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PLEASE...PLEASE READ THIS

It is important, yet most of us put it off or avoid it. If all is not in place, animals go to the SPCA
ESTATE PLANNING AND PETS

AKC DELEGATES FORUM

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PET TRUSTS



Thank you for the opportunity to present a topic that is near and dear to my heart. Hopefully, when I am finished, you will find this topic equally interesting. I initially was interested in this topic as a result of the area of concentration in which my practice had evolved, namely Estate Planning. Wills, trusts and advanced directives were a topic of conversation on a daily basis. And when prospective clients came into the office for an initial interview I would ask them all the same questions regarding their family, their descendants, their special needs, special bequests, what property they had and who gets what; all pretty standard questions. Being a dog lover I would ask if they had a pet that they wished to provide care for after their

demise. For the most part, the prospective clients would indicate some member of their family or a friend would care for their pet and there was no necessity to include language in the Will or Trust in this regard. By way of background, when I started practicing law in 1970 there was no such thing as a pet trust. For those of you who are not aware, pets are considered "personal property." For legal purposes, and in particular estate planning purposes, pets have the same standing as, for example, a table or a piece of jewelry.

Trusts created for pets (or property) were considered a "purpose trust" which is established to accomplish a "purpose" as opposed to being established for the benefit of a person, corporation, charitable entities, etc. There are three kinds of purpose trusts: Charitable Trusts, created to benefit a charity; Non-Charitable Trusts, created to benefit property; and Trusts

Contrary to Public Policy, created to benefit unlawful activities.

Pet Trusts are of the non-charitable type, created to benefit property. The problem with this type of trust is the Pet is not capable of enforcing the terms of the trust.

The Trustee has the power, but not the legal obligation to carry out the terms of the trust agreement. Accordingly, this type of trust was considered an Honorary Trust. The trustee had a moral obligation, but not a legal obligation to carry out the terms of the trust. Until 1990 a provision in a will or trust which stated "I give \$25,000 to John Doe to take care of my pet Fido" was considered an Honorary Trust and was not enforceable. John could take the \$25,000, euthanize Fido, and head off for that European vacation he had always dreamed about, and who would be there to stop him? Unfortunately, no one.

In 1990 as a result of amendments to the Uniform Probate Code (UPC), and also in 2000 as a result of amendments to the Uniform Trust Code (UTC), language was proposed and adopted which addressed the enforceability issue by allowing states to adopt legislation to allow the establishment of a valid and enforceable trust for the care of a designated pet. The significance of this amendment is that the traditional concept of trust law that the beneficiary had to be a person who could enforce the terms of a trust had remained relatively the same from MIDDLE AGES until the amendments to the UPC and the UTC made trusts for pets enforceable. As an indication of the popularity of this concept forty-six states have adopted statutory pet trust language. For your information the four states that have not enacted pet trust statutes are Minnesota, Mississippi, Louisiana and West Virginia. There are means to address this issue in the four states mentioned which I will address later

I guess one questions may be why is this important? What's the fuss? Consider the following. People love their animals. They enjoy their companionship. They enjoy the giving and receiving of attention and unconditional love. Research indicates that pet ownership positively impacts the owner's health by lowering blood pressure, reducing stress and depression, lowering the risk of heart disease and shortening time after a hospitalization. Some interesting news articles that I quote, but cannot verify are completely accurate, state: 66% of pet owners

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treat their animals as members of their families, 20% of Americans have altered their romantic relationships over pet disputes, 80% brag about their pets to others, 79% allow their pets to sleep in their beds with them, 37% carry pictures of their pets in their wallets, 31% take off work to be with their sick pets and between 12% and 27% include their pets in their wills.

In my practice I draft several dozen PetTrusts annually, but I did not realize the significance of the situation until I read an article in the USA TODAY in 2006 that disclosed the fact that five million pets are euthanized annually in the USA and approximately ten percent (10%) are the result of the pet owner dying and not making any provisions for the care of the pet after their demise. This number has not decreased in the past seven years, it is only increasing. As mentioned previously, forty-six states have enacted "statutory pet trust" laws. A statutory pet trust is a basic plan and does not require the pet owner to make as many decisions regarding the terms of the trust. For example, the state law of Illinois, where I have practiced for the last 40 years, "fills in the gaps" and thus a simple provision in a will or a trust such as "I leave \$25,000 to John Doe in trust with Mary Doe as caretaker for my pet Fido to be administered pursuant to IL Comp.Stat. 760 ILCS 5/15.2" will be enough to create a trust in Illinois for the benefit of Fido.

In the four states that have not enacted pet trust statutes a traditional pet trust is valid and enforceable. In fact, a traditional pet trust is valid and enforceable in all 50 states and gives the pet owner the ability to control the pet's care rather than having a statute or a court determine the pet's needs. The owner can specify the trustee, the caretaker, the type of care, alternate trustee and alternate caretaker, and the ultimate disposition of the pet's remains after the pet dies. On the other hand, if the pet owner has a modest estate and is not interested in spelling out all the details of who will take care of what, what types of care, etc., a statutory pet trust provides an economical means of the pet owner caring for their pet based upon the suggested language in the foregoing paragraph. A traditional pet trust is normally drafted by an attorney who is familiar with the trust laws of the state in question and is usually more expensive to prepare.

Perhaps I get ahead of myself for failing to answer the question "What is a trust?" A trust is a three party arrangement. A GRANTOR transfers legal title of property to be held by a TRUSTEE who is obliged to administer the trust property for the benefit of the BENEFICIARY. The perception in the past was only rich people have a trust. In the past this was the case, however currently trusts are a very popular estate planning tool. It is important to understand the three party concept (Grantor, Trustee and Beneficiary) in order to understand how a pet trust functions.

The Grantor (think Pet Owner or Owners) identifies a trustee (think fiscally responsible person) and a caretaker (think of the person you want to take care of your pet if you are gone). The terms of the Grantor Pet Trust provide that upon Grantor's death, funds (think money in the form of savings or checking accounts, life insurance benefits, investments accounts) are transferred to the Trustee and the Pet is transferred to the Caretaker. The Trustee holds and disburses sufficient funds either monthly, quarterly or annually to the caretaker who uses the funds for the benefit of the Pet. The Caretaker cares for the Pet using the funds received from the Trustee. There is a form of checks and balances. The Trustee makes sure the funds are used for the benefit of the Pet and the Caretaker cares for the Pet and enforces the terms of the Pet Trust.

In creating a Pet Trust the pet owner must: (1) identify the pet or pets by microchip or accurate description including coloring, markings, age, etc.; (2) name a trustee and include the requirement the trustee should inspect the pet on a regular basis to determine its physical and psychological well being; (3) name a caretaker; (4) name an alternate trustee in the event the initial person named as trustee is unable or unwilling to act; (5) name an alternate caretaker in the event the initial person named as caretaker is unable or unwilling to act; (6) compute the amount of funds necessary to care for the pet taking into consideration the type of pet, the standard of living the owner wishes to provide for the pet, potential medical needs, animal sitters special diets, socialization, food, diet, exercise, daily routine, emergency medical care, etc., being careful not to transfer an

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excessive amount of money to the trust because large gifts are likely to encourage heirs and remainder beneficiaries to contest the arrangement (think Leona Hemsley); (7) specify the type of care the Pet is to receive; (8) specify how the trustee is to make disbursements (monthly, quarterly, upon receipts); designate a remainder

beneficiary if there are trust funds left after the pet's demise; and (9) provide for the burial of the pet considering the cost of having the pet embalmed, burial in a pet cemetery, cremation with ashes distributed or placed in a burial urn, or whatever the pet owner's preference.

Horror stories abound about other pet care options. Precatory language such as "I give \$5,000 to my cat, Mittens" or "I give \$5000 to Mary Doe to take care of Mittens" or "It is my desire Mary Doe takes care of my cat, Mittens" are all well intended but are not enforceable. Instead, consider seeking good legal assistance from an attorney who concentrates in Estate Planning in your geographical area to assist you in taking care of Fido. Consider asking for referrals or references from family members or friends, preferably someone who is a pet owner in a similar situation to your own. Another alternative is to contact your local bank trust department to see if they have any recommendations.

You can also find local resources for attorneys who concentrate their practice in Estate Planning through several major national organizations such as the American Bar Association (ABA), The National Association of Estate Planners and Councils (NAEPC), and through the AARP Legal Services Network. Also consider local, state, county and city bar associations. If you do not have access to the Internet, contact your nearest public library and ask if it offers Internet access, or if not, if they will help you find phone numbers for your local ABA, NAEPC, or state, county or city bar associations.

I hope you find the foregoing thought provoking enough to consider discussing a pet trust with your own legal counsel.

Peter B. Canalia, J.D.

3 Alternative Veterinary Care Treatments to Consider

Reviewed and updated for accuracy on April 19, 2019 by Dr. Hanie Elfenbein, DVM, PhD

Pets, like people, can suffer from a variety of debilitating chronic, degenerative conditions. Treatment options, meanwhile, are sometimes limited—focusing on alleviating symptoms through the use of pet pain medication and other means.

But you may have other options—your veterinarian can recommend alternative therapeutic approaches to your pet's health.

Complementary or alternative veterinary care therapies have increased the success rate of postoperative recovery as well as cases involving degenerative spine issues, neurologic disc problems, hip *dysplasia* and cruciate ligament injuries.

The aim of alternative veterinary care therapies is to heal your pet using a whole-body, or holistic, approach.

Complementary therapies treat your pet's condition by addressing the cause of the disease while keeping you actively involved in your pet's treatment. Some of the more common complementary therapies include:

Hydrotherapy for Dogs

Canine hydrotherapy is a beneficial alternative to high-impact exercise for dogs with chronic bone conditions or crippling injuries, such as *arthritis* or cruciate ligament trauma.

During therapy, your dog is assisted in and out of a pool to minimize body stress and possible injury. A dog harness is frequently used to help your dog in maintain an above-water position. The water in the pool may also be heated; heat application helps alleviate muscular discomfort and pain.

Some hydrotherapy treatments include using underwater resistance jets to create a current for the dog to swim against.

Underwater treadmill therapy is a form of hydrotherapy where the dog walks against the force of the water to build muscle. Like water aerobics, moving through water is gentle on joints while requiring muscles to work hard.

This type of hydrotherapy for dogs has become more popular because it requires only a small tank, not a full-size pool.

Pet Chiropractor

Sometimes your pet's *malaise* can be relieved by realigning and balancing their body by using a "force equaling mass times acceleration," according to Dr. Gerald Johnson, a holistic veterinarian with many years' experience working

primarily with dogs and horses. Dr. Johnson utilizes a variety of alternative therapies for patients at his practice.

Dr. Johnson stresses that in order for a veterinarian to incorporate chiropractic treatment, they must have a comprehensive understanding of animal anatomy and the "line of correction," and must "know the bones."

He explains, "you can feel subtle [tactile] changes when you apply chiropractic or massage therapy [on a pet]. In chiropractic therapy, the veterinarian uses manipulation to realign and adjust the bones. You'll see an almost immediate change; your pet will start to feel better right away. The basis for chiropractic therapy is balancing the body's circulation and energy flow. Once that is initiated, the body's innate ability to heal itself will take over and finish healing what manipulation therapy started."

Dr. Johnson notes that several therapeutic adjustments are usually necessary, because there is memory in the joints.

Pet Acupuncture

How does pet acupuncture work? Dr. Johnson says, "An acupuncture needle is used to either open up blocked energy flow or reduce [it] when there's too much energy flow in an area. Basically, acupuncture is used to balance the meridians that crisscross the body; the yin and yang."

"An acupuncture needle is inserted into key points to stimulate that point, [and to] stimulate another area. Or, [acupuncture] is used to interrupt the *nerve* supply by blocking the switch causing the pain," he explains.

The most common pet problem corrected by acupuncture is arthritis. Dr. Johnson has both seen and used acupuncture to treat all kinds of pet conditions, ranging from neurological problems (such as seizures) to skin disorders, thyroid imbalances and heart conditions.

If your pet suffers from a chronically painful condition, there are well-established complementary veterinary care treatments available. These treatments can speed postoperative recovery, assist pets in regaining mobility, and most importantly, help them feel better.

Talk to your veterinarian about all the options available to your pet. Sometimes the best medicine includes a variety of types of care.

NEW APPLICANTS

LISA K MILLER

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Lisa has been involved with Miniature Schnauzers since 1997, more than 20 years.

She has been showing three of her dogs very successfully in Conformation and Performance Events.

She is not a breeder, but has raised several litters which she has co-owned with Hilde Haakensen.

Lisa attends 20+ dog events a year, most recently Schnauzerpalooza 19' where she helped out with Agility Top 25 Event. She belongs to Atlanta Obedience Club, (Agility Trial Chair for years), Canine Capers Agility (Hospitality for AKC Shows), AMSC 2016-2017 (membership accidentally lapsed). Lisa is interested in helping our club out with Rescue, Membership, Agility, Barn Hunt, Rally and Fast Cat. She has excellent computer skills, and is a people person.

Lisa's Sponsors are: Barbara Donahue and Marie Murphy

VICKI L DAY

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Vicki has been involved with Miniature Schnauzers for 16 years. She currently owns seven (7).

She is a breeder and breeds occasionally for her own line.

She has bred 2 litters.

She is showing in conformation.

She attends 8 events a year.

She belongs to the Cactus State Miniature Schnauzer Club, Glendale, AZ and has held offices as Director, Show Chairman, Membership, and is currently President.

Vicki is retired. She would like to assist our club with Public Awareness and Education.

She has experience in Computer Skills and Leadership Skills.

Vicki's sponsors are: Dee Ann Simpson and Ginny Fagan

Bouquets & Biscuits

***Southcross Indian Summer CD BN RN** (Ch Southcross Country Road BN RN x GCH Southcross Don't Repeat This NA NAJ) earned his Companion Dog (CD) and Beginner Novice (BN) titles at the 2019 Schnauzapalooza. This was his first time showing in the Novice class and he placed all three times. For the BN, he had one leg with a first place 198 and earned the last two with two more first places and scores of 197 and 199.5. He also had two first places and a second in Rally Novice B with scores of 100, 100 and 99. He is such a surprise! Indy is owned and loved by Nancy and Clay Lincoln.

***MACH Southcross Secret Code CD BN MXB MJB OF RATI** (GCh Southcross Bad Moon Rising x Ch Sercetep's Sunrise Ruby) earned her second Companion Dog Excellent (CDX) leg and a first place at the 2019 Schnauzapalooza. She also had two first places and a fourth place (handler error) in Rally Intermediate with scores of 100, 92 and 99. Abby is owned and loved by Clay and Nancy Lincoln.

***On May 20, 2019, CH Gala Dirty Dancer RA NAJ NAP MJPB NF XFP RATS TKN "Sway-Z"**, achieved the requirements earning his Versatility Award Excellent. He is only the 9th Miniature Schnauzer to do so. He is bred by Gay Oltjenbruns and Donna Lynn Hills. Sway-z is out of CH Repitition's It's A Rap and CH Gala Bravissimo!

Owning a dog may be in your genes

If you consider yourself a dog person, turns out this particular preference may come down to your DNA. A study on the heritability of dog ownership has found a person's genetic makeup strongly impacts whether they choose to get a dog.

In Memorium

Remembering Louis Auslander

The sport of purebred dogs has lost another icon. Louis Auslander died today just shy of his 95th birthday.

Lou was past AKC President and Chairman of the Board and was known as the man who was responsible for the rebirth of the International Kennel Club of Chicago—a benched show that was a tradition in our sport.

Lou requested that donations in lieu of flowers go to Take The Lead.

Our thoughts and prayers are with Mr. Auslander's friends and family during this time



**Carl Richard Isley
January 06, 1944 - May 30, 2019**

Carl Richard Isley, Sr. died 05/30/2019 with his loving wife and children by his side. Richard was born in Salem, OR. He attended grade school at Greenwood and Jr High and High school at Whiteland. He was a member of 4H and while showing the families Cheviot sheep he soon became a professional Shepherd. Showing sheep for other breeders and shearing sheep in several counties in south central Indiana

He attended Purdue and the University of Indianapolis and graduated from the Indiana College of Mortuary Science. He worked at the family feed store and then started working at the Allison Div. of General Motors in 1966. He retired after 36 ½ years of service as a manufacturing superintendent.

He was a 50 yr. member of Farmers Lodge # 147 F&AM, a longtime member of the American Miniature Schnauzer Club, and the Central Indiana Kennel Club.

Montgomery Week- Homewood Suites Hotel Reservation Information

The AMSC has again contracted with Homewood Suites and they are accepting reservations for Montgomery week. For those that have not joined us in the past, the Homewood Suites Valley Forge is located at 681 Shannondell Blvd, Audubon, PA 19403 and is conveniently located near restaurants, shopping and major roadways.

The 2019 room rates are:

\$139 for studio suite (1 King bed with pullout sofa)

\$159 for one bedroom suite (1 King or 2 Queen with pullout sofa rooms)

\$189 for two bedroom suite (1 King and 2 Queen with pullout sofa)

Book your rooms by Sept 12, 2019 to guarantee these rates. An additional 10% room tax applies. There is a \$75 non-refundable pet fee per room; guests are to sign the pet policy at check-in. Compared to 2018, the studio and 1 bedroom suite rate remained the same; the two bedroom suite rate increased \$10 per night. Due to popular demand by members and show goers, we managed to secure more of the 2 Bedroom Suites for 2019!

Guests may book one of two ways:

Call the hotel at 610-539-7300 and mention you are booking with the American Miniature Schnauzer Club, group code AMS

Go online to: www.homewoodsuitesvalleyforge.com and under the reservations tab enter the group code AMS.

Questions.... call or email me.

MCKC Hospitality

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MCKC Silent Auction and Garage Sale Donations Needed

Looking to reduce your collection of Schnauzer decorations? Are you a talented artist or craftsperson? Consider donating items for the annual MCKC Auction and Garage Sale being held at the member meeting and reception on Saturday Oct 5th. Money raised through this fun activity is designated for the Trophy Fund.

It would be appreciated if members contact me by mid September (sooner is better!) with a list of items they want to donate. Photos and an estimated value are appreciated so we can pre-price items.

If you are not attending MCKC but want to donate items, a member in your geography that is coming to the show may be able to bring your items.

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MCKC Member Meeting and Reception Reservations

Check next months AMSCOPE (and the website) for details on making your reservation for the Member Meeting and Reception. Semplice Catering will once again be our caterer and we'll offer a cash bar.



The nominating committee has selected the new slate of officers and board members:

John Constantine for President

Vicki Kubic for Vice President

Kaye Kirk secretary

Bonnie Keys treasure

Barbara Donahue Delegate

Board ending in 2023

Debbie Herrell

Sue Ratz

Laurie Moore

Wyoma Clouss



AMSC Board Meeting Minutes April 3, 2019 4:55 Central Daylight Time

Board Members present:

Carol Weinberger – President, Patti Henderson – Vice President, Bonnie Keyes – Treasurer, Kaye Kirk – Secretary, Barbara Donahue – AKC Delegate

Rod Hartshorn, Marie Murphy, Donna Hills, Vicki Kubic, Sonny Lelle, Beth Santure, Shirley Fry, Shawne Imler, Stella Van Cleave, Cathi Rohrer, Sharon Edwards, Patty Ledgerwood, Mary Paisley

Approval of agenda

Sonny Lelle moved to approve the agenda and Shirley Fry seconded. The Agenda was approved.

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES:
Cathi Rohrer moved to approve the Minutes from the meeting of January 10, 2019 and Vicki Kubic seconded. Minutes were approved.

BOARD REPORTS:

Report of the President Carole Weinberger

Carole announced that she is not running for an additional term as President. She went on to say that if Vice-President Patti Henderson had not been such a great help to her, there would have been no SchnauzaPalooza

Current membership - Total Membership: 428; Regular Voting Members: 398; Life Voting Members : 3; Non-Voting Members: 27

AKC Delegate – No report

SchnauzaPalooza – Record number of entries since MiniPalooza. Bill will be paid. The Meet & Greet is tonight and there are 300 combined attendees. 80 signed up for Bergit's grooming seminar. There are 155 for the AMSC Meet & Greet and Top Schnauzer. Will be honoring Conformation, as well as the top dogs in Agility, Obedience and Barn Hunt.

Treasurer Bonnie Keyes provided financial reports to the Board members. Not

many of the SchnauzaPalooza expenses are included. SchnauzaPalooza will have a separate Profit and Loss Statement. The Audit has been completed. Patti Henderson moved that the Treasurer's Report be accepted, Patty Ledgerwood seconded and the motion passed.

Vicki Kubic reported that there are 302 members on the AMSC email list. It is important to get your roster changes to Bonnie ASAP and include cell numbers.

There was a discussion regarding the conflict between the timing of AMSCOPE and the requirements for Elections. It was discussed that we should contact Carla Borrelli and see if she could do a one page Special Edition for Nominations and Elections.

AWARDS - Sue Ratz still needs a second person to assist her. There will always be more than just the Annual Awards. We need a Process. Shawne Imler volunteered to assist Sue. As discussed last Board Meeting, we need a sub-committee to review how we give the various "Top" awards and make suggestions regarding awards for the Owner, as well as the Breeder. Sonny Lelle will chair this.

The discussion was that currently only the breeder gets the award and should also have award for owner who has worked and trained and showed the dog. Consensus was that both should be awarded, but the sub-committee should come up with some guidelines. Also help clarify how the Lanny Hirstein Award and AKC Sportsmanship award should be given. Need to look at the Original intent of the Lanny award.

Nominating Committee: Needs to work with Carla to get the information out timely. Motion that Nominating Committee has the responsibility to get the information sent to membership separate from AMSCOPE.

Montgomery County – Morris & Essex will occur in 2020 and we need to plan

for that. Need to budget for trophies there, as AMSC will have a supported entry. Trophies should be different than those offered at Montgomery County.

Judges' Education – Ten have signed up for the SchnauzaPalooza Judges' Education and Chris Levy will run it. The board would like to see information on measuring dogs included in this and all seminars. We need to teach the judges what we expect. Beth Santure made a motion and Patty Ledgerwood seconded, that we do a measuring seminar with every judges' Education that we do, and that every participant should measure a dog. Motion passed unanimously.

Guidelines – Need to be sent to Luana Nedich;

Health Committee Report- Patricia O'Brien sent several reports with the agenda. Patti Henderson reported that the testing for PRA-B is still up in the air. We are waiting for a report. There was a discussion regarding the health committee pages on the website.

Historian & Policy - Richard Isley has many boxes of information and we need to decide where he should send them. Barbara Donahue said that some clubs have had all their records scanned for several thousand dollars, but then the discussion was that someone may need to go through them and decide what to keep and what not to keep.

Judge's selection - Bonnie has the information and is ready to move forward.

Legislative – No Report

Local Club Newsletter – Still looking for a head for the committee. Stella Van Cleave suggested Ronnie Smith, Vicki said she would check with her.

Publications – Kaye Kirk suggested that we may want to look at updating our grooming charts. Apparently many of the thumb drives we purchased for

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judges' education are blank, according to Wyoma Clouss.

Roving Specialty – John Constantine has suggested to do it in conjunction with the grayslake shows. Motion was made by Patty Ledgerwood that the roving needs to be something special, so to send back to John and ask for more detail about this show. Patti Henderson seconded and the motion passed.

Trophies – We had to have extra trophies for this show, so we are over the \$5000 budget for the year. Bonnie Keyes wants a breakdown on trophies and ribbons.

Ways & Means - Jackie Harris and Carol Henning say we will have a profit for the store. At Palooza all proceeds from the store will be split. Jackie and her sister will be doing a photobooth for the minis 30 minutes after Best of Breed. All proceeds will go to AMSC.

Website – Vicki Kubic believes we need to change the password. Suggestion

is 2020 Schnauzer. She will change it and notify the membership. The Facebook page has 42,000+ followers. Kate McMillan has helped with Twitter. Patti Henderson said that the Board should acknowledge what Kate has done to help us with Twitter. When we are posting from a dog show should use the hashtag #lamdogshows.

New Business:

AKC Marketing – Barbara Donahue reports that there are not many clubs using social media. There are approximately twenty clubs using Facebook and only three parent clubs currently using Twitter.

Schnauzer Shorts – Is changing the way they calculate the points. It is virtually impossible to count the BOS points at this time. Patti Henderson moved to table the suggestion to do anything about it, Patty Ledgerwood seconded, Issue was tabled.

Changes to Membership Application – Vicki Kubic and Beth Santure presented

a proposed updated application. Sonny Lelle moved to accept the changes, Cathi Roher seconded. Motion passed. Vicki will make the changes and update website.

New Membership Applications: Tim & Mary Jane Samson, Barry Bonds, Glen & Marlene Larson, Lorna Abreu, and Bonnie E. Garris were all voted in. Patty Ledgerwood Moved the acceptance and Rod Hartshorn seconded.

There was a separate discussion regarding the application of Alejandra Garcia Merino. We received letters of protest to her membership from Barbara Donahue and Beth Santure, as well as John Constantine. Carole Weinberger reported that she had contacted AKC for more input and suggested we table this application until we hear back from AKC. Patti Henderson moved to table and Patty Ledgerwood seconded, application was tabled.

Patty Ledgerwood moved to adjourn and Shirley Fry seconded and the Meeting was adjourned at 7:12.

AMSC Annual Montgomery Reception/ Member Meeting Reservation Form

Sat. Oct. 5, 2018 at the host hotel, Homewood Suites, 6
Reception is from 6:30 PM to 9 PM "\$20.00 per person"

Member Name(s) _____

Guest Name if known _____

Total # of reservations _____

Am't enclosed \$20 x _____ = Total \$ _____

Mail form and check to:
"Bonnie Keyes- AMSC Treasurer
511 River Terrace Drive
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American Miniature Schnauzer Club

NOMINATIONS OF JUDGES FOR SPECIALTIES AND SWEEPSTAKES

SPRING / SUMMER 2021 FALL 2021

Please nominate three (3) judges for Regular Classes and three (3) different judges for the Sweepstakes classes. The full name of each nominee must be shown. **Do not** use nicknames or professional names. Addresses are not required. It is requested that, where possible, addresses for the Sweepstakes' nominees be provided on the back of this ballot to aid the committee in contacting them.

BALLOTS MUST BE FULLY COMPLETED, SIGNED BY THE AMSC MEMBER, AND RETURNED TO THE CHAIRPERSON BY July 15, 2019. FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH ALL INSTRUCTIONS AS PROVIDED HEREIN WILL CAUSE YOUR BALLOT TO BE DISCARDED.

DO NOT NOMINATE ANY OF THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE FOR EITHER THE REGULAR CLASSES OR THE SWEEPSTAKES CLASSES. THEY WILL HAVE JUDGED THESE CLASSES WITHIN THE PRECEDING THREE (3) YEARS AND ARE NOT ELIGIBLE FOR NOMINATION AT THIS TIME.

Do Not Nominate these People

Regular Classes

Terry Stacy
John Constantine
Steve Hayden
David Kirkland
Brian Bogart
Marcia Feld
Berget Kabel

Sweepstakes Classes

Ken Allen
Kim Griffin
Susan Atherton
Patricia O'Brien
Carla Nickerson
Gayle Wilford
Cheryl Coffman

Regular Classes

1. _____ (3 pts)
2. _____ (2 pts)
3. _____ (1 pt)

Sweepstakes Classes

1. _____ (3 pts)
2. _____ (2 pts)
3. _____ (1 pt)

MEMBER SIGNATURE _____ (REQUIRED)

PRINTED NAME OF MEMBER: _____ (REQUIRED)

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