

# The Tartan

## Scottish Terrier Club of Michigan



### President's Message

Dear Members and Lovers of Scottish Terriers,

I hope you and your families are doing well. While dog shows took a break this summer it seems, then a few started up in August. I also noticed K-9 Events also had competitions, FAST CAT and Barn Hunt and others.

I hope this New Year will get things back to normal. During this time we can look at avenues to enjoy our dogs and have fun. AKC has a lot of information on performance and conformation events. Having fun with your dog maybe a way to move forward this New Year.

The club was awarded funds to have a bladder cancer screening at a low cost to members and Scottie lovers. If anyone would like to volunteer to help organize this event please let the board know. The screening would be held possibly in the fall in conjunction with our Specialty. You can contract a board member or just call me, 269-591-0487.

Sincerely,  
Regina Hess

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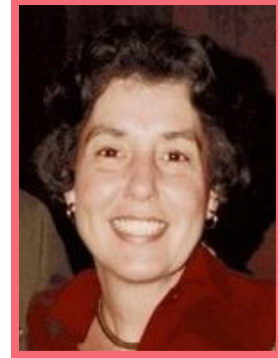
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# Club News

## In Memory Of...

Lisa Hills Mother  
Peg Ferry 1933 - 2020



Springfield, IL—Peg Ferry died peacefully on December 31st surrounded by her family.

She was preceded in death by husband Don and son Tom. She is survived by children; Mark (Coleen), Bruce (Lori) and Lisa Hills (Mike); four grandchildren Elizabeth, Katherine and Will Ferry and Lauren Ferry Mack; brother, Chuck Parsons; sister, Patricia Farley; and several nieces and nephews.

She was born in 1933 the daughter of Melvin and Helen Parsons.

She graduated from Springfield High School, attended Blackburn College and earned a Bachelor of Education from the University of Illinois.

In 1954, she married Donald Ferry and upon graduation, returned to Springfield. Always involved in the community, Peg volunteered with many civic organizations. She was a member of PEO Sisterhood, King's Daughters, Sunnyside Circle, and IBYC Race Committee. She served on the boards of many charitable organizations including Junior League, Mini O'Berne Crisis Nursery, Springfield Old Capitol Art Fair, and Springfield Art Association.

Peg was devoted to her family, was a fierce friend, an avid reader, and Scottie lover. Her home was always open to her kids' friends who needed a meal or a place to crash. Ever the optimist, you never saw Peg without a smile on her face and a twinkle in her eye. She loved everything about life - except oatmeal!

Family services to be held at The Point in Wisconsin.

Memorials may be made to The Rees Carillon Society, 2500 S. 11th Street, Springfield IL 62703 or Douglas Avenue Methodist Church, 501 S. Douglas Ave., Springfield, IL 62704.

Please keep Lisa and her family in your prayers.

Source: <https://www.legacy.com/obituaries/sj-r/obituary.aspx?n=peg-ferry&pid=197460309>

# STCM Health Trust

## Winter Pet Safety: 6 Tips to Enjoy a Snow Day With Your Dog By Caitlyn Ultimo

A fresh snowfall is a great excuse to take the day off work or school to play with your dogs in snow. There are a ton of fun dog games you and your pup can play to help stay warm and make the most of a snow day. But before you enjoy these winter activities for dogs, there are certain precautions you should take to ensure the safety of your pup. The last place you probably want to spend your snow day at your veterinarian's office, so here are some winter pet safety tips that keep the fun going without putting your dog at risk for injury.

### Play Dog Games in the Snow

If your dog loves to play fetch, then he may enjoy the added challenge of playing it in the snow. [High-intensity dog games and winter activities for dogs](#)—like running after or digging up toys—can help keep your dog warm for optimal winter pet safety. You can also hide treats for your dog to dig up in the snow. If your pup isn't interested in searching or digging, shovel a maze through your yard and drop treats randomly on the path to encourage your dog to explore.

### Protect Those Paws

Foot injuries during the snowy months are the most common reason owners bring their pets into the hospital," says Dr. Pete Lands, DVM at Hickory Veterinary Hospital in Plymouth Meeting, Pennsylvania. "Rock salts have a tendency to get stuck between dogs' toes and can lead to dried and [cracked skin](#). We generally treat these injuries by bandaging the feet for a few days, providing anti-inflammatory medication, and resting our pets. These injuries can be prevented by wiping your dog's feet after a walk or using shoes. You have a few options for keeping your dog's paws protected. [Dog booties](#) like [Ultra Paws](#) are a popular winter pet safety solution. An alternative to boots is [Musher's Secret](#), a 100% natural wax that's applied to the paw pads to form a moisturizing barrier between your dog's paws and the snow and salt.

### Know Thy Dog

Some dogs are better suited to cold weather than others. A shorthaired Chihuahua may only be able to stand the snow for 15 minutes, while a double-coated Husky may not want to go inside for hours. Your dog's size, amount of body fat, coat thickness, age and breed will affect how well they tolerate the cold weather. You should also take extra caution during winter activities for dogs when senior pups are involved, especially those that suffer from arthritis. "Colder weather can also exacerbate arthritis. Older dogs with arthritis should be taken on slow, controlled walks and progress to longer walks. Consult with your family veterinarian about a pain management plan or other exercise techniques if your dog has trouble in cold weather," says Dr. Lands. When you and your senior dog are done playing in the snow, have him relax in a [heated pet bed](#) to help soothe his stiff joints, loosen tight muscles and keep him warm throughout the night.

### Bundle Up

Just like people, dogs can wear extra layers to stay warm on snow days. During the fall and winter months, I recommend that my clients keep their pets comfortable in the cold with clothing," says Dr. Lands. [Dogs in snow can wear durable winter coats](#) to keep them warm and dry. A great choice is the [Kurgo North Country Dog Coat](#) because it has waterproof exterior and soft, fleece lining, plus it comes in several sizes to fit most dogs. Knit sweaters alone are not suitable for dogs in snow because they absorb cold water and hold moisture close to the skin. However, a [dog sweater](#) can be used to add an extra layer of warmth beneath your dog's winter coat.

### Watch for Shivering

Watch your pup for signs that they're getting too cold during outdoor dog games. "Similar to humans, dogs will shiver and seek warm environments when they are too cold. Some dogs will become lethargic or disinterested in activity. If you notice any of these signs, take your pet indoors immediately," warns Dr. Lands. Your dog might not show obvious signs while they're playing, so it's important to observe their behavior. Keep an eye on your dog and avoid letting them off-leash in open areas where they could get lost without shelter from the cold.

### Warm Up Indoors

Whether it's only been 15 minutes or a few hours and you see your pet shivering, you'll need to bring them inside and get them warm and dry right away. Use an [absorbent towel](#) to remove snow and ice as it melts on their fur. Then blow their fur dry with a [pet dryer](#), as the dampness will make it take longer for them to warm up and get comfortable.

For us, the best part of a snow day is coming inside and warming up with a mug of hot cocoa. For your dog, prepare a soothing bowl of [The Honest Kitchen Bone Broth](#) (or recipe below) with warm (not hot) water that will help your dog warm up and rehydrate.

Source: <https://be.chewy.com/winter-pet-safety-6-tips-enjoy-snow-day-dog/>



# Fun Stuff

## BONE BROTH FOR DOGS

This super simple bone marrow broth recipe for dogs makes it easy to add important nutrients and minerals to your dog's diet. Boost your dog's immune system, relieve joint pain, improve liver health and support healthy digestion with bone broth.

### INGREDIENTS

- 3 to 4 pounds (or more) raw bones with marrow (chicken, turkey, rabbit, beef, pork or oxtail)
- 3 inches ginger root, sliced
- 2 ounces parsley, chopped
- 4 ounces Shiitake mushrooms
- 2 stalks celery, chopped
- ¼ cup organic raw apple cider vinegar (it helps pull the minerals and marrow from the bones)
- 3 cloves garlic, chopped (\*omit if your pet has a history of hemolytic anemia)
- 6 quarts water

### PROCESS

1. Place all prepared ingredients in a large soup pot or slow cooker.
2. Cook on low heat for 12 to 24 hours (12 on the stove at simmer or 24 in the slow cooker on low).
3. Allow to cool. Remove and discard bones (*never feed cooked bones*).
4. Place broth in the refrigerator and allow the fat to rise to the top. Skim fat and discard.

Notes: Raw bones are recommended. You can add in extra bones that have already cooked, for example roasted; some of the nutrients have already been lost, but you can reuse them to extract every last bit

Source: <https://thebark.com/content/recipe-making-bone-broth-dogs>





# Club Member Brags

## CH HIQ's Ring Side Gossip (Hopper)

Hopper has arrived to the West home. There were a few disagreements between Toby and Hopper upon arrival. Thankfully both are now behaving.



Hopper



Hopper & Toby

## Photos And Brags Needed

Articles and pictures are needed for the Tartan. C'mon, it's OK to brag. We all want to see and hear about your pups and everyone needs a much needed smile.



# Information

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Date of birth  
Date of death  
jpg picture

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