

# BONCKERS

**Bloodhounds of Northern California, Kennel Education,  
Rescue, Show, and Search Society**

**Bloodhounds West, *North***

**June 2016**

# Bloodhounds West Northern Chapter



## Meet our cover dog!

**Owner:** *Debbie Levy*

**Name:** "Poppy"

**Age:** 1.5 years

**Favorite activity:** stealing objects off my bedside table

**Favorite treat:** cheese

**Favorite game:** wrestling with her "brother" Hank

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**Contributions to your newsletter are always welcome!**

## President's Message



**Gary Marshall**, President  
**Bloodhounds West, Northern Chapter**

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## More on Our Cover Dog



By **Debbie Levy**

“Poppy” was born January 2, 2015 into a litter of puppies with short or kinked tails. The breeder was reluctant to sell the puppies to buyers who might want to breed them and so held on to them. Eventually, she gave “Poppy” and one of her brothers to *Bloodhounds West* and they went into foster care at the home of **Jamie White**. Until they reached **Jamie's**, the pups had not been socialized.

Although “Poppy” has adjusted well to her life here at *Rancho Ruby*, she is very anxious around strangers and in new environments. I am working with a trainer and my goal is to get “Poppy” to the point where she can participate in nosework and agility. **She's a challenge, but totally worth the effort!**

# Membership Meeting Minutes

By **Pat Moffitt**

Meeting called to order by President **Gary Marshall**, May 7, 2016, 1:55 PM, at the Southwest Regional, Tres Piños, CA. Sign-in sheet is available.

- A. Minutes of previous meeting were published in March *BONCKERS*, approved.
- B. PRESIDENT'S REPORT: discussion of members with past-due dues. Send them an email about renewal before terminating membership. Also have Membership Chair put note in next *BONCKERS* about paying on time.

C. TREASURER'S REPORT:

Beginning Balance:	\$20,501.79
Trailing:	(1,736.99)
Gavilan:	(1,315.00)
Banjo Fund:	(1,000.00)
Agility:	(1,944.43)
Ending Balance:	\$14,505.37

D. RESCUE REPORT:

\$2,400 in donations received, from **Liz's** clients. Fund balance \$4,331.48.  
New website is up: [NCBHR.org](http://NCBHR.org)

- E. Deadline for March Issue of *BONCKERS* is Tuesday, May 24. Send articles and photos to **Mike McMillan**

F. OLD BUSINESS:

- a. **Mike McMillan** brought reminder that our By-Laws need updating, draft update prepared back in 2013. It was decided to wait until June to see if the pending ABC By-Law updates pass.
- b. **Mike McMillan** brought up use of conference calling to encourage participation at meetings by members who can't attend in person. **Suzi Paine** said this works well for ABC Board meetings.
- c. **Elaine Marshall** moved to do regular meetings at shows. **Mike McMillan** seconded it, passed. Board meetings to be held between general meetings using conference calling.

G. NEW BUSINESS:

- a. In response to an email from the Vice President, **Mike McMillan** asked for clarification on who should receive *BONCKERS* by email. It was decided to leave it as is (just our members) but post it on our website for anyone to access. **Mike** will need a current member email roster to send the next issue.

- b. Our By-Laws require periodic Board meetings in addition to general meetings. We need to schedule Board meetings in advance. Use FreeConferenceCall.com to coordinate the Board meetings.

**Aldo Branch** made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 2:26 PM, seconded by **Randy Greenlee**, approved by all in attendance. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, **Pat Moffitt**, Recording Secretary

**ABC MEETING:** Immediately following the *Bloodhounds West, Northern Chapter* general membership meeting, an *American Bloodhound Club* meeting was held, facilitated by **Lyn Sherman**, ABC Second Vice President, with assistance from **Suzi Paine**, ABC Corresponding Secretary. **Lyn** discussed the recently proposed ABC By-law changes and the importance of mailing in your ballot on this action. **Lyn** clarified the extended postmark date for ballot mailing. Both **Lyn** and **Suzi** were then available to address any member questions on these issues.

## Bloodhounds in Art



Bloodhounds West member and *seamstress extraordinaire* **Sue Springer** recently donated a magnificent quilt as a raffle prize for the Southwest Regional Specialty in Tres Piños. The vibrant quilt is 4 feet by 6 feet and is stitched in several different quilting patterns. The hound's multicolored collar adds a three-dimensional touch as it is an actual fabric collar with metal ring sewn onto the fabric.

The quilt was won during the Saturday afternoon raffle by **Diane** and **Aldo Branch**. **Diane** says it makes a colorful addition to the trophy room for their hounds "Saidee" and "Belle." She adds, "**Aldo** and I are very grateful to have been lucky enough to win this terrific raffle prize."

## ABC Dues Reminder



Annual membership dues for our parent organization, the **American Bloodhound Club**, are due this month. In case you missed the dues reminder post-card in the mail, the information is on the ABC website <http://www.americanbloodhoundclub.org>

And in case you're not already an ABC member...

## ABC "Be Our Guest" Program

Do you share your home with one or more bloodhounds? Or wish you could? For people who love the breed but haven't yet discovered the **American Bloodhound Club** (ABC), we have a program called "Be Our Guest". There is no charge to explore the world of bloodhounds as a "guest" of the ABC. For one year, you will receive quarterly issues of the **ABC Bulletin**, a beautiful magazine with photos and articles about this wonderful breed. You will also receive a year's worth of our e-mailed **ABC Newsletter**. The *Newsletter* contains up-to-date information about events that are held around the country, just for bloodhounds and their people.

Attending events and making new friends who also love this breed is a great way to make the most of your bloodhound-owning experience. ABC members share a common concern about the health and behavior of our hounds. We love and support the breed and would like to welcome new members. Having you Be Our Guest for a year gives you the opportunity to see what the Club is like and to possibly meet members in your area. We hope you will decide to join after your guest year!

Fill out the form located at <http://www.americanbloodhoundclub.org/be-our-guest-form/> to become a Guest of the **American Bloodhound Club** for a year at no cost to you. (Text from the ABC website).

## Bloodhounds in Literature

***“The Hound of the Baskervilles”*** is the third of many crime novels written by **Sir Arthur Conan Doyle** featuring the detective **Sherlock Holmes**. Originally serialized in *The Strand Magazine* from August 1901 to April 1902, it is set largely on the bleak moors near Dartmoor in Devon in England's West Country. The mystery unfolds a story of an attempted murder inspired by the legend of a fearsome, diabolical hound of supernatural origin.

Sir Henry lay insensible where he had fallen. We tore away his collar, and Holmes breathed a prayer of gratitude when we saw that there was no sign of a wound and that the rescue had been in time. Already our friend's eyelids shivered and he made a feeble effort to move. Lestrade thrust his brandy-flask between the baronet's teeth, and two frightened eyes were looking up at us.

*“My God!” he  
whispered.  
“What was it?”*

“My God!” he whispered. “What was it? What, in heaven's name, was it?”

“It's dead, whatever it is,” said Holmes. “We've laid the family ghost once and for ever.”

In mere size and strength it was a terrible creature which was lying stretched before us. It was not a pure **bloodhound** and it was not a pure mastiff; but it appeared to be a combination of the two – gaunt, savage, and as large as a small lioness. Even now, in the stillness of death, the huge jaws seemed to be dripping with a bluish flame and the small, deep-set, cruel eyes were ringed with fire. I placed my hand upon the glowing muzzle, and as I held them up my own fingers smouldered and gleamed in the darkness.

“Phosphorus,” I said.

“A cunning preparation of it,” said Holmes, sniffing at the dead animal. “There is no smell which might have interfered with his power of scent. We owe you a deep apology, Sir Henry, for having exposed you to this fright. **I was prepared for a hound, but not for such a creature as this.**”



“Basker”

(Source: book and Wikipedia)

# Conformance Show Results

Prepared by *Kay Schmitt*

- 11/27/2015 **YUMA KENNEL CLUB**  
Judge: Mr. *Stephen Hubbell*  
SELECT: GCH M&M's Price of Freedom CGC
- 3/10/2016 **SEQUOIA KENNEL CLUB**  
Judge: Mr. *Luc Boileau*  
1/RW: McGuire's Good Golly Miss Molly of CNG
- 3/11/2016 **SEQUOIA KENNEL CLUB**  
Judge: Mrs. *Donnelle Richards*  
1/W: McGuire's Good Golly Miss Molly of CNG
- 3/12/2016 **KING'S KENNEL CLUB OF CALIFORNIA**  
Judge: Mrs. *Kimberly Meredith-Cavanna*  
1/W: McGuire's Good Golly Miss Molly of CNG
- 3/13/2016 **KING'S KENNEL CLUB OF CALIFORNIA**  
Judge: Mrs. *Gloria Geringer*  
1/W/BOS: McGuire's Good Golly Miss Molly of CNG
- 3/24/2016 **SAN MATEO KENNEL CLUB**  
Judge: Mr. *Jeffrey G. Pepper*  
1/W/BOS: Kocar's Leather and Lace  
SELECT: GCH M&M's Price of Freedom CGC  
BOB/Group 3: GCH Badgershill Muldoon of Heather MTI
- 3/25/2016 **SAN MATEO KENNEL CLUB**  
Judge: Mrs. *Carol Spritzer*  
1/W/BOS: Kocar's Leather and Lace  
SELECT: GCH M&M's Price of Freedom CGC  
BOB: GCH Badgershill Muldoon of Heather MTI
- 3/26/2016 **OAKLAND KENNEL CLUB**  
Judge: Mrs. *Barbara Pepper*  
1/W/BOW/BOS: Kocar's Leather and Lace  
SELECT BOBOH: CH Hunterhound the Grail Maiden  
SELECT: GCH Badgershill Muldoon of Heather MTI  
BOB: GCH M&M's Price of Freedom CGC
- 3/27/2016 **OAKLAND KENNEL CLUB**  
Judge: Ms. *Kathryn Cowsert*  
1/W/BOS: Kocar's Leather and Lace  
SELECT BOBOH: CH Hunterhound the Grail Maiden  
SELECT: GCH Badgershill Muldoon of Heather MTI  
BOB/Group 2: GCH M&M'S Price of Freedom CGC

4/16/2016 **SACRAMENTO KENNEL CLUB**  
Judge: Mrs. **Rosalind Kramer**  
1/W Hunterhound Lancelot Du Lac  
BOBOH: CH Hunterhound the Grail Maiden  
BOB/ Group 3: GCH Badgershill Muldoon of Heather MTI  
SELECT: GCH Heroes In Your Dreams Mandolin, RN MT  
BOS: GCH Buffalo Groves Sassy's Tinkerbelle, MT  
SELECT: CH Loamy Lane's McKinney

4/17/2016 **SACRAMENTO KENNEL CLUB**  
Judge: Mr. **Randy Garren**  
1/W: Hunterhound Lancelot Du Lac  
SELECT: CH Quiet Creek's Blarney Stone  
BOB/Group 2: GCH Badgershill Muldoon of Heather, MTI  
BOS/BOBOH Group 3: CH Hunterhound the Grail Maiden

4/23/2016 **CHIEF SOLANO KENNEL CLUB**  
Judge: Mr. **Roger Hartinger**  
1/W/BOB/Best Puppy/PG 1: Kocar's Leather and Lace

4/24/2016 **CHIEF SOLANO KENNEL CLUB**  
Judge: Mrs. **Jacqueline L. Stacy**  
1/W/BOB: Kocar's Leather and Lace

5/6/2016 **ABC REGIONAL SPECIALTY**  
Sweepstakes Judge: Mr. **Myron Robb**  
Best Veteran Dog: Jasper Jack Gardner, CD, BN, GN, RE, TD, "Jasper"  
Best In Sweeps: Quiet Creek's All In At Heather's "Seven"  
Classes Judge: Mr. **William Russell**  
Best of Breed: GCH Quiet Creek's Limited Edition, "Bob"  
Best of Opposite Sex: CH Hunterhound The Grail Maiden, "Saidee"  
Best of Winner's: McGuire's Good Golly Miss Molly of CNG, "Molly"  
Reserve Winner's Bitch: Kocar's Leather and Lace, "Lacey"  
Select: Jasper Jack Gardner, CD, BN, GN, RE, TD, "Jasper"  
Select: McGuire's Queen of the Hop, "Bunny"  
Award of Merit: GCH M&M's Price of Freedom, "Morgan"  
Award of Merit: GCH Badgershill Muldoon of Heather, "Muldoon"  
Award of Merit: CH Loamy Lane's McKinney, "Mack"

5/7/2016 **GAVILAN KENNEL CLUB**  
Judge: Ms. **Linda C. More**  
1/6-9 puppy: Kocar's Leather and Lace  
1/W: Quiet Creek's All In At Heathers  
1/RW: McGuire's Good Golly Miss Molly of CNG  
BOS/BOBOH/OH Group 4: CH Hunterhound The Grail Maiden  
SELECT: CH Quiet Creek's Blarney Stone

5/8/2016 **GAVILAN KENNEL CLUB**  
Judge: Mr. **Allen L. Odom**  
1/R: Kocar's Leather and Lace  
1/W/BOB: Quiet Creek's All In At Heather's  
SELECT: CH Loamy Lane's McKinney  
SELECT/BOBOH Group 2: CH Hunterhound The Grail Maiden

## Bloodhound Conformance



Judge **Terry Stacy**, handler **Laurie Fenner**, and a beaming Bloodhounds West member **Pat Moffitt** showing off “Lacey” after “Lacey” earned a Group One Best Hound puppy at the *Chief Solano Kennel Club* show in Vallejo in April. “Lacey” (Kocar’s Leather and Lace) is owned by **Pat Moffitt** and **Tina Kocar**. (*MyDogPhoto.com* photo)

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## Bloodhound Sports

### “Are We Ready to Show?” by *Amanda Gardner*

No matter what your sport (Conformation, Tracking, Trailing, Obedience, Rally, Agility, etc.), one spends countless hours training and preparing for the next (or first) show. Maybe you will be showing at a new level or at a new location (outdoors vs. indoors). Whatever the circumstances are, every experience is a new one for you and your dog. You look at the show calendar and plan your schedule while assessing if your dog will be ready in time. You have been busy training your dog, feel confident in your dog's abilities, but at the same time, there is always one question lingering in your head. Whether it is your first time or one-hundredth time in the ring, people always ask themselves, “*Are we ready to show?*”

Are we ready to show? This is really a three-fold question: Am I ready to show?, Is my dog ready to show?, and Is the team ready to show? Each question must be evaluated on a separate basis. Remember, as a handler, it is your responsibility to set your dog up for success. Unless both you and your dog are ready to show as a team, you are unlikely to obtain favorable results.

**Am I Ready to Show?** This question is all about the handler. As a handler, are you ready to set foot in the ring? Have you familiarized yourself with all the rules and regulations applicable to your event? If not, it is time to re-read the rules. There are too many handler errors occurring in the ring everyday. Go watch an AKC Rally trial. The biggest reason dogs NQ (non-qualifying) is because of handler error. How does it feel to tell your dog that he did not qualify because you, the handler, made a mistake? One should never receive handler error deductions. It is the handler's responsibility to be familiar with the rules.

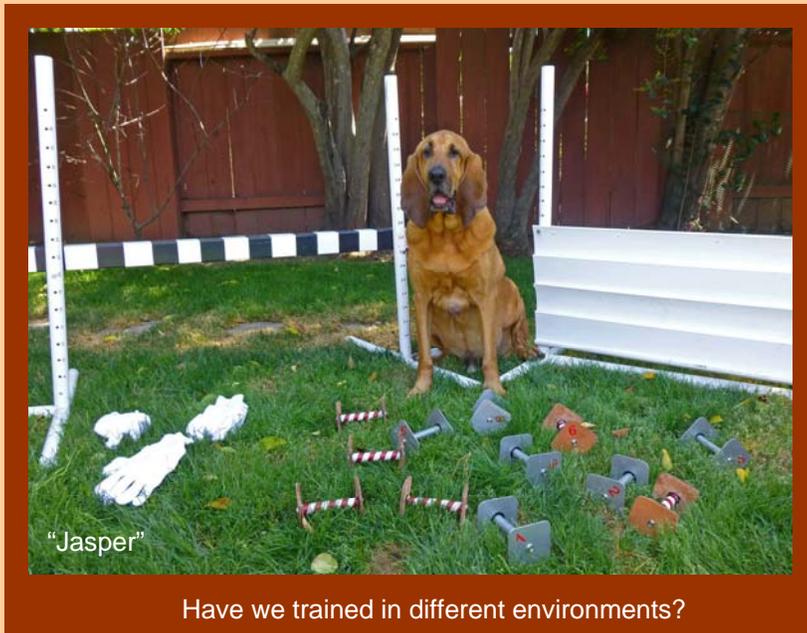
In addition to knowing the rules, handlers should be comfortable with the environment. Be prepared and dress appropriately. Know your ring time and location. Plan ahead and arrive early.

If you are nervous, practice exercises to calm your nerves. Your dog feeds off your energy. If you are worried or anxious, you will make your dog worried or anxious.



Everything you do and feel travels through the leash to your dog. Relax, have fun, and be calm and confident.

**Is My Dog Ready to Show?** This is the harder question to evaluate. You can train indefinitely and be perfect in training, but ultimately, your dog is an independent thinker. What you can do is set your dog up for success in the ring. My philosophy is “Whenever, Wherever.” The dog must be able to do the skill “Whenever” I tell him to and “Wherever” I tell him to. If the dog is not able to do the skill “Whenever, Wherever,” then his chances for success in the ring are greatly reduced.



In Obedience and Rally, I often hear an exhibitor whose dog did poorly in the ring say, “but my dog is perfect in class (or at home).” Almost all dogs at the show are perfect in class or at home, otherwise they would not be at the show. It is important to remember that class and home are just the first steps in preparation for the ring.

If your dog cannot perform all of the required exercises outside of class or your home, how will your dog be able to perform in the ring? By mastering the

“Whenever, Wherever,” you are setting your dog up for success in the ring.

In preparation for any conformation or performance event, there is always a continuous progression in one’s training. A typical progression looks something like this:

1. You learn a new skill in class.
2. You practice and master the skill at a quiet place in your home with no distractions.
3. You practice and master the skill in a busier location in your home with distractions.
4. You move your training to your backyard.
5. You train in the front yard.
6. You train at your local park.
7. You train at other parks.
8. You train at busy locations with many distractions.
9. You enter a practice match and are successful.
10. Now you are ready to enter the ring.

This progression applies to all events, not just Obedience and Rally, and can be adapted to your particular situation. For example, in Conformation, it is important to practice on different surfaces (grass, concrete, carpet, matting, etc.) and have many different types of people exam your dog (old, young, male, female, hat, sunglasses, cane, different nationalities, etc.). In Trailing and Tracking, practice in as many different types of environments as you can find, under varying weather conditions, using different types of scent articles, and with different types of people as your runners.

An important aspect to remember is that your dog's progression is not always linear. You may have to repeat a step or backtrack. Maybe you progressed before your dog was really ready to move forward. You may have corrected a problem the dog was having, only to have another problem evolve. Dogs are very situational and even minor changes to the environment can have a big impact on your dog's success. Training is a continuous process. Success in the ring today does not guarantee success in the ring tomorrow. One must constantly evaluate and reassess their dog's skills.

**Is The Team Ready to Show?** It is time to enter your next show and you think to yourself, "Are we ready to show?" For starters, your answers to the first two sub-questions should be "yes". Both the handler and dog should be ready to show. However, just because the handler is ready to show and the dog is ready to show, does not mean that the team is ready to show. Remember, the handler and dog are a team. If both you and your dog do not operate as a team, then the team is not ready to show. To emphasize the importance of teamwork, deductions are taken for "lack of teamwork" in Obedience and Rally.

So next time you and your dog are ready to set foot in the ring, remember the importance of teamwork and that it is the handler's responsibility to set the dog up for success.



Photos from **Amanda Gardner**

Good teamwork leads to success in the ring.

# 2016 Southwest Regional

By **Suzi Paine**, Event Chair and Secretary

It was a beautiful weekend in Tres Piños, California for all of the Bloodhound fanciers who attended the *2016 Southwest Regional*. The specialty was held on Friday afternoon, May 6, at the *Gavilan Kennel Club* show grounds. What a gorgeous setting for a show with hills and trees surrounding *Bolado Park*.



**Lisa Jones**

Our designated

Bloodhound area for the weekend was scouted and chosen by **Gary Marshall** and **Aldo Branch**. It was a perfect spot with plenty of room for parking, tons of picnic tables to hold the great spread of food and drink and our raffle baskets, shaded grooming/crating space among the trees, and best of all, restrooms adjacent!

**FRIDAY** On Friday morning, our Bloodhounds West area was abuzz with club members setting up the food and raffle tables. The decorating, food, and beverage set up was created by **Lisa Jones**, **Diane Branch**, and **Pam Herranz**. The tables were lovely and stocked with a bounty of drinks, all kinds of snacks, fresh fruit, chips

and salsa –

everything hungry workers and exhibitors might want.

Meanwhile at ringside, we had the fantastic trophies created by **Lisa**, **Diane**, **Pam**, and **Elaine Marshall**. Each winner received a bag with engraved glass or wood items, custom-made leather leads, and dog toys galore! In addition, there were the beautiful rosettes made by **Tina Kocar**. We had an excellent ring steward provided to us by *Gavilan KC*,



**Bill Russell**, **Amanda Gardner** with "Jasper", and **Suzi Paine**

Ken O'Brien photo

**Laura Lei Strain.** *Laura Lei* expertly assisted our judges and kept everything organized. **Kay Schmitt** provided judges' hospitality and sold our catalogs. (There are a few catalogs left - if anyone would like one marked and mailed to them for \$10.00, just contact me at themaja@comcast.net).



**Diane Branch** and "Saidee"

Sweepstakes judging was performed masterfully by our own **Myron Robb**. **Myron's** Best Veteran Dog in Sweepstakes was **Amanda Gardner's** 12½ year-old "Jasper" (Jasper Jack Gardner, CD, BN, GN, RE, TD), who strutted around the ring like a hound half his age. Three lovely young bitches vied for the Best in Sweepstakes, and the winner was Quiet Creek's All In At Heathers ("Seven"), owned by **Susan Lacroix Hamil** and **Heather Whitcomb**.

Next came the regular judging by one of our favorites, **Bill Russell**. **Bill** awarded Winners Bitch to McGuire's Good Golly Miss Molly of CNG owned by **Randy and Anne Greenlee, Barbara Copeland, Sherri McGuire,** and **Molly Nye**, and Reserve to Kocar's Leather and Lace, owned by

**Pat Moffitt** and **Tina Kocar**. Dear "Jasper" took another lap around the ring to receive the Veteran Dog class. Finally our lovely group of 10 specials entered the ring. After careful examination and observation of each one, as well as the Winners Bitch and Veteran Dog, Best of Breed went to GCh Quiet Creek's Limited Edition ("Bob") owned by **Susan Hamil**,

and Best Opposite to Ch. Hunterhound The Grail Maiden ("Saidee") owned by **Aldo and Diane Branch** and **Tony and Mary Ginter**. "Jasper" was Select Dog, and Ch. McGuire's Queen of the Hop ("Bunny") Select Bitch. Awards of Merit went to GCh M&M's Price of Freedom

("Morgan") owned by **Randy and Anne Greenlee** and **Molly Nye**, GCh Badgershill Muldoon of Heather, MTI ("Muldoon") owned by **Lyn Sherman**, and Ch Loamy Lane's McKinney ("Mack") owned by **Pam and Juancho Herranz**.

After judging and official photos, everyone had time to relax and visit until we met for a specialty dinner at the amazing *Tres Piños Inn*, a few miles from the show site.



**Jackie Knapp** and "Jezebel"



**Malina Tzartzanis**  
with "Mack"

**Lyn Sherman** made all the arrangements for this wonderful evening. Our group filled the restaurant's banquet room; the food and the service were magnificent! It was delightful to spend this laid-back evening with good old friends and new ones and all seemed to enjoy themselves...the perfect end to our specialty day.



Bloodhounds West and ABC club meeting

**SATURDAY** Saturday and Sunday were ABC supported entry events with Gavilan KC all-breed shows. On Saturday our judge was **Linda Moore**, and her winners were "Seven" for Winners Bitch, "Bob" and "Saidee" for BOB and BOS, with **Lisa Jones'** Ch Quiet Creek's Blarney Stone ("Luke") and **Sherri McGuire's** "Bunny" getting the Selects. "Bob" went on to a Hound Group 3 and "Saidee" to a NOHS Hound Group 4 that afternoon!

After judging on Saturday we had a catered lunch and more great snacks and beverages at our campsite, then Bloodhounds West and ABC club meetings. Finally, winning tickets were drawn for the fantastic raffle baskets and a beautiful custom quilt donated by member and textile artist **Sue Springer**. The quilt was won by **Aldo and Diane Branch**, and several members took home baskets of goodies including **Randy Greenlee, Sherri McGuire, and Pat Moffitt**.

**SUNDAY** Sunday's judge was **Alan Odom**, and his winners were "Seven" for Winners Bitch and BOB, "Bob" for BOS, "Mack" and "Saidee" for Selects. "Saidee" and **Diane** went on to a NOHS Hound Group 2 to top off their successful weekend!

We also were lucky enough to have two hound judges attend for education, mentoring, and the opportunity to put their hands on such a lovely group of dogs. **Susan Hamil, Lyn Sherman,** and



**Bill Russell, Bruce Schultz** with "Bob", and **Suzi Paine**

Ken O'Brien photo

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*Myron Robb with Sylvia Rolandi and "Seven"*

**Suzi Paine** all provided educational opportunities for these Bloodhound judges-in-training; we so appreciate those judges who make extra efforts to learn about our unique breed!

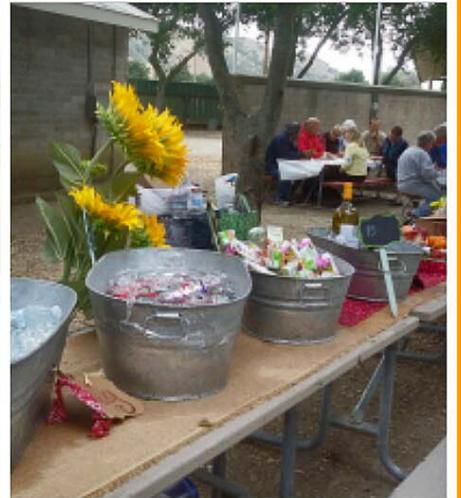
Thanks to our judges, to *Gavilan Kennel Club, BaRay Event Services, and Tina Kocar* for their parts in this event. Thanks as well to all our exhibitors for joining us, and to all the club members who worked so hard to make this a warm and wonderful weekend full of great collaboration, teamwork, and fellowship. I've never worked with a greater group of people, and am honored to be among you.

*Until next year - Keep On Truckin'*



# Southwest Regional Photographs

Taken and arranged by *Elaine Marshall*



Saturday, May 7, 2016

Tres Piños, CA

## Northwest Regional Specialty

**Pacific Rim Bloodhound Club will be hosting  
the ABC Northwest Regional Specialty  
in conjunction with**

### **Olympic Kennel Club Show!**

**4 days, 10,000 dogs: Enumclaw Expo Center  
AUGUST 18 -21, 2016**



*Photos by Jerry and Lois Photography*

**Designated Specialty on Saturday, August 20, 2016  
Supported Entry on Sunday, August 21, 2016  
at the Enumclaw Expo Center in Enumclaw, WA  
*Watch for the premium in June!***

**And don't miss the 9<sup>th</sup> Annual  
Clyde Reed Memorial Trailing Trial  
to be held concurrently, August 19-21, 2016!**



# ABC Agility Trial

by *Kay Schmitt*

Pouring rain all weekend long didn't dampen (pun intended!) the fun at the **fourth ABC Agility Trial** at the *Sonoma County Fairgrounds* on March 11, 12, and 13.

The *Lyttle Cow Palace* on the fairgrounds has a dirt floor but is covered and it's large enough to hold two large agility rings. Walls that can be raised or lowered are left down on the west side to allow us to set up breakfast coffee and doughnuts in the mornings and lunch for the workers who man the agility equipment. Most of the workers are also putting their dogs through their paces in the rings between setups.

Friday morning starts early for **Lynda Tjarks**, the Trial Secretary. Her large trailer pulls up around 6:00 AM to be ready for the first walk-throughs and runs at 8:30. The runs continue until about 3:00 PM with the two AKC Agility Trial judges each managing a ring. **Pat Moffitt** and **Kathleen Brown** were on board to help set up and host the breakfast and lunch service.



"Honey"

## Agility Trial Report

Revenue:	\$4,525.00
Expenses:	\$3,146.74
Gross profit:	\$1,378.26
10% ABC fee:	\$ 137.83
BWNC net profit:	\$1,240.43

We had the largest entries on Saturday. With **Pat Moffitt**,

**Elaine and Gary Marshall**, and **Diane and Aldo Branch** arriving with their bloodhounds, a "Meet the Breed" took place at our setup. **Aldo** put up the new *Bloodhounds West* banner. **Pat's** puppy, "Lacey," modeled her stylish winter coat. The **Marshalls** brought all four of their bloodhounds, "Darla, Denali, Diamond and Dakota." The **Branchs**, with "Saidee and Belle," came on Sunday as well.

When the dog toys donated by **Tina Kocar** were set out, we were all mobbed by folks grabbing handfuls to buy. Over \$200 was raised by the *Northern California Bloodhound Rescue*. We had gently used hard-cover books on sale with not much interest this year in those, however.

We plan to continue sponsoring this agility trial on a yearly basis. With the approval of the ABC Board, the AKC, and **Lynda Tjarks**, we have marked the second three-day weekend in March as "ours".



"Honey"

Photos from *Evelyn Jones*

## Ch. Nunya's MGH This Spud's For U

Portrait by **Kenneth Moore**



**Ch. Nunya's MGH This Spud's For U, EECT      September 17, 2004 – April 23, 2016**

I was privileged to share my life with this sweet, funny boy for over ten years of his life. He loved to swim, was crazy about carrots and celery, and always wanted to be in the same room with me. He had a difficult childhood and when he came to live with me at 15 months, I vowed to him that his life was going to be nothing but beautiful from then on. And it was. He had a good long life but it was still not long enough for me. I will miss him always, until we meet again at the Bridge. – **Suzi Paine**

Goodnight Sweet Prince, may flights of angels sing thee to thy rest.

Owned and Adored by **Suzi Paine**

Bred and Co-Owned by **Stacey Poler**

## Bloodhound Support

### “The Banjo Memorial Fund” by *Cindi Sims*

Many of you may wonder what **The Banjo Fund** is - I'll tell you how it all began.

We all have special hounds and I had one back in 2005 called “Banjo” (CH Misty-Trails Dawns Banjo Tracker, CD TD). She was my first Bloodhound. I bred her to a beautiful Bloodhound in our club hoping for a litter of healthy pups. Did everything I was supposed to: vet visits, supplements, X-rays, ultrasound.

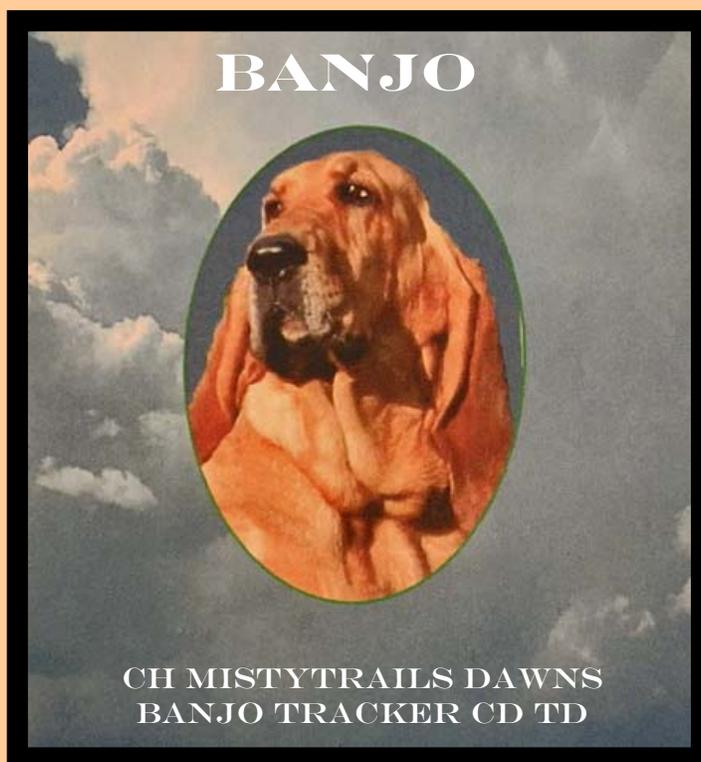
“Banjo’s” litter was due in three weeks when she started running a high fever. Blood work came back way off. The vet started IVs and we brought her to an emergency clinic that could better treat her. We discovered “Banjo” had contracted immune-mediated hemolytic anemia. She was on a fetal monitor and we could watch the puppies who didn't seem under stress. We were hoping to keep “Banjo” comfortable and alive long enough to take the puppies by C-section.

“Banjo” fought a hard fight but I could see that it was time. She went peacefully along with her eight puppies on February 25th. I was devastated. “Banjo” was my device dog. “Banjo” was later nominated for an AKC ACE award and received honorable mention.

Due to the high medical bills I acquired during this time, Bloodhounds West set up a memorial fund for Banjo and made a large donation. Then began a tremendous out-pouring of support, financially and emotionally. It was amazing. People I didn't even know shared my grief and offered support.

After helping pay the vet bills, Bloodhounds West used the balance of money to form **The Banjo Memorial Fund**. A percentage of anything I sell in the Bloodhound Boutique or through embroidery always goes to the fund and some people donate also.

If ever you know anyone who is having a great hardship and can't cover the cost of vet bills, please let us know so we can help in anyway we can.



I treasure your memories, “Banjo.”

## Bloodhounds in Advertising

### *Courvoisier Cognac XO Vintage Print Ad*

This is a 1988 magazine ad for Courvoisier XO cognac. The ad, measuring about 11" x 8" overall, featured a black and tan bloodhound resting by the fire. Copies of the ad are occasionally offered for sale on Ebay.

You've been working like one for years,  
it's time you threw yourself a bone.

Now that you've made it to the top, it's time you rewarded yourself with a bottle of our finest cognac. True, Courvoisier XO may cost about \$100, but that's nothing compared to the dues you've already paid.

To send a gift of Courvoisier XO anywhere in the U.S., call 1-800-238-4373.  
Void where prohibited by law. © 1988 Taylor & Co., Miami, FL.

COURVOISIER XO  
Le Cognac des Superieurs

#### **Emmanuel**

**Courvoisier** started a wine and spirit company in 1809 to guarantee the very finest cognac, a brandy produced by doubly distilling white wines. The grapes must be grown in any of the designated

growing areas around the town of Cognac, a region in western France a couple hundred miles southwest of Paris. The oldest known bottle of Courvoisier, dating back to 1789, was offered for sale by Harrod's for \$120,000. *It's not known if **Mr. Courvoisier** kept any **bloodhounds** back then.*

(Sources: Wikipedia and Ebay)

## Whelping Box

**Keepsake Bloodhounds** is pleased to report a lovable litter of playful puppies whelped April 12: two boys and six girls, all gorgeous black & tans. Sire is *Ch. PineHollows Zaquiri Ice (Zaq)* and Dam is *Ch. Ridgerunner Constant Comment (CoCo)*. Photo shows their second day outside.

Bloodhounds West member **Kathy Brown** says, “The first two placements are promised co-ownerships with junior handlers. One of the junior handlers is **Lily Murray**, who fell in love with “Zaq” and handled him. The other is **Jessica Dickson’s** daughter **Haley** – she’s a newbie, but I was impressed when I got to work with her and “Isaac” – she stayed relaxed, paid attention, and that big boy stayed focused on her the entire time. I understand there are only five junior handlers showing Bloodhounds nationwide. After taking “Zaq” in the ring, **Lilly** picked up several additional breeds. I think it’s important to show that Bloodhounds are willing partners for the girls. One or both pups may end up at my house, which is fine with me.



“I know there are at least four nice bloodhound boys out there not being shown - starting in mid-October, these junior handlers will need competition and we will finally have points worth competing for, so please come on back to the ring!

“The puppies are old enough now to have kisses ready at all times. Anything hands-on is cause for a mob scene. They are actively using their noses to beat the other guys to the fullest food or milk dish. And they trust what they see, too. The pups are wonderful – but I could just be kennel-blind!”

*(Editor’s note: my “Basker” is their aunt)*

## Bloodhounds in the News

FLORIEN, LA **Eli Alcock**, just three years old, reportedly wandered away from his house on a late February afternoon. "Imagining never seeing him again...never hearing him again. Just the reality of what was happening, I mean, it was hard," **Lindsay Alcock**, **Eli's** mother, told television station KPLC.

Enter **Doug Downs**, a local pastor, and his trusty bloodhound, "Honey," who has quite the reputation for having a keen sense of smell. **Downs** was contacted, with hopes the canine could be of some help. He admitted it may have been a bit of a long shot as "Honey's" only real experience at tracking has been while out hunting deer, but he says he wanted to help in whatever way he could.

After several hours of searching, little **Eli** was found safe in the woods behind his home. And it was "Honey" who led searchers to the boy. (**Scottie Hunter**, KPLCTV.com)



BATAVIA, NY For the first time in 21 years, New York State Police Troop A, who cover many portions of western New York, have a bloodhound.

Law enforcement officers' need for bloodhounds increased after the escape of convicts **Richard Matt** and **David Sweat** from Clinton Correctional Facility in 2015 (see "Bloodhounds and Pepper" in the December 2015 *BONCKERS*).

The canine pictured is 11-month-old "Paris," one of four new animals in the NYS Troopers Agency. She was named after **Trooper Ricky Parisian**, who lost his life while off duty in 1994. Parisian was trying to stop an armed robbery in an Oneonta grocery store at the time of his death. (**Evan Anstey**, WIVB.com)



BROWARD CO., FL Holding onto a 15-foot leash, Broward Sheriff's Office **Deputy Ashley Joy** cheered on her 19-month-old bloodhound, "Amber," as she sniffed the ground, tracking one particular scent. With a whiff of a pillowcase or a piece of clothing, the bloodhounds from the sheriff's office put their noses to the ground and immediately start trailing the scent of missing and endangered people.

Unlike other police dogs, who sniff out bombs, drugs, jail contraband and fugitives, the bloodhounds are on a mission to search the most vulnerable missing people — children, people with mental health issues and the elderly.

"Bloodhounds don't do any bite work, they are extremely friendly," said **Deputy Kevin Bolling**. "The dogs are used exclusively to find at-risk missing people, not criminals."

"This specific position with the bloodhounds is very rewarding," **Joy** said. "When returning children to parents or any kind of loved one...the kind of gratitude you get is indescribable. We show up with the dogs, we take a scent article — a piece of clothing, a hairbrush, a toothbrush—something that's exclusive to that person and then we set the dog up and we trail them and all the resources start going that way. Our aviation unit and everyone can help find them quicker," **Bolling** said.

"When you bring the bloodhound out, you're looking for the kid and all you're thinking is, 'Please, please, let me find this kid,'" **Joy** said. "That's all that's going through your mind."

All the sheriff's office bloodhounds were donated by the **Jimmy Ryce Center**, a foundation created by the parents of the 10-year-old Miami-Dade boy who was abducted and killed in 1995. Since its inception, the foundation has donated 600 bloodhounds to law enforcement agencies to help find abducted and lost children.

"We have seen a dramatic increase in requests for bloodhounds from agencies around the country," said **Mark Young**, chairman of the foundation. "The bloodhound can do a lot of things that another canines cannot do." (**Rebeca Piccardo**, Sun-Sentinal.com)



PALM COAST, FL **Mark Tardino** has participated in thousands of search and rescue efforts in the 22 years he's handled bloodhounds for the K-9 unit at Tomoka Correctional Institution.

In early March, the Tomoka unit led a seven-man crew that, within minutes, helped locate an unconscious woman in a wooded area at Waterfront Park in Palm Coast. **Doreen Marie O'Connor**, 50, was reported missing by worried family members Tuesday morning, prompting a full-scale multi-agency response.

That's when they called in the bloodhound unit



from Tomoka. **Tardino** said they retrieved **O'Connor's** scent from a piece of clothing in her vehicle and laid down a track in an area where a transient man told deputies he'd seen **O'Connor** earlier in the day.

**Tardino**, who heads up the Tomoka canine platoon, was the officer who first spotted **O'Connor**. He was led there by the snout of "Wyatt," a 7-year-old bloodhound. It took "Wyatt" less than 30 minutes to lead **Tardino's** team to **O'Connor's** unconscious body laid out in the woods near a paved trail. Flagler County Sheriff's Office officials said "Wyatt" effectively saved **O'Connor's** life.

"That's a good feeling in our hearts to come out of the woods knowing that somebody's coming out alive," **Tardino** said. "Sometimes it doesn't happen that way. But it gives us a good feeling in our hearts. And this is why we do this job. That's our reward, to make sure that person comes out alive." (**Matt Bruce**, news-journalonline.com)



WOODBURY, CT A specially trained state police bloodhound named “Texas” helped locate an 89-year-old woman suffering from Alzheimer’s after she disappeared from her home the night before.

State police said they were called to a residence on Good Hill Road around 5:40 p.m. for a report of the missing woman, who family members said was suffering from Alzheimer’s and had disappeared.

State police, volunteer firefighters and a state police German Shepherd were called to the scene to help search for the woman, but a state police helicopter was unable to fly and aid in the search due to the rainy weather, state police said.

A state police bloodhound named “Texas” and its handler, **Kerry Halligan**, were called to the scene and after about 40 minutes of searching found the woman in “thick brush” about a quarter mile from her home, state police said. The woman was disoriented and appeared to be suffering from hypothermia, state police said. She was taken by ambulance to a local hospital.

In a statement about the incident, state police said bloodhounds are an invaluable tool because “they can pick up where patrol dogs leave off. They can follow older tracks with a higher percentage of success and are able to start a trail in a contaminated area due to their superior olfactory system and inherent tracking ability.” (**David Moran**, *Hartford Courant*)



## Bloodhound Rescue Story

By **Carly Worden**

I adopted “Erma” on 12/23/15. I found her photo on [rescueme.org](http://rescueme.org) a few months prior and simply fell in love with her beautiful face. After my application was accepted, I had to wait until my work closed for the holidays before I could make the drive up to Chico to get her. To avoid driving all 14 hours in one day, I headed up the day before with my faithful 12-year-old Pomeranian, “Rusty,” as my co-pilot and we stayed in an Airbnb that night.

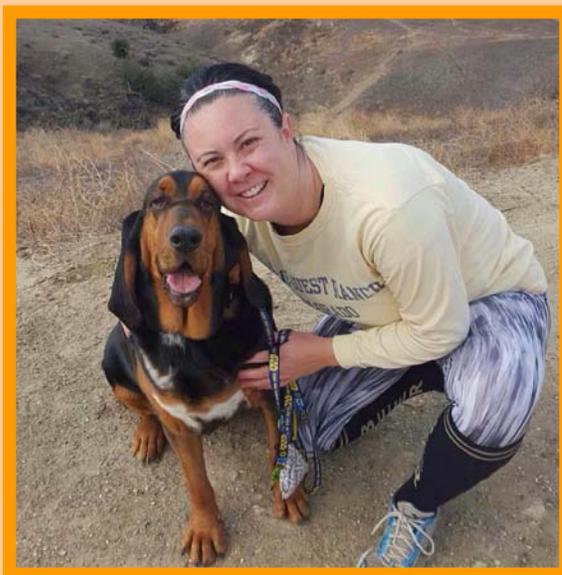


The next day I met **Jamie** at the dog park and she brought “Erma” and “Annie” for me to meet. “Erma” was just as I expected but even cuter than her photos and she was so soft!!! “Erma” was a trooper riding in the car all the way home with me that day for 7 hours. (Here’s a picture of her curled up in my front seat on that trip. Not the safest option so I eventually got her to move to the back seat once we made a pit stop).

My husband and I brought all three of our dogs to my mom's for Christmas two days later: “Erma,” “Rusty,” and our 15-year-old black lab, “Logan.” “Erma” quickly proved to us that she loves the water by jumping into my mom's pool shortly after we arrived.

These past 3+ months with “Erma” have just been so amazing. She's my eager hiking buddy - one of the reasons I wanted to adopt her was so I could hike again (my other two dogs are too old now). We go on five-mile hikes and I swear she could do five more! I've taken her to the off-leash dog beach that she just loves. It's so much fun to see her play in the ocean!

We're going camping in two weeks for my birthday and I'm so excited to see her in that environment as well. “Erma” has quickly



become my best friend and I can't imagine life without her. I am truly lucky to have found her online and so thankful for **Jamie** who took such great care of her in rescue. I can't wait for “Erma” to start participating in *Northern California Bloodhound Rescue* trailing events and to meet bloodhound friends!

## Bloodhounds in Art

**Briton Rivière** (1840 - 1920) was a British artist who exhibited a variety of paintings at the Royal Academy, but devoted much of his life to animal paintings. This same artist painted "*Requiescat*" (a bloodhound sitting faithfully at his master's funeral) shown in September 2015 *BONCKERS*. This painting, titled "Naughty Boy or Compulsory Education," is held in a private collection; prints may be purchased through Bridgeman Images, Los Angeles.



(Source: Wikipedia and bridgemanimages.com)

## Bloodhound Ambassador



In early March, Bloodhounds West member and AKC Canine Ambassador **Pat Moffitt** and her faithful bloodhound “Player” were at Grant Elementary School in Petaluma to tutor Second through Fourth Grade reading.



In May, **Pat** and her young bloodhound “Lacey” were at the Graton Fire Department for a pancake breakfast and “meet and greet” with the public. Later they were aboard the Sonoma Sheriff’s patrol boat on the Petaluma River. **Pat** said this required “Lacey” to navigate some steep steps onboard the boat but she made it.

## April Trailing Camp

By **Aldo Branch**

On April 9th and 10th, *Bloodhounds West* held a trailing camp for beginners. The weather was gray and rainy and the ground was wet. However, the bloodhounds and handlers were enthusiastic and ready to train. **Denise** and **Joe Planeta's** "Maya" was our only absolute beginner bloodhound/handler team. A Mendocino County Sheriff's K9 unit made up of Deputy **Ryan Murdaugh** and his bloodhound "Red" were our other beginning team. "Red" had done some mantrailing training with his previous handler, but **Ryan** was recently assigned "Red" when "Red's" former handler retired from the Sheriff's office. **Gary** and **Elaine Marshall's** "Darla," **Nona Perez'** "Daisy," and **Diane** and my "Saidee" also participated at the camp.



Proud new EECT teams: **Elaine and Gary Marshall** with "Darla," chief trainer **Pat Moffitt**, and **Joe and Denise Planeta** with "Maya."

runners. We worked on watching for "head pops" and learning to read the dogs' body language to determine if they were on or off the trail. All of the hounds did really well. Despite being beginners, "Maya" and **Denise** picked up the game quickly.

On **Sunday**, we again ran some practice trails before the "Maya"/**Denise** and "Darla"/**Gary** teams made their attempts at passing the EECT test. The EECT test is approximately one-quarter mile long and between one and two hours old. It is designed to test

On **Saturday**, we ran several short "puppy trails" to build drive and get the hounds warmed up. All performed well and were eager to run some real trails. The rest of the day was spent laying trails and having the bloodhounds practice finding their



Bloodhound Happiness

the basic mantrailing instinct of the dog, and is needed to enter mantrailing trials. **Both “Maya” and “Darla” passed with flying colors!** Congratulations to them and their handlers. Now they can start preparing for our Trailing Trial in November.



Photos by Nona Perez

Bloodhounds “Red,” “Darla,” “Maya,” “Saidee,” “Belle,” and “Daisy” with their handlers, trainers, and runners.



Ted Taylor photo (shooting “for hire” since 1958)

## AKC June Tracking Camp



It is not too late to sign up for a Bloodhounds West tracking camp to be held on June 4 and 5 in San Jose – but hurry. Member **Barbara Adcock** has agreed to train us on the fundamentals of **AKC regulation tracking**, which differs from **ABC mantrailing** in that your bloodhound will need to stay on the exact trail and must identify scent articles dropped at the end of the trail or along the way, depending on the test level. The tracks have to meet certain layout requirements, and there will be no person hiding at the end of the trail. See "Tracking vs. Trailing" on the next page for more on the differences.

We will meet at Evergreen Valley College, Student Parking Lot 7, located at

3095 Yerba Buena Road, San Jose, CA 95135. We will start at 8 a.m. The college charges a \$3.00 day use fee for the parking lot on Saturday (bring three one-dollar bills for the machine). There is no parking fee on Sunday.

The fee for the camp is \$35 per dog for one day, or \$50 per dog if you attend both days (make checks payable to Bloodhounds West). We are actively exploring the possibility of hosting a specialty tracking test next year which will give bloodhounds entry priority over other breeds. We will use all camp proceeds to support a Bloodhounds West, Northern Chapter, tracking test.

Be prepared for warm weather (upper 70's). Have water and possibly a cool coat for your dog if he/she tends to overheat easily. We will break for a no-host lunch about midway.



Photos by Nona Perez

Please let me know soon if you would like to attend.

**Aldo Branch**

# Tracking vs. Trailing

by *Jan Rothwell*, ABC Trailing Regulations Chair

There is always confusion and misunderstanding regarding the differences between tracking and trailing. Although there are similarities, they both require a dog, a harness, and a handler. They both have three levels of competition, but the sports differ from there.

**The definition of tracking** as stated in the AKC tracking regulations is as follows: The purpose of the tracking test is to demonstrate the dog's ability to recognize and follow human scent, a skill that is useful in the service of mankind.

**The definition of trailing** as stated in the ABC trailing standard is as follows: The purpose of a trailing trial is to certify the Bloodhound's abilities for trailing and correctly identifying a specific person in a field setting. I would probably amend the ABC trailing standard to include the ability of a dog to "scent discriminate" as this is truly what our Bloodhounds excel at.



*Susan Hamil and Evelyn Jones' "Cricket" has earned an MT and a TD.*



*Mike McMillan's "Basker" has earned an MT and a TD.*

I offer the following as my definitions of the two sports. It is important to remember we are talking about the sport of tracking and trailing. I label myself as the ultimate hobbyist when it comes to trailing!

**Tracking is a test of the dog's ability to follow human scent and identify articles along the way.** A track (depending on the test level) can be from 1 hour old for a TD to 3-5 hours old for a TDX or VST. Tracks vary in length from 400 yards to 1,000 yards. Tracking tests the precision of the working dog. Cross runners are used on the TDX test but are not present at the end of the track. The measure and success of the test is to find the articles (gloves, wallets, socks, etc.).

**Trailing is a test of a dog's ability to distinguish and follow one person's scent and identify that person.** The trailing tests are 4-6 hours old for a MT, 8-18 hours old for a MTI and 24-36 hours old for a MTX. The length varies from 0.5 to 0.75 of a mile long Contamination is key and the MTX trail should be laid in a congested area such as in a public park or corporate center. Cross-runners are used on the MTI and MTX trails and the runners are located at the end of the trail. The dog must identify the correct runner. A trailing dog can air scent, ground scent, or use any other means to get from point "A" to point "B" the quickest and most efficient way possible.



*Susan Hamil and Evelyn Jones' "Honey" has earned an MT and a TD, TDU, and TDX.*

The big question? **Can a Bloodhound do both? Yes, but it ain't easy!** In my experience, Bloodhounds CAN track and do so quite well when trained in that discipline. I think those of us who try both tracking and trailing will tell you to have the tracking aspects firmly established before you try trailing. The unspoken word is that a tracking Bloodhound can trail but the trailing Bloodhound cannot always track, although I believe cannot track should read "WILL NOT" track!



*Jan Rothwell's "Caleb" has earned an MT, MTI, MTX, and a TD.*

A wise person once told me to get my Bloodhound understanding "tracking" before they turned into a Bloodhound! She was right. So, give one or both a try. My greatest pleasure is seeing my dogs in harness doing what they do best! And they do love it! After all, who's in charge at the end of a 30' lead? You got it, baby...the NOSE with the dog attached!

*(Reprinted with the author's permission from the Canadian Bloodhound Club's website:*

*<http://www.canadianbloodhoundclub.com/trailing-info> )*

<i>TRAILING</i>				
<b>American Bloodhound Club</b>				
	EECT	MT	MTI	MTX
Length (yds)	440	880-1320	880-1320	880-1320
Age (hrs)	1-2	4-6	8-18	24-36
Turns	0	1	2	2
End	1 runner	1 runner	2 runners, 15 ft apart	2 runners, 15 ft apart
Obstacles				3
Articles	none	none	none	none

<i>TRACKING</i>					
<b>American Kennel Club</b>					
	Certification	TD	TDU	TDX	VST
Length (yds)	440-500	440-500	400-500	800-1000	600-800
Age (hrs)	0.5-2	0.5-2	0.5-2	3-5	3-5
Turns	3-5	3-5	3-5	5-7	4-8
End	glove	glove	glove	glove	glove
Obstacles			10-30% non-veg	2	33-66% non-veg
Articles	1 start 1 end	1 start 1 end	1 start 1 midtrack 1 end	1 at start 2 midtrack 1 end	1 at start 2 midtrack 1 end
Article material	Start fabric, last glove or wallet	Start fabric, last glove or wallet	Fabric or leather, last glove or wallet	Fabric or leather, last glove or wallet	1 leather 1 plastic 1 metal 1 fabric

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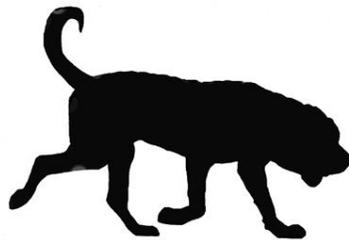
## Clyde Reed Memorial Trailing Trial

In conjunction with the  
2016 Northwest Regional Specialty,  
the ABC is sponsoring the  
9th Annual Clyde Reed Memorial Trailing Trial host-  
ed by the Pacific Rim Bloodhound Club  
in the Auburn/Enumclaw, Washington area  
August 19-21, 2016.

A maximum of 8 trails will be offered  
(all levels with a minimum of 2 MTs) over the  
course of the three-day period.  
EECTs may be requested and will be offered if  
time permits. Entries will open on June 20, 2016  
and close on July 20, 2016. Entries must be  
received by 5:00 pm on closing day.

***NO FAX OR E-MAIL ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED***

For additional details, please contact the Trailing  
Trial secretary, Lynn Harty ~  
[lharty@ewu.edu](mailto:lharty@ewu.edu) or (509) 922-9085



## Daisy Duke (2005 - 2015)

Bloodhounds West member **Carol Thompson's** beloved "Daisy Duke" recently reached the Rainbow Bridge. **Carol** reports, "The wonderful thing about my "Daisy" is that she



**Carol** and "Daisy Duke"

was only going to be my pet, but "Daisy" evolved into an incredible Search and Rescue dog! We earned our state certification from the *California Office of Emergency Services* as a trailing dog/handler team, we could be called out throughout the state if a trailing dog was needed, for directions of travel, lost/missing children, lost/missing adults, etc. And, of course, "Daisy" and I were the trailing K9 team for the *Sonoma County Sheriff's Search and Rescue team.*"

In a Dec. 5, 2015 email to county Search and Rescue members, Sonoma Sheriff's Sgt. **Dave Thompson** stated: "I am very sorry to announce that **Carol Thompson's** bloodhound, "Daisy Duke," has passed away extremely unexpectedly.

"Daisy Duke" was not acting right on Saturday morning and **Carol** took her to the vet. They discovered serious cancer issues in "Daisy's" spleen and liver areas. Initially, the veterinarian hoped to be able to remove the



"Daisy" and her Sheriff's badge

growths but, sadly, it was too extensive and they had to put “Daisy Duke” down after **Carol** was able to say good-bye. “Daisy Duke” was ten and-a-half years old.

“Daisy Duke” has been a part of the Sonoma County Search and Rescue (SAR) team for over six years since becoming State certified. “Daisy Duke” was a frequent presence at Windsor’s Foothill Park and Shiloh Ranch Park where she, **Carol**, and the SAR team loved to train. “Daisy Duke” and **Carol** have spent countless hours training together and responding on many searches over the years. “Daisy Duke” was instrumental in establishing a direction of travel for searchers looking for a despondent



“Daisy Duke” CGC, TDI

man in Sebastopol earlier this year. She also provided searchers direction when she gave **Carol** her tell-tale “head-pop” at the river’s edge during a search for a missing man along the river in Forestville in 2014. Additionally, “Daisy Duke” participated in many community events, parades and Hug-a-Tree children’s educational sessions throughout the area.

“My sincere condolences to her skilled handler and partner, **Carol Thompson**. We are truly grateful for “Daisy Duke’s” years of service to the Sonoma County Sheriff’s Office, the SAR team, and our community.

Daisy was also recognized by the Sonoma SAR Team: “The Sonoma County Sheriff’s Search and Rescue’s Highest

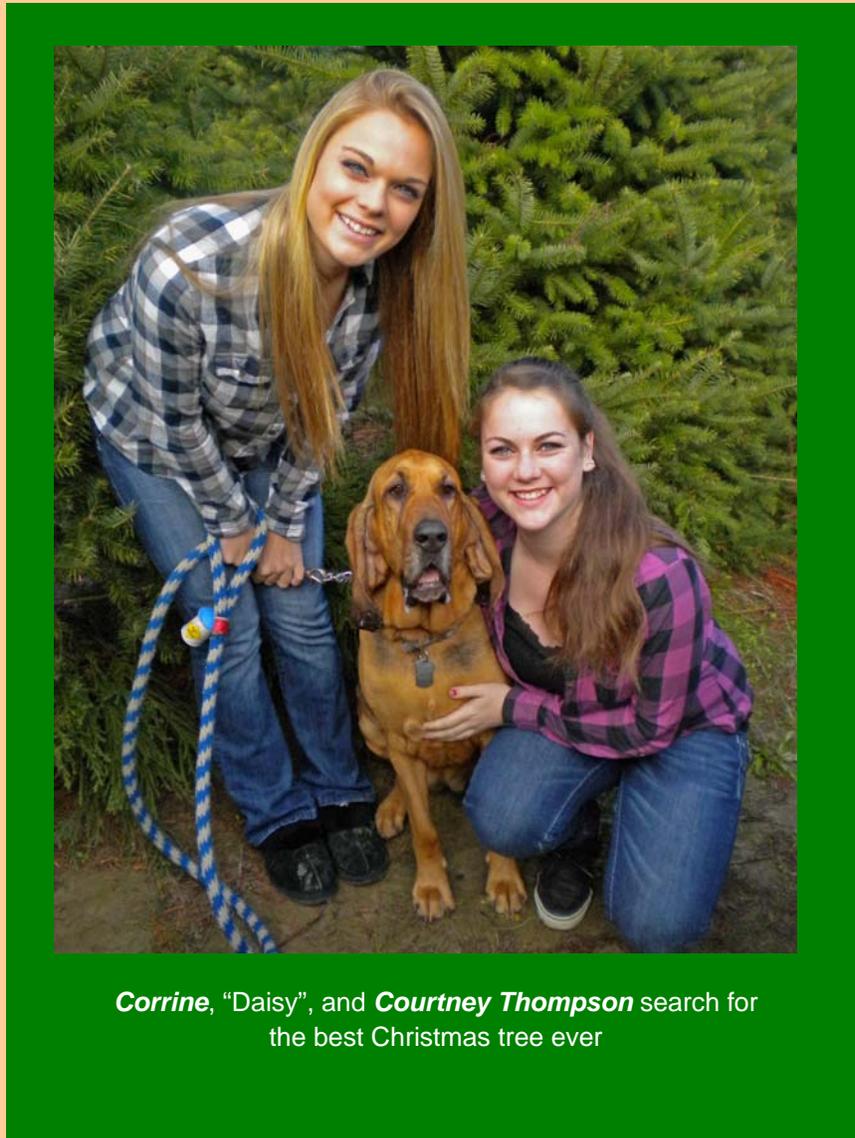
Honor, the Lifetime Achievement Award, goes to “Daisy Duke Thompson.” **Aristotle** said there is honor in being a dog. I will add that there is even greater honor in being a dog in service. So to our dear “Daisy Duke,” our hearts are broken. And while our team is only a little bit smaller, it is a lot less effective without you. You were a good girl. You worked hard and now you’ve completed your assignment. You can rest in peace.”

**Carol** stated “Daisy” was all that but also a wonderful family pet as well. “Daisy” earned her AKC CGC title as well as a TDI Therapy Dog Certificate and was volunteering for Schools of Hope, she would sit and young children would read to her.

Love and affection is clearly described in this passage **Carol’s** girls wrote about their “Daisy Duke” after she passed. *“We will never forget about our wrinkle faced, slobber-filled, and howling dog that was our “Daisy Duke.” From the very first day that we brought “Daisy” home to surprise mom who was at the time on jury duty, who knew that she would end up being not only an amazing family pet, but a successful state-certified Search and Rescue dog as well. Even with all the times that she got into the garbage, ate people food in a matter of seconds, or simply drooled EVERYWHERE, you couldn’t help but easily forgive her once you gave a good look at that “innocent” droopy face of hers. Her happy runs, long drool-filled kisses, and certainly vocal expressions of her*

*love for us, has showed us that dogs are the only thing on earth that love you more than they love themselves and for that we are blessed.*

*The sad truth now is that we will never have the same droopy face on the couch in the window quickly perking up to see that one of us is home or to greet us at the door as we walk in. However, let us always remember how lucky we are to have had something in our lives that makes saying goodbye so hard. **And, from the start, she made an impact on all of our hearts that will surely last forever.”***



**Corrine**, “Daisy”, and **Courtney Thompson** search for the best Christmas tree ever

## Bloodhounds in Literature

“**The Eve of St. Agnes**” is a poem of 42 stanzas written in 1819 by **John Keats** (1795-1821). It is widely considered to be among his finest poems and was influential in 19th century literature. The title comes from the evening before the feast of **Saint Agnes**, the patron saint of virgins, January 20. According to legend, young women often dream about their future husbands on this night.

Much like **Romeo and Juliet**, the poem features two lovers from warring families. On the eve of **St. Agnes**, **Porphyro** sneaks into the castle of **Madeline’s** family simply to observe her. Hidden in her bedroom, he watches as she prepares for bed and falls asleep. Finally, he can stand it no longer and wakes her from her dreams of him. **Madeline** awakens confused if this is a dream or reality. **Porphyro** declares his love for her and promises her a home with him over the southern moors if they can escape without detection from the castle.

In stanzas 40 and 41 shown below, **Porphyro and Madeline** are sneaking out of the castle past a drunken guard (“the Porter”) and an alert Bloodhound. The guard is no problem and the hound, fortunately, recognizes **Madeline** as a resident (“an inmate”) of the castle and doesn’t raise the alarm (Good dog!).

*She hurried at his words, beset with fears,  
For there were sleeping dragons all around,  
At glaring watch, perhaps, with ready spears—  
Down the wide stairs a darkling way they found.—  
In all the house was heard no human sound.  
A chain-droop'd lamp was flickering by each door;  
The arras, rich with horseman, hawk, and hound,  
Flutter'd in the besieging wind's uproar;  
And the long carpets rose along the gusty floor.*



*They glide, like phantoms, into the wide hall;  
Like phantoms to the iron porch they glide;  
Where lay the Porter, in uneasy sprawl,  
With a huge empty flagon by his side:  
The wakeful bloodhound rose, and shook his hide,  
But his sagacious eye an inmate owns:  
By one, and one, the bolts full easy slide:—  
The chains lie silent on the footworn stones;—  
The key turns, and the door upon its hinges groans.*

(Sources: Wikipedia, poem, and gradesaver.com)

# Bloodhound Newsletter

People are talking about *BONCKERS*

“Beautiful issue. Thank you so much! Gonna make our kids and grandkids read this issue as well as the last one.” **R.S.**

“I really want to congratulate you on a great newsletter.” **P.M.**

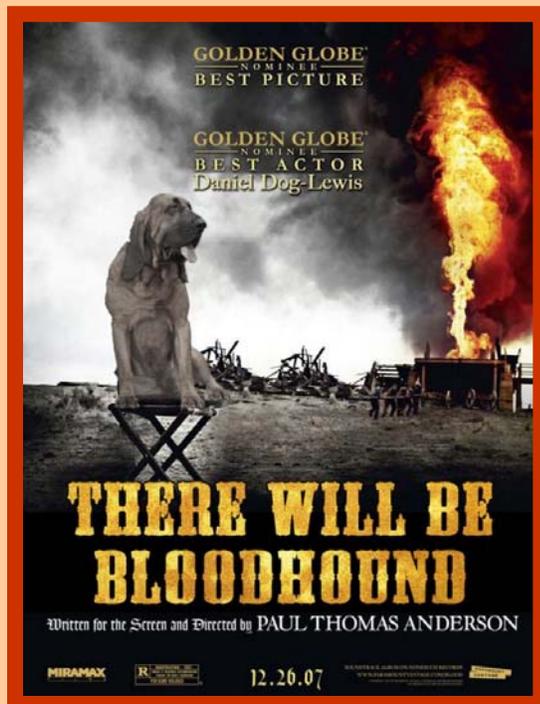
“I loved reading it and wanted to thank you for your hard and much appreciated work! Scentfully yours,” **C.R.**

“Another wonderful issue! Going to re-read it tomorrow! Thank you so very much!” **S.S.**

“The neat thing about *Bonkers* is that it’s more than we expect, every time.” **K.B.**

“Great congratulations, this is really terrific. I love the mention of the volunteer trail layers, the great pictures, and the stories of successful ‘finds.’” **S.M.**

Would you like to join in the fun, have your photos or stories appear in *BONCKERS*? Know a good dog joke? Find a neat bloodhound item on Amazon? We’d be happy to include almost any content related to bloodhounds. Just email your story or photo along with a brief caption to the editor, **Mike McMillan** [sar.bloodhound@gmail.com](mailto:sar.bloodhound@gmail.com)  
This is your newsletter, we’d love to hear from you.

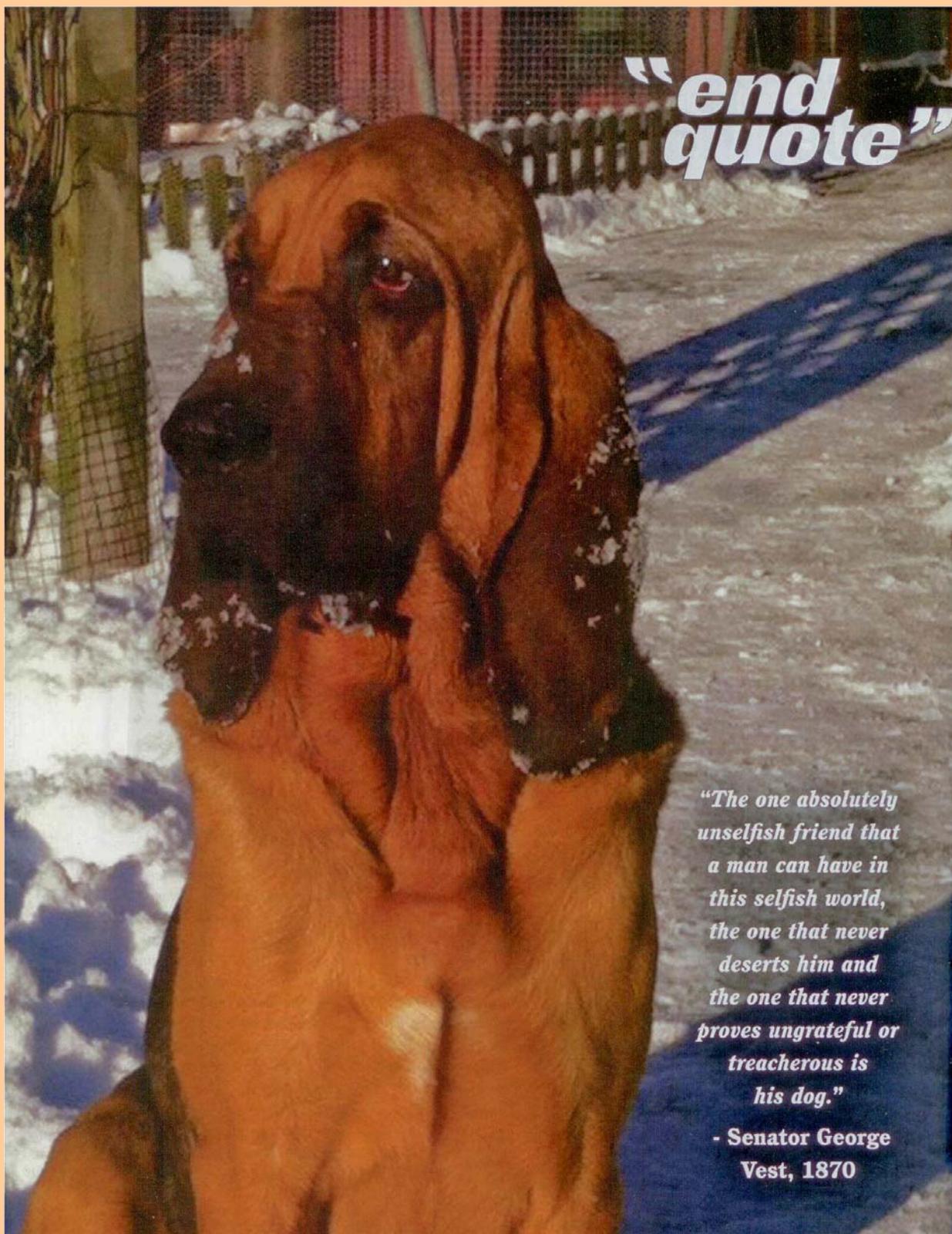


(Sources: blog.pup-culture.com and Wikipedia)

*There Will Be Blood* is a 2007 American epic drama film written and directed by **Paul Thomas Anderson** and starring **Daniel Day-Lewis** and **Paul Dano**. The film was inspired by **Upton Sinclair's** novel *Oil!* It tells the story of a silver miner-turned-oilman on a ruthless quest for wealth during Southern California's oil boom of the late 19th and early 20th centuries. The film was nominated for eight Academy Awards, including Best Picture, winning Best Actor for **Day-Lewis** and Best Cinematography for **Robert Elswit**.

*This is a slight modification of the playbill.*

## The Last Page



**“end  
quote”**

*“The one absolutely  
unselfish friend that  
a man can have in  
this selfish world,  
the one that never  
deserts him and  
the one that never  
proves ungrateful or  
treacherous is  
his dog.”*

**- Senator George  
Vest, 1870**

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## Membership Forms

On the following pages are:

### Membership Renewal Form (1 page)

Use this form when sending in your annual dues (\$25).

*Dues were due by January 31*

### New Member Application Form (2 pages)

Use this form to join Bloodhounds West, Northern Chapter.

*We gladly welcome new members to our club.*

## A Little Bloodhound Humor

What do you get when you cross a Bloodhound with a Labrador?

*A Blabador, a hound that howls incessantly.*

What do you get when you cross a Bloodhound with a Borzoi?

*A Bloody Bore, a hound that's not much fun to be with.*

What do you get when you cross a Bloodhound with a cheetah?

*A hound that chases cars and catches them.*

What happened to the Bloodhound who went to the flea circus?

*He stole the show.*

What happened to the Bloodhound who swallowed a firefly?

*She howled with de-light.*



Nona Perez photo

**Suzi Paine and Myron Robb's "Harriet" thinks these are funny**

# 2016 Membership Renewal Form

## *Bloodhounds West, Northern Chapter*

*Membership dues (\$25) are due on or before **January 31, 2016***

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Numbers:

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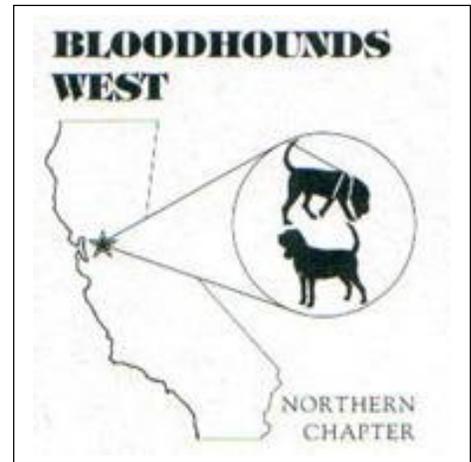
Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

Work: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

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Member Since: \_\_\_\_\_



Please list your bloodhound names, titles, and date of birth (or adoption date) here:

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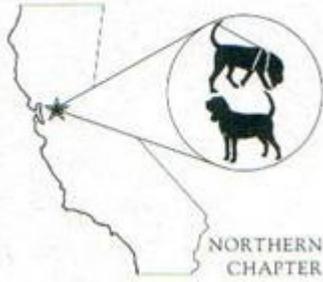
**Member's Signature** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

Please return this form and a check for \$25 (payable to Bloodhounds West) to:  
**Elaine Marshall** 21143 Ashfield Ave, Castro Valley, CA 94546

You may also submit your dues through Paypal at [BW4Paypal@aol.com](mailto:BW4Paypal@aol.com) (please enter your membership information in the Paypal comment section). If you renew via Paypal, please still send **Elaine** your renewal form showing any corrections, changes, or additions to your information.



**BLOODHOUNDS  
WEST**



**BLOODHOUNDS WEST, NORTHERN CHAPTER  
New Member Application**

Please use a separate application for each person. The new member application fee is listed below. Please provide the following information, then read and sign the second page.

**TYPE OF MEMBERSHIP:**

- Individual \$35.00       Family: \$35.00       Junior: \$25.00

**APPLICANT INFORMATION**

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE PROVIDE SPONSOR AND OTHER INFORMATION**

Known & sponsored by (please print): \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of sponsoring member: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Interests: Showing     Obedience/Rally     Trailing/Tracking     Pet

Animals in household: # \_\_\_\_\_ Bloodhounds # \_\_\_\_\_ Other breeds (List) \_\_\_\_\_

Other animals \_\_\_\_\_

I am interested in joining Bloodhounds West because: \_\_\_\_\_

**NEW APPLICANTS - PLEASE ALSO COMPLETE THE SECOND PAGE**  
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*For Club Use Only*

*Date of First Reading/Publish* \_\_\_\_\_ *Date Membership Accepted* \_\_\_\_\_

All new applicants must read, sign, and adhere to the *American Bloodhound Club Code of Ethics* shown below.

As a member of Bloodhounds West, Northern Chapter:

- ❖ I agree not to engage in the practice of providing any Bloodhound to any individual, commercial wholesaler, or retailer for the purpose of resale.
- ❖ I agree that if any Bloodhound on whose papers I am shown as either breeder or co-breeder becomes a part of any breed rescue program, that upon written notification either I will assume financial responsibility for those Bloodhound expenses to which I agree and assist the Rescue Chairperson in finding suitable placement, or I will resume custody of the Bloodhound.
- ❖ I agree that I will provide each buyer of our Bloodhounds with accurate records regarding pedigree and certificate of health including the name, address, and telephone number of the attending veterinarian.
- ❖ I agree not to promote indiscriminate breeding practices by using the advertising of availability of “breeding pairs”, “stud dogs”, or “bitches in whelp for sale” in my effort to sell my Bloodhounds.
- ❖ I agree not to release any puppy to its new owner prior to seven weeks of age or what the local ordinance states.
- ❖ I agree to act in a sportsmanlike manner and not deliberately degrade other exhibitors, breeders, or their dogs.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Please mail both pages of this form with a check (payable to Bloodhounds West) to:

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You may also submit your application fee through Paypal at **BW4Paypal@aol.com** (please enter your applicant information in the Paypal comment section). If you join via Paypal, please mail **Elaine** your two-page application form indicating payment was made on-line.

*New member applications will be acted upon at the next membership meeting of Bloodhounds West, Northern Chapter.*

