

Please Join Us For The Bernese Mountain Dog Club of Northern Caslifornia's

17th Annual Holiday Party & Winter Membership Meeting

Saturday, December 10, 2011 California National Guard Armory 711 Hillcrest Ave, Benicia, CA 11 a.m. until 5 p.m. (Doors open at 8:00 am for set up & drop off)

11 am Arrive, Get Settled, Mingle & Munch

12 pm Enjoy Potluck Luncheon

2 pm Membership Meeting (see pg. 2 for Agenda)

Bring your favorite holiday dish to share

A-G Side Dish, H-O Main Dish, P-Z Appetizer

We will be having a raffle & auction (proceeds to benefit the club's general fund) and continuing our tradition of collecting dog/cat items or \$ for The Humane Society of the North Bay (see next bg. for details)



Winter Quarterly Membership Meeting Agenda

Approve Summer & Fall Quarterly Meeting Minutes Reports of Officers & Committee Chairs Election of New Members:

may include Ziv Gigus, Mary Jackson, Leeanne & Pat Patterson Unfinished Business

New Business:

to include 2012 Officer & Board of Directors nominations

Raffle & Auction

Don't forget to bring an awesome item that we will raffle or auction to raise money for our club

The Ways & Means Bonetique will be open for Holiday Shopping, so bring your Christmas List

Humane Society of the North Bay Donations

They are most in need of dog, cat & rabbit food

Toys are always welcomed; see their web site for their wish list www.bvhumane.org. We will set up a jar for\$\$ donations

Don't forget to bring your ex-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, help us set up and decorate the tables

Help Shelia & Dick with Ways & Means

Clean Up will start around 4-4:30



Join Us for the BMDCNC 2011 Benicia Main Street Holiday Parade

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 the fun holiday event!

Where?

1st Street, downtown Benicia. The staging area is at East Second & "D" Streets.

When?

Saturday, December 10, 2011. Assemble at 9:00 a.m. Parade begins at 10:00 a.m.

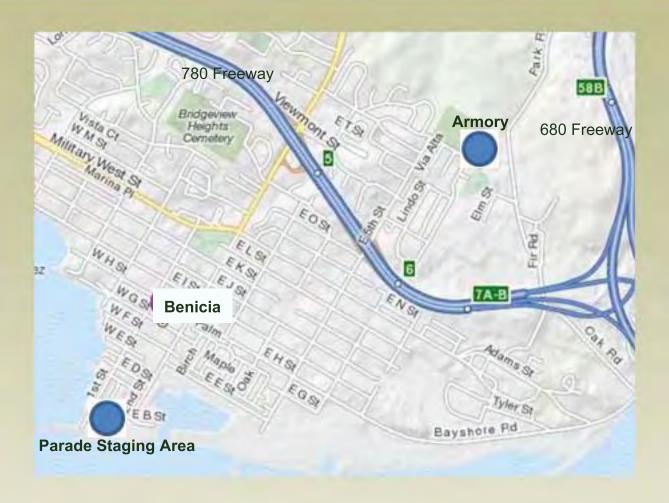
What to wear?

Christmas attire for you and especially for your K9 friends. All wear Santa or holiday hats and as much red and green as possible, so we coordinate as the BMDCNC 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 National Guard Armory, 711 Hillcrest Avenue, Benicia, CA

From the 680 Freeway

Take the 780 freeway west toward Benicia/Vallejo.

From the 80 Freeway

Take the 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 your left.

Directions to the Holiday Parade staging area on 2nd and "D" Streets.

From the 780 freeway take the 2nd St. 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 Steet 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 a.m.**