



Grand Canyon State BMD Club
33rd Annual
Parks In The Pines Bernerfest
October 1 & 2, 2022

Join us for some Berner fun at Arizona's 33rd Bernerfest featuring fun, food, educational hands-on programs, and games with your favorite Berner companions. This year we are trying something new with a two-day format for those who do not have to work on Monday and can stay up in the area to avoid the Sunday traffic jam driving back to Phoenix and leave Monday morning instead. For those who want to leave after lunch on Sunday, we will also have a burger and hot dog bar to entice people to stick around for the morning activities. Thanks to Denise Dean for again sharing her property for this event.

Schedule of Events:

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1

- 10:00 am Come early if you would like to try herding with your BMD. Mary and Stu have volunteered to let you try it with their sheep next door. Cost is \$20 per run. Please contact **stu_tuttle@msn.com** for more information and to reserve your spot.
- 12:00 pm Bernerfest starts with Games with your Berner, please bring your own lunch.
- 2:00pm Introduction to Performance Dog Sports – **Agility Basics, Practice, and Coaching for ALL Levels.** Ken Neubauer has agreed to facilitate this activity, which will be held in Denise's fenced in area to allow the other Berners to play freely and is intended for high energy Berners and owners looking for ways to help manage their energy levels, compete in performance dog sports and triathlete challenges, and/or earn versatility titles. If you plan on participating, please bring your Berner's favorite treats/snacks and/or a favorite "smaller" toy if they are more play than treat/snack motivated. **Please contact Al Sanders at azbernerlvr@gmail.com if you have Agility handling and/or teaching experience and are interested in helping coach and mentor other participants as they cycle in and out of the course for this activity*.**
- 5:00 pm Barbecue dinner at Denise's house followed by GCSBMDC General Meeting and an evening of visiting. Please bring your own wine if you would like an adult beverage with dinner.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2

- 9:00 am Coffee and Breakfast Snacks will be Provided.
- 9:30 am Introduction to Performance Dog Sports – **Rally Basics, Practice, and Coaching for ALL Levels.** Ken Neubauer has agreed to facilitate this activity, which will be held on the Draft field, and is intended as a "fun way" to teach obedience and establish improved connections with your Berners, compete in performance dog sports and triathlete challenges, and/or earn Versatility and various level Rally titles. If you plan on participating, please bring your Berner's favorite treats/snacks and/or a favorite "smaller" toy if they are more play than treat/snack motivated. **Please contact Al Sanders at azbernerlvr@gmail.com if you have Rally handling and/or teaching experience and are interested in helping coach and mentor other participants as they cycle in and out of the course for this activity*.**
- 12:00 pm Burger and Hot Dog Bar (see attached menu).
- 1:00pm Cathy Gushulak (AKC Evaluator) will be available for AKC Title testing: CGC, CGCA, Trick Dog Novice, and Trick Dog Intermediate. Cost is \$15 per test. 100% of proceeds will go to the Grand Canyon State Bernese Mountain Dog Club. Please contact Cathy at **gr8k9mom@gmail.com** or **805.320.5900** to schedule testing.
- 3:00pm More visiting, games, and catching up for those who are staying overnight.
- 5:00pm Dinner for those who decide to stay – TBD Restaurant in Williams.

Dr. Al's Gourmet Burger and Hot Dog Bar

Burgers

- **Green Chile and Bacon Burger:** Grilled burger topped with mild whole grilled green chiles, bacon, and Monterey jack cheese
- **Sauteed Mushroom and Onion Burger:** Grilled burger topped with sauteed mushrooms, sauteed onions, and Swiss cheese
- **Chili Cheese Burger:** Grilled burger topped with chili sauce and cheddar cheese with diced raw onions optional
- **Build Your Own Frankenstein Burger:** Choose your unique combination of any of the ingredients listed in the above burgers and/or choose your classic cheese, mustard, ketchup, onion, dill pickle, lettuce, and tomato combination your way

Hot Dogs

- **Chicago Style Dog :** Grilled hot dog topped with yellow mustard, chopped white onions, dill pickles, tomato slices, neon green Chicago-style relish, hot sport peppers, and a dash of celery salt
- **Cincinnati Style Coney Dog:** Grilled hot dog topped with a mild Mediterranean-spiced finely ground meat sauce developed by immigrant restaurateurs in the 1920s, a heap of grated cheddar cheese, and diced white onions
- **California Style BLT Dog:** Grilled hot dog topped with a strip of crispy bacon, diced tomatoes, shredded lettuce, and mayonnaise
- **Build Your Own Frankenstein Dog:** Choose your unique combination of any of the ingredients listed in the above hot dogs and/or choose your classic mustard, ketchup onion, and relish combination your way

NOTE: Specialty burgers are limited to ingredients available on a first come first serve basis. Please indicate your preferences from the list below so we can get an idea of which ones Bernerfest attendees are leaning towards when you mail in your RSVP form so we can shop accordingly and revise/update the menu choices based on popularity.

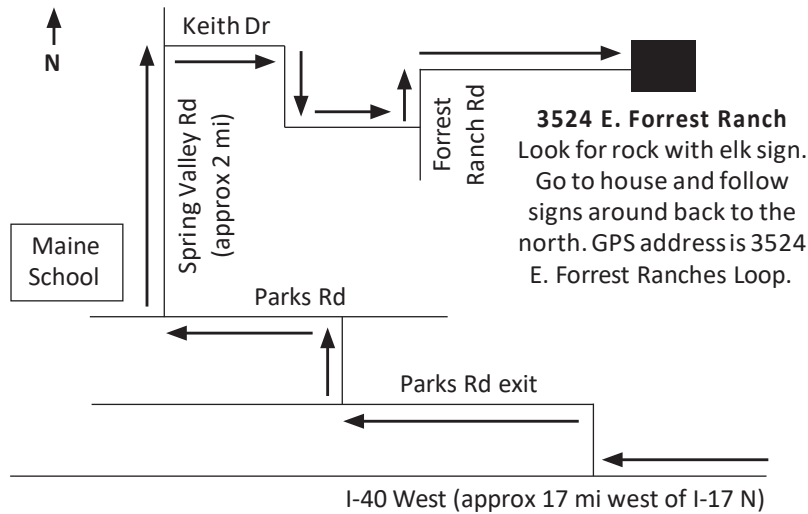
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- **Mail Your Top Choices/Preferences along with the RSVP and Check by September 15, 2022.**



COST

Adults: \$ \$40 ea. or \$ \$25 for one day, Children 12 & under: \$15 ea. Includes people snacks for both days, Saturday dinner, and Sunday coffee and lunch. Please fill out the form below so we will know how many to plan for.

WHAT TO BRING

Beverages, chairs, flashlight, warm clothing, water for your dog(s), snack/treats for your dog if you will be participating in the performance dog sports activities, beverages, chairs, flashlight, warm clothing, water for your dog(s), camping gear if you wish to camp on the site Friday, Saturday and/or Sunday night, and your Berner(s). There will be a port-a-john on site. If you wish to stay at a motel or need other information, contact **Denise at 626-241-6733** or **dean7044@gmail.com**

► Mail RSVP with Check by September 15, 2022.

YES, I want to attend the 33rd Annual Bernerfest in Parks, Arizona. Here is my list of those attending (attach extra sheet if needed).



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of adults @ \$40: _____ + # of adults @ \$25(one day only): _____ + # of kids @ \$15: _____

= Total \$ _____

► Make checks payable to GCSBMDC and mail to: Denise Dean, P.O. Box 50517, Parks, AZ 86018 by September 15, 2022.

I will be camping at the site: ☐ Yes ☐ No