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IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS

MARCH, 2013 BOARD MEETING MINUTES

(No conference call was held this month. A vote of unanimity was received for the following items.)

The February, 2013 Board Meeting Minutes were approved by the Board.

The March, 2013 Treasurer's Report were approved as submitted to the Board.

New Membership Vote – No new or lapsed membership applications appeared in the January, 2013 Newsletter.

The Board approved a letter to be included in AKC Judges Newsletter.

Board approved letter rescinding approval to STCCF for June 2013 Show due to undocked silky terrier displayed in Club's logo not in accordance with AKC Silky Terrier Standard.

Discussion Item(s):

Announcement to Membership and Judges Letter in STCA newsletter.

Submitted by:

Rebecca Turner – STCA Secretary

NEW MEMBERS APPLICATIONS

Please send requests for new member application forms to:

Suzanne M. Detwiler
1 Clipper Rd. Unit A
Rancho Palos Verdes, CA 90275-5956
310-541-6594
suzie@msdetwiler.com

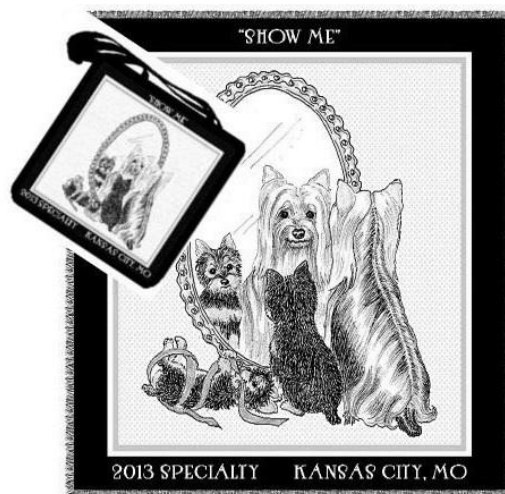
New Applications received in February:

One application was received as lapsed.

TREASURER'S REPORT

February 2013

	Feb 2013	TOTAL 2013
Receipts	\$ 1,393.00	\$ 3,518.65
Expenses	1,622.89	3,155.00
Net Increase	\$ (229.89)	\$ 363.65
STCA General Fund		\$32,040.33
Agility Trial Fund		17.59
Health Fund		12,703.81
Legislation Fund		1,086.98
TOTAL		\$45,848.71



"Show Me" art work by Nan Holt
Beautiful Woven Throw/Tote Bag
Offered for Kansas City, MO Specialty
4 X 5 approx. Size of throw - \$65.00
Tapestry 'lined' tote bag - \$40.00
Pricing includes all S & H
Very Limited number available at Specialty
Order now and have shipped to your home.
Send checks to: Pat Schaedler, P.O. Box 2934,
Playa del Rey, CA 90296-5934
PayPal: treasclub@yahoo.com

ANNOUNCEMENT STCA MEMBERSHIP

Due to inquiries and requests received from members of STCA to Board Members, a letter has been sent to the AKC Judges Newsletter Mar. 2013. The letter states the STCA's Board and Membership position in regards to the Silky Terrier being judged by the accepted AKC Standard.

This announcement is to inform the membership of the actions of the Board. It is also to remind all members of the policies & procedures stated in the STCA Code of Ethics and Bylaws by which every member of STCA is governed. If you have any questions please contact an STCA Board member, we are here to serve the membership.

“The purpose of a standard is to be a guide for breeders and judges. As such, it is important to keep in mind those features that make the breed unique, those qualities the breed must possess to do the job for which it was created. A standard should emphasize what is important in the breed.” Taken from the AKC Guidelines for writing a breed standard.

In applying for membership, applicants have agreed to abide by the Constitution and Bylaws of the Silky Terrier Club of America, Inc., which states in Article 1, Sec. 3 (a through f) and the Code of Ethics

“To accept and follow the Standard of the breed as adopted by The American Kennel Club.“

The above statement allows for any STCA Member to file a complaint against another member for not adhering to Bylaws and Code of Ethics of STCA under same rules as other complaints (proper fee applies). The Board has been advised by AKC this is grounds for suspension or expulsion as not adhering to Bylaws and Code of Ethics of STCA. Not docking a tail is in direct defiance of the accepted STCA and AKC Silky Terrier Standard and something which a breeder has total control over (unlike an inherited issue).

Once a complaint has been filed it will be handled in a uniform and just manner, first with an investigation by Code of Ethics (COE) committee with a summary of facts presented to the Board. The Board will review the complaints with consideration to any standing rules and special exceptions and/or exemptions that may factor into the complaint. It is possible that the Board will advance the complaint to the membership for vote at an annual meeting. It is important to understand that ethics complaints lodged and could result in suspension and/or ultimately expulsion.

STCA is now partnering with a large number breed clubs, who also include docking and/or cropping are in their breed standards, in addressing common issues. In discussions with AKC: We have been informed the AKC will never mandate a breed club to include anything in a breed standard. Parent Clubs are the owner of their individual breed standards. The rumors that AKC will require undocked tails be accepted in all AKC standards is untrue and unsubstantiated.

SILKY TERRIER CLUB OF AMERICA, INC.



Date: March 7, 2013
To: All AKC Licensed Toy Breed Judges
From: Silky Terrier Club of America, Inc. – Board & Members

The Silky Terrier Standard, adopted by the American Kennel Club (AKC) in 1959 with revision in 1989, is the standard by which the Silky Terrier is to be judged. The Silky Terrier Club of America (STCA) membership was polled as to their preference for docked or undocked tails. The results of the poll were overwhelming that the membership DO NOT wish the standard changed to include “undocked tails”.

The statement regarding tails in the AKC Silky Terrier Standard is written in the affirmative and states:

“The tail is docked, set high and carried at twelve to two o’clock position.”

An undocked tail is a man-made fault not an inherited fault. Therefore, this deviation is NOT allowed. A Silky Terrier shown with an undocked tail does not meet the AKC Silky Terrier Standard.

In applying for membership, applicants have agreed to abide by the Constitution and Bylaws of the Silky Terrier Club of America, Inc., which states in Article 1, Section 3 (a) and (b):

“(a) Encourage and promote quality in the breeding of purebred Silky Terriers and do all possible to bring their natural qualities to perfection.”

“(b) Accept and follow the standard of the breed as adopted by the Silky Terrier Club of America and approved by the American Kennel Club.

STCA as the parent club is charged with maintaining the integrity of the breed. The Board of Directors of STCA understands its obligations and responsibility to follow the mandate from the majority of our membership in regard to issue of undocked tails. STCA requests that all judges who judge our breed to do so according to the AKC approved standard.

If you should have any questions regarding the Silky Terrier Standard, please feel free to contact our Judges’ Education Chairperson, Florence Males at weebly@aol.com or the President of the STCA, Norma Baugh at amronbear@aol.com.

We appreciate your interest in our breed and hope that you find this clarification helpful as you judge the Silky Terrier. The following characteristics, from the Silky Terrier Breed Standard, describe the essence of the Silky Terrier.

- Dark almond shape eyes with dark rims and keen expression.
- Coat straight, and silky in texture, not approaching floor length to follow body outline.
- Ears small, erect, on top of head with no flaring.
- Moderately low set body with strong but rather fine bone.
- Body is 1/5 longer from fore chest to buttocks than height at withers to floor.
- Strong teeth with scissor bite.
- Chest drops to elbow – with legs set ‘under’ the body.
- Topline is level.
- Neck is medium long, fine, and fits gracefully into sloping shoulders.
- Gait is free; light footed, and straightforward with strong propelling power from hindquarters.
- Temperament shows strong terrier characteristics being alert, friendly and quick.

SPECIALTY REMINDERS

Specialty Guides are available electronically and may be downloaded from the STCA Specialties web site:
<http://STCASpecialties.yolasite.com>

Just a reminder to start getting your catalog advertising in to Tarianne Terrazas for the 2013 Silky Terrier Club of America Catalog. The deadline is April 20, 2013.

Full Page: \$50.00 includes one photo

Back Cover: \$150

Inside Back or Front: \$100

\$10 Charge for Additional Photos

Ads need to be camera ready. If you are not able to put together your advertisement in a camera ready fashion, Tarianne will do that for you for a **\$25.00 donation to the Specialty Fund** and she must have your content with photo(s) no later than April 1, 2013.

Details and a form for Advertisements can be found on the STCA Specialties Web Site at <http://STCASpecialties.yolasite.com>

You can mail checks for payment to Patricia Schaedler at this address: PO Box 5934 Playa del Rey, CA 90296 or use the convenience of PayPal on the STCA Specialties web site.

Place an ad to show off your new puppies, your current champion or grand champion, your veteran, or just place an ad to wish your friends well as they compete in Kansas City, MO.

You can also send up to 3 lines of Well Wishes (one line remembrances) for \$10.00 or single Well Wishes for \$5.00 each. Well wishes are a great way to thank someone who has been particularly helpful to you or a way to say good luck to your friends.

Any questions just let Tarianne know: Tarianne@Silky-Terrier.com or call (505) 350-8040.

KANSAS CITY 2013 TOP 20 SHOWCASE EVENT

Top 20 invitation packets went in the mail on March 8th. Please make note of the April 20th DEADLINE!! Entries, fees, bio's, pedigrees and photos must be received by April 20th to allow time for catalog printing. If information is not received by the deadline, it cannot be included in the catalog. Previous Top 20 winners are invited to participate as "exhibition only". Please return those information forms so we know how many will be exhibiting.

Remember, we need your support to make this event successful. Donations can be made through PayPal by sending funds to treasclub@yahoo.com or by making checks payable to the STCA and mailing your donation to Pat Schaedler, P.O. Box 5934, Playa del Rey, CA 90296. Be sure to note on your check or PayPal memo that you are a Top 20 benefactor.....and thanks so much for your continued support of this event!

Wendy Harmon
2013 Top 20 Chair

STCA Rates and Room block are Valid Only through April 19, 2013

You will likely NOT get a room after this date and if you get a room the rates will be significantly higher!

This hotel hosts many groups and conventions – it is fully expected to sell out. Do not delay, make a reservation.

You can cancel up to 48 hours in advance without penalty.

Hello, Everyone!

With the National Specialty fast approaching I would like everyone to PLEASE READ AND CONTACT ME ASAP if you feel you meet the requirements to receive a first champion pin as they will be distributed during the Awards Banquet at the Specialty. All champions finished in 2012 should have received their champion certificate by now. When applying, please let me know if you plan to attend the Specialty. If not I will mail your pin to you.

Pins are awarded to STCA MEMBERS ONLY. It is not done automatically. You must apply for it. The requirements are:

1. Owners must be STCA members, in good standing, BEFORE the dog finishes. This does not mean the dog has to be your very first champion. Only that it's your first champion as an STCA member.
2. Only owners whose names are on the AKC Champion certificate are eligible.
3. Like all other awards, the qualifying time period is January 1 to December 31 of the year before each Specialty. Awards are NOT awarded retroactively.
4. MEMBERS WITH SILKY TEENS, PLEASE TAKE NOTE:
If your Teen is active and showing your Silky, please add their name as a registered co-owner of the dog so that their name will appear on the champion certificate, making them eligible for a pin. We don't want to disappoint them.
5. To apply send a photo copy of your AKC Champion certificate to:
Beth Johanson
2600 Sacramento Street
St. Joseph, MO. 64507-1441
OR
jaraysilkys@yahoo.com
6. DEADLINE for applying is May 1, 2013.

You are only awarded ONE PIN. If you lose it, you may purchase a replacement at \$10.00 from STCA.

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OF OUR NEW CHAMPIONS!!!

Beth Johanson