

2017 PLANNING BOOKLET

The Bernese Mountain Dog Club of America

42nd Annual National Specialty Show

2017 National Specialty Show

Agility, Conformation w/NOHS, Draft, Futurity, Generations Showcase, Herding,
Junior Showmanship, Obedience, Parades, Rally Obedience, Sweepstakes, Top 20 Gala, Tracking,
Versatility Showcase, Veteran Sweepstakes, and Veterans
(Unbenched)

HOSTED BY

*The Bernese Mountain Dog Club of America, Inc.,
Bernese Mountain Dog Club of Greater Seattle,
Bernese Mountain Dog Club of Oregon,
Bernese Mountain Dog Club of Alaska, and
Inland Northwest Bernese Mountain Dog Club*



Monday, April 24th to Saturday, April 29th

HOST HOTEL

Holiday Inn Portland Airport
8439 NE Columbia Blvd
Portland, Oregon 97220
(503) 256-5000

EVENTS TO TAKE PLACE INDOORS AT

Holiday Inn Portland Airport
unless otherwise noted

www.bmdca.org/specialty/2017

WELCOME

On behalf of the entire specialty committee, we welcome you to the 2017 BMDCA National Specialty in the beautiful city of Portland, Oregon. From the Summit of Mount Hood to the Seas of the beautiful Columbia River and the great Pacific Ocean, Oregon's diverse land is heaven on earth for our wonderful breed.

We have put together what we believe is an amazing schedule of events, with something for every Berner lover. You can participate in all kinds of conformation and performance events. You can watch our Berners demonstrate their individual talents at our three draft tests as well as in our obedience, rally obedience, agility, tracking, and herding trials; or you can enjoy watching our promising up and comers in puppy sweepstakes and futurity, our heartwarming veterans in the veteran sweeps and classes, or Berners of all ages competing for the prestigious Best of Breed in conformation. Literally something for everyone to enjoy!

In addition, you can take advantage of the broad array of classes scheduled at the Berner University, and take a stroll around the welcoming shopping booths in the host hotel conference center. If that is not enough, then ride the hotel shuttle to a large shopping complex at the Cascade Station adjacent to the Portland International Airport minutes away. With a car you can travel into downtown Portland for its eclectic shops and superior restaurants.

As to event locations, this year the draft tests and agility trial will take place at Delta Park, a short drive from the host hotel. Herding will take place at Brigand's Hide-Out in Battle Ground, Washington. The tracking test will be at Frenchman's Bar in Vancouver, Washington. All conformation events will be held in the Conference Center at the host hotel. Finally, the Obedience and Rally Obedience events will take place in the ballroom at the host hotel. This is April in Oregon so plan on cool, berner-comfortable weather and possibly rain and possibly sunshine. So prepare for it all. If you forget anything, the 2017 Summit to Sea Mercantile will be more than willing to help you out.

The Specialty Show Committee has worked hard to plan for a fun, interesting, and unique national specialty. We have concentrated on all the little details that we hope will make your trip relaxing and memorable. So whether this is your first specialty or your 42nd, we are looking forward to hosting the BMDCA and all of our guests. Look for all the events planned here, including for the first time in a number of years the Generations Showcase!

We all hope this year provides you many special memories. Safe travels and we look forward to seeing everyone at the Summit to the Sea in April.

Linda Dalton

BMDCA 2017 National Specialty Chair

DISTINGUISHED PANEL OF JUDGES

Conformation

Best of Breed (Intersex), Regular & Non-Regular Dog Classes, and Stud Dog: Ms. Joelle Bardet

Regular & Non-Regular Bitch Classes, Brace, Team, and Brood Bitch: Ms. Libby E. Kesner

Junior Showmanship: Mr. David Krogh

Futurity: Ms. Sindi Leo

Sweepstakes & Veteran Sweepstakes: Ms. Sandy Dunaway

Versatility Showcase: Ms. Susan Henderson

Generations Showcase: Ms. Joanne Prellberg

Performance

Agility: Ms. Paula Ratoza

Drafting Test #1: Mr. Phil Chagnon & Mr. Jim Maxwell

Drafting Test #2: Mr. Larry Bohlig & Mr. Jim Maxwell

Drafting Test #3: Mr. Phil Chagnon & Ms. Barb Gibson

Herding: Ms. Mary Peaslee & Mr. Ron Fischer

Obedience Trial: Mr. Michael Calhoun & Mr. Bruce Fraser

Rally Obedience Trial: Mr. Michael Calhoun & Ms. Theresa Temple

Tracking: Mr. Roy Fair & Ms. Judy Stromquist

TRAVEL INFORMATION

From the North & South: From Interstate 5 follow signs to Interstate 205. Off Interstate 205, take Exit 23B. Follow NE Killingsworth St and NE Columbia Pkwy N Blvd to NE Columbia Blvd. Hotel is on the north side of street.

Suggested Airports:

Portland (PDX) - 2 miles, approximately 4 minutes drive to host hotel

Seattle (SEA) - 164 miles, approximately 2 hours and 40 minutes drive to host hotel

All suggested airports have rental car facilities. In addition, hotel shuttle service will be available to and from the PDX airport to the host hotel. If you wish to coordinate travel plans to the show site with others, check out the 2017 BMDCA Specialty Corkboard on Facebook.

(<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1627121464285182/>)

ACCOMMODATIONS

HOST HOTEL

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Our host hotel, the Holiday Inn Portland Airport, is located only 2 miles from the airport and only 10 miles from downtown Portland. It has been the site of multiple national breed specialties. The hotel has free shuttle service to and from the airport, as well as to the Cascade Station shopping center, which has many shopping and dining options. All meeting and banquet spaces, as well as the conference center have been booked exclusively for our event. In addition to being pet friendly, there is an indoor pool and fitness center, free Wi-Fi, two complimentary breakfasts with each guest room, and laundry service. There is a non-refundable pet fee of \$30 regardless of the length of stay and a maximum of 4 dogs allowed per room. For more information on the host hotel, deposits/refunds, or host hotel policies please see the Specialty tab online at BMDCA.org.

Housekeeping & Guests with Dog(s):

Please note that dogs are not allowed on the 8th floor of the hotel, the pool room, and the restaurant. Also, there will be no dogs allowed into the Ballroom during the Annual Awards Banquet and Judges' Dinner.

Please keep in mind that it is becoming increasingly difficult to find properties suitable to host this event. We ask your cooperation in leaving all hotel rooms and other areas clean, neat, and tidy. Additionally, all guests are expected to be courteous to hotel staff and management. The show committee will be in daily contact with the housekeeping staff to monitor situations that require intervention. Exhibitors are expected to be responsible guests. Participants who do not comply with hotel rules will be required to vacate the premises immediately.

There shall be no saving of parking lot spaces at the host hotel and parking is not allowed in any fire lanes.

Rooms will be inspected daily by the housekeeping department for damages. A final inspection will be completed at time of check-out once all the guest's belongings are removed from the guestroom. If no person is in the room, dogs in a room are to be crated at all times. Plastic is required under all crates (and will be supplied along with a sheet for the bed). Dogs must be on a leash when walking around the hotel grounds and are not allowed in the pool area, near any food service, or the 8th floor. Bathing or grooming of dogs is PROHIBITED in guest rooms. Offenders are subject to eviction. The use of hotel towels for pets is prohibited and no grooming is allowed in any public areas inside the hotel.

Three dog bathing stations will be provided outside the conference center adjacent to the grooming spaces. No bathing products or towels will be provided.

ALTERNATIVE & OVERFLOW HOTELS

For alternative and overflow hotel information after March 1st, please contact Nancy Van Horne, Hotel Liaison, at nancy.vanhorne@gmail.com or by phone at (425) 444-0362

HOSPITALITY & CONCESSIONS

Two complimentary breakfasts are provided with each guest room. The hotel also offers breakfast options to purchase for those not staying at the host hotel. The hotel will provide concessions during the day at the conference center. Finally, the specialty committee has arranged for food trucks to be at the hotel site Tuesday through Saturday for another lunch option. You will be able to sign up for lunches at the off-site performance venues through the main registration form.

RV PARKING & CAMPING INFORMATION

The following RV parks are located near the host hotel.

Portland Fairview RV Park, 21401 NE Sandy Blvd, Fairview OR 97024, portlandfairviewrv.com, phone (877) 777-1049, 8.5 miles east of host hotel, and about 15 minutes drive. The park will accept BMDs and has a limit of two dogs per camper, unless otherwise negotiated directly with park management.

Jantzen Beach RV Park, 1503 N Hayden Island Dr, Portland OR 97217, jantzenbeachrv.com, phone (800) 443-7248, 7.4 miles west of host hotel, and about 15 minutes drive. The park normally has a two dog limit per camper, but the committee has confirmed that the park will waive that limit for our event.

Columbia River RV Park, 10649 NE 13th Ave, Portland OR 97211, columbiariverrv.com, phone (888) 366-7725, 5.7 miles west of the host hotel, and about 10 minutes drive. The park typically accepts only small dogs, unless otherwise negotiated directly with park management.

SHUTTLE SERVICE

Complimentary shuttle service will be provided by the host hotel to and from the Portland airport, as well as to and from the Cascade Station shopping and dining area.

CHECKLIST FOR IMPORTANT CLOSING DATES

March 8	Catalog Ad Submissions
March 11	Trophy Donations for Listing in Catalog Photo Contest Entries Mail In (Postmark) for Master Registration Form <i>(Name Tag & Welcome Bag, Photo Contest Submissions, Pre-Ordered Catalogs, Reserved Grooming, Receptions and Banquets, Rescue Gallery, Titleholders Parade, Veterans Parade, Health Clinics, Health Kits, Berner University, Juniors' Activities, etc.)</i>
March 18	Online Registration (<i>see above list</i>)
March 23	Final Deadline for Refund Requests for Master Registration Items
March 29	Entries Close ~ Agility, Conformation, Draft, Generations, Herding, Junior Showmanship, Obedience, Rally Obedience, Tracking, Versatility
April 15	BMDCA Judges Education Seminar Registrations
April 16	TriAthlete Challenge
Visit the Summit to Sea Mercantile! www.bmdca-store.com	

2017 SHOW COMMITTEE

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TENTATIVE SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

All events will be held at the host hotel and conference center unless otherwise noted.

SUNDAY, APRIL 23

BMDCA Board Meeting 8:00am
Vendor Move-In after 2:00pm
Registration in Hotel Lobby 3:00-8:00pm
Move-in Night Ruff'n It Bar & Grill 6:00-8:00pm
Grooming Area Opens 6:00pm

MONDAY, APRIL 24

Registration in Hotel Lobby 8:00am-8:00pm
Catalog Sales Open 10:00am
Vendors Open for Business 9:00am
Bernier University
Photo Contest
Rescue Gallery
Draft Test #1 at Delta Park East
Herding Tests #1 & #2 at Brigand's Hide Out
Tracking Tests at Frenchman's Bar Park
Move-in Night Ruff'n It Bar & Grill 6:00-8:00pm
Breeders Symposium—Keynote Speaker (*see pg 16*)

TUESDAY, APRIL 25

Registration in Hotel Lobby 8:00am-12:00pm, then
moves to Conference Center 1:00-5:00pm
Photo Contest
Raffle Opens 8:00am
Rescue Gallery
Bernier-Garde
Bernier University (including Junior Class)
Agility Trial at Delta Park East
Draft Test #2 at Delta Park East
Sweepstakes
Welcome Reception

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26

International Reception 7:00am
Registration in Conference Center 9:00am-3:00pm
Health Clinics
Bernier-Garde
Juniors' Activity—Field Trip
Photo Contest
Raffle
Rescue Gallery
Futurity
Obedience Trial including Team Obedience
Top Twenty Judging
Versatility Showcase
Veteran Sweepstakes
Top Twenty Gala

THURSDAY, APRIL 27

Registration at Catalog Sales
Bernier-Garde
Bernier-Garde Repository 8:30am-3:30pm
Regional Club Council 4:00pm
Judges' Education—ringside mentoring
Photo Contest
Raffle
Rescue Gallery
Generations Showcase
Rally Obedience Trial
Regular Conformation Dog Classes
Veterans Parade at Lunch Break
Veteran Dog Classes
Non-Regular Classes (Stud Dog)
Junior Handling Clinic/Pizza Party
Health Auction

FRIDAY, APRIL 28

Registration at Catalog Sales
Judges' Education—seminar & ringside mentoring
Juniors' Activity
Photo Contest
Raffle Closes
Rescue Gallery
Bernier-Garde
Draft Test #3 at Delta Park East
Regular Conformation Bitch Classes
Titleholders Parade at Lunchbreak
Veteran Bitch Classes
Non-Regular Classes (Brace, Team, Brood Bitch)
BMDCA Annual Meeting and Awards Banquet

SATURDAY, APRIL 29

Registration at Catalog Sales
Judges' Education—ringside mentoring
Junior Showmanship
Best of Breed followed by NOHS Best of Breed, Best
Puppy, Best Veteran, Best Bred-by-Exhibitor
Judges' Dinner

CATALOG ADVERTISING

Deadline for Ad Submission is March 8th

Celebrate your Bernese Mountain Dog by placing an advertisement in the 2017 BMDCA National Specialty Catalog. Do you have a fit and fabulous Veteran, a rising new star, or a rescue extraordinaire? Regional club event schedules are always important information. Advertising in the National Specialty Catalog is a fine way to reach other Berner enthusiasts in the U.S. and abroad. Feature your breeding program, stud dog, brag about your performance achievements, or inform us of your BMD products or services. And who doesn't love a page wishing all of your friends fun times at the Specialty!

Please plan your design needs in advance so that you will be able to meet the ad submission deadline. If you need assistance, a graphic designer is available for basic ad production at an established fee of \$40, payable to the designer. Ads must be paid in full on or before March 8th deadline. Ads not paid in full by the deadline will not appear in catalog. There will be no refunds.

Ad Sizes & Rates (all include photos)

Half Page \$45

Full Page \$75

Two Full Page Spread \$140

Ad Specifications

- Berner-Garde numbers and names are required for all dogs featured in ads.
- Full page ad size is 4½" wide x 7 1/2" tall (this also applies for each page of a two page spread).
- Half page ad size is 4½" wide x 3 5/8" tall.
- All ads will be printed in black and white/grayscale format and must be submitted as "Camera Ready".
- Acceptable submission formats: pdf or jpg (minimum 300 dpi). If you submit in pdf format and the fonts that you use in your ad in are not available to the Superintendent, the fonts will be changed to the closest match available.

Ads must be paid in full by the March 8th deadline. Ads not paid in full by the deadline will not appear in the catalog. There will be NO REFUNDS.

Ad Submission—Two Ways to Submit

- **Online:** Pay by credit card at the BMDCA online store at www.bmdca-store.com, and email your camera ready ad to Catalog Advertising Chair Beth Dennehy at BMDCAcatalogads@gmail.com with "2017 Catalog Ad" in the subject line.
- **By Mail (USPS/FedEx/UPS):** Send your camera ready ad on a CD (with a printed copy of the ad) and payment in full (in US Funds, payable to BMDCA 2017) to:

2017 Catalog Advertising Chair
Beth Dennehy
276 River Road
Steamboat Springs CO 80487

Please provide contact phone numbers (daytime & evening), email address, and home address.

For questions or layout requirements, please contact Catalog Advertising Chair Beth Dennehy at BMDCAcatalogads@gmail.com.

CATALOG SALES

Catalogs can be pre-ordered on the Master Registration form for \$22 or purchased on-site for \$25, available beginning April 24th. Unmarked catalogs to be mailed after the show can also be ordered on the Master Registration form for \$32. Show results will be posted on the BaRay show site (<https://barayevents.com/index.phtml>).

DOG FOOD AND SUPPLIES

There are several stores within a reasonable drive to the show site that carry many brands of dog food. Information about locations will be available through our Facebook posting as well as to other BMD listservs. In addition, the hotel shuttle service is available to take you from the hotel to the nearby Cascade Station where a PetSmart is located.

RAFFLE

Raffles are a huge part of the fun of any specialty! We rely upon lots of wonderful donated prizes every year to reach our goal. Theme baskets are always popular, whether filled with state or regional foods and souvenirs, regional club clothing, grooming tools and supplies from local vendors, or dog toys and treats. Other popular items include draft, agility, obedience, and herding equipment, crates, dog show needs (travel crates, dollies, portable chairs), anything Swiss (collars, leads, clothing, clocks, antique bells, horns), dog beds, grooming tables, tubs and dryers, dog portraits, books, gift certificates for national chain stores or restaurants, and "Bernerabilia" of all sorts.

Please consider making a donation to the raffle – on your own or joining forces with friends, local club members, or training groups. Not feeling creative? – we'll gladly accept your cash donations. Monetary donations can be included on the Master Registration or sent separately, made payable to BMDCA 2017. Contributions of all sizes are greatly appreciated! If you are sending a donated item, please notify us in advance, and plan to bring it with you or mail/ship it by **March 25th** to either:

Terry Clement, 4308 NE 142nd Street, Vancouver WA 98686, clementac@aol.com, phone (360) 576-1063

Phyllis Cole, 5011 Demarie St SE, Olympia WA 98501, phyllis.cole@comcast.net, phone (360) 250-1883

For those of you coming to the Specialty, please stop by and shop the Raffle just inside the doors of the Conference Center! Please contact Terry Clement or Phyllis Cole if you have questions.

TAILBLAZER CLUB

As you make your lists and start planning your packing for the Specialty, please consider joining the Tailblazer Club. All club members will receive a special commemorative item that can be displayed with pride throughout the specialty. There will be many other perks during the Specialty for club members. Here's how to qualify for the Tailblazers Club:

Choose any combination of the following valued at or totaling **at least \$150**:

(subject to verification)

- Donate at least \$50 to the general specialty fund
- Place an ad in the Specialty catalog
- Sponsor a trophy or donate at least \$50 to the general trophy fund
- Donate at least \$50 to the raffle fund, which helps purchase items for the raffle

Along with the special gifts and perks, Tailblazer Club members will be acknowledged in the show catalog, specialty newsletter, and at the Annual Awards Banquet.

Contact Linda Dalton at kevin1297@msn.com or (253) 988-0804 if you have questions.



BMDCA BUSINESS MEETINGS

Sunday, April 23, 2017, 8:00am ~ The In Person Meeting of the Bernese Mountain Dog Club of America, Inc. (BMDCA) Board of Directors will be held in the Mt. Bachelor Room of the Holiday Inn Portland Airport, Portland, Oregon, on Sunday, April 23, 2017, beginning promptly at 8:00am. BMDCA members are invited to attend.

Thursday, April 27, 2017, 4:00pm ~ The Regional Club Council (RCC) Meeting of representatives will be held in the Mt. Bachelor Room of the Holiday Inn Portland Airport, Portland, Oregon on Thursday, April 27, 2017, 4:00pm. Representatives from each regional club meet once a year at the National Specialty to effect greater communication between the clubs, Board, and membership. The agenda will be distributed prior to the meeting.

Friday, April 28, 2017, 8:00pm ~ The Annual Meeting of the Bernese Mountain Dog Club of America, Inc. (BMDCA) will be held in the Ballroom of the Holiday Inn Portland Airport, Portland, Oregon on Friday, April 28, 2017, beginning at 8pm or shortly thereafter. Seats will be provided for those not attending the banquet beforehand.

Items for inclusion on the agenda for either the In-Person Board Meeting or the Annual Meeting must be received in writing by Friday, March 31, 2017. Please send your written request and all materials to the Recording Secretary: Carol Lynn Fox, 7110 Demill Ln, Charlotte NC 28215 or via e-mail at foxbmdca@gmail.com. Please CC Julie Latterell on all email requests at jlatterell2@gmail.com.

LONGSHOTS

Just a reminder that Longshots will not be at the 2017 National Specialty. We will miss Pat and her crew, and will always be grateful for her many years of dedicated attendance at the BMDCA National Specialties.

VENDORS

We offer spaces to commercial vendors inside the conference center and outside. The indoor vendor space will be around the show ring. Commercial booth spaces are 10' x 10' at a cost of \$300 for the first space and \$275 for additional spaces. Tables may be shared if so desired. All booths require a 4-day minimum stay, starting Monday, April 24, and running through Saturday, April 29, 2017. Preference will be given to longer reservations. Spaces are limited, so apply early. No refunds will be made for "no shows" or for fewer days.

Set-up can begin on Sunday, April 23 at 2:00pm. The vendor spaces must be vacated by 5:00pm on Saturday, April 29. Contact Margaret Jezek at jezekm@msn.com, if you have questions. A vendor space request form is available on the specialty website.

TROPHIES, RING FAVORS, AND ROSETTES

Your help is needed in filling the enormous amount of ring favors, trophies, and rosettes for the 2017 National Specialty. Please consider showing your support through a sponsorship in your name or in memory of a loved one. Visit the BMDCA online store www.bmdca-store.com to sponsor a trophy or make a donation to the general trophy fund. All paid donations must be received by March 11, 2017 to be recognized in the show catalog. Contact Kathy Deyo at kdeyo@clearwater.net for questions regarding trophy donations and Meredith Gilbert at meredith2017@comcast.net about the rosettes/ribbons. Thank you for your support.

HEALTH AUCTION

Don't miss the 2017 Specialty Health Fund Auction to be held in the host hotel Ballroom. Together we continue to make a difference to improve the health and longevity of our beloved Berners! The Auction will be held on Thursday, April 27th and will feature the special, unique items gathered from our generous members and friends. A Silent Auction will be open for viewing starting at 6:30pm with the Live Auction starting at 7:00pm. A no-host bar and nibbles will be available, and the Atrium restaurant is right outside the Ballroom for those wanting take-out.

It is never too early to donate to the auction. In fact, we have received many wonderful items already, which we greatly appreciate. Can't find the right item to donate? Please consider a cash donation instead—there are many costs associated with putting on the auction that can be offset with your generous donation. Contact Julie Jackson, Health Auction chair, at (206) 930-3290, rbnernes@gmail.com for details.

Regarding these donations, here's the scoop: The BMDCA Health Auction proceeds will be accepted by the Berner-Garde Foundation, and will be fully tax deductible as allowed by IRS regulations. All proceeds from the Health Auction will go toward funding health-related projects as recommended by The BMDCA Health Committee and as approved by the BMDCA Board. The BMDCA Health Auction proceeds will be held in a restricted fund and governed by a Fiscal Sponsorship Agreement between the BMDCA and Berner-Garde Foundation.

This will be a fun evening with new and old friends, laughter, and generosity of giving—be sure to mark your calendar and join us!

INTERNATIONAL GUEST RECEPTION

Greetings all foreign guests! The BMDCA will host an informal get together with our international attendees on Wednesday, April 26th, at 7:00am in the Mt. Bachelor Room in order to introduce ourselves and socialize. If you are staying at the host hotel, please pick up the complimentary breakfast provided by the hotel and bring it to the room with you. If you are staying elsewhere, light breakfast items will be provided. While we enjoy breakfast, a brief introduction to the US show procedures will be followed by a "Question & Answer" session. We will also share information about a variety of Berner topics. If you have a topic you would like to discuss or share information about, please email Tracey Keith at wyndriftbmd@earthlink.net for questions. Ringside mentors will be available during Wednesday's judging to provide explanations of show procedures for any foreign guests desiring a mentor. USA BMDCA members who wish to mingle with our guests at the reception are most welcome, but will be required to pay a small fee. See the Master Registration for sign-up. Contact Tracey Keith if you have questions.

SPECIAL DOG SHOW EVENTS

The FAN Award

The Fan Award will be awarded at the Awards Banquet to the oldest male and female dog exhibited at the Specialty, including the veterans parade. The award is offered by Friends of the Fan Award in loving memory of "Fan" Camelot's Fantasy and Meg Auger, who sponsored the award from 2003-2015.

TRIATHLETE Challenge—Entry forms due April 16, 2017

Are you and your dog a multi-tasking team?

Set your sights on the Specialty Triathlete Challenge!

The Specialty Triathlete Award is given at the Awards Banquet to EACH berner/handler team who earns a qualifying leg or passing score in three or more different working venues. Yes, you can do it all! The eligible events are tracking (all classes), herding (JHD or higher), rally (regular classes only), obedience (regular classes only—novice, open, utility), agility (all classes), and draft (all classes). Only one score or performance in each venue will count towards this award. If your dog can pull, heel, sniff, run, and jump—just pick your venues and go for the gold! The Specialty Triathlete Awards will be something to treasure. Award offered by Ruth Nielsen—Mazama Mountain Dogs. To be eligible, download and complete the Triathlete Challenge form on the Specialty website and email to RNielsen@Nielsenlaw.com **no later than April 16, 2017**. Questions? - email Ruth at RNielsen@Nielsenlaw.com. Mailed entries also accepted, send to 3909 Interlake Ave N, Seattle WA 98103.



RECEPTIONS & BANQUETS

Move In Nights—Ruff'n It Bar & Grill – Sunday, April 23 & Monday, April 24, 6:00-8:00pm

Ever get to the Specialty site and have no desire to wait in line for the restaurant or drive to get food? The Ruff'n It Bar & Grill will be serving burgers and fries on Monday evening and street tacos on Tuesday evening, with an emphasis on quick and easy service to take back to your room or hang out at tables with friends. No-host cash bar. Prepay for one or both nights in master registration to get your wristbands. **\$15 each day**

Lunch Options at Host Hotel Conference Center Site

Lunch will be available at the hotel restaurant, a concession at the conference center, and through a variety of food trucks. Each day will feature a different food truck and theme parked right outside the conference center on Tuesday through Saturday. We are thrilled to provide access to food trucks made famous in Portland! These are no-host, and pay as you order.

Offsite Lunches for Tracking, Herding, Draft, and Agility—Monday, Tuesday, and Friday

Food may not be sold at Delta Park where Draft and Agility are being held, and Tracking and Herding are also offsite. If you are attending any of these events, you can prepurchase your lunch for any or all of these days through Master Registration. Wristband required for lunch pickup. Monday will feature sandwiches and handmade chips from Theo's in Portland, along with fruit and soda or water. On Tuesday there will be a food truck (final selection TBA), and on Friday lunch will be provided by the Portland Burrito Bar. **\$11 each day**

Welcome Reception—Tuesday, April 25

Cocktails 6:00pm; Food Service 6:30pm

The kickoff for a fabulous week of Berner fun. A chance to meet up with friends. We offer a no-host cash bar opening at 6:00pm, with food service beginning at 6:30pm. Attendees will be treated to a brat and potato salad meal, and each attendee will take home a memorabilia item from the event. Wristband required for admittance. **\$20**

Annual Meeting & Awards Banquet - Friday, April 28

Cocktails 6:00pm (early entry to Tailblazer Club members); Dinner 7:00pm

Time to hear from our BMDCA leadership and celebrate our wins and accomplishments over the past year. A plated dinner will feature a salad of tomato and buffalo mozzarella stack, petite greens topped with a basil oil and balsamic glaze; choice of three entrees, 1) vegetable lasagna with tomato ragout, 2) Cornish game hen with orange scented natural jus, or 3) citrus crusted Mahi Mahi; wild rice pilaf; broccolini; rolls with butter; and Tiramisu for dessert. Beverages will include coffee and tea.

Cocktail reception with cash bar begins at 6:00pm, with dinner being served at 7:00pm. The BMDCA Annual Meeting will begin at 8:00pm, and includes presentation of awards. Additional seating will be available for BMDCA members and others wishing to attend only the Annual Meeting and/or Awards Presentation following the dinner. Wristband required for admittance to dinner. **\$45**

Judges' Dinner - Saturday, April 29

Cocktails 6:30pm (early entry to Tailblazer Club members); Dinner 7:30pm

Now is the time to celebrate our wins and accomplishments, as well as those of our friends. We are pleased to honor our distinguished judges. A plated dinner will feature a salad of spring greens with carrots, cucumbers, goat cheese, and tomatoes; choice of three entrees, 1) charbroiled Portobello mushrooms with zucchini, yellow squash, Bermuda onion with spaghetti squash and red bell peppers with Polenta, and a balsamic reduction and basil-infused olive oil, 2) French cut organic chicken with natural jus, or 3) 10oz Flat Iron steak with dark chocolate demi-glaze; Boursin mashed potatoes; baby carrots; and New York style cheesecake for dessert. Beverages will include coffee and tea.

Cocktail reception with cash bar begins at 6:30pm, with dinner being served at 7:30p.m. Judges' comments begin at 8:30pm, followed by closing moments. Additional seating will be available for BMDCA members and others wishing to attend only the Judges' Comments following the dinner. Wristband required for admittance to dinner. **\$45**

For questions or dietary needs for Friday/Saturday dinners, please contact Susan Parr at sjparr@olypen.com.

Limited Reserved Dinner Tables

A very limited number of reserved tables (seating 10) will be available at the Awards Banquet & Judges' Dinner for \$100 per night on a first-come, first-served basis. The guest reserving the table must submit their request and check payable to BMDCA 2017 for \$100 to Kathy DeHart, Specialty Treasurer, 28982 S Dalmation Rd, Mulino OR 97042. Direct any questions to Show Chair Linda Dalton at kevin1297@msn.com.

PHOTO CONTEST

We all have our favorite and treasured pictures of our Berners and everyone enjoys seeing what has been captured and put on paper. The highest-placing donated photos in each category will be silently auctioned during the week, with the winners announced at the Annual Meeting. Other donated photos will be displayed at the meeting and available for \$10.

Categories

Berner Puppies – Share the adorable (or mischievous) moments with us.

Veteran Berners – Like fine wine, they get better (and more special) with age.

Black & White – Sometimes the strongest statements are in black and white.

Working Berners – Show us your dogs at agility, herding, drafting, therapy, rally, or obedience.

Belly Laughs – Show us the silly, comical, surprisingly goofy dog that lives inside each of our Berners.

Kodak Moments – Send us pictures of special moments with your dog that will tug at our heartstrings.

The Great Outdoors - With "Summit to Sea" being this year's theme, we'd love to see your Berners in the mountains, on the beach, or in your own back yard.

Judging & Prizes

Judging by experienced photographers will occur before the Specialty. Ribbons will be awarded to 1st through 4th place in each category. In addition, each 1st place winner will receive a handmade glass ornament. If the first place photos have been donated, we will have them matted and framed for people to bid on for a silent auction. People's choice will be decided by popular vote and announced at the Awards Banquet. In addition to a special ribbon, the winners of Best Photo in Show and People's Choice will receive a special hand-made glass piece and a \$50 gift card.

Entries

Entry fees are \$10 for the first photo and \$6 for each additional entry. There is no entry limit. All checks should be made payable in US funds to "BMDCA 2017." Mail your photos and entry fees to:

Jean Nielsen, 6220 Fern Hill Road, Monmouth OR 97361

Contest Rules

- All photos may not exceed 8"x10" photos and must be mounted on an 8x10 stiff board. No mattes or frames, please.
- No identifying names or markings on the front of the photo. Attach entry form to the back of each photo.
- All photos must be the original work of the entrant and not exhibited prior to this show.
- BMDCA will not be responsible for lost or damaged photos.
- Photos must remain on display until Saturday morning, April 29th. All remaining photos will become the property of the BMDCA unless a self-addressed, stamped envelope was provided with your entry.
- **Deadline: March 11, 2017** (postmark)

For additional information or questions, contact Jean Nielsen at jeannielsen6220@gmail.com.

PHOTO CONTEST REGISTRATION		
Name:		
Address:		
City/State/Zip:		
Phone:		Email:
Category:		
Yes	No	I donate this photo to be used as a fundraising item.
\$		Fee Due

JUNIORS ACTIVITIES

Juniors Registration

This year we are thrilled to offer a wide variety of opportunities for the future of our breed. Junior attendees should complete the Master Registration form to receive a welcome bag and register for the Specialty, as well as other events. Fees indicated apply unless otherwise specified.

All juniors that register should also complete the activities form available on the Specialty website, and email it to Melanie Koon at melanie.koon1@gmail.com or mail to the address provided on the form by March 15, 2017.

Berner University

Monday, April 24th, and Tuesday, April 25th, see page 17. Registration fees are waived for Juniors (age 9-18). Please submit a Berner University registration for the attendee. On Tuesday, there will be a class offered specifically for junior registrants, "Do More With Your Dog: Training Tricks to Build Relationship With Your Conformation Dog" (limited to 10 working teams, unlimited auditing). Bring your dog for a fun-filled session learning the fundamentals of positive reinforcement training and teaching your dog some new tricks that will help you in the conformation ring.

Field Trip

On Wednesday, April 26th, junior registrants are invited to visit and tour the Oregon Humane Society. Further information will be in your welcome bag. The activities form **with signed permission** must be on file in order to participate in the field trip.

Juniors Showmanship Handling Class & Pizza Party

On Thursday, April 27th, after completion of conformation for the day, junior registrants will meet at the conformation ring to learn showmanship skills. The handling class will be divided into novice and open groups with instruction tailored to the individual needs of participants in preparation for Junior Showmanship on Saturday. The handling class will be followed by a pizza party and ice cream social at the host hotel.

Morning With A Mentor

Junior registrants will have a "hands on" learning experience, paired with a seasoned adult volunteer owner-handler mentor for 2-4 hours on either Thursday or Friday morning, following one dog, beginning with bathing and ending with accompanying the mentor to the conformation ring. The junior will learn different aspects of preparing a dog for the show ring, assisting the mentor as directed throughout the process.

Introduction To Dog Sports

Monday through Thursday mornings, junior registrants will meet to learn about different performance events offered through the week, volunteering to help ringside when possible. Junior attendees will earn points toward a participation award to be given at the Awards dinner on Friday night.

Bucket Minion

Junior registrants will raise money for the BMDCA Junior Scholarship Fund by donating their time to serve as an assistant to exhibitors for a suggested \$20 donation. Additionally, selected juniors may choose to participate in the Health Auction by providing four hours of assistance to the winning bidder on Friday or Saturday two hours after completion of Junior Showmanship. Juniors participating as a Bucket Minion may order a "safety green" special logo hoodie for \$25 on the junior activities form.

Participation Awards

Junior registrants will have the opportunity to earn points toward participation awards that will be presented at the Awards Dinner on Friday night. There will be a table reserved for junior registrants at the dinner.

VETERANS AND TITLEHOLDERS PARADES

PARADE OF VETERANS TO BE HELD THURSDAY, APRIL 27, 2017, Lunch Break

Do you have a Berner that has celebrated their seventh birthday on or before April 29, 2017? If so, enter your dog in the Veterans Parade and take a celebratory romp around the ring. Every year this is an anxiously awaited event where more than a few tears are shed for the love and spirit of this breed we hold so dear. This event is for any Berner that qualifies by age. Your veteran will receive a special gift to commemorate the occasion. **Fee per dog is \$25.**

PARADE OF TITLEHOLDERS TO BE HELD FRIDAY, APRIL 28, 2017, Lunch Break

Has your Berner earned an AKC, CKC, BMDCA, or BMDCC title in conformation, obedience, agility, herding, tracking, rally, and/or draft? Want to have your moment to shine and receive the applause that you and your Berner richly deserve? Then sign-up for the Parade of Titleholders. It will be held on Friday, April 28th during the lunch hour in the conformation ring. Each participant will receive a commemorative gift to honor your Berner. **Fee per dog is \$25.**

TWO CONVENIENT WAYS TO REGISTER

MAIL IN: Complete the form below & mail **with Master Registration** form (postmark by **March 11th**).

ONLINE: Register for the parades online through master registration no later than **March 18th**.

Questions? Contact Laura Brodigan at laura.brodigan@gmail.com or Dan Brodigan at dan.brodigan@gmail.com. No gifts will be mailed. All gifts must be picked up immediately following the Parades.

PARADE ENTRY REGISTRATION				
Owner Name:				
Phone:			Email:	
Parade(s) you are entering:	<input type="checkbox"/>	Titleholders	<input type="checkbox"/>	Veterans
Veteran's Birthdate:				
Dog's Registered Name: <i>(include all titles)</i>				
Dog's Call Name:			<input type="checkbox"/>	Male
			<input type="checkbox"/>	Female
Brief bio: <i>(maximum 300 characters)</i>				

RESCUE GALLERY

The perfect way to celebrate our rescued Berners is to tell their story in the Rescue Gallery! Regardless of whether your Berner was rescued by a regional club, private group, or individual, or if they came from a puppy mill, broker, online site, or other bad situation, theirs is a story worth sharing.



Owners do not need to attend to participate in the Rescue Gallery, but all entries will be required to go through Master Registration. If you are not attending, have someone pick up your welcome bag. Even those dogs who have crossed the Rainbow Bridge may be honored. The Rescue Gallery will be prominently displayed in the Atrium at the host hotel. A story book will also be printed that contains the same pictures and stories on display for those entered, those entered but not attending, and for individual purchase.

The cost to enter your Rescue Berner is just \$25. Each entry will receive a pin personalized with your dog's call name, a yellow bandana that will clearly identify each Rescue Gallery participant, and of course, the story book. If you would prefer to receive the storybook only, the entry fee is \$15. If not attending the specialty, please add \$5 to help cover the cost to return ship your entry materials to you. Storybooks will be available for sale at the specialty for \$5.

TWO CONVENIENT WAYS TO REGISTER

MAIL IN: Complete the form below for each entry and **mail** with fee(s) included in your **Master Registration** form. Then **Email** your dog's story (MS Word format, maximum 500 words) and a digital photo of your dog (8x10, minimum 200 dpi) to ron.davis@ak.net including your dog's call name and Berner-Garde ID#.

ONLINE (preferred method): Register each entry online in **Master Registration** and **Email** a digital photo of your dog(s) (8x10, minimum 200 dpi) to ron.davis@ak.net including your dog's call name and Berner -Garde ID#. Online registration will accommodate your dog's story.

For all entries, additional instructions: Please **mail** only an **8x10 portrait** (hard copy) for display directly to Ron & Kristi Davis, PO Box 55197—2330 Granite Drive, North Pole AK 99705. **Ron & Kristi will not be accepting registration forms**, please make sure that you register for the Rescue Gallery through Master Registration. **PLEASE NOTE: ALL ENTRIES REQUIRE AN ELECTRONIC AND A HARD COPY IMAGE OF YOUR BERNER!**

If you have questions, including how to obtain a Berner-Garde identification number, contact Ron Davis at ron.davis@ak.net or by phone at (907) 388-8206.

RESCUE GALLERY REGISTRATION <i>(for mail-in entry only, complete one for each entry and mail with Master Registration)</i>		
Owner Name:		
Address:		
City/State/Zip:		
Phone:		Email:
Dog's Call Name: <i>(for pin)</i>		Berner-Garde ID#:
Yes	No	Attending Specialty?
\$		If not attending specialty, add \$5 for mailing <i>(include/mark fee on master registration form)</i>
		Display Only Package \$15 <i>(include/mark fee on master registration form)</i>
		Full Package \$25 <i>(include/mark fee on master registration form)</i>
\$		TOTAL included on Master Registration for this Entry <i>(remember to submit photo/dog's story by email)</i>



BERNER UNIVERSITY

Essential Education arrives in the Pacific Northwest! We are pleased to offer our 13th exciting conference with experienced BMDCA members and distinguished guests sharing their expertise on a broad array of subjects. Complete class descriptions and faculty biographies are online at the Berner University website: www.BernerU.org

• **The Berner U registration fee is \$40 per person.** This allows you to attend unlimited seminars and workshops for two days, and to receive a key after the Specialty to the Berner U Dropbox containing resources and articles by our faculty.

- **Juniors**, ages 9-18 years old, receive **FREE REGISTRATION** for all classes, and this year have an exclusive workshop designed just for them on Tuesday afternoon.
- **Events OPEN TO EVERYONE/SPECTATORS**, without charge will include the **Breeder Symposium, Rescue 101 & Roundtable, and Sieger Evaluations Observation**. Please indicate if you plan to attend the Breeder Symposium so we can provide sufficient seating.
- **The European-Style Sieger Evaluation has an additional fee of \$40 per dog. Dogs must be at least 12 months old to participate.** A respected Bernese breeder judge, will evaluate over 30 different conformation characteristics. Both you and those observing will hear a verbal critique. You will receive a written, signed record of the evaluation.
- **Registration** is online or via snail mail and **specific instructions are on the main registration page**. Contact Tracey Keith, Berner U Registrar, at bernerregistrations@earthlink.net for all Berner U communications. Register early, as space is limited for some workshops.
- **NO DOGS are allowed in classrooms for seminars, only in the spaces designated for performance events per the host hotel and BMDCA contract.**

Room	9 – 11 AM	Noon – 2 PM	3 – 5 PM	7 – 9 PM
MONDAY				
Mt Bachelor	Draft 101 Christine Mann	Natural Nutrition Part 1 Kymthy Schultz CN	Natural Nutrition Part 2 Kymthy Schultz CN	BREEDER SYMPOSIUM The Scoop On Poop Jorg M. Steiner DVM OPEN TO EVERYONE
Mt Hood	Animal Communication Polly Klein	Telling Time: Ovulation, C-Section, Due Date, Fetal Maturation & Gestational Age Cheryl Lopate DVM	Histiocytic Sarcoma Update Haley Leeper DVM Kaitlin Curran DVM Shay Bracha DVM	
Mt St Helens	Lymphoma 101 Lisa Parshley DVM	Behavior Adjustment Training Lisbeth Plant	Novice Obedience Handling Lisa Baldwin	
TUESDAY				
Mt Bachelor	European-Style Sieger Evaluations Mary Alice Eschweiler OPEN TO SPECTATORS	Canine Body Language Lisbeth Plant	Understanding Movement Margie Reho	
Mt Hood	New Breeding Strategies for Healthy Berners Carol Beuchat PhD	Responsible Breeding: Beyond the Box Bobbie Hefner & Linda Seaver	Rescue 101 & Rescue Round Table Kathy Deyo OPEN TO EVERYONE	
Mt St Helens	Exercise & Its Effect on Survival Lisa Parshley DVM	Training Tricks for Conformation Dogs Melanie Koon JUNIORS ONLY	AKC BMD Standard Fran Brown Gail Vogel Helen Davenport-Willis	

HEALTH CLINICS

Wednesday, April 26, 2017, Mt. Hood & Mt. St. Helens Rooms—Atrium Level, 9:00am-4:30pm

Pre-registration required. Please indicate on registration form if you prefer AM or PM appointments. Contact Sherri Antonucci, Health Clinic/Kits Coordinator, at island_bernese@comcast.net if you have questions.

Cardiac Clinic: Board certified veterinary cardiologist, Dr. Gary Wood DVM, will be available to perform primarily cardiac auscultation for OFA certification. Echocardiograms can be scheduled only on an 'as needed' basis if warranted by auscultation. OFA requires dogs be at least one year of age when examined to receive a cardiac clearance. Fees: Auscultation \$35; Echocardiogram \$195.

Eye Clinic: Board certified ophthalmologist, Dr. Sarah Maxwell DVM, will perform eye examinations for OFA certification. Annual examination is recommended for all dogs that are involved in a breeding program. Eye drops are applied 10-15 minutes prior to the exam to dilate the pupils. It is recommended that the examination be performed after your dog has completed judging for the day. Fee: \$20

Reminders

- Please remember to bring your dog's AKC registration number, date of birth, and tattoo/microchip/DNA information.
- Fees cover evaluations and forms only; submission of results to OFA requires additional fees payable directly to OFA.

HEALTH KITS

All kits will be included in your registration packet. If you have any questions, please contact Sherri Antonucci, Health Clinic/Kits Coordinator, at island_bernese@comcast.net. All tests kits can be done during the Specialty and returned to the Health Clinic (4/26 from 9:00am-4:30pm) or completed at home and mailed to the Health Clinic/Kits Coordinator by Wednesday, May 3, 2017, in order to avoid an additional charge to have your kit processed. Each kit will have details of where and when to mail them.

VetGen Type 1 von Willebrand's Disease DNA Test: Cheek swab test kit. Fee: \$75

AKC DNA Test: Cheek swab test kit. **PLEASE NOTE:** These tests CAN NOT be used for the DNA requirement to enter the 2017 Specialty. Fee: \$40

Degenerative Myelopathy (DMSOD1A and DMSOD1B) Tests: Cheek swab test kits. **Please note:** If you have had only one test done previously, it is likely the DMSOD1A test. If so, it does not need to be repeated. DMSOD1B is the test for the second mutation that is present ONLY in Berners and is recommended for Berners who have been graded as normal or carrier for the DMSOD1A mutation. The DMSOD1B test is not necessary for Berners who have been graded as 'At Risk' for the DMSOD1A mutation. Fee for each test: \$25

BERNER-GARDE REPOSITORY CLINIC

Thursday, April 27, 2017, 8:30am—3:30pm, Host Hotel Conference Center

Berner-Garde is once again rolling out the mobile unit to sponsor a BMD Repository clinic. We would love to see you and your Berners in Portland! Trained vet techs will be on hand to do simple blood draw samples throughout the day. No appointments are necessary and it's easy, quick, and FREE! It's a wonderful way for you and your Berner to provide valuable information to aid future health research. Each dog that provides a blood at the event will receive a special gift.

Calling All Veterans!

All Berners and their owners will receive a special gift from Berner-Garde for each blood sample submitted. Because veterans are so extra special and have a wealth of health information to share, Berner-Garde will provide an ADDITIONAL unique gift to each veteran Berner that provides a blood sample to the Repository.

Berner-Garde Site Operators will be on hand throughout the week at the Berner-Garde booth to record updates in the database. Please do your part to further Berner-health research by participating in the BMD Repository Clinic and making updates to you and your dog's information while in Portland—do it "For The Love of A Berner!" Storage of samples at the Repository is paid for jointly by the Berner-Garde Foundation and the BMDCA.

SHOW PHOTOGRAPHERS & VIDEOGRAPHER

Photographer: Classique Photography by Dawn Gabig, 902 Rollingwood Dr NW, Wilson NC 27896, Ph (252) 991-5527, www.ClassiquePhotography.com or Gabig@cableone.net.

Classique Photography by Dawn Gabig is the exclusive photographer for all official show photos for the Specialty events held at the host hotel. She will also be available for individual photo sessions; please contact Dawn directly to schedule.

Additionally, the Specialty committee is offering vendor opportunities for all photographers who wish to take candid photos of any event and then offer those photos for sale. Each such photographer must have a vendor badge and pay the appropriate fee of \$50 for performance events or \$100 for all events, including conformation. To date, Chris Stefanac is committed as a vendor for conformation events at the conference center and as time allows, at Obedience and Rally Obedience. Questions about obtaining a vendor permit for candid photography should be directed to Linda Dalton, Show Chair, at kevin1297@msn.com, phone (253) 988-0804.

Candid Ringside Photographer: Chris Stefanac, Ph (804) 347-0452, chrisertec@aol.com, www.csphotoonline.com

Videographer: ShowDogVideoPros, 40 Junction Road, South Berwick ME 03908, Ph (207) 200-3837, showdogvideopros@gmail.com, www.showdogvideopros.com

*This show will be professionally video recorded and available for live streaming. **No other live streaming (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), commercial video recording, video recording from a tripod mounted camera, or any video recording of large segments of the show will be permitted.** Submission of an entry form and/or physical presence on the show grounds shall constitute both implied and real consent for both the handler and their dog to be video recorded. Individuals (owners, breeders, handlers, spectators, club members, etc.) shall be allowed to record video of their own dog(s) using cell phones, tablets, or other **handheld devices only**. **Live streaming from a handheld device, video recording from a tripod-mounted camera, or any video recording of large segments of the show by an individual is NOT permitted.***

GROOMING

**NOTE: Grooming and Crating is allowed in designated areas only.
Due to LIMITED GROOMING SPACES, sharing of grooming spaces is encouraged.**

Exhibitors may reserve a 10' x 10' grooming space for \$100.00, which includes one electrical plug with 20 amps of power, for the entire show period. All paid reserved spaces will be inside the grooming tent and are available on a first come, first served basis through master registration until capacity is reached. When using PAID spaces, exhibitors are encouraged to bring floor mats and a UL-listed heavy duty exterior extension cord properly rated for their equipment's amperage. Generators and electric heaters are prohibited. All extension cords and dryers are subject to inspection, and non-compliant equipment may be removed by show personnel.

There will be a limited number of unpaid, non-reserved grooming/day crating spaces available for "day-of-use" on a first come, first served basis. Electricity will not be available for these spaces. Setup and take down is required each day.

All set-ups will be supervised by the Grounds Committee as representatives of the BMDCA. The Club reserves the right to restrict the number of grooming tables and to rearrange grooming areas and set-ups as required by circumstances for the safety and convenience of all. This includes moving crates, tables, and other equipment. Exhibitors are expected to comply with all Club rules as laid out by the BMDCA.

ADDITIONAL GROOMING, CRATING, AND SITE INFORMATION FOR EXHIBITORS AND ATTENDEES

- **MOVE-IN: BEGINS SUNDAY, APRIL 23rd AT 6:00pm**
- **GROOMING SPACES MUST BE VACATED IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE COMPLETION OF ALL CONFORMATION EVENTS ON SATURDAY, APRIL 29th.**
- The grooming area will be open daily from 6am (except for move-in at 6:00pm on 4/23) until 10pm, except for Saturday, April 29th. The tent will be closed from 10pm until 6am and will be patrolled. **DOGS ARE NOT PERMITTED TO STAY OVERNIGHT IN THE GROOMING AREA.**
- The BMDCA and the show committee will not be responsible for theft or damage of items left in the grooming area. Participants are encouraged to use good judgment when leaving dogs, personal items, or equipment unattended.
- Parties wishing to set up together should submit forms under the same **Group Name**. No additional crating inside the building may be reserved or saved.
- At time of move-in, exhibitors will be required to supply contact information, including hotel, room number, and cell phone number.
- An area outside of the grooming area near the hotel will be provided with three bathing stations.
- Exhibitors and handlers will be held responsible for clean conditions in and around their assigned grooming space.
- Absolutely no x-pens will be allowed in the grooming area except within the assigned grooming space.
- Bathing/Grooming is not allowed in any hotel room.
- Participants and visitors must abide by the posted signs on the show grounds; failure to do so will result in a warning and possible ejection from the show site and/or event.
- Ringside chairs are NOT to be taken to the grooming area.

Complete the grooming section of the master registration form to reserve your spot! For questions, contact Debby Jones, Grooming Chair, at lazyjbernese@msn.com or (503) 931-2710.

BMDCA JUDGES EDUCATION SEMINAR & WORKSHOP

Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, April 27-29, 2017, Deadline April 15, 2017, Fee \$40

Walk-Ins Accepted, Late Registration Fee \$45

All AKC criteria will be met including: Seminar, Ringside Mentoring, and Hands-on Evaluations. Class judging will be held on Thursday and Friday, followed by Best of Breed judging on Saturday. Ringside mentoring during regular conformation dog classes will be provided on **Thursday, April 27th**. A **Judges Education Seminar** will be held on **Friday, April 28th at 7:30am**, followed by ringside mentoring during regular conformation bitch classes and a hands-on workshop. Ringside mentoring will be provided during Best of Breed competition on **Saturday, April 29th**.

BMDCA members planning to apply for AKC judge licensing within the next year may attend the Judging Seminar, provided they meet the AKC application requirements set forth by the AKC for first time applicants. Contact BMDCA Judges Education Chair Debby Wilkins for a BMDCA member application, attendance guidelines, and to verify eligibility to participate.

If you have questions, contact Debby Wilkins, BMDCA Judges Education Chair, at abbeyroadbmd@gmail.com or (612) 747-4418. The registration form and can be found at www.bmdca.org/jec/index.php.

Berner University educational classes, held April 24-25, may be of additional interest. Please utilize the Master Registration for Berner U.

SHOW SUPERINTENDENT & PREMIUM LIST

BaRay Event Services, Inc. will be serving as our Show Superintendent:

BaRay Event Services, Inc.

113 E Fairhaven Avenue

Burlington WA 98233

Phone: (360) 755-7086

Email: dogshows@barayevents.com

Mailing Address:

PO Box 508

Burlington WA 98233

Fax: (360) 755-2248

Website: www.barayevents.com

BMDCA members can look forward to receiving notification of the Premium List via Ecomm. Members who currently receive their BMDCA Bulletin via USPS will receive their Premium List in hard copy. Visit the BMDCA website at www.bmdca.org/specialty/2017 to access a link to the Premium List. You may contact BaRay Event Services, Inc. to request a printed copy of the Premium List by mail.



ATTENTION EXHIBITORS

AKC DNA REQUIRED FOR ALL DOG SHOW ENTRIES

The BMDCA requires each entrant to provide a valid AKC DNA Profile Number for the dog entered on the Official Entry Form at time of entry. AKC DNA numbers are not required for Special Attractions such as parades. Failure to meet these requirements will render the dog ineligible to enter the event. This may result in the loss of all awards earned at the event, as well as subject the entrant to possible disciplinary action by the AKC and/or BMDCA, including but not limited to suspension from club privileges and entry of club events. All DNA numbers will be verified by the BMDCA within 30 days after the national Specialty.

DNA kits can be obtained from the AKC Online Store at www.akc.org.

DON'T DELAY! STANDARD PROCESSING TIME IS 6-8 WEEKS AFTER RECEIPT!

If it has been more than 8 weeks since the DNA sample was submitted to AKC and you have not received a DNA profile number AND need it for your 2017 Specialty entry, call AKC DNA Operations at (919) 816-3508 to obtain a preliminary DNA number (accepted in extenuating circumstances only).

Please allow an appropriate amount of time for the AKC to receive your sample and call NO LATER THAN one week prior to close of entries. Be sure to mention "BMDCA National Specialty" to expedite your request.

WAIVER OF RIGHTS—ANIMALS IN DISTRESS

The Bernese Mountain Dog Club of America, Inc. reserves the right to remove any animal in distress from a parked vehicle or crate, and all persons attending these dog events hereby waive any claim for damages against the club for such removal. The Club regards the health, safety and life of any dog on the show grounds to be paramount to other property or privacy rights. We will attempt to reach the responsible party but cannot guarantee contact will be made before action is taken.

SHOW VETERINARIAN

VCA Southeast Portland Animal Hospital ~ (503) 255-8139, Distance to show site: 5.9 miles

13830 SE Stark Street, Portland Or 97233

Hours: 24 hours Monday-Sunday

www.vcahospitals.com/southeast-portland

Directions from the host hotel: From the host hotel, head east on NE Columbia Pkwy N Blvd, continue straight on NE Killingsworth St. Then take I-205 S to exit 21A, SE Washington St and continue onto SE Stark St.

Reproductive Services

The following services can be contacted regarding reproductive services needed during the Specialty.

Cheryl Lopate MS DVM DACT ~ Wilsonville Veterinary Clinic/Reproductive Revolutions

9275 SW Barber St, Wilsonville OR 97070, (503) 982-5701, www.reproductiverevolutions.com

About 40 minutes south of the host hotel, this veterinary practice specializes in reproduction. They are available by appointment only and will do their best to accommodate our Berners, but cannot guarantee scheduling availability.

International Canine Semen Bank (ICSB)

PO Box 651, Sandy OR 97055, (503) 663-7031, ik9sb@aol.com or www.ik9sb.com

Headquartered in Sandy, Oregon, about 30 minutes drive east of the host hotel. Some of ICSB's breeding services include semen freezing, evaluations, and consultation. They perform in-house semen collection and artificial insemination and have veterinarians on call 7 days a week for surgical inseminations.

TRACKING

Monday, April 24, Frenchman's Bar Park, Vancouver WA 98660, 30 minutes from Host Hotel

A combined TD/TDX Tracking Test site will be held approximately 30 minutes north of the host hotel at Frenchman's Bar Park, 9612 NW Lower River Rd, Vancouver WA 98660. We are offering 5 TD and 2 TDX tracks. If one does not fill, we will use the AKC Regulations exchange rate of 2 TD equaling 1 TDX. Entries are open to all breeds, but preference will be given to Bernese Mountain Dogs.

Judges: Mr. Roy E. Fair and Ms. Judy Stromquist.

Spectators are welcome, so come and support your tracking buddies. Parking will be plentiful at the staging area. Since parking at the tracking sites is limited, we ask that you share a ride to the site. Prepaid lunch will be available through master registration.

The premium list will be available for download on the BMDCA website. For more information, to request a hard copy of the premium list be mailed to you, or if you wish to help lay tracks Sunday plotting day and Monday test day, contact Dino Candelaria, Tracking Chair/Secretary at blackcoral@cablone.net.

Please note that tracking entries will close on Wednesday, March 29th.

HERDING

**Monday, April 24, Brigand's Hide Out, Battle Ground WA, 25 minutes from Portland
BMDCA Sponsored American Herding Breed Association—Two All-Breed Tests/Trials**

Come join your fellow Berner herding enthusiasts in a fun-filled day of herding. Two tests and trials will allow two opportunities to earn titles. The AHBA Herding Capability Test (HCT) allows you to evaluate your Berner's instinct and capability to herd. Junior Herding Dog (JHD) class is a pre-trial level class and the Herding Trial Arena Dog (HTAD) class is a trial level class for formally trained dogs. A JHD or HTAD qualification/leg counts toward Triathlete Award.

Judges: Mr. Ron Fischer & Ms. Mary Peaslee

Classes Offered (both tests/trials): Herding Capability Test, Junior Herding Dog, and Herding Trial Arena Dog I, II, and III (Course 3). **Due to loss of livestock, test runs will be extremely limited. Enter early!**

Entries: Pre-entries accepted until Wednesday, March 29, 2017: \$45 per test/trial and \$50 for Day-of entries. Any entry received after 5:00pm, March 29, 2017 will be considered Day-of test/trial entries. All breeds are welcome but entry preference will be given to Bernese Mountain Dogs. ****Bernese Mountain Dogs MUST have DNA number to exhibit at these trials.****

Visit www.ahba-herding.org for information on rules and class descriptions. For more information about the tests/trials, contact Herding Chair Debra Bammel at dgbammel@gmail.com. The premium list will be available for download on the BMDCA website. To request a hard copy by mail, contact the Test/Trial Secretary, Mary Dowski at madowski@aol.com. Prepaid lunch will be available through master registration.



AGILITY

Tuesday, April 25, Outdoors at Delta Park East, 15 minutes west of Host Hotel

Join us on Tuesday for the National Specialty agility trial! It will be held outside on grass at Delta Park East, located about 15 minutes west of the host hotel. Classes offered include Standard, Jumpers with Weaves, and T2B. Our Judge will be Ms. Paula Ratoza, and the Trial Secretary is Lori Sage, lksage@aol.com. If you have questions or would like to volunteer, contact one of our Agility Chairs, Lisa Kaufman at lkkauffman@outlook.com or Christie Leone at agilitybmd@gmail.com. The premium list will be available for download on the BMDCA website. To request a hard copy by mail, contact the Trial Secretary. Prepaid lunch will be available through master registration.

OBEDIENCE & RALLY OBEDIENCE

Obedience Trial, Wednesday, April 26, Indoors at the Host Hotel Ballroom

Judges: Mr. Michael A. Calhoun & Mr. Bruce Fraser

Rings will be fully matted. Due to space limitations in the Ballroom, there will be no crating inside the Ballroom. Crating will be available in the hotel Atrium, which is just outside the Ballroom doors. No x-pens will be allowed. We will offer Beginner Novice A/B, Novice A/B, Open A/B, Utility A/B, Preferred Open, Preferred Utility, Team, and Veterans. For questions, contact Stephanie Biksacky, Obedience Chair, at dogwoman67@q.com. Premium lists will be available from the show superintendent.

Rally Obedience Trial, Thursday, April 27, Indoors at the Host Hotel Ballroom

Judges: Mr. Michael A. Calhoun & Ms. Theresa Temple

Rings will be fully matted. Due to space limitations in the Ballroom, there will be no crating inside the Ballroom. Crating will be available in the hotel Atrium, which is just outside the Ballroom doors. No x-pens will be allowed. We will offer Novice A/B, Advanced A/B, and Excellent A/B classes. For questions, contact Rally Obedience Chair Vicky Hall at ravhall@aol.com.

DRAFT

Monday, April 24; Tuesday, April 25; and Friday, April 28, Delta Park East, 15 minutes from Host Hotel

There will be three BMDCA Draft Tests at the 2017 National Specialty, one each day April 24, 25, and 28. Each test will offer Novice, Brace Novice, Open, and Brace Open classes, with a limit of 24 entries in each test. The tests are limited to Bernese Mountain Dogs only. All tests will be held at Delta Park East, approximately 15 minutes west of the host hotel. Entrants will need a DNA profile number, as well as a Berner-Garde ID number on their entry form. Premium lists will be available for download on the BMDCA website. Contact Ruth Nielsen, Draft Chair, at nielsen@nielsenlaw.com if you have questions. Gina Craig will serve as Test Secretary for all tests.

****IMPORTANT**** Our goal is to fill each test, while accommodating as many *different* teams as possible. Every effort will be made to ensure each team has one chance to compete before second or additional entries will be allowed for that team.

Team—means either a single dog entry or a brace entry. 1st entry—team's first entry in a specific class. 2nd entry—team's second entry in the same class on a different day (e.g., Novice on Tuesday and Friday) or team's entry in a different class (1st entry is Novice, 2nd entry is Open).

Test or Entry Preference: Teams wishing to enter multiple days or multiple classes may choose which entry is their first preference, second preference, etc., on the entry form. There are no guarantees that preferences will be met.

*Subject to the above limitations for these Specialty tests: Untitled (in the class entered) teams have preference over titled teams. Titled teams have preference over advanced titled teams. A Brace team is not considered "titled" until both dogs are "titled".

Move-ups will be allowed.

There will be a single equipment check for each test and a separate equipment check for the alternates.

Monday, April 24

Test #1 Judges: Mr. Phil Chagnon & Mr. Jim Maxwell **Test Secretary:** Gina Craig

Tuesday, April 25

Test #2 Judges: Mr. Larry Bohlig & Mr. Jim Maxwell **Test Secretary:** Gina Craig

Friday, April 28

Test #3 Judges: Mr. Phil Chagnon & Ms. Barbara Gibson **Test Secretary:** Gina Craig

CONFORMATION EVENTS

Regular and Non-Regular Conformation, Sweepstakes, Futurity, Veteran Sweepstakes, and Junior Showmanship will be held indoors at the host hotel Conference Center main ring. See premium list for eligibility requirements. The 2017 Specialty Committee is excited to offer the National Owner Handler Series (NOHS) at this event. This program was developed by the American Kennel Club to celebrate the dedication and enthusiasm of owner-handler exhibitors. Exhibitors must indicate at the time of conformation entry that they are eligible and want to compete in the NOHS. Selection for the NOHS Best of Breed, Best Puppy, Best Veteran, and Best Bred-by-Exhibitor will be held immediately following the regular judging of Best of Breed in the same ring. Additional information about the NOHS will be included in the premium list for those who are interested in participating in this program at the 2017 Specialty. Information can also be found on the AKC website at www.akc.org/ohs/index.cfm.

Please make note that **no personal chairs will be allowed ringside**. Local fire requirements restrict ringside chairs to only those supplied by the host hotel. There will be at least five rows of chairs supplied along the long-side of the ring. In addition, one end of the ring will be lined with two sets of bleachers with

five rows of seats each. We ask that attendees not attempt to “reserve” a chair for the run of the show but instead find available seating as needed. We appreciate everyone’s cooperation to make this a great experience for everyone.

GENERATIONS SHOWCASE

We are pleased to offer the Generations Showcase—a class featuring three generations of direct lineage. It encourages an eye for the long view: what traits endure from generation to generation. The three-dog entry must make up a three-generation pedigree. For example: Dog #1, a parent (either father or mother) of Dog #2; Dog #2 a son or daughter of Dog #1 and a parent to Dog #3; Dog #3, a son or daughter of Dog #2 as well as a grandson or granddaughter of Dog #1. Each dog does not have to be owned by the same person or have the same breeder of record. To enter, two of the three dogs entered per family must be entered in another AKC class. Entries may be neutered or spayed.

Entries are judged much like the Stud Dog or Brood Bitch Classes, EXCEPT that the positive traits that endure through all three generations are considered. In other words, the judge will consider the degree to which strengths in Dog #1 consistently repeat in Dogs #2 and #3.

The class will be divided into grandsires and granddams. Each entry will have three Berners. The grandsires with their two generations will be judged and 1st through 4th will be awarded with the 1st place grandsire receiving Best Grandsire in Generations. This will be repeated with the granddams (1st receiving Best Granddam in Generations). Generations Showcase entries will be submitted through BaRay, our Show Superintendent.

VERSATILITY SHOWCASE

This stand-alone conformation competition will showcase dogs and bitches that have received the BMDCA Versatility Award. Classes will be offered for Versatility/Versatility Excellent, Dogs/Bitches Under 7 Years and 7 Years and Over, with Best in Versatility chosen from the eight class winners. **Intact and altered dogs ARE eligible to compete.** Since this showcase is a Special Attraction, **dogs or bitches judged first in these classes will NOT be eligible for Best of Breed by virtue of having won these classes.** See the premium list for eligibility requirements. Versatility Showcase entries will be submitted through BaRay, our Show Superintendent.



TOP TWENTY GALA

WELCOME TO THE ENCHANTED FOREST!

Join us for a Magical Night in a Fairy Garden of beautiful dogs at the BMDCA's fifth annual Top Twenty Gala, which will be held the evening of Wednesday, April 26th in the conformation ring at the Holiday Inn Portland Airport. This event will showcase the top conformation dogs from 2016. Entry is by invitation only and is sent to the top 20 Bernese Mountain Dogs in breed and all-breed points, as determined by AKC statistics from January 1 through December 31, 2016.

Dogs will be prejudged by a three-judge panel the afternoon prior to the gala event. Each judge will evaluate the dogs on a predetermined point system, enumerating the criteria of our breed standard. The emphasis for judging is on the individual qualities of the dog and how closely he/she conforms to the breed standard. Points will be tabulated once the prejudging is completed, and the winner will be announced at the conclusion of the event. In addition, attendees will also have the opportunity to vote for the People's Choice Award.

The Top Twenty competition will culminate Wednesday evening in the main conformation ring at the host hotel. The event is open to the general public to view the final showcase of the Top Twenty dogs and presentation of awards to the top winners. This event will be both entertaining and exciting as the handlers present their dogs to music chosen by them to represent the unique personalities of their dogs.

The theme this year is ***"Enchanted Forest"***, so evening wear is encouraged for participants and formal and/or fairy attire for the audience.

Honor the beloved dog(s) at your feet, or commemorate the dogs who will forever be in your heart by purchasing a ***"Heart Light"*** to celebrate each of them. This 4-inch birch bark candle with an attached wooden heart bearing your dog's call name is available through the BMDCA online store at <http://www.bmdca-store.com>. Your personalized Heart Light(s) will be available for pick up at the Top Twenty ring.

Top Twenty Gala donations are also very welcome and may be made through the master registration form.



2017 BERNER UNIVERSITY REGISTRATION – MAIL IN FORM

- If you are participating in Berner University, complete and print this form, then transfer the total amount due to the Master Registration Form and submit the forms together.
 - Please mark your choice of sessions in each time slot for Monday and Tuesday, and, if appropriate, whether auditing or working. Contact Tracey Keith, Berner U Registrar, at berneruregistrations@earthlink.net for all Berner U communications.
 - Register early, space is limited for some workshops.
- If you are attending **ONLY** the **OPEN TO EVERYONE/SPECTATORS** sessions, there is no fee. Complete and print this form with the appropriate session(s) marked to submit with the Master Registration. This will assure sufficient seating.

Day	9 – 11 AM	Noon – 2 PM	3 – 5 PM	7 – 9 PM
MONDAY	Draft 101 Christine Mann Limit 55	Natural Nutrition Part 1 Kymythy Schultz CN Limit 55	Natural Nutrition Part 2 Kymythy Schultz CN Limit 55	BREEDER SYMPOSIUM The Scoop On Poop Jorg M. Steiner DVM OPEN TO EVERYONE <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Check box if you plan to attend.</i> Limit 125
	Animal Communication Polly Klein Limit 40	Telling Time: Ovulation, C-Section, Due Date, Fetal Maturation & Gestational Age Cheryl Lopate DVM Limit 40	Histiocytic Sarcoma Update Haley Leeper DVM Kaitlin Curran DVM Shay Bracha DVM Limit 40	
	Lymphoma 101 Lisa Parschley DVM Limit 40	Behavior Adjustment Training Lisbeth Plant Limit 37 Audit ^{reg} /3 Work ^{reg}	Novice Obedience Handling Lisa Baldwin Limit 30 Audit ^{reg} /10 Work ^{reg}	
		Audit ^{reg}	Work ^{reg}	
			Audit ^{reg}	

Please mark your choice of sessions in each time slot for Monday and Tuesday, and, if appropriate, whether auditing or working.

TUESDAY	European-Style Sieger Evaluations Mary Alice Eschweiler OPEN TO SPECTATORS Limit 55	Canine Body Language Lisbeth Plan Limit 55	Understanding Movement Margie Reho Limit 55	
	# Dog(s) to be Evaluated Add fee below			
	New Breeding Strategies for Health Berners Carol Beuchat PhD Limit 40	Responsible Breeding: Beyond the Box Bobbie Hefner & Linda Seaver Limit 40	Rescue 101 & Rescue Round Table Kathy Deyo OPEN TO EVERYONE Limit 40	
	Exercise & Its Effect on Survival Lisa Parschley DVM Limit 40	Training Tricks for Conformation Dogs Melanie Koon JUNIORS ONLY Limit 30 Audit ^{reg} /10 Work ^{reg}	AKC BMD Standard Fran Brown Gail Vogel Helen Davenport-Willis Limit 40	
		Audit ^{reg}	Work ^{reg}	

Student Name		Berner U Registration \$40	\$
		Junior (Age 9-18) No Fee	-0-
Email		Sieger Eval Fee per Dog \$40	
		TOTAL DUE	\$

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TWO CONVENIENT WAYS TO REGISTER:

Register online at www.bmdca.org/specialty/2017 by Saturday, March 18, 2017
OR Mail completed Registration Form with any additional forms for galleries, parades, or Berner University,
postmarked NO LATER THAN Saturday, March 11, 2017

Final deadline for refund requests for both mail-in and online registration is **Thursday, March 23, 2017**.
 All requests must be made in writing and received by this date, either by USPS mail or by email to bmdca.reg@gmail.com.
 Requests after this date will not be honored.

Please complete a separate form for each registrant.

Check all that apply:	BMDCA Member	International Attendee	Junior	My 1 st Specialty		
Name						
Kennel Name						
If Junior, Parent Name						
Address						
City/St/Zip or City/Country/Postal						
Phone				Cell		
Email				Include cell phone in public attendance list?	Yes	No
General Items				Quantity	Cost @	Total
Name Tag & Welcome Bag						-0-
Processing Fee <i>(applicable for all registrations)</i>						\$5
Pre-Ordered Catalog (Onsite will be \$25.00)					\$22	
Mailed Catalog (unmarked, mailed after the Specialty)					\$32	
Reserved Grooming				Quantity	Cost @	Total
10' x 10' Space					\$100	
Group Name						
Grooming Next To						
Receptions & Banquets <i>(Submit a separate form for each registrant)</i>					Cost @	Total
Ruff'n It Bar & Grill – Sunday, April 23 & Monday, April 24				Sunday	Monday	\$15
Offsite Lunches Tracking, Herding, Draft, Agility		Monday <i>(Choose event)</i>		Tuesday	Friday	\$11
		Tracking	Herding			
Welcome Reception – Tuesday, April 25					\$20	
Annual Meeting & Awards Banquet – Friday, April 28 <i>(Choose Entrée)</i>				Veggie	Chicken	Fish
Judges' Dinner – Saturday, April 29 <i>(Choose Entrée)</i>				Veggie	Chicken	Beef
International Guest Reception <i>(Attendee from outside the USA)</i>			Need Mentor	Serve As Mentor		Free
International Guest Reception (USA Attendee)				Serve As Mentor		\$8
Veterans & Titleholders Parades <i>(Submit a Registration Form for each dog, see page 14)</i>				Quantity	Cost @	Total
Veterans Parade – Thursday, April 27					\$25	
Titleholders Parade – Friday, April 28					\$25	
Page 1 Subtotal →						

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Rescue Gallery <i>(Submit a Registration Form for each dog, see page 15)</i>	Quantity	Total
Rescue Gallery <i>(Please indicate number of entries and total amount included for all entries)</i>		
Health Clinics – Thursday, May 5	Quantity	Cost @
Cardiac Clinic – Evaluation/Auscultation		\$35
Time Preference for Cardiac Appointment(s) (9am-4pm)	AM	PM
Eye Clinic – Exam		\$20
Time Preference for Eye Appointment(s) (9am-4pm)	AM	PM
Health Kits <i>(Health Kits you order will be included in your registration packet.)</i>	Quantity	Cost @
Vet Gen Type 1 von Willebrand's Disease DNA Test Kit		\$75
AKC DNA Test/Profile Kit		\$40
GenSol Degenerative Myelopathy (SOD1A) Test		\$25
GenSol Degenerative Myelopathy (SOD1B) Test		\$25
Berner University <i>(Submit a Berner University Registration Form if you are participating in Berner U or are attending sessions that are open to everyone with no fee.)</i>		
Total Due on attached completed Berner University Registration Form (include Sieger Evaluation fees)		
Donations <i>(Donors will be acknowledged in the official show catalog.)</i>		
DONATION: General Specialty		
DONATION: Raffle		
DONATION: Trophy Fund		
DONATION: Top Twenty		
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GRAND TOTAL		
<p style="text-align: center;"> Register online at www.bmdca.org/specialty/2017 by Saturday, March 18, 2017 OR Mail completed Registration Form with any additional forms for galleries, parades, or Berner University, postmarked NO LATER THAN Saturday, March 11, 2017 to: BMDCA Registration, 10170 Irish Rd, Goodrich MI 48438 <i>All checks and money orders must be in U.S. dollars, payable to BMDCA 2017.</i> </p>		