



# Mountain Dog MESSENGER

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

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**Next Meeting will be held on Sunday, November 22 at 1:00 pm at Al Beers and Laura Haupenthal's at 103 Blue Heron Court, Greenwood Village**

From I-25 north or southbound: take the Belleview exit and exit to the west. Go past Quebec St and then past Holly St. Just past Holly St., go south on Fairfax Street (going west this is the next street after Holly) where you will see the sign for the Preserve; at the stop sign turn left on Blue Heron Drive. You will see the eagle statue and sign for Bateleur in the center of the street. Go one tenth of a mile past the following streets: Silver Fox Drive (on the right), Blue Heron Lane (on the left, at this point, Blue Heron Drive curves to the right), Blue Heron Circle (on the right twice), Golden Eagle (on the left). Blue Heron Court is the next street on the right. #103 is at the end of the cul-de-sac.

## **Board Meeting Minutes – September 19, 2010**

The regular meeting of the BMDCR Board of Directors was called to order at 12:10 pm on September 19, 2010 at the home of Drs. Al Beers and Laura Haupenthal in Greenwood Village.

**Present:** Board members Mary Ellen Guy, Laura Haupenthal, Helen Karl, Sara Karl, and Lori Kennedy. Also Al Beers, Randy Karl, Sharon Keefer, and Dottie Schulte. Vice President Mary Ellen Guy presided.

**Approval of Minutes:** Minutes of the previous meeting as July/August 2010 newsletter were approved.

**Treasurer's Report:** Sara Karl is the Treasurer of the BMDCR and has been for 8 years. Sara reported positive balances in the club's checking, savings, and rescue accounts. Figures from the Specialty on September 10, 2010 are not final yet.

### **Unfinished Business:**

Election: The slate of candidates for President, Treasurer, and Board positions will be published in the September/October newsletter, prior to voting at the November meeting.

### **New Business:**

Caroling at Aspen Grove: After a successful holiday event of caroling and carting with our dogs at Aspen Grove last year, Aspen Grove has asked us back again this year. Lou Tucker is coordinating this event which will be on December 5, 2010.

Holiday Rescue Fundraiser at Tagawa Gardens: BMDCR was selected to participate in a fundraising event for canine rescue groups, to be held at Tagawa Gardens in Aurora on November 6 and 7<sup>th</sup>. The event is called "Holiday Gifts for Pets and Their People". We will participate with our draft dogs and carts. Sharon Keefer is coordinating BMDCR's participation. Please contact her to volunteer.

Spring 2011 Draft Test: To apply to BMDCA to hold a Spring Draft Test, we need volunteers for draft test chairman and secretary soon. The first weekend in May was discussed as a possible date. Sara Karl volunteered to be Chairman, especially if Fox Run is the site selected. Anyone interested in serving as Secretary should contact Pam Solomon and Sara Karl.

All-Breed Obedience at 2011 Specialty: Dottie Schulte reported that, as Show Chairman, she has been asked by the Rottweiler Club if we would consider combining efforts at our next Specialties to offer All-Breed Obedience instead of our separate breed specialty obedience trials. Discussion raised questions about AKC requirements, potential time conflicts, and other clubs' interest. Dottie will check with AKC to see if this would have to be all breeds or perhaps just working breeds; discuss this option also with the Doberman club; and how to present a planning reminder to entrants in the Premium List about possible overlaps in Obedience and Conformation ring times. Sara Karl moved that the Board approve an All-Breed Obedience Trial at our 2011 Specialty, in concept, and per Dottie's findings. Helen Karl seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Newsletter: Sharon Keefer asked that the Club reconsider requirements and expectations of the current club newsletter, stating format, electronic transmission, and brief content issues. Discussion included that of unclear new expectations at the January, 2010 club meeting, technical problems, and the possibility that the current newsletter editor (as others have in the past) could use

additional help with producing the newsletter. Dottie volunteered to talk to editor Candy McDanal about how the club can help her.

Next Meeting: The November 21<sup>st</sup> meeting will be held again at the home of Laura Hauptenthal and Al Beers.

**Adjournment:** The Board Meeting was adjourned at 12:41 pm.

## **General Meeting Minutes**

The regular meeting of the BMDCR membership was called to order at 1:04 pm on September 29, 2010 at the home of members Drs. Al Beers and Laura Hauptenthal in Greenwood Village.

**Present:** 11 voting members (a quorum) and 1 guest. Member Sharon Keefer presided.

**Approval of Minutes:** Lori Kennedy moved to approve the minutes of the July meeting as published in the July/August 2010 newsletter. Helen Karl seconded the motion. Motion passed.

## **Committee Reports:**

Rescue Committee: Phil Shaffer reported that 18 Berners have gone through the BMDCR Rescue program this year so far, plus 1 expected tomorrow. The committee is working on a solution to avoid repeat of a recent situation where the surrendering party had to keep the dog until a placement was decided.

A BMD was recently surrendered to a Banfield Veterinary Clinic because the owners could not afford treatment for an intussusceptions; the clinic performed surgery but the dog did not survive. BMDCR Rescue was contacted to see if a donation toward the cost could be made. Since this situation is within the parameters of our Rescue program, individuals who would like to donate may contact Patti Davieau for the address of the Banfield Clinic.

Phil also reported on a recent legal issue the Committee was involved in where an owner left a BMD in the care of a petsitter and did not return. Animal Control was contacted for investigation. The BMD was released to foster care and now adoption through the BMDCR Rescue Program. The club thanks Jacqueline Schuck for financial assistance with legal costs in this situation.

Foster homes are needed for rescued dogs. To volunteer contact Ann Rutherford, and/or see information on the club website, [www.bmdcr.org](http://www.bmdcr.org).

## **Unfinished Business:**

Fall Draft Test: Fall Draft Test Secretary Joanna Hughes reported that trophy donations and stewards are still needed. So far, 14 dogs have entered for the Test on Saturday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 17 on Sunday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>.

2010 Independent Specialty: Show Chairman Dottie Schulte reported that we had about 130 entries at our September 10<sup>th</sup> show, with great participation in the dinner reception, and great fundraising with the raffle and Ways and Means (over \$3,000 gross profit).

2013 National Specialty in Colorado: 2013 National Specialty Show Chairman Dottie Schulte reported that BMDCA has completed negotiations and signed a contract with the host hotel. The agreement included perks such as a \$2,000 donation to a chosen Rescue program. The contract with the show site (adjacent to the host hotel) is in progress. Daytime events will be held at the show site and evening events at the host hotel.

Dottie is collecting cost and effort information to present to the Club in order to revisit the possibility of holding BMDCR's 2013 Independent Specialty on the day after the National Specialty (second week of May, 2013).

## **New Business:**

New Members: Sustaining member applicants Bert & Lisa Fukuda were approved.

Officer/Director Candidates for November Election: The slate of candidates for President, Treasurer, and new Board members will be published in the newsletter prior to voting at the November club meeting. A call for additional nominations did not yield any additional candidates.

Berner Noel and Caroling at Aspen Grove: Lou and Bob Tucker will host Berner Noel at their home in Littleton following caroling with draft dogs at Aspen Grove on December 5<sup>th</sup>. Caroling will be at 11 to 12:30 and Berner Noel will be from 1:00 to 3:30 pm. Watch for further information about these events.

Rescue Fundraiser at Tagawa Gardens: See report from Sharon Keefer about this upcoming event on November 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> in the Board Meeting Minutes.

Spring 2011 Draft Test: See report in Board Meeting Minutes.

Next Meeting: The November 21<sup>st</sup> meeting will be held again at the home of Laura Hauptenthal and Al Beers.

**Adjournment:** The General Membership Meeting was adjourned at 1:59 pm. Thank you to Al, Laura, Kismet and Dillon for hosting our meetings again.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Sharon Keefer.

## **SHOW NEWS by Lou Tucker**

### **\*Greeley Kennel Club\* 8/21/2010**

RWD - Kinvarra's Dancemaster Owners – Patricia Hughes and N. Hughes

SEL – CH Hired Gun From Zanebern CD, NAJ Owners – Valerie Horney & Lisa Ebnet

Junior Showmanship-Novice Intermediate Lena Marquardt & Summit's I'm a Believer V Joyful Owners –

3rd Place Louise Tucker & Lena Marquardt

### **\*Greeley Kennel Club\* 8/22/2010**

WD/BW NEW CHAMPION Kinvara's Dancemaster Owners – Pat Hughes & N. Hughes

RWB – Mountainair's Soul Blue Sapphire Owner – Darcy Babb

SEL – CH Nashem's He's The Man of Woodmoor CD – Owners – Sara & Randy Karl

**Junior Showmanship** Nov. Int. 2nd Place Lena Marquardt & Summit's I'm A Believer V Joyful (Cassie)

### **\*Evergreen Kennel Club\* 9/11/2010**

WD/BW Milagro Summit's Fly Me to The Moon Owners – Sandy Dunaway & Ann & Bill Daily

RWD – SwissKiss Love Walks In – Owners- Beverly & Michael Hilmes & M.Knowles,G.Hube

WB – Sapphire N Nashem Double Dare Ya Owners-Sara & Helen Karl & Carol Arbuthnot

RWB – Prairefire's Happy As A Lark Owners – Sharon Johnson

Junior Showmanship

Novice Intermediate 1st Place Lena Marquardt & Summit's I'm A Believer V Joyful (Cassie)

### **\*Evergreen Kennel Club\* 9/12/2010**

RWD – Prairefire's Music of The Night Owners – Becky & Bob Shurris & Sharon Johnson

### **\*Intermountain West Working Group\* 9/16/2010**

BSS/G2 - Wagontales WhoDunnit (Watson) Owners – Pam & Barry Solomon & Stacy Temples

## Regular Classes

RWD – Wagontales WhoDunnit (Watson) Owners – Pam & Barry Solomon & Stacy Temples

WB/OS – Brisago Aurora Borealis at Wagontale Owners – Stacy Temples & Howard Ramsdell

RWB – Wagontales Pachelbelles Canon Owners – Stacy temples & Howard Ramsdell

SEL – CH LorienDell's Sword of Elendil (Narsil) Owners – Kim & Joe Giannoni

**\*Intermountain West Working Group\* 9/17//2010**

WD/BW/BBY/G3 – Wagontales WhoDunnit Owners- Pam & Barry Solomon & Stacy Temples

WB/OS - Brisago Aurora Borealis at Wagontale Owners – Stacy Temples & H. Ramsdell

RWB – Wagontales Pachbells Canon Owners – Stacy Temples & H. Ramsdell

SEL –CH LorienDell's Sword of Elendil (Narsil) Owners – Kim & Joe Giannoni

### **\*Bonneville Basin Kennel Association\* 9/18/2010**

WD/BW/BBY – Wagontales WhoDunnit Owners – Pam & Barry Solomon & Stacy Temples

RWB – Brisago Aurora Borealis at Wagontale Owners – Stacy Temples & Howard Ramsdell

BB – LorienDell's Sword of Elendil (Narsil) Owners – Kim & Joe Giannoni

**\*Bonneville Basin Kennel Association\* 9/19/2010**

WD/BW – Wagontales WhoDunnit (Watson) Owners – Pam & Barry Solomon & S. Temples

RWB – Brisago Aurora Borealis at Wagontale - Owners – Stacy Temples & Howard Ramsdell

BOS – CH LorienDell's Sword of Elendil (Narsil) Owners – Kim & Joe Giannoni

### **\*Arapahoe Kennel Club\* 9/25/2010**

WD/BW – Prairefire's the Song Remains The Same Owner – Sharon Johnson

RWD – Prairefire's Music of The Night Owners – Becky & Bib Shurris & Sharon Johnson

WB – Brisago Aurora Borealis at Wagontale - Owners – Stacy Temples & Howard Ramsdell

BB – CH Springs Woodland Moose CD RN (Moose) Owner – Nancy Fuselier DVM

BOS – CH Prairefire’s Shutter Bug Owner – Sharon Johnson

SEL – CH Prairefires Worth My Weight In Gold Owners – Christine Lancaster & Sharon Johnson

Junior Showmanship

Open Intermediate 4th Place Bailey Lancaster & CH Prairefires Worth My Weight in Gold

\*Arapahoe Kennel Club\* 9/26/2010

WD/BW - Miab’s Polar Express Owners – Jeanne Schoech & Kerri Kent

RWD - Prairefire’s The Song Remains The Same Owner - Sharon Johnson

WB – Brisago Aurora Borealis at Wagontale Owners – Stacy Temples & Howard Ramsdell

BB – Ch Springs Woodland Moose CD RN Owner – Nancy Fuselier DVM

BOS – CH Prairefire’s Shutter Bug Owner – Sharon Johnson

Junior Showmanship / Open Intermediate

2nd Place Bailey Lancaster & CH Prairefire’s Worth My Weight In Gold

3rd Place Lena Marquardt & Summit’s I’m A Believer V Joyful

4th Place Mary Bugg & CH Mardi Gras Ruby Slippers RN

**\*Grand Valley Kennel Club\* 10/02/2010**

RWB/BBY/G4 Springs Straight From The Heart RN Owner - Nancy Fuselier DVM

Junior Showmanship / Open Intermediate

1st Place Mary Bugg & Ch Mardi Gras Ruby Slippers RN

**\*Grand Valley Kennel Club\* 10/03/2010**

Junior Showmanship / Open Intermediate

1st Place Mary Bugg & Ch Mardi Gras Ruby Slippers RN CONGRATULATIONS !Mary has qualified for EUKANUBA .....

**\*Wichita Kennel Club\* 10/01/2010**

WD/BB Milagro Summits Fly Me To The Moon Owners – Sandy Dunaway & Ann & Bill Daily

\*Hutchinson Kennel Club\* 10/02/2010

WD/BW/BB - Milagro Summits Fly Me To The Moon

**\*Salina Kennel Club\* 10/03/2010**

WD/BW/BB - Milagro Summits Fly Me To The Moon

PERFORMANCE WINS

8/21/2010 Greeley Kennel Club Rally Excellent B

Dashing To The Rescue (Dash) score 86 Owned by Alice Gordon & Steve Clark

8/22/2010 Greeley Kennel Club Rally Excellent B

Dashing To The Rescue (Dash) score 91

8/22/2010 Greeley Kennel Club Rally Excellent A

Wagontale's Radiant Camber (Camber) score 77 3rd Place New Title Owned by Alice & Steve Clark

9/10/2010 BMDCR Regional Specialty Rally Excellent B

Dashing To The Rescue (Dash) score 88 New Title

9/10/2010 BMDCR Regional Specialty Rally Advanced A

Mountaineer's Lima Bean (Wellington) score 85 1st Place Owned by Beth Dennehy

Beginner Novice A (Wellington) score 195.5 First Place, First Leg

9/11/2010 Evergreen Kennel Club

Rally Excellent A (Wellington) score 70 Third Place, First Leg

8/14/2010 Canine Good Citizens Test Pine Valley Ranch Park

Summit's I'm A Believer V Joyful (Cassie) New CGC Title Owners – Lou Tucker & Lena M.

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL THE WINNERS OF THE 2010 BMDCR SPECIALTY !

A complete list of wins, placements and entrants is posted on the BMDCR website.

BMDC ROCKIES DRAFT TEST RESULTS 10/02/2010

\* OPEN DRAFT DOG

#101 Wildhaven's Schara Gambit CD, RAE4, CS, C1,CX,TT,DD,D1 Rottweiler (Shara) Owner:  
Ellen O'Connell

\* NOVICE BRACE DRAFT DOG

#103 CH Brighteye Angel Fire CDX, RE ,DD BMD (Angie)

Brighteye Wilani Sweetest Tabu RN (Zeta) Owners - Stephanie Biksacky &

Deborah Hotze

#120 CH Ebnet's Hired Gun From Zanzebern MDD, MBDD, NDD, NAP, BNDD

(Marshall) Owners : Valerie Horney & Lisa Ebnet

CH Wagontale's Sing Me A Miracle CD, RE, DD, (Smokey)

Owners- Barry & Pam Solomon & Stacy Temples

DRAFT TEST RESULTS 10/03/2010

\* OPEN DRAFT DOG

#222 Brave heart's Toy Story (Buzz) Samoyed Owners : Jeanne Stanwood & Mary Lloyd

#Alt1 Wildhaven's Schara Gambit Owner – Ellen O'Connell New Master Draft Dog

\* NOVICE BRACE DRAFT DOG

#206 CH Brighteye Angel Fire (Angie) Owners – Stephanie Biksacky & D. Hotze

Brighteye R Questa Win NA, NAP, NAJ, NDD (Questa) Owners – Elaine Witulski

& D. Hotze

\*NOVICE DRAFT DOG

#201 Nashem's Sweet Talking Man RD, CD (Omar) Owners – Vicky Hall & Sara Karl

#203 Dashing To The Rescue CD, NDD, RE (Dash) Owners-Alice Gordon & Steve Clark

#208 Starlight's Bright Nighttime Star (Kitley) Owners – Angela & Kirk Hanson

#216 Kennedy's Murren RN, NDD (Murrey) Owner – Lori Kennedy

#218 Starlight's Shining Star (Sam) Owners – Angela & Kirk Hanson

#219 Mountainair's Lima Bean (Wellington) Owners-Elisabeth Dennehy, Wm Rogers & Darcy Babb

Please welcome our new Sustaining members whose membership was approved at the September 2010 meeting.

Bert & Lisa Fukuda, 22366 E. Hidden Trail Drive, Parker, Colorado 80138. Ph. (303) 600-5472, E-mail: b.fukuda@mac.com, lisa.fukuda@comcast.net.

### **New Sustaining member applicants:**

Penny Turilli, 2960A Manns Ranch Rd., Vail, Colorado, 81657. Ph.(970) 476-4334. E-mail: pbrabb@aol.com

Penny has Swiss Stars Skip to my Lou (F, 2/14/2006) from Jody Cousins and Bobbi Hefner and her puppy from Nashem's He's the Man of Woodmoor, named Black Bear Dancing Through the Snow (M). She wants to learn more about BMD's and is interested in obedience and conformation and breeding. She has also had a Husky in the past. She has had 2 litters with her female. She has never been a dog club member or officer and she has never been a handler. Her sponsors are Dottie Schulte and Sara Karl.

### **Volunteers Needed for Rescue Fundraising Event**

BMDCR has been selected as one of the dog breed rescue groups to participate in this year's "Holiday Gifts for Pets and their People" event. This event is a craft fair and pet event held at Tagawa Gardens on November 6th and 7th for the sole purpose of raising funds for area breed rescue groups. BMDCR will participate with our draft dogs by giving cart rides to small children and carrying packages out to cars. To volunteer, please contact Sharon Keefer by e-mail at joyfulbmd@skybeam.com or by phone at 303-621-2217.

**HOLIDAY CAROLING At Aspen Grove Shopping Center  
Sunday, December 5<sup>th</sup> from 11:00 - 12:30**

**BERNER NOEL >To Follow : 1:00 - 3:30, At the  
Tuckers 7155 W. Montview Ln, Littleton 80125**

**Details Coming Soon**

Berner Haiku II

Brown eyes, heavy lids,

His head resting on my lap,

Content in my love.

I call your name but  
You don't come - I see only  
Your cremation urn.

Intent puppy gaze  
A new-life experience -  
Flitting butterfly!

I reach in the dark  
Feeling fur, gentle breathing,  
No longer afraid.

Stiff-legged, eyes afire...  
Tail-flick, tail-flick, "Ch! Ch! Ch!" -  
"I'll get you, squirrel!"

No recall enough  
Off like a bolt, lightning-fast -  
The cat is sighted!

Seven sacks of hair  
What a time to blow her coat  
...Dog show tomorrow.                      Submitted by Ron Abbott

## Attention all pets!

Leash up and bring your people  
to the fourth annual



# Holiday Gifts for Pets and Their People

craft fair and pet event\*

**November 6 & 7, 2010**

**10:00 am – 3:00 pm**

**Tagawa Gardens**

**7711 S. Parker Rd. Centennial, CO 80016**

## Featuring

- 🐾 FREE Admission & Parking
- 🐾 Dancing Dogs performance
- 🐾 Pet pictures with Santa
- 🐾 Kiddy cart rides

- 🐾 Shopping with local artisans
- 🐾 Low cost Micro-chipping
- 🐾 Holistic Health for Pets
- 🐾 Hawkquest

- 🐾 Raffle Prizes
- 🐾 Caricatures
- 🐾 A Bake Sale
- 🐾 and MORE!

## Benefiting

Colorado Animal Rescue Organizations

Cash and Checks will be accepted by vendors throughout this event

\*Well-behaved pets welcome on leashes or in carriers (at their owner's risk)

\*\* Donate items for the Pet Supplies Drive (see "Wish Lists-Raffle" on our web site) to enter the raffle

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