Welcome to our winter edition, even though we sadly missed the Fall edition we are happy John Garrison is home and doing well. Our specialty news is a little late but we wanted to make sure no one missed out on our news and celebrations. Do not forget we cannot report what we do not know so send your news and brags to Janelle Smedley at jsmeds@cheqnet.net.

This year’s Specialty was indeed one to remember, greeting and enjoying our friends, many laughs and yes a few tears. A big shout out to all of our volunteers and exhibitors, you made the weekend a good one. Special congratulations to our member Deborah Bell for her outstanding sportsmanship award. Planning is well underway to make next year even better! If you have input or requests please let us know.
SHOW RESULTS
English Toy Spaniel Club of America National Specialty
May 23, 2019 Kalamazoo Michigan

Sweepstakes Judge- Dianne Hill, club member since 2005
Best in Sweepstakes-Southdown Sun Blossom, Owner Bruce VanDeman
Best of Opposite in Sweepstakes-Luvn Chr-lys Hues of the Moon, Owners Dawn and Brian Charley

Regular Class Judge- Richard LeBeau, club member since 1990

**Blenheim & Prince Charles**
- BOV-CH Cheri-A Wingo Lord Paddington, Owners John Wood, Jerome Elliott & Brenda Preston
- BOS-CH Clussexx Cream of the Crop, Owners Patti Caldwell & Richard Caldwell
- Select Dog- CH Southdown Ready Set Reign, Owners Bruce VanDeman & Genea Jones
- Select Bitch-CH Legacy Divine Design, Owner Dawn Stevens Lindemaier
- Winners Dog- Clussexx Super Trooper, Owner Mareth Kipp
- Winners Bitch/BOW- Terje Lipton Daddy’s Li’L Cutie, Owners Jeff Wright & Susan Carter

**King Charles & Ruby**
- BOV- Marchog MacDenim, Owner Maria Morozova
- BOS- CH Caledonia’s Flower Power, Owners Heather Reid & Michael Reid
- Select Dog-GCH Mt Legacy Firenze, Owner Dawn Lindemaier &Timothy Sweeney
- Select Bitch-CH Sirius Isabella Rose, Owners Beverly Mauer & Patricia Cox
- Winners Dog/BOW-Marchog MacDenim, Owner Maria Morozova
- Winners Bitch- Legacy Black Velvet, Owners Dawn Lindemaier & Donna Rubendall
- BISS/Best Owner Handler- CH Cheri-A Wingo Lord Paddington
- BOS-CH Caledonia’s Flower Power
- Best Puppy-Luvn Chr-lys Hues of the Moon
- Best Bred By- Southdown Sun Blossom
- Best Veteran- Kenjockey Private Eye
- Best Brood Bitch-CH Marsward Miss Jones
- Best Junior- Gabby Horve showing Novel My Future’s So Bright at Jamon
Show #1 Sweepstakes Judge Genea Jones- member since 2019
Best in Sweepstakes- McKiernan’s Warrior Princess, Owner Dianne Hill
Best Opposite in Sweepstakes-Novel My Future’s So Bright at Jamon, Owners Ellie Case & Gabby Horve

Show #1 Regular Class Judge Bruce VanDeman- member since 1987
Blenheim & Price Charles
BOV-CH Clussexx Safe & Sound, Owner Emma Christie
BOS/Winners Bitch-Madde’s Never Be Satisfied, Owners Deborah Bell & Dianne Hill
Winners Dog/BW- Novel’s My Future’s So Bright at Jamon

King Charles & Ruby
BOV/BISS-GCH Sirius Black Tie Affair, Owners Patricia Cox, Maria Morozova, Beverly Mauer, Mary Rasmussen
BOS/Winners Bitch—Terje’s Talk Back to Me, Owner Jeff Wright
Winners Dog/BW- KD’s Don’t Stop Me Now, Owner Dianne Hill

Show #2 Sweepstakes Judge Barbara Lorscheider- member since 1992
Best in Sweepstakes- Novel My Future’s So Bright at Jamon, Owner Ellie Case & Gabby Horve

Show #2 Regular Class Judge Mrs. Shilon Bedford
Blenheim & Price Charles
BOV-CH Clussexx Safe and Sound, Owner Emma Christie
BOS/Winners Bitch-Jupiter’s Li’l Girl, Owner Jeff Wright & Susan Carter
Winners Dog/BOW-Novel My Future’s So Bright at Jamon, Owner Ellie Case & Gabby Horve

King Charles & Ruby
BOV/ BISS-CH Marchog MacDenim, Owner Maria Morozova & Mary Rasmussen
BOS- CH Ashton Winmar a Novel of Hope, Owners Drs D. Thompson & M. Winters, Nancy Williams
Winners Dog- KD’s Don’t Stop Me Now, Owner Dianne Hill
Winners Bitch/BOW-Terje’s Talk Back To Me, Owner Jeff Wright

UPCOMING EVENTS
*English Toy Spaniel Club of New England-
April 5th 2020
Held in conjunction with Trap Falls Kennel Club,
MB-F superintendent
Regular Classes- Steve Hayden
*English Toy Spaniel Club of Western Pennsylvania
April 25th 2020
Held in conjunction with the Black Diamond Cluster,
MB-F superintendent
Sweepstakes- Heather Reid
Regular Classes- Jeff Bazell

CLUB BUSINESS
Welcome to our newest members!
Bonnie Watts- California
Kari Selinger- Michigan
New Delegate
Welcome to Heather Reid(VT) who has graciously accepted a 2 year term as our AKC Delegate

Our theme competition results are in and the winner is “Cherry Blossom Buddies”, submitted by Janelle Smedley. Once again we have original artwork by acclaimed UK artist Angela Turner. You will not want to miss this one and we will be announcing items available for purchase in the very near future!

Reminders of upcoming deadlines- Start thinking about next year’s awards. Do you have someone in mind for our lifetime achievement award or the outstanding sportsmanship award? Deadline is April 1st to theresacousins@yahoo.com. You can also send any Best in Show reports or Register of Merit information to the same email. Theresa will be sending an email the first of the year with details.
PERFORMANCE PROFILE

I will be interviewing members who have distinguished themselves in different performance sports in this new section of our newsletter. I personally know how much blood, sweat and tears go into becoming successful with an English Toy and hope to encourage others to explore the many possibilities that are available to us all. For this edition I am interviewing Karen Pouder of Eli-Fran English Toy Spaniels. Karen has been successful in the breed ring and the performance ring, earning her first performance title in 2007.

J: You have been blazing a trail in the sport of Scent Work with your English Toy Spaniel. What is your dog’s full name and what titles has she received in Scent Work?

K: Her name is CH Eli-Fran’s Lady Willow OA OAJ SWN SBA SEA SIA SHDN. This means she has her Novice Scent Work Title (Interior, Exterior, Container and Buried, with 3 legs toward each element) Interior Advanced, Exterior Advanced, Buried Advanced and 1 leg toward her Advanced Container and her Novice Handler Discrimination (where she must find an item with my scent instead of the usual essential oil that they find in other searches). She also has several agility titles.

J: How did you and Willow get started in this particular sport?

K: We actually got started as a fluke. We had a club member who wanted to start a nose work class so I brought Willow to help fill the class.

J: What about Willow makes her so successful and do you think this is a good fit for English Toys in general? What qualities should one look for in a Scent Work prospect?

K: I really thought we would be told after the first couple of nights to stay home as she had no aptitude. However, remember that every dog, no matter what breed uses its nose all day long. All you have to do is reward them for finding what you want them to find and they get the idea very quickly. If your dog does lots of sniffing at home it would probably be a good prospect. Willow is a pretty determined little girl and does not quit. That’s what made it a little difficult for us in Agility, if I wasn’t there to tell her where to go next she made her own course. She was not waiting for slow-poke me! I do have to say since we started nose work she has gotten even more independent. They do have to learn to problem solve in scent work. I have observed that many dogs that were unsure of themselves really come around after doing scent work for a while.

I am not sure about English Toys in general but Willow’s sibling who lives in Texas, is also doing scent work and really likes it. I see no reason why any ETS would be unable to compete in this sport. And the really neat thing is that older dogs with hearing/vision or other physical ailments can play scent work and have fun at it. And if you are an agility fan and your knees give out you can still have fun in scent work!

J: What kind of time commitment is involved to be ready for competition? How long did it take for Willow to compete and how often do you practice?

K: I started training Willow in January a couple of years ago and competed in a NACSW (non AKC) trial that summer. AKC’s scent work program got started about 2 years ago. We usually practice 1-2 times per week.

J: What does the future hold for you?

K: Willow and I plan to go all the way through to her masters title and I have a new puppy dog that I hope to get started in the near future.

J: Thank you Karen, you and Willow are certainly an inspiration and we look forward to all of your future accomplishments!

Janelle Smedley, resides in Wisconsin & has been actively exhibiting English Toy Spaniels since 1995. She has a particular interest in English Toys in performance and specifically those with titles on both ends. She has the honor of owning the only Group winning ETS with a performance title as well as another dog who is the only Specialty Variety winner with a performance title.