2 family and 1 junior memberships); and
- 4 applicants (4 individual memberships) whose applications are incomplete at this time.

Applicants that were published in Bagpiper #1, 2014:

Virgilio "Billy" & Adrian Badilla
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Paranaque City 1711
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advira@mindgate.net
Sponsors: Pilar Kuhn & Rod Ott, Debi & Steve Russell

Ralph Foote
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Sponsors: Mary Helen Rice, Jo-Anne Riddle

Murray & Carolyn Hicks
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416.249.2498

murray.hicks@sympatico.ca

Sponsors: Linda St. James, Nancy McBride

James & Jill King

11 Fairview Lane

Mechanicville, NY 12118

518.664.2054

jking@couchwhite.com

Sponsors: Marianne Melucci, Sally Fischel

Tambre Knox

Kennel Prefix: Ceilidh

89 Washington St.

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thegypsyvoice@gmail.com

Sponsors: Linda Orsborn, Scott Rutherford

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956.761.4883

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Sponsors: Sonya Neve, Cindy Cooke

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Sponsors: Sueannette Maniscalco, Adrian Sanchez

Ray & Belinda Holman

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2201 Herbert Garrett Rd.zxc

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931.252.0200

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Robert Kerr

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Sponsors: Linda St. James, Sandy Acquilla

Nanae Murayama

Kennel Prefix: Tartan

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Sponsors: Rod Ott & Pilar Kuhn, Adrian Sanchez

Jr. Membership:

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Sponsors: Debby Fowler, Joyce Alleyne Wyler

All applicants have received ongoing communication regarding the status and evolution of their applications. No negative feedback has been received on any applicant to date.

Public Information and Education - Nancy Hurren. Sent President Charla Hill ideas for promoting STCA membership such as recruiting committee members in various parts of the country who regularly attend regional specialties, all-breed shows, etc. and providing them with material to hand out; having a table at regional shows with the hand out material, membership forms and a clipboard where people could write down their name and phone number if they want more information; encouraging breeders to provide new puppy buyers with a Bagpiper subscription, Press releases, Marcia Harbison has a list of Bagpiper subscribers which Nancy

Hurren can get from her and put them on the Wrapup List, etc. Will send out letters to owners of non-STCA member new champion and title owners as soon as I receive current membership list. Regional Clubs – Lori Kelly

½ page ads are in progress for each of the 2014 regional club specialty catalog ads. Most recently, ads have been sent to the following clubs for inclusion in specialty show catalogs: STC California, GPSTC, and STCGNY. Ad is prepared and ready to send to STCGL. STCNE and Washington STC were asked to submit contacts and info on costs, deadlines, and to whom ads are to be sent. R. Spence is handling payments as requested.

A letter was prepared and will be ready to send to each of the regional club presidents on May 1. Content addresses a renewed effort of communication between the regionals and parent club and of significance, the relation between the parent and regional club. Accompanying this letter will be a description of the role of the regional and the parent club relationship. Text of this letter was shared with the Board prior to the February meeting and approved, pending revision of the SOP and final text of letter and SOP to include that this is voluntary role and that expenses are not budgeted as they are for the parent club's Delegate to the AKC.

Most importantly, the board approved the recommendation that the Regional Club Representative should now have a more defined leadership set of responsibilities, as appointed by each regional club with assigned a new title: Regional Club Delegate to the STCA. The position is strictly a non-paying, volunteer position, appointed by each Regional Club to serve as a liaison to the STCA and "hub" of communications between and among fellow Regional Club Delegates to the STC. A new SOP was written this month and will be submitted and reviewed for approval at the April 24 meeting. The Chair of the Regional Club Representatives, approved by the Board will also be renamed: Chairman of the Regional Club Delegates to the STCA. A new SOP has been written and will be reviewed for approval at the April 24 meeting.

Notes in WrapUp reminding Regional Clubs to advertise for Free in the Bagpiper are ongoing. Messages are also sent to each of the regional clubs.

We are looking for a new Chairman of the Regional Club Delegates to the STCA who will take on the responsibilities of meetings; coordinating STCA ½ page ads in regional club specialty show catalogs, and assistance with STCA's hospitality in October, etc. as outlined in the new SOP. I will continue to serve as Chairman of the Regional Delegates to the STCA with a goal to have a new Chairman in place at the after Annual After-Dinner meeting on Oct. 3, 2014.

Helen has come up with a form goes out to the President. Sending out a letter submit to corresponding secretary. Regional club representative, corresponding secretary, recording secretary and regional club representative.

Helen Prince has come up with form to send to the Regional Clubs on a yearly basis to get updated club information so that STCA has current information. They would have to send us this information yearly just after their annual elections, just like they have to do for AKC in order to get permission to have their show.

Regional Club Update return to the Corresponding Secretary and The Regional Club Questionnaire goes to the Regional Club Chair.

Instead of doing another blanket (2 year) approval of Regional Club Specialties go back to approving annually. At Montgomery will review the approval process for Regional Specialties.

Received an email from Claudia Leffler, concerning their 2015 Specialty. Tabled till May Conference Call.

Rescue - Erica Cerny, Jeanne Lishia. (Liaison, Helen Prince)

Quarter I 2014

The Rescue committee continues to support our rescue coordinators around the country with a variety of rescue situations as well as assisting the public with questions and referrals.

We also continue to mentor our rescuers around the country in any matters for which they request our help. We continue to try to build expertise and share knowledge about best practices and taking advantage of new technologies.

We have completed the thank you acknowledgements for those who donated to the RTF with their yearly dues renewals. We thank the membership for their generosity this year.

We assisted with some of our rescue teams applications for 501C3 status and also yearly state charitable organization tax filings and registrations as requested, in accordance with our goal of educating and sharing information with our network to make them more effective.

The yearly Rescue Survey was completed, and the total was 501 with some of the rescuers still not yet reported.

The treasurer's position was successfully transitioned to Linda Hill, our new RTF Treasurer, effective January first. She has submitted her first report for this upcoming meeting. An audit is being scheduled to review last year's records.

Rescue Trust - Erica Cerny & Jeanne Lishia. Co-coordinators; Linda Hill, Treasurer; Barbara Ljunggren, Norma Mitchell.

(Liaison, Helen Prince)

Profit and Loss Statement

STCA Rescue Trust Fund

Fiscal Year 2013

Income

Beginning Bank Balance \$11575.12

2013 Donations 13805.25

Total Income \$25380.37

Expenses

Rescue Grants * \$10231.63

Returned Donation Checks 285.00

Bank Charges 20.00

Insurance Bond 187.00

Montgomery Rescue Parade 167.15

Total Expense \$10930.78

Profit/Loss \$14449.59

*Attachment

Allocation of Grants

STCA Rescue Trust Fund

Fiscal Year 2013

Dog Amount

Mimi OH Rescue \$ 944.74

Layla OH Rescue 495.40

Foster Dog, OH Rescue 476.35

Scotty Scott, NC Rescue 1500.00

Maggie TX Rescue 225.00

Molly Ott, MD Owner Grant 1426.11

Charlie Brady CT Rescue 1000.00

Abigail WV Rescue 1000.00

Bristol NJ Owner Grant 761.48

Maddie WV Rescue 902.55

Nori MD Rescue 1500.00

Total Grants \$10231.63

RTF Treasurer's Report: Linda L. Hill, RTF Treasurer

January 1, 2014 to March 31, 2014

Beginning Balance \$14,449.59

Plus Deposits: \$10,224.98

Donations received direct by Treasurer \$440.00

\$200.00 deposited 1/10/14

\$100.00 deposited 1/27/14

\$140.00 deposited 2/26/14

Check received from STCA for \$9,559.98

donations received with dues

payments deposited 3/20/14

Donations made through PayPal \$225.00

received 3/31/14 _____

\$10,224.98

Less Expenses: \$1,534.00

Emergency abdominal surgery for \$1,500.00

Emily, West Virginia

Checks ordered 1/09/14 \$34.00

\$1,534.00

Ending Balance: \$23,140.57

SOP's - Lori Kelly, Charla Hill, Helen Prince

The balance of the updated SOPs were presented for approval. Explanations to wording given.

Motion: to approve the STCA Bagpiper Editor SOP submitted with changes. Williams/Wooster. Passed unanimously.

Motion: to approve the SOP Chairperson of the Regional Club Delegates to the STCA SOP submitted with changes. Russell/Spence. Passed unanimously.

Motion: to approve the Membership Committee SOP submitted with changes. Prince/Williams. Passed unanimously. Motion: to approve the Membership Packet Forms submitted with changes. Hurren/Gann. Passed unanimously.

Motion: to approve the National Rescue Coordinator as submitted. Prince/Edell. Passed unanimously.

Motion: to approve the National Rotating Host Club SOP submitted with changes. Prince/Edell. Passed unanimously.

Motion: to approve the National Sweepstakes/Obedience Secretary SOP submitted with changes. Williams/Spence. Passed unanimously.

Motion: to approve the Nominating Committee SOP submitted with changes. Edell/Burge. Passed unanimously.

Motion: to approve the Obedience and Rally Chair SOP as submitted. Prince/Hurren. Passed unanimously.

Motion: to approve Position Descriptions Officers and Trustees of The STCA Rescue Trust Fund submitted. Prince/Spence. Passed unanimously

Motion: to approve the Recording Secretary SOP submitted with changes. Prince/Wooster. Passed unanimously.

Motion: to approve the Regional Club Delegates to the STCA SOP with changes. Edell/Spence. Passed unanimously.

Motion: to approve the Vice President SOP submitted with changes. Hurren/Williams. Passed unanimously.

Motion: to approve the Web Technology Committee SOP submitted with changes. Wooster/Prince. Passed unanimously.

TABLED - Independent Agility Trial Agility Chairperson SOP

TABLED – STCA Facebook SOP

TABLED – Annual Tally Committee SOP

Standard Committee – Merle Taylor, Chair; Kathi Brown, Kathy Ferris, Darle Heck, & Tom Hossfeld.

Held conference call meeting and minutes were uploaded to STCA web site.

Sunshine- Charlene Gann.

Lori Kelly-Thinking of you and family 2/25/14

Bill Berry-Sympathy for mother 3/19/14

Buffy Stamm-Birthday 3/25/14

Bartos family- Sympathy 3/28/14

Steve Russell –Get Well 4/1/14

Sue Cerka-Speedy recovery from surgery-4/7/14

Mark La Bonte-Sympathy 4/7/14

Trophies – Adrian Sanchez, National Chair; Jim DeArmond and Regina Hess,

No Report. President Hill purchased handmade ceramic trophies for the Rotating 2014

Wrap Up – On line Newsletter, Lori Kelly, Editor

WrapUp continues to provide valuable communication to the membership. The April 6, 2014 issue was filled with information pertinent to upcoming specialties. Most importantly, information with helpful links back to the STCA website was included for Rotating '14 and the HTF Clinic/Fair/Raffle. We added links to the Bagpiper new, 1st-time subscriber coupons, invitation to attend an open session of the Board on Thurs., April 24, and new deadline for Performance/Versatility awards paperwork (6/1). Additional specialties were featured: STCGNY, STCGL, STCNE, GPSTC, STC California, STC Chicago, STC Greater Baltimore.

Regular features continue: legislation, PAWS for Juniors, Ways & Means, notes to regional clubs, and other snippets of helpful information.

The web team continues to be instrumental in assistance and guidance with publishing. Thanks to Bob Gann, Web Master for emailing announcement with link to members..

Ways and Means – Lori Kelly

A limited number of pieces for sale will be delivered to Rotating. I am pleased to report that we have volunteers for Montgomery/Sweepstakes. Additional volunteers are needed!

Inventory is quickly diminishing. Replenishment is needed of the cotton throws. Supplier has been contacted and will hold 2013 pricing. Approval is needed at this time. Blanket/cover seal in red on pocket

Current inventory is \$2178.42 (1 throw, 44 totes, scarves, T-shirts). Lori asks to order 30 throws for \$1000.00, 50 stadium blankets, and 100 Black totes. Tabled the discussion concerning the vendor "Son of a Snitch" until we have more information. Theme for Montgomery Ways and Means table: Health Trust in October – red, white and black.

Motion: to authorize Lori Kelly to spend \$2800.00 on Ways and Means Items. Prince/Russell. Passed unanimously.

Commemorative Pins – Marianne Melucci has agreed to donate an image for the 2014 1x1" square pin. Lori Kelly will work with Marianne on theme to complement Ways & Means color theme. Production will begin in July for September delivery

Web Technology - Bob Gann, Chair; Glenda Tucker, Michael Krolewski, & Michael Bohl. (Liaison, Steve Russell)

Operations: The STCA website continues to operate in a stable steady state and perform well as it has done for over 3-½ years. (See attached Site Visit Statistics.)

Recent Activities (since the January Board Meeting):

- 2014 Rotating information placed on the site.
- We have a pretty standard template for this information.
- Added on-line reservations for meals, seminar and HTF.
- Pedigree updated:
- Completed installing a Pedigree update from Mary O'Neal this Spring.

- Bagpiper new feature installed:
- "Special deal" posted with ½-price subscription coupons for non-members.
- Broadcast email and maintenance:
- Various STCA News! alerts and updates sent.
- Updates to STCA News! addresses per current roster.
- Site upgrade work in progress (Joomla v3):
- STCA admin Bob Gann has pulled back and is working primarily on migration to the next version. No changes will be made until after Rotating.
- o Other team members continue to manage day-to-day operations.
- ♣ Exceptions: Bob is still managing STCA News! Emails – though we have trained Mike B to do this so he can do news.
- Note: It is important change requests be sent to the team via the FEEDBACK form – not emails to stcaadmin@stca.biz (which go directly to Bob Gann).

Site Visit Statistics:

Site visiting is fairly stable, the following graphs shows the data from the last 16 months.

update website by Montgomery - timeframe before July hopefully by June.

Paypal – STCA receives approx. \$124,000.00 in revenue of which \$60,000.00 goes through Paypal

Paypal expense is about 2.6%- as was expected. PayPal software will be updated once the web site software is upgraded summer July 2014.

Montgomery Weekend No Reports

Catalog Advertising and Information – Debi Russell. (Liaison, Lori Kelly)

Banquet Reservations – Janet Tomlinson. (Liaison, Lori Kelly)

Support Team - (Liaison, Lori Kelly) Charley Cornman, Chair.

Trophy Engraving, Cliff Schultz.

Ring Decorations, Dan and April Green.

Judge's Gifts, Lori Kelly.

Old Business

"Limited Edition" 18 month STCA Calendar July 2015 through 2016 Proposal: Pam Williams

The Photo Contest will be announced starting in 2014 Bagpiper Issue #2 and deadline for the contest will be the 2015 Bagpiper #1 Issue deadline with winners announced in the 2015 Bagpiper #1. It will be printed in Feb/March 2015 and be available at the 2015 Rotating and in the shoppe on the website. Pam recommends STCA purchased 500 calendars at \$2102.68 = 4.21 per calendar.

Motion: to authorize Pam Williams the printing of 500 2015-2016 calendars. Prince/Burge. Passed unanimously.

New Business

AKC Pet Disaster Relief Trailer: Helen Prince

The AKC is asking parent clubs to donate \$22,000 toward the purchased of a Pet Disaster Relief Trailer which costs \$25, 000. Helen wanted to know if STCA would donate money toward a trailer. There is no guarantee in what area of the country the trailer would be used. Lori Kelly, Helen Prince and Jerry Burge to check with Regional Clubs to see if they have Relief Trailer in their area. Lori Kelly will get a list of trailers nationally and report back on the May Board Conference Call.

Motion: to adjourned at 6:00 pm. Spence/Hurren. Passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted, Recording Secretary Theresa Kay Thomas