



# Wrinkle Time

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## August - Could Be a Warm One!



Thanks to Lynette for the submission

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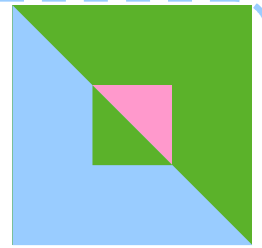
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"Before you diagnose yourself with depression or low self-esteem, make sure that you are, in fact, not just surrounded by a\*\*holes." - William Gibson

## UPCOMING GATHERING DATES

November 6th at 1 pm (Halloween Party!)

To be held in the training room at Pet Supplies Plus, corner of county roads 5 and 42 in Burnsville, MN.



Have you ever been to a pet psychic? If so and you would be willing to share your experience please email us! We'd like to know how it went and what you thought.

## BRAGS

Me an' Smush got our beginner novice title at Twinports Duluth dog show July 16th with a 192/200! 3rd place! Jenny



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**Does this raft make my butt look big?  
I'm too sexy for the pool, too sexy for the pool ...  
Pool Boy! Bring me a margarita!  
All I need is a pina colada!  
Oh, yeaah, the ladies like the shades...  
Stay cool cats!  
Come float away, come float away, come float away  
with meeeeee!  
And they said I was too heavy to float  
A little oil, please and maybe another beer.....  
How do you like me now?  
Too cool!  
Blue is my color  
I'm going jet skiing next!  
No cannonballs!**

Summers are always busy and that has certainly been true for our rescue group here in Minnesota this year. It seems like we barely get one dog in their new home when another one comes along. Fortunately, we have found homes for a few, so dogs are getting placed.

Currently in rescue is Roscoe. He is a three year old, very handsome boy whose former owner was moving into town and didn't feel he had the time or the right home for him any longer. He is being fostered by Kathie and Andy. Roscoe gets along great with their dogs as you can see by the photo. He does have some issues with separation anxiety and Kathie is working with him on learning to wait calmly at the door instead of bolting through it or grabbing feet when he doesn't get what he wants. We have had quite a few inquires about Roscoe, but because of these bad habits, he needs just the right home for success.



Rescue Roscoe and his new gal pal Maxine



Reggie is staying with the Deb and Don. Reggie can still be a handful at times, but he is getting better at minding his manners. Deb said that he likes to climb up with Don in the recliner and fall asleep with his head on Don's chest. We have a "meet and greet" scheduled soon, so fingers crossed things will go well and Reggie will finally have a forever home.

Tess was recently adopted and we are very grateful to her new owner that she was willing to take a chance with an older dog. Tess is a bit of a "cranky old lady" to other dogs and toddlers, but is as sweet as can be around adults. She deserves a good home as much as the younger dogs, but it was a challenge finding her a suitable home. Tess was in foster care at the Guthmiller home since the end of March, so we are very happy she now has a home of her own. It has only been a few days, but she seems to be adjusting to her new life pretty well.



Tilly was also at my house, but just this past weekend went to live with her new family. We found that Tilly doesn't always get along with other dogs, so had to find her a home without other dogs and those can sometimes be hard to find as the majority of applicants who want to adopt a Bulldog already have at least one other dog.

Tomorrow our rescue will be getting in another Bulldog. He is coming from the Brown County Shelter. He was supposed to have been a stray, but the shelter discovered the person who brought the dog in was, in reality, the dog's owner. It was a good thing the vet who ex-







Hector

amed “Hector” recognized him, so at least we have some background info on him. I spoke with a shelter worker who said the owner was excessively rough with Hector when he brought the dog in. It sounds like he actually did Hector a favor by surrendering him to the shelter. Nancy and Bill are going to foster Hector and we will be evaluating his temperament before placing him into a new home since we don’t have much info about his background.

I’d like to thank everyone who is fostering rescue dogs for BCARN – MN. I am very grateful for their willingness to help out. Foster volunteers are a rescue group’s biggest asset. Foster volunteers provide an invaluable service by tak-

ing these dogs into their homes. Without foster homes, we could not continue doing breed rescue as many of the dogs that come into rescue need additional training or behavior modification before they can go to new homes. Deb & Don, Kathie & Andy and Nancy & Bill are all “first timers” when it comes to fostering. I hope it will have been a positive experience for all of them and they will have considered it time well spent. With the larger number of dogs coming into rescue, we will have a real need for additional foster homes. Soon I will be moving “into town” and I won’t be able to foster multiple dogs at once like I have in the past. If you have ever considered the possibility of being a foster “parent” for a rescue Bulldog, but would like more info before deciding, please feel free to contact me and I will be happy to provide you more info.

I can be reached at: [rita@reingoldbulldogs.com](mailto:rita@reingoldbulldogs.com)

If you cannot commit to fostering at this time, there are other ways to help out. For instance, volunteers can perform home visits or check out dogs at shelters to confirm that they are purebred. If you have any dog-related items that your dog no longer uses or plays with, don’t throw them away, odds are we could find them a home too. Just bring them to a Wrinkle Time meet-up and we can recycle them for you. In the past, people have donated crates, collars, dog beds and toys. Some dogs come with lots of things when they are surrendered, and those items go with the dogs to their new homes. But some dogs like Hector, come with nothing and it is nice to have them go to their new home with some things that have familiar smells. No effort is too small and all is appreciated.

- Rita Guthmiller  
Rescue Coordinator

On behalf of Wrinkle Time and the bulldog community in general...WE THANK ALL THE VOLUNTEERS. The enormous amount of effort and time and LOVE that goes into giving these guys a second chance is not forgotten! Way to go Rita, Deb, Don, Kathie, Andy, Justine, Jey, Nancy and Bill.

# Basic Rules For Dogs

By Melissa Verplank

**BARKING:** Because you are a dog, you are expected to bark. So bark a lot .

Your owners will be very happy to hear you protecting their house, especially late at night while they are sleeping safely in their beds. There is no more secure feeling for a human than waking up in the middle of the night and hearing your protective bark, bark, bark....

**VISITORS:** Quickly determine which guest is most afraid of dogs. Charge across the room barking loudly and leap playfully onto this person. If the human falls down on the floor and starts crying, lick its face and growl gently to show your concern.

**LICKING:** Always take a BIG drink from your water dish immediately before licking your human. Humans prefer clean tongues. Be ready to fetch your human a towel.

**HOLES:** Rather than digging a BIG hole in the middle of the yard and upsetting your humans, dig a lot of smaller holes all over the yard so they won't notice. If you arrange a little pile of dirt on one side of each hole, maybe they'll think it's gophers. There can never be enough holes in the ground. Strive daily to do your part to help remedy this problem.

**DOORS:** The area directly in front of a door is always reserved for the family dog to sleep.

**THE ART OF SNIFFING:** Humans like to be sniffed. Everywhere. It is your duty, as the family dog, to accommodate them.

**DINING ETIQUETTE:** Always sit under the table at dinner, especially when there are guests. That way, you can clean up any food that falls on the floor. It's also a good time to practice your sniffing.

**HOUSEBREAKING:** Housebreaking is very important to humans, so break as much of the house as possible.

**GOING FOR WALKS:** Rules of the road: when out for a walk with your master or mistress, never go to the bathroom on your own lawn.

**COUCHES:** It is perfectly permissible to lie on the new couch after all your humans have gone to bed.

**PLAYING:** If you lose your footing while chasing a ball or stick, use the flower bed to absorb your fall so you don't injure yourself.

**CHASING CATS:** When chasing cats, make sure you never quite catch them. It spoils all the fun.

**CHEWING:** Make a contribution to the fashion industry...eat a shoe.

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Thanks for the photo Kirk!

Please send your captions to [karen@pantheonbulldogs.com](mailto:karen@pantheonbulldogs.com)

*Does anyone have experience being a therapy dog? I have a reader who is interested in it. If you would like to talk to another bulldogger about therapy dogs please email me and I'll put ya' all in touch with each other! [karen@pantheonbulldogs.com](mailto:karen@pantheonbulldogs.com)*



Marriott has overtaken her Daddy's chair. She thinks she belongs in any lawn chair that is unoccupied.





## Sit Ubu, Sit! Good Dog...

One day in a busy butcher's store, a dog walks in. The butcher not having time to deal with the health hazard himself shouts at the dog to, "SCRAM!" The dog promptly lowers his head and leaves the shop.

Later in the day the dog re-enters the shop and drops a piece of paper on the floor. The butcher sees this and picks up the note and reads it. "Can I please have 1lb of bacon and 12 sausages", the dog promptly drops a \$20 bill on the floor. The butcher quite amazed at this performance prepares the order, takes the money and gives the dog his change back. He places the bag with the sale inside into the dogs mouth and watches him trot out of the shop. Seeing that it was now about 4:30pm, the butcher decides to close the shop and follow the dog.

He follows the dog 30 yards down the road where the dog gets up on his hind paws and activates the pedestrian crossing lights with his nose. "Wow" thinks the butcher who then follows the dog to the bus-stop, where the dogs waits patiently for the bus.

After several buses have passed the dog jumps up and hails down the next double-decker, he boards the bus and requests his destination and takes his seat at the front of the bus. The butcher can't quite believe what he is seeing. The bus travels through town and out to the suburbs on the other side. The dog rings the bell and alights his transport home. The butcher then follows him for another 100 yards or so. The dog approaches a house and lays down his bag of meat on the front porch. He then backs up the front path and runs and throws himself at the front door.

'WHACK!'. The dog collides with the front door.

No answer, so he repeats this again, all whilst the butcher is watching from the other side of the road.

WHACK!! again no answer.

This time the dog jumps up onto the wall and walks round the side of the house where he taps on one of the windows with the side of his head and walks back round to the door. This time the door opens. The owner of the dog then enters into rage screaming and shouting at the dog. The butcher, feeling that this very special dog was being abused, decided to get involved and approached the owner:

"How can you have a go at your dog after what he has done? He is an absolute genius!," to which the owner replied:

Genius you say? Well it's the second time this week he's forgotten his key!



**We are on Facebook!**



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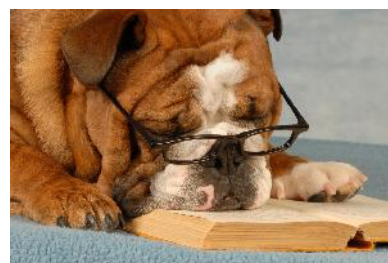
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### Idea:


Rotate your puppy and dog toys! Put a few up and rotate out. Dogs get excited when they see new things. It stretches your toy budget and will keep things more interesting for your pooch! (Maybe enough to keep her away from your leather shoes and dining room chairs!)

### Watch Your Dog!

Just a reminder to keep an eye on your dogs when you are at our gatherings. You are responsible for their behavior when you are out in public. Wrinkle Time assumes no liability at gatherings. You assume the same liability you would at any other public event as Wrinkle Time does not screen attendees.



**I'm Reading Up On Good Behavior**

 "You may have a dog that won't sit up, roll over or even cook breakfast, not because she's too stupid to learn how but because she's too smart to bother."

— Rick Horowitz, *Chicago Tribune*