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Pierre Auger – Treas.

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CH Southridge Sheza
Showgirl (Lola) finished
with 3 majors, ably handled
by Mike and Gia Garofalo.
Pictured here Oct. 11, 2009
with Judge Peter J Green.



Letter from the President



As I write this, the 2010 Christmas season is upon us and it brings to mind something that I am grateful for.

As a member of the Papillon Club of Tulsa, do you realize how unique this membership is in the overall context of Dog Clubs? Far too many club's personalities are characterized by bickering, infighting and backbiting and the result is a club that can never live up to its potential.

It is extremely fortunate for a club to have a membership that might have varying views on something but that is completely willing to come together as a majority with no conflict. That is rare in a dog club.

You've probably heard me talk about this before and it's something that I continually appreciate. Be proud of yourselves! We have something that isn't typical and that I think is worth noticing.

To all of you, I wish a wonderful Christmas holiday and a Happy New Year.

Don

Dates & Places to Remember

PCT meetings are scheduled throughout the year and include socials PLUS get togethers at numerous nearby dog shows. Our goal is for our PCT members to easily network and play an active part in the club. From the increased size in attendance, this strategy must be working. At this time there are no further meetings scheduled until the 2011 dog shows in Claremore, OK, on April 3 & 4. If you have an opinion about the social and get togetheres, email it to the officers. In the meantime, have a wonderful and safe holiday.



Terry started showing Miniature Horses with great success.



Beau has retired to sitting on Danny's lap



Terry won with Best Puppy with Molly her first day in the ring.

"Can e-mail lists and social-networking sites compromise a judge's impartiality?" asks Kim Schive, judge of Shetland Sheepdogs and Gazette columnist since 2000.

On the Cover: Southridge Papillons

Terry and Danny Cross were used to showing before they fell in love with their first Papillon CH Southridge Beau Diddley (Beau). They raised Quarter Horses and Miniature Horses. It had been an amazing experience which was topped off at the last National that they attended. They owned the National Grand Champion Sr. Mare, and co-owned the National Grand Champion Sr. Stallion and Reserve National Grand Champion Sr. Stallion, which had never been done before! In 2002 they sold the mini's and moved to town, hoping to be as successful with their Papillons!

Terry actually got her start in Papillons by asking Katherine Auger if she would train her to do therapy work. On the first day they were to go to a nursing home, she with Katherine's Wendy and Katherine with her tiny Papillon, Terry. When Katherine and her two Papillons arrived all dressed for Valentine's Day, it was love at first site. After finding a pet named Zoie, the rest became history!!!

Wanting a show dog, she found Beau, of Katherine's breeding but owned by someone else. Once she bought him though, Terry worried, "I can't take him home...Danny would kill me for getting another dog." So she asked the lady to keep him at her house but Katherine insisted that Terry needed to get him out showing. So together, they asked C.L. Eudy to handle him. Beau finished quickly. Now, she wanted another one! C.L. helped her buy Maggie from a breeder in California, begging Sharon Newcomb and Elyse Vandermolen to sell her a bitch. Believe it or not, they did, and introduced her to the Garofalo's of InVolo Papillons, who let her buy 2 bitches and a dog and to breed to some of their dogs. Gia handles most of her dogs but Terry also uses Dan and Lorelei Bayless. She tried showing late this summer..."my puppy won in spite of my handling!!"

Terry loves raising Papillons and really enjoys planning the breedings and watching her sweet puppies grow and the time with friends that she has made along the way!!! "Our Papillons are very much a part of the household, most often running loose in the area of the house wherever we are. In their room, each dog eats separately in its own Rover Pet Run. That's where the ones that don't sleep with us, sleep.... although most sleep with us!!"

Education: A Judge's guide to 'netiquette'

What guidelines should govern our e-mail communications? In September '10 AKC Gazette [pp. 16-17], breeder-judge Kim Schive looks at the impact of social-networking on judges, today. Lack of moment-to-moment feedback that keeps real-world conversations civil can lead to carelessness and misinterpretations with the potential for hurt feelings and embarrassments. Facebook offers a relatively simple solution to these problems. You can create "Friend Lists" to segment your social network into groups and then give each group as much or as little, access to your personal information. "In the end, of course, technological solutions are no substitute for common sense."

Three Breeds sought for a study on OCD

The Animal Behavior Clinic at Cummings School of Veterinary Medicine at Tufts University is seeking terrier, German shepherd dogs and border collies for a study of the genetic basis of obsessive compulsive behavior, such as repetitive tail, light and shadow chasing. They will be reimburse the cost of obtaining and shipping samples. Contact: Nicole Cottam at (508) 887-4802 or nicole.cottam@tufts.edu [For more info read Your Dog, Oct'10]

Stress Travels Down the Lead:

"The problem most people have is getting in the way of their own thinking.....(p30)
"By understanding how to recognize stress signals in your dog and how to manage your own stress, as well as the effects of negative association, you and your dog are sure to be a winning team" says Terry Long in Nov '10's Dog World (p33)

Important Information: Hypoglycemia or low blood sugar

Young toy puppies are prone to hypoglycemia because they don't eat often enough or use a lot of energy from play, being stressed or chilled. When they become abnormally sleepy, weak and uncoordinated, they may not eat even when food is offered. The condition can then progress to the point where the puppy has seizures, loses consciousness and dies. The risk is most high between 6-12 weeks of age but the threat remains up to 7 months or more. Keep the puppy quiet and warm and feed nutrient-dense, small bite-size food and feed him often.

Bottom line? If the puppy becomes hypoglycemic but is conscious, feed him a food high in simple sugar, such as corn syrup. If he can't eat, rub it on his gums but don't try to force it down his throat. If the corn syrup works, he should be better within minutes. If he is better, feed him a small, high-protein meal such as a meat-based baby food. If corn syrup doesn't work, try again, and rush him to the vet.

An important fact that many might not think of. In cold weather, a toy breed will burn many more calories maintaining body heat than a large breed and so must eat even more calorie-dense foods. Higher fat content could provide these extra calories. If your toy is having dental problems, you may need to feed canned food or a small kibble he can swallow whole. [For info See Nutrition by Caroline Coile, Ph.D., March 2010 Gazette, p 24-255.]

Education: Socialization Secrets

Shyness issues tend to be a lifetime commitment. "With the right techniques, dogs can overcome tendencies toward shy reactions around people they don't know." says award-winning author Peggy Swager in November 2010 AKC Gazette (p24). If your puppy hangs back when you approach the whelping box, you may need spend extra time holding and petting the puppy between the ages of 2 weeks to 18 weeks.

Shyer dogs may have a tolerance limit in larger groups of people and may need to be removed in order not to be overwhelmed but exposure to varied situations is important. Make sure any stranger who touches the shy dog is calm, soothing, and unhurried. This is especially important when teaching the dog to stack on the table in confirmation.

Important Information: Signs of Stress in Dogs

- Averting eyes from the handler
- Avoiding the handler and her hands
- Diarrhea
- Dilated eyes
- Excessive scratching
- Excessive shedding
- Flinching
- Frenetic speeding up ("the zoomies")
- Inability to learn new behaviors
- Increased respiration
- Increased startle response
- Lip licking
- Moving slowly
- Muscle tension; tucking the body in close (tail under, butt tucked)
- Scanning the environment
- Slow or no response to cues
- Sniffing
- Sweating (from the paw pads)
- Yawning

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Upcoming Events . . .

May 26th through the 30th is going to be quite a weekend so be sure to put it on your calendars!!! Between the two 2011 PCT Specials on May 26th, the club is planning a get together at the Bauer's RV where there will be food and drinks available. On the shows the following days, there will be supported entries for Papillons at every show.

There is a planned meeting in the Tulsa area for some time in February, the time to be announced later.

On The Road: Another successful Christmas Pot Luck

The Christmas Pot Luck social at Don Colvard's house was definitely a real success. The Dirty Santa exchange became a bit riotous and had everyone laughing. The food and conversation were a lot of fun and Katherine was able to get most of the trophy list filled. The group voted for Don to give next years party and to include award's dinner for those who earn titles during the year. Don C. sure can throw a good party!!!



Shirley Hall shows off her doggie win. Talk about hard competition!



Don Bauer and Don Colvard discussing future plans for PCT get togethers during the club meeting.



Danae Fayard's puppy entertains Pierre Auger while Yolanda & Ed Lamb with their papillon Bogey.



The Bauer's brought Ragge who entertained guest, Chuck Iliff (below)



Don Colvard brings in his two newest puppies for socialization time.



Group picture:
(right to left top)
Katherine Auger,
Shirley Hall, Danae
Fayard, Don Bauer,
Don Colvard, Marilyn
Garner-Illiff, Mary
Hakel, and (seated)
Marilyn Bauer, Pierre
Auger with Ragge,
and guests, Yolanda
and Ed Lamb with
Bogey.