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I am employed by Sacramento State University Police as a 911 Dispatcher. I have been a lifelong lover of all things dog related. I was very involved in 4-H as a teenager and did obedience training with my first dog, a Samoyed. I have owned many dogs since then. My husband Keith and I decided we wanted to find a pointing dog but wanted one with a soft temperament that would complement our other dog, Amos, who is a “slightly” wild and crazy black Labrador! It was a fateful day on vacation in Monterey, CA when I came across a couple walking 2 Bracco’s! That encounter changed my life! A few weeks later I was in Colorado picking up our new bracco puppy, Isabella (Izzy). Izzy is from Dan Koon & Lane Conrad’s 2004 litter. In August 2008 we added a yellow Labrador puppy, Otis to our home. My husband, Keith is a lifelong hunter so we spend most weekends in the field with our dogs. This allows our dogs the opportunity to work their natural instincts and gives me the opportunity to practice my photography hobby.

I hope, in my role as Secretary, to expand communication to all bracco owners. I would like to promote the bracco club to new owners so we can share information, thoughts and ideas with each other. I will also continue to reach out to other bracco owners regionally so we can continue getting together in the field and share our love of this very special breed. This is a great way for bracco owners who do not hunt to get their dogs in the field to do what they do ~ hunt! It is my hope that the breed will continue to be carefully bred to preserve the natural hunting instinct that is so hard wired in this breed.