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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 2022

- January 19, 2022
- March 16, 2022
- May 29, 2022 (in conjunction with annual dinner at Specialty)
- July – TBD (Saturday) - (annual picnic)
- September 21, 2022
- November 19, 2022 - Saturday (Christmas dinner)



NEXT MEETING

A very brief PSSC meeting will be held May 29, 2022 at the banquet.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Hi Everyone:

I hope everyone is having a great Spring. This is my favorite time of the year. At our last meeting we discussed plans for our Memorial Day show. It is our anniversary show so you won't want to miss it. Our welcome bags will be filled with some great goodies. The AKC rep will be doing a seminar on how to use our newly purchased wicket. You won't want to miss that. Last, but not least we will have some fantastic, over-the-top prizes for our winners for both Sweeps and Regular classes.

Get outside and enjoy the fresh air with your fuzzy faces!

Your president,

Connie Reidner



PSSC MEETING MINUTES 03/06/2022

The Prairieland Standard Schnauzer Club met Wednesday March 16, 2022, 6:30 pm Central, via Zoom meeting. Thank you to Don Kachur for arranging the meeting.

We had a great attendance with 17 members: Connie Reidner, Kathy Koehler, Kathi Dvorak, Suzanne Garcia, Jon Rosenberg, Penny Duffee, Gwen Kirman, Sharon Talaga, Marsha Landers, Don and Diane Kachur, Lynne Conder, Darcie and Thomas Mair, Don and Alicia Farage, and Dorothy Pazereskis.

Secretary's Report: Minutes of the last meeting were accepted as published. (*Penny/Don K*)

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

May Specialty Show Prep and Plans

- This is PSSC's 20th anniversary show.
- Since AKC now allows a split Bred-By class into Bred-By Adult and Bred-By Puppy, those entries will be possible at the May show.
- Show entries close 2 weeks prior to the show.
- Reserved parking and inside grooming will be available.
- A work day to prepare the welcome bags is scheduled for Saturday April 30, 10:00, at Kachur's house.
- This year's show is dedicated to Roger Hartinger. Roger and his wife Paula were two of the PSSC founding members.
 - A dedication ad will be in the show catalog. Vote passed to spend \$50 maximum for ad. (*Marsha/Lynne*)
 - Paula is invited to the show; we are offering her 1 night's paid lodging.
- Our AKC representative will give a wicket measuring workshop on Saturday 5/28, after Breed judging. It will be for SSs only. PSSC ordered a wicket which is for our club use only.
- We will again have our annual banquet Sunday night 5/29, 6:00 p.m., at the Bloomington VFW.
 - Barry Conder has reserved the room free of charge for us.
 - A new caterer for the banquet was selected – local BBQ restaurant Bandanas. Advance reservation info will be in a future newsletter. Dinner cost is estimated around \$20. Selections will be narrowed down, but could be pork, chicken, or beef brisket, sauces and sides are included. Beverages and drinks are available at the VFW bar. Dinner service will be informal-casual with paper plates.
- A silent auction and raffle are planned. Please consider a dog or human item for donation. Proceeds go to PSSC.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:15 pm Central.

- The next meeting is a very short business meeting at the annual banquet on 5/29.

Submitted by Lynne Conder, PSSC Secretary

This year is our

20th ANNIVERSARY SPECIALTY.

We hope to have a good turn out to help us celebrate. Hard to believe that PSSC has existed for so long!! We have had a lot of good times along the way – and shared with many other SS fanciers from across the country!



The Heart of Illinois cluster will be May 27-30 at the McLean County fairgrounds, our usual location. The show superintendent is BaRay Event Services www.barayevents.com . The premium list is posted on their website. Entries close on Wednesday, May 11.

PSSC will support the entry on Friday and the judge will be Jon Cole.

Saturdays entry will be supported by Heartland SSC once again (PSSC is supporting a day in conjunction with their specialty in August). The judge will be Larry Mackai.

After the breed judging on Saturday we will hold a wicket seminar. Exact time & location will be announced that day. The AKC rep will discuss the measuring process, procedure for requesting a measurement and answer questions. Following the presentation participants will have the opportunity to use the wicket with their own dogs.

The Specialty will be on Sunday. The sweepstakes judge will be Kent Meyer and the breed judge will be David Kirkland. We have some special trophies this year . . . and hope everyone will enjoy them.

Our annual informal dinner will be Sunday evening at the VFW; thanks again to Barry Conder's connections. The raffle and silent auction will be a special part of the evening. We already know there are a couple of special things that will be available. Everyone who attends is encouraged to bring something. Every year our attendees come up with some really neat items. . . and we can't wait to see what arrives this year!

There will be a new caterer this year. The menu will be a choice of pulled pork, pulled chicken or beef brisket with a variety of BBQ sauces to add to the meat. Sides will include potato salad, cole slaw and baked beans. . . and Texas toast. The usual desert will be birthday cake to celebrate the many birthdays our members have right around the Specialty. Cost will be \$20 per person. Reservation forms and payment are due by Wednesday, May 11 – the show closing date.

Send reservations to:
Kathy Koehler
8 Chrisman Lane
Bloomington, IL 61704

See reservation form elsewhere in this newsletter. Please share with anyone who would like to attend but may not receive this newsletter.

The Monday show will be another PSSC supported entry. The judge will be Steve Hayden. We hope the breed judging will be fairly early so everyone can get on the road home.

Please plan to join us – even if you don't have a dog to show, come and visit with everyone!



PRAIRIELAND SSC ANNUAL SPECIALTY & DINNER

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SUNDAY, MAY 29 SPECIALTY

**Sweepstakes judge – Kent Meyer Breed Judge – David Kirkland
(Supported entries other 3 days) Superintendent: BaRay Event
Services**

SUNDAY EVENING 5/29 INFORMAL DINNER & RAFFLE

**Held at the VFW, about 10 minutes from show site. Same location as in the past.
Dinner approx 6 pm – definite time announced after judging times are posted.**

Menu - (New caterer this year) Choice of 2 meats: Beef brisket, Pulled chicken, or Pulled pork. Plus variety of BBQ sauces, Sides: potato salad, cole slaw and baked beans, Texas toast.

Dessert: Birthday cake to celebrate the many birthdays our members have around the Specialty.

COST \$20 per person - **RESERVATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN WEDNESDAY, MAY 11th (SHOW CLOSING DATE)**

Reservations must be confirmed with the caterer on May 11th . . . get them sent now!

Our Raffle and Silent Auction always have some great “goodies!” Please bring something for the raffle – either a doggie or people item.

Please share this information with anyone who would like to attend but may not receive this newsletter Look forward to seeing you all in May!!



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MAIL DINNER RESERVATIONS TO

Kathy Koehler

8 Chrisman Lane

Bloomington, IL 61704

Email Kathy at KatonSS1@frontier.com with any questions.

May 2022 ANNUAL SPECIALTY DINNER RESERVATION			
Select <u>choice of 2 meats</u> for each person	Beef Brisket	Pulled Chicken	Pulled Pork
Name			
Email			
2nd Name			
3rd Name			
4th Name			
Total number of dinners			
@ \$20 each	\$		
Total check enclosed	\$		
Checks payable to PSSC			

Thank you Don Kachur
for submitting this article. . .

When your dog is grinning at you is it a sign of affection or something else?



By: Kevin Wilfred Guerrero

Dogs don't naturally smile. The closest is that when happy they're excited, and tend to open-mouthed pant. . . which often looks like smiling (my previous dog very much looked like he was smiling when he did this, but not all dogs do).

Dogs are also smart and learn what we like. If they do what looks like a smile, and we cheer them and give them a treat - they learn that that action is rewarded. As such, they do it a lot. This isn't because they're smiling, but because they've learnt the behavior. This applies to other similar training methods. The dog doesn't learn why it's right or wrong to poo somewhere. It knows that if it poos outside the house, it gets a treat. So, it eventually learns to do it outside initially because it wants the treat, and it makes you happy - then later because making you happy gives it satisfaction, and it's accustomed to the behavior. Dogs don't understand why you're annoyed at things after the fact. Scold them as they pee in your house, they can learn you don't like that. If you come into the house 2 hours after they pee and scold at them, they don't know why you did it and are surprised that they're happy to see you, but you're strangely angry at them. They can learn to stay off the sofa until you call them up (if you do), or to go on it. But they don't really understand "you can be on the sofa unless we have guests" or similar conditional situations.

A dog's ears and tail are far better indicators of happiness. My dog has an under bite, and naturally looks like he's scowling. But he looks at me, and I baby-talk to him, and his face is a scowl - but his tail is in overdrive and a minute later he'll lurch at me and lick my face. When intrigued his ears go up like antenna. When sad they flop to the side. When happy they go back and tucked in. When angry, they stand up and alert.

The dangerous part is that many people - especially children - mistake a dog giving warning snarls as "smiling." Just yesterday my mum was playing with my dog and she thought he was smiling, and I told her to stop because he was giving her warning snarls - she hadn't noticed there was a tiny piece of dog treat near him, and whilst he's normally friendly this put him into "you're stealing my food!" mode - one of his territorial instincts. But I've seen him do this when a stranger is trying to approach him too fast, and I've had to warn them off even though they've said "oh but he's smiling!"

He's smiling at how he's going to remove your fingers if you touch him again...

So, be careful. Dogs don't naturally smile unless they're excited, and that (as well as when they're happy) is usually accompanied with tail wagging. If it's a "smile" without a tail wag - it's either trying to get a treat or do what it thinks you want, or warning you.

“Liver Soup” - Chicken Liver Dog Treats

Makes at least 1-2 qt bag full

Store treats refrigerated or frozen

1 lb RAW chicken livers, rinsed, drained

(Beef liver? I've not tried, but it might work.

Possibly need longer processing in blender.)

1 egg, beaten

½ cup water

2 Tb garlic granules

2 cups whole wheat flour



Preheat oven to 350 degrees.

Grease 9” x 11” cookie sheet with ½” lip.

Thoroughly rinse and drain chicken livers.

In a blender, process livers until a smooth, soupy consistency.

Pour ‘liver soup’ into a large mixing bowl.

Mix beaten egg and water. Pour into livers and stir.

Combine garlic granules with wheat flour. Pour into liver mixture.

Stir thoroughly. Dough will be thick.

Dump dough onto cookie sheet and spread to even thickness.

Bake 30 minutes.

Remove pan from oven and cool on a rack for about 10 minutes or cool enough to handle.

Cut into ½” squares. Kitchen scissors are faster than using a knife. For smaller pieces, sub-cut.

Spread pieces on cookie sheet; put back in oven to dry for 10 minutes.

Remove pan from oven and stir or flip pieces with spatula.

Put pan back in oven to dry for another 10 minutes.

Remove pan from oven and sit aside on a rack to completely cool.

Treats can be kept in the refrigerator for 3-4 days.

Caution: there is no preservative, so treats can mold if not refrigerated.

For longer storage, freeze treats. They thaw easily.

P.S. There’s a back story to these treats. For a long time I used Happy Howie solid meat roll. It was great for not crumbling and could be successfully cut into quite small pieces. I used it only for training. Sadly, that variety of Happy Howie is no longer available.

I found this liver recipe and it is a good substitute for Happy Howie.

However the first time I used it was at a nosework trial. Kody liked it so much that after the first bite, he wouldn’t leave my side! Moral of story? – always pretest new treats. *Lynne Conder*

My Privilege

*Every time I pick up the lead, it is my Privilege.
It is my Privilege this wonderful creature
has agreed to be my partner.*

*Regardless of the outcome of the interaction,
my dog tries hard to understand a sometimes complex,
confusing, and unnatural set of instructions.*

It is my Privilege that my dog is willing to try.

*Regardless of the outcome,
any errors rest on my shoulders.
I wasn't able to make my requests
clear enough for my partner.
It is my Privilege that my partner
is willing to try, and to forgive.*

*Regardless of the outcome of judging,
the dog I took into the ring is the same dog
I have the Privilege of taking home.*

Anonymous

A Little Humor from Don Kachur

So, I woke up and my Standard Schnauzer is laying on the back patio covered in dirt with a rabbit in his mouth. The rabbit's not bloody, just dirty. My neighbor's kids raise blue ribbon rabbits. I instantly knew it was one of theirs.

I took the rabbit away from my dog, rushed inside, and washed all the dirt off it before my neighbors could come home. It was stiff but I heard some animals play dead when they are afraid but I couldn't remember which ones. I took it and placed it back in one of the cages in their back yard then I ZOOMED back home. (Don't judge me)

Not 30 minutes later I hear my neighbors screaming so I go out and ask them what's wrong? They tell me their rabbit died three days ago and they buried it but now it's back in the cage.

Thank you Penny Duffee for submitting this article from
Purina Pro Plan DOG Update - Volume 20 Spring 2022

EVALUATING STEM-CELL THERAPY IN TREATING SUPRASPINATUS TENDINOPATHY

One of the most common sporting injuries in dogs is supraspinatus tendinopathy – an injury akin to a rotator cuff tear in people. Lameness in a front leg is the most common sign of a partial or complete tear of the tendon supporting the supraspinatus muscle in the shoulder. Repetitive activities such as agility, flyball, herding, and field trials involving outstretched forelimbs, quick turns, and jump-turn combinations put a dog at risk by causing stress to the shoulder muscle.

A challenging condition to diagnose, supraspinatus tendinopathy may lead to chronic lameness and pain due to the tearing of the tendon fibers and resulting inflammation. Untreated disease can cause mineralization and calcification of the tendon that ultimately reduces function of the joint and surrounding muscle tissue. Treatment with rest, nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drugs (NSAIDs) and physical therapy do not alleviate the condition long term. Surgery for chronic cases involves removing the calcification on the tendon.

Regenerative medicine using platelet-rich plasma (PRP), adipose stem cells (ASC) and stromal vascular fraction (SVF) provides alternative therapies for supraspinatus tendinopathy as well as other joint diseases. An investigation underway at The Ohio State University in collaboration with Virginia-Maryland College of Veterinary Medicine aims to learn the most effective regenerative medicine treatment for this type of tendon injury in dogs. Funded by the AKC Canine Health Foundation, the research is considered a landmark clinical trial as it is the first evidence-based study looking at these novel treatments for supraspinatus tendinopathy.

“We have found that PRP and stem-cell therapies accelerate and promote healing through tissue regeneration and reduced scarring,” says lead investigator Jennifer G. Barrett, DVM, PhD, DACV S, DACVSMR, the Theodora Ayer Randolph professor of equine surgery at Virginia-Maryland College of Veterinary Medicine. “Dogs become comfortable, and those with partial tears in the supraspinatus tendon tend to heal completely rather than to completely tear the tendon as often happens when dogs are not treated.”

Having followed dogs treated for this condition for many years retrospectively, Dr. Barrett has begun a collaboration with Nina R. Kieves, DVM, DACVS, DACVSMR, assistant professor of small-animal orthopedic surgery at The Ohio State University. Dr. Kieves performs the clinical assessment and treatments,

and Dr. Barrett provides the regenerative therapies. For the stem-cell procedure, Dr. Kieves provides a half-inch cube of adipose (fat) tissue – essentially the size of a sugar cube – and blood samples for extracting stem cells from dogs being treated for supraspinatus tendinopathy.

Dogs are randomly assigned to one of three treatment groups, each having 20 dogs. The treatment groups are described below:

- Stromal vascular fraction group, a fast-turnaround method in which roughly 10,000 stem cells are extracted from the adipose tissue and quickly returned for treatment.
- Stem cell with PRP group in which 1 to 5 million stem cells are produced to aid therapy. The PRP, which contains growth factors that aid healing, is extracted from a dog's own blood.
- Blind control group in which dogs receive blood serum injections. This group is eligible for regenerative medicine therapy following the completion of their progress evaluation.

“We hope that this research study will show which of two regenerative therapies is best for treating this difficult injury in dogs,” Dr. Barrett says. “We are happy that all dogs treated in the study will have access to stem-cell therapy at the conclusion of the trial if it proves to be most effective.”

G R E A T B I G HAPPY BIRTHDAY WISHES go out to



Happy Birthday wishes to:

Diane Kachur – May 7
Kathi Dvorak – May 9
Jeanne Greenwalt – May 10
Evelyn Hubbard – May 17
MarshaLanders – May 23
Kathy Koehler – May 25
Dorothy Pazereskis – May 26

Joe Landers – June 4
Larry Wallace – June 21

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. . .

Arnold completed his ACT2J (Jumpers) title on February 20th.

On April 1st he completed the requirements for his GCH at the Scottsbluff Kennel Club show in Mitchell, Nebraska AND brought home an Owner Handled Group 4 (from an entry of 12!)

Arnold's official name is now

GCH CH Himmlisch-Arjo's Time Of My Life
DCAT ACT2 ACT2J SWN RATO CGC TKE



Stay Healthy. . . Stay Pawsitive

