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Secretary's Report - Sept 2016



Once again we held very successful back to back Boosters at the Kilbride & District Kennel Club shows in Caledonia on 6th and 7th August 2016. A report on the Boosters together with the results is included in this newsletter. We held the AGM on Saturday and as we did not have a quorum for the AGM there are no official minutes. The unofficial Minutes and reports are included at the end of this Secretary's report for information.

We gained a new member at the show. Please welcome Pam Secula to our Club. Pam has 3 dogs, a Shih Tzu and two Pomeranians.

A sympathy card was sent to Kevin and Doug Urquhart on the loss of Kevin's mother on the 5th of August. I saw both of them at Long Sault this weekend. They are doing reasonably well (good and bad days) and thanked the Club for thinking of them. I sent Thomas Curley a fruit and chocolate basket and we received a Thank You email. He really appreciated the thought. A \$100.00 US donation was sent to Dr. Jean Dodds at Hemopet. Within half an hour of making the payment through PayPal I received the following "THANK YOU so much for your support and caring! We will never give up! Warmest regards, Jean ". The services Dr. Jean and Hemopet provide are irreplaceable.

We have another club event planned for this year. The PCOO is holding a **Booster** in conjunction with the **Caledon Kennel Association** on **Saturday, 26 November 2016**. The judge will be David Kirkland of Sandford, NC. who is a Cavalier breeder. Please mark your calendar and let all your Pom friends know about the show. All cash donations to the Booster trophy funds will be greatly appreciated. Larry and I will not be able to attend but Lynda Woolley will be the on-site liaison.

Regards

Christine Surtees, Secretary

2016 AGM - MINUTES OF MEETING - 6 August 2016

Attendees: Annelies Davis (Director), Walter McCarthy, Laverne McCarthy, Larry Surtees (members), Lynda Woolley (President), Christine Surtees (Secretary) and guests - Sandra Beisel (PCPC ONT Director) and Pam Secula.

As there was no quorum these are unofficially notes of our discussions.

Meeting called to order at 11.10 a.m.

Minutes of the 2015 AGM, the President's, Treasurer's and Secretary's reports were tabled for review and discussion.

New Business - 2017 Specialty.

We have to hold a Specialty in 2017 and we discussed potential venues. Christine presented a list of shows from 12 Aug thru 13 Nov time frame showing which were indoors and which were outdoors for consideration. People wanted to see shows earlier in the year to mid Aug.

AI.1 Christine is to prepare a list of shows and forward to the membership for consideration.

Members requested that the Club send a fruit basket and card to Thomas Curley who is recovering from major surgery and a card to Kevin Urquhart who just lost his mother

AI.2 Christine to arrange

Walter requested an electronic copy of the newsletter be made available to puppy buyers.

AI.3 Christine to send an electronic copy of latest newsletter to PCOO member's puppy buyers on request from the Breeder who is to provide the contact info to the Secretary.

Meeting adjourned at 12.10 p.m.

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PCOO 2015 AGM
Minutes of Meeting
8 August 2015

Attendees: Christine Surtees, Larry Surtees, Lynda Woolley, Walter McCarthy, Laverne McCarthy, Judy Maltby, Tamara Follett, and guest Sandra Beisel.

As there was no quorum these are unofficially notes of our discussions.

Meeting started at 3.00 p.m.

The consensus was to hold a Specialty at Kilbride in 2016.

AI.1 Christine to arrange with Kilbride.

AI.2 Christine to email Sue Betts to see if the PCOC wants to hold back to back specialties.

Sandra did not know if PCOC was holding a specialty this year but they are having a booster at the Caledon show in Nov.

Members would like larger rosettes for the major wins.

AI.3 Christine to get info from Vicky re pricing.

See if the show photographer is willing to give discount coupons for the specialty photos.

AI.4 Talk to Garth if he is going to be the photographer. Dean Dennis usually will give discount.

AI.5 Do something with the CB&Ls

Meeting ended at 4.00 p.m.

Reports
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - 6 August 2016



PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Hello again PCOO members, unbelievably another year has passed and here we are at the Back to Back Boosters again I am very happy to see that we have a reasonable entry of 10-11 Poms. I think that is spread between two members of the club and two supporting non-members.

Unlike other years, we are having another Booster in November at the Caledon Kennel Association dog show being held at the International Center located near the Airport in Toronto. If we are lucky, the weather will be the same as last year and it will be easy for people to attend. It is a huge show, lots of vendors and different events, media coverage (T.V., Radio etc.) and Junior handling competitions. It is one of the best shows of the year and I hope that we will be able to at least match the entries that we have for this show.

Lynda Woolley
President

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Total Membership - 20

6 Singles
6 Couples
1 Life (2)



We have one new member since the last report - Vince Arsenault.

The following people chose not to renew their memberships: Tamara Follett and Louise Guyton. Unfortunately we also lost long time member Frank Hueston who passed away in September 2015. A card and flowers were sent to Marie and family. We also sent flowers to Judy Maltby whose father died in October.

There were no committees - other than the show committee - convened and there have been no board meetings since the last AGM.

At the 2015 AGM it was decided to ask the PCOC if they would like to hold back to back Specialties with us in 2016. We chose the Kilbride Club in Caledonia as it was centrally located for those people currently showing dogs and we liked the site, host club and judges. The PCOC declined as they thought the potential entry would be very small based on the 2 or 3 dogs being shown at that time. PCOO decided to hold back to back Boosters again in Caledonia. We have a nice entry (darn, we should have done a Specialty!) and the Club truly appreciates the continued support of the core exhibitors who join us each year.

PCOO has to hold a Specialty in 2017 otherwise we will lose our show giving status. If we let that happen and want to hold show events in the future it could take as long as 2 years to get our show giving status reinstated and we would have to hold 3 sanction matches to qualify.

I would like to suggest Kilbride or Oakville for potential host shows for 2017. Oakville hopes to be at the International Centre again with Pet Expo if all goes well for them this year and it is an indoor air conditioned show. With the increasingly hot and humid summers we are having that could be an important factor. Other suggestions for venues are welcome.

Christine Surtees
Secretary



TREASURER'S REPORT

AS OF JULY 24, 2016

BALANCE AS OF MAY 11, 2016 - - - \$4,529.17

REVENUE

Donation	\$50.00	
Raffle tickets	20.00	(outstanding deposit)
Total Revenue	\$70.00	

EXPENSES

Newsletter	\$41.92
Postage	24.41
Total Expenses	\$66.33

BALANCE AS OF JULY 24, 2016 - - - - \$4,532.84

PLEASE NOTE: I have not included bank charges. However, I did include a cheque that I have - that has not been deposited as yet -the outstanding deposit has been shown as a raffle ticket donation.

Roberta Malott,
Treasurer

2016 BOOSTER REPORT AND RESULTS

For the 2nd year in a row we held two back to back Boosters at the Kilbride & District Kennel shows (6th and 7th August) instead of a Speciality. We had a good entry of 10 dogs plus 2 baby puppies on Saturday and 11 dogs plus 2 baby puppies on Sunday. We started the weekend off with a Friday night Hamburger/Hot Dog dinner. Thank you to our two Sammy exhibitors who join us for dinner (our friends Susan and Donna Coulson) for the donation of a Black Forest Cake to the festivities.

Saturday the Pomeranians were in the ring at 8.30 a.m. with Judge Joyce Love. It was still relatively cool at that time of day and the Poms were in good form. Lynda Woolley showed CH. Pomywoods Praire Pandora to Best of Breed and a Group 4. Congratulations Lynda and Panda. We did an armband draw at ringside which was won by LaVerne McCarthy.

As it was a very hot day we decided to hold the AGM at 11 a.m. to avoid the hottest part of the day. We actually had 3 Board members present as Annelies Davis was able to come to the shows and attend the AGM. The reports tabled at the AGM are included in this newsletter as part of the Secretary's report as are the notes from the meeting. Following the meeting Lynda (Woolley) set off to sell raffle tickets. It was a very hot day to be walking round a show site talking hot, tired people into supporting the PCOO by buying tickets and Lynda did an excellent job. She raised \$148.50 selling tickets on Saturday at the show. We had \$50.00 of cheques from members for tickets so the grand total raised on the raffle was \$198.50. A pretty good take for a raffle decided at the last minute. Thank you Lynda for your hard work.

There were just 6 people for dinner Saturday night so we had a small but fun gathering. We had door prizes for everyone thanks to a generous donation from Sandra Beisel of 2 baskets and 2 bags of goodies and a gift bag donated by LaVerne McCarthy. Every dog entered got a toy made and donated by Roberta Malott. Thank you Roberta, Love those toys! We had Sandra pull the ticket for the raffle which was won by Susan Coulson. We were able to deliver the item to Susan Saturday evening as she was parked just across the road from our motorhome. Thank you to everyone who supported this raffle.

Sunday our Judge was Mr. Luis Pinto Teixeira. He was very gentle with the dogs and went over each one with a fine tooth comb. He is from Portugal where judging is done with judges providing critics. He spoke with each exhibitor and gave each one some feedback on their dog. His final line up was quite different to Saturday's ring and Best of Breed was awarded to GCH Tinyprints Watch Me Win, Breeder/Owner/Handler, Kimberly Dellow. Congratulations Kim. Again, we did a ringside armband draw and the winner was LaVerne - this is the lady who says she never wins anything!

Annelies Davis (Director, Central) came to the shows both days with a friend who just added one of Annelies's dogs to her four legged family, a 5 year old chocolate named Mia. Her mum Pam is the newest member of our club. Welcome aboard Pam and kids! (See the Candid's for a photo of Pam and Mia).

Many thanks to Larry Surtees, Cassandra Robak and Sandra Beisel for the candid shots.

The full catalogue info and results follow:

POMERANIAN RESULTS

12-18 Month Dog

166 WINTERHAVEN'S GIFT AT CHARIS, Male, CN616572, 18-Jul-15

*11 Breeder: Sandra Beisel, Sire: Gch Jenuwane Im Sexy And I Know It, Dam: Winterhaven Extraordinar, Canada, Owner: Barbara Adrian, 473 Waite Rd., Pontypool, On, L0A 1K0

WINNERS DOG

SAT 166

SUN 166

Junior Puppy Bitch

157 POMYWOODS PRETTY PERFECTION, Female, DA638222, 15-Jan-16

*11 Breeder: Lynda Woolley, Sire: Ch Daystar Not The Boss Of Me, Dam: Ch Pomywoods Prairie Pandora, Canada, Owner: Sandra Beisel, 7240 Second Line, R.R.#3, Arthur, On, N0G 1A0

168 SON SHINES SUGAR PLUM, Female, CY634050, 19-Dec-15

2 Breeder: Walter Mccarthy, Sire: Ch Dru'S Proud As Heck, Dam: Ch Son Shine Dun Deal Sheza Gem, Canada, Owner: Walter Mccarthy, 72231 Ausable Line, R.R. #2, Hensall, On, N0M 1X0

169 SON SHINES CAN UC MY HALO, Female, CW634045, 18-Nov-15

*.2 Breeder: Lavern Mccarthy, Sire: Gch Son Shine'S Kiote Shadow, Dam: Son Shine'S Cuddles Fiefie, Canada, Owner: Lavern Mccarthy, 72231 Ausable Line, R.R. #2, Hensall, On, N0M 1X0

Senior Puppy Bitch

572 POMYWOODS WITCHES BREW, Female, CU638219, 11-Oct-15

.1* Breeder: Lynda Woolley, Sire: Kristari'S Coz'N Chaos, Dam: Pomywoods Shady Lady, Canada, Owner: Lynda Woolley, 15316 Mount Wolfe Rd., Caledon, On, L7E 3N7

12-18 Month Bitch

170 SON SHINE'S BUTTONS N BOWS, Female, CJ603284, 9-May-15

.1* Breeder: Walter Mccarthy, Sire: Gch Pomywoods Pretty Boy Floyd, Dam: Ch Son Shine Dun Deal Sheza Gem, Canada, Owner: Walter Mccarthy, 72231 Ausable Line, R.R. #2, Hensall, On, N0M 1X0

Open Bitch

366 KRISTARI'S EASY DOES IT, Female, CN627898, 20-Jul-15

.1 mts Breeder: Christine Warden, Sire: Ch Kristari'S One And Only, Dam: Kristari'S Valentina, Canada, Owner: Christine Warden, 15745 Centreville Creek Rd., Caledon, On, L7C 3C4

WINNERS BITCH

SAT 366

SUN

RESERVE WINNERS BITCH

SAT 168

SUN 169

Balance of results following photos

CH. POMYWOODS PRAIRIE PANDORA



**B.O.B and GROUP 4 (picture not available) under Judge Joyce Love
at the Kilbride & District Kennel Club Pomeranian Booster
6th August 2016**

I am very proud of my girl for this win, it was her first time back in the ring for over a year after producing Ch. Pomywoods Pretty Perfection who became a Champion at the same show at only six months of age.....way to go my girl!

Pomywood Reg'd Pomeranians

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BOOSTER CANDIDS - 6 and 7 AUGUST 2016



BOOSTER CANDIDS



WINTERHAVEN R IMPRESSIVE BARON

Baron, our baby puppy, keeps me in suspense wondering if he will walk, play, jump or indeed behave in the ring but as you can see we are back home enjoying his several BEST BABY PUPPY IN GROUP WINS and BEST BABY PUPPY IN SHOW WIN. I am very grateful to the gentle, caring Judges who can see this little guy's potential.



I would also like to take this opportunity to really say a big THANK YOU to Larry & Christine for all their work, beautiful show win gifts, supper, and still find the time to help me at ringside with my four entries.



Not to be forgotten, my husband Ross for his support & help in getting me to the shows, and for holding onto dogs, changing numbers and keeping us in the ring on time under all our confusion. Laverne did a wonderful job grooming my Poms and kept me laughing and enjoying the show. Walter, I Thank you too for getting my "stuff" to ring side and back to the trailer also for showing my dogs when we need that extra entry in the ring.

We really had a good time with such great company.

Good to see everyone and looking forward to seeing everyone again!

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Sandra Beiel at info@winterhaven.ca

Pomywoods Pretty Perfection

Breeder: Lynda Woolley/Owner: Sandra Beisel



We are delight to add this pretty girl with beautiful movement into our breeding program. POMYWOOD PRETTY PERFECTION by CH. DAYSTAR NOT THE BOSS OF ME x CH. POMYWOOD PARIRIE PANDORA, We Thank her proud Breeder Lynda Woolley. As a Junior Puppy at just 6 months she has never been out before and is already finished with her Canadian Champion title. My Thanks to Respected Judge Mrs. A Gaudin for her BEST PUPPY IN GROUP and our Thanks to Respected Judge Luis Pinto Teixeira for BEST OF WINNERS, BEST PUPPY IN BREED and title of NEW CHAMPION.

CH. Pomhaven's Shogun Warrior - Breeder: Colleen Beland/Owner: Sandra Beisel



It was fun to bring out our CHAMPION SHOGUN WARRIOR by GCH SUNTERRA STARSTRUCK x CH POMHAVEN'S DREAM OF THE ORIENT. Shogun managed to pick up some points towards his Grand Championship and Thank Breeder Colleen Beland for parting with him and our Thanks to Respected Judge Joyce Love for his win of BEST OF OPPOSITE

Winterhaven Kennels

Pomeranians of Distinction

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WINTERHAVEN'S GIFT AT CHARIS



**CH. JENUWANE IM SEXY
AND I KNOW IT x
WINTERHAVEN
EXTRAORDINAR.**

This little guy, although out of coat, was out for some fun and experience.

We would like to Thank owner Barbara Adrian for entering him and our Thank You to Respected Judge Joyce Love and Judge Luis Pinto Teixeira for his wins of WINNERS DOG.



Breeder Sandra Beisel/Owner Barbara Adrain

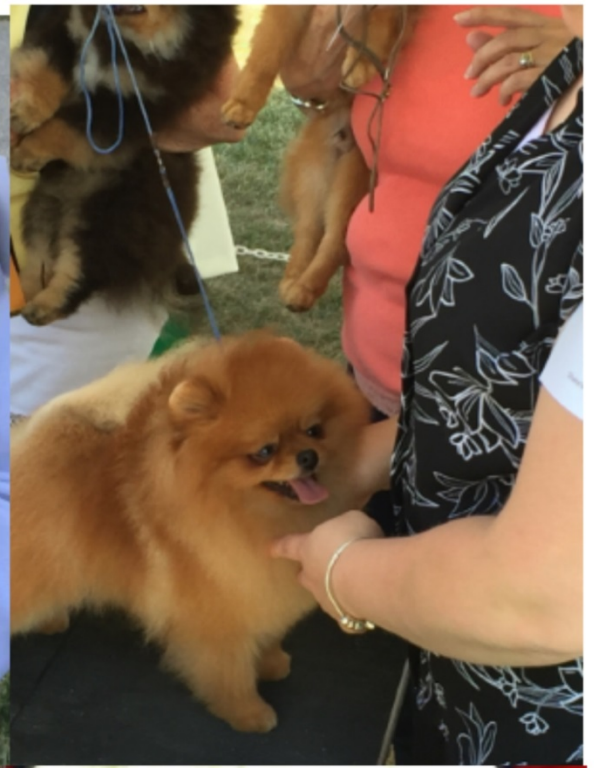
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..... continued POMERANIAN RESULTS

Specials Only

- 158 CH POMHAVEN'S SHOGUN WARRIOR, Male, BJ560127, 5-May-14
 *** Breeder: Colleen Beland, Sire: Gch Sunterra Starstruck, Dam: Ch Pomhaven'S Dream Of The Orient, Canada, Owner: Sandra Beisel, 7240 Second Line, R.R.#3, Arthur, On, NOG 1A0
- 171 GCH SON SHINE'S KIOTE SHADOW, Male, BW584175, 25-Nov-14
 .** Breeder: Laverne Mccarthy, Sire: Gch Pomywoods Pretty Boy Floyd, Dam: Son Shine'S Chancy'S Shadow, Canada, Owner: Laverne Mccarthy, 72231 Ausable Line, R.R. #2, Hensall, On, NOM 1X0
- 365 CH KRISTARI'S WICKED DREAMS, Male, BU584923, 4-Oct-14
 .** Breeder: Christine Warden, Sire: Kristari'S Coz'N Chaos, Dam: Ch Kristari'S In Your Dreams, Canada, Owner: Christine Warden, 15745 Centreville Creek Rd., Caledon, On, L7C 3C4
- 375 GCH TINYPRINTS WATCH ME WIN, Male, AN521197, 15-Jul-13
 ..* Breeder: Kimberly Dellow, Sire: Gch Jenuwane Im Sexy And I Know It, Dam: Ch Lilangelz Lady Leah, Canada, Owner: Kimberly Dellow, Rr#4 , 6398, 5Th Line, Fergus, On, N1M2W5
- 571 CH POMYWOODS PRAIRIE PANDORA, Female, BU597089, 24-Oct-14
 .** Breeder: Lynda Woolley, Sire: Gch Cheyennes Prairie Thunder, Dam: Pomywoods Blissfull Reign, Canada, Owner: Lynda Woolley, 15316 Mount Wolfe Rd., Caledon, On, L7E 3N7

BEST OF BREED	SAT	571 and GROUP 4	SUN	375
BEST OF OPPOSITE	SAT	158	SUN	366
BEST PUPPY	SAT	157	SUN	157
BEST OF WINNERS	SAT	366	SUN	157
SELECT DOG	SAT	365	SUN	365

3-6 Month Dog

- 156 WINTERHAVEN R IMPRESSIVE BARON, Male, DC641831, 19-Feb-16
 *** Breeder: Sandra Beisel, Sire: Ch Pinecrest Back From The Brink, Dam: Ch Dru'S Dream Sensation, Canada, Owner: Sandra Beisel, 7240 Second Line, R.R.#3, Arthur, On, NOG 1A0
- 316 SON SHINE MOJO DUNNIT, Male, DG652161, 9-Apr-16
 .11 Breeder: Laverne Mccarthy, Sire: Gch Son Shine'S Kiote Shadow, Dam: Ch Sonshines Twilight Nobel Meeko, Canada, Owner: Laverne Mccarthy, 72231 Ausable Line, R.R. #2, Hensall, On, NOM 1X0

BEST BABY PUPPY	SAT	316	SUN	316
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TRACHEAL COLLAPSE:

If Your Dog is Coughing or Gagging, This Could Be Why

By Dr. Becker (Mercola) May 21, 2012

Tracheal collapse is a chronic, progressive disease involving the windpipe, or trachea.

The trachea is somewhat like a vacuum cleaner hose that contains small rings, in this case cartilage that keeps the airways open.

The rings are C-shaped, with the open part of the "C" facing upward.

Running along the top opening of the C-rings is a band of tissue called the dorsal membrane.

How the Trachea Collapses

In certain dogs, the rings of cartilage are either not formed correctly at birth, or they weaken and begin to change from a C-shape to more of a U-shape.

As the dorsal membrane stretches, the cartilage rings get progressively flatter until eventually the trachea just collapses, leaving the dog trying to pull air through what is essentially a closed straw.

Tracheal collapse can be congenital, which means it's present from birth, or it can be acquired. When the condition is congenital, it appears to be a result of a deficiency in certain components of the cartilage rings, like calcium, chondroitin, glycoproteins and glycosaminoglycans.

Acquired tracheal collapse is often caused by chronic respiratory disease, Cushing's disease and heart disease. Collapse of the trachea in the neck occurs when the dog breathes in. Collapse of the trachea in the chest occurs when the dog breathes out. The collapse can involve the bronchi that feed air to the lungs, which results in serious airway obstruction in the dog.

Symptoms

Tracheal collapse is most common in small breed dogs like the Chihuahua, Lhasa Apso, Maltese, Pomeranian, Pug, Shih Tzu, Toy Poodle and the Yorkie.

One of the first signs of tracheal collapse can be a sudden attack of dry coughing that sounds a little bit like a goose honk. It progresses from the goose honk sound to a more consistent cough and often occurs when there's pressure placed on the dog's trachea. This can happen when the dog is picked up or if the collar is pulled.

As the disease progresses, the dog can develop exercise intolerance, obvious respiratory distress, and gagging while eating or drinking.

Some dogs with tracheal collapse can turn blue when they are excited or stressed. Certainly, secondary heart disease can result from the consistent straining to breathe.

Some dogs have both laryngeal paralysis and tracheal collapse. These dogs usually make a wheezing sound when they breathe in.

Diagnosis of Tracheal Collapse

Tracheal collapse can sometimes be seen on a regular X-ray as a narrowing of the tracheal lumen, or opening.

Fluoroscopy, which is a moving X-ray, allows the vet to visualize the dog's trachea as he breathes in and out.

An endoscopy allows a view of the inside of trachea with a tiny camera. It really provides the best way of viewing the inside of the airway. During this time, the veterinarian can also take samples of the trachea for culture and sensitivity tests or additional analysis.

Sometimes an echocardiogram is recommended to evaluate heart function.

Any disease of the upper or lower airway can be mistaken for tracheal collapse, including a foreign object in the airway, laryngeal paralysis, an elongated soft palate, infection of the trachea, lungs, or heart failure, as well as tumors or polyps. So it's

pretty important that you get a definitive diagnosis and not just a guess.

Treatment Options

Conventional medical management of mild to moderate cases of tracheal collapse involve the use of cough suppressants, antispasmodics, bronchodilators, and sedatives to help reduce coughing spasms and the associated anxiety.

It's important to break the coughing cycle, because coughing irritates the airway and leads to more coughing.

If infection is present, of course, that has to be addressed as well. And certainly if the dog is overweight, it's really important that he lose weight.

I also recommend you evaluate your dog's environment. It should be smoke-free and free of other environmental pollutants.

Any dog with a collapsing trachea should be walked using a harness only. I absolutely do not recommend anything around the neck, as reducing all pressure at the throat is really important for these dogs.

Medical management works for about 70 percent of dogs with the mild form of this condition. Holistic

veterinarians usually recommend cartilage builders to help maintain the integrity of the tracheal cartilage.

These supplements can include glucosamine, chondroitin, MSM, eggshell membrane, and CMO, which is also called cetyl myristoleate. Sometimes, chiropractic and acupuncture have also been demonstrated to reduce the intensity of the duration of coughing episodes.

In more severe cases or for dogs who don't respond to medical management, sometimes surgery is recommended. If the collapse is happening in the neck or the thoracic inlet, plastic rings are placed surgically around the inside of the trachea.

If the collapse is deeper in the chest, often a stent is placed in the trachea. A stent is basically like a tiny spring that holds the trachea open.

Repair of a tracheal collapse is a very specialized surgical procedure. Don't let your veterinarian tell you that it's no big thing. These particular procedures have significant potential for complications. They should only be performed by a veterinary surgeon that has really extensive knowledge and a well-equipped hospital with a staff able to help your dog recover from this significant procedure in an appropriate manner.

I was asked by a club member for an article on Tracheal Collapse in Pomeranians. We have first-hand experience with a collapsing trachea. In August 2013 I had my Vet check Wolfie's trachea as he had been experiencing short bouts of "honking". The X-ray showed a narrowing but it was hard to tell how bad it was. We bit the bullet and went to Alta Vista in Ottawa (an emergency clinic with lots of specialists) for further testing. We did a Fluoroscopy and an endoscopy. They also took samples of the trachea for culture and sensitivity tests. It was not good. Tracheal collapse is measured on a scale of 1 - 4. Wolfie's trachea started as a 1, moving to 2 then 3.5 before widening again to a 2 then 1 just as the trachea splits into the bronchial tubes. We were told we really had no option but to do stent surgery immediately before he had a crisis. The quote of \$5000 plus we were given only covered the surgery itself. Following surgery there were mediations, follow up fluoroscopies every 3 months, etc. There was no guarantee that the stent would be successful, the costs were prohibitive and we were concerned about his post-surgery quality of life I went out to the Pomeranian community asking for people's experiences with stent surgery. The feedback I got at that time was not at all encouraging. The people who actually had the surgery done on their dogs were not positive. Their dogs did not survive more than 6 months post-surgery plus there quality of life in those 6 months was basically no existent. We decided against the surgery and Wolfie was put on a bronchial dilator and an inhaler twice a day. He is definitely more symptomatic than he was but the symptoms are well managed. We have a plan for treatment if and when the symptoms become more severe.

Christine

Nosodes Instead of Vaccines

Homeopathic nosodes are often touted as alternatives to conventional vaccines. In fact, I often suggest the homeopathic nosode remedies, Lyssin, along with Thuja, to help blunt the effects of potential and actual adverse vaccine reactions. However, I do not recommend nosodes to prevent or treat infectious diseases. They do not generate measurable humoral immunity; the B-cell response we want to protect against infectious diseases. After long term use, some antibody may appear because the companion pet is exposed to the native virus, bacterium or parasite and mounts an immune response. This is generally the point at which the nosode debate turns from objective to emotional. I empathize if you are concerned about adverse vaccine reactions, have had a companion dog or cat fall ill or even die from the adverse effects of vaccines. As we need to keep this conversation objective; I will review the few canine nosode studies that have been conducted.

Before I move forward, I want to clearly state that I promote a minimal vaccine protocol based on the infectious potential and severity rate of the disease, the effectiveness of the vaccine, the documented regional incidence and prevalence, and the duration of immunity. Also, the general principles discussed here apply to cats and other companion animal species, like horses.

History

The history of smallpox gives us perspective on nosodes and vaccines. The concept of immunity has been around since approximately 430 BC when survivors of smallpox cared for the afflicted. Around the 10th century AD, the Chinese reported taking smallpox pus from infected individuals, drying it and inserting it up the nose of those who never had the disease. In India, they would take pox laden blankets and wrap children in them.

The practice of inoculation (*aka* variolation) is believed to have started regionally around the globe before the 17th century. Inoculation is a derivative of the Latin word, *inoculare*, meaning "to graft". Now we use the term more generally, but it originally was the subcutaneous instillation of fresh pus from one infected individual and transferred to another through a cut in the skin. During the 18th century, inoculation was gaining popularity throughout Europe and the American Colonies, and was statistically proven to be effective by Cotton Mather and Zabdiel Boylston, but was still met with skepticism.

The first accounts that cowpox provided cross-immunity to smallpox surfaced during the mid-18th century. Benjamin Jesty, a dairy farmer, applied the philosophy in 1774 to his family by purposefully inoculating them with cowpox.

It is unknown if Edward Jenner was aware of Jesty, but he had heard the comments about the cross-immunity of cowpox. Jenner was a scientist and probably more of a showman. In 1796, Jenner inoculated (still by grafting the skin) a boy with cowpox and renamed it "vaccination" (cowpox is "*vaccinia*" in Latin). In essence, he popularized the practice.

Concurrently, German Samuel Hahnemann, the father of homeopathy, advanced the concept of nosodes, which are highly

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dilute biological preparations from an element of a disease or from diseased tissue and used to prevent disease.

The Difference Between Vaccines and Nosodes

Vaccines and nosodes sound the same because they both are derived from diseases but fundamental differences exist.

Preparation

Vaccines are prepared in three steps:

1. An antigen is generated and grown. An antigen is a foreign or toxic substance that induces the immune system to produce antibodies against it.
2. The antigen is isolated from the cells used to create it.
3. The antigen is then mixed with adjuvants, stabilizers and preservatives. Adjuvants increase the immune response of the antigen; stabilizers increase the vaccine's storage life; and preservatives preserve and also allow for the use of multi-dose vials.

Homeopathic nosodes are prepared in a totally different way to commercial vaccines. Their preparation does not include antigen, but involves serial dilutions of biological material usually by incremental factors of 100. The theory behind their development invokes transfer of the memory message of the vital force or energy from the infectious agent or other material to a diluent having polar identity. This diluent will not be capable of accepting the vital energy message unless it is shaken in a particular manner, termed succussion. The higher the dilution of fluid that is succussed, the more potent will be the nosode product. This dilution must exceed Avogadro's number (moles) in order to assure that there are no longer any infectious particles in the resultant nosode. Thus, nosodes are safe but may not equate with protection against the intended infectious disease. In other words, they *generally do no harm but may not work*.

Administration

Vaccines are administered either by injection (shot) into muscle and subcutaneous tissue, orally or intranasally. They have also been used in bait to help immunize wildlife. A variety of vaccination protocols for dogs and cats exist; and national and international veterinary policy guidelines are available for immunizing dogs, cats and horses. My canine protocol calls for a distemper and parvovirus vaccine at 9-10 weeks of age, the same again at 14-16 weeks, and a final parvovirus only vaccination at 18 weeks. Then measuring serum antibody titers for those two viruses a year later, and then every three years, or more often, if desired. I prefer to give rabies vaccines 4 weeks apart from other vaccinations, and to wait until a minimum of 20 weeks and thereafter as specified by law. Other

vaccines such as those for canine adenovirus-2 (hepatitis; cross-protects against infectious canine hepatitis), Bordetella, canine influenza, and canine coronavirus, are generally not essential, as they either immunize against diseases that rarely occur, or the diseases are mild and the vaccines are not fully protective anyway. For leptospirosis, and Lyme disease, which are zoonoses (can infect humans and other species), the need for vaccines depends upon the specific strain seen clinically (leptospirosis), and regional and situational circumstances. Please remember that misinformation, along with fear of exposure and infection should not be the primary determinant here, as any vaccine can elicit an adverse reaction!

Nosodes are given orally. My colleague, Dr. Charles Loops, states that nosodes can be started as early as start at six weeks of age. The dosing interval is every two weeks, then three weeks and monthly. Generally, the nosodes can be stopped at 6 months of age.

Studies

The question that arises about nosodes is whether they actually immunize animals or humans. As we're not talking about vaccines here, the terms immunization and protection from infectious disease are not really applicable. While the individual given nosodes may remain healthy in the face of normal environmental/community exposures, this is not proof that the approach works. Only when individuals given nosodes, rather than conventional vaccinations, become ill with the infectious disease addressed by the nosode does one have evidence of nosode failure.

On a positive note, there is a large body of anecdotal evidence from veterinarians, allied health professionals, and the public at large - who use homeopathic nosodes against various infectious disease agents - indicating that their animals have kept healthy. These are not animals that are secluded and would be unlikely to be exposed to infectious diseases. Nevertheless, these reports do not scientifically prove that the nosode worked. Regardless, this is why I advocate a minimal vaccination protocol: to balance protection against deadly diseases yet preserve the integrity of the immune system.

My friend and holistic veterinary colleague, Dr. Susan Wynn, has researched the topic of homeopathy extensively. Her goals are to prove objectively when homeopathy is effective and then have the therapy gain acceptance within the mainstream medical world. She wants fundamentally to change the perception with positive action for the betterment of humans and animals.

In fact, with my encouragement, Dr. Wynn performed a controlled nosode study in the late 1990's with Dr. Ronald Schultz. Her 1998 *Journal of American Veterinary Association* article discussed this and two other nosode trials.

Kennel Cough

Possibly the most referenced nosode study was conducted in 1985 by Christopher Day, a veterinary homeopath. He had found out about a kennel cough outbreak at a dog boarding facility in the United Kingdom.

- 214 - Sample size
- 62 dogs injected with Enduracell 7. According to the primary source dated May 9, 1990, by Ministry of Agriculture Fisheries and Food, in *The London Gazette*, the Enduracell

7 vaccine covered distemper, parvovirus, adenovirus-2 (hepatitis), parainfluenza and leptospirosis. Smith-Kline was the manufacturer at the time.

- 2 dogs given Intrac (Bordetella only) nasally.
- 150 dogs not vaccinated.
- **All** dogs were given 30c of nosode and then administered the nosode twice per day for 3 days.
- 92.5% - Kennel cough incidence prior to nosodes
- 44.3% - Kennel cough incidence after nosode protocol started (significant decrease)
- 51 - Previously vaccinated developed mild symptoms
- 1 - Unvaccinated dog developed mild symptoms

Yes; this study would make one undeniably think that the kennel cough nosode was effective and more effective than the vaccine. However, here are my thoughts:

- No control group. A control group is a basic, standard protocol with any research study whether homeopathic or conventional.
- How was the vaccination history question posed? Was there a timeline or history requested? If no timeline was given or full history requested, the unvaccinated dogs might have been vaccinated years prior [although admittedly, kennel cough vaccines have a relatively short duration of immunity]. We also have no clue when the vaccinated dogs were individually injected.
- We do not know the ages of the dogs.
- We do not know their antibody levels to the disease prior to and after nosode exposure.

Kennel cough equivocates to the common cold so the symptoms are mild and rarely develop into pneumonia. Most importantly, true kennel cough demands two factors: a bacterium like Bordetella *and* a virus to produce symptoms. Let's discount the two dogs only vaccinated with Bordetella. Regarding canine parainfluenza, we rarely hear it causing clinical disease in unvaccinated dogs, so I have not considered the parainfluenza vaccines necessary. With respect to canine influenza and the recent outbreak around Chicago, the current vaccine (H3N8 strain) did not adequately protect against the recent entry into North America of the Asian strain (H3N2). But, new canine vaccines are already available against this H3N2 strain. The clinical difference seen in the early stages of kennel cough and canine influenza is that the former rarely develops a fever and pneumonia, whereas the latter typically exhibits a fever that can lead to pneumonia.

In general, vaccines against the core antigen of a virus usually cross-protect against any mutants that evolve, as it's the envelope that mutates - canine parvovirus is a classical example as the current parvovirus 2b vaccines still fully protect against both strains 2b and virulent 2c.

Further, it is widely recognized that the injectable kennel cough vaccines do not provide complete protection against the viruses and bacteria in this complex. Note that the intranasal

and oral Bordetella vaccines induce the release of interferon, an immune protective protein that inhibits viral replication, and thus protects against the other upper respiratory canine viruses. Injectable Bordetella vaccines do not release interferon.

Distemper

Stray dogs - admitted to a municipal shelter - were given a canine distemper nosode to help prevent the spread of the disease. They remained in the shelter for eight days. After the fifth day, they were observed for clinical signs of distemper. The incidence of disease decreased from 11.67% to 4.36%. Again, no control group was used. Additionally, the immune history of these dogs was unknown.

Parvovirus

Dr. Wynn and Dr. Ronald Schultz (University of Wisconsin; Principal Investigator of the Rabies Challenge Fund) performed the only controlled, albeit small, parvovirus nosode study.

- 13 - Sample size
- 5 - Unvaccinated control group; not given nosodes
- 1 - Contact-control dog for the nosode-treatment group
- 7 - Unvaccinated and given nosodes. Parvovirus nosodes given orally and in ascending potencies in a manner recommended by veterinary homeopaths.
- Control and experimental groups exposed to the 2a and 2b strains of canine parvovirus. The dose (1 X tissue culture infectious doses) was less than or equal to the viral challenge a dog would be expected to encounter in a parvovirus contaminated environment.
- Results: 5 out of 7 nosode treated dogs passed away; 5 out of 6 control dogs passed away.
- Study findings: Parvovirus nosode failed to provide adequate protection from infection or disease.

Dr. Wynn states it most eloquently, "Until well designed studies are completed and thousands of pet owners make a concerted effort to help with potential retrospective studies, nosodes remain an unknown quantity, and I do not recommend using them as a sole strategy for disease prevention."

On a final note, whenever an alternative approach to conventional medicine is used, the client must be informed that it is an alternative, perhaps unproven modality, and that *both oral and written informed consent* should be obtained from the client to use any form of alternative, holistic or homeopathic therapy, including the use of nosodes. In the case of rabies vaccine, however, conventional vaccination is required by law and must be followed by all licensed veterinarians. Please remember that all vaccines, included those for rabies are

stated on the label to be given to healthy dogs. The only exception to this requirement might be applicable on a case-by-case basis with appropriate justification for exemption or deferral from rabies booster vaccination. In these cases, rabies serum antibody titers are usually performed in order to document an acceptable level of protection in the event of exposure to rabies virus.

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Beautiful Poms for 2016

Son Shine Pomeranians is pleased to join our Ontario Pomeranians at the Pom Booster at Caledonian in 2016.

Our little boy with a big heart Son Shines Mojo Dunit made it into The Best In Show ring with the big guys Saturday and Sunday, his first time out. A beautiful fellow gave his all at only 4 months at the Kilbride and District Kennel Club Pomeranian booster show winning best pom puppy. It was so hot and the shows were hard on our youngsters so we are indeed very pleased that they showed so well. We look forward to having lots of fun with him. Thanks to the Judges for appreciating this boy.



Earlier this spring at Guelph, with very limited showing our girl, Son Shines Candy Crush did very well and completed her Championship in one weekend.

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Congratulations to all the winners at the 2016 Pom Booster. It was nice to see a good entry of Pomeranians and we hope to see everyone at future shows. Our Thanks to Larry & Christine for the lovely prizes/gifts, supper and support at ringside at the Pomeranian booster



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