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## Presidents Message

Fall is in the air! This cool air brings to mind the fall fairs, football, and our yearly Members match/puppy picnic. The date is Nov 4<sup>th</sup>. You should be getting an invitation by e-mail soon. Invite all your cavalier friends as we love to have them all. Let's make this year the best yet. In addition to heart and eye clinic, we are having a patella check. All these forms can be pre filled out on line at the OFA site. OFA are now going to be keeping information on eyes, so hopefully the form will be up on the site in time for you to fill that out also. We are still checking into microchipping and also trying to get a tester for therapy dogs again. I will be doing Canine Good Citizenship again, so teach your cavaliers to sit and stay as that is the one they have the most trouble with.

As with all the other years, we will need help with the clinics, setting up and cleaning up. Let us know if you would be willing to help in any of these areas.

Hope to see you at our October meeting. Put it on your calendar, Oct 2. See you there.

Alice Alford, President CKCSC Atlanta

## Club News —

As you all know by now, CKCSCGA will be participating in the Chattapoochie Pet Fest again this year. The event will take place Sunday, October 7. Our participation last year was a great success and we are excited to be involved again this year. The event will serve as an AKC RDO event for us. You will learn by reading the attached flier that it will be a day of fun.....bring the whole family. We need volunteers to help with set up, clean up and to man our booth all day. We will have a Meet The Breed booth supplied with gifts for the kids and wonderful educational information. This will be a time for all of us to show off our beautiful dogs and educate the public on our breed and responsible dog ownership. Please plan on attending and consider helping with set up, clean up or manning the booth for an hour or two. Bring you family and your Cavaliers. See you there.

The CKCSCGA October meeting will be Tuesday, October 2 at Northlake Holiday Inn. The Northlake Holiday Inn is located at 2158 Ranchwood Drive, Atlanta 30345. The phone number for the hotel is 770-934-6000. There will be no program at the October meeting because we have a great deal to discuss. We will be finalizing our plans for Chattapoochie Pet Fest (October 7), the annual Puppy Picnic/Members' Match, and the 2012 Holiday Party. We will also be discussing details for the 2013 Specialty. This will be a very important meeting and all members are encouraged to attend. The board meeting will begin at 6:00 followed by the social hour at 7:00 and the general membership meeting at 7:30. As always, members are invited to sit in on the board meeting. I hope to see all of you at the meeting October 2. Mark Fitchpatrick, Correspondence Secretary

Annual Meeting for the Georgia Canine Coalition, Inc. It will be held at the Golden Corral in Alpharetta on Monday evening, October 29, 2012. Delegates, members and guests are welcome.

# The Cavalier Chronicle

## *Attention Owner-Handler Exhibitors!*

### *Join Us for the AKC National Owner-Handler Series*

Did you know that more than 80% of show dogs are handled by their owners? To celebrate the dedication and enthusiasm of owner-handler exhibitors like you, **the American Kennel Club has created the new AKC National Owner-Handler Series for you and your dogs!** This non-titling competition held at select dog shows across the country launches this year and you are invited to participate! The American Kennel Club and the Atlanta Kennel Club, Inc. in your area will be hosting an AKC National Owner-Handler Series event at:

**Atlanta Kennel Club, Inc.**

**Saturday, October 20, 2012**

**Atlanta Exposition Cntr South, Atlanta, GA**

**Entries close on Wednesday, October 3, 2012.** To enter this show visit show superintendent [Onofrio Dog Shows, LLC](#). ***Dogs must be declared Owner-Handler eligible at the time of entry using the check box on the entry form.***

The AKC National Owner-Handler Series includes Breed, Group & Best in Show competitions. It is offered for all owner-handled dogs & bitches (including Winners Dog and Winners Bitch) exhibited in the Best of Breed class. The competition will be conducted following Best of Breed judging in each breed ring. All Owner-Handlers – owners who present their own dogs and are not professional handlers – are eligible and encouraged to participate.

The top-ranked dogs from the AKC National Owner-Handler Series will be posted on [www.akc.org](http://www.akc.org) and the Top 10 Owner-Handled dogs of each breed and variety will be invited to compete at an "end of year" competition show. Rankings of the dogs competing in the series will be compiled based on the Best of Breed, Group and Best in Show placements in this specific series competition. For more information on points and judging procedures visit [www.akc.org/ohs](http://www.akc.org/ohs).

***\*Professional handlers, assistants and household members of current professional handlers are not eligible to own or present dogs in this competition. Professional handlers are defined as any person who belongs or has belonged to a professional handlers' organization, distributed rate cards, or otherwise advertised or represented themselves as handling dogs for pay.***

We'd love to hear from you about the AKC National Owner-Handler Series. Please feel free to contact us at [glt@akc.org](mailto:glt@akc.org) if you have any questions, your club would like to host a series event or would like to offer feedback after the event regarding your owner-handler series experience.

Sincerely,

Bobby Birdsong

AKC Director, Event Operations

**MINUTES OF MEETING  
CKCSCGA - REGULAR MEETING**

September 4, 2012

Holiday Inn Northlake 2158 Ranchwood Dr NE, Atlanta, GA 30345

**REGULAR MEETING AGENDA:**

Welcome Guests  
Roll Call  
Approve Minutes of Last Meeting  
Report of President  
Report of Corresponding Secretary  
Report of Recording Secretary  
Report of Treasurer  
Reports of the Committees  
Election of New Members  
Unfinished Business  
New Business  
Adjournment  
Braggs

**MINUTES:**

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by Alice Alford.

**WELCOME GUESTS: Darlene Blischok, Beverly and George Manley**

**MEMBERS ATTENDING:** Quorum Present? Yes  
Regular Members: Holly Brookins, Alice Alford, Margie Roe, Susan Hardwick Bess, Shannon Schilling, Paula Ayers, Linda Whitmire, Jonathan Alford, Mark Fitchpatrick. Associate Members: Jim Utych, Sharon Utych, Jeanne Deloney, Rita Guest, Ken Bess, John Guest. Guests: Darlene Blischok, Beverly Manley, George Manley.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF LAST MEETING:**

A motion was made by Linda Whitmire to approve the August 2012 minutes as submitted. The motion was seconded by Mark Fitchpatrick. Motion was carried.

**REPORT OF PRESIDENT:**

Thank you for donations for the AKC Political Action committee. If anyone else would like to contribute, please send to Vickie before the end of September. Donations so far total \$105, plus \$150 from the Club.

No meeting for November because Puppy Picnic is Nov 4.

**REPORT OF RECORDING SECRETARY:**

First reading for Beverly and George Manley of Gainesville, GA.

**REPORT OF CORRESPONDING SECRETARY:**

We received an invitation to attend the annual meeting for GA Canine Coalition. It was forwarded to all members.

We also received a letter from AKC stating that they approved the CKCSCGA 1/31/13 Sweepstakes event.

We have received a letter from AKC stating that they have put approval of the CKCSCGA 1/31/13 unbenched Specialty event on hold pending parent club approval. Parent club has been notified and just provided us with a letter stating their approval of our event, so this should not be an issue.

We received a Specialty Trophy solicitation from 2013 Nat'l Specialty Trophy committee which was forwarded to membership so that any member can contribute.

**REPORT OF TREASURER:**

Mark Fitchpatrick gave report because Vickie Herring was absent as she recovers from back surgery. Total assets as of 8-31-12 -\$26,869.80. Trophy fund is negative- donations needed. Our Breeder website has been renewed for 2013.

**REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:**

Show committee: Judges Sandra Ireland-reg classes, Wally Rice-sweepstakes/Junior Handling- been approved by AKC. The Parent Club has approved our Specialty Education table- Alice Alford will work this table at Specialty. Please feel free to volunteer or contribute ideas.

Judges Hospitality- Margie Roe will get in touch with judges.

Trophy- suggestion: BOB- director's chair with a picture-appx \$90, WD/WB- wine caddy (\$45), RWD/RWB- wine caddy, BP-embroidered towel-\$30, BOS/BOW-Embroidered bath towel (\$30), 1<sup>st</sup> place- hand towels. Will email to Vickie Herring.

Ringside Hospitality committee- Mark Fitchpatrick is in charge  
Auction- Jeanne Deloney is in charge, Holly Majka Brookins will assist if needed. We do need auction donations.

Banquet will be a buffet.

Publicity/Advertising- Sharon Utych

Ring Steward- Brenda Martz

Program Committee- Dr. Blischok is doing heart health tonight.

Raw food program from Michael Lander upcoming. Dr. Mark Kent has completed the Brussels-Griffon SM study and will present to us in future months. October will be program-free.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

Puppy picnic will be held on Nov 4 at 11am at Linda Whitmire's Field of Dreams

We are working on micro-chip clinic and patellae clinic. Linda Whitmire purchased an E-Z Up tent for the Club to use. We will use at picnic and Chattapoochie Meet the Breed booth. We would like to find a Canine Good Citizen tester for puppy picnic.

We asked Terrence to judge the Member's Match, Brenda will be back-up.

Photographer will be doing pet portraits.

Ken Bess will bring a speaker/microphone for announcer set-up and will be the announcer.

Help will be needed at the picnic- please volunteer.

Holiday party will be held at Maggiano's on December 2. There is a new menu- board will choose menu at next meeting. We have a gift exchange/ \$25 gift.

Spot at Chattapoochie Fest in Duluth is secured on October 7, 10am-5pm for Meet the Breed booth. Volunteers are still needed- contact Mark Fitchpatrick.

Sharon has put together 35 little kid bags with coloring sheet, pencils, Cavalier pumpkin stencil etc... Older kids will get a bag with reading materials (35 are made).

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**None**

**ADJOURNMENT:**At 8:03PM Paula Ayers made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Linda Whitmire. The motion carried.

Submitted by:Holly Majka Brookins Recording Secretary  
CKCSCGA

## Dog Fancy's October Featuring the Cavalier King Charles Spaniel

## 2012 Issue

Dog Fancy Magazine will be featuring the Cavalier King Charles Spaniel in our upcoming October 2012 issue. Not only will this breed be our Front Cover Breed but there will also be 4-6 pages of information, articles and photos devoted to the breed. We will have a full comprehensive article including history, companionship, grooming needs, health issues, personality profile, training needs, unique characteristics, etc.

### Look At Us!!!!

#### Cherokee Rose Cluster Results for Friday:

Winners Dog - Mockingbird's Double Dutch; Owner: SM&ML Glisson

Reserve WD - Castlekeep Dr. Zhivago; Owner: [Pat Lander](#) and [Michelle Lander](#)

Winners Bitch - Stepamgar You're So Vain; Owner: Linda & James Shreffler

Reserve WB - Tidewater Rebellion; Owner: Betty O'brien

BOB: Tudorose Apollo; Owner: Pat Mixon

#### Cherokee Rose Cluster Results for Saturday:

Winners Dog: OKAYC Thriller; Owner: [Melissa Crane](#)

RWD: Castlekeep Dr. Zhivago; Owner: [Pat Lander](#) and [Michelle Lander](#)

Winners Bitch: Promontory Jezabel; Owner: C. Solomon

RWB: Stepamgar You're So Vain; Owner: Linda and James Shreffler

BOB: CH Castlekeep Clooney Brown; Owner: Lisa Carnes

#### Cherokee Rose Cluster Results for Sunday:

Winners Dog: OKAYC Thriller; Owner: [Melissa Crane](#)

Reserve WD: Castlekeep Dr. Zhivago; Owner: [Pat Lander](#) and [Michelle Lander](#)

Winners Bitch: Stepamgar You're So Vain; Owner: Linda and

James Shreffler

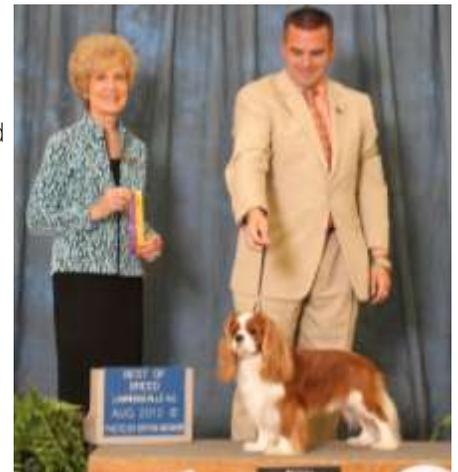
Reserve WB: Brookhaven Fancy Face; Owner: [Brenda Martz](#) and [Paula Lynn Ayers](#)

BOB: OKAYC Thriller; Owner: Melissa Crane

THANKS SHARON

CH Castlekeep Clooney Brown (CH Truluv Kiss N Tell Of Jayba x Charterwood Lynette) takes BOB as a special- 5 more points towards Grand Champion and I was there to watch ; - ))) Lisa

Marlene Anderson



## Chef's Corner

### Wheat Free Salmon Treats

1 8oz. Can Salmon with juice

1/2 cup chopped Parsley

3 Eggs, Shells included

1/2 cup Sesame seeds ground up in coffee grinder

1/2 cup Flax seeds ground up in coffee grinder

2/3 cups Potato flour

Put ingredients into a food processor, mix very well! Pour potato flour through the opening while running. When dough forms, like a pie crust, and rolls into a ball it is

ready. Place onto potato floured counter or board. Knead more flour into this and when it is a rolled out cookie consistency, it is ready to roll out into about 1/4 inch thick. Use pizza cutter to roll out long strips, cut into squares. Or use a cookie cutter.

Bake on cookie sheet, sprayed with Pam or use parchment paper. Bake at 375 oven for 20 minutes. Turn and bake about 10 more minutes. You can make them as soft or as hard as you like.



## Meet the Breed

**What: Chattapoochie Pet Fest**

**Where: Chattapoochie Dog Park, 4291 Rodgers Bridge Road, Duluth GA**

**Date: Sunday, October 7, 2012**

**Time: 10am to 5pm for visitors, 8 to breakdown for vendors**

Needs:

1 10x10 tent

2 -3 tables (preferably 5-6 ft tables) to set up literature and poster boards

1 cooler with ice and water (for dogs and people) Bring your own chairs to sit on

Bag of non chocolate candy for kids to give out at the tent

A photographer to take pics so we can submit pictures to the AKC RDO wrap up for the AKC Website and also use for our newsletter.

We will need people to bring and set up the tent in the morning and also someone to take down the tent and pack up after the event.

We will need folks to bring cavaliers, preferably all colors, for people to pet. If you plan on only staying an hour or so, then please let us know so we can make a schedule to ensure we have enough cavaliers to cover the entire length of the event. Just let us know the times you could be available and we would then schedule you and your cavalier. Also please let us know if you plan to stay throughout the event and the number of cavaliers that are staying. If you are staying and bringing puppies you will need to bring an xpen for them. Please be ready to answer any questions folks may have about our breed and our club.

We will notify the AKC about the event and they will send some literature about RDO days (this will be a Responsible Dog Owner Day event for us also).

## SAVE THE DATES

**Before we turn around good the holiday season will have arrived. There are two very important dates that you need to put on your calendar. Our Puppy Picnic/Members' Match will be Sunday, November 4, The Puppy Picnic/Member's Match will be at the home of LindaWhitmire, the address is 2784 Bonds Lake rd NW Conyers, GA. 30012, Times are 11:00am to 5:00pm. We will have a Patella, Heart, Eye clinics. Also everyone is to bring a covered dish to share.**

**Our Holiday Party will be Sunday, December 2. The Holiday Party will be at Maggiano's Little Italy in Buckhead. Watch for more information to follow.**

**Mark Fitchpatrick, Correspondence Secretary**



## NATURAL REMIDES

### How To Beat Ear Infections

One of the most common Cavalier health issues is ear infections. Because of the way the Cavalier ear hangs down over the ear canal, and because of all that long hair on the ear, there isn't much ventilation into the ear canal. Things get moist in there, and it's easy for infections to get started.

Lift up the ear and look inside the ear canal. If the skin has a red tint to it, or if you detect a cheesy smell, or if you see any kind of discharge...you've probably got an ear infection in there.

Ear infections can be very frustrating to treat. Veterinarians typically respond to ear infections by prescribing drops or ointments to fight the infection. My personal experience has been that these treatments are not only expensive, but have a low success rate. I've had a much better result using a very inexpensive homemade ear cleaning solution which has been used in the Cavalier show world for decades.

So if your veterinarian's treatment plan hasn't been working for you, try the following recipe. My experience has been that a dog with an ear infection, if given this treatment daily, will show improvement within a few days, and will have the problem solved completely within about two weeks. After that, you only need to use this solution every week or two.

The ingredients you'll need are white vinegar, powdered boric acid, isopropyl alcohol (rubbing alcohol), and Betadine antiseptic solution. Generic versions of the Betadine are known as Providone-Iodine, and those are fine, too. Just be sure not to use "Betadine Scrub", which is Betadine with a detergent added. What you want is "Betadine Solution" or generic "Providone-Iodine Solution".

If you have difficulty finding the boric acid and the Betadine, your local Pharmacist will be happy to point you in the right direction. They used to keep boric acid in stock out in the pharmacy section of the drug store and you could buy it "over the counter". Recently, it's gotten a little harder to get after the regulations got tightened regarding selling it... since boric acid can be used to manufacture illegal drugs. These days, you usually won't find it just sitting out on the shelf of your local drug store. You usually do have to ask the pharmacist for it. You'll also need an empty bottle to store your ear cleaning solution in, and from which you will squirt the solution into your dog's ear. I recommend use of a plastic bottle with a long applicator snout, and with marking on the outside that show fluid levels in ounces. This makes it very easy to measure the ingredients as you pour them into the bottle. A great place to find these is at beauty supply stores, as they are commonly used for hair-coloring solutions.

Pour six ounces of isopropyl alcohol into your applicator bottle. This is where those ounce measuring lines on the outside of the bottle really come in handy. Next, add one and a half teaspoons of boric acid powder. An easy way to do that is to measure the powder, dump it onto a piece of paper, fold the paper in half and use the paper as a funnel to get the powder into the plastic applicator bottle. Be careful not to get any boric acid on your skin or clothing. If you do, wash it off immediately.

Shake the solution really well, until the boric acid powder is fully dissolved. Next, add two ounces of white vinegar. Shake it some more. Finally, add one teaspoon of the generic Betadine antiseptic, and shake it again. The solution would take on coloring similar to ice tea. Be careful not to get any of the Betadine on your skin or clothing (it stains). If you do, wash it off immediately.

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That's it! You're ready to move on to the hardest part now...getting you Cavalier to let you squirt this inside the ear canal.

One thing to keep in mind is that the ear cleaner contains Betadine, which is orange-colored and will stain carpet, furniture, etc. So, you should apply the ear cleaner to your dog outdoors or in your garage or in your bathtub...somewhere where nothing important can get stained when the dog shakes his head and the ear cleaning solution is flung into the air.

Applying this into your Cavalier's ears is usually easiest if you have a two-person team...one to hold the dog still with the ear up and out of the way, and the other person to squirt the solution into the ear. All you have to do is squirt it in until you have completely filled the ear canal with cleaning solution. But don't let go of the dog quite yet. Fold the ear back down over the ear canal, and use your hand to rub things around so that the ear cleaning solution gets around inside pretty well. Keep the dog still for a minute or so...because as soon as you let go, the dog's going to shake his head, and a lot of the cleaning solution is going to go flying out. If you get any of the ear cleaning solution on your skin, wash it off as soon as possible (remember...it stains your skin).

Apply the cleaning solution to your dog's ears daily until you start to see some improvement. Once things get better, you can cut back to once a week...and when you're fully satisfied with the condition of the ear you can go two weeks between treatments. The ear cleaning solution can be stored at room temperature and does not go bad with time.

One little tip: your dog won't object to you squirting this in his ear so much if you make sure the solution is warmed up to body temperature first. They hate it when you squirt cold liquid in their ears! Don't use the microwave oven to heat the solution, though....it's too easy to accidentally overheat it. Just put the bottle on a sunny window sill for an hour or so prior to use. Or warm the bottle in a pan of warm water like you would a baby bottle.

I started using this solution when one of my Cavaliers had a mild ear infection. Within a few days all was back to normal. I now use the solution as a routine part of the bathing process and have not had another ear infection since I started using the solution.

As always, check with your veterinarian prior to using any home remedy.

