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Bi-monthly newsletter of the

Bernese Mountain Dog Club of Southeastern Wisconsin

Website - bmdcsew.org

Merry Christmas Happy New Year



2017 Board Meetings

Sat, January 21, 2017 TBD Eschweiler's home 32022 W Hwy K, Hartland

TBD Thunder Bay Grille N14W24130 Tower Place, Waukesha, WI 53188

TBD German Shepherd Club o Wisconsin W224 S6950 Guthrie Rd

TBD Eschweiler's home 32022 W Hwy K, Hartland

Sat, Sep 23, 3:00 pm or After draft test Nashotah Park, W33 N5113 County Rd C Nashotah

TBD

Olympia Resort 1350 Royale Mile Rd Oconomowoc

General Member Meetings

Thunder Bay Grill N14W24130 Tower Place Waukesha 11:00 am Dinner 12:00 PM meeting

Spring Fling

German Shepard Dog Club of Wisconsin W224 S6950 Guthrie Dr. <u>Big Bend</u> (map link) Meeting 12:30 pm

Waukesha KC Show
Sat, July 29th
Waukesha County
Expo Center
1000 North view Road
1 Hour after BMD judging

Bernerfest 2017
Sept 24th
Nashotah Park
W330 N5113 Cty Road C
Nashotah
9:00 AM or following
draft walk-through

Fall Annual Meeting TBD

St. Mary's Church 36014 Sunset Drive Dousman, WI 12:30 PM

Upcoming BMDCSEW Sponsored Events for 2017

Awards Dinner Sunday, TBD7 Thunder Bay Grill Waukesha 11:00 AM

Back-To-Back Specialty
Friday—Saturday
Mar 3—4
Washington Co.
Expo Center
3000 Pleasant Valley Rd,
West Bend

Spring Fling

10:00 AM-4:00 PM German Shepard Dog Club of Wisconsin W224 S6950 Guthrie Dr.

Draft / Carting workshop TBD W8521 School Section Road Draft Test Friday, Sept 22rd Nashotah Park W330 N5113 Cty Road C Nashotah, WI

Draft Test
Sat. Sept 23th
Nashotah Park
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Nashotah

Bernerfest 2017 Sunday, Sept 24th Nashotah Park W330 N5113 Cty Road C Nashotah 10:30 AM







2017 Dues Reminder

Renewal form accompanies this Yodels E-mail distribution. Due to Carl Eschweiller by January 1, 2017

BMDCSEW REGIONAL SPECIALTY
VOLUNTEERS NEEDED
Conformation Ring Stewards.
Friday, March 3rd, 2017
Saturday, March 4th, 2017

If you are interested in volunteering for the club, I have the perfect opportunity for you. I have openings for volunteers on both days. I will need a minimum of 3 volunteers for each day. You will be rewarded with a great view of the matches, a great learning experience if you are interested in Conformation and Lunch will be provided for those who volunteer. We will train anyone that has interest in volunteering, but I would like to have at least one experienced person each day if possible. Please contact Kathy Bohm at bohmk@charter.net or 608-289-7889 for additional information.

The 2017 BMDCSEW Back2Back is coming up March 3rd and 4th, 2017. One of the things that makes this event fun is our Raffle. We ask that every member donate either a basket or items to be used in a basket for the raffle. Please see the attached PDF for more information and some basket ideas!!

Thank you - we appreciate your support.



BMDCSEW Annual Fall Member Meeting











Berner Brags

Stonehill's Wish Upon a Star CD,RN,TD,ANDD (Luke) can now add an "X" after that TD!! Luke and I achieved the TDX title on October 9th at the Northern Flyway Golden Retriever Club AKC Tracking Dog Excellent Test in Waupaca. We got off to a slow start but once we got through the first leg, we worked our way through high grass, woods, over fallen trees and finally to the finish article - the glove! Thank you Kerry Waltersdorf for blessing me with Luke. He is a hard worker and at 7 years, continues to learn and take on new challenges. Lynne Kurz



My girl, Iris (CH Stonehill's Starts In Her Eyes CD, TDX, MDD, ANDD, ABNDD), was not going to be one-upped by her brother, Luke, or her daughter, Breeze. So she passed the Tracking Dog Excellent test on October 30, 2016. She did a wonderful job with her track. Only went off track once when she spooked up a rabbit. But she got back to work and finished her 890 yard track in 16 minutes! I could not be prouder of my won-





We have a berner available for rehoming. Miles is 4 years and 9 months old. He is neutered and up-to-date on his shots. He weighs 108 pounds. He currently lives in Sister Bay, WI. He had basic training when he was young but has since developed a few bad habits that need correcting. The couple who own Miles are no longer physically able to keep up with him. He needs

exercise. He also needs more attention than he currently gets.

Miles is very friendly and enjoys being around people. Miles bad habits are: grabbing things and running, often he comes in house but does not want to stay in so he grabs something to get attention, takes it outside, hoping he will be followed and played with. He gets very excited when he sees the leash – so excited it is difficult to put the leash on him. Miles is basically a good dog but he has not had the mental stimulation, attention, and exercise he should have. Miles has started grabbing at people, like grabbing their arm – but he just wants attention.

Miles does not have any allergies or other health problems but he does have some anxiety issues. Miles is afraid of fireworks and storms. He will run in the house and hide.

Miles is housebroken but prefers to be outside.

Miles is cat and dog friendly and enjoys being groomed. He is a sweet, loving dog who needs training.



If you are interested in Miles please let me know.

Thank you!

Wendy Kerr, Wendy Kerr, BMDCSEW Rescue Chair 608-212-8138

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derful working girl!! Thank you, Kerry Waltersdorf, so much for this do-it-all girl!! Peggy Granger

A huge Congratulations to Team Peggy & Iris who completed the requirements on October 30, 2016 to be officially recorded with AKC as TRACKING DOG EXCELLENT. Peggy has done a fabulous job with "IRIS" CH. Stonehill's Stars in Her Eyes, CD,NDD,TD, TDX.

Thank you Peggy for making this star shine,

Kerry Waltersdorf









2016



Oconomowoc



18 Berners and their friends participated













Christmas



Parade











BernerFest Wrap-up

This was my last year of Chairing Bernerfest. I have had years of fun memories. It is a very satisfying experience to look over the crowds and see everyone smiling and showing off their beloved Berners. I hope that someone comes forward to run the next Bernerfest. If that special someone needs any advice or direction from me I will glady provide it.

Bernerfest 2016 was again blessed with beautiful weather. Their are special people I would like to thank for giving-up their time to help make this year another success. ROBIN KRUMNOW has helped me get the raffle by collecting all types of articles and then displaying them in beautiful baskets. This is a job that starts immediately after Bernerfest ends. This is a very important part of Bernerfest because it is a huge money maker. ROBIN KRUMNOW doesn't stop with the raffle, she also does the pet grooming which always has a long line. This year KEVIN stopped by to give ROBIN a hand trimming those fuzzy ears and feet. VICKI KORALEWSKI is the first person the cars full of people and pets meet when she collects the entry fee. BETH SPANO was at the park very early to help set-up the different courses and decorate with the balloons. She didn't stop there she also sold raffle tickets. AARON KRUMNOW was busy all day doing doggie massage which is always a big hit. Games were run again this year by NANCY SMITH and DEAN-NA SCOTT with helpers SHELDON SCHALL and DAWN PERRY. They make sure there are never any loosers.

STEPHANIE DELMORE and her daughter entertained the little people with face painting and tatoos. STEPHANIE also organized the Therapy dog testing. This was the first year we attempted this, and it was a success. MARYELLEN again volunteered to talk with people in regards to how they would get involved in training for Therapy dog certification. CINDY KUM-MER and KRISTI KUMMER helped the teams as they attempted their Canine Good Citizen test better known as CGC. CARRI BORISCH and KEITH WALTERSDORF worked feeding the hungry crowds Sloppy Joe's and all the fixins. At 1p.m. KRIS KERR with the help of her Alaskan Malmute gave a weight pull demonstration, which many enjoyed. Could be a new title for our breed. I want to give a very special thank you to the group that ran the raffle sales, ED & PENNY LABEN, HOLLY KEUTTEL and BETH SPANO who spent the whole day with the raffle sales. ED & PENNY LABEN also get a thumbs up for purchasing the Blue circus wagon which I am forever indebted to them, I won't have to bring it to another Berner festivity.

Thank ;you all for your time, KERRY WALTERSDORF

NOTE: My new change of address is:

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Should you let your dog lick your face?

By Randee Dawn TODAY 10/24/2016

If you have a dog, you've probably asked it to "give kisses" — that is, greet you with licks to the face. But if you're not careful, you might be getting a lot more than kisses with every pooch smooch. As reported in The New York Times on, letting

your dog lick your face risks disease transmission, including diseases humans can't handle. "There

are some



organisms unique to dogs that we were simply not meant to tolerate or combat," Dr. Neilanjan Nandi, an assistant professor of medicine at Drexel University College of Medicine. Those organisms include zoonotic bacteria, which means animals can pass them to people. Some of the bacteria include E. coli, salmonella and campylobacter, which can cause gastrointestinal disease, Dr. Leni K. Kaplan, a lecturer of community practice service at Cornell University's College of Veterinary Medicine, told the Times. But as we learned in April, when it was reported that hugging your dog may not be good for them (it stresses them out), dog-loving humans are resistant to changing their behavior toward their pets.

So here's the good news: Yes, your dog can lick you. Yes, your dog can lick your face. Just stay away from the eyes, nose, mouth and any cuts.

"When dog saliva touches intact human skin, especially in a healthy person, it is extremely unlikely to cause any problems, as there will be very little absorption through the skin," said Dr. Kaplan.

But dog saliva (and those pathogens) can be absorbed more easily through mucous membranes — our soft, wet tissues — and that's why you should steer Rover away from your mouth. As virology professor at Queen Mary University in London John Oxford told The Hippocratic Post, it's about understanding where that mouth has been before Fluffster brings it over to you.

"It is not just what is carried in saliva," he said. "Dogs spend half of their life with their noses in nasty corners or hovering over dog droppings so their muzzles are full of bacteria, viruses and germs of all sorts."

And as for that old tale about a dog's mouth being cleaner than a human's, it's a bit like comparing apples to oranges, <u>as</u> Science Line reported.

In other words, there are plenty of germs in your shepherd. So maybe it's best to find other ways to share kisses with your beloved pets!





Some Websites that you may be interested in:

www.bmdca.org/ Bernese Mountain Dog Club of America Website

http://www.bernergarde.org/home/ Berner-Garde Foundation

www.bestbeau.ca/BMD Health Info Links.html

www.pettravel.com Pet friendly travel accommodations

www.dogbitelaw.com Dog Bite Law

www.barcinc.net/ Bernese Auction Rescue Coalition

www.akc.org Official American Kennel Club Site

www.rallyobedience.com/ Rally obedience Site

www.uexplore.com/health/poisonplants.htm Plants that are Poisonous for Dogs

www.vet.upenn.edu/pennhip/index.html University of Pennsylvania Hip Improvement

Offa.org Orthopedic Foundation for Animals

www.vmdb.org/cerf.html Canine Eye Registry Foundation (CERF)

www.caninehealthinfo.org/chicinfo.html Canine Health Information Center

www.behaf.org/ Berner Emergency Health Assistance Foundation (Behalf)

www.bmdcni.org/index.html Bernese Mountain Dog Club of Northeastern Illinois

http://www.accessdata.fda.gov/scripts/petfoodrecall/#Dog U.S. Food & Drug Administration Dog Food Recalls

Pet Loss and Bereavement:

http://www.tufts.edu/vet/petloss/ Tufts University Pet Loss hotline

http://www.petpartners.org/Pet Loss Websites Pet Loss web sites

http://www.petpartners.org/page.aspx?pid=372 Pet loss references and resources

BREEDER REFERRAL 2016

The BMDCSEW is currently looking to renew and update the Breeder Referral listing for 2014. Your name, kennel name, phone number, and e-mail address will be listed on our club website. To be listed, you must have volunteered to work two of our club events, or chaired an event in the past year. If you would like to participate please fill out the form below and mail to:

Sue Wellenstein

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1) Please complete:	<u>bugziere(w)rie</u>	w.n.com	
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Kennel name:		<u></u>	
Address:	City:	State: _Zip:	
Phone number:			
E-mail address:		<u> </u>	
2) Check one:			
Would you like to be listed as a: 3) Please name the club event(s) in		ed your time at and the task or duty did you p	erform there:
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