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SPECIALTY WINS

Central Florida MSC

June 6, 2008

Sweepstakes

Judge: Janet Taylor

Best in Sweeps.. Kelly Steeles a Triple Crown/
Kelly/ Steele

BOS Sweeps... Lakeside's heart like a wheel -
Bond

Regular Classes:

WD./BW :kellyandwakes shot in the dark /froherz/
wake/wygant,/kelly

WB... Lakeside's heart like a wheel - bond

BOB: ch ' orleans fils gris de twister - petche

MSC of Atlanta

May 13, 2008

Sweepstakes (3-7)

Judge: Amy Gordon

Best in Sweeps.. Lonestar's Wicked Good/
Edwards

BOS Sweeps... Awesome's Kiss My Gritz/Smith

Regular Classes (6-18-4-4)

Judge: John Constantine

WD/BW ..Kharasahl's Hannah Montana/McBride

RWD Bandsman Times Square/Weinberger

WB/BOS... Awesome's Kiss My Gritz/SmithBOB:

BOB... CH Mystique's All That Jazz/Edwards &
Rohrer

Paul Revere MSC

May 30, 2008

Sweepstakes

Judge: Alice Linnell

Best in Sweeps..Ellerker's Pita Pocket/Caines

BOS Sweeps... Garnet Rock's Land's End in Style/
Glover

Regular Classes

Judge: Michael J. Buckley

WD/BOS...Sterling Green Monstah/Hackett

RWD Tare Treasure Hunter/Rubin/Tare

WB/BOW/BOB... Quailridge's Sparkling Diamond/
Vacca

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Exploring the Mysteries of Liver Shunts

By Jerold S Bell, DVM, Tufts University School of Veterinary Medicine

(This article originally appeared in the "Healthy Dog" section of the April, 2005 AKC Gazette)

Five out of every 1,000 dogs in the general population are born with an inherited liver shunt. This condition, also called a porto-systemic shunt (PSS), is an abnormal blood vessel that bypasses the liver. The portal vein carries blood drainage from the gastrointestinal system. This blood contains nutrients, but also the waste products from digestion. Because of these waste products, the portal blood is kept separate from the rest of the (systemic) blood supply, and sent to the liver for processing.

A major portion of the waste product from protein digestion is ammonia. The liver metabolizes ammonia into urea, which is then sent to the systemic circulation through the vena cava (the major vein in the body). The kidneys filter the urea into the urine for disposal.

A porto-systemic shunt bypasses the liver, placing the portal blood into the vena cava instead. The high level of unprocessed blood ammonia and waste products can affect the brain, causing drooling, mental dullness, and seizures. This condition, called hepatic encephalopathy, can worsen after a high-protein meal. Because of the lifelong effect of waste products on all cells in the body, affected dogs can be stunted in size.

A liver shunt can be diagnosed by measuring elevated blood bile acid and ammonia levels. Most affected dogs showing clinical signs of hepatic encephalopathy can be diagnosed through a single (non-fasted) blood level. Pre-breeding screening for subclinically or mildly affected dogs requires paired, fasted, and post-meal values to make a diagnosis.

The type of liver shunt varies between affected dogs. The shunt may be a single large blood vessel, or may involve many small vessels. It can run along the outside of the liver, or be totally encased in the body of the liver. Large shunts can be diagnosed by an experienced ultrasonographer, or through a surgical contrast radiograph called a portogram. Some dogs have a disorder called hepatic microvascular dysplasia (HMD), in which the defective vessels connecting systemic and portal cir-

culations are not large enough to be identified by ultrasound. Because of this, the definitive diagnosis for the condition requires blood measurements.

Treatment

The best way to treat a young dog with a liver shunt is through surgery. This is possible if the shunt is a large blood vessel, either inside or outside the liver. A surgeon narrows the shunt, so that a majority of the portal blood will now enter the liver. The shunt cannot be completely closed, or the liver - which because of the shunt is not accustomed to receive a high volume of portal blood - will swell and back up. This can cause fluid to build up in the abdomen (ascites), and cause liver failure. By narrowing the shunt, most affected dogs will go on to live normal lives.

If the liver shunt is microvascular, or if surgery is not a possibility, medical management may reverse the signs of hepatic encephalopathy. One third of affected dogs do well with medical management, living an average of seven years. Diets with high levels of crude protein should be avoided. Depending on the extent of clinical signs, dogs should be fed either a senior diet, or a special prescription diet. A medication called lactulose will bind to ammonia in the intestines. This prevents ammonia from being absorbed into the portal circulation, so it is eliminated in the stool. Certain antibiotics will also reduce the amount of ammonia producing bacteria in the intestines.

Breed Prevalence

Thirty-three breeds are significantly more likely to have a liver shunt than the general dog population. The breeds with the highest risk include: the Havanese, Yorkshire Terrier, Maltese, Dandie Dinmont Terrier, Pug, Miniature Schnauzer, Standard Schnauzer, Shih Tzu, Bernese Mountain Dog, and Bichon Frise. The majority are small-sized breeds, but the condition is also seen in large breeds, such as the Irish Wolfhound, Scottish Deerhound, and Old English Sheepdog.

Dr. Karen Tobias, a surgeon at the University

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for the
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is July 20th.

Liver Shunts_{,cont from p. 1}

of Tennessee College of Veterinary Medicine, has been performing epidemiological studies on congenital canine liver shunts. She has found that the incidence of liver shunts in Yorkshire Terriers has increased more than 11 times over the past 20 years. On average, approximately three percent of all Yorkshire Terriers have a porto-systemic shunt. The genes causing liver shunts in the breed are old and widespread, as inbreeding does not significantly increase the incidence of the disorder.

Tobias has found that mating two (surgically corrected) affected Yorkshire Terriers produced normal offspring – which eliminates simple autosomal recessive as the mode of inheritance. Tobias has also found that if two Cairn Terriers with microvascular shunts are bred together, they can also produce affected offspring with single, large liver shunts. This finding suggests that liver shunts can show variable expressivity, and that the single vessel and microvascular shunts may be caused by the same genes.

Genetic studies into liver shunts in Yorkshire Terriers, Cairn Terriers, Irish Wolfhounds, and Maltese have all proven a hereditary basis. It appears to be autosomal, as there is an equal ratio between affected male and female dogs. It is probable that the condition is polygenic, or controlled by more than one gene pair.

Tobias recommends testing fasting and post-feeding bile acids and blood ammonia levels on all prospective breeding stock, and to refrain from breeding dogs with elevated levels. This will eliminate phenotypically affected dogs from breeding. There is an increased risk for phenotypically normal siblings and first-degree relatives of affected dogs to be carriers of liver shunt liability genes. Therefore, breadth of pedigree normality (normal-testing littermates) is important in selecting breeding stock.

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August 1

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President's Message

As you get this message, I am sure most of you have already heard the sad news of Lanny Hirstein's passing. The AMSC and all of us have lost a great friend. Lanny was a champion of our breed, always out promoting and protecting Miniature Schnauzers. I have heard countless anecdotal stories from AMSC members of Lanny's camaraderie and encouragement. He was indeed a friend to so many of us. Lanny served our club in so many ways. He was President for 5 years, judged our National Specialty, and along with Penny, bred some of the finest dogs in our breed. He will surely be missed.

The AKC Board has appointed a committee to re-evaluate breed placement within the groups. They have targeted several breeds which they feel may be more appropriately placed in another group. Unfortunately, Miniature Schnauzers are one of these breeds. The committee is asking AMSC to give them input on how we feel concerning a possible change. We believe this is a very important issue and would like input from the entire membership before we respond to AKC. In order to solicit your opinions, I have included in this AMSCOPE a polling form. This is potentially a very significant change for our breed, so I hope all of you will participate in the poll. I will outline the three options below;

1. Stay in the Terrier Group – We would not be moved. Everything would stay as it has been since 1927.
2. Move to the Working Group – This would put us with most of the other Schnauzer/Pinscher types plus all of the other working breeds.
3. Move to the New Companion Group – The committee has told us of the Companion group, "Several of the breeds in that group (Non-Sporting) were placed into the Northern group (Eskimo Dog, Shar-Pei, Chow, Finnish Spitz, Keeshond, Shiba Inu and possibly the Schipperke). The breeds remaining (with the possible exception of the Dalmatian and the Standard Poodle, whose placement remains in question – (awaiting input from the parent clubs) are medium sized dogs with a clear function as a companion to their owners."

Please send in your ballot today! Ballots will only be accepted until August 15. We need to get back to AKC before August 31. This is important whichever group we recommend as the preferred group, we want it to be a Membership decision, not just a few people. Thanks!

John

Small Population Breeds and Issues of Genetic Diversity

Jerold S Bell DVM, Tufts Cummings School of Veterinary Medicine

(This article was originally published in the March 2007 AKC Perspectives' Delegates Newsletter.)

Issues of genetic diversity are a concern to dog breeders, and this can especially be so for breeds with small populations. The concern is whether there is enough genetic variation within a breed's gene pool to maintain health and vitality. Breeders should be concerned about genetic diversity, because there are examples where damage has been done to a breed due to breeding practices. Restriction of genetic diversity can also occur in large population breeds.

All genes come in pairs: one from the sire and one from the dam. Each gene in the pair is called an allele. If both alleles in a pair are of the same type, the gene pair is homozygous. If the two alleles are different, the gene pair is heterozygous. While each dog can have a maximum of two different alleles at a gene pair, many different alleles are potentially available to be part of the gene pair. The greater the number of alleles that are available at each gene pair (called genetic polymorphism), the greater the genetic diversity of the breed.

If there is no breed diversity in a gene pair, but the particular homozygous gene that is present is not detrimental, there is no negative effect on breed health. The characteristics that make a breed reproduce true to its standard are, in fact, based on nonvariable (that is, homozygous) gene pairs.

The origins of breeds have a lot to do with genetic diversity. A breed established with a working phenotype tends to have diverse founder origins, and significant diversity. Even with substantial population bottlenecks, the breed can maintain considerable amounts of genetic diversity. This was shown in a molecular genetic study of the Chinook breed, which was reduced to 11 modern founders in 1981. Breeds established by inbreeding on a limited number of related founder individuals could have reduced diversity. Many breeds have also gone through diversity reducing bottlenecks; such as occurred during World War II. For most of these breeds, their gene pools have expanded through breeding for many generations, resulting in a stable population of healthy dogs.

There are two factors that must be considered when evaluating genetic diversity and health issues in a breed; the average level of inbreeding, and detrimental recessive genes. With a small population, there is a tendency to find higher average inbreeding coefficients due to the relatedness between dogs from common ancestors. There is, however, no specific level or percentage of inbreeding that causes impaired health or vigor. The problems that in-

breeding depression cause in purebred populations stem from the effects of deleterious recessive genes. If the founding population of a breed produces a high frequency of a deleterious recessive gene, then the breed will have issues with that disorder. This can be seen as smaller litter size, increased neonatal death, high frequency genetic disease, or impaired immunity. If these issues are present then the breed needs to seriously consider limited genetic diversity.

The issue of high average inbreeding coefficients is one that all breeds go through during their foundation. As the population increases and the average relatedness of dogs goes down (based on a fixed number of generations), the average inbreeding coefficient for the breed will go down. The effect of initially higher inbreeding coefficients in small population breeds will depend on the presence of deleterious recessive genes that will be expressed when homozygous.

Some breeders discourage linebreeding and promote outbreeding in an attempt to protect genetic diversity in their breed. It is not the type of matings utilized (linebreeding or outbreeding) that causes the loss of genes from a breed gene pool. Rather, loss of genes occurs through selection: the use and non-use of offspring. If a breed starts narrowing their focus to breeding stock from a limited number of lines, then a loss of genetic diversity will occur.

The process of maintaining healthy lines, with many breeders crossing between lines and breeding back as they see fit, maintains diversity in the gene pool. If some breeders outbreed, and some linebreed to certain dogs that they favor while others linebreed to other dogs that they favor, then breedwide genetic diversity is maintained. It is the varied opinion of breeders as to what constitutes the ideal dog, and their selection of breeding stock based on their opinions, that maintains breed diversity.

The most important factor for diminished genetic diversity in dog breeds is the popular sire syndrome. The overuse of a popular sire beyond a reasonable contribution through frequent breedings significantly skews the gene pool in his direction, and reduces the diversity of the gene pool. Any genes that he possesses - whether positive or negative - will increase in frequency. Through this founder's effect, breed-related genetic disease can occur. Another insidious effect of the popular sire syndrome is the loss of genetic contribution from quality, unrelated males who are not used for breed-

ing. There is a finite number of quality bitches bred each year. If one male is used in an inordinate amount of matings, there will be fewer females left for these quality males that should be contributing to the gene pool. The popular sire syndrome is a significant factor in both populous breeds and breeds with small populations.

The best methods for ensuring the health and diversity of any breed's gene pool are to: 1) Avoid the popular sire syndrome. 2) Utilize quality dogs from the breadth of your population to expand the gene pool. 3) Monitor genetic health issues through regular health surveys. 4) Do genetic testing for breed-related disorders. 5) Participate in open health registries, such as CHIC (www.caninehealthinfo.org) to manage genetic disorders.

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SLATE For the June 08

AMSC Board Meeting - Long Beach, CA

The nomination committee voted to present the following panel for membership vote, and has received confirmation from each candidate indicating their willingness to serve.

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Sincerely,
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MEANWHILE AT THE SHOWS

SHOW	DATE	DOG	OWNER	WIN
Camelia Capitol KC	11-May	Ch. Alpine Loft Carmel Gluhwein	Child	BOB
Antelope Valley KC	23-May	Sunfire's Eighteen Wheeler	Lyons	WD,BOW,BP Gr.1
New Castle KC	23-May	Essex Riversong Talk Out Loud	Kubik/Marks	WB/BOS
Langley KC	24-May	Jan-Will's All That Jazz	Flowers	WB,BOW
Gloucester KC	26-May	Jan-Will's All That Jazz	Flowers	WB,BOW
Conewango Valley KC	13-Jun	Can Ch Carbor Fine and Dandy	Borrelli/Sheffer	WD,BOW,BOB
Conewango Valley KC	14-Jun	Can Ch Carbor Fine and Dandy	Borrelli/Sheffer	WD,BOW,BOB,Gr.2,BBEGr.1

VERY FIRST VERSATILITY AWARD EXCELLENT

by Lynn Baitinger



Since the inception of the AMSC Versatility Award in 2004, 26 Miniature Schnauzers have been the proud recipients of our Versatility Award (VA), proving proficiency in three categories: Conformation, Obedience, Agility, Rally, Earthdog and Tracking. Seven points are necessary to earn this award.

Now; however, one truly remarkable Mini is the first to earn our VAX. Janet Moffitt, of Salt Lake City, Utah and her Ch. Carmel/AL Carzy Horse Remembered VCD2, AXJ, NF, a/k/a Chief has earned the required 12 points in four categories. Chief has his conformation Championship, his CDX in obedience, his Tracking Title, and an advanced Agility Title – his AXJ.

Janet has been kind enough to write a little bit about herself and her remarkable Miniature Schnauzer and I've included it following this paragraph. I know you'll enjoy reading it as much as I did.

CONGRATULATIONS JANET AND CHIEF!

CH Carmel Crazy Horse Remembered, VCD2 AXJ NF (Chief) is my third mini. My first was a rescue named Alex, who recently passed away at the venerable age of 16. I fell in love with the breed and soon acquired a great little girl from Chris Levy. Abiqua Emily's Little Chris VCD1 AXP AJP (Chrissy, now 9 1/2 years old) was my first experience with agility and tracking. She earned her Versatility title from AKC several years ago and the AMSC Versatility Award.

Chief came with strings attached. He had nice conformation and was intended for a show home. I thought he showed so much promise for performance that I agreed to show him in conformation. That was an experience! It was difficult to fit everything in without feeling a bit overwhelmed. Fortunately, I had a lot of good friends who stepped up to help us through the rough spots with encouragement and advice. It takes a village to raise a performance schnauzer! Bobby Anderson's book on Building Blocks for performance dogs was a great foundation reference. Chief finished his CD in January '06, his breed championship in September '06, his TD in April '07, his Novice and Open Agility titles in the summer and fall of '07, his AXJ in February of '08, and his CDX in March '08. Quite a lot for a little guy who hasn't yet turned five! Chief has never let me down through it all, including finishing his tracking title in a driving rain and wind storm. Our little guys with beards have such courage and spirit! We are just getting our feet wet in Earthdog. He has one junior leg. (And yes, Karen Brittain, he has the dreaded "Schnauzer stare" syndrome. We're working on it <G>!) A special thanks to Patty, Jane, Barb and Auntie Jalynn for your love, patience and support!

Janet Moffitt

Should the Miniature Schnauzer be moved to a New Group?

AKC is proposing to move our breed to a new group. This is part of a project that AKC is working on to reposition breeds within the groups.

Your Board would like your input. Do you feel we should stay in the Terrier group, move to the Working Group, or move to a new Companion Group?

AKC has explained the new Companion Group as a replacement for the Non-Sporting Group with several of the current breeds being moved to a new Northern Group (Es-kimo Dog, Shar-Pei, Chow, Finnish Spitz, Keeshond, Shiba Inu and possibly the Schipperke). They say that the remaining breeds are medium sized dogs with a clear function as a companion to their owners.

Please indicate your preference below and return before August 15. Results will be made known in the September AMSCOPE and decide our response to AKC.

- Remain in the Terrier Group
- Move to the Working Group
- Move to the Companion Group

Name: _____

Signed _____

Date: _____

Please mail or Email scanned image to:
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John@adamis.org
AMSC
241 S 6th St, #301
or FAX to:
Phila, PA 19106
215-629-9914

AMSC Trophy Design Proposal

Your AMSC trophy committee is getting ready to make some changes and we hope our creative members will get involved. Below you will find the proposal criteria for submitting trophy ideas. It is our goal to begin using the new trophies at Montgomery County 2008. All proposals must be received no later than May 31, 2008 in order to receive consideration for the presentation at the June Board Meeting in Long Beach, CA. Only complete proposals will be accepted. Preference will be given to creative breed related items.

1. Your ideas for a trophy for each of the following categories:

- BOB
- BOS
- BOW
- WD/WB
- RWD/RWB
- Class placements 1-4 (14 total classes = a maximum of 56 awards)
- Stud Dog/Brood Bitch
- Veteran Dog/Bitch
- Brace Team
- Puppy Sweeps - Best & Opposite
- Veteran Sweeps - Best & Opposite

2. A cost breakdown of each item.

3. Individual packaging requirements for each trophy (bubble wrap, peanuts, box size, etc.), if applicable.

4. Amount of time needed to create each piece in time to ship them to the National Specialty Chair (3 times/per year). You will be reimbursed by the AMSC for direct packaging and shipping costs. Items should be shipped so that items needing to be repacked for safe travel come with their own packaging materials.

4. Visual examples of the trophy ideas for each category (i.e. color photo spread on a web site we can access at the meeting, or portfolio we can pass around).

Proposals should be sent to:

AMSC Trophy Committee
c/o Terrie Houck & Cathy Pendleton
105 Fites Creek Road
Mount Holly, NC 28120.

Please feel free to contact us should you have any questions.

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Endicott, NY 13760

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Show off your beautiful dogs and your talents!!!

~~~ENTRY DETAILS~~~

Four categories

1. Portrait 2. Puppy 3. Comedy 4. General

Put entry information on back of photo (include: name of photographer, address, telephone #, e-mail address and category)

·\$5.00 entry fee per photo.

·Make checks payable to AMSC

·Entries must be received September 20, 2008

~~~ENTRY RULES~~~

Photo size..8x10 matted in black or white

(be sure to mount to allow for safe removal of photo from mat for publication!)

·Photo must include a Miniature Schnauzer(s)

·Color or black & white photos accepted

·Open to amateur photographers only

·No show pictures...please

~~~JUDGING~~~

Judging to be held at the annual dinner/meeting in October

Everyone at the annual dinner/meeting will get to cast one vote for his or her "Best in Show" pick.

Ribbons & prizes awarded for top three winners in each category at specialty dinner and to be judged by a panel of 2 judges

Best in Show rosette/prize and other winners awarded at the Annual Meeting

Best in show and first place winners from each category will be published in the AMSCOPE and on the website!

Best in Show and the 3 placements from each category will be used to produce our 1st Miniature Schnauzer Calendar to be ready for Christmas.

Send Entries with Entry Fee And Direct All Inquires To:

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Philadelphia, PA 19106
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Photos may be picked up at the Specialty, after the Annual Dinner.

Photos can be returned by mail, IF submitted with a postage paid return package. Entries submitted without the return postage and/or package cannot be returned and become the property of AMSC for use in various projects and/or publications.

Winning photos will be temporarily retained and used by AMSC for use with various projects or publications.

Obituary... Landis A. "Lanny" Hirstein

July 14th, 1938 - June 14th, 2008



Landis A. "Lanny" Hirstein, 69, of Washington, died at 2:15 PM on Saturday, June 14, 2008 at his residence. Born on July 14, 1938 in Pontiac, IL to Eldon and Eileen Fritch Hirstein, he married Paige "Penny" Vohland on December

24, 1958 in Washington, IL. She survives. Also surviving are 2 daughters, Tracy (Rodney) Joos of Peoria Heights and Tammy (Tony) Forbes of Wildwood, FL; 1 granddaughter, Mandel (Tony) Mowder of Peoria Heights; 1 brother, Roger (Dana) Hirstein of East Peoria; and his sister-in-law, JoAnne (Howard) Zachman of Clermont, FL. He was preceded in death by his parents. Lanny owned Studio Royal Photography Studio in the 1960's, and was the publisher for the Tazewell Reporter in Washington in 1968. He was a Professional Dog Handler from the 1960's until 2000 and was a judge for the American Kennel Club Dog Show from 2000 to the present. He started his own dog shampoo company in 1976, Pro-Line Winning Ways Inc. Lanny was a member of the Cornbelt Kennel Club in Bloomington, and the Montgomery County Kennel Club. He was also a Past President of the American Miniature Schnauzer Club. A memorial service will be held at 5 PM on Tuesday, June 17, 2008 at Deiters Funeral Home in Washington. Pastor John Hauck will officiate. Visitation will be held 2 hours prior to services from 3-5 PM on Tuesday at the funeral home. Cremation rites have been accorded.

Memorials:

American Miniature Schnauzer Club c/o Sharon Edwards, AMSC Treasurer, 21301 Golf Estates Drive, Laytonsville MD 20882, 301-947-881 or to Take The Lead, PO Box 6353, Watertown NY 13601, 800-814-1123 or donate online at www.takethelead.org.

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CHECK THIS OUT....**NEW CLASS FOR DOG SHOWS**

From the June *AKC Gazette*, page 70, the Smooth Fox column.

The AKC has added a new regular class to enter at shows beginning January 2009. The class is called owner-handler. Here are the rules (from chapter 3, new section 7, of Rules Applying to Dog Shows): The Amateur-Owner-Handle class shall be for dogs that are at least six months of age that are not champions. Dogs must be handled in the class by the registered owner of the dog. This class is restricted to exhibitors who have not, at any point in time, been a professional dog handler. Additionally, members of the immediate family or household of a current professional handler are ineligible for this class.

The terms handler, professional etc are further cited and defined in the column.

Bouquets & Biscuits

* **Can CH Carbor Back Talk AX AXJ NF**(Can CH Carbor On The Road Again x Can CH Boxdema Memory of Carbor) earned her AKC Excellent A Standard Agility Title at the CCKC trial in Ames IA on June 1st. Sassy is owned by Judy Russell, was bred by Carla Borrelli, is handled by John Russell and is loved by all three!

* **Ch. Essex Riversong Talk Out Loud** finished the requirements for her championship at the New Castle KC show on 5-23-08. "Gabby" is a B/S co-owned by Vicki Kubic and Sheila Marks and was owner-handled by Vicki Kubic to her Championship.

* **Ch. Jan-Will's All That Jazz, CGC**, completed the requirements for her championship Memorial Day weekend with two majors. Jazz and her brother, Ch. Penlan Pensacola, are from Ch. Penlan Pepper Roxie's first litter. They are sired by Ch. Deeanee Diplomatic Move. Jazzie is bred and owned by Jane B. Flowers.

* **Ch. P.S. Karysma's Chatterbox** completed the requirements for her championship May 18, 2008. She got both of her majors by going BOW, BOB over specials and finished out of the Bred By Exhibitor Class. She is the 2nd champion for her dam Ch. P.S. Luv's Karysma and the 3rd champion for her sire Ch. Bowers Hard Drive. She was shown exclusively by her breeder/owner Sally Dahlke.

BLACK RIBBONS**Ch Carbor Save A Dance For Me**

Ginger

My Spice of Life ...my healer
Ginger looked into your eyes and saw if you were not feeling well. She was a comfort to the sick and a clown for children.

She loved everyone so much!
She made me laugh and cry.

She was a source of great joy as well as great sorrow.
I am going to miss my wonderful little girl!

Carla Borrelli

**TICK BEGONE!**

Believe it or not....it works! It works in those places where it's sometimes difficult to get to with tweezers: between toes, in the middle of a head full of dark hair, etc.

Apply a glob of liquid soap to a cotton ball. Cover the tick with the soap-soaked cotton ball and swab it for a few seconds (15-20).

The tick will come out on it's own and be stuck to the cotton ball when you lift it away. This technique has works every time and it's much less traumatic for the patient and easier for you.



If you need a Membership Application or if you have changed your email address, mailing address or phone number, please contact Carla Borrelli cborr@aol.com 716-627-3206

MEN'S 3-BUTTON SPORT SHIRT

Beige with contrasting collar and sleeve trim

\$35 plus \$5.00 postage

SIZES: Medium, Large, XL, XXL

MEN'S 3-BUTTON SPORT SHIRT NAVY WITH POCKET

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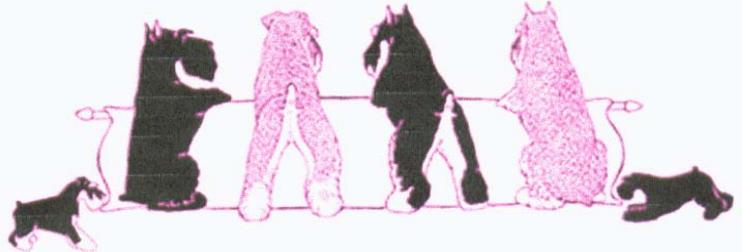
SWEATSHIRT in STEEL BLUE

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FRONT



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Lori Bush



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.

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