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## *Rendezvous In The Rockies*

The 2013 BMDCA National Specialty is really just days away. After years of planning, and tons of hard work by countless people, we are here. All of the volunteers need to be thanked for the time and dedication they have put into helping make this a wonderful event.

All are welcome to come out to Loveland to help us celebrate this wonderful breed and enjoy the Specialty. You will have many opportunities specialty week to see Berners participating in activities that celebrate the human and canine relationship.



If you have a few hours to spare, consider volunteering some time during the week. Maybe it can be selling Raffle tickets, or helping at the registration desk, or as a steward at one of the draft tests or handing out ring favors .

Please let Volunteer Coordinator Carrie Roos ([bmdmomak@yahoo.com](mailto:bmdmomak@yahoo.com)) know when you plan on being at the specialty and she can get you in contact with one of the committees needing volunteers during that time.

## President's Message

President's Message – May 2013 newsletter

Here we are! After years of planning, the National Specialty is NOW.

We will all be running to and fro at The Ranch, and in the midst of everything, let's show off the best that Colorado has to offer – a welcoming attitude, a fabulous Berner community, and good sportsmanship. Enjoy a busy but fun filled week in Loveland surrounded by beautiful dogs.

And remember, we will not meet in May --we will be in recovery. Instead, mark your calendars for Saturday, June 8. That will be our We Did It! Party. We will celebrate Dottie & Company's many efforts and pat ourselves on the back for a week's worth of fun.

See you at The Ranch!

Mary Ellen

## 20th Annual Furry Scurry

The 20th Annual Furry Scurry is coming up on Saturday May 4th. This will be the second year for "The Bernese Mountain Dogs and Friends" Team. Currently the team has raised over \$4,000 and we're well on our way to our goal of \$5000, and are expecting approximately 30 members!

We're going Western this year with the theme "Berner Bandits - They'll Steal Your Heart!", and we are getting a custom design from Maggie Brudos to commemorate the event!

- If you would like to join our team (Minimum \$50 donation), here is the link: [http://support.ddfl.org/site/TR/Events/Furry\\_Scurry?team\\_id=6980&pg=team&fr\\_id=1190](http://support.ddfl.org/site/TR/Events/Furry_Scurry?team_id=6980&pg=team&fr_id=1190)(Click the Join Team link). \*\*You can join up until 9:00 am on the event day!
- If you would like to support our team, please use this link: [http://support.ddfl.org/site/TR/Events/Furry\\_Scurry?px=1507559&pg=personal&fr\\_id=1190](http://support.ddfl.org/site/TR/Events/Furry_Scurry?px=1507559&pg=personal&fr_id=1190) \*\*We can accept donations up until June 3rd.

Thank you so much for your support - and hope to see you on Furry Scurry day!

Buffy & Milo

## Upcoming Meetings/Special Events Schedule

### **May, 2013 - Dumb Friends League Furry Scurry**

**Date:** May 4, 2013

**Location:** Washington Park, Denver, CO

\*Contact Buffy Snider at AVampSlayer@gmail.com for more information on joining or donating to the Bernese Mountain Dogs and Friends team.

### **2013 BMDCA National Specialty "Rendezvous in the Rockies"**

**Date:** May 13-18, 2013

**Location:** The Ranch Events Complex and Embassy Suites Hotel, Spa, and Conference Center, Loveland, CO

For more information, visit the website: [www.bmdca.org/specialty/2013](http://www.bmdca.org/specialty/2013)

Facebook page: [www.facebook.com/BMDCA2013](http://www.facebook.com/BMDCA2013)

Show Chairman - Dottie Schulte - [dotties911@aol.com](mailto:dotties911@aol.com)

Conformation Co-Chair - Sara Karl - [karl3106@comcast.net](mailto:karl3106@comcast.net)

Performance Co-Chair - Stephanie Biksacky - [dogwoman67@q.com](mailto:dogwoman67@q.com)

### **June, 2013 - We Did It - Party and Meeting**

**Date:** June 8, 2013, 12:00 Noon

**Location:** Home of Lou and Bob Tucker, 7155 W. Montview Ln. Littleton, CO 80125

Directions to Lou and Bob Tuckers home:

From the North / East

I-25 to C-470 W. West on C-470 9 miles to US-85/Santa Fe Dr.

Left on Santa Fe, South 3.3 miles to Lakeside Dr.

Left on Lakeside Drive (Chatfield Estates sign at entrance )

First LEFT onto Pineview

First RIGHT onto Montview. (Both short distances)

7155 is 4<sup>th</sup> house on the Left - brick ranch

From the South

I-25 North to Exit 184 - Take ramp Right & follow signs for Founders / Meadows Pkwy

Turn Left onto CO-86W / Founders/Meadows .4 miles

Turn Right onto US-85 North Drive North approx 11.5 miles (through Sedalia) and past

Titan Pkwy exit sign.

1 mile (approx) past Titan Pky sign, Right Turn onto Lakeside Drive (there is a right turn lane on Santa Fe)

Left on Pineview, Right on Montview.

Feel free to park in driveway. Enter yard through wooden gate to the LEFT. Please shut gate behind you & keep extra barrier secure. Dogs are welcome – yard is fully fenced with 3 foot fencing. Be mindful if your dog is a jumper.

Follow walkway to lower level entrance down the stairs.

### **June, 2013 - Berner Pack Hike**

**Date:** June 9, 2013

**Location:** Rolling Creek Trail out of the Colorado Trail trailhead, east of Bailey

Put your Berner's backpack on for a sylvan hike Sunday, June 9, on the Rolling Creek Trail out of the Colorado Trail trailhead, east of Bailey. If interested, contact Ron Abbott, [Phippsia@aol.com](mailto:Phippsia@aol.com). More details forthcoming in April/May when Ron has the chance to check out the trail after snowmelt.

## Show News!

### Bernese Mountain Dog Club of the Rockies Draft Test Results 4/06/2013

compiled by : Valerie Horney

Great Success! That is the best way to describe our test this year. We had an almost full test with 23 entries. Way more than we had anticipated but with enough room for a Sammy and 2 German Shepherds. Thanks to Patti and Fay for agreeing to judge and to Vicki Chesser for being secretary!! Additional huge thanks to all our stewards who helped all day. It was a very long day and we could not have done it without you! Thanks to Nancy Fuselier for making and donating our ring favors - handmade hand towels with a carting Berner on each one. Not only did we stay within budget we made money for our future draft tests. With all of us donating items from trophies to breakfast (Thank you Sharon Keefer!), our profits are likely to be over \$600! . Thanks to everyone for entering and supporting our brown bag test!! It was AWESOME. Congrats to the passers and hearty applause for the "almosters".

#### Passing:

**Open** Watson and Barry Solomon

**Open** Kuza and Valerie Horney

**Open Brace** Watson and Smokey and Pam Solomon also earning Watson's **Master Open Brace Draft Dog**

**Open** Narsil and Kim Giannone

**Novice** Angie and Steph Biksacky and also the recipient of the oldest qualifying berner prize, donated by Nancy, at 10 years old.

**Novice** Kismet(Sammy) and Denice Norby

**Novice Brace** Watson and Kuza and Valerie Horney, Watson also earned his **Advance Brace** Novice Draft Dog

**Novice** Lacey and Vicky Whitney

**Novice** Zuzu and Vicky Hall

**Novice** Kuza and Valerie Horney

**Novice Brace** Narsil and Wellington and Kim Giannone

**Novice Brace** Murrey and Graci and Lori Kennedy

**Novice** Rose and Nancy Winegar

**Novice** Far( GSD) and Pam Brown



#### WOO HOO to all!!!



## Show News! By Lou Tucker

### = Performance =

CH Wagontale's Whodunnit? CD,RE,NDD,ANDD,DD,MBDD,D1 (Watson)  
 3/15/2013 AKC Rally National - 2 Qualifying Runs  
*Watson & Pam Solomon are the only Bernese Mountain Dog team to ever compete at the Rally Nationals. Congratulations Watson & Pam!*

Classique's Midnight Serenade (Cooper) Owned by Patty Wellinger  
 3/16/2013 Southern Colorado Australian Shepard Club (ASCA)  
 Rally Advanced 2<sup>nd</sup> leg, 4<sup>th</sup> Place, Novice Obedience, 1<sup>st</sup> Leg, Novice Obedience -2<sup>nd</sup> Leg 4<sup>th</sup> Pl  
 GCH CH Lorien Dell's Sword of Elendil DD,ANDD Owners – Kim & Joe Giannone  
 Garden City Kansas Kennel Club

3/8/13 Novice A Obedience 1<sup>st</sup> Leg Score 185. 1<sup>st</sup> Place  
 3/9/13 “ “ 2<sup>nd</sup> Leg Score 190 1<sup>st</sup> Place  
 3/10/13 “ “ 3<sup>rd</sup> Leg Score 193 1<sup>st</sup> Place NEW TITLE CD – Companion Dog

NEW BMDCA VERSITALITY DOG  
 Zuzu's Petals CD RA OA OAJ NF NJP DD  
 3/22/13 NEW TITLE CDX—Companion Dog Excellent  
 Golden Spike Dog Obedience Club, Farmington, UT

### = Conformation =

\*Garden City Kansas Kennel Club\* 3/08/13  
 WD/BW Miabis Save The Last Dance For Crystal Hi Owners-Kristina Wickizer & Kerri Kent  
 RWD Wagontale's Zorba Owners – Stacy Temples & Judith Johnson  
 BPY/G2 Ratcliff's Lily Of The Valley Owners – Tracey Carpe & Jennifer Necker  
 WB Wagontale's Victory Dance Owners – Stacy Temples & Kevin Kaul  
 BOS CH Memories Marquita V Ratcliff Owners – Tracey Carpe, Cathy Burlile, J. Necker  
 \*Garden City Kansas Kennel Club\* 3/09/13  
 WD/BW Miabis Save The Last Dance For Crystal Hi Owners-Kristina Wickizer & Kerri Kent  
 RWD Wagontale's Zorba Owners – Stacy Temples & Judith Johnson  
 BBY/G1/BS Ratcliff's Lily Of The Valley Owners – Tracey Carpe & Jennifer Necker  
 RWB Ayehli's Amazing Grace V Ratcliff Owners-Tracey Carpe, Fara Bushnell & Jennifer Necker  
 BOS CH Memories Mariquita V Ratcliff Owners-Tracey Carpe, Cathy Burlile & Jennifer Necker  
 \*Garden City Kansas Kennel Club\* 3/10/13  
 WD/BW Miabis Save The Last Dance For Krystal Hi Owners-Kristina Wickizer & Kerri Kent  
 RWD Wagontale's Zorba Owners – Stacy Temples & Judith Johnson  
 WB Wagontale's A Magic Belle Owners – Stacy Temples & Howard Ramsdell  
 RWB Ratcliff's Lily Of The Valley Owners – Tracey Carpe & Jennifer Necker  
 BOS CH Memories Marquita V Ratcliff Owners-Tracey Carpe, Cathy Burlile, Jennifer Necker  
 \*Scottsbluff Kennel Club\* 3/29/13  
 W/BW Wagontale's Zorba Owners – Stacy Temples & Howard Ramsdell  
 RWD Prairefire's Music Of The Night Owners- Becky & Bob Shuris & Sharon Johnson  
 WB/OS Wagontale's Victory Dance Owners – Stacy Temples & Kevin Kaul  
 RWB Wagontale's Yureka Owners \_ Stacy Temples & Howard Ramsdell  
 BB Ch Gatekeeper Vom Gipfelfeur Owner - Sharon Johnson  
 SEL CH American Ale Von Der Bernessehof Owner – Beverly & Michael Hilmes  
 \*Scottsbluff Kennel Club\* 3/30/13  
 WD/BW Wagontale's Zorba Owners – Stacy Temples & Howard Ramsdell  
 RWD Prairefire's Music Of The Night Owners – Becky & Bob Shuris & Sharon Johnson  
 WB/OS Prairefire's Perfectly Happy - Owners – Joanna Hughes & Sharon Johnson  
 RWB Wagontale's Yureka Owners – Stacy Temples & Howard Ramsdell  
 BB CH Gatekeeper Vom Gipfelfeur Owner – Sharon Johnson

## Show News! By Lou Tucker

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SEL CH American Ale Von Der Bernessehof Owners – Beverly & Michael Hilmes  
 \*Scottsbluff Kennel Club\* 3/31/2013

WD/BW Wagontale's Zorba Wagontale's Zorba Owner – Stacy Temples & H. Ramsdell

RWD Prairefire's Music Of The Night Owners-Becky & Bob Shuris & S. Johnson

WB/OS Prairefire's Perfectly Happy - Owners – Joanna Hughes & Sharon Johnson

RWB/BBY Wagontale's Yureka Owners – Stacy Temples & Howard Ramsdell

BB CH Gatekeeper Vom Gipfelfeur Owner – Sharon Johnson

SEL Ch American Ale Von Der Bernessehof Owners – Beverly & Michael Hilmes  
 \*Salina Kennel Club\* 4/06/13

WB Ratcliff's Lily Of The Valley Owners – Tracey Carpe & Jennifer Necker

SEL CH Memories Mariquita V Ratcliff Owners-Tracey Carpe, Cathy Burlile, Jennifer Necker  
 Junior Showmanship \* Regional Showmanship Competition\*

AM/FIN Jennifer Necker

\*Witchita Kennel Club\* 4/07/13

WB Prairefire's Hidden Treasure At Tanzanite Owners – Sharon Montville & Sharon Johnson

### NEW CH

OS/BOBOH CH Memories Mariquita V Ratcliff Owners-Tracey Carpe, Cathy Burlile, Jennifer Necker  
 Junior Showmanship

BJH Jennifer Necker & Ratcliff's Lily of The Valley

\*Wichita Kennel Club\* 4/08/13

WB/BW Summit's Legend In The Making V Cope Owners-A.Fitzgerald,S.Dunaway, Woodhull

SEL – CH Memories Mariquita V Ratcliff Owners-Tracey Carpe, Cathy Burlile, Jennifer Necker

\*Terry-All Kennel Club\* 04/13/13

WD/BW DeLi's Lemark Believe It Or Not Owners – Dr.M.E.Guy & Lilian Ostermiller

### NEW CH

RWD Wagontale's Zorba Owners-Stacy Temples & Judith Johnson

WB Wagontale's Victory Dance Owners – Stacy Temples & Howard Ramsdell

RWB Ella Bermondo Bohemia Owner - Catherine Davis

BB CH Gatekeeper Vom Gipfelfeur Owner - Sharon Johnson

OS CH Ridon Hennet Highland Park Owner – Christine Mann

SEL CH Mountainair's Lima Bean RE,CD Owners-Elisabeth Dennehy, W.Rogers, D.Babb  
 Team Brace

BBR Ratcliff's Lily of the Valley & CH Memories Mariquita V Ratcliff - Owner- Tracey Carpe  
 Junior Showmanship

1<sup>st</sup> Place Open Intermediate Jennifer Necker & CH Memories Mariquita V Ratcliff

\*Terry-All Kennel Club\* 05/14/13

WD/BW Prairefire's Music Of The Night Owners – Becky & Bob Shuris & S. Johnson

WB Wagontale's Yureka Owners – Stacy Temples & Howard Ramsdell

RWB Wagontale's Victory Dance Owners – Stacy Temples & Howard Ramsdell

BB CH Gatekeeper Vom Gipfelfeur Owner – Sharon Johnson

OS CH Ridon Hennet Highland Park Owner – Christine Mann

SEL CH Prairefire's Worth My Weight In Gold Owners-Christine Lancaster & S. Johnson

## Breed Mentors Program

What is the BMDCR Mentors program?

Have you ever wondered what events and activities are available for you and your dog?

Have you seen or heard of an event or activity for you and your dog that you might be interested in but didn't know where to start or were afraid to ask?

Have you thought about an event or activity for you and your dog, but were unsure how to train, and afraid to invest in specialized equipment without knowing if your dog was a willing participant?

BMDCR Mentors are club members with skill and expertise in events and activities you can do with your dogs. These Mentors have agreed to act as points of contacts for your questions regarding how to get started, how and where to train, what equipment to buy, and how to find and enter events and activities.

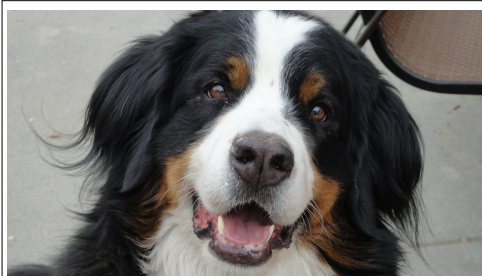
BMDCR Mentors have volunteered to support your questions via phone and/or email. From time to time, they may schedule demonstrations that will be part of club meetings or as separate stand-alone events. You may be invited to local practice sessions or shows to see the mentor and their dogs in action.

All you need to do is take the first step by contacting a BMDCR Mentor!

For a current list of Mentors please see the club website: <http://www.bmdcr.org/Mentors.html>

BMDCR Members – If you would like to be listed as a Mentor for one of the events or activities above, or if you can Mentor an event or activity that is not on the list, please contact Barry Solomon at [bsolomon@myqci.com](mailto:bsolomon@myqci.com) or 303-670-0426.

## Memorials



### In Memoriam

*Loriendell's I Love Lucy*

*13 Nov 2007- 26 Dec 2013*

Lucy, 5 years old, left us all too early. She had a quirky, mischievous and very large personality that touched everyone who met her. We learned a lot from Lucy's generous and enthusiastic love for the family she was born in and the family she adopted. Her favorite things were running, lying on the couch for a good belly rub and finding tissues or stray papers to eat. Lucy's spirit will forever remain in our hearts.

With Sincere Gratitude and Appreciation to our Berner Mentors, Lynn and George Wood, who supported us with Berner love and Devotion.

Beverly and Bob Hirsekorn

**Membership Update** by Chairperson- Stacy Temples**May /June 2013 Membership**

Please welcome the following new members who were approved at the meeting on March 24, 2013.

**Voting:**

**Tracey Carpe**, 1423 Yosemite Dr, Colorado Springs, CO 80910. Ph. H) 719-473-5750, M) 505.850.8284. E-mail: [luvmyberniers@gmail.com](mailto:luvmyberniers@gmail.com).

**Sustaining:**

**Kathryn Smith**, 9622 Cordova Drive, Littleton, CO 80130. Ph. H) 303-470-1292, M) 720-218-1258. E-mail: [Katie@oboe4hire.com](mailto:Katie@oboe4hire.com).

**Susan V. Martin**, 275 South 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Brighton, CO 80601. Ph. H) 303-536-4034, M) 720 963-3328. E-mail: [susan.martin@dot.gov](mailto:susan.martin@dot.gov).

**Richard O' Conner**, 4751 Sedona Circle, Parker CO 80134. Ph. M) 719- 439-7770. E-mail: [rboc2@me.com](mailto:rboc2@me.com).

**Julia & Michael Smith**, 3473 Tall Wind Drive, Colorado Springs, CO. 80911. JPh. 303-808-4550, JE-mail: [orchidj5@yahoo.com](mailto:orchidj5@yahoo.com). MPh. 303-903-6435, ME-mail: [sfcsnake@comcast.net](mailto:sfcsnake@comcast.net).

**New Applicants:****Sustaining and Junior**

**Tiffany & Riley Green**, 6442 Falcon Ridge Ct., Fort Collins, Colorado 80525. Ph. H) 970-484-9844. M) 970-481-3826. E-mail: [runflgator@aol.com](mailto:runflgator@aol.com) & [rileyegreen@gmail.com](mailto:rileyegreen@gmail.com). Sponsors: Barb Callen LeTourneau and Val Horney. Their family dog is Kaibab's Aspen Green, (F, 07/13/2000) from M. Bowman. They are interested in health issues, conformation and obedience. They are planning to get new puppy this summer. Tiffany is going to attend the specialty and help with the Raffle. Riley is a Junior and has been baking cookies for the specialty. They have never bred a litter or been dog club members before. They have applications pending with the BMDCA.

## Board Meeting Minutes - March 24, 2013

The regular meeting of the BMDCR Board of Directors was called to order at 12:00 pm on [March 24th, 2013 at the home of Al Beers and Laura Haupenthal in Greenwood Village.](#)

**Present:** Board members Mary Ellen Guy, Sara Karl, Alice Clark, Candy McDanal, Barry Solomon, Laura Haupenthal. Guests Dottie Schulte and Lou Tucker.

**Approval of Minutes:** Candy moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting as with name corrections to Al Beers and Laura Haupenthal published in the March/April 2013 newsletter. Motion seconded by Barry. All in favor, motion passed.

**Secretary's Report:** Nothing to report.

**Treasurer's Report:** Rescue checking \$5182.00; CD \$6,788.47 (matures in July); savings 5362.98 (matures in January 2013), checking \$12,255.66. Sara bought new Quickbooks software at Costco for \$199. Sara has filed tax documents for 2012. Laura moves to approve report, Candy seconds. Sara abstains. All in favor, motion passed.

### Committee Reports

**Rescue Committee** – nothing to report.

**2013 National Specialty** – Dottie has a lot of details to work out for the Ranch. We do need to pay for the WiFi at the Ranch for the week. Val and Dottie have been working on 2 baskets for the 2013 Raffle with a beer theme. They have spent about \$200 and have donations so far for \$50. Lory State Park burned during the recent wildfires. The area burned included our tracking site. We are thinking about going back to Cobb Lake now. The Tracking Committee is working on this. Chatfield State Park might be another option.

**2013 Regional Specialty**– nothing for this meeting.

### Old Business

#### New Business

**Procedure for Reimbursing Rescue Costs** – Phil spent about \$358.00 on rescue dog "Heidi" for sock removal surgery in February. (Jean Stanwood has receipt from Buxton Animal Hospital with exact amount.) Mary Ellen suggests we delegate responsibilities for approving Rescue expenditures to the Rescue Committee. Laura suggests that we put a cap on the amount they can spend and if they go over they need to get approval from the membership. Sara feels that we should work towards the Rescue Committee being an independent 501C. Then they can have their own bylaws, and make all their own decisions. Barry suggested that we might split the Rescue funds into an account that the Rescue committee has complete access to, and a separate account that cannot be withdrawn without membership approval. Alice suggests that if we are going to give the Rescue Committee the authorization to spend the money in their checking account, that there still needs to be a communication to the Board and the rest of the committee about the proposed expenditure. We did not come to any conclusions on this subject.

**May Meeting / Berner Fiesta** – Mary Ellen felt that we really aren't going to feel like having our regular May meeting one week after the National and therefore we should probably move the meeting out into June. For Berner Fiesta she suggests that we should have a party to celebrate the conclusion of the National. Lou Tucker volunteers their home for the party, Saturday June 8<sup>th</sup>. This will include a brief Membership meeting.

**Next Meeting:** The next board meeting is June 8th, at Bob and Lou Tucker's home in Littleton.

**Adjournment:** The Board Meeting was adjourned at 12:40 pm. Alice motioned to adjourn, Laura seconded. All in favor, motion passed.

## General Meeting Minutes - March 24, 2013

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### General Meeting Minutes

The regular meeting of the BMDCR membership was called to order at 1:09 pm on March 24<sup>th</sup> at the home of Al Beers and Laura Hauptenthal in Greenwood Village.

**Present:** 17 voting members (a quorum), 2 sustaining members, 0 junior members and 2 guests.

**Approval of Minutes:** Alice moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting as published in the April/May 2013 newsletter. Motion seconded by Candy. All in favor, motion passed.

**Guests** – Tiffany and Riley Green, they have Aspen who is 12 years old. They are working on becoming members of the BMDCR and BMDCA.

### President's Report:

We have planned a party to celebrate the success of our National Specialty for Saturday June 8<sup>th</sup>. This will also have an abbreviated membership meeting. It will be at Lou's home.

Teresa Dominquez and Tracy Carp have put out their first newsletter. Nice job ladies!

Sharon, Val, Stacy, Sandy, Tracy Carpe, Ron all helped out at the Meet the Breed at the Denver shows.

We also had a successful Eye Clinic in March.

Reminder that we have our spring draft test on April 6<sup>th</sup>. We have 22 entries. Everything is good to go.

**Secretary's Report:** See Board minutes.

**Treasurer's Report:** See Board minutes. Sharon Keefer motions to approve Treasurers report, Candy seconds, Sara abstains. All in favor, motion passed.

### Committee Reports

**Ways and Means** – We have 3 new designs to debut at the National. Sharon has had a good response to help out at the booth at the national. Lou is also looking for volunteers for the National Ways & Means booth as well. Lou is working on getting the W&M's stuff out of her basement.

**Club Historian and Inventory Control** – Remember to send Elaine emails if you have any club materials in your possession.

**2013 Regional** – The theme is "Berners Gone Wild". Everything is moving along fine. We have our AKC approvals. Two open positions are Raffle Chair and a Ring Steward. Sharon motions to do an ad in the Alpenhorn, Sara seconds. All in favor, motion passed.

**2013 BMDCA National Specialty** – The dates are May 13<sup>th</sup> to May 18<sup>th</sup>. We still need lots of volunteers. Sunday May 12<sup>th</sup> is grooming set up. We need track layers for Sunday as well. The recent wildfire near Fort Collins burned our tracking site, so we are working on another site. Monday is grooming move in. We have the McKee building from Sunday on, so we can set up Berner U on Sunday. Don Kennedy is transporting Conformation equipment from Kiowa – it will be set up on Monday. He will also get the obedience equipment from Berthoud on Monday afternoon as well. Berner-Garde will be in the vendor area. Photo contest set up in Hotel will be on Monday. We are borrowing poop stations from the Greeley Kennel Club to set up at hotel and show site. We should set up the poop stations on Sunday morning. We're also borrowing their walkie-talkies and pop tents. Agility and Draft sets up on Monday. Herding is setting up on Sunday evening. Draft stewards are needed for Tuesday and Thursday. We will leave the agility ring set up to be a dog yard throughout the week. We still need to plan the dog yard at the hotel. Saturday we will need help with breakdown. We'll pull the mats in conformation on Saturday. Long's Peak will take care picking up their own equipment. There are still trophy donations that are open for sponsoring. Val and Dottie put together baskets for the BMDCR to donate to Raffle. Val motions that we donate \$100 dollars to the raffle basket. Alice seconds, all in favor, motion passed. The Host Hotel is full and we still have a very long wait

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list. If anyone was thinking of sharing, but isn't, now's the time! We should have final registration counts the first week in April.

**Fall Draft Test Report** – Beth has located a place for test in Steamboat Springs and she is in negotiation on a date. Dottie motions to host a 2 day fall draft test, Val seconds. All in favor, motion passed.

**Rescue** – There was a dog that needed surgery to remove a sock, the owners couldn't afford the surgery and signed the dog over to us. Because it was an emergency, Phil had to have the surgery done right away, and this was done without prior approval for the expenses, approximately \$350. Sharon motioned to reimburse Phil, Ron Seconds, all in favor, motion passed.

**Mentor Program** – Barry has the program up and running. Links are in the newsletter and it's up on the website. Additional people have volunteered to be mentor. We do still need a mentor for tracking. The Twin City club liked our program and is working on leveraging what we've done.

### Election of New Members

Tracy Carp – voting member, sponsors Sara Karl and Dottie Schulte.

Kathryn Smith – Sustaining member, sponsors are Sara Karl and Jean Smith.

Susan Martin – Sustaining member, sponsors are Phil Shaffer and Patti Davieau.

Rich O'Connor – Sustaining member, sponsors are Phil Shaffer and Patti Davieau.

Julia and Michael Smith – Sustaining member, sponsors are Phil Shaffer and Val Horney.

Everyone was voted in.

### Unfinished Business

#### New Business

**Draft Camp** – Barry proposes an August date again due to the National. We'll talk more about it after the National. Patti Davieau has volunteered her place again. Alice has volunteered to help again, and we hope Lori will as well.

**Pack Hike** – There is still a lot of snow in the mountains, Ron will have more news later.

**Furry Scurry** – Buffy and Mike are putting a team together again this year and are requesting a \$250 donation from the club. They have 12 team members and over \$2,000 donated so far. You can also do a private donation or go to the website. You can also join the team if you'd like as either a walker or a non-walker. The event is Saturday May 4<sup>th</sup>. These funds go the Dumb Friends League. Mary Ellen related that someone told her that DF purchases dogs from New Mexico and other puppy mills to sell. Several people in the room did not think that this was true. Sharon suggested that we should invite them to a program for one of our meetings. Sharon motions that club donates \$250, Dottie seconds, all in favor motion passed.

**Next Meeting:** The May meeting will be held at the Tuckers on June 8<sup>th</sup> in concert with a Party to celebrate the conclusion of the 2013 National Specialty. Noon for the Board meeting and 1pm for the General meeting.

Adjournment: Val motions to adjourn, Barry seconds. Meeting adjourned at 2:05 pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Alice Gordon.

## **BMDCR Membership Renewal**

### **BMDCR 2013 Membership Renewal**

**Please see the attached membership renewal form.**

**Complete and return to Sara by June 1st.**

**The form is a tri-fold self mailer when printed double sided.**

### **BMDCR Newsletter Deadlines for 2013**

Please submit content for BMDCR newsletters to the Editor by the deadlines listed below.

In addition to regular features, appropriate articles, advertisements and photos are welcome.

Jul/Aug Issue – 6/15/13

Sep/Oct Issue – 8/15/13

Nov/Dec Issue – 10/15/13

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## **Advertisements**



As a Bernese Mountain Dog owner, are you looking for fun opportunities where you can socialize your dog, and make new friends? Would you like to have the chance to hike, camp, have play dates at dog parks, take canine First Aid, massage classes, walk in parades, do fun run/walk events, raise money for good causes, and more all while hanging out with other cool Berner owners & dogs?

Join us in the #1 Bernese Mountain Dog “Meetup” ([www.Meetup.com](http://www.Meetup.com)) club in the World! We have now have 155 members, and are growing every week! Since we founded the group in July, 2011 we've had 128 Meetups, and currently have 36 planned.

If you know any Berner owners, or folks who are new to Colorado, and are looking for a chance to meet up and do various activities with fellow Berner fans, please pass the word along!

Check us out at <http://www.meetup.com/The-Colorado-Bernese-Mountain-Dog-Meetup-Group/>.

We're also on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/pages/The-Colorado-Bernese-Mountain-Dog-Meetup-Group/222486277790520>

Thanks & hope to see you soon at a Meetup Event!

## Bernese Mountain Dog Club of the Rockies

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## The Bernese Mountain Dog Club of The Rockies Fast Facts

- Founded in October 1987, the BMDCR is comprised of people who love Bernese Mountain Dogs.
- The BMDCR serves the states of Colorado, Utah, New Mexico, and Wyoming.
- The BMDCR has been officially recognized as a regional club by the Bernese Mountain Dog Club of America since 1989.
- The BMDCR achieved status as an AKC licensed club in 2007, and hosted their first independent specialty show that same year.
- BMDCR members are fanciers involved in breeding, showing, service and performance activities, as well as those whose Bernese are cherished family members.



**Providing a source of education and support  
for fanciers of Bernese Mountain Dogs**

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## Keeping In Touch...

The Bernese Mountain Dog Club of the Rockies is striving to keep in touch with its existing members, and reach out to new ones. Here are some of the ways we're working to connect with you!

- **Website**—[www.bmdcr.org](http://www.bmdcr.org) \*Please note, to review the Members Only section of the website, you must have the member password. If you are a member, and need the password, please send a message to Helen Karl at [helann10@yahoo.com](mailto:helann10@yahoo.com).
- **Facebook**—[Bernese Mountain Dog Club of the Rockies](#)
- **Yahoo Groups**—<http://pets.groups.yahoo.com/group/BMDCRockies/> \*Please note, this group is for members only and you must obtain permission by the moderator to join.