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CSCOC Newsletter

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CSCOC Highlights

Membership Statements

Just a friendly reminder that if dues are not received before October 1, your club membership will lapse. For your convenience, reminder statements are again included in this newsletter. Please remit your payments to the Club Treasurer, Linda Praznik, ASAP. If you have any questions regarding your dues, please contact Linda.

August Potluck

It can easily be said that the August Potluck was a resounding success. There were Many great dishes ranging from italian, mexican, great chili, home-baked beans, salads, to delicious desserts. Many thanks to those members who came and participated in this great food-fest.



September Program Meeting

Accompanying our regularly scheduled business meeting, we are planning a movement program. We are hoping to get several dogs for critique of various styles of movement. Hope to see you there.

Club Web-site

If you haven't checked it out lately. You can now view the club newsletter online in either Word 2000 or PDF formats. All personalized information of club members has been deleted so to protect our members' privacy. Upcoming soon online, will be Futurity nomination forms & Membership applications.

Futurity

To date, 3 litters have been nominated for the 2002 Winter Futurity and 0 puppies. There has been 1 bitch nominated 2003 Summer Futurity.

Eye Clinic

Antelope Valley Kennel Club will host a K-9 Eye Clinic for dog breeders to screen for genetic eye disorders (CERF examinations only) on Sept 14, 2002, at Petco - 39522 10th street west, Palmdale, Ca. (New store Location). Dr. Steel will be doing the exam. \$20 per dog. Please call (661) 270-1680 to schedule an appointment. *Please bring AKC/registration numbers and date of birth of each dog to complete the required form.

Upcoming Meetings

Board Meeting

Tuesday, August 27, 2002
7:30pm



General Meeting

Tuesday, September 3, 2002
7:30pm



The following are the objectives which this Club honors and abides by:

To encourage and promote the breeding of pure-bred Cocker Spaniels and to do all possible to bring their natural qualities to perfection:

To urge members and breeders to accept the standard of the breed as approved by the American Kennel Club as the only standard of excellence by which Cocker Spaniels shall be judged:

To do all in its power to protect and advance the interests of the breed by encouraging sportsmanlike competition at dog shows, obedience trials and field trials.

To conduct sanctioned and licensed specialty shows, obedience trials, and field trials under the rules of the American Kennel Club.

CSCOC Highlights (cont'd)

2002 Summer Specialty

We're still wrapping up final issues and are finding that we missed acknowledging the contributions of some of our members.... Many thanks to Bob & Rita Lewis for their outstanding efforts in coordinating the post-show hospitality. It's probably best said by Debra Praznik's comments: "And a very special thanks to Bob and Rita Lewis for their donation of the post-show, pre-dinner hospitality. The food was fabulous and the wine superb. (How did they get all that stuff prepared in time? I know their cockers are smart, but.....) Judging by the quantities consumed, everyone clearly enjoyed themselves. (And as a volunteer bottle opener, wine pourer for this portion of the event, I speak from first-hand observation.) All in all, it was truly a class act!"

2002 Winter Specialty

Final parent club approval has been received for the specialty in December. Many thanks to Quinn Ruvacava who has volunteered to be trophies chairperson. We are still hoping to have a volunteer for a raffle at the December show. If you are interested in coordinating this effort or would like more information, please contact Mindy.

2003 Summer Specialty

We have been notified that the location that was used to hold this year's specialty will not be available in 2003. At this time, Shoreline Dog Fanciers and Long Beach Kennel Club have not made a decision how to resolve the location issue for next summer. This will affect our summer specialty as well. At this time, we are waiting for further information from Shoreline and Long Beach. If you would like more information regarding this issue, please contact Julie Virosteck.

Judge Nominations

At the September Meeting, nominations and selections will be opened for the following judging slates. Please come prepared with your recommendations:

- 2003 Summer Specialty—
 - Futurity & Sweepstakes
 - Obedience
 - Jr. Showmanship
- 2004 Summer Specialty —
Regular Classes

Membership Chairman

Rita Lewis has recently stepped down from her position as Membership Committee Chairperson. Many thanks to Rita for all her work on the

membership committee. Quinn Ruvacava has stepped forward and volunteered to be our club's new membership chairperson. Many thanks to Quinn.

Membership Applications

A membership application has been received for consideration from
Jane Wade
The application will be read at the September Meeting and voted on at the October Meeting.

Volunteers Still Needed !! CSCOC Needs Your Support

- **Christmas Dinner Chairperson:** It's getting late, folks and we need to get started on this!
 - **2002 Raffle Chairperson—
Winter Specialty**
 - **2003 CSCOC Show
Chairperson**
 - **CSCOC Fund-Raising
Committee Chairperson**
- If you are interested in any of these positions, please contact Julie Virosteck.

Other Information Biscuits.....

Please Find Enclosed

- Membership Dues Statements
- Events In September

Future Meeting Reminders

- September General Meeting —
As Scheduled —Sept 3, 2002
- September Board Meeting —
As Scheduled —Sept 24, 2002
- October General Meeting —
As Scheduled— October 1, 2002

News Clips

If you have any articles you'd like to have included in future newsletters, please mail them to Mindy.

If you know of someone interested in Cocker and our Club's activities, perhaps they would like to receive a complimentary 3-month subscription. Forward their name and address to Mindy.



For a 12-month subscription, please forward a \$10.00 check payable to CSCOC to the Newsletter Editor:
Mindy Donovan-Tandy, Newsletter Editor
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Events In September

Date	Event	Judge
9/1—9/2	Simi Valley Kennel Club Van Nuys, CA	James E. Noe Jon R. Cole
9/7—9/8	Dog Agility Club of Chino Chino, CA	Tamara Fields Domico Sharon Kihara
9/7-9/8	Conejo Kennel Club Newbury Park, CA	Yuji Mihara Arlene Davis
9/8	Golden State Dog Fanciers All Breed & Obedience Match West Covina, CA	Contact (e-mail) ford46rag@aol.com for detailed information
9/15	Golden State Dog Fanciers All Breed & Obedience Match West Covina, CA	Contact (e-mail) ford46rag@aol.com for detailed information
9/15	Antelope Valley Kennel Club All Breed & Obedience Match Lancaster, CA	Contact (661) 946-1981 for detailed information
9/21—9/22	Santa Ana Valley Kennel Club Cypress, CA	Paul Wolff Patricia Lipinski
9/28—9/29	Kennel Club of Riverside Perris, CA	Gloria Mitcham-Geringer Debbie Campbell
9/28—9/29	Hollywood Dog Obedience Club Burbank, CA	Daniel Prestby Eva Martin

**CSCOC Board
Members**

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Julie Virosteck

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Mindy Donovan-Tandy

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Marleta McFarlane

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Linda Praznik

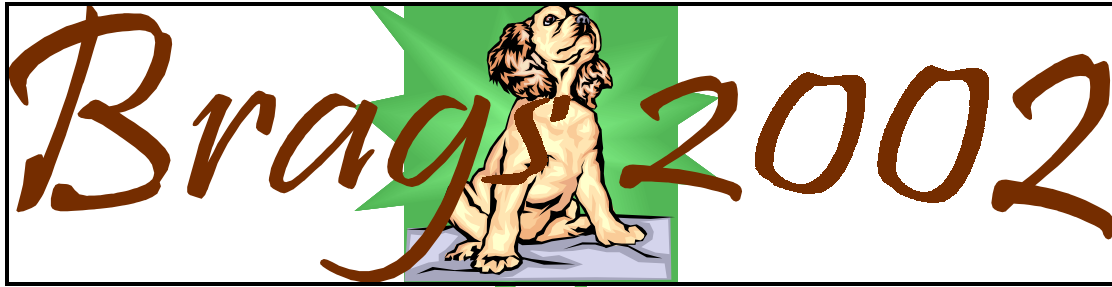
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Delegate:
Quinn Ruvacava

Delegate:
Lois Wilson

Delegate:
Doug McFarlane

Past-President:
Hap Jones



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Quinn Ruvacava—Lori Garris

Julez Blue Diamond entered his 1st Cocker Only Agility National out in San Antonio, Texas and did GREAT!

Doggone Casey At the Bat took 3rd in her class at the National!

Julie Virostek

Ch. Doggone Justa Minute competed in Agility in San Antonio, Texas at the Cocker National and put in a wonderful performance! Many thanks to Quinn for handling her to perfection!

Congratulations to Kevin who placed in his Junior Handling Class at the National who showed Ch. Doggone Batter Up.

Mindy, Jerry, & Scott Tandy

Doggone Pinch Hitter did a great job at the Cocker National in Texas placing 2nd in his Futurity Class and 2nd again in his regular class.

Congratulations to Scott for a job well-done in showing Ch. Doggone Off Like A Shot, CGC, in his Juniors Class in Texas.

A great debut was made at the Mt. Palomar Show with Naples Black Silk Stockings (our new Great Dane puppy). "Nikki" took 3rd & 4th in her class, respectively, both days. And on Saturday, Scotty & Nikki took 4th in Juniors!

Doug & Marleta McFarlane & Marissa O'Connor

"Bolt" is now Doggone Lightning Strikes, CD, AX, AXJ. Last weekend at the PBGB Agility Trials, he completed his "Excellent A Standard" title with a first place. He later qualified in JWW Excellent B, giving him 6 legs in 6 shows toward the 10 needed to achieve his master title. The next day he qualified again in JWW (Jumpers with weaves) giving him 7 legs. He has in 7 shows... 60 mach points. Bolt now competes in Excellent B in both JWW & Standard.



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Fran Praznik

Lace's Diamond Sparkle took Winners Bitch and Best Opposite Sex at the Mt. Palomar Show in Vista!
Congratulations!

Linda Praznik

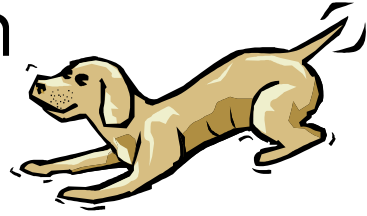
Ch. Jo-Bea's Fortune Cookie knocked 'em dead and took Best of Variety (BOV) at the Mt. Palomar Show!

And 7 (that's SEVEN) Praznik Cockers are in featured in the Pet Pride Calendar!! Whoo Hoo!

Jane Wade

At the Cocker National in San Antonio, Texas, Jane took 1st place in the 12-18 month Class with her parti-bitch, TERJE'S TRI THE RUMOR, and then took 2nd place in her 12-18 Month Class with her ASCOB bitch, ST' JAMES COTTON CANDY. Congratulations to Jane for a great showing at her first National!

Decorating With Dogs



- 1. Bare floors, without carpet or throw rugs, can give a nice open feeling to a room. It can provide a soothing balance when you have many art objects that reflect your love of animals.**
- 2. Paw prints and nose smudges on glass doors and windows break up glare and soften the light in a room.**
- 3. Dog crates, when stacked three high, can add height to a room and pull the eye up. If fastened securely to the wall, the top can provide a safe and dramatic place for exotic plants or statuary that otherwise might be molested by your pets. An up light can make it a real focal point. Cats love to inhabit the upper crates, leaving the lower ones for the dogs.**
- 4. Old towels and blankets thrown casually on upholstered furniture can add a wonderful homey, country-quilt look to an otherwise bland room.**
- 5. Common smooth upholstery fabrics can look almost velvety when lightly textured with pet hair.**
- 6. Vari-kennels, placed end to end and topped with plate glass can create an unusual coffee table, one your friends will really remember.**
- 7. Doggie beds, randomly placed around a room, can add color and texture, much as throw pillows do.**
- 8. Shredded or chewed books and magazines send a message to guests that they are free to relax and feel at home.**
- 9. Dog crates can make versatile end tables, and can be slip covered to match any room decor.**
- 10. There is absolutely nothing that makes a guest feel as welcome as three friendly dogs hopping in his lap as soon as he sits down.**

So throw away those videos by Martha and others, and express your own unique tastes. Your home should reflect what YOU like!