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Your Newsletter is back! This will be a monthly publication. Closing dates are the 20th of each month for the following months' publication. Newsletter will 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.

Your Newsletter Editor is Sue Sappok, suesappok@yahoo.com or 760-954-8485.



From Your President:

As we all settle into 2014, we are planning a busy year. Our Indio Show at Palm Springs was "over the top" and we made great financial gains due to the hard work of many of our members.

We have added new members and we are planning many Supported Entries to bring our Breed together for showing fun and friendship and, adding, whenever possible, a trailing event. Sue Sappok, our Trailing Chairman, is getting us all ready for Trailing at the National Specialty in Sacramento in late September. We are coming together with the Northern Chapter to make this yearly event the best ever.

www.bloodhoundnational.com

Soon the On-Line Store will be available, which will offer opportunities to support the event with Trophies, Banquet Meals, Logo Clothing and many other items which can be pre-paid with Credit Cards and PayPal. There will soon be full

descriptions on all of the Events for National week on that site, as well. Thank you to our Vice President, Derek Thompson, for all of his hard work getting our Website and FB page in motion. Also check out www.bloodhoundswest.org to see what is going on with regard to all of our events locally. Mark your calendars way ahead for the Western Hound Classic in Silverado Canyon in mid-April. It will be our yearly "Spring Fling" with Supported Entries both days, Trailing and a Luncheon put on by Bloodhounds West.

May 10th, a Saturday, is planned for Fun Day at O'Neill Park in Trabuco Canyon...open to all Bloodhounds with a Barbecue cook-out and games galore. Gavilan Kennel Club will hold an ABC Supported Entry in May with Trailing in Hollister, California.

Then, at Ventura Fairgrounds, over the 4th of July will be our spot for a Supported Entry, "All American Bloodhound." And, of course, the ABC National Specialty in Sacramento, California from 9/28-10/3 followed by two (2) All Breed Shows at Donner Trail on 10/4-10/5.

We thank you, each and every one, for your support. Kiss your Bloodhounds and tell them every day how wonderful they are.

Judy



Judy and Gabriel at the Trailing Seminar

Westminster Dog Show 2014

"Nathan" and Heather Winning Group I



GCH Flessner's International S'cess (Nathan) and his co-owner Heather Buehner Helmer stole the show in the Hound Division. "Nathan" is owned by Shirley van Camp, Heather Buehner Helmer and Zack Helmer. Nathan took Best of Breed and Group 1 at Westminster Kennel Club on February 10 and 11, 2014. Nathan's very proud breeders are Bryan and Chris Flessner. They were up against some tough competition but this pair just shined.



"Nathan" was shown to perfection by his owner/handler, Heather Buehner Helmer. When the pair went into the Best in Show round under that spotlight – oh my – all of us were on the edge of our seats, holding our breath and sending Heather and Nathan all of our best wishes. This Editor's little 9 pound dog, Cookie, thought Sue was nuts for jumping up and down and yelling and hollering at the TV while she rooted the pair on in the Best in Show round. Whew... what a night! Bloodhound people are the greatest. So much support and encouragement from everyone!

Heather and Nathan – you did a great job and made us all PROUD. 😊

Congratulations to all owners, breeders and handlers and a special congratulations and hugs to Nathan!

Trailing Seminar Highlights February 15, 2014



Our first trailing seminar was a huge success! 15 humans and 9 Bloodhounds showed up for this event. We even had a chocolate Labrador and her handler wanting to participate and have some fun with us. Participants were given the basics on how to get started trailing. After an in-depth presentation by Sue Sappok we had our very special guest speaker, Lee Clifton and his Bloodhound, Brandy.



Sue and Whiskey

Lee Clifton and Brandy



Lee gave us his experiences and shared some great tips and suggestions. We then watched a very special and fast trailing demo. Boy does Brandy like to move out. Hang on Lee. We broke for lunch and discussions and then everyone had an opportunity to see how runaways are done and then each handler and dog practiced a couple of runaways. We had some slow and methodical bloodhounds, some very fast runners and a couple that were huh??? You want me to do what? Then get me a better treat. 😊



This trailing trio from the February 15th trailing seminar is looking forward to their next seminar on March 22nd. All three did awesome and so did their handlers.

Hound of the Month

Meet GCH McGuire's Elliott Ness



Trailers, Cyrus and Tucker, sharing thoughts...



Lee's grandson was the runner for our demo trail. He did a great job. Below, trailers, Tucker and Hedy.



Trailing Committee:



The next seminar's topic will be: How do I get my EECT and will be held on **March 22, 2014**. Watch for fliers or contact Sue at suesappok@yahoo.com for further information.



You could say my hunt for Elliott took me all the way to New York and back. After attending a Family Reunion in Minnesota, my daughter, Selena McGuire, and I decided to continue our trip to visit my older brother and his family in New York. We needed to stop in Oklahoma on the way home to check out some yearling horses for one of Selena's clients, so we decided to go the South route along Interstate 40. I had been joking (or so the family thought) for a few years that I wanted to get a Bloodhound and name him Elvis. Along our way home, we would stop and look through the classifieds for a Bloodhound. It wasn't until the day after we got home, while reading our local paper, that I find an ad for Bloodhound puppies for sale. I purchased and brought home a four month old female I named McGuire's Ellie Mae.

In 2007 I decided I wanted to purchase a male to breed to Ellie Mae and ending up negotiating with a local person to breed to his registered male. From that litter, I kept Elliott.

The following spring I went to watch the Bloodhound class at the Apple Valley Kennel Club dog show. I met and spoke to Lyn Sherman. She had me go home and get Elliott so she could see him. After she met him she suggested that I start showing him. The following year, again at the Apple Valley show, when I saw Lyn she asked about

Elliott and again suggested getting him into the show ring. I learned about handling classes being offered in Phelan and thought ok, we'll give it a try.

Elliott's first outing was in 2010 at the Apple Valley Kennel Club show. The first day was a mess. He sat down when the judge wanted to examine him and kept his tail tucked between his legs, but he was in the ring. The second day, he won BOB and I knew I was hooked. Unfortunately, due to a tragic family death, Elliott wasn't shown again until the following spring. When we starting showing again, I convinced my daughter to go with me, and show Elliott. They made a great team. I finally got the courage to take Elliott in the ring myself that summer.

Thanks to Elliott, I have a great (ever expanding) extended family. We have traveled near (Apple Valley) and far (New York). I can't leave the door to the truck open without him jumping in. He knows when I need to have him close. We all have one, he is my Heart.

Elliott, is owned by Sherri McGuire and was born on June 1, 2007. The photo shopped picture below is of Elliott at Times Square in New York, 2012 when they attended the 2012 Westminster Show.



(Send your photo(s) and story to the Editor to be Hound of the Month)

Membership Committee: Sherri McGuire will be handling all of the Club's membership responsibilities. Thank you to all members who have already gotten your dues in to Sherri. Send your dues or questions about membership to

Sherri at 17680 Linden St., Hesperia, CA 92345 (760) 964-7123; or Halnbns@aol.com.

New Members: There were new members voted in at the January meeting. They are Marti and Richard Secor. A big welcome to them, we are so glad to have you as members. Those that have applied for membership are: Jackie Nolan, Hedy & Alexander Liau, John Sidney and Jeanine Edwards. We are looking forward to all of our new and potential new members joining us and having fun with their Hounds. We also had a new person sign up to be a club member at the trailing seminar, Patrice (Patti) Taylor. We welcome her and look forward to all new members becoming a part of our club.

Birthdays/Anniversaries:

None reported for the month of March.

Support our Junior Handlers

Karissa Groves (granddaughter of David & Marlene Groves), started out a few years ago learning about dog showing with a miniature wirehaired dachshund and is excited to now be big enough to show a bloodhound.

Here is a photo from them at their first show together, where they took breed and looked marvelous in the group ring.



As all of us bloodhound people know, bloodhounds are not easy to show, so if you see her at a dog show, please give her your support & kudos!

Braggs:

Let us celebrate with you. Send us your braggs. Show results, special events just about anything you would want to share with all of us. We would love to hear about them. Small brag with no picture is \$2.00. Large brag with a picture is \$5.00. Send us those braggs.



Judy and Jeff Walker are proud to announce that their “Willow”, GCH Ripple Creek’s Wind in the Willows of Houndwalker took her first Best of Breed Award at the Orange Empire Show under Judge Harry Tufts on 1/26/2014. She was shown to perfection by Jackie Nolan. Congratulations to her Breeders, Bill and Claudette Lyons and her Co-Breeder, Michele McKinney.

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GCH M&M Price of Freedom (“Morgan”)

January Highlights

Morgan won Best of Breed at the Indio Show and again at the Orange Empire KC Show

February Highlights

Morgan won Group I **AND** Best of Breed at the Fresno KC Show

Morgan was presented and handled at all shows by Barb Copeland.

Morgan is owned by Randy and Anne Greenlee and Molly Nye

Don't forget:



The Beggin' Bucket

Every year at the American Bloodhound Club's (ABC) National Specialty, the top twenty show Bloodhounds are invited to join in the celebration of our Breed's finest. The Top Twenty Celebration was first celebrated at the 2005 National in the Northwest; the concept continued to evolve, and just last year, it became an official ABC event. Our own Lyn Sherman is the ABC National Top Twenty Director.

Part of the celebration is the participation of each of the recognized breed clubs from the six regions of the ABC, Bloodhounds West, Northern and Southern Chapters (SW), the Pacific Rim Bloodhound Club (NW), the South Central Bloodhound Club (SC), the Colonial Bloodhound Club (NE), the South Eastern Bloodhound Club (SE), and the Prairieland Bloodhound Club (NC), have supported the efforts of the hosting Clubs by

donating a special basket for raffle held during the event.

Bloodhounds West, has traditionally put together a gift card basket. We've had a flower pot with the gift cards as the flowers, a basket filled with gift cards, a fancy wrapped present of gift cards. Our baskets have averaged \$200 - \$300 in cards, and the winners have all been ecstatic. So let's not disappoint! We have always emphasized getting cards that can be used anywhere in the USA, and Canada, i.e., Visa or MasterCard, Starbucks, Home Depot, Walmart, Target, McDonalds, etc. If everyone would pick up a card now and then, while out and about, over the next 8 months you will be astonished at the final tally of all the cards.

Don't forget to plan for:



**The ABC 2014 National Specialty Event
Southwest Regional/Plus Two Supported
Entry Events**

For more detailed information go to the National website (www.bloodhoundnational.com) for the entire flier for the Nationals. More information will be posted in this Newsletter next month and the following months. Start your plans now and make your reservations at the Lion's Gate Hotel and Conference Center if you haven't already. (916-643-6222, Ext 0)

Classified

We will be running this section for you to advertise your business, services, things for sale, etc. The cost to run an ad is \$2.00. Business cards are \$3.00 and larger ads are \$5.00. The cost covers one month in the Newsletter. If you have anything that you would like to give away – there will not be a charge for “free” items. All items to be advertised are to be approved by the Board of Directors. Contact the Editor: Sue Sappok at suesappok@yahoo.com The cutoff date for publishing for the coming month is the 20th of each prior month.

Send your ad, or call or email the Editor to have an ad inserted into the Newsletter. Monies will be sent to Editor, Sue Sappok at 10776 Mills Road, Apple Valley, CA 92308, payable to Bloodhounds West, via check, credit card or PayPal. Be sure if you use PayPal to put in the notes that it is for a brag, classified, etc.



Feed us the info for your newsletter...

Calendar of Events

March:

- 2/28, 3/1 Scottsdale Dog Fanciers
Scottsdale, AZ
- 2, 3 Superstition KC
Scottsdale, AZ
- 6, 7 Sequoia KC
Hanford, CA
- 8, 9 Kings County KC
Hanford, CA
- 14 Del Sur KC Trials
Valley Center, CA
- 15, 16 Del Sur KC
Valley Center, CA
- 22 BW Trailing Seminar
Eastvale, CA
- 29, 30 Kern County KC
Bakersfield, CA

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

There will be trailing practice dates between seminars. All those who attend the seminars will be notified of those dates and times as well as the locations. There will be no charge for this as some of the trailing committee will be volunteering their time. We thank each of them for their dedication and commitment. Should you want to join us contact your Trailing Committee Chair, Sue Sappok.

Let Sue know of any nice parks 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.

RESCUE: Let us know if you have any Bloodhounds in need of a new home, foster home or just need some help or would be willing to foster or adopt a Bloodhound. Your Bloodhound Rescue contact is Susan Hamil (CAH20372@aol.com).



Over The Rainbow:

We know of one loss but have not received anything regarding this as we know it has been very difficult for the owner. We do wish this owner our prayers and condolences.



Trailing Committee News:

Our next Trailing Seminar is March 22, 2014.

“How to Get Your EECT”

Cost for this seminar is 10.00 per dog for non club members and \$7.00 per dog for club members. Anyone can audit this seminar for \$5.00 with no dog.

Location: American Hero's Park, 6608 Helman Avenue, Eastvale, CA (off I-15 north of Norco).
Directions will be on seminar flier that will be sent out shortly.

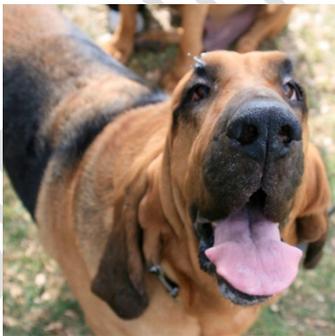
Try out for your EECT at the Hound Classic in Silverado, CA. April 11, 2014. Contact Sue Sappok for details.

We hope that all or most of you can join us this year and have some great fun in the world of "trailing." We are looking forward to working and trailing with you and your dog(s).



Whiskey is ready to trail with all of his new friends from the Trailing Seminar on February 15th... are you? That is once he stops eating rocks and walls and whatever else goes past his mouth. 😊

More pics from the trailing seminar...



Tucker says Hello. Come trail with us. 😊



Ranger...hurry mom I got it!

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Wyatt on the trail

HAVE A GREAT MONTH EVERYONE