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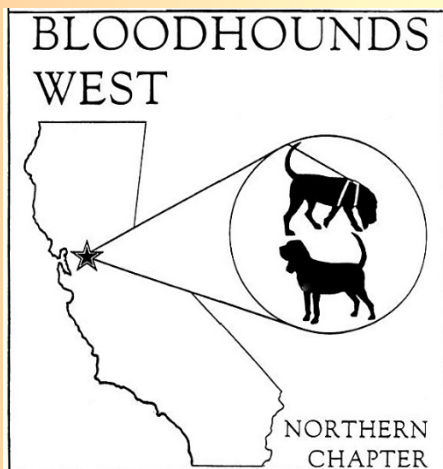
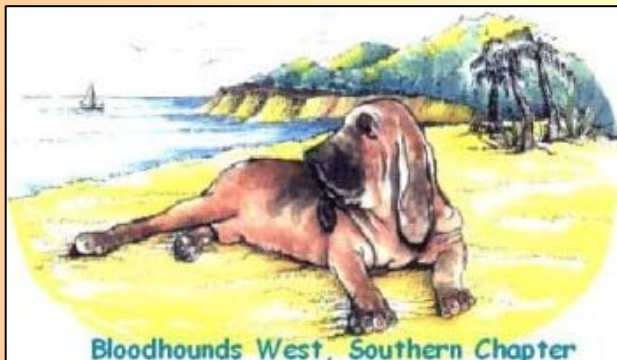
March 2020

Meet "Kelly"

***Newsletter of the Northern and Southern Chapters of***

# **BLOODHOUNDS WEST**

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# Bloodhounds West Officers and Directors

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**Lisa Jones** (2020-21)

**Elaine Marshall** (2020-21)

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**Lisa Jones** (2019-20)

**Tina Kocar** (2019-20)

**Charlene Eden** (2020-21)

**Marti Michalis** (2020-21)

### Membership Chair

**Barb Copeland**

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### **Meet our Cover Dog!**

**Owner:** *Dr. Laura Peterson-Boldt*

**Name:** "Kelly"

**Age:** 3

**Favorite treat:** Greek yogurt

**Favorite activity:** neighborhood walks and waiting on the beach watching Dad and our kids surf

Our newsletter is published on the first of March, June, September, and December.

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



## More on our Cover Dog

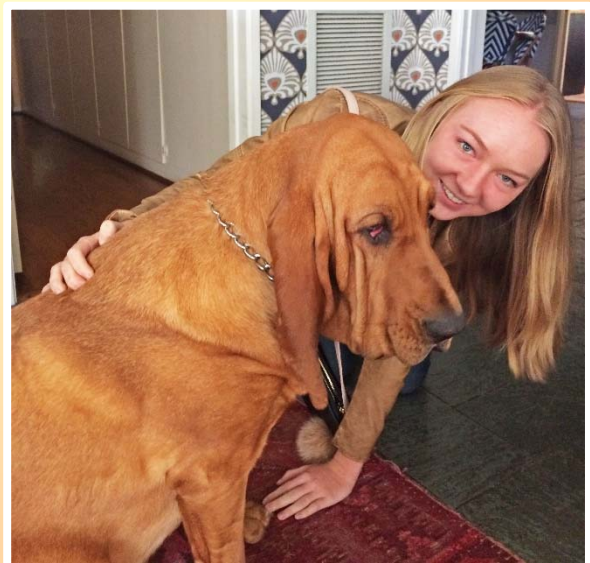
By **Bob and Laura Boldt**

“Kelly” is one of my two best friends. The other is her sister, “Maggie.” “Kelly” was my first bloodhound. Animals surrounded me growing up as a kid (my dad was a veterinarian in Sacramento for 50 years) and I’ve always loved them, including a Basset Hound (“Ollie”) I rescued. But I always suspected there was something special about bloodhounds, so I contacted **Sherri McGuire** and chose “Kelly” as a puppy in July 2016.



During her first year and a half, **Sherri** and **Barb Copeland** showed “Kelly,” who enjoyed the ring and did especially well in her last show in Oregon. During the special weekends when **Sherri** and **Barb** would travel up and down the West Coast, “Kelly” spent time with her sister “Maggie” whom **Sherri** had kept from the same litter. Unfortunately, when **Sherri** became ill with cancer, it was necessary for her to find foster homes for her dogs. We gladly took in “Maggie.” After **Sherri’s** passing,

we have been very grateful to have both girls now together. Bloodhounds sure seem to recognize each other instinctively and the sisters play constantly. Unfortunately, the girls no longer are in the show circuit. They are only our pets and definitely are an integral part of our family of six.



We have four children, three now in college and the girls enjoy the times when all the kids are at home and they can roughhouse with them. They filled a gap for me in that I like a very busy household and with “Kelly” and





“Maggie” at home the house doesn’t feel empty, and they keep my 17-year-old son company as well.

We have had our share of health issues especially with “Kelly” and slightly with “Maggie.” “Kelly’s” struggled with skin infections under her neck and arms, we have seen multiple specialists and consultants. The underlying diagnosis was predominately allergic dermatitis and

an underlying fungal infection. We have had quite a lot of success using antifungal shampoos and oral ketoconazole. “Maggie” was found to be hypothyroid which was alerted to me after attending the Pet Expo on the advice of **Marti Michalis**—so we got her checked. “Maggie” has had weight issues that have been slightly improved by *Synthroid* and switching to low calorie dog food. But “Maggie” is bigger than “Kelly” and has stolen pumpkin bread twice since October!



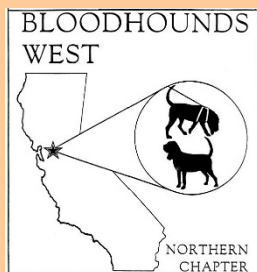
Our lives have definitely been made fuller with the addition of two bloodhounds to our family. I am in much better shape due to daily walks and increased housework from their drool and shedding. And our girls like nothing more than both sleeping on our bed which can get seriously crowded! Owing

bloodhounds is not for everyone but our girls bring us great joy. **Anyone wanting to have bloodhound play dates please email me**— we are in Altadena, California and hope to move to the Ventura area in next few years.

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## President's Message



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

Hello Northern Chapter Members and Friends,

The 2020 dog show season is off to a good start. We had a decent entry at the Golden Gate bench show in Daly City. We were able to promote the bloodhound breed and answer a variety of questions from bloodhound enthusiasts and admirers. Those of us who participated at Golden Gate had a great time showing our bloodhounds and hanging out with fellow club members. There will be well over 30 dog show days in Northern California before the ABC National Specialty in October. Even if you are not interested in showing your dog, we invite you to come out and cheer on your fellow club members. Go to [www.akc.org](http://www.akc.org) to find a show near you.

In addition to conformation, we are off and trailing, too. We held one weekend trailing camp in January another one at the end of February. Those camps prepared dogs and handlers for our trailing trial in mid-March. Good luck to those bloodhounds and handlers that have entered. Please come out to Pleasanton to support the entrants, and/or to be a runner on a trail. Contact me if you need more information.

The American Bloodhound Club is making a push for more members. If you are a member of Bloodhounds West and not yet a member of the ABC, please consider applying for membership in the ABC. Please contact me if you are interested.

We are in the initial planning stages for our next BWNC Fun Day. Last year it was held in Sonora, CA, at Lisa Jones' house. It was a great day of food and bloodhound fun. I expect that we will hold this year's gathering in late spring/early summer. The location has yet to be determined. If you have a good recommendation for a park or other space that we can use, or if you are willing to help with the event, please let me know.

Make sure you mark your calendar for the 2020 ABC National and Regional Specialties in San Diego, CA. It will be hosted by our clubmates in the Southern Chapter on October 26 through 31. Book your rooms before they sell out. Information about all the activities will be regularly updated on the National website [www.2020abcnational.com](http://www.2020abcnational.com).

See you soon.

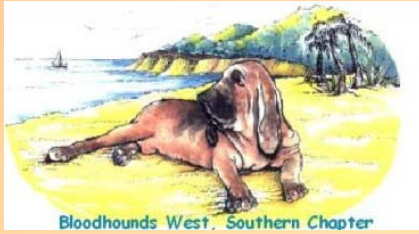
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## President's Message



**Jan Stallings**, President  
Bloodhounds West, Southern Chapter

Greetings all!

Here we are in 2020. How the heck did that happen? The year started off with a bang, with a good showing of members and guests at the Indio/Palm Springs show. It was great to see old and new faces! We jumped into February with our next membership meeting in Del Mar.

Upcoming events include Pet Expo and Fun Day. Please see information on the Pet Expo in this newsletter. If you have any availability, please sign up!

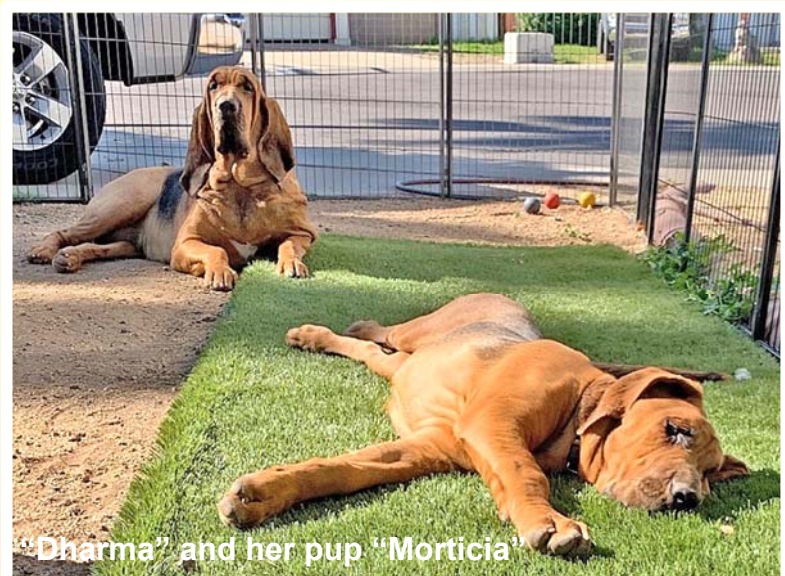
Just in case anyone hadn't heard, we are also hosting this year's ABC National! A few of us spent some time at The Dana Resort this past weekend, touring the rooms and grounds. Get your reservations in, it's a great venue! Also be sure to see **Lynne** and **Lisa** to get yourself signed up on a committee!

We already have some new members this year, and I welcome you all! I hope that you will reach out to any of our club members, as I know they will all be more than happy to share information and answer any questions that you may have! At our Palm Springs meeting, I challenged everyone to sponsor at least one new member to the club. Reach out to those you know and bring them on board. It would be great to add to our active membership list. We look forward to seeing many new faces!

'Til next time:  
love your friends,  
love your dogs, and  
love your friends' dogs!

**Jan**

President, BWSC  
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"Dharma" and her pup "Morticia"

# Bloodhounds West Calendar

## January 1

Chapter dues were due. Contact either:  
Northern Membership Chair, **Cynthia Goble**  
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Southern Membership Chair, **Barb Copeland**  
[rocknroses@aol.com](mailto:rocknroses@aol.com)

- March 14-15 Northern Chapter hosts **Judy Robb** Trailing Trial, Pleasanton, CA  
**Aldo Branch** - [abranhcsj@hotmail.com](mailto:abranhcsj@hotmail.com)
- March 29 Rattlesnake aversion training, Windsor, CA  
**Pat Moffitt** - [mantrker@aol.com](mailto:mantrker@aol.com)
- April 4 Northern Chapter Fun Day, Sonora, CA  
(final details being determined, contact **Aldo** or **Lisa**)
- April 15 Deadline for nominations for the ABC's Meritorious Service Award for a bloodhound and for a person.  
**Claudia Williams**, ABC MSA Committee Chair  
[cmwilliams55@centurylink.net](mailto:cmwilliams55@centurylink.net)
- April 24-26 Orange County Pet Expo, Costa Mesa, CA  
**Marti Michalis** - [martimichalis@gmail.com](mailto:martimichalis@gmail.com)
- May 25 Deadline for the June issue, *The Daily Drool*  
**Mike McMillan** - [sar.bloodhound@gmail.com](mailto:sar.bloodhound@gmail.com)
- June 1 American Bloodhound Club annual dues are due  
<https://www.americanbloodhoundclub.org/>
- June 6 Northern Chapter membership meeting at the Woofstock show, Vallejo, CA

- Oct. 26-31 Southern Chapter hosts ABC 2020 National/Regional, San Diego, CA  
**Lynne Aguirre**, Co-Chair - [LaCrackers@aol.com](mailto:LaCrackers@aol.com)  
**Lisa Jones**, Co-Chair - [Ljones1959@icloud.com](mailto:Ljones1959@icloud.com)

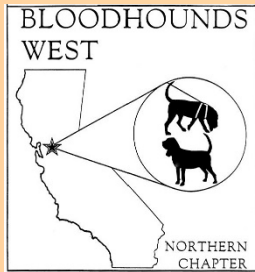
October 3-9, 2021 ABC National/Regional, Indianapolis, IN  
**Chris Flessner**, Show Chair

Sept. 25-Oct. 1, 2022 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.)



# General Meeting Minutes



## Bloodhounds West, Northern Chapter, Minutes

November 23, 2019

Held at the "Duck Pond," Santa Rosa, CA

The meeting was called to order at approximately 12:40 PM.

**ROLL CALL:** *Aldo Branch, Diane Branch, Jason Addison, Jenn Addison, Al Gelders, Pat Moffitt, and Mike McMillan.*

**MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:** Motion by *Mike McMillan* to accept minutes of the general meeting held on August 17, 2019 as published in September issue of *The Daily Drool*. Seconded by *Al Gelders*, motion passed.

**REPORT OF THE CORRESPONDING SECRETARY:** no information.

### REPORT OF THE TREASURER:

Balance for October: \$23,554.31

Income from trailing camps \$90.00

New balance: \$23,644.31

Five entries for trailing trial Dec. 7-8 at Bernal Community Park, Pleasanton.

### REPORT OF COMMITTEES:

Scent Work: Rules explained; need list of classes and equipment required.

**ELECTION OF NEW BOARD MEMBERS:** No additional nominations received so slate of officers submitted by Nominating Committee are now elected.

Motion made by *Mike McMillan* to accept *Cynthia Goble* as Membership Chair. Seconded by *Diane Branch*, motion passed.

### UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

AKC Reunite Trailer: is almost done, would have been useful during recent fires.

### NEW BUSINESS:

2020 National Specialty: hosted by BWSC in late October 2020; Chapter needs our help and support to make the event a success.

Membership Dues: due by January 1; \$25.00, submit to *Cynthia Goble*.

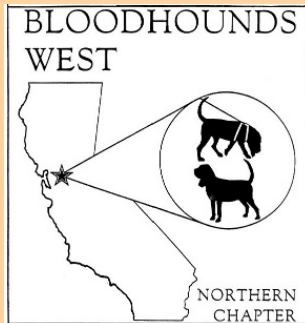
Next General Meeting: at Golden Gate Dog Show in Daly City on January 25, 2020. Try to enter and visit, can enter as exhibitor only.

Newsletter: Send fun photos, brags, stories, or activities to newsletter editor.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Motion to adjourn by *Mike McMillan*. Seconded by *Diane Branch*, motion passed.

*Pat Moffitt*, Recording Secretary

# Board Meeting Minutes



## Bloodhounds West, Northern Chapter, Minutes

December 10, 2019

Meeting by teleconference.

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 PM via conference call.

### ROLL CALL

In attendance were **Aldo Branch, Diane Branch, Jessica Dickson, Lisa Jones, Pat Moffitt, Suzi Paine, Debbie Pray, and Erica Weiss.**

### MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Motion made by **Suzi** to approve minutes of the July 19 meeting. Seconded by **Lisa**, motion passed.

### REPORT OF THE CORRESPONDING SECRETARY

**Suzi** had no correspondence to read.

### REPORT OF THE TREASURER

Debbie reported total bank account balance of \$23,554.31. Incoming money: Oct/Nov \$190; trailing camp-not known at this time. Donation of \$25 to trail from **Betty Seigal.**

### REPORT OF COMMITTEES

Scent Work: **Lisa** will contact Lodi about cost and will get information from AKC.

Trailing Trial: Trial will be in Santa Clara county on March 14-15, 2020. Trailing camps to be held in January and February 2020.

### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

AKC Reunite Trailer: **Pat** stated that trailer is en route to California.

### NEW BUSINESS

Member dues are due January 1, 2020.

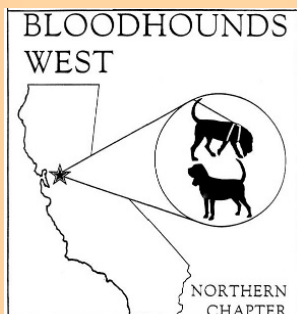
### ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn made by **Diane.** Seconded by **Lisa**, motion passed at 7:37 PM.

**Pat Moffitt,** Recording Secretary



# General Meeting Minutes



## Bloodhounds West, Northern Chapter, Minutes

January 25, 2020

Held at the Golden Gate Kennel Club show, Daly City, CA

The meeting was called to order at approximately 12:06 PM.

**ROLL CALL:** *Al Gelders, Aldo Branch, Amanda Gardner, Angela Gardner, Cesilie Szabo, Debbie Pray, Diane Branch, Elaine Marshall, Elizabeth Pray, Gary Marshall, Jodi Keller, Lisa Jones, Mike McMillan, Pam Herranz, Paul Pacheco, Sue Mealy, and Tanya Thompson.*

**MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:** Motion by *Al* to accept minutes of the November 23, 2019 meeting as distributed at this meeting. Seconded by *Paul*, motion passed.

**REPORT OF THE CORRESPONDING SECRETARY:** no report available.

**REPORT OF THE TREASURER:** *Debbie* presented the annual financial report. Copy is attached to these minutes.

### REPORT OF COMMITTEES:

**Scent Work:** *Lisa* reported she has an application form and is filling it out, more complicated than expected. ABC EEC rules require approval a year in advance of trial so it won't be held until next year.

**Trailing:** *Aldo* reported on trial held in December, two passes. A training camp was held in January with two EECT passes; a February training camp is coming. The next trial will be in March – sign up deadline is February 13.

**ELECTION OF BOARD MEMBERS:** New Officer (VP *Al Gelders*) and new Directors (*Lisa Jones* and *Elaine Marshall*) will begin their terms at the conclusion of the meeting.

**ELECTION OF NEW MEMBERS:** Motion by *Mike* to accept *Nona Perez* as a new (returning) member. Seconded by *Lisa*, motion passed.

### UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

**Membership Dues:** *Aldo* reminded everyone to pay their annual dues, they were due January 1. Contact Membership Chair *Cindy Goble* at [Cynthia.Goble@att.net](mailto:Cynthia.Goble@att.net).

**2020 National Specialty:** *Lisa* reported a lot of activity has been done for the National and a lot remains to be done. *Lisa* passed around a list of jobs for the event and asked for volunteers for those jobs not yet taken. She will provide a job action sheet explaining what each job requires. *Lisa* stated the National website is up ([www.2020ABCNational.com](http://www.2020ABCNational.com)) but still under construction. A FaceBook page is also up

(<https://www.facebook.com/groups/2264484030518457/>). She asked for donations of gifts or raffle items. Donations of old gold jewelry has allowed past Nationals to create special bloodhound jewelry to raffle, that is particularly welcome. The January *ABC Newsletter* has extensive information about the site hotel and hotel amenities.

AKC Reunite Trailer: **Mike** reported **Pat** says the trailer has arrived and is at Sonoma County Animal Services. Photos will be in the March newsletter showing the trailer with our logo on the side.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Honorary Member: Motion made by **Mike** to nominate **Pat Moffitt** as a Bloodhounds West Northern Chapter Honorary Member for her years of service to the Club, to bloodhound breed rescue, to the community as a bloodhound therapy dog handler, and to law enforcement as a bloodhound trailing handler. Seconded by **Paul**, motion passed.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Motion to adjourn by **Debbie**. Seconded by **Pam**, motion passed, meeting adjourned at 12:30 PM.

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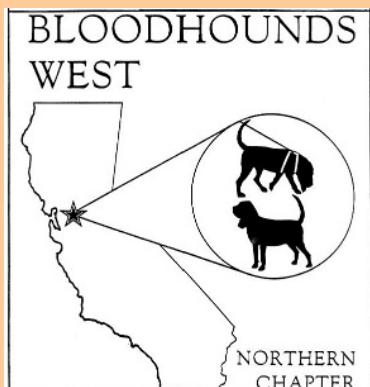
*"I told you there was a burglar..."*



*"Ruby"*

*...he's wearing a mask!*

## Treasurer's Report, Northern Chapter



**Debbie Pray**, Treasurer  
Bloodhounds West, Northern Chapter

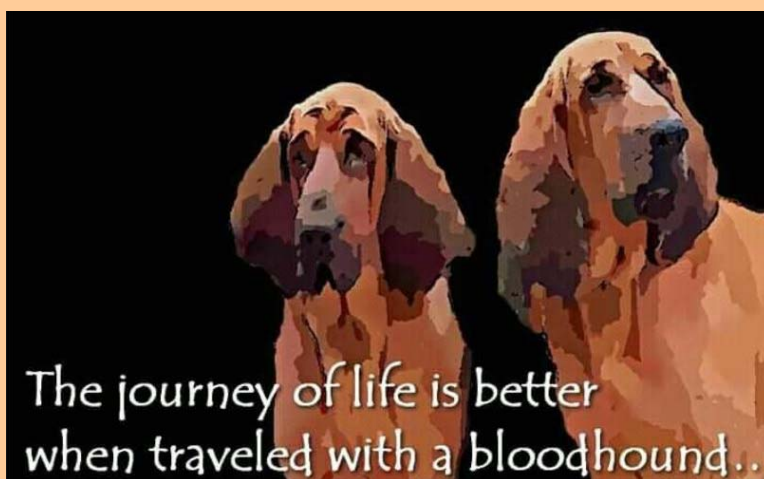
In accordance with the Bloodhounds West By-Laws, "At the annual meeting the Treasurer shall render an account of all monies received and expended during the previous fiscal year." This financial report was presented at the annual meeting of the General Membership held January 25, 2020, at the Cow Palace in Daly City.

### 2019 Annual Report

Beginning balance transferred from previous account:	\$20,000.00
Total amount received:	6,202.84
Total amount spent:	-1,938.53
Balance on December 31, 2019:	\$24,264.31

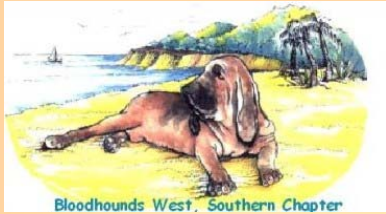
### January 2020 Report

Balance on January 1, 2020:	\$24,264.31
Dues income:	375.00
General Fund donation ( <i>Don</i> and <i>Elsie Rosenthal</i> ):	75.00
January trailing camp expense:	-74.25
Balance on January 22, 2020:	\$24,640.06





# General Meeting Minutes



## Bloodhounds West, Southern Chapter, Minutes

January 4, 2020

Kennel Club of Palm Springs, Indio, CA

The meeting was called to order at 11:24 AM.

**ROLL CALL:** There were 18 members and three guests in attendance at the Kennel Club of Palms Springs show held in Indio's Polo Grounds in sunny southern California. It was a beautiful sunny, crisp, and clear 55° morning and when the meeting started, it had warmed up to a comfortable 65°+. We enjoyed sitting around the motorhomes enjoying a potluck brunch/lunch as the meeting began. The Subway sandwiches were the highlight of the meal. No one left hungry!

**REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT:** *Evelyn* welcomed everyone on her very last meeting as the President and led the basic overview of the past meeting minutes in Costa Mesa, CA. She thanked everyone for their support over the past four years and asked everyone to help *Jan Stallings* as she takes over as President.

**REPORT OF THE CORRESPONDING SECRETARY:** There was no correspondence from *Jan Stallings* in the past month.

**ELECTION OF NEW MEMBERS:** *Barb Copeland* submitted a new applicant – *Greer Stallings* from Glendale, AZ, and the owner of a new puppy bred by her mother, *Jan Stallings*. She is sponsored by *Charlene Eden*. Welcome *Greer*!

### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

**2020 National Specialty:** Unfinished business included the big task of the 2020 National Specialty to be held in San Diego, CA at *The Dana on Mission Bay*. The web site is up and running so check it out, [www.2020abcnational.com](http://www.2020abcnational.com). The theme is **OLD HOLLYWOOD –DANCING IN THE MOONLIGHT!** There is great information about booking the hotel rooms and a list of activities for the week beginning with trailing for two days. Contact *Stacy Mattson*, Trailing Chair at [bloodhoundswest@msn.com](mailto:bloodhoundswest@msn.com) if you would like to be put on the mailing list for a Premium as soon as it becomes available. If you are arriving early to San Diego/Mission Bay and want to be a trail runner for the trailing trial, contact *Stacy*. We will help you get lost and then come and find you! Promise 😊

Contact *Lynne Aguirre* [lcrackers@aol.com](mailto:lcrackers@aol.com) or *Lisa Jones* [ljones1959@icloud.com](mailto:ljones1959@icloud.com) who are the co-chairwomen. There are many ways to help and they have a list of committees to volunteer (grounds, hospitality, obedience, banquet, boutique, etc.). A little help goes a long way.

2020 National Fundraising: **Bobby Eller** donated three hardback books by **Catherine Brey** which are now out of print...great for the beginner owner. Contact **Lisa Jones** regarding these for purchase. **Jan Stallings** has T-shirts for sale in order to raise funds for the National at \$25 each.

Donations, auction items, and broken old gold jewelry are being sent to **Lisa Jones**. A special gold pin is made each year out of members broken, unused, one of a kind, or out- of-date gold items. These items are then melted down and recast into a bloodhound head. This item is then auctioned off to support the National expenses. Thank you to **Laura Boldt** for donating gold. Also thank you to **Julie Harrison** who has donated auction items. The club is selling raffle ticket at each meeting as a fund raiser for \$1 per ticket.

Pet Expo Fair: **Marti Michalis** has volunteered to organize the Pet Expo Fair again from Friday, April 24 through Sunday, April 26 at the Orange County Fairgrounds in Costa Mesa, CA. She needs members to sign up to bring dogs, give out information about the breed, and talk to the general public. Contact her at [martimichalis@gmail.com](mailto:martimichalis@gmail.com) for more information. Let her know which days and/or hours you would be available. She brings all the items for the booth. **Marti** would appreciate help in setting up and tearing down.

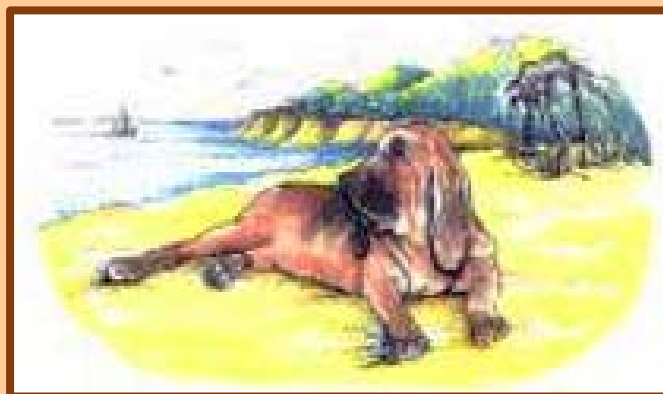
**NEW BUSINESS:** The next General Membership meeting will be held at the Del Mar Kennel Club, Del Mar Fairgrounds, CA, meeting time will be determined after entries close. Contact **Jan Stallings** for time and location. Hint: we usually meet at the ringside and then find out the location, maybe at someone's motorhome. Bring your camp chair and beverage of choice.

**INSTALLATION OF NEW BOARD MEMBERS:** **Jan Stallings** and the new 2020 Board took over as the Annual General Membership meeting was closed at 11:55 AM. The new board was published in the December 2019 issue of *The Daily Drool*.

Hope to see you soon,

**Stacy Mattson**, [bloodhoundswest@msn.com](mailto:bloodhoundswest@msn.com)

Recording Secretary



# ABC Meritorious Service Award

From **Claudia Williams**, MSA Committee Chair

The American Bloodhound Club (ABC) is seeking nominations for their Meritorious Service Award (MSA) to be given to a bloodhound and to a person this year. The award is only given in even-numbered years.

Past members of Bloodhounds West who have received this prestigious award include **Myron and Judy Robb** (2001), **Lynne Aquirre** (2002), and **John and Susan Hamil** (2003). Member **Cindi Sims'** bloodhound "Sage" (Sherick M&M Heaven Sent) was granted the award in 2010.

For the bloodhound, the ABC states, "Criteria for this award shall be the performance of extraordinary service to the community by a purebred bloodhound. This service must be in the areas of volunteer search and rescue, law enforcement work, therapy work, or any other form of service achievement. Show or performance event records, including ABC mantrailing titles, are not acceptable qualifications for this award. The owner of the bloodhound need not be an ABC member; rather, the dog and owner must have performed exemplary service to the community. Both living and deceased bloodhounds are eligible for nomination."

For the individual, the ABC states, "Criteria for the award shall be outstanding service to the ABC and/or the bloodhound breed. Please ensure that the nominee has served well beyond the realm of fulfilling an elected office or appointed position. The nominee need not be an ABC member, but must have performed exemplary service to our breed."

To enter a nomination for review by the MSA Committee, please complete the application shown on the ABC website at the link below. Mail the information to **Claudia Williams**, Committee Chair, 3116 McBryde Street, Linden, NC 28356 or email it to her at: [cmwilliams55@centurylink.net](mailto:cmwilliams55@centurylink.net)

**The nominations must be postmarked  
or emailed by April 15.**

Thank you for your participation!

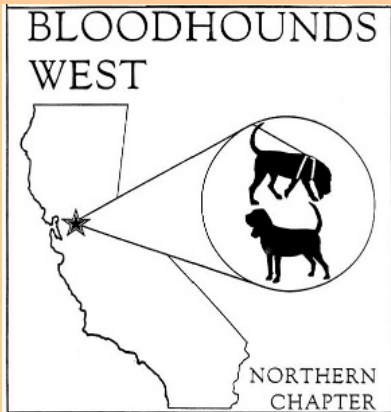
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**Cindi** and "Sage," 2008



## Membership Matters, Northern Chapter



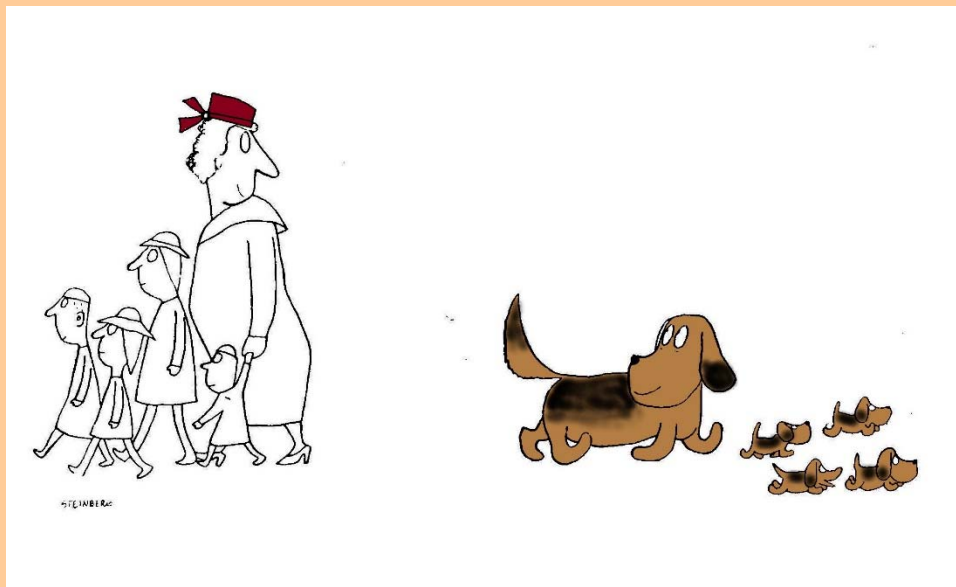
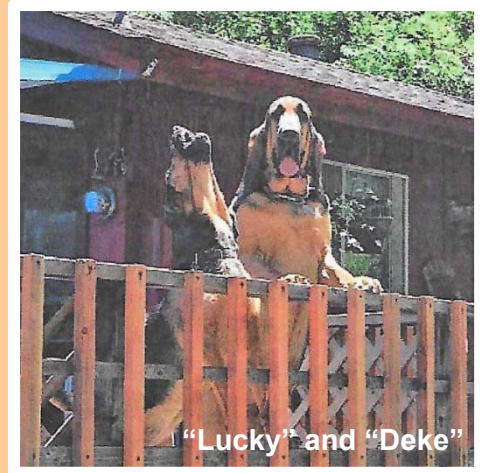
**Cynthia Goble**, Membership Chair  
Bloodhounds West, Northern Chapter

### Thank You for Renewing Your BWNC Membership!

On behalf of the Bloodhound West Northern Chapter (BWNC) Board, I want to thank you very much for renewing your membership. Your ongoing support and involvement means so much to us and is greatly appreciated.

BWNC is primarily funded by member dues and activities. Our effectiveness as a Regional Club of the American Bloodhound Club (ABC) rests upon the dedication and support of our members. Your membership plays a critical role in helping us continue to grow and accomplish our mission and goals.

**In the bloodhound spirit, I am sending you a thankful “Arrroooooo.”**



## Northern Chapter, Honorary Membership



### *Bloodhounds West, Northern Chapter ~ Honorary Member ~ Patricia Moffitt*

Bloodhounds West is exceptionally pleased to elect **Pat Moffitt** as an Honorary Member by unanimous vote during our Annual Membership Meeting, January 25, 2020. Pat has given significant amounts of her time to the Club and Club members, to Bloodhound rescue, to the community as a Bloodhound therapy dog handler, to law enforcement as a Bloodhound trailing handler, and to the breed in general. Offered with warmest appreciation for all you have provided.



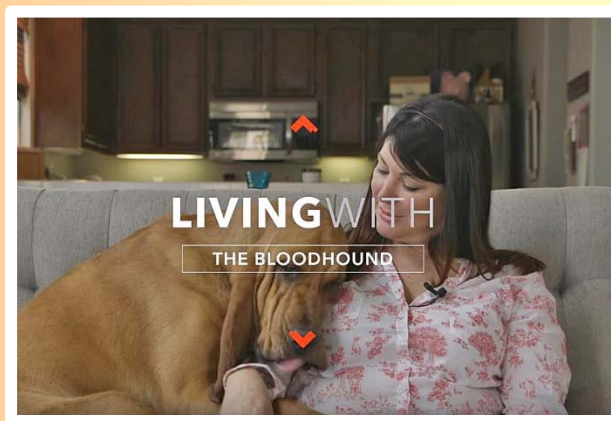


## Bloodhound Activities

### ***“All About Living With Bloodhounds”*** **Featuring *Marti Michalis***

Bloodhounds West member ***Marti Michalis*** stars in a 2017 YouTube video on the *Dogumentary TV* channel describing her life with bloodhounds. The video has been watched over a quarter of a million times. From the introduction:

***“Marti Michalis***, certified dog trainer as well as certified crazy over bloodhounds, shares her home with her dogs and with us. ***Marti*** is the proud owner of two pet bloodhounds, “Johnny” and “Miss Dixie.” Both dogs, even though they come from opposite sides of the tracks, are excellent examples of the bloodhound breed. “Miss Dixie,” an eleven-year-old rescue, has amazing spirit and conformation. The young puppy “Johnny” is coming into his own and has already made several appearances in the AKC show ring.”



To watch ***Marti*** describe life with her bloodhounds, click here.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bllaGmKXlz8&t=202s>

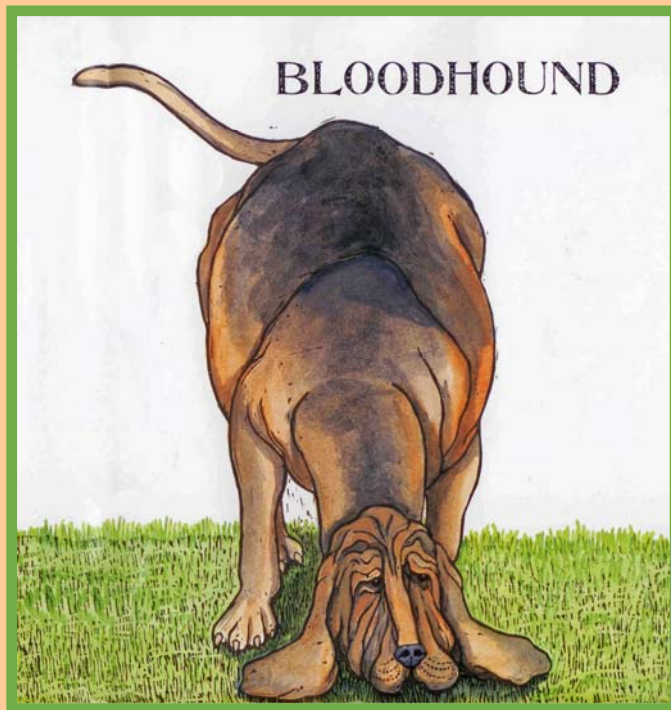


## Bloodhounds in Literature

**Michael J. Rosen** has written and edited more than eighty-five books for children and adults. His simple, charming collection of haiku, **The Hound Dog's Haiku and Other Poems for Dog Lovers** (2011), portrays twenty beloved dog breeds from Beagle to Shih Tzu including our special Bloodhound. The book includes interesting facts about each breed and is illustrated with **Mary Azarian's** striking woodcuts, examples of both shown below.

### Bloodhound

staccato sniffing  
fills your ribs parentheses  
you keep scent's secret



fewer than six million receptors.”

(Source: book and jacket)

“Humorously described as a “nose with a dog attached,” the bloodhound is *the* legendary tracking dog, and the “noble blood” of its carefully bred ancestors gives the breed its name. The bloodhound’s wrinkled brow and long, soft ears cup those scent molecules toward the 230 million olfactory receptors that line its nose. Humans have

(A haiku is a specific type of Japanese poem which has 17 syllables divided into three lines of 5, 7, and 5 syllables. Haikus or haiku are typically written on the subject of nature. (*literaryterms.net*))

# Bloodhound Activities

## “AKC Pet Disaster Relief Trailer”

On October 20, 2018, during a membership meeting at the Southwest Regional Specialty in Pleasanton, **Pat Moffitt** suggested the Northern Chapter help Sonoma County Animal Services obtain an AKC Reunite emergency trailer. If the Chapter donated \$1,000, we

would get our logo on the side of the trailer. Motion was made, seconded, and passed to donate funding for the trailer. The trailer arrived in late December 2019.



“The AKC Pet Disaster Relief trailer is stocked with essential supplies to create a safe, temporary home-base for at least 50 displaced animals directly

after a disaster is declared. The trailer has lighting and is wired for electricity, to run off either a generator or 110v power supply. Typical trailer contents include:

- Administrative Supplies: Log books, volunteer registration forms, wrist/collar bands, check-in materials
- Maintenance Equipment: Batteries, gas can, duct tape
- Animal Care Items: Crates packed on rolling dollies for easy set-up, cat carriers, litter, microchips and scanner, bowls, collars, and leashes
- Equipment: Fans, generator, lighting, hose



- Cleaning Supplies: Mop, trash can, tarps, litter boxes, disinfectants
- Access to Training Materials: Turnkey implementation of co-located shelters and pop-up reunion centers, volunteer mobilization, decontamination, and replenishment.”

Information taken from:

<http://www.akcreunite.org/akcpetdisasterrelieftrailer/>

# Bloodhound Conformation

## ***“Prioritizing Problems in Judging Bloodhounds”***

**By Anne Legge (1933-2017)**

This discussion was prompted by a sweepstakes judge’s request for comments on the strengths and weaknesses of the breed. Serious problems concern structure, function, and the hallmark head. Less serious problems and minor faults focus on aspects of breed type. There are NO disqualifications in the Bloodhound Standard. Judges should consider the ideal and penalize departures to the extent of deviation.

### **Serious Problems**

Lack of Athleticism. Bloodhounds must have the stamina to follow a rugged trail for miles under all sorts of conditions. They need a deep keel, well sprung ribs, and a firm topline. They need bone and substance, strength, muscle, balanced angulation, and well knuckled up feet. They are built for endurance, not to race showily around a ring.

Faulty Front Assembly. The long neck must flow smoothly into muscular shoulders that are well laid back with sufficient prosternum and a deep keel. All these go together and are of utmost importance to the working hound.

Lack of Strong, Deep Loin. The mature body should be deep throughout its length with little or no tuck-up, built for stamina not speed.

Incorrect Head. The Standard is quite specific about the head, which is both functional and a hallmark of the breed. It should be long in proportion to the body; narrow in

proportion to length; 12 inches long in dogs, 11 inches in bitches; muzzle at least as long as back skull; having the appearance of being flattened at the sides and nearly equal in width throughout its length; long, low-set, thin ears; square lip; large, open nostrils; nearly parallel head planes; and prominent occipital peak.

Too Large. Like many other breeds, Bloodhounds are getting larger. The Standard says the greater heights and weights are to be preferred provided that quality and proportion are also combined. However, the top figures

mentioned are 27 inches and 110 pounds for dogs and 25 inches and 90 pounds for





bitches. They must be able to do their work, and sometimes that means being helped over a fence.

Incorrect Silhouette. The Bloodhound should not be square. “Stands over more ground” means rectangular or off-square.

Too Much or Too Little Skin. Bloodhounds need the pendulous ears and super-abundant skin on their head and neck to stir up scent particles and protect their eyes. Excessive skin elsewhere, draping in folds on the thighs and over the base of the tail, is an invitation to bacteria and yeast. Penalize a bad smelling hound.

Faulty Bite. Although the bite is not important to the working function, the Standard is specific: scissors bite preferred, level bite accepted. Check the incisors and penalize undershot and overshot bites as well as dirty or unhealthy teeth.

Bold or Unhealthy Eyes. Bloodhound eyes seem to puzzle judges. The eyes are deeply sunk. Because of the loose skin, the eyelids assume a diamond or lozenge shape, and a pink haw is often visible. A round eye causes an uncharacteristic bold expression. Do not fault somewhat loose eyelids unless the eye appears weepy or unhealthy.

**Minor Faults** Consider these aspects but remember that there are no disqualifications.

Excessive White. The Standard permits a small amount of white on the chest, feet, and tip of stern. Judges must determine what is a “small amount” and consider the relation of white markings to function.

Incorrect Stern Set and Carriage. A stern that is down or carried too gaily is a barometer of mood and an aspect of breed type, not function. Consider the whole hound. However, if something really bothers you, you may decide to fault it.



**Not Addressed by the Standard** Length of leg in relation to height; prosternum; coat length, texture, and waviness; nose color.

**Strengths** Temperament is likely to be good in today’s bloodhounds, “neither quarrelsome with companions nor with other dogs.” The Standard says “somewhat shy,” but “reserved” would be a more accurate descriptor. The late **Douglas Appleton** (UK) says that “shy” means “the hound is sufficient unto himself unless he knows you.” Approach tactfully, not tentatively, speak to them and let them smell your hand.

**When you see a good Bloodhound, you will know it because of the hallmark head, affable demeanor, substance, balance, athleticism, and coordination.**

(Source: posted on The Canine Chronicle’s website, April 2014, <https://caninechronicle.com/?p=47724> )

## Conformation Show Results



Prepared by **Kay Schmitt**

(information from [www.infodog.com](http://www.infodog.com) and [www.jbradshaw.com](http://www.jbradshaw.com))

11/15/2019 **TUCSON KENNEL CLUB**

Judge: **Dr. Carol White-Moser**

BOB/Grp 1: GCH Quiet Creek's Dance With Me

11/16/2019 **TUCSON KENNEL CLUB**

Judge: **Mr. Johnny R. Shoemaker**

1/W/BOS: M&M's Lions, Tigers & Bears, Oh My!

BOB/Grp 2: GCH Quiet Creek's Dance With Me

11/17/2019 **GREATER SIERRA VISTA KENNEL CLUB**

Judge: **Mr. Donovan Thompson**

BOB/Grp 2: GCH Quiet Creek's Dance With Me

11/18/2019 **GREATER SIERRA VISTA KENNEL CLUB**

Judge: **Mrs. Rita Biddle, Esq.**

1/W/BOS: CH M&M's Lions, Tigers & Bears, Oh My!

BOB/Grp 3: GCH Quiet Creek's Dance With Me

11/29/2019 **YUMA KENNEL CLUB**

Judge: **Mrs. Helen Winski Stein**

1/W/BOW: M&M's Lions, Tigers & Bears, Oh My!

BOB: CH McGuire's Hunk Of Burning Love With M&M

11/30/2019 **YUMA KENNEL CLUB**

Judge: **Mr. Robert Stein**

1/W/BOW: M&M's Lions, Tigers & Bears, Oh My!

1/W/BOS: BOBOH Grp 4: Legend's Return To Winterfell

BOB: CH McGuire's Hunk Of Burning Love With M&M

12/1/2019 **IMPERIAL VALLEY KENNEL CLUB**

Judge: **Mrs. Pat Trotter**

1/W/BOW: M&M's Lions, Tigers & Bears, Oh My!

1/W/BOS: Legend's Return To Winterfell

BOB: CH McGuire's Hunk Of Burning Love With M&M

12/2/2019 **IMPERIAL VALLEY KENNEL CLUB**

Judge: **Mr. Thomas Lee Hossfeld**

1/W: M&M's Lions, Tigers & Bears, Oh My!

BOB: CH McGuire's Hunk of Burning Love With M&M

1/3/2020 **INLAND EMPIRE HOUND CLUB OF S.C.  
SWEEPSTAKES**

Judge: **Mr. Troy Abney**

2: CH M&M's Dancin' In Ruby Slippers, MT

1/BOS: Quiet Creek's Fortune Cookie

1/BOB: Flessner's Element Of Fun

**REGULAR CLASSES**

Judge: **Mrs. Pamela S. Lambie**

**6-9 mo. dogs**

1/W/BOW: Flessner's Element Of Fun

**6-9 mo. Bitches**

1: Legends Return To Winterfall

**12-18 mo. Bitches**

1/W: Quiet Creek's Fortune Cookie

1/RW: Quiet Creek's I'm A Believer

2: Kocar's Pitchin' A Hissy Fit

**Non-Reg Eligible BOB/BOV Veteran Dog**

1/ SELECT: GCH M&M's The Alamosa Kid Has A Price On His Head

**Best Of Breed/ Variety**

BOS: GCH Southwind's Man O'War With M&M

Select: GCHB Hunterhound The Grail Maiden, MTX

BOB/Grp 2: CH Loamy Lane's Qalamity Jane of Quiet Creek

1/11/2020

**LONG BEACH KENNEL CLUB**

Judge: **Mr. Robert D. Ennis**

BOB/Grp 1/**BIS**: GCHB: Quiet Creek's Dance With Me

1/12/2020

**LONG BEACH KENNEL CLUB**

Judge: **Mr. Jason Hoke**

BOB: GCHB: Quiet Creek's Dance With Me

1/16/2020

**TUALATIN KENNEL CLUB**

Judge: **Sulie Greendale-Paveza**

BOS: GCHB Quiet Creek's Let It Bee

BOB: GCHB Southwind's Man O'War With M&M

1/17/2020

**DOG FANCIERS OF OREGON, INC.**

Judge: **Ms. Christine Erickson**

BOS: GCHB Quiet Creek's Let It Bee

BOB: GCHB Southwind's Man O'War With M&M

1/25/2020

**GOLDEN GATE KENNEL CLUB**

Judge: **Mr. Nicholas G. Frost**

**Open Dogs**

1/W: Teoc's Marshall Dillon

**Open Bitches**

1/W/BOW: Patch Of Heavens Marshall's Dani Sioux

**Veteran, 7 years & Over Bitches**

1: Sherick's M&M's My Red Hot Tamale

**Best of Breed**

Select/BOBOH: GCHB Hunterhound The Grail Maiden, MTX

BOS: CH Recycled Ruff's Dead Men Tell No Tails CGCA CGCU TKN

BOB/Grp 3: CH Loamy Lane's Qalamity Jane Of Quiet Creek



- 1/25/2020 **KACHINA KENNEL CLUB**  
 Judge: **Ms. Laurie King Telfair**  
 1/W/OS/BOBOH: Legends Return To Winterfell  
 BOB: GCHB Southwind's Man O'War With M&M CGC
- 1/26/2020 **GOLDEN GATE KENNEL CLUB**  
 Judge: **Mrs. Linda M. Riedel**  
**Open Dogs**  
 1/W: Teoc's Marshall Dillon  
**Open Bitches**  
 1/W/BOW: Patch of Heaven's Marshall's Dani Sioux  
**Veteran, 7 years & Over Bitches**  
 1: Sherick's M&M's My Red Hot Tamale  
**Best of Breed**  
 Select/BOS: GCHB Quiet Creek's Let It Bee  
 BOS: CH Recycled Ruff's Dead Men Tell No Tails CGCA CGCU TKN
- 1/26/2020 **KACHINA KENNEL CLUB**  
 Judge: **Mr. Roger R. Hartinger**  
 BOB: GCHB Southwind's Man O'War With M&M CGC
- 2/1/2020 **SUN MAID KENNEL CLUB OF FRESNO, INC.**  
 Judge: **Mrs. Pamela B. Peat**  
**6-9mo. Dogs**  
 1/W: Quiet Creek Legend's Augustus  
**Open Dogs**  
 1/R: Teoc's Marshall Dillon  
**Open Bitches**  
 1/W/BOW: Patch of Heavens Marshall's Dani Sioux  
**Best of Breed**  
 Select: GCHB Quiet Creek's Let It Bee  
 Select: CH Recycled Ruff's Dead Men Tell No Tails CGCA CGCU TKN  
 BOS: 3 GCh pts: GCH Quiet Creek's Blarney Stone CGC  
 BOB/BOBOH: 5 GCh pts: CH M&M's Dancin' In Ruby Slippers, MT
- 2/2/20 **SUN MAID KENNEL CLUB OF FRESNO, INC.**  
 Judge: **Mrs. Eva E. Berg**  
**6-9 mo. Dogs**  
 1/R: Quiet Creek Legend's Augustus  
 1/W: Teoc's Marshall Dillon  
 1/W/BOW: Patch OF Heaven's Marshall's Dani Sioux  
 BOS: 3 GCh pts: CH Recycled Ruff's Dead Men Tell No Tails CGCA CGCU TKN  
 Select: 2 GCH pts: GCH Quiet Creek's Blarney Stone CGC  
 Select: 2 GCH pts: CH M&M's Dancin' In Ruby Slippers MT  
 BOB/BOBOH: 5 GCH pts: GCHB Hunterhound The Grail Maiden MTX
- 2/10/20 **WESTMINSTER KENNEL CLUB**  
 Judge: **Mr. Eric Liebes**  
 BOB: GCHS Quiet Creek's Dance With Me  
 Award Of Merit: GCHB Southwind's Man O'War With M&M CGC TKN

## Bloodhound Activities



### ***“America’s Family Pet Expo”***

**Calling all Bloodhound friends!** We need volunteers to represent our breed at the annual OC Pet Expo. We have three full days of meet-and-greet where we get to share our fabulous breed with the public and answer their questions. It’s a fun event with a lot to do.

Friday, April 24 through Sunday, April 26 from 10 AM to 6 PM each day. We need puppies, adults, rescue, trailing, conformation, and everyone in between.

Please contact ***Marti Michalis*** if you can volunteer.  
(949) 633-9985 or [martimichalis@gmail.com](mailto:martimichalis@gmail.com)

**April 24,25,26 Fri-Sun**



**OC Fairgrounds  
88 Fair Dr. Costa Mesa**





## Bloodhound Brags

### **"Westminster Winners"**

**By Marti Michalis**



Three of our very own Bloodhounds West hounds from California were qualified and invited to show at the *Westminster Kennel Club* this year. *Westminster* is the super bowl of dog shows. It is a top-notch competition attracting the best of the best from around the country. The excitement and energy from the crowd, the television crews, the beautifully groomed dogs, and the prestige of being there is like no other event. **Westminster, There's only one.®**

This year the qualifying was a little bit different. Dogs ranked in the top five with breed points by October 31 were formally invited to enter. The entries were limited to Champion dogs only and once the top five invited dogs had entered the other Champions of record could enter for a spot until they

were all filled. Due to the lack of space they spread out the breed competitions over three days at the piers and continued the group competitions at Madison Square Garden in the evenings.

**GCHS CH Quiet Creek's Dance with Me "Piper"** was shown by **Tara Shultz** and is owned by **John** and **Susan Hamil**. She is easily a fan favorite and recognized by all those active in conformation. "Piper" was lovely, as usual, and was awarded Best of Breed by judge **Dr. Eric Liebes**.

**GCHB CH Southwind's Man O War with M&M "Johnny"** was shown by **Luke Baggenstos** for the 1st time. He is owned by **Marti Michalis** and **Brittany Buchanan**. He moved smoothly and represented the Bloodhound breed well. "Johnny" received an Award of Merit by judge **Dr. Eric Liebes**.

**GCHB CH Quiet Creek's Let It Bee "Wanda"** was qualified and invited to enter but she did not enter this year. "Wanda" is owned by **Lisa Jones**. She would have been a wonderful addition to the line-up of Bloodhounds that showed.



Thank you to all that support our Bloodhounds and for the continuing efforts to breed purpose-bred dogs. Looking forward to Westminster 2021.



# ABC 2020 National and Regional

**Coming October 26 through 31, 2020  
To beautiful San Diego, California**

Bloodhounds West's Southern Chapter will be hosting the ABC National and Regional Specialty shows this fall with **the theme of "Old Hollywood."**

Location will be at *The Dana on Mission Bay* in warm and sunny San Diego. A very canine-friendly hotel, guests receive a "Dana For Dogs Arrival Kit" complete with a list of dog friendly restaurants, parks & attractions, Dana For Dogs water bowl, dog treats, and more!  
*(Click for more hotel information)*

San Diego is full of attractions including the San Diego Zoo, Sea World, USS Midway aircraft carrier, several outstanding museums, Legoland, whale-watching cruises, paddle or surfboard rentals, and plenty of shopping



opportunities. *(Click for more San Diego information)*

And, of course, we will have all the exciting bloodhound events and friendly hospitality you have come to expect at an ABC National and Regional Specialty show. This should be an elegant "ball!"

Our ABC National Facebook page and website will be coming out soon. Stay connected! Contact **Lisa Jones** with questions or offers to help: text to 209 613-3000 or email [ljones1959@icloud.com](mailto:ljones1959@icloud.com)

AMERICAN BLOODHOUND CLUB PRESENTS  
2020 NATIONAL



"Ginger"

"Fred"

DANCING IN THE MOONLIGHT

"Everybody here is out of sight  
They don't bark, and they don't bite  
They keep things loose, they keep 'em light  
Everybody was dancin' in the moonlight"  
*(Dancin' in the Moonlight, King Harvest, 1973)* *(Click to sing along)*

## Bloodhound Breeders

In Purina's *Today's Breeder*, Issue 100, is a story about Quiet Creek bloodhounds, owned by Bloodhounds West members **Dr. John** and **Susan Hamil**. The AKC Canine Health Foundation was given permission to post a link (given below) to the story as part of their educational resources' library. The first paragraphs of the six-page story are given here.

### **QUIET CREEK BLOODHOUNDS: A LIFETIME OF CROWNING ACHIEVEMENTS**

About an hour and half from Hollywood, tucked in the San Joaquin Hills of Laguna Canyon in California, is a kennel called Quiet Creek Bloodhounds. Many blue-ribbon hounds track their beginning to Quiet Creek and breeder **Susan LaCroix Hamil**. A famous movie star Bloodhound, "Rocky" (CH Quiet Creek's Stand By Me), who was "Hubert" in the 2000 comedy "Best in Show," came from Quiet Creek.

In a hilarious scene, **Christopher Guest** as owner **Harlan Pepper** takes "Hubert" on a walk in the woods before a dog show. "Bloodhounds have a great nose, and they can also talk," says **Pepper**, scrunching the loose skin on "Hubert's" forehead as the hound smooches his cheek. "His mind is like telepathy telling the judge, 'Hey, judge, I know what you're thinking. I am the best dog in the whole ring.'"

"I heard about auditions for Best in Show and took Rocky and several Bloodhounds for **Christopher Guest** to see, and when we took Rocky out, **Mr. Guest** went right to him," says **Susan**, the 2006 American Kennel Club (AKC) Hound Group Breeder of the Year. "Rocky was a dog who could walk in a room and capture everyone's attention. He acted like a star." (Click the link below to read the whole story)



Photo from Today's Breeder

<http://www.akcchf.org/educational-resources/library/articles/Today-s-Breeder-Quiet-Creek-Bloodhounds-A-Lifetime-of-Crowning-Achievements-Jan2020.pdf>



## Bloodhound Brag

Member **Pat Moffitt's** "Lacey" (Kocars Leather and Lace) and "Lucy" (Lucy's a Lucky Lady) both earned their AKC Farm Dog Certified (FDC) titles in February.



To earn an FDC title, your hound must pass twelve stations:

- 1) Greet judge
- 2) Perform a walking pattern around farm environment/passive stranger
- 3) Jump on hay/straw bale
- 4) Walk by farm animals
- 5) Walk over or through unusual surfaces
- 6) Supervised separation
- 7) Pass through a gate
- 8) Handler feeds livestock
- 9) Reaction to another dog
- 10) Reaction to noise
- 11) Dog approaches livestock
- 12) Physical examination

<https://www.akc.org/sports/herding/farm-dog-certified-test/>

**WuMo:** By Mikael Wulff and Anders Morgenthaler





# Bloodhound Apparel



(Must have some green in the March issue)

## Bloodhound Movie Quiz

These images are from a 2000 crime comedy film written, produced, and directed by **Joel** and **Ethan Coen**, and starring **George Clooney**, **John Turturro**, and **Tim Blake Nelson**, with **John Goodman**, **Holly Hunter**, and **Charles Durning** in supporting roles.

The film is set in 1937 rural Mississippi during the Great Depression. Story is a modern satire loosely based on **Homer's** epic poem, *The Odyssey*, that incorporates mythology from the American South. Much of the music used in the film is period folk music.

(Source: Wikipedia and the movie)



(Thank you, **Adriana**, for suggesting this movie)

Can you name the movie?

Answer to the December Movie Quiz: bloodhounds are called out when Andy escapes from the prison in the 1994 movie, *The Shawshank Redemption*.



## Bloodhounds in the News

Collected by **Cynthia Goble**



Wildwood, FL – In January 2020, Sumter County Sheriff's **Deputy Matta** and his scent discriminate bloodhound, K9 Charlotte, responded to a missing 11-year-old call. Deputies and K9 Charlotte deployed from the location where the missing juvenile was last spotted. Using scent collected at the scene, K9 Charlotte began trailing at a full sprint. "We followed Charlotte for approximately 65 yards running behind her when she made a right turn darting behind a large bush. I observed

Charlotte in a sitting position next to the juvenile," stated **Dep. Matta**.

Sumter County Sheriff's Office had recently completed specialized Scent Discriminate K9 and Missing Person Response training as part of the Bringing The Lost Home Project, a bill which was signed by **Gov. Ron DeSantis** in June 2019.

Sumter County is one of three Florida counties selected to participate in the pilot project proposed by Tallahassee-based, Scent Evidence K9 and The Alzheimer's Project to improve law enforcement's missing person response and search recovery rates. Sumter County **Sheriff William Farmer Jr.** stated, "The advanced scent discriminate trailing techniques and scent collection technology tools have enhanced our K9 Unit's capabilities to successfully locate a missing person." ([scentevidencek9.com](http://scentevidencek9.com))



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DAVIS COUNTY, UT — The Davis County Sheriff's Office is going to get a new furry friend on their force. *Hansen's Hounds* in Iowa is donating a bloodhound puppy to the sheriff's office this holiday season.



It hasn't been decided which puppy will be donated. *Hansen's* says a handler will inspect the leader on December 16 and choose.

"Law Enforcement doesn't typically have a big budget for this," *Hansen's* said. "We donate a pup or two to law enforcement each litter because we know what these dogs are capable of and get great satisfaction following the pups through their careers serving our communities." ([fox13now.com](http://fox13now.com))



ROCHESTER, NY — An 8-week old female bloodhound is the first-of-its kind in recent Monroe County law enforcement history. Peak will be assigned to help find people who may be missing in cases involving autism, Alzheimer's disease, or dementia, runaways, or people trying to avoid deputies. Peak's handler will be **Deputy Michael Ottley**.



The addition of a bloodhound K9 to the MCSO family is a priority and of importance to **Sheriff Todd Baxter**.

"Bloodhounds do one thing better than any other creature; find people who are lost, missing, or hiding," **Sheriff Baxter** said. "We are excited to welcome 'Peak' to our trained team of deputies, using her highly active energy and intelligence, coupled with her keen sense of smell, to assist MCSO in cases of missing persons and search and rescue."

Peak is undergoing training to perfect her sense of smell skills and to learn and be socialized. She is named after the High Peaks Wilderness area of the Adirondack region where she was born. ([www.mpnnow.com](http://www.mpnnow.com))



LIVINGSTON, NY — State troopers in Columbia County used a bloodhound to find an upstate man who was accused of stealing a car in Westchester County. Police said the suspect was charged with third-degree criminal possession of stolen property, a felony, second-degree criminal impersonation and reckless driving, misdemeanors, and numerous vehicle and traffic law charges.

Police said the suspect was stopped by a trooper for speeding on State Route 82 in Livingston. After providing a false ID card, police said he sped away and led troopers on



a chase that ended on Spring Road in Livingston. At that point, he got out of the car, which had been stolen from Westchester County, and fled on foot.

**Trooper Justin Bell** and his K-9 bloodhound Tilly responded to the scene and, with the assistance of **Investigator Brendan Filli** and other patrols, tracked the suspect for 3 miles. He was subsequently found hiding in the rafters of a barn on Blue Valley Road in Livingston.

**Captain David Kolb** said **Bell** and his partner Tilly are excellent at tracking and through the team effort the incident was resolved with no one being hurt. ([patch.com](http://patch.com))



GUNTERSVILLE, AL — Dixie is a 2-year-old bloodhound and while she may be adorable, she's one of only 2 dogs in the entire state with her kind of tracking certification! That expertise is now being put to use by the Marshall County Sheriff's Office.

"If we have somebody running from the deputies or we have a missing person, Alzheimer's or a child or something of that nature that's what she does," said **Reserve Deputy Glen Pike**. One of her handlers, **Pike** was a K-9 handler before he retired from law enforcement 15 years ago.



He said during his time he tracked down nearly 30 people, including a child who'd been missing for more than 24 hours. "She was asleep, curled up in a field that had grass about that high, right out in the middle of it, curled up asleep," said **Pike**.

A dog like Dixie could cost upward of \$10,000, but businesses across Marshall County chipped in, and so did the reserve deputy program. That covers the cost of the dog, her vet bills, food and other needs.

Dixie hasn't been on an official search yet, but deputies say she's ready whenever she's needed. "There's nothing like a bloodhound tracking somebody so any department that needs to use us we'd be happy to come help them out," said **Pike**. ([www.waaytv.com](http://www.waaytv.com))



LEE COUNTY, FL — Shortly after 2:00 am on a Thursday morning, the Lee County Sheriff's Office responded to a North Fort Myers home regarding a missing 85-year-old female.

K9 Handler, **Deputy Sheriff First Class Julio Lock** and bloodhound, Maggie, quickly arrived on scene.

Maggie is one of two Lee County Sheriff's Office bloodhounds specially trained for search and rescue and part of the "ReUnite" program. Bloodhounds possess a remarkable ability to track human scent over very long distances.

**Deputy Lock** and Maggie went to work on the eastern side of North Tamiami Trail.



The missing woman was located by Maggie behind a residence.

Although requiring minor medical treatment, the 85-year-old female is safe and doing well!

([www.facebook.com/sheriffleefl](http://www.facebook.com/sheriffleefl))

# Salute to Our Senior Bloodhounds

By **Claudia Myers**

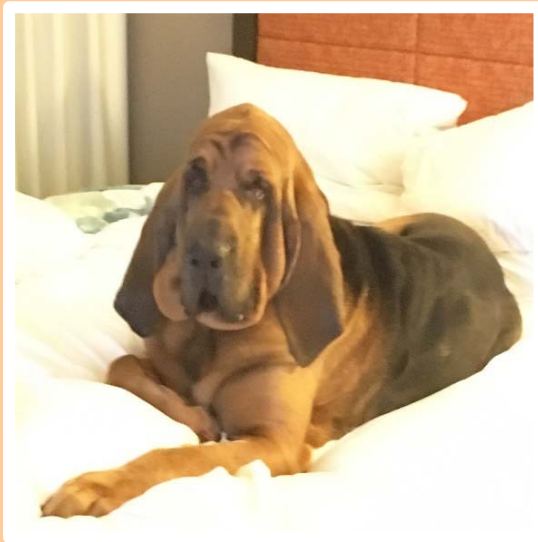
I want to thank everyone for sharing your Seniors with us. It's so heartwarming to see the photos and read their stories. This brings to mind some quotes from my hero, **Roger Caras**, who was a lover of bloodhounds.

*Dogs are not our whole life, but they make our lives whole.*

*If you don't own a dog, at least one, there is not necessarily anything wrong with you, but there may be something wrong with your life.*

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

I first came across **Roger** when I read his book which I highly recommend, "Yankee: The Inside Story of a Champion Bloodhound."



## "Steeler"

GCH Wynbrook Apogee Ironclad Oath  
MTX TD CGC

Loved by **Janet Kelly**

Born June 25, 2010

At 9 1/2 years young, Steeler is still a handful! He is beautiful, intelligent, spirited, intuitive, and comical. He loves to work in harness still, and is a terrific travel companion. I am so fortunate to share my life with this big boy!

## "Bob"

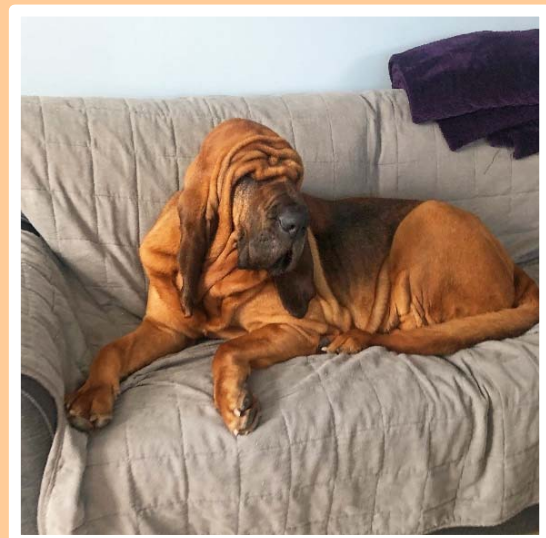
GCHP Quiet Creek's Limited Edition, CHIC

Loved by **Susan** and **John Hamil**

and **Tara** and **Bruce Schultz**

Born February 10, 2012

Here is "Bob" enjoying retirement on his favorite sofa! He celebrated his eighth birthday on February 10.







## **“June”**

June Carter Cash

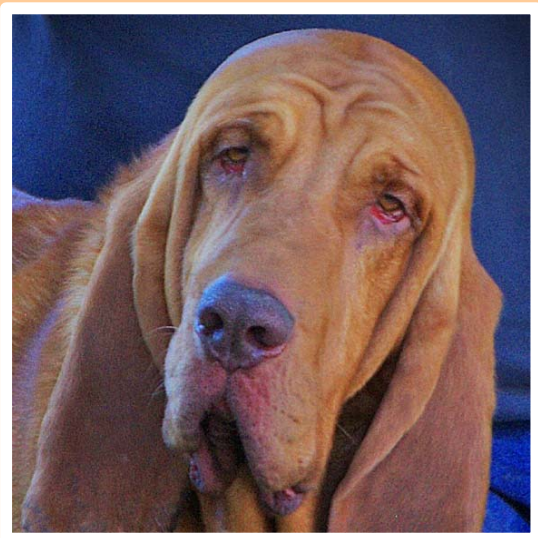
Loved by **Elsie** and **Don Rosenthal**

Born 2009

“June” was adopted from Rocket Dog Rescue in San Francisco on July 4, 2011 so she is at least 10.5 years old. **Pali Boucher** at RDR loves all hounds, so many rescues know to call her when a hound dog needs a home. But that did not happen with “June” - **Pali** was browsing the web one night and found “June” in the Lake County Shelter. She was underweight, a stray and terrified of men. **Pali's** cousin picked “June” up the next day from the shelter and several weeks later, after visiting our home and checking out the sofa and beds, “June” decided to move in with us! She has been the sweetest, stubbornest, vocal and most beautiful dog we have ever owned.

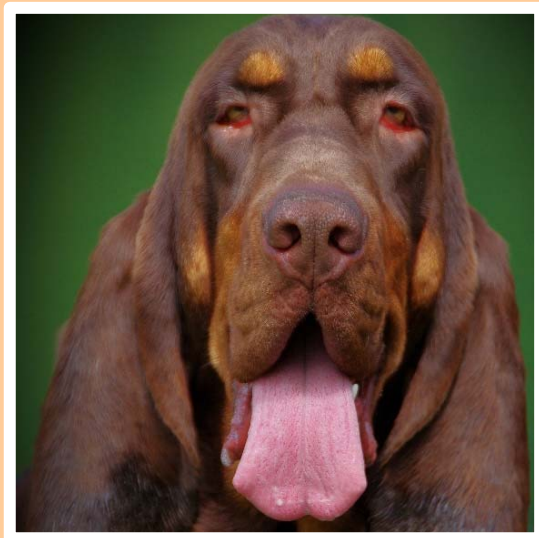
She had a second bout with a mast cell tumor about two months ago but she had surgery and is on the road to recovery. “June” lives an active life between our home in Tiburon and our property in Petaluma with three acres (purchased for her by my husband **Don** in 2012). We did take her to a trailing day up in Windsor when we first got her. **Pat** put a harness on her and she tracked a man for a mile or so. They thought she had been trained but we never knew. “June” decided she had hit the "doggie lotto" and did not need to work to support herself so she never went back to trailing camp!

I am on the Board of the Marin Humane Society in Novato. We recently purchased a large mobile adoption/medical van. “June” and her brother “Scooter” (a Treeing Walker Coonhound) will have their pictures on the side of the van for many years to come - hope to promote bloodhounds! (*Elsie will send us a picture of the van once it is delivered*). At “June's” age we treasure every day we spend with her. She gets a McDonald's cone about once a week and travels with us most everywhere.



### **“Diamond”**

Marshall's Red Diamond  
Loved by **Elaine** and **Gary Marshall**  
Born November 23, 2011



### **“Darla”**

Marshall's Darla Sioux  
Loved by **Elaine** and **Gary Marshall**  
Born August 30, 2012

Elaine writes “Recently I read and agree with this quote: “A senior dog is such a great companion. It’s not always easy but it’s always rewarding.” “Diamond” and “Darla” bring a lot of joy and happiness to our family.



### **“Lucy”**

Lucy’s a Lucky Lady  
Loved by **Pat Moffitt**  
Born 2012

“Lucy” belonged to a homeless man who had a stroke and his caregiver refused to care for his dog. **Pat** took “Lucy” in and she is doing great. She goes to Scent Work classes every Monday and she just earned her Farm Dog Certified title. She was not taken care of right and she is missing all her top and bottom front teeth. Makes it hard to treat her when she alerts on the correct odor.



## “Basker”

Ridgerunner Curious Canine  
RN, TDX, TDU, MTI, FDC, CGC

Loved by **Mike McMillan**

Born July 8, 2012

The Bloodhound Standard must have been written with “Basker” in mind: “In temperament she is extremely affectionate, neither quarrelsome with companions nor with other dogs.” She is the sweetest dog I have ever owned; she is so much fun. And what a nose, tracking and trailing titles. Thank you, **Tracy Favre**, for the pick of the “CC” litter.

## “Mandy”

GCH Heroes In Your Dreams Mandolin  
MT RN

Loved by **Ted** and **Joyce Taylor**

Born October 6, 2012

Our “Mandolin” ... “Mandy” will be eight years old on October 6, but keep that a secret because she is convinced she is still less than two! She can romp with the best of the little kids.

It’s a joy to get up in the morning and come out to have this “puppy” stand up and put her arms around your neck and say, “How was your night, Mom?”

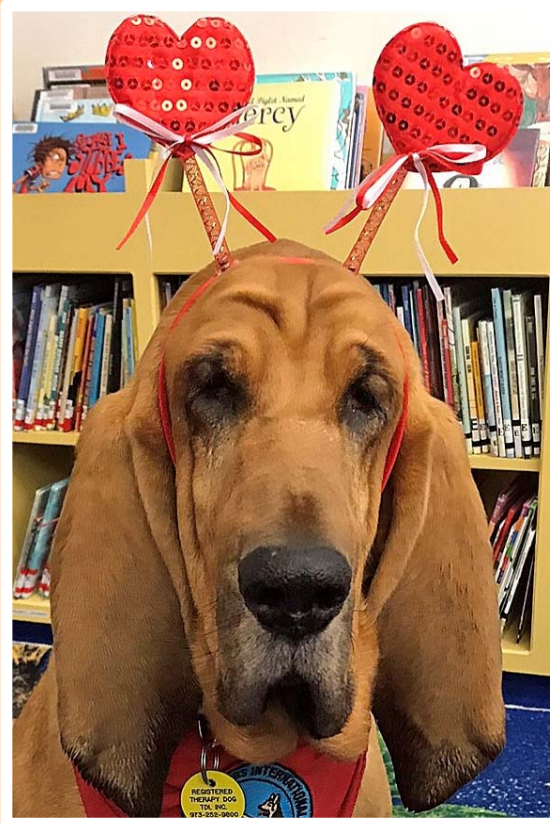
No one has told “Mandy” that she is a Therapy Dog (or taken her for training) but she wakes up out of a deep sleep if she feels you are unhappy (and again, put her arms around your neck). When she feels you are okay, she will easily go to her leather love seat and fall back to sleep.

We have a new rambunctious Beagle, “Teep.” “Mandy” is in love with her new baby and if she thinks “Teep” needs something she will come get us and harass us until we get up and go see what the baby needs. “Mandy” practically takes us by the hand to go to the puppy.

Dear God, please let “Mandy” live for 20 years! She is such a joy!!!







## “Katie”

Wychway’s Strawberry Fields Forever CGC  
Loved by **Claudia** and **Charlie Myers**  
Born November 15, 2012

“Katie” remains our sweetest and most mischievous bloodhound! She continues her Therapy Dog work and gets many smiles from children and adults who spend time with her. We are so lucky she is our girl and it’s hard to believe she’s a Senior as she still acts like a young girl.

“Katie” and I recently visited the Hospice House where a choir of seven women was singing. We sat down to listen and “Katie” slowly raised her nose in the air and walked into the center of the women and went up to each of them and gently touched each of them with her nose - we all felt she was thanking them. She continues to blow me away.

## “Molly”

Sherick’s M&M’s My Red Hot Tamale CGC  
Loved by **Debbie Pray**, **Paul Pacheco**,  
**Molly Nye**, and **Sherry Duling**  
Born March 5, 2008

“Molly” came to us 12 years ago. That’s us when she was 10 weeks old. We picked her up at **Molly Nye’s** place.

She is the best girl ever! She loves to snuggle, loves walks, loves to travel - we even went to the Nationals in Texas in 2019 and had a great time. We have another picture of her winning Best of Breed at 11 years young. She LOVES being in the ring and knows all are looking at her. We love her soooooo much. XXXXOOOO



## “Luke”

GCH Quiet Creek’s Blarney Stone  
SWN CGC

Loved by **Lisa Jones**  
Born March 25, 2013

This is my boy “Luke.” He is the Best. Dog. Ever. So beautiful and a temperament to match. This is his first year as a senior and still acts like a 2-year-old. He is fantastic!



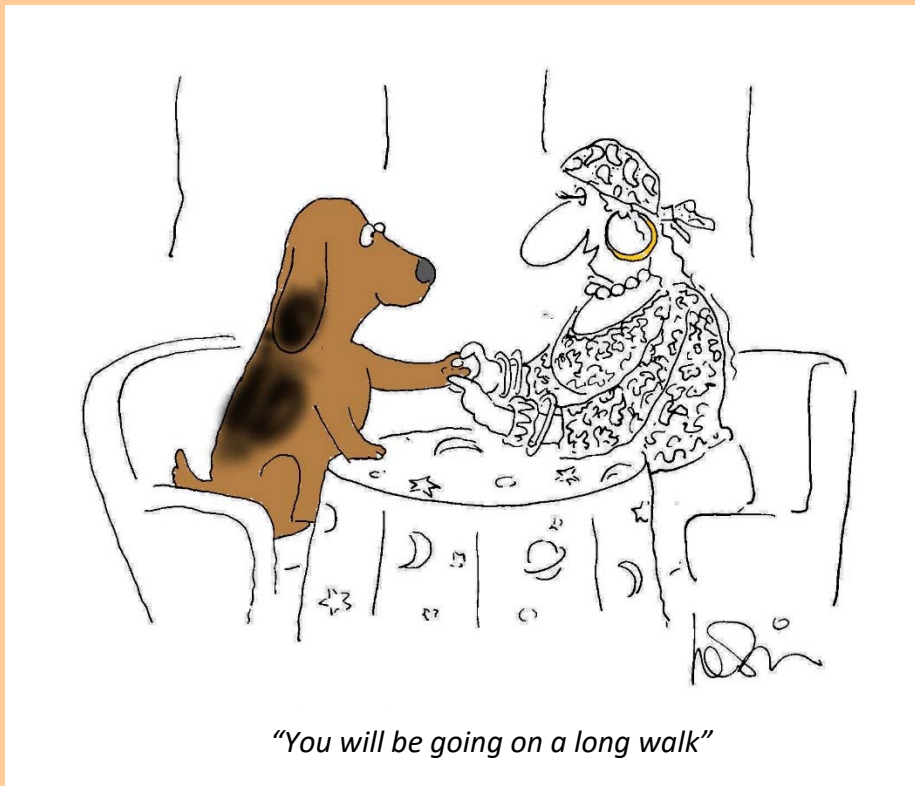
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*Editor: in every March issue, with **Claudia’s** help, we would like to salute our senior hounds. Every member’s hound who has had a seventh birthday by the end of that March is eligible. Once they reach senior status, your hound is welcome to appear every year, the more the merrier.*

*“Dogs’ lives are too short. Their only fault, really.” **Agnes Sligh Turnbull.***

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*“You will be going on a long walk”*



# Bloodhound Health

## “All About a Dog’s Sense of Taste”

From the *Woof Report*

With assistance from *Wychway’s Strawberry Fields Forever*, “Katie”

A dog’s sense of smell is extraordinary, but how about a dog’s sense of taste? How developed is it given the unappetizing things a dog will eat? Read on and find out.

Stories detailing the amazing capabilities of a dog’s sense of smell continually appear in the news. Detection of various cancers? Check. Detection of bombs and explosives? Check. Detection of toxic mold and bed bugs? Check. Detection of wildlife ‘scat’ to aid wildlife conservation? Check. Detection of a trail from a lost child? Check. Detection of a can of dog food being opened while napping? Check!

But how about a dog’s sense of taste? Given the unusual and downright unappetizing things you’ve probably seen your dog eat, you probably already know a dog’s sense of taste is not well developed. And it comes as no surprise. After all, a dog’s sense of smell is extraordinary, and a dog’s sense of hearing is excellent, so it would seem unusual that all of the senses of one particular species would be so highly developed.

Read on for interesting facts about your



“Katie” says: “I have a special bowl because Mom says I eat too fast – and I can tell you this bowl slows me down.”



“Mom makes me wear a snood when I eat so my ears stay clean,” says “Katie.”

best friend’s sense of taste:

- Dogs have about 1,700 taste buds in their mouths, while humans have about 9,000 and our feline friends, only around 470.
- Although a dog’s sense of taste is the least developed of their senses, dogs are capable of detecting bitter, sweet, salty, and sour tastes. Humans and cats detect the same four, although it was previously believed cats could not taste sweets. In humans, a fifth taste called *umami* or ‘savory’ was recently recognized in the West as a basic taste, and a



1991 research study determined that dogs showed taste responses to “umami substances.”

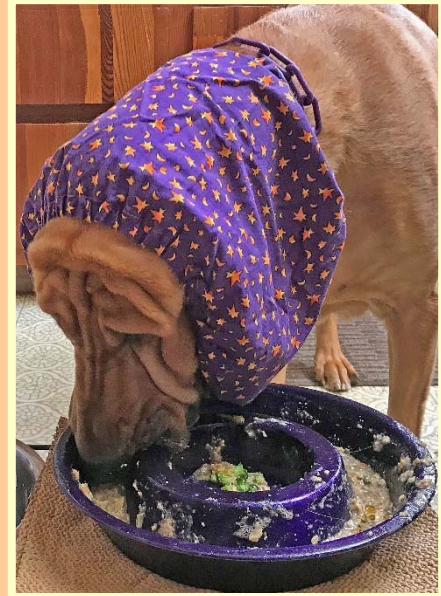
- Most of a dog’s taste buds are centered around the tip of the tongue.
- Studies show a dog will avoid eating a particular food that has caused sickness in the past for a certain amount of time; it’s an instinctive protective mechanism.
- Along with touch, taste is the only sense developed in dogs at birth although it takes weeks for them to fully develop.

“...dogs generally prefer meat or meat-flavored foods since...”

- Many sources point to the fact dogs taste salt, sweet, bitter and

sour. Studies show dogs also have a sweet tooth (while cats cannot taste sweets) and according to **Dr. Ann Hohenhaus** of the Animal Medical Center in New York, who wrote about dog’s sense of taste in *The New York Times* Science Q & A, dogs generally prefer meat or meat-flavored foods” since the taste buds are programmed to distinguish amino acids, the building blocks of protein.

- A dog’s sense of taste and smell are considered to be closely linked, with dogs likely gathering more information about the food they eat from its smell versus taste. **Dr. Ann Hohenhaus** explains dogs have 60 times as many smell receptors as humans do and they have 40 times as much brainpower dedicated to smell, allowing them to differentiate 30,000 to 100,000 aromas. For this reason, she states, in dogs, “smell is likely the driving force behind food preferences and at least part of the reason dogs wolf down their food without savoring a bite.”



“Katie” says: “I heard they give you more treats when you’re being trained, so I’m planning to act dumb for as long as possible.”

Special thanks to **Claudia Myers** for sharing her photos of “Katie.”

Source:

<https://www.woofreport.com/tips/discover/more-bones-to-chew-on/all-about-a-dogs-sense-of-taste.html>

## The Bloodhound's Kitchen



### **“Grain-Free Apple Peanut Butter Pupcakes” By Cynthia Goble**

Made from just six wholesome grain-free and sugar-free ingredients, these pupcakes are very cute little treats that I think your bloodhound will appreciate. The best part being that they're easy to make, affordable, and you can bake a big batch so you can keep spoiling your hound!

**Preparation Time:** 10 minutes

**Cook Time:** 20 minutes

**Total Time:** 30 minutes

#### **Ingredients**

*All ingredients are considered safe for dogs, but as with humans, it's always a good idea to consult your veterinarian to ensure your dog does not have allergies or sensitivities to any of the ingredients.*



#### **Pupcakes**

- 2 eggs
- 1/4 cup + 2 tablespoons all-natural peanut butter (aka 6 tablespoons)
- 1 fresh red apple
- 1 teaspoon baking powder

#### **Frosting Options**

- Pumpkin puree
- Peanut butter (you can thin this using applesauce if needed)
- Plain Greek yogurt

#### **"Sprinkles"**

- Frozen or fresh peas
- Frozen or fresh blueberries
- Crushed banana chips
- Crushed kibble or dog treats

#### **Instructions**

1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees Fahrenheit.
2. Finely chop apple, removing core and seeds, and set aside.

3. Beat eggs and peanut butter together until smooth. Mix in chopped apple and baking powder.
4. Line a cupcake tin with cupcake liners. Scoop apple mixture into 5-6 of the cupcake holes, filling almost to the top. They will rise a little bit, but hold their shape quite well.
5. Bake pupcakes for 20 minutes, until an inserted toothpick comes out clean. Remove from oven and allow the pupcakes to cool in the tin on a wire rack.
6. Whip frosting and top your pupcake with frosting and "sprinkles" before serving. Mix Greek yogurt and peanut butter or swirl frozen blueberries into the Greek yogurt!



**Servings:** 5-6 Pupcakes (depending on size of apple)

**Notes:** Store extra pupcakes in the freezer to save for the future and thaw them when your bloodhound is ready for a treat.

Remember to remove the cupcake liner before serving the pupcake!

**Source:** <http://www.wyldflour.com/grain-free-apple-peanut-butter-pupcakes/>

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## Share Your Favorite Dog Treat Recipes

Making easy dog treat recipes is not difficult to do and it ensures that you know exactly what goes into your dog's food. Too many dog treat companies try to save money by adding filler ingredients to biscuits, meaning that you get a cheaper treat but your dog's health may suffer.

Do your friends (and their dogs) always tell you how great your homemade dog treats are?

Have you created your own dog treat recipe? Do you have a tested, tried, and true dog treat recipe that you love?

If so, then please share your favorite dog treat recipe with other bloodhound owners by contacting **Cynthia Goble** at [Cynthia.Goble@att.net](mailto:Cynthia.Goble@att.net).

Photos of your bloodhound enjoying your homemade treats are also greatly appreciated.



## Bloodhound Training

### ***RATTLESNAKE AVERSION TRAINING***

**Sunday, March 29, 2020**



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

For more information, contact:

***Pat Moffitt***

707-478-6843 ~ [mantrker@aol.com](mailto:mantrker@aol.com)

The training typically introduces the dog to both juvenile and adult live, safely-muzzled rattlesnakes. 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.

If you boil a funny bone . . .

That is humorous



"Basker"

*does it become laughing stock?*

## Bloodhounds in Art



“Bloodhound and Pups” by **Charles Landseer** (1799-1879); a painting first exhibited in 1839. He was born in London, the second son of the engraver **John Landseer**, and the older brother of the animal painter, **Sir Edwin Landseer**. (Editor: **Edwin Landseer** painted the bloodhound “Contessa” shown in the December 2018 Bloodhounds West’s newsletter). The moderate size (28x36 inches) oil on canvas painting is part of the *Tate* collection in London.

(Sources: Wikipedia and [www.tate.org.uk](http://www.tate.org.uk))





## Bloodhound Activities

**Northern Chapter Fun Day**  
Saturday, April 4 starting at 10 AM  
Hosted by Bloodhound West,  
Northern Chapter  
In the beautiful foothills of Sonora  
15505 Algerine Wards Ferry Road  
Sonora, CA 95370



Everyone is invited

Great opportunity to relax with your hounds and get to know our friendly club members. Members that don't show or trail with their dogs, as well as those members with rescue or shy dogs are especially encouraged to attend and join the fun. There will be fenced areas that dogs can explore by themselves, or with one to two others, depending upon their comfort level. There will be plenty of room to let the hounds run and have fun if your dogs like playing with others. Over 200 acres to test your dog's natural abilities or just to stroll on the trails.



Fun Day includes breakfast, lunch, BBQ, and bonfire. Fun and games that will include the hounds of course. Motorhomes and travel trailers are welcome. Anyone is welcome to pitch their tent and camp for the night. We look forward to meeting all club members for a great time.

Please **RSVP** Aldo [abranchsj@hotmail.com](mailto:abranchsj@hotmail.com) by **March 27**.



## Bloodhound Trailing Trial

### ***“Sixth Annual Judy Robb Memorial Trailing Trial”***

**March 14-15, 2020**

**To be held in the Pleasanton area, CA**



***Judy Robb*** with “Digger” and ***Myron Robb*** with “Goldie”

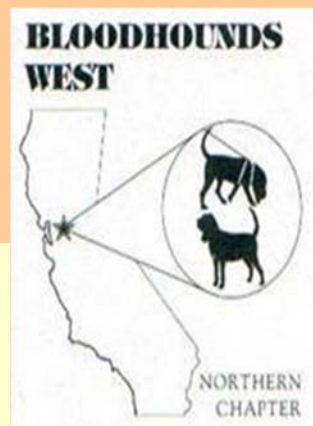


Bloodhounds West, Northern Chapter, is pleased to sponsor a weekend trailing trial approved by the ABC.

***Aldo Branch***, Trailing Committee Chair

[abranchs@hotmail.com](mailto:abranchs@hotmail.com)

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.



## Bloodhound Rescue

# WEST COAST BLOODHOUND RESCUE, INC.



### **Donate. Rescue. Foster. Adopt.**

Our rescue relies solely on the generosity of **donors, foster families, & adopters**. We are a 501c3 non-profit, foster based operation.

Your donations are not only tax deductible but help save the lives of bloodhounds along the west coast.



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VIA PAYPAL TO INFO@WCBHR.ORG  
OR MAIL CHECKS TO  
1512 BURLINGAME AVENUE,  
BURLINGAME, CA 94010**





# "Fleeing and Surviving a California Wildfire"

## Interview with Pat Moffitt

By Cynthia Goble

On October 23, 2019, a wildfire began burning in Sonoma County, California. The fire started northeast of Geyserville and subsequently burned 77,758 acres until the fire was fully contained 14 days later. Named the Kincade Fire by the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection, it threatened over 90,000 structures and prompted widespread evacuations throughout Sonoma County, including the communities of Geyserville, Healdsburg, and Windsor.



**Fire heading for Pat's home**

American Bloodhound Club member Pat Moffitt resides in Windsor, a town located about 60 miles north of San Francisco. In the following interview, Pat provides a first-hand accounting of her harrowing story of fleeing and surviving the wildfire with her bloodhounds and livestock.

**How did you learn that your personal property was in danger from the fire and where did you transport your animals?**

*My neighbor called me and stated that I needed to corral my animals, that he would be by with his horse trailer to transport my animals to the Sonoma County fairgrounds in Santa Rosa. My friends Nancy and Lily drove to my house to help by way of back roads as Highway 101 was packed with people fleeing the fire.*



**Pat Moffitt**

**Had you ever been forced to evacuate your home because of a wildfire?**

*No. I have lived in my home since 1961 and this was the first time I had*



**Smoke plume right over Pat's house**

*(Editor: since some of our members are not ABC members, this is reprinted from the winter issue of the ABC Bulletin).*

*to evacuate. The mandatory evacuation order by the California Highway Patrol officers in my front yard was a new and frightening experience for me. The threat of fire challenged me to work fast in order to evacuate.*

*Constantly having to think on my feet, combined with the physical and emotional strain, was exhausting. I have several personal items I dearly cherish and knew that I would never be able to gather and pack them within my small car. I knew I had to focus my attention on the things that were most important: my personal safety and my bloodhounds and livestock.*

**How many bloodhounds do you own?**

*Two – Lacey and Lucy. Lacey does show, trailing, and therapy dog work while Lucy is a rescued bloodhound that does scent work.*



**Pat with Lucy**

**Tell us about your livestock.**

*Livestock I have were all originally in bad situations where they did not receive proper care. I adopted them*



from Sonoma County Animal Services over the years and gave them a peaceful and happy life. I have miniature horses, pigs, goats, and a ram. All these animals were rescued and saved from the slaughter house. Lucy, one of my bloodhounds, belonged to a veteran who had a stroke and his caregiver refused to care for the hound.



**Retardant air drop, Kincade Fire**

**How did you seek shelter for yourself and your animals?**

I gathered lead ropes, halters, buckets, alfalfa, and hay, and brought the items to the front yard. I put a lead rope on my goats, the ram, horses, and my pot-bellied pigs. I had the animals locked up in four box stalls awaiting the arrival of the horse trailer.



**Pat with her two pigs**

When the horse trailer arrived, Nancy and Lily loaded the horses in the front, then the goats, and finally the ram. Next came the two pigs. When they started to step in the trailer, they took one look at the other animals and turned and ran off into the pasture. Time was short to get to the fairgrounds so the pigs were left behind. This deeply bothered me. I had rescued them as babies and it hurt deeply to leave them behind.

I led the way in my car as my neighbor pulled out of the driveway. We headed out the back roads and encountered backed-up traffic. It took over an hour to drive about 10 miles to fairgrounds. When we arrived, we signed in and registered my animals and were assigned three stalls. All my animals had halters and collars on with my name and phone number so they could be identified.



**Pat with Lacey in the car**

When I had my animals safe and under care of the Napa Community Animal Response Team (Napa CART) I felt a great sense of relief. CART is a volunteer-led, nonprofit organization that works with local agencies to ensure the best possible outcome for animals who need assistance during an emergency.

I was still worried about my pigs. I went home and fed them and opened all the pasture gates so they could move away from the barn if fire came their way. I went back for the pigs the next day and moved them using two crates on a motorcycle trailer to a ranch in Two Rock that took in a lot of animals when the fairgrounds were full. (Two Rock is a community in Sonoma County about 30 miles west of my home in Windsor.)

**How many days were your animals sheltered at the Sonoma County Fairgrounds?**

I took most animals to the fairgrounds on Saturday morning, October 26. My dogs, cat, and baby goat were evacuated early Sunday morning.

On Wednesday, I was able to bring my dogs and cat home with me. Most of my animals at the fairgrounds were also brought back to my farm that day. They had been at the fairgrounds for a total of four days. My pigs were moved back to the farm on the following day and my baby goat came home two days later on Friday.



**Pat and her ram**

**Did your animals experience any illness/injuries or other problems related to the fire?**

*No. My animals survived uninjured. My veterinarian was there and checked on them. Several veterinarians from Davis Veterinary Hospital arrived at the fairgrounds to assist in the care and examinations of all the animals.*

**Did you have electricity during the time of your evacuation?**

*Yes. Thankfully, my property is located near the north end of the Sonoma County Airport and I'm on the same priority electrical grid as the airport. My location was not affected by rolling periods of electricity blackouts. I was grateful for each blessing knowing that my situation could have been far worse.*

**Is there a particular moment or memory that stands out for you before, during, or after the fire?**

*What I am proud of is the various members of Bloodhound West Northern Chapter who contacted me and were willing to come help me evacuate. It meant a lot. Many of them lived miles away.*



**Pat with her horses**

**What do you think other people should know about emergency preparations for themselves and their animals?**

*I cannot emphasize enough the importance of being prepared for a natural disaster. Don't wait, prepare now!*

*I'm an optimistic person. However, I advise you that if you think an emergency evacuation caused by a wildfire, earthquake, tsunami, hurricane, tornado, or other disaster can't happen to you and your community, kindly stop and think again.*

*From my recent experience with the Kincadee Wildfire, I suggest the following tips to Club members:*

*Find shelter, plan an evacuation route, and maintain contact with family members and animals. I sought safety for my livestock at the County fairgrounds. A very good friend and her teenage daughter helped me to transport my animals and welcomed me to stay with them at their home. As in my situation, I encourage you to make plans to travel on side streets rather than major highways and freeways to avoid overcrowded and congested traffic conditions.*

*Make your own emergency kit based on your personal needs and those of your animals. This kit should include:*

*Sturdy leashes, harnesses and/or carriers to transport pets safely. Each item should have your pet's name and emergency contact information in the event you get separated from them.*

*Store a supply of food and drinking water (3 to 4-day minimum), bowls, and a manual can opener for canned food.*

*Get information from your doctor and your veterinarian about medications and medical supplies that you and your animals may need in the event of a disaster.*

*Be financially prepared for a disaster. Gather important financial documents, have emergency cash available for living expenses, and make sure your property insurance needs are sufficiently covered. I was able to gather financial documents and pack them in my car.*



**Pat at fire dispatch with Lacey**

**How has this experience changed or affected you?**

*Physically, exposure to smoke, soot, and ash generated from the wildfire caused me to have sore eyes and throat, and shortness of breath. It was only normal for me to feel emotional after the fire, but I have found opportunities to stay connected by spending time with my friends and family. It's been helpful also to speak openly with my friends about my experiences, and participate in activities that I enjoy. Without a doubt, my bloodhounds and livestock have been my best source of emotional therapy.*



**What did you lose as a result of the fire?**

*The fire did not discriminate between the rich and poor. In my community many people lost their homes; everything from trailer parks to mansions. Thankfully, I only lost part of the roof on my barn caused by the high winds. I'm grateful that it has already been repaired.*

**What were your feelings when you were allowed to return to your home?**

*I felt peace and happiness to be safely back home with my bloodhounds and livestock.*



**Therapy hound Lacey**

**If you were confronted with another disaster evacuation, what would you do differently?**

*I would repeat the same procedures that I followed for the recent fire; they were very effective. The weekend following Thanksgiving, there were flash-flood watches in effect for the North Bay area affected by the Kincade Fire. There is a lot of land between my farm property and the scorched fire area so I'm optimistic*

*that I will not have to evacuate if there's flooding.*

**What did you do during the evacuation period?**

*During the wildfire, I performed 53 volunteer hours caring for evacuated animals at the Vets Building and assisting Animal Services representing AKC Reunite, (the nation's largest non-profit pet microchip and recovery service) to reunite lost pets with their owners.*

*I also kept busy with my therapy bloodhound, Lacey, visiting the County Emergency Operations Center, Sheriff's dispatch center, and fire dispatch offices. Her therapy skills worked magic to lessen some of the stress of the emergency workers.*

**Could you tell us a little bit about you?**

*Before my retirement, I served as a Community Service Officer for the Sonoma County Sheriff Department with an array of responsibilities including being responsible for the Rural Crime Task Force. I taught in schools and set up community meetings for the Sheriff. As a Reserve Deputy, I worked with my bloodhounds in many high-profile criminal cases throughout the United States. Even with a busy work schedule, I made time to tutor children in reading and spelling alongside with my therapy bloodhound, Player.*

*Currently, I volunteer at United Way and the Schools of Hope tutoring first graders to read and spell with Lacey. I also volunteer with the Sonoma County Animal Services doing variety of tasks.*



**Pat (center) with Animal Services**

**Any last thoughts?**

*Again, I want to extend my deepest appreciation to all the individuals who offered to assist and console me. Now that the fire has been completely contained and I am back in my home, I am able to reflect with gratitude for all that I have. I hope that everyone will understand how much of an impact they had on my life and that of my animals.*

*I want to especially thank Mike McMillan for his recent visit to my home and for his time and kindness to take photos for this article.*

*You can view a video of Sonoma County Animal Services during the Kincade Fire by clicking here:*

*<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=W8ONt59qSOo>*

*Within this video are photos of me and my livestock.*



## The Last Page



*“Dogs are our link to paradise. They don’t know evil or jealousy or discontent. To sit with a dog on a hillside on a glorious afternoon is to be back in Eden, where doing nothing was not boring – it was peace.”*

*~ Milan Kundera*

**Milan Kundera**, born 1929, is a Czech-born French writer who went into exile in France in 1975, and became a naturalized French citizen in 1981. Prior to the Velvet Revolution of 1989, the socialist régime in Czechoslovakia banned his books. A perpetual contender for the Nobel Prize in Literature, he is believed to have been nominated on several occasions.

**Kundera's** best-known work, *The Unbearable Lightness of Being*, was published in 1984. The book chronicles the fragile nature of an individual's fate, theorizing that a single lifetime is insignificant in the scope of Nietzsche's concept of eternal return. In an infinite universe, everything is guaranteed to recur infinitely. In 1988, American director **Philip Kaufman** released a film adaptation of the book.

*(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

I tell ya, my bloodhound is lazy. He don't chase cars. He sits on the curb and takes down license plate numbers. ~ ***Rodney Dangerfield***

*"Darla" and "Denali"*

Just got back from the vet. She said my DNA was reversed.

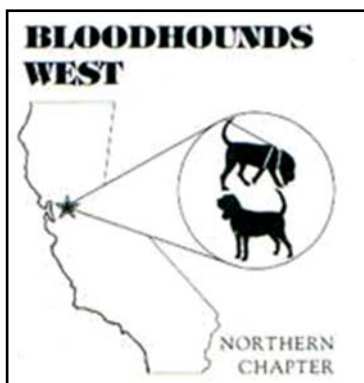


And?



The five-second rule doesn't apply when you have a two-second bloodhound.

A bloodhound bitch in labor shouted out, "Shouldn't, wouldn't, couldn't, didn't, can't."  
"Don't worry," the vet said, "those are just contractions."



# 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: \_\_\_\_\_

Interests: Showing       Obedience/Rally       Trailing/Tracking       Pet

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

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

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

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

#### SPONSOR INFORMATION

Sponsored by (please print): \_\_\_\_\_

How sponsor knows applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

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



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.

Applicant Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

You may also submit your application fee through PayPal at [bloodhoundswestnc@gmail.com](mailto:bloodhoundswestnc@gmail.com) (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.*



# 2020 Membership Renewal Form

## *Bloodhounds West, Northern Chapter*

Membership dues (\$25) are due on or before **January 1, 2020**

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

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

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

Contact Numbers:

Home: \_\_\_\_\_

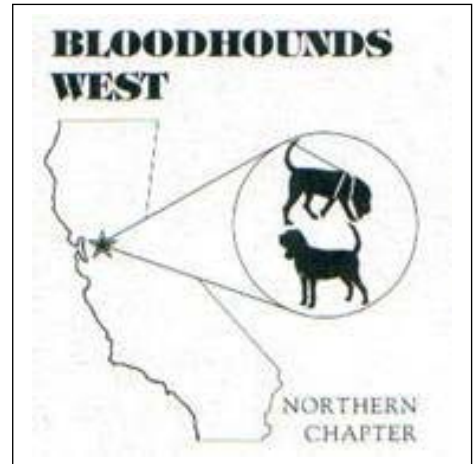
Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

Email2: \_\_\_\_\_

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:

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

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





## BLOODHOUNDS WEST, SOUTHERN CHAPTER

### APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP OR RENEWAL OF MEMBERSHIP

- Membership Renewal - \$25.00 per year - *To renew by check, complete the top portion of this form and mail to the Membership Chairperson as indicated on page two. You may renew via Paypal at BW4Paypal@aol.com and entering your membership information in the comment section.*
- New Application - \$35.00 \_\_\_\_ Individual \_\_\_\_ Family (List names of all family members)  
*Application fee covers 1\* year membership for individual or a family.*

### NEW APPLICANT AND RENEWING MEMBER INFORMATION

Name \_\_\_\_\_

If Family Membership list names here: \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

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

Home Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

### NEW APPLICANTS ONLY - PROVIDE SPONSOR & OTHER INFORMATION

Known & Sponsored by (please print) \_\_\_\_\_

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

Interests: Showing \_\_\_\_ Obedience/Rally \_\_\_\_ Trailing/Tracking \_\_\_\_ Pet \_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_

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

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

I/We are interested in joining Bloodhounds West because: \_\_\_\_\_

### NEW APPLICANTS - PLEASE COMPLETE REVERSE

*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.

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

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

New member applications will be acted upon at the next meeting of Bloodhounds West.

**Return this application/renewal form and your check payable to  
Bloodhounds West, Southern Chapter to:**

Barb Copeland  
Membership Chair  
3149 W. Santolinas  
Rialto, CA 92376

