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# Wheaten Words

## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

It seems the spring of 2017 has not been conducive to getting together for educational offerings. We found it necessary to cancel the Grooming Seminar in April due to low registrations, deciding instead to incorporate Master Groomer Marilyn Stowell's grooming demonstration for pet owners into Education Day in August. In addition, we will be sponsoring a Wheaten Grooming Class for professional groomers, date to be determined. This event is being advertised through the dog grooming community. Hopefully Wheatens will exit more of the Florida salons looking less like Schnauzers or Briards, and more like Wheatens!

This evening I sent this message: Due to the outbreak of canine influenza type H3N2 in dogs who attended recent conformation dog shows in Florida and Georgia, and the inability to determine if dogs attending the SCWTCTB Wonderful World of Wheatens Education Day this Saturday might have come in contact with one of the many hundreds of dogs who attended those shows during the contagious period of the disease, Education Day is postponed to August 12th. The health and safety of our Wheatens comes first!!

Meanwhile, I encourage you to discuss with your vet if vaccination for Canine Influenza is advisable for your Wheaten. This is a relatively new virus, first seen in the United States around Chicago about 2 years ago. Our dogs have no natural immunity to it, and it strikes hard. I am very cautious about the vaccines my dogs receive, and do titers for the core vaccines to know if they already have adequate protection or need a vaccination. I will be immunizing my dogs because their lifestyle puts them at risk for exposure to this very contagious disease. If your dog goes to dog parks, to a groomer, to training classes, to dog shows, is boarded, or greets other dogs on your walks in the neighborhood, your dog could be exposed. Some cases are mild, but the more severe form causes hemorrhagic pneumonia and permanent lung damage.

Our Board discussed last year that the funds accumulating in our Health Fund since the passing of the Wheaten/Wheagle Colony should be working toward health research, and looked for the best way to assure growth and use of your health designated contributions. The Wheaten Health Endowment is a 501c3 with its own Board, that reports to the SCWTCA Board. Funds in the endowment are invested to grow, the returns being used to fund health initiatives benefiting Wheatens. Examples of recent funding by the endowment include money for Dr Paula Henthorn's genetic research, purchase of a laboratory freezer for storage of Wheaten genetic samples at Penn, and support of the new Soft Coated Wheaten Terrier Pedigree Database. In December the Board voted to send \$2000 to the Endowment. In April another \$3000 was sent. Your contributions are working to assure a healthy future for Soft Coated Wheatens Terriers. Thank you letters from the Endowment board members can be found in the Club Business section of this newsletter.

The longest day of the year is coming soon, and the days are hot already! Wishing you and your Wheaten a fun filled, safe, happy and healthy summer.

Ann McCormick  
President



## CLUB BUSINESS



### HEALTH CONTRIBUTIONS

Our club has received multiple "Thank-you's" from Wheaten Health Endowment board members for our most recent health donations. Here are some notes of thank-you's we received:



Dear Cindy,

Toni Vincent let me know that your group, the SCWTCGTB, has recently donated \$3000 to the Endowment Fund. I want to thank you and your group for this generous donation that will help support research and improve the health of future generations of Wheatens.

Take Care, -Meryl

Meryl P. Littman, VMD, DACVIM  
Professor Emerita of Medicine  
University of PA. School of  
Veterinary Medicine

Hi Cindy,

As a member of the SCWTCA Endowment board, I would like to personally extend my sincere thanks and appreciation to you and the members of the SCWTCGTB for your generous donation to the Endowment.

Best regards,

Pam Tinnelly

As a Director of the SCWTCA Endowment, I want to thank the Tampa club for the generous donation. It's one of the most important things we can do to ensure the future of our breed.

Thank-you!

Robyn

Please thank your members for the very generous donation you made to the Endowment.

We appreciate your support,

Carol Carlson, chair



## UPCOMING EVENTS

### THE WONDERFUL WORLD OF WHEATENS EDUCATION DAY HAS BEEN RESCHEDULED

**When: Saturday, August 12th from 10:00am — 2:30pm**

**Where: St. Therese Church Hall in St. Petersburg**

#### TOPICS INCLUDE:

- \*New information about Wheaten annual health testing
- \*CGC Testing
- \*Using a Wheaten's natural instincts, an activity to look at
- \*Vaccinations and titers, which might you choose, when and why?

\*And more....





**DATES TO REMEMBER**

Professional Grooming Class..... DTBD

Annual Wheaten Picnic & Christmas Craft Fair..... Saturday, October 28th,  
at a new venue- Twin Lakes Park in Sarasota

MEET THE BREED in Orlando..... Saturday/Sunday, December 16th & 17th

SCWTCA Roving Specialty & Annual Dinner/Auction..... January 20, 2018  
in Brooksville

**Canine Influenza Virus Notice – AKC**

Most of us have heard by now that there's an outbreak of Canine Flu, but for those who haven't heard, here's a few facts from Dr. Jerry Klein, Chief Veterinary Officer of AKC.

The recent confirmed cases are the H3N2 strain and have been found in Florida, Georgia and North Carolina. This is an extremely contagious airborne disease that's easily spread among dogs!!

Canine Influenza Virus is spread through:

- Close proximity to infected dogs (it's airborne & can travel up to 20 ft.)
- Contact with contaminated items- (bowls, leashes, crates, clothing, etc)
- People moving between infected & uninfected dogs
- 80% of all dogs that are exposed will contract it

Symptoms Include:

- Dry, hacking cough (similar to Kennel Cough)
- Lack of appetite
- Lethargy
- Discharge from eyes or nose
- Fever (normal temp is 101-102)

The best protection is vaccination. The vaccination requires a booster shot 2 weeks after the initial vaccine. It will provide the best chance of immunity within 7-14 days of booster shot.

Also, be sure to isolate sick dogs and keep them isolated for up to 30 days after symptoms subside!! This disease is serious, but most dogs will completely recover with proper care and treatment!!

**NEW MEMBERS**

**WELCOME TO  
THE  
SCWTCGTB!**

Deborah & John Mitrovka	Apopka, FL
Nancy Testa	Sarasota, FL
Ramos Marangelli & Ruth Longwater	Orange Park, FL
Robert & Lynn Penson	Palm Beach Gardens, FL
Ron & Jan Swanson	Brooksville, FL

## HIGGINS' TRAVEL ADVENTURES AND ADVICE

By: Higgins and Karen Wood

Besides having fun traveling with our Wheatens, they have a ball too. Higgins is a good traveler and would like to share some of his adventures out west:

"Traveling out west is a doggone good time, so I thought I'd share a bit of my HOWLidays with you". Like Celtie and Doogan, I have a travel bandana, and where they had 45-46 states, I only have 28, but if you want to collect states, the place to go is Four Corners. That's because it's where NM, AZ, CO and WY join, so you can collect 4 states at the same time! The folkz drove 25 miles out of the way to take me, so I give them "All Paws Up."

No bones about it, traveling broadens your horizons and here's some great things I learned:

I found out I can hoof it through four states in a matter of minutes at Four Corners!

I learned Elk are lots bigger when they are right close to the road!



I discovered a hot dog is when you're in the desert and it's 100 degrees.

Oh My Dog, was Utah ever hot!

The Rio Grande in the mountains is icy cold even in the dead of summer.

"Little doggies" don't bark, but say, 'Moo' and prairie dogs bark, but don't look a thing like a dog.

And last but not least...Don't pull on the leash to be first at the top of the mountain, because you still have to hike all the way back down, and I was dog tired.

My advice is to take your Wheatie on your next trip. Whether you camp or stay in dog friendly hotels, you'll be glad to have us with you, and remember there are doggy parks and doggy day camps everywhere. Oh, and be sure and pack our medical records.

Happy Tail and Trail, Higgins

Here's a couple more pix of some of my travels."



### General Tips When Traveling by Car or RV:

- 1) Make sure your Wheaten has a sturdy collar and leash. Collar should have ID information on it, along with your cell phone number. Also consider a permanent form of ID, such as a microchip.
- 2) Avoid car sickness by letting your Wheaten travel on a semi empty stomach, but make sure he/she has plenty of water at all times!!
- 3) Keep the car well-ventilated. If your Wheaten is in a crate, make sure fresh air can flow into it. Also make sure the crate is tied down securely.
- 4) STOP frequently for potty breaks and a bit of exercise.
- 5) NEVER EVER leave your Wheaten unattended in a closed vehicle, especially in the Summer!! If you must leave the car, designate a family member to stay with your Wheatie.
- 6) LODGING: Find out in advance which hotels along your route or at your destination, allow dogs. Some may have size or breed restrictions.

Here are some helpful websites, not just for pet-friendly hotels, but some restaurants & parks too:

[Officialpethotels.com](http://Officialpethotels.com), [bringfido.com](http://bringfido.com), [dogloverscompanion.com](http://dogloverscompanion.com), [pet-friendly-hotels.net](http://pet-friendly-hotels.net)

## RESCUE REPORT



# I rescued my Soft Coated Wheaten Terrier



Spring 2017

In March, we were contacted by 2 year old Bella's family. This was her second home. Bella's person was going back to work full-time and she did not think it would be fair to leave her home alone all day. The Nelson's transported Bella to Cindy Leigh in WPB who fostered this sweet little girl. Bella was adopted by a very nice couple in Royal Palm Beach.



"Bella"

Wheatens in Need had placed 4 year old Finley in a

home in WPB which did not work out. Our Rescue found a great home for her in Cape Canaveral and Cindy handled the placement. 3 year old Gracie in Hobe Sound was not getting along with the other Wheaten in the home, so we placed her with a couple in WPB with no other dogs. Cindy again handled the transfer.



"Gracie"

Back in December, we were contacted by a friend of a gentleman who had become very, very ill. He was gradually becoming unable to take care of his two 8 year old Wheaten siblings Dillon and Darby. The dogs were in the Tampa area. The owner's sister contacted us the end of March and asked us to take the pair. We were able to find a wonderful home for them together in Key West. We WURLED them from Tampa to Key Largo with the help of the Nelson's and Marilyn Matthes. The couple in Key West just adored them both. Tragically, Darby died just three weeks after she came home with them. She just could not surmount her health issues. Such a sad thing for them.



"Dillon & Darby"

In April, Gracie Haley told us that there were two 11 year old Wheatens at the Humane Society in Vero Beach. The owner died and the caretaker had the dogs chained up outside. He finally gave them up. Gracie went to visit them and said they were very sweet. Our great friend of Rescue Jeanne Jessup loves the senior Wheatens - she took them home where they have blended in with her old guy Sprocket. Luke and Leia will now live out their golden years as Forever Fosters with Jeanne - thank you for taking them in!

Three years ago Zoey was adopted from us by a woman in Leesburg. She called us to say her life had changed drastically and she could no longer take care of Zoey. Bill Holingsworth in Mt. Dora arranged everything and

transported her to her new home in Apopka. They adore her and she is doing well.



"Zoey"

In April, Jody Greene took a young female Wheaten to K-9 Karma in Jax for evaluation and training. She had shown some dog aggression and is only a year old. Simon was also at Karma for heartworm treatment and training for several months. He turned out to be a charming, well behaved young dog and he was placed in a lovely family with two kids.

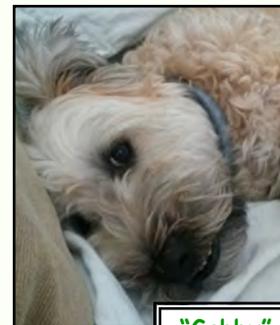
The beginning of May, Rescue was contacted about 4 year old Nellie Bly in Ft. Lauderdale. Her owner died suddenly on December 31<sup>st</sup>. A friend took Nellie in but his long work hours meant Nellie was alone way too much. He called us and then we heard nothing for three weeks, but finally the friend called us again and the Nelson's fetched Nellie and took her to WPB, where she is currently in foster care with Cindy Leigh. Cindy says she is the sweetest foster dog she has ever had. Thank you Cindy for being such a great supporter of Rescue!



"Nellie-Bly"

4 year old Gabby in Holiday was found by a Good Samaritan two months ago. She was found dodging traffic on a busy road. She was very ill and mangy. This lovely lady took Gabby in and had her groomed and vetted and she is on her

way to good health. But she was not getting along with the older, grouchy Australian Shepherd or the old cats. Once again, Bill arranged everything and spent several hours on a Saturday transporting her to Ocala. Jody met Bill in Ocala and is fostering Gabby. Thank you both!



"Gabby"

As May draws to a close, we have placed seventeen Wheatens this year so far. Rescue has been much quieter this year so far than the year 2016 at this time. This is a good thing!

It seemed a constant that one year became busier than the prior, but 2017 is not proving this true. We are still very busy but have room to breathe this year. Again, heartfelt thanks go out to those who support Rescue and foster, transport, make calls and give of their time and donations. We cannot do it without you!!

As always, thanks for all you do.

Melissa Nelson, Rescue Co-Coordinator

## SHOW RESULTS



### Conformation Wins & Titles Earned 3/1/17-5/31/17

**BOB**= Best of Breed, **BOS**= Best of Opposite Sex, **BOW**= Best of Winners, **WB**= Winners Bitch, **WD**= Winners Dog-(male winner), **SEL**= Select Winner, **Grp 2**= 2nd Place Winner in Terrier Group, **CH**= Champion, **GCH**= Grand Champion, **GCHB**= Bronze Grand Champion, **GCHG**= Gold Grand Champion, **OH**= Owner Handler, **OHBOB**=Owner Handler Best of Breed, **OHgrp 2**= Owner Handler 2nd Place Winner in Terrier Group, **OHgrp 3**= Owner Handler 3rd Place Winner in Terrier Group

#### **GCHG** Ainle Something To Talk About "Bogie"



21-BOB, 2-SEL, 3-grp 2's,  
3-grp 3's, 1-grp 4

Bogie earned "GOLD" Grand Champion status on May 12th... Congrats!!

Bred by: Kathi Elliot  
Owned by: Linda Robison

#### **GCH** Greentree Sage's Magical Enchantress "Jett"



3-BOB, 5-BOS, 4-SEL  
7-OHBOB, 2-OHgrp 2's,  
2-OHgrp 3's, 1-OHgrp 4

Bred by: Bev & Kevin McDonald  
Owned by: Sandy & Frank Russo  
& Bev & Kevin McDonald

#### **Ainle** Sunny Sailor Boy "Luka"



3-WD, 1-BOW

Bred by: Kathi Elliot  
Owned by: Denise DeAngelis & Kathi Elliot

#### **GCHB** Ainle Gift of the Gab "Marlie"



1-BOS, 1-SEL, 1-OHBOB, 1-OHgrp 4

Bred by: Kathi Elliot  
Owned by: Kathi Elliot

#### **CH** Ainle Pomp and Circumstance "Regan"



1-BOB, 1-WB, 1-BOW

Regan earned "CHAMPION" status on March 11th... Congrats!!

Bred by: Kathi Elliot  
Owned by: Brenda Warren & Kathi Elliot

#### **GCH** Sundance's Lucky Rover "Bowie"



2-BOB, 1-BOS, 3-SEL

Bred by: Sue Wuerz & Donald Wuerz  
Owned by: Kerrie Rousey & Sue & Donald Wuerz

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#### Ainle Once In A Blue Moon "Zeke"



1-BOB, 2-BOS, 3-WD, 1-BOW

Bred by: Kathi Elliot  
Owned by: Antonio & Jacksette Castro & Kathi Elliot

#### CH Ainle Talk of the Town "Whisper"



1-BOW

Whisper earned "CHAMPION" status on March 12th... Congrats!!

Bred by: Kathi Elliot  
Owned by: Mary Page, Cassidy McIntosh & Kathi Elliot

#### CH Inishkeen's Capt'n Miguel D'Lima "Mikey"



1-BOB

Bred by: Ann & Jim McCormick  
Owned by: Ann & Jim McCormick

#### Inishkeen's Buxxom Lady "Aoife"



1-BOW

Bred by: Ann & Jim McCormick  
Owned by: Ann & Jim McCormick

#### CH Wheaten Lane's Best Chance "Cooper"



1-BOB, 2-BOW, 7-WD

Cooper earned "Champion" status on May 21st... Congrats!!

Bred by: Nancy Griffin  
Owned by: Keith & Risa Brand, Nancy Griffin & Helen Fraguela

#### Wheaten Lane's Catching the Win "Lucy"



2-BOW, 2-WB

Bred by: Nancy Griffin & Helen Fraguela  
Owned by: Anthony & Lydia Malafronte & Nancy Griffin

 **CONGRATULATIONS**  
To all our dog sport enthusiasts

## IN THE KITCHEN WITH BRANDI



### PB&J Pops

#### Ingredients:

- 1/4 cup Peanut Butter
- 2 cups Strawberries, chopped ( fresh or frozen)
- 1/2 cup Blueberries (fresh or frozen)
- 1 3/4 cup Plain Yogurt, divided
- 4 Rawhide Sticks
- 4 small Paper or Plastic cups

#### Directions:

- 1st layer=** 1/4 cup Peanut Butter & 3/4 cup Plain Yogurt. Add to blender or food processor & blend until smooth.
- 2nd layer=** 2 cups Strawberries, chopped & 1/4 cup Plain Yogurt. Add to blender or food processor & blend until smooth.
- 3rd layer=** 1/2 cup Blueberries & 3/4 cup Plain Yogurt. Mix Blueberries & Yogurt.

Pour an inch or so of your 1st layer mixture into the bottom of each cup. Allow to freeze for 30 minutes, then insert your Rawhide Stick.

Repeat pouring the layers, allowing them to set 30 minutes in-between, until all 3 layers are in each cup.

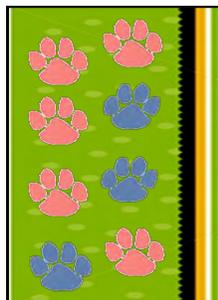
Freeze for 8 hours to allow them to fully set.

Run warm water around the mold to remove the popsicle.

MAKES 4 POPSICLES



## LITTER ANNOUNCEMENTS



Sue Wuerz is pleased to announce the arrival of a new Sundance litter:

Born 3/22/17

**Sire:** CH Wheaten Lane's Heart of Gold "Quinn"

**Dam:** CH Sundance Princess of Arondale CGC "Anna"

Sherri Kase McKenzie is pleased to announce the arrival of a new Sandcastle litter:

Born 5/6/17 during Kentucky Derby

**Sire:** CH Whindancer's Under the Wide and Starry Sky "Casey"

**Dam:** CH Sandcastle's Princess of Far, Far Away "Fiona"



## HAPPY B' DAY SENIORS



The wonderful Miss Molly turned 13 on May 16th. She's a sweet and mellow old girl, but in her youth was all Terrier. Molly is a SCWTCA versatility award winner with AKC agility, obedience and herding titles. She's also worked over 200 hours as a Therapy Dog and even made a movie for Animal Planet!! Her favorite thing to do is meet and greet, and never passes up a trip to Home Depot. Arthritis has ended her jumping but she still loves the tunnels!!

Sandcastle's Legacy (Joyce) turned "Sweet 16" on May 7th!! This sweet girl has given me so much joy!! She's owned & very much loved by Sherri Kase-McKenzie



CH Lovesong's Follow Your Dream (Raleigh) turned 15 on March 4th. We're thrilled he's still with us & doing fairly well for an ole man!! He's owned & very much loved by Cheryl & Robert Johnstone

