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# CSCOC Newsletter

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## CSCOC Highlights .....

### November Program Meeting

A movement program has been scheduled for the November Meeting. Some of our members are bringing their dogs to demonstrate various movement styles.

### Lapsed Memberships

As of October 1, the following memberships lapsed. CSCOC would like to extend its thanks to these members for their support of the Club's past activities and events. An updated roster is included in this issue of the newsletter.

Linda Goldbaum  
Juan & Tracy Gomez  
Teddy McPhee  
Geneva Potepan  
Ryan Wolfe

### Membership Applications

Membership applications were read at the September Meeting for:

Jane & James Wade

The above applicants will be voted on at the October Meeting.

Membership applications were received and will be read at the October Meeting for:

Art & Chris Johnston

## Upcoming Meetings

### Board Meeting

Tuesday, October 29, 2002

*Canceled*

### General Meeting

Tuesday, November 5, 2002



**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.*



Events In November .....

Date	Event	Judge
11/2	San Gabriel Valley Kennel Club Irwindale, CA	William Bergum
11/3	Antelope Valley Kennel Club Irwindale, CA	Beatrice Goodman
11/3	Paw Prints Dog Club Agility Show N Go Victorville, CA	Contact (e-mail) Deanna Adams: singenn@ciso.com <a href="http://members.aol.com/k9news/">http://members.aol.com/ k9news/</a>
11/8	Cabrillo Kennel Club Match All-Breed Sanctioned "B" Rancho Santa Fe, CA	Contact Charles Rowe (619) 465-2538
11/9	Del Sur Kennel Club Rancho Santa Fe, CA	Bonnie Threlfall
11/10	Cabrillo Kennel Club Rancho Santa Fe, CA	Carl Liepmann
11/10	Golden State Dog Fanciers All-Breed and Obedience Match Covina, CA	Contact (e-mail): ford46rag@aol.com
11/22	Cocker Spaniel Club of Ari- zona Specialty Goodyear, AZ	Robert Robinson
11/23— 11/24	Orange Empire Dog Club Agility AKC Trial Bloomington, CA	Info: <a href="http://members.aol.com/k9news/">http://members.aol.com/ k9news/</a>

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**The Brags Page is dedicated to those who wish to share with others. Not always does it have to be about dogs or about happy times. The wish to share is all that counts.**

**Jane & James Wade**

Our black/tan boy, Omni N Double J's Sirius ("Logan"), went Winners Dog, Best of Winners & Best of Variety at the Santa Ana Shows for another 3 points. At the Riverside Show on Sunday, he went Best of Winners and Best Opposite Sex for another point. He is now up to 9 points with a major at 8 months of age.

**Julie Virosteck**

It's now CH. Doggone First Base ("Specs") and CH. Doggone The Natural ("Bobby"). They both finished on September 21st, one on each coast.

Emily is going to have a baby due in May of next year making Julie a grandma again!

**Lois Wilson**

Ch. Glenmurray's Bye Bye Blues had 4 puppies—3 Black girls and 1 Black boy. She was bred to Ch. Charisma's Five O'Clock Shadow owned by Linda Moore.

## Eco-Terror Ties Put PETA Funding At Risk

Article from FoxNews.com—Dated September 17, 2002  
<http://www.foxnews.com/story/0,2933,63246,00.html>  
Article Submitted by Julie Virosteck

**LOS ANGELES — Critics of People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals are pushing for an end to the group's tax-exempt, non-profit status following revelations the organization gave money to eco-terrorists blamed for a Vail ski resort fire and other acts of violence.**

Records show that PETA, known for its publicity stunts on behalf of animal rights, has given monetary support to the Environmental Liberation Front, which has been blamed for the Vail attack and other acts.

"We did it, we did it. We gave \$1,500 to the ELF for a specific program," said PETA President Lisa Lange.

Lange did not say which program PETA sponsored. But from burning down buildings to blowing up SUVs, ELF is one of America's largest domestic terrorist group, the FBI says.

"They are an underground organization that consists of numerous cells throughout the United States," said FBI agent David Szany.

ELF last week admitted to torching a U.S. Forest Service laboratory in Pennsylvania in August. The blaze caused \$700,000 in damage and destroyed 70 years of research.

In 1998, the group claimed responsibility for the fire at Vail, which cost \$12 million in damage. ELF members said they wanted to stop expansion of the resort, which they said could further damage the habitat for the endangered lynx.

"Anyone who is making money off the destruction of the natural environment could be a target," ELF spokesman Craig Rosebraugh said last February, before testifying at a House subcommittee hearing.

PETA's sympathies for ELF actions were apparent in a recent speech by PETA Vice President Bruce Friedrich. "I think it would be great if all of the fast-food outlets, slaughterhouses, these laboratories and the banks that fund them exploded tomorrow," he said.

*PETA payouts to environmental radicals include:*

- \$5,000 to Josh Harper, who was convicted of assaulting police and firing on a fishing vessel;
- \$2,000 to Dave Wilson, convicted of firebombing a fur cooperative;
- \$7,500 to Fran Trutt, convicted of attempted murder of a medical executive;
- \$20,000 to Rodney Coronado, convicted of burning a research lab at Michigan State.

Now, a congressman from the Vail area and some pro-business activists want PETA to be investigated. Rep. Scott McInnis, R-Colo., is probing PETA's alleged ties to violent activism.

"There is a fine line between endorsing something in a speech and helping them financially," McInnis said. "PETA got caught this time around." Activist Ron Arnold is asking the IRS to revoke PETA's tax-exempt status for appearing to support criminal acts. The effort could cripple PETA's \$13 million funding campaign. "The law is clear ... [a] charitable organization can't advocate acts of civil disobedience, acts that break the law," Arnold, of the Center for Defense of Free Enterprise, said. Asked about their non-profit status and questionable payments, PETA officials call the allegations against them untrue.

But the Center for Consumer Freedom says PETA donations to the ELF, even if intended to be used for lawful purposes, still fund a terrorist organization.

"If PETA had used its tax-exempt donations from the public to make a sizable gift to Al Qaeda, Hamas or the Irish Republican Army, we would not be having a discussion about whether or not it is technically possible to make a donation to terrorists without intending the funds be used to conduct terrorism," wrote Richard Berman, executive director of the D.C.-based advocacy group, in a letter to McInnis.

*Fox News' William LaJeunesse contributed to this report.*

## Canine Epilepsy

### *I think my dog had a seizure...What do I do now?*

Have you ever seen a dog in seizure? You may have noticed the dog standing motionless for a minute or two with its eyes “glazed over”, or the dog may have been writhing on the ground with full-blown convulsions. In the first case, you may not even have realized the dog was having a seizure. In the latter, it may have been one of the most frightening experiences in your life. But in ALL cases, seizures caused by epilepsy are a very serious canine health problem, now ranking among the top three health issues in purebred dogs, including Flushing Spaniels.

In recognition of this, the ASCF has awarded its first grant to the University of Missouri for its study of molecular genetic causes of canine epilepsies. The Foundation’s Executive Director David Donaldson, says, “We were very pleased to offer this matching grant in cooperation with the Canine Health Foundation to be used specifically for the benefit of Flushing Spaniels on what is one of the most troubling genetic problems within our collective breeds. This project seemed particularly suited for the Foundation as our first grant award since our research indicated the best chance of real progress.”

Members of American Spaniel Club and all other interested breeders and owners will have a unique opportunity to learn more about epilepsy by attending “*I think my dog had a seizure...what do I do now?*”, a seminar presented by Liz Hansen, Coordinator of Veterinary Information for Dr. Gary Johnson’s lab at the University of Missouri College of Veterinary Medicine. Ms. Hansen will present the seminar on Sunday, January 5 from 9 to 10 A.M. during ASC’s annual Flushing Spaniel show. This not-to-be-missed presentation will focus on outlining the research underway to find genetic markers and explain how owners and breeders can assist in that research. The seminar will also attempt to define the disease (not all seizures ARE epilepsy) and explain how to recognize it.

One of the most striking parts of Ms. Hansen’s seminar will be a video presentation of dogs actually in seizure. She says, “A seizure is always frightening and can take many forms. The video is extremely helpful in showing what they can look like. The more you know about

what can happen, the more you can be in control of the disease if it happens to one of your dogs.” Ms. Hansen, who has had instances of epilepsy in her own Standard Schnauzer breeding program, says, “Many breeders and owners feel that epilepsy is not a concern for them because there hasn’t been any in their lines. I could have said the same about my Standard Schnauzers until six years ago.”

Ms. Hansen’s group in Missouri is part of a consortium, organized by her supervisor Dr. Johnson, which is conducting research into this difficult health issue on several fronts. The University of Missouri is trying to determine, among other things, what is “normal onset”, what is the typical pattern or progression, and is working with pedigree evaluation to find the “mode of inheritance”. A collaborating research group in Minnesota studying epilepsy in Vizslas indicates that the disease is a simple recessive issue in that breed – a critical discovery which will now assist Vizsla breeders in their breeding decisions. To make the same good progress with Cockers and other Flushing Spaniels, the University of Missouri program needs a great deal more information and samples.

We urge you and all Flushing Spaniel lovers to join us on January 5. In the words of Ms. Hansen, “You never know when epilepsy is going to hit. But if you have some basic knowledge, you will have some power to deal with the disease.”

*Elena Duggan*  
ASC Public Education Committee

**WHAT:** *“I think my dog had a seizure...what do I do now?”*

**WHEN:** Sunday, January 5, 9 – 10 A.M.

**WHERE:** Adams Mark Hotel, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania  
Room to be announced

**HOW:** Admission is free and open to all interested parties

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**If you have questions about the seminar, contact:**  
**Wilma Parker at [wilmap@cinci.rr.com](mailto:wilmap@cinci.rr.com)**

**To access the epilepsy consortium’s website:**  
**[www.canine-epilepsy.net](http://www.canine-epilepsy.net)**

**To contact Liz Hansen at the University of Missouri College of Veterinary Medicine: (573) 884-3712; [HansenL@missouri.edu](mailto:HansenL@missouri.edu)**

Have A Fun and Safe Halloween  
Keep Your Dogs Out Of The Goodies!  
Remember Chocolate Is A Killer!

