

*Belgian Sheepdog Club of America*  
*National Specialty*  
**2013 Information Booklet**

*May 6 - May 11, 2013*

*Olympia Resort*

*Oconomowoc, Wisconsin*



*Welcome !!!*



Schedule of Events

- Monday – May 6      Tracking (AM) – Open to all breeds w/ BSD preference  
 Tracking seminar - Vincent Ramirez – after Tracking Trial
- Tuesday – May 7      Herding – Camp Bandy, Amherst Jct, WI  
 Duck herding handling clinic - James Bergert - after Herding Trial  
 HIC's following Trial
- Wednesday – May 8      Obedience/Rally - 8:00 am – 2:00 pm  
 Conformation Training Clinic –  
    Lisa Goddard/Marcy Spalding – 2:30 – 4:30 pm  
 Board Meeting - 5:00 pm  
 Member Appreciation Welcome Party w/ Bingo and Prizes! - 7:00 pm
- Thursday – May 9      Agility – Olympia (Outdoors) - 8:00 am – 1:00 pm  
 Junior Messenger Dog Demo  
    JMD/FMD Run-Thrus – see web site for more information  
 Puppy 4-6 months Ring Time Run-Thrus - 2:00pm  
 Sweeps - 3:00 pm  
 Membership meeting    7:00 pm
- Friday – May 10      Judges Education - 7:30 am  
 Dogs/Bitches 9:00 am  
 Veterans  
 Junior Showmanship  
 Junior Handling Clinic – Cara Greger – after Junior judging  
 OFA Eye Clinic - 1:30 - 4:00 pm  
 Nosework Clinic - approx.. 3:00 pm - Packerland KC members  
 Juniors Brat Fry (Juniors Free) - 6:30 pm  
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 Contract Clinic – Dr. Marty Greer, Atty - 7:00 – 9:00 pm
- Saturday – May 11      Best of Breed  
 Awards Banquet  
    Drinks 6:00 – 6:30 pm  
    Dinner 6:30 pm

## Show Committee

### **Show Chair**

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Agility  
Banquet  
Catalog Ads  
OFA Eye Clinic  
Chief Steward  
Conf. Steward  
Finances  
Fund Raising  
Grounds  
Herding  
Hospitality  
Hotel Liaison  
Information Brochure  
Judges Hospitality  
Marked Catalogs  
Obedience  
Raffle/Silent Auction  
Rally  
RV Parking  
Tracking  
Trophies  
Trophy Donations  
Vendors  
Web Site  
Welcome Reception

### **Bonnie Leonard**

### **Susan Spinhirne**

Laurie Bandy  
Marion Heise  
Sue Bonness  
Susan Spinhirne  
Susan Spinhirne  
Marion Heise  
Marion Heise  
Laurie Bandy  
Suzie Manier  
Bonnie Leonard  
Mary Ann Ralston / Marion Lloyd  
Tim Beihoff  
Bonnie Leonard  
Marion Ralston  
Marion Heise  
Susan Spinhirne  
Lynn Sharkey  
Barbara Swisher  
Sherry Hanley  
Don Miller  
Bonnie Leonard / Susan Spinhirne  
Marion Heise  
Susan Spinhirne  
Stephanie Case  
Sharon Roundy



## **Judges**

Conformation	Skip Stanbridge
Sweeps	Lorra Miller
Junior Showmanship	Cara Gregor
Tracking	Eibhlin Glennon
Herding	James Bergert Iowa
	Joanna Yund Minnesota
Agility	Sionag Black Wisconsin
Obedience	Fred Buroff Illinois
Rally	Harry Beggs Wisconsin

## **Welcome !**

Welcome to the Belgian Sheepdog Club of America 2013 National Specialty.

To many of you this will be a very familiar location. I hope this year will find the economy in much better shape than the last time you were here so you can relax and enjoy the week.

Our volunteers are what make a Specialty happen. We are all volunteers. Thank you everyone who volunteered to chair a committee and those who come forward at the event to help out. You are all very important to making this an enjoyable event for all.

Thank you everyone and please have a great time!

Bonnie Leonard, 2013 Specialty Chair

## **Web Site**

Check out our web site. You will find additional information there including directions to the off-site events (Tracking – Herding) / Order forms for Clothing / A form for pre ordering Catalogs and signing up for our extra Specialty Seminars.

### **Show Superintendent / Secretary**

This year again we are pleased to have *CAPER (Canine Agility & Performance Event Resource)* managing all the paperwork for our Specialty. CAPER is an all in one Superintendent that handles the Superintendent and Secretarial jobs. What an asset.

Sue Fregien / CAPER  
2492 Apple Rd  
Waterford, WI 53185  
[sue@caper-dogs.com](mailto:sue@caper-dogs.com)  
[www.caper-dogs.com](http://www.caper-dogs.com)

### **Hotel Accommodations**

Host Hotel: Olympia Resort  
1350 Royale Mile Road  
Oconomowoc, WI  
800-558-9573  
[www.olympiaresort.com](http://www.olympiaresort.com)

The hotel rates for the 2013 BSCA National Specialty are the same as they were back in 2009. It pays to be a return customer.

**This hotel has a few very specific rules.**

If you have dogs in your room you **MUST** have the provided 'Dogs in Room' signage on your door.

You **MUST** allow the hotel staff to clean your room **EVERY DAY**.

**Check out the BSCA 2013 web site for a complete list of Hotel Rules and Regulations.**

### **Alternate Accommodations**

If you're looking for someplace a little more affordable to stay, check out our web site for alternate hotel accommodations.

## **RV Parking**

Olympia Resort has plenty of room for RV Parking. The cost is \$25 per night. There are no water or sewer hookups at the hotel. We are making arrangement for a one time pump out. Further information can be obtained from the web site. Reservation forms are to be sent to Sherry Hanley.

## **Campgrounds**

Circle K Campgrounds Palmyra, WI 53156 **Phone:**(262) 495-2896  
Country View Campgrounds Mukwonago, WI 53149 **Phone:**(414) 662-3654  
Pilgrims Campground Fort Atkinson, WI 53538 **Phone:** (800) 742-1697

## **Events**

### **Tracking - Closes April 10**

The TD/TDX test will be held at Anderson Farm, Kettle Moraine State Forest, Eagle, WI. If you are available to lay tracks for any tracking events please contact our Tracking Chair. We are always looking for track layers. Experience is not necessary.

### **Herding - Closes April 10**

Herding trial is being held at BSCA club member Laurie Bandy's place, Camp Bandy. The Timber Ridge Dog Training Club has been having herding trials at this location for many years now. The sheep will be a combination of Laurie Bandy's and Bonnie Leonard's. It is a 2 ½ hour drive north of the Hotel but we feel it will be worth it. The drive is very straight forward and uncomplicated.

We will have two Course A sheep trials / PT / HT and one Course A duck trial. Alternate hotels for this location can be found on the BSCA 2013 web site. HIC's will be offered immediately following the trial.

### **Obedience /Rally - Closes April 10**

We are having one obedience and rally trial this year. We will have two judges so we can keep our day moving along. This event will be held indoors in the main ballroom at Olympia Resort. All of the optional Obedience classes will be offered this year along with veterans Novice obedience.

### **Agility - Closes April 10**

The agility trial will be held on the grass outside at the Olympia Resort. All entries will be unlimited. Time to Beat will be offered.

### **Welcome Reception**

The Welcome reception will be held on Wednesday evening. Visit the BSCA 2013 website for more information.

### **Awards Banquet**

The Awards Banquet is the grand finale to a great week of showing and socializing. It will be held at the Olympia Resort. More information and a reservation form can be found on the BSCA 2013 website.

### **Versatility award**

You must pre-register to compete for the Versatility Award.

Information regarding the rules and requirements and the application for the Versatility Award can be found at [bsca2013.bsca.info](http://bsca2013.bsca.info). It is located under Other Events - Awards Banquet – Awards.

**It is your responsibility to report your scores and report them accurately. I won't let Linda or Karen chase anyone around anymore to get them to record their info. She gets to enjoy the Specialty too. If your scores aren't turned in on time, they don't get counted.**



## Clean up!!

### We are not your mother or your kennel help!!

I don't think I need to tell you how important it is to clean up after your dogs outside. The Grounds volunteer is the most unwanted job and a very unappreciated one.

She will have plenty of buckets, bags and scoopers available for all your needs.

All you need to do is use them.

The hotel is very adamant about their rooms.

**\*\* You must have plastic under your crates in your room.**

Bags are available in Hospitality.

**\*\* They do not want dogs on their beds.**

Bring along a sheet or blanket to keep on your bed, just in case.

### Trophy Donations

Trophy donations can be made at any time leading up to the Specialty. Donations made after the closing date for catalog ads will not be listed in the catalog. To sponsor a specific class please see the BSCA 2013 website for those trophies still available.

Thank you for your donations !!





## **OFA Eye Exams**

### **Additional Information - Please Read:**

The Canine Eye Registration Foundation (CERF) was the only registry for screening eye examinations until recently when a second registry was established through the Orthopedic Foundation for Animals (OFA). The eye examination performed is the same for either registry as are the criteria for pass or fail, but the forms to be completed and submitted are different. The American College of Veterinary Ophthalmologists (ACVO) has endorsed the OFA registry in preference to CERF. Therefore, most ophthalmologists will provide OFA registry forms unless the pet owner specifically requests a CERF form. Both forms will be available at the eye clinic, but there will be a \$2.00 surcharge for each CERF form requested. The cost of the OFA form is included in the examination fee.

Eye exams will be offered by Dr. B. Keith Collins from Eye Care for Animals, a Board Certified Ophthalmologist from Pewaukee, WI. The exam times will start at approximately 1:30 p.m. on Friday, May 10, 2013, following the Dog and Bitch classes.

We are required to have a minimum of 30 dogs. This will be open to all breeds with Belgian sheepdogs having preference. We will have a sign-up sheet which you must sign whether or not you have pre-entered. Pre-entering does reserve you a slot but not a time. The sign-in sheet will determine your appointment time. You may pick from what is available. If you are not there at your time slot time, you will be moved to follow the last person signed in. If the clinic is filled, we will not take walk-ins. The exam fee is \$30.00. Be sure to have each dog's AKC number at time of exam.

For each reservation, include the following information:

- Your name
- Your mailing address
- Your e-mail address
- Dog's call name
- Dog's registered name
- Breed of dog

Send reservation and check made out to BSCA to:

- Susan Spinhirne
- 26804 South Beverly Drive
- Monee IL 60449

NOTE: Clinic will be canceled if 30 reservations not received by April 10. All checks will be returned in the event of cancellation. If you cancel your reservation(s) before April 10, you will receive a refund and the next person on the waiting list will be notified.

## **Silent Auction / Raffle**

If you have any items to donate for our Raffle, you can either mail them to our Raffle Chair, Lynn Sharkey, or bring them to the Hospitality Room when you arrive. If you ship your items, please make sure they are well wrapped so they aren't damaged in transit. The BSCA is grateful for any donations made to the raffle. Please make sure all items are in good condition. The BSCA is NOT a 501 (C) (3) organization and donations to the BSCA are NOT tax deductible. The BSDRT is a 501 (C) (3) so donations may be tax deductible.

## **BSDRT's Annual Raffle at the 2013 BSCA Specialty**

BSDRT's annual raffle is the major fundraising event for the BSDRT. All donations are graciously accepted including gift cards, new or slightly used dog related items, jewelry and/or artwork. Some of the more unique items donated will be selected for BSDRT's silent auction. As in past raffles we are requesting donated items be dropped at the raffle table or items may be mailed by April 30th to:

BSDRT  
c/o Sharon Roundy  
45W421 Penstemon Lane  
Hampshire, IL  
60140

If you choose to drop off items for the BSDRT raffle at the Specialty please be sure to indicate that you are donating for the BSDRT raffle as BSCA will be holding a raffle as well.( See above) The BSCA raffle proceeds will help to fund the specialty while the BSDRT raffle proceeds help to fund rescue. Also, please include a card with your name on it so that we know who has donated an item.

See you there!

## **PrePaid Catalogs - Marked Catalogs**

This year you may pre-pay for a catalog to be picked up at the Specialty. Marked catalogs may be ordered using the Reservation/Prepay Form located in this booklet.

A preorder form is located on the website.

## Special awards

Through the years individual members have offered Specialized Awards to be offered at each Specialty. There are several available to members- **Celebration of Life, Spirit Award and Performance Award.** The **Liswyn Challenge Trophy** has been retired but will be replaced with a new Challenge Trophy with the same requirements. More information will soon be available on the BSCA link. Please check out the link on the BSCA 2013 website. It lists all awards, requirements and registration procedures. Information is located under Other Events - Awards Banquet – Awards.

## Clothing

We will be taking pre-orders for 2013 Specialty Clothing. Please go to [bsca2013.bsca.info](http://bsca2013.bsca.info) and check out the available clothing for this years specialty. Clothing orders are very difficult to predict and many specialties have ended up with lots of leftover items which are a substantial loss to the club. We will attempt to keep our stock at the Specialty to a minimum so please pre-order.

There will be a limited time frame for pre-orders so we can be sure to have your items shipped to you before the Specialty.

**The cut off for ordering clothing is April 6, 2013. This is a FIRM date. If you require an Extra small, Small size or a XXL or above size you MUST order before this date. Extra small (XS), Small and extra large sizes (XXL and up) will only be available through pre-orders.**

**Limited quantities of clothing will be available but our Embroiderer will have a booth at our site and will take orders for any items and any size requested.**

Embroidered items will be provided by *Stiching by Louise*, a local vendor.

A clothing order form can be found shortly on the 2013 website.

## Seminars

This year we have several seminars planned.

### **Tracking Mini Workshop**

Following the Tracking test there will be a mini workshop offered by Vincent Ramirez, BSCA member and AKC tracking Judge. There will be only 5 working spots offered and unlimited auditing spots. Vincent has provided a Questionnaire (visit Seminars page on BSCA Specialty web site to complete the form online) that

you must return to him if you are interested in filling one of these 5 spots. He will then choose the participants to fill the spots based on the information provided.

An additional \$10 will be charged for those chosen for the Working spot at this Mini Workshop. The Auditing portion of this Mini clinic is open to non-Belgian Sheepdog owners.

The questionnaire is available on the BSCA Specialty web site under Seminars. It will be available for online completion and will be automatically e-mailed to Vincent Ramirez. It must be received by the event closing date of April 10.

*From Vincent Ramirez –*

*Mini Tracking Workshop*

*I want handlers and their canine companions to experience the positive of tracking. Tracking builds trust in the dog, tracking builds the dog's confidence and it gives the handler another opportunity to place their hands on the dog with praise. I am comfortable teaching elder retired obedience dogs and young puppies alike. My first tracking dog and I were just looking for something to do after years of competitive obedience. Belgian Sheepdog Turbo UD TDX was the perfect instructor passing his TDX just 10 months after his TD at 13.5 years of age. I treasure that time spent working scent with Turbo and have with each dog since. My second tracking dog was started young to become a Champion Tracker June 25, 2000. CT Twister and I stepped away from AKC for the next four years training with USAR NETF-1. With Twister at my side we completed the FEMA USAR Canine Search Specialist Course at Camp Murray, WA September 14, 2001. Training with top SAR handlers and their dogs in difficult if not hostile environments, gave me a welcomed perspective of training in drive and teaching with motivation.*

*Next were Belgian Tervurens CH CT CoCo Puff, CH OTCH CT Amy and recently CH CT Danya and CH CT Bragger UD. I am currently working two Tervuren in TD/TDX and one Belgian Sheepdog in VST. To date six TD's, seven TDX's, and five VST's / Champion Trackers. I love these dogs and respect their abilities. These titles are theirs not mine.*

*The TD/TDX method that I use with my dogs is the same that I use for VST. At this mini workshop I look forward to working with fellow Belgian tracking teams problem solving tracking issues. Please note that this is not a full length tracking seminar, just a one afternoon mini workshop.*

*Five teams will be given brief oversight, unlimited auditors. You are encouraged to bring a notebook, pen/pencil, a chair, crate, tracking harness, tracking line, tracking articles,*

*training treats, tracking flags. Prepare for weather. Show up with an open mind, negative energy not allowed.*

*Vincent Ramirez / Bucyrus, KS*

### **Herding**

Our herding judge, James Bergert, will offer a duck handling seminar following the Herding trial on Tuesday.

### **Nosework**

The Packerland Kennel Club Nosework trainers will be conducting a Nosework clinic on Friday. Details are still being worked on for this clinic.

### **Conformation Class**

This is not about how to handle your dog but how to train your dog to be handled. Our own Lisa Goddard has agreed to put on a seminar on her training techniques. We will have participants and auditors.

### **Contract Clinic**

If you're breeding your bitch or dog, selling puppies, leasing or co owning or buying a puppy, you should plan to attend this seminar. Dr. Marty Greer has specialized in canine reproduction for over 25 years. That wasn't enough for her so she decided to go to law school so she can specialize in fighting anti-dog legislations. Dr. Greer will present a seminar on preparing a dog related contract. This clinic will be held Friday evening from 7-9pm.

**HAVE FUN !!**



## Emergency Vet info

Summit Animal Clinic  
1740 Summit Ave  
Oconomowoc, WI 53066  
(262) 567-0307  
**CALL FIRST!!!**

### **Hours:**

Monday: 9-4:30PM - Tuesday: 9-5PM - Wednesday: 9-7PM - Thurs. 9-4:30  
Friday: 9-5PM - Sat. First and third Sat of each month: 9-12PM

### **Directions:** 1.3 miles (4 minutes)

Turn Right onto SR-67 South / E Summit Ave go 1.1 miles. Arrive on RIGHT at 174 (Summit Ave, Oconomowoc, WI 53066.) You will see Summit Animal Clinic on your Right.

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Emergency Veterinary Service  
360 Bluemound Rd  
Waukesha, WI53188  
(262) 542-3241

### **Hours:**

Veterinarians and Technical staff are available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

### **Directions:** 15.4 miles (about 21 minutes)

Turn Right on Hwy 67 for 1.6 miles to Hwy 94. Take ramp towards Milwaukee. Ramp will be on Right. Merge onto Hwy 94 E for 12.2 miles to exit number 294. It will be the first driveway on the LEFT.

