

THE LOWDOWN

Potomac Basset Hound Club

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Details on Upcoming Events

Sanctioned B Match, Fun Match, & Meeting- Will be held on September 15th at the home of Joan Porter.

Please see flyers on Page 4 and 5 for more information!

Directions to Joan Porter's house (6446 Fieldstone Lane, Rhoadesville, VA 22542):

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For more information, call Joan Portner: 540-854-0674

Brood Ramble: PBHC will be offering nail trims for donations to BROOD again this year. The Ramble will be held at Frying Pan Park in Fairfax, Virginia on September 22nd. Please mark your calendars and help if you can!

Upcoming Events

August 24 - Susquehanna
BHC Specialty in Red Lion, PA

September 15 - Sanctioned B
Match & Fun Match, with
meeting to follow. Held at the
home of Joan Porter.

September 22 - Brood Ramble
at Frying Pan Park

September 28 & 29 - Fall
Specialty with the Warrenton
Kennel Club.

September 30 - Old Dominion
Kennel Club

November 17 - Meeting at the
England Run Library in
Fredericksburg at 10 am. This
meeting will be streamed on
Google Hangouts.

December 29 - Club Holiday
Party will be held at the home
of Melinda Brown, beginning
at 12pm. Bring a dish to share
and a gift for the exchange!

Fall Specialty with the Warrenton Kennel Club: Our designated Fall Specialty held with the Warrenton Kennel Club will be held on Friday, September 28th and Saturday, September 29th at Historic Long Branch Park in Millwood, Virginia. Friday will feature a PBHC Supported Entry, and the Judge is Rosalind Kramer. Saturday will feature a PBHC designated Specialty. Our Specialty judge will be Ronald S.F. Mahon from Canada, and the Sweepstakes Judge will be Robin Snell.

Nationals: PBHC is offering a club raffle basket at the Nationals. We have a custom grooming table to start and would love any donations to add to it. Suggestions include: shampoo, scissors, brushes, mink oil, towels, nail clippers, dog bed, crate pad, the bottle of wine you need after you do the nails, toys, and treats. Please bring any donations to the September meetings. Devon Merritt will deliver the items to the nationals.

Nationals will be held in Chicago this year, from Friday, September 28th to Friday, October 4th. A general overview of events is as follows:

Friday (9/28) - TD & TDX Tests; Hunt Test.

Saturday (9/29) - Field Trials; Rescue Activities.

Sunday (9/30) - Field Trials; TDU & VST; Afternoon Speciality - Badgerland BHC.

Monday (10/1) - Fort Deaborn Speciality; BHCA Obedience / Rally; Educational Event; Welcome Party

Tuesday (10/2) - BHCA Obedience / Rally; AM - Sweepstakes; PM - Futurity/Maturity

Wednesday (10/3) - Education Event; Agility 2 Trials; Scent Work (AM); All Dog Classes (PM)

Thursday (10/4) - All Bitch Classes; Annual Meeting

Friday (10/5) - Judges Seminar; Parade of Veterans; Jr. Showmanship; Intersex Competition; Annual Awards Dinner

For more information, please visit: <http://2018bhcanationals.com/>

Spring Field Trial Season in the East Concludes in Grand Style

by Ellen Ripper

The Niagara Beagle Club in Alexander, NY was the site of a 3 day Hunting Performance Test (HPT) held by the Capital District and Pilgrim BH Clubs. This was the grand finale to the basset Spring field season in the East.

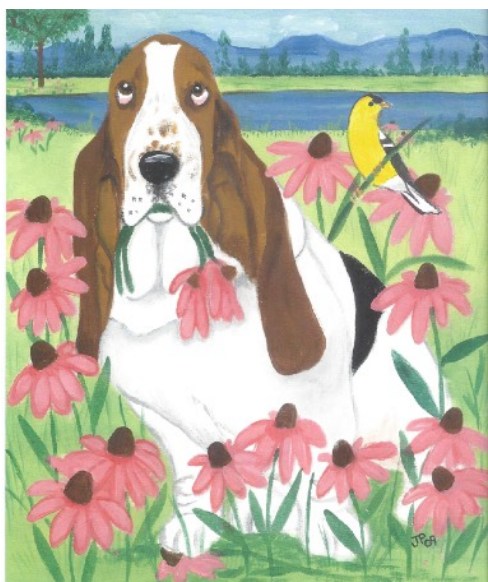
From June 15 to 17, thirty bassets and one beagle competed in hot, humid conditions. It was a real test of the hound's ability to not only find the rabbit but run it for up to a half hour.

The packs were a delight to watch—four dogs working together. The first one was a family affair with mama Alli owned by Bill Forrest from New Hampshire and her three kids Bitsy, Razzi and Charlie, bred by Nancy Richmond from Massachusetts. The second pack made up of 7 month olds, three litter sisters and one brother owned by Michael and Miriam Teft also from Massachusetts. were running in their first HPT. These pups put a smile on everyone's faces as we watched them try to figure out this new game.

Fireball completed her run with a qualifying score in Solo to earn the coveted Hunting Hound title. Fireball is out of Dual Champion/Grand Field Champion Homer and Dual Champion Jemma owned by Pat and John Meahl of Garner, NC, and currently owned by Ellen Ripper. The Solo events were followed by the Braces. After all of the events, the Niagara club provided generous and delicious hospitality tables.

The fabulous food, friendly competition, and lots of rabbits were a wonderful way to bring to a close a spirited 2018 Spring Trial Season in the East.

Look for photos of the above along with more detail in an upcoming Tally-Ho!



Art Credit: Joan Porter

Breeding Factoid

Did you know that after a bitch ovulates, the eggs “mature” for another 72 hours before fertilization occurs?



Potomac Basset Hound Club

**AKC SANCTIONED B MATCH
SATURDAY, September 15, 2018**

LOCATION:

HOME OF JOAN PORTNER IN RHOADESVILLE VA (Directions below)
6446 Fieldstone Lane, Rhoadesville, VA 22542

REGISTRATION:

ALL ENTRIES: 9 – 10 AM
CONFORMATION JUDGING STARTING AT THE 10:30 AM

ENTRY FEES:

\$10 FOR CONFORMATION

BREED:

PUPPIES (DOGS & BITCHES) 4-6 months, 6-9 months, 9-12 months; 12-18 months; OPEN; VETERAN (over 7 years)
Puppies must be fully inoculated. All classes divided by sex.

SHOW OFF YOUR DOG

Champions and Dogs with major points will be eligible for an Exhibition ONLY Class.

JUDGE:

Casey Gonda, DVM

AWARDS: Prizes will be given for BOB and BOS: Puppy and Adult. Best in Exhibition: Gift Basket.

DIRECTIONS: Portner Home – 6446 Fieldstone Lane, Rhoadesville, VA 22542

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Phone Number: 703-501-8160

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PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN LUNCH – SODAS AND WATER WILL BE PROVIDED.



FRIENDS OF POTOMAC BASSET HOUND CLUB

FUN MATCH AND PICNIC

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2018

ACTIVITIES FOR YOU AND YOUR DOG:
BEAUTY CONTEST FOR PETS. FUN CLASSES. & COMPETITION

BRING YOUR OWN PICNIC LUNCH
Sodas will be provided

LOCATION: JOAN PORTNER'S HOME IN RHOADESVILLE VA (between Fredericksburg and Culpepper
(Directions below) **6446 Fieldstone Lane, Rhoadesville, VA 22542**

TIME: ALL ENTRIES: 10 AM - 12 NOON
FUN CLASSES TO FOLLOW CONFORMATION JUDGING.
PICNIC - ANYTIME

BEAUTY CONTEST (Entry Fee \$5): (Conformation for Pets). All dogs must be spayed or neutered (except puppies under 6 months and be up to date on shots).
PUPPIES, 4-12 MONTHS (DOGS & BITCHES)
ADULTS, over 1 YEAR (DOGS & BITCHES)
SENIORS, OVER 7 YEARS

FUN CLASSES (Entry Fee \$1)

The following fun classes will be judged following the judging of Beauty Competition. They will be judged in the order given:

Puppy Dash
Closest to the Ground
Longest ears
Most Freckles
Beloved Ugly
Fastest Biscuit Eater in the East (under 1 year and over 1 year)
Most Drool
Best Costume (judged by Gallery)

JUDGES: TBD

AWARDS: Prizes will be given for Best Pet and Best of Opposite Sex to Best Pet
Prizes will be given for Fun Class winners.

COST: \$5 Beauty Contest
\$1 for each of the fun classes.

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