



The Nine O'clock Bark

the Newsletter of the
SMOKY MOUNTAINS BULLDOG CLUB

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**2012 DUES
ARE DUE BY
Dec. 31th.**

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The next meeting of the

Smoky Mountains Bulldog Club

*Will be Tuesday November 1 at 7 pm at Fire hall 10
on Parkside Dr. (see pg 4 for directions).*

**November Meeting will be devoted to
finalizing plans for the specialties.**

It's SHOWTIME

**Our Specialties are THIS month—Nov. 4 and 5 at Chilhowee Park !!!
We still need some volunteers to help on the show days:**

- * Judges' transport
- * Trophy table and catalogue sales
- * Sale table in hospitality room
- * Clean-up at the motel
- * Raffle ticket sales

**If you can help call Specialty show chair Joleen 671-0339
Come on down and enjoy the fun, work with fellow club members
and "oh" and "ah" over the Beauti-bullies**

The Slate of Officers for 2012 is:

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10.4.3 Additional nominations may be made at the November meeting by any member in attendance provided that the person so nominated does not decline when their name is proposed, and provided further that if the proposed candidate is not in attendance at this meeting, the proposer shall present to the Secretary a written statement from the proposed candidate signifying willingness to be a candidate. No person may be a candidate for more than one position.



Welcome New Rescue Families

The McEachern Family and Bully.

Bully was rescued from a backyard in MS. His foster mom, Melanie

lavished time and care and love on this boy to bring him back from the brink. He was underweight, high Heartworm positive, had skin, ear and eye problems. Over the course of three months, Melanie bathed him, treated his infected ears and eyes, watched over him after his neutering surgery and kept vigil during the two strenuous heartworm treatments. After the second treatment we felt that he was ready to be adopted. A wonderful family, the McEachern's quickly adopted him. Mr.

McEachern, a retired Marine wrote on his application,. "As a Marine, I protected people and animals throughout my career. I would love to adopt a Bullie and love him as I would my own wife and daughters."



Kelly Wessel and Diesel

Diesel was surrendered to an all breed rescue in North Carolina. When they discovered that he



needed a special surgery that they could not afford they contacted us. Diesel is a great guy, happy and full of fun and mischief. Rescue took care of the palate surgery and he was

initially cared for by Kevin Cook. When his health problems made caring for Diesel difficult Kelly Wessel was ready to take him. Kelly had adopted from us before and had another Bullie, Hallie. So Diesel went into a Bullie-loving home and is learning to get along with his new Bullie "sister."

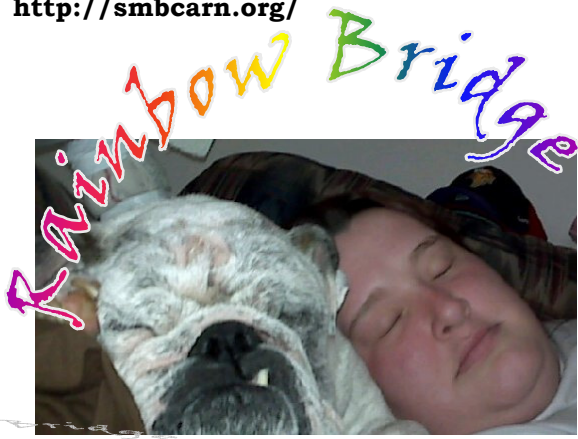


FOSTER HOMES

We still need foster homes for our rescues and we are so grateful to those of you who who responded to the call:

**Josh and Amy Allen, Suzan and Madison Jordan
Lisa Warren, Nancy Snyder and
Melanie Fuller in Memphis**

If you can help call Mari 865-688-2270



Rosanna Banana

From neglect to loving care

Rosie came into rescue from a person who had taken her and her sister from a very bad home. Rosanna had multiple problems the most serious was severe allergies and yeast infections. Amy and Josh were giving her the best of care with daily baths, medications and weekly allergy shots. Her last home was undoubtedly her best.

She was loved, cared for and spoiled. After her passing Amy wrote this tribute to Rosanna:

“My dear Rosie you are greatly missed sweet baby.

I thank everyone who was involved in her rescue. I only had her for a short period of time but that was enough for me to fall head over heels. I will remember the way she would paw at my legs when she wanted attention, or how she would follow us around the house. It feels like I lost her way too soon.

The house is not the same, my Zoe is so sad that her sisser is not here. She was a wonderful girl who got to spend the last six months of her life as royalty. I will miss you Rosie girl I know you are sitting at God’s side pawing at his legs. Thanks again to everyone who helped with my Rosie. She left us on 9-23-2011 at around 10:00 p.m. Thank you Mari for being by side when I received the news that she was no longer with us, you have helped me bunches.

Rosie’s Mommy “



WARNING
PREMISES
PATROLLED AND
PROTECTED BY
THE U.S.S. AXLE

I'm afraid it's going to be the Navy asking if we are aware we have one of their battle ships, The S.S. Axle.

We are prepared to tell them Axle was left on our doorstep by some South American landlocked country. That's our story & we are sticking with it.

Until next time,

Debbie Palmer

As always thanks to Debbie Palmer for updates on Axle’s adventures.

Minutes of the Regular Meeting Oct. 4 2011

Meeting was called to order at 7:10. There was a quorum present. Guests included Atom, BJ 7 Capt.

Approval of Minutes from the last meeting. Minutes of the last meeting were approved.

Secretary's Report. Premium list is on the website with a link to MB-F.

Committees:

Show. Garment bags for trophies are here. Hileah brought the totes that she embroidered with our stitch out logo. They look great and will make very nice raffle items. Joleen and Ranees will be working on the totes and a large Bully Beverage basket. We will finalize all the plans for the show at the November meeting.

Rescue. REALLY NEED FOSTER HOMES. We lost **Rosanna** Sept. 23 to some kind of bloat but not gastric torsion. **Bully** is being fostered by Melanie Fuller in Memphis. He is currently being treated for heartworm. He is posted on the website... **Nigel** is still at Mari's... **Diesel** is coming back to us. Mr. Cook has medical problems and feels he cannot take proper care of him. **PoohBear** was seen by Dr. Hnillica on Sat and was given steroid shots in his ears in hopes that they would open up the canals so that medicine could be more easily administered. He still may need ablation surgery. He is being fostered by Suzan. Bonnie rescued **Tank** from a person that lost his home. He was neutered and brought up to date on his shots. He is being fostered by Lisa Warren and we think she will adopt him. **Howeston** is being fostered by Amy and Josh Allen. **Montgomery**, an owner surrender is being fostered at Mari's. **Rocky** has been adopted by Chrysti Jones and her family. **Winston** who was fostered by John and Amanda Feathers was adopted by Samantha Wallace here in Knoxville. **Pebbles**, an owner surrender was spayed, brought UTD on her shots and had palate surgery at Dr.

Blackford's. She had some difficulty after the surgery but is doing much better. She is being fostered by the Clayman family in Powell and will soon be adopted. Have **Kate** and **Clyde** on a waiting list.

Fundraising Next auction will be first weekend in December.

Finance. No report

Programs. Nov. Show final prep, Dec. meeting Dr. Blackford

Election of New Members. None Unfinished Business. Unfinished business was held until the next meeting because a report from Ranees was needed on several of the items.

New Business

Reminder: Dues are due by Dec. 31th

Meeting was adjourned at 8 pm
Respectfully submitted,

Mari DeCuir, Secretary

Treasurer's Report

At the November 2007 meeting, the Board voted to keep financial information within the membership. Because our newsletters are posted on our website the Board decided that we would no longer post the club financial reports in the newsletter. Any member may request a print copy be mailed to them or an electronic copy be emailed to them by contacting either:

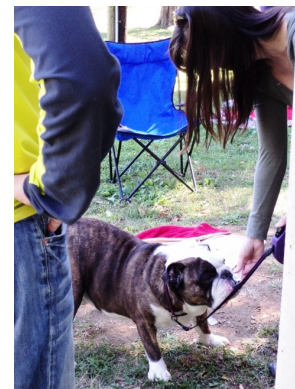
Treasurer Suzan Jordan

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or

Secretary Mari DeCuir

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Directions to Parkside Dr. Firehouse Station 10:

Exit 387 from I75/40: turn south on Cedar Bluff Road. Turn right onto North Peters Road, which becomes Parkside Drive.

The road narrows to 2 lanes. The fire station is the second building on the left after you pass Sherway Road (which is also on the left). Parking is in the back. Enter Training/meeting room from parking lot.