



The Nine O'clock Bark

the Newsletter of the
SMOKY MOUNTAINS BULLDOG CLUB

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*Smoky Mountains Bulldog Club
We are still active and are planning
Some events for the Spring*

Spring Events

Performance Bulldogs Several club members have been working with their Bullies to earn AKC Performance titles such as Canine Good Citizen Advanced, Rally, Trick Dog, Barn Hunt and Farm Dog. We are hoping to have Ashley Richardson Training Director for the Oak Ridge Kennel Club to speak to us about performance sports and have members Ashley Miller and Debbie Murmylo show us what our Bullies can do. We are planning a date late in March. An email announcement will go out as soon as we have a day and place—so watch for our event notice.

Easter Parade of Pups Let's celebrate Easter and the coming of Spring with a Bullie Easter parade and contest! We are working on a Sunday afternoon date so we can have a picnic and Easter parade, possibly at the ORKC facility. All Bullies will be welcome with or without costumes and we will especially welcome any of our Bulbadors (see page 2). Modest entry fees will help support the Club and there will be prizes for the best costume, the best duet (two dogs or handler and dog) and some other fun categories. Bullies in decorated strollers are also welcome.

As soon as we have dates firmed up we will send around email notices and publish info on our FB page.

Welcome !

Over the Holidays and into January and February we welcomed twelve new families into our Club and Rescue
They are

The Farmer family and Hulk
The Barnett family and Patch
The Jandrew family and Beans
The Culpepper family and Kain
The McAdams family and Queen Elizabeth
Shane Hamilton and Winston
The Helton family and Maverick

Bonnie's Puppies :

Alvia Reyes and Eric
The Gillenwater family and Kelso aka Midnight
The Pyles family and Fez aka Buford
The Frezell family and Hyde
Emily Williams and Jackie aka Sage

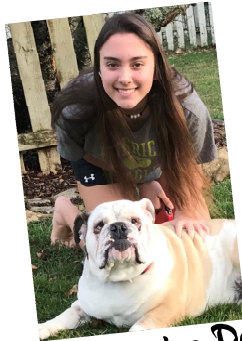


WELCOME NEW RESCUE FAMILIES

Over the holidays and into January, Rescue welcomed Twelve Bullies into loving, forever homes!!



Beans



Maverick aka Doc



Kain aka Clouseau



Hulk



Queen Elizabeth



Patch



Winston

Meet the "Bulbadors"!

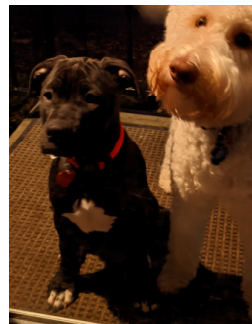
These sweet babies are the puppies we rescued along with their Momma Bonnie in October. All have gone to new homes except Donna. We are guessing that they are part Bulldog and part (mostly) Labrador.



Eric



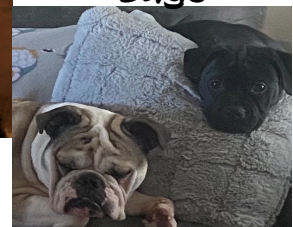
Buford



Hyde



Midnight Sage





Cocoa Bean—the sweet Life

Koko or Cocoa Bean as she came to be named, came into rescue from the Humane Society of the Tennessee Valley where she was surrendered by a breeder. She was a sweet girl, very affectionate and gentle and quickly caught the eye of Chad Cardwell in Memphis and was soon adopted. Timing could not have been more perfect! Koko was THE Christmas package delivered by Jim and Cissy when they went to Memphis for Christmas! Cocoa Bean as Chad re-named her, had a wonderful life as evidenced by the many

photos that Chad sent. While their time together was delightful it was all too short. In September last year we received this message from Chad: *"With great sadness, I write to inform you that Cocoa Bean passed away of heart failure Friday afternoon while at the vet addressing a tumor near her aorta".*



SMBC Newsletter Health Column – March 2022 Dealing with Dog Slime

Your Bullie just took a big drink of water, and the bowl is suddenly full of a slimy substance the consistency of pudding. We affectionately call this dog slime. Even if your Bullie is not a first-class slimer, rub your finger along the inside of the water bowl, and you'll feel a slimy goo.

The "technical" name for this stuff is biofilm. It contains many types of bacteria in a thick substance that acts like glue to hold bacteria together and make it stick to a surface. These bacteria are a double-edged sword. They contain good and bad bacteria. On the bad side – they have been found to be associated with urinary tract infections, middle-ear infections, and bladder infections.

This means that it is important not to just refill your Bullie's water bowl each time it is emptied. Instead, rinse it well before filling it again, and wash it on a hot cycle in the dishwasher at least once a week.

That's why metal bowls for food and water are the best choice.

By taking a few minutes to keep your Bullie's food and water dishes clean, you will avoid a lot of bacteria-borne illnesses and help keep them happy and healthy

Judee Shuler,

Kendee Bulldogs

**Board meeting minutes Jan. 14, 2022, via Zoom
Regular Board meeting (Quorum=4 board members)**

Members Present: Tanya, Suzan, Mari, Joleen, Denise, Lisa

Report of the Secretary Sent out many acknowledgments for the donations to Rescue this quarter.

Report of the Treasurer. Suzan reported that our bank ,now Truist is charging outrageous monthly rates and we should look into another bank, Y-12 was suggested. Joleen made a motion that Suzan look into changing our account to another bank. Lisa seconded. Motion carried.

Report of Committees

Show Since we are most likely not having a show this fall as we learn what is expected of our Club for the Nationals we can discuss under this heading. We will depend on Ashley Miller to keep us updated.

Rescue (see Excel file). Adopted in December: Waffles and Patch. Gucci is with the Stroups (had cherry eye repair at Lakeway). Hulk in line to be adopted by a family in Marion, VA on Saturday, currently he is being fostered by the Williams family. We are still working with Chubb. He is currently being boarded at Northshore. We think his major problem is hearing loss. I want to get him evaluated for that, but he has ear infection which needs to be cleared up before a hearing test can be done. Eliza is still with us—had her placed two times and she was returned because of cats and problem with housebreaking. I

am going to approach Tami and see if she might foster Eliza. Bonnie and the puppies are still in the care of Paul and Casey Applebaum in Kingsport. They have done a wonderful job with the puppies –crate training and socialization. I have found homes for four of the puppies. I made an executive decision, and we are asking \$300 for each puppy. They will be spayed/ neutered on Jan27th and then I will be arranging to get them to their new homes. Three need to come to Knoxville and one to VA. Bonnie will be spayed and have an entropion repaired on the 20th. She is posted on the FB page and the BCARN site.

Programs Checking with Ashley Richardson to do a program on training and performance sports for Bulldogs. Will try to set a date in Feb. Do we want to think about a Yoga with the Bullies maybe in April??? If general conditions are favorable? Mari will contact Ashley Richardson about a date and use of the ORKC facility. We also discussed using the ET K-9 center if ORKC was not available.

Fundraising Over the holidays we received over 5K in donations. We need to find some way to build the Club treasury while making clear the proceeds will not go to rescue but to the club treasury. Joleen suggested that we have an Easter Parade and “Dog Show”. Charge an entry fee and award “trophies” and prizes. Possible use the K-9 facility. Try for April 3 or 10.

Old Business –

New Business—

Next Meeting March 10 at 7 pm via Zoom
Respectfully submitted,
Mari DeCuir, Secretary



Ashley and “Tildy”
Are continuing
Their winning
Both in Confirmation and
Performance Sports

Clemson KC
January 8 & 9 2022

**SureShot Harmonix Dancing In
The Shadows CGC TKI VHMP**

Canine Good Citizen
Trick Dog Intermediate
Versatile Home Manners Puppy

