

# The Long & SHORT of it



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HIGH COUNTRY BASSET HOUND RESCUE & ADOPTION SERVICE, INC.

## Our Story

By Jeremy Humphrey

### Celebrating 30 years!

In 1981, Kay and Craig Green along with Mary and Jim Mosley began the process of officially forming the entity of High Country Basset Hound Rescue & Adoption Services, Inc. Kay Green was the very first HCBHR President as filed with the Secretary of State for Colorado in December 1981, and officially formed as a non-profit charity with the Internal Revenue Service in 1982. Placements began in 1981 with the re-homing of a Basset named "Happy", tag number 1; beginning a productive year placing 27 Basset Hounds. By July of 1986, HCBHR had elected its second president; Elizabeth (Libby) Saliada who also served a little over four years when the baton was passed to rescue's third and longest serving President, Theo Clark. By the end of 1986, BHR had placed 176 Bassets. Theo served over ten years as President, and was the voice of rescue for so many abandoned and rejected Basset Hounds.

The business of rescue hasn't changed much over the last thirty years; Bassets come in and get a health check to make sure they are healthy. They are evaluated for vaccinations or other procedures they may need like spaying or neutering. In the early days, each Basset was tattooed in order to track them in the database. Babs Edson, who insists that she was a "do-er", remembers taking them to their appointments because "that's what I could do to help out the rescue". Today, each Basset receives a tag with a corresponding number to the database. Fund raising is always on our calendar with many events. In the early days, much of the community would see Basset Rescue in the local malls like Southwest Plaza where Libby, Babs, Mary Mosley, and Kay Green would organize costume parades to show off the Bassets and promote the purpose of Basset Rescue in the Colorado Community. Though the malls will no longer allow the Bassets in their hallways, we honor this activity in our annual picnics.

In 1990, Basset Rescue grew significantly with the addition of a new Placement Coordinator in Colorado Springs, Cindy Hastreiter. By this time, the placement volume in Denver fluctuated between 25 to 70 dogs a year.

Having a greater outreach to more potential homes in Colorado allowed them the potential to place more dogs than ever before. A few years after Cindy took on placements, Denver received a new Placement Coordinator in Joanne Keiderling, who brought a passion for placements and a talent for communicating with many people turning over dogs to HCBHR because they were losing their homes or moving; or screening new adoptive homes about the process of a home visit. Joanne and Cindy were a great team, and between them they were able to increase the volume of placement into a stable 70 to 80 dogs a year always keeping the Bassets as priority one.

Through the years, HCBHR has had many volunteers, foster homes, managers and over 2,400 adoptive families, and many of those repeat adopters. In the 30 years that Basset Rescue has been around, we've never published earnings because all those numbers can be found through the IRS filings of our form 990s; however, we have never talked about what our annual budget looks like. 100 percent of all contributions and adoption fees collected, and all fund raising activities goes directly back into the general fund to take care of the Basset Hounds so we can continue to save as many dogs as our systems will allow. With that said, I'd like to leave you with this. We all have a voice and right to participate in the cause of Basset Rescue - whether we foster, adopt, transport, or support events - each job is critical to the success of HCBHR. Thanks to every one of our past and present supporters to Basset Rescue. Here is a general view into our annual budget. Know that when you contribute money or time it all goes to support our system as not one volunteer is paid a salary and is not compensated monetarily for their jobs supporting HCBHR.

Basset Rescue Basic Budget 2012			
Veterinary Fees	\$ 20,000	93%	Directly related to placing Basset Hounds
Licensing and Fees	\$ 3,000		
Postage and Delivery	\$ 2,000		
Education	\$ 1,000		
Picnic Registration	\$ 1,000	7%	Operational Support to drive the placement activities
Merchandise for Picnics	\$ 1,000		
	\$ 28,000		



## Upcoming Events in 2012

### *Calling All Bassets!*

Come and celebrate our 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary with us at our 2012 Annual Picnics!

### DENVER:

When: Saturday, June 2  
Time: 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.  
Where: Clement Park (same park as last year)  
7306 W. Bowles Avenue  
Littleton, CO. 80123  
Shelter #2

Hotdogs, hamburgers, veggie burgers, and drinks will be provided.

*\*Please bring a side dish, fruit, or dessert to share.*

There will be a Silent Auction and merchandise available for purchase.

If you have any donations for the silent auction, call Donna @ 719.651.3866.

#### *Contests include:*

Longest Ears    Fastest Milkbone® Eater  
Most Freckles    Droopiest Eyes  
Best Trick

### COLORADO SPRINGS:

When: Saturday, September 15 (new date)  
Time: 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.  
Where: Lazyland Park  
3650 Maizeland Road  
Colorado Springs, CO.

Hotdogs, dessert, and drinks will be provided.

*\*Please bring a side dish to share.*

There will be a Silent Auction and merchandise available for purchase.

If you have any donations for the silent auction, call Carla @ 719.217.3814.

#### *Contests include:*

Best Costume    Best Howler  
Longest Ears    Fastest Milkbone Eater  
Most Freckles    Droopiest Eyes  
Best Trick    Biggest Feet

Please direct any questions to Cindy @ 719.494.8377.

### FORT COLLINS:

Date and location details are coming soon.

Please check our Website for the most up-to-date information at:

<http://www.coloradobassetrescue.com/>

Hotdogs, hamburgers, and drinks will be provided.

*\*Please bring a side dish to share.*

There will be a Silent Auction and merchandise available for purchase.

### *Colorado Springs Annual Garage Sale*



When: Friday, June 8 & Saturday, June 9  
Time: 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.  
Where: 912 Hayden Drive  
Colorado Springs, CO.

Donations needed! Call Carla @ 719.217.3814 to arrange a time for drop off.

### *Fire Hydrant 5 Pet Expo*

Come and check it out!

Where: At Edora Park in Fort Collins

When: Saturday, June 9

Time: 8:00 a.m. – Noon

Basset Hound Rescue will be in attendance!



### *Denver Pet Expo*

Saturday, August 11th

From 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

at the Merchandise Mart.

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## Fundraising News

Cindy Hastreiter is taking over Fundraising Coordination in the Colorado Springs area. Contact number is 719.494.8377.

Donna Wensec will be helping out with fundraising in the Denver area, and is looking for new volunteers to organize some events. Contact number is 719.651.3866.

Nicole Deubach is the Loveland/Fort Collins area Fundraising and Event Coordinator. Contact number is 970.980.8522.

If you have any fundraising ideas or would like to sign up as a contact to help with events, please contact us. Thank you for your support!

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## We have a *royal* treat for you!

### Duke (#2669)



This is Duke. He is a light colored lemon and white 6 year old neutered male, and is up-to-date on his shots. Duke is housebroken with a dog door. He probably can also

needs to be let out if you do not have a dog door.

Duke loves to lie in the sun, have his belly and ears rubbed, and gets along great with other dogs. He does not appear to be a barker. Duke also rides nicely in a car, and walks well on a leash. If you let him, Duke will find a spot on your sofa and make himself at home.

Duke does startle by quick and sudden movements and loud noises. He would do best with another dog, preferably female. Duke is an absolute sweetheart and will make someone a great companion. Patience is the key with this guy. Can you give Duke the home he needs?

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## Active Hound seeking forever home!

### George (#2745)

Hello this is George, a very active Hound, who loves other dogs and children of all ages. George loves to play inside and outside



all day. He loves to please his human friends and listens when you call him and also knows a few commands like sit and stay. George loves attention and

cuddling with you all day. As most Basset Hounds George's front legs are unique, but that doesn't stop him from running around the yard. He is about six years old and was rescued from a shelter. George is potty trained and likes to go for daily walks. He also loves riding in the car. He is completely healthy and up-to-date on his shots, so all George needs now is a family to care for him and a place to call his forever home. George is truly one of the sweetest Hounds that we ever fostered.

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### Cody (#2748)

Hi. My name is Cody. I'm a 4 year old neutered tri-color male. I'm kind of shy at first, but warm up quickly once I get to know you. I get along well with other dogs and like playing with them. I am very affectionate with my humans after I've gotten to know them too. I'm not so keen on cats, though.



I get lonely easily so I'd really like a home where I'm not left alone all day. I'm housebroken and know how to use a doggie door. My last family couldn't keep me because they are losing their home. I am very

sweet and like going for walks.

I am up to date on my shots and in excellent health. I have been sad about losing my people, but my foster home has been giving me lots of love and treats and I like to play with all of my canine friends. I'm looking forward to finding my forever home with people to love!



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## Sweet guys ready for forever home

### Flarfy (#2751)

Hello! My name is Flarfy (I hope you like it). I am a 5 year old handsome tri-colored neutered male. I love to play outside, chew on real bones, bark at squirrels (etc). I also like those squeaky toys, and I howl a tune when you start it off. One thing I don't like is to be left alone in a home, but if I had a doggy friend to hang with, it would help me not feel lonely, I really need a playmate! If you let me go on your couch, I will LOVE YOU!

I like to pretend to be those smaller lap dogs and inch my way to your lap, so hopefully I am allowed to do so. I will come when you call my name like a good doggy IF I am not focused on something that entered my nasal passages... after all, I am a hound dog! I did grow up with a little child, but this human child didn't do crazy stuff to me like pulling my ears. As long as they can throw me a toy, ball, or something I like across the room,



I will most likely love 'em! Currently, I am at a foster home where I am loved well, where I get to play with other dogs, so I am pretty happy! But I will be very thankful to have a permanent home filled with love and attention along with canine friends to hang with as well.

### Willis (#2773)



Willis is the most loveable 3.5-year-old neutered male Basset Hound. He is well trained, housebroken and walks great on the leash. He's extremely well behaved and loves to hang out with his people. He even knows how to shake! Willis lived on a farm and definitely needs a yard

for his outside time as he loves to run, play and fetch. Like most Bassets, he likes to sleep curled up in a comfy crate or even in his parents' bed at night. Willis gets along great with people, but he is uncomfortable around young kids. He will thrive in an adult home or a home with older children. Willis is a bit of a dominant male but currently lives with a female Pointer who he loves to pal around with. Willis gets regular check-ups from the family vet and he's current on all his shots and even had his teeth cleaned recently. Willis has a completely clean bill of health and is young, active, and typical Basset Hound spunkster. Willis will melt your heart with his big brown eyes and clownish personality.

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## Adopt Me!

### Beacon (#2103)

Beacon is a 6 year old brown and tan male.

Beacon is a wonderful hound who loves to ride in the car, go for walks or just chill in the back yard. Beacon gets along with other dogs at the dog park but would prefer to be the only man in your life. He is up to date on his shots, potty trained and in good health. Beacon does not like to share his toys or treats with other dogs. He is a very sweet and loving dog, loves children and also likes to get all the attention you can give him. He also enjoys cats and wants to play with them. Beacon deserves to finally have his forever home. What are you waiting for? Fill out an Adoption Application and he can be your best buddy.



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## What a ham!



### Hammie (#2752)

Hammie is a 5 year old, neutered tri-color male. Hammie is a great dog with a protective personality, who takes a while to warm up to new people.

Hammie really isn't into children too much, and would do best in a home with a single person or a couple.

Yes, he is potty trained and up to date on his shots. Hammie grew up with two other bassets, and gets along with other dogs, but, he does like to chase cats and bark at them. Hammie is looking for his forever home, won't you please consider him?



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## Follow us on Facebook!

Join the Facebook family and keep up with the goings on at the Basset Hound Rescue! Just over one year on Facebook and we have over 1,260 "likes"! Help us keep the family growing and spread the word!

[www.facebook.com/pages/High-Country-Basset-Hound-Rescue](http://www.facebook.com/pages/High-Country-Basset-Hound-Rescue)



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## Pet Memorials Spring/Summer 2012



### Pet

Rowdy  
Scooters  
Lance  
Oliver  
George  
Fred  
Ruby  
Maggie  
Oscar

### Owner

Robert Nelson  
Dolly Nelson-Seaton  
Ann Hefner  
Steve & Krissy Caudle  
Linda & Butch Seitz  
Nancy Torres  
Cheryl & Kenneth Salisbury  
Lori & Randy Montoya  
Terri & Dennis Usher

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## Everyone can help:

Earn money for Basset Hound Rescue every time you do an internet search!

Save these links to your "Favorites" and use these them when shopping around online.

<http://www.goodsearch.com> or shop

<http://www.goodshop.com> .

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## Did you know?

In 2005, an English Basset Hound named Mr. Jeffries claimed the Guinness Book Record for having the longest ears. Mr. Jeffries' ears measured at a whopping 11.5 inches! His ears also carry their own insurance policy valued at \$47,800!



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## This & That

### Planning on Moving Soon?

Don't forget to notify Basset Hound Rescue if you are moving. By updating our database, we will always have your current phone number and address matched with your dog's BHR tag number so that no matter where you are located we can get in touch with you. Should your basset ever get loose there is security in knowing that when he/she is picked up, and one of our numbers called, we can contact you immediately. We have a great track record with this system – most are returned home within an hour! Also note that we will not be forwarding *The Long & Short of It* anymore. If you still want to get our newsletter after your move, let us know your new address and we'll be more than happy to update our system. You wouldn't want to miss an edition!

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### Ink Cartridges Wanted

Please save any used, old, or even new ink cartridges that are not wanted or needed anymore for the Rescue to recycle. This helps reduce the print cost of our wonderful newsletter. You can drop them off at any of our picnics at the merchandise table. If other arrangements are needed, please contact Donna @ 719.651.3866.

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### Famous Bassets in History

Did you know that Marilyn Monroe once owned a Basset named Hugo? She was married to Arthur Miller at the time.

Sheriff Roscoe P. Coltrane (The Dukes of Hazzard) had his famous Basset companion, Flash.

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### Material Donations

We always welcome donations of dog beds and food to supplement our foster homes and dog toys and bowls. Special items for our Silent Auctions are also welcome any time of the year.

To arrange for drop-off of any donations, contact your area coordinator or call 303.432.9347



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## Placement Coordinators

Foster homes are always needed; contact your Coordinator if you can help.

Karin	303.432.9347	Denver Front Range
Cindy	719.494.8377	CO Springs/Pueblo
Mary Lou	970.242.8311	Western Slope

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## I'm available!

### Bart (#2292)

Hi there, I'm Bart. I am a 5 year old, red and white, male. I am neutered and up to date on my shots and I am a bundle of love. I was adopted to a family that lost their home and had to come back to rescue to find a new forever home. I am healthy; I love to go for walks and play with my canine friends in my foster home, or just lay in the sunshine. I am potty trained and I do know how to use a doggy door. I know some



commands like "sit" and "stay". My foster mom says that I am a JOY to have around because I am so pleasing, and I learn really quickly. No cats for me please, I don't like them, and

they don't like me. I am good with older children, and love other dogs. Do you think you are the home I am looking for?

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## Bumper Stickers

### Show Your Basset Rescue Support!



Don't forget to get your Basset Rescue Bumper Stickers and show your support every day.

They can be found at any of the Basset Rescue picnics or feel free to give Donna a call and she can make arrangements to get one to you.

Just contact Donna Wensec at [dwensec@yahoo.com](mailto:dwensec@yahoo.com) or 719.651.3866.

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## Basset Play Groups

Want to have a play group at the local dog park? Here are some dog parks below, with a meeting time specified. If you would like to sponsor a play group with other bassets at a dog park, please post on our Facebook page, or send us an e-mail.

\*Meeting times are when previous groups met.

### DENVER:

#### *Denver Basset Playgroup*

**Where:** 4848 S. Windermere, Englewood, CO 80110

**When:** Saturday mornings, 9:30 a.m.

**Cost:** None

### COLORADO SPRINGS:

#### *Colorado Springs Basset Playgroup I*

**Where:** Palmer Park – 3650 Maizeland Road

**When:** Saturday mornings, 9:30 a.m.

**Cost:** None

Directions: on the corner of Academy Boulevard and Maizeland Road; the dog park is at the rear of Palmer Park, just follow the signs.

#### *Colorado Springs Basset Playgroup II*

**Where:** Rampart Dog Park behind Rampart High School  
(Off Lexington)

**When:** Saturday mornings, 9:30 a.m.

**Cost:** None

### FORT COLLINS:

#### *Fort Collins Basset Playgroup*

**Where:** Fort Collins Old City Dog park  
(Far west end of Horsetooth Road)

**When:** Saturday mornings, 9:30 a.m.

**Cost:** None



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## Looking for love? Look no further!

### Gracie (#2497)

My name is Gracie. I am a 5 year old female Basset Bleu de Gascogne; a special breed of basset; that's what gives me the beautiful grey coloring. I am spayed and up to date on shots. I love attention from my foster family and will just sit at their sides getting lots of loving. If you stop giving me attention I will gently put my paw on your chair or leg and let you know that you stopped. I get along fine with my foster bassets. They like to play a little more than I do, so when I am



done, I just go lie down in my crate. Which by the way, I am crate trained and completely house broken. I also really enjoy walks and exploring the backyard because I need some exercise

during the day. I have lots of love to give and would love a new forever home.

### Frasier (#2661)



Hi, my name is Frasier; I am a 3 year old neutered red and white male. I am up-to-date on shots, and I am a basset who is mixed with some herding dog. I get along with other dogs. I also like older children. My owner was injured and is unable to take me for walks, so I am looking for a new home where I can run and play.

### Keltie – Redbone Coonhound



My name is Keltie. I am a Red Coonhound. I love to talk, my foster mom has been working with me on when to talk and when not to, which I am picking up on very quickly. I like other dogs, although I prefer

that they not try to boss me around. I can sleep on a dog bed or a people bed; I really love to cuddle, with my head under a blanket. I am an expert at counter surfing; I have been trying to show the bassets in my foster home how it is done. I am very smart. I am fine with little kids; haven't met any cats.

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### Ernie (#2711)



I am Ernie. I am 7 years old, and have white whiskers on one side, and black on the other side. I wag my tail a lot, and if I am really excited, my tail goes in a circle. Once you get to know me, I will talk to you. I also like to bark, especially at the chickens on the other side of the fence. I am a tri-colored neutered male, and play with the other male and female dogs in

the house. I probably would do better with a female dog than another male dog in the house. I love being brushed and petted. I am house trained. I am fed at the same time as other dogs, but it is better not to feed me close to them, I may become more interested in their food than mine. I will share toys, and can sit. I will sit on your lap if you let me.

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### Moon Pie (#2765)

Hi, my name is Moon Pie. My foster parents call me that because they could eat me up! The vet thinks I am about 8 years old, but you could never tell once you meet me. Currently, I suffer from IVDD and can't move my back legs, but that doesn't slow me down! I love to scoot all over the house and try to play with the other furry friends here. But my foster parents won't let me play. They tell me I am on strict crate rest until my back starts feeling better. That's ok because I love my crate, and will nap there for hours. The nice people at HCBR are getting me a cart so I can run and play with my friends. I am also looking forward to therapy that can possibly lead to me not needing the cart in the future. Even though I cannot move my back legs, I am



potty trained. I would do best in a home that does not have stairs so I can get around without hurting my back more. I am a big love bug, and would like nothing better than to be petted and loved on all day. I love to go on car rides or to the pet store too. Everyone is so nice there! Plus I'm so special that my foster parents drive me around the store in a cart. I have never met a person or dog I didn't like. I

haven't been around any cats, so I'm not sure if I like them or not. I look forward to finding my forever home with a loving family.



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