



# Mason-Dixon Bernese Mountain Dog Club

## Berner Tales

Summer 2008

### *2008 Calendar*

**July 21- Board Meeting**, Al Dente,  
York, PA, 7pm

**August 9- Penn Ridge KC Show-  
Supported Entry with tailgate and  
General club meeting afterwards.**

**Sept. 15- Board Meeting**, Macaroni  
Grill, Lancaster, PA 7pm

**Sept. 20- Fall Match at Papillonia  
Training Facility, Felton, PA.**  
Conformation. Obedience, CGC testing  
and Rally

**Oct. 19- Halloween Picnic and  
General Club meeting, Parkton, MD.**  
Covered dish, doggy costume contest  
and fun for members and guests.

**Nov. 17- Board Meeting**, Al Dente,  
York, PA 7pm

**Dec. 6- Holiday Party and General  
Club Meeting at Papillonia Training  
Facility, Felton, PA.** Covered dish,  
doggy games and prizes, **Jan. 4,  
2008- CERF Clinic at Kay Ames  
School for Dogs, Lancaster, PA.**  
CERF exams, microchips and photos.

### *Supported Entry and, Potluck*

#### *Saturday, August 9, 2009*

Be sure to mark you calendar for the Penn Ridge Kennel Club show at the Harrisburg PA Farm Show Complex on Saturday, August 9. The MDBMDC is supporting the entry for Bernese Mountain Dogs. Puppy and Veteran Sweeps judge is Bill Hamilton, a breeder judge. Regular classes will be judged by Joanne Gerow who is also a breeder judge. The MDBMDC is offering trophies and the BMDCA will provide BOB and HIT medallions.

The show is in the new large AIR CONDITIONED building so you and your dogs will be comfortable! The club will have a potluck luncheon following the show on the grassy area north of the show building. The club will provide drinks and sandwiches. Please bring a salad or dessert to share and items for the auction.

The ring times and location will be available at <http://www.raudogshows.com> about 1 week before the show. Look under judging programs on the Rau home page.

## *Berner in the News*

Mary Merrell (MDBMDC Rescue chair for PA) and Pippa are part of KPETS - Keystone Pet-Enhanced Therapy Services. This summer, along with two other people and their pets - Beamer a Maine Coon Cat and Rosie - a collie, Mary and Pippa were part of a two week writing workshop at the New Oxford Area Library hosted by KPETS.

Mary posted the address for a very nice newspaper article about the workshop and the role the three animals (and their owners) played in working with the students to create, write and illustrate a story that included the two dogs and the cat.

([http://www.eveningsun.com/ci\\_9742934](http://www.eveningsun.com/ci_9742934))

Mary and Pippa also work in a monthly reading program at the library. Children who need help in reading find reading aloud to an animal easier.

Pippa was from an Amish puppy mill and was rescued when she was in danger of be killed. She is now a therapy dog. Two foster dogs from the Mason-Dixon BMDC Rescue have recently gone or are going to permanent homes. Maddie was fostered by Gail Moscorel and is now living with Barb Moyer. Sophie has been fostered by Babs and Dan Winicur. Please excuse me if the spelling isn't perfect.

## *Braggs*

Folks are so busy that the brags are not coming in. I know Cathie Shipe has a bunch from the shows she has been to, including many in Canada, but she was off to Canada again.

Dawn Cox's boy Tanner took an Award of Merit at the BMDCA National Specialty in RI and a Group 2 at the shows in Richmond VA.

A number of club members made the trip to Rhode Island for the BMDCA Specialty. The site and weather were great. No one is sure where the life size painted Brown Swiss cow that the club bought is going to live. The fake cows looked quite decorative on the hill above the ring and at the show entrance, but Valerie's puppy girl Justy thought they were very scary. She likes the neighbor's horses fine.

***DON'T MISS THE SUPPORTED  
ENTRY, POTLUCK AND CLUB  
MEETING SATURDAY AUGUST 9,  
2008 AT THE HARRISBURG FARM  
COMPLEX***

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