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Puppy Socialization :

Jane & Anne Thaeder

Puppy socialization starts from birth. As you do your daily weighing of the new puppies, cleaning their nest, talking to them (although, they can't hear before 10 to 16 days) all this is part of their socialization. If there is a puppy that is less accepting of handling – cuddle him close to you more and be less vigorous in handling him. He will come to enjoy the attention.

Puppies are tough little critters; you don't need to handle them like eggshells. Their mothers can be quite rough with them.

When our puppies are born, they are kept in a quiet area. It is actually a corner of our laundry room, so we are going in and out of there frequently, but the rest of the dogs are not allowed in. This keeps the mother happy, and we still are able to keep an eye on things.

We expose them to lots of sound early on. We run the vacuum, the washing machine and the dryer. The noises of these appliances make vibrations. Even if the puppies can't hear them early on, later they will hear them and not be startled.

As the puppies grow, their eyes open between the 10th to 14th day, and they are getting around, start placing toys of various textures and shapes in the box. Things that squeak are good too. That's another sound they can get used to.

Once they are really on their feet and playing, they are ready to move out into the main part of the house where there is more activity. Here they get used to other dogs in the room, the television and all of the hustle and bustle that goes on in a normal household.

We start taking them out of the box and let them begin to explore the room and meet up

with some of the other dogs that we know will be nice to little babies. If you have any dogs that wouldn't be patient with them, hold off with them until the babies are a little older. You want them to have fun experiences in the beginning.



After they have had their first shot, you can extend their experiences to the outside world. Let them walk on all kinds of surfaces as long as they aren't hot, like blacktop, concrete, etc. After they are used to being outside, you can take them to public areas like parks or the beach.



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Meeting Notice CCCKCSC General Meeting

Date: Jan 8, 2005

Time: 6:30 PM

Location:

Lucky 32

832 Spring Forest Rd. Raleigh, NC 27609

Between Six Forks & Falls of Neuse Rd

Phone: 919-876-9935

Program: Awards Banquet

Directions: From Hwy 70 go west on Lynn Rd which will change to Spring Forest Rd.

CCCKCSC Board Meeting

Date: Feb 2004 Date TBD

Time:

Mark Your Calendar

- CCCKCSC Awards Banquet
Jan. 8, 2005 at Lucky 32 in Raleigh.
- CCCKCSC training Classes start Jan 19, 2005
- CCCKCSC Fun Match -
March 19, 2005, at Durham Kennel Club

Puppy Pen

What is the most important thing to do when I bring a new puppy home?

Your most crucial job is socialization. Take the puppy to the vet to make sure they are healthy and have the proper vaccinations.

Then, your puppy needs to know about that great big wonderful world out there. Begin by introducing them to their new home, make sure that it is rich with safe, interesting things for her to explore. She should have opportunities to chew, climb, hide, chase, and cuddle. There will be many noises, smells and sights that are new.

Go slowly in the first weeks, but be alert to opportunities to introduce new things. You will probably find many puppy toys that are safe for your puppy to play with, some without supervision. An

empty towel tube, oatmeal box or soda bottle with the lid removed, can be fun to chase and chew (but only with supervision). A goose feather will smell fascinating; children's wind-up toys and push toys cause amazement; a large drain tile, wooden or cardboard boxes, wash tubs, laundry baskets, and many other containers provide the opportunity to climb in or up.

Stairs take some training. If your house does not have stairs, be sure to find some for your puppy to climb up and down. Go slowly and if she seems reluctant, pick a small flight at first, and load it with treats and toys to make this a game she can win. This is good exercise; it builds confidence; and it's very useful lifelong

to have a stair friendly dog.

There will be lots of new noises: the vacuum cleaner, the washer, the lawn mower. If those go well, think up new ones to make games, such as cardboard tubes to sing through, squeaky toys, and any musical instruments you have around. If you are thinking of showing your puppy, be sure to put her on a table or the washing machine, padded with a towel, and give her treats to make being up high a happy thing.

Once your puppy is confident in your home and your yard, she needs to begin meeting new people and dogs. Again, go slowly and let her develop confidence at her own pace. When people come to visit, let her greet them,

Dee Wallis

gently coaching her to sit for petting and rewarding her when she does not bark, scratch or jump up. Can you find another puppy for a play date? Be very careful with grown dogs, to make sure that there is not an unpleasant confrontation that will leave permanent unhappy memories. Children, supervised, can be great fun with puppies. They can teach each other a lot; but be alert to possible harm to puppy or child. And be firm about time to stop while it is still fun.

Next time we will talk about going out into the world and then, what to do with a puppy thinks that some or all of these ideas are scary and not fun at all. Send in your ideas of fun puppy toys and new places to visit.

Braggs:

Darrell & Mary Rich: Frankie took two reserves at the recent shows in Savannah

Dee Wallis: Showed Celia at the Winston Salem show this past Sunday and took reserve to a five point major from the 6-9 month puppy class. Also, Celia earned her Canine Good Citizen at the Durham Kennel Club in November.

Steve: Sara earned her Master Agility Jumpers (MXJ) at the Savannah agility trials.

I was wondering????....

Starting in Feb a new column will appear. This is for those

"I wonder questions"

Jot them down and send an e-mail or note to Dee Wallis or Amy Martin. We will confer with our panel of experts and get you an answer.

A new column





CCCKCSC TRAINING CLASS offered

The Central Carolina Cavalier King Charles Spaniel Club will hold a *Training Class* this winter for all interested handlers, with dogs forty pounds or less. There is no age limit on dogs, but handlers usually need to be at least ten years old to be successful.

Date, Time and Cost: The Class will start Wednesday, January 19, 2005 and run for about 8 weeks, 7 pm to about 8:30 pm; the charge will be \$10 for 4 weeks, payable in advance and credited to the classes attended.

Requirements. Each handler will fill out a registration and release form and pay the tuition on the first night of attendance. Each dog will be required to be current on all suitable vaccinations and free from parasites. For proof of health, bring a certificate of shots from your vet to the first night of class

Location: The Classes will be indoors at **You Lucky Dog Day Care and Boarding Facility**, 8604 Jersey Court; this location is off Angus Drive, off Hwy 70 at 540, across the Highway from the Angus Barn.

Format: (1) ½-to ¾ hour show handling and grooming-

Some topics: table work, examining and cleaning teeth, gaiting, grooming equipment & strategies, special issues for adult beginners, cost of showing.

(2) ½-to ¾ hour of Canine Good Citizen training and pet manners –

Some topics: Sit, down, stand, controlled walk, Canine Good Citizen test exercises, "go say Hi," leave it, don't jump, take treat gently, don't jump up; adapt to unfamiliar situations.

Our Goal is to have several cavaliers obtain their Canine Good Citizen Certificate at the test planned for our match on March 19, or at another test to possibly be given later at You Lucky Dog.

For detailed information on the Canine Good Citizen Test, go to www.akc.org. The test has ten components. To be certified, the dog must pass all ten items.

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| 1. Will Tolerate a Stranger Friendly to Handler. | 2. Will Sit Politely for Petting. |
| 3. Has Clean Appearance; Will Tolerate Grooming. | 4. Will Walk on a Loose Lead. |
| 5. Will Walk Confidently through a Crowd. | 6. Performs Obedience Commands: Sit, Down, Stay. |
| 7. Comes When Called. | 8. Shows Restraint upon Meeting Another Dog. |
| 9. Has Confidence Around Startling Events | 10. Remains Calm for a Supervised Separation. |

Fun Match 2005: update

Match Report:

The next fun match will be on Saturday, March 19, 2005 at the Durham Kennel Club building in Durham, NC. The match is starting to take shape under the concerted efforts of match chair Dana Pritchett.

George Beglane of

DKC will judge the obedience classes.

Several vendors who sell items such as Cavalier jewelry, leads, and related items have been invited to attend.

The Cavalier Café will be back to provide refreshments.

Michelle Potchek will steward and do registra-

tion.

Cathy Eason will steward.

Inge Phillips will do photographs

Dana will be tapping members for help in organizing and running this annual event. Volunteers are welcome to contact her at:

dpritchett@earthlink.net

Dr. Keene of NC Vet School will conduct a heart clinic.

We are looking for a RV that could be used for this service. If anyone knows of one please contact Dana at 919-956-8789.



Meeting Minutes—November 2004

Minutes of the Member Meeting
Central Carolina Cavalier King Charles Spaniel Club, Inc
November 14, 2004 at the home of Dee & Steve Wallis, Raleigh, NC

The meeting was called to order at 2:20pm after a program on the “Cavalier Head” presented by Janet Dalton. Twenty three members and guests were present. Minutes from the September 11, 2004 were approved as published in the newsletter.

President’s Report: none

Secretary’s Report: A letter was sent to Loraine Boutwell thanking her for her donation to rescue.

New membership forms for our parent club ACKCSC, Inc. are up on their web site. Applications must be on the new forms if submitted after November 30th.

Treasurer’s Report: The club’s checking account balance is \$3,411.10 as of 11/14/04. Two checks have been written, one for \$10.00 to ACKCSC for breed guides, and one for \$20.87 to Steve Wallis for reimbursement for paper products, drinks & ice for the meetings. Three deposits totaling \$183.00 were made. Receipts were for dues, sale of Joyce’s items, a breed guide and a calendar.

Membership Committee: Member applicants were voted on and accepted. New members are Carol Price, David Kirkland, Stephen Roman, and Joyce McHenry. One new member application was read for Eileen & Jim Helton sponsored by Dee Wallis and Bill Nelson. This application will be read again and voted on at the January meeting.

Education Committee: Dee Wallis announced she would teach a Canine Good Citizens class for the club. Please contact Dee to enroll your Cavalier. It would be nice to have some Cavaliers entered in our CGC test next March. President Nelson asked for a show of hands of those who would be interested in attending the classes. There were several responses. A suitable indoor location is needed to hold the classes. Please contact Dee if you can volunteer a place.

Rescue Committee: Lynn Lake reported the local shelter had placed a Cavalier without contacting the club. She will speak with the local SPCA management about their “Cherry Picking”.

Newsletter: Amy Martin requested any items for the newsletter be sent to her email address. The newsletter is now on the club’s web site and in color.

Awards Banquet Amy Martin announced our next meeting will be the club’s annual awards dinner to recognize club members and their dogs who earned titles this year. Certificates will be awarded for all AKC titles including CGC and therapy dog certifications. The date is Saturday January 8, 2005 at 6:30pm. It will be held at the Lucky 32 restaurant in Raleigh. Please notify Amy by Jan. 6th as reservations are required. Send information regarding your dog and titles to Dee at: DeeWallis@AOL.Com by Jan.4th.

Match Report: Dana Pritchett sent out a letter to all club members asking them to participate on the Match committees and to donate to the trophy fund. She indicated she had not yet heard back from any volunteers. Someone to chair the Hospitality committee is desperately needed. There are plenty of other areas to help out with on the day of the match. Our trophies will not be expensive but there will be a number of them so even small donations will help. Cardiologist Dr Bruce Keene from the NC State Vet School will also be there to conduct a heart clinic, and the club will hold a CGC test that morning.



Meeting Minutes—Nov. 2004 con't

Unfinished Business: None.

New Business: Steve Wallis asked if the club would like to support the Cavalier entry at the Durham Kennel Club show in Raleigh next March. President Nelson suggested we do so if club members would donate to pay for the rosettes. Steve also indicated he had received information regarding the availability of general liability insurance at a reasonable rate and asked whether the club wanted to look into the costs and coverage available. It was decided Steve should explore this and report back

Announcements: The NC State Vet School is seeking to fund a study on Cavaliers to determine if they are affected with syringomyelia. This would involve a low cost MRI (\$200 instead of \$1,200). For details contact Steve Wallis.

Next meeting will be Saturday January 8, 2005 at 6:30pm at the Lucky 32 restaurant in Raleigh.

There being no other business the meeting was adjourned at 3:30pm.

Respectfully submitted, Steve Wallis – Secretary/Treasurer



Socialization Con't from page 1

When you have company, be sure to let the puppies see them and be handled by them. All young children should be closely supervised, and never left alone with young puppies. However, it is a wonderful thing for both breeds

(Human and canine) to play together and love each other. If a puppy seems afraid of a certain normal situation, don't coddle the puppy. If you pick it up and tell it that it's all right, it will think that it had a reason to be afraid. Just continue to expose that puppy to the problem situation until it realizes that it's OK.

An example of this is I had a puppy at her first show. It was under a tent. Before we went into the ring, there was a gust of wind and the tent made a sharp flapping sound. The puppy spooked; she strongly objected to staying inside. When we went into the ring, she was nervous, jumped around, refused to walk, and sat between my feet. I talked to her quietly and patted her, but did not pick her up. If I had, she would think that there was a reason to be afraid. So, I rode it out. I kept her on the ground and after a few more times in the ring, she really enjoyed showing. If I had picked her up, it would have been more difficult to train her.

General Announcements

2005-6 Cavalier Calendars available. Steve Wallis still has three calendars available. These are 18 month calendars Each month has a picture of a Cavalier from one of the Cavalier clubs through-out the US. Central Carolina CKCS is represented as "Miss April 2005", better known to us as Ann Standen's Rose.

The proceeds from the sale of the calendars goes to fund research on Cavalier health problems.

The CCKCSC Annual Awards Banquet will be held Jan 8, 2005 at 6:30 PM, in the private dining room at Lucky 32 on Spring Forest Rd. in Raleigh. Ordering will be from the regular menu to accommodate everyone's dietary requirements. Please RSVP to Amy Martin at amyleighmartin@msn.com by Jan. 5th, 2005 so that we will have a head count. Please call with any questions. 919-787-2994

Dee Wallis requests notice of all awards won this year by member dogs be submitted to her via e-mail for inclusion in the awards presentations. All AKC titles or training certifications with details regarding: Dog's name, description of title(s) earned, date title was awarded, owners name should be sent to Dee by 12/31/2004 at deewallis@aol.com or by regular mail.

Nominations for Board of Directors elections are being sought. Term of service is one year. Nominations will be announced at the March meeting and elections are held in May.

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Happy Holiday Tails!! Carol Henry

"I SAW LUCY KISSING SANTA CLAUS".

LUCY (GLENWOOD LACOTA SIOUX) WAS BORN ON NEW YEARS DAY, 1998 IN WASHINGTON STATE. SHE WAS A SPUNKY AND CURIOUS LITTLE CAVALIER PUPPY.

SHORTLY AFTER RELOCATING BACK TO NORTH CAROLINA, I DECIDED TO TAKE LUCY (NOW 11 MONTHS) TO SEE SANTA AT THE LOCAL PET STORE AND HAVE HER PICTURE TAKEN FOR GRANDMA. I PAID THE FEE AND WAITED IN LINE WITH LUCY BESIDE ME. SHE LOOKED SO CUTE IN HER LITTLE SANTA HAT AND GINGERBREAD SWEATER.

WHEN IT WAS OUR TURN, WE WENT UP TO SANTA, I PLACED HER IN HIS LAP AND BEFORE YOU COULD SAY "CHRISTMAS CAVALIERS", A CROWD STARTED TO GATHER. THEY WATCHED AS LUCY STARTED KISSING SANTA. SHE WAS HAVING A GREAT TIME. EVEN SANTA WAS CHUCKLING. THEN SUDDENLY, WITHOUT WARNING, SHE DECIDED TO SEE JUST WHO WAS UNDER THAT SUIT.

FIRST, THE HAT CAME OFF, THEN HIS BEARD, THEN SHE WAS UP UNDER HIS COAT. THE CROWD WAS ROARING. FINALLY, SANTA STOOD UP WITH ONLY HIS SUSPENDERS AND PANTS REMAINING.

HE SAID "LADY, THAT'S SOME DOG, BUT I THINK YOU BETTER COME BACK NEXT YEAR WHEN SHE CAN SIT QUIETLY IN MY LAP". SO, NEEDLESS TO SAY, I GOT MY REFUND AND LEFT; HOWEVER, I DO THINK SANTA ENJOYED LUCY.

I HAVE MANY FOND MEMORIES OF DEAR LUCY AND CAN SEE HER IN MY CURRENT CAVALIER, TRIXIE (RATTLERIDGE STREETWALKER). WHEN I DID RETURN TO PETSMART WITH TRIXIE THE FOLLOWING YEAR, SANTA LOOKED AT ME, POINTED AND SAID "L U C Y". HE REMEMBERED.

I EXPLAINED ABOUT LUCY AND INTRODUCED HIM TO TRIXIE. THEN TRIXIE SAT QUIETLY IN HIS LAP AND HAD HER PICTURE TAKEN.

TRIXIE WILL BE FLYING TO GRANDMAS TO BRING IT TO HER FOR CHRISTMAS. TRIXIE IS QUITE THE FREQUENT FLYER. SHE REMAINS IN THE CABIN THE ENTIRE FLIGHT.

We're on the web at

www.carolinacavaliers.com