## SOUTHERN BOSTON TERRIER CLUB



Summer 2022- Edition 1

#### Chairman's welcome-

Hello everyone, welcome to our first newsletter. Thank you all for your support in getting the club up and running and to those that have agreed to work on the Committee to help manage our affairs and organise events.

We've only just started on our ambitious plans to become a modern club that serves anyone interested in Boston Terriers and we are very much in our infancy, but have already made tremendous progress, and have lots of ideas for taking the club forward.

We are a breed club, not just a show society, and we hope to offer something of interest for all Boston owners, primarily targeting in-person events for the southern UK. These will include social meetups and fun days, breed club shows, educational events and more.

We are hoping that the formation of the club will help build a support network of owners and trusted advisers for all our members.

So, whether you have a top show dog or a much-loved family companion, there should be something for you to enjoy and

feel you are a part of a supportive Boston Terrier community.

I look forward to meeting everyone at one of our future events.

All the best,

Brian King Chairman







**Secretary's welcome**- Hello, thank you for reading this article. We are a community club awaiting formal recognition by the Kennel Club to hold licensed show events and represent the breed in all aspects of current and future health and welfare matters.

We do this by supporting existing owners and promoting expertise in breed specialist judges and responsible breeders, who have responsibility for promoting the best of this breed for future generations to enjoy.

We are also able to reflect our members' opinions and give them a collective voice when called upon. We are still in our formative stage and working on building-out our social media presence and our own website for everyone to enjoy and interact with us, but during the interim, we have established a vibrant Facebook Group that is steadily growing, and a good place to start, for those of you wondering whether to become a fully paid member of this exciting new venture.

Fiona King Secretary

#### Treasurer's welcome-

As Acting Treasurer, I am delighted with the financial support we have received whilst establishing this new breed club. Sincere thanks to you all.

Aside from the Founding Member donations and membership fees we are

always looking for ways to raise funds to help run the club.

We have held 2 successful online auctions which raised much needed funds, and another is planned before Christmas. All auction items are listed on the Club's Facebook page with details of the starting bid amount, charges for P&P and date/time the auction ends. To bid on an item just add the amount you want to pay in comments.

If anybody would like to donate auction items, please let me know, anything Boston related will be gratefully received.

Jan Mason *Treasurer* 



- 4<sup>th</sup> September 2022- Southern Boston
  Terrier Club walk (Torquay) -meeting at
  the Grand Hotel at 1pm for a short
  walk to Boston Tea Party
- 10<sup>th</sup> October 2022- Kennel Club breed celebration lunch (members only)
- 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> October 2022- Discover Dogs (ExCel centre, London) come and meet some of our committee members on the Boston Terrier stand on the 16<sup>th of</sup> October





### **Worthing Walk**

On the 1<sup>st</sup> of May the SBTC held its first event for members which was a Boston meet up walk for owners and Boston enthusiasts. The walk was held in Worthing, with the final stop being the very aptly named Boston Tea Party.

It was a fabulous opportunity for those that had shown interest in the new club to get together to be around the beautiful breed that we love.

Around 40 dogs completed the walk and they all got along exceptionally; they caused quite the stir with the members of the public who were astonished by the Bostons.



The walk should have taken 30 minutes but took much longer due to all the fuss the dogs were getting, we all know how much Bostons love attention and it was a great opportunity to showcase our breed.

The club received some great press, with a lovely article featuring in the Sussex Express promoting the club, our interests,

and goals for the future, but also raising awareness of our lovely breed.

Our next breed walk is due to take place on Sunday the 4<sup>th</sup> of September in Torquay, meeting at The Grand Hotel for 1pm and (after the success of our first walk) will finish at Boston Tea Party, so please bring your Bostons for another lovely day out!





# Founding Members BBQ

On Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> July, the Chairman and secretary held a BBQ at their home in Essex for founding members of the club. Founding members enjoyed food and drink in abundance and were presented with a certificate as a momento of the day. A caricaturist was also present, taking drawings of our members. Images from the day can be seen below for those who missed out and it looked like a fabulous day was had by all!





