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Judge: Michael Obradovich

BISweeps...Tomar's Captain Kirk/

Paisley

BOS Sweeps...Rampages Heart of

Fire/White/Ramel

Regular Classes

Judge: Connie Clark

WD/BOW...Tomar's Captain Kirk/

Paisley

RWD...WardsCreek's Rogue Knight

on the Moon @ Myla/Sicurella

WB/BOS...Rampages Heart of Fire/

White/Ramel

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Roadside emergency kit: What to carry with you

A few basic items can help you get back on the road quicker

A roadside emergency can happen at any time, whether your car is new or old. A range of problems can cause it, from a tire failure or mechanical breakdown to running out of fuel. At best, it's an annoyance; at worst, it can compromise your safety. Being prepared with a basic emergency kit can increase your safety, reduce stress, and help you get back on the road faster.

Even if you have roadside-assistance coverage or an automobile-club membership with roadside assistance, you usually need access to a phone in order to contact them and you may have to wait on the side of the road for an hour or more before help arrives. That's why we recommend that drivers carry certain items in their vehicle, even if it only gets used for everyday, around-town driving. This basic kit can be supplemented with additional items if you go on a long-distance trip or have to deal with winter weather conditions.

It's also important to make periodic checks on the equipment to ensure it's in working order—that the spare tire is properly inflated, batteries are not discharged, first-aid supplies are current, water is fresh, and food is dry. In addition, be familiar with how each tool works, from the cellular phone to the jack, before you need to use it in an emergency.

Basic kit

This kit is intended to aid you in getting help, signaling your car's presence to other motorists, and tackling simple challenges.

Cellular phone

We don't recommend that you talk on a cell phone while driving, but in an emergency, this can be the single most valuable component of your kit. Keep a car charger handy. This device plugs into the cigarette lighter or other power point in the car and charges the battery of your cell phone. When traveling, it's best to leave your cell phone on. Emergency tip: If you have to dial 911, remember that your location and phone number aren't always available to an emergency operator when calling from a cell phone. So give the operator your number and any information you have about your location. Ignore any "no service" messages on the phone and try the call anyway. If you have trouble connecting to 911 from inside a car, get out if possible and call from the side of the road. That may help you get a better signal.

First-aid kit

Choose one that allows you to treat a range of problems, from small cuts or burns to ones that require major bandaging. We also suggest you get familiar with how to use the kit before you need to.

Fire extinguisher

A car fire can start from something as simple as a wiring short circuit or leaking oil. You should get away from a vehicle that's on fire as quickly as possible. Still, for extra security it's good to keep a fire extinguisher in the car that can be used in any emergency or to quickly dose a small flame that's just begun. The quicker a fire can be put out, the less damage it will cause. Multipurpose dry-chemical fire extinguishers are available in a variety of sizes. We recommend carrying a compact unit that's labeled 1A10BC or 2A10BC.

Warning light, hazard triangle, or flares

If your vehicle is stuck on the side of the road, it's vital that you give other motorists as much warning of its presence as possible, especially at night. Look for a battery-powered warning light that can be placed far from the vehicle. Reflective hazard triangles and flares are also effective and don't need batteries.

Jumper cables or a portable battery booster

Jumper cables are easy to use as long as you have a second car available to provide a jump. Refer to your owner's manual for instructions. A portable battery booster eliminates the need for a second car.

Flashlight

This can be critical at night. Choose one that is bright and weatherproof. In addition, a flashlight with a magnet, flexible mounting system, or a stand will free up your hands for other tasks. Also, have extra batteries and a bulb available.

Gloves, hand cleaner, and clean rags

Even the simplest jobs can get your hands dirty. Having these on hand will help keep that dirt from getting on your clothes or your

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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The deadline for the October issue is September 18.

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vehicle's interior.

\$20 in small bills and change

Keep this available for miscellaneous use. And resist dipping into it for a spontaneous ice cream cone on a hot day.

Pen and pad of paper

This can come in handy for a range of uses, from leaving a note on the windshield should you have to leave your car to jotting down information after an accident.

Additional items for distance driving

For long trips, especially those through remote areas, add these items to your basic emergency kit.

Extra clothes and small tarpaulin

Even if all you do is change a tire, these items can help keep your regular clothes clean.

Water and nonperishable emergency food

Bring enough food and water to sustain you and any passengers for at least a meal, longer for remote areas or in extreme hot/cold regions. Be sure to have some extra food and water for the dogs.

GPS navigation system

This is an optional item, but good to have when traveling to new places.

Additional items for winter driving Windshield scraper

Good visibility is your most important safety item, but persistent snow and ice can build up quickly and make it hard to see. A long-handled, soft-bristled brush can also come in handy.

Blanket and winter hat

If you run out of fuel or if your battery dies, the vehicle won't be able to provide heat. A blanket and hat can help keep you warm if you have to wait for a long time in cold conditions.

Chemical hand warmers

These small, inexpensive packets are available at ski shops and sporting-goods stores.

Small folding shovel

If you get stuck in snow, this can be a vital tool. A folding camping-style shovel will require more digging effort than a longer-handled shovel, but is more convenient to store in the vehicle.

Bag of cat litter

This can help provide some traction on an especially slick road surface.



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Cleft Lip and/or Palate in Dogs

The Bannasch laboratory in the School of Veterinary Medicine at the University of California, Davis is conducting a study to identify the genes responsible for cleft lip and/or cleft palate in dogs. These are common birth defects characterized by the failure of the lip and/or mouth to fuse during development. Individuals born with these conditions can have difficulty nursing, and as a result, cannot obtain enough nourishment on their own or can develop pneumonia. As a result, puppies are often euthanized following the discovery of cleft lip and/or palate due to their special needs and the high costs of caring for them. In order to identify the genes involved and **to prevent these defects in future generations, our laboratory is in need of DNA samples from**

- **Cleft lip and/or palate affected dogs or puppies**
- **Parents and littermates of cleft lip and/or palate affected dogs**

For more information, sample collection, and shipping instructions please contact Zena Wolf at ztwolf@ucdavis.edu. Follow us on our facebook page at: <https://www.facebook.com/CleftInDogs>



Please help us in preventing these birth defects!

from AKC family dog...

This Just In: Dogs Love CAT

"See Spot run," Jane said. "Run, run, run." Today's experts have cast doubt on the educational value of those "Dick and Jane" readers of the Baby Boomers' youth. But give good old Dick and Jane credit for one thing: Their dog got plenty of exercise. Spot loved to run, and Dick and Jane loved to see Spot run-run, run, run.

When it comes to galloping in wide-open spaces, your dog probably lives for those moments when he can unleash his inner Spot.

In recognition of the canine need for speed, last year the AKC launched the Coursing Ability Test (CAT), a titling event for all dogs.

CAT is based on the sport of lure coursing, in which sighthound breeds test their instinct

for high-speed pursuit by chasing a plastic lure over a course of straight-aways and turns. But unlike the breed-specific world of lure coursing, CAT is open to every breed and mixed-breeds.

The democratic nature of the event gives it a particular charm. As the photos on these pages suggest, a galumphing Newfie or a prancing Pomeranian competing in a realm usually reserved for leggy, aristocratic coursing hounds is a sight not soon forgotten.

It is hardly surprising that rangy dogs like Dobermans and Boxers excel on the CAT course, but high achievers come in all shapes: short-legged but determined Dachshunds, Bulldogs, and terriers all earned CAT titles last year.

More than ever before, dog owners are looking for fun activities they can share with their dog. If you're one of them, find an AKC club offering CAT events in your area. It will get you out in the fresh air and sunshine with likeminded dog lovers. It will give you a goal-an AKC title-to work toward. And most important, it will provide Spot a safe and structured way to indulge his ancient instinct to run, run, run.

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To get started in CAT, visit akc.org and ~ search "Coursing Ability Test." ~

Go, CAT, go!

CAT is a pass/fail event. Three passes earn the Coursing Ability (CA) title; 10 passes, Coursing Ability Advanced (CAA); 25 passes, Coursing Ability Excellent (CAX); and 50 passes, CAX2. A higher-numbered title is awarded for every additional 25 passes.

Portland MSC Specialty is on Wednesday January 16, 2013. It will be held at the Portland Expo Center, 2060 N. Marine Drive Portland, Oregon 97217 and is part of a 5 day show cluster. Judges: Kathi Brown is the regular classes judge and Carla Nickerson is our sweeps judge.

Come and start the new year off with a wonderful specialty show in Portland, The shows are said to be one of the best for Miniature Schnauzer lovers.

Central Florida MSC Specialty is on December 14, 2012; Judge is Mr. Roger Hartinger. There are lots of good trophies. This is in conjunction with the Eukenuba shows in Orlando Dec12-16 at the Orange County Convention Center, Orlando, FL. This year eukenuba is allowing class dogs to be entered at the previously "champions invitational only"...

Garden State All Terrier is sponsoring Rally - Oct 3 - Rally Judge - Phyllis Broderick

Obedience Match Oct 3 - follows end of Rally

Obedience Thur Oct 4 - Phyllis Broderick & Frank Washabaugh...overdraw judge is Ores Cheever

Contact person is Carol Wert - carolwert@prodigy.net

A THOUGHTFUL, CARING GIFT

Red Cross Deluxe Auto Safety Kits include an easy-start battery charger, reflective safety triangle, multi-tool emergency hammer, Red Cross Auto Safety Video and other roadside emergency-related items. The auto safety kits and accessories are available at Red Cross sites and select Walmarts and Valu stores across the country and retail for \$27.96.



What I Learned at the Dog Show

Note: HumaneWatch's editor recently traveled down to the Palmetto State in order to attend his first dog show. Here's his report:

I spent this weekend at the Myrtle Beach Kennel Club's all-breed dog show in Florence, South Carolina. The club invited me down to talk about the threats its members are facing from the Humane Society of the United States and the rest of the animal rights movement. Since I had never been to a dog show, I said yes. (I grew up thinking that "fancy" was an adjective. Silly me.)

I'm not a big fan of people who pooh-pooh things they've never tried or seen up-close. If one of my children says she "doesn't like" something on the dinner table before taking even a tiny bite—well, let's just say that doesn't wash in my house.

And I've always thought the whole "dog show" community was rather mysterious, a kind of benevolent secret society with its own rules, customs, and vocabulary. Sorta like Deadheads, but with a lot better grooming and a lot *less* fleas.

Truth be told, the dog breeders I met this weekend do have their own peculiar ways of saying and doing things. But they're really just ordinary people with a shared hobby. They're *really* into what they do. And they taught me a lot in just a Saturday. Here's some of what I learned.

When you go to a dog show, bring your own chair. But don't be surprised if someone offers to lend you theirs. (I'm typing this in someone else's customized, embroidered lawn chair.)

Dog shows are competitive, but the people involved are remarkably supportive of their human opponents. I heard a steady stream of "congratulations!" offered to blue-ribbon holders from handlers who were trotting away empty-handed.

If you're a first-timer who asks "what kind of dog is that?" too loudly, somebody might look at you funny.

These people treat their dogs like royalty. It was 90 degrees in the shade on Saturday, and the dogs had shade, electric fans, and cold water—even if their owners didn't.

Judging from this weekend, the typical show-dog handler isn't a stuffy Brit wearing Saville Row tweed. She—yes, *she*—is an energetic 40-year-old married mom whose husband packs up the kids and brings them along on the trip.

Sometimes the *kids* strut the dogs around the ring. The under-18 handlers even have their own judging category in which *their* skills are being judged, not the qualities of their dogs.

The name of the game is "conformation" (not "confirmation," as I used to think). Dog show breeders are trying to breed animals that "conform" to a set ideal of how a breed can look, "gait," and behave if they do everything right. (I read an article in *Wired* this week about how Cheetos in the factory are checked every 30 minutes against a "reference sample" from Frito-Lay headquarters, just to make sure the ideal color, texture, and crispiness is being matched. It's kinda like that, but it takes years for these folks to make a single Cheeto. And Cheetos don't pee on you.) Watch where you step in the parking lot.

If this particular dog show is any indication of what's typical, the "dog fancy" is a lot of fun for a lot of people who contribute a lot of money to the economy—and aren't hurting anyone. "If we're not having fun here," one judge told me, very much off-the-cuff, "we shouldn't be doing this."

For the life of me, I can't figure out why the Humane Society of the United States has such a visceral hatred of everything they stand for.

I think what's going on is that HSUS, PETA, and other animal rights groups are conflating breeders whose main goal is to *sell* puppies with those who just happen to really love Pomeranians, Pinschers, or Poodles. This latter clique of people (far larger than the former) shows their favorite animals because they're proud of them, not because they believe it will make their next litter worth more money.

It's not hard to understand HSUS's stated motivation for attacking people who breed dogs. The group wants everyone to believe that rampant pet overpopulation in America is all their fault. But personally, I just don't see it.

I didn't meet "puppy millers" this weekend. I met hobbyists, just like if I were at a model railroad convention, an antique fair, or a swim meet. They ask after each others' kids. They visit each other in the hospital. They have knitting circles where the dogs watch approvingly. They're 50 percent garden club, 50 percent church pot-luck. Zero percent animal abusers.

I asked one breeder how much money she had spent raising her champion dog, a mammoth Anatolian shepherd. "Who knows?" she answered. "I never really added it up. If you're pinching pennies you probably aren't treating the dog right." In addition to the two purebred dogs she was showing, she had "two rescue mutts that

home, and they have the same food, supplements, and everything else my show dogs get."

And when I asked one of the veteran breeders how many of her peers raise dogs so they can sell the litters commercially, she looked at me like I was from Mars. "We all sell dogs, son," she told me. "But none of us make a cent doing it. And I know where all my dogs live. If anyone can't provide for them, we take 'em back." And then, almost as an afterthought: "I sure don't want any of mine going to the pound or a rescue."

Everyone I asked about this had the same kind of answer. If they found out that any of *their* puppies wound up in a shelter, they'd sure do something about it.

So why all the hostility from the Humane Society of the United States? Why did I hear from North and South Carolinians who had beaten back attempt after attempt from HSUS to have them taxed, registered, regulated, raided, and otherwise priced out of their hobby? What is it about these men, women, and children, so passionate about running up and down a concrete floor with their pets, that demands intervention from activists who think they know better?

Maybe it's that HSUS thinks the only way to shut down "puppy mills" is to paint every dog breeder with the same broad brush. Maybe. I haven't yet really wrapped my mind around *why* HSUS is opposed to everything I saw this weekend. I just know that it is.

As with pretty much every group of ranchers, dairymen, biomedical research scientists, and chicken farmers I've met, the breeders I spoke with this weekend had varying levels of awareness about the looming political threat from HSUS. Some of them can't be bothered to be bothered. Others are fired up at the mere mention of Wayne Pacelle's name.

"Somebody has to take that guy on," one 50-ish man barked when I brought up the name of HSUS's CEO. "That whole movement is nuts. After I showed up to lobby against HSUS's last North Carolina breeder tax, I started getting calls in the middle of the night, untraceable phone calls, from these people saying they were going to come on my property, take my dogs, and burn my house down. I told 'em my new rifle has an awesome night scope. That pretty much ended it."

I spoke to the crowd after the Best In Show was awarded, in this case to a fluffy pekingese named "Noelle." I told them that

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their problem is the same as the one faced by pork producers, egg farmers, dairymen, and even cancer researchers. But it was up to them to reach beyond their circle of friends—outside their comfort zone—if their kids and grandkids were going to keep being Junior Handlers and continue to raise the dog breeds they've come to love.

At the end of the day, I have to be skeptical of HSUS's blanket condemnation of pet breeders. I'm confident that there are some horrible ones out there, as there are with any group of people (including animal activists...), but any legislative or cultural movement that lumps the people I met this weekend in with the bad actors is just plain wrong-headed.

Because the dogs I met in South Carolina were among the best-cared-for animals I've ever seen. Anyone who's truly interested in animal welfare would want to make sure more dogs—not fewer—are treated this way. So how 'bout it, Wayne? Why aren't you promoting dog shows?

Probably because you've never been to one.



*It came to me
that every time I lose a dog,
they take a piece of my
heart with them.
And every new dog that
comes into my life gifts me
with a piece of their heart.
If I live long enough all the
components of my heart
will be dog,
and I will become as gener-
ous and loving as they are.*

ANONYMOUS

Cancer and Your Pet: Two Things to Avoid

I recently ran across an article about the link between nutrition and cancer in dogs and cats. According to PetfoodIndustry.com:

"Despite significant advancements in companion animal cancer treatment over the last decade, the relationships between nutrition and veterinary cancer control and prevention remain in their infancy. Developing dietary strategies for reducing companion animal cancer incidence and mortality—overall and for specific cancers—will be an exciting and challenging endeavor that will take extensive research coordination using evidence-based designs."

Since this article — though written by a professor at the Animal Cancer Center at Colorado State University — was published in a trade journal for the pet food industry, I think we can assume there will be pet food companies heavily involved in *developing dietary strategies* to address the growing problem of cancer in pets.

And I doubt very seriously those pet food manufacturers will develop strategies that encourage pet owners to feed real, whole, fresh food and not the processed stuff they sell.

Expect to see "cancer prevention" processed pet diets coming soon to a store and/or veterinary office near you. It's just a matter of time.

Obesity Increases Cancer Risk

The PetfoodIndustry.com article also points out that, "Caloric restriction has demonstrated the most consistent delay in the progression and prevention of tumor development across species."

Fewer calories, it has been shown, cause the cells of the body to block tumor growth.

Too many calories, on the other hand, lead to obesity — and obesity is strongly linked to increased cancer risk in humans. There is a connection between too much glucose, increased insulin sensitivity, inflammation and oxidative stress — all factors in obesity — and cancer. And while there's been no direct link made yet to obesity and cancer in dogs and cats, it is assumed a link exists.

So in addition to the clearly established connections between obesity and other health problems like diabetes, arthritis, high blood pressure, kidney disease, reduced quality of life and shortened lifespan, there is also increased risk that an overweight pet will develop cancer.

And what is the biggest health problem for

pets today? Overweight and obesity. Certainly the increase in cancer rates among dogs and cats is in part attributable to the obesity epidemic.

Overfeeding your pet is not a loving thing to do. Food is no substitute for quality time spent with your dog or cat. And keep in mind that fat doesn't just sit on your pet's body harmlessly. It produces inflammation that can promote tumor development.

In order to be the best guardian you can be for your pet, you must insure she stays at a healthy weight. Parents of too-heavy and obese pets need to understand the tremendous harm they are doing to their companion animal's health and quality of life ... before it's too late.

Inflammation Leads to Cancer

Anything that creates or promotes inflammation in the body increases the risk for serious diseases, including cancer.

Recent research points to cancer as a chronic inflammatory disease. Inflammation kills the cells of the body. It also surrounds cells with toxic inflammatory by-products that inhibit the flow of oxygen, nutrients and waste products between cells and blood. This creates an environment in which abnormal cells proliferate.

Preventing inflammation is crucial to the prevention of cancer.

One major contributor to inflammatory conditions is a diet too high in omega-6 fatty acids and too low in omega-3s. Omega-6s increase inflammation, cell proliferation and blood clotting, while the omega-3s do the reverse.

Unfortunately, the typical processed western diet — for both humans and their pets — is loaded down with omega-6 fatty acids and deficient in omega-3s.

Nutrition for Cancer Prevention

The best diet for cancer prevention is a diet that provides the nutritional components required to maintain healthy cells and repair unhealthy ones.

Cancer cells need the glucose in carbohydrates to grow and proliferate. If you limit or eliminate that energy source, you do the same with the cancer's growth. That's one of the reasons I always discourage feeding diets high in

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GET READY FOR..... MONTGOMERY COUNTY

It's time to begin making your travel plans for Montgomery County 2012!

There are a few changes that Sharon Edwards and I would like to share with you (I'm the "used car salesman" and she's the "closer"):

Due to a change in management, the Doubletree Hotel & Suites in Plymouth Meeting will no longer be a dog friendly establishment. We were one of the first clubs to hear about this (thank you, Brian Bogart) and so began the (frantic) scramble to find another host hotel that would meet the needs of the AMSC.

We have contracted with the Homewood Suites by Hilton @ Philadelphia-Valley Forge as our host hotel in 2012. This award winning spacious all suites hotel is located near historic Valley Forge National Park, Valley Forge Convention Center, and the King of Prussia Mall. They offer a complimentary hot "Suite Start breakfast" daily, and a complimentary "Welcome Home Reception" which includes a light meal and beverage Monday through Thursday evenings. You will also enjoy complimentary high speed internet access in your room and in

all public areas of our hotel.

The studio suites (\$119 per night) are one large open room and the one bedroom suites (\$129 per night) have a wall between the living room and the bedroom. We have an equal number of king/two queen beds being offered to us in the one bedroom suites (first come-first served). All suites have living rooms (with sofa beds) and full kitchens.

This is a dog friendly hotel. Should you choose to keep your dog in your room, a \$75 non-refundable pet fee is required. There is plenty of outside area for the exercising of your dogs. PLEASE be respectful of the hotel property and pick up after your dogs! Enough said. (We are the only dog club staying at this hotel ... and we want to be asked back next year!)

You are encouraged to begin making your reservations now – please reference the code AMS in making your reservation:

www.homewoodsuitesvalleyforge.com

If you have any questions, please feel

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carbohydrates. Carbs are pro-inflammatory nutrients that also feed cancer cells.

Carbs you want to keep out of your pet's diet include processed grains, fruits with fructose, and starchy veggies like potatoes. All dry pet food contains some form of starch (it's not possible to create kibble without it), which is one of the reasons I'm not a fan of dry pet food.

Cancer cells generally can't use dietary fats for energy, so appropriate amounts of good quality fats are nutritionally healthy for dogs and cats.

A healthy, species-appropriate diet for dogs and cats – one that is anti-inflammatory and anti-cancer consists of real, whole foods, preferably served raw. It looks something like this:

High in high-quality protein, including muscle meat, organs and bone (protein should make up 75 percent of a healthy dog's diet, and 88 percent of a cat's diet) A few beneficial additions like probiotics, digestive enzymes and super green foods

Moderate levels of animal fat
A vitamin/mineral supplement

High levels of EPA and DHA (omega-3 fatty acids) High moisture content

A few fresh cut veggies and a bit of fruit, pureed
No grains; no starches

Immune System Support for Cancer

Prevention

The health of your pet's immune system is vital to her ability to defend against disease. Balanced, species-appropriate nutrition is the foundation for a healthy immune system. You can also help keep your dog's or cat's immune system balanced and resilient by:

- Insuring regular and adequate exercise
- Brushing your pet's teeth every day or several times a week
- Eliminating exposure to chemical toxins, including tobacco smoke
- Reducing the number of unnecessary vaccines
- Taking a proactive approach to your pet's health with regular at-home wellness exams and twice yearly wellness visits to your vet to insure your dog's or cat's organs are functioning well and he's not harboring any silent infections or other illness

Bell Seminar

In order to better plan the **Bell Seminar** which is slated to be held at around 630pm for approximately 3 hours on **Thursday night of Montgomery County weekend**, I would like to get a headcount of how many of you are planning to attend – AMSC Members will bear NO COST – (but I will have a bucket at the door-just in case someone feels so inclined) The plan is to have hors D'oeuvres/heavy finger food. The event will be video taped so that DVDs can be made for those who cannot attend. The Meeting room can accommodate 60 people (stadium seating) and will be located in the Host hotel

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If you plan to attend –would you please **indicate your intent and number of people in your party** and forward to AMSCHEALTHGROUP@yahoo.com — be sure to **indicate subject: "BELL SEMINAR"** so this won't get buried in the myriads of Pedigree Analyses that also use that email. Before we extend an invitation to any of the other Terrier Clubs, I want to be absolutely sure we can accommodate our own members! This is going to be an informative and remarkable event!

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AMSC FUTURITY 2013!!

We are officially announcing another exciting opportunity for AMSC members.

A futurity stakes competition will be held at the roving national specialty during the week long activities at Purina Farms in St. Louis Missouri in 2013!

Litter nominations have opened and can be received now. Futurity rules and both litter and individual nomination forms can be viewed and down loaded from the AMSC yahoo groups files or the AMSC website.

Any questions regarding the futurity can be directed to me Beth Santure, Futurity Chair. at: bjasanture@peoplepc.com

The larger the participation, the larger the stakes prizes to be won and the more exciting the competition will be.

Please support our clubs first ever National Futurity by nominating that special litter which is in whelp now or planned to whelp between now and November 9, 2012.

FLEECE VESTS

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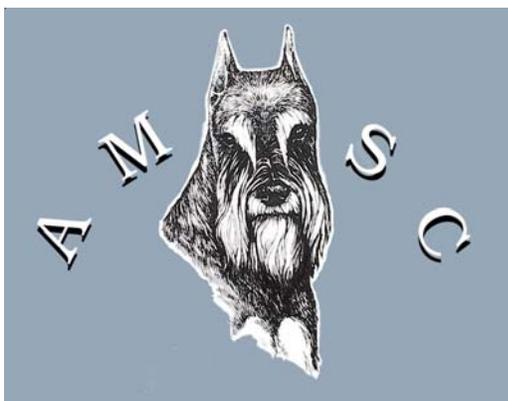
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Sweepstakes: Carla Nickerson

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