

WAGGIN' TALES

May 2013

The official monthly newsletter of the
Timberline Basset Hound Club
Meeting at Islamorada Fish Company meeting
room; Sunday May 19, 1:30 p.m.
Northfield Shopping Center
See page 2 for directions



Congratulations to our new Life Member, Cindy Underhill. Her new status was announced at the TBHC specialty – a very much deserved award.



Congratulations to our 2013 specialty winners!! Complete results can be found on the website. Win pictures will appear in next month's newsletter. Candid photos are in this newsletter.

Best of Breed:

GCH CH BOBAC BOSS'S GRAND CANYON

Owner(s): RICHARD & SHARON NANCE, MILES & MARTHA FAIRIS

By CH Lochopt Slumber Full Circle - CH BoBac Dulcinea

Best of Winners:

BUGLE BAY'S NORTH VALLEY ROSEMARY

Owner: PEGGIE FINDLAY

GCH Bimam's Sweet Tea - CH Bugle Bay's Buttermilk O'Kelmie

Winners Dog:

RABBIT RUN CONNORSVILLE

Owner(s): NANCY KLENKE AND KIM TRUMBULL

Also best Junior in Sweepstakes

By GCH Reveille's Fiesta of Scotland - CH Rabbit Run Minneapolis

Best in Sweepstakes

TRUMBULL'S RABBIT RUN BELLA DONNA

Owner(s): NANCY KLENKE AND KIM TRUMBULL

By GCH Reveille's Fiesta of Scotland - CH Rabbit Run
Romeo's Juliette

Qualifying score Rally Novice B:

HIGH DESERT'S PARSNIP

Owner(s): SUE HORNE AND FRED HORNE

By CH Lochopt Slumber Full Circle - CH BoBac Dulcinea

Many thanks to Kermit and the entire show committee and Board for all the hard work making this happen!

What's Happening?? TBHC News

- **Betty is calling a TBHC board meeting, same date and location as the regular meeting, 1 p.m. Members are welcome. Agenda includes appointing someone for president, the All Ears fundraiser agility trial, a summer picnic for all Basset Hounds, recap of the HPT, our 50th anniversary specialty next year, and more.**
- Check out the nice list of awards earned by TBHC members and their Basset Hounds the past year.
- The Hunting Performance Test was successful as far as entries and participation (we actually had 5 Harriers), however 4 vehicles needed to be towed out of the sandy creek bed toward the end of the day which was NOT fun at all. Thanks to judges Terri Desnica, Butch Engel and Betty Pearce. See more in this newsletter.
- Congratulations to Susan Steinway and Thumper for qualifying in solo stake for his first leg toward a BHCA Hunting Hound title at the hunt test. Thumper did a stellar job not only locating his own cottontail, but very ably trailing it for some time in full voice. It was beautiful to watch!
- A presentation on the Basset Hound has been requested by the Colorado Judges Group. Timeframe is September, 3rd Wednesday at Denver Dog Sports in Denver
- Tracking test is set for March 2, 2014 at Lori State Park in Ft. Collins. Judges are Jane Jonas and Roy Fair. David is chairing.
- Our agility trial is set for September 22 at Arapahoe Park in Golden, Colorado. Betty Gene is chairing. Our judge is Beth Godwin. Kitty Bradley will once again do personnel for us. The park is reserved; all is a go.
- We are working on getting a site for the All Ears fundraiser agility trial. We may have an indoor site at Denver Dog Sports in Denver! More on this as plans develop.
- There are tentative plans for an all Basset Hound picnic this summer possibly at DeKoevend Park in Centennial.
- By-laws revisions are being discussed by the Board and will be sent to the membership for vote soon. Some of the changes include removal of term limits for president, removal of meeting requirements for voting.
- Plans will be starting for our 50th anniversary show next year. This is a huge milestone for any club, and particularly a dog club with all the ups and downs that occur over the years. There has been talk about adding a regional to have 2 shows the same day, with a formal dinner and possibly entertainment in the evening. Our specialty judges next year are Carla LaFave for regular classes and Christina Cox for sweepstakes.



Map and address for our meeting next Sunday. The meeting room is just inside the restaurant entrance.
At Northfield Shopping Center
7970 E 49th Ave Denver, CO 80238
(720) 385-3500

Breeding Better Dogs By Dr. Carmen Battaglia

A 2 day seminar sponsored by Plum Creek Kennel Club

July 13-14, 2013

Embassy Suites Hotel – Denver – Aurora

4444 North Havana St., Denver, CO 80239-2938

Cost is \$150 and includes lunch

Topics include eight breeder skills, tools available to breeders, analysis of pedigrees, selecting sires and dams, evaluating litters, choosing the best puppies, feeding and managing pups kept by breeders, developing a useful record system.

Contact Alan Krenek, 303-646-3094, or email mkrenek@aol.com

MARCH BRAGS:

- Betty: Pippa (Halcyon Marvel) was Winners Bitch at Colorado Kennel Club Show February 16.
Cindy: Have added a new Basset Hound to the household – name is Windy (Ch Halcyon Sensation), 2 years old, from Doug Taylor. She is settling in and adjusting well.
Betsy: CH Bugle Bay's Sin City Cuppa Joe CD RN TDX earned his CDX on March 31, at the Silver State Kennel Club in Las Vegas, NV. All three legs were earned with placements, along with one all-breed High in Trial. The CDX also qualifies him for BHCA's VCX award.

New Basset babies whelped March 5 - Shooter x Maggie

Ch Ft. Merrill Special Agent x
Ch Halcyon Farfelu Miracle O'Brstlecn

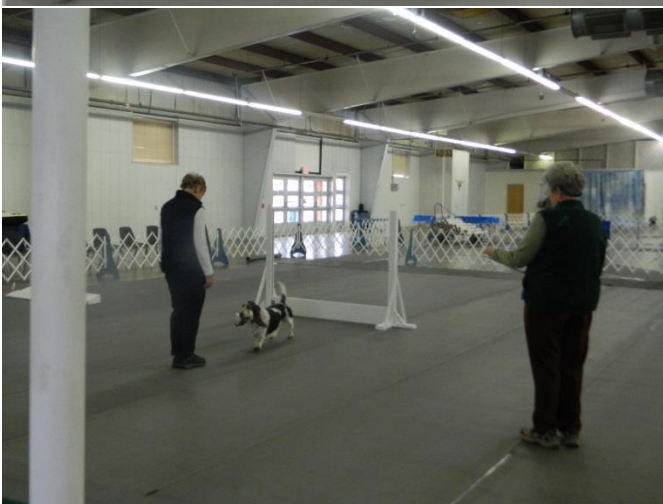
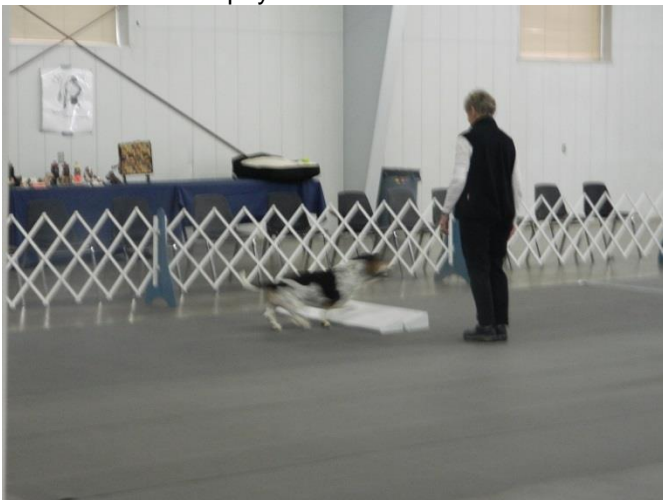
2 Girls, 1 Boy at home with Carol



Some candid pictures from our specialty – photographer pictures to follow in next newsletter:



Trophy Table



Jane Jonas and Chayne in Open Obedience

Some of our Rescue Parade participants:



Congratulations to the following TBHC Basset Hounds who achieved AKC titles during the past year and were given awards at the specialty!

- CH** Bristlecone's Talk O'The Town -- 03/10/12 -- Thaddeus & Carol Makowski & Betty Pearce
High Desert Rose CDX RAE MX **MXJ** OF -- 03/17/12 -- Jane H Reed
Jonas' Wild Wyatt West **TDX** -- 03/25/12 -- Jane Jonas
CH High Desert's Bugle Bay Rhubarb **CD** RA -- 04/13/12 -- Sue & Fred Horne
CH Trumbull's Chantilly Lace -- 04/13/12 -- Roger & Kim Trumbull
Bugle Bay's Sweet Potato Pi CDX **RAE** NJP -- 04/14/12 -- Jane H Reed
CH High Desert's Broccoli -- 06/10/12 -- Karla & Dominic Kollasch
CH Halcyon Blessing -- 06/10/12 -- Douglas C Taylor
CH Rabbit Run McKenzie -- 08/04/12 -- Nancy Klenke & Kim Trumbull
CH Bristlecone's Moonshadow TD -- 08/16/12 -- Carol Makowski
CH Bristlecone's Oh Very Young -- 08/17/12 -- Carol Makowski
CH Bugle Bay's Sin City Cuppa Joe **CD** TDX -- 08/19/12 -- Elizabeth & Kevin Iole
CH Bugle Bay's Sin City Cuppa Joe CD **RN** TDX -- 08/19/12-- Elizabeth & Kevin Iole
CH Halcyon Double Jeopardy -- 09/01/12 -- Douglas C Taylor
GCH CH Reveille's Fiesta Of Scotland -- 09/15/12 -- Kim Trumbull, Dee Hagy & Jane P Scott
CH Bristlecone's Oh Very Young **TD** -- 10/20/12 -- Carol Makowski
CH Sasquatch Harper's Homer -- 10/28/12 -- Tom & Medora Harper & Barbara Brandt
CH Halcyon Sensation -- 10/30/12 -- Douglas C Taylor
CH Bugle Bay's Sin City Caper UD RE **TDX** -- 01/06/13 -- Elizabeth & Kevin Iole
CH Ambrican Chaynne Chaleureux CD **RA** TDX VC -- 01/21/13 -- Jane Jonas

Breeder of Best of Breed

2013 TBHC Specialty Show

April, 12, 2013

Sharon and Richard Nance - GCH CH BOBAC BOSS'S GRAND CANYON

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Upcoming Events:

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| June meeting | TBD |
| July picnic | Date TBD, planning for DeKoevend Park in Littleton. |
| Agility trial | Sunday, September 22, 2013, Arapahoe Park, Golden, CO |
| Tracking test | Sunday, March 4, 2014, Lori State Park, Ft. Collins |

List of Poisonous Foods for Dogs

There are many great places to find lists of poisonous food for dogs. Below is a list of some of the most common food items that can cause serious problems for your pet.

Chocolate – Many pet owners are aware of how dangerous that chocolate is to a dog. Theobromine, an ingredient in chocolate, can attack the dog's central nervous system. The darker a chocolate is, the more dangerous it is for dogs. When a dog eats chocolate, it can lead to serious problems, including heart issues and death.

Onions – A small amount of onions will probably not be harmful to your dog, but the thiosulphate in onions can cause problems in larger amounts. Because thiosulphate will build up in your dog's system over time, it is better to avoid feeding your dog foods that contain onions.

Garlic – Garlic also contains thiosulphate, so should be avoided for the same reasons as onions.

Grapes – This one might come as a shock to some pet owners, and will disappoint the many dogs who enjoy chomping on a grape now and then. While some dogs will eat grapes and have no problems, grapes can cause kidney failure in some dogs. You should avoid feeding your dog raisins for the same reason.

Sugar Substitutes – Avoid giving your dog any foods that contain sugar substitutes, particularly those that contain xylitol. Xylitol can cause serious medical issues in some dogs, including liver failure.

Yeast – If you enjoy baking, be sure to keep yeast and uncooked dough away from your pets. In some cases, the yeast will rise in the dog's stomach causing very serious complications, including a rupturing in the digestive tract.

Poisonous Food for Dogs: Symptoms

Below are some of the symptoms you may see if your pet has eaten any poisonous food for dogs.

Vomiting

Diarrhea

Lethargy

Heaving

Refusing food

If you see any of the above symptoms, contact your vet right away. If you know that your dog has consumed dangerous foods, do not wait for symptoms to appear. Instead, contact the **Animal Poison Control Center at 888-426-4435** or your vet's office immediately.

When you call the number above, a fee will apply, but some locations have set up a pet poison control hotline that does not charge callers so check your local phone book.

Poisonous Food for Dogs: Treatment

The treatment when a pet eats poisonous food for dogs will depend on what he ate and how much. There is no one treatment that will be right in every case. Treatments may include providing fluids, inducing vomiting or surgery.

Many dogs who suffer from such food poisoning make a full recovery. The key is seeking treatment as soon as possible.

New rodenticide without antidote alarms pet toxicology experts

By Julie Scheidegger

2008 EPA regulations may have unintended but dangerous consequences.

Fluffy got into the rat poison in the garage? Get the Vitamin K! Not so fast, warns Ahna Brutlag, DVM, MS, a diplomate of the American Board of Toxicology and assistant director of veterinary services for Pet Poison Helpline. The ingested substance may be bromethalin, the new toxin of choice for rodenticide manufacturers. There is no test save necropsy to detect its presence-and no antidote. Why are manufacturers switching to bromethalin? Because in 2008 the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) issued a decision prohibiting the use of second-generation or long-acting anticoagulants in residential settings. Manufacturers became compliant with these new regulations in 2011, with many using bromethalin instead of anticoagulants in their products.

Brutlag says the EPA's changes-designed to make rodenticide safer for children, pets and wildlife-may actually make diagnosing and treating rodenticide poisoning more difficult, thereby increasing the risk of harm. "We feel like it was well-intentioned but we've ended up with some really frightening consequences," Brutlag says. "With anticoagulants at least we know there is a very effective test and there's an antidote." Bromethalin is a neurotoxin that affects mitochondria in the brain and liver. According to the Pet Poison Helpline, it results in decreased ATP production, which affects sodium and potassium pumps; as a result, lipid peroxidation occurs, resulting in sodium accumulation within the cell. Edema of the central nervous system (CNS) may result.

The rapid onset of bromethalin poisoning leaves veterinarians little time for error. "The symptoms come on faster and it's harder to treat," Brutlag says. With anticoagulant poisoning, veterinarians had three to five days before bleeding began-maybe a week before death. But with bromethalin, clinical signs associated with CNS edema may be seen within two to 24 hours. Once the animal starts showing neurological signs-CNS stimulation or depression, abnormal behavior, ataxia, hyperesthesia, seizures, coma-successful treatment becomes more difficult and more expensive. An animal may have only a couple of days before succumbing. Even in successful cases, Brutlag says treatment requires more emergency care and hospitalization. "Since there's no antidote, decontamination is the most important intervention," Brutlag says. But she

worries that not enough veterinarians are familiar with how to decontaminate bromethalin exposure. According to the Pet Poison Helpline, the median lethal dose (LD50) of bromethalin for dogs is 2.38-3.65 mg/kg, with a minimum lethal dose of 2.5 mg/kg. Cats are more sensitive, with a significantly lower LD50 of 0.54 mg/kg.

Severity is dose-dependent, but if the poisoning is discovered within 10 to 15 minutes of ingestion, it's safe to induce emesis at home, Brutlag says. After that small window, induction of emesis should take place at a veterinary clinic where the animal can be monitored for acute onset of CNS signs and be given multiple doses of activated charcoal four to six doses over 24 hours. "Should clinical signs arise, patients are treated with standard measures to reduce cerebral edema including IV fluids, mannitol, etc.," Brutlag wrote in an impact statement for the EPA. Prognosis is poor for patients exhibiting persistent seizures or paralytic syndrome. The negative impact on pets from bromethalin poisoning has Brutlag and others wishing for preregulation standards. In fact, manufacturers of the rodenticide brand d-Con have refused to comply with the new EPA standards, continuing to use an anticoagulant as its active ingredient. "Even though it's a potent anticoagulant, at least it's an anticoagulant," Brutlag says. The Pet Poison Helpline and d-Con both cite the dangers of using a toxin with no known antidote as reason for the EPA to revisit the 2008 regulation standards. Brutlag concedes that it may be difficult to return to preregulation standards now that bromethalin products are on the market. For her, the best solution may be to simply educate pet owners and veterinarians. She travels the country giving lectures on the dangers of rodenticide poisonings-most recently at the North American Veterinary Conference in Orlando, Fla. She says most veterinarians don't know about the EPA's regulations and the change in active ingredients. "They're shocked and concerned," she says. "Being able to inform veterinarians that this change has occurred is crucial."

Submitted by Vizsla Breeder/Judge Dr. Sylvia Kerr

Hunting Performance Test April 22, 2013 National Mill Dog Rescue, Peyton, CO

We had a very nice entry of 13 stakes for our spring hunting performance test - Bassets, Dachshunds, and most exciting of all was the addition of Harriers. This is the first time Harriers have participated in any of the hunt tests, and this test included 5 owned by Becky McElroy who also happens to be a neighbor of National Mill Dog Rescue and knows the history of the property very well. There was some concern about containing the larger dogs but as it turned out, they were true hunters and Becky had them well under control. We did find rabbits - both cottontail and jackrabbit. The property has several different types of terrain and habitat for different species of rabbit and other things. Conditions were very dry and there was cactus, something that needs to be considered for future tests.

The star of the day was Susan Steinway's Basset Thumper who earned very nice scores in all categories, finding his own cottontail and maintaining the line for about 15 minutes. It was fun to watch and Susan's training efforts paid off.

The test took place on 160 acres of open land, and in an effort to get closer to where the rabbits were hiding, some of the exhibitors tried driving deeper into the property. Unfortunately, 3 of the vehicles got hopelessly stuck in soft river bottom silt - one trying to help the other - and had to be towed out. A 4th vehicle, Becky's husband who was there to tow her out, also became stuck. A young man (I swear he was not old enough to have a drivers' license!) living nearby was able to tow out all 4 vehicles with a pickup truck having oversized wheels and all was well by the end of the day, but the exercise took time out of our test hours and made for a long day. Pictures are from Dawn Renee's facebook page, and yes, I know it looks like the Sahara Desert but this really was Peyton, Colorado.



Thanks to our judges Butch Engel, Terri Desnica and Betty Pearce for hanging in there under rough conditions. Thanks also to TBHC members Mishka and Susan for helping.

Thanks also to National Mill Dog Rescue for use of their grounds. We'll need to re-think the timing of these tests and aim for greener conditions. May would have been a better time frame this year.

We're still trying to get the award picture of Susan and Thumper and hopefully will have that for the next newsletter.