



Wrinkle Time

AUGUST 2012

No Bull...Just Fun

Next Gathering!

Pet Supplies Plus, Burnsville, MN
September 30, 2012 at 1:00 pm

Pet Supplies Plus is at the corner of County roads 42 and 5 in Burnsville, in the same building as the Cub Foods.

This will be our Halloween Costume Contest/Party.
Start working on your costumes now!



BCARN – MN Rescue Update for August, 2012

It appears we will have two Bullies coming into rescue soon. The first is a six year old intact male. His name is "Grumpy", but sounds like he is actually a pretty sweet dog. His current owner took him from a family that was moving and she has only had him a week. She said Grumpy hadn't been to a vet in a couple of years and so she brought him to a local clinic. The examining vet gave her a cost estimate to fix Grumpy's issues that are beyond her budget.

I don't know the extent of his medical issues as I don't have his veterinary information yet. However, judging from the photos I received from his current owner, at the very least I can see that he has eye infections, probably dry eye, interdigital cysts between his toes and possibly some tail pocket issues. Hopefully, he will not need to have his tail removed as that is an expensive surgery.

The second dog is also a six year old intact male. His name is "Tonka". Tonka was also a recent purchase by people who didn't think to ask if the dog could be returned if he didn't work out. There were some "red flags" that his current owners admit they should have considered before taking Tonka home with them.

Seems Tonka had been purchased by his former owners with the idea that they were going to start breeding Bulldogs. I don't know the details, but seems once they realized Bulldogs needed c-sections (\$\$\$\$) and that newborn Bulldog puppies require a lot of care (lots of sleep hours lost) the first month of their lives. These breeders of Poodles decided they weren't going to breed Bulldogs after all and decided to sell Tonka.

The new owners never got a chance to see how Tonka was in his former home as the seller met them somewhere at a roadside location. (Red flag #1) They also did not receive a contract that came with a trial period to return the dog if it did not work out. (Red flag #2)

Adult dogs are not blank slates like a nine week old puppy. They come with "baggage", whether they are rescue dogs or a dog found on craigslist or a newspaper ad. Secondhand dogs can be great companions and most adapt very well to their new homes, but it takes some careful matching to increase the odds that things work out. And some may not be the best match for just any home. A owner who is trying to rehome an adult dog should be asking questions to make sure your home is a suitable one for the dog they are trying to rehome. Tonka's current owners decided their home wasn't the best option for Tonka and contacted the sellers. The sellers refused to take Tonka back even though this family offered to let the sellers keep the money they paid for him.

Hopefully, once Tonka is neutered his marking issues will stop, but there is a chance that they may continue -- especially if the home has a lot of carpeting, which can hold odors and encourage repeat

marking and owners who are vigilant about supervising him when loose in the home. Tonka will do better in a home with little or no carpeting. His current home has new carpet and a child day care, neither of which is ideal for an intact dog with marking issues.

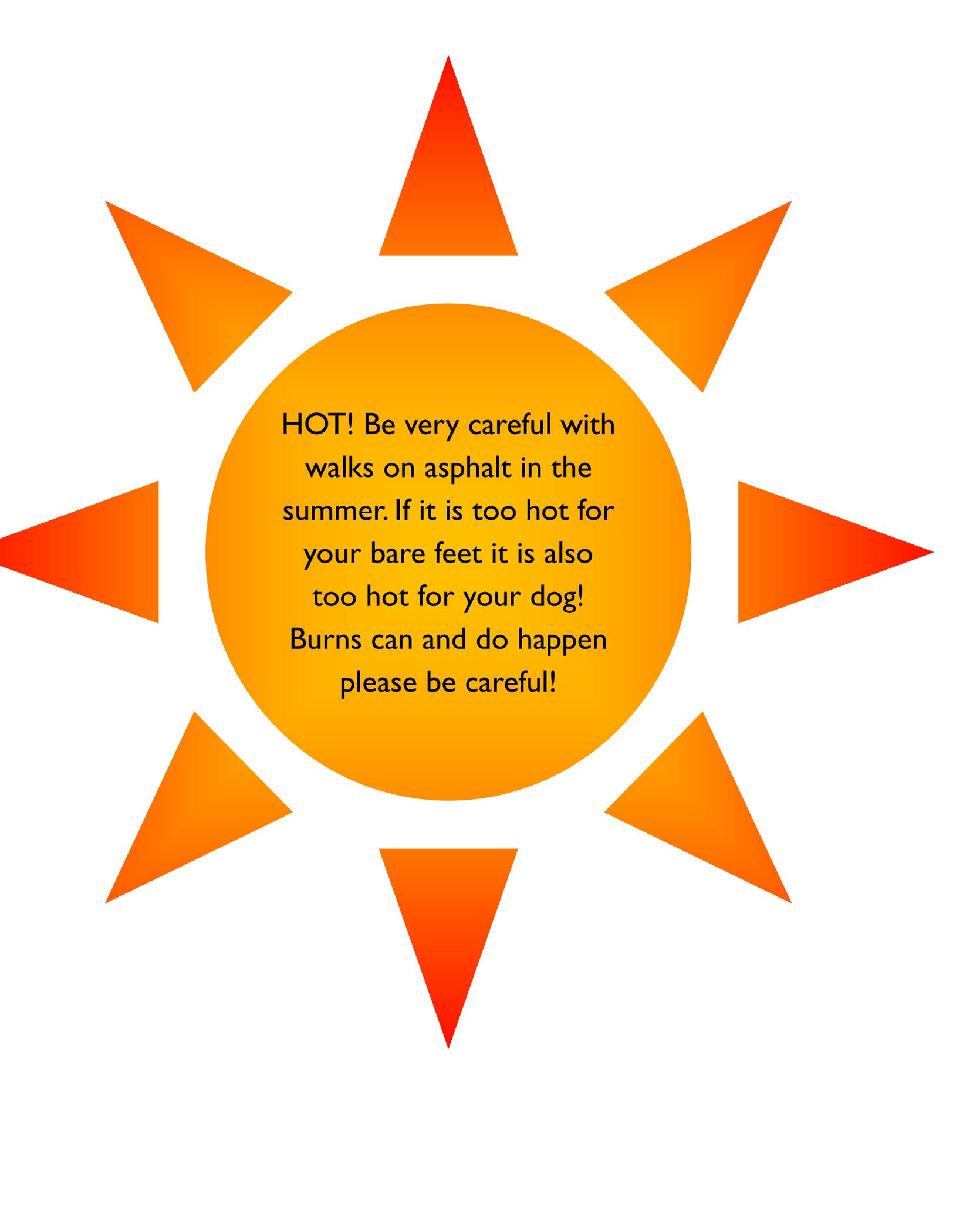
In the next edition of the Wrinkle Time newsletter, I will go over some things to ask a seller when considering if a particular adult Bulldog is a good idea for your home.

Last month I told you about Max/Mack. He is doing pretty well in his new home where he is in a "foster to adopt" situation. They have had a few incidents where Mack did not want to follow the rules. Fortunately, his new owners seem to have the experience needed to quash his undesirable behaviors and things seem to be working out. Mack is a bit of a talker when he doesn't like something and the Fourth of July was not a good night for his new family. It seems Mack kept them up a good part of the night barking at the fireworks going off all around the neighborhood. Good thing for them that only happens once a year! However, even with Mack's personality quirks, he's managed to worm his way into their hearts and his adoption will be taking place soon.



Tonka





HOT! Be very careful with
walks on asphalt in the
summer. If it is too hot for
your bare feet it is also
too hot for your dog!
Burns can and do happen
please be careful!

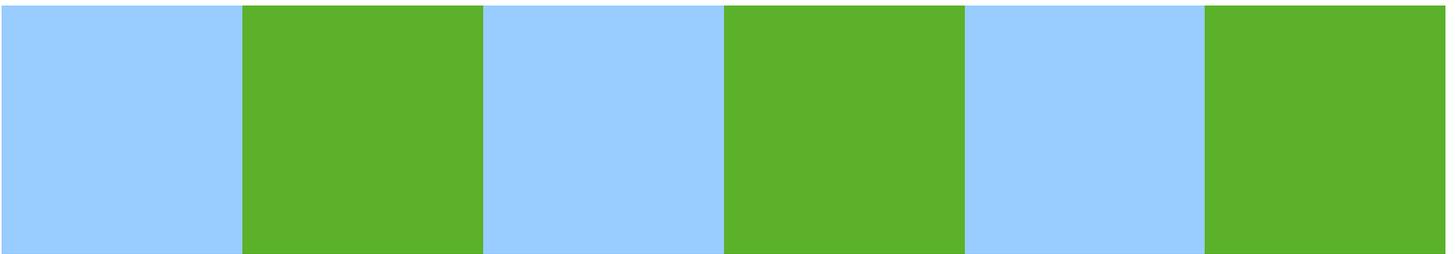
You Write the Caption



Queen Lulu

Please send your captions to karen@pantheonbulldogs.com

Wrinkle Time



While we at Wrinkle Time DO advocate being a responsible dog owner and picking up after your dog, I don't think this is what is meant...



Bulldog Property Laws

If I like it, it's mine.

If I saw it first, it's mine.

If it's in my mouth, it's mine.

If I can take it from you, it's mine.

If it looks like mine, it's mine.

If I had it a little while ago, it's mine.

If you have something and put it down, it's mine.

If I chew something up, all of the pieces are mine.

If it used to be yours, get over it.

If it's broken, it's yours.



You Wrote the Caption

Harlow



- Pigs in a Blanket? Hey—I resemble that remark!
- I AM saying cheese mamma!!!
- I have no idea how I am going to get out of here
- What's the weight limit on this thing anyway?
- are you sure this is going to hold me? oh well I am comfortable, leave me alone.
- Vacation...here I come.
- I hope this is ripstop...
- I'm just hanging around enjoying the sunshine.
- Hi, want to join me?
- My favorite way to start my day.
- Yep, I'm comfy, but I could use a snack...

We are on Facebook!

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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.

Ick, Ick, Ick!

Please, PLEASE be careful with the insecticides you use on your dogs! Most of the ones you buy in the big box retailers are PURE poison! Your best friend (and you) will be better off if you do your research!

