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Sweepstakes: Judge: Joan Huber

B in Sweeps...LONEACRE'S GRAND SLAM./Quinn
BOS in Sweeps...ALLARUTH CARMEL SWEET MARIE V SOLE BAYE /Ziegler/Phelps
BVin Sweeps...CH WARDS CREEK'S NIGHTLY BUSINESS/Schnetzler

Regular Classes: Judge: Penny Hirstein

WD...LONEACRE'S GRAND SLAM /Quinn
RWD...WARDS CREEK'S COOL CAT /Schnetzler
WB/BOW...MANIT'S KIR ROYALE /Itriago
RWB...KWIC SLICK UPTOWN CHICK /Colby/Valverde
AOM...CH TOMAR'S THE FIX IS IN /Krohn
AOM...GCH TOMAR'S CAPTAIN KIRK Paisley
AOM...CH MINUTEMAN TOXICOLOGY /MacMillan/Prokopetz
Sel...GCH YANGA'S ALL THE TIME /Martinez
Sel...GCH LEGACY'S POHL DANCER OF TOMAR /Williams/Garmaker
BOS...GCH LEGACY'S POHL DANCER OF TOMAR Lederwood/Pohl/Paisley
BOB/Gr.3...GCH LEGACY'S POHL DANCER OF TOMAR /Phelps/Ziegler

Allergic Dermatitis: The NEW #1 Reason Dogs Visit Vets, and How to Treat It at Home By Dr. Becker

In 2012, the health issue that brought the greatest number of dog owners to the vet's office was atopic or allergic dermatitis. According to Veterinary Pet Insurance (VPI), for the first time in five years, allergies knocked otitis externa (inflammation of the outer ear and ear canal) out of first place.

VPI policyholders spent over \$58 million last year treating the 10 most common health problems in their pets. The average amount spent for a vet visit for an allergic dog was \$96.

The costliest canine condition treated in 2012 was osteoarthritis, which ran an average of \$258 per appointment.

Top 10 Canine Medical Conditions in 2012

1. Atopic or allergic dermatitis
2. Otitis externa (ear inflammation)
3. Pyoderma/hot spot
4. Benign neoplasia
5. Gastropathy (stomach disease)
6. Osteoarthritis
7. Enteropathy (intestinal disease)
8. Cystitis or urinary tract infection
9. Periodontitis/dental disease
10. Soft tissue trauma

Tips for Treating the Top 3 Canine Health Conditions

Allergic Dermatitis

A dog with allergies should be switched to an anti-inflammatory diet, which means a diet that is very low in grain content and without potatoes. Beneficial additions to the diet include omega-3 fatty acids in conjunction with coconut oil to decrease inflammation and yeast growth throughout the body.

Helpful supplements for allergic dogs include quercetin together with bromelain and papain, diffused eucalyptus oil, and local honey.

Avoid unnecessary vaccines and veterinary drugs, and definitely don't allow a dog with allergies to be vaccinated during a flare-up.

Use foot soaks, body rinses and frequent baths to control build-up of allergens on your pet's coat and skin. Avoid shampoos with grains, including oatmeal shampoo.

Vacuum carpets and clean hard floors

regularly; wash pet bedding often; use non-toxic cleaners around the house; and consider investing in an air purifier to remove allergens from your dog's indoor living space.

Otitis Externa (Inflammation of the Ear)

If your dog has a tendency to have problems with her ears, I recommend checking them daily or every other day at a minimum. Wax or other debris left in your dog's ear canal is the foundation for infection.

The goal is to clean your pet's ears whenever they're dirty. That may mean they need to be cleaned every day, or less often if they don't produce much wax and other crud.

If you think your dog might already have an ear infection, it's important to have your vet check him out before you begin a cleaning regimen. Infections often lead to ruptured eardrums, in which case special cleaners and medications are required.

For taking care of healthy canine ears, my favorite cleaning agents include witch hazel, organic apple cider vinegar mixed with purified water (equal parts), hydrogen peroxide, green tea infusion (using cooled tea), or tea tree oil heavily diluted with purified water (do not use for cats).

Never use rubbing alcohol! It can cause burning and irritation, especially if there's inflammation.

You can use a cotton swab to clean the outside ear area, but never use them inside the ear canal. Use cotton balls instead, since they cannot be inserted too far into the ear. Cotton swabs can damage our pet's eardrums, whereas cotton balls won't.

The best way to clean the ear canal is to saturate the cotton ball with your cleaning solution and repeatedly swab out the inside of the ear, until you see no residue on the cotton ball.

Taking care of your pet's years isn't difficult! Just a few simple steps to keep his ears clean and dry will go far in preventing otitis externa and other ear conditions.

Hot Spots

If your dog develops a hot spot, you'll need

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LOOK

Please let me know if you make a change

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The deadline for the December issue is November 17.

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Legislation: Simple ways to help!

by Charlotte McGowan with permission
also with permission Lou Ann King, Papillon Revue

1. Facebook – share information about the evils of the animal rights groups. Add all your puppy customers and friends and neighbors to your friend list, especially non doggy people. Then when you send out an item, everyone gets to read it.
2. Legislators – Make friends with your legislator and their aides. Get their email addresses. Carefully select local news articles that are relevant and send them to them. If you can talk to a legislator or their aide, you can educate them.
3. Take your dogs out in public! When people compliment your dogs, tell them you are proud to own an AKC purebred dog from a responsible breeder. Tell them how great and healthy they are. Convert people everywhere to understand how nice purebred dogs are. If they tell you they “saved” a shelter dog, ask them how much they paid for it. Because there are no free dogs at shelters these days. It tends to be a business. Also ask them if it was shipped from somewhere else to your state. In a lot of areas like the Northeast, they come from somewhere else.
4. Be sure to tell people not to donate to the big animal rights groups – HSUS, ASPCA, Animal Legal Defense Fund, PETA. One fact for each group you can share:

HSUS – All the top people are vegans. They oppose all purposeful breeding of animals. Less than 1% of their \$100 million collected each year goes to help shelter dogs and cats. Their money goes to fundraising, paying big salaries, funding their pension plan, generating media to raise more money, and paying to have a paid lobbyist in every state. All working on creating a vegan world.

PETA – They annually kill 95% of puppies, dogs, cats and kittens given to them! They don't attempt to find them homes, they just kill them. They are more interested

in generating media with naked people than helping animals.

ASPCA – The run exactly one shelter in NYC. They don't fund other shelters. They sued Ringling Bros saying there was cruelty to elephants in the Circus and the judge ruled they PAID and supported a “witness” to testify what they wanted him to say! ASPCA settled the case by paying Ringlands \$9.3 million. That's where donations will go if you donate to ASPCA. ASPCA is now joining hands with HSUS to push anti dog breeding legislation around the country.

Animal Legal Defense Fund-Price Is Right host Bob Baker has invested millions funding colleges to educate animal rights lawyers. Here is the organization of those lawyers that works to give animals legal rights and take your rights away.

5. Build an email list on your computer of people you know in your state. Routinely send them information about the evils of the AR groups and enlist them to help contact legislators when bad bills come up.
6. Promote purebred dogs everywhere you go. Be an advertising agent for great dogs!



WATCH!

Because of the weather we have had, many poisonous mushrooms are coming up on lawns and in mulch. I already know of three dogs that have died from “tasting” mushrooms.

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to do two things – treat the wound, and identify the underlying cause.

In preparing to treat a hot spot, you'll need to remove the hair on, in and around the affected area. If you don't remove the hair, it will become trapped in the wound by the pus and you'll have a much harder time healing the hot spot. Also, hair in and around the affected area can create a perfect environment for the wound to get bigger and the infection to get worse.

I recommend you shave the area of the hot spot, and then mark the edges of the lesion with a Sharpie type pen so you can tell if the infection is expanding. If the infection appears to be spreading, you know you're not treating it effectively at home and you should get your pup to your veterinarian as soon as possible. Some hot spots can result in fever and serious underlying skin problems, so if you see the wound growing rather than improving after a couple of days, it's time to seek veterinary care.

Once you've shaved the area and identified the margins, clip the hair back until you see healthy skin. Then you can begin gently disinfecting the wound with a solution that will remove bacteria.

I recommend using povidone iodine, which is often sold by the brand name Betadine. It's an organic iodine with has no side effects and does a good job controlling most skin bacteria. Dilute the solution with purified water until it's the color of iced tea. Apply it to the wound using a soft washcloth or gauze.

In the beginning, while there's a lot of oozing from the wound, you'll want to repeat the disinfecting procedure as often as necessary to keep the area clean, dry and pus free.

Your goal in managing your pup's hot spot is to keep the area clean and dry at all times, so the first couple days you might need to disinfect the wound as often as every two hours.

Depending on the severity of the infection and the amount of pus the wound is producing, disinfecting two times a day should be an absolute minimum. Remember – a consistently clean and dry wound is critical to healing the infection.

After you clean the wound, you can apply a topical solution like colloidal silver, or raw aloe, or a thin layer of manuka honey, which is a raw honey made from the tea tree plant. You can also use a cool chamomile tea bag against the wound to provide a soothing effect.

Don't use anything with stinging or astringent properties on an open, raw wound. Solutions like vinegar or tea tree oil, while anti-microbial, are really painful when applied to an open, raw wound, so I don't recommend you use those types of

aggressive solutions when you are treating an infected hot spot.

Repeat the disinfecting procedure and application of a light, natural topical soothing gel afterwards until the wound shrinks in size, the infection clears and your pet is no longer bothered by the hot spot.

Finally, insuring your pet leaves the hot spot alone is critical to healing. You'll probably need to put an E collar on her to prevent her from licking and biting the affected skin.

If your dog continues to re-traumatize the wound, the infection won't clear up and the hot spot will get bigger.

As an alternative to the E collar, you might be able to manage the wound by applying a light wrap or putting a t-shirt on your pet, as long as you are sure she is leaving the wound alone.

For information on how to identify the root cause of your dog's hot spots, please read "How to Care for Your Dog's Painful Inflamed Skin Sores."

Cigarette Smoke Can DOUBLE Your Pet's Lymphoma Risk

- Some cigarette smokers don't realize that second- and third-hand smoke can be as damaging to their pet's health as it is to humans. Animals can develop lung damage and certain kinds of cancers from exposure to smoke, residual chemicals left behind by cigarettes, and from toxins that cling to a smoker's hands and clothing.

- Studies show that dogs exposed to large amounts of second-hand smoke have significant changes to lung tissue over time. Studies of smoking-related diseases in cats show that second-hand smoke may double the risk of lymphoma.

- Signs a pet is suffering the effects of cigarette smoking in the home include a dry hacking cough and more frequent attacks in pets with asthma. Pets can also ingest tobacco products found in the trash or lying around... sometimes with fatal results.

- The best way to protect your pet from second- or third-hand cigarette smoke is to quit the habit if you're the smoker in the household. The next best option is to take the same precautions you would with a child — smoke outside, wash your hands after smoking, and change your clothes to prevent transferring toxic chemical residue to your pet's fur.

- If you suspect your pet is suffering from a tobacco-related health problem, you should make an appointment with your vet as soon as possible.

The AKC Canine Health Foundation is excited to bring you breaking news of 17 new research projects funded for 2014.

The total research investment is nearly \$1.5 million and the topics include top priorities in canine health: kidney disease, chronic pain, hip dysplasia, osteochondral defects, brain tumors, Cushing's disease, high blood pressure, heart disease and eye disease. These grants are in addition to nearly \$1.5 million awarded for cancer research earlier this year. We are notifying researchers of the awards now, and the announcement of the projects to all our supporters will follow shortly. Also forthcoming are short videos by research area describing the grants and how they work in the context of our full research portfolio. Stay tuned for much more news in canine health throughout the fall! Health Tracks:

Why Support Research Outside of Your Breed

We recently asked five recognized researchers whether there is value to supporting research outside of your own breed for health problems that cross all breeds such as cancer and infectious disease, as well as diseases that appear to segregate within specific breeds, such as bloat, heart and ophthalmic diseases. It is evident to most dog owners that broad-based studies that focus on novel diagnostics and treatment strategies could have an impact across breeds, but is there value in supporting projects in breeds besides your own when the goal is to identify the genetic basis for disease? Are there examples where identification of genetic mutations in one breed have facilitated discovery in other breeds? Find out more. <http://www.akcchf.org/news-events/library/articles/the-value-of-supporting.html>

Featured Grant: Stopping Drug Resistant Bacteria

The international epidemic of multi-drug resistant bacteria is contributing to an increase in surgical site infections (SSIs) in veterinary patients. Of particular concern in dogs has been the emergence of methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus pseudintermedius*. This bacterium has recently emerged as the leading cause of SSIs in dogs around the world. Reasons for the rapid emergence of this highly drug resistant bacterium are not known, but one possible cause is biofilm production. [Learn more about this grant. http://www.akcchf.org/research/funded-research/2083.html](http://www.akcchf.org/research/funded-research/2083.html)

Minutes – September 18, 2013 AMSC Board Meeting

The American Miniature Schnauzer Club Fall Board Meeting was called to order by President John Constantine at 8:06 PM EST via conference call.

Officers Present: John Constantine – President, Beth Santure – Vice President, Sharon Edwards – Treasurer, Jane Nielsen – Secretary, Don Farley – AKC Delegate

Board Members Present: Cathi Rohrer, Cindy Molieri, Kathy Colby, Patti Henderson, Kaye Kirk, Patty Ledgerwood, Luana Nedich, Carla Nickerson

Committee Members Present (if different from those already listed in attendance): Lynn Tamms

Local Club Delegates Present (if different from those already listed in attendance): Amy Gordon

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

Reading of the Minutes of the Last Board Meeting: Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as printed in the last AMSCOPE. Motion of approval was made by Carla Nickerson and seconded by Cathi Rohrer. Motion passed unanimously.

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT: John Constantine

1. All is on track for our specialty at Montgomery County Kennel Club. Thanks to Brian Bogart for once again coordinating this specialty. This will be the first year ever that our national Specialty is not at Montgomery County Kennel Club. I know this was due to all of the excitement about Schnauzapalooza, but I certainly hope 2013 will remain as the only year. Being able to have our National Specialty at the most prestigious Terrier show in the world is very special and we should not take that lightly or for granted. It helps us to maintain our visibility and identity as a Terrier breed.

2. All is on track for AKC Meet the Breeds at the Javitts Center in NYC on September 28 & 29. Many, many thanks for Madelyn Carlin for once again heading this up. Madelyn has been doing this for AMSC for many years and doing a great job. We really need to be represented at these events and Madelyn has always been willing to step up.

3. The Central Florida MSC will once again be heading up the AKC Meet the Breeds at Eukanuba for us. Many thanks to them for giving us such a presence at this event. They always do a great job.

4. A contract has been signed and deposit sent to Purina for our 2016 Roving Specialty, Minipalooza, at Purina Farms on March 30 – April 3, 2016. Planning will be starting soon.

5. This is my last meeting as President. It has been a long 9 years. I have enjoyed working with all of you on the Board. I will continue in my role as Past President for 1 year, participate on the Board for that time, and lend assistance I can whenever asked. I plan to stay on as 2016 Minipalooza chair. You have an excellent (and experienced) successor in Wyoma Clouss. The AMSC is very lucky to have Wyoma and all the dedication she brings to us.

Wyoma has asked that all Committee Chairs continue in their capacities and she will contract them individually after elections are held. Kathy Colby has been asked to conduct the mini board meeting at Montgomery County which is held after the annual dinner.

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY: Jane Nielsen

- A printed report of the specialty clubs and shows was provided within the body of the agenda. A special thanks given to all of the local MS clubs that have sent marked catalogs that help track this information.

- Correspondence (Received):

(1)AKC

a) The AMSC event held on June 23, 2013 at Long Beach, CA has completely processed and closed.

b) Received request from AKC to update our list of AMSC Club Officers and to supply them with a current membership roster following elections in October.

(2)Miscellaneous

a) Acceptance letter from Sweeps Judge MCKC 2015 – Sharon Edwards

b) Acceptance letter from Judge for Roving Specialty Denver, CO, 2015 – Wyoma Clouss

c) Acceptance letter from Judge for MCKC 2015 – Michael Dougherty

d) Acceptance letter from Judge for Great Western 2015 – Judy Smith

e) Acceptance letter from Sweeps Judge for Roving Specialty Denver, CO, 2015 – Kurt Garmaker

f) Acceptance letter from Sweeps

Judge for Great Western 2015 – Shawne Imler

- Correspondence (Sent):

a) John sent a letter to AKC which grants blanket approval from AMSC for all of our local clubs to hold specialties in 2014.

- Membership:

As of 9/18/13 our membership totaled 466 Regular, 6 Life, 35 Foreign (w/voting privileges), 26 Foreign (w/o voting privileges), and 4 new membership applicants, for a total of **537**.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER: Sharon Edwards (see page)

REPORT OF THE AKC DELEGATE: Don Farley

1. Chairman's Report:

Alan Kalter reiterated the previous position that AKC is finally going to publically fight back against the AR attacks. He said the new public outreach partner, Edelman, along with Chris Walker and Bob Amen have been working on a public relations campaign to "change the current conversation... by confronting the prejudice and telling the truth about purebred dogs and their responsible breeders.

The target audiences are families with kids 8012, empty nesters, and federal and local legislators. They asked us to provide three type of information:

A. What we are hearing from our communities, and what the toughest questions are. They'll compile the answers and provide toolkit to respond from a position of knowledge, strength, and pride.

B. Personal stories — how you picked your breed, why you became a breeder and what has changed about the health of your breed due to the efforts of your Parent Club.

C. Who we know who can help tell the truth — e.g. supportive officials in community organizations either locally or nationally; a veterinarian who is actively involved in a professional organization either locally or nationally; or an informed and outspoken government official.

We can share all of this information with Chris Walker at cwx2@akc.org or 212-696-8232.

To quote Alan: "... it is time to stop being docile regarding the lies and propaganda that defile purebred dogs and responsible breeders.

We will communicate the truth about purebred dogs and their responsible

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breeders, emotionally and memorably.

We will increase the desire to own a purebred dog.

We will de-stigmatize responsible breeders.

We will change the conversation.

We will change the future.

2. **AKC Financial Report:** They're in good shape. Revenue is up \$2 million; expenses are being controlled, and currently there is a \$9 million positive balance on the balance sheet.

3. **Votes:** There was only one vote today. The proposed amendment to Chapter 4, Section 2 - Approval of Judges' Panels and Premium Lists of the Rules Applying to Dog Shows, which would eliminate the different time frames for sending out premium lists. The phrase "if sent by other than First Class Mail and at least FOUR WEEKS if sent by First Class Mail," is being removed from the paragraph. The amendment was adopted. The new paragraph reads:

SECTION 2. Premium list and entry forms must be printed and sent to prospective exhibitors at least FIVE WEEKS prior to the closing date for entries of show. Four copies of the premium list must be sent to The American Kennel Club at time of distribution.

- To be voted on at the next meeting:** This amendment is to Chapter 3, Section 22 - Dog Show Classifications of the Rules Applying to Dog Shows This will provide for a Bred-by-Exhibitor Class for each sex of each Miscellaneous Class breed, consistent with the requirements as currently defined in Section 8. The amendment was brought forward by Staff and approved by the AKC Board of Directors. It will be published in two issues of the online AKC Gazette and voted on it at the December 2013 meeting.

4. **AKC CAR changes name – "AKC Reunite"**

AKC Companion Animal Recovery ("AKC CAR") has a new name and tag line: "AKC Reunite, the way home for lost pets!" The new website is www.akcreunite.org. They're trying to make it less confusing for people and more recognizable.

5. **AKC Reunite's "Pet Disaster Relief Trailer"**

AKC is supporting a project to provide Pet Disaster Relief Trailers which can be used as a Co-Location Shelter to keep animals

and their human companions together in a safe place as they weather a storm. Or it can be used as a temporary Lost and Found shelter for displaced pets, where people/families can look for and be reunited with their lost pets.

AKC has earmarked \$250,000 over two years to assist Clubs in making the providing of these trailers a reality and supplying them to communities in need. They are asking all Clubs to help raise a portion of the funds needed to provide these trailers. We can make donations through AKC Reunite. The fully stocked and delivered trailers cost \$22,000 each. Each Club that donates at least \$1000 will have their logo displayed on the side of the trailer they sponsor. The more money a club donates, the larger their logo(s) will be — \$1000 = one 10" logo, \$2500 = two 12" logos (one on each side of the trailer); \$5000 = two 18" logos, and \$10,000 = two 24" logos.

More information is at <http://www.akcreunite.org/relief/resources>

Does AMSC want to consider donating to a trailer? John suggested that this topic be presented as an Agenda item so that it can be discussed further at an upcoming board meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:**A.SPECIAL COMMITTEES:**

1. **Spring Specialty:** Cindy Molieri

Things are on track for this specialty and the hotel contract has been sent to Sharon. There will be a room available for our Board Meeting at the hotel. John reminded us that this tentative AMSC Board Meeting, scheduled for Friday, February 28th, 2014, will need to be scheduled and approved at the Mini Board Meeting. Things are coming along well for Agility but Obedience issues have not yet been worked out. RV parking issues are still pending.

2. **Summer Specialty:** Vera Potiker

No Report.

3. **Fall Specialty:** Brian Bogart

· A letter was received from the Montgomery County Kennel Club (MCKC) reporting rooms have been reserved at the Hilton Garden Inn-Fort Washington, PA for the judges of their 2013 show.

· The Milshore MS Club responded to my question "Has anyone been named to replace the late Janice Ramel as the Milshore MS club delegate to the American Miniature Schnauzer Club?" They stated that Kaliegh Gonzales is their new delegate.

· The 2013 MCKC show premium list was received and carefully proof read. Corrections were sent back to the Montgomery County KC.

· Email was received from Carol Carlson, MCKC Show Chair, providing the names and contact info of those individuals responsible for various committees, grounds, parking, stewards etc.

· Obtained the list of 2013-2014 AMSC Trophy Standard Bearers from Terrie Houck of our Trophy Committee.

· MCKC sent notification stating that MB-F, superintendent for the 2013 event, will only accept catalog ads from advertising chairs named by the individual Terrier Breed Specialty Clubs. The AMSC Advertising Chair is Gloria Lewis. This notice was forwarded to Mrs. Lewis.

· An important announcement was sent by the Montgomery County Kennel Club stating that two free show catalogs are to be given to each Terrier Breed Specialty Club. These must be picked up by noon on the day of the show from MB-F. The show catalogs must be signed for by the Specialty Club president. This notification was forwarded to the AMSC President, John Constantine.

Standing Committees:

1. **AMSCOPE:** Carla Borrelli No Report

2. **Audit:** Bonnie Keyes No Report

3. **Awards:** Kathy Colby, David Kirkland. Kathy has been working on Top Dog Awards for Montgomery.

- A. Versatility Award:** Lynn Baitinger
No Report

4. **Companion Events and Performance:** Lynn Tamms No Report. Lynn has asked that she be sent a job description so that she can better address the responsibilities of this committee.

5. **Constitution & By-Laws:** Beth Santure
No Report

6. **Dinner & Annual Meeting:** Catherine Rohrer Cathi reported that attendance for the annual dinner is down. She encouraged everyone to participate and get their reservations sent. A garage sale has been planned for the annual dinner. Hopefully this will prove to be a great fund raiser for the club.

7. **Education:** Wyoma Clouss (Overall Chair and Judges Chair), Beth Santure (Breeders Chair) No Report. John reported that he will be giving a presentation in February.

8. **Electronic Media and Website:** Chris Franck

- AMSC –L:** Wyoma Clouss No Report

9. **Ethics:** Marcia Feld, Patti Henderson
No Report

10. **Guidelines:** Vicki Kubic, Diane Gardner, No Report

11. **Health:** Vera Potiker, Patti Henderson, Paula Steele DVM, Lisa Sarvas DVM, Kurt Garmaker, Sheila Marks, Patricia O'Brien, Bill Brown

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1.MAC Update - Dr. Giger has nearly completed the CHF Grant Proposal. Much of the work so far has been done with the GLF grant. He is in the process of hiring a genetics person with bioinformatic training to analyze some of the data he is amassing. In the meantime, the research continues with GLF funding acquired last year. Of note, the German samples **still** have not been obtained. We continue to explore every avenue to secure these samples. We are also trying to making contact to advise the Owner of Daddy Cool – implicated as a KNOWN Producer – and the need to be extraordinarily careful about doubling up on Newsprint or Future Shock and to be sure that information is shared with owners for any puppies out of these breedings.

2.CHIC REPORT – During the past 2 quarters CHIC has received 10 new submissions and a total of 141 CHIC registered dogs.

3.SUPPORTED CHF GRANTS– The Health Committee is very excited about the progress and possibilities with the 2 grants we have been supporting. **Grant 01418** has been able to successfully utilize genetically engineered autologous (self) cells to effectively target aberrant tumor cells in B-Cell Lymphoma and has so far achieved the original grant proposal objectives. This study represents a huge step and will have significant impact in the furtherance of novel treatment modalities in cancer. **Grant 01766**, the Broad Institute research into renal dysplasia is at the point of sample solicitation for miniature schnauzers. We are in the process of facilitating a collaborative effort between the Broad Institute and UGA Nephropathology, Dr Cathy Brown. This particularly exciting to enable collaboration. We will be publishing this solicitation call on the Website, AMSCOPE as well as the AMSC-list very soon.

Grant: 01418: *PET 2.0: Providing Engineered T-cells (PET): New Genetic and Immunotherapy Targeting Canines with Spontaneous B-cell Lymphoma*

Principal Investigator: Dr. Heather M. Wilson, DVM

Research Institution: Texas A&M Research Foundation

Grant Amount: \$150,000.00

Start Date: 1/1/2011

End Date: 12/31/2013

Original Project Description:

Lymphoma is the most common malignancy of dogs representing up to 25% of diagnosed cancers. Dogs often develop an aggressive form of lymphoma that is rarely curable, with most unfortunately succumbing to disease within 12 months of diagnosis despite best-available chemotherapies. We seek to develop a

new treatment to re-train the dog's own immune system to attack the most common type of canine lymphoma, B-cell lymphoma. We plan to obtain a small number of circulating white blood cells, called T cells, from the blood of affected dogs and insert a gene that will cause the T cell to express a receptor which recognizes the tumor "fingerprint". After docking with the lymphoma, the T cell will be triggered to mount an immune response against the tumor cells with the specific fingerprint. This therapy could be used alone or in combination with chemotherapy. Our preliminary data demonstrate that we can indeed express a desired immunoreceptor in genetically modified T cells and we show that it is possible to harvest and grow T cells in the laboratory and return them safely to the dog. Furthermore, the infused cells can be found in the blood and tumor weeks after infusion, showing that it is possible for these cells to survive in the dog. These data support our plans to develop first-in-dog T-cell therapy targeting a tumor that is basically untreatable.

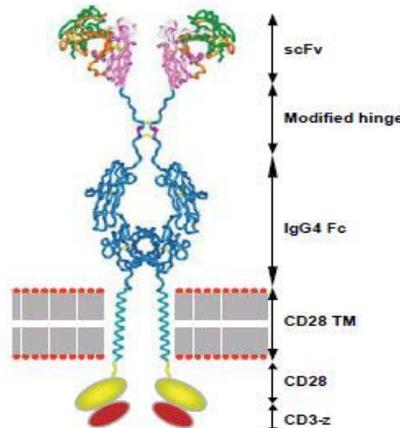
Report to Grant Sponsor from Investigator:

Figure 1: Schematic of 2nd generation CAR (shown as homodimer on cell surface) used human clinical trial. Specificity is achieved through the scFv region derived from a mouse CD19-specific mAb. Upon binding to B cells, CD28 and CD3-ζ endodomains activate T-cell cytotoxicity.

The purpose of this grant is to develop a treatment for canine B-lineage NHL using autologous canine T cells which have been non-virally genetically modified using the Sleeping Beauty (SB) transposase/

transposon gene transfer system to express a canine chimeric antigen receptor (cCAR, Figure 1) that recognizes and targets the canine B-cell marker, CD20. The goal of specific aim 1 is to develop a panel of three canine CD20-specific cCARS for fully-competent T-cell activation. The goals described in specific aim 1 include: designing three cCARS with endodomain combinations, gene transfer into canine T cells, Expanding cCAR+ T cells, and recording descriptive data (cytotoxicity, phenotypes, cytokine secretion, and T-cell expansion kinetics). This mid-year progress report describes the advancements we have made, as well as, the need for further technique optimization. Currently, we are focused on increasing the cCAR expression and transfected T-cell viability to meet the release criteria standards set forth by our human CAR trials. We have been working closely with a company to help with the electroporation optimization studies. This has taken several months of re-optimization studies with GFP and we are now optimizing using the cCAR. We are also optimizing the type of transposon used in the transfection. We have also added selection markers, as well as, imaging genes to the cCAR plasmids to aid in the detection and propagation of the T cells. Currently, we have transfected canine T cells with cCAR mRNA and recorded killing. Expanded T cells from six different canine NHL+ donors were transfected with either human CD19RCD28CD3Z CAR or canine CD20RCD28CD137CD3Z cCAR mRNA. CAR expression was monitored by flow cytometry for 6 days post electroporation. T cells from donors expressing cCAR were co-cultured with CD20neg (EL4) or CD20+ (K562 CD20+ and CNHL cell lines) target cells. IFN-γ production was measured by intracellular staining. IFN-γ expression increased when T cells were co-cultured with targets expressing the CD20 antigen. The percentage of CD20+ targets decrease, in correlation with increased IFN-γ production showing cCAR functionality. Finally, we have USDA approval on the use of the SB system to treat pet dogs with B cell lymphoma, but we now need NIH-OBA/FDA approval. We are currently exploring these areas.

Grant: 01766: *Identifying disease related genes in renal dysplasia in Boxers and additional breeds.*

Principal Investigator: Dr. Kerstin Lindblad-Toh, PhD

Research Institution: Broad Institute

Grant Amount: \$25,000.00

Start Date: 1/1/2013

End Date: 12/31/2014

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MINUTES...cont'd from p.6 col 3**Original Project Description:**

Renal dysplasia occurs in many breeds and an increased prevalence in certain breeds suggests a genetic influence. Identification of the genetic cause in dogs is essential as there is no treatment and affected dogs progress to renal failure and death at a young age. Despite prior candidate gene studies, the genetic cause of canine renal dysplasia in various breeds remains unclear. It is unknown if the same gene is affected in all breeds with renal dysplasia or if different genetic variants exist in each breed. We recently conducted a genome-wide association study in Boxers with renal dysplasia. The analysis suggests an association to an excellent candidate gene. Here we propose genetic and functional studies to identify the causative mutation in Boxers. We also propose to collect additional samples from Boxers and other breeds affected by renal dysplasia, focusing on Miniature Schnauzers, Lhasa Apsos, Shetland Sheepdogs, and Soft Coated Wheaten Terriers. Additional genome-wide association studies in Boxers and other breeds will help us dissect the genetics of canine renal dysplasia, improve our understanding of renal development in dogs and humans, and determine whether breed specific genetic tests will be required for prevention.

Report to Grant Sponsor from Investigator:

Renal dysplasia occurs in many breeds and an increased prevalence in certain breeds suggests a genetic influence. Identification of the genetic cause in dogs is essential as there is no treatment and affected dogs progress to renal failure and death at a young age. Despite prior candidate gene studies, the genetic cause of canine renal dysplasia remains unclear. It is unknown if the same gene is affected in all breeds with renal dysplasia or if different genetic variants exist in each breed. We recently conducted a preliminary genome-wide association study in boxers with renal dysplasia. The analysis suggests an association adjacent to a gene previously implicated in human hypodysplasia, a common cause of pediatric kidney disease. In this grant we propose genetic and functional studies to identify the causative mutation in boxers. We also propose to collect additional samples from Boxers and other breeds affected by renal dysplasia (including miniature schnauzers, soft coated wheaten terriers and Shetland sheepdogs) to allow genomewide association analysis of additional cases of renal dysplasia in boxers and other

breeds to be performed in the future. This will help us dissect the genetics of canine renal dysplasia, improve our understanding of renal development in dogs and humans, and determine whether breed specific genetic tests will be required for prevention. So far this year we have performed targeted large-scale sequencing of the candidate disease region linked to juvenile renal dysplasia in boxer. We have found a large number of differences between sick and healthy dogs and are now carefully analyzing these to determine which variant might be the causative mutation. The primary candidate gene is an excellent candidate, making us enthusiastic about the further study of this gene. Sample collection from other breeds has just begun and we welcome the help from pet owners and breed clubs in collection samples. **We are emphasizing miniature schnauzers, soft coated wheaten terriers and Shetland sheepdogs, but are interested in working with any breed. Information and consent forms can be found at: <http://www.broadinstitute.org/dogsamples>.**

4. 2013 National Parent Club Canine Health Conference was held Aug 9-11 in St Louis, Mo. and was attended by Dr Paula Steele. I have copied her report below:

Topics included:

*The Keynote Speaker was Brian Hare, PhD-author of *The Genius of Dogs*, founder of the Duke Canine Cognition Center in NC and Dognition www.dognition.com. Dr Hare discussed his own research in canine cognition and ongoing studies into breed differences in canine thinking. His book is a very interesting read.

*Canine Epilepsy an overview of what is presently known and some new advances in add on therapy

*New strategies to prevent Posterior Capsule Opacification- a common complication of cataract surgery

*Studies presently being done to better understand the biomechanics of the normal stifle joint vs one with a cranial cruciate ligament rupture during walking, as well as evaluating the various methods of surgical repair and the effectiveness of braces to stabilize the stifle

*The establishment of the CHF Bloat Initiative to further study Bloat

*Current research into Hemangiosarcoma-including new therapies to help dogs that develop the disease as well new methods

for prevention and control to reduce the number of dogs that develop it

*Development of a Lymphoma test which will tell how well a dog will respond to a single agent doxorubicin vs multidrug therapy

*Cytokines and canine nutrition and supplementation of diets with Bovine Colostrum to influence Immune system function

I (Dr Steele) was also able to talk with Dr. Urs Giger about his research on MAC- He is still in need of affected samples as well as parents and siblings of affecteds. He is sequencing the entire Canine Genome and not just SNIPS and evaluation of the sequences is very time and labor intensive. He is still very encouraging that he will be able to identify at least a Marker Gene if not the actual Affected gene that will be able to be used as a test.

5. PENDING PROJECTS:

AMSC Health Survey 2014- Health Committee member Patricia O'Brien is currently working on a revised survey based on the responses from the recent CHF online survey. It is expected to be announced sometime in January or February 2014.

AMSC Health Articles - Health Committee member Sheila Farvo is in the processing of reviewing all published information including verifying and applying date information. As part of her review, she will be doing literature searches to insure our article topics are up to date and current with cutting edge veterinary medicine.

Animal HealthTrust (AHT) Sample Solicitation - AHT is seeking DNA and pedigree information on all VO diagnosed BILATERAL cataracts. Collection material and mailing information is available from AMSC Health Committee members.

Montgomery County 2014 Seminar - We have already booked the 2014 AMSC Health Committee Seminar which will be given by Dr. Urs Giger and will include current research findings and data analysis.

UGA -Broad Institute Collaboration - Researchers at the Broad Institute and UGA preeminent Nephrologist, Dr. Cathy Brown, have indicated interest in a collaborative project studying Renal Dysplasia in Miniature Schnauzers in consideration of the current findings of FSGS by Dr. Brown.

12. Historian and Policy Records:

Richard Isley No Report

13. Judges Selection: Eunice Revsbech No Report. Choices were reported in the latest AMSCOpe

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14. Legislative Liaison: Kennalea Pratt No Report

15. Local Club Bulletin/ Websites: Brian Beitz, Tatiana Myers, Bonnie Keyes No Report

16. Member Retention/Expansion and Local Club Diplomat: Brooke Walker, Karen, Brittan, Marilyn Cooper No Report

17. Membership/Insignia: Stephanie Davis-Rae Stephanie reported that the membership committee is out of Illustrated Standards and Membership Decals. John reported that the Publication and Literature Committee has plenty of Illustrated Standards and he will have Patricia mail some to Stephanie. He also reported that Stephanie sent out the latest 5 year and 25 year pins and published the names of those receiving pins in AMSCOPE.

John suggested that the topic of ordering more Membership Decals be submitted as an Agenda item for discussion at a future Board Meeting.

18. Policy: Jinx Gunville No Report

19. Public Awareness: Vicki Kubic, Wyoma Clouss, Kathy Colby, Brooke Walker No Report

20. Publications and Literature: Patricia O'Brien

Inventory:

Grooming charts	104
Illustrated Standards	321
CD	19
So You want to show your Miniature Schnauzer	3
So you want a Miniature Schnauzer Puppy	19

Income:

Grooming Charts	\$39
Illustrated Standards	\$33
Total Income	\$72

Expenses:

Postage	\$ 10.79
Grooming Charts3@\$2	\$6
Illustrated Standards3@\$2.40	\$ 7.20
Total Expenses	\$ 23.99

Profit \$ 48.01

21. Publicity: Carma Ewer No Report

22. Rescue: Kelly Radcliffe No Report

23. Roving Specialty: John Constantine The 2016 Roving Specialty at Purina Farms will be March 30 – April 3, 2016. I am currently reaching out to local clubs within the AKC allowed 500 mile radius to participate with us. I would like to get 3 or 4 clubs involved. We would do Agility and OB/Rally, as well as Earthdog. I will be seeking volunteers to head up those areas.

24. Trophies: Terrie Houck, Cathy Pendelton No Report. John reported that trophies are on track for Montgomery.

25. Ways And Means: Carma Ewer, Vicki Kubic, Gloria Lewis, Catherine DiFranco, Flo Bessemer, Juanita Ainsworth, Luana Nedich There was discussion during the 2014 budget report that the club would like to see more items being sold. Luana commented that the Ways and Means Committee will meet at Montgomery and discuss project ideas. Carla Nickerson suggested that we consider offering a new afghan design as it has been profitable in the past.

Advertising report of Montgomery County Catalogue Ads – Gloria Lewis

While we had 17 nice ads last year, I am sorry to report that this year there are only 4 ads with another pending.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1) Report of Proposed Videographers for MCKC 2014 – Patty Ledgerwood

In my quest to find a videographer for Mont Co 2014, I found a very good videographer that is a real "Dog Person". The website is: <http://www.showdogvideopros.com/> He only uses his staff of videographers that are trained by him on dog show procedures. You will see he is/has been videoing many National Specialties. Live Streaming is available as well. Questions were raised about the cost and if prices include shipping. There were also questions raised about the additional expense of International shipping. John wanted to know if the company would allow AMSC to use these videos for fund raising. Sharon wanted to know if there was a minimum order requirement. Patty will talk with the company and see what options are available. She will report back at our next board meeting and further discussion will be invited. All members are encouraged to look at this website and give feedback to Patty. This discussion was tabled and will be readdressed under Old Business at the next meeting.

2) Report of Recommended vendor to support/re-create Website – Kathy Colby

Wyoma has brought several websites to my attention and we have the contact info for each web designer. Most clubs seem to use a web designer and then maintenance of the site is done by a club member. This may or may not be a possibility for us. We may want to consider having a paid webmaster. The Southern California Club pays a person \$90.00

quarterly to maintain the site and make the changes needed. The only issue we've had is to establish who can make what changes. Here are three examples of websites:

<http://schipperkeclub-use.org/schipperke/>

<http://www.giantschnauzerclubofamerica.com/>

<http://www.leonbergerclubofamerican.info/>

Kathy would like Board members to look at these websites and give feedback at Montgomery. When it is determined what websites are preferred, Kathy will pursue getting detailed information and a proposal from the company. Kathy indicated that a meeting is planned for November and information will be made available for that meeting.

ELECTION OF NEW MEMBERS: Stephanie Davis-Rae. Kathy Colby moved that the Board accept the nomination of these new applicants. This was seconded by Patti Henderson. The board voted unanimously to accept Marcia Coffman, Diana Coville, Christina Tracey and Kathy Thom as new members.

NEW BUSINESS:
No New Business

ADJOURNMENT:

John called for a motion to adjourn this meeting at 9:33 PM EST. This motion was seconded by Kathy Colby.

Respectfully submitted by Jane Nielsen, AMSC Secretary



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Bouquets & Biscuits

***CH. Landes Chairman of the Board, ESQ.** (GCH. Kruse's High Interest x GCH. Belgar's Desert Rose) finished his requirements for his AKC Championship on August 31, 2013 at the Cabrillo K.C. "Squire was bred and is owned and loved by Marilyn Lande and Lyle Harstad.

***CH Lonestar's Morgana Le Fay S/P** Bitch...She finished her requirements to become a Champion on August 01, 2013, while exclusively and expertly handled by Terrie Houck...She was bred by Richard and Sharon Edwards (Lonestar's Miniature Schnauzers)...Her Sire is GCH Tomar's Captain Morgan, owned by Mary Paisley, and is a Top Producing Sire, with 8 Champions to his credit...Her Dam is GCH Lonestar's Wicked Good, owned by Richard and Sharon Edwards, and is a Top Producing Dam, with 3 Champions to her credit...Morgan is owned and loved by Jacquelyn Ebersbach, Saxony Miniature Schnauzers, of West Palm Beach, Florida...Morgan's wins include two 4 Point Majors - Thank you Mrs. Michele L. Billings, and Mr. R. C. Williams, and her final Championship Point, Thank you Mrs. Robert S. Forsyth...Thank you to Mary Paisley, and to Richard and Sharon Edwards for entrusting one of Elle's precious puppies to my care, to Terrie Houck for her expert guidance and handling in taking Morgan from a Darling Puppy to a Beautiful Champion, and to Cathy Pendleton for all her help and TLC while Morgan was at Camp Destinee...

*** CH Aristos' The GREAT Communicator for OKaye CD, BN, RE** (BISS CH Bravo's The Great Gatsby x CH R-Bo's Bali Dancer) finished the requirements for his AKC Championship in September, after finishing his Beginner Novice, Companion Dog and Rally Excellent titles at Schnauzapalooza in May. Reagan is the third Champion for his sire, Duncan, and the fifth Champion for his dam, Sasha. He was bred by Patti Henderson, Donna Hills and Deborah Huff and is owned, trained and loved by Kaye M. Kirk.

***Carbor Call of the Wild NA NF** (Am/Can CH Carbor Hot on the Trail x Am/Can CH Carbor Prim and Proper) earned his Novice FAST agility title at the Onondag Kennel Club's trial on September 20, 2013. Jack was bred by Carla Borrelli, is owned by Judy Russell and Carla Borrelli, and is handled by John Russell. As usual, Jack celebrated his new title by going outside the trial building and howling for several minutes, encouraging everyone (canine and human) to join his song.

***Carbor Call of the Wild NA NAJ NF** (Am/Can CH Carbor Hot on the Trail x Am/Can CH Carbor Prim and Proper) earned his Novice Jumpers With Weaves title on October 5, 2013 at the Williamsport Dog Training Club. Jack was bred by Carla Borrelli, is owned by Judy Russell and Carla Borrelli, and is handled by John Russell. Jack ran with his usual joy and flash!

***Blythewood Simple Twist of Fate** (CH Blythewood Texas Cowboy x Blythewood Awesome Asia) finished his Novice Agility title on Sep 7, 2013 at the Skyline Agility Club trial in Middletown, NY and his Novice Jumpers with Weaves title on Oct 4, 2013 at the Montgomery Terrier Agility Cluster in Kimberton, PA. Dylan is owned, trained and loved by Madelyn Carlin.

Black Ribbons

CH. K-Lynn's El-Cid of Hilgirt-Jebema

January 21, 2004 - September 24, 2013

(Ch. Hilgert-Jebema Opera Ghost X Ch. K-Lyn's PB's Dancin Shadow)

Owned, Bred and Loved by Judi C. Hughes and Judy Wrynsinski Cheyenne was a Therapy Dog for 4 years and loved the children. He finished his Championship with Brenda Combs and was loved by everyone he met. He was always a gentleman, always humble, and always a friend. He will be greatly missed.

Ch. R-Bo's Secret Love

May 16, 2000-September 3, 2013.
By Ch. R-Bo's Secret of NIMH out of R-Bo's Somerset English Rose, "Babycakes" was bred by the late Mary Ann Ellis and owned by Elliott Mackle, George Mende and Mrs. Ellis. She was prepared and handled exclusively by Kurt Garmaker and Frank Long III. She was the dam of Ch. Max Bill of Fare, grand-dam of Ch. Max Postscript Whole Enchilada and great-grand-dam of Grand Champion Postscript Max Whole Nine Yards. She was George's best friend.

CENTRAL FLORIDA



MINIATURE SCHNAUZER CLUB

Central Florida MSC will be holding their 13th Specialty on Friday December 13th, 2013 at the Orange County Convention Center in Orlando Florida, in conjunction with the AKC-Eukanuba Spectacular. If thirteen is your lucky number, this could be a good sign for someone!!! As many of you may know, the AKC-Eukanuba Spectacular is now open to class dogs. When CFMSC held their first specialty at the OCC in 2011 we did not have a big entry. By the following year in dec 2012 the entry increased to 2 pts in bitches. With your support we could have FIVE DAYS OF major COMPETITION in Orlando at the AKC-Eukanuba event.



That darn mouse!

NEW APPLICANTS

Judy Rowley

50 Laurel Drive
Carmel Valley, CA 93924
no phone or email listed

Sponsors: Carol Hafner, Patricia O'Brien

Judith has owned German Shorthair Pointers, German Wirehair Pointers, a Doberman and now a Miniature Schnauzer. She is not a breeder. Judith has been active in agility and obedience for 14 years and tracking for one year. She attends approximately 10 events per year. She belongs to GWPCNC, GWPCA and Therapy Dogs International. Judith is a retired English teacher. Her areas of interest are Newsletter, Rescue, Public Awareness, Obedience, Agility, Ethics and Health. She became interested in performance, especially agility in 1998 and made 4 trips to the Agility Invitational with her German Wirehaired Pointer and received a fifth invite when her dog was 12 1/2 years old. Her current GWP has a CD and a few agility titles. He is also a welcome therapy dog. Judith is now training her Miniature Schnauzer in agility and obedience and still working with her GWP.

Andy Deer

Randy Clay

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Sponsors: Cathi Rohrer, Terrie Houck

Andy has had Miniature Schnauzers for 18 years, Standard Schnauzers for 5 years and Giant Schnauzers for 6 years. Randy has had all three sizes for 2 1/2 years. They are breeders. They have been involved in conformation for 5 years and breeding for 18 years. They attend approximately 10-15 events per year. They are also members of the Standard Schnauzer Club of America. Andy is a Registered Nurse and Randy is a Licensed Practical Nurse. Their interest lie in Rescue, Ethics and Health. Andy started in 1994 with his first Mini and had his first litter in 1995 with champion bloodline pets. In 2008, he got his first Standard Schnauzer and went to his first dog show and owner handled her to her Grand Championship. He bought his first show Mini in 2010, which was handled to his Grand Championship by Terrie Houck. He then bought another Mini and is excited about the future. They state that they are team players, hard workers, both are in the medical field and Randy is very organized.

Vera Van Wassenhove

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Email: vera@artdeco-schnauzers.com

web: <http://www.artdeco.schnauzers.com/>

Sponsors: Janet Taylor, Carole Weinberger

Vera has had Miniature Schnauzers for the past 25+ years. She has been breeding for five years. She is involved in conformation and breeding. Vera attends approximately 10-15 events per year. She works as a medical assistant. Vera is interested in Newsletter, Education, Membership and Health. She got her first dog around 1977 and her first show dog in the early 80's. She likes to exchange information with responsible breeders in Europe and other continents.

Barbara Fraile

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trufasnegras@yahoo.com

Sponsors: Shirley Sarvas, Patti Henderson

Barbara has owned Giant Schnauzers since 1998. She's had two blacks and a salt and pepper who became a champion in 2005 and bred a litter in 2007. She has had Miniature Schnauzers since 1999 and has been breeding them since 2002 and in that time produced or owned over 20 champions in over a dozen countries. Barbara, along with her sister have also had Standard Schnauzers since 2003. She has co-owned and bred them and produced some champions. She lists herself as a breeder, having had a total of 28 litters since 2008. Barbara has been active in conformation for 12 years, obedience for 5 years and breeding for 11. She is a member of Schnauzer Club Argentino and Federacion Cinologica Argentina, both located in Buenos Aires. Barbara has been involved with Schnauzers since 1998 when she got her first Giant Schnauzer at the age of 11. When she was 15, she started attending dog shows with a professional handler traveling around her country, Brazil and Uruguay learning about dogs. She has learned to groom and handle her own dogs. In 2002, she had her first litter of Miniature Schnauzers. Barbara states that, "the dogs are a part of my life" "breeding dogs for me has many meanings but the biggest joy is to see the new owners happy".

Barbara states that she lives to far away to be a direct help to the AMSC, however she does have artistic skills that may be helpful to the club. She does sculptures and does figurines in resin and bronze. Her work can be seen at <http://www.applerain.com/>.

Board Meeting 10/05/13

Commenced : 9:05PM Members Present: John Constantine, Kathy Colby, Sharon Edwards, Cathy Rohrer, Penny Hirstein, Brooke Walker, Lisa Sarvas, Patti Ledgerwood, Luana Nedich, Carla Nickerson, Carma Ewer, Vicki Kubick, Beth Santure

A vote was taken for the 2014 AKC Lifetime Achievement Awards . Bill Holbrook was voted in for conformation, Lynn Eggers was voted in for companion events, and the board members abstained from voting in the category of Performance.

John acknowledged the wonderful job done at Meet the Breeds in New York. A thank you letter will be sent to Madelyn Carlin for coordinating the event and thank you to the participants who worked the AMSC booth Marty Markworth, Don Farley, Donna, Eric, Logan, and Dylan Hafen.

John Constantine declined the position of AKC delegate. Don Farley will remain our AKC delegate. 1st John Constantine, 2nd Patti Ledgerwood

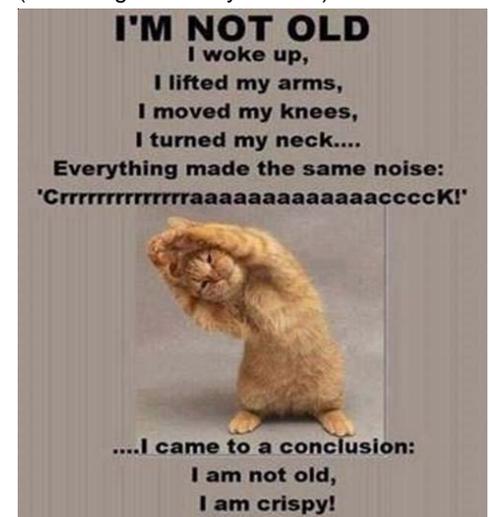
Carole Weinberger and Margo Klinger were proposed as new board members. Motion carried.

There will be a teleconference on November 13th at 8PM EST per Wyoma Clouss.

John Constantine motioned that the next board meeting be on February 28th at 8PM EST in conjunction with the roving specialty in Scottsdale, Az. 1st Carma Ewer, 2nd. Patti Henderson

Meeting adjourned 9:40PM

Respectfully submitted by Brooke Walker (recording secretary absent)



REPORT OF THE TREASURER: Sharon Edwards
September, 2013

Financials

	Balance 7/1/2013	Balance 9/1/2013	Change	Variance Explanation *
Checking	\$15,372.79	\$22,878.09	\$7,505.30	Net change due to income or cash received, Offset by expenses (material amounts noted below)
Rescue	\$7,538.76	\$7,539.02	\$.26	interest
Health	\$6,692.22	\$6,355.22	-\$337.00	Shipping expense Bell Health DVD \$337
Holding	\$14,002.11	\$14,002.59	\$.48	interest
Savings	\$33,897.39	\$33,912.12	\$14.73	interest
PayPal	\$1,703.45	\$3,039.40	\$1,335.95	PayPal receipts (trophy, mdse. sales, Palooza DVD)
Trophy	\$8,513.72	\$7,253.80	-\$1,259.92	Palooza trophies \$2,281, Great Western Trophies \$520, cleaning trophy tablecloth \$96, donations \$1,637
2013 Roving	\$26,947.25	\$26,947.25	\$0	Account closed Sept. 9, 2013. Balance transferred to checking
TOTAL	\$114,667.69	\$121,927.49	\$7,259.80	

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

Income/Expense Recap

Significant transactions since the July report not highlighted above include the following.

Income:

Palooza income \$5,184

Expenses:

Palooza DVD production - \$1,065

Palooza DVD postage and shipping materials - \$249

Liability insurance premium - \$350

Deposit for Moncto dinner - \$250

Deposit Montco breakfast - \$400

Printing AMSCOPE = \$289

John has asked Sharon to prepare a final accounting and detailed breakdown of income for the 2013 Schnauzapalooza. Sharon will prepare this information for Montgomery.

See separate attachment for 2014 AMSC Budget Report



**Looking ahead to
February 27th 2014
through
March 3rd 2014**

Mark your **2014** show calendars now and plan to attend the Cactus State Miniature Schnauzer Specialty in Scottsdale Arizona.

We will also be hosting the AMSC

National Roving Specialty this coming spring.

Featuring 6 shows in 5 days part of the **Fiesta Cluster** at WestWorld in Scottsdale Arizona

2/27 Thursday am, Sun Country Terrier Club — terrier group show

Jack Bradshaw Superintendent

***2/27 Thursday approx 12~noon, Cactus State Miniature Schnauzer Club Specialty**

Show Secretary, Linda Jacobs – lindajaz@q.com

details will be posted on the club web site - including on-line entry

2/28 Friday, Scottsdale Dog Fanciers — all breed show

Jack Bradshaw Superintendent

3/1 Saturday, Scottsdale Dog Fanciers — all breed show

Jack Bradshaw Superintendent

***3/2 Sunday, AMSC National Roving Specialty**

Jack Bradshaw Superintendent

3/2 Monday, Superstition Kennel Club — all breed show

Jack Bradshaw Superintendent

Performance Events include

5 days of Obedience and Rally Trials

3 days of Agility Trials

Refer to club web site for more information

- including on-line entry form

<http://www.cactusstatemsc.org/>

CSMSC Show Chair, Kathy Thom - schnrgab@aol.com

AMSC Liaison, Cindy Molieri -

cmolieri@wbhsi.

AMSC 2014 Budget Consolidated			Budget 2014	Comments	Budget 2014	Comments
Income					Printing & Publications	
Contributions					AMSCOpe	\$1,880 Avg of \$145/month, plus roster \$140
Health	\$500				AKC Fliers	\$250
Purina Parent Club Program	\$1,200				Judges' selection	\$75
Rescue	\$0				Secretary	\$120
Memorials	\$0				TOTAL Printing & Publications	\$2,325
Trophy Fund	\$3,000				Advertising	\$250
Other	\$100				Special Events	
TOTAL Contributions	\$4,800				Roving dinner	\$2,100
Sales					GW dinner/lunch	\$2,250
Publications	\$500				Montco dinner	\$2,100
Special Projects - Merchandise	\$500				Montco boxed lunches	\$428
DVD Sales	\$0	assumes new vendor w/no income or cost to AMSC			Sweeps judge's gift	\$300
TOTAL Gross Sales	\$1,000				Regular Judge's gift/fees	\$300
Membership dues	\$15,900	530 members x \$30			Agility/Obedience/Rally	\$2,000
Special Events					Meet the Breeds - NYC	\$750
Roving dinner	\$2,100	60 attendees x \$35			Meet the Breeds - Eukanuba	\$750
Roving Agility/Obedience/Rally	\$2,000	assumes 50 entries - break-even			Total Special Events	\$10,978
GW dinner/lunch	\$2,250	50 lunches x \$10; 50 dinners x \$35			Supplies	
Montco hospitality	\$1,500	complimentary breakfast, champagne after BOB			Membership	\$75
Montco dinner	\$2,100	60 attendees x \$35			Treasurer	\$50
Montco catalogue					Secretary	\$75
Montco boxed lunches	\$427	advertising/entry refund \$550 45 x \$9.50			Health Committee	\$75
Montco raffle/auction	\$400				Publications	\$75
Stipend - Meet the Breeds NYC	\$300				AMSCOPE	\$75
TOTAL Special Events	\$11,627				TOTAL Supplies	\$425
Interest					Cost of Goods Sold	
Paypal	\$20				Special Projects	\$1,200 refresh inventory .
checking, money market, CD	\$75				pubs	\$300
TOTAL Interest	\$95				TOTAL Cost of Goods Sold	\$1,500
TOTAL INCOME	\$33,422				Travel/conference	
Expenses					Judges travel	\$1,800 3 Specialties x \$600
Donations					Parent Club conference	\$750
TOTAL Donations	\$500				NAIA conference registration/travel	\$500 registration \$250, no air
Insurance					Canine Health Conference	
D&O	\$540				- travel expenses	\$750
Liability	\$600				AKC delegates meetings	\$1,500
Fidelity Crime	\$329				Other travel	\$0
TOTAL Insurance	\$1,469				TOTAL Travel	\$5,300
Postage & Shipping					Health Committee	
AMSCOPE postage	\$1,000	bulk purchase of stamps			Programs	\$750
Membership	\$100				JRD study - Univ. of GA	\$300
Judges' selection	\$150	assumes 100 members hard copy			TOTAL	\$1,050
Secretary	\$100				AKC Entries/annual dues	\$35
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Special Projects	\$150				Web Site hosting	\$120
Publications	\$100				Web site development/maintenance	\$2,000
DVD Mailings	\$0				Trophies/ribbons	\$4,500 increase due to Roving performance events
Trophy	\$150				Bank fees	\$50
all other postage	100				Awards - President's/ life time members	\$150
TOTAL Postage and Shipping	\$1,970				awards - Local newsletter/website awards	\$100
					All Other/Miscellaneous Expenses	\$200
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					NET PROFIT/(LOSS)	\$0

Making it Easier for Older Dogs to Get Around

There are ways you can make life easier and more comfortable for older dogs that have arthritic joints, hip problems, or other complications that make it difficult to get from here to there.

Around the house

Older dogs sometimes have a difficult time getting good traction on linoleum, tile, or hardwood floors. You can help alleviate this problem by putting carpeting or rubber mats in the areas where your dog spends the most time. If this isn't possible, you can also get special booties with rubber soles that you can have your dog wear around the house.

If your house has a lot of stairs, consider building an easy-to-climb ramp for your dog. You can either make it yourself using plywood covered with carpet, or you can purchase a pre-made ramp from specialty pet stores.

To help your dog get up on a bed or onto a favorite chair, try using a carpeted step. You can also buy pre-made steps just for senior dogs.

Outdoor mobility aids

If you're taking your dog out for a walk, there are special leashes you can buy that are made especially for dogs with hip problems. What makes them unique is that, instead of securing the leash to a collar around the neck, they use a harness that lifts up the dog's rear end when needed, such as when you want to help your dog climb stairs or go up a hill. Using a harness for his front end, instead of a neck lead, is also helpful.

Is going for a walk too difficult for your dog? If so, you can order a special cart just for dogs with mobility problems. Or you can simply use a child's wagon. Be sure to cushion it with padding so it's more comfortable for your senior dog as you pull him around the neighborhood.

Caring for an injured dog

In an ideal universe, we would never have to deal with emergencies. Unfortunately, dogs can find themselves in the wrong place at the wrong time, and accidents do happen. In the event of an accident, by properly evaluating the situation and responding calmly and quickly, you can make your dog more comfortable and may even speed his recovery.

Making a Gentle Restraint

If your dog is injured, you will need to bring him to the vet as quickly as possible. If he's conscious, it's very important that you first muzzle him. No matter how gentle your dog normally is, he will be in pain and frightened- and fear can cause even the mildest mannered dog to become a biter. [An important exception: do not muzzle your dog if he is vomiting or having difficulty breathing].

To make a makeshift muzzle, all you need is pantyhose, a necktie or gauze (about 12-24 inches in length). If you're outside, you can even use his leash. With one of these items, tie a loose knot in the middle leaving a large loop. Calmly approach your dog from behind and gently slip the loop over his snout. Then pull it taut - it should snug, but not cut into his skin. Knot the ends under his chin, then bring the ends around his neck and tie them behind his ears. As soon as your dog has been muzzled, examine his injuries and determine the best way to transport him.

Transporting him safely.

Like humans, dogs should be moved as little as possible when they are injured. If your dog has been hit by a car, fallen or had any injury that may have caused spinal damage, special care must be taken when you transport him. Do not carry him in your arms. Instead, get a piece of plywood, an ironing board, thick cardboard or a sturdy blanket. Then, lifting your dog as little as possible, gently slide the supporting material beneath him. If you are using a blanket, find a second person to carry it with you so you pull it tight, like a stretcher. Does your dog have any broken bones? If so, do not try to straighten the bone, instead create a splint to keep the broken bone in position. If you have placed your dog on a piece of plywood or cardboard, gently tape the injured leg - and the rest of his body - to the board. A splint can also be created with a ruler or a magazine or newspaper

that's been rolled around the limb and taped securely in place. Move him only after you have immobilized his injured limbs.

Treating different injuries

After your dog has been moved to a safe place, there are simple ways you make him more comfortable and give him a better chance of recovery.

If your dog is bleeding, apply pressure to the cuts with a pressure bandage. Sanitary napkins work well for this purpose, but you can also use towels, shirts or blankets.

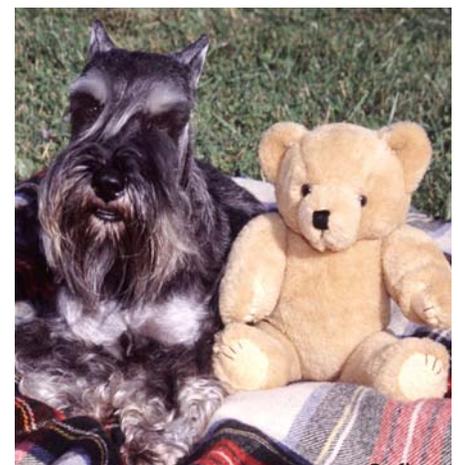
If your dog has ingested a poison, be sure to take the poisonous substance with you. This will help your vet determine the best treatment plan.

For heat burns, quickly put the burn under ice or cold running water. The easiest way to cool a burn is with the garden hose. Just keep the faucet pressure low. If your dog has a chemical burn, flush the affected area with water. Then take your dog to the vet immediately.

Like humans, dogs can go into shock after a serious accident. So be sure to cover him up and keep him warm.

Before you head to the veterinary hospital, have someone call the hospital to let the staff know that are on your way with an emergency. This will give them time prepare for your arrival.

Remember, your dog might seem fine after an accident, but may be bleeding internally. After any accident you should bring your dog to the vet immediately.





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Sweeps: Richard Isley
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Regular Classes: David Alexander
Sweepstakes: Ken Allen

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Sweeps: Manuel Itriago

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Sweeps: Kim Cox Griffin

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The room rates are as follows:

Standard Guest Room: \$129.00 Single/
Double Occupancy

Suite: \$139.00 Single/Double Occupancy

A \$30 pet free will apply and No pets are allowed on the first floor.

The rooms will be held until January 28th, 2014. At that time rooms not spoken for will be released for general sale.

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