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entertained

Deceased dogs sire
new champions

2009 Specialty

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Member Focus.....

ESPRIT PAPILLON's first champion, **CH Pilot Calivar Smooth Ride (Rider)** was finished in March 2008 in Franklin TN under Judge Susan St John Brown. He is a very energetic and happy dog and loves to please. He currently has two offspring out on the show circuit.

[Rider is pictured with David Williams & Judge Ed Biven in Abilene]



Letter from the President:

Since most of you attended the spring, 2009 Tulsa Paps Specialty shows, you are aware that they were a great success. From all accounts, we set records for our club for the number of entries. Our raffle table was one of the most impressive that anyone has seen and it contributed a great deal to our club profits. We still have a few numbers waiting to “crunch” but it appears that our club made nearly three times the profit from this specialty than we’ve ever done on our one-day shows.

This couldn’t have happened without the wonderful support and cooperation of our club members. The nasty Oklahoma weather didn’t stand a chance against the fortitude of our group. (Though, it would be nice to see a calm, sunny, pleasant weekend next year.)

We expect to hold the specialty at the same location next April 2nd and 3rd, with the Claremore all-breed shows on April 3rd and 4th and it is looking like there will be a new building more than three times the size. It will be difficult to have a better specialty than we had this year but we’ll be trying. Thank you to everyone.

Don

Special Interest: All lived up to their Reputations

This was the first time that the Specialty was held at Will Rogers Downs/Cherokee Casino facilities in Claremore OK and we had more attending than ever before. The weather was cold and miserable; the judges were excellent. Jan Paulk, who facilitated a question and answer time at the PCT club meeting Friday afternoon, was very informative, covering much of the Judges Seminar’s for which she is known. All attending were truly appreciative and terribly impressed. Thank you, Jan Paulk.

The Papillon Club of Tulsa Newsletter and Website

If you have a brag with pictures and a story for ‘On the Cover,’ please send them to Marilyn Bauer at Marilyn@bauermail.com. PCT’s website, designed by Don Bauer, gives members an opportunity for brags, link to their Websites, newsletter, breeder’s list, etc. E-mail any new titles won, or ideas for the site ASAP. The site is receiving lots of hits but not many from members. The site’s address is: <http://www.tulsapaps.org> This is your chance to brag.

On the Cover: ESPRIT Papillons



Garey with a miniature donkey



Esprit 'N Jo-Bee's Go Diego Go (Diego)



Jo-Bee's Branded Woman (Brandi) with co-owner Bee Beeson

High school sweethearts Garey and Patsy Kirk were married in December of 1966. One week later they welcomed their first "child." The pound puppy named Ginger was a part of their family for over seventeen years and was a loving watch dog over the Kirk's three human children. Garey began his career with the Ft Worth Fire Department and retired 33 years later, having reached the position of Captain Kirk. Patsy worked in sales and marketing positions and retired from Verizon. Upon retirement they moved to their previous weekend home in the beautiful piney woods of East Texas. With 45 acres to maintain they bought goats to clear the land. Then, while researching guard animals for the goats, they discovered miniature donkeys. Friends encouraged them to show the little asses. Showing donkeys proved too much work for the retired couple so they settled on just raising and having fun with the little equines.

Maybe they could show something smaller like dogs? Patsy's interest in Papillons started as many others did when she fell in love with Kirby after seeing him at Westminster. Their first Pap, Kirk's Maj Santosha is an old girl now but still rules the roost. In looking for show quality Papillons they met Lee and Bee Beeson. Bee placed Johnny with them and got them hooked. Esprit Papillons was born. Patsy and Garey would like to thank Bee for all her help and encouragement and for being a great mentor.

The Kirk's also want to thank Don and Marilyn Bauer for their friendship, giving great advice and for sharing Pilot Calivar Smooth Ride. A handsome red & white young man, Rider became Esprit's first Champion with the help of David Williams as his handler.

Another special addition to Esprit was Jo-Bee's Branded Woman at J&J. Brandi is co-owned with Bee Beeson and Jeannie Hittson. Brandi won Winner's Bitch and BOW at our 2008 Specialty in Tulsa. A new Champion, Brandi finished in Lafayette handled by David Williams after winning a five point major in Ft Worth where Jim Fehring showed her.

Brandi took a break from the show ring long enough to have a litter of beautiful pups including Esprit 'N Jo-Bee's Go Diego Go. Sired by Ch Promenade Top Ace of Val-Hi, Diego is his father's son. Winning a major the first time in the ring at six months he has also won Breed twice and won Sweepstakes at the 2009 Specialty. His two sisters are also showgirls.

Patsy and Garey enjoy spending time with fellow breeders and PCT members and really appreciate everyone's ongoing help and support. They never miss a chance to promote the breed and think no home is complete without a Papillon and maybe a donkey or two. [FYI: The Kirk's are expecting their seventh grandchild.]

Special Interest: Bee Beesen is in Rehab

Bee Beesen has been moved to the Rehab facility at Freeman East, 932 E 34th St, Room 334, Joplin, Mo. She is in the recovering from surgery to remove a brain tumor. Please continue to remember her in your thoughts and prayers as she is hoping for a full recovery. [For more information call Patsy Kirk.]

Long-deceased dogs
sire new champions

*Your dog's greatest
joys can be found
while exercising,
training and learning*

***Education: Frozen in Time* by D. Caroline Coile, Ph.D.**

The use of frozen semen has continually increased since the American Kennel Club (AKC) recognized litters born from breedings using frozen semen in the 1980s.

Knowing a dog's life long health history adds information about the time before a hereditary problem became prevalent. "Using a deceased stud's semen allows breeders to reintroduce genes that may be lost through selection or random event, widening the breed's gene pool." states handler/breeder Dr. Caroline Coile (Dog World Magazine, July 09, p.23).

Although despite the scientific improvements in both freezing, thawing and insemination have improved, it is still costly. Not only are there collection, storage and insemination costs but also there are as many as 6 to 10 progesterone blood tests needed to pinpoint ovulation and surgically implanting needed for best success.

Critics express concern, as well, because, despite the costs and good reasons to go to this expense, breeding without checking for its impact, can introduce problems of its own. Breeders narrow the breed/s gene pool when one very famous or popular dog's semen is used in overabundance.

[For more information read Breeder's Notebook: Frozen in Time in DogWorld, July 2009, pg.22-23]

Special Interest: Keep them entertained as they age

"Veterinarians generally consider small dogs to be senior citizens at about 12 years of age," reports Pat Miller, dog behavior consultant and trainer, also noting that all dogs are living that long or longer. Like humans, if they exercise their brains, they stay more mentally alert. If they stay in good conditions and you communicate well with them using positive training methods, they will love learning. If you notice signs of cognitive disorder such as disorientation, increased sleeping, altered interactions or loss of housetraining, ask your vet about medications for cognitive disorder. In the meantime, there are activities such as Rally and "just for fun agility," where they do things at their own pace that your dog can enjoy (do an Internet search for more information).

[For more information read 'Keep them entertained and engaged as they age; by Pat Miller in Your Dog Newsletter June 09, pg. 3-5 in the issue published by the Cummings School of Veterinary Medicine at Tufts University.]

2008 Membership List

A complete Membership and Breeder's List is provided each year in the first edition of the newsletter. If you find that the information is not correct in this list, let the editor know ASAP so it can be corrected in the next edition. Both can be found on PCT website www.tulsapaps.org. The Membership List can be downloaded.

About Our Organization....

The goal of the Papillon Club of Tulsa is to encourage and promote quality in the breeding of purebred Papillons and to do all possible to bring their natural quality to perfection, accepting the standards of the breed approved by AKC and doing all in our power to protect and advance the interests of the breed. We are a not-for-profit organization that conducts sanctioned matches, shows and trials.

Q & A: How Do I Become a Member of the Club?

Papillon Club of Tulsa (PCT) asks new-member applicants to apply by using an approved form and agreeing to abide by the PCT Constitution and Bylaws and the rules of the AKC. Applications must be signed by two PCT sponsors and, with check attached, filed with Secretary Mary Hakel. The application will be read at the first board meeting following its receipt and voted on by secret ballot at the general meeting after that. Acceptance requires the approval of two-thirds of the members present.

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[See our 09 winners](#)

**Upcoming
Events.....**

On June 19, 2009 the Papillon Club of Tulsa met for their summer potluck social at Don Colvard's home in Catoosa, OK.

**On The Road: All lived up to
their reputations**

A special thanks to President and Show Chairman, Don Bauer, for putting this together so quickly, ably assisted by Don Colvard and Mary Hakel. Without their work, PCT would not have had a 2009 Specialty since the Tulsa Cluster unexpectedly lost our location last November.



Ring Steward Don Colvard while Sweeps Judge Sherry Anderson makes her choice.

Paula Cox and Carol Oaks showing off their cold weather attire.



Judge Margo Klingler shows off Ashley Grissom's win with Shirley Horn.



Above, Mary Hakel and Brian Leonard set up their Paps for Judge Jan Paulk while Karen Bristol, Shirley Horn and Lisa Richert look on. Below, Marcy Wyrens, Jim Fehring and Bee Beesen present their dogs in the ring.



Katherine Auger made the Raffle Table a true success.