



The Nine O'clock Bark

the Newsletter of the
SMOKY MOUNTAINS BULLDOG CLUB

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The next gathering of the Smoky Mountains Bulldog Club

Will be Sunday Oct 2 2 to 5 pm

Oak Ridge Kennel Club facility

1790 Oak Ridge Turnpike (Hwy 95)

SAVE THE DATE !!!
SUNDAY OCTOBER 2
2 to 5 pm

A Bulldog PICNIC

Oak Ridge Kennel Club Training Facility
1790 Oak Ridge Turnpike (Hwy 95)
BULLDOGS ARE WELCOME



Indoors
Air conditioned

BRING A DISH TO SHARE

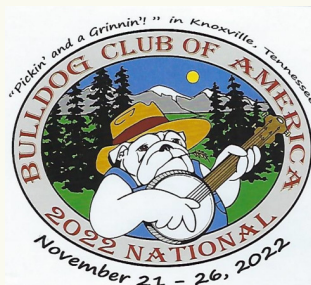
THERE WILL BE DOOR PRIZES AND
"WHITE ELEPHANT BINGO"

More Upcoming Events! Save the dates NOW

Oct 1 and 2 Oak Ridge Kennel Club All Breed shows. Two days of beautiful AKC dogs showing off their best. East Tennessee Agriculture Exposition Center, Harriman, TN Rings times for Bullies is usually early AM.
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October 23 UT Gardens. 1 -5 pm Time to dress your Bullies in their best costumes and enjoy an afternoon of fun. SMBC will have a booth.



Bulldog Club of America Nationals Nov 21-26

Nationals are just around the corner. Our club will have a table near all the festivities. We will need club members to be ambassadors for our club and help us with merchandise sales and hospitality. Remember it is Thanksgiving week so plan accordingly.



Welcome New Rescue Families

Demi and the Barnett Family

Back in April we sent out an emergency request for help for this girl. She was



rescued from a very bad situation by a good Samaritan. Demi had been used for breeding, kept in a crate filthy with her own feces and urine which caused sores on her paws and legs to develop, she had both entropion and cherry eye and consequently had very impaired vision. Amber, the Good Samaritan got her to the vet, treated her for the sores and fungus, hookworms, got her spayed and had her entropion and cherry eye repaired. After the surgeries Demi has become agitated (wearing the cone didn't help) and

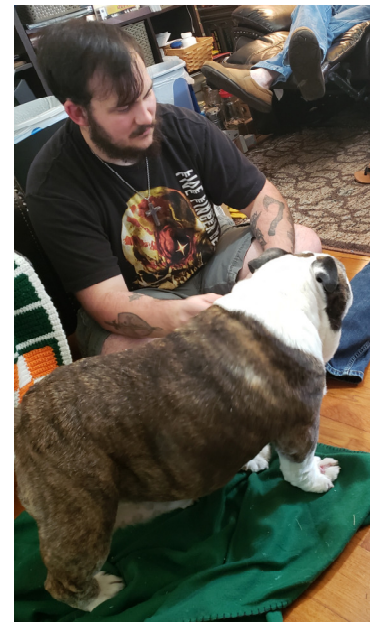


managed to pull out some of her facial stitches. We needed someone to provide a home for her that was quiet and structured. Amy Barnett and her family stepped up and answered our prayer for help. Demi thrived in their care and had a successful second cherry eye surgery.

Trixie and the Keith Family



Trixie came into rescue from a local shelter where she was surrendered after her owner died. Trixie was quite the sweet girl, eleven years young and while a bit slow moving she was active and engaged in her surroundings. Her story tugged at the heart of Elizabeth Keith and her family who wanted to give a senior the best of her remaining years. The Keith family had experience with Bul- lies and were ready to care for a senior's needs.



**SPECIAL THANKS TO KRISTI ATCHLEY BUCHHOLZ
WHO SPONSORED TRIXIE
DURING HER STAY AT CENTRAL VET.**



*Big Shout Out
to*

*Tito's Handmade Vodka
For their fabulous donation
to our rescue*





Saffy — the best smile

Saffy who needed to be an only dog, came to us along with her sister Sage . She was fostered by Darren Stanford who then adopted her. He kept us up to date with her activities and socialization:

“ She & I have a great routine where I take her for walks at the Marina in Oak Ridge so she gets to see new people & dogs all the time, plus a neighbor's cat comes into my house nearly daily to visit her so she's got plenty of social activity already I've loved every dog I've had the honor of sharing my home with, but I have NEVER loved a dog as much as

Saffy. She was the first female dog in my life, and I admit I was a bit intimidated. How foolish I was! She was the sweetest, kindest, most loving animal I have ever known. I still remember the day I first met her when I picked her up from Central Veterinary Hospital. Remembering her smiling face from that first day still makes me tear up. She was just such a beautiful soul. She began to decline about a year ago. Her eyes began to go and I began more aggressive medication. It seemed to slow things down, but she eventually lost most of her sight. None of that mattered as I was happy to organize my life around making her comfortable. She had some more health issues over the past year, but I prefer to focus on the good memories. She never showed any signs of pain, but she became very ill in late March, and she crossed over the Rain-



bow Bridge on the 7th of April.”

SPECIAL THANKS TO LINDA PETERS SPOMPSKI
FOR HER MEMEORIAL DONATION
HONORING HONARY SMBC BULLIE
JONATHAN AND KATIE BORSODI'S
ATHOS
(THE LAST OF THE “A” TEAM)



**BUTTERMILK
SKY
PIE★SHOP**



September is Spiced Apple Custard pie month!

Pie it Forward !

**During the month of September
the Turkey Creek Buttermilk Sky Pie Shop
Will donate a portion of the proceeds from the sale
of every Spiced Apple Custard pie
to our Rescue**



Treat yourself to a pie tonight !!

Shop is located at 11525 Parkside Dr, Knoxville, TN 37934

Healthy and Happy Bulldogs—tips and advice from Judee

SMBC Newsletter Health Column – September 2022

Why You Shouldn't Miss the Bulldog Club of America 2022 National Specialty Week in Knoxville

In late November, about 300 Bulldogs will converge upon Knoxville for the Bulldog Club of America 2022 National Specialty Week. Since this is a health column, you may ask, "What does this have to do with the health of the breed?" The answer is, "A lot."

The week will consist of the biggest conformation specialty shows in the country for Bulldogs. It will attract the finest examples of the breed, not only from throughout the U.S., but also from Mexico, Central and South America, and Canada. This is a chance to see THE top dogs in the flesh.

In our efforts to win dog shows and collect points toward championship titles, we may forget why conformation dog shows were originally organized – to obtain objective assessments of the quality of the breeding stock. In other words, which are the healthiest specimens of the breed based on their structure, movement and temperament. During Nationals week, you'll also see Bulldogs performing in rally, obedience and trick dog competitions.

Many of the most knowledgeable and dedicated breeders of Bulldogs will be gathered and happy to share their hard-won know-how. Rarely will you find so much experience in one room!

This event is held in a different region and location every year, so I urge you to take advantage of this unique – and free – opportunity. More information about National Specialty Week is available at bulldognationals.org. I hope to see you there.

Judee Shuler

Kendee Bulldogs

Board meeting Minutes July 14, 2022 via Zoom Regular Board meeting (Quorum=4 board members)

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

Call to Order: 7:13 pm

Report of the Secretary Admitted three new members from Tri-cities area. Two were sponsored by Ashley Miller and one by Mari DeCuir. Deposited their dues in the Main account

Report of the Treasurer. Insurance report. Suzan has gotten us insurance through Carriage Hill Insurance in Lenoir City. Payment came from the Saving account. Suzan circulated the TR for June and noted that some PP deposits went to the Club account and she moved them to the Rescue account.

Report of Committees

Show Has Nikki been able to get donations and assemble items to donate to Music City for their raffle for the nationals? Nikki was not at the meeting so no report but Denise volunteered to take the list and work on getting the supplies. Waiting to hear from the nationals committee about what they need from us.

Rescue (see Excel file). Placed the four dogs we had in care in May: Beans, Cosmo, Gingin and Hemi. Placed Kilo. Eddie Vedder is still in foster care with Nikki. Will be seen by Dr. Blackford on the 14th. We are getting a new rescue BellaRose from NC. She is HW positive and will need cherry eye surgery. As soon as I have more information she will be posted with a donate button on the FB page. No active rescue in June.

Programs Have not heard back from Ashley Richardson at

ORKC about program.

Joleen volunteered to check with the Red Cross and see if they do programs on First Aid for dogs and/or Disaster Preparedness for Dogs. Lisa mentioned Chain Free Knoxville as a new organization that builds shelters for dogs to get them off chairs. They might also be a good program for us.

We set a date for a Fall picnic Oct 2 for picnic and bingo for the club. Joleen has the bingo equipment and Mari has items to use as prizes. Mari will announce the date for the picnic in the upcoming newsletter.

Fundraising Mari did a search of city/county parks looking for a suitable place to do another Yoga program. Why not use the ORKC facility? It is AC and allows dogs. Big enough for many participants. Only drawback is it is in Oak Ridge. Lisa felt that OR was too far away for the folks who would be interested in coming. She will try to see if we can schedule Long Run again for another Yoga session.

Nikki did send a note she has contacted Buttermilk Sky and is waiting to hear back. Tito's vodka sent a link to be filled out to ask for donations. Mari will coordinate with Nikki to send in a request

Old Business –

New Business—

Next Meeting Sept. 15 @ 7 pm via Zoom

Meeting Adjourned 7:45 pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Mari DeCuir

Time to Form a Nominating Committee for Officers for 2021

During the month of September the Board shall elect a Nominating Committee consisting of three (3) members and two (2) alternates, not more than one of whom may be a member of the Board. The Secretary shall immediately notify the committeemen and alternates of their selection. The Board shall name a Chairman for the committee and it shall be such person's duty to call a committee meeting to be held on or before October 1.