The California BULLDOGGE

June/July 2009

THE BULLDOG CLUB OF NORTHERN CALIFORNIA, INC.

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The "Bullwrinkle" Brothers —

Rudy Valentino and Casanova Bentley — Finish Their Championships Two Weeks Apart

Rudy, at 12 months old, followed up a 4-point major win in Oregon under breeder Judge Claire Johnson with a 5-point major from Bulldog Judge Cody Sickle at PCBC, finishing first. Two weeks later, Casanova followed that performance with three consecutive majors at the Bulldog Club of Utah circuit under Bulldog Judges Larry Grissom, Walter Bloom, and Bill Gray.

What was true when these dogs were eight weeks old is still true as they have reached a year old: I have a hard time choosing between them, which is why I had to find families for them who would not only provide excellent and loving homes, but would permit me to show them both to their championships. It's been great fun, and I thank Derek & Debbie Burns and their three daughters, and George & Lindsay Bolton and their two sons, for permitting their canine family members to be absent on many weekends.

Now, we will be cheering on littermates Sparkle and Francesca and, hopefully, brother "Hoss Cartwright" who will be home soon, leaving behind his walks following the donkeys on the Chilean beaches.

Onward and upward, Rudy and Cass — may you both reach all your potential!

Edie Gaertner

From two weeks old...

To three and four months old...

Casanova

Rudy

BCNC Meeting Information

At the February General meeting, it was decided to hold more meetings at some local dog shows or at club events. Please consult the list below for locations. Directions will be printed monthly.

- July: Board meeting at the Breeders Match
- August: Dublin Bowl, Dublin
- September: Sir Francis Drake KC
- October: Del Valle Dog Fanciers of Livermore
- November: to be announced
- December: Board meeting at the Christmas Match

2009 Membership Rates

Annual membership rates are $20 each. Contact BCNC Membership Chairperson:

Loretta Arellano
4115 Amos Way
San Jose, CA
95135
E-mail: raullor@hotmail.com
Phone: 408-270-7908

June/July Birthdays

Happy Birthday to

Joanna Dyer, 6-21

and

Jessica Pangilinan, 7-2

The June General Membership Meeting will be held on

Sunday, June 7th

at the

Contra Costa Kennel Club
Solano County Fairgrounds

900 Fairgrounds Drive
Vallejo, CA 94589

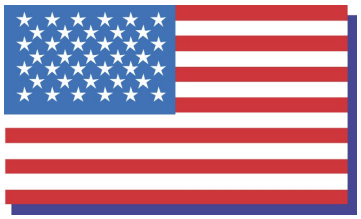
Judges for the BCNC 2010 Specialty will be elected.

You are invited to a Championship Party!

Following the Bulldog judging and before the club meeting, please come share a quick lunch, some champagne, and a Championship Cake to celebrate Bullwrinkle Casanova and Bullwrinkle Rudy's new championships.

More info about party/meeting location at ringside.

Remember — there will be no general meeting in July. If it is necessary to conduct any club business, a board meeting will be held July 12th following the Breeders Match .



President's Message

Hello everyone,

I hope you all are having a great summer. I encourage you to plan on attending our Breeders Match coming up in July. We have activities planned for all ages and dogs. We would really like to see more of our "non-show" people come to the event and meet us. We want to include you in our activities and think you will find the picnic a fun day in the park for you and your Bullies.

The club raises money for our activities by selling raffle items that are donated. We encourage all members to buy a few tickets. There are some really nice prizes for our specialty this year: Giants tickets, wine baskets, dog training table and a ramp. At the Breeders Match, tickets will be available. You are welcome to sell them to family and friends to help support our club.

Thanks in advance for your support.

Pat Ropp

Proposed Applicants for Membership

Maryann Parry
25151 Canyon Oaks Ct.
Castro Valley, CA 94552
Phone: 510-537-6140
E-mail: maryannparry@msn.com
Occupation: Teacher
Proposed by: Suzy Holleran
"I am new to the Bulldog breed and very interested in getting a Bulldog puppy. Suzy Holleran and Monica got me interested and encouraged my attendance at various shows."

Tracy and Tom Crespi
3104 Shire Lane
Walnut Creek, CA 94598
Home: 925-935-3950
Work: 925-596-0360
E-mail: tom-crespi@sbcglobal.net
Occupation: Manager
Proposed by: Loretta Arellano
"We've owned three wonderful Bulldogs. Each was adopted from rescue. We also own two horses, which are boarded at our neighborhood facility."

Alejandro Montiel
4188 17th St.
San Francisco, CA 94114
Phone: 415-436-0118
E-mail: montielbulldogs@gmail.com
Occupation: Property Management
Proposed by: Loretta Arellano

Thanks to **Richard Seeno**, the **2009 BCNC Membership Directory** has been produced and mailed. If you do not receive your copy, please contact Richard at rbs.value.net or 925-672-2076.

Thank you, **Richard**, for printing the newsletter, and a thank you to **Jean-Marie Hill** for helping to collate, staple, and fold!

Summer Safety

Summer is here, and with it comes the opportunity for all of us to enjoy more time outdoors. It is great to include your pets in the fun, but remember these safety tips to help keep your loved ones healthy during the summer months.

Summer Hazards and Backyard Safety

Look out for rattlesnakes — the incidents of human and animal rattlesnake bites are quite common. The last thing you want is to be surprised by a rattlesnake while you are hiking, riding, camping, having a picnic or participating in other activities with your pets. And if you live where rattlesnakes live, you should consider vaccination with rattlesnake vaccine.

Be aware of the signs of heat stroke in dogs! They include panting, drooling or excessive salivation changing to dry gums as the condition progresses, a rapid pulse, weakness and confusion. If you notice these signs, immediately attempt to cool the dog using cool (not cold) water, and seek emergency veterinary assistance.

Never leave your dog unattended in a parked car. Even in the shade and with the windows down, the inside can reach 120 degrees within minutes. Your dog is susceptible to hear exhaustion, heat stroke and even death under those conditions.

Pets can get sunburns too! Pets with short hair and pink skin are especially at risk. Consider applying sunblock around your dog's nose and ears if you plan to spend time together outdoors (it's best to look for sunblock that is labeled safe for pets). While shaving your long-haired dog may seem like a good idea during the summer months, it may actually increase the risk of sunburn.

Avoid strenuous exercise on extremely hot days. Extra care should be taken with older pets, and in very hot weather, try to walk your dog during the early morning or evening when it's a little cooler outside.

Make sure an outdoor dog has access to fresh water and shade at all times. If it's too hot for you, it's too hot for your dog!

Water Safety

Swimming is a terrific way to cool off, and can provide good exercise as well. Water can also be treacherous, so keep the following safety tips in mind.

Not all dogs are natural swimmers. As with any form of exercise, be extra vigilant with dogs that have health problems, and overweight of older dogs. Consider a canine PFD (personal flotation device), especially if you take your pet on a boat.

Pools can be dangerous for dogs and cats. Make sure your pool is fenced in, and supervise your pet's access to pools at all times.

Taking your dog to the beach can be great fun but be sure not to let him drink too much of the salt water, and provide a shady spot if you're staying awhile. Remember, the salt water isn't good for his coat and skin, so be sure to rinse him off with fresh water after swimming in the ocean.

In late summer, the shallow water of ponds and streams can become breeding grounds for bacteria and algae that can be dangerous and even toxic for your dog. If the water smells funny or looks cloudy or discolored, particularly with a blue/green tint, find another spot to cool off.

Backyards

Many people spend extra time sprucing up their lawns and gardens during summer. Remember, most plant foods, fertilizers and pesticides are harmful to or pets. Cats and dogs should be kept away from all lawn care products after they've been applied to your lawn and garden.

"Are mushrooms dangerous to dogs?" "My cat is nibbling on my lilies. It's not doing the lilies any good, but is it bad for her, too?" "Cocoa mulch smells good enough to eat. Will it harm my pets if they swallow some?"

The answers are yes, yes, and yes! Your yard could be full of hazards to your four-footed friends.

Several common plants can wreak havoc on the digestive tracts of curious animals. Foods that are tasty to humans

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More Summer Safety

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can be toxic to dogs. Some examples are raisins, grapes, walnuts, almonds, macadamia nuts, onions, garlic and chocolate.

In fact, grapes and raisins sent more dogs and cats to the pet hospital last year than any other accidental cause of plant-related poisoning, according to a new survey released by Veterinary Pet Insurance Co., the nation's largest provider of pet health insurance. That was followed by mushrooms, often the common backyard varieties. The average cost of treatment was $427.

Almost all plant poisonings in pets can be prevented, but prevention depends on knowledge, therefore it is important for pet owners to become familiar with which items can be toxic if ingested. Grapes are a major hazard; even small amounts can cause renal failure and immediate treatment is essential. Symptoms include anorexia, lethargy, depression, vomiting, diarrhea and abdominal pain. Mushrooms contain toxins that can harm a dog's liver. Symptoms include salivation, dehydration vomiting and diarrhea. Remove mushrooms from grassy areas as soon as they sprout.

Several common plants also are highly toxic to pets. Those in poisoning cases reported by VPI were: lilies, sago palms, azaleas, hydrangeas, delphinium, crocus bulbs, hemlock, rhododendrons, gladiolus, tea trees, poison ivy, nightshade, tobacco, oleander, brunfelsia, hibiscus, scarlet pimpernel and kalancho. Almost all the lily cases involved cats. Our advice: Remove toxic plants, particularly from areas where pets will play and spend time unsupervised.

Cocoa mulch, a byproduct of cocoa bean processing, has been showing up at home improvement stores. But like chocolate itself, this dark brown mulch is highly toxic to dogs, particularly puppies. Fertilizers and pesticides also present a threat to our best friends. Watch your dogs and cats around any areas where fertilizers or pesticides have been recently applied.

Source: Adapted for The California Bulldogge from *Blue Ravine News*, May 2009.

Heartworm Disease

A dog or cat can get heartworm disease through a mosquito bite. If the mosquito is carrying the heartworm larvae (infective stage) when it bites a pet, the disease is likely to be transmitted to the pet. The larvae enter the bite wound and move through the pet's body. The adult worms live in the heart, lungs, and nearby blood vessels, where they can grow up to 12 inches long.

Dogs, cats, and some other mammals can get heartworms only if bitten by an infected mosquito; the disease is not contagious from one animal to another. Heartworms in humans are very rare.

Most dogs and cats with heartworm infection do not show any symptoms until the disease becomes severe. At that stage, symptoms may include

- Difficulty breathing
- Coughing
- Tiredness
- Reduced appetite and weight loss
- Vomiting and gagging (usually only in cats)
- Lung, liver, kidney, or heart failure, leading to death

Heartworm is a difficult-to-treat and potentially fatal disease in dogs and cats, but it can be prevented with drugs approved by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA). Owners have a variety of products to choose from to help keep their pets heartworm-free.

Forward Planning

July
No General Membership Meeting
No Bulletin
July 12: Annual Breeder's Match & Picnic
2nd: BCA Division III Specialty, Ventura CA

August
BCA / BCNC Code of Ethics/Education Review
1st: Bulldogger AD Deadline: September Issue
11th: BCA Division V Specialty, Olympia WA
12th: BC of Seattle Specialty, Olympia WA
13th: BC of Seattle Specialty, Olympia WA

September
Vote on Board-Recommended Dues

October
Nominate Spring Puppy Match Judge(s)
16th: BCNC Specialty (Generic)
Veteran Sweepstakes
Obedience Trial / Rally Trial
17th: BCNC Specialty
Puppy Sweepstakes
18th: Supp. Show: Del Valle DC, Pleasanton

November
Nominate Club Officers & Board for 2010
Elect 2010 Spring Puppy Match Judge(s)
Early Club Meeting Date due to Thanksgiving
1st: Bulldogger AD Deadline: December Issue
22nd to 28th: BCA National Show Week in Division VI, Kansas City, MO

December
No General Membership Meeting
Holiday Match and Dinner
29th:Supp Show / Salinas KC, San Mateo CA

January 2010
Election of Officers and Directors
President Appoints Audit Committee
30-31st Golden Gate Kennel Club Benched Shows

February 2010
Appoint Breeder's Match Chair
1st-----Bulldogger AD Deadline - March Issue
6-7th --Mother Lode BC Specialty, Sacramento CA
15-16th Westminster Dog Show, New York, NY
21st ---Supp Show / Santa Clara Valley KC, San Jose CA

March 2010
Select 4 Supported Entry Shows for 2012
Purchase Supported Entry Bred-by Trophies
Nominate and Elect Breeder's Match Judge

BCNC April Minutes

(abbreviated/approved minutes)

April 23, 2009

Location: Pet Food Express, San Leandro, CA

Officers in attendance: Pat Ropp, Lynn Stuart, Bonnie Roberts, Pat Buchanan, Edie Gaertner, Don Epperly, Tracy Epperly, Loretta Mikesell, Richard Seeno, Mary Aiken.
Absent: Betty Hatton, Jane Pharr

Members in attendance: Melisa Barrett, Don Kotoff

Visitors: Brian Fong, Katherine DeLeon

Old Business: Overage from last year is $1510.15. A maximum of 10% of carryover funds can be given to charity. Don (Epperly) motioned to give $750 to rescue. Seconded by Bonnie Roberts. Passed.

New Business:

Supported entry shows for 2011:
February 20, Santa Clara Valley KC
March 26, San Mateo KC
May 22, Coyote Hills KC
June 12, Contra Costa KC

2011 Specialty Judge Nominations:
Vet. Sweeps: Patti Rungo
Class Judges: Bridgett Higginbotham, Claudia Brown, Mark Kennedy, Al Breckley
Puppy Sweeps: Peggy Breckley

Membership reinstated to 25-year member Lynn Stuart: Motion by Don, second by Bonnie, motion carried.

Motion to spend $500 on advertising alternating between SF and SJ newspapers: by Don, second by Mary. Motion carried.

Motion to give $500 to PET Pac: Motion by Bonnie, second by Don. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted
Pat Buchanan

Bulldogs

BRAGS

Edie bragged that Rudy was WD/BW at PCBC for a 5-pt. major, making him a Champion by 13 months old.

Pat R. bragged that Joey and Mille both placed at PCBC and Div III. Joey got two seconds and a third; Milled was second in a large open class.

Lynn Stuart bragged that Sophy won 4th in her class on PCBC's Sunday show and was a sweet, well-behaved, outgoing little princess.

Just for Fun

Why Some Men Prefer Dogs

1. The later you are, the more excited they are to see you.
2. Dogs don't notice if you call them by another dog's name.
3. Dogs like it if you leave a lot of things on the floor.
4. A dog's parents never visit.
5. Dogs agree that you have to raise your voice to get your point across.
6. You never have to wait for a dog; they're ready to go 24 hours a day.
7. Dogs find you amusing when you're drunk.
8. Dogs like to go hunting and fishing.
9. A dog will not wake you up at night to ask, "If I died, would you get another dog?"
10. If a dog smells another dog on you, they don't get mad. They just think it's interesting.
11. Dogs like to ride in the back of a pickup truck.
12. If a dog leaves, it won't take half of your stuff.

BULLDOG CLUB OF NORTHERN CALIFORNIA, INC.

BREEDER'S MATCH

Sunday, July 12th, 2009, 9 a.m.

To Be Held Outdoors

The Pet Food Express
Headquarters / Offices
2131 Williams St., San Leandro

- Owners of Sire or Dam are Eligible -

Judge: Shalisa Neeley *Match Chair: Bonnie Roberts*

◆Judging Starts at 9am Sharp !
◆Entry Fee: $10.00 PRE-ENTRY ONLY and Closes Saturday July 11th at Noon
◆No Entries Will Be Taken The Day of Match or Accepted After Closing
◆Rosettes Will Be Awarded for First through Fourth Places

BREEDERS MATCH GUIDELINES:

1. The President shall appoint a Chairman at the beginning of their term.
2. The Match will be held at the Annual Picnic.
3. Only puppies bred by members in good standing in BCNC are eligible. Owner of SIRE or DAM must be a member at the time of breeding and must abide by the BCNC Code of Ethics. If SIRE or DAM is co-owned, only one owner must be a member of BCNC.
4. Owners of puppies at the time of the Match MAY or MAY NOT be members.
5. All awards will be presented to the member breeder of the puppy. If there are co-owners, only members of BCNC will be listed for wins in the Club bulletin.
6. Age limit of puppies will be 3 months to 18 months (by the Match date).
7. Puppies may only be shown once in a Breeders Match.

ENTRIES WILL BE JUDGED IN THE FOLLOWING MANNER:

1. Males and females will be judged separately.
2. When total entry is 14 or less, there will be two classes—Dog and Bitch
3. When the number of entries is 15 or more, they will be divided into classes:
   - ◆3 months to 6 months, Dogs and Bitches
   - ◆6 months to 9 months, Dogs and Bitches
   - ◆9 months to 15 months, Dogs and Bitches
4. The judge selects up to 4 puppies from each class. These puppies will make the final class.
5. From the final class, first through fourth is selected.

Entry fee will be $10.00 per dog. Match Chairman may show at this match. Recording Secretary confirms breeder as a member in good standing.

Prizes will be awarded as follows:

1st	◆	40% of total entry fee
2nd	◆	25% of total entry fee
3rd	◆	15% of total entry fee
4th	◆	10% of total entry fee

The Club retains 10% for administrative costs.

ENTRY FORM - CHECK CLASS ENTERED and Enclose Fee of: $ _____ *(checks payable to BCNC)*
Copy of Litter or Individual AKC Registration must be included with entry.

Owner(s): _____ Phone Number: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Name of Dog: _____ Dog ☐ Bitch ☐ Dog Birth Date:

Sire: _____ Breeder(s): _____

Dam: _____

Class: 3-6 mos ☐ 6-9 mos ☐ 9-15 mos ☐

SALE OF DOGS OR PUPPIES NOT ALLOWED AT ANY BCNC FUNCTION

Agreement to Hold Harmless, Waiver and Assumption of Risk:
I (We) hereby waive, release and hold harmless the Bulldog Club of Northern California, Inc., its officers, members and agents from any and all liability for any injury, damage, or loss which I, my dog (s), my family members, or guest(s) may suffer on the premises, grounds, or surrounding area thereto:

MAIL PRE-ENTRIES TO:
BONNIE ROBERTS
2130 CAMINO BRAZOS
PLEASANTON CA 94566
(more info: 925-846-2035)

Signature of Dog Owner: _____ **Date:** _____

BCNC PICNIC
Sunday, July 12th, 2009

Immediately Following the Breeders Match

Games and Contests for You and Your Bullies!

Rally Course, Obstacle Course, Games, Salad Contest, Desert Contest and Trivia

Start Training Now!

The main course and drinks will be provided and everyone should bring a potluck side dish according to the schedule below.

Last Name Starting: A-M = Salad N-Z = Desert

don't forget... you can bring both to be in the contest!

Very Important

The weather may be extremely warm. Don't forget to bring crate, shade cover, water bowls, squirt bottle, cool coats and other cool remedies.

There will be indoor air-conditioned space for crates when dogs are not participating in breeders match or picnic.

Picnic and Match is being held at

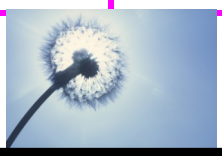
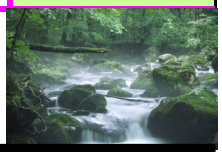
Pet Food Express Corporate Offices

2131 Williams St., San Leandro, CA

Directions: I-880 to Marina Blvd West, to Doolittle Dr., Right to Williams, Right to first driveway on Right, across from the Fire Station.

Picnic Chair: Pat Ropp — (408) 356-0039 — paropp@aol.com

June 2009

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4 Skyline KC Vallejo	5 Skyline KC Vallejo	6 Contra Costa Vallejo
7 Contra Costa Vallejo	8	9	10 Shows Close Lost Coast	11 Shasta Kennel Club, Gridley	12 Shasta Kennel Club, Gridley	13 Butte Co. KC Gridley
14 Flag Day Butte Co. KC, Gridley	15	16	17 Shows Close Channel City Santa Maria Ventura	18	19	20
21 Father's Day/ Summer	22	23	24 Shows Close Del Monte KC Carmel, CA	25	26	27 Lost Coast KC Ferndale, CA
28 Lost Coast KC Ferndale, CA	29	30				

June 2009 Show Schedule

DATE-	LOCATION	CLUB	FEE	CLOS	SUPT	BREED JUDGE	GROUP JUDGE
JUN 4 Th	Vallejo CA	Skyline Dog Fanciers	29	May 20	MB-F	Mrs. Michelle Billings	Mrs. Michelle Bill-
JUN 5 Fri	Vallejo, CA	Skyline Dog Fanciers	29	May 20	MB-F	Mr. Bill Gray	Mr. Richard
JUN 6 Sat	Vallejo CA	Contra Costa KC	29	May 20	MB-F	Mrs. Myrna Vaughn	Mrs. Molly Martin
JUN 7 Sun	Vallejo, CA	Contra Costa KC	29	May 20	MB-F	Mrs. Claire Johnson	Mr. John Booth
JUN 11 Th	Gridley, CA	Shasta Kennel Club	29	May 27	MB-F	Mr. Walter Pinsker	Mrs. H. T. Clark
JUN 12 Fri	Gridley, CA	Shasta Kennel Club	29	May 27	MB-F	Ms. Patricia Geller-man	Ms. Christine Ander-son
JUN 13 Sat	Gridley, CA	Butte County KC	29	May 27	MB-F	Mrs. H. T. Clark	Ms. Patricia Gellerman
JUN 14 Sun	Gridley, CA	Butte County KC	29	May 27	MB-F	Ms. Janet Allen	Ms. Janet Allen
JUN 20	Canby, OR	Clackamas KC	26	Jun 3	Onofrio	Mr. Lewis Bayne	Dr. Michael Manning
JUN 21	Canby, OR	Clackamas KC	26	Jun 3	Onofrio	Dr. Michael Manning	Mr. Lewis Bayne
JUN 27 Sat	Ferndale, CA	Lost Coast Kennel	26/20	Jun 10	MB-F	Mrs. Doris Boyd	Mr. James Reynolds
JUN 28 Sun	Ferndale, CA	Lost Coast Kennel	26/20	Jun 10	MB-F	Mrs. Mildred Bryant	Mrs. Mildred Bryant
JUL 2	Ventura, CA	BCA Division III		Jun 16	Myrna	Mr. Steve Terry	
JUL 3	Ventura, CA	Channel City KC	28	Jun 16	Bradshaw	Mr. Roger Hart-	Mrs. Paula Hartinger

July 2009

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Shows Close Portland KC	2 BCA Division III Ventura, CA	3 Channel City Ventura, CA	Santa Maria KC Ventura, CA
5 Ventura DF Ventura, CA	6	7	8 Shows Close Lompoc KC	9	10	11 Del Monte KC Carmel, CA
12 Del Monte KC Carmel, CA	13	14	15 Shows Close Richmond DF Dixon	16	17	18 Portland KC Portland, OR
19 Portland KC Portland, OR	20	21	22	23	24	25 Lompoc KC Lompoc, CA
26 Lompoc KC Lompoc, CA	27	28	29	30	31	

July 2009 Show Schedule

DATE	LOCATION	CLUB	FEE	CLOS	SUPT	BREED JUDGE	GROUP JUDGE
JUL 2	Ventura, CA	BCA Division III		Jun 16	Myrna Vaughn	Mr. Steve Terry	_____ _____
JUL 3	Ventura, CA	Channel City KC	28	Jun 16	Bradshaw	Mr. Roger Hartinger	Mrs. Paula Hartinger
JUL 4	Ventura, CA	Santa Maria KC	28	Jun 16	Bradshaw	Mr. James Ham	Mr. Roger Hartinger
JUL 5	Ventura, CA	Ventura DFA	28	Jun 16	Bradshaw	Ms. Beverly Cap-	Ms. Beverly Capstick
JUL 11	Carmel, CA	Del Monte KC	29	Jun 24	MB-F	Ms. Vickie L. Abbott	Ms. Vickie L. Abbott
JUL 12	Carmel, CA	Del Monte KC	29	Jun 24	MB-F	Mr. Michael Heflin	Mr. Joe Tacker
JUL 18	Portland, OR	Portland KC	29.5	Jul 1	Onofrio	Tba	Tba
JUL 19	Portland, OR	Portland KC	29.5	Jul 1	Onofrio	Tba	Tba
JUL 25	Lompoc, CA	Lompoc Valley KC	28	Jul 8	Bradshaw	Mr. Richard Camacho	Mr. Richard Camacho
JUL 26	Lompoc, CA	Lompoc Valley KC	28	Jul 8	Bradshaw	Ms. Kathleen Grosso	Mr. David Krogh
AUG 1	Dixon, CA	Richmond Dog Fanciers		Jul 15	MB-F	Ms. Lani McKennan	Mrs. Toby Frisch
AUG 2	Dixon, CA	Richmond Dog Fanciers		Jul 15	MB-F	Ms. Elaine Lessig	Ms. Elaine Lessig

Show Results

Southern Oregon Kennel Club, May 7
Judge: Bridgett Higginbotham
(local winners only listed)
B Ch. Silverspoon's Nothing Personal
Mary Aiken & Rick Sturiza
WB Silverspoon's Sentimental Reasons (2 pts.)
Mary Aiken & Rick Sturiza

Southern Oregon Kennel Club, May 8
Judge: Regina Leininger
(local winners only)
OS Ch. Deserthawk's Bo Diddle
Patricia & Terry Hawkinson
BW/WB/BBBE Deserthawk's Peggy Sue (2 pts.)
Patricia & Terry Hawkinson

Camellia Capital Kennel Club, May 9
Judge: Mrs. Janice Pardue
B/G2 Ch. Globe & Anchor Sgt. Iron Mike
Doris & Dave Boyd and Virginia & Mike Hearne
OS/BW/WB Bodhi's Light, Life & Love (1 pt.)
Sandra Martinez & Patti Rungo & Mary Aiken
WD Majestic Valentino (1 pt.)
George Flores & Shalisa Neely
RWD Walkin Blues Fat Boy Slim
Suzy & Chris Holleran
RWB Bodhi's Celestial All Eyes On Me
Bonnie & Brian Roberts
BP Wild Wests Guns & Roses
Shelly Fernandez

Camellia Capital Kennel Club, May 10
Judge: Mrs. Carolyn Herbel
B/G2 Ch. Royal Lee Flying Eagle II
Alexander Lee (Sandra Martinez, Agent)
OS Ch. Bullwrinkle Casanova Bentley
Edie Gaertner and George & Lindsay Bolton
BW/WD/BBBE Walkin Blues Fat Boy Slim (1 pt.)
Suzy & Chris Holleran
RWD Majestic Valentino
George Flores & Shalisa Neely
WB Wild Wests Guns & Roses (1 pt.)
Shelly Fernandez
RWB Bodhi's Light, Life & Love
Sandra Martinez & Patti Rungo & Mary Aiken

Klamath Dog Fanciers, May 10
Judge: Mrs. Loraine Boutwell
(local winners only)
B Silverspoon's Nothing Personal
Mary Aiken & Rick Sturiza

Coyote Hills Kennel Club, May 16
Judge: Mr. Timothy Robbins
B Ch. Wild Wests Cowboy Up
Shelly & David Fernandez
BW/WD Devine-a-Bull The Italian Job (1 pt.)
Dana & Charlie Nastari and Kim Lucier
RWD Majestic Valentino
George Flores & Shalisa Neely
OS/WB Pinto's Ride Sally Ride (1 pt.)
Loretta & Raul Arellano and Susan Guarglia
RWB Bedrocks Loven Spoonfull
Susan Guarglia

Coyote Hills Kennel Club, May 17
Judge: Mrs. Peggy J. Haas
B Ch. Bullwrinkle Casanova Bentley
Edie Gaertner and George & Lindsay Bolton
BW/WD Devine-a-Bull The Italian Job (1 pt.)
Dana & Charlie Nastari and Kim Lucier
RWD Majestic Valentino
George Flores & Shalisa Neely
OS/WB Pinto's Ride Sally Ride (1 pt.)
Loretta & Raul Arellano and Susan Guarglia
RWB Bedrocks Loven Spoonfull
Susan Guarglia

Hangtown Kennel Club of Placerville, May 23
Judge: Mr. LaMar Mathis
B Ch. Walkin Blues Babalu
Suzy & Chris Holleran
OS/BW/WB Benchmarks Devine-a-Bull Stella (2 pts.)
Kim Lucier and David Long
WD Walkin Blues Fat Boy Slim (1 pt.)
Suzy & Chris Holleran
RWD Majestic Valentino
George Flores & Shalisa Neely
RWB Hays Start Spreading the News
Ken & Lois Hays and Sandra Martinez

Rescue Report — Saying Goodbye to Ariel

This is not the update I had planned. I can quickly relate that happily all the octopups are either placed or on their way to a good home. Thanks to all who sent their well wishes to the adorable, but unexpected, spring surprises. The non-ending line of needy ones are ever present; we are coping, at least for now. But this report needs to be dedicated to a dog that was an ambassador for our rescue effort. She represented our club at the Nationals in Santa Clara in the Rescue Parade, and attended many events and dog shows as a rescue representative.

Many of you know of my Ariel. I would like this to be a small tribute to her life and the many things she taught me. She died in her bed, peacefully, this afternoon.

Ariel came into our program in April, 6 years ago. She had been purchased from a "breeder" for the purpose of being an income generating brood bitch at 9 months of age.

I had no doubts that the unsuspecting person who purchased her knew nothing about Bulldogs but had dollar signs in their eyes. They were actively showing in another breed and had apparently seen the potential for making money in Bulldogs.

She proved to be a medical disaster for them: eye issues, chronic ear and skin infections and orthopedic issues that could have been textbook material. And to top it all off, she didn't have puppies.

Soon she was relegated to their back yard where she spent her days seeking shelter and shade under bushes until the day came when they had enough of the vet bills and chronic unsolvable medical issues and the appointment was made to euthanize her. A "friend" of the owners heard their plan and was very upset by what was to come. She took Ariel in to her home temporarily and called rescue.

I had been at a dog show about a 45-minute drive from where she was being housed. I had had a very good weekend and was only mildly inconvenienced with the out-of-the-way stop on my way home. Thinking this would be a quick stop, I pulled up to the address to see this pathetic but once beautiful girl sitting in an ex-pen under a tree in their front yard. They had no room for her in their house. It was as if her entire world had been reduced to that small ex-pen and she was calmly awaiting her fate. The Good Samaritan who had housed her overnight had a houseful of Min-Pins and obviously could not cope with her. Her medical condition was horrible; her ears were so infected that they stood upright like Frenchie ears with large hematomas; skin in horrible shape, etc. I will spare you further details. I have seen some bad situations over the years, but Ariel caused me to burst into tears. I think I cried most of the way home that night talking all the way home to her in the back of the car, but I promised her that she would never be without warmth or love or care again. And she wasn't. I knew she would never be placeable.

We walked through more medical issues that I can remember: her ear/skin issues were never totally solvable, she eventually had an ear ablation, and lost an eye to cancer. But she graced our house for 6 years and I wouldn't have traded her for the next national winner. She tolerated many puppies with good humor, helped tame our feral cats, and reminded me every day why I love this breed and why to love this breed is to help rescue them.

Rest well, Ariel.

Mary Aiken

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Hangtown Kennel Club of Placerville
May 24
Judge: Dr. Albert P. Bianchi
B Ch. Globe & Anchor Sgt. Iron Mike
Doris & Dave Boyd and Virginia & Mike Hearne

OS/BW/WB Devine-a-Bull Whole Lotta Bling (1 pt.) Kim & Tom Lucier

WD Silverspoons Periwrinkle Patriotic Ways (1 pt.) Michelle & Gino Ippoliti

RWD Lormikes Loveabull Brahma Bull
Loretta & Tom Mikesell

RWB Primetime Life of the Party
Joan & Tracy Storck and Sandra Steenburgen

Kennel Club of California Sierra
May 25
Judge: Ms. Dawn Hansen
B Ch. Walkin Blues Babalu
Suzy & Chris Holleran

BW/WD Majestics Full Throttle McKee (2pts.) Shalisa & Geoffrey Neely (Kim Lucier, Agent)

RWD Walkin Blues Fat Boy Slim
Suzy & Chris Holleran

OS/WB Devine-a-Bull Whole Lotta Bling (2 pts.)
Kim & Tom Lucier

RWB Benchmarks Devine-a-Bull Stella
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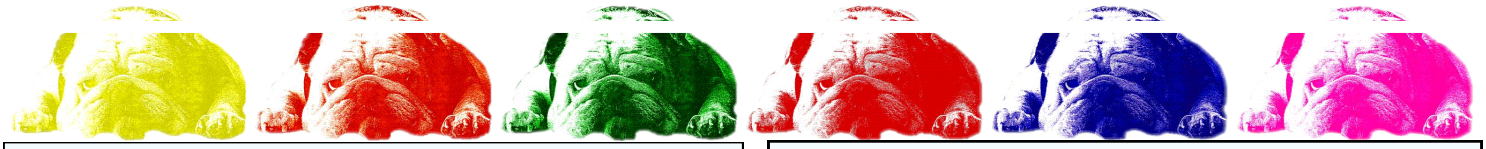

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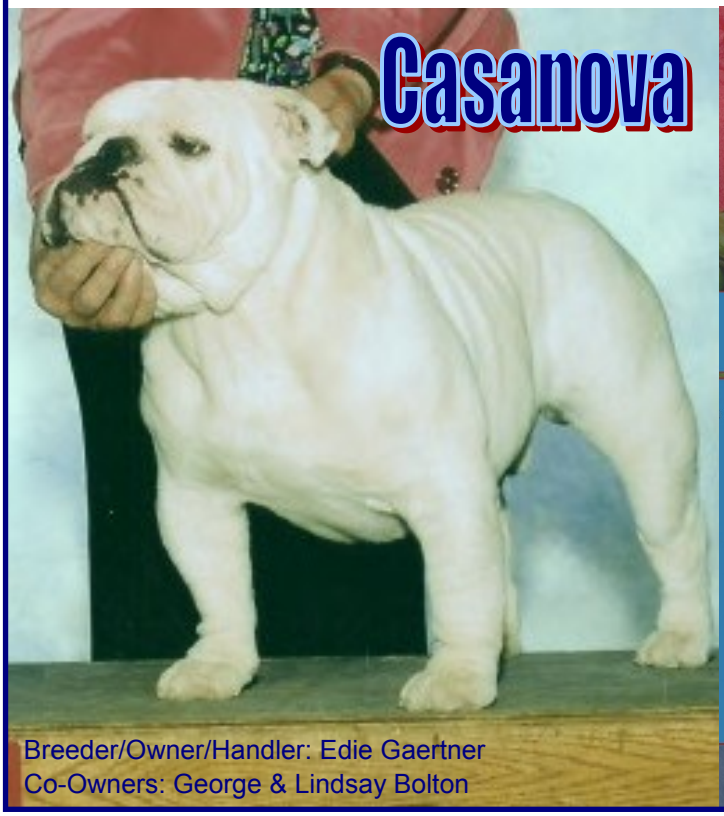

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