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"All the news that fits we print"

Winter 2010

Great ideas for those cold winter days!

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Our newsletter staff is looking for members interested in writing articles or working on future issues. If you can help contact

Lisa or Janet.

A Note From Our President

BCOSW Club Column

Oct. 2009

First of all, I want to say thank you to all who worked on the 2009 national specialty. I had a wonderful time and I think all the exhibitors would agree with that statement. There were a lot of high points, but I have to say that the lure coursing day at the Kentucky Horse Park was tops for me. Such a beautiful rolling field – great for spectators and dogs alike. The weather was not too hot and the field committee and workers made hosting an ASFA trial, an AKC trial and 2 JC tests look like a stroll in the park.

The trophies this year were really fantastic. My hat's off to Andrea and Tim Walters who took on this huge job – and with baby twin boys yet. The banquet was great too. I loved the food and conviviality. And the auction was a big success, but more on that in the auction report elsewhere in this issue. Our agility event was held with the Derby City Agility Association trial up in Buckner, Kentucky and it was lots of fun. More on the agility trial elsewhere in this issue.

The website for the 2010 national is up and running – check it out at <http://www.basenji.org/nationalspecialty/2010/index.html>.

Mark your 2010 calendars for the 15th annual BCOSW independent specialty on Friday, July 30, 2009. We went back and forth about trying a new date and site, but ultimately decided to stay put. Pending AKC approvals, our judges are Michelle Gahgan, Rafikis Basenjjs, for sweepstakes and Mary Beth Arthur, Marial Whippets for regular and non regular conformation and junior showmanship. Show chair and secretary is Lisa Marshall, brkls@wi.rr.com. Come for our specialty and stay for 4 days of all breeds that follow.

Clay Bunyard is our trophy chair for 2010 and Pat Wand is our hospitality chair. More help is needed for our silent auction as well. Please contact Lisa Marshall at brkls@wi.rr.com if you can help out.

We held our annual bonfire meeting at the Pooley's *AdventureLand Farm* in early October – short meeting, good food, a chilly night to sit at the roaring bonfire, and s'mores. Thanks Fred and Wanda for your hospitality.

The Chicagoland Hound Association is holding 2 shows, November 14th and 15th this year. Each day features breed sweepstakes for puppies and veterans, obedience and rally in addition to the conformation competition. BCOSW is offering some nice prizes this year. Two BCOSW members are judging sweeps – Michelle Gahgan, Rafikis Basenjjs and Laura Hesse, Laurel Basenjjs. I am happy to see that we now have a nice weekend of shows in November in our area.

Our next club event will be our holiday lunch in January 2010. Until then, happy holidays and happy new year!

Lisa

BCOSW 2010 Event Calendar

DATE	LOCATION	MEETING	EVENT
Sat., Jan. 16 th	Shamrock Restaurant, Caledonia, WI	Board and general membership	Holiday lunch
Sat., Mar. 6 th	West Allis, WI	Board meeting	
Sat., Apr 3 rd	Caledonia, WI	General membership	B Match/Fun match
Sat., May 15 th	Racine, WI	Fund raiser	Lure Coursing Fanatics
Sat/Sun TBA	Belvidere, IL		ASFA trial
Sat., July 17 th	Rockford, IL	General membership	Fun Day
Fri., July 30 th	Ixonia, WI	Annual meeting	BCOSW specialty
Sat., July 31 st	Waukesha, WI		Supported entry WKC
Mon., Aug 9 th	West Allis, WI		World of Dogs
Sat., Oct. 9 th	Rockford, IL	General membership	Bonfire
Sun., Nov. 14 th	Madison, WI		Badger KC Dog Fair

Plan now for that
Rocky Mountain High in Colorado
Scale New Heights in 2010
at the BCOA National Specialty

Location

Greeley Colorado

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www.islandgrovepark.com



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Events

Specialty Sweepstakes

African Exhibition

Obedience Rally

Agility

Lure Coursing—ASFA & AKC JC

Annual Meeting

Auction Banquet

Seminars Fun Night

Hospitality Area

Show Site and Camping

Island Grove Regional Park & Events
Center

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www.basenji.org

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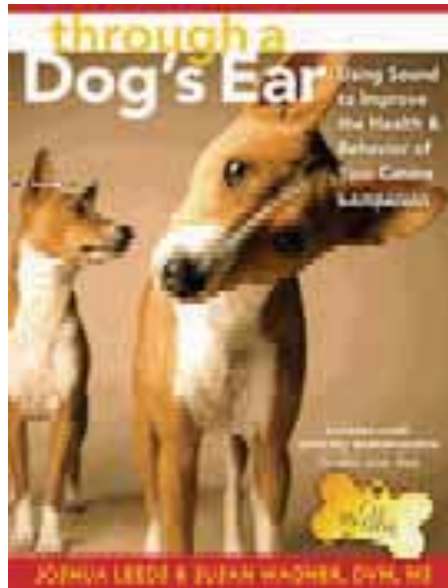
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September 1 thru 5, 2010

Kathie Lemke sent us this information, let's take a look.

Kathie says: I initially bought the book because of the Basenji on the cover, but then found it very helpful and ordered the extra CD's as well.



THROUGH A DOG'S EAR

Using Sound to Improve the Health & Behavior of Your Canine Companion

You know that your dog's hearing is very sensitive, but did you know that you can create an environment of sound to improve the health and well being of your canine companion? Now psychoacoustic expert Joshua Leeds and veterinary neurologist Susan Wagner show you how with their book *Through a Dog's Ear*.

Using the latest science on how dogs hear and react to sound, Leeds and Wagner provide a treasury of fresh insight on the inner auditory life of our best friends, including:

- * How to use sound as a tool to help alleviate separation anxiety, excitement with visitors, thunderstorm panic, and other behavior challenges
- * For nervous dogs: tips and tricks for making any house or apartment more comfortable for canines
- * Sensory confusion, over- and under-stimulation, the orienting response, and keys to understanding how our dogs hear the human world
- * 45-minute starter CD of classical music psychoacoustically designed to soothe and relax dogs—and their human companions

If you've ever wondered what's really happening when your furry friend perks up her ears and cocks her head—or when she hides under the bed—here is the first book to examine the powerful effect of the human soundscape on canines. *Through a Dog's Ear* provides an indispensable source of cutting-edge research, heartwarming stories, and practical sound-based solutions to help your dog live a happier and healthier life.

Dog Relaxed, Driver Alert

Many dogs love to go for a ride — but traveling in the car can also be extremely stressful. If your canine friend can't settle down for the trip, gets the shakes, or pants excessively, now you have a drug-free solution with *Through a Dog's Ear: Driving Edition*.

This psychoacoustically designed music strikes the ideal balance of keeping you alert in the driver's seat while soothing your dog's nerves for a comfortable, pleasant journey.

THROUGH A DOG'S EAR cont.

The breakthrough research behind Through a Dog's Ear shows that the canine nervous system is extremely sensitive to sound — and that special arrangements of classical music have a profound soothing impact on anxious dogs. Now BioAcoustic Research & Development brings you lively yet relaxing music designed especially for use in the car with Through a Dog's Ear: Driving Edition.

Whether you're taking your four-legged friend for a short spin across town or on a long road trip, here is an invaluable musical companion to help both you and your dog enjoy the ride. Includes Travel Prep — an additional 20 minutes of music to prepare especially anxious dogs for riding in the car. Also included are specific protocols that address three degrees of auto anxiety.

How to Use Through a Dog's Ear: Driving Edition

The Driving Edition is designed for both driver and dog. Our goal is to relax the dog while keeping the driver alert. For optimal effect, please observe the following instructions carefully. There are degrees of automobile anxiety issues with dogs. The instructions will address three categories:

1. Dogs with no discernible automobile anxiety issues.
2. Dogs with mild automobile anxiety issues.
3. Dogs with moderate to extreme automobile anxiety issues.

Musical Tips for Behavioral Issues

The Music of Through a Dog's Ear has been clinically tested on more than 150 dogs — those with and without anxiety issues. If you have an anxious canine, we suggest you first play the appropriate CD when your dog is not exhibiting anxiety. This will allow your dog to associate the calming music with a positive state of being. When you have done this at least four times, you can proceed to using it when your dog is exhibiting anxiety. If the music doesn't keep your dog calm at first, stop and use it several more times while not exhibiting anxiety. You may also want to discuss additional therapies with your veterinarian, behaviorist, or trainer. This music is psychoacoustically designed to calm your canine and can be used at any time to achieve this purpose. Specific applications include:

Separation Anxiety

Music can be extremely useful in cases of separation anxiety. We recommend putting on Music to Calm Your Canine Companion, Vol. 1 twenty minutes before you leave, so that your dog has plenty of time for the entraining rhythms to take effect. Set the volume at a fairly low level, but loud enough that it masks disturbing external sounds. Once your dog is relaxed, leave for a very short time — two or three minutes at first. Don't make a fuss over leaving — you want your dog to remain peaceful and quiet. The music should keep your canine calm for that period of time. Gradually increase the time you are gone. Your behaviorist may have other exercises for you, so ask if the music can be added to the protocol. If possible, put the CD player on repeat; you do not have to be concerned with overdosing your animal on beautiful and peaceful music.

Thunderstorm Anxiety—

Anxiety caused by storms can be one of the trickiest forms of anxiety to treat. Animals have an instinctive ability to sense changes in the weather. Prior to the tsunami of 2004, animals and birds were seen heading for higher ground long before the disaster struck. If the weather forecast calls for storms, have the CD ready in the player. Your dog may have a preferred location for storms, a place where he or she feels safer. It's important to allow your dog that safety, so a portable audio player may be necessary. If the music is not enough to keep your dog completely calm, working with a behaviorist may be necessary.

Fireworks—

Many dogs are very fearful of fireworks. Music to Calm Your Canine Companion, Vol. 1 can be a perfect solution, because we usually know when fireworks will occur. If possible, take your dog to the basement or a room far away from outside sounds. You may need a portable audio device. Put the music on for at least twenty minutes before the fireworks start, then play the CD during the fireworks display. It will help calm your dog and mask the unwanted explosive noise.

Excitement with Visitors—

A behavioral professional will have many excellent training techniques regarding visitors coming into the home. The good news about this excitement dilemma is that it's easy to work on before grandma comes over. You may want to have practice runs with your friends. The key to successful visits is to maintain control over your dog, and one of the best ways to achieve this is to keep him or her calm. Calming music can be put on twenty minutes before your guest arrives, and should help you with the obedience behaviors you will want to initiate. Sitting and staying are so much easier for your dog when he or she is relaxed.

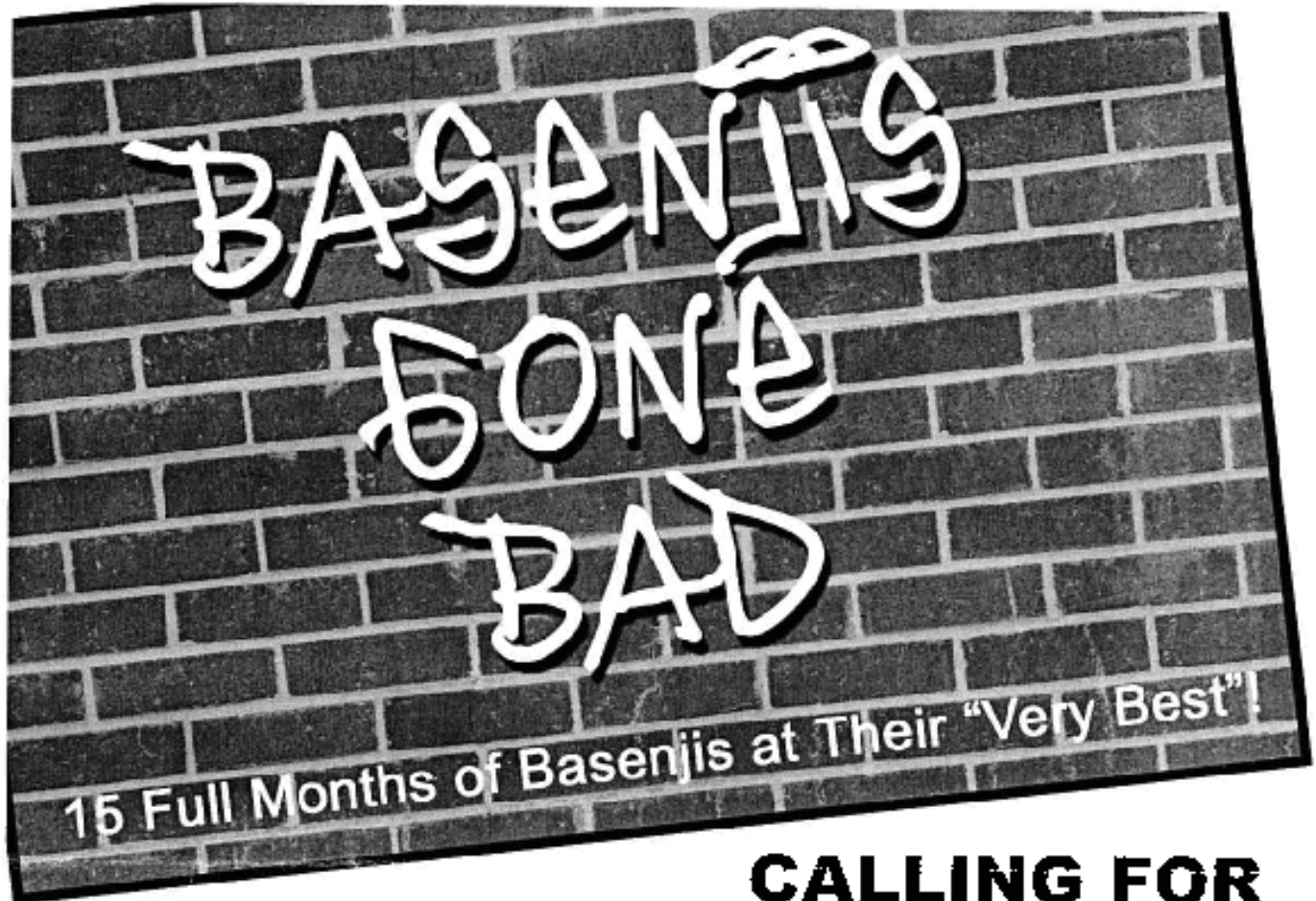
*Tip: After your dog has learned to be calm when people arrive, an additional Through a Dog's Ear music series, Music for the Canine Household, may be perfect for the duration of the visit. The music is upbeat and lovely for background music, and will help keep your animal calm without putting your company to sleep.

Stressful Times for People—

Life is not without challenges. Severe or chronic illness, employment issues, household moves, financial burdens, or the death of a friend or family member (or another pet) can create enormous stress. Animals in the household are affected as well. We suggest playing Music to Calm Your Canine Companion, Vol. 1 as often as you can during these difficult times. If you are going at a hectic pace, even ten minutes of music therapy can support your animal companion's well-being.

Boarding—

Many modern boarding facilities offer some of the familiarity of home — comfy furniture, natural lighting, and play time with other dogs. Even kennels that have been in existence for many years may have a sound system, or an area in which a portable audio device can be played safely. Ask your boarding professionals to play Music to Calm Your Canine Companion, Vol. 1 for your dog while she is in their care. By association alone, this will help your dog feel a sense of comfort with the sonic environment, at the very least.



CALLING FOR PHOTOS OF BASENJIS!!

Not the normal "nice" photos...not the really cute, warm & fuzzy photos.

No - we need photos of your Basenji Being Bad!!!

Whatever they've shredded, "killed", stolen, climbed, eaten...you know the things our basenjis are "famous" for.

With these photos we are going to create a monthly calendar guaranteed to make you grin (or cringe) every time you look at it!!!

The calendar will be 15 full months, with photos, September 2010 - December 2011

**All proceeds from the sale of the calendar will benefit the
BCOA 2010 National Specialty: "Basenjis With Altitude"**

Send your "naughty" basenji photos to Melody Falcone at:

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Or email to: melody@melarbasenjis.com

(Emailed images MUST BE at least 5x7, 300 dpi jpg or tiff files)

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Now Hear This

News from AKC

Hotel chain offers discounts to owners of AKC registered dogs. Motel 6 and Studio 6 are offering Owners of AKC registered dogs a 10 % discount on room reservations at 1,000 properties in the US and Canada.

To reserve a room and activate the discount,

Visit motel6.com and enter code CP542764 for Motel 6, or staystudio6.com and enter code CP542765 for Studio 6. For more info, visit akc.org/motel6_studio6/



Meet Diana Dickhausen , new member applicant and her girl Sonbar's Nifty Natalie (Nat)

They're from Oak Parks Heights, Minn and they do Rally Obedience so they will have plenty of challenges and fun.

Pet Appeal

The Happy Act-Humanity and Pets Partnered Through the Years-currently in Congress, if passed would allow pet owners to get a tax deduction for pet care expenses of up to \$3500 per person. A pet is defined as a legally owned, domesticated, live animal. That would cover dogs, cats and an assortment of other creatures. The bill was introduced by Rep. Thaddeus McCotter, R-Mich.

Braggs from the BCOA National Specialty

From Lisa Marshall and her girls

"Miranda" (Ch. Arendahl's Carnival Night) earned her Junior Courser title at the national.

"Casey" (Ch. Arendahl's Sometime Soon F Ch JC OAP AJP) won first place in the Veteran Bitch class for bitches 10 years and older at the national.

"Casey" ran in the BCOA supported agility trial held by Derby City Agility Association on Monday, Sept. 7 in Buckner, KY. She did not qualify in either of her two classes, but we had a blast!

Happy New Year!



'A true friend is someone who knows you're
a good egg even if you're a little cracked.'



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