

AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB RULES & REGULATIONS GOVERN THESE EVENTS

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ENTRIES CLOSE at Superintendent's Office at 12:00 Noon PDT, **WEDNESDAY, APRIL 14, 2021** after which time entries cannot be accepted, cancelled, altered, or substituted except as provided for in Ch. 11, Sec. 6 of Rules Applying to Dog Shows, or Ch. 1, Sec. 16 of the Obedience Regulations.



PREMIUM LIST

The Bernese Mountain Dog Club of America, Inc.

46th Annual National Specialty Show

- Conformation w/NOHS • Futurity • Jr. Showmanship
• Obedience • Rally • Sweepstakes
• Veteran Sweepstakes • 4-6 Month Puppy
• Top 20 • Versatility Showcase

(Unbenched – Member of the American Kennel Club)

Sunday, May 9, 2021

through **Saturday, May 15, 2021**

Estes Park Event Complex

1125 Rooftop Way, Estes Park, CO 80517

Proudly Hosted by:

*The Bernese Mountain Dog Club of America, Inc.,
Bernese Mountain Dog Club of the Rockies,
Grand Canyon Bernese Mountain Dog Club,
Heartland Bernese Mountain Dog Club, and
Lone Star Bernese Mountain Dog Club*

All Events Indoors at Host Hotel and Events Complex, unless otherwise noted

Show and Trial Hours: 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Each Day

VISIT OUR WEB PAGE: www.bmdca.org/specialty/2021

An AKC DNA profile number is required for all entrants (see details, page 3)

Effective January 1, 2010: All dogs must be either individually registered with either the AKC or a foreign registry organization whose pedigrees are acceptable for AKC registration in order to participate in any AKC Conformation, Performance, or Companion event. See details and FAQs here: http://www.akc.org/rules/exhibit_rule_change.cfm



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TENTATIVE SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

*All events will be held at The Estes Park Events Complex unless otherwise noted.
Schedule is subject to change based on entry numbers.*

SUNDAY, MAY 9

- BMDCA Board Meeting
- Herding at Estes Park Events Complex
- Tracking at Boyd Lake State Park, Loveland, CO
- Registration opens at Ridgeline Hotel

MONDAY, MAY 10

- Registration at Ridgeline Hotel
- Draft Test #1 Stanley Ball Park, Estes Park
- Agility at Progressive School for Dogs, Greeley, CO
- Vendors Move-in
- Grooming opens 3:00PM
- Berner University at Ridgeline Hotel
- Breeders Symposium Lecture

TUESDAY, MAY 11

- Registration at Catalog Sales
- Sweepstakes
- 2020 Futurity
- Draft Test #2&3 Stanley Ball Park, Estes Park
- Catalog Sales Open
- Vendors Open
- Juniors Handling Clinic & Grooming Mentorship
- Photo Contest at Events Center
- Title Holders Gallery
- Raffle opens
- Berner-Garde
- Berner University
- Welcome Reception at Ridgeline Hotel

WEDNESDAY, MAY 12

- Registration at Catalog Sales
- Versatility Showcase
- 2021 Futurity
- Veteran Sweepstakes
- Obedience Trial
- Top Twenty Pre-Judging
- International Reception
- Health Clinics
- Berner-Garde
- Juniors' Activity—Field Trip
- Photo Contest
- Title Holders Gallery
- Raffle
- Top Twenty Gala

THURSDAY, MAY 13

- Registration at Catalog Sales
- Beginner Puppy

- Regular Conformation Dog Classes
- Veterans Parade at Lunch Break
- Veteran Dog Classes
- Non-Regular Classes (Stud Dog)
- Rally Trial
- Team Obedience
- Berner-Garde
- Photo Contest
- Title Holders Gallery
- Raffle
- Juniors Obedience Clinic & Pizza Party
- Health Auction

FRIDAY, MAY 14

- Registration at Catalog Sales
- Regular Conformation Bitch Classes
- Veteran Bitch Classes
- Non-Regular Classes (Brood Bitch, Brace)
- Scent Work Trial, Events Complex
- Draft Test #4 at Stanley Ball Park, Estes Park
- Judges' Education Ringside Mentoring
- Photo Contest Closes
- Galleries Close
- Raffle Closes
- Berner-Garde
- Judges' Education Seminar & Ringside Mentoring
- BMDCA Annual Meeting and Awards Banquet at host hotel

SATURDAY, MAY 15

- Registration at Catalog Sales
- Junior Showmanship
- Best of Breed (followed by NOHS, Best Puppy, Best Bred By Exhibitor, Best Veteran)
- Judges' Education—ringside mentoring
- Judges' Dinner at host hotel

KNOW THE RULES BEFORE YOU COMPETE:
All exhibitors should obtain a copy of the Rules Applying to Dog Shows and other event regulations by contacting the American Kennel Club, 5580 Centerview Dr., Raleigh, NC 27606-3390, by phone at 919-233-9767, by email at info@akc.org, or by downloading from their website at www.akc.org.

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Video Disclaimer This show will be professionally video recorded and available for live streaming. No other commercial video recording, video recording from a tripod, monopod or other supported camera/device, or any video recording or streaming of large parts or whole classes shall be permitted. The contract terms permit individuals to record small bits of video of their own dogs only, and using handheld devices only (e.g. phone, tablet or small camcorder). Individuals may post recorded videos of their own dogs to social media (Facebook, YouTube, etc). However, during show hours LIVE Broadcast Streaming to social media (e.g., Facebook Live) is not permitted. Submission of an entry form and/or physical presence on the show grounds shall constitute both implied and real consent for both the handler and the dog to be professionally video recorded and streamed live only by the professional video services as contracted by the Club for this show. All rights to the commercial filming, electronic transmission, broadcast, distribution of images and exploitation of all events held under AKC rules are owned by AKC ("commercial filming and/or electronic transmission"). AKC has the unlimited, irrevocable access, right and authority to film, record, photograph, videotape, livestream, and/or broadcast at all events and each of them. No spectator, participant, owner, handler, breeder, or kennel shall make commercial use of any video recordings of any person or animal participating in this event without prior written approval from the Club. This event may not be broadcast to social media (e.g., Facebook Live, etc.) without prior written approval from the Club.

SHOW VETERINARIAN – ON CALL – 970-586-6898

Animal Medical Center of Estes Park – 1260 Manford Ave, Estes Park, CO 80517

Distance to show site: 1/4 mile. On call after hours. www.amcestes.vetstreet.com

Hours: 8:00AM-5:00PM Mon-Fri. 8:00AM-12:00PM SAT. Closed Sun.

24 Hour Emergency - Four Seasons Veterinary Specialists • 970-800-1106

Distance to show site: 35 miles – 4120 Clydesdale Pkwy, Loveland, CO 80538

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Regular & Non-Regular Bitch Classes, Brace, & Brood Bitch:

Ms. Kimberly Anne Meredith [5978].....5315 AVERILL DR, GRANTS PASS, OR 97526

2020 Futurity:

Mrs. Sarah Tennessen.....N4801 430th ST, MENOMONIE, WI 54751

2021 Futurity:

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ATTENTION EXHIBITORS! – AKC DNA PROFILE REQUIRED FOR ENTRY

The BMDCA requires each entrant to provide a valid AKC DNA Profile Number for the dog entered on the Official Entry Form at time of entry. AKC DNA numbers are not required for Special Attractions such as parades. Failure to meet these requirements will render the dog ineligible to enter the event. This may result in the loss of all awards earned at the event, as well as subject the entrant to possible disciplinary action by the AKC and/or BMDCA, including but not limited to suspension from club privileges and entry of club events. All DNA numbers will be verified by the BMDCA within 30 days after the National Specialty. DNA kits can be obtained from the AKC Online Store at www.akc.org. DON'T DELAY! STANDARD PROCESSING TIME IS 6-8 WEEKS AFTER RECEIPT! If it has been more than 8 weeks since the DNA sample was submitted to AKC and you have not received a DNA profile number AND need it for your 2021 Specialty entry, call AKC DNA Operations at 919-816-3508 to obtain a preliminary DNA number (accepted in extenuating circumstances only).

Please allow sufficient time for the AKC to receive your sample and call NO LATER THAN one week prior to close of entries. Be sure to mention "BMDCA National Specialty" to expedite your request.

See pages 17-19 of this Premium List for information about Agility, Draft, Herding, Scentwork, Tracking Tests, Triathlete Award & Fan Award. Top 20 Gala is on page 24. Premium Lists for these events can be downloaded at <http://bmdca.org/specialty/2021>

RESERVED GROOMING –

NOTE: GROOMING AND CRATING IS ALLOWED IN DESIGNATED AREAS ONLY.

Due to LIMITED GROOMING SPACES, sharing of grooming spaces is encouraged.

NOTE: At the time of publication, it is unknown which COVID-19 protocols will be required during the event by the AKC, the state of Colorado, or Larimer County. It is possible that indoor blow-drying will not be permitted, in which case provisions will be made for an outdoor blow-drying area.

Exhibitors may reserve a 10' x 8' grooming space for \$100 or 10' x 5' grooming space for \$50, which includes one electrical plug with 20 amps of power, for the entire show period. Paid reserved spaces will be indoors in the Pavilion building adjacent to the Event Center. All spaces are on a first come, first served basis through Master Registration until capacity is reached. Exhibitors are encouraged to bring floor mats and a UL-listed heavy-duty exterior extension cord properly rated for their equipment amperage. Generators and electric heaters are prohibited. All extension cords and dryers are subject to inspection, and non-compliant equipment may be removed by show personnel.

A limited number of reserved grooming van/box truck or day parking spaces will also be available for \$100 for the entire show period on a first come, first served basis through Master Registration. No electricity will be provided for grooming van spaces. Vehicle length is limited to 24 feet, and no cab/truck trailer combos will be allowed.

All set-ups will be supervised by the Grounds Committee as representatives of the BMDCA. The Club reserves the right to restrict the number of grooming tables and to rearrange grooming areas and set-ups as required by circumstances for the safety and convenience of all. This includes moving crates, tables, and other equipment. Exhibitors are expected to comply with all Club rules as laid out by the BMDCA and/or those necessitated by public health.

ADDITIONAL GROOMING, CRATING, AND SITE INFORMATION FOR EXHIBITORS AND ATTENDEES

- MOVE-IN: Begins Monday, May 10 at 3:00pm
- GROOMING SPACES MUST BE VACATED IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE COMPLETION OF ALL CONFORMATION EVENTS ON SATURDAY, MAY 15.
- The grooming area will be open daily from 6:00am (except for move-in day as indicated above) until 10:00pm, except for Saturday, May 15. Electrical power will be provided in the grooming area only between the hours of 7:00AM to 9:00PM. The Pavilion building will be closed from 10:00pm until 6:00am and will be patrolled. DOGS ARE NOT PERMITTED TO STAY OVERNIGHT IN THE GROOMING AREA.
- The BMDCA and the show committee will not be responsible for theft or damage of items left in the grooming area. Participants are encouraged to use good judgment when leaving dogs, personal items, or equipment unattended.
- Parties wishing to set up together should submit forms under the same Group Name.
- No additional crating may be reserved or saved. Additional crating will be provided free of charge in a nearby barn building. This building is not heated/cooled and no power will be provided.
- We do have overflow grooming planned for adjacent Horse Barns; these will be available at no charge, on a first come, first served basis. Personal generators can be used but must remain outside of the buildings.
- At time of move-in, exhibitors will be required to supply contact information, including hotel, room number, and cell phone number.
- An outdoor area immediately adjacent to the Pavilion (Grooming) building will be provided with three to six bathing stations.

- Exhibitors and handlers will be held responsible for clean conditions in/around their assigned space.
- Absolutely no x-pens will be allowed in the grooming area except within the assigned grooming space.
- Bathing/Grooming is not allowed in any hotel room.
- Participants and visitors must abide by the posted signs on the show grounds; failure to do so will result in a warning and possible ejection from the show site and/or event.
- Ringside chairs are NOT to be taken to the grooming area.

AKC SANCTIONED 4-6 MONTHS PUPPY COMPETITION

*Entries Close at the Superintendent's office
on Wednesday, April 14, 2021, 12:00PM PDT*

One combined class will be offered for Bernese Mountain Dogs that are (4) four months & under (6) six months old on Thursday, May 13, 2021. An AKC registration number or AKC litter number will be required for all entries. A foreign-born dog may enter this class if they are registered in the country of origin.

Dogs are required to be vaccinated (including rabies) in accordance with their veterinarian's protocol in order to avoid inadvertent transmission of illness by/to puppies not yet fully immunized.

Dogs that are owned or co-owned by a professional handler may compete in this class, but must be handled by a non-professional handler. Professional handlers are defined as any person who belongs or has belonged to a professional handlers' organization, distributed rate cards, or otherwise advertised or represented themselves as handling dogs for pay within the last five years. Dogs may not be exhibited by current assistants or household members of a professional handler. A current assistant is defined as anyone employed by a professional handler on a full-time basis, or, assisting a professional handler at the show or any show during the cluster/weekend. Minors (under 18) with amateur status who reside with professional handlers and current assistants to professional handlers that are eligible to compete in Junior Showmanship (meet age and amateur status requirements) may personally exhibit dogs in the Four-to-Six Month (Beginner Puppy) Competition.

AKC Rules in Dealing with Misconduct will be applicable to any person and dog entered at this competition. All applicable rules found in Rules Applying to Dog Shows will govern the conduct of this competition unless these regulations state otherwise. Exhibitors should plan on opening the mouth of their puppy for the judges. Breed standard disqualifications such as color, height, weight or dentition shall not be a point of consideration in the judging process for this competition. Entry Fee: \$10.00 (including AKC recording fee of \$2.00 for each dog. These fees are paid to the AKC).

**NO PUPPIES UNDER THE AGE OF SIX (6) MONTHS, EXCEPT THOSE PARTICIPATING
IN THE 4-6 MONTH PUPPY COMPETITION, MAY BE ON THE GROUNDS.**

CLASSIFICATION – CLASSES COMBINED

Puppy, 4 & Under 6 months

PRIZES

Best 4 & Under 6 Month Puppy in Show: Prairie Dog Totem

Best of Opposite Sex 4 & Under 6 Month Puppy in Show: Prairie Dog Totem

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ENTRY FEES

Conformation & Obedience

(Each First Entry Fee includes \$3.00 AKC Event Service Fee & \$.50 AKC Recording Fee.
Each recordable Second Entry Fee includes \$3.00 AKC Event Service Fee.)

First Entry of a Dog Unless Otherwise Specified	\$40.00
Each Additional Entry of the Same Dog Unless Otherwise Specified	\$30.00
Versatility Showcase	\$40.00
Junior Showmanship Only	\$10.00
Junior Showmanship as an Additional Class.....	NO FEE
Stud Dog and Brood Bitch Classes per Unit.....	\$30.00
Conformation Brace Class per Dog (must be entered in another class)	\$20.00
Sweepstakes Class & Veteran Sweepstakes Class	\$30.00
Futurity	\$30.00
Beginner Puppy 4-6 Months.....	\$10.00
Obedience Brace Class per Dog (First or Additional Entry)	\$20.00
Obedience Team Class per Dog (First or Additional Entry).....	\$10.00

Rally (Entries must include dog's jump height where applicable)

(Each First Entry Fee includes \$3.50 AKC Recording Fee, and \$3.00 for each additional entry)

First Entry of a Dog	\$40.00
Additional Entry of the Same Dog	\$30.00
Rally Team Novice Class per Dog	\$10.00

RIBBON PRIZES

Regular Classes

First Prize	Blue Rosette	Second Prize	Red Rosette
Third Prize.....	Yellow Rosette	Fourth Prize	White Rosette
Winners	Purple Rosette	Reserve Winners	Purple & White Rosette
Best of Breed	Purple & Gold Rosette	Best of Winners.....	Blue & White Rosette
Best of Opposite Sex to Best of Breed			Red & White Rosette
Select Dog & Bitch	Light Blue & White Rosette	Awards of Merit	Dark Green Rosette
Best Puppy	Dark Green Rosette	Best Bred by Exhibitor.....	Dark Green Rosette
Best Veteran	Dark Green Rosette	NOHS Best of Breed	Maroon Rosette
Best Junior Handler	Rose & Green Rosette	Reserve Junior Handler	Rose & Gray Rosette

Obedience & Rally Classes

First Prize	Blue Rosette	Second Prize	Red Rosette
Third Prize.....	Yellow Rosette	Fourth Prize	White Rosette
Highest Scoring Dog in the Regular Obedience Classes.....			Blue & Gold Rosette
Highest Combined Score in Open B & Utility Classes			Blue & Green Rosette
Highest Combined Score in Advanced B and Excellent B Classes.....			Blue & Green Rosette
Highest Triple Q Score in Advanced B, Excellent B, Master Classes.....			Blue & Red Rosette
Qualifying Score in Obedience or Rally			Dark Green Rosette

Non-Regular Classes

First Prize	Rose Rosette	Second Prize	Brown Rosette
Third Prize.....	Light Green Rosette	Fourth Prize	Gray Rosette

Futurity Ribbons are listed on Pages 12 & 13.

Sweepstakes and Veteran Sweepstakes Ribbons are listed on Page 14

Beginner Puppy 4-6 Months

Best of Breed	Orange Rosette	Best of Opposite Sex	Lavender Rosette
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New Title Ribbons

New title ribbons will be awarded for entries completing a Championship or Grand Championship.

Special Rosette Awards

One rosette only will be awarded to the Breeder(s) of the winners listed below. These will be presented in the ring following the judging of each event. If the breeders are not in attendance, the rosettes will be mailed within 30 days of the show. Additional rosettes can be purchased.

Breeder of Best of Breed

Breeder of Best in Sweepstakes

Breeder of Best in 2020 Futurity

Breeder of Best in Veterans Sweepstakes

Breeder of Best in 2021 Futurity

BREED CLASSIFICATION

REGULAR CLASSES – Bernese Mountain Dogs

Puppy Dogs (6 mos. & under 9 mos.)	Puppy Bitches (6 mos. & under 9 mos.)
Puppy Dogs (9 mos. & under 12 mos.)	Puppy Bitches (9 mos. & under 12 mos.)
Dogs, 12 mos. & under 15 mos.	Bitches, 12 mos. & under 15 mos.
Dogs, 15 mos. & under 18 mos.	Bitches, 15 mos. & under 18 mos.
Amateur-Owner-Handler Dogs	Amateur-Owner-Handler Bitches
Bred by Exhibitor Dogs	Bred by Exhibitor Bitches
American Bred Dogs	American Bred Bitches
Open Dogs	Open Bitches
WINNERS DOG	WINNERS BITCH
BEST OF BREED COMPETITION	

Reserve Winners Dog and Reserve Winners Bitch will be awarded a three-point major, provided the criteria set forth in Chapter 16, Section 1 of the Rules Applying to Dog Shows is met.

Bred by Exhibitor *(BBE) Class Eligibility (revised 09/02)

- All dogs entered in the Bred by Exhibitor Class must be individually registered with the AKC.
- The person handling the dog must be a breeder of record and an owner of record of the dog.
- To exhibit in this class, family members must be a breeder and owner of record.

NON REGULAR CLASSES INVOLVING SINGLE ENTRIES

Winners of each of the following single non-regular classes will go on to compete for Best of Breed.

Veteran Classes 7-9 - Class for Dogs and Class for Bitches **7 years & under 9 years.**

Veteran Classes 9-11 - Class for Dogs and Class for Bitches **9 years & under 11 years.**

Veteran Classes 11+ - Class for Dogs and Class for Bitches **11 years & older.**

Altered Veterans CAN enter the Veteran Conformation Classes at this Specialty.

BEST OF BREED COMPETITION

The following categories of dogs may be entered & shown in the Best of Breed Competition: Dogs that are Champions of Record. Dogs, which according to their owner's records have completed the requirements for a championship but whose championships, are unconfirmed. The entry & showing of dogs whose championships are unconfirmed is limited to a period of 90 days from the date of show where a dog completed the requirements for a championship according to the owner's records. If at the end of the 90-day period, the American Kennel Club has not confirmed the championship of a dog, no further entries of the dog for Best of Breed Competition are to be made until the AKC has confirmed its championship.

NON-REGULAR CLASSES, INVOLVING MULTIPLE ENTRIES

Note: As the judge's decision in these classes will be based on the merits of more than one dog, no one of the dogs making up the entry judged first in the class will be eligible to compete for Best of Breed or Best of Opposite Sex to Best of Breed by virtue of having won the class.

Stud Dog Class and Brood Bitch Class: Each entry is allowed two get unless otherwise specified. The merits of the Stud Dog or Brood Bitch are not considered in the placement of the entry. It is the quality of the get that forms the basis for the judge's decision. All get must be examined and gaited. The Stud Dog or Brood Bitch must also be examined to determine if there is a condition that would require disqualification or excusal under the Rules, AKC policy or the breed standard. All get must be entered in a regular class in order to be eligible to compete in the Stud Dog or Brood Bitch Class. Handlers of the Stud Dog or Brood Bitch, and all get being exhibited, must wear armbands. Ch. 11, Sec. 8 of the "Rules Applying to Dog Shows" provides that "a castrated male may be entered as a Stud Dog in the Stud Dog Class and a spayed bitch may be entered as a Brood Bitch in the Brood Bitch Class."

Brace Class: Two Dogs, performing in unison, and presented by a maximum of two handlers. Both dogs competing in the brace class must have at least one common owner. Both dogs must be entered in a Regular Class or Best of Breed Competition. Dogs comprising a Brace Class must be named at the time of entry, and full particulars must be given for each dog on individual entry forms. An entry form for a dog entered in another class and entered as part of a Brace must be marked accordingly in the space provided for additional classes as "Brace Class." Entry Fee \$20.00 per dog.

SPECIAL NOTICE TO EXHIBITORS

Awards of Merit Up to 10% of dogs entered for Best of Breed may, at the judge's discretion, receive an Award of Merit, excluding the Best of Breed, Best of Opposite Sex to Best of Breed, Select Dog, Select Bitch, Best of Winners, that by virtue of their placements, have already been recognized.

AKC National Owner-Handled Series The purpose of the AKC National Owner-Handled Series (NOHS) is to recognize and showcase the quality dogs being exhibited by owner/handlers and to provide a venue for the owner/handlers to compete against their peers. The determination of the awards in the AKC National Owner-Handled Series is based solely on the quality of the entry. The owner/handler's handling ability is not of consideration.

- Dog must be marked as eligible to compete in the AKC NOHS prior to the closing of entries. There is no additional fee to enter this competition.
- Dogs must be handled by an eligible owner/handler for the AKC NOHS throughout the breed level (all classes, Winners, and Best of Breed) competition. Additionally, dogs must be handled by an eligible owner/handler for all AKC National Owner-Handled Series competition.
- Exhibitors must declare their dog AKC National Owner-Handled Series eligible at the time of entry using the check box on the entry form. The handler must be an owner of record according to the AKC's records as of the date of the show. Dogs declared eligible will be identified by an asterisk or other representative mark in the judge's book, steward's book, and the show catalog.
- **Professional handlers*, household members and current assistants to professional handlers may not exhibit.**
- The Owner-Handled Best of Breed will be selected from the eligible dogs that competed in the Best of Breed/Variety competition. This includes Winners Dog, Winners Bitch, and the undefeated winners of the Non-Regular Classes. This excludes all dogs defeated during Regular Class and Winners competition.
- A procedure that tracks all eligible entries will be used during Best of Breed competition to determine continued eligibility based on the "dogs defeated principle" so that no dog is eliminated without being defeated.

**Professional handler is defined as any person who belongs or has belonged to a professional handlers' organization, distributed rate cards, or otherwise advertised or represented themselves as handling dogs for pay within the last five years. Eligibility restrictions apply to all members of the same household. Household members and current assistants to professional handlers in conformation are not eligible to exhibit in this competition. A current assistant is defined as anyone employed by a professional handler on a full-time basis, or assisting a professional handler at the show or any time during the cluster/weekend. Current assistants that are eligible to compete in Junior Showmanship (meet age & amateur status requirements) may participate in NOHS.*

Best in Puppy Classes will be selected following the completion of selection of Best of Breed. Eligible for competition will be the first place winners from the 6-9 month and 9-12 month Dog and Bitch Puppy Classes.

Best in Bred by Exhibitor Classes will be selected following the completion of Best in Puppy Classes. Eligible for competition will be the first place winners from the Bred by Exhibitor Dog and Bitch Classes. If one of these should be awarded Best of Winners, there would not be further competition and the award would go to the Best of Winners.

Best in Veteran Classes will be selected following the completion of selection of Best in Bred By Exhibitor Classes. Eligible for competition will be the first place winners from all Dog and Bitch Veteran Classes. If one of these should win an award in Best of Breed competition, there would not be further competition and the veteran winning the highest award in Breed competition would also win Best in Veteran Classes.

All prizes listed in this Premium List are offered by the Bernese Mountain Dog Club of America, Inc. through the generosity of its members & friends whose names will be listed in the catalog unless otherwise specified.

TROPHIES MUST BE CLAIMED THE DAYS OF THE EVENTS. NONE WILL BE MAILED. BERNESE MOUNTAIN DOG CLUB OF AMERICA, INC. RESERVES THE RIGHT TO SUBSTITUTE PRIZES OF EQUAL OR GREATER VALUE SHOULD A PRIZE BECOME UNAVAILABLE.

BREED PRIZES

Best of Breed: Rosette & logo embroidered chair, TableWorks grooming table, Custom Iron Artwork by Ramworks

Best of Opposite Sex to Best of Breed: Rosette & logo embroidered chair, TableWorks grooming table

Best Of Winners: Rosette & logo embroidered chair, large RTIC tote,

Winners Dog / Winners Bitch: Rosette & RTIC large cooler & dog bowl

Select Dog/Bitch: Rosette & RTIC weekend travel kit

Awards of Merit: Rosette & Logo Embroidered Grooming Table Cover/Towel

Reserve Winners Dog / Reserve Winners Bitch: Rosette & RTIC medium cooler

Best Puppy from the Regular Puppy Classes: Rosette & RTIC day cooler

Best Bred By Exhibitor: Rosette, RTIC day cooler and Certificate for free AKC Litter Registration.

Best Veteran: Rosette & RTIC day cooler

Owner-Handled Best of Breed: Rosette & RTIC day cooler

First through Fourth Prize, each: Regular & Non-Regular Class: Powder coated pail

JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP – SATURDAY, MAY 15, 2021

JUDGE: MRS. DEBORAH WILKINS

NOVICE CLASS: This shall be for boys and girls who are at least 9 years old and under 18 years old on the day of the show and who at the time entries close have not won three (3) first place awards, with competition present, in a Novice Class. A first place in Novice without competition leading to a Best Junior award with competition would count as one win towards moving to Open at a licensed or member show. Junior Handlers who win a third Novice Class with competition, if a win in Novice leads to a Best Junior with competition present it will count as one win towards moving to Open, after the closing of entries for a show are required to transfer their entry from the Novice Class to the Open Class by notifying the Superintendent or Show Secretary prior to the judging of the class at the show.

OPEN CLASS: For boys and girls who are at least 9 years old and under 18 years old on the day of the show, and who have won three first place awards in a Novice Class or if a win in Novice leads to a Best Junior with competition present it will count as one win towards moving to Open in a licensed or member show. Juniors which according to their records have completed the requirements to compete in the Open class but whose status is unconfirmed by the American Kennel Club are limited to competing in the Open Class for a period of 90 days from the date of the show where the Junior completed the requirements according to their records.

MASTER CLASS: This class will be for boys and girls who are at least 9 years old and under 18 years on the day of the show, and who have 10 Best Junior wins with competition. The calendar for this class will be consistent with the eligibility dates for the AKC National Championship. All Juniors meeting the criteria for this class are required to enter the Master Class and may change their entry the day of the show if entries have already closed. Once the eligibility time frame for that year has passed all participants return to the Open Class to compete for the following year.

NOVICE AND OPEN CLASS DIVIDED: **Junior**-9 years old and under 12 years old on the day of the show; **Intermediate**-12 years old and under 15 years old on the day of the show; **Senior**-15 years old and under 18 years old on the day of the show.

After the judge has awarded the Best Junior Handler, the second place winner from the class that the Junior was awarded Best Junior Handler is to return to the ring to compete for Reserve Best Junior Handler.

NOTICE: Junior Handlers must include their AKC JUNIOR HANDLER NUMBER on each entry. You may obtain your junior identification number by calling the AKC, Judges Education Department, 919-233-9767. BE SURE ALL INFORMATION for Junior Showmanship Classes is entered on front and back of entry form.

NOTE: SUBSTITUTION OF DOG IN JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP AT THE SHOW(S): There will be an Administration Fee of \$5.00 charged for any substitution of dog in Junior Showmanship at each show. In addition, if the dog originally entered in Jr. Showmanship was an additional entry, and the dog being substituted is not otherwise entered in the show, the Junior Showmanship Only fee applies..

Junior Showmanship Prizes

Best Junior Handler: Rosette & garment bag, grooming apron, brush with logo

Reserve Best Junior Handler: Rosette & grooming apron, brush with logo

First through Fourth Prize, Each Junior Showmanship Class: Rosette & custom medallion by Prairie Dog Pottery

2020 FUTURITY – TUESDAY, MAY 11, 2021

JUDGE: MRS. SARAH TENNESSEN

The purpose of the Bernese Mountain Dog Club of America, Inc. (BMDCA) Futurity is to encourage the breeding of the best possible Bernese Mountain Dogs and to reward the breeders for their efforts. Correct and timely nominations of both the litter and individual puppies are required for stake eligibility. The 2020 Futurity includes litters whelped from October 1, 2018, through September 30, 2019.

The Futurity shall be open to all litters bred by BMDCA members in good standing. All participants must comply with the Futurity rules. **The litter must be nominated** by the breeder by submitting the litter nomination form to the Futurity Chairperson along with the fee established in the rules (\$15.00 payable to the BMDCA) **prior to whelping**. The breeder of the litter must be a BMDCA member in good standing at the time of breeding as well as at the time of nomination. If there is more than one breeder of the litter, only one need be a BMDCA member.

Individual puppy nominations must then be submitted to the Futurity Chairperson with the fee established in the rules (\$15.00 payable to the BMDCA) by either the owner(s) or breeder(s) **before the puppy reaches four (4) months of age**. Puppy owners need not be members of the BMDCA.

The nominated puppies must be entered in one of the Regular Classes in either Conformation or Obedience at the BMDCA National Specialty Show and Obedience Trial. Fee for this entry must be paid. Futurity entry must be indicated on the entry form as an Additional Class. There will be an additional fee of **\$30.00** for the entry apart from the previous nomination fees. **The 2020 Futurity Class entered will be based on the age of the puppy on April 1, 2020, and not on the age on the date of the shows.** All dogs will be eligible for only one Futurity.

CLASSIFICATION

EXHIBITORS - DO NOT SELECT YOUR FUTURITY AGE DIVISION. THIS WILL BE DONE FOR YOU. SIMPLY FILL OUT YOUR ENTRY BLANK COMPLETELY. FOR CLASS, ENTER 2020 DOGS, OR 2020 BITCHES.

Puppy Dogs, 6 months & under 9 months Dogs, 12 months & under 15 months
Puppy Dogs, 9 months & under 12 months Dogs, 15 months & under 18 months
(Same Classes for Bitches) Best in Futurity

PRIZE MONEY

All nomination money shall be pooled. The Bernese Mountain Dog Club of America, Inc. shall retain 25% for administrative and judge’s expenses. Any unused expense money will be rolled over into the next year’s prize money. The remaining 75% shall be divided as follows:

Best in Futurity 10%
Breeder of Best in Futurity 20%
Best of Opposite Sex to Best in Futurity 5%
Breeder of Best of Opposite Sex to Best in Futurity 5%
60% Allocated to Classes - Prize money for each class shall be determined by dividing money by the total entries and then multiplying by the number of entries in the class. Class money to be distributed as follows:
One entry 100%
Two entries First - 60%, Second - 40%
Three entries First - 50%, Second - 30%, Third - 20%
Four or more entries First - 40%, Second - 30%, Third - 20%, Fourth - 10%

2020 FUTURITY PRIZES

Best in Futurity: Rosette & Large Custom Platter by Prairie Dog Pottery, 2020 Logo Nancy Giusti Raku Plate

Best of Opposite Sex to Best in Futurity: Rosette & Large Custom Platter by Prairie Dog Pottery

First through Fourth in Each Futurity Class: Rosette & Custom Spoon Rest by Prairie Dog Pottery

AKC DNA PROFILES ARE REQUIRED FOR ENTRANTS AT ALL JUDGED EVENTS.

Space has been provided at the top of each entry form for your dog’s AKC DNA Profile Number and will be published in the show catalog.

YOU MUST ACT NOW if you have NOT yet obtained an AKC DNA profile number for your entry.

See Page 3 for more details

2021 FUTURITY – WEDNESDAY, MAY 12, 2021

JUDGE: MRS. JOANNE PRELLBERG

The purpose of the Bernese Mountain Dog Club of America, Inc. (BMDCA) Futurity is to encourage the breeding of the best possible Bernese Mountain Dogs and to reward the breeders for their efforts. Correct and timely nominations of both the litter and individual puppies are required for stake eligibility. The 2021 Futurity includes litters whelped from October 1, 2019, through September 30, 2020.

The Futurity shall be open to all litters bred by BMDCA members in good standing. All participants must comply with the Futurity rules. **The litter must be nominated** by the breeder by submitting the litter nomination form to the Futurity Chairperson along with the fee established in the rules (\$15.00 payable to the BMDCA) **prior to whelping**. The breeder of the litter must be a BMDCA member in good standing at the time of breeding as well as at the time of nomination. If there is more than one breeder of the litter, only one need be a BMDCA member.

Individual puppy nominations must then be submitted to the Futurity Chairperson with the fee established in the rules (\$15.00 payable to the BMDCA) by either the owner(s) or breeder(s) **before the puppy reaches four (4) months of age**. Puppy owners need not be members of the BMDCA.

The nominated puppies must be entered in one of the Regular Classes in either Conformation or Obedience at the BMDCA National Specialty Show and Obedience Trial. Fee for this entry must be paid. Futurity entry must be indicated on the entry form as an Additional Class. There will be an additional fee of **\$30.00** for the entry apart from the previous nomination fees. **The 2021 Futurity Class entered will be based on the age of the puppy on April 1, 2021, and not on the age on the date of the shows**. All dogs will be eligible for only one Futurity.

CLASSIFICATION

EXHIBITORS - DO NOT SELECT YOUR FUTURITY AGE DIVISION. THIS WILL BE DONE FOR YOU. SIMPLY FILL OUT YOUR ENTRY BLANK COMPLETELY. FOR CLASS, ENTER 2021 DOGS, OR 2021 BITCHES.

Puppy Dogs, 6 months & under 9 months Dogs, 12 months & under 15 months
Puppy Dogs, 9 months & under 12 months Dogs, 15 months & under 18 months
(Same Classes for Bitches) Best in Futurity

PRIZE MONEY

All nomination money shall be pooled. The Bernese Mountain Dog Club of America, Inc. shall retain 25% for administrative and judge's expenses. Any unused expense money will be rolled over into the next year's prize money. The remaining 75% shall be divided as follows:

Best in Futurity 10%
Breeder of Best in Futurity 20%
Best of Opposite Sex to Best in Futurity 5%
Breeder of Best of Opposite Sex to Best in Futurity 5%
60% Allocated to Classes - Prize money for each class shall be determined by dividing money by the total entries and then multiplying by the number of entries in the class. Class money to be distributed as follows:
One entry 100%
Two entries First - 60%, Second - 40%
Three entries First - 50%, Second - 30%, Third - 20%
Four or more entries First - 40%, Second - 30%, Third - 20%, Fourth - 10%

2021 FUTURITY PRIZES

Best in Futurity: Rosette & Custom Iron Artwork by Ramworks
Best of Opposite Sex to Best in Futurity: Rosette & Custom Iron Artwork by Ramworks
First through Fourth in Each Futurity Class: Rosette & Custom Iron Artwork by Ramworks

AKC DNA PROFILES ARE REQUIRED FOR ENTRANTS AT ALL JUDGED EVENTS.

Space has been provided at the top of each entry form for your dog's AKC DNA Profile Number and will be published in the show catalog.

YOU MUST ACT NOW if you have NOT yet obtained an AKC DNA profile number for your entry.

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SWEEPSTAKES – TUESDAY, MAY 11, 2021

JUDGE: MRS. ALISE BURBRIDGE

Sweepstakes is open to all Bernese Mountain Dogs 6 months of age and under 18 months of age. **The age of the Sweepstakes Class entered will be based on the age of the dog on May 13th, 2021, which is the first day of Regular Class judging.** All entries in Sweepstakes must be entered in one of the Regular Classes at the Regular Class entry fee. Sweepstakes class and age division must be indicated on the entry form under Additional Classes. Entry fee is \$30.00.

CLASSIFICATION

Puppy Dogs, 6 months & under 9 months Junior Dogs, 12 months & under 15 months
Puppy Dogs, 9 months & under 12 months Junior Dogs, 15 months & under 18 months
(Same Classes for Bitches)
Best Puppy in Sweepstakes ... Best Junior Dog in Sweepstakes ... Best in Sweepstakes

PRIZE MONEY

The Club will retain 35% of the entry fee for expenses.

The remaining 65% will be divided as follows (rounded to the nearest dollar amount):

Best Puppy in Sweepstakes 5%
Best Junior in Sweepstakes..... 5%
55% Allocated to Classes - Prize money for each class shall be determined by dividing money by the total entries and then multiplying by the number of entries in the class. Class money to be distributed as follows:
One entry 100%
Two entries First - 60%, Second - 40%
Three entries First - 50%, Second - 30%, Third - 20%
Four or more entries. First - 40%, Second - 30%, Third - 20%, Fourth - 10%

SWEEPSTAKES PRIZES

Best in Sweepstakes: Rosette & Large Custom Platter by Prairie Dog Pottery
Best Puppy in Sweepstakes: Rosette & Oval Custom Plate by Prairie Dog Pottery
Best Junior Dog in Sweepstakes: Rosette & Oval Custom Plate by Prairie Dog Pottery
First through Fourth in Each Sweepstakes Class: Rosette & Custom Wine Coaster by Prairie Dog Pottery

VETERAN SWEEPSTAKES – WEDNESDAY, MAY 12, 2021

JUDGE: MRS. ALISE BRBRIDGE

Veteran Sweepstakes judging will take place following Sweepstakes judging and is open to all Bernese Mountain Dogs who are 7 years old & over. **The age of the Veterans Sweepstakes Class entered will be based on the age of the dog on May 13th, 2021, which is the first day of Regular Class judging.** To enter as 2nd entry, indicate Veteran Sweepstakes class with the age division in the space provided for "Additional Classes." Entry fee is \$30.00.

CLASSIFICATION

Veteran Sweepstakes Dogs, 7 years & under 9 years
Veteran Sweepstakes Dogs, 9 years & under 11 years
Veteran Sweepstakes Dogs, 11 years & over
(Same Classes for Bitches)
Best in Veteran Sweepstakes

PRIZE MONEY

The Club will retain 35% of the entry fee for expenses.

The remaining 65% will be divided as follows (rounded to the nearest dollar amount):

Best in Veteran Sweepstakes 5%
Best of Opposite Sex to Best in Veteran Sweepstakes..... 5%
55% Allocated to Classes - Prize money for each class shall be determined by dividing money by the total entries and then multiplying by the number of entries in the class. Class money to be distributed as follows:
One entry 100%
Two entries First - 60%, Second - 40%
Three entries First - 50%, Second - 30%, Third - 20%
Four or more entries. First - 40%, Second - 30%, Third - 20%, Fourth - 10%

VETERAN SWEEPSTAKES PRIZES

Best in Veteran Sweepstakes: Rosette & Large Custom Platter by Prairie Dog Pottery
Best of Opposite Sex to Best in Veteran Sweeps: Rosette & Large custom Platter by Prairie Dog Pottery
First through Fourth in Each Veteran Sweeps Class: Rosette & Custom Small Bowl by Prairie Dog Pottery

VERSATILITY SHOWCASE – WEDNESDAY, MAY 12, 2021

JUDGE: GREGORY SZYNSKIE

The Versatility Showcase is a stand-alone Conformation exhibition to showcase dogs and bitches that have earned the BMDCA Versatility Award¹ or the BMDCA Versatility Excellent Award². To be eligible for entry, dogs must have earned all required titles for the BMDCA Versatility/Versatility Excellent Award (as confirmed in Berner-Garde), AND the Award must be listed in Berner-Garde. If not, contact Valerie Horney, BMDCA Records committee. **The age of the Versatility Showcase Class entered will be based on the age of the dog on May 13th, 2021, which is the first day of Regular Class judging.**

Classes

Versatility Dog under 7 years Versatility Dog 7 Years and older
Versatility Excellent Dog under 7 years Versatility Excellent Dog 7 Years and older
(Same classes for Bitches)

Best in Versatility, Best of Opposite Sex

Prizes – Best in Versatility & Best of Opposite Sex: Rosette & Custom Nancy Giusti Raku Plaque.

First through Fourth in each Class: Rosette & Custom Fused Glass Artwork by Jennifer Brightbill

VERSATILITY SHOWCASE ENTRY FORM

THIS IS A SHOWCASE ONLY. DOGS AND BITCHES JUDGED FIRST IN THESE CLASSES WILL NOT BE ELIGIBLE FOR BEST OF BREED BY VIRTUE OF HAVING WON THESE CLASSES.

To be eligible for Best of Breed, entrants MUST enter Best of Breed or a Non-Regular Veterans class on the Official AKC Entry Form. Versatility Showcase entries must be made on the below form. Make additional copies as necessary. ENTRY FEE: \$40.00

Make Checks or Money Orders payable in US funds to: BaRay Event Services, Inc.

ENTER ONLINE: www.BaRayEvents.com \$3.00 fee per event.

FAX ENTRIES to 360-755-2248. \$4.00 fee per event.

MAIL ENTRIES WITH FEES TO: PO Box 508, Burlington, WA 98233.

DOG ENTRY		AKC DNA #	
Full Name of Dog:			
Showcase Class:	<input type="checkbox"/> Versatility Dog under 7 years <input type="checkbox"/> Versatility Dog 7 Years and older	<input type="checkbox"/> Versatility Excellent Dog under 7 years <input type="checkbox"/> Versatility Excellent Dog 7 Years & older	
AKC Reg. #	SEX	<input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female	Date of Birth
Breeder:			
Sire:			
Dam:			
Owner:			
Owners Address:			

¹The Requirements for the BMDCA Versatility Award are as follows:

- The Berner's owner must be a BMDCA member. • The Berner must have earned an AKC Champion title.
- The Berner must have earned a BMDCA Novice Draft Dog title.
- The Berner must have earned one of the following working titles:

AKC Companion Dog, AKC Tracking Dog, AKC Novice Agility Dog, AKC Novice Agility Jumper, AKC Novice Agility Preferred, AKC Novice Jumper Preferred, AKC Herding Pre-Trial Test, American Herding Breed Association Junior Herding Dog, AKC Tracking Dog Urban

²The Requirements for the BMDCA Versatility Excellent Award are as follows:

- The Berner's owner must be a BMDCA member. • The dog must have earned an AKC Grand Champion title.
- The Berner must have earned a BMDCA Draft Dog title.
- The Berner must have earned one of the following working titles: AKC Companion Dog Excellent, AKC Tracking Dog Excellent, AKC Variable Surface Tracker, AKC Open Agility Dog, AKC Open Agility Jumper, AKC Open Agility Dog Preferred, AKC Open Agility Jumper Preferred, AHBA Herding Trial Dog I, II, or III, Herding Ranch Dog I, II or III, Herding Trial Arena Dog I, II or III, Ranch Large Flock I, II or III, AKC Herding Started, AKC Herding Intermediate, AKC Herding Advanced

OBEDIENCE TRIAL – WEDNESDAY, MAY 12, 2021 (TEAM THURSDAY, MAY 13)

Qualifying Score Required For All Prizes in Regular Classes. “Dog” means either sex.
Transfers will be allowed at this Trial per AKC Regulations.

PLEASE NOTE: Refund of entries for bitches that come into season after the closing date of this show may be obtained by sending a veterinarian’s certificate to the Show Superintendent. This certificate must be postmarked or given to the Show Superintendent at least 30 minutes before the start of Obedience judging on Wednesday, May 12, 2021.

A Dark Green Qualifying Score Rosette will be given to each dog receiving a qualifying score. A new title ribbon will be awarded for any dog completing a title.

Please note that Barn W, the Obedience venue, is unheated; plan to dress appropriately. Rings will be fully matted. Crating will be available in the building. No x-pens will be allowed. For questions, contact Vicky Hall, Obedience Chair, at ravhall@aol.com

JUDGES

Mr. Randy CapselNovice A; Novice B; Utility A; Utility B; Team

Mr. Fred BuroffBeg Novice A; Beg Novice B; Open A; Open B; Brace; Veterans; Brace; Team

CLASSIFICATION

Regular ClassesNovice A • Novice B • Open A • Open B • Utility A • Utility B

Optional Titling Classes Beginner Novice A • Beginner Novice B

Non-Regular Classes Veterans • Brace • Team

PRIZES

Highest Scoring Dog in Regular Classes: Rosette & Logo Embroidered Chair, Soft Sided Crate with Embroidered Logo

Highest Combined Score in Open B & Utility B Classes: Rosette & Custom Iron Artwork by Ramworks
First through Fourth Prize, each Class: Rosette & Truman Martingale Collar with Logo Medallion

The Jay Jay Award – Highest Combined Score in Open B & Utility with a BMDCA Draft Dog Title: Handmade Wood Bernese Mountain Dog and Cart

The Fig Award – Highest Scoring Grand Master Draft Dog in the Regular Classes or Veterans: Embroidered Bernese Mountain Dog Pillow

Highest Qualifying Dog with ILP/PAL in the Regular Classes: Fluted Glass Bowl

Highest Scoring Champion of Record in the Regular Classes: Custom Iron Artwork by Ramworks

Highest Scoring Dog in the Regular Classes with a BMDCA Versatility Award: Windchime

Oldest Qualifying BMD in the Regular Classes: Custom Iron Artwork by Ramworks

HEIDI’S LEGACY CHALLENGE TROPHY – This trophy is to be awarded annually to the Bernese Mountain Dog and handler team that receives the highest qualifying score in a regular obedience class at the Official National Specialty Trial on Wednesday, May 12. To retire the trophy, the same person must win the Highest Scoring Dog in Regular Classes (HIT) three times, not necessarily with the same dog nor at consecutive Nationals, with one win from the Open Class and one win from the Utility class.

Originally crafted and donated by Russell & Peg Forte for the first BMDCA National Specialty in 1976, this large wood plaque features gorgeous hand-tooled and painted leather work depicting five images of working Bernese Mountain Dogs. The bottom of the plaque lists the name of each dog and handler team that has earned HIT at the official BMDCA National Specialty Obedience Trial since inception.

The trophy is named in memory of April Rifenberg’s Heidi (Bernfield’s Astrea v CarMar TD UD) who retired the trophy in 1986 after winning HIT at the 1980, 1983 & 1986 National Specialties. Vilma Kistner Briggs was the next individual to retire the trophy in 2008, by winning HIT in 1999 with “Java” U-UD Mocha Java Slurp UDX HCT (Open), in 2003 with “Charm” Thirdtym’s A Charm UD RE NA NAJ NDD (Novice), and in 2008 with “Latte” Ch. Brighteye Whole Latte Love UDX RE NA NAJ HCT NDD (Utility), Vilma donated the trophy back to the BMDCA in 2009 with a “challenge” that any future individual, who retires the trophy, donate it back to BMDCA so the plaque will forever remain a part of our club’s history and breed heritage.

RALLY TRIAL – THURSDAY MAY 13, 2021

Qualifying Score Required for All Prizes “Dog” means either sex.
Transfers will be allowed at this Trial per AKC Regulations.
Rally entries must include dog’s jump height.

PLEASE NOTE: Refund of entries for bitches that come into season after the closing date of this show may be obtained by sending a veterinarian’s certificate to the Show Superintendent. This certificate must be postmarked or given to the Show Superintendent at least 30 minutes before the start of Obedience judging on Wednesday, May 12, 2021.

A Dark Green Qualifying Score Rosette will be given to each dog receiving a qualifying score. A new title ribbon will be awarded for any dog completing a title.

JUDGES

Mr. Fred Buroff Novice A & B; Intermediate, Team Novice
Mr. Randy Capsel Advanced A & B; Excellent A & B; Master

CLASSIFICATION

Regular Classes Novice A & B, Intermediate, Advanced A & B, Excellent A & B, Master
Non-Regular Classes Team Novice

RALLY TRIAL PRIZES – RING SIZE 40X60

Highest Combined Score - Excellent B, Advanced B: Rosette & Custom Iron Artwork by Ramworks

Highest Combined Triple Q - Master, Excellent B, Advanced B: Rosette & Windchime

First through Fourth Prize, Each Class: Rosette & Bed Cover with Logo

Oldest Qualifying Dog in any Class: Rosette & Windchime

TRACKING TESTS (TD & TDX) – SUNDAY MAY 9, 2021

Judges: Mrs. Jane Jonas and Mr. Dave Freddy

Where: Boyd Lake State Park, Loveland, CO

NOTE: Tracking Tests close one week earlier than all other events – April 7, 2021

Download premium list at <http://www.bmdca.org/specialty/2021> or contact Tracking Secretary, Denise McClure at edmundmcclure@comcast.net to request a hard copy. The premium list is also available on the BaRay Superintendent website. For questions, contact Tracking Chair, Jane Marino at goldensrule123@gmail.com

Tracking Prizes:

- **Qualifiers:** Rustic Charm Framed Artwork
- **Oldest Qualifying Dog:** Tracking Lead

AGILITY TRIAL – MONDAY MAY 10, 2021

Judge: Ms. Beth Godwin

Where: Progressive School for Dogs, Greeley, CO

Download premium list at <http://www.bmdca.org/specialty/2021> or by contacting Agility Trial Secretary Deb Lewis at deb@lookoutK9trials.com for a hard copy. The premium list is also available on the BaRay Superintendent website.

A new title ribbon will be awarded for any dog completing a title.

For questions, contact Agility Chair Valerie Horney at valhorney@comcast.net.

Agility Prizes:

- **High in Trial (Standard Class):** RTIC Large Cooler and Dog Bowl
- **Placements in respective heights and classes:** Custom Magnetic Item by K9 Design
- **Qualifying dogs that do not place:** Custom Magnetic item by K9 Design
- **Oldest Qualifying Dog in Any Class:** RTIC Backpack Cooler

AKC HERDING TESTS & TRIALS – SUNDAY MAY 9, 2021

Judges: Ms. Anita Ramsey and Mr. Cappy Pruett
Where: Estes Park Events Complex, Estes Park, CO

Two AKC All-Breed Tests & Trials featuring Herding Test (HT), Pre-Trial Tested (PT), and Course A Herding Started, Herding Intermediate and Herding Advanced.

Pre-entries and day-of-show entries accepted. Open to all breeds with preference given to Bernese Mountain Dogs. Download premium list at <http://www.bmdca.org/specialty/2021> or by contacting Herding Test Secretary Sue Scott at chdogevents@aol.com to request a hard copy. The premium list is also available on the BaRay Superintendent website.

A new title ribbon will be awarded for any dog completing a title.

For questions, contact Herding Chair Sara Karl at karl3106@comcast.net.

Herding Prizes – Qualifiers: Rosette

- **High Combined Score Bernese:** Rosette & Berner/Sheep Totem by Prairie Dog
- **Trial # 1 High in Trial:** Rosette & Sheep Totem by Prairie Dog
- **Trial # 2 High in Trial:** Rosette & Sheep Serving Tray
- **Trial # 1 Reserve High in Trial:** Rosette & Embroidered Towel
- **Trial # 2 Reserve High in Trial:** Rosette & Embroidered Towel
- **Trial # 1 High Scoring Bernese in Trial:** Rosette & Embroidered Chair
- **Trial # 2 High Scoring Bernese in Trial:** Rosette & Embroidered Tote Bag
- **Trial # 1 Second Highest Scoring Bernese in Trial:** Rosette & Embroidered Blanket
- **Trial # 2 Second Highest Scoring Bernese in Trial:** Rosette & Embroidered Cooler

AKC SCENT WORK TRIAL – FRIDAY MAY 14, 2021

Judges: Ms. RuthAnn M Stricker and Mrs. Denise McClure
Where: Estes Park Events Complex, 125 Rooftop Way, Estes Park, CO

Classes offered: Interior, Exterior, and Handler Discrimination - Novice and Advanced, and Containers - Novice through Master.

A new title ribbon will be awarded for any dog completing an SWN or SWNE or SWA or SWAE title.

Open to all breeds with preference given to Bernese Mountain Dogs. Download premium list at <http://www.bmdca.org/specialty/2021> or by contacting Secretary Dino Candelaria at blackcoral@cablone.net to request a hard copy. The premium list is also available on the akc.org, the BaRay Superintendent website and <https://www.facebook.com/groups/AKCScentWork>.

For questions, contact Trial Secretary Dino Candelaria at blackcoral@cablone.net.

Scent Work Prizes – Qualifiers: Rosette

- **First Place all Classes:** Bait Bag with Specialty Logo
- **HIT Novice:** 12' Biothane Scent Work Lead
- **HIT Advanced:** 12' Biothane Scent Work Lead
- **HIT Novice BMD:** 12' Biothane Scent Work Lead
- **HIT Advanced BMD:** 12' Biothane Scent Work Lead

**FOUR DRAFT TESTS – MONDAY MAY 10, 2021, TUESDAY MAY 11, 2021
(2 TESTS) & FRIDAY MAY 14, 2021**

Draft Test 1: Monday Judges: Mrs. Chris Mann and Mr. Steve Likevich

Draft Test 2: Tuesday Judges: Ms. Jennifer Brightbill and Mr. Jasen Duncan

Draft Test 3: Tuesday Judges: Mr. Steve Likevich and Mr. Barry Solomon

Draft Test 4: Friday Judges: Ms. Jennifer Brightbill and Ms. Eden Jonas

Where: Stanley Park Ball Field, Estes Park, CO

Classes: Novice, Open, Brace Novice and Brace Open

Each test will have 24 teams per test limit. Untitled teams will be given priority over titled teams. Download premium list at <http://www.bmdca.org/specialty/2021> or by contacting Draft Test Chair Patti Davieau at davieau@aol.com or Draft Tests Secretary Vicky Hall at ravhall@aol.com. The premium list is also available on the BaRay Superintendent website.

Advanced title ribbons will be offered to any team completing an Advanced title.

For questions, contact Draft Test Chair Patti Davieau at davieau@aol.com

Draft Prizes:

Draft Test 1: Qualifier - RTIC Travel Mug with Logo. Oldest Qualifier: Windchime

Draft Test 2: Qualifier – Bed Cover with Logo. Oldest Qualifier: RTIC Lunch Box

Draft Test 3: Qualifier – Dog Food Travel Bag with Logo. Oldest Qualifier: Custom Iron Artwork by Ramworks

Draft Test 4: Qualifier – Multifunction Flashlight/Tool with Logo Medallion. Oldest Qualifier: RTIC Backpack Cooler

SPECIAL PERFORMANCE AWARD – THE TRIATHLETE CHALLENGE

Entry forms due April 17, 2021

Are you and your dog a multi-tasking team? Set your sights on the Specialty Triathlete Challenge! The Specialty Triathlete Award is given to each Berner/Handler team which earns a qualifying leg or passing score in three or more different working venues. Yes, you can do it all!

The eligible events are Tracking (all classes), Herding (PT or higher), Rally (Regular Classes only), Obedience (Regular Classes only—novice, open, utility), Agility (all classes), and Draft (all classes).

Only one score or performance in each venue will count towards this award. The performance must be at the regular titling level, although the dog/handler team may have already earned the relevant title.

Just pick your venues and go for the gold! The Specialty Triathlete Awards will be something to treasure.

Award offered by Ruth Nielsen—Mazama Mountain Dogs.

To be eligible, download and complete the Triathlete Challenge form on <http://www.bmdca.org/specialty/2021> and email to RNielsen@Nielsenlaw.com no later than April 17, 2021.

For questions, email Ruth at RNielsen@Nielsenlaw.com. Mailed entries also accepted, send to 55 Quaking Aspen Road, Winthrop WA 98862.

SPECIAL VETERANS AWARD – THE FAN AWARD

The Fan Award will be awarded to the oldest male and female dog exhibited at the Specialty, including the veterans parade. The award is offered by Friends of the Fan Award in loving memory of “Fan” Camelot’s Fantasy and Meg Auger, who sponsored the award from 2003-2015.

IMPORTANT COVID-19 INFORMATION TO ALL ENTRANTS AND ATTENDEES

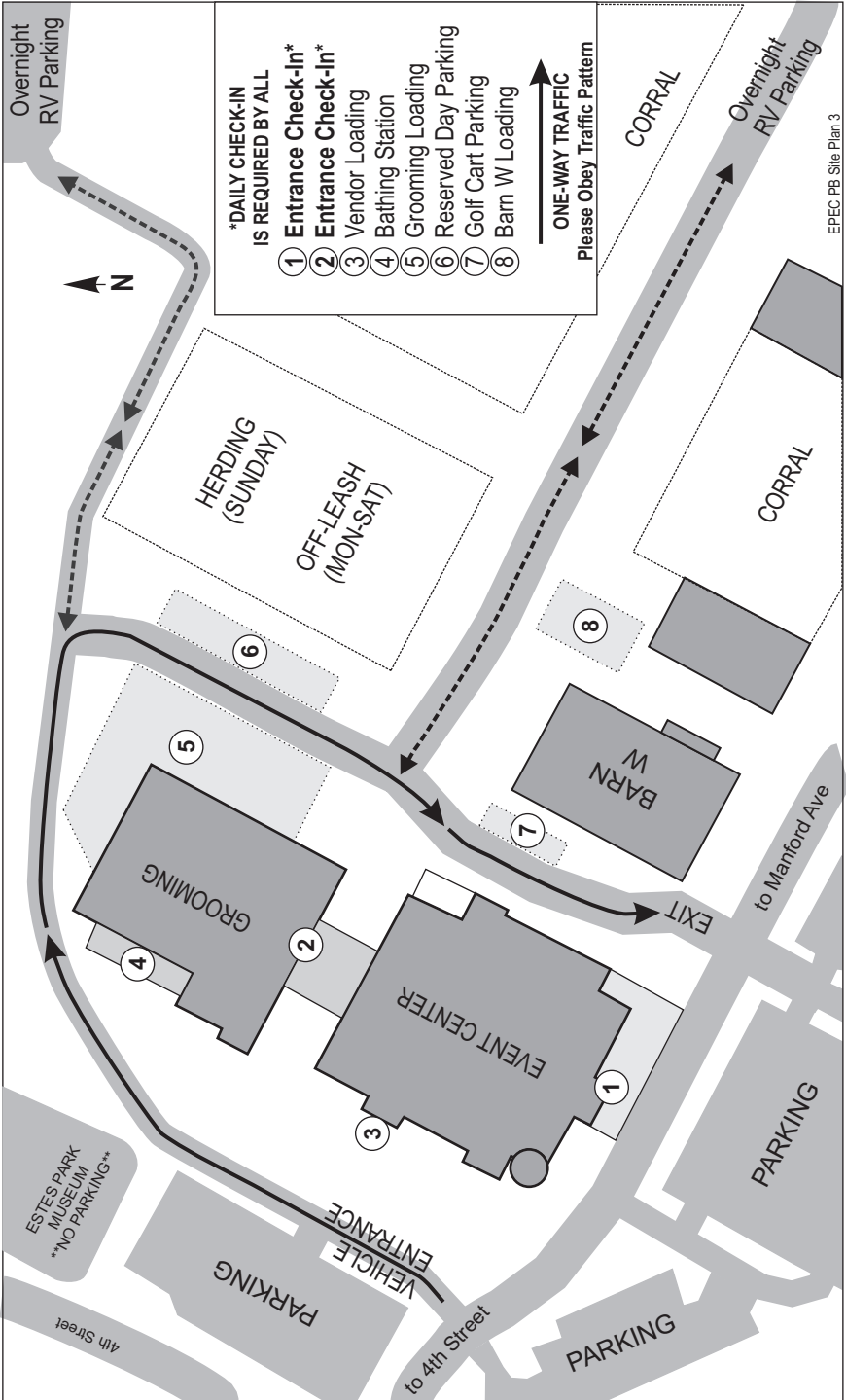
GUIDELINES AND REQUIREMENTS

The following plan is prepared according to the state and local rules in force at the time of the event and is subject to change. The requirements/guidelines will be posted at the venue as well as on the BMDCA 2021 National Specialty website. Failure to comply could subject the individual to being removed from the grounds and/or disciplinary action in accordance with AKC's Dealing with Misconduct rules.

- All attendees (judges, exhibitors, stewards, workers, spectators, etc.) must follow state, local, and facility requirements/guidelines in effect at the time of this event.
- Mandatory temperature checks will be administered daily for each first entry to all indoor events.
- IF YOU ARE ILL, FEEL UNWELL, COUGHING, SNEEZING, RUNNING A TEMPERATURE, OR BELIEVE YOU HAVE BEEN EXPOSED (OR MAY HAVE BEEN EXPOSED) TO ANYONE WITH COVID-19 WITHIN THE LAST TWO WEEKS, PLEASE STAY HOME.
- Masks are MANDATORY - in the ring, upon entering the show grounds, and at all scheduled events. This includes the outdoor events – Draft, Tracking, Herding, and Scent Work. Nose and mouth must be covered. It is recommended for all other times. A face shield is NOT acceptable. The ONLY exceptions to this requirement will be for eating or drinking or for children aged 10 and younger.
- All attendees are expected to adhere to social distancing guidelines, even when wearing a mask.
- Ring access will be limited to exhibitors, please arrive at the ring no earlier than 15 minutes before your specified judging time and leave 15 minutes after. Rings will have a separate entrance and exit. Please use accordingly.
- Follow Judge's, Ring Steward's, and Show Committee's direction for showing and keeping distances.
- Social distancing will be required in all Grooming areas, please use crates and supplies as distance barriers. Forced air dryers and fans may be restricted in the grooming building. This will be determined based on the State defined published risk level at the time.
- The AKC, BaRay, Inc., all show giving clubs, volunteers, Estes Park Events Center, workers, or judges, are in no way liable for any present or future damage, loss, or illness (including, but not limited to COVID-19). Attendees understand that they are attending these shows entirely at their own risk and take full responsibility for their own health and safety. Attendees will be required to follow all State, County, AKC and club requirements, procedures, protocols, and guidelines to reduce any exposure and possibility of contracting or spreading a virus. All attendees MUST SIGN the COVID AGREEMENT/WAIVER OF LIABILITY prior to entrance to the event. If you are going through Master Registration, you will complete the waiver at that time. If not, go to this link to complete waiver <http://bmdca.org/specialty/2021/index.php>

Individuals unable or unwilling to follow the terms of the COVID Agreement/Waiver of Liability are not allowed to attend the Specialty Events. Individuals who fail to comply with the requirements/guidelines may be asked to leave the Specialty Events and, if asked to leave, must do so promptly.

See map showing check in points for first entrance of the day to the Events Center and the Pavilion.



- *DAILY CHECK-IN IS REQUIRED BY ALL**
- ① Entrance Check-in*
 - ② Entrance Check-in*
 - ③ Vendor Loading
 - ④ Bathing Station
 - ⑤ Grooming Loading
 - ⑥ Reserved Day Parking
 - ⑦ Golf Cart Parking
 - ⑧ Barn W Loading
- ONE-WAY TRAFFIC
Please Obey Traffic Pattern

AKC Code of Sportsmanship

PREFACE: The sport of purebred dog competitive events dates prior to 1884, the year of AKC's birth. Shared values of those involved in the sport include principles of sportsmanship. They are practiced in all sectors of our sport: conformation, performance and companionship. Many believe that these principles of sportsmanship are the prime reason why our sport has thrived for over one hundred years. With the belief that it is useful to periodically articulate the fundamentals of our sport, this code is presented.

- Sportsmen respect the history, traditions and integrity of the sport of purebred dogs.
- Sportsmen commit themselves to values of fair play, honesty, courtesy, and vigorous competition, as well as winning and losing with grace.
- Sportsmen refuse to compromise their commitment and obligation to the sport of purebred dogs by injecting personal advantage or consideration into their decisions or behavior.
- The sportsman judge judges only on the merits of the dogs and considers no other factors.
- The sportsman judge or exhibitor accepts constructive criticism.
- The sportsman exhibitor declines to enter or exhibit under a judge where it might reasonably appear that the judge's placements could be based on something other than the merits of the dogs.
- The sportsman exhibitor refuses to compromise the impartiality of a judge.
- The sportsman respects the AKC bylaws, rules, regulations and policies governing the sport of purebred dogs.
- Sportsmen find that vigorous competition and civility are not inconsistent and are able to appreciate the merit of their competition and the effort of competitors.
- Sportsmen welcome, encourage and support newcomers to the sport.
- Sportsmen will deal fairly with all those who trade with them.
- Sportsmen are willing to share honest and open appraisals of both the strengths and weaknesses of their breeding stock.
- Sportsmen spurn any opportunity to take personal advantage of positions offered or bestowed upon them.
- Sportsmen always consider as paramount the welfare of their dog.
- Sportsmen refuse to embarrass the sport, the American Kennel Club, or themselves while taking part in the sport.



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TRAVEL INFORMATION

By Car: From the North & South: From I-25 take Hwy 34 or Hwy 36 westbound to Estes Park. Hwy 34 is recommended for RV's and vehicles towing trailers.

By Air: Suggested Airport: Denver (DEN) -75 miles, approximately 1 hour, 25 minute drive to host hotel. All major rental agencies are available at DIA.

HOTEL SHUTTLE SERVICE

Shuttle van service to Estes Park from the Denver Airport is operated by Estes Park Shuttle. They can be reached at 970-586-5151, or estesparkshuttle@aol.com. Be sure to tell them you have a large dog(s).

HOST HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS

Ridgeline Hotel
101 S St Vrain Ave
Estes Park, CO 80517
970-480-0110

Because the Ridgeline is not large enough to accommodate all our attendees, we have contracted with several other properties from which to choose. You may view all the properties at <http://www.bmdca.org/specialty/2021> All properties are currently full. You can add your name to the waitlist through the link on the webpage above. For more information on deposits/refunds, or host hotel policies access <http://www.bmdca.org/specialty/2021>.

RV PARKING & CAMPING INFORMATION

RV Parking Location is at the show site, Estes Park Event Center, 1125 Rooftop Way, Estes Park CO 80517. Reservations are honored on a first come, first served basis. Currently we are wait listed for all 42 spaces. To be added to the wait list please contact the RV Chairs below.

For questions contact: Sharon and Mark Johnson, pfireberners@aol.com.

If you want to make alternate RV Reservations, it is suggested that you contact the Estes Park KOA Holiday RV Park which is only 4 minutes from the show site:

2051 Big Thompson Avenue, Estes Park, CO 80517, 970-586-2888

GENERAL ADDITIONAL RULES

- Dogs must not be tied to bushes, shrubs, trees or other permanent fixtures. The Bernese Mountain Dog Club of America, Inc., the host hotels, Estes Park Events Complex, and Show Superintendent will not be responsible for the loss or damage to any dog exhibited or possession of any exhibitor, whether the result of an accident or any other cause. It is distinctly understood that every dog at these events is in the care and custody of his owner or handler during the entire time the dog is in the show buildings or the grounds.
- The welfare of an exhibitor's child is assumed to be the responsibility of the exhibitor. It is distinctly understood that exhibitors will exercise control and restraint over their children on the days of the events.
- All persons attending this Specialty Show's events hereby waive any claim for damages against the Bernese Mountain Dog Club of America, Inc. or its members in the event that a motor vehicle must be entered to rescue a dog from overheating or suffocation due to improper ventilation. Identification labels will be available from the Superintendent's office. Each crate must be labeled for identification in case of emergencies.
- The Bernese Mountain Dog Club of America, Inc., the Host Hotels and the Estes Park Events Complex will not be responsible for any lost or damaged items left at the show site.
- The Bernese Mountain Dog Club of America, Inc. may decline entries for cause and may refuse to receive or may remove any dog on account of disease, viciousness or any other cause, in accordance with AKC rules and regulations. No one shall have any claim or recourse against the Bernese Mountain Dog Club of America, Inc. or any official thereof.
- No dogs shall be left unattended in an x-pen.
- No generators of any kind permitted on hotel grounds.

TOP TWENTY GALA – WEDNESDAY MAY 12, 2021

The BMDCA Top Twenty Committee welcomes attendees to the “Denim and Diamonds” Celebration! Join us for an evening of beautiful dogs at the BMDCA’s eighth annual Top Twenty Gala, which will be held the evening of Wednesday, May 12 in the Conformation ring at the Estes Park Events Complex. This event will showcase the top Conformation dogs from 2019 AND 2020. Entry is by invitation only and is sent to the top 20 Bernese Mountain Dogs in breed and all-breed points, as determined by AKC statistics from January 1 through December 31, 2019 and 2020. Dogs will be prejudged by a three-judge panel the afternoon prior to the gala event. Each judge will evaluate the dogs on a predetermined point system, enumerating the criteria of our breed standard. The emphasis for judging is on the individual qualities of the dog and how closely he/she conforms to the breed standard. Points will be tabulated once the prejudging is completed, and the winner will be announced at the conclusion of the event. In addition, attendees will also have the opportunity to vote for the People’s Choice Award.

The Top Twenty competition will culminate Wednesday evening in the main Conformation ring at the Events Complex. The event is open to the general public to view the final showcase of the Top Twenty dogs and presentation of awards to the top winners. This event will be both entertaining and exciting as the handlers present their dogs to music chosen by them to represent the unique personalities of their dogs.

The theme this year is “Denim and Diamonds”, evening wear is encouraged for participants and formal and/or denim and diamonds attire for the audience.

*Top Twenty Gala donations are also very welcome
and may be made through the Master Registration form.*

WAIVER OF RIGHTS – ANIMALS IN DISTRESS

The BMDCA reserves the right to remove any animal in distress from a parked vehicle or crate and all persons attending these dog events hereby waive any claim for damages against the club for such removal. The Club regards the health, safety, and life of any dog on the show grounds to be paramount to other property or privacy rights. We will attempt to reach the responsible party, but cannot guarantee contact will be made before action is taken.

ENTRY SUBMISSIONS, CANCELLATIONS, CHANGES, TRANSFERS

MAIL ENTRIES WITH FEES to PO Box 508, Burlington, WA 98233.

CANADIANS make all entry fees payable in U.S. funds.

FAX ENTRIES: Fax number: 360-755-2248. \$4.00 per dog per show added for FAX-Credit Card entries. Both sides of entry form must be transmitted. Entries must be accompanied by a cover sheet stating the number of pages, what shows and how many dogs per show. Visa, MasterCard, and American Express are accepted for Fax entries. Credit card information (Credit Card number, expiration date, and cardholder name) must be on cover sheet. Note: Visa and MasterCard users – You must include the 3-digit security code that appears above your signature on the back of the card. Proof of fax transmission is not proof of receipt of a legible or complete transmission (under AKC Rule Ch. 11, Sec. 4). A Fax-Friendly entry blank PDF is available for download at www.BarayEvents.com.

ONLINE ENTRIES: Web site is **BaRayEvents.com** Follow instructions on Web site. \$3.00 charge per dog per show.

FEDEX, UPS, AIRBORNE or HAND-DELIVERED: Do NOT require signature. 113 E. Fairhaven Ave., Burlington, WA 98233.

PHONE ENTRIES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

CANCELLATIONS, CHANGES AND TRANSFERS will be accepted according to AKC Rules. Any refunds will be made within three weeks after the show. An administration fee may apply. (01/2016)



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The American Kennel Club Rules and Regulations will govern this Show and Exhibitors must make themselves familiar with the agreement of the American Kennel Club, referred to on the reverse side of the entry blanks that accompany this Show Premium List.

- The American Kennel Club will collect: a \$3.00 Event Service Fee and \$.50 Recording Fee where applicable for the first entry of a dog, plus a \$3.00 service fee for each additional entry of the same dog in the regular and non-regular recordable single-entry classes, in all AKC licensed and member club events. At every licensed or member club rally trial, a recording fee of \$3.50 is required for the first entry of each dog and a recording fee of \$3.00 is required for each additional entry of the same dog.
- No Entry will be accepted which specifies any condition as to its acceptance. Telegraph, e-mail and unsigned entries cannot be accepted and will be returned. Entries not on Official AKC Entry Forms and Photocopies of Entry Forms without Agreement and Rules on reverse side are NOT ACCEPTABLE. The Club and/or Baray Events assumes no responsibility for wrong or incomplete information given on the entry blank by the owner or the owner's agent. RESPONSIBILITY FOR COMPLETENESS OF ENTRY RESTS SOLELY WITH ENTRANT.
- RETURNED CHECKS DO NOT CONSTITUTE A VALID ENTRY FEE. BaRay Events will add a \$30.00 collection fee to the amount of each returned check. We will not re-process checks. The exhibitor will be contacted & required to send a money order for the original amount PLUS the \$30.00 NSF fee. Subsequent returned checks from same person may result in their being put on a CASH ONLY BASIS.
- REFUNDS for cancellations due to judge change or cancellations made prior to entries closing will be mailed by the Club to said Exhibitor or Agent AFTER THE SHOW. An administrative fee of \$5.00 will be withheld from all refunds for entries cancelled prior to the closing of entries.
- Females in season are not permitted to compete in Obedience or Rally Trials. If a female is withdrawn from competition because it came into season and the Superintendent is notified no later than one half hour prior to the start of the first class in the trial, the Clubs is required to refund the entry fee. The Clubs may retain a processing fee and must publish this information in the premium. Clubs may determine the documentation, if any that is required to confirm the female is in season. This shall be stated in the premium. Note: No fee is paid to the AKC for females in season who are withdrawn.
- FAX ENTRIES – Fax entries will be accepted up to closing time. Fee is \$4.00 per dog per show. If the credit card charge is denied for any reason, an additional service charge of \$20.00 will be added. FAX NUMBER: 360-755-2248. This is for Fax Machine ONLY. Incomplete or illegible Fax entries are not acceptable as a valid entry in a show. Proof of transmission is not proof of receipt of a legible or complete transmission (under AKC Rule Ch. 11, Sec. 4). A Fax-Friendly entry blank PDF is available for download at www.BaRayEvents.com
- Entries will be acknowledged after entries close with entry acknowledgment and judging program to address on entry. Should Exhibitor NOT receive an acknowledgment within a reasonable time, PLEASE notify BaRay Events at 360-755-7086 or email dogshows@barayevents.com.
- Entry fees shall NOT be refunded in the event that a dog is absent, disqualified, sick, lame, excused by the Judge or Veterinarian, or barred from competition by action of the Show Committee, or because it has been entered incorrectly. There is no refund for DUPLICATE ENTRIES or OVERPAYMENTS. If, because of riots, civil disturbances or other acts beyond the control of the management it is impossible to open, or to complete the Show NO REFUND will be made. To find out about any AKC event cancellations call the AKC Event Cancellation Hotline 877-252-3229.
- Please note: Any hotel or motel listed in the premium list is subject to Event Committee Rules. We expect our exhibitors to be responsible guests. A report that an exhibitor at this show has abused hotel or motel property during this weekend may result in disciplinary action. Clubs reserve the right to decline future entries from the offending party in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 11, Section 15 of the Rules Applying to Dog Shows.
- Dogs need be present only for scheduled judging and will be released if not needed for further judging. Dogs must be ready for judging. Neither the club nor its Superintendent will be responsible or obligated to furnish any service for notifying exhibitors or their agents of Breed or Class Judging. Judges need not wait for any dog holding up a class. Owners or agents alone are responsible for the presence of their dogs in the judging rings.
- Only dogs eligible for these shows will be admitted into the show area. There is no provision for unentered dogs.
- LOSS OR DAMAGE – The Show Committee will use due care and diligence for the welfare of dogs and exhibitors, but will not be responsible for, or assume any liability in the event of any accident or misfortune, to either dogs or exhibitors participating in these Shows. The welfare of an Exhibitor's child is assumed to be the responsibility of the Exhibitor. It is distinctly understood that Exhibitors will exercise control and restraint over their children.
- Exhibitors should follow their veterinarian's recommendation to assure their dogs are free of internal and external parasites, any communicable diseases, and have appropriate vaccinations. Additionally, clubs should include any specific local health requirements; for example proof of rabies vaccination.
- PUBLICATION RIGHTS – By entering this show, all owners, handlers, breeders and kennels agree that all rights to televise, videotape, photograph, advertise, promote and publicize or otherwise exploit this show, or the persons or animals participating in it or the results of the competition before, during or after the event, shall belong solely to The American Kennel Club and their respective assigns, including the use of the names, likenesses or biographical matter of all dogs, owners, handlers, breeders and kennels participating in the show and no such owner, handler, breeder or kennel shall allow any other party to make commercial use of any videotape or photograph of any person or animal participating in this competition.

ENTER ONLINE: <http://www.BaRayEvents.com>