

BCD WIGGLEBUTT

POSTCARDS FROM SUMMERTIME ☺

August 2019

HAPPENINGS!

ASAP

BCD General Meeting – Aug 10th

- 1pm – 3pm
- Valdez Perry Library

SOON

Sept 14th – are you ready for AAAAALLLLLLL the fall leaves to rake up for your bulldog?

B-Match is also coming up!

- B-Ready @ 10am (9am REGISTRATION!
- B-There!
- B-Location – Jason Park
- B-match JUDGE – Gary Moseley

TRAVEL DESTINATION!

GARDEN OF THE GODS, Colorado Springs

The Garden of the Gods Park is a Registered National Natural Landmark in Colorado Springs. Admission is free, and your leashed bulldog is welcome to join you as you hike along the beautiful trails through the red rock formations. Brutus can also join you for a bite to eat on the terrace of the Cafe at the Garden.



Bulldog-friendly PLACES TO EAT: Phantom Canyon Brewing Co.; Pizzeria Rustica; Rudy's Little Hideaway; The Burrowing Owl; The Wobbly Olive; and many more!

Bulldog-friendly EVENTS:

- Bark at Briargate Outdoor Dog Expo (Aug 10th)
- Pawtoberfest (Sept 14th)

President's Corner



In the June 2019 Wigglebutt, I reiterated three commitments that I made to the club as the new incoming president. These commitments were continued club success, financial stability and longevity. As we work to fulfill these commitments, I want to highlight a few more commitments that I would like to focus on over the next year.

The first additional commitment is communication. I plan on using the President's Corner of Wigglebutt to communicate information, events and other things that I think are important to the membership. Another commitment that I want to focus on is camaraderie. In competitive environments, such as dog showing, camaraderie can get lost. However, studies have shown that lack of camaraderie among competitors decreases the competitiveness of each competitor. Performance peaks and competitors are more successful when they can create a healthy balance between camaraderie and competitiveness. I plan on discussing camaraderie and other club matters, such as, club committees in future President's Corner messages.

In this President's Corner, I would like to discuss our 2020 specialty show. For the past few years, the Ramada in Englewood has hosted our specialty show. The property was sold, and the club has been unable to renew a contract for the 2020 show at the Ramada. As stated in July Wigglebutt, we have been actively looking for a new show site for our 2020 specialty show. Through the tireless efforts of our members, the club has been presented with a number of options for our 2020 specialty show and those were preliminarily outlined in an email to club members. Detailed information about the show site options will also be presented at the club meeting (Saturday, August 10 from 1-3pm at the Valdez-Perry Library – see the website for location details). I fully expect that the 2020 specialty show site location will come to a vote at the August club meeting. If you have any thought or opinions regarding our 2020 specialty show, the site or location, please attend the August meeting to voice your thoughts and to have your vote counted. We want and need everyone's thoughts and opinions about our 2020 specialty show. I'd also like to thank everyone that has spent time searching for a new show site location. Your time and effort are what makes our club succeed. Special thanks to Laura Anninios, Shawn Ashbaugh, Rick & Kim Bolas, Jacqui Bester, Sara French, Sandy Coffman, Stacie Gleeson, Brianna McGee, Albert Nishimoto, Rod & Marzetta Peterson, Landon Richards, Susan Rohringer, Ken & Sherry Sanford, Karla Thompson and Danny & Karen Trevino and anyone else that I may have missed.

Lastly, I would like to thank Shawn Ashbaugh and Karla Thompson for their efforts in July to transport a rescue bulldog to Utah to be placed in a loving home. I am sure that the dog doubly thanks you both. In addition, I would like to thank our previous board members Albert Nishimoto (as board member at large) and Ken Sanford (as past president) for their contributions to the club as board members and their commitment to our club and breed. The new board will do our best to continue their spirit and passion for this club and its members.

With much gratitude,

John Thompson



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HELLO VACA!



Ok, so VACAs can be SOOOOOOOO tiring ☺ ...need a plopping place to PLOP my butt *)



Not-to-forget things: SUNSCREEN, SAFETY INNERTUBE, SUNGLASSES, SUN-COLLAR, SNACKS, SUPER COOL WATER, ICE-CHIPS!

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SHOW IT
OFF ☺



Sometimes just partying in the back yard is FUN ENOUGH!



BCD ANNUAL CLUB AWARDS

AT the BCD annual picnic in July, the 2018 annual awards were handed out ☺

CONGRATS to all the WINNERS!!

NEW CHAMPIONS:

- CH Big Thompsons Tart with a Cart
- CH Dlanor Monarch Luscious Lola

New GRAND CHAMPIONS:

- GCH Big Thompsons Tart with a Cart

Most Best of Opposite Wins:

- GCH Big Thompsons Tart with a Cart

Most Best of Breed Wins:

- GCH Big Thompson's Archangel of Bearhill

Most AKC Championship Points:

- Big Thompsons Bulldogs

Most ACK Grand Championship Points:

- GCH Big Thompson's Archangel of Bearhill (109)

Most Best in Show Wins:

- Big Thompsons Bulldogs: GCH Big Thompson's Archangel of Bearhill

Breeder of the Year

- Big Thompsons Bulldogs

CH Dlanor Monarch Luscious Lola



GCH Big Thompsons Tart with a Cart



GCH Big Thompson's Archangel of Bearhill



PAW CARE: TAKING CARE OF YOUR DOGS FEET

Yes, your dog's feet are made for walking, but did you know that those little paws are also designed for protecting? Your dog's foot pads give additional cushioning that aid in protecting both bones and joints from shock. They provide good insulation against intense weather conditions, and help your dog to walk over rough ground. Plus, pads support the tissue beneath their paw.

With all the work he has to do, it is not surprising that your pooch's paws take a bit of a beating every so often. With the paw care guidelines below; you can keep a spring in your darling dog's step.

How to Care for Your Dog's Paws

- 1. Try pampering your dog's paws with pedicures.** His nails need to touch slightly just above the ground when he walks. If his nails tend to click or get snagged over the floor, then give him a pedicure. Talk to your vet or a professional pet groomer for advice regarding the types of nail trimmers that would seem best for your pet, and how to properly use them.
- 2. Do the snip and trim.** Try trimming the hairs on your dog's paw on a regular basis to keep him from painful matting. Comb his hair out especially those from between the toes. Trim even with his pads.
- 3. Explore in between.** Because foreign objects could easily become lodged in your pet's pads, do not forget to clean them. Check between his toes for pebbles, foxtails, bits of broken glass, and other debris. All these pesky items can be easily removed with a pair of tweezers.
- 4. Moisturize, moisturize, and then moisturize.** Your dog's pads can easily get dry and cracked so ask your vet about good pad moisturizers designed especially for dogs. Do not apply hand moisturizers for humans as it could soften the dog's pads and lead to unwarranted injury.
- 5. Give your pet a soothing deep paw massage.** Just like giving someone a hand massage, a paw massage will also help in relaxing your dog; thus, promote better blood circulation. Rub between the pads at the bottom of his paw, and then rub between each of his toe. Your pooch will certainly be forever grateful for that extra TLC.
- 6. Take it slow and steady.** If you intend to start a new exercise plan for your dog, start off slowly. Paws are likely to be sensitive, cracked or chaffed, especially when taking your dog out for hikes and runs.
- 7. Use first aid.** Because it is not unusual for your dog to acquire cuts or suffer from other wounds due to accidentally stepping on broken glass or other debris, make sure that you also have in your cabinet that first aid kit. Small wounds can be cleaned using an antibacterial wash and then wrapped with a bandage. Deeper cuts, however, will require seeing your vet for treatment.
- 8. Help him deal with summertime sores.** Have you tried stepping barefoot onto a very hot pavement? Ouch! Well, that pricking pain of extreme heat can also be felt by your dog. To keep him from acquiring burns and blisters, steer him away from hot pavements and sand.
- 9. Muddle through wintertime blues.** Bitter cold is definitely hard on everyone's skin. Your dog is certainly not exempt. After outdoor walks, make sure that you have washed your dog's paws with warm water so that salt and other harmful chemicals are rinsed away. To keep his pads from getting chapped or cracked, apply a paw protectant. Letting your pooch wear doggie boots to protect against freezing ice and dangerous salts and snow-melting chemicals is also advisable.

<https://www.dogingtonpost.com/paw-care-taking-care-of-your-dogs-feet/>



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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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