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Editors: Vandra Huber

December, 2024

Upcoming Events

Tuesday,
Dec. 17, 2024
7:00 p.m.

3rd Tuesday of December
Annual Club Meeting
Zoom

Saturday
January 4, 2025
2-6 p.m.

New Year Party
Poodle Dog Restaurant
Rainer Room
1522 54th Ave E, Fife, WA 98424

Friday
January 10, 2025
Time set by Baray

WSSTC Specialty/ATCWW Shows
Winter Specialty
Judge Robert Alvarez Montoya
Sweeps: Adrian Sanchez

**Entries close early on Friday,
December 20, 2024 Noon**

Saturday
January 11, 2025
High Noon

WSSTC Free Lunch
Join Us at Noon in Grooming Area
for Eats and Going Over Stud dogs.
Bring Your Pedigrees

Tuesday,
Jan. 21, 2025
7:00 p.m.

Monthly Meeting via zoom

Meet the Stud Dogs

**Bring Your Current/Future Scottie
Stud Dog
Let Others Go Over Him**

AND GET A FREE LUNCH

**Noon, Saturday, January 11, 2025
Grooming Area
After Scottish Terriers Are Judged**

Specialty Ready to Go



The January specialty is ready to go. It will be held on Friday, January 10, 2025 concurrently with the All Terrier Club of Western Washington. Events will get underway no earlier than 1 p.m. at the Puyallup Fair Park. Entry to the show is free. There is a fee for parking.

This year's judges for our specialty are:

**Judge Robert Alvarez Montoya
Sweeps: Adrian Sanchez
Junior Showmanship: Terri Erickson**

If you plan to enter, you must enter each show and each dog separately. There is a sweepstakes for Scottish Terriers under the age of 24 months. They may or may not be champions. The regular classes

Because of when Christmas occurs, be sure and enter early. Entries close on Friday, December 20, 2024 at noon.

You will need to enter separately:

- WSSTC Specialty Sweeps, Regular and Juniors
- ATCWW Bred By, Regular Classes and Juniors
- 3 All breed Shows

Members of the WSSTC have been sent separately a trophy donation form. This year's trophies feature handmade pottery made by WSSTC Vice President Cheryl James. All the pottery features glazed Scottish Terriers !

The superintendent for the show is Barayevents.com.
If you have a dog



Upcoming Dog Shows

Jan. 10, 2025 WSSTC Specialty and ATCWW
Closes BARAY Events
Dec. 20 2024

January 11-13 2025 Western Washington Winter
Closes Cluster
Dec. 20 2024 BARAY Events

Wed. Jan. 15, 2025 Terrier Association of Oregon
Closes Jan. 2, 2025 Onofrio.com
Closes Oct. 15, 2024
Scottie Judge Richard Powell

Jan. 16-19, 2025 Rose City Cluster
Closes Jan. 2, 2025 Onofrio.com

Judges are: David Harris, Vicki Abbott, Bob Shreve and Charlotte Patterson.

New WSSTC 2025 Officers

At its November meeting, the Washington State Scottish Terrier Club elected new officers who will serve one-year terms. Offices include:

President **Vandra L. Huber**

Vice President **Cheryl James**

Secretary **Alina Briazgunova**

Treasurer **Michael Krolewski**

Board of Directors **Martha Smith**
Giselle Drew
Oleg Dolgikh

SEND GOOD CHEER & BEST WISHES

Cub Member Barb Casey is still recovering from a stroke.

She could use some good cheer. Let's all send her a get well, thinking of you, or holiday card. No emails or phone calls right now.

Barbara Casey
44565 Sahhali Drive
Neskowin, OR 97149



SCOTTIE REINDEER COOKIES

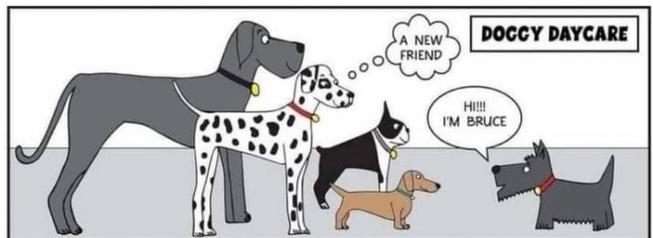
INGREDIENTS

- 1 pack Scottie dog cookies Make your own or use Walker's shortbread cookies
- 1 bag chocolate coated pretzels
- 1 bag red sweeties
- Melted chocolate

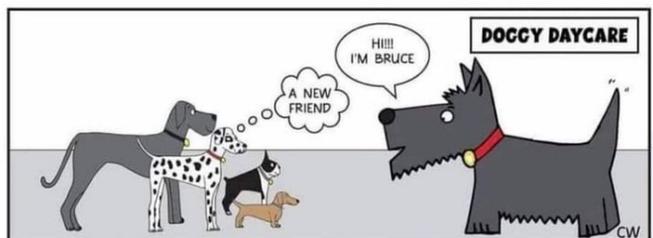
INSTRUCTIONS

- Layout all 9 Scottie Dog Shortbread shapes on a baking tray.
- Fix a red nose on the Scottie Dog with a blob of melted chocolate or icing.
- Chop up a pretzel and attach to the head with melted chocolate to make the antlers.
- Let Shortbread sit until the chocolate has set.
- Enjoy!

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HOW OTHER DOGS SEE A SCOTTIE



HOW A SCOTTIE SEES OTHER DOGS



WSSTC New Years Party

Saturday, January 4, 2025

2 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Poodle Dog Restaurant

Rainer Room

(Ask for Directions at the Restaurant. It's far right of front door)

1522 54th Ave E.

Fife, WA 98424

Homestyle Tasty Food

Club Members will order off the menu.
Individual Bills Provided. 20% Gratuity and Taxes Added.
Room Rental Paid by the Club

Yankee Gift Exchange

Each Person Brings a Wrapped Dog or Scottie-Themed Gift

Costing \$30 or Less

Each person draws a number and gifts are chosen
or swapped in that order. A gift is retired after it's been stolen twice.

RSVP if possible by December 31, 2024 to Giselle Dew at
giselledew@gmail.com or (360) 301-4500. If plans change
still come. We just need a rough count!



WSSTC President Vandra Huber Named AKC's Terrier Breeder of 2024

The American Kennel Club® (AKC®) this month named Dr. Vandra L. Huber as its 2024 Terrier Breeder of the Year. She joins 6 other group honorees who will compete for the top honor of AKC breeder of the Year at this year's Royal Canin Annual Dog Show.

"It is our pleasure to honor this array of esteemed breeders," said Dennis Sprung, AKC President and CEO. "These individuals have made important contributions to the sport and to the betterment of their breeds, with a strong commitment to temperament and health. Dogs bearing the honorees' kennel names are a testament to their excellent and responsible breeding programs."

The 2024 AKC Breeder of the Year award will be presented during the evening competition of the AKC National Championship presented by Royal Canin on Saturday, December 14, 2024. It can be watched via AKC television channel.

Growing up, Dr. Vandra Huber had always wanted a Scottish Terrier, so when she graduated from college, she moved out of the family home and rewarded herself with a pet Scottish Terrier. Forward 10 years, she discovered the sport of purebred dogs and wanted to be an active part of it. She acquired her foundation bitch, Ch. Maggie McMuffin V and hasn't looked back since.

With the support of her husband Michael Krolewski, Vandra founded McVan Scottish Terriers in 1982. A boutique kennel, McVan® Scottish Terriers typically produces only one or two litters a year. From the beginning, the focus has always been on quality, not quantity.

In 1995, Vandra had the good fortune to meet Dorene Cross and her daughter Rebecca who attended the Scottish Terrier Club of America (STCA) rotating specialty in Washington State. Vandra introduced herself and congratulated 16-year-old Rebecca on going BOWs. While Vandra and Dorene each kept their kennel names (McVan and Beameups), they became breeding partners. Twenty years ago, Cheryl James also joined the McVan breeding family. "Since we no longer have the large kennels of the past, success today requires teamwork among similarly committed breeders" Vandra notes.

McVan Scottish Terriers have achieved some of the highest honors a breeder can receive. Scottish Terriers owned or bred by Vandra have gone Best in Show at



four of the most prestigious dog shows in world — the Westminster Kennel Club, Crufts, the Euro Asia Dog Show and Benelux World Show. McVan Scottish Terriers have won the Scottish Terrier Club of America's (STCA) National Specialty 17 times. McVan Scottish Terriers also hold the record for winning the most Scottish Terrier specialties in breed history and have garnered more than 55 Best in Show awards.

Vandra has been an AKC judge for more than 25 years and currently judges Terriers, Toys, Herding, most Non-Sporting breeds and Junior Showmanship. She has judged the STCA's national specialty and will judge it again in 2025. She also has judged specialties in all four groups. She routinely mentors prospective judges on terriers and Scottish Terriers specifically.

Vandra and Michael have served on the Board of Directors of the Scottish Terrier Club of America (STCA). Vandra was the co-founder of the STCA's top 20 and is currently the editor of the STCA's upcoming 125th anniversary handbook. Both Vandra and Michael have been recipients of STCA's silver service medallions. Other national awards including the STCA's most prestigious Lloyd Award and the Scottish Terrier Club of California's National and Rotating Best of Breed Breeder's Awards as well as many others. Vandra is the president of the Washington Scottish Terrier Club (WSSTC), and Michael is the treasurer. Both are members of the Olympic Kennel Club and have been officers of the All-Terrier Club of Western Washington (ATCWW).

Tips for Stress-Free Scottie Holiday

By Stephanie Gibeault
American Kennel Club

Including your dog in festive holiday celebrations is all part of the fun of the season. However, your dog might not be feeling the same holiday spirit as you. At the end of the year, things don't look, sound, or even smell like they usually do, and that can cause canine confusion and anxiety. Problem behaviors tend to flare up, and there are many dangers and stressors to be aware of. To make sure your dog enjoys the merriment as much as you do, here are some holiday safety tips.

Be Aware of Holiday Dangers

Decorating the house is a holiday tradition for many families, but the change in scenery can be stressful and even dangerous for dogs. Water in the Christmas tree reservoir and some plants, such as poinsettias, can potentially cause vomiting or diarrhea if they're eaten. Ornaments and tinsel pose a choking hazard, and strings of lights mean exposed wires running through the house, which are dangerous if your dog decides to chew on them. Puppy-proof your house during the holidays, just as you did when you first brought your dog home, keeping an eye out for possible dangers.

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Avoid Tummy Troubles

Food can be a big part of the holidays. Sharing table scraps with your dog might seem harmless, but rich, fatty, or spicy foods might upset your dog's stomach. Be sparing with the tidbits or forgo them altogether and instead consider making your dog their very own. Some common holiday foods can be toxic to dogs. Chocolate is a favorite treat for people, but can cause serious problems for your dog, even in small amounts. And fruitcake, a seasonal delicacy, may contain dried fruits like raisins. Raisins and grapes can



special homemade doggie treats can cause serious problems for your dog, even in small amounts. Fruitcake, a seasonal delicacy, may contain dried fruits like raisins. Raisins and grapes can cause serious problems to your dog's kidneys, even in small doses. Don't let your dog get into the turkey carcass because cooked bones can easily splinter into dangerous fragments. Keep all food, treats, and edible gifts out of reach of your dog. Before the holidays, be sure to brush up on your dog's "Leave It" cue.

Manage the Hustle and Bustle

There is often extra activity and commotion at this time of year with family and friends dropping by to socialize. You might also find your doorbell constantly ringing as a result of packages and additional mail deliveries. These extra callers, particularly those who are unfamiliar, can set an anxious dog on edge or overwhelm them.

Teaching your dog to go to their crate or lie on their bed can be helpful. It gives your dog a quiet place to relax and escape from the noise and fuss. It's also impossible for them to get into mischief, such as counter-surfing or begging, if they're lying on their bed or relaxing in their crate. Be sure to give them a nice chew toy or stuffed KONG to keep them happy while they stay in their special place. If you're still working on your dog's front door manners, this is a good time to bring out a dog gate to block their access and prevent them from practicing bad behaviors, such as jumping on guests.

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