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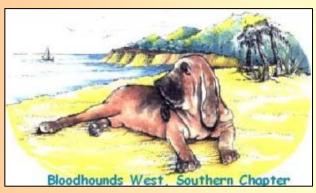
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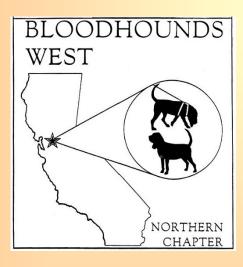
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**March 2021** 

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#### Meet our Cover Dog!

Owners: Charlene and Rod

Eden

Name: "Romeo"

Age: (2016-2018)

Favorite treat: carrots and

pineapple

Favorite activity: playing with

his tovs

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and *Claudia Myers* 

Contributions to your newsletter are always welcome!



Congratulations to *Aldo Branch* for being nominated to ABC First Vice President and *Lynne Aguirre* for continuing nomination as ABC Treasurer.



## **More on our Cover Dog**

# By *Madison Eden*With *Rod* and *Charlene Eden*

"Romeo" (12/2016-11/2018) Nunya's Romanoff's Sonoran Charm CH INT

We chose a bloodhound because they have such an animated and loving personality. "Romeo" actually chose me, he was the first puppy to me and didn't leave.

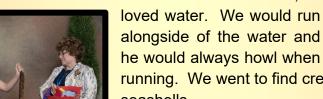


His favorite treats were carrots and pineapple. His favorite activity was playing with his toys. I liked to play hide and seek with him.

I grew up with many bloodhounds: "Romeo," "Carson," "Dory," "Dolly," and "Myrtle."



My favorite memory of "Romeo" is when we went to the beach, he



running. We went to find creatures in the rocks and seashells.



We accomplished so much in the short time we had together: he became a Champion at 14 months, won

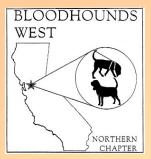
Best in Show at the International show, and became an Inter-

national Champion. I won Best Junior with "Romeo" as well, not an easy task with a young male bloodhound!



We all miss him and hope he has all his favorites with him, both treats and toys.

## **President's Message**



# *Aldo Branch*, President Bloodhounds West, Northern Chapter

Hello Bloodhounds West Northern Chapter Members and Friends,

I hope you are all doing well and staying safe. Spring and summer are right around the corner. Hopefully, with the increased distribution of COVID-19 vaccines, we will return to our pre-COVID dog

activities by the summer. I know that I am looking forward to returning to dog shows, and visiting with our club members.

We held our first trailing camp at the end of January, with limited attendance. The weather was cool and dry in Windsor, CA. "Dixie," "Saidee," and "Ruby" had a great time practicing their trailing skills in Keiser Park and at Windsor High School. *Pat Moffitt* had our runner lay one of the trails up and down different flights of stairs at the school. The dogs did remarkably well considering only one of them had experienced a trail on stairs before. Hopefully, there is more interest for our February and April camps, which will be held in Pleasanton and Windsor, respectively.



The trailing trial has been approved by the ABC, and is a "Go" for April 10 and 11. As I stated in my email to the membership, entries for the trailing trial in Dublin, CA are now open. Entries will close on March 11<sup>th</sup>. If interested in entering, please do so as soon as you can. The premium and entry form can also be found at our website:

#### http://bloodhoundswest.org/bhwevents.

I am happy to report that 100% of our current members have renewed for this year. If you know any bloodhound owners in Northern CA, Nevada, or Utah, who are not members, please invite them to join us. Applications can be found on our website or by contacting *Cindy Goble*. If any of you are not already members of the American Bloodhound Club and are interested in joining the ABC, again, please contact *Cindy*.

Stay safe. See you soon.

Aldo President, BWNC abranchsj@hotmail.com

Northern Chapter Treasurer's report from **Debbie Pray**, Treasurer:

Year-end balance, December 31, 2020: \$24,501.88

## **President's Message**



Jan Stallings, President Bloodhounds West, Southern Chapter

#### **Greetings!**

Here we are in 2021 and still not yet able to actively get together with our hound people. It's

frustrating, but certainly, I think we are seeing some progress. Hopefully, more folks are able to start getting their appointments for their vaccines (if they choose). And if life within COVID wasn't enough, our hound families back east are getting hammered with weather. As much as I struggle with the Arizona heat, there is something to be said for "mild" winters...(ok, maybe no winter!).

But, back to the dogs! Get your leads, collars, harnesses and all your equipment out and ready. Work with your dogs in any area that is your "game" of choice, and be ready for those shows, trials, fun days...we are getting there!

I think our single most important topic of discussion for the remainder of this year is the 2021 ABC Nationals. We need volunteers! We need fundraising! We need donations! This is our club and we need everyone's participation! Please, please, please, reach out to *Lisa Jones* and *Lynne Aguirre* and find out where you can volunteer your time, money, and ideas! I know I am starting to sound like a broken record, but it truly takes a village. We need you!

As another reminder, if you or any of your fellow club members are finding themselves in time of need, please reach out and let's see how our group can help. This past year has hit many hard, and we are here to support each other.

Until we are together again, hug your hounds; and send me pics of yourselves, I'm starting to forget what everyone looks like!

#### Mask up!

Much love to each and every one of you.

Jan President, BWSC rupaulcc@yahoo.com



Jan and "Rigby," the hound that started it all.

#### **Bloodhounds West Calendar**

January 1, 2021 Dues were due, Northern and Southern Chapters

Renewal forms are at the end of this newsletter

April 3-4, 2021 Northern Chapter Trailing Training Camp

At the "Duck Pond," 412 Aviation Boulevard, Windsor, CA

April 10-11, 2021 Northern Chapter, *Judy Robb* Memorial Trailing Trial

ABC approved; location in and near Dublin, CA

October 18-23, 2021 Southern Chapter ABC 2021 National/Regional, San Diego, CA

Lynne Aguirre, Co-Chair - <u>LaCrackers@aol.com</u> Lisa Jones, Co-Chair - <u>Ljones1959@icloud.com</u>

TBD, 2022 ABC National/Regional, Indianapolis, IN

Chris Flessner, Show Chair

TBD, 2023 ABC National/Regional, Asheville, NC

Michael Nye, Show Chair

(If you know of any Club activity you would like listed on the next issue's calendar, please send the information to the editor. Thank you.)

Popular COVID activity in the backyard: "Annie" watches the squirrel in the tree while "Jonah" watches "Annie" so he's ready to pounce when it falls out of the tree. Dogs are such optimists! ~ Carol Boyd





#### **2021 Bloodhound Resolutions**

Collected by Cynthia Goble

#### "Elwood"

My New Year's wish is to have everyone love me, the more the better.

Owned and loved by Lyn Sherman, Saddlepeak Bloodhounds, Vancouver, WA.





#### "Katie"

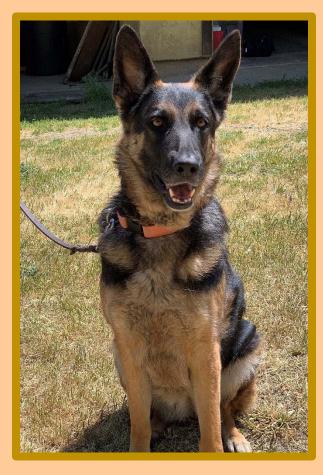
Katie's New Year's Resolution
"Continue to be very patient with mom
as she seems to love putting hats &
headbands on me!"

Wychway's Strawberry Fields Forever Katie CGC Owned, loved, and adored by *Claudia and Charlie Myers*, McKinleyville, CA.

### "Kona"

My New Year's resolution is to try and not to chase the neighbor's kitty when she visits.

Owned and loved by Barbara Adcock, San Jose, CA.



## "Lily"

To sniff as much fresh snow as possible.

Owned and loved by *Michael and Marina Mulvey*, Stateline, CA.

## "Poppy"

To wake up every day feeling more confident.

**Debbie's** resolution: To work with "Poppy" to help her feel more like a "normal" dog.

Owned and loved by **Debbie Levy**, Brentwood, CA





### "Basker"

To stop slobbering the mail after it drops through the door's mail slot.

Owned and loved by *Mike McMillan* El Sobrante, CA



## "Dixie"

This year I learn how to trail!

Owned and loved by **Nona Perez** Calistoga, CA

### I didn't know which toy you threw...



#### **Bloodhound Awards**

# Claudia Myers receives the AKC Outstanding Sportsmanship Award By Cynthia Goble

"I couldn't figure out why **Sandy Katos** was sending me a package and when I opened It, I was blown away beyond words." ~ **Claudia Myers** 

Claudia's devotion and service to our breed began over 45 years ago. She and her spouse Charlie have shared their home in Humboldt County with a number of bloodhounds. Most notable among these are: "Sherlock" Lord Sherlock Von Humboldt, "Emma" Sherlock's Emma of Elsa, "Mellie"

Levon's Miss Melanie, "Rose" Yahoo's Pasadena Rose, and "Katie" Wychway's Strawberry Fields Forever Katie, CGC.

Claudia began her membership with the American Bloodhound Club about 25 years ago. She also joined Bloodhounds West, Northern and Southern Chapters and served

as President of BW North and newsletter editor of the *Gazette* for BW South. She has been active in attending National Shows throughout the years and was thrilled when *Suzi Paine* asked her to be a Ring Steward for two Top Twenty events and they wore matching skirts.

Claudia dog-sat a bloodhound named "Spike" for seven months and fell in love with the breed. Her first bloodhound, "Sherlock," was born in 1977 and died just before his 13<sup>th</sup> birthday when his granddaughter "Emma" was four months old. "Emma's" dad was



Claudia with "Rose" and "Mellie"

"Samie" Ch Briarpatch's Oh Shameless and his owner, *Beverly Mestressat*, wanted Claudia to bring "Emma" to an ABC National in Santa Rosa. When *Claudia* arrived at the hotel, she met *Judy Robb* and *Kay Schmitt* and they told her the sad news that *Bev* had died. *Claudia* knew nothing about dog shows or the ABC and she figured out later that *Bev* had wanted "Emma" for "Samie's" Stud Dog entry.

Tragically, "Emma" died before her 4<sup>th</sup> birthday. *Claudia* started visiting "Mellie" who was living at a dog kennel being trained to find drugs. The trainer knew nothing about bloodhounds, thinking she had found the marijuana he'd planted in suitcases, not realizing she was picking up on his scent. *Claudia* met "Mellie's owner, *Cara*, and she decided to take "Mellie" back. Before *Claudia* left to live in London for six months in 1994, *Cara* said she was giving "Mellie" to *Claudia* when she returned!

Claudia called Susan Hamil before she left for London and Susan gave her Elin



"Sherlock" on his 12th birthday

**Richards'** phone number and that started a wonderful friendship she treasures to this day. Looking through Elin's ABC Bulletins, **Claudia** read about the *Bloodhound Bunch*, an email group that *Beckie Decker* started. **Claudia** joined the group of about 40 indi-

viduals. Half of them attended the ABC National in Oklahoma that year. **Claudia** stated. "What a

wonderful experience to meet Bloodhound Bunchers in person and to be with so many people who loved bloodhounds! Over the years I've gone to as many ABC Nationals as I could and have met so many wonderful people across the country and around the world."

The news that "Rose" had degenerative myelopathy was shattering for *Claudia*. "I couldn't believe that once again I was going to have a bloodhound in a doggy cart. When "Rose" died, I was inconsolable until wonderful "Katie" came into our lives. **Betsy Copeland** knew I wasn't going to show



Charlie, Claudia, and "Rose"

or do search and rescue but let us have "Katie" to be our companion. I had shown "Rose"



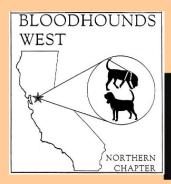
Charlie meets "Katie"

for a few months before she was spayed and - gastropexied. I was so unaware of the etiquette for showing that when I showed "Rose" in Washington State and Jackie Sinkinson was the judge, I felt bad for Jackie eating away from everyone else and went over to her. She told me she couldn't be around anybody if they were showing. Oops! I took handling lessons from a local friend so I could show "Katie" at the Kansas Nationals because I wanted Betsy to see her. I'm sure many people were surprised to see me in the ring since for years I've been an observer of Nationals! I'm hoping to take "Katie" around the

ring again at the San Diego National since she's a senior now."

I love being around folks who love bloodhounds and look forward to attending more Nationals over the years! ~ Claudia

## **Membership Matters**



*Cynthia Goble*, Membership Chair Bloodhounds West, Northern Chapter



What's on your New Year's resolution list? A new year is an opportunity to start with a fresh slate. Volunteering with Bloodhounds West is beneficial for both Club members and our beloved bloodhound breed. Events and other activities don't run themselves.

#### Benefits include:

- Building your social network,
- Cultivating friendship with Club members,
- Increasing sense of purpose and self-worth,
- Creating closer and long-term relationships,
- Challenging yourself to try something different,
- Practicing and stretching your skills,
- Discovering hidden talents, and
- Having Fun!

If you have skills, we can use them! We rely on volunteers like you and there are so many ways you can help us.

The first step to volunteering with BW is reaching out to *Lisa Jones*, National Event Co-Chair, and volunteering your time to help with the ABC National Specialty and Southwest

Regional Specialty events which will be held October 18 - 23, 2021 at The Dana on San Diego's Mission Bay. *Lisa* can be reached at:

Ljones1959@icloud.com



Stay safe and keep a leash apart.



#### **Bloodhound Member Activities**

Hi there,

2020 was a not-so-good year and a good one. We lost our "Molly" on March 21, 2020, at 12 years old. The best girl ever. Miss her every day.

COVID-19, ugh! So, we RETIRED and moved. We retired from the School

District on Halloween. I left after 25 years and Paul after 20 years.



**Paul** and I packed up and moved to the Lookingglass area of Oregon, about nine miles southwest of Roseburg. We found a great home on 11.92 acres, plenty of room for a

bloodhound.



We are up here with our friends *Gary* and *Elaine Marshall* and having a great time, so much to do and see. 2021 will be a better year.

Love from Oregon, **Debbie** & **Paul** & "Lilly"





### **Bloodhounds West Members**

Bloodhounds West sends sincere "Get Well" wishes to Past President *Cindi Sims*. We hope each day brings you renewed strength and much closer to recovery.





Cindi and "Sage."



"Boots" meets Adelaide, held by her dad.

Bloodhounds West sends a hearty "Congratulations" to member Cesilie Szabo and partner on the birth of their new daughter, Adelaide Beatrice Szabo.

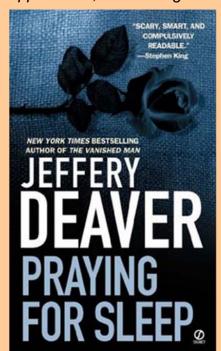


#### **Bloodhounds in Literature**

Praying for Sleep is a book published in 1994 and written by **Jeffery Deaver**, an American mystery and crime writer. From the publisher: "When paranoid schizophrenic killer **Michael Hrubek** escapes from an institution, there's no doubt of where he's headed: to find the woman who put him away and to finally get his revenge.

**Lis Atcheson** knows he's out there--the man who killed two of her students. He's haunted every sleepless night ever since she testified against him. Now the nightmares are coming true.

He's watching... and waiting... and he's going to take **Lis** to hell with him. With a massive storm coming--in more ways than one--**Lis** can barely prepare for the dark cloud that approaches, threatening to take everything away from her in one horrifying sweep.



In this exerpt from the book, "Emil" is the bloodhound.

But Emil did track right. He had a remarkable nose--one of the few, in his vet's estimation, that were two or three million times more sensitive than a human nose. He learned fast and the hound so exploited his nature that *Heck*, whose marriage was rocky and whose job was going nowhere, occasionally felt bad watching this astonishing dog and lamented that he himself had no consuming skill or drive to match Emil's.

After six months of training, Emil could follow a mile-and-a-half trail in record time, shaming the German shepherds that were the troop's unofficial trackers. By age two Emil had his American Kennel Club TD classification and a month later *Heck* took him up to Ontario, where he was awarded his Tracking Dog Excellence certification by

pursuing a stranger over a thousand-yard trail that was five hours old, never hesitating on the turns or the cross-tracks meant to confuse the hound. After the TDX rating Emil more or less joined *Haversham's* troop, to which *Heck* was assigned, though the state technically had no budget for dogs. The troop did, however, spring for membership (dog and man) in the National Police Bloodhound Association, which two years ago gave Emil the famed *Cleopatra Award* for finding a lost boy who'd fallen into the Marsden River and been swept downstream in a heavy current, after which he'd wandered deep into a state park. The trail, through water, marsh, cornfields, and forest, was 158 hours old when...

(Sources: Google Books, Google Images, and Wikipedia)

#### **Conformation Show Results**



## Provided by Kay Schmitt

As we all "shelter in place" and miss the shows we'd be going to and the friends we'd be seeing now, here's a look back down memory lane!

Three of these pictures are from the ABC National in San Diego, 1998. It's exciting that we are returning there for 2021.



ABC National, San Diego, 1998. Our motorhome was permitted to park near ringside so that the chairs for ringside could be locked to it during the night.



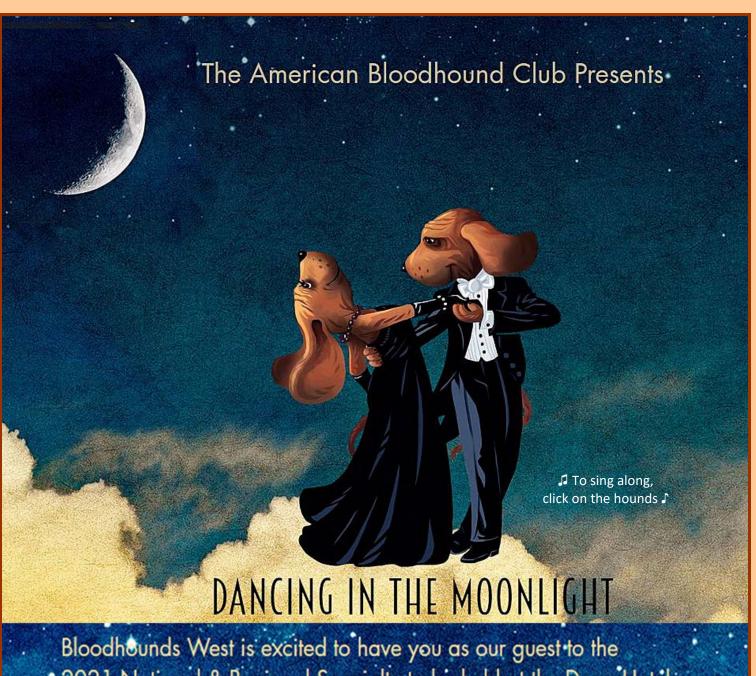
**Suzi Paine** in the ring with "Harriet," San Diego, 1998.



This is my first time in a show ring, 1996. "Crockett" was our first show bloodhound.



This was the setting for the ABC National, San Diego, 1998, before the ring was set up.



Bloodhounds West is excited to have you as our guest to the 2021 National & Regional Specialty to be held at the Dana Hotel in sunny San Diego from October 18 - 23

Visit our 2021 National website for all the important show information including schedule of events, hotel information, judging panel, committee members, and more:

https://www.2021abcnationalspecialty.com/

#### **Bloodhound Fundraiser**

### 2021 ABC National fundraiser!

Bloodhound keychains/luggage tags



Now available in two iconic bloodhound color schemes: black & tan or red.

Cost is only \$11.00 plus \$2.00 s/h.

Significant savings on s/h when purchasing more than one.

Contact Jan Stallings to place your order.

Rupaulcc@yahoo.com or text at 602.206.0140

Help support your Bloodhounds West Southern Chapter, hosting the 2021 ABC Nationals! October 18 through 23, 2021 in beautiful San Diego

## **ABC Top 20 Bloodhounds**

# "Top 20 Update" By **Lyn Sherman**, Top 20 Director

I hope everyone saw the latest Bloodhound Top 20 statistics for the second half of 2020 that **Emily Williams** posted January 30 on the ABC Group Facebook website.

I am aware that the West

Coast has had fewer dog
shows than other parts of the
country because of the COVID19 pandemic, however that is
something that is out of
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Suzi and "Truffle

	Top 20 Bloodhounds (Conformation) by	breed points	
01 Jul 2020 - 31 Dec 2020			
1	GCHB CH Sanctuary's Rock N Roll Experience From Nozenears	Deirdre Rahn	
2	GCH CH Skipton's A Win For Winter DS DJ TKA	Jessica Edwards-Chrisopoulos	
3	GCHS CH Southwind's Man O' War With M&M CGC TKN	Marti Michalis	
3	GCH CH Quiet Creek's Legend All Rise	Susan LaCroix Hamil	
5	GCH CH Treasures Russkaya Memories	Susan Markley	
6	GCHB CH Quiet Creek's Let It Bee	Lisa Jones	
7	CH Cline's Creek S'Cess-Ful Fat Bottom Girl	Shirley Vancamp	
8	CH Flessner's Toot My Own Horn	Bryan Flessner	
9	GCHG CH Bayside's As You Wish TKN	Jennifer R Hallett	
9	Legend's Whole Lotta Love	Susanna Anderson	
9	Cline's Creek I Want It All With The Kocar'S	John & Darla Watkins	
12	GCH CH M&M's The Happy Ever After Tail Of Rango Ray CGC	Richard Secor	
12	CH Quiet Creek's Legend Absolut	Susan LaCroix Hamil	
14	CH Spokesman	Wendy Musgrove	
14	GCHB CH Cornerstone's Wyatt Earp CGC	Beth Vanselous	
14	Clines's Creek Fortune Favors The Bold	Tammy Cline	
17	GCH CH Mayflower's One Night Stand	Mrs. Laurie Diane Brewer	
17	Legend's Hello Darlin'	Pattie Mitchell	
17	CH Wychway's Rock My World	Thais Canedo	

everyone's control. This year's 2021 qualifiers will join last year's qualifiers which should make for an exciting Top 20 event.

CH Boru Master Of Puppets

This year's ABC Top 20 event will be held in honor of *Suzi Paine*. She and *Kay Schmitt* organized the very first Top 20 in 2005.

Kimberly Sias-Lombardi

The National promises to bring us all together for a long-awaited opportunity to "do all things bloodhound" again. Whether you are doing obedience, conformation, therapy dog work, trailing, or looking forward to showing your puppy for the first time--whatever it is we hope to see you in San Diego. The setting is beautiful, right on the water, skidoos and bikes are available at the hotel,

there are

several swimming pools, Thursday movie night, and hopefully the nearby theme parks will be open again by October.

Remember to sponsor a trophy if you can, it is a great way to remember that special bloodhound that was part of your life. Trophy listings were provided in the recent ABC Newsletter emailed to all ABC members. Also bring something to add to one of the auctions as part of our fund-raising activity.



## Salute to Our Senior Bloodhounds

#### By Claudia Myers

I want to thank everyone for sharing your Seniors with us. It's so heartwarming to see the photos and read their stories. This brings to mind a quote from my hero, *Roger Caras*, who was a lover of bloodhounds.

Some of our greatest historical and artistic treasures we place in museums; others, we take for walks.







"Drew" Wellington's Nancy Drew, MT. Born July 24, 2009. "Drew" is an 11-years-young Bloodhound. She lives with her adoring owners, *Steve Russell* and *Michele Jay-Russell*, in the beautiful Yuba Foothills of northern California. Other friends on the ranch currently include four cats, two horses, a mule, 21 goats, a pig, ten chickens, five turkeys, and a Maremma Sheepdog that works as a livestock guardian dog in the pasture next to the house. Sadly, her Queensland Heeler friend, "Molly," passed away last year at 15 years (we are looking for another). "Drew" has done conformation showing and earned her Mantrailing title in 2017, and has participated in a number of Bloodhounds West – Northern Chapter trailing clinics. As the photos show, "Drew" is staying active during the pandemic -- going on hikes and hanging out with *Michele*, who primarily works from home now. Loved by *Steve Russell* and *Michele Jay-Russell*.



**"June"** Here's June Carter Cash - our 11-13-year-old daughter! She was a rescue so we're not sure about her age. At Carmel and in her Easter bonnet. She's a well-traveled senior!! Loved by *Elsie* and *Don Rosentha*l.



**"Bob"** GCHP Quiet Creek's Limited Edition, CHIC. Born February 10, 2012. Center photo is "Bob" celebrating his 9th birthday; as you can see he was very excited! Loved by **Susan** and **John Hamil** and **Tara** and **Bruce Schultz**.





"Diana" Spottyacre Diana. Born May 5, 2012. We travelled to Arizona where we sequestered for six weeks over the holidays. Loved greatly by *Landa Coldiron* 





"Basker" Ridgerunner Curious Canine RN TDX TDU MTI FDC CGC. Born July 8, 2012. She is the sweetest, most affectionate dog I have ever known. I can't believe you're almost nine, where did the time go? Loved by *Mike McMillan*.





"Mandy" GCH Heroes in Your Dreams Mandolin RN MT. Born October 6, 2012. This pandemic has not affected our kids a lot (except for dog shows that "Teep" wants to go to - she's only two majors away from Championship!). They just love to be with us and go for occasional car rides around town. Loved by *Ted* and *Joyce Taylor*.





**"Katie"** Wychway's Strawberry Fields Forever Katie, CGC, CHIC. Born November 15, 2012. Due to the pandemic, "Katie" misses her doggy play days that normally happen weekly in her pasture. Occasionally one dog comes with its masked owner and "Katie" goes to the gate to see where the other dogs are. For her 8<sup>th</sup> birthday present *Claudia* commissioned a drawing of her by the wonderful artist *Janet Cain*. Loved by *Charlie* and *Claudia Myers.* 







"Lucy" Lucy is a Lucky Lady. She is 7+ years old. "Lucy" earned AKC Farm Dog Title and is in training for Nose Work or Scent Work. She feels down because, due to pandemic, she has not gone to class since March, 2020. I rescued her when her owner, a homeless veteran, had a stroke and couldn't keep her anymore. She loves her life on the farm and has a special friend that lies by her during the day, "Wilbur" a pot-bellied pig. Loved by *Pat Moffitt*.







"Saidee" is a new senior. BISS GCHB Hunterhound The Grail Maiden MTX. She was born January 28, 2014. The pandemic has certainly changed her routines. "Saidee" misses her dog shows, and social activities, but really likes that mom is now home with her all day. Loved by *Diane* and *Aldo Branch*.

## **Bloodhound Training**

#### IS IT POSSIBLE TO TEACH A BLOODHOUND HOW TO READ?

Interview with *Cesilie Szabo*, Certified Trick Dog Instructor (CTDI)

By *Cynthia Goble* 

American Bloodhound Club and Bloodhound West Northern Chapter member *Cesilie Szabo* of Modesto, CA, a Certified Trick Dog Instructor (CTDI), knows the many benefits of trick training and discusses how dogs can be taught to read. Yes, dogs are capable of reading!

## How did you become interested in becoming a dog trainer?

I've always enjoyed teaching my pet dogs tricks. When I needed a service dog, I began taking classes to learn how to best train a dog for the



job needed with my first service dog "Rüger" and eventually began helping other teams with basic manner training.

#### What is a Certified Trick Dog Instructor (CTDI)?

A certified trick dog instructor is someone who has completed a training course on how to train and evaluate tricks for dogs. As a CTDI, I took a course and had to take videos teaching students how to do specific tricks and also had to train my dog to a specific level of performance as well. Trick training is fun as it gives you and your dog a new way to bond and learn together, while earning titles in the process. There are five levels through Do More With Your Dog (DMWYD); Novice, Intermediate, Advanced, Expert, and Champion. You can submit these to AKC for the official trick dog titles there, too.



Currently, the Champion level doesn't transfer over however, my dog Boots is hard at work to become the first bloodhound Champion Trick Dog through DMWYD.

#### Why is trick training useful?

Trick training is useful for many reasons. While dogs need physical exercise, they also thrive off of mental exercises too. A dog who is given a task is happy to learn and work. It can also be used to teach your dog boundaries and manners in the house and public settings.

#### Tell us about your dog training experience. What methods do you use?

Basic manners are a must (sit, down, come, wait, stay, etc.) as well as task specific commands (brace, counter-balance, and deep pressure therapy). I personally am a balanced trainer (using both positive and negative reinforcement) and believe that each dog has a different training style - train the dog in front of you!



#### What tricks have you taught?

A lot! "Boots" knows about 35 tricks and is an AKC Trick Dog Performer title holder.

# How do you teach a dog to read? Describe how you use index cards and color recognition to teach this trick?

By using 3x5 index cards of different colors and different cues written on them you can teach our

dog to "read. We start with three different index cards with a command the dog already knows (blue for "Sit", yellow for "Down", and purple for "Touch"). First, show your dog the card and say whatever command is on it (for example, "Boots, sit" with the blue index card) and repeat this until your dog realizes that just that card color means sit. Eventually you will remove the verbal cue and just show them the card. The goal is the dog recognizing the color and doing what the card says.

#### How do you measure success of the dog's training?

Setting realistic goals for you and your dog is how I measure success. Were we able to learn a new trick this week? Can we do this new trick on the first try? These are things you can apply to any form training.

## What advice would you give to someone considering a career as a CTDI?

CTDI is not a paid position so as far as advice goes if you enjoy doing things for free or spending more money than you'll earn, become an instructor. I enjoy watching videos and helping fellow dogs earn titles. As an instructor, we are not allowed to charge for titling students unless it's a full-on course for teaching the necessary tricks and skills needed to test for a title

#### Fun photos of "Boots"

You can see some fun videos of "Boots" learning tricks and training on his Instagram and Facebook pages:

<u>www.Instagram.com/dead.men.tell.no.tails</u> and https://www.facebook.com/deadmentellnotails/

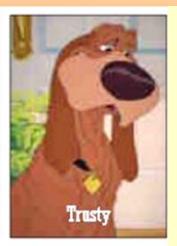


## **Bloodhound Movie Quiz**

Can you name the Disney movie these hounds were in?

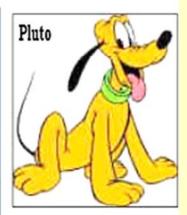
Answers will be in the next issue.















Answer to the December *Bloodhound Movie Quiz*: "Lady and the Tramp" by Disney Studios.

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Thanks to Cathy Houser from the Southeastern Bloodhound Club (SEBC) who put these together and to Melissa Byrd, editor of the SEBC newsletter, for reprint permission.

#### **Bloodhounds in the News**



#### Collected by Cynthia Goble

TALLAHASSEE, FL (WTXL) — The Tallahassee Police Department added a new officer to their team, a one-year-old. Jon Jon the bloodhound has been with the department for two weeks, and recently completed his first track, helping find a 13-year-old girl.

Handler *Paul Osborn*, who is also new to the K-9 unit says

working and saving lives with Jon Jon has been an incredible experience

"He's a great tool, an incredible dog with skills I could have never imagined, and the opportunity to increase the likelihood of saving individuals who are missing is just an amazing opportunity," said *Osborn*.

When he's not tracking missing persons, Jon Jon likes to play in the yard with his siblings and loves doggy ice cream. (Source: www.wtxl.com/news)





BOWIE, MD - The Bowie PD K9 Team of *Cpl. Ryan Shifflett* and K9 Copper responded to a call involving a missing 12-year-old girl. *Cpl. Shifflett* and K9 Copper were called to assist the Prince Georges County Police Department in the search for a critical missing juvenile.

K9 Copper conducted a trail for approximately a half-mile and found the child unharmed.

Bowie Police Department representatives said, "This duo is a valued unit of our department and we couldn't be more proud of their hard work!"

(Source: scentevidencek9.com)

CAMDEM, NJ The call came into the Haddonfield Police Department about 11:30 pm. On the other end was an official from the Audubon Police Department, two Camden County towns over, requesting assistance. A 10-year-old Audubon boy had been reported missing an hour earlier. It was now close to midnight, and his parents were frantic.

The Audubon officer asked, would the Haddonfield Police Department be willing to lend its search team — a bloodhound named Blue and his human partner, *Cpl. Jake Sorg* — to the effort to find the boy?

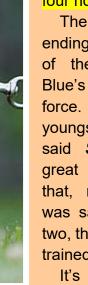
**Sorg** and Blue leaped into action. After all, it's what they have been training for since January 2019, when **Sorg**, 29, picked up the dog (who was about 8 weeks old at the time) from a breeder in upstate New York, with the help of the New York State Police. The plan was to integrate Blue into the Haddonfield Police Department as a search dog.

**Sorg** sensed the family's fear when he and Blue arrived that night in Audubon. "The stress is heightened, and the parents are looking at you and the dog for help," **Sorg** recalled.

All Blue needed to get started was a sniff of the child's bed pillow, and then he trotted from the family's back porch, to the front yard, and down the sidewalk, sniffing for other traces of the child's scent. Within 15 minutes, Blue's trained nose led police right to the young boy — who was sound asleep under a tree in the backyard of a private residence

"Blue"

four houses away.



The evening's happy ending reminded *Sorg* of the importance of Blue's presence on the force. "When I saw that youngster laying there," said *Sorg*, "it was a great feeling to know that, number one, he was safe, and, number two, the dog did what we trained him to do."

It's unusual for a police department to

have a dog like Blue in its ranks, according to **Jeff Hibert**, spokesperson for Search and Rescue Dogs of the United States (SARDUS), a national nonprofit that trains, evaluates, and certifies dog-and-handler teams.

Most SAR dogs, he added, are handled by volunteers, with "probably not more than 2,000 in the whole country." The number is uncertain, he said, because there is no one organization that tracks the numbers overall. (Source: fusion.inquirer.com/)

## **Bloodhound Training**

# RATTLESNAKE AVERSION TRAINING Sunday, March 28, 2021



Register and pay at site Cost is \$80 per dog

Training location: 1399 Sanders Road Windsor, CA 95492

Training available from: 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM

To reserve a spot, contact:

Pat Moffitt

707-478-6843 ~ mantrker@aol.com

The training typically introduces the dog to both juvenile and adult live, safely-muzzled rattlesnakes (like you should, the snakes will be wearing masks). Trainers use a remote training collar to provide a perfectly-timed low-level stimulation that the dog will associate with the rattlesnake. This will effectively enable the dog to detect the sights, sounds, and smells of rattlesnakes and create the reflex for the dog to quickly move away and avoid them.



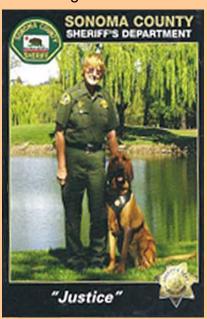
### **Bloodhounds on Television**

#### By Cynthia Goble

Many of you may have seen the *Alcatraz* television series from Executive Producer Director *J.J. Abrams*. The 2012 program focused on the Alcatraz prison, shut down in 1963 due to unsafe conditions for its prisoners and guards. The show's premise was that both the prisoners and the guards disappeared in 1963 and had abruptly reappeared in modern-day San Francisco,



where they were being tracked down by a government agency, to prevent them from committing further crimes while also determining the reasons for their return.



But did you know that **Pat Moffitt**, an honorary member of Bloodhounds West Northern Chapter and member of the American Bloodhound Club, along with two of her SAR bloodhounds played an important role in one of the episodes?

**Pat** served as a Community Service Officer and Reserve III Officer for the Sonoma County Sheriff's Department. I contacted **Pat** and asked her to recall her memories of working on **Alcatraz**.

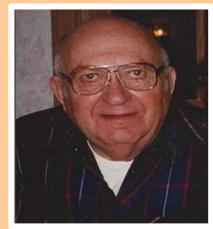
How did you become involved with the making of the movie?

I was contacted by a man who provided dogs for the motion picture industry. All my working dogs, which

included "Sadie," "Black Majik," "Caitlin," "Calamity

Yelk of Rib Mountain Bloodhounds, located in Wausau, Wisconsin. Jerry bred and trained bloodhounds for many law enforcement and SAR agencies across the country. In the Bloodhound Community, Jerry was considered a "Legend". He was awarded the Liberty Bell Award by Wisconsin Governor Patrick Lucey in 1968.

Describe working on the filming of the scene with your dogs.



The scene took about an hour to shoot. My bloodhounds were already trained for working the streets, finding bad guys and incriminating evidence. My challenge was to educate the animal crew members on The crew thought the bloodhounds work. actors could just run the dogs without a scent article. It was humorous watching the actors just standing still as my bloodhounds circled them waiting for their directions. My bloodhounds didn't know what the actors wanted them to do! I had to explain that the dogs worked from a scent article otherwise they didn't know what they were supposed to find. Once it was determined where we would begin filming, I then said that I would drop my hat and proceed up the cliff and hid behind large boulders. I advised the actors that they



**Pat** with "Sadie" and a very young "Sargent Trooper"

needed to take dogs to the location of my hat and to then verbally instruct them to "Find!". The dogs need to work on a long line without the actors pulling on the line. I stayed hidden and avoided standing up when my dogs found me because I would be in violation of the Screen Actors Guild regulations. When the scene began, two actors took the bloodhounds to the location of my hat and gave them the command to "Find!". My dogs



**Pat** working a robbery case with "Calamity Jane"

sniffed the hat and headed down the beach and up the cliff and alerted on me behind the boulders. At that point, things got really animated. The crew was thrilled with the performance of my bloodhounds. They had wanted the bloodhounds to bay and I said they were silent trailers. So, the technical crew would just have to insert the baying sound of bloodhounds.

# Describe how your bloodhounds felt about being 'television stars'.

They loved the attention received by the crew and actors when the scene was finished. Both had fun and did a great job finding the escaped prisoner, which was **ME!** As a reward, I gave them a treat for successfully finding me hidden behind big boulders.

#### Have your bloodhounds been in other movies or television series?

"Sadie" worked the **Jennifer Moore** case; a 13-year-old girl from Novato, CA, who in 1998 was raped, bludgeoned, and murder by a 29-year-old male who was a volunteer church Sunday school teacher. Later my current dog worked the reenactment of the case for TV. (Source: Wikipedia, Google, and Pat)

#### The Bloodhound's Kitchen



## "Carrot, Apple, Peanut Butter and Oat Dog Treats" By Cynthia Goble

- 5 Natural Ingredients (No salt or sugar)
- 4 Easy Steps (Mix & Bake)
- 4 Your Happy Hounds (Bloodhounds & Fur-Friends)

#### **Ingredients**

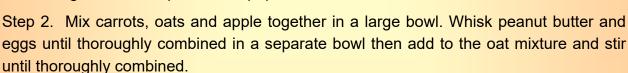
1 ½ cups Fresh carrots, grated
1 ½ cups Oats, quick-cooking
1 cup Fresh apple, grated

½ cup Peanut butter, all-natural

Whole eggs

#### **Directions**

Step 1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Line two baking sheets with parchment paper.



Step 3. Drop 1 ½ tablespoons size of batter onto lined baking sheets. Flatten each treat with your hands until they are ½-inch thick.

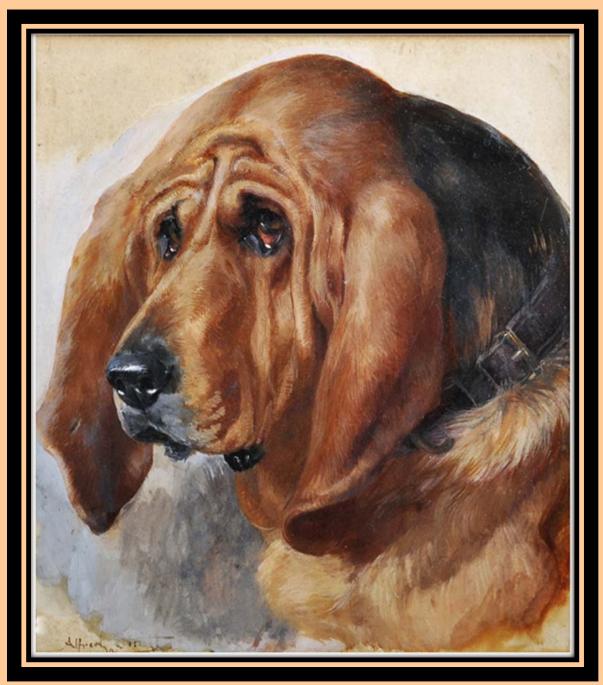
Step 4. Bake in preheated oven until treats are firm to the touch and begin to brown on the bottom, 15 – 20 minutes. Allow to cool a few minutes on the baking sheet before removing to wire rack to cool completely.

Keep extra treats (if there are any) stored in the refrigerator.



(Source: <a href="https://www.allrecipes.com/recipe/279653/homemade-dog-treats/">https://www.allrecipes.com/recipe/279653/homemade-dog-treats/</a>)

## **Bloodhounds in Art**



This head study of a bloodhound is by the British painter *Alfred William Strutt* (1856-1924). It is a watercolor, about 13 by 12 inches, and was sold by *John Nicholsons* Fine Art Auctioneer in February 2019 in Haslemere, UK.



## **Bloodhound Collections**

# "Disney's Pluto, a Collectable Bloodhound" By Debbie Levy

I began collecting Disney Pluto items when we determined that my bloodhound, "Ruby," was a direct descendent of Mickey Mouse's famous bloodhound pal. The collection includes pieces that span many decades and includes everything from old toys, a small planter, and vintage lunchboxes to modern plush Pluto's, pins, clothes, and my newest piece: a small bottle of hand sanitizer in a Pluto holder.



This small ashtray, featuring a young Mickey playing a mandolin to his puppy, Pluto, was made in Japan. It is one of the first pieces I purchased. I found it at an antique show in Southern California many years ago.

I really like this wind-up Pluto toy because I have turtles, so it's kind of a cross collectible for me. When you turn the knob, Pluto's head

bobs and he pats the moving turtle with his paw.





This Romero Britto Pluto came from a store in Palm Springs. You can't help but smile when you see it and I actually have come to like it more than when I first saw it. I found this vintage tin Pluto push toy online. It's in excellent shape for its age and the paint is beautiful. I don't think anybody ever played with it.



I received this cardigan as a gift. Unfortunately, due to the pandemic, I don't really go anywhere, so I haven't had an opportunity to wear it yet. I think it's pretty awesome and can't wait to wear it in public.

This is a vintage Valentine. Pluto's head and the puppy are movable.





I will never forget what year I got this Pluto collectible hand sanitizer...

Although I have been limiting my Pluto purchases, my cousin started working for Disney a few years ago and she has become my enabler. She says she is going to stop shopping for Pluto items, but I think she enjoys my collection as much as me.



# American Bloodhound Club *Trailing Trial*

Bloodhounds West, Northern Chapter, is pleased to sponsor a weekend of trailing trials approved by the ABC.

## April 10-11, 2021

Location is expected to be in and around Dublin, CA

## Entries close March 11 at 5:00 pm.

Entry and Premium are on the website: <a href="http://bloodhoundswest.org/bhwevents/2021/4/10/bwnc-trailing-trial">http://bloodhoundswest.org/bhwevents/2021/4/10/bwnc-trailing-trial</a>

Contact **Stacy Mattson** for more information. <u>bloodhoundswest@msn.com</u>



Judy Robb with "Digger" and Myron Robb with "Goldie"

Trials will be held "rain or shine."

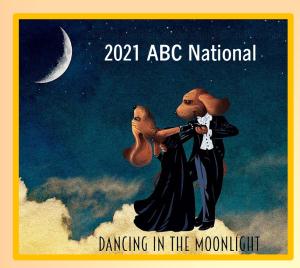
We need trail runners. If you are not entering the trial and would like to help, please volunteer to be a trail runner. It's a great way to see all the action up close.



NORTHERN

## **Bloodhound Trailing at the National**

### By Stacy Mattson



There will be a trailing trial at the National Specialty in warm, sunny San Diego, California, this fall. Many are making their travel plans now.

We will be looking for trailing trial runners/victims for the two-day trial on Monday, October 18 and/or Tuesday, October 19, 2021.

The event will have all three levels of trailing titles available:

MT, Mantrailer (trail 4 to 6 hours old),
MTI, Mantrailer Intermediate (trail 8 to 16 hours old), and
MTX, Mantrailer Excellent (trail 24 to 36 hours old).



If you need an Event Entry Certification Test (EECT) before entering at the MT level, please contact me for your pretest.

If you are available to help as a runner, please contact me, thanks.

#### Stacy Mattson

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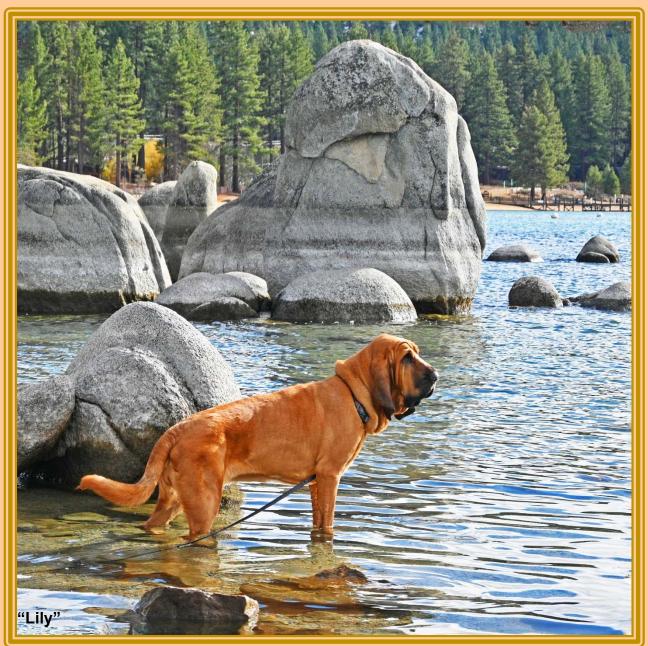


Photo from Marina Mulvey

# "Dogs do speak, but only to those who know how to listen." Orhan Pamuk

**Orhan Pamuk** is a Turkish novelist, screenwriter, academic, and recipient of the 2006 Nobel Prize in Literature for his novel *My Name is Red*, the first Turkish Nobel laureate. The novel blends mystery, romance, and philosophical puzzles in a setting of 16th century Istanbul. (Source: Wikipedia)

## **Membership Forms**

On the following pages are:

**New Member Application Form** (Northern Chapter)

Member Renewal Form (Northern Chapter)

New Member/Renewal Application Form (Southern Chapter)

Forms to join or renew membership in the Northern or Southern Chapter

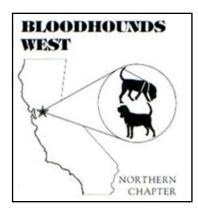
We welcome new members to our Club.

## **A Little Bloodhound Humor**

"Darla" and "Denali"







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.

March 2021

## **TYPE OF MEMBERSHIP:** ☐ Individual \$35.00 ☐ Family: \$35.00 ☐ Junior: \$25.00 APPLICANT INFORMATION Name(s): Address: City:\_\_\_\_\_\_ State:\_\_\_\_\_ Zip:\_\_\_\_\_ Home Telephone:\_\_\_\_\_\_Cell:\_\_\_\_\_ Email: Interests: Showing □ Obedience/Rally □ Trailing/Tracking □ Pet □ Animals in household: # Bloodhounds # Other breeds (List)\_\_\_\_\_ I am interested in joining Bloodhounds West because: SPONSOR INFORMATION Sponsored by (please print): How sponsor knows applicant: Signature of sponsoring member: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_ 44

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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 cobreeder 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.
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- ❖ I agree to act in a sportsmanlike manner and not deliberately degrade other exhibitors, breeders, or their dogs.

Applicant Signature:	Date:

<u>Please mail both pages of this form with a check (payable to Bloodhounds West)</u>
<u>to Membership Chairperson:</u>

Cindy Goble 904 Silver Spur Road, #281, Rolling Hills Estates, CA 90274

You may also submit your application fee through PayPal at <a href="mailto:bloodhoundswestnc@gmail.com">bloodhoundswestnc@gmail.com</a> (please enter your applicant information in the PayPal comment section). If you join via PayPal, please mail *Cindy* 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.



## **2021 Membership Renewal Form**

## Bloodhounds West, Northern Chapter

Membership dues (\$25) are due on or before January 1, 2021

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### BLOODHOUNDS WEST, SOUTHERN CHAPTER

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