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**86<sup>th</sup> Poodle Club Of America  
National Specialty**

**April 12, 2018 through April 20, 2018**





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## — PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE —

For many of us the natural disasters across our country brought loss, sorrow, and many new challenges. However, we still found time to celebrate our successes and offer congratulations and good wishes to others. We can look forward to Spring and of course the National Specialty, April 12 through April 20, 2018. Please note: this is a week earlier than previous years and this earlier date changes deadline dates for advertisement submission and trophies pledges and of course, entries.

The theme this year is "Poodles at the Gateway". This theme not only represents the iconic St. Louis Archway but also acknowledges the reality that poodles along with all of dogdom are going through major upheaval. We will also be bring back a popular contest of awarding prizes for best decorations reflecting the theme among the grooming set ups.

In December, your Board of Directors met again in Orlando, Florida. As usual we had a successful meeting. The most exciting being a presentation of the long awaited revised Illustrated Breed Standard. As President along with the Board, I can only say THANK YOU and offer our sincere appreciation to the Illustrated Breed Standard Committee (Randy Garren, Chr., Dennis McCoy and Gina Wieser) for their for their extensive work and the long hours spent to bring this project to fruition and most important, their devotion to our breed. We also thank Missy Galloway for taking on the responsibility of soliciting funds to underwrite the endeavor. The new Illustrated Breed Standard is presently being printed and will be available to general membership and the public at our National Specialty. Congratulations to the Orlando Poodle Club's Meet The Breed booth that placed second in the Non-sporting group.

We offer congratulations to our new Individual Breeders Members Elizabeth Reynolds and Sarah Rivkin who were voted into membership at the meeting. We look forward to your continuing contributions to our club.

I look forward to seeing you at Purina Farms in early April. Remember to make your reservations and do not forget the Annual Dinner will again be held on Thursday night.

I am always available to you. Please feel free to contact me at: 440-526-2382, or by email: [msstb@aol.com](mailto:msstb@aol.com)

*Sue Burge*



## — NATIONAL SHOW CHAIRMAN'S REPORT —

*Dated December 2017*

Judy C. Cooksey, Cell: 240-346-5192, Email: adamscooksey@gmail.com

### 2018 PCA NATIONAL SPECIALTY

I hope you all have made your plans to attend the 86th Poodle Club of America's 2018 National Specialty Show. The Performance Events will be held April 12th through April 15th at the August A. Busch Conservation Area, 2360 Hwy D., St. Charles, MO 63304. The Agility, Obedience, Rally and Conformance Events will be held on April 16th through April 20th at Purina Farms, Purina Event Center, 300 Checkerboard Loop, Gray Summit, MO, 63039.

#### DUE DATES:

- **MB-F Entry Closing Date: March 29, 2018 at noon**  
for the Obedience, Rally and Conformation Show.
  - Please see the Performance Events Premium List on the PCA website at [www.poodleclubofamerica.org](http://www.poodleclubofamerica.org) for each Performance Event entry closing date and entry process. Performance Events Premium Lists will NOT be mailed but will be posted on the PCA website
- **Catalog Advertising Due: February 24th**  
to Cathy Catelain, 10 Meadow Ln, Oakwood Hills, IL 60013, Phone: 847-639-0814.
- **Trophy Fund Donations Due: February 24th**  
to Marilyn Page, 1981 Navarone Dr., Naperville, IL 60565, Phone: 815-557-9008
- **Parade of AKC Breed Champions and/or Performance Titleholders 50-word Parade Resume Due: March 29th**  
to Denise Agre-Gill, 1655 County Road 2258, Fulton, MO 65251 or [deagra@me.com](mailto:deagra@me.com). Please include the Variety of your poodle on your resume and indicate Conformation or Performance Parade.
- **RV Parking Request and 2018 RV Parking Auction Winners Per Night Fee Due: March 19th**  
to PCA RV Parking Request, 3595 Maribella Drive, New Smyrna Beach, FL 32168.  
Cost is \$35.00 per night.

**NEW CLASS – AKC OWNER-HANDLED Competition.** I am pleased to announce that PCA will offer the AKC Owner-Handled Competition at our 2018 National Specialty! The AKC Owner-Handled Competition is a non-titling competition for dogs that are exhibited by their owners that are not professional handlers.

**NEW PHOTOGRAPHER:** I am sorry to report that John Ashbey will not be returning to PCA as our Official Photographer. We will miss John very much and thank him for those lovely photos throughout the years. Our new photographer is Vicki Holloway, Holloway Photo. Please stop by and welcome Vicki at the photo booth and pick up your pre-order photo discount coupon. Also, please note photos will be available on-line for purchase and will not be mailed at [www.hollowayphoto.com](http://www.hollowayphoto.com)



## — EVENT DATES, LOCATION AND JUDGES —

### **THE PERFORMANCE EVENTS**

for the dates of April 12th through April 15th will be held at the  
**August A. Busch Conservation Area, 2360 Hwy D., St. Charles, MO 63304.**

#### **Thursday, April 12: AKC Spaniel Hunt Test**

Robert and Susan Deihi, N84 W19194 Menomonee Ave., Menomonee Falls, WI 53051

#### **Friday, April 13: PCA Upland Test**

Robert and Susan Deihi, N84 W19194 Menomonee Ave., Menomonee Falls, WI 53051

#### **Saturday, April 14 and Sunday, April 15: AKC Retriever Hunting Tests**

Carol Greenwald, W 3486 Oakwood Dr., Lake Geneva, WI 53147

Carol Reed, 1513 Co. Rd. 2800 E, El Paso, IL 61738

Michael Evans, 1409 Bales Rd., Knoxville, TN 37914

Luke McCoy, 242 Ruth Rd., Spring City, TN 37381

#### **Saturday, April 14 and Sunday, April 15, AKC Tracking Dog Test and Tracking Dog Excellent Test**

Jack E. Sappenfield, IL, 615 Olive Branch Road, Durham, NC 27703

Carol A. Pernicka, 1532 Spring Wagon Drive, Loveland, CO 80537

#### **Sunday, April 15: PCA Retriever Working Certificate and Working Certificate Excellent Tests**

Carol Greenwald, W 3486 Oakwood Dr., Lake Geneva, WI 53147

Carol Reed, 1513 Co. Rd. 2800 E, El Paso, IL 61738

Michael Evans, 1409 Bales Rd., Knoxville, TN 37914

Luke McCoy, 242 Ruth Rd., Spring City, TN 37381

### **THE AGILITY, OBEDIENCE, RALLY AND CONFORMANCE EVENTS**

will be held on April 16th through April 20th at

**Purina Farms, Purina Event Center, 300 Checkerboard Loop, Gray Summit, MO, 63039**

#### **Monday, April 16: AKC Agility Tests**

Ms. Laura Gillice, 5275 Flanders St, Centennial, CO 80915

#### **Tuesday, April 17: AKC Rally Judge**

Ms. Susie Osburn, 4048 Pepe Circle, Las Vegas, NV 89121

#### **Tuesday, April 17: AKC Obedience Judges**

Mr. Rick Cox, 4140 Gunnison Ct. Unit 611, Estero Fl 33928

Russ and Bonnie Hornfisher, 11645 Lehigh Ct., Plymouth, MI 48170

**Wednesday through Friday, April 18 – 20: Conformation Judges:**



#### **INTERVARIETY COMPETITION:**

Dr. Thomas W. Carneal, 25904 State Hwy EE, Maryville, MO 64468

#### **TOY COMPETITION:**

Mrs. Doris Cozart, 10000 La Jolla, Denton, Texas 76207

#### **MINIATURE COMPETITION:**

Dr. Donald Sturz, 833 Monroe Drive, Centerpoint, New York 11721

#### **STANDARD COMPETITION:**

Mr. Jack MacGillivray, 1720 Louisiana Blvd. N.E., Suite 401, Albuquerque, NM 87110

Note judge change for the Standard Competition.

#### **4 & UNDER 6 MONTHS PUPPY COMPETITION AND THE VETERANS SWEEPSTAKES:**

Mrs. Fatima Weaver, 8881 N. Seymour Ave., #208, Kansas City, MO 64153

#### **JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP COMPETITION:**

Dr. Donald Sturz, 833 Monroe Drive, Centerpoint, NY 11721

#### **PERFORMANCE SWEEPSTAKES:**

Mr. Randy Garren, 8537 Smith Road, Apex, NC 89121

Ms. Susie Osburn, 4048 Pepe Circle, Las Vegas, NV 89121

#### **CHANGES TO EVENT COMMITTEES**

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Mary Ellen Fishler

Chief Obedience & Rally Steward:

Susan Giordana

Obedience Hospitality:

Lois Noble

Parade of Champions & Performance Titleholders:

Denise Agre-Gill

RV Parking on Grounds:

Donald Adams, Keith Burbank, Wallace Davis

Trophies:

Mildred Bartlett, Dianne Flanagan, Marilyn Page

Official Photographer:

Holloway Photo

*Please stop by and welcome Vicki at the photo booth and pick up your pre-order photo discount coupon.  
Also, please note photos will be available on-line for purchase and will not be mailed at  
[www.hollowayphoto.com](http://www.hollowayphoto.com).*



## — COMMITTEE REPORTS —

Foundation Seminar: Please note location changes.

**Annual PCA Foundation Seminar will be held on Tuesday, April 17th in the Founder's Room, Registration at 8:00 A.M. and Seminar at 8:30 A.M. – 11:30 A.M.**

Introduction and update on PCAF-funded Addison's disease research, followed by our featured speaker. This year we are delighted to welcome Danika Bannasch, DVM, PhD, one of the country's leading canine geneticists, to talk about state-of-the-art in breeding healthy dogs. How do we make wise use of the increasing array of DNA tests, pedigree analysis, frequency of a disease in our breed and other tools to help us in our quest to breed poodle Poodles who live long healthy lives? Dr. Bannasch is an excellent and entertaining speaker who can explain science to those of us who aren't scientists. We hope you can join us.

### **HEALTH TESTING OFFERED DURING PCA WEEK:**

- Monday, April 16, 9:00 A.M. to Friday, April 20, 12:00 Noon: DNA test kits for vWD, Neonatal Encephalopathy, Degenerative Myelopathy and Miniature Poodle Dwarfism will be available at special prices, as well as National Specialty discounts on OptiGen tests for prcd-PRA, rcd4-PRA and DB/RD.

- Tuesday, April 17: CERF (OFA) eye clinic, \$30.00. 9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. Pre-register Monday at the health testing tables. Walk-ins are welcome if clinic slots are available.

PCA Judges Seminar: Tuesday, April 17th, Founder's Room, at 12:00 noon – 5:00 P.M.

### **PCA 5TH ANNUAL GROOMING COMPETITION**

Monday, April 16th in the Gateway Hall. Please stop in to show your support and watch this amazing competition. This competition just keeps on getting bigger and bigger each year and the Sponsor's Prizes are the BEST!

Enter the grooming competition and help us raise funds for PCA. The entry fee is \$50.00 and will be donated in its entirety to PCA!

- The Grooming Competition will be held on Monday, April 16th in the Gateway Hall. Entries are made online using PayPal at <http://www.poodleclubofamerica.org> and close on Monday, April 2nd. Entries will also be accepted at the door for an additional \$10.00 fee. The competitors will be judged by nationally renowned award judges – Philip Schafmayer and Sue Zecco. The Sponsors of the Grooming Competition are Artero USA, Utsumi, Wahl and Ligato USA.

**RAFFLES:** Your support is greatly appreciated and necessary for the success of our Raffles. Please contact the following Raffle Chairs for any questions:

- PCA Raffle: Debby DuBay, Email – [dlimoges@flash.net](mailto:dlimoges@flash.net) or contact Debby via Facebook
- PCA Rescue: Cindy Crawley, Email – [clcrawley@starpower.net](mailto:clcrawley@starpower.net)





**JUNIORS EDUCATION:** Please visit the Juniors Education Booth at PCA and show your support by purchasing a ticket for the Annual Quilt Raffle and the 50/50 Raffle for \$10,000.00.

- Junior Education Annual Quilt Raffle - The 2018 T-Shirt Quilt, Donated by Janet Sutherland in Memory of AKC CH Lido's Rockin' Red Raquel.. Tickets available at [www.poodleclubofamerica.org](http://www.poodleclubofamerica.org) online store and at the Juniors Education Booth during the show.
- Annual \$10,000 50/50 Raffle Benefitting Jr Education Fund, Tickets available at at the Juniors Education Booth during the show. Drawing will be held Friday following the Standard Variety, need not be present to win.

**LUNCHES AND DINNERS: BY RESERVATION ONLY.**

To make reservations, please use the premium list reservation form or visit the PCA Store at [www.poodleclubofamerica.org](http://www.poodleclubofamerica.org), where you can make and pay for reservation online using PayPal. Space limits the number that can attend, so please make reservations early. The website will become active as soon as the Food Service Contract has been finalized.

**WELCOME PARTY:** The 2018 PCA Welcome Party will be held on Tuesday, April 17th at 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. in the Purina Event Center Founders Room.

**FUND RAISING LIVE AUCTION:** The 2019 PCA Fund Raising Live Auction will be held on Wednesday, April 18 in the Great Hall. The Auction will take place immediately following the Regular Dog Classes for the first thirty four people to enter the building and the first two rows of the RV Parking Spaces.

**HOTELS:** Remember to ask for the PCA Room Rate when making your reservations.

- The Holiday Inn, St. Louis West at Six Flags, 4901 Six Flags Rd., Eureka, MO 63040  
Phone: 636-938-6661
- The Wildwood Hotel, 2801 Fountain Pl., Wildwood, MO 63040, Phone: 636-733-9100



## — ADVERTISING OPPORTUNITIES —

### 86TH POODLE CLUB OF AMERICA NATIONAL SPECIALTY POODLES AT THE GATEWAY 2018

Join us and showcase your accomplishments in the  
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*Show dates: April 12, 2018 through April 20, 2018.*

The National Specialty Catalog is a very effective way for you to reach an audience of more than 1,000 Poodle Exhibitors, Breeders, Handlers, Judges and Poodle lovers from all over the U.S. and more than 25 foreign countries

Affiliate Club Ads	\$50.00
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Each additional Photo	\$15.00
Full Page text only	\$55.00
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Deadline for catalog advertising is Saturday, February 24, 2018

- Payment can be made by personal check. All Payments MUST be in U.S. funds payable to PCA.
- Or by credit card or PayPal at the PCA Online Store. ([www.poodleclubofamerica.org](http://www.poodleclubofamerica.org))
- FULL PAYMENT must accompany your ad
- **All completed forms and ad materials must be received, by Saturday , February 24, 2018 to:**  
Cathy Catelain, 10 Meadow Lane, Oakwood Hills, IL 60013  
Phone: 847.875.3527 | Email: [catlin012001@yahoo.com](mailto:catlin012001@yahoo.com)

**Moss-Bow will only accept ads from the PCA Advertising Chair**

TO ENSURE THAT YOUR AD IS PRINTED ACCURATELY; PLEASE FOLLOW THESE GUIDELINES

1. You may submit your ad copy on a separate sheet of paper with photos. Or, you may submit a camera ready ad, but an Ad Copy Form must accompany all submissions.
2. Your name, address and Poodle variety MUST be on the Ad Copy Form
3. Please attach your name, address and Poodle's name and Variety on the back of any photos submitted to ensure return to you. Attach photos to the Advertising Copy Form with paper clips, not staples
4. Moss-Bow guidelines for accepted computer media are on the back of the Ad Copy Form.



## — OFFICIAL MAILED CATALOGS\* FOR 2018! —

Even if you can't attend in April, you can still have your own 2018 Official Catalog!!!

The Official Catalog includes the following events:

**THE NATIONAL SPECIALTY SHOW**

**VETERANS SWEEPSTAKES 2018**

**OBEDIENCE/RALLY**

**PARADE OF COMPANION/PERFORMANCE TITLE HOLDERS**

**PARADE OF BREED CHAMPIONS**

**4-6 MONTH PUPPY CLASS**

**JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP**

Plus Kennel, Affiliate Club and Vendor Ads with great photos!

\*Results from the Show will be available on the MBF website: [www.InfoDog.com](http://www.InfoDog.com) and/or Poodle Club of America website: [www.poodleclubofamerica.org](http://www.poodleclubofamerica.org) !

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Ann Wheeler  
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Tulsa, OK 74108



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February 24

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Kennel: \_\_\_\_\_

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### DEADLINE FOR AD SUBMISSION

February 24, 2018, no exceptions.

### PAYMENT

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It is agreed that you are to prepare copy for us if we fail to furnish you with the same in time for publication. It is further agreed verbal understandings in any way are not a part of this agreement. That all conditions are incorporated here in, and this contract is not subject to cancellation except as stated below.

Chapter 24, Section 16 of the American Kennel Club Rules: "this space is sold with the understanding that should the privileges of the American Kennel Club be withdrawn from the purchaser of this space prior to the carrying out of this contract, this contract is hereby automatically cancelled, and any money paid by the purchaser for such space shall be returned.

### TO ENSURE THAT YOUR AD IS PRINTED CORRECTLY, PLEASE FOLLOW THESE GUIDELINES:

1. You may submit your ad or copy of the text on a separate sheet of paper, but this Ad Copy Form MUST accompany each ad, to insure proper category placement – NO EXCEPTIONS.
2. Your name, address and Poodle Variety MUST be on the Ad Copy Form for each ad submitted.
3. Put your name, address and Poodle Variety on the back of each and every photo submitted to insure proper return of your photographs.
4. Moss Bow rules for accepted computer media are on the back of this Ad Copy Form.
5. Moss Bow will only accept ads from the PCA Advertising Chair.





## MB-F Guidelines for Catalog Advertising

PLEASE NOTE: -We are the printer of the material you are sending us. Because we use PC related hardware and software, any electronic files submitted from a Mac must be saved using the 3-letter extension associated with each program (see COMPUTER File Formats below). Any converting of materials for our use will be the responsibility of the customer, not ours.

### III. REQUIREMENTS FOR MATERIAL SENT IN FOR REPRODUCTION

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- B. All submitted material on disk MUST BE accompanied by a printed copy along with the exact file name of the file to be used. This assures that the information submitted is correct (layout, copy, and any artwork including photos) as to what is to be expected in catalog reproduction. Note: Do not send images placed in a Word document as the only image to be used. Please send the original photograph or include a disk with the photo in one of the formats listed below.
- C. If the fonts that you choose to set your ad in are not available to us, the fonts WILL BE changed to the closest match available. DO NOT send us your fonts; we cannot accept outside fonts.
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- A. Accepted Media
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  - 2. Adobe® Photoshop® (for best results; sizes are after cropping)
    - a. color or grayscale TIFFs -filename.tif, 4 1/2" wide @ 200 dpi
    - b. black & white TIFFs -filename.tif, 4 1/2" wide @ 400 dpi
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    - d. black & white JPEGs -filename.jpg, 400 dpi @ minimum quality
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- C. E-mail Guidelines
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  - 2. Do not send files that are compressed using either .zip, .sit or other compression formats
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## — 2018 NATIONAL SPECIALTY SHOW — TROPHY FUND DONATIONS

The 2018 PCA National Specialty Show will soon be upon us and as you know, the PCA Trophy Fund is the sole resource which provides the financial support to make the award of trophies, medallions and cash prizes for our winners in all venues. Show your support for our Poodles and have your name listed in the official catalog. We are hoping our donations will reach a new high in 2018. Thank you for your continued generosity.

Please welcome the 2018 Trophy Committee Co-Chairs: Mildred Bartlett and Dianne Flanagan, and Trophy Committee Members: Marilyn and Larry Page, Terry Tate, and Audrey Kelly. For questions please contact Mildred Bartlett on email at [maestoso@essex1.com](mailto:maestoso@essex1.com) or Marilyn Page at 815-557-9008.

**In order to include your name as a donor in the 2018 Show Catalog,  
your donation must reach us no later than February 24, 2018.**

You can make a Trophy Fund Donation at the online store using your credit card at [www.poodleclubofamerica.org](http://www.poodleclubofamerica.org). Make sure to fill in the “remarks box” with the name and/or kennel name you want to appear in the catalog.

All donations are welcome so if you prefer to use a check, just complete the Donation Coupon on the reverse side and mail it with your check made payable to the Poodle Club of America, Inc. to:

**Marilyn Page, Trophy Committee Member  
1981 Navarone Drive, Naperville, IL 60565**

*Your generous support of the PCA National Specialty Show is sincerely appreciated.*

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*\*Min Donation for Patron is \$25*

General Fund \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Toy \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Miniature \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Standard \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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## — PCA RAFFLE —

PCA Raffle is less than three months away!! Our club's Raffle is the most spectacular I've ever seen and it's all because of YOU!! Your club and individual baskets are absolutely amazing! And the raffle is a lot of fun! Everyone loves looking at the state themed club baskets and the unique individual baskets.

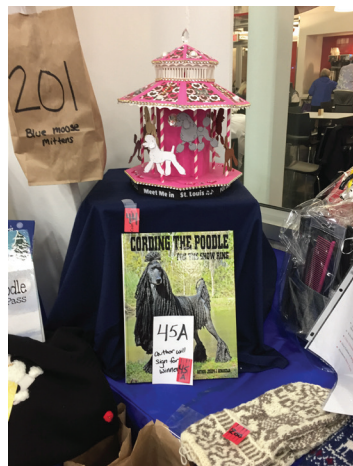
I'm excited to announce this year both the winning affiliate club basket and a winning individual basket will each receive \$100.00 - ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS!

Please bring your beautiful completed baskets with you - when you "Meet Me in St Louis!" Please put your club's name and the state you represent on a tag attached to your basket. In addition, everyone please put your name, email and cell phone on a tag and attach it somewhere else on the basket. (This will be helpful in many ways and is necessary in case I'm not there when you drop off your basket.)

We really need everyone's support and I sincerely appreciate each and everyone of you! I thank you all from the bottom of my heart for doing these baskets! The raffle is the only PCA fundraiser and through ticket sales we bring in around \$6,000.00!

If you have questions, ideas, thoughts, or you would like to assist at the Raffle Table - please email me at [dlimoges@flash.net](mailto:dlimoges@flash.net) "Debby DuBay" on FB. Thank you so very much!

*Debby DuBay*  
Raffle Chair







## — OBEDIENCE —



Anticipating another big entry, we will be having 4 judges in 2018. Our judges will be Rick Cox and Russ and Bonnie Hornfisher for obedience and PCA member Susie Osburn for Rally.

Rick Cox will be judging the Novice classes, Russ Hornfisher the Open classes and Bonnie Hornfisher will be doing the Utility classes. The non-regular classes will be assigned after closing and we have the entry counts.

Four rings and four judges will help the day run smoothly and efficiently. It will also mean that we will need even more volunteers to steward four rings! If you can help contact Chief Ring Seward Susan Giordano at [stdpudel@hotmail.com](mailto:stdpudel@hotmail.com).

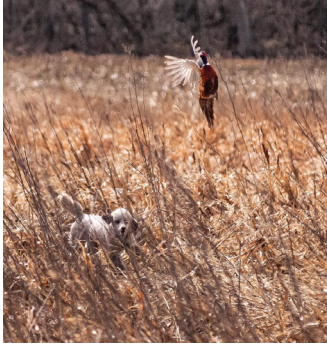
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## — WORKING POODLES —

### POODLE CLUB OF AMERICA'S UPLAND HUNTING PROGRAM 2018



The PCA Upland Hunting Program that started back in 2014 is growing by leaps and bounds! The program has given the breed another place to document the talent of the Poodle by giving the owners an opportunity to put upland hunting certificate documentation on their pedigrees of their breeding stock. In a short period of time with a very limited number of tests available, we are gaining on the 100 certificate mark, which with a new program is VERY good!

Planning is in the works for testing to be held in Missouri at the National, in Wisconsin by The Greater Milwaukee Poodle Club, and possibly a test in Colorado in 2018. Other areas of the country are also showing interest to hold an event. The program was a key factor in getting the breed allowed into the AKC Spaniel Flushing Dog Hunting tests. That step has been VERY successful!

To as of the beginning of December, the breed has a total of ELEVEN POODLES as AKC Spaniel Flushing Dogs. Of those, there are seven Junior Hunter Upland dogs, and five Senior Hunter Upland dogs, one dog holds both a JHU, and a SHU title. There is also a dog very close to a Master Hunter Upland title. This has all happened since the Inaugural test held in April of 2017 at the PCA National in Missouri, the first test the poodles were allowed to enter into. So that is a total of 7 months' time!

Considering it took a few YEARS to hit those numbers in the Retriever program just shows how the interest of Poodle owners in fieldwork has grown.

Many of these Poodles are hunting dogs used for upland hunting. A number of them hold Retriever hunt titles and certificates as well and easily turned on the natural ability the Poodle has for upland work, to produce a versatile hunting animal. The program is a great performance 'fit' for the breed to be sure!

The plans for the PCA National Upland and AKC Spaniel testing 2018 are as follows:

AKC Spaniel Hunt test, for Poodles ( Standard and Miniature) only will be held on Thursday, April 12th 2018. Junior Senior and Master stakes will be held, the test will be limited to 25 entries.

The Poodle Club of America National Upland Series will be held on Friday, April 13th, 2018. Upland Instinct, Upland Working Certificate, and Upland Working Certificate Excellent stakes will be held, these tests will be limited to 30 entries.

Our Judges will be Robert Deihl and Susan Saracino-Deihl. For both tests.

Both tests will be held at: **August A. Busch Conservation Area, 2360 Hwy D, St. Charles, MO 63304**

The entry Service [www.huntsecretary.com](http://www.huntsecretary.com) will be used for taking entries.

Hope to see you there!

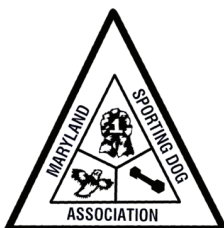
*Jaci Bowman*

PCA Upland Chair



## SPANIEL HUNT TEST

On Sunday, February 18th, 2018 MSDA is hosting a seminar, presented by the AKC, on the Spaniel Hunt Test program. The AKC Spaniel Hunt Test is a non-competitive performance event that is now open to seventeen different breeds. The AKC requires a minimum of 20 participants to be registered before the closing date. Although judges have to be certified every five years, this seminar is mostly for those new to the sport or for those who think they might be interested.



### AKC SPANIEL HUNT TEST SEMINAR

Presented by  
AKC Field Representative  
Tom Meyer



Hosted by  
The Maryland Sporting Dog Association

The American Kennel Club's Spaniel Hunt Test program is open to seventeen breeds of dogs (Airedale Terriers, American Water Spaniels, Boykin Spaniels, Chesapeake Bay Retrievers, Clumber Spaniels, Cocker Spaniels, Curly-Coated Retrievers, English Cocker Spaniels, English Springer Spaniels, Field Spaniels, Flat-Coated Retrievers, Golden Retrievers, Irish Water Spaniels, Labrador Retrievers, Sussex Spaniels, Poodles - Standard and Miniature, and Welsh Springer Spaniels). These breeds are used to find, flush, and retrieve upland game birds. The Spaniel Hunt Test program is designed to give owners of these breed an opportunity to train and evaluate their dogs against three levels of non-competitive performance.

The seminar is designed to review and explain the regulations and guidelines for the AKC Spaniel Hunt Test program. Seminar participants will improve their understanding of the performance requirements and standards as well as additional AKC policies. The program is presented using multimedia demonstrations, lecture and group discussions. Attendance at the seminar is recommended for anyone interested in learning about the program as well as newcomers already participating in the program. In addition, all AKC judges are required to attend once every five years to maintain active status.

**Sunday, February 18<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

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## RETRIEVING EVENTS REPORT - POODLES IN THE FIELD

*By Lin Gelbman and Carol Stone*



We have seen a marked increase in the numbers of poodles participating in field events over the past several years. 2017 brought us 22 new Working Certificate and 7 new Working Certificate Excellent titles thus far. What's more impressive is that many of these new titles are with owners/handlers that are new to the sport. In the past, most of our new titles were earned by experienced owners with their new dogs. This year brought us a host of new owners with new dogs in the field.

We are also seeing more local Poodle Clubs stepping up to the plate to offer the PCA WC/WCX tests in their areas. Though it does require time and effort, it is well worth it. We encourage each of you to approach your local Poodle club to get them to consider sponsoring an event. The more tests that are offered, the greater the chance of having more of our Poodles returning to what they were bred to do.

The Poodle is returning to its origins as a true hunting dog. They have been accepted into the hunting dog world and the hunt test world. The skill level required for the Master level dog is an impressive thing to watch and we are looking forward to the 2018 PCA national specialty. Once AKC made the decision to allow poodles to run Retriever Hunt Tests, PCA's first hunt test had only 1 Master entry. In 2017 the entry for Master was 13 and in the coming national specialty we are expecting 19 Master entries. This growth in the number of high level competitors far exceeds any of the other non-traditional hunting breeds such as Tollers, Irish Water Spaniels, American Water Spaniels, etc. and is a good indicator of the growing popularity of Poodles as they return to their traditional place in the field.

PCA's field chairs are continuing to evolve as we get familiar with our new site for the PCA National Specialty. The PCA AKC Retriever Hunt Test will be held on Saturday, April 14, 2018, and the WC/WCX will be held on Sunday, April 15, 2018, both at August A. Busch Memorial Conservation Area, 2360 Hwy D, St Charles, MO 63304. With this new site and the increasing numbers of participants, we will face new challenges. We have decided to add a second set of judges to make sure all tests get done in a reasonable amount of time and not have to limit entries. We will be seeking workers for the events. If you've volunteered to work before, we thank you and you know it can't be done without everyone pitching in. If you are new to the sport or have friends traveling with you, please consider volunteering to work and getting your friends to join in. Prior experience is not necessary as we can provide "on the job" training to anyone willing to pitch in. Jack Combs will be our Chief Marshal this year and can be contacted at: [jack.combs@gmail.com](mailto:jack.combs@gmail.com).





Judges for this year's event will be Carol Greenwald and Carol Reed for the MH and WCX; and Mike Evans and Luke McCoy for the JH/SH and WC. Most AKC tests run multiple stakes simultaneously on a regular basis and I think with creative scheduling and flexible participants we can do the same and make this a favorable situation for everyone, enabling us to get the tests done in time for everyone to get cleaned up for our Sunday evening dinner.

Also remember to start collecting your raffle items. The new site brings new expenses

-- we help to offset our expenses for the events through a raffle that we also use to support the PCA Foundation. If you would like to directly assist with offsetting the costs, you may designate a monetary donation, either through the PCA Trophy Committee and specify it is to be used for the Retriever Hunt events, or by mailing a contribution to: Carol Stone, 1598 Hawk Lane, Seymour, TN 37865. Checks should be made out to Poodle Club of America. All contributors must have donations in by February 24 to be recognized in the catalog but donations are always welcome at any time.

If you earned a PCA field medallion this year, please make sure to get your information in before the end of March so we can make sure you have a medallion at the Sunday evening performance dinner. Also, if you will be earning a medallion at PCA( or think you may), let us know and we can have one ready for you as well. Mail completed Medallion Applications to Carol Stone (address above).

We hope you will join us this year to participate in our retriever events at the national specialty. If you don't have a dog ready to compete, you can enter the instinct test to see if your dog has what it takes to begin field training, or just come out and cheer us on. Watching our talented and enthusiastic Poodles work in the field is an eye opening experience. It always proves to be fun and entertaining and the food can't be beat. Hope to see you there!



## — AGILITY NEWS —

### **2017 TOP AGILITY POODLE GOES TO SUMMER!**

From Agility Representative Debby Dubay

Cindy Glover and her amazing miniature poodle “Summer” did it again! Summer - jumping 12” - received the Top Agility Poodle Medallion in December at the 2017 AKC Agility Invitationals. This amazingly athletic dog - bred by breeders Suzanne Wesley and Suzi Cope - has been on the AKC podium six times in the last five years! She’s also been on the US Open, USDAA and Purina Pro Plan Incredible Dog podium multiple times!

This is Summer’s second time to win the prestigious Invitationals Top Agility Poodle Award - sponsored by PCA and presented by AKC during the awards ceremony. Summer’s mom Cindy Glover sent a letter of appreciation to PCA President and Board of Directors for their support:

“MACH 19 Summer, my 8 ½ year old Miniature Poodle, was the lucky recipient of this year’s Top Poodle Medallion at the AKC Agility Invitational in December, 2017. I just wanted to send you a note to let you know how much I appreciate the effort that the Poodle Club of America takes to recognize the top Poodles in agility. I realize that it takes additional time and additional expense to sponsor the Top Poodle Medallion and I want you to know that your efforts are not going unnoticed. There were several breeds that were not recognized at the Invitational this year and I find that very sad. Summer and I have worked very hard to be in a position to even get invited to the Invitational, as there are many very talented Poodles out there competing in agility across the U.S. To get an award from the Poodle Club of America, recognizing all our hard work, has been incredible, and both Summer and I send our sincere thanks.

PCA is a great organization – thank you for all the hard work that you do every year to promote good health and improvement in the breed. I currently own three Miniature Poodles and couldn’t love them anymore. It’s been such an honor to represent the breed at the AKC Agility Invitational. Hope to be there again in 2018.” Signed Cindy Glover.

Not only a spectacular agility competitor - Summer has several Dock Diving titles. Cindy says: “Summer lives up to her name! She loves living in Florida, swimming and dock diving all Summer long.”

PCA President Susan Burge attended the Agility Invitationals and says: “I’m very proud of the top five agility poodles - along with the number one preferred and five juniors - representing our breed in Orlando. All of these poodles are amazing athletes and their owners have worked extremely hard to get here. Congratulations to all of the teams. And congratulations to Cindy and Summer for receiving the PCA medallion!”



## — AFFILIATE CLUB NEWS —

### NORTHWEST SUN SHINES ON POODLE PALOOZA



Poodles, poodles, poodles! Some 100 people and 50 poodles of all sizes attended the second annual Poodle Palooza under clear skies in Ridgefield, Washington. Sponsored by the Columbia Poodle Club, the event was held August 27, 2017 at the home of Club members Paula and Bert Morgan.

Paula and Bert had their first Poodle party while living in southern Oregon, and it was such a success that the idea came with them when they moved north. “Poodle owners are so enthusiastic about their breed, it is a natural thing for them to love getting together with their Poodles,” Paula says. “We are just happy that we have the ability to facilitate such a rewarding event.”

Beyond celebrating our breed and offering a good time for all, the Palooza also dedicated its proceeds to support the National Animal Interest Alliance, Poodle Club of America Foundation health research, and the Columbia Poodle Club. The silent auction was a major fundraiser, and guests could sign up for a “mini-groom” by professional groomer Alex Lazaro, owner of Eva’s Doggery in Wilsonville, Oregon. Also donating her time was photographer Kara Walsh, who took portraits of guests and their dogs during the event.

Guests enjoyed a catered lunch, with tables shaded from the August sun by beautiful white tents. Poodles of all varieties had securely fenced fields on the five-acre property for free play and socialization, and they made the most of it! CPC member Elaine Rude organized a “Poodle Olympics” in which guests and their dogs competed for prizes. Later Janith Wright, the Club’s show chair, gave a demonstration of scent work with her senior Standard who is now retired from agility. With assistance from Club members and their show veteran Poodles, CPC President Jeff Nokes also gave a talk on conformation and judging. “I think the most wonderful thing about the day was that we had lots of purebred Poodles enjoying each other’s company and lots of owners enjoying each other, all in a non-competitive setting,” Jeff says. “There was a great sense of camaraderie.”

Many thanks to all who volunteered their time to make this a successful event and to all who donated items for the silent auction. You can learn more about NAIA, PCAF and CPC at [www.naiaonline.org](http://www.naiaonline.org), [www.poodleclubofamericafoundation.org](http://www.poodleclubofamericafoundation.org) and [www.columbiapoodleclub.com](http://www.columbiapoodleclub.com).

Of course, it should come as no surprise that plans are already underway for next year’s Poodle Palooza.

*Palooza Photos Courtesy of Photographer Kara Walsh*





## **THE SUNFLOWER CLUSTER**

### **APRIL 5, 6, 7, & 8 IN WICHITA, KS**

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## — PCA HEALTH FOUNDATION —

### **RESEARCH UPDATES AT CHF HEALTH CONFERENCE**

The bi-annual AKC CHF National Parent Club Canine Health Conference sponsored by Purina was held August 11-13, 2017 in St. Louis. Leading researchers from around the country brought their audience up to date on topics ranging from cancer to epilepsy to canine reproduction to emerging infections such as Bartonella. For example, one talk focused on recent research showing that organisms of the gut microbiome may have potential to influence neurological health via the vagus nerve gut-brain axis. You can see abstracts of all presentations on PCAF's website home page: [www.poodleclubofamericafoundation.org](http://www.poodleclubofamericafoundation.org).

### **CALLING TOY POODLES!**

The PCA Foundation has learned that funding is still available to create a genetic diversity profile for Toy Poodles as Dr. Niels Pedersen and his colleagues at UC Davis have already done for Minis and Standards in PCAF-sponsored projects. The researchers are seeking about 200 Toys, and diversity testing for this research is free. For more on the project and sample submission, contact Barbara Hoopes, PhD, a professor of biology at Colgate University, who is helping with the project: [bhoopes@colgate.edu](mailto:bhoopes@colgate.edu). And if you're on Facebook, you can join the Toy Poodle Genetic Diversity group set up for information and to help breeders understand their results.

### **BUSY FUNDING YEAR FOR PCAF**

With ongoing generosity of our donors, the PCA Foundation is pleased to provide new support for research aimed at helping our poodles live long healthy lives. In addition to other studies funded and under way, we awarded a total of \$155,874 during 2017 to support: University of Pennsylvania/OptiGen research to determine genetics of inherited eye disorders in Toy and Miniature Poodles. With PCAF support, this team has already identified the mutation causing Day Blindness/Retinal Degeneration in Standard Poodles, and OptiGen now offers a DNA screening test.

The AKC Canine Health Foundation Epilepsy Initiative, which supports studies of causes and treatment, including investigation of the gut microbiome's influence on neurological health.

University of Missouri research on the genetics of epilepsy. Past studies have come up empty in their search for genes involved, but novel new technology may allow researchers to identify multiple genes that raise the risk of seizures. Our PCAF grant extends this work to Poodles.

University of Minnesota research on the genetics of Addison's disease in Standard Poodles. PCAF has helped fund this important work from its beginning, and we are proud to continue our support.

*Pat Forsyth for the PCA Foundation*



## — PCA MEMBERSHIP NEWS —

Please contact Cathy Catelain, Corresponding Secretary, with any roster updates  
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Please join the Board of Governors in welcoming  
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## — POODLE PAPERS REMINDER —

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# RESEARCH OF ADDISON'S DISEASE IN STANDARD POODLES

FOCUSES ON GENETIC DIVERSITY &  
FINDING THE MUTATION



Shimmer Ring Standard Poodle breeder Valerie Wilmot of Euless, Texas, believes in breeding dogs that are beautiful and healthy. Her dedication to the breed spans more than 25 years so when she introduced a sire to her breeding program a few years ago that was later diagnosed with Addison's disease, she was crushed.

"I had never had a dog with Addison's disease," Wilmot says. "This was an incredible disappointment, plus it was a loss to me and my breeding program. It also was a loss to the breed, as he is a very nice dog."

Dogs are often middle age when Addison's disease is diagnosed. Thus, they may already have been

bred and played a role in proliferating the incidence rate.

The 2-year-old male dog was a stunning show champion that had passed the breed's health tests. Wilmot had great expectations for breeding him again, but those fell apart shortly after the first litter was born and the sire was diagnosed with Addison's disease.

Lethargy and loss of appetite were the first signs Wilmot noticed indicating that something could be wrong with the male Standard Poodle. "I told the veterinarian he just wasn't himself," she says.

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Shimmer Ring Standard Poodle breeder Valerie Wilmot

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A blood test showed the dog's electrolytes were not normal. Suspecting Addison's disease, the veterinarian ran an ACTH (adrenocorticotrophic hormone) stimulation test to check the dog's level of cortisol, a hormone that helps the body adapt physiologically to stress. During an ACTH test, a normal dog responds with an elevation in its cortisol level, but a dog with Addison's disease is not able to output enough cortisol for a normal response. The test confirmed the disease in Wilmot's dog.

Fortunately, the Standard Poodle responded well to treatment with medications. Understanding the risk of breeding an affected male, Wilmot had the handsome male neutered. Like many other breeders, she was frustrated that she had bred

the dog without knowing he had Addison's disease. Her good intentions to breed a healthy litter backfired due to no fault on her part.

"With Addison's disease, responsible breeders can inadvertently contribute to producing affected dogs and carriers," Wilmot says.

## 'THE GREAT PRETENDER'

Also known as primary hypoadrenocorticism, Addison's disease is an immune-mediated disease in which the body attacks the outer layer of adrenal glands, or small organs near the kidneys, causing a deficiency in the essential steroid hormones cortisol and aldosterone. Cortisol, a glucocorticoid, helps the body deal with stress via an inflammatory response linked to the immune system. Aldosterone, a mineralocorticoid, helps regulate water and electrolyte levels by maintaining the body's balance of sodium and potassium.

Addison's disease is sometimes called "The Great Pretender" because it mimics conditions such as inflammatory bowel disease, liver disease and acute kidney failure. The disease destroys the adrenal cortex, or outer layer of adrenal glands, and subsequently the body's ability to produce these key hormones. Fortunately, therapy to replace the hormones the body can no longer produce usually results in successful disease management.

"Addison's disease is very treatable," says Steven G. Friedenberg, DVM, PhD, DACVECC, assistant professor in the Department of Veterinary Clinical Sciences at the University of Minnesota. "Because dogs will require lifelong medications and monitoring, it's important to develop a good relationship with a veterinarian you trust who is comfortable treating the disease."

Treatment typically consists of monthly injections, either Percorten®-V or Zycortal®, given by the veterinarian to replace the mineralocorticoid, aldosterone, plus daily doses of prednisone to replace the steroid cortisol. Some owners opt to give

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## STANDARD POODLE OWNERS CAN HELP ADVANCE RESEARCH OF ADDISON'S DISEASE

Researchers at the University of Minnesota College of Veterinary Medicine are seeking blood samples from Standard Poodles for their study of Addison's disease. The goal is to identify a gene mutation so that a genetic test can be developed to help reduce disease incidence.

To participate in the study, which is funded in part by the Poodle Club of America Foundation, Standard Poodles of any age with Addison's disease are eligible, as well as Standards over age 10 that do not have Addison's. Shipment of blood samples for eligible dogs is covered by the study.

To learn more about this study, please contact [Dr. Steven Friedenberg](#) or visit the University of Minnesota College of Veterinary Medicine [website](#).





their dogs a daily pill, Florinef,<sup>®</sup> rather than the monthly injections. The best treatment for an individual dog can vary. For example, dogs with atypical Addison's disease, in which only part of the adrenal cortex is affected, may do well with prednisone and not need the additional medications.

The disease is not unique to Standard Poodles. [Other breeds having a high heritability](#) are Bearded Collie, Nova Scotia Duck Tolling Retriever, and Portuguese Water Dog. As with dogs, people develop Addison's disease when their adrenal glands are damaged, thus triggering insufficient amounts of cortisol and aldosterone.

Due to the prevalence of the condition in Standard Poodles, the Poodle Club of America Foundation (PCAF) is supporting two grants aimed at learning more about Addison's disease. Both are in the second phase of earlier research that also was supported by PCAF.

A study underway at the University of California-Davis is investigating genetic diversity in Standard Poodles and its impact on autoimmune diseases such as Addison's disease. Meanwhile, at the University of Minnesota, researchers aim to better understand what triggers Addison's disease in Standard Poodles, with a goal of identifying the gene mutation and developing a genetic test to identify affected dogs and carriers to aid breeding programs.

## A COMPLEX INHERITANCE

Wilmot is excited to have contributed a DNA sample of blood from her affected dog to the University of Minnesota study. Lead investigator Dr. Friedenberg encourages owners of affected dogs and those with normal dogs over age 10 that qualify for the study to participate. (See page 3 for more information about participating.)

"Addison's is a complex inherited disease," says Dr. Friedenberg. "It is highly likely to involve both genetic and environmental factors. For now, we are focusing on genetics. We want

to better understand the genetic variants or mutations that trigger the disease as we work to develop a genetic test to help decrease the disease incidence."

An earlier study led by Dr. Friedenberg was the first published genome-wide association study looking for polymorphisms associated with Addison's disease in Standard Poodles. The research, published in [Mammalian Genome](#) in February 2017, involved phenotyping 133 Standard Poodles, including 61 affected dogs and 72 unaffected ones. No genetic markers were found, so next they sequenced the entire genomes of 20 Standard

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## SIGNS OF ADDISON'S DISEASE

- Lethargy
  - Vomiting
  - Diarrhea
  - Finicky appetite
  - State of shock
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Poodles, a group consisting of 13 affected dogs and seven unaffected ones, to identify common variants across affected dogs and variants segregating within a single pedigree of highly affected dogs.

"We hypothesized that a combination of a genome-wide association study and whole-genome sequencing study would allow us to identify specific causative variants that lead to the development of Addison's in Standard Poodles," explains Dr. Friedenberg. "However, we were unable to pinpoint any specific causative variants based on our current understanding of the way genes function."

Going into the study, the researchers believed that Addison's disease in Standard Poodles was due to an autosomal recessive inheritance pattern, meaning both the sire and dam must carry the gene mutation to produce an affected dog.

"Because we could not identify a genetic marker, this suggests

that Addison's disease may have a complex inheritance pattern or be relatively fixed within Standard Poodles, or there could be some combination of the two," Dr. Friedenberg says. "However, we identified several candidate genes that may be fixed in Standards and in a small population of related breeds, which could contribute to the disease."

Citing a study published in May 2015 in [Canine Genetics and Epidemiology](#), Dr. Friedenberg says the effects of genetic bottlenecks are believed to have contributed to high inbreeding in Standards and the development of Addison's disease. "This work is consistent with our findings," he says. "Based on this group's analysis of relatedness and heterozygosity among inbred dogs, they concluded that some of the genes responsible for Addison's may be fixed within the breed. This would support our inability to detect a single causative marker in our study of 133 dogs."

As Dr. Friedenberg and his team continue to study the genetic causes of the disease in Standard Poodles, they are planning to genotype a larger population of dogs. "We also may use a cross-breed approach to help identify disease-associated markers or causative polymorphisms," he says. "There is much to learn about the genetics of this disease."

## GENETIC DIVERSITY ROLE

Research of genetic diversity — including the 2015 study cited by Dr. Friedenberg — and how it contributes to Addison's disease is ongoing. Niels C. Pedersen, DVM, PhD, distinguished professor emeritus at the University of California-Davis School of Veterinary Medicine, leads the effort to understand how genetic bottlenecks and inbreeding have contributed to the incidence of the autoimmune diseases sebaceous adenitis and Addison's disease in Standard Poodles.

"Our hypothesis is that these diseases increased rapidly around the mid-20th century," Dr. Pedersen says. "We believe extensive inbreed-

ing started with a small group of founders that produced widely used show-winning offspring. This artificial midcentury bottleneck created a severe breed-wide genetic imbalance with two-thirds of the most popular inbred dogs possessing only one-third of available breed-wide genetic diversity. This has prompted breeders to make a conscientious effort to select parents that will produce the most genetically diverse puppies.”

Sebaceous adenitis, an inherited skin disease in which the sebaceous glands become inflamed and can cause hair loss, and Addison’s disease are believed to have cropped up in the breed due to the extensive inbreeding at that time. Meanwhile, genetic outliers remained relatively disease-free. As breeders selected for the desired phenotypic traits of the Standard Poodles, this led to intense inbreeding and the inadvertent amplification of these disease-associated traits.

The search to learn how much diversity still exists in the breed was the crux of the work published in 2015 in *Canine Genetics and Epidemiology*. The study included 761 dogs — Standard Poodles, Miniature Poodles and Miniature/Standard crosses — from the U.S., Canada, and Europe. Miniature Poodles, which are considered genetically distinct and relatively free of these diseases, are sometimes used as outcrosses to try and eliminate the disease traits.

“We determined that most of the Standards in the world are genetically similar, with essentially 70 percent of the genetic diversity in the breed existing in just 30 percent of dogs,” explains Dr. Pederson. “They have a great deal of genetic diversity compared to other breeds of dog, but this genetic diversity is imbalanced.”

The goal is to learn how genetic diversity relates to health and to create an opportunity for breeders who want to maximize diversity to breed healthy dogs. Potentially,

breeders may be able to compare genetic profiles of possible mates to find out whether a low coefficient of inbreeding reflects relatedness of the two dogs.

Dr. Pederson is optimistic that it may be possible to redistribute the genetic diversity in Standard Poodles by carefully choosing breeding partners based on genetic testing over a number of generations. “This undertaking should reduce the incidence of deleterious simple recessive traits as well as complex genetic disorders such as these autoimmune diseases,” he says. “The emphasis of mate selection should be on maximizing genetic differences by augmenting information from pedigrees and genetic tests that accurately measure diversity across the genome.”

Reflecting on her litter sired by her male with Addison’s disease, Wilmot says, “This disease can happen to anyone. The more I’ve talked to other breeders, the more I’ve realized this. I don’t believe we should just shrug our shoulders. I feel like part of being a responsible breeder is trying to find answers to these problems by supporting the research.”

“Fortunately, most dogs go on to lead full, healthy lives,” Dr. Friedenberg says. “It seems the signs of Addison’s disease often are associated with stress. If owners notice a link between stress and these signs, they should talk to their veterinarian.”

Considering the prevalence of the disease, Dr. Pederson says, “The risk factors for Addison’s disease appear fixed in all Standard Poodles. Some breedings will produce a little higher risk and some a little lower risk, but no breeding will guarantee puppies without a risk of developing Addison’s.” ■

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