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President's Message

Dear PRBC Members and Friends:

Happy New Year! In this newsletter, you'll find all kinds of exciting news about PRBC happenings past and future. As always, your club officers would love to have your comments, suggestions, and questions. We look forward to hearing from you!

Lynn Harty
 President, Pacific Rim Bloodhound Club

Dues R Due

Hint, hint: 2013 PRBC dues (\$20) are now due for everyone except those new members who joined in the second half of 2012 and adoptive parents of 2012 rescue dogs. We've got a great year coming up, and we don't want you to miss out on anything! Please mail your check to PRBC treasurer Kay Schmitt: 42 Maple Hill Drive, San Rafael, CA 94903-1720. Alternatively, dues may be paid through PayPal: Go to www.Paypal.com, click on the PayPal login, type in kaynray@comcast.net in the email box, and enter the password: bloodhound.

As a reminder, new club members who paid dues from August – December 2012 are paid in full for 2013, and a year's free membership in PRBC has been awarded to Sherry McFarlane and Paul and Daphne Feusier, who have recently adopted bloodhounds from PRBC Rescue (see Barney and Hank's stories).

PRBC Rescue Goes Virtual Your Help is Needed!

With heavy hearts, after years of providing a safe physical environment and top-notch veterinary care for bloodhounds surrendered to PRBC Rescue, Grays Harbor veterinarian Dr. Sonnya Crawford and spouse Dr. Tim Crawford have had to curtail their rescue activities and withdraw the clinic as the hounds' "home away from home." Sonnya and Tim have served long and honorably at this difficult and demanding task, and our club and the rescue hounds, so well cared for at Grays, will always be grateful for the Crawfords' expertise and commitment.

With the extraordinary requirements of housing these dogs, in terms of kennel facilities and the hours of people-power required 24/7, PRBC will no longer offer a physical facility for rescue hounds. Rather, the club's rescue efforts will continue on a "virtual" basis, and we ask each member to help in this effort. Our hope is to continue matching needy bloodhounds with new families, but we can't do this without **YOU!** Here's the plan:

Bloodhounds who cannot remain with their owners will first be referred to good humane facilities/animal shelters in the club's geographic region. Here, we need your help in sending us the names and contact information of good facilities in your areas. We hope to compile a master list of these organizations as a reference tool.

Next, we ask you to make yourself known as bloodhound resource people to the facilities you have identified. In this way, you would serve as liaisons between adoptable bloodhounds in your areas and PRBC's Virtual Rescue and adoptive families. Many hands make light work, as our grandmas used to say. **Will you lend a hand?** Please email your response to lharty@ewu.edu or sharty@wildblue.net at your earliest convenience.

RESCUE BLOODHOUND UPDATE: HANK AND FRANK ADOPTED, JESS AWAITS

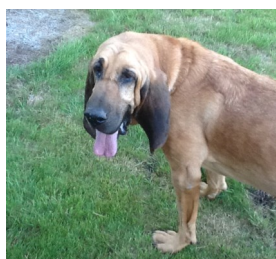
We are really pleased to tell you that rescue bloodhounds Hank and Frank, the long-term and final rescue bloodhounds housed at the Grays Veterinary Clinic, have both found homes!



Hank, now renamed **Barney**, has moved to Vernon, British Columbia with Sherry MacFarlane and his new basset and Heinz 57 doggie siblings. Sherry is

delighted with Barney and says that he walks very nicely on leash, is not at all skittish, and is good with cats. Sherry plans to look into CKC tracking, an event that she is sure that Barney will enjoy.

Frank, who waited for his forever home a bit longer than Barney, headed east with his new family on January 12. He has become the pride and joy of Paul and Daphne Feusier of Rathdrum, Idaho. We look forward to hearing from the Feusiers about how Frank is doing.



In other rescue news, PRBC member Jill Dingle reports that Emma, a rescue bloodhound placed in a no-kill, Ontario, Oregon facility, has been placed. However, she has heard of two additional bloodhounds currently residing in Boise, Idaho shelters.

Jess



In waiting for a foster placement is Jess, owned and loved by Charlotte Yarkoni, a longtime friend of rescue bloodhounds. Charlotte adopted Jess from PRBC Rescue three years ago, along with Dallas and, previously, Buster. Charlotte and her family are moving to Australia for three years, leaving in June 2013. According to Charlotte, "... [It] is essential that she be left in good hands and continue a quality life while we are gone." If any of you would consider taking Jess as a foster bloodhound, or know of anyone who might be interested in opening their doors to her, please call Charlotte at (425) 753-4017 right away. I believe that you will find Charlotte to be the type of bloodhound adopter whom we would like to clone. The Yarkonis are willing to cover all expenses for Jess during her time in long-term foster care. Details about Jess follow.

- Jess is a purebred bloodhound (red) who is 9 years old. She currently lives with rescue bloodhound Dallas, who is approximately 6 years old and who will be traveling to Australia with the family. The bloodhounds stay outside during the day and come indoors to sleep at night.
- The Yarkonis have 2 children (current ages of 6 and 16) and a cat. Jess interacts well with all members of the family. Jess and Dallas board in a doggie day care when the Yarkonis travel, and the only caution with Jess is that she tends to lose patience with small dogs when playing.
- As an older dog, Jess does have arthritis in her lumbar spine and hips. She needs some extra time to get up and moving around in the mornings on cold, wet days. However, once she is up and about, she is quite active. She is on a joint supplement to help with this.
- Jess has allergies to mold, yeast, and storage mites. She is fed a special diet of dry/wet food, along with rice that she receives on a daily basis.
- Jess also has a history of ear infections. The Yarkonis use Zymox on a regular basis to prevent any outbreaks.

Dear members, if you can, please help, or help to identify an avenue of support for Jess. The hound gods will bless you if you do!



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Bloodhounds Make Splash at 2012 Pet Expo!

In November, PRBC bloodhounds and handlers made their debut appearance at the Pet Expo event, held annually at the Puyallup Fair and Event Center. Pet Expo offers the public a chance to see more than 1,000 animals, learn about dogs, cats, birds, reptiles, and fish, and meet a variety of adoptable pets. PRBC's booth, adorned by a beautiful ABC backdrop that is shared for public education events, was a real crowd-pleaser. "Where did you get that backdrop?" was a question often asked. Our human volunteers distributed lots of informative literature, while the bloodhounds basked in loads of petting and attention. Thanks and thanks again to Janis Hardy, Suzi Paine, and all those who donated their time and talents to this event, highlighting the importance of public education as one of the founding principles of our club. On the last page of this newsletter, you'll find a variety of photos that captured the fun.

Welcome, New PRBC Directors!



PRBC is very pleased to introduce to its members and friends the club's new directors for the 2013 – 15 biennium. Thanks to all of you who cast your votes in what turned out to be a very close race.



Janis Hardy has been a member of PRBC since 2005. Her time with PRBC has been spent working at events and shows, in rescue, and on the trail. She has chaired a trailing trial, become an active trailing judge, been trophy chair for several regionals, and served as judges' hospitality chair at the 2005 and 2011 ABC Nationals. As a principal in PRBC rescue, she has

transported k9's all around the state, helped with home checks for placement, and fostered and evaluated k9's for adoption. What Janis enjoys most about all the club activities she is involved in is the camaraderie of her fellow hounders and all that she has learned through the doing.

Marie Taylor lives just outside of Colfax, Washington with her husband, Kevin Doty, their delightful, dazzling, devil dog Dawn and the mousers extraordinaire - Gary and Black Kitty. She makes a living (aka supports her hobbies) as an administrative assistant at Washington State University, and Kevin is a third-generation wheat and barley farmer. Marie has been a member of PRBC since 2007/2008 and a member of the board since winter 2012. She also serves as the Membership Chair for PRBC. Marie is active with her local all-breed club (Palouse Hills Dog Fanciers) and currently serves as their treasurer and unofficial assistant show chair, aka "the paper pusher". She is also a member of the Saint Bernard Club of America.



Cindy Wolfrom lives in Carnation, Washington with her husband, David, and her two much loved (and spoiled) bloodhounds, Lily and Axe. She has been a member of the ABC and PRBC since 2002 when she actively began showing bloodhounds. During her time with the PRBC, Cindy has served as club president, vice president, and director,

and she has chaired a regional or two, but mantrailing is her true passion. All three of her BHs have been certified SAR dogs and have earned various mantrailing titles. In 2012, she became a first-level (EECT) judge with the ABC. On a non-hound note, Cindy works with a foster home in her area to rehabilitate and socialize foster dogs of several breeds.

By-Law Amendments Discussed by PRBC Board

As part of its January 2013 Board teleconference, PRBC officers discussed the feasibility of making two changes to the club's bylaws. The first change would allow for electronic or emailed voting rather than having to mail out hard-copy ballots to club members. The second change would allow all PRBC members, regardless of their geographic locations, to participate in voting processes. As the constitution and bylaws currently read, "A Voting Member shall be a person who meets the general membership requirements and who resides in the following states and provinces: Northwest Region as defined by the American Bloodhound Club (Alaska, Idaho, Montana, Oregon, Washington and Wyoming) California and the Provinces of British Columbia and Alberta. Pacific Rim bloodhound Club may add additional states or provinces as voted by the membership." In effect, this change would make obsolete the category of associate member. Please send your feedback, thoughts, and comments to lharty@ewu.edu or sharty@wildblue.net.



Mark Your Calendars!

Upcoming Events

The Judy Robb Memorial Trailing Trial, originally scheduled for February 16, 17, and 18, 2013, in Gonzales, California, has been canceled. It is possible that application will be made to hold the trailing trial later in the year.

The Clyde Reed Memorial Trailing Trial, requested to take place on Memorial Day weekend, May 25 and 26, 2013, in Valleyford, Washington, has been approved by the National Trailing Trial Committee and awaits American Bloodhound Club Approval.

PRBC's 2013 regional specialty, currently proposed as an independent event to be held the evening of Friday, August 16, 2013 before the Olympic Kennel Club shows of August 17 and 18, 2013, will have its paperwork filed shortly with the American Bloodhound Club and the American Kennel Club. Please see the PRBC 2013 Regional Specialty article for details.

PRBC Greet New Members

PRBC is happy to welcome the following new members to our club!

Marybeth Cline, DVM, has a lifelong passion for dogs and has been involved with bloodhounds since 1993. She is a past president of the American Bloodhound Club, currently edits *The ABC Bulletin*, and serves on the ABC Health Committee. Marybeth has competed with her dogs in showing, rally, obedience, and trailing, and has joined all the regional clubs to stay current on events and happenings in each region.

Pam and Juancho Herranz live in Burlingame, California, and are owned and loved by two rescue hounds. They have been active in the American Bloodhound Club, Bloodhounds West, northern chapter, Golden Gate Basset Rescue, and BHCA. Many of us got to meet Pam when she attended the 2012 national specialty hosted by PRBC. Pam has been a tireless worker on behalf of bloodhounds in rescue status.

Pat Moffitt might be new to PRBC, but she is well known to us for her work in bloodhound rescue. She lives in Windsor, California and has been a part of the Sonoma County search and rescue team since 1979. Pat has earned several trailing titles and has recently received ABC approval as a trailing judge. Her newest endeavor is learning the ropes of showing in the confirmation ring.

Cindi Sims lives in Lotus, California and, like Pam Herranz, is someone many of us had the honor of meeting at the 2011 national specialty. Cindi owns one bloodhound, Sage, whom she describes as the love of her life. Sage is Cindi's service dog, and Cindi has put obedience and rally titles on her. Cindi is interested in showing, trailing, and obedience.

PRBC is especially pleased to welcome new members **Sherry MacFarlane** and **Paul and Daphne Feusier**, who have just adopted Barney (formerly Hank) and Frank from PRBC Rescue. As new adoptive owners, they will receive a complimentary, one-year membership to PRBC.



PRBC 2013 Regional Specialty

Recent discussions among PRBC Board members have resulted in the decision to offer this year's regional as an independent event, to be held the evening of Friday, August 16, 2013. Sheri Whetstine has volunteered to chair the regional. The event venue is predicted to be the same as in 2012: the Enumclaw Expo Center. A supported entry and regular classes will follow on Saturday and Sunday, August 17 and 18, as part of Olympic Kennel Club's all-breed dog shows. Very soon, we hope to email the PRBC membership a judges' slate for quick-turnaround voting, and the PRBC Board has agreed to invite basset hound breeder/handler and bloodhound enthusiast Sylvia McGee to judge puppy and veteran sweepstakes. Sheri would love to hear from anyone who would like to chair or work on a regional committee or to sponsor a trophy. We know you are out there!

PRBC Donations

In support of the bloodhound activities and its sister clubs, PRBC made the following gifts in 2012:



A 'Breakfast in Seattle' regional gift basket for the 2012 ABC Nationals in support of the Top 20 competition. A \$50 gift card as part of a lavish grooming basket in support of Bloodhounds West, Southern Chapter's January 5, 2013 regional specialty.



PRBC Fun at the 2012 Pet Expo!

