

TOPLINES

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Officers 2024

President: Sue Quinn
Vice Pres.: Beth Santure
Secretary: Sue Proctor
Treasurer: John Schauer

Our club members earned a total of 53 new titles in 2023. These were earned by 8 different members, with one member, John Schauer and his dog, Ginny, earning a whopping 23 titles!! Here's a breakdown of the types of titles earned:

- 1 Conformation Title
- 21 Scent Work Titles
- 5 Barn Hunt Titles
- 5 Obedience or Rally Titles
- 5 Fast Cat Titles
- 12 Agility Titles
- 1 Canine Good Citizen
- 1 Trick Dog Title
- 2 AMSC Versatility Titles

Congratulations!

Year end awards will be presented at the next meeting.



In 2023, the Miniature Schnauzer Club of Michigan hosted 2 AKC Breed Specialties, a 3 day AKC Agility Trial, and a 2 day AKC FAST CAT trial. Thank you to the exhibitors for supporting our events, and especially a big thank you to the club members for making these events possible.

Miniature Schnauzer Club of Michigan

Lunch/Meeting

Sunday, May 5, 2024

At

11:30 a.m.

The Black Label Tavern

34110 Plymouth Rd

Livonia, MI 48150

www.blacklabeltavern.com

**RSVPs by Weds, May 1st, to the google group, email:
quinndixie@gmail.com , or Sue Q. at 586-532-0725.**

AS ALWAYS GUESTS ARE WELCOME!!



The June meeting will be held at Ann Arbor Dog Training Club on Saturday, June 8th, 1 pm-7pm. Dogs are welcome.

CI ub News:

2024 Calendar of Events

May 5 (Sunday) 11:30 a.m. @ Black Label Tavern, 34110 Plymouth Rd, Livonia, MI 48150

June 8 (Saturday)- 1 p.m.-7 p.m. @ Ann Arbor Dog Training Club, 1575 E North Territorial Rd, Whitmore Lake, MI 48189 Dogs Welcome. Some dog activities will be planned.

July 26,27,28-MSCM Agility Trial & FAST CAT Trials @ All Dogs Can, 2040 N. Lapeer Road, Lapeer, MI 48446

August 14 (Wednesday)-Evening Zoom Meeting

September 27 (Friday)-MSCM Specialty, Monroe County Fairgrounds, Monroe, MI

October 20 (Saturday)-Valiant Bar & Grill, 1120 S. Main Street, Chelsea, MI 48118

December 7(Saturday)-Coral Gables Restaurant, 2838 E Grand River Ave, East Lansing, MI 48823

The MSCM Agility & FAST CAT Trials are July 26,27,28 2024.

Volunteers are needed to help, especially with the FAST CAT trials on Saturday & Sunday the 27th & 28th.

There are easy jobs & lots of fun watching the dogs run!



Performance Corner by JoAnne Scott

Do's and Don'ts for Visiting Dog-Friendly Stores

Taking our dogs into busy retail establishments should not be attempted casually or without preparation. Keeping your dog calm and comfortable and ensuring the comfort and safety of your fellow shoppers requires advance preparation, time, effort, and attention to detail. Employ these tips to ensure an uneventful visit with your well behaved dog.

Follow the rules

Does the store have a pet policy? If so, be sure to follow it. Follow unposted commonsense rules, too, such as:

- Bring a healthy, clean, well-groomed dog.
- Use appropriate equipment, such as a short, strong leash (no retractable leashes!) and an appropriate collar or harness.
- Carry poop bags and cleaning wipes.
- Bring one dog at a time. It's impossible to manage two or three dogs in unpredictable situations, and that's exactly what shopping visits can be.
- Scout the location ahead of time. Is the site really appropriate for your dog? Visit the store for the first time without your dog to see whether the location is a good match to your dog's personality and training. If it isn't, look elsewhere.
- Avoid peak shopping hours. Even a well-matched store can be challenging if it's noisy, crowded, or overwhelming for your pup.
- Avoid grand openings, special sales, rowdy celebrations, or peak attendance hours.
- Practice basic behaviors. Visiting dogs who know how to walk on a loose leash, sit, stay, and come when called are more likely to behave more politely than dogs who don't. Perfect your dog's manners by practicing in unfamiliar environments until your dog is reliably polite in new settings and around strangers and other animals.
- Know why you're going. Do you plan to shop for something? Will you consult salespeople? If so, don't bring your dog unless he or she can lie quietly while you transact business. If a store trip is a training opportunity, focus on the interactions you want to encourage or improve, and anticipate the steps you'll need to take for best results.
- Park where you can take your dog for a pre-shopping walk. Instead of going straight to the front door, take a stroll and give your dog time to explore, urinate, and defecate far from the entrance. Clean up after your dog and leave your pick up bag in a trash receptacle or in your car for later disposal.
- Maintain control. Keep your dog next to you on a short leash, rewarding your dog with treats

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or other rewards that your dog responds to.

- Respect other dogs and people. Retail stores are not puppy playgrounds. Prevent your dog from approaching others without their consent. Study your dog's body language and interrupt any behaviors that might harm children, other pets, or product displays.
- Pay attention. Inattentive handlers create problems by not noticing while their dogs chew, look, bite, or urinate on merchandise, make threatening eye contact with other dogs, or jumping on people. "He's just being friendly" is not an acceptable excuse. If you're not able to pay attention to your dog when you visit a store, practice until responsible handling skills become second nature.
- Minimize barking and other vocalizations. Polite visits are quiet, not noisy. Barking, growling, whining, yipping, and other sound effects might be familiar and unthreatening to you, but they may annoy or frighten others. At their worst, noisy dogs are disruptive and can initiate confrontations, especially with other canine visitors.
- Be alert to where you can and can't take your dog. Most stores do not allow dogs in food service areas because of health code regulations, and some areas may be off limits for other reasons. Pay attention to signs that define "no pets" areas.

When Nova was a puppy and I took her out to socialize, I always carried her in my arms. I didn't want her on the dirty floors or where she could be approached by other dogs. The store had already put out their Halloween decorations. One was a life-size werewolf. When we approached it, the thing's eyes turned red, its mouth opened and it roared. Nova wasn't the least bit afraid of it, she was fascinated by it. 🐾🐾

SHOW CALENDAR

Breed & Obedience/ Rally 2024

May 20-21 O
Greater Brighton Collie
Club
Flint, MI

May 25-29
Breed, Obed, Rally
Various KCs
Kalamazoo, MI

June 8-11
Breed, Obed, Rally
Midland KC
Midland, MI

Agility 2024

May 5-7
Grand Rapids AC
Cedar Springs, MI

May 12-14
FDGWPC & AADTC
Whitmore Lake, MI

May 18-21
Mt. Pleasant MI KC
Midland, MI

May 26-28
CDTC
Lapeer, MI

June 2-4
Sportsmens
Lapeer, MI

June 3-4
St. Joe Valley Agility
Club
Berrien Springs, MI

June 9-11
Up N Over Agility Club
Lapeer, MI

June 16-18
AADTC
Whitmore Lake, MI

June 17-18
Boston Terrier Club
Midland, MI

June 23-25
Kalamazoo KC
Kalamazoo, MI

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Braggs

Cash (GCH Ch Karmas Huntwood Ring of Fire) was Select Dog at an ABGA Supported Entry following the Griffon National in Louisville, and in last weekend's Macomb/Jaxon shows took OH Group 1, OH Group 2, and OH Group 4. Owned: Mark Francis Jaeger & Karin Jaeger & Susan Depew .

At the Warren County Kennel club show, Donnella's Mayhem at Maneau was WB/BW/BOB, Owner handler Group 2 and Terrier Group 4 on Saturday for a 4pt major. She also was WB/BOS on Sunday for a 3pt major. Donnella's Tilted Kilt at Maneau his first show on Saturday was WD/BOS/Puppy Group 1 for a 3pt major. He also was Puppy group 3 on Sunday. Both are owned by Donna Klaus and Marcia Coffman.

Congratulations!



Sunday, March 24th Kacey earned his CA title (Coursing Ability) at the Savannah Kennel Club's Fast Cat and CA trials. The Coursing Ability title is a 600 yard course the dog runs chasing the bags, much like Fast Cat, but with turns. Kacey also earned his Agility Excellent Title (AX). Shown by Lynn Baitinger.

JoAnne Scott and Nova earned their MACH 4 (Master Agility Champion) on Sunday, April 7, 2024.



Braggs

NEW GRAND CHAMPION Sercatep's Star Bound "Karter" Finished at the Harrisburg, PA Shows. Owned/bred by Debbie Herrell.



NEW CHAMPION Loneacre Come And Take It "Pistol" finished at the Harrisburg, PA shows. Pistol also won an Owner Handled Group 1, Owner Handled Group 2 and a Terrier Group 3. Owned/bred by Beth Santure.

NEW CHAMPION Loneacre's Hellcat "Kit" finished Friday at Columbus, OH show, winning Best of Opposite, Best of Winners, and Winners Bitch. Kit at the Harrisburg, PA shows on Thurs was Best of Winners & Winners Bitch, on Sat was Winners Bitch. Owned by Beth Santure & Lynn Baitinger, bred by Beth Santure.



GCH Loneacre's Pint of Guinness TKN, SWN "Dublin" earned his Scent work Novice Interior Title & Novice Exterior Title, completing all the Novice Level elements. Also earning 2 Advanced Container legs. Owned by Sue Quinn & Beth Santure. Bred by Beth Santure & Kate McMillan.