



# Wrinkle Time

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## Upcoming Gathering Dates:

March 18th at 11 am  
Pet Supplies Plus, Burnsville, MN

May 20th Time TBD  
Picnic in the Park, Shakopee Memorial Park

No Bull...Just Fun



# BCARN—MN

The lull is over for BCARN Rescue of Minnesota. It has been a little while since we had dog in need of a home here in Minnesota. Tomorrow, “Walter” will be needing our services.

Walter does not have any temperament or behavioral issues; however, he does have some serious skin problems that his owners can no longer afford to deal with. Walter is six years old and he has had “skin issues” such as yeast infections, for quite some time. Hopefully, our rescue vets will have some ideas that Walter’s former vet has not yet tried and we can get him on the road to recovery.

Walter’s new foster family are not strangers to BCARN. They adopted a rescue Bullie from us last summer and they have been very happy with her. They recently lost their other Bulldog to “old age” and contacted us hoping to adopt another rescue dog. I asked if they’d be willing to consider a “foster to adopt” situation. This is where the prospective owner fosters the dog before the actual adoption takes place. We don’t normally do “fosters to adopt” simply because many of the Bulldogs coming into rescue need periods of evaluation and often times, some extensive behavior modification. However, in cases where behavior is not a problem and the prospective owners are well-experienced with the breed, “foster to adopt” situations can be beneficial to both the proposed new owners and the rescue organization.

Rescue groups are always in need of foster homes, so a foster-to-adopt gives the foster families who foster a lot a break from fostering. Fostering a dog before adopting also gives the prospective new owners plenty of time to get to know the dog before the actual adoption takes place. In situations like Walter’s, it may take time for us to see results of whether or not his skin condition can be controlled, so fostering-to-adopt is less disruptive to the dog if he gets to stay in the same home during what will probably be long-term treatment.

Walter will be evaluated by one of our “rescue vets” at Inver Grove Heights Animal Hospital and from there he will go to his new foster family. Hopefully, all will work out and it will end up as his “forever home”.



**walter**



## Did 'Ya Know?

Thirty-three percent of dog owners talk to their pets on the phone.

Fifty-three percent of pet owners vacation and travel with their pets.

Your average dog has 42 permanent teeth.

Most domestic dogs can reach a top speed of 19 mph, but greyhounds are able to get up to 42 mph.

Dog not want to go out in the rain? Your dog may not fear getting wet. Rain amplifies sound and may hurt their ears.

Source: Fun Facts About Dogs by Richard Torregrossa

Some health plans now cover titers!

# LEARN ABOUT TITERS

## Vaccine Titers: A Great AKC Wellness Plus Plan Benefit

The AKC Pet Healthcare Plan recognizes that veterinary care and treatments for your pet is ever changing. We try to keep up with these trends, to ensure that you and your pet have the most comprehensive insurance plans available. Much like the human healthcare industry, every year old methodologies and processes are being challenged and newer technology and thought processes are introduced. One of the more recent things being challenged is the way we vaccinate our pets. It has sparked a heated debate over which method is better; giving annual vaccinations or pulling vaccine titers? As a result the AKC Pet healthcare Plan starting offering vaccine titer coverage on our Wellness Plus Plan.

### What is a vaccine titer?

The term titer refers to the strength or concentration of a substance in a solution. A titer is a blood test that can identify the presence of antibodies induced by vaccinations. This test will determine if a pet really needs a vaccine prior to it actually getting one.

### Why pull a titer test?

Recent findings have shown that we might be over vaccinating our pets. Studies have shown some harmful side effects of over vaccinating; minor allergic reactions such as facial swelling and itching, cancerous tumors in cats, autoimmune diseases in dogs such as anemia, platelet problems and joint disease have been linked as well.

The practice of giving vaccines annually has saved millions of dogs and cats lives. Prior to the days of effective vaccines dogs routinely died from distemper, hepatitis, leptospirosis, parvovirus and complications of upper respiratory infections. However, many states are starting to take note that annual vaccinations are not always in the best interest of the pet. Some states have changes annual rabies vaccines to every three years.

The actual number of dog's negatively impacted by annual vaccines is not known. There is no longer a national database in the United States that allows veterinarians to report adverse vaccine reactions. The U.S. Pharmacopeia's Veterinary Practitioners' Reporting Program lost funding in April of 2003. The AVMA.org website, reports that the vaccine reactions may be as frequent as 1:1,000 to 1:10,000.

The debate over vaccines and titers remains a large one today. Enlightened pet owners are consulting with their veterinarian to decide on the best way to vaccinate their pet, depending on factors such as their pet's age, health status, environment and potential exposure to infectious diseases. Veterinarians are leaning toward vaccination protocols that are tailored to each pet's individual needs and risk of exposure.

Veterinarians may recommend a titer test rather booster vaccinations for some pets. Ask your veterinarian for details to decide if this is a good alternative for your pet. Whatever choice is made the AKC Pet Healthcare has you covered with our Wellness Plus Plan or Wellness Plan. If you already have a dog or cat insured under the AKC Pet Healthcare Plan and were not aware of the titer coverage the Wellness Plus Plan, call our Customer Service Team today toll free at 1.866.725.2747 for details.



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# Wrinkle Time

You Wrote the Caption

Fred Flintstone!

Let's ride!

Onward! To the meat department!

I realize I don't fit in the seat but  
come on!

Loudspeaker: "Clean up in aisle 5."  
Bulldog: "heheheheh busted!"

Anyone else think it's wrong that  
the sticky screaming kid gets to  
come in the store but the well be-  
haved bulldog has to sneak in?

Hey, I'm stuck... let me get out and  
shop too... wait there was a toy in that aisle!!

I know the Pupperonis are back this way...if can just get the cart to move backward.

If I don't pant so hard they may not know I'm in the grocery store.



Marriott



# BRAGS BRAGS BRAGS

Me and smush got our UKC RO1 title on Jan. 22nd – Jenny

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Al —Wmson's Silverado A Smooth Ride went Best of Breed both days Jan 21 and 22 out in Ventura California. We came out to visit our daughter for a month or two and decided to enter the dogs in the Ventura Show.

We did very well, our Frenchie female" Lily" won winners bitch the 1st day and finished her championship. I put her in The Best of Breed class the next day and she took Best of Opposite with another CH bitch in the class.

We were very excited about that.

Charlie—Wmson's Dakota Dreams Good Time Charlie won Reserve Winners both days

Roxanne Williamson

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Friday the 13th was not an unlucky day for the Guthmiller family. Reingold Briar Rose of Lochisle (Rosie) gave birth to a beautiful litter of 5 girls and 2 boys. Sire of the litter is Champion Reingold Cut To The Chase. Momma and babies are all doing well. (see UBER cute picture below)





# Marcie and her daddy







**Happy  
Valentine's  
Day**

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**We are on Facebook!**

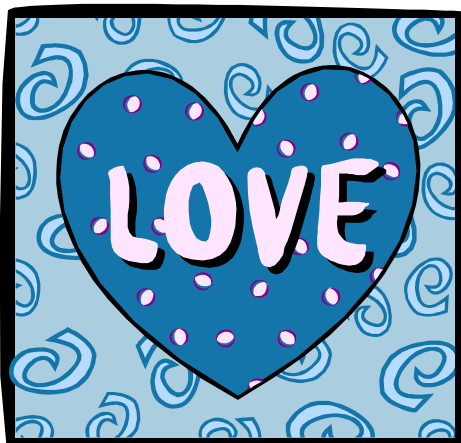
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[www.wrinkletime.org](http://www.wrinkletime.org)

## 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.



**Happy Valentines Day!**