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## **PREZ SEZ**

by Kara Maytag-Kaszas

Hello HSSC members and friends! Hope you and your bearded ones are staying warm as old man winter has definitely made his presence known. I always have to chuckle when the dogs get their first "taste" of snowfall for the year! Baylee gave me this look like "Really...again", with her eyes rolling underneath her brows. But Harper had a pretty intense case of the zoomies and came in with her face covered in snow!

It was great fun to attend the 2014 SSCA National Specialty in Pleasanton, CA last month. Such beautiful dogs and it was wonderful to see them working not only in the conformation ring but in agility, obedience and barn hunting. This was my first exposure to barn hunting and it was fun to watch the dogs finding that vermin! Stay tuned for an announcement next spring as I have found a local option for us to go and give barn hunting a try! I am looking forward to it!

Best wishes to all for a happy and healthy holiday season! See you in January at our Annual meeting if not sooner! Keep updated at our wonderful new website (thanks Julia Longtin!!) for details of upcoming events including the details for the Annual meeting once they are finalized.

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## **2014 Board of Directors, etc.**

**President:** Kara Maytag-Kaszas  
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### **I have Returned!**

#### **Another Standard Schnauzer Health Survey**

**Enrollment begins January 1, 2015.**

**Let's make our dogs proud –  
complete the survey!**

**Background:** The survey of the health of our breed conducted in 2008 enrolled 1455 dogs. Overall, the health of our breed was good.

#### **Going Forward: The 2015 Health Survey**

To continue to have an accurate picture of the health status of our breed, as well as the common causes of death, we again need information on a large number of dogs; the goal for 2015 is to enroll AT LEAST 2,200 dogs who were alive at any point between January 1, 2008 and December 31, 2014. YES – WE NEED INFORMATION ON HEALTHY DOGS. We need data on dogs who are “pets” (are not they all), (especially) dogs who died during the last 7 years, dogs NOT in breeding programs, un-registered dogs and, yes, dogs who were enrolled in the 2008 survey (they are now 7 years older).

***EVERY Standard Schnauzer enrolled provides valuable information!!***

**Approach:** The approach and instrument are similar to those previously employed, short and user-friendly forms available in several formats with completed forms returned to a non-dog club member third party, who will remove names, return addresses, email addresses, etc that could potentially identify the owner or individual submitting the data. ***This insures the confidentiality of all data submitted, a point that cannot be overemphasized.*** We expect much of our dogs and in return, they should expect the same of us. The future of our breed is our collective responsibility. **We are our dog's champions!**

***The survey form will be available from the SSCA website ([www.standard schnauzer.org](http://www.standard schnauzer.org)) beginning January 1, 2015.***

**AND discuss the importance of this survey with every Standard Schnauzer family. Encourage them to participate! We need your help.**

If questions, contract the Health Survey Taskforce:  
Dr. Harvey Mohrenweiser ([mohrenweiser@wvi.com](mailto:mohrenweiser@wvi.com)),  
Diana Wall ([IFUN100@aol.com](mailto:IFUN100@aol.com)),  
Dr. Diana Barber ([irondogs@earthlink.net](mailto:irondogs@earthlink.net))

# Waggin' & Braggin' Rights

Reporting from our northern team members Julie Fogarty says, "Showing in Canada this weekend (9-20 & 21). **Sully** and **Dan** took breed both days and today took a Group 2! Amazing!!!" Dan & Sully have had a great summer. Winning a Group 2 & 3 in Thunder Bay and a Group 4 at the Duluth Kennel Club Dog Show.



**Bria** was also BOS both days in Thunder Bay for 4 points toward her Canadian Championship at the tender age of 6 months and 1 week.



"**Gable** earned Best of Breed and went on to earn a Working Group 2 placement at the Wright County Hutchinson show. Gable really loves showing, what a happy boy!" – Julia Marie Hoffa Longtin

"**Dreamer** finished her AKC Championship with a 3 point major in Mason City today (10-12-2014)! Now back to the fun stuff... agility and obedience!" – Linda Limpert. Cute AND Smart!!!

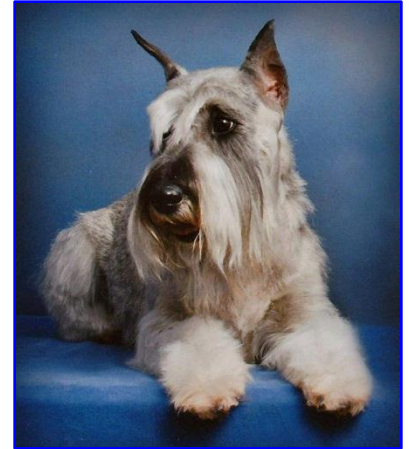






**Luna** Longtin has graduated from Senior Puppy Kindergarten! She loves going to school. Another Schnauzer that is both cute & smart!!!

Happy 12th Birthday **Maddie** (Fogarty)! Special doggy snacks and some squirrel chasing for you today (10-16).



**Otis** and Paul Anderson took a nice woods walk over lunch break to enjoy the beautiful fall season.

Jordan Kona Kai of Windtree, at the SSCA National Specialty, October 18, 2014 held in Pleasanton, CA won Best in Sweepstakes from Breeder Judge, Arden Holst. Then in the Regular Classes she went Winners Bitch and Best of Winners from National Specialty Judge Pat Hastings. **Kona** is Owner Handled by Kelly Fahl Sherbo and resides in Sherwood, OR. Sunny is extremely proud of both Kelly and Kona for such a nice job of presentation. Kona was 16 months of age at this event. This photo is from her Regular Class Win of Winners Bitch and Best of Winners.



In addition to Kona's win, Stud Dog went to her sire, CH Weesbad Catch Me If You Can (call name: **Kodiak, Kodi**). This award is based on judging the offspring. Kona and Kateri were the offspring being shown with him: Jordan Kona Kai of Windtree and Jordan Kateri of Windtree. – Sunny Lambert



Happy Birthday to my wonderful, amazing, athletic **Baylee!!!**  
Can't believe you are 10 years old and now a Grandma!! We get to go have some fun playing agility this weekend and I can feel that MACH3 coming soon!!! – Kara Maytag Kaszas

**Luna** Longtin celebrated her 6 month birthday in early November.



November also brought another B-Day for **Ruger** who is now 7 years old along with his sister **Maddie** Tusler. He will be enjoying a beef bone and some very serious couch surfing this Saturday 11-8.

CPE Agility Trial – Soccer Blast, Burnsville, MN – Saturday, August 9th and Sunday, August 10th, 2014 – **Stone's** 1st agility trial! He did so well! I'm so proud of him! He won the following: Standard Level 1 – Q and 1st Place; Colors Level 1 – Q and 1st Place; Standard Level 1 – NQ and 1st Place; and Fullhouse Level 1 NQ and 1st Place! Love that boy! – Shantel Julius



Here is a photo of **Willow** posing with Julie Fogarty following Willow's 4<sup>th</sup> place finish in Novice B obedience which completes her second leg toward her next title.

# HSSC What – Where – When

- ★ **January 3, 2015 Annual Potluck and Membership Meeting. Location: TBD**
- ★ **January 18, 2015 Grooming Day (possibly Animal Inn)**
- ★ **February 21, 2015 Awards Banquet. Details: TBD**
- ★ **March 1, 2015 HSSC Obedience Fun Match,  
Bloomington Obedience Training Club**

TBD = To Be Determined

## Heartland Standard Schnauzer Club of the Greater Twin Cities Membership Meeting Minutes: **MAY 18, 2014 (DRAFT)**

LOCATION: Kara Maytag's home, Plymouth, MN

- Meeting called to order at 7:39 pm.
- Present: Marjana Callery, Roger & Deb Eriksen, CJ & RJ Ronyak, Kris & Les Gagner, Sunny Lambert, Kara Maytag.
- Guests: Addy Kaszas
- Minutes of last meeting: January 4, 2014 minutes approved.

### PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

- 1) National Board wants to get new people involved in their committees (~20 committees). Let Kara know if you're interested. (Sunny Lambert would like to be on the health committee.)
- 2) Will do another health survey this year. Working on the methodology, can get free heart scan at U. of MO. They're interested in getting a big sample size of clear dogs; might do another CHIC draw at the 2014 National Specialty—trying to eliminate DCM from the breed.

### SECRETARY'S REPORT:

- 1) Sent AKC the Obedience Match results and the election report.
- 2) Renewed club insurance.
- 3) There are currently 45 members (includes family memberships).

TREASURER'S REPORT: Absent. We have ~\$9,000 in bank.

### ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE:

2014 Obedience Match: Took in \$337. Still need to pay some expenses.

Wag, Walk, Run: ~460 turned out. HSSC helped at volunteer tent.

Picnic: Kelly and Tony Griebie volunteered—probably in September.

Garage Sale: No one has yet expressed interest in hosting it.

Grooming Seminar: Prior to St. Croix Valley show on a specific topic: Maybe coat or furnishings and/or finishing work? Sunny will check with Animal Inn re: available dates.

AUGUST 2014 SPECIALTY: Will be held August 22 this year. Need to coordinate with the Samoyeds. Will share judge's hotel/meals with them. Maybe have a p.m. show with evening meal at Sunny's. Northstar Working Group Assoc. changed their specialty from Monday to Thursday. Matt will coordinate food—can put kennels and tables in garage if raining. Laura Lindenfesler will do grounds. Kara, Julia, Kelli will work on prizes. Carol Smith, Gayle Crow, and Sunny Lambert all have items for auction. Kara will make postcards announcing the event and Sunny will bring them to the Illinois specialty to advertise our August specialty.

ELECTION OF NEW MEMBERS: No new members at this time.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.



## **NEW BUSINESS:**

**2016 SSCA National Specialty:** will be held July 20-24 in Houston at the Reliant Energy Center (air-conditioned!), as part of the World Dog Series. HSSC will do 1 day of the specialty. Do we still want to do our August St. Croix Valley specialty that year? We have a year to think about it.

**Source Books:** SSCA wants to get rid of old Source Books and Pepper & Salts magazines. Kara got some for our club.

**ADJOURN MEETING:** Meeting adjourned at 5:57 pm.

Submitted for approval by Marjana Callery, Secretary

# **Heartland Standard Schnauzer Club of the Greater Twin Cities**

## **Board Meeting Minutes: OCTOBER 30, 2014**

**LOCATION:** Kris Gagner's home, Mahtomedi, MN

- Meeting called to order at 7:33 pm by Kara Maytag.
- **ROLL CALL:** **Present:** Kara Maytag, Marjana Callery, Kelli Mullett, Pam Ziegenhagen, Matt Longtin, Kris Gagner; Guest: Sunny Lambert.
- Minutes of last meeting approved.

## **BOARD REPORTS:**

### • **President:**

- 1) There were a number of good comments about our August Specialty, prizes and the dinner.
- 2) There is another health survey coming in January from SSCA. Goal is to get information on 2200 dogs and will involve all dogs who are alive for 1 minute anytime during the past 7 years going back to 2007.
- 3) At the SSCA National Specialty's Annual Awards Banquet, the number of awards was: 233 agility, 106 preferred agility, 60 obedience, 61 rally, 18 herding, 42 Grand Champion.
- 4) SSCA is working on a History Task Force to possibly create a database for dogs and pedigrees.

### • **Secretary:**

- 1) Paid annual insurance by due date.
- 2) Received "closed out event" letter from AKC re: August 2014 specialty.

- **Treasurer:** \$9,532.36 currently in account plus \$400 income from the August Specialty, but there are a few expense reimbursement requests still outstanding.

## **ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE REPORT:**

**Review of 2014 Specialty:** Having it later in the day worked well for us.

**Annual Lake Harriet Walk:** It was short notice but we wanted to take advantage of the great fall weather. About 20 dogs attended.

**Holiday Party:** Not this year, because we already have our Annual Meeting and Potluck dinner with elections during the Land O' Lakes show the first weekend of January, plus our awards dinner will be held sometime soon after that.

**Grooming Day:** Possibly in early December to get ready for the Land O' Lakes show? **ACTIONS:** Kris and Sunny will organize it.

**2015 Calendar:** We need to get a calendar together soon for 2015 activities. Sunny Lambert has agreed to be the event calendar coordinator. **ACTIONS:** Contact Sunny with ideas for events and activities.

**March 2015 AKC Sanctioned Obedience Match:** BOTC is reserved all day on Sunday, March 1, 2015 for the match. **ACTIONS:**

- 1) Marjana will chair.
- 2) Kara will send Marjana the info needed for applying to AKC.
- 3) Pam will send the form and rental fee to BOTC to reserve that date.

**Barn Hunt:** The Zumbro Valley Barn Hunt group can give us a demo and have dogs train and practice. Their next trial is planned for February and Missy Rolland owns this. **ACTIONS:** Kara will find out more about it.

## **OTHER COMMITTEES:**

**2016 HSSC Specialty:** We have been asked to hold this in conjunction with the SSCA Nationals in Houston July 20-24, 2016. The Board has accepted this invitation and will tell SSCA that we want our regional specialty on Friday of that show (July 22). With this specialty so close in date to our annual August St. Croix Valley specialty, we will

probably not hold the St. Croix Valley specialty. We will form a committee in 2015 for the 2016 specialty. We will need to plan prizes for this event.

**Unfinished Business:** None.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Annual General Membership Meeting:** Will be held January 3, 2015. This will be a potluck dinner and annual elections will be held. We still need a location for this event.

**2015 Nominating Committee:** Consists of a Board member and 2 at-large members. Kelli Mullett has volunteers to head the committee.

**2015 HSSC Specialty:** need to establish a committee.

**New Members:** Since the last meeting, 2 new member families have been voted into membership: 1) Keith and Sue Meyer, whose new pup is Teddy, and 2) Shawn and Emily Berres, whose new pup is Bert. (Both pups are from Kris and Les Gagner's recent litter.)

**ADJOURN MEETING:** Meeting adjourned at 9:10 pm.

Submitted for approval by Marjana Callery, Secretary.







**Thanks to  
Tony & Kelly**

# **HSSC Fall Picnic**



# **MORE THAN 4,100 DOGS TO COMPETE FOR TOP HONORS AT 14<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL AKC/EUKANUBA NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP**

*Dogs from All 50 States and Over a Dozen Countries Will Vie for Best in Show*

**NEW YORK, NY (November 19, 2014)** – In a record entry, 4,177 dogs will compete for the title of National Champion at the 14<sup>th</sup> annual [AKC/Eukanuba National Championship](#) on December 13 and 14, 2014 in Orlando, Florida. The show is held in conjunction with the [AKC Agility Invitational](#) and the [AKC Obedience Classic](#) (entries of 598 and 202 respectively) making for a combined entry of nearly 5,000 dogs competing in the three events.

**“THE AKC/EUKANUBA NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP WEEK IS A ONE-OF-A-KIND EXPERIENCE FOR ANY DOG LOVER,” SAID DENNIS B. SPRUNG, AKC PRESIDENT AND SHOW CHAIRMAN. “WITH THOUSANDS OF DOGS COMPETING, NEARLY 160 AKC MEET THE BREEDS<sup>®</sup> BOOTHS, SEMINARS AND JUDGES INSTITUTES, AND NEW EVENTS LIKE OUR VETERANS COMPETITION AND THE [NADD/AKC DIVING DOG CHAMPIONSHIP](#), THERE IS NOTHING THAT CAN COMPARE TO THIS COMPLETE CANINE EXTRAVAGANZA.”**

Other events in the one million square feet of canine-centric event space during the week of December 9-14, 2014 include the:

- [AKC Junior Showmanship Finals](#)
- [AKC National Owner-Handled Series Finals](#)
- [AKC Junior Agility Competition](#)
- [AKC Juniors Obedience & Rally Classic](#)
- [Specialty Shows, Group Shows and the FSS Open Shows](#)
- [Orlando cluster](#), consisting of the Space Coast Kennel Club of Palm Bay, the Brevard Kennel Club, the Central Florida Kennel Club and Orlando Dog Training Club

## **2014 HIGHLIGHTS:**

**Judges:** Judge **Mr. Ronald Menaker** of Jupiter, Florida will select the AKC/Eukanuba National Championship Best in Show (BIS) winner. The owner(s) of the BIS winner will receive more than \$50,000 while the breeder(s) of the Best in Show winner will be awarded \$15,000. **Ms. Patricia W. Laurans** of Newtown, Connecticut will select Best Bred-By Exhibitor in Show from among 1,031 dogs (25% of the total entry) entered in the Bred-by-Exhibitor (dogs being shown by their owner/breeder) competition. Over \$51,000 in prize money will be awarded to Bred-By Exhibitor owners.

**Veterans Competition:** The Veterans Class will be open to all dogs and bitches seven years of age and older and a Best of Breed Veteran will be selected in each breed or variety. Veteran group judging will coincide with the Bred-By Exhibitor group judging on Saturday and Sunday afternoon with the Best Veteran in Show selected on Sunday evening by **Mr. Roger Hartinger**. The Veterans entry totals 220 dogs.

**AKC National Owner-Handled Series Finals:** This year, the AKC NOHS Finals Best in Show competition moves to the main ring on Saturday evening, judged by **Mrs. Charlotte P. Patterson**. Breed and group judging takes place on Friday, December 12. This invitation-only competition is open to the top ten ranked dogs in the AKC National Owner-Handled Series in each breed/variety from the 2014 qualifying year and drew an entry of 608 dogs representing 171 breeds.

**AKC Juniors Classic:** Junior handlers will now have the opportunity to compete in AKC Rally<sup>®</sup> as part of the new AKC Juniors Classic, which offers multiple levels of both obedience and AKC Rally<sup>®</sup> competition for juniors.

**Streaming video:** For those who can't be in Orlando in person, extensive event coverage will once again be offered free of charge via streaming video at [www.akc.org](http://www.akc.org). The evening events in the arena will be streamed live beginning at 6:00 pm each night. The Bred-By Exhibitor groups, Veteran groups, agility and obedience will be taped and available on demand at [www.akc.org](http://www.akc.org) and [live.eukanuba.com](http://live.eukanuba.com).

To read the entire article, go to the AKC news release web page. To purchase tickets or get more information about the show, visit us at <http://www.akc.org/nationalchampionship/2014/> or on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#).



## Club Member Profiles



### Marjana Callery, Finn and Laser



No question about it.....I just LOVE Schnauzers! Over the years, I've had all three Schnauzer

breeds: 6 Minis, 2 Giants and 3 Standards, sometimes all 3 breeds at once (see photo of pepper/salt GS Linga, young SS Finn and MS Pace waiting for popcorn). Although I had a mixed breed and 2 English Bulldogs while growing up, after I married, I got my first Mini and haven't veered from these great breeds since then. My 4 kids got to experience puppies when I bred several litters of Minis with the help of long-time Mini breeder Karen Brittan.

I joined Heartland Standard Schnauzer Club in the 1990s, when I obtained my first Standard, Duffy (CH Von Link's Spirited



Duffy CD RN NA NAJ) from Cecelia Link (see photo of Duffy by Lake Superior). Duffy was born in 1994 and because

Standards are more of an "action" breed, we

got involved with both obedience and agility right away. I think Duffy might have been the first Standard that most local folks saw in agility trials. My second Standard is Finn (CH Jordan Charlemagne of Windtree CDX GN RAE2 AX MXJ) bred by Sunny Lambert. He is now 8 years old and we are currently working towards his agility MACH and obedience Utility titles (see photo of Finn power weaving). The



newest addition to the Schnauzer family is 5-month-old Laser (Jordan Laser of Echo Lake) bred by Kris and Les Gagner (see photo with his toys). Laser is jumping into performance just like Duffy and Finn did. He is already in puppy obedience and agility classes. Here's a link showing him at age 16 weeks in agility class:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pzZzOpp eCdQ> .

He loves to grab Finn by the beard or neck



or tail and pull on him. He is very lucky that Finn is a patient and forgiving dog.



# 'Bone' Appetit

Recipe courtesy of Bullwrinkle.com



## Dog Oil Supplement

### Ingredients:

- 1/4 cup olive oil
- 1/4 cup canola oil
- 1/4 cup cod liver oil
- 1/4 cup flax seed oil

### Directions:

Place oils in brown bottle and shake well. Store in refrigerator.

Add two teaspoons to the dogs food each day. Can be add to dry food as well.

Safflower and Sunflower oil may used as well.

*Enjoy your holiday season in  
health, happiness & peace.*

*Please submit contributions for publication in the Heartbeat by the 10<sup>th</sup> 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.*