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5 Types of Dog Eye Discharge (and What They Mean)

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Eye discharge is a common problem in dogs. Some types are completely normal, while others are associated with potentially serious health concerns.

In order to determine when you need to take your dog to the vet, you'll need to understand the various types of dog eye discharge and what each may mean.

5 Common Types of Eye Discharge in Dogs
Let's take a look at five common types of dog eye discharge and what you should do about them.

1. A Little Goop or Crust

Tears play an essential role in maintaining eye health. They provide oxygen and nourishment to the cornea (the clear layer of tissue at the front of the eye) and help remove debris from the eye's surface.

Tears normally drain through ducts located at the inner corner of each eye, but sometimes a little bit of goop or crust will accumulate there. This material is made out of dried tears, oil, mucus, dead cells, dust, etc., and is typically clear or a slightly reddish-brown color.

It's most evident in the morning and is often perfectly normal. The amount of eye goop a dog produces each night (or after long naps) should stay relatively constant. The goop or crust should be easy to remove with a warm, damp cloth. The eyes shouldn't be red, and your dog should not exhibit any signs of eye discomfort (rubbing, squinting, blinking, and/or sensitivity to light).

If at any point you notice an increase in your dog's eye goop or other worrisome symptoms, make an appointment with your veterinarian.

2. Watery Eyes

Excessive eye watering (epiphora) is associated with many different conditions that run the range from relatively benign to serious. Here are a few common causes of watery eyes in dogs:

- Allergies
- Irritants
- Foreign material in the eye
- Anatomical abnormalities (e.g., prominent eyes or rolled-in eyelids),
- Blocked tear ducts
- Corneal wounds
- Glaucoma (increased eye pressure)

If your dog has a relatively mild increase in tearing, but his eyes look normal in all other respects—and he doesn't seem to be in any discomfort—it's reasonable to monitor the situation for a day or two.

Your dog may have simply received a face full of pollen or dust, and the increased tearing is working to solve the problem. But if his eyes continue to be watery or your dog develops red, painful eyes or other types of eye discharge, make an appointment with your veterinarian.

3. Reddish-Brown Tear Stains

Light-colored dogs often develop a reddish-brown discoloration to the fur near the inner corner of their eyes. This occurs because tears contain a pigment called porphyrin that turns reddish-brown with prolonged exposure to air.

In the absence of other problems, tear staining in this area is normal and is just a cosmetic concern. If you want to minimize your dog's tear stains, try one or more of these solutions:

Wipe the area a few times a day with a cloth dampened with warm water or an eye-cleaning solution that's made specifically for dogs

Keep the fur around your dog's eyes trimmed short

Try giving your dog an antibiotic-free nutritional supplement that reduces tear staining

Keep in mind that it can take several months for porphyrin-stained fur to grow out and for the effects of any of these remedies to become obvious.

Make an appointment with your veterinarian for an eye examination if you notice any of the following:

An increase in the amount of tear staining
A change in the appearance of your dog's tear staining

Your dog's eyes become red and painful

4. White-Gray Mucus

Dry eye (keratoconjunctivitis sicca or KCS) is a condition that usually develops when a dog's immune system attacks and destroys the glands that produce tears.

With fewer tears, the body tries to compensate by making more mucus to lubricate the eyes. But mucus can't replace all the functions of tears, so the eyes become red and painful and may develop ulcers and abnormal corneal pigmentation.

Left untreated, KCS can result in severe discomfort and blindness.

If you notice white-gray mucus collecting around your dog's eyes, make an appointment with your veterinarian. They can perform a simple procedure called a "Schirmer Tear Test" to differentiate KCS from other diseases that are associated with increased eye mucus production.

Most dogs respond well to treatment for KCS, which may involve cyclosporine, tacrolimus, artificial tears, and/or other medications.

Surgery can also be considered but should be reserved for those cases when medical treatment is unsuccessful.

5. Yellow or Green Eye Discharge

A dog whose eyes produce yellow or green discharge often has an eye infection, particularly if eye redness and discomfort are also evident.

Eye infections can develop as a primary problem or as a result of another condition (wounds, dry eye, etc.) that weakens the eye's natural defenses against infection.

Sometimes what looks to be an eye infection is actually a sign that a dog has a systemic illness or a problem affecting the respiratory tract, nervous system, or other part of the body.

Any dog who looks like he might have an eye infection should be seen by a veterinarian as quickly as possible.

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NEW APPLICANTS

Patricia A Case-Standing

P.O. Box 522
Saint James City, FL 33956
Patricia would like to become a member because she has owned three Miniature Schnauzers, one was a rescue and another is a champion AKC black from breeder Marie Pletsch. She has read and agrees to abide by the AMSC Code of Ethics and the Breed Standard. She is not a breeder, but is involved in Conformation. Patricia attends between five and ten events per year. She does not belong to any other dog clubs at this time, but has helped at the AKC booth in Orlando International dog show in 2019.

Sponsors: Marie Pletsch, Carol Ann Meitzler

Susan Coulter

263 Northland Dr.
Central Square, NY 13036
Susan would like to become a member of AMSC to support the club and associate with other Schnauzer owners and to also support preservation of the breed. She has read and agrees to abide by the Code of Ethics and the Breed Standard. She has co-owned several Champions and has been breeding and showing for ten years. Susan has also been involved in therapy for nine years. She attends about 10 events per year but her dogs are exhibited throughout the country most every weekend.

Sponsors: Carma Ewer and Silvia Soos-Kazel

Sandra Peveto

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Silver Springs, MD 20904
301-237-5480
Sandy is a Respiratory Therapist and would like to join AMSC because she loves the breed, showing, grooming and breeding. She has read and agrees to abide by the Code of Ethics and Breed Standard. She has produced one litter in the past five years. Her involvement with her dogs includes Conformation, Obedience and limited breeding. Sandy attends approximately 15-20 shows per year. She is currently a member of Giant Schnauzer Club of America and has been involved with Giants for 22 years. She resides in Maryland with five Giant Schnauzers and five Minis. Her special skill is organization.

Sponsors: Tatiana Myers, Andy Deer

James Campbell, Kathy Tam

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Orlando, Florida
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James and Kathy would like to become members to support the ongoing lines and behaviors of the Miniature Schnauzer. They own two Minis, Bandsman and Saxony. They are not breeders but are involved in Conformation and CGC by attending a few shows per year. James is learning to show his own dog. Both of their Schnauzers are trained not to bark but to talk. Special skills include photography, marketing, and IT design.
They are sponsored by: Carol Weinberger
Jacquelyn Ebersbach

The Surprising Limits of the Human-Dog Bond

Analysis by [Dr. Karen Shaw Becker](#)

The human-dog bond is undeniably strong, but researchers are still trying to pin down the ins and outs of a typical relationship between a guardian and their dog. It's known that dogs can show helpful or prosocial behaviors that benefit others when it comes to helping other dogs. They've been found, for instance, to pull a tray of food toward a familiar canine friend or choose a token that would reward a familiar dog in an adjacent enclosure.¹

These prosocial behaviors are prerequisites for reciprocity and cooperative behavior. Dogs have even been found to be helpful to animals of other species, but when it comes to humans, researchers from the University of Veterinary Medicine in Vienna, Austria, found that dogs aren't always altruistic.²

Dogs Didn't Reciprocate Food-Giving to Humans

In order to investigate whether dogs reciprocate the receipt of food from humans, researchers trained 37 pet dogs to dispense food by pushing a button. The dogs were then paired with two humans they did not know. One of them helped the dog by dispensing food into the dog's enclosure, while the other person was unhelpful and did not dispense food for the dog.

The set-up was then reversed, giving the dog a chance to dispense food into the human's enclosures. No difference was found in how often the dogs dispensed food to the helpful or unhelpful human. In a second study, the dogs were able to freely interact with their owner and the human partners they had interacted with for the previous study.

Again, there was no difference in the time the dogs spent with, or the time it took to

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What Do Dogs See When They Watch TV?

Sandra C. Mitchell, DVM, DABVP

Have you ever sat down to watch TV, only to have a little furry head pop up and completely block your vision? Is your dog actually watching TV when they sit in front of the screen and stare at it or bark? What exactly is it that attracts your dog to the TV? Can dogs really see TV the way we do? Are they interested in TV shows made for dogs? Let's find out.

Can Dogs See TV?

Dogs absolutely can see TV, and many seem to enjoy it. There are a number of features about television shows that dogs find attractive. Some of these are visual, such as motion, while others relate to the sounds coming from the TV.

Dog eyes are very different from human eyes, so they see things on TV differently. Their vision isn't as sharp, being closer to 20/75 than 20/20, which may explain why they prefer to sit closer to the TV than we do—it helps keep the images sharp.

They also have different color perception because they have only two types of color-processing cells in their retinas (we have three). They can only see blues, greens, and yellows, so a dog running on grass with a blue sky behind them, playing with a yellow frisbee, may be very interesting, while a dog sitting next to a red and white picnic table with a red toy would be very dull.

Dogs also have more rods in their eyes than people. Rods are the cells that increase night vision. This means that dogs see very well in the dark and are very sensitive to motion.

Dogs will also perceive the image itself differently, especially on older TVs. Humans don't notice any flickering of images if the screen refresh rate is faster than 55 hertz. However, dogs have better motion perception—they will see flickers up to 75 hertz.

So, if we are watching an average TV show at 60 hertz, it will look smooth to

us, but the image will appear to flicker for dogs. Fortunately, newer TVs are refreshed at a higher rate, and laptops and desktops have higher refresh rates, so not only do we enjoy a better picture, but so do our pups!

Do Dogs Know That TV Isn't Real?

It is hard to know what dogs are "thinking" when they watch TV, and some seem to take it much more seriously than others. That being said, it does appear that dogs recognize other animals on TV, will respond to the barking of dogs, and readily distinguish photos of dogs from cartoon dogs.

But dogs also heavily rely on other senses, such as smell—which clearly isn't possible on a televised image. Based on the disconnect with dogs' most important sense (smell), it's likely that dogs do recognize that the image on the screen isn't real, but instead a representation of an animal or figure.

That being said, dogs do often respond to the sounds made by animals on TV, and this clearly communicates information to them, even across species lines. So it might be wise to avoid shows involving distressed animals when your dog is sharing screen time.

Why Do Some Dogs Watch TV and Others Don't?

Just like people, dogs will get varying enjoyment out of the TV. Different breeds (and different individual dogs) have differing sight capacity, so some dogs may be able to see what is happening on TV better than others.

If a dog can easily see and recognize a dog chasing something across a screen, they may be more engaged than a dog that relies more heavily on sense of smell or hearing. And some dogs may be more easily "fooled" by the images on the screen, while others are a little more perceptive in knowing that what they see is not real.

What Kind of TV Shows Do Dogs Like?

In general, dogs will prefer shows that feature animals in motion, and they'd rather see a real animal than a cartoon.

If you'd like to test whether your dog is interested in TV, pick a show with very active animals—especially those your dog is attracted to in real life (such as squirrels, birds, cats, or other dogs). If the colors featured on the screen are shades of blues, yellows, and greens, your dog will be able to see them better.

Then watch your dog's reaction to figure out if they like what they see. Are their eyes following the action? Is their tail happily wagging, or do they seem distressed and growling? Do they seem worried by what they see?

Keep testing shows until you find one that makes your dog happy—and then hope that you don't have to fight them over the remote control!

Should You Leave the TV on for Your Dog?

Dogs watching TV has become a "thing" to the point that there are now channels devoted to dogs and marketing messages that dog TV will calm and relax your dog. Is this true? The jury is out.

More than likely, dogs prefer to watch TV with their owners for companionship. When they're alone, they're more likely to just curl up to sleep or do their own thing.

However, if your dog seems to like watching TV, you aren't likely doing any harm by leaving it on when you go out or as long as TV time doesn't interfere with playtime, outdoor time, or social time together.

Just hearing the sounds of TV (or even a radio) might be stimulating enough to make the time pass more quickly until you come home. Keep it at a low volume and make sure your dog can move away from the TV if they choose to (for example, if they are crate training or confined to a room with the TV on).



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approach, the helpful or the unhelpful human.³ The results appear to show that dogs weren't interested in reciprocating the receipt of food from a human, with the researchers noting, "In our study, pet dogs received food from humans but did not return the favor."⁴

However, there could be explanations why the study didn't show reciprocity in dogs, including "methodological inadequacies." According to the study:⁵

"Although our results suggest that dogs do not reciprocate help received from humans, they also suggest that the dogs did not recognize the cooperative or uncooperative act of the humans during the experience phase.

It is plausible that aspects of the experimental design hindered the emergence of any potential reciprocity. However, it is also possible that dogs are simply not prosocial towards humans in food-giving contexts."

Dogs Rescue Their Owners

The featured study findings are surprising given past research that has shown dogs exhibit [emotional contagion](#), which is regarded as a basic form of empathy. In one example, dogs were more likely to [rescue their owner](#) from a wooden box when they showed signs of stress than when they were calm. About half of the dogs in the study also spontaneously tried to rescue their owners even though they hadn't been trained to do so.

According to the study, which was published in the journal *Animal Cognition*, "Neither was this behavior motivated by obedience nor by the motivation to re-establish social contact with the owner. We conclude that emotional contagion is a plausible mechanism underlying dogs' rescue behavior in the present protocol."⁶

Dogs are also known to give food to dogs that have shared food with them previously,⁷ so it's possible that the featured study didn't ask the right questions, or in the right way.

Study Highlights the Difficulties of Animal-Human Research

Dogs, for instance, rely more on sense of smell than sight, so slight changes in the study design could lead to a different outcome. Speaking with Smithsonian

magazine, Jeffrey Stevens, a psychology researcher at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, explained:⁸

"The key thing is, are we asking the question in the right way that the animals understand? Dogs in particular, they have a completely different world than we do right there ... You want to make sure that you've really tried to set up a situation where the animals have the best opportunity to demonstrate their abilities."

Another possibility is that the dogs may have shown reciprocity if the study used a different scenario, such as helping a person in danger,⁹ or it could be that the

dogs didn't fully understand the experimental setup.

So before assuming that your pup isn't as loyal as you thought, it's worth considering that the experiment may have [set up the dogs to fail](#) for the simple possibility that dogs don't consider themselves to be providers of food for humans.¹⁰ As Gizmodo reported:¹¹

"The authors note that our relationship with dogs tends to go one way when it comes to food; it's not them giving us their dinner scraps. In a different context, like helping people trapped or in danger, a sense of charity among dogs might be there."

FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE: The following information is given to help conduct AMSC business more efficiently. Please remember that the Secretary and the AMSCOPE editor should **BOTH** be notified of address changes, club officers and specialty results.

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American Miniature Schnauzer Club

Board Meeting Minutes...October 8, 2021

The meeting was called to order by President John Constantine-Amodei at 6:48, in Fogelsville, PA. The following members were present: John Constantine-Amodei; Carma Ewer; Shirley Frye; Barbara Donahue; Vicki Kubic; Bonnie Keyes; Mary Paisley; Beth Santure; Shawne Imler; Donna Hill; Cathi Rohrer.

The minutes from the previous two board meetings on June 23, 2021 Board Meeting via Zoom

July 7, 2021 Special Board Meeting via Zoom were approved with a motion from Bonnie Keyes, seconded by Shawne Imler. Approved.

Report of the President – John Constantine-Amodei welcomed the board members.

Report of the Secretary – Carol Hafner

If there will be any changes to local club officers, they should be updated/reported to the AKC and the Secretary, especially any changes in local club representatives to the AMSC.

Correspondence

- Request from Penny Hirstein to resign from the AMSC Board – Beth Santure will replace Penny.
- Member accidentally locked out of Groups.io – problem corrected.
- *Terriergroup* magazine editor request for an article from someone on why the Miniature Schnauzer has remained so popular while most of the terrier breeds have lost ground in popularity and many are in the endangered category – request forwarded.
- Request to pledge for 2021 Parent Club Medallions at the AKC National Championship in December 2021 - No action taken.
- AKC Event Operations Closeout Notice for the American Miniature Schnauzer Club Inc. - being held on 06/19/2021 received – No action taken.
- Complaint received regarding unprofessional, unethical and dishonest breeder practices – referred to Ethics.
- Problem reported with AMSC Store purchases online from purchaser - issue was resolved.
- Complaint received regarding sick pet puppy purchase – referred to Ethics, non-member breeder, no AMSC authority.
- Requested to submit Parent Club Health Statements for akc.org – referred to Health, completed.
- Request for explanation as to why AKC continues to register off colored schnauzers, small and sub-standard schnauzers like “toys” who carry genetic problems – referred to President, completed.
- AKC Canine Health Foundation to order an engraved brick to be displayed at Purina Event Center at Purina Farms in Gray Summit, MO.
- AKC Event Operations request for updated club officer listing – will be submitted after Montgomery.
- Schnauzer breeder/owner/handler interested in starting a club in Alabama, also looking for mentors to sponsor him – working with AKC on club start up, told him to seek out other breeders at the shows he is attending and get to know people.
- Monetary donation from the Portland Miniature Schnauzer Club to the Health Committee to be used at the discretion of the committee – Health Committee responding to club.

Report of the Treasurer – Bonnie Keyes Financial reports will be available at the Board meeting and are posted to Groups.io.

Membership: 2 Life, 381 Voting, 28 Non-Voting, Total 411

Report of the AKC Delegate – Barbara Donahue Our delegate did not attend the in-person delegate committee and AKC quarterly meetings held at the Doubletree in Newark, NJ on Sept 13 /14, 2021. Meeting reports are not yet available. AKC had the option to hold the meetings via Zoom under NY states current emergency status but chose to hold the meetings in person and provided minimum information as to safety precautions.

Committee Reports

AMSC-L Group – Vicki Kubic We stand at 289 members which represents about 71% of our entire membership. Remember to check the files section on the Groups.io website for files. I upload AMSCOPES monthly and there are many other club files stored there.

AMSCope – Carla Borrelli - No report

Awards – Sue Ratz The 2020 AMSC Breeder Awards have been ordered, engraved, and shipped. John Constantine will be making the formal award presentations during the AMSC Annual meeting. Several of the recipients are not planning to attend Montgomery Week; those awards were mailed directly to the recipients saving the AMSC double shipping costs. The list of 2020 AMSC Breeder Award recipients will be published in the AMSCope Magazine. The AMSC will be honoring one of our members with the AKC Good Sportsmanship Award at the Annual meeting.

AMSC Breeder Awards for 2021 are in the following categories: Top Agility Dog, Top Obedience Dog, Top Producing Dam, Top Producing Sire, Top Bitch, Top Dog, AKC Outstanding Sportsmanship Award, President's Award

2020 AMSC VA & VAX Awards

No. 85 – VA - Teresa Janssen & Lager

MACH4 SOUTHCROSS NINETY NINE BOTTLES O'BEER
RN MXB2 PAD MJB2 MFG TQX T2B5 , Bred By: SONNY SHANKS LELLE & RICHARD LELLE

No. 86 - VAX – Lynn Baitinger & Kelsi

MACH8 LONEACRE'S FOUND A PEANUT, BN RE MXC2 MJS3 MJPB PJD
MXP2 MJP2 MFS TQX MFP T2B2 CA SWM SCME SHDN RATCH, Bred By: BETH ANN SANTURE

No. 87 VAX - Linda Walhquist-Soos & Emmy

GCH CH ABACUS PROFIT MARGIN, CD RA OA AXJ AXP MJP OF XFP CGC RATO CZ8B ; Bred By: LINDA WAHLQUIST-SOOS

No. 88 VAX - Kaye Kirk & Reagan

CH PACH ARISTOS' THE GREAT COMMUNICATOR FOR OKAYE CD PCD BN GN RAE2 MX AXJ MXP9 MXP6 MJP10 MJPC PAX2 XF T2BP2 CAA RATN
CGC TKA; Bred by: Deborah Huff & Pattie Henderson & Donna Hills – Co-Owned with Patti Henderson

No. 89 VA – Kaye Kirk & Maggie

CH ARISTOS' IRON LADY AT OKAYE RA OA NAJ NF CA ACT1 RATN'; Bred By & Co-Owned with: PATTI HENDERSON

No. 90 – VA - Amy McGovern & Arwen

ARISTOS' LADY ARWEN RE OJP CA CGC TKA RATO; Bred By: PATTI HENDERSON

No. 91 – VA – Sonja Lund & Scheiss

TOMAR'S LIL' SCHEISTER, PCD BN RA FDC NA NAJ SWN SCA THD RATO CGCA TKA; Bred By: MARY PAISLEY

No. 92 – VAX – Linda L Wahlquist-Soos

GCH CH T-LAN'S RAINY DAY MONEY FOR ABACUS RA NAP OJP NFP CGC RATO CZ8B; Bred By: ROBERT RILEY & CYNTHIA WALLACE

No. 93 – VA – Pat Heinzelman & Ritzzy

SOUTHCROSS DIAMOND GIRL UD MX MXJ NF SCN SIN SBN RATN; Bred by: SONNY SHANKS LELLE

No. 94- VAX – Tatiana Myers & Chant

GCH CH SHAZZAM OF OZ ENCHANTER RA NAP ACT2 RATN CGC; Bred By: TATIANA MYERS

No. 95 – VA – Kaye Kirk & Stilly

CH OKAYE'S WHERE IT ALL BEGAN RN NFP RATN TKN; Bred By: KAYE M KIRK & PATI HENDERSON

No. 96 – VA - Karin Kinnon & Balto

CH MACH PACH BRAVO'S GALA LEGEND BN RE MXS MJB MXP3 MXPB MJP3 MJPB PAX BCAT; Bred By: DEBORAH HUFF & DONNA LYNN HILLS

No. 97 – VAX – Karin Kinnon & Seal

CH MACH6 GARNET ROCK'S SEAL THE DEAL RA MXS2 MJS2 MXF TQX T2B CA BCAT; Bred By: JUNE GLOVER & SUSAN MCGINNIS

No. 98 - VA – Leslie Cromer & Percy

MAJESTICALLY MADE MAN RE NA NAJ MXP MJP OFP CGC; Bred By: LESLIE CROMER

No. 99 – VA- Leslie Cromer & Shatzi

MAJESTIC SHATZI OF ALMAR RA MX MXJ OF CGC; Bred By: LESLIE CROMER

No. 100 – VA - Kathy LeJeune & Spencer

KRL THE SPENCER CD PCD RN FDC NA NAJ CA BCAT SCN RATS CGC TKP; Bred By: MARGAUX O NIX

No. 101 – VAX - Tatiana Myers & Lusha

GCHS CH SHAZZAM OF OZ TACTICAL SOLUTION RE NA AXP AJP ACT2 RATO TKN; Bred By: TATIANA K MYERS & JOHN CONSTANTINE

2021 AMSC VA & VAX Awards

No. 102 - VAX - Jeri Muntis & Chuck

GCH CH OKAYE'S MOJAVE DEBUT RN AXP AJP NFP TKN RATOX RATS CZ8B ;Bred By: KAYE M KIRK & PATI HENDERSON

No. 103 – VA - Amy McGovern & Eve ARISTOS' MIDSUMMER'S NIGHT EVE RE AJP CGC TKA RATO; Bred By: DEBORAH HUFF & PATTI HENDERSON

No. 104 – VA - Becky Raines & Colton

CH OKAYE’S FIRST MATE OAP OJP NFP RATN; Bred By: KAYE M KIRK & PATTI HENDERSON

No. 105 – VA – Rebecka Christensen & Nyx

CH PACH CHRISTENS NIGHT FURY AX AXJ MXP3 MXPB PADP MJP5 MJPS PAX NF XFP T2BP; Bred By: JILL CHRISTENSEN

No. 106 – VAX - Sue Quinn & Dodger

GCH CH LONEACRE’S GRAND SLAM CD PCDX BN RA MX MXJ OF T2B SCA SWN SCA; Bred By: BETH ANN SANTURE

No. 107 – VA - Liz Hawkins & Caeros

OPPORTUNITY

KNOX WITH A LITTLE ANGEL CD BN RI NJP JE BCAT ACT2 SCN SIN SEN TKA; Bred By: NATHALIE LABELLE

No. 108 - VA – Jamie Morgan & Storm

L’S LEGACY WICKED FORCE OF NATURE RN AX MXJ NF BCAT CGCA TKI ATT; Bred By: SHARON D GISH & TERRY E GISH

No. 109 - VAX - Lee Pinter & Jaxon

SOUTHCROSS THUNDERBOLT JAXON CD BN RAE AX MXJ NF JE SWM SHDN TKN; Bred By: SONNY SHANKS LELLE & RICHARD LELLE

No. 110 – VAX – Kaye Kirk & Maggie

CH MACH ARISTOS’ IRON LADY AT OKAYE CD BN RE MXS MJS XF CA ACT1 RATN CGC TKN; Bred By: PATTIE HENDERSON

No. 111 – VA – Rebecka Christensen & Finn

CH NORTHPINE CHRISTENS REBEL SCUM NAJ RATN; Bred By: JULIE COOPER

No. 112 – Carol Henning & Stassi

GCH CH TIVOLI’S IT’S A REALITY NA NAJ ACT 1 TKN RATN; Bred By: CAROL HENNING & JACKIE HARRIS

(A Total of 11 Awards for 2021 to date)

Breeder Referral – Deborah Huff. No report

Companion & Performance Events – Sue Ratz In 2021 the AMSC Agility Committee chose not to support the Montgomery Terrier Agility Cluster due to COVID concerns. The decision was made prior to the availability of the vaccines. The plan moving forward is for the AMSC to sponsor a day at the Montgomery Terrier Agility Cluster in October 2022 at “In the Net”, Palmyra, PA. The AMSC has supported a day with this cluster in past years. Planning will begin for this event upon completion of the 2021 trials. Barbara clarified that the AMSC did provide trophies for the 2021 Montgomery Terrier Agility trial.

Constitution & By-Laws – Chris Levy There has been no activity on the Constitution and Bylaws Committee in the last year.

Dock & Crop – Barbara Donahue No report.

Ethics – Wyoma Clouss A complaint about a non-AMSC was resolved and sent on to the AKC. Other complaints have been received and are working towards a resolution.

Guidelines – LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEER!!!

Health – Patti Henderson This serves as the year-end report of the Health Committee activity during the past year and meets the minimal requirement for all standing Committees

- 1. PRA Testing** (Type B PRA HIVEP3) - We continue to monitor reports and questions from members. There was a single carrier status reported to the AMSC-List by owners re a popular stud dog. It is our hope to get aggregate data from WisdomHealth to enable us to somewhat determine prevalence. While this appears to be a good and reliable test, it is not the complete answer. Only whole-genome sequencing that can be utilized to reliably genotype PPT1 and determine disease status which at the moment is cost prohibitive.
- 2. Persistent Mullerian Duct Syndrome (PMDS)** – We continue to gather information and recommendations previously published remain viable. Breeders who have some exposure, or other purpose, are testing. **AVOID** at all costs removing dogs from the gene pool.

3. **NON-SELECTIVE DNA Testing** continues as the MOST SIGNIFICANT concern surprisingly brought about by multiple testing capabilities through a new lab, Wisdom Health. The AMSC Health Committee discourages “indiscriminate” testing which may add additional gene pool pressures that are not desirable for our breed. Population genetics is a subset of traditional genetics that breeders need to understand. CLEARLY, epigenetics** plays an important role that remains difficult to define and does impact our small and contracting gene pool. Educational information, seminars, discussion panels as well as other educational tools for using DNA testing and interpreting results will be developed for Breeders. Indiscriminate (shot-gun testing) can be nothing but a rabbit hole. Unless an issue is a problem or potential problem in the breed, we will continue to secure information for breeders on the appropriate use of DNA Testing. The educational materials being provided thru the AKC, AKC/CHF are excellent and may provide at least basic understanding

https://www.akcchf.org/educational-resources/library/articles/CANINE_GENETIC_TESTING_07-28-2020_FINAL_with-links.pdf

** Epigenetics is best defined as the study of changes in organisms brought about by modification of gene expression, rather than by alteration of the genetic code in the form of DNA. For more discussion - <https://www.cdc.gov/genomics/disease/epigenetics.htm>

4. DISEASE REPORTS

- There are several reports pending with signed disclosures from AMSC members that are currently under review.
- One case of Type B1 PRA HIVEP3 carrier status was reported by owners to the list.
- **AKC/CHF AMSC Priorities** — Every year or so the AMSC Health Committee reports Priorities of the Breed to the CHF for purposes of defining research priorities for Principal Investigators.
 - **Most serious health concerns within Miniature Schnauzers** — **Pancreatitis, Autoimmune disease JRD, Microvascular disease/Liver Shunt,**
 - **Most common concerns within Miniature Schnauzers**— **Pancreatitis, hyperlipidemia and bladder stones, periodontal disease**
 - **Top concerns for dogs in general**—**cancer, skin disease, diabetes mellitus, autoimmune diseases**

TOP DISEASES/HEALTH CONCERNS for MINIATURE SCHNAUZERS

1. Pancreatitis
2. Microvascular disease / Portosystemic Shunts
3. Periodontal Disease
4. Cataracts
5. Retinal Dysplasia
6. Glaucoma
7. Hyperadrenocorticism (Cushing’s disease)
8. Diabetes Mellitus
9. Juvenile Renal Disease
10. Hyperlipidemia
11. Bladder Stones
12. Autoimmune Disease
13. Hypothyroidism
14. SARDs/PRA
15. Heart Disease
16. Gallbladder disease
17. MAC

5. **AKC/CHF RESEARCH PROPOSALS** This past year we were approved to fund 5 important research proposals. As we get status reports we will share these with the Board and the members.

Blood Disorders 02703: Resolving the Major Dyslipidemia Phenotypes and Genetic Risk Factors for Familial Hyperlipidemia in Miniature Schnauzers

Principal Investigator: Eva Furrow, VMD, PhD; University of Minnesota Total Grant Amount: \$98,404; Grant Period: 4/1/2020 - 3/31/2022

Familial hyperlipidemia reportedly afflicts more than 75% of Miniature Schnauzers by 10 years of age. This condition is defined as too much circulating lipid (fat) in the bloodstream. Familial hyperlipidemia predisposes dogs to other serious diseases which impact their health and wellbeing. Management of familial hyperlipidemia is hampered by gaps in the understanding of its metabolic and genetic origin. Investigators aim to uncover the metabolic and genetic causes of hyperlipidemia in Miniature Schnauzers. Preliminary data revealed evidence for more than one type of familial hyperlipidemia within the breed. In this study, metabolomics/lipidomics will be used to identify and quantify over 2000 substances in the blood related to metabolism of lipids and other nutrients, classifying them into types of familial hyperlipidemia. Whole genome sequencing will be used to generate a list of hyperlipidemia mutations that may contribute to one or more types of familial hyperlipidemia. Identifying the different types of familial hyperlipidemia and their respective genetic risk factors in Miniature

Schnauzers will lead to improved understanding and treatment of the condition, with individualized therapies and genetic tests used to identify at risk dogs that will benefit from early intervention and monitoring.

General Canine Health

02809: Microbial and Cytokine Signatures of Periodontitis in Dogs

Principal Investigator: Santiago Peralta, DVM; Cornell University

Total Grant Amount: \$86,532; Grant Period: 11/1/2020 - 10/31/2022

Periodontitis is a painful inflammatory disease that affects a vast majority of dogs at some point during their lifetime. Despite its importance, preventive, diagnostic and treatment strategies have not evolved for decades and these strategies lack a mechanistic rationale. Even though the possible causes and mechanisms of disease are not fully understood, they are believed to involve complex interactions between the host animal's defense mechanisms and the microbial communities that are normally present under the gumline. Evidence suggests that the types of microbes present in these communities and their genetic material can influence a dog's defense mechanisms but has yet to be explored. In this study, investigators will use modern molecular techniques to study the genetic material of the microbial communities present under the gumline of dogs with different stages of periodontal disease and determine how these communities relate to the degree of inflammation and destruction of the tissue attached to affected teeth. The results of this study will generate baseline knowledge on how and why periodontal disease occurs in dogs. Furthermore, this work will be important in designing future studies aimed at developing novel and more effective preventive, diagnostic and therapeutic strategies for this highly relevant disease.

Gastrointestinal Disease

02899: How do Maternal, Environmental, and Genetic Factors Contribute to Acquisition and Evolution of the Enteric Microbiome in Dogs?

Principal Investigator: David Williams, PhD; University of Illinois Total Grant

Amount: \$107,825; Grant Period: 4/1/2021 - 3/31/2024

The enteric microbiome is the consortium of microbes, primarily bacteria, living in the intestinal tract of all mammals. The enteric microbiome is critical to the health of the host animal and numerous diseases are associated with abnormalities in its composition. Mammals first acquire their enteric microbiome at the time of birth from contact with microbes living on and in their mothers. As the host animal grows and matures, so does the enteric microbiome which eventually settles upon an adult-like configuration. Whereas the enteric microbiomes of neonates are unstable and lacks diversity, the adult microbiome is stable and highly diverse. Studies in humans and other animals have found that factors that interrupt or delay maturation of the microbiome are associated with the development of diseases including asthma, allergies, chronic intestinal diseases, and obesity. Very little is known about how the enteric microbiome of dogs matures during the first year of life. The purpose of this study is to follow the acquisition and subsequent maturation of the enteric microbiome during the first 14 months of life in three common breeds of dogs: German Shepherd Dogs, Labrador Retrievers, and Golden Retrievers. Investigators will collect samples from mothers during pregnancy and from puppies starting at the day of birth through 14 months of age. The research team will use advanced DNA sequencing technologies to understand how the microbiome matures during this critical developmental window and determine how the genetics of the host animal influences this process. This study has the potential to inform the development of novel preventative and therapeutic approaches to optimize canine health from birth to adulthood

Endocrinology (2)

02850-A: Potential Reduction of Systemic and Pancreatic Inflammation using Fenofibrate in Diabetic Dogs

Principal Investigator: Allison O'Kell, DVM, MS; University of Florida Total

Grant Amount: \$15,000; Grant Period: 2/1/2021 - 1/31/2023

Diabetes mellitus (DM) is a common disease in dogs and a cause of significant patient morbidity as well as emotional and financial stress to pet owners. In this study, investigators will examine the effect of fenofibrate on alleviating some of the complications of DM. Fenofibrate is a drug known to decrease blood lipid levels that has also shown promise in laboratory settings to decrease other consequences of DM such as gut barrier dysfunction, systemic inflammation and pancreatitis. Investigators hypothesize that fenofibrate treatment in spontaneous canine DM will reduce systemic inflammation and decrease serum pancreatic lipase activity (a marker of pancreatic inflammation), and positively alter lipoprotein profiles without affecting blood sugar

(glycemic) control. The results of this study will be used to design a larger long-term longitudinal clinical trial which will evaluate risk-reduction of pancreatitis and other DM complications by fenofibrate in dogs.

02875: Canine Pituitary Adenoma Organoids (CaPitO) as in vitro Model for Canine Cushing's Disease

Principal Investigator: Karin Sanders, DVM, PhD; Utrecht University
Total Grant Amount: \$106,939; Grant Period: 4/1/2021 - 9/30/2022

Pituitary-dependent hypercortisolism (PDH) caused by a pituitary tumor (adenoma) is one of the most common endocrine disorders in dogs. Medical treatment options that focus on the pituitary tumor are currently lacking. In this project, investigators aim to validate three-dimensional Canine Pituitary adenoma Organoids (CaPitOs) as a model for canine PDH, and use this to find new pituitary-targeted treatment options. Organoids are grown from stem cells and resemble the primary organ or tumor they derive from and therefore can be viewed as avatars of the tumor that can be cultured in the laboratory. Investigators will perform next generation sequencing techniques to identify new treatment targets and then inhibit these targets with drug screens in the validated CaPitOs. Drugs identified in this study may eventually improve the survival and quality of life of dogs with PDH, improve the treatment of PDH in humans, as well as offer a sound but less-invasive alternative to pituitary surgery.

Historian & Public Records – LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEER!!!

Judges Education/Overall Education – John Constantine-Amodei

We had a judges' education with workshop at Grayslake during our Roving. There were 8 participants. We have been requested to give a seminar in March by the Carolina Dog Judges Group in conjunction with a long-legged Terrier institute.

Judges Selection – Bonnie Keyes

Locations for future Roving Specialties are Lodi in 2022 and Louisville 2023. Suggestions of locations that would work during the time period of March/April 2024 in the middle of the country (i.e., Oklahoma, Colorado, etc.) should be sent to John Constantine-Amodei and if a local club would like to work on this Roving Specialty getting things in place, it would be greatly appreciated. If a location is found and a local club doesn't step up to help out, a group of people can be asked to step in and help out.

Legislative Liaison – Vicki Kubic/Kelly Radcliffe; Kelly Radcliffe posts important AKC legislative alerts to the AMSC-L

Membership/Insignia – Debbra Herrell

Congratulations to the following AMSC members:

Applicants for Membership:

Grigore Beldean, 8995 Camp Creek Rd., Lucasville, Ohio 45648 Kennel name: V.Brukenthal Greg would like to join to be in contact with other breed enthusiasts to learn and to help others. Also, to be a part of the most reputable breed club. He has been involved with miniature schnauzers in conformation for more than 30 years and breeding for over 26 years. He attends more than 30 shows per year. His first purebred was a giant schnauzer in 1983. A few years after he purchased the first miniature schnauzer and started V.Brukenthal Kennel back in Romania. His goal is to breed to improve the breed by combining the European with American lines and increase the gene pool. He will help the club with good breed knowledge and history,

25 years

Brown Bryan W. (Bill)
Fredette Susan R.
Harding Marian
Keyes Bonnie G.
Kidd Tania S.
Ledgerwood Mack
Lyons Cheryl E.
Teets Sharon
Wallace Florence

Hoffmann, D.V.M. Karen
S.Ingram Amanda M.
Konkel Monica Payne
McArdle Mary
McGovern Amy Means
Katherine (Kathy)
Mendez Eduardo
Orr Heather
Prokopetz Karen
Rousey Kerrie
Rowe John
Scott JoAnne
Tibbs Paula
Viggiano Yolanda
Williams Mary Ann "Annie"

5 years

Bankston Cindy
Barbour Lynn
Christensen Rebecka
Harris Jackie
Hawkins Liz
Henning Carol

good organization skills, good teamwork, and eager to learn as well as teach. Greg owns and operates a transportation company. Sponsors: Gail Schnetzer, Andrew Deer

Kimberly Lamb, P.O. Box 476, Hampden, MA 01036

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would like to join the AMSC in order gain more knowledge. She uses the AMSC website often, but would like to have member access. She has been a breeder for 29 years and has had three litters in the past five years. Kim shows in conformation (18 yrs.), rally (5 yrs.) and barn hunt (4 yrs.). She has belonged to the Holyoke KC for over 20 years and is presently on the Board and several committees. She is also the current President of the Paul Revere Miniature Schnauzer Club and has been a member for 11 years. Her first show dog was co-owned with Geri Kelly. Geri taught her a lot about breeding and showing. She says the dogs are her family and the dog show people are her other family. She is willing to help where ever needed. Sponsors: Vicki Kubic, Pam Schott

Melissa Delatorre, Luis Delatorre, 806 Centre Avenue, Lindenhurst, NY 11757

Melissa and

Luis would like to join the AMSC so they can support the breed that they love and to support and be a part of the schnauzer community. They have read and agree to abide by the Code of Ethics and Breed Standard. They are breeders of one litter in the past five years. Their miniature schnauzer breeder is Geri Kelly and their giant schnauzer breeder is Frances Faberge. They have been involved in conformation for seven years and for one year in agility. They attend 6-10 events per year. They belong to the All-Breed Club-Suffolk County Kennel Club (Board member & Chairperson), Group Club-Big Apple Working Group Club (Board members), Parent Club-Giant Schnauzer Club of America (members). Melissa and Luis are social and outgoing and are willing to help in any way to preserve our breed. Sponsors: Geraldine C. Kelly, Vicki Kubic

Tammy Stannert, Scott A Dures 406 E. 5th Ave., South Williamsport, PA 17702

Their interest in

the AMSC is to absorb as much education it has to offer and also to support the preservation of the breed. They own black miniature schnauzers bred by Geraldine Kelly. They are involved in conformation, agility and obedience and attend 12-18 shows per year. They are not members of any other clubs. Tammy is a self-employed business owner and Scott is a retired civil/engineer. They will use their skills to encourage others. Sponsors: Geraldine C. Kelly, Joanne Reidley

Montgomery County Hospitality – Barbara Donahue

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hotel, optional hotel and member dinner meeting information have been distributed. The last date to submit dinner reservation is Sept 23 because the final headcount is required by Madeline's, the dinner meeting location, by Friday, Sept 24. A local volunteer has come forward to assist with MCKC hospitality.

Pblications & Literature – Patricia O'Brien Very few sales since last report.

Rescue – Kelly Radcliffe

In many parts of the country, there are significantly fewer dogs with rescue groups than there were just two years ago. Fewer people have been contacting the AMSC rescue committee about surrendering dogs, but all who have contacted us are referred to the groups that we recognize on the website. The number of people wanting to adopt a Miniature Schnauzer or mix has been pretty stable, and I continue to refer an average of 8 - 10 people per month to a nearby rescue group, local club, or nearby AMSC member breeder. I've heard back from a few of these referrals just to let me know that the referral worked out and they were able to adopt or purchase a dog.

Trophies – Amy Gordon, Barbara Donahue

The trophies and rosettes for Montgomery County and for the supported entry at Morris and Essex have arrived and will be distributed.

Ways & Means – Carol Henning and Jackie Harris Year to date report: September 22, 2021

Expenditures: \$0.00 Profits: \$752.61

The Ways and Means committee used an online company, Bonfire, to produce AMSC merchandise for a 3-week campaign of sales. There was no cost to sell through this website. Bonfire handled the sale orders, taxes and shipping costs of merchandise, as well as customer exchanges and questions. The more merchandise that is sold, the bigger the profit is for the club. The Ways and Means Committee hopes to use Bonfire or a similar company for our next campaign.

Website/Social Media – Vicki Kubic

IMPORTANT NOTICES! – It is up to our members to review their AMSC Referral listing on our website.

Please notify Jackie Harris if there are any changes, updates or corrections to your listing! The same pertains to the AMSC Roster! You are responsible for notifying Bonnie Keyes if there are any changes or corrections to your Roster listing. Jackie Harris is helping with the website, Facebook and Instagram. Helen Carter helps with Facebook on the weekends. We now have over 70K followers!! Amy McGovern runs our Twitter account for us. Please like us on Facebook, Instagram & Twitter!

Special Committees

AMSCOPE Magazine - Vicki Kubic, Kate McMillian, Krystal Mason

Inaugural Issue was published and mailed in early August and we essentially broke financially even for our first issue. The feedback was excellent! We want to thank all the hard-working volunteers that are making this publication possible! We have received approx.15 non-member subscriptions as of early Sept. Fourth Quarter Issue to be published the first week of December. Ad deadline Nov. 1st. This issue will feature a host of regional specialty results, Montgomery results, AMSC Awards and the 2021 Stud Issue including a "state of the sire lines". Please support this important endeavor for our breed history and future by supporting us with your advertising! Advertising is open to both members and non-members. Most front and back covers are reserved. Check with Kate for any availability.



The Quarterly Magazine of the American Miniature Schnauzer Club

Inaugural Issue (Third Quarter 2021) : Publication first week of AUGUST

> Ad deadline July 1

Features:

- Roving National results
- Top 25 MS of 2020 in review
- Cover (open for reservation)

Fourth Quarter 2021: Publication first week of DECEMBER

> Ad deadline November 1

Features:

- Montgomery Results
- AMSC Awards
- 2021 Stud Issue
- Cover (open for reservation)

First Quarter 2022: Publication first week of MARCH

> Ad deadline February 1

Features:

- Top 25 Final Rankings for 2021
- Performance standings
- Cover right of first refusal: #1 Mini Schnauzer 2021

Second Quarter 2022: Publication first week of JUNE

> Ad deadline May 1

Features:

- Roving National results
- Top Producer Issue
- Cover (open for reservation)

Regular coverage for all issues;

- Regional specialty reports
- New AKC Champions (first level only)
- Performance reports
- Previous quarter Top 25 rankings
- AMSC meetings, special announcements, reports

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GoodDog.com Committee - Vicki Kubic, Sonny Lelle, Patti Henderson, Beth Santure

Vicki is monitoring GoodDog to assure all breeders listed in the Standard Color Breeders are only breeding approved colors. If not, they are submitted to GoodDog and they move them to the Non-Standard Color Breeder listings.

Statistics – Patti Henderson

This serves as the year-end report of the Statistics Committee activity during the past year and meets the minimal requirement for all standing Committees to submit annual reports to the Board. The mission of this committee is to serve as the formal repository for AMSC Miniature Schnauzer statistical information for other committees or functions, i.e. Awards Committee, AMSCOPE Magazine. The Committee receives recurring quarterly AKC reports of all event activities for Breed and prepares comprehensive data reports as required. The big push this year as a relatively new committee is to serve as the data source for the AMSCOPE magazine providing quarterly reports of Miniature Schnauzer top competitors standings. In addition specific data is made available to the Awards Committee in preparation of the annual meeting.

One of the confounding issues is coordinating publication deadlines with the sometimes untimely receipt of the basic data from the AKC which upon receipt must be analyzed & reformatted for publication to the members.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

New Members Application Approvals

Grigore Beldean, Kimberly Lamb, Melissa Delatorre, Luis Delatorre, Tammy Stannert and Scott Dures. Donna moved, and Shirley seconded to accept the new member applicants. Approved

AMSC Bonfire Fund Raiser – Barbara Donahue

The hospitality Bonfire fundraiser was cancelled because it would have been in conflict with the Ways & Means Bonfire fundraiser.

NEW BUSINESS

2023 Roving Specialty - John moved that the 2023 Roving Specialty be held in Salt Lake City in May. The specialty will be hosted by the Group IV Terrier Club of Salt Lake, and there will be four all breed shows along with a Group Show, in doors at the Equestrian Center in South Jordan Utah. Mary moved and Donna seconded. Approved.

Crop Grants – John Constantine-Amodei

The Doberman Pinscher Club of America (DPCA) offers this program. President Constantine-Amodei like to discuss or possibly develop something similar. Perhaps asking for member vets that crop to participate.

“The DPCA offers a grant in support of a one-week minimum sabbatical (for licensed vets) or a two-week minimum externship (for 3rd and 4th year veterinary students) to work with veterinarians who perform show quality and breed standard ear crops. Grant recipients will be exposed to the surgical, anesthetic, and analgesic considerations required for this procedure. Safe and state of the art anesthesia and analgesia will be emphasized. Grant recipients will be exposed to needs for good patient after care, healing and posting for final aesthetic outcome. The standard for the Doberman Pinscher breed will be emphasized but other cropped breeds may also be seen as patients to provide as many opportunities to observe the procedure as possible for the grant recipient.”

After some discussion, Donna moved, and Shirley seconded that we approach our member vets to help the crop and dock committee come up with guidelines. Approved.

Good Dog Committee – Vicki Kubic

It was moved and seconded by Barbara Donahue to change the status of our Good Dog Committee from a Special Committee to a Standing Committee and approval of committee guidelines (see below). Beth Santure will chair that committee moving forward. The following committee guidelines were proposed and were approved contingent on recommended additions. Vicki will send those to the board list for final approval.

GOOD DOG COMMITTEE GUIDELINES/AKC Market Place

- I. PURPOSE:** In line with the policies and procedures approved by the AMSC Board of Governors, this committee will:
- A. Oversee the Good Dog website for the AMSC, to assure that the Good Dog Miniature Schnauzer breeders advertising as Standard Color Breeders are in fact breeding only the 3 approved colors. In addition, confirm that any breeders advertising that they are a member of the AMSC parent club are in fact members of the club.

II. PROCEDURE:

- A. Monthly, review the Good Dog Standard Color Miniature Schnauzer breeders at this link: <https://www.gooddog.com/miniature-schnauzer>
- B. Scroll through the breeders looking for photos of non-standard colored dogs. Skip past any AMSC members. Open each non-AMSC breeder looking for photos of any off-colors and when you scroll to the bottom of the breeder's page, look to see if they are advertising themselves as an AMSC member when they are not. If you are unsure, compare the breeder to our AMSC Roster in the Members section of the website: <https://www.amsc.us/members-log-in/>
- C. If you find a breeder that is breeding off colors, or listing themselves as an AMSC members when they are not, notate the breeders name, their state and what they are breeding i.e., white, liver, parti, blue eyed merles, etc. and if they are not an AMSC member. Example: Green Flowers Schnauzers, OH – parti, white, is NOT an AMSC member.
- D. Type that non-compliant breeder/breeders information into an email addressed to: breederteam@gooddog.com

1. This is the email header: Standard Color Breeders - False Claims
2. This is the email body:

After reviewing the Standard Color Miniature Schnauzer breeder listings, I found the following discrepancies. The breeders listed below are breeding NON-Standard colors and/or advertising themselves as AMSC members when they are not. Please forward to your Screening and Compliance Team for their review and action.

3. Then list:

BREEDER/BREEDERS NAME. STATE, COLOR/COLORS Advertised, False AMSC member claim

4. Sign the email with:
Your name
American Miniature Schnauzer Club
AMSC Good Dog Committee
Written by Vicki Kubic/Sept. 2021

Induction of New Officers and Board Members

President – Vicki Kubic
Vice President – Patricia O'Brien
Treasurer – Bonnie Keyes
Secretary – Carol Hafner
AKC Delegate – Barbara Donahue
Board Members – Class of 2025
Stephanie Davis-Rae
Patti Henderson
Sonny Lelle
Carla Nickerson

A motion was made to adjourn by Mary Paisley, seconded by Vicki Kubic to adjourn at 7:25. All were in favor.

Next Board meeting will be Tues., Jan. 18, 2022 at 7 pm EST via Zoom.

Zoom meeting information will be forwarded as soon as

