

CAROLINA CAVALIER

Central Carolina Cavalier
King Charles Spaniel Club

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“A” Successful Match!

Central Carolina Cavaliers campaign toward points sanctioned points match is off to a successful start thanks to the dedicated efforts of club members led by match chair Dana Pritchett. With 40 entries from 5 states, competition was stiff in both conformation, judged by Cindy Huggins of California, and obedience, judged by Fran Hoffman of NC.

Many comments were made about how pleasant the event was, how smoothly the match ran and how much fun everyone had. The Board give a hearty thanks to Dana and her team!

Best in show was Roi L Shhh, (Sugar) owned by Bill Nelson and E. Lessig. Best of Opposite was Imagine Always a Classic (Cosmo) owned by Cathy Eason and Lynn Lake.

Best Junior Handler was Maria Wells showing Wellington's Sophisticated Lady.

High in Trial was CastleMyst Princess Katherine owned by Dave and Lisa Wagner.

Complete results are available on our web site: www.carolinacavaliers.com.

The club is planning another A –OA match for late summer. It was exciting to see all the owner-handlers at this show. This is a great way to become involved with the sport side of dogs, and it is a sport..creating a unique bond between dog and handler. It's also wonderful to see the junior handlers competing. This is a great family activity . We would love to see more Junior Handlers.



Judge Cindy Huggins, exhibitor Bill Nelson, Match Chair Dana Pritchett with Sugar on the table.



Judge Cindy Huggins examines a Tricolor



Fran puts Dave and Princess Katherine through their obedience paces.

Meeting Notice CCCKCSC General Meeting

Date: March 11, 2006

Time: 1:30 PM

Location: You Lucky Dog Day Care & Boarding @ 8604 Jersey Court

Program: BOD nominations, discussion to be followed by a Potluck Lunch.

Directions: This location is just south/east of 540 / US 70 junction. From 70 take Angus Dr., then left on Jersey Court.

Please bring a chair & dish to share for the pot luck.

CCCKCSC Board Meeting

Date: April 2006

Time: 6:30 PM

Location:

Home of Bill Nelson

Up Coming Events

Bark Around the Park

April 22, 2006

@ Millbrook Exchange Park

Spring Forest Rd. in Raleigh

A great play time for dogs with lots of games for dogs & vendors giving away treats, coupons and info.



Welcome New Members!

Sunny & Rick Lewis, Darcy Nagle and Meg Stradling were voted in at the November meeting. Sonny showed her new puppy in the A match, Darcy is providing a wonderful home for a dog in need of a new home. Meg has owned Cavaliers for several years and is the owner of U Lucky Dog of Raleigh, a daycare facility.



Editor's Corner

I look forward to letters and articles submitted to the newsletter. Given the mission of the club, these items should be informative, educational or humorous in nature. All submissions must indicate the name of the author.

Any and all pertinent articles, educational material, book reviews, pictures and creative writing are welcome.

Please send your Articles, Obedience, Show, Agility results, pictures and litter announcements to the editor prior to the 1st of Aug., Oct., Dec., Feb., April, June.

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A well turned out Junior Handler

Clem and Inge Phillips' Max recently visited with the Lovelace's Cody, and everyone had a great time.

Cavalier Tidbit...

AKC registry for Cavaliers has increased 735% since 1996.



Clean Ears!!! AHHHHH...
That Tickles!!

General Announcements

Club Logo



The board of Directors continues to move forward with work on our club logo by reviewing elements created by a graphic designer. These elements were available for viewing @ www.CarolinaCavaliers.com.

Several elements have been selected as representative if our club and area and will be incorporated into a single graphic identity.

Stay Tuned!!!

AWARDS BANQUET

The evening of January 7th was cold and bitter outside and warm and cozy inside as the Central Carolinas Cavalier King Charles Spaniel Club gathered at the Stonewood Grill in North Raleigh. About 25 club members attended and shared in the 2005 successes of the puppies and the club.

Good fellowship and conversation flowed along with wonderful food and spirits, new members met senior members and friendships were started.

One of the wonderful benefits of the club is having that network of people to call when a puppy question comes up, when you need someone to pet sit, or you just want to arrange for a play date. We look forward to seeing you all in the coming year as activities are planned for pet members and showing members.



Bill Nelson, Janet Dalton & Cindy Huggins



The Private Dining Room at Stone Wood Grill was a wonderful setting for CCKCS Awards banquet and Judges dinner after the match.



**Don't forget to bring a dish to share for to the
Meeting & Potluck March.**



2006 AKC National Agility Championship Report

by Steve Wallis

This year's National Agility Championship and the Iams International/State Team Tournament was held January 13-15, 2006 in Tampa, FL along with the AKC/Eucanuba National Championship/Invitational for conformation and obedience. This is a great downtown venue in the city's large convention center. One large room for agility and another for conformation and obedience. In between were loads of vendors selling doggy related items from all over the US and even some from the UK. Because of the proximity of the two arenas, spectators could visit both without much walking.

Agility competition started on Friday with the Iams International/State Team Tournament. All participants in this event were grouped together with others from their home state. The best scores from the top four participants in each state were used to rank the teams. Illinois won the State Competition this year with teams of Border Collies and a Parsons Russell Terrier.

The AKC National Agility Championship began on Saturday. Each dog entered would run twice this day, once in a modified Excellent Standard course and once in a regular Jumpers with Weaves course. The Standard course differed from the usual in that it did not have a table obstacle and the course times were faster. Sunday brought one last run for everyone, a hybrid course made up of mostly jumps and tunnels with a teeter and an A frame thrown in for good measure. Most Cavaliers run in the twelve inch height division as the breed usually measures between 12 and 14 inches at the withers. This year there were 174 entries in the "twelve inch" division out of the trial's total entry of 686 dogs.

The finals in each height division were the highlight of the Sunday afternoon for spectators in the bleachers and for the exhibitors who stayed on. This is the part of the competition which will be televised in February on the Animal Planet channel. Dogs with the highest scores from the first three rounds qualified to compete in the finals where the winners were selected by the best time overall in the final round.

This year's event had only five Cavaliers entered, down from last year's total of nine. None of the five made it to the finals. So who was the fastest Cavalier this year you ask? It's MACH2 Maya RA. "Maya" is 3 year old black and tan bitch owned and handled by Karen Beattie Massey from Issaquah, WA. Maya and Karen finished 20th overall in the twelve inch division.

Next year will bring two stand alone AKC events. The National Agility Championship, reportedly to be held in the mid west (Oct.'06), and the AKC Agility Invitational which will be held in Long Beach, CA (Dec.'05). Dogs will have to pre-qualify to enter the 2007 Nationals, just like this year. The Invitational will host the top ranked dogs in each breed, much like the current AKC/Eucanuba National Championship/Invitational for the breed and obedience competitions.

For Additional Breed information, answers to health questions and interesting articles check out the

AKC Parent club web site @

www.ACKCSC.org



Interesting Reading...a book review

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Linda O. Johnson has written a book entitled Sit, Stay, Slay about a beautiful tri-color Cavalier King Charles Spaniel. The book evolves a great deal of high-powered L.A. law with an attorney who gets involved in a scandal, loses her position in the firm and starts a pet sitting service. Her faithful companion Lexie accompanies her everywhere. Thru Lexie we learn about the world of pet sitting, murder (oh My!) romance (oh lalal!) and how easy it is just to relax and enjoy a fun read.

Another author to read is Susan Conant, who has written a series of dog mysteries very similar to Lillian Jackson Braun's The Cat who... series.

The heroes of this series of books are Holly Winter, a pet columnist, along with her Malamutes, Rowdy and Kimi. The books involve a little murder and mystery, humor and romance and some information about the inside world of dogs.

Board of Directors Nominations

Nominations for the 2006-2007 term for the board of directors are now being accepted per the Club by-laws. Anyone interested in serving on the board may contact the nominating committee or be read from the floor at the March 2006 meeting.

The current officers have agreed to stand for election again with the exception of Frank Palmieri. Joyce McHenry has accepted a nomination.

The nominating committee members are Lynn Lake, (919-878-9599), Melinda Kelly (919-782-3771) and Cathy Eason(919-388-3005).

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