



# The Nine O'clock Bark

the Newsletter of the  
SMOKY MOUNTAINS BULLDOG CLUB

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

*The next gathering of the  
Smoky Mountains Bulldog Club  
Will be Monday Sept 17 at 6:30 pm  
K-9 Center  
(Directions page 4)*



## SEPTEMBER

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### Animal Rescue Corps Report from Lisa Warren

Lisa Warren (better known at Tank's mom and Simba's foster mom) spent a Saturday in July at the ARC center in Lebanon, TN volunteering. She will be telling us about the experience, the dogs and other animals they are taking care of and what ARC does in situation where large numbers of animals need care after a natural disaster or a legal confiscation.

### A Message from SMBC president Ken Dudley

Hello All,

I hope everyone had a great summer. As this season comes to an end and we enter the Fall months, SMBC will be having many events -- a picnic, club gatherings, and supported entries at the Oak Ridge Kennel Club shows on Oct. 6 and 7 at the Roane State Community College Equestrian Center and at the Tennessee Valley Kennel Club shows the first weekend of November at the fairgrounds in Knoxville.

Several other important shows coming up include The Music City Bulldog Club and Division 8 specialties on October 12th, 13th and 14th in Lebanon TN, in conjunction with all-breed shows. We hope you can come out to some of these events to support our club and the breed we all love so much. This all works with your help

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### 2018 BCA NATIONALS ARE COMING UP OCT 29—NOV 3 WE NEED DONATIONS OF TENNESSEE PRODUCTS

The show chair is asking each Division to supply a basket of "products" from their region for a raffle. So we need some TENNESSEE made goodies for our part of the basket. Ken Dudley will be collecting items. Please contact him with your donations by Oct 8.  
[kendeedudley@gmail.com](mailto:kendeedudley@gmail.com) Let's do Tennessee and Division VIII proud!



## WELCOME NEW RESCUE FAMILIES



### Harley and Holly Rice

This sweet girl was rescued by a Good Samaritan in Antioch. She got her vet care and when no one claimed her she called us to find a good

home for Harley. Holly Rice had recently lost her sweet Hercules and was willing to give Harley a try. Holly reports: *"She's so smart! Very sweet and snuggly when we're home. She loves to fetch her toys and cuddle. She likes to play and laze around equally. I have to wake her up most mornings. She's an excellent snoozer!"*



### Paris and the Wilson Family

Paris came to SMBC from the shelter in Franklin County thanks to Lauren Depietro and her husband Jeff who transported her to Knoxville. Paris needed some vet care before she was ready for her new home

in North Carolina. The Wilson family was looking for a companion for their father who is being treated for a serious illness. Katlyn sent us this update: *"she loves chewing on people's shoes or feet when they are not giving her enough attention haha! Her coat is looking much better and she is now approximately 45 lbs. She gets a weekly bath and face wrinkle cleaning (sometimes two) and gets her ears cleaned as well."*



### Mo and the Ruth Family

Mo was surrendered to our rescue because the family thought she was grieving for her companion Bean. We evaluated Mo and decided that she just needed a home with lots of attention. The Ruth family were looking for a friend for their Bullie Sadie and Mo seemed to be the right fit.



### Do you have a place for Gussie in your home?



This sweet old gal is Gussie. She was found by a Good Samaritan wandering along I-75. She is probably about 10 years old. Blood work indicated that she is Heartworm positive and has a UTL. We are treating her for the UTI and will start her on Heartguard (slow kill method for HW). When she first came to us she was not walking but after some rest, food and love she is enjoying short walks outside! She does potty outside but has some accidents in her crate at the vet's. We are looking for a hospice home to give her some quality of life and to know love and tender care for the time she has remaining. Hospice care involves taking care of her on a daily basis and providing food and shelter and love. SMBCR will provide any vet care that she needs and be with her when it is time for her to cross over. If this is something that you think you would be able to do please contact Mari DeCuir (mdecur@utk.edu).



## Chumley

*My beautiful Chumley who was rescued from an illegal exotic pet breeder (along with two females) back in 2011.*

*My little buddy had undiagnosed heart disease, more specifically an enlarged heart, which started acting up a while ago. He began rapidly losing weight, we found the problem and it was managed well on meds for a number of months but all of it took a toll on his liver. So a bit over a week ago he had gotten to a point he was too weak and miserable to go on, and we had to let him go.*

*I am heart broken, and miss him so much, but I am so grateful for you and the chance to have had him in my life. I only had him for a little over six years but he made it to 11 which is a good age for a Bulldog. And he was happy*



## Buster Wayne Wiggly Bottom

*My dear sweet but some times devilish, Buster, crossed the rainbow bridge at 9:00 pm tonight from congestive heart failure. We are all heart broken. He came to live with us as a foster but we fell in love and kept him. Rest in peace my spoiled buddy. We are gonna miss you!*

*My words cannot justify what an amazing dog he truly was. My heart is broken, but I am so happy Buster is no longer sick or suffering. He would have been 6 in 3 weeks. . My life is forever changed for the better because of Buster Wayne Wiggly Bottom.*



## Chance is on his way !



**Lender's Mysterious Dealers Choice**  
 "Chance" wins his first ribbon on his initial weekend showing.  
 Reserve W/D to a Major at six months, one week old.

## Time to Form a Nominating Committee for Officers for 2019

During the month of September the Board shall elect a Nominating 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.

## MUSIC CITY BULLDOG CLUB DIVISION VIII SPECIALTIES



OCT. 12,13, AND 14, 2018

WILSON COUNTY EXPOSITION CENTER  
 945 EAST BADDOUR PARKWAY, LEBANON, TN 37087

PREMIUM LIST  
[HTTP://WWW.ONOFRIO.COM/PLIST/MCBD1PL.PDF](http://www.onofrio.com/plist/mcbd1pl.pdf)

## Interdigital Cysts

Those hairless bumps between your Bully's toes, known as interdigital cysts, look painful – and they are. Some bulldogs develop these fleshy welts that may become ulcerated sores. No one really knows what causes them but there are a lot of theories: allergies, excess weight, poor foot conformation, mites, ingrown hairs, other foreign bodies, and yeast infections. The other challenge is that no one remedy seems to be effective for all dogs, so you may have to try a few things or a combination of things to get results. If all else fails, please consult your veterinarian, particularly if your bulldog has open sores, because you may need antibiotics to prevent or treat an infection.



Long-time Bulldoggers we know recommend a number of remedies. Here's a few that you can try:

1. Soak the foot 3-4 times a day for about 10 minutes in a gallon of water mixed with a cup of Epsom salts. Gently pat the foot dry.
2. After soaking in Epsom salts, some bulldoggers recommend soaking the paw in about an inch of hydrogen peroxide. Others recommend only soaking in hydrogen peroxide, and others avoid hydrogen peroxide altogether.
3. After soaking, apply hemorrhoid ointment. Some prefer using antibiotic ointment. You may even try a bit of each.
4. Mix Nolvasan (a blue liquid disinfectant) with water and spray on the foot twice a day. You can get it online from a vet supply web site such as Lambert or KV. Alternatively, you can check with your local Tractor Supply store.

Keep a close eye on your bully's feet, because interdigital cysts tend to be easier to manage if you catch them early. If you have any concerns or questions about these "home" remedies, we encourage you to consult your veterinarian before trying them. And if you've tried another remedy that works, please let us know, and we'll share it in the newsletter.

Ken Dudley, Judee Shuler  
Kendee Bulldogs

## UPCOMING EVENTS – SAVE THE DATES !



### **SATURDAY AND SUNDAY OCT. 6 AND 7 ORKC ALL BREED SHOWS, OBEDIENCE AND RALLY**

East Tennessee Agriculture Exposition Center, Harriman, TN 37748

SMBC will have a supported entry

Two All-Breed Shows, Three Obedience Trials, & Three Rally Trials

Link to the Premium List [https://www.foytrentdogshows.com/forms/PLs/PL2018/PL\\_2018\\_Oak\\_Ridge\\_v2.pdf](https://www.foytrentdogshows.com/forms/PLs/PL2018/PL_2018_Oak_Ridge_v2.pdf)



### **SUNDAY OCT. 21 HDWL-D-WEEN UT GARDENS 1-5 PM**

This fun event with a spooky twist will include a food drive, a judged costume parade with prizes, and an expo of educational booths, dog rescue groups and businesses..



### **SUNDAY OCT 28 BARK AND BBQ AT CENTRAL VET 2-6 PM**

1212 Clinch Ave. (Fort Sanders) Knoxville, TN Costume contest, food, door prizes, For more information go to the *Central Veterinary Hospital* Facebook page.

### **SATURDAY AND SUNDAY NOV 3 AND 4 TVKC ALL BREED, OBEDIENCE AND RALLY**

All Breed Conformation Dog Show, Obedience Trial, Rally Trial

SMBC will have a supported entry

Chilhowie Park 3301 East Magnolia, Knoxville, TN Premium List available

<http://pdf.infodog.com/prm/1091/prm1091.pdf>



#### Directions to K-9 Center

**From I40 and I75** Take exit 374, turn north on Lovell Rd (131), go 0.6 mile and turn left on Gilbert Dr. Go 0.1 mile and turn left on Dalen Ln. Choose either the first or second right hand turn; each will take you directly to our building.

**From Oak Ridge** Take Pellissippi Parkway (162) to Lovell Rd exit. Turn right onto Lovell Rd, go 1.4 miles and turn right onto Gilbert Dr. Go 0.1 mile and turn left on Dalen Ln. Choose either the first or second right hand turn; each will take you directly to our building.