

THE HEARTBEAT

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S.S. Specialty News



Happy Heat Wave to all. We are trusting that you and your puppies are keeping as comfortable and cool as possible.

As the title of this issue suggests, this is a special edition of *The Heartbeat* newsletter that will focus primarily on sharing information and further details about our upcoming regional standard schnauzer specialty.

It is being held, as usual, in conjunction with the St. Croix Valley Kennel Club show at the Washington County fairgrounds site. Our specialty will be on Friday, August 26th with the all-breed shows continuing Saturday and Sunday, August 27th & 28th.

For any new members and/or to reconfirm with all of the rest of us; the HSSC provides a basic continental breakfast in our grooming area on Friday morning. Donuts, sweet rolls, coffee, OJ and water will be provided as 'eye openers'.

Immediately following the judging of the S.S. on Friday, a club hosted lunch will be held on the grounds. Plans are underway to secure the "beer garden" facility as was done last year, however, as it turned out, we were severely short of beer and we anticipate the same for this year.

All club members are encouraged to bring some sort of side dish, treat, condiment or desert for the lunch. RJ Ronyak is coordinating the lunch menu and you are asked to please contact him to see what is needed for the menu and how you can best assist him. He (and CJ) can be contacted via email at Clmom2@aol.com. The club will be providing the main entrée and drinks. In addition to contacting RJ for potluck contributions, volunteers may also be needed for seating setup and other duties. Step up folks, we need your help to make this another successful club function.

Speaking of needing assistance, we can certainly use two more ring side assistants. These help in organizing and helping folks getting ready for the ring under the supervision and guidance of the chief ring steward. Please contact our show chairperson Marjana Callery if you are not personally showing a dog and can help out at ringside. We plan to provide you with a chair and some shade. ©

Then on Saturday evening following the competition, we will again be holding our potluck show supper, auction and party! We will be gathering at the same park pavilion as last year in Oak Park Heights.

Saturday Potluck Supper and Party (continued)

As new club members, we remember that little information was passed on and we really did not know what to expect. So let's attempt to remedy that right now. This event is a casual time for show participants, club event assistants and guests to relax, share stories of the past two days of competition and stay acquainted with each other by sharing our appreciation of the best canine breed ever. It is also a fun time with both bidding and silent auctions. Typically there is one grand prize that tickets are sold for chances to win it. Other smaller items are also present that some you also buy tickets for and others where you can write down your offer with the highest bidder taking it home.

Where do the prizes come from? The club or a group of members donate the big ticket item. The other items are donations from **you** and the other members. It can be anything that you think might be of interest to others; dog related or schnauzer related or not. This is a fun event that really doesn't cost a lot of money, but is a useful fund raiser for the club. There's no pressure to bid on anything.

Part of the reason for this early special newsletter edition is to provide some forewarning of the auction event. Go on-line or check around the house and try to come up with something to enter into the auction. This is also a potluck meal so gather an auction entry and plan on a dish to share. Then come on out for a few laughs, good company and a great time!

As always; stay tuned into our club website for more information.

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We all tend to get 'tangled up' with the demands of everyday life in general, but don't let that be an excuse for you to get "blind" sided and come to the Saturday Potluck supper without an auction item.

Bad Dog, BAD DOG!!!!

Club Logo

The last item of business for this edition that is time sensitive is the issue of revising our club logo. Some in the club have proposed that we should update the club logo as the current version seems to look unfinished to them while others feel it is just fine as is. If anyone wishes to submit their version of a suggested logo for consideration, it must be received no later than September 15, 2011 to be considered. Also be it known that the club has no funds for the commission of an artist for their work and that the final logo accepted will be the exclusive copyright of the HSSC.

The following are examples of other clubs logos for your reference and comparison. The Minuteman Standard Schnauzer Club does not even have a website to view their logo if they have one. The Greater Pittsburgh SS Club's latest newsletter posted is Summer 2008 and their calendar of events stops at February 2009 so we do not know if any further work has been done on their logo.













So far the "vote" is very lopsided in one direction. If you wish to be heard on this issue, have an opinion or have an art file for consideration, please send to this editor no later than 9-15-2011 at bodroger@heartlandstandardschnauzer.org.

Thank you all very much! Hope to see you in August!

