

'Dancing with the Stars' Couple's Doggie Wedding

Karina Smirnoff and Maksim Chmerkovskiy say dogs will play major role in their ceremony.

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Karina Smirnoff and Maksim Chmerkovskiy of "Dancing with the Stars" say they'll make their dogs, Boxer Goga and mutt Randy, a big part of their summer 2010 wedding.

"Maybe they can hold the ring," Smirnoff jokes to OK! Magazine. "We're trying to have Goga and Randy become a couple because Goga's a girl Boxer and Randy's a boy. They would work well together."

Smirnoff and Chmerkovskiy got engaged Dec. 31, and Smirnoff says the dogs have been great practice for their next big step: kids.

"Having a dog is like having a baby that never grows up, so he constantly needs your attention, he always wants to have your love and if you don't give it to him – he voices his opinion, and he lets you know about it, so it definitely prepares you for motherhood," she says.

"Besides anything else, it's nice to come home to a puppy that is always waiting for you and always excited," Smirnoff adds.

Smirnoff and Chmerkovskiy will return to the new season of "Dancing with the Stars," which debuts Sept. 21 on ABC.