



Cavalier Chronicle

President's Message

Fourth of July 2017. When you receive this newsletter the Fourth will be in the past, but right now for me there is nothing as nice as sitting on the deck with the dogs after a busy day of bathing, mowing and paperwork. No fireworks, no hoopla. Just peace and quiet. Time to contemplate on how fortunate we are to live in this country... I recently read a book called *The Midwife's Revolt* that took place during the American Revolution. There were some pretty strong women who played a role in the revolution. It led me to the book *Drums Along The Mohawk*, which I image for some of you may have been required reading in high school. Another novel taking place right here where we live during the Revolution. Such a fascinating time in our country. I am sure you are asking what does this have to do with dogs? Nothing really except that we are currently living in a time when our rights to own dogs are slowly being taken away. Thus, our revolution. We need to fight the Animal Rights people so that our children and generations to come will be able to experience the love and companionship of having a dog of the breed of their choice. Please make sensible choices when donating to rescue organizations. For us, being Cavalier lovers, I believe the best place to support is ACKCSC Rescue Trust. They are always in need and you will be helping our breed.

It appears that everything is going well for our Specialty. Donations for the Auction are always needed. We have always prided ourselves in having high quality items. We would like

to keep up that reputation, so please contact Greta Smith with anything that you would like to donate. Everyone is welcome attend our opening night welcome party on Thursday evening. There will be Wine, Craft Beer, and Hard Cider tasting, along with a tasty cheese and fruit platter. We are also offering obedience and rally run throughs on Thursday evening. Friday evening is our Cavalier Pupalooza. Everyone is invited to bring their dog for a little fun. Pizza will be served. Saturday evening is the banquet and live auction. It's always a great evening. Of course during the day we have the judging of the dogs. We have two very respected Judges, one from Ireland and one from Canada, who I'm sure will do a wonderful job judging our dogs.

On another note Mary Pat Brunson and Lynn Beman, who have done our newsletter for seven years now, have decided to step down. They have done an amazing job on this newsletter, but feel that it is time for someone else to take over. Please consider volunteering for this job. Mary Pat and Lynn are willing to guide anyone who would be interested. It would be very unfortunate to have this newsletter go by the wayside. It has been such a good way of communicating with the entire membership. It's not a difficult job and, with their guidance, I know we can keep it up. New blood and new ideas are always good.

Enjoy these beautiful days that we have been having and I'm hoping to see each of you at our show in August

Carol Rose, Karlee Cavaliers

HELP WANTED:

Newsletter Editor who wants to volunteer to keep our newsletter going. Lynn and I have been doing this for seven years and it is time for somebody else (or a team) to step in with some fresh ideas. It's an opportunity for you to participate in our Club whether you are near or far. And a chance to let your creative side shine. You will have a clean palette to do what you wish.

Lynn and I will be of assistance if wanted.

Contact either one of us about questions lbeman@hvc.rr.com or mpbrunson@rochester.rr.com or let Carol Rose know you are interested

This is our last issue and we hope you have enjoyed the news with photos, education and the occasional humor. We enjoyed doing it and are proud of what we offered. Best of all we are still friends despite a few disagreements along the way!!

Mary Pat Brunson, CobbHill Cavaliers & Lynn Beman, Trisdonn Cavaliers





LATEST CLUB EVENTS:

Bark for Life

The CKCSCNENY was one of the sponsors for the Albany area “Bark For Life” event held in May. Carol put together a dog-themed raffle basket to help raise funds for a Cure. Our booth featured Cavaliers in all four colors, including puppies, something that the visitors really enjoyed. We also handed out our new brochures which provide information about Cavaliers, how important it is to buy from a responsible breeder, and how to identify a responsible breeder. Carrie Cronin, one of our newest Club members, and her B&T “Tippy,” who spent part of the day comfortably ensconced in her stroller, was one of the organizers of the event. It’s nice to see newer Cavalier owners and members being involved with our activities.



AKCSC National Specialty

Several of our members and their dogs were in Minneapolis for this year’s National Specialty. John and Barbara Ioia (Bar-Jon) helped with the set-up and served as Ring Stewards on Monday and Tuesday. Carol Rose (Karlee Gray Stone) and Pat Martello drove Carol’s motorhome from New York State to Minnesota. Their trip was worthwhile. Carol Rose’s and Darlene Petralia’s handsome “Rebus” (GCH Rosssonny Rebus) won 9-11 yr Veteran Dog. At almost 10 years old, this lovely boy still loves showing. Carol also had other successes at the show: “Miki”



(Chanctonbury Devil May Care) was 2nd in 6-9 puppy class; “Whiskey” (Karlee Gray Stone A Bit Of Paradise) 4th in 12-15 month class; and “Buster” (CobbHill Absolute Altitude, bred/owned by Mary Pat Brunson and co-owned by Kate Rose-Szczesny) won a very nice American Bred Class. “Buster” and “Miki” are both sired by Carol’s handsome boy “Reckless” (AKC GCH CH CAN CH Karlee Peglen’s Rumbuntious). John Ioia also served as an unofficial photographer for the show, providing everyone with terrific daily photos of human and canine participants.

On Friday, following the National, at the Twin Cities Cavalier King Charles Spaniel Club Regional Specialty, Bill and Greta Smith’s dog “Axl” (Multiple BISS GCH CH Karlee Gray Stone Guns And Roses), handled by Pat Martello, won Best in Specialty. Bred by Carol Rose and Mary Pat Brunson, Axl is the son of CAN CH Kinvaar Son of a Gun, JW (UK) x AKC GCH, CAN CH CobbHill Golden Marguerite (aka “Ivy”).

CKCSCNENY Specialty 2017



Our Club's Annual Straw Hat Cavalier Specialties will once again be in Ballston Spa at the Saratoga County Fairgrounds, August 11-12, held in conjunction with the 5-day Adirondack Circuit. **Everyone is welcome.** You do not have to be an exhibitor or CKCSCNENY member to attend.

Judges will be:

Sweepstakes – Mary Beth Squirrell (Embee Cavaliers, Canada); Conformation – Ann Ingram from Ireland and Elaine Whitney (Sigma Cavaliers, Canada); and Rally and Obedience – James J. Ham.

Don't miss this chance for a great week of dog shows, the opportunity for 7 probable majors in Cavaliers, fabulous hospitality and fun events, and great Live and Silent Auctions. The Adirondack Circuit is definitely

“The August Place To Be.”

Listing of events that are free to everyone:

Come join us for some fun and also support those dogs that are competing. There is nothing better than a crowd of spectators to get our Cavaliers in the show mood. They love to shine in front of everyone. (My Gimlet always thought it was a party thrown just for her!)

Thursday evening **5:30 PM** Welcome Party offering Wine, Craft beer & Cheese Tasting

Friday competition events: Obedience, Rally & Conformation with free lunch

Friday evening **6:00 PM** our Pupalooza party (see page 9 for details)

Saturday competition events: Obedience, Rally & Conformation with free lunch

Saturday Live Auction **7:00 PM** and shut down on the silent auction table.

Come see our favorite auctioneers - David Frei and Phil Champagne. **It's always a hoot an' a hollerin' fun time.**

Don't forget that our Specialty ends with the **Buffet Banquet** on Saturday at **6:00PM**

Cost: \$36.00 per person and has a menu that will be suitable to all tastes: salad, rolls, Chicken Marsala, Beef & Broccoli Stir Fry, Eggplant Parmesan, rice, vegetables, dessert, & beverages

Reservations

Please let us know for ordering purposes if you will be attending any of the **FREE** events.

Send an email to Noreen Oehler of when you plan on coming along with the number of people.

For the banquet: Payment by check made out to CKCSCNENY or by PayPal through www.paypal.com with payment going to: NENYCAVALIERS@aol.com If you are paying by check send to: Pat Hicks, 6 Kelly Rd., Latham, NY 12110 **For hospitality Questions, Contact Norene Oehler, E-mail: jozefjon4@yahoo.com**

Other offerings for your dogs during the Adirondack show circuit:

MICROCHIP CLINIC - \$25.00 **Thursday 9:00 AM** - 12:00 Noon Sponsored by Mohawk Valley Kennel Club
Canine Good Citizen Test **Saturday 11:00 A.M. - 2:00 P.M.** Sponsored by MVKC & SADC Pick-up forms at Club Tent

EYE CLINIC - \$40.00 Dr. Ronald C. Riis, DVM, MS **Friday & Saturday By Appointment Only** Call (518) 399-2040 or (518) 368-9219

CARDIO CLINIC Auscultation: \$35.00 doppler: \$220.00 Dr. Aaron Wey, DACVIM **Saturday by Appointment Only**

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HEALTH ARTICLE: Exocrine Pancreatic Insufficiency (EPI)

As many of you have heard me say, our late beautiful Cavalier, Paisley, provided me with a layman's veterinary education due to her many ailments. When she was two, she was diagnosed with rather severe SM (syringomyelia) before most Cavalier owners and general veterinarians knew about this neurological disease. She later developed a demodex mite infestation because of meds she was on, later had MVD, and she had recurring bouts of severe pancreatitis, two of which almost killed her. It was the latter illnesses which ultimately led to her developing Exocrine Pancreatic Insufficiency or EPI. It is also called Maldigestion Disorder. By the time we realized she had EPI, Paisley was literally starving to death in front of us.

The pancreas is a small organ (really a large gland) in the abdomen which has two functions. The first is to produce Insulin in the endocrine section of the organ called the Islets of Langerhans. Insulin regulates blood sugar levels and when not working properly leads to diabetes. The other portion of the pancreas, the exocrine portion, produces digestive enzymes which aid in the digestion of food. Exocrine Pancreatic Insufficiency, or EPI, is the inability of the pancreas to secrete digestive enzymes: amylase to digest starches; lipases to digest fats; and proteases to digest protein. Without a steady supply of these enzymes to help break down and absorb nutrients, the body starves. When EPI is undiagnosed and left untreated, the entire body is deprived of the nutrients needed for growth, renewal, and maintenance. In time, the body becomes so compromised that the dog either starves to death or dies of inevitable organ failure.

Incomplete digestion causes the continual presence of copious amounts of fermenting food in the small intestine. This can lead to a secondary condition that is common in most EPI dogs, called SIBO (small intestinal bacterial overgrowth). If an EPI dog has a lot of belly grumbling/ noises, gas, diarrhea, and sometimes vomiting, she most likely has SIBO.

SIBO occurs when the "bad" bacteria that is feeding on the fermenting food overpopulates the tissue lining the small intestine, further impairing the proper absorption of vital nutrients and depleting the body's store of vitamin B12. Treatment of SIBO includes a course of antibiotics (usually metronidazole aka Flagyl), to eliminate the bad bacteria. Treatment probably will also include supplemental cobalamin (B12) injections. The goal is to help reestablish friendly bacteria colonies, which in turn

helps inhibit the malabsorption.

Severity of the disease may vary, making it even more difficult to diagnose. EPI can be subclinical (no recognizable symptoms) for many months, sometimes even years, before it worsens and becomes noticeable. In most cases, by the time the condition is recognized and properly treated, at least 90% of the pancreas' exocrine function has been destroyed. One of the more common causes of this pancreatic failure in dogs is the repeated bouts of pancreatitis which can result in the pancreas literally dissolving itself.

Since severe lethargy and chronic loose stools (of an unforgettable nature!) are usually the first visible symptoms in an EPI dog, most vets will treat for worms or prescribe an antibiotic to destroy what they suspect to be harmful intestinal bacteria. Owners are happy because the problem appears to go away, at least for a while. No one has any reason to investigate further, until the loose stools return or the dog starts losing weight, and then the merry-go-round cycle begins. Vet visits become numerous and costly, and one possible diagnosis after another is suggested. Expenses may include testing (and retesting) for giardia, coccidiosis, and other parasitic diseases; x-rays; ultrasound; MRI; antibiotics; and even surgery.

Until recently, EPI was almost exclusively found in German Shepherd Dogs where the condition is believed to be genetic. For this reason, a vet may fail to consider EPI as a possible diagnosis in other breeds and not pursue EPI testing: a trypsin-like immunoreactivity (TLI) blood test. TLI measures the dog's ability to produce digestive enzymes. The test is done following a fast of 12 to 15 hours, costs about \$100, and can take a week or more for results. Although other laboratories can run the TLI test, most blood samples are analyzed at Texas A&M University.

Unfortunately, Cavalier King Charles Spaniels are now recognized as a breed that is particularly susceptible to EPI. Yet, most general veterinarians do not consider this initially despite being presented with clinical symptoms, especially the voluminous yellowish or grayish, soft, greasy-looking "cow patty" stools with their unique foul odor (once you see and smell these stools, you will always know what they portend!). Unless an owner suggests EPI, a vet may not think of this possibility.

In Paisley's case, we suddenly noticed that she was daily

producing multiple loose stools (as above) and had lost 5 pounds. My comment was: “food goes in and comes out as liquid!” We were fortunate that our vet at the time recognized immediately what the issue was – even though she said she had never seen it in a Cavalier. Blood samples were sent to Texas A&M, but she immediately started Paisley on the necessary pancreatic enzymes instead of waiting for confirmation.

Once EPI has been diagnosed, treatment most commonly consists of appropriate doses of Flagyl, to treat the SIBO, and supplementing the dog’s diet with a pancreatic enzyme replacement. These enzyme supplements come in a powdered form which may be mixed with food. Although capsules of enzymes are available, the powdered form is less expensive and more effective. However, it is “nasty” stuff in that it can digest almost any sort of biological item, including your skin if it gets on it, and dog lips. For that reason, it is recommended that the powder be spread on the dog’s food and allowed to incubate so it partially pre-digests the food before being fed to the dog. Because the EPI dog is malnourished, at least at first, vitamin supplements may be necessary and B12 will always be necessary. Treatments may need to be adjusted in an on-going basis.

Most causes of EPI, such as pancreatic acinar atrophy (see above), are irreversible. This means that life-long therapy and enzyme supplements will be needed. Daily monitoring of the dog’s progress is necessary after initial treatment. Diarrhea should disappear within one week, and the consistency of stools should normalize soon after, and the dog will start to gain weight and have more energy. Fatty or high-fat foods and high fiber foods are difficult to digest and will need to be carefully avoided. The dosage of enzyme supplements may be able to be decreased as your dog’s health and weight normalizes.

However, set-backs with this disease are common: stress, another illness, slight diet change, or even unknown cause can suddenly result in loose poops appearing. For this reason, people with EPI dogs regularly say that they have become “poopologists,” and are daily on the lookout for tell-tale loose stools which may indicate a return of SIBO or a need to increase enzyme dosage. These owners also learn to do the “happy normal poop” dance. They are also helped by being connected with at least one of the on-line support groups for owners of EPI dogs.

EPI is a frustrating disease to manage, but with careful observations and juggling of food, medication and enzyme management, the EPI dog can live a long normal life. For those of us with Cavaliers, I cannot stress strongly enough that you must educate yourself about health issues pertinent to our breed and encourage your veterinarian to sometimes look for the “zebra” when treating a disease such as EPI which can be fatal if not recognized and treated before permanent damage has resulted.

For further non-clinical explanation of EPI in dogs see this excellent article: https://www.whole-dog-journal.com/issues/12_3/features/Exocrine-Pancreatic-Insufficiency-in-Dogs_16109-1.html

Lynn Beman, Trisdonn Cavaliers

The Skunk Remedy Recipe (from the Skunk Remedy Homepage)

Don’t bring the dog inside! In a plastic bucket, mix well the following ingredients:

- 1 quart of 3% Hydrogen Peroxide
- 1/4 cup of baking soda
- 1 to 2 teaspoons liquid soap (not detergent).

Wash pet promptly and thoroughly working the solution deep into the fur. Let your nose guide you, leave the solution on about 5 minutes or until the odor is gone. Some heavily oiled areas may require a “rinse and repeat” washing.

- Use promptly
- Do not store the solution — pressure will build up and the container can explode.
- Avoid the pet’s eyes

Essential Oils for you and your dogs

They are safe for you and your pets if used in accordance with recommendations. Carol Rose, Pat Martello (handler), and I all use essential oils on ourselves and our dogs.

A full article on using essential oils for our dogs that I wrote for *The Royal Spaniels Magazine* can be found at the following link:

www.the-royal-spaniels.com/news

Information included in the article are pesticide free options for added flea and tick control and soothing oils to calm stressed dogs.

By using essential calming oils on the inside leather of the ears - never inside ear canals - and working them down the spine has done wonders for calming my dogs to let me clip their nails and trim the fur between their pads.

Mary Pat Brunson, CobbHill Cavaliers



MEET: PAT REILLY, DEDICATED MEMBER

Every organization always has several members who are quiet by nature, but are always there, willing to help out doing all sorts of tasks when needed. In our Club, one of these much appreciated but not always recognized members is Pat Reilly.

Pat grew up in Albany and now lives in Glenville in an in-law apartment in her daughter's house. Or, as she said, "...so it's me and my two dogs in my part of the house." Pat, an Air Force Wife until her husband died of ALS in 2001, raised five children and has 11 grandchildren. Before she retired, Pat worked with special education kids as a teacher's assistant.

The two dogs that share Pat's home and heart are "Oliver," a little Mi-Ki, and "Holly," a Blenheim Cavalier. Oliver was Pat's first Therapy dog but as he was getting older, she realized he didn't have the stamina he once had that is needed for this important work. So, she decided to get another dog. While researching an appropriate breed, she fell in love with Cavaliers and started looking for a breeder. Then, she said "Lo and behold, there was a breeder almost around the corner from me, Carol Rose! I waited almost a year for my Cavalier because I really wanted a Blenheim and that year everyone seemed to be having Tri's."

One day, Carol phoned Pat to tell her that she was whelping a litter for Lisa May and perhaps there would be a Blenheim puppy in that litter for her. And so, "Holly," who was Carol's "pick" out of Lisa's litter, joined Pat's small household.

Holly loves being a therapy dog and doesn't mind occasionally wearing a little dress to cheer up the patients. She and Pat visit St. Peter's ALS Center on a regular basis. She also loves Agility, although training and competitions are on hold for a little while until Pat fully recovers from her recent hip replacement.

Pat says she joined our Club "because I love the Cavalier and I think it is a breed worth saving."

Since she has joined, she is regularly seen helping at our Specialty shows with various hospitality tasks, selling raffle tickets, setting up auction items, and whatever else is needed to be done at the shows and our other events.



Or, sometimes we see her sitting on the sidelines during judging, with Holly on her lap, cheering on the competitors, another important task to help make visitors and their dogs feel welcome.

MEET NEW MEMBER: CARRIE CRONIN

Carrie Cronin grew up in rural Sharon Springs NY and always had animals surrounding her, including collies which her family showed for a while, her horse, Hooper, other dogs and cats. She currently lives in Clifton Park with my husband of almost 14 years, John, their two cats, Mia and Sterling, and their beautiful year-old Cavalier, Bielman's Your Making Me Tippy (aka "Tippy"). Carrie works for a financial advisor at the Albany Financial Group. In April 2016, their mini-Schnauzer, "Rooney," crossed the Rainbow Bridge. He was John's first-ever dog, and because of that Carrie let her husband decide on the breed to add to their new family, even though she really wanted a Cavalier. John is, as Carrie describes him, a "one dog at a time in the house" person, so she had to postpone getting a Cavalier.

As Rooney grew older and his health declined, Carrie started seeking a local Cavalier breeder. She found Amy Cox and Mike Bielawa (Bielman's Cavaliers) through a mutual friend. Carrie says she "Facebook stalked



their dogs and puppies for nearly 2 years” because she knew that when the time came, she would be getting her Cavalier from them.

While waiting for Amy’s bitch Chuey to have a litter,



Carrie and John “borrowed” one of Amy’s older puppies, “Tippy,” for a puppy play date. They fell in love with her and knew that she was their dog. Carrie says: “Since we’ve had Tippy, she’s been a constant source of

amusement and complete doting. We spoil her rotten, and of course as a Cavalier, she would not accept anything less! I brought her to training as a puppy where she earned her Canine Good Citizen designation, and she currently attends Agility classes in hopes that we will eventually compete in AKC agility trials. She is very athletic and would rather work than be a typical cavalier couch potato.” We suspect Carrie is still hoping that John will eventually waiver on the one-dog rule since two Cavaliers are always better. Carrie joined the CKCSCNENY late last year and has become an active participant in our meetings and events.

MEET NEW MEMBER: LAURA CALABRESE

Laura was born, raised, and still resides in Gloversville, NY. For the past 26 years, she worked as a Human Resources/Payroll Assistant and just retired on June 30th. Prior to that she worked as a sales associate for a very well known jeweler and held GIA certificates in Diamond and Colored stone grading.

She has owned a Great Dane, Saluki (which she showed briefly), and a Rottweiler/Retriever mix.

She and her husband, John, currently share their home with their tri-color CKCS, Luca and a rather large Pleco (algae eater). Their Rottweiler mix, “Nikki,” crossed over the Rainbow Bridge 13 years ago on John’s birthday. They were devastated and John told her “no more dogs!”

Now, in Laura’s words, how she finally got a Cavalier: “I struggled without a dog for 10 years. Finally, in 2014, John asked me what I wanted for Christmas. I knew I was pushing my luck, but I told him I wanted a dog and sent him a picture of a B&T puppy. He said “okay, go pick one out.” That was one of the best gifts EVER!

So, the search was on. I researched the breed, checked the AKC site, and found Carol Rose and Karlee Cavaliers. I contacted Carol, told her my background with other breeds, and was invited to her home for a visit and “interview.” John and I were ecstatic that she added us to her list of prospective owners. On Friday, March 13th 2015, Sassy/Reckless puppies were born. She didn’t have a B&T but there was a very handsome tri-color boy in the litter and, luckily, we were able to become his “human” parents.



We have had him in handling classes since we got him and we are having a good time on the show circuit. He has come along to our grand children’s sporting events and visited my mother’s assisted living facility many many times. He is a true comfort spaniel and makes everyone smile.

I have enjoyed being a member of our club and hope that I can contribute more as time goes by. We have met some wonderful people and I am enjoying traveling the show circuit. We are looking forward to spending many years with our Luca and are hoping to welcome another Cavalier into our home this summer or fall. Fingers crossed that someone has a handsome boy for us. Luca was a Christmas gift and hopefully the next one can be our 45th wedding anniversary gift to each other.”



Bios submitted by Lynn Beman, Trisdonn Cavaliers



THE AMERICAN CAVALIER KING CHARLES SPANIEL CLUB CHARITABLE TRUST - WHAT IT IS AND WHAT IT DOES

By John V. Ioia, MD, PhD

Editors' Note: At our Club's Annual Meeting in January, we voted to donate \$1,000 to the ACKCSC Charitable Trust, Inc. While we normally donate funds raised through our auctions and other activities to the American Cavalier Rescue Trust, Inc., we felt it was time to make a contribution to the other non-profit organization which is also affiliated with the AKCSC, Inc., our AKC parent club. At the meeting, our Vice-President, Dr. John Ioia, made a brief explanation about the Charitable Trust. He later followed up with the article below which was published in the "Breed Column" of AKC Gazette in March. We thought we would reprint the article so our members might have a clearer understanding of what a valuable role the Charitable Trust plays in the health of our breed.

While recently discussing our Cavalier breed with a close friend, breeder and competitor, the subject of the Charitable Trust arose and a very pleasant discussion ensued. She suggested this article as means of introducing or reintroducing the Trust to people, who may be familiar with Cavaliers, have knowledge of some of the health issues, but have no idea how much work has been done on these problems or the role that the Charitable trust has played toward the treatment or elimination of some of these problems.

Formed in 2002 by the Board of ACKCSC, the Charitable Trust was founded "For the protection of the health of the Cavalier King Charles Spaniel" and to provide financial support for charitable, research, and educational efforts for dogs and in particular the Cavalier. The founding declaration was signed by Carol Williams, John Gammon, and Barbara Hill, but the governance has by resolution come under the control of a Board of Directors chosen by the ACKCSC Board. A significant contributor to its founding was a great "dog-man," attorney and friend to ACKCSC, the late Ed Sledzick. Ed was a personal friend from our days showing Lhasas and Shih Tzu.

In the past fourteen years, the Trust has provided over \$600,000 in research grants, through the generosity of ACKCSC members and its regional member clubs. Many of these grants now partner with the American Kennel Club Canine Health Foundation to increase their effectiveness.

The first Grants were funded in 2005. These studies included a Breed Health Survey through Purdue University, a Caudal-Occipital Malformation Study through Ohio State University, and a Study on "The Effect of Chiari Malformation on CSF Flow" at North Carolina State University. The Trust has been instrumental in support of research on Chiari-like Malformation and Syringomyelia. Here is where we have partnered with AKC CHF and other Parent Clubs. The Trustees believe that anything we can learn from any research on SM may also be useful to Cavaliers. The findings in this study of similarities or differences may be helpful in our future SM research. Studies have included the use of MRI to evaluate, characterize and classify SM by degree.

The Trust has supported efforts in the study of Canine Mitral Valve Disease, its underlying cellular and protein basis and possible genetic links. Much of this investigation has helped to increase our knowledge of this disease that claims many Cavaliers. At present, there is at least one study aimed at the use of stem-cells in the regeneration or repair of Mitral Valve Disease. It is hoped that some on-going efforts may establish a genetic marker to help eliminate MVD.

The Trust has also helped in the study of Canine Lymphoma, Canine Ectopic Dermatitis, treatment of septic shock, and canine brucellosis.

The American Cavalier King Charles Spaniel Club and its Charitable Trust stands as a beacon of what dedicated breeders and breed lovers can do for the health and welfare of a cherished breed of dog and dogs' health in general. It is often used as an example for other breed clubs. So the next time someone asks what the ACKCSC Charitable Trust is or what it does, you have some answers.

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A Two paws up welcome to our newest members:

*Barbara & John Nottke, Albany NY
Lifetime Membership to Anita & Robert Helms, Greenville NY*

Pupalooza Pizza Party and Parade of Cavaliers

Party Time!

Cavaliers reunite

Brothers & Sisters, Aunts, Uncles & Grandparents

PLUS the breeders that bred them

On behalf of The Cavalier King Charles Spaniel Club of Northeastern New York, (our local club) we would like to invite you to our **Second Annual Cavalier Reunion** during our show specialty. Come join us in Ballston Spa during the Adirondack Cluster Dog Show.

Date: August 11th, 2017

Time: 6:00 PM

**Location: Saratoga State Fairgrounds,
Ballston Spa, NY in the Bovine Pavilion!**

Don't worry it has been cleaned superbly.

(It has a covered roof in case of rain and plenty of space to mingle.)

RSVP by August 5th to Amy Cox: amy@petsessories.com

What could be better than spending an evening with your favorite Cavalier friend(s) both canine and human, and meeting new Cavalier friends at the same? Add in some complimentary pizza and beverages! Then to make it even more fun, how would you like to have your puppy be in an all cavalier parade? Sashay around and strut your stuff in the show ring in the Puppy Parade. Ribbons and Prizes for everyone.

***NO AGE LIMIT, ALL CAVALIERS ARE PUPPIES FOR THIS EVENT*!**

NO Flexi-leads PLEASE

*The Fairgrounds requires a proof of current rabies vaccination -
PLEASE bring a copy just in case you are asked.*





A GRAND DAM FOR SURE



Helmsdale Princess Daphne, (Daphne)

Anita Helms, one of the original members of our Club, recently notified us that her 15-year old B&T bitch, Helmsdale Princess Daphne, was certified as heart clear at her check-up in April. Equally remarkable is that Daphne, who was born on May 22, 2002, was born with only 3 feet. Her one front leg stops just above the ankle, but getting around on three legs has never slowed this happy girl down one bit. At 15, she's just as sassy as ever. Daphne's sire was Helmsdale One n' Only (Bailey) and her dam was Symra State Secret of Helmsdale, a Ruby bred by Mary Reis in England

2017 ACHIEVEMENTS

(listed alphabetically by kennel name; registered name)

- HUNTINGRIDGE SWEET DREAMS ARE MADE OF THIS (Annie) Donna & Fritz Schuster won Winners, Best of Opposite Sex two days in a row at Chambersburg Area Kennel Club, Green Castle, PA
- GCH CH KARLEE GRAY STONE GUNS N ROSES (Ax1) Carol Rose & Bill Smith - Bronze Medallion Level won BISS Winner at Twin Cities Specialty, multiple BOB and Group I Winner at Del-Otse-Nango KC in Bainbridge
- GCH CH ROSSBONNY REBUS (Rebus) Carol Rose won Veterans Dog at the AKCSC National
- SHERAH MAYBE PAYTON PLACE (Payton) Amy Cox won Winners Bitch, Best of Opposite & Best of Breed Owner Handled at Mid-Hudson Kennel Assoc in New Paltz

UPCOMING MEETINGS/EVENTS

- August 11 - 12 CKCSCNENY Back-to-Back Specialty Shows
- September 30 - Club Meeting at Carol's Campsite, Wine Country Dog Shows, Sampson State Park, NY
- October TBD Cardio Clinic
- November 11 - SM Lecture - *see info below*
- November meeting will be held after the SM Lecture
- January 20, 2018 1-5 -- Annual Meeting/Holiday Party

“THE CRANIOCERVICAL JUNCTION: MORE THAN MEETS THE EYE”

Syringomyelia in Cavaliers and other Breeds

Lecture with Question & Answer Period

Presented by Dr. Sofia Cerda-Gonzalez of Cornell Veterinary College

Saturday, November 11, 2017 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm

Harmony Veterinary Clinic, 1823 Amsterdam Rd Ballston Spa, NY 12020

\$10 per person. Due to limited seating: Advance Reservations Required

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WAITING AT THE RAINBOW BRIDGE

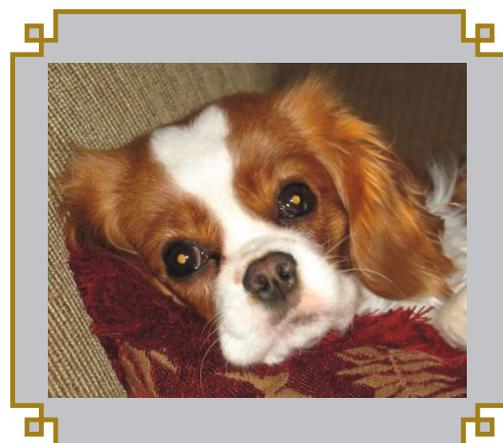
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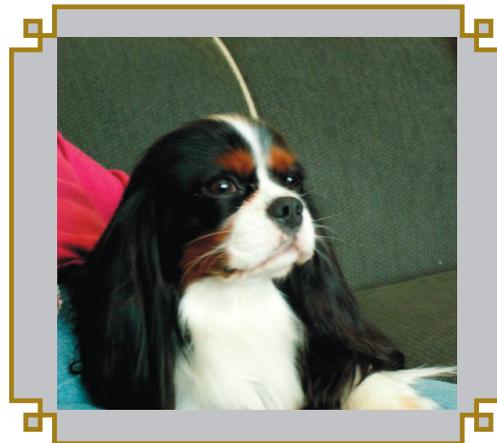
GCH CH. Karlee Gray Stone Play It Again, BISS - "Lucky"
05/16/2009 - 04/11/2017
Bill & Greta Smith



AbbyManor's Mabelleine CGC - "Cricket"
01/12/2004 - 04/26/2017
Mary Pat Brunson



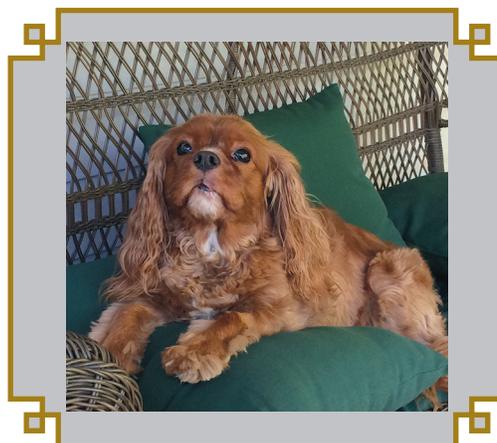
Molly May - "Molly"
1/15/2004 - 6/5/2017
Lisa & Bill May



AMER/ CAN CH Karlee Gray Stone - "Ambrose"
06/05/2003 - June 2017
Carol Rose & Darlene Petralia



Stellar You Are Everything at Tycwn, CGC TD - "Tucker"
12/18/07 - 6/21/17
Anne Knauss



Stellar Give Me One Kiss at Tycwn - "Luke"
1/8/08 - 7/1/17
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Silhouette: "Spaniel On A Chair"

By *Auguste Amant Constant Fidèle Edouart*
(1789-1861)

c.1849 Cut paper, 3-1/2" x 6-5/8" (figure is 4" high)

CURATOR'S CURIOSITY CORNER

Silhouettes were extremely popular from the 1790s to 1840s. Before the advent of Daguerreotypes in 1839, the first commercially available photographic portraits, silhouettes were a cheap and effective alternative to the expensive painted portrait miniature. A skilled silhouette artist could cut a high-quality bust portrait, the most common style, in a matter of minutes, working purely by eye. They were sold at fairs and bazaars.

Auguste Edouart was one of the greatest silhouette portrait artists of the early 19th century. Born in France, he lived and worked in England, Scotland, the United States, before eventually returning to France. He snipped his first silhouette portrait in 1825, and quickly gained renown for his skill with the scissor. It is believed he created over 100,000 portraits, including famous people and many animals. This portrait of a Spaniel sitting on a saber-leg Empire chair is from a recently discovered cache of Edouart's animal portraits. They sell for \$850-\$1,250. For more information on the artist and this treasure trove of his dog portraits: www.PeggyMcClard.com

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