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Old Rivers Dilly Dally UD NAJ CGC is Pat Killian's pride and joy. She has ASCA titles in obedience and UKC titles in obedience and agility. In the eighteen years Pat has been working in performance, she has learned more while working with Dallia than all the other dogs combined and, although a true obedience dog, Pat wonders how far such a beautiful bitch could have gone in confirmation.



Member Focus

Letter from the President

Everything seems to be pretty much finalized for the specialty on November 2nd. Please note that we have added two new competitions this year. The first one is a Veterans Sweepstakes. The classes will be for veterans 7-10 years old and 11 years and older. The second is Rally obedience. Please plan to enter these new venues and make them a big success. Both should be really fun to enter and to watch.

Linda McCoy

Papillon Club of Tulsa New Newsletter, Website Need *YOU*

Marilyn Bauer has put together a newsletter to provide specialized information to the members of the Papillon Club of Tulsa (PCT). She believes newsletters can be a great way to network, build our organization's identity and get important information to pass easily among members. If you have a "brag" with pictures and a story that she could use for a future "On the Cover" (see photo above and the feature on p. 2), please share with the club and send them to Marilyn.

Don Bauer designed and now maintains a Website for PCT that gives members an opportunity to celebrate their efforts (brags), link to their own Websites and get information found in the latest quarterly newsletter. So, please e-mail Don ASAP with any ideas about what you might want to see on the site. Don's address is don@pilotpapillons.com. The site's address is: <http://www.tulsapaps.org>.



Amy - '04 High in Trial at Central OK Toy Dog Club Trial and Sable - '06 her championship in Texas (no picture yet).



On the Cover: The Importance of Connections

Eighteen years ago Pat went to her local Obedience Club for help with Buttons, a wild rescue dog. By the time she finished training Buttons, she had two more rescue dogs, one who made a perfect therapy dog.

One thing lead to another at the Obedience Club but it was “all Frieda Crane’s fault” that Pat has Papillons. Frieda brought one of the most darling little puppies to puppy class. Pat was so charmed that in 1999, when she decided to change breeds, she remembered that little boy.

Although Pat treasures her special relationships with her Papillons, it was Candy, her Pomeranian and 11th rescue – the one with adoring eyes -- that daily emphasized the importance of breed rescue and reminded her of how she connects to all of her wonderful, very special companions. Pat has loved them all, even the naughty terrier, but her very special Dallia continues to be the one that touches her most. Pat learned more while working with Dallia than all the other dogs combined.

At present, Pat owns and continues to be trained by four toys, three Papillons and one rescue. Each in her own way, is very special. Dallia has earned a UD title, as well as her obedience and agility titles; Amy has agility titles, including two High In Trials -- AKC and ASCA. And, Sable, Pat’s one venture into confirmation, recently amazed Pat by attaining her championship quickly. But, one time in confirmation was all Pat needed to determine that working towards performance trials is what she loved most. A look at Amy and Dallia can make you see why!!!

Special Interest: Sunscreens for Dogs!!! Interesting.

Veterinarians are recommending that owners of light-colored, short-haired dogs, such as bull terriers and Chihuahuas, use sun block on their dogs and shade them when possible just like you would use to treat yourself. Dogs, like humans, can get sunburn from ultraviolet rays. Symptoms include redness, hair loss and skin sensitivity; symptoms in some extreme cases, can be signs of skin cancer. Don’t clip the fur too short because it acts as a sun shield and don’t use human sunscreens because they may be toxic to dogs. There are dog-specific sun blockers that can be purchased at pet stores and online. Applications should be where the fur is thin and the skin is exposed, including the dog’s belly if he rolls a lot. Jennifer Lee’s article recommended Nice Puppy, which can be found on funstuffordogs.com.

From an article written by Jennifer Less and sent by Pat Killian who found in her Oklahoma city newspaper

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 filed with Secretary Elaine Lake. The application will be read at the first meeting following its receipt and voted on by secret ballot at the meeting after that. Acceptance requires the approval of two-thirds of the members present. Dues go to Treasurer Don Colvard. Forms are available on the website www.tulsapaps.org

The dog days of summer are not at all dog-friendly.

2006 Membership List

A complete membership list is provided each year in the first newsletter found on the internet at www.tulsapaps.org. Remember, the Breeder's List is separate from the Membership List; so if you are a breeder, you will need to check that as well. If you find that the information is not correct in this year's list, let the editor know ASAP, so it can be corrected in the next edition. **Note addition:** Paula Cox and Marcy Wyren's websites and corrections for Donna Crismond.

The Inside Story: On the Road Again to PCT Picnic at Don Colvard's



Donna Crismond (left) and her girls enjoying Don's pool.
Keril McDermitt (right) relaxing.



Thanks to Don Colvard for the wonderful barbeque. The house and pool were totally enjoyed.

What's new!



Elaine Lake (above) and Katherine Auger (below) preferred to stay inside while Pierre Auger (below right) enjoyed outdoors.



As usual, President Linda McCoy (left) ran the meeting with her own type of casual efficiency. We are privileged to have her friendship and leadership.



Don Bauer (not pictured) takes the pictures while Marilyn (above) holds Classy. Joanne Walbourn (left) listens closely as the minutes are read.

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to assist in networking,
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and collegiality
among
the PCT's membership.*

Focus on Education: Issues of Spay-Neuter: separating fact from fiction

You are talking to an individual who has fallen in love with your Papillon and they are expressing concerns about the spay-neuter contract, not the contract itself but what will happen to their beloved pet after the operation. There are myths that abound but these are the facts:

Yes: 1) It is a simple operation that ensures that common hereditary health problems like hip dysplasia aren't passed on the future generation.

2) The only behaviors that might be affected are sexually based behaviors, such as strong attraction to female dogs, roaming and mounting of other dogs or people (John Berg, DVM, Tuft University).

3) Anesthesia is considered safe if the dog is healthy and the person administering it is a qualified veterinary professional.

4) Spaying can significantly reduce the risk of mammary cancer in females, particularly if the surgery occurs before the first heat. Neutered male dogs are less likely to suffer from testicular cancer and their risk for perineal hernias, perianal tumors and prostate disease is reduced.

No: 1) dogs don't generally experience a reduced energy level and won't get fat and lazy unless you over-feed and under exercise them.

2) Aggression, particularly fear-based aggression, will not be reduced.

3) Although naturally adept at nurturing their young, parenting will not "fullfill" them.

From the article "Spay-Neuter: separating fact from fiction" by Dawn Weinbergerin as found in Your Dog, August 2006, a Cummings School of Veterinary at Tufts University publication

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 qualities to perfection, accepting the standards of the breed approved by the AKC, and do all in our power to protect and advance the interests of the breed. The club is a not-for-profit organization that conducts sanctioned matches, shows and trials.

Upcoming Events.....

Watch on the website for up and coming events. At this time, there is nothing scheduled before the next issue. Pictures from the PCT official meeting held at Don Colvard's on August 19, 2006 will be pictured in the next issue.

Useful Info.....'Judge's Perspective' written by Richard G. Beauchamp

In the July '06 'Dog World' magazine, Rick Beauchamp tells about travel from the judge's perspective, often a stress-inducing experience which can interfere with the task of rewarding the best dog from those that stand before you. To add to the travails of travel today, you then add the pressure of knowing all of the knowledge of the breed, especially when you're hard-pressed to find a first, much less a second, third or fourth out of a class of 15. When it's finally over, your feet aching to the bone, you often find that you must take a two-hour planned tour, which ends with square dancing and baby-back ribs. But it's all worth it when the first class of the morning brings an unforgettable, never-seen-before youngster that you carry to Breed. What a thrill! Then, you set off again. Who knows, the next great one might be at the end of the ride. (Rick Beauchamp has judged Papillons a numerous shows in our area.)