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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



As we come into the Thanksgiving Holiday, I want to wish everyone a Happy Thanksgiving! We all have so much to be grateful for; a warm home, plenty of turkey and pumpkin pie, of course, and our faithful Scotties by our side.

A big thank you goes out to Barb Sciarra for the hard work she did in putting the Barn Hunt together for our October meeting. Even though it was a challenge to find the location via GPS, we had an amazing turn out once everyone arrived. This was the first time that I remember of an STCC meeting having more visitors than members - 13 visitors and 10 members. We had people from Northern Wisconsin, Iowa and Central Illinois participating in Barb Gibson's training and educational session on the Basics of Barn Hunts. As Matt Lubeck has said many times, "if you sponsor an event including Scotties, they will come!" Although some of the puppies were reluctant at first, they got the idea pretty quickly to hunt vermin as they were bred to do. Again, our thanks to Barb Sciarra, Barb Gibson, and Lucas (the owner of Yorkville Paws and Claws) for making our event the success that it was.

Our next meeting is our Christmas party on December 2nd at Animal Feeds and Needs in Arlington Heights. "Santa Paws" will be present again this year to hear the Christmas wishes of our angelic Scotties. Rumor has it that there will be presents for good Scottie girls and boys. If you can let Barb Wicks know if you are attending and how many Scotties you have, Santa will have a better idea of how big a pile of treats he needs to bring. You are welcome to take as many pictures as you want with Santa. If you can bring goodies to share, please let Sue Grant know and she will probably kiss your feet.

Due to the amazing success of our Barn Hunt, Barb Sciarra is wanting us to sponsor and host other events of interest. If you have any interest, or better yet, knowledge and experience with other events, please contact Barb.

Again, I wish everyone a Happy Thanksgiving. I look forward to seeing you at the Christmas Party.

*Thank you,
Kathy Hufnagle,
President, STCC*



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STC Chicago is now a 501c7 !!

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We're pleased to tell you we determined you're exempt from federal income tax under Internal Revenue Code (IRC) Section 501(c)(7). This letter could help resolve questions on your exempt status. Please keep it for your records.

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If we indicated at the top of this letter that an addendum applies, the enclosed addendum is an integral part of this letter.

For important information about your responsibilities as a tax-exempt organization, go to www.irs.gov/charities. Enter "4221-NC" in the search bar to view Publication 4221-NC, Compliance Guide for Tax-Exempt Organizations (Other than 501(c)(3) Public Charities and Private Foundations), which describes your recordkeeping, reporting, and disclosure requirements.

Sincerely,

Director, Exempt Organizations
Rulings and Agreements

A Note of Explanation:

Being a 501c7 means the club does not pay taxes if we follow the guidelines in the IRS determination letter (above). However, as a social club, we are not a 501c3. Donations to club for trophies, our specialty costs, our future STCA national rotating costs, and our educational programs are greatly encouraged and very much appreciated. However, they are not tax deductible to the individual who makes the donation.

Note from the Editors: On the next several pages is an article that recently appeared in the September issue of the Terrier Group magazine. They have given us permission to reprint it here. Steve and Debi Russell are members, and breeders, of STCC.



TerrierGroup Breeder Interview

Steve and Debi Russell

WOBURN SCOTTISH TERRIERS



Debi and I are honored to be interviewed by TerrierGroup magazine.



TG: Tell us a little about your beginnings in dogs. Did you both grow up with dogs, purebred or otherwise?

With Steve's British heritage, he grew up with Scottish Terriers and his grandparents and mother owned Scotties in England. Debi's family owned an array of different dogs including a smooth Fox Terrier and terrier mixed breeds.

TG: What attracted you to the world of terriers, especially Scottish Terriers?

We both liked the terrier temperament and their tenacious personality. When it came to getting our first dog it had to be a terrier, and with Steve's background, it had to be a "diehard" Scottie.

TG: Did you attend a dog show and then decided to get a show dog, or was it the other way around? What did you think after attending your first dog show?

We bought our first Scottie about 40 years ago and attended obedience classes with the puppy. She won high score in her class and we moved on to higher competition. We never attended a dog show until our first obedience show. It was obedience only and our girl won High Scoring Terrier. Needless to say, we were hooked. While we attended all-breed shows we would watch the Scotties and think they looked pretty, but we

were there for the obedience ring. At the urging of our friend and long-time terrier man, Bob Tucker, we started grooming and tried our hand at conformation. Our girl completed her CDX and was training for Utility when we got our second Scottie which we wanted to show in both conformation and obedience. By the way, Bob was 86 years of age when he finished our Scottie, Bubba Biker. What an admirable feat for an elderly gentleman!

TG: And how did you go about finding a Scottish Terrier?

Being young and inexperienced, we found our first Scottie from a backyard breeder. We were lucky that the Scottie had a decent pedigree; however we were not looking for a show dog. Our next Scottie came from a fellow competitor. She had better breeding for a show dog, as we now knew a lot more about pedigrees. Eventually we connected with more reputable breeders (such as Charhill) and are very much indebted to them for our foundation stock.

TG: By and large, terriers are not an easy dog to get ready for the ring. Who was your mentor, who helped you on grooming, on how to show your dog, the "tricks of the trade?"

Learning to groom takes a good mentor and we have had several wonderful mentors over the years. The first was Bob Tucker (Exmoor) in Tulsa, OK., and then Charla & Kari Hill (Charhill) in South Carolina, and more recently Ron and Maurine McConnell (Barbary) in Michigan. We've learned tips and techniques from each along the way that we have absorbed into our grooming repertoire. Those wanting to learn how to groom Scotties should also invest in the STCA's award-winning "Guide to Grooming the Scottish Terrier" manual and video and attend grooming seminars. As we tell people that we mentor, Scotties are never one-and-done. Be patient as

it's a continual learning process that requires work over time to achieve a properly groomed Scottie.

TG: When you bred your first litter, how did you go about selecting a stud dog? What were your criteria?

When choosing our first stud dog we looked at the bitch's pedigree which was fairly open. We chose a dog from a kennel that was in her pedigree. We were fortunate to have an experienced breeder who taught us a lot about choosing a stud dog, whelping a litter and evaluating puppies. Over the last 20 years we've mostly done line breeding which we have found minimizes variability in the offspring. However, after a number of generations we found this resulted in smaller sized dogs, so we've had to go out occasionally. Even with outcrossing, we strive for type-to-type breeding and when working on improvements to conformation we minimize changing the fewest variables, such as head length, ear set, or tail carriage etc.

TG: How did you pick the kennel name, "Woburn?"

Once again, Steve's heritage played a role in choosing our kennel name. Woburn Abbey in Bedfordshire, England, is the ancestral home of the Russell family, Duke of Bedford, dating from another "Stephen" Russell in 1394. The name was a natural choice when registering our kennel with AKC. When we developed our logo we incorporated the family heraldry dating from 1694. We changed the rampant lion and three scallop shells on the crest to a Scottie and the top of the crest to a silhouette of

Woburn Abbey. Even though English, the Russells hold a Scottish clan tartan.



TG: What do you look for in a Scottie and what qualities are most important to you?

We strive to breed for conformation, health and temperament. We look for conformation that best matches the breed standard in structure, movement and temperament. Some will tell you to just breed for long heads. Others will tell you to breed for showy ears-up-tail-up attitude. However, there is more to it. Getting the body right on achondroplasia dog is the biggest challenge. It's rewarding to breed a dog of correct size with balanced structure and lots of bone and substance, i.e., the proverbial big dog in a small package. We've managed to do that a few times.

We take particular pride in having produced 66 Champions from Woburn breeding including



producing some Scotties who have won the STCA Brood Bitch Award three times and Bred-by Exhibitor Award four times. We are AKC Breeders of Merit and on the STCA Honor Roll for performing the recommended CHIC health screening tests for our breeding stock.

Every part of the standard is there to explain what the dog needs to successfully do its job. While there are no disqualifications in our breed, many judges today are putting up Scotties who are clearly much larger than the 18-22 pounds breed standard size and are too large to do what the Scotties were bred to do - to go to ground when chasing a badger or other quarry.

TG: At what age do you evaluate your puppies and place them in homes?

The initial evaluation is done around eight weeks. If there are three or more observable faults, we would place those puppies in companion homes at twelve weeks old. If not, we grow them out and continue our selection process. There are other decision milestones, such as when permanent teeth come in around four months, the head length stops growing around nine months, and overall bone structure and size are attained around 10-12 months. Throughout the cycle we are observing whether they have the right temperament for the show ring and begin trying them out in training classes and shows. Prospective buyers may not realize that an older puppy or young adult may be a better one as it has already passed many steps in our assessment.

TG: Going back to the show ring, do you show your dogs yourself, use a handler, or do you do both? How often are your dogs in the ring? Do you show primarily in your own area, other than travelling farther to Montgomery to the terrier show?



For the most part, we have shown our own dogs. We find it both challenging and rewarding as we get a lot of pride from having done it ourselves. Our Scotties have won the AKC NOHS Award several times.

This year is the first time we placed a "special" with a handler - MBIS MBISS GCHG Woburn Barbary Iron Man HOF (aka Junior). Junior may prove to be a once in a lifetime dog. We knew that we had a very special litter from the breeding of our dam Margaret (BIS BISS GCH Woburn Iron Lady ROMX) with sire Morty (MBISS GCHS Barbary Moriarty HOF) when they produced a large litter of eight puppies of which seven finished their championships. Junior was so special that we, along with our partners Ron and Maurine McConnell (Barbary), decided Junior deserved every opportunity to succeed in national competition. We placed Junior with professional handler Geoff Dawson and a remarkable year has unfolded. Junior is currently the Number One Scottish Terrier all systems, a Top 10 terrier, and the winner of three BIS and nine BISS to date. It has been "a dream come true" for all of us on Team Junior (see photo).

Our frequency of showing is highly dependent on our current objectives, such as whether we are showing class dogs or campaigning a special,





attempting to compete for a certain club award, or whether we have young puppies that require our

attention. There have been years when we have shown 40 weekends and others where we show a couple of weekends a month. Typically, we will travel up to six hours for all-breed shows, double that for regional and national specialty shows (Montgomery in October is 12 hours), and even longer distances to big shows such as the AKC National Championship (Florida), Westminster (New York), Great Western (California), and Crufts (England).

TG: Tell us about your favorite dog - your favorite wins!

It is difficult to pick just one favorite as there have been many. We have had three generations of

Best in Show Scottish Terriers. One of our favorites who started this string is BIS GCHP Woburn Camelot High Spirit (aka Darby). He is the first, and to date, only Scottish Terrier to achieve a Platinum level of Grand Championship. He amplifies what we feel a Scottie should be. Plus, he has remarkable small, high set ears. He finished his championship as a 17 month old puppy going BOB over specials and a Group One from the classes. After moving him up to BOB the next day, he went Best in Show with Steve showing him. He went on to win over 200 BOBs, and was a Top Dog multiple years, showed at the AKC National Championship and Westminster, qualified at Crufts, and is Junior's maternal grandfather. He is a show dog, lap dog, great companion and sleeps with us every night.

TG: Do you feel it's important to belong to a national club, to belong to a local all-breed club? Why?

Yes. We find it beneficial to belong to both national and local/regional clubs. We are members of the Scottish Terrier Club of America

TG

Woburn Scottish Terriers



(STCA), the Scottish Terrier Club of England, and several regional STCs in America, plus the Great Lakes All Terrier Association (GLATA). There is a wealth of knowledge and experience one can gain from the members of these clubs which contribute toward breeding and showing your own dogs.

These clubs need to remain strong to preserve, protect and promote the breed. Whether you show, participate in performance events or just cherish companionship, we all need to work together for betterment of the breed. It's important to give back. Steve serves on the board of the Scottish Terrier Club of America and Debi serves on the boards of both the regional Scottish Terrier Club of Michigan and the GLATA.

TG: What are the greatest challenges facing the Scottish terrier today?

As with many terrier breeds the Scottish Terrier's popularity is waning and we are faced with lower numbers of litters, registrations and entries. The current enthusiasts are aging out without younger people interested in the breed. Fewer than 10 juniors have shown Scotties to points in the USA this year. STCA recently conducted a survey of Scottie owners (not just members) to address the future of our breed. The feedback is being used to implement some activities aimed at increasing the interest in and the viability of the Scottish Terrier.

TG: And, of course, what are the rewards of being a member of the world of Scottish Terriers?

Through breeding and showing Scotties, we have had an opportunity to travel and make acquaintances all over the world in many walks of life who share our love of this breed.

Thanks to Steve and Debi Russell for taking the time to give this excellent interview to TerrierGroup magazine.



ATYPICAL CUSHINGS: An Update on Dr. Zimmerman's Research

Dear Scottie aficionados,

Thank you once again to those veterinarians and owners who participated in the Virginia-Maryland College of Veterinary Medicine's 2016 study of Atypical Cushing's in Scottish terriers. It was a long road (two years!), but the article detailing the findings was finally published this month in the journal *Frontiers in Veterinary Science*.

The article is rather technical, so we've provided a lay summary below. Dr. Zimmerman, the lead investigator, is on sabbatical this year, and we have no immediate plans to continue the research. However, we'll be back in touch if a new Scottie study opens. Please contact me if you have any questions, bearing in mind that we are not able to answer specific health questions about individual dogs who are not our hospital's patients.

Thank you! Mindy

Lay summary

The study that was recently published found a genomic variation in Scottish terriers that was associated with increased serum ALP activity. ALP is an enzyme in the blood that is commonly used to check for problems with the liver. The variation we found was located on the same chromosome as a gene responsible for inactivation of sex steroids. Genes can be active (expressed) or inactive (not expressed). If genes are overexpressed, their effect can increase. If they are under expressed, their effect is reduced. In Scotties, the sex steroid inactivation gene was under expressed in comparison to other breeds with Cushing's disease (pituitary dependent hyperadrenocorticism).

If you turn down the gene that is responsible for inactivation of sex steroids, they can accumulate. Think of it like a double negative in a sentence! Our research suggests the gene variation seen in Scotties may be linked with "turning off" this sex steroid inactivation gene, leading to increased concentrations of sex steroids. The higher concentration of these sex steroids may explain commonly observed liver and ALP changes seen in Scottish terriers, and suggest that Cushing's or Cushing's-like changes have a different underlying cause in Scotties than in other breeds. Further studies will be needed to better understand this genomic variation's relationship with sex steroid elimination in Scottish terriers.

Full Text

[Adrenocortical Challenge Response and Genomic Analyses in Scottish Terriers with Increased Alkaline Phosphate Activity](#), by Kurt Zimmerman, David L Panciera, Ina Hoeschele, W Edward Monroe, Stephanie Michelle Todd, Stephen Werre, Tanya LeRoith, Kellie Fecteau, Bathilda B Lake, published in *Frontiers in Veterinary Science*, section Veterinary Experimental and Diagnostic Pathology.

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BARN HUNTS

The information below comes from the American Kennel Club (AKC) website, AKC.org.

The Barn Hunt Association can be found on Facebook,
<https://www.facebook.com/barnhuntassociation/>

Not everyone will understand the importance of “rat catchers,” but if you live in the countryside, you sure do! “Rat catchers” rid farms of destructive vermin – and the hunting and teamwork skills required to do so are the foundation of the sport of Barn Hunt. Dogs and their handlers work as a team to locate and mark rats (which are always safely held in aerated tubes) hidden in a maze of straw or hay bales.

Some breeds are specifically created to fill this role as well as some mixed breeds being up to the task, but as long as your dog can fit through an 18” wide by bale-height tall tunnel, he’s eligible! “Barn Hunt tests the nose, speed, agility, and surefootedness of dogs that have a history of above-ground vermin hunting,” said Robin Nuttall, founder of the Barn Hunt Association.”

Barn Hunt events include a pass/fail instinct class for owners who want to familiarize their dog with the test. Courses are made increasingly difficult by adding more obstacles, additional diversions and more rats to find. There are several types of Barn Hunt titles your dog can earn:

- Novice Barn Hunt (RATN),
- Open Barn Hunt (RATO),
- Senior Barn Hunt (RATS),
- Master Barn Hunt (RATM),
- Barn Hunt Champion (RATCh),
- Master Champion (RATChX),
- Crazy 8s Bronze (CZ8B),
- Crazy 8s Silver (CZ8S),
- Crazy 8s Gold (CZ8G),
- Crazy 8s Platinum (CZ8P)



The Barn Hunt Association is an independent organization where titles earned can be recognized by The American Kennel Club. Titles earned in Novice and above will be recognized by The American Kennel Club.

TITLE ELIGIBILITY:

Any breed or mix of dog 6 months of age or older who can fit through an 18” wide by bale-height tall (approximately 20”-22”) tunnel constructed of straw/hay bales is eligible to enter a Barn Hunt trial.

To get started be sure to obtain a registration or listing number for your dog.

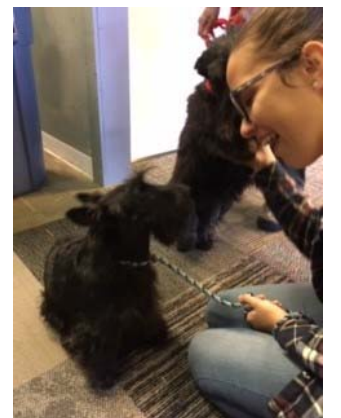
In order for dogs to receive a title, owners must have a dog number in our records so the titling information can be recorded. See the types of numbers available and which one best fits your situation.

**Turn the page for some great photos from our recent
“Barn Hunt” presentation conducted by Barbara Gibson
at the Yorkville Paws and Claws.**

PICTURES FROM THE BARN HUNT: October 21, 2018



**Thank you to
Barbara Gibson
(Yorkville
Paws and Claws)
for a fun and
educational day!
Our terriers had a great
time (and so did us
terrier owners!)**



UPCOMING STCC MEETING - Scottie Friendly!

DATE: December 2, 2018
 EVENT: "Visit with Santa"
 TIME: 1 pm to 4 pm
 LOCATION: Animal Feeds and Needs
 401 W. Golf Road, Arlington Hts. 60005
 (847) 437-4738
www.animalfeedsandneeds.com
 REMINDERS: Scotties are enthusiastically invited!
 Please: No Flex leashes
 Bring your own chairs!

FUTURE STCC MEETING DATES

March 24, 2019 - TBD
 April 21, 2019 - TBD
 June 15, 2019 - Specialty
 August 18, 2018 - Annual Luncheon
 October 20, 2019 - TBD



RAINBOW BRIDGE



When tomorrow starts without me
 Don't think that we're far apart
 For every time you think of me
 I'm right here in your heart.



Erinscot Henry Ashton UD BNM

11/05/05 - 11/08/18

Learning, achieving, dying.
 He did them all well.

To my faithful Scot.
 Goodbye and rest in peace.

Loved by,
 Barb Sciarra



FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE

From the Estate of Peggy E. Stewart

After the death of former member Peggy Stewart, I was contacted by her nephew asking if the Scottish Terrier Club of Chicago would be willing to accept a number of the Scottish Terrier Collectibles from her collection. Having been to her home numerous times through the years, I knew she had some nice items, and we had gone collecting at the Devon shows during Montgomery County weekends. After touching base with Kathy Hufnagle, I agreed to receive the items on behalf of the club.

After the package arrived, I was happy to find a variety of items I remembered from her collection: three pairs of vintage bookends, numerous candy dishes, a selection of books, and a framed collection of 26 miniature cards with various breeds of dogs, mostly Terriers.

The items are being photographed and catalogued and the STCC Ways and Means Committee will decide how best to sell these items to help support the club.

By,
 Richard C. Bumstead



STCA NATIONAL ROTATING 2021: Update

We are pleased to announce that the Scottish Terrier Club of America has accepted our proposal to host the STCA national rotating in 2021.



Dear Marilyn,

On behalf of the Board of Officers and Directors of the Scottish Terrier Club of America, I would like to thank the Scottish Terrier Club of Chicago for offering to host the 2021 Rotating Specialty. I am writing to inform you that your club has been approved to host the Rotating! We are proud to have your club host this prestigious show in 2021.

As host club for rotating, the STCA will share in the hard work that is required to make this event a success. The STCA will serve as a partner in every aspect of preparations, finances and hands-on work. In addition, the STCA will provide up to \$1,000 in advance seed money to be used for deposits or other expenses.

SHOW COMMITTEE: SPECIALTY - June, 2019**The Specialty June 2019 Trophy donation season is upon us!**

We are hoping you will consider sponsoring a cash prize for one of the classes in the Scottish Terrier Specialty, but if not, any monetary donation towards the trophies would be greatly appreciated. Historically, our club members have generously contributed to the trophy fund to honor our Scottish Terriers and their breeders, and to fulfill a commitment to STCC in providing this specialty show.

Donations may be made *In Memory Of*. Please indicate on your check or in an enclosed note which class you would like to sponsor, and/or to whom you are dedicating your donation. Please make your check out to STCC (Scottish Terrier Club of Chicago). You can mail your check to: Marilyn Flanagan, 1101 Camden Court, Glendale Heights, IL 60139.

Donations received to-date:

Richard C. Bumstead - \$125
 Marilyn Flanagan - \$200
 Kathy Hufnagle/Mindy Smouse - \$150
 Michael and Ruth Joseph - \$175
 John and Mary Ellen Kanthack - \$150
 Shelly and Alice Kurtz - \$150



McKinzie poses with some of her ribbons.

Our Scotties love the challenge ... Whether conformation, agility, barn hunt or more.



*Photo sent by proud owner,
 Eleanor Goss*

*Thank
 you*

Thank you so much for your anticipated donation. We would like to receive your donation by December 15, 2018. (Donations are not tax deductible, but, highly appreciated.)

STCC MEETING NOTES: October 21, 2018

(These notes are provided as an overview of the business conducted during both the board and general meetings.
Please read the official minutes for full details. The Editors.)

Board Meeting

(12:25pm to 1:05pm)

Present: Kathy Hugnagle, President
Marilyn Flanagan, Vice President/Show
Matt Lubeck, Treasurer
Barbara Sciarra

Absent: Barbara Wicks, Secretary
Michele Harland and Michael Joseph

Also participating: Rosanne Lubeck (Fundraising Chair) and Michele Geiger-Bronsky (Social Media)

President: (Kathy) She would like club to offer more activities where Scotties are welcome

Vice President: (Marilyn) 501(c)(7) not yet assigned to an IRS agent. Will update ongoing.

Secretary: None

Treasurer: (Matt) Bank account balance is \$4,810.09. Payments/reimbursements approved include \$593 for general liability insurance and \$200 dues to IFDCO.

Committee Reports:

Specialty: (Marilyn) Asks membership for designated and general donations to 2019 trophies at this time.

Membership: (Kathy) Said we are in a "membership drive." Guests coming to barn hunt; membership applications available. She thanked Pat Stevenson for reaching out to members ongoing.

Hospitality: (Sue Grant) None.

Education: (Barb S.) December "Photos with Santa." Future meetings may be "What I Feed My Dog" and a presentation by Eleanor Goss on Trick Dog - Novice, Open and Master designations.

Fundraising: (Rosanne Lubeck) Richard Bumstead had relayed to Kathy Hufnagle that Peggy Stewart's nephew has donated her Scottie collectibles to STCC. There was discussion as to how best use this donation.

Communication: (Marilyn)

The Plaid Piper: A special issue was done in memory of Peggy Stewart.

Website: Matt Lubeck has accepted the role of "webmaster" and has been having ongoing discussions with Chris at Motion3Media. After Board discussion, unanimous agreement was given to continue our 2-year GoDaddy renewal, to discontinue updates to our current website as it is not practical to get access to it

to do updates ourselves, and that we build a new site utilizing our own gmail accounts and a new URL.
Social Media: We will be adding a PayPal link to our Facebook page. The website is targeted to have a link, as well. These will allow for online auctions, along with membership dues payments and donations.

Old Business:

STCA Rotating 2021: The STCA board unanimously approved our proposal to host the 2021 Rotating.

FY'19 Budgets: Those decided upon as of now:

Plaid Piper - \$300 for six regular issues

Specialty 2019 (outside trophies) - \$800

Education - \$300-\$400 for room costs/extras

Website - GoDaddy (nothing for this year),

2-year web hosting platform donated by Matt

Social Media - \$0 (unless PayPal cost applies)

SOP's: Kathy has been working on these.

New Business: Possibility of other events between regular meetings was quickly discussed. As an alternative a larger annual fun event with terriers. Many on Facebook asked if there was a fee for the Barn Hunt. Something club might want to discuss.

Club Meeting

(1:20pm to 1:21pm)

President/Rotating 2021: (Kathy Hufnagle) She informed membership of STCA's acceptance of our proposal. She asked membership if they approved our moving forward on this. Unanimous agreement from those in attendance to formally accept the challenge and opportunity.

Continuation of Board Meeting

(4:02pm to 4:03pm)

Specialty: Motion unanimously passed to end the practice of separating out 'trophy funds' from general STC Chicago club funds. All areas of club need funds to expand club & adhere to our mission requirements. Education, the 2021 STCA rotating, and our annual specialties were three areas noted. Where applicable, and possible, funds will be designated and used per donor request. But, no separate accounting protocols will be expected of the treasurer at this time.

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c/o Marilyn Flanagan
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The Scottish Terrier Club of Chicago

The Scottish Terrier Club of Chicago was founded in 1930 by T.E. Weible and Mrs. M.F. Hills. On September 17, 1979, we were formally incorporated as a Not For Profit in the State of Illinois.

Our club is the 2nd oldest Scottish Terrier club in the nation. (California being the oldest club.) It is interesting to note that in 1959 there were still only eleven regional clubs. However, today, STCC is proud to be one of twenty Scottish Terrier regional clubs recognized by the Scottish Terrier Club of America.

STCC held its first Specialty show in November, 1930. Today, our Specialty shows are held annually the third Saturday of June at the Lake County Fairgrounds in Grayslake, IL.

Across the years our club has changed leadership and direction, as has every regional club. The allure of the Scottish Terrier has decreased, and nationally there is a strong conversation as to how to rebuild the breed, and our clubs. At our height we had 80 members. Although our membership declined, our current initiative is to expand our clubs footprint, and we are reaching out full force to add new members and, thus new energy and ideas. Today we boast 57 members and counting.

Most of our tenured members have served this club in a leadership capacity - at least once. And, there is a strong knowledge base across our club, focused on our mission. Breeders, exhibitors, and those with companion Scotties have come together with determination to improve the lives and futures of our Scotties.

In recent years, successes have been made for our breed. A test is available for Cushings Syndrome through Dr. Zimmerman and UTenn. Studies at Purdue University have increased our knowledge of bladder cancer. A home collection kit, made possible by Dr. Breen, allows owners to send in urine samples for diagnosis.

If this is the first (or 100th) time reading *The Plaid Piper*, you may have a strong, personal interest in our breed you would like to share. If not already, please consider joining as a member of STCC. Thank you.