



July — August 2016

# Yodels

Bi-monthly newsletter of the  
Bernese Mountain Dog Club of Southeastern Wisconsin  
Website - [bmdcsew.org](http://bmdcsew.org)



THE SWISS COLONY CHEESE DAYS PARADE will step off from the Green County Fairgrounds on:

**Sunday, September 18, 2016, at 12:30 pm.**

The BMDCSEW has been a regular participant in the parade. Please contact Carri Lindblom Borish if you can attend or have questions at:

815-988-7262 or [tdbmds@comcast.net](mailto:tdbmds@comcast.net)

<http://www.cheesedays.com/viewing-the-swiss-colony-cheese-days-parade/>

## 2016 Board Meetings

Sat, January 23, 10:00 am  
Eschweiler's home  
32022 W Hwy K, Hartland

Sun, February 7<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 am  
Thunder Bay Grille  
N14W24130 Tower Place,  
Waukesha, WI 53188

Sat, April 16, 9:00 am  
German Shepherd Club of  
Wisconsin  
W224 S6950 Guthrie Rd  
Big Bend, WI

Sat, June 18, 10:00 am  
Eschweiler's home  
32022 W Hwy K, Hartland

Sat, Sep 24, 3:00 pm or  
After draft test  
Nashotah Park,  
W33 N5113 County Rd C  
Nashotah

Sun, Nov 6, 10:00 am  
Olympia Resort  
1350 Royale Mile Rd  
Oconomowoc

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

## General Member Meetings

Sun, Feb. 7<sup>th</sup>,  
Thunder Bay Grill  
N14W24130 Tower Place  
Waukesha  
11:00 am Dinner  
12:00 PM meeting

Spring Fling  
April 16<sup>th</sup>  
German Shepard Dog Club  
of Wisconsin  
W224 S6950 Guthrie Dr.  
Big Bend (map link)  
Meeting 12:30 pm

Waukesha KC Show  
Sat, July 30<sup>th</sup>  
Waukesha County  
Expo Center  
1000 North view Road  
1 Hour after BMD judging

Bernerfest 2016  
Sept 25<sup>th</sup>  
Nashotah Park  
W330 N5113 Cty Road C  
Nashotah  
9:00 AM or following  
draft walk-through

Fall Annual Meeting  
Sun, Nov 6  
St. Mary's Church  
36014 Sunset Drive  
Dousman, WI  
12:30 PM

## Upcoming BMDCSEW Sponsored Events for 2016

Awards Dinner  
Sunday, February 7  
Thunder Bay Grill  
Waukesha  
11:00 AM

Back-To-Back Specialty  
Friday—Saturday  
Mar 4—5  
Washington Co.  
Expo Center  
3000 Pleasant Valley Rd,  
West Bend

Spring Fling  
April 16<sup>th</sup>  
10:00 AM—4:00 PM  
German Shepard Dog Club  
of Wisconsin

W224 S6950 Guthrie Dr.  
[Big Bend](#) (map link)

Draft / Carting workshop  
Saturday, June 25<sup>th</sup>  
W8521 School Section  
Road  
Darien, WI 53114

Draft Test  
Friday, Sept 23<sup>rd</sup>  
Nashotah Park  
W330 N5113 Cty Road C  
Nashotah, WI

Draft Test  
Sat. Sept 24<sup>th</sup>  
Nashotah Park  
W330 N5113 Cty Road C  
Nashotah

Bernerfest 2016  
Sunday, Sept 25<sup>th</sup>  
Nashotah Park  
W330 N5113 Cty Road C  
Nashotah  
10:30 AM



### TO HELP RUN BENERFEST

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25th  
NASHOTAH PARK  
Hwy C off of Hwy 16

- ◆ RAFFLE
- ◆ GROOMING 101

- ◆ FACE PAINTING
- ◆ GAMES FOR BERNERS AND THEIR FRIENDS
- ◆ AGILITY COURSE FOR FUN ALL DAY LONG
- ◆ BERNER PLAYGROUND ALL DAY LONG
- ◆ TRACKING FOR TREATS
- ◆ MASSAGE

WE NEED PEOPLE TO WORK 2 HOUR SHIFTS

NO PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE NEEDED JUST A HAPPY FUN  
LOVING ATTITUDE

PLEASE CONTACT KERRY WALTERSDORF:  
262-397-8622 OR [stoneg8kerry@gmail.com](mailto:stoneg8kerry@gmail.com)

### BMDCSEW DRAFT WORKSHOP

The Draft workshop at my house in June went well thanks to Kathy Heun and Peggy Granger and Angie Hanson's help. I turned in \$160 dollars from the event with no cost to the club

Kay Wendorf



*Silence is golden; unless you have a puppy. . . then, silence is suspicious. Very ,very suspicious .*

### BMDCA Draft Tests 2016 hosted by BMDCSEW

September 23 (Friday), 24 (Saturday), & 25 (Sunday),  
2016

Nashotah Park, Nashotah, WI

Chair for September 23<sup>rd</sup> test:

Mary Alice Eschweiler

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[Closing date is September 13, 2016](#)

Judges: Friday: Valerie Horney & Patti Davieau

Saturday: Patti Davieau & James Maxwell

Sunday: Valerie Horney & James Maxwell



Volunteers are needed to help. No experience is needed....Really!! There is no better way to learn about draft than by helping and getting a rindside seat to watch!

If you are able to help or have any questions, please contact Mary Alice Eschweiler or Peggy Granger





# BMDCSEW at the 2016 WCKC Show







**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2016**  
**Nashotah PARK**  
**W330 N5113 Cty Road C**  
**Nashotah, WI**  
**10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.**

Park fee \$4.00 per car      BMDCEW entry fee \$5.00 per car load

**FUN FOR PETS AND THIER PEOPLE**

**ENJOY THE DAY LEARNING AND PLAYING:**

<b>GAMES</b>	<b>AGILITY</b>	<b>TRACKING</b>
<b>MASSAGE</b>	<b>GROOMING</b>	<b>RAFFLE</b>
<b>PUPPY PLAYGROUND</b>	<b>THERAPY DOG</b>	
<b>CGC TESTING**</b>	<b>JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP</b>	

***ALASKAN MALMUTE GROUP WILL DEMONSTRAT A WEIGHT PULL  
AT 1:00 PM***

**\*\*CGC testing contact Cindy Kummer 262-968-4834 or [kumm5@aol.com](mailto:kumm5@aol.com)**

**QUESTIONS: Kerry Waltersdorf 262-538-0220 or  
[stoneg8kerry@gmail.com](mailto:stoneg8kerry@gmail.com)**

**FOOD is available to purchase**

**Auction Item: Circus Wagon (Min bid \$75.00)**





## Berner Brags

Brag - Michele Dominy took Serendipity Zivalicious co-owned with me to Muncie show cluster and on Wednesday got Winners Bitch and on Thursday got Winners Bitch, BOW and BOS over specials - thanks to Michele for all the work she has done with Ziva.  
And - my puppy Serendipity Dreamchaser was BOS at the DeKalb show 4-6 month Beginner Puppy class - has won her class or placed in a couple of real shows in BBE and hopefully will take winners at some point in her future

Kay Wendorf

## Study Finds Dogs May Help Prevent Diabetes in Children

By Jen Gabbard

We've known for a while that dogs have great abilities to help us heal and cope with physical and cognitive disabilities. A new study has found that dogs help prevent diabetes in children. The new Finnish study has found that having a dog at home can reduce the chance of developing type 1 diabetes. A study published in the Journal of the American Medical Association Pediatrics finds that contact with dogs during infancy can have an impact on reducing the onset of type 1 diabetes.



*"We can show from previous studies that exposure to dogs prevents airway inflammations," says research professor Suvi Virtanen of THL. "The evidence we have now gained points to a significant protective effect in relation to type 1 diabetes, too. The results are unique on a worldwide scale, and additional research evidence is still needed to support our findings."*

3000 children participated in the study. They were all part of an early onset diabetes prevention study. All of the children had a high hereditary risk of developing diabetes. Many animals were used in the study, from cats to horses, but only the children who had contact with dogs before they were 1-year-old were found to have a lower risk of developing the disease.

There has been previous research suggesting that contact with dogs during early life can help prevent allergies. Research has found that exposure to dogs prevents airway inflammations. With the new study linking dogs to even more protective effects in health researchers are now expanding the study. These findings still need to be confirmed in other populations.



## Memorials for Deceased BMDs of BMDCA Members

Club members who are also BMDCA members; here is a reminder of the directions for submitting memorials for the Alpenhorn.

If you are a member of the Bernese Mountain Dog Club of America and wish to have your BMD listed here, please include all of the following — both the registered and call name of the dog, pertinent dates (DOB and DOD), Berner-Garde ID number, cause of death, a statement (no more than 200 characters, which is approximately 35 words), along with your name, contact address information including email address (which will be used **ONLY** for contact prior to publication) to Lisa Baldwin at [Lisa @ shiretech.com](mailto:Lisa@shiretech.com).

If you have any questions, Lisa can be reached at 206-368-5455 to assist you. Submissions must be received within 6 (six) months of the Berners passing. All submissions will be confirmed prior to publication, via email. Any submissions not complying with these instructions will be subject to editorial license.

## Memorials for Deceased Members of the BMDCA

If you are a family member of a recently deceased Bernese Mountain Dog Club of America member we would like to acknowledge their passing. Please provide their full name, pertinent dates (DOB and DOD), a statement (no more than 1,100 characters, which is approximately 175 words), along with survivors and any memorial instructions, if desired. You may include a picture of the deceased, which will be published in a B&W format alongside of the article in approximately a 2" x 2" size (minimum 300 DPI in .jpg or .tif format only). Please include your name, contact address information including email address (which will be used **ONLY** for contact prior to publication) to Lisa Baldwin at [Lisa @ shiretech.com](mailto:Lisa@shiretech.com).

If you have any questions, Lisa can be reached at 206-368-5455 to assist you. Submissions must be received within 6 (six) months of the Member's passing. All submissions will be confirmed prior to publication, via email. Any submissions not complying with these instructions will be subject to editorial license.

I fully realize that these submissions are not easy, but if you would like to honor your Berner or a deceased BMDCA member, I'm here to help in any way possible. Please feel free to contact me via email or phone for any questions and/or assistance in this regard.

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## What Snoring Says About Your Dog's Health

The Dog Daily By Kim Boatman

Does your dog's snoring keep you up at night? "We seem to put up with dog snoring more than spouse snoring," says Dr. Bernadine Cruz, a Laguna Hills, Calif., veterinarian and nationally recognized expert in companion animal health.



Your dog's snoring, however, is more than an annoyance; it may be an indication of a wide range of health problems. "Any time a dog develops a new sign, such as snoring, it is a good idea to at least check in with your veterinarian," notes Dr. Lauren Boyd, a veterinarian and an internal medicine specialist with Michigan Veterinary Specialists in Auburn Hills, Mich. "Any change could indicate a new problem. If it's not a new problem but is progressing, your dog should also see a veterinarian."

### Why Dogs Snore

Any level of snoring indicates something is at last partially obstructing your dog's airways. Veterinarians say common causes include:

- **Rhinitis** Your dog might have a temporary inflammation in its nose. Dogs can catch upper respiratory infections or even suffer from allergies.
- **Fungal disease** Aspergillosis is a type of fungal disease caused by a mold found in hay, grass clippings and similar environments. Left untreated, this fungal disease can cause discomfort, loss of appetite and serious health problems.
- **Foreign bodies or tumors** Your dog could have inhaled something that is blocking its breathing. Snoring could also indicate a tumor, says Boyd.
- **Dental problems** Bad teeth can cause your dog to snore, says Cruz. A bad tooth can lead to an abscess that penetrates the nasal sinus passages. Left untreated, dental problems can become a source of infection for the whole body, advises Cruz, which could lead to kidney failure down the road.
- **Obesity** Like humans, our dogs are getting plumper. And just as obesity can lead to snoring in humans, it may cause breathing difficulties in dogs. "As your dog breathes in and out, obesity makes the trachea rings slam shut," explains Cruz.

**Breed-related anatomy** Brachycephalic breeds -- the breeds with very short noses, such as English/French bulldogs, Boston terriers and pugs -- have a natural tendency to snore. But it's a good idea to check with your veterinarian to make sure the snoring is normal and not an indication of a health issue, says Cruz. For instance, a pug or Boston terrier might be born with nostrils that are squeezed almost shut. After surgical correction, "the dogs have so much energy. They're running around and finally breathing," says Cruz.

### How to Help Your Dog

Because snoring can be related to so many different causes, Boyd and Cruz emphasize the importance of having your snoring dog evaluated. You can help your veterinarian by being an observant dog owner. Keep a pet diary to note changes in your dog's behavior and health so a veterinarian can look for patterns. For example, if your dog was snoring and sneezing last May and again this May, it might have an allergy tied to spring blooms.

Use your smartphone to videotape your snoring dog instead of trying to describe the snores. The volume or pattern of snoring isn't the only information that will help your veterinarian, says Boyd. "It is often helpful to know if the snoring is accompanied by sneezing, nasal discharge or nasal bleeding," she says. "It is also helpful to know if the discharge or bleeding affects both sides of the nose or just one." If the nasal discharge is watery, your dog is likely suffering from an allergy or something similar, says Cruz. A mucous-laden or bloody discharge is an indication that your dog needs to see a veterinarian immediately.

Don't simply tolerate your dog's snoring. "It can really decrease your dog's quantity of life and your dog's quality of life," says Cruz. "If you've ever had that really bad cold and can't breathe and can't eat, then you know how hard it is to live with a breathing problem."



"A dog reflects the family life. Whoever saw a frisky dog in a gloomy family, or a sad dog in a happy one? Snarling people have snarling dogs, dangerous people have dangerous ones." — **Arthur Conan Doyle, The Case-Book of Sherlock Holmes**



"Just give me a comfortable couch, a dog, a good book, and a woman. Then if you can get the dog to go somewhere and read the book, I might have a little fun." — **Groucho Marx**



"If you don't own a dog, at least one, there is not necessarily anything wrong with you, but there may be something wrong with your life. Dogs are not our whole life, but they make our lives whole." — **Roger A. Caras**



"The dog is the most faithful of animals and would be much esteemed were it not so common. Our Lord God has made His greatest gifts the commonest." — **Martin Luther**



### Some Websites that you may be interested in:

[www.bmdca.org/](http://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](http://www.bestbeau.ca/BMD_Health_Info_Links.html) BMD Health Site  
[www.pettravel.com](http://www.pettravel.com) Pet friendly travel accommodations  
[www.dogbitelaw.com](http://www.dogbitelaw.com) Dog Bite Law  
[www.barcinc.net/](http://www.barcinc.net/) Bernese Auction Rescue Coalition  
[www.akc.org](http://www.akc.org) Official American Kennel Club Site  
[www.rallyobedience.com/](http://www.rallyobedience.com/) Rally obedience Site  
[www.uexplore.com/health/poisonplants.htm](http://www.uexplore.com/health/poisonplants.htm) Plants that are Poisonous for Dogs  
[www.vet.upenn.edu/pennhip/index.html](http://www.vet.upenn.edu/pennhip/index.html) University of Pennsylvania Hip Improvement  
[Offa.org](http://Offa.org) Orthopedic Foundation for Animals  
[www.vmdb.org/cerf.html](http://www.vmdb.org/cerf.html) Canine Eye Registry Foundation (CERF)  
[www.caninehealthinfo.org/chicinfo.html](http://www.caninehealthinfo.org/chicinfo.html) Canine Health Information Center  
[www.behaf.org/](http://www.behaf.org/) Berner Emergency Health Assistance Foundation (Behalf)  
[www.bmdcni.org/index.html](http://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](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:

**Linda Packard**  
 2 Current Court  
 Galena, IL 61036  
 815-776-0192  
[lindapack@jcwifi.com](mailto:lindapack@jcwifi.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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· \$10 per half page copy ready / \$20 editor set-up  
· \$5.00 per quarter page copy ready / \$10 editor set-up  
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### **Litter announcements**

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 5<sup>th</sup> of the second month. **Deadline** for News, Articles and Advertisements are as follows:

**January 20 Jan-Feb Newsletter**  
**March 20 Mar-Apr Newsletter**  
**May 20 May-Jun Newsletter**  
**July 20 Jul-Aug Newsletter**  
**September 30 Sep-Oct Newsletter**  
**November 20 Nov-Dec Newsletter**

Articles written by members of the BMDCSEW on any topic/subject that may be of interest to Bernese members are welcome. Non copyrighted articles or those that can be reprinted with permission are welcome as well.

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