



BTPRSM News, Events & Fundraisers

November 2013

Good Afternoon Everyone,

These last few weeks have been busy for BTPRSM. Let's start of the Newsletter with some Winter Care tips for your dog. The snow may not be here permanently yet, but let's get prepared for a safe and happy Winter Season.

Winter Care for Your Dog

by [Dr. Donna Spector](#)

Brrrr.....winter is here! Does your dog love the winter wonderland or would he rather cuddle up on the couch under a cozy blanket? Either way, you must be prepared to protect him when he ventures out into the elements.

- **Let's talk temperature!** If it is too cold for you to stand at the door without your coat, it is probably too cold for your dog to be out without a coat. Some dog breeds have dense undercoats that help protect them against very cold temperatures...but most dogs should have a coat to help them deal with Jack Frost. If getting your dog a coat makes you think about poodles in pink fur being toted around New York City, don't distress! Coats are not just about fashion; there are many functional, non-couture coats available! Coats will not prevent frostbite on the ears, feet or tail...so don't keep your dog out too long in freezing temperatures.
- **Provide extra bedding and warmth for your dog.** In addition to limiting your dog's time outdoors on cold days, you must also provide warm indoor shelter. Place your dog's bed in a warm spot; away from drafts, cold tile or uncarpeted floors.
- **Protect your dog from burns.** Dogs will often seek heat during the cold winter weather by snuggling too close to heating sources. Avoid space heaters and lamps and place baseboard radiator covers to avoid unnecessary burns. Fireplaces also pose a major threat and a pet-proof system should be used to keep your heat-seeking pal out of harms way!
- **Don't overfeed your dog during the winter.** Although dogs are in need of an extra layer during the winter season...make sure it comes from a coat, and not a fat layer. Unless your dog lives outdoors during the winter, he or she often needs no additional calories during the winter chill. Cold temperatures often bring on lazy behaviors and actually the need for FEWER calories. Be attentive to your dog's activity level and adjust his calories accordingly. Always feed your dog

the highest quality natural dog food available to insure a healthy coat and good energy for the cold winter months.

- **Keep your dog hydrated.** Dogs can dehydrate just as quickly in the winter as summer. Although many dogs eat snow, it is not an adequate substitute for fresh water. If your dog has a water bowl outdoors, check it often and break ice that may form on top.
- **Groom your dog.** Your dog needs a clean, well-groomed coat to keep him properly insulated. This is especially important if your dog lives outdoors. After bathing, dry your dog adequately, especially before allowing him outdoors.
- **Protect your dog's feet.** Dogs walk through snow, slush, salt and chemicals and are very likely to sustain an injury to their foot pads unless protected. Although doggie booties may sound a little corny, they can prevent painful injuries. The biggest problem with canine footwear is keeping them in place! Many booties are now available with Velcro but a child's mitten keeper also works to keep booties or socks on. If you don't want to invest in booties, place tube socks on each paw and connect the top of each sock with a mitten keeper over the dog's shoulder and hips. If booties absolutely don't work for your dog, clean your dog's feet every time he comes into the house. Use warm water and clean between the toes really well to remove debris and salt. Apply a small amount of a natural Herbal Healing Salve every day to keep the pads from cracking. Avoid using any chemical ice-melting compounds or rock salt on your sidewalks or driveways that your dog may contact.
- **Shovel and clear the snow!** Snow can be a lot of fun but also dangerous for your dog. Snow piled near fences pose escape hazards that even well trained dogs often can't resist. Keep snow cleared away from fences to prevent your dog from climbing over. Snow and ice often accumulate on rooftops and if the sun is out or as temperatures rise, this accumulation can fall and injure your dog. If you are unable to clear the snow from the roof, keep your dog away from the roof overhang to prevent injury.
- **Take precaution when playing.** Although your dog is likely to be having a great time outdoors, take frequent indoor breaks for water and warming up and don't ever stay out too long. If you are walking or playing in unfamiliar areas, keep your dog close. It is easy for them to venture onto unsafe ground....for example, some ponds and lakes are small and can be hidden by snow and ice and pose hazards to unsuspecting frolicking dogs.
- **Avoid toxin exposure.** With winter comes antifreeze from automobiles. Antifreeze is sweet in taste and dogs will readily lick or drink it. Antifreeze is extremely toxic and just a small amount can be fatal for dogs. Keep your dog out of the garage and off the driveway where they may encounter antifreeze or other harmful chemicals.

- ***Dogs should NEVER be left in cars unattended, no matter what the season.*** Freezing cold temperatures are the main concern during the winter. If the car is left running during the winter (especially in the garage), carbon monoxide poisoning is a real threat.
- ***Special medical needs.*** Cold weather will often aggravate existing medical conditions in dogs, particularly arthritis. It is very important to maintain an exercise regimen with your arthritic dog, but be mindful of slippery surfaces and make sure your dog has a warm soft resting area to recuperate after activity. Try the addition of a natural Hip & Joint supplement to lubricate the joints and ease the discomfort of arthritis. Just like people, dogs are more susceptible to other illnesses during the winter weather. Contact your veterinarian if you detect any unusual symptoms in your dog. Remember, never use over the counter medication without the advice of your veterinarian.

Paying special attention to your dog's well-being during the winter season will insure that you both enjoy the Winter Wonderland to its fullest. Happy Holidays!

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Past Event and Donation Updates

Huge **THANK YOU** to everyone to who attended our very first Fall Bingo Bowl (Pug Thugs vs. BT Bruisers). A fun time was had by all who attended! Even the staff at Windsor Lanes had a great time! We would also like to thank all the people who donated items for the Silent Auction, especially Birchwood Kia on Regent, and their general manager Joe Garcia for the donation of the pair of Jets Tickets. Together we raised just over \$1000.00 to put towards on our account at Southglen Veterinary Hospital.

Fundraisers & Events

1) Bark Box Fundraiser:

American Thanksgiving Special:

Thursday, November 28th to Monday, December 2nd (Thanksgiving to Cyber Monday)

Coupon codes will be good for \$10 off, instead of \$5 off! Double the discount for our fans, followers and friends!!!

In addition BARKBOX, will also be donating an extra \$500 to the organization with the most redemptions over this period.

Get \$5 off any BarkBox subscription and support our rescue! For every coupon used on www.BarkBox.com our rescue will get a \$15 donation from BarkBox. Be sure to use our special code BTPRBBX1

Help us meet our goal of 100 subscriptions and raise \$1,500!!

What is BarkBox? BarkBox is a New York City based dog-lovin' company that sends high quality dog products to your pup every month. Each box is full of 4-6 goodies like bones, bully sticks, toys, treats, gadgets, shampoos, hygiene products, and more.

If you need help on how to subscribe for Bark Box, let us know at btprmb@gmail.com

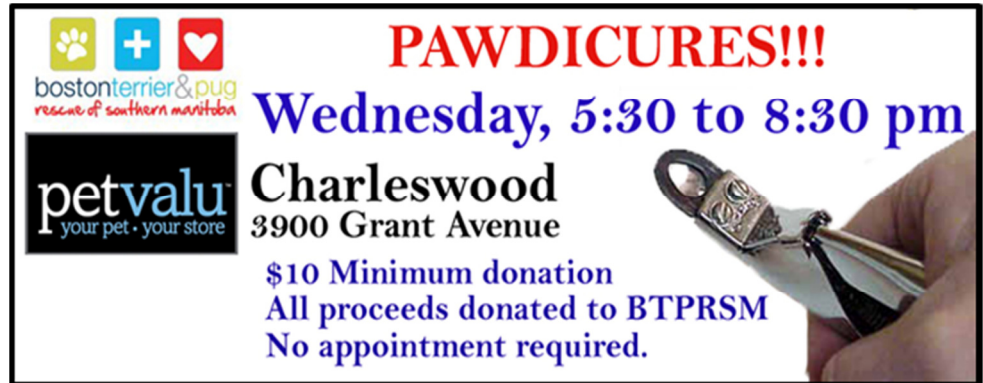


2) Charleswood Pet Valu Nail Trims:

Starting December 4th, Nail Trims will be happening every Wednesday between 5:30 - 8:30 pm. The staff at Charleswood Pet Valu will be doing nail trims in support of BTPRSM!!! Only \$10 per dog.

Upcoming Dates:

- December 4th
- December 11th
- December 18th

A promotional graphic for 'PAWDICURES!!!' at Charleswood Pet Valu. The graphic features the Boston Terrier & Pug Rescue of Southern Manitoba logo (a paw print, a plus sign, and a heart) and the Pet Valu logo ('your pet • your store'). The text reads: 'PAWDICURES!!! Wednesday, 5:30 to 8:30 pm Charleswood 3900 Grant Avenue \$10 Minimum donation All proceeds donated to BTPRSM No appointment required.' An image of a hand using nail clippers on a dog's paw is shown on the right side of the graphic.

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3) Moms Pantry Fundraiser:

Print off the Mom's Pantry order form attached in the email and feel free to send to your family and friends. Payments can be made by cash or cheque. If paying by cheque, please make cheque payable to BTPRSM.

Order forms can be dropped off at our playgroups or craft sales or you can mail them to us. Any questions, feel free to email us at btprmb@gmail.com and we will be happy to help you. Our mailing address is: BTPRSM ~ P.O. Box 51063 RPO Tyndall Park ~ Winnipeg, MB ~ R2C 3X6

Mom's Pantry also offers online ordering.

To order online please visit <http://momspantry.ca/> to sign up for an account, then click on Fundraising Orders link.

You will need these codes below to order.

Group Name: Boston Terrier Pug Rescue of Manitoba

Order Number: **110804**

Group Password: **22035**

ORDER DEADLINE: SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17th, 2013

4) Gift Card Fundraiser:

Print off the Gift Card Fundraising order form attached in the email and feel free to send to your family and friends.

Payments can be made by cash or cheque. If paying by cheque, please make the cheque payable to "BTPRSM".

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5) Epicure Selections ~ Extraordinary Cheese Dip Fundraiser:

You get three jars of dips (Lemon Dilly, Cheese, Chives and Bacon & Herb & Garlic), recipe booklet and a black Epicure Velcro bag for \$20.

Print off the Epicure Fundraiser order form attached in the email and feel free to send to your family and friends. Payments can be made by cash or cheque. If paying by cheque, please make the cheque payable to "BTPRSM".

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ORDER DEADLINE: SUNDAY, December 8th, 2013

6) Fundraising with Gourmet Kitchen:

Most of the products now are guaranteed nut free!

BTPRSM gets 40% profit from items on page one and \$9.50 per box on the Easy Meals and Bakery items (this is up from \$8.00 last time we placed an order).

Print off the Gourmet Kitchen Fundraiser order form attached in the email and feel free to send to your family and friends. Payments can be made by cash or cheque. If paying by cheque, please make the cheque payable to "BTPRSM".

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7) Peel ~ A ~ Deal:

BTPRSM is selling Papa Murphy's and Lovey's BBQ Peel ~ A ~ Deal Fundraising Cards. Only \$5 per card with over \$55 in savings on each card.

BTPRSM gets the whole \$5 for each card sold!!!

We will have them available at all of our events **OR** you can contact us at btprmb@gmail.com for pick-up or delivery.

These make great Stocking Stuffers if you know someone who LOVES these two restaurants!!!

8) BTPRSM Holiday Photos & Playgroup:

Join us on Sunday, November 17th for a playgroup and Holiday photos. The photos at this event will not have a Santa, but will have some Holiday Themes. Items like a red sled, large empty gift wrapped boxes for your dogs to pose in and more. The talented Coralee Penner, of Red Photo Co. <http://www.redphotoco.com> will be taking the photos.

Photos will be \$10 and they will be emailed to everyone for their convenience.

And of course the best reason to come - playtime and socialization for your furry friend! Playgroup fees are \$5/family. Dogs are FREE! :) All socialized dogs are welcome.

Proceeds from this event go towards the Boston Terrier and Pug Rescue of Southern Manitoba.

Please see the poster below and the link to the event on our Facebook page.

<https://www.facebook.com/events/551117551602348/>

The poster is for a "Holidays Photos & Playgroup" event. At the top left are three icons: a paw print, a plus sign, and a heart. Below them is the logo for "boston terrier & pug rescue of southern manitoba". To the right of the icons is the title "Holidays Photos & Playgroup" in large green letters. Below the title is the date and time "Sunday, November 17 ~ 1 to 3 pm" in red. On the left side, there is a small photo of a dog and the logo for "SPROCKETT'S DOGGY DAY CAMP". Below that is the address "Unit 7- 975 Thomas Ave". On the right side, there is a photo of a dog wearing a red bow. The text in the center reads: "Photos will be \$10 and will be emailed to everyone for their convenience." followed by "And of course the best reason to come... playtime & socialization for your furry friend! All socialized dogs are welcome. \$5 per family Dogs are free". At the bottom, it says "Proceeds from this event go towards the Boston Terrier and Pug Rescue of Southern Manitoba".

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9) BTPRSM Holiday Fun Dog Day and Photos with Santa:

Flying fur getting out of hand? Dog's nails getting too long? Need baking for the holidays? Looking for some cute Christmas photos of Fido? Look no further!!!

Join us on Sunday, December 1 from 11-4 pm for a Holiday Fun Dog Day at Vada's Club K9, 628 St. Anne's Road, in support of Boston Terrier & Pug Rescue of Southern Manitoba! The awesome staff at Vada's Club K9 will be performing the De-Shedding for only \$15 and "Pawdicures" for only \$10.

Pawdicures and de-shedding are walk-in appointments. Please check out Vada's Club K9 at www.vadasclubk9.ca

Santa Photos will be taken by the talented Coralee Penner of Red Photo Co.
<http://www.redphotoco.com> Photos are \$10 each. If you would like separate photos of each dog, each photo will be \$10.

To reserve your sitting for Santa photos please call Vada's @ (204) 221- 0998 . (We might have some walk in spaces for Santa photos). **Please Note:** you will get a digital file emailed to you, so you can print it yourself or get Christmas cards done. If you do not have email, an alternative will be provided. Appointments for the Photos will start at 11:30- 3:30pm.

We are also looking for donations to the bake sale and silent auction. If you are able to donate to our silent auction or bake sale (ingredients must be listed on baking) please let us know by emailing btprmb@gmail.com for drop off or pick up.
Huge THANK YOU to Larry Martin for being our Santa Claus.

All proceeds from this event, will be donated to Boston Terrier and Pug Rescue of Southern Manitoba!

Please see the poster below and the link to the event on our Facebook page.
<https://www.facebook.com/events/223947781115372/>

bostonterrier&pug
rescue of southern manitoba

**Holiday Fun Dog Day
& Photos with Santa**
Sunday, December 1
11:00am - 4:00pm

VADA'S
clubK9
EST. 2010 • PUG & BOSTON TERRIER RESCUE

628 St. Anne's Road

De-Shedding \$15
"Pawdicures" \$10
Photos \$10
Bake Sale
Silent Auction

Photos courtesy of red photo co.
documentary style photography

Pawdicures/deshedding (walk in) ~ Photos (by appointment)

Call Vada's @ (204) 221- 0998
for an appointment

10) BTPRSM Christmas Party & Playgroup:

Join us for our Annual Christmas Party on Sunday, December 8th from 1- 3pm.

We'll have snacks for everyone, some items from our craft sales table for your last minute shopping needs and maybe a little something from Santa Paws himself.

And of course the best reason to come - playtime and socialization for your furry friend! \$5.00/family and Dogs are FREE! All socialized dogs are welcome.

We will also be drawing the winner for the BTPRSM Quilt Raffle this day too!

Proceeds from this event go towards the Boston Terrier and Pug Rescue of Southern Manitoba. Please see the attached link to the event posted on our Facebook page.

<https://www.facebook.com/events/431289943650418/>

11) BTPRSM Quilt Raffle

BTPRSM is excited to bring you our next Fundraising Raffle!

One of our awesome supporters, Susan Rowe Dagg has donated a handmade quilt to the rescue for our Quilt Raffle Draw! The approximate value of this quilt is \$500.

Tickets are \$2.00 each or 3 for \$5.00

They can be purchased at any of our events, or by email.

We will be bringing the quilt with us to the various craft sales we will be at this fall.

Quilt Specifications:

-The quilt measures 60" X 67". (Couch Throw or Twin Size)

-It is 100% cotton with the exception of the batting which is cotton and bamboo.

-The back is 100% cotton flannel (so it's cuddly) and it is quilted with a dog bone motif :)

All monies raised from this Quilt Raffle will support the rescue directly.

Here is the Facebook link to the fundraiser online:

<https://www.facebook.com/events/209293095899220/>

Quilt Raffle

Crafted and donated by supporter Susan Rowe Dagg this handmade quilt has an approximate value of \$500



Draw Date: December 8, 2013

at Sprockett's Doggy Day Camp

Tickets \$2 each or 3 for \$5

Available at any of our events
or by email btprmb@gmail.com

All monies raised from this Quilt Raffle will support the rescue directly



12) Fort Whyte Alive - Adventure Travel Raffle 2013:

BTPRSM is selling tickets for the Fort Whyte Alive - Adventure Travel Raffle.

Tickets are 3 for \$10

BTPRSM received 50% profit of all the tickets we sell through our rescue.

Draw Date is Dec 18, 2013 @ 3 pm.

If you are interested in purchasing tickets, please email us btprmb@gmail.com or stop by one of our adoption events or playgroups.



13) Upcoming Craft Sales where you can find BTPRSM:

BTPRSM will be at the following craft sales this fall:

November 16th – Kinette Christmas Craft Sale

November 17th – Crescentwood Community Craft Sale

November 23rd – St. Francois Xavier Community Craft Sale

December 1st – Holiday Mall in the Hall – Craft Sale

December 7th – Miles Mac Craft Sale

Current Adoptables, Recent Adoptions & Updates:

Since our last Newsletter, we have had a few adoptions and a few dogs on Adoption Trials. Jolene has found a wonderful family to call her own. They could not be happier and she is truly a great addition to their family. Way to go Jolene!!!



Here is Jolene sitting with her new mom.

Benny also found his forever family. Ben's new mom first saw Ben, when one of our foster families showed them a photo of Benny in his jammies. It wasn't long after we got an email from the family applying to adopt him. Ben did great on his adoption trial and they made his adoption official a few weeks ago. Yay Benny!!



Benny with his brothers Toby and Sam (the black cat) Missing from Photo: Jumbo the other cat.

Dani went on adoption trial with a family who met her two times. Once at the Canvasback Adoption Event and the again at an adoption event at the Pet Valu in Charleswood. It was after the second event that Dani's new family completed an adoption application and sent it in. The rest is history and Dani has now found the perfect Forever Family. Congrats Dani!



Dani modeling her new "Spoiled Rotten" Hoodie.

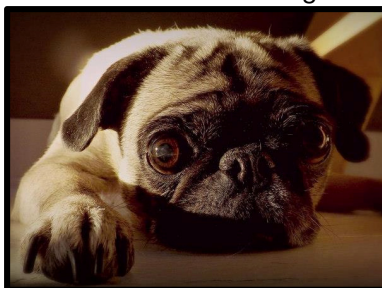
Johnny started his adoption trial on the Saturday of the Pet Valu Thanks for Giving Adoption Event. He was scared and timid at first, but after a month of being loved up and going on play dates with a fellow foster brother who was adopted by another family in the same town. Johnny has come through and has become the perfect little guy.



Johnny and his human brother going for a walk.

Cassie says "Don't ever give up hope".

Cassie had been in rescue for a year, waiting patiently for that right family to find her and see her for the wonderful dog and companion she is. When a nice young couple came to our adoption fair at Pet Valu to meet another dog, Cassie managed to win them over. Congratulations Cassie!



Cassie relaxing and letting all the other foster dogs know to "Not Give Up"!

Bowser the Pekingese/Pug X has found his perfect FOREVER HOME with his foster family. They were going to help Bowser come out of his fear issues and help him learn to trust again, but they quickly fell in love with him, and he is already doing so much better in his new home! We are so happy for Bowser and Fred and Carol!



Bowser had a fun time learning to socialize with other dogs and humans at the Howl-o-ween Party!

Here are two wonderful dogs looking for their Forever Families. Please feel free to share their stories with Family and Friends so we can find each of them a wonderful loving home for the Holidays.

Rain the Boston Terrier is all healed up from her surgeries and is now waiting to find her Forever Family. She has been working on her socialization with new dogs and new situations. Rain is also working on her housetraining and has almost mastered it. She will need a home that will be patient with her and help her learn what it's like to be a family pet and not to breed anymore. If you are interested in meeting Rain or know someone who is, please email us at btpmb@gmail.com



Rain is catching some Zzzz's in the early morning, while her foster mom gets ready for work.

Eddy the Pug is also still waiting for his forever family. Eddy came into the rescue with his sister Maggie and would really like to find his forever family too. Eddy has come a long way with his training since coming into our care. Both Eddy and Maggie went through some extensive vetting to get them healthy. Eddy is working on his housetraining, which when he came into the rescue, was not housetrained at all. ☺ Eddy has a few interesting quirks that make him unique, but if you already know what pugs are like, this may not surprise you. If you are interested in meeting Eddy or know someone who is, please email us at btpmb@gmail.com



Eddy has such a comical face. He makes you smile just looking at him.

Foster Homes

Foster Homes are the back bone to any rescue... We are always looking for foster homes and temporary foster homes for when dogs come into our care. The more available foster homes we have, the more dogs we can rescue. Please email us at btpmb@gmail.com so we can send you a foster application.

Other Outings

1) Boston Terrier & Pug Rescue Playgroup of Winnipeg:

Now that the cooler weather is here it won't be long before the dogs refuse to go outside for a walk. Our next indoor playgroup is on Sunday, November 17th. We will also be doing our Holiday photos this day too. If you have not signed up yet, use the link below.

<http://www.meetup.com/Boston-Terrier-Pug-Rescue-Playgroup-of-Winnipeg/>

Well that's all the news we have for you now. Check out our Facebook page and our Website for updates on the dogs needing surgeries and for new fundraisers.

If you have any questions or comments, please feel free to email us at btpmb@gmail.com and we will get back to you as soon as possible.

See you all soon,

Jessica, Rena, Shaila
Executive Committee
Boston Terrier & Pug Rescue of Southern Manitoba