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GCHG Silverhall Strike Force

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◆ NUMBER SIX AMONG ALL BREEDS

◆ 2016 ASC NATIONAL SPECIALTY WINNER

◆ MULTIPLE ALL BREED BEST IN SHOW WINNER

◆ MULTIPLE BEST IN SPECIALTY SHOW WINNER



OUR HEARTFELT GRATITUDE TO MIKE & LINDA PITTS AND TO ALL OF THE JUDGES WHO HAVE MADE THIS PAST YEAR SUCH A WONDERFUL SUCCESS!

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PRESENTED BY MIKE & LINDA PITTS

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-TAILEY-

MULTIPLE REGULAR GROUP WINNER

SELECT BITCH
ASC FLUSHING SPANIEL SHOW 2016

BEST OF VARIETY O/H
ASC FLUSHING SPANIEL SHOW 2016

BEST OF VARIETY O/H
ASC SUMMER NATIONAL 2016

SELECT BITCH
ASC REGIONAL ZONE 1 SHOW 2016

MULTIPLE O/H BEST IN SHOW WINNER

#1 BLACK O/H IN THE USA 2016



A BIG THANK YOU

GOES TO ALL THE BREED SPECIALIST JUDGES THAT HAVE
AWARDED TAILEY WITH THESE PRESTIGIOUS WINS DURING 2016

OWNED AND HANDLED BY – KARIN LINDE KLERHOLM
BRED BY – MARK RAGUSA, MARLENE NESS AND MICHELLE MITCHELL

SIRE: GCH A/C CH MARIO N BEECHWOOD'S MIDNIGHT EXPRESS CGC / DAM: CH MAR-K'S POSH SPICE

PRESIDENT'S REPORT



WON'T YOU VOLUNTEER?

This is a quote I love with regard to volunteering – “Volunteers do not necessarily have the time; they just have the heart.”

Needless to say in an all-volunteer organization like the American Spaniel Club and the American Spaniel Club Foundation, volunteers make a vital difference because neither organization would exist without dedicated volunteers. Simply stated — volunteers are essential for the health and well-being of both and ultimately our beloved flushing spaniels.

Studies show that there are six main reasons people volunteer: to make a difference in others' lives; to support an organization or cause; to learn something new; to develop personally or professionally; to feel better about themselves; and to meet people. In other words, volunteering is personal. Advertisements that simply state an organization needs volunteers are not generally successful and I know ASC and ASCF have both found that to be true. However, just think if you could make a difference, support a cause you love (cocker spaniels and the other flushing breeds), feel good in accomplishing an important goal, and meet other people who also love spaniels, wouldn't you want to volunteer?

As the ASC Board announced at the National Specialty in July, ASC has embarked on a strategic plan to make ASC stronger and more relevant in today's world of pure bred dogs. There are many areas in which ASC needs help – ASC communications, including a new breed magazine, social media, the new website, breeders education, judges education and public education; membership development and events; marketing; branding; national conformation and performance events; and field events. To accomplish this strategic plan a wide variety of volunteers are needed.

I know ASC has an amazingly talented membership with diverse experiences and expertise that can help ASC accomplish its strategic goals. Accordingly, ASC would like to be sure it knows about your expertise and interests. In ASC's Annual Mailing, which everyone should have received by now, and on the ASC website and by survey monkey, there is a Volunteer Interest Form. PLEASE fill out the form and return it to either Dee Torgerson Rismyhr or Laurie Foley. From the Annual Mailing, Laurie has already received a number of completed forms. Thank you to those members for your immediate response, but we need a response from everyone!

To give one's time and talent for a good cause is a special feeling. And to see what a group like ASC's membership can accomplish will be amazing. WON'T YOU HELP? WON'T YOU VOLUNTEER?

Linda Moore
ASC President

5 WAYS TO SHOW YOUR DOG HOW MUCH YOU APPRECIATE HIM

Why not take some time to recognize the unique bond we share with our canine companions? Here are five ways to celebrate pup:

1. Commit to spending an extra hour with your dog every day this week.

They're not called “man's best friend” for nothing. What dogs want more than anything is YOU. Make sure to make time to spend doing the things BFFs do, like playing games, practicing a new trick, or just hanging out together on the couch.

2. Look into classes that will keep his mind and body active.

A well-trained and tired dog is a happy dog. AKC offers an abundance of activities for dogs (yes, even mixed-breeds) and owners to enjoy together. Whether it's training for a Canine Good Citizen test or learning a new obstacle in agility, you can find an activity that lets your dog use his natural talents.

3. Throw a dog party.

Hey, why not? Dogs love social interaction as much as humans do. Arrange a small get-together in an enclosed area with your pet's best buddies. Decorations and a homemade dog cake are optional.

4. Volunteer your time with a local club, rescue, or other organization that helps dogs.

Maybe you've lost your four-legged friend recently or maybe you want to sacrifice a day of celebrations with your own dog to help other animals in need. Offering a helping hand is a simple way to say “thank you” to the unconditional love our canine companions offer us.

5. And there's always good old swag.

Don't have time to plan anything special? Your dog is not gonna complain if you surprise him with a new treat or fresh, soft blanket instead. Or you can splurge by getting him an entire basket of goodies—after all, Christmas comes but once a year.

Angel

MULTI BISS & GROUP PLACING
GCH IzzyBee TraySan Breath of Heaven



Angel, in limited showing, is pictured winning her second BISS under breeder/judge Sandra Lex... thank you judge Lex for this thrilling honor!

Judge Dr. Gerard Penta gave Angel her first BISS and is pictured here awarding her one of her multiple group placements! Special thanks to Dr. Penta for recognizing Angel's outstanding qualities.



CH TLC's Wildfire x CH IzzyBee It's a Wonderful Life

Our sincere appreciation to ALL of the judges for their recognition of Angel and to Laura Heidrich for presenting her with beauty and grace. We are looking forward to her future both in the ring and the whelping box!

Breeders/Owners

Michelle D. Shealy, Mary M. Walker & Tracy D. Greene

SECRETARY'S NOTES

KATHY PATTERSON

This is the last issue of the Bulletin for 2015. Thank you for all your support during the year. We hope to continue to make the Bulletin better and better in the coming year.

There has been a good response to the volunteer interest survey. If you expressed an interest in volunteering, you will be contacted shortly to get you involved. Thanks to all who responded

BOARD ELECTION

No additional nominations were received by the deadline so the three nominees presented by the National Nominating Committee will be elected at the Annual Meeting. Congratulations to new Board member Mariecel Torres Young and continuing directors, David Donaldson and Per Rismyhr.

ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual Meeting will again be held in conjunction with the January Flushing Spaniel Show in Knoxville, TN. The agenda for that meeting is on page 11.

JANUARY SCHEDULE:

Note: this year, the show is on the lower level of the Holiday Inn. Schedule below:

Thursday, 12 January 2015:

Board meeting, move-in afternoon (time to be announced)

Friday, 13 January 2015:

Cocker Spaniel Futurity, educational seminars and Specialty Show for English Cockers, Sweepstakes for Clumber Spaniels, English Cockers, English Springer Spaniels, Field Spaniels, Sussex Spaniels, Welsh Springer Spaniels

Saturday, 14 January 2015:

Breed judging; obedience and rally trials, annual meeting and reception

Sunday, 15 January 2015:

Completion of breed judging, Junior Showmanship, and Best in Show judging, Obedience and Rally trials.

Monday, 16 January 2015:

Complete move-out by 10:00 AM

Something different this year is that there are two obedience trials and two rally trials on Saturday and Sunday.

The January Board meeting will be in a meeting room on the same level of the Holiday Inn as the show site. The Board meeting begins at 9:00 AM Thursday morning. All members are invited to attend and see how your club is managed.

EDUCATIONAL SEMINAR

This year's educational seminar on Friday, January 13, 2017, is an in-depth comparison of flushing spaniels presented by Doug Johnson. Pre-registration is required.

For additional information or to make a reservation, contact:

**Nancy J. Gallant at nancyjgallant@aol.com
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JULY 2017 WILDWOOD HOTEL CONTRACT

The Wildwood Hotel and Purina Farms have met and established a set of policies for ALL "dog groups" who use their hotel. Here are some key elements:

- The cut-off date is strictly enforced. Once this date arrives, any rooms remaining in our block are taken back by the hotel and sold at the prevailing rate.
- ALL reservations now require a deposit of \$125.00 is payable at the time of booking. The funds are applied to your guest-room folio up on check-in. Upon making a reservation, the deposit is immediately non-refundable.

The Wildwood will allow up to 4 dogs per room. There is a one-time per stay pet fee of \$25 for 1 or 2 dogs and \$60 for 3 or 4 dogs.

It appears the Travelodge is unavailable for our dates. There are nearby two hotels many of you have used, Quality and Comfort, at the Pacific, MO, exit. Additional hotels will be listed in the premium list.

Best wishes for a Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah, or Joyous Kwanzaa and I hope to see you in Knoxville at the Annual Flushing Spaniel Show.

NEW ASC FOREIGN LIAISON

Hello, my name is Karin Linde Klerholm, and I am the newly appointed Chair of the ASC Foreign Liaison Committee. My main mission will be to grow the international interest and membership of the ASC, both by individual foreign members as well as foreign Breed Clubs.

The international membership of ASC is currently only 55 members. Canada accounts for 34 of these, meaning that in the entire rest of the world there are 21 members. So far, only one foreign breed club has applied for membership within the ASC, the breed club from Finland.

The ASC needs to get more proactive in involving these actual foreign members and potential future foreign members in the club activities, such as the very important breed specific health research being done by the ASC. A mutual exchange of knowledge across the world would be the ultimate benefit for all!

The newly adopted ASC Strategic Plan, that was presented at the Town Hall meeting at the Summer National on St. Louis, lays out the following action plan that I will be working with:

- Meet & Greet foreign visitors at ASC shows
- Facilitate contacts between foreign visitors and the ASC leadership and other members
- Create a benefits statement and e-brochure targeted at international members
- Contact international breed clubs and reputable breeders to promote the work and benefits of ASC
- Revise the application form for international Specialty Breed Clubs to make it streamlined and attractive
- Consider affiliation with other prestigious international shows and events
- Add non-regular classes at ASC shows, such as “Best Foreign Bred”

This plan should be reviewed and enhanced where necessary to achieve the increase of interest in the ASC globally.

If you have any international breeder/fancier/club contacts that would be interested in joining the ASC, please let me know and I will try to facilitate the process. So far this year, we have received five new individual member applications from abroad, which is very positive. Let’s keep this momentum up and double those numbers!

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DYLAN



We are very excited about our new boy! Shown here winning his second Best In Sweeps from the 6-9 class.

Thank you to James Davis for this great win at the CSC of Jacksonville.

His first Sweepstakes was at the CSC of Kentucky under Laura Heidrich.

Sire: GCh. Windsor 18K Rolls Royce CGC
X GCh. Loma Point 18K Tequila Sunrise



Bred by Linda Donaldson & Lane Tarantino

Ch. Dalin's West Coast Connection



Finishing with all majors from the 6-9 class, we decided to move him up at the CSC of Jacksonville. Not only was he a good boy, but he was a really Good Boy! He won the Variety over 6 Specials under Breeder Judge Diane Kepley.

Owned by: Linda & David Donaldson /Dalin Cocker Spaniels

ad by Eilene White

The 2017 Flushing Spaniel Show

— JANE T. WILLIAMS, SHOW CHAIR

The time is drawing near for the 2017 Flushing Spaniel Show; regularly check the ASC Website for updates.

Because the “Inn is Full”, we are working on getting additional hotel rooms in easy walking distance of the show site as well as more economical rooms within easy driving distance. If anyone has a room at the Holiday Inn to be cancelled, please let me know. I am keeping a list of people wanting to stay there if a room becomes available. If you made a reservation outside the ASC block, let me know so that I get your room counted towards our room nights.

Because an eye clinic will be held on Friday, 13 January 2017, unentered dogs participating in the clinic will be permitted. If you are staying overnight, please include those dogs in your number of dogs on the grooming space reservation.

Exhibitors are reminded to bring plastic and shavings for your grooming area. The facility does not permit food or beverages to be brought into the exhibition center, especially no alcohol. Please cooperate with the policies.

Some of the Purina Sponsor Seats are still available; these seats are comfortable high-back leather chairs that come with lots of goodies. The cost per seat is \$250; please contact me or Marlene Ness to purchase a seat. Sponsors will also be recognized in the show catalog.

The FAB bakery will again have baked goods for sale to raise funds for Eye Support Cockers. We will have a raffle/auction table at the show. One suggestion is to have regional theme baskets. I am bringing a basket filled with Tennessee liquor. Someone from New England is bringing a Stonewall basket. If anyone brings alcohol for the raffle, please shrink wrap it and see me for an approved sticker.

The Annual Meeting and ASC Reception will be held Saturday evening; plan to attend.

The Premium List will have forms for catalog advertising, grooming space reservations, seat reservations, and eye clinic registration. Forms are to be submitted with payment in US funds made payable to ASC.

If you have time to volunteer to assist with the show, there are opportunities for you – stewarding, catalog table, and raffle table.

If you have any questions, you are welcome to contact me; I will be in Tennessee the entire month of December and until I come to Knoxville.

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NOTICE

136th Annual Meeting on Saturday, January 14, 2017

TO ALL MEMBERS:

Please note that the Board of Directors of the Club has designated SATURDAY, JANUARY 14, 2017, at the Holiday Inn Worlds Fair Park, Knoxville, TN, (after Judging) for the Annual Meeting of the Club for the transaction of business and the election of officers and directors in accordance with the By-Laws, Article II, Section 1. (The specific place & time will be announced.)

1. Call to Order. The President, Linda Moore, Presiding.
2. Count of members and authorized representatives for member Specialty clubs.
3. Reading of the minutes of the 2016 Annual Meeting.
4. Corrections if any to Minutes.
5. Report of the President, Ms. Moore.
6. Report of the Secretary, Ms. Patterson.
7. Report of the Treasurer, Ms. Williams.
8. Zone Director Reports covering the year 2016:
 - Zone I: Mrs. Pike
 - Zone II: Mrs. Bennett
 - Zone III: Mrs. Buell
 - Zone IV: Dr. Keough
 - Zone V: Mrs. Shaw
9. Standing Committee Chairs Reports covering the year 2016:

AKC Gazette Columnist	Ms. Tukuia, Esq.
ASC Archivist/ASC Curator	Mrs. Parker
ASC Health Registry	Mrs. Shanks
ASC Website Coordinator	Mr. Fehring
Cocker Spaniel Breeder Referral	Mrs. Frye
Cocker Spaniel Standard	Mrs. Campbell
Education-Judges Education	Mrs. Gallant
Field	Mrs. Dahlk
Finance	Mr. Stallard
Foreign Liaison	Mrs. Klerholm
Insurance	Mr. Steffen
January 2017 Show Chair	Mrs. J. Williams
January 2017 Futurity Chair	Mrs. Knight
July 2017 Show Chair	Mrs. Napper
Legal	Ms. Moore
Performance - Agility	Ms. Hudson
Performance – Companion	Dr. Keough
Therapy Dog Program	Mrs. Nelson
Top Dog	Dr. Grim
Versatility Award Plaques	Dr. Grim
10. Unfinished Business
11. New Business.
 - A) Presentation of Awards.
 - B) Recognition of New Life Members.
12. Adjournment.

Rules of Procedure for the Annual Meeting

1. Reports are to be made from the podium of the Presiding Officer, and reporting member facing the audience.
2. Members seeking and gaining recognition from the Chair, will state their name, advance to the podium and face the audience.
3. Debaters must address the Chair.
4. Questions must be asked through the Chair and not put directly to debating members.

Included in the December 2016 Bulletin
Kathleen L. Patterson, Secretary

SAFEGUARDING A BREED'S CONFORMATION

The 3 R's – always keep them in mind, they are easy to remember:

- Read
- Reflect
- Respect

Everybody who is seriously involved in a breed has to do homework in order to safeguard the conformation of the breed.

This applies to all breeders, owner exhibitors, professional handlers and judges alike.

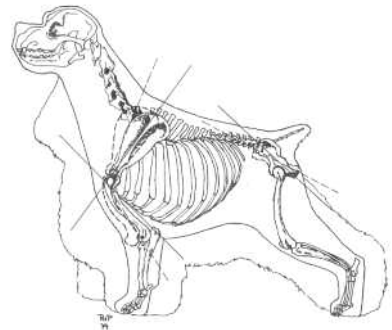
READ

How often do you read the standard of your breed?

I, myself, am often surprised when asking this question to breeders that are involved in a breed. They usually reply that they do not read the standard that very often - not even once a year!

The standard is the guide to the betterment of the breed's conformation, with very little space for "free interpretation". I often hear breeders say, - But I think..... Well folks, thinking is not the fact or standard.

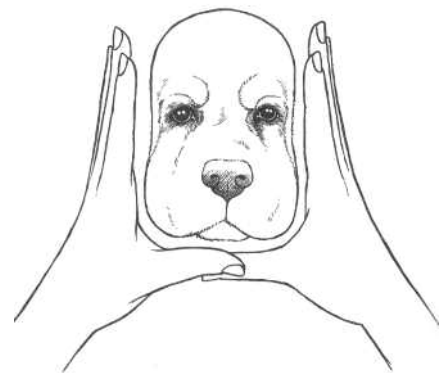
When you read the standard you might be surprised to find that the wording is not what you think it is! That is why you need to read the standard more than once in a blue moon, in order to be able to put it into practice.



REFLECT

Every time I read the standard of my own breed I find new wordings in there that I haven't thought of, or "seen" before. I then stop and reflect and maybe even reevaluate what is being said in the standard, before the next time I am making a breeding, showing my own dogs or having the privilege to judge other breeder's dogs.

It is impossible to learn a complete standard by heart, word by word, unless you have a photographic memory. That is why it is so important to read and reflect over the standard, over and over again. This gives you the strength to move on in a breed through breeding, showing or judging to a higher standard, not just to what you think is true. If you do not reflect, you will never understand the true essence of the breed.



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Scottfree Cockers Presents Our Rising Star

GCH Silverhall Salem Witch



Pictured here going **Best of Opposite Sex to Best of Breed** at the Cocker Spaniel Club of Southern New Jersey under respected cocker judge Ms. Olga K. Evelyn. With limited showing, she always holds her own in the show ring. As always, presented by Wilson and Bonnie Pike.

Salem will be bred to
**CH Riverwood Rendevous at Silverhall
(Captain) B/T**, multiple specialty sweeps
and specialty winner, in the near future.

Serious show inquiries invited.

SOME OF HER WINS FOR 2016:

- Jan 2016 American Spaniel Club -
Winner Bitch, Judge Ed Piner
- Cocker Spaniel Club of Rhode Island -
Best Opposite Sex to Breed, Judge Elaine J. Lessig
- Meadowbrook Cocker Spaniel Club -
Best Opposite Sex to Best of Breed, Judge Clyde Shaw
- Meadowbrook Cocker Spaniel Club -
Best Opposite Sex to Variety, Judge Barbara Shaw
- Connecticut Westchester Cocker Spaniel Club -
Best Opposite to Variety, Judge M. Clark
- New England Breeders Club -
Best Opposite to Variety, Judge Marilyn Spacht
- American Cocker Spaniel Club, Summer National -
Best Opposite to Best of Variety, Judge Billie Hayes

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RESPECT

It is vital to have respect for what other breeders who have come before you, have accomplished in the breed.

You don't know where you are going unless you know where or what your dogs have come from!

Seek out that knowledge by "picking the brains" of the old time breeders/exhibitors/professional handlers and judges. You learn a lot by asking serious questions, and you will get equally serious answers back.

Listen to those that have really accomplished something within the breed generation after generation. Do not listen to everybody else that may throw their advice at you.

There is no need to "reinvent the wheel" all over again, respect the knowledge of the "old-timers" who have worked with the breed for a longer time than you have, i.e. more than 20 years. Maybe you do not understand their viewpoint to begin with, but it will eventually become clearer with time. Keep asking for explanations on why and how a dog moves like it does, how the eye shape may change the expression from good to bad and what that oh, so illusive "true breed type", means.

Sometimes we need to avoid the "sugar coating" when we discuss our own dogs and see it "as it is". No dog is perfect and there is not a single breeder out there who makes all the right decisions. By being critical of your own dogs and choices, with the support of the standard, you will go so much further than many others!



Respect the written standard when you breed, exhibit and judge, don't make your own standard.



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RBIS, MBISS GCHG Conquest's This Is It!

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BISS GCHB Conquest's This Moment I Own It!

Dominic – A top 5 parti for 2016.
Owned by Mariecel Torres-Young.



CH Conquest's Perfect Storm

Jackson – Owned by Rhonda Mink.

Sired By CH Saratoga-N-Bluemoon's Footnote CD CGC BN RN



CH Conquest's Ray of Hope

Hope – Owned by Mariecel Torres-Young, BOV over specials under Greg Anderson from the puppy classes, BOV ASCOB at ASC National 2016 Bred By Sweeps.



CH Conquest-N-Saratoga I Saw The Light

Hank – A multiple Best in Sweeps winner owned and shown through his championship by Joan and Tony Stallard.



CH Conquest's Wanna Be Startin' Somethin

Owned by Jean DeWolfe and Devon Rockwell.



CH Conquest's Maze Runner

Thomas – BOV winner on his first day out as a special under Judge Michael Faulkner, Best In Sweeps, Best Bred By, Best of Owner Handled Breed under Kathy Egland-Brock at the June 2016 Fort Vancouver CSC show. Owned by Mariecel Torres-Young.

THE PERFECT DOG: THE COCKER SPANIEL

by Debra Lampert-Rudman, Topaz Cockers

Most of us who own Cocker Spaniels have probably had people ask us what breed we have – whether at a “Meet the Breeds” event, on a walk, therapy visit, or at a dog show – Cockers aren’t always easily recognized.

When you smile and respond that you have a Cocker Spaniel, the reactions range from “Oh, yes, my Mother (Grandmother) had one” or “Oh, I didn’t know they were that color” or “Oh, I grew up with one but that was a long time ago.”

Actually, it wasn’t such a long time ago that the general public knew exactly what a Cocker Spaniel looked like – and nearly everyone owned one, knew someone who owned one or wished they owned one – and the purebred dog, in general, was king.

Cocker Spaniels are the 31st most popular breed in the AKC standings right now, but stories of the 15 years, from 1938-1953, when Cocker Spaniels led the American Kennel Club registrations at number one, are legendary.

One would think that Cockers, the smallest members of the Sporting Group and known for being “merry, gentle, and smart” should still be high up on the list of family friendly pet options for the 21st century.

With discussions occurring among Cocker Spaniel Fanciers and ASC membership about potential changes to our current Cocker Spaniel standard, I began wondering what makes the Cocker Spaniel of today so different from its exceptionally popular 1950’s brother?

What I found really amazed me.

In fact, in the 1950’s, the Cocker Spaniel wasn’t just considered a great pet, it was considered a great example of the dog, in general.

In his creation of the “Anatomy of the Dog” educational series for *POPULAR DOGS* magazine, of all the dogs in the world, Robert F. Way, V.M.D., M.S. in 1953 chose the Cocker Spaniel as the “perfect” specimen to illustrate.



Chart 1 of 5 ANATOMY OF THE DOG by Robert F. Way, F.M.D., M.S. (1953) ILLUSTRATED BY POPULAR DOGS

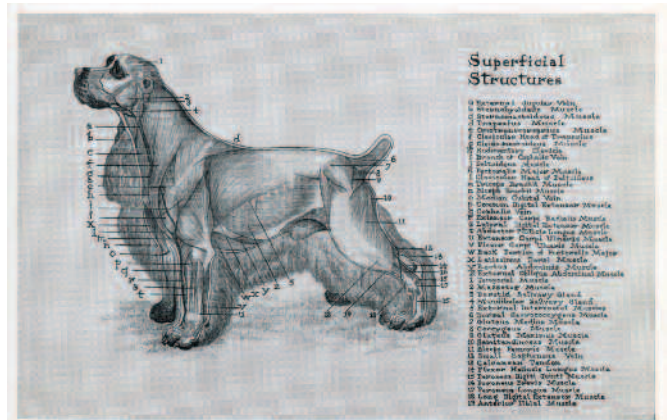


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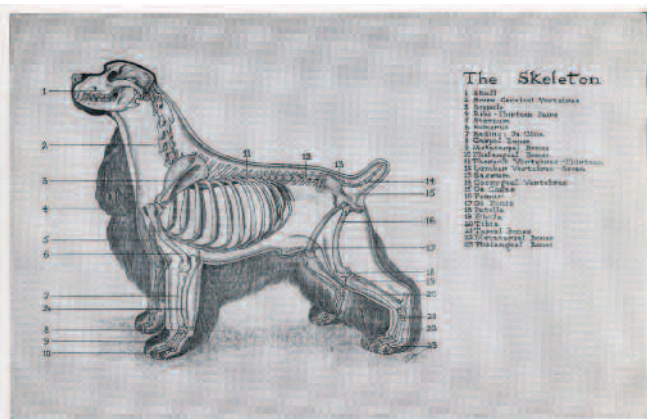


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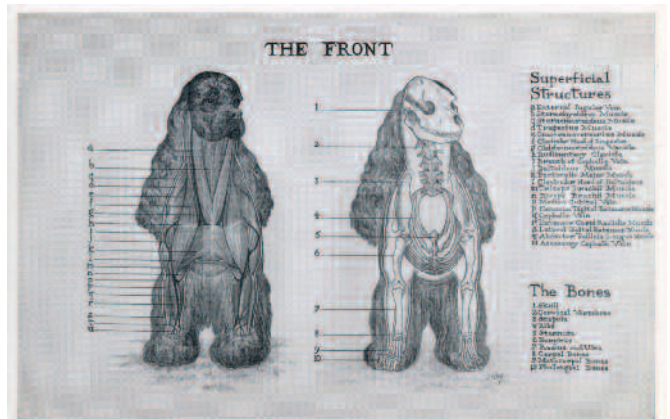
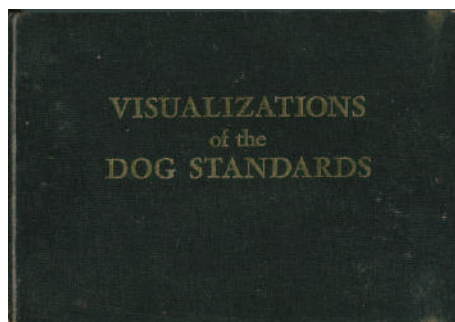
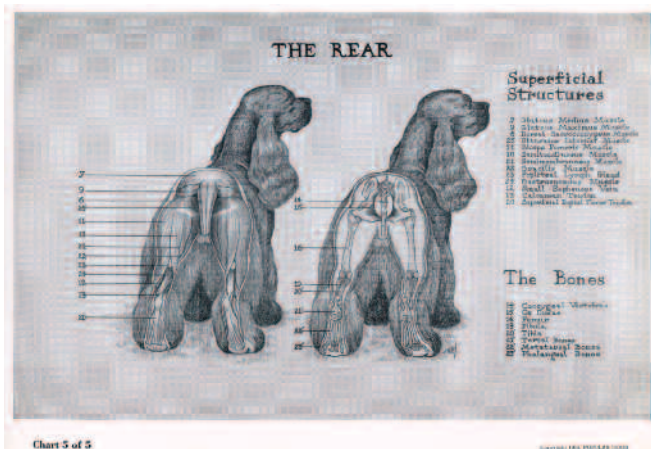


Chart 4 of 5 (1953) ILLUSTRATED BY POPULAR DOGS



In looking at Dr. Way's illustrations of the 1953 Cocker Spaniel, I was impressed not only by how robust, powerful, and beautiful this dog was, but also how natural it appeared. Yes, there was full feathering, and a beautiful flat back coat and trimmed face, neck and tail, but it all seemed minimal and more a neatening-up than a full-on grooming. This dog looks like one an average pet owner could easily manage grooming and caring for and probably enjoy hours of fun and activities together.

In doing further research, I discovered a fabulous thick book with a dusty, dark black hardcover: *VISUALIZATIONS OF THE DOG STANDARDS*, created by *POPULAR DOGS* (Interestingly, *POPULAR DOGS* was published and founded by George F. Foley, at the time a dog show superintendent for more than 60 years and named "Dog Man of the Half Century" in 1950. He founded *POPULAR DOGS* in 1928 and his company still exists and is now known as MB-F.)

VISUALIZATIONS was considered an important textbook at the time for those truly interested in learning about breeding and showing, and was particularly promoted to newcomers to the world of purebred dogs. In fact, one of the chapters states that the "each written 'standard' describes the ideal of each breed; the specifications are imaginary 'blueprints'... "Standards for purebred dogs should be so clearly written that they leave little doubt as to intent - what is desired

Spaniel, Cocker

SKULL—Well developed and rounded with no tendency toward flatness, or pronounced roundness, of the crown (dome). The forehead smooth, the eyebrows and stop clearly defined, the median line distinctly marked and gradually disappearing until lost rather more than halfway up to the crown. The bony structure surrounding the socket of the eye should be well chiseled; there should be no suggestion of fullness under the eyes or prominence in the cheeks which, like the sides of the muzzle, should present a smooth, clean-cut appearance. **Muzzle and Teeth**—To attain a well-proportioned head, which above all should be in balance with the rest of the dog, the distance from the tip of the nose to the stop, at a line drawn across the top of the muzzle between the front corners of the eyes, should approximate one-half the distance from the stop at this point over the crown to the base of the skull. The muzzle should be broad and deep, with square, even jaws. The upper lip should be of sufficient depth to cover the lower jaw, presenting a square appearance. The teeth should be sound and regular and set at right angles to their respective jaws. The relation of the upper teeth to the lower should be that of scissors, with the inner surface of the upper in contact with the outer surface of the lower when the jaws are closed. The nose of sufficient size to balance the muzzle and foreface, with well-developed nostrils, and black in color in the blacks and black and tans; in the reds, buffis, livers, and parti-colors, and in the roans it may be black or brown, the darker coloring being preferable.

EYES—The eyeballs should be round and full and set in the surrounding tissue to look directly forward and give the eye a slightly almond-shaped appearance. The eye should be neither weak nor goggled. The expression should be intelligent, alert, soft and appealing. The color of the iris should be dark brown to black in the blacks, black and tans, buffis and creams, and in the darker shades of the parti-colors and roans. In the reds, dark hazel; in the livers, parti-colors, and roans of the lighter shades, not lighter than hazel, the darker the better. **Ears**—Lobular, set on a line no higher than the lower part of the eye, the leather fine and extending to the nostrils, well clothed with long, silky, straight or wavy hair.

NECK AND SHOULDERS—The neck sufficiently long to allow the nose to reach the ground easily, muscular and free from pendulous "throatsmen." It should rise gently from the shoulders and arch slightly as it tapers to join the head. The shoulders deep, clean-cut and sloping without protrusion and so set that the upper points of the withers are at an angle which permits a wide spring of rib.

BODY—Its height at the withers should approximate the length from the withers to the set-on of tail. The chest deep, its lowest point no higher than the elbows, its front sufficiently wide for adequate heart and lung space, yet not so wide as to interfere with straightforward movement of the forelegs. Ribs deep and well-sprung throughout. Body short in the couplings and flank, with its depth at the flank somewhat less than at the last rib. Back strong and sloping evenly and slightly downward from the withers to the set-on of tail. Hips wide with quarters well-rounded and muscular. The body should appear short, compact and firmly knit together, giving the impression of strength. **Legs and Feet**—Forelegs, straight, strongly boned and muscular, and set close to the body well under the scapulae. The elbows well let down and turning neither in nor out. The pasterns short and strong. The hind legs strongly boned and muscled

EYES round, full, almond-shaped appearance; black or dark brown for Blacks, B/Ts, Light Ascobs, dark Partis and Roans; dark hazel for Reds, Livers, Partis and light Roans—hazel, dark color preferred.

STOP, eyebrows clearly defined; medium line distinct halfway to crown.

NOSE size to balance muzzle, foreface; black for Blacks, B/Ts; black or brown for other varieties; dark color preferred; well-developed nostrils.

MUZZLE broad, deep; jaws square, even; distance from tip of nose to stop approx. one-half from stop to base of skull; upper lip should cover lower jaw.

CHEEKS smooth, clean-cut; no fullness under eyes.

CHEST deep, lowest point no higher than elbows; not so wide as to interfere with movement.

FORELEGS straight, muscular; strongly boned; set close to body under shoulder blades.

FEET compact, turning neither in nor out, round, firm; pads thick, strong, horny.

COAT short, fine on head; on body, fine, slightly wavy, silky, medium length; feathering not too excessive.

DISQUALIFICATIONS: Blacks and Ascobs—white markings except on chest, throat. Parti-colors—50% or more of primary color; secondary color or colors limited solely to one location. B/Ts—Tan markings in excess of 10%; total absence of tan markings in any specified locations; white markings except on chest, throat. Height—males over 15½", females over 14½".

TEETH sound, scissors bite.

SKULL well-developed, somewhat rounded; no tendency toward flatness; forehead smooth; bone surrounding eye socket well-chiseled.

EARS lobular, set on a line no higher than lower part of eye, leather fine, should reach nostrils.

NECK long enough for nose to reach ground easily; muscular; not throaty; slight arch.

SHOULDERS deep, clean-cut, sloping without protrusion.

BACK strong, sloping evenly from withers.

TAIL set on line with topline.

HIPS wide; quarters well-rounded, muscular.

HIND LEGS strongly boned; muscular; shins well-turned; powerful thighs.

HOCKES strong, well-let-down, turning neither in nor out.

HEIGHT at withers should approx. length from withers to set-on of tail; maximum for dogs 15½" at withers; max. for bitches, 14½".

COLORES—Blacks (let, shading or white on chest possible); Solid Colors Other Than Black (let sound shades); Parti-colors; two or more definite colors, markings clear; primary color not 50% or more; Roans classed as Parti-colors; Black and Tans classed as Ascobs (tan restricted to 10% or less; markings of tan preferred; over eyes, muzzle, cheeks, under ears, on feet and legs, under tail).

BLACK COCKER SPANIEL standard visualization, modeled by CH. PINEFAIR PASSWORD

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The Perfect Dog... (continued)

with well-turned stifles and powerful, clearly defined thighs. The hocks strong, well let down and parallel when in motion and at rest. Feet compact, not spreading, round and firm, with deep, strong, horny pads and hair between the toes; they should turn neither in nor out. **Tail**—Set on and carried on a line with the topline of the back and when the dog is at work, its action should be incessant.

COAT—On head, short and fine. On body, flat or slightly wavy (never curly), silky in texture, of medium length, with enough undercoating to give protection. The ears, chest, abdomen, and posterior sides of the legs should be well feathered, but not so excessively as to hide the Cocker Spaniel's true lines and movement or affect his appearance and function as a sporting dog. Excessive coat or feathering shall be penalized. **Color and Markings**—Blacks should be jet black; shadings of brown or liver in the sheen of the coat shall not disqualify; but shall be penalized. A small amount of white on the chest and throat shall not disqualify, but shall be penalized; however, white in any other location shall disqualify.

Solid Colors Other Than Black should be of a sound shade. Lighter coloring of the feathering, while not favored, shall not disqualify, but shall be penalized; however, white in any other location shall disqualify.

In Parti-Colors, at least two definite colors appearing in clearly defined markings, distinctively distributed over the body, are es-

sential. Primary color which is ninety (90%) per cent or more of the specimen, shall disqualify; secondary color or colors which are limited solely to one location shall disqualify. Roans are classified as Parti-Colors and may be of the accepted roaning patterns of mottled appearance or alternating colors of the hairs throughout the whole coat.

Black and Tan, shown under the Variety of Any Solid Color Other Than Black, should have definite tan markings on a jet black body, with clearly defined lines between the two colors. The tan markings should be distinct and plainly visible, and the shade of the tan markings may be from the lightest cream to the darkest red color. The quantity and location of the tan markings are the essence of this description. The amount of tan markings is restricted to ten (10%) per cent or less of the color of the specimen; tan markings in excess of ten (10%) per cent shall disqualify. A mere semblance of tan markings at the specified locations shall not disqualify, but shall be severely penalized; the total absence of tan markings at any of the specified locations, shall disqualify. The marking should be located as follows:

(1) A clear spot over each eye. (2) On the sides of the muzzle, and on the cheeks. (3) On the undersides of the ears. (4) On all feet and legs. (5) Under the tail.

Tan on the muzzle which extends up and over and joins, or tan on the cheeks which is solid, or tan on the feet which does not extend upward towards the knees and hock joints,

paraphrasing wouldn't do it justice. I also hope it may be of some use for those entrusted with working on potential changes to our Cocker Spaniel Standard.

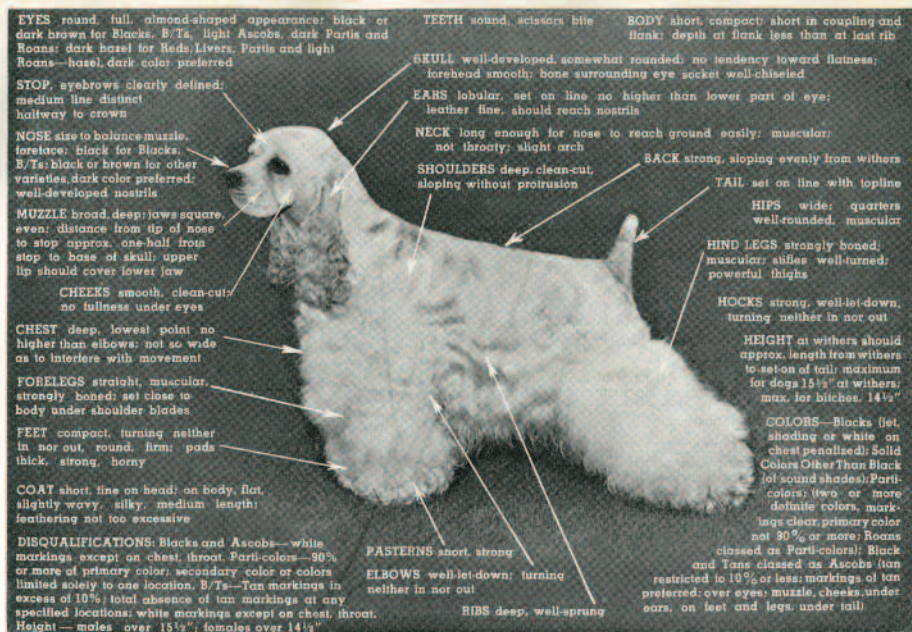
Notice that there is a Scale of Points, and the highest numbers of points (15 each) go to "Neck and Shoulders" and "Body", followed by "Action" (12 points) and "Muzzle" (10 points) then "Legs" (9 points) Those five areas are very much related to the Cocker Spaniel's function in the field and in the elaborate description of the "Skull" (8 points) descriptions of proportion, angles, and balance leap from the page.

In the 1950's, the Cocker Spaniel would certainly have been working in the field with the hunter, but probably no more commonly in America than it does today. Yet, the functionality and serviceability was paramount and the public was apparently drawn to it.

I think the "General Description" actually expresses the functional traits best: "Embodying the foregoing we have a serviceable-looking dog with a refinedly chiseled head; standing on straight legs and well up at the shoulders; of compact body and wide, muscular quarters. The Cocker Spaniel's sturdy body, powerful quarters, and strong, well-boned legs show him to be a dog capable of considerable speed combined with great endurance. Above all he must be free and merry, sound, well balanced throughout and in action show a keen inclination to work; equable in temperament with no suggestion of timidity."

Quite a few of those words and phrases are still found in our present Standard, however, the "serviceable-looking" phrase, along with "wide, muscular quarters" are no longer included.

The "ears, chest, abdomen, and posterior sides of the legs should be well feathered, but not so excessively as to hide the Cocker Spaniel's true lines and movement or affect his appearance and function as a



ASCORB COCKER SPANIEL standard visualization, modeled by CH. BENFIELD'S CHAMPAGNE SNOWCAP

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able and what is undesirable. Some standards, written many years ago, are still unchanged; they were clear and concise. Most changes made today are to improve clarity, and changes should be made only after much consideration."

The 1968 edition I found featured the 1957 Standard with illustrations of Ch. Pinefair Password for the Black variety, Ch. Benfield's Champagne Snowcap for the ASCOB, and for the Parti - Ch. Scioto Bluff's Sinbad. I was very excited to see these dogs since I had seen their names in pedigrees and heard of them over my 25 years in Cockers.

I've scanned the six pages dedicated to our breed, including the standard and illustrations, here because I found it such captivating reading and thought that

sporting dog. Excessive coat or feathering shall be penalized.” In our present standard, the wording may seem similar, but the implication definitely appears to favor a greater amount of coat:

The ears, chest, abdomen and legs are well feathered, but not so excessively as to hide the Cocker Spaniel’s true lines and movement or affect his appearance and function as a moderately coated sporting dog.

Note, the present Standard says “legs” not “posterior sides of the legs” in which the earlier standard allowed for less fur underneath the working/moving dog. Semantics plays heavily in the language of Standards.

I recently spoke with a dog trainer, who specializes in behavioral training, mostly works with pet owners but also shows dogs (not Cockers), ask me what a “keen inclination to work” means. She said that the wording was very confusing to her as a trainer because when she worked with Cocker Spaniel pet owners she said many had read that and thought it meant their dogs were going to be super easy to train; as if they came pre-programmed from the breeder. I told her I thought that was silly – no one could possibly think that way – or could they?

Words – Standards – and their Meanings are open to interpretations by the experiences and interests of the readers. The earlier standard included the words “show a keen inclination to work; equable in temperament with no suggestion of timidity” thereby explaining one of the ways in which a Cocker would show inclination to work – merrily with attention to its owner and no suggestion of timidity. The placement of words can also make quite a bit of difference in meaning without clarification.

I’m wondering if a return to a “serviceable-looking” Cocker Spaniel would increase our breed’s popular-

shall not disqualify, but shall be penalized. Black hairs and penciling on the tan markings shall not be penalized, but tan markings which are “brindled” shall be penalized. A small amount of white on the chest and throat shall not disqualify, but shall be penalized. However, white in any other location shall disqualify.

HEIGHT—The ideal height at the withers for an adult dog should be 15 inches. The ideal height at the withers for an adult bitch should be 14 inches. The maximum height at the withers for a dog shall be 15½ inches and the maximum height at the withers for a bitch shall be 14½ inches. A dog or bitch whose height exceeds the maximum heights specified herein shall be disqualified. Note: Height is determined by a line perpendicular to the ground from the top of the shoulder blades, the dog standing naturally with its forelegs and the lower legs parallel to the line of measurement.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION—Embodying the foregoing we have a serviceable-looking dog with a refinedly chiseled head; standing on straight legs and well up at the shoulders; of compact body and wide, muscular quarters. The Cocker Spaniel’s sturdy body, powerful quarters and strong, well-boned legs show him to be a dog capable of considerable speed combined with great endurance. Above all he must

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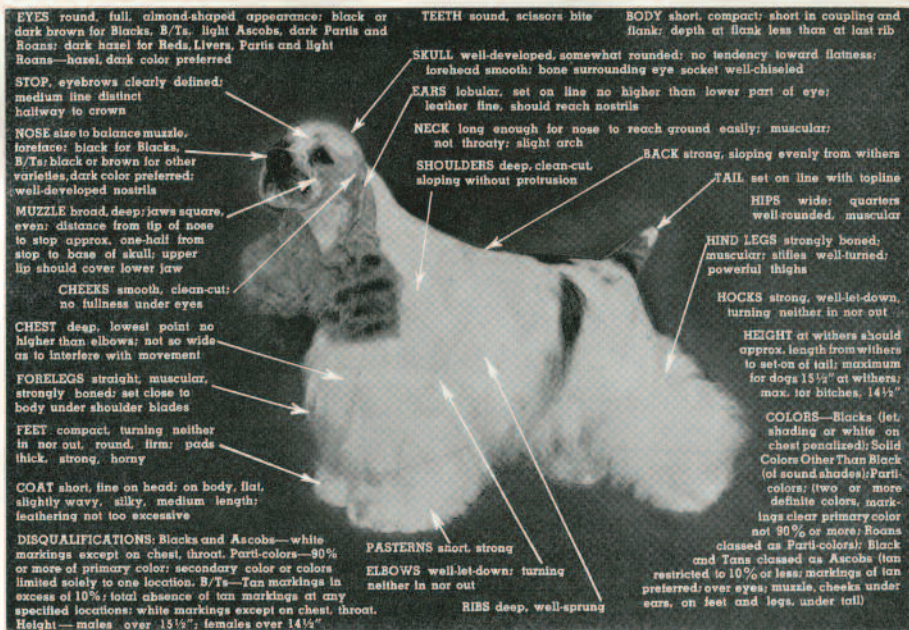
SCALE OF POINTS

Skull	8	Feet	6
Muzzle	10	Stern	3
Teeth	4	Coat	6
Eyes	6	Color and	
Ears	3	Markings	3
Neck and Shldrs	15	Action	12
Body	15		
Legs	9	Total	100

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Approved December 10, 1957



PARTI COCKER SPANIEL standard visualization, modeled by CH. SCIOTO BLUFF’S SINBAD

ity to its 1950’s heyday numbers. Can you imagine a 21st century world with a Cocker Spaniel leading numbers at conformation shows, agility trials, field trials, hunt tests, tracking, rally and obedience trials, as therapy dogs, and in pet homes throughout the United States? Imagine, everyone wanting to own a purebred, healthy, beautiful, merry, and robust Cocker Spaniel?

Absolutely – we have the blueprints to create that type of dream dog and in a wide variety of colors, too. What breed could be more perfect? Dr. Way was 100% right!

About the Author:

Debra Lampert-Rudman is a Writer and Artist dedicated to dog art and endlessly inspired by her cocker spaniels. She recently breeder/owner/handled her first Champion after 25 years in Cockers and breeds under the Topaz Cockers prefix. She is also the author of The Golden Age of Dog Shows: Morris & Essex 1927-1957 and author/illustrator of the children’s book Iris the Architect featuring her Cocker Spaniels. Debra may be reached at debralampertrudman@gmail.com and www.debralampertrudman.com

Who Is On The Ballot?

JANUARY 2018

REGULAR CLASS NOMINEES

RICK BOWLING

First and foremost I would like to offer a heartfelt thank you to the membership for the nomination to judge at the ASC Flushing Spaniel Show for 2018. It would be the highest honor to be afforded the opportunity to judge ones own breed at one of the oldest dog shows in history.

I have been involved in the sport of dogs for most of my life. The Irish Setter was my first love and throughout my childhood and teen years I spent most of my free time training and working with my dogs in obedience. After I graduated from college I moved to Florida to pursue a career and to complete my post graduate work. I was “dogless” for almost two years and life just didn’t seem right. I wanted a smaller dog than an Irish as space and the heat in Florida was not conducive to having a large breed. Of course I wanted a sporting dog and the Cocker Spaniel seemed to be the perfect choice.

I as many dog people, started out with a pet quality black bitch, aka Kaila, and from there the journey began. I was “bit” by the dog show bug and it’s now been over 25 years since I began my fascination and love of our beautiful breed. In limited breeding, I’ve shown and finished many of my own dogs under the RIBO prefix and also have had the pleasure of finishing many more for others.

In 2005, I retired from active showing to begin a new journey; that of judging. I have thoroughly enjoyed this new venture and take very seriously my decisions when evaluating the future breeding stock of our breed.

I have been an ASC member since the early 90’s and have served as assistant show chairman for the ASC nationals held in Orlando FL. I have held numerous positions including, President, Show Secretary and Show Chairman for the Suncoast Cocker Spaniel Club.

Professionally, I’m a management consultant in the Tampa Bay area. When I’m not working or participating in dog related activities, I also enjoy training and working with our horses and maintain a small herd of purebred registered Nubian dairy show goats.

I am humbled by the nomination to be on the ballot. As a breeder/owner/handler it is the true honor to judge our

wonderful breed and look forward with anticipation to the opportunity.

Thank you for your consideration.

OLGA K. EVELYN

I have been a member of ASC since 1992; serving as Trophy, Futurity, Advertising and Agility and Performance chair over the years. My breeding program started in 1987 and ended in 2015 with the loss of Ch. Amunique’s Rhythm Nation, known to many as Janet. Ms. Jackson if you’re nasty. Over those years, my Black and Ascob champions numbered 27 in limited breedings under the registered kennel name, AMUNIQUE. My Cockers have garnered for my efforts Best in Specialty Show, Westminster Kennel Club, Eukanuba Invitational Top 25, and ASC class winners. Of the many wins, the most meaningful have been placements in ASC Futurity and Regular classes and finishing my Cockers from the bred by class. Working closely with my mentor, the late Barbara Steuert (Kimbar), I developed a sound, healthy breeding program, while keeping in mind her words, “Breed quality not quantity.” My dogs were not perfect but they represented what I wanted in the ring and my interpretation of the standard.

Since my breeding program has ended, my passion has been the Cocker College on Facebook. I am a firm believer that the Torch of Guardianship of the breed is now in the hands of my generation. It is my duty to share what I have learned for the Betterment of the Breed. I believe the Cocker College is serving that purpose. Along with the Cocker College, I am dedicated to the Cataract Research in Cockers project.

As a breeder/owner/handler/judge I have the same expectations from this sport as in my former competitive arenas. That is, to have fun. I love judging, and I try to make it fun for the exhibitors while enjoying the challenge of finding that beautiful specimen.

Thank you so much for your nomination.

SAM HOUSTON MCDONALD

I have been involved in purebred dogs most of my life. My family had Cocker Spaniels, which they hunted over,

and Border Collies and Australian Shepherds, which worked the stock on the farm. Later I acquired my first Irish Setter and now more than 49 years later, I continue to occasionally breed and exhibit them. I have bred numerous champions and owned several Group and Best in Show winners as well as field trial contenders. I have also owned Wirehaired Pointing Griffons, Beagles, Scottish Deerhounds, Wirehaired Dachshund, and Irish Wolfhounds.

I am a Past President of the Irish Setter Club of America, serving on the board for 25 years, a member of several All-Breed Clubs including Bryn Mawr Kennel Club where I serves as Show Chairman and President. I currently serve as Chairman of the Irish Setter Club of America Foundation, continuing to be involved in raising funds to support health research to improve the overall health of Irish Setters. I also serve as a board member for the Dog Judges Association of America.

I have authored a number of articles for a variety of publications including a five part series for the American Kennel Club Gazette discussing the entire Sporting Group on form as it relates to function. I have also been featured in articles dealing with my practices of breeding, showing and judging pure-bred dogs.

After working as a Speech Pathologist in the Fort Worth, Texas Public Schools I retired and moved to Chester Springs, Pennsylvania, where I currently reside at Eagle Farms continuing to raise my Irish Setters and Irish Wolfhounds.

Being asked to be placed on the ballot is an honor in itself and I thank you for your consideration in this matter.

CALVIN WARD

I sincerely appreciate the nomination from the membership to judge at the ASC Flushing Spaniel Show in January, 2018. There is no greater honor than this. My wife, Dale, and I have enjoyed the Cocker Spaniels that we have lived with since shortly after our marriage in 1966. We began showing the breed in 1972, and bred cockers under the Cottonwood prefix. I became licensed to judge cockers in 1985. No judging experience has been more exciting or rewarding to me than the times that I have been selected by the ASC membership to judge cocker spaniels at our January and July shows.

As a judge, I love the sporting dog attitude of our beautiful breed. As an owner of a cocker spaniel, I look forward to coming home from work every day to be greeted by the happily wagging tail of a fabulous companion. As a life member of the American Spaniel Club, I anticipate many more years of participation in club activities and attending shows around the country.

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FUTURITY NOMINEES

KAREN OSPER

I am honored and humbled by the support and trust that my peers have shown in me to nominate me to be on the ballot for the January 2018 Futurity.

My love and dedication to dogs started over 30 years ago with my family's beloved Golden Retriever, Tallon. From the moment she came into my life, all of my free time was dedicated to learning as much as I could about their care, training and grooming all while I worked on my skills as a handler.

Every week without fail my Mother would take me to handling classes where I learned from some of the best about the proper methods to show and care for my dog. As time passed and my skills and commitment to our growing canine family grew I became well versed in all the in's and out's of the dog show world.

It was during this time that I continued to expand my knowledge about the many different aspects of the sport: whether it was learning about obedience, field or conformation standards I pursued every avenue to learn as much as I could.

From there I became a professional handler and showed and cared for many different dogs for a wide variety of clients all the while enjoying the experiences I was afforded. For me, this was a very exciting time as I got to show for many different cocker breeders and travelled all over the US to do it.

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By the mid-2000's I switched gears and focused more on my business as a professional groomer and became a Mom to two wonderful boys. Dog shows became my passionate hobby and with motherhood upon me I became increasingly focused on my kennel and breeding the best Cocker Spaniels I could.

It was during this time that my dear friend and one of my mentors, Judy Koch, gave me Audrey -CH Still Pines Holiday Cheer as a gift. Sadly, Judy passed away soon thereafter leaving me with a wonderful legacy of her kennel. By the winter of 2013/14 I had decided that I wanted Audrey to have a litter that was extraordinarily special. I wanted to make Judy proud and I wanted this litter to be a lasting tribute to her.

Because of this, I did a tremendous amount of research and careful consideration on who I thought Audrey should be bred with. I was leaving nothing to chance and was leveraging everything I had learned over my entire career to make sure I left no stone unturned.

May of 2014 was the start of something amazing as Audrey delivered a litter of sweet, well tempered beautiful puppies. This litter produced three outstanding dogs for Beachstone: BIS Am/Aus/Can GCH Beachstone's All American Girl, GCH Beachstone's Cerise Noir, and my heart dog Spader - MBIS MBISS GCHG Beachstone's Blacklist. Their performance and results continue to amaze me

This litter was exactly what I had hoped for and they continue to give me such joy and happiness. For me they represent all the effort, experience and hard work I have put in over the last 30+ years. During this time I have found that the one thing that I enjoy most is the opportunity to be involved with litters such as this. Getting the chance to work with and evaluate them and share what I have learned is a way of showing my appreciation and respect to all those who took the time to share their knowledge with me.

It's an honor and a privilege to be considered for this opportunity and I would truly appreciate the chance to judge the January 2018 Futurity. Thank you all for your support and consideration.

EILENE WHITE

Over the last 16 years Crestrail Cockers has become a recognized name, not only in the Northwest but throughout the United States for exceptional parti cockers. Eilene White's emphasis on breeding correct form to function has proven itself with more than 30 owner handler champions to date. Her kennel name, Crestrail Cockers, is named after the spectacular Pacific Crest Trail that runs along her property boarder. Cocker Spaniels have been front and center

in most of Eilene's life. Her father, an avid hunter, used cockers as his hunting dog of choice. One of her father's young cockers, a black/white parti named Sarge, turned out to be gun shy, so young Sarge became Eilene's horse riding buddy, and love of her life.

Eilene was born a horse loving girl. She has raised, trained, taught and showed horses all over the United States for over 30 years. She has produced numerous champions in many different breeds and riding styles. With her Bachelor of Science degree in breeding genetics, she taught at Meredith Manor in Waverly, W.VA, one of the premiere equestrian schools in the country. Meredith Manor attracted students, from all over the world, interested in a top education in the horse industry. There she taught riding in dressage and hunter/jumper. She taught lecture classes focused on learning to recognize correct form to function, what breed works best for what style of riding/training, and basic training skills for the horse.

When Eilene decided she wanted to be more serious about showing and breeding dogs, she chose the cocker spaniel. The standard for their structure was very similar to the Warmblood/Sporthorses that she had raised and showed successfully for many years. Both standards want an animal with reach, drive, effortless movement at the trot, with a slightly sloping top-line. Eilene discovered how easy it was to transfer her years of knowledge in the horse industry to the dog world. She has since given numerous seminars discussing puppy evaluations, structure, grooming, handling as well as judging sweepstakes and mentoring. Eilene has been an ASC member since 2006.

As the Founder and Editor of Cocker Classic Magazine (2005) Eilene puts her heart and soul into each issue. Her magazine is devoted to supporting all cocker fanciers with articles that emphasis teaching and easy understanding of form to function, the standard, and current issues regarding the cocker spaniel.

Eilene's main goal, in her teaching, seminars or magazine, is to make important concepts understandable, inspiring and inviting. She was honored when she was invited to give seminars on structure and color genetics at the July 2013 ASC Nationals. She is very excited to have been nominated to judge the ASC Futurity for the January 2018 Flushing Show; and would appreciate your vote for this most prestigious position.

VOTE FOR JANUARY 2018 COCKER SPANIEL JUDGES

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EYE SUPPORT COCKERS

We Still Need YOU!!!

The American Spaniel Club Foundation's Eye Support Cockers committee is continuing its work to support Dr. Gustavo Aguirre and his University of Pennsylvania team in their search for a genetic cataract marker for our beloved breed.

***To those of you who jumped in immediately to include your dogs in the study - THANK YOU! Moving forward, please be sure to send all follow-up eye exam paperwork for those dogs to Optigen. Every bit of data is critical in solving this challenge.

***To those of you who brought dogs to the Purina blood draw in July – THANK YOU! The response was overwhelming and gratifying. EIGHTY Cocker Spaniels were drawn! And the good news is that all required materials for half of those dogs are now at the Optigen lab.

But, for those of you who brought dogs but not the requested paperwork (including eye exams) – remember – the blood alone is meaningless without pedigrees and old and new eye exam paperwork. PLEASE send in those pedigrees and old and new eye exam paperwork as quickly as possible. Dr. Aguirre and his team cannot do research without research materials!

***If your dogs are not yet included in the study, you will have another GREAT AND INEXPENSIVE WAY to include them. *Eye Support Cockers is planning an eye clinic and blood draw in Knoxville on Friday, January 13, from 1:30 – 8 P.M. The TOTAL COST will be \$35 per dog, all inclusive (eye exam, blood draw, shipping).* See next page for registration form.

PLEASE NOTE: Space will be limited

***Can't make the January clinic but still want to participate? You can have your own veterinary ophthalmologist do the eye exam and complete the paperwork (or ask the eye vet at your local clinic to do the same), and then have your local vet draw and ship the blood. You can find instructions about how to participate here: http://www.optigen.com/doc/9_30_15_Cocker_Cataract.pdf

Dr. Aguirre's July progress report can be found at:

http://www.asc-cockerspaniel.org/images/health/06-30-2016_ASC%20FoundationCataractStudyReport.pdf

THANKS TO ALL who have donated to this critical health study!

We Are SO CLOSE to reaching our fund-raising goal, but...we are not there yet. We have raised \$160,000 of our \$170,000 goal, so we still need your help!

Can you dig a little deeper?

Many generous donors gave to this fund to honor the memory of a beloved friend or family member, or even of a favorite canine. This is a great way to celebrate the life of that person or dog – and to give to a wonderful cause. And remember, all contributions are fully deductible to the extent provided by law.

Go HERE to make a donation: <http://asc-f.org/content/health-and-research>

EYE CLINIC

Eye Clinic and Blood Draw

***Friday, January 13, 2017 – 1:30 – 8 P.M. – Knoxville, Tennessee
Examining Ophthalmologist: Dr. Louis Laratta, DVM, Diplomate, ACVO***

Sponsored by the American Spaniel Club Foundation and coordinated by Elena Duggan, the clinic and blood draw support the Cocker Spaniel genetic cataract study being conducted by Dr. Gustavo Aguirre at the University of Pennsylvania School of Veterinary Medicine. The clinic and blood draw will be held in a function room on the lower level of the Holiday Inn World's Fair Park.

Examination Fee: \$35 per dog (includes eye exam, blood draw, and shipping)

- Open to ALL DOGS entered or un-entered in the Flushing Spaniel Show
- Documentation needed: AKC registration number, date of birth, and copies of previous ophthalmological exams for OFA forms
- For all Cocker Spaniels to be included in the study – PLEASE BRING 5 – 6 generation pedigree
- Pre-registration forms will be accepted until Friday, January 6, 2017. Use one form per dog.
- Dog not pre-registered MAY be included IF space/time is available.
- Exams will begin at 1:30 P.M. and efforts will be made to schedule dogs for after they are judged.
- Exam schedule will be available at the show site.

For more information, please contact Elena Duggan (757) 345 6633, cliffsiders@hotmail.com

REGISTRATION FORM FOR EYE CLINIC AND BLOOD DRAW

Pre-registration will be accepted until Friday, January 6, 2017 – Please type or print legibly.

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AKC# _____ Date of birth _____

Registered name _____

Call name _____

Owner's name(s) _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone # _____ E-mail _____

For receipt and confirmation, include stamped, self-addressed envelope or e-mail address with your form(s) and fee(s).

Make checks payable in U.S. funds to ASCF (American Spaniel Club Foundation).

Mail registration form and check to: EYE SUPPORT COCKERS, 13831 Edwards St., Westminster, CA. 92683

Is dog entered in conformation? NO _____ YES (Class) _____

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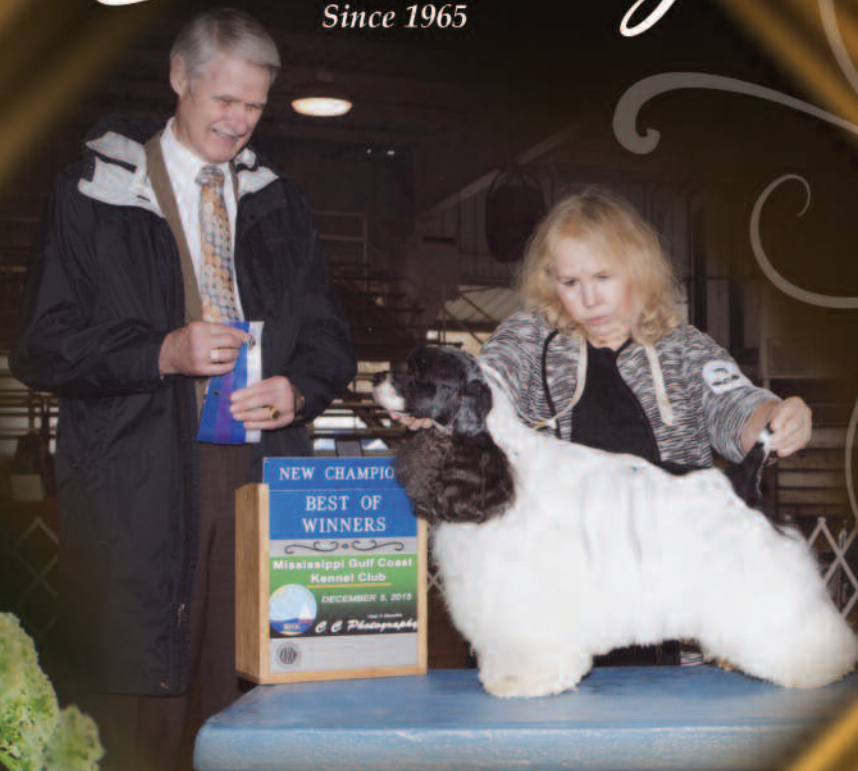
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Cheryl McNeill - Shadowridge

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ASCF RESCUE CHAIR REPORT

GAIL WORKMAN

Thank you to ASCF for appointing me rescue chair. Your belief in me is appreciated. Thanks to all of you for your patience as I learn the ropes of this position.

My only qualifications as the rescue chair are that I am passionate about rescue for my breed, I have patience, I have been training dogs for 30 + years, I am a good leader in what I know (dog obedience instructor, trainer of dogs, and behavior modification). I am an introvert unless I have a dog at the end of the leash for training, and a person or group of people wanting to learn from me.

I have been involved in rescue for many years. Many dogs have come to our family as a rescue since I have been involved with showing dogs. Several cockers of course, but also a Doberman pinscher (Workman's Tina Turner UD) and a Pomeranian (Little Bit o Pepsi CDX). A long list of cockers have come through our door. Some are here just a few days before the right home comes along. Many stayed and earned titles such as our Special Dark Lady who came to us under 2 years old, played flyball and earned an RN before becoming my husband's full time shadow. He says she owns him. Some lived out their life with us because they could not be placed, but we see value in their life, so they get training and live a productive life with us. For some we are the last stop where they get to live out their life in dignity before joining their beloved owners over the rainbow bridge,

For all these many stories, there are always special ones like Bailey who came to us as a fear biter. After a year of behavior modification, and learning flyball and even earning a Junior Hunter, she now does multi sports with junior handlers and lives a productive life in a loving family.

My rescues have always found me. I have never gone to a shelter or pound looking to rescue. What I have done with rescue over the years is nothing compared to those that are actively saving lives and making themselves available as a nonprofit rescue organization.

There are many people all over the country who have similar stories of rescue. My heroes are those that actively do rescue on a big scale for our breed. They sacrifice so much for the good of our breed. They see so much negativity, but choose to see the best in the cockers that have ended up in harm's way through no fault of their own. They are not paid to do rescue. They give their time and their money whether they have it or not and spring into action when they see a special cocker in need. Because they are doers, they have a support system that kicks into action with them because they know in the end that spe-

cial cocker is worth saving and will bring a great deal of love to someone.

I would like to thank the people involved with the Rescue Quilt that was raffled off at the ASC nation July 2016. There was so much love and devotion put into that project from the folks who sponsored quilt squares, the folks who sent in photos of their special rescues, and the amazing workmanship of Nancy Thomas who made the quilt possible. She took countless hours into transferring photos on to fabric and sewing them together as she reflected on what all their stories must have been. It was a wonderful project that raised a good amount of money for ASCF rescue. I thank everyone involved – contributors as well as those that bought raffle tickets. I hope it won't be our last as we plan to do another for 2018. Congratulations to Patty Kohn who won the rescue quilt. The quilt highlighted the many stories of rescue and I would love to see this continue with rescue stories each month on our ASCF Facebook page (www.facebook.com/american-spaniel-club-foundation) from our affiliates. This way everyone can see where donations are going and how worthy it is to donate to both the ASC Foundation focus on health AND rescue.

As a cocker fancier who loves our breed, does performance and breeds cockers as well, I have always felt it is my responsibility to rescue when the opportunity arises. Like most of our fancy I am dedicated to training, showing and breeding, but I always have room to foster 1 rescue at a time. It may not make a difference on the big scale, but it makes a difference to that one dog's life. But, it takes a village to make sure no cocker is left behind and so I give my thanks to all who do rescue and to those who donate to rescue when they see the opportunity and choose to give to such a worthy cause. Please support ASCF rescue with donations by going to our page <http://www.asc-f.org> and donating. And when you can't afford to donate, be a foster, or a link that leads to the next step for a special rescue, or just give thanks to our rescue affiliates. Do you know who are ASC Foundation Rescue Affiliate clubs are? Check them out on our website as well at <http://www.asc-f.org>.

Think of those less fortunate rescue cockers every time you run around a conformation ring and take a big win, breed an amazing litter, win high in trial, earn a new title. The celebration is amazing, as it should be! The hard work, the money, the blood, sweat, and tears you put into what you have achieved make it so rewarding and worthwhile. Support rescue and give back to the breed we all love.

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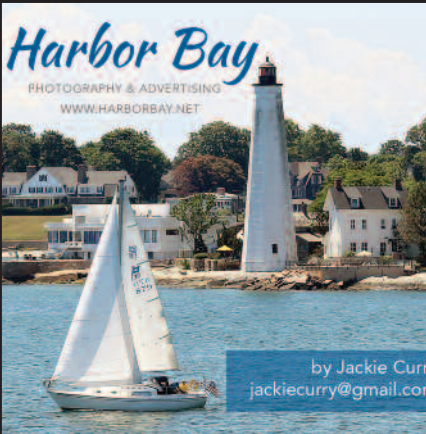
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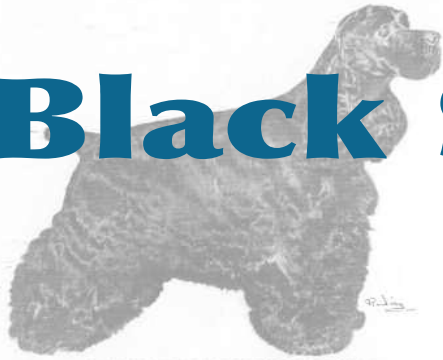
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Wh. 2/18/13 **Lenny** is a young dog with an outstanding pedigree. He has a correct head, big teeth and a nice hard sloping topline. Eyes OFA clear July 2016, hips OFA Good and PRA clear. To approved bitches. Stud fee upon request.

BREEDER/OWNER: Diana Christian & Carol Thompson;
Contact Diana Christian or Stacy Dobmeier; dicadogs@aol.com



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| CH Ashwood's Days Of Wine And Roses | CH Laurent's Family Fortune |
| CH Ashwood's Golden Days | CH Jawat's Golden Opportunity |
| | CH Ashwood Happy Days |

Marque - Wh. 10/18/10. Lightly marked black and tan. Beautiful from head to toe. Lots of bone and substance, great front and rear, beautiful head, big teeth, hard sloping topline, pretty hair, and a pedigree to produce it all! OFA good, eyes clear.

OWNER: Laura Heidrich, Laurent Cockers; 13730 W. Barr Rd.; Manhattan, IL 60442;
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- GCH Twin Pines Handsome Kenwood
- CH Laurent's Walk The Line
- CH Laurent's Cake Walk
- CH LAURENT'S TOP OF THE LINE**
- CH CANCH Laurent's Grand Opening
- CH Laurent's Run For The Roses
- CH Ashwood's Days Of Wine 'Nroses
- CH Silver Pine White Gold
- CH Kenwood's Fuzzy Logic
- CH CANCH Laurent's Grand Opening
- CH Laurent's Piece Of Cake
- CH Cin-Dee's Laurent's Grand Slam
- Laurent's Wild One
- CH Laurent's Family Man
- CH Ashwood's Golden Days

Beemer - wh 4-10-13. Compact dog, well balanced, great on his legs. Beautiful topline, tailset, super ring presence. Finished from the puppy classes with all Specialty wins. BISS and BOS to BOB over top specials at 6 months and one day old. OFA Good, eyes clear, as are parents.

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- CH Bleumoon's Master Of Illusions ROMX-HT
- CH Saratoga-N-Bleumoon's Footnote ROM CD BN RN CGC
- Bleumoon's Just Dreamin'
- MBIS MBISS NZ/AUS/A/C GCH. MAR-K'S PROLOGUE**
- CH Mario N Somerset's Sportster
- CH Cutts Island Sporty Spice
- CH Cutts Island Kittery Konfection
- CH Bleumoon's Just One Time
- CH Bleumoon's Promises To Keep
- CH Bailey's Ninety Eight Degrees ROM-HT, CD RAE, NA NAJ
- CH Bleumoon's Time To Dream
- CH Somerset's Wake Up Call
- Mario's Makes Her Mark
- GCH K-Line N Cutt's Beyond A Doubt LOMX-HT
- CH Lcjems Bonita Sweetsensation

Grisham is back after spending 2 years, in New Zealand and Australia where he gathered many BIS and BISS. Grisham produces, Parti, Chocolate, Black. He is OFA Good, PRA Clear, and Eyes Clear.

OWNERS: Mark Ragusa, Marlene Ness, Keith Brown and Robbie Gray;
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- GCH CANCH K-Line N Cutts Beyond-A-Doubt
- GCHS Mardi Gras La Dolce Vita
- GCH Mardi Gras Bella Notte ROM-HT, RN
- GCHS MARDI GRAS BLACK TIE AFFAIR RA OA OAJ NF**
- CH Gazon Touch of Windrift
- CH Mardi Gras Diamonds And Pearls RN ROM-HT, VP-HT
- CH Mardi Gras Hot In The Shade LOM-HT, LVP-HT
- CH K-Line's Shadow-Of-A-Doubt LOM-HT
- CH K-Line's Melody Of Love LOM-HT
- CH Gazon Touch Of Windrift
- CH Mardi Gras Ruby Slippers CD RN
- CH Gazon Truth Or Dare
- Windrift Touched By An Angel
- CH Lacie's Basic Black
- CH Mardi Gras Snowbird RE TD

Rocco - BV & BOS to BB at the ASC Regional the day after the National, finishing his Rally Advanced title the same day. 5 group placements to date, multiple agility titles, all breeder-owner handled and trained. Sire of champions, produces black and brown, tan points. SLT-PRA clear 8/20/16, OFA Good, PRA clear normal by parentage, in ASC Health Registry.

OWNER: Rosemary Logrie, Mardi Gras Cockers;
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- CH Silverhall Sorcery Black
- CH Lydgate Latin Lover
- CH Lydgate Leatherstockings
- CH AKC GCH SHOWSTAR'S SPECTACULAR SPIRIT**
- CH Ribo's Masked Man
- CH Che-Lee's Licorice Drop
- CH Javalin's Let Me Be Che-Lee ROM
- CH Frandee's Forgery
- CH Silverhall Sorceress
- CH CANCH Lydgate Lawbreaker
- CH Lydgate Letter-Perfect
- CH Jem's Visual Lega-C
- Ribo's Trick or Treat
- CH CANCH Roadshow-NLegacee Obsession
- Homespun's Let It Be Me

Andy is a striking Black & Tan with strong breed type and elegance, beautiful head, scissors bite and all you see in his picture. He finished both his champion and grand champion titles with multiple specialty wins with very well known breeder judges. His offspring is already on the ground. OFA good, eyes clear 3/16. PRA A. Frozen or fresh chilled semen is also available.

BREEDER/OWNER: Victor Rosado; showstarcockers@yahoo.com;
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- CH Roadshow's Hidden Obsession
- CH Roadshow's Causin'-A-Ruckus

Adam - D.O.B.08/29/2010. Vey typey blk/tan with gorgeous head, long ribcage, long neck, low earset and great tailset. Champion producer. Produce black, blk/tan, brown, brown/tan and Parti. Great old pedigree. Ofa good, no slips, PRA-prcd clear, OFA Eyes 07/2016.

OWNER: Elena Sicurello, Tsunami Cockers; 753 Public Rd., Bethlehem, PA 18015;
610-333-2231; tsunamicockerspaniels@yahoo.com; www.Tsunamicockers.com



CHAMPION
EASH'S GOLDEN BOY
A. K. C. A-614877
RED

<p>My Own Lady Huntington</p> <p>My Own Black Bruce</p> <p>Ch. The Bell of Huntington</p>	<p>Noble Sir</p> <p>Sugartown Coquette</p>	<p>Ch. Torahill Trader</p> <p>My Own Blacklocks</p> <p>Ch. Nannquitt Notable</p> <p>Sugartown Star Bright</p>	<p>Ch. Blackstone Chief</p> <p>Ch. Torahill Tidy</p> <p>Red Bruce</p> <p>Sweet Marie II</p> <p>Ch. Torahill Trader</p> <p>Freeland's Fud</p> <p>Ch. Torahill Trader</p> <p>Ch. Freeland's Charity</p>
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Dams: EASH'S COQUETTE

Stud Fee \$50

ASCOB Stud Dogs



- CH Sherwood's One For The Money
- GCH INCH Sunhaven's Premier Package
- CH Buttonwood's Royal Image
- 18K CHAMPAGNE TASTE AT KLAD, CD CAN RA AM RN SHDMX CGN**
- CH Laurent's The Ladies Man CD
- GCH Laurent 18K Family Affair
- CH Laurent Tanahill Family Portrait
- CH A To Z's Tail Of The Comet
- CH Sherwood's Dance Hall Girl
- CH Pett's Need Squaw Have Teepee
- CH Buttonwood's England's Rose
- CH Laurent's Perfect Gentleman
- CH Laurent's Chills N Thrills
- CH Laurent's Family Man
- CH Laurent Ashwood Picture Perfect

Kermit is a young dog that is already excelling in performance and has a temperament to die for. He is OFA CAER clear and DNA tested clear/non-carrier for PRA. Available by private treaty only.

OWNER: Kelly Ladouceur, KLAD Cockers; Calgary, Alberta, Canada;
780-715-8010; kladckrs@gmail.com



- CH CANCH Larmaro's Handsome Dancer
- CH Foley's Hold Your Heart
- CH Fanny Hill's Mimosa
- GCH BLONDHEIM'S EASY MATTERS**
- Toccata's Crowd Control
- GCH Blondheim's That Was Easy
- CH Showtime Natural Blond
- CH CANCH Hitop's Flash Dancer
- CH CANCH Larmaro's Simply Irresistible
- CH Ashwood'thrillingopportunity
- Fanny Hill's Pajama Party
- CH Dynamite's Master Charge
- CH CANCH Toccata's Pre-Heated
- Showtime Coronation Harley
- CH Wickland's Flashy Penny

Matt is a MBIS, MBISS GCH and was the number one ASCOB in 2015, all systems. Sire of 5 champions so far in 2016. He is OFA'd good and current on his eye clearance. He is a sound dog in body and mind with bone and big teeth. Stud Fee on request to approved bitches. DOB 9-26-2012. He is proven.

BREEDERS/OWNER: Sherry and Barry Blondheim; 509-539-0701; spaniels.sherry@gmail.com



- CH Overoak Rising Son LOM-HT
- CH Lydgate Rise N Shine
- CH Lydgate Looks So Fine
- CH CHARLOT N' CHE-LEE'S HERE COMES THE SUN, BN**
- CH Lamar's Montana, LOMX-HT, VP-HT
- CH Charlot's Sedona
- CH Never Blue's Gold Dust, LOM-HT
- CH Silverhall Soldier Of Fortune LOMX
- CH Overoak Career Girl
- CH Darkehaven Private Eye LOM-HT
- CH Lydgate Leatherstockings
- CH Comac Crusader
- CH Comac 'N Budken Colleen O'Mine, LOM
- CH Hitop's Flash Dancer
- CH Sansmax Sierra

Beatle, beautiful with a long neck, scissor bite, lovely shoulders, and smooth correct movement. Passing his happy, outgoing personality on to his children. His first champion finished at 13 months. Wh 3/16/09. OFA CS-12108G47M-VPI, CHIC# 113406, PRA PRCD Normal, Thyroid Normal. Stud fee upon request.

OWNERS: Susan B. Roman and Charlotte Kirton; 2301 Anderson Mill Road, Austell, GA 30106;
770 944-6614; medsbbr@bellsouth.net



CH Toccata's Looking To The East
 GCH Aspire's Semper Forte
 Aspire's Poetry In Motion

GCH LAURENT'S FOREVER STRONG

CH Swank's Little Black Sambo
 CH Laurent's Kisses Sweeter Than Wine
 CH Ashwod's Days Of Wine 'Nroses

Toccata's Crowd Control
 CH Newsong's Annie Toccata
 CH CANCH Kebec's Californian Trader
 CH Windrose American Beauty
 CH Ashwood'thrillingopportunity
 Swank's Miss Saigon
 CH Laurent's Family Man
 CH Ashwood's Golden Days

Hercules - Whelped 9/14. A tall dog with a lot of bone and substance. Nice balance, strong rear, great topline, tailset, hair texture. Good bite with large teeth. Beautiful neck, shoulders, layback. Sweet, happy-go-lucky attitude. OFA Good, eyes clear. At limited stud until he is a little older.

OWNERS: Laura Heidrich and Marci Wilson; 13730 W. Barr Rd., Manhattan, IL 60442;
 815-953-5692; lheidrich@laurentcockers.com



CH Gallant The Beat Goes On
 CH L.A.-Law's Just Beat It
 CH L.A.-Law's Trumped Up Charges

CH LAURENT'S ODDS ARE

CH Laurent's Perfect Opportunity
 CH Laurent's Chances Are
 CH Laurent's Icecapades

CH Homestead's Just Wait
 CH Gallant Devil May Care
 CH Ron-D Make It So
 CH L.A.-Law's Her Alibi
 CH Ashwood Thrilling Opportunity
 CH Laurent's Just About Perfect
 CH R-Classi Ride The Rail
 CH Laurent's Chills N Thrills

Lucky - Wh. 8/9/11 Compact, cobby, typey, great moving dog with a short, hard back, pretty head, big teeth, big front, nice rear. Great, sound, old pedigree. Lucky has a super sweet temperament. A great dog to consider. OFA Good, Parents eyes clear, OFA Good too, eyes clear, 11/2015.

OWNER: Laura Heidrich, Laurent Cockers; 13730 W. Barr Rd., Manhattan, IL 60442;
 815-953-5692; lheidrich@laurentcockers.com



CH Silver Pine White Gold
 GCH Twin Pines Handsome Kenwood
 CH Kenwood's Fuzzy Logic

CH LAURENT'S WALK THE LINE

CH Laurent's Grand Opening
 CH Laurent's Cake Walk
 CH Laurent's Piece Of Cake

CH Kenwood's Livin' La Vida Loca
 Silver Pine Black Attraction
 CH Jaywyck's Tyme To Dance CD RE NA NAJ NAP
 CH Kenwood Jack's Mademoiselle
 CH Cin-Dee's Laurents' Grand Slam
 Laurent's Wild One
 CH Laurent's Perfect Gentleman
 CH Laurent's Thrilled To Pieces

Cash - Wh. 11/8/2008. Best Cut Down ASC National July 2014. Great for type, hard sloping topline, outgoing and showy attitude, balance, and movement. Sire of champions from the puppy classes, and Best in Sweeps winners. OFA good, eyes clear, 11/2015.

OWNER: Laura Heidrich, Laurent Cockers; 13730 W. Barr Rd., Manhattan, IL 60442;
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CH K-Line's Shadow-Of-A-Doubt LOM-HT
 GCH CANCH K-Line N Cutts Beyond-A-Doubt LOMX-HT
 CH K-Line's Melody Of Love LOM-HT

GCHS MARDI GRAS LA DOLCE VITA

CH Gazon Touch Of Windrift
 GCH Mardi Gras Bella Notte ROM-HT RN
 CH Mardi Gras Ruby Slippers CD RN

CH CANCH Roadshow-N-Legacee Obsession
 CH K-Line's Without-A-Doubt LOM
 CH CANCH Ashleyown Kahlua
 CH St Clairs Forty Love
 CH Gazon Truth Or Dare
 Windrift Touched By An Angel
 CH Mardi Gras Man In Black
 CH Lord Byron's Coco Chanel

Dolce - #4 ASCOB 2014 & 2015

His offspring are finishing with Specialty majors and Best in Sweeps wins. He is the sire of 9 champions to date with others major pointed. SLT-PRA clear 4/10/16, OFA Fair, PRA Normal, in ASC Health Registry. Produces black and brown, tan points.

OWNER: Rosemary Logrie, Mardi Gras Cockers;
 303-646-3713; www.MardiGrasCockers.com



CH Lauribel's Rainbow In Snow
 CH VC N P'Gell's Himself
 CH Longshot's Bewitched

BISS GCH/CAN CH P'GELL & BLT BONUS BUCKS, CGC

CH April's Tie Breaker
 CH Gina's Thanks For The Memory
 Gina's Miss Sabrina

CH Encores Draft Dodger
 CH Lauribel's Topaz Tassette
 CH Glenwild's Rags To Riches
 CH Tomara's Be Naughty's First
 CH Kaplar's Krimson Tide
 April's Heartbreaker
 CH Gina's Make Up My Mind
 Gina's Country Madam

A true sporting dog with a rock hard top line (both standing and in movement), scissor bite, proper construction, "big" legs, sweet temperament, great pedigree, and gorgeous cocker type. OFA Good. CERF Clear. PRA carrier will only be bred to PRA Clear Bitches.

OWNERS: Carolyn and Paul Kelley. Email: ca.kelley@comcast.net.
 Contact agent, Kim Vavolo, at vccocker@yahoo.com. P'Gell Kennel 856-235-7475.



CH Lydgate Rise N Shine
 GCH Nickleby's Hero On The Hudson
 CH Nitaby's Candy Express

CH SAMAMARI'S SUPERHERO

CH The Villa's Monkey Business LOM-HT
 CH Bayserenade N Samamari's That Girl ROM
 CH Bayserenade Stella By Starlight LOM-HT

CH Overoak Rising Son LOMX-HT
 CH Lydgate Looks So Fine
 CH Labaron's Sugarfoot
 CH Labaron's Candy Apple
 CH Darkehaven's Apple Of My Eye LOMX-HT
 CH Sugarplum's Spirit Of The Dance
 CH Cosmic's I'm Smashing
 CH Sherwood's Diamond Serenade LOM-HT

Marvel - Available by private treaty. Stud Fee on request. Short-backed, heavy-boned dog with big front and rear, effortless mover with big side gate, beautiful head with large dark eyes, heavy mascara'ing and soft expression, perfect scissor bite, all draped in gorgeous quality hair. Already has 7 new champions in limited breedings. OFA Eye Clear 8/16; OFA Hips Good. Patellas Normal; PRA DNA Normal. Whelped 2/28/12. Ship SJC or SFO.

OWNER: Stephanie Kaul, Samamari; 408-242-7990; stephanie@samamari.com; www.samamari.com



CH Bleumoon's Master Of Illusion ROMX-HT
 CH Saratoga-N-Bleumoon'sFootnote CD BN RN CGC
 Bleumoon's Just Dreamin'

GCH SILVERHALL STRIKE FORCE

CH Coldry's Sweet Seduction
 CH Silverhall Maybe I'm Amazed
 CH Juniper's Jaybird

CH Bleumoon's Just One Time
 CH Bleumoon's Promises To Keep
 CH Bailey's Ninety Eight Degrees
 ROM-HT CD RAE NA NAJ
 CH Bleumoon's Time to Dream
 CH Eighty Eights Black Jag
 CH Our Gang's Dark Victory
 CH Kaplan's Lord Of The Dance
 CH Juniper's J-Lo

Striker - from a top producing pedigree, and he is the complete package. SLT/PRA Clear, Thyroid-TGaa Negative, OFA Good. Whelped 1/14/2012. Stud Fee on request.
 - See this issue's cover story.

OWNER: Regina M. Beinhauer-Normandy
 At Stud with Mike and Linda Pitts; 724-255-0980; rbein@comcast.net



SI CH Tru-Luv's Money Talks
 GCH Layton's The Teamleader
 INT CH Layton's Madame Genero

BRONZE GCH TRU-LUV & WINCHESTER'S TEAM WINELIGHT

CH Swank's Little Black Sambo
 CH Laurent's Finest Vintage
 CH Ashwood's Days Of Wine And Roses

CH Kesa's Border Scout
 CH Tru-Luv's Ringside Gossip
 CH Very Vigie Raspoutine
 Candida's Debussy Waltz
 CH Ashwood's Thrilling Opportunity
 Swank's Miss Saigon
 CH Laurent's Family Man
 CH Ashwood's Golden Days

Tag finished at 10 months old and became a GCH in 4 weekends with all majors, all BOH. He is a powerful, high drive Sporting dog who loves to show & now working in the field. He has an excellent coat texture, nice headpiece and expression with big scissors teeth. Solid topline, great tailset, beautiful angles. He is OFA Good, Eyes Clear, Patellas Normal, Thyroid Normal (2016). Whelped 7/31/2012. Stud fee on request.

OWNER: Patricia Elkins, Tru-Luv Cockers; truluvcockers@gmail.com; www.tru-luvkennels.com



CH Darkehaven's Feast Your Eyes ROM-HT
 CH Tru-Luv's & St' James Golden Eye RN TD
 CH CANCH St'james Alice In Wonderland

GCH TRU-LUV'S EYECATCHER FOR TSUNAMI

CH Swank's Little Black Sambo
 CH Laurent's Finest Vintage ROM
 CH Ashwood's Days Of Wine 'Nroses

CH Darkehaven's Apple Of My Eye
 CH La Baron's She's A Tease
 MALCH St'james Tee Time
 BRAZCH St'james Hannah Of Kaolin
 CH Ashwood'thrillingopportunity
 Swank's Miss Saigon
 CH Laurent's Family Man
 CH Ashwood's Golden Days

Romeo is very solid, compact RED dog!! D.O.B.05/11/2014. Producing buff, black and black/tan. OFA good, no slips, PRA-prcd-clear, OFA Eyes 07/2016.

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 610-333-2231; tsunamicockerspaniels@yahoo.com; www.Tsunamicockers.com



Parti Stud Dogs

CH. DAU-HAN'S DAN MORGAN

Ch. Youngblood's Hairloom	Ch. Honey Creek Hairloom	Int. Ch. Honey Creek Harmonizer
Ch. Dan's Dan	Ch. Dan's Dan	Int. Ch. Honey Creek Vivacious
Dun-Mar's Miss Patricia	Dun-Mar's Debutante	Ch. Honey Creek Hairloom
		Ch. Rebo's Dress Parade
Ch. Dau-Han's Drum Beat	Ch. Dakota's Drum Major	Ch. Honey Creek Trice Over
Ch. Dau-Han's Holiday Flirt	Ch. Dau-Han's Holiday Affair	Dau-Han's Merry Miss
Ch. Dau-Han's Holiday Affair	Ch. Honey Creek Trice Over	Int. Ch. Honey Creek Harmonizer
	Dau-Han's Merry Miss	Ch. Honey Creek Cricket
		Ch. Dutchtown Spokesman
		Grayson's Sweater Girl



- CH San Jo's Born To Win
- CH San Jo's Split Decision
- CH San Jo's Playin' On A Carousel
- BISS GCHB CONQUEST'S THIS MOMENT I OWN IT!**
- CH CANCH Tagalong's Shadyhill Storm ROM-HT, TT
- GCH Conquest's This Is It!
- CH My-Ida-Ho Just Bn' Gorgeous
- CH My-Ida-Ho Look N'Good
- CH San Jo's Playin To Win
- INT NORD DKCH Charles Dickens Maddox
- CH San Jo's Playin' My Way
- CH MEXCH Tagalong's Macho Man
- Frandee's Ms Tagalong
- CH My-Ida-Ho Look N' Gorgeous
- CH My-Ida-Ho Just Look N

DOB: Aug 9, 2014. **Dominic** is a top 5 winning parti for 2016 with limited showing. Unlike his mother, RBIS MBISS Conquest's This Is It!, Neytiri, he does not produce brown. PRA Clear, OFA Hips Excellent, Eyes Clear (Aug 2016), OFA Thyroids Normal. Available at stud to Approved bitches only at private treaty.

OWNER: Mariecel Torres-Young; 9659 NW Randall Ln, Portland OR 97229;
 Email or FB message only: conquest.cockers@comcast.net, Mariecel TorresYoung; www.conquestcockers.com



- GCH Clovercreek's Mark Of A Dream
- CH Clovercreek-Hartline Neverbkdown
- CH Dreamweavers Sign On The Line
- GCH DUNE'S I GOT THE MOVES LIKE JAGGER**
- CH Flair-Rill Fire Storming
- CH Tri-Pod Dune's Delight Full Of Fire
- CH Tri-Pod's Keepsake
- CH Rendition Triple Play
- CH Dalin's Desdemona
- CH Rendition Triple Play
- CH Ju-Mar's Sparkle Plenty
- CH Tri-Pod's Deer Fly
- CH Flair-Rill Wind 'N Fire
- CH Tri-Pod's Finder's Keepers
- CH Tri-Pod's Sweet Georgia Brown

Blake is a sweet merry show boy with effortless movement and solid top-line. Great teeth, head-piece. Black nose. Very dark red. He finished quickly from BBE and to GCH owner handled. To approved bitches; Fee upon request. AKC: SR784901/01 born: 2013/6/20 CHIC #: 116207 / EYES OFA CS-EYE655/36M-VPI / HIPS OFA CS-13115G38M-VPI / Parents both PRA normal/clear.

OWNER: Dina Burke, Dune Cockers; 310 Elizabeth St., Augusta, KY 41002;
 513-633-4566; dinaburke10@yahoo.com

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STUD DOGS OF *Loma Point*



MBISS, Multi Group Winner
Gold GCH Windsor 18k Rolls Royce CGC

National BOV Winner 2007, Westminster BOV Winner 2011, AKC Eukanuba National Championships BOV Winner 2008 & 2009

Hips OFA Excellent, Eyes CLEAR

Stud Fee upon request

Owned by Judy Bjelland



MBISS, Multi Group Winner, Gold GCH
Sherwood & Loma Point Captain Crunch

Best Stud Dog in Show National 2013 Winner,
Westminster Kennel Club BOV Winner 2015

Hips OFA Good, Eyes Clear

Stud Fee upon request

Owned by Judy Bjelland



MBISS, Multi Group Winner
Silver GCH Loma Point's Dangerous Intentions

For your future consideration. Watch for this young dog as his career continues to blossom - this is only the beginning!

Hips OFA Good, Eyes CLEAR

Stud Fee upon request

Owned by Lane Tarantino, Judy Bjelland, Kim Olsen, & Tray Pittman

Phone: 760-522-2383



CH Somerset's Wake Up Call
 CH Mario N Somerset's Sportster
 Mario's Makes Her Mark
GCH NESMAR'S I'M A REAL GOOD MAN
 Maypleayr's Lord Houston Nesmar
 CH Nesmar's There's Your Trouble
 Lizbeth Golden Altamira

CH Shatara's The Awakening
 JPK's April Shower
 CH Damon N Brickett's Mark My Words
 Black River Gracious Me
 CH Tagalong's Macho Man
 CH Kamp's Kountry Tridition
 K-Line N Ashleysown Spitfire
 Miss Frances Moser

Timmy - Eyes tested, PRA Clear, OFA Excellent. Tim, finished quickly in the US and Canada, winning first AOM at ASC Flushing show in Januray 2013, then winning the Canadian National and a Regional Speicalty show that same year. Available by private treaty.

OWNERS: Mark Ragusa & Marlene Ness.
 Contact Marlene Ness at 203-240-8622



CH Empire's Brooklyn Dodger
 CH Perje's Penthouse
 CH Terje's Thembelina ROM-HT
CH NORMANDY'S KID ROCK
 CH Gindou's Like A Rock
 CH Kamps'-Normandy's Rock A Little
 CH Kamps' Normandy's Mini Play ROM-HT

CH Terje's Thunderbolt
 Harlanhaven's Heavenly Bliss
 CH Eaglewing-JPK Bible Smuggler
 CH Tri-Pod's Sure Thing
 CH Tri-Pod's Truth Or Consequences
 CH Deter's See You At Somerset
 CH Rendition Triple Play
 CH Kamps' N Normandy's Klass Act LOM-HT

Ritchie - BOS to BIFuturity/RWD ASC July 2011. Finished quickly from the puppy classes. Wonderful balance, stunning movement, exceptional type. Pedigree of producers. Whelped 12/7/10. OFA Eye Clear 10/16. Ship San Jose or San Francisco. Available by private treaty. Stud fee on request.

OWNER: Stephanie Kaul;
 408-242-7990; stephanie@samamari.com; www.samamari.com



CH Clovercreek's Never Say Never
 CH Pbj's N Janfred's Parti Rock
 CH Janfred's Bodacious Babe
CH PBJ'S PARTI IN THE FAST LANE
 CH Artistry In Platinum
 CH Pbj's Lil Sure Shot
 B-Mac N Pbj Material Girl

GCH Clovercreek's Mark Of A Dream
 CH Dreamweavers Sign On The Line
 CH Luzana's Look N' Tri-If-Fic
 CH Dal-Mar's Nothin' But The Truth
 CH Artistry's Tao
 Artistry's Brownie Points
 CH B-Mac's Quick Draw McGraw
 B-Mac's Lotty Dotty

For future consideration
Ricco - D.O.B.03/27/2015. Our very special boy!!! ASC WD/BOW and BOV from 9-12 class. Looking forward for Ricco's return on the show ring Spring 2017. OFA good (prelim), n o slips, PRA-prcd clear, OFA Eyes 07/2016.

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CH Triway Pop Fly

CH Javalin's Get It Fly Boy

Quasar Javalin's Get Over It LOM

AM/INT'L GCH RIDGECREST BLUE COLLAR MAN

CH Legend Rum Roaner

CH Legend Blue Bonnet

Legend Blue Doo Doll

CH Tri-Pod's Fly Ball

Triway Tri Lady

CH Searidge Maltese Falcon

CH Quasar's Wish Upon A Star

CH Legend Jetblue

Legend Barbara Ann

Legend The Untouchable, CD, NA

Legend Tammy Fay

PorkChop, a true sporting dog. Properly constructed front/rear, large strong teeth, beautiful side movement. He has a lovely correct coat and a very sweet, loving nature. Wh: 11/29/11. OFA CS-12427G27MVPI, CHIC# 113407, PRA PRCD Normal, Thyroid Normal. Stud fee upon request.

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lfoley@att.net or Dee Torgerson-Rismyhr at deetails@cox.net

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BUDDY'S JOURNEY TO PET THERAPY...

IT STARTED IN TEXAS
AND CONTINUES IN
OKLAHOMA!

by Joyce McIntyre

My passion for pet therapy extends further than my own dogs and our pet therapy visits. As an evaluator I have the opportunity to not only evaluate dogs for pet therapy, but I have the pleasure to mentor the teams on their journey to pet therapy after certification. It is always a special treat to help friends and their furkids! Todd and Mary Margaret Miller are Buddy's new mom and dad, and Carl and Mary Napper were Buddy's first. I consider it an honor to call these people my friends. Buddy, Tumbleweed's Look At Me, was bred by Carl and Mary Napper from Texas and is loved and is now owned by Todd and Mary Margaret Miller here in Oklahoma. Mary Margaret is the treasurer of The Cocker Spaniel Club of Central Oklahoma and has been our show chair for three years for the supported entry with The Summer Classic Dog Show in Oklahoma City.

Buddy, with his sweet temperament and bubbling personality, is beginning his new life with Todd and Mary Margaret, and Mary Margaret is beginning her journey as Buddy's handler. This article and the articles to follow will give details as well as highlights along the way to Buddy's goal as Therapy Dog! I will also highlight his therapy dog testing as well as his first therapy visit. THE JOURNEY BEGINS.....

(Mary Margaret gives us the inside story of how her journey with Buddy began and is continuing!)



FIRST GLANCE

“As I look back now on the day I first saw Buddy, I remember thinking I could meet our next Cocker today! This thought kept popping into my head as I was getting ready to head downtown to the OKC Summer Classic Dog Show. I laughed and told myself that’s just wishful thinking! I must really be missing Trey today. Trey was our 11 year old black and white male Parti Cocker Spaniel that we lost in February 2016. Trey and our other boy, Deuce, were great together, and my husband and I wanted to add another boy to our family when the time was right.

As a member and show chair of the Cocker Spaniel Club of Central Oklahoma, I help out with our club’s supported entry and sweepstakes on the Saturday of the OKC show cluster. I always look forward to seeing old friends and meeting new ones. Of course, the best part is all the gorgeous Cockers! As I stood by the ring, my eyes were immediately drawn to a young, black & white male strutting down the walkway. His face was the sweetest thing I’d ever seen and his head was just fantastic! I approached his handler to visit about this sweet boy. She told me that his name was Buddy, and she was his breeder. She also mentioned that she was thinking about finding a home for him after she finished his championship. “Really?!,” I asked. “We would be VERY interested!” She promised that we would talk some more later and headed into the ring with Buddy. I headed over to my friend, Joyce McIntyre, to tell her about Buddy and ask who the nice lady was that I had been talking to. She informed me that it was Mary Napper of Tumbleweed Cockers. Joyce went on to say that Mary is a highly respected breeder and an AKC judge. She told me Mary was also an active member of our parent club, The American Spaniel Club.

After Mary and Buddy were finished showing, she invited me over to her set-up area to meet Buddy and talk some more. We exchanged information and said we’d keep in touch.

Over the next few months, we emailed back and forth. Then one day Mary called me to say that she decided not to try and finish Buddy’s championship. She felt that a good home for him was more important than time in the

ring. Even though she felt that he could be a champion, she had other dogs at home that needed her attention and would rather place him in a loving home. Buddy had a major win to his credit as well as single points, so he was on his way to his championship, but coming to live with us was going to be a reality. I was so excited – Buddy was going to be OURS!! We set the date for October 9th. Mary and her husband, Carl, would bring Buddy to us at our home in Edmond, Oklahoma.”

BUDDY ARRIVES IN HIS NEW HOME

“My husband, Todd, who had only seen pictures of Buddy, fell in love with him immediately (of course!) Everything went so well – Deuce and Buddy got along just fine. Buddy acted happy to be with us. I know Mary was pleased, but she was also sad to be leaving him. Although I think it was hardest on Carl to leave Buddy with us; I could tell Carl thought Buddy was pretty special.

Everything went so well that day; it seemed as if Buddy was destined to be ours. Deuce, our precious 12-year-old boy, was just fine with having a new friend. He’s always been so good with other dogs, and I believe he liked Buddy right away. Deuce finds his little “brother” to be a bit annoying occasionally, but he is never mean with him.

I am truly honored that esteemed breeders like Carl and Mary Napper allowed us to adopt Buddy. Mary began showing dogs in 1975 and got her first cocker in 1980. She obtained her first show cocker in 1985 and established Tumbleweed Cockers. She has bred over 50 champions so far! Three of Buddy’s littermates are out competing in the show ring right now and will no doubt be finished champions soon.

I told Mary about my dream to train Buddy to become a therapy dog. I have always wanted to train a dog for therapy work, even back in the 1990’s when I raised Greater Swiss Mountain Dogs. I lived in Alva, Oklahoma at the time, and it was too far to drive for training and certification.

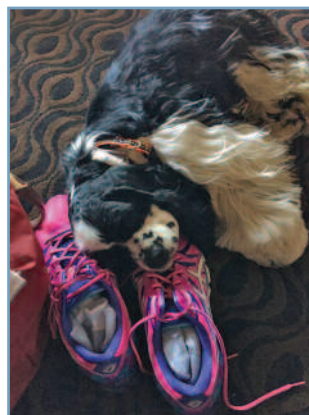
Now I live in Edmond and have met an amazing trainer and even have a dear friend that is a certified evaluator for therapy dogs! I am excited to begin this journey with Buddy. I think he will be wonderful with people and together he and I can do a lot of good in this world! Buddy has a long and storied pedigree that includes seizure-alert dogs, so I know he’s going to be great!”

FIRST NIGHT IN BUDDY’S NEW HOME AND THE DAYS THAT FOLLOWED

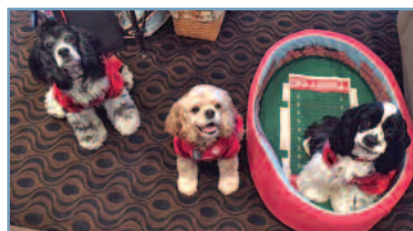
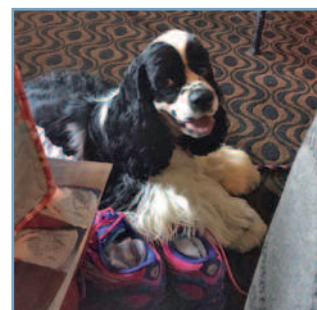
“Buddy seemed pretty content in our home, even after Mary and Carl left. He ran around as if he was looking for them for a few minutes, but otherwise he settled right in. He was tired enough that night that he made no objection to being in his crate in our bedroom at bed time.



Buddy with his Mama and with his Daddy!



I love Mama and her shoes!



Sooner Cocker Crew... Deuce, Greta (best friend) and Buddy... Are they cute?



A couple of close friends came by to meet Buddy that first day, much to his delight. We had a lot of company that first week, and Buddy handled it quite well. My friend brought her cute little ASCOB female by to see Deuce and Buddy, and Deuce, Greta, and Buddy put on their Sooner Gear and had group pictures made. Buddy didn’t mind wearing his costume and that fact is so positive as we can use costumes as entertainment with pet therapy. I was so impressed that Buddy took all this in stride and acted like it was a completely normal thing to do. Now that some of the newness has worn off and the steady stream of visitors has stopped, he has become even more relaxed – for a year-old puppy!”

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Buddy's Journey To Pet Therapy... (continued)

GOALS FOR PET THERAPY TRAINING:

"Todd and I have always taken Deuce with us everywhere we can and will continue to do so with Buddy. The boys have already visited a church pumpkin patch and will soon be attending Buddy's first Cocker Spaniel Club of Central Oklahoma meeting. There are so many pet-friendly stores and restaurants here in the OKC Metro area, and we look forward to visiting as many as we can as often as possible. Even our neighborhood is very dog friendly. Lots of residents walk their dogs by our house every day, plus the outdoor patio at our clubhouse restaurant allows dogs. Deuce and Buddy have been to dinner there as part of the "dinner crew" in the nice fall evenings in Oklahoma. Buddy is well behaved in public and enjoys going with us.

Of course, I am really looking forward to starting Buddy's formal training to begin his road to therapy work. Our good friend, dog trainer and pet-sitter extraordinaire, Carol Garr, is going to be a big part of his "schooling." Carol has agreed to help us with Buddy on a regular basis as well as having some group classes for others interested in pet therapy. There are times when our boys stay with Carol when we are out of town, and she will work with him then as well. There will be some mini-sessions on the week-ends at her training facility that we can attend. Mary's husband, Carl, uses a cane and has used a walker, so Buddy already has started his training with medical equipment without even realizing it!



Our trip to the Pumpkin Patch

Pet therapy interests me because it's a great activity for Buddy and me to do together that allows us to help others at the same time. There are so many possibilities out there,

but I'm most excited about growing closer to my dog and enhancing our relationship. Watching Buddy grow into a therapy dog will be a complete blessing for Todd and me, and I am looking forward to the day when I can take him on therapy visits and make a difference in the lives of those we touch.

Mary Margaret Miller
ASC Member
Cocker Spaniel Club of Central Oklahoma, Treasurer and Show Chair"

NOTE: The next article will highlight the progress that Buddy is making and more goals for training and socialization. He will be involved in formal training with Carol as well as being socialized and trained at home and on the go! I will be involved in the mini-sessions at the training facility with one of my therapy dogs that is used in the testing team as the "dog on a walk". The curriculum for therapy dog training is usually tailored to the needs of the dog. Some dogs need to be socialized more, but formal obedience training certainly gives the dogs confidence as well as the feeling of accomplishment as praise is the best treat for them. Treats cannot be given at the therapy dog testing so early in the training they need to be praised as they enjoy knowing that their humans are pleased with them and love them. It will be a pleasure to work with Mary Margaret and Buddy on their journey to pet therapy. I don't believe in coincidence, but I truly believe that Buddy was meant to be Todd and Mary Margaret's new family member. The pieces all fell into place, and the timing was perfect. Buddy's journey has just begun, and I couldn't be happier!

If there is anyone that has a dog with the inherent correct temperament, and you would like more info and guidance on a journey of your own to pet therapy, please contact me at twinj@windstream.net. I would be honored to help you.

Next article continues Buddy's journey!

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Spaniel Sleuths

Glenmurray Kennels

By Bob Wall

My

tale of Glenmurray Kennels that follows is about animals, the two-footed and four-footed ones who were and are a part of the events

that have shaped Glenmurray Cockers. This tale begins in 1973 and continues to the present day. Glenmurray Kennels is located on E Elm Street in Ontario California. At the helm is a very unique, special and fearless lady named Lois Wilson. She is also my dear friend.

Nothing is as important as maintaining a strong family. Glenmurray Kennels is such a place where members love and respect each other, continuing to help each other as events evolve and change. The Glenmurray Kennel has certainly left a lasting legacy for our beloved cocker spaniel. Many have contributed to the making of Glenmurray cockers. This "family" remains a part of the very essence of Glenmurray. Over the past 40 plus years, its presence is living proof that Glenmurray remains a place where the greater family comes together, forming long and lasting friendships. In support of my premise – I can readily offer the strong bond of friendship and support which continues between two wonderful ladies – Lois Wilson and Marnie Wood. My nearly 40 year friendship with both of these ladies continues to bring me great joy – as well as enriching my life. I owe so much to both of these ladies. I definitely consider Glenmurray to be part of my family.

MY FIRST MEETING WITH LOIS WILSON

To digress, I have known both Lois Wilson and Marnie Wood since the late 1970's. Our mutual friendship began in a very roundabout way. In November of 1978, handler Bob Covey entered the New England Fall Specialty Shows being held in Rhode Island. Bob's lovely string included this big strapping black puppy bitch named Glenmurray's Blueprint, aka "Printer". Upon entering the ring, Printer immediately caught my eye. She was barely 6 months of age and Glenmurray's first real entry of note outside of California. How Printer flew around the ring like a seasoned special. I am happy to report Printer garnered a 5 point major that day at the Cocker Spaniel Club of Rhode Island show. Two months later, in January of 1979, Printer went Black Reserve WB at Spaniel Club, once again from the puppy class. Both Lois Wilson and Marnie

Wood attended that show. We immediately became fast friends ...it is a wonderful friendship which lasts to this day. Thanks in part to serendipity, my silver buff bitch Ch. Glenmurray's Imagination, that I co-owned with Susanne Cummings, was a granddaughter of the very same Ch. Glenmurray's Blueprint.

THE EARLY YEARS OF GLENMURRAY KENNEL

To begin this tale of Glenmurray Kennels, I have asked my friend Marnie Wood to provide a summary of the early years of Glenmurray Cockers. Marnie was an easy choice to ask, since Marnie was actually part of the very beginning of Glenmurray Cockers. Marnie's wonderful summary follows:

"The idea for Glenmurray Cockers came to be in 1973, when I bought a house in Van Nuys, CA and decided I could now have a dog. There was only one breed I was interested in, since our family pet when I was in high school was a cocker spaniel named Kimberly. However, finding a cocker breeder in the LA area was not easy, and I made many phone calls with no results. Through a colleague in Bakersfield, I found Dorothy Cater of Desert Sands cockers in Phoenix AZ. Dot had a B/T bitch, one year old, for sale to a pet home. My friend Lois Wilson happened to be going to Phoenix for a job interview so I went along to pick up my dog. Her name was Trouble, which I didn't like, so I renamed her Daphne. She was Desert Sands Turbulence (Ch Desert Sands Conquistador x Ch Desert Sands Illusion). Dot Cater became a lifelong friend and mentor to both Lois and me.

So how did Lois come into the dog picture? She was living in Bakersfield at the time, working as Director of Nursing at the Bakersfield Hospital. I needed to go to a conference in Chicago and I asked Lois if she would look after Daphne for me while I was gone. She agreed, so I drove Daphne to Bakersfield to spend the weekend with Lois.

When I returned to pick up Daphne, Lois greeted me with 'I must have a dog just like this one! She saved my life while you were gone. You will have to breed her so I can have a puppy.' 'How did she save your life?' I asked.

The story was: Lois went to bed one night, with Daphne sleeping on the foot of her bed. In the middle of

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Spaniel Sleuths... (continued)

the night, her door flew open, and a man stood in the doorway, drunk and disheveled. Daphne flew off the bed and grabbed him by the ankle, he took off running and shouting 'I'm sorry! I thought this was my house, they all look alike.'

Lois was determined that Daphne should be bred, so I consulted with Dot Cater and she advised me to go to the upcoming Fresno specialty show and have a look at the dogs and talk to the people. I did that, found dog shows exciting and fascinating, and ended up breeding Daphne at her next season to Ch Tim Bou's Beau Brummell, a black Gayhurst Fanfare son. [We came up with the kennel name "Glenmurray" since Murray was a prominent name in both our families (Lois's father's first name and my mothers' maiden name). The first breeding in 1974 produced 2 boys, but Lois wanted a girl just like Daphne. These 2 boys were the first Glenmurray puppies, and one of them (Glenmurray's Robert the Bruce) was a lovely black & tan boy, the first Glenmurray show dog. The next year Daphne's second litter was born, this time 7 puppies with 2 girls. Lois chose the black bitch we called Glenmurray's Blue Bonnets. Meanwhile she bought a b/t puppy girl from Dot Cater, Desert Sands Saga of Cochise which she planned to show. However, It was "Blue" who turned out to be the foundation bitch for Glenmurray cockers. Lois and I co-owned her and she was bred to Ch Maindale's Smoke Signal to produce "Printer" (Ch Glenmurray's Blueprint). Printer was shown at the ASC Flushing Spaniel show in 1979, and was BOS in the Futurity as well as RWB. By then, of course, we were both hooked on the dog world.

Around 1976, Dot Cater decided to get out of dogs and take up square dancing instead. In downsizing her kennel, she gave us 2 beautiful bitches: One of these, Pitch (Ch Desert Sands Total Eclipse) was bred to Ch Windy Hill's Tis Demi's Demon, and produced Ch Glenmurray's Royal Stewart and Ch Glenmurray's Highland Fling. Highland Fling was bred to Ch Tanorama's Top Card to produce Ch Glenmurray's Highland Caper (Elizabeth, dam of Blackie and High Noon). Elizabeth and Printer were behind the majority of Lois's solid color puppies. She has been solely responsible for the breeding program at Glenmurray Cocker since about 1983."

GLENMURRAY COCKERS IN THE EARLY 1980's AND 1990's

In the early 1980's, Lois assumed the helm of Glenmurray Cocker. In time, Lois was joined by Dee Dee Wood of Frandee Kennels. Lois concentrated her breeding program largely in the solid color cockers, while Dee concentrated on her beloved Parti-colors. Both had a dream – others might call it a vision. Blurring that vision was the issue they were housed in a very small house with a limited kennel. Fortunately they had a relatively large lot of land. Both house and kennel expanded to better house



Lois Wilson awards Best Opposite Sex to Aqua-Stone Critical Hit. Bred by ASC member Hannu Palonen's daughter, Nelly Palonen.

their growing family of four-footed cockers. It was needed to accomplish the next steps in their vision.

Glenmurray cockers flourished. Cockers of note carrying the Glenmurray prefix began to make their presence known on a National level. There are far too many to list in this article – but certainly I would be remiss if I did not mention Ch. Glenmurray's Solid Black, ROMX-HT who won the Black Variety at the Denver National in 1993 – shown by a very proficient 12 year handler, Ryan Wolfe. The multi Best In Show dog Ch. Glenmurray's High Noon, ROM-HT and finally – to reflect Lois fearless way of "venturing out" the lovely red and white Parti dog Ch Glenmurray's Declaration. Not only did these dogs prove their worth in the show ring ... but also as producers of quality dogs. Many of today's top winning dogs can trace their ancestry back to one or more of these Glenmurray sires – including today's top winning Cocker Spaniel – Ch. Silverhall Strike Force – whose ancestors include BOTH Solid Black and High Noon!

LOIS THE PIONEER

Lois Wilson has never been afraid to try something new. Some might call her fearless at time – me included. I would go so far as to label Lois a true pioneer. I think this pioneering spirit has been evident throughout her life. When I think about the essence of Lois Wilson – my head gives me one vision of Glenmurray Kennel and its well known dogs of note ... but in my heart I feel a deeper essence of who she is. It is a vision of this ever so independent modern day "Annie Oakley" This Annie Oakley part of her nature has often piloted Glenmurray Kennels these many years – totally unafraid to take on a new challenge and welcoming a new avenue. Lois does not simply take on new ventures – she does this while maintaining a generous willingness to share both her knowledge and dogs with others. These qualities have made Lois Wilson the very special person she is. Those of you who know

Lois would certainly agree that Lois always makes the effort to enjoy every moment of her life – much in keeping with what I imagine Annie Oakley was like.

With this attitude and general philosophy, Lois has hurdled many forbidden barriers, opening new avenues that have served to better today’s Cocker Spaniel. That is her legacy. Clearly the Glenmurray legacy and influence – on both our two-footed and four footed friends is here to stay.

I think this pioneering spirit is clearly evident in her willingness to export some of her best dogs outside the U.S. Just taking one segment – our Northern European friends – so many names and kennels come to my mind attesting to the influence and generosity of Lois’ spirit – Candida, Little Life and Marvellous in Finland, Caci, Cherub and Speedwagon in Sweden, Truly Yours in Denmark and last but certainly not least Doggygarden in Norway. Each of these breeders respect Lois immensely. They appreciate her, knowing full well Lois was willing to send her best to them ... and that she has done.

**PERSONS WHO HELPED LOIS
ALONG THE WAY**

I mentioned earlier in this article many people have contributed in helping Lois create the kennel of note Glenmurray cockers has become.

Of special note, I would be remiss in not mentioning the special contributions made by the following individuals.

- Marnie Wood – The first lady to helm Glenmurray and constant friend to Lois Wilson through these many years.
- Dee Dee Wood – For sharing her vision with Lois, and her assistance in making it possible to expand Glenmurray Kennel
- Julie Vierosteck – A woman Lois holds in great respect – as friend, person of knowledge and talented handler.

IN CONCLUSION:


George Bernard Shaw gifted me with this quote that I think sums up best my dear friend Lois Wilson –

“Some people see things as they are and say why” I (Lois Wilson) dream things that never were and say why not?”

For me, a true lasting legacy fulfills a spiritual need that cries out “I have made a difference.”... and what a difference Lois has made to our breed.

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- CH Silverhall High Priority, Black and Tan - 6
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- GCHS Mardi Gras La Dolce Vita, Brown – 5
- GCHS Royalty Inc Beat It, Tri Color – 5
- GCHP Trinity's Tucked Under His Wing, Buff – 5
- CH Dal-Mar's Ebs Perfect Storm, Tri Color – 4
- CH Sweethearts Space Jam, Black – 4
- GCH Nesmar's I'M A Real Good Man, Tri Color – 4
- GCH Showstar's Spectacular Spirit, Black and Tan - 4
- CH Pbj's N Janfred's Parti Rock, Black and White – 4
- CH Somerset's In A While, Brown and White – 4


Top Producing Bitches January through September 2016

- GCHG Conquest's This Is It!, Tri Color – 4
- CH K-Line's Designer Touch, Black - 4
- CH Monthaven's The Client, Red and White – 4
- CH Pbj's Lil Sure Shot, Tri Color – 4
- CH Somerset's Sweeten The Pot, Black – 4
- CH Be-Fit's Lovin To Dance, Black – 3
- CH Dal-Mar's Moment with Buddha All Covered In Hair, Tri Color- 3

- GCH Gallant Oh Lydia Of The Circus, Black – 3
- CH Kamps'-Normandy N Rubic's Silhouette, Red and White - 3
- CH Peri's Pole Katz, Brown – 3
- CH Serene Krismyth Surprise, Buff – 3
- CH Silverhall Swissair, Buff – 3
- GCH Lalaith's Tickled Pink, Buff -3

Top Breeders January through September 2016

- Emily Staso – (Ebs) – 7, 1 co-bred
- Beate Pruitt, (Pbj's) – 6, all co-bred
- Linda Pitts, (Silhouette) – 6, all co-bred
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- Jeannie Montanelli (Monthaven) – 5, 1 co-bred
- Judi Kline (K-Lines) – 5, 4 co-bred
- Megan Pruitt (Pbj's) – 5, all co-bred
- Wilson Pike (Silverhall) – 5, all co-bred
- Charlotte Hansen (Truly Yours) – 4
- Erika Kehoe (Keryer's – 4, 3 co-bred
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Fellow Members,

Below you will find a summary of the 2016 Cocker Spaniel National Specialty held at Purina Farms in July. It was a success, due in large part to the popularity of our performance events.

I have also summarized our current finances. Be reminded that 'Restricted Funds' are those invested in Fidelity accounts, the interest on which pays for Perpetual memorial Trophies (for which we are taxed). Our 'Unrestricted Funds' include our checking account with Regions Bank and a surplus cash investment account with Fidelity.

As always, if you have any questions, please email me at asc.treasurer.beth@gmail.com

Respectfully submitted,

Beth Williams
ASC Treasurer

Unrestricted Funds	
Regions Bank.....	\$70,375.90
Fidelity 'Cash Surplus' account.....	\$11,477.26
Total Unrestricted Funds.....	\$81,853.16
Restricted Funds.....	\$121,457.05



July 2016 Show Financial Summary			
	Revenue	Expenses	Net
Agility Entries/Refunds	26,415.00	9,291.30	17,123.70
Awards Dinner	6,290.00	4,196.24	2,093.76
BBQ	4,215.00	6,455.84	-2,240.84
Candid Photography License	225.00	75.00	150.00
Catalog Ads	1,452.00	20.00	1,432.00
Catalog Sales	3,090.00		3,090.00
Catering		4,051.35	-4,051.35
Flowers/Decorations	342.00	329.53	12.47
Fundraising (on-site)	5,971.00	18.56	5,952.44
Futurity	410.00	246.00	164.00
Hospitality Breakfasts	1,005.00	1,196.77	-191.77
Host Hotel		5,885.35	-5,885.35
Hunt Test/Instinct Test	2,155.00	2,082.87	72.13
Insurance		50.00	-50.00
Judge's Expenses		5,904.17	-5,904.17
Judge's Hospitality		282.61	-282.61
Live Stream Video	1,230.00		
Memorabilia	11,492.75	7,857.28	3,635.47
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RV's	5,725.00	3,925.00	1,800.00
Seating	3,390.00		3,390.00
Superintendent	7,536.57	2,433.09	5,103.48
Tack Room	3,150.00	87.29	3,062.71
Trophies	9,942.42	13,057.82	-3,115.40
Unawarded Prize Money	17.00		17.00
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Bred by Linda Pitts & Laurie Ferland | Owned and handled by Stephanie Kaul | Ch. Sweetheart's Space Jam x Ch. Somerset's Sweeten the Pot