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*The MCPCA (Multi-Colored Poodle Club of America) Official Newsletter
A UKC Sanctioned Club since May 5, 2005*

From The President's Desk.....



Hello MCPCA Members!!

March is here...and true to being a "LION" . Lets hope the weather breaks and we get some warm sunshine for a change. Our Poos love the snow, but I hate to clean up after they drag it indoors.

The Specialty is coming along very well. I think there is still room for trophy donations, and we can always use \$\$ towards buying ribbons/rosettes. With the addition of the licensed Alter classes, we will need to order additional ribbons. It's wonderful that UKC is making a new venue for the altered.

Judy Acker ecola@cox.net is doing hospitality

Gina and Lina refarm@att.net are keeping track of the trophy donations.

More \$\$ donations, contact **Maryann Beachene pbeachene@sbcglobal.net**. you can send a check, or use the PayPal acct :-)

Gloria and the Tintlet poodles

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NEW MEMBERS.....

No New Members for February...

.... but lots of Renewals!



From around the globe

CLUB NEWS.....

MCPCA is making plans for it's

2010 Poodle Breeds Specialty Show.

Any members interested in being involved with this special event and helping out at the specialty should please be in attendance at our **March meeting** via telephone or contact club president.....

Gloria Ogdahl

IMPORTANT REMINDER. Time to send in **Membership renewals.** Those who have joined since September 2009, your memberships are good through 2010.

Anyone renewing by check can send them directly to our club Treasurer at.....

You can also pay via paypal.

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SEE YOU THERE !!!!

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Next Meeting
-Monday-
March 1, 2010
9:00 p.m. EST



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UPCOMING EVENTS OF INTEREST....

MCPCA Poodle Breeds Specialty

Wayne County Fairgrounds in Richmond, Indiana

Saturday evening July 10, 2010

More details as they become available.



<http://www.ukcdogs.com/WebSite.nsf/WebPages/DEPREMIER2010>

HEALTH TESTING BRAGS....

from Lina Wainiola of Rivers Edge/Mosaic Poodles

UKC/Canadian CH Gandy Gidget De Noir
Thyroid MSU Normal

from Maggie Laney of Highfalutin' Poodles

AM/UKC CH Highfalutin' Hocus-Pocus At Kaylens
OFA Hips Excellent
Thyroid MSU Normal.

from Priscilla Suddard of Paisley Poodles

TSF Paisley's Ride a Cowboy aka "Spur"
LCP Clear

from Judy Schmidt and Karen Sisco

Sisco's Helter Skelter aka "Carley"
OFA CHIC# 62782



STANDARD POODLE BLOAT.....

For over 30 years owners and breeders of standard poodles have been concerned about the risk of bloat in their dogs.

The following is some general information, obtained from the Purdue University bloat study, to help you understand bloat in poodles.

There are three types of Bloat: Acute gastric dilation, torsion, and volvulus.

Bloat involves swelling of the stomach from gas, fluid or both. Once bloated, the stomach may twist along the axis. A twist of 180 degrees or less is called torsion. A twist of more than 180 degrees is called volvulus.

The signs and symptoms of nontorsional bloat are excessive salivation and drooling, attempts to vomit or poop, and extreme restlessness. The abdomen will also be swelled. If your dog is able to belch or vomit, more than likely the condition is not caused by a twist. The dog must be taken to a vet as soon as possible. The Vet will put a long plastic tube in the stomach to relieve the swelling. After the tube is inserted in the stomach, there will be a rush of air in the tube and your dog will feel instant relief.

Torsion or volvulus can be a life or death situation. The initial signs will be the same as nontorsional bloat except the signs of bloat will be greater. The dog will breathe much more rapidly, and will have a cold and pale mouth membrane or even collapse. This is caused by a strangulation of blood supply to the stomach and the spleen in torsion. A tube cannot be placed in the stomach in this situation and the only remedy is surgery.

This is why you should have this discussion with your vet before this happens. You need to know if your regular vet is capable of performing this procedure or if you will need to find another vet for emergency situations like bloat. Not being prepared can be a matter of life or death for your pet.

Over the years many things have been recommended and tried to prevent bloat. Until recently there has been little scientific evidence until the Purdue University bloat study.

What we used to think about bloat had been developed by breeders, owners and vets without any scientific studies to backup their beliefs. Some of the facts that the study at Purdue University concluded is that bloat can be caused by too much exercise on a full stomach, over eating, or swallowing air when eating. Prior to this study, it was thought that bloat could be prevented by feeding dry food or raising the dish above floor level.

The study found that restricting exercise before or after eating, restricting water intake before and after meals and feeding two or more meals per day to had no effect on bloat.

What the study did find is that there are 4 factors associated with increasing the risk of bloat. Raising the food more than doubled the risk of bloat. Dogs that eat fast as identified by their owners had a 38 percent increase of bloat. The study also concluded that age played a risk. A dogs' chance of bloat is increased 20 percent by each year of age, therefore; owners should be alert to signs of bloat as dogs age. The 4th is family history. A dog having a parent, sibling or offspring that have bloated increased the dogs' risk by 63 percent.

The Purdue research team also concluded that there are few things that can be done to prevent bloat. Their strongest recommendation is not to breed a dog that had a parent sibling or offspring that has had bloat.

As breeders this places a special responsibility on us but it also places a responsibility to the owners of our dogs to report back to us.

The other 2 recommendations are not to raise the feeding dish and to slow the dogs speed of eating.

Other findings from the study showed a 170 percent increase of risk of bloat in dogs that consumed dry foods containing fat in the first 4 ingredients of their food. The risk of bloat was increased by 320 percent in dogs that consumed dry foods containing citric acid. Dry dog food containing a rendered meat meal with bone among the first 4 ingredients increased bloat 53 percent.

I hope this article will help you recognize some of the signs of bloat and be prepared if this ever happens to your dog.

***Article Contributed By: Kelly Hefner**

New Additions.....

from Jacqui Mcleay of Kirada Poodles

We have a new addition at ***Kirada Poodles***.....

Our baby silver girl, ***Cashmere***, from Tia and Kingston.

Cashmere is officially called ***“Kirada A Pocketful Of Rainbows.”***



From Brenda Melillo of Faery Dae Poodles

Introducing Matilda.....



Member Activities and Fun Photos...

from Priscilla Suddard of Paisley Poodles



The article I contributed to the newsletter a couple months back about the **Puppy/kennel Trim** which featured "Dory".....was accepted for **Canadian Groomer** magazine. It's in the February issue which is put out by **Barkleigh publications** .



from Gina Wainiola of Rivers Edge/Mosaic Poodles

Maverick and I out enjoying an early evening **Winter Walk**.... we stopped to rest at the covered bridge.



from Maryann Beauchene

Took some pictures of my **SNOW DOG**.



For The of Poodles.....Crafting Fun

Create a Fluffy Pink Carnation Poodle

What you'll need.....

Styrofoam shapes
 1 (4 7/8") egg
 2 (3 1/2") balls
 3 (3"x1/2") disks
 4 (1 1/2") balls
 2 (1"x3") strips cut from 1/2" sheet
 60 (3") faux pink carnations
 Deco/Art acrylic paint
 (Pink, Brown, Black, White)
 Permanent Glue
 Pink felt
 Red felt
 Wooden Skewers, tooth picks or straight pins
 1 yd narrow pink ribbon
 12" (1/2") pink ribbon
 5 faux red jewels
 5 faux pink jewels
 4" red heart shape



Shaping the head—hold egg horizontally, slice across center about halfway down. Slightly above the pointed end, cut down to meet previous cut. Use scrap to smooth and round edges. Smooth edges of 2 disks (back legs) and foam strips (front legs) to round them.

Paint all foam pink.

When drying (refer to photo) paint eyes and nose using white, black and brown paint on head piece. Glue on a 3/4" red felt tongue

Cover top, sides and back of head with carnations. To do -Snip stem to 1/2", dab with glue and insert.

Create ears by cutting 2"x3" pear shaped pink felt. Remove backing from 2 carnations - glue one to each ear at bottom. Glue narrow ribbon bows to ear tops. Fasten ears to head with straight pins and glue.

To assemble poodle, use 2 wooden skewers or 2 toothpicks according to size of pieces. Dab glue on ends. Press into both pieces. Cut off any protruding ends.

Glue 1/2" ribbon around third disk. Add faux jewels. Fasten disk to one large ball. Cover ball with carnations. Fasten head above the disk. Attach second large ball below the first, first slicing off the bottom to flatten as a base.

Making the four paws— For each paw, remove backs from 2 carnations. Hold back to back and stick a toothpick through center. Stick a small ball to one end.

Fasten disks upright to sides of body at the bottom for back legs. Stick paws on front. Stick remaining paws to front legs made from the foam strips.

Glue styrofoam scrap to heart shape center back. Press a toothpick half way into poodle's chest area and then press the scrap and heart into it. Fasten front legs to body.

Making the tail - Glue 2 carnations over on end of 1"x6" pink felt. Glue other end to poodle.

AKC Show & Performance News.....

from Irma Shanahan

JCPioneer Shadow Chaser, aka "Chase"

showed at the double trials held by York Co. DTC at Red Lion, Pa.
He got a First Place finish in Open B on Saturday, Jan 30 with a 198.
This not only gave him his second First Place finish towards an OTCH title,.....
but our second first towards the three firsts needed towards an OTCH.....
it also gave him High in Trial and High Combined.
His combined score from Open B and Utility B was 392.5.

In the first trial we picked up our 17th UDX leg and a Second in Open B with a 196.
In the second trial, we earned our 18th UDX leg.
I haven't counted up the OM points yet, but it sure was nice!



from Patty Reid.....of Monet Standard Poodles

"Monets Epoch Smoke And Mirrors" aka Lusi earned her first AKC point !

She took Winners Bitch & BOW at a show in St. Louis, MO



Thanks so much to my friend, Natalie Hefner for showing her for me.

*Please remember to
share your fun
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testing brags and
show news with us.*



UKC Show News.....

from Maggie Laney of Highfalutin' Poodles

Feb 27, 2010 Nor Cal APBT Club Multi Breed Show, Rancho Cordova, CA

UKC CH Highfalutin' Hot Commodity,
aka **Reese**, won **BOB** (only entry),.....
then a **Gun Dog Group 1** and THEN...
a **Reserve Best In Show**
(only one Group not represented....
so it was a nice lineup)!

He is not quite 11 months old and going through his "I'm so happy and stupid" stage. So he can be a challenge in the ring! Hopefully these wins will be the only the first of many to come :-)

I love my Brown baby boy!



Feb 28, 2010

Nor Cal APBT Club Mutli Breed Show, Rancho Cordova, CA



UKC CH Highfalutin' Hard Candy Kisses, aka **Candy**,

followed in her brother Reese's pawprints from yesterday and won both Gun Dog Groups and then a Reserve Best In Show!

She is her Mommy's daughter, smart, sassy and full of herself.

I am so proud of these two kids!!

Canadian Show News.....

from Priscilla Suddardof Paisley Poodles

Loca's daughter **Paisley** went **BOB**
at the
Ontario Breeders Association show
under
Judge Bruce Marquette
for 2 points.
She only needs 2 more to finish!!!!



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Litter News

from.....Maggie Laney of "Highfalutin Standard Poodles"

Our little Phantom girl, *Ivy*, is expecting her first litter about March 15, 2010.



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RBIS U-GR CH Highfalutin' Hush Hush

Ivy is fully health tested and CHIC, She was bred to, *Deacon*, who is also fully tested and we are waiting on his CHIC confirmation.



AKC CH Forever 5-Star Good News

We are very excited about this litter and anxiously awaiting their arrival!

Other news from Highfalutin' Poodles.....

AM/UKC CH Highfalutin' Hocus-Pocus At Kaylens passed OFA Hips with an Excellent and MSU Thyroid Normal. Yeah! All her testing is now completed and we are planning to breed her on her upcoming heat

www.highfalutinpoodles.com





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*If any members have
ideas for future
practical poodle
postscripts be sure to
share your
suggestions with the
newsletter staff*

PRACTICAL POODLE POSTSCRIPT

ASPCA Winter Weather Pet Safety Tips

Pune Draker, ASPCA

Hot Dog, It's Cold Outside!

If temperatures are dropping and snow is in the forecast in your neck of the woods, the ASPCA recommends the following tips to keep your animal companions safe and sound:

Never let your dog off leash on snow or ice, especially during a snowstorm. Canines may lose their scent in winter weather, and can easily become lost. In fact, more dogs are reported lost during this time of the year than in any other season, so make sure yours always wears proper identification.

Provide your companion animal with a warm place to sleep, far away from drafts and off the floor. Dog and cat beds with a warm blanket or pillow are especially cozy.

Wipe off your dog's legs and belly when she comes in out of the elements. This will remove any salt, antifreeze or other harmful chemicals that could hurt your dog should she ingest them when licking her paws.

Puppies can't handle the cold as well as adult dogs, and may be more difficult to housebreak during the winter.

If you own a short-haired breed, consider getting a warm coat or sweater for your dog. Look for one with a high collar or turtleneck that covers your dog from the base of her tail on top and to the belly underneath. While this may seem like a luxury, it is a necessity for many dogs.

Never leave your dog or cat alone in a car during cold weather. A car can act as a refrigerator in the winter, holding in the cold. Your companion animal could freeze to death.

If your dog is sensitive to the cold due to age, illness or breed type, take him outdoors only long enough to relieve himself.

If your dog spends a lot of time engaged in outdoor activities, increase his supply of food, particularly protein, to keep his fur thick and healthy.

Antifreeze, even in very tiny doses, is a lethal poison for dogs and cats. Because of its sweet taste, animals are attracted to it. Be sure to thoroughly clean up any spills from your vehicle. To prevent accidental poisonings, more and more people are using animal-friendly products that contain propylene glycol rather than the traditional products containing ethylene glycol. Call your veterinarian or The ASPCA National Animal Poison Control Center (ASPCA/NAPCC) if you suspect your animal has been poisoned

Never shave your dog down to the skin in winter. Leave the coat in a longer style, which provides more warmth. Remember that such a style will require more frequent brushing due to dry winter air and static electricity.

When you bathe your dog, make sure she is completely dry before you take her out for a walk.

*Courtesy of ASPCA 424 East 92nd St. New York, NY 10128-6804 (212) 876-7700
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