

The Cavalier King Charles Spaniel Club of Canberra is pleased to advise that we will be conducting an Eye Clinic on 24 and 25 April.

On behalf of the Committee, I would like to take this opportunity to thank Club member, Peter Johnston. Without Peter's tireless efforts over many many months this clinic would not have happened. Well done Peter!

Full details of the Clinic follow:

The Cavalier King Charles Spaniel Club of Canberra has organised an Eye Clinic over the **“ANZAC Cluster of Championship Shows in Canberra”** ie Saturday & Sunday, 24 & 25th April (for full show schedules please refer to Dogs ACT website www.dogsact.org.au or Dogs NSW Gazette - February Edition).

The Clinic will be conducted by Dr. Bruce Robertson, and his release is hereby appended:-

"BREED EYE CERTIFICATION at the Canberra All Breeds/Specialty Show Weekend 24th & 25th April 2010.

Dr Bruce Robertson (ACES Chief Panellist) will conduct an Eye Clinic for All Breeds at the Saturday All Breeds & Group Shows & the Sunday Group & Breed Shows (with a finish time Sunday no later than 4.00 pm).

Eye examinations will be conducted under the ACES Rules & a certificate will be able to be issued on the day, provided all the owner supplied information is complete & accurate. There is NO provision for an adult eye exam (or litter screening exercise) to be conducted ***without the issuing of a certificate***, so that the results can be added to the annual ACES national breed statistics.

A darkened room will be set aside by the organization holding each Show with a Secretary ready to supervise form completion.

Certification for all dogs 12 weeks or over will be issued on an **Adult ACES form**. The owner or agent must ensure registration details (incl. DOB & full Reg. No.) as well as the Microchip Number are correctly entered on the day, or the certificate cannot be issued. All dogs will be scanned on the day for the embedded microchip number, as part of essential cross checking.

In breeds where this is appropriate, a **Litter Assessment** will be possible, but at a scheduled appointment time please. All dogs undergoing an eye exam (including Litters) will be examined one by one, both ***before & after the installation of dilating drops***.

Pupil dilation is temporary & perfectly safe. Owners should take care to ***allow 12 hours*** for pupil mobility to return to normal, if the dog is to be shown on the same day or early the following day.

Once the examination has been completed and the report signed off by the examining panellist, please make sure that you retain only the white copy – the yellow & blue copies need to be retained by the examiner as part of the record keeping process.

Costs for ACES Certification at a multi breed event are as follows:

All adults \$60 each (all inclusive) in cash preferably or on Visa or Mastercard – no EFTPOS facility will be available.

Litters undergoing assessment before 12 weeks will be charged at a flat rate of \$40 per pup for up to 6 puppies. Prior arrangements need to be made for larger breed litters. Of course this includes the ACES Form.

Please do not ask for multiple discounts as the aim is to spread the benefits evenly across all participants. Out of the charges, set-up costs will be paid for the use of the exam room and also a donation for the help of the receptionist on each day.

Please help the ACES examination system work smoothly – make sure you bring all the necessary records with you.

For specific enquiries or for set time bookings – please call Dr. Bruce Robertson 2 weeks prior to the event on 0411 882 210”.

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Please note Bruce’s comments re “**pupil dilation**” when planning your preferred times. We suggest if you have any dogs **not being** shown on the Saturday, book them in early, then as you assume you will finish, plan to have your examinations done then. If you are showing early the next day (Sunday) get them done soon as finished, or as possible, on the Saturday.

Also please note his request for litters etc, to contact him direct. We do ask though that you advise us of any litters he is doing, just so we know what is coming through.

So bring your cash (preferably) Visa or Mastercard and your microchip & ANKC registration papers.

Bruce would like to make this an annual event with this show, if it goes OK that would be great, to know well in advance of a clinic would be just so convenient for us all, likewise any hiccups this year would (hopefully) not be repeated.

If you don’t have email, you can phone Peter or Margaret on 02 62424339 (ah) to book in (don’t forget, litters to Bruce first) or email us on annette.johnston8@bigpond.com.au or charturese47@yahoo.com.au.

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