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Member Focus.....

Crown Jewel Papillons

CH Caratoots Crème de Cacao (Coco) is a gorgeous tri-colored bitch from Sweden, a real sweetheart with a gorgeous silky, shiny coat. She was Shay PaskVan's first show girl and, in time, became Crown Jewel's foundation bitch.



Letter from the President



Our club has members not only in Oklahoma, but Arkansas, Texas, Missouri, Colorado and Nebraska. That's not a surprise to anyone but it does create complications keeping everyone up to date with club information and activities. That was the main reason for us to try Facebook because members were losing club e-mails in their junk files.

So far, Facebook has been working. If you have signed up, you are receiving our communication. SO, if you haven't befriended the TulsaPaps Facebook page, we hope you will. That will help insure that you receive club messages. Look on page five of this newsletter for instructions.

Also, nominations for next year's officers are done. They are the same as the officers and director currently in office. If you want to add any candidate names, send them to the club secretary, with the candidate's permission.

Be sure to remember the upcoming Specialty shows at the Tulsa QuickTrip Center on May 26. Katherine Auger needs your donations to the raffle.

Don

Dates & Places to Remember

PCT meetings are scheduled throughout the year and include socials PLUS get togethers at numerous nearby dog shows. Our goal is for our PCT members to easily network and play an active part in the club. From the increased size in attendance, this strategy must be working. At this time the next meeting is scheduled for Saturday, following the 2011 PCT Specialties. If you have an opinion about get-togethers, email it to the officers.



Joe & Shay's first bred by champion CH Crown Jewel's Diamond Dazzler



BISS CH Namaste Queen Bless Villa Incognito (Ricky J) #3 Papillon, #4



Zelicaon Lonestar Belle of the Ball (Ellie) - future

On the Cover: Crown Jewel Papillons (in the first person)

As with many others, Joe and I (Crown Jewel Papillons) started out with a pet Papillon. He wasn't high quality, really more of a rescue, but he was sweet and smart and we fell in love. Like they say of the potato chip, you can't have just one - therein started our journey into the wonderful world of showing and breeding Papillons.

Like others, we found it difficult to break into "the show world". After several months of frustration in searching for a breeder who might "work" with us, we got lucky. We owe our beginnings to Bill and Sally Bacus (Chateau Charlemagne) and Kaj Ganger (Caratoot's in Sweden). As a result of their acceptance, we obtained our first foundation bitch, CoCo (CH Caratoot's Crème de Cacao). I actually showed CoCo to her first 8 points and two majors, much to my own surprise given I was a nervous wreck in the ring. Dan and Lorelei Bayless then took CoCo on the road and finished her in just a few weeks. CoCo produced our first Bred-By champion, CH Crown Jewel's Diamond Dazzler (Jag) in 2006.

In mid-2008 we were honored with the opportunity to acquire a very special top Papillon, BISS CH Namaste Queen Bless Villa Incognito (Ricky J.). We had fallen in love with Ricky J. when he was a puppy at the Papillon Club of Tulsa show in 2005 where he won his first of two AKC championships (yes, there's a story behind that one that maybe many of you know). We had to pinch ourselves to believe he became ours. In 2008, shown by Dan and Lorelei Bayless, he was #3 Papillon in the U.S., earned a couple of BISS's and several AOM's at specialties, and received a Group 2 in Bred By Toy Group competition at Eukanuba. He and I had the honor of going to Westminster in 2009 - what an experience!

During the latter half of 2009 and all of 2010 we encountered many family health problems that essentially kept us out of action. Now, after almost a year and a half with very little involvement in showing and breeding we are hoping to "roar" back into action. In the latter part of 2010 we obtained a beautiful bitch puppy from Zelicaon (Forrest Johnson). We also were blessed with a beautiful litter of 4 puppies by a lovely champion bitch leased from Copella (Paula Cox) bred to Ricky J. Three of those puppies are potential show dogs. Later this year we hope to have another show puppy out of a recent breeding with our Jag. Looks like we'll be a lot busier in the ring this year!!!!

We have learned much from our 7 years in Papillons and we have many mentors and friends to thank for that. A few have been mentioned here but our deepest heartfelt appreciation goes out to each and every one of them. We hope to keep learning and to "give back" by sharing what we have learned with others just entering the "sport". We plan to keep applying what we have learned to enhance our kennel, improve our lines, and support the overall betterment of the breed.

Shay and Joe PaskVan

Sticker shock at surgery fees? by Betty Lidick

Cost of Doing Business?

Sticker shock over today's vet bills

According to the Veterinary Pet Insurance Company, the reason for ever increasing fees is the advances in veterinary medicine but in the top five conditions listed was tooth extraction and skin masses, conditions which can sometimes be easily avoided or minimized by tooth cleaning and routinely checking for bumps and lumps to identify them early.

Food guarding is a red flag that the puppy is developing aggression problems.

Education: Food Aggression by Valarie V. Tynes, DVM, DAVB

Food guarding is a red flag that the puppy is developing aggression problems and should be corrected early. An easy method to teach your puppy is by approaching its food bowl with something good to eat and drop it into its bowl and walk away. Another technique is to offer a tasty treat every time you take something away from your puppy. "Drop it" is a technique that teaches your dog to respond at your request and reinforces the likelihood of perceiving food as something to guard. "Never respond to a dog's growling over it food bowl by removing the food. This teaches the dog that its access to food is in constant jeopardy..." and, while training, avoid free-feeding your dog because that will be perceived as a valuable resource to protect at all times. [see Ask a Veterinarian in Healthy Pet, Oct '10]

One of the oldest forms of veterinary medicine is again benefitting our dogs, providing an alternative treatment to some surgery.

Education: Acupuncture for dogs by Elaine Waldorf Gewirtz

Acupuncture, believed to be one of the oldest forms of veterinary medicine, was used as early as 4500 years ago but has now become regarded as an integral part of veterinary medicine. Veterinay medicine has discovered new uses for this ancient art, now better understood on a biochemical level. Acupuncture restores the body's balance.

Research coming out of China, Europe, the UK, and the United States continues to try to understand how acupuncture works and our dogs benefit from this safe procedure says Greagory Todd, DVM, CVA, an acupuncture instructure for the Chi Institute and the International Veterinary Acupuncture Association. The question now is not if acupuncture works but how to improve the techniques.

Most veterinary schools in the US are offering courses in acupuncture. To be licensed, an animal acupuncturists must be a veterinarian having completed as much as 130 hours of formal training from an accredited veterinary college or veterinary coninuing education. The American Academy of Veterinary Acupuncture's website (aava.org) lists a directory of acupuncturists.(for more info read AKC familydog, Nov/Dec 2010, pp.42-45)"

Interesting Information: What about dogs and needles?

Many owners are concerned about pain from the acupuncture needles being put in their dogs but, says Elizabeth Fernandez DVM of Newbury Park CA, once the dogs know what is going to happen and who the acupuncturist is, they usually lie down and accept it . Acupuncture can serve as an alternative when the risk of surgery is high, especially when "... some problems resolve after a few treatments..." [AKC Familydog, Nov/Dec '10, p45.]

Important Information: AAVA Membership requirements

Licensed Veterinarians of countries outside of the United States, Veterinary students of a college of Veterinary Medicine in the United States, or licensed Veterinarians enrolled in an AAVA approved acupuncture/TCM training program are eligible for Associate Membership.

United States citizen or permanent resident of the United States, and licensed graduate of a college or school of veterinary medicine who have successfully completed an AAVA approved Veterinary acupuncture/TCM course or equivalent are eligible for Active Membership.

Go to www.aava.org to locate a licensed veterinarian with formal training. There are four located in Oklahoma, including one in Tulsa, four in Missouri, 30 in Texas but none in Arkansas or Nebraska so some of us would have to travel.

Veterinarians need to be licensed to do acupuncture!!!

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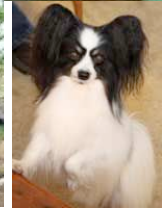
**Upcoming
Events . . .**

The next PCT meeting will be at the Claremore in the chapel on April 2nd after the Papillons show. This is the same building where met last year.



On The Road: Top Dogs

Two of our PCT members had fantastic success at the 2011 Westminster Dog Show in New York City. Paula Cox's Peyton (Ch Copella's Rising Attraction), shown by Brian Livingston, won a group 4 in the Toy Group and Brian Leonard, showing an American Black and Tan Coonhound, Elvis (Ch Southwind's Walking) won Best of Breed in Coonhounds. Also, when her friend Melanee Clark was unable to make the trip, Marcy Wyrens filled in, showing her Papillon GCH Connection Midnight Sky (Micheal). Micheal was listed in the top 20 papillons for 2010 [see the latest update in The Canine Chronicle, Feb. 2011]. Ragge, GCH Siljans Disney Jr owned by Dan & Lorelei Bayless, Brian Leonard and Don & Marilyn Bauer, also made the top 20, while Brian was getting his Grand championship last year. Busy people. Beautiful dogs. [Pictured top, Peyton at Westminster and bottom, Elvis and Ragge]



Education: Temperament and Breeding

A breeder can read the AKC breed description but know little about what is inherited. Many breeders think that temperament is a result of environmental issues, but according to Dr. Ordandi in the ABC's of Dog Breeding, "temperament is strongly influenced by the genes a puppy inherits and the environment in which it is raised.... Incorrect temperaments can be one of the hardest traits to eliminate from a breeding program." It's highly inheritable; so, puppies will closely resemble their parents. Puppies should be well socialized but socialization does not change the temperament genes; therefore, puppies should not be allowed to model inappropriate behaviors of the dam.

Learning how to prioritize the characteristics of the breed lays the foundation for understanding the essence of a breed. The Papillon Club of American has Breeders Education programs and mentors to assist in gaining knowledge both from research and 'having been there.' At our last Specialty in Tulsa, Marcy Wyrens, one of PCA's mentors, presented an excellent presentation which was to be used for training Papillon judges and one of the authors, Ruth Ann Ford, another PCA mentor, attended that meeting and gave additional insight on how the program was prepared and how it was to be used. We definitely are fortunate to have such invaluable resources available.

The AKC Papillon Standard

"The Papillon is a small, friendly, elegant toy dog with a fine boned structure. He is light and dainty, yet still lively, and is distinguished from other breeds by his beautiful, butterfly-like ears. They are known to be happy and alert little dogs that are not shy or aggressive. The breed must be either parti-color or white with patches of any color."

Remembrance:

It is with fond memories that we recall Board member Marilyn Garner-Iliff's husband Chuck. We truly enjoyed his humor and laughter at the Christmas social and appreciate the effort it took for him to come. Chuck Iliff passed away on Feb 4th.



Special information: Looking at Cryptorchidism on the Web?

Among the items I found mentioned on several breeder internet forums were questions about genetically-affected traits, some that you might expect. For Papillons, it was patellar luxation, hip dysplasia, infertility and PRA but cryptorchidism was a subject that I had not expected to find. So, I investigated the subject.

Understanding the normal developmental processes by which each testicle forms in early embryonic life and then descends into the scrotum during late fetal life or early neonatal life (soon after birth) is very helpful to your understanding of how and why a cryptorchid state occurs. Cryptorchidism is not caused by any failure of testicular formation, however the condition is a result of failure of normal testicular descent into the scrotum. If you are interested from a scientific point of view which follows the testicles development as part of the development of the kidneys, go to the following site:

<http://www.pet-informed-veterinary-advice-online.com/cryptorchidism.html#testis-age>

Veterinary Advice Online presents the medical look at Cryptorchidism (Undescended Testicles), it's cause and what the veterinarian and breeder must consider when they find one of their dogs with this issue. But, if you prefer a more elementary description which focuses on the subject from a breeder's point of view, see [ABC's of Dog Breeding: What Every Breeder Should Know!](#) by Claudia Waller Orlandi, Ph.D., which a workbook recommended by AKC.

Cryptorchidism, although seen only in males, can be carried on the X chromosome of males or females and transmitted to their sons or a daughters. We are accustomed to evaluating our Papillons by paying particular attention to the dog's front and rear angles, gait and temperament, which are visible, additive traits. If you breed a bad front to an excellent one, the majority of the offspring will be midway between these characteristics. How good a trait will be expressed depends on how many good genes it inherits for that trait. A trait will not be expressed unless a critical number of genes is inherited. "Genes must come from both parents and not necessarily in equal numbers," notes Dr. Orlandi. Hypothetically, if it takes 8 undesirable genes to produce cryptorchidism and a puppy gets 3 from his sire and 4 from the dam, it will not be a cryptorchid and the breeder won't be aware of potential problems when making choices.

The choices a breeder has once a cryptorchid male has been produced is 1) discard the affected dog from the breeding programs (neuter); 2) be aware that siblings of cryptorchid dogs are at higher risk than dogs with no close cryptorchid relatives; and 3) if you breed to an outstanding brother of a cryptorchid, follow up on his offspring to see if the problem is being passed on. If so, consider eliminating him from the program.

[To obtain copies of the ABC's of Dog Breeding Home Study Program, go to www.abcsofdogbreeding.com]

Learning to Use the Papillon Club of Tulsa's Facebook

- 1) Enter <http://www.facebook.com/>
- 2) Fill out for your personal FB site.
- 3) Go to the Search box on your Facebook page,
- 4) Type in Papillon Club of Tulsa.
- 5) Click on "like" and you will have befriended the club's FB site and can receive all announcements,

Our site is for member's only and messages will not be sent to non-member sites. If you want to contact a FB member, privately, click on the member's name/picture and it will take you to their site. If they haven't befriended you, you will get little, if any of, their information but you can click on the Message box in their upper right corner and email them privately that way.