

PREMIUM LIST

The Bernese Mountain Dog Club of America, Inc. 2026 Annual National Specialty Show



Sunday, May 10, 2026 - Saturday, May 16, 2026

Show Hours: 6:00AM-6:00PM PDT

Events To Take Place Indoors and Outdoors at the following locations:

Linn County Expo Center, 3700 Knox Butte RD E, Albany, OR 97322

Brigand's Hideout, 9628 NE 156th St., Battle Ground, WA 98604

Barb White Agility Facility, 2723 Ridgeway Dr SE, Turner, OR 97392

Linn Benton Community College, 6500 SW Pacific Blvd., Albany, OR 97321

Lukiamute State Natural Area, 1000 NW 24th Ave, Albany, OR 97321

Timber Linn Park, 900 Price Road SE, Albany, OR 97322

www.bmdca.org/2026-specialty



**AMERICAN
KENNEL CLUB**

CERTIFICATION Permission has been granted by the American Kennel Club for the holding of this event under the American Kennel Club rules and regulations.

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The Bernese Mountain Dog Club of America, Inc.

2026 National Specialty Show

Conformation w/NOHS • Futurity • Jr. Showmanship
 Pee Wee Special Attraction • Obedience • Rally
 Sweepstakes • Veteran Sweepstakes
 Top 20 • Versatility Showcase
 (Unbenched – Member of the American Kennel Club)

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Event Numbers: 2026183411 (PS); 2026183418 (SWPS); 2026183419 (Fut/VetSWPS);
 2026183409/2026183420 (OB 1&2); 2026183410/2026183416 (Rally 1&2)

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Day of Show Phone: 253-988-0804

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Bench Committee: All Officers, Members of the Board of Directors & Any Other Members Present.

Conformation Chair	Anne Summers • summersbmds@gmail.com
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Obedience/Rally Chair.....	Mona Hommel • monahommel@comcast.net

(Additional Committee Members & Chairs listed on page 6)

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

SUNDAY, MAY 10

BMDCA Board Meeting – Conference Center, Room 1, Linn County Expo Center

8:30AM – 5:00PM

Farm Dog Test #1 – Brigand's Hideout

Herding Trial #1 – Brigand's Hideout

Scent Work Trial (Novice, Advanced, Excellent, Master) – Conference Center – Room 4 &

Outdoors, Linn County Expo Center – 7:30 am – 5:00 pm

Tracking Tests – Linn Benton Community College & Lukiamute State Natural Area

7:00AM – 5:00PM

Registration – Willamette Center Lobby, Linn County Expo Center – 2:00PM – 6:00PM

MONDAY, MAY 11

Registration – Willamette Center Lobby, Linn County Expo Center, 8:00AM – 5:00PM

Grooming Move-In – Willamette Center, Linn County Expo Center, 12 noon – 10:00PM

Berner U – Conference Center, Rooms 1, 2, 3, Linn County Expo Center – 9:00AM– 5:00PM

Canine Good Citizen - Conference Center, Linn County Expo Center – 2:15PM – 5:00PM

Draft Tests #1 & #2 – Timber Linn Park

Herding Trial #2 – Brigand's Hideout

Scent Work Trial (Detective) – Conference Center - Room 4 & Outdoors, Linn County Expo Center

7:30AM – 5:00PM

Vendor Move-In – Willamette Center, Linn County Expo Center, 7:00AM to 10:00PM

TUESDAY, MAY 12

Registration – Willamette Center, Ringside, Linn County Expo Center – 8:00AM to 4:00PM

Berner U – Conference Center, Rooms 1, 2, 3, Linn County Expo Center – 9:00AM to 2:00PM

Sweepstakes - Willamette Center, Linn County Expo Center

Agility – Barb White Agility Facility, Turner, Oregon

Farm Dog Tests #2, #3 – Cascade Livestock Pavilion, Linn County Expo Center

Obedience & Rally Obedience Trials – Santiam Bldg., Linn County Expo Center

Seiger Evaluation - Willamette Center, Linn County Expo Center – immediately following completion of conformation events

International Meet & Greet - Willamette Center, Linn County Expo Center

International Guest Breed Standard Seminar with Ringside Mentoring - Willamette Center, Linn County Expo Center

Stud Dog Showcase – Grooming Area in Willamette Center, Linn County Expo Center

4:00PM - 5:30PM

Welcome Event – Willamette Center, Linn County Expo Center – 5:30PM – 8:30PM

WEDNESDAY, MAY 13

Draft Test #3 - Timber Linn Park

Health Clinics - Conference Center, Linn County Expo Center

Futurity - Willamette Center, Linn County Expo Center

Veteran Sweepstakes - Willamette Center, Linn County Expo Center

Versatility - Willamette Center, Linn County Expo Center

Top 20 Judging - Santiam Bldg., Linn County Expo Center - Daytime

Top 20 Gala - Willamette Center, Linn County Expo Center - Evening

Trick Dog Testing - Santiam Bldg., Linn County Expo Center

Junior Showmanship - During Top 20 Intermission, Willamette Center, Linn County Expo Center

THURSDAY, MAY 14

Regular & Non-Regular Dog Conformation Classes - Willamette Center, Linn County Expo Center

Obedience & Rally Obedience Trials - Santiam Bldg., Linn County Expo Center

Veterans Parade - Willamette Center, Linn County Expo Center - during lunch break

Team Obedience - Willamette Center, Linn County Expo Center, to follow Non-Regular Dog Classes

Juniors Seminar and Social - Times to be Announced

Health Auction - Conference Center, Linn County Expo Center - Food served at 5:30PM, Silent

Auction 5:45PM, Live Auction 7:00PM

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE (CONTINUED)

FRIDAY, MAY 15

Judges' Education Seminar with Ringside mentoring - Willamette Center, Linn County Expo Center
Regular & Non-Regular Bitch Conformation Classes - Willamette Center, Linn County Expo Center
Peewee Special Attraction - Willamette Center, Linn County Expo Center, during lunch break
Draft Test #4 - Timber Linn Park
BMDCA Annual Meeting and Awards Celebration - Linn County Expo Center's Conference Center,
Cocktails - 6:00PM, Dinner - 6:30PM, Meeting and Awards - 7:30PM

SATURDAY, MAY 16

Judges' Education with Ringside Mentoring - Willamette Center, Linn County Expo Center
Best of Breed, NOHS, Best Veteran, Best Puppy, Best Bred-by-Exhibitor - Willamette Center, Linn
County Expo Center
Judges' Dinner - Conference Center, Linn County Expo Center, Cocktails
5:30PM, Dinner - 6:00PM, Judges Remarks to follow

SCHEDULE NOTES

Linn County Expo Center: Open 6:00AM - 10:00PM Tuesday through Friday. Move in Monday 12
Noon - 10:00PM, Saturday 6:00AM with move out required by 6:00PM

Registration - Sunday through Friday, Ringside at Willamette Center - see schedule above
for times.

Catalog Pickup and Sales: Sunday - Monday Registration - Willamette Center Lobby; Ringside
Tuesday - Saturday during show hours.

Ways & Means & Vendors: Open during show hours, Willamette Center, Linn County Expo
Center, Tuesday through Saturday - Move in on Monday starting at 7:00AM

2026 Raffles: Open during show hours, Willamette Center, Linn County Expo Center; closes at
noon Friday with drawings and announcements to follow

Galleries: Photo Contest Winners, Rescue Gallery & Titleholders Gallery: Willamette Center
Lobby all week for Photo Contest Winners and Rescue Gallery. Titleholders will be displayed
online and also at the Annual Awards Dinner.

Berner-Garde: Visit booth - Ringside, Willamette Center during show hours

OFFICIAL PHOTOGRAPHER

Jennifer Milosavljevic
Earthdawg Photography
<http://www.earthdawg.com>

The "Official BMDCA Specialty Photographer" will be the only photographer authorized by the 2026 National Specialty Show Committee and BMDCA to take and sell official specialty win photos featuring judges at the Specialty. Judge photos may be taken at off-site locations by Show Committee-approved photographers in the event those judges are unavailable to be present at the Linn County Expo Center site for an official photo.

CANDID RINGSIDE & PERFORMANCE PHOTOGRAPHERS:

Other commercial photographers authorized to sell photos from Specialty events must be approved in advance by the Show Committee and will be required to sign a vendor agreement with the Show Committee for specified events and will only be authorized to shoot and make available for purchase candid (or action) photos and those judge photographs where the judge cannot be available for photographs with the "Official BMDCA Specialty Photographer." Anyone interested in participating in this capacity should contact Ruth Nielsen at rnielsenlaw@gmail.com.

Kristen Lewis at <https://klpetprints.zenfolio.com/> is approved to shoot ringside/candid shots at the specialty Rally, Obedience, Farm Dog, and Draft events.

ATTENTION EXHIBITORS OF FOREIGN DOGS, please visit <https://www.cdc.gov/importation/dogs/index.html> for the most recent updates regarding bringing a dog into the U.S.

OFFICIAL VIDEOGRAPHER - SHOW DOG VIDEO PROS

Videographer - ShowDogVideoPros

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The professional video services and live streaming at this show are governed by an exclusive video contract with the Club. 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, Instagram, 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 video record and live stream or otherwise exploit this event and/or the persons or animals participating in it, including the names, likenesses and biographical matter of dogs, owners, handlers, breeders and kennels participating in the event shall belong solely to the show-giving Club and/or the American Kennel Club, Inc. 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.

Violation of these show video policies may result in an Event or Bench Committee hearing. ShowDogVideoPros permits, and encourages, local/national news media coverage and will allow professional news media coverage (tripod mounted cameras, professional film crews, news reporters).

SHOW VETERINARIAN - ON CALL

All require a call prior to arrival to best assess ability to manage your urgent/emergency situation. Exhibitors should follow their veterinarian's recommendation to ensure their dogs are free of internal and external parasites, any communicable diseases, and have appropriate vaccinations.

Rivers Edge Pet Medical Center - 541-924-1700 - repmctech@gmail.com - 601 NW Hickory St, Albany, OR 97321

Willamette Veterinary Hospital - 541-753-2223 - info@wilvet.com - 1562 SW 3rd St, Corvallis, OR 97333

Oregon State University Veterinary Hospital - 541-737-4812 - Oregon State University, Magruder Hall, 700 SW 30th St, Corvallis, OR 97331 - they do not accept walk-ins so you will need to call ahead to determine their ability to address your pet's issues. <https://bit.ly/4tCDEqf>

The AKC is committed to creating a safe and respectful sport environment for all. If you need to talk to someone, or need help, please call 800-656-HOPE (National Sexual Assault Hotline) or text HOME to 741-741 for free, 24/7, confidential services from trained crisis counselors.

EMERGENCY SERVICES

FIRE/AMBULANCE/POLICE - Emergency: Dial 911

EMERGENCY SERVICES – Samaritan Albany General Hospital - 541-812-4000 – 1046 6th Ave SW, Albany, OR 97321

URGENT CARE SERVICES (walk-in) – Samaritan North Albany Urgent Care 541-812-5275 - 400 Hickory St NW, Suite 303, Albany, OR 97321 – Hours: M-F 9:00AM to 8:00PM – Sat 9:00AM to 6:00PM Sun 9:00AM to 5:00PM

URGENT CARE SERVICES (walk-in) – BestMed Urgent Care - 541-406-3899 - 2910 Santiam Hwy SE, Suite 101, Albany, OR 97321 – Hours: daily 8:00 AM to 8:00PM

NATIONAL SHOW COMMITTEE

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ATTENTION EXHIBITORS

AKC DNA REQUIRED FOR ALL DOG SHOW ENTRIES

The BMDCA requires each Bernese Mountain Dog entrant to provide a valid AKC DNA Profile Number for the Bernese Mountain Dog entered on the Official Entry Form at the time of entry. This requirement applies to all Specialty competitive events. 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 subjecting 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 2026 Specialty entry, call AKC DNA Operations at 919-816-3508 to obtain a preliminary DNA number (accepted in extenuating circumstances only).

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

INDIVIDUAL REGISTRATION

Effective January 1, 2010: All dogs must be individually registered with either the AKC or a foreign registry organization whose pedigrees are acceptable for AKC registration to participate in any AKC Conformation, Performance, or Companion event.

DISTINGUISHED PANEL OF JUDGES

CONFORMATION

Best of Breed - Intersex:

Mrs. Abigail Patrizio [97059].....CLINTON, CT

Regular Dog, Non-Regular Dog & Brace Classes:

Mr. Svante Frisk [96352].....SVARTSJO, SWE

Regular Bitch & Non-Regular Bitch Classes:

Mr. Joe Lobb [38792].....BRUCEFIELD, ON

Junior Showmanship

Mr. Bryan Martin [3207].....MILWAUKIE, OR

2026 Futurity:

Ms. Brenda Calvelage.....LIMA, OH

Sweepstakes & Veteran Sweepstakes:

Ms. Wanda TaitSUMMERFIELD, BC

Versatility Showcase

Ms. Raime Campbell.....BOISE, ID

PeeWee Special Attraction:

Mrs. Debby Jones.....AUMSVILLE, OR

OBEDIENCE TRIAL

Ms. Laurie Rubin* [97989].....VANCOUVER, WA

RALLY TRIAL

Mr. David R. Denis [4599].....LADYSMITH, BC

See pages 20-22 of this Premium List for information about Agility, Draft, Herding, Farm Dog, Scentwork, Tracking, Triathlete Award & Fan Award. Top 20 Gala is on page 21. Premium Lists for these events can be downloaded at <https://www.bmdca.org/2026-specialty>

**DON'T FORGET TO
VOLUNTEER**

**Meet lots of people.
Make lifelong friends.**

**Link to Signup Genius with opportunities located at bmdca.org/2026 -
Contact Nanci Lien - 2redshoes@comcast.net with questions.**



RESERVED GROOMING

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

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

Exhibitors may reserve a 10' x 10' grooming space for \$150 which includes one electrical plug with 20 amps of power, for the entire show period. Limit of one grooming space per person. Paid reserved grooming spaces will be inside the Willamette Center. All spaces are on a first-come, first-served basis through Online Registration until capacity is reached. Limited numbers of reserved crating (no electric) will be available for Obedience and Rally exhibitors for the run of the Obedience/Rally trials. Day crating will also be available for the Obedience/Rally trials.

Exhibitors are encouraged to bring floor mats and extension cords 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 Expo Center staff or Specialty Committee.

All set-ups will be supervised by the Grooming Committee as representatives of the BMDCA in conjunction with the Linn County Expo Center staff. The BMDCA, acting through its Specialty Grooming Committee, 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 to conform to the Crate/Table/Aisle layout. Exhibitors are expected to comply with all rules as laid out by the BMDCA.

ADDITIONAL GROOMING, CRATING & SITE INFORMATION FOR EXHIBITORS AND ATTENDEES
GROOMING SPACES MUST BE VACATED IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE COMPLETION OF ALL CONFORMATION EVENTS ON SATURDAY, MAY 16, 2026 and no later than 6:00PM.

The grooming area will be open daily from 6:00AM (except for move-in day) and until 10:00PM (except on Saturday May 16 as indicated above).

DOGS ARE NOT PERMITTED TO STAY OVERNIGHT IN THE GROOMING AREA.

The host clubs, Show Committee, and Linn County Expo Center 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. All reasonable efforts will be made to honor those requests; however, they are not guaranteed.

No additional crating may be reserved or saved.

At time of move-in, exhibitors will be required to supply contact information, including hotel, room number, and cell phone number.

Bathing stations will be provided outside the Cascade Livestock Pavilion at the Linn County Expo Center. There will be three (3) tubs and hoses with warm water. Bathing/Grooming is not allowed in any hotel room.

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.

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.

There is NO parking allowed on the grass ANYWHERE at the show site.

Ringside chairs are NOT to be taken to the grooming area.

Complete the grooming section of the Online Registration form to reserve your spot! For questions, contact the Grooming Chair, Debby Jones at lazyjbernese@msn.com. Registration Closes March 15, 2026.

ENTRY FEES Includes AKC Fees, where applicable

Conformation & Obedience

First Entry of a Dog Unless Otherwise Specified.....	\$41.00
Each Additional Entry of the Same Dog Unless Otherwise Specified	\$36.00
Versatility Showcase.....	\$35.00
Junior Showmanship Only.....	\$10.00
Junior Showmanship as an Additional Class	NO FEE
Pee Wee.....	NO FEE
Stud Dog and Brood Bitch Classes per Unit.....	\$35.00
Conformation Brace Class per Dog (must be entered in another class).....	\$20.00
Conformation Team Class per Dog (First or Additional Entry).....	\$10.00
Sweepstakes Class (Must be entered in another class)	\$35.00
Veteran Sweepstakes Class (Need not be entered in another class)	\$35.00
Futurity (Must be entered in another class).....	\$35.00

Obedience

First Entry of a Dog.....	\$41.00
Additional Entry of the Same Dog.....	\$36.00
Obedience Brace Class per Dog (First or Additional Entry)	\$20.00
Obedience Team Class per Dog (First or Additional Entry)	\$10.00

Rally

First Entry of a Dog.....	\$41.00
Additional Entry of the Same Dog.....	\$36.00
Rally Team Class per Dog.....	\$10.00

MAIL ENTRIES WITH FEES to BaRay Event Services, PO Box 508, Burlington, WA 98233
See Entry Submission Guidelines, Page 26. Online Entry available.

ROSETTE PRIZES

Regular Classes

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

Obedience & Rally Classes

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

Non-Regular Classes

First Prize.....	Rose	Second Prize.....	Brown
Third Prize.....	Light Green	Fourth Prize.....	Gray
Best Junior Handler.....	Rose & Green	Reserve Junior Handler	Rose & Gray

Pee Wee Special Attraction ribbons are listed on page 14; Futurity ribbons are listed on Page 16; Sweepstakes and Veteran Sweepstakes ribbons are listed on Page 15; and Versatility ribbons are listed on page 17.

New Title Ribbons

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

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 Futurity
- Breeder of Best in Sweepstakes
- Breeder of Best in Veterans Sweepstakes

BREED CLASSIFICATION - BERNESE MOUNTAIN DOGS

REGULAR CLASSES

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.
<i>Novice classes are not offered</i>	
Amateur-Owner-Handler Dogs	Amateur-Owner-Handler Bitches
*Bred by Exhibitor Puppy Dogs, 6-12 mos.	*Bred by Exhibitor Puppy Bitches, 6-12 mos.
*Bred by Exhibitor Adult Dogs, 12+ mos.	*Bred by Exhibitor Adult Bitches, 12+ mos.
American Bred Dogs	American Bred Bitches
Open Dogs	Open Bitches
WINNERS DOG	WINNERS BITCH

BEST OF BREED COMPETITION

SELECT DOG & BITCH • NOHS BEST OF BREED • AWARDS OF MERIT

The following categories of dogs may be entered and shown in Best of Breed or Variety competition: Dogs that are Champions of Record, or Dogs which according to their owners' records have completed the requirements for a championship but whose championships are unconfirmed. The entry and showing of dogs whose championships are unconfirmed is limited to a period of 90 days from the day of the show where a dog completed the requirements for a championship according to the owners' records.

*Bred by Exhibitor *(BBE) Class Eligibility*

- 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.

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.

NON REGULAR CLASSES INVOLVING SINGLE ENTRIES

Veteran Dog, 7 Yrs. & under 9 Yrs.	Veteran Bitch, 7 Yrs. & under 9 Yrs.
Veteran Dog, 9 Yrs. & under 11 yrs	Veteran Bitch, 9 Yrs. & under 11 yrs
Veteran Dog, 11 Yrs. & older	Veteran Bitch, 11 Yrs. & older

Dogs/Bitches entered in Veterans Class need not be intact. Neutered dogs and spayed bitches are allowed to compete in Brace and Team classes.

NON REGULAR CLASSES INVOLVING MULTIPLE DOG 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. 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 and gaited to determine if there is a condition that would disqualify or excuse them under the Rules, AKC policy or the breed standard. All get must be entered in another class to be eligible to compete in Stud Dog or Brood Bitch. 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." 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, Non-Regular Veterans Class (held on May 14 or 15), 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 per dog.

Team Class: Four dogs of the same breed and must have at least one common owner and presented by a maximum of four handlers. The dogs comprising a team must be named at the time of entry and the Team Class noted in the space provided for Additional Classes. All dogs entered in Team Class must also be entered in a Regular Class, Non-Regular Veterans Class (held on May 14 or 15), or for Best of Breed Competition. If more than one Team is entered by the same owner, the dogs comprising each team must also be so designated, "Team No. 1," "Team No. 2," etc. Entry Fee: \$10 per dog.

SPECIAL RECOGNITION

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 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.

For information regarding Regulations, Entry and Eligibility for the AKC National Owner-Handled Series Please See www.AKC.org. (Remember to check the box near the bottom of the entry form)

Best 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.

Best Puppy* 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, 9-12 month and Bred-By Exhibitor Dog and Bitch Puppy Classes.

Best Bred by Exhibitor* 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 (Puppy and Adult). 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.

**NOTE: Best Veteran, Best Puppy or Best Bred By Exhibitor competition will be forgone if the Best of Breed is one of the above.*

SPECIALTY BREED PRIZES

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.

Best of Breed: Rosette, Specialty Director Chair, Nana B's Round Tote, Specialty Garment Bag

Best of Opposite Sex to Best of Breed: Rosette, Specialty Director's Chair, Nana B's Round Tote, Specialty Garment Bag

Best of Winners: Rosette, Specialty Garment Bag

Winners Dog/Winners Bitch: Rosette, Nana B's Round Tote

Select Dog/Bitch: Rosette, Specialty Garment Bag

Awards of Merit: Rosette, Specialty Grooming Arm Caddy

Reserve Winners Dog/Bitch: Rosette, Nana B's Ringside Tote

Best Veteran: Rosette, Nana B's Ringside Tote

Best Puppy: Rosette, Nana B's Ringside Tote

Best Bred By Exhibitor: Rosette, Nana B's Ringside Tote

NOHS Best of Breed: Rosette, Nana B's Ringside Tote

First in each Regular Dog/Bitch Class: Rosette, Embroidered Specialty Towel

Second - Fourth in Each Regular Dog/Bitch Class: Rosette, Embroidered Specialty Towel

First - Fourth in Veteran Dog/Bitch Classes: Rosette, Pottery from Prairie Dog Pottery

First - Fourth in Stud Dog, Brood Bitch Classes: Rosette, Nana B's Scissors Bag

First - Fourth in Brace & Team Classes: Rosette, Pottery from Prairie Dog Pottery

JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP COMPETITION

NOVICE 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 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.

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 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

RESERVE JUNIOR HANDLER: 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.

JUDGE: MR. BRYAN MARTIN

JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP PRIZES

Best Junior Handler: Rosette, Beads on Leads leash, Amazon Gift Card

Reserve Best Junior Handler: Rosette, Beads on Leads leash, Amazon Gift Card

First Place in each Junior Showmanship Class: Rosette, Small Cooler Bag, & Maureen Greaves-donated Show Lead

Second through Fourth Places in each Junior Showmanship Class: Rosette, Small Cooler Bag, and Maureen Greaves-donated Show Lead.

Trophies must be claimed the day 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.

PEE WEE CLASS SPECIAL ATTRACTION

FRIDAY, MAY 15, 2026 - LUNCH BREAK

MENTOR: MRS. DEBBY JONES

The Pee Wee Special Attraction is a pre-Junior Showmanship class. The Pee Wee class is geared toward children 5–9 years of age. Children younger than five cannot participate in the Pee Wee Class Special Attraction. The safety of the children is a primary concern.

Each Pee Wee unit consists of the child, his/her parent/guardian/responsible adult, and the dog. Only one Pee Wee unit is in the ring at a time. This is not a competitive class, but rather a fun, learning experience for the child and the adult.

At an All-Breed Event the judge must be an AKC approved All Breed Junior Showmanship Judge. A Group Club or Specialty Club may have a Limited Status Junior Showmanship Judge that meets the criteria.

- A dog must be at least four months of age to enter the Pee Wee class.
- Bitches in season will not be allowed to participate. If pre-entered, a dog may be substituted that meets the eligibility requirements as specified by the club.
- All dogs entered must have the proper lead and collar.
- A responsible adult must be present with the child both inside and outside the ring. The adult is to maintain control of the dog outside of the ring.
- It is up to the host club to decide if a dog must be registered to participate.
- How entries will be accepted is up to the host club. In addition to an entry, a release must be signed by the child's parent or legal guardian. Please contact Event Operations at eventplans@akc.org to request the current version of the Pee Wee Release of Liability.
- The entry fee, if any, shall be specified.
- Clubs may specify a limit on the number of children allowed to enter the class.
- Clubs must submit a summary report to AKC including number of entries and feedback to the Sport Services Department.

The safety of both the dogs and Juniors inside and outside the ring is a primary concern. Outside of the ring, the dog is to be controlled by the adult accompanying the child. An additional lead, provided by the Club, will be at the Judge's table. At the Judge's discretion based upon the size of the child and the dog, for safety purposes the adult may be asked to attach a second lead to the dog so both child and adult will walk the dog together.

Although the word "judge" will be used, this is designed to be a learning and mentoring experience—no Junior will be "judged" but rather will be mentored with the age-appropriate amount of information to help prepare them for what they will be expected to know about AKC regular Junior Showmanship once they reach 9 years of age.

REGISTRATION WILL BE TAKEN AT THE CLUB CONFORMATION RING TABLE THURSDAY & FRIDAY MORNINGS STARTING AT 9:00 AM. EACH ENTRANT WILL BE REQUIRED TO FILL OUT AN ENTRY FORM AND A RELEASE MUST BE SIGNED BY THE CHILD'S PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN. JUDGING WILL BE HELD DURING THE LUNCH BREAK ON FRIDAY.
THERE IS NO ENTRY LIMIT AND NO ENTRY FEE.

PEE WEE SPECIAL ATTRACTION PRIZES

Each Participant: Rosette & Gift

SWEEPSTAKES - TUESDAY, MAY 12, 2026

JUDGE: MS. WANDA TAIT

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 14, 2026, 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.

CLASSIFICATION

Puppy Dogs, 6 months & under 9 months • Puppy Dogs, 9 months & under 12 months
Junior Dogs, 12 months & under 15 months • Junior Dogs, 15 months & under 18 months
(Same Classes for Bitches)

**BEST PUPPY IN SWEEPSTAKES (6-12 mo) • BEST JUNIOR DOG IN SWEEPSTAKES (12-18 mo)
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 & Pottery from Prairie Dog Pottery

Best Puppy in Sweepstakes: Rosette & Pottery from Prairie Dog Pottery

Best Junior in Sweepstakes: Rosette & Pottery from Prairie Dog Pottery

1st Place each Sweepstakes Class: Rosette & Slip Lead handmade by Ursula Corpataux and Gift Item from Prairie Dog Pottery

2nd - 4th Place each Sweepstakes Class: Rosette & Slip Lead handmade by Ursula Corpataux and Gift Item from Prairie Dog Pottery

VETERAN SWEEPSTAKES - WEDNESDAY, MAY 13, 2026

JUDGE: MS. WANDA TAIT

Veteran Sweepstakes 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 14, 2026, which is the first day of Regular Class judging. Veterans need not be entered in another class. To enter as 2nd entry, indicate Veteran Sweepstakes class with the age division in the space provided for "Additional Classes."

CLASSIFICATION

Dogs, 7 years and under 9 years Dogs, 9 years and under 11 years

Dogs, 11 years and 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 Veteran in Sweepstakes - 5% • Best Opposite 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 & Pottery from Prairie Dog Pottery

Best of Opposite Sex to Best in Veteran Sweeps: Rosette & Pottery from Prairie Dog Pottery

First Place each Veteran Sweepstakes Class: Rosette & Slip Lead handmade by Ursula Corpataux & Gift item from Prairie Dog Pottery

Second through Fourth Places each Veteran Sweepstakes Class: Rosette & Slip Lead handmade by Ursula Corpataux & Gift item from Prairie Dog Pottery

JUDGE: MS. BRENDA CALVELAGE

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 2026 Futurity includes litters whelped from October 1, 2024, through September 30, 2025.

The 2026 Futurity shall be open to all litters bred by BMDCA members in good standing. All participants must comply with Futurity rules. The litter must be nominated by the breeder by submitting the litter nomination form to the Futurity Chair 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 Chair with the fee established in the rules (\$15.00 payable to the BMDCA) by either the owner(s) or breeder(s) on or 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 for the entry apart from the previous nomination fees. The Futurity Class entered will be based on the age of the puppy on April 1, 2026, 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 DOGS, OR BITCHES.

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

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 Futurity10% Breeder Best in Futurity20%
Best of Opposite Sex to Best in Futurity.....5% Breeder Best of Opposite Sex in Futurity5%

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%

FUTURITY PRIZES

Best in Futurity: Rosette & RTIC Specialty-Branded Ultra Cooler
Best of Opposite Sex to Best in Futurity: Rosette & RTIC Specialty-Branded Ultra Cooler
First - Fourth Places, Each Futurity Class: Rosette & Pin Brush

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

Space has been provided on 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 7 for more details.

VERSATILITY SHOWCASE - WEDNESDAY

JUDGE: MS. RAIME CAMPBELL

The Versatility Showcase is a stand-alone Conformation exhibition to showcase dogs and bitches that have earned the BMDCA Versatility Award or the BMDCA Versatility Excellent Award. 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 the awards have been earned but are not identified in Berner-Garde, 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 14, 2026, which is the first day of Regular Class judging. Neutered dogs and spayed bitches are allowed to compete in the Versatility Showcase.

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 & Specialty Raku
First - Fourth Places each Versatility Class: Rosette & Slip Lead handmade by Ursula Corpataux & Gift Item from Prairie Dog Pottery

ENTRIES CLOSE 12:00PM PDT, WEDNESDAY, APRIL 15, 2026

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 or via the the Baray Website. Make additional copies as necessary.

ENTRY FEE: \$35.00

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

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

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

DOG ENTRY		AKC DNA #	
Full Name of Dog:			
Showcase Class:	<input type="checkbox"/> VersatilityDogunder7years <input type="checkbox"/> VersatilityDog7Yearsandolder	<input type="checkbox"/> VersatilityExcellentDogunder7years <input type="checkbox"/> VersatilityExcellentDog7Years&older	
AKC Reg. #	SEX	<input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female	Date of Birth
Breeder:			
Sire:			
Dam:			
Owner:			
Owners Address:			

The 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

The 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

TUESDAY ADDITIONAL OBEDIENCE - MAY 12, 2026

Judge: Ms. Laurie Rubin - All Classes

"Dog" means either sex. Transfers will be allowed at this Trial per AKC Regulations.

Entries must include dog's jump height where applicable.

PLEASE NOTE: Refund of entries for bitches in season after the closing date of this show may be obtained by sending a veterinarian's certificate to the Show Superintendent, with a copy to the Event Chair, Mona Hommel. This certificate must be postmarked to the Show Superintendent and provided to the Event Chair at least 30 minutes before the start of Obedience judging on Tuesday, May 12, 2026. A Dark Green Qualifying Score Rosette will be given to each dog receiving a qualifying score. *Qualifying Score Required for All Awards*

CLASSIFICATION Regular Classes: Novice A & B Open A & B Utility A & B

Non-Regular Classes: Beginner Novice A & B

ADDITIONAL OBEDIENCE TRIAL PRIZES

A ring favor will be provided to all competitors.

New title rosettes will be awarded for entries completing an Obedience Title.

First - Fourth Place, Each Class: Rosette

OBEDIENCE TRIAL - THURSDAY, MAY 14, 2026

JUDGE

Ms. Laurie RubinAll Classes

Mr. David R. Denis..... Second Team Judge

Qualifying Score Required For All Prizes in Regular Classes. "Dog" means either sex. Transfers will be allowed at this Trial per AKC Regulations. 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 Thursday, May 14, 2026.

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.

Rings will be on custom-textured sport flooring that is padded for optimal comfort and safety.

Crating will be available in the building. No x-pens will be allowed. For questions, contact Mona Hommel, Obedience Chair, at monahommel@comcast.net

CLASSIFICATION

Regular Classes..... Novice 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

Team Obedience will be judged by Ms. Laurie Rubin and Mr. David Denis on Thursday in the Willamette Center, Main Conformation Ring following the conclusion of the regular and non-regular dog classes.

OBEDIENCE TRIAL PRIZES

Highest Scoring Dog in Regular Classes: Rosette, Specialty Director Chair, handmade Wooden Dumbbell made by Steve Dehart, Ryobi Fan with Specialty Logo Carrying Bag

Highest Combined Score in Open B & Utility Classes: Rosette, RTIC Specialty-Branded Ultra Cooler, Handmade by Steve Dehart Wooden Dumbbell

First-Fourth Place Each Obedience Class: Rosette & Specialty Logo Flat Sheet

First Place in Obedience Brace Class: Rosette & handmade Wooden Dumbbell made by Steve Dehart, Specialty Rally Towel

Second through Fourth Place in Obedience Brace Class: Rosette & Specialty Rally Towel

First Place in Veteran Obedience Class: Rosette & handmade Wooden Dumbbell made by Steve Dehart, Specialty Rally Towel

Second through Fourth Place in Obedience Veterans Class: Rosette & Specialty Rally Towel

First through Fourth Place in Team Obedience: Rosette & Clip Lead handmade by Ursula Corpataux & gift item from Prairie Dog Pottery

Highest Combined Score in Open B & Utility with a BMDCA Draft Dog Title: The Jay Jay Award, Handcrafted Wooden Bernese Mt Dog and Cart

Highest Scoring Dog in Regular Classes with a BMDCA Versatility Award: Specialty Logo Kibble Travel Go Bag

Highest Scoring Dog in Regular Classes with Grand Championship: Specialty Logo Kibble Travel Go Bag

Oldest Qualifying BMD in Regular Classes: Specialty Logo Kibble Travel Go Bag

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 Thursday, May 14, 2026. 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 May 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.

TUESDAY ADDITIONAL RALLY - MAY 12, 2026

Judge: Mr. David Denis - All Classes

"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 in season after the closing date of this show may be obtained by sending a veterinarian's certificate to the Show Superintendent, with a copy to the Event Chair, Mona Hommel. This certificate must be postmarked to the Show Superintendent and provided to the Event Chair at least 30 minutes before the start of Obedience judging on Tuesday, May 12, 2026. *A Dark Green Qualifying Score Rosette will be given to each dog receiving a qualifying score. Qualifying Score Required for All Awards*

RALLY RING SIZE - 50 x 60 feet

CLASSIFICATION Regular Classes: Novice A & B, Intermediate, Advanced A & B, Excellent A & B, Master, Choice

ADDITIONAL RALLY TRIAL AWARDS

A ring favor will be provided to all competitors.

New title rosettes will be awarded for entries completing a Rally Title.

First - Fourth Place, Each Class: Rosette

RALLY TRIAL - THURSDAY, MAY 14, 2026

JUDGE

Mr. David Denis.....All Classes

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 Rally judging on Wednesday, May 14, 2026.

A Dark Green Qualifying Score Rosette will be given to each dog receiving a qualifying score.

RALLY RING SIZE - 50 x 60 feet

CLASSIFICATION Regular Classes: Novice A & B, Intermediate, Advanced A & B, Excellent A & B, Master, Choice • **Non-Regular Class:** Team Novice

RALLY TRIAL PRIZES

New title ribbons will be awarded for entries completing a Rally Title.

Each competitor will also receive a ring favor.

Highest Triple Combined Score in Excellent B & Advanced B: Rosette, Specialty Logo RTIC Ultra Cooler

First - Fourth Place, Each Class: Rosette & Specialty Logo Trial, Training, & Title Book

Oldest Qualifying Dog in Regular Class: Specialty Logo Kibble Go Bag

Rally Pairs & Rally Team First-Fourth Place: Rosette & Specialty Logo Addicoat Rally Sign Book

CANINE GOOD CITIZEN TESTING

Canine Good Citizen™ (CGC): Responsible Dog Ownership means well-mannered dogs! The AKC Good Citizen testing program has become recognized as the "gold standard" for the term "well-mannered" as it relates to dog behavior. To encourage all Bernese Mountain Dogs to be well-mannered, we are offering CGC, CGCA (Community Canine) and CGCU (Urban) tests at the 2026 BMDCA National Specialty! For CGCA/CGCU tests, you must show proof of successful completion of the CGC test. Participation is on a first come, first served basis through Online Registration until the limit of 30 is reached. Sign up will occur through Berner University or separately through Specialty Registration. Please consult AKC test requirements for CGC at <https://www.akc.org/dog-owners/training/canine-good-citizen>. This test is open to Bernese Mountain Dogs over 6 months of age. Please bring your dog's AKC registration number and date of birth. Fee: \$25 (or \$20 if you are registered for Berner U)

Date of testing: Monday May 11, 2026 - 2:15 to 5:00PM or when completed

TRICK DOG TESTING CERTIFICATION

Wednesday, May 13, 2026 - Santiam Building, 9:00AM - 4:00PM

AKC Trick Dog: From the 1920s and 1940s when trick dogs such as Rin Tin Tin and Lassie won peoples' hearts, trick dog training has become one of the most exciting new areas in dog training today. We are proud to offer this certification at the 2026 BMDCA National Specialty and will test for Novice, Intermediate, Advanced and Performer levels. If you are testing for an advanced level, you must bring proof of successful completion of the previous level. For the Novice level, if your dog has completed their CGC, they only have to perform 5 tricks but you must present proof of successful completion of the CGC test. Come have fun with your dog! Participation is on a first come, first served basis through Online Registration until the limit of 50 is reached. Please consult AKC test requirements for Trick Dog at <https://www.akc.org/sports/trick-dog/>. Fee: \$25 All participants in the CGC and Trick Dog testing will receive a participation favor. Participants who pass their tests will receive a rosette.

Ms. Kristi Davis will conduct Trick Dog testing. Please indicate test time preference when you register. Confirmation of your estimated test time will be included in your registration packet. If you have questions, please contact Linda Dalton at ladalton51@yahoo.com. If you would like to volunteer to help, please sign-up through the Specialty's sign-up genius site.

VETERANS PARADE AND TITLEHOLDER GALLERY

PARADE OF VETERANS TO BE HELD Thursday, MAY 14, 2026, during Lunch Break

Do you have a Berner that has celebrated their seventh birthday on or before May 14, 2026? If so, enter your dog in the Veterans Parade. This event is for any Berner that qualifies by age. Your veteran will receive a Special Gift & Keepsake Parade Program to commemorate the occasion. Fee per dog is \$35.00.

TITLE HOLDER GALLERY - Has your Berner earned an AKC, CKC, BMDCA, or BMDCC title in Conformation, Obedience, Agility, Herding, Tracking, Rally, and/ or Draft? Photos of the Berners honored in the Titleholders Gallery will be displayed online and during the Annual Awards Dinner and will receive a commemorative Rosette & Gift. Fee per dog is \$35.00.

Register for the Veterans Parade and Title Holder Gallery through Online Registration
<https://bmdca.regfox.com/bmdca-2026-national-specialty>

AKC AGILITY TRIAL

Tuesday, May 12, 2026 - Barb White Agility Center, Turner, OR
Judge: Ms. Lori Sage

Trial Chair: Jennifer Brightbill, jbrightbill@mac.com

Trial Secretary: Beth Werner, dlady65@hotmail.com

Download a Premium list at <https://www.bmdca.org/2026-specialty> or by contacting the Agility Trial Secretary.

TOP TWENTY GALA

Join us for an evening of beautiful dogs at the BMDCA's Annual Top Twenty Gala. This event will showcase the top Conformation dogs from 2025. 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, 2025. The Junior Showmanship class judging will occur during the break. Come and cheer on our future generation!

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.

The Top Twenty competition will culminate on Wednesday evening in the Willamette Center. The event will be opened 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 winner will be announced at the conclusion of the Gala. In addition, attendees will also have the opportunity to vote for the People's Choice Award during the evening festivities.

The theme this year is "Peak of Perfection". The teams entered in the Top Twenty will be dressed in their finest formal wear. Attendees should also consider joining the formal fun. Top Twenty Gala donations are also very welcome and may be made through Online Registration.

<https://bmdca.regfox.com/bmdca-2026-national-specialty>

BMDCA DRAFT TESTS

Four Draft Tests, Monday, May 11 (2 tests), Wednesday, May 13 and Friday, May 15, 2026, Timber Linn Park - across the street from the Linn County Expo Center

Draft #1 Monday May 11th - Judges: Ms. Ruth Nielsen & Mr. Larry Bohlig

Draft #2 Monday May 11th - Judges: Ms. Beth Dennehy & Ms. Nancy Van Horne

Draft #3 Wednesday May 13th - Judges: Ms. Ruth Nielsen & Ms. Karyn Beyer

Draft #4 Friday May 15th - Judges: Ms. Jennifer Brightbill & Mr. Larry Bohlig

Test Chair: Karen Peterson, bernerdraftkaren@gmail.com

Master Test Secretary: Gina Craig, ginadraftsecretary@gmail.com

Download a Premium list at <https://www.bmdca.org/2026-specialty> or by contacting the Draft Test Secretary.

AKC FARM DOG TESTS

Sunday, May 10, 2026 - Brigand's Hideout (Test #1), Battle Ground, WA

**Tuesday, May 12, 2026 - Cascade Livestock Pavillion, Linn County Expo Center
(Tests #2 & #3)**

Judges: Renee Meriaux, George "Rusty" Jeffers, Wendy Kirk

Test Chair: Mary Dowski, madowski@aol.com

Test Secretary: Tara Jennings, sciencegurrl@gmail.com

Download a Premium list at <https://www.bmdca.org/2026-specialty> or by contacting the Farm Dog Test Secretary.

AKC HERDING TESTS & TRIALS

Sunday, May 10, 2026, Brigand's Hideout, Battle Ground, WA

Monday, May 11, 2026, Brigand's Hideout, Battle Ground, WA

Judges: Ms. Nancy Ward and Mr. George "Rusty" Jeffers

Event Chair: Mary Dowski, madowski@aol.com

Event Secretary: Tara Jennings, sciencegurrl@gmail.com

Download a Premium list at <https://www.bmdca.org/2026-specialty> or by contacting the Herding Event Secretary.

AKC SCENT WORK TRIAL

Sunday, May 10, 2026 – Conference Center, Linn County Expo Center

Judges: Ms. Terri Spaeth-Merrick & Gwendolyn Candelaria

Event Chair: Susan Parr, LHBernese@gmail.com

Event Secretary: Judi James, rainspring.mdg@gmail.com

Classes offered: Interior, Exterior, Containers, and Buried for Novice, Advanced, Excellent, and Master levels.

Monday, May 11, 2026 – Linn County Expo Center

Judge: Ms. Terri Spaeth-Merrick

Class Offered: Detective

Download a Premium list at <https://www.bmdca.org/2026-specialty> or by contacting the Scent Work Event Secretary

AKC TRACKING TESTS

Sunday May 10, 2026 - Linn Benton Community College & Lukiamute State National Area

Judges: Ms. Lisa Klein & Mr. Roy Fair

Test Chair/Secretary: Denise Waiting, boxin4@aol.com

Tests offered (limited entry): Tracking Dog, Tracking Dog Excellent, Tracking Dog Urban, Variable Surface Testing (2 spots for each level)

Download a Premium list at <https://www.bmdca.org/2026-specialty> or by contacting the Tracking Trial Secretary.

SPECIAL PERFORMANCE AWARD - THE TRIATHLETE CHALLENGE

ENTRY FORMS DUE MONDAY, APRIL 27, 2026

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 passing scores from the Rally and Obedience trials on Thursday May 14 will be counted towards the Triathlete award. 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 at

<https://www.bmdca.org/2026-specialty>

and email the form to rnielsenlaw@gmail.com no later than April 27, 2026. For questions, email Ruth at rnielsenlaw@gmail.com. **Mailed entries are 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 HEALTH INFORMATION

The Bernese Mountain Dog Club of America, Inc. has planned these trials and shows in accordance with public health requirements in place as of the publication of the Interactive Schedule and this Premium List. The health and welfare of our exhibitors, judges, club members, and all those who work to make the shows a success is paramount. At the time of publication, no public health requirements are in effect for the show site and the size of our events. Any changes to requirements will be included with the judging program. Any changes will be based on local and state requirements, as well as the AKC Suggested Best Practices for the Well-Being of Dog Sport Participants (available at AKC.org).

EVENT ATTENDEES VOLUNTARILY ASSUME ALL RISKS RELATED TO EXPOSURE TO COMMUNICABLE DISEASES.

TRAVEL INFORMATION

BY AIR - The Show sites are conveniently located between two major airports:

Portland International Airport (PDX) – approximately 70 miles from the show site and 25 miles from the Herding Trials in Battle Ground, WA

Eugene, Oregon (EUG) Airport - <https://www.eugene-or.gov/1715/Visitors> - approximately 45 miles from the show site.

No shuttle service to or from airports will be offered by the BMDCA. Car or van rental is recommended.

BY LAND

From the NORTH: On Interstate 5 South, take the Fair/Expo exit #234 and follow the signs east to Knox Butte Road. The hotels will be on your right and the driveway to the Linn County Expo Center will be about 500 feet beyond the hotels.

From the SOUTH: On Interstate 5 North, take Exit 234 to the Fair/Expo and follow signs east to Knox Butte Road. The hotels will be on your right and the driveway to the Linn County Expo Center will be about 500 feet beyond the hotels.

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 clubs, all event sites, and Show Superintendent/event secretaries 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 their 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 agents, officials, employees, volunteers, and members in the event that a motor vehicle or crate must be entered to rescue a dog from overheating or suffocation due to improper ventilation.
- Each crate must be labeled for identification in case of emergencies.
- The Bernese Mountain Dog Club of America, Inc., the host clubs, all events sites, and Show Superintendent/event secretaries and their agents, employees, officials, volunteers, and members will not be responsible for any lost or damaged items left at the show event sites.
- 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.

HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS

There is no official host hotel. However, the Show Committee negotiated specialty rates at the following hotels:

Comfort Suites - 100 Opal Court NE, Albany, OR 97332 – this room block is almost completely full. 541-497-7782

Rate: King and Double Queen suites – \$139 plus 13.5% tax (current rate) – breakfast included

Guests will call 541-928-2053, select option 2 to make reservations and must request The Bernese Mountain Dog of America rate at time of booking.

By making a reservation at this hotel, you consent to the hotel providing the Specialty Chair with a rooming list of attendees including yourself.

Pet Fee: \$20/night for up to 4 dogs – this may be updated shortly

Block Available until filled or April 10, 2026 at the latest.

Phoenix Inn Suites – 3410 Spicer Drive SE, Albany, OR 97322 – rooms are still available in the block for this hotel - 541-926-5696

Rate: King Room - \$139/Double Queen - \$149 (this rate does not include taxes) – Breakfast included

Guests will call 541-926-5696 to make reservations and must request The Bernese Mountain Dog of America rate at time of booking. The room block includes 15 non-dog rooms.

Pet Fee: \$20/day – 2-dog limit

Block Available until filled or March 11, 2026 at the latest.

Holiday Inn Express – 105 Opal Court NE, Albany, OR 97322 – there are some rooms available in this block - 541-928-8820

Rate: \$165 plus tax at 13.5% (current rate) – King, Double Queen, Xstandard – breakfast included

Guests will call 541-928-8820 to make reservations and must request The Bernese Mountain Dog of America rate at time of booking.

Pet Fee: \$20/day for up to 4 dogs for a maximum of \$100 -- Block Available until filled or April 17, 2026 at the latest

RV PARKING - ONSITE

We are thrilled to offer a variety of overnight camping spaces available at the Linn County Expo Center through an online process. RVs will be assigned designated spaces. Application for an RV Parking Space implies acknowledgement and agreement to adhere to all RV restrictions and rules.

Types of Spaces and Rates:

1. Eleven (11) Full Power (50 amp) and Water Hookup - \$45/night (SOLD OUT)
2. Thirty-seven (37) Full Power (30 amp) and Water Hookup - \$40/night
3. Thirteen (13) Power (30 amp) only - \$35/night
4. Six (6) No Hookups - \$25/night

The site has an RV Dump Station. Depending on interest, the committee may provide a mid-week dump for an extra charge. The Expo Center also provides three (3) men's and three (3) women's shower stalls in the Cascade Livestock Pavilion.

For additional information and the RV reservation form, contact RV Chair Larry Nielsen at nielsenlh1@gmail.com and look at the Specialty Website

Don't forget to volunteer! Sign Up through the Specialty's Sign-Up Genius site.

Meet lots of people!

Make lifelong friends!

Questions about the site can be directed to Nanci Lien at 2redshoes@comcast.net.



NOTICE TO EXHIBITORS - ALL EVENTS

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 the following at every Licensed or Member club event: An AKC

Recording and Service Fee of \$4.50 for each entry. An AKC Event Service Fee of \$3.00 per entry will be required for each dog entered at any 4 & Under 6 Months Puppy and Open Show. All Recording and Event Service Fees are paid to the American Kennel Club. (There is no Recording Fee or Event Service Fee for Junior Showmanship, Sweepstakes, Futurities, Breeds/Team, Multi-Dog Classes, or Special Attractions.)

- 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 canceled 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 Club 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 not be accepted.
- 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 Ch. 11, Sec. 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 rings.
- Only dogs eligible for these shows will be admitted into 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>

RAFFLE

Tuesday May 12 – Friday, May 15, 2026 - Willamette Center - Linn County Expo Center

The Raffle Rangers are already working on amazing plans for the 2026 Specialty raffles. This is one of the best ways to support activities and events at the Specialty. Please consider donating some fabulous items to the 2026 National Specialty Raffles. The Raffle is one of the show's primary fundraisers, which help to keep the costs down for all attendees. Tickets can be purchased at the Raffle Table or from the Raffle Rangers as they are scouting around.

If you bring your raffle items to the Specialty, they must be received by noon on Tuesday, May 12th at the Raffle Table to be included.

Tickets will be drawn at 1:00PM on Friday, May 15. Prizes MUST be claimed no later than 12:00PM on Saturday, May 16. *Unclaimed items will be gifted to the 2027

Raffle Committee. Questions? Contact Raffle Rangers: Nanci Lien at 2redshoes@comcast.net; 360-731-1601, or Jeff Lincoln at Jeffrey.lincoln@outlook.com; 253-278-2800.



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.

VENDORS

We offer premium booth spaces to commercial vendors in the Willamette Center at the Linn County Expo Center. A vendor space request form is available upon request.

Commercial booth spaces are 10' x 10', will have electrical access, and will include one table and two chairs. Additional tables and chairs can be rented for a small fee. Tables may not be shared, and space between booths cannot be occupied. No refunds will be made for "no shows." An additional booth space may be available if you require a 20' x 10' space.

Set-up will begin on Monday, May 11, at 7:00 am. All vendor spaces must be vacated by 6:00 pm on Saturday, May 16.

Contact Vendor Co-Chairs Diane Bowers at dibowers@hotmail.com or Denise Waiting at boxin4@aol.com for questions or to request vendor space. Agreements should be returned by January 30, 2026.

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 NOT ACCEPTED. An interactive entry blank PDF that can be filled out and mailed in 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. (07/22)