

SERVICE Counts!

STCTB encourages member involvement in community service. We are excited to announce our new program to recognize member involvement in service projects.

Program Highlights

Join other Scottie and dog lovers in projects that benefit pets- and your local community. Support efforts to help ensure the longevity and health of the Scottish Terrier breed.

Get involved and enjoy the satisfaction that helping others brings!

Annual club recognition and awards.

Earn service credits for the program in any of these categories!

A few examples are provided for each... we encourage you to be creative and develop your own ideas!!

Service to Your Local Community *Some examples:*

- Volunteer at a shelter
- Help with a pet adoption day
- Assist a dog club or 4H program with training classes, shows or events
- Organize a pet food and supply drive for a shelter, rescue, or homeless project
- Host a fundraiser for a shelter or rescue
- Participate in a dog walk activity to support a cause of your interest
- Foster (or adopt) a shelter dog
- Exercise or train shelter dogs
- Certify your Scottie as a therapy dog and visit schools, nursing homes/hospitals
- Engage with other dog owners in projects of general benefit to the community (Great American Clean Up, Earth Day, etc.)

Service to the Scottie Community (Via STCTB, STCA, STROF, HCTF, AKC, etc.) Some examples:

- Volunteer with STCTB
- Volunteer with Scottish Terrier Rescue of Florida (STROF)
- Take training classes with your Scottie; earn a Canine Good Citizen (CGG) title
- Attend educational workshops on dog health, nutrition, training, etc.
- Participate in the AKC Fit Dog Program
- Join the STCA
- Support the STCA Health Trust Fund; enroll your dog in the STCA DNA bank, the CHIC registry and/or the Pedigree Database
- Participate in letter-writing campaigns in response to dog-specific legislation
- Increase visibility of Scotties in the community by taking yours to a Scottish parade, a dog festival or other pet-focused events

Service to Our Members (Each Other) Some examples:

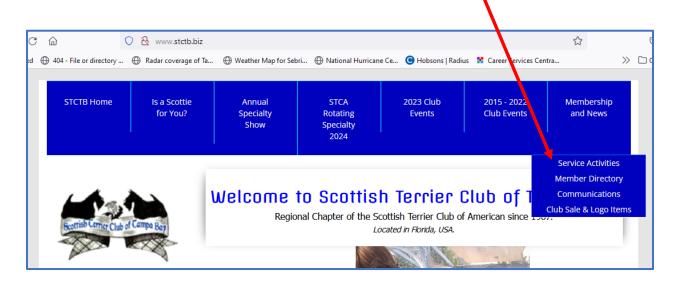
- Form an AKC Fit Dog Club with other Scottie and dog owners in your area; organize Fit Dog walks or classes
- Develop and share lists of resources
- Provide educational materials and/or teach workshops on pet care topics
- Share information about new advances in dog health and wellness
- Mentor other members (new puppy socialization, grooming, conformation, obedience/dog sports, breeding, therapy dog work, service dog training)
- Reach out in friendship to members experiencing challenges (a card or encouraging word goes a long way!)
- Share "success stories" about your involvement in service projects

Service activities completed by STCTB members and their Scotties will be catalogued, summarized, and recognized each year at the STCTB Annual Meeting. Watch for details- coming soon!



Learn More About Service Opportunities Document Your Participation in Service Activities

A sub-page has been created on the STCTB website, under the Membership and News tab, to promote Service Activities. Upcoming events of interest, links to resources, and photos of recent STCTB member involvement in service will be highlighted on that page. A brief online form is also included there for members to use to document their service.



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The Service Committee needs members! Please contact Colleen Rafatti to get involved.