

## **BERNESE MOUNTAIN DOG CLUB OF ONTARIO**

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### **ELECTION OF 2009 EXECUTIVE**

#### **Biography of Beverley Pillman (Nominee for Director at Large)**

I would like to represent the Bernese Mountain Dog Club of Ontario as one of your Directors-at-Large.

My first experience with Berners came in 1999 when my parents bought me my first boy. From that day forward my love and passion for the breed has exponentially grown. I became a member of the Club at this time and found that fellow members and committees were very receptive.

In 2007 I was grateful to get my baby girl, Milla. Since the new addition I have been more involved with the Club. During the past year Milla and I have kept busy helping with the Winter Walk, participating at the All About Pets Show and assisting when needed at the Fun Day. I was on the Specialty 2008 committee; I carted Milla in the Port Perry Parade and attended general meetings. I have also taken part in carting seminars (with my first Berner) and last year took a 6-week carting session.

This year I am trying to get more involved with the Club, so I became a member of the Events and Education committee and have also helped at the Winter Walk. I am interested in conformation shows, presently showing Milla and periodically, my parents' Berner. Draft Dog status and Therapy Dogs are of keen interest to me. I will be breeding Milla this fall under the guidance of Bob and Irene Hume. I enjoy talking and listening to people who are interested in and who love the breed. I believe it is important to educate people on what the breed is all about and whom better to do so, than someone who lives for her Berner.

One might be concerned about my lack of involvement as a committee member, but I would like to assure the general membership that I have always been involved in sports and this has allowed me to currently sit on the Kids of Steel committee for organizing the triathlon in Peterborough. My passion, personality and energy will allow me to bring some fresh ideas to the Club but will also allow me to be respectful to the ones that are already in place that work so well. The Club's well being is very important to me and I want to see the Club continue to be well represented.

If people are having troubles placing me.....I am the 50/50 ticket girl at most events!