



Thistle-n-That

August 2015

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Official Newsletter of the Scottish Terrier Club of Tampa Bay (Florida)
Regional Chapter of the Scottish Terrier Club of America (STCA) since 1987

President's Message

Summertime in Florida – our Scotties are stretched out on the cool tile floors or curled up in a corner of the comfy leather sofa. Dog walks are very early and brief. And, so many of our club members are enjoying a well-deserved summer holiday.

The Annual Dinner was a great success. Over thirty members attended. *Thanks to everyone* for purchasing raffle tickets and for supporting the boutique with donations and purchases of some amazing Scottie collectibles. The positive energy and enthusiasm from everyone at our first big event confirmed that STCTB will soon be back on its feet.

In the most recent issue of *The Bagpiper* the president of STCA made a point of thanking her volunteers. I need to take this time, as well, to shout “bravo” to our STCTB workers.

Vice President Donna Johnson has been a tremendous help to me, answering my many questions. She has been a club member for a very long time and I can always turn to her for guidance. Leslie Condoleo is our Treasurer and will also oversee the Scottie “Meet the Breed” booth at the Eukanuba National dog show in Orlando in December. Let’s take a moment and say a silent prayer for her as she has just started the process of remodeling her home. (I’ll slip her a cool summer adult beverage next time I see her!)

Lynne Whitney has signed on again as both recording and corresponding secretary. Lynne has two grandchildren and a retired husband under foot so adding these new jobs should be a lot of fun for her.

Sonia Hollnagel was the corresponding secretary last fiscal year and did an outstanding job. Sonia is also our Membership Chairman. Sometimes I don’t easily understand her with that sexy Brazilian accent, but she does such a great job I don’t care.

Jene Anderson is in charge of breed referral for the club and will be my “right hand” at the upcoming Scottie Fall Fun Day. (Thank goodness she has that big truck!)

Anne Bower is working on the revised By-Laws for the club, one of the most tedious jobs. (They’ve stalled at my desk but should be going out to members for review soon.)

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*Now there are Two More Ways You
Can Stay Connected to STCTB...*

Visit our updated website: www.stctb.biz

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President's Message- Continued

Pam Lowe is our money-making cheerleader. Pam is always upbeat and positive. Frankly, I'm convinced she is from another planet. No one has *that* much energy 24/7! ("Beam me up Scottie!")

Sheila-Faith Barry and the STCTB Show Committee are overseeing everything for the upcoming December Specialty. With Sheila-Faith in charge, I know the show will be a great success and that all that I need to do is show up at the ring on December 11th.

Colleen Rafatti has made a huge impact on the club taking on the tasks of Newsletter Editor and Webmaster. These are on-going jobs that require a lot of support and member input. Let her know you enjoy all her efforts! *A quick email or note can make all the difference.*

Elizabeth Driscoll oversees the STCTB Boutique. I'm not sure where Elizabeth stores all the Scottie goodies; probably in her garage. (Has anyone seen Brian? He may be pinned out there under a storage bin.)

And I must include Janet Tomlinson, our STCA Delegate and *Bagpiper* Correspondent. Janet has been my "rock" of support and has been a wealth of information regarding State laws, insurance, tax matters and other corporate issues. Thank you so much, Janet.

Finally, I must express my appreciation to all the club members for supporting the Scottish Terrier Club of Tampa Bay. We will continue to focus on what the founding members of our club worked so hard to achieve- to encourage and promote the responsible breeding and ownership of Scottish Terriers.

Laurie Slater
President

Editors Introduction

Hi! I'm Logan "Handsome Boy" (that's what my Mom calls me!) Rafatti. My mom Colleen and I are the *Thistle-n-That* editors. Here are pictures of us. That's me and Mom (when I was just a baby), me and my sis Bristol (I'm the one on the left) and me again, hunting in our yard, all grown up!

In every newsletter I'll share my opinion on some issue of great importance to Scotties, tell you about one or more of my Scottie adventures, help Mom with the Scottie perspective on feature stories, tell you about STCTB events - and more!

These opinions represent my personal and subjective views as the Editor, and are subject to change at any time without notice. (Mom told me to say that.)

You can write me (and Mom) at
STCTBnewsletter@aol.com

Check out my resume on the Newsletter tab on our Club website: www.stctb.biz

Logan



Join us for a howling good time!!!



Howling

Scottie Fall Fun Day

Saturday, October 31st, 2015
12:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Hillsborough River State Park
Pavilion 9 Cypress
15402 U.S. 301
North Tonawanda, FL 33592

\$6.00 per car park entrance fee
Bring proof of current rabies vaccination for all dogs.



RSVP by October 28th to Laurie Slater
Call 813-926-7126, email tampascotties@gmail.com
Or RSVP on the [STCTB website](http://www.stctb.biz)

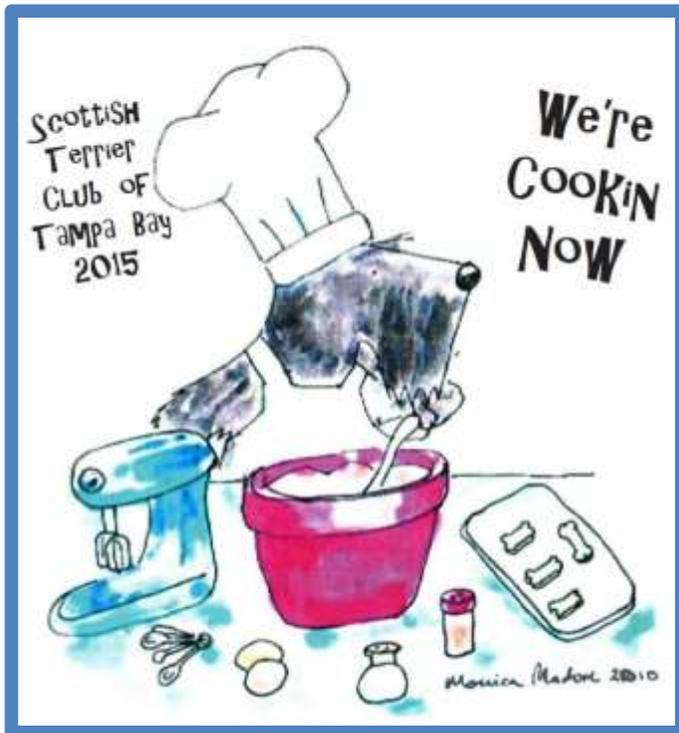
- STCTB members and their family members, and anyone who loves Scotties, is invited to attend -- and to bring their well-behaved Scotties.
 - BBQ (meat buns condiments provided); bring a dish to share for pot-luck luncheon.
 - Scottie Halloween costume contest (prizes!)
 - Lure coursing and barn hunt demonstrations.
 - Scottie boutique sales.
 - Club meeting.
 - ...and much more fun for everyone!
- Visit www.stctb.biz for more information!



Support Your STCTB Specialty Show and Sweepstakes!

Friday, December 11, 2015

Orange County Convention Center Orlando, Florida



HOW?

Donate to the show fund
or trophy fund!

Advertise in the
show catalog!

Volunteer to help with the show
or the "Meet the Breeds" booth!

Exhibit your Scottie!

- You can donate to the show fund or trophy fund using our convenient [PayPal links on the STCTB website](#), or by contacting STCTB Treasurer Leslie Condoleo to use other methods of payment. Email her at lcondoleo@embarqmail.com or call (407) 230-8413.
- Advertising space is available in our STCTB specialty show catalog. "Advertising" doesn't refer only to promoting a kennel, business, or service; it can also include "good luck", "best wishes", "congratulations" and other types of general messages to support STCTB activities and programs.

Please consider purchasing an advertising space! Advertisement prices are based on ad size:

- Full page (4 1/2" x 7 3/16"): \$25.00
- Half page (4 1/2" x 3 9/16"): \$15.00
- Quarter page (4 1/2" x 1 3/4"): \$10.00

We can help you with the wording and layout of your ad. Photographs or simple artwork can be included.

Ads must reach Judy Makem by October 15, 2015! **Please see submission guidelines on the next page!**

- Help out with the STCTB Specialty Show and Sweepstakes (email Sheila-Faith at camdynscotties@yahoo.com or call her at (352) 497-5476 to volunteer) or "Meet the Breed" booth (email Leslie Condoleo at lcondoleo@embarqmail.com or call her at (407) 230-8413 to volunteer).

We will need a lot of help from enthusiastic club members to have a successful and memorable show weekend!



Scottish Terrier Club of Tampa Bay Specialty Show Catalog Advertisement Information

Ad Sizes and Prices:

- Full page (4 1/2" x 7 3/16"): \$25.00
- Half page (4 1/2" x 3 9/16"): \$15.00
- Quarter page (4 1/2" x 1 3/4"): \$10.00

Format and Acceptable Media:

- Please print clearly or type all ad copy to avoid errors- especially in the names of dogs and/or owners.
- For best results, send only *original* photographs; black and white glossy photographs or electronic images generated directly from original photographs always reproduce best. Xerox copies or reproductions of pictures from show catalogs, telephone books, business cards, screen photos, faxed logos or artwork, etc. result in **poor quality** and are **not** guaranteed. Copy and logos on dark-colored backgrounds cannot be guaranteed separation.
- Do not send negatives, slides, or screened photos.
- Artwork must be no larger than 8 1/2" x 14".
- To avoid damaging them, do not bend, fold, or staple pictures/artwork to your ad copy.
- Unless otherwise indicated, all photos may be cropped to put emphasis on the dog.
- If sending an ad from a previous MB-F show catalog, indicate the name and date of the show.
- Photographs and original artwork may be picked up from STCTB on the day of the Specialty Show (or mailed back to you after the show). Using a felt tipped marker or pencil, please write your full name and mailing address on the back of your submitted photos/artwork.

File Submission Guidelines:

- Send either hard copy (printed or typed/word processed) files and photographs, or electronic files of the text and images on CD-ROM or CD-R type discs **only**. (Do not submit files on CD-RW discs.)
- Electronic files will **only** be accepted in the following formats:
 - Adobe® Illustrator® — filename.ai or filename.eps2 or .eps
 - Adobe® Photoshop® (for best results; sizes are after cropping)
 - color or grayscale TIFFs — filename.tif, 4 1/2" wide @ 200 dpi
 - black & white TIFFs — filename.tif, 4 1/2" wide @ 400 dpi
 - color or grayscale JPEGs — filename.jpg, 200 dpi @ minimum quality
 - black & white JPEGs — filename.jpg, 400dpi @ minimum quality
 - Portable Document Format (PDF) — filename.pdf (fonts used MUST match exactly to our own or be embedded)
 - Microsoft Word — filename.doc. If there is a picture in the Word file - you must send it separately in one of the above formats. Do not send images in a Word® document as the *only* image; please send the original photograph or include a disc with the photo on it in one of the formats listed above.
- We cannot accept any files or formats that are *not included in the list above*. This includes: QuarkXPress®, Microsoft Publisher®, Microsoft PowerPoint®, etc.

**All advertising copy, media, and payment must reach the STCTB Advertising Chairperson by October 15, 2015.
Mail or email ad, photos/photo files, and check payable to STCTB to:**

Judy Makem
6833 NE 35 LN
Silver Springs, Florida 34488
(949) 702-0701
judymakem@gmail.com

You may also pay online using PayPal on the STCTB website (www.stctb.biz)



STCTB Annual Dinner and Meeting

June 13, 2015
Orlando, Florida



Highlights

- 30 members and guests attended the dinner and meeting held at the Ventura Country Club in Orlando, Florida.
- Approximately \$1,100 was raised from the TV raffle. (The TV was won by Donna Johnson.) Over \$250 was raised for Scottie rescue and club efforts through boutique sales. Another \$1,250 was raised from the silent auction items.
- Old friends had a chance to reconnect; new friends were made! A good time was enjoyed by all!

Election Results *(Terms in office from 7-1-15 through 6-30-16)*

Officers

President- Laurie Slater
Vice President- Donna Johnson
Treasurer- Leslie Condoleo
Recording and Corresponding Secretary- Lynne Whitney

Directors

Jene Anderson
 Anne Bower
 Sonia Hollnagel
 Pam Lowe



Jene Anderson
Brookstone Scotties

Award Recipients

CH Brookstones Next Top Model
 CH Brookstones All Eyes on Me CA
 CH Boldwyn Brookstone Movin' Out
 Brookstones Breaking Barriers CA

Linda Andresen
Southmoon Scotties

CH Ergolen's Some Kinda' Wonderful



Sonia Hollnagel
Dufftown Scotties

CH Dufftown's Spirit of the Sun
 CH Camdyn Corsair
 CH Dufftown Boldwyn Spice Girl

Ray Sodano

GCH Woburn Locksley William the Conqueror CAX
 GCH Woburn Power By Design CA

Janet Tomlinson
Floragem Scotties

CH Seafire Floragem's I'm Dreamin





**Scottish Terrier Club of Tampa Bay
Annual Meeting Minutes
June 13, 2015**

STCTB President Laurie Slater called the meeting to order.

Treasurer's Report: Leslie Condoleo

- Leslie Condoleo read the Treasurer's report.
- All rescue donations from 2/1/2014 through 4/30/2015 have been sent to the Scottish Terrier Rescue of the Southeast.

Officers and Directors for 2015 – 2016:

Leslie Condoleo cast the vote for the new slate of officers:

- President Laurie Slater
- Vice President Donna Johnson
- Treasurer Leslie Condoleo
- Secretary Lynne Whitney
- Directors: Pam Lowe, Anne Bower, Sonia Hollnagel, and Jene Anderson

President's Report:

- Laurie introduced the committee chairs for the STCTB.

Specialty Show Report: Sheila-Faith Barry

- Sheila-Faith gave a report for the December 11, 2015, specialty to be held at the Orange County Convention Center, Orlando, prior to the Eukanuba National Championship dog show.
- A custom art design by Monica Madore will be the show's theme: "We're Cookin' Now".
- Regular class judge will be Mareth Kipp. Sweepstakes judge will be Marianne Melucci.

Scottie Fun Day:

- Possible dates and locations were discussed.
- The decision was made to have the Fun Day Saturday, October 31st at the Hillsborough River State Park. It has covered pavilions with electrical outlets and plenty of shade trees.
- Tentative plans are to have lure coursing "mini" races, an introduction to barn hunting, and a costume contest for the Scotties.
- Laurie Slater will make arrangements to reserve the pavilion for a fee of \$95.

Breed Booth – Eukanuba:

- Leslie Condoleo will once again be in charge of the Breed Booth.
- A discussion about volunteers and dogs and participating at this event occurred.
- Laurie encouraged everyone to support the event and those with Scotties – pet, show, and rescue – with appropriate "personalities" to contact Leslie if they are able to volunteer at the booth.

Highland Games:

- The club has been invited to two Highland Games in the spring of 2016.
- Pauline Mitchell has asked the STCTB to participate in the Games in Sarasota, January 2016.
- Jim and Kathi Overby invited everyone to attend the Jacksonville Games in February 2016. Jim Overby gave a brief discussion of the general layout and information about their Games.

The meeting was adjourned.

**More details and lots of photos from the annual dinner
are posted on the [STCTB website](#)**

Attention STCTB Members... It's Time to Renew Your Membership!

Leslie Condoleo
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lcondoleo@embarqmail.com

Date: May 29th, 2015

Dear STCTB Members,

It's that time of year for annual membership dues and we hope that you will continue to show your support. In the past several years we have had a few bumps in the road to overcome but we are making great strides now. We have a new President, Laurie Slater, in addition to a new board, and a few committees that have the passion and drive to keep us moving in a positive way.

Membership dues are increasing slightly and will now be more in line with other dog club fees. The membership levels are as follow:

- Associate (non-voting) \$25
- Single (voting) \$30
- Family (voting for two) \$40

In the past it was suggested that if you lived outside the Tampa Bay area and regular attendance to meetings was not possible, that you select an Associate membership. But now, with many members living outside this area we have been able to have meetings via conference call. Our goal is to be able to have meetings at some of the events we are planning in order to have more participation.

In addition, we hope you will consider contributing to the club's other efforts. Without your generosity these efforts fall short.

- Rescue
- Show Fund
- Trophy Fund

We are now able to provide an online payment option through PayPal. The link can be found on our new website www.STCTB.biz under Memberships. But please complete the Membership form and mail that to me at the address below or scan it and email it.

For those of you that wish to mail a check, make it payable to STCTB and mail it along with your completed Membership form to the address above.

Sincerely,

Leslie Condoleo
Treasurer, STCTB

Membership Information Form
Scottish Terrier Club of Tampa Bay (STCTB) 2015-2016

Name: _____

Kennel Name: _____

Address:

Street: _____

City: _____

State: _____

Zip Code: _____

Phone Number:

Home: _____

Mobile: _____

Email Address: _____

Member since: _____

Membership Level (select one):

Associate (non-voting) \$25 _____

Single (voting) \$30 _____

Family (voting) \$40 _____

Additional funds:

Rescue \$ _____

Trophy Fund \$ _____

Show Fund \$ _____

Please make checks payable to STCTB or pay online at www.STCTB.biz under Memberships

Mail to:

Leslie Condoleo
101 Shipley Court
Longwood, Florida 32779

Click here to [download a printable copy of the Membership Information Form](#) that you can email to Leslie. You can also pay your dues on our [website via PayPal](#).

STCTB Membership Information

Membership is open to anyone 18 years of age or older who:

- Is in good standing with the American Kennel Club,
- Loves Scottish Terriers, and
- Agrees to the STCTB Code of Ethics.

Whether you show or breed Scottish Terriers, participate with your Scotties in organized activities such as obedience, agility or earth dog trials... or just enjoy Scotties as companions snuggling on your lap at home, we invite you become a member!

Benefits of STCTB Membership Include:

- Voting privileges (single and family membership categories) and opportunities to participate on club committees and to hold club offices.
- Representation locally and nationally in support of issues of importance to Scottish Terriers and all purebred dogs.
- Quarterly informative newsletters.
- A Scottie-focused website and Facebook page.
- Support of Scottie rescue efforts in Florida.
- Scottie "fun days", picnics, and other social gatherings.
- Annual meeting and awards dinner.
- Sponsorship of the local Scottish Terrier specialty breed show and sweepstakes.
- Networking with fellow Scottish Terrier owners for insight and answers to your Scottie questions!

And... many opportunities for fun and friendship with others who share a love of Scottish Terriers!

New Applicants for Membership

STCTB is pleased to introduce these individuals who have applied for membership.

We look forward to meeting them soon.

George and Diane Ray (Leesburg, Florida)

- George and Diane breed and show Scotties.
- Applying for family membership (sponsor: Pam Lowe)

Don and Judy Dertod (Lakeland, Florida)

- Don and Judy have owned both companion and show Scotties for over 10 years.
- Applying for family membership (sponsor: Pam Lowe)

The Summer Fun Photo Contest Winners are...



Video Category (1 entry)
Submitted by Colleen Rafatti
Bristol Rafatti happily rolling in the warm, wet summer grass.

[Click here to watch Bristol's video on YouTube](#)



Photograph Category (1 entry)
Submitted by Laurie Slater
Laurie Slater's girls enjoying summer from the comfort of a shaded lanai: Dixie (left), Savannah (center), and Kendall (right)

Come Join the Fun at the Annual Sarasota Highland Games and Celtic Festival
Sarasota Fairgrounds Sarasota, Florida
January 30, 2016 9am – 5 pm

STCTB member Pauline Mitchell extends a special invitation to all Scottie owners to attend the Highland Games to be held in Sarasota the last Saturday in January 2016 (January 30th). Pauline notes that two booths are booked at this exciting event for the Scottish Terrier Club of America (STCA) - and that she would love to have our club members show support by attending along with STCA members. Every Scottie- show, pet, or pup- and their caretakers are welcome! Her goal is to have as many Scotties there as possible!

As more details become available they will be passed along to STCTB members and posted on our website. Pauline may need some volunteers to assist with the booths, too. Learn more about the Sarasota Highland Games at <http://sarasotahighlandgames.com/> or contact Pauline Mitchell at pjmitchell@yahoo.com

Editor's Note: I like to play games! Will there be food? Count me in!

Logan

Scottie STARS

(...Successes, Triumphs, Accolades, Records, Sensations...)

Congratulations to Two New Champions!

CH Dufftown Going Country ("Reba")

Earned her championship at the Boca Raton Dog Club on June 6, 2015, going Best of Breed over two specials.

Owners: Sonia Hollnagel and Jene Anderson
Owner handled
Bred by Sonia Hollnagel and Jene Anderson



CH Camdyn Grace Note ("Carmen")

Earned her championship at the Brevard Kennel Club on June 19, 2015, going Winners Bitch.

Owner: Sheila-Faith Barry
Owner-handled
Bred by Janet Tomlinson



Dog Show Brags!

We are thrilled to share with you that Elke, Eroglen's A Shot In the Dark at Southmoon, took Reserve Winners to a major her first time the ring at the Brevard Kennel Club on 6-19-15!

The day Elke turned 8 months old was the beginning of the Orlando show weekend. She won her class the second day.

On 6-21-15 she won Winner's Bitch for a major at the Space Coast Kennel Club. It was very exciting and especially gratifying to have the support of our friends and competitors.

Her next stop will be the STCGL Specialty in Louisville on August 22!
Linda Andresen (Southmoon Scotties)

Editor's Note: Well... he's doing it! My cousin has started going to dog shows to become a champion.

Of course, I could be a show dog if I wanted to- but I'd rather lounge around at home and hunt lizards!

Logan

Thistle-n-That

Update!

My Cousin Wants to be a Champion! Will He Do It? Part 2

This is Logan again, bringing you an update on the story of my baby boy cousin who wants to be a *champion* Scottish Terrier when he grows up! My cousin is now *almost* a big boy like me! He's gotten lots bigger (he weighs about 18 pounds now), and still has his pretty stripes. (Oops- brindle, that is!) In this picture he had just finished his first show dog grooming. A lot has happened since I last told you about him. Besides getting his fancy hairdo he also went to puppy class to learn how to behave at the dog show. I asked his Mom how he did at class, and this is what she said, "Mister Stinker here (that's my cousin) was *terrible* at classes yesterday, hated his show lead, and snapped at two other puppy males that came too close to his face. Guess I'll have to get busy to get him behaving for the show." I'm glad that wasn't *me*... I don't like having my Mom upset with *me*! My cousin had to go to more classes to practice his show dog prance, and eventually behaved enough like a gentleman to go to his first dog show. He was excited, and so was I! I started making plans to go to the show, but then my Mom said I *couldn't* go because I was not entered. That seemed easy to fix, but then she said I *couldn't* be entered because I was "fixed". What the heck is "fixed"? She explained, but then I didn't know whether to be upset with her, or not. Even though I am fixed I *am* still a tall, handsome Scottie boy! It doesn't seem fair. My cousin's first dog show was May 16th. Since I couldn't go, I will let *him* tell you all about it!



Hi! This is.... Oops! I'm not supposed to say that. It's a surprise until I become a champion. On dog show day we went for a ride in Mom's van. I was excited when we got to the dog show. There were lots of dogs of all different kinds and sizes there. It sure was noisy with all those dogs barking and barking!!! I was ready to go out and run around with them

but Mom ruined that right away, of course! She said I had to wait my turn to go into the show ring. (That's a little area with a fence around it.) Even worse, I had to wait in my crate (kind of a box with a door at one end) until then. I was annoyed about that- at home I never have to be in a crate; only visitor dogs do that. A while later Mom took me out and made me look spiffy; she combed and brushed me, and fixed my beard and eyebrows. I looked really good, I thought! I had to win looking this good! I did get bored waiting for so long. Finally Mom walked me to the show ring. It was almost time for my debut! At the ring there were other Scotties; I said hello to some, but others were snobby and ignored me. A lady with a loud voice said "Puppy Dogs 6-9 months into the ring". Into the ring Mom and I went, following another boy pup. I wasn't

*scared. I pranced right in and made friends with the other pup. We trotted around the ring; it was a loooooong way around for a little pup like me. My legs are kind of short! There was another tall, stranger lady all dressed in pink in the ring who seemed to be in charge. (She kept telling everyone what to do.) She had really pretty pink shoes and a pink hat too! She told Mom to set me up on a table, and then she prodded and poked at me, looked at my teeth, and touched me all over- even in my private areas! I wasn't sure I liked that, it was kind of rude. Then we trotted some more, and Mom played with me with a furry toy. I even found a little piece of liver on the floor that some other Scottie left behind. Yummo! Then the pink lady pointed at me and said "number one!" My Mom was really happy and said I won first place in my class. Out of the ring we went, but later had to go back in for "Winners Dog" judging. (That's when all the boys who were first in their class who aren't champions yet find out who is most handsomest.) I trotted really nice and flirted with the pink lady. I won, and earned my first point toward my championship and pretty blue and purple ribbons! I was proud!!! The next day we went to another dog show and I was the "best boy" again, and also the "Best of Opposite Sex". (Mom said that meant a girlie was picked the best non-champion Scottie, but I was the handsomest boy again.) Of course! Was there any doubt? I also earned another point toward my championship. **That's 2 points down, 13 more to go-** and then I will be a champion Scottish Terrier. Heck, this dog show stuff isn't so tough!*



The paparazzi were at my first dog show, too, and made a movie of me from a "dog's eye view".

[Click here to see my movie on YouTube!](#)

Countdown to a Championship

In our newsletter we've been following the story of Logan's little Scottie cousin as he tries to become a champion. As you read this month, he has now begun his dog show experience. We hope he will be entered at our STCTB Specialty Show in December, and that you will all come and see him compete! In upcoming newsletters we'll continue to update you on his progress toward earning his championship using this "countdown chart"!

Logan's cousin is competing in "conformation" dog shows. At each show his body build, coat, movement, and temperament will be compared to the official breed standard for Scottish Terriers approved by the Scottish Terrier Club of America (STCA). The judge at each dog show will consider how closely he meets the vision of the "ideal" Scottish Terrier described in that standard, from that judge's point of view. The Scotties that most closely meet the standard at each dog show will win ribbons, trophies and other awards, bragging rights, - and points toward their championship.



You can [review the breed standard](http://www.stca.biz) on the STCA website (www.stca.biz).

Logan's cousin will need to do each of these things to earn his AKC championship and the right to to put a **CH** in front of his name...

Completed	Championship Requirements Met <i>(Through 8-1-15)</i>	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Be registered with the AKC (American Kennel Club).	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Be at least 6 months old at the time of first dog show.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NOT be blind, deaf, castrated/spayed, or changed in appearance by artificial means except as allowed by breed standard, males- must have two testicles in scrotum.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Have NO disqualifications identified in the breed standard.	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Earn a total of 15 championship points, including at least 2 majors (3-5 points each) under two different judges, and at least 1 point under a judge other than those who awarded the majors.	
	Major win #1	
	Major win #2	
	1 point (Greater Daytona Dog Fanciers Club, 5-16-15). (1 st Puppy Dog 6-9, Winners Dog)	1
	1 point (Greater Daytona Dog Fanciers Club, 5-17-15). (1 st Puppy Dog 6-9, Winners Dog, Best of Opposite Sex)	1
	Other points...	
	Cummulative Point Earned to Date	2
<input type="checkbox"/>	Be officially recorded by the AKC and registered in the Stud Book.	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Championship certificate received.	

Congratulations Logan's cousin- and best of luck in your upcoming dog shows!





In Remembrance of Special Friends- Always in Our Hearts

'There is a bridge connecting Heaven and Earth. It is called the Rainbow Bridge because of its many colors.

Just this side of the Rainbow Bridge there is a land of meadows, hills and valleys with lush green grass.

When a beloved pet dies, the pet goes to this place. There is always food and water and warm spring weather. All the animals who have been ill and old are restored to health and vigor; those who were hurt or maimed are made whole and strong again, just as we remember them in our dreams of days and times gone by.

The animals are happy and content, except for one small thing; they each miss someone very special to them, who had to be left behind. They all run and play together, but the day comes when one suddenly stops and looks into the distance. Her bright eyes are intent; her eager body begins to quiver. Suddenly she begins to run from the group, flying over the green grass, her legs carrying her faster and faster. You have been spotted, and when you and your special friend finally meet, you cling together in joyous reunion. The happy kisses rain upon your face; your hands again caress the beloved head, and you look once more into the trusting eyes of your pet, so long gone from your life but never absent from your heart.

Then you cross the Rainbow Bridge together, never again to be separated.'

Author Unknown



CH Laurel's Kendall Jackson ("Kendall")

Went to the Rainbow Bridge
June 29, 2015
(Age 12 years)

Loved by Laurie, Dennis and Kim Slater

*Photo taken at the 2005 STCTB Specialty Show
where Kendall was named Winners Bitch.*



*Thorns may hurt you, men desert you, sunlight turn to fog;
but you're never friendless ever, if you have a dog.*

—Douglas Mallock



Shirley's Rescue Story

Contributed by Elizabeth Driscoll

July 2011 was a bittersweet month. I had just lost my Scottie Agnes, but soon after received a call from Janet (our Rescue Chairman) about a Scottie girl that needed to be fostered by someone with a medical background (I'm a nurse). I said "yes!", but had to suppress my laughter when told that her name was *Shirley*! Somewhat in disbelief, I went to the Orange County Animal Services website and verified that animal #A209160 was, indeed, a Scottie named Shirley. I later learned that 5 year old Shirley was a police seizure, removed from a neglectful home along with her pit bull companion. Shirley's previous owners had been given an ultimatum- sign the dogs over to Animal Control, or go to jail! Fortunately for Shirley, they signed!



Shirley was initially taken to Orange County Animal Services who contacted STCTB. (Sadly, our club dealt with *many* rescues in 2011 due to the long downturn in the economy.) At the shelter Shirley was spayed; there was evidence she had at least one litter of puppies. Club member Leslie Condoleo picked Shirley up at the shelter and took her to veterinarian Dr. Liz McGrath, then to a groomer to clean up what little hair she had. Leslie told me that when she gave Shirley a flea treatment so many dead fleas came off that she needed a vacuum to get them off the floor! Shirley was also treated for hookworms and skin, eye and ear infections.

Several days later my sister Jane and I met Leslie at the midpoint between our homes (Orlando for Leslie, Clearwater for me) so I could take Shirley home to foster. I distinctly remember opening the door to Shirley's crate just as she coughed and sneezed, flinging mucus into the air!!! Shirley had come down with kennel cough that morning. I was shocked to see the condition she was in, which was much like the animals on the television show *Animal Cops*. She was *very* underweight. She had some hair on her face but little on her body. Her skin was covered in sores and hung in folds on her legs. She was very, very weak. I was surprised she had survived her spay surgery considering her poor condition. Leslie handed me Shirley's long list of medications and care directions, and I put her into my vehicle and took her home.

I carried Shirley into my house and have to admit I felt hesitant to touch her much because of the sores and her poor health. I was also worried that my Scottie boy, Tater, could pick up something from her. When I put her on a leash she was so weak she couldn't even make it to the house next door. But, Shirley quickly won us over as she wagged her tail and was so happy! In spite of past abuse and multiple health concerns she was still a happy go lucky Scottie who loved people!

Later I took Shirley and Tater to my vet, Greg Masters D.V.M. Tater needed preventives for kennel cough, and Shirley needed more treatment. He was as shocked as I at Shirley's condition. He gave me a prescription shampoo to use to bathe her 3 times a week and treated her for tapeworm and other problems.

Over time Shirley once again became a healthy and happy Scottie. Shirley has one of the most endearing personalities of any Scottie I have ever met. She also became an amazing athlete once her strength returned. She is very food motivated and we learned not to leave anything food-related on the dining room table unattended and to rearrange furniture so she could not use it as a springboard to the top of the table!!!! I have had three different people tell me that me if anything ever happened to me they would take Shirley in a heartbeat!

In November of 2011 I entered Shirley in the St. Petersburg Times (now the Tampa Bay Times) newspaper's Tampa Bay's Cutest Pet Contest. To my great pleasure, Shirley was named the grand prize winner that year.

There are no words to express the amount of love Shirley has to give. She has brought so much joy to our family, and she really is our gift from Heaven. I thank God every day for the gift of Shirley.

Oh, and one more thing. This dog was named correctly. As it turns out, Shirley really *is* a good name for a Scottie!



Logan's Column...

My Scottie Adventures: Party! Party! Party!

(and a little about "Socialization")

Recently my sister Bristol and I were invited to a birthday party for our golden retriever friend Winterhaven. We never went to a dog birthday party before- but it sounded like fun! Mom told us we'd make new friends and enjoy special doggie treats. (Now *that* got us enthused- especially Bristol! She *loves* food!)

Mom explained that you have a "birthday" once a year, on the day that you were born (or "whelped" as they say for dogs), and that you get fancy treats and presents on that day. Mom and Dad celebrate birthdays that way- and sometimes we get special snacks on our own birthday. (That's June 2nd, by the way, in case anyone wants to send us presents next year.) She said it was expected that we take Winterhaven a birthday present; we talked it over and decided to give her a couple of our most *favorite*st treats... the biggest cow ear and Moozle (beef nosey) we could find in our stash! Mom put them in a pretty gift bag. We also got bathed and clipped to look our best (that was the yucky part).

On the party day off I went in Dad's golf cart (he drove!) to visit Winterhaven, who lives a couple streets away. She ran up to greet me at the gate; so did other guests who had arrived earlier. They were all kind of funny looking... and there was not another Scottie in the bunch! Mom told us what kind of dogs they were... golden retriever, labrador retriever, bichon, dauschaund, yorkie... and there was even one she called a "Heinz 57". (She said that meant no one knew what kind of dog his mommy or daddy were! Now, that is *weird* we thought- but kind of fun.)

Mom said the party would be a good "socialization" experience for me. What is "socialization" I asked!? If you are wondering, too, here's a definition Mom thought was a good one: "(Dog) socialization is learning and maintaining acceptable behavior in any situation, especially when they would rather not. It is learning to handle any experience they will normally encounter throughout their life without becoming fearful, overly stimulated, reactive or aggressive." (Starr Ladehoff www.dogbehaviorblog.com/2012/03). Mom said I don't warm up to strange people very quickly, but that I love to play with other dogs.



Well, after all, the class was in a big, noisy building... and there were these doors that hissed and flew open when you walked too close to them. What the heck!? And, there was the time I almost failed obedience class because I kept barking and lunging at all those big dogs. Then, too, there were those times I growled ferociously at that man who insisted on sneaking into our house every morning. As far as I was concerned, he had *no* business coming into our house like that! Eventually Mom convinced me it really *was* just my Daddy coming home from



Well, I was a little insulted about her comment, because I am now a *big* boy! That scardy-cat stuff is just for baby puppies! When I was *much* younger, before I became a grown up boy, I was... *maybe*... a little "*reluctant*" around strangers. OK, OK, I admit there might be *some* truth to those stories Mom tells! Like the first time she took me to Petco for a class, and I spent the entire time hiding under her chair, shaking. I wouldn't even come out for a treat.



work, using lots of encouragement, treats when I acted friendly and- she called it- positive reinforcement for behaving and being nice to the man!!! (Actually he had to “bribe” his way into the house every morning for several weeks with a trail of treats, Dad says.) But, who could blame a pup for a mistake like that... I was just protecting my Mom, after all!

When I got a little bigger Mom took me back to Petco for “puppy playtime” (kind of a *free-for-all* where a whole bunch of pups got to run around and play together) and soon I was the ringleader for all the chase games! The other pups had to run really fast to catch me! Mom also took me in and out, and in and out, of those hissing doors at the store; after a little practice I walked up confidently to them one day and marched right through! She and Dad also took me for long walks at the local college, and she taught me how to go up and down stairs, and walk on pavement- blacktop-sand-mulch-wire grates, to say hello to strangers, and to behave myself on the leash even when I really wanted to chase the ducks or squirrels.



Well, at Winderhaven’s party I definitely showed Mom and Dad how well socialized I am *now*. Mom let me off my leash in the yard and off I



went exploring with my new dog friends! I went up to all the dogs and said hello and ran around the yard with them- even the big dogs! I explored the lanai (where the food was) and the pool. Winterhaven jumped in the pool with some of her big dog friends; I plopped down in a nice water puddle on the deck to cool my belly off, then decided to visit the people instead. I made my way around the pool, hopping up into the lap of each person sitting there in turn. (I’m not too sure the lady in the white outfit was happy when I landed in her lap- but she petted me anyway. After all, I *am* adorable- wet *or* dry!) Did I know any of the people? Heck no! My Mom got that funny shocked look on her face again (the same one she had at the earth dog trial I told you about last time). But, then she started to laugh- and later gave me a big snuggle and told me how proud she was of me!



We did lots of fun things at the party. We played tag and tug of war. We rolled in the grass.



We sneaked little people food snacks (the bits of cheese, shrimp and strawberries were my favorites). We even got to eat our very own doggie birthday cakes. Mom said “no way will Logan eat that whole thing!” Well, I surprised her and ate the whole thing! Burp!!! And, Winterhaven sent each of us home with a goody bag of toys and treats at the end of the day.

I made lots of new friends that day, but my favorite was Louie. Louie is really funny looking; he’s the one Mom called a “Heinz 57”.

Although we had never met before we are now best buddies. This is a picture of me and Louie lounging in a chair, poolside. Mom said we were “recharging”.

I had such a good time at the party! My Mom is still bragging about me to her Scottie friends and telling them that, with exposure to opportunities to try new things, meet new people and dogs, and have different experiences their boy Scotties could grow up to be nice little gentlemen just like me!



Editor’s Note: Calling all Scotties! Let me know about your exploits, and I might publish your story!

Logan

Speaking of parties, fess up!
Whose Scottie inspired this ban?

(Sign photographed at a park, from a posting on
aol.com. Author unknown)



We recently received this note of thanks from the Scottish Terrier Rescue of the Southeast...



Dear Laurie, Janet, Leslie
and members of the Scottish
Tervier Club of Tampa Bay.

On behalf of the volunteers with
Scottish Terrier Rescue of the Southeast,
I wish to thank you for your
donation. Donations allow us
to provide needed vet care to
the Scotties that come into rescue.
Again, thank you.

Sandra Houser
Treasurer
Scottish Terrier Rescue
of the Southeast



The Tribune. TBO.com Tuesday, July 22, 2014.

Make Homemade “Faux” Frosty Paws Treats for Your Scotties!

Source: [Big Dog Boutique](#)

“Because dogs have trouble digesting the lactose in ice cream, it isn't a fun treat for dogs at all! However, we have several recipes we've tested that take all the fun of ice cream and make it into a safe treat you can make for or even share with your dog! One of our favorite Frosty Paws recipes (and the go-to recipe if you are trying to copy the commercial treat called Frosty Paws) is:

32 oz. plain yogurt
1 mashed banana

2 Tablespoons peanut butter
2 Tablespoons honey

1. Mix all these ingredients in your blender, then pour into ice cube trays or even a Kong toy to freeze and serve. Be sure the mold you freeze your treat into is either 1. large enough that your dog won't be able to swallow it whole when frozen solid. or 2. Shaped, like our bone ice cube trays, with slender sections so it can be crunched easier.

2. If you want to go all out...you can freeze these homemade frosty paws just like you would homemade ice cream. A salt-less automatic ice cream maker makes this as easy as using any other appliance in your home and the frosty paws will be ready to serve in 10 minutes.

For the ultimate treat, appropriate for dessert at a doggy birthday party, follow steps one and two, then take the mostly frozen dog ice cream product of number two and spread it about 1.5 inches thick on wax paper. Freeze for 5-10 minutes and then remove from freezer. Next, use a paw shaped cookie cutter to cut a paw shaped “frosty paws”, remove ice cream around edges, and return paw shapes to the freezer to freeze solid.

- Typical Ice Cream includes dairy (milk or cream), eggs, and sugar. When making frosty paws (a dog friendly alternative to ice cream) you'll want to substitute most of those items:
- Yogurt is a safe substitute for milk. The probiotics are great for your dog's digestive health, and this "good bacteria" breaks down most of the lactose by the time the yogurt is served.
- Sugar is not safe for dogs, but bananas, berries, apples, and other dog safe fruits can substitute in to make a sweet treat for your dog. A small amount of honey can sweeten the frosty paws while still being healthy for your dog- and is a great way to make the treat a favorite of pets AND kids! Keep in mind that your dog won't mind if the ice cream isn't sweet. Savory flavors can be added with low sodium chicken or beef broth, peanut butter, or even (if you are brave enough to prepare it!) liver.”
- Eggs- Dogs love eggs, and eggs are a fantastic nutritious treat. If you blend your Dog Ice Cream, toss a raw egg in the blender! (If your eggs are organic- include the shell for a boost of calcium that mimics what your pet would get by crunching raw bones in nature- although some dogs may object to the texture of this addition.)”

More STCTB Memories

In the 1980's Pete Clay asked me if I thought we could get a new Scotty Club started as the Miami Club was no longer active and STCA was encouraging formation of a new club in Florida.

Pete got in touch with Jackie Seelbach, who had been in STCA for many years. Although she lived in New Jersey she consented to be our mentor, and walked us through all the AKC applications and paper work so we were able to qualify for club status in record time!

Pete was our first President and I was Show Chairman, with much guidance from Pete. We held our first show in Lakeland at the Lakeland Civic Center in conjunction with the Combined Specialties Clubs of Florida. Our first Judge was Elaine Young from Washington state. If I remember right we had about 30 entries; everybody said that was great for our first show!

That was the beginning of our club. Each year we grew a little more and had some very famous breeders judge through out the years. I was Show Chairman for 10 years. I remember that the first year I was so nervous I stood at ring side during the whole show with my knees locked in place, ha! In spite of it, everything went off without a hitch and we were on our way.

Hope this helps some of you with a little back ground, more to follow next time.

Betty Lavers

Editor's note: Betty Lavers is a founding member of STCTB.

Thistle 'N That *STC of Tampa Bay*

Bonnie Dalbey, Editor, 2824 Falling Leaves Dr., Valrico, FL 33594 and Robbie Van Nortwick.

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Well we did it! Our first Specialty held on January 6, 1992 is now history. Everything went off very well. We had a total of 38 entries with a four point major in bitches and a five point major in dogs. However, it was a very sad time for us with the death of Pete Clay, our co-founder of the club. I want to thank our Judges Carole Fry Owen, Sweepstakes, and Elaine Young, Regular classes, who did an excellent job. The following are the results.

SWEEPSTAKES

BEST IN SWEEPSTAKES - Anstamm Short Wave, owned by Anstamm Kennels

BEST OF OPPOSITE SEX - Boldmere Shake 'N Bake, owned by Lois S. Bolding

REGULAR CLASSES

6 - 9 Puppy Dogs

Boldmere Shake 'N Bake, owned by Lois Bolding

Bred by Exhibitor Dogs

Siol Ailpein's Calum Dubh, owned by Susan Riches & Sonya Neve

American Bred Dogs

Snowbank Desert Shield, owned by Steven & Bonnie Dalbey

Open Dogs

Greggor Hill Gray Flannel, owned by Sonya Neve & R.D.Krels

WINNERS DOG

Greggor Hill Gray Flannel

RESERVE WINNERS DOG

Quercus Is It Time, owned by Thelma Wilson

6 - 9 Puppy Bitches

Boldmere Climbing The Walls, owned by Lois Bolding

Bred By Exhibitor Bitches

Anstamm Short Wave, owned by Anstamm Kennels

Open Bitches

Victory Scotch Persephone, owned by Jean Palmer Daley

WINNERS BITCH

Anstamm Short Wave

RESERVE WINNERS BITCH

Victory Scotch Persephone

BEST OF BREED

Ch. Hopscotch Heads We Win, owned by Marg Moran McQuinn

BEST OF WINNERS

Anstamm Short Wave

BEST OF OPPOSITE SEX

Ch. Duff-De Lord James, owned by William Kamal & Bill De Villeneuve

We were very pleased to have Jackie Seelbach attend our Specialty and give us some encouragement and direction for the future.

Our boutique was a big success, with BOTH raffles going to Ruth Johnson. Congratulations Ruth!

As you can see above, we have two new editors of the Thistle 'N That replacing Pete Clay and Bonnie Lamphear. She felt it was time to step down and let someone else take over for awhile. We will miss her quick wit and excellent articles.

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Per Janet Tomlinson, Historian, STCA

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LOST STCA HISTORY

Dear Member,

Although the STCA has some records, photos, old magazines articles, etc., more of these precious pieces of history are being lost by the day!

While searching for photos of all the STCA Best of Breed winners I was surprised and appalled at the few results I came to find. So much of our history has been destroyed by the unknowing or uncaring. How sad to be one of the oldest breed clubs and have so very little of our past. We can do something...NOW!

Wanted:

- Old photos of Scottish Terrier Champions with their names
- Older photos or snapshots of STCA members/officers
- Articles from publications (other than The Bagpiper)
- Catalogs (especially the STCA and Regional Specialty Shows)
- Stud cards
- Pedigrees of Champions
- STCA Membership Rosters and STCTB Membership Rosters
- STCA Handbooks

Those of you who were present at the Montgomery County Banquet last year were really interested in the photos that were presented at the Historian Table. Imagine being able to have all of these and much, much more available on CD! This project has begun!

If you possess any of the above, or any other historical item, please consider donating them to the STCA. If you do not wish to donate at this time, please, please consider LOANING them for the purpose of scanning the information for our records. All loaned material will be CAREFULLY handled, and returned in the same condition as loaned.

Please contact me with anything you are willing to donate OR loan for scanning.

All contributions will be acknowledged in The Historian Library at STCA.biz

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Editor's Note: Miss Janet... I'm not sure what a "stud card" is, but a cute Scottie girl once told me I was quite a *stud*! Do you want my picture for your project?

Logan



Health and Safety Features...

Beware of the Bufo Toad!

By Janet Tomlinson, Wellington, FL



The toad pictured is known as the bufo toad (or cane toad, or *bufo marinus*). It was brought into Florida by the sugar barons from South America, where it has flourished with no known enemies other than the occasional unwitting snake who will be in trouble from its poison if it chooses to make a meal of it and, of course, man.

This toad can excrete enough poison to kill a small two-year old child. It definitely can and has killed many a dog who has mouthed and/or bitten into it. My vet tells me there is no known antidote – either your dog lives, or dies.

If your dog comes in contact with the poison (which is emitted as a foam and turns to clear liquid right away which is hard to see) immediately grab the hose and turn it into your dog's mouth from the side and rinse vigorously, using your hand to help wash off the poison. If you are lucky enough to have a pool there, dunk your dog's head in the pool and use your hand to rub all of the mouth area. Do this fast! Don't wait around thinking! Have a plan *in advance*.

Back in the 80's, it was early in the morning and one of the dogs kept barking and refused to go into the yard. The yard was not fenced and we lived on the waterfront. The grass had not been mowed in a while and was rather long. Looking out into the yard, we saw why the dog was barking frantically- there was a water moccasin over five feet long with a bufo toad in its mouth. Both creatures are poisonous and the poisons had joined together turning the toad a bright yellow. That was the only reason we saw them!

We were able to kill the snake, because his mouth was full and he was paralyzed from the poison from the toad. We then called the homeowners association telling them they had to cut the grass as it was dangerous. We hung the dead snake in the only tree in the yard to show the children. Later that day, the lawn crew cut everyone's grass but ours. When we questioned why we were told we had to remove the "voodoo" (the snake!) before the workers would enter our yard. That was a scary experience! We were lucky the snake got the bufo toad and not one of our dogs, or our dogs the toad! Check your yard before you let your dog out. It will probably be too late if your dog gets hold of a bufo toad.

We now have white metal fencing with 2 ½ inch spaced bars, which had to be approved by the homeowners association. We covered this fencing with a wire mesh which has very small holes, about ¼ inch. It comes in rolls and is approximately 3 feet tall. (You can find it at Lowes.) It was easily installed using the plastic hand-cuff type ties and we were very pleased with how nice it looked when we were finished. We then sunk bricks on their sides down in the ground at the bottom, to help keep the toads out and help with weed whacking. We also took fresh, unused, coffee grounds and spread them around the perimeter on the outside of the fencing at the suggestion of a neighbor who said they would help repel toads.



We have not had any toads since, except one the size of a baby finger fingernail which got through the fence at the gate and was easily disposed of- and that was *before* we tried the coffee grounds. Since laying down the coffee we have not had *any* toads in the fenced area of the yard- apparently, they don't like the smell of it. We have actually seen a toad go in the other direction when he got close to the coffee grounds. (We bought a large bag of "unused" coffee at Costco for this purpose- it was the cheapest.

Here's another tip. Do you have those little centipedes in your yard that are gray and curl into a ball? Put a wet string-type mop outside your door at night. In the morning, the mop will be filled with centipedes. Fill your laundry tub with the hottest water possible and/or boil a kettle and pour in. Put the mop into it and the centipedes die instantaneously and then go down the drain never to be seen again!

Take the Bufo Toad Challenge!

1. First, review these resources below to learn more about the bufo.
2. Then, take a look at Logan's toad in the story below and decide if it is a "friend" (i.e. a safe backyard toad) or a "foe" (a poisonous bufo toad).
3. Finally, check your answer on the bottom of page 26 to see if you were correct!

Florida Wildlife Extension

Learn much more about the bufo toad by visiting the [Florida Wildlife Extension](#) site. Included on the site are excellent photos to assist in identification, information about the life cycle of the bufo, a tape of the call of the bufo toad... and much more.

ABC Action News report (9-26-13) video from WFTS Tampa Bay

The video describes the dangers of the bufo toad and symptoms associated with contact with the toad, as well as treatment should a pet encounter a bufo. It also includes pictures of the bufo. [Click here to see the full video report](#)

Logan's Toad

Hi everyone! This is Logan, your editor. I admit it, I'm a wildlife watcher! Fish, lizards, cats, toads, snakes... you name it, I watch 'em. (And, if they happen to move, I chase and usually catch them!) Well, Mom asked me to tell you about *my* toad. He lives in my backyard. Just about every night he sneaks out of his daytime hiding place onto the sidewalk right outside our lanai. I see him when I go out for my last potty-trip of the evening before bed. He *is* bold (or stupid?) for a toad. He will sit right there staring at me... just daring me to come and get him. He doesn't try to hop away when I run up to him which, we all know, is kind of dumb move since I *am* a Scottie, skilled at ridding the yard of vermin like *him*! Every night it's the same thing... I run up to him and get ready to pounce. Then, Mom says (*really loud!*) "leave it"!!! (That means I can't bite him or anything. She says if I licked or bit him I could get sick.) Sigh. All she *will* let me do is flip him over with my paw; I *do* kind of enjoy that- he looks really funny upside down with his fat belly.

Anyway, here are some pictures of my backyard toad. (Yes, my Mom was actually out in the backyard with her camera one night taking his picture!) Check him over and decide if he is a dangerous bufo toad, or just a good 'ole southern yard toad! (The correct answer is on the bottom of page 26 of the newsletter.)

Logan



Concerns About Nylabone

FOOD RECALL

NYLABONE PUPPY STARTER KIT RECALLED DUE TO POSSIBLE SALMONELLA HEALTH RISK

April 22, 2015 - TFH Publications, Inc./

Nylabone Products of Neptune, NJ is recalling one lot of its 1.69 oz. package of the Puppy Starter Kit dog chews, because they have the potential to be contaminated with *Salmonella*. The recalled Puppy Starter Kit consists of one lot of dog chews that were distributed nationwide, to Canada, and through one domestic online mail order facility. The product comes in a 1.69oz. package marked with Lot #21935, UPC 0-18214-81291-3, located on the back of the package, and with an expiration date of 3/22/18 also stamped on the back of the package. The potential for contamination was noted after routine testing by the company revealed the presence of Salmonella in one lot of 1.69 oz. packages of the Puppy Starter Kit. No illnesses have been reported to date in connection with this problem.



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Ainsley's Nylabone Event

By Janet Tomlinson, Wellington, FL

I was enjoying reading [The Plaid Piper – May/June 2015 issue](#) when I came across a story by Susan Hamman, Sequim, WA, titled "Skyler's Nylabone Event" (page 13). It brought to mind a story about Nylabone and our five-year-old Scottie, Ainsley.

Over the years, I have had many dogs, many different breeds, from Dobermans, Pit Bulls, Golden Retrievers, mixed Rescues, Westies, Great Danes, to German Shepherds, to Scotties. I have found Scotties to have the most powerful jaws of *all* the dogs I've shared a roof with. Surprisingly, of all the aforementioned, and all the Nylabones I've purchased, none of them showed much interest in the Nylabones.

Recently, while shopping for something new and exciting for our Westies and Scottie, I came across a completely new-style Nylabone. It is shaped like a bone, but the one end unscrews and there are discs that slide off. You place "made in the USA" chewy discs in between the Nylabone discs and slide them back on the dowel and screw the end back on. The center discs had bristles like a tooth brush, up against the chewy discs. (The Nylabone pictured is a newer version that does not have the bristles.) This Nylabone is advertised as being able to clean your dogs' teeth. And because of the chewy discs, made from crunched up rawhide-looking material, they are very appealing to all of our dogs. They get very excited by them and fight over them like no other toy in their toy box. Or, I should say, they *did*. We have removed them permanently.



My husband, who I will now refer to as Eagle-Eye Chuck spotted something that looked like plastic on the floor. It was the bristles from one of the bones we had purchased for our dogs. Those bristles were a little over one-half inch long and were like needles or spikes. We were frantic! If one of those needle-like plastic pieces had been swallowed and pierced the stomach wall or intestines, which due to their sharpness was a distinct possibility, we were in trouble. We gathered up the remaining bones and examined them for missing pieces, counting the bristles and comparing. We were lucky! Nothing had been swallowed. *No* missing pieces. *No* more Nylabones- **ever!**

Answer to the Burro Toad Challenge. Is Logan's toad a friend or foe?
Friend - a plain ole yard toad! Check the crests on his head for a big clue.

Hornets and Snakes and Spiders- Oh My!

Hornets and Snakes and Spiders-Oh My! Protecting Your Dog from Things That Bite or Sting.

This excellent article, written by Norine Dworkin, was initially published in the AKC Gazette (April 1996 Vol. 113, No. 4). It is still very informative today is worth your time to review!

Examples of the topics included in the article are:

- Types of insect and reptile-related hazards dogs may encounter.
- A list of illnesses that you can get from a dog.
- A guide to preventing and treating bites and stings, as well as for removing ticks.
- 6 things *not* to do for snakebite.

[Click here to download the full article!](#)



Can My Dog Get Heatstroke?

Recently published on the *Dogs Naturally* website is an outstanding overview of the issue of heatstroke in dogs written by Jessica Peralty in *Holistic Care*. Get insight into these questions:

- How do I know if my dog has heatstroke?
- What signs do I look for?
- What do I do?

[Click here to read the full article.](#)



Change.org Petition Seeks to Pass a New Florida Law to Protect Pets Left in Cars

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Pass Florida Law to Protect Pets Left in Cars



Pets across the state of Florida and nationwide die every year from heatstroke after being confined in an unattended vehicle. Many of these deaths go unreported. It's a cruel, senseless, way for any living being to

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Video- The Best Way to Remove a Tick

This short video outlines the proper process to follow to remove a tick using a pair of fine-tipped tweezers. Although it demonstrates this process in humans, the technique should also work just as well for dogs!

[Click here to watch the video.](#)

Florida's Only Veterinary College, University of Florida Animal Health Podcasts

Florida's only college of veterinary medicine is located at the University of Florida (UF) at Gainesville. Housed there is the UF Small Animal Hospital. It is open to receive emergency patients 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Your pet can be referred to UF Small Animal Hospital by your regular veterinarian, or you can come without a referral.

UF Small Animal Hospital (Gainesville, FL)

Call (352) 392-2235 (after 5pm Monday-Friday, on weekends, and on holidays your call will be forwarded to the emergency vet on duty)

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[Click here to learn more about UF Small Animal Hospital emergency services.](#)

[Click here to explore UF's daily informational radio broadcast "Animal Airwaves" and live call-in show](#)

Breaking News! New Test Available for Leptospirosis

Janet Tomlinson shared a link to an important item on Leptospirosis, a potentially deadly and highly contagious bacterial infection that dogs can acquire through contact with contaminated soil or water. Many wild animals carry this bacteria and infect areas frequented by domestic animals. Leptospirosis can result in kidney and liver failure. Vaccinations are available to protect against Leptospirosis, but they are not 100% effective against the several strains of the disease.

The tests traditionally used to diagnose presence of Leptospirosis take several weeks to confirm the disease; during the waiting period for the results to be returned a dog could suffer severe health consequences or die.

A new diagnostic tool for Leptospirosis is now available called the [SNAP® Lepto Test](#). It can be performed right in your local veterinarian's office yielding results in approximately 10 minutes.

[Read the article from AKC News \(July 7, 2015\) by clicking here.](#)



Can your dog safely eat these fruits?	
Apples 	Safe for dogs to eat? Yes, unless a large amount of seeds are ingested <small>Dr. Edward Cooper, VMD</small>
Avocados 	Safe for dogs to eat? No, can result in vomiting <small>Dr. Sherry Sanderson, DVM</small>
Bananas 	Safe for dogs to eat? Yes
Blueberries 	Safe for dogs to eat? Yes
Cherries 	Safe for dogs to eat? No, can cause cyanide toxicity in large quantities <small>Dr. Edward Cooper, VMD</small>
Grapes 	Safe for dogs to eat? No, can cause kidney failure
Kiwis 	Safe for dogs to eat? Yes

WHICH FRUITS CAN YOUR DOG SAFELY EAT? Top veterinarians answer the question

By Mr. Clint Davis, E.W. Scripps National Desk, with permission

Dogs will eat pretty much anything that falls in front of them. For pet owners, that can be a scary reality.

Many people know the dangers of a dog snacking on dark chocolate, certain flowers or other common items that can be toxic. But what about fruits?

We reached out to a pair of experts from two of the nation's top veterinary medicine schools — Dr. Sherry Sanderson of the University of Georgia and Dr. Edward Cooper of the Ohio State University — asking them which common fruits were safe for a dog to eat and which ones they should avoid.

Sanderson was quick to point out that most commonly eaten fruits are fine for dogs to eat sparingly. "Where I have concerns is if pet owners want to give large quantities of these fruits to their dogs. If they get carried away with doing that, they could disrupt the nutrient balance of a complete and balanced commercial diet," she said.

Sanderson recommended that pet owners limit treat intake to less than 10 percent of the dog's daily caloric intake.

Both of the doctors agreed on which fruits were most dangerous for dogs — noting that grapes and raisins may cause kidney failure — as well as the ones that were safe for consumption. Their major difference came in discussing lemons.

Both experts agreed that lemons were generally safe for dogs to eat but Sanderson said she would avoid giving them to a pet, "out of kindness." Meanwhile, Cooper joked that it "can be fun to watch their reaction to the bitterness."

[See left/right above for] the full list of fruits we asked the doctors about.

Can your dog safely eat these fruits?	
Lemons 	Safe for dogs to eat? Yes, plus fun to watch their reaction to the bitterness <small>Dr. Edward Cooper, VMD</small>
Oranges 	Safe for dogs to eat? Yes <small>Dr. Edward Cooper, VMD</small>
Peaches 	Safe for dogs to eat? Yes, except the pit may cause intestinal blockage <small>Dr. Edward Cooper, VMD</small>
Pineapples 	Safe for dogs to eat? Yes
Raisins 	Safe for dogs to eat? No, can cause kidney failure <small>Dr. Edward Cooper, VMD</small>
Strawberries 	Safe for dogs to eat? Yes <small>Dr. Edward Cooper, VMD</small>
Watermelon 	Safe for dogs to eat? Yes, except for the rind, which could cause intestinal obstruction <small>Dr. Edward Cooper, VMD</small>

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For related information check out this article at woofipedia.com (AKC)



'PAWS' BEFORE FEEDING

Do you know which human foods are safe for your pet? Refer to this handy guide for a breakdown of safe and unsafe common kitchen staples, and when in doubt, consult your veterinarian.

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New Scottie Family Member Announcements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Call/registered name of the new Scottie. • How and when the new member came to you. • The age, sex and color of the new member, pictures– and anything else you want to share!
Scottie STARS Announcements (Successes, Triumphs, Accolades, Records, Sensations!) <i>Examples: show ring wins, new titles, new champions, special awards or accomplishments of dogs or their owners, etc.</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Who was involved (human and/or Scottie). • Event details- when and where it occurred. • Other information that helps to describe the event. • Pictures if available! We all love pictures!
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We look forward to hearing from you!



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- a. To encourage and promote quality in the breeding of purebred Scottish Terriers and to do all possible to bring their natural qualities to perfection;
b. To urge members and breeders to accept the standard of the breed as approved by The American Kennel Club as the only standard of excellence by which Scottish Terriers shall be judged;
c. To do all in its power to protect and advance the interests of the breed by encouraging sportsmanlike competition at dog shows and obedience trials;
d. To conduct sanctioned, licensed specialty shows and obedience trials under the rules of The American Kennel Club.

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Editor's Note: We hope you enjoyed this newsletter! Now I'm tired, and am off to take a nice nap! Ahhhh... a pile of nice clean warm towels- fresh from the dryer! Perfect!

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