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CLUB OFFICERS

- President:
 Marj Lorand
 Vice President:
 Kathi Elliot (temp)
 Treasurer:
 Pam Benton
 Recording Secretary:
 Linda Hallas
 Corresponding Secretary:
 Debie Scurr

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- Marilyn Stowell
 Kathi Elliot
 Marilyn Matthes
 Melissa Nelson

Newsletter

- Cheryl Johnstone
 Helen Fraguela

Wheaten Words

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

You may recall from our last Newsletter that we sent in our paperwork for AKC accreditation, and I asked you to cross your fingers for our success. It worked! You can all uncross your fingers now. I have the pleasure of announcing that the Soft Coated Wheaten Terrier Club of Greater Tampa Bay is now officially an AKC accredited specialty club! Again, I thank all of the members who worked to pull together the information required for the application. Because we had complete documentation, the application sailed through the AKC.

Now we have some work to do to build the support activities for the conformation showing aspect of our club. So far, we have held fun matches. While those matches have been fun, we need to move up to "sanctioned "B" matches. Please read more about this in this newsletter, and know that we will need member involvement and support as we advance to this stage of holding matches with our conformation showing members.

We have some changes in our Board of Directors. Cheryl Johnstone has resigned as our Vice President, but will remain active in supporting the club. Kathi Elliot has taken over the office until the November elections. You will also see the proposed slate for the new Board in this newsletter under "Club News". Additional nominations may be made at the general membership meeting at Okeehetee Park in West Palm Beach in October. The slate and additional nominations will be voted on at our annual meeting November 12. This year's dinner and meeting will be in Brooksville. Watch for more information about this event.

Summer is a slower time of year, but we are looking forward to our upcoming events. As mentioned before, we have our East Coast picnic coming up on October 22. At this event, we will also be holding a second DNA sampling clinic. If you do not know about this important project, please see the attached flyer and check our website for further information.

September 17th, several members will represent our club at the "AKC Responsible Ownership Day" event at the Florida State Fairgrounds in Tampa. This event celebrates the joy of owning a Wheaten (and every other dog). I would encourage any member eager to share understanding of dog ownership to become involved in this important public service activity. For more information, go to the AKC website events page and click on Responsible Ownership Day. If you would like more information about participating in the event as a club representative, please contact Debie Scurr.

Finally, although it may seem a long way (and many more hot days) away, we are planning to participate in "Meet the Breed" held at the AKC/Eukanuba Championship event in Orlando, Dec 17-18. This is a large event and will require help from our membership. Please find out how you can participate in the "Show News" section of this Newsletter.

This is an exciting time for our club, and I hope you will participate in some of our many activities. Without YOU, there is no US!



Marj Lorand

CLUB BUSINESS



FROM THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

Board of Directors Slate for 2012-2013: The nominating committee comprised of Marj Lorand (chair), Mik Lorand, Tony Rossi, Tim Benton, and Sue Robinson propose the following slate for the 2012 BOD of the SCWTCGTB.

President - Kathi Eliot
Vice President - Linda Hallas
Corresponding Secretary - Lois Hiers
Recording Secretary - Pam Benton
Treasurer - Debie Scurr

Directors-
Marilyn Matthes
Melissa Nelson
Debi Rossi
Jane Cook

Additional nominations will be taken from the floor during our Annual Dinner.

AKC RECOGNIZES SOFT COATED WHEATEN TERRIER CLUB OF GREATER TAMPA BAY



The headline tells the story! We have reached another significant milestone in our growth as a breed club...What does it mean, how did we get here? That is the story behind the headline.

The Soft Coated Wheaten Terrier Club of Greater Tampa Bay began as a small group of Wheaten fanciers interested in the welfare of our dogs; owners, breeders, and exhibitors who wanted to work together for the protection and preservation of Wheatens. Through the years we have focused on promoting our breed's health and welfare through rescue and support to owners. The aspects of the dog sport; showing in conformation and other performance areas,

such as obedience, agility, herding, etc... have been touched on, but not strongly promoted. Our club has grown, both in numbers and in support for a variety of important activities. But, we have not reached the potential or met the needs of our very diverse membership. It was time to take our club to the next level - AKC recognition.

A crucial part of Wheaten stewardship is the responsible propagation of the breed. In order to maintain quality in pure bred Wheatens, we must be able to carefully and knowledgeably breed them. Breeders must be true to the accepted standard for Wheaten Terriers. The purpose of conformation and performance events is to select the dogs that best represent our standard for breeding, thus preserving the physical traits and positive temperament of the breed.

By becoming an AKC recognized specialty club, we enter another arena of protecting and preserving our wonderful breed. We can now offer opportunities for Wheaten breeders in the Tampa Bay area to prepare their show prospects, proving they conform to the accepted breed standard, and have the inherent qualities and type of the Wheaten Terrier. We can all be excited about this new aspect of our club's function.

What does this mean for us as a club? Initially, we can hold "B matches", which are like dog shows. These matches are events that allow breeders to show their dogs and determine which are the best show prospects. This is an important step for them, as they evaluate puppies and determine which will be the best to carry on the Wheaten standard. Matches can also support obedience and other performance events, such as agility. Eventually, we can advance to "A" matches and then supported entries and sponsored specialties.

The importance of AKC recognition should not be minimized. This is a big step for us as a club and will require the support of all our members, just as rescue and educational events do. These functions do not exist in isolation. They are all critical components of what a "breed club" is and are integral to the protection and preservation of the breed. What a big and exciting opportunity this is for the Soft Coated Wheaten Terrier Club of Greater Tampa Bay!

NEW MEMBERS...WELCOME TO THE SCWTCGTB!

Barbara Babcock – Plantation
Garyanna Benson - Gulfport
Denise & Steve Buckley - Sarasota
Ellen Chapman - Milton, MA
Deborah & Daniel Klee - North Port
Charles & Judy Kersch - Punta Gorda

Jeff Kuehn - Chesterfield, MO
Mariane Lehman – Clearwater
Jean Stecker & Richard Paine - Pt. St. Lucie
Terri Powers - Odessa
Kristen Robinson - St. Petersburg

FEATURE ARTICLE

BUYING A NEW PUPPY? CONSIDER "COST OF OWNERSHIP", NOT PRICE!

BY: Linda Hallas

They say you can't put a price on love, but by age 7, my Love has run up veterinary bills of over \$10,000!

I bought my Molly from a pet store for \$1,000.

They say you can't put a price on love, but by age 7, my Love has run up veterinary bills of over \$10,000!

Molly came from a backyard breeder in Kansas, who sold her to a broker who then sold her to Petland. Her AKC papers showed a long line of champions. (I was impressed by that, and at that time I didn't really know the difference between a backyard breeder and a reputable "hobby" breeder)

The medical bills started the week after we brought her home. She was gagging, couldn't seem to swallow properly. The vet thought she might have swallowed a toy

and so x-rays were taken and we paid our first \$800 veterinary bill. After countless sleepless nights, and many more tests it was confirmed that she has mega esophagus, a genetic defect; the muscles in her esophagus aren't strong enough to properly move food down her throat.

When Molly first got sick we contacted her breeder to see if this swallowing problem ran in her family. On the phone her breeder claimed her parents were healthy; but when my husband showed up at her home in Kansas, she admitted Molly's father had died. She said Molly's mother had been placed with a family member. She insisted all of her puppies are healthy; however she also admitted she sells all of her puppies to a broker and doesn't keep track of them once they leave at 7 weeks of age.

Molly's health problems also include severe allergies. We just repeated allergy testing and are trying allergy shots for the second time. In addition, Molly has had two life threatening health episodes. At age 4 she suddenly collapsed, lost bladder control and was hospitalized. Sonograms, x-rays and every test a neurologist could think were performed but they never did diagnosis that episode; Molly eventually got better at a cost of \$3,500. At age 6, almost 2 years to the day of her first collapse she suddenly was unable to lay down, she just stood next to me panting and drooling profusely, obviously in pain. Her urine turned the color of coffee. Blood tests revealed her body was destroying her own muscle tissue, most likely an immune deficiency problem. The vet gave her medicine that caused liver failure; another round of X-rays and sonograms revealed nothing. She had blood work every 3 days for a month. I lost track of the cost of this illness, or rather intentionally stopped counting, after the first day's bill was \$1,800. During this time Molly's immune system was compromised and she came down with a staff infection.

We adore Molly, she is part of our family...the financial burden of caring for a sick dog can't compare to the emotional trauma of watching your beloved wheaten suffer.

Reputable breeders charge twice as much as I paid for Molly, But, if you are considering purchasing a puppy I feel it is well worth the investment to purchase a puppy from a reputable breeder. In my opinion, a reputable breeder is a knowledgeable person who takes advantage of all of the genetic information available to find the healthiest mate, is a member of the SCWTCA open registry, and keeps track of the puppies they sell.

While no one can guarantee every wheaten they produce will be healthy; if you are going to purchase a wheaten, it makes sense to do everything you can to increase your chances of getting a healthy puppy, and in the long run, it may save you money and a great deal of heart ache.



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RESCUE REPORT... con't

We found 4 yo **Clancy** at Animal Services in Jacksonville. Lloyd and Fran Downing sprung him and drove him down to meet Tony and Debi Rossi in Apopka, who fostered him. He had kennel cough but they said he was one of the sweetest dogs they had ever fostered.

A couple with a female Wheaten the same age adopted him. Unfortunately, Clancy turned out to be heartworm positive - thank goodness this family is willing to go through the long process of getting him healthy. He tested negative at AS so we had no idea. We have had very few Wheatens come into Rescue who are heartworm positive - less than five in all the dozens we have rescued.



"Abby"

In August we were contacted by Animal Services in Melbourne. 8 yo **Abby** was dropped off by her family. We soon surmised why they did this. Abby had a necrotic mammary tumor, oozing eyes, bad skin and was matted to the skin. The owners either could not or would not pay for the vet

care she needed so badly. Thanks so very much to Susan Ball who took Abby in and got her healthy with lots of TLC, and then drove her hours to her new family on the other coast.

Currently we have 8 yo **Max** listed on Petfinder. He is a really sweet, huge 8 yo Wheaten who weighs 60 lbs. His family is giving him up because they have two young kids and no time for him. He is in Orlando. Thanks to Debi Rossi who went to meet Max - she says he is big, strong and energetic. So he is available for adoption.



"Jag"

8 yo **Jag** in Miami went home in July to a couple in Ft. Lauderdale who have an 8 yo female Wheaten and he is doing great!

Last but certainly not least we have

Dempsey. Melissa received a phone call from Dempsey's owners, who adopted him from Tampa Bay Rescue 8 years ago when he was a puppy.



"Dempsey"

Dempsey was part of the 8 pups we called "The December Eight." Back 8 years ago a famous author went into several pet stores and bought 8 older puppies, drove them to Karen Kormos's house in Sarasota right before Christmas and said - here! I rescued them. Karen scrambled to find foster homes. Debie Scurr fostered two of them and our own Pam Benton has Dempsey's brother Rudy. After 8 years, they gave Dempsey up because he needed some surgery and they did not want to pay for it. Kathi Elliot was certainly Dempsey's angel. She took him in, fostered him, saw him through his surgery and healing. We cannot thank Kathi enough, she has become a true champion of Rescue. He was adopted by a wonderful retired couple from West Palm Beach who have 8 year old Wheaten Dickens.

Again our heartfelt thanks go out to those who make phone calls, transport, foster, get these dogs vetted and do everything that it takes. The Wheatens thank you!

MELISSA NELSON

SCWTCGTB-CO-COORDINATOR

I rescued my
Soft Coated Wheaten Terrier



SELECTING A STUD DOG

By: Dennis & Bonnie Wirth, Canopy Road Wheatens

We bred our first Wheaten bitch, CH Calebran's Royal Topaz (Meghan), 13 years ago to CH Wild West Wildflower (Dalton), a Best of Breed Winner at the National Specialty Show in 1995. We selected Dalton because lots of other people were using him with good results, and he was lovely and moderate in size. We kept a female, CH Canopy Road's Calebran Jasmine (Jasmine), from our Meghan and Dalton litter to show. The other puppies were placed as pets. Jasmine, now 13 years old, is the great grand dam of our most recent litter of puppies.

Next, we bred Meghan to CH Carlinayer's Brendon Murdock (Dockers). We selected Dockers because he was also a very popular stud dog and one who produced gorgeous coats. This was before we knew much about PLE, PLN, RD or even the Open Registry. It was a time when most breeders were line-breeding (using a stud dog with several of the same Wheatens in his pedigree as in the dam's pedigree) to emphasize the good traits they wanted in the next generation.

When the puppies from our Meghan and Docker's litter were about 6 months old, we learned that Dockers had developed PLE and PLN, and was dying. Fortunately, all but the male we kept from the litter had been spayed or neutered. We showed our Docker's puppy to his championship, but we did not use him for breeding. Eventually, we had him neutered and placed with friends as a pet. Fortunately, he and all but one of his littermates, who recently died of cancer, are doing well at age 12. The tragedy was that Dockers sired about 70 litters and many of the puppies he sired were shown and bred. This was not the only occurrence of this disease in some of our top stud dogs, and served as a serious wake-up call to members of the Soft Coated Wheaten Terrier Club of America (SCWTCA) and was a major factor intensifying the effort to find the cause of these diseases.

Additionally, owners of stud dogs were encouraged to limit the number of times they were used and owners of bitches were encouraged to use less known stud dogs and to broaden the gene pool.

Like several other American breeders, in recent years we have been breeding to dogs

from European lines in our breeding program in order to broaden the gene pool.

All of the bitches in our breeding program are tested annually according to the SCWTCA protocols. After a bitch we plan to breed has finished her championship and is at least 2 years old, she has her hips x-rayed to rule out dysplasia (OFA) and her eyes examined for retinal problems (CERF). While grooming and showing our bitches, we compare them to the breed standard and make note of traits we would like to improve e.g. height, coat, ear size, etc.

Once our bitch has become a champion and we have determined that she is worthy of breeding (good temperament, healthy and good conformation), we start the process of finding the right

"Mr. Stud Muffin" for her. We start looking for potential stud dogs at shows, especially the National or Roving Specialty shows, in our collection of SCWT Yearbooks, and on the SCWT pedigree program website. In addition to looking at the stud dog, we also look at his offspring, which is even more important than the sire himself. With each generation, we strive to improve our line, so we ask ourselves would this breeding produce better Wheatens than the dam?



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BREEDER'S CORNER...con't

Once we have identified several potential stud dogs, we carefully examine all the Wheatens in their pedigree compared to those on the Open Registry who have produced, currently have, or died of PLE/PLN/RD.

This is a long and tedious process, but critical to protect our breed.

By this point, we are generally talking with the owners of the stud dogs being considered. We discuss temperament, general health, hips, eyes, blood work and protein/creatinine ratio of their dog, and we tell them about our bitch. Sometimes the owner of the stud dog will tell us that their dog has been used too much recently, so he is not being used for a while. Sometimes the stud dog's owner will tell us their dog is not producing the traits we are looking for in his get, and sometimes the dog may have a prostate or urinary tract infection and should not be used until it is cleared up. Sometimes, the dog is being "specialied" with a handler and is not available. Further, if the stud dog has never been used, it is advisable to have his sperm count and motility checked. For all these reasons, it is advisable to make breeding decisions far in advance of the bitch going into season. Once an agreement has been made, documentation (health information, pedigrees, photos, etc.) should be exchanged, a contract should be written and signed, and the stud fee paid.

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The selection of a stud dog is not a decision to be made lightly, nor should it be rushed. Arrangements need to be made regarding how (natural, artificial insemination, surgical insemination) and where (home of the stud dog, veterinarian office of the stud dog, or veterinarian office of the bitch) the breeding will take place.

As a final thought, showing and breeding Wheatens is our hobby.

We do it because of our love of the breed, because we love showing, we love the time we spend with other Wheaten owners, and because we are interested in improving the breed in the areas of temperament, health and conformation. We do not do it for the money as it is certainly not a money-making activity. Each time we place a puppy in the arms of its new owner, we feel like Johnny Appleseed spreading joy and happiness throughout the land.



LITTER ANNOUNCEMENTS



Helen Fraguela, Moonstruck, is pleased to announce the arrival of 1 baby girl 7/10/11
Dad: GCH Moonstruck Million Dollar Baby
"ROCKY"
Mom: CH Marland Moonstruck Minx
"FLIRT"

SHOW NEWS

SHOW RESULTS 6/1 -8/31

Canopy Road's A Star Is Bjorn

WB Orlando 6/25

Bred/Owned by: Dennis & Bonnie Wirth

CH Inishkeen Maille of VanBeard "Maille"

SEL Orlando 6/25

SEL WPB 7/16

SEL WI Kennel Club 7/31

BOS WI Kennel Club 8/1

Bred by: Kathleen Ostrander-Bowers

Owned by: Ann McCormick and James McCormick

CH Inishkeen's Pillow Full O'Petals "Sachet"

SEL Palmetto 6/19

SEL Orlando 6/24

SEL Orlando 6/26

SEL WPB 7/17

SEL Waukesha WI, SCWTCGM 7/29

SEL Waukesha WI Kennel Club 7/30

SEL Burlington WI Kennel Club 8/2

Bred/Owned: Ann McCormick and James McCormick

GCH Moonstruck Sanddollar Sassy Salsa "Sassy"

BOB, Biloxi 6/2

BOS, Biloxi 6/4

BOB, Palmetto 6/18

BOB, Palmetto 6/19

BOB, Orlando 6/24

BOB, Orlando 6/25

BOB, Orlando 6/26

BOB, Bel Alton, MD 6/30

BOB, Bel Alton, MD 7/01

BOB, Bel Alton, MD 7/02

BOB, Bel Alton, MD 7/03

BOB, Dallas 7/7

BOB, Dallas 7/9

BOB, Dallas 7/10

BOB, WPB 7/16

BOS, WPB 7/17

BOB, Kenner, LA 8/4

BOB, Kenner, LA 8/5

BOB, Kenner, LA 8/7

BOS, Atlanta, GA 8/25

BOS, Atlanta, GA 8/26

BOS, Atlanta, GA 8/27

BOS, Atlanta, GA 8/28

BOS, Greensboro, NC 8/10

BOS, Greensboro, NC 8/11

BOS, Greensboro, NC 8/12

Bred by: Helen Fraguela, Bev & Kevin McDonald

Owned: Barb & Walter Bates, Helen Fraguela

Moonstruck Dance The Night Away "Walter"

WD, BW, Orlando 6/24/11

WD, BW, Orlando 6/25/11

WD, BW, Orlando 6/26/11

Bred by: Helen Fraguela, Martha Rowland

Owned by: Helen Fraguela, Kim Johnson

Moonstruck Too Hot to Mombo "Tango"

WD, BW, WPB 7/16/11

WD, BW, WPB 7/17/11

Bred by: Helen Fraguela, Martha Rowland

Owned: Helen Fraguela, Todd Hoover, Ron Michel

Moonstruck Rhumba Rhythm "Neala"

WB Orlando 6/26

WB WPB 7/16

WB WPB 7/17

Bred by: Helen Fraguela, Bev & Kevin McDonald

Owned by: Nancy Griffin, Helen Fraguela

Sho-Well's Summer Sunshine "Sunny"

WB Orlando 6/24

BW Atlanta, GA 8/25

Bred/Owned by: Marilyn Stowell

GCH Sho-well's Bree's Boy Toy "Bentley"

BOS, Charlottesville, VA 6/4/11

BOB, Charlottesville, VA 6/5/11

BOB, GRP 4 Asheville, NC 6/11/11

BOB, Asheville, NC 6/12/11

BOS, Palmetto 6/18/11

BOS, Orlando 6/24/11

BOS, Orlando 6/25/11

BOS, WPB 7/16/11

BOB, Greenville, SC 7/29/11

BOB, Atlanta, GA 8/25/11

BOB, Atlanta, GA 8/27/11

Breeder: Marilyn Stowell

Owner: Kathi Elliot

CH Sundance Second Chance, "Bentley"

BOS, Orlando 6/24/11

SEL, Orlando 6/25/11

SEL, Orlando 6/26/11

BOB, West Palm 7/17/11

SEL, Atlanta, 8/25/11

BOB, GRP 4, Atlanta 8/26/11

SEL, Atlanta, 8/27/11

BOB, Atlanta, 8/28/11

Breeder: Sue & Don Wuerz

Owner: Sandy & Frank Russo

SHOW NEWS... con't

SPECIAL AWARDS

Juliana McKamey has been selected for the prestigious **Jr. Showmanship** award from the SCWTCA. This will be the third year she has been **ranked #1**, and the third year receiving the award from the club; 2008, 2010, and 2011.



NEW CONFORMATION TITLES

CH Inishkeen's Pillow Full O'Petals, "Sachet"
Bred and owned by: Ann and James McCormick

CH Greentree Havana Moon-Struck "Lucy"
Bred by: Helen Fraguela, Bev & Kevin McDonald
Owned by: Joanne Manning, Bev & Kevin McDonald

"BRONZE" GCH Moonstruck Sanddollar Sassy Salsa "Sassy"
Bred by: Helen Fraguela, Bev & Kevin McDonald
Owned by: Helen Fraguela & Barb Bates

GCH Sundance Second Chance "Bentley"
Bred by: Sue & Don Wuerz,
Owned by: Sandy & Frank Russo

AGILITY/OBEDIENCE/WORKING

Teddybear Jump for Joy, NAP, NJP, OAP
Novice Agility Preferred, Novice Jumper Preferred,
Open Agility Preferred
Bred by: Marilyn Stowell
Owned by: Susie Blackledge

Shar D's Oliver Do "N" the Twist, ORT
Odor recognition tests for Nosework, NACSW
Bred by: Dee Boyd
owned by: Ellen Chapman

UPCOMING SHOWS

Sept 24-25	Deland
Oct 8-9	Montgomery KC
Oct 8-9	Lake City
Oct 13-16	Arcadia
Nov 5-6	Boca Raton
Nov 5-7	Lady Lake
Nov 11-14	Brooksville
Nov 17-20	Ocala



CONGRATULATIONS
To all our dog sport enthusiasts

SHOW NEWS... con't

MONTGOMERY COUNTY KENNEL CLUB

ALL-TERRIER SPECIALTY

The Montgomery County Kennel Club (MCKC) show is the largest and most exciting all-terrier show in the United States, typically with over 2,000 terriers competing. Each Terrier breed club holds their National Specialty here. Each breed has a huge entry, as many as 150-200 Wheatens may compete here for Best of Breed. For Wheaten lovers...this is the place to see the "best of the best" in the show ring. The day before MCKC, the SCWTCA holds a puppy sweepstakes and an obedience trial, Great fun for everyone. In the days prior, several other kennel clubs hold their all-breed shows, making this a very special week for dog sport enthusiasts. This year's theme is BFF (best friends forever) a tribute to how much our beloved Wheatens mean to us. The SCWTCA Specialty, Oct 9, 2011, will be at Montgomery County Community College, Blue Bell, PA For the full week's schedule and more details visit <http://www.scwtca.org/mckc/>



PLANET'S GREATEST DOG SHOW RETURNS TO FLORIDA

This year the AKC/Eukanuba National Championship will be held on December 17th & 18th, 2011 at the new "state of the art" Orange County Convention Center in Orlando, Florida, the second largest convention center in the nation.

Thousands of top dogs from around the globe will compete for prize money and the chance to be named National Champion, one of the biggest honors in the dog world. The 2011 event will continue to showcase the top American dogs and top dogs from around the world, as well as offer Bred-by-Exhibitor competition, AKC Meet the Breeds® and the Eukanuba World Challenge. The AKC National Obedience Invitational and AKC Agility Invitational will be held in conjunction with the event, showcasing a multitude of canine talents under one roof.

For additional details visit http://www.akc.org/invitational/2011/index.cfm?text_event_number=2011277101



MEET THE BREEDS

Our club is hosting the "Meet The Breeds" booth at the AKC/Eukanuba National Championship on December 17th and 18th in Orlando. This is a great opportunity to educate prospective buyers and showcase our wonderful breed, as well as our club and it's rescue program.

We need Wheatens and their owners to help man the booth on both days. If we have enough people involved, it will be easier and more fun for all of us. If you have the time to help, and haven't yet signed up... contact Kathi Elliot at

KELLIOT@TAMPABAY.RR.COM

Please let us know the times you can be available on Saturday and/or Sunday. We would like to have representation from all facets of our club; pets, rescue, and performance dogs, including but not limited to conformation, agility, obedience, and herding.

Kathi Elliot

SCWTCGTB MEMBER EUKANUBA QUALIFIERS

- ★ CH Canopy Road's Far Out "Storm"
- ★ CH Inishkeen's Pillow Full O'Petals, "Sachet"
- ★ GCH Greentree Moonstruck Mombo Man "Ricky"
- ★ "BRONZE" GCH Moonstruck Sanddollar Sassy Salsa "Sassy"
- ★ GCH Moonstruck Million Dollar Baby "Rocky"
- ★ "BRONZE" GCH Sho-Well's Bree's Boy Toy "Bentley"
- ★ GCH Sundance Second Chance "Bentley"

CELEBRATING SENIORS



Happy 14th
birthday Caiti!

Sandcastle's Bar the Door
Owned by: Beth Rudy

★HAPPY★
BIRTHDAY!



Happy 13th
birthday Jasmine!

CH Canopy Road Calebran
Jasmine
Owned by: Dennis &
Bonnie Wirth

IN THE KITCHEN WITH DARCY

Champion Cheese & Veggies Chews

1/2 cup grated cheese -- room temp.

3 tablespoons vegetable oil

3 teaspoons applesauce

1/2 cup vegetables -- what ever you like

1 cup whole wheat flour (or flour of your choice)

nonfat milk

Mix cheese, oil and applesauce together. Add veggies, and flour. Combine thoroughly. Add just enough milk to help form a ball. Cover and chill for one hour.

Roll onto a floured surface and cut into shapes. Bake in a preheated 375 degree oven for 15 minutes or until golden brown. Let cool.



UPCOMING EVENTS

October 9, 2011

SCWTCA Specialty Shows
Montgomery KC, Blue Bell, PA

October 22, 2011

3rd annual East Coast Picnic
and DNA collection clinic
West Palm Beach, FL
(See Attached Flyer)

November 12, 2011

SCWTCGTB Annual Dinner
Southern Hills Plantation Club
4200 Summit View Drive
Brooksville, FL 34601

(check ww.flwheatenclub.org for additional details,
and more to follow)

December 17-18, 2011

AKC Eukanuba National Dog Show, Orlando, FL

We need your
participation
for the health
of our dogs!

WHEATEN DNA COLLECTION DRIVE & PICNIC

We need your help with 2 research projects that are critical to our Wheaten's health and the future of this wonderful breed;

1. SCWT LIFETIME HEALTH STUDY (FREE)

by the NIH (National Institute of Health), Canine Genomics

Objective:

- Identify genes responsible for diseases prevalent in SCWTs

Participant Requirements:

- Attend DNA collection Drive (10/22 in WPB) and give blood sample
- Purebred Wheatens born between Jan. 1, 2006 and Dec. 31, 2010
- Complete initial health survey, and annual surveys thereafter
- Three generation pedigree

2. CANINE PHENOME PROJECT (\$20 EXTRACTION FEE)

by the University of Missouri, College of Veterinary Medicine

Objective:

- Establish DNA bank for future genetic research, initial focus on PLN and PLE

Participant Requirements:

- Attend DNA collection Drive (10/22 in WPB) and give blood sample
- Purebred Wheatens, name of parents or 3 generation pedigree, no age requirements
- On line enrollment of dog required prior to day of clinic: enroll at www.caninephenome.org. Please bring print-out of registration number you obtain by pre-registering. \$20 extraction fee.

Please join us for food, fun, and Wheaten games at our 3rd annual East Coast Picnic sponsored by The Soft Coated Wheaten Terrier Club of Greater Tampa Bay (SCWTCGTB)... where you can donate your Wheaten's blood sample and support these important projects.

Those who donate samples will participate in a raffle for a beautiful signed print of a Wheaten puppy (donated by Helen Moreland)

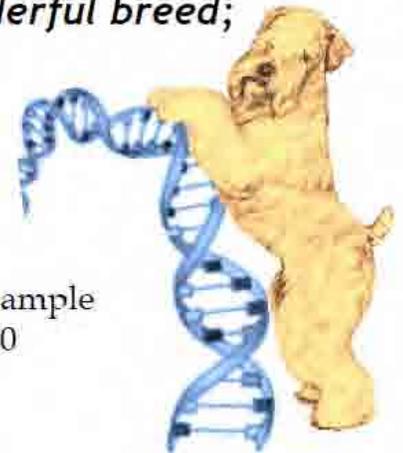
Date: Saturday, October 22nd, 2011

Time: 11:00 am - 2:30 pm

Location: Okeeheelee Park, 7715 Forest Hill Blvd., West Palm Beach, FL

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