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- Treating Newborns
- Want to become a Judge?

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Member Focus.....

Jim Fehring of BJ's Papillons & Shaman Cockers

Margie (BJ's Second Edition) is one of three second-generation Papillons that BJ (Bee Beeson & Jim Fehring) Kennels are currently showing. Last fall with Judge Bradley Jenkins, Marge won Winners Bitch and Best of Winners at Springfield MO for a 5 pt major.



Letter from the President



It's been just over a month since we had our Specialty show in Tulsa. Exhibitors finished a lot of dogs over that weekend, maybe a record for our shows with a new champion every day. The response that I've received has been universally favorable with the two show per day concept but I need to hear more opinions. If you have any ideas or comments about how the shows went, please let me know. Also, can you think of any way to squeeze in a sweepstakes, or do you want one, keeping in mind that the building isn't available until after Noon.

The host clubs were extremely helpful to us and we should do anything we can to help and support them. They paid \$6800 to rent the building for that half day, just for the specialty clubs AND, they charged us nothing! We were able to use judges they had available and we weren't charged a share of the judge's transportation. Because of that, we were able to turn a small profit on the show.

We are looking for larger entries next year through the whole weekend. That will keep majors for us every day and help support the all-breed clubs at the same time.

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. See Upcoming Event on page 4 for meetings being discussed. Emails will be sent to you by Secretary Mary Hakel when meeting are finalized. Be sure to check that your email address shown on the PCT Member's



Ch. Tumbleweed's Cheyenne Vision, "Chewy" is the top producing BROWN Cocker Spaniel Bitch in the history of the breed with 13 AKC Champions and was the foundation behind our Cocker Spaniels.



BIS, BISS Ch. Shaman's No Doubt About It, "Luke" won January 2009 BOV at the American Spaniel Club Flushing Show and the #1 Cocker Spaniel (all varieties) in breed points in 2009 and is the only Brown Cocker Spaniel to have won BOV at Westminster and a BIS. He is currently the #1 ASCOB in both BREED points and GROUP points.

On the Cover: Jim Fehring of BJ's Papillons and Shaman Cockers --- in the first person

My wife Debbie and I have had Cocker Spaniels since 1980, when we acquired our first cocker. Growing up, my wife's family had Brittanys and I had a number of breeds but was always fond of hunting; so, I always drifted toward Pointers, Cockers, Springers and other Sporting Dogs. I have a BS degree in Pharmacy and have a Master's degree in Business Administration. I have been working with Pharmacy computer systems, including programming and management since graduation and continue to work in that field. My wife Debbie and I and our dogs have lived in Kansas, Missouri, Texas, Georgia and Oklahoma during our 31 years of marriage.

During the mid-1990s we obtained our first show Cockers and began showing and breeding. We have experienced exciting times with our dogs. Our foundation bitch remains the Top Producing Brown Bitch in the history of the breed with 13 Champion offspring. We have also been privileged to experience 3 top winning dogs, including WD/BOW at the Nationals, the top ASCOB (Any Solid Color Other than Black) Dog in 2003 (he was Brown), #3 Black Cocker in 2004 and a Brown Dog that was the January 2009 BOV at the American Spaniel Club Flushing Show and the #1 Cocker Spaniel (all varieties) in breed points in 2009. He also holds the honor of being the only Brown Cocker Spaniel to have won BOV at Westminster. These 3 boys also were awarded multiple AOMs at Westminster and multiple Best In Specialty Show wins and 3 All breed Best In Shows. We have had Cockers in all 3 varieties, but focused on producing the best Brown Cockers possible.

In 2005 I decided that I wanted to get involved with another breed and also wanted to find something that would not require the many hours of grooming and be so difficult to handle in the ring. Showing Cocker Spaniels can take a toll on you over the years with all the grooming and kneeling in the ring and hoisting dogs on the table in the ring. If I was to continue to show dogs into my senior years, I needed something less demanding. To my rescue came Bee Beeson and her Papillons. I had always admired these spirited little dogs. My wife and I were also active in Agility, putting 14 AKC Agility titles on our cockers. There, I was exposed to a number of Papillons during agility training classes. Bee agreed to mentor me and to allow me to co-own 3 of her Papillon bitches. We finished these 3 girls in short order, with Bee finishing one, me finishing one and Jeff Wright (a professional handler) finishing the third. Soon thereafter we began breeding together and decided on BJ's as a kennel name (Bee & Jim).

Bee & I bred a number of litters together and are on our second generation together, hoping to continue with our third soon. Bee and I both slowed in showing and breeding in the last 2-3 years with a number of life challenges for both of us getting in the way along with my full-time job which demands a lot of my time and some travel. We are both just now beginning to get back in the ring on a frequent basis. We currently have BJ's Second Edition (Margie) who has 5 points with that coming from a 5 point major and, our newest, BJ's Trix of The Trade, showing.

I am excited to recently have submitted my application to join the Papillon Club of America and also extremely excited to be attending my first Papillon National this year in Des Moines. I will be showing Raelene and also attending the Papillon judging seminars.

Special Interest: You can read Bee Beeson's story in the July 2008 issue of the TulsaPaps Newsletter where she mentions their first home-bred champion, BJ'S Spirit Of The Dance, Raelene, who finished June 26, 2010 in Waynesburg PA under Judge Joyce G. Fortney.

Useful info : Treating newborn puppies by Dr. Caroline Coile

Even the best breeders and the cleanest environments can have worms, even when their bitches were wormed two to three weeks to giving birth.

In Breeder's Notebook, Dr. Coile's study found that most puppies are born infected with some type of **worms**, noting one study showing fecal flotation tests to be inaccurate as much as 40 percent of the time for puppies under 4 weeks of age. This may be why the commonly suggested worming regime is to administer fenbendazole (Panacure) at 2, 5 and 8 weeks of age and again after weaning.

Worms aren't the only intestinal parasites effecting puppies. The protozoan parasite, **Giardia**, is usually treated with metranidazole which should not be given to pregnant or nursing bitches and puppies. **Coccidia**, usually treated with sulfadimethoxine, is also not recommended for pregnant or lactating bitches but is found to be safe for well-hydrated puppies.

Once puppies reach 6-12 weeks old they can tolerate some flea treatments but keeping their environment flea-free works better. Consult you veterinarian or read the products labels to determine which works for you.

Some **heartworm preventives** are safe for 4 week old puppies. Be sure to check labels and with your vet to make sure the one you choose does not effect fertility or cause birth defects.

In summary, never give a puppy any parasite treatment unless it has been prescribed by your veterinarian, and even then, read the package inset before administering it. [for more info, read Dog World (Ap '10, pp 14-15)]

According to obedience Judge Janice Dearth, what a handler needs most from their dog during competition is Attention which is most easily taught by rewarding the desired behavior.

Special Interest: Teaching the "Watch" command in Three Lessons:

Lesson 1: When the puppy glances at you, reward with a treat. Making eye contact equates giving the owner a leadership nod. If the reluctant puppy looks only at the treat and not you, watch carefully until the eyes glance away from the treat and say 'yes.' Repeat until puppy glances at you and then treat.

Lesson 2: Work on longer and longer eye contact rather than a mere glance. With a defiant dog, quit after a few successes.

Lesson 3: Practice in distracting areas, treating on command. Clicking, when the dog glances in your direction, treats the desired behavior. [for more info read 'Look at Me' by Peggy Swagerin the AKC Gazette (Ap '10, pp 16-17)]

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 matches, shows and trials.

2010 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.

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 then sent with the application to 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. Thereafter, annual dues are sent to Treasurer Pierre Auger.

The Papillon Club of Tulsa Newsletter and Website

If you have a brag with pictures and a story for 'On the Road,' please send them to Marilyn Bauer at Marilyn@bauermail.com. PCT's website, designed by Don Bauer, gives members an opportunity for brags, links to their Websites, newsletters, breeder's and Member's lists, 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.

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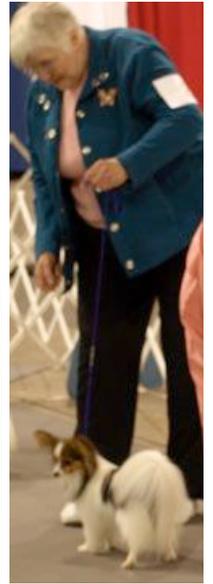
On the Road: Two shows, One grooming --- a success!!!



Above Danae Fayard relaxes between taking pictures.



Right, Bee Beeson shows off her Papillon.



Left, Katherine Auger's box of goodies on the trophy table ran over with chocolates.

Below, Lee Beeson shows to Judge Donna Cole.



Above, after the show Mary Hakel chats with Bee Beeson and Don Colvard, with Theresa Jankosky.

Right, Doug Moret waits while Linda Moret and Nadine Bab assist handler Dan Bayless.



Below, right, guests and exhibitors relax with Sliders and drinks between specialties at Don & Marilyn Bauer's RV.



Upcoming Events . . .

PCT members are talking about get togethers in Little Rock, August 14th & 15th; in Hot Springs Oct 1st-3rd; and the dog shows in Fayetteville/Bentonville, October 9th & 10th (note Fayetteville's change of date and show place).



Pierre & Katherine Auger relax from selling raffle tickets.



Left, Shirley Hall's Cassie wins WB & BOW under Judge Bonnie Clark.



Right, Marcy Wyrens waits with her phalene.



A special thanks to Danae Fayard for all the wonderful pictures.

PCT member, Jim Fehring, will apply to judge Papillons in 2010.

Enjoying seeing and judging quality dogs, Jim hopes to fulfill the purpose of judging, which is choosing the best possible breeding stock while doing right by, and true to, any breed he judges. We want to wish

Important Late

News: Recently AKC has made it very clear that they plan to make judges PAY for the privilege to judge. This is above and beyond the thousands of dollars spent already in education, seminars, attending nationals, mentoring and the expense of being a provisional judge. There are already significant costs to apply to judge additional breeds. Please consider voicing your concern about this policy in any way you can (AKC has rescinded a recently announced fee schedule because of the uproar that was caused when it was announced). It is the belief of most of the Purebred Dog community that AKC needs to address reducing its overhead costs rather than trying to increase its revenues by accessing fees or additional costs on judges, club or exhibitors.

Thanks
JIM

Education: SO ... YOU WANT TO BECOME A JUDGE by Jim Fehring

I am now nearing the end of my provisional assignments for judging Cocker Spaniels (my first breed) and will be able to apply for regular status the first of June. The road to becoming a judge is not one for the “faint of heart”.

The requirements for becoming a judge are quite rigorous. You must have 12-15 years in the sport, have bred a minimum number of litters and finished a minimum number of dogs in each breed on your initial application or have been a professional handler for each breed applied for. You must have ring stewarded a minimum number of times, judged a number of matches or sweepstakes or futurities and have attended a number of breed seminars. This is just to apply. You must also pass tests on ring procedures, canine anatomy and breed knowledge for the breeds for which you apply. Assuming you pass all of the requirements and tests you must also convince an AKC Rep that you know the breed and how to judge them. If your breed has height or weight disqualifications, you must also demonstrate that you are able to properly weigh or wicket a dog.

If you thought that judging was a way to enjoy dogs and dog shows and get paid THINK AGAIN ... That may be true for judges that have been judging for a long time, but the road to that kind of status is long and the costs to get there are steep. Additionally, if you thought that only successful breeders and exhibitors were targets of cruel comments and attacks, think again. Once you begin to judge, you may find you have lots of new friends, but you will also find you have lots of people who now do not like you or your dogs. You will be talked about, your judging procedures and judging choices will be talked about. If you think about it, during the judging of a breed or variety in a day, you will at best make only few people happy (BOB/BOV, WD & WB). Many of the others that exhibit that day will not like what you did.

Provisional judges in any breed are usually paid a minimal amount per dog. The cost of travel, lodging, food and any other expenses are your own. To gain regular status in a breed, you must judge the breed five times and have been observed and critiqued by 3 different AKC Reps at a minimum of 3 of those shows. It took me a number of years to achieve the initial requirements to apply to judge. I began the application process with a pre-application interview (Jan 2009) to review my credentials and go over what I was going to submit on my application forms. In May 2009, after passing the tests I was able to meet with an AKC Rep to review my scores and to demonstrate that I could properly wicket a dog. Finally after the required publication of my name in the AKC Gazette I received a letter from AKC stating that I was approved (provisionally) to judge Cocker Spaniels (August 2009).

Now the fun begins ... getting to actually judge. You must be invited to judge. You are not allowed to solicit assignments. Even provisional judges are not allowed to solicit assignments. In my opinion, this one of those areas that AKC needs to change. Securing provisional assignments is expensive, long and sometimes difficult.

After you have applied and been granted regular status, you may apply for additional breeds if you so desire. The requirements are totally different for additional breeds. You may apply for only the same number of breeds on additional applications that you currently are approved to judge (1 for 1). You must seek and participate in breed “enrichment” activities like handling, breeding, owning, seminars, hands-on workshops, mentoring, tutoring, ringside mentoring, attending national specialties and such. A very costly processAll of these activities must be done fairly recently.

I have decided I want to continue with the judging chapter of my dog hobby I enjoy seeing and judging quality dogs and hope to be able to fulfill the purpose of judging ... choosing the best possible breeding stock. It is my hope to be able to be true to any breed I choose to judge and always do right by the breed.