

July-August, 2017

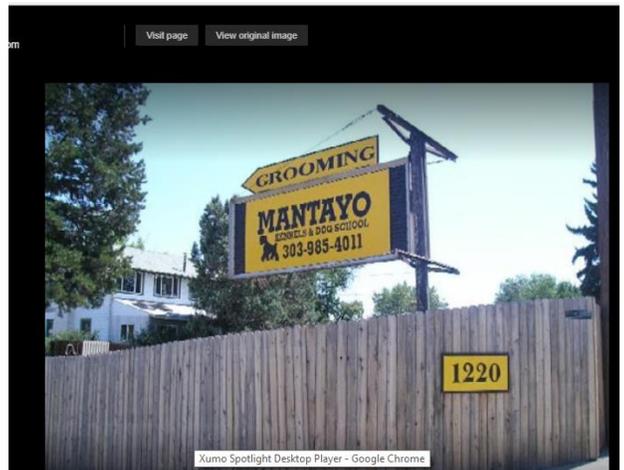
Come to the club picnic/fun day!!

We're trying something a little different this year. Its been hot and with all the moisture we've been getting there is an over abundance of mosquitos everywhere. So rather than an outdoor picnic, we're having a picnic/fun day/meeting on **Saturday, August 12, 2017 2 p.m. at Mantayo Kennels, 1220 South Wadsworth Blvd., Lakewood, CO.** The club will provide sandwich things – meat, cheese, bread, mayo, mustard, lettuce, tomatoes. Bring something to share

- Green salad
- Potato salad
- Fruit salad
- Iced tea
- Dessert
- Beer
- Wine
- Soft Drinks

Feel free to improvise if you make a specialty item that is not listed. Also bring Basset Hounds of course! Chris has arranged for us to have Mantayo just for ourselves from 2:00 to 4:30 pm. We'll have access to all the equipment – rally, agility, obedience. Those of us who are doing rally will hold our regular class at 1 p.m. so feel free to come early and watch if you're up for a good laugh - 😊

Please let Carol know if you're coming and what you're bringing – bristleconebasets@yahoo.com
Hope to see you there. This will be fun, and something different for a change!



The Annual Running of the Bassets

TBHC Agility Trial

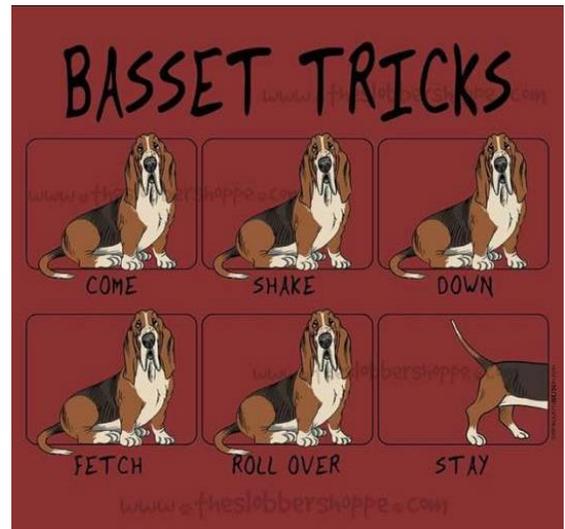


The premium list for our **September 23-24** trials at Applewood Park in Golden is out on Colorado Agility and entries open August 2. I'm attaching a copy to this newsletter. This will most likely be the last outdoor trial for Timberline as we are planning on going

indoors next year at Apex, same time frame. Agility exhibitors prefer an indoor location for many reasons - weather, footing, comfort – and having the trials outdoors has been hurting our entries. So the TBHC Board has decided to make the change. We are still teaming up with the Newfoundland Club of America – NCA doing Saturday and TBHC doing Sunday. As always we'll be needing a lot of help to make this happen. No experience necessary for many of the jobs. Susan is chairing so please contact her if you can come and help. Brant Rosten is once again judging the CGC on Sunday. Bring a chair and something for shade. Bring your Basset Hounds on Sunday! Also bring your own lunch as we won't be having a food vendor this year.



Our inaugural Basset Only rally class at Mantayo with instructor Laura - Susan and Thumper, Chris and Almondine, Carol and Abner, Mishka and Buckley, Nicole and Percy. We'll be meeting every other week on Saturday afternoon. Great fun.



UPCOMING EVENTS

August 12

TBHC Picnic and regular meeting

September 24

All Breed Agility Trial, Applewood Park

October 1-6

BHCA Nationals

November 4-5

Hunting Performance Test

BRAGS!

Nicole - Percy has earned all of the newly approved AKC trick dog titles. Novice, intermediate, advanced and trick dog performer. AKC has asked permission to use Percy's Trick Dog Performer video on their website.

BHCA OFFICIAL HEALTH POLICY
REVISED, MAY 2017



Thinking of Nationals this year in Lancaster, PA. Some are driving; some are flying. If you plan to go, please make your hotel reservations as soon as possible. Complete information is in the latest issue of *Tally Ho*.

Staying under the radar is a learned skill



BHCA Health Policy

The Basset Hound Club of America, Inc. (BHCA) is committed to improving quality of life for Basset Hounds and their owners by helping Basset Hounds live longer, healthier lives. BHCA encourages a strong commitment by breeders and owners to the reduction of genetic disorders in Basset Hounds. The club also supports and encourages research on health issues of interest to Basset Hounds (and other breeds).

In 2016, the BHCA completed a [comprehensive survey of the health of Basset Hounds](#), based on data on more than 7,500 dogs. This policy is based on the results of that survey.

Two genetic disorders identified by the survey were **glaucoma** and Basset Hound **thrombopathia** (a platelet disorder), although this latter disorder seems to have fallen to a low level of incidence in the breed, likely as a result of the blood test that has been available for several years.

BHCA encourages responsible breeding through screening for the more common genetic disorders known to affect Basset Hounds where such screening is justified by evidence-based, validated scientific research. BHCA has identified two conditions that merit attention:

1. **Thrombopathia** genetic testing is available through Dr. P.W. Christopherson's laboratory at Auburn University College of Veterinary Medicine. ([Click here for a PDF on submitting a blood sample for testing.](#)) This test is determinative for the genetic status of the dog (i.e., clear, carrier, affected). Breeding must be avoided if both sire and dam are either affected or carriers. Breeders and owners who have had dogs tested through that laboratory should disclose their dog's results. The genetic status of the sire and dam must be known prior to undertaking a breeding, whether by examining proof of genetic testing, by consulting the database at Auburn University, or in the absence of these proofs, by testing.
2. The BHCA has supported research on **glaucoma**. There has been progress but, to date, there is neither a determinative [genetic test](#), nor are there diagnostic tests that are able to reliably predict the onset of this disease. As an alternative, the BHCA recommends that breeders and owners seek OFA Eye Certification (formerly the Canine Eye [Registration](#) Foundation, CERF), where appropriate or desired. However, it is not diagnostic for glaucoma in the Basset Hound. If, as a result of the OFA Eye Examination, glaucoma is suspected, a more comprehensive diagnostic regimen should be recommended by the examining veterinary [ophthalmologist](#).

Breeders have a responsibility to research and understand genetics and common breed health problems. BHCA strongly discourages the use in a breeding program of any Basset Hound known to be affected by any genetic disorder. Breeders are strongly encouraged to: (a) record and [register](#) the results of any health-related testing in the Canine Health Information Center (CHIC) Database, <http://www.caninehealthinfo.org/>; b) allow

disclosure of thrombopathia genetic testing results either maintained in the Auburn University Basset Hound Thrombopathia Testing database or by providing proof of testing to interested parties, (c) exchange screening results when planning matings; and (d) discuss breed health issues with puppy buyers, providing full disclosure on puppies offered for sale.

Conditions that breeders may want to evaluate when planning a breeding include any history in the bloodlines of hip or elbow dysplasia or ununited anconeal process and any history of temperament issues. If these are present, then appropriate tests would include:

- For screening for **joint/skeletal disorders**: radiographs (x-rays) evaluated by a recognized [registry](#), e.g., Orthopedic Foundation for Animals (OFA), PennHip, Institute for Genetic Disease Control in Animals (GDC), Ontario Veterinary College (OVC).

- For **temperament issues**: temperament testing using the Puppy Aptitude Testing or American Temperament Test Society, Inc. (ATTS) certification, where appropriate. Additionally, important health issues known to affect Basset Hounds, but for which no testing has yet been identified include **lymphoma**, **hemangiosarcoma**, and **gastric-dilatation/volvulus (bloat)**, and breeders should discuss prevalence of these issues in their bloodlines as they plan breeding or sell puppies.



What is a Basset Hound??

By Jennie Fuller

These dogs may look old, but they act young,
with their wrinkley brows and ears low hung.

They look very sad, but emit a happy sound.

This dog, my friend, is the Basset Hound.

With a Basset there's always something to do,
and they wear a coat big enough for two.

They are always in quite the jovial mood,
and if you want their attention .. just mention food.

Four stubby legs and a clown by nature
If you have a Basset you'll take my wager.

Although they can't jump high, they can still find
trouble.

They will test your witts, and then want to snuggle.

They make you laugh and will cheer you up.

A heart of gold is in these pups.

In your thoughts they'll always stay.

Leave it to a Basset Hound, they'll make your day!



Missy Taylor 1/4/44 - 5/31/17

Mary Milligan Taylor was born in Columbus, OH, on a cold Jan. 4, 1944, to Charles and Jean Milligan. Her older brother George, had been prepared to accept "a little miss" into his life, and when he first saw her, he proclaimed her "Missy", and the nickname stuck for 73-plus years. Father Charlie was a Lt. JG in the Navy at this time, and spent the end of WWII on a minesweeper in Japanese waters. He and his shipmates must have been very good at minesweeping because they safely returned home at the end of their service. Jean, George, and Missy followed him whenever practical.

Missy's family settled in Coshocton, OH, after the war. As a grade school student she excelled at academics, and could beat any boy in a Bicycle Lift challenge. Junior high and high school saw a love for theatre develop. She played the role of Puck in "A Midsummer's Night Dream", and she still had a director's note given to her in an early rehearsal, "Puck does NOT sound like Wyatt Earp". Like many of her friends, Missy went to The Ohio State University in Columbus and graduated with a BA theatre degree in four years. She then entered the Master's program in theatre at the University of Wisconsin - Madison. This would become a pivotal point in her future life.

At Madison, her roommate threw a party designed to introduce Missy to a trio of young, male, Asst. Professors. The roommate's choice for Missy was not Missy's, but she did meet Douglas Taylor, who would turn Missy into a Mrs. 18 or so month's later. They had a Christmas wedding on Dec. 21st, (the shortest day of the year) in Coshocton in 1967. They almost made 50 years together in a long and loving marriage. . .

Professionally Missy taught Special Education ("You Theatre People are weird - you ought to relate to the special ed kids.") Theatre, Communications, and occasionally English, and taught Debate at the high school and junior high levels. Shawnee Mission East and West Ridge Middle School were her last venues. She also directed stage productions, occasionally acted, stage managed, and attended a lot of theatre.

Since Missy came from a family with a strong Liberal belief, she was active in many social causes. Democratic politics were a particular passion, and she ran as a Democratic candidate for the 25th District Kansas House twice. Unfortunately, she could not overcome habitual Republican voting in her district. She then directed her political energy to being a Convention Delegate, being on the Johnson County E-Board, assisting other candidates, and working with Kansas Families for Education. She was a deacon in her church and a very active member.

Missy is survived by her two brothers, George and Mark, numerous cousins, our son Darin, his wife Jen and their two children Cecilia Jane and Charles George. She will be missed terribly by her husband Doug, and their 3 Basset Hounds. A Memorial Service in Missy's memory was held June 16, at Grace Covenant Presbyterian Church, 11100 College Blvd., Overland Park, KS.