



# Quincy Kennel Club

JULY 2011

## Club Meeting

July 11 - 7:00pm

Board meeting at 6:30pm

Farm Bureau Building • 330 S. 36th St.

## RALLY CLASSES

Rally Classes are Thursday nights, 7:00-7:30. Cost to non members is \$25 for 1 month, \$40 for 2 months.

## BRAGS

Billy is now AKC Champion Moody's Minstrel, # 81 homebred champion for Jane and Paul Moody.

He finished at Belle City KC in March going WD 4 point major. He now lives with his handler and new owner, Deb Podratz (Tri-Pod Cockers) in Minnesota. (We're slow getting Billy's title posted.)

-Jane Moody



Denali



Pilot



Chrome

Denali and Morgan took 2nd place in the 6-9 month Class at Nationals. Pilot and Morgan took 2nd place in the Open Blue Merle Class at Nationals. Chrome won his Veterans Dog Class in the 7-10 year olds! - Anne Heckle

I would like to announce the birth of my new puppy Dorothy. She was born 5/31/11 along with her 2 wheaten colored brothers & a black boy. She is also a wheaten color, but will be (hopefully) darker than Orion. Her show name is: HIQ Reole Chasing Rainbows. She will be going home to Michigan Sunday & I will be waiting until into July to get her back at 8 weeks. -Elaine Wallace



Dorothy

**Rally Brags-** Pip earned his first leg on his RA in Rally Advanced A at the Rolla shows at Purina Farms June 18 with a 3rd place. - Christi

Bullet earned the first leg on his RN in Rally Novice B at the Rolla shows at Purina Farms June 18 with a 2nd place. In obedience on June 19th Bullet got 3rd place & the first leg on his CD from Novice B with a 191. -Bonnie

## HOT WEATHER TIPS FOR PET CARE

**HOT CARS KILL PETS!** The inside of a car can heat up to 110 degrees in 10 minutes on an 80 degree day - even with the windows slightly open. Your pet will suffer needlessly and could die when left in your car even on a moderately hot day.

**HEAT STRESS SYMPTOMS:** • Danger signals to watch for in a dog or cat: heavy panting, rapid breathing, staggering, weakness. • When breathing suddenly becomes quiet with any of these symptoms, the animal may collapse. • A heat-stricken animal can die in minutes, but proper care may save its life.

**TREATMENT:** • Immediately bring the animal to a shady spot. • Slowly cool the animal by placing it in cool, NOT cold, water. Reduce body heat gradually. • Apply ice packs to the head and neck. • Take the distressed pet to a veterinarian as soon as possible. Treatment for dehydration and other serious problems will be necessary.

**BACK**

**INTERVENTION:** If you see an animal locked in a car on a hot day: • Locate the owner as quickly as possible. If the car is parked at a store, ask a store employee to page the owner. • If the owner cannot be found quickly, call the police to free the animal from the car. Take first-aid measures noted above.

## **THIS INFORMATION CAN HELP YOU CARE FOR YOUR COMPANION ANIMAL WHEN THE MERCURY RISES.**

- Overheating (heat prostration) can kill an animal. Never leave an animal alone in a vehicle, since even with the windows open, a parked car, truck or van can quickly become a furnace. Parking in shade offers little protection, as the sun shifts during the day. When traveling, carry a gallon thermos filled with fresh, cold water.
- Don't force your animal to exercise after a meal in hot, humid weather. Always exercise him or her in the cool of the early morning or evening.
- In extremely hot weather, don't leave your dog standing on the street, and keep walks to a minimum. He is much closer to the hot asphalt and his body can heat up quickly. His paws can burn since they are not protected by shoes
- Always provide plenty of shade for an animal staying outside the house. A properly constructed dog house serves best. Bring your dog or cat inside during the heat of the day and let her rest in a cool part of your house. Always provide plenty of cool, clean water for your animal.
- Please be sensitive to old and overweight animals in hot weather. Brach cephalic (snub-nosed) dogs (especially Bulldogs, Pekingese, Pugs, Boston terriers, Lhasa Apsos and Shih Tzus) and those with heart or lung diseases should be kept indoors in air-conditioning as much as possible.
- Keep a current license and identification tag on your dog or cat and consider tattooing or micro chipping as a means of permanent identification.
- Avoid walking your dog in areas that you suspect have been sprayed with insecticides or other chemicals, as poisonings increase during the summer when gardens, lawns and trees are sprayed. These chemicals can sicken or kill an animal. Call your veterinarian if you suspect your animal has been poisoned.
- Be alert for coolant leaking from your vehicle.

Animals are attracted to the sweet taste of coolant and ingesting just a small amount can cause an animal's death. Consider using animal-friendly products that use propylene glycol rather than those containing ethylene glycol.

- A clean coat can help to prevent summer skin problems, so keep your dog or cat well groomed. If he has a heavy coat, shaving your dog's hair to a 1-inch length will help prevent overheating. Don't shave a dog's hair down to the skin; this robs him of protection from the sun. A cat should be brushed frequently to keep his coat tangle-free.
- Take your companion animal to the veterinarian for a spring or early summer checkup, including a test for heartworm if your dog isn't on year-round preventative medication. Have the doctor recommend a safe, effective flea and tick control program.
- Never tie an animal outside on a correction collar. He can choke to death. If you must tether him, use a buckle collar with identification tags instead. (This applies in any season)
- Never let your animal run loose. This is how an animal can contract a fatal disease, including rabies, or be injured, killed or stolen. Be sure there are no open, unscreened windows or doors through which your animal can fall or jump.

**HAVE A SAFE & HAPPY 4TH OF JULY!**

