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## July 2010 Newsletter

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Board

Members: Bill Cox  
Joe Artes  
Ernie Lopez  
Ron Dotson



*Bryan and Rita Bonas's Roxy*

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## Calendar of Events

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### **GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING**

#### **Our Topic - "Photographing your dog"**

Wednesday, July 14th

7:00PM

Animal Medical Center

600 Broadway, El Cajon

### **SDSDC BBQ & Fireworks**

July 10th, 6PM BBQ - Fireworks at 9:50pm

Sunset Point, Mission Bay, by the Dana Hotel

Contact Mary Sarmiento for details.

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### **SDSDC Padre Game - July 17th**

### **Snake Avoidance Clinic - July 24th**

High On Kennels - Santa Ysabel

Contact Joe Artes or Randy Domingos for details.

[\*\*Click for printable PDF flyer to post and hand out.\*\*](#)

### **SDSDC Picnic - July 31st**

11:00 AM - Dos Picos County Park, Ramona

The Club will supply Carne Asada and Pollo Asada and hot dogs. Bring a side dish to share.

The Club will provide sodas and water. If you have any sort of outdoor game for all to enjoy please bring it. We'll be conducting a White elephant raffle so bring an item to contribute relating to dogs or hunting valued at under \$20.

Volunteers may still be needed, contact Wendy Greenwell to see how you can help out.

### **Doggie Yappy Hour - Sarmiento's - August 21st.**

Look for details in the August Newsletter

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## Recent Events

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**Rattlesnake Avoidance Clinic, June 26th, 2010**

**By Mary Sarmiento**

The Rattlesnake Avoidance Clinic went well on the 26th in Alpine. Sam Madamba put on an informative and successful workshop. A big thanks goes out to Sam, his son Nick, and his three

rattlesnakes. Thanks to Matt Johnson, Pam Felgenhauer, Rick and Wendy Greenwell, Eleanor, and me for organizing, placing flyers, and helping out at the event. We were short on time for advertising, but still managed to put 14 dogs through. I had a great time, and enjoyed the day and the company

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## 2010 SDSDC Gun Raffle

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### 2010 SDSDC Gun Raffle

By Pam Felgenhauer

All current members will be getting a package in the mail that contains ten (10) raffle tickets for the 12 ga. and ten (10) tickets for the 28 ga. Remington SPR310 guns that we are raffling off at the 2011 SDSDC Banquet. Also enclosed is a flyer with all the information on the guns. Please be sure to read the memo for important info concerning this raffle. The specifics of the guns are as follows:

Remington SPR310  
Over/Under  
Walnut stock  
12 ga.-28" barrel  
four chokes  
28 ga. - 26" barrel  
fixed modified & full  
chokes  
Auto selective ejector  
Chrome lined bore  
Vent rib



Tickets will be \$5 each or 5 for \$20. The Drawing will be held at our annual banquet January 15th 2011. The winner must be eligible to own a firearm under California and need not be present to win. The Club will not refund the ticket costs to a winner who is not eligible to own a firearm under California law.

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## The Board of Directors and General Meeting Report

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### SDSDC Board of Directors meeting June 9th, 2010

Present were, Mary Sarmiento, Randy Domingos, Joe Artes, Ernie Lopez and Ron Dotson.

## Old Business

**Snake Avoidance** – Two Clinics will be held. June 26th in Alpine, Mary Sarmiento with Sam Madamba to organize this event and July 24th, Joe Artes and Randy Domingos to organize with Tracy Presson. Once finalized an e-mail will be sent out with flyers for members to distribute, members will be asked to volunteer for the events.

**Gun Raffle** – Mary will organize the mailing of the raffle tickets and ask Trevor to generate a flyer.

**Picnic** – The picnic will be July 31st, 2010. Wendy Greenwell is organizing the event and will provide the specifics for the July newsletter.

**Safety Shoot** – No update as Rick was unable to attend the meeting. Jimmy Phillips has determined we need a Safety Officer at each shooting position as opposed to a single Safety Officer as in years past.

**Bird Boxes** – Ernie Has found a source for used bird boxes. The club will buy 40 boxes at \$15 each, a \$600 purchase. We don't need 40 boxes so the some will be available for purchase by other clubs or our members.

**Insurance Update** – Pam was unable to attend the meeting, however she has gotten the quote for renewal from Sportsmen's. It is a quote from McNeil & Company. The premium is \$750.00.

Limits of Insurance:

General Aggregate	\$3,000,000
Each occurrence	\$1,000,000
Personal Injury	\$1,000,000
Damage to premise	\$100,000
Medical	\$5,000

Or we can stay with Philadelphia, the premium would be \$795

Limits of Insurance:

General Aggregate	\$2,000,000
Each occurrence	\$1,000,000
Damage to premise	\$100,000
Medical	\$1,000

Our current policy expires July 8th so the board has voted via e-mail to go with McNeil and the check has been mailed.

**Bank Account** – The Board has decided to close the Bank of America account. As soon as the members that need to sign the documents are available this will be done.

**Business Cards** – Mary has received the club business cards and will distribute them to club members. Cards can be handed out to potential new members or anyone interested in the club. Members should contact Mary when they run out for replacements or they will be available at the General monthly meeting.

**Census** – Several members have responded to the census. Randy will send out an e-mail to

those that have not and try to get as many responses prior to his report to the Board at the July meeting.

**Membership** – Has not changed in the last 30 days. Any member not current on their dues that does not have e-mail and has been getting a newsletter mailed to them will no longer receive it after the June newsletter.

### **New Business**

**Padre Game** – Steve Sarmiento will co-ordinate a club night at Petco July 17th. An e-mail to the membership to see who wants to attend. Steve will arrange for the purchase of the tickets through Costco.

**Doggie Yappy Hour** – Will be held at the Sarmiento's sometime in August.

**SD Wildlife Federation Liaison** – Chris Logan will not be able to attend the SDWF meetings which is the 3rd Monday of each month, 6:30 – 8:30 PM, at the Sizzler Restaurant, I-15 and Aero Dr, San Diego. Mary will send out an email to see if a member can volunteer to represent us at the meeting.

**Training Day** – June 12th - Mary cannot attend this event and has asked those interested to co-ordinate among themselves for this training day.

**Treasures Report** – In the Point Loma Credit Union account we have \$4977.90 and in the Bank of America account we have \$732.61.

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## **General Membership Meeting Report June 9th 2010**

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We had a short and sweet General Meeting June 9th. We mainly discussed the upcoming events for the summer and Mary had some handouts available on how to choose a puppy. For our July meeting Randy Domingos with the help of Ron Dotson will have a presentation on photographing your dog.

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### **Avoiding Heat Related Injuries in Dogs**

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**By Nate Baxter DVM**

The first thing that needs to be understood is that dogs and people are different enough that most of the info cannot cross lines. I do not profess to know what the appropriate procedures for people other than what I learned in first aid.

Dogs do not lose enough electrolytes thru exercise to make a difference, but if the dog gets truly into heat stroke the physiology changes will make them necessary. BUT oral replacement at that point is futile, they need intravenous fluids and electrolytes and lots of it.

**Cooling:** Evaporative cooling is the most efficient mean of cooling. However, in a muggy environment, the moisture will not evaporate so cooling does not happen well. I cool with the coldest water I can find and will use ice depending on the situation. The best way is to run water over the dog, so there is always fresh water in contact with the skin. When you immerse a dog in a tub, the water trapped in the hair coat will get warm next to the dog, and act as an insulator against the cool water and cooling stops. If you can run water over the dog and place it in front of a fan that is the best. Misting the dog with water will only help if you are in a dry environment or in front of a fan. Just getting the dog wet is not the point, you want the water to be cool itself, or to evaporate.

For MOST situations all you will need to do is get the dog in a cooler environment, like shade, or in the cab of the truck with the air conditioning on (driving around so the truck does not overheat and the AC is more efficient). Up to a couple of years ago, I was very concerned about my dogs getting too hot in the back of my black pickup with a black cap. A new white truck fixed a lot of that problem. When I had one dog I just pulled the wire crate out of the car and put it in some shade and hopefully a breeze. But having 2 dogs and running from one stake to another, that was not feasible. So I built a platform to put the wire crates on, this raises the dog up in the truck box where the air flow is better. Then I placed a 3 speed box fan in front blowing on the dogs with a foot of space to allow better airflow. I purchased a power inverter that connects to the battery and allows the 3 speed fan to run from the truck power. It has an automatic feature that prevents it from draining the battery. When I turned that fan on medium I would find that the dogs were asleep, breathing slowly and appeared very relaxed and comfortable in a matter of 20 minutes or less, even on very hot muggy days.

**Alcohol:** I do carry it for emergencies. It is very effective at cooling due to the rapid evaporation. It should be used when other methods are not working. You should be on your way to the veterinarian before you get to this point. We recommend using rubbing alcohol, which is propylene alcohol, not ethyl, for those of you not aware. So do not try to drink it. Alcohol should be used on the pads and lower feet area where there is little more than skin and blood vessels over the bones. Use a little bit and let it evaporate, you can use too much as some is absorbed through the skin. There are concerns about toxicity, but you have to get the temperature down.

I purchased those cooling pads that you soak in cold water, but found that the dogs would not lay on them. I would hold them on the back of a dog that just worked to get a quick cool, but have not used them for years. I also bought a pair of battery operated fans but found them pretty useless. Spend your money on the power inverter and get a real fan.

**Watching temperature:** If you feel your dog is in danger of heat injury, check its temp and write it down. Keep checking the temp every 3 minutes. I recommend to get a "rectal glass thermometer. The digital ones for the drug store I have found to be very unreliable. Don't forget to shake it down completely each time, sounds silly, but when are worried about your companion, things tend to get mixed up. This is **\*\*VERY IMPORTANT\*\*** once the temp **STARTS to drop, STOP ALL COOLING EFFORTS.**

The cooling process will continue even though you have stopped. If the temp starts at 106.5, and then next time it drops to 105.5, stop cooling the dog, dry it off, and continue monitoring. You will be amazed how it continues to go down. If you do not stop until the temp is 102, the temp will drop way too low. I cannot emphasize this point enough.

When the dog is so heated that it is panting severely, only let it have a few laps of water. Water in the stomach does not cool the dog, you just need to keep the mouth wet so the panting is more effective.

Do not worry about hydration until the temp has started down. A dog panting heavily taking in large amounts of water is a risk of bloat.

Due to the heavy panting they will swallow air, mixed with a large amount of water they can bloat. Once the temp is going down and panting has slowed to more normal panting then allow water. The dog will re-hydrate it self after temp is normal. If the dog has a serious problem and even though you have gotten the temp normal, get the dog to a vet, as it can still need IV fluids and some medication. Also, a case of heat stroke can induce a case of hemorrhagic gastroenteritis (not parvo), with a ton of very bloody diarrhea and a lot of fluid and electrolyte loss. These cases need aggressive treatment.

The best method of treatment is prevention. Learn to watch your dog, and see the changes in the size of the tongue, and how quickly it goes down. Learn your dogs response to the different environments, and be careful when you head south for an early season hunt test or trial. I have been to Nashville at the end of May, only 5 hours away, but the difference in temp and humidity did effect the dogs as they were used to more spring weather in Ohio. Try different things in training to help the dog cool and learn what works better. Another very important point, **Do not** swim your hot dog to cool it then put in put in a box/tight crate. Remember, evaporation can not take place in a tight space, and the box will turn into a sauna and you will cook your dog.

Carry a stake out chain, and let the dog cool and dry before putting it up. I demonstrated this lesson this spring with my 10 month old pup. After doing a 15 minute session in yard drill on a warm 70+ degree day, she was panting pretty hard and was pretty hot. She was OK but it was time to stop. Just for the heck of it I took her temp. She was 103.6, above normal but not too bad for a dog that had just finished working. In my back yard I have a 300 gallon Rubbermaid tub filled with water. I took her to it and she jumped in and out 3-4 times. She appeared totally improved, tongue was much smaller, and eyes brighter and her full spring was back into her step. So I re-took her temp and it was 104.2, so even though she looked better she was hotter. This is a perfect lesson to show not get a hot dog wet and then put them in a box. The water on her skin caused the blood vessels to constrict, decreasing blood flow to the skin. Therefore the hot blood was shunted back to the dog's core a and retained the heat. You may have felt the same thing, after exercising but still being very warm, take a shower and get cooled off but as soon as you turn the shower off you start sweating again.

I know this is s bit long, but hopefully this is easy to understand and helps provide some useful information.

Remember: Prevention, learn your dog. It is worth the time and effort.

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## Congratulations

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### **Roxy and Franklin work on their titles**

**By Mike Moran**

Roxy with her four passes and title (Jr. Hunter). She got her title the day before she was 18 months. Trainers Steve and Mary. Mary handled her for the first two legs and I did the last two. Dos Patos Locos Foxy Lady "Roxy" my yellow lab passed her fourth Jr. Hunt test and has her Junior Hunter Title at 1 day shy of 18 months. Steve Sarmiento's Franklin got his second leg for Junior the same day in Woodburn, Oregon.



*Mike Moran's Dos Patos Locos Foxy Lady AKA Roxy*



*Steve and Mary Sarmiento's Alpine's Franklin of Benelli AKA Franklin*

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## The Food Bowl

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### **Fried Chukar**

**By Randy Domingos**

While grocery shopping I came across a fry coating mix called Dixie Fry. I pulled a Chukar out of the freezer and cooked it up as you would fried chicken. The mix comes out nice and flakey. You can always add other ingredients with it, I like a little more paprika in the mix. Served with Cole slaw and potato salad you can't go wrong.



### **Newsletter Submissions:**

To submit an article, brag, recipe or want ad to the SDSDC Newsletter please send an E-Mail to: [RandyDomingos@sandiegosportingdogclub.org](mailto:RandyDomingos@sandiegosportingdogclub.org)

### **E-Collars Information:**

Steve Sarmiento is now a Tri-Tronics representative and can help you with information and purchasing Tri-Tronics collars.

If you are thinking about getting an e-collar, and want to do some research, go to this link [www.gundogsupply.com/dog-training-collars-buyers-guide.html](http://www.gundogsupply.com/dog-training-collars-buyers-guide.html) for a lot of information.

### **Training Opportunities:**

Pam and Mary are holding obedience classes in Alpine, North County and Lakeside. Basic obedience for puppies and adults, behavior issues, rescued dogs, AKC Canine Good Citizen classes and Puppy Star classes. Also available for private in home lessons. Call for details 619-659-9393 or 619-442-5354 or email [muscat54@gmail.com](mailto:muscat54@gmail.com).

Steve Sarmiento is accepting dogs for training. Cost is \$650 per month and includes birds. Take advantage of the off season and get your dog trained up. Contact Steve at 619-659-9393 or [sssarmi@gmail.com](mailto:sssarmi@gmail.com)

### **Dog Portraits (and other art):**

Have your best friend and hunting partner immortalized in a commissioned painting. Visit the website of SDSDC member Ron Dotson.

[www.rondotson.com](http://www.rondotson.com)

### **For your shooting needs:**

Hi-Pass Sports 2435 Alpine Blvd #B Alpine, CA 619 445-4039.

[www.hipasssports.com](http://www.hipasssports.com)

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## For Sale & Must Have

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**FOR SALE:** Command Leads and Leather Collars – Call Steve Sarmiento for details. 619-701-2089

**FOR SALE:** Training birds for sale, Pigeons, Chukar and Pheasants . Contact Steve Sarmiento at 619-659-9393