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## Grand Champion

The American Kennel Club's latest Conformation title is Grand Champion. Effective May 2010, dogs competing in the Best of Breed competition have the opportunity to earn points towards this newest title.

Additionally, AKC recently announced that the first ten dogs in each breed to earn this Grand Champion title would also receive a special blue enamel AKC Medallion that would be sent to the owners.

Two of the SSCNC Standards have already qualified for their Grand Champion titles — Michael & Mary Bugglin's "Bayley" and Don & Mary Lou Just and Liz and Harv Mohrenweiser's "Raz".

So how does a dog go about becoming a Grand Champion (GCh)?

All Champions of Record entered in the Best of Breed/Variety competition will be eligible to compete for Grand Championship points. There is no additional entry fee.

Grand Championship points are awarded, at the judge's discretion, to the following placements:

Best of Breed/Variety

Best of Opposite Sex

Select Dog and

Select Bitch

The Select Dog and Select Bitch are Champions that were recognized as the top quality of their sex after BOB and BOS have been awarded.

Grand Championship points are calculated using the same AKC Point Schedule as is used for Championship points.. For Division Nine (which is California) That means

Dogs. 1pt = 2 entries 2pt = 3 entries 3pt = 4 entries 4pts = 6 entries 5pts = 10 entries , For Bitches the numbers would be 2 4 6 9 & 15 in the 1-5 pts available.

Champions of Record including champions that are non-regular class winners (i.e. Veterans Class Winners) or dogs that have been "moved up" to Best of Breed competition are the only dogs eligible for Grand Championship points.

### Grand Championship points may be awarded to eligible dogs as follows:

Best of Breed – All dogs of both sexes in the breed or variety exhibited in the regular classes and Best of Breed competition will be counted

Best of Opposite Sex to Best of Breed – All dogs of the **same sex in the breed** and Best of Breed competition will be counted

Select Dog – The total number of dogs in the breed defeated in the regular classes and BOB competition will be counted. (Less 2 // 1 for BOB and 1 for BOS)

Select Bitch – The total number of bitches in the regular classes and BOB competition will be counted.

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## News — On, For, or About our Members

### New Web Site Design

SSCNC's redesigned web site is up and running so have a look around and let us know what you think and what you'd like to see added, changed, amended? Spot the Typos and let us know. It is temporarily housed on a Server under <http://www.ssca2010national.com/sscnc/index.htm> so have a visit. Our old web site is still up also until we have all the kinks worked out of the new one.

**Next Membership Meeting** will be held in conjunction with the August 29th Grooming Day in Modesto during the lunch break. *Please see the additional Flyer for Grooming Day details.*

**Congratulations** to the SSCNC Members who showed at the So-Cal Standard Schnauzer Club Specialty the weekend of July 9th-11th. As always, a good time was had by all and the Nor-Cal crowd brought home their share of the bounty that was available for the taking.

"T-man" (Chateau Palos Treaty of Goar Rhein) owned by the Justs and the Mohrenweisers went **Best In Sweeps**

**Winner's Bitch** went to "Bebe" (Keygolde Blue Bayou) owned by Sharon McLaughlin

**Reserve Winners Dog** went to "Gable" (Jordan Gable of Windtree) owned by Mary Ann Lambert and Sunny Lambert

**Res Winners Bitch** went to "Tenaya" (Keygolde Moonlight on the Lake) owned by Christine Dunn and Kevin McHugh

**Best Opposite Sex** went to "Raz" (GCh Goar Rhein Chateau Palos Shiraz) owned by Don & Mary Lou Just and Harv & Liz Mohrenweiser

**Select Dog** went to "Max" (Ch. Steinhaus Maxim Courage) owned by Don & Dorla Morse

**Select Bitch** went to "Brie" (Ch. Blackhawk Brie de Provence) owned by Steven & Joyce Gilpin

*I know there were some Awards of Merit but do not have that info so my apologies if I missed a club member's good work.*

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**Lifetime Member, Mary Dunn**, is in the hospital back east and we are wishing her a speedy recovery and will keep everyone in the loop as to her progress. Long after Mary left handling and showing her own dogs to Westminster winning status, Mary has remained active and a vital member and supporter of SSCNC—holding many Board positions and

for years she provided the Ham as her contribution to at our Holiday lunch when it was hosted in a members' home. Additionally she has served as the Northern California Breeder Referral contact for the National Club for years and has been active in Rescue and re-homing of our beloved breed — her "Eric" was a rescue tied to a lamp post in the central valley.

### New Applicants

**Bob and Carol MacRae** of Sacramento own "Emma" (Storyhaven's Anak Krakatau) along with two mini schnauzers. They have attended our May Fun Day and some past club events. They enjoy RV-g, car shows and dog shows. Sponsored By Mark Allen and Don Dalton

**Anne Kassebaum** of Danville owns "Emma" (Wunderkind's Emma Thompson). The Kassebaum home includes a 15 yr old Std. Schnauzer, a 10 yr old Std. Poodle and 13 year old son. They enjoy boating, hiking and cooking. They are familiar with the standard schnauzer breed and enjoy their temperament and personalities. Sponsored by Mark Allen and Don Dalton

## K9 NOSE WORK .... *The Latest in Suburban Dog Sports*

**K9 Nose Work** is the specific sport created and sanctioned by the National Association of Canine Scent Work (NACSW). This sport was inspired by the training methodology of detection K9s and borrows elements of that training for recreation. The goal is to teach the dog to use its nose to locate a target scent or odor.

The foundation is the dog's natural instincts to hunt and be rewarded with food or toys. Taking the dogs natural scent capabilities, the sport provides fun as well as mental and physical challenges for the dog.

The sport is designed for every size and type of dog—from puppies to geriatric. Training provides confidence to the shy or reactive dog in a safe learning environment. Owners with no training skills to owners with advanced and multiple titles on their dogs, start out as equals in the sport and the human learns to trust their dog's lead in this venue.

One of the many challenges faced by working K9s and their handlers is encountering new environments and scenarios daily. These challenges are reflected in the K9 Nose Work sport through differing search environments and requirements of each trial location.

Additionally, as the dog progressing in their training—they are exposed to three different scents that will be utilized in the Trials. These scents are Birch, Anise and Cloves.

Initial training begins with teaching the dog to locate FOOD in an open cardboard box in a controlled environ-

ment. As the class progresses, the dog learns to locate less food among more boxes and in a larger environment. Height is introduced as well as various surfaces and hiding containers, such as baskets or pylons. Tubes, handbags or a step stool.

Classes include the Intro to Nose Work, Introduction to Odor, Continuing Nose Work, Advanced Nose work. Each session advances the dogs skills and the owner's ability to recognize the subtle body language changes of their dog as they are narrowing down the scent's location.

Before any trial can be entered, the dog must pass an Odor Recognition Test (ORT) on the scent for the trial level they wish to enter. ORT consists of 12 to 20 boxes set up in a pattern of one or two rows, depending on space limitations and set a distance of 48" apart from box edge to box edge. The ORT is to be conducted on leash and no distractions may be included. One of the boxes will be the 'target box' which will contain the target odor being tested. All of the other boxes should be reasonably new, and uncontaminated by odor, food, or other distracting smells. Every box should be vented on the top in some way by a large hole or multiple air holes. The target box should contain a small (2 oz approx), vented container of scented cotton swabs that is not visible to the handler. Boxes should not exceed 10" in height but may otherwise be any combination of dimensions. The target box shall remain in the same place for all of the dogs participating in that ORT, except for handlers running a second dog

The ORT for Nose Work I Trial work requires recognition of the Birch scent and a discernable "alert" that the dog uses (Sit, Bark, Down). The ORT is performed in this standard manner and the dog has three minutes to correctly identify the scented box and respond.

An ORT must be passed for the Nose work II trial level involving Anise and Birch scent and again for the Nose work III Trial level including Birch, Anise and Clover scents in the ORT.

### Trial Elements

Trials are very uniformed in their venues : Box Work, Area Search, Room Search and Vehicle Search and various only on the scent(s) used and hide criteria for heights and number of scents in any given venue. The sport is so new, that to date, no handler-dog team has successfully completed a Nose work III Title.

Each title is based on a perfect score of 100 points. The maximum time for each element is generally not more than five minutes.

**NW1** (Nose Work 1): requires one qualifying trial of 90 points minimum score. Only odor #1, Birch, will be included for this title

**NW2** (Nose Work 2) requires one qualifying trial of 95 points minimum score. Two odors: (Birch, Anise); will be included for this title.

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## 2010 SSCNC SPECIALTY PLANNER

### Specialty Update

#### Catalog Ads

Board discussed and accepted the idea to provide a discount to anyone who submit their SSCNC Specialty Catalog ads before August 10, 2010.

The "Early Bird Special" Pricing shall be \$35.00 for a Single Page ad and a Double Sided ad (side-by-side) would be \$65.00.

After August 13, 2010 the pricing would be \$45.00/ Single Page Ad and \$80.00 for a double page ad.

Ads for the Catalog Cover will not receive the discounted pricing. Deadline for all ad submissions is September 10, 2010

#### Important Dates to Keep In Mind

1. **August 13th**—Catalog Ad *Early Bird Special* Deadline
2. **September 10th**—Catalog Ads and Trophy Donation Deadlines for Specialty Catalog
3. **October 6th**—Entries for all events Close with MB-F or ABBADOGS (for Agility)
4. **October 9th**—All Box Lunch and Specialty Dinner forms are due with payment.
5. **October 21st**—Harvest Moon Classic Starts
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7. **October 23rd**—SSCNC Specialty

We are still seeking VOLUNTEERS to help with THE GROUNDS for the Specialty. *Many hands make for like work.* Job entails moving the trophies and decorations from the storage unit in Livermore to the fairgrounds and setting up the ring and various displays for Saturday's Specialty. Includes boxing of the items and returning them to storage before end of show on Sunday. Does not require the same people do all the work, but if you can volunteer to help set up or take down, **please contact Lonnie Studley to volunteer your time.**

#### Standard Schnauzer Judges for the Harvest Moon Classic:

Skyline Thr: Theresa Hundt

Skyline Fri: Espen Engh

Specialty: Virginia Lyne

Del Valle Sun: Jay Richardson

Del Valle Mon: Mary Jane Carberry

All Performance venue scores achieved on Friday by the Standard Schnauzers will be recognized on Saturday at our Specialty.

Superintendent: MB-F (www.infodog.com)

Agility Superintendent: Lorie Abbott (www.abbadogs.com)

**Trophy Sponsorships are still available for many of**

**the classes**

**Trophy Chair is Kim Lemke**

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## GENETICS CAN BE FUN? *Or how they bred a Boxer whose tail did not need docking*

### 1998—An update on Dr. Bruce Cattanaach's attempt to breed bob-tailed Boxers

The first three parts of this article were written in 1996.

**Part 1** described the cross of a Boxer bitch with a Pembroke Welsh Corgi made several years earlier. The Corgi had a dominantly inherited bob-tail. A principal objective was to see if, through a series of backcrosses, the Corgi bob-tail gene could be transferred into the Boxer.



### **Part 2**

described the results of the first backcross (second generation)

in which two bob-tail cross-bred bitches were mated with a Boxer male. The progeny comprised pups of all shapes and sizes but one white bitch that possessed a bob-tail was so Boxer-like that she could, and did, pass for a Boxer.

**Part 3** then described the second backcross in which this bitch was mated to a further Boxer male to give the third generation. Several bob-tail pups appeared in this litter too.

Now, in this update, the critical steps in these backcrosses are summarized and then the appearance of the third generation progeny, as adults, is illustrated. Finally, the results of fourth generation crosses which could allow registration of the pups as Boxers are presented.

### THE CRITICAL STEPS

All the first generation progeny proved to be Corgi-like in build. The Corgi features that distinguish the breed from the Boxer could be said to be "dominant".



However, 5 of the 7 pups in the litter had bob-tails

in accord with expectation for a single dominant gene.



This shows the Boxer male to which both bitches were mated. He is my own dog, Steynmere Foreign Service. A total of 16 pups were produced (with remarkable ease) in the two litters and, while several looked very Boxer-like at first, by two to three weeks of age all the Boxer-Corgi differences (long legs vs short legs, longer coat vs shorter coat etc) could be seen to be separating out. No two pups looked alike.

However, one white bitch, Jane, looked very much like a Boxer and remained so through to adulthood. She had the long legs, short coat, and general build of a Boxer, and she had a bob-tail. Only the head was a somewhat untypical. Although clearly Boxer like it looked "unfinished", shallow and without much depth.

The transformation in one generation can only be described as amazing. It suggests that very few genes are responsible for the main features distinguishing the Corgi and Boxer, except for the special Boxer head. The white coat color, of course, was Boxer white and resulted from the doubling up on Boxer.

The next step was to breed the white bitch to a Boxer male that was strong in type. Avoiding the white, the solid male Boxella's Chief at Zenmaxkay who is of Dutch/German breeding was

used. Eight pups were born. All displayed the typical flashy white markings that characterizes the show ring Boxer in this country. None were white or solid as expected from a white x solid mating, and 5 of the 8 had bob-tails. One bob-tail was lost as a result of the bitch getting mastitis and contracting kennel cough.

Significantly, all the pups looked like Boxers both in the nest and by 7 weeks of age when Part 3 of the series was written.

Coming from pet homes, their show poses are not the greatest but nevertheless I think that they all can pass for Boxers. As four of these dogs have bob-tails the transfer of the gene from Corgi into Boxer could be said to have just about been achieved. However, the heads still needed improving



### THE FOURTH GENERATION

Breeding dogs over several generations is a slow business, especially through bitches. Therefore, intrigued by the big brindle male, George (and having one of my Boxer bitches come in season in the Autumn of 1997 when the dog was about old enough to breed, I could not resist the temptation to use him at stud and move through another generation ahead of schedule. The bitch, Steynmere Set The Fashion, suited him well for show points and was especially good in head. Additionally she was strong in breed type.

She whelped eight pups easily

but with more to come she stuck and had to have a caesarian. Disaster started here. Three of the 13 (7 with bob-tails) pups were whites and, although they had bob-tails and most promising heads, I finished up with only three survivors, two with bob-tails and one with normal tail.



### The Fifth Generation—In conclusion

although these pups may not fulfill everyone's idea of show quality Boxers, I think it is



fair to claim that the original primary objectives of the project have been achieved; a gene has been successfully transferred from one breed to another, and I have my bob-tail Boxers which do not need to be docked.

Until I am certain that there are no ill effects associated with the bob-tail gene in double dose, I will keep control of all the registrations. For the present every animal I have sold, bob-tailed or otherwise, has either remained registered in my name, or has had its KC registration endorsed, "Progeny not eligible for Registration".



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**Grand Champion title (cont)**

**Completion of the title requires all  
of the following:**

Twenty five Grand Championship  
points

Three "majors" (three or more points  
earned at a single show) won under  
three different judges

At least one or more of these points  
won under a fourth judge

Must have defeated at least one  
other AKC Champion of Record at  
three shows.

**K9 NOSE WORK (cont)**

**NW3** (Nose Work 3) requires one qualifying trial of 100 points score. Three odors: (Birch, Anise, Clove); will be included for this title. The number of hides may or may not be stated on all elements. (There may be zero, one, two or three hides per area) Combo odor or multiple odors (combo) may be used .

<<http://www.nacsw.net/home.html>> National Association of Canine Scent Work website

<<http://www.funnosework.com/home.html>> K9 Nose Work Regional Web Site

<<http://www.flipshare.com/viewreshare.aspx?i=7f9c7436-c570-42a1-a887-4d2650793fe3&s=15874713>> Link to a class in which I have Tank enrolled out in Livermore. This is week three of Intro to NW and we are introducing some height to the search work. It is everyone in the class—not just Tank. (SS starts at 1:27 of the video if you don't want to watch everyone) And the Vizsla puppy is 5 months old and was introduced to the basics at 12 weeks.

There is a NW1 trial set in Santa Rose for October 2nd if this sport interests you. There is an ORT test scheduled with this event by the exact location is still pending.

Nose work Classes are offered in the east bay at the **SPCA in Dublin** on Saturdays and on Monday and Wednesday nights in Livermore via **TellaTail Training.com**

Other classes are offered in Orinda, Berkeley, Oakland, San Francisco, Sonoma and Santa Rosa and that info is on the NACSW web site under Certified Instructors link....