



# *Shawnee Kennel Club*

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### ***General Membership Meeting***

The Shawnee Kennel Club May general meeting will be held at 6:30, on Tuesday, May 19, 2009, at the Frederick County Public Safety Building, off US 50 (south of Winchester). Address is 1080 Coverstone Drive.

Margaret Hilliard will present the Program on her trip to the World Dog Show in Sweden.

Bring finger food, the club will furnish drinks and paper goods.

Please let Ellen Rivers or Sharon Howse know (see below), as early as possible, whether you plan to attend, so we can be sure of a quorum for voting and know how many drinks to buy.

Board Members should arrive at 6:00, for a brief board meeting.

#### **DIRECTIONS:**

From West coming towards Winchester, on US 50, Turn Right (at the traffic light) onto Prince Frederick Drive, go to end and veer left onto Coverstone Drive.

From East coming towards Winchester, on US 50, Turn Left (at the traffic light) onto Prince Frederick Drive, go to end and veer left onto Coverstone Drive.

There is a large new car dealership on the corner of US 50 and Prince Frederick Drive.

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Tuesday, June 16, 2009 at the Frederick County Public Safety Building

Board Meeting at 6:00 p.m.

General Membership Meeting at 6:30 p.m. at the Frederick County Public Safety Building Last Meeting before our July Shows

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## President's Message

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A Dream Come True

Since Jerry has become an AKC Judge, we've dreamed of both of us judging at a supported entry or a specialty with Jerry judging the regular classes and me judging the sweepstakes. We had always thought if our dream came true it would probably be in Cairns so we were very surprised and pleased to get the invitation to judge Westies at the recent Columbia Terrier Association Show. Jerry was invited to judge the regular classes, and they invited me to judge the sweepstakes. Since I don't judge that much, I decided that I needed a new outfit for the occasion. ☺ I found the perfect outfit at Belk, and Cindy Degidio saw me the day I was trying on my new outfit, and she really liked my selection. As the time drew closer for the show, I was busy studying the Westie breed standard, and I watched Jerry's AKC video on Westies. As I wrote in a previous newsletter, I went to the training classes one evening when we didn't have hand bell practice, and Gary let me go over some of the table dogs. Gary gave me some very good pointers to help me improve my judging time.

We drove our RV up to the show site, and stayed in the RV. That ended up being a very wise decision as we were parked very close to the exhibition hall so we had a place to relax and get away when we weren't inside the exhibition hall. We brought along 2 of our younger Cairns for socialization. The night before the show we attended a judges dinner at a restaurant that was close to the fairgrounds. Their special was soft shell crabs prepared "Bomber Style". I had no idea what "Bomber Style" was, but I decided to give it a try. I found out later that it was "Baltimore Style", but pronounced with no "ti". Being from the south, southerners are known for adding syllables to their words and making a short one syllable word have two syllables or more so the missing syllable had me puzzled which is why I thought it was "Bomber" instead of "Baltimore". It was a very good meal, and Jerry and I both really liked the crab cake, but I think we both prefer the hard shell version of crabs to the soft shell crabs. ☺ Most of the Cairn people know that Jerry and I don't always agree on how we place puppies when we judge, as we don't always agree when we're grading our own litters. However, in our own roundabout ways, we usually come up with the same conclusion. In the end, Jerry's Best Puppy was also my Best of Opposite Sex in Sweepstakes Puppy. The Westie club member who gave me my gift for judging sweepstakes told me that Jerry and I were like the Hartingers in our judging so I guess we were good entertainment for the people sitting at ringside. It was a fun day for both of us, and we've had fun discussing the puppies that we both judged that day. We both agreed that one class of puppies was so very nice that any of those puppies could win the class on another day.

Our premium list has been proofed and went to the printer last week so we're hoping to have premiums to pass out at the May meeting. The judges' hospitality letters have been revised and are in the mail. Our next board meeting and general membership meeting is the same evening on Tuesday, May 19 at 6:30 p.m. for the general membership meeting and 6:00 p.m. for the board meeting. Both meetings will be at the Frederick County Public Safety Building. I'm looking forward to Margaret Hilliard's program on her 2008 trip over to Sweden for the World Dog Show. The club will provide the paper goods and drinks, and we ask the members to bring a finger food. Hope to see everyone at the May meeting.

## Announcements

From the Show Catalog Advertising Chairman:

We will once again have ads in the show catalog. They can be as simple as wishing everyone luck at the shows or can celebrate a nice show win or perhaps even memorialize a precious dog. And, if you have any business contacts that you think might like to have an ad in our catalog, those ads are most welcome. The object is to make a little money to offset the expenses of the shows.

Ad costs are as follows: Full Page=\$50, Half Page=\$25. If you want to include a photograph in your ad, that costs an additional \$10 (precisely what MB-F charges to put a photo in).

I will need your ads in my hands (or electronically) by May 28 in order to meet the MB-F deadline. If you need assistance with your ad, let me know.

The Ad Layout Form is available on the Shawnee Web site or directly from me...e-mail or call and I'll mail one to you. Also, I will be at the May 19 meeting and would be delighted to collect ad forms and checks at that time.

Regina Swygert-Smith, Shawnee Ad Person Home Phone: 540-868-1055  
E-mail: [randm@bilbroughsterriers.com](mailto:randm@bilbroughsterriers.com)

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Hi all,

Our conformation classes ended last night and was successful as usual. We had 22 handlers working their dogs and learning the fine skills of dog showing. A big thank you to Lorraine and Ashley for helping Connie and me to train the class. Thank you also to the members and students that helped set up and clean up. We will start summer classes on June 3rd for 6 weeks at Jim Barnett park. We will charge \$20 for the 6 week session and start run from at [7p.m.to](http://7p.m.to) 8p.m. I will check for the exact location in the park and provide that information later.

Connie & Gary

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The George Alston Seminar is booked for September 12 & 13, 2009. There will be room for Beginners, Advanced, and Observers. For more information, contact Anne Legge, (540) 667-2937, [annelegge@comcast.net](mailto:annelegge@comcast.net).

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The new Members Only section of the website is now functioning--very barebones--but at least it is now available. If someone can forward the minutes from past meetings, I will post those.

Our domain name of shawneekennelclub.com is still not fixed but the alternate works fine--so set your bookmarks at <http://shawneekennelclub.net>

When you open the front page, go to the Links and scroll down to Members Only. After you click on the link, you will be asked for a login and password.

Login username: Shawnee  
Password: 2008puppy

If you need to contact me about the website, use this address:  
[mlvc@earthlink.net](mailto:mlvc@earthlink.net)  
Mary Lou Crouch

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## Of Interest to All

Permission to forward in its Entirety

Just ask Wayne Pacelle, **all breeders are commercial breeders, even show/hobby breeders**. From Wayne Pacelle's blog, dated April 1, 2009. The following is taken from his blog:

"This year, with all of the awareness and exposés of puppy mill abuses, there are more reform efforts than ever in the states--from Maine to California, and more than half the states in between. And again, what we get is **vitriol and antagonism from zealous dog breeders**, silence or opposition from the American Kennel Club on the legislation, and even resistance from a few state veterinary medical organizations." [snip]

"But **there is a class of commercial dog breeders out there--apparently, a good number of them who are not even high-volume puppy mills--who raise their voices loudly against any attempt to impose reasonable standards of care for dogs and limits on how large these operations can be**. Since they can hardly attack the substance of the legislation--because the provisions are so obviously rational (such as giving the animals an opportunity to exercise, or not forcing them to live on wire flooring their entire lives)--they attack The HSUS, almost unable to restrain themselves. They spew knowingly false things about The HSUS wanting to ban all pet ownership. In the past, in my blog and elsewhere, I've addressed these prevarications, where they take one quote completely out of context from 15 or 20 years ago, and treat that fragmented comment as doctrine, even though there are decades of public statements and action on my part and that of my colleagues that unmistakably celebrate the human-animal bond and The HSUS's vigorous support of pet keeping." [snip]

"The opponents of any and all reform efforts--led by Patti Strand, a board member of the American Kennel Club and a founder of an organization called the National Animal Interest Alliance (supported by the full gamut of fur retailers, trophy hunters, and other animal-abuse industries)--never propose anything positive. They are just naysayers and knee-jerk opponents, and they just want to tear down any law to help animals. They don't advance reform ideas of their own, because the fact is they want no laws to protect animals. In some cases, it's because they operate under the assumption that there's just no problem, or the ludicrous notion that passing a piecemeal reform will inevitably lead to a ban on all breeding. In other cases, it's **simple self-delusion** or **hatred of government regulation**. **In the face of these desperate and malicious tactics, we will only step up our efforts. We'll put more resources into the fight**, knowing more than ever that we are on the side of right and that God's creatures need us to stand up for them more than ever."

If you've never been moved to get personally involved in the fight to protect our rights to own, breed and show dogs of our choosing, I suggest that the time is now!

Wayne's full blog for April 1st can be found here - read it and be afraid...be very afraid! Take action now!!!  
<http://hsus.typepad.com/wayne/2009/04/page/2/>

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## The Recipe & Directions

### The Skunk Remedy Recipe

In a plastic bucket, mix well the following ingredients:

1 quart of 3% Hydrogen Peroxide

1/4 cup of baking soda

1 to 2 teaspoons liquid soap

for very large pets one quart of tepid tap water may be added to enable complete coverage.

Wash pet promptly and thoroughly, work the solution deep into the fur. Let your nose guide you, leave the solution on about 5 minutes or until the odor is gone. Some heavily oiled areas may require a "rinse and repeat" washing.

Skunks usually aim for the face, but try to keep the solution out of the eyes - it stings. If you have any cuts on your hands you might want to wear latex gloves for the same reason.

After treatment, thoroughly rinse your pet with tepid tap water.

Pour the spent solution down the drain with running water.

NEVER, ever, store mixed solution in a closed bottle, sprayer, etc. Pressure will build up until the container bursts. This can cause severe injury.

Thanks to Judy Hogentogler.

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Here's my tried and true recipe. I use those big spray bottles from Dollar Tree - they hold about a quart.

Fly, Flea, Tick, Bee, & Mosquito Repellent

Ingredients are full strength essential oils:

Tea Tree Oil  
Rosemary Oil  
Sage Oil  
Cedarwood Oil  
Peppermint Oil  
Orange Oil  
Lavender Oil  
Eucalyptus Oil  
Rose Geranium Oil  
Citronella Oil  
Pine Needle Oil

cheap vodka (as a preservative) - approx 4 ounces per 16 ounce bottle distilled water

Directions:

Mix 2-3 drops of each with 16 oz. spray bottle. IF you choose to make a stronger mix, go easy on the Tea Tree oil - too much can be toxic. Also, the citronella oil smells horrible in large doses.

Shake before each application. Lightly spray over entire body.

Repels fleas, ticks, mosquitoes, flies, and also makes the car and crate/bed smell great.

Spray lightly on dogs and blankets. Use before going Tracking or into the outdoor ring. It's also effective for use on humans too.

Here's the Spot-on Recipe.

It was originally posted on Belg-L (Belgian sheepdog list) and forwarded to me by a friend.

I plan to use it this summer. As for making greasy spots on coat - my doggie neuromuscular therapist uses essential oils in her treatment. When dogs need certain compounds for healing, the body soaks them right up - I've never seen an oily spot on a dog after she applies an oil. She seems to use a lot of rosemary and basil oil. I pay close attention when she treats my dogs - it's fascinating.

Here's the recipe as it came to me, and a link to the commercial product using the same ingredients.

<http://www.onlynaturalpet.com/products/Sentry-Natural-Defense-Flea-Tick-Squeeze-On-for-Dogs/207000.aspx>

Spot on tick and flea repellent.  
3-4 drops of each

peppermint oil  
cinammon oil  
lemon grass oil  
clove oil  
thyme oil

Fill equal amounts in a small jar with eye-dropper lid. Shake well.

Apply along spine starting with shoulders and finish at base of tail. Part hair all the way so it soaks into the skin. 4 ml should be used up to 40# adjust for dogs greater or lesser in weight. Apply every two weeks if necessary.

Karen W.

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It Simply Works

By C.A. Krowzack, DVM

In February of 1998, the Great Lakes Irish Wolfhound Association (GLIWA) held their annual meeting. The meeting is an occasion for fellowship of the members, the club attends to business and also hosts a speaker on a special topic. In the past it has been obedience, therapy dog training, and this year the topic was acupuncture.

Dr. Debbie Mitchell gave an overview of what acupuncture is, its history and its medical uses.

Then, using a member's dog, showed the participants several acupuncture/acupressure points that they could utilize. One point was to stimulate gastrointestinal motility to combat bloat.

This week at my clinic, a GLIWA member brought her wolfhound in for an examination. During the night Quinn had begun experiencing discomfort. He sleeps in the bedroom with his owners. The husband had worked a long day and was asleep, but the wife was awakened by the restless behavior of Quinn. When she petted him she found his abdomen severely enlarged and hard to the touch. She knew it was bloat, but didn't know what to do. She is a small woman, and Quinn a large dog. She remembered the acupressure point Dr. Mitchell had shown and began massaging it. Within a few minutes, Quinn began passing "a lot of gas" and his abdomen became smaller and softer. The husband and wife brought Quinn in the next morning to make sure he was all right, and because he had diarrhea.

On examination, Quinn was completely normal. He was not experiencing discomfort upon palpation, and no abnormalities beside the diarrhea could be found. Because she remembered the acupressure point, the wife had saved Quinn's life. The acupressure point is on the hind leg. If you start at the hock, on the front of the leg (anterior) you can feel the tibia. Move your hand up the leg along the tibia's sharp crest; what in humans would be called the shin. As your hand approaches the stifle, or the "knee" the crest becomes very pronounced and then curls around to the outside (laterally). Just inside this curve is a depression. The acupressure point is in this depression. An acupuncturist might insert a needle into this spot, or inject a liquid, but, as Quinn's owners will attest, massaging also stimulates the point. The gastrointestinal tract starts to contract and move (peristalsis) and expels the built up gas before torsion can occur. If torsion has occurred, massaging the spot will not help.

I don't recommend this procedure instead of veterinary treatment, but begun early, or on the way for veterinary treatment, can save your hound's life!

(In addition, Dr Krowzack is now studying acupuncture at Colorado State University( or Colorado University).

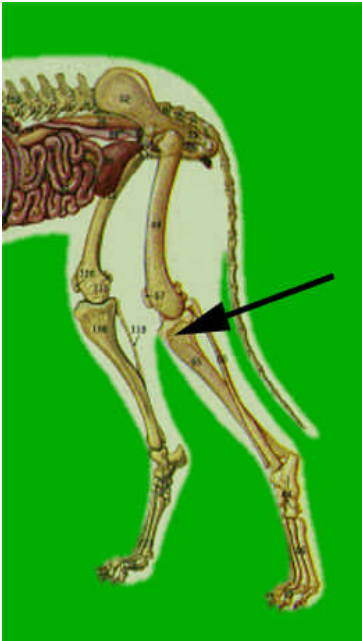


Illustration 1.



**Dr. Krowzack demonstrates**

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## **Brag**

Harrisburg KC, Jamie Lamphier showed her Bouvier Ella to BOB over 10 specials, including the #1 Bouv who had won the group the two previous days to finish her championship with a 5 point major. You can see them on the Animal Planet production sometime in July.

Mom Mary managed a piddly 3 point major on GSP Bo.

Jamie was also Best Junior at the Gunpowder River Golden Retriever Specialty and at the Irish Setter Club of Delaware Specialty.

PS. Jamie just received a phone call to let her know she was the top junior handler for Gordon Setters for 2008.

Mary Lamphier

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CH Bilbrough's RedHot Formal Affair – "Tilloo" (Schancho's Man In Black & CH Bilbrough's WeeSassy Molassy) who completed her championship in grand style when at just 16 months she garnered 4 & 5 point majors Montgomery weekend, whelped a healthy robust litter of 5 – 2 boys and 3 girls on April 8. Sired by Fentondale's Rudy Rooster's Rabbit Ridge – "Rudy" (CH Sandina Sorcerer & Fentondale's Courageous Cat), this litter has attracted a lot of interest. Caroline Galloway, owner of both Tilloo and Rudy, reports the list of prospective owners is ever-growing from the veterinarian who whelped them, to the handler who finished Tilloo. A couple of well known terrier judges have already weighed in on the quality of these puppies. Tilloo's sisters (Moolah and Timber) are right behind her, each only needing one major to complete their championships. Expect to hear much more about this trio *and* their brother Truitt who is just beginning his show career.

Donna Wiley

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