



DIVISION SIX BCA NEWSLETTER



A newsletter published for the members of BCA Division Six from the great states of North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, Iowa, Nebraska, Kansas, and Missouri!

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Did you know?

YOUR Division 6 newsletter took an Honorable Mention at the BCA's 2003 newsletter contest! Keep those submissions coming so we can win next year!!

Congrats to Peggy Breckley (Division III) for their winning division newsletter. VERY NICE!

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"Every dog should have a man of his own. There is nothing like a well-behaved person around the house to spread the dog's blanket for him or bring him his supper when he comes home dog tired at night." --Corey Ford, The Greatest Dog Stories Ever Told



Meeting Minutes



Division VI Meeting Mason City, Iowa 10/11/2003

Vice President Linda Shelburg called the meeting to order.

Roll Call: Marilyn Burdick: Bob Cocks: Jo Hanson: Dean Dickey: Russ Schuveiller: Rita Guthmiller: Linda Shelburg: Kym Thew

Treasurers Report: Approved as submitted. Bob also added that he would like to have the new treasurer elect open a checking account in his area and have two signatures as authorized signers, President elect and Treasurer elect. It would be helpful to have this done by the first of the year so that the transactions can take place through the new bank when the membership year begins. The money market funds should be turned over within the year of renewal too.

Secretaries Report: Approved as submitted

Old Business: Jo returned the \$400.00 check to Heart of America Bulldog Club. Splitting the profits from a Div Show was discussed. It was generally agreed that any profit or loss from a Div Show should remain with the host club as has been done for the last several years. Each club can decide on the use of the funds. Jo received a letter from HABC saying they would use the money for their rescue efforts. A motion by Bob to have each club retain any profit from the Div show they host and use it within their club as they see fit. The motion, seconded by Kym, carried.

Div web site: Jo thought it would be nice if we offered to let Div members have their link on the Div web site. After much discussion, a motion by Rita, seconded by Kym, to have Div VI members pay \$2.00 if they wish to have their link on the Div web site. Fees are to be sent to Karen Zimny.

Dates for the Div meetings for 2004 were set: February, St Louis; April, Heart of America, September Bulldog Club Of Central Iowa,, and October Saint Paul Minneapolis Bulldog Club In Mason City Iowa , For 2005: February, St. Louis; May, Saint Paul/Mpls; September, Iowa; October, Heart of America.

Hosts for Division Shows are as follows: 2004, Iowa; 2005, Minnesota; 2006, St. Louis; 2007, Heart of America.

Jo asked to destroy the last election ballots. A motion, made by Kym and seconded by Dean, to destroy old election ballots carried.

New Business: Michael Rathje reported that the Texhoma Bulldog Club's trailer containing all their show equipment was stolen at their show recently. Mike said they are a small club and had little money to replace all they lost and suggested our Division might want to help a fellow club get started again. Russ made a motion to give the Texhoma club a gift of \$350.00. The motion, seconded by Jo, carried.

Jo asked Bob to get more BCA applications as we are losing potential members. Bob said he would get them from Link.

Election results: President, Linda Shelburg; Vice President, Russ Schuveiller; Secretary, Jo Hanson; Treasurer, Michael Rathje. Governors: Bob Cocks, Dean Dickey, Rick Hart, Randy Miller, Kym Thew. Counselors: Wayne Brower, Marilyn Burdick, Patsy Hart, Darlene Stuedemann.

Bob moved to have the Board authorize the Treasurer Elect to open a bank account with his local bank with the Treasurer and President Elect as authorized signers and to have the paper work done before January 1, 2004, for a smooth transition. The motion, seconded by Russ, carried.

There being no further business to discuss, a motion by Bob, seconded by Dean, to adjourn carried.

Submitted by Jo Hanson, Secretary

Brag!

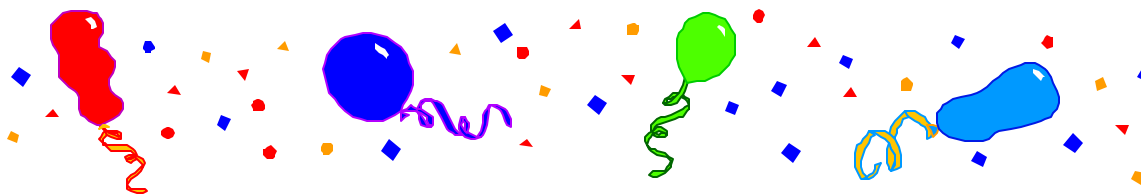
We'll take a brag about anything! We ask a donation for each brag. Brag about children, grandchildren, and of course, DOGS! \$1 per line, minimum 2 lines (100 characters/line). Send check made out to BCA Division VI to Karen Zimny, 9106 Wilton Bridge Rd, Waseca, MN 56093

Northwood Bulldogs is pleased to announce their third champion! "Northwood's Head Honcho" completed his championship by going Winners Dog and Best of Winners for his third major in Mason City, Iowa on October 11th under Robert Berndt. Honcho finished at 20 months of age. Congratulations Big Mug, we are proud of you! Aaron, Tricia and Benjamin

Bullyful's Say Good-Nite Gracee went Winner's Bitch, Best of Winners and Best of Opposite at the Granite City Kennel Club Show on Sat. December 6th. Jamie, Kym and MiMi are very proud. Gracee is 1 point away from being our first homebred Champion !

Michael & Patti Rathje have a new champion in Ch. MossRose Blanchefleur. "Flower" finished at the Bulldog Club of Central Iowa specialty show for her third specialty major (5pt 4 pt and 3pt). In addition, Flower had two 5 point specialty reserves and two 5 point all-breed reserves. You can see Flower at Michael & Patti's website: www.admirabullbulldogs.com

Michael & Patti Rathje have a new puppy in the ring, ADMIRABULLs AMI. Ami debuted at the 2003 BCA Nationals by receiving placements in the large competitive 6-9 month class. In her first two all breed shows, Ami got reserve both days. Michael & Patti are very excited about showing Ami in 2004, primarily at specialty shows. You can see Ami at Michael & Patti's website: www.admirabullbulldogs.com



The Wisdom of a Child

This is about a 10 yr old dog ("Belker") who had cancer.

The vet who wrote this story told of going to the family's home to put the dog to sleep and out of its misery in its own home. The parents thought their 4 yr old son (Shane) should witness the experience to help get closure on the family pet's death. After the euthanasia procedure, the vet wrote the following: "We sat together for a while after Belker's death wondering aloud about the sad fact that animal lives are shorter than human lives. Shane, who had been listening quietly, piped up...'I know why'. Startled, we all turned to him. What came out of his mouth next stunned me. I had never heard a more comforting explanation.

He said, 'Everybody is born so they can learn how to live a good life - like loving everybody and being nice, right?

Well, animals already know how to do that, so they don't have to stay as long."

---Author Unknown

My Dear Human,

These things have been bugging me for some time. I just needed to let you know. Maybe with understanding we can get along better.

Love you anyway,

Your Dog

1. Blaming your farts on me ... not funny ... not funny at all.
 2. Yelling at me for barking ... I AM A DOG!
 3. How you naively believe that the stupid cat isn't all over everything while you're gone. Have you noticed that your toothbrush tastes a little like cat spit?
 4. Taking me for a walk, then not letting me check stuff out. Exactly whose walk is this anyway?
 5. Any trick that involves balancing food on my nose... stop it.
 6. Yelling at me for rubbing my bum on your carpet. Why'd you buy carpet?
 7. Getting upset when I sniff the crotches of your guests. Sorry, but I haven't quite mastered that firm handshake thing yet.
 8. How you act disgusted when I lick myself. Look, we both know the truth, you're just jealous.
 9. Dog sweaters. Hello ... have you noticed the FUR?
 10. Any haircut that involves bows or ribbons. Now you know why we chew your stuff up when you're not home.
 11. When you pick up the poop in the yard. Do you realize how far behind schedule that puts me?
 12. Taking me to the vet for "the big snip," then acting surprised when I freak out every time we go back.
 13. The sleight of hand, fake-fetch-throw. You fooled a dog! What a proud moment for the top of the food chain.
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Dear Dogs,

When I say to move, it means go someplace else, not switch positions with each other so there are still two dogs in the way.

The dishes with the paw print are yours and contain your food. The other dishes are mine and contain my food. Please note, placing a pawprint in the middle of my plate of food does not stake a claim for it becoming your food and dish, nor do I find that aesthetically pleasing in the slightest.

The stairway was not designed by Nascar and is not a racetrack. Beating me to the bottom is not the object. Tripping me doesn't help, because I fall faster than you can run.

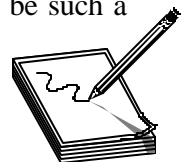
I can not buy anything bigger than a king size bed. I am very sorry about this. Do not think I will continue to sleep on the couch to ensure your comfort. Look at videos of dogs sleeping, they can actually curl up in a ball. It is not necessary to sleep perpendicular to each other stretched out to the fullest extent possible. I also know that sticking tails straight out and having tongues hanging out the other end to maximize space used is nothing but doggy sarcasm.

When I am playing the pinball machine, jumping up and trying to grab the ball through the glass is not helpful. Barking at me because I'm not helping you achieve your goal does not win you any extra brownie points.

My compact discs are not miniature frisbees. For the last time, there is not a secret exit from the bathroom. If by some miracle I beat you there and manage to get the door shut, it is not necessary to claw, whine, try to turn the knob, or get your paw under the edge and try to pull the door open. I must exit through the same door I entered. In addition, I have been using bathrooms for years, canine attendance is not mandatory.

The proper order is kiss me, then go smell other dogs butts. I can not stress this enough. It would be such a simple change for you guys to make.

Sincerely,
Your Owner



Looking For a Volunteer or Two!

Please let me know if you'd be willing to help with the newsletter. One thing I need that is time consuming, but easy, is to compile a list of shows in the Division 6 area. I'm also looking for someone to write an article, once, twice, every quarter, whatever you want! Write about something you know! We all have unique knowledge other Bulldoggers would love to hear.

Karen



Got \$2? You can have a link on the division 6 BCA website. For a whole year!

Anyone interested in having their web link from the Division web page may do so for the cost of \$2.00 per year. Send check to Division VI at Karen Zimny 9106 Wilton Bridge Road Waseca MN 56093 and your information to Dena Gustaf (maraul@frontiernet.net)



2004

**BACK TO BACK SPECIALTIES!!!!
LABOR DAY WEEKEND**

SEPTEMBER 2nd and 3rd

With the Des Moines Kennel Club All Breed shows on the 4th and 5th. Won't you join us next year at the Four Points Sheraton, Des Moines, Iowa, for the Division VI and BCCI Specialties?



Bulldog Club of Central Iowa

ROOM RATES

Standard or King \$ 64.00

Junior King Suite \$ 84.00

Ground floor rooms available -reserve early!

Be sure to mention Bulldog Club of Central Iowa for special room rate.

SURVEY SAYS...

The following survey was conducted on Bulldogsworld.com during the last part of June and first half of July 2003. Breeders we're asked the following questions: There was 284 replies to the survey, most were BCA members. The averages are posted below, along with the extremes both high and low in each question. Thank you to everyone who replied. Webmaster of Bulldogsworld.com

- 1-What is the youngest age in months you would breed a bitch- Average: 18 months, extremes 14 month and 30 months
- 2-What is the oldest you would breed in a healthy Bulldog- Average 5 years, extremes 4 years and 7 years- (Bitch) The stud was 1 to 8 years. Average 6 years
- 3- What is the average cost of a planned c-section at your vets- Average 500.00 extremes 205.00 and 1500.00
- 4- What State do you live in- all states had replies - except 2 states.
- 5-how many females do you own- Average was 3, extremes was 0 and 14
- 6- how many males- Average was 2, extremes was 0 and 5
- 7- how many puppies did you have last year- Average was 7, extremes was 0 and 29, (most had 2 litters).
- 8- what do you sell a pet bulldog for- Average was 1500.00, extremes was 800.00 and 2500.00
- 9- what do you sell a show bulldog puppy for- Average was 2000.00, extremes was 1500.00 and 3500.00
- 10-What do you charge for stud service (not shipping) local price- Average was 500.00 extremes was 300.00 and 1500.00, note 1 puppy back was also used.
- 10b-Do you sell pets on limited registration- 40% said yes, 45% said no, 15% noted it depends on who is buying it.
- 11- how many of your dogs listed above are champions- Average answer was 3
- 12- how many of the non champs do you show- Average answer was 2
- 13- would you use a non champion for stud- Average answer was 78% said yes and 14% said no, 8% said it would depend on the situation.
- 14-what health problems is in your dogs if any- Many variations, most common reported was cherry eye and minor skin irritations/conditions followed by Entropion.

- 15- how long have you been a breeder-
Average was 10 years, extremes was 2 years and 41 years
- 16- what is most important to you when breeding-
90% said health and confirmation, 10% was other things
- 17-Do you feel its ethical to sell a dog with a full litter back required-
I was proud to see 99% say NO it is not ethical to do that. 1% said yes
- 18-do you belong to the BCA now in good standing-
92% said yes and 8% no
- 19- Do you use any registry besides AKC-
99 % said AKC only.
- 20- if yes, why and which one-
The few others that did not use AKC, was Canada Kennel club and one that used NKC.
- 21-what do you feel is the biggest problem in the breed today-
By far careless breeding, puppy mills, using dogs that are not even near the standard, breeding dogs that have serious faults, no top lines and round heads, long legs and long noses. Those breeding just for money with no regards to health and confirmation. Brokers of import puppies, and Back yard breeders was among some of the more popular things said.
- 22-Your name-email address (completely optional) -
90% provided a email and/or name.

June-July 2003 survey for breeders only from www.BulldogsWorld.com

ELEVEN FAVORS A DOG DESIRES

- 1) My life lasts between 10 and 15 years. Every separation from you means suffering for me.
- 2) Think about this before you decide whether or not to take me.
- 3) Give me time to understand what you are asking from me.
- 4) Install confidence in me -I thrive on it!
- 5) Don't be angry with me for long, and don't lock me up for punishment! You have your work, your pleasure, your job (I have only you).
- 6) Talk often to me!! Even if I don't understand the words, I do understand the tone of your voice.
- 7) Know that, no matter how I'm treated, I shall never forget it.
- 8) Keep in mind, before you hit me, that my jaws could crush the knuckles of your hand with ease, but I don't make use of them.
- 9) Before you scold me when working with me, consider: perhaps I am uncomfortable from digesting my last meal!! Perhaps I was in the sun for too long; or perhaps I have a worn-out heart.
- 10) Take care of me when I'm old, you too are going to be old one day.
- 11) Be with me when my going is rough. Everything is easier for me when you are beside me.

A Dog's Dictionary & Guide

Leash: A strap that attaches to your collar, enabling you to lead your owner where you want him or her to go. Make sure that you are waiting patiently with leash in mouth when your owner comes home from work. This immediatly makes your owner feel guilty and the walk is lengthened by a good 10 minutes.

Dog Bed: Any soft, clean surface, such as a white bedspread, newly upholstered couch or the dry cleaning that was just picked up.

Drool: What you do when your owners have food and you don't. To do this properly, sit as close as you can, look sad and let the drool fall to the floor or better yet on their laps.

Sniff: A social custom to use when you greet other dogs or those people that sometimes smell like dogs.

Garbage Can: A container your neighbors put out weekly to test your ingenuity. Stand on your hind legs and push the lid off with your nose. If you do it right, you are rewarded with food wrappers to shred, beef bones to consume, moldy crusts of bread and sometimes even an old Nike.

Bicycles: Two-wheeled exercise machines, invented for dogs to control body fat. To get maximum aerobic benefit, you must hide behind a bush and dash out, bark loudly and run alongside for a few yards. The rider swerves and falls into the bushes, and you prance away.

Thunder: A signal the world is coming to an end. Humans remain amazingly calm during thunderstorms, so it is necessary to warn them of the danger by trembling, panting, rolling your eyes wildly and following at their heels.

Wastebasket: A dog toy filled with paper, envelopes and old candy wrappers. When you get bored, turn over the basket and strew the papers all over the house. This is particularly fun to do when there are guests for dinner and you prance around with the contents of that very special bathroom wastepaper basket!

Sofas: Are to dogs like napkins are to people. After eating it is polite to run up and down the front of the sofa and wipe your whiskers clean. If there are people sitting on the couch just include them as a handy wipe.

Bath: A process owners use to clean you, drench the floor, walls and themselves. You can help by shaking vigorously and frequently.

Lean: Every good dog's response to the command "sit," especially if your owner is dressed for an evening out. Incredibly effective before black-tie events.



Love: A feeling of intense affection, given freely and without restriction, shared by you and your owner. Show it by wagging your tail

Ask Abbie

This column contains tips about bullies. Please submit questions with/without answers and we'll see if we can get the "long-time" bulldog owners to answer them!

Dear Abbie,

I heard Mom and Dad talking about how smart I was. I was pretty proud until my human brother started wondering if it was all in their imagination or if I really was "thinking." How could he think that about me??

Sincerely,
Einstein the Bulldog

Dear Einstein,

I think you'll find Mrs. Studemann's article proof that most humans believe we DO reason.

Best Barks to You,

Abbie

Can Dogs Reason? by Darlene Studemann

A few months ago a group of us were sitting around discussing bulldogs. Is there anything else interesting to talk about? I was telling about how smart I think my first champion was. An example was about her last litter of one puppy. Champion Joyful Ginger Beauty was loose in my grooming-office room and her puppy was in an incubator that was on a three-foot stand with wheels. Ginger rolled the incubator into a corner, so it wouldn't roll away from her, then pushed a lazy boy chair over beside the incubator, climbed up the chair, lifted up the lid of the incubator and climbed in with her puppy. I was amazed. Surely she wouldn't be able to do that again. I put everything back in its place. She did it again. I should have taken a picture of it. There really wasn't enough room for big Ginger and her puppy too I figured that if she could avoid sitting on her puppy in that cramped area, she could have her in her whelping box all the time. Ginger was a great Mom. The puppy grew up to be Champion Beauties Gingerella.

Karen Zimny asked if I could do an article on "if dogs can reason or not?" A number of bulldog people responded as follows.

I never had a doubt that Maggie could reason.... One of her beds was a wooden 'day bed' in our family room. It was a couple inches off the ground. If her favorite toy got stuck under the bed and she couldn't use her paw to reach it - she would grab the front of the bed in her mouth and pull until it was off her toy. She was one to take action and not whine about a situation unless it was absolutely out of her control.....

Carolyn Goede

Our Spike likes to sit in the corner of a red leather sofa in our kitchen. Of course, that is the spot where my husband and I like to sit to read. If one of us is in that spot-and Spike wants to be there—he will go to the back door, like he needs to go out. Ray or I will get up to let him out, and he'll wheel around and jump up onto the just-vacated spot on the sofa. Yeah, we continue to go along with the game, even though we know what he's up to... How can we not indulge an 11-year old bulldog?

Maria Gallagher

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We think dogs can reason because Rumford will get a toy so he can trick Wadsworth to play with it and then he goes to the person to get the attention he wanted in the first place.

Gloria Kromminga

In the 1970's the late Aggie McGrath was showing her Stormy Daz Ginger, UD in the obedience Open class. It was a terribly hot day at the Minnetonka KC show. On the long sit and down, Ginger got up and went and sat in the shade under the judge's table. The judge remarked that although the other dogs qualified, Ginger was the smartest dog of all. Ginger was the third UD Bulldog in the history of the breed.

Lois Tisdell

My Lhasa Apso, Bungie, was not supposed to go to my parent's neighbor's house when I was there visiting on weekends. One day Mom and I watched him slowly meander across the road toward the barn. He kept looking back over his shoulder at the house and I knew he was waiting for someone to call him back. When we didn't stop him, he went through the barn and out into the barnyard where he thought he couldn't be seen. With one quick look back at the house, he ran as fast as he could down the hill to the neighbor's. He had figured out a way to get there unnoticed – or so he thought.

Linda Shelburg

When another dog was in the house and had a special toy or treat, Muggs would run to the door barking as if someone were approaching. When the other dog dropped the desired object to come over to the door to see who was there, Muggs would run over and take possession of it. Of course, there was nobody at the door, it was a ruse to get the other dog's attention away from whatever she had that Muggs wanted.

Ceil Wallace

Chubber has his water bowl on the patio and I wipe off his face when he has been drinking. Now he takes a drink, picks up his towel and brings it to me to wipe his mouth.

Sharon Dietz

Some years ago, a group of local club members had gone to another member's home for a quick visit and some dessert after getting together at a nearby restaurant. There were about 10 of us who arrived at approximately the same time. We were ushered into the living room, while Lois started to get some pie onto plates. She told us that they had finally trained their dog, Carmel not to go into the living room and she requested that we not call the dog into the room. Carmel was instructed to stay on her rug in the kitchen. Lois had to leave the kitchen briefly and headed into the basement.

As soon as Lois was out of sight, Carmel made a quick dash around the room and stopped at each person saying a quick "hello" and receiving only a brief pat from each person before heading onto the next. She tried to greet as many people as possible while Lois was otherwise occupied. I happened to be towards the end of the room sitting on the couch behind a coffee table. She was heading towards me when she heard Lois coming back upstairs. Carmel had to skip greeting me and dashed back to her rug just as Lois entered the room. Of course, everyone laughed at Carmel's charming act of disobedience. But this is not the part that I find the most illustrative of Carmel's powers of reasoning.

A few minutes after this occurred, one more couple arrived. As soon as her owners seemed adequately preoccupied, Carmel made one more mad dash into the room. However this time she went only to the two people who were previously not in the room and myself. She once again made each "hello" a brief one and then tore back to the kitchen amid a roar of laughter from everyone there, including her owners. It appeared that Carmel was fully aware that entering that room was not what her owners wanted her to do. But she considered her "job" of saying hello to guest was more important than the "command" given to her by her owner to not enter the room. Perhaps she felt that in this instance, "Bulldog knows best."

Rita Guthmiller

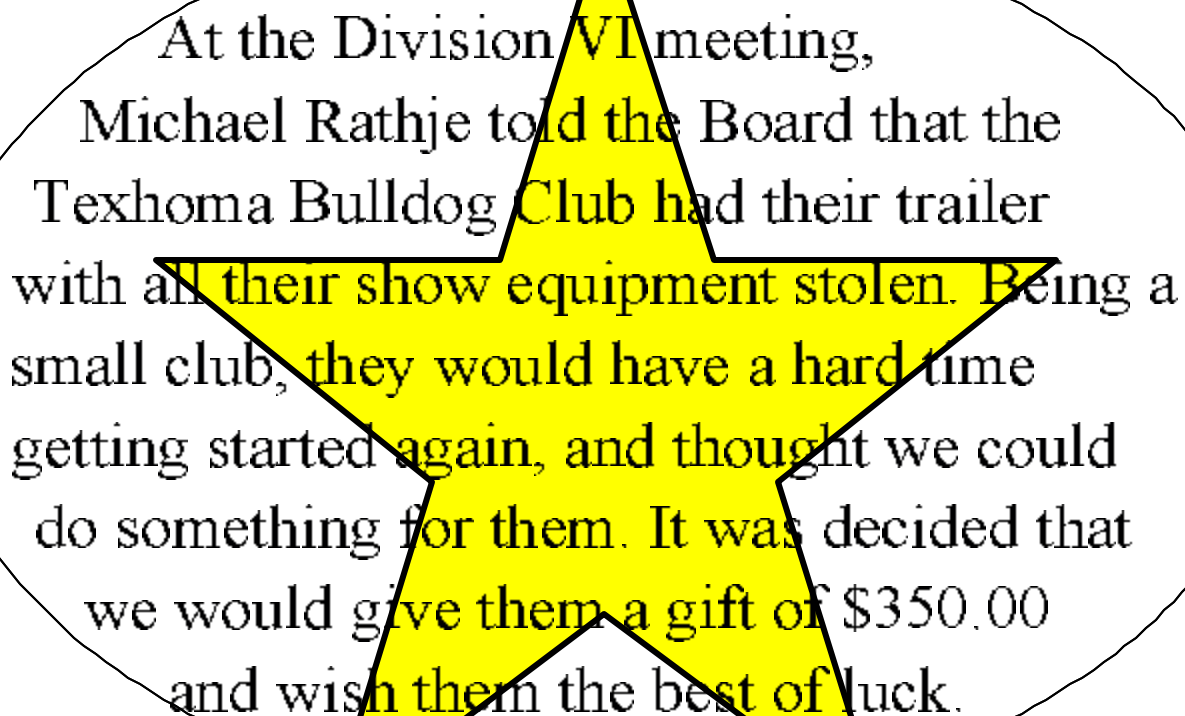
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I think that for a dog to be intelligent enough to figure things out they need to be with the family all the time. Talked to, trained and paid attention to. They are just like kids. If a child is ignored, put in a pen, like a dog in a kennel, they would not be able to figure things out either. Ginger was a house dog when this incident took place. She could figure things out. There wasn't a door in the house that she couldn't open whenever she wanted to. Her dam was a house dog too, but she didn't think for herself. Some dogs are just smarter than others, just like people are.

You will notice that all the dogs reported on were house dogs. They were a part of the family, being taught, talked to and disciplined just as a way of everyday life. This type of training gives the dog a chance to display its intelligence.

I'll close with another episode in Ginger's life. We live in the country, on four corners of graveled roads. Back in the 70's, Ginger's time in life, whenever anyone drove in the ditch, they just walked to the nearest farm for help. Quite often we were it. Walter would put a heavy collar with a heavy chain on Ginger and put her in the middle, with the stranded driver on one side and him driving on the other. Ginger would lounge and growl as Walter held the chain when he drove the person home. Walter said Ginger sobered up more drunks that way. She knew exactly what was expected of her, with no training for the job. Walter was sure that if he ever needed her she would be there for him. Times have changed; we would never take a stranger into our vehicle now.

Bulldogs are wonderful and more sensitive and intelligent than most people are willing to believe.
Darlene Stuedemann



At the Division VI meeting,
Michael Rathje told the Board that the
Texhoma Bulldog Club had their trailer
with all their show equipment stolen. Being a
small club, they would have a hard time
getting started again, and thought we could
do something for them. It was decided that
we would give them a gift of \$350.00
and wish them the best of luck.

Club Corner

St. Paul-Minneapolis Bulldog Club

The Saint Paul - Minneapolis Bulldog Club is getting ready for our annual holiday party on January 10th at Dangerfield's restaurant in Shakopee, MN. Plans are underway for our annual Specialty Show to be held May 15 and 16 at the Best Western Maplewood in Maplewood, Minnesota. Make your plans to join us for this fun event. The SPMBBC will be participating in the 2004 Pet Expo in Minneapolis on February 28 & 29. We are looking forward to sharing this wonderful breed with the community. All of us at the St. Paul - Minneapolis Bulldog Club wish you all of our bulldog friends a happy and healthy new year.

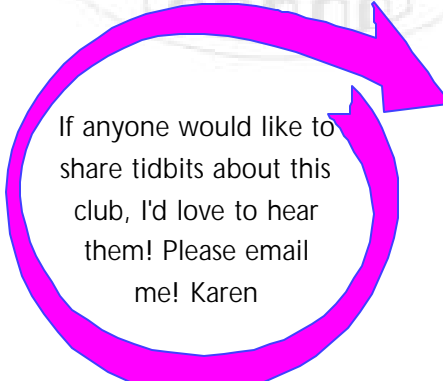
Respectfully submitted by Jackie Bergeron, club secretary

Submitted by Jackie Bergeron

Bulldog Club of Central Iowa

BCCI will have our Holiday party on January 4 at the home of Steve Sutton and Natalie Graziano-Davis, new members of the Club. We will be electing 2004 officers.

From our Club to yours, the very best wishes and good health to all in the coming year.



If anyone would like to share tidbits about this club, I'd love to hear them! Please email me! Karen

Heart of America
No report submitted.

Bulldog Club of
Greater St. Louis
No report submitted.

Gracee's Goodies

Gracee submits goodie recipes, yes, human ones, too with a little help from her friends.

Any submissions are welcome!

"Good Bully" Cookies

1/2 cup powdered milk
1 egg, well beaten
2 1/2 cups flour
1/2 tsp. garlic salt
1 1/2 teaspoon brown sugar
1/2 cup water
6 tablespoon gravy
Baby food meat

Mix all ingredients well. Roll out on flour board about 1/2" thick. Cut out cookie shapes with floured cutters. Bake 350 for 25-30 minutes. Cool, maybe leaving them in the oven to dry. Cookies should be hard. Store in airtight container.

Upcoming Shows

Iowa:

Jan. 17th Central Iowa KC - Linda Sigle - Onofrio - Closes 12/31
 Jan. 18th Central Iowa KC - Wick Carter - Onofrio - Closes 12/31
 Feb. 7th Southeastern Iowa KC - Kenneth Buxton - Onofrio - Closes 1/21
 Feb. 8th Southeastern Iowa KC - Robert Sturm - Onofrio - Closes 1/21
 Feb. 22nd Keomah KC - Edd Bivin - Onofrio - Closes 2/4
 Mar. 20th Dubuque KC - Betsey Leedy - Onofrio - Closes 3/3
 Mar. 21st Dubuque KC - Fred Bassett - Onofrio - Closes 3/3
 Mar. 27th Clinton Iowa KC - Robert Indiglia - Onofrio - Closes 3/10
 Mar. 28th Clinton Iowa KC - Ann Cookson - Onofrio - Closes 3/10
 Apr. 17th Mason City KC - Robert Sharp - Onofrio - Closes 3/31
 Apr. 18th Waterloo KC - Wick Carter - Onofrio - Closes 3/31
 Apr. 24th Heart of Iowa KC - Eugene Blake - Onofrio - Closes 4/7
 Apr. 25th Heart of Iowa KC - Florise Hogan - Onofrio - Closes 4/7

Kansas:

Mar. 6th Garden City KC - William Cunningham - Onofrio - Closes 2/18
 Mar. 7th Garden City KC - Carolyn Thomas - Onofrio - Closes 2/18
 Apr. 2nd Hutchinson KC - Kenneth Buxton - Onofrio - Closes 3/17
 Apr. 3rd Salina KC - Robert Forsyth - Onofrio - Closes 3/17
 Apr. 4th Wichita KC - Mrs. James Edward Clark - Onofrio - Closes 3/17
 May 8th Greater Emporia KC - Alane Gomez - Onofrio - Closes 4/21
 May 9th Greater Emporia KC - Anna Wanner - Onofrio - Closes 4/21

Minnesota:

Jan. 3rd Land O' Lakes KC - Sharon Krogh - Onofrio - Closed
 Jan. 4th Land O' Lakes KC - Sandra Goose Allen - Onofrio - Closed
 Apr. 3rd MN River Valley KC - David Krogh - Onofrio - Closes 3/17
 Apr. 4th MN River Valley KC - Jacqueline Stacy - Onofrio - Closes 3/17
May 15th SPMBC Bulldog Club - Dale Flippin - Closes 4/28
May 16th SPMBC Bulldog Club - Paula Flippin - Closes 4/28 (order may be reversed)
 May 22nd Key City KC - Joseph Gregory - Onofrio - Closes 5/5
 May 23rd Key City KC - Denny Kodner - Onofrio - Closes 5/5

Missouri

Jan. 25th St. Charles MO. KC - Roger Hartinger - Onofrio - Closes 1/7
 Jan. 26th St. Charles MO. KC - Robert Forsyth - Onofrio - Closes 1/7
 Jan. 31st St. Joseph KC - Carl Gomes - Onofrio - Closes 1/14
 Feb. 1st St. Joseph KC - Elaine Ann Lindhorst - Closes 1/14
Feb. 21st Bulldog Club of Greater St. Louis - Lillian Tiffany - 2/4
Feb. 22nd Bulldog Club of Greater St. Louis - Arthur Ritter - 2/4
 Mar. 6th Columbia Missouri KC - Karan Kilgus - Onofrio - Closes 2/18
 Mar. 7th Columbia Missouri KC - Elaine Ann Lindhorst - Closes 2/18
Apr. 17th Heart of America Bulldog Club - Robert Rawlinson - 3/31
Apr. 18th Heart of America Bulldog Club - Nancy Paul - 3/31
 Apr. 30th Jefferson County KC - Robert Sturm - Onofrio - Closes 4/14
 May 2nd Spirit of the Heartland KC - Dawn Hansen - Onofrio - Closes 4/14

Nebraska:

Mar. 27th Scottsbluff KC - Delores Maltz - Onofrio - Closes 3/10
Mar. 28th Scottsbluff KC - Alane Gomez - Onofrio - Closes 3/10
Apr. 4th Seward County KC - Richard Chashoudian - Onofrio - Closes 4/7
Apr. 5th Seward County KC - Barbara Dempsey Alderman - Onofrio - 4/7

North Dakota:

May 29th West Fargo, ND - Gary A. Dunlop - Onofrio - Closes 5/12
May 30th West Fargo, ND - Christine Cameron - Onofrio - Closes 5/12
May 31st West Fargo, ND - Not available - Onofrio - Closes 5/12

South Dakota:

Jun 26th Vermillion, SD - Mr. Joe Tacker - Onofrio - Closes 6/9
Jun 27th Vermillion, SD - Not available - Onofrio - Closes 6/9

*ND and SD submitted by the editor
according to www.akc.org*

Wisconsin:

Jan. 18th Wisconsin KC - Arlene Benko - Roy Jones - Closes 12/31
Feb. 29th Cudahy KC - Florise Hogan - Roy Jones - Closes 2/11
Apr. 24th Packerland KC - Luc Boileau - Roy Jones - Closes 4/7
Apr. 25th Sheboygan KC - Gerard Penta - Onofrio - Closes 4/7
Apr. 30th Badger KC - Peggy Hogg - Roy Jones - Closes 4/14
May 1st Janesville-Beloit KC - Karan Kilgus - Roy Jones - Closes 4/14
May 2nd Badger KC - Peggy Dillard Carr - Roy Jones - Closes 4/14
May 15th Oshkosh KC - Sandra Goose Allen - Roy Jones - Closes 4/28
May 16th Winnegamie KC - Peggy Haas - Roy Jones - Closes 4/28
May 22nd Wisconsin Rapids KC - Everett Dean - Onofrio - Closes 5/5
May 23rd Wisconsin Rapids KC - Martha Olmos Ollivier - Onofrio - 5/5



Frosty, The Snowdog

Who's Who in Division VI

An interview with Marilyn Burdick
By Michael & Patti Rathje

The Bulldogger has the "Who's Who in Bulldogs" article. Starting with this issue of the Division VI Newsletter, a new article about "Who's Who in Division VI" begins. Look for many future articles on our well known members and members that are leaders within the Division.

Marilyn Burdick got her first bulldog in 1973 from an old Dutch couple in Pella, Iowa. They had been breeding bulldogs for years. The first bulldog shown with Marilyn's kennelname, Pudgybull, came in the late 70's. He was out of Goober, bred to Marilyn's Dutch bulldog. Marilyn's first litter was a litter of one. Thanks to an early contact with Maxine Krengel, she drove all the way to the Milwaukee puppy match to enter her for the litter award. We (she) won, since she was the only litter entered. Marilyn said, "Was that ribbon ever beautiful!"

Marilyn has been active both at the local club level, the Division level and the National level. She has served as Treasurer and Board Member of the Bulldog Club of Central Iowa. She has been a Councilor for Division VI for a number of years. Marilyn was the BCA National Treasurer from 1992-93.

When asked who she thought was best bulldog? best show bulldog? best bitch? (were they from Div VI?), Marilyn responded by saying, "The best dog to come from the last half of the twentieth century was, in my opinion, Marinebull's All the Way (Goober), bred by Frank and Brenda Cox and owned by Karl and Joyce Dingman. During this time and in his history, he produced more champions than any other and had more BIS than any other bulldog...Best bitch...well, American Pie and one that Tom Costello bred, who's name, I can't remember in this moment. Both of them from Goober. The Goober breedings produced names we know today: Titus, Amos, Wobbie, Obadiah. A very important imprint from all these dogs, creating a line still very important in the Midwest and beyond."

Marilyn had early mentors, and she still considers them mentors today. Her mentors are Karl and Joyce Dingman. "I can remember Karl saying something like you can love a good dog just as well as a mediocre one, or something like that. Message there was to pick the best one you can and love that one."

Asked how the Division has changed since she started in Bulldogs, Marilyn replied, "Has it changed: not much in terms of solidarity of purpose. Educate, educate, educate. We've wrestled with the puppy mill question, worthiness of members and so forth. Still we come up with our purpose which is to inform and educate the members. Most of this is done informally, but within the framework of the division and BCA. We continue to be mindful of our relationship within the BCA realm and want to work within the guidelines. The division is becoming aware and active with the great concern of Rescue, as more bad breedings result in this phenomena of dogs needing rescue and care." Marilyn also said, "I want to comment that I think we have held the line when it comes to showing our own dogs. Most breeds have succumbed to professional handlers. We have held the torch high that we love to show our own dogs. I've seen pants rip and high heels fly, but we're still in there showing what we have produced ourselves. Let's keep that tradition alive!"

Thank you Michael and Patti!

The Top 12 New Year's Resolutions Made By Pets

Have a torrid one-night stand with a street mutt.

Try to understand that the cat is from Venus and I am from Mars.

I will no longer be beholden to the sound of the can opener.

Circulate petition that Leg Humping be a juried competition in major dog shows.

Call PETA and tell them what that surgical mask-wearing freak does to us when no one is around.

Take time from busy schedule to stop and smell the behinds.

Always scoot before licking.

Grow opposable thumb; break into pantry; decide for MYSELF how much food is *too* much.

Get out of the castle more, maybe swim counter-clockwise this year.

Jan. 1: Kill the sock! Must kill the sock!

Jan. 2-Dec. 31: Re-live victory over the sock.

I will NOT chase the darned stick unless I see it LEAVE HIS HAND.

-- Author Unknown





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