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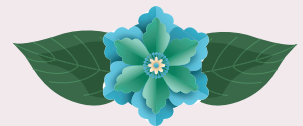
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exceptional care for every hound that comes to us in need.

INVITATION TO FOLLOW

## THE BASSETEER

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SPRING 2022

# THE BASSETTEER

A PUBLICATION OF BASSET HOUND RESCUE OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

## 25 YEARS OF RESCUE, LOVE AND SLOBBER



Basset Hound Rescue of Southern California (BHRSC) is thrilled to announce the in-person (and in-hound!) return of our annual Spring Games, just in time for this special event's 25th Anniversary! Mark your calendar now and please join us for fun, festivities, food, prizes, and sweet basset-themed art on Saturday, April 23, 2022 at William R. Mason Regional Park in Irvine, CA.

In 1994, one of BHRSC's founding members attended a Basset Olympics event hosted by an Oregon rescue

group. She brought the idea down to Southern California, and in 1997, BHRSC hosted our first Spring Games. Envisioned as a festival-like atmosphere where Basset Hounds and their human servants can meet and mingle for friendly competition and a good cause, the Games were initially hosted at a park in Los Angeles County. Early editions were smaller, picnic-like affairs, with events and vendors added as time passed. As the years have gone by, BHRSC has added more events, competitions, and artisans, and we have gratefully

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# LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT •

Dear Hound Lovers:

Happy New Year!

We hope 2021 ended on a high note for you and your hounds and 2022 is starting off well.

In 2021, Basset Hound Rescue of Southern California saw some changes. We had a new President, Felicia Vandever, lead us. And, while we had to reprise our Virtual Spring Games, we were able to have Bids & Bites in person. After such a long time of not seeing familiar human faces, this was very exciting. We also were able to have an in person Brunch with Bassets with Santa and all the drooling faces we love so much.

What's up in 2022? First, Felicia and her beautiful family are moving away from Southern California and she is stepping down from her role as President. We are fortunate that she is going to continue to help us on projects that can be done remotely.

The Board has decided that before selecting a new permanent President, we will work as a team to fill the day to day tasks of that role. In terms of formal

positions I will assume the role of Acting President and the rest of the Board will remain in their long standing roles: Jenny Walker will remain Vice- President; Jill McLoughlin will remain Secretary; and Dawn Keeney will remain Treasurer. Together, we have 30 collective years of serving on the Board and many more years of volunteering for this amazing organization. We are confident that this team can lead the way in 2022.

Second, we will be actively working to expand the Board to include more Hound lovers. Stay tuned for more details on that.

Finally, we will be hosting our 25th Spring Games in person on April 23, 2022 at Mason Regional Park in Irvine. 25 years! What an amazing feat.

We are excited for Basset Hound Rescue of Southern California's future in 2022 and we are especially excited to be able to SEE all of you and your long eared friends at an event soon.

We wish you all an amazing 2022!

Pam Schmidt



## 25TH ANNIVERSARY (CONT'D. FROM PG. 1)

seen the Spring Games grow into our largest annual event! Though the event has grown each year, it was approximately seven years ago that we outgrew our picnic grounds in Arcadia and moved the event to its' current location at the larger Mason Regional Park. The expansive grounds at Mason Park allows us both more space for events, food options, vendors, and (importantly) basset sniffing space, but also the ability to set up our event the day prior given how large it has become.

In the eight years leading up to our first (COVID-mandated) virtual Spring Games in 2020, participation had more than doubled, and the amount raised for the rescue grown by more than six times! Although we are grateful for everyone's enthusiastic and generous participation in 2020 and 2021's virtual games, we could not be more excited to return in person this year! Spring Games is always such a fun, high-energy event, and we are most excited about humans and hounds all being together again. As we're sure you have, all of us at BHRSC have missed the feeling of community with our

fellow basset lovers, and cannot wait to see everyone and your gorgeous hounds again at the Spring Games! This year's event will feature all the entertaining and amusing ring events you are used to, including both a talent competition and costume contest. All your favorite vendors and artisans will be back, along with some fun new things this year. Be sure to register your hound by three weeks prior to the event to ensure you can receive your hound's personalized bandana and that your hound's name will be featured on the special 25th Anniversary edition t-shirt!

As with all of our events and operations, this event is not possible without volunteers, so if you have availability either on the day of the Games or the day prior, please consider signing up for a volunteer shift to help us put on a fun reunion and wonderful event for the whole family! To volunteer, please e-mail the Spring Games Coordinator at [springgames@bassethoundrescue.org](mailto:springgames@bassethoundrescue.org).

Hope to see you all there! 🐾

# BASSET HOUND RESCUE OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA'S 25TH ANNUAL

# SPRING GAMES BACK LIVE!

SATURDAY, APRIL 23, 2022 | 10AM TO 3PM | WILLIAM R. MASON REGIONAL PARK | 18712 UNIVERSITY DR. | IRVINE, CA 92612



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|-------------------|--------------------------|
| NAME              | PARTICIPATING HOUND NAME |
| ADDRESS           | PARTICIPATING HOUND NAME |
| CITY, STATE & ZIP | PARTICIPATING HOUND NAME |
| PHONE             | PARTICIPATING HOUND NAME |

Pre-registration is \$20 for the first Basset Hound, and \$10 for each additional basset. Please note, fees increase for on-site registration to \$25 for the first basset and \$10 for each additional hound. Official Spring Games t-shirts are available by pre-order only. IF YOU PRE-REGISTER YOUR HOUND, THEIR NAME WILL APPEAR ON THE EVENT SHIRT, MAKING IT A GREAT COLLECTIBLE! Men's and women's t-shirts sizes S-XXL are \$25. Order your hound a BHRSC 25th anniversary bandana with their name for \$16. **Pre-registration ends on Saturday April 2, 2022.** Please make checks payable to BHRSC. All proceeds go directly to Basset Hound Rescue of Southern California. If you have any questions, please email [springgames@bassethoundrescue.org](mailto:springgames@bassethoundrescue.org)



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|------------------------------------|----|-----------------------|
| NO. OF HOUNDS PARTICIPATING        | \$ | TOTAL REGISTRATION    |
| ADDITIONAL TAX DEDUCTIBLE DONATION | \$ | TOTAL DONATION        |
| NO. OF T-SHIRTS                    | \$ | TOTAL T-SHIRT PAYMENT |
| NO. OF BANDANAS                    | \$ | TOTAL BANDANA PAYMENT |
| TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED              |    |                       |





# MURDOCH

## SHINES IN HIS NEW HOME



In the fall of 2021, a sweet, affectionate basset boy named Murdoch came to Basset Hound Rescue of Southern California (BHRSC). Murdoch was 3 years old and suffered from recurring ear and skin infections. His family loved him, but they could no longer keep up with the extensive, and expensive, care that he needed, so they made the difficult decision to see if BHRSC could help him find a family with the time and resources to help him return to permanent good health.

When Murdoch visited with one of BHRSC's partner veterinarians, he was diagnosed with severe allergies. In addition to the rawness and scratching that come with most canine seasonal allergies, Murdoch's ears and skin would become so infected that they would frequently crust over with flakes and pus. Much specialized care would be needed.

Because of the expensive treatment and frequent vet visits necessary, Murdoch was an ideal candidate for BHRSC's foster-to-adopt program. Featured in the Spring 2021 print newsletter, the foster-to-adopt program pairs hounds with special needs with prospective adopters who will foster them while BHRSC arranges and pays for their vet care and food. Once the hound returns to full health, the formal adoption process can be completed.

### A new home

Luckily for Murdoch, BHRSC had just such a patient, special family waiting for an opportunity to foster-to-adopt! In November, Murdoch went home with Daniel and his family. In his new home, Murdoch lives with Daniel and his daughter and girlfriend, and new canine brother Bear, a 4-year-old Bichon

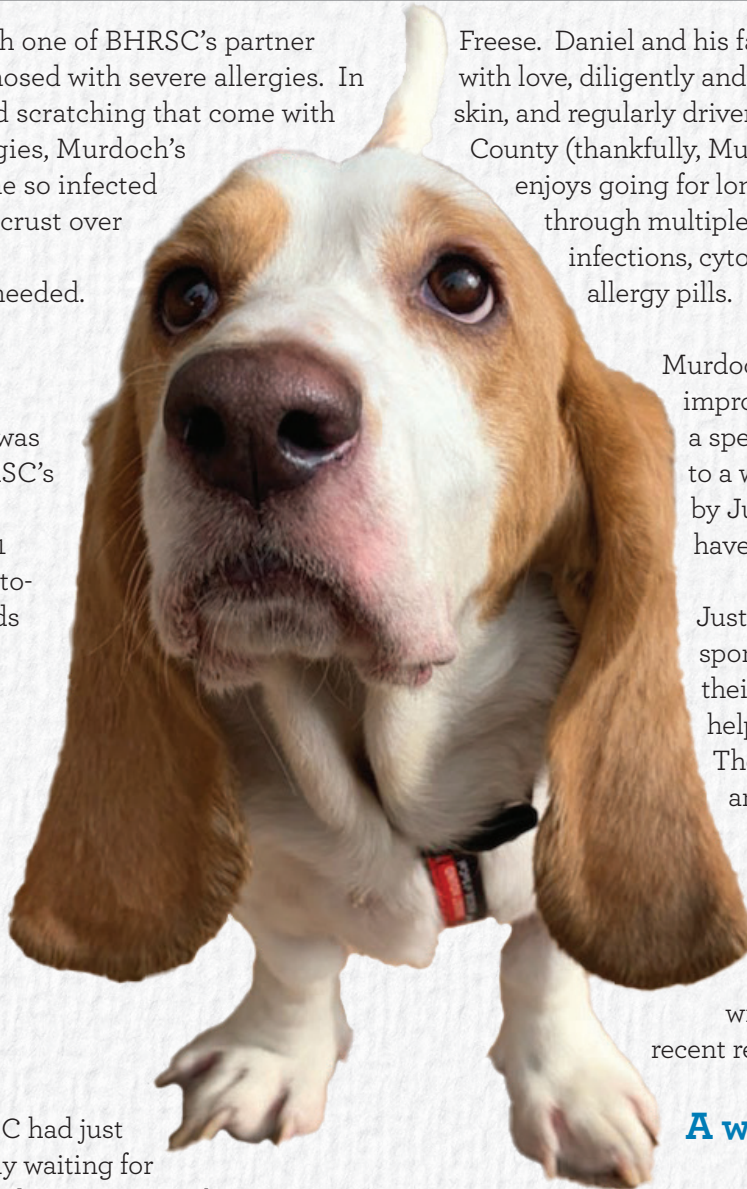
Freese. Daniel and his family have surrounded Murdoch with love, diligently and tenderly cleaned his ears and skin, and regularly driven to vet appointments in Orange County (thankfully, Murdoch is great in the car and enjoys going for long rides). Murdoch has been through multiple rounds of antibiotics for the infections, cytopoint injections, and lots of allergy pills.

Murdoch's health has dramatically improved. With medication, baths with a specialized shampoo, and switching to a whole human grade food provided by JustFoodForDogs his skin issues have resolved.

Just Food For Dogs currently sponsors Murdoch's diet as part of their outreach with rescue groups in helping dogs get better nutrition. The Fish and Sweet Potato recipe is anti-inflammatory and perfect for Murdoch's condition and he loves it and loves the pumpkin treats! He currently only requires treatment for recurring ear infections, which are managed with regular medication. At his recent recheck his ears are 80% improved!

### A wonderful addition

Daniel reports that Murdoch has been a great patient and wonderful addition to their family. His personality has become more boisterous as his health has improved and he's gotten comfortable in his new home.





## BEFORE



## AFTER



He is very affectionate, and loves playing with toys and his new family! Oftentimes, Murdoch will lie on his back and manipulate his favorite toys with his front paws, much like an adorable little (long-eared) otter. He also likes to throw his toys around and plays fetch with himself!

With his newfound energy, Murdoch keeps his family on their toes. He's good on walks and enjoys the exercise, with the energy of the Energizer Bunny. A smart boy, he retained some of the commands he had learned in his previous home and has added some new ones. Like many bassets, while he knows the commands and usually complies with them, it can be a little more questionable when he is distracted by food or a favored toy.

### Fulfilling the BHRSC promise

Murdoch's progress has left his new family and the rescue hopeful that his adoption can be formalized soon. Daniel raves about Murdoch, describing his extremely affectionate nature and desire to be as close to his people as possible, including in laps, beds, and with his face right up against yours.

Murdoch's favorite place to be is cuddled up, almost acting as a pillow for his humans. Daniel and his family refer to Murdoch as a happy guy and their loving bundle of joy.

For BHRSC, helping Murdoch and matching him with Daniel and his family represents a perfect example of both our purpose and the reward behind everything our organization does. We are grateful to our partner vets and Just Food for Dogs, and to wonderful families like the Daniels who offer space in their homes and hearts for hounds in need.

BHRSC is fortunate that our supporters have put us in a position to help hounds with special needs like Murdoch. We are most thankful for families who are willing to foster and adopt wonderful hounds with some challenges, knowing that the love and time they put in will help a happy hound to blossom like Murdoch has. 🐾





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Jo - Pet Parent



## • CALENDAR OF EVENTS •

23

APRIL

### 25TH ANNUAL SPRING GAMES

**LIVE!** 10 am to 3 pm  
WILLIAM R. MASON REGIONAL PARK  
18712 UNIVERSITY DRIVE, IRVINE, CA

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OCTOBER

### 8th ANNUAL BIDS & BITES FOR BASSETS

6 PM-10 PM  
HIGHWAY 39 EVENT CENTER  
1563 S STATE COLLEGE BLVD  
ANAHEIM, CA 92086

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DECEMBER

### BRUNCH WITH BASSETS

HOLIDAY & ADOPTION REUNION  
10 AM-NOON  
HUNTINGTON BEACH CENTRAL PARK  
CORNER OF EDWARDS ST. AND INLET DR.  
(NEAR THE DOG PARK)  
HUNTINGTON BEACH, CA 92648



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## • BHRSC VOLUNTEERS •

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS

**Pam Schmidt**  
Acting President

**Jenny Walker**, Vice-President

**Dawn Keeney**, Treasurer

**Jill McLoughlin**, Secretary

Basset Hound Rescue of Southern California operates with the daily support of an Executive and Associate Executive Committee comprised of 51 dedicated volunteers who help in all aspects of the organization, ranging from taking in hounds from shelters and owners, finding foster and forever homes, coordinating medical care, managing events, graphic and web design, social media and more.

## PAWS BHRSC'S TOP PAWS DONORS PAWS

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# ★ 2021: THE LONG & SHORT OF IT ★

**74**  
HAPPY HOUND  
ADOPTIONS

**465**  
GENEROUS  
MONETARY  
DONORS

**74**  
WONDERFUL  
IN-KIND  
DONORS

**43**  
FOSTERED  
HOUNDS

**37**  
FOSTER  
FAMILIES

**55**  
VOLUNTEER  
COMMITTEE  
POSITIONS

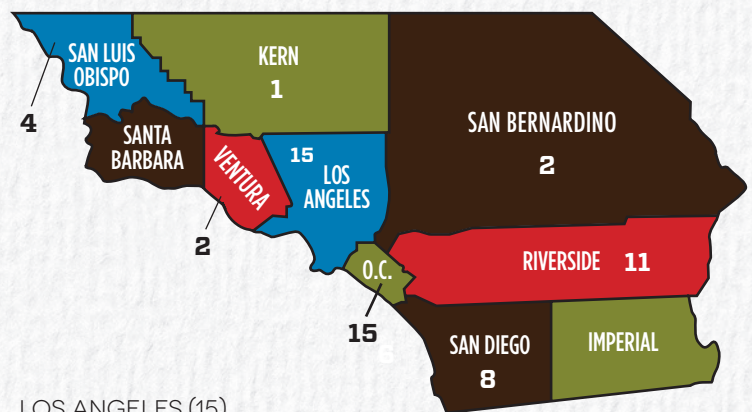
## 2021 HOUND INTAKES BY AGE

**2** UNDER  
1 YEAR  
**25** 1-2  
YEARS  
**13** 3-4  
YEARS  
**19** 5-7  
YEARS  
**21** 8 YEARS  
OR OLDER

## 2021 HOUND INTAKES BY SOURCE

**37** SURRENDERED  
BY OWNER  
**35** HOUND  
HAUL  
TRANSFERS  
**7** RESCUED  
FROM  
SHELTERS  
**+ 1** RESCUED  
FROM  
MEXICO  
**80** TOTAL  
HOUND  
INTAKES

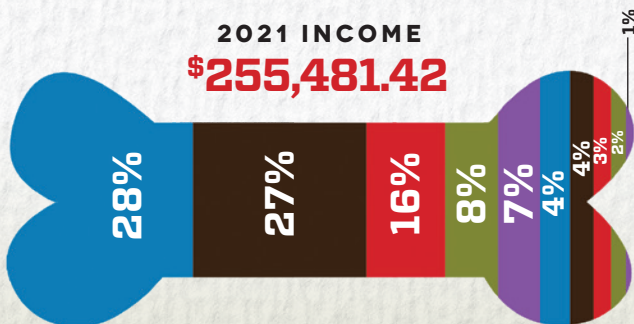
## 2021 ADOPTIONS BY COUNTY



LOS ANGELES (15)  
ORANGE COUNTY (15)  
SAN DIEGO (8)  
RIVERSIDE (11)  
VENTURA (2)  
SAN LUIS OBISPO (4)  
SAN BERNARDINO (2)  
ALAMEDA (1)

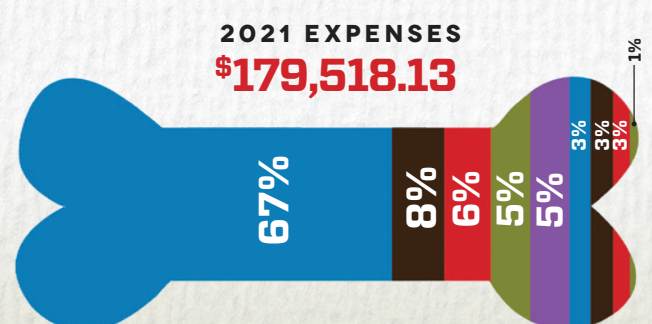
AMADOR (1)  
KERN (1)  
MADERA (1)  
MARIN (1)  
MERCED (1)  
OTHER - NON-CA (11)  
**TOTAL: 74**

## 2021 INCOME \$255,481.42



|                                          |                                       |
|------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| EVENTS<br>\$70,723.33<br>28%             | TRIBUTE GIFTS<br>\$10,285.00<br>4%    |
| GENERAL DONATIONS<br>\$69,207.61<br>27%  | SPECIAL REQUESTS<br>\$10,000.00<br>4% |
| ADOPTION FEES<br>\$41,908.57<br>16%      | MERCHANDISE<br>\$7,716.00<br>3%       |
| RECURRING DONATIONS<br>\$20,475.00<br>8% | CAMPAIGNS<br>\$3,940.00<br>2%         |
| GRANTS<br>\$19,000.00<br>7%              | OTHER<br>\$2,225.91<br>1%             |

## 2021 EXPENSES \$179,518.13



|                                     |                                 |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| VET EXPENSES<br>\$119,462.89<br>67% | BOARDING<br>\$6,024.61<br>3%    |
| EVENTS<br>\$13,782.85<br>8%         | FEES<br>\$5,148.69<br>3%        |
| OPERATING<br>\$10,550.80<br>6%      | MERCHANDISE<br>\$4,740.74<br>3% |
| ADVERTISING<br>\$8,887.95<br>5%     | OTHER<br>\$2,524.35<br>1%       |
| HOUND HAUL<br>\$8,395.25<br>5%      |                                 |