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A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Since the last *Bullytin* your club held its December meeting and Christmas Party at Jackson's restaurant located on Harbor Island in Tampa, FL. Many members attended the meeting and the Christmas party. Everyone had a great time and if you missed this event please join us next year.

The club's annual supported specialty shows were held January 21, 22 and 23, 2011 in Brooksville, Florida. We had a strong panel of judges who drew an entry of 42 Bull Terriers. Exhibitors traveled from California, Mexico and Canada. Ed McLean, our January Show Chairman, did a great job and his vision for future shows is exciting.

This January 2011 marked the 2nd anniversary for the current Board of Directors. I am pleased to report to you some of the accomplishments your Board and the membership achieved:

- 1) The clubs cash balances have increased approximately \$13,000.00 over the last two years.
- 2) The club's membership has increased with active and contributing members.
- 3) The club's membership reviewed

and approved needed changes to the Constitution and By-Laws.

4) The club's Rescue program started from scratch and is now strong and active. A job well done by Rebecca and a strong cast of supporting members lead by Carolyn and Robert Kimbrell.

5) The club's January shows have drawn the required minimum number of entries to qualify for the coveted (3) three point recognition of merit award.

This award is the hardest and most difficult to acquire for the dogs

and if our club can hold this minimum entry of dogs we will be known as one of the regional shows to attend each year.

6) Many club members have been recognized and active in the show ring. Many titles and awards were won by club dogs including New AKC Champions, Recognition of Merit Award winners, Finalists awards at the yearly Silverwood competition, including the prestigious award of Best White Bitch & Best of Opposite Sex to the Silverwood Winner. One of the club dogs was awarded the exclusive title of Brood Bitch Emeritis. This award is given to the very limited number of bitches to whelp in one litter at least three Recognition of Merit award

winners. I congratulate the owners who have dedicated themselves to the betterment of the breed, by breeding, training, grooming, traveling and competing successfully with the best dogs in the Country. Years ago, the Tampa Shows were considered a part of the country with little competition and an easy place to win. Thru your efforts that is not the case any longer.

7) Two years ago our Web site was completely destroyed. Today it is up and running. It is a continual work in progress and a web site all members can be proud of.

8) The *New Bullytin*-- An interesting and informative publication. The consistent publication of the *Bullytin* allows anyone the opportunity to follow the success and accomplishments of the club over the last 24 months. We our very lucky to have the two excellent editors responsible for this publication.

9) Your club has obtained the title of a 501 C3 corporation. Congratulations to the parties involved in this accomplishment!

10) The clubs financial reports have been modified and reviewed by an outside accounting firm. The reports are detailed and available to all members to review on request.

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The BTCTB supported January shows attracted entries from all over the world

Again, I congratulate you, the members, and all the individuals responsible for the accomplishments we have achieved in the last two years. But now we face a major challenge. Can we continue to do the things it requires to be a growing and successful club? With success comes complacency. I believe 2011 will present the club with the biggest challenges to date. We will never stay the same. Either we get bigger and better or the club will slide backwards. The only constant in life is change. So, lets rise to the challenges facing us in 2011 by working together for the betterment of the club!

To our success-

Walt

NEXT MEETING NOTICE
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2011 JANUARY SPECIALTY SHOWS REPORT

Our Winter Specialty Shows were held in Brooksville (Jan. 21st, 22nd and 23rd) and our weekend was a successful event with thanks to everyone that helped out and participated.

We had 42 entries this year which was higher than last year, and it appears as if the entry to ensure that our ROM (Recognition of Merit) points held. Our entry was outstanding (as compared to other specialty shows held around the during the same time frame) and that's a result of having an excellent venue, great hospitality and most importantly - a great panel of judges that BT exhibitors want to show their dogs to.

Our judges were Ms. Jan Dykema (Bestuvall/California), Mr. Bob Thomas (Trebtor/Texas) and Mr. Russell Lamony (Emred/UK). It's important to note that it's extremely important to have a cross-section of judges not only from around the U.S. but from around the world of Bull Terriers. Exhibitors want to see a varied panel of judges from here and abroad to ensure fairness in judging. Another item of note

by **Ed McLean**
Board Member
and January
Show Chair

is that Mr. Bob Thomas (who had to withdraw from his judging assignment with us last year because of health issues) judged for us at no cost to the club and that's very generous on his part.

We're certainly known for our fantastic hospitality suite and this year was no exception! The margaritas were flowing from start to finish and a great time was had by all. BIG THANKS to Rebecca, Dawn, Jan and everyone that helped make that an overwhelming success!

Puppy Pandemonium 3 was a big hit and well-attended. There was a parade of rescues, puppies (both young

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and old) on display for everyone's entertainment and an agility/rally demonstration course.

No shortage of good times at our Winter Specialty Shows. On Friday night we rented the private room at Papa Joe's for everyone to go and re-connect with old friends and make new ones as well. We had well over 50 people dine together and that was a great time at our old traditional favorite on the outskirts of Brooksville.

On Saturday night we held our evening of Southern Hospitality

and Live Auction at the Hernando Room at the host hotel. Guests dined on smoked prime rib, hickory smoked new potatoes and a crisp caesar salad. One of the highlights was our tropical punch - - - that packed a punch! A BIG, BIG THANKS to EVERYONE that helped out! Our guests really enjoyed themselves and the level of that event is a direct reflection of our club's members and their dedication to excellence. We delighted and amazed!

Our Live Auction was another great success this year. Thanks to everyone who donated the many wonderful items for live auction and raffle. The level of items donated never ceases to amaze and there's little doubt that our efforts are a big help to the club's financial resources. Thanks to Dawn for cataloguing the items and to Joan for keeping track of the money! Not an easy job for either of these ladies.

So many people to say THANKS to! Anita Bavol did a wonderful job keeping the paperwork straight with the All-Breed Clubs and judging contracts. Jan O'Nan did a great job with the trophies this year - - getting sponsorship for them and getting them to the ring. Thanks to Lucille for helping with the dog tag machine - - that was a great addition to the weekend! Thanks to Jack for getting the machine running and getting it to the hotel! Thanks to Karen for cooking a fantastic meal on Saturday night! Thanks to Joan for picking up and delivering judges and keeping the money straight! And of course thanks to Walt Bavol for keeping me on course and reminding me to do the little things that a show chairman needs to do!

No question it takes a TOTAL TEAM EFFORT to get this done. Hopefully, I haven't overlooked anyone - and if I did - I'm sorry and THANKS!

SILVERWOOD FEVER!!!

We are getting Silverwood Fever in the Bull Terrier Club of Tampa Bay. If you attended our January Shows in Brooksville, you must have felt pride and excitement at our club's accomplishment in putting on a perfect show. Much, if not most of the credit goes to show chair/chef/auctioneer, Ed McLean. Ed and the rest of his volunteers could tell you that a show does not just happen; it takes a lot of effort and cooperation. Silverwood is even a bigger show that will truly showcase our club to the entire Bull Terrier World. I believe that there will be bullie people from every continent except Antarctica. This endeavor will require everyone to help, in many different ways. There was a worksheet that

was presented at the February meeting with many, many tasks that require volunteers. Any willingness to volunteer will be greatly appreciated.

Please contact Jan O'Nan and let her know what you can do. Besides helping the club,

there is a 100% guarantee that you will have fun. Finally, if it is impossible to pledge any efforts, for whatever reason, coming to Silverwood, coming to our banquet and staying at the Wyndham will help the club more than most realize, as we have contract obligations for room nights and for banquet attendance. And again, 100% guarantee that you will have fun, a lot of fun.



by **Eddie Quigley**
Vice President

BTCTB members Carolyn Kimbrell and Linda Newmann take a minute to relax with bullie Jasper in the hotel at the January specialty shows in Brooksville.





BROOKSVILLE 2011 RESCUE REPORT

We had BIG fun at Brooksville. The Rescue Parade was a great opportunity for our rescues of 2010 and 2009 to meet some of our more recently placed bullies. In spite of the cold, we had a good turnout, and saw how far some of our rescues have come with the love of their new families; The Rescue Raffle Basket was also a big hit. It featured over \$200.00 in Bull Terrier items, including toys, ornaments, and one of the most sought-

after Bullie items available, one of the Love on a Leash Bull Terrier Purses, which are no longer available in stores! A collar and leash, dog treats and many other items rounded out the basket, which raised \$240.00 for Rescue.

Thank you all for buying tickets and congratulations to Matt Patton who won the drawing!

RESCUE ON THE RADIO

Listen to BTCTB radio interview featuring Tessa on *Heidi's Hounds*, 1065 WCTQ radio

<http://www.1065ctq.com/pages/heidishounds.html>

BTCTB member and owner of Rock & Rose Bull Terriers, Paula Pressler-Tash, handles one of her dogs at the January Specialty shows.



There are two new additions to the festivities that should be noted: first, the presence of Robert Kimbrell, who took photos throughout the weekend. You have probably seen Robert's very exceptional Rescue Videos on YouTube (many thanks, Robert) and now you can visit his Website at: http://rckimaging.smugmug.com/Events/Brooksville-dog-show-2011/15468257_EwRMs and view and purchase any of his photos from this weekend.

Secondly, The Dog Perk (Products for people who love dogs) who provided the Rescue Bandanas for all of our Rescues supports our Rescue with their program, Bandana Bucks. Our Rescue can earn free merchandise! Go to our Website and click on the link to The Dog Perk, place an order and your order will be put towards our club. For every 100 dollars spent, we earn 10 "Bandana Bucks" to use to buy merchandise from The Dog Perk. Sweet. They have a variety of dog gifts, including beautiful wooden memory boxes, sweatshirts and gift bags.



Deb and Joe Brown's rescue bullie, Yankee, has flown over the rainbow bridge. Shown here, Yankee sports his angel wings in the Silverwood rescue parade bringing awareness to the issue. Farewell, Yankee--you will be forever remembered.

BULLIBUD MOMS HOST SPRING RESCUE AUCTION APRIL 9 - 29



Bullbud Moms are happy to be hosting the annual spring bull terrier rescue auction. Last year, the organization helped about 10 rescue groups with the funds that were raised. Some of the items to be auctioned are a unique, felted bull terrier, a muslin bumble bee bull terrier, notecards, a BT mug, and some special high-end items and jewelry to be announced shortly!

You can preview some of the donated items at Bullbud Moms Website store--just click on the auction page to review the rules, info and auction items by approximately the 1st of April. THE AUCTION WILL BE OPEN FOR BIDDING SATURDAY APRIL 9TH AND WILL RUN UNTIL MIDNIGHT, EASTERN STANDARD TIME, FRIDAY APRIL 29TH

Please check out the Bullbud Mom's Rescue Store
<http://btlover1.shawwebspace.ca/>



MEET JOAN SPANGLER BTCTB BOARD MEMBER & TREASURER

I was born in Malang (Java, Indonesia) during the Second World War and spent my first four years in Japanese concentration camps. The majority of my childhood was spent in Indonesia. We left Indonesia for the Netherlands where I completed my education. I majored in Mathematics and obtained a business degree in 1965. I met my husband while he was in the U.S. Air Force in Bitburg, Germany, and we married in July 1967 in Berea, Ohio.

I became a member of the BTCTB by accident. I was driving down the street and saw a store that had all sorts of bull terrier images painted on its windows. I made a bee-line for that store and the rest is history.

We currently have two rescued bullies: Abigail who I picked up at the Daytona Beach Humane Society for our club and Jackson who had been fostered by Teresa and Dan Lowden (Wiltz, Ca) for almost 2 years and handed over to us during the 2005 Silverwood Rescue Parade in Columbus, Ohio.

My Dutch heritage is probably reflected in my fiscal responsibilities to the club, as I am said to be "tight" with the club's monies and a stickler for detail. Perhaps, this is true, but since it is not *my* money, I must ensure that every penny is properly accounted for. FYI, the accounts are audited on an annual basis by a CPA. Financial information is always available to each member; all you need to do is contact me.

As of August 1, 2010, our club has been awarded 501©3 tax-exempt status so all donations are tax deductible. While we have come a long way since January 2009, we still need to improve our finances to keep the club afloat. I urge you to support your club by volunteering your services and expertise while we host the 2011 Silverwood at the Wyndham Orlando Resort, by donating any extra dollar you can, and by promptly making your hotel reservation.

Another important request of all our members--I am heading up the fund raising efforts for Silverwood and need a commitment from each BTCTB member. We will supply you with a solicitation letter and ask each of you to send it to 10 people, asking for \$50 in cash or an in-kind merchandise donation. Just think, if each one of us succeeded in this, we would have \$3000. in donations!

Our Club's success is in your hands. Please make your treasurer happy this year and do our club proud!



by Joan Spangler Club Treasurer



SILVERWOOD 2011 UPDATE-- SO MANY OPPORTUNITIES TO VOLUNTEER, SO LITTLE TIME!!!!

by Jan O'Nan
Board Member and Silverwood
Show Chair

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Silverwood 2011
opportunity areas to volunteer:

- .Show Equipment Handler
- .Dog Tag Machine Operator
- .Food Service and Social Coordinator
- .Publicity Coordinator
- .Show Merchandiser
- .Rescue Parade
- .Fundraiser
- .Photographer
- .Event Worker

October 20th will be here in the blink of an eye!!! If you haven't heard, the Bull Terrier Club of Tampa Bay is hosting the Bull Terrier event of the year--The Silverwood Trophy Competition.

The theme is *Fabulous Florida!* The event will be at the Wyndham Orlando Resort from October 20-23, 2011. Contact the Wyndham at 407-351-2420 and make your reservations NOW! Don't forget to mention BTCTB Silverwood to receive our group rate.



WE NEED YOU !

Its a collaborative, team effort that makes such an incredible event successful, and what we put out is

a direct reflection on our club. Every volunteering opportunity from soup to nuts is available. So please, consider the type of work you like to do and join in on the Silverwood volunteer effort. We are going to need tremendous help, because this is a huge undertaking. Contact me at finstwo@verizon.net or 941-685-2190 and I am happy to suggest a volunteer area you will find rewarding. It's your club, so make it count!

MEET DAWN SHEILBY BTCTB BOARD MEMBER & SECRETARY

I came in to bull terriers rather late in life. I've loved the breed since I was a little girl but never had the opportunity to have one until my work schedule became more conducive to dog ownership later in my career. We first had Simba, the best rescue dog ever who died



by Dawn Sheilby
Club Secretary

way too young and left us broken-hearted. We never aspired to having a show dog and I never in a million years thought I'd ever be showing a dog but, when Anita & Walt generously gave Jack and I the chance to own Falco with them, that all changed. Walt handled Falco through his Championship and ROMs and, after Silverwood, handed the lead over to me. I'd been attending handling classes from the beginning but handling in the ring was still quite intimidating. So, I decided to get my feet wet when I saw that Desmond

Murphy was judging in Ormond Beach. He was the judge who gave Falco his first BOV at 6 months of age and I thought it would be nice if he saw him a year later. Breed ring was great because we were all friends there to support each other. Group ring was another story.

I was the ONLY amateur handler in the ring! These men and women really knew what they were doing while I looked like a clod. After Mr. Murphy examined all the dogs, he went down the line, looked at each dog, and made his famous "duck call" in his fist. When Falco looked up at him, Mr. Murphy smiled and pointed his finger at Falco. That's when Falco decided to jump up on him! I thought, "Well, that's the end for us." Imagine my surprise when he pointed at us for a group 2! I was flabbergasted! I was so flummoxed that we left the show grounds without getting our show picture with the judge! We made a U-turn on I-95 and got there in time to get our picture with Judge Murphy. So, now I'm hooked!

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