

SUSIE ARNDORFER, with her Borzoi Sasha, displays a recent issue of her bimonthly Single Doglovers Association newsletter, in which dog owners seeking romance place personal advertisements, recently in Slippery Rock, Pa. AP PHOTO

Dog lovers seek romance in newsletter just for them

SLIPPERY ROCK, Pa. (AP) Canine crush: Doting dog lover seeks same to unleash dating game.

Lonely hearts with pooches can place such a personal ad in a newsletter just for them.

"Quiet animal lover seeks down-to-earth pet lover who knows who's the boss — 'the dog,' " writes a 42-year-old New Jersey woman with two hounds at home. The Single Doglovers Association newsletter is run by Susie Arndorfer, a pet lover's pet lover.

"I really believe in this," said Arndorfer, although she admits her own personal hasn't attracted a man willing to put up with her three borzois, an Afghan, a Pembroke Welsh corgi, two mongrels, two German shepherds, three cats, 11 geese and some goats.

The newsletter is published by desktop computer from 179 Corry Rd., Slippery Rock, PA, 16057. Membership costs \$20 for six months, \$30 for a full year. Personals number about 150. All mention dogs by breed.

The farthest-flung subscriber is a woman (mixed breed) in Odessa, Ukraine. A GWM, or gay white male (Wheaton terrier), is a new subscriber.

Some ask for pen pals. Others put their hearts on the line.

The newsletter paid off for Anne Marie Buzas and Patrick Kershaw, who got together after his April 1992 ad and are now married.

Kershaw of Danbury, Conn., (three Saint Bernards) received many replies. After all, there are seven women for every male subscriber. But the letters from his future bride (German shepherd) from Columbia, Md., were a cut above.

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