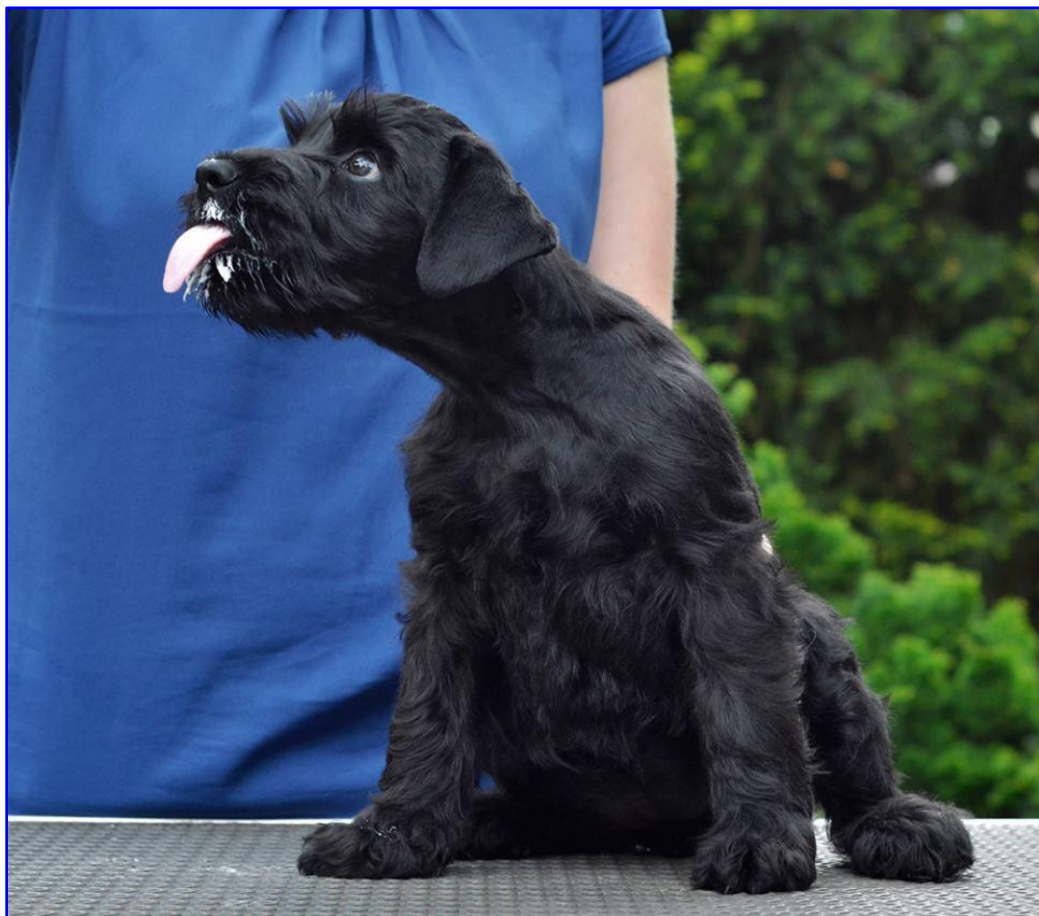


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HEAR YE, HEAR YE!



***This is my new Show Pose.
Sure hope the judge likes it!***



I Had A Really Tough Day!

2014 Board of Directors, etc.

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HSSC Business



SSCA 2014 National Specialty Week
Alameda County Fairgrounds
Pleasanton, CA
October 15 - 19, 2014

Heartland Standard Schnauzer Club of the Greater Twin Cities Membership Meeting Minutes: **JANUARY 4, 2014 (DRAFT)**

LOCATION: Kara Maytag's home, Plymouth, MN

- Meeting called to order at 7:39 pm.
- Present: Marjana Callery, Pam & Alan Shefland, Deb & Roger Eriksen, CJ & RJ Ronyak, Carol Smith, Kelly & Tony Griebie, Carol Feldheim, Kris & Les Gagner, Kellie Mullett & Laura Lindenfesler, Arlys Kendle, Julia & Matt Longtin, Kara Maytag
- Guests: Addy Kaszas
- Reading of Minutes of last meeting: October 27, 2013 minutes approved.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Do we want to host a National Specialty in 2016? Let Kara know if you have any ideas about location. Any place that could also do agility? Duluth? Some people in Texas are interested in holding one.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Please pay 2014 dues.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Have close to \$8K in bank, waiting for some checks.

ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE:

2013 Awards Banquet: Hold it Saturday, Feb. 22? Location? RJ and others will work on where to go.

Obedience Fun Match: Will be held at BOTC on Sunday, March 2. Canine College wants notice of the details. See Marjana to volunteer.

TCMSC Walk: Invited by Twin Cities Miniature Schnauzer Club to participate on their Schnauzer Walk around Lake Harriet, tentatively planned for May 17.

Garage Sale: Proposed to be in conjunction with Woodbury Lions Club on May 8-10, 2014. Let's see how much it would cost. Conflict with TCOTC trial?

AUGUST 2014 SPECIALTY: We need help with prizes and committees. Jim Olson has agreed to be our Sweepstakes judge. Sharon Olson will be our Chief Ring Steward. We still need to contract with a judge for regular classes.

ELECTION OF NEW MEMBERS: New members voted in: Judy Soborowicz and Bill & Arlys Kendle.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

Election of 2014 Officers and Board Members: Nominating committee's slate was elected unanimously. Pres: Kara Maytag; Vice Pres: Kelli Mullett; Sec'y: Marjana Callery; Treas: Pam Ziegenhagen; Board Members: Kris Gagner and Matt Longtin.

Membership Committee: Roger Eriksen.

Newsletter: Special thanks to Roger for the Newsletter. We need to send news to Roger!

Business Cards: Do we have HSSC business cards? Kara will print out more.

ADJOURN MEETING: Meeting adjourned at 8:32 pm.

Submitted for approval by Marjana Callery, Secretary

Heartland Standard Schnauzer Club of the Greater Twin Cities
Board Meeting Minutes: FEBRUARY 9, 2014

LOCATION: On the Run, Ham Lake, MN

- Meeting called to order at 11:10 am by Kara Maytag.
- **ROLL CALL:** **Present:** Kara Maytag, Marjana Callery, Kelli Mullett, Pam Ziegenhagen.
- Minutes of last meeting approved.

BOARD REPORTS:

- President: no report.
- Secretary: no report.
- Treasurer: \$8,130.21 in bank. 10 members have not yet sent in a membership renewal.

ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE REPORT:

2013 Awards Banquet: Will be held Saturday, February 22 at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Bloomington. Email has been sent to all members. **ACTIONS:** 1) **Kara** will print out certificates; 2) **Kara** is preparing gifts for top winners; 3) we will have a small gift at each place for all attendees; 4) we look at the possibility of having a free door prize raffle for attendees.

Obedience Fun Match: The AKC Match will be held at Bloomington Obedience Training Club on Sunday, March 2.

ACTIONS: 1) **Pam** will manage the desk and registrations, and bring baked goods and an easel; 2) **Kara** has ordered ribbons & will bring sign-in sheets, tuna fudge, airpots and coffee, and a whiteboard; will also check on using BOTC's whiteboard & easel and will contact club re: opening at 8 am for workers; 3) **Mariana** will contact Kris or Matt to ask about bringing ¼-page flyers to TCOTC for the Mpls. KC obedience trial, to put on exhibitors' crates to advertise Match; will also contact CJ to have her bring a poster to Canine College, and will make a list of everything needed; 4) we need to get enough club members to steward (Kara, Kellie and Pam have volunteered so far).

TCMSC Walk: The Twin Cities Miniature Schnauzer Club is sponsoring a Schnauzer Walk for May 17. We will contact members when we get more details.

OTHER COMMITTEES:

Garage Sale: We still need to find a location and date.

August Specialty: Planning has started. Jim Olson has agreed to be our Sweepstakes judge. Sharon Olson will be Chief Ring Steward. **ACTIONS:** 1) **Kara** has volunteered to be Show Chair and will form a committee, and will contact St. Croix Valley KC re: using someone from their list of judges; 2) we need to find a free place for our luncheon since SCVVC has started charging for use of the Beer Garden; 3) need to start thinking about raffle prizes. **Membership:** No new membership requests. **ACTION:** **Roger** will send out an email to all breeders listed on SSCA to ask them to ask buyers of their pups who live in our area to contact us about joining HSSC. **Summer Picnic:** We need to find a club member to volunteer their place, and set a date. **Grooming Day:** We need to find a date that doesn't clash with local shows.

Unfinished Business: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

SSCA Publications Notification: **Kara** and **Marjana** will look back in emails for this notification of free publications from SSCA.

AKC Reunite Trailer Project: AKC needs clubs to donate money and volunteers for a trailer that will travel the country for disasters, to reunite people with pets and provide food, crates, etc. HSSC will not be donating money to the project at this time.

Hosting 2016 HSSC National Specialty: A Texas group is very interested in doing it, with volunteers and detailed plans already in place, so HSSC will not pursue hosting the specialty.

ADJOURN MEETING: Meeting adjourned at 11:55 am.

Submitted for approval by Marjana Callery, Secretary.

Heartland Standard Schnauzer Club of the Greater Twin Cities **Board Meeting Minutes: APRIL 13, 2014**

LOCATION: Perkin's Restaurant, West St. Paul, MN

- Meeting called to order at 3:08 pm by Kara Maytag.
- **ROLL CALL:** **Present:** Kara Maytag, Marjana Callery, Kelli Mullett, Pam Ziegenhagen, Matt Longtin, Kris Gagner.
- Minutes of last meeting approved.

BOARD REPORTS:

- President: no report.
- Secretary: received insurance bill; will forward to Pam for payment. Three 2013 members did not renew this year.
- Treasurer: \$9190 in bank. \$337 gross from Fun Match but needs receipts from expenses for the event.

ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE REPORT:

Non-Club-Sponsored Events: 1) Twin Cities Miniature Schnauzer Club All-Schnauzer Walk is planned for May 17 around Lake Harriet in Minneapolis. 2) Helping Paws Wag Walk and Run is scheduled for May 18. Our club has provided volunteer staff for this event in past years. **ACTIONS:** Kara will notify HSSC members about details for these 2 events.

Garage Sale: What date? Where? **ACTIONS:** Kara will send email to members to see who would like to host it at their garage.

OTHER COMMITTEES:

August Specialty: Matt will do hospitality, including planning for the luncheon. Sunny has offered her home (close to the show site) for the luncheon and Kris will help Sunny get things set up. Kelli is in charge of volunteers. Jim Olson is our Sweeps Judge and Sharon Olson will be Chief Ring Steward. The Specialty judge is Eric Liebes. He is also judging Samoyeds, so we will split cost of the hotel for 1 night with that club. We need to finalize prizes, lunch plans, volunteers, etc., and will need to collaborate with the Samoyed club on timing for the 2 specialties. So we will have either a morning show with lunch or afternoon show followed by dinner. We will ask Roger to publicize.

Summer Picnic: The Griebie's have offered their home. September will probably be the best time for it.

Grooming Day: Kelli will plan quarterly (or another regular schedule) grooming days, with 1 topic per day. Kris and Julia will help.

Unfinished Business: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

Quarterly General Membership Meeting: Will be held Sunday, May 18 at Sunny Lambert's new home in Afton, probably starting at 4:00 pm. Sunny will give a demo of Nosework.

2016 SSCA National Specialty: Will be held in Houston, TX, July 20-24. SSCA wants our club to consider holding a regional specialty on 1 day of the show, as we did for the 2013 Schnauzapalooza at Purina Farms, MO.

Taxes?: Kelli will look into this.

ADJOURN MEETING: Meeting adjourned at 4:08 pm.

Submitted for approval by Marjana Callery, Secretary.

AKC CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD ALAN KALTER SHARES AKC'S FUTURE DIRECTION IN DOG NEWS Q&A

New York, NY – A Q&A between AKC Chairman of the Board Alan Kalter and Dog News' Matthew H. Stander originally appeared in the [April 11, 2014 issue](#) of *Dog News*. The contents of the interview about the future direction of the AKC are reprinted here with permission of the publisher. (*Selected excerpts – Ed.*)

What steps do you propose to shift the tide of the thinking of the dog owning public to acquire and buy purebred dogs as opposed to shelter dogs

For the last 20-plus years there has been a well-orchestrated and successful social effort directing people to acquire a mixed-breed dog from a shelter as a viable option for a family pet. Since we are for all dogs, we support those in the public who choose a mixed breed dog from a shelter. We have programs to help those people be responsible owners and, through AKC Canine Partners, enjoy participating and earning titles in Obedience, Rally, Agility, Coursing Ability, Tracking, and Canine Good Citizen. The same is true for the purebred dogs re-homed by the rescue networks affiliated with our Parent Clubs – the largest dog rescue network in the United States and, we believe, the world.

For years, we have advised the public on questions

to ask breeders and now we are advising people on questions to ask the shelter – all in the spirit that an informed owner is key to ensuring a forever home for the dog.

There continues to be a very large segment of the American public that prefers a purebred dog for a number of important reasons. People are attracted to type, size, and temperament – and the predictability of those three key characteristics. We have strong reason to believe that predictability of those issues is becoming more important in the quest to find the dog that is right for one's family. In addition, in order to strengthen predictability, many people simply prefer to start their relationship with a puppy - which predominantly means starting with a purebred dog.

What is being done to increase registrations? Why have there been few if any direct proposals announced under your terms as Board Chair?

We are making progress in dog and litter registrations, thanks largely to a portfolio of initiatives. While still declining, the rate of registration decline has dropped significantly. The programs driving this progress include:

AKC Good Works Campaign: We are doing a much better job of telling our story of our Good Works, like the AKC Canine Health Foundation and AKC Reunite, and the connection to registration.

We know this communication has a direct and noticeable impact on registration.

Outreach and Education for Breeders: We need great pet breeders to supply America's demand for dog companions. By helping all breeders produce better dogs and manage more successful kennel operations, we improve the chances that a pet owner will end up with a healthy dog. Doing so also helps mitigate the A/R attacks on

breeding. The newest addition to this outreach effort will be a new breeder support program that rewards breeders who perform the health testing recommended by their breed's Parent Club. This program, along with other efforts, allows us to educate and support breeders and allows the AKC to not just defend breeding, but to improve it.

Improved Tools for Breeders: AKC has developed a suite of on-line tools for breeders and dog owners including On-Line Record Keeping. Late last year, AKC introduced Breeder EZReg, an online tool that gives breeders an easy way to ensure all of their puppies are registered. Breeders who use it enjoy significant discounts on fees, complete naming control, plus other advantages. More and more breeders are using this new tool to register all of their puppies.

Breeder of Merit: Breeder of Merit recognizes breeders who participate in the sport of purebred dogs and breed healthy dogs. Participating breeders pledge to make certain that all of their puppies are registered. Since its launch in 2011, Breeder Of Merit breeders have increased their rates of registration sufficient enough to increase AKC registrations by more than 60,000 dogs.

On-line Breeder Classifieds: We are currently working on helping breeders find good homes for their puppies and prospective owners find good breeders as a source for their puppies. This is an important part of growing registration and sport participation. To help accomplish those goals, the AKC Breeder Classifieds is getting a major overhaul that will deliver a much more consumer-

friendly experience and therefore, a better showcase for AKC breeders and a better platform to increase the likelihood that someone searching for a companion animal finds an AKC puppy. Look for the introduction of this great new tool very soon.

Registration Marketing and Registration Bundles: In 2012, AKC launched an effort to directly market registration to the new owners of AKC Registrable puppies. Using state of the art marketing techniques, AKC has been able to convince more and more pet owners to go online or mail in their "blue slips" in order to complete their registration. Marketing campaigns targeting breeders were also implemented to reinforce the importance of puppy buyer registration to the AKC's ability to grow and support the sport of dogs. Additionally, the AKC has begun to successfully improve the registration value proposition by bundling other services such as AKC Reunite and AKC GoodDog! Helpline to the completion of a registration.

Social Media: AKC's outstanding results in the social media sphere, including Dog Lovers Blog and the AKC Breeders Facebook group, has created multiple platforms for addressing animal rights driven attacks on breeders while also creating a space to show off what is special about those who dedicate their lives to our sport. We have no doubt that defining our sport on our own terms to such a wide audience is having a positive impact on registration rates.

It would appear that your philosophies towards conformation shows is to encourage quantity over quality in virtually every area whether it be territoriality, number of shows to be held, judging standards and the like. What is your opinion of holding competitive conformation shows and what standards other than financial considerations are the foundations of your beliefs?

The essence of conformation events is for breeders and owners to evaluate their dog(s) in a competitive atmosphere against the standard for their breed. As a breeder, I believe conformation shows are an important tool in helping to determine a breeding. Certainly, there is the sport component, which makes it exciting, and the social component, which makes it fun.

Ensuring the future of Conformation events is a critical commitment of mine. My greatest concern in this area is the sustainability of our All Breed clubs. Many of those clubs are undergoing severe strains today, particularly financial strains. This issue is

program - much like studying pedigrees and genetics, and utilizing all the applicable health screens. A critical component is a knowledgeable judging community – a priority for Parent Clubs, the AKC Board, AKC Staff, and me. most evident in our smaller events – those Conformation shows with an entry of less than 500 dogs.

I believe it is necessary to help those clubs continue to provide a dog show for the public – a great way to continue our education of the public about purebred dogs. We know that the elimination of a dog show results in lost participation in

Conformation. A small portion of the entry is absorbed by other shows, but the majority of the exhibitors simply do not enter a substitute show. We also know that people begin their Conformation journey at a local show. Lose that show and we lose a part of our future forever.

Some clubs told us they would be in a much more tenable position if we allowed them to have two shows in one day – amortizing big costs over two revenue opportunities for the club. We are testing that concept now and I believe a number of clubs will benefit significantly. For the exhibitors who choose to participate in both events, it will be a great benefit for them, also.

For those who see this as simply a way for AKC to increase our own revenue, let me make this clear: the AKC loses money on events. While events are not a source of excess revenue (profit), they are an important part of our mission. On the other hand,

Have the intense social media campaigns, which have been alleged to increase AKC's recognition and acceptance within the general dog owning population, shown any increases directly in financial gains in any area for the Corporation?

The AKC has always seen social media primarily as a communications platform and an engine that allowed us to talk to the millions of dog owners.

The social media campaigns were originally laid out as a three year plan based around three key success pillars for each of the three years - year one focusing on reach and audience growth, year two focusing on engagement and sentiment improvement and year three potentially driving revenue. However, the plans altered when we saw unprecedented engagement within the first six months. This allowed us to reset goals and to aggressively accelerate the plan. Within one year, we have obviously improved our audience and

our clubs must be able to make some money on their events in order to be sustainable. Our objective for the two shows in one day program is to help them get to that level.

Although you did not ask about other AKC events, it is worth noting the continued success of Agility. It is our second largest and fastest growing sport, with over 1.1 million entries in 2013. The National Agility Championship had an entry of over 1640 dogs representing 112 breeds from 48 states and Canada. The Championship was held as part of the AKC Companion Events Extravaganza March 27-30 in Harrisburg, PA. Over the four days, a record number of dogs (over 2000) competed in the AKC National Agility Championship, AKC National Obedience Championship and the inaugural AKC Rally National Championship – crowning the first AKC Rally National Champion

reach; have already shown an increase in AKC's recognition and acceptance within the general dog owning population; and we have seen revenue gains in both direct and indirect revenue.

Direct revenue from social media advertising has exceeded expectations in the first six months since opening this channel, has allowed for advertising revenue to increase at a rate of 2X, and the "net new" audience gained is responsible for a significant percentage of the income coming in on current AKC product lines. In addition, our social media program has been cited as part of the decisions driving significant revenue from licensing, advertising, and sponsorship arrangements.

If you could change anything philosophically about the direction AKC has taken under your leadership as Board Chairman what would that be?

My major philosophical direction includes:

- Our recognition that we can no longer stay solely focused on the 400,000 people we have traditionally addressed. As such, we
- have very successfully enlarged our focus to include the millions of people who have a support of our clubs, our sports, and our registry. Our future demands innovation,
- Our earnest commitment to better serve all of our customers. While we are a registry and a regulatory body, we must treat all of

which requires a steady stream of ideas; the dog in their lives; allowing us to make new friends and believers every day.

our customers efficiently, effectively, and respectfully. Improving on this dimension is a key performance indicator for the AKC.

- Our unwavering commitment to a program of relentless positive action, particularly in intelligence to thoughtfully research and analyze them; the will to try them in the marketplace; and the strength to know not all of them will be successful.
- Our passionate commitment to publicly and strongly stand up for purebred dogs, their breeders, and their owners – no matter how tough the fight gets.

AKC EXPANDS THERAPY DOG TITLING PROGRAM

New York, NY – In an effort to honor the thousands of therapy dog teams that make a difference in the lives of others daily, the American Kennel Club® (AKC®) has added four new titles to the popular AKC Therapy Dog™ program.

In addition to the AKC Therapy Dog (ThD) title (awarded after 50 visits), the AKC now offers:

- AKC Therapy Dog Novice (ThDN) – Awarded after 10 visits
- AKC Therapy Dog Advanced (ThDA) – Awarded after 100 visits
- AKC Therapy Dog Excellent (ThDX) – Awarded after 200 visits
- AKC Distinguished Therapy Dog (ThDD) – Awarded after 400 visits

“The AKC heard from many dog owners whose dogs had already earned the ThD title and who wanted additional formal recognition of their ongoing commitment to volunteering to help others. We’re pleased to expand the AKC Therapy Dog program as a result of these requests,” said Doug Ljungren, Vice President of AKC Sports and Events. “We’ve also added a way to acknowledge beginning therapy dogs, hoping that this will encourage even more dogs and owners to participate in therapy dog work.”

Dogs who are registered and approved by recognized [therapy dog organizations](#) may apply to earn the AKC Therapy Dog titles, which will be listed on the dog’s AKC title record. Any dog, including mixed breeds, can earn AKC Therapy Dog titles as long as the dog is AKC-registered, listed with [AKC Canine Partners](#) or enrolled in the Purebred Alternative Listing (PAL) program. AKC does not train or certify therapy dogs.

Applications for the new titles will be accepted beginning June 1st, with titles awarded beginning July 1st.

To apply for a title or learn more about the AKC Therapy Dog program, visit <http://www.akc.org/dogowner/therapy/index.cfm>.



2014 CPE Nationals - June 6-8, 2014!

Washington County Fairgrounds, Lake Elmo, Minnesota

Hosted By: Minnesota Host Club Group FRI / SAT / SUN, JUNE 6-8, 2014

JUDGES: Kent Bromagen / Daniel Jones / Terry Scofield / Dorris Wiglesworth

Waggin' & Braggin' Rights



"Great agility weekend!! **"Harper"** went 6 for 6, **"Baylee"** went 5 for 6 and I won the Margarita basket in the raffle! A good reason to celebrate tonight!!!" (March 30th) – Kara Maytag-Kaszas

"Happy birthday to a lovely boy, **"Gable"**, and to all his brothers and sisters in the G litter. He hasn't been our boy for quite a year yet. It is amazing how much our lives have grown since getting him. We love him so much." – Julia Longtin



The birthday boy enjoying his steak!



Speaking of the 'G' litter, check out **"Grady"** at the Wichita show lure coursing. – Alain Zarinelli



"Phantom" and **"Shade"** are soooooo happy the snow is finally gone down in Cedar Falls!



"Jester" puts on his frowny face while being groomed at the Wichita show.

Linda Limpert throws a party to celebrate **"Challenges"** MACH in St. Paul with a very nice cake. Challenges' certificate came on Saturday, 4-12-2014.



"Izzy" got grand champion select for a 4 point major towards her grand. Fun weekend and great one for Team Sketchbook at the Rolla Missouri Kennel Club show May 2nd.

And the same weekend, **"Jester"** Sketchbook Fool Me Once, won his class and got reserve!!"

- Michele Zarinelli

Michele and Izzy got their Championship.



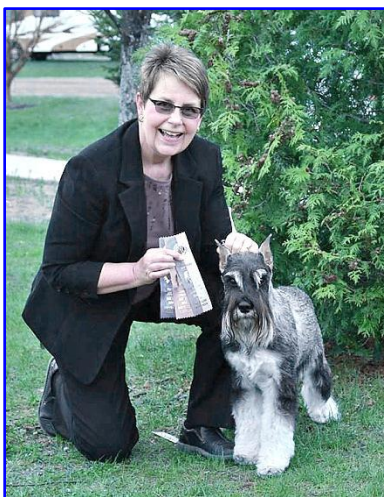
Photo by Luxludus.com



Indianhead Kennel Club @ Eau Claire County Fairgrounds. **"Gable"** and I did pretty well; I was thrilled and literally shocked to tears. Gable earned Select Grand Champion today. And earned Best of Breed Sunday at the Eau Claire show!"

– Julia Longtin





YAY for Team JJ

Kris Gagner is celebrating big time as she introduces CH Jordan Janis Joplin of Windtree BN RN. **"JJ"** completed her championship at the Eau Claire show! Kris proudly says, *"It's definitely a big thrill to get that "CH" in front of JJ's name! Thanks again to Julia for being such a fun person to show dogs with. Also, a special thanks to Sunny for all her help along the way!"*



Congrats to Dan Fogarty and "Sully" on their first Best of Breed win!

Julie shared, *"Had a great weekend showing Sully and Willow in Eau Claire. Beautiful 70 degree sunny weather. Had a great time visiting with all our dog show friends. Great people and great dogs make for a great weekend. Dan was very happy to win Best of Breed on Saturday."*



Show photo not available, but here is Sully at the very start of his show career 2.4 years ago and how can anyone resist THAT face? – Ed.



"We had a fantastic weekend in La Crosse! First time double Qs all three days!" – Linda Limpert



To check out a new video of some club members running their dogs in agility at TCOTC recently =

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4Amq8qmCPfU>

HSSC Population Continues To Grow

In early April, our club population welcomed Von Rose Little Drummer Boy, **"Nick"** as he joined the family of Bob, Cheryl and Jake Smith! Bob writes, *"I was lucky enough to get a puppy from Jon and Suzanne Rosenberg. He is a beautiful boy that was born on Christmas day 2013. A Christmas boy of a litter of 5; three girls and two boys out of mom Ellie and father Zorro. Cheryl and I drove down to Cedar Falls, Iowa and picked Mr. Nick up last Saturday (April 5th). You can see how 'Mr. Purple' turned out at 14 weeks."*



Nick is already fitting in and his big brother Asgard Viking Legacy. **"Jake"** has taken him under his watchful wing. He will be a great companion for Jake and may enter performance training. *"He has already won our hearts around here and is already well under way at potty training. Already going outside like a big boy. He's*

been watching big brother Jake and is learning the ropes around here", Bob added.



And here's a photo of **"Kensey"** (Jordan Kensington of Windtree). He is from the June 2013 litter, the finest litter I've ever had. He has started showing and earned his first two points.
– Sunny Lambert





Club Member Profiles



Gary and Carol Smith featuring Kirby

Our individual involvement with dogs goes back to each of us having myriad dogs growing up. Gary's day care was by a St. Bernard and Carol loved the English Sheepdogs used for farm cattle herding.

Fast forward to the mid 1970's with our introduction to the Schnauzer world. We lived with Baron, a Miniature Schnauzer for 17 years. He was obedience trained and shown to a UD by Gary, often achieving high scoring terrier. When Gary was showing Baron we met the Standard Schnauzer and I said someday

Well that day arrived in 1989 when we got our FIRST Standard Schnauzer, Keillor from Joy Roth. Carol learned the fine points of conformation grooming and after handling classes and with the support of other

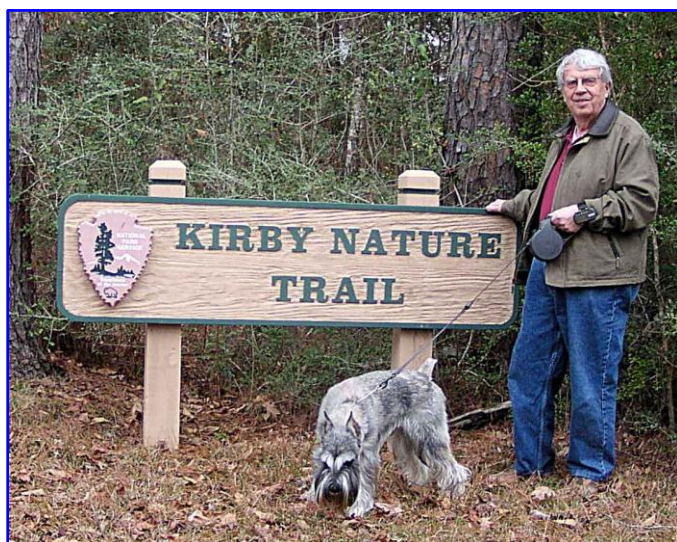
Standard Schnauzer owners and exhibitors, Keillor and Carol entered the show ring. Keillor won his AKC Championship followed by his daughter CH Leiben von Schmidhausen who had joined our household. We

decided to breed Leiben and she whelped nine puppies. (I said we had 2 litters at once. Wow! were we busy!) A male runt of the litter, who Gary made sure was getting to nurse, Aladdin stayed with us and grew up to become one of the five champions from this litter making Leiben a leading producer.



During this time we joined a group of Standard Schnauzer owners who gathered and established an interest in forming a local SS Breed Club thus HSSC. We have served in various HSSC officer capacities and as members giving time and support for Club activities.

We wanted to travel but what about the three SS? We had seen dogs pouring out of motor homes at Dog Shows. Could WE do a



motor home? YES. We rented a motor home for a trip to visit Gary's family. FUN. We rented again for a dog show out of town, it rained hard and the wind blew awful, the sirens went off at the fairgrounds. SCARY. When Carol retired from hospital dietetics and Gary from engineering, we purchased our motor home, fitted it with three dog crates, loaded the grooming equipment, made our bed and got groceries and dog food for trips to the Southwest, Southeast, around the Midwest, and into Canada. We think the SS's loved it.

The travel adventure continues to the present day. After Aladdin passed away we had one short trip without a dog. Kirby an 8 week SS puppy came to live with us in October 2005 and we hit the road in December. He was house broke using bells on a sting tied to the co-captain seat. Today Kirby travels and sleeps in a cherry wood dog crate that Gary built. Resting is necessary as Gary and Kirby walk about 4 miles every day for what Gary figures is 1400 miles a year (hand held GPS). This

means lots of new trails and many new smells for Kirby.

Our SS's have been models for Gary's wood carving hobby and wonderful companions receiving many compliments, **"Beautiful Schnauzer"**.



'Bone' Appetit

Recipe courtesy of Bullwinkle.com



Archie Squares

2 1/2 cups whole wheat flour

1/2 cup powdered dry milk

1/2 tsp. garlic powder

1 tsp. brown sugar or honey

6 tbs. meat or bacon drippings, cold right from refrigerator, not melted or soft!

1 egg, slightly beaten

1/2 cup Ice water

Preheat oven to 350F. Lightly oil a cookie sheet. Combine flour, dry milk, garlic powder and sugar. Cut in meat drippings until mixture resembles corn meal. Mix in egg. Add enough water so that mixture forms a ball. Using your fingers, pat out dough onto cookie sheet to 1/2" thick. Cut dough into squares appropriate for your dog size. Prick each cookie with fork. Bake 25-30 minutes. Remove from tray and cool on rack. Store in airtight container.

Please submit contributions for publication in the Heartbeat by the 10th of January, March, May, July, September and November for inclusion in the issue for those months. Thank you!

*Each issue of the **Heartbeat** newsletter is a means for the club to communicate, inform and hopefully, entertain the readership. All readers are invited to submit articles, photos, editorials or simply your comments on the dog related news items and happenings that you wish to share.*

"Letters to the editor" and op-ed pieces are also appreciated which are your 'take' on what is important to you that you feel the club members might like to be aware.