



## **President's Notes**

I hope everyone is surviving the hot summer with all the weather events being thrown at us. Its been a doozy in some states!

I wanted to let you know that the Board has voted to put the futurity into hiatus, until at some future point when breeding has picked up and entries increase. There were only two nominations this year and the level of participation makes it unsustainable. Having it in hiatus means it will be easy to bring it back in some form in the future. As we've seen on Carrie's reports, entries are down in most areas in the country with most shows having 1 or no Toy Foxes entered, and anecdotal evidence shows fewer of the show breeders are having litters this year. The club has been losing money on the event with the low levels of participation.

That said, we are adding 4-6 month BPUP and Pamela Peat has offered to judge it for the cost of parking (she's local to the area). So, if you have a young puppy, bring it with you!

The National Specialty in Phoenix is shaping up to be a lovely show. The show committee is hard at work and they are looking forward to seeing you there. I'm attaching the tentative schedule so you can make plans.

The pesky notice that you proceed at your own risk when signing into our website has been taken care of – it was a software issue and has been resolved. There are lots of things in the members' only area of the club website – minutes, financials, newsletters, ability to post your litters, etc. Also don't forget on Tuesdays to post your available puppies/dogs on the Facebook members only page so we can all help each other with referrals to people searching for a Toy Fox Terrier.

Get your Toy Fox recognized for being smart and versatile - fill out and send the versatility form to [performance@atftc.com](mailto:performance@atftc.com) if your dog has earned titles in two or more different AKC events – we want to celebrate your accomplishments through Versatility Recognition Awards. When you receive the award, print it, take a photo of your pup and the certificate, send it to Chris Bowker and we'll put you in the newsletter!

Please make sure you let us know if you are interested in serving on any committees. We need people to begin working on the 2026 National in Topeka, Kansas. We'd like a newsletter committee to investigate various options, and we are looking for folks to serve on judges committees for the 2026, 2027 and 2028 Nationals. People say they want to be involved – please volunteer – we want you!

See you around the shows,

Susan Thibodeaux