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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 2021

- January 20, 2021
- April 21, 2021
- July 24 - tentative - (annual picnic)
- September 15, 2021
- November 20, 2021 (in conjunction with the Festival of Trees)



NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be Wednesday, September 15th. Watch your email for details. We are planning to meet in person, but as COVID is flaring up again we may need to go back to Zoom meeting.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Hi Everyone!

Hope your summer is going well. We were able to hold our summer meeting/picnic at Don and Diane Kachur's home. It was good to see everyone in person, but the one thing I did miss was getting to see our Zoom participants from far away. I guess you can't have it both ways. We had lots of good food, as always, and a long meeting.

The taffeta bags are assembled for the two specialties. Each person is getting a notepad, a pen, and a package of breakfast biscuits. Best of luck to all the members that are able to attend.

Have a safe rest of the summer!

Your president,
Connie Reidner



PSSC MEETING MINUTES 07/24/21

The Prairieland Standard Schnauzer Club met on Saturday, 7/24/21, 1:00 pm, for our annual summer "picnic" potluck and meeting. This was our 1st face-face meeting since September 2020. Thank you to Kachurs for hosting.

In attendance were Connie and Ron Reidner, Kathy Koehler, Penny Duffee, Gwen Kirman, Marsha Landers, Don and Diane Kachur, Lynne and Barry Conder. It was nice to meet with familiar faces again.

Secretary's Report: Minutes of the last meeting were accepted as published.
(Connie/Gwen)

Treasurer's Report: Kathy Koehler gave a financial report with details from the May show. (Ron/Marsha)

A copy of the full report is available by request to the treasurer.

OLD BUSINESS

Membership

- Don Kachur has assumed the Membership Chair responsibilities. This is a new position for PSSC. Don & Lynne met in June to swap membership files and discuss the flow of duties.
- Don sent 4 new member solicitation letters, along with a club application, to prospects who currently own Standard Schnauzers. Most live in or near the PSSC area. So far Don has received no responses.
- Changes to our membership application form were discussed. One change needed per our Bylaws is 2 sponsoring PSSC member signatures. Other suggested changes were for clarity and shortening length to remain at 2 pages.

SSCA Rescue

- PSSC sent a letter to Kara Maytag in May requesting SSCA Board review of a recent SSCA rescue, about which we were initially contacted. We had questions/concerns if appropriate procedures and policies were followed.
- Our request was brought up at the July SSCA Board meeting. SSCA Board members will review several aspects of the rescue program to see if any recommendations or changes are needed.

NEW BUSINESS

Welcome Bags

- PSSC was asked by the Virginia club if we wanted to make a donation to the August National Specialty welcome bags. Due to time constraints, PSSC Board approved this expense prior to our July meeting. Penny Duffee will deliver the Virginia bags in person to avoid shipping cost.
- Since the California specialty is in October, our Board approved making enough bags for that specialty also. The PSSC May 2022 show is our 20th anniversary. Bags for that show will be done at the same time as well.
- Total number of bags for all 3 events is 300. Not all final costs were known yet at the July meeting, but estimated expense is approximately \$500.

Possible club sponsored activity

- The Board and members have been thinking about a new club sponsored activity to replace Barn Hunt.
- Penny Duffee suggested we look into Fast CAT, which stands for Coursing Ability Test. It is an electronically timed 100-yard dash where dogs run one at a time chasing a lure. It is usually a 1 day trial.
- Some PSSC members participated in the Fast CAT trial held at the May show, plus recently at other area venues. The May show competition was put on by the Whippet Club in northern Illinois.
- A local trial could be put on by a licensed organizer that provides all equipment, plus a trial secretary. This would eliminate need for PSSC to purchase, store, and maintain

necessary trial apparatus or gear. The sponsoring club provides some manpower/volunteers, plus any ribbons. Profits are shared with the sponsoring club. This could possibly be part of the May 2022 show activities.

- Motion made, passed for Penny to further investigate details. (Lynne/Kathy)

Announcements and Brags

- Marsha reported 2 recent wins, a 4 point major and Winners Bitch, with her dog Anna; Gwen told us her Ace took Breed 2 days over 4th of July and also participated in Fast CAT.
- We were reminded to send in our 2024 specialty judge nominations.
- Meeting adjourned at 4:15 p.m. (Lynne/Don)
- Next meeting plans to be announced in newsletter.

Submitted by Lynne Conder, PSSC Secretary

AKC Reunite Pet ID Card and Backup Plan

Make sure your BestPetEver's most important information, like its microchip ID number, is within reach at all times with our new **Help My Pet ID Card!** Not only can this ID Card help to prove ownership, it also offers so much more!

If you become ill or injured, your Pet ID Card also alerts first responders to call AKC Reunite so we can initiate **your Backup Plan** — to help ensure your pet is not left in a situation without the care it needs! Plus, you will receive three emergency key fobs to share with other members of your household!

Keep your pet's information safe and their care uninterrupted with the AKC Reunite Pet ID Card and Backup Plan!

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Here is a link for further information:

https://www.akcreunite.org/backupplan/?utm_source=AKC+Reunite%3A+Pet+Owners&utm_campaign=aa2707adb9-B2C+BestPetEver+June+2021&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_3819988937-aa2707adb9-87803061&goal=0_3819988937-aa2707adb9-87803061&mc_cid=aa2707adb9&mc_eid=15f27d15d2

Don Kachur came across the article below in one of his e-mails. As advocates of our breed, many of us are always being asked training questions. This short article might help us stress the importance of not hitting a dog to people with training inquiries.

What should you never do to your dog?

I normally do not answer personal questions, but in this case I think that the question is using the impersonal “you” as in, ‘What should someone or anyone never do to a dog, so I will answer.

What a human should NEVER, EVER do is to strike a dog with a hand, foot or object. Dogs cannot understand this and it has no positive impact on their behavior.

And yet, people do it all the time.

I cannot tell you how many times I have seen dogs ruined by this type of behavior, so many times I cannot even count.

There is no hitting in the dog world. In the dog world, dogs give clear signals when boundaries have been violated. This usually starts with a look, then a lip curl, a tail signal, a hackle raise, then a growl, a bark, and if the offender still doesn’t get the message, a show of teeth.

If all this fails, then and only then, a fight may break out. But because all this may happen in only a few seconds, most humans are completely unaware of it. It takes lifelong study and education to be aware of these dog signals.

And because human dog owners are often unaware, untrained and uneducated, they look for a simple, easy and immediate solution to dog behavior. That solution is often seen as hitting the dog, same as hitting a child. To the person doing the hitting, the results are immediate, or so it may seem.

It seems to stop the unwanted behavior and get the attention of the dog (or the child), right away. But what are the long term results?

Dogs who are hit for having potty accidents in the house will hide to go, leaving a mess for you to find later. The message that the dog gets from being hit is that they must hide that act, not that they must go outside. And this can have lifelong results!

Hitting a dog can result in the dog either becoming shy or aggressive. Shyness and aggressiveness are both sides of the same coin: Fear of people.

The dog has no choice but to defend itself, the dog is an animal after all. As an animal, the dog cannot explain to the human that being hit results in pain, confusion, fear, and lack of trust. And since the human is far more intelligent than the dog, (supposedly), the human should know this already.

Never, ever, hit, punch, kick or in any way strike a dog!

Fearful, shy, abused dogs.



Happy, well treated dogs.



PSSC Supports the 2 SSCA National Specialties

The 2021 SSCA National specialty committee (Virginia) approached the local specialty clubs, requesting donations for the Welcome Bags. PSSC voted to support both the August (2021) National and the October (postponed 2020) National in California. We purchased red/white/blue pens with our club name, notepads with our club logo and Belvita snack bars. . . and multicolor organza bags to hold these items. Connie Reidner has put them all together. Penny Duffee, Kathy Koehler and Gwen Kirman will be transporting them to the specialties on behalf of PSSC.





to Don and Diane Kachur for hosting our annual summer "picnic" potluck and meeting!!!

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 go out to



*No birthdays in the months of
September and October.*

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???????????

Marsha Landers writes. . .

We attended the Waterloo Kennel Club dog show June 26-27 in Waverly, Iowa. Anna received a 4 point major on both Saturday and Sunday. The rain didn't stop us!

We had a wonderful time and some great vendor food. Thanks Jon and Suzanne for inviting us.



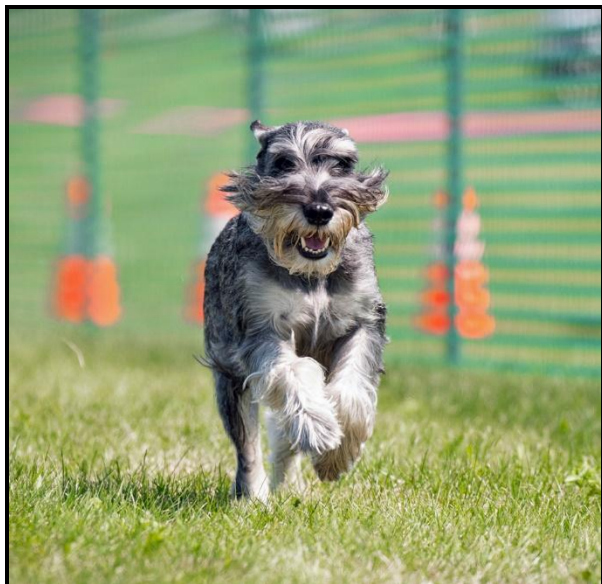
Penny Duffee writes. . .

After months of quarantine Kathy Koehler and Penny Duffee (along with Gwen Kirman) celebrated the Fourth of July at dog shows in Wisconsin. (See Gwen's note below about Ace's wins). While we had watched a couple of FastCAT runs at the local shows weekend, we had never participated in the sport. We entered Elin, Roar-E and Hat-E just to see what they would do (no previous training – for either dogs or handlers of course!). Elin and Roar-E ran well the first time but they seemed disappointed to find just a white plastic bag at the end . . . and about half way through their second runs they decided to explore other more interesting sights (like the lure-master on the sidelines). However, Hat-E really got into chasing that bag! She turned in some nice times for her first attempts in spite of the heat! She is within a few points of getting her first title.

We all had a great time and plan to finish Hat-E's title – and keep going for the next level. We will also work with the rest of the gang and hope they, too, will find it more interesting and fun!

Gwen Kirman writes. . .

GCH CH Katon's Flying Tiger V Morgenwald
aka: **Ace**



Over 4th of July weekend Kathy, Penny and I went to the Kettle Moraine Dog Show in Wisconsin. I entered Ace in Fast-Cat (no training) and he Qualified! Good Boy Ace!

At some point I hurt my back. Penny took Ace in the breed ring for me. They won both Saturday and Sunday. . .

Saturday going on to Group 4 and Sunday making the cut in the group.



Kathi and Roy Dvorak write. . .

Arnold . . . CH Himmlisch-Arjo's Time Of My Life DCAT ACT2 ACT1J RATO CGC TKE

. . . earned his DCAT title at Front Range Scent Work Club FCAT event on July 25th. The club did personalized titling rosettes which were extra special!

On August 7 and 8th Arnold gave dock diving a try at Jump The Summit. He earned three qualifying jumps (out of five attempts) at the NADD Diving Dog Trial toward his Dock Novice title! Hopefully we'll have the girls "diving" next year too.



Merry. . . CH Himmlisch Love Makes The World Go Round MX MXJ MXP MJP2 TKI celebrated her 13th birthday on July 10th. . . what a celebration it was!





Rita . . . CH Himmlisch-Arjo's All Time High
NA DCAT ACT2 ACT1J RATO CGC TKE

. . . earned her Novice Agility (NA) title with a first placement at the Mountain States DTC Trial on June 19th.

On July 22nd Rita earned her DCAT title at Front Range Scent Work Club FCAT event. The club did personalized titling rosettes which were extra special!



Lindy . . . GCH CH Himmlisch-Arjo's A Blast
From The Past NA NAJ OF DCAT ACT2
RATM CZ8S CGC TKE

. . . earned her DCAT title at Rocky
Mountain Hound Association FCAT event
on July 11th.



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