



TOPLINES

Miniature Schnauzer Club of Michigan

*"You have to have confidence in your ability, and then be tough enough to follow through."
Rosalynn Carter*

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Bio Sensor Method of Stimulation

The U.S. Military in their canine program developed a method that still serves as a guide to what works. In an effort to improve the performance of dogs used for military purposes, a program called "Bio Sensor" was developed. Later, it became known to the public as the "Super Dog" Program. Based on years of research, the military learned that early neurological stimulation exercises could have important and lasting effects. Their studies confirmed that there are specific time periods early in life when neurological stimulation has optimum results. The first period involves a window of time that begins at the third day of life and lasts until the sixteenth day. It is believed that because this interval of time is a period of rapid neurological growth and development, and therefore is of great importance to the individual.

The "Bio Sensor" program was also concerned with

early neurological stimulation in order to give the dog a superior advantage. Its development utilized six exercises, which were designed to stimulate the neurological system. Each workout involved handling puppies once each day. The workouts required handling them one at a time while performing a series of five exercises. Listed in no order of preference the handler starts with one pup and stimulates it using each of the five exercises. The handler completes the series from beginning to end before starting with the next pup. The handling of each pup once per day involves the following exercises:

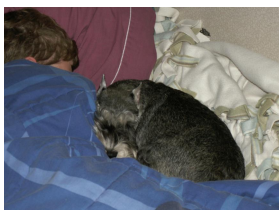
1. Tactile stimulation - holding the pup in one hand, the handler gently stimulates (tickles) the pup between the toes on any one foot using a Q-tip. It is not necessary to see that the pup is feeling the tickle. Time of stimulation 3 - 5 seconds.



2. Head held erect - using both hands, the pup is held perpendicular to the ground, (straight up), so that its head is directly above its tail. This is an upwards position. Time of stimulation 3 - 5 seconds



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Josh Giles and Scarlett

Miniature Schnauzer Club of Michigan

MSCM SUNDAY BRUNCH

February 21, 2010

11:00 am {Brunch}

12:00 Noon {General Meeting}



Coral Gables Restaurant

2838 E. Grand River Ave.

East Lansing, MI

Phone 517-337-1311

Brunch

General Meeting

Directions: Take I-96 to exit 110 (Okemos Rd.). Go north on Okemos Rd. to M-43 (Grand River Ave.). Businesses on that corner include: Bennigan's Restaurant, Marathon gas station & BP/Amoco station. Turn left on to M-43 (Grand River). After the bridge over the railroad tracks, there is a traffic light at Park Lake Rd. and another at Northwind Dr. (there's a Farmer Jack's on southwest corner of intersection). **Coral Gables** entrance is the fourth on the right following this light (after Tom's Party store, a Hollywood Video, & the new Oriental Market). If you get to Brookfield Shell gas station, you've gone too far.

From the North: From Business 69 left onto Park Lake Rd. Right (East) onto M-43 (Grand River Ave.) Follow directions from there as detailed above.

Please contact Karin Jaeger for additional information
Phone (517) 351-0412 or email at: karinjaeger@voyager.net and let her know that you are coming!

GUESTS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME!!

2010 Calendar of Important Events



FEBRUARY 21-
 MSCM Brunch &
 General Meeting
 11:00 a.m.
 Coral Gables
 Restaurant East
 Lansing
May 1-

MSCM Dinner Meeting- Bavarian Inn,
 Frankenmuth

JUNE

Annual MSCM Outdoor Potluck

Meeting & Eye Clinic

JULY 30- MSCM First Agility Trial,
 Dexter, MI

AUGUST-

SEPTEMBER 24-

MSCM Fall Specialty Show-Monroe,
 MI-Monroe County Fairgrounds

OCTOBER 1-3-

Montgomery County Weekend-
 Pennsylvania

OCTOBER 23-

MSCM Dinner Meeting-

DECEMBER 11-

MSCM Christmas Banquet & Awards-
 Coral Gables, East Lansing

On July 30th, the MSCM will be hosting it's FIRST Agility Trial! All members are encouraged to take part in this event. More information will be made available in the next issue of Toplines and at the next meeting.



HOUSEHOLD MEDICATIONS FOR PETS

**The following is a list of common household human medications that can be used on pets.
 **These medications can be extremely useful if you cant reach a veterinarian immediately.

Product	Common Usage	Canine Dosage	Feline Dosage
Benadryl	Treats Allergies, Itching, etc.	½-1 mg per lb. Every 8 Hours Maximum Dosage 2mg per lb.	¼ mg per lb. Every 8 Hours Can cause Excitability
Buffered Aspirin (Ascriptin)	Pain Relief Anti-inflammatory	5 mg per lb. Every 12 Hours	NOT RECOMMENDED!
Dramamine	Reduced motion sickness	12 ½ -50 mg Every 8 hours	12.5 mg Every 8 hours
Hydrogen Peroxide 3 %	Used to induce vomiting after accidental ingestion of poisons.	10 ml by mouth. Repeat in 15 minutes if not vomiting (do not exceed 3 times)	10 ml by mouth. Repeat in 15 minutes if not vomiting (do not exceed 3 times)
Imodium AD (liquid or tablet)	Relieves diarrhea	1 ml per lb.or 1mg per 20 lb Every 8 hours	NOT RECOMMENDED!
Kaopectate	Relieves Diarrhea	1 ml per lb. Every 2 hours	1 ml per lb. Every 2 hours
Mineral Oil	Eliminates Constipation	Up to 4 Tbs daily	Up to 2 Tbs Daily
Canned Pumpkin	Eliminates Constipation	2-3 tsp Every 8- 12 Hours	1-2 tsp. Every 8 -12 Hours
Pepto Bismol	Diarrhea, anti-vomiting, gas	1 tsp per 5 lbs or 1 caplet per 20 lbs Ever 6 hours	NOT RECOMMENDED!
Robitussin DM	Coughing, Hacking	1 tsp per 20 lb. Every 8-12 hours	NOT RECOMMENDED
Ibuprofen & Tylenol	DO NOT USE!!!!	DO NOT USE!!!!	DO NOT USE!!!!

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I AM A BREEDER

Author Unknown

My food receipts for a family of 7 and my dog food bills match

My water bill has doubled

My electricity bill has tripled

It is I, a breeder, who when my fridge quit, saved the dog meds and let the food go bad.

My feet find the way to the kennel before I have even grabbed a cup of coffee in the morning and the kennel is my last stop before bed.

While my friends are on a cruise to the Bahamas and while my family meets for Christmas, I am home delivering puppies

I haven't had a real vacation in 7 years, but maybe soon. All plans are made around heat dates, whelp dates and vet dates.

I shower and 10 minutes later my grand kids say I smell like a dog

My clothes are all stained with fecal matter, urine, afterbirth or bleach.

I have to remember to clean my shoes before church

Most of my friends breed dogs

Who else can you call at 3 am for support?

Who else has the experience I sometimes need, the med I sometimes need, or just an uplifting word I sometimes need?

Who else would understand how it feels to have invested hours and hours and hours in

The objective of the Miniature Schnauzer Club of Michigan is to advance the principals and scientific practices in the breeding of purebred Miniature Schnauzers: foster co-operation between breeder, owner, and veterinarian; encourage the exchange of information and experience among the club members and between show-giving clubs; to conduct sanctioned and licensed specialty shows and matches; and to encourage the adherence to the high standards of conduct and to the rules and regulations of the American Kennel Club.



a weak puppy to lose it? Or the joy in investing hours in one that lives?

I have slept on the floor beside a litter until the crucial 2 weeks have passed. I have bottle fed a litter of 12 .. Feeding every 2 hours and it taking 90 minutes to do for weeks at a time.

I have learned to be proficient at micro chipping, vaccinations, fluids, bottle feeding and tube feeding.

My vet knows me by first name

The vet knows my children by name

The vet now knows my grand children by name

My vet knows it was I who added on the wing to the vet clinic

I am a breeder

It is to me that 63 days takes on new meaning still excited by every new life

It is I who delivers all my pups, towels and heat lamps on ready - happiness and sadness sometimes intermingled -

Even though it increases my work load, I look forward to the 10 day stage when eyes open, and puppies begin to emerge from the helplessness of newborns.

Puppy breath, a first bark. and a heart of exploration.

I am not uneducated, unemployable, illiterate or lazy as some Animal Radical folks would imply of breeders.

I am a conscientious lover of animals and I have found my niche.

I am a breeder.

And although I feel no shame there is a part of me that feels the need to hide from powers that could come to invade my home and take my dogs. ...maybe for

.. finding a mild infraction,

.. a leaf in the water dish

.. a kennel not yet cleaned for the day yet

.. a rash I am home treating?

I tell my children and grand children to hush, do not tell others we are dog breeders, and I wonder when did breeding puppies go into the same secret place as criminal activity?

I am a breeder and I am not cruel, dumb, uncaring or criminal.

I am not raking in money while sitting on my butt.

Every penny I make I earn through blood, sweat and tears.

My greatest joy is a healthy puppy and a wonderful home. The cards of thanks and the pictures of my puppy with its new family is the fringe benefits of my efforts.

I am an animal lover, nurse, midwife, heavy laborer, customer service representative, and marketer

AND I AM PROUD TO BE A BREEDER!

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3. Head pointed down - holding the pup firmly with both hands the head is reversed and is pointed downward so that it is pointing towards the ground. Time of stimulation 3 - 5 seconds



4. Supine position - hold the pup so that its back is resting in the palm of both hands with its muzzle facing the ceiling. The pup while on its back is allowed to sleep struggle. Time of stimulation 3-5 seconds.



5. Thermal stimulation - use a damp towel that has been cooled in a refrigerator for at least five minutes. Place the pup on the towel, feet down. Do not restrain it from moving. Time of stimulation 3-5 seconds.



These five exercises will produce neurological stimulations, none of which naturally occur during this early period of life. Experience shows that sometimes pups will resist these exercises, others will appear unconcerned. In either case a caution is offered to those who plan to use them. Do not repeat them more than once per day and do not extend the time beyond that recommended for each exercise. Over stimulation of the neurological system can have adverse and detrimental results.

These exercises impact the neurological system by kicking it into action earlier than would be normally expected. The result being an increased capacity that later will help to make the difference in its performance. Those who play with their pups and routinely handle them should continue to do so because the neurological exercises are not substitutions for routine handling, play socialization or bonding. Five benefits have been observed in canines that were exposed to the Bio Sensor stimulation exercises:

1. **Improved cardio vascular performance (heart rate)**
2. **Stronger heart beats,**
3. **Stronger adrenal glands,**
4. **More tolerance to stress**
5. **Greater resistance to disease**

*"A mind troubled by doubt cannot focus on the course to victory."
Arthur Golden*

Conformation (MI)

March 6 & 7
Detroit Kennel Club, Cobo Hall
Entries close Feb. 17th

April 10 & 11
Saginaw Valley Kennel Club, Birch Run Expo Center
Entries close March 24

Brag

Loneacre's Dixieland Express
owned by Sue Quinn

***Southern MI Weim Club Agility Trial**

Dec 19th- Nov B STD 1st leg, Nov B JWW, 1st leg

Dec 20th-Nov B STD 2nd leg, Nov B JWW 2nd leg

***Fort Detroit GWP Club Agility Trial**

Jan 22- Nov B STD 3rd leg, NA TITLE

Jan 23- Open STD 1st leg



Loneacre's Found a Peanut, a/k/a Kelsi earned her Agility NA NAJ titles both on the same day, on Jan 10, 2010 and her OAJ title on Jan. 31st ! Kelsi was bred by Beth Santure (CH Loneacre's Chances Are x CH Char N Co Need for Speed) and is owned by Lynn Baitinger

Show Calendar

Obedience & Rally

Feb 26,27 Rally & 27, 28 Obed
Sportsmens Dog Training Club
Warren, MI
Closes 2/10/10

March 6,7 Obed & Rally
Detroit Kennel Club
Detroit, MI
Closes 2/17/10

March 12 Obed
Siberian Husky Club
Dexter, MI
Entry Limit 50
Closes 2/24/10

March 20,21 UKC Obed
Southgate, MI
ukcdogs.com

March 26 Rally & 27,28 Obed
Companion DTC
Flint, MI
Closes 3/10/10

April 2,3 Rally & 3,4 Obed
Kalamazoo KC
Kalamazoo, MI
Closes 3/17/10

April 9 Rally & 10,11 Obed
Saginaw KC
Birch Run, MI
Closes 3/24/10

Agility

Feb 26,27,28
Capital City
Dexter, MI
Friday EX only
Closes 2/10/10

Feb 27,28—UKC Agility- Dogsports of
Genesee Cty
Flint, MI
ukcdogs.com

March 6,7
Sportsmens DTC
Detroit, MI
Closes 2/10/10

March 19,20,21
Oakland County KC
Dexter, MI
Closes 3/3/10

April 2,3,4
Bouvier Club
Dexter, MI
Friday EX only
Closes 3/17/10

April 16,17,18
Siberian Husky Club
Dexter, MI
Closes 3/31/10

April 23,24,25
Ann Arbor DTC
Whitmore Lake, MI
FAST Class Offered