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Masey enjoys her day at the ranch! - Richard Vogel/AP 2009



Living life at Daphneyland rarely gives one a moment to pause and take note of all the amazing people who have made the hounds haven possible. Since Daphneyland became a reality in 2002, there has been a whirlwind of growth, learning, education, opportunities and even in the worst economic crisis - growth is continual. The hounds have so much to be grateful for.

2010 found us with the Associated Press article bringing awareness thru the circulation of 4900 news media services worldwide, and helping to create a broader base of education to the general public, as well

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Volunteer of the Year Linda Miller feeds hounds! - AP Wire/Vogel 2009

as saving the hounds from an economic crisis. Our email and phone lines were literally crashing systems during this time frame, and the hounds benefited in recovery, when we thought we would have to be closing our doors very soon. Alan Weissman Photography became aware of us, and photo sessions began! Benefit Wines jumped on board and Alan's photo's now grace a line of wine available for purchase which help the hounds!

This year we have been able to achieve growth with the advent of the Disney Days and our networking partner Life 4 Paws, which gave us the ability to cement in the new yards and hound proof them, add steps and more plantings!

Visitors arriving from other states have stayed and shared their experiences, Sandi Wittenberg of Red Bay Bassets in Michigan came for a week stay, and a lifelong friendship as formed.

The annual Big Sunday was a blast and once again huge thanks go out to David Levinson, Beth Weissman and Dr. Alexander Werner at the Animal Dermatology Center.

Upcoming events include our WADDLE!!! September 19, 2010 we will be joining the Strut Your Mutt Parade at the Santa Monica Pier and the hounds will be beaching it for the day! Stay tuned on the website for more details about this WONDERFUL event and remember to register! We have cyber walking, and other factors involved in this "fun"d-raising event! The Basset Hound Picnic is upcoming in October, see details in this edition - an amazing way to spend a day with your family and hound enjoying costume contests, and all that goes with being a "Basset Parent".

Basic Needs Foundation continues to assist the hounds and made possible the new transport van, received through Guide Dogs for the Blind as Big Dog Rescue. -12- built in kennels make transport a breeze and give the hounds safety during the vet runs we do weekly! This van also will be outfitted with the trailer hitch to pull our emergency evacuation trailer!

The economy has not recovered, and we continue to struggle with a decrease in donations and volunteers who continually have a hard time struggling to find extra time in overfull schedules to come on out and help the hounds. All volunteers are welcome!

On behalf of all of us at Basset Rescue Network, and the Hounds of Daphneyland -

Bellyrub your furkids from us!

Dawn (of the West) Smith,

President

Why is Rehabilitation and Socialization important??

In today's world of immediate gratification, puppies have the hardest time.

In a perfect world, Basset puppies would stay with their litter mates until 10 - 12 weeks of age to learn things like bite inhibition, decrease the chances of food aggression, learn proper socialization (playing well with others) and when the right time had passed - a puppy would find a loving home ready to train and love that puppy. Unfortunately, that is not the case in today's society.



This handsome guy was taken from his littermates too soon. Bouncing from one home to another he landed in a sister rescue's care. A food related incident caused the need for behavioral correction and that group did not have the ability to provide it. We were contacted to help save his life. That was 2 years ago.

By slowly working on deflection, pack socialization and hands on positive reinforcement, Little Sam gradually stabilized and began to learn how to play well with others.

The right family happened upon Daphneyland and Sam was determined to call them his own. Sam requires training and basic canine behavior knowledge - and his new family is giving him just that!

"Unadoptable" is a state of mind. Negative energy creates a negative environment. Please enjoy a tidbit from Woofus and his new family - a match that makes all of our efforts so rewarding. Your donations make it possible for hounds like Little Sam to be rehabilitated.

Update on Little Sam



Little Sam you may need to be reminded, was a behavioral case for euthanasia from BHRSC and was considered "Unadoptable". Took 2 years to make it happen, but the great basset god smiled on Little Sam aka Woofus.

These are the feel good moments ...
It's what we all work so hard to do.

Hi Dawn,

It's Steve and Alex the one's who adopted Little Sam (AKA Woofus) Just wanted to give you an update. He's doing GREAT!! He's adjusted very well, and is a happy little guy. We've been working on training him with the president of Long Beach dog parks. Also he's been getting a home cooked diet with a little kibble. He's been to the vet a few times...getting his teeth cleaned and he had a little ear infection which has cleared. Anyways, hope all is well with all the hounds. Take care!!



A Week at the Daphneyland Ranch

By Sandi Wittenberg - Red Bay Bassets

Many of you know that I am off on a great adventure, a one week volunteer mission at Daphneyland, currently housing 90 homeless hounds.

THURSDAY – APRIL 8, 2010

I arrived at Daphneyland after an 8 hour flight and travel time. Upon arrival, I quickly changed my clothes and met the hounds at the kennel. After doing kennel chores from 3 PM until 8 PM quiet time, I went to meet the house dogs. Got to the house after yard clean up about 7 PM ... I cooked dinner for us and two BaRni board members who came up for a brainstorming session and weekend of volunteering. Close down of the kennel at 10 PM - all 84 kennel dogs fed, put outside for a 30 minute exercise time. While they were outside, all poop was scooped, bedding checked and changed, and water bowls filled. Did two loads of laundry while doing close down. Laun-



Cassie

Sydney

Daphne

dry is a 24/7 job - fresh bedding daily for all hounds, some bedding changed 3x a day. Hounds brought back inside, outside run doors closed, heat on, settled in, Dawn sings "When You Wish Upon a Star" to them every night. I tried to sing but they howled - Auntie Sandi can't sing. Got back to the house at 11:45 PM, cleaned the kitchen up and hit the bed at 1:30 am.

FRIDAY – APRIL 9, 2010

The day started at the house about 7:30 AM – lots of caffeine. Right now I am on the "good side" of time zone changes and operating on excitement and adrenalin. Fed house dogs, mopped up some "oopsies" from Cassie who is blind and deaf and can't always find the doggie door., pooper-scooped the house yard and up to the kennel at 10 AM. Feeding time in the kennel – WOW! What a system – 84 bowls filled with measured amount of food, water added, honey added, supplements added for some dogs dependent on need, canned food or chicken or home-cooked food for sick or recovering dogs. The noise is deafening – sign language is helpful! But as soon as the bowls hit the floor – silence, except for the crunching sounds. BLEACH DOWN is a three times a week chore (M-W-F) – Everything is stripped out of the runs, bedding, water buckets, beds. From ceiling to floor, indoor and outdoor runs, everything (including the Karanda beds) is sprayed with a 30% bleach solution and allowed to set for at least 30 minutes. After the soaking period, everything is rinsed down with water, squeegeed out and fans turned on to dry. Water bowls and buckets are washed and sanitized. Then it is time to put new bedding down, put all the water bowls back, refill the bowls ... and wait for the first "oops". Every day, after every meal, all food bowls are washed and sanitized (soaked in bleach solution for 20 minutes), rinsed and dried ... dishwashing alone takes about 2 hours. Laundry is a 24/7 job - fresh bedding daily for all hounds, some bedding changed 3x a day. When a washing machine breaks down it is catastrophic – I did 18 loads of laundry today in 12 hours – and still not nearly caught up from the washing machine breakdown of a week ago. Kennel chores completed at 6:30 PM – volunteers arriving for weekend. I cooked dinner for us – good old fashioned mid-west

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stuffed green peppers. Heard coyotes howling and carrying on – too close for comfort, so we went back up to the kennel at 9:30 PM to get dogs out and in. Did a VERY careful headcount (three times) to be sure no one would be coyote bait overnight – the coyotes are obviously on the prowl for food. Everyone present and accounted for, safely inside the kennel for the night. Bed at last at 1:45 AM.

SATURDAY – APRIL 10, 2010

BIG day, Disney Volunteer Day. Up at 7 am, house routine, kennel at 9:30. On non-bleach down days (T-TH-S-S), the routine is to clean the kennels, bleach mop the inside runs, change bedding and hose down the outside runs. Peace having IBD problems, major mess requiring bleach down of grooming room. Fed dogs, scooped



poop, bleach mopped inside runs, changed bedding, hosed down outside runs. Draco required mini-bath inside. Cold, windy outside - no Bath Day today. 10 AM volunteers - 15 adults, 25 kids - guys worked hard weed whacking & pouring cement curbing, young'uns scooped poop & walked/played with dogs, teens helped clean kennels & runs, laundry all day. Peace still having the Big D. Walter (cancer furkid) isn't feeling well - slept most of the day. Volunteers left at 5 PM, all dogs inside, rain looming. Battened down hatches, wind howling. Back to house at 7 PM - Bruce barbequed Mojito chicken for us, we tasted the Daphneyland wines (order some)! Loved on house hounds - kennel at 10 PM for feeding/close down, same routine. Rain started @ 11 PM - wiped down wet hounds - turned up heat - new bedding for all (wet from rain and wet dogs), singing. Back to house at 12:30 AM, cleaned up kitchen, bed at 2 AM.

SUNDAY – APRIL 11, 2010

Adoption Day #2 - 8 AM, house routine, kennel @ 10 AM. Cold, wet, windy. Fed dogs, cleaned outside runs, dogs out during a break in the rain. Cleaned inside runs, new bedding for all again. Forgot to mention dishes - all bowls are washed, rinsed, sterilized after feedings. Cold/windy - not many visitors, laundry is never-ending. Dogs in and out all afternoon, did some grooming – lost count of how many nails I clipped today, a little time to chat and rub bellies. 5 PM dogs in for rest time, down to house for paperwork from Disney day and calls. Walter



not doing well - tomorrow will be Bridge Day for him. Made pot of soup, fire going, loved on bassets. Dinner at 8:30 PM, emails, back to kennel at 10 PM for feeding/close down. Rain comes down in buckets just as second round of dogs go out for exercise. Wet cold dogs - grrrr! Everyone brought in, dried off, snuggled in, heat kicked up a notch, sung to sleep. 11:45 PM, cup of tea, dry clothes and belly rubs. Relaxing couple of hours .. bed at 3 AM. Tomorrow will come too quickly.

MONDAY – APRIL 12, 2010

Bright but cold at 7 AM. House routine starts about 8 AM. It is going to be a hard day. Taking Walter to Dr. Kim ... Bridge Day. Two volunteers come in to help with morning routine, but still lots of poop to scoop and it's another bleach down day. Hounds are delighted to be outside without rain and the Basset 500 is underway (with 80 hounds!) and Draco is running right along. Bleach down completed about 1 PM - shower to take Walter to vet - check on puppies. PUPPIES BREACHED CONTAINMENT! Have to set up x-pen to contain puppies - weaning will be soon! Leave at 3 PM to take Walter for Bridge. He was ready, we weren't. Many tears, please light a candle for him.... got to get it together for 10 pm feeding/close down. The house hounds can sense the sadness. Feeding/close down at 10 PM. Spent extra time with hounds ... they know Walter is gone and are unsettled. We give them extra time outside, extra songs. Back to the house about 12:30 AM -- try to breath and shake off sadness but it is very hard. Bedtime 1:30 PM ... tomorrow will be better ... please.

TUESDAY – APRIL 13, 2010

Didn't sleep well last night and of course, I kept thinking about Walter. Every time I laid down I thought a dog was jumping up on the bed. Couldn't get to sleep until after 4:30 AM ... felt like I had vertigo .. mentioned it to Dawn, we checked the earthquake site ... yep, having tremors from about 1 - 4 AM. Just rockin' & rollin' out here. Normal morning house routine, fed dogs, scooped poop, checked email. Up to the kennel at 10 AM for feeding, cleaning and laundry. At 2 pm I came to house to check on puppies -- they are on the move and we are starting weaning tomorrow. Did house dog laundry and at 5PM went up to help get dogs in for rest time. Dinner of leftovers at 8 PM. Dawn & I back up to kennel for feeding and closedown at 10 PM. Hit the bed at 12:30 am - YEAH!

WEDNESDAY – APRIL 14, 2010

Got to sleep in a bit this morning -9 AM - woohoo! And why? Three regular volunteers at kennel were able to open up and do bleach down, so Dawn & I started the weaning process with the Lucky Charm Litter! They are very mobile, have SHARP little teeth and it is time to eat food and not Momma. Weaning is a slow and tedious process – 4 times a day feedings that require constant supervision. Did you know that 4 week old puppies eat about 5 cups of dog food a day? Multiple that times 9 – now that is a lot of dog food.

Daphneyland Hoedown is coming up on May 8th, major fundraising event, raffles, auction, etc. Usually I would



do a gift card from afar but decided to donate two gift baskets this time since I am here. Made a short shopping trip and put together two “movie night at home” gift baskets this afternoon. Evening spent working on Hoedown with Dawn. Kennel at 10 PM for feeding/closedown. Little girl who came in vet certified as spayed came into season - surprise! No wonder the hounds were kind of wound up today! Back to house at 12:30 AM, had a bowl of cereal (dinner) at 1:30 AM, now bed at 2:45 AM. Morning will come quickly and I have to make an early morning run for bleach – down to the last gallon.

THURSDAY – APRIL 15, 2010

Up and at ‘em at 7:30 AM for an early Costco run for bleach, laundry soap and honey - back to ranch by 10 AM - dishes, laundry, poop scooping, mopping out kennels. Volunteers didn’t show up – one was sick, one simply didn’t show up, so it was Dawn and I alone all day. We finished at 6:30 PM and dogs are in for a rest time. Beautiful day today and dogs thoroughly enjoyed the sunshine, breeze and nice temps. Tired hounds are happy hounds. Leaving for home in the morning. I am sad to leave Daphneyland. Said goodbye to all of the hounds -- I have bonded with them, especially Blue Sam and Oscar 2. Did some mending of blankets tonight and now I must pack. I have loved being here, spending time with hounds, helping, and learning much about pack management. Tomorrow morning will be bittersweet – back to my guys but leaving my new extended pack.

FRIDAY – APRIL 16, 2010

Left Daphneyland this morning at 8:30 AM among tears and hugs (both people and hounds). Made a wrong turn in LA - grrr - GPS saved my butt. Waiting in Chicago now for connecting flight to Toledo. Anxious to see my hounds but missing the hounds of

Daphneyland. Talked to Dawn – she said Blue Sam was looking for me ... sob!

Got home at about midnight and time to love on my boys, who were kind of “ho-hum, mom’s home” when I woke them up. This has been an unbelievably fantastic experience and I will do it again! The scenery is beautiful but VERY rugged. The work is hard and heart-breaking, but oh so rewarding. The hounds are happy, loved, well-cared for and delightful. Hugs to the hounds, hugs and kudos to Dawn and all the volunteers I met this week.



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A donation to BaRNI is tax deductible and we will be happy to send a donation acknowledgement.

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Firstgiving at some of our current pages accepting donations (or create your own!)

Surviving the Adoption of a Puppy

Part 2 - If I Only Had a Brain

By Bruce Garvin

All owners of basset hound puppies long for the day the big brown truck arrives.

Yes, that's right! On July 4th, my firecracker basset pup Gunner turned three years old.

You ask: "What does a brown truck have to do with a basset turning 3?" Well, the driver in brown delivered the most precious package marked "Contents: Basset Brain - HANDLE WITH CARE - PERISHABLE"!

Gunner has always been on the cutting edge. He chewed on my cell phone JUST prior to the calling plan expiration (free phone) - TWICE! (Who knows what smells linger on the phone). Recently he decided it was time for new flooring and turned a loose carpet strand into a tear one yard square.

I must admit he does protect me from the evil twin that resides in the smoked glass of the audio-visual cabinet.

I understand if you multiply the dog's age by seven, it will be the equivalent in human years. Hmm - Do puppies and teenagers have something in common?

On the night of July 4th I celebrated as Gunner will be dreamed of rabbits with his dream bubble... this time filled.

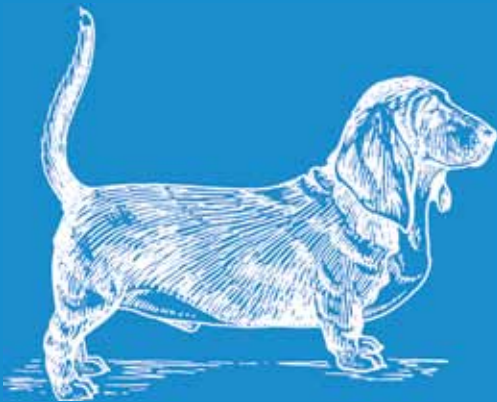


Romeo and Ramon

Romeo is a pup that was saved from a dumpster and is now ready to be adopted.

Ramon is our newest kennel assistant, and he works his patootie off for the hounds!

Ramon & Romeo have a special bond, and Ramon was so very sad to hear Romeo is being adopted this weekend.



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“Our love for basset hounds started over 20 years ago”. That’s how Susan and Alvin Crown describe how they became basset hound slaves. After Delilah came Samson then Venus, Juliet and Aphrodite. They moved to 5 acres in Acton so they would have more space for the dogs to run and play. “That’s when we started really getting involved in rescue” according to Alvin. “We remember getting phone calls about bassets at the Lancaster shelter, that’s when I would go and bail them out of jail. As we left the shelter I

would say “We’re breaking out”. Over the years they had about a dozen rescues and fosters and it was always hard when they went off to their forever homes. Susan remembers one memorable phone call. “I remember the time I was home sick and got a call from Dawn. They had a female and her 4 week old litter of basset hound puppies that had been dumped in the desert and asked if we would be willing to raise them until they could be placed in good homes. We knew how much work raising a litter of bassets was going to be but also knew it was the right thing to do. It was one of the most rewarding things we have ever done. Mom and all her pups were placed into loving homes with the help of the rescue and their great volunteers.”

When Susan retired she started a pet supplies website called www.BestDiscountPetSupplies.com and started to think about how she could help raise money for rescue organizations. “We came up with a great program! Whenever someone makes a purchase on our website and enters a coupon code 10% of the sale is donated to the rescue and the buyer gets a 5% discount too. This is a win-win situation for everyone and we hope to raise lots of money to help the dogs”.

Please visit www.BestDiscountPetSupplies.com and use the coupon code “BARNI” when you check out and you, the rescue and dogs will benefit.

In Memory of Mariah Forever loved by Dawn of the West

Thought of you with love today, but that is nothing new.
I thought about you yesterday, and days before that too.
I think of you in silence, I often speak your name.
All I have are memories and a picture in a frame.
Your memory is a keepsake, with which I'll never part.
God has you in His keeping, I have you in my heart.



Dedicated to Mariah

My paws are wiping the tears that won't stop pouring from my eyes. Mariah was my friend, my playmate, my mentor and so much more.

I met Mariah upon my arrival at Daphneyland and our friendship blossomed when we immediately realized we were a mirror image of each other. The only difference was a small white area on each of our noses on opposite sides. Mariah and I spent countless hours amusing ourselves by confusing Auntie Dawn and visitors to Daphneyland. Mariah taught me how to play and she taught me the ways of being a Diva. Little did I know that my Mom had seen pictures of Mariah from the time she arrived at Daphneyland and had fallen in love with her. One day, Auntie Dawn called my Mom and told her that Mariah's mirror image had arrived at Daphneyland. That phone call set into action a plan that would change my life forever.

When Auntie Dawn told us that my Dad was flying to California to potentially adopt me, Mariah sat me down and told me how to win him over. She told me all about climbing up into his lap, nuzzling his neck, every little trick she knew and it worked. When my Dad was at Daphneyland, he met Mariah and was charmed by her personality and had the opportunity to play with her. Mom had given Dad instructions to try to sneak Mariah into the crate with me when he flew home but Auntie Dawn was wise to Mom's wish and she double and triple checked the crate. It was hard to leave Daphneyland but Mariah told me to be happy, I had a forever home where I would be loved and she was happy for me.

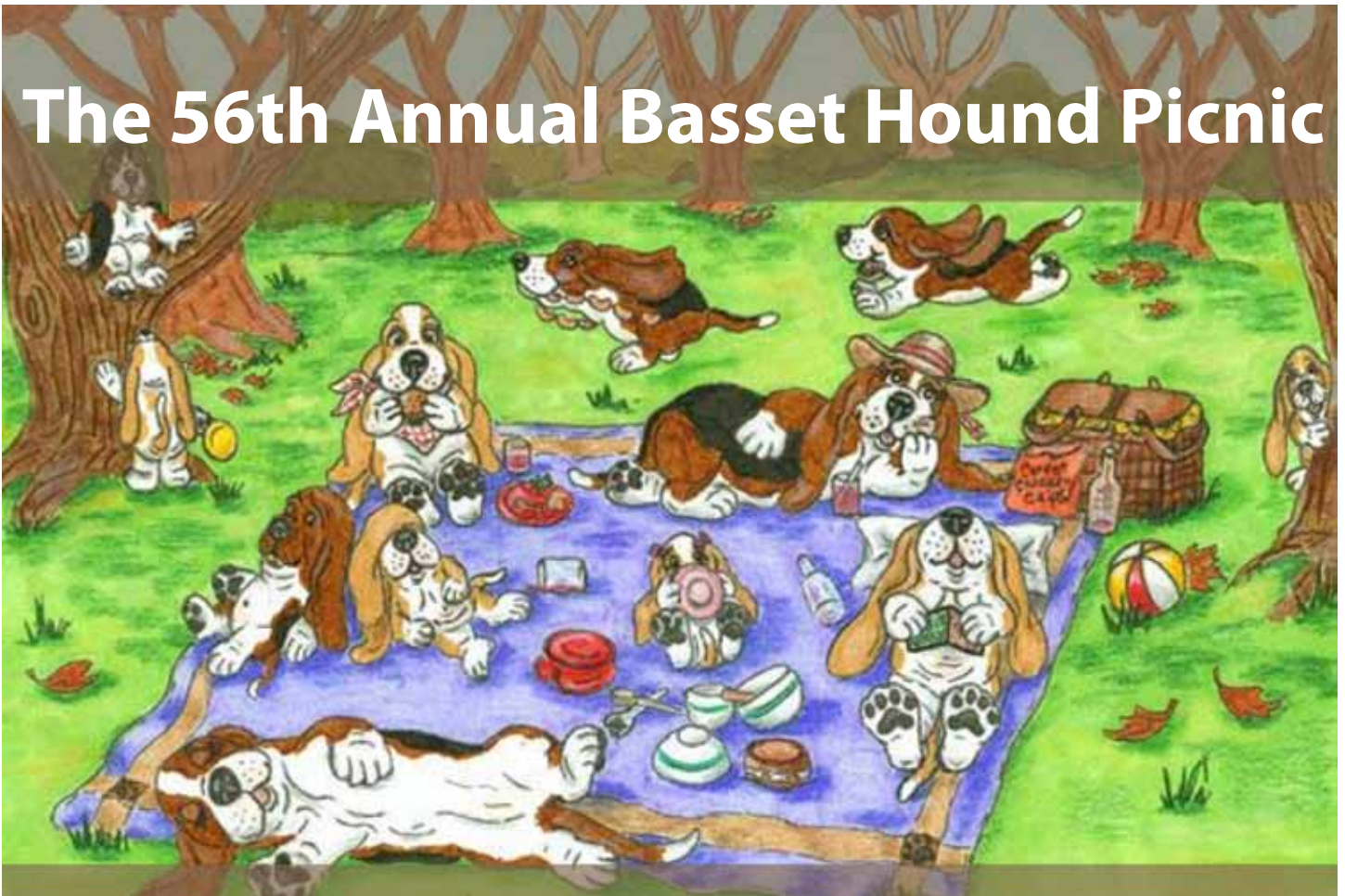
When we arrived at my new home, my Dad carried me into the house and my Mom took one look at me and said that although I had already been named Megan, I would always be known as Megan Mariah.

And Mariah, my dearest friend, I will not forget you, nor will my Dad and Mom. The candles have been lit and prayers have been said for you. Now you sleep with the angels.

This is dedicated to you, my friend, with love,

Megan Mariah • Bob & Marie Radebaugh

The 56th Annual Basset Hound Picnic



October 24, 2010 • Arcadia Park • 10am



The Basset Hound Club of Southern California raises awareness of the companion animal and human bond by promoting a family event and promoting Basset Hound rescue. Pet enthusiasts enjoy a fun-filled day, to celebrate the quirky, lovable breed of dog with long ears and highly developed sense of smell (second only to the Blood Hound). Contests include howling, best costume, best trick, saddest face, tail wagging, most wrinkles, longest ears and more plus a variety of demonstrations and games which every hound and hound lover will howl in delight over.

When: Sunday, October 24, 2010 – 10:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Where: Arcadia Park, Santa Anita Avenue & Huntington Drive, Arcadia, CA 91007

Free attendance, parking and Parade of Rescue. An all-day pass to enter all contests is \$10 for the first basset, and \$5 for each additional hound owned by the same family. Lunch can be purchased for \$5 (hotdog, chips and drink) or \$6 for a jumbo hot dog.

80% of the Club's net proceeds will be donated to local Basset Hound rescue organizations to save and find adoptive homes for the hounds. 20% will be used by the Club in it's efforts to educate the public in responsible dog ownership and the characteristics of the Basset Hound breed.

Registration Forms Available at www.BHCSC.com



Puppies Currently Available

Henrietta, a very pretty 9 month old, emaciated basset/springer spaniel little girl, came into rescue at Daphneyland VERY pregnant. On March 22, 2010, 10 days after arriving, Henrietta delivered 11 puppies (two were stillborn). Being so close to St. Patrick's Day, the litter has been dubbed the Lucky Charm litter and their names are Irish. Henrietta and the puppies will be looking for "forever homes" in the near future.

Check out the Adoptions section of www.daphneyland.org



◀ Alana is a sweet, chubby and laid-back kind of little girl. As the puppies were being weaned and Alana patiently waited until the others "take a break" then she went in for the BIG CHOW DOWN.



◀ Cara (meaning Love) is certainly a "love". Cara is a quiet little girl but holds her own among her littermates. Her sweet little spaniel face and basset body loves to snuggle with any available person.

Danny Boy is a spit-fire charmer little boy. ▶ He was the first born of the litter and continues to lead the way for the other pups. Danny Boy really gets into eating. Literally. He gets right into the food!



The name Neala ▶ means 'champion' or "victor" in Gaelic. Neala and her littermates are growing quickly and very interested in exploring their expanding world.



◀ Iona is a cuddly little red and white girl. She is confident and outgoing and doesn't take any guff from the other puppies. She loves to be held and certainly loves to chow down.



◀ Piper is a sweet little red and white girl with long basset ears with curly spaniel fur. Too cute for words. Piper has sweet personality and loves being cuddled – at least for a minute or two!





Seamus (Celtic for James) is rapidly developing into a "leader" of this little pack. Seamus loves to play with his littermates and his best buddy is Danny Boy.



Shauna (meaning Gift of God) is a sweet little girl. Shauna has begun to learn "teamwork" as she and her littermates have breached containment by working together to knock over their xpen!



Teagan (meaning Attractive) certainly lives up to her name. At six weeks old, Tegan is developing "diva" qualities and loves to be held and cuddled.

The Lucky Charm litter are basset/Springer spaniel mixes with sweet dispositions and charming personalities.

These puppies are currently available.

Check out the website for adoption information (daphneyland.org).



Daphneyland's Basset Beach Waddle

Save the Date: September. 19, 2010

Waddle with Us at Santa Monica Pier

Please register for the upcoming waddle which is being ran in conjunction with Best Friends Sanctuary's "Strut Your Mutt" Parade in Santa Monica on September 19, 2010!

Imagine 100+ basset hounds in beach attire enjoying the Pier, Palisades Park and each others company! What a great way to spend a September day - beaching it with bassets!

The Hounds of Daphneyland really need your support right now more than ever! Donations to this event go directly to the hounds, and ensure they have a roof over their heads, food, vet care and daily playtimes etc. Help bring awareness to the homeless hound! Register today to walk with your basset as well as bring awareness to the homeless hounds - seeking adoptive families!

Register for the event at: <http://bestfriends.donordrive.com/team/daphneyland>

“New” Transportation Van for the Hounds



Good fortune has smiled upon BARNI in the form of a “new” transportation van for the hounds. Purchased from Guide Dogs for the Blind, it’s in excellent condition, with very low mileage; a custom-built animal transportation van that’s 9 feet long, 6.5 feet tall, with 12 built-in kennels for a comfortable ride for both driver and hounds. Just purchased mid-June, view the photo and see how comfy Tucker finds the kennel. He’s a big ‘ol boy and has plenty of room for his ride. The driver sits up higher than in a car to get a good view of the road, has plenty of room and is able to easily keep an eye and ear on any hounds being transported.

In addition to providing transportation for a variety of reasons (remember the very close call with the Station fires?), the van is a win-win in multiple ways; first, the obvious safety features for the hounds and transporters and, second, it’s a great opportunity for advertising. BaRNI is seeking banner advertisement for the van. Specifically, a sponsor can have their custom-designed vinyl wrap on the van for 24/7 advertising - - wherever the van goes, your advertising is out there for all to see! How does it work? It’s pretty simple: a sponsor pays \$2,000 plus an estimated cost of \$700 and up for the vinyl wrap ad. This is a 1-year contract that can be renewed with the same advertising or the sponsor can up-date as needed. A howling good opportunity!

For information on how you can become a sponsor, please contact:
Dawn Smith, 661-269-2682, basset911@aol.com

Senior Adoption Unadoptable Me?



So many emergencies have been focused on in the last few months, that I proudly share with you a feel good, what rescue truly means, tear jerker story. Grab a Kleenex, a warm cup and your honey and read along.....

2007. 15 year old basset taken to Camarillo shelter - owner had died and the family could not take.

Unadoptable. 15 years is old for anyone, yet this hound had been sadly neglected for some time. Gray hair, bad teeth, abscesses and cysts galore. Junior came to the ranch.

Every day with Junior has been a blessing. Always happy to greet you with a kiss and a jump. Working on health issues Junior blossomed. His coat came in - black and sable. His cysts removed and the ones left shrunk and are barely noticeable.

As his sight worsened with age, his energy level grew. Junior blossomed at the ranch. Potential adoptive families would ooh and ahh - but then the age question came up - 15 years old, then 16 years old..... 17 and now facing 18. 18 years of absolute glory. The Ranch hound our Junior.

Today an email - we are facing bad weather coming in, had snow yesterday and its below freezing - the email said "I have Gina and Trapper and I adore them - I want to give a home to a senior - I can have 3 - thus I would like to adopt Junior to remind me how young my 8 year olds are." I had a simple response - come on up.

Upon her arrival this afternoon we couldn't find Junior..... well of course not. Junior was napping in front of the dryer, smart senior gent that he is. Everyone knows a senior is the best EVER, seasoned to perfection.

Rita and I were able to stand together and cry as Junior, tail flying high took shotgun position in his new carriage and zoomed off the ranch. He's just an unadoptable dog.

Just an 18 year old hound who scored a Home for the Holidays.

May your home have a perfectly senior hound to season the holidays with.



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Is That a Basset?



As ranch visitors know, at any given time we have 20 - 25 mixes or other breeds available here at Daphneyland. Usually we have these amazingly wonderful canines due to a breed identification mishap. When we are contacted by shelters, owners or net workers who tell us we have a few minutes to decide to save a life, sometimes the person calling believe they have a basset when in fact it may be a mix or other breed. Hard to imagine I know, but come and visit Otto, Murray, Petie, Dusty - and you'll see what we mean. It's harder to adopt an "other Breed" here in Basset Rescue, and we are highlighting these kids to get more exposure for them in the hopes of finding forever homes.

Will - a Lab mix is a special networking case. Originally at the shelter for over a year as an evidence dog, Will and his pal Chance were to be put to sleep. Imagine, a year in a shelter while the courts decided your fate, finally a settlement and then no one wants you! Our networking partner Basic Needs Foundation stepped up to the plate and found funding for them. Chance has found a home and now Will is looking for his!

A loving boy, Will wants a toy to play with, a yard with really high fences to keep his energy up - and a good ear scratch and bellyrubs to call his own. Will does have high prey drive and should be an only canine, however from time to time Will decides he wants to play with some friends and jumps his yard fence to mosey around with a few hounds! A giant lap dog, Will deserves a chance at happiness after all he has been through. Labeled a Pit mix, Will has Lab in him too and really is a charmer. Do you know a friends or family member who has a sofa just Will's size? He'll share it!

Believe

Release me now

With silvery wings

Up to where

The Angel sings

I was Loved

And my life was long

With warm bed and food

I sang my happiness song

You came to me years ago

When others threw me out

It was so hard to trust you

I was filled with so much doubt

I became your constant companion

And now it's time for me to leave

I know that you will be just fine

You need just to believe

We will meet again when time is right

Where the grass is green upon a ridge

Just look for me, sitting and waiting

For you at the Rainbow Bridge.

By Janis Wetherbee 2010

Dedicated to Dawn Smith and all Rescuers who have lost a beloved furchild



Daphneyland Hounds on Wine Bottles

Bodie, Maggie, Draco, Blue Sam, Jefferson, Colt and Chance are featured on the labels!! BaRNI gets \$7.00 per bottle purchased! So enjoy a glass and help the hound.

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Volunteer Spotlight



We are Jim, Sherrie, Chase (our basset), and Middy (our cat) Strachan. We are Daphneyland volunteers and feel honored to be in this month's newsletter.

Sherrie is a retired Systems Analyst from A.V Hospital and I am a Purchasing/inventory Control Manager for Nu-Hope Laboratories in the San Fernando Valley. We live on an acre on the east of Lancaster.

We are rescuers and animal rights advocates and helpers.

My 120 mile /day trip keeps me from doing much weekdays but Sherrie and I are involved in all the major functions and I use equipment from our property to assist in brush clearance and maintenance at the Ranch.

Sherrie tries to spend at least two days a week helping with feeding and bleach down etc. etc. She also bakes approx 120 cookies every Wednesday for our fur babies and makes 30 to 50 baskets for the Hoedown.

Early on we were with BHRSC until we discovered Daphneyland. We still have a good relation and I do home visits for them as I can.

We used to be involved in all types of high dollar hobbies such as Cross Desert motorcycle racing and "xtreme" rock crawling with our custom built Jeep.

That is all history now and all our satisfaction is derived from helping those wonderful critters that cannot speak or help themselves. I personally can die happily ever after knowing that I have helped save some Houndies, and other animals from cruelty and neglect.

Hope to see you at the "Ranch",

J&S



Basset Hound Field Trials

By Dan Hickey



The day dawned overcast, cool and dry. This was a far cry from the deluge the night before. It was ideal weather for a field trial. Eight dogs and seven bitches, their owners and the just curious were there to find out exactly what Basset Hounds did when they actually had a job all those years ago. 7:30 am was roll call and close of entries. First dogs and then bitches were paired into braces by random drawing. Then it was off into the fields to find some rabbits. As specified in the premium list dogs went first.

The gallery (every able body) slowly walked through the field making noise and literally “beating the bushes” to flush a rabbit from hiding. Soon there was the call “Tally Ho!” The first bunny had been sighted. After a few sniffs the leads were slipped and the dogs were on their own to follow and find that rabbit. Each dog was evaluated as to how well they pursued the hunt. The winner from each brace moved on to the second series. This would happen again and again till there were four placements and a next best qualified (NBQ).

After an early pot luck lunch and some conversation it was back to the field to test the girls. With more experience and better coordination the rabbits came quicker in the afternoon. “Tally Ho!” and another brace got their chance to follow their noses.

Yes, they once did have a job and our bassets can still do the work if given a chance. By the way we do not catch or kill any bunnies.

The Basset Hound Club of Southern California conducts two Basset Field Trials a year, One in February and again in November. While there are classes for AKC registered dogs and bitches with points towards a Field Championship, there are also non-regular classes for Field Champions and for any PAL/ILP dog (this means you and your dog). Each class placement gets ribbons and medallions.

Any Basset Hound that cannot be AKC registered may apply for the PAL/ILP program. With a PAL number you can compete in AKC companion events and non-regular Field Trial classes www.akc.org/reg/ilpex.cfm for more info. Check the Basset Hound Club website for upcoming events and contact me to be included in the Premium List mailing. www.bhscsc.com

TALLY HO!

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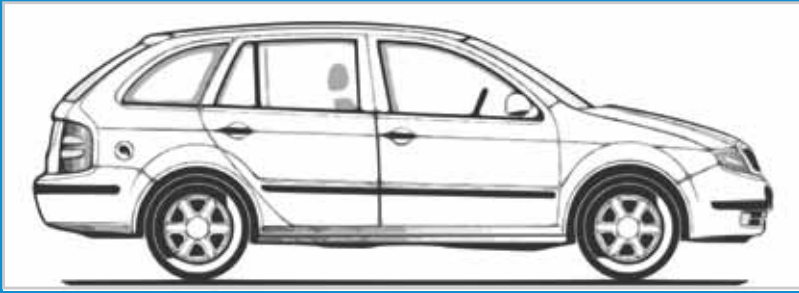
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2010 Wish List

The following items are needed to help the hounds and stretch the donated dollar:

Have a small fuel efficient car you are thinking of replacing? Would you consider donating it?

Free Standing Kennel Runs - our new yards have been used several times this year in emergency situations such as the GEBR intake of 13 hounds before the 4th of July - would you consider sponsoring emergency good weather runs for these yards? Several times we have had to do intakes of multiple dogs, and during good weather, these runs would be invaluable. Cost: \$6,000.00

- Kirkland (Costco) Dog Biscuits
(1 box per day)
- Bleach (3 gallons per day)
- Paper Towels
- Toilet Paper
- Fragrance free laundry detergent
(1 large container per week)
- 33 gallon drawstring trash bags
- Honey
- Canned chicken breast
- Long grain white rice
- Simple Green
- Leashes
- Dish Soap
- Liquid Hand Soap
- Vitamin C
- Cranberry Capsules
- 2% or less Saline solution
- Rubbing Alcohol
- Gentian Violet
- Boric Acid

Does Daphneyland still do boarding?



The answer is yes. Although we have merged Daphneyland and BaRNI in order to be more effective and less confusing to all our supporters and friends, there are 5 boarding spots available for bassets (or some others - depending on the size and social standing of the canine in question). Boarding continues to be the way we pay for minimal incidentals such as telephone, internet, temporary kennel help when volunteers cannot be found, etc.

Although our primary focus is the hounds and thus drop off and pick up have to be coordinated around the existing hounds daily routines. You won't find a better price on boarding, and your furkids are allowed to play and exercise with all the hounds if they are able. Boarding rates continue to be: \$20.00 per dog per day to general public, \$15.00 per dog per day to our adoptive homes, \$10.00 per dog per day if you volunteer for 8 hours monthly (minimum requirement of 3 months). Contact Basset911@aol.com if you have the need to board a hound!



Why do Basset Hounds look the way they do?

It's no accident and it wasn't St. Hubert's joke on the world.

By Dan Hickey

In an earlier time there wasn't a supermarket on every crossroads. If you didn't grow it or capture it yourself, you didn't eat it. France was covered in forests. Small game was plentiful BUT, it was difficult for you to see, hear or smell your intended dinner guests. Rabbits hid in the heavy undergrowth and were difficult to reach or snare even when you did spot them. Man needed some serious help, a companion with special abilities. Hunters knew they couldn't easily see a small animal hiding in the forest or hear an animal standing still, but scent was always there and it could be followed if the animal moved. So it was a small leap to have a dog as a hunting companion. One could breed the dogs to enhance their abilities and have the best hunting attributes:

1. a superb sense of smell – in all dogdom, second only to the bloodhound. The nose, head shape, flews and long ears all contribute to this fantastic ability thousand of times more sensitive and accurate than our own. No matter how good we think they can smell, it's actually better than that.
2. a compact body – able to go almost anywhere through the countryside and forests in pursuit of small game.

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3. a loose skin and coarse, short coat – In an era before Teflon, the basset coat was designed to be non-stick. Following game through heavy brush or thorns or fallen tree limbs is no problem. Briars and brambles will not snag or hang up the basset as he moves through the forest.
 4. an independent nature – to perform without constant human direction. While many breeds are very obedient they also require human direction. The basset understands his mission and can independently solve problems as they arise.
 5. perseverance – (today we often call this stubbornness) to never give up in the pursuit. Even when it is uncomfortable or painful a basset must be able to complete the hunt (or open that refrigerator door). Bassets are stoic about pain. They will pursue the hunt, find the lost trail, cruise the counter for extended periods until they succeed.
 6. have a pack mentality – to co-exist with other dogs and people. On a hunt, multiple dogs improve your chances of success. They have to get along and work cooperatively. In historic times large packs of multiple dogs lived together and worked things out. Today we usually must assist in their socialization.
 7. stamina – to be able to walk and hunt the whole day. A barrel chest cavity to protect the large heart and lungs which distribute oxygen and nutrients. . Massive hind quarters to propel the dog great distances. Efficient front and rear construction to cover ground while conserving energy. In historic times, taking the dog for a walk might be a six hour hunt in the (unpaved) forest.
 8. short legs – to walk with humans on foot and stay close, to be closer to the ground where the scent trails are and to get into (and out of) tight places.

And voilà, we have a Basset Hound. Without a job, she may look a bit strange, but a better, more efficient hunting companion you will not find.

Basset Hounds often rank low on the doggy intelligence tests you see in the magazines or on-line. There's nothing wrong with the dog, the test is at fault. The tests revolve around a dog being reactive and interactive with people or responding to irritation quickly. While knowing a breed's reaction to these tests, can be interesting or useful, we learn nothing of the dog's intelligence. Putting a towel on a dogs head and counting the seconds it takes to shake it off doesn't say much about a breed which can smell and operate with or without the towel and which stoically adapts to obstacles without freaking out. A basset might not react at all to this. Score one for the dog and zero for the test.

If you want to see your couch potato Basset clown turn into an all business hunter and show her true nature (and have great fun at the same time) take her tracking or to a field trial. Spend quality time outdoors and develop a new relationship with your basset friend. Contact the Basset Hound Club of Southern California www.bhcsc.com . We do lots of activities with our bassets and we'd love to help.

Basset Rescue Network (Inc) at Daphneyland

Profit & Loss Statement Year Ending 12/31/09

Income:

• Adoption Income	24,260.00
• Grant Income	23,281.53
• Insurance Refund	206.40
• Fire Fund	21,850.00
• Hoe Down Income	5,380.70
• Picnic Income	3,525.00
• Run Sponsorship	1,500.00
• Senior Center Donations	600.00
• General Donations	77,929.00

Total Income: **158,534.63**

Expense:

• Adoption refund	100.00
• Advertisement & Promo	926.35
• Automotive	
Gas	382.67
Insurance	798.90
Registration	265.00
Repairs	180.00
• Bank Service Charges	114.00
• Business Insurance	3,857.80
• Dog Expenses	
Shipping	120.00
Supplies	1,217.48
Avid chips	1,120.88
Bail fee's	115.00
Rehabilitation & boarding	43,384.39
Cremation	2,895.00
Dog Food	20,772.66
Vet Expenses	0,673.90
• Dues & Subscriptions	319.90
• Equipment purchase	180.61
• Kennel supplies	607.28
• Medical expenses	500.00
• Office supplies	425.23
• Postage	433.21
• Professional Fees	
Consultant	3,304.13
Accounting & Legal	1,079.75
• Repairs	
Debris removal	74.50
Generator Hook-up	1,800.00
Golf Cart Battery	301.50
Kennel Repairs	361.91
Well pump repairs (Blizzard)	2,209.31

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• Sanitation	543.00
• Septic System	365.00
• Tax & License	75.00
• Utilities	
Electric	6,005.00
Gas	349.08
Total Expense:	-115,858.43
Net Profit:	42,676.20

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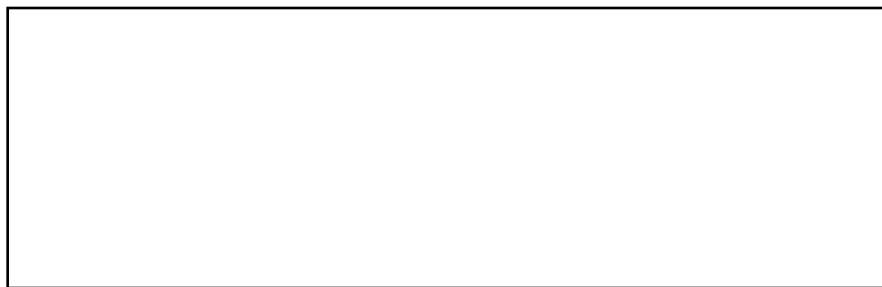
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