



Tails Waggin'

A Newsletter for BOTC Members and Friends

February 2010

President's Message JoAnne Rowles

Last month we reported on our donation to Kern Humane Society and this month it's to Bakersfield Pet Food Pantry, a non-profit organization.

The group was started in April 2009. The Bakersfield Pet Food Pantry collects and distributes pet food to disabled and/or homebound seniors through Meals on Wheels NOR and to low income community members. Their purpose is to help pet owners keep their beloved pets, who are viewed as part of the family and who provide emotional support to their owner.

They accept any unopened brand of dog or cat food whether is bagged or canned. If you would like to donate there are donation barrels at the following:

**Biscuit Boutique & Doggie Spa 1617 19th
CLS Pet Food 3105 F St
Self Serve Pet Spa 2816 Calloway Dr #103
Valley Feed 12905 Hageman Rd**

Joan, Margaret and I stopped by one of their "bagging parties" to drop off our donation. This is a very hard working group who have taken on a very necessary but difficult job.



Collection for KC Shelter Continues

We continue to collect blankets, sweaters, collars, leashes and shoe boxes. They are so appreciated by the staff at the KCAS. This is



also a good time to ask your family, friends and co workers to help. Many people are "organizing" right now so ask for the animals.

NARFE another group I belong brings shoe boxes to their meetings and this month I also picked up blankets. My manicurist donated 4 sweaters and a large blanket we made into 5 dog blankets. My mother has crocheted or knit 5 dog sweaters and nearly done with #6. The little sweaters (Chihuahua size) work up so much faster than ones she has made for "Daisy". So spread the word.

HOT DOG MOCK TRIAL

The rings were set, the tables filled with great food, the coals ready to go and as the first hot dog hit the grill the first rain drop fell.

Hardy folks that we are, sat in the rain eating hot dogs grilled by **Howard** and all sorts of sides and desserts. We enjoyed the camaraderie. Afterwards we proceeded to the rings, covered the dogs and carried on with the mock trial. We don't always show in wonderful weather so this was a golden, yet wet opportunity to prepare our dogs for competition in the rain. Cont on page 2

No Meeting in February

Plan to attend
Doggie Olympics
Sunday February 21st 1pm
Windsor Park



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And....as you know they don't call the game because of rain in our sport.

Thanks to **Kathy** for judging obedience and to all who helped set up and take down the rings and for those who helped steward and act as posts.

If you missed this event you missed a memorable event.



Tail Waggin' Brags



Conformation

Walkin Tall Sharper Image – “**Tigger**” was Best of Winners at Eukanuba Dog Show in Long Beach Dec 6th. **Tigger** is a bull terrier owned by **Mary & Howard Marcus**.

Rally Obedience

Sunbreak Jack Be Nimble CD RA NA OAJ (Jackson) completed his Rally Excellent title at the San Luis KC dog show November 14, 2009 at Paso Robles, Ca. under judge Cathy



Dutra. Jackson's efforts earned him a second place as well!

On December 6th at Valley Hills Obedience Club, Keepsakes's Cheviot Dreaming – “**Makana**” earned her Rally Novice title. “**Makana**” is a border terrier owned and handled by **Shan Stubbs**.



BOTC is on the Web

Visit our website!!
www.bakersfielddtc.com

Club Practice

Obedience: Club practice for obedience and rally is at Jastro Park on Tuesdays other than meeting nights at 7:00pm. Come on out, bring your dog and join the fun. See you there!

Agility: Practice times – Thursdays 4:30pm and Saturdays at 9:00am at the agility field. It is best to call to verify times. For info call **Kathy @ 399-0161**.

The agility field is for club members only. Dogs must be obedience trained, under control and with waivers & evaluations completed before using the field.



We get Letters!

To: Bakersfield Obedience Training Club

Thank you so much for the generous donation. It will be used to benefit many animals.

Arlene
Kern Humane Society



To everyone at BOTC :

WOW! Thank you so much!! We feel honored that you chose our organization to give your generous donation to. Please be assured that we are working our fannies off to help feed hungry pets out there. We appreciate your gift of treats and food too! We will keep you updated on our progress.

Cindy, Sherry, Cindy & Kim
Bakersfield Pet Food Pantry

More Letters

To BOTC:

Thank you both so much for your continued support of our staff and of course the animals. It is nice to know that we have such great friends out there!

Maggie Kalar
Marketing & Promotions Associate
Kern County Animal Control



Refreshments

March - Helayne
April - Joan & Martha
May - Ray & Shan

June - Rhelda

Hot Dog Mock Trial 2010 Photos



Howard & Betty – Dogs and Beans



Members load their plates.



plastic bag makes a great rain bonnet.

One Step Two step
"together"!



Support the AKC PAC

The American Kennel Club has taken the lead in supporting legislation across the country that protects the rights of responsible dog owners. The AKC Political Action Committee gives us an additional tool with which to interface with legislators. Through the PAC, we can demonstrate a unity of purpose that helps us advance a positive legislative agenda.

The AKC PAC collects voluntary contributions from individuals and uses these donations to support candidates who defend dog owners' rights and can effectively influence legislation impacting animal owners. Your donation will be

pooled with contributions from AKC club members across the country to strengthen our support for reasonable, enforceable laws that protect the health and welfare of purebred dogs and do not restrict the rights of breeders and owners who take their responsibilities seriously.

Contributions to this fund are not deductible on federal tax returns. Federal law requires us to use our best efforts to collect and report the name, mailing address, occupation and name of employer of individuals whose contributions exceed \$200 in a calendar year*. The maximum annual contribution to the AKC PAC is \$5,000. All contributions are voluntary.

Our right to own and breed dogs is under attack. Throughout the country last year we experienced an unprecedented increase in legislation that infringes on the rights of responsible owners and breeders. Already, many similar bills have already been introduced for 2010.

Fortunately, few of these provisions become law, but the consistency and similarity of these measures seen in state after state, demonstrates the effect of a national agenda determined to take away our rights to own and breed dogs in a manner consistent with our expertise.

The need for a united, resolute dog fancy committed to protecting our dogs and our rights has never been greater. This election year, through contributions to the [AKC Political Action Committee \(AKC PAC\)](#), we have the



opportunity to support lawmakers and candidates who will fight for our right to own, breed, and exhibit our beloved dogs. **Please consider a donation to the AKC PAC.** One hundred percent of these donations will go directly to support the campaigns of candidates who will help protect our rights.

A donation form will be included in this newsletter.

Happy Birthday!

Intl Ch Bix-L's Velveteen Rocketman CD RN, HIT, CGC, TT, RL-1, HIC is 12 years old. "You may be grey on the muzzle but there is still a lot of spark left."

Love,
Mom & Daisy



**BOTC's 9th Doggie Olympics
Sunday February 21, 2010
1:00pm at Windsor Park**

You and your doggie athlete are encouraged to compete in both individual and team events. Be prepared to have a great time competing in fun activities that reinforce basic obedience training. And then there are some events just for fun!