

**Agenda and Notes/Updates from the 6/29/2024 Meeting**  
**Pacific Rim Bloodhound Club**  
**Board Meeting regarding the 2024 ABC National Specialty**  
**Saturday, June 29, 2024, 5:30 PM PDT, Held via Zoom**

Present: Sheri Whetstine, Lynn Harty, Cindy Wolfrom, Aldo and Diane Branch, Marie Taylor, Jan Rothwell, Diana Sandoval, Kristy Vanorsdel, and Pam Herranz

Absent: Cheryl Cromeenes, Becky Irving, Lyn Sherman, Janet Kelly, and Darla Watkins

The meeting was called to order at 5:31 PM.

**1. Updates**

**A. Weebly Update (Lynn Harty):**

Lynn plans to contact the Ocean Shores Department of Tourism so that we can post a page of fun things to do in Ocean Shores, including the Bowling Alley and Pacific Paradise Arcade. Lynn will contact Pacific Paradise Arcade (mini golf, bumper boats) to find out whether they'll be open during the week of the National.

- **Paradise Arcade shows daily hours but reserves the right to change days it is open without prior notification. Lynn will work to develop the Fun Things to Do advertisement.**

**B. Grounds Updates**

As far as signs go, the No Pee signs for the CC and the Shilo are all that are needed ... although we could consider making signs for what's in the various CC room areas.

- **Will someone volunteer to make these signs? Aldo and Diane Branch will make 10 – 12 signs.**

**C. Shilo Updates**

- Sheri has heard from Jennifer about getting some latitude on the start and end of our room block rate, and the Shilo is willing to offer our negotiated rate one day before and one day after the dates originally negotiated.
- **Sheri, was there discussion about getting the room block reservation rate available past the original 8/1/2024 cutoff date? The room cutoff date has been extended to 9/1/2024.**

**D. Food Updates Lunches and Dinners**

**Lunches**

- **Betty Seigal** will be attending the Nationals and has signed up to distribute lunches. Ramon and Diana will be on hand to help with this.
- **Cindy, have you had a chance to talk with George Lee about decreasing the lunch prices to \$21? Price to customers is \$20. Not yet.**

**Dinners**

- **Mik and Linda McDonald** will be on hand to check people in for the Wednesday and Friday banquets but won't be in Ocean Shores on Thursday. **Will someone volunteer to check people in for the Thursday night banquet? No volunteers as of 6/29/2024.**
- **Cindy, will you help us on the food orders by getting the buyers' dinner choice information exported to spreadsheets? Yes.**

## **E. Seminars**

Renee Wagner can do CGC and Trick Dog, seminars and Sheri knows a local person who can do them too.

- **Any updates? Not discussed.**

## **F. Commercial Vendors**

Michelle Rockwell wants to attend the National to offer massages to humans and dogs. We agree that this is a great idea and that we would love to have her. Sheri will contact her and see if she's interested in doing Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday (Tuesday would be a free set-up day) for a flat rate of \$100/day (negotiable) to us. Michelle has a 10'x10' privacy tent, and we'll offer her an interior space (half of the seminar room?) in the CC.

- **Sheri, will you be able to contact Michelle? Sheri will reach out to Michelle again.**

## **G. Welcome (Not to be called Hospitality) Bags**

Magnet with logo - donated by Sheri Whetstone

Drool Rag - embroidered with DROOL IS COOL - donated by Pam and embroidery by Sarah

Wet Noses pumpkin big bone cookie - donated by Wet Noses and received by Sheri

Pen - donated by Janet Kelly

Bottle opener - donated by Pam

Toy - donated by Pam

Bloodhound shaped keychain - Kristy is making these out of resin with glitter (different colors)

Roll of poop bags - donated by Suzanne Fitch

Pam will be ordering 100 of the 10"x8"x4" light blue reusable bags for these items. Sheri ordered stickers with the logo to be stuck on each bag.

Pam received all 96 throw blankets today and will be donating those to the club to be used as trophies.

We will have a hospitality bag stuffing party at the CC!

- **Update from Pam:** "Decided to just use the bags I already have. Will add a pack of tissue and nail file. Bottled water and candy will be from Diana and Ramon Sandoval."

## **H. RSVPs**

As of the end of May, there were 49 yeses, two nos, and three tentatives.

- **No new RSVPs. Deirdre Dougherty Rahn and others in her group were reported to be attending.**

## **I. Photographer**

- **Sheri is emailing with the photographer to verify that she can be onsite on Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday. Confirmed yes with no contract renegotiation for Wednesday through Saturday.**

## **J. Trophies**

Fused art glass by Classic Design for the National trophies and Metal art bloodhound head studies for the regional trophies (3 large heads for BOB, BOW, and BOS / 16, 9" heads /for additional 'best' trophies / 12, 5" and 16, 3" that we won't use this time) dog travel bag kits for Grand Futurity and Grand Sweepstakes.

### **Trophy Fundraising Update:**

- Previously estimated \$3515 total net

### **Current Net Subtotals**

- Futurity : 240.53
- National Regular, Class Sponsorships, and Sweepstakes: 2077.95
- Regional Regular, Class Sponsorships, and Sweepstakes: 490.56
- General Fund: 548.15
- Trailing: 364.26

### **Current Net Total: \$3721.45**

- **Sheri, do you know how WWHHA wants to pay for its trophy sponsorship? Sheri will check with WWHHA.**

6/1/2024 Additional Update: For the premium list, other than the Classic Design trophies, all other trophies and class placement items will be listed as Dog-Related Item with this requested disclaimer: "If any described trophies become unavailable, items of equal or greater value will be substituted."

### **K. Class Placement Items Continued**

5/11/2024 Discussion Update: Discussed ocean-themed stuffies (pink and blue for boys and girls?), paw-print dog throws. For the premium list, it's okay to refer to trophies as dog-related items.

6/1/2024 Update: Embroidered towels for the National are terrycloth. Discussion will be continued at the next Zoom meeting.

- **Sheri, any updates on the embroidered towels? Sheri will see Jamie Eggleston next weekend and check with her.**
- **Paw print blankets are 50"x60".**

### **L. Judge's Biographies and Photos**

- Sheri has submitted judge bios and photos have been submitted to Georjan Bridger for the catalog. Two catalog ads have been sold, and a third one is free to the Rick Shriver, chair 2025 National.

### **M. Judges' Hospitality**

- What shall we get for judges' gifts? Continued discussion. Previous discussion: Wine? Portable phone chargers? Yeti cups with bloodhound art? (Darla's daughter and Kristy have Cricuts and can produce these.)
- **No discussion on 6/29/2024.**

### **N. Apparel: Lynn Harty**

4/20/2024 Discussion Update: Apparel is Lynn's next big project.

5/11/2024 Update: Lynn has emailed Janet Shaw, the embroidery lady in Spokane. Janet's on vacation but should be back in Spokane this coming week. More details to follow. For apparel, Cheryl would prefer embroidered sweatshirts for the trailing judges with an embroidered Trailing Judge title added to each shirt.

6/1/2024 Update: from Lynn Janet Shaw has put the sweatshirt embroidery out for bid, so we're still waiting for prices. Logo shirt colors will be gray, blue, and sandy beige. Lynn has photos of Cheryl's hoodie. It's possible that the logo will have to be simplified for embroidered patches.

6/1/2024 Update from Darla: The Bloodhound heart t-shirts are made and ready to go. These will be sold in the boutique.

- **Embroidery and Logo Shirts from Jan Shaw:**

Crew neck, hooded, and zipped hooded sweatshirts with embroidered logos are \$50 each, including the sweatshirts. Extra embroidered wording (for Trailing Judges) is \$8/sweatshirt. Lynn is in discussion with Jan about her making logo T-shirts for us because of time considerations. Jan is on the East coast until July 9 so more details to come. We suggested these colors: heather gray, sandy beige, and some shade of blue. Jan says that blue can be iffy: sometimes it sells well, sometimes it doesn't. More to follow.

- Per tonight's discussion, prices for the sweatshirts will be \$65 crewneck, \$70 hoodie, and \$75 zippered hoodie. Colors will be heather gray, sandy beige, and navy blue.
- When Jan gets back (July 9<sup>th</sup>), Lynn will discuss T-shirt pricing for direct-to-transfer, four-color, and silkscreen printing options.

**O. Items from the ABC**

- Need a rosette "Breeder of the Grand Futurity Winner" to be presented at the National banquet on Friday night.
- Best Bred by Exhibitor will be split into Puppy and Adult Classes by sex for dogs and bitches and winners will compete for Best Bred by Exhibitor after BOB judging.
- **Sheri, have you heard from Paula Van Beveren about the updates that need to go to the AKC? Sheri will contact Paula about the show updates to the AKC.**
- **Lynn has re-contacted Sandy Katos/Lynne Aguirre about insurance for the National. With no response from Lynne, Lynn (Harty) will try texting and phoning next.**

**P. Top Twenty Items**

- **Cindy, update on raffle baskets and current online raffle? The only regional club that hasn't responded yet is South Central.**
- **Other Top 20 updates? The extra-large dog bed raffle has been extended for an additional week.**

**Q. Payment Options for the Live Auction and the Boutique**

- **Cindy, Cheryl, and Kristy, have you met separately to discuss payment options with Venmo, a PayPal link, and Zell? Cindy and Kristy will be getting together to discuss how to do this.**

**R. Other Topics:**

**Raffle Tickets Online:** No, we won't be offering raffle tickets online but will to a Chuck-a-Duck event on Thursday and a 50/50 raffle on Friday. Jan Rothwell has purchased 100 ducks for us, and Cindy will get a kiddie pool locally. Ducks will cost \$5 apiece, and the winner of Chuck-a-Duck will split the proceeds 50/50 with PRBC.

- **Catalog Prices:** To be determined. Sheri will check with Georjan about the price she'll charge us for printing the catalogs.
- **Premium List:** First version of the premium list has been submitted to Georjan Bridger. Will be proofing and making corrections.
- **Crating Update:** Fifteen spaces have been sold – Rahn 4 / Michalis 4 / Branch 1 / Susanna Anderson 2 / Ozee 2 / Natalie Lewis 2. No grooming will be allowed in the day crating area.
- **Ring Stewards:** Marie Taylor will steward if she attends the National.

- **Live Auction:** PRBC will need to take the payments for auction items, and Mercury Auctions will need descriptions of special items. Lynn will ask Molly to put special auction items online for pre-bidding from around the country. Silent auction on Thursday?

**Calendar Alert:** The next PRBC National Specialty Zoom meeting will take place on Saturday, July 13, 5:00 PM PDT.

The 6/29/2024 PRBC National Specialty Zoom meeting was adjourned at 7:14 PM Pacific Daylight Time