



## From Your President

Happy Spring, Bloodhounds West Members:

We are so blessed with the best weather ever for our Bloodhounds and their people as we enjoy our events together...Trailing Members are on a "roll" with one Trailing Trial behind them and another in the works. Word has it that the past Trial was an enormous success with many of our Northern Chapter Members coming down for trailing fun, food and camaraderie.

Next up our yearly "Spring Fling" Hound Classic (Western Hound) Conformation Show in Silverado, California on 4/11-4/12. It is a beautiful venue and we plan a Spring Luncheon mid-day. We will confirm our Lunchtime when we become aware of our show time.

We hope you will all join us for Honey Baked Ham/Honey Baked Turkey w/Croissants and all accompaniments, Potato Salad, Fresh Fruit, Deviled Eggs and Relish Plate, a Spring Cake and Sodas/Water. We are asking for a donation of \$12 per plate and would love to know if you accept our invitation. Please respond to Judy at : [bassetwalker@cox.net](mailto:bassetwalker@cox.net) or Lynne Aguirre at : <mailto:lacrackers@aol.com> You can send a check to Bloodhounds West per the attached Brochure or you can pay before lunch.

We will have a Spring Egg Basket filled with great prizes and a "Money" Egg for 50% of our take.

Following our Lunch and Egg Basket, we will have a General Membership Meeting and share our plans for the awesome (3) day Ventura Summerfest Show over the 4th of July weekend (7/3-7/5; also, our next Trailing activities and a planned Fun Day in the Fall.

# The Hound Express

## April 2015

### 2015 Officers:

President:	<b>Judy Walker</b> bassetwalker@cox.net
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### 2015 Directors:

Barb Copeland  
Evelyn Jones  
Diane Whitmore  
Jill Beniak  
Debbie Stephens

Please join us. The Luncheon and Meeting are open to Members and their friends. We will be asking for new Committee members as we are a growing Club that needs your help...no experience required.

Enjoy your Spring and hug your Bloodhounds.

Sincerely,

Judy Walker, President

### **Bloodhounds West – South First Annual Trailing Trial held March 21 and 22, 2015 Results**

We had four successful MT trails. My apologies to those teams as I have not been able to transfer the pictures I took. I will continue to work on that and post in next months newsletter as well as send you each a picture. I did not want to hold up the newsletter any more than we have. Full names will be in next newsletter.

Rick and Cyrus, MT  
Aldo and Belle, MT  
Ted and Daisy, MT  
Evelyn and Honey, MT

We would like to recognize and thank the remaining Bloodhounds and their handlers for participating in this trial and we look forward to seeing you obtain your titles in the future.

We also would like to thank our northern chapter members for coming down and supporting our trial. We look forward to their upcoming trial in November 2015.

Our first trial was a huge success. We had over 26 people in attendance and 8 Bloodhounds gave it their best. 2 MTI and 6 MT trails were laid. For those who did not pass they exhibited such wonderful good sportsmanlike conduct, learned from their experience and are looking forward to next time.

We give our thanks and appreciation to all who attended and contributed. Some brought food, supplies, good humor and wonderful Bloodhounds and it all made for good company, good friends and the thrill of the Bloodhound's Nose at its best.

A big thank you to Barb Copeland, the event secretary. She did an awesome job pulling this event together and keeping all of the paperwork, etc. in order. Great Job Barb!!

Barb and Dane also brought food for the dinners and donated that wonderful meat, ribs, tri tip, it was smoked and cooked to perfection by Dane Copeland. They also donated Sunday's breakfast of pancakes with a wonderful surprise inside – BACON!! Delicious.

And another thank you to Sherri McGuire for donating Saturday's breakfast of bisquits and gravy and chicken for Saturday nights dinner, along with other items she donated.

Lyn Sherman donated lunch on Saturday of sandwiches, salad, chips, cookies and drinks. What a wonderful lunch and a nice break between trails. Thank you Lyn!

Rick Smith and Randy Olsen were our logistics people and they did an amazing job. Water for the dogs, first aid kits for dogs and humans, vehicles ready and able to transport dogs, judges and handlers to and from the trails. Awesome job you two. Thank you!

Sue Sappok our Event Chair donated all of the continental breakfast items, paper goods and lots of water and sodas.

We only encountered one snake, nonpoisonous. It was discovered by Cyrus and Rick as they were working their trail. Cyrus did an awesome job in spotting it, jumping away, and alerting his handler and both judges to be careful. Cyrus saved the day!! 😊 Of course after that experience he was on the lookout for any more in the area. But he finished his trail, found the runner and it was a success with Cyrus and Rick successfully completing their trail and obtaining the title of Mantrailer

(MT). Congratulations. They did all of this while Rick's wife, Mae, was home recovering from a broken shoulder/arm and awaiting surgery. Way to go Rick for being able to put things aside and focus on the task at hand and allowing your Hound to do his best. We wish Mae the best and a successful surgery and speedy recovery. 😊

All in all it was a great trial for our first endeavor. Thanks to everyone who donated we even made money to go into the bank to be used for future trailing events!

**Thank you everyone for your support!!**



### **Trailing Committee:**

If you still need, or want to try for your EECT, please contact Sue Sappok and we will help you get a date to test.

If you have never trailed before we can help you get started.

The Trailing Committee would like to thank everyone who contributed to our trailing efforts for our ABC Sponsored Trailing Trial March 21 and 22, 2015.

Our Trailing Committee for 2015 consists of: Sue Sappok, Chair, Sherri McGuire, Barb Copeland, and Lyn Sherman.

Watch for upcoming trailing trials, Northwest in August, BW-North in November and we are also in the process of planning another trailing trial.

Rattlesnake Avoidance Classes – Bass Pro Shop, Rancho Cucamonga, CA. Memo was sent out with contact info. Singleton Rattlesnake Avoidance Classes. \$95. Whiskey and Sue are in a class May

23 at 11:15. Come and watch or sign up for a time slot that weekend.

Trailing Camps coming up in May, June and July sponsored by BW-North. Dates and contacts will be provided. In the meantime, call Sue Sappok if interested. (760) 954-8485

*Let them know of any nice parks, etc. in your area that we could practice trailing at so we can have practices each month that will accommodate all members. **Every Monday in the high desert there will be a trailing practice.** Contact Sue for time and locations. We are always searching for more areas in the Inland Empire for trailing activities and practices.*

**Membership Committee:** Sherri McGuire is handling all of the Club's membership responsibilities. Send your dues or questions about membership to Sherri at 17680 Linden St., Hesperia, CA 92345 (760) 964-7123; or [Halnbns@aol.com](mailto:Halnbns@aol.com).

If you have not renewed your membership to Bloodhounds West – South, this will be your last newsletter. Please contact Sherri McGuire directly to reapply for membership.

### **New Members:**

The Editor would like to apologize to Steve and Carol Boyd and their Bloodhound Jonah for changing Jonah's name to Joshua in the last newsletter. His correct name is Jonah...welcome!!

### **Birthdays/Anniversaries:**

None reported.

### **Brag:**

Let us celebrate with you. Send us your brags. Show results, special events just about anything

you would want to share with all of us. We would love to hear about them.

**Classified**

No ads submitted.

**Calendar of Events**

**April**

- 4,5 Apple Valley KC, Apple Valley
- 11,12 Western Hound Assoc./Silverado, CA
- 11 BW Board and Gen'l member meeting
- 16,17 Conejo KC, City of Industry, CA
- 18,19 Angeles Canyon Dog Club, City of Industry
- 25,26 Lake Matthews, Prado Reg'l Park

In case we miss something these are your show websites: Jack Bradshaw; Onofrio; InfoDog.

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**Over The Rainbow:**



No canine losses reported.



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Closing dates are the 20<sup>th</sup> of each month for the following months' publication. Newsletter will normally be completed and sent to all members after the 25th each month. Don't forget to check out our website: <http://bloodhoundswest.org>. We are also on Facebook.

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**RESCUE SECTION**



Please feel free to contact the rescue committee members via the Bloodhounds West web page at: [www.bloodhoundswest.org/rescue](http://www.bloodhoundswest.org/rescue) for further information!



The Hound Classic

Western Hound Association of So Cal

Bloodhounds West, Southern Chapter

2015 Spring Fling Celebration!

Saturday & Sunday, April 11 & 12

Oak Canyon Park, 5305 Santiago Canyon Road, Silverado (Orange County), Ca

We will have a setup just for the Bloodhounds where all of our fun events and our Spring Lunch will be held. Bring your set-ups so that you can park and spend time with all of us. Our Lunch is on Saturday, April 11<sup>th</sup>

We will also have a general membership meeting to discuss the Club's upcoming plans for the 2015 year and beyond, so everyone is encouraged to attend and bring their ideas. We have a GREAT CLUB and it's time to start playing together again.

An Easter Egg Game!

\$5 each or 3 for \$10

Everyone will have a chance to purchase colorful eggs with special prizes inside that include but not limited to: 50% of the money collected for the game, a free years dues to a current member, dog toys, people products, and many more. You will have the opportunity to buy all the eggs you want at the event.



Beautiful Trophies

For those showing hounds, we have beautiful trophies for our winners that include live orchids, candy, and special bloodhound items.



Luncheon: Saturday, April 11, 2015

Make your reservation by April 2, 2015 so we can make all of the necessary arrangements for food. Thank You!

Our meal will include Honeybaked Ham, Honeybaked Turkey Breast, Croissants or Rolls, Mayo/Mustard, Relish Plate, Fruit Platter, Lemon Spring Cake, Potato Salad and Soft Drinks.

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

# of Lunches: \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$12 each

Email or Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

You can pay for your meals and eggs at the event or send a check payable to BW, South to Lynne Aguirre, 1278 Bridgeport Road, Corona, CA 92882. You may also pay through PayPal at BW4PayPal@aol.com

General donation are greatly appreciated