

## Julia Nevinson's Bio

Since retiring after a long career as a Clinical Scientist in the NHS, I was keen to pursue my passion for the Soft Coated Wheaten Terrier breed by enjoying my two dogs Mopsy and Padraig to the full, and when I had the opportunity, was co-opted onto the Committee in Summer 2020. I had responded to an appeal in The Bulletin for more Committee Volunteers.

I was successfully elected onto the Committee in Spring 2021, and took on the role of Membership Secretary. In Spring 2022 I took on a second role of being responsible for the Club's Bookstall & Online Shop. The Dual role is challenging, but I enjoy serving the Club in this way, especially as having joined during Covid Times, when everything had to be 'Online', I am now loving the opportunity to put faces to names & in particular meeting our members in person!

I enjoy hearing about Member's new puppies, and what their Wheatens are getting up to. it's a joy when their Photographs land in my Inbox.

Since taking on responsibility for the SCWT Club of GB's Bookstall & Online Shop in April 2022, I have operated the Online shop successfully from my home, and also provide this stall in person at Open Show South, FunDay South, FunDay West & Champ Show events each year.

More recently I have become involved with the Grooming Workshop South, and have now organised and attended 3 of these events.

My beloved dogs are hugely important to me as my companions, and they accompany me on as many holidays and adventures as possible.

The photograph shows us taking a break whilst exploring part of the North Cornwall coastal path earlier this year.

Neither of my dogs are part of the Wheaten ShowScene, so its fair to say that they are not often the most immaculately groomed, but I do have a genuine interest in Grooming skills, and very much enjoy helping others get to grips with the Wheaten coat.

I am a member of our local Hampshire Dog Club and still attend occasional Classes with my younger Wheaten, Padraig, who benefits from refresher schooling in an Obedience Group, and enjoys doing Fun Agiiity, although with my near total lack of agility I fear I am a poor companion for him as we go round the course!

My duties within the SCWT Club do take up much of my time, but I do also juggle other Voluntary roles that include being Treasurer for the Southampton Branch of the BackCare Association.

I have a regular weekly involvement with the Southampton City Mission Basics Foodbank, a Christian organisation, where I am a volunteer Foodbank Supervisor, running the venue one day each week. I find serving our clients in this way is a very humbling experience, but one that I value greatly.