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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......

Dear MCPCA Members,

I don't know why they call August the Dog Days of Summer but I'm ready to be done with the Hot Days of summer. Not that I'm ready for the snow to fly by any means. I know all of us have had some crazy weather this year - first all the snow and cold, then all the rain and wind, now all the heat - many places with record breaking stretches of high temperatures. Now it seems hurricane season is upon many of us. So, here's my vote for a long, lovely fall - warm days, cool nights, beautiful foliage and always - the love and companionship of our beloved poos.



Some of our members have dealt with personal illness, unusual illness in our "kids", and sadly, even the loss of a beloved family member. This all serves as a reminder how precious life is and that we need to support each other. The economy is also having a toll on many of us. I know we've lost a few members because they simply have to cut back on expenses. We're all having to be judicious in our hobby expenses and just can't do as many shows as we'd like.

I encourage everyone to start planning now to attend our specialty show at UKC Premier next June. As a UKC recognized club we're required by UKC to hold a club sponsored event every two years and the specialty has been our way to meet that requirement. It takes a lot of work to make it a successful event and we need everyone to be involved. It's not something that just a couple of members can do on their own. Besides, many hands make for light work. If you've never helped with a show, now is a great time to jump on board and learn some new skills. Like any other worthwhile venture the journey begins with the first step. Any hey, why just dip a toe in the water - be like Karen Kearney's dogs and make a giant leap off the dock! You'll have a blast!

As a club and as afficianados of the multi-colored poodle we've worked hard, made great strides and need to keep our focus on the goal - healthy, genetically strong dogs that will gain acceptance and recognition in the larger dog breeding/showing community. The prize is closer than ever - let's keep going strong! Stay in touch with your board and let us know what you'd like the club to be doing to reach our goal.

Karen

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2012 SPECIALTY UPDATE

The club is now looking for individuals who would like to volunteer to help out with the plans for the 2012 MCPCA Poodle Specialty Event.



Plans are being discussed to hold the next club Specialty in June 2012 at the UKC Premier Event weekend in Kalamazoo, Michigan.



If you are interested in helping out with the Specialty please attend the next meeting or contact the MCPCA Club President....

Karen Scopel.

MCPCA NOW HAS FACEBOOK PAGES.

MULTI COLORED POODLE MULTI COLORED POODLE CLUB OF AMERICA INC. (GROUP) THE MULTI COLORED POODLE CLUB OF AMERICA INC. (NON PROFIT ORGANIZATION)

THIS WILL BE A GREAT PLACE FOR MEMBERS TO POST INFORMATIVE LINKS AND TO SHOWCASE WHAT THEIR MULTIS ARE DOING.

WEBSITE ADDRESS www.multicoloredpoodleclubofamerica.org

SEE YOU THERE !!!!

Send all photos and updates to Jacqui Mcleay

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NEW MEMBERS.....

No new members for August



From around the globe

MEMBER CHAT.....

Attention New MCPCA members.....

If you are not already signed up....contact our membership secretary for information on getting signed up for the MCPCA Chat.

This is a members only chat group for MCPCA members

http://pets.groups.yahoo.com/group/MCPCAChat/

MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Monthly Membership Meeting : Monday Time: 9:00 pm - 10:00 pm

This event repeats every month on the first Monday.

Attend the meeting via a Conference Call

The club also has a business chat group which announces monthly meeting information, phone # and conference access code.

To receive meeting announcements subscribe to this group link

http://pets.groups.yahoo.com/group/MCPCA/

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Next Meeting -Monday-September 5 , 2011 9:00 p.m. EST



Health Brags

from Gina & Lina Wainiola

UKC Ch KS Unique Angelique RN CGC NE Clear UKC Ch UCD Rivers Edge Regale Rene' CD CGC NE Clear

from Kathy Esio

UAG1, UKC CH Jacknic's Color Of The Steeple OFA Good Hips Elbows Normal UKC GRCH Jacknic's Lil Bita Rita OFA Fair Hips

from Maggie Laney

AM/CAN/UKC BPIS CH Highfalutin' Hot Commodity NE Clear He also passed his Doppler Echo Cardio with flying colors!

Breeder Brags & AKC Show News & Photos

from Maggie Laney of Highfalutin' Poodles

New Champion! We are beyond proud to announce that Reese....aka Monkey, is now ...

AM/CAN/UKC BPIS CH Highfalutin' Hot Commodity!

He finished his AKC Championship

taking BOB at Richmond Dog Fanciers on Aug 6.

He had 4 Majors and 16 points, and is now officially "retired".



He leaves the show ring currently ranked in the Top 20 AKC Standards for 2011. Woo Hoo!!!



www.highfalutinpoodles.com





UKC & AKC Brags

from Kathy Esio of Jacknic Poodles

Wow...... Another busy month for me & UKC GR Ch Countryside Vote For Me

Our boy "Pedro" won a four pt major at the Marshall, MI, show giving him a total of 13 points!



Pedro and I was back at it again this month with UKC shows too!

Two shows, two Best of Breed wins!

Enough Top Ten points to put us back on the list and... A bonus of a Group 4 and a Group ONE, out of a big Gun dog group!

And then our little "Bill" **Jacknic's Big Love** -- won best standard puppy at the Mid Michigan Poodle club match.



Remember to share your photos & news with us.

Send to Mozaicpoodles@hotmail.com



AKC Recognition (Parti) Performance Brag

from Karen Scopel of Prairie Dog Poodles

For the Columbine Poodle Club Specialty (Greeley CO) (an AKC affiliate) I entered Sherman (*URO3 UCD GRCH Prairiedogs' Ballroom Dancer RE*) into the **Parade of Titleholders** as he had earned his **Rally Excellent** title.

He ended up being the only entry (I think because they couldn't be entered in regular classes, too). We had written up a 50 word description of Sherman which included his UKC accomplishments and they read the entire thing out loud to the audience. While there weren't many at ringside (most were in the grooming building getting ready for the specialty) everyone was very nice and complimentary.

Several folks even came and looked him over.

In Loving Remembrance......

From Gina & Linato Ruth & Bellamy

In Loving Memory of Frazier



Who has had a faithful friend, has had a treasure.





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PRACTICAL POODLE POSTSCRIPT.....

Preparing Your Pets for Emergencies Makes Sense.



If you are like millions of animal owners nationwide, your poodle is an important member of your household. The likelihood that you and your animals will survive an emergency such as a fire or flood, tornado or terrorist attack depends largely on emergency planning done today. Depending on the circumstances and the nature of the emergency you will need to make a quick decision if you are going to stay or evacuate. You will need to have plans for both. Remember your pet is dependent on you! Use common sense when making this very important decision.

Some of the things you can do to prepare for the unexpected, such as assembling an animal emergency supply kit and developing a pet care buddy system, are the same for any emergency. Whether you decide to stay put in an emergency or evacuate to a safer location, you will need to make plans in advance for your poodle. Keep in mind that what's best for you is typically what's best for your poodle.

If you must evacuate, take your poodle with you if possible. However, if you are going to a public shelter, it is important to understand that animals may not be allowed inside. Plan in advance for shelter alternatives that will work for both you and your poodle.

Make a back-up emergency plan in case you can't care for your poodle yourself. Develop a buddy system with neighbors, friends and relatives to make sure that someone is available to care for or evacuate your pets if you are unable to do so. Be prepared to improvise and use what you have on hand to make it on your own for at least three days, maybe longer.

Preparing for Your Pets Makes Sense. Get Ready Now.

We can't control mother nature but we can be prepared for fire, earthquakes, hurricanes, tornadoes, flooding and other weather-related emergencies.

1)Train your pets to become familiar with their carriers ahead of time. Then the carrier will be a secure and comforting refuge if the animal is required to live in it for dayseven weeks-after the storm.

2) Prepare an emergency kit well in advance. Store it in an easily accessible location.

Include: First aid kit specifically for pets (store bought or assemble your own), one carrier per pet with bedding, towels, foil/space blanket, food (at least a 2 week supply) in watertight containers, can opener, bottled water, unbreakable food and water bowls, all meds and prescriptions, copies of vet records and/or proof of ownership, small plastic garbage bags for used clean up and garbage, paper towels, plastic tarp, large plastic garbage bags, flashlight, extra batteries in sealed plastic bag.

3) If given orders to evacuate your home *do not* leave your poodle. If you have no choice, leave "Pets Inside" stickers or notes on doors and windows with contact info. If you have evacuated with your poodle, leave a note on the door saying "Evacuated with pets". Have a buddy plan with your neighbors to check up on each other.

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4) Many pets intuitively know change is in the wind and may hide or run away. Keep all poodles in one room or part of the house where the doors and windows are secured.

5) In case you lose cell phone contact, keep a hard copy of important info with a waterproof cover including: vet contact info including emergency vets, animal control agencies in your area and/or destination area.

6) Research in advance shelters and hotels which accept pets. If they are unable to house both you and your pets, arrange shelter for your pets at a veterinarian or kennel close to your evacuation location so that you will be able to have as much contact with them as possible. You and your pets will fare better if you are together. Staying with friends or relatives in a safe area are a good choice.

7) Keep your vehicle serviced and gassed up. If you are taking public transportation or other means, place as many needed items possible in a large wheeled suitcase with the pet carrier on top.

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

8) Place an of clothing like a worn T-shirt that smells of you, and place inside the carrier. The familiar scent will bring comfort to your poodle especially if you are separated from them.

9) Even if you poodle is micro-chipped, add a collar with ID and have a leash handy. Tape contact info of the poodle(s) outside the carrier written on plastic with waterproof ink. Include: your tel. #, address, email, your vet's info and a small identifying photo of each poodle sealed in plastic.

To prevent losing your pet during severe weather.....

Know your poodle's common rest or hiding place. If chaos due to changes in weather should occur, no doubt this is where you will find them.

Be aware that with severe weather can come changes to your poodles environment. Unfamiliar sounds, smells and sights. These changes can cause confusion to pets causing it to become disorientated or lost.

After a disaster.....

Use caution letting your poodle outside after a major disaster. Follow the direction of emergency personel as to whether your environment is safe for you and your poodle.

When you know you have done everything you can do to protect all members of the family, disaster preparedness will give you tremendous peace of mind.