

MARCH 2017

The **ANNUAL MEETING AND ELECTION**, Timberline Basset Hound Club is taking place Sunday, March 26, 1 p.m. at the Islamorada Fish Company, Fireside Room, Northfield Shopping Center – next to the Bass Pro Shop, Denver, CO. Hope to see you there. Please RSVP to Carol at bristleconebassets@yahoo.com

The nominated slate is as follows:

President:	Susan Steinway
Vice-President	Nicole Yeanoplous
Treasurer	Chris Orlikowski
Secretary	Carol Makowski
Board members:	Cindy Underhill
	Sarahjane Velick
Staying on Board	
1 more year:	Mishka Killgore
	Betty Gene Pearce

No petitions were received.
The **nominating committee** – Nicole Yeanoplous, Chair, Brian Epperson, Mishka Killgore.

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SPECIALTY ENTRIES CLOSE MARCH 22 SO PLEASE GET YOUR ENTRIES IN AS SOON AS POSSIBLE!!! ALSO ACCEPTING ADS AND TROPHY DONATIONS. THERE IS STILL TIME.

There are still a few slots open for the **AKC Field Trial seminar taking place May 13-14** at Adams County Fairgrounds. The cost is \$45 including lunch. Please contact Carol for a registration form if you are interested.

The Latest Scoop

Hunting Performance Test

After a conference call with the AKC, Carol reported that they have put their stamp of approval on the Hunting Performance Test and are prepared to accept the event as an AKC title earning event using the rules currently in place. Titles earned since the 3 pass rule became effective will be recognized. The process has been put into play and per Doug Ljungren, the HPT will be put before the AKC Board of Directors for vote in May. Watch the AKC Gazette and keep your fingers crossed! It's been a long time coming.

Nationals Bid 2019

Many of you know that we've been working on a plan to hold a BHCA Nationals in Colorado in 2019. We're still negotiating some prices and working on budgets but it looks like we're zeroing in on the Hotel Elegante in Colorado Springs. It's close to field grounds and tracking and is dog friendly, large enough and has the facilities to handle a National specialty. More to come but this is will take a lot of work on all our parts. Please plan on getting involved.

The TBHC Tracking Test March 5, 2017



Moon at the start flag



Judges, track layer and flag carrier on plotting day



Tracklayers taking a break

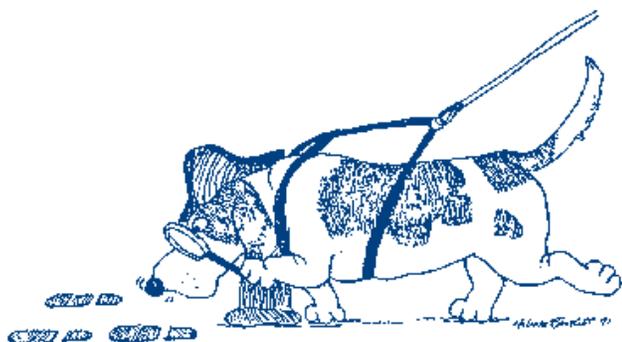


TDX Entry "Moon"



Timberline Basset Hound Club workers

The TBHC Tracking Test



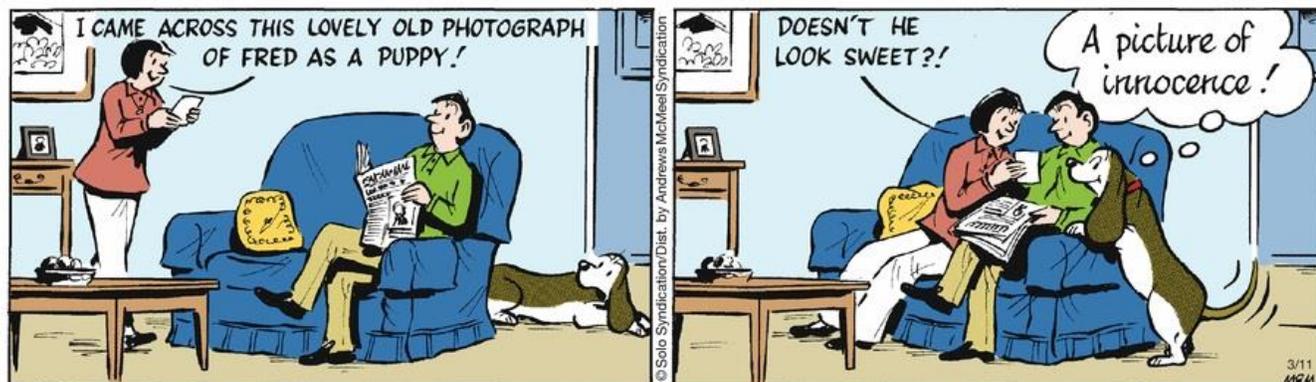
tracking test. There will be another opportunity to pass but I want to thank all the members of Timberline who rose to the occasion and took on the numerous test jobs allowing me the opportunity to enter – Susan, Chris, Betty Gene, Mishka, Nicole. Thanks also to Michele Alberts for helping on Saturday. The personnel and coordination needed to put on one of these tests is mind boggling and with all the timing issues and different tracklayers and drivers, it's the most complicated AKC event to execute. We actually had a volunteer TDX tracklayer drive here all the way from New Mexico to help and Susan was generous enough to offer a spare bedroom. Thanks to the judges for working with us. We need to regroup and get better organized for next year. Great job everyone and thank you so much!!

It started out being a perfect day for tracking that morning – that is until the winds started. High winds on Sunday made the conditions at Chatfield very difficult and we had some great efforts but no passes. Moon drew a wonderful and very exciting TDX track near the Chatfield entrance, and I plan to go back and try to recreate that track for him sometime this spring. Winds drew the scent down into a gully off to the left and the temptation to follow was just too great. No guiding is allowed of course at a

Carol

Upcoming Events

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| March 26 | Annual meeting, March |
| April 7 | Specialty, Adams County Fairgrounds |
| TBD | Regular meeting, TBHC |
| May 13-14 | AKC Field Seminar |
| June-July | Club picnic, place TBD |



Welcome New Members!!!

Jane and John Bagwell
608 Garcia Street
Santa Fe, NM 87505.

They have 3 Bassetts – Truly, Razzle Dazzle, and Birnam's Once In A Bonnie Blue Moon. They were voted in as associate members for now. Welcome!! Great to have you.

Thursday's Washingtonian of the Day was Tillie the dog, who helped rescuers find her canine pal

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OLYMPIA —



Thursday's Washingtonian of the Day has four legs and a coat of red fur.

Tillie, the dog who stood guard and helped rescuers find her canine friend Phoebe in a cistern on Vashon Island [after the two went missing in mid-September](#), was presented the honor by Gov. Jay Inslee.

Phoebe is always the more rambunctious one, her basset-hound nose low to the ground, seeking adventures among the island's landscapes, according to BJ Duft, the 51-year-old business owner who owns both dogs.

Tillie, an Irish setter-spaniel mix, plays the homebody, rarely leaving their property without

Phoebe, Duft said. When the pair wandered off last month and went missing for about a week, Tillie tried to alert nearby homeowners that Phoebe was in the cistern in a ravine by running out and then running back to the cistern.

Eventually, someone called in a Tillie sighting to Vashon Island Pet Protectors, an all-volunteer organization.

Amy Carey, who works with Vashon Island Pet Protectors, responded to the call. She didn't know what she'd find. After all, dogs have been discovered dead in cisterns before, she said.

But Carey said after walking through the ravine, she called for the dogs and heard a lone woof — and saw Tillie.

"She was lying down, pressed as tightly as you could get to the cistern," Carey said.

Phoebe was stranded on some rubble a few feet down in the cistern — too far for a basset hound's stubby legs to find a way out.

The dogs' unexpected adventure is leading newer — hopefully safer — adventures.

To prep for their time with Inslee, Tillie and Phoebe visited the groomers for a shampoo and trim. Before wandering into the governor's office lobby, with its serious-looking collection of portraits of past state leaders, they got to walk around Capitol Lake.

During the ceremony, Inslee had Tillie sit next to him as he urged "everyone in Washington to celebrate the bravery and loyalty of this canine companion." Along with a written proclamation came a Washington apple pin on a ribbon that was tied around Tillie's neck.

Inslee has given out about 70 Washingtonian of the Day certificates since taking office, said spokeswoman Jaime Smith. It's an informal way for the governor to recognize those who have inspired him.

Back on Vashon, the dogs could be contenders in the island's unofficial mayor's race next year, Duft said, and a Japanese magazine is planning an interview with the dogs by someone who claims to be able to communicate with them.

"Like a dog talker," Duft said, adding later: "So we might find out some more revealing truths of what really did happen."

TBHC Judge Nominations 2018

I'd like to nominate Joani Rush to judge our specialty in 2018. Joani is a Basset breeder judge from Sacramento (Pinedell) and has never judged our show. She chaired the BHCA committee to require that Basset Hounds be judged on a ramp and has been active in her local club as well as in BHCA. Joani coordinated the Sacramento nationals in 2015.

I'd also like to nominate Johan Becerra-Hernandez from Puerto Rico provided Terry All Kennel Club is willing to hire him for their all breed show. Johan is also a Basset Hound breeder judge, and he is judges all other breeds. A very nice gentleman, polite and kind to the dogs. He'd be an asset to our show.

I'd like to nominate Joe Smith to judge our specialty. Joe hasn't been here for years, also a breeder judge. Joe is an interesting person, lives in PA and is a mental health professional as well as being a breeder of purebred goats and cats. He was instrumental in getting recognition for a new breed of cat - Scottish Fold x Persian I believe. Joe judges other breeds as well.

Please submit other recommendations, regular classes as well as sweepstakes, to Carol for the next newsletter so we can vote and begin planning and make arrangements for 2018.



HOME MADE EAR WASH **THAT WORKS!!**

The Blue Power Ear Wash solution is formulated from three ingredients that, when combined, have been found to be effective in treating canine ear infections. It is not effective for use with obstructions and should not be used if the dog has a punctured or ruptured ear drum. As with any solution, Blue Power can cause deafness or permanent damage to the ear structure if used with a damaged ear drum.

Blue Power is made by mixing 16 ounces of isopropyl alcohol, 4 tablespoons of boric acid and 16 drops of gentian violet. A flexible plastic squeeze bottle, such as a hair dye bottle, should be used to store and dispense the solution. The solution must be shaken prior to each use, to ensure that the ingredients are properly mixed. Blue Power is used by squeezing a generous amount of the solution into the vertical ear canal, allowing the dog to shake her head to remove the excess fluid and wiping the visible portions of the pinnae and ear canal with a cotton ball to remove the remaining droplets. The gentian violet in the solution will stain clothing and perhaps even the dog's ear canal and fur.

