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From the President's Pen

By Eleni Stevens

This year is speeding past – PCA is upon us! And we have TWO UPBA events in the works for this year. Details will be forthcoming as they are available...

To follow up, one of the things that I would really like to see us get finished this year is the Illustrated Breed

Standard. We have had this pending for some time now. Grace Blair and her committee did quite a bit of work on it and then it sort of fell by the wayside.

Elizabeth Glew Chair the Committee and I will be Board Liaison, but this is a project that really requires participation from everyone in the club. We would also welcome input from MCPCA members since the Illustrated Breed Standard affects them as well.

Another thing I would like to see happen is for our Yahoo group list to get busier and become a little more meaningful and useful to all of us.

So, in an effort to accomplish both of these goals, starting on May 8, we are going to try to divide the breed standard up into manageable components and tackle one at a time on the list, so hopefully we can get

input and pictures from a broad section of the membership.

We will need pictures that illustrate incorrect as well as correct structure of poodles. We will NOT be using the names of any of the dogs whose pictures we use. In order for our judges to have a better grasp of what



Gui owned by Paul Yule

constitutes a correct poodle, we need to have good examples of what is NOT correct. Since all of our dogs are “practically perfect in every way” (see Mary Poppins), this will be difficult but not impossible to

accomplish. Pictures of the relevant part of the poodle will work.

One problem I have in this regard is that I always want to take pictures of the beauty of poodles, not their faults! So we may have to remind ourselves to take a picture of that bad bite we see or that roached back, low tail set or whatever. And maybe we'll have to go a little bit farther afield to find the things we need, but we can talk about each body part as we get there.

Watch the list because, as we iron out the details, we will post them there.

Upcoming Health Clinics

Symbols for tests: Heart (Cardiac) ♥; Eyes 👁; Hearing 🗣; Blood 🩸; X-rays ✕; Other tests +; Microchip 📱

STATE/PROV	CITY	DATE	TESTS
AB	Calgary	5/1/10	♥
"	"	5/1-2/10	👁
AZ	Avondale	Monthly	👁
"	Gilbert	5/4/10	👁
"	"	6/1/10	👁
"	"	7/6/10	👁
"	Tucson	5/5/10	👁
"	"	6/2/10	👁
"	"	7/7/10	👁
"	"	8/4/10	👁
BC	Surrey	6/26/10	♥👁🩸
"	Williams Lake	6/13/10	👁
CA	Burlingame*	7/3/10	♥👁
"	Dixon	8/7-8/10	♥✕+🩸📱
"	Placerville	5/29/10	👁
"	"	5/30/10	♥🗣
"	"	5/31/10	🩸📱
"	San Diego	Monthly	👁
"	Tustin	Monthly	👁
"	Upland	5/26/10	👁
"	"	6/30/10	👁
"	"	7/28/10	👁
"	Vallejo	5/22-23/10	♥✕+🩸📱
"	"	6/11/10	♥
"	"	6/11-13/10	♥✕+🩸📱
"	"	6/12/10	👁
"	"	6/13/10	🗣
"	Ventura	7/10-11/10	♥✕+🩸📱
CO	Colorado Springs	6/12/10	👁+🩸📱
"	"	6/13/10	♥+🩸📱
"	Ft. Collins	5/8/10	♥👁🗣✕+🩸
"	Longmont	6/5/10	👁

CT	Danbury*?	6/12/10	♥👁
"	Suffield	5/16/10	♥
FL	Gainesville	5/11-12/10	♥👁🩸
GA	Atlanta*	5/22/10	♥👁
IL	Bloomington	5/28/10	♥
"	"	5/29-30/10	👁
"	Lombard*?	5/1/10	♥👁
"	Wheeling	Monthly	👁
IN	Auburn	6/7/10	👁
"	Greentown	5/22/10	👁
LA	Lake Charles	6/12/10	👁📱
ME	Brunswick	5/22/10	♥👁
MD	Annapolis	Monthly	👁
"	Point of Rocks	5/15/10	👁
MA	Greenfield	5/2/10	♥
"	Marlborough	5/2/10	♥👁🩸📱
"	North Andover	5/16/10	👁
MI	Armada Twp.	6/26/10	♥📱
"	"	6/27/10	👁📱
"	Auburn Hills	8/13/10	👁
"	Frankenmuth	5/4-6/10	♥🩸
"	South Boardman	6/19/10	👁
"	Southfield	5/10/10	👁
"	"	7/12/10	👁
MN	Duluth	7/17-18/10	♥👁+🩸
"	St. Paul	Monthly	👁
MO	Gray Summit	5/14/10	♥👁
"	St. Louis	7/24/10	♥👁
"	Warrensburg	5/14/10	👁
NB	Moncton	6/17-20/10	👁
NJ	Clinton*?	8/7/10	♥👁
"	Little Falls	5/5/10	👁
NM	Albuquerque	5/14-15/10	👁
"	"	5/15/10	♥
NY	Ithaca	5/31 - 6/4/10	🩸



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STATE/ PROV	CITY	DATE	TESTS
"	Owego	5/2/10	♥ 👁
"	Saugerties	5/23/10	👁
"	Walkill	4/29/10	♥
NC	Durham*	5/15/10	♥
"	Tryon	5/13/10	♥ 👁 📄
NS	Dartmouth	6/12-13/10	👁
OH	Akron	Monthly	👁
"	Mason*?	10/13/10	♥ 👁
OK	Tulsa	5/29-30/10	♥
"	"	5/29/10	👁
ON	Colborne	5/2/10	♥ 👁
"	Ingersoll	5/1/10	👁
"	Thunder Bay	5/28-29/10	👁
OR	Bandon	7/10-11/10	🗣 📄
"	Eugene	5/26/10	👁 🩸 📄
"	Klamath Falls	5/14-15/10	🗣 📄
"	Pleasant Hill*	5/16/10	♥ 👁 + 📄
"	Portland	7/23-25/10	🗣 📄
"	"	7/24-25/10	♥ ✕ + 🩸 📄

"	Redmond	7/3-4/10	🗣 📄
PA	Lancaster	5/10/10	♥ 👁 📄
"	Lansdale	5/23/10	♥ 👁 ✕ + 🩸 📄
SK	Regina	5/22/10	👁
TX	Gainesville	5/1/10	👁
"	Houston	7/23-24/10	🗣
"	"	7/24/10	♥ 👁 + 📄
"	San Antonio	6/16/10	♥
UT	South Jordan	5/7-9/10	♥
"	"	5/7-9/10	👁
"	Salt Lake City	Monthly	👁
VT	Rutland	5/16/10	♥ 👁 📄
"	Vergennes	5/13-14/10	♥
VA	Manassas	5/22-23/10	👁
WA	Bellingham	5/15/10	👁 📄
"	Spokane	5/29/10	♥
"	Walla Walla	5/1/10	♥ 🗣
WI"	Jefferson	5/8/10	👁
"	Oconomowoc	6/9/10	🩸

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for permission to use their health clinic
listing. You may obtain further
information at their site:

http://www.cavalierhealth.org/health_clinics.htm

UPBA Recognition Program

It's Free! It's easy to apply!

Recognize your 2010 UKC title(s)! You receive a certificate, an announcement with photo in the newsletter and on the website.

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Wrapping Show Coats

By Heather Bryan

The principle behind wrapping the coat is to protect it while it grows length. While the concept is a simple one, it does take practice to become proficient in the technique, and it can be time consuming and frustrating when you first attempt it. The first time I put wraps into a coat it literally took me 2 hours, and I invented several curse words along the way! My wraps were loose, my lines were crooked, and several of them fell out within a couple of days.

Practice, practice, practice! That is what it took for me to get it right, and even then, I still try to work out ways to make it better and easier. Remember that everyone does things differently. What works for me won't necessarily work for you. You will find that if you develop a pattern and routine as you work, it will help you to be more efficient in your work. Also take your dog into consideration. They may need to get up after 30-45 minutes and take a break. Some dogs get impatient if they have to stay still for too long a time, and that in turn can frustrate the groomer greatly. Don't expect a dog that has never had their hair wrapped to be a perfect angel. Just like with any kind of training, the dog is learning as much as you are while you are working on them.

One very important thing that needs to be considered is that not all poodles appreciate having their hair wrapped. While most of my dogs were good for the process of being wrapped, they absolutely HATED having their topknots in wraps, and would work tirelessly to get them out, causing more damage to the coat in the long run. My rule of thumb is that if they rip out coat, try something else. For me, banding the topknot has worked better than wrapping. I do, however, insist on wrapping the ears. Banding them has never given me satisfactory results. But like with anything, you will need to find what works best for you when it comes to the coat care of your dog.

You will need to start with a clean, combed out, and



completely dry coat. In Arizona the weather is

extremely dry, so I keep my girls in oil. Because of this, they look as though they are wet when they aren't. Keep that in mind when you look through the pictures. This girls hair IS completely dry! Also I will



add, that I don't typically wrap coat that is in oil because I feel its redundant, but I did for the pictures in this article.



The tools I use are: a knitting needle to part and divide the sections of hair, a brush, a comb, and of course wraps and bands. You can always cut up plastic grocery bags into suitable strips for wrapping, they are essentially the same material as the fancy colored wraps. I don't recommend using plastic trash bags, as they can sometimes be lined with pesticides, and the obvious implications of that



can make your dog sick. For bands, Sally's Beauty Supply carries some nice colored bands that work great for holding the wraps.



Once you have your section of coat, take your wrap and place the end of it as close to the roots as possible.



There are 2 basic ways to wrap and band the neck hair. Some people do two parallel sections that follow the spine down the back. Others prefer only one section of wraps that follow the line of the spine. I've done both. I've found if the hair is shorter, 2 lines of wraps hold the coat a bit better, and vice versa if the hair is longer.



Once you wrap the plastic around the coat, secure the bottom of the wrap with a band.



Then fold the wrap in half, lengthwise, and then again fold it in half lengthwise.

I use my knitting needle to separate approximately 2" x 2" sections to wrap. The actual size of the section can vary with the type and density of coat you are working with. Clean, straight lines cause less problems.





At this point use another band to hold the folded wrap in place.



The finished product!

Sebaceous Adenitis Study

The PCA Foundation recently approved a research grant from Niels Pedersen, DVM, PhD to study the genetics of sebaceous adenitis (SA) in Standard Poodles. Dr. Pedersen oversees the Center for Companion Animal Health, which includes the genetics laboratory, at UC Davis School of Veterinary Medicine. Dr. Pedersen now needs samples from both affected and non-affected Standards for this research. The form and directions one needs to be able to participate may be found on

pages (31-32). We hope each of you will get the word out so that we have enough Poodles participate. For those who'll be attending PCA, the Foundation has arranged to have a blood draw available there for those wishing to participate in the study.

Please cross post and get the word out. The more people who know about this study the better chance we have of getting enough Standards to participate.

Poodle Spotlight: *Grand Champion Tiara Frappuccina*

By Julie and Kirk Reed

Our most wonderful, smaller Standard Poodle has topped the Top Ten for the breed in United Kennel Club conformation events once again in 2009: **Grand Champion Tiara Frappuccina**. Fanciers may recall that she was campaigned throughout 2006 and won a breed-record-shattering 361 Top Ten points that year to capture the number one spot for Std Pdl's in UKC conformation.

Then, most recently, shown for the first time again only in the fall of 2009, at seven years of age, our precious, never put a foot wrong. This gorgeous, rich-black-coated, Standard Poodle was entered during FOUR weekends to top the competition again in 2009; notably winning 8 Bests of Breed consecutively in December. She added 5 more Bests in Multi-breed show wins during these 4 weekends. This adds to her 2006 numbers for a total of 13 Best in Multi-breed Show wins and a few more RBIMB show wins; all of which are deeply appreciated and mean a lot to us.

Earlier in the year we had phoned our longtime fancier friend Joyce Wilson to congratulate her on her Std Pdl's' number one spot. We did not plan to show in 2009.

Later in the summer, the listing of judges was posted for the fall shows in the Southwest US and it was decided it would be fun to get Frappuccina in the Top Ten again. There were a lot of surprises along the way near the end and Joyce was apprised at the push we were making to dominate the local scene out here; we were rooting for one another.



Actually, the plan we had truly hoped to achieve was to help Joyce's dog hold onto his position by defeating his closest challenger in the standings. Far more dogs showed up than expected in the Southwest. No one realized until the very last weekend of the show season what the outcome would be of course. Frappé went from not being in the Top Ten at all in late November to capturing the number one spot just 3 weeks later!

Our appreciation goes to the judges and the gallery of fans that express how much they enjoy watching the darling Frappuccina show.

Frappuccina, (CHIC 18662 out of CHIC parents) is the proud dam of six UKC Champions as well as being the dam of seven UKC Grand Champions. Three of those Grand Champions have also been in the UKC Top Ten. Thus far, 7 of her offspring have health screenings completed and have achieved CHIC recognition with 3 more to be designated as such when the paperwork is mailed.

We acknowledge that in our efforts to revamp our foundation, we are very fortunate with such a fine selection from which to select our next generations. Frappuccina is a doll to live with, a player of games and the director of entertainment for our household.

*Julie and Kirk Reed,
Tiara Standard Poodles, California
www.tiarapoodles.com*

CHIC DNA Repository

The CHIC DNA Repository, co-sponsored by the OFA and the AKC/CHF, collects and stores canine DNA samples along with corresponding genealogic and phenotypic information to facilitate future research and testing aimed at reducing the incidence of inherited diseases in dogs.

DNA samples can be submitted in the form of blood or cheek swabs.

For more information, visit:
www.caninehealthinfo.org



Show Brags

Our first Flyin' Dog Farm, Bred By puppies are certainly taking after their Momma and Daddy, GRCH Tintlet Petit Fille aka GiGi / JC Pioneers Sumthin To TK Bout aka Rumor. They have produced, out of their first litter, 2 UKC Champions and 1 almost, They were all a few days shy of 10 months old, and at their first show. What a show it was.



Flyin Dog Dragon Attack aka Junior is now a UKC Champion. He earned his Championship at The Carolina Classic. He went Group 1 in his first show, and went group 4 in his last show.



Flyin Dog Tumblin Dice aka Dicey is 1 pass shy of her Championship, but got a group 3 in her first show also at the Carolina Classic. Tintlet When Stars Go Blue aka Kachina (she belongs to Gloria Ogdahl) is now a UKC Champion, also earned at The Carolina Classic. She also went Group 2 and Group 4.

We are so proud of our babies. We are grateful to both Gloria Ogdahl and Priscilla Suddard for the terrific bloodlines that have produced such wonderful off spring. There were 8 in the litter, 3 are showing in Conformation, 3 are in pet homes (1 is in Paris France), 2 are in performance events like dock diving, obedience, agility, disc dog, dance, and grooming competitions. The versatility of our first litter has astounded us. What a great group of babies!!! We are grateful for the new owners of our puppies. Who are making sure that they are living up to their potential as versatile poodles and in loving homes.

Thanks again to Gloria (who bred GiGi) and Priscilla for giving us the opportunity to continue the bloodlines that you have developed so carefully.

Andi & Gray Hungerford
Flyin' Dog Farm
Hayesville, NC
www.flyindogfarm.com



UKC Carolina Classic April 2-4

We entered Kachina (Rumor X GG pup), Kizzy (Kitchel/Sin puppy), and Kelsey's parti factored brown mini, Summer. Plus Mr. Levi was entered in one show and also in weight pull.

Levi (**WP GrCH Sisco's I Like It Like That**) pulled 650# (on rails) and won BB and Group 2 for a total Dog award!! YEAH!!!

Kachina (**Tintlet When Stars Go Blue**) was entered in 4 shows. She went BF all 4, BW/BB in 2. (Plus a group 2 and group 4) to finish her CH.

Kizzy (**Tintlet Reconsider Me**) was VERY naughty and kept grabbing her lead and having toooooo much fun!!

Summer (**Belle Benet party at the River**) was entered in 3 shows. She went BF and BB in all 3 (over Ch and Gr CH), ending with a group 2 in a very competitive Companion Group. She still needs 12 more points for her CH.

Gloria Ogdahl
www.tintlet.com





On March 13, at a CDSP Trail, Rosie, again earned a High In Trial and Highest Score in Novice with another 199.5.

She also earned URO1 and UCDX titles. She is now known as: **URO1 UCDX Kali's Lil Appachi Rosebud, CD, CDX-H, RE, RL2, CGC**

Marcia German
www.kalipoodles.com



Benet Old Enough To Know Better (Andrew) went BOW at the Hilton Head AKC shows on March 7. **Benet Bold and Spicy** was Reserve.

Janice Bennett
www.benetminiaturepoodles.com



E Clat s Late Arrival (Johnny) won 2 puppy Bests at his first set of shows on March 23.

Jennifer Lorenzen
www.eclatpoodles.com

Cabryn Moonstruck Urban Gigolo (Brody) and **Sisco Moonstruck's Playing For Keeps** (Ozzie) had AKC wins. Ozzie went Best of Breed over two specials and now needs 1 more point for his AKC CH and Ozzie only needs a 3-point major.

Eleni Stevens
www.moostruckpoodles.com



Cynpams Jeopardy started his puppy show career at the APBTC of SoCA on February 21, 2010. He earned 2 no competition BOB, but he did win the Companion Group at both shows. He is halfway to his 100 points.

Cynthia and Pam Woods
Cynpams Black Miniature Poodles

Health Testing Brags

Sisco's Divine Miss M for Moonstruck
 and
 Cabryn Moonstruck Raven Simone
 Tested CLEAR for vWD

Both are owned by Eleni Stevens

Next Newsletter Deadline

July 23, 2010

Send submissions to
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Exercise Comparison for the AKC and UKC

By Irma Shanahan

Miscellaneous information about the UKC Obedience program

At the Novice and Open levels in the UKC, a handler may use either vocal or hand signals, or both so long as they are given simultaneously. It is important to remember, though, that at the Utility level, only verbal or signals may be given, but NOT both. In the Utility Signal exercise, ONLY signals may be given.

Since the UKC recognizes other registry's titles, a dog who has completed a title in any other registry must be shown in the appropriate B class rather than A.

The UKC accepts reduced jump heights for certain breeds as well as a Veteran jump height for any dog 8 years of age or older

Dogs are generally run through in jump height order, although this is not required.

Mixed breeds can be registered with the UKC and shown in performance venues

Two qualifying legs can be earned under the same judge towards a title.

As a general rule, a dog will do the honor exercise for the working team that follows them, but this is at a judge's discretion, so please be sure to stay alert so you do not miss your turn doing the honor.

AKC Novice Exercises	UKC Novice Exercises	Primary differences
Heel on Leash and Figure 8	Heel on Leash and Figure 8	In the UKC, the heeling pattern and Figure 8 are done with a dog and handler doing an Honor Exercise (see below)
Stand for Examination	Stand for Examination	No Difference
Heel Free	Heel off Leash	No Difference
Recall	Recall over High Jump	In the UKC, the recall is done over a high jump with a steward standing on either side of it. At the judge's order, the handler leaves the dog on one side of the jump and walks to the opposite side of the jump, approximately 8 ft from the jump. At the judge's order, the handler calls the dog to come to a front position over the jump, and awaits the judge's order to finish.
Long Sit	Long Sit	No difference
Long Down		Done in the UKC as an individual exercise called the Honor Exercise
	Honor Exercise	Only done in the UKC. Before the working dog starts, the honor dog and handler are escorted into the ring by a steward, and told where they are to be placed. When the working team is ready, the judge will command the honor handler to down the dog and leave the dog. The handler then walks to a specified place in the ring. Both dog and handler remain in their positions while the working team completes the heeling and the figure 8 exercises. Upon completion of the working team's exercises, the judge will order the handler to return to the dog which must be done by walking behind it into heel position, and await the judge's order, "Exercise Finished" before releasing the dog

AKC Open Exercises	UKC Open Exercises	Primary differences
Heel Free and Figure 8	Heel Free and Figure 8	There are two main differences at this level. As in Novice, there will be an honor dog in the ring, but there will also be a "walking steward" who will be walking the heeling pattern in reverse to the working dog, permitting them to pass the team twice; once on the dog side and once on the person side. The steward will do nothing to distract the dog other than simulate a person passing the dog out for a walk and does not appear in the Figure 8 portion of the exercise



Drop on Recall	Drop on Recall	The primary difference here is the presence of a walking steward, who will stand facing the working team. Upon the judge's order, the handler leaves the dog and goes to the opposite side of the ring about 3 to 5 ft. from where the walking steward is standing. Upon the judge's order, the dog is called, and then upon the judge's order, the dog is dropped. While the dog is in a down position, the walking steward leaves his position and walks past the dog, who must remain in a down position. Once the walking steward is past the dog, the judge will give the order to call the dog to front.
Retrieve on Flat	Retrieve on Flat	No difference
Retrieve over High Jump	Retrieve over High Jump	No Difference
Broad Jump	Broad Jump	No Difference
Long Sit	Long Sit	No Difference
Long Down		
	Honor Exercise	Just as in Novice, the dog and handler do the same thing, except the handler will leave the ring and go to a specified out-of-sight location until told to return by the judge.

AKC Utility Exercise	UKC Utility Exercise	Primary differences
Heel and Signal Exercise	Heel and Signal Exercise	No difference
Scent Discrimination #1	Scent Discrimination	In the UKC, only 5 articles are used, and they can be either leather or metal, but not both. Only one article is used. The turn and send methods are the same
Scent Discrimination #2		
Directed Retrieve	Directed Mark Retrieve	In the UKC, the placement of the three gloves is different. If one pictures a baseball diamond, the working team would be at home plate, with glove 3 at first base, glove 2 at second base, and glove 1 at third base. This arrangement means that if the dog gets the middle glove (#2) he will have to run between the other two gloves, ignoring them, to get to the correct glove.
	Directed Signal Retrieve	In the directed signal retrieve, the gloves are placed in the same position, but upon the handler's order, the dog must go out to the center of the ring (think pitcher's mound), which puts it equidistant from each glove. From that position, the dog is then commanded to retrieve one of the gloves. The positioning of the dog when he turns and sits is of vital importance here, because the UKC will take of major points or NQ a dog who does not stop approximately in the center of the ring.
Moving Stand for Examination		
	Consecutive Recall	In the UKC, the team does consecutive recalls, one a flat and the other a drop on recall without any break between them. Once one is finished, the judge will immediately give the order to "Leave the dog" to do the second recall. There is no break in the exercises to praise the dog.
Directed Jumping #1	Directed Jumping 1 & 2	In the UKC, this is essentially the same as the AKC except it is considered one exercise rather than 2.
Directed Jumping #2		



Exercise Comparison for the AKC and UKC (continued)

A note about the UKC OTCh Title and the United Grand Obedience Champion titles:

Once a dog finishes it's Utility title, it is eligible to earn points/legs toward the United Obedience Champion title. The requirements for this title are:

1. Earning a qualifying score in each of Open B and Utility be classes in the same trial with a combined score of 370 or above.

2. Accumulate 100 points with 30 from Open B and 20 from Utility B. There is a sliding scale based on the scores starting at 170 for 1 point to the maximum of 8 points for a score of 199-200.
3. There is no placement requirement in the UKC.

In order to qualify for the GOCH, the combined wins number moves from 5 to 15, and at least 3 of those combined wins have to be under 3 different judges.

Poodle Spotlight:

UGRACH 2 Joans Precious Rusty Deshler

By Joan C. Davis

UGRACH 2 Joans Precious Rusty Deshler was the first born of a litter of 4, whelped in the middle of winter 2003. This was a repeat breeding of Ch. Burline Kalein Angeldust to Ch. Deshler's Denim n Diamonds by the breeders Patricia A. Deshler, Elizabeth Cowman, Kay O'Bryant and Suzanne Mendera. True to his poodle heritage, he loves water---be it in the liquid form or snow. We call him the "brown clown" as, even now at the age of 7, he acts like a goofy pup most of the time.

Rusty was born into a lineage of poodles competitive in The American Kennel Club (AKC). He became an AKC conformation champion at the age of 8 ½ months. After that experience, we gave him a haircut, and just let him "grow up" for a while. Actually, shortly before his first birthday, he was in the field with the other two miniature poodles in the family (his uncles, Jeff and Beau) learning to hunt pheasant and quail in south central Kansas. About the same time, his agility training began in earnest.

By the age of two, he was ready for the agility ring---we thought. Early in his career, his problem was that he just saw so many interesting things while sitting at the start line, that his brain could not focus on the task at hand. He could do all of the obstacles---he just had to go "visiting" on each run. In Omaha Nebraska, during his first summer of competition, from the top of the A-frame, he noticed that someone in the crowd had a nice big bar-b-que beef sandwich sitting on a plate on top of a crate. One big leap from the top of the A-frame, and he made a "bee-line" for that sandwich. Of course, everyone began to yell "Loose Dog" and chase him, just as he snatched the sandwich. But,

his "brown brain" decided that it was much safer back in the ring with "mom" than it was outside of the ring with all of those screaming people. So he started back into the ring, dropping the sandwich at the gate---because, of course, you cannot have food in the ring!



He came directly back to me, did a perfect "front--sit", licked his chops, and then looked up at me and the judge as if to say "Lunch is ready!" I looked at the judge, who was laughing so hard that she had been unable to blow her whistle to excuse us from the ring. I smiled and told her that I believed that we were done for the day, as I asked to be excused. Then, I had to go find the owner of the sandwich, and buy him a new lunch! To this day, when we see that judge, she always asks us if we have had any good bar-b-que lately! But he never ran out of the ring again---a lesson that, otherwise, I probably could never have taught so efficiently!

The "brown clown" has finally started to mature. He currently holds 13 AKC agility titles and 2 Rally Obedience titles, as well as his Canine Good Citizen certificate.

In 2008, a friend of ours introduced us to UKC agility. We needed to find some "ring time". Rusty had recovered from a bruised back suffered when he fell out of a tree that he had climbed while chasing a squirrel. But after his return to the ring, he had become uncertain of the teeter. My friend explained that I could train in the ring in UKC, and overcome the problem we were having of Rusty doing the teeter in practice but not in the competitive situation. As they say, the rest is history. Here we are, a couple of years later, and he currently holds the UGRACH 2, is well on his way to UGRACH 3, and is among the All Star Rankings for 2009 and 2010. We are so excited, and honored to be going to



Richmond, Indiana for the 2010 UKC Premier in July. This will be our first trip to the Premier. I am a graduate of Miami University in Oxford, Ohio--- about 30 miles down the road from Richmond. I feel like I am "going home", and we are so excited to meet all of the other UKC All Stars from other parts of the country.

In addition to continuing in agility, we have intentions of starting to participate in UKC Rally Obedience in the future.

Rusty lives in Wichita, Kansas with his two uncles, Beau and Jeff--both currently age 13 and both still in very good health. Both are retired AKC agility dogs holding a total of 25 AKC agility titles between them. In fact, Beau was "un-retired" from agility in February 2010, and has begun to compete in the Veterans Class of UKC agility. In two weekends, he completed his U-AG 1 and U-AG 11 titles. He is so happy to be back in the ring. Beau's return to the ring has been good for Rusty as well---a little bit of jealousy and sibling rivalry never hurts!

Rusty loves to ride in the boat and swim. He no

Fleas 101

By Julie Borst Reed

If you would really like the answer as to how to live with dogs and not fleas, know that reading this is just the first step. It is very hard and dedicated work to achieve a flea-free existence in most areas of the world when you live with a dog. If you want the real answers and not just the shortcuts of kibble dog foods fed and chemical toxins placed directly onto your pet, then you won't be wasting your time reading further. Please know that changing my dogs' diet to a fresh, raw source did make a huge difference in my dogs' health. Parasites are less likely to harbor on or in a healthy host.

Short synopsis to entice you: Just wash your dog and clean the house and patrol the yard. Don't walk the dog out of your environment during the height of the flea season without washing him immediately when returning. Wash the dog regularly and condition well even within the same week. Top showdogs on occasion, are washed many times within a week without damage to the (Poodle) coats. Good shampoos are used two, sometimes three times, on some showdogs each week.



Tiara D'Aire demonstrates how the show dogs do it.

longer hunts, as we have retired the older boys and ourselves from that sport, but Rusty has had many wonderful "bird" chases in the field and backyard. In fact, the presence of birds in the facilities which host agility trials has caused us to have several "interesting" and memorable runs, combining the two sports of agility and field work!

Our agility coach says that Rusty suffers from the "3-I Syndrome" ---he is "Intelligent, Inquisitive, and Independent". Those qualities, combined with his general joy in living, make Rusty an eternal pup--he will never "grow up" and I really do not think that I want him to! It is an honor and a privilege to step to the line each time I begin a run with Rusty, but more importantly, I simply cannot imagine life without him. No matter what we may do in the competitive arena, he is my pet first, and will of course, at the end of each day, lay his head on my shoulder and dream puppy dreams.

Joan C. Davis

Photograph courtesy of Steve Bull, Sirius Photography

Keep your environment clean. All laundry washed and put away. All floor surfaces cleaned daily if you need to. Hire help if you need to.



Aire shows how NOT to help while keeping things clean.

Do not spray any toxins in your home or outdoor environment if you or someone in the home is pregnant or trying to become pregnant, if you have small children or a pregnant or lactating bitch or puppies less than 5 months of age.

Please use what you can of my experience to benefit your trusting dog(s).

Fleas 101

Instead of using a neurotoxin, such as "ADVANTAGE" directly on your pets, please consider trying the following steps FIRST:

1) Clean, bathe your pet, his bed, his environment at least every 7-10 days thoroughly. The flea egg - to - flea cycle is 10 - 14 days. If your dog has free reign of your home, that means all the floor surfaces, all the bedding he comes near, everything must be kept



cleaned each week. Those 10-14 days is the shortest time it takes for the egg to flea cycle, but fleas may stay cocooned for reportedly a year at a time waiting for the vibration that awakens them that their first blood meal has arrived.

2) Keep your environment free of stray animals (a very TALL fence helps). Keep the yard in lush lawn without bare spots, weeds or tall grasses. Utilize cement runs for the dogs if necessary to give the regular grass lawn a break. If you have acreage, keep the dog in a smaller, easier to monitor area most of the time. Give the big runs on the acreage the day of or preferably just before their bath, especially during the height of flea season.

3) Remove carpet and/or bark mulch from your pet's environment. Cement in any cracks in low decks, cement under taller decks, cement between bricks if that is a patio, consider sealing bricks and cement - keep all floors and stuffed furniture very clean. You must clean the entire floor surfaces of your home including the cracks where the wall meets the floors. Items that may be piled on the floor need to be removed and the floor cleaned where possible. Do not permit clothes to be piled up or anything in the way of your cleaning under beds. The goal is all floor surfaces save for under a tight, to-the-floor cabinet, MUST be accessible and able to be cleaned (vacuumed, mopped whatever is needed). These are all places that flea larvae flourish. Make it difficult for them! These are also all the places the Boric Acid Powder or the Precor need to be placed if treating the environment (see suggestion # 6 below and consider BEFORE resorting to the direct chemical to the pet solution).

4) Walk your dog on pavement only. Avoid streets where lawns are not perfect. Keep your dog's head out of shrubs and off and away from sandy-soiled yards. Cat "hangouts" or a place you suspect a skunk or opossum to be are most likely hotbeds for flea eggs/larvae and the dreaded cocoons. . . These can hatch in an instant once they feel your pet's vibration of walking where the flea is cocooned . . .



*NOT a good place to sniff!
Bebe (Tiara Bonita Mia) knows it, too.*

5) Learn [details about the life cycle of the flea](#)*. The larval stage is the most vulnerable and your target. They eat skin cells, bits of food, and etc. deep in your carpet or the cracks of your flooring. They also flourish in wood shavings, semi-bare spots in the

yard's turf or around shrubs. Cracks in cement or brick patios are also safe havens for the flea larvae. They HAVE to have the right temperature to flourish and the right amount of moisture too. Study, know your enemy.

6) If you still have carpet and pets, have Boric Acid Powder placed in the carpet and stuffed furniture. You can do this yourself or hire someone. There used to be a successful company here called Flea Busters that would guarantee this more holistic flea infestation preventative treatment of your home for a year.

Another, more harsh chemical treatment, Precor can be used, IF you still have carpet and are not yourself pregnant and if there are not small children, young puppies or pregnant/lactating bitches and you feel that you could tolerate a bit of stronger chemical in your environment (especially if you still have carpeting – ugh – why do you still have carpeting?) spray your environment AFTER doing all the above steps 1-5, spray: all floor surfaces, under beds, closet floors, etc. and all yard areas, garage, etc. with this chemical called Precor. This is best done by a professional exterminator. Do not vacuum afterwards for several days. Let the Precor work those larvae! Same with if you put down the Boric Acid Powder, do not vacuum for a few days. You may find that you need to do this environment treatment only once or twice a year if you keep the dogs clean and out of flea hotbeds. April and September are good months to start and then only in September when you get a handle on this. Consider limiting the dog to areas of the home without carpeting.

7) Accomplish ALL the ABOVE, and if the project is still a failure and you can not move to a safer location or renovate the existing premises, THEN consider a small dose of Advantage as the very last resort. Make certain to wear gloves per the instructions on the label, as it is a neurotoxin and can cause convulsions in sensitive people or pets. Try the small cat dose on your dogs first. It may work! My holistic vet suggests this as the last resort in flea “control” if all the steps thus far do not work for you, he recommends you consider the lowest dose available for cats. This is not to be used on young puppies or nursing/lactating bitches ever. If that small cat dose does not work, then go to the larger cat dose. . . . Better to dose every 4 weeks with the cat dose than at all with the dog product. Better to actually work on caring for your pet better by keeping them protected from a flea infestation in the first place by working to keep their environment clean and non-hospitable to fleas. But alas, not everyone has the same priorities. Do not reapply one of these types of products to your pet EVER until you may see a flea.

8) If you still can't get the fleas under control, something is wrong in your execution and most



likely your environment is being compromised by an outside influence. Fleas do not migrate except on host mammals. The flea eggs fall to the ground off and around their hosts. Check your yard(s) that your dog regularly uses with a flash of light (and perhaps a hose handy) in the middle of the night. Chase any varmint or stray cat intruders and do this anytime you happen to get up in the middle of the night and have the determination to protect your environment from flea infestation. Do this with no routine or rhyme or reason as to when the lights go on. Intruders soon find another yard. Caution: do not be too demanding if the intruder is wearing a black suit with some white stripes. Skunks, opossum, rabbits and stray cats are the biggest threat to penetrating your environment and bringing in a new batch of fleas. Fence well and patrol.

Now, I know all of this is hard work, because I have done all of this for the love of my dogs and to avoid the chemicals applied directly to my dogs. I have never had to place toxins on my dogs either in a topical application or a flea dip and at all times, I am living with a half dozen dogs. Please note: most human shampoos kill fleas because most of the products have a mild detergent. Actually most shampoo products have more detergent in them than my dogs' shampoos I use! Doc Ackerman's Orange Crème Shampoo is one of the most delightful shampoos. I use it regularly on my dogs and recommend it.

Upcoming Shows

Hosted by UPBA

Rally Obedience and Obedience Trials

Hickory, NC

In conjunction with AHTA

October 9-10

Rally Judge: Robert Rood
Obedience Judge: Marianne Higgs

Show Secretary:

Gloria Ogdahl
gogdahl@verizon.net

Additional Show details will be provided as they become available.



*Lovey bathed, pretty
and flea-free!*

I live in a flea hot spot with perfect weather/ moisture for the larvae to flourish. I was able to stop spraying the Precor once a year, when I started to feed my dogs a raw diet. As a last resort, even if you are against the raw diet, at least get the grains out of your trusting carnivores and consider the new

EVO kibble diet perhaps. Raw feeding is just a step away and is available everywhere meat is sold. ;)

Study and achieve the best in:

Diet for Your Dog & Environment Cleanliness – ALL before placing that nasty set of chemicals on your beloved pet. Please. Please don't just take that shortcut.

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Gray Summit, MO

[Purina Farms*](#)

October 30

UKC Gateway National event will be hosted on October 29, 30 and 31, 2010.

UPBA Judge: John Davidson

Show Chair:

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Show Secretary:

Natalie Hefner
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* <http://www.purinaproclub.com/eventcenter?dcmp=icl-pur-evt%20center>



Honor To Whom Honor Is Due

2009 Top Ten Poodle

1

GRCH De Ray's Star Quarterback

Owned by: David Anderson and J Ray Johnson

Top Ten Points: 40

2



GRCH Argenta' Surfin' Safari

Owned by: Balynda Brown

Bred by: Ann Addison

Top Ten Points: 32

3

GRCH Rochars N'argenta's Viper



Owned by: Balynda Brown and Shannon Coleman

Bred by: Ann Addison

Top Ten Points: 31

4

CH Keja's Sodona Red

Owned by: Ralph E Sweet

Top Ten Points: 22

5



GRCH Sharbelle Tommy Bahama

AKC CH. Sharbelle Sonora Diamond Jim x Sharbelle Solitaire

Owned by: Lorraine Tayeb and Carol Thurgood

Bred by: Ray and Sharon Stevens

Top Ten Points: 20

Tommy is a multiple group winner. Top Ten placement 2010 & 2009.
He is AKC pointed and owner handled.

6

CH Benroyal Spirit Of Cherity

Owned by: Ronnie M Benware

Top Ten Points: 17

6



GRCH Cynpams Molly Pitcher

AKC CH. Cynpams Patriot x AKC/CAN/UKC Ch. Claydon's Wynd Chyme

Owned and bred by: Pamela Woods and Antoinette Woods

Top Ten Points: 17

8

GRCH Cynpam's Just The Facts

AKC/CAN Ch. Claydon's Next Impression x Cynpams Don't Spillthebeans

Owned and bred by: Cynthia Woods or Pamela Woods

Top Ten Points: 15

9



CH Argenta Blue Bentley

Owned and bred by: Ann L Addison

Top Ten Points: 11

9



GRCH Celest-brio Silver Spitfire

CH Cabryn City Slicker x Celest Feebie

Owned by: Deena Mapley

Bred by: Elaine Graybill and Sally Hess (Sire)

Top Ten Points: 11

UKC 2008 #1 Top Ten Poodle in her class; 2 Time BIMBS Wins; Multi Reserve BIMBS Wins; Numerous Group Wins. We showed just 4 times in 2009 and had no competition in two of those shows, yet we still made it to the Top Ten



Poodle M/C

1



GRCH Acapella N'ecola Midnight Lace

Teray's On The Road Again x Acapella's Let's Talk About Me

Owned by: Judy Acker

Bred by: Jamie Styger

Top Ten Points: 31

2



GRCH Sandpipers Bonnie Blue

Funtime's Idol Ruben x Crystal Sue Reavis

Owned by: Michelle Golding

Bred by: Christy Nelson

Top Ten Points: 23

Bonnie is currently #1 in the 2010 Top Ten..
She has won multiple Best of Breeds and several group firsts.
She has also been in the Top Ten multiple times, winning the
Top Ten Award of Excellence in 2008.

3



GRCH Sisco's Raisin' Cane At Ecola

Sisco's Shebang-Bang x Sisco's Little Dots N Dashes

Owned by: Judy Acker

Bred by: Karen Sisco

Top Ten Points: 17

4



CH Benet Cowboy Jackson

UCH Benet Sweet Madaline x Sisco's Curious George

Owned and Bred by: Janice S Bennett

Top Ten Points: 14

He finished in only one weekend, the weekend of the UPBA Specialty.



5



CH Sandpipers The Dealer Takes All

Parti Time's Kiss The Girls x GRCH Sandpipers Bonnie Blue

Owned and Bred by: Michelle Golding
Top Ten Points: 11

Reno went to his first show August 1-2, 2009 in Winston-Salem, NC. There he beat his mother 3 times and won 3 best of breeds and 3 best of winners to earn his Championship in 3 shows.

6

CH Benroyal Chloe'

Owned by: Ronnie M Benware
Top Ten Points: 8

7

CH Benroyal Bling Bling

Owned by: Ronnie M Benware
Top Ten Points: 7

8

CH Wp's Orpheus In Red Velvet

Owned by: Katharine Dokken
Top Ten Points: 6

8

CH Paisley's I Truely Adore U

Owned by: Patricia Hartman and Priscilla Suddard
Top Ten Points: 6

8

CH Poetrys Parti Animal

Owned by: Christie Murphy
Top Ten Points: 6



Standard Poodle

1



GRCH Tiara Frappuccina

Baroque Romeo x Tiara Karisma

Owned and Bred by: Julie Borst Reed and Kirk Stephen Reed
Top Ten Points: 143

2



Am. Can. Int. UKC GRCH Astrae Speedster

Ch. Torchlight Spelltacular x Am. Can. UKC GRCH Boxwood Blueberry

Owned by: Joyce C Wilson
Bred by: Joyce C Wilson and Christine Nethery
Top Ten Points: 139

Bailey finished his American championship at 16 months then went on to finish his Canadian championship. In limited showing he placed 2nd in Top 10 for 2009. He's won multiple Best In Shows. Bailey finished his International championship with 4 back to back group 1st. and a RBS

3

GRCH Marquis Diamond Miss Conduct

Owned by: Susan R Cook and Brian R Cook
Top Ten Points: 82

4



GRCH E'clat's Lady Luck

AKC CH Peckerwood's Man from LaMarka x GRCH UCDX Jazz It Up II CGC CDX

Owned and Bred by: Jennifer Lorenzen
Top Ten Points: 62

She has received multiple group placements and wins.

5



GRCH Countryside Vote For Me

Graphic Micah x Hallelujah Ritzy Ebony

Owned by: Kathleen Esio-King
Bred by: Sheryl Knight
Top Ten Points: 60

Pedro earned his Championship first weekend out including a Group 4th. Next weekend out, he won two legs towards his Grand and a Group 3rd at Michigan Classic. He had his Grand CH by nine months and won an AOM at Premier at the age of ten months. He has had several group placements, including five group first, and four points towards his AKC Ch out of the puppy class.



6



CH Highfalutin' Happiness Is Huffish

FCI INTL/SUCH/POLCH Huffish On Every Street x
AKC/CAN/UKC/INTL CH Vetset Highfalutin Has It All

Owned and Bred by: Maggie Laney
Top Ten Points: 40

She has won RBIS, several Gun Dog Group wins and placements as a puppy. After being retired for 1 1/2 years, she was brought out for one weekend of "fun" at the largest UKC shows ever held on the West Coast. There, she took several BOB and multiple Gun Dog Groups wins, attained 4 passes to her GRCH over 5-6 other entries in the Champion Class AND earned the #6 spot in the Top Ten!



7

RCH Cypress Scheherazade Front Page

GRCH Scheherazade Five Star General x CH Finesse A Winter's Tale

Owned by: Linda Howard or David Welsh
Bred by: David Welsh
Top Ten Points: 36

Paige has won multiple Best in Show and Reserve Best in Show.

7



GRCH Prodigy's Freedom Of Speech

Marsan's Cruise Control x UKC CH BIMBS Arwen Marie Evenstar

Owned by: Heather Bryan and Patty Reid
Bred by: Heather Bryan and Sandi Savedra
Top Ten Points: 36

She has had multiple Group 1st and 2nd placements, including a Canadian Puppy Group 1st.

9

GRCH Admiration Come Fly With Me

Owned by: Lucy Tyler and Frank Geck
Top Ten Points: 35

10

GRCH Alatiara Because

Romeo's Solo Del Belcanto Allegro x Kirley Alatiara Clarabella

Owned by: Julie Borst Reed and Kirk S Reed
Top Ten Points: 34



Standard Poodle M/C

1



GRCH Prodigy's Stone Cold Sober

Prodigy'N Marsan's Cruise Control x Prodigy's Cloud 9 From Kitsue

Owned by: Denise Spotila and Heather Bryan
Bred by: Heather Bryan and Gary Chris Brown
Top Ten Points: 98

He has received multiple Group #1-4 placements, including a Group #3 and #4 at Premier 2009.

2



URO1 UCD GRCH Prairiedogs' Ballroom Dancer

Te-Awa's Bronzed Star x URO1 UCD GRCH Prairiedogs' Shadow Dancer RN RA

Owned and Bred by: Karen L Scopel and Midge A Tucker
Top Ten Points: 89

He has received 2 BIS, 1 RBIS, Multiple GR1 and other Group placements.
He has also received 4 Total Dog Awards and BOB at the 2009 UPBA Specialty

3

GRCH Shammy Naduah's Red Butler

Owned by: Christie Murphy

Top Ten Points: 49

4



GRCH Aden Paves The Way By J Ray

Kit-Sue's Edge Of Reality x J Rays Thats Some Liberty Bell

Owned by: Beth L Coniglio

Bred by: Nancy Lou Hill

Top Ten Points: 26

Aden achieved his Grand Championship and #4 Top Ten Standing
in just 3 months (September—November)!

5

CH Bonjohn's I Stand Too Please

Owned by: Bonnie Lee Buckley

Top Ten Points: 24

6

CH Monets Whispering Magic 4 Natalie

Owned by: Natalie Hefner and Patty Reid

Top Ten Points: 22

7

UWP GRCH Hls Pippi Longstockings

Owned by: Kathie Butts

Top Ten Points: 21



8

CH Gaushofs Danny Boy To Kings Kids

Owned by: Lenora Kay Waide

Top Ten Points: 18

9

CH Sisco's Helter Skelter

Owned by: Judy Schmidt and Karen Sisco

Top Ten Points: 15

10

CH Bonjohn's Shades Of Whisperin

Owned by: Bonnie Lee Buckley

Top Ten Points: 11

Obedience Open All Stars

26

UCDX CH White Crest Ethan Causin A Storm

Poodle

Owned by: Louise Meyers and Ruth Meyers

New Jersey

All Star Points: 28

Agility All Stars

UGRACH 2 Joans Precious Rusty Deshler



Poodle

Owned by: Joan C Davis, Kansas

Agility II—#29 with 148 points

Agility III—#40 with 90 points

UGRACH6 Mar-B's Lucky Draw Number Six

Poodle

Owned by: Harold W Kohlman, Texas

Agility I—#13 with 252 points

Agility II—#14 with 208 points

Agility III—#22 with 145 points

UGRACH8 CH Freewyn Beowulf

Poodle

Owned by: Harold W Kohlman, Texas

Agility I—#15 with 246 points

Agility II—#10 with 228 points

Agility III—#16 with 158 points

UACH Ms. Audrey Morgan

Poodle

Owned by: Penny Morgan, Maryland

Agility I—#32 with 174 points

Agility II—#27 with 152 points

Congratulations to everyone for all of your accomplishments!

Our Poodles do stuff!



17th Annual Premier

July 9, 10, & 11, 2010

Visit www.ukcdogs.com for more information.





POODLE BREEDS SPECIALTY

SATURDAY—JULY 10, 2010

Hosted by
Multi-Colored Poodle Club of America

New UKC Premier Location
Wayne County Fairgrounds and Expo Center
861 Salisbury RD N, Richmond, Indiana

Solid and Multi-Colored Poodles of all sizes are eligible to enter!



Judge: Matthew Proctor

Day of Show Entries: 3:30 PM—4:30 PM
Show: 1/2 hour after Premier BIS

NL Classes Offered:

Stud Dog, Brood Bitch, Brace, Veteran, and Novice Puppy

Meet & Greet
Friday, July 9, 2010
6:30 PM

Pizza and beverages will be provided.



Pre-entries must be received by Thursday, July 1, 2010

Pre-entry fees: \$20
Day of Show fees: \$25
Non-licensed Class fees: (PE & DOS) \$10
Checks payable to : MCPCA

Event Secretary

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Wonderful ribbons and trophies!

**Welcome bags will be given to the first
50 exhibitors to enter!**

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Canine Sebaceous Adenitis Study



UC Davis

Date _____

Owner's Name _____

Address _____

State _____ Zip code _____ Email addresses _____

Phone _____ Dog's breed _____

Dog's registered name _____ Dog's call Name _____

Dog's Registration Number _____ Date of Birth _____ Date of submission _____

Please fill out this form for each dog submitted to the study.

Sex: (circle one) Intact Neutered Age at Spay/Neuter _____

Is this dog affected by sebaceous adenitis (SA)? No _____ Yes _____

If No, is this dog related to another animal that has suffered from SA? No _____ Yes _____

If Yes, what is the relationship? _____

If Yes, how has this dog been affected by sebaceous adenitis (SA)?

1. At what age did disease appear? _____ Mild, moderate or severe _____

Is currently on medication _____ Name of drug or drugs _____

How was the diagnosis made? Clinical appearance _____ Biopsy _____

2. Has never suffered from SA _____

3. This dog is not related to any dog that has developed SA (to my knowledge) _____

4. This dog is related to a dog or dogs that have developed SA _____ If yes, what is the relationship(s) _____

Please enclose a copy of the biopsy or other report that confirms the diagnosis of SA (if obtainable).

Mail form with blood or buccal swab to: Dr. Niels C. Pedersen

Room 213 CCAH building

UC Davis

One Shields Avenue

Davis, CA 95616

Canine Sebaceous Adenitis Study

Directions for collecting and shipping samples

The study will require two basic things: 1) an accurate diagnosis, and 2) a source of DNA. The preferred source for DNA is 5 ml of whole not clotted blood (EDTA) because it will yield the most DNA for the initial studies and any future studies that might spin off from it. Blood collection will require someone trained to take the sample into a sterile tube. This is usually a veterinarian. Some veterinarians will do this for no cost, especially if done as part of a yearly health examination or a recheck on a disease condition. Some veterinarians may charge a nominal fee for this service; especially if it is not part of a health check or disease recheck. Show them this form to confirm the participation of your dog in this study. Blood samples do not need to be refrigerated either prior to shipment or during shipment if they are mailed promptly by priority mail. If samples are held more than 48 hrs before mailing, please place them in the refrigerator (not freezer), and mail them priority mail with a small ice pack. Wrap the sample and ice pack in several layers of loose news paper for insulation.

If obtaining a whole blood sample is not possible, either for economic or other reasons, a buccal swab will suffice. It will provide ample DNA for the initial study, but may or may not yield DNA of sufficient amount and quality for future studies. Buccal swabs in dogs require a special brush (a Q tip will not suffice, as for cats). You can obtain a buccal swab kit from my assistant, Ms. Katy Robertson krrobertson@ucdavis.edu. A kit will be required for each dog sampled. There are 2-4 brushes per kit – use each one of them. Brush the inside of the cheek several times with some vigor (but not enough to cause bleeding). Use both cheeks. It is often helpful to have someone hold the dog so that you can concentrate on the brushing. Air dry the brushes overnight before placing them in a small paper envelope. Do not use plastic zip loc bags, as these will not prevent samples from drying.

Mail the blood sample(s) in a small crush proof container (not a padded envelope) to the address on the form. Buccal swabs can be mailed in regular envelopes. Remember to label each blood tube or brush kit with the name of the dog. Please include a filled out form for each dog sampled. An AKC registration number would be nice for the record and for any future research. Pedigrees would also be nice, but are not required at this point.

Tissue samples other than blood are not required. However, it is essential that the diagnosis of sebaceous adenitis be confirmed through histopathologic examination of the tissues. If you cannot afford the cost of having a licensed veterinary pathologist examine skin biopsies for the disease, arrangements can be made to have pathologists at UC Davis study the tissues. Have your veterinarian take biopsies as normal, fix them in formalin, but have them sent to me rather than to his/her regular veterinary pathologist. Digital pictures of the lesions from a distance (several feet) and close up would be helpful. Digital files can be included with these forms or emailed to me ncpedersen@ucdavis.edu.

Thank you for your cooperation.

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