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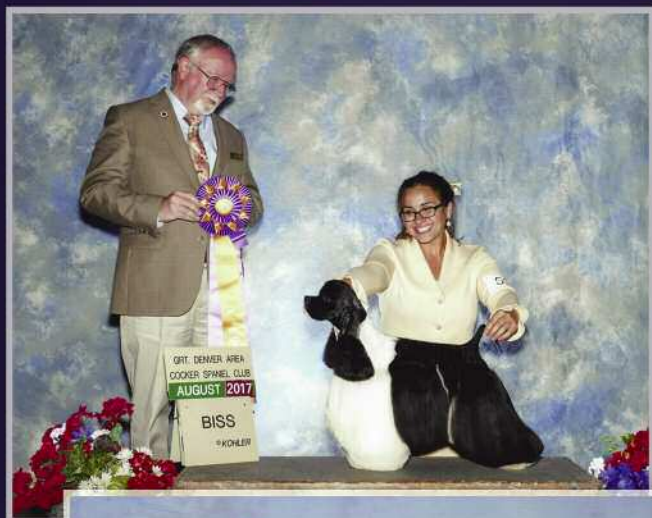
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✦ #1 PARTI-COLOR COCKER SPANIEL 2017

✦ MULTIPLE SPORTING GROUP WINNER

✦ MULTIPLE BEST IN SPECIALTY SHOW WINNER

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT



I started writing this over the Thanksgiving weekend because I began thinking about the many things I was thankful for, including ASC's numerous dedicated and hardworking volunteers. It is an understatement to say ASC could not survive without devoted volunteers – volunteers who are not looking for recognition and who know

they may be subjected to criticism and complaints, but they volunteer any way. They volunteer with enthusiasm for the sake of volunteering and because they love spaniels. ASC volunteers understand the importance of ASC to the breed and the world of purebred dogs, and they want to work with like-minded volunteers who enjoy and stand for the same things they do. But before I completed this message on that topic, a significant intervening event occurred — the results of the vote on the proposed Breed Standard revisions came out. This event changed the focus of my President's message, not because of the results of the vote, but because of the reaction of some to the results.

In a vote such as this, where members, and even non-members, are very passionate about what they truly believe is best for the cocker spaniel breed, discussions get contentious, even combative, hurtful things are said, and when the results are revealed there is great disappointment, sadness and even anger by those whose position did not prevail. I hate to see the hurt and disappointment I know some feel. I truly hate it and wish that there was something I could do to make those members feel better, but each in their own individual way has to work through those feelings. I am not criticizing people for their reactions because I understand the love and dedication they have to our breed. I applaud and thank them for their commitment. But this is when we must come together. We must respect each other's opinions, remember the love we all have for our breed, and understand that the enemy is not someone who may have voted differently on an issue, but outside forces.

The decline in the number of cocker spaniels being bred and shown in conformation is true for purebred dogs across the board. There are a number of reasons for this which includes the simple fact that purebred dogs are under attack. In general, dogs and dog owners today are under intense scrutiny. Urban and suburban governments pass laws that restrict dog ownership because some people are not responsible dog owners. Animal rights activists everywhere have the mantra that "a responsible breeder is

an oxymoron." Additionally, as was discussed at length at ASC's initial strategic planning session, people today, particularly young people, live differently than they did 30 years ago. They are more mobile, often live in multi-family homes (condominiums or apartments), and are drawn to non-purebred rescue dogs as opposed to obtaining a purebred dog from a responsible breeder. Fortunately, I think that the American Kennel Club has finally started fighting back with its power and money to promote purebred dogs, as it should, but it has a long way to go, because purebred dogs were already behind the eight ball when that alarm went off.

After the vote, comments on the ASC Yahoo list correctly pointed out that the National Specialty is nowhere near as large as it was 20 years ago and alluded to the results of this last breed standard vote being the end of cocker spaniels and ASC. But both are strong. Cocker spaniels continue to be at the top of the sporting dog and all-breed standings at all-breed shows. Six cocker spaniels won Best in Shows this year. There are cockers that are top obedience and agility performers and cockers that continue to excel in hunt tests. But what makes the breed strong are ASC's members. Which really brings me back to my original topic for this President's message – ASC's volunteers. ASC is fortunate because it has incredible volunteers that are out there constantly promoting cocker spaniels and the other spaniel breeds, irrespective of their position on the last vote.

ASC membership is no longer in a decline and there are members joining the ASC Board of Directors for the first time. ASC is fiscally stable, without any increase in dues since I became a member almost 30 years ago. As stewards of the Club's money, the ASC Finance Chair and Treasurer prepare annual budgets two years in advance and committee chairs prepare and adhere to budgets. Every year members that include Carolee Douglas and Patricia Petraglia ensure that ASC's Spaniel Hunt Test takes place to maintain the working ability of our spaniels. The last two years, thanks to Vivian Hudson, ASC has held two free standing agility trials. The agility trials continue to grow at the National Specialty and, in 2018, ASC will hold 5 free-standing agility trials. In 2017, for the first time, the English Cocker Club held a concurrent specialty during the Flushing Spaniel Show and in 2018 there will be 3 concurrent specialties – English Cockers, Clumbers and Welsh Springers. Also, obedience and rally have grown at the Flushing Spaniel from one day to two thanks to long-time Obedience and Rally Chair Richard Rohrbacher. Each year ASC has a dedicated group of volunteers who fight the big crowds in New York City and Orlando for the general public to see cocker spaniels at Meet the Breeds in conjunction with Westminster and the AKC Invitational. For the last three

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President's Report... (Continued)

years a fundraising committee for the American Spaniel Club Foundation raised approximately \$170,000 for the cataract study at the University of Pennsylvania and have committed to raise the same amount over the next three years. And these are just a few of the many things ASC members do to support the Club, cocker spaniels and the other spaniels. The point of this message is not to single out anyone for their contributions to the Club, because I could not possibly name all of ASC's volunteers, but it is to show how important ASC is to our breed and what can be accomplished together.

So I am back to being thankful for ASC, its members and all that they do. Irrespective of any differences, we have more in common than not and I hope in 2018 we will pull together and continue to work together.

Happy Holidays!

Linda Moore
ASC President



4 Tips For A Safe And Stress Free Holiday

Including your dog in festive holiday celebrations is all part of the fun of the season; however, your dog might not be feeling the same holiday spirit as you. At the end of the year, things don't look, sound, or even smell like they usually do, and that can cause canine confusion and anxiety. Problem behaviors tend to flare up, and there are many dangers and stressors to be aware of. To make sure your dog enjoys the merriment as much as you do, here are some holiday safety tips.

Be Aware of Holiday Dangers

Decorating the house is a holiday tradition for many families, but the change in scenery can be stressful and even dangerous for dogs. Water in the Christmas tree reservoir and some plants, such as poinsettias, can potentially cause vomiting or diarrhea if they are consumed. Ornaments and tinsel pose a choking hazard, and strings of lights mean exposed wires running through the house, which are dangerous if your dog decides to chew on them. Puppy-proof your house during the holidays, just as you did when you first brought your dog home, keeping an eye out for possible dangers.

Avoid Tummy Troubles

Food can be a big part of the holidays and sharing table scraps with your dog might seem harmless. But rich, fatty, or spicy foods might upset your dog's stomach, particularly if he's not used to them. Be sparing with the tidbits or forgo them altogether and instead consider making your dog his very own special homemade doggie treats.

Some common holiday foods can be toxic to dogs. Chocolate is a favorite treat for people, but can cause serious problems for your dog, even in small amounts. And fruitcake, a seasonal delicacy, may contain dried fruits like raisins. Raisins and grapes can cause serious damage to your dog's kidneys, even in small doses. Don't let your dog get into the turkey carcass because cooked bones can easily splinter into dangerous fragments. Keep all food, treats, and edible gifts out of reach of your dog rather than under the tree or on the coffee table. Before the holidays, be sure to brush up on your dog's "Leave It" cue.

Manage the Hustle and Bustle

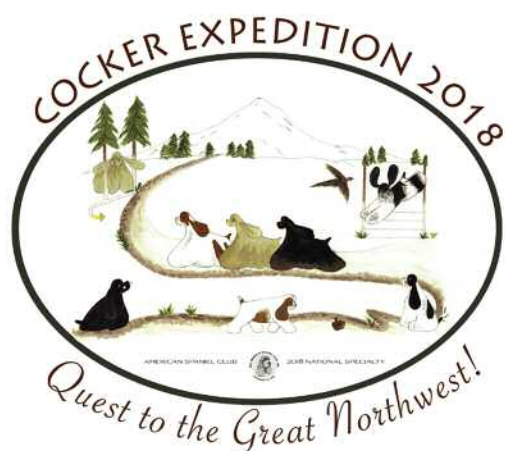
There is often extra activity and commotion at this time of year with family and friends dropping by to socialize. You

might also find your doorbell constantly ringing as a result of packages and additional mail delivery. These extra callers, particularly those who are unfamiliar, can set an anxious dog on edge or overwhelm an easily excited one. Teaching your dog to go to his crate or lie on his bed can be helpful. It gives your dog a quiet place to relax and escape from the noise and fuss. It's also impossible for him to get into mischief, such as counter-surfing or begging, if he's lying on his bed or relaxing in his crate. Be sure to give him a nice chew toy or stuffed Kong to keep him happy while he stays in his special place. If you're still working on your dog's front door manners, this is a good time to bring out a baby gate to block his access and prevent him from practicing bad behaviors such as jumping on guests.

Beat the Stress

Dogs are creatures of routine, and the holidays bring many changes to their daily life. Along with the added comings and goings, the environment transforms. Furniture might be moved to accommodate a holiday display or the dog's toys and bed pushed aside for more space for guests. Walks and playtime can fall to the wayside as you tackle your holiday to-do list. All of this can add up to a dog that is confused and distressed. You might find your dog acting up for attention or becoming more irritable with things he used to take in his stride.

Do your best to minimize your dog's stress and stick to his usual routine as much as possible. Keeping him mentally and physically exercised will help keep him calm and ensure that his needs continue to be met. For serious distress, speak to your veterinarian. Calming supplements or a dog-appeasing pheromone diffuser might also help lower your dog's anxiety. If you can keep your dog safe and stress-free, he will be able to enjoy the holiday season as much as you do.



SAVE THE DATE!

**ASC NATIONAL SPECIALTY
JULY 26-29, 2018**

LINN COUNTY EXPO CENTER, ALBANY OR

Save the date and join us for the 42nd American Spaniel Club National Specialty Show!

SHOW COMMITTEE

Show Chairman – Stephanie Kaul
 Asst Show Chairman – Mariecel Torres-Young
 ASC Budget Liaison – Charlie Born
 Facility/Grounds – John Hutson/Mike Allen
 Tack Room – Candace Omatsu
 Obedience/Rally – Stella Rowlett
 Agility – Colleen Keough
 Field – Jackie Lovette & Marsha Linehan
 Hospitality – Doris Watson
 Judges' Hospitality – Doris Watson
 Catalog Sales – June Burkhart
 Chief Ring Steward – Jane Williams
 Trophies – Kathy Brock
 Advertising – Kelly Ladouceur
 Seating – Michelle Roof
 Vendors – Patricia Elkins
 Fundraising – Stephanie Kaul
 Publicity – Jason Cedric Sebastian
 Transportation – John Huston/Mike Allen
 Silent Auction – Terry Kelso
 Basket Raffle – Lisa Pino & Patti Auld
 Decorations – Jerry Moon
 Breeders' Education – Bill Mixon & Kathy Brock

JUDGES INFO

Subject to AKC Approval

Jackie Cavallin - Futurity & Cut Down Sweepstakes
 David Kittredge - Classes TBD
 Marilyn Spacht - Classes TBD
 Carolyn Calkins - Bred-by-Exhibitor & Veteran Sweeps
 Curt Curtis - Obedience/Rally Friday
 Karla Curtis - Obedience/Rally Saturday
 Theresa Temple - Obedience/Rally Sunday
 Art Brest - Agility Thursday
 Zach Davis - Agility Friday-Sunday
 Susan Leitner - Agility Friday-Sunday
 Hunt Test TBD

HOTEL & RV INFO

We have two host hotels onsite at the Linn County Expo Center – The Comfort Suites and The Holiday Inn Express & Suites. Both blocks are open and ready to accept reservations. Both hotels accept pets for a reduced pet fee. You can make reservations by calling the hotels direct or by calling their toll free reservations number. ALL RESERVATIONS MUST BE MADE BY 6/24/18.

Comfort Suites of Albany - \$129/nt*

Dog Fee: One-time fee of \$30 for up to three dogs

Direct Line: 1-480-719-7964

Toll-free Reservations Line: 1-800-4CHOICE (1-800-424-6423)

Ask for the "American Spaniel Club" Room Block

Holiday Inn & Suites, Albany - \$169/nt*

Dog Fee: One-time fee of \$30 for up to three dogs

Direct Line: 1-541-928-8820

Toll-free Reservations Line: 1-800-439-4745

Ask for the "American Spaniel Club" Room Block

RV PARKING

The Linn County Expo Center provides 67 RV spots offering 10, 30 or 50 amp electrical service, water, disposal station, restrooms, and showers. To reserve your space, use the Linn County Expo online reservation form. NOTE that there are a limited number of 30 and 50 amp spots. See RV Parking Map for details.

RV Parking Rates: Rates range from \$25-\$40/night for RV Parking depending on the size of your unit, the amount of amps you need (10, 20, 30 or 50amps) and the type of service (full water, electrical, disposal, etc) – Basic, Standard or Premium. Use the online reservation form to select the options you want/need.

GENERAL INFO

7/25/18 - Move-In Day, Board Meeting, Hunt Test (TBD)
 7/26/18 - Futurity, BBE, Veteran & Cut Down Sweepstakes, Cockers-Only Agility, Hunt Test, Sanctioned Obed/Rally Match
 7/27/18 - Class Dogs & Bitches, Agility, Obed/Rally
 7/28/18 - Specials and Bests Competition, Agility, Obed/Rally
 7/29/18 - Zone IV Regional Specialty and Move-Out
 Plus Seminars, Social Events, and lots of FUN - more info to come on those!



+ **THE TOP WINNING ASCOB COCKER OF ALL TIME**

+ **2017 NUMBER ONE SPORTING DOG IN THE UNITED STATES**

+ **2017 ASC FLUSHING SPANIEL SHOW BIS WINNER**

+ **2016 ASC NATIONAL SPECIALTY WINNER**

+ **MULTIPLE BEST IN SHOW WINNER**

+ **MULTIPLE SPECIALTY WINNER**

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Notes for the 98th Flushing Spaniel Show

January 12-14, 2018 Knoxville, TN

JANE T. WILLIAMS, SHOW CHAIR

Even with the surprise change of venue, the show will go on at the Jacobs Building at Chilhowee Park in Knoxville. The two-story building will have grooming on both levels. There will be three rings on the lower level along with the superintendent, catalog table, trophy table, photographer, bake sale, vendors, raffles, premium grooming, and concession stand. The upper level will have a judges' hospitality room, grooming, and bathing. Direct access to both levels is available from the parking lots. Exhibitors need to bring heavy duty plastic and shavings for their grooming space. All electrical cords crossing aisles need to be taped to the floor. The facility does have an elevator.

There is no charge for parking and overnight parking for RVs is also available with or without electricity and water. Advance reservations do not need to be made for the show and payment will be made directly with facility staff, not ASC.

The show will have three Concurrent Specialties on Friday; the English Cocker Club of America, the Clumber Spaniel Club of America, and the Welsh Springer Spaniel Club of America will hold their shows prior to the Sweepstakes for the spaniel breeds.

Obedience and Rally classes will be judged by Russell Hornfisher on Saturday and Sunday.

The Holiday Inn World's Fair Park is fully booked; if anyone needs to cancel a reservation, please let Jane Williams know so that the room can be transferred and counted toward the room night total. The new Tennessean Hotel, located adjacent to the Holiday Inn, does have rooms available; they are offering a special rate of \$199 for rooms. Call the 865-522-2800 to make reservations.

Food and beverages will be available at the Jacobs Building concession with expanded hours of service. **Please note that outside food and beverages, including alcohol, are not to be brought into the building.**

Ringside seating reservation form will be in the premium list; please note that the reservation is not to be post-

marked prior to November 29, 2017. A separate form for Purina Patron Seating is also in the premium list; these seats are \$250 each. You may also call Jane Williams (865-325-8565 or 334-324-4981) to reserve a Patron Seat.

There will not be Educational Seminars offered at the show, but ringside mentoring can be scheduled with Nancy Gallant (NancyJGallant@aol.com).

After the completion of judging on Saturday afternoon, the ASC Annual Meeting will be held in Ring 1 and followed by the reception with complimentary hors 'oeuvres and wine and beer and a cash bar for cocktails. The exact time for the meeting will be posted at the show since it will be determined by the show entry.

IMPORTANT DATES

- November 29, 2017: First day seating reservations can be postmarked
- December 10, 2017: Catalog Advertising deadline; advertising submit post deadline – December 17,
2017 requires an additional \$10 late fee
- December 27, 2017: Entries close at Foy Trent Dog Shows
Tack room deadline; extra \$50 fee for late reservations
- January 11, 2018: Move-in Jacobs Building beginning at noon
ASC Board Meeting, Holiday Inn World's Fair Park Hotel function room
- January 13, 2018: Annual Meeting and Reception at the Jacobs Building
- January 15, 2018: Move-out of Jacobs by 9:00 AM

AMERICAN SPANIEL CLUB, INC.
founded 1881
American Kennel Club Member since September 19, 1889
NOTICE
137th Annual Meeting on Saturday, January 13, 2018

TO ALL MEMBERS:

Please note that the Board of Directors of the Club has designated Saturday, JANUARY 13, 2018, (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. (Location: Jacobs Building; time will be posted and 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 2017 Annual Meeting.
4. Corrections if any to Minutes. Motion for approval.
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 2017:
 - 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 2017:

AKC Delegate	Mr. Van Deman
AKC Gazette Columnist	Ms. Tukua, Esq.
ASC Archivist/ASC Curator	Ms. Kohlhouse
ASC Health Registry	Mrs. Shanks
Cocker Spaniel Breeder Referral	Mrs. Donaldson
Cocker Spaniel Standard	Vacant
Companion Events	Dr. Keough
Agility Events	Ms. Hudson
Education-Judges Education	Mrs. Gallant
Field Events	Ms. Dahlk
Finance	Mr. Stallard
Foreign Liaison	Mrs. Linde Klerholm
Insurance	Mr. Steffen
January 2018 Show Chair	Mrs. Williams
January 2018 Futurity Chair	Mrs. Knight
July 2018 Show Chair	Mrs. Kaull
July 2019 Show Chair	Mrs. Buell
Legal	Ms. Moore
Therapy Dog Program	Mrs. McIntyre
Top Dog	Dr. Grim
Versatility Award Plaques	Dr. Grim

10. Election of Officers

11. Unfinished Business.

12. New Business.
 - A) Presentation Awards.
 - B) Recognition of New Life Members.

13. 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 Fall 2017 Annual Mailing and December 2017 Bulletin Kathleen L. Patterson, Secretary

OUTSTANDING BITCHES

LOOK FOR ROBIN ROBERTS AT ASC & THE 2018 WESTMINSTER KENNEL CLUB DOG SHOW

JUDGE BOB ENNIS

CANADIAN NATIONAL SPECIALTY BOW & BOS



Robin Roberts



JUDGE LOLA NICHOL
BEST IN SWEEPS



JUDGE. DAVID R. MILLER
BEST OF VARIETY

A/C GCH MAR-K'S BREAKING NEWS

SIRE: MBISS GCHB CH MICADEE'S WOODSIDE WITH YOU
DAM: CH MAR-K'S BREAKING DAWN

BREEDER: MARK J RAGUSA/MARLENE NESS. | OWNER: MARK J RAGUSA/JACKIE CURRY/MARLENE NESS

AT HARBOR BAY

JUDGE DAVIS KITTREDGE
SPECIALTY WB & BOS



Sugar

1ST HOME-BRED CHAMPION!



JUDGE LAURIE CAMPBELL
BEST IN SWEEPS



JUDGE NANCY GALLANT
FINISHED WITH 5PT SPECIALTY MAJOR

CH HARBOR BAY'S SUGAR N' SPICE

SIRE: GCH CH ARCTIC WAY FAME IS FOREVER
DAM: BIS BIF GCHB CH MAR-K'S HOT N SPICEY

BREEDER: MARK RAGUSA/MARLENE NESS/JACKIE CURRY. | OWNER: JACKIE CURRY

GETTING TO KNOW JULIE WOOD VIROSTECK, DOGGONE COCKERS – A LIFETIME WITH THE BREED

BY KARIN LINDE KLERHOLM

Please tell us about your childhood, growing up in the Frandee family of Cockers.

I got involved with Cockers at birth. My mom, Dee Dee Wood, had shown cockers as a young girl and still had a R/W dog, Wilco's Captain Bly (Tommy) when I was born. She did show him; but when she married my dad, Frank Wood, he was in the Coast Guard and they moved around so she never finished him. Her first cocker was a black bitch named Sampson's Black Delilah that she showed in obedience and Jr. Showmanship.



Dee Dee Wood with Wilco's Captain Bly

We lost Tommy when I was about 6 or 7. We saw someone with 2 R/W Cockers while I was selling Girl Scout



*Dee Dee Wood and her foundation bitch,
CH. Corwin Diamond Lil'*

Cookies outside of the grocery store. By Christmas, we had another R/W Cocker. She was not show quality; but to me, she was beautiful. Within a month or so, my Mom had made contact with Helen Rice of Corwin Cockers and mom finally had her foundation bitch, CH. Corwin Diamond Lil'. She showed her and put many of her points on her; however Ray McGinnis finished her. They became great friends and he became her mentor.

I believe the first time I ever showed a dog was at the San Gabriel Valley Cocker Spaniel Fanciers Puppy Match. I showed Missy, our R/W pet and my Mom showed Pepper, our B/W show prospect. Mom won and I was devastated! How can a B/W beat my beautiful R/W? Boy, did I have a lot to learn!



*Judge Bob Covey and Julie Wood Virosteck and
CH. Corwin Diamond Lil'*

A few of my fondest memories as a child were when my Mom won the ASC Futurity at the very first National Specialty in Oklahoma City, OK in 1977 with her great bitch, CH. Frandee's Celebration. What an honor to win the Futurity at the very first National Specialty! Also when she let me, as a kid, show and finish the beautiful B/W bitch that she owned, CH. Frandee's Diamond Lil'. She finished at the ASC Flushing Spaniel show by going WB, BOW and BOS to BV over many bitch specials.



"The dynamic duo" - My Mom and I showing litter mates sired by CH. Kane Venture The Cat and out of CH. Frandee's Susan

When and how did start out with your own dogs under the Doggone prefix?

When I was younger I had parti-colors that were out of Mom's lines as I felt that she was doing what needed to be done there. So when I was given the opportunity to acquire a beautiful buff bitch that I had shown and finished that was Artru bred, I jumped on it. CH. Roustabout's Hot Flash came to live with me and was bred to CH. Phi-Tau's Trim the Tree. This is the litter that produced CH. Doggone Newsflash. While this was not my first litter, it was my most successful at the time.



CH. Doggone News Flash

I did cross my buff lines into blacks thru CH. Glenmurray's Solid Black and CH. Glenmurray's High Noon. Through that, I had a beautiful black bitch named Doggone Black at Noon. Noonie was shown only once because I had too many client dogs at the time. She was probably one of the best bitches I ever bred. She was sired

by CH. Glenmurray's High Noon and out of a CH Glenmurray's Solid Black/ CH. Roustabout's Hot Flash daughter. She was bred to CH. Westglen Blak Gammon and produced CH. Doggone Justa Minute, NA, NAJ, CGC (bitch), CH. Doggone Minute Maid (bitch) and CH. Doggone Black to the Future (dog). He was shown and finished here and then sent to Scandinavia. He is behind many wonderful dogs both there and here in the US.



CH. Glenmurray's Solid Black

I have also bred many Champions in other breeds over my many years in dogs. Gordon Setters, English Setters, English Springers, English Cockers, English Toy Spaniels, Beagles, German Shorthaired Pointers and others. I have loved being involved in every breed I have bred; but have always loved my Cockers the most.

Tell us about your handling career - when did you start showing dogs for others, as a professional?

I became an AKC Licensed Professional Handler in 1974. I had been assisting my Mom for many years and decided it was time to join the ranks. I really don't know how many dogs I finished while I was handling, but it would have been well over a thousand. It was difficult to show my own dogs when I had client dogs. Mine always had to take the back seat when it came to the ring. Most of mine were shown in the Bred by Exhibitor class because of the conflict and someone else would have to take them back into the ring in the winner's class. Most of the time I would wait to show them until I could get them in the ring between client dogs. Usually it would only take a couple of weeks to get them finished and so it went pretty quickly. Very rarely would I special one of my own because it would be in conflict with the client dogs and when I did someone else would have to take them into the group for me. When I specialed my CH. Doggone Newsflash dog Tracy Carroll handled him in groups way more than I did!

Were you ever involved in other activities with your dogs besides Conformation?

When I was a young girl there was a lot of talk about moving the cocker spaniel out of the Sporting Group into the Non-Sporting Group. There had been no cocker spaniel Field Trials or Hunt Tests in probably 50 years at the time. Well, my Dad was not going to have any of this. He and his friends, Jack Fowler (Hi-Jack Cockers), Dennis Blake (a hunting enthusiast who hunted over his Cocker), and Ralph Meiser (a GSP breeder and field trainer) set out to write the Working Dog/Working Dog Excellent rules for ASC. They were adopted by ASC and the tests were incor-

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Getting To Know... (Continued)

porated into the national specialty beginning at the National the first time it was held in Cincinnati, OH. Long before that trial I had decided that my specials needed to run in those trials. The CSC of Orange County in California held field training every month. I would make sure my dogs were very clean and somewhat in oil and work them in the field on Saturday; once home, they would be bathed again to be ready to be taken to a show the next day. I ran 2 dogs at the first WD/WDX Trial in Cincinnati, one that was being shown in the specials class at that show and he received his Working Dog Title at that trial. I have also put an Obedience title on one of my dogs and Agility titles on another.

Do you favor in-, line-breeding or outcrosses - Why?

I believe that you have to do both line-breeding and outcrosses when doing what we do. You just have to know when to do each. I've had luck doing both.

In your own mind, what are the most important features of a good stud dog/brood bitch?

"Above all, they must be free and merry, sound, well balanced throughout and in action show a keen inclination to work." This line comes from the first paragraph of the Cocker Spaniel Standard and to me is the most important line in the standard. My dogs must first look like a cocker spaniel. They have to have angles and be balanced to be able to move well. Movement is very important to me! Without proper movement they will not be able to do the job they were bred to do, hunt all day. Even if they never see a bird you have to keep in mind that this is their job and will they be able to run hard all day long. I am a firm believer that not every champion is meant to be bred because it really isn't that hard to finish a dog... especially now when it only takes 6 dogs for a 5 point major in many parts of the country. I don't breed a bitch just to have a litter. If I can't find the right dog for the bitch I just don't breed her.

Would you re-do a combination if you got excellent results in the first litter?

Yes, if I couldn't find anything else that I felt complemented my bitch. I'm not a fan of repeating a breeding but I also wouldn't rule it out.

Picking puppies – what is the best way to do it, for you?

I watch my puppies every day from the time they are born... but really like to watch them when they are on their feet. The best way for me to evaluate a litter is to just put them down on the ground and watch them move around on their own. I like to watch them run around for a while and then I'll pick them up and go over them in the order of how I like them moving. If they can't move right, they aren't built right. With my puppies, the important

time to really watch them is about 6 to 12 weeks and I spend a lot of time each day just watching them on their own.

What fault would be the easiest for you to forgive in a dog and what would you have a hard time forgiving?

First of all I have to have breed type. They have to look like Cockers. Secondly, they have to have reach and drive. While angles are very important to me, I guess I can forgo a little angle as long as they are well balanced between front and rear and not too straight. I cannot forgive a dog that is out of balance.

Do you keep any stud-dogs at home?

Yes, I have had a few. To me, a male has to be exceptional to be considered a stud dog, not just a champion. I'm not one to advertise so never really pushed any of mine to be bred but have had some top producers in the past. My buff dog, CH. Doggone Newsflash produced over 40 champions in very limited breedings and my R/W dog, CH. Derano's Snowman produced quite well too. I have not had any stud dogs for quite a while now but would absolutely keep another if I thought he was an exceptional dog. I do have a young black dog that is finished that I am hanging on to at this time.

Do you work together with other breeders and co-bred litters?

I have co-bred Cockers with a few people but mainly with Lisa Pino (Crazy Q Cockers) and Geri Roy (Carousel Cockers). They were both clients of mine when I was still handling, people I have known most of my life and still very close friends. There was no hesitation for me to work with either of them because I know them both really well and they are like family to me. I can tell you that I would never let a dog ruin the bond that I have with either of them and if it came right down to it and there was a misunderstanding over a dog I would give them the dog and be done with it. My happiness isn't going to be destroyed because of a dog. If you think you want to co-breed with someone you need to know them very well and understand who the dog is going to spend the rest of his/her life with in the beginning. Be fair to the dog and don't pass it back and forth. They can have a litter at someone else's house and it can still be your litter/puppy.

In your own mind, what was the best dog/bitch that you have ever bred, and why?

There are 3 that come to mind when asked this question... a Black, an ASCOB and a Parti-Color. My ASCOB dog, CH. Doggone Newsflash is most definitely the best male I ever bred. He was probably the best balanced dog I've ever had my hands on. The Black would be my CH. Doggone Justa Minute, NA, NAJ, CGC bitch and the Parti-Color would be my CH. Doggone Batter Up bitch. Trying to pick one of them would be impossible.



CH. Doggone News Flash



CH. Doggone Justa Minute,
NA, NAJ, CGC



CH. Doggone Batter Up

As far as how many Champions have I bred, I really don't know. I'm not a numbers kind of person. What's important to me is quality. If I had to guess I would say somewhere around 100.

What health-tests do you do on your dogs?

I always do eyes and hips. I have done elbows, stifles, heart, thyroid and Von Willebrand's disease. I also never breed anything before 2 years of age and prefer to wait even longer. I believe that a little older bitch makes a better mother... in my lines anyway as they are a little more settled.

Please tell us about your work and involvement in the ASC Foundation.

I have been on the board of the ASC Foundation for around 15 or so years. I was very excited when the ASCF came to be because there was now an arm to ASC where one could make tax deductible donations which would help with the health and welfare of the breed I love. I have been the President of the Foundation for about 6 years now and, as most of you know, we have been working with Dr. Aguirre and the University of PA on a Cataract Research Study in the Cocker Spaniel for the past 3 years. While we are not where we had hoped to be at this time, a lot of progress has been made and we are about to commit another 3 years. Our outstanding "Eye Support Cockers" fundraising team Co-Chairmen, Laurie Foley and Elena Duggan and the rest of their team have raised about \$168,000.00 to cover the expenses of the last 3 years. The ASC Foundation is now looking at another \$170,000.00 for the next 3 years. Please remember, we, the members of the American Spaniel Club are all part of the Foundation and when we take this on it is up to each and every one of us to do our part in helping to raise the funds. If any of you have any ideas please let us know!



This is the Lady to contact for more information on the ASC Foundation!

Did you export any of your dog's abroad and how did they influence the breed overseas?

The first dog I ever sent "overseas" was to Hawaii which was a big deal to me at the time. He was a brown dog that was the best dog I had ever bred at the time. It was a difficult for me to part with him but I knew that he was a really nice dog. I wanted to make sure that any dog that was going that far away with my kennel name on it was a really good one. I did send a few others to other countries including CH. Doggone Black to the Future who is behind many top winning and top producing cockers in Sweden, Finland and Norway as well as here in the USA.

Since you got involved in the breed, have you found that the breed has developed or changed over time – for good or bad?

I believe that I was one of the very lucky ones to have lived through heyday of pure bred dogs and dog shows. Over the years I've seen what I believe to be both good and bad in cockers. I don't like what we have done with their coats over the years. The texture has changed so much in the breed with everyone wanting more and more coat. It used to be more the texture of a Springer with a lot of guard hair and a little under coat. We could let the dogs

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Getting To Know... (Continued)

we were showing run around the yard in the fall, bring them in and the leaves would just fall out. No more! I do believe that the amount of hair we have on these dogs has affected our pet population as well. I don't think people want a dog with as much coat as we now have. Why buy a dog with all that hair to just cut it off?

We also had a time when the muzzles were getting so short that there was no way they could have done their job. I think they are a little better now. We have gone thru many trends and will in the future again.

What would be your most important advice to a new aspiring breeder of Cockers?

Please go out to a field event and see what this breed was bred to do! I believe every breeder should do this. You don't have to get involved in field work but you have to know what their job is and familiarize yourself with the terrain on which they work to be able to breed any sporting breed. Then watch the breeders and the handlers and find someone that has what you think you like. See who is winning over a period of months, even years and follow them. Don't get mad because "only the handlers win." They have been around for a long time and they know what is really good about the dog they are showing and what is not. They show off the good points and hide the rest. I cannot tell you how many times while I'm judging I see a dog that I like and I walk up to it on the table, I put the front legs back under the dog where they belong and the person showing the dog moves them right back out under the dog's head. They belong under the dog's shoulders not his nose. At that point I figure if that is the way you want me to see the dog, then that is how I'll judge it.

When did you start judging and what breeds do you judge?

I retired from handling in 1999 because my knees just wouldn't let me continue running and getting up and down. Later that year I was approved to judge Pointers, English Setters, Gordon Setters, Irish Setters, Cocker Spaniels, English Cocker Spaniels, English Springer Spaniels and all breeds of Junior Showmanship. I have never applied to judge any other breeds due to the time it takes and my work managing CJ Feed and Supply in Paola, KS, but probably will in the future.

What is your fondest memory of a judging assignment?

Hands down judging the American Spaniel Club National Specialty in 2006 and putting up the amazing dog, CH. Lydgate Rise N' Shine, all the way to Best of Breed! My two close seconds would be judging the ASCOB variety at the ASC Flushing Spaniel Show and Cocker Spaniels, English Cocker Spaniels and English Springer Spaniels at the Westminster KC show.



Julie judging at the Westminster KC in 2014

What breed Clubs have you been involved in?

I've been a member of the American Spaniel Club since 1974, a charter member of the Cocker Spaniel Club of Orange County since 1974, a member of the German Shorthaired Pointer Club of America, English Cocker Spaniel Club of America, English Setter Club of America, Gordon Setter Club of America, the Heart of America KC and the Lawrence Jayhawk KC.

What is your fondest memory from within the "dog world" over all?

What has been the most rewarding thing about the dog world to me is the friends and extended family I have met from all over the world. I love that we can go into the ring and compete all day long and still have dinner at night and love each other. Last January my world fell apart when my husband and best friend, Steve, passed away while I was at the ASC Flushing Spaniel show. It was all the people that I was with that took over and got me home where I needed to be. It was my "dog friends" that stepped in and helped me to save my house, and its dog people that are still there every day to give me love and support when I need it. It's even dog people that are the godparents of my children! The people I have bonded with in this sport are amazing and I want to thank each and every one of them for being a part of my life.



The inspiration and mentor of Doggone Cockers – Dee Dee Wood

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“Jon”

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BOV AT THE NATIONAL REGIONAL SPECIALTY, July 2017
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in Orlando, Dec. 2017

Thank you to Jessica Legath for her beautiful presentation and to the Judges that appreciated our special boy!

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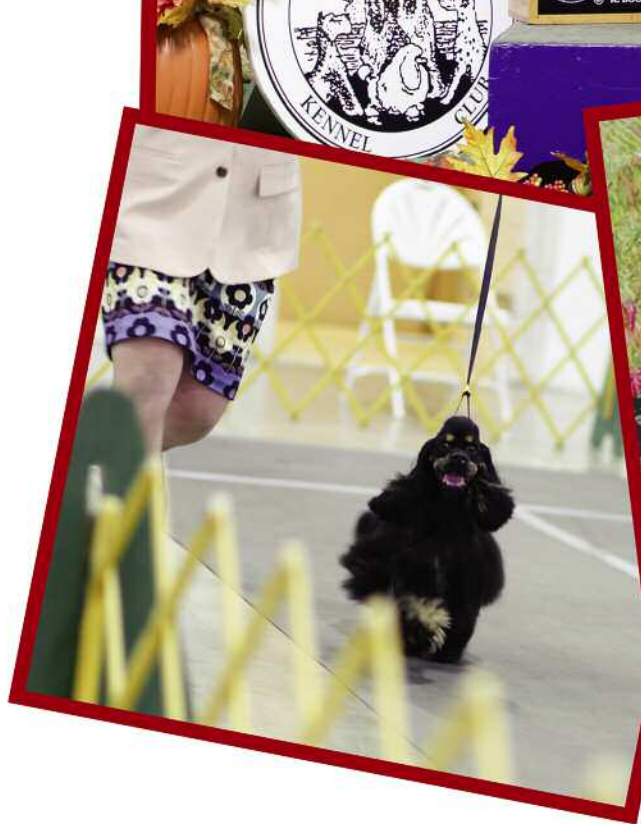


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madison

samamari n luxe's diamond solitaire

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ch normandy's kd rock x ch bodega's miss marple

First Weekend Out

Wine Country Kennel Club

Winners Bitch, Best of Winners and Best Opposite Sex for First Points

Thank you, Judge Bradley Jenkins

Second Weekend Out - Four Day Florida Circuit

Seminole Dog Fanciers Assoc 2 - Winners Bitch - Thank you, Judge Penny DiSiena

Greater Ocala Dog Club 2 - Winners Bitch - Thank you, Judge Valerie Dombrowski

(Reserve Winners Bitch the other two days of the circuit)

LOOK FOR MADISON WITH MIKE & LINDA PITTS!

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NOSEWORK – WHAT THE SEARCHES LOOK LIKE

BY KELLY LADOUCEUR

I've now laid the groundwork for you as to what nosework is, why it was developed, and places to look to get started. This article will describe the various types of searches and what's included. Please note that these descriptions are general – if I were to describe every search in every organization my article would be pages long, so I'm generalizing a fair amount.

The first kind of search that most dogs do is a container search. Once you get into nosework you will be hoarding boxes and bins of all shapes and sizes. In most organizations, a container search involves anywhere from 8-16 containers, one of which has the target odor in it. The other containers are empty at the novice level, but distractions such as food and toys may be added as the team progresses to higher levels. Also, in most organizations the containers start to vary quite a bit as the level of difficulty increases. I've seen coin purses, plastic pencil cases, backpacks, egg cartons, shoes, garden pinwheels and turkey basters with the tips stuck into the ground used at the Excellent level of competition in the Sporting Detection Dogs Association (SDDA). I've heard of people using envelopes, ballpoint pens (with the ink removed) and luggage as containers as well. Initially, though, people start with boxes or Rubbermaid containers.

The second kind of search that most dogs do is an interior search. The size of the room can vary by organization, but the majority of the organizations make a point of stating that the room should be as natural as possible. The room shouldn't be filled with objects that wouldn't nor-

mally be there – it should present as a regular room. I've seen offices used, as well as bathrooms, locker rooms, storage areas and even stalls inside of a barn. Interior searches can be difficult, because you are faced with a whole room to search, including the walls, baseboards and fixtures. It is important to have a search strategy before your dog starts working, so you can remember where your dog has checked and where it hasn't. In the heat of a trial, it is very easy to overlook a certain portion of a room, and the hide could very well be in that area you've forgotten to search. Most organizations have a height restriction for where the hides can be placed – that restriction can vary quite widely, so most judges will confirm the maximum height of the hides during the walk through. For Cockers, we have an advantage with lower hides, because our dogs tend to have their noses down anyhow. For the SDDA, the maximum height at the Excellent level is four feet, and that's tougher for our dogs. That maximum height is from any stable surface, so that can add complexity as well. I know of one search where the hide was in the handle of a pull down screen in a classroom. There was a chair under the screen, and in order to pinpoint the location of that hide, the dogs had to get on the chair. Even so, that would have been very tough for our smaller dogs. Interior searches often have unintended distractions, such as crumbs on the floor (Jack Jack once spent as much time hoovering the floor as he did searching for the odor), mouse traps, food on desks (in offices) and more. At the



Jack Jack showing his skills

higher levels, there are typically multiple rooms and one or two might have no odor at all. You have to trust your dog a lot when determining how many hides there are in a room, or if there are no hides at all. It really plays with the handler's head too, and increases the stress levels during those searches.

The third kind of search is an exterior search. In some organizations the exterior search may be only vehicles or the search may include vehicles, and in other organizations exteriors are a separate search from vehicles, and the team has to do both. Exterior searches can be really tough, because nobody can control the weather, moisture levels, wind patterns and small distractions such as critters and insects. I once walked up to the start line of an exterior search (which was three vehicles) and there was a cat sitting on the start line. At that point Jack Jack had never seen a cat and I was concerned that he would blow me off in favor of checking it out, but he paid no attention to it at all. For exterior searches, the hide can be pretty much anywhere – the ground, trees, grass or stuff such as lawn chairs, picnic tables or kids' toys. If the team is searching vehicles, they might be cars, trucks, RVs, boats, tractors or pretty much anything else with wheels. Vehicles can be tough to search, as the wind pulls the odor under the vehicle, where it pools around tires and bumpers. That can trick a novice dog into thinking that's the source of the odor, rather than working the scent cone back to the actual source. When doing exterior searches, it's important to take note of the wind direction, so you can figure out the best way to start the search. You always want to start downwind of the odor if possible, so your dog gets into the scent cone right away and can quickly work to source.

The fourth kind of search is unique to the AKC's new Scent Work program as far as I know, and it is a buried hide. At the novice level there are multiple Rubbermaid bins filled with dirt, and one has the odor hidden in it. As the team progresses through the levels, the hides are placed outside, and several areas have disturbed soil, so that the team can't just identify the hide visually. The hides are buried between 6 and 12 inches below the surface. This type of search has caused a lot of buzz among

nosework people, simply because it's new. It mimics the work of cadaver dogs, and I think it's going to demonstrate to people just how talented their dogs really are.

The fifth kind of search is new among nosework competitors, but not among obedience competitors. It is the handler discrimination search, where the handler brings a cotton item (glove, sock, cotton ball, etc) that they have scented, and that item gets hidden. At the novice level, everything is done with containers. Once the teams progress, the item may be hidden inside, outside or even underground. It's a similar idea to scent articles in obedience (Utility level), but having the item not visible to the handler definitely adds some difficulty.

Nosework isn't about training the dog – every dog knows how to sniff. It's about training the handler to read their dog's body language and see the subtle changes in behavior that occur when the dog is in odor. If you've never seen nosework, the new AKC Scent Work program allows spectators, so you might gain a lot from finding a trial in your area and going to watch. Watching is one of the best ways to learn body language, as well as to see what we as handlers do to mess up our dogs. This is a sport where the dog really shines, because they're in total control.

Next article I'll discuss the major nosework organizations in Canada and the US, and the similarities and differences between them. Sniff on!

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JT

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Watch for JT in 2018 as he matures and comes out to play from time to time.

JT finished with a Best of Breed over top-ranked specials in Canada, and he finished in the US in just two weekends of showing, with four majors. He was breeder-owner handled in both countries.

(Can Ch Countrystars N Canrick's Rush x Am Can Ch Samamari N Nickleby's It Girl)





Charlotte

CAN CH KLAD SAMAMARI FIRE AND RAIN



Charlotte finished in Canada going Best of Opposite Sex over specials. In the US she has 10 points with both majors.

She is always breeder-owner handled.

Charlotte will return stateside in early 2018 to get those last five singles needed to earn her American championship.

Thank you to all of the judges that recognized these kids, and to Stephanie Kaul for helping me breed and show these kids.

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THE ASC FOUNDATION

20 YEARS YOUNG – 1997-2017

Join us in celebrating two decades as the American Spaniel Club (ASC) Foundation! As we enter year four of the Eye Support Cataract research with Dr. Aguirre and University of Pennsylvania we look forward to the continuing support of the Cocker Spaniel fancy. Perhaps a little history is in order on how we got to where we are today.

The relationship of the Foundation with the American Spaniel Club and the Cocker fancy goes back to 1997 when a forward-thinking ASC Board, led by President Louise Milner, formed the Foundation to maximize the ability to raise money for the health, rescue and education challenges facing our parent club (ASC), its members and the fancy. With a 501(c) (3) nonprofit status and a separate Board in place, the Foundation was formed as a cooperative partnership working to promote the primary interests of ASC. The ASC Board recognized that the Foundation, as a 501(c)(3) organization, provided an opportunity for individuals to make tax deductible contributions. It also offers an opportunity for corporations whose charitable giving programs call for education and research efforts to make tax deductible gifts and an opportunity for corporations to match their employees' donations through their matching gift programs. Finally, and most importantly, it enables support of the efforts of ASC to raise funds to support educational programs as well as rescue and research for the welfare and bet-

terment of the flushing spaniels that give us so much love and joy.

While small compared to other canine foundations, over the past 20 years the ASC Foundation has become a trusted partner on health research. From a research perspective, monetary support totaling over \$60,000 has been given to 27 AKC Canine Health Foundation research projects on oncology, epilepsy and autoimmune deficiencies among others. As it is with research, progress is incremental, but by being part of larger funded and fully vetted projects of the AKC CHF we are able to make our dollars work harder than we could going it alone. A listing of these projects can be found on the Foundation website and results of the studies can be found on the AKC CHF website. Our research focus the past three years and for the forward three years is funding the search for a genetic cataract marker in Cocker Spaniels with the University of Pennsylvania and Dr. Aguirre. Unlike other research the Foundation funds, this study is very unique as it is totally focused on our breed. This requires from the Foundation a much larger financial commitment than other research. As a Board we have taken this step cautiously and seriously as every dollar is hard earned. With the help of many we have funded the first three years at a cost of approximately \$170,000 and will require a similar amount for the next three years of the study. By the end of year six, the investment of

over \$350,000 will be our largest single research commitment to date but the potential rewards we hope for our breed are great. Without risk there is no reward. If you have not already, listen in on [Dr. Aguirre's webinar](#) – the link on ASC and ASCF websites. It is chock full of information and worth more than one listen.

While the ASC Foundation does not have the seemingly unlimited budget many breed clubs do, we like to think that the attitude of “we can make a difference” rings through each initiative undertaken. In 2015, both the ASCF and ASC contributed a total of \$5000 toward the disaster trailer initiative, **AKC Reunite**. Our logos appear on an AKC trailer in the northeast and south-east United States. Trailers were brought “into action” during recent weather disasters from Texas to Florida and up the eastern coastline. Those funds were not just a one-and-done donation, but represent an investment in long-term disaster relief. Further, the recent weather disasters brought front and center the need for a Natural Disaster Fund, which the Foundation established just this fall. Funding from donors nationwide are fueling support for current and future needs.

Since 2014, ASCF has spent over \$30,000 in general cocker rescue throughout the United States. From Foundation infancy in 1997 to 2017, our Rescue efforts have grown into a national network of Affiliate organizations bringing some needed monetary relief to local rescue organizations. Rescue is a selfless and expensive passion and our support is rewarded with saved lives and new homes for so many Cockers. Beyond monetary support, our program includes rescue tools, a listing of our approved Affiliates, Code of Ethics required and Rescue Committee information that is enhanced with networking between organizations through online groups. More information on rescue can be found on the Foundation website.

Twenty years in the making, the American Spaniel Club Foundation makes a difference every day thanks to our contributors. Everything the Foundation is able to accom-

plish is by fund raising donations and legacy estate bequeaths. Through the giving of \$1, or \$5 or \$100 and more sent by a selfless donor, whatever they can afford, enables the Foundation to be successful in our responsibility to improve the health and welfare of our Cocker Spaniel friends. The Foundation has received several sizeable estate gifts and as ASC members make estate plans we also hope they will remember us in their plans. Members of the ASC know that Foundation success depends on them as well as other supporters that understand our vision and are willing to show their support with donations.

Serving the breed, the 14 members of the ASC Foundation Board are listed on the Foundation website and led by Board President Julie Virosteck. They meet monthly through the year either by phone or live at the National Specialty and Flushing shows. On behalf of the Board we thank our many contributors. We are honored to give of our time serving on the Foundation Board and various committees to give back to the breed that has given each of us so much. As we close out this year, we are putting in place the contract for the next three years of the University of Pennsylvania cataract study and initiating the substantial fundraising that will be required to meet those financial commitments. We will share the details of the Eye Support Cockers campaign as phase two is rolled out. We also plan to have another webinar with Dr. Aguirre in late January or early February 2018 when he will share with us the forward focus of the research.

Through your contributions you have made a real difference in our ability to support our health, education and research projects on behalf of Cocker Spaniels. Your donations means the world to us! [Thank you!](#) Looking forward to another decade of accomplishments.

On Behalf of the ASC Foundation Board of Directors,

Charles Born, ASC Foundation Communications



EYE SUPPORT COCKERS

WHAT'S HAPPENING ? ? ? ?

The ASC Foundation is finalizing the paperwork with Dr. Aguirre and University of Pennsylvania for years 4-6 of the study. All should be completed by the end of the year and we will let you know when that is complete. In the interim, Fundraising Chair Marlene Ness is ramping up our fund raising efforts and we thank you in advance for your continued support in that regard as well!!

UPDATING YOUR DOG'S RECORDS

For all of you bringing your Cockers ALREADY included in Dr. Aguirre's genetic cataract study for re-checks –

*****RULE OF THUMB** – Please do remember to bring an Optigen research form to all eye exams, so the examining doctor will have one to fill out IN CASE there is a change – no matter how small. And, of course, be sure to send the form in to Optigen: 767 Warren Road, Suite 300, Ithaca, New York 14850. If you wonder why the need for the form - check out the Webinar with Dr. Aguirre - the link is on the ASC and ASCF websites. He explains all this in great detail.

Here is a link for the form:

http://www.optigen.com/doc/Cocker_Spaniel_Inherited_Cataract_Research_form2_27_17.pdf

According to Dr Aguirre's team, it is NOT necessary IF THERE ARE NO CHANGES in the eyes. In those cases, however, **they definitely want the completed OFA forms. This is how they know that your dog is still clear and that is a very important part of the study.**

Send to: OptiGen, 767 Warren Road, Suite 300, Ithaca, NY 14850.

*Dr. Aguirre and his team are anxious to see reports for AFFECTED Cockers – and ask that they be done approximately every six months. Again, remember to have your eye vet complete the research form (see above) with as many details as possible, and send them in to the noted address.

PLEASE contact Elena Duggan, cliffsidiers@gmail.com, with any questions. Thanks to all for your support of this project.

UPCOMING FUNDRAISING

The Eye support Cockers Cataract Fundraising team will be having an online Facebook auction this November-December. All proceeds will be going to Cataract Research. We are looking for any donations, if you have something you would like to donate please contact Marlene Ness on Facebook or email nesmar@live.ca.

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Charles Born, ASC Foundations Communications



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NOHS Group 1 – Thank You Judge Bob Ennis!

“Thomas”

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Dam: RBIS, MBISS GCHG Conquest's This Is It! (Tri)

Breeder/Owner/Handler: Mariecel Torres-Young

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“Dominic”

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Dam: RBIS, MBISS GCHG Conquest's This Is It! (Tri)

Breeder/Owner/Handler: Maricel Torres-Young

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Who Is On The Ballots?

—2019—

KENNETH 'CASEY' COOPER (Futurity, January)

I was born & raised in Detroit Michigan. At the age of 24, I met the late great Mike Kinchular of Lurola Cocker Spaniels, that was in 1984. I couldn't have had a better mentor & teacher. After traveling to a few local shows in Michigan, we drove to my first summer national in Lincoln Nebraska as his brush boy & kennel help. A few years later Mike hurt his back and so it was up to me to take over as handler. After some ups & downs I was honored to show some very nice dogs for some of the nicest people you could ever meet. One of those dogs was "LUROLA'S BAD BOY" (co-owned and bred by Mike and me) who went onto win Winners Dog and Best of Winners. "Isiah" was the very first non-champion dog or bitch ever to win an Award of Merit from the open class under J. Forsyth at The 1991 ASC in Secaucus NJ.

Other highlights as a handler was winning a specialty BOB from the 6-9 puppy dog class at the Mid Michigan Cocker Spaniel Club. Winning ASCOB Winners Bitch & Best of Winners from the 6-9 puppy class in 1997 under Mr. Calvin Ward. I have also won several Sweepstakes, group wins & finishing over 30 dogs (many from the puppy class) during my time in the ring from 1988-1998. I am now living in Palm Springs California enjoying a great life with my husband G. Michael Crosby.

RITA CROWE (Regular Classes, January)

My love for the Cocker Spaniels began in 1972 with the purchase of our first Cocker, the foundation bitch for Fanny Hill Cockers. It was never my intention to just crank out litters and champions. My goal was to establish a bloodline that was sound, healthy and had true Cocker type. In the years before my first Champion was whelped, I spent a lot of time studying pedigrees, learning the standard, going to shows and puppy matches, grooming, and handling. I was very careful to breed my bitches to stud dogs that would improve my bloodline and the breed.

My first Champion was Ch. Fanny Hill's Philosopher in 1978. Among one of many thrills was owner handling "Plato" to WD and Best of Winners for a 5 point major in Louisville, KY under the late Bettie Duding; at a time when the regular classes were as big as the Specials ring at ASC. Another exciting moment was in 1985 when Philosopher's son, Ch. Fanny Hill's Phoenix went BOS to Best in Futurity under the late Ted Young Jr., handled by the late Mike Kinsular. I was especially thrilled as the breeder of both his sire and the dam. Carrying on, Philosopher's grandson, Ch. Fanny Hill's Phantom, was born in 1990 and finished with three 5-point majors handled by Kyle Robinson. He was the epitome of breed type and soundness, also producing 10 champions in 7 litters. I have bred, trained and owner handled many beautiful beloved Champions and great producers over my 40 plus years involved in the breed. I am very proud of the Fanny Hill bloodline and, although I am retired from active breeding, Fanny Hill Cockers can be found behind many of the beautiful Champions and top producers of today.

I have been a member of the Ohio Valley CSC for over 40 years holding various offices throughout those years, presently serving as President and Treasurer. I am a life member of ASC, and have served on various committees through the years, including the Standards Committee; currently serving as a judge mentor and on the Archival Project Committee. I obtained my Judge's license in 1996 and have enjoyed my assignments and all

the people I have come to know at shows throughout the county, including the ASC shows, and the exciting experience of judging in Finland in 2014.

I was born, raised and have lived in Cincinnati, Ohio all of my life. I married Steve in 1971. We have a wonderful son and daughter-in-law who have blessed us with 3 beautiful granddaughters; ages 13, 12 and 10. My husband is an attorney with his own firm and is on the path to retirement. While I retired as a full time Graphic Artist, I still take occasional short-term assignments. I have sketched various dogs and have designed numerous logos for breeders across the nation, as well as the logo for Ohio Valley CSC and the ASC Summer National shows in Indianapolis in 2004 and 2008.

I wish to thank everyone who nominated me to be considered for this assignment at the January 2019 ASC show. I have always considered it a privilege and an honor to judge our beautiful breed and always look forward to finding the next great one!!

PATRICIA DARKE (Regular Classes, January)

Being selected by my peers to judge the ASC is really an honor for a breeder-judge and I wish to thank the membership for nominating me. I started in cocker spaniels in 1985 under the kennel name Darkehaven and finished over 85 champions in approximately 20 years, 35 of these were Breeder/Owner/Handled. Although I was best known for my ASCOBS, I bred ASC winners in each variety and bred a number of all breed Best in Show dogs.

I am a lifetime member of ASC and volunteered many years serving ASC in various capacities. I was an ASC board member, served on numerous committees and chaired several. When the American Spaniel Club Foundation (ASCF) began, I was recruited by Louise Milner and Dick Duding to help get the ASCF off the ground by helping out with fundraising. I later held various board positions to include Vice President, Executive Director and President.

I have had the honor of judging the ASC, the nationals in Canada, overseas assignments, the ASC futurity twice along with numerous specialties and all breed shows. I also judge other sporting breeds but cockers remain my first love.

I own Darke & Associates, an HR Consulting Firm with an office in Bloomington, MN and Waco, TX. On the personal side of things, my daughter Victoria is married to Jake Searcy and they have two children, JD and Frejya. They live in St. Paul, MN.

JEAN DELISLE (Regular Classes, January)

I sincerely appreciate the nomination from the membership to judge at ASC Flushing Spaniel Show in January, 2019. There is no greater honour than this.

I have been involved in purebred dog in my 30s. With Pierre Talbot, we have been breeding and exhibiting American cocker spaniels for 25+ years under the Kebec's prefix. I will always cherish the moment when I handled my dog Calif to Best Veteran. That was at ASC in January 2010. Most of our dogs are Canadian and American champions and some are FCI International Champions and FCI World winners. I'm proud that our Cockers have won the Canadian National 3 times; 3 different

dogs from the 3 varieties over 3 decades.

I am a member of ASC and was the webmaster for over 10 years. I also own and maintain Cockers-worldwide.com / Cockers.com, the Online Pedigree Database with over 184,000 American cocker spaniels from all over the world. I currently serve on the Canadian Kennel Club Communications Committee, continuing to be involved advancing the interests of purebred dogs.

After working all my life in the media, specifically in Television Broadcast as National News TV Director, my journey brings me now to consider another aspect of the dog show scene as I am a Canadian Kennel Club Conformation Judge for the Sporting Group. I'm a member of the Canadian Dog Judges Association and the St Lawrence Region Dog Judge's Association. I am the Editor of the CDJA Newsletter. I also wrote articles for Dog Magazines in Canada and the USA.

Being asked to be placed on the ballot is an honour. I thank you for your consideration.

ROBERT D. ENNIS (Regular Classes, January)

Mr. Ennis is a life member of the American Spaniel Club, and for several years served as the Judges Education Chairman. Throughout his lifetime he has been dedicated to the Cocker Spaniel as an owner, breeder, exhibitor, and handler of this wonderful breed.

His devotion to the Cocker Spaniel began on Christmas day in 1962 with the gift of a Cocker Spaniel puppy. After graduating from college in 1973, Mr. Ennis established and maintained a small hobby kennel. Along with his many Cocker Spaniel champions, there were also several Irish Setters that finished their championships.

In 1993 Mr. Ennis was approved to judge Cocker Spaniels and Irish Setters. Currently, he is approved to judge all Sporting, Toy, and Non-Sporting breeds, some Hound breeds and some Working breeds as well as Junior Showmanship and Best in Show. He is honored to be nominated to judge at the January 2019 American Spaniel Club show.

OLGA K. EVELYN (Regular Classes, July)

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. Over those years, my Black and Ascob champions numbered 27 in limited breeding under the registered kennel name, AMUNIQUE. My Cockers have garnered for 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 the end of my breeding program, and this year, being named a Lifetime Member of ASC, 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. Coupled with that passion has been The Cocker College on Facebook. I believe the Cocker College is helping me to serve that sharing purpose and continually being an eternal Student Of The Breed. Along with the Cocker College, I am dedicated to the Cocker Spaniel DNA Cataract Research project.

As a breeder/owner/handler/judge I have the same expectations from this sport as in my former competitive arenas. The most important expectation 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

KELLY LADOUCEUR (Futurity, July)

I have been in the sport of dogs for 20 years. I got my first Cocker in 1997 (from a less than reputable breeder) and never looked back. Despite not having bred many litters, I have been an avid student of the breed, attending many Nationals in both Canada and the US, as well as several Flushing Spaniel Shows. I have finished several dogs, completed obedience and rally obedience titles, and competed in nosework and scent hurdle. I have judged Cocker and all-breed sweepstakes in both Canada and the US. I am a board member of the ASC Foundation, have acted as Obedience Chair for a National Specialty and have previously served as Secretary for the American Cocker Spaniel Club of Canada for 8 years. I am a licensed rally judge for the Canadian Kennel Club and the Canadian Association of Rally O. I compiled and published the ACN Review magazine for 5 years. I am thrilled to have my name on the ballot to judge Futurity and would consider it a tremendous honour should I be chosen. Thank you for your consideration.

JASON LYNN (Regular Classes, January)

Jason Lynn's first involvement with Cocker Spaniels was as a teenager when he occasionally helped Kyle Robinson at shows. After graduating high school he took a full time position with the Pitts and stayed for nearly 10 years where he was fully immersed in the breed.

In 2006 he relocated to the UK and became a partner in the well known "Afterglow" kennel of Mike Gadsby where he continued to show and breed Cockers and helped produce a multitude of champions, Group, BIS and World Show winners and some of the breed's most noted dogs in Britain during the past decade.

In 2017 he co-bred, co-owned and handled the parti dog "Miami Ink," the first Cocker to win BIS at the famous Crufts Dog Show in Birmingham, England. He brings a unique perspective from that of a breeder/owner/handler as well as a professional across two continents.

Thank you.

ELLEN ROBERTS (Futurity, January)

I was born into the dog show world as my mother, Florence Harmon was a breeder of poodles for over 20 years using the Harmonie prefix. My passion for dogs grew as I participated in Junior Showmanship and worked for a few dog handlers. While I was working for a poodle handler, Paul Edwards, I met my husband David.

David and I worked with Ted Young for many years showing Cocker Spaniels and my love for the breed started. We ventured out on our own to show dogs and run a successful dog grooming business in Connecticut. After five years we purchased Pineledge Kennel in 1980 located in Harwinton, Connecticut.

During the time at Pineledge Kennel I showed many breeds including Cocker Spaniels, Bichon Frises and Bearded Collies. I showed over a hundred champions and many Group and Best in Show winners. I also bred Cocker Spaniels and Bichon Frises, producing many champions.

After successfully showing dogs and running the boarding and grooming business we moved to Raleigh, NC, in 1996 where David worked for the American Kennel Club and I started my own dog grooming business.

We have two children, Chris and Shelby. Shelby currently shows Cocker Spaniels and Golden Retrievers. My granddaughter Ava is my pride and joy and keeps me very busy.

I like to spend a lot of my free time in Myrtle Beach, South

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Who Is On The Ballots... (Continued)

Carolina where we have a residence. We both are members of the American Spaniel Club and Cary Kennel Club.

SHELBY ROBERTS (Futurity, July)

I have been involved with cocker spaniels my whole life. My parents, David and Ellen Roberts, were professional handlers in Connecticut during the 80's and 90's. They specialized in Cocker Spaniels and Bichon Frise. My father had worked for Ted Young Jr who also specialized in cockers. As a child, I showed cocker spaniels in junior showmanship for 8 years. My parents retired in 1996. At age 13, I went to work for Mike and Linda Pitts. I worked for them on and off for 8 years. In 2013, I began handling on my own. Over the 4 years I have finished many cockers to their championship. I am currently breeding and hoping to do so more often.

JOSE SERANO (Regular Classes, July)

I breed cockers under the Deranos kennel name. Was very lucky to breed some very nice dogs that contribute to the breed. I have judge several times ASC as well as international. It is a honor to be consider to judge ASC. The pinnacle show of our breed.

CLYDE SHAW, MD (Regular Classes, July)

Clyde and his wife, Barbara, have shown Cocker Spaniels under the Our Gang prefix for over 40 years. They have bred and finished dogs in all 3 varieties of Cocker as well as Dobermans. Clyde also showed his Sussex Spaniel, Jack, to his championship.

Clyde is president of the Greater Collin Kennel Club and has also served as a board member, vice president, treasurer, and show chairman. He is also active in the American Spaniel Club, where he has served as a member of the board, first vice president and 2 terms as president. He was on the standard committee for over 20 years, and is a parent club approved mentor.

Clyde judges the Sporting group, Dobermans, and 18 toy breeds, as well as Junior Showmanship and Best in Show. He has judged the Cocker National, the Sussex Spaniel National as well as best in show at the American Spaniel Club annual Flushing Spaniel show. He has enjoyed many international judging assignments in such places as Norway, Sweden, Finland, Slovakia, Russia, China, Thailand, and Australia.

PIERRE TALBOT (Regular Classes, January)

I would like to offer a sincere thank you to the membership for the nomination to judge the regular classes at the ASC Flushing Spaniel Show for 2019. In 2010, you voted for me to judge the Futurity at the Summer National in Virginia. And this was a great experience. I will never forget. Again, it would be the highest honour to judge ones own breed.

I became actively involved with purebred dogs in the 1980's with the purchase of my first American Cocker and then went on to breed and exhibit under the Kebec's prefix. In the early 90's with Jean A. Delisle, we have bred and owned numerous Champions along with Best in Show Winners. Most of my dogs are Canadian and American champions and some are FCI International Champions.

With me as breeder/owner/handler, my dogs won All Breeds BIS, BIS in Specialties in USA and BIS at Canadian Nationals.

Recently, in 2011 at the World Dog Show in Paris, my parti color dog won the Breed and became World Champion. In 2013 my parti color bitch won Variety at the World Gundog Show in 2013 and was short listed for the BIS. And at the World Dog Show in Budapest in 2013 she was Vice World Winner. She also became Europasieger at the Dortmund (Germany) Show and later won the Canadian National in 2016 in Halifax, Nova Scotia.

My dogs are also Gundogs BIS winners in Europe, South America and the Caribbean.

Judging to me was a natural evolution to add to my experiences in the dog world. It also allows me to remain current with issues of importance to breeders and exhibitors. I am a CKC Conformation Judge for the Sporting Group. I am a Life Member of the Canadian Kennel Club, Member of ASC, Member of the Canadian Dog Judges Association and the St Lawrence Region Dog Judge's Association.

Thank you for your consideration.

VICKIE UMPLEBY (Regular Classes, July)

My passion for Cocker Spaniels and dog shows started in 1970 when I was a ten year old junior handler. It was then that I obtained my first buff cocker named Nonnie. Two years later I was thrilled to attend my first American Spaniel Club show in New York.

In 1980 I started breeding under my Nonnies prefix and have bred and owned about 55 American cocker champions. Most of them I handled myself to their titles and through their specials careers. My most recent litter in 2016 represents the 12th generation of my Nonnies line.

Two of my favourites in the 1990s were the father and son black & tans Am/Can Ch. Nonnies He's Got The Look (Mikey) and Am/Can Ch. Nonnies Nintendo (Mario) Both were National specialty and group winners in Canada, and had nice wins at ASC. My most recent top winner was in 2014, my black dog Am/Can GCH. Nonnies How Sweet It Is (Jason) who won many group placements, a specialty and a BIS in Canada.

In 1997 I started exhibiting English Cocker and have bred and owned about 35 champions in this breed including 4 Best In Show winners in the last ten years. Two of them were Best In Show and Specialty winners in the USA, the father and son blue roans Am/Can GCH. Nonnies Deja Vu (Liam) and Am/Can GCH. Nonnies No Doubt (Stevie). Two others, Am/Can. GCH Nonnies Dressed For Success (Posh) and Am. Can Ch. Nonnies Tall Dark N Handsome (Adam) won Best In Shows in Canada.

In 2007 Adam was the top winning English Cocker in Canada as well as the number 7 sporting dog. In 2010 littermates Liam and Posh were both number one in the breed, Liam in the USA and Posh in Canada. Posh was the winner of Best Of Breed at the American Spaniel club show in 2012 and Stevie won the breed there in 2013. Stevie also won the breed at the Westminster KC show. He was the number 1 male in the breed in the USA from 2011-2013.

Many Cockers of my breeding have had great success as performance dogs and several of my English cockers are excelling as medical service dogs. Needless to say, I am proud of them all.

In addition to my beloved Cockers, I have shared my heart and my home with some wonderful Bulldogs. I have bred and owned several champions and co-owned the number one bulldog in Canada in 2012.

In 2002 I started judging the sporting group and as of July 2017 I am now licensed for all breeds in Canada. I have judged all across Canada as well as in the USA, Czech Republic, Denmark, New Zealand and Mexico.

Away from the dog show scene, my greatest love is my family including my husband, 2 children and 2 grandchildren. I also enjoy my horses, birds and gardens and am passionate about running and fitness. For the last 37 years I have worked as an airline customer service agent and am looking forward to retirement in 2018.

It would be a great honour to judge Cockers at the National specialty in 2019.

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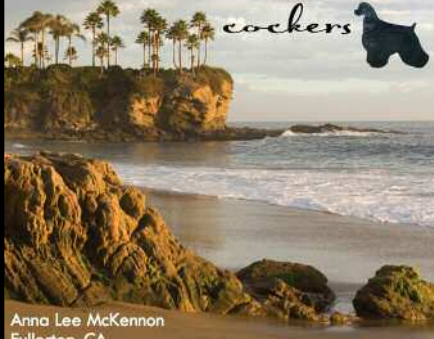
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Scottfree Wizard of Wall Street

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Owned by Anita Bak



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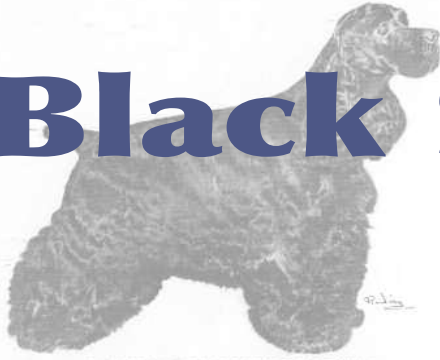
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Handled by: Jessica Legath

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Laurent's Wild One

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AMCH Kaplar's Lord Of The Dance

AMCH Be-Fit's Lovin To Dance

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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 July 2017, as are parents.

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



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;
 203-240-8622; nesmar@live.ca



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 RE MX MXJ OF
 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 - #1 Owner handled black cocker 2017. Sporting Group 2 and 3 Sporting Group 4 wins this year, as well as a Rally Excellent title, Master Standard and Jumpers titles, an Open FAST title, all breeder-owner handled and trained. Produces black, brown, tan points. Sire of 9 champions to date. SLT-PRA clear 7/22/17, OFA Good, PRA-PRCD clear/normal by parentage. In ASC Health Registry.

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

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CH Silverhall Sorcery Black	CH Frandee's Forgery
CH Lydgate Latin Lover	CH Silverhall Sorceress
CH Lydgate Leatherstockings	CH CANCH Lydgate Lawbreaker
CH AKC GCH SHOWSTAR'S SPECTACULAR SPIRIT	CH Lydgate Letter-Perfect
CH Ribo's Masked Man	CH Jem's Visual Lega-C
CH Che-Lee's Licorice Drop	Ribo's Trick or Treat
CH Javalin's Let Me Be Che-Lee ROM	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 are already on the ground. OFA good, eyes clear. PRA A. Frozen or fresh chilled semen is also available.

BREEDER/OWNER: Victor Rosado; showstarcokers@yahoo.com;
HANDLER/AGENT: Lisa Arnett; 989-413-0480; lisaarnett1@aol.com



CH CANCH Bleumoon's Master Of Illusions ROMX-HT	CH CANCH INT Bleumoon's Just One Time
CH CANCH Saratoga-N-Bleumoon's Footnote CD BN RN CGC	CH Bleumoon's Promises To Keep
Bleumoon's Just Dreamin'	CH Bailey's Ninety Eight Degrees ROM-HT, CD RAE NA NAJ
GCH CAN GCH TSUNAMI'S DRESS CODE	CH Bleumoon's Time To Dream
CH CANCH K-Line N Cutts Beyond-A-Doubt LOMX-HT	CH K-Line's Shadow-Of-A-Doubt LOM-HT
CH DamTsunami's Beyond Top Secret ROM-HT	CH K-Line's Melody Of Love LOM-HT
CH Roadshow's Secret Garden	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-prod clear, OFA Eyes 09/2017 clear.

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



ASCOB Stud Dogs

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

Donor: EASH'S COQUETTE Stud Fee \$50	My Own Lady Huntington My Own Black Brucie Ch. The Bell of Huntington Noble Sir Sugartown Coquette	Ch. Torahill Trader My Own Blacklocks Ch. Nannquitt Notable Sugartown Star Bright	Ch. Blackstone Chief Ch. Torahill Troupier Torahill Tidy Red Brucie Sweet Marie II Ch. Torahill Trader Freeland's Fad Ch. Torahill Trader Ch. Freeland's Charity
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- 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 Platinum GCH. Sire of multiple champions, he is OFA'd good and current on his eye clearance. A sound dog in body and mind. Stud fee on request to approved bitches.

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 CGC

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
- Beattie**, 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, eyes CERFed in May 2017, 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; medsb@bellsouth.net

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GCH Nickleby's Hero On The Hudson
 CH Samamari's Hero Worship
 CH Bayserenade N Samamari's That Girl

JOYFUL EVENT'S IT'S ESPECIALLY FOR YOU

CH Darkehaven Bullseye
 Joyful Event's Beguiling Berry
 Helada Hill's Joyful Occasion

CH Lydgate Rise N'Shine
 CH Nitaby's Candy Express
 AM/CAN CH The Villa's Monkey Business LOM-HT
 CH Bayserenade Stellaby-Starlight LOM-HT
 CH Darkehaven's Eye Spy LOM-HT
 CH Darkehaven's Hot Flash
 Bautista Del Cambami De La Gran Aldea
 Helada Hill's Destiny

Andy is available by private treaty. Stud Fee on Request. Sully/Marlo grandson line-bred on old Darkehaven lines. Tall, short-backed, heavy-boned dog with big front and rear, clean croup and tailset, gorgeous head with large dark eyes, heavy mascara'ing and soft expression, scissor bite, all draped in proper hair. OFA Eye Clear, OFA Hips Results Pending; PRA DNA Results Pending. Whelped 6/11/15. Ship SJC or SFO.

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



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.

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 July 2017.

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 February 2017 at 8-1/2.

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



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 Ashleysown 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
 Group 3 and 4 in limited showing in 2017. His offspring are finishing with Specialty majors and Best in Sweeps wins. He is the sire of 13 champions to date. Produces black, brown, tan points. SLT-PRA clear 2/5/17, OFA Fair, PRA-PRCD clear/normal. In ASC Health Registry.

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.

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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. OFA Eye Clear 10/17; 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



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 Kaplar's Lord Of The Dance
CH Juniper's J-Lo

Striker - The number One ASCOB in the history of our breed. SLT/PRA Normal Clear, Thyroid TGaa Negative, OFA Good. Whelped 1/14/2012. Stud Fee on request. See Ad on Pages 6-7 – A Picture IS Worth A Thousand Words!!

OWNERS: Regina M. Beinhauer and Carolee Douglas
At Stud with Mike and Linda Pitts; 865-207-3020 or 724-255-0980



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

CH TRU-LUV & WINCHESTERS TEAM WINELIGHT

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

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 is a strong sturdy dog who is up on leg, hard back, perfect tailset, good bite, pleasing eye, with correct silky coat. Proven pedigree of producing bitches. Thyroid normal, OFA Good, OFA eyes clear. Stud fee on request. Bred for temperament, health, and type.

BREEDER/OWNER: Patricia Elkins, Tru-Luv Cockers; 209-561-9771; www.truluvcockers.com



CH Darkehaven's Feast Your Eyes ROM-HT	CH Darkehaven's Apple Of My Eye
CH Tru-Luv's & St' James Golden Eye RN TD	CH La Baron's She's A Tease
CH CANCH St'james Alice In Wonderland	MALCH St'james Tee Time
GCH TRU-LUV'S EYECATCHER FOR TSUNAMI	BRAZCH St'james Hannah Of Kaolin
CH Swank's Little Black Sambo	CH Ashwood'thrillingopportunity
CH Laurent's Finest Vintage ROM	Swank's Miss Saigon
CH Ashwood's Days Of Wine 'Nroses	CH Laurent's Family Man
	CH Ashwood's Golden Days

Romeo is a very solid RED dog with old pedigree. Proven sire with 2 Champions from his first litter. Producing RED, buff, black and black/tan. OFA good, no slips (OFA), OFA PRA-prcd normal, OFA Eyes 04/2017 clear.

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

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Parti Stud Dogs



CH. DAU-HAN'S DAN MORGAN

Ch. Young's Hailloom	Ch. Honey Creek Hailloom	Int. Ch. Honey Creek Harmonizer
Ch. Young's Split Decision	Ch. Honey Creek Hailloom	Int. Ch. Honey Creek Vivacious
Dun-Mar's Miss Patricia	Ch. Honey Creek Hailloom	Ch. Honey Creek Hailloom
	Dun-Mar's Debutante	Ch. Honey Creek Hailloom
Ch. Dau-Han's Drum Beat	Ch. Dakota's Drum Major	Ch. Honey Creek Hailloom
Ch. Dau-Han's Holiday Flirt	Ch. Dau-Han's Holiday Affair	Ch. Honey Creek Hailloom
Ch. Dau-Han's Holiday Affair	Ch. Honey Creek Hailloom	Ch. Honey Creek Hailloom
	Dau-Han's Merry Miss	Ch. Honey Creek Hailloom



- 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



- CH Loma Point Magic Mirror
- GCH Windsor 18k Rolls Royce CGC
- CH Calfrance's Princess Tiffany
- BIS/BISS GCHB DALINS WEST COAST CONNECTION**
- GCH Sherwood & Lomapioint Captain Crunch
- GCH Loma Point 18k Tequila Sunrise
- CH Loma Point 18'K Moon Goddess
- CH Jpk'n Terje's Hall Of Fame
- CH Westway's Tri'n To Make Magic
- CH Calfrance's Boy Georges
- Calfrance's Lady Shiela Lee
- GCH Windsor 18k Rolls Royce CGC
- CH Superior's Watch Me Shine
- CH Westway's Casting My Spell
- CH Mistiwind's Misdemeanor

Correct, beautiful movement with an outstanding temperament. A breeder's dream. **Dylan** will be available in January after his health testing is complete. Whelped 1/1/16.

Best in Futurity, ASC January 2017; Best of Variety, ASC July 2017; 12 Specialty Best of Breeds; Multiple All Breed Group Placements; 1 Best in Show to date.

OWNERS: David and Linda Donaldson;
864-456-5880 home; 215-630-0886 cell; dalin_one@yahoo.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



- ENGSHCH Fiddle-Stick's Air Force One
 CH Baliwick Tribute By Afterglow
 Afterglow Violetta
CH KAMPS'-NORMANDY N RUBIC'S FIRE POWER
 CH Rubic's Flip City
 CH Kamps'-Normandy N Rubic's Silhouette
 CH Kamps'-Normandy-Javalin's Night Flight ROM
 CH My-Ida-Ho Gunthers Good To Go
 SU CH My-Ida-Ho N'Jems Foxy Mame
 ENGSHCH FCI INT'L CH ARGCH ZACH
 Cilso De La Gran Aldea
 ENGSHCH Ultraviolet Afterglow
 CH Normandy N Detor's City Limits ROM-HT
 CH Kamps'-Rubic's Believe Me
 CH Gindou's Like A Rock
 CH Normandy N Javalin's Top-Flight LOM-HT

Colt was BOV in Futurity at ASC National 2016 and Select Dog at 2017 Flushing Spaniel Club Show. Thyroid - TGaa Negative, CERF - Normal. DNA/PRA clear via parentage. OFA Pending. Whelped 9/17/15. Stud Fee on Request.

OWNERS: Regina Beinhauer, Robert Rubeck, Linda Pitts and Harriet Kamps;
 At Stud with Robert Rubeck; Contact Regina Beinhauer 724-255-0980 or Bob Rubeck 301-991-4208



- 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

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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 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

Ricco - Our VERY special boy!!! WD/BOW and BOV (from 9-12 class) at ASC Flushing 2016. OFA excitement, no slips (OFA), OFA PRA-prcd normal, OFA Eyes 04/2017 clear. His first puppies are showing and winning. As private treaty for approved bitches.

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



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, eyes CERFed in May 2017, CHIC# 113407, PRA PRCD Normal, Thyroid Normal. Stud fee upon request.

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



Spaniel Sleuths

OBO II AND MORRIS & ESSEX

Filling Buckets:

FROM THE OLDEST COCKER CLUB IN THE U.S. TO A MOMENT WITH OBO II

By Wilma Parker

—June 2017—

Probably most of us have our Bucket List. Those things that we hope to do before we leave the planet. Judging the Specialty Show for the Cocker Spaniel Breeders Club of New England was on mine for a long time and this year I was invited to judge their specialty show.

Check! History is a passion of mine along with Cocker Spaniels and the Cocker Spaniel Breeders Club of New England is the oldest Cocker breed club in the country. It was founded in 1922 and this June's show was their 101 specialty show. Show chairs Beth Franzen and Karen Knight pulled out all the stops to make this show an extra special celebration. It was perfect.

The day was warm and sunny and I finished quickly. There were quite a few absences because people and dogs

were sick, and people stayed home worried about exposing their dogs to the new dog flu virus. To prevent accidental contamination I asked all handlers to show the bites on their dogs. My Best of Breed was the beautiful, black puppy bitch Silverhall Sensation only 10 months old shown by Bonnie Pike. With her win Sensation retired a three time win Challenge Trophy, a silver punch bowl donated by Dr. Joseph Redden 53 years ago. That was a special moment for me as the ASC Archivist.

Karen Knight is in charge of their club's historical trophies and she had an exhibit at the show. Maintenance of artifacts can be challenging and it was great to see that this group of old timey artifacts was well cared for and in wonderful shape.

I'm the archivist. I notice these things.



My favorite artifact was a picture of club members taken at a club dinner at the Hotel Lennox in 1944

PILGRIMAGE TO VISIT OBO II

The next day Sam and I drove north using our GPS guiding system to find the Rollinsford Grade School at 525 Locust Street in Rollinsford, New Hampshire. There we paid homage to the great Cocker and English Cocker sire, Obo II. Visiting Obo II's grave has been on my Bucket List for the last 18 years

Obo II was whelped in 1882 and is considered the "father" of the breed. His grave is located in the schoolyard of the only Grade school in Rollinsford formerly known as Salmon Falls.



The school and the Obo II grave are listed on the National Register of Historic Places

The grave is sheltered under trees and the stone has weathered until his name is barely visible. I gently laid my hand on the headstone and thought of all the beautiful and talented Cockers who owe their lives to this remarkable sire—Cocker Spaniels and English Cocker Spaniels. We lingered quietly taking it all in and thinking about the dog and his owner, Mr. J. P. Willey. It's obvious Mr. Willey loved Obo and I'm sure he received the best care as he lived to age 13. A ripe old age even today, but more so when you consider those were the days of distemper and other serious illnesses and they didn't have the vaccines and medical care available as we do today.

An ad in an ages old magazine boasted of helpful hints to dog owners. They recommended that the best way to kill a tick was to lay it on a rock and hit it with a hammer. And the best way to worm a dog is a tiny bit of strychnine on the tip end of your pocket knife. Lord help me!

After a while we looked up to see a young mother with her two children playing on the school yard swings and we stopped to chat. We told her who we were and that we'd come from Ohio to visit Obo II. She told us she'd done a web search on the grave and knew about the dog. She was sorry we weren't able to talk to the school children and tell them more about Obo II. Walking away I heard her say "God bless you."

We couldn't see the grave from the main street so we drove around the school building searching for the headstone. I remembered from pictures. When we couldn't find it we went searching on foot until Sam found it in back of the playground nestled under the trees.

The grave is sheltered under trees and the stone has weathered until his name is barely visible. I gently laid my hand on the

We came back for one last moment and I said my good-byes to Obo. We placed a bouquet of dark purple *Baptisia* (False Indigo) sent with us by Bob Wall on Obo II's grave. We also left a purple and gold rosette, a tribute from the CSBC of NE members, a photo copy of Obo II picture and my ASC Lifetime membership pin on top of his headstone.

As we walked to the car I noticed the street sign noted *Willey Street*, named for Mr. J. P. Willey who once owned all the land around the school and beyond. How nice of the city to honor Mr. Willey this way.



How nice of the city to honor Mr. Willey this way



Saying goodbye

I will always remember Obo II, his owner Mr. J.P. Willey and the gifts they gave to my beloved Cocker Spaniel breed. I was so happy that we were able to visit the grave to pay our respects and I am ever grateful to the club members who stayed to chat and have dinner with us. It was a special weekend in June that I will keep close to my heart.

Check! ✓

Wilma J. Parker is the first and current Archivist for the American Spaniel Club, Inc., and a long-time Cocker Spaniel breeder and judge. Mrs. Parker was pivotal to the establishment of the ASC Historical Archives and continues to be engaged in its development. A genealogist, she is dedicated to preserving the history and artifacts significant to the American Spaniel Club and the Cocker Spaniel in North America. She lives in West Chester, Ohio, with her husband, Sam, and her Cocker Spaniel, Bella.



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Memories of Morris & Essex

By Kate Douglas Romanski

I wasn't until many years later that I realized how important this legendary AKC dog show was to the breed with which I have been involved with for so many years – the English Cocker Spaniel. I also had no idea what special efforts went into making Morris & Essex such a class act. I am so lucky to have been at several of the original shows and, more recently, to two of the revised version held every five years.

In the 1940s-1950s I lived in New York City and was just getting started in my lifelong dog hobby – first by obedience training a very stubborn black (American) Cocker Spaniel in classes conducted by Blanche Saunders in the city and later with my first “show dog”, a black bitch from Kay Mauchel's Hickory Hill line. Trips out of the city to dog shows were few and far between.

My father, Ned Douglas, who had lived in northern New Jersey for many years, loved to take amateur movies of sporting events. One of these was the big dog show put on by Mrs. Geraldine Rockefeller Dodge at her estate in Madison, New Jersey. He considered the Morris & Essex show the only “socially- acceptable” dog show around and so we went each year to look at all the dogs even though Dad was really a cat man.

When I got my first “show dog” from Mrs. Mauchel, it was a given that I should enter “Shadow” at the 1950 Morris & Essex show in the Black Puppy Bitch class. There were 17 entered and of course she didn't place. This was a benched show – they all were in those days – but at Morris & Essex you really didn't have to put your dog on its bench if you didn't want to. I put Shadow there anyway, using my “bench chain” and leather collar as I hadn't quite learned about the convenience of crates. I do not remember if I got a free lunch either! And I was such a cocker nut that I never bothered to look at any other breeds at that 1950 show – not even the English Cockers!

The one thing you did once you arrived was to buy a catalog, as they always sold out. I still have one, but confess to having acquired this 1950 edition years later when it meant more to me as a doggy historian! Always perfect-bound, with a deep orange cover stock and dark purple lettering, the pre-world War II ones even came with a tiny pencil on a string so you could mark the results. The listings for each group were divided by heavier stock with a tab, and there were formal photos of every judge placed before their first assignment listings. And not every AKC recognized breed was eligible to enter this big show – Mrs. Dodge specifically invited only the breeds which she felt would draw a decent entry. One of these was the “Spaniel,

Cocker (English-type)” which she firmly insisted as being designated as the “Spaniel, English Cocker.)”, even though the dogs were merely a “variety” of the Cocker Spaniel until 1946.

In the 1930s the Spaniels, Cocker (American-type) - (yes, they were identified that way!) classes were divided by color: Blacks, Any other solid color (ASCOB didn't happen until 1943) and Parti-color. There were only two Winners classes: “Any Solid Color” and “Parti-color” with a Best of Winners followed by a “Best” in each. After May 1936 there was a third – the “Spaniel, Cocker (English-type)” and these had WD WB, BW and “Best” as well. (The class we now call Best of Variety was termed “Specials Only” and a dog didn't need to be a finished Champion, although most entries were. At the end of the Cocker listings was the phrase: “Best Cocker Spaniel”. In the old 1937 catalog the number penciled in was #766 – the number of My Own Brucie, which had won the breed from the classes!

That 1937 Morris & Essex show was the second ECSCA “national” specialty. Sadly the club does not have formal photos of any of the early winners with the exception of Ch. Giralda's Dandylion, the Best of Variety winner in 1939. But there are some remarkable candid photos which were taken at those pre-war shows including the ring shot of the breed ring in 1939 when Mrs. L. M. Bentley from England drew the huge entry of 80 for the third ECSCA specialty.



Morris & Essex breed ring in 1939

Mrs. Dodge was instrumental in the introduction of the English-type Cocker Spaniel to the United State dog fancy. She worked tirelessly to get them recognized as a separate breed with both the AKC and the American Spaniel Club. Her book *The English Cocker Spaniel in America*, long out

of print, is basically a “stud book” listing every cocker with a pedigree of pure British breeding back five generations.

So where were the first ECSCA National specialties held? At Morris & Essex, of course. Mrs. Dodge would have it no other way I am sure. Back then the ECSCA was licensed by AKC, but was not yet a member club. We were a member club of the American Spaniel Club which oversaw all the flushing spaniel breeds. There were no such things as today’s “designated specialties” and the English Cocker Spaniel was still technically a variety of the Cocker Spaniel. But the ECSCA had an impressive list of trophies on offer and the club members considered Morris & Essex the “National” – at least historically speaking. The breed drew large entries from 1937 to 1941, those years being considered the first five “nationals”. Large entries continued after the war until Mrs. Dodge discontinued the big show after the 1957 event.

A win at Morris & Essex was and continues to be, a most important accomplishment for owners of English

Cocker Spaniels. Weren’t we lucky to have that great patroness of our breed also be the grand dame of the legendary Morris & Essex dog show?

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CHAMPION TO PET THERAPY

“ACE”
“THOMAS”

by Joyce McIntyre

I'm beginning a new series of articles on Cocker Spaniels that are finished champions and have gone on to certify as therapy dogs. This series is titled "CHAMPION TO PET THERAPY". Some have also trained and/or titled in performance events such as agility, rally, obedience, barn hunt, trick dog, dock diving, or any sport that keeps them active and happy.

In the first series of articles, I am featuring two handsome black cocker boys, Ace, MBIS MBISS A/C GCH Mario N Beechwood's Midnight Express CGC CGN TDI and Thomas, CH Marshen's Showin' Me The Way BN RAE OA AXJ XF CGC PAWS of CNY. Both of these boys have stories to tell after retiring or slowing down from the show ring. They are enjoying the thrill of activities and putting smiles on faces of the people they visit. Their stories are told by their humans!

ACE

Ace, MBIS MBISS A/C GCH Mario N Beechwood's Midnight Express CGC CGN TDI was bred by Mark Ragusa and Pam Ragusa. From the time he was six weeks old, Mark would beg me to come and take a look at this "little black puppy". Finally, but reluctantly (because Mark and I had our first litter on the ground under our now Mar-K prefix, and we were excited about a b/t boy in that litter), I went! He was a nice puppy for sure, and so the story began. I remember in one of his first shows at six months old, Mark and I drove to Edmonton Alberta for the Canadian National. In the sweepstakes on Friday night, Mark's shoes were squeaking on the mats, and Ace refused to walk on them. What a great start!! From there history was in the making. He won his first BIS at just 15 months old, and what an honor that was as it was the judge's first BIS assignment. Knowing that the ribbon would go to the owners, I wanted to make sure Pam also had a ribbon, so I ordered her one right away. I never expected what was in store for Ace and his future.

In his first year of campaigning (2011), he won 20 BIS. This was in limited showing so he wouldn't be pushed at such a young age. He ended that year #7 All Breeds in Canada. The following year was definitely a year that Mark and I will never forget. After a few shows at the beginning of the 2012 show season, we ventured off to Westminster Kennel Club never imagining what was in store. We were awarded Best of Variety and were shocked to say the least. The black variety that year was full of a line-up of some of the very best dogs in our breed. After our official win photo, we walked out of the ring and were bombarded with media and microphones. The next two



Ace loves kids!



days I spent countless hours on the phone doing interviews all over the US and Canada. Ace and I took off to shows in Canada that next week-end and were followed at the show by one of the largest TV stations in Ontario. What great press for our breed, purebred dogs, and dog shows.

Ace took every moment, camera, and person petting him in stride. As we continued in Canada in 2012, it became obvious that we could accomplish something that we had never considered... Top Dog All Breeds—and after 57 BIS, Ace became the first American Cocker Spaniel to become Canada's Top Dog. Some of our memorable wins are our record breaking BIS for a Cocker Spaniel in Canada (the 29th BIS) winning his first BISS at 11 months old. To date Ace has won the Canadian National three times (this year he won it from the veteran class), US National, winning our first US BIS and representing Canada at the Eukanuba World Challenge in Orlando. It would seem unfair to pick only some moments in his career that meant more than others because his entire career is made up of so many memorable wins and unforgettable moments. We have had support and shared these moments with friends, family, and the fancy around the world. Throughout his entire career, I knew Ace was special and more than just a "show dog." Still to this day, he travels to every show with me and hangs out on his table waiting for people to pet him. He tries to steal treats from the pockets of those handlers that may stand too close to him!

When did I decide that being a therapy dog was something I wanted us to do??... It was after the school shooting in Sandy Hook in December of 2012 (just one town over from where Mark and I live), I saw therapy dogs and their handlers on TV going to the town to help comfort the peo-

ple of Sandy Hook. I knew that this was the perfect thing for Ace to do. I contacted someone back then but I received no response. I did not know at that time that there was actually a process and organizations dedicated to pet therapy and registries that certified them.

I had talked with Debi Rudman, therapy dog handler and TDI evaluator, on many occasions the last couple of years about doing therapy work with Ace, but I never seriously pursued it until this year. Knowing that Ace's show career was winding down, I felt he still had so much to give back. In August we went to a Therapy Dog International test hosted by Southern New Jersey CSC and evaluator Debi Rudman. Ace and I passed the test with flying colors, and Ace is an official therapy dog registered with Therapy Dog International.



Ace just passed TDI test

By the time this article comes out, we will be doing some of our first visits as a TDI team. I also plan to get him involved with Tail Waggin' Tutors, which is also a TDI program where children read to dogs. I am excited for Ace to begin the next chapter in his life. I know he will use his

magic to put joy in the hearts and smiles on the faces of people he visits.

By Marlene Ness



Ace's first therapy visit

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THOMAS

Twenty-four years ago I was looking for my first dog. A friend recommended a Cocker Spaniel and introduced me to Betty Durland (Dur-bet) and David Kittredge (Kittcar). I got a young finished champion from David and fell totally in love with the “Do It All” cockers. Fast forward to 2010, and the cutest little black puppy came home with me from his breeder, Marsha James (Marshens). I knew that I was in love with this baby boy from the first time I met him and am forever grateful that he is mine!

“Little Black Boy” became Marshen’s Showin’ Me The Way “ or Tom Tom, Thomas, Tommy or Tom. His sire is AM LUX CH Marshen’s Ain’t Seen Noth’in Yet (Leroy), and his dam is CH Hackie Amazing Grace (Maizie). Tommy was introduced to his new life by his 4-legged brothers, Edward and Joseph, and his great Boston Terrier friend, Denver. They made sure he knew how to get along with others and how to be a good family citizen. One of Tom’s first adventures was to an agility trial. He had only been home a week so this was his first major outing. He was the best puppy and probably the most popular dog at the trial. I’d come back to our crating section and someone would be holding him or taking him out of the crate. I kept hearing, “He needs to be socialized”, and HE WAS! Thomas has always been a people-oriented guy!

Being an owner who believes in puppy classes, Tom took a six week class with a traditional trainer, and then began classes at Dottie’s Dog School in Syracuse, NY when he was about six months old. Dottie Hamblin introduced us to clicker training and he picked up on skills very quickly. Tom still attends classes and loves to learn new behaviors. Right now we are working on the new signs for Rally and are looking forward to competing at the Master level. We also train weekly with Jill Tice (En-Tice-ing Agility). The classes keep Tommy active and in good physical and mental shape. He is always happy to hear, “Wanna play?”

We got involved in conformation when Joseph (CH Marshen’s Technicolor Dream) was a puppy. Although finishing Tommy was included in our purchase contract, I



Tommy in 2013
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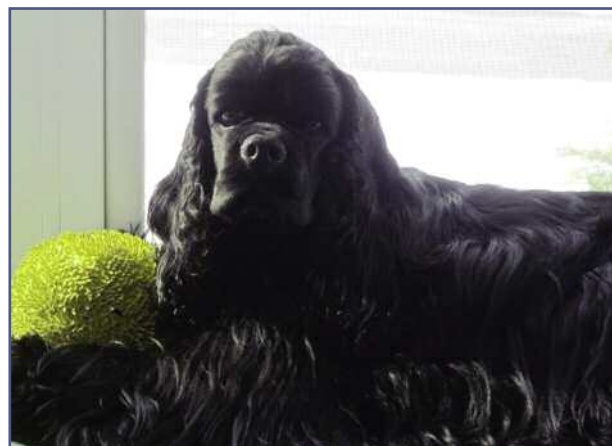


*Thomas experiences
Obedience and Agility*



was very happy to have him shown. I thought he was a beautiful dog, and I was learning what a nicely put together Cocker Spaniel looked like. I also knew enough to appreciate the good things about the champion title. To me it represents not only good looks, but also structure and temperament. Thomas was handled by Ann Morgante and Heidi Armour, and both have become good friends. Tom finished with limited showing and with four majors and one single point. I knew just enough to know that was pretty impressive! Tom was mostly shown in Buffalo and Syracuse NY and finished in November 2011 where Ann handled him to Best of Winners.

While appreciating conformation, my love is training and participating in performance events. That first little cocker from 24 years ago was taken to an obedience class, and I got hooked on training. My first two boys each earned a CD (Companion Dog) title and later I was introduced to agility. All of the dogs since then have had training in both obedience and agility along with earning their Canine Good Citizen certificates. Each dog has achieved a little more than his predecessor, and Thomas has achieved more than any dog I have had. Tommy is the complete package. He is smart, athletic, eager-to-please, and has a great work ethic. I can’t ask for more than that! Thomas is one leg shy of achieving his RAE2 in Rally, and we attended the last two AKC Rally National Championships. We



Thomas loves his ball



Thomas at Christmas time (on sled)



weren't stars, and Tommy was pretty overwhelmed by the atmosphere at that level, but those trips were fun. I cherish the teamwork that it took to get there! In agility we are playing at the Excellent and Master levels. It took "us" a while to settle down and complete the table, contact obstacles, and weave poles. Right from the beginning jumps and tunnels were great because they were fast and fun.

Thomas is now CH Marshen's Showin' Me The Way BN RAE OA AXJ XF CGC PAWS of CNY

I thought about pet therapy with Joseph. We attend an Earth Day event at a local elementary school every year where we talk about dog training and dog safety. Joey was always a hit because he was so friendly. In fact, he was so friendly that he bombed the therapy dog test because he was too interested in the kids who were having a birthday party across the hall... oops! A few years later it was

Tommy's turn. He is also great with kids even though he doesn't have a lot of exposure to them. I had friends who were active with PAWS of CNY and decided to see if Thomas had the potential to flourish in yet another activity. We took and passed the initial evaluation in May. We then had to complete two supervised visits at a nursing home type facility. At our first visit, Tommy

was a little unsure about what we were doing, but he soon became very comfortable when he was offered Cheerios by the residents! His tail was wagging as we went in the building for our second visit, and we became certified in October of this year.

We will continue to do regular monthly visits at that facility; however, my therapy dog goal is to take Thomas into the elementary schools. We will be going several times during the school year to "read" with first graders. PAWS teams also make regular visits to college campuses. There is one in our city, and we will be visiting dorms and the college library for de-stress events before exams. I am really looking forward to these new adventures, and I know Tommy is going to enjoy them as well.

By Judith McManus

Writing about these two outstanding Cocker Spaniels has been a pleasure. Thanks to Marlene Ness and Judith McManus for sharing the stories of their "boys" with us. These testimonies of excellence about Ace and Thomas give true meaning to the phrase, "There is life after a championship!" I am hoping that after reading about their successes in the show ring and performance activities, there will be others that want to pursue pet therapy. I plan to write a series of articles about dogs that have been given the privilege to do just that. If you have a Cocker Spaniel that is a finished champion and you have certified as a therapy dog, please let me know as I would be honored to feature him or her in one of our articles for The Bulletin. Putting smiles on faces and joy in their hearts is an easy job for a "merry" Cocker Spaniel!

Note: *If you need information on how to get started and something about what is required for pet therapy, please feel free to contact me at twinj@windstream.net. If you would like for your "Champion to Pet Therapy" to be featured, please contact me about that as well. I hope to hear from you soon.*

*Joyce McIntyre
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CGC & TDI Evaluator*



Therapy Tom

TREASURER'S REPORT

Fellow Members,

Below you will find a summary of the 2017 Cocker Spaniel National Specialty held at Purina Farms in July. Once again, 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.....\$57,495.05
Fidelity 'Cash Surplus' account.....\$11,522.38
Total Unrestricted Funds.....\$69,017.43
Restricted Funds.....\$124,332.65

Cocker Spaniel National Specialty Show July 2017 Summary of Finances

Revenue	Amount	Expenses	Amount
50/50 Raffle	\$2,330.00	50/50 Raffle	\$1,282.67
Agility - Entries	\$28,598.00	Agility - Entry Refunds	\$2,652.00
Agility - Fundraiser	\$4,384.00	Agility - Fundraiser	\$2,354.80
Agility Trophy - Donations	\$3,085.00	Agility - Trial	\$9,406.83
Awards Dinner	\$5,995.00	Agility - Trophies	\$1,625.60
Candid Photography	\$75.00	Awards Dinner	\$6,473.87
Catalog Ads	\$1,870.00	Catering(Non-dinner)	\$11,500.85
Catalog Sales	\$2,420.00	Catalog Sales	\$75.38
Conformation Trophies & Rosettes	\$7,398.98	Conformation Trophies & Rosettes	\$4,490.06
Futurity	\$184.00	Decorations & Supplies ²	\$3,052.88
Hospitality	\$3,300.00	Futurity	\$276.00
Judge's Seminar	\$125.00	Hospitality (General)	\$4,243.50
Memorabilia	\$15,247.50	Hotel	\$7,906.89
Obedience/Rally Match	\$324.00	Judge's Hospitality	\$204.75
Obedience/Rally Trophies	\$1,195.00	Judge's Expenses	\$6,006.63
Patron Seating	\$4,000.00	Memorabilia	\$10,157.92
Raffle Baskets	\$2,370.00	Obedience/Rally Trophies	\$1,458.57
RV Camping	\$5,810.00	Patron Seating	\$1,573.96
Seating	\$3,060.00	Raffle	\$272.75
Seminar (Breeder/Companion)	\$600.00	RV Camping	\$3,845.00
Silent Auction	\$1,317.00	Seminar (Breeder/Companion)	\$563.87
Streaming Video	\$1,460.00	Tack Room	\$105.95
Superintendent	\$2,727.40	Venue - Purina Farms	\$13,020.67
Tack Room	\$2,900.00	Total Expenses	\$92,551.40
Vendors	\$1,445.00	¹ Repayment from CSSCD & ASC-F	
Venue ¹	\$575.00	² Tablecloths, floral, costume award, markers, eraser, tape, candy, logo design, truck rental	
Total Revenue	\$102,795.88		

Net Income \$10,244.48



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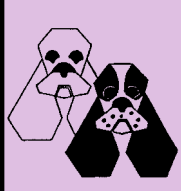
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Ballot Count

*All of the ballots regarding the proposed changes to the Cocker Spaniel Breed Standard have been counted. **The only proposed change that passed was to add the disqualification for blue eyes or blue specks in the eye.***

As previously reported 1032 envelopes were sent out to 985 individual and 47 member clubs. 709 envelopes were returned by November 1, 2017. Ten ballots were received after November 1, 2017. The envelopes were sent to Jimmy Stucky, CPA, in Auburn, Alabama to tabulate the totals of each of the 4 ballots. He actually determined that there were 710 envelopes. As to each of the 4 ballots there were two (2) invalid votes because there were 2 ballots in one envelope. The By-Laws state that "each voter, after marking his ballot, shall seal it in the blank envelope sent out with the ballot and which in turn shall be placed in the second envelope addressed to the Secretary, marked "Ballot" and bearing the name of the member to whom it was sent."

The results are as follows:

BALLOT 1: Proposed change to include disqualification for blue eyes:

Number of ballots returned.....	710
Invalid ballots.....	2
Total number of valid ballots.....	708
Number required to pass (2/3s).....	472
Number of Yes votes.....	512 (72.32%)
Number of No votes.....	196 (27.68%)

This proposed change passed.

BALLOT 2: Proposed change to include undocked tails:

Number of ballots returned.....	708
Invalid ballots.....	2
Total number of valid ballots.....	706
Number required to pass (2/3s).....	471
Number of Yes votes.....	324 (45.89%)
Number of No votes.....	382 (54.11%)

This proposed change did not pass.

BALLOT 3: Proposed change to include solid sable:

Number of ballots returned.....	709
Invalid ballots.....	2
Total number of valid ballots.....	707
Number required to pass (2/3s).....	471
Number of Yes votes.....	337 (47.67%)
Number of No votes.....	370 (52.33%)

This proposed change did not pass.

BALLOT 4: Proposed change to include parti-color sable:

Number of ballots returned.....	706
Invalid ballots.....	2
Total number of valid ballots.....	704
Number required to pass (2/3s).....	469
Number of Yes votes.....	336 (47.73%)
Number of No votes.....	368 (52.27%)

This proposed change did not pass.

*This has been a thoughtful, vigorously debated, and sometimes contentious process, but the membership has spoken. For the good of ASC and the love of our breed, I hope, and I think we will, **all move forward together.***

Linda Moore