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dramatic improvement to the movement of a dog with basically good structure but who is slack and soft in muscle tone.

And last but not least the dog's temperament and attitude and training. You can have the best constructed and best conditioned Cavalier but if the dog doesn't want to move with drive and enthusiasm, its virtues will never be revealed to the judge in the show ring. Some wonderful dogs drive their owners to distraction through active or passive non co operation (I speak from experience here) while others show with flair and joie de vivre, demonstrating glorious easy ground covering and true movement. You know they will show this just as easily in parks and gardens as in the ring. Watching our Cavaliers move with joy and animation, forms a great part of the pleasure we derive from our dogs.

It is surely our responsibility to breed and develop the WHOLE Cavalier; the meltingly beautiful expression, the amenable loving temperament, the silky coated beauty but also one who can live a long and active life free from pain and discomfort because of its correct conformation and ease of movement...

Jeanie Montford



Close movement behind

