



The Nine O'clock Bark

the Newsletter of the
SMOKY MOUNTAINS BULLDOG CLUB

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**JUNE & JULY
2021**

Smoky Mountains Bulldog Club

We are still active ,

*just hoping most folks will soon be vaccinated so we
can once again have events.*

We miss seeing all of you!



Healthy and Happy Bulldogs—tips and advice from Judee

A Burning Issue for Your Bullies

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Nothing irks me more than seeing someone taking their dog for a walk on pavement during a hot summer's day. We've had a few days of summer-like temperatures, and there are many more ahead, so there are some precautions to take when you go out for a stroll with your Bullie.

It takes only 60 seconds on pavement that is 125 degrees Fahrenheit for your Bullie's paws to be burned. If you think that pavement will not become that hot until the temperature reaches the 90s, you are wrong. Studies have shown that asphalt temperatures can be up to 60 degree hotter than the air, when in direct sunlight with no wind and low humidity.

Any hard road or street surface, even concrete, can get too hot for your Bulldog to walk on. Studies have shown that surfaces such as artificial grass and the material used to make running tracks can heat up very quickly, as can brick, concrete and sand.

Bottomline is that you should walk your Bullies on grass and, in hot weather, walk them in the early morning before surfaces heat up or in the evening after they cool down. If you can't walk them on grass and you are not sure if it is safe to walk them on a hard exterior surface, try this test. Put your bare hand on the surface and try to hold it there for 10 seconds. If you can't, it is too hot to walk your Bulldog.

If you have walked your Bullie in hot weather, there are signs to look for to determine if their paw pads are burned. If they are holding up a foot, limping or licking their feet and if there are red spots or blisters on their paws, you will need to take action. Get your Bullie to a safe, cool place and flush their feet with cold water or apply a cold compress. Call your vet immediately.

I hope that you and your Bullies enjoy a safe summer of fun.

Judee Shuler, Kendeé Bulldogs



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Welcome

WELCOME New Rescue Families

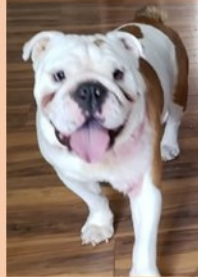
This month we welcome five new families to the joy of Bulldogs!



MEATBALL



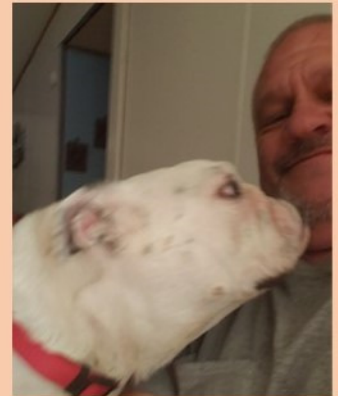
MOSES



GOOFY



DOZER



DIESEL

LOOK WHO GOT
ADOPTED IN MAY !

Meatball went from Nashville to Elkridge, MD to live with Kelly van Ochten and her family. Kelly adopted Molly from us on 2007 while she was still in Graduate school. Meatball who loves children will be a great companion for her family.

Moses, our little Miracle Man went from the vet thinking he might not make it through the first night to chasing the Rumba around the living room. He so delighted his new family the Kings that Raneé King decided to open her own pet sitting and boarding service. (See her business card on page 4).

Goofy is a young boy who was very excitable and hard to control. He was fostered by Jim Lindsey and Cissy who helped him learn some structure and manners. He was adopted by Robert Lytle who had adopted Melo from us in 2017. Officer Doofy or Goofy (as he is now called) is enjoying having a full-time person to love and who gets truck rides, lots of walks and visits to the nearby day care center to watch the children play.

Dozer is a seven year old boy who was no longer happy sharing his people with another Bulldog. He was adopted by our SMBC club member John Ogle. John loved and cared for Bulldog Rock for many years and Dozer is looking forward to the same great loving care and attention.

Diesel came to us after his owner died and he was moved around until the family found our rescue. Diesel is a very sensitive boy and did not like to even be around other dogs. He was not happy boarding at Central Vet because of all the other dogs. Fortunately William Wagner adopted him and Diesel is now in Virginia on a peaceful, small farm where he is the only dog and the center of Mr. Wagner's life.

Alum News

Baxter a recent SMBC rescue, who was adopted by Monica Mowdy, was entered in the Scott Cnty Fair and was awarded Second place in the dog show and a First place in the costume contest. Way to go Baxter and the Mowdy family!

Baxter is seen here in his award winning crown and bow tie.





Rascal—devoted to the end...

Rascal came into rescue after he was left at the vet's by an owner who could no longer care for him. The vet treated him and called us to help. Rascal spent some time with a family who had young children but as he got older we realized that he needed a less active life style. That was when he was adopted by Pat Ferguson and started life on her mini farm among the horses and goats. Rascal enjoyed giving Pat's cat a ride on his doggie bed when he wanted to sleep in it. He would drag it around until the annoyed cat got off! Then last September we received this note from Pat.



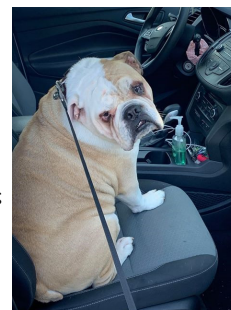
It is with pain in my heart that I lost my beloved Rascal. He crossed the Rainbow Bridge last month. He went peacefully in his sleep due to old age. I have been fighting bone cancer since February. I was very sick and in a lot of pain and Rascal never left my side except to do his business and eat. Quickly returning to lay by my feet. He loved his rides in the car. Sometimes, I would just have to ride him around the block to satisfy him. He was the most gentlest Bullie and he will stay in my heart forever. Thank you, Mari for bringing us together. He knew that this cancer is almost beat and he stayed to make sure I was strong enough to withstand losing him. You do a great service not only to the Bullies but to the people who adopt them.



Eddie —will always be with them

Eddie came into rescue after a divorce upset his life and routine. He was lovingly fostered by the Mancini family until we found a home for him with Gabby and Ben. "Eddie loves to play with his ball, play tug, take naps, go for rides, and gets really excited when he goes to see his Bubbie (grandma). He has been nothing but great and lovable since meeting him. Eddie is in his forever home and I really believe he knows that. We love Eddie and have wanted nothing but the best for him since we picked him

up. Eddie will always have his place in our home. On his 8th birthday he got a ride to MacDonal'd's for a cheeseburger. Not long after that Eddie developed several serious medical issues and Ben and Gabby made the difficult decision to help him cross over. So Eddie is longer with us as of Monday night. I just wanted to reach out to you and let you guys know. He was honestly the best dog I've ever had and we miss him so much.



No Bulldog Nationals last year, so there will be TWO in one week in November. The Nationals are a fun place to meet other Bulldog lovers and see the most Beautiful Bullies in the US.



2021 BULLDOG CLUB OF AMERICA NATIONAL SHOW

NOVEMBER 21ST -27TH, 2021
NORMAN, OK

TWO NATIONALS IN ONE WEEK!



Minutes of the Regular Board meeting. Via Zoom May 13, 2021

Members present: Tanya, Suzan, Mari, Joleen, Denise, Lisa and Ashley

Call to Order: 7:03 pm

Report of the Secretary

- Received a letter from Guton & Frere (Attorneys at Law) with a copy of Dixie's Johnson's will with a bequest to us for \$1000.00.
- Email from a Breeder Support Specialist with AKC Pet Insurance to see if we would be interested in learning more about the programs they offer. Mari will contact them and see what they actually do and if we could get a program/ event with them.
- Email from Ashley Miller concerning the 2022 BCA nationals and our 2022 shows (see show committee report)
- Email from BCA 2021 National committee requesting a donation in support of the 2020 and 2021 Nationals. Email correspondence from Ashley Miller concerning 2021 nationals raffle Basket of TN items , also request to host a breakfast at the 2022 Nationals. All of this can be discussed under show committee.

Report of the Treasurer.

Report was distributed as an attachment. The insurance bill is due \$972.87. Joleen made a motion that we divide the cost between rescue and Main. Tanya Seconded. Motion carried.

Report of Committees

Show

2021 SMBC shows. Shows will be Nov. 6 and 7. Suzan will need to contact the judges and then get started on the paperwork. We will need to reserve a block of rooms for the shows and rooms for the judges. Definitely want to find judges who can drive to the shows. Ashley has trophies from last year.

2021 ORKC supported entry. Denise has ideas for these six trophies

2020/2021 BCA Nationals. Do we want to make a donation? Assemble a TN regional basket for a raffle or do something else to support? Ashley said that she was unaware that the clubs were being asked for donations but that the Divisions were asked for donations. After discussion board decided that we should conserve our finances since we will be having the Nationals in our Division next year.

2022 BCA Nationals: We have a in person meeting set up for Sunday June 13 at Joleen's. Denise will bring her friend Jennifer and items so we can decide on supported entries trophies and look at ideas for next year's Nationals. Ashley reported that we would most likely be assessed \$1000.00 for the 2022 Nationals to be held in our Division.

Rescue (see Excel file). Adopted in March and April: Georgie, Mazee and Sassy. Georgie is HW positive so we are paying for

the treatment but I got her placed so she would have a stable, loving home during the treatment. We have been busier this month. We have Moses, Diesel, Goofy, Baxter, Meatball and Dozer. Moses foster family is going to adopt him. Baxter is with a foster family who will most likely adopt. Diesel was with the Stroup's but is back at CV because Mr. Stroup had knee surgery, Goofy is being fostered by the Lindsey's. I have a home for Meatball in MD but cannot get him there until after the gas shortage is resolved. Dozer is with his family until I can find him a new home. Expenses this month were large because of Georgie's HW treatment and Diesel's neuter and boarding (because he needs a no dog home).

Programs We will be working on starting up programs, perhaps one of Pet Insurance.

Fundraising Discussed planning another Yoga with the Bullies.

Lisa will look at possible outdoor sites in city parks— Lakeshore.

Ashley offered to check on Springbrooke Park in Alcoa and park sites in Farragut.

We also discussed indoor site—yoga room at Anytime Fitness.

CycleBar

Bootcamp with the Bullies

Old Business —none

New Business— none

Next Meeting in person to discuss trophies Sunday June 13 @ 2 pm at Joleen's

Next Board Meeting Sunday July 25 @ 4 pm at Lisa's. Need to decide what to do with the Bulldog items still being stored in Lisa's garage.

Meeting adjourned: 8:05 pm

Respectfully submitted ,

Mari DeCuir, Secretary

**Do you live in the Murfreesboro, Tn area?
Need a pet Sitter?
Renee King is one of our SMBC adopters
Give her a call. She knows Bulldogs**



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