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CKCSCKZOO FUN MATCH

Dog Days In the Park was held in beautiful riverside park in Grand Rapids on May 31. CKCSC KZOO sponsored its first ever fun match in conjunction with Dog Days. Club members enjoyed the park.

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The club was represented by a tent displaying "Meet the Breed" information and a silent auction of items for fund raising.

We were pleased to have Breeder Judge

Janet McKallor Beck of Chanctonbury Cavaliers judge our fun match.

Clamar Adam was selected as best puppy Brookhaven Enchanted Forest was selected best of breed.





Hope



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FUN IN THE PARK CONTINUED

CKCSC KZOO sponsored a bagpiper to perform throughout the park during the cavalier fun match. Following the conclusion of the match the cavaliers were paraded around the park in a grand display of the breed.





CC Berg and Pearl

KALAMAZOO BRAG

Sunday at Kalamazoo WB and BOS, BBE Class Blueheart Jewel of the Sea, (CH Wandris Showcase of Sumara X Kalidunn Triple Crown) Breeder and Owner; CC Berg

RWB, BBE Class Dansyn Toast with Cristal, (CH Huntcrest Moon Doggie X CH Dansyn Show Stopper) Breeders and CO-Owners; Elaine Dempster and Fred & Louise Becker

Congratulation to CC Berg and "Pearl" for their Group 4 win in the "BBE Best in Show"!!!

TRINKET WITH HER RIBBONS

CPE NATIONALS 2008 Trinket earned a 1st Place, two Third Places, two Fourth Places... qualifying 6 of 9 total runs.. May 29-June 2 was the CPE Agility Nationals....

There were over 1600 agility runs a day. I tend

to really enjoy the large events anyway, but it was really nice and fun to not have to travel very far....it was held in Mason, MI at the Ingham County Fairgrounds this year.

Kari

She clearly liked the large crowds and atmosphere too!!

Shown here with her ribbons



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More Shots from Fun Match









CLUB MEMBERS ENJOY CHICAGO SPECIALTY SHOW



Members join in the fun at the first Cavalier specialty match sponsored by the Cavalier King Charles Spaniel Club of Greater Chicago. Over 100 Cavaliers were in competition, including several from Michigan.



ANOTHER KALAMAZOO BRAG

West Michigan Apple Blossom Cluster" Muskegon Kennel Club Monday, May 26, 2008

Judge, Barbara Dempsey- Alderman

BOB, BW, WD, 12 - 18 Month Class Brookhaven Enchanted Forest, (Pascavale Enchanted X Brookhaven Peggy Sue) Breeders; Paula Ayers and Brenda Martz, Owners; Vicki and Bruce Clark.

WB, BOS, Open Bitches Class Brookhaven Royal Cinnamon, (CH Brookhaven Dream Lover X Crosscreek Brookhaven Casino) Breeders; Paula Ayers

Brenda Martz, Owners; Vicki and Bruce Clark

and



Forest and Vicki Sissy and Amber

VIDERS OPPOSITE SEX

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Cavalier Communicator

The Objectives of the Club

(a) to encourage and promote quality in breeding of pure-bred Cavalier King Charles Spaniels and do everything possible to bring their natural qualities to perfection.

(b) to urge members and breeders to accept the standard of the breed as approved by the American Kennel Club as the only standard of excellence by which the Cavalier King Charles Spaniel shall be judged.

(c) to do all in its power to protect and advance the interests of the breed and to encourage sportsmanlike competition at dog shows, obedience and agility trials.

(d) to conduct sanctioned matches, specialty shows and obedience and agility trials under the rules and Regulations of the American Kennel Club.

CAVALIER HEALTH CORNER

Notes from the Educational Program 8/7/01 Presented to CKCS Club of Greater Atlanta By Club Member Dr. Kim Hamer, DVM

"Asymptomatic thrombocytopenia and Macrothrombocytosis in the Cavalier King Charles Spaniel"



Terminology:

1. Platelets are also called thrombocytes. These are the blood cells that are responsible for normal blood clotting.

2. Thrombocytopenia is an abnormally low blood plate-let count.

3. Macrothrombocytes are abnormally large blood platelets.

Normal blood platelet counts should be between 150-200,000. Dogs will have bleeding abnormalities if their counts are below 40,000. However, Cavaliers may have counts well below 40,000 with no problems.

Approximately 30% of Cavaliers have macrothrombocytosis and/or thrombocytopenia. This appears to be a congenital abnormality. The Cavalier does not experience any health problems despite these changes. It is thought that the large platelets of the Cavalier are able to provide the same function in lower numbers than that of other breeds.

Because Cavalier platelets are so large, automated cell counters may mistakenly count them as white blood cells, artificially lowering the platelet count. Additionally, these cells may not be recognized when examined under the microscope on a blood smear because they may not look like the platelets of other breeds.

This condition should not be confused with immune-mediated thrombocytopenia, where the body attacks its platelets. Dogs with this disorder will be having SYMPTOMS: i.e. petechiae, bruising and bleeding.

Remember, the Cavalier does not experience any health problems due to this condition, which has only been reported in our breed and no others!

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