








Mountain Dog MESSENGER

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

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Dear Dogs,

When I say to move, it means go someplace else, not switch positions with each other so there are still two dogs in the way.

The dishes with the paw print are yours and contain your food. The other dishes are mine and contain my food. Please note, placing a paw print in the middle of my plate and food does not stake a claim for it becoming your food and dish, nor do I find that aesthetically pleasing in the slightest.

The stairway was not designed by Nascar and is not a racetrack. Beating me to the bottom is not the object. Tripping me doesn't help, because I fall faster than you can run.

I cannot buy anything bigger than a king size bed. I am very sorry about this. Do not think I will continue to sleep on the couch to ensure your comfort. Look at videos of dogs sleeping, they can actually curl up in a ball. It is not necessary to sleep perpendicular to each other stretched out to the fullest extent possible. I also know that sticking tails straight out and having tongues hanging out the other end to maximize space used is nothing but doggy sarcasm.

My compact discs are not miniature frisbees.

For the last time, there is not a secret exit from the bathroom. If by some miracle I beat you there and manage to get the door shut, it is not necessary to claw, whine, try to turn the knob, or get your paw under the edge and try to pull the door open. I must exit through the same door I entered. In addition, I have been using bathrooms for years, canine attendance is not mandatory.

And finally, the proper order is kiss me, then go smell other dogs butt. I cannot stress this enough. It would be such a simple change for you guys to make.

Letter from the President

Fall is in the air, and I know the dogs enjoy the cooler days. The trees are starting to turn colors in my area, I think we will have a great colorful fall.

Where did our summer go? I know the club was busy with a lot of great events; from parades to the Burner campout, the Bernerfiesta, Draft test; and the Regional was a wonderful time.

I want to take this time to thank our club, we have such wonderful members; I feel this is what makes our club so successful. We always seem to come together when we have an event and help is there at a phone call. I have in the past needed to make changes with events and I really have never been turned down for help when I need to make a phone call. So from me personally I want to thank this club for all their hard work, and when you run into each other just give thanks to one another. Without each other this club wouldn't be what it is.

Enjoy the great days of fall, and give all your Berner's a hug for me.

Patti Morgan

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in serving on the
nominating committee
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– Any member is welcome to join in any of the above committees.
Just contact the respective chair and express your interest. –

Submit All Membership Applications To:

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BMDCR Breed Contact Information Line:

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Fall Draft Test



Maneuvering the course... Successfully!



Debbi Towndrow giving Judy a massage.



Judging... Patti Morgan and Steve Dudley.

Photos courtesy of Mary Rogers.

Meeting Notice

November 23rd
Board Meeting 11:30 AM • General Meeting 1:00 PM

Veterinary Referral Center of Colorado
3550 South Jason Street, Englewood, Colorado (just east of Santa Fe and Hampden)

Show News

— Valerie Horney —



Durango Kennel Club

May 17-19, 2003

3 legs CH Lorien Dell's Luthien Tinuviel, "Lu"
owned by George and Lynn Wood

 New Companion Dog

Yellowstone Valley Kennel Club

June 17, 2003

WB

Spring's Sandia, "Sandy"
owned by Nancy Fuselier

BB

CH Ahquabi's Bank On It, "Teller"
owned by Valerie Horney

June 18, 2003

RWD

Wagontale's Ivanhoe, "Ivan"
owned by Stacy Temples

BB

CH Eur-Am's Enough Already CD NA, "Ready"
owned by Valerie Horney

BOS

CH Triad's All night Serenade, "Alie"
owned by Karen Baru

June 19, 2003

BB

CH Triad's All night Serenade, "Alie"
owned by Karen Baru

Electric City Kennel Club

June 19, 2003

BB

CH Triad's All night Serenade, "Alie"
owned by Karen Baru

June 20, 2003

BB

CH Triad's All night Serenade, "Alie"
owned by Karen Baru
Group 2

Five Valley Kennel Club

June 24, 2003

WD

Demetux Anchors Aweigh, "Sailor"
owned by Lynne and Rick Robinson

Roaring Fork Kennel Club

July 12, 2003

WD

Wagontale's Ivanhoe "Ivan"
owned by Stacy Temples
 New Champion

WB/BOS

Lorien Dell's Prairie Dawn
owned by Lynn and George Wood

July 13, 2003

WD/BW

Wagontale's Great Grey Wizard, "Gandalf"
owned by Pam & Barry Solomon, & Stacy Temples

RWD

Lorien Dell's Lord of the Rings, "Tolkien"
owned by G & L Wood, & G & L Nygaard

WB

Lorien Dell's Prairie Dawn
owned by Lynn and George Wood

Buckhorn Valley Kennel Club

August 8, 2003

WD

Lorien Dell's Lord of the Rings, "Tolkien"
owned by G & L Wood, & G & L Nygaard

RWD

Demetux Anchors Aweigh, "Sailor"
owned by Lynne and Rick Robinson

WB/BW/BOS

Wagontale's Mirabelle, "Mira"
owned by Stacy Temples & Howard Ramsdell

RWD

Nashem's Dreamboat of Saphirre
owned by Sara Karl and Carol Arbuthnot

BB

Nashem's Got It Made, "Rikki"
owned by Sara Karl and Jeni West

August 9, 2003

WD

Lorien Dell's Hansel the Sumo
owned by Lynn & George Wood & Gayle & Stan Brooks

RWD

Prairiefire's Charismatic v Ay
owned by Sharon Johnson, Kay Englert & Ned Aldrich

WB/BW/BOS

Northwoods Dee-O-Gee
owned by Mary Richards, Travis Clark, & Jessica Jay

BB
CH Ochsnerhofs Gressel Jodel, "Jodel"
owned by Heidi-Ochsner Mugler

Greeley Kennel Club

August 16, 2003

WD / BW

Lorien Dell's Hansel the Sumo,
owned by Lynn & George Wood & Gayle & Stan Brooks

RWD

Prairiefire's Charismatic v Ay,
owned by Sharon Johnson, Kay Englert & Ned Aldrich

WB/BOS

Lorien Dell's Prairie Dawn,
owned by Lynn and George Wood

August 17, 2003

WD / BW

Lorien Dell's Hansel the Sumo
owned by Lynn & George Wood & Gayle & Stan Brooks

RWD

Prairiefire's Charismatic v Ay,
owned by Sharon Johnson, Kay Englert & Ned Aldrich

WB/BOS

Northwoods Dee-O-Gee,
owned by Mary Richards, Travis Clark, & Jessica Jay

RWB

Lorien Dell's Prairie Dawn,
owned by Lynn and George Wood

Brush Prairie Circuit, Portland, OR

July 12, 2003

BB

CH Ochsnerhofs Gressel Jodel, "Jodel"
owned by Heidi-Ochsner Mugler

July 13, 2003

BB

CH Ochsnerhofs Gressel Jodel, "Jodel"
owned by Heidi-Ochsner Mugler

July 14, 2003

BB

CH Ochsnerhofs Gressel Jodel, "Jodel"
owned by Heidi-Ochsner Mugler

Cheyenne Kennel Club, Cheyenne, WY

August 30, 2003

BB

CH Ochsnerhofs Gressel Jodel, "Jodel"
owned by Heidi Ochsner -Mugler

August 31, 2003

BB

CH Ochsnerhofs Gressel Jodel, "Jodel"
owned by Heidi Ochsner -Mugler

New Titles

CD awarded to CH Lorien Dell's Luthien Tinuviel, "Lu",
owned by George and Lynn Wood. Good work!

A new Champion - Wagontale's Ivanhoe, "Ivan", owned
by Stacy Temples. Only 18 months old!

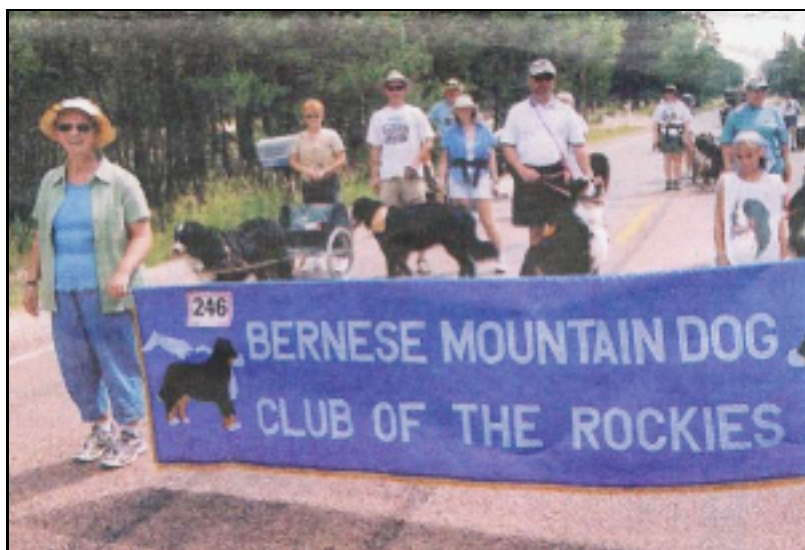
CGC and TDI awarded to CH Ochsnerhofs Gressel Jodel,
"Jodel", owned by Heidi Ochsner -Mugler. Heidi says
these two titles are the ones she is most proud of earning
with Jodel!

Congratulations!!!

Berner Noel

The Berner Noel has been scheduled. . .
Dec. 7th at Laura Haupenthal and Alvin Beer's
house in Greenwood Village.

More details in next newsletter.



**The Bernese Mountain Dog Club won Best Animal
entry in the Black Forest Festival Parade.**

**Photo courtesy of the Black Forest News & Palmer
Divide Pioneer.**

Membership Report - September 2003

— Stacy Temples —

These are the new Sustaining member applicants to the BMDCR:

Judy Butenas
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We are fortunate that Judy has moved to Colorado in her retirement. She is a longtime breeder of Bernese Mountain Dogs who has been a national club member since 1980. She has shown her dogs in conformation for 25 years and she has raised 23 litters of Bernese during this time with her kennel name of Adlerhorst. She is interested in health issues, obedience, conformation, breeding, agility, draft and therapy work. She wants to get involved with the BMDCR to share information and to participate in activities. She is willing to volunteer to help with anything. Currently she has 3 Berners. Owl Canyon Penny V AH B'liebe, (F, 5/4/92) bred by Christina Ohlsen; Ruby Cordelia v Adlerhorst, CD, (F,11/1/97), bred by herself and Ohlsen and Sunnybrook Chutzi Adlerhorst, (F,5/27/97).

Linda Ferre
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Salt Lake City, UT 84124
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Linda is interested in agility and obedience and she wants to join the BMDCR to promote, and encourage good breeding practices. She has Blumoon's Magnolia My Wuv, (F, 9/29/02) bred by Christine Mann and she has trained her dog in obedience for 9 months. She has owned an Alaskan Malamute and mixed breeds in the past.

Lydia McNeese
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Lydia is interested in health issues, search & rescue, therapy work and backpacking. She owns Mahkah, (M, 9/27/01) bred by Darla Hersh and BARC's Sienna, (F). She wants to learn more about the breed and to meet other Berner owners. She can write letters, do e-mail and web pages for the club. She owned Labs and mixed breeds in the past. She trains her dogs in Obedience.

Lauren Bursell
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Lauren owns Sydney (F, 7/19/02) from Samson DeHeicopper and Sita DeHeicopper bred by Debbie Goff. She is interested in health issues, obedience, breeding, and therapy work. She wants to learn more about her dog ad to meet people with the same interests. She can participate in events and help organize and help promote the breed. She has trained her dog in obedience and she does not show her dogs. In the past she bred 2 litters of English Springer Spaniels.

Chris & Jennifer McManus
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Chris and Jennifer own Summit's Keeper of the Stars (Cosmo), (M,4/17/02), bred by S. Dunaway. They are interested in backpacking and they do obedience training with

their dog. They want to meet other owners, and exchange Bernese information and to find play pals for Cosmo. They are willing to volunteer for activities and have only owned a Bernese.

There was not a meeting so therefore no voting on members at the Bernerfiesta or the Berner campout so the following people listed in the July/August 2003 Messenger will also be voted on.

For Sustaining membership:
Jason & Stacey Bearden, Gayle Brooks, Kate Errett, Haley Hayes, Kerri Nielsen, and Jeffrey Rubeck.

For Voting Membership:
Angela Hanson

Directory Updates:
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Deadline:

Submissions for the
next newsletter are
due Oct. 20, 2003!



This is Patti and her greeting committee. The picture was taken on Sep. 13, 2003 after she summited Pikes Peak. The greeters were Davieau's Wildman (Simon) and owners Tobey Pitchford & Jane Sorrick. It took her 10 1/2 hours to hike to the top!!

BMDCR Club Information

Meetings

The Bernese Mountain Dog Club of the Rockies holds regular meetings on the fourth Sunday of January, March, September and November, unless members are otherwise notified. There is an educational program followed by a business meeting. All programs begin at 2:00 p.m., and the business meeting about an hour later. Location of meetings will be announced each newsletter. Do not bring dogs to these meetings.

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. Please mark your calendars to reserve these dates for 2002. There may also be additional events – club-sponsored fun matches, club fund-raising activities, our supported entry or regional specialty, breeders showcases, or other all-breed events open to Berners – held at other times during the course of the year. You will be notified of these events through the newsletter.

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.

The newsletter is sent free of charge to all BMDCR members in good standing and to other regional Berner clubs that send us their newsletters. 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 OFA, GDC, 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.

At the September 22, 1991 general meeting, our club voted to follow the format used by the BMDCA for all Litter Box advertising in our newsletter. 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 GDC, OFA, OVC numbers for hips and elbows, including the letter rating and age in months at evaluation. The statement, 'elbows negative for dysplasia,' appearing on OFA certificates issued before institution of the OFA elbow registry, may be used." (October 1991 Alpenhorn) BMDCR Breeder Referral guidelines were modified by vote of the General members on November 18, 2001.

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.

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