

BCD WIGGLEBUTT

Please help find a new
Specialty SHOW SITE ~!

July 2019

Happenings!

ASAP BCD PICNIC – Escape the heat and enjoy a mountain setting hanging out with your fellow bulldoggers! July 13th starting at 12 noon!

SOON The club meetings are on hiatus til Aug – enjoy your summer break!!

upcoming

Did you know there are award plaques that our members are eligible for? Find out more here:

<http://bcod.org/member-award-plaques/>

BULLDOG CLUB OF DENVER members!

As everyone knows we have lost our show site and we are unsure about where or when we will be holding our specialty shows.

Please put your thinking caps on and get your fingers to dialing ☺

To help you evaluate your prospective location, please ensure the following criteria are met:

- ✓ Cost: \$1000 per day
- ✓ Show room: 60' x 60' (minimum)
- ✓ Crating room: 60' x 30'
- ✓ Hospitality space: We need to be able to bring in food, and seat 50-100 people at tables. Should have a refrigerator, microwave, sink and have multiple outlets.
- ✓ Photographers & vet room: 50' x 50'
- ✓ Outdoor dog potty area
- ✓ Optional parking for RV's

It may be a challenge to find a site that will accommodate the above list as Denver is a premium city and things aren't inexpensive. HOWEVER, if you are able to identify a location that meets the above criteria, please provide the info/proposal to our BCD Secretary via email at bulldogclubofdenver@gmail.com We ALL have until July 19th to email our club secretary.

THANK YOU!

BCD Board Mtg Minutes

BULLDOG CLUB OF DENVER - BOARD MEETING - JUNE '19

Meeting called to order at Wendy's location at 58 & I- 25 by John Thompson at 713PM.

Motion made by Jacqui Bester seconded by Rod Peterson to accept the minutes as printed in the Wigglebutt.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

- Thank you's received from Beth Stephenson and Richard Truong and Ward McAfee.

TREASURER'S REPORT

- ❖ Operating Account - \$3074.61
- ❖ Show Account - \$12147.98
- ❖ Saving Account - \$11428.48
- ❖ CD - \$10516.13
- ❖ Total- \$37167.20

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Show - current show site has been sold. Need a new one
- Email to be sent about new location and change of meeting date to June 22 at library.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- Ice Cream social June 15 Parfet Park at Noon.
- Picnic July 13 at Bergen Park at Noon.

NEW BUSINESS

- Motion made by Rod Peterson and seconded by Jacqui Bester to hold Board meetings will be held at Wendy's for the rest of the year.

Motion made by Jacqui Bester and seconded by Danny Trevino to adjourn.

Respectfully Submitted,

Marzetta Peterson

Ten Tips for Showing Your Dog

Everyone can use a few dog showing tips to help give their classy canine a winning edge over the competition. There are many aspects to consider, from socialization and training, to grooming and [ring procedure](#). Each one can make the difference between losing or winning points, so learn as much as you can!

1. Don't Slack on Socialization

A great show dog is either made or lost according to how well she was socialized as a pup. A puppy may have perfect conformation, but if she's shy with people and wilts like a flower when you take her to new places, she will never perform well enough to win in the ring.

Once the puppy has been vaccinated, take her everywhere with you.

- Expose her to new places, people, situations, noises, etc.
- Walk her on grass, cement, carpet, linoleum and rubber matting so different surfaces don't freak her out.
- Take her to puppy socialization classes, aka puppy kindergarten, so she becomes used to meeting a lot of other dogs.
- Encourage people to pet her and gently look in her mouth so she gets used to being touched by strangers (who sometimes happen to be judges).

All of these experiences will teach the pup to take everything in stride and give her confidence. Confidence is a key trait found in all top show dogs that gives them the winning stride and attitude that judges love to see.

2. Attend Conformation Training Classes

Most active kennel clubs offer weekly training classes instructed by experienced [dog handlers](#), and they usually only charge a few dollars to attend. Classes like this are invaluable to a novice exhibitor because the instructors will teach you all the basics of how to present a dog in the ring. Your dog will also learn what's expected from her when she competes at a dog show.

You'll learn how to:

- Gait your dog around the ring
- Stack her for examination (on the table or on the ground, according to her size)
- Perform the basic patterns, such as the triangle, the "L," and the down and back
- One additional bonus to attending conformation classes is that the instructor and other breeders can evaluate your dog's conformation and help you decide if she really belongs in the show ring. This is a hard fact that many novice exhibitors don't consider until they've wasted considerable money showing a dog that doesn't really have a chance of winning.



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3. Judges Like a Clean Dog

Although excessive grooming is discouraged in many breeds, no judge really wants to touch a dirty dog. Even if weekly bathing isn't recommended for keeping your dog's coat in proper texture, you can still spot bathe areas like the face legs and undercarriage to keep them fresh. Most breeds should be given a bath the day before the show weekend and then brushed and spot bathed as needed to keep them in top condition.

4. Reduce Staining on White Fur

Stains can spoil the look of an otherwise white coat. Staining around the eyes and muzzle, as well as urine staining on the rear legs, can give the judge the impression that the dog is not well-cared for between shows.

To help keep stains at a minimum:

1. Combine one-part powdered boric acid with two parts cornstarch and use a small makeup brush to carefully brush the powder into the stained areas daily. You can also use it at the dog show to brighten and dry damp hair, but remember to brush it out so your dog doesn't shake it out in the ring and look like a powder puff. Judges can dismiss dogs from the ring for having foreign substances in their coats.
2. Protect areas prone to staining by wrapping and/or banding them. Just be sure to use high-quality rubber bands, or the hair might break with repeated wrapping.
3. You can also try using a shampoo formulated especially for brightening white coats, but these products do not work miracles. Keep your dog clean all the time, and staining will be minimal.

5. Trimming and Sculpting

Long-coated breeds like Shih Tzus, Lhasa Apsos, Yorkies and Maltese need trimming to keep them looking neat, as well as keep them from tripping on their hair and hindering their gait. However, the way you trim or "sculpt" the coat can affect what a judge sees, although a top-notch judge will not necessarily be fooled by a good trim once he puts his hand on the dog.

- If your dog's legs are a little too close together in the front or rear, trim the outline of the paws slightly shorter on the inside to create a little more distance between the paws when the dog stands or moves.
- You can make an older dog look a little fresher and more youthful by carefully trimming a little length off the head fall, beard, ears and tail, as part of a regular trim.
- Trimming a small section of hair directly in front of the dog's tail, as well as trimming a slight amount of hair away from the back of the tail just above the anus, can make a low tail set look a little higher.

6. Start Out in the Middle

When you enter the ring for your class, try not to be the first or last dog in the lineup. Sometimes judges will make all the competitors line up in order as printed in the show catalog, but if you have a choice, try to be somewhere in the middle.

You want to do this for several reasons:

1. If there's at least one dog ahead of you, this gives you more time to have your dog stacked in perfect position and brushed (if she has a longer coat). The first handler in line doesn't have as much time to fuss over the dog since the judge will examine that dog immediately after the entire group is gaited

- around the ring.
2. The last handler in line will also have to work quickly to make the dog look perfect because the judge will already be giving all the dogs one final look as the last dog in line completes her individual go around the ring.
 3. If you're in the middle, you have plenty of time to keep your dog looking good before the judge runs the entire class around the ring one last time and chooses the winner.

7. Always Keep One Eye on the Judge

A smart handler always knows where the judge is standing in the ring and what he's doing. This allows the handler to make sure the judge never sees her dog standing incorrectly and revealing faults.

Keeping an eye on the judge also helps you look more professional. Each dog is allotted about two minutes to be judged, and judges do not want to waste time calling up an exhibitor twice when she's not paying attention.

8. Learn to Gait Your Dog at the Correct Speed

It's a rare dog that has perfect conformation, so most show dogs have a fault somewhere. If your dog's fault is in somewhere in her gait, you need to figure how fast or slow you need to walk her so she moves at her best. Have a friend walk the dog for you as you watch.

Rear Movement

Look at how the dog's legs move when she walks away directly from you. If they are weak and the hocks tend to lean in toward each other, see if moving the dog faster or slower makes them stay more parallel to each other.

Front Movement

Next, look at the front legs as the dog walks toward you. If the feet tend to converge close together, try moving the dog a little slower to see if this corrects the movement.

Side Movement

Finally, look at the dog from the side as she moves. Are her shoulders laid back instead of hunched behind her neck? Do her feet kick out behind her a bit as they should? Does her topline remain smooth instead of bouncing up and down? Practice with her at different speeds to find which one helps her move as correctly as possible.

9. Keep Your Dog Between You and the Judge

The judge is supposed to be judging your dog, not you, so keep the dog between the two of you at all times. If the judge asks you to walk your dog in the "L" pattern, make sure you switch hands with the lead and walk the dog on the other side of you so the judge can see her instead of your legs blocking his view.

10. Keep Yourself Calm

Nothing can spoil a show dog's performance more than a nervous handler. If you feel keyed up and anxious, the dog will feel it through your hands and the show lead, and this will shake her confidence. Take slow, deep breaths to steady yourself, and pay attention to everything going on in the ring. If you've prepared your dog properly, there's no need to feel nervous. The judge is the one who points the finger at the winner, and that's

something that you ultimately can't control. Just focus on working with your dog as a team.

Gaining True Expertise Takes Time

Tips can help you move ahead a little faster in the dog show world, but gaining real expertise takes time and experience. If you have a dog that is truly show quality but you don't think you're winning as much as you should, take a look at what the winners are doing. Study your competitors' dogs, and study how they handle them in the ring, as well as how they prepare them in the grooming area. Apply what you learn to how you prepare and show your dog, and you just might wind up with a champion.

<https://dogs.lovetoknow.com/dog-information/ten-tips-showing-your-dog#/>

Editor's Note: Bulldogs are not a "trimmed or sculpted" breed. No POODLE CUTS PLEASE!!
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I GOT YOU!



Meeting called to order by President John Thompson at Green Valley Ranch branch library at 1015AM.

Motion made by Rod Peterson and seconded by Karen Trevino to approve the minutes at printed in the Wigglebutt. Carried.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

- Membership application for Moira & Chris Bright

TREASURER'S REPORT

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COMMITTEE REPORTS

- SHOW - Current site has been sold. Need to find new location.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- PICNIC - July 13 Noon at Bergen Park in Evergreen. Awards to be presented
- B Match - Sept 14 Jason Park 9AM registration 10AM judging. Judge Mr Gary Mosley
- Christmas Party Dec 14 at Mickey's 6:30PM must be prepaid by Oct 19 if attending.
- Bulloween Nov 2 from 1230 - 230 PM at Mantayo
- Show Discussion
- Motion made by Sara seconded by Rod to tell division that due to loss of show site we will have to pass on the holding of the division show in 2020. Carried.

New Business

- Show discussion on location. Motion made by Karen Trevino seconded by Danny Trevino to set a special meeting on July 20 to decide on location. Motion defeated. Motion made by Sara seconded by Ken Sanford that if we don't get a viable option that meets the \$1000 per day and the criteria sent by Marzetta, by July 19, then we will go with Greeley Kennel Club. Amended by Rod Peterson seconded by Ken Sanford that if options presented we will met in Aug meeting to decide. Motion carried
- Judges selection for 2020 Judy Wade, Fred Haynes, Jean Hetherington and Carlos Albuquerque.

Motion made by Ken Sanford and seconded by Karen to adjourn. Carried

Respectfully Submitted,

Marzetta Peterson

Need to beat the HEAT? Try a Wading pool for your pooch!

Best Wading Pools for Dogs

It used to be the only pools you could buy for your dog was the hard plastic kiddie pool. These are still a great, low-cost option but definitely no longer the only one.

GPCT Foldable Dog Swimming Pool

Available at Walmart, this puncture proof dog pool can be folded up for convenient storage or travel. It comes in red and blue and is made with a fiber board frame and polyester fabric coated with PVC. The pool when open is 4 feet wide and 1 foot deep. It retails for about \$33.

Petmaker Collapsible Pet Pool

Home Depot carries this foldable pool in both small and large sizes. The small is for dogs [up to 40 pounds](#) sells for about \$29. The large version is for dogs [up to 80 pounds](#) for about \$34. The pool comes with a bag for storage or carrying it with you and it can be easily emptied with a drain cap. The pool is made of vinyl. While it is designed to be a dog proof paddling pool, reviewers noted it wasn't very durable.

Summer Escapes Poly Pool Pet Bath

If you prefer a hardy and no-frills option, PetSmart carries [their own version](#) of the traditional plastic dog pool. The pool is 35" long by 35" wide by 6" high and sells for about \$11. The pool is best for small to medium-size dogs and is can be great for bathing your dog as well as a way to cool off in the heat.

One Dog One Bone Paw Shaped Pool

This fun pool is similar to a traditional hard plastic kiddie pool but comes in a cute dog paw shape. It can hold up to 20 gallons of water and is UV and chew resistant. It sells for about \$150. The dimensions are 6" x 38" x 39" and is best for smaller size dogs. The pool is made from heavy duty truck bed material. It comes in blue and pink.

Alcott Inflatable Pool for Dogs

A dog inflatable pool seems like a bad idea, but based on Amazon reviews this pool does appear to hold up to dog usage, though it may not prevail if you have a hardcore chewer or digger. The pool is made from PVC and is 4 feet in diameter and 16" high. It can be easily deflated and folded up for storage. It sells for about \$25.

Metal Dog Pool

If you want something that is extra durable and can stand up to the toughest and largest dogs, some owners use [stock tanks](#) which are steel tubs used for watering livestock. The plus is you won't likely need to replace it due to damage. The cons are they are expensive and the water can get warm to hot in a steel tub compared to a plastic pool. You can find them at livestock feed stores and Tractor Supply and they can sell from around \$95 to \$400 depending on size.

Getting Your Dog to Use the Pool

While you might think that your dog will instantly want to jump into a new doggie pool on a hot summer day, not every dog is an immediate fan of water.

- If your dog appears hesitant, do not pressure them to go in.
- Use some extra delicious treats and reward them for getting closer to the pool.
- If your dog loves toys, you can toss some waterproof toys into the pool to coax him to go after them.
- If you're dying from the heat yourself, make the best of your training session by sitting in the pool and encouraging him with praise and treats to come join you!

Keeping the Pool Clean

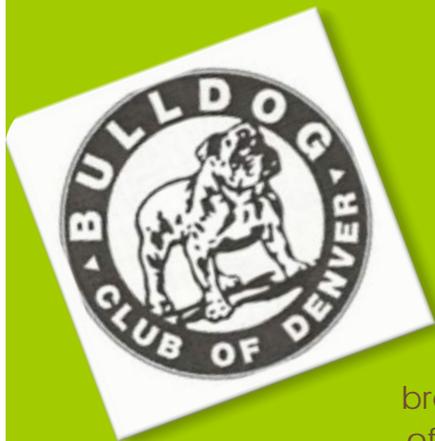
A doggie pool can get dirty quite fast, so make sure you keep an eye on the cleanliness of the water.

- You should especially make sure you empty the pool out regularly and do not leave standing water out. This can quickly become a breeding ground for mosquitos, parasites, algae and other unhealthy bacteria.
- You can put a tiny amount of pool chlorine to the water although be advised that it can irritate a dog's eyes, ears and skin and their stomachs if they drink it.
- Wash the pool regularly with some [antibacterial soap](#) and clean any toys that may have been in the pool as well.

https://dogs.lovetoknow.com/wiki/Ten_Reasons_to_Buy_Your_Dog_a_Wading_Pool

HELLO
SUMMER!





Bulldog Club of Denver: member of the Bulldog Club of America (BCA) and the American Kennel Club (AKC)

The BCD was founded to encourage and promote the breeding of purebred Bulldogs and to do all possible to bring their natural qualities to perfection. We urge our members and breeders to accept the standard of the breed as the only standard of excellence and protect and advance the interests of the breed by encouraging sportsmanlike competition at dog shows.

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