

The Cavalier Chronicle

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CHANGE OF MEETING LOCATION

It was so good to see all of you at this past month's meeting! We really had a good turn out. Lots of faces that we've missed over the summer and lots of lively discussion. This club can only be successful with all of you participating and making the decisions for the club. And we have plenty of those to make in the next few months with our upcoming specialty and our club's hosting of the ACKCSC National. Hopefully now that fall is upon us, we'll see more of you regularly at the meetings again.

This next month David Fisher will be bringing everyone up to date with the progress of the plans for our show and hoping to recruit assistance from many with the activities surrounding the show. There are still many decisions to be made that we have not had to make before (due to our participation with the cluster) and many jobs to fill (again we've not had to fill many roles because of our participation with the cluster). This time our show is all on our shoulders—which means the success or lack there of rests with us!

Being aware that Red Lobster does not have the most conducive layout in which to conduct our meetings, especially if we want to have a program or guest speaker, our Board decided to hold their working meeting this past week at a place that many of us remember: Stake and Ale. Well they had an enjoyable meal that was served well. They found that there is a new manager that welcomed our group back if we would give them another chance. So we will again give Stake and Ale a second chance start-

ing in November and see if they will be willing to work with us. Many of us remember that we were able to have various programs and speakers at our meetings.

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and it was only several months prior to our leaving that the quality and service went bad. So here's hoping that we will find that this will work for us once again. Who says 'You can never go home again'? For our club returning to Stake and Ale is like going home again!

Looking forward to seeing all of you there in November! It's the same exist that you've been taking, just turn right instead of left.

Location: Stake and Ale

2159 North Lake Parkway

Tucker, GA 30084

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WHAT'S ON MY MIND

It was great to see such a good turnout for the last meeting. Thanks to those of you who turned out. The rest of you are encouraged to come out for the November and December meetings as well as the holiday party.

At the October general meeting, several members shared some valuable input and ves, some had a chance to vent their frustrations, including me. Your board members and I took all the input to heart and had some ideas of our own.

We met on Tuesday October 25 and did some great work, planning for not only the May 2006 show, but several programs and events in the meantime. We also tried out a new/old meeting location... the old Steak and Ale off La Vista is under new management and has available space on our meeting dates for the rest of the year. We held our board meeting there. The staff made every effort to make us feel wel-

PROPOSED AGENDA:

NOVEMBER

Minutes of last meeting - corrections/additions Report of the Secretary Report of the Treasurer

Report of the Committees:

CKCSC Gr. Atlanta 2006 Show ACKCSC 2006 National Show Sunshine Rescue

Unfinished Business:

Puppy Picnic Supported Entry - Priceville, AL Survey

Lu Dunham

come. The food was good, the room quiet and we feel that it will be an improvement on the past few locations where it is very difficult to conduct a meeting and service has been less than stellar.

Please plan to join us for what I believe will be a good business meeting November 1 at 7:30pm at the Steak and Ale in Tucker. Directions are published in this issue of the newsletter. If you want dinner, please come be-

tween 7 and 7:15 to place your order so we can begin the meeting on time.

David Fischer has been hard at work as your show chair for 2006. He is planning to be at the meeting on Nov. 1 and will most certainly be looking for volunteers for the show committee. I too have a list of National show committees that need your time and talents.

The Nominating Committee will be compiling their slate of officers and board for 2006 in the next few weeks. The names of the committee are listed elsewhere in this issue with contact information. Please give this process some thought and share your wants and ideas with the committee. This is your club and your input makes it work. We want a slate of officers and board of directors who will work to make the club what you want it to be. No club can succeed without the thoughts and talents of many. As we go forward into the New Year, I ask you to think of how you can help this club to grow and become what it can be.

And stay tuned for upcoming programs on AKC procedures for bench committees, a presentation on the Canine Good Citizen program, our holiday party on December 11th at the home of Jeff and Vickie Herring. Oh yes, one more thing, we're already beginning plans for what promises to be the best Puppy Picnic and Members' Fun Match yet! Details will be announced in future newsletters.

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2006 NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The officers and board members of The Cavalier King Charles Spaniel Club of Greater Atl, Inc met on Oct 4th at 7:00pm to select a nominating committee. This committee will nominate one candidate for each office and position on the board for our 2006 officers. The nominating committee that was selected are as

follows: Kay-C Phipps, Chairperson; Gerri Dueringer, and Susan Lewis. Two alternates selected are: Jeff Herring and Carolyn Powell.

If you are interested in recommending an individual for consideration by the committee, please speak / communicate this information to one of the members as soon as possible. Our by-laws state that the Nominating Committee must submit a slate of officers for the next election to the club Secretary no later than two weeks prior to the December meeting (December 6). Nominations from the floor will be taken at the December meeting.

NEW AKC DNA REQUIREMENTS

It is with fond memories and great sadness that we say goodbye to a founding member and past club officer.

Joann Zepp crossed over the Rainbow Bridge to rejoin many of her beloved Cavaliers earlier this month. She worked hard for our breed and our club for many, many years.

The Board of the Cavalier King Charles Spaniel Club of Greater Atlanta voted on behalf of our club to make a donation to the ACKCSC Charitable Trust in her memory. We feel that in this way, Joanne's memory will continue to work for the betterment and health of our breed.

For any who wish to send condolences to her husband, Ron:

Ron Zepp 262 Blue Bird Lane Dallas GA 30157

AKC ADOPTS NEW DNA REQUIREMENT FOR IMPORTED DOGS INTENDED FOR BREEDING

New York, NY - The American Kennel Club (AKC(r)) announced today that any imported dog or bitch registered with the AKC on or after March 1,

2006 will be required to have an AKC DNA profile prior to registering their first litter whelped in the United States.

The policy will require any imported dogs or bitches that sire or produce an AKC-registered or FSS-enrolled litter to have an AKC DNA profile on file before their litter applications will be accepted into the AKC registry. However, from March 1 - May 1, 2006 there will be a limited phase-in period. During this time AKC will register affected litters without delay and notify the owner of the new requirement.

"AKC's DNA consultant Elaine Ostrander and I met with the AKC Board in December 2004 to begin reviewing our DNA program," said AKC Assistant Vice President of Compliance Tom Sharp. "This new DNA requirement for all imported sires and dams was a new initiative the AKC Board approved this year. As a result, AKC will be able to verify all progeny from imported animals moving forward."

MEMBER BRAG

New Champion



O'Skots Oysters and Perals

Owned by Susan Robinson, Lu Dunham, Helen Jesse and Sheree Moses completed her Championship at the Atlanta / Newnan shows with back-to-back majors.

CONGRATULATIONS

The Houston Cavalier King Charles Spaniel Club posted the following to the ACKCSC National List in October:

Our 2nd Plan "A match has been qualified with AKC and we will be looking to have our first licensed specialty, hopefully, next summer!

Congratulations to all of their club members for the hard work that we know it took to get to this point. We can look forward to having another Cavalier Specialty in the South that we can attend in the coming year.

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A SHORT PAWS FOR 'PAWS'

It's time for a short PAWS celebration! Senator Santorum, S1139's author, the bill's cosponsors and its supporters, the AKC, HSUS, DDAL, PETA and other animal rights groups have suffered a very significant setback. On July 27, 2005 Sen. Santorum made the following statement on the Senate floor.

As chairman of the Senate Agriculture Committee's Subcommittee on Research, Nutrition and General Legislation, which has jurisdiction over PAWS, I intend to convene a hearing and mark-up of PAWS shortly after the August recess to make technical corrections, and to clarify some of the bill's language to better reflect our intentions as set forth in this statement.

PAWS opponents were excluded from the "technical corrections" deliberations of the Senator and also denied the opportunity to deliver testimony at PAWS subcommittee hearings planned for September and October. Both of these hearings were subsequently canceled and it's extremely unlikely that any PAWS hearing will be held in 2005.

Our analysis of the current situation is that the Senate Agriculture Committee members have heard and read so many substantive objections to S1139 (PAWS) that Sen. Santorum isn't confident that he can pass the original bill or an AKC-HSUS approved, amended bill in his subcommittee, let alone have the full committee act favorably on it. The fact that his 2006 reelection polling has plummeted since he introduced PAWS may also be a factor in his delay decision.

Formal opposition by tens of thousand of individuals and over three hundred clubs contributed to the current congressional standoff. Some dog owners almost immediately recognized PAWS for the disaster it is, contacted legislators to oppose the bill, urged owner networks to do likewise and created anti-PAWS webpages. Anyone and everyone that took the time to learn about PAWS's dangers and contacted a

legislator should be proud that the American political system responded the way that it should when citizens become aroused. PAWS isn't dead by any means, but it's sorely wounded. A largely unorganized and publicly disparaged group of amateur animal owner advocates taught the sophisticated, high-priced lobbyists and public relations flacks a thing or two.

DON'T MESS WITH OUR SPORT AND ANI-MALS!

Some of you may have noticed that SAOVA formed an ad hoc partnership to pursue the PAWS fight. Let me introduce Kelly Wichman of the Dog Federation of Wisconsin and Susan Wolf of the North Carolina Responsible Animal Owners Alliance. Kelly and Susan both have state legislative lobbying experience on dog issues and were among the very first PAWS critics. Kelly owns Pugs and a Rhodesian ridgeback, while Susan has Shetland Sheepdogs. Both know infinitely more than I do about conformation, show people, related topics and politics. My chief expertise is in hunting dog owner advocacy and general legislative lobbying. This is an instance where synergies make the whole infinitely greater than the sum of its individual parts. The three of us have been smoothly cooperating and coordinating our anti-PAWS efforts since early July and filed an extensive, joint opposition statement with Senate Agriculture Committee in late August. That opposition package was well received and also shared with selected Washington D.C. lobbyists. Additionally, many individuals and clubs have recently contributed funds to permit us to more effectively respond to the well-financed pro-PAWS faction and to pursue our NO PAWS program this year and next. We're sincerely grateful for your generosity and faith in our legislative knowledge, resolve and lobbying abilities.

The carefully crafted opposition statements and

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telephone calls of everyone involved contributed to our current positive position. No single group of volunteers can accomplish anything by itself in Washington. Lobbying is a team sport. In recognition of that fact, the three groups have developed a website dedicated solely to this legislative fight. As we move forward, please visit the NO PAWS resource frequently for the latest pertinent news, suggested lobbying strategies and new contact information. This site will soon suggest a significant redirection of your PAWS opposition efforts.

I opined on June 21st, "There is virtually no chance that PAWS can pass, without very much broader support. Its defeat is assured if organizations and individuals vigorously oppose it." The last four and one-half months have been hard, grueling ones, as we attempted to counter the AKC's PAWS misinformation and slander campaigns, while informing animal owners of PAWS's extreme dangers and how to oppose this bill. Numerous other interest groups also oppose PAWS. It's crucial that we not permit the AKC, HSUS, et. al. to divide and weaken us, as it's now clear they must do to move \$1139 or HR2669. PAWS can't be amended to make it acceptable. Its entire basis is fatally flawed, as outlined at NO PAWS FAQ. Thank you for your support and efforts to protect our sport and animals.

The Cotton Cluster Priceville, AL

CKCSC of Greater Atlanta Supported Entry November 10 -13

Huntsville KC - Thursday - Judge: Nancy Hafner Huntsville KC - Friday - Judge: Loraine Boutwell Decatur KC - Saturday - Judge: Carole Beattie Decatur KC - Sunday - Judge: Sandra Lex

A DOG HOUSE DISPLAY

Feel the Spirit of the Season!

Dear Clubs:

Each Christmas the Atlanta Kennel Club participates in the Festival of Trees and donates either a decorated wreath or a table top tree decorated for the festival to sell - usually in a "doggy motif" etc - maybe you all have been there and noticed them - it is a lot of fun and is for a worthy cause

This year the festival has added an brand <u>new</u> area next to the "dollhouse" exhibit that will be for a Pet area - or a "doghouse" display and they were wondering if I would let you all know about it in case any of your clubs or individuals in your clubs would like to participate They will be displayed in kind of a "dog yard" area and the intent is to auction them just as they do the wreaths etc. This is a great way to let the people of Atlanta be aware of our clubs existence as well - there is no fee to participate - but you do donate the doghouse etc for the charity of the Egleston / Children's Healthcare Of Atlanta - they will have to be delivered around Dec 1st or so before the Festival of Trees begins. Please let your clubs know about this special event in case anyone would like to participate OK - Let your imaginations run wild!

If you have any questions please contact "Dana" below and she will be happy to send you all the info about it.

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CLUB MINUTES

The October, 2005 meeting of the Cavalier King Charles Spaniel Club of Greater Atlanta, Inc. was called to order at 7:55PM on 10-04-2005 at the Red Lobster on LaVista Rd. (21) twenty one members were present. Lu Dunham introduced and welcomed visitors, Tommy Thompson, Bill Trapnell, and Steve Wallis . A motion was made by Gerri Dueringer to accept the September minutes as published in the newsletter. Seconded by Susan Lewis. Motion passed.

Secretary Report

Alice Alford read the following applications for associate membership from Steven and Donna Hauck, of Marietta.. The club voted unanimously to accept the Haucks as members. Alice Alford read new applications from Denise Hawkins, of Kennesaw, and Bill Trapnell, of Atlanta. They are both applying for associate membership.

Alice Alford read letter from the ACKCS Rescue Trust Board of Trustees, thanking our club for the donation of \$250.00 for aid to the canine victims of hurricane Katrina.

Treasurer Report

Vickie Herring reported a Balance in General Fund at \$10,038.71. Vickie Herring advised she has received the letter from the IRS informing us that we have been granted Tax Exempt Status. Vickie advised she not been able to reach the Rescue group "No More Homeless Pets" in order to advise them that our club wanted to donate \$500.00 to the canine victims of Hurricane Katrina. Gerri Dueringer made a motion to resend the motion from last month and give the donation toe the ACKCS Rescue Trust. Seconded by Kay-C Phipps. Motion carried.

Committee Reports

Sunshine committee

Vickie Herring has talked to Maureen Miles. Maureen sends her love and said she had moved to Fayetteville and would be able to attend meetings again soon. If you have any information for the Sunshine Committee, you can contact Maureen directly at 770-460-9197 or e-mail her at mymiles@bellsouth.net

ACKCS Rescue Trust

Steve Wallis, treasurer from the ACKCS (parent

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club) was with us and Lu Dunham asked him to explain the Rescue Trust to the members. The Rescue Trust was created by the parent club for all Cavalier rescue efforts and will serve as an "umbrella" for the AKC regional rescue groups. The Trust's first job has been coordinating efforts to help the canine victims of Katrina. There has been good participation from individuals and other clubs. About \$3500.00 has been raised so far. 100% of the funds raised will be used in re-homing, and rescue of canines, including Cavaliers of the hurricane.

Rescue

Susan Lewis advised while in Ocala, FI., she visited with Joanna, the young lady that received one of our rescue cavaliers, McKenzie. Susan said Joanna had been very ill, at times, almost catatonic. The only way anyone could get a response from her was through McKenzie. Susan said that when McKenzie went to live with Joanna, she was very shy, but now was very loving and outgoing., and that this was a "Match made in Heaven"

Show Committee

Helen Jesse advised that the letter for Trophy Donations from the ACKCSC will be mailed out to members soon. Helen advised the trophies for the National will probably be crystal. Helen Jesse modeled a beautiful jacket which is one item that one of the vendors will be selling at the National at Callaway.

This year British Cavalier Club will be having an auction...They have always supported our clubs and are soliciting items for their auction from all the clubs in the US.

Fund Raising

There was discussion about the need for fund raising to cover any extra costs related to our show at Callaway. Anyone with ideas on this contact Lu Dunham or any club officer.

Old Business

Puppy Picnic

We had difficulties related to finding a date that would accommodate enough members to hold this event this summer and fall. With the holiday season coming up so soon, it was decided we would wait until the first of the year to have a puppy picnic. Gerri Dueringer and Alice Alford will head this up.

CLUB MINUTES

Priceville AL Supported Entry

The closing date is Oct 26th. There will be health clinics. For every Cavalier entered our club will receive \$1.00.

New Business

Holiday Party

Jeff and Vickie Herring have volunteered to host the Christmas party at their home again this year on December 11, beginning at 2"00pm They live in Jonesboro GA near Stockbridge. Details and directions will be in a future newsletter.

Nominating Committee

The Board has selected a nominating committee. Kay-C Phipps will be the board representative and will serve as chair. Regular member of this committee are: Susan Lewis and Gerri Dueringer. Alternates are Jeff Herring and Carolyn Powell. This committee will nominate one candidate for each office and position on the Board.

Members interested in running for a position or wishing to give input to the committee can contact any of them directly.

Survey

Sue Hardwick was absent but will continue to work on this. Helen Jesse made a motion that we pay a one time fee of \$50.00 so this survey can be posted as a link from our website. Gerri Dueringer seconded. Motion carried. We can use the \$50 subscription for other types of surveys as well.

Discussion

Discussion about meeting place. If you have suggestions where there is a restaurant with a private meeting room let us know. Discussion about attendance. Much discussion about hosting National and who is doing what. Kay-C asked about vendors....why Michael Lander was not asked to be vendor at show when he was member of both clubs. Jeff Herring made a motion to let Michael Lander have vendor space for a minimum of the two days of the CKCSC of Atl show and attempt to get him space for the full week. Seconded by Steve Lewis. Motion carried.

Susan Robinson made a motion to adjourn and Sonja Thomspon seconded.

Motion passed and the meeting was adjourned at 9:30pm.

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Respectfully submitted, Alice Alford, Secretary

October attendance

Michael Lander Pat Lander Sonya Thompson Kay-C Phipps Gerri Dueringer Steve Lewis Susan Lewis Dave Fischer Karen Evans Brenda Martz Paula Avers John Guest Rita Guest Marlene Anderson Helen Jesse Jeff Herring Vickie Herring John Robinson Susan Robinson Alice Alford Lu Dunham Steve Wallis...Guest Tommy Thompson...Guest Bill Trapnell...Guest

WANTED: PICTURES

The ACKCSC 2006 National Specialty is being celebrated as the year of the "Versatile Cavalier". We are looking for good pictures of Cavaliers being Cavaliers, as well as pictures of Cavaliers enjoying themselves in their many roles—Agility, Obedience, Therapy, etc. Please do NOT submit show wins. Submitting these pictures gives your permission to use these photographs in presentations at the 2006 National in May. If possible please submit them as .jpg files and email them to lkd@oskot.com or snail mail them to Lu at 290 Hendrix Rd—Newnan, GA 30263 (hard copies will be returned upon request). If any photographs were taken by professional photographers, their permission is needed as well.

Thanks for your assistance.



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Important CKCSC of Grater Atlanta Meeting Notice

Steak & Ale

2150 North Lake Parkway, Tucker, GA.

The regular general club meeting held on the first Tuesday of the Month – begins promptly at 7:30 pm.

If you need directions call: 770—939—3582