

2009 PVSSC ANNUAL AWARDS

The Potomac Valley Standard Schnauzer Club is pleased to offer an award plaque for each new championship, obedience, rally obedience, tracking, agility, or herding title earned by its members' dogs during the 2009 calendar year. A Versatility award (multiple titles which can be gained over multiple years) is also offered. In addition, the PVSSC will offer an award plaque for the following:

Standard Schnauzer of the Year
Standard Schnauzer of the Year - Opposite Sex
Obedience Standard Schnauzer of the Year
Obedience Standard Schnauzer of the Year - Opposite Sex

Agility Standard Schnauzer of the Year
Agility Standard Schnauzer of the Year – Opposite Sex
Brood Bitch of the Year
Stud Dog of the Year
Junior Handler of the Year

To be eligible for an award, the dog must be owned by a PVSSC member in good standing who has attended at least two PVSSC events during the 2009 calendar year. Co-owned dogs must have resided the majority of the 2009 calendar year (that is, 51%) with the PVSSC member submitting the request for the award.

All application forms, as well as the complete Award Rules that include an explanation for calculating points, can also be obtained from Awards Chair Gail Pfeiffer, 703-670-8355 or g091467@ol.com. They can also be downloaded from the PVSSC web site, www.pvssc.org.

Completed application forms should be sent by regular mail to:
Gail Pfeiffer, 4015 ForgeDr., Woodbridge, VA 22193
or by FAX to 703-670-8355 (call first to arrange Fax).

THE DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT OF APPLICATION IS MARCH 15, 2010,

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PLAQUE APPLICATION FORM*

Owner's Name: _____

Dog's Registered Name: _____

Title Earned: _____

Date that title was published by AKC: _____

(OR attach photocopy of AKC Certificate OR print-out of title confirmation from AKC web site):

Q Instead of a Plaque, I prefer a donation to be made to the Canine Health Foundation, Standard Schnauzer Donor Advised Fund. (Dog will still be honored at Awards Dinner).

Q (Co-owned dogs only) I certify that the dog above resided with me for at least 51% of the 2009 calendar year.

Owner's Signature: _____

(NOTE: PLEASE SUBMIT ONE FORM PER DOG, AND ONE FORM FOR EACH TITLE. That is, a dog earning a Championship and a CD degree would have two forms submitted.

Copy or download forms if needed, please do not submit back-to-back forms!
ALL FORMS MUST BE SIGNED

RULES AND EXPLANATION OF PVSSC ANNUAL AWARDS

Rules and Eligibility requirements for SS of the Year, Obedience SS of the Year, Agility SS of the Year, Brood Bitch of the Year, Stud Dog of the Year, Junior Handler of the Year and Versatility Award. (Adopted 1978, Amended 1995, 2003, 2004, 2008, 2009, 2010)

PVSSC STANDARD SCHNAUZER OF THE YEAR and STANDARD SCHNAUZER OF THE YEAR, OPPOSITE SEX

1. The PVSSC will award the title "PVSSC Standard Schnauzer of the Year" to the Standard Schnauzer accumulating the greatest number of points according to the rules and eligibility requirements described below.
2. The PVSSC will award the title "PVSSC Standard Schnauzer of the Year, Opposite Sex" to the Standard Schnauzer of the opposite sex to the Standard Schnauzer of the Year who accumulated the greatest number of points according to the rules and eligibility requirements described below.
3. Points will be accumulated according to the following point schedule:

| Highest Award * | POINTS** |
|-----------------|------------------------------------|
| Reserve | -1 point for each SS defeated |
| Winner | -2 points for each SS defeated |
| Best of Winners | -3 points for each SS defeated |
| BOS | -4 points for each SS defeated*** |
| BOB | -4 points for each SS defeated |
| Award of Merit | -3 points for each SS defeated**** |
| Group 4 | -40 points, plus BOB points |
| Group 3 | -60 points, plus BOB points |
| Group 2 | -80 points, plus BOB points |
| Group 1 | -100 points, plus BOB points |
| Best in Show | -200 points, plus BOB points |

*Points are computed only for the highest award received.

**For counting points, your own dog counts as one SS defeated.

***In determining the number of champions defeated by the BOS winner, count one champion defeated for each champion of the same sex competing.

****Awarded at SSCA National Specialty and certain other major shows. Requires submittal of proof of AOM as AOMs are not recorded in the AKC Awards Magazine/CD.

How to calculate points for BOS and AOM:

EXAMPLE 1: The BOS winner is a bitch and so is the BOW. The BOS winner gets 4 points for each class dog and class bitch shown plus the points allowed for the defeated champions.

EXAMPLE 2: The BOS winner is a bitch and the BOW is a dog. The BOS Winner gets 4 points for each class bitch shown (and only for the class bitches) plus the points allowed for defeated champions.

AWARDS OF MERIT: These are calculated as for BOB and BOS except that the BOB and BOS dogs should not be included as "dogs defeated." E.g., the AOM winner is a male and so is the BOB. The AOM winner gets 3 points for every dog in competition (including itself) minus 3 points for the BOB winner. Similarly, if the BOB is a male and the AOM winner is a female, she gets 3 points for every female defeated, plus points for the class dogs if the BOW is also a female, as in Example 1 above. The opposite situations (BOB is a female etc.) are calculated in the same manner.

4. The awards will be determined by points accumulated during the calendar year, January 1 to December 31, inclusive.
5. Only points accumulated at AKC point shows and verified by publication in the AKC Awards Magazine/CD will be allowed. In the case of points from Awards of Merit, since these are not recorded in the AKC Awards Magazine/CD, applicant must also submit photocopy of each AOM certificate or ribbon, OR printed pages from Show Results from superintendents' web sites if these record AOMs.

6. Only dogs whose owner/owners (if co-owned) are in good standing with the AKC and members of the PVSSC are eligible to compete or receive the awards. If an owner becomes a member of the PVSSC during the year, only points accumulated after membership are allowed. Co-owned dogs must reside in the home of a PVSSC member in good standing.
7. If a dog is sold to a PVSSC member during the year, only those points accumulated while owned by a PVSSC member are allowed. Awards are given the PVSSC member in good standing only.
8. Application for award must be made by the owner(s) of the dog to the Awards Committee on the Club's official form giving the point accumulation and the date and page of the AKC Awards Magazine/CD (or name/date of show) where each win may be verified.
9. Applicants are solely responsible for the accuracy of their entries.
10. The AKC Awards Magazine/CD will be the final authority for point accumulation.

OBEDIENCE STANDARD SCHNAUZER OF THE YEAR and OBEDIENCE STANDARD SCHNAUZER OF THE YEAR, OPPOSITE SEX

1. The PVSSC will award the title "PVSSC Obedience Standard Schnauzer of the Year" to the SS with the highest average score in obedience competition as determined according to the rules and eligibility requirements described below.
2. The PVSSC will award the title "PVSSC Obedience Standard Schnauzer of the Year, Opposite Sex" to the SS of the opposite sex to the Obedience SS of the Year who has the highest average score in obedience competition as described according to the rules and eligibility requirements described below.
3. The average score will be determined from the dog's three (3) highest scores in obedience competition in any of the obedience classes: Novice, Open, or Utility. Each of the three scores must be a qualifying score.
4. The award will be based on competition during the calendar year, January 1 to December 31 inclusive.
5. Only scores at official AKC obedience trials and verified by publication in the AKC Awards Magazine/CD will be allowed.
6. Only dogs whose owner or owners (if co-owned) are in good standing with the AKC and members of the PVSSC are eligible to compete or receive awards. If an owner becomes a member of the PVSSC during the year, only scores made after membership are allowed. Co-owned dogs must reside in the home of a PVSSC member in good standing.
7. If a dog is sold to a PVSSC member during the year, only those scores made while owned by a PVSSC member will be allowed. Awards given to PVSSC members in good standing only.
8. Application for award must be made by the owner(s) of the dog to the Awards Committee on the Club's official form giving the point accumulation and the date and page of the AKC Awards Magazine/CD (or name and date of show) where each win may be verified.
9. Applicants are solely responsible for the accuracy of their entries.
10. The scores as listed in the AKC Awards Magazine/CD will be the final authority.

AGILITY STANDARD SCHNAUZER OF THE YEAR and AGILITY STANDARD SCHNAUZER OF THE YEAR – OPPOSITE SEX

1. The PVSSC will award the title "PVSSC Agility Standard Schnauzer of the Year" to the SS with the highest average score in agility competition as determined according to the rules and eligibility requirements described below.
2. The PVSSC will award the title "PVSSC Agility Standard Schnauzer of the Year, Opposite Sex" to the SS of the opposite sex to the Agility SS of the Year who has the highest average score in agility competition as described according to the rules and eligibility requirements described below.
3. The average score will be determined from the dog's five (5) highest scores in agility competition in any of the agility classes: Excellent (A or B), Open, or Novice levels of Standard or Jumpers with Weaves with a minimum of three (3) of those scores coming from qualifying runs earned in the Standard Class.
4. The award will be based on competition during the calendar year, January 1 to December 31 inclusive.
5. Only scores at official AKC agility trials and verified by publication in the AKC Awards Magazine/CD will be allowed.

6. Only dogs whose owner or owners (if co-owned) are in good standing with the AKC and members of the PVSSC are eligible to compete or receive awards. If an owner becomes a member of the PVSSC during the year, only scores made after membership are allowed. Co-owned dogs must reside in the home of a PVSSC member in good standing.
7. If a dog is sold to a PVSSC member during the year, only those scores made while owned by a PVSSC member will be allowed. Awards given to PVSSC members in good standing only.
8. Application for award must be made by the owner(s) of the dog to the Awards Committee on the Club's official form giving the point accumulation and the date and page of the AKC Awards Magazine/CD (or name and date of show) where each win may be verified.
9. Applicants are solely responsible for the accuracy of their entries.
10. The scores as listed in the AKC Awards Magazine/CD will be the final authority.

STANDARD SCHNAUZER STUD DOG OF THE YEAR and STANDARD SCHNAUZER BROOD BITCH OF THE YEAR

1. The PVSSC will award the title "PVSSC Standard Schnauzer Stud Dog of the Year" to the Standard Schnauzer with the most number of Champions finished during the calendar year as determined according to the rules and eligibility requirements described below.
2. The PVSSC will award the title "PVSSC Standard Schnauzer Brood Bitch of the Year" to the Standard Schnauzer with the most number of Champions finished during the calendar year as determined according to the rules and eligibility requirements described below.
3. The award will be determined by the highest number of offspring finishing their Championships during the calendar year: January 1 to December 31, inclusive.
4. More than one award will be given when more than one stud dog or brood bitch has the same number of Champions. There will be no tie-breakers.
5. Offspring do not have to belong to PVSSC members.
6. Only dogs whose owner or owners (if co-owned) are in good standing with the AKC and members of the PVSSC are eligible to compete or receive awards. Co-owned dogs must reside in the home of a PVSSC member in good standing.
7. Application for award must be made by the owner(s) of the dog, to the Awards Committee on the PVSSC official form, giving offspring's name and date and page of the AKC Awards Magazine/CD where the Championship may be verified (or copies of AKC Championship Certificates for offspring).
8. Applicants are solely responsible for the accuracy of their entries.
9. The AKC Awards Magazine/CD will be the final authority for determining all awards.

PVSSC JUNIOR HANDLER OF THE YEAR

1. The PVSSC will award the title 'PVSSC Junior Handler of the Year' to the Junior Handler accumulating the greatest number of points while showing a Standard Schnauzer according to the rules and eligibility requirements described below.
2. The PVSSC will award Rosettes to all Junior Handlers who have accumulated points and are competing for the PVSSC Junior Handler of the year.
3. Points will be accumulated for placements (I through 4) in the 4 classes (Novice Junior, Novice Senior, Open Junior, Open Senior) and Best Junior according to the following point schedule:

HIGHEST AWARD* POINTS**

Fourth Place -1 point for each Junior Handler defeated
 Third Place -2 points for each Junior Handler defeated
 Second Place - 3 points for each Junior Handler defeated
 First Place - 4 points for each Junior Handler defeated
 Best Junior - 4 point for each Junior Handler showing in all classes***

*Points are computed only for the highest award received.

**For counting points, the competing Junior Handler counts as one defeated.

***In determining the number of Junior Handlers defeated, count one for each participant in Novice Junior, Novice Senior, Open Junior, and Open Senior.

EXAMPLE 1: When the PVSSC Junior Handler is FIRST in Open Junior and there were 4 participating in Open Junior including the PVSSC Junior Handler, the PVSSC Junior Handler gets 4 points for each of the 4 handlers for a total of 16 points.

EXAMPLE 2: When the PVSSC Junior Handler get Best Junior and there were 2 in Novice Junior, 2 in Novice Senior, 3 in Open Junior and 4 in Open senior, then the PVSSC Junior Handler has defeated 11 Junior Handlers for a total of 44 points. He must remember to count himself as one defeated.

4. The awards will be determined by points accumulated during the calendar year, January 1 to December 31, inclusive.
5. Only points accumulated at AKC point shows and verified by publication in the AKC Awards Magazine/CD will be allowed.
6. Only Junior Handlers who are in good standing with the AKC and have a Junior membership or whose parent/family holds a regular membership in the PVSSC are eligible to compete or receive the awards. If a Junior Handler becomes a member of the PVSSC during the year, only points accumulated after membership are allowed.
7. Only points for wins with a Standard Schnauzer are counted.
8. Application for award must be made by the Junior Handler to the Awards Committee on the Club's official form giving the point accumulation and the date and page of the AKC Awards Magazine/CD (or name and date of show) where each win may be verified. .
9. Applicants are solely responsible for the accuracy of their entries.
10. The AKC Awards Magazine/CD will be the final authority for point accumulation

PVSSC VERSATILITY AWARD

The Versatility Award recognizes the dog and handler team who epitomizes the versatility of "The Dog with the Human Brain". This award will be given to all dog/handler teams who achieve a minimum of **15 points** across three or more categories of performance, which can be achieved over several years. Dog/handler teams who have been awarded a Versatility Award in past years may be eligible to win this award again in following years provided new qualifying titles (totaling 15 additional new points) have been earned since the earlier award.

Points are cumulative within category (i.e. A dog achieving a CD & a CDX would gain 7 points).

VERSATILITY POINT SCHEDULE

Category A – Conformation

CH *Championship Title* – 5 points

Category B – Obedience

OTCH *Obedience Trial Champion* – 10 points

UDX *Utility Dog Excellent* – 8 points

UD *Utility Dog* – 7 points

CDX *Companion Dog Excellent* – 5 points

CD *Companion Dog* – 2 points

Category C – Rally

RAE *Rally Advanced Excellent* – 5 points

RE *Rally Excellent* – 4 points

RA *Rally Advanced* – 2 points

RN *Rally Novice* – 1 point

Category D – Tracking

CT *Champion Tracker* - No additional points as this is awarded automatically when one earns a TD, TDX & VST and no additional work or training is required.

TDX *Tracking Dog Excellent* – 6 points

VST *Variable surface Tracker* – 6 points

TD *Tracking Dog* – 3 points

Category E – Agility

MACH *Master Agility Champion* – 10 points

MX or MXP *Master Excellent or Master Excellent Preferred* – 7 points

MXJ or MXJP *Master Excellent Jumper or Master Excellent Jumper Preferred* – 7 points

AX or AXP *Agility Excellent or Agility Excellent Preferred* – 5 points
AXJ or AXJP *Agility Excellent Jumper or Agility Excellent Jumper Preferred* – 5 points
OA or OAP *Open Agility or Open Agility Preferred* - -4 points
OAJ or OAJP *Open Agility Jumper or Open Agility Jumper Preferred* – 4 points
NA or NAP *Novice Agility or Novice Agility Preferred* – 2 points
NAJ or NAJP *Novice Agility Jumper or Novice Agility Jumper Preferred* – 2 points

Category F – Herding

HTD (AHBA) - 4 points
PT (AKC) or JHD (AHBA) - 3 points
HT (AKC) or HCT (AHBA) -1 point

Category G – Miscellaneous

AKC-CGC - 1 point
TDI or Delta (Therapy certification) – 1 point
Search & Rescue Certification – 1 point