

MDBMDC/BMDCA Specialty

For complete results for all 5 days of the **Celtic Classic** March 17-21, go to www.raudogshows.com and select Results. The quality of the Berners entered is indicated by the fact that 3 different Berners took BOB during the 5 days and ALL of them placed in Group all 5 days!

WD Anastacia's Diggin' For Gold RN
RWD Lewa's Ya Gotta Believe
BOW/WB Anastacia's Forbidden Fruit
RWB Bente
BOB/G3 CH Blumoon Tanzenite v
Blackrock CD
BOS CH Brightwater's Just a Wicked
Ryhme

Draft Test April 10 and 11 John Rudy Park

DO NOT MISS the draft test. Whether or not you ever want to train your dog for draft, you should see what the big dogs (and some small ones too) can do! And if you think you might want to train for draft, the absolute best way to start is by watching a test.



Two old pudgy ladies doing draft

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Rescue update:

We recently placed Sasha into her forever home. Sasha was a 6yo female that came to us from another rescue in PA that takes in unwanted/older breeding dogs from puppy mills. Sasha was fostered by **Babs and Dan Winicur**, where she learned house manners and basic obedience. She loved her foster brother Merlin and amused the Winicurs with her antics, such as hauling her crate blanket out the doggie door for a little tug-of-war with Merlin or making snow angels. Sasha was adopted by a family in Baltimore, where she has a Berner brother named Bosley. According to her new parents, Sasha and Bosley adore each other and like to hang out on the bed. She has even learned to come down the scary basement stairs to spend time with her family in the evenings.

Upcoming Rescue Events:

Delaware DogFest - April 18; 10am - 2pm; St. Anthony in the Hills, Avondale, PA

Dog's Day in the Park - May 16; 10am - 3pm; John Rudy Park, York, PA; **general club meeting**

Both of these events are dog-friendly with many activities for you and your dog to participate in.

To Brenda

Many people sent in memories of Brenda to be shared with her family and friends. Here is one:

Dear Brenda;

I said good-bye to you today; it was hard, but I'm better for it because I knew you.

I will always have fun at Specialties, because that's how I knew you.

I will raise a glass with friends, sometimes where I shouldn't, because that's how I knew you.

I will laugh, sometimes a little too loud, because that's how I knew you.

I will remember how sweet someone blushing is because that's how I knew you.

I will cherish my friendship with my own mom, because that's how I knew you.

I will love my dogs a little more, because that's why I knew you.

I will try to be positive, happy, and smile because that's why as a friend I loved you.

I will be a better person simply because I knew you.

Mike Lella

Mason Dixon Bernese Mountain Dog Club

Calendar of Events

- i. May 10- [Board Meeting](#) at Knicker's Pub Restaurant, York PA at 6:30 on the patio. Contact Jill Shaeffer at JillsBerner33@aol.com for details.
- ii. May 14- Petapalooza at Farm Show Arena, Harrisburg, PA. Rescue and pet fun day. Contact April Clark at jabbclark@comcast.net for details
- iii. June 25- Pool Party at Dawn Cox's, Hanover, PA. Tailgate picnic with main food and drinks provided, please bring covered dish to share. [General meeting](#) to follow. This is a pet friendly event to well behaved dogs (lg. fenced in yard). Contact Dawn Cox at cox215@comcast.net for details.
- iv. July 12- [Board Meeting](#) at Knicker's Pub Restaurant, York, PA at 6:30 on the patio. Contact Jill Shaeffer at JillsBerner33@aol.com for details.
- v. August 13- Supported Entry at Penn Ridge Kennel Club, Harrisburg, PA at the Farm Show Arena. Tailgate picnic with main food and drinks provided, please bring covered dish to share. [General meeting](#) to follow. Contact Jill Shaeffer at JillsBerner33@aol.com for more details.
- vi. Sept. 13- [Board Meeting](#) at Knicker's Pub Restaurant, York ,PA at 6:30 on the patio. Contact Jill Shaeffer at JillsBerner33@aol.com for more details.
- vii. Oct. 1- Bark in the Park, Nottingham, PA and Dog's Day in the Park, York, PA. Rescue and pet fun days. Contact April Clark at jabbclark@comcast.net for more details.
- viii. Oct. 16- Halloween Picnic at Valerie Chase's farm, Parkton, MD. Tailgate picnic with main food and drinks provided, please bring covered dish to share. [General meeting](#) to follow. Contact Valerie Chase at vchase529@att.net for more details.
- ix. Nov. 8- [Board Meeting](#) at Eagles' Nest Restaurant, York, PA at 6:30. Contact Jill Shaeffer at JillsBerner33@aol.com for more details.
- x. Nov. 26- Westminster Holiday Parade, Westminster, MD- Walk with our club and Potomac Valley in the local Holiday parade with our decorated car, dog carts, sometime dogs and us. Contact Sue Eller at berknees@yahoo.com for more details.
- xi. Jan. 8, 2012- Health Clinic, Dog Sense, Lancaster, PA w/ CERF and Cardio testing as well as microchipping, AKC DNA and Vetgen vWD tests available. [Board meeting](#) to follow. Contact Jackie Caracciolo at jacara@comcast.net for more details.

Mason-Dixon Bernese Mountain Dog Club

2011 Membership Renewal Notice

Attention - All Mason-Dixon Bernese Mountain Dog Club members...
It's that time again and the 2011 Membership Dues are due ☺

Membership rates for 2011 are as follows:

Individual Membership - \$15.00
 Couple Membership - \$20.00
 Family Membership - \$25.00
 Associate (Non-Voting/Newsletter Only) Membership - \$10.00

Please make all checks payable to *Mason-Dixon Bernese Mountain Dog Club*. Membership dues payments, along with this form are to be sent directly to the club treasurer at the following address: *Jackie Caracciolo, 1495 Bonbar Road, York, PA 17403*. In order for you to be properly credited as a paid member-in-good-standing, it's very important that your membership dues information be **received no later than May 1, 2011**.

Individual Membership @ \$15.00	Amount Remitted	\$ _____
Couple Membership @ \$20.00	Amount Remitted	\$ _____
Family Membership @ \$25.00	Amount Remitted	\$ _____
Associate Membership @ \$10.00	Amount Remitted	\$ _____

Please provide complete information below for all persons included in your membership dues payment:

Name _____	Name _____
Name _____	Name _____
Address _____	
Phone _____	Phone _____
Email _____	Email _____

Dog name(s) and age(s):

I wish to contribute to the *Berner Rescue Fund*. Enclosed is my contribution of \$_____ for this fund.

Please indicate any suggestions and/or comments regarding ideas &/or dog activities you would like to see take place or that you would volunteer for:

Please circle your area(s) of interest:
 Owner Breeder Dog shows Conformation Obedience Therapy Agility Tracking Carting/Drafting
 Other: _____

Thank you for your membership and interest in the club! ☺

Mason Dixon Bernese Mountain Dog Club

Meeting Minutes from Celtic Classic March 19, 2011

Attendance: 11 members

The meeting came to order at 3:07pm.

Minutes of last meeting: Halloween Picnic meeting minutes read by secretary.

Report of Treasurer: Total for funds as of March Celtic Classic meeting is \$8327

Old Business:

1) Celtic Classic- Thank you to all who supported our Specialty and Supported Entry and many thanks to all who volunteered their time to help pull this off. We had a wonderful turnout this year with over 80 entries!!

2) Draft Clinic- In conjunction with Watchung club, Sat. and Sun. March 26 and 27. We desperately need volunteers on Sunday for grounds crew, ways-n-means, hospitality, and stewards.

3) Club dues for 2011 are due anytime. Please contact Jackie Caracciolo to send your check or for more info at jjcara@comcast.net.

4) Yahoo members list- Once again we are trying to get our members to join our online Yahoo list. If you do not know how or want more info, please contact Jill Shaeffer at jillsberner33@aol.com.

5) Ideas for next year- We are looking to have more activities involving pet owners and families. Suggested ideas are Dog walk in spring or Pool party at Dawn's in the summer. If you have any idea, please contact a Board member.

If anyone is interested in doing a dog walk in early May, please contact Jill at JillsBerner33@aol.com We would love to start that tradition again as it is fun and the dogs love it!!

6) Rescue-

a) Kendall Valentine has gone to his forever home and seems to be doing very well.

b) No other rescues at this time.

New Business:

1) Supported Entry- We again will be supporting the entry at the Penn Ridge show in Harrisburg, PA on Saturday August 13th at the Farm Show Arena. We will have our tailgate and general club meeting after Best of Breed like usual. Please come and support the club!

2) Pool Party- Because the Dog's Day in the Park moved to September and the Supported Entry is in early August, we have decided to move the Pool Party at Dawn Cox's to tentatively Saturday June 25th. This will be a tailgate party with everyone bringing a dish to share and main meal and drinks provided. This is a pet friendly party to well behaved dogs (large fenced in yard). More details to follow.

3) National Specialty- In 2012, we, as a club, have volunteered to chair hospitality. This means we need to have people at the hospitality area from 6-10am each day and make sure food and drink are provided. If anyone will be attending and like to help, please contact Dawn Cox at cox215@comcast.net

4) New Members- Welcome new member Heather Thibault! Heather is our vet tech that works her butt off at our health clinic doing micro-chipping.

6) Next Meeting- Pool Party tentatively scheduled for June 25th.

Meeting adjourned at 3:45pm.

Respectfully submitted by Jill Shaeffer
March 30, 2011