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by Kara Maytag Kaszas

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ABOUT IT!**



Summer Hope everyone is having a great start to 2016! A new year means a new roster of officers for the Heartland Standard Schnauzer Club of the Greater Twin Cities. I would like to extend a heartfelt thanks to Kelli Mullett for her years of service on the board and her most recent role as President. Thank you!! Next, I would like to welcome Sunny Lambert as Secretary of HSSC for 2016! Sunny has been recently heading the Activities Committee and has helped to coordinate and organize several of our recent and upcoming events. The rest of the board is completed by 2015 members with a bit of shuffling. Matt Longtin will serve as Vice President, Pam Ziegenhagen-Shefland will continue as Treasurer, Tony Griebie will continue as a board member and Kris Gagner will round us out as the final board member. Thanks to everyone for continuing to serve and support HSSC!!

Stepping back into the role of President of HSSC, I hope to continue to help foster activities and the love we all share of our schnauzers. One of the exciting upcoming events is our club sponsoring a specialty on Friday, July 22nd in conjunction with the SSCA National Specialty in Houston, TX. Yeehaw!! Saddle up them doggies and head south . . . it should be an amazing time. Conformation, agility, obedience, rally, barn hunt and vendors galore all under one (air-conditioned) roof! In February, the club will be having some work days to start assembling some of the prizes that we will be offering. If you are interested in helping, watch for the communication or let me know!

Hope to see you and your bearded ones soon!!

Best Regards,
Kara Maytag-Kaszas
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2016 Board and Officers

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The proposed slate of club officers as put forth by the nominating committee were all unanimously elected by the general membership present at our annual meeting on 1-16-2016. Our hosts for the meeting and potluck dinner were Pam Ziegenhagen-Shefland and Alan Shefland.

New Club Members



At our annual meeting, we voted approval of the membership application of **Lucy** and her humans Maurice & Alice Janssen. The trio attended our holiday gathering in December. A warm welcome to the Janssens and we look forward to the adventures of Lucy in the future.

A close up photo of Lucy appears on the next page.



SSCA 2016 National Specialty

at

HOUSTON'S NRG PARK

in

HOUSTON, TEXAS

Heartland Standard Schnauzer Club of the Greater Twin Cities

Membership Meeting Minutes: DEC 13, 2015 (APPROVED)

LOCATION: Pet Junction, St Paul, MN

- Meeting called to order at 1:23 pm.
- Present: Pam & Alan Shefland, Carol Feldheim, Tony Griebie, Roger & Deb Eriksen, Maurice Janssen, Kris & Les Gagner, Sunny Lambert, Matthew Longtin, Alice Young, Bill & Arlys Kendle, RJ & CJ Ronyak and Cassie, Carol Smith, Kara Maytag, Adelyn Kaszas
- Minutes of last meeting: Approved.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Not present - No Report

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Thank you note received from Eric Ringle from Specialty.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Balance of approx. \$11K. Outstanding receipts from Kara for prizes of past specialties. Need to have books audited...can be done internally. Will look to appoint audit committee early 2016. SSCA is encouraging local clubs to investigate becoming incorporated. Put on agenda for board to review in 2016.

ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE:

2015 Awards Banquet: Will be held at Vivo Kitchen in Apple Valley as this year. Will look for a date in March that would not conflict with other major activities.

2016 Sanctioned Obed Match: BOTC reserved for March 6th. Will need 6-8 stewards. Will be obedience only again this year, no rally. Rental of the facility is \$150 + equipment. Registration will begin at 8am. Posters will be put in training clubs for advertisement.

2016 Specialty in Houston: HSSC Specialty will be on Friday, July 22nd. Nikki Riggsbee is the judge. Still working on the sweepstakes judge. SSCA will allow us to have our own silent auction/raffle on that Friday. Will be looking for donations of items...not necessarily dog and/or SS related. This will be the main opportunity to raise funds. Prize list being finalized. Kara will be coordinating some work days in preparation.

2016 Specialty w/SCVKC: Still planning on holding a Specialty on the Friday of the SCVKC cluster. May need to be scaled back due to the effort that will be required for the specialty in conjunction with Nationals.

Annual Meeting: To be held on Saturday, Jan 16th at Pam & Alan Shefland's house. Laura Lindenfelser and Kara Maytag to work on slate of officers for 2016.

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

Rescue partnership: Discussion initiated on a closer relationship between HSSC and SROMN (Schnauzer Rescue of Minnesota) and Shantel. Will investigate ways to foster the relationship and perhaps look at a joint fundraiser. Ask Shantel to come to a membership meeting in 2016 to talk more about SROMN and what kind of help they provide/need.

Volunteer Rewards: Should we provide some kind of reward system to encourage members to volunteer and become/stay active in the club? More discussion needed.

Meeting adjourned at 1:55 pm.

Submitted for approval by Kara Maytag, Secretary

HSSC What — Where — When

★ Feb 1st: 2015 Annual Award Applications due for submission

★ March 6th: Obedience Match at BOTC

★ March/April: Annual Awards Banquet @ Vivo Kitchen (date to be confirmed)

The Standard Schnauzer Breed & the Holiday Gathering

PetBreeds.com in conjunction with Animal Planet occasionally publishes lists of pets and their 'typical' traits. We have noticed the list of dog breed characteristics include; friendliest, most/least popular, most independent, healthiest, best guard dog, sheds the least, most active, laziest, most intelligent, best for families and on and on. Of course these rankings are arbitrary and are biased upon the "common knowledge" about breeds in general. But when the English springer spaniel makes the list of 'sheds least' while the standard schnauzer makes none of these lists at all, it does make one question just how well standard schnauzers are understood and perhaps under-appreciated too.

Found elsewhere on PetBreeds.com was a list of breeds 'less than ideal for children' which read, *"As a dog bred for personal protection, Doberman Pinschers were developed in England to be fearless, large and intimidating."* Herr Karl Friedrich Louis Doberman of Apolda, Germany would indeed find it surprising to learn he was English! So after all, everything posted on the internet "may" not be totally factual and we apologize for any trauma learning that may have caused you.



One of the missions of our SS club is to 'promote' the breed. It appears that there is a lot of opportunity to share all of the wonderful traits and

characteristics of our beloved breed with the public. The intent of course, is not to push our breed to a higher popularity, but to encourage a higher level of appreciation and

understanding of these great dogs to those who may not know any better (yet). In 'their day' being popular has attracted some very poor breeding practices with several breeds. Thankfully that has not been the case for our standards.

Public events such as breed, agility, obedience, & rally shows where our standard schnauzers participate (& often kick butt) as well as our club's dog walk around area lakes and the Responsible Dog Ownership Day event all are great opportunities for us to share our passion for our breed with anyone willing to listen. "We" don't want to be the most; we want to be known for being the best!

Our holiday gathering in mid-December was such a good time sharing with fellow schnauzer fans, their dogs and



some munchies with each other and allowing the 'greater' pack in general to get some exercise together! We are also very happy to welcome new friends that joined us showing interest in the club and "showing off" their pups. We also had a family of spectators that were there 'researching' our breed as a possibility to add to their family. We LOVE to see folks like that who are discriminating and with great taste in dogs about what their next 'forever' family member might be. Best Wishes!

DANGEROUS STRAIN OF DOG FLU SPREADS CONCERN ACROSS U.S.

A dangerous new strain of dog flu is spreading concern across the West. A dog in Montana recently tested positive for the highly contagious virus, and the Washington state health department is warning pet owners after possible exposure at a Seattle-area kennel.

In Chicago, the [dog flu spread so quickly](#) last year that some shelters were forced to close their doors to prevent further contamination, reports CBS News correspondent Adriana Diaz.

At [Paws Chicago](#), they've treated around 300 sick dogs at their hospital and helped find them temporary homes while they recover. Vets understand the difficulty of containing this highly contagious virus.

Ashley Leise walks dogs in the Seattle area. She's paying extra close attention to her four-legged friends after warnings about the new strain of dog flu.

"They can get sick just like us, and I know how much I hate being sick," Leise said.

King County public health officials say up to 90 dogs staying at a kennel outside of Seattle may have been exposed to the virus. Two have tested positive for flu, but further tests are needed to confirm it's the new strain.

"None of the dogs have immunity to fight it off, so you see large numbers of dogs getting ill when the virus starts to circulate," said Beth Lipton, vet for Public Health Seattle and King County. "When dogs are going to day care or dog parks or boarding overnight in kennel facilities, it can spread very rapidly."

Cases first showed up last March in Chicago and spread quickly. Around 2,000 dogs in 24 states have been infected. A vaccine was made available in November.

Vets say the disease is rarely fatal, but owners should see a vet right away if their dog shows symptoms.

"So if your dog doesn't eat well, misses a meal, if you see coughing, if you see lethargy, just being tired, moping around, it could be a sign of a fever," vet Rob McMonigle said. "If you see that, give your local vet a call and schedule an appointment because they'll need to get on some special medications for it."

The Seattle and King County health department says their Facebook post outlining the symptoms has been viewed 189,000 times since Tuesday. Local vets are now stocking up on the vaccine.

And while the virus is no laughing matter, a viral video features a Chicago pup named Herbert who's putting on a brave face while recovering from the flu.

"Dogs are household members and often times they're like kids in the family," Lipton said. "People want to take care of their pets and do the right thing and keep them safe."

Humans can't contract the virus, but they could spread it to healthy dogs after close contact with an infected dog.

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"Owner Handler Group 3 Saturday, 11-21-15 and a group 2 on Sunday."

Further news on 1-9-2016,
*"Mr. **Phantom** won the breed today at Land O'Lakes Kennel Club show. Congrats to all the winners today."*

– SuzAnne Garcia



*"Jon, **Phantom** and I will be on an adventure in December. We are excited and nervous at the same time. Leaving ... for Orlando, FL to*

#1 Standard Schnauzer
Owner Handler Series*

WS 43601901
 • DCM - Normal
 • CERF - Normal
 • Hips - SC-4405F24M-VPI
 Available for stud to approved bitches.

Owned by Jon Rosenberg & Suzanne Garcia

phantom

NOHS BIS Bronze Grand Ch. Von Rose Masked Phantom
 Sire: Gold GCH Pepper Tree Zorro y Morgenwald X Dam: GCH Cedar Hills Enchanted Yellow Rose

* AKC as of 8-05, 2013 393 points to date

compete at the Eukanuba Dog Show Owner Handler Series on Friday the 11th. We are excited to represent this wonderful Standard Schnauzer breed."

– SuzAnne Garcia



*"Harmony's Solitary Man, **Hunter** got his first 2 points in the ring. He is one of my Hayden's puppies from last October. So proud of him with my sister Kara handling him and his mommy Carol Feldheim for loving him!!!"* - LeAnn Tromanhauser

Mary Ann Lambert posts, "Jordan Standard Schnauzers had a great weekend (11-21 & 22) at the Minneapolis Kennel Club this weekend!!! On Saturday, **Kensey**, (CH Jordan Kensington of Windtree) was Best of Breed, shown by breeder-owner-handler, Sunny Lambert!! They went on to win the owner-handler working group 1 & showed very well in OHBIS and regular working group!! Best Opposite Sex was **Idgy** (GCH CH Jordan Imogene of Windtree, BN) shown by myself. Winners Dog, Best of Winners was **Hunter** (Harmony's Solitary Man), cross-over 2 points, shown by co-breeder Kara Maytag Kaszas, Winners Bitch was **LIBBY** (Jordan Liberty of Echo Lake, BN, RN, HT, CGCA), 2 points, show by myself, Select Dog was **Keillor** (CH Jordan Keillor of Windtree, CD, RN) shown by owner Kris Gagner. Sunday was similar, only Kensey's brother, Keillor was BOB, Idgy was BOS again, Hunter was Winners Dog, LIBBY won Winners Bitch & Best of Winners, for 2 more points!!!" Sunny Lambert adds, "CH Jordan Kensington of Windtree went Best of Breed and Group 1 in Owner/Handler Group." Sunny was so busy at the MKC show dashing from one ring to the next that a photo from that show was not feasible. Here is a beautiful shot of Kensey from a previous show. – Ed.



"What a great weekend for my **Baylee's** grandpup **Hunter**. At the Land O' Lakes kennel club he went Best of Winners all 3 days with majors every day!! Thanks for letting me show him Carol Feldheim! I am sure LeAnn Tromanhauser is quite proud of **Hayden's** little boy!!" – Kara Maytag Kaszas

"So proud of my sister Kara Maytag Kaszas and Hayden's puppy Harmony's Solitary Man aka "Hunter." He had a great weekend in St. Paul going BOW all 3 days for a 3 point major and 2-4 point majors. Two more points to his Championship. Thank you Carol Feldheim for loving my little "red" boy!!" – LeAnn Tromanhauser

"Miss **Bria** was BOS at the Northstar working breed show today (Friday 1-8-2016) for a major win toward her Grand Championship." Adding a second major on Saturday. "A big day and she is a tired gal." – Julie Fogarty



Cover Story

Jordan **Grady** of Windtree graces this issues' cover. The photo emphasizes the main requirement to make the cover is that it is a shot of a handsome/cute schnauzer, though not necessarily a recent one. Michele Zarinelli checks in with the latest on what Grady and Izzy have been doing lately, "Grady just started competing in agility not too long ago. Only competed 2 weekends with him and Izzy in AKC, Grady earned his NAP, NJP and NFP. Izzy earned her NAJ and NF in those two weekends. They were SUPER STARS!

The score results from both weekends = HIGH scores - it was AMAZING. He was in preferred at first because I didn't have him measured and I didn't want him jumping 21, but then an official measurer showed up and now he in regular and can jump 16 - same for Izzy.

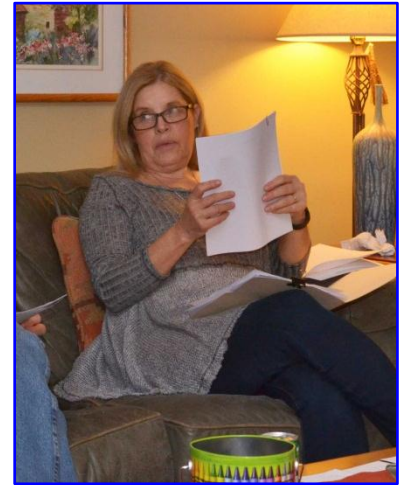
CPE agility - so many successes and titles and high scores in just a few trials.

Grady's titles so far: CL1-R, CL1-H, CL1-S, CL1-F (Completing his CL-1 Title), CL2-R, CL2-F.

Izzy's titles so far: CL1-R, CL1-H, CL1-S, CL1-F (Completing her CL-1 Title), CL2-F.

They have lots of qualifying scores stacked up for their level two and three overall titles and individual titles in Jumpers, Standard, Jackpot, Snooker, Colors and Wildcard. CPE agility titles are done very differently than AKC - you get overall titles in a category "Standard, Handler, Strategy and Fun" so you have to score in those areas so many times to get an overall title, then you also title in individual Classes."

2016 Annual Meeting





B-Day Celebrations!!

"Happy 3rd birthday to my special little angel.

*Love you **Ollie** boy! ♥♥♥" - Kelly Griebie*

*See photos of Ollie and his brother **Indy** in the 'Members Profile'.*

*"Happy Birthday to A/C GCH Sketchbook Winter Solstice RN, CD, CL1-S, CL1-F '**Sully**' who is four years old today 12-21-15.*

Sully & Dan had a busy year in 2015 with Sully earning his Canadian Grand Championship, his rally novice title, Companion dog title and Canine performance event agility titles CL1-S and CL1-F.

Dan & Sully share a strong bond, truly the best of friends. Dan and Sully plan to continue showing in Conformation, Obedience and agility in 2016."— Julie Fogarty



Just getting in under the deadline wire for publication is Miss Izzy on 1-20-2016. Michele Zarinelli posted, *"Happy birthday, **Izzy**! 5 years of joy. . . I'll run into town to get you a nice b-day feast today!"*

LONE STAR SCHNAUZER ROUND UP

SSCA 2016 NATIONAL SPECIALTY
Houston's NRG Park, Houston, Texas
Saturday, July 23 - SSCA National Specialty

Heartland S.S. Club sponsored specialty Friday, July 22, 2016



Club Member Profiles



Kelly & Tony Griebie

Our first dog was a Labrador retriever because Tony had them growing up. We found Lucy by chance in northern Minnesota. She was a wonderful dog but had a lot of health issues. After Lucy passed in 2012, we discussed getting another dog. Kelly had miniature schnauzers growing up, but Tony was hesitant about getting a small dog so we compromised on the Standard Schnauzer.

Sunny Lambert was the first person the Standard Schnauzer community that we contacted about Schnauzers. Sunny was, and still is, a great resource for us. She helped us understand what kind of dog we were going to get and gave us great grooming and training advice. She suggested we check out an agility trial to see what it was all about and we were hooked. The amount of fun the dogs and owners were having was contagious. This breed truly enjoys having a job! We soon also met with Kara, Kelli, Laura, and Marjana. Soon after we came to our first HSSC meeting and have been members ever since. Tony is now serving on the HSSC Board.

The search for a SS was on. Kelly came upon Asgard Standard Schnauzers out of Virginia and found out they still had a 5 month old male they needed to place - "Ollie"! Our Standard Schnauzer adventure began with a road trip to Missouri for Schnauzapalooza 2013 where we met Georgia Sabean, Jean Gillen and our Ollie for the first time. After coming home, we quickly enrolled him in training classes - puppy obedience, puppy agility, obedience, and foundational agility with Tony. Ollie now has a novice agility jumper title and is one qualifying run away from his novice standard title.



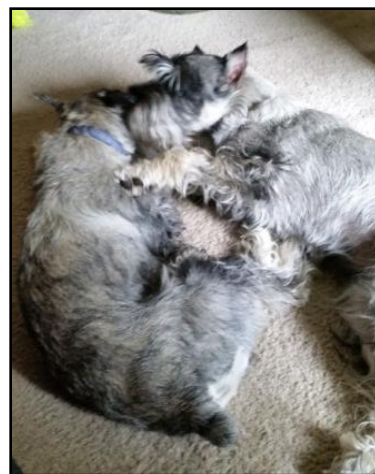
We had toyed with the idea of getting a second SS but hadn't really seriously searched yet. When Kara and her sister LeAnn bred a litter with Hayden, Kara asked if we would be interested in another puppy around December/January. The timing seemed right for Ollie to have a brother so we agreed to get a pup and little blue boy was ours. Indigo "Indy" came home with us on January 1, 2015. Ollie took to him right away and was pretty gentle with him as a puppy. They are two peas in a pod and are attached at the hip.

They love to play together or sit in squirrel sentry duty in the bay window. We've done the same training for Indy, so far, and he is almost done with his foundational agility classes...this time with Kelly handling. He is having fun with the classes and is coming along nicely.



Our happy little family lives in Andover. The boys have a large fenced in back yard that they love to run around in. Currently, they are both obsessed with eating crunchy snow and hunting for squirrels. It is hard to get them to come back inside, unless it is subzero and their paws are freezing!

Tony works in Minneapolis for an electrical design firm and Kelly works in Plymouth for a specialty insurance company.



'Bone' Appetit

Recipe courtesy of www.bullwrinkle.com



Homemade Healthy Dog Snacks

Ingredients:

1 3/4 cups plain flour
2 tsp toasted wheat germ
1/2 cup brown sugar
1/4 cup sesame seeds
rind of 1 lemon
12 tsp butter or margarine
1/2 cup ground walnuts
1/2 tsp vanilla extract

Combine all the ingredients. Knead until thoroughly blended. Divide into 6 parts. Roll each into a log. Wrap loosely in waxpaper & freeze. When needed, thaw and slice into 1/2 thick slices (across roll). Preheat oven to 375F. Place cookies on an ungreased cookie pan. Bake about 12 minutes. Makes 6-8 cookies per roll.

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!

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"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.