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## Pit Bulls on Parade

*BullsEye Dog Rescue hosts Pit Bull celebration complete with dog sport demonstrations, adoptable Pit Bull parade and Canine Good Citizen testing*

**SEATTLE, August 18, 2009** – BullsEye Dog Rescue, a Pacific Northwest Pit Bull rescue group, invites Puget Sound area residents to attend "Pit Bulls on Parade," BullsEye's first ever public event and fundraiser on Saturday, August 29 at Reber Ranch in Kent, Wash.

Pit Bulls on Parade commemorates BullsEye's five-year anniversary and will include demonstrations and a chance to try out sports such as weight pull, agility, and disc dog. In addition, the event will include a raffle, demonstrations in positive obedience methods, schutzhund, a parade of adoptable Pit Bulls from around the Puget Sound, and will host a fun "conformation" competition with categories such as best funny ears, best color and best costume.

"This is a great chance for responsible Pit Bull owners to come show off their amazing dogs and for the community to see what a real Pit Bulls is," said Lorrie Kalmbach-Ehlers, president and co-founder of BullsEye Dog Rescue. "BullsEye was founded with the purpose of restoring the image of the Pit Bull, and this is an excellent opportunity for the public to see they're not the monsters that exist in rampant myths, and to experience the goofiness and incredible athleticism that encompasses the true spirit of the breed."

In addition to demonstrations and competitions, dogs who attend the event will have the opportunity to take the Canine Good Citizen test. Canine Good Citizen (CGC) is a nationally-recognized certification program that rewards dogs who have good manners in the home and in the community. For every Pit Bull or Pit Bull mix that earns his or her CGC, BullsEye will earn \$150 through a grant from Animal Farm Foundation. Testing is free for Pit Bulls and Pit Bull mixes, and \$10 for other breeds. For more information on the Canine Good Citizen, including testing requirements, please visit [www.akc.org/events/cgc](http://www.akc.org/events/cgc).

### Details at a glance:

**What:** Pit Bulls on Parade

**Where:** Reber Ranch, 28606 132<sup>nd</sup> Ave SE, Kent, Wash.

**When:** 10 a.m. – 3 p.m., Saturday, August 29, 2009

**Who:** Hosted by BullsEye Dog Rescue; open to the public, including leashed well-behaved dogs of all breeds

**Cost:** FREE to the public, rescues and vendors (optional paid sponsorships available)

For more about Pit Bulls on Parade, including sponsor and vendor information, please visit [www.bullseyerescue.org/pitbullparade.htm](http://www.bullseyerescue.org/pitbullparade.htm) or email event coordinator Jennifer Andersen at [jen@bullseyerescue.org](mailto:jen@bullseyerescue.org).

### About BullsEye Dog Rescue

BullsEye Dog Rescue's core value is to provide education about Pit Bulls to the public, current Pit Bull owners and other rescue organizations and shelters throughout the Puget Sound region. The organization's board members have more than 30 years of combined experience with Pit Bulls and animal rescue. BullsEye is not a shelter, and consists of a network of foster homes and volunteers working with Pit Bull friendly, Puget Sound region shelters to give a handful of Pit Bulls a second chance. BullsEye Dog Rescue is a registered charity in Washington state and a Federal non-profit 501(c)(3) organization. For more information, visit [www.bullseyerescue.org](http://www.bullseyerescue.org).

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