



# Waggin' Tales

The official newsletter of the Timberline Basset Hound Club

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The next regular TBHC meeting is next Sunday, October 25, 1 p.m. via zoom. To avoid confusion, Betty Gene will email all the instructions for getting into the meeting. It's a video meeting so we'll be able to see each other.



Very easy to join the meeting. It's important that we good attendance because we have some important club decisions to make - all breed

obedience/rally trial in February, second tracking judge, specialty judges, the Christmas party. We need your input so please block out the time and plan on attending.

The big news in Colorado this month has been the fires. Many of us have been fairly close



but thankfully no one in evacuation mode. Almost everyone has experienced the smoke and poor air quality. We are hoping for rain and/or snow! Very scary.

An updated membership roster is included with this newsletter. Please check information and let Carol know if any changes need to be made. Thank you!

## FROZEN PUMPKIN DOG TREATS



### Ingredients

- 1 cup [plain yogurt](#)
- 1 cup pumpkin puree

### Directions

1. Mix pumpkin and yogurt together in a bowl
2. Divide the mixture evenly into an ice tray or molds
3. Freeze for 24 hours
4. Pop the treats out of the mold and put into a freezer bag for storage. You can also leave them in the ice tray if you have space in your freezer!

### Supplies

#### [Puppy Dog Paw Silicone Molds](#)



## Basset Hounds and Beagles trained to detect COVID-19 by using armpit sweat samples



SARASOTA, Fla. ([NewsNation Now](#)) — Heather Junqueira's horse farm outside Sarasota, Florida is filled with dozens of basset hound and beagle puppies.

The dogs are adorable – but they are not pets. They're being raised to do an important job during the pandemic.

“We are training dogs to detect the body's response to COVID-19 in hopes they will be able to indicate on people who are carrying the virus and are not symptomatic,” Junqueira said.

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“They are 4×4 gauze pads that are placed under the armpits of the person who has COVID,” Junqueira said. Junqueira runs BioScent and is training dogs to detect the coronavirus. She uses sweat samples from people with COVID-19 to train the dogs.

BioScent is in negotiations with professional sports teams and concert venues in the United States. The COVID-19 human sweat sample is put into one container, and regular non-COVID sweat samples are put in other containers. The containers are then spaced out in a training room and the dogs are led through one by one. The dogs are trained to alert and sit near the COVID sweat samples.

The trainers say the key is using a variety of samples from different people with COVID-19. “If I was to train the dog with samples from one person, I would only be training that dog to find that person. Then I'm not really training that

dog to find COVID. So you have to use a lot of samples and the dog has to figure out what is the common denominator in all these samples. And then they realize ok that is the common denominator. That is what I get rewarded for,” Junqueira said.

BioScent is training roughly 24 adult dogs, and they have 26 puppies they plan to also train to detect COVID-19. The training starts once they are about a year old, and the scent training lasts about six weeks. “They smell ten thousand times more than what we do. A dog can smell a drop of perfume in an Olympic sized pool,” Junqueira said.

The international airports in Helsinki, Finland and Dubai, United Arab Emirates are already using COVID sniffing dogs. “For the dogs, it is nothing but a game of hide and seek. You hide the sample, they know that is their target odor, they go and find it,” Junqueira said. Once the dogs alert to someone, a rapid test will be used to confirm whether the person actually has the virus.

BioScent says the process is not dangerous for the dogs. The Basset Hounds and Beagles that do not succeed in the training program are adopted out.



Trainers from the canine service of Russia's Aeroflot carrier train a Sulimov breed sniffer dog to detect coronavirus in biomaterial from infected people during a training exercise at Moscow's International Sheremetyevo International Airport on October 9, 2020. – Russia registered a record daily number of new coronavirus infections on October 9, surpassing its previous high from May. Officials reported 12,126 new infections, edging above the previous high of 11,656 on May 11 and bringing the total number of confirmed cases to 1,272,238 — the fourth highest in the world. (Photo by Dimitar DILKOFF / AFP) (Photo by DIMITAR DILKOFF/AFP via Getty Images)

A pack of Basset Fauve de Bretagne in France

## HUNTING PERFORMANCE TEST

Thanks to judges Cindy Hutt and Kathy Edwards for judging our hunting performance test last weekend.

To say we had an exciting morning would be an understatement! Suki and Mohani in the first brace went off property chasing a jackrabbit and quickly disappeared for about 2 hours. Thanks to the efforts of everyone present, they were thankfully found safe and sound. We won't even mention the Hatfield ad McCoy neighbors encountered. Mishka is planning to attach pre-made fencing in rolls that can be attached to the barbed wire so this won't be happening again.

The other exciting part is that Suki (Bristlecone's Sangria) qualified her first time out.



Braggs 

Carol: Bea (Bristlecone's The Bee's Knees) got her second major at the Cheyenne KC show on Sunday

Mohani (Bristlecone's Mimosa) got her second major at Cheyenne KC show on Friday.

Sparky (Bristlecone's Heavenly) got a major at Cheyenne KC show on Saturday to finish and earn her championship on Saturday.

Betty Brie (Hounds of Hounds Brie O'Bristlecone) was reserve winner to majors twice in one weekend her third time out.



### Upcoming Events:

Southern Colorado KC and Colorado Springs KC have postponed their shows until the spring.  
December, 2020 Christmas get together, TBD