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THE PARTI LINE

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From The President's Desk......



I was sitting here wondering what to write about when a posting came through my email about the latest PETA and HSUS joint initiative before Congress. It is nicknamed PETS and would close the loophole which allows hobby breeders to breed their dogs without being under USDA control. I forwarded this information to the chat group. This bill would certainly change many of your lives since it refers to people who breed 50 or more puppies a year. Since it is not uncommon for standard poodles to have litters of nine or more, that is not a large number of litters per year.

All of that having been said as background, it is now time to get to my point. We live in a democracy. Democracies are based on the premise that citizens take part in the activities of government. I have forwarded several of these information pieces to chat expecting some replies and have never gotten any. Replies to me or to the group are not important to the entire scheme of things, but replies to your Senators and Congressmen are. I would hate to have everyone in this group sit back and do nothing and then complain that they can no longer breed the dogs that they claim they love so much. It would be no one's fault but their own. We can not assume that someone else will fight the fight for us. I am writing to my senators for selfish reasons. I am not a breeder, but when I would like to purchase another dog, I would like to have that dog available for purchase.

Please, I urge you to keep abreast of this legislation and all the spay-neuter legislation that keeps popping up and write your representatives expressing your opinions.

For the love of the poodle,

Until next month, *Maryann*

NEW MEMBERS

No new members this month.



From around the globe

Next Meeting
-MondayOctober 6, 2008
9:00 p.m. EST

CLUB WEBSITE ADDRESS

www.multicoloredpoodleclubofamerica.org

SEE YOU THERE !!!!

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MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

For this month's "Member Spotlight" we head to Camden, South Carolina's oldest inland city. Known as the steeplechase "Capitol of the World," it attracts visitors from across the globe for the "Carolina Cup Steeplechase." The Thoroughbred horse industry thrives here due to the area's moderate climate and good footing for training. It is in this place of history, horses and hospitality that we visit Teri and Drew Carter of "Belle Story Poodles."

Teri retired after 20 years teaching students with learning disabilities and currently has returned to teaching in another sort of classroom - *agility lessons* which pay for her dog/poodle addictions. Teri's husband Drew is a design engineer and is as she related for this article...."a closet poodle lover." "Have to laugh," she wrote....."If someone on TV makes a



comment about poodles being just fluffy lap dogs, he (Drew) "goes off" and exclaims..."They obviously never owned a poodle."



The Carters have two grown children. Son, Robert and daughter, Brittain. Their family also includes son-in-law, Jeff and two year old grand daughter, Zoe. Teri explained, "Zoe loves every animal she sees (warm and cold blooded). She is a delight. I am hoping she will be a junior handler with poodles and lose her affection for my horse.....been there, done that with my daughter. I don't think my nerves could go through that again. LOL. I trained and exhibited horses for 30 years in Hunter/Jumper, Three Phase Eventing and most recently Dressage. I now prefer to return to the basics and trail ride."

Zoey

Amid a busy schedule with family, teaching, and poodles, Teri still finds time to enjoy riding with her Connemara Thoroughbred Cross gelding on the 3,000 acre hunt country that adjoins the Carter's 3 ½ acre home site. She also enjoys showing her poodles in UKC Conformation events. She explained...."We are also involved with UKC hunt retrieving tests. I have personally witnessed so much political placing in AKC with pro handlers that I don't care to participate in AKC breed events at this time. My dogs, do however, participate in AKC Rally Obedience and AKC Agility. Benson has been competing in AKC Agility since May. He has 4 titles in 4 trials. He also has his first leg in the Excellent division. I will probably switch to USDAA in order to keep the fun in it and get mileage since he is now only 22 months of age." ©





Benson

Teri has been involved with poodles for 5 years. She relates....."I don't do anything half way....jumped in with both feet once the MPS(multiple poodle syndrome) hit. I have owned many breeds over my 58 years of life but none that steal my heart as my poodles do."

Next month,
The Parti Line
"Member Spotlight"
will introduce
Jennifer Girard

The Carter's poodle family includes......

"Geechee".....Optigen A Hips Goodspayed...over size Toy /or small Mini....brown. Teri's first girl that hooked her on the breed and stole her heart.

"Amelia"...name-Holbrook Reason and Rhyme RN...Mini....blackShe chose my husband instead of me. $\ensuremath{\mathfrak{S}}$

Optigen A, CERF Clear, OFA hips Good, Patellas Good

Sire Ch Kiyara the Intimidator Dam Ch Holbrook Oakwood Arpeggio

"Benson" ...name -Belle Story Rockingham Victory NA NAJ OA OAJ....Mini...black that once in a lifetime dog. I co own Benson with my husband but own the others. Optigen A CERF clear Patellas good--hips to be done at 2 yrs

Sire Ch Timari Joyview Le Mans Dam Amelia-Holbrook Reason and Rhyme RN

"Summer".....name -Belle Benet Parti at the River (parti factored brown girl) ...Mini ...my little brown monkey--she jumps and climbs everything--She is a loving little imp . I hope to make her my therapy dog but she is so talented she could do it all.

Optigen A CERF clear Patellas good--hips to be done at 2 yrs

Sire UCH Benet- Windswept Born To Fly Dam UGCH YNot's Benet Jayme The Pioneer

"Rikki"...(Rikki--from Ricky Nelson LOL)...name BellCher Be Bop Baby black and white parti Standard girl -- she keeps me laughing all the time. I am not planning to breed standards at this time but her testing is in progress, She is a wonderful addition to my family. and I plan to trial her in agility and retriever hunt tests.

Sire Cherdon's Parti'N Color My World Dam Cherdon's Cristal N Livin Color

Teri wrote that it was her love for Parti and Multi Colored poodles that motivated her to join MCPCA.

She explained...."The sad history of the breed tears my heart apart. I want to be apart of the rebirth of quality Multi Colored poodles. I feel I have some quality solid lines to draw from and that over time these will contribute to the continuing efforts to regenerate a healthy parti line. I guess my greatest talent is teaching so I am not really sure how I can share that with a national club. But I am sure you all can help me find a way...LOL. I have taken two full courses in canine reproduction with Myrah Harris Savant. I am constantly studying one area of the breed, breeding...etc. I try to incorporate the years of knowledge of my mentors with latest techniques available. I started this late in life but I go all the way when I do something."

It is this goal oriented determination that shapes the future of "Belle Story Poodles."

Teri shared her short and long term goals for her poodles in this way....."Our website is...... www.huntingpoodles.com. I breed an occasional litter (no more than two a year). Whelping pups is the joy of my life. I am continuing to study genetics....it is just fascinating. I would like to breed two solid litters this fall and breed my parti factored girl to a parti male next year. And in the near future I would like to find a nice mini parti girl to add to my family."

Teri explains all her enthusiasm for the breed in a very simple way when asked what it is about poodles that she enjoys the most. She said....."The look they give you that says....."I ADORE YOU.











Amelia

"BONE" APPETITE

Peanut Butter Dog Biscuits

Tried by Jennifer Girard

Ingredients:

1 1/2 cups water

1/2 cup oil

2 eggs

3 tablespoons Peanut Butter

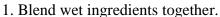
2 teaspoons vanilla

2 cups flour

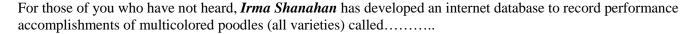
1/2 cup cornmeal

1/2 cup oats

Directions:



- 2. Whisk dry ingredients together and mix into wet mixture to form a ball of dough.
- 3. Roll out and shape.
- 4. Put onto a non-stick cookie tray or lightly greased one.
- 5. Cook 20 minutes at 400F.
- 6. Turn off oven and allow the biscuits to cool in oven until crisp and hard.
- 7. Store in airtight container.



The Performance Parti Poodle Database

If you would like to have your poodle's accomplishments recorded or know of a multicolored poodle who has earned a performance title, Irma would like for you to get in touch with her with the following information:

Name of owner
Registered and Call name of poodle
Registration Number
Variety and Color
Registry title was earned in
Name of title and date earned

email Irma at irmashanahan@verizon.net or go view her new site at

http://mysite.verizon.net/vzep45oe/partipoodlesinperformancevenues/index.html



CARE OF THE POODLE EAR.....by Grace L. Blair, M.D.

Let me preface this discussion by saying that there are as many ways to care for the Poodle ear as there are people who do it. This is just my own method developed over 20+ years of caring for Standard Poodles who have very hairy canals and long ear leathers. Many of my dogs have done field work, tracking, and obedience in all kinds of weather.

Anatomy: The Poodle ear canal is deep and dark and frequently the hair in the canal grows similar to the thickness and speed of that on the body. At the bottom of the canal is the ear drum, and great care must be taken to not damage the drum. The ear canal glands make wax to protect the delicate tissues. Because of the hair, the covering by the long and heavy ear leathers, and the wax the ear is subject to infections, mites, ticks, and grass awns such as foxtails.

Principles of care: Because infections, mites, ticks, etc., thrive in dark, moist, warm environments then the way to prevent such problems is to provide a light, dry, clean environment in the ears. Some dogs seem to have very little ear canal hair which makes ear care easier. My dogs grow hair in the ear canal at an astonishing rate. Therefore, this hair needs to be removed at least on a monthly basis. I use a well-lighted area and place the dog on its side on a grooming table and pull the hair out with a hemostat. These instruments can be obtained from most grooming supply services. After the hair is carefully removed I clean the ear with a mild antiseptic solution. Some people prefer rubbing alcohol, but that can be quite irritating to a sensitive ear canal. The solution is gently swabbed out using cotton balls. I then follow up with instillation of a drying agent, many of which are on the market. My current favorite is made by Veterinarian's Best and is called: Ear Relief Wash and Ear Relief Dry. These can be obtained from KV Vet supply at 1-800-423-8211. Many people swear by use of white vinegar diluted with water in 1:4 mixture. Others use Epidotic or any of the better cleansing agents.

Warning: A severe infection may result in ear drum perforation. NEVER put a cleanser or medications in an ear that may have an open ear drum without the consultation of your veterinarian. Many agents that are safe to use in an inflamed canal can be VERY dangerous to put into the middle ear and deafness or worse can result.

Symptoms of a problem: If your dog has a brown material in the ear, shakes its head regularly and even cries when the head is shaken then suspect an infection or worse yet, a foxtail in the ear. The ear may smell bad as well. You may need veterinary help to get the problem under control.

Treatment of infections: If your dog has a mild infection it can usually be cleared up by cleansing the ear and putting a drying agent into the ear twice a day for about a week. If there is hair in the canal you must remove it. If the problem is not resolved or gets worse you will need to see your Veterinarian. If your dog has frank pus in the ear then you should immediately seek veterinary help and not delay with the above series of steps. Before any antibiotics, either systemically or topically, are used a culture must be taken to be sure that the antibiotic is the correct one for that particular infection. Be VERY careful of what antibiotics are used as many can damage the hearing of your dog. Be sure to discuss this with your veterinarian. Some of the topical drugs often induce allergies so also discuss this with your veterinarian. Most of the "mycins" can quickly damage hearing.

Allergies: Some dogs have multiple skin allergies, allergic diarrhea, flea allergies, and some even have frequent sneezing and scratching. This type of dog frequently also has a chronic ear problem. The ear leathers may be red and itchy. There may even be hives on the ears. If this is the case you need to find what your dog is allergic to, be it an environmental problem or a food or they type of shampoo you are using on the dog, or a flea product. You may need the help of a Veterinary Dermatologist. As long as your dog has a topical allergy problem you will not be able to clear up the irritated ear problem.

Fungus infections: Because the ear canal is dark and damp some dogs develop a chronic fungus infection. This should NOT be treated with steroids, as it will make the fungus infection worse. Some veterinarians attempt to treat an allergic dermatitis with steroids and this usually results in an overgrowth of fungus in the ear. The treatment of a fungus infection is dry, dry, dry, and then perhaps a topical fungus medicine. Usually keeping the ear DRY and acidic will clear up the fungus infection. For the serious chronic ear infection! It may be necessary to put the dog on a rigorous program of twice a day cleansing with TRIS-EDTA solution mixed with an antibiotic such as Baytril plus systemic antibiotic for as long as six weeks. Your veterinarian may recommend a short course of topical steroid drops to reduce the inflammation and swelling so that the dog will be more comfortable until the infection gets under control. Another good topical eardrop that is in use has a combination of antibiotic and silver such as "Baytril otic".

Swimming and bathing: If your dog loves the water make sure that after every session of swimming you clean the ears and put a drying agent into them. If you keep your dog with long thick ear hair, then you must be sure that the ear hair is also dry when you put the drying agent into the ear canal. When I bathe my dogs I always pour dilute shampoo into the ear canals, massage the ears and head and then rinse very well with the spray nozzle. I find that this REALLY cleans out the ears and I have not had an ear infection since starting the routine of shampooing into the ear canals and then using the Ear Relief Wash followed up by the Ear Relief Dry.

The Immune Compromised Dog: If your dog has a chronic ear infection you may wish to also consider adding Echinacea tablets to the "plan". It appears that this natural herb stimulates the natural immune defenses to help ward off a chronic infection, especially if the dog is stressed, has undergone recent immunizations, or has a compromised immune system. This herb is NOT recommended for long-term therapy...a plan of 2 weeks of the daily tablets then 2 weeks off has been suggested by some veterinarians. IF your dog has allergies as the basis for the chronic ear irritation then echinacea may not be advisable, as allergies can be a manifestation of TOO MUCH immune function rather than a suppressed immune system.

Breeder & Show Brags.....

UBPA Show......Hickory, NC

NL class..Multicolor Novice Puppy Best Toy Benroyals Texas Tycoon: Ann Addison Best Mini and Best Puppy Sandpiper Benet JP Morgan

TOY POODLES

B/H/BMV/BM/BW/ Rochars N'Argents Viper: Ann Addison PF/BFV/BF Argenta's Surfin' Safari: Balyda Brown CH Rochar's Southern Melody: Ann Addison /Roberta Davis

MINIATURE POODLES

PM/ResBMV Faery Daes Take Em By Storm: Brenda Melillo JM/BMV/ResBM Benet Old Enough To Know Better:Janice Bennett

PF/ResBFV Sunridge Borrowed Angel: Michelle Golding JF/BFV/ResBF Belle Benet Parti At The River: Teri Carter

ResCH Benet Unsinkable Molly Brown: Janice Bennett GRCH VIP'S Benet Quiet Storm: Janice Bennett **Best of Breed** Rochars N'Argents Viper: Ann Addison

MULTICOLOR POODLES

no Toys entered

MC MINIATURES

SM/BMV/BM Sisco's Curious George: Adriane Pope JF/BFV/BF/BW Benet Sweet Madeline: Janice Bennett CH Sandpipers Bonnie Blue; Michelle Golding

Best of Breed CH Sandpipers Bonnie Blue: Michelle Golding

STANDARD POODLES

no males entered

PF/BF Tintlet Anutta Silver Charm: Gloria Ogdahl JF/ResBF Thornwoods Wind Dance :Jodie Aldret BHF Tintlet Shayna Maidela : Gloria Ogdahl

CH Sandpiper Noir Cheval On The Run : Linda Singletary GRCH Tintlet Petite Fille: Gray Hungerford/Gloria Ogdahl

Best of Breed GRCHTintlet Petite Fille: Gray Hungerford/Gloria Ogdahl

MULTICOLOR STANDARD POODLES

PM/BM/BW Highview Built For Sin: Kelsey Wolf/Becky Baxter

SM Sisco's Reigning Sultan at Monet: Patty Reid

ResBM Highview He Frolics With Waves: Candace and Coleman Sullivan

FP/BF Monet's Whispering Magic 4 Natalie: Natalie Hefner/Patty Reid

BH/ResBF Tintlet Anutta Wild Child : Gloria Ogdahl

Ch Monet's Darcy Wizard Of Zoz :Carol Zoz/Patty Reid Res CH JC Pioneer Parti Whisper: Patty and Michael Reid

Best Of Breed Highview Built For Sin : Kelsey Wolf/Becky Baxter **Best in Show** Highview Built For Sin : Kelsey Wolf/Becky Baxter **Res Best in Show** Rochars N'Argents Viper: Ann Addison







Bonnie





Candace & Neptune

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

BREEDER & SHOW BRAGS CON'T......

UKC Show Brags..... Congratulations Maggie

Parti girl, Dah, UKC Grand Ch. Highfalutin Hits The Spot, took back to back Gun Dog Group Firsts at the Silver State APBT Club Multi Breed shows. Phantom girl, Ivy, is now UKC GRAND CH Highfalutin Hush-Hush. Ivy finished in just five shows.

Please remember to share your show and health testing brags with us.

AKC Show news.... Congratulations Irma and Chase

Chase moved to Utility B and made his first foray into doing UDX/OTCh work. He went home with two UDX legs from the weekend

Congratulations Maryann and Buddy

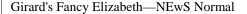
Remy's Steely Dan, call name Buddy, received his Rally Novice title the weekend of September 20 with scores of 98, 93, and 91.

He will be three years old in November.



Health Testing Brags





JenLane Poodles--Mini and Standard www.jenlanepoodles.com



Girard's Delightful Haley - NEwS Normal





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PRACTICAL POODLE POSTSCRIPT

Three Dangers You May Not Know About: Foxtails, Giant Toads, and Mushrooms

Foxtails are annual grasses often seen in weedy areas and found in states west of Mississippi. Full grown foxtail plants are 1-3 feet tall with leaf blades 4-15 inches. The flower heads can be yellow to reddish or greenish to purplish. When the seeds begin to dry, usually in late spring, the real danger begins. The seeds can easily become embedded in your dog's hair, making them difficult to remove and causing severe infections. Foxtail seeds can migrate and lodge in internal organs if not removed immediately

Foxtail seeds can enter the dog through the nose, ears, paws, eyes, urethra, or skin. Some of the symptoms of a foxtail seed may include an inflamed painful lump, compulsive licking and biting at a paw or rectal area, heavy sneezing or blood coming from the nostrils or crying with no obvious injury.

It's important to keep your dog well groomed and examine the dog daily. If a foxtail seed is found in the skin, pull it straight out making sure not to break it off. However, if you think your dog already has a seed embedded, seek veterinarian help immediately.

Giant Toads, also known as Marine Toads, or Cane Toads, are large, averaging 4-9 inches long and weighing over 2 pounds. When these toads feel threatened, they secrete bufotoxin, a milky/white fluid, which is toxic. The toads have the ability to puff up and lift itself off the ground, making it look bigger to a predator. Unlike other toads, the Giant Toads can detect food from their sense of smell. They climb into food bowls and eat dog food and in some cases, can contaminate the dog's drinking water.



Toads tend to be seen more in wet weather, at night, and early morning. Be sure to take extra precautions when going outside at these times. Symptoms of toad poisoning may include heavy drooling, head shaking, vomiting, diarrhea, weakness, fever, irregular heartbeat, tightly clamped jaws, convulsions, or death. If you feel your dog has toad poisoning, seek veterinarian help immediately.

Mushrooms growing in your own backyard can be toxic to dogs. These mushrooms can sprout up overnight and it's sometimes difficult to determine if they are poisonous or not. Amanita phalloides is the most common severely toxic mushroom reported, but others also exist. If you find a mushroom in your yard, dig it up. Smashing or kicking mushrooms actually spread the spores.

Symptoms of mushroom poisoning may include vomiting, diarrhea, and heavy drooling. Dogs that are caught eating a mushroom can be induced to vomit with hydrogen peroxide. However, you should always have your dog checked out by a veterinarian.



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