



# The Lowdown

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Potomac Basset Hound Club

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## Upcoming Events and Announcements

### Next Meeting:

The next scheduled meeting will be Saturday, June 17 at 10 a.m. at the Stafford Library.

The annual meeting and picnic will be held on July 29 at the home of Joan Portner. The meeting will begin at 11 a.m. with picnic to follow.

### Directions to the Portner's House:

*6446 Fieldstone Lane, Rhoadsville, VA 22542*

**From I-95 (North or South):** Exit on Rte 3 West to Culpeper at Fredericksburg, VA. Go approximately 13 miles to Wilderness and turn left at light onto Rt 20. Stay on Rt 20 about 10 miles and turn right on County Rd 692. Go about 2 miles and turn right onto 602, then take the next left onto Fieldstone Lane (gravel road). The house is at the end of the cul de sac, #6446 (see basset on gate).

**From Rt. 29:** Take 29 to Culpeper exit onto Rt. 3 East to Fredericksburg. Go approximately 18 miles to Wilderness and turn Right onto Rt. 20. Follow as above.

Phone Number: 703-501-8160

### Spring Specialty Show Updates:

The judge for the Spring Specialty will be Karen Wilson for regular and non-regular classes. The sweepstakes judge will be Erica Cross. Entries will close June 14. If you are on Facebook, we welcome you to join the **PBHC group** and share **this post** to help promote the upcoming show and get a sneak-peek at some of the prizes.

### National Judge Nomination Vote:

BHCA Members -- Don't forget to mail judge nominations for the 2024 Nationals. Nominations are due by May 15. The club is nominating Richard Nance as breed judge and Chris Irvine for sweepstakes. We urge all BHCA members to send in their nominations as well. See page 48 of the March/April edition of the Tally-Ho for details.

## Updates From the Field

### *From Ellen Ripper*

The 2023 Spring Field Trial season kicked off with Capital and Pilgrim B.H. Clubs small pack competition at the Towanda B.C. in Towanda, PA. A spirited two-day back-to-back weekend saw a nice entry for OAAD, Champions and OAAB.

One week later the brace trials began in Elizabethtown, PA at the Swatara B.C. Ken Engle and John Tirado judged the three classes. The Susquehanna B.H. Club trial had 21 entries. That Sunday, bitches completed three series in just under three hours. A first-time entry in the Dog class was Candice Spock and her Ch. Tom Foolery. Ellen Ripper's Fireside Bassets placed in both OAADs and Champions against some early season competition.

Next week the trials move to Flemington, NJ at the Central Jersey B.C.

See Tally-Ho for the results of this early Spring event on March 25-26.



*Right photo: Ellen on far right with Ch Fireball, MHH in the Champions class at Swatara Beagle Club for the Susquehanna BHC trial.*

*Left photo: Ellen with Snowball in the Open All Age Dog class at the Swatara Beagle Club in Elizabethtown, PA.*

## Braggs



March was very productive for Tomas! He had 2 BOS at the Berkshire Valley Specialties on March 4. He did well in York, which included a BOB from Celeste Gonzalez on March 16. On March 25, his BOB from breeder judge Nicholas Frost completed his Bronze Grand Championship. Also earlier on March 5, his wife Hope gave birth to 9 beautiful puppies... with Number Ten arriving by C-section on March 10.

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CH Saggy Bottom's Sassy Lil' Love Bug of Zen CGCA CGCU FDC TKI VHMA FITS had a very successful weekend in Timonium, MD. On Saturday April 22, Sassy celebrated her 2nd birthday by being Best of Winners and Best of Opposite Sex for 2 points under judge Rosalind Kramer. On Sunday April 23, judge James J Mitchell awarded her Winners Bitch and Best of Opposite Sex for a 4-point major to finish her Championship!

Sassy is proudly owned and handled by Sam Helton and was bred by Dan Pegelow.

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