

Bagpiper Report

October 2020

Pam Williams, Editor

2020 has been a difficult year for the Bagpiper with the impact of the virus on the state of dog shows. We have had few ads submitted without offering a discount. The ads we have received have not generated income to cover the expenses. We are very appreciative for all the support we have received from our advertisers.

We have made the following changes to minimize losses:

- Discounted pricing of the deluxe color ad to half price - \$162.50
- Introduction of the Ceilidh section for half page ads for - \$95
- Reduce the number of pages in the issue
- Reduce quantity printed and eliminate mailing to judges

I recommend that we discount pricing on issue four as well on the half page deluxe ads. Issue four cover will feature the 120th anniversary head image that Melanie designed. In issue four we have invited members to place a quarter page ad for \$40 to thank or acknowledge/celebrate our 120th anniversary.

As Editor, I want to thank Charla Hill for her role as past Editor and as Circulation Manager these last few years. I also welcome Kari Hill as the new Circulation Manager, Fran Sanden as the Editorial Manager and Charlie Gann back as Marketing Manager. Kathy McAra has done a terrific job as Performance Editor this past year.

We will draw the cover winners for 2021 in this meeting. They will be for issues one and two. Issue three will go to the winners of Rotating and four will go to the winners of Montgomery.

In 2021, I anticipate returning to our normal pricing structure regardless of the status of dog shows. If ad sales do not recover other options will need to be considered such as moving to three issues per year.

Annual Awards Report

The Recipients and Sponsor's letters were mailed around August 7, 2020
The booklet was proofed by Mark, Lori, Pam, Mary Helen, Kellie Verrille and Helen and finalize was sent to the printer the week of 9/21/20. They were mailed to all the sponsors, recipients, 25 year and 50 year members with their pins, historian, board and committee members on 9/25.

Deborah Brooks, Christine Stephens, Larae Shafer, Kari Hill were sending their awards this week. I have the Lloyd Plaques and the Top 20 plaque I was taking to Carla this week. I need to mail the Agility and Good Showmanship and Silver Medallions this week too.

Theresa

STCA Public Information Chair Report

Submitted by Kathleen P. Dunleavy

Time Period: March 2020 – June 2020

Activity:

I reviewed the reports of Scottish Terriers AKC New Titleholders for STCA membership using the most recent STCA roster. Any new titleholders that were non-STCA members were sent a congratulatory letter from STCA including an STCA brochure and STCA Paws for Juniors brochure. The letter sent to new titleholders also included their STCA regional corresponding secretary contact information.

In addition, I sent the new titleholder information (only street addresses are available) to the pertinent STCA regional corresponding secretary to foster outreach to the new titleholder.

The number of new AKC titleholders is significantly down for this time period due to the cancellation of AKC events.

Sunshine cards sent December 2019-August 15-20

Helen Krisko-Speedy healing 7/20

Debby Fowler-Speedy recovery 7/20

Charla-Thinking of you still 7/20

Jackie Forkel-Sympathy for mother 7/3

Lydia Coleman-Hutchinson-Sympathy for husband 7/2

Margaret Banker-Sympathy 6/3

Siobhan Olson-Sympathy for husband 5/27

Michael Krolewski-Speedy recovery 5/27

Tambre Knox-Sympathy for mother 4/24

Debra Shaver-Sympathy for mother 4/20

Karen Bay-Sympathy for Ray Bay 4/20

Dale heck-Sympathy for Ryan Heck

Allen Auld-Sympathy for Barb Gibson 4/3

Karen Campbell- sympathy for Corder Campbell 4/3

Betty MacArthur-Encouragement for husband 3/6

Barbara Gibson-Encouragement 2/28

Judy Makem-Speedy recovery 2/28

Sheila Maw and family-Sympathy for husband 2/24

Barbra Gibson-Thinking of you 2/21

Coder Campbell-Encouragement 2/22

Michael Bronsky-Thinking of You 2/22

The Sears-Thinking of you 2/17

Carla LaCoe-Sympathy for husband Dick LaCoe 2/18

Barbara Gibson-Thinking of you 2/10

Norm Prince-Speedy recovery 1/29

Tamara Lazarus-Best wishes 2/2

Paul Ljunggren-Sympathy for mother 1/16

Betty Cooper-Get well soon 1/6

Leland Thomas-Thinking of you 12/4/19

STCA Board report for PAWS For Juniors

Sueannette Maniscalco, Chair

January 2020-August 2020

PAWS For Juniors supports young people who show Scotties. We help them find Junior Clinics around the country, aid in grooming and handling instruction. Grants are offered to assist young people and their families to get to Montgomery County or any other important event. Educational scholarships are also offered to help them become better educated adults.

Since dog shows have been shut down in most of the country for at the least three months and in some parts of the country have not resumed, there is nothing to report.

I am starting a series of articles that will appear in the Bagpiper. The topics will include: What was the advantages your adult child learned from being in Juniors and Breed as a young person. As an adult who as a child competed in Juniors and Breed, how did that experience add to your life? Now that you are an adult with a child of your own, are you going to have your child show dogs? And the final question will be to parents of current Juniors. What are the positives that your child has learned from showing dogs.

We are also looking at ways to find other young Scottie owners that we do not know to become members of the STCA so they can benefit from the many opportunities that membership provides.

Scottish Terrier Club Of America
Board Report 2020
Pat Wooster

Prepared 7/27/20

Trophies were ordered for 2020 National Rotating from Prairie Dog Pottery. The STCA 2020 National Rotating was cancelled. The Rotating Trophies will now be used for STCA Rotating 2021.

No Trophies for were ordered for our National Specialty at Montgomery as the show was cancelled.

Respectfully submitted
Pat Wooster
Trophy Chair

Kathi Brown, Co Judges Education Coordinator Report

August, 2020

As might be expected due to the months of COVID cancellations and restrictions this report may be brief. However, during the restrictions we have been able to progress in providing education for new and experienced judges through the AKC Sponsored Judges' Education Webinar series which reached hundreds of breeders and judges.

AKC Judges' Education Webinar Series featuring the Scottish Terrier Broadcast on May 8th, 2020

Early April I had been contacted by Tim Thomas, VP of Dog Show Judges, regarding the opportunity to host and present a webinar on our breed. I took the opportunity to view a couple of the initial broadcast and on April 7th confirmed our date with AKC. In preparation for this new medium I revisited our STCA PowerPoint and initiated the reformatting and addition of new slides to best reflect an online presentation. I took the 39 original slides and added pictures and information highly reflective of the STCA Illustrated Guide to the Scottish Terrier. The presentation PowerPoint consisted of 79 text and picture slides organized in accordance to the standard. Marianne Melucci provided the new title slide that is now the same picture as on the Illustration and Grooming Guide covers. Many of Darle Heck's Illustrations were added including three slides which provided an opportunity for judges to practice pictorial judging at the end. Pictures were added, with signed releases from the owners and photographers, showing our breed in other AKC events such as Agility and Obedience. Working with the AKC and Canine College I was able to obtain and embed a movement clip from the AKC Video on our breed. Together with Lori Kelly and Arianne Melucci we were able to post documents on the breed to our website so that attendees could visit, download and view additional materials on the breed that a generally provided as handout during in person seminars.

- The Scottish Terrier was presented on the 90 Minute Webinar Series on May 8, 2020.
- Over 384 people attended our presentation including many members, breeders and judges,



Copy of Judges
Education Webinar_ 5

- The attendance list is attached to this report.
- The Webinar is now posted on the AKC Site and can be viewed at:
<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/recording/1380944130306029830>
- Outstanding reviews were received and posted.

Applications to be STCA Judges Mentor

Two requests for STCA Judges Mentorships were initiated during this quarter. The website forms were checked and now reflect the correct documentation which was forwarded to each person. One was filed and completed with all agreements and background. I interviewed the applicant and forwarded the forms to Tom Hossfeld who subsequently interviewed the person. As normal process these forms with our interview dates have been forwarded to the Board of Directors via Lori Kelly. If a positive action is taken by the Board of Directors please inform me 24negative or no action is taken please inform the applicant directly.

**Upcoming AKC/DJAA Advanced Judges' Institute
Wednesday December 9, 2020**

The STCA will be presenting at the above Institute in Orlando in conjunction with the AKC /Royal Canin Shows. We have been assigned the midday Wednesday slot for our presentation. This consists of a 90 minute presentation seminar with a break for lunch and an afternoon hour hands-on judging practice for attendees. I will present the morning seminar and use one dog for an example. The Hands-on in the afternoon will require 6-8 dogs for participants to judge. Since I am judging on Friday at the Tampa Bay Specialty I will get another STCA Breed Mentor to conduct the hands-on portion. Kari Hill, STCA Judge Mentor, will conduct the entire afternoon hands on session = I will not be present for this portion, view, nor put hands-on any of these dogs as I will be judging the Tampa Specialty on Friday. Kari has worked with me as part of the Education Committee during numerous seminars. A letter will be drafted seeking dogs to participate in the Wednesday afternoon judging practice session. Kari will coordinate participants.

If any Board Member/owner is willing to provide a dog for the Wednesday afternoon judges hands-on session please notify Kati Hill. She will also send a request for dogs to the STC of Tampa Bay.

This generally is the largest Judge's Institute and opportunity for reaching potential judges. At this time we are all hopeful that the shows and institute will be held.

I had already sent in a estimate of **financial** support from the STCA for the Institute. I will only **request one night hotel and dinner**. No airfare is requested. **Materials (copies and folders will be needed in the number of allowed attendees).**

NEED: 30 copies of the new edition of the Illustrated Guide to the Scottish Terrier should be sent to Kari Hill as she will be driving the materials to Orlando.

ROM/HOF Report – August 2020

To: STCA Board Members
From: Janet Tomlinson, ROM/HOF Chair, 2015-2020
Date: July 9, 2020
Re: Report –January 9, 2020 through July 9, 2020

STCA Registry of Merit/Hall of Fame Certificates Issued:

Dog	Owner	Certificate No.
GCHP CH Afterglows Miss Jenny Lind ROM (F)	Lisa Inman Lee	6292071

A total of 1 certificate was issued by Janet Tomlinson and sent by Margaret O'Brien since last report.

Historian Report – August 2020

To: STCA Board Members
From: Janet Tomlinson, Historian 2013-2020
Date: July 9, 2020
Re: Report –January 9, 2020 through July 9, 2020

Updates:

- Nothing new to report

Historian Budget remains at \$500. Madam President, please advise if this has changed.

Expenses:

No expenses submitted. All cost of expenses of Historian donated by Janet Tomlinson through July 9, 2020.

Total Expense reimbursements received: \$0.00

Pedigree Chair Report for August 2020

To: STCA Board Members

From: Janet Tomlinson, Pedigree Chair 2015-2020

Date: July 9, 2020

Re: Report –January 9, 2020 through July 9, 2020

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- **156,200** + pedigrees in the database
 - Database is now at STCA.biz
 - Direct contact with CHIC site, call names now present at site, and more.
 - Working on systems – ongoing process

Dear STCA Board,

I have nothing new to report regarding the Legislative position. Because of the covid virus things have slowed way down with new proposals. I am monitoring the emails and responding accordingly. I have no expenses to report. This report covers March-through today, July 10,2020.

Hoping this will be behind us soon.

Beth Cloven Hernandez

Legislative Chairperson

Breeder Referral, August 2020

Tambre Knox

The last few months have been relatively quiet. There have been litters listed and placed on the website. I've had a few inquiries into puppies, and I referred them to the list of breeders in the areas they were looking. Puppies listed on our website have all found homes. Because of the pandemic, more people were looking in their specific areas. It is so very helpful for regions to have a regional breeder referral point person. There are so few puppies that breeders are having waiting lists before they even start a litter, and I sense a frustration in the buyers seeking a pup. Many breeders are reluctant to list their litters on our website for security reasons. So if people could have another way to be guided into establishing a dialogue with breeders in their specific areas that would help them have success. Most of the people looking are long time scotty owners, and sound like loving homes.

Often the people looking are also on various facebook groups looking for breeders. This has its pros and cons. I am seeing quite a bit of conflict and argument on those sites toward each other and opinions that don't always represent STCA. But people are looking for help in searching, and the sites are convenient. I think we should ask all the regional clubs to appoint a breeder referral point person, that I can coordinate with them, and refer candidates to them for best local information. This would provide an alternative to going on facebook. In addition the name/emails for each region could be put on the website and they could help buyers hook up with breeders in early stages.

I hope everyone is staying safe and well during these challenging times. Best wishes to all...

Tambre Knox

Scottish Terrier Club of America

President's Report

Lori Kelly

August 2020

It has been a privilege to serve another term. With this board's work, we continued the strategic plan's goals (as approved in 2018): improving communications, updating the website, and the last item dedicated to preserving the breed, its heritage, and its future. The HTF report reflects the latest information and board review.

2020 proves to be a significant challenge for the club's activities and revenue due to circumstances beyond our control. A global pandemic has affected all aspects of the fancy and our club. In-person gatherings were nearly all canceled from March 2020 through October/November, including what was to be a successful rotating weekend, hosted by STC of Greater Dayton. Their club members were ready. We appreciate the STC Greater Dayton's efforts and share their disappointment. It's been a rough couple of months for all. Currently, STC of the Piedmont (Nov) and STC of Tampa Bay (Dec) specialty shows are proceeding as scheduled. At the end of the day (and end of 2020) – we are resilient, and we are Scottie Strong! (our theme for this year).

Montgomery week is typically the focus at this point of the year. This also was not to be. I remain optimistic that we will return to Blue Bell, PA next October. Thank you to Charley Cornman, April & Dan Green, Kathleen Ferris, Theresa Kay Thomas, Cliff Schultz, Pat Wooster, Debi Russell – we'll be back next year.

During this reporting period, my activity includes routine daily administrative work, taking calls from and contacting STCA members and various committee chairs, re-evaluating committees, contacting vendors, organizing 120th-anniversary details, reviewing hotel contracts, and communicating with AKC.

I am grateful for our committee chairs and each volunteer who contributes talents and time.

Other activity:

- Worked with Kathi Brown & Marianne Melucci on Judges' ed/AKC webinar for 5/8.
- Currently coordinating with Cliff Schultz on engraving of all trophies with a local engraver in Wayne, PA.
- Coordinated design effort with Marianne Melucci and Melanie Feldges to create items for our 120th celebration year. Coordinated vendors and currently working on order fulfillment.
- Prior to decisions made by MCKC, Hatboro, Morris & Essex, I conducted survey via Mail Chimp to determine potential member attendance for Montgomery week should the events have proceeded. The survey was sent to a select group of attendees from the past 3 years. A total of 264 surveys were sent via email. 172 opened/responded. 92 didn't open even after a reminder was sent. Two questions: #1 – Are you likely to attend? 62.43% responded that they were unlikely to attend. #2 – Are you willing to serve on an event committee? 25 of 165 who answered this question responded, "yes." 84.85% responded that they would not serve on a committee. Thank you to the members who were willing to step up. In the end, the decision was clear that the shows were not going to go on. Thank you to those who sent private emails indicating willingness to help out.

- Planning for a virtual celebration in lieu of our traditional Montgomery week festivities. Special thanks goes out to Theresa Kay Thomas for organizing awards, communication with sponsors and award winners and making sure our booklet gets mailed in advance of our Zoom gathering on Oct. 3. Thanks also goes out to Mary Helen Rice, Helen Prince, Pam Williams, and Mark LaBonte for proofreading.
- Events with 2021 planning – then canceled. Communication with Roberts Centre director of sales. Worked through refunds with Steve Russell.
- Focus on 120th Anniversary merchandise, shop page design to generate revenue for the club in the absence of regularly placed Bagpiper advertising.
- Preliminary look at Rotating 2023.
- Mail Chimp – coordination and publishing of all club emails, HTF and Bagpiper
- Monitor AKC Marketplace (puppies). Identified and cleared out AKC marketplace of those who falsely claim to be affiliated with the STCA. This is ongoing.
- Communication/Email: MailChimp is used as our platform for delivering emails to STCA members. We are averaging 1-2 mailings per month. Most recently, emails focused on the STCA's HTF Scottie Guardian, Bagpiper promotional info, Montgomery week announcements, and WrapUp. We presently have 760 "subscribers". Subscribers represent individual member emails, including second emails for family households. Reports are readily available for editor to view 24/7 activity and click through to links within each email. New members will be added. Thank you all for reading our emails.
- Bagpiper – Pam has been asking for additional staffing. I have assembled a suggested team for Pam. I have reached to the following who agreed to help: Fran Sanden (Assoc. editor/content assembly), Charlie Gann (mktg), Kim Tracey (advtg). Continue with Melanie Feldges (graphic design), Pam as Editor in Chief. I have offered to work on Stud Dog ads for issue #1 '21.

Action required for club operations and activities:

- 1) Scottie Health:
 - HTF Recommendations
 - DNA bank – approval and next steps. This is vitally important to breed preservation and future health testing.
 - Establish database.
- 2) STCA membership renewal – gear up for 2021 renewals. Update forms with Treasurer
- 3) Operating budget – looking at areas for growth. In light of pandemic and cancellations, we need to evaluate financial commitments to venues and review all cancellation policies for future contracts.
- 4) Review of committees and appoint new chairs where needed.
- 5) Committee relevance – One on One breed mentoring. We will restructure effort for effectiveness.
- 6) Website – Historian's pages, update regional club pages, rotating 2021, awards – continue buildout and finish 1st quarter '21.
- 7) Membership – Follow through on K.Edell's renewal recommendations. Addressed concerns of several, including Donna Winslow, on length of time of application process. The Board did approve for starters, to create an on-line, editable pdf for application. This needs to be completed and added to the website.
- 8) Talent tracker – update. Re-evaluate effectiveness.
- 9) New Member opportunities – we must engage new members. Committee chairs will be forwarded, which we have done in the past, names of new members and areas of their interest. This effort is vital to succession and engagement.
- 10) Communications – do our best to keep membership engaged as we navigate changes in activities and keeping members connected.
- 11) Review SOPs – Awards, membership, host club/rotating, vice president SOPs.
- 12) Constitution & Bylaws – communication options, membership. This may be the time to look at membership dues, which haven't been addressed in quite some time.

13) Bagpiper – Editor Pam Williams continues to single-handedly manage a beautiful and informative publication with graphic designer Melanie Feldges. I am proud of Pam’s work. She is passionate about publishing a quarterly magazine as it also serves as a historical, pictorial piece for the club. Steve’s report illustrates the losses we experienced this year. The Ceilidh (pronounced kay-lee) section was launched by Pam along with the 120th anniversary ¼ page ads for issue #4. More immediately:

- identify new opportunities to offset losses during 2020 due to drop in advertising, even with discount incentives.
- develop marketing strategies to attract advertising, not just for conformation wins, but from our companion members who compete in all other activities.
- complete a build-out of a Bagpiper team, which I feel will help Pam, but also bring new ideas.

We need a plan in place for issue #1, 2021. At the board level, I offered up options for consideration – not in any order of priority: reduce number of nonrevenue generating pages without sacrificing quality of content or design; consider cutting back to 3 issues in 2021(?), increasing membership dues (not raised since 1993), OR continue with discounts? Further discussion is required.

Addendum to report to follow during next meetings. In the absence of our in-person meetings, the board will hold several zoom and teleconference meetings to review all committee reports, finalize and approve an operating budget, and move forward into the new year.

February 15, 2020

To: STCA Board of Directors

From: Kelli Edell, STCA Membership Committee Chair

Re: Membership Committee Report

Executive Summary:

We have added 24 members so far in 2020 (20 new members; 2 were reinstated and 2 junior members). We have 6 more that will be voted on in September and will publish 11 more in Bagpiper Issue #3.

New Members in 2020:

STCA New Members 2020 #1

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Sponsors: Karen & Corder Campbell & Bonnie & Steve Dalbey

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Sponsors: Rod Ott & Barbara Gibson

Annel Henderson

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Sponsors: Sherrie Creekmore & Charlie Gann

Scottish Terrier Club of America

Website Committee Report

Lori Kelly

August 2020 (updated September 24, 2020)

Committee Members:

Lori Kelly, Bob Gann, Marianne Melucci, Glenda Tucker, Jack Shacklett, Janet Tomlison, Steve Russell, Michael Krolewski. Thank you one and all!

We've had activity with content changes for Rotating and most recently, HTF content, Montgomery week, and the online shop. Now is the time to get into high gear with membership renewals on the horizon and year-end award information.

Latest burst of activity revolves around 120th Anniversary merchandise and shop page redesign. Focus was for better organization of all items and consolidation of Bagpiper items and improved customer interaction. All work was completed by August 15, and new products launched. Traffic has been steady for purchases.

Update to AVADA template, Woo Commerce files, plug-ins completed week of Sept. 21. List of customization items was provided by DC Web Design. Minor "fixing" needed for newsletter module, shop cart, member log in were among customized items requiring attention after updates.

Action items as of 9/24/2020 (committee member name next to item):

- First priority - **Activate membership dues renewal forms** for 2021 week of 9/28. Steve Russell to update all applicable forms. Coordinate updates with Marianne Melucci.
- Completion of **website updates** and plug-ins to keep site up to date and secured.
- Include an editable **PDF for membership applications to expedite process**. To be completed.
- Licensing – being reviewed by Bob Gann. Bob is asking for additional info.
- **Updated contacts for inquiries coming into website** –Need to confirm all contacts for admin (i.e. Bagpiper subscriptions, breeder referral, general judging & show inquiries, health, shop, technical support). List sent to Bob 9/24. Update needed for Mentoring. Assigning email contacts for inquiries will reduce emails going to admin and expedite responses.
- Update all **specialty information** for 2021 (Glenda Tucker) and **Latest News**.
- **Regional Clubs** – updates require attention. Incoming chair and Lori Kelly will communicate with regional club corresponding secretaries. Glenda suggested adding a disclaimer to regional club page about keeping contact information updated. It is the responsibility of the regional clubs to notify the web team for updates/changes. Glenda has wording for a disclaimer and can edit page. Need to fix boxes for California & Texas contact info accessed via map.
- Continue work on **historian timeline** (Marianne Melucci to work with Janet Tomlinson)
- Prepare **2021 rotating pages**, update graphics (Marianne Melucci). Artwork/theme needed from STC Chicago. VP Kathy Ferris to coordinate with club

- **Show Results** –results for STC of the Piedmont (Nov) and STC of Tampa Bay (Dec) to be posted upon completion of their shows. (Jack Shacklett)
- **One on One Breed Mentoring** – need to rework page/committee October 2020. More info to come.
- **HTF/DNA information** – (Bob Gann coordinating with Marcia)
- **Awards** – continue to manage (Bob Gann). Michael Krolewski managing tally information.
- **Puppy/Litter Listings** – communicate with members of this service. Lori Kelly updated listing as of 9/24.
- **Breeder Referral Page** – Tambre Knox to contact all breeders listed and get any updates. Need to communicate with member breeders that the club has a resource for posting litters.
- **Pedigree database** – review opportunity for inclusion of photos. It may be time to revisit the Release forms required to post. Discussion required.

Other items: Questions have come up about the CA Risk Calculator. Marcia has been fielding those emails.

Committee meetings – recommended quarterly unless otherwise needed. Committee members to be contacted.

We presently have 802 users, these include administrators, authors, members. New members to be added

Thank you for the opportunity to serve on this committee. It's truly a labor of love.

Corresponding Secretary Report - Annual Meeting - October, 2020

Date Rec'd or Sent Correspondence

2/19/2020 email - AKC National Owner-Handled Series Events
2/21/2020 email - Call all clans! By Lori Kelly
2/22/2020 email - Minnie Dabney - wanting membership information forward to Kellie Edell
2/21/2020 email - AKC Board of Directors Election
2/23/2020 letters - new members letter sent 2/23
2/23/2020 email - Karen McLaughlin WSSTC President - new officers - sent Christine Obrien and & Lori Kelly
2/24/2020 email - from Lori Kelly sent Vandra Huber the link to STCA members nominating form
2/24/2020 email - Judges Education Newsletter form Kathy
2/25/2020 email - AKC Companion Operations
2/25/2020 email- AKC Companion Events
2/25/2020 email-AKC Education Webinar
2/26/2020 email-AKC February Board Meeting
2/26/2020 email - AKC Events Operations
2/28/2020 email - STC of Greater Houston - change in Corresponding Secretaries - sent to Christine Obrien and Lori Kelly
2/28/2020 email - from Marion Krupp - Nomination for STCA Judges
2/29/2020 email - Pat Turner wanted info. On puppies available sent to Barb Zink
3/2/2020 email - sent Illustrated Guide to Leslie Sprange by order received from Lori Kelly 3/3
3/3/2020 email - from Embark's breeder services team - sent to Lori Kelly
3/3/2020 email - Teresa Smith wanted vendor space for the Rotating - sent to Lori
3/5/1930 email - AKC Events Operations - forward to Pam Williams, Kathleen Ferris and Lori Kelly
3/5/2020 email - from Peter Piusz
3/6/2020 email - AKC Events Operations - notifying the event for 8/15/20 had been cancelled
3/6/2020 email - to Margaret O'Brien
3/6/2020 email - to Gail Fisher
3/6/2020 email - Richard Bumstead
3/6/2020 email - Seon Farris
3/7/2020 email - Donna Wagner STCGL - BBE Medallions sent 3/10
3/8/2020 email - from Cheryl Shultz - Status of Parent Club Health Statements
3/9/2020 email - Info to send toe BBE Medallions to Annette Hogg - STC of Greater Baltimore
3/10/2020 email - from Liz Timmer - STC Houston - send the BBE Medallions 3/10
3/10/2020 email-AKC - Need an ACT Evaluator?
3/10/2020 email - from Jill Mashburn
3/10/2020 email - AKC/DJAA Advanced Judges Institute - Kathy Ferris responded to the email
3/10/2020 email - from Vandra Huber
3/11/2020 letter - new members letters sent
3/11/2020 email-AKC Events
3/11/2020 email-AKC Closeout Notice
3/12/2020 email - from Kathleen Ferris to Alay Slay advising of the Rotating Cancellation
3/12/2020 email - to all members the Rotating was cancelled to due COVID
3/12/2020 email - AKC Closeout Notice
3/12/2020 email- to Toni Hutto updating the Scottish Terrier AKC Flyer
3/13/2020 email - from Marilyn Cathcard thanking STCA for the Rotating Cancellation Information
3/13/2020 email - from Jim Benson asking for info on the Rotating refunds
3/16/2020 email-AKCCompanion Events
3/17/2020 email-AKC Crufts Qualifying Certificates 2021-2022
3/17/2020 email - AKC - There's Still Time to Promote Your Parent Club
3/17/2020 email - - Kathy McAra - order and sent 10 Illustrated Standards
3/20/2020 email-AKC Companion Events
3/26/2020 email - Lisa Kinch
3/30/2020 email - ordering an Illustrated Standard sent 4/1/20
3/31/2020 email - Sheydanis Diaz Martine ordered an Illustrated Standard sent 4/3/10

3/31/2020 email - Frankie Jones ordered and sent
4/3/2010 Letter- to the Nominating Committee
4/6/2020 email - Miki S. Sano wanted a new handbook advised they would not on sale till 5/1 sent note to Helen Prince
4/7/2020 email - April Wrapup
email - from Faenell Bailey advising new officers for 2020 - Greater Houston- forward to Lori Kelly & Christine
4/8/2020 Obrien
4/8/2020 email - AKC Companion Operations
4/9/2020 email - AKC Events Operations
4/9/2020 email - AKC Performance Events
4/9/2020 email-AKC Scent Work
4/11/2020 email - from Lori Kelly - Special Announcement - STCA Bagpiper News
4/20/2020 email-AKC 1st Quarter 2020 Donor Advised Fund Statement
4/24/2020 email-AKC COVID Participating in Dog Sports
4/29/2020 email-AKC Companion Events
5/1/2020 email- from Lori Kelly - News for you from STCA Health Trust
5/1/1950 email - Pat Speas asking about the Agility Dog Hall of Fame Title - sent to Linda
5/4/2020 email - from William Berry
5/4/2020 email - Natalie Hollinger ordering an Illustrated Standard and sent
5/6/2020 email- update COVID-19 Response
5/11/2020 email-Arial Harper ordering an Illustrated Guide and sent
5/13/2020 email-AKC Club Development-Conformation, Dog Sports
5/20/2020 email - Kathy Ferris emailing Events Operations about STCA holding our Sweepstakes at Sheration in October
5/19/2020 email-AKC Events Operation
5/19/2020 email-AKC Events Operation
5/21/2020 email - AKC Education Webinar
5/27/2020 email-from Regina Hess concerning their Specialty cancelling their Specialty 2020
5/27/2020 email - Joe Trentmann wanting an Illustrated Guide and was sent
5/29/2029 email - from Charlie Gann cancelling their Specialty for 2020
5/30/2020 email-AKC Noteworthy News
6/1/2020 email-AKC Shop
6/3/2020 email-AKC Update
6/5/2020 email - AKC - Your help is requested
6/6/2020 email-AKC Approval Notice
6/9/2020 email Meet the Breeds Cancellation
6/9/2020 email - AKC Don't Miss your Chance to win Topd Challenge
6/9/2020 email - AKC Sweepstakes Approval Notice
6/11/2020 email - AKC Virtual Top Dog Challenge Winners
6/11/2020 email - from Lori - STCA National/Montgomery Week 2020 Info 6/12/20
6/15/2020 email - from Lois Miller needing STCA decal. They were sent
6/17/2020 email - from Lori Kelly - Special Announcement - Montgomery Week 2020 Update
6/17/2020 email - from Kathy Ferris to Robbi Garvin advising the STCA National will be cancelled for 2020
6/19/2020 email-AKC Education Webinar
6/22/2020 email - from Lori Kelly - STCA's Bagpiper Magazine brings you a Scottish Ceilidh!
6/23/2020 email - AKC Obedience & Rally
6/23/2020 email-from Morris & Essex KC cancelling their show in 2020
6/25/2020 email - Lisa Kinch - asking info about changing their show dates
6/29/2020 email - from Jill Mashburn concerning STCGA & STCPiedmont intent to hold the 2023 National Rotating
6/29/2020 email - from Leslie Kelly - new officers for 2020-21
6/29/2020 email-AKC Noteworthy News
6/30/2020 letter-AKC Pac
7/2/2020 email - AKC update
7/5/2020 email - from Kathy Ferris attaching a letter from AK cancelling STCA Sweepstakes in October
7/6/2020 email - AKC Development
7/6/2020 email-Janet Tomlinson-Board Reports
7/6/2020 email - from William Berry concerning information in the Board Minutes
7/7/2020 email - AKC The Learning Cluster
7/9/2020 email - AKC Agility

7/14/2020 email - AKC Event Pending Notice for 6/19/21
 7/16/2020 email - AKC Companion Events
 7/16/2020 email - from Lori Kelly - STCA's Bagpiper: Important News about Issue #3
 7/20/2020 email - AKC CHF 2nd Quarter 2020 Donor Advised Fund Statement
 7/22/2020 email - AKC Companion Events
 7/23/2020 email - from Marcia Dawson concerning the Slate of Officers
 7/24/2020 email - AKC Events Operations
 7/25/2020 email - AKC Shop
 8/1/2020 email- from Lori Kelly - News for you from STCA Health Trust
 8/3/2020 email - Are you and your pup ready to win big?
 8/3/2029 letters - new members letter sent 8/3
 8/5/2020 email - AKC Companion Operations - Agility Event App/Judge Panel Recvd. 3.5, 3.6,2021
 8/6/2020 email - 2020 AKC Parent Club Medallion Sponsorship Information
 8/6/2020 email - AKC approved for shows 3/5 and 3/6/ 2021
 8/7/2020 email- AKC Account Update: 2-Factor Authentication
 8/9/2020 email - AKC Don't mMiss Your Last Chance to win Big
 8/12/2020 email - WSSTC asking to change their Specialty Date - Lori will give them a call
 8/14/2020 email- Roxanne Huckstep asking for a Roster which I sent
 8/15/2020 email - AKC Shop
 8/21/2020 email - An update on 2-factor authentication
 8/24/2020 email - from Lori Kelly - STCA's Bagpiper Magazine brings you a Scottish Ceilidh!
 8/25/2020 email-Lori Kelly - The ball's in your court - Let's celebrate 120 years
 8/26/2020 email - AKC Disaster Assistance From AKC Reunite
 8/31/2020 email - AKC Noteworthy News
 9/1/2020 email - AKC to submit updated Officers will do in October
 9/3/2020 email - AKK Marketplace Survey
 9/4/2020 email-AKC Update
 9/6/2020 email - Robert Manieri order an Illustrated Guide and was sent
 9/7/2020 email - Corey Brydon ordered a Illustrate Guide and it was sent 9/28
 9/20/2020 email - AKC Shop
 9/26/2020 email - Jacqueline Fera order an Illustrated Guide and was sent 9/28

Total Expenses \$242.11 Stamps, new member packets, mailing BBE medallions

Expenses: 411.01 for supplies and mailing 4/29/19
 116.99 for Certify letter, mailing BBE medallions, Paper, roll of stamps
 528.00 Total

Sent: 7 New Members Packets

AKC DELEGATE'S ANNUAL REPORT October 2020 Helen A. Prince

During the past year, October 2019- September 2020, I have attended all four (4) quarterly AKC Delegates' Meetings. The December 2019 meeting was held, in person as usual, in Orlando, FL, in conjunction with the AKC National Championship Show. I reported about that meeting in Bagpiper #1, 2020.

The March 2020, meeting was held in person at the Doubletree Hotel in Newark, NJ. Since that time was at the beginning of the virus concerns, there were many Delegates who were unable to either get a flight into NJ or else felt that they were vulnerable due to health concerns and did not come. I reported about that meeting in Bagpiper #2, 2020.

The third meeting was scheduled for June, 2020, in NJ at the Doubletree Hotel. Due to the shutdown in NJ, that in-person meeting was cancelled and the AKC tried a new venture, a Zoom meeting for all Delegates, and Zoom meetings for the Delegate Stranding Committees. For the Committee meetings, the committee members' faces were visible but the other Delegates were just listening, without the ability to ask questions or make comments. For the Parent Club Committee meeting, all 10 members were there and we had about 135 other "attendees." The Regular Delegates Meeting had only the CEO, Chief Financial Officer, the Chair and Vice-Chair of the AKC Board visible. There were 311 Delegate "attendees." There was no way to vote on anything so the AKC Board decided to wait until September for us to vote on the various changes in By-laws, Dog Show Rules, etc., as we all assumed that things would be back to normal by September. There were a lot of technical difficulties during this meeting which were shared with IT in the weeks following!

The fourth and last meeting this year was in September, 2020, via Zoom, and it was obvious early on that there would not be a place to hold a meeting in person. The AKC Communications Department organized a way to vote by using Survey Monkey. Not only did we have to vote on twelve (12) of the items that were READ at the last meeting or should have been voted on in June, but it was also the meeting where members of the Standing Committees whose terms were expiring had to run for re-election along with others who wanted to run for that same position. My term had expired and I was running for re-election. Fortunately, I won the election and am committed for another three (3) years on the Parent Club Committee.

I was very impressed with the way the elections and the voting were handled. For the Committee positions, paperwork was emailed to each Delegate with copies of the biographies that each candidate had submitted to the Executive Secretary. Two weeks before the meeting on September 15th, each Delegate received an invitation to a practice session for voting with Survey Monkey, which covered voting for both the committee positions and the various VOTES at the General Meeting. Two hours before the General Meeting on the 15th, Survey Monkey invited you to log and vote for the Committee Members and the polls remained open for 3 ½ hours. You checked the box

beside the name you chose. For the VOTES, after each item was read by the Executive Secretary, a small box would drop down where you would check YES or NO, then SUBMIT, and the box would leave your screen. Within a few minutes the results be read by Dennis Sprung.

At this meeting you were also able to ask questions or make comments, by clicking the “raised hand” icon on your screen to be recognized. The IT person working would then call upon each person in turn to be un-muted and talk. It was done very orderly and smoothly. Hats off to the Communications Department of AKC! Of course there are always some people who have problems!

I would like to share several items that happened at the September Meeting:

1. **Parent Club Committee:**

- There are now Judges Education webinars weekly and attendance will qualify toward your judges license. Each Parent Club is invited to present a webinar and if we have not done one yet, we should think seriously about doing it.
- Mari-Beth O’Neill is working with the AKC Standing Committees to develop a Best Practices for Juniors, designed to help recruit, engage, and retain Juniors and young adults, and they are working on a video demonstrating Juniors at work. Each Parent Club is asked to share with Mari-Beth what their club does for Juniors. Her email is mbo@akc.org
- AKC is working on a Service Dog Standard to develop specific rules and regulations for getting a Service Dog certificate.
- The Breeders Education Committee reported on its work since being established in March 2020. Alan Kalter and I developed a guidelines for setting up a
- One-on-One mentoring program for people who need help or advice with breeding, whelping, and raising puppies and it was accepted by the committee. It will be sent to the AKC Board. The committee will also be interviewing older breeders, some who may be retired, and these will be available on a webinar or video.
- A new committee, chaired by me, will look at some suggestions for by-laws changes for Parent Clubs to allow for virtual Annual Meetings in times of national emergencies or pandemics.

2. **Forum:** During the hour before each Delegates’ General Meeting, a speaker presents a lecture on a timely topic. This meeting was no exception. Dr. Anita Oberbrauer, College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences, University of California-Davis, spoke on “Review of the Current State of Genetic Testing- A Living Resource.” Her explanation of genetics research and her illustrations were fantastic. A complete presentation, as well as her papers on this subject, are available at the CHF website and I strongly urged you all to view it.

3. **General Meeting:** As I had mentioned earlier, there were 12 items for Voting. The most important ones that affect us or would affect us are:

- *Chapter 2, Section 10, Dog Show Rules*, which refers to Sweepstakes, and generalizes the language so that any club holding sweepstakes or futurities can make changes, modifications, or have their own rules. (They must communicate their rules to their show superintendent.)
- *Chapter 3, Section 8-A, Dog Show Rules*, which would have created a new class, Bred-by-Exhibitor Puppy. **This vote FAILED.** There is talk that it might be brought up again in a new format.
- *Chapter 11, Section 9, Dog Show Rules*, which eliminates the list of specific communicable diseases that affect a dog's eligibility and makes the language generalized so it could include any new communicable diseases or older diseases not listed.
- *Chapter 11, Section 8-A, Dog Show Rules*, which removes the requirement of an injury to have occurred for an Event Committee to disqualify a dog that attacked a person or dog at its event.
- *...attacks a person or dog at an AKC event or is believed by the Event Committee to present a hazard to persons or other dogs, shall be disqualified....*
The underlined words above were added. There was concern by many Delegates that sometimes a dog's growling (like our sparring) could be misinterpreted as dangerous and not normal behavior for that breed. **This Vote FAILED. A vote to have this amendment reconsidered also failed**

Annual STCA Tally Committee Report

15 August 2020

Overall:

With the reduction in the shows due to COVID19, the reporting processing has slowed since the end of the first quarter. There are some shows happening again. The AKC is still sending data monthly, although slower/later in the month.

Accomplishments for 2020 Year

Electronic Reports:

The electronic report generation continues to function well. The AKC is generating the reports a little slower these days.

Since the data is compiled on my desktop, the document generation for the Bagpiper have continued in spite of issues with the website.

STCA Website and Annual Awards information

Transition to WP site is still having some issues. Dues to the limitations of Bob Gann's internet and COVID19, the transfer is still taking time. Given that there has been only one exchange/update to the website, it is not clear that all the issues are cleared up.

SOP Document

Working on completing the SOP. It is very large as it covers the details. However, the changes due to the transition to WP, that part of the document is still unwritten.

Financials:

The AKC continues to charge for the different awards.

Titles are a free service to the STCA.

Monthly conformation and Juniors cost \$420 annually.

The quarterly performance titles cost \$280.

There are no other expenses for performing the Tally's. Internal operating costs are bore by the workers. These costs are minimal.

The only other cost is storage of the data and reports. Again, provided at no cost in the form of a Google Account Drive space.

AKC reports for 2020 have been purchased.

Bag Piper Publication:

The Bagpiper data has been altered to be published within the same quarter as it is received.

The Bagpiper data is published quarterly on the below schedule. Given the transmission of information from AKC, the last month's data is arriving to the Tally team on or after the submission deadline. This mean that the quarterly reports continue to get little review.

There have been mistakes – which were eventually noticed and corrected.

Bagpiper Issue	Published Submission Deadline	Current Submissions
Issue #3	July 15	April-May-Jun
Issue #4	October 15	Jul-Aug-Sept
Issue #1	January 15	Oct-Nov-Dec
Issue #2	April 15	Jan-Feb-Mar

Annual Awards:

As with last year, a summary of points was sent out to the top 3 placements in each award to help validate any issues. The people did respond with corrections which were implemented.

The electronic generation of the report has made generating the report much easier. There is still a bit of manual intervention to make everything work.

Future Plans

Major issue is the conversion to the new website. Still not finalized how the awards will be set up or transferred to the new website.

Membership for 2020

- Michael Krolewski(chair, programmer, administrator, operator for reports)
- Sue Stacey

All of the awards are not being reviewed by anyone else. Actually, this is only a small loss of workers as most of the awards were not being inspected by others.

Concerns:

Basically, the concerns are the same as the last several reports. Not a lot of support and dependency on a single person.

1. As stated above, the performance awards are still very manual. It would be nice to make it database driven to remove issues of missing dogs/results. Along with the above is the fact that few members understand the performance awards. This makes the entire process difficult.
2. The active working membership has stopped besides Sue. I am not aware of anyone that desires to fill these slots.
3. It would be useful to have at least one other person that understands the automated processing. This would require:
 - Computer to run perl and some sort of interactive development environment (IDE) like Eclipse
 - Some knowledge of mySQL and phpAdmin
 - Working knowledge of PHP to collect data to generate the reports
 - Working knowledge of how the data is displayed on the new WP website
 - Programming knowledge
 - i. To understand what has been developed
 - ii. to modify the code as needed
 - Available time for running these reports in the time windows required.

Report of the STCA Mentoring Program

Through Augustst 2020

As of August 1st, we have been contacted by 3 individuals who either had questions, a specific issue or were looking for a mentor. I contacted each person, and their issues and questions were addressed.

I provided names of possible mentors where available and names of local STCA members who could possibly answer their questions and assist them in learning Grooming and getting started in Conformation and Agility.

No new Mentors since my last report. We have 12 STCA Members signed on to serve as Mentors. We definitely need to get more MENTORS on board so we do not burn out the handful that we have now.

Things have been rather quiet, with the COVID 19 outbreak, I understand it may be reluctance to meet up with a stranger for hands on learning session.

Again, I thank you for allowing me to serve in this program, and thanks to the STCA members who generously agreed to serve as mentors.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Susan Finn

STCA Mentoring Program Coordinator

Seeking A Mentor

Name	Address	City	State	Zip	email	Phon
Berlinger, Summer	11837 Bragno Ct	Las Vegas	NV	89138	alongcomesummer@gmail.com	702-56474
	Request/action taken	Interested in Grooming and Conformation (has a Scottie)				
	UPDATE:	Awaiting response from Francie Lafortune to see if she'd help her.				
Dabney, Minnie Dr		Glendale	AZ		mdabney1@icloud.com	
	Request/action taken	Interested in Grooming and Conformation (has a Scottie)				
	UPDATE:	Referred to Dr Hossfield- who offered to meet at a dog show to help her.				

Ambrogio, Kaitlin	141 Bellevue Rd	Watertown	MA	2472	KaitlinAmbrogio@gmail.com	817-7 9524
	Request/action taken	Interested to learn about breeding and conformation				
	UPDATE:	Referred to Marianne Melucci (Kaitlin knows her)				

STCA Board Report from the Rescue Trust

The RTF has processed all application requests for financial assistance in accordance with the Trust Document rules and purpose this last fiscal year. There are currently no outstanding financial requests.

We have no current expenditures we are asking the board to approve at this time, thanks!

RTF Treasurer Reports: Current balance is \$142,745.84

Interim RTF Treasurer's Report – July 1, 2020 – August 10, 2020

Second Quarter Ending Balance as of June 30, 2020		\$108,096.77
Plus Deposits:		\$36,158.67
Donations received via STCA	\$223.74	
\$97.50 deposited 7/15/2020		
\$126.24 deposited 8/10/2020		
Checks received direct by RTF	\$35,934.93	
\$35,934.93 deposited 7/31/2020		
Less Expenses:		(\$1,509.60)
Check Number 1049 payable to Mid Atlantic Scottish Terrier Education and Rescue – Grant for Pete – Assistance with costly diagnostics for a blockage in a ureter which was causing serious inflammation and pain.	(\$1,500.00)	
Check Number 1053 payable to Scottish Terrier Club of Greater New York Rescue auction – Reimburse \$9.60 PayPal donation directed to the RTF in error.	(\$9.60)	
Ending Balance:		\$142,745.84
Bank of America account balance	\$142,541.05	
PayPal account balance	<u>\$204.79</u>	
	\$142,745.84	

Respectfully Submitted,

Linda L. Hill, RTF Treasurer

We would like to ask the board to review two proposals for the Rescue Trust.

The first one has to do with abbreviating the RTF Application for Financial Assistance. I'm not sure where the current form originated, but it's an unnecessarily long form about which we receive a lot of complaints. There are several empty pages which applicants mistake for the application being completed, repetitious questions and information that is presently irrelevant to what we need to know to make our decisions on grants. I am attaching a copy of the form I'm proposing for your review. There is nothing we feel is important missing, would be easier for applicants to complete, and for us to review and store. If you approve this form for use, we will start using it going forward.

The second proposal is a request that we raise the amount the RTF committee can approve without going to the board for that extra. A little background that I hope will be helpful – the RTF became a distinct 501c3 status (tax exempt) public charitable organization in 2008. During the 12 years since that time, veterinary costs have increased significantly. Even though rescue groups have arrangements with vets for a courtesy discount, surgeries, hospitalization, emergency care and diagnostics runs into the thousands of dollars. We are typically getting these requests only because of the significant costs involved in a particular rescue. The goal of the RTF was to assist with excessive bills and to prevent the individual rescue funds from being depleted, so they could continue to help more dogs and rely on our fund less. The limit that the RTF can award, at our discretion and with proper documentation, is up to \$1500 per request. Anything over that, we can choose to go to the board to approve more. That \$1500 doesn't go that far these days. Back in 2008, the balance in the RTF was never more than \$10-15,000.00, so it made sense not to spend too much on one request and wipe out the fund. Now, with our current balance at almost \$143,000.00, we feel it makes sense to be able to offer a more realistically helpful grant. We'd like to increase it from \$1500 to \$2000 per request, or even a bit higher, at the board's discretion. This doesn't mean that every applicant will receive the maximum amount, it only means that we can offer a little more help on the larger requests. Often, the attached medical bills being submitted for reimbursement, are in the \$3000-\$6000 range, and these are for reasonable surgeries for dogs who would be able to recover and lead happy lives, for things like broken bones, bladder stones, severe dental disease. We don't want to have to burden the STCA board with having to call an emergency meeting to review medical records for a dog, when you have already appointed us to take care of these decisions.

Thank you for your time to consider these RTF operating requests and we look forward to your thoughts and direction.

Notes from the last two meetings of the RTF

Meeting of the STCA Rescue Trust was called on 5/20/2020 to review an application for financial request.

Attendees : Jeanne Lishia, Linda Hill, Erica Cerny, Leslie Condoleo, Charla Hill

Brief summary of this dog:

9 year old Finn came into STRSE with his brother Toby, an 11 year old westie as owner turnins. They had been with that one owner their whole lives until his illness.

Finn had some major dental and gum issues, 8 teeth were extracted during his dental, as well as some gum reconstruction to correct these issues. He was examined, vaccinated, microchipped, tested for suspected Cushings, treated for an ear infection, tapeworms, and one dry eye. He was sent home with antibiotics and cyclosporine drops and will need a general followup. The total is \$1273.23 and Lisa is requesting the entire amount because she's had quite a few dogs in lately draining their account. Finn is doing very well since his dental and getting cleaned up and treated. (note – since then, the two were adopted together).

The RTF trustees reviewed and discussed the request and voted unanimously for the request at 8:01 PM on 5/21/20.



Meeting of the STCA Rescue Trust was called on 5/3/2020 to review an application for financial request.

Attendees : Jeanne Lishia, Linda Hill, Erica Cerny, Leslie Condoleo, Charla Hill

Mid Atlantic Scottish Terrier Education and Rescue Inc.

Summary: The dog is Pete, a 7 year old Scottish Terrier who has a blockage in a ureter that the vet is trying to determine what it is. Diagnostic testing is very expensive for these types of tests, so Jeanne is asking for some assistance of \$1500, towards his vet bills, since it's so high. Time is of the essence, the blockage is causing serious inflammation and pain. Estimate and picture are attached. (note – Pete has had several procedures and is doing remarkably well since).

The RTF trustees reviewed and discussed the request and voted unanimously for the request at 10:08 AM on 5/5/20. Jeanne Lishia recused herself from the vote.

This committee report Respectfully Submitted by Erica Cerny, RTF Chairperson, on August 14, 2020

SCOTTISH TERRIER CLUB OF AMERICA

RESCUE TRUST FUND

APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

General Guidelines for Eligibility:

The STCA RTF will provide financial assistance in whole or in part towards medical expenses for Scottish Terriers and predominant Scottish Terrier mix rescues 1) for whom there is no other financial alternative, 2) where there are insufficient finances to provide the necessary care, or 3) where high expenses causing depletion of their rescue funds could limit their ability to help other rescues that may also need their care.

Applicants must complete the application form and email or fax to the STCA RTF Chairperson. A designated member of the STCA RTF COMMITTEE will respond back upon receiving your application within 2 days, and will make every effort to make a determination within a week. Meeting the requirements and providing the requested documentation will avoid delays or requests for additional information.

Documentation should accompany the application form, if at all possible, when it is submitted, but can follow up within 2 weeks, as long as it is complete at that time. No final determination can be made until all the required information is available to the RTF COMMITTEE. If we have not received all the required information within the 2 weeks, the application may be dismissed.

IF THIS IS AN EMERGENCY SITUATION, PLEASE CONTACT THE STCA RTF CHAIRPERSON. The STCA RTF COMMITTEE may choose to waive or delay any of the eligibility requirements in order to provide an urgent response.

The Scottish Terrier for which this application is being made should be a dog who was brought into a Rescue organization, is a rescue the applicant recently adopted, or that the applicant took in with the intent to adopt out to another. The STCA RTF is funded entirely through donations and intended to be used to restore the health of a Scottish Terrier rescue when it has been determined that there are no other or insufficient sources of funding available or that the cost of fully covering their bills would cause hardship to the rescuer. Please be aware that since we are fully funded by donations, any grant amount will be subject to available funds.

Application Procedures:

Please complete the Application Form fully, provide at least one clear picture of the dog for identification purposes. Include a clear and readable vet bill which has been paid or an estimate of the vet work which is suggested. If possible, attach any summary information from the vet's office on their letterhead of the dog's evaluation, the diagnosis, prognosis and statement of proposed procedures and prices, for which you are requesting financial assistance.

Once this application has been received, the STCA RTF COMMITTEE will review and discuss the information provided and make a determination on the dog's eligibility, the amount to be considered, and who will receive the payment. A check from the STCA RTF Treasurer can be issued directly to the veterinarian or to the applicant, or the veterinarian paid directly with our debit card. No funding will be provided until the proper documentation has been provided other than in an emergency. If financial assistance is denied, the applicant will be notified within the 2 week period with that determination and the reason.

The applicant must agree to provide the medical treatment for which financial assistance is being requested, supervise the decisions on behalf of the dog, and provide any necessary fostering or followup until the dog has been placed or has passed.

Failure to comply with the STCA RTF requirements for application, eligibility or any procedures we set forth for this applicant, may result in denial of financial assistance. For any litigation resulting from this event, it will be the responsibility of the applicant to cover any legal or court costs or any related expenses.

Application for Financial Assistance

Contact Information

Contact Name _____

Rescue Organization Name _____

Address _____

City _____

State and Zip Code _____

Phone _____

E-Mail _____

Additional Contact or other information _____

Rescue Information

Name of Dog _____

Age, if Known _____

Date Dog Was Rescued _____

Has Dog Been Adopted ? Yes ___ No ___

Date Dog was Adopted _____

Color _____

Sex _____

Has the dog been spayed/neutered ? Yes ___ No ___ Not Yet ___

Condition of Dog on Intake _____

Medical Treatment Information-Please Be As Complete As Possible

Is this a life or death emergency? _____

Where is the dog located now? Vet ___ Shelter ___ Foster ___ Adopter ___ Other _____

Name, address and phone number of treating veterinarian: _____

Has the dog been tested for heartworm disease _____ Positive _____ Negative _____

Has the dog been tested for lyme disease _____ Positive _____ Negative _____

Is the dog pregnant? Yes ___ No ___

Please explain the situation that resulted in the dog coming into rescue:

Describe the dog's medical condition/diagnosis/prognosis or attach information:

Describe the recommended course of treatment:

What kind of post treatment care will the dog require? Who will provide that care?

What is the total cost of treatment to date ? _____

Was a rescue discount requested? _____

A Veterinarian's written diagnosis/treatment program is attached? Yes ___ No ___

Is this an estimate of future costs? Yes ___ No ___ If so, please attach Veterinarian's written estimate

Is this a followup of costs for a dog who was previously approved? Yes ___ No ___

If so, name of dog and date of grant _____

How much have you already spent on this dog's medical treatment and care? _____

Please specify the amount you are requesting from RTF: _____

Are you requesting reimbursement for monies already expended for this dog? Yes ___ No ___

(If so, please attach clear copies of paid bills)

Is the Veterinarian waiting for payment of these bills? Yes ___ No ___

If request is approved, who should receive the grant? _____

I agree to abide by all rules and contingencies set forth by the RTF and to abide by the Code of Ethics of The Scottish Terrier Club of America as they apply to my conduct related to the care of this dog. If this application is approved, I hereby release The Scottish Terrier Club of America from any claim; cause of action or liability arising out of any damages or injury to property or persons caused by the dog receiving financial assistance.

Signed _____ Date _____

Print Name _____

RTF Financial Application Approval Form
For RTF Use Only

Date Application Received _____

Date Application Reviewed _____

Date Application Denied _____

Date of Chair Approval for a request equal to or less than maximum _____

Amount Approved_____

Signature of Chair_____

Date of RTF Vote for assistance which exceeds the maximum_____

Voting Members (list names):

Yeas_____ Nays_____

Date forwarded to STCA Board for Approval over maximum_____

Signature of RTF Chair_____

Regional Club Delegate Chair Report
Christine O'Brien, LD
August, 2020

Activities:

Not much going on as COVID-19 has played havoc with our specialties. Even club meetings are mostly being held via zoom or conference call. Let's hope all this ends soon so we can start over for 2021!

- Occasional communications continue to go out to our club delegates and corresponding secretaries via email regarding any updates, reminders, events, etc.
- No ads have been sent as all the specialties have been cancelled 😞

Recommendations:

- None at this time.

Report of the Vice President of the STCA 9/27/2020 – submitted by Kathleen J. Ferris, Vice President

This report is an overview since my last report dated 2/15/20.

- Coordinated the 2020 STCA Rotating cancellation due to Covid including notifying judges.

- The “Non-Regular Status” Judges Contract and Sweepstakes Judges Contract are pending approval.

- Revised a more formal judges’ contract to be used going forward. It gives greater details to what the STCA will and will not cover as well as restrictions on judging the breed and Terrier Group prior to the STCA assignment. This is still pending.

- Contracts were sent out by Theresa Thomas, Corresponding Secretary
 - 2021 Rotating Sweeps and Regular Classes contracts were sent out and received.

- We still plan to participate in the AKC’s new Bred-By Exhibitor award. This will allow us to list and advertise the award (a free litter registration) in our premium list as a Prize if we offer a Best Bred-By Exhibitor in Show.

- Work is in the planning stages for Rotating 2021 with host club Chicago.
 - Contract has been signed with the Hotel
 - Working with Debi Russell as the Chicago co-ordinator
 - Working with AKC to designate as a National for purposes of awarding the reserve winners points

NON-REGULAR STATUS JUDGE'S CONTRACT Name:

_____ I agree to judge for the Scottish Terrier Club of America's Independent Specialty Date: _____ I

understand that the STCA will pay a fee of \$_____, one-night hotel lodging and meals. I understand that I must abide by the AKC rule which states that "*judges and household members may not exhibit any breed and judge on the day of, the three days before and the three days after an assignment within 200 miles of the assignment.*" This includes all dogs owned or co-owned by me.

Please familiarize yourself with AKC rules regarding who can show to you. The STCA (where not covered by AKC rules) asks that you notify people and their immediate family members to not show to you if in the last 6 months (if not indicated) prior to the show have:

- bred to my dogs or me to theirs
- a dog that I breed or owned that I transferred to them (1 year)
- a dog that I have transferred from them (1 year)
- provided handling/presentation classes for dog or owner (1 year)
- handled or groomed my dogs or co-owned dogs

I am strongly encouraged to not attend or watch Scottish Terrier breed or group rings or attend any STCA group activities prior to or on the day of my assignment.

In addition, I agree not to accept the following for a period of six months prior to the judging assignment:

- 1.Any Regional Scottish Terrier Specialty Show assignment.
- 2.Any Scottish Terrier breed assignment, if qualified.

Print Name

Address

Phone Cell

Email

Sign and Date

Please sign and return one copy to: Theresa Thomas

STCA Corresponding Secretary 5305 Jane Anne St., Haltom City, TX

Or use AKC recommendation of 4 months

Date.....

Name

Address

Address

Dear.....

Thank you for accepting our invitation to judge the Scottish Terrier Club of America's Sweepstakes at our (*Rotating/National*) Specialty on DATE....., to be held at LOCATION..... It is agreed that you will not judge Scottish Terrier Sweepstakes for a period of 6 months prior to the assignment. We agree to the following fees/expenses:

Judging Fee: \$200.00

Meals: Lunch at the show provided by the club.

We are excited to have you judge our youngsters! Please acknowledge your agreement by signing and returning a signed copy of this letter.

Very truly yours,

Name.....

Title.....

Accepted: _____ Date: _____

Date.....

Name

Address

Address

Dear.....

Thank you for accepting our invitation to judge the Scottish Terrier Club of America's (Independent/Rotating/National) Specialty on DATE....., to be held at LOCATION..... It is agreed that you will not judge Scottish Terriers for a period of 4 months prior to the assignment, you also will agree to not judge the Terrier Group the month prior to the assignment. We agree to the following fees/expenses*:

Judging Fee: (NONE, Flat \$ or &/per dog depending on what the Judge states)

Hotel: ___nights at host or approved hotel (this will be depending on need)

Meals: Meals will be provided by the club when possible or we will reimburse up to \$35/day (no alcohol)

Driving: We will reimburse the IRS current rate per mile

Airfare: economy/coach round trip ticket up to \$500 purchased at least 30 days prior.

To help our club reduce costs we encourage you to contact Jack's Travel Professionals. Travel can be arranged using your preferred airline/routing you will earn frequent flier miles/points. (We recommend and arrange to and from transport to Philadelphia Airport. The cost of your ticket can be direct billed. This eliminates the need for you to carry this expense until the day of the show. Please contact Kyle Robinson at Jack's Travel Professionals: Toll-free: 866-326-0871 - 502-495-6254 fax - email: krobins@onofrio.com

Airport Parking: Economy parking rate only. We do not pay portal to portal mileage.

Transportation to/from Airport: We will reimburse economy transportation such as shuttle service or rental of an economy car up to 2 days.

*It is understood that if you are judging the other shows on this weekend all travel expenses will be shared.

We are excited to have you judge our breed! Please acknowledge your agreement by signing and returning a signed copy of this letter.

Very sincerely yours,

Name.....

Title.....

Accepted: _____ Date: _____

October 7, 2020

Annual Report of the Treasurer

After a record 9 years of operating the Club in the black, the proverbial “rainy days” arrived in the form of a pandemic. Due to government mandated closures and restrictions, the Board had to cancel events for both National Specialties at Rotating and Montgomery in 2020. In addition, without shows, the Bagpiper magazine saw a substantial decline in Advertising revenue.

As a result, the Club has been operating this year at a significant loss. During the last 12 months (from October 2019 through September 2020), **Net Income** was a loss of - **\$35,482**. The Club is fortunate to have had reserves to help weather the storm, but **Net Assets** declined **-7%** to **\$471,732**.

Much of this loss (**-\$33,511**) is explained by **Extraordinary Expenses** for two special projects undertaken by your Board in prior years and completed in 2020.

1. After a more than a decade, the Website was redesigned in late 2019 and stabilized in early 2020 at a cost of \$25,119. Funding for the Website Redesign came from a Psaroudis Trust Bequest of \$31,212.
2. After more than a decade, a 2007-2018 Handbook was published at a cost of \$28,013. Funding for the Handbook came from \$10,974 in members’ advertisements and the balance from Restricted Assets set aside for special projects.

To the extent possible, the Board has managed planned operations, applied deposits and pre-payments to future years’ events, and undertook Shoppe sales promotions to minimized the loss in **Net Ordinary Income** of **-\$1,871**.

Year-to-Year comparisons are less meaningful in this environment, but the most noteworthy differences included:

- Rotating & Montgomery Specialties lost revenue of -\$15.4k.
- The Bagpiper Ad revenue declined -\$10.1k without shows.
- Shoppe sales increased \$6.3k to \$14.7k with 120-Year Merchandise added to Grooming.
- Web support increased to \$4.9k with additional outsourcing.
- Investment earnings improved \$1.9k to \$8.9k through a ladder of CDs.
- Membership revenue increased 3.4% (\$1.0k) with no changes in Dues.

Administratively, the corporate Annual Report has been filed with the state of New Jersey, Taxes for Unrelated Business Income have been paid to the US Treasury, and a biennial Internal Audit is planned for Fiscal (Calendar) Year 2020. Legally, a bequest from the Estate of Ann Gregg (Mozingo) is pending and is expected to conclude in the 4th Quarter 2020.

The STCA’s books remain open. Members can see monthly **Statement of Financial Position** (Balance Sheet) and **Statement of Financial Activities** (P&L) uploaded to the STCA website and published quarterly in the Bagpiper magazine.

Respectfully submitted,

Steve Russell
STCA Treasurer

