



The next regular meeting of the Timberline Basset Hound Club is Sunday, June 26<sup>th</sup> noon at Texas Roadhouse, 8470 E Northfield Blvd., Northfield Shopping Center, Denver. We'll be recapping the obedience/rally trials – what went wrong, what went right – and also planning early for next year if the club decides to move forward. Also will be discussing the July picnic and Specialty in September. Please RSVP so we can get enough space for everyone. All are welcome and new ideas and recommendations are always appreciated. Hope to see you there!

# TBHC Obedience/Rally Trials and blizzard in May

We were off to a shakey start for the trials. The blizzard caused major travel problems and flights were cancelled. One of our



judges could not get in so there was quite a bit of scrambling to find substitutes. When emergencies like this come up, the American Kennel Club takes a "show must go on" posture and is very good about loosening the rules and allowing non-certified judges to fill in as long as they have adequate experience in the sport. Jeanne Dietrich has a rally masters title and was able to judge rally classes one of the days. Two experienced exhibitors gave up their entries and also took on the role of judge-for-a-day. Some switching around of classes, times and somehow we were able to pull it off. There were no complaints, only compliments with best wishes and hopes that Timberline will do this again next year.

Our entry was great for these trials with strongest numbers on Friday – an expression of confidence from the obedience community for Timberline Basset Hound Cub!

From a financial standpoint and just to summarize:

entries received \$9388.00. total expenses \$9029.96 net profit \$428.05.

A detailed breakdown of all expense categories will be sent in another email but the largest expenses were for the show secretary and the one judge who was able to get to the trials with her grandson. The emergency situation caused higher expenses in some areas. We can certainly do better and at the June meeting will discuss in detail. We are getting better at this. 2022 was our 2<sup>nd</sup> all breed obedience and rally trial weekend.

## **TICKS**

Ticks can cause serious and potentially fatal diseases in dogs.

Ticks are common parasites of dogs and cats around the world. There are different types of ticks on dogs, and depending on the tick species, they can cause deadly tick paralysis or transmit other harmful and lifethreatening diseases.

As a dog owner, you need to know what to do to protect your dog against ticks, and what to do if your dog gets a tick. Take a look at how to identify ticks on dogs and what to do if you find a tick on your dog.

#### What do Dog Ticks Look Like?



Ticks on dogs tend to be about the size of an apple seed when they have not fed, and can vary in color, depending on the species. After they take a blood meal from their host, ticks become 'engorged'. When this happens, they can be as big as your little fingernail. Not all ticks look the same, and ticks tend to look different throughout their lifecycle, so if you're not sure if it's a tick, it's best to consult with your vet.

The Types of Ticks on Dogs Paralysis Ticks: Paralysis ticks are typically found in mountain areas. They are one of the most dangerous parasites that can affect your pet as they produce a toxin which causes tick paralysis in dogs and cats.

Brown dog ticks: The brown dog tick is widely distributed. Although these brown

ticks cannot cause paralysis, they can cause skin irritation and heavy infestations may result in anemia from excessive blood loss. Brown dog ticks can also transmit potentially fatal infections from one dog to another. Ehrlichia canis is one such bacteria that is transmitted by brown dog ticks.

## **How to Find Ticks on** Dogs

If you are trying to find a tick on your dog, first check for signs of itching and look at the site where your dog is scratching. Another sign your dog has a tick is if it velps or winces when patted. The tick may be causing it to feel sensitive where it has latched on.

A thorough check of your dog can also help you find ticks. Run your fingers over them, parting their fur around their neck, ears and tail. If you feel a very small bump, it could be a tick.

#### **How do Dogs Get** Ticks?

Dogs get ticks from the great outdoors. Ticks 'quest' to find a host, which includes crawling up low grass or shrubs and lying-in wait. Ticks are sensitive to heat and the carbon dioxide that your dog exhales, which alerts them that there's a suitable host nearby. When your pet pooch brushes past on a walk or while playing outside, the tick uses its front legs to grab on, then crawls over the coat and through the fur to find a suitable place to attach and feed.













#### ABOUT HEAT STROKE IN DOGS – MESSAGE FROM THE AKC

As you are aware, we are in the heat of the summer. If your area is predicted to have high heat during your events, we advise you have cooling stations available for the dogs, like ice and kiddie swimming pools.



Additionally, please be mindful of the signs of heatstroke and seek veterinary care immediately if you believe a dog is affected.



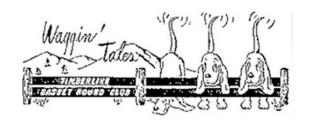
Signs of heat stroke include:

- Heavy panting
- Rapid breathing
- Excessive drooling
- Bright red gums and tongue
- Standing 4-square, posting or spreading out in an attempt to maintain balance.

If you believe a dog is suffering from heatstroke, take these steps:

- Get the dog into a cool environment right away
- Immerse the dog in cool water
- Do not use ice cold water, it can shock the dog's system.
- Use cool water in areas where blood flows heavily, i.e. the pads of their feet, the groin area, and their jugular vein.
- Cool wet towels can be used to lower the dog's body temperature

Get the dog to a vet as soon as possible. The dog may look like it is responding to the cooling techniques but could suffer internal injury. It is best to have them examined to rule out any complications.



#### **Upcoming Events**

June 26 Regular Meeting, Timberline Basset Hound Club
July 10 Annual Picnic, Park Lake picnic area, Boulder

September 9 Specialties, Timberline Basset HC, am and pm, Island Grove Park, Greeley, CO

Sept 29-Oct 7 Basset Hound Club of America Nationals, Rockford, Illinois