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President's Message

Dear PRBC Members and Friends:

I hope that this greeting finds you, your families, and your hounds well and happy as summer is speeding by at lightening speed ...

Make plans to join us for "Some Enchanted Evening," our 2013 regional specialty, on the evening of Friday, August 16th. The regional will be held at the Expo Center in Enumclaw, Washington. This location is the site of the Olympic Kennel Club shows on Saturday and Sunday, August 17th and 18th, so there will be bloodhounds galore on site. You will find more details in the next column and on page two of this edition of "Pawprints."

As always, your input and ideas are welcomed, so we hope not only to see you but to hear from you as well. Please feel free to email any of us; our individual contact information is linked on the PRBC website under the "Membership" tab/board of directors.

Best to all,
Lynn Harty
President, Pacific Rim Bloodhound Club

"Some Enchanted Evening"

Come one, come all to the ABC Northwest independent regional specialty, "Some Enchanted Evening," on Friday evening, August 16, sponsored by PRBC. Held at the Enumclaw Exposition Center (45224 284th Avenue SE, Enumclaw, WA) the regional will begin at 5 PM outdoors. Judges Sylvie McGee (puppy and veteran sweeps) and Bernadette Cox (breed, regular, and non-regular classes) will have lovely bloodhounds to choose from, and you won't want to miss the fun!

At the conclusion of judging will be served a **delicious** on-site BBQ chicken dinner with corn on the cob, baked beans, green salad, and dessert for only \$20/person. Yum! Reservations and payment are now due, so go to

<http://www.pacificrimbloodhoundclub.org/events.shtml>

to download your reservation form and email Sherri Whetstine (swhetstine@olympicmedical.org or out-tamygourd@hotmail.com) right away to let her know that you are ordering dinner.

The bloodhound festivities will continue throughout the weekend, again at the Enumclaw Expo Center and in conjunction with the Olympic Kennel Club all-breed show, with a supported entry on Saturday, August 17 (lunch can be ordered for \$7/person) and more bloodhound judging on Sunday, August 18. PRBC will be on site with great raffle items; forms and photos can be viewed and downloaded at the PRBC link shown above, and you will find pictures of musical bloodhound raffle items on page two of this newsletter.

PRBC Annual Membership Meeting August 16!

During the August 16 dinner, we will hold PRBC's annual membership meeting, so whether you order dinner or not, please join us for the meeting. We'll be discussing the election of club officers for 2013 – 2014, the possibility of initiating all-member teleconferences throughout the year, a suggested change to the club by-laws, plans for 2014 club events, and any other items of interest to you.

PRBC Welcomes New Member

PRBC is pleased to introduce its newest new member: Janet Kelly, Apogee Hounds, from the great state of New Jersey. Janet has been active in showing, with many champions to her credit, and trailing, with many trailing titles. She is a veteran ABC trailing judge and lent her expertise and mentoring skills to the 6th Annual Clyde Reed Memorial Trailing Trial this past May. Read more about Janet and the Clyde Reed in this issue of "Pawprints." Welcome, Janet: we're glad to have you!



Janet on the trail with Champion "Blue," MTX

Enter to Win the Musical Hounds!

Raffle tickets for these great houndies, can be downloaded at

<http://www.pacificrimbloodhoundclub.org/Raffle/raffle.html>

Winning tickets (\$2 each or 12 for \$20) will be drawn as part of PRBC's upcoming regional specialty weekend: August 16, 17, and 18!



BRAGS

This just in from proud owner handler Sheri Whetstine:

Am/Intl Ch. The Ritz' Perfect Storm of Nunya, MT

Ruckus is having a very good year so far! Memorial Day weekend saw him successfully earn his MT, adding a title to the end of his name.

Then, after a practice run at Chehalis, where we *thought* he finished but not quite...two weeks later he DID become a



NEW CHAMPION

at the Western Washington Hound Association hound show on August 3, 2013, going BOW/BOS under judge Edna Martin. He is now officially "*Am/Intl Ch. The Ritz' Perfect Storm of*

Nunya, MT!" And if that weren't enough, Ruckus and I are currently tied for #4 Bloodhound in the AKC's Owner Handled series! I wonder what's next?

Sixth Annual Clyde Reed Memorial Trailing Trial: Results and Reflections on Trailing

For those of you who are wondering what it's like to put on a trailing trial, there are a couple of practical things to be aware of. First of all, trailing trials are a lot of work: in the planning and staging (paperwork and legwork); in the actual running of the event (more paperwork and enough legwork to make an Olympic marathoner cry); and in the event follow-up (yes, you guessed it ... more, more, more). Trailing trials also are a challenge in terms of money; realistically, a net zero profit/loss ratio can be a cause for celebration at the end of the day. Why then, despite their challenges, do trailing trials have such an allure?

First of all, trailing trials are held for the love of our breed, to underscore the bloodhound's purpose as a powerful scent hound of great endurance whose goal

is always to “find ‘em.” Also, trailing trials are held for the handlers, who have spent countless hours behind a view that never changes, honing their hounds’ and their own skills to a high level of teamwork.

Some of these handlers want to dedicate more of themselves to mantrailing by becoming trailing judges. In addition to observed trails, the National Trailing Trial Committee’s revised rules and regulations have added a mentoring component, which ensures that judging applicants work closely in the field with seasoned trailing judges. Trailing trials are the approved venues for this close collaboration.

“I took on the task of chairing the ABC trailing events in 2005 from Sid Harty,” says Jan Rothwell, chair of the National Trailing Trial Committee. “At that time, the one thing Sid and I were concerned about was creating consistency throughout trailing. We reviewed and discussed ‘standardizing’ the trails, making sure that each trail at each level presented the same challenges. Due to trials being held in different parts of the country, we could not require specific criteria for each trail but could require consistency on a broader level. That was fairly easy to achieve and is working well.”

The next challenge was to make sure all the judging was consistent. This is where the new mentoring requirements came into effect. They are pretty clearly stated and just make sure that each new judging applicant gets a little extra from the experienced judges. This requirement became effective January 2013, so is brand new. I think it will work well and give ABC trailing the respect it deserves, as we are all on the same page.”

So, in homage to mantrailing, its hounds, and its handlers, the Sixth Annual Clyde Reed Memorial Trailing Trial was held over Memorial Weekend 2013 in Valleyford, Washington. Clyde Reed (1922—2006) was a life member of the American Bloodhound Club, an honorary deputy sheriff in Pierce County, Washington, and a founding member of Northwest Bloodhounds Search and Rescue. His dedication to bloodhounds, participation in mantrailing, and support of search and rescue teams will long be remembered. Clyde’s wife, Lena, and co-author, Cathy Brey, wrote *The Complete Bloodhound*.

In Valleyford, trailing teams worked with a remarkable assemblage of judges: MTX judges Janet Kelly and Sid Harty, MT/MTI judges Betty Seigal and Janis Hardy, and ABC judging candidate Cindy Wolfrom.

This year was Janet’s first time to judge in Valleyford, and, to put it mildly, she is a powerhouse. “Use me,” she said, and we did, right up to the limit of the ‘miles walked per day’ trailing regulation. When not on the trail, she was helping out in a million ways, as were Betty, Sid, Janis, and trail-layer extraordinaire Mark Scholla.



(Trailing Judges Janis Hardy, Janet Kelly, Sid Harty, Cindy Wolfrom, and Betty Seigal)

We are proud to announce the trailing success of the following hound and handler teams!

New MT: Yahoo’s Can’t Stop Rockin, (Axe), owned by David and Cindy (Partington) Wolfrom, handled by Cindy Wolfrom, judged by Janet Kelly and Betty Seigal, and observed by Cheryl Cromeenes.



New MT: The Ritz’ Perfect Storm of Nunya, (Ruckus), owned by Sherri and Tim Whetstine, handled by Sherri Whetstine, judged by Janet Kelly and Janis Hardy, and observed by Cheryl Cromeenes, Cindy Wolfrom, and Becky Irving.



New MT: Can't Fight the Moonlite at the Magpie, (Jersey), owned by Cheryl Cromeenes and Claudia Kamin-ski, handled by Cheryl Cromeenes, judged by Janet Kelly and Janis Hardy, and observed by Sheri Whetstone, Becky Irving, and Cindy Wolfrom.



New MT: Jo-Li's Searching for Oz, (Clara), owned by Becky Irving, handled by Becky Irving, judged by Janet Kelly and Betty Seigal, and observed by Cheryl Cromeenes and Cindy Wolfrom.



New MTI: Yahoo's Pearl Necklace, (Pearl), owned by Dave Lockridge, handled by Dave Lockridge, judged by Sid Harty and Betty Seigal, and observed by Janet Kelly.



"Pearl is smart," noted Dave Lockridge. "She might be the smartest dog I have." Smart she was indeed, having foiled the careful trail-planning efforts of Sid and Lynn Harty, who created what they believed to be the perfect MTI trail through a school yard, across a football field, and around a greenhouse. Consideration was given to laying the trail with the prevailing winds, which blow from the southwest.

Come start time for the MTI, however, the wind abruptly shifted and blew steadily from the northeast, carrying the runners' sent directly into the nostrils of Pearl, who cut the trail in half, zeroed in on the runners (who were quite surprised to see her so soon), ignored the crossing runner, and enthusiastically identified the correct runner.

New EECT: The Ritz Over the Rim at Nunya, (Daisy), owned by Mike and Kathy Maguire, handled by Mike Maguire, and judged by Cindy Wolfrom as observed by judging mentor Janet Kelly.
"She ran a beautiful trail," said Janet.



New EECT: CH. Nunya's Russet Hideaway CGC, (Tater), owned by Ryan and Stacey Poler, handled by Marie Taylor, and judged by Cindy Wolfrom as observed by judging mentor Sid Harty.



Tater was the seventh puppy born in a litter of seven. The Polers had seen six puppies on the radiograph, and when

Maizey had delivered six boys, they assumed she was done. Then, hours later, Tater arrived, not breathing. Finally, after much work, she took a breath: her first miracle. She went on to have an amazing show career and retired young, survived pyometra at age six and a ruptured gall bladder at age eight.

Said handler Marie Taylor, “Tater’s EECT was truly a ‘village’ event with an incredible support team who patiently and excitedly mentored us. The successful result of a found runner and Tater’s joyful expression when everyone gave her their congratulations still gives me goose bumps!”

And what did the judges have to say?

“It’s always great to have access to the seasoned minds of Sid Harty and Janet Kelly,” said judge Janis Hardy. “I always learn most by watching the canines work, so thanks to those handlers who allowed me to observe when I was not judging.”

“The camaraderie is such a blast,” added judge Betty Seigal.

When asked for her thoughts, senior judge Janet Kelly said, “I was most impressed with the work ethic of each team—from the youngest hound to the most ‘senior,’ it was quite obvious that the teams take their training seriously and that they understand how each of their hounds work.

It was also a pleasure to see how everyone is so supportive of one another in every way,” she continued, “not just with training and not just involving their hounds, but as true friends. Lots of positive attitude abounding in the Pacific Northwest.”

We in the Pacific Northwest send all our best regards to mantrailing bloodhound teams everywhere. Despite the work involved, trailing trails, as a reflection of the spirit of the bloodhound and the dedication of each trailing handler, will continue to retain their allure as a venue for our breed and our people. We hope to see all of *you* out there somewhere along the road and down the trail.



Back Row: Cindy Wolfrom, Janet Kelly, Sid Harty, Janis Hardy, and Betty Seigal

Front Row: Marie Taylor and Tater, Becky Irving and Clara, Sheri Whetstine and Ruckus, and Cheryl Cromeenes and Jersey

**Many of the fine folk
pictured above will be
at the upcoming re-
gional, and we hope to
see *you* there too!**