



PACIFIC RIM BLOODHOUND CLUB “PAWPRINTS”



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President's Message

Dear PRBC Members and Friends:

I hope that this issue of “Pawprints” finds you, your families, and your hounds well and happy as 2013 concludes. Hasn't the year flown by?

Make plans to join your fellow PRBC members for as many of our 2014 activities as you can squeeze into your schedules. We have a general membership meeting and a Meet the Breed event in January, a trailing trial in May, and a regional specialty in August, to name but a few.

I offer special thanks to Kay Schmitt and Sheri Whetstine for their contributions to this issue of “Pawprints.” As always, your input and ideas are welcome, 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.

Happy New Year and best wishes,

Lynn Harty
 PRBC President

PRBC Website

For more information day or night, visit the
 PRBC website:

www.pacificrimbloodhoundclub.org



Mark Your Calendars!

January 2014: PRBC Plans General Meeting at Western Washington Cluster and Meet the Breed Event at Rose City Classic

Mark your calendars for the January kick-off of ... no, not the NFL payoffs! ... the 2014 dog show season, and PRBC will be there.

We are planning a **general membership meeting** at the Western Washington Cluster (January 11th/12th at the Western Washington Fairgrounds in Puyallup) and a **Meet the Breed** event at the Rose City Classic (January 18th/19th at the Portland Expo Center).

The membership meeting will take place either on Saturday, January 11th, noonish, after breed judging, or Sunday, January 12th, as a breakfast meeting. **Please email your date/time preferences** to Sheri Whetstine (outtamymgourd@hotmail.com). Items for discussion are the 2014 trailing trial and regional, additional events, and more!

Meet the Breed, as you know, is a dog— and people-friendly event where breed experts can share their knowledge of a particular breed with others. Many people are interested in getting to know the noble bloodhound, and a Meet the Breed venue is the perfect place.

Please join the fun: If you would like to help with or visit the Meet the Breed booth, contact Becky Irving (503-939-4918 or bloodhoundtrails@gmail.com) for additional details, including the specific date and time for the event. As with the membership meeting, Becky will have this information as soon as the ring assignments have been published.



Ray and Kay Schmitt with
Crockett and Wellesley, 1992

PRBC Salutes Kay Schmitt

In this issue of Pawprints, we salute the talents and dedication of Kay Schmitt, who has served as PRBC treasurer for more than ten years. Kay is retiring as club treasurer, but we look forward to her continued friendship and service to PRBC, the ABC, and to the welfare and betterment of bloodhounds everywhere. Here, in her own words, is her story.

STONEWALL was the first bloodhound to come into our lives. One morning Ray left for work, I left to teach my fourth graders and our three sons headed down the two mile trek to their high school classes. One of us left the side gate unlatched and some time that morning, Stonewall followed the boys' scent down to the high school. He was seen checking out every classroom that our oldest boy, Bob, had been to that morning until he found him in history class. Bob was excused to put Stonewall into his friend's VW bug until lunch break when they drove him home. That good ol' boy made it to eleven years and tolerated a new puppy in his last year. That was our first real example of how a bloodhound follows a trail.

I retired in 1987. Our boys were out of college, the youngest married when we began looking for a show puppy. We'd contacted Jackie Sinkinson at The Rectory Kennels and asked for help in finding one in our area. She sent us to Judy Robb in Walnut Creek.

The Robb's boy, Ace (Ch. Rocklin's Image of Pinehollow), was waiting to enter the show ring when we met them for the first time. What a gorgeous boy he was! He'd sired a litter with one male puppy still available at Bob and Jane Mangels. He became our Crockett.

A year later, Judy came back from the National in Illinois with Brewdun's Wellesley for us. We applied to Bloodhounds West-Northern Chapter and became members. We helped with our first National in 1990 in Santa Rosa, CA.

Ray was still working but I had time for long walks. One morning, I spotted a sign posted offering tracking classes. I had bloodhounds....why not? It was fun. Wellesley especially liked the hotdog bits that started the trails to the glove, until I met Judy Robb's friend and partner in the Contra Costa SAR unit. Bev Mestresset and I were sitting at the benched Golden Gate KC show when she explained the difference between tracking and trailing! OK, we were up for that. Judy Robb put us in touch with Sue Kenyon, who met us on the University of California Davis campus that stretches all the way up to the foothills just west of Sacramento. She started with the basics and we began to recruit our sons, work friends and youngsters in the neighborhood to lay short trails for us. We were working Crockett and Wellesley on Mount Tamalpais trails when the head Ranger spotted them in harnesses and stopped us to ask if we'd be interested in joining the Marin County SAR unit. The decision to do that changed our lives.

We went through training courses and SAR weekends. The unit always deployed from the County Sheriff's Department at the Marin Civic Center about a mile from our house. After we'd gained serious experience, the dispatcher would call Ray first and send him out with Wellesley to the point last seen to help establish a direction. I was often dispatched with Crockett to a "probable point last seen," just to cover the bases. In 1994, Wellesley and Ray found a four year old little girl and her uncle who were lost overnight. The Hug a Tree program was right up my alley! I really enjoyed visiting the schools in uniform with Wellesley and Crockett, showing the slides that told the story of a youngster lost and then found because he stayed put and didn't wander in the dark. The Sheriff's Department began to call on Ray and Wellesley to work criminal cases. Ray retired in January of 1992 and it made the all-nighters a lot easier to take when we could sleep in the next day.

Wellesley had two puppies in 1992. Deke stayed with us and achieved the ABC Hall of Fame as a show dog. Cassie went to live with Judy McBride and whelped a lovely litter in 1995. We were co-breeders on that litter. Rubi jumped to the front of the whelping box one day and chose us to live with. Her litter in 1998 gave us nine lovely pups. Seven

finished their championships. Five finished with owners who had never shown before. Ray and I finished Lucky (ringer for his dad, Ace) and Erin. Thelma Rose went to Karen Frances in Truckee, CA. A stunning portrait of Rubi with her pups hangs in our dining room...it was Karen's gift to us for Thelma Rose who lived to 13 ½ years.

I joined the Pacific Rim Bloodhound Club and followed Suzi Paine as treasurer in 2002. I've been on the board and "keeping the books" since. I got to work on the very first Top Twenty for bloodhounds at the 2005 National in Auburn, WA. Being asked to judge Sweepstakes at the National in 2011 was an honor and privilege. It's time to hand the books over to Cindy Wolfram and leave the board to younger members. I can't leave the bloodhound world completely, though. The 2014 National is coming up from September 28-October 2 with a Regional to follow on October 3 in Sacramento, CA. They've got me totally involved in the planning! Suzi and I are doing the Top Twenty.



Crockett and Wellesley

Hellos ...



to **Tina Kocar**, new PRBC member.

Tina, her husband Frank, and their sons own a family farm in Puyallup, Washington. Tina

has been a bloodhounder for eleven years, has owned five bloodhounds, and is interested in showing and trailing.



...to **Jan Rothwell**, new PRBC member. Jan Rothwell, who chairs the national trailing trial committee, has been in the breed since 1978. Active in showing, trail-

ing, and obedience, she lives in New Hampshire and believes in supporting the regional clubs nationwide. Currently, she is owned and loved by two bloodhounds.

... and Good-Byes



*In memory of **Justice's Nighthawk**
July 2002 — November 2013
Cause of death: bloat and torsion*

*Known to all his friends as **Dukie-Boy**, he could often be found in his favorite spot: the king-size bed.*



*Owned, loved, and dearly missed by
Sid and Lynn Harty*

PRBC Annual Membership Dues Are Due!

Well, yes they are, sort of, but we haven't mailed out reminder cards yet because we are changing treasurers. You should receive your reminder in January, and please do renew. New members joining in the latter half of 2013 receive their 2014 memberships at no change.

PACIFIC RIM BLOODHOUND CLUB

Treasurer's Report August 16—December 31, 2013

Beginning Balance August 16, 2013:

Checking: \$4,927.10

Savings: \$10,000.31

Paypal: \$428.30

INCOME**August 2013:**

Regional Specialty entry fees 612.00

September 2013:

Janet Kelly, dues: 25.00

Trophy donations: 265.00

Regional income: 552.00

Lynn Harty 20.00

Paypal transfer to checking: 428.30

November 2013:

Dues: Kocar, Rothwell, Richards* 70.00

Ttal Income: \$1,972.30

*Marybeth Clines' check was returned to her: it was held by PRBC more than six months after issue date.

EXPENSES**August 2013:**

Regional Specialty AKC Event Fee: 69.00

Carolyn's Dog Specialty (show sec'y): 217.55

Elaine Rushton, photographer: 38.00

Bernadette Cox, show judge: 100.00

Dave Lockridge, sweeps prize: 29.25

Dave and Heather Richards, sweeps: 13.50

Suzi Paine, sweeps prize: donated back to club

Cheryl Cromeenes, sweeps prize: 13.50

Cheryl Cromeenes, sweeps prize: 8.10

Sheri Cox Whetstine, ring rental fee: 50.00

Lynn Harty, teleconference fee: 23.20

Callisto Ribbons: 272.96

September 2013:

Janis Hardy: trophies, judges' gifts, etc.: 262.85

Sheri Cox Whetstine:, hospitality (food): 94.85

December 2013:

Stacey Poler: website renewal fee: 38.50

Total Expenses: \$1,231.26**Ending Balance December 31, 2013**

Checking: \$5,645.19

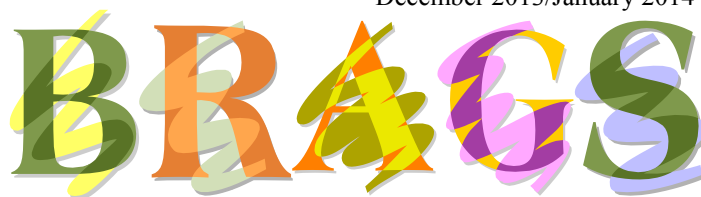
Savings: \$10,000.73

Paypal: 0

Submitted: December 28, 2013

Kay Schmitt

PRBC Treasurer

**Some Enchanted Evening -**

By Sheri Whetstine, reprinted with permission



And some enchanted evening it was!
The ABC
Northwest
Independent
Regional Specialty

was held on Friday evening, August 16, 2013 in beautiful Enumclaw, WA at the foot of Mount Rainier. And it truly WAS a regional specialty, with entries coming from Washington, Oregon, Idaho, California, and Canada! We had a great entry of 19, ranging in age from 10 months to 14-1/2 years! That's right... "Celine" (Ch. Yahoo's New Year Celebration) on the day of the show was 14 years, 7 months, and 15 days young! She was presented with a special ribbon honoring her "Dignity, Beauty, and Grace."

The evening began with our good friend, Sylvie McGee, judging Veteran and Puppy Sweeps. Sylvie has long been a friend of our breed and we were thrilled that she accepted our offer to judge Sweepstakes this year. Veterans were well-represented with several entries new this year to veteran status as well as some seasoned "veteran veterans." She had a lovely entry of veterans and puppies to judge. All the entries deserved the win, and Sylvie had some difficult choices to make. Her winners were:



Best Veteran Dog in Sweeps:
"Spud," Ch. Nunya's MGH This Spuds for U (Suzi Paine)



Best Veteran Bitch in Sweeps: "Florin," Ch. Yahoo's Iris Florin (Dave Lockridge)

Best Puppy in Sweeps:
"Tillman," Wychway's Quince Essential (Dave and Heather Richards)



Best Junior in Sweeps AND Grand Sweeps:
"Jersey," Can't Fight the Moonlight at the Magpie (Cheryl Cromeenes)

Also representing our esteemed elders were:



Janis Hardy and "Follie," Ch. Pinehollow's Ice Follies, MTX; and Marie Taylor and "Dawn," Ch. Nunya's M-Azing Morning Mist



And



Michele Rockwell and "Connor," Connor's Yukon Gold Rush, MT

Following the Veterans and Puppy Sweeps were Regular classes, judged by Ms. Bernadette Cox. Ms. Cox has been a local favorite judge of our members here because of her unbridled affection for this breed. She thoroughly enjoys judging bloodhounds and doesn't mind wearing their "droolery" as an accessory (I can tell a personal story about that)! There was a marvelous entry in the regular classes, all of which deserved the nod from the judge. After much thought and consideration, the results were:

- **Best of Breed:**
- "Kiss," GCh. Quiet Creek's Kiss and Tell (Susan Hamil & Heather Whitcomb)
- **Best of Opposite:**
- "Nozy," Ch. Sherick M&M's Tracker Nozy Knows (Linda West)

- **Select Dog:**
- “Ruckus,” Ch. The Ritz’ Perfect Storm of Nunya (Sheri and Tim Whetstine)
- **Select Bitch:**
- “Elphie,” GCh. Houndwalker’s Elphaba Moon Rising (Michele Rockwell)
- **Best of Winners/Winner’s Dog:**
- “Tillman,” Wychway’s Quince Essential (Dave & Heather Richards)
- **Winner’s Bitch:**
- “Riley,” Ripple Creek’s North Star (Judy Hillis)
- **Award of Merit:**
- “Follie,” Ch. Pinehollow’s Ice Follies (Janis Hardy)
- “Duncan,” Ch. Houndwalker’s Man in the Moon (Jan Cook)
- “Pearl,” GCh. Yahoo’s Pearl Necklace (Dave Lockridge)

After showing everyone retired to the PRBC’s hospitality area and enjoyed a FABULOUS dinner of smoked barbequed chicken, lovingly and painstakingly prepared by our own personal chef, Tim Whetstine. When it comes to barbeque in the Northwest, no one does it better than Chef Tim! Food, drink, fun and conversation flowed freely, and a great time was had by all!

Thanks to everyone who traveled to help make our Regional a success! Huge thanks to all our trophy donors, and special thanks to Jill Dingle, for her generous donation of so many trophy items!



**Cheryle Haley and “Gossip,”
Legend’s Something to Talk About**



**Brian and “Duncan,”
Ch. Houndwalker’s
Man in the Moon**



**Brian Black and “Mandy,”
Heroes in Your Dreams Mandolin**



**Linda West and “Nozy,”
Ch. Sherrick M&M’s Tracker Nozy Knows**



**Ted Taylor and Mandy;
Sheri Whetstine and Ruckus**



**Sheri and "Ruckus,"
The Ritz' Perfect Storm of Nunya**



**Katie Cole and "Jallie,"
Tru-Luv's One Happy Jalapeno**



**"Pebbles,"
Huggables Top Seller at the
Kocars**



**Brian and "Clara,"
Jo-Li's Searching for Oz**

**From the PRBC Board to all of you out there:
HAPPY NEW YEAR!
We look forward to seeing you in 2014.**

