

Bully Times

Newsletter of the Bull Terrier Club of Dallas

April 2010

OFFICIAL NOTICE: Meeting Scheduled for Saturday, April 17th, Grand Prairie, TX

Dallas — The Bull Terrier Club of Dallas Annual Meeting will begin at 2 p.m. Saturday, April 17. The location will be the home of Don and Doris Grissom, see page two for a map and directions.

Of course this is our election meeting, where members vote in their incoming slate of officers, listed below:

President - Kevin Cox

Vice-President - Babe Watts

Treasurer - May Ross

Secretary - Joanne Taft

Board of Directors - Brian Bourque

Board of Directors - Miriam Hopkins

Board of Directors - Kay Schrack

A full Report of our annual Specialty Show Weekend will be presented, there's a lot to cover since it's been many years since there were more than 40 dogs entered. We'll provide a complete run-down on all the weekend's activities.

Special recognition is due to the individuals below, without whose hard work and dedication the project is just not possible:

- Glenna Wright—who once again did a masterful job raising money and working with vendors to present a nice set of awards for our winning exhibitors.

- Joanne Taft—whose work for this event began in earnest in September of '09, covers many official capacities, in addition to the on-site role she plays each day of the competition. As well as interacting with the FWKC and the TXCSA.
- Babe Watts and May Ross did a great job planning and organizing the banquet and the extended weekend hospitality. Thanks to Chester Crawford for tending bar all weekend. Kay Davis, again, a big contributor from start to finish with everything connected to Hospitality.
- To all who donated items for fund raising, thank you for helping our Club remain strong and viable.
- Thanks is also due to Kevin and Davonnia Cox for supporting Hospitality, Miriam and Paul Hopkins for playing key roles in the Silent Auction and Raffle and in promoting our show throughout the extended Bull Terrier community. Brenda Robertson for making sure our Trophy Table is top notch on Specialty Day. Thanks to Don and Doris Grissom for donating the margarita machine all weekend!

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2010 Club Officers and Board Members

Officers:

Brian Bourque

Glenna Wright

Joanne Taft

Miriam Hopkins



Board Members:

Kevin Cox

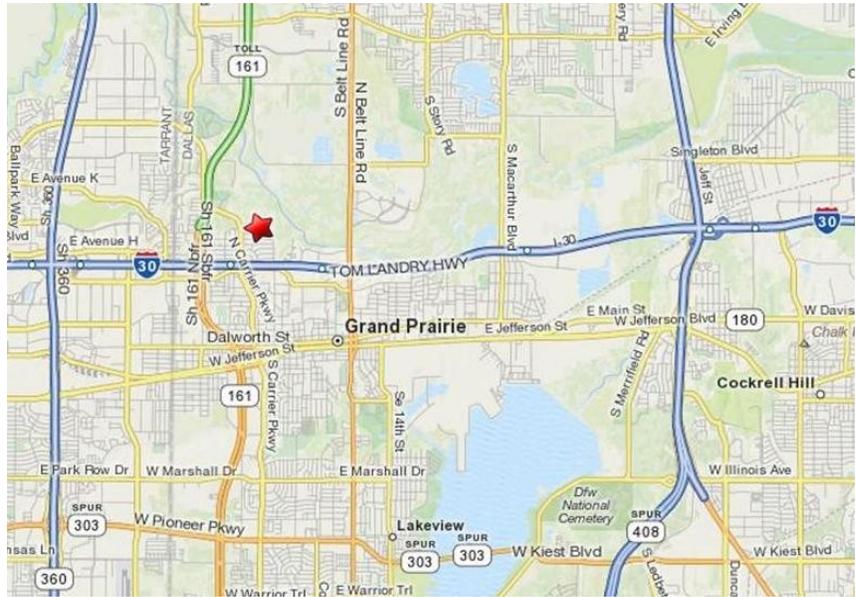
Kay Schrack

Babe Watts

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Map to April Meeting



I-30 west to Beltline. Turn right on Beltline. Move to the far left lane and turn left at the first traffic signal-Palace Parkway. Follow Palace around the S curve to the dead-end. Turn right on 7th and follow around the hard left curve. You are now on Egyptian. Turn right on Westminster, the 2nd street on your right. Stay on Westminster to Yorkshire, the 2nd street on your left. Turn on Yorkshire and come to 830 Yorkshire.

2010 March Specialty Review

Seeing as how most of the breed clubs in the Texas Combined reported down entries this year, similar to last year, and that our entry was actually the strongest it had been in 5 years, our exhibitors deserve an added round of applause. Please take time to touch base with and show our appreciation to these members and associate members who actually make this annual project possible:

Amber Gibson, Skip and Pam Landry, Glenna Wright, Jeff Klein, Robert Blackwell, Alesia Cooke, Karen Burnett, James and Kay Davis, Lynn Cash, Paul and Miriam Hopkins and any others missing here.

Thanks also to our friends and extended family that made the trip with a dog: Denis Loving, Ace and Sheri Croucher, Humberto Lara from Mexico City, Bill and Becky Poole, Phyllis Azeur from Tennessee, Dr. German Otero Fraud, Arnaldo Salazar and family, Rafael Fernandez from Puerto Rico, Rebecca Gibson, Mary Alice Eubanks, Annalee Cox from Oklahoma, Fred Schneider, Nicol Jellison, Paula Pressler-Tash, Roger Garcia and Brenda Miller.

Thanks especially to our Ring Stewards: Betty White, Ray Sharp and Cheri Croucher and our professional judging team of Ray Sharp, Jon Miles, Gregory Anderson, Phil Brodeur and Lynn Myall. Their participation in our show represents a main factor in our overall success.

Thanks to Everyone for a Great 2009-2010

In just a few days the Club's day-to-day operation will be in the hands of a new team, which includes a good blend of existing experience and new talent. And as my period of activism comes to a relative close, I want to share with you some facts and impressions of the things we have accomplished together.

- **MARCH SPECIALTY** — Our show continues to be a must-attend event, with exhibitors traveling long distances to attend. Our 2010 entry of approximately 45 dogs is ongoing proof that our event still holds a prestigious spot on the annual show calendar. Let's work even harder this year to make sure our guests have the best possible experience Dallas/Fort Worth has to offer.
- **COMMUNITY OUTREACH** — In addition to our steady support of the Bull Terrier Club of America, the Texas Combined and the Fort Worth Kennel Club, we are also supporting the North Texas Terrier Club. Publically facing; we have been visible at recent events, such as Strutt Your Mutt in Dallas, PoochFest in Irving and Dog Days in Denton. Let's gather up at Trade Days in Canton, Texas. How about a parade?
- **KNOW YOUR BREEDER** — As you know, Know Your Breeder was born out of the need to unite the entire BT community, and although we still have a long way to go, we have achieved these milestones:
 - Database of contacts, beyond 700 currently, who help spread the word of the need to maintain close ties with breeders for the life of the dog
 - September 2009 Know Your Breeder Day, authorized by the AKC's responsible Dog Ownership Days
 - 41 dogs formally admitted into Rescue in 2009, approximately 10 others additionally served
 - Expansion of our reach into Oklahoma and Louisiana, sharing information with the BTCA and AKC on the status of the growing Bull Terrier population
 - Communicating directly to and working with the entire breeder community to save our dogs

Of course, a great deal more than just this has been accomplished in recent time. A dedicated team has provided meeting minutes with regular mailings, representing an intricate set of tasks that takes hours of careful research/review and production. Annual financial reporting to the State of Texas and the IRS are two other areas where we have seen trouble-free, timely execution, in addition to management of the Club's other governance concerns. Which in my opinion is a tremendous work conducted flawlessly to safeguard the Club's assets and literally it's very future. What are your thoughts on these activities, important to you, or not? If our Volunteers stopped doing this today, would you step up?

Maintaining good working relationships with Judges is an important role several Club members conduct ongoing, without much fanfare actually, yet it's a key function of a top-notch show. Leveraging the power of our non-member, Volunteer network, mainly in rescue ... each year dozens of virtual strangers help us fulfill our mission to Rescue dogs in need. Where do these people come from and why do they put so much faith and trust into our organization?

These and many other works I personally believe have produced excellent results, beneficial to the Club's current state and long-term future. Yet our potential to improve and grow is only limited by our ability to work together. My final appeal to members is that in the coming year we all stake out an area of dedication, that we all commit ourselves to producing some result, whether it be organizing an outing, working on the website, saving a dog from a shelter, donating stamps for mailings ... find some way to contribute, validate your membership in the Bull Terrier Club of Dallas. Thank you for your support, past, present and future.

Sincerely,
Brian Bourque

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Available Dogs from BTCD Member

Please contact Glenna Wright glntom@aol.com about these and other dogs.



Demi is an outgoing 15 month old bully girl. She is sweet but busy girl who will require your attention. She will be placed in a pet home.



Chuck is a very sweet gentle one year old boy who is ok with cats. He will need a home with another dog of his size to play with to keep him happy.

Brasil is a sweet outgoing one year old boy. He will be placed in a pet home.

