



## Irish Setter Club San Diego



### Meeting Notice

Meetings are held on (U.N.O.)

2nd Wed. of the month at:

Allied Gardens Rec Center,  
5155 Greenbrier Ave.,  
San Diego.

Board Mtgs at 7 p.m.,  
followed by a General  
Membership Meeting

Next Meetings  
are  
May 13  
and  
June 10  
2020

## PETS AND COVID: HOW SAFE ARE YOUR PETS?

TUESDAY, May 5, 2020 (HealthDay News) -- Nadia, a tiger at New York City's Bronx Zoo, tested positive for the [coronavirus](#). A few pet cats in the United States (and maybe one dog) have, too.

And since the novel coronavirus causing the current [pandemic](#) is thought to have originated at a live animal market in China, some people have wondered if they need to worry about their own pets.

The good news is that any risk to humans from Fluffy or Fido is very low, according to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. The bad news? Humans with COVID-19 infections could pose a slight risk to certain animals, such as cats or ferrets., but not dogs

"There have really only been a handful of known domestic animal infections in the entire world," said Dr. John Howe, president of the American Veterinary Medical Association.

"There are reports of a few cats in China and two dogs tested positive there, too," Howe said. Several cats in the United States have also been diagnosed with the virus. Howe added that the animals all had minor symptoms.

And in one case -- the first reported infection in a dog in the United States -- Howe said he's not convinced the dog even had any symptoms.

"It's doubtful the dog [a pug] -- was even ill. Pugs have upper respiratory problems anyway. It's very easy for the test to pick up the presence of the virus in a dog's mouth, but it doesn't necessarily mean the dog was infected. The dog could have licked up the virus from any of the people in the household," Howe explained.

Winston, the pug, was living with a family of four in North Carolina. One family member admitted that the pug was allowed to lick from the family's plates. In a study at Duke University, three family members and Winston tested positive, according to news reports.

"A daughter, another dog and a cat didn't test positive," Howe said.

Not all animals are safe from COVID-19, however. Besides 4-year-old Nadia, four tigers and three lions at the Bronx Zoo reportedly contracted COVID. But leopards, cheetahs and cougars don't seem to be susceptible, Howe said.

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## FROM THE PRESIDENT

### STAY SAFE MEMBERS



## PETS AND COVID: HOW SAFE ARE YOUR PETS?, *CONTINUED FROM PG 1*

He said there was a report that Dutch workers on a mink farm transmitted the infection to the animals. And, Howe said, ferrets seem susceptible to the infection.

"There has been no evidence yet of people getting COVID from any domestic animal. Coronavirus is no reason to abandon your pets," Howe said.

While it may be a relief to learn your pooch or feline probably can't get you sick, there are still precautions you should take, particularly if you have a COVID-19 infection.

If you feel OK and take your dog out for a stroll, it's important to practice social distancing guidelines, the CDC says. Keep your dog 6 feet from other people and animals. Try to keep your dog from interacting with other people or animals.

Howe said now is definitely not the time to walk your dog using a long, expandable leash. He and the CDC said dog parks are out for now, too.

The CDC says it's ideal to keep cats indoors to prevent them from interacting with other people or animals.

What if someone pets your dog or cat?

Howe said pet hair tends to be porous and would likely trap virus particles. That means even if someone had virus particles on their hand when they touched your pet, you probably wouldn't catch the virus by petting your animal, too.

Still, it's a good idea to wipe the area with soap and water, or bathe your pet, if possible, Howe said. But never use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer on your pets, because they might lick it off, Howe said.

If you get sick with COVID-19, have another member of your household take over the pet care, if possible, the CDC says. Try to avoid contact with your pet as much as you can. This means no petting, snuggles, licks or sharing food or bedding with your furry pal while you're sick.

"Just like you would with a child, try to have someone else take care of your pet, but if you have to, make sure you wear a mask around your pet," Howe said.

The CDC also recommends washing your hands before and after interacting with your pet.

If you've been sick and then your pet seems ill, call your vet for advice.

## WHAT TO PACK IN AN EVACUATION KIT FOR YOUR DOG

*ARTICLES PROVIDED BY BARBARA SCOTT,  
EDITOR OF THE "THE HAPPY HEELER"*

Wildfires, hurricanes, tsunamis, Winter Storms, Polar Vortex's or perhaps the zombie apocalypse . . . whatever the reason for abandoning one's home, it's a good idea to have an emergency kit ready with some essentials. People typically have a pre-packed bag for themselves, but far fewer have one for their furry family members. Here are some items that I recommend having handy:

1. Spare collar and leash. Preferably with a tag containing your dog's name and your contact info.
2. A familiar toy and/or blanket. Evacuations are stressful for everyone! Having a comforting item that smells like home can greatly reduce your dog's anxiety.
3. Your dog's medications. This is especially important if he or she is on antibiotics or heart, seizure, pain or anxiety medications. Abruptly stopping these medications can cause serious health issues with your dog.
4. A water purifier. Good for you, good for your dog. It's also a heck of a lot lighter than a case of bottled water. While it's true that Fido can often drink less than sparkling clean water, he can also be exposed to water-borne parasites, bacteria, pesticides and other substances that can make him quite ill. To be safe, it's best to purify the drinking water for you both.
5. First aid kit. Again, this benefits both you and your dog. At the very least, a first aid kit should have: Bandaging supplies Iodine or chlorhexidine wound cleaner Triple antibiotic ointment or cream Vaseline (or similar ointment) to protect burns/cuts and to help with dry/cracked paw pads and noses Hydrogen peroxide A brief note on peroxide: While it is not a good antiseptic — that is what the iodine is for — it works well in a pinch for wound irrigation and getting the dirt and debris out of a cut or abrasion. It can also be used to induce vomiting if your dog eats something potentially toxic. Before you do this however, contact a veterinarian to see if inducing vomiting is the correct approach. Some substances can do further damage if they are vomited.

## WHAT TO PACK IN AN EVACUATION KIT FOR YOUR DOG, *CONTINUED PG 2*

6. At least 2 days' worth of food. Abrupt changes in a pet's food can cause diarrhea and other digestive upsets, which is not something you want to deal with in a situation already filled with chaos!

7. Appropriate snacks or treats. Similar to having a favorite toy or blanket, having a supply of treats they are accustomed to will help alleviate extra sources of stress. Plus, having a tasty treat can help lure a scared dog out of hiding to help with rescue attempts.

8. Duct Tape. This can be used as emergency bandaging, to repair a torn item of clothing, or you can even fashion a makeshift leash if need be! Channel your inner MacGyver and you can probably come up with at least a dozen more uses.

Two other things that I highly recommend, but not necessarily in an evacuation kit: A sign in your front window telling rescuers how many pets you have: You may not physically be able to take all of your pets with you when you evacuate your home. A sign in the window will help rescuers know what — and how many — pets to look for when they come to help.

A pet microchip: These are small, silicone-coated devices that are implanted by a veterinarian with a needle. About the size of a grain of rice, they are a means of permanent identification of your pet and greatly increase the chances of you reuniting with them should you get separated in an emergency. These are not GPS tracking devices (GPS technology exists for pets but in a real emergency these systems may not be reliable). Animal shelters, veterinarians, and rescue organizations have devices that read the microchip number and allow them to get in touch with you.

I hope I have given you some food for thought on how to best prepare yourself and your dog for an emergency. In cases like this it's important to hope for the best, but plan for the worst.

## CAN I WALK MY DOG DURING THIS CRISES?

CAN I WALK MY DOG? Physical and mental exercise are extremely important for dogs and dog owners alike. Before taking a walk, check your local regulations. As long as the area where you reside remains safe enough to venture outside, dog owners feeling healthy and well should plan to continue walking their dogs daily, albeit with added safety measures. Observe any local ordinances concerning curfews, even if that means adjusting your dog walking schedule. Owners should wash their hands thoroughly for at least 20 seconds before and after each walk. Consider carrying around a pocket-sized bottle of hand sanitizer during your walks. Practice social distancing measures by walking your dog in uncrowded areas when possible. If you live in a big city, make efforts to take your dog down less-heavily-trafficked blocks, or try adjusting walks to less busy times of day and night.

## HOW CAN DOG OWNERS PROTECT DOGS FROM CORONAVIRUS?

HOW CAN DOG OWNERS PROTECT DOGS FROM CORONAVIRUS? For now, healthy pet owners in the U.S. don't need to do anything other than follow basic hygienic precautions such as washing their hands with soap and water before and after contact with any animal, including dogs and cats. If you test positive for COVID-19 or have been exposed to the novel coronavirus, experts recommend that you should "restrict contact with [your] animals — both to avoid exposing the pets and to prevent getting the virus on their skin or fur, which might be passed on to another person who touches the animal." To reduce the spread of all germs, you may consider wiping your pet's paws when they come in and out of the house with a paw cleaner and paw wipes. Dogs do not need a face mask to protect themselves against the novel coronavirus COVID-19. If you are still concerned or notice a change in your dog's health, speak to a veterinarian.

**And the most important protection of all: Under no circumstances should owners abandon their dogs, cats, or other pets because of COVID-19 fears.**





## BRAGS



Kenzie finished her AKC Excellent Standard and Jumpers titles on January 25th & 26th this year. She is now ready to start collecting those MACH points! CH Courtwood Fire In The Sky AX AXJ OF ACT2 CGC TKN

Val Mahoney

Aileen Frazier reports:

Maverick had a fabulous "coming out" at ISCSA's Specialty Shows and Silver Bay KC.

Rusticwood Four Aces Pay The Gambler

Judge Mr. Sid Marx, Irish Setter breeder

Winners Dog from the 6-9 puppy dog class and Best Puppy, bred by Carolyn Disen, Ann Smith and Amy Osowski, owned by lucky me.

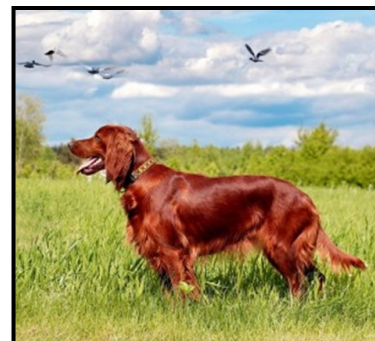
By GCH Jadestar Seven Card Stud CD, RA, CGC (proud grandma Linda Kenan) out of Ch Rusticwood Mystic Keepsake.

At the PM ISCSA Specialty show under Judge Paula Dempsey, English Setter breeder, Maverick was awarded Best Winner's dog. He was also Reserve WD at the Silver Bay KC all-breed on Sunday. Plus, he got chicken nuggets at Mrekey D's on the way home. And he didn't get sick at all. He has decided going to dog shows are pretty fun, maybe.

Thank you to Julie Kay for sprinkling him with her showdog magic!



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## BOARD AND GENERAL MEETING MINUTES 3.14/4.11/5.13.2020

### IRISH SETTER CLUB OF SAN DIEGO

**BOARD MEETING:** No meeting at Allied Gardens; plan to hold meeting at St. Patrick's Day Parade Saturday March 14, 2020. Parade cancelled and no meeting held due to Covid19 self-quarantine mandated. No meeting in April or May for same reason.

Check out the **Monthly Calendar** on the Website at [www.iscsd.org](http://www.iscsd.org). Click on the Events tab on the left sidebar. Each month can be printed by simply clicking on the month you want and pressing print. Send in any updates to: [iscsd@san.rr.com](mailto:iscsd@san.rr.com)

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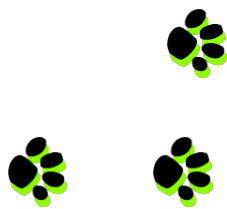
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Day**

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