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I have owned, trained, bred and loved Bernese Mountain Dogs, and been active in the BMDCA since 1978. Under the kennel name of "Dallybeck", while I have bred only 24 litters, I'm very proud of having produced some of the top dogs in the United States and Canada. At National Specialties, my own dogs, Dallybeck-produced dogs, and offspring of Dallybeck dogs, have won such coveted awards as High In Trial, Best of Opposite Sex, Winners Dog, Best of Winners, Award of Merit, first in Stud Dog, first in Brood Bitch, both Best and Best of Opposite in Veteran Sweeps with son and dam, and many class placements in obedience

disciplines, and conformation, regular and non-regular, puppy through veteran classes; some of these awards won several times over. One of my proudest accomplishments has been the number of Dallybeck dogs who have achieved Versatility Awards over the years.

My active interests in the breed focus on the total dog: structure, soundness, type, temperament, working ability and longevity. Through the years, I've taken time to study extensively in structure and movement, and have exercised opportunities to talk to recognized experts in these areas and those in the fields of canine behavior and temperament. When I started in dogs, my initial interests were in competitive obedience where, with my once-in-a-lifetime foundation bitch, we achieved a ranking of #1 in the US for Bernese at both the novice and open levels over a two-year period. Gita became the first recipient of a Dog World Award for Bernese in obedience, and also went on to a Tracking Degree just for fun. Believing in the "total dog", and the "versatile Berner", I did limited specializing in conformation also with Gita, prior to the split of the Working Group into Working and Herding, yet took multiple Group Placements. So in addition to her obedience rankings, Gita became the nationally ranked #1 bitch, #2 overall for Bernese, again over a 2-year period. The 2-year experience was a real education.

Over the years, I have supported the BMDCA in a number of capacities, including Board Member and Obedience Chair. I was a founding member, and for years, a Board Member of the Potomac Valley BMDC. Independently, but coordinated through the BMDCA Board, I was singularly responsible for the initial lowering of the jump heights for the breed, back when this was an issue, through research, multi-breed club coordination, and a point paper generated for the AKC. Currently, I've been very active with Berner-U and regional clubs teaching structure and movement. In conformation, I have judged Puppy and Veteran Sweepstakes classes in Canada, and at the BMDCA National Specialty in Colorado. Additionally, I routinely help with the judges' education program at our National Specialties. Hopefully, once I get to retirement, I'd like to pursue an AKC judge's license for Bernese. Outside of dogs, I've been married to my husband Andy for 31 years, and have a 21-year old son Mike. Professionally, I received my BS in Computer Science with honors from the University of Delaware in 1973. I am employed as a senior manager by the MITRE Corporation in McLean, VA, a large Federally-funded research and development organization, where I have responsibility for an annual revenue of roughly \$15M in hi-tech command, control, communications and intelligence programs. All my non-working time is spent with Andy and the 4-legged "kids" at our 12-acre home in the beautiful Virginia countryside.