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## Be Aware: This Is One Parasite You CAN Get from Your Pet

By Dr. Becker

Your veterinarian may have just told you that your pet has giardia. And the news may have come as a complete surprise since you had no idea there was anything wrong with your dog (or less often, your cat). That's because the majority of pets with giardia show no obvious signs of infection. For those pets who do experience symptoms, the most common is diarrhea that can be acute, chronic, or on-and-off.

What happens with a lot of dog owners is, about the time they're ready to call the vet about their pet's loose stools, the situation seems to correct itself. Diarrhea caused by a giardia infection can come and go, which causes many pet parents to write off the occasional loose stool as the result of indiscriminate eating or a random food sensitivity.

This is exactly why so many cases of giardia go undiagnosed – sometimes for months or even years.

Eventually, a dog with a long-standing giardia infection can suffer a severe, debilitating episode of bloody diarrhea that causes dehydration. Most of these pets don't lose their appetite, but they often do lose a noticeable amount of weight. This is because the parasitic infection in the GI tract is interfering with digestion and absorption of nutrients from the food they eat.

### Giardia Is Often the Root Cause of Chronic GI Issues

In my experience, the giardia parasite is the root cause of many cases of chronic GI inflammation in dogs and cats. I see a lot of patients in my practice who are referred for inflammatory bowel disease (IBD) who were also giardia-positive as puppies or kittens. I also see many referrals for chronic GI issues like persistent diarrhea or malabsorption who test positive for giardia.

Many people aren't aware that giardia is

abundant in the environment. It's in puddles, ponds, rivers and other cool, moist environments.

Scientists don't know a lot about this one-celled organism. We do know it is frequently found in dogs and cats, most wild animals, and even in many people living in third world countries. Puppies bred in puppy mills and dogs living in cramped quarters with lots of other dogs also often carry the giardia parasite.

While exposure to giardia is common, acquiring disease from the parasite is less common. The disease is zoonotic, however, which means it can be transmitted from animals to humans and vice versa.

### How Your Pet Gets Infected

Your dog can be exposed to giardia by ingesting an infected cyst lurking in another animal's feces. Contamination occurs either directly or indirectly through contact with infected cysts, and the most frequent point of transmission is when a dog is exposed to contaminated water.

Once a giardia cyst makes its way to your dog's small intestine, it opens to release the active form of the parasite. These organisms have the ability to move around and attach to the walls of the intestine, where they reproduce.

Eventually, the active forms of the parasite encase themselves in cysts and pass from the dog's body in feces. The infected poop then contaminates water sources, grass, soil and other surfaces.

Another way transmission can occur is if a dog with giardia licks his behind and then licks another pet or a human.

### Diagnosing Giardia

In case you think you can learn if your pet is infected by looking at his poop, don't bother. The giardia parasite is microscopic

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# LOOK

Please let me know if you make a change

\* **DECALS & PINS.** You can get AMSC decals (\$1.00) and replacement pins (\$7.50) from

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\***LOCAL CLUBS...PLEASE send a copy of your newsletter to the following members of the Local Club Bulleting Committee.**

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and can't be seen with the naked eye.

There are a few things you should know about giardia testing. One is that parasite testing done in-house (at your vet's office) rather than at an independent laboratory is not nearly as accurate. Estimates are that up to 30 percent of in-house tests return a false negative. This means there are a lot of pets walking around with giardia who tested negative for the infection.

National veterinary labs like Antech and Idexx use standardized equipment that returns consistently reliable results, so if you're having your pet tested for giardia, I recommend asking your vet whether he or she tests in-house or sends samples out for analysis.

Another tricky issue with diagnosing giardia is that the parasite isn't shed every time your pet poops. This means there can be cyst-free stool samples from infected animals. If one of these samples happens to be the one collected for analysis, it won't show any evidence of giardia, even though your pet is infected.

I recommend an ELISA or PCR test for giardia for any pet with a history of GI issues. A fecal ELISA or PCR test is preferable to a fecal flotation test because it checks for the presence of giardia antigens. A fecal float only detects giardia cysts, which may or may not be in the particular stool sample being tested.

Unfortunately, many vets don't routinely run the ELISA or PCR test and instead, use only stool sample results that may or may not pick up evidence of infection. So make sure to ask your vet for a fecal antigen test in addition to a fecal float.

### Resolving an Infection

The giardia parasite is becoming resistant to many anti-protozoal drugs, which means more and more pets are becoming what we call persistent carriers of the infection.

What I do in my practice is run monthly fecal float tests for three to four months after completion of treatment, sometimes followed by an ELISA test to make sure the infection is fully resolved. The ELISA test can be giardia-positive for up to six months after treatment because it takes awhile for the antigens to clear out of the bloodstream. This is why I don't run them immediately after treatment completion.

A few fecal floats will give you and your vet the most accurate information about whether the infection has been successfully treated. The reason for more than one test is, again, because giardia cysts aren't passed in every stool, so a test immediately following treatment may be negative, but a test a week later could be positive. If you stop after one fecal float, it's very difficult to be absolutely sure the infection is gone.

### DOs and DON'Ts for Preventing a Giardia Infection or Recurrence

- Don't kennel your pet in close quarters with other animals.
- Do clean up your pet's poop outdoors, and don't walk your dog in areas where other animals relieve themselves.
- Don't allow your pet to drink from outdoor water sources.
- Do drop off a fecal sample with your vet twice a year for testing. This will help identify the presence of a parasitic infection before digestive function is compromised.
- If your dog's fecal intestinal parasite analysis is negative, don't routinely deworm your dog. No dewormer on the market kills every parasite in existence, and since no drug is entirely safe, there are always risks associated with giving medications. The same caution applies when it comes to natural dewormers. Don't use them "just in case," assuming one medication or herb will knock out roundworm, hookworm, coccidia, whipworm and giardia. It won't.

## Black Ribbons



\* **BISS Champion Bravo's The GREAT Gatsby** made his last journey on April 28, 2014 –1 day after his 12<sup>th</sup> birthday. During his brief show career cut short by a diagnosis of lymphoma, he achieved a ranking of #5 male miniature schnauzers in 2006. After 7 months of chemotherapy, he remained cancer-free until his death at home. There will never be another "doodlebug". He is greatly missed.

Patti Henderson

## These Meds Might Be 'Safe' for You... But They Can KILL Your Pet

An unknown side effect of the medicine you're taking could spell disaster for your pet.

Each year the ASPCA's [Animal Poison Control Center](#) receives around 90,000 calls from anxious pet owners whose dog or cat has come in contact with medicines intended for humans.

Over-the-counter pain relievers like ibuprofen and acetaminophen are the number one cause of pet poisonings.

Dr. Becker's Comments:

As a conscientious pet owner, you're very aware of poisons and other potential hazards around your home, and you do everything necessary to keep your dog or cat safe and healthy.

What you might not realize is several very common over-the-counter and prescription medications can be highly toxic to your pet.

If your pet ingests any of the following medications, time is your enemy. Do not wait or hesitate to seek help immediately if you suspect your dog or cat has been exposed to one of these drugs.

### The Deadly 10

The following human medications are the top 10 offenders when it comes to pet poisonings.

#### 1. Non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs (NSAIDs)

NSAID brand names include: Advil, Anaprox, Medipren, Naprelan, Motrin, Naprosyn, Nuprin, Aleve

Common painkillers like ibuprofen and naproxen are the most frequent cause of pet poisonings. You should never give an NSAID meant for humans to your pet. A drug that relieves your pain can do serious damage to your pet's health.

Your veterinarian may prescribe this type of medication for your dog or cat, but the dose will be very carefully adjusted for your animal's size and health requirements.

Even if you would never deliberately give your pet an NSAID, these are the kinds of medications most often found lying around the house – on a nightstand, the kitchen counter, a bathroom vanity, or dropped on the floor by mistake.

For your inquisitive cat or floor grazing dog,

these seemingly harmless drugs can be a deadly temptation. Some of these medications are coated with sugar, which can be especially appealing to dogs.

Your pet is extremely sensitive to compounds in these medicines and can become very ill from even a small dose. Cats can suffer kidney damage, and any pet that ingests NSAIDs can develop ulcers of the digestive tract.

NSAIDs metabolize slowly, which increases the likelihood toxic levels will build up. Symptoms of poisoning include digestive upset, bloody stool, increased thirst and frequency of urination, staggering and seizures.

#### 2. Acetaminophen

This is another extremely common painkiller that can mean serious danger to pets.

Acetaminophen brand names include:  
· Tylenol, Paracetamol, Panadol

Other drugs, including certain types of Excedrin and several sinus and cold preparations, also contain acetaminophen. None of the ingredients in these types of medications are a safe for your pet, so your best bet is to keep **all** human drugs out of the reach of your four-legged family members.

Cats are at particular risk from acetaminophen. This drug breaks down in her liver, and your cat doesn't have enough of the necessary liver enzymes to complete the job. Acetaminophen can damage red blood cells and compromise your cat's ability to use oxygen. Just two extra-strength tablets can be fatal to your cat.

If your dog ingests acetaminophen, liver damage can result. And the higher the dose, the more likelihood of red blood cell damage.

Symptoms of acetaminophen poisoning are lethargy, trouble breathing, dark-colored urine, diarrhea and vomiting.

#### 3. Pseudoephedrine

Pseudoephedrine is a decongestant compound found in a wide range of cold and sinus medications.

Pseudoephedrine has stimulant qualities. In your cat or dog, it will cause a rise in blood pressure, heart rate and body temperature. Behavioral symptoms

include nervousness and hyperactivity. It can also cause seizures.

A tablet containing just 30 mg of pseudoephedrine can cause a small dog to show clinical signs of toxicity. Three 30 mg tablets in the same small dog can prove fatal.

Medications which include pseudoephedrine: Sudafed, Tylenol Cold, Entex, Theraflu, Comtrex, Sinarest, Dristan Cold, Triaminicin, Tavist, Drixoral, Contac, Nyquil

This is by no means a comprehensive list, as there are literally dozens of over-the-counter and prescription drugs which contain pseudoephedrine.

#### 4. Antidepressants

If your dog or cat ingests an antidepressant, symptoms can include listlessness, vomiting, and in some cases, a condition known as serotonin syndrome. This syndrome can cause agitation, disorientation, elevated heart rate, blood pressure and body temperature, tremors and seizures.

#### 5. Diabetes medications

If you or a family member takes an oral medication for diabetes, including glipizide and glyburide, you'll want to make sure to keep these drugs out of the reach of your pets.

Anti diabetic drugs can cause a dangerous drop in blood sugar levels of a dog or cat, bringing on disorientation, lack of coordination and seizures.

Brand names of glipizide and glyburide include: Glucotrol, Glynase, DiaBeta, Glycron, Micronase, Glucovance

#### 6. Methylphenidate (for ADHD)

The type of drugs used to treat Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD) in humans are stimulants to pets. If your dog or cat ingests methylphenidate it can result in elevated body temperature, blood pressure and heart rate, and also seizures.

Brand names for methylphenidate include: Ritalin, Concerta, Methylin, Daytrana

#### 7. Vitamin D derivatives

Vitamin D derivatives like calcitriol (Rocaltrol, Calcijex) and calcipotriene (Dovonex), used to treat a wide range of human conditions including psoriasis, thyroid problems, and osteoporosis, can cause fatal blood calcium

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level spikes in your dog or cat.

Signs of toxicity include loss of appetite, vomiting, increased urination and excessive thirst due to kidney failure.

**8. Fluorouracil topical**

Just a tiny amount of this drug, used externally to treat actinic keratosis, basal cell carcinoma and other minor skin cancers, can quickly prove lethal to your dog. Symptoms of poisoning: severe vomiting, seizures and cardiac arrest.

Brand names for topical fluorouracil include Efadex, Carac, Fluoroplex

**9. Isoniazid**

Isoniazid, brand name Nydrizid, is a drug used to prevent and treat tuberculosis in humans.

Dogs, in particular, aren't able to metabolize this medication. Ingesting it can rapidly bring on life-threatening seizures.

**10. Baclofen**

The drug baclofen, a muscle relaxant, can damage your dog's or cat's central nervous system. Symptoms of ingestion/toxicity include disorientation, vocalization, seizures and coma, which can be fatal.

Brand names for baclofen include: Co Baclofen, Kemstro, Lioresal, Liotec, Nu-Baclo

The best way to keep your beloved pets safe from the dangers of ingesting drugs intended for humans is to make a habit of keeping all your medications in sealed containers, preferably in your bathroom medicine cabinet well out of the reach of your dog or cat.

Call your veterinarian, an emergency clinic or a [pet poison helpline](#) immediately if you suspect your pet has ingested one of the 10 drugs listed above, or any medication intended only for humans.

***Bouquets & Biscuits***

\* **MACH9 Gala Solar Event MXS3 MJS3 NJP XF T2B** (Ch. Bravo's The Great Gatsby x CH. Gala Cosmic Event) earned her MACH 9 on April 25, 2014 ay Lakes Region Kennel Club. Soleil was bred by Gay and Larry Oltjenbruns and is owned by Robin & Bob Ohrt.

\* **Legacy's Spitfire** "Grace" earned her MACH on May 3, 2014 at Talcott Mountain Agility Club. (CH. Tomar's The Fix Is In x Bravo's Clear Days Ahead at Legacy). grACE was bred by Patti & Mack Ledgerwood and is owned by Robin Ohrt

***Bouquets & Biscuits***

\* **Southcross Road Rage** "Fury" UDX OM VER RN NA NAJ (CH Wards Creek's Extreme Commitment and CH Classic Southcross Eclipse CD RN) was invited to participate at the 2014 National Obedience Championship on March 29-30 in Harrisburg, PA. This was Fury's first National Competition and she earned 2nd Pace in the Terrier Group. There were 126 Obedience dogs from all Groups and from across the country competing - it was truly an honor for me to be a part of this annual event.

Fury was bred by Sonny Lelle, Elgin, Texas, and owned, trained, shown and loved by Louise Botko, Minneapolis, MN. Fury is my third miniature schnauzer from Sonny, all of whom have been super companions and top of the line performance dogs. Thank you Sonny for placing these 3 remarkable miniature schnauzers (Fury, Chrissy and Brix) with me. They have truly enriched my life over the past 20 years. You're the best!

**Dog Chews That are Extreme Choking Hazards**

**Rawhide chews** are processed skin, (sometimes formaldehyde is used)and while some types are safer than others, they all carry a higher choking and intestinal obstruction risk than other types of recreational chews.

**Tendon chews** are a very popular item right now, but the ones you buy for your pet should be labeled as to their country of origin and location of processing. And we recommend the very longest size chew.

**Pizzles** (made from penises) can be dangerously small even for the tiniest dogs, and pig ears are a common location for hormone implant injections in live food animals. Feeding these products to your dog could lead to a buildup over time of concentrated residues that could be harmful to your pet's health.

Some chews are fully edible and can be a good choice for certain dogs, including scarfers. Some edible dental bones may contain questionable ingredients, so read labels carefully. Synthetic chews made of rubber or plastic are not recommended, especially with such a wide variety of healthier options available.

In multi-dog households, monitoring dog-to-dog interactions when offering recreational bones and chews is extremely important. The most coveted resource of the dogs in your home is often a favorite bone or chew. Never underestimate how protective a dog can become when another dog or person tries to "steal" his bone.

**GREAT WESTERN ACCOMMODATIONS**

Block rates are available at the following hotels under **Great Western Terrier Association Exhibitor:**

~ ~ ~ **The Queen Mary was completely remodeled by the new owner this year** ~ ~ ~

**Your Staterooms Await ...1126 Queens Highway, Long Beach, CA(877) 342-0742 Queen Mary In-house Reservations or (562) 435-3511 or 800-437-2934 – Queen Mary Ship's Operator – ask for In House Reservations "Great Western Exhibitor Block"**

Room	Single	Double
Run of House	\$129	\$129
Deluxe Kings	\$129	\$129
1 King/1Twin	\$149	\$149
2 Queens	\$149	\$149

**Pet Fee** – one-time \$75.00 non-refundable paid upon check-in for all rooms housing a pet.

Due to the popularity of this hotel, the busy travel season and the overwhelming demand for hotel rooms on board The Queen Mary, an early cancellation policy may be in effect for The Queen Mary. Please check with the Queen Mary when you are making your reservations.

**May 26, 2014 – Reservation Deadline.**

**HOTEL CURRENT** (formerly *The Guesthouse*)

**5325 East Pacific Coast Hwy., Long Beach, CA**

**(562) 597-1341 or (800) 990-9991**

**SPECIAL RATE: \$99 Per Night – Lifestyle Room**

**\$129 Per Night – Lifestyle Suite**

**\$50 Non Refundable Pet Deposit for entire stay.**

**Reservation Deadline: June 4, 2014**

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## Minutes – April 16, 2014 AMSC Board Meeting

The American Miniature Schnauzer Club Board Meeting was called to order by President Wyoma Clouss at 9:03 PM EST via conference call.

**Officers Present:** Wyoma Clouss – President, Kathy Colby – Vice President, Sharon Edwards – Treasurer, Carol Hafner – Secretary, Don Farley – AKC Delegate

**Board Members Present:** Nita Ainsworth, Patti Henderson, Penny Hirstein, Kaye Kirk, Margo Klingler, Vicki Kubic, Cindy Molieri, Luana Nedich, Patricia O'Brien, Beth Santure, Lisa Sarvas, and Brooke Walker

**Adoption of the Agenda:** Patti Henderson made a motion that the agenda be approved. This was seconded by Margo Klingler. Motion passed unanimously.

**Reading of the Minutes of Previous Board Meetings:** Minutes stand as submitted to the Board. Motion of approval was made by Vicki Kubic and seconded by Penny Hirstein. Motion passed unanimously.

**REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT:** Wyoma Clouss

Nothing to report, committee discussions will cover her issues.

**REPORT OF THE SECRETARY:** Carol Hafner

### Correspondence (Received):

- (1) AKC
  - a. Approval of Designated Specialty at Long Beach (Queen Mary)
  - b. National Owner Handler Series availability for local and National specialties
  - c. Request for AMSC logo for display on AKC Pet Disaster Trailer
  - d. Approval for Veterans and Puppy Sweepstakes at Long Beach (Queen Mary)
  - e. Closed out events for processed Scottsdale designated specialty and sweepstakes events
  - f. Closed out agility event at Scottsdale plus application for 2015 included

- (2) Miscellaneous
  - a. Contract for Show Dog Video Pros for Montgomery County videos
  - b. **Public inquires on grooming equipment and puppy training**
  - c. **Emails on plastic molds, grooming shows, veterinary supplies and engraved trophies**

### Correspondence (Sent):

Emailed executed contract with Show Dog Video Pros for Montgomery County videos

### Membership:

As of 04/16/14 our membership totaled 458 Regular, 6 Life, 35 Foreign (w/voting privileges), and 26 Foreign (w/o voting privileges) for a total of **525**.

### Local MS Clubs:

- (1) There are presently 18 local clubs that are active and licensed to hold specialty shows.
- (2) Reminders to all Local MS Club Delegates to please have their show chairman forward a marked catalog to the AMSC Secretary following their show. Or email, to the AMSC Secretary, a link with your show results from the Superintendent's website. That information allows us to track the data.

**REPORT OF THE TREASURER:** see p. 7

**REPORT OF THE AKC DELEGATE:** Don Farley

AKC is in okay shape financially. Menaker, Garvin, and Dok were elected to the board. The proposed amendments to Field Trials passed. And the Delegate Obedience, Tracking and Agility Committee, voted to change its name to the Delegate Companion Events Committee and to incorporate Rally into its charge. This passed also. Chris Walker was promoted to VP of Marketing and Communications. Suggestion made to have Reserve Junior Handler award. AKC PAC is initiating the President's Challenge to raise \$75,000. The Disaster Relief trailer program has raised \$244,000 in donations and with the AKC Reunite commitment, have half a million. Emergency Relief Organizations need to apply for a trailer; Clubs can help with that.

Read for voting on in June:

Amendment to Article VI, Section 5, of the *Charter and Bylaws of the American Kennel Club* would remove eligibility restrictions on Delegates for certain classes of persons previously excluded from approval as Delegates. It opens membership to judges who charge fees in excess of expenses; professional handlers; persons who engage in the retail sale of dog food or dog supplies; and publishers or those who promote show dogs and kennels through solicitation or acceptance of advertisements in commercial dog publications; and dog show superintendents. It also adds

convictions for animal cruelty as a basis for not approving or for removing someone who is a Delegate. Motion to approve that the AMSC supports a vote for this change through our AKC delegate was made by Margo Klingler and seconded by Luana Nedich. Extensive discussion took place about which people should be delegates or not. The portion on animal cruelty is moot. A delegate belongs to any recognized AKC member clubs. Motion to support the change was passed by a vote of 12 ayes, 4 nays and 1 abstention.

Amendment to Chapter 14 New Section - Rules for Retriever Trials of the Retriever Field Trial Rules and Standard Procedures for Retriever Trials. This is a new section introducing the Qualified All-Age 2, or QA-2 title, which is meant to acknowledge an intermediate level of achievement in order to encourage participants to remain active in the Sport and in the clubs.

### UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Equipment sales ads in AMSCope - Is there a policy?

No AMSCope policies were known by any Board members on the call. The pros and cons of having advertisements in AMSCope were discussed. There are many avenues other than AMSCope for selling equipment. A motion was made to reaffirm a policy of not accepting sales advertisements in AMSCope by Don Farley and seconded by Penny Hirstein. The motion passed by consensus. Policy could be developed as to what could be put on the list as an alternative to AMSCope advertisements.

2. AMSC Website Breeder Referral System update

Wyoma suggested we use something similar to the Yorkshire Terrier intro to their Referral section:

<http://www.theyorkshireterrierclubofamerica.org/breeder-referrals>  
**Breeder Referrals**

### PLEASE READ THIS INFORMATION CAREFULLY

*The Yorkshire Terrier Club of America Inc. has a listing of member breeders who*

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**REPORT OF THE TREASURER: Sharon Edwards – March 29, 2014****Financials**

	<b>Balance</b>	<b>Balance</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>Variance Explanation *</b>
	<b><u>1/31/2014</u></b>	<b><u>3/29/2014</u></b>		
Checking \$52,319.07	\$51,877.17	-\$441.90		Dues payments of \$1,757 (checks only), merchandise sales \$1,815 (Scottsdale), Agility  Trials income \$1.034, transfer from Paypal \$3,000 (dues payments), transfer to trophy \$825, offset by expenses detailed below
Rescue	\$7,539.65	\$7,539.77	\$ .12	interest
Health	\$5,723.91	\$5,724.00	\$ .09	interest
Holding	\$14,003.77	\$14,003.98	\$ .22	interest
Savings	\$33,919.23	\$33,921.98	\$2.75	interest
PayPal	\$1,203.35	\$487.74	-\$715.61	PayPal receipts (dues, mdse sales) not yet transferred to checking account
Trophy	\$7,220.90	\$6,819.52	-\$401.38	Donations of \$825 offset by Scottsdale trophy expense of \$1,214 and additional shipping \$12
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$121,929.88</b>	<b>\$120,174.20</b>	<b>-\$1,555.72</b>	

\* Material variances are explained; all other small variances account for change in balance, including interest. Note that the AMSC uses the cash basis of accounting and all reports reflect this methodology.

**Income/Expense Recap**

Significant transactions not detailed above since the January report include the following.

**Income:**

Detailed above

**Expenses:**

Inventory – Special Projects	\$2,902	cost of goods sold - new mdse.
Eukanuba Meet the Breeds	\$1,292	two years' expenses for booth – 2012 and 2013
Travel – AKC Legislative conf.	\$428	December, 2013 conference in Orlando
AKC flyers 2013	\$226	invoiced for full year in arrears
AMSCope (2 months)	\$194	

**Scottsdale Roving Expenses:**

Travel expenses – conformation judge	\$598
Agility equipment rental	\$350
Travel expenses - agility judge	\$398
AMSC share of tent, table, rental	\$196
Agility ribbons	\$110
Sweeps judge gift	\$106
AKC fees - agility	\$150
Board Meeting expenses	\$113
Agility secretary's fees	\$70
Judges' education supplies	\$147

When you have an expense related to AMSC business, please submit your expense report in a timely manner to Sharon Edwards.

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have agreed to and signed the YTCA's Code of Ethics and Conduct. This listing should be used for reference only and due diligence is your responsibility. Note: the YTCA does not guarantee the health or services provided by any member and does not assume any liability regarding agreements provided by the consumer and the YTCA members listed within. Buyers should use utmost care before making a decision to purchase a dog. This listing does not bind the YTCA nor does it guarantee or accept any liability or responsibility for the quality, health, or temperament of any dog. NO warranty is to be assumed or implied by this publication by inclusion or omission as it pertains fitness of merchandise or integrity, by any YTCA member on this list.

Code of Ethics and Code of Conduct  
Top of Form

I have read, understand, and agree to the policy above.

Wyoma Bottom of Form

put a draft together and sent it out by email for Board review. Her suggested format is based on the Code of Ethics and is the following:

Application for Referral listing on AMSC webpage

"As an AMSC Member, you are expected to abide by our AMSC Code of Ethics when dealing with each other and with the public, and you are expected to provide factual information about MS. Any MS placed or sold is expected to be clean, free of parasites, healthy, well socialized, and honestly represented which includes any relevant health risk. You are expected to be honest and competent in services such as grooming or training that you provide. Any complaints against you or the services that you provide related to this Referral listing will be investigated by the Ethics Committee, and negative findings may result in your listing being revoked."

**AMSC Code of Ethics:**

**PREAMBLE**

This Code of Ethics is intended to serve as a guide that members of the American Miniature Schnauzer Club follow, recognizing their role as guardians of the breed, and having a common interest in the protection and well-being of the breed and of the individual dogs that members own and produce in their breeding programs. Implicit in membership in

the American Miniature Schnauzer Club is the understanding and full acceptance of the Code of Ethics.

**GENERAL CONDUCT**

Members of the American Miniature Schnauzer Club strive to:

1. Comply with the Rules and Regulations of the American Kennel Club (AKC), the Constitution and By-laws of the American Miniature Schnauzer Club (AMSC) and the Code of Ethics.
2. Conduct themselves in a manner that reflects positively on themselves, the breed, and the AMSC.
3. Exhibit good sportsmanship and good will at all dog-related events.
4. Make no false or misleading statements concerning the Miniature Schnauzer breed or other breeds or breeders.
5. Be responsible dog owners, treating their dogs humanely and providing them with adequate food, water, shelter, veterinary care, exercise, grooming and the socialization and training necessary for them to be good family companions.
6. Make every effort to learn about the structure, anatomy, action, inherited traits and behavior of the dog, especially where such learning applies to the Miniature Schnauzer.
7. Use the official standard of the breed when evaluating and breeding their own stock, and encourage its application in judging.
8. Participate in efforts to assess and improve the health of the individual dog and of the Miniature Schnauzer breed, including, but not limited to, participation in valid, reliable and responsible testing for hereditary diseases, providing samples and information for development of hereditary disease tests, and sharing health information with other AMSC members. Be honest, factual and not misleading or fraudulent in any written or oral statement about dogs and breeding programs, whether about their own dogs or those of others.

**BREEDING**

Members of the American Miniature Schnauzer Club, as guardians of the breed, strive to breed conscientiously, taking responsibility for the lives they produce, including responsible placement of all puppies produced by any breeding, to ensure the safety and well-being of the individual dogs and of the breed.

Accordingly, members of the American Miniature Schnauzer Club will:

1. Educate themselves to recognize the correct conformation of the Miniature Schnauzer, familiarizing themselves with the AKC breed standard and representative dogs, prior to breeding a stud dog or a brood bitch.
2. At all times breed for the improvement of the breed as exemplified by the AKC standard.
3. Breed only animals that are in good health and who are physically and temperamentally sound.
4. Strive to produce puppies of such quality that they will serve to improve and complement the breed and avoid breeding individual Miniature Schnauzers known to have, or are strongly suspected of having, a serious inherited disease or defect that will likely be passed on to offspring and that, if inherited, would significantly affect the quality of life of any offspring that would be produced.
5. Represent each puppy sold as accurately as possible.
6. Share information gained through breeding with other Miniature Schnauzer owners.
7. Act as a mentor to persons with whom they place puppies and encourage an open dialog for the life of the dog.

**REGISTRATION AND SALES OR TRANSFER OF OWNERSHIP**

Members of the American Miniature Schnauzer Club will:

1. Sell each puppy or adult with a written health guarantee, a three-pedigree, a record of immunizations, care and feeding instructions, and registration papers where applicable.

**MINUTES...cont'd from p.6**

2. *Inform the buyer of the characteristics of Miniature Schnauzers, and make available to the novice the benefit of his advice and experience.*
3. *Sell any puppy or adult having a known hereditary health defect or unsound temperament only with a Limited Registration and Spay/Neuter Contract.*

*If a puppy is sold as a companion animal, it may be sold one of two ways:*

1. *On a Limited Registration.*
2. *On a Spay/Neuter Contract whereby the breeder may withhold AKC registration papers until receipt of proof that the puppy has been altered.*

*The breeder shall remain responsible for the welfare of every dog he breeds, sells or places. This means making himself available to aid the new owner if and when the need presents itself. If in the future the owner is not able to keep the dog, the owner should be instructed to contact the seller and the seller will have the responsibility either to take the dog back or find it a new home.*

*The breeder will not sell or dispose of any dog through pet shops, wholesalers, commercial dealers or paid agents.*

**HERITABLE DISEASES/CONDITIONS**

*Members of the American Miniature Schnauzer Club will:*

1. *Make a determined effort to have all breeding animals tested for the presence of all heritable diseases or conditions known to afflict Miniature Schnauzers and not breed those discovered to be affected.*
2. *Send a report of the adverse test results to the AMSC Health Committee.*

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*Signed... Dated...*

Motion was made by Luana Nedich and seconded by Nita Ainsworth to take the draft of Wyoma's and refer to Ethics committee for review and refinement and discuss by the Board online for approval at Long Beach. Motion passed unanimously.

3. Website development update  
Vicki Kubic – Old website was a work in progress for many years. The committee is sifting through all the information that is currently on the website and putting it into components to try to manage the content of the website. FAQs need to be updated and help is needed to get this task finished. Pet grooming section is being reworked by Karen Brittan. Health Committee information for the public site will be worked on in the near future. Headliner of the new website needs a higher quality, layered photo to work with and the Board will seek help on this task.

4. Report of Trophy Committee plans  
Nita Ainsworth - Connie Krohn has been hired to produced the trophies for Montgomery County and Great Western specialties; they will be stretched canvas paintings for these shows. For the Roving Specialty, the plan is to have hand painted tack boxes and totes.

All three shows (the Roving, Montgomery County and Great Western) are of equal importance and should be all considered national shows. Designation of a single national was forced upon us by AKC for invitations to Crufts for the breed winners. Also, the national show is the only one that the AMSC can have reserve majors depending on count. Historically, the Trophy Committee has selected and managed trophies for all three shows equally and often used a single vendor for a single year for all trophies. Sharon Edwards will draft up some language for Trophy Committee guidance from the Board.

5. Site of Future National Roving Specialty - tabled from last Board meeting, possible January show with Desert Empire in Palm Springs?

January 5-8, 2017 would be when this show would take place at Palm Springs. Southern CA club will support the show and could move one of their specialties there. The local terrier club will help with getting the judges that we want. There would need to be an exception granted by the Board to have the Roving outside the currently designated time period. Various other centralized state locations were mentioned including Chicago (benched show) and Kansas City. Item is tabled until next Board meeting.

6. Designation of West Coast show as the official National Specialty  
2014 is definitely Montgomery County as the National specialty. This Board decision will apply to 2015 and beyond. By rotating the location, it gives the opportunity for members to showcase their dogs that cannot currently be done when Montgomery County is the National specialty each year. Schnauzerpalooza did break tradition of having our National specialty at Montgomery County. Patti Henderson made a motion and was seconded by Brooke Walker to rotate the National specialty designation starting with Montgomery County in 2014, Great Western in 2015, Roving (Minipalooza) in 2016 and returning to Montgomery County in 2017. The motion passed by a vote of 15 ayes and 1 nays.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Associate Membership – Item is tabled until next Board meeting.
2. Approval of Additional Breeder Mentors – Brian and Wade Bogart Both have completed their applications and met the criteria. Patti Henderson moved to approve their addition. Motion passed unanimously.

**X. ADJOURNMENT: 11:09 pm EST**

**Next Board Meeting Thursday, June 19, 2014 at Long Beach, California (Queen Mary)**

Respectfully submitted by Carol Hafner, AMSC Secretary

### **NOMINATING COMMITTEE**

This is to inform the list that the Nominating Committee has been formed and we are looking for members who would like to serve our club. We are accepting nominations for Officers and Board Members.

The Nominating Committee is made up of the following:

Carla Nickerson, Chair  
Patty Ledgerwood  
Bonnie Keyes  
Eunice Revsbech  
Jackie Ebersbach  
Carol Weinberger-alternate  
Stella Van Cleve-alternate

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**Susan Quinn**

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Sponsors: Beth Santure, Diane Gardner

Susan currently owns two Miniature Schnauzers. She is not a breeder. She has been involved in conformation for two years, agility for sixteen years and obedience for eighteen years. Susan attends approximately 25 events per year. She belongs and has served as President of the Miniature Schnauzer Club of Michigan. She has also served as Vice President, Education Chairman and Board Member. Susan is interested in Obedience and Agility. She enjoys competing in Obedience and Agility with her Mini's and states that she's also competed in Lure Coursing and Earthdog events. Susan says that she's recently begun showing her youngest Mini in conformation and that she looks forward to learning from other members.

**Brian P. Kruse**

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Sponsors: Vicki Stephens, Ken Allen

Brian had his first Miniature Schnauzer 22 years ago and has been breeding for the past 8 years. He also owns a Giant Schnauzer. He is a breeder and has had five litters in the last five years. His stud dog has been used 5 times. Brian has been involved in conformation for 22 years, breeding for 8 years and obedience for 2 years (Brian bred GSP and Shelties since 1993, but now just breeds Mini's). In the past year, they have not attended many events as they have had two litters and stayed home to raise them. In the past, they have attended shows each month, if not more per month. Brian and Colin belong to the Canadian Kennel Club, the Miniature Schnauzer Club of Canada, Brian is past President and has been Show Chair for the Comox Valley Kennel Club from 2002-2007. Brian is a business owner and Colin is an RN. They are interested in Newsletter, Electronic Media, Legislative Issues, Awards/Trophies, Education, Ethics and Health. They enjoy spending free time with their dogs and travelling to shows together. They have decided that they want to spend more time in the States showing their dogs in the future and wish to be members of the AMSC. Brian has been a club president for 8 years as well as a show chair and will also be starting the process to get his judges license. Colin

**NEW APPLICANTS**

is a hard worker who is always willing to help even over distance. They believe these skills would be helpful to the AMSC.

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Michael has owned many Miniature Schnauzers over the years, too many years to list, he says. He is a breeder and has had ten litters in the last five years. He has been involved in conformation for 69 years and Judging for 15 years. He has gone to approximately six events in the past year due to ill health. Michael belongs to Dogs Queensland, he is a life member of the UK Kennel Club (69 years), he is a past President of Schnauzer Club N.S.W, and past President of Schnauzer Club Queensland. Michael is retired and is interested in Newsletter, Education and Health. He has shown and bred dogs since the age of 7 - Miniature Schnauzers since 1960 in UK - since 1966 in Australia.

**Christopher M. Castle**

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Christopher has four Miniature Schnauzers. He is not a breeder. He is involved in agility and attends approximately seven events per year. He belongs to Calcasieu Kennel Club of Lake Charles, LA. Charles works as a financial advisor for New York Life. He says he is very active with his dogs and training them for agility. He enjoys training, raising and grooming them to perfection. He is a self employed father of two boys who will eventually handle his dogs with him.

**Dr. Mary K. Summers**

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**Mary** has two dogs. She is not a breeder. She has participated in conformation for 25 years, breeding 20 (she no longer breeds, she used to breed Newfoundlands), obedience 6 years and agility 4 years. Mary attends approximately 50+ events per year. She does not belong to any clubs at this time, but she used to be a member of the Newfoundland Club of

America for 20 years. Mary is a retired Clinical Psychologist. She is interested in Newsletter, Education, Obedience, Agility and Health. Mary says she has time available and is willing to support others and work in the background.

**Leslie Cromer**

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Sponsors: Shawn Imler, Debi Durst

**Leslie** has had Miniature Schnauzers for 37 years. She presently has 6 Mini's and one Saint Bernard. She is a breeder and is involved in conformation, agility, obedience and breeding. Leslie attends approximately 20 events per year. She does not belong to any other clubs at this time. As stated above, Leslie began with the breed 37 years ago, purchasing a breeding pair from George Jacobus 5 years ago and have since enjoyed rally and agility competitions. Shawn Imler is currently showing a bitch that Leslie co-owns with Debi Durst. Leslie is employed as a riding instructor and her interests with the club lie in education, obedience, agility, ethics and health.

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Regular Classes: Mary Jane Carberry  
Sweepstakes: David Owen Williams  
Centennial State MSC May 30, 2014  
Regular Classes: Mrs. Chris Levy  
Sweepstakes: Mrs. Cindy Wallace  
MSC of Southern CA June 20, 2014  
Regular Classes: Robert Black  
Sweepstakes: Tammy Colbert  
MSC of Southern CA June 21, 2014  
Regular Classes: Claudia Seaberg  
Sweepstakes: Janet Allen  
Lone Star MSC of Dallas July 3, 2014  
Regular Classes: Wood Wornall  
Sweepstakes: Della Highley  
Milshore MSC July 25, 2014  
Sweeps: Brook Berth  
Reg Classes: Dale Miller

#### AMSC SPECIALTIES

Great Western June 22, 2014  
Regular Classes Marcia Feld  
Sweeps: Kim Cox Griffin  
Montgomery Co. October 5, 2014  
Regular Classes Margo Klingler  
Sweeps Carla Nickerson  
Roving Specialty- Denver Feb.15, 2015  
Regular classes, Wyoma Clouss  
Sweeps-Kurt Garmaker  
Great Western June 21,2015  
Regular classes, Judy Smith  
Sweeps-Shawne Imler  
Montgomery Co. October 4, 2015  
Regular classes: Michael Dougherty  
Sweeps:Sharon Edwards .

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## **2014 AMSC Outstanding Sportsmanship Nomination**

The nominee and nominator may be any Regular, Foreign, Junior, or Life Member of the AMSC. Any Local club may also submit a nomination. Nominations will be reviewed by the committee and the winner will be announced at the Annual Meeting. Nominator must have known the Nominee for at least 3 years.

Nominator:

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Nominee:

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Why should this person be awarded the Outstanding Sportsmanship Award? Please give specific examples. Use additional sheets, if needed

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**All Entries must be postmarked by September 20, 2013**

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