# **The Latest Wrinkle**

Summer 2020

# 2020 BCGS Officers

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#### **BCGS JULY MEETING**

Reminder that the July 11 BCGS Club meeting will be held on Saturday, starting at 3:00 pm, via Zoom.



There is a lot of information about how people can keep themselves and their family safe from COVID-19, but how about your pets.

"You're doing all you can to keep your family safe during the coronavirus pandemic, but your fur babies are just as important. In a new pet safety video, located at <u>http://www.petproductnews.com/News/FDA-Shares-Safety-Tips-About-COVID-19-and-Pets-in-New-Video/</u>, published June 19, 2020, "At this time, the risk of pets spreading the virus that causes COVID-19 in people is considered low, but it does appear that people can give the virus to animals with preliminary research showing that cats and ferrets are more likely to get the virus than dogs."

Until more is known about how this virus affects animals, The FDA advise people to treat pets as they would any of their human family members to protect them from a possible infection. This includes:

- Don't let pets interact with people or other animals outside the household
- Keep cats indoors when possible to prevent them from interacting with other animals or people
  - Walk dogs on a leash maintaining at least 6 feet from other people and animals
  - Avoid dog parks or public places where a large number of people and dogs gather
- "If your pet gets sick or you have any concerns about your pet's health, talk to your veterinarian,"

Helpful Questions and Answers about Coronavirus (COVID-19) and Your Pets, you can view on the below link

https://www.fda.gov/consumers/consumer-updates/helpful-questions-and-answers-about-coronavirus-covid-19-and-your-pets



Due To the COVID-19 Outbreak and the Stay Safe/Stay Home Order, Several of the Events and Shows have been canceled and/or TBD

- BCGS Specialty Show (canceled)
- SWOBC Specialty Show (canceled)
- Bulldog Races At Emerald Down (canceled)

# **BCGS Upcoming Meetings**

July 11 at 3:00 p.m. via Zoom August (TBD) September 12 at 2:00 p.m. after Slobberfest (date subject to change) TBD October 17 at 1:00 p.m. at TBD November 7 at 1:00 p.m. at TBD

# **Special Events:**

Wine and Design Paint Your Pet - November 7, 2020. Updates will be provided to those who previously signed up and paid.

Ice cream social: TBD. Grooming class: TBD. Fun Match/Potluck BBQ/Handling class in Sammamish: TBD. September – Slobberfest: Tentative September 12, 2020. October - Halloween Party: TBD. December – Christmas Party: TBD.

# **UPCOMING SHOWS**

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**General Meeting Minutes June 2020** 

The Bulldog Club of Greater Seattle

Monthly Meeting Minutes – June 20, 2020 – Virtual Zoom Meeting

Members Present: Citty Brugalette, Anthony Ortega, Dave and Cathy Harrington, Mia Carper, Joan Johnson, Brian Nolan, Sandy Fisher, Suzi & Abby Crickmore, Len & Trish Whitney, Ashley Wall

**Educational Instruction: None** 

Meeting Called to Order: 1:05 p.m.

CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING: Approved.

# **REPORTS OF THE OFFICERS:**

Report of President: David Harrington: Thank you for coming. I am looking forward to when we can get out and see everyone with their dogs. The Club is surviving through this crisis.

**Report of Vice President: Trish Whitney: N/A** 

Report of Secretary: Citty Brugalette: I received several inquiry emails through the Contact Us form on the website: one was looking for a vet recommendation in the Eastside area. I referred him to the Vet Recommendation page on our website and he said he found that after sending his email; one was looking for an orthopedic surgeon. I gave him some names of clinics that do surgeries; one was wanting to verify that breeder Val Valerie was a member of our Club as advertised on the AKC Marketplace. After checking our records, it was confirmed that this person has never been a member of BCGS; Past member Theresa Bakken inquired as to what organization she can make a cash donation to in honor of her Bulldogs. I told her BCGS supported and recommended Bulldog Haven NW; the last inquiry was from a person asking what the process was for joining BCGS.

Report of Treasurer: Sandy Fisher: For May, the only expense was \$350 to Patricia Shaw Specialty Show Services for her work through our cancellation date on the 2020 Specialty Show. For June to date, we have received the following income: \$20 new membership dues, \$100 general donation from Mia & Ron Carper (donated proceeds from Dave & Cathy Harrington's sale of a Doggie Lift to Mia) and a refund of \$135 from Marymoor Park for the May event that was cancelled. Our current balance is \$13,140.79. Our net loss for the year is \$2,745

with major expenditures of \$1,577 (net) for Bullycon shirts, \$545 for new canopy and \$765 in show expenses of which \$240 will be carried over to the AKC fees for 2021.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Activities (Mia Carper and Citty Brugalette): Do we want to try and find a location in Pierce County to have a puppy play date?

Website (Citty Brugalette): The home page of the website has now been reconfigured thanks to Dave's co-worker. The photos work when viewed on a desktop or on a mobile phone.

Public Education (Ashley Wall/Cathy Harrington): Ashley will go through the education material we currently have and see if we need to update anything.

Social Media (Mia Carper): N/A.

Newsletter (Vacant): Steve and Tracy Sheridan have been working on the summer edition. Citty Brugalette will check in with them.

Breeder Referral Committee (Joan Johnson): N/A

Legislation Liaison (Brian Nolan): AKC is tracking liability concerns over COVID-19.

Vacant Committees: Advertising, Ways and Means

# **ELECTION OF NEW MEMBERS: Julie Sterling**

# ELECTION OF NEW BREEDERS TO THE BREEDER REFERRAL PROGRAM: N/A

# UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Breed Booth: N/A

New BCGS merchandise (Aviator Bulldog): Sample tote bags were ordered. Shirts would consist of unisex//long sleeve. Due to the graphic design, a white shirt would look the best and that is what would be ordered but we can also do a pre-order/special order for a few select other colors. Sandy Fisher will get pricing on the tote bags and shirts. Citty Brugalette has some design options for mugs and tumblers. There are 2 designs. One has the Aviator Bulldog and text that says Bulldog Club of Greater Seattle and the other has the Aviator Bulldog with text that just says Seattle for those people that may not want to buy one with the Club

name. These designs will be discussed at the meeting and also emailed to all members to see which style mug/tumbler is liked the best.

Bullycon Merchandise: If anyone would like to purchase a t-shirt or sweatshirt, please contact Sandy Fisher at treasurer@bulldogclubofgreaterseattle.com to place an order. Mia will make a post on Facebook. Pricing does not include shipping costs, buyer will need to pay for shipping.

Event Locations: Paws-Abilities has closed so we will need to find a new location for our Halloween Party in 2020. Kent Family Dog (phone call and email were sent, never heard back) was mentioned as a possible venue and other locations should be looked at. Sammamish Valley Grange (\$110 an hour Saturday; \$75 an hour Sunday – 3 hour minimum), Cascade Kennels were also mentioned and need follow ups. It was discussed that as a last resort, we could have the Halloween party at Win-Star Bed & Biscuit (where the Christmas party is held). Sammamish Valley Grange does not offer a special price for non-profits.

Junior Handlers: Dave is looking for suggestions on how to promote this. AKC has a survey out regarding Junior Participation in the Sport (only 1 survey response per Club). Does anyone know of any 4H groups? Members can send the 4H groups a letter stating they have a dog(s) available. Dog needs to be co-owned with a junior.

Vet recommendations: Do you love your vet? Are they familiar with the Bulldog breed? If so, please email their name and location to Citty Brugalette at cbrugalette@gmail.com so they can be added to our list of Veterinarian Recommendations on our website.

Activities for 2020:

Paint Your Pet at Wine and Design in Snohomish: This event has now been rescheduled to November 7, 2020. Updates will be provided to those who previously signed up and paid.

Ice cream social: TBD.

Grooming class: TBD. Jay Serion has agreed to teach a grooming class.

Fun Match/Potluck BBQ/Handling class in Sammamish: TBD. Joan Johnson will host a fun match at her house that will be combine with a potluck BBQ. Jay Serion will teach a handling class if his schedule permits.

September – Slobberfest: Tentative date is scheduled for September 12. Bulldog Haven NW will co-host again. We are looking for volunteers to help with this event

as well as items to be donated for raffle baskets. Sandy Fisher received pamphlets from AKC to be put in the goodie bags.

October - Halloween Party: TBD.

December – Christmas Party: TBD.

BCGS Specialty Show 2021: Show Chairs: Sandy Fisher and Citty Brugalette

Date and Venue: Hotel RL Olympia on July 30, July 31 and August 1, 2021.

# of Shows: A motion was made and approved to have 6 shows in 2021.

Judges: Joan Johnson and Dave Harrington will put together a list of potential judges. Sandy Fisher emailed 2021 contracts to the Praegers and to George Lai and has not received responses yet. Does anyone have any ideas on who can be judges for 2021?

Show Theme: The Show theme is BullyCon and Superheros.

Advertising: The 2020 flyer will be updated to reflect 2021 information.

Trick Dog Certification: We would like to offer this again.

Best Puppy Award: Tamara Marcotte is supporting this award for five years with a \$100/year endowment. Tamara would like to keep the name as the Linda Borden Puppy Award. Does the Club still want to pay for the engraving? 4 slots are left. 2019 best puppy needs to be added (who won?).

Vendors: Will be accepting show vendors. Limit to 3-5 vendors due to space. Del Thornton with Rose City Pet Gear will be invited and BCGS will also have a booth. Any other potential vendors?

Sponsors: Dave Harrington will check with Northwest Naturals to inquire if they will sponsor in 2021. Ashbaugh Beal will sponsor \$250. Does anyone know of any other companies that would be interested in sponsoring? Sponsors will be recognized in catalog. Do we want to recognize anywhere else?

Catalog Advertising: We would like to offer catalog advertising this year.

Auction/Raffles: Anna Sullivan is the Auction Chair. Need items to be donated from members and vendors.

Fundraisers: Pot of Gold and Beer/Wine Pull.

Merchandise: The club has placed an order for Bullycon T-shirts, Crewneck Sweatshirts, Hoodies and Zip-Up Hoodie Sweatshirts. The Zip-ups will have the BCGS logo on the front and will be offered to members first.

Volunteers Needed: There are many volunteer opportunities available.

Hotel room: A group booking link will be set up once we are less than a year out.

Superhero Parade: Looking at having a Superhero parade where the dogs and owners can show off their superhero apparel.

**NEW BUSINESS:** 

BCGS Specialty Show 2022: The contract with the Hotel RL Olympia for 2022 has been signed. Dates are July 29, July 30, July 31, 2022.

BCGS Specialty Show 2020 Hotel Room: If anyone booked a room for the RL Olympia through a third-party website such as Expedia, please cancel your reservation. The hotel has already cancelled the rooms made directly through the hotel with the group block.

Specialty January 2021: Jeff Ryman asked Dave if BCGS would be interested in holding a specialty show in conjunction with the all-breed and French Bulldog Specialty in January 2021 in Puyallup. BCGS would have to split the fee for Baray and the judge. BCGS would need a ring steward. Joan Johnson will contact the AKC and Division 5 to see if BCGS would even be allowed to have a show in January 2021 without it affecting the July/August Specialty in Olympia.

Specialty August 2020: Sandra Martinez, Erica Peters and Pat Buchanan reached out to Dave to see if BCGS could add a specialty show in conjunction with the Olympic Kennel Club's show in Enumclaw in August 2020. The Club has decided to not move forward with this.

New Canopy: In April 2020, the Board voted and approved the purchase of one 10x20 canopy from Costco. The canopy was delivered to Ashley Wall's house and in July, the Board will meet and see if the canopy fits our needs and will then potentially order more to replace any broken canopies.

**NEW APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP:** 

**NEW BREEDER REFERRAL APPLICATIONS: N/A** 

## **MEETING ADJOURNED: 2:22 p.m.**

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#### WARM WEATHER PET SAFETY

You might know that <u>cold weather poses health risks to your pets</u>, but so does warm weather – even on days that don't seem that hot to you. Knowing the risks and being prepared can help keep your pet safe.

Be prepared

- Talk to your veterinarian about warm weather risks for pets (and <u>travel safety</u> if you plan to travel with a pet).
- Make sure your pets have unlimited access to fresh water, and access to shade when outside.
- Keep your pet free of <u>parasites</u> that are more common during warm weather, such as fleas, ticks and <u>heartworm</u>.
- Ask your veterinarian how to recognize signs of heat stress.

Keep pets at home

- Leave your pets at home if possible when you need to go out and about.
- Provide different temperature zones within your house for your pet's comfort.
- <u>Never leave a pet in the car</u>, even in the shade or with windows cracked. Cars can overheat quickly to deadly temperatures, even when the weather isn't severe.

Keep them comfortable

- If it's hot outside for you, it's even hotter for your pet.
- Take <u>walks</u>, hikes or <u>runs</u> during the cooler hours of the day.
- Avoid hot surfaces, such as asphalt, that can burn your pet's paws.
- Ask your veterinarian if your pet would benefit from a warm-weather haircut or sunscreen.

Exercising with your pet

- Consult your veterinarian prior to starting an exercise program for your pet. Overweight pets and shortnosed dog breeds have higher risk of problems with warm-weather exercise.
- Don't walk, run or <u>hike</u> with a dog during the hottest parts of the day or on particularly warm days.
- Take frequent breaks.
- Bring enough water for both you and your pet.

Garden and yard safety

- Make sure the plants in your garden and yard are <u>safe for pets</u>.
- Store lawn fertilizer and insecticides out of reach of your pets.
- Always follow safety instructions on lawn and garden products, particularly the instructions on how long you should keep pets out of the treated areas.
- If you use a lawn service, make sure they are aware that you have pets.
- Avoid using cocoa bean mulch, which contains the same pet toxin found in chocolate.

# Prevent burnt paw pads during summer months: **avoid hot surfaces**

Asphalt, metal, concrete and rocky surfaces can get *very* hot on a summer day: 10-30

degrees warmer than the ambient air.

Walk in a grassy area

Take walks during cooler mornings or evenings

Buy protective dog boots; styles are available in a variety of sizes and price points

Signs the ground is burning your pet's paws: repeated lifting of each paw. Test the surface by pressing your hand to the ground for 5 seconds; if it's too hot for you it's too hot for your pet's paws.

If you suspect your pet has heat-injured paws, visit your vet immediately

# SIGNS OF HEAT STRESS

Seek emergency veterinary care if you observe any of these signs:

- Anxiousness
- Excessive panting
  - Restlessness
- Excessive drooling
  - Unsteadiness
- Abnormal gum and tongue color
  - Collapse
  - **Related articles**
  - Hot cars and loose pets
  - Advice for running with your dog
- 8 things you can do to protect your dog in the summer
  - External parasites
  - Safe use of flea and tick preventive products

# Common garden plants are toxic for dogs and should be entirely avoided in your garden:

Aconites
Autumn Crocuses
Azaleas
Bleeding Hearts
Bluebells
valley
Calla lilies
Crocuses
Cyclamen
Daffodils
Day lilies
Delphiniums
Rhubarb(leaves)
Elephant's Ears
Foxgloves
Hellebores
Holly

Hyacinths Hydrangeas Ivy Laburnum Lily of the

Lilies Lupines Mistletoe Oleanders Rhododendrons

Sweet Peas Tulips Wisteria Yew



## WHAT CAN HAPPEN IF MY DOG EATS A PLANT THAT'S HARMFUL TO THEM?

Symptoms can vary depending on the plant, and what part of the plant your dog has eaten. In some cases, if your dog eats part of a dangerous or poisonous plant, they'll experience an upset stomach with sickness or diarrhea, or perhaps irritated skin. If the plant is toxic to dogs (such as the foxglove) the impact can be much more dangerous and will require emergency veterinary care.

It's also important to note that some plants can be more poisonous for dogs than others – for example, daffodil and crocus flowers can be harmful, but their bulbs are more dangerous to your dog – bulbs are more concentrated than leaves or flowers so can be more harmful, and can be more tempting to eat if left lying around. Other bulbs, like onions and garlic, can also be toxic. You should take your dog straight to the vet if you think they've eaten any of these bulbs.

#### WHAT SYMPTOMS MIGHT INDICATE MY DOG HAS EATEN A POISONOUS PLANT?

If your dog has eaten a plant that is poisonous or toxic, they may start showing the following symptoms:

- Lethargy
- Shivering or shaking
- Vomiting
- Diarrhea
- Itchy/irritated skin
- Refusing food

## WHAT SHOULD I DO IF MY DOG EATS A POISONOUS PLANT?

It depends what your dog has eaten. If they've simply munched on a few leaves that will make them sick, a little TLC is probably all that's needed. But we don't expect you to be a horticultural expert and identify every plant or how much of one has been eaten by your dog. So if you're in any doubt about whether they've ingested part of a dangerous plant, you should visit your vet as soon as possible.

It's useful to take the plant with you to help your vet identify what your dog's eaten. Common names for plants can vary (for example, there are three different plants commonly known as bleeding hearts), so having the plant to hand will help your vet correctly diagnose your dog. Treatments can range from simply making your dog sick to treating them for toxicity or even surgery if necessary.



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# **NO SHOW RESULTS TO REPORT**



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# Special thanks to those who have donated to our bulldog rescue organizations with their annual renewals:

Norm and Tia Bailey - Dave and Cathy Harrington - Cathy and Tucker Hayes -

Gwen Polik – Stewart and Amy Ridgeway – Leonard and Trish Whitney

**Diane Wuertemburg** 

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Dave & Cathy Harrington – Sponsor since 2020 "Happiness is having a Bulldog"

# A BIG THANKS to our Sponsors for providing their support to our newsletter!

To become a Sponsor and receive a one-year listing, please send contributions (\$10 annual minimum) and listing information to: Sandy Fisher, BCGS Treasurer, PO Box 89, Redmond, WA 98073

# Special thank you to those you donated to our general fund with their annual renewals!!

Sherri Feeney – Ed & Gail Harris – Tucker & Cathy Hayes - Deniece Humphries –

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And all of our members and friends that donate throughout the year!!!

# **Advertising**



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Business card color ads: \$25 annually / \$8 quarterly Quarter page: \$7.50 quarterly ~ half page: \$15 quarterly Full page ad: \$25 quarterly ~ Back page: \$40 quarterly

Email ads to: <a href="mailto:secretary@bulldogclubofgreaterseattle.com">secretary@bulldogclubofgreaterseattle.com</a>

Note: The advertisement of puppies for sale will be strictly prohibited