

Teleconference of the Pacific Rim Bloodhound Club Board
Monday, July 18, 2011, 7:00 PM

PRBC President Becky Irving convened today's teleconference to continue the discussion of the financial needs of the PRBC rescue operation. Other PRBC members participating in the conference were Kay Schmitt, Sonnya Crawford, Cheryl Cromeenes, Sheri Whetstine, and Lynn Harty.

Background:

The conference call was set up in response to a 6-15-11 e-mail by Dr. Sonnya Crawford, PRBC secretary and co-owner of Grays Harbor Veterinary Clinic. Sonnya and her husband, Dr. Tim Crawford, with primary support from clinic staff members, manage and operate the PRBC rescue operation. Bloodhounds in rescue are housed on the clinic premises and receive veterinary care, boarding, and grooming from Drs. Crawford and the clinic staff. With the exception of one-time financial support from PRBC to purchase additional kennels and a stipend from the American Bloodhound Club, the rescue operation is self-support (\$200 requested donation per hound on intake and \$200 when placed), and financial outgo has grown larger than income, resulting in the clinic's having to financially subsidize the rescue operation. The rescue treasury is kept in a separate account from other PRBC funds. Sonnya provided a list of rescue group veterinary charges via e-mail today. On the average, rescue bitches cost \$322.05 and rescue dogs \$277.05 in veterinary expenses and related care.

Current Status of the Rescue Operation:

- Rescue currently has two dogs – Louie and Ellie – and, as previously agreed upon, Sonnya has declined for intake 6-7 bloodhounds over the past month.
- The rescue treasury now totals \$733.00

Items of Discussion and Agreement:

- Raise the rescue fees to \$300 (\$300 on intake and \$300 when adopted).
- Bloodhounds going to the adopted homes will be spayed/neutered, vaccinated (without leptospirosis), and micro chipped. "Revolution," deworming, bathing, and complimentary food will no longer be included but could be purchased by the new owners.
- Bloodhounds will be limited to 3-4 in rescue at any given time.
- Sonnya has the final authority to take in any rescue dogs with reported aggression and/or bite issues for euthanasia.

Fundraising Ideas:

- Bloat kits will be sold online after the Nationals.
- Create "Help this Bloodhound Now" donation auctions on FaceBook with the technical help of Heather Richards. Lynn Harty will sponsor Heather and Dave Richards' membership in PRBC.
- Set up bloodhound fun days and charge \$5 - \$10/head.
- Require a donation to rescue for published "brags."

- Offer more microchip clinics; select locations in proximity to where PRBC members live.

Next Steps:

- Kay Schmitt will contact Lynne Aguirre about the ABC's pending financial support for the rescue operation. We should receive \$15/dog for 30 dogs.
- Lynn Harty will send Kay Schmitt a check for Heather and Dave Richards' PRBC membership.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn Harty
PRBC Board Member
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