

# Our June meeting is a barbecue!



**When:** Wednesday, June 9, 2004

**Time:** 7:00 p.m. (or as soon as you can get there)

**Where:** Marymoor Park, Wilmoor Meadows (where our last show was)

**What to Bring:** A side dish! SAM will provide drinks and meat.

**Program:** Dee Carlson will present a program on dog aggression.

**RSVP:** PLEASE RSVP to Jan Leikam at 425 485 7277 so she knows how much "protein" to buy!

## ArborField Has a “Field” Day! By Karin Cartwright

Field Spaniel 'Caper' (Waterfield Mad About You) finished her Canadian CH. She has kept the family tradition intact by earning all her points with group placements and is the first Field Spaniel female to do so. (To date, three Fields have finished in this manner-all are dogs owned and shown by me.)

I received confirmation that Caper was #1 Field in Canada for 2003 and her granddaughter 'Becca' (Arborfield The Beach Is Back) was #4.

The English Springer Spaniel that I handled, Sterling— (Darkover Moonlight On The Water), finished his AM CH with a third major at Peninsula Dog Fanciers. He had been sitting on 14 points since last summer so it was almost more of a relief that he finished! :)

The family was off to the Field Spaniel national specialty in Denver CO in early April where we had a really great time in spite of the weird weather (snow, hail, wind, rain, hot and sunny....). Baylor (Arborfield Flashback) won his 9-12 sweeps class and 2nd in the regular class; Spencer (Arborfield Back Atcha) was 2nd in BBE; Token (Arborfield Eclipse Of The Heart) was 2nd in BBE; then Pippi (Quibble's Menippe) won 1st in open bitch and WB to finish her CH! This was very special to me since I bred Pippi's mother and Pippi was a puppy back in exchange. What made this even more special is that Pippi was bred in Finland and that she has an undocked tail. She is the first imported Field to win WB at our national, the first longtailed Field to win WB at our national, and is the first Field Spaniel Finnish import to finish her CH (hey-she's the \*only\* Finnish import, but still very special!)

Not to be left out of the action, Caper won BOS. This was Caper's third national specialty BOS (a breed record) and her fourth specialty appearance (she earned a Judge's

Award Of Merit the other specialty appearance). To keep this in perspective, Caper is mother, grandmother and great-grandmother to all of the above mentioned dogs.

I am very proud of my dogs and how they did this year. OK, so I wasn't too proud of Becca when she behaved like she had never been to a dog show. Sweeps judge Pat Wilaby seemed to like her a lot and asked me "You WILL be able to get her tail up at some point, right???" Uh....no. sorry, but she was having a BAAAAAAD week so we took our fourth out of four and pulled from the regular class that day. Oh well, you can't win them all. And Pat? Her tail's happy again! :)

Karin and the ArborFields



*Karin & Caper*



*Karin & Pippi*



*The Sammamish Kennel Club dog show assembly, held at Kellogg Middle School on Monday, May 10, was featured on the Shoreline School District Web site!*

*For photos of the dog show and the thank you card sent by Kellogg, please see page 3.*