



Mountain Dog MESSENGER

— NEWSLETTER OF THE BERNESE MOUNTAIN DOG CLUB OF THE ROCKIES —

Next BMDCR Meeting At the Awards Banquet (see page 2)

Hi Pam and Lou,

I want to thank you so very much for bring The Bernese Mountain Dog Club of the Rockies out to Aspen Grove on Sunday, December 13th. I was unable to attend but my husband and our Bernese Mountain Dog came to see your group and to show their support. He told me your group did a fantastic job. I have also heard great feedback from our retailers. I am so happy we were able to partner up to help raise awareness for your group and for the breed. Please let me know if you have any questions. I look forward to working with you again in the near future.

Sincerely,

Kim (Calder) Cronin
Marketing Director
Developers Diversified Realty
Aspen Grove and Tamarac
Square

Berner Noel

The BMDCR decked the halls with bones and holly at Aspen Grove shopping area on December 13th. Organized by Lou Tucker, holiday enthusiasts gathered to troll the outdoor mall singing traditional and "doggie adapted" Christmas carols. We were quite the attraction with decorated carts and dogs, dog biscuits and candy canes to give out and our own guitarists, Rob Tucker and son-in-law Patrick. Needless to say, there were lots of pets and compliments about our dogs. Following our caroling we convened at Lou and Bob Tuckers for great food, friendship and of course, more attention for our dogs and a doggie gift exchange. It was a joyous Noel. . .many thanks to hosts Lou and Bob Tucker and Rob and Patrick. Alice Gordon capitalized on the good cheer and collected \$140 for BernerGarde. We only hope we did not leave too much "yellow snow"!



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Meetings

Unless members are otherwise notified, meetings are held on the fourth Sunday of January, March, May, July, September & November. Board Meetings start at 12 Noon & the General Meetings start at 1 PM.

BMDCR AWARDS BANQUET

SUNDAY, JAN. 24, 2010

11:00 AM - 3:00 PM

MARIE CALLENDER'S RESTAURANT & BAKERY

51 W. Dry Creek Court Littleton, CO
(Broadway & Dry Creek)

SUNDAY BRUNCH BUFFET

RSVP to Lou Tucker, 303-791-4425
COST: \$22.00 adults, \$7.50 children
Deadline, Jan. 16, 2010

Send Award Certificate Information to Alice Gordon -
aliceann8@hotmail.com

Send Photo's for power point presentation to Jeanne
Stanwood - stanwood@earthlink.com

Send your nomination for the Kathy Roth Award to
Dottie Schulte - DottieS.911@aol.com

Make Banquet checks to BMDCR -

Mail to Lou Tucker
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Littleton. CO 80125

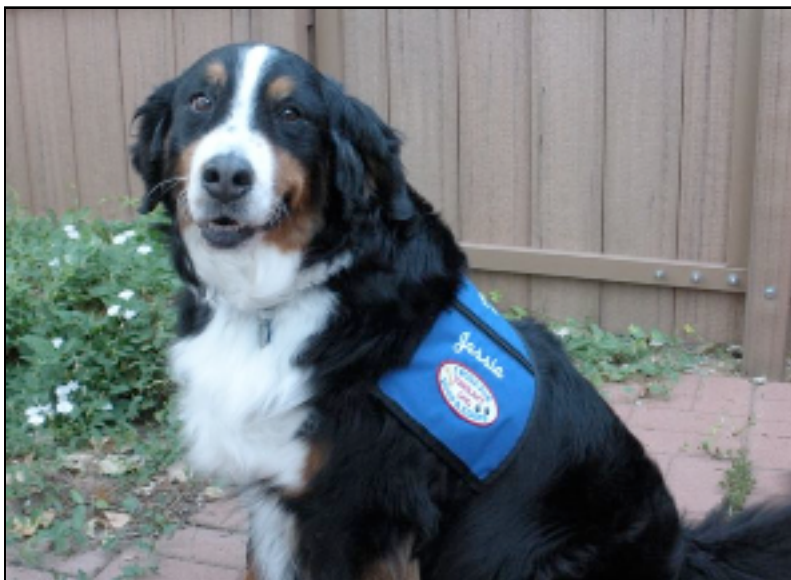
In Memoriam

*Rescue Me Baby, R.N., URCO1,
CGC, Delta Society Therapy Dog -
Jessie*

December 1, 2001 - October 31, 2009
BG# 45042, tumor on spleen, suspected
hemangiosarcoma.

My first Berner... You brought joy and
laughter into my life and introduced me to a
whole new world of dog related activities. I'm
so grateful that we got to spend the past 2.5
years together. Goodbye my sweet BARC girl.

Patty Wellinger



BMDCA National Specialty Chairperson Job Descriptions

Several members at the last meeting expressed an interest in helping with the 2013 national specialty which is to be held somewhere in Colorado. I am attaching the "job descriptions" for the chairpeople. Look them over to see what you might be interested in—if you do not feel up for being a committee chair, committee members are also needed. You can get back with me about your interest.

Dottie

Show Chairperson: responsible for overall planning, execution and reporting of results of the specialty. Acts as Conformation Chairperson unless delegated to assistant chairperson. Oversees the various show committee chairs and ensures all planning details are completed by deadlines. Requires effective leadership, communication, organization and planning skills. Ideally selected by peers and must be approved by the BMDCA board. 3-4 year assignment with responsibilities all along for site selection, submitting bids to BMDCA, recruiting for key positions, submission of AKC applications, oversee judges selection, finalize show plans, follow up after specialty.

Assistant Show Chairperson(s): assists Show Chairperson with above. Designated as Emergency Response Coordinator for the event. May directly oversee various committee chairs and members. Must be BMDCA member with complimentary skills as noted above. 3-4 year assignment with responsibilities as above.

Hotel Liaison: maintains all communication between the host hotel and the BMDCA after the contract has been negotiated. Coordinates and oversees hotel registration process and wait list procedures. Ensures adequate meeting space is blocked and banquet event orders are filed for all meetings and events during the week of the specialty. At least two year

assignment with busy period beginning about 18 months prior to the specialty. Very busy during the specialty.

Registration chair : designs and implements efficient registration procedures for the Non-Dog show activities at the specialty. Provides timely and accurate registration information to committee chairs. Develops and maintains registration database. Must be detail oriented, familiar with Access or other dbase program recommended but not required. At least one year assignment with busy periods beginning 9 months prior to specialty, intense workload 3 months prior to specialty. Must be on-site during the week of the specialty to oversee staffing of registration area.

Local treasurer: job role being revised as there is a standing position for national specialty treasurer.

Publicity chair: responsible for overall design, development and coordination of all publicity and advertising to promote the specialty. This includes Alpenhorn ads, catalog ad to be ready at preceding specialty, getting information and design to webmaster. 1 ? year assignment with busy time prior to preceding specialty and then every month for the six months prior to the specialty.

Planning Booklet chair: overall design, development, printing and mailing the Planning Book. Must have good

computer skills, knowledge of desktop publishing a plus but not required. 6-9 month assignment with busy period from September-December prior to the specialty.

Website: collaborates with the BMDCA Specialty Website Designer to develop website for this particular specialty. Acts as liaison between committee chairs and specialty webmaster. Obtains content and images from committee chairs, proofs and assures adherence to BMDCA policies. Maintains specialty website features (calendar, shopping cart etc). Must have PC skill (no Macs please). At least one year assignment with busy periods around time of site development and 6 months prior to specialty.

Conformation chair: overall planning, presentation and reporting the results of conformation events. Ensures details of event comply with AKC Rules. Must be BMDCA member with experience in planning, stewarding or exhibiting. At least a three year assignment with busy periods at beginning for site selection and event dates, a year along for finalizing hospitality, trophies and ring favors and then just prior to specialty before entries close. Some follow up responsibilities as well.

Obedience chair: overall planning and execution of obedience trial. At least two year assignment with busy periods at the beginning for selecting site, event dates and judges, at about

a year along to finalize hospitality, trophies and ring favors. Must be present at the specialty. Must be BMDCA member.

Rally chair: same as obedience but for Rally.

Draft chair: same as obedience but for Draft test(s)

Draft test secretary: handles all entries and paperwork associated with the event. May not enter. Previous experience as draft test secretary or chair recommended. At least one year assignment with busy times about six months prior to event to file application then about 3 months prior to event to compile premium list, accept entries etc. Does require follow up paperwork after test is completed.

Agility Trial Chair: same a obedience but for agility. Must select and contract with professional agility trial secretary.

Tracking chair: same as obedience but for tracking.

Herding chair: same as obedience but for herding.

Catalog advertising: solicits catalog advertising and collects fees. Coordinates and assembles all advertising pages and submits to Superintendent. One year assignment with busy times at beginning to set budget and prices and then two months prior to specialty. Graphic design skills helpful.

Catalog sales: oversees the on-site sale and distribution of official show catalog. Coordinates "marked" catalogs and their distribution. Short assignment with moderate level of activity at the specialty and then for two weeks after the specialty.

Grounds: assist with the development

of the overall site layout and grounds budget, gets supplies, signage, rental equipment and manages site set up. May help with site selection and coordinate security and emergency medical staff. Usually supervises and/or works closely with committee chairs for grooming, RV parking, events parking and vendors. 2-3 year commitment with busy times about nine months prior to specialty.

Grooming: all aspects of dog wash and grooming/crating areas. Devises overall layout and budget, coordinates rental equipment and oversees grooming registration and assigning spaces. One year assignment with busy time about 3-9 months prior to specialty to finalize equipment then 2-4 months prior to specialty to oversee registration and assign spaces. Must be present on day prior to set up and then on set up day and through out specialty week to troubleshoot problems.

RV parking: identifies on and off site RV parking options and communication of information to specialty attendees. May oversee RV reservations, plan lot layout. Oversees RV parking area week of specialty. One year commitment with busy periods initially to prepare reservation forms and about one month from specialty to finalize layout and confirm reservations. Oversees clean up after specialty has ended.

Transportation and Event Parking: identifies airports, airlines and ground transportation for the show site, develops driving directions and local area map and communicate to attendees. Oversees management of event parking at the show site. At least a six month assignment with busy time initially to determine transportation for planning booklet and website then about one month out as well as during the week of the specialty.

Judges hospitality: coordinates all details to provide for the needs of the judges during the week of the specialty, including transport to site, lodging, daily lunches for the judges and ring stewards, daily ring hospitality, welcome and thank you gifts and expense reimbursement. At least one year assignment with busy times one year out to make initial contact, coordinate lodging and develop budget then one month out to finalize arrangements, purchase gifts. Heavy activity during the week of the specialty. Unable to enter any titling events due to direct contact with the judges.

Trophies: oversees all aspects of trophy committee including budget and purchase of awards, rosettes, ribbons, ring favors as well as soliciting and collecting trophy donations. Also labels and displays trophies during the week of the specialty. At least two year assignment with busy time initially for trophy selection and budget development and at least a year out to solicit donations. Also busy one month prior to event to label trophies. High volume of activity 1-2 weeks prior to specialty and during specialty.

Vendors: responsible for all aspects of the vendor area, devising layout and budget, determining who to invite, finalizing application and prepare content for planning booklet, collects fees, sends confirmations and assigns spaces. At least one year assignment with busy period initially to prepare vendor layout, determine budget and application then at about six months prior to event to send out invitations, collect fees etc. Very busy 30-60 days prior to event to assign space. Also busy on set up day and there is light activity throughout the specialty week.

Banquets: plans all aspects of the

banquet functions held at the specialty (Judges dinner with is required, welcome reception and banquet in conjunction with Awards and Annual Meeting). At least one year assignment with busy time initially to identify menu options, table favors and decoration and at two months prior to event to finalize counts, order favors. Moderate activity on the days of the banquets for set up.

Educational programs: responsible for all aspects of the educational programs including identify format and schedule, select and contract with speakers, oversee registration and manage program operations on site. ONE EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM IS REQUIRED. At least one year time commitment with busy time initially to identify and contract with speaker(s) and at about 9 months out to finalize curriculum and at 2-4 months out to collect fees and finalize schedule. Moderate activity the day of the program.

Fundraising: solicits corporate sponsors and coordinates various committee efforts to obtain donations from berner-related businesses and regional clubs. Works closely with Raffle and Welcome Bag chairs. At least one year time commitment with busy periods initially to develop corporate sponsor program and refine solicitation letters. Higher level of activity 4-6 months prior to event to secure raffle and welcome bag donations.

Health Clinics: responsible for overall planning, execution and reporting of results of the Health Clinics. Recruits and oversees volunteers. At least one year assignment with busy time initially to select location, determine what tests will be offered and recruit specialists. Must get information to planning book chair and to website chair for posting. Must be present at specialty to help with coordination.

Hospitality: responsible for all aspects of the hospitality suite at the specialty. One year assignment with busy time initially to find suitable location, develop sponsorship program and submit solicitation letters to regional clubs and corporate sponsors. Also high level of activity during the week of the specialty.

Parades: responsible for all aspects of the parades to include identifying time and location, identifying favors, soliciting and collecting entries and fees and arranging parade program. At least one year assignment with moderately busy times throughout year to identify scheduling options and favors then 2-4 months prior to event to collect entries and fees. Moderate activity on the days of the parades.

Photo contest: responsible for all aspects of the photo contest to include identifying location, determine rules and procedures, solicit and collect entries and fees, arrange for judging and set up and tear down of display. At least one year assignment with busy periods initially to determine contest categories, rules and procedures and submit to planning book. Then at 2-4 months to collect fees and entries and finalize displays. High activity for set up and tear down day then intermittent activity during the event to manage on-site ballots. Also activity after specialty to return unclaimed photos.

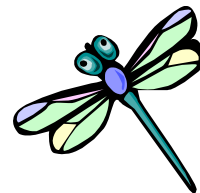
Raffle: overall planning, execution and reporting of Raffle results. One year assignment with busy periods initially to solicit donations and select location. 2-4 months prior to specialty to collect donations, label etc. Then high activity for set up day then intermittently throughout the week to manage day to day raffle operations.

Newsletter editor: write, produce and distribute daily newsletter. May

also offer e-mail subscription and/or CDs featuring newsltrs and photos from the specialty. Must have PC skills. Desk top publishing skills a plus. One year assignment with busy time initially to identify sources to produce newsltr. Very high/intense level of activity during the week of the specialty.

Ways and Means: oversees selection, ordering, selling and distribution of all Specialty merchandise (logo items). Two year assignment with moderately busy time initially to identify potential products and find suppliers and from two months prior to the preceding specialty to purchase items to sell at preceding specialty. Also moderately busy the year prior to the specialty selling items through website.

Welcome Bags: identify and order welcome bags for registrants, solicits donations and is responsible to get volunteers to stuff bags just prior to the start of the event. At least one year assignment with busy time initially to identify sponsors/donors then about 5-6 months prior to event to procure items. High activity day prior to day one of show to stuff bags and prepare for registrants.



SHOW NEWS By: Lou Tucker

***Southern Colorado Kennel Club* 11/07/09**

WD-Kinvarra's DanceMaster
Owners-Pat Hughes & Neil Hughes
RWD-Brisago A Bright Night at Wagontale
Owners-Stacy Temples & Howard Ramsdell
WB/BW-Wagontale's Simply Irresistible
Owners-Stacy Temples & Howard Ramsdell
RWB-Davieau's Black Forest Star
Owner-Patti Davieau
BB/G3 CH Nashems He's the Man of Woodmoor CD
Owners- Sara & Randy Karl & Dottie Schulte

Obedience Novice A

Dashing To The Rescue owners Alice Gordon and Steven Clark
1st Leg CD score 182 Third Place

Rally Novice A

CH Wagontale's Princess Alexandria owners Candy and Jerry McDanal and Stacy Temples
2nd Leg RN score 81

Rally Novice B

Brighteye Gran Moccasins T'Fil owners Elaine Witulski
3rd Leg RN score 94

NEW RALLY NOVICE TITLE

Rally Excellent B

CH Wagontale's Sing Me A Miracle owners Barry and Pam Solomon and Stacy Temples
2nd Leg RE score 92

***Southern Colorado Kennel Club* 11/08/09**

WD-Kinvarra's DanceMaster Owners-Pat Hughes & Neil Hughes
RWD-Prairefire's Wild West Show From Sundance
Owners – Michele Connolly & Sharon Johnson
RWB-Mountaineer's Journey Home – Owner - Darcy Babb
BB- CH Nashem's He's the Man of Woodmoor CD
Owners-Sara & Randy Karl & Dottie Schulte

Rally Novice A

CH Wagontale's Princess Alexandria owners Candy and Jerry McDanal and Stacy Temples
3rd Leg RN score 77

NEW RALLY NOVICE TITLE

Rally Excellent B

CH Wagontale's Sing Me A Miracle owners Barry and Pam Solomon and Stacy Temples
3rd Leg RE score 92

NEW RALLY EXCELLENT TITLE

AKC/Eukanuba National Championship

Long Beach, CA 12/13/09

Award of Excellence – CH Nashem's He's the Man Of Woodmoor CD
Owners – Sara & Randy Karl & Dottie Schulte & Carol Arbuthnot

Skokie Valley Kennel Club Chicago IL 12/19/09

BB- CH Nashem's He's the Man of Woodmoor CD
Owners-Sara & Randy Karl & Dottie Schulte and Carol Arbuthnot

Skokie Valley Kennel Club Chicago IL 12/20/09

BB- CH Nashem's He's the Man of Woodmoor CD
Owners-Sara & Randy Karl & Dottie Schulte and Carol Arbuthnot



Adventures with Clyde

I wasn't ready for another dog. The loss of my Golden/Lab, Duchess was so difficult particularly since several of her brothers had passed and her Mother, Goldie was still alive. In her and her littermates honor, the other dog guardians and I decided to construct a garden at the Summit County Animal Shelter. The day I was at the Shelter to discuss the garden arrangements, this very large dog bounded by wagging his tail. It was the large bushy tail going by that caught my attention. It was the tail of an 8 year old in tact male Bernese Mountain Dog. He had been surrendered the week before. For the first time in several months I smiled.

Clyde could not be adopted yet. State law dictates that all animals being adopted must be neutered or spayed. I could not even visit with him until he was neutered. So a week later after he was neutered I went back to the Shelter to meet Clyde face to face. While standing in the yard with Clyde, he lifted his leg and blood came out. When he was done I looked at his rear only to see that his scrotum was the size of a softball. This explained why Clyde was not sitting down. I alerted the Shelter staff to his condition.

That afternoon Clyde was started on a regiment of antibiotics but it was clear his condition was more than just an infection. I spoke to a close friend who is a veterinarian and she said "Get him to an emergency room STAT!" I called the Shelter to express my concern. Their veterinarian assured the Shelter staff he did not need to be seen and could wait until Monday. Poor Clyde. It was at that moment that my husband, Jack and I

decided we would put in adoption papers even though I was still not sure that I was ready for another dog. That evening a Shelter employee called me and urged me to adopt Clyde.

On Monday Clyde had a scrotal ablation because he had a hematoma on his scrotum. I submitted a request to adopt him that day as well. A few days later the Shelter called and awarded Clyde to us. I was in shock and still thinking I was not ready. Jack, Goldie and Clyde were. Since Duchess had passed my home was very sad. Between Jack and Goldie moping, a grey cloud hung over the doorway.

Clyde has been with us for almost two months. The grey cloud is gone. He is a joy, quite the entertainer, all male and a classic Berner. We have learned to leave nothing on the kitchen counter or on top of the refrigerator. He is food activated and all cabinets have baby locks. Clyde likes to sleep in. He literally tells us what is on his mind. We have taken him cross country skiing, hiking, to BMD club meetings and he has

marched in Vail's Bernese Mountain Dog parade. Goldie has a bounce in her step again and runs when we are on hikes, which is quite something to see, as she is 15 years old. Every night Goldie grooms Clyde before they settle in. Folks in Breckenridge request his presence at different functions. His dance card is full at least a week in advance for play dates. Clyde does not like getting in the car. Going anywhere with him is a production.

Last week we found the life jacket Duchess won at Vail's Teva Mountain Games for dog agility. The jacket was too big for her. At that time we put it in the closet and forgot about it. In the summer as a family we sail and canoe every weekend. Consequently on the first day we brought Clyde home we took him shopping for a life jacket. Not a single jacket fit Clyde. The jacket that Duchess won fit Clyde perfectly. It was as though she was saying it was ok and that Clyde was the right fit for our family. Next summer will be a challenge though because Clyde does not like getting wet. So as we embark on this marvelous journey each day is a different Adventure with Clyde.

BMDCR Membership Column: January/February 2010 - Stacy Temples -

Happy New Year to Everyone!
Welcome to our new Sustaining member:
Margaret A. Wild DVM
803 Gilgalad Way
Fort Collins, CO 80526
(970) 221-0888
E: Margaret.wild@comcast.net.

Our newest approved Voting Member was a sustaining member before:
Candy McDanal
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Conifer, CO, 80433
(303)838-4098
E: mcdanaljc@msn.com



2010 Draft Test at Chatfield

▪ Bernese Mountain Dog Club of the Rockies ▪

Spring Draft Test

Saturday, April 17, 2010

Chatfield State Park, Littleton, Colorado

Judges: Eden Jonas & Sue Sanvido

Entries close Wednesday, April 7 at 6 PM

Draft Chair- **Lou Tucker** - bltdog@msn.com

Draft Secretary - **Nadja Torling** - henry.dog@comcast.net

Assistant Draft Chair - **Pam Solomon** - avalonpam@yahoo.com



BMDCR 2009 Titles

Congratulations to all dogs and their humans who earned titles in 2009. You are all a testament to the dedication and love that we all have for our dogs.

Rescue Me Baby RN "Jessie" owned by Patty Wellinger

7/09 UKC Rally Novice

3/09 Delta Society Therapy Dog

Brighteye Angel Fire RN "Angie" owned by Stephanie Biksacky

9/09 Companion Dog Excellent

10/09 BMDCA Draft Dog

Brighteye Wilani Sweetest Tabu "Zeta" owned by Stephanie Biksacky

6/09 Rally Novice

Wagontale's Kween of Hearts "Ruby" owned by Vicki Chesser

6/09 Rally Novice

10/09 BMDCA Novice Draft Dog

Wagontale's Oberland Bergsteiger CD, DD "Steiger" owned by Ron Abbott

9/09 GSMDCA Working Pack Dog (WPD)

CH Wagontale's Lady of the Lake CD, DD, BDD "Legend" owned by Pam and Barry Solomon and Stacy Temples

9/09 Rally Advanced Excellent (RAE)

Wagontale's Sing Me A Miracle CD, RN "Smokey" owned by Pam and Barry Solomon and Stacy Temples

4/09 Champion

4/09 Novice Draft Dog

8/09 Rally Advanced

11/09 Rally Excellent

NEW BMDCA VERSATILITY DOG

Wagontale's Princess Alexandria "Lexi" owned by Candy and Jerry McDanal and Stacy Temples

5/09 Champion

11/09 Rally Novice

Spring's Woodland Moose "Moose" CD, RN owned by Nancy Fuselier

5/09 Champion

11/09 Novice Draft Dog

NEW BMDCA VERSATILITY DOG

Kennedy's Murren "Murray" owned by Lori and Don Kennedy

7/09 Canine Good Citizen

Ashflat Princess Graci "Graci" owned by Lori and Don Kennedy
4/09 Canine Good Citizen

Digby's Keep on the Sunnyside "Sadie" owned by Kristen Price
1/09 Rally Novice
8/09 Rally Advanced
11/09 Rally Excellent

CH Nashem's He's the Man of Woodmoor "Angus" owned by Sara and Randy Karl
4/09 Novice Draft Dog
11/09 Companion Dog
NEW BMDCA VERSATILITY DOG

CH Nashems Dreamboat of Sapphire CD "Annie" owned by Sara and Randy Karl
5/09 Novice Draft Dog
NEW BMDCA VERSATILITY DOG

Brighteye R'Questa Win NA, NAP, NAJ, NJP, NDD "Questa" owned by Elaine Witulski
10/09 Novice Brace Draft Dog
9/09 Rally Novice

Brighteye Gran Moccasins T'Fil NDD "Moxie" owned by Elaine Witulski
11/09 Rally Novice

Blumoon's Jade to Order "Jordy" owned by Meris Lerner and Christine Mann
9/09 Champion

Alderfer Breda Rosalie "Rosie" owned by Cathy Davis
1/09 Companion Dog
5/09 Rally Novice

Wagontale's Radeant Camber "Camber" owned by Alice Gordon, Stacy Temples and Steven Clark
2/09 Rally Advanced

Dashing to the Rescue "Dash" owned by Alice Gordon and Steven Clark
7/09 Canine Good Citizen
9/09 Rally Novice

Nashems Love the One Your With "Crosby" owned by Dottie Schulte and Sara Karl
8/09 Rally Novice

Wagontale's Ultimate Catch "Fisher" owned by Nadja Torling, Ryan Johnson and Stacy Temples
7/09 Canine Good Citizen
9/09 Rally Novice

Wagontale Henry's Happy Hour CGC, CD, RE, OAP, NJP, DD "Henry" Owned by Nadja Torling and Ryan Johnson
01/09 Open Agility Preferred
8/09 Lorien Dell's Charmed "Piper" owned by Pat Medvick and Lynn Wood
8/09 Champion

Milagro's Light of Stars v Joyful Summit "Luna" owned by Ann and Bill Daily, Sandy Dunaway and Sharon Keefer
4/09 Champion

CH Alderfer Baran Am Davieau "Baran" owned by Patti Davieau and Cathy Davis
2/09 Rally Novice

Oberland's Oh Bailey "Bailey" owned by Cindi Falcone
10/09 Champion

Wagontale's True Delight RN "Truly" Owned by Thia Cochran & Stacy Temples
09/09 Rally Novice

Wagontale's Looking Up CGC, RN, NAP, NJP "Sky" Owned by Robin Windlinger & Stacy Temples
3/09 Open Jumpers with Weaves Preferred

Sandpiper's About Turn Wagontale CD, RE "Kylie" Owned by Robin Windlinger & Kathy Gray
02/09 Novice Jumpers with Weaves
04/09 HCTs - AHBA Herding Capability Tested sheep
06/09 Novice Agility

Sandpiper At The Beach Wagontale "Lily" Sandpiper At The Beach Wagontale
03/09 HCTs - AHBA Herding Capability Tested sheep

Wagontale's Southern Belle "Scarlett" Owned by Cathy Gushulak & Stacy Temples
08/09 Novice Jumpers with Weaves Preferred

Ch Wagontale's Mirabelle "Mirabelle" owned by Stacy Temples and Howard Ramsdell
10/09 Novice Draft Dog
2009 Top Producer of Working Dogs

Ch. Wagontale's Incoming Tide CGC,JHD,NDD,BNDD "Ti" Owned by Todd and Jennifer Zaayer
04/09 Herding Ranch Dog I (HRD I)

Wagontale's Nordic Legend CGC,BNDD,DD "Donner" Owned by Todd and Jennifer Zaayer
04/09 Herding Capability Tested (HCT)

Ch Sandpiper A Sunnyday Wagontale NAJ "Sunny" Owned by Kathy & James Gray & Stacy Temples
02/09 Champion
08/09 Novice Agility
08/09 Open Jumpers with Weaves
10/09 Open Agility

Wagontale's First Noel "Belle" Owned by Stacy Temples & Howard Ramsdell
2009 - Top Producer of Working Dogs

CH Wagontale's Champagne On Ice CGC, NA, NAJ, OAP, OJP, NDD, BMDCA Versatility Dog "Piper"
2009 Top Producer of Champions

CH Sandpiper Aegir V Wagontale CD, RA, OA, OAJ, NDD, HCT-s, VD "Gremmie"
Owned by Jean Morris, Kathy Gray & Stacy Temples
01/09 Novice Jumpers with Weaves
05/09 Companion Dog
05/09 Novice Agility
08/09 Open Agility
11/09 Open Jumpers with Weaves

Meeting Minutes November 22, 2010

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

The regular meeting of the BMDCR Board of Directors was called to order at 12:06 pm on November 22, 2009 at the home of Drs. Al Beers and Laura Haupenthal in Greenwood Village.

Present: Board members Ron Abbott, Laura Haupenthal, Sharon Keefer.

Absent: Pam Solomon, Sara Karl, Ann Rutherford, Fay Benson, and Elaine Witulski.

Approval of Minutes: Laura moved to approve the minutes of the September meeting as published in the November/December 2009 newsletter. Sharon seconded the motion. Motion passed.

President's Report: Pam absent.

Secretary's Report: Correspondence received since the last meeting:

1. Letter from Lisa Allen offering info on Appenzellers.
2. Trophy donation request from Flatirons KC
3. Flyer from Beth Schmoyer about her Berner sympathy cards
4. Election results form from AKC. Sharon will file after today's election and update officers on the BMDCA website.

Treasurer's Report: Sara absent.

Committee Reports:

Rescue Committee: Ron reported that there is 1 rescue dog coming in. Also, Rescue chairman Ann Rutherford has been contacted by Canine Rescue of Colorado by email. They are a forum for rescue dog workers in Colorado, set up for helping each other. The membership will be asked in the general meeting if they want BMDCR to participate.

Website Committee: Sharon Reported that work is continuing toward the year-end deadline. She is currently verifying content with Committee chairpersons, as Sandy finalizes the design. A PayPal account has been setup for the online store. A call for photos is out to collect good depictions of Berners participating in various activities.

New Business:

Al and Laura are moving, so this will be our last meeting at their home. The January meeting will be held at Marie Callendars in Littleton in conjunction with the Awards

Banquet. The March meeting will be held at the Rutherford's in Castle Rock.

Adjournment: The Board Meeting was adjourned at 12:26 pm.

GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

The regular meeting of the BMDCR membership was called to order at 1:01 pm on November 22, 2009 at the home of members Drs. Al Beers and Laura Haupenthal in Greenwood Village.

Present: 13 voting members (a quorum), 2 sustaining members, and 2 guests.

Approval of Minutes: Valerie Horney moved to approve the minutes of the September meeting as published in the November/December 2009 newsletter. Phil Shaffer seconded the motion. Motion passed.

President's Report: Pam Solomon absent.

Secretary's Report and Website Committee Report: Repeated from Board Meeting. See Board Meeting Minutes.

Treasurer's Report: Sara Karl absent.

Committee Reports:

Show Committee: Dottie Schulte reported that judges have been set for our 2010 Independent Specialty on September 10th. They are Libby Kesner for Conformation, Joyce Vaughn for Sweepstakes, Pat Maynard for Rally and Obedience, and Dick Quaco for Junior Showmanship. Member chairmen will be Alice Gordon for Obedience, Pam Solomon for Rally, Sara Karl for Trophies, Beverly and Michael Hilmes for Reception, Sharon Keefer for Logo and Advertising, Candy McDanal for Hospitality, and Mary Ellen Guy for Chief Ring Steward. A chairman is needed for the Raffle, and Raffle donations are needed. Valerie Horney and Elaine Witulski volunteered to chair the Raffle committee. For the 2013 National Specialty to be held in our region, Dottie reported that the site selection committee has looked at two possibilities. Information has been published in the BMDCR newsletter giving the requirements and soliciting other suggestions. The committee is currently looking into two more possible sites. The 2013 National Specialty Proposal has to be completed by next July/August and submitted for approval by BMDCA. This

proposal needs to contain basic personnel (committee chairpersons) and the site details. Dottie has been in contact with the two other host clubs (Texas and Heartland) as she works to fill the chairperson positions. Chairmen job descriptions have also been posted to the BMDCR yahoo group. Dottie and the site selection committee have also been participating in a yahoo group already set up for the 2013 National Specialty.

Drafting Workshop - Barry Solomon is organizing a drafting seminar to be held mid-to-late summer, before our Fall Draft Test. He has 4 volunteer helpers so far and their committee is meeting after the January Awards Banquet. More information will be published in the newsletter.

Rescue Committee: Dottie Schulte reported that Ann Rutherford has a rescue dog coming this week from Wyoming. This dog was relinquished due to owner moving. A possible home in Fort Collins that was already visited for a previous placement is being considered. Alice Gordon has put together information packets for new rescue dog adopters. Also, Dottie Schulte makes sure newsletters are mailed to adopters.

Awards Banquet: Lou Tucker reported that the January 24, 2010 Awards Banquet will be held at Marie Callendars in Littleton again. The cost will be \$22 per person, \$8 for kids, the same as last year. Our room will be available at 10:20 am for set up. Brunch will be the buffet like last year's. Jeanne Stanwood is doing a Power Point presentation of newly titled dogs and we will be able to use the room's big screen monitor. The new website will be debuted at this time using the big screen or a separate monitor. Members were reminded to be sure to submit their dog's new titles to Alice Gordon who is preparing certificates. Kathy Roth award nominations go to Dottie Schulte. Attendees need to RSVP by 1 week before the banquet.

Spring Draft Test - As published in the last newsletter, Lou Tucker reminded all of the Spring Draft Test scheduled for April 17th at Chatfield State Park in Littleton. The judges will be Eden Jonas and Sue Sanvido. Test Secretary Nadja Torling will submit an ad for The Alpenhorn. More stewards are still needed, and host homes may be needed for the judges.

Membership: Candy McDanal was unanimously elected to Voting Member states, and Margaret Wild was unanimously elected as a Sustaining Member.

Annual Election: The slate of candidates for 2010-2011

terms was elected: Mary Ellen Guy as Vice President, Alice Gordon as Secretary, and Laura Haupenthal, Helen Karl, and Lori Kennedy as Board Members.

New Business:

Meeting Locations: Al Beers and Lara Haupenthal are moving in December, so this was the last meeting to be held here at their home. Many thanks to Al and Lara for all their fabulous hospitality. The January meeting will be held at Marie Callendars in Littleton in conjunction with the Awards Banquet. The March meeting will be held at the Rutherford's in Castle Rock.

Berner Noel: Lou Tucker reminded all of Caroling at Aspen Grove, and our BernerNoel party on December 13th. RSVP to Lou.

Newsletter Editors Needed: New editors are needed to replace Nadja and Dottie Schulte who have been publishing our newsletter for 7 years. Dottie. They have found that it works well to have 2 editors - one to receive news items who can then send organized content to other editor for formatting. Editing also involves taking the newsletter to Kinkos for printing and mails and emailing the issues. Time requirements are about 12-16 hrs every other month. Also required is publisher software and ability to convert to PDF.

Backpacking with Berners: Ron Abbott, who has titled his Berners as Backpacking dogs through the Greater Swiss Mountain Dog Club, would like to see this title available directly for Berners. He would like to hold a demonstration at our May meeting, followed by a more in-depth clinic in the spring or summer. He will also put an article for the March newsletter.

Thanksgiving Parade: Phil Shaffer reported that this Saturday's Thanksgiving parade from Vail Village to Lionshead is open to walkers with their dogs. Participants will meet at 11:00 am for the walk starting at 12:30pm. Contact Phil for more information.

Guest: Meeting guest Gail Marshall who adopted rescue Berner Clyde from the Summit County Shelter reported that Clyde is doing well. Clyde also attended today's meeting. Gail warmed everyone's hearts with tales about her "Adventures with Clyde."

Adjournment: The General Membership Meeting was adjourned at 2:07 pm. Thank you to Al, Laura, Kismet and Dillon for hosting our meetings again.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Sharon Keefer.

In Memoriam

Wagontale's Queen of Hearts Ruby Tuesday. CGC, RN, NDD

June 20, 2003 - December 15, 2009

We lost our dear sweet Ruby on Tuesday night. Chuck and I are devastated; our sons share our grief in losing a beloved member of our family and Cooper is still trying to sort it out. She made many friends and is missed dearly. Ruby had the greatest personality and sense of humor; she charmed us with her crazy ear tricks, her wonderful full arm hugs and her incredibly sweet and sassy loving nature. We had her for 6 1/2 years; not nearly enough time. Ruby Doux, Roo, you will be in our hearts forever.

Goodbye, Ruby Tuesday.

Vicki and Chuck Chesser



BMDCR Club Information

Meetings

The Bernese Mountain Dog Club of the Rockies holds regular meetings on the fourth Sunday of January, March, May, July, September and November, unless members are otherwise notified. The board meetings take place at 11:30 followed by the general meeting at 1:00 followed by the program at 2:00 if scheduled. Location of meetings will be announced each newsletter. In the even numbered months we will offer a club activity that includes dogs, e.g. the Bernerfiesta, Berner hike, draft clinic, herding instinct certification test, Berner Noel, etc. The starting times and locations of these events will vary, depending on the activity.

Newsletter/Subscriptions

We welcome articles written by members on any topic of interest to Berner fanciers. We also reprint uncopyrighted articles from other publications such as the Alpenhorn, other regional club newsletters, the AKC Gazette, and other dog club newsletters as space permits. Newsletter subscriptions are available to non members for \$25.00 per year. Checks should be made payable to BMDCR and sent to Stacy Temples, PO Box 2490, Ft. Collins, CO 80522 2490. Club members' name and/or mailing address changes should also be submitted to Stacy.

Litter Box Policy

BMDCR voting members who have paid the annual \$5.00 Breeder Referral Service fee will be entitled to free Litter Box advertising "for one or more litters" for the entire calendar year. Sustaining members may participate in the BR program if they are sponsored by 2 voting members who also have paid the Breeder Referral fee.

Rules for Listing a Litter

Litter must come from a member breeder or stud owner in good standing with the BMDCR who has paid the designated fee. The litter must be registrable with the AKC. Litter parents must have had hips and elbows x rayed and submitted to the OAF, GDR, OVC or other recognized registry. Dams must be over 18 months of age. Litter owner must provide a 4 generation pedigree to buyers. Puppies must be sold with a health guarantee subject to veterinary exam within 48 hours of sale. Litter owner must have a complete entry in Berner Garde by the time the litter is 12 months old. All ads must be limited to the following information: Sire, Dam, Whelping Date, and Breeder's name, address, and telephone number. In addition, "The only acceptable reference to joint conformation in Litter Box announcements are GDR, OAF, OVC numbers for hips and elbows, including the letter rating and age in months at evaluation.

Classified Advertising/Display Advertising

The BMDCR newsletter accepts classified ads. This is the perfect opportunity to get rid of that used dog equipment cluttering up your garage, publicize dog related services, or sell Berner arts and crafts items. Classified advertising should be sent to the newsletter editor. There will be a charge of 10 cents per word. A check for the required amount, payable to BMDCR, should be included with your ad copy. Display advertising will be handled by the editor. All display ads should be sent directly to the editor. Rates are as follows: Full Page: \$25, Half Page: \$15 "these include use of one photo; additional photos will cost \$10 each". 1/4 Page: \$10, Business Card: \$5 "these are no photo ads". Camera ready ads subtract 25%. Include a check payable to BMDCR with your ad copy.

Submission Deadlines for Publication

The BMDCR newsletter is published bi monthly. All articles, reports, and ads must be received by the editor as follows: the 20th day of February, April, June, August and December for the next months issue.