



Welcome

After 2 years of postponement due to COVID, we would like to invite you to join us in celebrating our wonderful breed at the 2022 National Specialty being held in conjunction with the Alberta Kennel Club (AKC) All-breed show in lovely Calgary, Alberta. Planning is underway and our team is hard at work to make this a fun-filled weekend and an event to remember. This information packet should provide you with the details needed for you to begin planning your trip to join us at the BMDCC 2022 Specialty. With the COVID impact on dog shows over the past 2 years, there are many specialties scheduled during the AKC show. If you plan to attend, <u>please</u> <u>make your reservations early.</u>

We look forward to seeing everyone!

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. Denise Keith, 2022 Specialty Show Chair, cell 403-919-7184, dkeith00@live.com

Keep up with all the latest news at the BMDCC page:

https://www.facebook.com/BMDCC 2022 National Specialty



Schedule of Events

Registration begins at the beginning of May 2022 and ends in early July 2022

Thursday, July 28, 2022

BMDCC Specialty Draft Trial (Offsite from Spruce Meadows) - Offering NDD, DD, & BDD

Tentative Schedule - In Association with Alberta Kennel Club (AKC) All-Breed Conformation Show Schedule

Friday, July 29, 2022

BMDCC Puppy Sweepstakes (6-9 Mos, 9-12 Mos, 12-15 Mos, 15-18 Mos) BMDCC Veteran Sweepstakes (7-9 Years, 9-11 Years, 11 Years Plus) AKC All Breed Conformation AKC All Breed Rally/Obedience /Agility

Saturday, July 30, 2022

BMDCC National Specialty (Regular Classes, Baby Puppy, Veteran, Stud Dog, Brood Bitch, and Altered) BMDCC National Specialty Brace BMDCC Veteran's Parade AKC All Breed Conformation AKC All Breed Rally/Obedience/Agility -(offering special prizes for highest qualifying Bernese) BMDCC BBQ Dinner

Sunday, July 31, 2022

European Style Evaluation for Bernese Mountain Dogs AKC All Breed Conformation AKC Limited Group 3 (Working Group Event) with BMDCC sponsored Booster for BMDs AKC All Breed Rally/Obedience/Agility Booster for BMDs

Monday, August 1, 2020

AKC All Breed Conformation AKC All Breed Rally/Obedience/Agility

Distinguished Panel of Judges

BMDCC National Specialty – All Conformation Classes Judge: Andrea Maret, Fully, Switzerland



Together with her husband Christophe, Andrea has been breeding Bernese Mountain dogs under the kennel name de Marais Champagne since 1999. Their goal is to improve the breed in health and structure. They have breed show champions and therapy dogs. Andrea's dogs go into schools with the 'Prevent a Bite' to teach kids how to behave and interact with dogs. They have regularly produced club champion winners -- a dog who makes the most points in all Swiss shows during one (1) year, as well as BOS at the Swiss BMD Specialty.

Andrea is active in the Bernese Mountain Dog Club of Switzerland, as a member of the Board, and serving as the president of the breeding committee since 2005, with responsibility for the studbook, show judges, evaluating dogs for behavior, and serving as a consultant for breeders. She is also the club contact for the health committee, collaborating and working with scientists in their research to improve the quality and health of the breed.

Andrea is a certified FCI judge with numerous European judging assignments and also served as the judge of the Swiss Bernese Mountain Dog Specialty in 2018.

BMDCC Draft Test Judges: June Ward, Tiny, ON & TBD

BMDCC Puppy and Veteran Sweepstakes Judge: June Ward Tiny, ON

AKC Obedience, Rally, and Agility Judges: Assigned by AKC

European-Style Show

Judge: Christophe Maret, Fully Switzerland



We are very fortunate to have Christophe Maret (Marais Champagne kennel) judge our European-style evaluation.

Parade

To honor our wonderful Berners, we are holding our traditional veteran's parade for your dogs to strut their stuff.

The parade is open to all purebred CKC and AKC registered Bernese Mountain Dogs. All dogs must be entered in an official class or Exhibition only on the day of the parade. All dogs must also have a Berner-garde number. All Veteran's titles will be announced during the parade, and after registration, you will be asked to provide information about your dog.

Applications for parade entry will be available at the end of April and will cost \$10 per dog.

Questions can be emailed to dkeith00@live.com



Host Hotel: Delta South 135 Southland Drive SE Calgary AB T2J 5X5 (403) 278-5050

A block of rooms has been set aside at group room rates, not including taxes: Standard - \$149.99

https://www.marriott.com/event-reservations/reservationlink.mi?id=1648682704822&key=GRP&app=resvlink

A block of rooms has been set aside at a group room rate, not including taxes:

Start Date	End Date	Room Type	Single	Breakfast Included
07/28/2022	08/01/2022	Delta Standard Room Two Queens	\$149.00	Yes
07/28/2022	08/01/2022	Atrium Deluxe Two Queen	\$174.00	Yes
07/28/2022	08/01/2022	Atrium Suite One King and Pull-out	\$239.00	Yes

Bernese Mountain Dog Specialty

The Hotel's room rates are subject to applicable state and local taxes (currently 12.27%) in effect at the time of check out. A pet fee of \$25.00 per night to a maximum of \$75.00 for the entire stay is applicable. The daily breakfast buffet is included in the attendee's room rate.

Please use the reservation link above or call Marriott Reservation at 1 (800) 268-1133 or (403) 278-5050 on or before Thursday, June 30, 2022 (CUTOFF DATE) to make reservations. Identify yourself as part of the BMDCC Specialty Group staying at the hotel.

Additional Accommodation Accepting Dogs

Wingate by Wyndham, 400 Midpark Way SE, Calgary AB PH (403) 514-0099 Holiday Inn Express & Suites Calgary, AB PH (403) 225-3000

Exhibitors are liable for any damage caused by dogs. No bathing dogs in rooms. Dogs are not permitted in pool areas and are not to be left unattended in rooms. Please book your reservation early.

RV Parking/Camping - <u>RV spots will be on dogshow.ca when the premium list goes live, they can do it</u> with entries or on its own At Spruce Meadows - RV

All ⁴ days - \$165 Nightly Rate only \$50/night Date of Arrival Rate: \$200 etransfer only





From Airport

Get on AB-2 S from Airport Rd NE and 96 Ave NE/Airport Trail NE - 10 min (5.2 km)

Continue on AB-2 S to Spruce Meadows Way SW 26 min (39.66 km)

Continue on Spruce Meadows Way SW to your destination in De Winton - 2 min (850 m) Spruce Meadows 18011 Spruce Meadows Way SW, Calgary, AB T2X 4B7



Airport to Host Hotel

Get on AB-2 S from Airport Rd NE and 96 Ave NE/Airport Trail NE W - 10 min (5.2 km)

Follow AB-2 S to Southland Drive SE. Take exit 245-46 from AB-2 S - 12 min (21.2 km)

Follow Southland Drive to your destination - 4 min (2.5 km)

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Sue Higgins Off-Leash Dog Park is near the Delta Hotel – The park lies along the west bank of the Bow River as it flows through the southeast corner of the city. The park consists of an island, riverbanks, flood plain, and inland marshes. The park was established in 1994 and covers about 62 hectares.



Sue Higgins Off-Leash Dog Park







For those visiting Calgary for the first time, you may want to consider a side trip to beautiful Canmore, Banff, or Lake Louise.

Canmore is a town in Alberta's Rocky Mountains, west of Calgary. It's known for craggy summits like the Three Sisters and Ha Ling Peak. In nearby Canmore Nordic Centre Provincial Park, the Grassi Lakes Trail weaves past a waterfall to 2 turquoise blue lakes.

Banff is a resort town in the province of Alberta, located within Banff National Park. The peaks of Mt. Rundle and Mt. Cascade, part of the Rocky Mountains, dominate its skyline. On Banff Avenue, the main thoroughfare, boutiques, and restaurants mix with château-style hotels and souvenir shops. The surrounding 6,500 square kilometers of parkland are home to wildlife including elk and grizzly bears.

Lake Louise is a hamlet in Banff National Park in the Canadian Rockies, known for its turquoise, glacier-fed lake ringed by high peaks and overlooked by a stately chateau. Hiking trails wind up to the Lake Agnes Tea House for bird's-eye views. There's a canoe dock in summer, and a skating rink on the frozen lake in winter.

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Specialty Catalog Ads

Advertising, Greetings, In Memory and Best Wishes......

The Specialty Catalog will be produced in 8 x 11 coil bound format and will be in black and white. It will be available for pre-purchase with a very limited number available for sale at the show site. To have your photo, greeting, in memory, or advertisement included in the catalog, the following prices will apply:

Full Page (includes one photo)\$	30.00
Half Page\$	20.00

Your submissions should be a camera-ready ad in either PDF or JPG format with a resolution of 300 dpi and can be emailed to Denise Keith at <u>dkeith00@live.com</u>

All dogs featured in catalog ads must include a Berner-garde#.

Payments are due at the time of placing your ad and can be made by one of the following means:

Interac e-transfer: to BMDC@xplornet.com (Question: specialty 2022 Answer: catalog). Cheque: make payable to BMDCC and mail to: BMDCC Treasurer: Gaylynn Janzen, 25 Rendale Ave, St. Catherines ON, L2M 6G2

Please indicate that the payment is for a catalog ad.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Judges' Dinner

Please join us for the Judges' BBQ – location TBD on Saturday, July 31, 2022. This is a great opportunity to catch up with friends over some good food and conversation. Cost, registration & location information to be provided once arrangements are completed.

Photographer

Winning Show Photos will be made available by the AKC Summer Classic Show with additional information upcoming in the Premium List.

Benching Space

Indoor/outdoor benching space is available and can be reserved during AKC registration. Please make sure to clean your space before you leave the show.

Histio Testing

We have secured a vet to conduct testing and are working with Antagene to order materials. Once the details are in place, we will provide a sign-up for 'first come, first serve.'

<u>Raffle</u>

We will be holding a raffle during the show with the draw being done early Sunday morning. We would like to invite all of you to join in and donate a basket of goodies to the raffle. This is an opportunity to give back to the breed and honor one of your beloved Berners. Please include your name, your dog's name, and any information that you would like to add about your wonderful Berner.

<u>Weather</u>

As the saying goes, 'If you don't like Calgary weather, wait 10 minutes.' It is generally hot in August, but we do have rain and even snow on occasion. You should plan for the heat (fans, clothing, sunscreen) but bring some extras in case of damp or colder weather. If you plan to fly, please confirm eligibility to transport your dogs this time of year.

Additional Show and Registration Information

At this time, some COVID restrictions remain in place. We anticipate additional changes before the show, and for the most up-to-date, please see:

https://www.alberta.ca/covid-19-travel-advice

Currently, visitors are required to enter their information into Arrive CAN:

https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/services/diseases/coronavirus-disease-covid-19/arrivecan.html

Attention foreign exhibitors - as per Section 8.3.1 of the CKC Conformation Rules, every dog entered in a Championship show must be one of the following: a) registered with the CKC, b) have an Event Registration Number, c) be eligible for registration with the CKC.

Listed Dogs: If a dog is not registered but is eligible for registration with the CKC, it may be entered at a show as a listed dog provided: a) that if born in Canada, it is eligible for individual registration; b) that if not born in Canada, is eligible for registration in the records of the CKC; c) that if it is a foreign-born and owned a dog, an Event Registration Number or CKC registration number is obtained from the CKC within 30 days of the first show entered. **Section 8 4.2 Entry of a listed dog at a show must be accompanied by a listing fee as set by the Board in addition to the regular entryfee.**

NOTICE TO U.S. EXHIBITORS RE: ERN NUMBERS Dogs that are foreign-born and foreign-owned and enter Canada for the sole purpose of entering CKC events do not require a CKC registration number but will require an Event Registration Number (ERN).

This Event Registration Number must be applied for within 30 days of the first day of entering a CKC event. Please forward your request to:

PAYMENT OF ENTRY FEES BY U.S. EXHIBITORS: Current exchange rate favors the American dollar. To take full advantage of this, please purchase bank drafts or money orders payable in Canadian funds. Personal cheques will be accepted; however, they must be payable in U.S. funds, and for the full amount of the entry. Please do not mark personal cheques payable in Canadian funds, or 'at par' as such items are not readily cleared through the banks. Your cooperation is appreciated!

So basically, the US exhibitors can enter their dog as "listed" but if they win any awards or points they must apply for a URN number or register their dog with the CKC within 30 or they will lose it.

BORDER CROSSING: A Rabies Certificate is required to bring a dog into Canada. Government regulations require this certificate and it MUST be updated at least thirty days before re-entry into the U.S.