



PACIFIC RIM BLOODHOUND CLUB "PAWPRINTS"



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Minutes of meeting held October 6, 2004, Fairfield Glade, Tennessee. Suzi called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Members present: Terri Coffey, Suzi Paine, Claudia Myer, Louise Uphus, Katie Cole, Noel Stockwell, Sid Harty, Lyn Sherman. Secretary's Report: None, Treasurers Report: None. Committee Reports: Regional Specialty; Suzi reports that through creative bookkeeping we made a \$100.00 profit. The biggest expenses were the rental car for the Sweepstakes Judge and Hospitality. The donation jar in the hospitality room was not donated to. An invitation only National Specialty Committee meeting will be held on January 22nd at Argus Ranch. Judy Robb, Kay Schmitt and Sherry Robertson will be coming from out of town to join us. Some discussion was held on holding an on-line fund-raising auction with four or five items. Lyn Sherman will talk with Sherry Robertson about this. Claudia Myer requested we not start our judging at 8:00 a.m. each day as was the case here in Tennessee. Lyn Sherman had some questions on the Top 20. Kay Schmitt will be heading this project, and we will be using the Whippet Club as a model. There will be 3 judges, a breeder, handler and AKC judge. Kay will keep the statistics from May 2004 through May 2005. Entrants will be by invitation only and it will be a black tie event. Some discussion was held on selling ringside chairs and tables for groups. No old business. No new business. Our annual meeting will be held on January 15, 2005 at Suzi Paines home. Meeting adjourned: 6:04 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted, Terri Coffey, Secretary

**ANNUAL MEETING
WILL BE HELD JANUARY 15, 2005**

Suzi Paines Home, Tacoma, WA

(Subject to Bloodhound and Wolfhound judging times)

Meetings this year are extremely important!

Please plan to attend as many as possible!

President's Message

Dear PRBC Members,

Hard to believe that 2004 is almost over already. It has certainly been a busy year, and now it's a time for slowing down and enjoying the crisp weather, the rain that keeps our part of the world so beautiful and green, and the warmth of the holidays with friends, family and hounds.

The 2004 National was absolutely wonderful; everything was well planned and organized, and the quality of the hounds there was the best I've ever seen. Our judges were especially delightful, the setting was outstanding, and the sportsmanship was excellent. I spent two days sitting in the judges' education area at ringside, and the visiting judges were all very impressed with the overall quality of our hounds, judges and exhibitors. I had a super time and hope that PRBC can put on a 2005 event of the caliber that we saw in Tennessee. With everyone's help, I believe we can plan a party that all who attend will enjoy.

The 2005 T-Shirts and Sweatshirts are now for sale, there is an order form in this newsletter. Plan to buy yours now, and to give some as Christmas gifts! Our artist, Nancy Filoso, has created a totally unique wrap-around design and chosen great fall colors to show it off! Start choosing your favorite parts of the design, because later on we'll be offering items with just one or two hounds from the shirts. My personal favorite is the fisherman hound with his cap and salmon net.

Our annual PRBC meeting will take place on Saturday, January 15, at my house in Tacoma. Please contact me if you need directions. The time will be announced as soon as the judging schedule is available (about a week prior to the day). We'll serve coffee, tea, juice, and some special brunch dishes, so nobody will go away hungry. I hope to see you all there for introduction of two newly elected board members, and for discussion of general club business as well as a 2005 meeting schedule.

Until then, I wish you all a Happy Thanksgiving, a Merry Christmas, and a healthy and successful New Year, with all your wishes coming true. Be sure to spend special time with your hounds during the busy holiday season, and keep them safe from holiday hazards.

Seasons Greetings, Suzi

*Don't Forget!
DUES ARE DUE!*

Rainbow Bridge

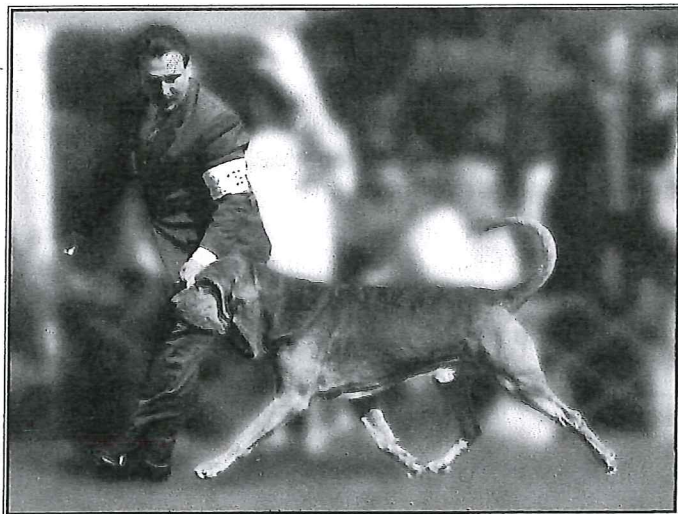
It is with a heavy heart that Nancy Seanor reports the loss of her beloved Louie.

Braggs

PBRC members did very well at this year's National in Tennessee! **Katie Cole** and "**Della**", **Tru-Luv's Moment of Truth**, placed third in her Futurity class, and third in her Sweepstakes class of 12! Della went on to place second in the Bred By Exhibitor class of 14! Della also had a good weekend at Samammish! Della won BOB for a 3 point major! Way to go Katie and Ms. Della!

Noel Stockwell and "**Stella**", **Sapphire's Moment of Tru Luv**, had and equally great time! Stella won Best Futurity Puppy, and fourth in her Sweepstakes class. Stella also made us proud when she placed second in the 9-12 bitch class! Stella also won RWB at Samammish.

Lyn Sherman and "**Knotty**", **Ch Heathers Knock On Wood** won Best of Breed at the National, after winning TWO back to back Best In Show's in Memphis. Knotty also made a clean sweep of the Old Fort Cluster shows in Indiana, FOUR Best In Shows in a row over Halloween weekend! Congratulations Knotty, Lyn and Ken! It sure has been a great year for this team!



Knotty, movin' out at the National

Membership Renewal Time!

By now you have all received your membership renewal cards! Please send your dues to Kay Schmitt today! If you did not receive a card, or have misplaced yours, contact Kay Schmitt, 42 Maple Hill Dr., San Rafael, CA 94903-1720, 415-479-7154. This is a very important year for PRBC and we are excited to have each and every one of you involved in the membership!

Pacific Rim Bloodhound Rescue

It's been a very busy year for rescue! We have been contacted for over 35 Bloodhounds! Of those dogs, four had to be euthanized due to health or aggression issues. One of the hardest things to do in rescue is euthanize a Bloodhound. THIRTEEN dogs are still waiting for their forever homes. Evie, a red s/female has been bounced around the Everett, WA shelter several times. Twice prospective homes have gone to pick her up, only to find the shelter has already placed her by LOTTERY. Unfortunately, they are not paying attention to the type of home they are placing her in and she keeps returning. Of course, she returns when no homes are available. Maggie is another Red female, was not spayed when she came into the Everett shelter. She is somewhere between 1-3 years old and emaciated. Three Rivers Rescue picked her up for us the end of October.

Flower is a spayed female in Idaho who tends to howl quite a bit, and her owners are still looking for a place for her to live where there are no neighbors. Cool Hand Luke III is a 10 month old n/male who was bred by a high volume breeder, Leisa Swarner, in Louisiana. Luke is owned by a man in Puyallup who, due to the owners health issues, is no longer able to care for him. He has been started in SAR with NWBSAR. I have talked with Leisa Swarner and come to an agreement between her, PRBR and the owner. Leisa is shipping a crate to me, PRBR will pay the shipping home, and the owner will repay us when he is able. The crate should be to my house within the next week. If I am able to find Luke a good home locally, before it is time to ship him to Louisiana, I will do so and Leisa Swarner will just have to pay the shipping home on an empty crate!

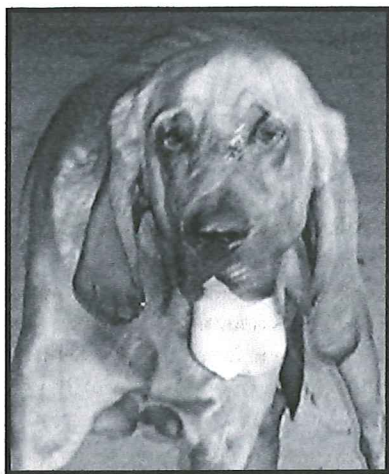
Linda Zimmerman, in Montana, is currently fostering 6 rescue dogs that need homes. Locally, Trooper, a n/male approx. 2 years old and is currently in the Skaggit County Humane Society. I am told by the staff there that he is a sweet dog but needs to go to an experienced hound home. He has no manners on leash! He seldom gets out of his cage at the Humane Society as not too many are able to walk him. There is a b/t s/female in the shelter in Casper, WY. Airedale Rescue is keeping an eye on her for us. We have a 7+ yo s/female in the Tacoma area who was placed by NWBSAR about 3 - 4 years ago. She is blind and has many lumps and bumps, and is in failing health. The owners wish PRBR to come and pay the vet bills to fix her up, or place her in a good home. The only reason they want us to take her is to either pay her vet bill or pay to euthanize her for them. So much for lifelong commitment. Homes for the young and healthy are tough enough to come by, where are we to find a home for a blind, ailing veteran because the owner feels her cell phone bill is more important than doing what is right for this dog?

We have placed 9 dogs this year! Some of these were direct adoptions from owner to adopter without having to physically come into rescue. This is the best type of adoption with our foster home situation.

Following this article, I would like to share some of the joys of rescue. Please read on and see how just a bit of love and caring can change the life of a dog, and a rescue worker. These stories are what keep ME going in rescue. What will bring more people in to offer foster care for these poor dogs who only ask to be loved? Rescue is doing OK with everything but Foster Care. Only one dog at a time can come to the Coffey home. What are we to do with all the others? They face poor placement by other organizations, or a much worse fate.

Remember, donations are always needed and appreciated! Please send all cash donations to Kay Schmitt. Terri





Red's Story

Red didn't ask to be born. He was one of a litter that was born when his mom & dad were surrendered to a Humane Society in Northern California by a puppy miller "getting out of the business". The shelter sold the puppies for some extra income. Red went to a Police Officer who lived in Cave Junction, Oregon. When the officer's youngest daughter fell very ill, he was released from his

job, supposedly because he was gone to Portland so much for his daughter's health care. After he lost his job, the family began to spiral into a terrible hurricane of drugs, alcohol and violence. One day the man decided he no longer wanted his 9 month old Red. He took him down to the river and put one bullet into his head, left him for dead. A few days later, Red showed up at home again. The neighbor, Laurie's daughter, worked for a veterinarian and paid for a visit to have, what the man claimed, was a snake bite on his face treated. The vet treated the wound with antibiotics and took the word of the owner that it was just that, a snake bite. Four days later the man packed his bags and left his wife and kids. Just days after the husband left, the wife decided she didn't want the dog anymore. She took him to the river and put two bullets through his chest. Left him for dead.

A neighbor reported seeing Red at the river, he didn't look well. The woman admitted shooting him twice. Because a neighbor complained, the owner went and got Red, stuck him in a kennel and moved away. There he stayed for almost a week with no food or water.

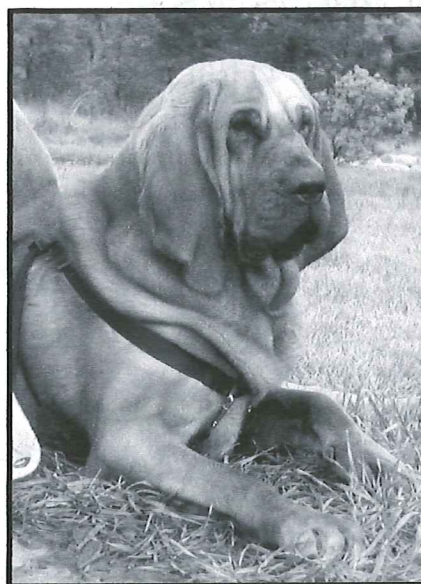
Laurie Conway, the neighbor whose daughter paid the first vet bill for Red had been in contact with another neighbor. They both realized no one was caring for this dog. Laurie went over everyday to give Red food and water while she waited for the owner to return. He would growl at her and quickly inhale the food she gave to him. After a few more days, it became apparent that Red had been abandoned. Laurie had almost made friends with Red and he allowed her to put a collar and leash on him. The bullet wounds in his chest had almost completely healed by this time, but there was a nasty wound on his head where she now suspected a "snake bite" was not really the problem.

Laurie contacted Stacey Poler when she was unable to contact me in Tennessee. Then, Laurie did something wonderful. She took Red to the vet where his wounds were checked. He needed surgery. His head was very infected and his face swollen and painful. Laurie paid for the surgery and had two quarter size bone chips removed from his head, and had him neutered at the same time.

Rescue had no place to put Red while he recuperated, so Laurie offered to nurse him back to health in her barn, along with her 14 Paint horses and her 5 other dogs. Meanwhile, while I checked my possible homes, the Bloodhound Auction Group generously ran an auction for Red's vet bills and raised \$100.00! THANK YOU!!! I came up with a strong home possibility that I am waiting for paperwork and home check on.

I received a letter yesterday from Laurie. Their family has fallen deeply in love with Red and they have decided to keep him through the Winter and see how it goes. Red is very attached to his new family too, and she felt it

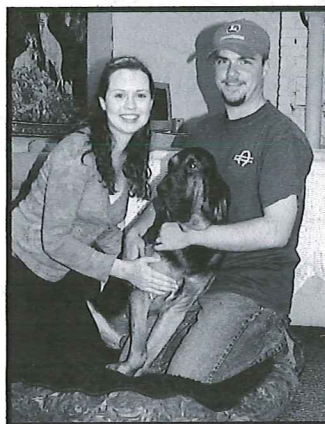
would be best for him to stay put in this home that loves and cares for him. We have had many sad stories in rescue, but this one was the saddest of all. Fortunately, it has one of the HAPPY endings. We wish Red, Laurie and their family many happy years together. Terri



Top Left: Photo was taken mid October. Shot in the back of the head, the bullet followed the contour of the skull exiting through his nose, just to the right of his left eye, leaving two quarter size bone chips and a crease in the skull.

Left: Photo was taken November 13th when Laurie informed me she had fallen in love with him and decided to keep him! Red is healed 100% in mind and spirit. What's not to love with a mug like that?

More 2004 Rescue Successes



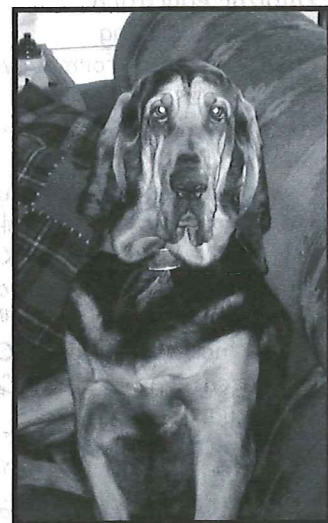
Bear was placed with Brandon Deppenmeir and his new wife in August.



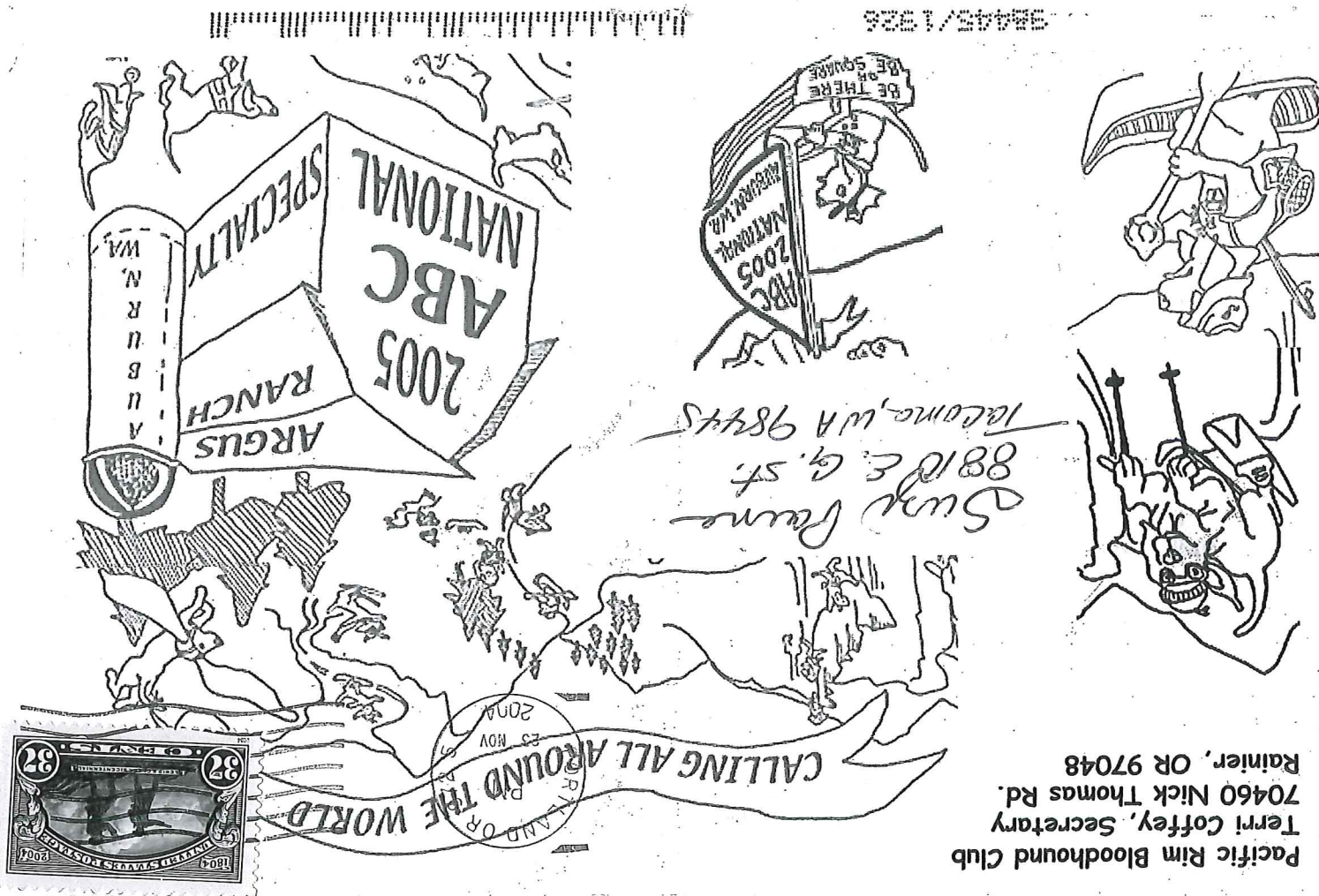
Millie was placed with Lani Gallimore and her husband Ward in June.



Gaucho, now known as Joe, has been living in Yakima with Jodi and Alan Schaefer since July!



Chester has been living in Hillsboro with his new family, Colette Klein since October!



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AMERICAN BLOODHOUND CLUB 2005 NATIONAL SPECIALTY

Schedule of Events

Tuesday 9/27 and Wednesday 9/28 - Mantrailing Trials
Wednesday - trailing seminar by Dennis Slavin and Bill Kift
Trailing awards dinner

Thursday 9/29

Futurity - judged by Kristi Trivilino
Exhibitor education
ABC Board meeting
Top 20 Judging - formal evening with heavy
hor's'doerves and cash bar
catered by Jen's Catering

Friday 9/30

Obedience judged by CT Fulkerson
Veteran and Puppy Sweepstakes judged by Pier Rolandi, Italy
BBQ catered by Caveman Kitchen
Auction and Raffle, entertainment

Saturday, 10/1

Regular, non regular and BOB judged by Elaine Rigden
Banquet catered by Jen's Catering
ABC annual meeting
Awards presentations

Sunday, 10/2

NW Regional Specialty Show
Obedience judged by Sharon Fulkerson
Veteran and Puppy Sweepstakes judged by Becky Cozart
Regular, non regular and BOB judged by Rick Byrd

Our base motel will be the Auburn Valu-Inn, Auburn, WA approx. 15 minutes from the Ranch where the show will be held.

T-Shirts and Sweatshirts are available for **CHRISTMAS PRESENTS THIS YEAR!** You will find order forms in this issue of *Pawprints* and your next ABC Newsletter, or you can contact Suzi or Terri for a copy. We will soon have order forms up on the Pacific Rim Bloodhound Club web site too!

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Education: Noel Stockwell
Obedience Chair: Stacey Poler
Trailing Trial Chair: Lynn Harty
Publicity & Advertising: Lynne Aguirre
Top Twenty Event Chair: Kay Schmitt
Auction/Raffle: Tim & Sherry Robertson
Logo Art Design, T-shirt/product sales: Nancy Filoso
Judges Hospitality: Janis Hardy