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 Bernese Mountain Dog Club of Southeastern Wisconsin
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Regulatory Positions That May Impact BMDCEW Members

By Sheldon Schall

The Veterinary Examining Board (VEB) defines professional standards and regulatory policies for veterinarians and veterinary technicians, of which I am a member serving through June 2018 as one of the two “public” members of the eight-member board. During the January 24, 2018 board meeting the board clarified two issues that the board was asked to rule on or confirm.

Access to health care records by successor animal owners. The position of the VEB in relation to State Statute 89.075 and Administrative Code VE 7.03 is that an individual that becomes the owner of an animal via a sale or gift transfer is entitled to all healthcare records of the animal at the request of the successor owner to the veterinarian/veterinary clinic. The former owner cannot prohibit the release of the records. The veterinarian/clinic is required to provide all the healthcare records subject to reasonable evidence to support the change of ownership without the previous owner’s permission. The spirit of reasonable evidence is minimal documentation of successor ownership. Specific to BMDCEW Rescue, the club forms transferring the dog to rescue signed by the previous owner would be adequate for rescue to obtain all the healthcare records of the dog from the veterinarian.

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2018 Board Meetings

Sat, January 20; 10:00 AM
 Eschweiler’s home
 32022 W Hwy K, Hartland

Sun. Feb 11 9:30 AM
 Thunder Bay Grille
 N14W24130 Tower Place,
 Waukesha

Sat., April 7, 2017 9:00 AM
 Western Waukesha County
 Dog Training Club
 W1314 Cedar Drive, Ixonia

Sat, June 16th, 10:00 AM
 Eschweiler’s
 32022 W Hwy K, Hartland

Sat, Sept 29th, 3:00 PM or
 after Draft is finished
 Nashotah Park
 W330N5113 County Road
 C, Nashotah, WI 53058
INCLEMENT WEATHER
ALTERNATE: Eschweiler’s
 32022 W Hwy K, Hartland

Sun, Nov, 4, 10:00 am
 Olympia Resort, 1350 Roy-
 ale Mile Road,
 Oconomowoc

General Member Meetings

Sun. Feb 11, 2018
 Thunder Bay Grill
 N14W24130 Tower Place
 Waukesha
 11:00 AM Dinner
 12:00 PM meeting

Spring Fling
 Sat., April 7,
 10:00 am—4:00 PM
 Western Waukesha County
 Dog Training Club
 W1314 Cedar Drive, Ixonia
 Meeting 12:30 PM

Waukesha 2018 KC Show
Saturday, July 28th
Waukesha County
Expo Center
1000 North view Road
1 Hour after BMD judging

Bernerfest 2018
Sun., September 30th
Nashotah Park
W330 N5113 Cty Road C
Nashotah
9:30 AM or following
draft walk-through

Annual Member Meeting
Sunday, November 4th
St. Mary’s Church
36014 Sunset Drive
Dousman
12:30 PM

Upcoming BMDCEW Sponsored Events for 2018

Awards Dinner
 Sunday, Feb. 11th
 Thunder Bay Grill
 Waukesha
 11:00 AM

Back-To-Back Specialty
 Friday—Saturday
 March 2—3
 6:00 AM—6:00 PM
 Washington Co.
 Expo Center
 3000 Pleasant Valley Rd,
 West Bend

Spring Fling
 Saturday, April 7th
 10:00 AM—4:00 PM
 Western Waukesha County
 Dog Training Club
 W1314 Cedar Drive,
 Ixonia

Draft / Carting Workshop
 Saturday, June 12
 9:00 AM
 W8521 School Section
 Road
 Darien

Draft Test
 Friday, Sept 28rd
 Nashotah Park
 W330 N5113 Cty Road C
 Nashotah

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 10:00 AM



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Are procedures such as removing dew claws and tail docking required to be performed by a licensed veterinarian. The position of the VEB in relation to State Statue 98 and Administrative Code VE 1.02(9) and 7.02 removal of dew claws and the docking of tails or ears is surgery and therefore falls under the practice of veterinary medicine. These procedures by the owner of an animal, i.e. a dog is not exempt as those exemptions in SS 89.05(2). An owner of a dog performing dew claw removal or docking is practicing veterinary medicine without a license.



Your Brain is Mostly Mush:

About a half pound of fat, about 75% water, and a trace of compounds such: Carbon: 0.409 lbs.; Hydrogen: 0.24 lbs.; Nitrogen: 0.21 lbs.; Oxygen: 1.95 lbs.; Sulfur: Trace; Phosphorus: Trace; Cobalt: Trace; Iron: Trace; Rubidium: a dash; Selenium: a dab; Zinc: a touch; Chromium: a tinge; Silver: a sprinkling; Cesium: a hint; Antimony: a Trace; Scandium: a trace. Making it a pile of wet, fatty goop

Mix the ingredients together and you get about three pounds of neurons, neurotransmitters, and more; all the stuff that helps you brain shoot off faster than the fast-electric signals. Those neurons combine to form structures that link into fantastically complex architecture, housing everything you think, feel and do. Your mind is an awfully ordinary thing. It just happens to be the most extraordinary thing in the world.

Okay, how does this apply to dogs? Researchers used to think brain-to-body-size ratio revealed intelligence because it reflected (they thought) how a species devoted energy to its cranium. That theory went by the way-side as researchers compared various species. Man's best friend has a brain to body size ratio of 1:125, while the ratio of the human is 1:40. Comparing a 145-pound human with a 145-pound dog, the dog's brain is small; but consider how the dog functions with that small brain. Especially with the various senses, i.e., smell, sight, and hearing.

Information from two articles in Popular Science Magazine



The 2019 National Specialty Leadership Team is looking for outgoing individual(s) to help with a special fundraiser that we will be running at our specialty in Brainerd, next year. The job is simple, but could make our specialty a nice a sum of money. Here is what we are planning...

The fundraiser is called "The Best Seats in the House". We will be selling raffle tickets for a chance to win two decorated directors chairs, (placed and reserved for the full week) right in the front row of the down and back ringside and also a decorated cooler filled with snacks and drinks. The raffle tickets will be reasonably priced so that all can afford to enter this raffle.

What the volunteer position entails...is to sell the raffle tickets on the Sunday evening and Monday of the specialty. The winner will be announced that Monday evening during the welcome reception. Its an easy fun job, and a chance to meet a lot of great people.(And its short term!) If anyone is interested please contact me for more details!

Thanks!
Brycie Marine
2019 Co-Performance Chair

LINK: [How to brush your dog's teeth](#)

Brave Battle with Burglar Earns Kismet the 8th Annual Hambone Award

Kismet, a Jack Russell terrier from Salt Lake City, Utah has won the 2016 Hambone Award, honoring the most unusual pet insurance claim of the year. Kismet earned the nomination after he bravely intervened during a violent burglary that left he and his owner in critical condition.



The 8th annual Hambone Award is presented by Nationwide, the nation's first and largest provider of pet health insurance

Kismet was treated by the veterinary team at Advanced Veterinary Care in Salt Lake City where they performed a lifesaving surgery to treat a major stab wound that he received during the altercation. For their outstanding work, Advanced Veterinary Care received a \$10,000 Nationwide-funded award through the Veterinary Care Foundation (VCF) to treat pets whose owners could otherwise not afford veterinary care. One hundred percent of all donations to the VCF are used to treat pets, with no contributions used for administration, fundraising or overhead.

LINK: [The Pain of Loving Old Dogs](#)
Submitted by Carl Eschweiler



CALLING ALL BERNARDS & THEIR HUMANS!
BMDCEW
SPRING FLING



Enthusiasts
 Future Owner Donors
 Families - All welcome!
 Saturday, April 7, 2018
 10:00am to 3:00pm
 Western Waushara County
 Dog Training Club
 W1314 Cedar Drive,
 Tonaw, WI 53086

2018 Spring Fling

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I have a new email address. It is: wisconsinbmd@gmail.com.

I am helping someone re-home her 1 yr. 4 mo. old male Berner, Tock.

Tock is very well bred. Beautiful. Strong and healthy. He weighs 125 pounds. He is full of life and love, and is an exceptionally loving companion. He is FABULOUS with children; housebroken; easy on a leash; and can live with other dogs. Any other dog in the same household should be neutered/spayed and submissive.

Tock loves to be with people and the best home for him would be a home where there are people around most of the time - where he will get attention and love and great care. He loves the outdoors and room to play.

Tock and the dog Tock used to live with (Albert) got into a fight recently. With Tock just having turned one year old his hormones kicked in and he began displaying new behaviors generated by all the testosterone their bodies are producing. Fighting can sometimes be one of those new behaviors. The owner of Tock and Albert tried to stop their fight which resulted in her getting bitten. She now feels that Tock and Albert will not make good house companions and she wishes to re-home Tock. Tock has now been neutered which will reduce his testosterone levels.



Tock still needs boundaries and should go to a home with an experienced dog owner - someone who will tell him what is and isn't acceptable behavior.

I don't feel Tock is a dangerous dog because his owner was bitten while trying to break up a dog fight. I have been bitten doing the same thing. I wouldn't try to find a home for him if I felt he was dangerous.

Tock is currently being fostered in Deerfield, IL, which is about 45 to 60 minutes south of the Wisconsin-Illinois border. Photos attached.

Wendy Kerr



Thank you so much to everyone who worked so hard to put on the B2B. It was a wonderful event. Everything seemed well organized. The trophies were so great and the raffle was terrific (even though I didn't win anything).

Cindy and Zoli

Spring Fling Slider Cook-off

A big Thank you" to the four people that entered the slider contest. Sue Wellenstein prepared the winning slider with the recipe below.



Slow Cooker Hawaiian Chicken

This Slow Cooker Hawaiian Chicken is sweet and smoky and slow cooked to perfection. It makes a great sandwich, and is perfect for family dinners, parties, game day, or anytime you're looking for something super easy & incredibly delicious!

Prep Time 30 minutes

Cook Time 8 hours

Total Time 8 hours 30 minutes

Servings 12

Ingredients

- 1) 3 lbs. boneless skinless chicken breasts
- 2) 1 c. chopped onion
- 3) 2 Tbsp. butter
- 4) 1 1/2 tsp. Worcestershire sauce
- 5) 1 tsp. salt
- 6) 1/2 tsp. pepper
- 7) 1/2 tsp. onion powder
- 8) 1/2 tsp. ginger

Instructions

- a) Combine pineapple juice, brown sugar, ketchup, soy sauce, garlic, Worcestershire sauce, and spices in a large measuring cup or mixing bowl. Mix until all ingredients are incorporated, then set aside.
- b) Heat 2 Tbsp. butter in a large skillet over medium-high heat.
- c) Add chopped onion and sauté until onion begins to brown.
- d) Stir in 1/4 c. flour.
- e) Pour pineapple juice mixture into skillet and boil, stirring, 10-15 minutes or until sauce is thick.
- f) Place chicken in slow cooker and cover with sauce.
- g) Cook on low heat 8 hours.
- h) *If sauce is not as thick as you'd like it to be, you can prop open the lid and let some additional liquid evaporate before shredding and serving.

*Note: sauce will thicken further as it cool

Hawaiian Cole Slaw

Prep Time 10 minutes

Total Time 10 minutes

Ingredients

- 1) 1 14 oz. package Cole slaw mix
- 2) 1 c. diced red pepper
- 3) 1 c. diced pineapple

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Berner Brags



Serendipity Dreamchaser finished her championship on April 7 2018 at Dekalb with a 4 point major and best owner-handled - Judge Dana Cline.


Kay Wendorf

- 4) 1/2 c. shredded matchstick carrots
- 5) 1/2 c. chopped macadamia nuts (substitute slivered almonds)

Dressing:

- 1) 1 c. mayonnaise
- 2) 1 1/2 Tbsp. honey
- 3) 1 1/2 Tbsp. rice wine vinegar
- 4) 1 tsp. Celery salt

Instructions

- a) Combine Cole slaw mix, red pepper, pineapple, carrot, and nuts in a large mixing bowl.
- b) In a separate bowl, combine dressing ingredients and mix well.
- c) Pour dressing over Cole slaw and stir until combined. 

Spring Fling Sieger Show Report

We had 14 entries. Judged by Amy Kessler
 Best Puppy was awarded to Dana Zurbuchen with her boy Henry
 Best Adult was awarded to Peggy Granger with her girl Breeze
 Best Veteran was awarded to Karen Borre with her girl Daisy

Thanks to all participants and spectators
 Paige Hess



Stone Hill For Auld Lang Syne (Zoli) earned 2 Rally Novice legs (2nd place) and 2 Beginner Novice legs (1st place) at our B2B in March. Thank you Kerry. Our boy is growing up a little.

Cindy Falk

September Draft Tests

Our club is again hosting a three day weekend of draft tests. They are on Sept. 28, 29, & 30, 2018 at Nashotah Park, Nashotah, WI. Peggy Granger is chair for Friday and Karen Borre is chair for Sat & Sun. Kathy Bohm is secretary for all three days!! Many thanks to Kathy for taking this on!! Our judges are Karyn Beyer from California, Val Horney from Colorado, and Phil Atkinson from Massachusetts. Any volunteers who would like to help (absolutely no experience needed...promise!!) can contact Peggy or Karen. This should be a fun weekend for all. Come and cheer on our wonderful working Berners!

Peggy Granger & Karen Borre





2018 Back-2-Back





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 BMD Health Site
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 (Behaf)
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 2018

The BMDCSEW is currently looking to renew and update the Breeder Referral listing for 2018. 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 *at club events in the past year*. If you would like to participate please fill out the form below and mail to:

Sue Wellenstein
 5705 Saint Ives Road
 Oshkosh, WI 54904
 920-231-2881
bugziere@gmail.com

1) Please complete:

Name: _____
 Kennel name: _____
 Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
 Phone number: _____
 E-mail address: _____

2) Check one:

Would you like to be listed as a: breeder or educator

3) Please name the club event(s) in the past year that you volunteered your time at and the task or duty did you perform there:

Club event:

Task performed:

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

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The Yodels Newsletter is intended for educational and BMDCSEW related activities. The Yodels will not publish litter announcements. Please refer litter announcements to the Breeder Referral as posted in the adjoining column.

Publication is anticipated the 5th of the second month. **Deadline** for News, Articles and Advertisements are as follows:

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March 20 Mar-Apr Newsletter
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July 20 Jul-Aug Newsletter
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