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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!!

Wow, January is almost over.

What a cold spell!! EEEEEKKKKKK.and winter is only half over.

Announcement for Premier 2010 !!

The UKC website has posted the Judges for the regular conformation classes and Top Ten.

Maryann forwarded me our paperwork, and it's almost ready to send in.

We will be showing on Sat evening July 10, 2010 after Sat Best In Show

Our Judge will be Mathew Proctor :-)

The show committee will be working on details, classes,etc.

If anyone would like to be on a show committee, please contact me ASAP.

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NEW MEMBERS.....

New Members for January 2010

Judy Kozora
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&
Judy McAtee
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From around the globe

CLUB NEWS.....

MCPCA is making plans for it's

2010 Poodle Breeds Specialty Show.

Any members interested in being involved in the planning of this special event and helping out at the specialty should please be in attendance at our **February 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-
February 1, 2010
9:00 p.m. EST**



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UPCOMING EVENTS OF INTEREST....

Safer Pet Vaccination and Health Care: A Benefit Seminar March 28, 2010 in San Diego, CA

Are you over-vaccinating your pet, even giving unnecessary or potentially dangerous shots? Would you know if you were?

World-renowned pet vaccination experts, Drs. Jean Dodds and Ron Schultz, will speak at the Del Mar Hilton at a day-long seminar March 28, 2010. Having raised the issue of over-vaccination decades ago, these two experts have been instrumental in changing the vaccination protocols of major veterinary organizations, schools and vets throughout the world.

Dr. Schultz will speak on "What Every Pet Owner Should Know About Vaccines and Vaccination Programs."

Dr. Dodds will discuss "Managing and Treating Adverse Vaccine Reactions," titer testing, blood tests for wellness and more.

Both speakers will answer your questions during a roundtable Q & A session

All proceeds (less direct costs) benefit the Rabies Challenge Fund Charitable Trust, a nonprofit working to prove the duration of immunity conveyed by the rabies vaccine with the goal of increasing the period between rabies shots from 3 years to 5, then 7. They are also working to establish a blood "titer standard" to provide a scientific basis to avoid unnecessary rabies booster vaccination. The rabies vaccine can cause autoimmune disease, skin and digestive disorders, injection site tumors, behavior changes and other adverse reactions.

This benefit seminar will include breakfast and lunch and a bag of Nature's Variety dog or cat food. There will also be surprise pet care demonstrations plus live and silent auction items like consultations with holistic vets, pet products and services, dog training and much more.

Tickets are \$115, or \$100 until February 1, 2010. Group discounts are available. To purchase tickets, donate, volunteer to help with the event or learn more, please visit www.PetSeminar.org or call 858-755-8820. **Seating is limited.**

Fun Photos.....

from Patty Reid of "Monet Standard Poodles"

Here is "*Monet's Epoch Smoke And Mirrors,*" or **Lusi** to her friends.
She is a parti factored blue.



She is growing coat to show.
Her new nickname is *Twiggy* now!



GDV – A Chronicle.....

By Charlene Dunlap

Few afflictions kill an otherwise healthy dog as quickly as **Gastric Dilation (bloat) and Volvulus (torsion), or GDV**. Only the luckiest survive with minimal damage. On December 15, 2009, my Standard Poodle Sydney bloated and torsioned. Anyone who has had the misfortune of witnessing a dog with GDV can attest to the horrifying and devastating nature of the experience.

Monday, prior to the event, Sydney had had diarrhea and her gut was very active and loud. This was highly unusual as her gastrointestinal system has always been extremely healthy. Imodium helped and by Tuesday afternoon she seemed better; however, there were still noisy rumblings in her gut. It is unclear whether or not her intestinal distress had any relevance for what was to come.

December 15, 2009 Tuesday – Day One

Tuesday evening after I had fed the dogs and cleaned the kitchen, my husband Glenn and I settled in front of the TV to watch *So You Think You Can Dance*. Suddenly, Sydney shot out from the open crate between our two recliners and tried to vomit. We leapt to her side as she dry-retched three times. As she had eaten less than an hour earlier, the amount of effort expended should have produced results. Standing squarely with head lowered, lips pulled back and down, she was clearly in distress.

There was no hardness or swelling in her belly area; however, when I put my hands on either side of her ribcage, I noticed a sort of sponginess. Having long known about, but never before experiencing, the horrors of GDV, I feared the worst. "Call Sydney's doctor," I directed, "and ask her for the location of the nearest emergency hospital."

Within five minutes, Glenn, Jyah (our other Standard Poodle), Sydney, and I were in the van headed for an emergency specialty hospital, a 45-minute trip. Blinkers flashing, we sped down the highway. En route, Glenn phoned the hospital to expect us.

Sydney lay quietly. She did not whimper, pant, or breathe in a labored manner. Nor did she try to vomit again. She seemed almost calm . . . unlike Glenn and me. Fearful thoughts snaked through my brain and constricted my throat: my words wafted out thin and shrunken, withering before they reached Glenn's ears.

I pulled up to the hospital entry, and Glenn quickly carried Sydney inside while I parked the van. Jyah and I joined them in a waiting room where a technician asked us about Sydney's symptoms. As we spoke, Sydney stood with head down, eyes dilated, panting. On either side of her tongue, underneath and running the length on both sides, engorged veins bulged out like fat red worms.

The technician took Sydney for x-rays while we paced the floor. Twenty minutes later, a doctor gave us the results – gastric dilatation-volvulus syndrome. She had bloated and torsioned. He told us that surgery was required to save Sydney's life, and then asked us to take care of the financials beforehand, apologizing for this necessity. He also asked our permission to relieve the pressure in Sydney's abdomen by inserting a needle, explaining that this procedure could possibly damage her spleen. He said that Sydney would need to remain in the hospital for from three to five days. After information was imparted, papers signed, and \$3,000.00 paid, a specialty surgeon was called, and Sydney was prepped for surgery.

Glenn, Jyah, and I huddled together in the lobby to wait. At midnight, the doctor, a board certified surgeon, came out to tell us that, for a bloat/torsion case, Sydney had the best possible outcome: there was no dead/dying organ tissue, no compromised spleen, and no loss of part of her stomach. He said they had also preformed prophylactic gastropexy (stomach tacking), a procedure done to help prevent gastric torsion, or twisting of the stomach, in the future. (However, this is not a guarantee.) (Due to the high incident of bloat in Standard Poodles, many owners automatically have the stomach tacked when a female is spayed.)

We were then allowed to visit Sydney in the recovery room. Still unconscious, she was lying flat in a large steel cage, her dry, red, crusted tongue lolling out the side of her mouth. She was wrapped in blankets. I fought back tears as I wanted her to feel only our calm, loving presence. I reached through the bars and gently stroked her face, telling her how much we all loved her. Whining softly, Jyah nosed Sydney's foot. We all sent Sydney thoughts of love and healing, and we left, arriving home at 2:00 a.m.

None of us slept that night.



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GDV con't....

December 16, 2009 – Wednesday – Day Two

Glenn, Jyah, and I arrived promptly at 11:00 a.m. for visiting hours. Given the magnitude of Sydney's ordeal, we expected our visit to be restricted to a short time in the recovery room; however, a technician walked Sydney out to the lobby on leash. We knelt to greet her, and she managed a weak tail wag. Her midsection was entirely wrapped in gauze over wound with strips of green and red Vet wrap. We were invited to sit with Sydney in a room that was painted in pastel shades: the walls were lined with sofas and dog beds, and there was a thick rug covering the floor. Before leaving, the technician told us that Sydney had been very agitated since coming out of the anesthesia; that she kept digging and jumping against the cage. The technician said she hoped Sydney could finally get some rest with us, and she left, closing the door. For the next three hours, Sydney lay next to Glenn with one foot hooked over his leg, assuring herself that he would be unable to leave without her.

Pictures: #1 at hospital and #2 at hospital..... see right

When talking to the technician, Glenn had mentioned that Sydney was a highly trained actress, and that Sydney and Jyah had several movie clips on their own website, and he gave her the URL.

Embarrassed, I said, "Sweetheart, she's not interested in that." However, she was interested, and it played an important part in what happened later that day.....

Visiting hours were over at 1:00 p.m. and we left figuring on returning at 7:00 to spend the evening visiting hours with Sydney. She had rested most of her time with us, and we hoped she would be calmer after we left. However, she was not calmer.

That evening we returned at 7:00, and once again Sydney was brought to the lobby. We asked if we could stay with her in the same room as before. The technician told us that we had been in the euthanasia room, and that she would check to make sure it was empty. My chest constricted. It made me slightly nauseous to think we had been with Sydney, whose health was seriously compromised, in a room where grief and pain was impregnated in the very walls.

However, by the time I processed this, we were at the door, and the technician ushered us in. She immediately told us how badly Sydney had been behaving. She said no matter what her caretakers tried that Sydney continued to fight her confinement by digging, straining, and jumping up . . . all extremely detrimental to her recovery. Then she suggested that Sydney might be better off recuperating at home – if we were willing to take the responsibility. (Of course we were!) She said it was extremely unusual to let a patient go home so soon after this type surgery but that she would talk to the surgeon about it.

Then, before leaving, she smiled and told us that earlier, while some of the technicians and nurses were on their break, they had watched Jyah and Sydney's movies on the Internet; that they had popped popcorn and made an event of it. She said that from seeing the movies and from looking through the website, she knew we were extremely caring "parents". Glenn cut me a look that said, "See, it helps when people know about you."

Shortly thereafter, the surgeon came in. He said he did not recommend Sydney going home but that he would approve her release under the circumstances, and he directed us to take Sydney to our own veterinarian the following day. Within half an hour, we were given instructions and medical supplies, had settled up, signed out, and were on our way. We arrive home just in time to see who won the finale on *So You Think You Can Dance*.

Things did not go smoothly that night. Even with pain pills, any food or water on Sydney's stomach caused her pain. Lying on multiple comforters on the floor next to Glenn, she cried all night. Not being able to ease her pain was extremely anxiety-producing for both of us, and by morning Glenn and I were both running on nerves alone. Jyah seemed equally distressed by Sydney's discomfort.



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GDV con't....

December 17, 2009 – Thursday – Day Three

We have had the same veterinarians for the past ten years. After reviewing the fax sent from the hospital, examining Sydney's incision, and listening to our account of the events, our veterinarian sent us home with a prescribed course of actions, one of which was to give Sydney two bags of fluid subcutaneously daily for the next several days. (This caused her to be incontinent during sleep and we had to keep a diaper on her.)

Doing a subcutaneous procedure was new to us. We were shown how to make a little "tent" in the skin at the back of Sydney's neck, to insert the large gauge needle carefully so as not to puncture anything besides skin, and to keep the supply line from crimping. As the fluid flowed under the skin, it formed a large, squishy "ball" which we were to gently massage around the edges so the fluid would flow more easily under the skin throughout the body.



Pictures: #1 fluid bag – #2 fluids sub-cutaneously

That night, Sydney slept very well.
(I know because I was half-awake all night watching her.)

Our first five days revolved around caring for Sydney:

Buprenorphine injection for pain every 12 hours, one Tramadol 50mg tablet for pain every 12 hours (half-way between the injections), a few spoonfuls of l/d food with homemade chicken broth every four hours, Sucralfate (a stomach coating pill) every 12 hours, 20 mg Pepcid AC every 12 hours (given half-way between the stomach coating pills), 5 ml fluids subcutaneously every 8 hours. All of these were carefully regulated throughout the day and night.



After the third day, we no longer bandaged and wrapped Sydney's midsection as our veterinarian said the incision needed to be open to the air. However, we decided to keep a clean tee-shirt (with sleeves removed) on her, pinned up so as to keep her incision from touching any other surface but yet still allowing air to circulate. To avoid having to use an Elizabethan collar, we decided to keep the tee-shirt on her so she could not bother her incision until her staples were removed. (It worked.)



Each day, we cleaned the incision with chlorhexidine-soaked sponges and then sprayed it with a first aid spray that contained 20% benzocaine for pain and itch relief and 0.13% triclosan (an antiseptic).

December 19, 2009 – Saturday – Day

Our veterinarian told us that, if all went well, by day five Sydney should show a marked improvement. However, we were to continue keeping her on a leash everywhere she went for the next four weeks . . . that she must not be allowed to play, jump, run, or do anything that might cause a set-back in her recovery.

**Pictures:
#3 incision- day 4
#4 cleaning incision
5 tee-shirt covering**

GDV con't....

December 21, 2009 – Monday – Day Six

By our second checkup with our veterinarian, Sydney showed marked improvement. We were instructed to cut back the pain meds by half, to discontinue subcutaneous fluids unless she did not drink enough liquids, and then, within the following week, to phase out all medications. Sydney's incision was healing without incident and the staples were scheduled to be removed on the 28th – Monday following the Christmas holidays. Food intake was cut down to four small meals a day – a permanent schedule.



Picture: #1 Sydney and Jyah Day 12

December 25, 2009 – Christmas Day

We gave thanks for our Christmas present . . . the continued presence of Sydney in our lives.

December 28, 2009 – Monday – Day 13

On entering the examining room at the clinic, Jyah and Sydney immediately began sniffing the table and the floor. I said to Glenn, "They've never done this before. There must've been a cat in here."

When our veterinarian came in, I told her about the dog's unusual behavior. "Ferrets," she smiled. "They were all over the place, and they have quite a musky odor." Which the Poodles seem to enjoy immensely!

Picture: #2 Dr. removing staples Day 13



With Jyah supervising, our veterinarian removed a staggering number of staples from Sydney's incision.

Our biggest challenge now was to find ways to channel Sydney's natural exuberance into mild activities until she was fully recovered.

As you might expect, during Sydney's convalescence I surfed the Internet to learn as much as possible about GDV.

Enter "Bloat, Torsion, or GDV in dogs" in your Internet search engine and you will come up with masses of information.

However, in all the sites I went through, I found no easy-to-understand guide to GDV's early recognition. It seems luck was on our side with Sydney because even with early intervention, some dogs can still not be saved.

We are very grateful. Charlene & Glenn Dunlap

New Additions.....

from Judy Acker of Ecola Poodles

We have a new addition. She is an apricot abstract puppy bitch. We have named her.....

REINHAUS N' ECOLA JORJA PEACH..... "Jorja".

Here she is pictured at 12 weeks of age.



Her sire is an AKC CH bred solid toy, and her mama is a red/white parti.

Health Testing Brags.....

from Maryann Beauchene

UKC CH Rainbow Riot's Ramblin Rosie

NEwS NEGATIVE

“Just A Dog” or could be “Just a Poodle?”

From time to time, people tell me, "lighten up, it's just a dog (*Poodle*)," or, "that's a lot of money for just a dog (*Poodle*)."

They don't understand the distance traveled, the time spent, or the costs involved for "just a dog (*Poodle*)."

Some of my proudest moments have come about with "just a dog (*Poodle*)."

Many hours have passed and my only company was "just a dog (*Poodle*)," but I did not once feel slighted.

Some of my saddest moments have been brought about by "just a dog (*Poodle*)," and in those days of darkness, the gentle touch of "just a dog (*Poodle*)" gave me comfort and reason to overcome the day.

If you, too, think it's "just a dog (*Poodle*)," then you will probably understand phrases like "just a friend," "just a sunrise," or "just a promise.



**Reese...
Bad Hair
Day**



**Roxie...
Hide
&
Seek**

"Just a dog (*Poodle*)" brings into my life the very essence of friendship, trust, and pure unbridled joy.

"Just a dog (*Poodle*)" brings out the compassion and patience..... that make me a better person.

Because of "just a dog (*Poodle*)"..... I will rise early, take long walks and look longingly to the future.

So for me and folks like me, it's not "just a dog (*Poodle*)" but an embodiment of all the hopes and dreams of the future, the fond memories of the past, and the pure joy of the moment.

"Just a dog (*Poodle*)" brings out what's good in me and..... diverts my thoughts away from myself and the worries of the day.



**Reese.....
Angelic**



**Candy...
In
Profile**

I hope that someday they can understand that it's not "just a dog (*Poodle*)", but the thing that gives me humanity and keeps me from being "just a man or woman."

So the next time you hear the phrase "just a dog (*Poodle*)" just smile..... because they "just don't understand."

By Richard Biby

Photos contributed by *Maggie Laney of Highfalutin Poodles*

*The word (*Poodle*) has been inserted into this poem text to coincide with the theme of this newsletter.

Let It Snow!

Contributer: *Olga Esman of Poodleit - Ontario Canada*

I love brushing my Poodles. Love the long luxurious Poodle hair. Yet, after a ten minute walk in the rain, I have to spend two hours drying and brushing each Poodle, I am not a happy camper. A perfect solution was found in full body rain coats.

Healthy poodles do not need coats for warmth, but will tolerate them to save their humans time for cuddling instead of grooming. For a show Poodle, a high quality, smooth-lined coat is a must! Show Poodles need to run and play just like any other dog, but so often they are kept inside to save their coats from matting :(



There are couple things you need to consider before putting anything on your Poodle.....

1. Size of your Poodle...Smaller Poodles might need warmer coats to keep their bodies warm.
2. Age & health level...Older dogs, young puppies, and frail dogs need extra protection too.
3. Length of hair...Poodles with bigger natural coats will not need a warm suit, but a light one to prevent accumulation of snow balls.
4. Activity level outside.....What your Poodle does outside is very important: when actively running and playing - a warm winter coat is not needed, and even **MUST** not be worn, to avoid overheating. If you are taking slow walks - some extra layers would be nice.
5. Weather.....Cold & dry weather - Consider all the factors above for your Poodle's outerwear. Cold & wet weather - A lightweight, waterproof body suit will help protect your Poodle from the chill ...and from wet conditions outside. Mild with heavy snowfall - we all know how fast Poodle's hair will collect sticky snow balls, and how long it takes to take those off.



So don't we all agree, we want to spend valuable time doing better things, than grooming multiple times each day? If you are looking for the most versatile and ultimate outerwear wardrobe: Use a breathable waterproof full-body raincoat, with a warm blanket-type coat layered over, for extra warmth.



Let It Snow! con't.....

Now, to the shoe rack..... Factors to consider when choosing shoes.....

1. Color coordinate shoes to compliment the coat (we'll talk about purses later).
2. Age, weather, activity level: All-weather boots will be great for active poodles in any winter weather. Fleece-lined boots are good for lower activity level or a very cold day.
3. What surface does your Poodle walk on? Very important: For city streets covered with salt and chemicals - use boots to protect those precious poodle feet against the irritation of "eating through everything" salt mixture. We do rust-proof our cars, don't we?!

Dangers for Poodle feet.....

AVOID puddles of antifreeze. Don't allow your dog to taste or step in antifreeze. Just a tiny amount licked off the feet can be harmful.

If no boots are worn on your walk/or during outdoor play, do wash your poodle's feet immediately after.

In snow covered fields/parks, where there's plenty of *nice soft dry snow* - to boot, or not to boot, is your choice. When poodles run and play, their feet get hot and snow melts in between toes creating ice molds. This is not very comfortable for them. In *crusty snow* (usually after warmer temperatures or rain) - boots are very beneficial to help protect Poodle's feet from cuts.



What about creams, pawstiks etc?

These products help protect Poodle feet from forming ice between their toes. But do make sure you reapply product for continuous benefit. Some Poodles do not mind going barefoot in -20C. By observing your Poodle - they'll let you know, if they like to go barefoot, or not.

So you might be wondering, can Poodles run and play in coats/boots? Can they do their "business"? To find the answer, watch: <http://www.flickr.com/photos/poodleit/4133314643/>

Dressing your Poodle for cold winter weather is not just a game of "let's dress up the puppy-dog", but a way to make those winter days more enjoyable for both you & your companions. It does take some extra time to suit-up, but so worth the cuddle time you gain, after long, relaxing, outdoor walks.

There is no bad weather, only poorly accessorized Poodles.. Enjoy watching your Poodles run and play!

Please allow me to share few of my personal bad weather favorites:

Coats by ChillyDogs are the best coats you can find in blanket-type variety (pictured right)

The Ultimate Norway Coat, designed in Norway by Elisabeth Strom, and made in Canada by poodleit. It is waterproof and breathable, fits perfectly as it is made-to-measure.

Mutttopia full body rain suits by Muttluks, next best full body rain coat.

Muttluks Reversible Snowsuits are the most popular for little guys. (see previous page)

My favorite boots are Muttluks All Weather or Fleece Lined.



Thank you very much for the opportunity to be published in "The Parti Line" Newsletter.

Poodley Yours,

Olga Esman

<http://www.poodleit.com>

AKC Performance News.....

from Irma Shanahan



Chase finished his **AKC Obedience Master's** title on December 12, 2009.

The title requires that the dog earn a total of 200 points; 60 of which must come from Utility B and 60 from Open B.

Points are awarded on a sliding scale for every score of 190 or higher.

2009 was a great year for Chase. He finished both his first UDX title and the OM title.

His full string of titles now reads.....

UCDX UCH JC Pioneer Shadow Chaser UDX OMI RAE VC CGC.

Can you tell I am very proud of this guy?

Irma Shanahan

In 2010, we will be working on completing his second UDX.

Earning also some OTCH points.

We expect to be trialing in Agility by late spring or early summer.

By fall of 2010, we hope to be back in the UKC obedience ring to trial for his UKC Utility title.

So we have a busy year ahead.

UPDATE.....

Chase and I went to the **Shetland Sheepdog trial** in Beltsville, Md. Saturday.....January 23, 2010

We came home with our 5th UDX leg towards our UDX2,
.....15 more points towards our OM2,
.....4 more OTCH points, and.....
our First Place in Open towards our OTCH.

We got our First place by winning a run-off, which was nice, too.

Obviously, running him in Agility on Friday certainly didn't take the "edge" off of him.

Please remember to share your fun member activities, litter news, health testing brags and show news with us.



Litter News

from.....Natalie & Kelly Hefner of "Natalie's Standard Poodles"

*"ABBY" aka UKC CH Monet's Whispering Magic 4 Natalie
&
"FLASH" aka AM/CAN CH Dreamers Highview Flash In
are expecting beautiful babies the first week of March.*

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UKC CH Monets Whispering Magic 4 Natalie

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AM/CAN CH Dreamers Highview Flash In

<http://www.natstandards.com>



PRACTICAL POODLE POSTSCRIPT

The Importance of Socialization Part II.....

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A SOCIAL SCHEDULE

People

- Adults
- Babies
- Toddlers
- Children
- Teenagers
- Seniors
- Both genders
- Different ethnics

People wearing

- Raincoats
- Umbrellas
- Sunglasses
- Hats
- Beards
- Helmets
- Costumes
- Punk hairdos
- Shaved heads

People in Uniform

- Vet clinic staff
- Ambulance attendants
- Crossing guards
- Meter readers
- Telephone worker
- Couriers
- Postal workers
- Police
- Firefighters

Animals

- Friendly, healthy dogs
- Puppies
- Small pets (hamsters)
- Large birds (geese)
- Cats
- Livestock (goats)

Athletic Folk

- Joggers
- Skate boarders
- Cyclists
- Roller bladers
- Cross country skiers
- Toboggans and sleds
- Snow bladders
- Surfers
- Wind surfers
- Speed walkers
- Spectator at 10km run
- Kayakers / canoeing
- Hang gliders
- People swimming
- Water skiing
- Hackysack
- Martial arts
- Bike couriers

People with ..

- Canes
- Crutches
- Leg(s) in a cast
- Metal frame walkers
- Wheelchairs
- Baby carriages
- Guide Dogs
- Baby Carriers
- Backpacks
- Luggage
- Wagons
- Shopping cart
- Limps or odd gaits
- Erratic body moves

Different Environments

- Car rides
- Socialization class
- Vet clinic
- Boarding kennel
- Groomers
- The bank
- Video store
- Gas station
- Automatic doors
- Tool booth
- Shopping mall
- Friend's homes
- Public transit
- Outdoor cafe
- Country verses city
- Elevators
- Escalators
- Pet supply store
- Downtown
- Boat ride(s)
- School grounds
- Drive-thrus
- Drive-in movie
- Sporting facilities
- The beach
- The office
- Hiking trails
- Petting zoo
- Car wash
- Walk after dark
- A tunnel
- A bridge
- Busy intersection
- Outside day care
- Active railway
- Crowd of people

Environmental Hazards and Noise Pollution

- Sirens
- Snow blowers
- Thunder & Lightening
- Snow
- Rain
- Wind
- Airport
- Loud speakers
- Building demolition
- People yelling
- Clapping
- Fireworks

Motorized Vehicles

- Helicopters
- Street cleaners
- Snowplows
- Garbage trucks
- Airplanes
- Cars backfiring
- Trucks backing up
- Skidoos
- Seadoos
- Screeching brakes
- Motorcycles
- 4-wheelers
- Trains



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

PRACTICAL POODLE POSTSCRIPT

A SOCIAL SCHEDULE con't.....

Different Surfaces

- Stairs (up & down)
- Sand
- Wood
- Ceramic tile
- Carpet
- Slippery surfaces
- Manholes & grates
- Deck
- Watery or wet surface
- Grass
- Gravel
- Cement
- Swinging bridge
- Wooden dock
- Tarmac (not hot days!)
- Astro turf
- Mud
- Ice
- Saw dust
- Hardwood floors
- Dirt
- Wood planks
- Water (puddles, streams, swimming)

Strange Sights and Smells

- Strong perfume
- Strong cooking smells
- Hammocks
- Swings
- Scooters
- Tricycles
- Hula Hoop
- Kites
- Model airplanes
- Remote control toys
- Low flying airplanes
- Skipping rope
- Flag & banners
- Drunk people
- Ice cream truck

Home Environment

- Phone ringing
- Doorbell
- Loud TV
- Loud music
- Hair dryer
- Vacuum cleaner
- Kettle
- Dish washer
- Washer / dryer
- Electrical appliances
- Dog in bath / shower
- Domestic staff
- Home office
- Sweeping / mopping
- Guests
- Repair people
- Delivery people
- Knocking on door
- Radio
- Singing
- Pans dropping
- Computer starting up
- Alarm clock

Construction Site and Gardens

- Cranes
- Front-end loaders
- Bulldozers
- Sledgehammers
- Power tools
- Fork Lifts
- Carrying shovels
- Wheelbarrows
- Lawn mowers
- Ride on mowers
- leaf blowers
- Weed whackers
- Electric hedge shears
- Sweeping with a broom
- Garden hose
- Sprinkler system
- Jackhammers

Outdoor Events

- Parade
- Hot air balloon
- People singing
- Live music band
- Farmers market
- Beach party / bonfire
- Santa Claus
- Rodeo
- Fairs
- Sporting events
- Clowns
- Mimes
- People dancing
- Rush hour
- A rally / protest
- Street vendors

New Objects for Play

- Milk jugs
- Empty soda cans
- Toilet paper tube
- Rubber hose
- Clean toilet brush
- Metal spoon / objects
- Hair brush
- Comb
- Plastic cup

Various other items to Include

- Cloth
- Metal
- Wood
- Paper
- Plastic
- Smooth surfaces
- Rough surfaces
- Soft / hard items

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