



The Cavalier Chronicle

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Presidents Message

Happy New Year...let's make 2015 a year to remember.

Lots of events are coming up this year. The first is our Specialty on Jan 31. Don't forget, the closing date for entering your cavalier in our Specialty is January 14th. **If you don't have a cavalier to enter, come join us anyway.** There are lots to do and see at our Specialty, we will even have our silent auction at the show site this year. It is held on Jan 31 at the Exposition Center on Jonesboro Rd in Atlanta. Then on Saturday evening we have our Banquet, Live Auction and the Forum with our Judges and other knowledgeable people. This is a good time to get all your Cavalier questions answered. **If you haven't made your reservations for the banquet, please do so soon.**

On another note, our club election is coming up. In February, we will be choosing a nominating committee. If you would like to be on this committee, let one of the officers know. Also, if you are a **regular member and would like to serve as an officer or board member, let someone know.** Don't be one of the ones that wait until someone calls you, step forward and let someone know that you would like to get more involved.

See you on at the Specialty Show and at our February meeting on Tuesday, Feb 10, 2015!

Alice Alford, President

The 14th Annual CKCSC of Greater Atlanta Specialty Show

Upcoming Events

Our 14th Annual Specialty Show, Banquet & Auction is fast approaching! We hope you have gotten in your entries as the closing date is NOON on January 14, 2015.

Specialty Show
Saturday
January 31

We will be holding a ringside silent auction with some great items which are all listed on our **club's facebook page**. **Ringside snacks for exhibitors and club members will also be available.**

If you have not donated to the trophy fund but still wish to you can donate online! Donors will be listed on the website and acknowledged ringside. You can donate online via our website at <http://ckscatlanta.org/on-line-trophy-donation>

Specialty Banquet,
Live Auction &
Breeders Forum
Saturday January
31 @ 7pm

Our Specialty banquet & live auction will be held on Saturday evening, the day of the Specialty (Jan 31) at our host hotel, the Atlanta Airport Hilton. Check out our website for pictures and descriptions of our live auction items. You can pay for your banquet online at <http://ckscatlanta.org/specialty-show-banquet-information>. Remember, after the banquet, stay for our informal breeders forum discussion!

Next meeting:
February
10

Please note our February Meeting DATE CHANGE!

Our next business meeting is TUESDAY, February 10 at the Holiday Inn. Board meeting begins at 6pm, social hour at 7pm and general business meeting at 7:30pm.

From the ACKCSC, The ACKCS Rescue Trust and David's Fund

Dear Members:

Thank you for your tremendous outpouring of support and concern with our efforts to get the dogs. The past month has proven that the dedication of the entire global Cavalier family can achieve incredible success, that is truly amazing! The notes we have received with donations are overwhelming, and heartwarming, many tears have been shed by all of us.

We want you all to know we are still in the midst of negotiations and we remain confident we will come to an agreement, our main focus is on the dogs and avoiding another auction scenario. We always believe that it really is, all about the dogs. We continue to move forward for the Cavaliers, not for you, not for us, but for the Cavaliers.

All of us involved with the Rescue Trust, and for me personally with David's Fund, are deeply grateful for your continued support of our efforts, of which no one can even imagine the work our team does. I never did until I got this involved and can vouch, it is pulling all-nighters, it is tireless, it is mentally exhausting, and honestly at times brutally disappointing. Yet, we move forward, our passion and priority are the dogs. We have always, and will continue to remain focused on that!

Once again, we are reaching out to our supportive Cavalier family and are asking for your continued support financially to help us achieve our goal of saving all the dogs from going to commercial breeders. Remember that all donations to David's Fund are tax deductible in the US to the extent the IRS allows, and contributions can be made at:

David's Fund

Confidentiality is of utmost importance at this stage of negotiations, therefore donations will only be made through The Trust website for David's Fund going forward. Everything posted on the internet hurts our ability to negotiate. Due to the sensitive nature of our negotiations, and our privacy policy, it is impossible for us to release detailed information on amount needed or raised at this time, just know WE NEED MORE! I know we are asking a lot from each of you, but these dogs deserve a lot. This breed that we all love and adore so dearly, all of them are deserving of our commitment to keep them away from commercial breeders. Please, we ask you to continue and support David's Fund in any amount you can afford, \$10, \$25, \$50, \$100 or more. If you received a holiday year-end bonus, consider donating a portion to help save the dogs, I know I did.

Please know that our team is making every effort to close this as soon as possible. Honestly, it will be literally weeks before we can accomplish that. To achieve getting all dogs we desperately need your continued support and dedication to saving the Cavaliers by donating to David's Fund and spreading the word to your family and friends.

I personally want to thank you for your ongoing commitment to David's Fund, I know David is up there in heaven telling all of us, remember the dogs - they deserve to be in front of the fire, cuddled up on a pillow, and in our laps. He would remind me as he always did, you will do this, failure is not an option!

Wishing you all a Wonderful Holiday and New Year!

Glenda Schroeder
Director, David's Fund
ACKCS Rescue Trust, Inc.

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Update: The remaining cavaliers were taken into the Rescue Trust in mid- January. All were in very good condition and are now transported to their various foster homes. The Rescue Trust still needs funding to care for all cavaliers in rescue. Please consider making a donation to the Rescue Trust to help care for all the cavalier health needs in foster. If you want to donate to a fund to save cavaliers from commercial breeders, please consider making an online donation to David's Fund. Both are tax deductible and are located on the Rescue Trust's website donation page (www.cavalierrescuetrust.org)

Sneek Peek on Specialty Prizes!

Our Atlanta Specialty Show Closes January 14th. Here are some of the prizes donated by Royal Show leads

BEST OF BREED



BEST OF OPPOSITE



BEST OF WINNERS



WINNERS DOG



WINNERS BITCH



RESERVE WINNERS



BEST VETERAN



BEST PUPPY

IN PROCESS

BEST BRED BY EXHIBITOR



SELECT IF AWARDED

AUCTION ITEM

IN PROCESS

Cavalier King Charles Spaniel Club of Greater Atlanta

Minutes of the December 14, 2014 General Business Meeting – Maggiano's Buckhead

President Alice Alford called meeting to order.

Linda Whitmire made a motion to accept the minutes of the November 2014 meeting as published in the Newsletter. Paula Ayers seconded. Motion passed.

The following reports were submitted; otherwise no reports from the various Board members or committees:

Treasurer's Report:

The puppy picnic was a big success. This was the first year that the health clinics raised enough money to cover all expenses.

We renewed our liability insurance certificate for the year 2015.

We renewed our ACKCSC club membership for the year 2015.

Member packets were mailed in November for 2015 membership renewal.

Corresponding Secretary Report:

We received a thank you letter from the ACKCS Rescue Trust for the \$1,000 donation we made in May 2014. This donation placed our club at the Emerald level of giving to the Rescue Trust.

Specialty Show Committee Report:

The Premiums were mailed out to every member. The ribbons will be ordered via Steinman ribbons. Paula Ayers asked what Shannon Schilling should do with the ribbons she is holding at her home. Susan Bess will get with Shannon.

At the January meeting, we need to discuss who will do what work to set up etc at the Specialty as there are a lot of jobs and committee work to be done leading up to the Specialty and Banquet. Kathy Gentil has volunteered to take care of our Judges' hospitality.

Ringside snacks – We will be having the following ringside: veggie tray, fruit tray, ham & turkey sandwiches, chicken salad, cookies and bottled water. Estimated cost will be \$250 for 50 people.

Paula Ayers reminded everyone to make your host hotel reservations as the Hilton. Alice Alford thanked Susan Bess for all the work she did from scratch for setting up the Specialty with MB-F.

Sharon Utych indicated the Specialty is being advertised on the ACKCSC Yahoo Group board.

Old Business:

The second reading of Jana Harris' application for Associate membership was read and voted on. Jana is currently a pet person, owns one cavalier (Avery) and is active with the Atlanta Cavalier Meet up Group. Jana's application for associate membership passed unanimously.

By Laws Revisions

The Executive Board met and reviewed the findings and recommendations of the By Laws Committee. The Board decided not to act on the recommendations of the Committee and have decided to leave the By Laws unchanged, as it will be complicated to change and have the membership vote on the changes. The Board feels that once there are more active members who wish to participate in holding a Board position, this can be readdressed.

The Board does feel changes in policy are required and will be implementing the following policy changes:

1. **Code of Ethics/Code of Conduct:** When our club was formed, the parent club (ACKCSC) was also young and did not have a detailed Code of Conduct/Ethics for our Club to adopt. At the time our club was formed, we had to develop our own Code of Ethics/Conduct. As the ACKCSC matured, a very detailed Code of Conduct was developed and implemented. Since our club is a member of the parent club, we fall under this code of conduct. To avoid any conflict or misinterpretation, the Board wants to immediately replace our code with the ACKCSC Code of Conduct.

2. **Breeder Referral Listings:** The Breeder Referral policy will not change in 2015. Effective with 2016 membership renewal, there will be requirements needing to be met to be able to be **on the club's breeder referral listing. Requirements are that the Regular Member must attend six functions to be considered active.** Functions include meetings, puppy picnic, specialty, holiday party. We will also be phasing out the out of state Breeder Referral listings in 2016.

Both these policy changes will be discussed at the January 2015 meeting.

New Business:

ACKCSC Welcome Bags – For the ACKCSC National Specialty in April 2015, the members voted to donate luggage ID wraps for the exhibitor Welcome Bags. Linda Whitmire made the motion that we spend the money (approximately \$440 plus shipping) to purchase 350 luggage wraps with our logo on them. Missy Crane seconded. Motion passed. Sharon Utych will be ordering these luggage wraps and sending them to the ACKCSC representative.

Member of the Year – Sharon Utych was presented with the 2014 CKCSC of Greater Atlanta Member of Year Award.

Ten Year Members – the following 10-year members were recognized at the meeting: Rebecca Booth, John & Rita Guest, Judy Farthing and Susan Bess. Each member received a certificate.

Missy Crane made a motion to close the meeting. Linda Whitmire seconded. Motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted, Sharon Utych, Interim Corresponding Secretary CKCSCGA

Attendees for December Meeting:

Name	Regular Member	Associate Member	Junior / Honorary Member	Guest
Jonathan Alford	x			
Iuna Alexeeva	x			
Jana Harris				x
Carolyn Powell Phillips	x			
Ashley Powell			x	
Alice Alford	x			
Randy Alford	x			
Jan Schmidt	x			
Roger Mackenzie				x
Bill Marsh	x			
Anne Marsh	x			
Claire Ellis		x		
Ken Bess	x			
Susan Bess	x			
Larry Crane	x			
Missy Crane	x			
Linda Whitmire	x			
Bart Whitmire				x
Paula Ayers	x			
Marty Ayers				x
Michele Henson	x			
John Guest		x		
Rita Guest		x		
Denise Newlon	x			
Jim Utych		x		
Sharon Utych	x			

Code of Ethics Recommendation

The Board is recommending that the Club changes its Code of Ethics from our original, current Code and adopt the Code of Ethics of our Parent Club, The American Cavalier King Charles Spaniel Club (ACKCSC). Printed in the newsletter are both sets of Code of Ethics for your review. This Code of Ethics change is recommended to reflect consistency between ourselves and our parent club and eliminates any conflicts of interpretation. This change will be discussed and voted on in our February meeting.

THE CAVALIER KING CHARLES SPANIEL CLUB OF GREATER ATLANTA, INC. CODE OF ETHICS

The purpose of this Code of Ethics is to improve and protect the Cavalier King Charles Spaniel and to promote good sportsmanship between club members and Cavalier owners.

I. Recommended Guidelines for Breeding a Cavalier Bitch:

- A. Before breeding my bitch, I will study the AKC Breed Standard and breed only those specimens that meet the standard.
- B. I will not breed a bitch until her second heat, or before she reaches fourteen (14) months of age.
- C. I will not breed any bitch once she has reached eight (8) years of age.
- D. I will not breed any bitch unless I am prepared to keep all puppies for which I cannot find suitable homes.
- E. I will spay bitches determined to be unsuitable for breeding. I will make certain that any bitch placed in a pet home is placed with restricted papers and a spay agreement.
- F. I will make certain that my bitch is tested annually by a board certified cardiologist and ophthalmologist for Mitral Valve Disease and inherited eye disorders. If my bitch is clear of MVD/inherited eye disorders, I may choose to breed her following the guidelines in this Code of Ethics.

II. Recommended Guidelines for Breeding Stud Dogs:

- A. Before placing my dog at stud, I will study the AKC Breed Standard and breed only those dogs that meet the standard.
- B. I will neuter dogs determined unsuitable for breeding. I will make certain that any dog placed in a pet home is placed with restricted papers and a neuter agreement.
- C. I will not offer stud services to any persons who do not take sincere ethical measures to protect/improve the breed, or to any persons who would place puppies without spay/neuter contracts.
- D. I will make certain that my stud dog is tested annually by a board certified cardiologist and ophthalmologist for Mitral Valve Disease and inherited eye disorders. If my stud dog is clear of MVD/inherited eye disorders, I may choose to breed him following the guidelines in this Code of Ethics.

III. Recommended Guidelines for selling Cavalier King Charles Spaniel Puppies:

- A. I will be discriminate in the placement of all Cavalier puppies or dogs that I breed.
- B. I will not place puppies/dogs in pet shops, with animal brokers or persons who sell/buy in litter lots.
- C. I will not donate puppies/dogs for raffles or contests.
- D. I will not release puppies to new homes before 8 weeks of age and all will have immunizations/wormings appropriate for their age.
- E. I will provide full instructions to new owners on the care and feeding of their puppy/dog. It is strongly advised that puppies be checked by a veterinarian prior to leaving for their new home and that the veterinary health certificate be provided to the new owner(s).
- F. I will place all pet quality puppies with restricted papers and a spay/neuter agreement.
- G. In the event that a puppy/dog that I place cannot be kept by the buyers, the sales contract will state that the puppy/dog will be returned to me or that I will assist in finding a suitable home for the puppy/dog.

IV. Business Integrity

- A. I will represent my puppies/dogs honestly.
- B. I will not use misleading or deceptive advertising.
- C. I will discourage anyone from breeding Cavaliers for fun or profit.

V.

I will never broker puppies/dogs for anyone regardless of club affiliation or credentials.

VI.

I agree to abide by and uphold all AKC rules and regulations and the Constitution/ByLaws and Code of Ethics of the Cavalier King Charles Spaniel Club of Greater Atlanta, Inc. and I understand that I will be held accountable for my actions.

VII.

I will assist fellow members in anyway that I can. I will, at all times, educate and offer appropriate club resources.

ethics:

1. The discipline dealing with what is good and bad or right and wrong or with moral duty and obligation. 2. A group of moral principles or set of values. 3. Principles of conduct governing an individual or a profession: standards of behavior.

The American Cavalier King Charles Spaniel Club, Inc. (ACKCSC, Inc.) is the American Kennel Club (AKC) parent club for the Cavalier King Charles Spaniel in the U.S.A. The ACKCSC, Inc. recognizes it's, and it's members, responsibility to preserve and protect the Cavalier King Charles Spaniel. It further recognizes that the quality and reputation of the breed rests squarely in the hands of it's breeders and owners. This is a guideline for how ACKCSC, Inc. members and breeders conduct themselves as they pursue their hobby of owning, showing and breeding Cavalier King Charles Spaniels. The purpose is not to punish a member for his/her conduct, but to point the way toward responsible caring ownership, exhibiting and breeding. Membership in the American Cavalier King Charles Spaniel Club, Inc. assumes acceptance of and adherence to these guidelines.

I. Breeding:

I understand that the purpose of breeding Cavalier King Charles Spaniels is to bring the natural qualities of the breed to perfection in accordance with the ACKCSC, Inc. approved breed standard. A constant danger exists that unintentionally ignorant or disreputable breeders may, by improper practices, produce physically, mentally or temperamentally unsound specimens to the detriment of the breed. I agree to consult with the breeder of the dog I own and/or with some other experienced breeder/mentor before I undertake any breeding.

A. If I do decide to breed a litter, I will: 1. Be selective with respect to the conformation, physical well being, and temperament of the pair to be mated. 2. Breed only after careful study is undertaken of the Cavalier breed standard as it applies to the pedigrees of the mating pair. 3. Breed only Cavaliers registered with the American Kennel Club (AKC). 4. Be prepared to provide proper care for both the bitch and her litter and to retain the puppies for as long as it takes to find suitable homes. 5. Not breed from any Cavalier known to have inheritable, disqualifying, disabling, or potentially disabling health defects Note: Screening for inherited diseases and health defects is strongly recommended by ACKCSC, Inc. e.g. eye, heart, patellae, and hips. 6. Not breed a Cavalier that the breeder has "limited" it's breeding via the AKC registration unless the restriction is revoked via proper channels with the AKC.

B. As the owner of a stud dog, 1. I will use my dog only with bitches that I feel are an asset to the breed and whose owners agree to conform to these Ethical Guidelines. 2. I will check the bitch's pedigree and registration certificate to ascertain ownership, age, and breeding restrictions. 3. I will supply a Stud Service Certificate listing the dates of mating and terms of service. 4. I will assist the owner of the bitch with the placement of any puppies resulting from the use of my stud dog understanding that I am equally responsible for the resulting puppies. 5. I will provide one free return stud service to the same dog for a bitch that has failed to conceive or to whelp a viable litter as long as the dog is still in my ownership. 6. I will not withhold my stud dog from breeding to a bitch solely on reasons of club affiliation.

C. As the owner of a bitch, 1. I will not breed a bitch before she is eighteen months old or her third season, whichever comes first; and not breed a bitch who has reached her eighth birthday. 2. I will not allow a bitch to whelp more than two litters during any three consecutive heat cycles. 3. I will not allow a bitch to carry to term and rear more than six litters in her lifetime.

II. Care and Transfer of Puppies and Dogs:

A. I will provide all puppies I sell proper veterinary and home care, which includes: 1. A properly balanced, nutritional diet. 2. Proper and safe worming procedures for internal and external parasites so that all puppies and adult dogs remain free of parasites. 3. Proper inoculation protocols must be followed to insure the health of the puppy or adult dog.

B. I will have any puppy humanely euthanized that is found to be suffering as a result of an irreversible condition.

C. I will do my best to evaluate my breeding Cavaliers objectively and use for breeding only those conforming as closely as possible to the AKC breed standard. All Cavaliers I breed that I sell as pet quality will be neutered/spayed or will be transferred as "limited" on their AKC papers.

AMERICAN CAVALIER KING CHARLES SPANIEL CLUB, INC. CODE OF ETHICS CONTINUED

D. I will undertake, to the best of my ability, proper screening procedures for potential new owners. I will attempt to determine their suitability and motives for acquiring a Cavalier. I will make an effort to determine their financial suitability to undertake financial commitment for the proper care of the dog. I will undertake to ensure that it is a stable family situation with adequate physical facilities for the dog.

E. I will not allow any puppy to leave for its new home before the age of eight weeks although twelve weeks is suggested.

F. I will ensure that each dog transferred from my household is accompanied by the following documentation: 1. Feeding instructions. 2. Written medical records including immunizations, types of vaccines used, date(s) of inoculations, date(s) of worming if any. 3. A pedigree showing at least three generations. 4. A current health certificate signed by my veterinarian. 5- A written contract signed by both parties delineating the terms of sale. 6- AKC registration papers.

H. I will encourage all new owners to have their Cavaliers checked by a veterinarian within 72 hours from the time of acquisition and notify me of the findings.

I. I will encourage all new owners to keep me informed concerning the development of any Cavalier obtained from me, and to advise me of any problems that may develop during its lifetime, as well as the eventual cause of death.

J. I will ask the owner(s) of any dog acquired from me to advise me if they are ever unable to keep their Cavalier, so that I can either take the dog back or give assistance in finding it a new home.

III. General Conduct of Members:

I will remember at all times that the ACKCSC, Inc. exists as an AKC affiliate to protect and improve the Cavalier and that as a member, my actions reflect on the Club and the breed.

A. I will: 1. Attempt to act as a mentor and try to educate each new owner or interested person in a positive and constructive manner. 2. Demonstrate good sportsmanship both inside and outside the show ring. 3. Behave in a manner that will be conducive to the advancement of the Cavalier and the ACKCSC, Inc. 4. Provide my dog(s) with adequate exercise, proper diet, veterinary health care, proper housing, exercise, food, water, house breaking, training and sanitary conditions. 5. I will have any dog humanely euthanized that is found to be suffering as a result of an irreversible condition. 6. Consider permanent identification of all dogs (as required by AKC) using a current acceptable method. The ACKCSC, Inc. strongly recommends that all dogs be permanently identified. 7. Do appropriate screening on all breeding stock and puppies I sell.

B. I will not: 1. Knowingly falsify a pedigree, health screening or breeding information. 2. Sell Cavaliers to pet shops, brokers or third party dealers. 3. Supply or sell Cavaliers for auctions, raffles, flea markets or any other such enterprise. 4. Knowingly sell to unethical breeders, or sell to persons whose intention is resale. 5. Purchase any Cavalier or any litter for resale either to an individual or a commercial establishment. 6. Maliciously or falsely denigrate another member, their Cavaliers, kennel or practices.

C. In all questions of ethics not covered by these Ethical Guidelines, I will act in the best interest of the breed at all times. D. I will not knowingly misrepresent the characteristics of the breed or any given dog, falsely advertise dogs or falsely mislead in advertisements. E. When I exhibit my Cavalier(s), I will be considerate of all other exhibitors and their dogs, remembering that I, as well as my Cavalier, represent our breed and the ACKCSC, Inc.our Club. I will abide by all AKC rules and regulations.

IV. Exceptions:

Legitimate exceptions to these Ethical Guidelines may arise. In such cases, any member may request that the Officers and Board of Directors of the ACKCSC, Inc. review the problem.

All current ACKCSC, Inc. members as well as new applicants for membership are asked to sign a copy of these Ethical Guidelines. The Corresponding Secretary will maintain a complete listing of those members who have signed and this will be noted in the Membership Directory.

Interested in serving on the CKCSC Board or on the Nominating Committee?

Nominations for CKCSC of Greater Atlanta officers for the 2015-2016 year will soon be approaching. We will be forming a Nominating Committee in February to approach regular club members asking them to consider running for a Board position. All positions are up for election.

If you want to serve on the Nominating Committee, please contact Alice Alford and let her know!

Also, if you want the Nominating Committee to consider your name for a position on the upcoming slate of officers & board members, please let them know of your interest once the Nominating Committee is announced in February. This really helps them out if you let them know you have an interest in a position!

Positions to be filled are a one year term and consist of President, Vice President, Treasurer, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary and two Board positions. You can refer to the By Laws on our website (www.ckcscatlanta.org) for all the descriptions of the positions.

ACKCSC 2015 National

The National and the Blue Ridge Club Specialty will be held in beautiful Asheville NC on April 13-18 at the Crown Plaza Resort-Asheville.

Judges are:

Kevan Berry - ACKCSC Conformation

Sandra Harrison - ACKCSC Sweepstakes

Marianne Creary - ACKCSC Futurity

Nick Frost - ACKCSC Junior Showmanship

Ted McCall & Jean Nocily - ACKCSC Obedience & Rally

Elaine Lessig - Blue Ridge CKCSC (4/17)

Wendy Maisey - Blue Ridge CKCSC (4/18)

Cindy Huggins - Blue Ridge CKCSC Junior Showmanship



All information can be found online at: <https://www.ackcsc.org/2015national/>

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Superintendent is Jim Rau Dog Shows (www.raudogshows.com)

Members!

Do you have a cute candid or win shot that you want to share? How about a brag to share with club members? Send in your pictures and brags to our newsletter editor, Denise Newlon! This is YOUR newsletter, so please share your brags, candid, news with other club members!

Do you have an interesting article or news tidbit that you think other club members may benefit from? You can send that in also to Denise for inclusion in the newsletter!

Thank you!