



# Scott's Chatter

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## *President's Message*

Hello Members,

I first want to say that we have the best club in America. You, the Members, are why the club is the best. From putting on the best specialty to our rescue program. We all work hard at any event that we host.

This year is no different. Our specialty was world class. We are doing something new in August that I'm looking forward to. Our club will be sponsoring a movie day on August 8 in Miamisburg, Ohio. After the movie, we will be meeting at Bennetts restaurant just down the street for lunch and a short meeting. Details to follow. Then on September 20, we have a park reservation in Springboro, Ohio for a picnic. Details to follow.

Mark those dates on your calendar and I hope to see you there.

God bless you and keep your pups healthy and safe.

Gary,  
STCGD President

## STCGD Hosts Successful Specialty

The STCGD membership came together to host another successful Specialty weekend. A heartfelt “Thank you” goes out to all the members that donated their time, talents, and financial support to make our 2026 shows a success. From the cookie bakers to the clean-up crew – we could not have done it without you! Cheryl Bates spent a significant amount of time working with Chris from Eager Dog to get our entry platform in place and running smoothly. Peggy Pearce once again came up with the theme and wonderful original artwork for the Specialty. Sue Call did a great job curating our prizes. Kim Stroede stepped up to take care of class sponsorships and keep track of banquet reservations. Jim Jackson and company made sure the venue was set up early, Angie Anastasia got the tablecloths done in a snap, Janet Cocker brought the beautiful flowers and plants and just like that Dayton Dog Training Club was ready to welcome exhibitors. Janet Cocker, with the help of Kari Hill, took the boutique sales online. Marcia Dawson and Lee Ann Whaley were the perfect ring steward tag team to call exhibitors in and record the results. Denyse Marshall made the arrangements with the University of Dayton catering, who prepared a lovely meal for those that attended the banquet. Tara Greaney entertained Nancy Hurren, our Sweepstakes Judge on Friday evening. Marcie Kelsay set up a festive Taco bar (even though it wasn’t Tuesday) for lunch on Saturday. I am sure that I have missed a few, but your help did not go unnoticed or unappreciated during the event.

Finally, all three of our Judges (Lisa Hills, Nancy Hurren, and Joseph Kinnarney, DVM) did a fantastic job. Also, all three Judges shared what a “special” specialty that we hosted and what a great line-up of Scottish Terriers that they had to go over. Lisa Hills sent a lovely Thank You card, which was written on a card that she received from the club in 2014. A PDF of the card will be hosted on the STCGD Website for all to enjoy.

### **Results:**

Friday March 27, 2026, 4–6-month Beginner Puppy Judge: Lisa Hills

Best of Breed - HIQ's There's No Crying In Baseball, Owners: Hess, Regina / Gerstner, Lisa.

Friday March 27, 2026, 4th Independent Specialty Judge: Lisa Hills

Winner’s Dog: GlenKinch Late Night Show at Rose’s Owner: Rose, Jean

Reserve Winner’s Dog: Charthill Maylark Victory Owners: Hill, Kari / Maynard, Miranda

Winner's Bitch and Best of Winners: Wild Wind Desert Sand Owner: Lindsay, Marilyn / Lindsay, Kimberly / Lindsay, Edwin.

Reserve Winner's Bitch: Capstone Little Miss Sunshine TKI Owner: Collini, Amy

Best of Breed & Best Owner Handler: GCHB Charthill Double Eyed Whammy FDC, TT Owners: Hill, Kari / Moreno, Jamie

Best of Opposite Sex: GCH CH Rose's Don't Stop Me Now Owner: Rose, Jean / Dawson, Geoff.

Select Dog: GCH Woburn Image Maker Owners: Russell, Debra / Russell, Steve.

Select Bitch: GCHB Charthill Tourmaline Owner: Hill, Kari

Award of Merit: CH HIQ's Something Just Like This Owners: Gamble, Christina / Hess, Regina / Gerstner, Lisa

Saturday Puppy Sweepstakes, Judge Nancy Hurren

Best Puppy in Sweepstakes: Charthill Maylark Harlequin Victory, Owners: Hill, Kari / Maynard, Miranda

Best of Opposite Sex in Puppy Sweepstakes: HIQ's Whatever Comes My Way Owners: Hess, Regina / Gerstner, Lisa / Gamble, Christina

Saturday March 28, 2026, 48th Independent Specialty Judge: Dr Joseph Kinnarney

Winner's Dog: HIQ's Whatever Comes My Way Owner: Hess, Regina / Gerstner, Lisa / Gamble, Christina

Reserve Winner's Dog: GlenKinch Late Night Show at Rose's Owner: Rose, Jean

Winner's Bitch & Best of Winners: Capstone Little Miss Sunshine TKI Owner: Collini, Amy

Reserve Winner's Bitch: Benscot The Devil Came Back To Georgia Owner: Fales, Annabelle / Hernandez, Elizabeth

Best of Breed: GCHB Charthill Tourmaline Owner: Hill, Kari

Best of Opposite Sex & Best Owner Handler: GCHB Charthill Double Eyed Whammy FDC, TT Owners: Hill, Kari / Moreno, Jamie

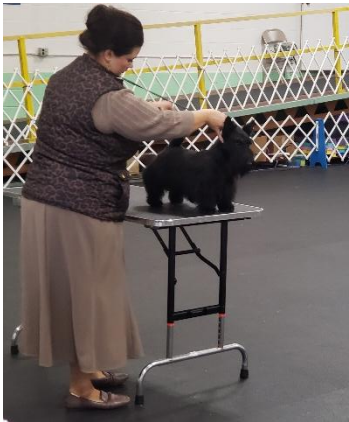
Select Dog: CH Woburn Life Is Good Owners: Russell, Debra / Russell, Steve

Select Bitch: CH Asgardian Warrior To Valhalla Owner: Hess, Regina

Award of Merit: GCH Woburn Image Maker Owners: Russell, Debra / Russell, Steve.

*Submitted by Beth Firulli, Corresponding Secretary*

# STCGD Hosts Successful Specialty



## *Is the “pick” of the litter the “best” puppy?*

The phrase “pick of the litter” sounds like it should mean the very best puppy, but to breeders, it has a more specific meaning. The “pick” is the puppy that shows the strongest potential for the show ring and for preserving the breed’s characteristics—not necessarily the one that will be the healthiest or live the longest. It is virtually impossible to forecast how long an otherwise healthy puppy will live.

When it comes to matching puppies with families, temperament matters just as much as physical qualities. A couple looking for a calm companion for daily walks will need a very different type of puppy than someone hoping to participate in AKC performance events like lure coursing, barn hunt, earth dog, et cetera. For the show ring, judges look for terriers who are confident, steady, and composed—not aggressive—but busy families with active kids may want a playful, high-energy pup who loves adventure.

Good breeders spend a lot of time getting to know potential owners so they can make the best match. They also carefully observe each puppy, especially around eight weeks old when their personalities really begin to shine. This helps them figure out which puppy will thrive in which kind of family.

Scottish Terriers are smart, independent, and a little stubborn, so early training is essential once they’ve finished their puppy shots. Training helps the puppy understand its place in the family, strengthens the bond between dog and owner, and prevents small behavior issues from becoming bigger problems later.

For anyone looking to bring home a Scottie, it’s important to find a breeder who genuinely cares about responsible placement—and to be honest with them in return. If someone says they plan to show or breed but never intends to, it can be incredibly discouraging for a breeder who has spent generations developing those bloodlines just to find later that the dog was spayed or neutered without furthering the breed standards. With Scottie numbers continuing to decline each year, preserving the gene pool depends on breeders and owners working together to protect the future of the breed.

**In short**, the “pick” of the litter isn’t the universal best—it’s simply the puppy with the most show potential. The best puppy for *you* is the one whose temperament and needs match your lifestyle. Open communication, thoughtful

placement, and early training all play a role in helping each Scottie grow into a happy, confident companion. And with the breed's numbers shrinking, these choices make a real difference in preserving the Scottish Terrier for years to come.

*Submitted by Lisa Inman Lee and Geiger Lee of Afterglow Kennels*

## 2026 Bladder Screening Clinic News

Hi everyone!

We have great news for our Scotties!

At the February meeting of the STCGD, the members in attendance all agreed to hold another bladder screening clinic for 2026. As promised, I applied for a grant from the Health Trust Fund (HTF) of the STCA.

Today I received a letter from the HTF that we are approved to receive the \$2,000.00 grant for our future ultrasound clinics!

We do have plans in the works with Dr. Griffin to hold our screening clinic at the Northside Veterinary Clinic in Springfield, Ohio, and are scheduled for Sunday, November 8, 2026.

More details will follow at future club meetings and on the website.

<https://www.stcgd.com/>

Thank you HTF of the STCA for granting our request!

*Submitted by Barb Zink*

## Brag for our Club Members! Congrats to all!

**"London" (CH Afterglow's A Rainy Evening in London)** earned her AKC Championship on January 26 under the expert handling of Leo Garcini. London is owned by Lisa Inman Lee.

Sire: GCH Afterglow's My Man in Black

Dam: CH Afterglow's Sweet Adeline



**"Tilly" (CH Afterglow's Piccadilly Circus)** earned her AKC Championship on May 2 under the expert handling of Leo Garcini. Tilly is owned by Lisa Inman Lee.

Sire: GCH Afterglow's An Ace Up The Sleeve BCAT

Dam: CH Afterglow's Walking On Sunshine



**Wild Wind Raving Beauty “Raven”**

04-26 Fort St Clair KC - WB, BOW, BOB (from the  
Puppy class)

- *Kim and Gary Stroede*



**Wild Wind Desert Sand (Sahara)**

03-27-26 STCGD - WB & BOW (from the 6-9 puppy class)

- *Kim and Gary Stroede*



**Soarin' and Beth** wrapped up May with an Owner Handler Terrier Group 1 at the Cincinnati Kennel Club, Inc show in Hamilton, OH on Sunday, May 24, 2026, under judge Beverly R. Andersen.



**Beth and Soarin' (McVan's Emotional Rescue at Ring Leaders)** had a great Kentucky Derby weekend "Running for the Roses" at the Fort St. Clair Dog Shows with several STCGD club members.

Saturday, May 2, 2026

Judge John Ramirez

Winners Dog and Best of Opposite Sex

Sunday, May 3, 2026

Nancy Liebes

Winners Dog and Best of Breed for a Major win!

Owned by Beth Firulli

Bred by Vandra Huber and Michael Krolewski

Sire: GCHS CH McVan's Paperback Rider

Dam: GCHG CH McVan's Stardust



## **New Champion at HiJinks Scottish Terriers!**

[Pending AKC Confirmation]

New CH HiJinks Written in the Stars “Gia” finished her championship on Sunday May 17, 2026, at the Kokomo Kennel Club show in Greentown, Indiana.

Judge Judy McVeigh awarded Gia her final point for her new title. All of Gia’s points came out of the Bred by Exhibitor class!

Gia’s sire is CH Charthill Silver Strike at HiJinks “Isaac” and her dam is GCH HiJinks N KinRoss Evening Star “Evie.”

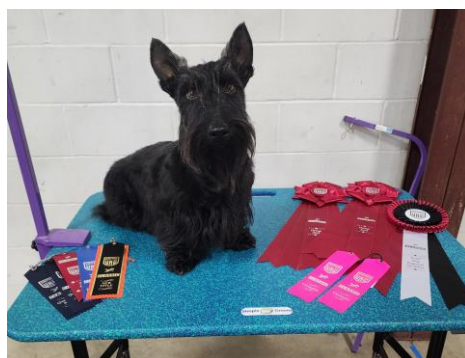
We are doing the happy dance!



## **Wee Black Dug’s We Finally Did It “Kenna”**

05-03-26 UKC Midwest Classic (2026 RQE) – Group 2 in both shows  
Placed first and second in Novice Containers  
Total Dog Regional Qualifier

Owned by Katelyn and Lee Ann Whaley  
Bred by Janet Cocker



# Save the Date for Upcoming Fun with our Scotties

# SAVE THE DATE

September 19, 2026

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# THE COLLEGE OF WOOSTER FIGHTING SCOTS



Join one of the nation's largest Scottie meetups at the College of Wooster's 4th annual Archie Day, Sept. 19th, 2026! Bring your Scottie(s) and enjoy field-level VIP tent seating at a women's soccer match and then a football game. Past events have drawn 50+ Scotties and their families - and we'd love to make this year even bigger.

You and your Scottie can march in the parade with the Wooster Scot Marching Bagpiper Band, enjoy a fun agility area, and enjoy complimentary food and drinks. The college students go crazy for the dogs and love spending time with them.

We'll be there with several of our Scotties and hope to see you too! Watch our Afterglow website and Facebook page for details and how to register.



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