



Please join us for
The Bernese Mountain Dog Club of Northern California's

21st Annual Holiday Party & Winter Membership Meeting

Saturday, December 12, 2015
California National Guard Armory
711 Hillcrest Ave, Benicia CA
11 am - 5 pm

(Doors open at 8:00am for set up & drop Off)

- 11:00 am Arrive, get settled, mingle & munch
Noon Enjoy Potluck Luncheon
12:30 pm Membership Meeting
(see next page for Agenda)
1:30 pm Recognition of our veteran dogs

Bring your holiday dish to share
A-G Main Dish - H-O Appetizer - P-Z Side Dish

We will be having a raffle & auction; proceeds to benefit the club's general fund and Behaf as well as continuing our tradition of collecting dog/cat items or \$\$ for a local animal shelter
(see next page for details)



Winter Quarterly Membership Meeting Agenda

Approve Quarterly Meeting Minutes
Reports of Officers & Committee Chairs
Election of New Members
Unfinished Business
New Business - to include 2016/2017 Officer &
Board of Directors Nominations
Presentation and vote on 2 Bylaw
amendments

Raffle & Auction

Bring an item that we can raffle or auction to raise money for our club and Behaf (50/50 split). Behaf, Bernese Emergency Health Assistance Fund, provides some financial assistance to the owners of purebred Bernese Mountain Dogs throughout the world who are facing extensive and/or unexpected medical expenses for their dog due to catastrophic illness or accidental injury.

The Way & Means Boutique will be open for Holiday Shopping, so bring your Christmas List.

Collection of pet items and dollars will benefit the victims of the Lake County Fire.

Don't forget to bring your e-x pens or crates as dogs must be confined during lunch and the meeting.

Help us set up & clean up

If you are not going to be in the parade please help us set up and decorate tables

Help Set up Ways & Means



This is the signature event of the year! Spectators love our 1st-place award-winning group of Berners. Bring your four-legged friends, with or without carts. It's a fun holiday event!

Where?

1st Street, downtown Benicia. The staging area is at East 2nd & 'D' Street

When?

Saturday, December 12, 2015. Assemble at 9:00 am. Parade begins at 10:00 am.

What to wear?

Christmas attire for you and especially for your K9 friends. Try to wear Santa or holiday hats and as much red and green as possible so we can coordinate as the BMDNC Berner Christmas group.

Berners with/without carts.

Dogs may wear decorated harnesses, bells, hats, scarves, packs, etc. We will have a team leading our group with the Club Christmas Tree. Have your carts filled with wrapped presents, toys, stuffed animals, candy canes, etc. Candy may be passed out but not thrown.

If possible, please call Cynthia Hilton at 510-235-4922 if you will be joining the parade.

The parade organizers would like to know the size of our contingent in advance.



Directions to the Nation Guard Armory - 711 Hillcrest Avenue, Benicia CA

From 680 Freeway

Take 780 Freeway west toward Benicia/Vallejo

From 80 Freeway

Take 780 Freeway east toward Benicia/Martinez

From the 780 Freeway

Take the East 5th Street exit, turn north onto 5th Street at the end of the off-ramp and go under the freeway (if exiting from 780 East). 5th Street ends at Hillcrest Ave.

Turn right onto Hillcrest Ave. The Armory is at the end of the road on the left.

Directions to the Holiday Parade staging are on 2nd and 'D' Street

From 780 Freeway take the 2nd Street exit.

Turn left onto 2nd Street at the end of the off-ramp.

Turn right on Military Street West, then turn left on 1st Street.

Continue on 1st Street or jog over to 2nd Street to park.

The parade runs north up 1st Street, so it's best to park above 'H' Street to return to your car.

Meet at 9:00 am