



# Is He Real?

BY NINA STANLEY

**T**he answer is YES! "Super Dog Max" came into my life a few months ago. His dad/trainer, Carl entered Max into our Panache Pooch contest. After viewing all the photos Carl sent in, I couldn't believe my own eyes! I had already chosen him as the winner for the contest, but did not let Carl know immediately.

As a dog lover, I was absolutely smitten by this beautiful and smart animal. Max came across as more human than canine! Once I finally let Carl know that Max was the winner for our Sept. / Oct. 2011 issue, I asked if I could please meet Max in person after the magazine had been printed. My intention was to hand deliver the magazine to our Panache Pooch contest winner- something I had never done before - still having reservations whether he was a real dog. He is!

From our very first meeting at their home, and many thereafter, I really got to know Max. I also fell in love with my buddy Max, more and more, after each visit. I was invited by Carl to see Max in his best element, outside in the malls interacting with everyone. We spent over three hours one evening just walking and talking about Max! The response from everyone was overwhelming, I felt as though we were celebrities. I am not, nor is Carl, but Max is!

I hope all of my readers enjoy the photos of Max and learn more about him. I am smitten by him, and cannot get enough of Max. He is truly the most remarkable dog I have ever met and I love him dearly, as I know you all will. Here I go, please enjoy!

Max is a 100% red, male standard poodle, 2 years old and weighs 60 lbs. He is actually a bit larger than most standard poodles. Max is a tall boy! The standard poodle is regarded as the first or second most intelligent breed of dog; Max falls into the category of first, of course!

Max has been through several hundred hours of training by Carl, who continues to train him daily! Max is a licensed service animal, as well as a certified therapy dog.

Carl has taught Max more tricks than I have ever seen, sorry Lassie and Rin Tin Tin! With over 25



years of training animals; from dogs to cats and even exotic birds, Carl has what it takes to teach Max and all other animals, like no other trainer out there! His love and patience is very obvious in the way Max acts and reacts to everyone and every situation. Max is available and more than happy to attend events; he is also available for photo shoots, movies, modeling and just about anything. Max is a quick learner. He can learn a new trick taught by Carl within one - two weeks, something that might take humans a lifetime! Max also has a website, [www.SuperDogMax.com](http://www.SuperDogMax.com) and a Facebook page. Follow by little buddy, see his tricks and adorable antics- like, stealing the keys from his daddy to the boat or the convertible! Last but not least, my interview with "Super Dog Max", learn more about him and fall in love.

**PV: Are you a real dog?**

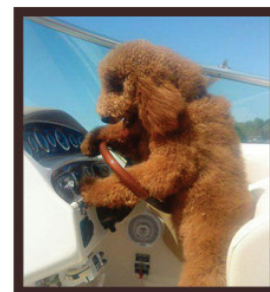
**Max:** I am! I'm a 100% standard poodle, thank you.

**PV: Max, what do you love doing the most?**

**Max:** First and foremost, I love lying around and relaxing with my dad. Secondly, I love all the attention I receive from others when I'm out and about with dad.

**PV: Do you like all the attention you receive and do you ever get tired of it?**

**Max:** Sometimes I get tired. When dad and I are enjoying a meal, some people don't respect our privacy.



**PV: What's your favorite food Max?**

**Max:** I love medium rare steak, chicken and my favorite treat to share with dad is Welch's grape popsicles, yummy! In his bed, of course!

**PV: What is a typical day for you like?**

**Max:** I get a half-hour walk in the morning and evening with training in-between. I run all errands with dad like dry cleaning; banking and wrestling. I enjoy a spa bath fit for the prince that I am. We even cut the lawn together. I get to sit on the front of the mower, yeah!

**PV: Max, who do you love more than anyone in this world?**

**Max:** My daddy Carl!

**PV: Is there anything you would like to do or learn that you haven't already?**

**Max:** Sit in the cockpit of a plane, but not fly it!

**PV: Max, you've traveled all over the country and met so many wonderful people. Is there anyone you have not met that you would like to?**

**Max:** President Obama's dog, Bo!

For more information regarding Max or his trainer, please visit [www.SuperDogMax.com](http://www.SuperDogMax.com)

All photography of Max was shot by Carl: 800-324-1311

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