



The Nine O'clock Bark

the Newsletter of the
SMOKY MOUNTAINS BULLDOG CLUB

On the web at: <http://smbcarn.org/>

*The next gatherings of the
Smoky Mountains Bulldog club will be
Sunday October 17
And
Sunday October 24*



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October 17th Rescue Fund Raiser at Cycle Bar

We're excited to announce another fun charity ride with

**CycleBar Bearden.
5444 Homberg Dr.**

Mark your calendars for
Sunday, Oct. 17th at 2:00 pm
So be sure to like and follow our
Facebook page (Smoky Mountains Bulldog Rescue)
so you don't miss your chance at reserving a bike!
This event went on a waitlist last time

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Sunday October 24 UT Gardens Howl-o-ween. 1 to 5 pm. Howl-O-Ween Pooch Parade and Pet Expo, a fun Halloween-themed event sponsored by the UT Gardens and the College of Veterinary Medicine. This fun event with a spooky twist will include a judged costume parade with prizes, an expo of educational booths, pet businesses, and rescue groups, food trucks and more. There will be a pet food drive to benefit Knox Paws and Feed-A-Pet. Event is free and open to the public but there is a fee to enter the costume contest. **SMBC** will have a designated space with information on our breed, our club and our rescue program. **Come and help us tell everyone about our club, rescue and the joys of owning a Bulldog!**

For more information <https://ag.tennessee.edu/utg/Pages/howloween.aspx>

SHOW NEWS

Several of our club members have had some BIG wins in the show ring recently.



CHANCE

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Ken Dudley and Julee Shuler's Champion is closing in on his Grand Championship!
 In Fletcher, NC Chance earned Grand championship points and a Group 2 owner handler
 In Fisherville, VA Chance went Select, BOS and two BOB and BOB Owner Handler and a Owner Handler Group 3.
 Chance is now one point away from his Grand championship!



Kendee's Mysterious Haldor (Hal)
 Went BOB
 For a Major Win Sept 25th
 Chattanooga Kennel Club



HAL

Ashley and Adam Miller have been busy this summer adding points toward their "puppies" championships, SureShot Harmonix Don't Stop Me Now **Freddie** is pictured below at the Cincinnati Bulldog Club going BOW and Winner's Dog under Judge John Lancaster. Freddie also went Reserve Winners Dog to a major and Best Puppy under Mr. Stan Aspey at the Kentuckiana Bulldog Club specialty



SureShot Harmonix Dancing In The Shadows **'Tildy'**
 Showing off her Canine Good Citizen ribbon



TILDY



FREDDIE



BEST OF WINNERS
 WINNERS DOG
 CINCINNATI BULLDOG CLUB
 SEPTEMBER 11, 2021 P.M.

OUR NOVEMBER EVENT !

Our very own SMBC SPECIALTIES

In conjunction with Tennessee Valley Kennel Club Shows at Chilhowee Park 3301 East Magnolia, Knoxville,
 Saturday and Sunday Nov 6 and 7

Come support our club members who will be showing their beautiful Bullies!

Admission is Free, ring times will be announced on our FB page and website after Oct. 20th

Healthy and Happy Bulldogs—tips and advice from Judee

Bulldogs in Motion

Sometimes the best way to explain a concept is not with words, but with pictures – and better yet – with video. I was browsing through the Bulldog Club of America (BCA) web site recently and noticed that it contains a great selection of videos. When you have a moment, check out the BCA YouTube channel. Here's a short list of some of the videos you will find:

- Coursing Bulldogs
- Bulldogs Swimming
- Bulldogs in Performance Events
- Bulldogs 101
- The Bulldog Standard
- Facts about the Bulldog Club of America

They are great educational tools, and some of them are real eye-openers of what Bulldogs are capable of doing, when they CHOOSE not to be couch potatoes.

Here is the link <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC1vwq7XqCtL5AdGfyy7dnA/videos>

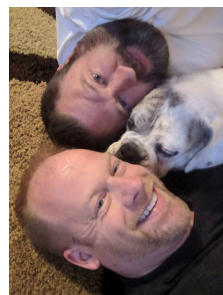
Judee Shuler, Kendee Bulldogs



Oliver (Mac) Brought back to Life with love

Mac was a senior stray turned into the Athens shelter. We were told that he was not eating, lethargic and depressed. He needed some vet care but after that he found his forever home with John Wallace and Eldon Yuille. Mac now renamed Oliver went from depressed and lethargic to a second puppyhood under their loving care. We have a video of Oliver in the living room zooming after a toy. Obviously his best years were with John and Eldon. *“Oliver Mack is doing great.....I do think maybe he is used to being around other dogs and kids....he gets so happy when other dogs are around and when other people, especially children, come to play with him.....”* He went to doggie day care, came to our fund raiser in 2018 in his very own stroller and shared plenty of cuddle time with his family. We were saddened when We received this message: *“Oliver crossed the Rainbow Bridge this evening around 5 pm -- we made the most out of the last several*

weeks with him and today we had to make that dreaded decision....when a Bulldog doesn't want to eat, you know it's time... We hope he enjoyed his last years that we were lucky enough to spend with him...we tried to make sure he did, but there is never enough time....and it never is an easy call to make. He was our baby...and we will miss him so much.”



Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting July 18, 2021 in person

Members present: Nikki, Suzan, Mari, Joleen, Lisa

Called to Order: 4:25

Report of the Secretary

- Received check and Beneficiary Receipt (which needs to be notarized. Tanya will take care of that this weekend). Cannot deposit check until the receipt is in the mail. I suggested to Suzan that we take half of the bequest and put it towards next year's Insurance payment.

- I did contact Breeder support specialist with AKC. Did not hear back.

Ton of email correspondence concerning the AKC Approval for the Shows. Thanks to Suzan and Ashley for jumping through all the AKC hoops (talk about Agility!) Our show and judges have been approved.

Newsletter will feature Dixie's contribution to our club.

Also thank you to several other donors who made memorial donations

Report of the Treasurer. Treasurer's report was distributed

Report of Committees

Show

Our 2021 Specialties have been approved! Thanks To Suzan and Ashley. Ashley has volunteered to go to any cluster meeting with TVKC.

Ashley is waiting on approval form Judy Russell for the flyer advertising our shows

Ashley has generously offered to assemble the goodie bags and set up the trophy table. Club needs to provide cooler and drinks for ringside.

Ashley has gift for one of our judges, she will be getting another for the other judge.

Denise has the trophies for the ORKC supported entry. Mari will get those labeled and get them to Ken.

Rescue (see Excel file). Adopted in May and June. Moses, Dozer, Diesel Jeff, Meatball, Goofy, Waffles and Agnes. The Stroup's are fostering Gucci and will probably adopt. No other Bullies at this time.

Programs Picnic was set up for Sept. 19. Mari will contact Ken about the ORKC facility. Lisa is planning a Cyclebar event but needs to know dates for possible Central Vet and UT. Mari will check with Central Vet and UT to see if they will be having their fall event and get dates to Lisa. Mari will post in the newsletter and Lisa will post on FB page.

Fundraising

- We also discussed possible sites for a Yoga with Bullies. K-9 Center, Anytime Fitness, Abridged could be possible sites?

- Dog Costumes. Mari has been approached by a BCA member who has some lovely and very well made costumes for Bullies. She thinks we might try, not an auction, but just selling them on FB. Just put up one or two at a time so as not to overwhelm. I think they would do well especially as we get closer to Halloween.

Old Business – After the meeting is adjourned we will attempt to sort the remainder of items from the storage unit and get them out of Lisa's garage.

New Business— None

Meeting Adjourned at 5:30 pm

Next Meeting Thursday Sept 30 at 7 pm via Zoom
Respectfully submitted,
Mari DeCuir, Secretary

Nominating committee for 2022 SMBC officers and board

Committee chair: Mari DeCuir

Members Jim Lindsey, Linda Rivers, Shirlene Stroup

2022 slate of Officers will be announced

in November and we will take

additional nominations "from the floor" via email to the members.

Interested in your Bullie's DNA?

The American Kennel Club (AKC®) just announced new, enhanced DNA test kits that are now available. This new product utilizes an improved method of submitting canine DNA samples to the American Kennel Club.

Tests are routinely used for individual identification, parentage testing and certification of pedigree records. The AKC currently has a canine DNA database of nearly one million DNA profiles, the oldest and largest of its kind in the world. For more information contact dna@akc.org or call 919-816-3508. <https://www.akc.org/press-releases/american-kennel-club-introduces-enhanced-dna-test-kits/>