

Staffordshire Bull Terrier Club of Puget Sound August, 2009 Newsletter

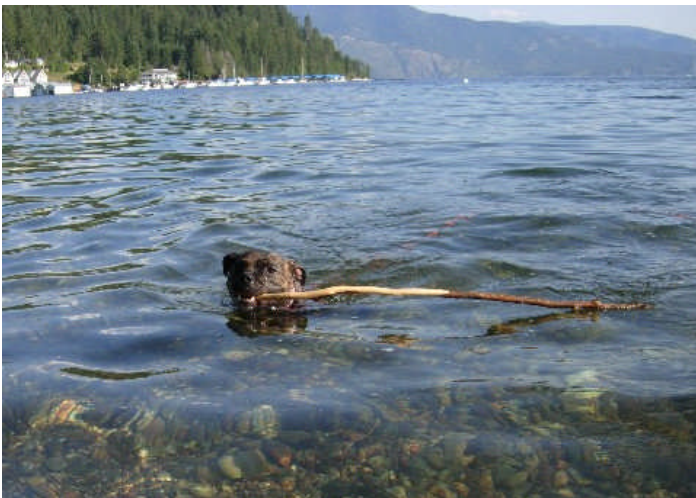
SBTCPS Specialty 2009

It was a fun Specialty this year. Some of the highlights of this event included:

- * Trugrip One Singular Sensation (Cassie) earned a Group 2 two days in a row (Congratulations, Eddie and Marci!)
- * Several performance Staffords cleaned up in agility, including a Double Q for agility excellence, earned by Karyn Dawes and 12 ½ year old female Staffy, Sure Shot Sunshine Fly by Night, of San Diego, CA (an amazing achievement!)
- * Five individuals applied for club membership.
- * We, again, had fun with Parts is Parts, this year orchestrated by Marji Haley. She would like to thank Karen Harold, Cindy Sim and Marci Day for volunteering to be judges.
- * A wonderful selection of items were donated for auction, including a lovely bronze mirror with an etched Staffy, created by Sheryl Garrison from Idaho.
- * Coleen Case held an impromptu CGC Testing Event on Saturday and the following earned their CGC certifications:

Joan Ganz and Golden States Cool Cagney from Fair Oaks, CA
Lorelei Craig and CH Homebrewed Page Three Girl from Penn Valley, CA
Kathy Steinbock and CH Classy Staffy You're Still The One from West Linn, OR
Ron Schwab and CH Trugrip Good Boy Dex from West Linn, OR
Donna McKinney and Trugrip Rocky Road from Marysville, WA

Thank you, Coleen for all that you do and Congratulations to all!



Esther Williams Never Looked so Good!

This is Tula (Trugrip BC Huntsville Dahling) swimming in Lake Pend Oreille located in northern Idaho. Tula swims out about 50 feet to retrieve ANY stick or Henry, her best friend, hauling him in by his leash. Tula and Henry are owned and loved by Sheryl Garrison.



SBTCPS

***Would like to thank the following individuals
for their generous donations to our trophy fund:***

Thornton & Angelique Alberg

Pauline Awford

Jan Cannon, In memory of "Cassie" Classy Staffy Casino

Cedarview Veterinarian Hospital, Grants Pass, Oregon

Bethany Dalton

Ed & Marci Day, Redline Staffords

Doug Ferrin, Imperium Staffordshire Bull Terriers

Mike Foster

Joan Ganz

Marji Haley

Jim & Cassie Malloy, In memory of "Piper" CH WIN-R Black Diamond

Keith & Donna McKinney, Rockin Staffordshire Bull Terriers

Dana & Jenny Merritt, Trugrip Staffords, since 1969

Roberta Miller

Lucille Perry

Mike Proniuk & Lisa Daum, In memory of "Chelsea" Am/Can CH Jads Chelsea

Jack Ramberg

Cynthia Sim

Rob & Wendy Stafford

Hank Strodemier

Ron & Kathy Schwab

Ron & Connie Torres

Behan & Jennifer Venter

What is CGC Testing?

The following is a link to the AKC website with the answer:

http://www.akc.org/events/cgc/training_testing.cfm

Why is CGC Certification so Important for Staffordshire Bull Terriers?

It shows that you value your dog enough to spend some time with it to make your dog socially acceptable. Well-behaved dogs are a pleasure to own. Once you have an obedience-trained dog you never want an untrained dog again. I'm not even talking about a dog that can earn an AKC obedience title; just one who can behave in public, come when called, and keys in on its owner with a desire to please. Maybe I should rephrase that for Staffords--a desire to cooperate. I don't want slavish obedience from my dogs, just a willingness to pay attention; it is camaraderie and having fun doing things together. As the brochure says "Canine Good Citizen training is fun and useful."

- Lucille Perry

As a gift to yourself, your dog and your neighbors, train your dog to become a Canine Good Citizen. It will mean sanity for you, safety for your dog and compliments from your neighbors.

Canine Good Citizens are close to being perfect pets. They are welcome almost anywhere because they behave around people and other dogs. They are a pleasure to take for a walk and can go along on trips and family outings. They are members of the family in every sense of the word.

Untrained dogs have few, if any privileges. When guests come, unruly dogs are locked in the basement because they are not well behaved. When the family sits down to eat, these dogs are put outside because they beg at the table. Nobody wants to take them for a walk because they pull, and these dogs never get to go on family outings because they are such a nuisance.

Dogs have a life expectancy of eight to sixteen years. Now is the time to ensure these years are going to be mutually rewarding. Teach your dog to be that perfect pet you always wanted – a Canine Good Citizen.

- Ramona Pessa

This is an important award for Staffords and any breed that is under the public eye. It changes the image that has been painted of them and gets them out where people can see that they are really wonderful dogs. It shows that owners are taking that extra step to cast a positive image of their dogs and to be responsible.

- Christine Kriger

RDO Day around the Northwest

Grants Pass, OR

Rogue Valley Kennel Club is holding RDO Day in Grants Pass on Saturday, Sept. 26 from 10-3p.m. at Riverside Park. As in the past, we're offering free obedience brush up classes; this year on August 26, Sept. 2 and Sept. 23, in preparation for CGC testing. Please email Lucille at aceman@echoweb.com with any questions.

Seattle, WA

The club hosted RDO Day this year will, again, be co-hosted by the ATCWW. This enjoyable and informative event is scheduled for Sunday, September 27th at Kellogg School in north Seattle. A map will be included in the next newsletter. If you have questions, please email Jenny Merritt at danajenny@aol.com or Coleen Case at coleenblaze@aol.com .

Pretest Practice Options:

- Session #1** Was held on August 24 in Shoreline by Andrea Kilkenny. All slots for this session were filled and everyone had a great time.
- Session #2** Sunday Sept. 13th, 11am to 1pm, at Cedar River Park/Carco Theater in Renton. Contact Coleen Case at 206-920-3220 or coleenblaze@msn.com for more details and confirmation.

Club Board Member Elections

The two positions currently up for elections: President and Secretary. If you would be interested in either of these positions or know of someone who would like to be nominated, please email me, Connie Torres, at rc.torres@netzero.net. Nominations will be announced at the on-the-road club meeting after the show at the Clark County Fairgrounds in Ridgefield, WA on Saturday, October 24.

I have enjoyed being the Club Secretary for two years. Unfortunately, other challenges necessitate my stepping down. I wish to thank all those who have made this experience so enjoyable.

Club Annual

Reservations are being taken for pages in the 2009 Annual. The deadline for sending in money, page information and pictures is November 30, 2009.

Annual fun pages will cost:

- black and white half page \$30
- black and white full page \$60
- full color inside page \$90
- inside covers (color) \$125
- back cover (color) \$150

If you've had puppies, please send the following for the nursery page

- Sir name/call name and Dame/call name
- Puppies names (paper &/or call)
- One picture per litter

There is no cost for additions to the nursery or the memorial pages.

If you earned your CGC, please send your name and your dog's name, when and where you received your certificate and the name of the evaluator.

Please contact Coleen Case at coleenblaze@msn.com or 206-920-3220 with questions, information or to reserve your page.

Championship Blankets

Have a new conformation, rally, agility or obedience champion? Email Marji Haley at sbgran@hotmail.com or call (425) 267-0128 and talk to her about a championship blanket to commemorate this special occasion.

Coming Events

- 9/01** **SBTCPS Meeting, Bothell Police Station, 7:00p.m.**
- 9/03, 9/04** **McKenzie Cascade Dog Fanciers, Lane County Fairgrounds and Convention Center, Eugene, OR Closed 8/19**
- 9/05, 9/06** **Eugene Kennel Club, Lane County Fairgrounds and Convention Center, Eugene, OR Closed 8/19**
- 9/12, 9/13** **Wenatchee Kennel Club, Walla Wall Point Part, Wenatchee, WA
Closed 8/26**
- 9/17, 9/18** **Gallatin Dog Club, Lewis and Clark County Fairgrounds, Helena, MT
Closes 9/02**
- 9/19, 9/20** **Helena Montana Kennel Club, Lewis and Clark County Fairgrounds, Helena, MT
Closes 9/02**
- 9/19, 9/20** **Gig Harbor Kennel Club, Mason County Fairgrounds, Shelton, WA
Closes 9/02**
- 9/26, 9/27** **Richland Kennel Club, Inc., Columbia Park, Kennewick, WA
Closes 9/09**

Show Results

Portland Kennel Club, Inc. - Portland, OR
Saturday 07/18/2009
Breed Judge – Mr. Kenneth M McDermott
Group Judge – Ekarat Sangkunakup
BOB BLULLBLADE BLOOD AND HONOR
BOS ZERACIOUS MET EISH
WB/BOW ZERACIOUS TERRIFI
WD CLASSY STAFFYS AN OUTLAW GANG
Sunday 07/19/2009
Breed Judge – Mrs. Chris A Levy
Group Judge – Mr. Kenneth M McDermott
BOB BLULLBLADE BLOOD AND HONOR
BOS ZERACIOUS MET EISH
WB/BOW ZERACIOUS TERRIFI
WD CLASSY STAFFYS AN OUTLAW GANG

Olympic Kennel Club, Inc. – Enumclaw, WA
Saturday 08/15/2009
Breed Judge – Mrs. Marion D McPherson
Group Judge – Mrs. Judy Webb
BOB BULLBLADE BLOOD AND HONOUR
BOS CH TRUGRIP ONE SINGULAR SENSATION
WD/BOW CLASSY STAFFYS AN OUTLAW GANG
WB TRUGRIP ROCKIN MERENGUE

Sunday 08/16/2009
Breed Judge – Mrs. Elaine E Mathis
Group Judge – Mrs. Marion D. McPherson
BOB CH TRUGRIP ONE SINGULAR SENSATION
BOS BULLBLADE BLOOD AND HONOUR
WD/BOW CLASSY STAFFYS HOT SHOT
WB TRUGRIP BLUE STAR OF IMPERIUM

Hurricane Ridge Kennel Club of Washington, Inc. - Sequim, WA
Saturday 07/25/2009
Breed/Group Judge – Cindy Vogels
BOB/Group 4 BULLBLADE BLOOD AND HONOUR
WB/BOW/BOS TRUGRIP BLUE STAR OF IMPERIUM
WD OXHEART RED HEADED STRANGER AT
 BEDROCK

Sunday 07/26/2009
Breed/Group Judge – Judi Shurb
BOB/Group 3 CH TRUGRIP GOOD BOY DEX
BOS CH TRUGRIP ONE SINGULAR SENSATION
WB/BOW ZERACIOUS TERRIFI
WD TRUGRIP MAMA'S BOY

Thank you, Kristy, for the show results!

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Directions to the Bothell Police Dept.:

**Take exit # 24 off 405
Go west on Beardslee Blvd.
Beardslee Blvd. becomes Main Street.
Turn right onto 101st Ave NE and go two blocks.
Police Station will be on your right.**