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# WHEATEN WORDS



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## A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

### Greetings to everyone in Soft Coated Wheaten Terrier Club of Greater Tampa Bay!

The thoughts of Thanksgiving always conjures up thoughts of fall weather, turkey, and gatherings of family and friends. While we are actually approaching Spring, I wanted to take this opportunity to express my thanks and gratitude to all our members. Annually, we have new members who join the club. As well, we have members who have been with us for many years. Some of those members no longer have a Wheaten but faithfully renew their membership each year. For this I am grateful. For all the years I have been a member I had a choice to attend club events, but for the past two years the choice has not been ours. As a result of attending events, I have formed lifelong friendships. It is disappointing that we have not been able to gather together as we have in the past but I know in time that will change. When it does I encourage everyone to consider attending the events. I miss talking to old members and meeting new members. I especially miss meeting their wonderful Wheatens. I am grateful to all who are serving and have served on the board. The appreciation to all who have, and continue, to offer their time and service when needed can not be overstated.

During the last board meeting there was discussion about adding a post to encourage members on the club's Facebook page to donate in honor of Betty White's 100<sup>th</sup> birthday. The generosity was overwhelming considering it was at the same time as dues were being renewed which often are accompanied by donations to Rescue, Health, and Murffy's Raining Day Fund. Thank you to all who contributed. One more thing for which to be grateful.

We will once again be participating in the Giving Challenge on April 26-27 from noon to noon. We are hoping to raise even more funds than over the past two challenges in which we have participated. ☺

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In the past, funds up to \$100 have been generously matched by The Patterson Foundation and we expect that to be the case again this year. Considering we have not been holding events that generate club funds from silent auctions and boutique sales, this event will be our number one fundraiser for the year. All donations benefit Rescue.

Lastly, like many of you I share in the sadness experienced with the recent passing of Susie Blackledge. She was such a wonderful part of the Wheaten Community for many years. She will be missed by all the lives, with four legs or two, she touched over the years.

Thank you as always for your continued membership, support, and generosity.

**Cindy Jacuk**  
President



## **Susie Blackledge**

**by Ann McCormick**

Susie Blackledge was my friend. We met many years ago on social media when she asked a question regarding how knowing your dog's pedigree could reveal risk factors for genetic diseases in Wheatens. Her first Wheaten came from a pet store in 2007 with a pedigree, what could we learn about Riley from it? I entered his pedigree in my K9ped database to see. There were one or two US Champions four generations behind each parent, one was on the Open Registry PLN affected. A few other dogs had produced PLE/PLN, or Addison's within 4 generations of Riley. From the data we had, Riley had a 19% risk of being a carrier of PLN, 13% risk of being a carrier of PLE, 2% risk of being affected with Addison's. When I told her these statistics were far better than many of the dogs being shown and bred at the time, she was relieved. She took Riley to classes and learned Agility with him. She worked hard and they excelled! Riley eventually became MACH2 Roberts Sugarbear Riley MX3 MJS2 OF.

Susie did more. Riley needed a friend so she and Robert adopted Teddy through SCWTCTB Rescue, and joined our club to learn more about Wheatens. Later, Robert went to purchase a sailboat that he found on Craig's List. He found that the people had also listed their Wheaten, so he brought Darby home too.

So now when Susie and Riley practiced agility, Teddybear Jump For Joy and Darbydoo And Sailboat Too practiced with them. Though they were not as excited about competition as their brother they did compete and win, and they all participated in Susie's agility demonstrations at our annual picnics. When Riley died, and Teddy soon after, Susie found a new performance partner in Connor, and she worked hard to learn Conformation with him as well.

Susie stepped up to join the SCWTCGTB Board of Directors as a voice for performance sports, and soon volunteered to fill an officer vacancy. She was the best Recording Secretary I ever worked with, draft minutes were in my inbox an hour or two after the meeting ended! Susie resigned her position when she was receiving cancer treatments, but came back to fill another vacancy while in remission. She also launched and served as Administrator of the Soft Coated Wheaten Terrier Club of Greater Tampa Bay Facebook Page until just recently. Through this project she excelled as a great teaching resource.

Susie is greatly missed, but she just picked up her three Wheatens at the Rainbow Bridge!



## CELEBRATING OUR SENIOR WHEATENS

### **Guinness**

13 years old on Feb 22, 2022

Owned and Loved by Merle & Valerie Nicholson

The photo was taken standing on his grooming table. He jumps to the table using a small stool and he's rewarded with a few pieces of food. He's combed out and brushed every day and cooperates fully by turning ("turn around") on command. We brush his teeth every other day with an electric toothbrush voluntarily laying on his back, feet up. He loves everyone he meets, and goes everywhere with us even on extended car trips to Seattle and Colorado.

He shows very little sign of aging at 13 other than shortening his walks. He's smart, happy, friendly and polite all the time. What a great dog.🐾





The Board of the SCWTCGTB would like to thank the following members and friends for donating to our Health, Murffy and/or Rescue funds.

Cheryl Vandewalle  
Marjorie Lorand  
Scott & Rosa Mathews  
Steve & Melissa Nelson  
Deborah Wolford  
Nancy Griffin  
Laurie & Jerry Halpern  
Amy Tronolone  
Lenny & Susie Pruyne  
Cathy Yount  
David & Michelle Lefont  
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Bonnie & John Harrison  
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Amanda & Steve Lachterman  
Merle & Valerie Nicholson  
Merrilee Cole  
Bonnie & Dennis Worth



When shopping on Amazon, please go to [smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com) and select our Rescue - Soft Coated Wheaten Terrier Club Of Greater Tampa Bay Inc.  
You use your existing Amazon user name and password. Many of your purchases result in a



## NEW MEMBERS

**Welcome to the Soft  
Coated Wheaten Terrier  
Club of Greater Tampa  
Bay**

Lino Dardchun  
Miami  
Lauralee & Morgan Barnes  
Birmingham

# RESCUE REPORT

In December we were contacted by 5 year old Maggie's family in St. Pete. Mom and Dad work long hours and have two small children. In addition, Maggie is not particularly good with other dogs, having been attacked by another dog at a younger age. Brad Peyton in Tavares adopted Maggie and is committed to working with her and her issues. She is doing well.



A couple in Miami who had a rescue dog of ours for many years, bought a Wheaten puppy at a pet store. 5 month old Lily (now Hilda) proved to be too much for them to handle. The Barnes in Birmingham AL adopted another Wheaten from us in the past and decided to adopt Hilda. A friend of theirs from Miami was driving up to see them, so Hilda hitched a ride with him, making transport easy. They of course adore her.



In January we were contacted by 10 year old Koko's owner in Bradenton. He was working long hours and downsizing from a house with a fenced yard to a condo. Koko was alone too much and deserved better. The Janik's in Bradenton went and got Koko and report that she is a delightful dog.



Mr. Wizard, who is 7, was adopted out by our Rescue team 6 years ago. Sadly, his owner became very ill and is no longer able to care for him. Her amazing neighbor was caring for Mr. Wizard but he needed a home, he was home alone 24/7. She says he is the sweetest dog ever - she would have kept him but has 3 dogs. Mr. Wizard is currently in a foster to adopt home in Boca Raton and doing great. They recently lost a Wheaten they adopted from our Rescue.

During 2021, we placed 14 dogs, another slow year for Rescue. This is not necessarily a bad thing! Many thanks to all of you who support our rescue endeavors!

Melissa Nelson  
Rescue Co-coordinator

# Dog Show

By Linda Hallas

The Saint Petersburg Dog Fanciers Association dog show will be held at the Tampa Fairgrounds on June 18, 2022. Our club will be supporting the entry and offering big beautiful ribbons for the winners. This is a conformation show where a Judge will be selecting the wheaten that most closely adheres to our written breed standard. The breed standard details the ideal size, weight, coat texture, body proportions, head shape, ear and tail set, eye color and yes the big black nose! It also addresses temperament. All of the wheatens must be intact to participate as the purpose of a show is to evaluate breeding stock. It is a wonderful opportunity to see a lovely group of wheatens and meet the breeders who are working hard to preserve the breed. Everyone is welcome and there are other dog events held in conjunction with the show such as dog diving and barn hunt which are also fun to watch.



## 2020 SCWTCGTB Awards

Due to the pandemic and cancellations of events, we were unable to hold an awards ceremony in 2021. We didn't forget you though! Congratulations to the following members and their Wheatens who were awarded AKC titles in 2020. Your plaques and "dingles" will be mailed to you.

Kathi Elliot and Bill & Liz Bonney

CH Ainle 'Til There Was You

1/9/2020

Kathi Elliot

CH Kilronan On The Border

2/21/2020

Kathi Elliot and Denise De Angelis

Sunny Sailor Boy, CGC

12/2/2020

Linda Robison

CH Amaden's She's Got The Look

11/15/2020

CH Villanova Deja Vu

2/6/2020



## CALL FOR AWARDS RECOGNITION

What activities did you do with your Wheaten during the pandemic? Did you receive an AKC award or title for participating in a virtual competition such as Rally or Trick Dog? Some of you attended dog shows and earned Conformation, Obedience, Barn Hunt, FastCat, or other titles. Our club recognizes members who receive AKC Certificates for all these events with a plaque with your name, and as many "dingles" to hang from the plaque as your dogs earn titles. You must apply annually for awards earned in the previous year.

This is a call for applications for SCWTCGTB Recognition of awards won by Wheatens owned/co-owned by club member(s) in 2021 (January 1, 2021 - December 31, 2021)

1. Full name of club members
2. Email address of club member(s)
3. Full AKC name of the dog (no call names) with initials of past titles (not the new one).
4. Full name of the new award won and initials of the award.
5. The date the Wheaten received the award.

Please let me know if this is a first award for one of your dogs, so a plaque can be ordered (one plaque per family).  
All this information needs to be sent to Ann McCormick at [inishkeenwheatens@gmail.com](mailto:inishkeenwheatens@gmail.com) by April 15, 2022.

Thanks so much



The Jackie Kase Award, the Gail Richvalsky Award, the Outstanding Support of Wheaten Rescue Award will not be awarded this year due to the pandemic.



### SCWTCGTB BOARD 4/1/22

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# IN THE KITCHEN

## KACI & ELVIS

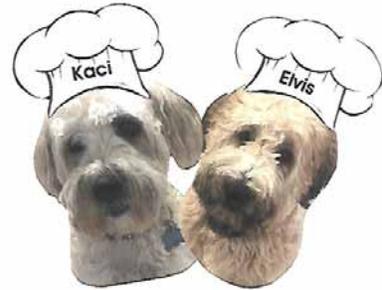
### Peanut Butter Cookies

#### Ingredients:

- 1/4 cup peanut butter
- 1 cup water
- 1 cup oatmeal
- 1 tablespoon vegetable oil
- 2 1/4 cups whole wheat flour

#### Directions:

- Preheat oven to 375 degrees.
- In a large bowl combine peanut butter, oil, and water.
- Gradually add flour, then oatmeal.
- Roll dough to 1/4 inch thickness and cut with a cookie cutter.
- Place on an ungreased cookie sheet.
- Bake at 375 degrees for 35 minutes.
- Makes 2 1/2 dozen.



Recipe submitted by  
Gail Cox, Kaci & Elvis





# SHOW RESULTS

**GCH CH Trinity's Par Ti All Along the Watchtower  
"Dylan"**



February 5, 2022  
Breeder: Michelle & Raymond Serafin  
Handlers: Levi Heggie and Donna Bravo Hills  
Owner: Terry Fein

**CH Wheaten Lane's Flower in the Rain  
"Tulip"**



December 14, 2021  
New Champion  
Bred and Owned by Nancy Griffin

**GCH CH Adako Villanova Deja Vu**

**Miss Boo**

January 2022

8 BOS & 5 Selects

February 2022

3 BOS, 1 Group 3, 5 Selects

Breeders: Brittany Phelps and

Ray and Melissa Pickett

Owner: Linda Robison



## PERFORMANCE RESULTS

AKC Canine Good Citizen Title  
Sandcastle's Aingeal of Comfort and Joy.  
(Elvis)

Bred by Sherri Kase-McKenzie

Owned by Gail & Richard Cox

Title earned 2/21/22



## LITTER ANNOUNCEMENT

Linda Robison, Emily Holden and Jeri Voyes are proud to announce the arrival of five beautiful Wheatens (3 girls and two boys.)  
; They arrived on February 21, 2022

**Sire, GCH MackandMe  
One and Only (Solo)**



**Dam, GCH CH  
Amaden's She's Got  
The Look (Callie)**

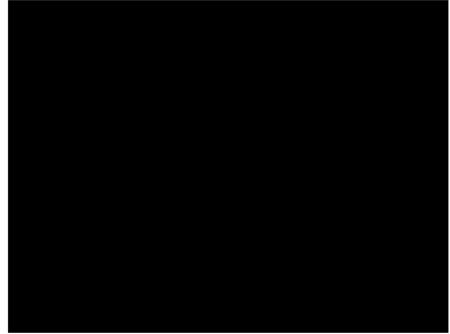


# Maui Cook

Grooming Demonstration

Copy and paste the link into y our  
browser to watch the video:

<https://youtu.be/CE7KmQXDhAQ>



## SCWTCGTB

### SAVE THE DATE!

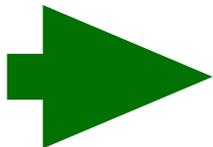
June 18, 2022

Tampa Fairgrounds - St. Pete Dog Fanciers  
Association Dog Show



## NEWSLETTER DEADLINES

Photos of adorable Wheatens  
Articles for future newsletters  
Braggs  
Senior Wheatens (13 yo or older)  
Celebrations of Life  
Show Results  
Performance Results  
Litter Announcements  
Rescue updates



Next Newsletter Deadline  
May 31, 2022

All braggs and show results must have occurred between  
March 1, 2022 and May 31, 2022!

Email Debie at [flwheaten@gmail.com](mailto:flwheaten@gmail.com) with your information!