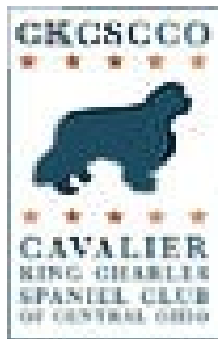


March 2009



# CKCSCCO Newsletter

## *President's Message*

Hello to all our Cavalier club members and friends. Your board has been working to bring another exciting year. But, first, let's take a look at last year. Here is an overview of activities and events for the past year 2008:

- The Club was incorporated
- CKCSCCO.org website was "remodeled"
- Bylaws were revised
- CKCSCCO became a member club of ACKCSC
- The club will work with ACKCSC Rescue Trust for rescue situations
- Meeting activities included spa day, dog dining out social, picnic, MJS spoke on legislation, Charlie Fippin gave a talk on judging
- Supported entry at the Central Ohio Kennel Club show

The CKCSCCO Board was busy at their January and February board meetings setting an agenda for 2009. We hope you will enjoy and participate in the following member activities and events:

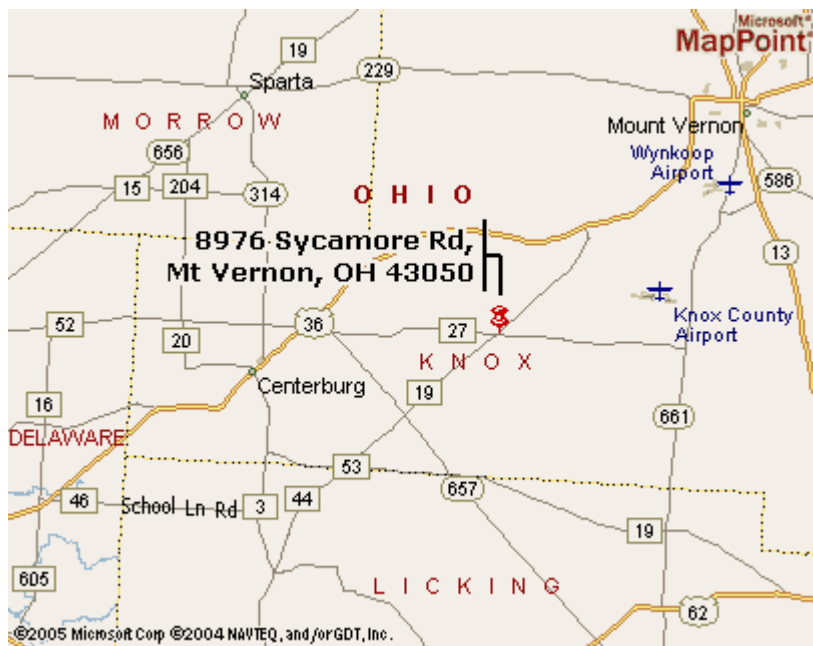
- Meeting on Sunday, March 29<sup>th</sup>, from 2:00-4:00 at Happy Heeling K-9 Training facility for Cavalier socialization and handling class. Facility is located at 8976 Sycamore Rd. Mt. Vernon, Oh 43050, 740-397-3273. Visit the website at <http://www.happyheelingk9training.com/>. \$5 donation for handling class and run through.
  - \*Meeting on Monday, April 20<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 pm at Bruno's Pizza with Meredith Johnson-Snyder to speak on current Legislation. The restaurant is located at 1774 E Dublin Granville Rd., Columbus, 43229. Pizza will be provided by the club.
  - B-Match on May 3<sup>rd</sup> at Blendon Woods in conjunction with the Central Ohio Labrador Retriever Club.
  - Picnic on June 13<sup>th</sup> at the home of Ellen and Norm Poti's at 1410 Folk Ream Rd., New Carlisle, 45344, 947-545-0915.
  - Spa day on July 11<sup>th</sup> at the home of Chris and Marty Bell at 5585 Wilcox Rd., Dublin, 43016, 614-889-5871. Potluck dinner and activities will run from 4 pm-7 pm.
  - \*Oct. 18<sup>th</sup> will be a meeting for nominations and canine first aid course. Meranda Rodenhaver will present the program from the American Health and Safety Institute which includes a book for each student to keep and hands on practice with bandaging and CPR practice on a canine manikin. Cost for members will be \$10.
  - \*Nov. 14<sup>th</sup> will be Annual Elections and Holiday party at the home of Meredith and Al Johnson-Snyder, 1793 Rome Corners Rd, Galena, 43021, 740-965-5915. The COKC show is this day, so dinner will start around 5 pm, with the meeting and elections around 7 pm.

\*Indicates no dogs at the meeting.

We hope to see you and your Cavalier(s) at these activities. Feel free to invite friends who are interested in Cavaliers, also. As always, please contact your board members with any questions or suggestions you have.

Looking forward to another great year with our Cavaliers-  
Chris

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CKCSCCO Sanctioned B Puppy Match  
Sunday, May 3, 2009  
Blendon Woods Park (Westerville,  
OH)  
Sycamore Shelter House

**Pre-entries must be received by Friday, May 1<sup>st</sup>.**

Judging starts at 12:00 Noon

Judge: David Galloway

Classes are as follows:

3-6 mos.

6-9 mos.

9-12 mos.

12-18 mos.

Open

Entry Price:

\$6.00 before May 1<sup>st</sup>

\$8.00 day of the show

Contact Match Secretary:

Mary McNamara

1725 Cheshire Rd

Delaware, Oh 43015

614-284-0199 or

[msmeg2004@yahoo.com](mailto:msmeg2004@yahoo.com)

Potluck and White Elephant sale will follow the match.

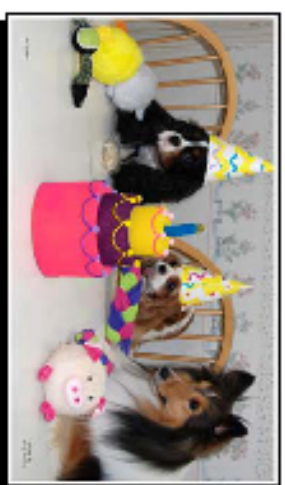
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# HAVING MY SAY: "THE TAIL IS WAGGING THE DOG"

**Meredith Johnson-Snyder**  
**Rattlebridge**

After a ten year retirement, I am back to work as a substitute principal in my old urban school system. Kids and the system have not changed much in the last ten years that I have had the freedom to travel chasing my Cavalier dream after retiring after so many years as a school principal. Why am I beginning an article in "The Royal Spaniels" by mentioning my former and now current again work? I am mentioning it because in my first conference with a parent, the parent tried to turn the conference around to blame me and the system for the child's misbehavior. I had attempted to stop an emotionally disturbed young boy from running out of the school by putting my hands on his coat. The first thing the parent did was accuse me of putting my hands on her child while she refused to consider the child's behavior. So many times in our society, the small minority of the guilty have gotten away with misbehavior or crime, by accusing the system of violating individual rights rather than apologizing for those acts against the majority of society. In my case the tail has never wagged this old bitch and I put the responsibility right back on the student without allowing the parent to put the school or me on trial for trying to uphold the rights of the rest of the student and staff population for a safe and orderly school. My point is that all too often in many areas of our lives, our society, our government, foreign governments and in our world in general, the desires, rights, or needs of the majority are cancelled out by very vocal minorities who wish to achieve their own agendas whether good for the majority or not. And we allow it to happen because we do not let our united voices be heard!

Take a look at recent past and current events in our country. The majority of Californians are outraged that tax money will be used to support the irresponsibility of the mother of octuplets who made a decision to use fertility treatments and multiple embryo transplants at the same time knowing full well that she could not be fiscally or medically responsible to take care of her six children much less eight more. The taxpayers of California and her fourteen children will pay the price for her own need to have "more children to love" without her considering the welfare of those children. One woman takes advantage of the system and the majority will pay as no one can or wants to deny the needs of her children and have given up trying to let their voices be heard.

Then we have the case of the border patrols in one of our Mexican border states where two of our border patrols shot at two fleeing drug dealing illegals, hitting them in their fleeing rears. So who gets in trouble? The two border patrols representing our government and doing their job go to prison while our government gets sued by the drug dealing criminals—another case of the majority sitting back and allowing injustice to rule. A couple of drug dealing tails certainly wagged the border patrol our legal system's dogs.

Now to the news of the night which had me reaching for something to throw at the television. The United Nations is once more considering a resolution which would forbid the media from saying anything negative against Islam. Free speech is guaranteed by our Constitution; court battles rage over censorship in this country. Yet, the UN resolution would attempt to put a gag order on journalists or newscasters who might be critical of the Islam extremists who behind their religion to advance their agenda of hate and destruction—certainly not the agenda of Islam! To my knowledge, this resolution does not extend to other religions; it could still be open season on Catholicism, Evangelism, Judaism, and Voodoo to name a few. Atheism is of course still protected and continues to win the war against any kind of religion displays in government buildings, schools, newly minted coins, and, of course, public prayer and religious observances. Since in many Islam nations, religion and the government are the same, the possible UN resolution will thereby prohibit any criticism of Islam governments also. So a small number of nations will wag the UN tail and may get away with it despite what the too polite and politically correct majority may wish.

Now how does all my outraged rambling relate to our world of dogs? The tail in the way of the animal rights movement is definitely wagging the the body of the majority dog lovers and breeders who for some reason have little or no voice in protecting their rights to own and breed dogs. Will the majority do anything to fight back? They may win a battle or two, but are definitely losing against the political machines of the HSUS and PETA who are trampling over the rights of

the rest of us.

As we all know, the world of purebred dogs is coming under attack. While we have concentrated on breeding and showing, animal rights groups have positioned themselves to eradicate purebred dogs and, in fact, all domesticated animals in several countries in the world, the UK and the United States being the top targets. Look at what has already happened in Switzerland; look at how fox hunting, a long tradition, has been eliminated in the UK. In the US, several communities and cities have passed breed specific legislation, restricted the number of dogs one can own, limited number of litters bred during a year or legislated no breeding at all, and put breeders under the jurisdiction of dog wardens who can enter a breeder's home to check records without notice and seize dogs over trumped up charges without the breeder or dog owner having any way to get the dogs back. Every week, more proposed anti breeding and anti dog edicts come to our attention. This week, proposed legislation in Pennsylvania calls for the end of cropping and docking; an owner of a cropped or docked breed must be able to show at any time a certificate that a veterinarian performed the cropping or docking of their dog or face having the dog in question asked seized. New Hampshire has bad legislation in the works; California will be once more introducing mandatory spay/neuter legislation; West Palm Beach, Florida, has forbidden any breeding within its borders causing breeders to move elsewhere; Ohio, my state, will be introducing legislation to control and tax breeding in this new legislation session. The list goes on and on.

The public relations effort of the animal rights groups to demonize the breeders of purebred dogs and the dogs themselves is paying off. The public as well as many celebrities are extolling the virtues of shelter dogs as being healthier than purebreds, but who would really know as there are no health statistics being kept on mixed breeds and no mixed breed clubs tracking health problems. The unsuspecting public is duped into believing that buying a purebred will result in the death of a supposedly "healthier" shelter dog while shelters are sending dogs from one end of our country to another to fill empty shelters and importing puppies and dogs from other countries because in some parts of the country there are not enough shelter dogs to be adopted and shelters support themselves through adoptions. However, PETA and HSUS continue to specialize in successfully influencing public opinion against purebreds and breeders despite so many of us working to improve the lot of shelter dogs and pushing the neutering of the puppies we sell to pet homes.

No where is a breed being more maligned than in the UK and that breed is our wonderful and endearing Cavalier. It does not matter to the BBC or animal rights fanatics that the Cavalier Club, as well as other breed clubs, is funding research on health problems in our breed in order to eliminate those health problems. When breeders like a certain member of the UK Cavalier Club who has been touched by SM assassinates our breed on public television, then it is time for breeders to organize and fight back. The neurosurgeon whom we have trusted and supported to do research on SM to help us eliminate the disease has also assassinated our breed in public and, although has cleverly achieved dubious international credibility as the foremost authority on SM, certainly does not have the best interest of our breed at heart. Why has not more been done to tell the other side of the story—our side. It is sad that fine breeders are backing off breeding rather than confront the situation head on. We cannot let those against our breed win for then our breed is lost. Which one of us can live without a Cavalier? I know I will choose my nursing home on the basis of "dogs allowed" How much have we done to fight back? Positive public relations and publicity is the key to influencing public opinion and denouncing those who attack us. John Mandeville writing in his Inside Out column in the February 13, 2009, issue of our "Dog News," remarks that when he heard about the BBC broadcast, he thought it would not be taken seriously especially in a country known for its deep love for dogs. He admits to being very wrong now. With the BBC attack on specific breeds with health problems and its blackmailing The Kennel Club into prohibiting those breeds from being shown at Crufts, the tail has certainly been wagging the dog in the UK as The Kennel Club, while not caving into the Crufts blackmail, has certainly begun rewriting breed standards and begun requiring judges to begin evaluating health in the ring. What a crock! Since when does a venerable institution such as The Kennel Club cow tow to a sensationalistic broadcasting company who is way off base to begin with. The Kennel Club needs to stop listening to small interest groups and listen to and back the breeders and fanciers who support it by educating the dog loving public who depends on those breeders for their wonderful purebreds. However, without the pressure of a united show world, The Kennel Club will probably not stand for breeders, but give in to those wagging tails just as the British government gave into the anti foxhunting animal rights groups.

As long as we refuse to organize and fight back by docking (oh, my, did I use that awful red flag word?) all animal rights wagging tails, the interests of the purebred dog world will not be protected and all we may have left are the tails without the dogs.