



The Nine O'clock Bark

the Newsletter of the
SMOKY MOUNTAINS BULLDOG CLUB

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Happy Mother's Day !

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*The next gathering of the
Smoky Mountains Bulldog Club
Will be Sunday May 4 from noon to 4 pm.
Central Flats and Taps 1204 N. Central St.
A portion of the proceeds will go to our Rescue program
Come and bring a friend
Bullies are Welcome on the Patio
(see pg 4 for directions).*

President's Message



May flowers are blooming, Bulldoggers!

That means allergies for many of us and that includes our Bulldogs! Many Bulldog skin issues start with allergies, either food or environmental. Just recently, we had Kira, our 3-year-old girl, allergy tested after she began losing hair, had irritated eyes and sore spots on her skin. Turns out she is allergic to wool. Well, our house has hardwood floors and every area rug in the house was wool. De-wooling her environment has really helped her out. Rather than give your dog steroids for skin flare-ups, ask your veterinarian about the benefit of an allergy test (blood test) or appointment with a veterinarian dermatologist. It will save you money in the long run to identify the problem and treat it effectively.

It's going to be a bulldog weekend! SMBC has been asked to an event at Mini of Knoxville. The brand mascot is the Bulldog. Anyone who would like to bring their Bullie and help out, please contact Mari DeCuir at 688-2270 or mdecur@utk.edu. Sunday is our Spring picnic. Full details are at <http://smbcarn.org/about/events/> or www.Facebook.com/Smoky Mountains Bulldog Rescue.

Reminder: On Sunday, May 4, we'll be gathering with our Bulldogs on the patio at Central Flats and Taps for a Sunday Funday event to raise money for rescue. Central Flats and Taps will donate proceeds from that day's sales to rescue so the more who attend, the more money we raise. Please help us spread the word. Invite your friends! I look forward to seeing you this weekend!

Bullie Regards,

Ranee

Welcome new rescue Families

Ruby aka Addy

Ruby came into rescue from the shelter in Cleveland, TN. She was spayed, given her vaccinations and began treatment for Demodex. Her picture was posted on our Facebook page and over 2,000 people saw the post! Designated by the shelter as a "senior", we soon learned that she was much younger. She was adopted by Mitch Kiser who was looking for a new Bullie to love. Ruby aka Addy now takes rides in the Hummer and the convertible, snuggles in one of her three doggie beds and fills the empty space in Daddy Mitch's life. **Thank you Mr. Mitch for giving this baby such a great home.**



Buford

SMBC welcomes the Lunsford family! After two years in rescue **Buford** finally has a forever home and a permanent coat of beautiful red fur. Buford was an owner surrender along with two other dogs Opie and Wally whom the family could no longer care for. Of the three, Buford was by far in the poorest condition, he was almost hairless. Foster mom Bonnie Rogers took Buford in, loved and cared for him. After many visits to several vets we eventually discovered that the cause of the hair loss was Demodex. As that was being treated, Paul Lunsford contacted us about adopting Buford. They were willing to take an older dog and give it a loving home. Buford was nine years old but he did not know that and is as frisky as a puppy. Buford is now settled in his new home with Paul and Karen, a grandma, several children and a cat for company. **Thank you Lunsford family for being willing to take an older Bullie.**



Bruno

Bruno is SMBC's miracle dog. He was surrendered to us by a family in Morristown who knew he needed more care than they could give him. He had serious ear infections and his back was covered with nodules and hardened, hairless skin. We began treatment for him with Dr. Hnilica who removed the nodules and prescribed meds and baths. But the real miracle started when foster mom Angie Depriest took Bruno into her care. Angie put Bruno on a special diet of fruits, veggies, and supplements in addition to a grain free dog food. Bruno's infections began to clear up, he had more energy and went with the Depriest's on hikes, frolicked in the snow and napped with the cat. Bruno's coat came back and it glistened with health. He still had a serious ear infection which was the last and most difficult problem to clear up. Finally he was ready for a forever home. A military family from Ft. Campbell fell in love and adopted Bruno. He now enjoys the company of their Bassett, Champ and their son and grandson. **We are so grateful to Angie and cannot**

thank her enough for the love and care she lavished on this very special dog.



This month we received a very generous check from Georgia English Bulldog Rescue, part of the proceeds from the Bully Ball.

THANK YOU GEBR. Your gift will certainly keep us going

2014 Smoky Mountains Bulldog Club Events

Spring Bulldog Picnic in the Park

Sunday April 27, 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. – Admiral Farragut Park, 9950 Northshore Drive

All Bulldogs and their families are welcome. Bring a covered dish and come join us for an afternoon in the park.

Directions: Take I-40 west to Pellissippi Parkway, exit 376, towards Maryville. Travel 5.5 miles and take the Northshore Dr exit #5 heading west. The park will be less than 1 mile on the left.

Sunday Fun day on the Patio for Bulldog Rescue

Sunday May 4, noon - 4 p.m. at Central Flats & Taps, 1204 N. Central Street, Knoxville

Invite your friends and come join us for this special event at Central Flats & Taps. A portion of all restaurant proceeds from noon – 4:00 p.m. will be donated to the Smoky Mountains Bulldog Rescue fund. Dogs are welcome on the patio!

Ask the Vet Roundtable discussion with Dr. Randy Lange, Lange Animal Hospital

June 3 at 7 p.m. Rural/Metro Fire Station 10, 9746 Parkside Drive, Knoxville

“Having a Bulldog can be like owning a 1971 Porsche; he’s always in the shop,” Denny Hathaway, bulldog owner, as quoted in the Wall Street Journal, March 6, 2014. Here’s your opportunity to ask questions, get advice and find solutions for common health issues facing Bulldogs

Backstage at the dog show

Tuesday, July 1, 6:30 p.m. at The Mill at Saw Works Brewing Company, 708 E Depot Ave, Knoxville

You’ve seen the pomp and circumstance at the Westminster Kennel Club Show and the comic side in the movie “Best in Show.” But what does it all mean? Join us to find out! A portion of the proceeds benefit the SMBC Rescue program.

Photo Contest – Visit www.smbcarn.org in July on where to submit your entries. Winners will be announced during the program on Sept. 2. Prizes will be awarded!

Year in Review: Smoky Mountain Bulldog Rescue

Tuesday Aug. 5, 7 p.m. at Village Veterinary Medical Center, 11301 Kingston Pike, Farragut

Nationally recognized leader in Bulldog rescue, SMBC’s own Mari DeCuir will present a review of the program. You’ll also get to meet some of our success stories! Great for anyone who’s interested in fostering or adopting a Bulldog! Everyone is welcome.

Fall Bulldog Picnic in the Park

Sunday Sept. 14, 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. at Admiral Farragut Park, 9950 Northshore Drive

Same details as the Spring Picnic

Bulldog Trivia and Photo Contest

Tuesday Sept. 2 from 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. at The Mill at Saw Works Brewing Company, 708 E Depot Ave, Knoxville

Test your knowledge and learn fun facts about Bulldogs! Prizes will be awarded!

Bully-Fest

Friday Oct. 3, 6:30 p.m. on Market Square

Bullies are welcome! Join your fellow Bulldoggers for First Friday and Oktoberfest fun at Market Square!

Smoky Mountains Bulldog Specialty Shows

Saturday/Sunday Nov. 1 and 2 at the Golden Gloves Arena, Chilhowee Park, Knoxville

You’ve learned dog show basics. Come see the action in person as SMBC hosts dozens of Bulldogs for two days of competition. Also, great shopping at the vendors for holiday gifts! Watch our website for a list of fun activities and hospitality events during these shows.

Ask the Dog Whisperer

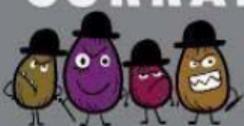
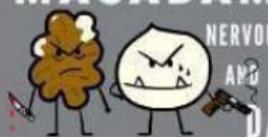
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Did you ever wonder why your Bulldog does those things? Here’s your chance to ask a real life version of Cesar Millan: Dr. Christine Calder from the College of Veterinary Medicine, Mississippi State University! Solutions for behavioral issues is the topic and the answers may surprise you.

SMBC Christmas Party

Sunday, Dec. 7, 5 p.m., at the home of Roman & Alena Havrylyak, 2533 Silver Grass Lane, Knoxville

Bring a Bulldog/dog-related gift (\$15 limit) for the gift exchange and a pot luck dish to share.

<p>ALCOHOL  COMA DEATH INTOXICATION</p>	<p>AVOCADO  CONTAINS PERSIN: VOMITING DIARRHEA</p>	<p>RAISINS CURRANTS  KIDNEY FAILURE</p>	
<p>COOKED BONES  STOMACH LACERATIONS</p>	<p>WALNUTS MACADAMIAS  NERVOUS SYSTEM AND MUSCLE DAMAGE</p>	<p>ONIONS GARLIC  TOO MUCH BLOOD CELL DAMAGE ANEMIA</p>	
<p>DAIRY  TOO MUCH: DIARRHEA</p>	<p><i>The world's</i> MOST DANGEROUS  FOODS FOR DOGS</p>	<p>GRAPES  KIDNEY FAILURE</p>	
<p>MUSHROOMS  SOME VARIETIES: SHOCK DEATH</p>		<p>FATTY FOODS  TOO MUCH: PANCREATITIS</p>	
<p>CAFFEINE  VOMITING DIARRHEA TOXIC TO HEART & NERVOUS SYSTEM</p>		<p>XYLITOL  (GUM, CANDY ETC.) LIVER FAILURE HYPOGLYCEMIA DEATH</p>	<p>CHOCOLATE  TOXIC TO HEART & NERVOUS SYSTEM DEATH</p>
<p>MEDICATIONS  (TYLENOL, ADVIL ETC.) KIDNEY FAILURE GI ULCERS</p>		<p>If you think your dog ate something dangerous, CALL YOUR VET or: ASPCA POISON CONTROL HOTLINE (888) 426-4436 NATIONAL PET POISON HELPLINE (800) 213-6680</p>	
<p><i>illustration by LILI CHIN layout by DESIGN LAB CREATIVE STUDIO</i></p>			

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Directions to Central Flats and Taps
1204 N. Central
From I-275 take the Baxter Ave exit to Central
Turn left on Central
Central Flats and Taps will be on the right just past Three Rivers Market.