

English Toy Spaniel Club Of America

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From the Office of the President

April 11, 2020

Dear ETSCA members,

The Board of the ETSCA met earlier this week to discuss our National Specialty. I will assume that it comes as no surprise that we must announce a change in the date for our National Specialty given the COVID-19 cancellation of the Memorial Day weekend shows for the Apple Blossom Cluster in Kalamazoo, Michigan.

After much discussion, the Board has decided to change the date of the 2020 ETSCA National Specialty to Friday, September 4, 2020. The date was previously reserved for the ETSCA Regional Specialty that is typically held in conjunction with the Des Moines Kennel Club (DMKC) shows in Des Moines, Iowa. The event this year falls on Labor Day weekend.

For those members that have attended the ETSCA Regional Specialty in Des Moines, you are already familiar with the high caliber of the venue and the open arms that the DMKC has extended to our Parent Club. Details regarding the logistics of 2020 National Specialty will be forthcoming, but the Show Committee has already confirmed the host hotel, catering, and other event-specific details that are part of the event weekend. In addition, the Board has confirmed that the judge for our 2020 event, Mr. Terry Stacey, is available and has committed to judging our National Specialty as planned.

We realize this change may be inconvenience for some, but the Board unanimously agreed that canceling the 2020 ETSCA National Specialty was not an option.

The Board is convinced that the 2020 ETSCA National Specialty will be a great success. As mentioned, details regarding the National Specialty and the weekend schedule of events are forthcoming this week.

Please do not hesitate to contact me or any of the Board members with any questions that you may have. Our thoughts go out to you, your families, your pets, and your communities during this pandemic.

Please stay safe, stay well, and stay home.

Regards,

Bruce Van Deman