In addition to the booth at Pet Expo, BCRMN dogs rocked the dock! Several BCRMN alumni competed in the Ultimate Air Dog’s dock diving competition over the course of the weekend!

Jump distances are measured from the front edge of the dock, to where the base of the dog’s tail enters the water. Competitors have the chance to jump their dogs and try for coveted spots in the finals! Some dogs were also working to complete titles. HUGE Congrats to Melissa LaMere-Dragovich and "Reckon" for finishing their UKC Dock Diving: Senior Championship!! Reckon’s best jump of the weekend was 18’3”. Also competing were Wayne and Miranda McClaine with "Splash," who set a new personal best of 16’8”, Paul Dragovich and "Tag," who tied their personal best at 18’1”, and Jess Kitteredge with "Dex." Great job, guys!
Brooklyn: A Chance Encounter

It was during a routine visit to Petco in Minnetonka to pick up pet supplies that we met Brooke, a four year old Border Collie rescue who had been picked up as a stray in Brookings, South Dakota about four months before. We struck up a conversation with the BCRMN volunteers at Petco and met Brooke, whose shy demeanor and beautiful two-colored eyes caught our attention. We had no intention of adopting another dog at the time (we already had a three year-old Golden Retriever and a guinea pig), but we found ourselves talking about Brooke on the way home. We returned to Petco as the dogs were being loaded up for the night and spent a little more time talking to Brooke’s foster mom, Joy Foster, who encouraged us to take a closer look at Brooke.

That same weekend we invited Joy and Brooke over to meet the pack (our family and all of the neighbor dogs). Brooke really enjoyed being around the other dogs, although her extreme apprehension and shyness around people suggested a history of abuse. She had a broken front leg, which had healed without being set correctly. It gave us some concern, but after some strong encouragement from Joy, we made the leap and took Brooke in as part of our family. We changed her name to “Brooklyn” from the song “I and Love and You”, which relays a message about beginning a new life after “jumping the tracks never to return”. We had an orthopedist examine Brooklyn’s leg, and it was determined that the break occurred in the growth plate when she was a puppy. As a result, she has a significant limp due to a length discrepancy, but she is as fast as a bullet when she runs. The orthopedist had the impression that Brooklyn doesn’t really rely on the leg, so there were no recommendations for further treatment. We will continue to have it checked as she ages to properly address any issues that might develop with it.

Since fall of 2010, Brooklyn and our Golden Retriever, Dasher, have become best buddies. She also has another Golden Retriever buddy, Shiloh (Dasher’s nephew), who spends a lot of time with us. They play very well together. Despite her smaller size, Brooklyn has learned to use her smartness and quickness to outwit Dasher and Shiloh in their play. They share our large backyard, which connects to the backyards of three neighbor dogs. We leave the gates open, so all six dogs can share three acres of backyard play area together.

Brooklyn loves our two boys, Drake and Jack. She loves to sit under their feet when they are doing homework or working on the computer. She has a favorite chair in the living room near the window where she sits when we are not home, and she sleeps in our bed at night. We get the impression that that is where she feels the most secure. She is still a little leery of strangers, but she is definitely coming out of her shell. It has been a joy to watch her gain confidence and see her tail high in the air, wagging all of the time when she is around us. That is something we did not see for several months after adopting her. She becomes more secure and confident with each passing day, and we think her buddies, Dasher and Shiloh, are showing her the path to true dog happiness.

Our intent was simply to give Brooklyn a good home, but it has been very rewarding to watch Brooklyn’s personality develop over the past year and to have her as part of our family. It’s amazing how these dogs come into our lives and fill our hearts by simply being themselves.

My family and I appreciate the work that the BCRMN volunteers do by rescuing these dogs and finding them homes. Brooklyn is very happy and content in her true dog happiness.

PRIDE Festival

BCRMN will be participating at the PRIDE Festival this year. PRIDE is an event where people of different cultures and lifestyles come together and celebrate. BCRMN will have a booth where we will sell clothing, Frisbees, tugs and other items. We will also have numerous dogs available for adoption. We will need volunteers to help in the booth for the day. The date is June 23 from 9:30am (set up) to around 7pm. If you are interested in helping with PRIDE or would like to be on the e-mail list for other BCRMN activities please e-mail Kim at kcnygard7@gmail.com.

Article By:
The Kapler Family
Jeff, Teresa, Drake and Jack
Adopted Dogs

McElroy Family and “Dutchess”
Hoff Family and “Otis”
Colwell Family and “Teagan” and “Mauer”
Deger Family and “Joe”
Wivinus Family and “Monte”
Schrupp Family and “Dave” (Larado)
Kunau Family and “Holly”
Bachman Family and “Izzy”
Meinhardt Family and “Dolly”
Perkins Family and “Oz”
Minn. Airport and “Skype”
Vorderbruggen Family and “Bullseye”
MacDonald Family and “Annie”
Stattine Family and “Charlie”
McClaine Family and “Splash”
Rowell Family and “Scotch”
Sage Family and “Chance”
Alexander Family and “Seek”
Hirsch Family and “Buster”
Rolfsrud Family and “Maverick”
Broll Family and “Tex”
Sa Family and “Freckles”
Kuefler Family and “Tippy”
Russell Family and “Sam”
Wadsworth Family and “Hannah”
Hurst Family and “Sasha” (Raj)
Behlke Family and “Merry”
Kuhn Family and “Lacey”
Klapmeier Family and “Gizmo”
McGuire Family and Evie
Mayenschein Family and “Meg”
Curtis Family and “Sadie”
Bodovintz Family and “Frank”
Gerrits Family and “Chase” and “Belle”
Eves Family and “Tipper”
Haugen Family and “Delay”
Philips Family and “Shadow”
Miernicki Family and “Domino”
Warner Family and “Trix”
Hagberg Family and “Missy”
Hanson Family and “CoCo Puff”
Banks Family and “Jewel”
Johnson Family and “Cap’n”

Adoptable Dog Highlight

BUZZ!

Meet Buzz! Buzz is a wonderful 8 months old Australian Cattle Dog/Lab cross. He came from a shelter with his mom and 3 siblings. One of his brothers and his sister have found homes and it’s his turn. He is of medium energy boy. Buzz is very smart and is a fast learner. He knows some commands already such as come, sit, down and roll over. Buzz loves to swim and play in the water. He enjoys playing with toys and usually has a toy in his mouth. He has a hard time deciding which toy to play with and bounces from one toy to another. Buzz is also very food motivated and if you have treats you’re his new best friend.

Buzz can be a little shy at first but he does warm up to people pretty quick. After a few days he is your constant shadow. Buzz has been doing great on house training and crate training. He loves to play with other dogs. He does try to play with cats and if they bat at him he will leave them alone. Buzz is around 30 pounds, which makes him a great travel buddy. He loves to ride in the car and go places. He would make a great walking or running partner. At night when you’re ready to settle down, he is more than happy to lie next to you and cuddle up.

“He is more than happy to lie next to you and cuddle up.”

Article
By: Kim Nygard
Pet Expo Review

“3 dogs were able to find forever homes and we raised $1600 for BCRMN.”

St. Cloud Pet Expo

BCRMN will be participating in the 2nd Annual St. Cloud Pet Expo held at the St. Cloud Armory. We will need volunteers in two shifts on May 12th from 9:30am-noon and from noon to 4:30pm. The event is from 10am-4pm with many different rescues participating. Email Kristin at kristinross44@hotmail.com for more information and to sign up for a shift. We will need 2 volunteers per shift.

Right: Josie and Bindi at the Pet Expo last year.

Agility Classes

We are going to be offering agility classes again (by popular demand LOL). All classes will be held at Water’s Edge Dog Center in Buffalo http://www.watersedgedogcenter.com in an outdoor, fully fenced ring, w/AKC regulation equipment. All classes will be on Sunday afternoons and will run for 5 weeks, May 6-June 10, 2012 (no class May 27). All dogs should be 1+ year old. Obedience is not a pre-req but is highly encouraged. Handlers do need control of their dogs. Dogs must wear a buckle, martingale, or training collar. No head collars allowed. Also, dogs must have a 4-6’ leash (no flexis, chain leashes, etc). Handlers will need to bring treats or a small (quiet) toy for reward.

Intermediate Agility

Time: 5-6pm

More Info: For dogs who have completed advanced beginner agility; we will continue to improve obstacle performance, and will also focus on basic sequencing and start to focus on handling as well

Beginning/Advanced Beginning Agility:

Time: 6:15-7:15pm

More Info: For dogs/handlers who are new to agility and teams who have completed one session of beginning agility. Teams will learn how to safely navigate the obstacles and start basic handling techniques.

For both classes, the minimum number of dogs is 5 and the max is 12. These classes tend to be a big hit! Cost is $50 for the 5 weeks. If you want to register, please email Melissa at cdx@hotmail.com
Border Collie Rescue of Minnesota is a volunteer, non-profit organization which accepts pedigreed, non-verified, and mixed Border Collies from owners, shelters, and other rescue organizations.

Quarterly Statement:

**January-April 2012**

**Dogs Received:** 41

**Dogs Adopted:** 50

**Returned:** 1

**Euthanized/Died:** 0

**Transferred to another Rescue:** 2

Newsletter By: Kristin Ross and Melissa LaMere

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**How to Save a Life: Dog CPR**

CPR stands for Cardio-Pulmonary Resuscitation and can be an essential tool when owning a dog. The purpose of CPR is to keep the blood flowing throughout the body and oxygen coming to the lungs in order to keep the dog alive. This article will outline the proper way to give your or a friend’s dog CPR.

**Step One:** If your dog is not breathing, use your finger to clear all possible obstructions from their mouth. This may include objects or even mucus. Tilt the head back to allow best airflow into the airway.

**Step Two:** Close the mouth and hold it shut with one hand, while using your mouth to form a tight seal over the dog’s mouth and nose. As you blow into the nose, watch to see if the chest expands. If the chest does not expand, start over with step one. If the chest does expand, give 4 rescue breathes right away and release the mouth so the dog can breathe.

**Step Three:** Repeat step two every 5 seconds until the dog can breathe on its own, or you have reached professional help.

If you cannot find a heartbeat, artificial respiration is also needed

**Step One:** Lay your dog on its right side and place the heel of your hand just behind the elbow on the ribcage. Place your other hand on top of the first hand.

**Step Two:** (ALWAYS try not to damage the ribcage while performing this step) Apply force in smooth motions using both hands. The distance you push down will depend on the size of your dog, but 3 inches should be enough. Compress the chest for no more than ½ second at a time.

Gage the inches of compression and force by the size of the dog.

**Step Three:** Repeat 10-15 times. If your dog is not breathing, perform CPR as described in the above section.

If both CPR and respiration are needed, alternate between 10-15 compressions and 1 breath.

** ALWAYS get your dog to the vet as fast as possible!**

To see these steps, here is a good video to watch.

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VJGlsYHI9cU

Article by: Kristin Ross  
Source: http://www.pgaa.com/canine/health/dogcpr.html

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**IN MEMORY**

In Memory of "Tucker" owned and loved by Molly Nagel  
While your time on Earth was short, you were loved deeply and marched to the beat of your own drummer. Run free, Tucker.
IN MEMORY

Janis Lindskoog, April 1, 1948 - February 29, 2012

A 40 year senior stewardess for Northwest Airlines. Janny, Spent her life rescuing and adopting stray cats, dogs, horses, chickens, goats and sheep. Her favorite companion was Pandy, her border collie, who went with her everywhere. Her nephew, Chris Williams, adopted Maggie, from BCR, and they are about to start agility trials this spring. Janny will be watching from the clouds.
Second Annual Twin Cities NKWFTA
NO-KILL WALK FOR THE ANIMALS
2012

For questions or to volunteer email Kim at kcnygard7@gmail.com or Kristin at kristinross44@hotmail.com

Location:
	Spooner Park
351 Eli Road
Little Canada, MN 55117

Parking:
Lots are available off of Eli Road by both the upper picnic shelter and the lower shelter.

Times: (Rain or Shine)
9 a.m. Registration
(Upper Picnic Shelter)
10 a.m. Walk Begins
Bring your friendly pets, leashes, and plastic bags for clean up.

Join in a fun Walk and help raise awareness and donations for no-kill animal rescue groups and shelters!

THIS YEAR'S GOAL IS TO RAISE: $30,000
**No-Kill Walk for the Animals**  
Saturday, May 5th, 2012  
SPOONER PARK 351 Eli Road, Little Canada, MN 55117  
www.facebook.com/nokillwalkfortheanimals

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I acknowledge that I am physically able to undertake the No-Kill Walk for the Animals (NKWFTA), that I will be responsible for my pet and its’ actions at all times, and I waive any claims that may arise out of the NKWFTA which may be asserted against any parties in connection with the Walk.

**Sign Below**  *(If you are under 18, a guardian must sign.)*

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