



# Rocky Mountain Tibetan Terrier Club

## Welcome

For those of you who are new to the club, a big welcome. Those of you who are returning members, welcome back. Our club was formed in 1997 for the purpose of hosting the national specialty in 1998. We have gone ahead and hosted specialties in 2004, 2009, and now we are getting ready for 2014.

RMTTC, with approximately 60 members, is an incorporated Not for Profit with an active rescue. Most of our excess funds go to the Tibetan Terrier Health and Welfare Foundation to help with rescue and health activities.

There are two fun parties a year. In the spring we usually have a play day where people can bring their dogs for games and competition along with a pot luck lunch for all puppy parents. In November, we usually have the holiday party, which is a holiday party for members, but without dogs. This year we are adding an arts day in July where we will learn to paint our dogs portraits.

We have a website([www.rockymountaintibetanterrierclub.org](http://www.rockymountaintibetanterrierclub.org)) and a Facebook page. Please feel free to browse both sites. Remember, no information on the 2014 national specialty will be on our Facebook page or our website. All information will be posted on the TTCA website and Facebook page, since national specialties are part of the national club.

Come and join us for any of our activities. Remember we are made up of rescue Tibetan Terriers, All American Dogs (mixed breeds), and those TT's bred by hobby breeders. Some of our dogs are shown in conformation and performance events and some of our dogs are free spirits, who just want to snooze on the couch. All are welcome members of RMTTC.

This newsletter contains the annual list of all RMTTC members. It will not be found on the website and is not reprinted during the year.

Join in with your dog and have some fun, learn something new about your pet, and meet some great fellow RMTTC members.

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# Birthdays!!



## Golden Birthday Club (15 and on)



Starlight (CH Char-Su's Starlight Express) - June 13, 1994

Owners: Chris Friemel and Cassandra Basgall

Happy Birthday Star Girl! Celebrating 19 (yes, NINETEEN) wonderful years!!! Starlight is adapting to life in Las Vegas since Chris and Larry moved there last year. She has trouble seeing and hearing, and isn't as agile as she once was; however, she is still going strong and her nose knows when it is time to show up in the kitchen for dinner. The Dog Whisperer at the Denver show in February told us the Starlight says that she has a couple more years ahead of her to go! Starlight changed our lives and we enjoy each and every moment with her.



Tory Marshall March 13th 15 years old

owned by Tammy Marshall

Tory - It is amazing how time flies and hard to believe that Tory turned 15 on March 13. Many great memories and success we had both in and out of the ring over the years with showing and pet therapy work. She is a constant companion and still rules the roost so to speak. Love you my Tory Glory!!!!

## Silver Birthday Club (10 to 14 years old)



**Margi Kind May 21 14 years old**

**owned by Elise Kind**

**Margi I can't believe your this old. Where did the time go, old girl. You are always with me. You even go to the Apple Store and snooze under the tables while I take a one to one class. Thanks Margi for being my confidant and best friend.**

**You are loved so much!!**



**Journey Marshall June 15th 10 years old**

**owned by Tammy Marshall**

**Journey - Journey will be 10 yrs old on June 15. She has so much of her mother Tory in her and why I love her so much. Her attitude continues to be seen everyday and just one of the reasons I love her so much. Happy Birthday my Journey Girl!!!!**

**Georgie, Max, and Bussy Peters 11 years old June 8th**

**Cassidy and William Peters 5 years old June 15th**

**owned by Brenda Peters**

**June is a three--ring circus in the Peters' household. We will start out with a triple birthday on June 8th. Georgie, Bussy, and Max will be 11 years old. This special day is followed June 15th which brings the big day for Cassidy & William who will be five —altho they certainly don't act the part. Never a dull moment no matter what time of year it is.**

# Celebrate, Celebrate, Dance To The Music



Duffy Stack 11 years old June 4th  
owned by Joe and Ann Stack

Hi I am Duffy, the 11 year old black and white Tibetan you played with at the annual picnic. It is always great fun running and running with a lot of sniffing thrown in. I remember Dallas hurriedly picking up the pony droppings, they were so tasty, I got mine before he finished.

Now that I am older Joe and Ann got me steps for our bed. Getting up was a chore and jumping down was hard on the old knees. I need to stay in shape so I can keep Joe in shape, for our daily walks. We have been driving to new locations because of the geese. They are more around our house than ever before and if I hear, "leave it" one more time! I'm sure when Ann and Joe are at a buffet he doesn't hear "leave it."

Well, when I see you at the next picnic (I'll be the good looking one), I'll tell you what it's like being a Tibetan living in an Irish household but as Joe says, none of us choose our parents.



Trixie Benton 11 years old May 23rd  
owned by Dallas and Sandy Benton



Trixie will be 11 on 5/23 and still loves her ice bones. She has hit the jackpot when she finds a large icicle to carry around and show off before she devours it. At the RMTTC Playday, you can always find her stationed at the pupsicles!



## BIRTHDAY YOUNGSTERS!!



Beauty (CH Starlight's Beautiful Dreamer RN) - March 7, 2004

Owners - Cassandra Basgall and Chris Friemel

Beauty celebrates turning 9 years old this year! Beauty made a return to the show ring in January and won Select Bitch under Judge Sue Carr at the Palm Springs Kennel Club show, letting her granddaughter Lady take Best of Breed. Beauty still loves to show and may make a few more appearances in the ring.

Kisse-Kisse Marshall 2 in May

owned by Tammy Marshall

Kisse- Kisse my girl from Finland has fit in my family from day one. It is hard to believe she will be 2 in May. Plans to get her out in the ring were delayed with my knee surgery but we are gearing up for that day later this summer!

Bling and Dash Marshall 5 years old May 4

owned by Tammy Marshall

Bling and Dash - May 4 these two silly and loveable brothers turn 5 years old. These boys are dear to my heart being out of Tux and I see so much of him in them with their personalities and why I couldn't part with either one. Love these boys!!!!

Breezy Gibson 6 years old April 7

owned by Grant Gibson

Jashe' Zanne's April Breeze April 7 with be 6 years old. The last 6 months have been a time of relaxation and recovery for Breezy. Puppies are grown and no more dog shows, she just enjoys playing with the other dogs and hanging around the house.

Snickers Ebertowski 6 years old April 7th

Snickers, son of MolLee and Koda is celebrating his 6th birthday on April 7. Still having fun chasing squirrels and occasionally deer from HIS yard!! Loves looking out the window at neighborhood kids and an occasional cat intruder.



Crackers Wille 1 year old May 29th

owned by Suzanne and David Wille.

Crackers, Happy Birthday sweet puppy girl!!

Razzi and Randi Benton

Dallas & Sandy Benton can't believe that Razzi & Randi will be 7 on 5/20, it seems we were just leaning over the whelping box.



# The Rainbow Bridge



*It has been a tough year.*

*We had to say good by to our 1st TT, "Boo", (CH Malishars Kenpo Boochak) 18 yrs old and 4 months, in June.*



*Sadly in November we had to say goodbye to Boo's son, our sweet boy, "Tinker", (CH Akbar Mida), our 1st Bred By CH. It was very tragic, since he was so young, not quite 8 yrs old.*

*He became very sick quickly and left very fast. We only had a few days to say goodbye.*

*We are pretty confident he died of a very aggressive cancer of the bone marrow, called Multiple Myeloma.*

*We miss you both,*

*Jackie and Brian*

from Jackie Kaar

For all of us it is always traumatic and sad when we lose our wonderful canine companions.

I wanted to share this with you so that you may get comfort from this idea which is based on the idea of The Great Guardian Spirit of all animals. A native American Indian belief philosophy.

If you want to read more, you can find it in the  
Cassandra Press in San Rafael, CA . The ISBN is 0-945946-02-3, 1998

A excerpt from "Awakening to the Animal  
Kingdom" by Robert Shapiro and Julie Rapkin

A Message From Our Loving Pet Dogs

When a pet dog dies, it returns to the pet angelic realm. We do not live there, even though some of you consider us to be angels. We will pass through that realm into the dog spirit Oneness, which is directly and totally connected to the Earth. At that point, we will choose where to reincarnate. It is unlikely for a dog soul to choose not to reincarnate.

For those surviving families that are left behind, just think about us in our found memories, and don't give up on the dog world. Think about us and remember us in energy. It is very possible to attract us in a reincarnated form. If the family wants to take another dog in, wait three months. Concentrate on our energy, and allow a portion of our soul to be attracted into another dog body. We may not reincarnate in the same species. On certain occasions, we will choose to reincarnate within a living dog. Some living dogs that have had difficult lives and are on death row at the animal shelter (animal prison) can join souls with the incoming spirit. We would then attempt to give you some kind of signal or message that we are in your presence. We will usually do something on an energy level that you will gravitate toward. Or we may gesture in a way that you would recognize from our life in our other body.



# The Rainbow Bridge



*Barkley Jenkins C.G.C., Service Dog  
Loved by Carol Jenkins*

Dear Friends,

Yesterday evening, I made the very difficult decision to let Barkley go to his Reward, Across the Rainbow Bridge. He was a wonderful loving, loyal dog. He was very smart, an exemplary Certified Service Dog and an AKC Certified Canine Good Citizen.

I was privileged to be his companion, handler, and mommy for a short 6 1/2 years. He had diligently performed his duties and continued to do so until his illness overtook him.

Barkley had developed diabetes, with an underlying disorder that made it nearly impossible to get and keep his glucose under control. During the last month, he was losing some mental capacity in very small ways. Early yesterday morning, he presented with shaking, thirst and extremely high temperature. The veterinarian treating him was unable to allay his symptoms and due to the 104 degree temperature, his mental capacity was diminished. He was unaware of his surroundings and he no longer knew who I was. I believed that relieving him of these very uncomfortable burdens was the most compassionate thing I could do for him. So, Barkley and I spent some time together, then he slipped quietly away. I cuddled him for another half hour and left him to the veterinarian.

Carol



# BRAGS!! BRAGS!! BRAGS!!



**Starlight's Dark Side of the Moon, Luna, owned by Cassandra Basgall and Chris Friemel**, completed her championship at the Denver shows in February, getting WB three times, including two majors, and taking home Select Bitch on the fourth day. The weekend capped off a great showing as a puppy which included bringing home a Best in Match and three Bred-By Exhibitor Group One wins.



**CH. Zannes Hoku at Dav-Id owned by Mary Haugen and Elise Kind** was BOB on Saturday at the February Denver shows. **As a special she is handled by Courtney Gibson.** PansyJane was bred by Grant Gibson and Suzanne Penner.

## CONGRATULATIONS!!

A big congratulation to **Courtney Gibson**, who won winners bitch at Westminster this past February with her girl Belle.

Courtney is a freshman at Colorado State University with a major in equine science and hopes to become a veterinarian.

### Thank You

Thank you for your donation to RMTTC.

Dwight and Marjorie Bremer  
Darleen Cioffi-Ragan  
Estelle Pinsky  
David and Suzanne Wille



## Spring Time Hazards

The days are getting longer and warmer and people are getting the urge to work in their gardens. Along with the joys of spring come some risks all pet owners must be aware of. At this time of the year, we begin to see more wildlife in all areas, whether you are a city



or country dweller. Last week *The Daily Reporter Herald* here in Loveland reported sightings of **fox** in Berthoud. One fox was reported to be rabid. Make sure you have checked your yard to make sure unwanted creatures are not prowling around when you let your dog out.

**Fertilizers** can be very harmful to pets, whether it's a natural or organic fertilizer. Keep your dog on the sidewalk, when you are out for a walk, and away from grass and shrubbery. Along with fertilizers, which can catch in an animal's fur, foxtails will also cling to a dog's fur and burrow into the ear canal, nose, and webbing between the toes. Not only are foxtails uncomfortable, but they can cause infections and bleeding.

Which plants are toxic and which are fine to use near animals? **One of the best sources for knowing which plants are safe for your dog is the ASPCA list found on their website [www.aspc.org](http://www.aspc.org).** Not only is there an extensive list of toxic and nontoxic plants, but each plant also has a picture to make identification easier.

Springtime can also bring allergies with sneezing and sniffing. Get your dog checked by his veterinarian to see if there is any relief for his symptoms. Also have your pup checked for **heartworm** and begin preventive medication.

Make spring a wonderful season for both you and your dog.



## Painting My Dog's Portrait

One of Northern Colorado's most popular artists, Pat Saunders-White began to focus her work on animals and pet portraiture about thirteen years ago. She graduated Magna Cum Laude BFA from Beloit College in studio painting and has used her love of strong color and pet portraiture to make her work instantly recognizable and very collectable.

**Ms. Saunders-White will teach a class for RMTTC members on painting your pet's portrait on Saturday, July 20th. You do not need to have any talent to take this class!**

### Below is an explanation of the class:

1. Every person who attends can send a digital 2 weeks prior to the workshop and I will hand draw their provided photograph onto the canvas.
2. Guests need to bring a sack lunch, liquid refreshment and a protective shirt or apron. There are also several good restaurants in the area where we can have lunch.

Materials provided consist of demonstrations and instruction, acrylic paints, 16 x 20" stretched canvas with picture hand drawn by instructor, brushes, water, pencils, eraser

The fee is \$85.00

Hours 10am - 4pm

location 225 4th St Loveland Co

check out Pat's website at [www.patsaunderswhite.com](http://www.patsaunderswhite.com)

**Please send me (Elise Kind [davidtt09@comcast.net](mailto:davidtt09@comcast.net)) any questions you may have about this class.**

## Spring Picnic

The annual picnic will be

**June 8th**

**at Dallas and Sandy's**

More information will follow as the date draws near.

## Top 10 Pet Poisons

1. Prescription Human Drugs
2. Insecticides
3. Over-The-Counter Drugs including vitamins
4. Veterinary Drugs and Products
5. Household Products, such as paint and cleaners
6. People Food, such as raisins, grapes, macadamia nuts, xylitol, onions, garlic, and avocados
7. Chocolate
8. Plants, such as lilies, oleander, Sago palm, etc
9. Rodenticides or over-the-counter products to kill mice, rats, etc
10. Lawn and Garden Products
11. Marijuana Products are beginning to be a problem now that Colorado has legalized "pot."

Keep all medicines on a top shelf where dogs can't reach. Check your local newspaper for days when you can bring your medications to a drop off place for recycling. Usually an agency of the city will schedule these recycling days several times a year.

Lastly keep food and drugs high on counters and tables, where your dog can't reach. Having all of these products in plastic containers with lids will insure your dog doesn't get a chance to check out these toxic items.

Charlie Meynier and Tom Suplizio veterinarians at the Vail Valley Animal Hospital and ER

*The Denver Post and The Vail Daily*

### 2014 National Specialty

We have begun work on the 2014 national specialty. Right now we are working on getting t-shirts ready to take to Greensboro to introduce our logo and the 2014 specialty.

Our superintendent and conformation judge are hired, so we are coming along with those plans. These items are just the beginning of the work that will need to be done. After the Greensboro show, we will need to shift into high gear and get everything in place for the show. We still need to fill several committees and get people to help during the show.

If you are going to the 2013 specialty and could spare some time to sell t-shirts, let me know. I could really use some help getting everything ready to sell and then selling with me. Also if someone in the Colorado area is driving and could take some of our items to the show, please give me a call.

If you can spare a few hours of your time to the show, we need volunteers to be part of committees and to work at the show in May, 2014. Let me know if you can help in any way.

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"SEE THIS YELLOW RIBBON ON MY DOG'S LEASH? IT MEANS 'MY DOG NEEDS SPACE' PLEASE RESPECT THAT, THANKS!"

If you see a dog with a yellow ribbon or something yellow on the leash this is a dog who needs some space. Please do not approach this dog or its people with your dog. They are indicating that their dog cannot be near other dogs. How close is too close? Only the dog or his people know, so maintain distance or give them time to move out of your way.

There are many reasons why a dog may need space:

- Maybe he has health issues or is in training.
- She may be a rescue dog being rehabilitated. The world can be a very scary place for these dogs.
- He may have had a bad experience with another dog or just not like the kind of friendly dogs who always want to say "Hi!"



In short, a yellow marker on a dog means it needs a little space.

Thank you! Those of us who own these dogs appreciate your help and respect.

find us on facebook @ pit bulls lost/pound/missing/index

### Rabies Warning

There is an increase in rabid animals that have been found along the front range this spring. Usually rabies is primarily confined to bats, but this year there seem to be more small animals, such as fox, skunks, and raccoons that have been found with rabies.

Make sure your dog has an up to date rabies vaccination, to keep her and your family safe from the disease. Even if your dog doesn't come in direct contact with a rabid animal, she could be quarantined for just being near the sick or dead animal.

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## AUCTION AUCTION

One of the main ways that groups finance their national specialties is by the auction. People bring TT items to the auction dinner at the specialty. People then bid on and win TT items.

Our auction will be at the 2013 auction dinner in Greensboro, in August. If you make something or already have something that you are willing to part with for the auction, let me know. The more items we gather, the more money we make for the nationals. You can bring your items to the picnic or you can call me and I'll come by and pick up your things, as long as your close to me. Winnipeg is too far for pick up!

If you are out of state and want to send an item for the auction, you can send it to me:

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or

Charlie and Dee Travella  
915 South Bend Dr.  
Durham, North Carolina 27713

## Thank You

A big thank you to **Brenda Peters** for the candid picture of your dog in the daisies. **Jack and Judy Williams**, the picture of Roxy in the Blue Bonnets makes us feel that spring is on the way, especially when the high temperature is 23 degrees today with snow and a nasty wind. Brrrr!!

**David and Suzanne Wille**, thanks for the picture of a very happy Crackers. What joy in the snow! **Donna and John Holloway** what a great birthday party for Rusty. Now all the other dogs will be jealous.

## Rust Holloway Celebrates His Birthday In Style



Rusty Holloway had quite an exciting 11th birthday celebration with his friends in Arizona in January. Cake and goodies for everyone!!

Way to go Rusty!



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