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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

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.

Upcoming Meetings

Board Meeting

Tuesday, October 29, 2002

Canceled

General Meeting

Tuesday, November 5, 2002



CSCOC Highlights (cont'd)

2002 Winter Specialty

We're already getting donations for the December Raffle.

Keep them coming, folks.



Christmas Dinner Party

The Marie Callendar's Restaurant in Corona has been booked for our December event which is scheduled on our regular meeting day (1st Tuesday of the month). Hope to see you and your families there. If you have any questions, please contact Bea Jones.

2003 Eye Clinic

Chairperson, Debra Praznik, is working on scheduling our annual eye clinic for next year. More information will be forthcoming.

Upcoming Programs

We are hoping to schedule a presentation regarding Event Committees. When an unfortunate / inappropriate incident happens at a show, an event committee is convened to review what happened. The presentation will cover when to conduct a review, how and why. We are tentatively scheduling the program for February 2003.

Volunteers Still Needed !!
CSCOC Needs Your Support

- **2003 CSCOC Show Chairperson (December)**
- **CSCOC Fund-Raising Committee Chairperson**

If you are interested in any of these positions, please contact Julie Virosteck.

How many dogs does it take to change a light bulb?

Golden Retriever: the sun is shining, the day is young, we've got our whole lives ahead of us and you're inside worrying about a stupid burned out light bulb?
Border Collie: Just one. And I'll replace any wiring that's not up to code.
Dachshund: I can't reach the stupid light bulb!
Toy Poodle: I'll just blow in the Border collie's ear and he'll do it. By the time he finishes rewiring the house, my nails will be dry.
Rottweiler: Go Ahead! Make me!
Shi-tzu: Pug-leeze, dah-ling. Let the servants do it!
Lab: Oh, me, me!! Pleeeeeeze let me change the light bulb? Can I? Can I? Huh? Huh? Can I?
Malamute: Let the Border Collie do it. You can feed me while he's busy.
Cocker Spaniel: Why change it? I can still pee on the carpet in the dark.
Doberman Pinscher: While it is dark, I'm going to sleep on the couch.
Mastiff: Mastiffs are NOT afraid of the dark.
Hound Dog: ZZZZZZZZZZZZZZZZZZZZZZZZZ
Chihuahua: Yo quiero Taco Bulb.
Irish Wolfhound: Can somebody else do it? I've got a hangover.
Pointer: I see it, there it is, right there!
Greyhound: It isn't moving, who cares!
Australian Shepherd: Put all the light bulbs in a little circle....

Other Information Biscuits.....

Please Find Enclosed

- Events In November
- Canine Epilepsy Article
- PETA Article

Future Meeting Reminders

- November Board Meeting – **As Scheduled —Nov 26, 2002**
- December General Meeting — **As Scheduled — Dec 3, 2002**
- December Board Meeting – **As Scheduled— Dec 31, 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 Cockers 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
E-Mail: MLDT@earthlink.net

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 http://members.aol.com/k9news/
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 Arizona Specialty Goodyear, AZ	Robert Robinson
11/23—11/24	Orange Empire Dog Club Agility AKC Trial Bloomington, CA	Info: http://members.aol.com/k9news/

CSCOC Board Members

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Brags 2002



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-expemt 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
ASCF 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

If you have questions about the seminar, contact:
Wilma Parker at wilmap@cinci.rr.com

To access the epilepsy consortium's website:
www.canine-epilepsy.net

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

Have A Fun and Safe Halloween

Keep Your Dogs Out Of The Goodies!

Remember Chocolate Is A Killer!

