



Our Year in Review

2018 & 2019 Annual Dinner and Awards Banquet

Last year's annual dinner was held at the Ventura Country Club in Orlando. The raffle item was a framed original artwork by Catherine Michael, "Ready to Em-Bark". This was the theme for our 2017 Specialty. Pam Lowe was the lucky winner. In addition to the raffle Donna Johnson had a nice selection of boutique items and prepared exquisite Silent Auction baskets.

This year our annual dinner will be held Saturday, June 15, at the Macaroni Grill in Brandon. We picked this date and location to coincide with the five day all breed dog show held at the Florida Fairgrounds in Tampa. Details of the dinner will be on our website. www.stctb.biz

Scottish Terrier Breed Booth

Once again the Tampa Club organized the breed booth for the Scottish Terrier Club of America, held at the AKC National Dog Show. Donna Johnson came up with the theme of Scotties in Advertising Through the Decades. This was a huge hit and we were in the ribbons for the Terrier Group booth presentations.

The STCA has been more involved in recent years and their board members stepped in to assist with the setup up and take down of the display along with Bridget and myself. Thank you to the STCTB members who took time out of their holiday schedule to help us.

We have an amazing opportunity to show off our magnificent breed in this once a year chance in our state to meet possible future Scottie owners. Our breed has been so well represented in the past, and we sincerely hope to see new volunteers this year. If you are interested in participating in this year's breed booth, please contact a board member.

2018 Specialty

Our annual Specialty was held in December during the AKC National Championship weekend. Judges were Peter Green, Julie Hill and Blake Hansen. Sweepstakes winner was Sodak On The Road to Stardom. In the regular classes Best of Breed was GCH Whiskybae Haslemere Habanera. Winners Dog was Mijo-Shire Living The Life Of Riley At Kiltscots, owned by club member Suzanne Graham, and Winners Bitch was Beameups McVan's Lady Glitter Sparkles. Congratulations to all our winners! We thank all our participants for showing their beautiful Scotties.

Many thanks to Sheila-Faith Barry, Show Chair, and the Show Committee consisting of Linda Andresen, Jene Anderson, Patty Spence, Pam Lowe and Bridget Bower for their time and energy to bring everything together in this two-day event.

Our 2018 raffle item, the Radley special edition handbag "Hello London" was won by Laurie Slater. (That would be me.)

2019 Member Appreciation Picnic “Be My Tail-Wagging Valentine”

In February the club hosted a Membership Appreciation Day at the Hillsborough River State Park. We picked this time of year hoping the cooler weather would be perfect for our Scotties. And it was!

A catered BBQ buffet lunch was provided along with a designer Scottie cake brought by Becky Thornhill. The raffle basket winner was Leslie Condoleo.

We had a Valentine themed costume contest and Dawn Dayringer won with her two Scotties all decked out. Everyone had a wonderful time visiting with old and new friends. (Photos of the picnic can be seen on our Facebook page.)

“No Bad Hair Days” Grooming Seminar

In March we had a hands-on grooming seminar with professional show groomer Victor Rosada. In the morning session Victor did a detailed grooming presentation with a retired Scottie girl, explaining many of the grooming techniques he uses in order to have his Scottish Terrier ready for the show ring. The afternoon was “hands on” grooming for participants with Victor spending time with each individual. All the participants enjoyed the day and left with a wealth of knowledge and motivation to work on their own Scotties at home. (Photos on our Facebook page.)

Upcoming 2019 Specialty

The club is looking forward to our annual Specialty to be held Friday, December 13, at the Convention Center in Orlando. Judges for the Specialty will be Edd Biven and Robbi Garvin. We will have Sweepstakes on Thursday, December 12, and a supported entry. All the details are coming together and will be posted on our website. Save the dates and plan to attend this year. Our club will need volunteers for this two-day event. Please consider lending a hand.

Other

An update on Jr. Handler Nick Corsberg. Nick and his parents attended the National Terrier Show held at Montgomery County in PA. Nick showed his Scotties in the Scottish Terrier classes as well as in the Junior Showmanship competitions and received cheers from the crowd. Our club supports Jr. handlers exhibiting Scotties and we hope you will donate to the Jr. program.

We would like to acknowledge the Scottish Terrier Rescue of Florida for providing medical, foster homes, and eventual ‘forever’ homes to the Scottish Terriers that they have rescued. Your entire organization deserves an award for all that you have done to provide safe and a loving environment for Scotties in need.

The membership and board of directors wish to extend sincere gratitude to club president Bridget Bower for her dedication and hard work, bringing new ideas for events, fund raisers, and educational programs to our club.

Our Scotties are the reason we have a club and our members are what make our club thrive. We sincerely thank every one of you for your dedication to our breed club. We have an amazing group of people in the Florida club, so let’s make this year a memorable one.

Laurie Slater, Secretary