



TOPLINES

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Mutt Matts(Crate blankets) & Miniature Schnauzer Club of MI decals & magnets are still available to purchase. Contact Debbie at sercatep@yahoo.com.

Congratulations to our Miniature Schnauzer Club of Michigan members for titles earned in 2019.

**MACH8 Loneacre's Found A Peanut BN RE MXP MXP2 MJP MJP2
SWA SWE SWM**
Owner Lynn Baitinger, Breeder Beth Santure

CH Loneacre Girls Go Dream Cruisin'
Breeder/Owner Beth Santure

Loneacre's Coming in Hot NA NAJ OA OAJ
Owner JoAnne Scott, Breeder Beth Santure

CH Sercatep's Road To Somewhere
Breeder/Owner Debbra Herrell

CH Sercatep's On The Road Again
Owners Joanne McCallum & Debbra Herrell, Breeder Debbra Herrell

MACH JoFor's Katy Zoomer Koz MXS MJG XF T2B3 SBA SCN SIN
Owner MaryAnn Kozlowski, Breeder Joanne Forster

GCH CH Stonewood Real Azul
Breeder/Owner Karla Hensch

CH Carmel Sky High What a Trip
Owner Cheryl Coffman, Breeder Carma Ewer & Susan Coulter

CH Maneau's Love & Hip Hop
Breeder/Owner Marcia Coffman

**GCHB CH Loneacre's Grand Slam CD PCDX BN RA MX MXJ OF T2B
SCA SIN SEN**
Owner Susan Quinn, Breeder Beth Santure

CH Donnella's Dancing with Enchantment
Breeder/Owner Donna Klaus



Club News:

MSCM Agility Trial

2020 Calendar of Important Events

April 25– CANCELLED

MSCM Dinner Meeting, Bavarian Inn, Frankenmuth, MI

June 27–

MSCM Meeting at Beth Santure's Milan, MI

July 24-26–

MSCM Agility Trial, All Dogs Can, 2040 N. Lapeer Road, Lapeer, MI 48446

August 8–

MSCM Meeting at Joanne Forster's Elkton, MI

September 25–

MSCM Specialty, Monroe County Fairgrounds, Monroe, MI

October 10–

MSCM Meeting at Canine Workshop Fraser, MI

December 5–

MSCM Meeting/Christmas Party, East Lansing, MI

AGILITY TRIAL RAFFLE- Members should bring raffle/silent auction donation items to the April or June meeting. These items will be used to prepare our annual raffle/auction at the July agility trial.

Already prepared baskets are desired, but not necessary. Individual items are also welcome. Silent auction items should be designated as such with an opening bid attached. Items should be new or "like new" and in clean, good condition. Gift cards are great too! Contact JoAnne Scott with any questions, ja.scott@comcast.net

Thank you!

We're on the Web!

www.miniatureschnauzerclubofmichigan.org



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30 Things To Do With Your Dog(s) While Sheltering In Place

We're all dealing with the stress of having most of our normal daily activities drastically changed during the pandemic. Our dogs are not only our companions and dearest friends; they are also our team mates in performance sports. I believe that they feel the stress and also miss the experiences in sharing these sports with us. Here are 30 things that we can do with our dogs to help keep their bodies and minds active and engaged until things start to get back to some sort of normal.

1. Give your dog a massage while binge watching TV.
2. Buy a new toy and wrap it before giving it to you dog. Give them the fun of unwrapping it.
3. Feed their meals scattered in a new way ... how about folded into a towel?
4. Rotate your dog's loose toys into a toy box, and pull out two new toys that are in the bottom of the box every few days.
5. Pick something to enrich your garden for your dog. Sensory gardens are awesome!
6. Find a new place to walk or explore, and allow your dog at least 10 minutes uninterrupted sniffing.
7. Fill a cookie jar with 50 treats/pieces of kibble. Use the whole jar in one day, reinforcing good things around the house. Have another container with 50 human treats for yourself to reinforce working with your dog.
8. Feed breakfast in a kong (or similar container). Put their dinner in another kong and freeze it.
9. Give your dog a box, junk mail or an ugly Christmas card to shred.
10. Throw your dog's meal over the grass in the yard. Pick an area they don't normally toilet in ☹
11. Add one high nutritional food to your dog's regular dinner. Buy some healthy special treats that your dog hasn't had before.
12. Teach your dog to dig and show them one place at your house where they are allowed to dig.
13. Spend a whole day without saying "No", telling off, or yelling at your dog.
14. Find a new off lead walking spot to explore.

15. Train a new behavior with you entirely behind an Xpen. This is “barrier training”.
16. Make a snuffle item i.e., a snuffle ball, snuffle mat or a snuffle box for your dog.
17. Train a simple new trick using LOTS of reinforcement.
18. Feed your dog’s dinner in a brown paper bag.
19. Make sure your dog is groomed, nails done, and looking snazzy even if it’s just to stay home.
20. Train a new super cute interaction with a Christmas object. Take those cute Christmas pictures now.
21. Take a long hike with your dogs if possible.
22. Wrap a gift for your dog and let him unwrap it.
23. Put some crumpled waste paper, an old sock, etc. in a box and throw a handful of kibble or treats in and let the sniffing begin!
24. Rotate some of the toys that your dog has had in the house for a while into storage. When you bring them out again in a few months time it will be like they have brand new toys.
25. Earn a trick title on line.
26. Think about your dog’s goals for 2020. Consider what sport(s) your dog genuinely enjoys, stress levels, and if you want to try something new.
27. Reflect on the positive changes to your dog’s life that you have made this year. Hug your dog.
28. Sign up for a new on-line class with your dog.
29. Hide your dog’s leash somewhere in your home and let him find it.
30. Curl up on the sofa with your dog and think about your best memories with him from the past year.

We will get through this horrible time. When we do, I know that I’ll have a greater appreciation for all the things I have the privilege of doing with my dogs. In the meantime, stay home and stay safe!!!

THE APRIL 25, 2020 MEETING AT THE BAVARIAN INN HAS BEEN CANCELLED.

Our next scheduled meeting is June 27th at Beth's House in Milan, MI.

Meeting information will be in the next Toplines.

SHOW CALENDAR

Agility 2020

May 14-17
Mt. Pleasant Kennel Club
Midland, MI
Closes 5-1

May 29-31
Sportsmens DTC
Lapeer, MI
Closes 5-13

June 5-7
Up N Over Agility Club
Lapeer, MI
Closes 5-23

June 19-21
Kalamazoo KC
Kalamazoo, MI
Closes 6-5

June 26-28
Various clubs
Midland, MI
Closes 6-12

Breed & Obedience/ Rally 2020

June 12-14 Breed & Obed/Rally
Grand Traverse KC
Traverse City, MI
Closes 5-27

June 20-21 Breed & Obed/Rally
Detroit KC
Novi, MI
Closes 6-3

June 26-28
NMAC/MBC
Midland, MI

Please check that shows have not been cancelled.

Don't forget to visit our website
www.miniatureschnauzerclubofmichigan.org
to keep us up in the search for miniature
schnauzers!

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.



Tired of writing out all of those dog show entry forms, visit oaklines.com. You are able to input all of your dog's information and print off the entry forms.