

The Plaid Piper

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Merry Christmas



Happy Holidays! There are several Scottie puppies celebrating their first Christmas this year. Do not worry little ones, Santa will find you. You are too darn cute to be THAT naughty! It is my wish that all our Scotties and their owners enjoy the blessings of the Holiday season, which should include lots of treats, toys, and love.

In the spirit of giving, please consider donating to STCC's Sponsorship Fund. Most the donations go toward our Trophies, but there are other expenses associated with putting on Conformation Dog Shows. You can still sponsor a category "in memory of" a dog or person, and I encourage you to do that. A sign up sheet for Sponsorship/Trophies is included in the Plaid Piper as well as a copy of the letter explaining the Sponsorship Program that has gone out to the membership. If you have any questions, please contact one of the Board members.

We heard you! Thank you to all those who sent in their surveys. Our next meeting will be held via Zoom January 16, 2022. Marcia Dawson will be speaking about ongoing studies and projects of STCA's Health Trust Fund. The March 13, 2022 meeting will be held at For Your K9 in Elmhurst, IL. This was a favorite location from the survey. The program will be an introduction to CGC (Canine Good Citizen), a certification you can achieve with your Scottie. Nancy Reyes from For Your K9 will be the speaker. For those who cannot physically attend this meeting, it will also be available via Zoom. I hope that everyone has a wonderful Holiday Season and that 2022 will be a great year for us all!

Happy Holidays to all.

Kathy Hufnagle, President STCC

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STCC Christmas Party



Kathy Hufnagle & Mindy Smouse with their Scottish Terrier Ernie



Debi Russell with Jeep



Carol Mallquist with Holly



Alexey playing Santa with three Scotties from left to right, Barbara Sciarra's McDuff, Kathy & Mindy's Ernie, and Michele Harland's Brody



Machelle Harland with Brody

Steve Johnson with his Scotties Agnes on Santa's lap & Wallace on the floor in front of Santa

Thanks to Ben Myers and Steve Johnson for providing the beautiful Christmas backdrop and lights.

Merry Christmas—Scottie Style



Santa with Kathy's & Mindy's Ernie



Santa with Debbie Senalik's Guy Noir



Makayla with Mater



Kim and Makayla Ouwerkerk with from left to right, Clover, Merinda on Santa's lap, and Mater

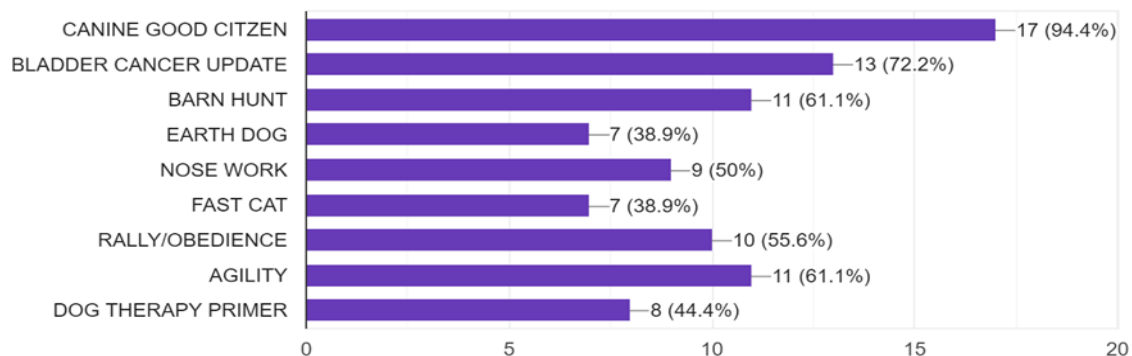


Santa (aka Alexey) and his girlfriend Kiana Vasquez with Ernie

STCC MEMBER SURVEY RESULTS 2021

WHICH OF THE FOLLOWING ACTIVITIES WOULD YOU LIKE AS A CLUB PROGRAM FOR 2022?
CHECK ALL THAT APPLY

18 responses

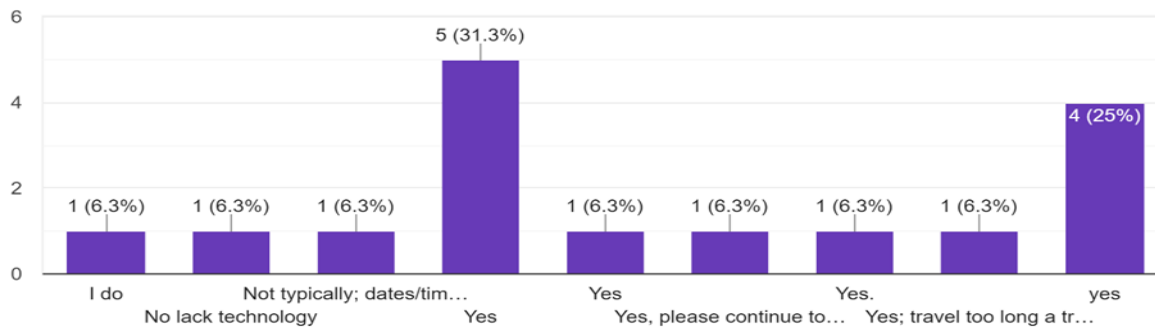


ARE THERE OTHER ACTIVITIES OR TOPICS THAT YOU WOULD LIKE TO HAVE AT A CLUB MEETING? 9 responses

- Agility
- Home cooked dog nutrition
- Health and wellness topics
- I enjoy other members sharing their stories about their Scotties, plus tips they've found helpful in owning them
- New diagnostic and treatment options are available
- Cooking for your Dog
- Conformation
- Scottie rescue, to help keep our beloved Scotties out of shelters
- First aid and CPR

DO YOU ATTEND MEETINGS VIA ZOOM? IF NOT, PLEASE EXPLAIN WHY.

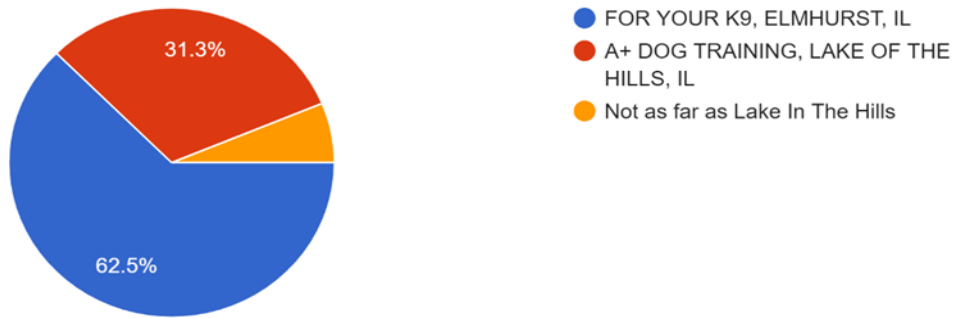
16 responses



STCC MEMBER SURVEY RESULTS 2021

WHICH FACILITY WOULD YOU ATTEND A CLUB MEETING?

16 responses



IS THERE ANOTHER FACILITY/LOCATION IN THE CHICAGO METRO AREA THAT YOU WOULD SUGGEST FOR CLUB MEETINGS? 8 responses

Pending: I really think that A+ is too far for most member.

I'm not opposed to K9, Elmhurst, but could not make more than one selection on this survey! Another choice: A Bond Dog Community Center, 842 W Northwest Hwy, Palatine, IL 60067 (847) 358-7312 or Palatine Training Facility, Euclid & Hicks Rds., Palatine IL.

Might try Baxter & Beasley, dog training facility, Palatine, IL 847-358-9663

Both are fine

Any location that is closer to Chicago and not a 2+ hour drive

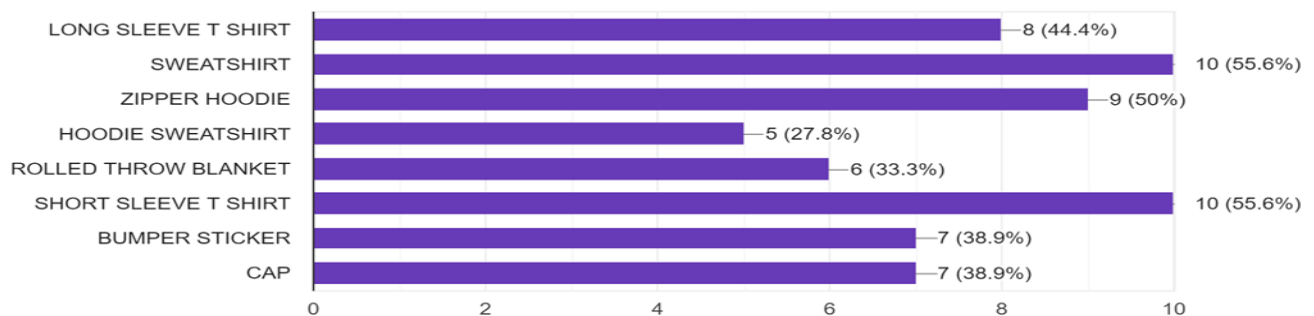
The place near Schaumburg

The Barking Lot in Deerfield

A variety of locations would allow more to travel shorter distances

FOR FUNDRAISING WOULD YOU BUY ANY OF THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WITH THE NEW CLUB LOGO?

18 responses



STCC MEMBER SURVEY RESULTS 2021

ARE THERE ANY OTHER ITEMS YOU WOULD BE INTERESTED IN? 5 responses

Magnetic bumper sticker

Anything Scottie!!

Cups and Bandannas for the dogs

I really like the totes

Include a featured club member in the Plaid Piper for each publication in 2022. We can pull a new name out of a bowl for each publication. The selected person would be notified that they will be featured in the next Plaid Piper, and they will be provided with a list of questions to respond to that would become their introductory summary overview. This will help promote getting to know the club members better.



Sponsorship Fund vs Trophy Fund

STCC voted in the October meeting to hold 2 Specialties in June; our usual one on Saturday with GLATA on June 18, 2022, and a second one on Sunday, June 19, 2022 with the Windy City Cluster. The Board has come up with a Sponsorship Program to help fund our Specialties. Sponsorship is nothing new; we started it on a limited basis in 2021. We will still have a Trophy Fund, but it is now expanded into the Sponsorship Fund. One will still be able to donate to a particular Trophy in honor of a friend or beloved Scottie. Although the majority of the Sponsorship Fund will be used for Trophies, it will also be used to defray some of the other expenses of putting on a show.

Supporting our Club with its shows is a way to continue supporting our Breed, the Scottish Terrier. Conformation Dog Shows are like County and State Fairs. It is a time and place to see and judge breeding stock. At a dog show, one can actually meet breeders and their dogs, learn about their breeding programs and see some great representatives of Scotties. Shows are a great way to get a group of Scottie lovers together to support each other and our breed.

We encourage anyone who would like to sponsor a class or win to do so. Several of you can go together to sponsor a class. If you have a business or know of a business who would be interested in being a Corporate Sponsor, please contact them. The name of the sponsor and "in memory of" notations will be listed in the catalog and website. Corporate sponsors can get an ad in the catalog, credit in the catalog, website and Facebook page and even signage at the show.

There is an attachment for sponsorship including both days. If you have any questions, please contact a Board Member. You may send a donation by check or PayPal to our Treasurer

Debi Russell

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Thank you

STCC Board

Sponsorship Fund vs Trophy Fund

SPECIALTY SPONSORSHIPS

CORPORATE/EVENT SPONSORSHIPS

Multiple sponsorships are available

GOLD \$500.00

½ page ad in catalog

Credit in catalog, website, and Facebook page (logo if available)

Credit in show announcements

Signage at the show

Silver \$200.

¼ page ad in catalog

Credit in catalog, website and Facebook page

Signage at the show

BRONZE \$100.00

¼ page ad in catalog

Credit in catalog, website and Facebook page

Website mentions will stay up until the next Specialty

CLASS SPONSORSHIPS FOR BOTH SPECIALTIES

Name of sponsor will be listed in the catalog and on the website. Multiple sponsors may sponsor any Class or award.

\$20 per class

\$70 Winners Dog

\$70 Winners Bitch

\$100 Best of Winners

\$150 Best of Opposite Sex

\$200 Best of Breed

SWEEPSTAKES SPONSORSHIPS

Names of sponsors will be listed in the catalog and on the website. Multiple sponsors may sponsor

Any given award

\$20 per class

\$40 Best of Opposite Sex in Sweeps

\$50 Best in Sweeps

Sponsorship Fund vs Trophy Fund

CORPORATE/EVENT SPONSORSHIPS

STCC 2022 SPECIALTIES

GOLD \$500.00

½ PAGE AD IN CATALOG

CREDIT IN CATALOG, WEBSITE, AND FACEBOOK PAGE (LOGO IF AVAILABLE)

CREDIT IN SHOW ANNOUNCEMENTS

SIGNAGE AT THE SHOW

SILVER \$250.00

¼ PAGE AD IN CATALOG

CREDIT IN CATALOG, WEBSITE AND FACEBOOK PAGE

SIGNAGE AT THE SHOW

BRONZE \$100.00

¼ PAGE AD IN CATALOG

CREDIT IN CATALOG, WEBSITE AND FACEBOOK PAGE

REGULAR CLASS SPONSORSHIPS

NAME OF SPONSOR WILL BE LISTED IN THE CATALOG AND ON THE WEBSITE. MULTIPLE SPONSORS

MAY SPONSOR ANY GIVEN CLASS OR AWARD

AMOUNT	CLASS	SPONSOR
\$20	6-9 MONTH PUPPY DOG	AVAILABLE
\$20	6-9 MONTH PUPPY BITCH	
\$20	9-12 MONTH PUPPY DOG	
\$20	9-12 MONTH PUPPY BITCH	
\$20	12-18 MONTH PUPPY DOG	
\$20	12-18 MONTH PUPPY BITCH	
\$20	AMER BRED DOG	
\$20	AMERICAN BRED BITCH	
\$20	BRED BY DOG	
\$20	BRED BY BITCH	
\$20	OPEN	
DOGS		
\$20	OPEN BITCHES	
\$70	WINNERS DOG	
\$70	WINNERS BITCH	
\$100	BEST OF WINNERS	
\$150	BEST OF OPP SEX	
\$200	BEST OF BREED	
\$20	VETERAN DOG	
\$20	VETERAN BITCH	
\$30	BEST VETERAN	

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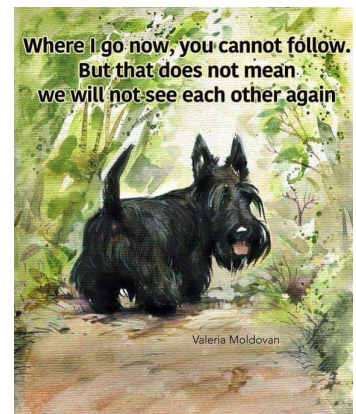
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| \$20 | 6-9 MONTH PUPPY DOG |
| \$20 | 6-9 MONTH PUPPY BITCH |
| \$20 | 9-12 MONTH PUPPY DOG |
| \$20 | 9-12 MONTH PUPPY BITCH |
| \$20 | 12-18 MONTH PUPPY DOG |
| \$20 | 12-18 MONTH PUPPY BITCH |
| \$50 | BEST IN SWEEPS |
| \$50 | BEST OF OPPOSITE SEX IN SWEEPS |
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Rainbow  Bridge



The much lauded Mackenzie, previously owned by Eleanor Goss and taken on by Gloria and Bill Urquart had to be put down due to many health issues. She was thirteen and enjoyed her life with her two Airedale cousins. Barbara Sciarra





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Dog Treats

Peanut Butter & Bacon Dog Biscuits

Ingredients:

- 1 3/4 cup tiger nut, almond, or equivalent flour
- 1/2 cup toasted carob powder
- 1 cup rolled oats
- 1/2 teaspoon baking powder
- 3/4 cup milk or coconut milk
- 1/2 cup diced cooked bacon
- 1/2 cup unsweetened peanut butter or nut butter
- 1 tablespoon olive oil or coconut oil

Instructions:

Combine ingredients and form 1/2-inch balls. Press into lightly greased silicon molds or place on parchment-lined cookie sheets and press to flatten with your hand or the tines of a fork. Bake at 350° F for 18 to 20 minutes or until brown.

Meaty Dog Biscuits

Ingredients:

- 3 1/2 cups almond, equivalent (see sidebar), or all-purpose flour blend
- 1 teaspoon baking powder
- 1/4 cup butter
- 1/2 cup finely chopped cooked bacon, fish, meat, or chicken
- 1/2 cup milk or coconut milk

Instructions:

Combine ingredients and mix well to create a soft dough. If you have a cookie press, experiment with different shapes and press cookies onto parchment. If you don't have a cookie press, create balls and press them with the tines of a fork. Bake at 275° F for 30 to 45 minutes or until light brown.

**FUTURE MEETING
and EVENT DATES**

January 16 via zoom: Marcia Dawson from STCA HTF - update on bladder cancer, DNA bank, and other research studies.

March 13 in person and zoom at 4 Your Canine - program: Canine Good Citizen

June 18 STCC annual Specialty and June 19 second STCC Specialty at Lake County Fairgrounds in Grayslake, IL.

Dog Treats**Blueberry Banana Dog Biscuits****Ingredients:**

- 3 cups almond, equivalent, or all-purpose flour blend
- 1 cup blueberries
- 2 ripe bananas, mashed
- 2 eggs
- 2/3 cups unsweetened peanut butter or nut butter

Instructions:

Combine ingredients, roll to 1/2 inch thickness, and cut to desired size and shape. Bake at 350° F for 20 to 30 minutes or until slightly brown.

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.