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“Art of the Schnauzer” Gets a New Face



MINIATURE SCHNAUZER



STANDARD SCHNAUZER



GIANT SCHNAUZER

The 2013 National Specialty being held at Purina Farms from May 8 through May 12 as part of the Combo Schnauzer Specialty will include participants from the Standard Schnauzer of America, Giant Schnauzer Club of America and the American Miniature Schnauzer Club. Artists from all three clubs can display and sell their art at a booth provided by the parent clubs. Please read the requirements.

General Rules governing participation in Art of the Schnauzer 2013

- The artist must be a member of the SSCA, GSCA or AMSC.
- All items must be the creation of that member or carry the member's artwork (example: wooden items, mugs, tiles, etc. with schnauzer images created by the member).
- ALL artwork must be of the schnauzer in some fashion.
- Display and sales are the sole responsibility of the artist or his/her designee.
- Someone must be present at the display during display hours.
- All displays must be free-standing, sturdy and fit within the display area. No tables will be furnished. If you use a table, it must fit within the borders of your display area. Tentative size of display area is 4' x 4'.
- Setup and breakdown are the member's responsibility, as well as removal of any wrappings, display parts, or debris from the site.
- Each artist is required to donate a piece of their work to their respective club's auction/ raffle. It must have a minimum value \$25 but you are encouraged to be more generous if you wish. This is in lieu of a display fee.

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Specialty—Kim Studley
October 20, 2012



News- On, For, About our Members



Alameda
County Fair



Next Membership Meeting will be held on Friday, October 19th at the Pleasanton Fairgrounds. Prior to the meeting, we'll be setting up for Saturday's Specialty. **Please plan to join us!**

THIS IS A GREAT OPPORTUNITY FOR NEW MEMBERS TO COME OUT. This event counts towards your required two SSCNC events to become full members. We vote on new members at this meeting and again in December at the annual meeting. Just a reminder that the two events must be completed within one year of your application date or the application process will have to be started anew.

Membership: Michael and Janis Conway of Ceres own "Zin" (Hanlon's ELHeyZin).

Their interests include Travel, exercise, gardening and reading. Zin joins two petcats, MuShoo, an indoor cat and Boots, who prefers the outdoors!

Sponsored by **Lonnie and Kim Studley**

Congratulations to Joyce Mullan and "Lacey"

(Castlewood's Lady Guinevere) for winning BOB Best Puppy at Mensona Kennel Club on August 25th and the following day earning points taking Best of Winners.



Upcoming Schnauzer Events:

SSCNC Specialty Saturday October 20, 2012.

SSCNC Holiday Luncheon is Sunday, December 9, 2012 at the Hilton Hotel in Pleasanton. This is our annual meeting where we elect the 2013 Executive Board and vote for our Judges, so plan to attend. Detailed information will be sent out as the event approaches.

Introduction to K-9 Nosework

Begins September 25 (Tuesday) 6-7:30pm for 6 weeks in Livermore.

(wendy@Taleatail.com)

Forever Home



Elvis now Hugo has found a **forever** home with Sarah, pictured on the left after being fostered with loving care by Geri (on right) and her mini, Percy.



PetRescuers by HomeAgain

HomeAgain Pet Rescuers app, best of breed in **iPhone!** Between 6 to 8 million pets enter animal shelters in the U.S. each year, including many lost family pets. Be a hero and download the latest version of **PetRescuers app** by HomeAgain® and you can help keep a lookout for lost pets in your area and recently found ones who have been reunited with their families. You can further expand your search beyond posting signs in your neighborhood by sharing lost pet alerts via Facebook, Twitter and email with ease. As a PetRescuer you will have access to great articles and receive notifications about lost HomeAgain® pets. There is an **app** for an **Android**, too!



Canine Good Citizen® Becomes a Title!

As of January 1, 2013, Canine Good Citizen® will become an official AKC title that can appear on the title records of dogs registered or listed with AKC. Dog owners may list the suffix, "CGC" after the dog's name.

Since the program began in 1989, CGC has been considered an "award," meaning that it has not been listed on a dog's title record.

As a result of frequent requests for AKC to include CGC as a title, this exciting change will begin January 1, 2013.

How do I get the CGC Title for my Dog?

As of January 2013, when your dog passes the CGC test, you will be given an option on the CGC form.

There will be a grandfathering procedure for the new title. Owners of dogs who are on record as having already earned the CGC after January 1, 2001 will be able to apply to have the CGC listed on the dog's title record. WE WILL NOT START THIS PROCESS UNTIL JANUARY 2013. Watch the CGC web page for updates. <http://www.akc.org/events/cgc/index.cfm>



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Due to the limited space, artists will be taken on a first come, first served basis till space is filled. Only completed forms will be assigned space. If the form has to be returned, you may not make the cut for space.

A photo of the work to be displayed or a photo representative of your type of art must be submitted with your application.

EMAIL: The form can be attached to an email, along with a photo. The form will appear on the SSCA website and can be copied from there to an email. Remember to send a photo with a representation of your work along with the application to ngrizzi@charter.net

MAIL: Send the form and photo via USPS to Nancy Grizzi, 3643 Bay Pointe Dr., Sherrills Ford, NC 28673
As information becomes available, it will be emailed to applicants and updated at the website and in our publications. If you are considering this event, send your application in without delay as space is limited.

APPLICATION TO DISPLAY AT "ART OF THE SCHNAUZER"

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY:

NAME:
ADDRESS:

I agree to the General Rules (signature)

City/State/Zip
EMAIL:

PHONE:

TYPE OF ART TO BE DISPLAYED (REMEMBER TO INCLUDE A PHOTO):

PLEASE EMAIL OR SNAIL MAIL TO: Nancy Grizzi, 3643 Bay Pointe Dr., Sherrills Ford, NC 28673

Phone: 704 489-6841

Email: ngrizzi@charter.net



Talking to Your Veterinarian



Establishing a relationship with a veterinarian and bringing your pet in for annual check-ups not only makes for a healthier pet – it also gives you someone to depend upon in an emergency if your pet becomes ill or injured.

Prior to your pet's regular check-up, consider what you want to discuss ahead of time. Jotting down a list and bringing it to the appointment can help you to remember all the topics you want to cover.

Exam Basics

Weight. The first thing your veterinarian will do is to weigh your pet, noting any major variation from the last visit. This is a good time to tell the doctor what the pet's diet consists of and ask if she/he has any recommendations.

Heart. Your veterinarian listens to your pet's heart and lungs through a stethoscope to detect abnormalities.

Eyes & Ears. Clear eyes and clean ears are signs of a healthy pet. When dogs and cats get older, problems can emerge. If your pet's ears are smelly, he scratches them to excess or shakes his head as if he's trying to clear it, ask the veterinarian what you can do at home to offer relief and treat the condition.

Teeth. Are your pet's choppers white and his breath fresh? If the sweetness of puppy breath is a distant memory, decay may be causing problems. Ask the veterinarian to demonstrate how to brush the teeth, or if you need to make an appointment to have them professionally scaled and cleaned.

Vaccinations. Normally your veterinarian will review your pet's record to ensure his shots are up to date. If they are, does he have the proper tags? This is also a good time to confirm that your pet has been microchipped.



Your Observations

You know your pet better than anyone. At the exam, also bring up anything you've noticed out of the ordinary. This can include:

Dermatology. Lumps and bumps under your pet's skin.

Feet. Note the condition of your pet's paws and pads. Does he limp?

Aging. Is your pet slowing down? The vet ought to check for signs of arthritis or musculoskeletal disease.

Healthy elimination. Is your pet constipated or does he suffer from loose stools or diarrhea? Do you notice him dragging his bottom after a bowel movement? Be sure to tell the veterinarian if your dog is drinking or urinating more than usual.

Training and temperament. Has your pet started having "accidents" inside the house? Have there been any changes in behavior?

Before Your Leave the Vet

- Are there any other questions you need answered? This is the time.
- Ask the doctor if you need to be on the lookout for common problems affecting your pet's specific breed or age. Many veterinarians will suggest older pets (7+ years old) get annual blood work for early indications of kidney and liver disease, diabetes and more.



2013 SSCNC Board Nominations



The 2013 Nominating Committee has met pursuant to the SSCNC Bylaws and Constitution Article IV, Section IV and has received from all Nominees their verbal acceptance to serve as Officers/Directors pursuant to Article III.

The nominees are in good standing with the AKC and have agreed to perform the duties associated with the position to which they are nominated.

The following slate is for the general membership's consideration as their 2013 Standard Schnauzer Club of Northern California Officers / Directors.

The 2013 SSCNC Nominating Committee is presenting the following slate to the Membership:

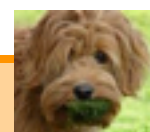
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 Secretary: Mary Bugglin
 Treasurer: John Michelmore
 Member-at-Large: Rhonda Davis
 Member-at-Large: Kim Studley



Many thanks to the Nominating Committee Members: Paul Davis, Kim Studley and Mary Bugglin



Why Does My Dog Eat Grass?



We think dogs eat grass for a variety of reasons. Some dogs only eat grass when they have an upset stomach and the grass makes them feel better or helps them to throw up. Other dogs **like** the taste of fresh grass and graze on it regularly. Other theories are that grazing is an ancestral behavior, that dogs have a nutritional deficiency and yearn for fresh greens, or that dogs eat grass out of boredom. If your dog is vomiting and acting sick while eating grass I recommend you take him or her to see your veterinarian. Otherwise eating grass is a normal dog behavior. Avoid using fertilizers or pesticides on your grass if your dog is a grazer.

Thanks to Dr. Kristel Weaver at Bishop Ranch Vets.



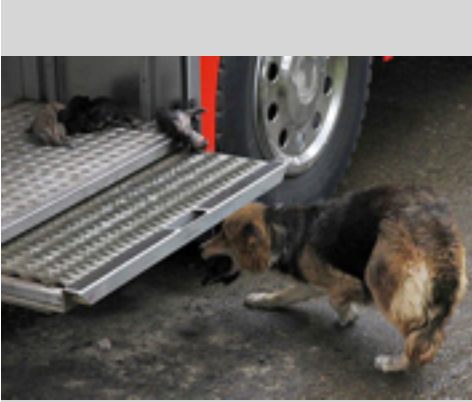
An Heroic Mom!

During an early morning response to a house fire in Santa Rose de Temuco, Chile , firefighters witnessed the unbelievable. A mother dog risked her life to save her puppies from the fire surrounding the burning house, which started because of a car bomb.

The mother dog, Amanda, raced back and forth between the house, putting her 10 day old puppies in the safest place she could find - a firetruck!

She didn't stop racing back into the fire until all of her puppies were safely away from the fire. The firemen on scene could not believe their eyes.

After rescuing all of her pups from the blaze, Amanda sat down next to them, protecting them with her body. Onlookers called an emergency veterinary service and she and her pups were rushed to the hospital. Aside from one puppy being treated for serious burns, the entire family is alive and well - thanks to the bravery of Amanda! What an heroic mother!



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Amazing Autumn!

**Celebrating 69 years of
providing quality
Education, and guidance
for Responsible
Ownership of the
Standard Schnauzer**

We are on the Web at
<http://www.stdschnauzer.com>

Four litters arrived in our club in 2012!

"It's impossible to keep a
straight face in the presence of
one or more puppies." - Unknown

