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NEWSLETTER PUBLICATION SCHEDULE

<u>Copy Deadline</u>	<u>Publication Date</u>
February 7	February 15
April 7	April 15
June 7	June 15
August 7	August 15
October 7	October 15
December 7	December 15

A REMINDER TO ALL MEMBERS:

Please advise our secretary, Lynne Conder, of any changes to your address, phone or e-mail address. We don't want you to miss any of the PrairieLand newsletters!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR . . . CLUB MEETING DATES FOR 2022

- January 18, 2023
- March 15, 2023
- May 28, 2023 (in conjunction with annual dinner at Specialty)
- July – TBD (Saturday) – annual picnic
- September 20, 2023
- November – TBD (Saturday) – (Christmas dinner)



NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be on Wednesday, March 15th.
Stay tuned for more information via e-mail.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Hi All:

Hope your Winter is going reasonably well. I know it's already February but I can't wait until Spring. Thanks to all who joined our last meeting via Zoom. At the next meeting, we will be discussing the May specialty more in depth.

Your president,

Connie Reidner



PSSC MEETING MINUTES 01/18/2023

The first 2023 PSSC meeting was held by Zoom on Wednesday, 1/18/2023.

President Connie opened the meeting at 6:15 p.m.

Attending were Don and Diane Kachur, Connie Reidner, Gwen Kirman, Kathi Dvorak, Kathy Koehler, Penny Duffee, Lynne Conder, Marsha Landers, and Dorothy Pazereskis.

Thank you Don Kachur for setting up the Zoom meeting.

Secretary's Report: Minutes of the last meeting were accepted as published. *(Penny, Kathi)*

Treasurer's Report: Kathy Koehler gave a financial report. *(Lynne/Penny)*. A copy of the full report is available by request to the treasurer.

For 2023 dues, we had 1 member who did not rejoin and 1 deceased.

OLD BUSINESS

Police Dog project – AKC K-9 Cop

- Don and Penny are working with the Sheriff's Department McLean County Illinois. That agency has a K-9 unit with two K-9 officers and wants to add a 3rd dog.
- Plans are for the \$10,000 expense for the dog to be primarily secured through an application for a \$7,500 AKC cost-sharing grant. The remainder would come from PSSC, local Corn Belt Kennel Club (CBKC) and local community fund raising. Don and Penny are meeting with CBKC in April to discuss details.
- Vote was taken and approved for PSSC to initially contribute \$1,000 from our treasury. (Don/Kathy)
- If you have ideas or examples of community fundraising ideas, please contact Don dskachu@ilstu.edu or Penny duffPnB@aol.com.

PSSC website

- Don Farage is our webmaster and is updating our website.
- If you have news, brags, photos, etc, please send to Don, faragehome@gmail.com.

NEW BUSINESS

Memorial Weekend May 26-29

- PSSC specialty show on Sunday May 28 will be dedicated to long-time PSSC member Caren Rohlfing, who is recently deceased.
- Reserved parking at the show will all be done, and paid for, online this year.
- AKC Fast CAT will be held on the show grounds on Saturday and Sunday, May 27 and 28.

May Banquet

- PSSC annual banquet is Sunday evening, May 28.
- Barry Conder has reserved the Bloomington VFW banquet room, same as we have used in past years. The fee to PSSC is \$100.
- Also are plans to hold the annual raffle and silent auction.

Announcements and Brags

- Marsha, Kathi D. and Lynne announced recent competitions and wins with their dogs. Congratulations!

Adjournment

- Meeting adjourned 7:05 p.m.
- Next meeting plans to be announced.

Submitted by Lynne Conder, PSSC Secretary

Mark your calendar. . .

Our weekend of shows is **May 26 – May 29**.

Here is a little information about the shows:

BaRay Event Services will be the Superintendent again this year.

Their web site is:

<https://barayevents.com/>

These shows close Wednesday May 10.

The shows will be at the Interstate Center in Bloomington, Illinois.



JUDGING PANEL TAKEN FROM THE AKC WEBSITE. (BREED JUDGE = STANDARD SCHNAUZERS /

Group Judge = Working Group / NOHS Group Judge = NOHS Working Group)

Friday May 26, 2023 – Illinois Valley Kennel Club of Peoria, Inc.

Breed Judge	Mr. Alfred J. Ferruggiaro	(from Maryland)
Group Judge	Mr. John S. Lucas	(from Texas)
NOHS Group Judge	Mrs. Chris Ann Moore	(from Arkansas)
BIS Judge	Mrs. Diana L. Skibinski	(from Indiana)
NOHS BIS Judge	Mr. Alfred J. Ferruggiaro	(from Maryland)

Saturday May 27, 2023 – Corn Belt Kennel Club

Breed Judge	Mrs. Shilon L. Bedford	(from Minnesota)
Group Judge	Mrs. Shilon L. Bedford	(from Minnesota)
NOHS Group Judge	Mr. Alfred J. Ferruggiaro	(from Maryland)
BIS Judge	Ms. Dawn Hitchcock	(from South Carolina)
NOHS BIS Judge	John P. Wade	(from Nevada)

Sunday May 28, 2023 – Illinois Valley Kennel Club of Peoria, Inc. & Prairieland Standard Schnauzer Club local specialty

Breed Judge	John P. Wade	(from Nevada)
Sweepstakes	?	
Group Judge	John P. Wade	(from Nevada)
NOHS Group Judge	Julie Felten	(from Illinois)
BIS Judge	Mr. Albert Ferruggiaro	(from Maryland)
NOHS BIS Judge	David Fitzpatrick	(from Pennsylvania)

Monday May 29, 2023 – Corn Belt Kennel Club

Breed Judge	Ms. Marie Ann Falconer	(from Tennessee)
Group Judge	Ms. Marie Ann Falconer	(from Tennessee)
NOHS Group Judge	Mrs. Kathleen V. Carter	(from Colorado)
BIS Judge	Mrs. Kathleen V. Carter	(from Colorado)
NOHS BIS Judge	Mr. Jon Titus Steele	(Michigan)

**AS I WATCHED THE DOG
CHASING HIS TAIL,
I THOUGHT DOGS ARE
EASILY AMUSED.
THEN I REALIZED I WAS
WATCHING THE DOG CHASE
HIS TAIL.**

**WHAT HAPPENS 15 MINUTES
AFTER PETTING A DOG**



**Blood pressure
drops 10%**

**Relaxation chemical
(serotonin) rises**

**Bad mood chemical
(cortisol) lowers**

Reduced anxiety

**Depression fighting
chemical (dopamine)
increases**

PetRegale.com

Thank you Don Kachur for submitting this article. . .

Why Does My Dog Have to Sniff Every Blade of Grass Before Going Potty?

By Lissa Bryan



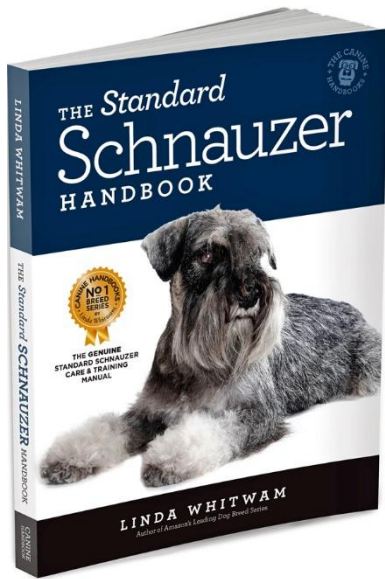
It's annoying, I know, but imagine it like this... You never get to use the internet. But when you go into the bathroom, there's an iPad on the counter. You grab it and quickly check your email, the news, your sports teams' scores —

There's a knock at the door and someone asks if you'll be finished soon. You have an instant message to reply to, so you type quickly. And there's a story in the news you really want to read — The person knocks on the door again, asking you to hurry. You reluctantly put down the iPad and finish answering nature's call.

Your dog's main connection to the "news" of his world is smell. He can't see what's going on in the house and anything he hears from outdoors is muffled, but once he's outside, he can smell every creature that's been in the yard. Your dog is gleaning an incredible amount of information from what he smells. If another dog has been there, it's believed he can detect information about the dog's age, health, and fertility from its urine. He can smell the feet of every human who's walked over the grass in the last couple of days. Rabbits, birds... possibly even insects.

So, of course, he's fascinated as soon as he gets out there and starts encountering all of these "stories" of what's been going on in the world. He turns and sniffs and walks around, checking each one he encounters, and then leaves a scent mark of his own.

I confess, I too am muttering "Hurry up!" to my dog as I glare at the early morning sunshine or shiver in the winter chill. But I also try to be understanding at his excitement and eagerness to explore his world as much as he can on our short jaunts.



The Standard Schnauzer Handbook is Out!

A huge thank you to Beth Railton, Lefenix Schnauzers, Andrew and Gaynor Ray, Minniroom Schnauzers and all the enthusiastic owners that contributed to the new Standard Schnauzer Handbook.

This is a fantastic breed with the right owners and I'm not sure why less than 200 are registered in the UK every year, and not many in the US.

The Standard Schnauzer Handbook has just been published - and is discounted until March 1st.

BLACK and WHITE Edition: <https://www.amazon.co.uk/dp/B0BTBPZ9S7>

FULL COLOUR Edition: <https://www.amazon.com/dp/B0BT3P5JRS/>

This 254-page manual is the most detailed and up-to-date Standard Schnauzer book on the market.

Schnauzer specialist Linda Whitwam has teamed up with leading breeders, professional dog trainer Lisa Cole, holistic veterinarian Sara Skiwski, and professional groomer and Standard breeder Beth Railton.

They are joined by nine owners who share their personal experiences of living with and training the Standard Schnauzer.

There's 78 pages on Training, Socialising and Understanding Schnauzer Behaviour. This is Standard Schnauzer 101 and the only book you'll ever need from puppyhood to old age.

Topics include: Choosing a Healthy Puppy with a Good Temperament, Bringing Puppy Home, Exercise, Socialisation Techniques, A-Z on Schnauzer Health, Allergies, Spaying and Neutering, Diet, Grooming, Rescue, and Caring for Older Schnauzers.

Editor's note: This book is written in England. I am not endorsing or recommending. . .just passing on a book that some might be interested in.



G R E A T B I G H A P P Y B I R T H D A Y W I S H E S g o o u t t o



Happy Birthday wishes to:

Ron Lombardi – March 5
John Pazereskis – March 22
Diane Barber – March 23
Sharon Talga – March 25
Judy Houskeeper – March 26

Penny Duffee – April 6

If you failed to include your birthday with your renewal, please drop an email to Kathy Koehler KatonSS1@fontier.com so she can add you to the list.



SCHNAUZER TALES



This is your chance to share “tales” about your Schnauzer – show ring wins, performance wins and titles, or any other accomplishments or news that you want everyone to know about. Send e-mails (pictures welcome too!) to our editor, Kathi, himeldad@aol.com for the upcoming issues!! Remember to e-mail things as they happen. . .don't wait for the deadline and then forget. We love reading about your Schnauzers!

What have you been up to??????????



Kathi and Roy Dvorak write. . .

Party Party Party !!!

Lindy . . . GCH CH Himmlisch-Arjo's A Blast
From The Past NA NAJ OF FCAT3 ACT2
SWN RATCH CZ8P CGC TKE – SSCA
Leading Producer

celebrated her 9th Birthday on January 26th.

Arnold . . . GCH CH Himmlisch-Arjo's Time
Of My Life NA NAJ FCAT ACT2 ACT2J
SWN RATO DN CGC TKE

and

Rita . . . GCH CH Himmlisch-Arjo's All Time
High OA NAJ FCAT2 ACT2 ACT1J SWN
RATO CZ8B CGC TKE

celebrated their 5th Birthday on February 9th.



Marsha Landers writes. . .

Ana and Reese decided to attend our local shows here in Springfield last Oct 20-23. They insisted, saying they would be good and wanted to go see everyone. Three of the 4 days, Ana, Ch Katon's Here We Go Again v Morgenwald was BOB to finish her GCH. Way to go Ana!! We let Reese, Morgenwald's Raising a Ruckus v Katon get accustomed to the show site on Thursday. She handled it like a real trooper. Quite in the kennel and good with her meet and greets. Great for a 6 month old. She was entered Fri-Sun and went winners bitch 2 days. On Saturday she went BOB over Ana. Way to go Reese!! We received wonderful comments from the judges on her, so needless to say we were thrilled. She was so well behaved for her first shows but she still lives up to her name at home.



"Reese" Morgenwald's Raising a Ruckus v Katon BOB on Saturday



"Ana" Ch Katon's Here We Go Again v Morgenwald finished her GCH

On a whim I headed to Springfield Mo shows on Nov 10-12 with Reese. She went WB on Thursday and Saturday for 2 more points. No love on Friday at regular show. I put her in a B Match Friday night for fun. She did great winning the puppy working group and then won Best puppy in Match with all breed groups represented. So proud of our little Reese. It was a wonderful bonding weekend for Reese and I.



Stay Healthy. . . Stay Pawsitive

