



# AMSCOPE

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So long, farewell,  
auf wiedersehen, adieu...  
adieu...adieu...to you and you ...  
and YOU  
who have not paid your dues.....  
**DUES ARE OVERDUE....**  
**Don't forget to pay your DUES!**

## SPECIALTY WINS

MSC of Southern California

January 2, 2009

Sweepstakes (5-2)

Judge: Carla Nickerson

Best in Sweeps...Brookehaven's Turnkey/Walker  
BOS in Sweeps.Carmel Midnight Express/Ewer  
B in Veteran Sweeps..CH Kelvercrest Cavalier/  
Potiker

Regular Classes (9-8-9-0)

Judge: Cindy Vogels

WD/BOW...Sunfire's Runs on Diesel /Roehe

RWD..Khaos Kid of Hansenhaus/Baws

WB/BOS...Kelvercrest Summertime at Tadesca/  
Potiker

RWB...Yorkhill's Anneke of Hansenhaus/Brown

BOB...CH Allaruth Solebay Chipoth' Goldblok/  
Ziegler/Phelps

AOM:CH Regency's Good to Go/Weirick/Verna/  
Haney

AOM: CH Brookehaven's Turning Point/Walker

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## THE WAY WE WERE

Starting this month we will inaugurate a new column which will appear monthly throughout the year. This column came about as a result of our new policy of giving out 25 year pins. It occurred to me, as I reviewed the lists of folks who were eligible that first year (99!), that almost 1/5 of our members are individuals who contributed to the development of the style of the Miniature Schnauzer as it appears today. Many of the them are no longer breeding, and most of our new members don't know their names, except as a Kennel Name on a dog that appears in their pedigrees. Additionally, I realized that there is a wealth of knowledge out there and a historical perspective that we only have access to through these individuals. Honoring them with a silver anniversary pin is a good start, but getting to know them on a more personal basis seemed like a better idea.

(The first article is from **Laurese Katen**, of Silver Spring Maryland. Laurese is, if not our most Senior member, one of the most Senior members of the AMSC.)



So with the approval of the Board, I developed a list of twelve questions that I then forwarded to the most senior members of the AMSC, to start, and continuing forward. We will be able to see their responses in AMSCOPES for many years to come. To those who have not yet sent me their answers, please join with us in celebrating YOUR contribution to our glorious breed! Reading the responses that I have already received has been a wonderful trip down memory lane!! The questions I sent were as follows:

1. What is your kennel name and where did it come from?
2. How old were you when you first began showing Miniature Schnauzers?
3. Who was your first Miniature Schnauzer? Where did you get it and from whom?
4. Who was your "mentor"?
5. What was the name of your first "important" dog and why?
6. Did you show your own dogs?
7. How have things changed since you began showing dogs?

Mai-Laur is my Kennel Name, and is the first three letters of my former husband's name and mine. I bought my first Miniature Schnauzer - a show dog- from Marguerite Jones in 1954 and began showing him. His name was Minquas Magnet. Ms Jones was one of the earliest breeders, along with Marie Slattery, and served as my "mentor" who got me started in showing and breeding.

My first important dog was from my first litter - Ch. Mai-Laur Devilish Duke who finished his championship at just 7 1/2 months of age. ( I showed him myself with some help from handler Thomas Lenfesty). I felt I was blessed to have such a nice dog from my first litter. I showed my own dogs for several years and then because of traveling abroad with my husband I engaged a handler. I have used 4 handlers since then.

In the early years after the judging was over, a lot of the exhibitors would get together for dinner, have discussions and enjoy being with each other. This has changed as there is so much jealousy, not being gracious and congratulating those who win — and not helping new breeders.

Continued on p.2, col. 3...**Laurese Katen**

# LOOK

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make a change.

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The deadline  
for the  
March issue  
is February 20th.

## BREEDERS SEMINAR

There will be a Breeders Seminar in conjunc-  
tion with the Chicago Specialty on Saturday af-  
ternoon, one hour after MS judging:

**Canine Coat Color Genetics and The Minia-  
ture Schnauzer**, presented by Kate McMillan

"An overview of the genetics controlling coat  
colors and patterns in dogs, followed by a dis-  
cussion and demonstration as to how these  
rules apply to Miniature Schnauzer color inher-  
itance".

This should be a really interesting seminar that  
covers not only the basic colors, but the shad-  
ings, too. It will be for beginners through expe-  
rienced breeders and will last about an hour  
and a half.

In order to know how many attendees to plan  
for, please let me know if you plan to attend by  
emailing me at [chris@abiquadogs.com](mailto:chris@abiquadogs.com).

## AKC Breeder's Symposium Schedule for 2009

Presented by the AKC and  
AKC Canine Health Foundation

April 4, 2009:  
Western University of Health Sciences, Pomona, CA

July 25, 2009: (Location TBD),  
Tampa, FL

September 19, 2009:  
Chisholm Trail Pavilion, Enid, OK

November 14, 2009:  
University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA

Saturday 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM (Breakfast at 7:30 am)  
Registration opens Saturday at 7:30 am  
General Admission \$95.00  
Veterinary/Vet Tech Admission\*: \$200.00

Topics to include:  
Breeding & Genetics  
Nutrition  
Reproduction  
Vaccination Protocols  
Infectious Disease  
And others!

To register online, go to: [www.akcchf.org](http://www.akcchf.org)  
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Laurese Katen...Continued from p., col. 3..

Marguerite Jones showed me what she knew  
about grooming, but suggested that I contact  
the Wilkern fellows in Long Island (she had  
bred to their nice Champion.) I called them  
and since Magnet was out of their Champion  
they invited me to come up and stay a week  
with them, as they had lots of schnauzers for  
me to work on. And they really taught me well.  
When I returned home and started showing  
with my dogs nicely groomed, many handlers  
came up and asked how I had learned so  
quickly.

I think the Health issues facing the breed to-  
day are pancreatitis, bladder stones, and  
cancer. After 50 some years in schnauzers I  
have had one with stones and none of the  
other problems.

The breed has changed because good  
breeders have tried to improve on their lines  
so we have nice dark salt and pepper coats  
(instead of the early washed out grey); and  
the blacks have really rose to the top with black  
and silver getting better too.

I have mentored three breeders who have  
done nicely in a small way. Being a judge has  
kept me interested in watching the new ones  
in the ring. Also I enjoy meeting and talking  
with old friends and new breeders and ex-  
hibitors. I am very involved in our local Mt.  
Vernon Min. Schnauzer Club, being one of its  
founders and lending a helping hand to other  
clubs.

I am still showing and will breed a litter next  
year. I am very proud of my black Champion  
that I bred - Mai-Laur Black E-NAM\_L - he was  
number 1 black in 2006 and 2007. So far he  
has three beautiful Champion offspring.

[snopes.com](http://snopes.com): **Xylitol**  
**Deadly to Dogs** ●●●  
**Can the sugar substitute**  
**Xylitol be harmful to dogs?**

Danger Claim: **Xylitol** (a sugar  
substitute used in sugar-free  
gum) can be harmful to dogs...  
Well, apparently the sweetener  
**Xylitol** that seems to be in  
every pack of sugar free gum  
around is VERY toxic to dogs  
and can kill them.  
2 pieces of gum or candy (gum  
sized) with **Xylitol** would throw  
a 13 pound dog into severe  
hypoglycemia,

## HOW FATTY FOODS CAN LEAD TO PANCREATITIS IN PETS

Newsletter of the Community Practice Service  
College of Veterinary Medicine, Washington State University

Pancreatitis or inflammation of the pancreas is a common and painful problem in dogs, especially around the holidays. It can also occur in cats.

The pancreas produces digestive enzymes and hormones, including insulin, necessary for processing sugar in the body. The organ is located under the stomach and the first part of the small intestine in dogs and cats. The danger of pancreatitis is that when the pancreas becomes inflamed, it can leak fluids that damage the surrounding tissues, including the liver. In severe cases, the result can be deadly. "We see cases year-round, but most canine cases are centered around the holidays," said Dr. Raelynn Farnsworth, a WSU Community Practice veterinarian. While a variety of factors can cause the condition, high-fat foods are a common culprit in dogs. Other sources for dogs and cats include infections, metabolic disorders, certain medications, and trauma or shock.

"Dogs can get it by eating a high fat meal that they are not used to, including foods after a holiday dinner like gravy, turkey, and ham," Dr. Farnsworth said. "At the very least, it can cause vomiting and diarrhea, and can be as serious as something called acute pancreatitis, which can range from a mild, self-limiting illness to a rapidly progressive and fatal disorder."

Signs for pancreatitis are variable, and include an upset stomach, acute vomiting, a very painful abdomen, depression, fever, and dehydration. "The pain may cause some dogs to hunch up into a 'praying' position," Dr. Farnsworth said. "The signs can begin fairly immediately, or within hours, depending on how inflamed the pancreas gets. Most cases are mild to moderate, but deaths are not a rare occurrence."

Owners with pets displaying signs of pancreatitis should seek veterinary attention immediately. Treatment for the condition is largely supportive, but it can help dogs that are in a lot of pain. Pancreatitis is generally diagnosed through a dog's history, physical exam, laboratory testing to check for pancreatic enzymes and to rule out other diseases, and ultrasound examinations to check for an inflamed pancreas. Supportive care manages the patient's pain, provides IV fluids, and treats concurrent problems like vomiting.

"It is essential to withhold food, water, and oral medications from patients with pancreatitis for generally two to five days in

order to reduce pancreatic secretions," Dr. Farnsworth said. "Intravenous fluids are used to hydrate the animal until it is safe to reintroduce foods. For dogs, recovery can take up to a couple of weeks. Once a pet has a bout of pancreatitis, it is predisposed to it from then on, so their owners need to be careful about feeding treats and fatty foods."

Other factors that may predispose dogs to pancreatitis include being overweight and having a metabolic disorder like diabetes, if they are spayed or neutered dogs over the age of seven, or a small body size. "There is some breed predilection in terriers, yorkies, poodles, and miniature schnauzers," Dr. Farnsworth said. To prevent further instances of pancreatitis, owners should feed their dogs a low-fat diet and check with their veterinarian about appropriate treats because many commercially available dog treats are high in fat.

Many dogs that suffer a bout of pancreatitis recover fine, but cats may not fare as well. Cats tend to develop chronic pancreatitis, rather than acute pancreatitis. Often by the time a problem is noticed in a pet with chronic pancreatitis, the pancreas has caused enough damage that additional complications arise, making the patient harder to treat.

"Cats are really hard to diagnose and treat. Pancreatitis is usually such a chronic problem with them that it is hard to tell what is going on, but finally they get sick enough where we can tell," Dr. Farnsworth said. "Additional complications include septicemia, a complicated bleeding problem called DIC, and abscesses that form on the pancreas. Later on, these patients can develop diabetes if the pancreas is scarred enough."

A cat's history, physical exam, and blood tests are used to diagnose pancreatitis in cats, and treatment is similar, but they may be harder to treat and take longer to recover if there are additional complications.

Like dogs, cats may need a low-fat diet to help prevent recurrence. For more information or to make an appointment for your pet, contact the WSU Community Practice service at 509-335-0711.

## Understanding and Managing Canine Ear Infections

Ed's NOTE: A few members received this article last month by error....Sorry!

**Inflammation of the external ear canal — otitis externa — is one of the most common types of conditions veterinarians see in pets. The external ear canal is the area from the external ear (exterior opening of the canal) to the tympanic membrane (ear drum). Some dogs, particularly those with large or hairy ears, are more prone to ear infections than others, but all dogs are susceptible to ear infections.**

Ms. DeWana Anderson, DVM at The Animal Hospital of Carrboro, Inc. addresses the causes, symptoms and treatment of this condition for the benefit of our readers.

### **Q. What are the clinical signs of otitis externa?**

**A.** Dogs may have one or more of the following clinical signs:

- Pain
- Shaking of the head
- Scratching of the ears
- Abnormal odor from the ears
- Redness and swelling of the inside of the ears

### **Q. What causes otitis externa? Can there be complicating factors?**

**A.** Otitis externa is often the result of a bacterial, yeast or mite infection. Sometimes there are underlying diseases and causes and, when not treated, this can delay or prevent healing. Causes and diseases of otitis externa can include:

- **Allergies:** Allergies to the environment or food may predispose pets to recurrent or chronic ear infections. A hypoallergenic diet trial or skin testing for environmental allergens can help identify causative allergens.
- **Hormonal disease:** Hormonal diseases may suppress the immune system and can increase the chance of developing an ear infection. Blood testing or other screening is often necessary to identify these underlying diseases.
- **Middle ear infection:** A condition called otitis media can occur when otitis externa becomes chronic and penetrates through the eardrum into the middle ear. Detailed examination of the ears with the pet under sedation can help diagnose otitis media. Computed tomography (CT) or radiography is sometimes necessary to establish a diagnosis.

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# SEPARATION ANXIETY IN DOGS

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Many vacationing pet owners make arrangements for their animals to stay behind while they attend family gatherings. Naturally, some owners worry how their pets manage while they are away, even if placed with caring friends or boarding facilities. Those with especially close bonds may worry their pet will experience separation anxiety.

Separation anxiety is rare in cats, though it is a recognized problem in dogs. "Separation anxiety is a common behavioral problem that clients inquire about, but it is not a condition that we see frequently during the average day in the hospital," said Dr. Matthew Mickas, head of the Community Practice Service at the WSU Veterinary Teaching Hospital. It is thought that approximately 15 percent of pet dogs suffer from this type of distress.

Parents with babies or small children are likely familiar with separation anxiety, and how it can rear its ugly head even when the child is only left for a moment. Dogs may react similarly by panicking when their beloved owners take out the trash, go to the mailbox to get the newspaper, or even when they grab their keys and coat before leaving.

"Dogs often do not distinguish a reference for time," Dr. Mickas explained. "Dogs with separation anxiety issues may react negatively whether a family member is gone for an eight hour work day or a brief visit to the neighbor's house or the grocery store."

Unlike babies who often cry at their perceived abandonment, dogs can get destructive. They may tear down blinds and curtains, ruin clothes or shoes, and dig, chew, or scratch at doors or windows trying to reunite with or look for their owners. They may also disturb the neighborhood with excessive barking or howling, and may inappropriately urinate or defecate throughout the house as a result of their anxiety.

"The damage can be quite significant to a home, and the dog may also injure itself in the process of escaping or searching for a family member," Dr. Mickas said. Unfortunately, separation anxiety is not a stage dogs will eventually outgrow. Most often, it becomes apparent before a vacation or trip. Early signs include dogs following their owners from room to room, not sleeping without their owners, avoiding being outdoors alone, becoming excited, depressed, or anxious when their owners try to leave, and being overly enthusiastic when the owner comes home.

But owners can take steps to help their dog overcome anxiety. While genetics may play a role in the condition for some dogs, environmental factors are also important. "Anxiety can start fairly early, and is a matter of the dog having a primary attachment figure. The problematic behavior begins when that person goes away," Dr. Mickas said. "Owners can unknowingly stimulate the behavior through excessive excitement at the time of arriving or leaving home. We all love our pets and it is natural to want to give and get affection when we get home. Unfortunately, dogs with separation anxiety need to be approached differently."

Owners can help their dogs by keeping their arrivals and departures calm and low-key. "Be calm and try to maintain the least amount of contact until your dog is quiet and calm," Dr. Mickas said. "Although your dog will try to engage you, maintain minimal contact until the pet settles down. When that happens, engage and calmly reward your dog for the positive behavior. When it is time to leave the house, take the dog's mind off the fact that you are leaving. Get your pet mentally active with toys or treats, and maybe create a safe and comfortable 'happy place' for him, like a crate or room, to stay in when you leave. A good enrichment activity or exercise can be beneficial. In addition, you can make small trips in and out of the home with increased lengths of time to help condition your dog. This helps dogs become less anxious with departures and arrivals."

If a dog becomes destructive or damages the house on a particular occasion, owners should try to remain calm upon arrival and during the situation. "Yelling or some type of physical punishment is definitely not recommended and is counterproductive toward modifying your dog's behavior," Dr. Mickas said. "If your dog is excited to see you and is all over you as you return home, they won't understand yelling or physical punishment. Your dog might have become destructive the first 10 minutes after you were gone, and won't understand why you are upset hours later." In fact, most dogs suffering from separation anxiety act out within 15-30 minutes of their owner's departure.

Some owners may think getting another pet for their anxious dog to play with is a good idea, but this will likely not work because the dog is fixated on a person, not just being alone. If the problem continues, or if an owner must leave for a time, consult with a veterinarian about short-term medication that can help dogs with anxiety and a specific behavior modi-

fication plan and techniques. If a dog must be boarded, contact the facility in advance and provide the staff with medication if needed and the dog's individual behavior plan for when the owner leaves.

Some dogs may have a clinical problem with anxiety and may require long-term medication and a behavioral plan set forth by a veterinarian.

For more information or to make an appointment for your pet, contact the WSU Community Practice Service at 509-335-0711.

## SUPPORT OUR LOCAL CLUBS

### Gateway Miniature Schnauzer Club

### 50th and 51st Specialty Shows and Obedience Trials

Friday, February 27, 2009  
Belle-Claire Fairgrounds  
Exposition building  
200 South East  
Belleville, Illinois

#### 2 SHOWS - ONE DAY

### 50th Specialty

Sweeps Judge — Ms. Hilde Haakensen  
Regular Class Judge — Mrs. Mildred Bryant  
Obedience Judge — Mr. William Oxandale

### 51st Specialty

Regular Class Judge — Mrs. Carol Beattie  
Obedience Judge — Ms. Ginger Kinion

#### Join us for our delicious luncheon between shows.

A raffle will be held throughout the day

February 28 and 29

Belle City KC All Breed Shows

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# MEANWHILE AT THE SHOWS

SHOW	DATE	DOG	OWNER	WIN
Catonsville KC	8-Nov	Royalcourt Silverado	Lewis	WD
Brooksville KC	9-Nov	Royalcourt Tatto'd Babe	Lewis	WB
Greater Ocala KC	11-Nov	Royalcourt Silverado	Lewis	WD
Venice KC	29-Nov	Royalcourt Tatto'd Babe	Lewis	WB
Venice KC	30-Nov	Royalcourt Dirty Little White Girl	Lewis	WB
KC of Buffalo	10-Jan	Am/Can Ch. Carbor Fine and Dandy	Borrelli/Sheffer	BOS
Ashtabula KC	11-Jan	Carbor Good Better Bet V Froherz	Borrelli/Wygant	WD,BOW,BOB

## Bouquets & Biscuits

\* **Margot's One N' Only** Eden earned her AKC-CD title at Twin City Miniature Schnauzer Club All-Breed Trial. She was Highest Scoring Miniature Schnauzer both days. She also has earned her NJP title at the North Star Herding Group and her RN title at St Croix Valley TC with placings in all. She was bred by Jean Goettelman and owned and loved by Gail Arnoldi

\* **Ch Mtn Rose Touch of Class** - (CH North Pine Stay in Arizona x Enjoys Contain Yourself) finished his Championship October 11, 2008 at the Valencia Valley KC of NM Inc. with 4 Majors and 5 Best of Breed. **Owner:** Julie Cooper, Jeannette Clack and Joen Palmer.

## BLACK RIBBONS

CH Ms Chevious Little Rascal AX NAP  
AXJ OJP

1-30-96 12-22-08

Rascal was bred by Ron & Doris Stoltenberg. Loved and owned by Tom and Renae Bagwell. She was our first confirmation dog. She loved the show ring and always had her tail up. In 1999 she won the Centennial Miniature Schnauzer Club Specialty here in Colorado and the following weekend she took Best of Breed to finish her championship. She also loved agility, chasing lacrosse balls and snow balls.

She was so full of life and such a character. We have a lot of wonderful memories and will really miss her! We would like to thank Doris and Ron for giving us the opportunity to own and love such a wonderful dog.

Tom & Renae Bagwell

## EAR INFECTIONS...continued from p. col.3

**Abnormal ear conformation/hair:** Pets with narrow ear canals, long ear flaps, or hair growing in the canals may have moisture and wax build-up. This increases their chances of developing an ear infection and is often diagnosed with a thorough physical examination.

**Tumors/polyps:** Masses in the ear canal, such as tumors or polyps, can obstruct the canal. This can prevent medication from penetrating the canal easily. Masses are typically identified during a physical examination by your veterinarian or through an ear radiograph or CT scan. Surgery may be needed to remove these masses.

**Foreign objects in the ear:** Dried clumps of wax, grass, or other objects may irritate the ear canal and act as a focus of infection. These objects are often identified during a physical examination and can sometimes be removed without sedation.

**Q. How is otitis externa diagnosed?**  
**A.** Your veterinarian will first perform an external examination of the ear and canal. Some pets experience too much pain to allow an otoscope (a special instrument to view deeper regions of your pet's ear) to examine the ear canal and tympanic membrane. Sedation is often necessary to manage the discomfort that can be associated with an inflamed ear canal.

Your veterinarian may also look at the appearance of substance build-up in the canal. Yeast infections commonly produce a yellow-tan, thick substance and bacterial infections commonly produce a brownish-black, thin substance. Unfortunately appearance does not always result in an accurate diagnosis — a **microscopic examination of substances is the single most important tool in diagnosing otitis externa.** Repeat microscopic examination is necessary in chronic cases to monitor treatment success over time.

Chronic cases or those that do not respond to initial therapy may require further testing. These tests may include culture of the substance, skin biopsy, food trials, allergy tests, blood screening or imaging studies (e.g., skull radiograph

or a CT scan). Chronic or complicated otitis cases are often referred to a veterinary dermatologist for further diagnostic testing.

### Q. How is external ear disease treated?

**A.** Therapy is based on the character of the disease (bacteria, yeast or mites) and suspicion of the underlying disease. Uncomplicated cases are usually treated with antibiotic, anti-fungal, anti-inflammatory or anti-parasitic medications that are applied directly to the ear canal. Many cases require a combination of medications. Long term (four to six weeks) therapy may be necessary if severe otitis externa or media is present.

Your veterinarian will likely suggest an ear cleaner or drying agent and recommend a cleaning schedule to help prevent substance build up and disease recurrence.

Canine ear infections can be frustrating for owners and painful for their pets. If you suspect that your dog might have an ear infection it's important to contact your veterinarian right away. In most cases the correct diagnosis and treatment of ear infections means they can be resolved quickly — by working closely with your veterinarian and following their recommendations.

**WHATEVER  
YOU DO...  
GET YOUR  
DUES IN!**

## FLEECE VESTS

Unisex sizes S-XXL  
 Mens...light grey/royal  
 Womens...raspberry.heather  
 \$45. includes shipping

also

White Polo Shirts with same logo  
 Unisex sizes S-XXL  
 \$35 includes shipping



**new logo on floor mats and vests**

## AMSC FLOOR MATS

These striking logo mats are dye injected and are made of high quality nylon and are 100% launderable in cold water. They can be used indoors or outdoors, since they can be washed but will last longer if not subjected to extreme weather. They will be perfect for grooming room, offices, motor homes, condos, or to stack your puppies on. They measure 22" X 33". Cost of the mat is 65.00 plus 15.00 shipping and handling.



## AFGHAN

This beautiful colorful woven 100% cotton afghan of Miniature Schnauzers in a garden setting will be a keepsake. Black, Salt/Pepper and Black/Silver Minis are at home on green grass with colorful shrubs, trees and flowers in the background. Lori Bush and Mildred Shultz collaborated with the artist at We Love Country on this very unique design.

\$75. Includes Shipping

## APRONS

stone, red or royal

\$25. includes postage



## NEW GYM BAGS

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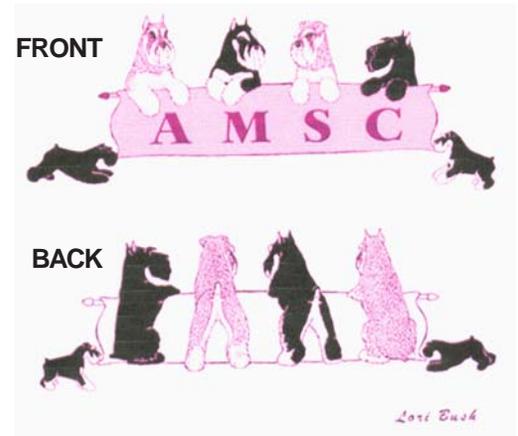
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\$55. includes postage

## SWEATSHIRT in STEEL BLUE

SIZES: SMALL, MEDIUM, LARGE, XL, XXL

\$45. includes postage



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# *Chicago . . . it's my kind of town*

## **Announcing the 2009 AMSC National Roving Specialty**

February 22, 2009

McCormick Place West Building

(Held with the International Kennel Club

in conjunction with the International Cluster of Dog Shows)

AMSC Judges' Seminar - February 20

For questions contact Wyoma Clouss @  
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AMSC Breeders' Seminar – February 21

For questions contact Chris Levy @  
[chris@abiquadogs.com](mailto:chris@abiquadogs.com)

The American Miniature Schnauzer Club will hold a AMSC parent-club seminar as part of the national specialty weekend in Chicago, with the Blackhawk - International Kennel Club shows, McCormick Center. The seminar will begin 1/2 hour after the Miniature Schnauzers are finished judging on Friday February 20th, 2009 (Blackhawk). Both judges interested in Miniature Schnauzers and Miniature Schnauzer exhibitors are welcome to attend the seminar, keeping in mind that our focus will be on presenting to judges rather than addressing specific breeder issues. Immediately afterward, we will have a session of "hands on" for judges only.

## **AMSC Board Meeting**

McCormick Center Room# W471A

6:30 PM

**All members and guests are welcome to attend and observe**

Hope to see you there!!!

Sweeps Judge – Shawne Imler

Regular Class Judge – Barry Day



# AMSCOPE

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## UPCOMING SPECIALTIES

- Central Florida MSC February 14, 2009  
Regular Classes: David Kirkland  
Sweepstakes: Dorothy Harvey
- CMSC/IKC February 21, 2009  
Regular Classes: Michael Dougherty  
Sweepstakes: Richard Miller
- Gateway MSC 50th Anniversary February 27 2009  
Regular Classes: Mildred Bryant  
Sweepstakes: Hilde Haakensen  
Obedience: William Oxendale
- MSC of Atlanta April 12, 2009  
Regular Classes: Claudia Seaberg  
Sweepstakes: Florence Bessemer
- Chicago MSC June 13, 2009  
Regular Classes: JoAnne Dutton  
Sweepstakes: Marilyn Laschinski
- MSC of Southern California June 20, 2009  
Regular Classes: Norman Patton  
Sweepstakes: Joe Williams

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- Chicago International February 22, 2009  
Regular Classes: Barry Day  
Sweepstakes: Shawne Imler
- Great Western Terrier Assoc. June 21, 2009  
Regular Classes: Penny Hirstein  
Sweepstakes Brian Bogart
- Montgomery Co.KC October 4,2009  
Regular Classes: James Reynolds  
Sweepstakes Jean Heath
- Palm Beach County DFA March 14 , 2010  
Regular Classes: Marcia Feld  
Sweepstakes: Carma Ewer
- Great Western Terrier Association June 26, 2010  
Regular Classes: Claudia Seaberg  
Sweepstakes: Beth Santure
- Montgomery County Kennel Club October 10, 2010  
Regular Classes: Edd Bivin  
Sweepstakes: Terrie Houck



## Central Florida MSC

will be having a specialty show in conjunction with the Lakeland Winterhaven Kennel Club show, on Valentines Day, February 14, 2009 in Lakeland, Florida.

The Judge for Regular classes is David Kirkland and the Sweepstake judge will be Dot Harvey of Deenee fame. It will be one of a 4 day weekend, beginning on Thursday, February 12. The judges for the other days are Madison Weeks, Paul Thomann, and Bill deVilleneuve. There will be a Judges Seminar for current or prospective judges on Friday, and our President John Constantine will be presenting the seminar. Closing for all 4 days is Wednesday, January 28, 2009.

Hope to see lots of folks there.

Carole Weinberger

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