

# The Plaid Piper

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I want to thank the past Board for their service to STCC last year and welcome the new Board. With the majority of the Board returning, we will continue to work with our Committees to build a larger, stronger Club to support our Scotties. Please give us any ideas or suggestions to help us accomplish this. Remember that it is everyone's Club, not just the Board's. The Board's primary functions are to keep the Club legal and fiscally responsible. The rest of the Club's functions belong to the Committees. So, don't be silent. Give us your thoughts and input.



Congratulations to those members (actually their Scotties) who attained AKC titles in 2017. Everyone who owns a Scottish Terrier should become involved in activities with their Scots. Our Scotties are smart, talented and capable of participating in many different activities. AKC not only provides the possibility of participation in a variety of events, but also for attaining titles in activities of interest, such as Conformation, Agility, Obedience, Rally, CGC (Canine Good Citizen), Community Canine, Barn Hunt, Trick Dog; to name a few. If you are interested in getting involved in any of these AKC activities and events, STCC has several members involved with them who would be happy to help you get started. Just let a Board member know and we will be happy to connect you.

Happy Fall! I hope to see everyone and their Scotties at the Barn Hunt on October 21st. The Chicago Westie Club will be joining us for what promises to be a grand time for both Scotties and Westies.

*Thank you,  
Kathy Hufnagle,  
President, STCC*

## 2018 - 2019 COMMITTEES AND APPOINTMENTS

### Committees:

<b>Education:</b>	Barbara Sciarra (Chair) Eleanor Goss	<b>Specialty:</b>	Marilyn Flanagan (Show Chair) <b>Trophies</b> - Michael Joseph <b>Premium List</b> - Alice Kurtz
<b>Fundraising:</b>	Rosanne Lubeck (Chair) Barbara Wicks	<b>Communication:</b>	Marilyn Flanagan (Chair)
<b>Hospitality:</b>	Susan Grant (Chair)	<b>Plaid Piper</b> - Marilyn Flanagan, Mindy Smouse <b>Website</b> - Matt and Rosanne Lubeck <b>Social Media</b> - Michele Geiger-Bronsky	
<b>Membership:</b>	Kathy Hufnagle (Chair) Patricia Stevenson		



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March, May, July, September, and October.

## MEMBER AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS - 2017

### Woburn Grand Champions;

#### Steve and Deb Russell

GCH CH Woburn Iron Maiden

GCH CH Woburn Bold and Beautiful

GCH CH Beltaine Woburn 1 Rockin Family Jewel

### Stargate Champion and Grand Champion;

#### Kathleen Hufnagle,

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### Glen Clark Grand Champion;

#### Richard Bumstead

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### Eleanor Goss; Mackenzie

CGCA Community Canine

TKN

Trick Dog Novice

TKI Trick Dog Intermediate

TKA

Trick Dog Advanced

### Barb Sciarra; Henry

RATM Barn Hunt Master

## JUNIOR HANDLERS: "Clover" with Makayla

In the July-August *Plaid Piper*, Kathy Hufnagle's young Clover was checking out the venue and ringside with junior handler, Makayla.

Look at them now!! Clover, now 15 pounds, proudly representing the Stargate kennel, and Makayla clearly ready to move forward with her life in the ring.



Her first time in the ring. A judge being a mentor and promoting her efforts to-date:

Best of Breed  
Best of Winners  
Winners Bitch  
Best Owner Handler

As her teacher and coach has said, "if you can handle a Scottie, you can handle any dog!" Well done!!



**QUESTION: Why attend a Specialty Show?****ANSWER: A Great Way to Meet Other Scottish Terrier Owners !!**

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

AKC Specialty shows provide exhibitors and owners with a unique opportunity. These events focus on your specific breed, so they are a great way to meet and learn from other knowledgeable and passionate Scottish Terrier owners.

You don't have to enter to join the fun, but if you've done some training and handling and want to compete with your dog, you should submit your entry form. Entries typically close two to three weeks prior to an event.

**Both Exhibitors & Spectators Are Welcome!**

- ⇒ Potential for a large Scottish Terrier entry!
- ⇒ Judges with significant knowledge of your breed.
- ⇒ No registration is required for spectators. Just show up!

**All-Breed Shows**

All-Breed shows are conformation events that are held for the more than 190 breeds and varieties of dogs recognized by the AKC to compete in, unless otherwise noted on the club's premium list. Also listed under All-Breed are the Group Shows, or shows limited to one of the seven AKC Groups: Sporting, Hound, Working, Terrier, Toy, Non-Sporting and Herding. Approximately 1,500 AKC All-Breed conformation point shows are held throughout the United States each year.

**Specialty Shows**

Specialty shows are events limited to a single breed, e.g. Bulldogs, or the varieties of one breed like Poodles, which include the three varieties: Toy, Miniature and Standard. Some specialty shows may be held in conjunction with an All-Breed event, while others are stand-alone events. There are about 2,000 independent national, regional and local specialty point shows held every year.

There is no better place to learn about your breed than at a Specialty Show, in particular the national specialty ("the National"), which is usually held annually by the breed's national parent club. It's where dedicated fans of the breed meet together year after year, sharing their knowledge and passion and bringing their best dogs to compete.

As with any dog show, the point of the conformation classes is determination of the best breeding stock to continue the breed - and this point is taken nowhere more seriously than at specialties and particular the National. A class win at the national can be a high point of a dog person's year, and a Best of Breed or Best in Sweepstakes is often a pinnacle achievement for a person with a long history in a breed.

Whether you're a prospective owner researching a breed, a new owner, or an experienced breeder, handler or judge, Specialty Shows are your best opportunity to spend time with others who share your love of the breed. Many provide educational seminars and may offer other events such as obedience, tracking, and agility, as well as breed-specific performance venues such as earthdog or field trials, herding tests and trials, lure coursing or draft test.

There are many specialties across the country every year. Take a look at upcoming national and regional breed specialties or search for national to local specialties, which are often held in conjunction with an All-Breed show at AKC Event Search and Results (<https://webapps.akc.org/event-search/#/search>).

**MORE GOOD TO KNOW INFORMATION ON VESTIBULAR DISEASE**

From Phyllis Stamper:

“I wanted to share a little more insight into Vestibular Disease. Just before we left for Utah the end of June, McBriar got it again - this time affecting the right side. At the end of July, you could still see a slight tilt to her head.

When I took McBriar to the veterinarian before we left, and mentioned I had been giving her Metronidazole for irritable bowel inflammation, she said Metronidazole toxicity can produce the same symptoms! That may be part of the etiology for McBriar. Now I give her a probiotic about every other day and that seems to prevent symptoms so far.

Once again, she is fully recovered and back to her sassy self!!”

Note: Phyllis later relayed that the vet put McBriar on Proviabio-DC which is a multi-strain probiotic. She has used both the paste and capsule version.

**STCC STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION**

With the club now fully separate from rescue, our fiscal year end will be June 30th going forward (as defined in our bylaws). The bank balance at June 30 was \$4,912.53 (club \$3,727.77; trophy fund \$1,184.76). At August 20th, accounting for all deposits and expenses through the luncheon, the bank balance was \$4,768.28 (club \$3,572.37; trophy fund \$1,195.91).

During the August 2017 luncheon to June 30, 2018 period (doing my best to allocate any prior activity to this fiscal year, our Profit & Loss statement for club showed income of \$3,133.00. Expenses totaled \$5,048.95. It should be noted that this expense amount included one time costs of \$656.00 to obtain our articles of incorporation, to change our formal name with the Illinois Secretary of State, and to apply for our 501(c)(7) tax exempt status.

Other items of note:

2018/19 Dues - 41 members (or 82% renewed their memberships - both individual or household); 9 members chose not to renew (3 individual and 3 household memberships). The club added 10 members during the 2017/18 time frame.

Communication Committee expenses included \$300.89 to publish the Plaid Piper; \$380.67 for web costs.

The June 2018 Specialty costs to-date total \$722.07 (we are awaiting a small deposit from GLATA).

Fundraising activities brought in \$296

Trophy donations were \$915.00; Trophy costs were expected to total \$853.85. Actual costs were \$743.85 (\$110.00 in cash awards not needed during the show itself).

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We have already received \$75.00 in donations for the 2019 trophy fund. It is time to set budgets for this year, including trophies, and work is already underway towards our 2019 Specialty and our potential hosting of the 2021 National Rotating.

*Respectfully Submitted,  
Marilyn Flanagan*

**STCC MEETING NOTES: August 19, 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.)

**Regularly Scheduled Board Meeting**

(12:10pm to 12:45pm)

**President:** (Kathy Hufnagle) She thanked the officers and directors for their service, and Pat Stevenson who chaired the nominating committee.

**Vice President:** (Marilyn Flanagan) No word from IRS re: 501(c)(7) yet. Is working on entering Club into the IRS tax database for the annual tax filing.

**Secretary:** (Barb Wicks) Sent the annual report to the Secretary of State and requested the registered agent be changed.

**Committee Reports:**

**Specialty:** (Marilyn Flanagan) Sweepstakes judge Lisa Hills still has not the gotten the green envelope (a portion of the entry fees). When Club receives it, she wishes we accept it as a donation.

**Membership:** (Kathy Hufnagle) Stated six members did not renew, but that our membership numbers are up. She also relayed that Carol and Richard Peterson, long time members, are both ill and in hospice. She suggested that members offer a "taxi" service to mature members or members that do not drive.

**Hospitality:** (Kathy Hufnagle) Stated that Sue Grant did a wonderful job arranging for our STCC Annual Luncheon meeting.

**Education:** (Barb Sciarra) She has arranged a barn hunt for our October meeting. Scotties welcome.

**Fundraising:** (Barb Wicks) There will be a 50/50 raffle (cash prize) during the luncheon.

**Communication:** *Plaid Piper* is now available online to the public for no charge. \$18 subscription remains for printed and mailed copies. Six issues this year cost \$300.89; offset by 3 subscriptions totaling \$108.00.

**Old Business:** National Rotating Specialty proposal is due to the Scottish Terrier Club of America on September 1, 2018. Copies of the draft proposal were passed out at the luncheon and the membership received their copies electronically. Steve Russell, Richard C. Bumstead, and Christine O'Brien formed a panel at the luncheon to discuss the 2021 National Rotating Specialty regarding the way it worked for the Heart of American and Dayton clubs. Membership questions were answered and input welcomed.

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**Club Meeting**

(1:30pm to 1:45pm)

**President:** (Kathy Hufnagle) Thanked last years Board members for serving and welcomed new board. Members. The 2018-19 slate is:

President: Kathy Hufnagle

Vice President: Marilyn Flanagan

Treasurer: Matt Lubeck

Secretary: Barbara Wicks

Directors: Michele Harland, Barbara Sciarra, and Michael Joseph

**Committee Reports:**

**Specialty:** (Marilyn Flanagan) The reconciliation from GLATA should mean Club gets a small (under \$100) refund, because we did our own cash prizes (rather than going through Roy Jones).

**Membership:** (Kathy Hufnagle) She has added Pat Stevenson to this committee and asked for ideas to interest new members and get members to meetings.

**Fundraising:** (Barb Wicks) \$115 raised in auction and raffle sales at Specialty meeting. It's time to do internet sales and 50/50 raffles at meetings.

**New Business:** Kathy informed Club that the Board has approved getting a PayPal account and it should be more convenient for members to pay dues.

**"New 2018/2019" Board Meeting**

(4:10pm to 4:35pm)

**President:** (Kathy Hufnagle) Welcomed new Board members. Discussion re: committee chairs and members. Stated that a budget is needed so that Club can finance these committees.

**Treasurer:** (Matt Lubeck) He will provide reports that can be accessed online by anyone on the Board. He will begin setting up PayPal.

**Committee Reports:**

**Communication:** (Marilyn Flanagan) More pictures are needed of the meetings and events the Club sponsors to entice new members. Controlling the cost of the website was discussed.

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### New Business:

PayPal: This was discussed and a motion passed for the Treasurer to set this up for Club. It will help in dues payment and fundraising efforts.

Specialty Judge for 2020: Barbara Wicks will start work on this.

Policies, Procedures, Officer, Director and Committee Job Descriptions: Kathy Hufnagle has asked that policies and procedures be documented for future Board members and committee chairs.

Budget for 2018-19. Kathy Hufnagle has requested that we look into Club expenses and budget accordingly to eliminate financial surprises.

### UPCOMING STCC MEETING - Scottie Friendly!

DATE: October 21, 2018  
 EVENT: Understanding Barn Hunt:  
 Learning the Basics  
 PRESENTER: Barb Gibson  
 TIME: 1 pm to 4 pm  
 LOCATION: Yorkville Paws and Claws  
 181 Commercial Drive  
 Yorkville, IL 60560  
 (630) 222-7339  
[www.barnhunt.com](http://www.barnhunt.com)  
 REMINDERS: Scotties are enthusiastically invited  
 Please: No Flex leashes  
 Bring your own chairs  
**The Westie Club is joining us!!**

### FUTURE STCC MEETING DATES

December 2, 2018 - Christmas Party  
 March 24, 2019 - TBD  
 April 21, 2019 - TBD  
 June 15, 2019 - Specialty  
 August 18, 2018 - Annual Luncheon  
 October 20, 2019 - TBD

It will soon be time for Club to come up with a theme for the 2019 Specialty, and begin to ask for donations for trophies. Have you considered making a donation towards our educational and fun programs? It is part of our constitution and mission to present events and speakers that further our breed, its standard, and its health. It is their future.

### LETTER TO CLUB AND MEMBERSHIP - The Illinois Federation of Dog Clubs and Owners

September 1, 2018

Dear Club Secretary:

Please read this letter aloud at your next club meeting. It is important that every member of your club hear and understand the importance of this call for action. If members of your club are not present; please include this letter with the sending out of your meeting minutes.

Once again the legislative year has flown by and the legislature is in recess until the fall veto session. Regardless of this being an election year, we expect some dog related legislation to come back in the veto session and HSUS to be very forceful in their approach. We have asked our lobbyist, Shaw Decremer to come back in the fall to help us defend your ownership rights.

**The Federation is asking every club to pay their renewal dues and to add a few extra dollars in the check to the Federation.**

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The long and short of it is that the Federation only has sustainable funds for one more year of fighting anti dog breeder and anti dog ownership legislation for you. HSUS and a few other Animal Rights groups are very well funded and they do not want you to own or breed a dog. They are doing their best to systematically faze people like you and I out of our passion.

We depend on a strong lobbyist to do much of the work behind the scenes to promote the IFDCO opinion. This work is not free. It cost the Federation \$2,000 @ month while the legislature is in session. Our lobbyist, Shaw Decremer, has continued to help us open doors that were never available to us in the past. Every member club of the Federation can be proud of the work he does every day for us.

Our funding comes from clubs like yours paying their membership dues, clubs donating \$1 @ entry at their competitions, and outright donations [some from bake sales, catalog sales, 50/50 raffles], and individual membership dues. At the end of the 2019 veto session, we will be without funds to continue. Please help us fight for your rights in Illinois to own and enjoy your dogs.

The mailing address for the Federation is: IFDCO – PO BOX 13043 – Springfield, IL 62791-3043.

This year every position on the Board of Directors is up for reelection and some directors have voiced their desire to step down. The Federation is looking for new members to serve. So, if any of your club members have a passion for the continuance of purebred dog ownership in Illinois we would love for them to step forward. Please have them contact the Federation and we will get them to the nominating committee.

We also have Federation lapel pins at \$5 each. If you have club members who want to join the Federation as individuals, they can get a free lapel pin by joining. Be sure to wear your pins at every dog related event to show your support. Wearing the pin starts conversations.

Lastly, we did have a successful Spring Session with a piece of legislation which we initiated. It was passed and the Governor signed it into law [Public Act 100-0870]. It will, among other provisions, provide essential data on exactly where and why animals are coming into Illinois shelters and animal control facilities, and what happens to them once they are there. This includes determining how many animals are coming from outside the state and country.

Legislation that restricts animal owners and breeders is commonly proposed due to misplaced concerns about shelter population or animal health issues. This new law will provide a full and accurate picture of exactly why animals are entering shelters, where they are coming from, and their ultimate outcome. This will provide factual data and greater clarity about issues so that real problems can be addressed and the most appropriate policies to benefit animals can be put in place.

We hope to see you with the 4-days of competition at the Prairieland Classic Cluster of dog shows in Springfield. They are in the Exposition Building on the Illinois State Fairgrounds. Bring a friend. Take the entire weekend off, bring your dog and enter the shows – and don't forget to send in your dues for 2018-2019.

Steve Hayden, President  
Illinois Federation of Dog Clubs and Owners

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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.