

Cavalier Chronicle

President's message

OK, so I am sitting here trying to write a President's note and I want to say something about spring being here and new life and rebirth, but I just can't seem to go there since the temperature is a balmy 25 degrees. Oh well, I guess spring will get here soon and, hopefully, by the time you all receive this all the cold days will be in the past.

In spite of the long cold winter, our club has been active. We had a lovely after-holiday dinner in January, with a very nice attendance. It is nice for us to all be together just to talk dogs and have a wonderful time together. We have decided on a date for our next match, which will be held in conjunction with Responsible Dog Owners Day in September. Our club is participating in "Bark for Life" which will be April 30th at Cooke Park in Colonie, NY. This is a nice way for us to give back to the community, as well as educate the public. I would love to have as many of us attend as possible. Hopefully the AKC moratorium on new clubs and shows will soon be lifted so we can get back on track to have our club approved. We are so close!

I was honored to be asked to judge the sweepstakes at the Meadowlands Club's specialty and had some beautiful dogs to choose from. I was thrilled to have the Dog & Bitch that I chose for Best in Sweepstakes and Best of Opposite Sex win Winner's Dog and Winners Bitch that day.

Now off to Syracuse, to help with the health clinics that Brenda Rath worked so hard to get going. This is their first year and, hopefully, will become an annual event. Health testing for our dogs is such an important part of what we do as breeders so that we may provide healthy puppies for pets, therapy, performance and conformation.

Our National Specialty is right around the corner and though it looks like I probably will not be able to make the trip to San Jose, I hope that all of our members who do go will bring back pictures and new breed information.

Enjoy the spring. It will come and soon the long dark winter will be just a memory.

Carol Rose, Karlee Cavaliers

CLUB FUNDRAISER

Our Club is raffling off a **\$100 Gift Certificate** redeemable to renowned canine artist **Alice Furlong**, THE POOCH PAINTER, with proceeds going to our Specialty Show Fund.

Raffle Tickets: \$3 each or 4 for \$10.

The winner provides a photo of a favorite dog (any breed) and Alice will paint on a selected item (slate, wallet, etc.). The drawing will be held on Sept. 18th at the Responsible Dog Ownership Day in Niskayuna, NY. *You need not be present to win!*

The Fundraising Committee is asking that all Club members help support this fundraiser by purchasing tickets, promoting their sale, and making them available to other "dog" people, friends, family, kennel clubs and performance clubs.

Contact Mary Fontana, mefl@nycap.rr.com_, for tickets or more info.

Search www.poochpainter.com on Facebook to view Alice's work.

Dr. Jean Dodds Seminar

Spend a weekend learning the most up-to-date information about the canine immune system, vaccination protocol, titers, the rabies challenge and hypothyroidism.

April 30th & May 1st 2011 Registration closes April 27th, 2011 Location: Albany Obedience Kennel Club, 535 Wemple Rd, Glenmont, NY 12077

Contact: Chris at *hemlock@nycap.rr.com* or 518-439-2992 to register and for more information.

A Two Paws Up Welcome To Our New Members: Ann & Don Dunham of Geneva, NY:

KNOW YOUR BOARD MEMBERS!

An Interview with Vice President Dr. John & Board Member Barbara Ioia,

Tell us a little about where you grew up and how you met.

I was born and grew up in Brooklyn. Barbara was born in Manhattan but grew up in Scarsdale, Westchester County. We met in college, Hunter College in the Bronx. CUNY was undergoing changes in those years. So, while my college ring says Hunter College, hers says Herbert H. Lehman College. We always say we went to different schools together.

What was your first breed of dog and your first show dog? We got our first dog, a handsome Shih Tzu named Zak in 1971, just before we married. That led to our second Shih Tzu, Sassy, a beautiful little Black and White bitch who we showed to her

Championship. Ch. Kee-Lee's Om Tzo Tza-Tzi (Sassy) was our first show dog, our first champion and also the dam and grand dam of multiple champions. We always showed our own dogs to their championships and their obedience titles.



When did you arrive in the Hudson Valley? We moved to Albany in 1974 when John went to Medical School. This started a whole new life. We were/are members of the Albany KC, Mohawk Valley KC, Troy KC, Southern Adirondack DC and Albany Obedience Club. We were very active in dogs. Even the births of our two children, John and Samantha, didn't slow us down. We moved to the Kingston area in 1983, and started John's orthopedic practice, which did slow down the dog show activity a bit.

And the move to Cavaliers? We thought we were done with dogs in the late 90's and then came the Wes and Carol Cavaliers and Lucy. We have been friends of Carol and Wes since 1975. We showed and trained dogs together and John was even included on breeding a Best in Show Lhasa with them, Kar-Lee's Golden Bandit. We all lived in the Albany area and worked the weekly handling classes and such in the 70's and 80's. It was great fun. When we thought it was time to maybe just get a pet, Wes was convinced we had to have a Cavalier.

We watched Cavaliers in the early years, before and just after they were accepted into AKC. John even attended the first National. There were so many bad fronts and rears but they were such happy dogs. If any dog drew us to Cavaliers it was Carol & Wes's Lucy (CH Karlee's Into the Mystic). We met her when she was 3 months old while John was judging. She was delightful. It is Wes Rose's fault that we are in this breed! We were both so saddened at Lucy's passing last week.

Our first Cavalier is Jack, a Rake son and a Ruby, who we got from Karen Galipeault. He loves working Rally and is John's best buddy on trips to Cape Cod. Then Darlene Petralia and Janet Beck entrusted us with Abby (CH Chanctonbury Abbracadabra), our first Tri, and we are eternally grateful. Timmy (GCH CH Karlee's Pryme Tyme at Bar-Jon) is a Lucy son and was bred by Carol, Kate, Darlene and John. He was a "pick puppy" from the moment John laid eyes on him. At just six weeks he had that movement and that spark. It is nice that he is doing some winning, but we miss the "Little Furball."

You're both very active in dog clubs – tell us about your role with them. Barbara and I are Life Members of Southern

Adirondack DC, Mohawk Valley KC and the Metropolitan NY Shih Tzu Fanciers, which we help found. John is President and Show Chair for our NY Specialty before the Garden and Barbara is Secretary and Permanent Chief Steward. John is AKC Delegate and Show Chair for SADC while Barbara is Vice President. John is the Show Chair for Troy's Spring Fling and Barbara is Show Chair for the October Leaf Peeper Show. Barbara was recently elected to the Board of CKCSCNENY while John is the new VP and has been working to get us approved for AKC license. We have always believed in involvement.



John, when did you start judging? The AKC approved me to judge Shih Tzu in 1982, and I now have the Toy Group, about half the Non-Sporting Breeds, some Terrier Breeds, plus



Best in Show and Junior Showmanship. The AKC recognized John for 25 years as both an AKC Judge and an AKC Delegate for the Southern Adirondack DC. At the time of the award, he was the sixth person in AKC history to accomplish that.

What about your great experiences in dogs? As a judge, I've had so many great experiences, it's difficult to say what

was best. I would have to say that being able to watch, meet and learn from some of the great dog people has been my greatest joy. Learning the Poodle breed from Anne Rogers Clark, Pekingese from Bill Blair or Bill Taylor, watching the Ring Procedure of Anna Katherine Nicholas or Bob Sharp, to name just a few.

As a couple, finishing our first Champion, our first CD, our first litter, our first homebred champions has to be on top. Whenever you get to see a healthy newborn pup come into the world it's a miracle.

And your biggest disappointment? Seeing some breeds become over-groomed, over-coiffured, over-handled caricatures of their former original type. This is probably the major reason for not showing Shih Tzu any more.

What about your life outside the dog world? Barbara was

a High School Science teacher, a Research Assistant and a great mom to our two kids. She was a major force in the PTA and the Building Leadership Team at our Elementary and Middle School, Vice President of the Hospital Auxiliary and VP of the Catskill Ballet. John is a busy Orthopedic Surgeon, still trains and teaches a Korean Karate, Tang So Do as a 4th Degree master instructor and until recently played guitar for blues-rock group called Blind Date.



What about your non-dog menagerie? Perhaps it's rebelling because of our childhoods without pets, but we seem to collect animals. Edgar the Great, our mini-lop bunny lasted many years beyond his supposed expiration date. Elvis the Iguana: beware what you promise your children--it may grow to 4 feet and live 20 years. Multiple shelter or previously feral cats, who rule the house and use the dogs for entertainment. Let's not mention the Goldfish or the African Cichlid experience.

What are your goals for our dogs? All we want is happy, healthy, long-lived dogs-- but a Best in Show would be nice. Over the years, we've cried just as much for our pets as our champions.

What about your goals for the CKCSCNENY? We want this to be a club that is successful in attracting good people to this marvelous breed, to educate them and to work for the betterment of our breed. John's particular goal is to fulfill a promise to have our club recognized and licensed by AKC and to have our first Specialty. We would love to bid on a National and to work with our neighboring clubs to have a multi-day specialty and education program week.

And finally, your personal goals? To be as good a person as our dogs think we are.

ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual meeting and party was held on January 8th, 2011. New positions were voted on and you can view a list of the new board on the back page of this newsletter. We had a new venue this year at The Vista @ Van Patten Golf Club. Reviews say it was a good time had by everyone that attended and we want to go back there again. The food, service and facility was wonderful. The club made \$1013. in funds due to the generous contributions of vendors and clubs members. Thank you to all that contributed whether you could be there or not.



Loving Daisy

I have a theory—and I think you may agree—there is a significantly higher probability of our dogs needing medical attention on holidays. This theory also applies to nights, weekends, and any other time when the vet's office is closed.

I woke up on Labor Day, and instantly knew something was not quite right. My energetic, loveable "alarm clock," aka my four-month-old puppy Karlee Gray Stone Loving Daisy (Rossbonny Ruff N Ready x Karlee's Somebody to Love), was QUIET—and it was after 7:00AM. I leaned over the side of my bed and opened the door of her crate to find Daisy curled up in a ball with her eyes squeezed shut. She cocked her head, opened her eyes and then immediately squeezed her left eye shut again.

That morning, I drove to the emergency 24-hour clinic closest to our house. The vet confirmed that Daisy had an ulceration in her left eye but assured me that it was a minor, rather superficial ulcer that would heal nicely. I was sent away with ointment, told to check in with our regular vet in a week, and assured that there was "nothing to be concerned about."

Within 48 hours, I had passed concerned and was rapidly approaching distraught. I awoke very early on Wednesday morning with a horrible gut feeling. I opened Daisy's crate and when she looked back up at me, my fear was confirmed—her eye was "blown." What had been a beautiful rich chocolate brown eye was now red and bulging and looked like a horror movie prop. I rushed Daisy to our regular vet. She told me that I had to get Daisy to a specialist as soon as possible but, no matter what, Daisy was **probably going to lose her left eye**.

I got back into the car and flew (but driving as safely as possible when both Daisy and I were frantic and crying) the 75 miles to Tufts University Cummings School of Veterinary Medicine in North Grafton, MA. The efficient Tufts staff grabbed Daisy from my arms as soon as we rushed in. She was diagnosed with a "full-thickness defect of her left cornea approximately 10 millimeters in length with iris tissue protruding from the defect". The cornea was perforated and the iris had moved forward to fill the wound.

For the second time that day, I was informed there was a strong possibility that Daisy would lose her eye. But, that there was a surgery that the doctors could do to try to save the eye. Armed with my credit card, I told them to do whatever they could—it was a Hail Mary Pass.

Daisy ended up getting a new eye—or at least a new piece of a cornea. Dr. Stephanie Pumphrey used a frozen donor full-thickness corneal graft and a conjunctival graft (tissue from the white part of her eye) to cover the injury. The surgery was only the beginning of Daisy's long road to recovery.

My husband, Collin, and I are still not entirely sure what caused the injury. It could have been a twig in our yard that poked her in the eye, it could have been a toy, it could have been anything. Whatever it was, Daisy isn't telling! We don't even know if the trauma was originally more serious than first diagnosed, or if it developed into a melting ulcer or if she injured herself rubbing the sore eye.

The treatment following the injury has been quite intensive. The initial at-home treatment included a ten-page instruction manual and nearly 30 eye drops per day, given at specific times and in a specific order. There were numerous appointments: I was driving Miss Daisy back and forth to Tufts on a regular basis.



One month after surgery

Through this all, there are a few lessons that I've learned:

An eye injury is <u>*always*</u> an emergency</u>. This is worth repeating: an eye injury is *ALWAYS* an emergency. If your dog squints, blinks repeatedly, has unusual discharge or tries to rub his eyes then you should run, not walk to the vet.

Puppies have to LEARN to close their eyes. This isn't inherent—puppies usually learn at 3-4 months of age to close their eyes when foreign objects approach. Daisy was a slow learner. Like most cavaliers, Daisy did and DOES happily rush into life with her eyes wide open.

Surgery or a medical consultation with a vet is only the first step. The follow-up care is the make-it or break-it stage. Strict adherence to the medication schedule is critical. Do whatever you need to do to ensure that you give your dog every single dose of eye drops, at the exact time that they are due. When you have a dog with a serious eye injury, you don't sleep, it's hard to eat and you begin to track your life in one hour increments. Every hour they need eye drops and the eye drops have to be administered with five minute breaks between drops. I created an Excel spreadsheet listing all medications, and the number of doses broken down by day. When your dog needs 26 eye drops a day, you need a tracking mechanism. When you are too tired to know what time it is, set an alarm. Whatever you do, do not miss any medication!

All eye medications are not created equal. Eye drops prescribed for scratches are not the same as ointment prescribed for ulcerations which aren't the same as eye drops prescribed for infections. Sometimes it's necessary to flush the eye; sometimes flushing the eye can be harmful; sometimes lubrication is necessary; sometimes lubricating eye drops will wash away other more vital drops. Find an expert and follow their instructions.

Dogs do not like eye drops. Puppies HATE eye drops. Necessity is truly the mother of invention. It helps to swaddle the puppy like a baby; this keeps the puppy still and makes her feel more secure. It's better to administer the drop from behind the dog's head instead of reaching towards the head. Don't pull the bottom lid down; pull the top lid up—better to brace your hand against the skull than risk accidentally poking your squirming dog in the eye. Treats, treats and more treats...treats make any experience a good experience.

The E-Collar is not optional. A dog with an eye injury will try to paw at their eye constantly, even obsessively. My husband and I only removed Daisy's E-collar (we affectionately nicknamed her cone-head) once she was swaddled and during the eye drops and then reaffixed it before she was unswaddled. The first few days she bumped into walls, but she adapted and didn't let it slow her down. She wore the E-collar for three months of the first seven months of her life.

Dogs are resilient and adaptable. They don't need to read, write or drive a car so even if their vision isn't perfect, they are still able to find and fetch a ball happily, chase squirrels and have fun. Daisy wasn't allowed to run or play with toys for several months after surgery. She got inventive and started playing "hide and go seek" by herself. She chewed on her swaddling blanket, used her E-collar to scoop up fall leaves and darted around our house ignoring my pleas to walk not run. The "must play" gene she inherited from her mom, Gloria, couldn't be contained. I feared that the trauma and resulting pain of a serious eye injury, surgery and the months of recovery would make her mean and untrusting. I am happy to report that the exact opposite occurred. I think this is a testament to the Cavalier temperament and spirit. The bond between Daisy and me was strengthened and Daisy gives Dr. Pumphrey hugs and kisses even after the most invasive of eye exams. Six months after the surgery, Daisy now takes eye drops in stride. I pick her up during a game of fetch, administer an eye drop, put her back down and she doesn't miss a step.

You know your dog best; if something doesn't seem right, it's probably not, You shouldn't be afraid to ask

questions. Dogs may not be able to talk but they certainly are able to communicate with **their** people.

Donation is an option. The death of a beloved pet is never easy but through modern medicine, it's possible to turn your loss into a gain for another animal and family. Daisy can see thanks to the dog and family who decided to donate a healthy cornea.

Did I mention that an eye injury is *always* an emergency? Well, it is!

While caring for our little wildflower Daisy hasn't always been easy, it's always been worth the effort and loving Daisy has never been hard.

Sheli Seguin_

Daisy plays happily at home with Magnolia, a four year old tri-color Cavalier, and Sheli and Collin Seguin, the daughter and son-in-law of Club members Bill and Greta Smith.



Six months after surgery

What meds were used on Daisy?

In the beginning, she had a "cocktail" of eye drops and oral medications administered throughout the day. Some of the meds were used to reduce swelling and inflammation, others were for pain, others were antibiotics, and one was a general eye lubricant. By Week 7, Daisy was being weaned off many of the meds. Initial meds used were:

<u>In Ophthalmic Solutions</u>: Ciprofloxacin, Atropine, Dexamethasone/ Neomycin/Polymyxin B, Sodium Chloride drops and the lubricant "I Drops"

<u>Administered Orally</u>: Clavamox, Gabapentin, Flurbiprofen, Tramadol, Prednisone.

This was obviously a potent mix of drugs which should only be administered under the close supervision of a medical specialist.

MEET OUR MEMBERS

Kara Grogan. lives in Greenwich, NY with her fiancé Dean. The couple have been together for almost 10 years. Kara, a secretary at Empire State College in Saratoga Springs, was born into what she calls a "very doggie" family and grew up with English Springer Spaniels and Coon Hounds. Her aunt, Faith Grogan, has bred and shown English Setters for 20 plus years. Her

grandmother, Hope Grogan, has owned Australian Shepherds for around 30 years and has competed in obedience, agility and currently rally. Kara says "My Gram put me in my first Junior handling class with an Aussie when I was 4 years old."

When Kara was 12 years old, she rescued a 6-month old dog named Circle who became her best friend and "partner in crime" for 15 years. According to Kara, "Circle was abused pretty badly before I got him and, needless to say, was not the nicest dog to anybody but me. That's why we started playing agility in 1997. It turned his life around, built his self confidence and shrank his fear of other people. It was pretty good for me too."

Kara credits Agility with teaching her focus, control, drive and to work very hard to

get a desired outcome. She claims to be "so addicted that I will run just about any dog for anybody!"

In 2006, she got her Cavalier, Rebel, from Darlene Petralia and Peggy Grapp. She and Rebel (Gray Stone Peglen Quaker CGC OA AXJ NF CLI CL2 CL3) have been competing in Agility for 3 years now. She says she "can't thank Darlene and Peggy enough for this awesome little guy. He has numerous agility titles, knows loads of tricks and is heart clear at 5."

Kara joined CKCSCNENY in 2004, became the Club's Webmistress in 2005 and has been the Sunshine Committee since 2009. She was the Club Secretary from 2008-2010.

Kara notes that she is also currently training and competing with "Cutter, one of my Gram's Aussies, and we are 'sharing' her new Aussie puppy, Puffin. I will be showing her in conformation and agility, and my Gram is going to do some rally. Look for us in the ring this summer!"

Donna Tessitore and Joe, her husband of 38 years, live in Saratoga Springs, N.Y. They have two married children (Bryan and Joanna) and three grandchildren. An Occupational Therapist for a school district, Donna works with K-12 children who have a wide range of developmental disabilities.

In 1999, after her 16 yr. old Lhasa Apso passed away, Donna completed a questionnaire to help identify a breed that would best match her life style. Surprise! The answer was a Cavalier King Charles Spaniel. She got Sampson in March 2000 from Darlene Petralia and in 2007, another of Darlene's puppies, tri-color Tucker (Sevenwoods Gray Stone Fionn).

Donna and Tucker started agility lessons in 2008, encouraged by her friend Kara Grogan who helped her find a trainer at JAZZ Agility. Since May 2009, Donna, Tucker, Kara and her dog Rebel, go to many Agility trials and performance events together.

Although Tucker has achieved his AKC Novice Standard and Jumpers title, Donna realized he did not like jumping at 12-inches and was not having fun anymore. She started him over in Novice Preferred so he could jump at 8inches. He is much happier and is faster and just earned his AKC Preferred Open Standard. Tucker also competes in CPE Agility Trials (K9 Performance Events) where he earns titles by playing games. "Initially, Tucker was my Velcro dog and refused to leave my side," Donna said. "Now he is much better working away from me, as seen in the photo."

In December 2010, Donna got Kyla (Helmsdale's Kyla at Tweed), a Black & Tan, from Anita Helms. Kyla started Agility training in February.

Donna finds Agility to be a fun way to enjoy and play with her dogs. "I never

expected to do anything like this," she said. She loves doing Agility with her dogs and her goal is "to continue until I can't physically play anymore, but then again I will probably find a way. Agility is fun, decreases stress from working all week. Socially it's great for me and my dogs, and as a sport its exercise you can't beat."



A PRIMER FOR AKC PERFORMANCE EVENTS TITLES

AKC Companion events allows everyone to be involved in dog-related sports. These events are a great way for a dog and owner to develop a strong bond, win titles, and have a lot of fun. Owners of all ages and even those with disabilities, including using a wheelchair, are often seen in the ring with their dogs. The AKC and other performance-sponsoring organizations seem to be developing new activities and titles on a regular basis. In AKC Performance events, any dog registered with the AKC may participate, including dogs who have been spayed or neutered.

<u>Obedience</u>, one of the AKC's oldest traditions, is a sport of finesse, precision and accuracy and demonstrates how well a dog is attuned to the requests of the handler.<u>Agility</u> is one of the fastest growing sports in the U.S., and since the first Agility Trial in 1994, is also the fastest growing AKC event.Agility's fast pace requires nearly flawless communication between handler and dog as the dog navigates through an obstacle course while racing against the clock.<u>AKC Rally</u>, the newest of the events, is an outgrowth of Obedience and is based on rally-style auto racing with the dog/handler team navigating a course made up of signs giving directions which the team must execute.

The AKC offers three types of Agility classes: <u>Standard</u> where the dog must place one paw in a contact area to complete the obstacle, <u>Jumpers</u> <u>with Weaves</u> which only has jumps, tunnels and weave poles with no contact points to slow the pace, and <u>FAST</u> (Fifteen and Send Time) which is designed to test the handler/dog team on strategy skill, accuracy, speed and distance handling. The handler also has the option to enter the dog in the Preferred class of competition in order to allow the dog to jump at a slightly lower height level which might be more comfortable for that particular dog. Agility titles earned in the Preferred class have the letter "P" to the end of each title abbreviation.

Successful competition dogs can earn a myriad of titles, most of which are abbreviated after their registered names. The table below is a simplified explanation of some of these titles.

There are other agility groups that offer other titles for playing other agility type games.

AKC Agility Titles (from beginning to championship)

NA: Novice Agility--awarded to dogs who earn three Qs (qualifying scores) from at least two different judges in Novice A and/or Novice B Agility class.

OA: Open Agility--for dogs who receive three qualifying scores from at least two different judges in Open Agility class.

AX: Agility Excellent--for dogs who earn three qualifying scores from at least two different judges in Excellent A Agility class.

AXJ: Excellent Jumpers with Weaves--requires three qualifying scores from at least two different judges in Excellent A Jumpers with Weaves class.

MX: Master Agility—for dogs who have earned the Agility Excellent title and have also qualified the required number of additional times in the Agility Excellent class at AKC agility trials.

MXJ: Master Jumper with Weaves--requires 10 qualifying scores in Excellent B Jumper with Weaves agility class under two different judges.

MACH: Master Agility Champion—the ultimate AKC agility title earned by achieving a minimum of 750 championship points and 20 double-qualifying scores obtained from the Excellent B Standard Agility class and the Excellent B Jumpers With Weaves class. The MACH title is placed before the dog's full name. Once a dog has achieved MACH status, the dog may continue to compete at the MACH level and after again successfully completing the MACH requirement may add a numerical designation to the title. For example, "MACH 2"

AKC Companion Titles

CGC: Canine Good Citizen–An AKC two-part program that stresses responsible pet ownership for owners and basic good manners for dogs. The title and certificate is awarded to any dog who passes a 10-step test to demonstrate good manners at home and in the community. The CGC program lays the foundation for other activities and training. All dogs, purebred or mixed breed, may earn this title.

AKC Obedience Titles (from beginning to championship)

CD: Companion Dog--for dogs who have received qualifying scores from three different judges in Novice classes at three obedience trials.

CDX: Companion Dog Excellent--awarded to dogs who have received qualifying scores from three different judges in Open classes at three obedience trials.

UD: Utility Dog--for dogs that have received qualifying scores in Utility classes by three different judges at three obedience trials. Exercises in UD obedience trials include Signal Exercise, Scent Discrimination, Directed Retrieve, and Directed Jumping.

UDX: Utility Dog Excellent—awarded to a dog with a UD title who has earned qualifying scores at 10 trials.

OTCh: Obedience Trial Champion—awarded to a dog who has won 100 points and a first-place in Utility B and Open B classes, plus a third first-place win in either class, under three different judges.

NOC: National Obedience Champion--awarded annually to the dog who wins the AKC National Obedience Invitational. The NOC title is typically placed before the dog's name and remains a part of the dog's AKC-registered permanent title.

AKC RALLY TITLES (from beginning to championship)

RN: Rally Novice—awarded to a dog who has been certified by 2 different judges to have received qualifying scores in Novice classes at 3 licensed or member rally trials.

RA: Rally Advanced--a dog who has been certified by 2 different judges to have received qualifying scores in Advanced classes at 3 licensed rally trials.

RE: Rally Excellent--a dog who has been certified by 2 different judges to have received qualifying scores in Excellent classes at 3 licensed rally trials.

RAE: Rally Advanced Excellent—awarded to a dog who has earned qualifying scores in both Advanced B and Excellent B classes at 10 separate licensed rally trials. Once achieved, a dog may continue to compete and a numeric designation will indicate the number of times the dog has met the RAE requirements, i.e. RAE2, RAE3, etc

12/02/11 - New litter: 3 puppies, two Black and Tan males and one Ruby female from AKC/CKC CH Stonehaven's Muddy Waters x Leelyn's Lilac Lace, whelped by Holly Cornwell

12/06/11 - New litter: 4 puppies, two Blenheim females, one Blenheim male and one Tri-color male from Rossbonny Ruff N Ready x CH Legacy Simply Irresistible, whelped by Donna Schuster

12/19/10 - Delaware Water Gap KC: (4 pts) Karlee Gary Stone High Society (Gimlet (Brunson)) won OS, WB to receive her CH title



12/28/10 - Elora Gorge Shows, Canada: (5 pts) AKC CH. Karlee Peglen Rumbunctious (Reckless (Rose)) won BOW,WD

01/07/11 - New litter: 3 puppies, one Blenheim girl, one Tri-color boy and one Tri-color girl from AKC/CKC CH Gray Stone Karlee Ambrose x Rossbonny Rainor Shine, whelped by Carol Rose and Darlene Petralia

1/14/11 - KC of Buffalo: (5 pts) GCH Karlees Pryme Tyme at Bar-Jon (Timmy (Ioia)) won BOB and GRP4; (1 pt) CH Stellar Fireball (Oban (Knauss)) won SEL; Stellar You Are Everything at Tycwn (Tucker (Knauss)) achieved his first leg in Novice A Rally

1/15/11 - KC of Buffalo: (5 pts) GCH Karlees Pryme Tyme at Bar-Jon (Timmy (loia)) won BOB; (2 pts) CH Karlee's Hotshot at Huntingridge (Billy (Schuster)) won SEL

1/16/11 - Ashtabula KC: (2 pts) GCH Karlees Pryme Tyme at Bar-Jon (Timmy (Ioia)) won SEL

Southern Adirondack AG: Excellent A Jumpers (AXJ) Gray Stone Peglen Quaker CGC OA NF (Rebel (Grogan); Novice Agility Preferred (NAP) Sevenwoods Gray Stone Fionn NA NAJ (Tucker (Tessitore))

1/21/10 - Culloden Zither (Zoey (Amon)) celebrated her 16th birthday. Zoey and was invited back to Cornell for a follow-up exam on 3/8/11.

3/5/11 - Schenectady Dog Training Club: Novice Agility Jumpers Preferred (NAJP). Sevenwoods Gray Stone Fionn NA NAJ NAP (Tucker (Tessitore))

3/11/11 - Monticello New York KC: (1 pt) Karlee Gray Stone Play It Again (Lucky (Smith)) won WD

3/13/11 - Saw Mill River KC: (1 pt) Karlee Gray Stone Play It Again (Lucky (Smith)) won WD

3/20/11 - Schenectady Dog Training Club: Open Agility Preferred (OAP) Sevenwoods Gray Stone Fionn NA NAI NAP (Tucker (Tessitore))

3/25/11 - New Brunswick KC: (4 pts) CH. Karlee Peglen Rumbunctious (Reckless (Rose)) won SEL to obtain his GCH title.

We apologize for any errors or omissions and please contact us so we can correct this in the next issue.

THE MORATORIUM

Many AKC Delegates, Show Chairs and Club Secretaries received an interesting Valentine from AKC. At its February meeting, citing concerns regarding a decline in entries, the Directors of AKC voted to impose a "Moratorium" on admitting or licensing new clubs or new shows.

There was a lengthy discussion on the proliferation of new shows and the negative impact this was having on the entries at long established events. With thirteen All-Breed, twenty Group, and one hundred and fifty-seven Specialty clubs at the Sanctioned Match level there could be as many as three hundred and eighty additional shows within the next year or two.

There was a motion by Mrs. Strand, seconded by Mr. Kalter, and it was VOTED (unanimously) to place an indefinite moratorium on. the licensing of new Conformation clubs, with the exception of new breed Parent clubs, while AKC studies the issue of the increase in. the numbers of shows accompanied by average decline in entries.

There was a motion by Mr. Kalter, seconded by Mr. Davies, and it was VOTED (unanimously) to not approve any additional All-Breed or Group shows for existing clubs while the AKC studies the issue of the increase in the number of shows accompanied by declining entries. Thus an All-Breed or Group club that has been holding one show a year will not be approved for more than one show a year: -AKC BOD 2/11/11

For CKCSCNENY, this means we will not be licensed to hold a specialty point show until the moratorium is lifted. I have been in direct telephone and email contact with AKC Club Relations. We should not lose heart. We can and should continue to hold club events, matches and all the things we love to do with our dogs. There is discussion at the Board level to admit clubs who were, as we are, "in the pipeline" for admission. We are/were completely qualified and simply awaiting the approval of the Club Committee. Wagging tails to all

Dr. John Ioia, Bar-Jon Cavaliers

IDENTIFY THAT CHEW TOY

In picture (F) Carol Rose has given an object to chew on for her new puppy, Chase. The first person that responds correctly to what it is will win one of these. Carol says they are almost indestructible and the puppies love them. You must respond via email to *mpbrunson@rochester.rr.com* Please put in the subject line: the chew toy is...

OUR CAVALIERS



A & B Toby Dagastine, C-Lucky Smith & Daisy Seguin, D-Paisley, Callie & Ghille with Lynn Beman, E - Paisley Beman, F - Chase Rose, G - Oliver & Preston Rath with Devin, H - Reckless with Carol Rose, I - Oliver & Chester Rath (grandson and grandfather), J - Oliver Rath



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Identify that chew toy, contest inside!

CAVALIER CHRONICLE

Calendar

April 30th Bark for Life Cooke Park, Colonie, NY

April 30th & May 1st, 2011 Dr. Jean Dodds Seminar, Albany Obedience Club, 535 Wemple Rd., Glenmont NY 12077

May 18th, 2011 Club Meeting, Route 7 Diner, Latham, NY

August 12th, 2011 Club Supported Conformation event and meeting, Ballston Spa, NY

September 18th, 2011 Responsible Dog Ownership Day, Niskayuna, NY

October 1st, 2011 Club Supported Conformation event and meeting, Wine Country Cluster Sampson State Park, NY

Nov 16th, 2011 Club Meeting, Route 7 Diner, Latham, NY

CURATOR'S CURIOSITY CORNER



Black & Tan King Charles Cavalier Spaniel, c.1840 Oil on Canvas, 15" x 13," unsigned, in Gilded Louis XV style frame. Attributed to Friedrich von Amerling (1803-1887) Austrian portrait painter in the court of Emperor Franz Josef Asking Price: \$10,800 Photo courtesy Hamshere Gallery, London, England

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