

BellyRubs Basset Rescue

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We hope you are all well and happy and enjoying your basset(s). This is our first newsletter since becoming BellyRubs Basset Rescue. We wish to inform you about the changes to the basset rescue we care so much about. We hope you will find this newsletter informative and helpful. If you would like us to include other information in future newsletters please let us know.

Changes

West Tennessee Basset Rescue has become BellyRubs Basset Rescue, a Mississippi Non-Profit corporation. BellyRubs Basset Rescue was incorporated on Dec. 7, 2005 in the state of Mississippi. On February 5, 2006, the Board of Directors adopted the corporations By-Laws and elected the first officers of the corporation. On May 12, 2006, the corporation submitted an application to the IRS for 501(c)(3) tax-exempt status.

BellyRubs Basset Rescue Board of Directors	
Clara Jackson	Susan Scott
Randall Jackson	Janet Southall
Victoria Lake	Ida Strang
Dan Phillips	Tammy Wilkinson
BellyRubs Basset Rescue Officers	
President	Clara Jackson
Vice President /	Randall Jackson
Treasurer	
Secretary	Susan Scott

As of June 1, 2006 West Tennessee Basset Rescue ceased all operations and transferred all its assets to BellyRubs Basset Rescue.

BellyRubs Basset Rescue has assumed the duties and activities previously performed by WTBR. To assist in that effort the Board of Directors of BellyRubs Basset Rescue filled the following positions: Adoption & Intake Coordinator, Clara Jackson; Foster Home Coordinator, Tammy Wilkinson; Publicity Coordinators, Janet Southall and Ida Strang

Activities

Our 2006 Blue Suede Basset Boogie is on Sept. 30, 2006 in the new pavilion at the Olive Branch City Park in Olive Branch MS.

If you have questions about future activities please contact Clara Jackson at (662) 838-4732.

BRBR Information

BellyRubs Basset Rescue web site - <http://bellyrubs.org/>

There you will find information about our Policy and Commitment, Bassetts available for adoption, our adoption policies, requirements, the adoption process, and our current adoption fee. You will also find a lot of information about basset hounds and basset rescue. You will find information about ways you can help us. The site has web pages of photos of the bassetts previously adopted from WTBR and TVBR. They are arranged by the year the basset was adopted. Randall Jackson maintains the website. Suggestions to improve the web site are always welcome.

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Many Thanks to our Vet

We could not do as much as we do without the help and support of the wonderful people at Germantown Animal Hospital and especially Larry Hendricks, DMV.

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The Rainbow Bridge

We received word of the passing of a number of our adopted bassets this year. We also had to put-to-sleep several rescue bassets. Those decisions were very gut wrenching. Our decisions are primarily based upon the quality of life the basset would not have even with the very best veterinary care.

We reprint the poem below in the hope it will help bring some comfort to those who have lost a beloved pet. It has us on far too many occasions.

The Rainbow Bridge

Just this side of Heaven is a place called Rainbow Bridge.

When an animal dies that has been especially close to someone here, that pet goes to Rainbow Bridge. There are meadows and hills for all of our special friends so they can run and play together. There is plenty of food, water and sunshine and our friends are warm and comfortable.

All the animals who had been ill and old are restored to health and vigor; those who were hurt or maimed are made whole and strong again, just as we remember them in our dreams of days and times gone by. The animals are happy and content, except for one small thing: they each miss someone very special, someone who was left behind.

They all run and play together, but the day comes when one suddenly stops and looks into the distance. His bright eyes are intent; his eager body begins to quiver. Suddenly, he breaks from the group, flying over the green grass, faster and faster. You have been spotted, and when you and your special friend finally meet, you cling together in joyous reunion, never to be parted again. The happy kisses rain upon your face; your hands again caress the beloved head, and you look once more into those trusting eyes, so long gone from your life, but never absent from your heart. Then you cross the Rainbow Bridge together...

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The DailyDrool

Are you looking for an all-basset Internet discussion list? The DailyDrool is one of the oldest and best email lists on the Internet. You will find many basset loving people. Many of which are very knowledgeable basset owners. If you are interested in joining the DailyDrool, point your browser to - www.dailydrool.com