

## Rescue: Matties' story

Amy Leigh Martin

The CCKCSC has re-homed 6 Cavaliers this year. We are fortunate that none of these dogs were rescues in the sense that they came from bad homes or had been mistreated. Rather, they needed new homes due to the death of the owner or a family crisis. All have been successfully re-homed into permanent homes.

Cavalier's as a breed are fortunate in a way that many breed's are not. Due to the diligence of responsible breeder's screening prospective owners, the gentle nature of our breed, and their size, our breed doesn't have many "mistakes" in the way that some large breeds do. I suspect that the requests our rescue coordinator's receive for "adult, house broken, animals" come from people who have heard about the availability of adult, house broken animals from these other breeds. Our typical rescue is older (5+years) and many come with some health issues.

Our latest rescue was Mattie, a 9 year old black and tan female who came to us through a call from the American Cavalier King Charles Spaniel club. Mattie's owner had passed away several months prior to our acquiring her. A kind neighbor had cared for her but felt a better, more permanent solution was needed.

Mattie arrived in Raleigh during the Labor Day Dog show. Background information was a bit sketchy at first so she was whisked off to the vet for a health evaluation, check-up and spa treatment ( bath and nails;-) and then taken home for behavioral evaluation. The vet indicated that she was a bit over weight, had a grade 2 murmur, was missing a few teeth and had an outer ear infection but was otherwise in very good shape and had been well cared for at one time. She updated Mattie's vaccinations and recommended a good home environment, strict diet to reduce weight, and moderate exercise program to bring her back up to snuff.

Our rescue coordinator, Lynn Lake, had a candidate for a permanent home. An



**Mattie Sollie in her favorite spot.**

interview and meeting were arranged. Mattie was very sweet and docile...but had to be coached off her rug in the kitchen. In the end the prospective candidate decided that her household needed a more active dog to companion her young children.

Mattie, who started with me as a foster dog quickly settled into my home and heart. She has proven to be very docile, eager to please, and a general love bug with extremely good house manners. She has adapted well to my existing, rambunctious Cav (Angus). Mattie has come out of her shell a bit, is friendly and affectionate with people and has a charming sense of humor. She loves to stroll, sleep, and chew on her bones. A strict diet is sliming her down and is putting a spring back in her step, her ears have cleared up, and the shine has returned to her coat. Her favorite place is still the rug in the kitchen but she will now shadow me around the house.

Rescue is not inexpensive. The CCKCSC would like to gratefully acknowledge the generous donation made by Loraine Boutwell on behalf of Mattie's rescue.

## Meeting Notice CCCKCSC General Meeting

**Date:** Nov. 14 , 2004

**Time:** 2:00 PM

**Location:** Home of  
Dee & Steve Wallis  
6000 High Bluff Ct  
Raleigh 27612  
919-782-2558

**Program:** The Head of a  
Cavalier by Janet Dalton

**Directions:** Hwy 70 to  
West on Ebenezer Church  
Rd. to L on High Bluff

**To Bring:** A dish to  
share, a chair, your dog, and  
an x-pen if you care to.

## CCCKCSC Board Meeting

**Date:** Dec 9, 2004

**Time:** 7:00 PM

## Mark Your Calendar

- Newsletter submissions:  
Dec 20, 2004 -send in  
those questions, stories  
and announcements
- CCKCSC Awards Banquet  
Jan. 8, 2005 at Lucky 32  
in Raleigh.
- CCKCSC Fun Match -  
March 19, 2005, at  
Durham Kennel Club

## Grooming Your Cavalier: Part II

Gwen Wells

Many times you may have a need for some special products to use when grooming your dog.

Below is a list of some of my favorites, where to buy them and what their use is.

### **Chris Christensen White On White Shampoo-**

Used to make white on coat very bright and white.

### **Chris Christensen Thick N Thicker.**

A spray to help build body and hold without being sticky. Both of the Christensen products are available direct from his web site

[www.chrischristensen.com](http://www.chrischristensen.com)

**Plush Puppy** are some of the newest products and work great on cavalier coats.

**The Swishy Coat** product is best on heavy coats or to

keep hair weighted down.

**Volumising Cream** works exceptionally well to fluff out finer hair and make coat appear thicker.

### **Cover Up Cream**

is a thick cream and will cover any stain on white coat areas. Order direct from distributor of Plush Puppy in Tennessee at [www.plushpuppy.net](http://www.plushpuppy.net).

Whitener Cleaner from a company named Ring-5 is an easy spray - on chalk like product that is used to create volume while whitening the areas it is applied to. An alternative to chalk and much easier to use.

**Pet Silk** products are also great for cavalier coats. **Strengthening Silk Rinse and Texturizing Shampoo** for medium coats are two I use often. Pet silk also makes a whitening shampoo but I prefer the Christensen product for whitening. Pet Silk does make a product that is used to help remove mats & tangles and prevent them.

**Liquid Silk** can be used on wet or dry hair. I use this behind thick ear hair and on rears to help keep them from matting between baths. Best prices and assortments can be found on line at [www.petedge.com](http://www.petedge.com)

Self Rinse and Self

cleaning products are made by almost every major line. Used for quick clean ups of feet or soiled areas. They require no rinsing with water and dry quickly. Plush Puppy's has a great fragrance, works great but is very expensive.

Chris Christensen makes one called Show Off and works well.



## Care Tips

Beverly Lovelace tells us about a useful comb that Dee Wallis turned her on to and it has become a favorite .

The Untangler Super Groom Comb w/ 7" handle from PetEdge.com. The teeth on this comb swivel around independently of each other making it less likely to catch and pull small knots or even tangles that are starting. It's only \$3.99 and makes a great stocking stuffer.

## Responsible Dog Ownership Day

The American Kennel Club's Responsible Dog Ownership Day at Millbrook Exchange Park, scheduled for Sept 18th, was canceled due to the threat of a hurricane. As an alternative, Lynn Lake and Dee Wallis instead went to

Petsmart with three Cavaliers and talked with customers there about training dogs, grooming and proper care. Books on how to pick out puppies were discussed with Petsmart staff. Everyone had a great time.

### Puppy Tales

*Most Cavaliers love to go for rides. Beverly Lovelace tells us that Cody recently got to go on a movie drop off and visit with another Blenheim Cavalier who was also dropping off a young miss. These two lucky dogs caused quite a commotion with the five 7th grade girls attending the movie together. Must be puppy love!*

**Brag:**

Eileen Wilson's Tinker ( CH Gray Stone Tinker Toy) has received an invitation to the AKC/Eukanuba Obedience Invitational in January. This trial is for the top 4 dogs in most breeds.

Lynda Fairchild's Kelli (Foxhill Honor of Lynsfair) and Maudy (Foxhill Amanda of Lynsfair) just completed 100 nursing home visits and so earned their title of TDIA (Therapy Dogs International-Active). Joey (Lynsfair Malibu Joe) passed his CGC and TDI test.

Lynn Lake's Rhett was finished at the Alamance Show Labor Day weekend. Rhett also went Best of Breed, and Scarlet went Winners Bitch on Sunday at the Salisbury Kennel Club show.

Ella attended the Jacksonville KC match and won Best of Breed and Puppy Group 2.

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of Opposite at the Durham Kennel Club show.



**Hurray for Nina**



**Rhett Dude! shows his stuff**



**Billie Prepares**

**Show Info**

November 6th, 7th - Greensboro will host the Furniture City Kennel Club Show at the Greensboro Coliseum Complex Special Events Center. Superintendent is Bob Peters Dog shows. Cavalier judges are Raymond Filburn Jr. and Mrs. Beverley Lehnig.

November 20th & 21st -Greater Monroe Kennel Club show in Concord at the Cabarrus County Center. Superintendent is MB-F. Judges are Mrs. Anna Wanner and Mrs. Dorothy Martin. Winners Dog, Winners Bitch, and Best of Breed special rosettes and trophies are being provided by Gwen Wells and Dana Pritchett.

**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 obe-

dience classes.

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

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

[dpritchett@earthlink.net](mailto:dpritchett@earthlink.net)

**A heart clinic is planned for the fun match and 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.**



**Dana & Scout**



## Meeting Minutes—September 2004

The meeting was called to order at 1:45PM on September 11, 2004 at the home of Dee & Steve Wallis.

**Present were:** Bill Nelson, Margo Nelson, Steve & Dee Wallis, Dana Pritchett, Amy Martin, Lynn Lake, Mary Pickett, Carol Price, Melinda Kelly, Forrest & Elaine Aiken, Richard & Beverly Lovelace, Kate Corsaro, Michelle Potchak, David Kirkland, Stephen Roman, Diane Dillon, Clem & Inga Philips, Bill White, Kent Otto, Richard & Sandy Kahan, Jane Kyper. Minutes from the July 17, 2004 meeting were approved as published in the newsletter.

**President's Report:** none

**Secretary's Report:** The Secretary reported contact with the New Clubs department of AKC for information pertaining to accreditation. E-mail was received regarding a NC Cavalier in need of rescue.

**Treasurer's Report:** The club's checking account balance is \$3,358.97 as of 9/10/04. A check for \$76.32 was written to Jeff Curran for reimbursement for a bill he paid for web site hosting. Three deposits totaling \$694.00 were made. Receipts were for renewals, sale of Joyce's items, calendars, and rescue.

**Rescue Committee:** Lynn Lake reported the rescue and placement of Mattie, a black & tan bitch referred to the club by Carol Williams of the ACKCSC.

**Education Committee:** Dee Wallis announced today's program on the CKCS breed video will be followed by other programs on the breed standard. In November well known breeder and club member Janet Dalton will give a presentation on the Cavalier head.

President Nelson announced Elaine Aiken's appointment as club liaison to ACKCSC's Health Committee.

**Match Report:** Our next match will be held Saturday, March 19, 2005. Dr. Bruce Keene of the NCSU Veterinary Teaching Hospital has tentatively agreed to conduct a cardiology clinic. An all breed Canine Good Citizen test will also be held. Several vendors have indicated interest in attending and will sell breed related items. Dana Pritchett will be contacting club members in the coming weeks to request help with the match.

**Membership Committee:** Applications were read for four prospective members: Carol Price- sponsored by Dana Pritchett and Mary Pickett, Joyce McHenry - sponsored by Dee Wallis and Lynn Lake, and David Kirkland and Stephen Roman - sponsored by Steve Wallis and Bill Nelson. These applications will be read again and voted on at the November meeting. Dee Wallis announced the Board decided to make membership applications available only at member meetings. A new membership list was handed out and will be mailed to those members not in attendance.

**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.

**Unfinished Business:** None.

**New Business:** Amy Martin announced the club's participation in AKC's Responsible Dog Ownership Day at the Millbrook Exchange Park in Raleigh on September 18, 2004. There will be a club table and opportunity for the public to meet the several Cavaliers who will be attending.

**Announcements:** President Nelson announced copies of the illustrated breed standard were available at \$5.00. Steve Wallis announced there were still a few calendars for sale.



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Next meeting will be Sunday November 14, 2004 at 2:00pm at the home of the Wallis's.

Respectfully submitted, Steve Wallis – Secretary/Treasurer

## General Announcements

**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](mailto: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](mailto:deewallis@aol.com) or by regular mail.

**www.CarolinaCavaliers.com**, Our web site, is undergoing a updating. We are requesting new pictures for the website be submitted via e-mail to Jeff Curran at [curran@mindspring.com](mailto:curran@mindspring.com). Show shots, silly shots, all are welcome. We are also going to have a FAQ page on the site. Please send your questions to Dee Wallis or Amy Martin for BOD review and inclusion on site.

## The Older Cavalier

This month I had an enquiry from a club member about what to expect as Cavalier's age. This, in turn, lead me ask the club who had the oldest dog and for their input on the subject...

Jeff Curran's Zodi lived to be 16.

Kathy Eason's Zippy is an active 12 year old who still rules the roost despite a few health issues. She loves camping and hiking and is attended by the youngest of the pack, Bitsy, 7 years. Cathy's 8 year old, Kazoo, is the couch potato of the crew.

Judy Warren wrote to say that her Beau, 9 yrs, thinks TV is an interactive game and likes to bark at Miss Piggy.

He is a great companion, still good natured and a good guard dog ;-)

Several members wrote in to mention things to be aware of ...heart issues are a given, increased frequency of ear infections, UTI's, tooth lose and weight gain were the most common problems and increased sensitivity in digestive systems were mentioned.

Weight gain will aggravate all of the

## Editor's Notes

We distribute the Carolina Cavalier to other clubs throughout the country (as a courtesy) as well as to our membership.

I welcome articles, questions and comments, & brags for the newsletter. Please send submissions to: [amyleighmartin@msn.com](mailto:amyleighmartin@msn.com).

When submitting for **Brags**, please list both the owners and dogs full names as well as everyday names as I may not recognize you by your e-mail address.

**Puppy Tales** do not require the same formality.

Thanks for everyone's contributions.

Amy Leigh Martin, Editor



## Bookends

above conditions and can be difficult to control as we pamper our furry friends ( and ourselves) with treats.

Brushing teeth will help prevent gum disease and tooth lose, which can contribute to heart problems. Check with your vet for foods suitable for dogs who have lost teeth. Goopy canned food is not always the best choice for the toothless dog.

So watch the snacks, keep ears clean and clipped as necessary, brush after meals, but most of all, enjoy their affection.

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## Favorite Recipe from September Meeting Potluck Buffet

**Beverly's Chili**

A good can opener is required! :-)

1-2 pounds of ground beef (or other meat or soy, if desired)

2 cans Bush's Chili Magic chili starter (I use Texas Medium, but can use mild if desired)

1 can Bush's Black Beans

1 can Bush's Dark Red Kidney Beans

1 can Bush's Large Butter Beans

1 can DelMonte Whole New Potatoes (14.5 oz can) - optional

1 can Ro\*Tel "Diced in Sauce" tomatoes & green chilies

1 can Ro\*Tel "Mexican Festival" Diced tomatoes with lime juice & cilantro

Brown the meat. Open all the cans. Pet the Cavalier(s). Rinse the beans by letting water run through the can and empty a few times. Drain the water out of the potatoes. Get a Cavalier kiss. After the meat is brown, drain the fat off, return to pan. Add in all ingredients (except the Large Butter Beans) and stir well. Now tell the Cavalier(s) how beautiful they are. Add the butter beans and gently stir (they are more delicate!) into the rest. If desired, cut some of the larger potatoes in half, etc.

Bring to a boil and then lower heat and simmer for a while - at least until all ingredients are nice and hot - 30 minutes or more is ideal. You can add more spice to taste, if desired (I didn't add anything else the day of the picnic!). Now, take a nap with the Cavalier(s) from all that hard "can opening"!!! Spicy dreams!

## Honorable Mention in the desert Category

For all of you who don't cook or don't have time to cook ( yes that's most of us at one time or another;-) Lynn Lake brought a delightful and delectable Fruit and Custard Tart that was as good to eat as it was pretty to look at. She found this treat at Harris Teeter!

We're on the web at

[www.carolinacavaliers.com](http://www.carolinacavaliers.com)