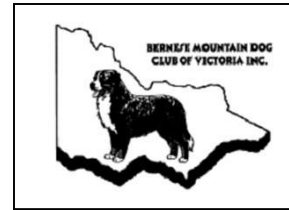


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DNA testing for Von Willebrand's Disease

The Bernese Mountain Dog of Victoria has entered into an agreement with Genetic Technologies (GTG) to offer a discounted DNA test for Von Willebrand's Disease, at \$95 with a free DNA Profile for our Show on the 8th June 2008

They will test this cluster of Bernese Mountain Dogs to aid in assessing the incidence of Von Willebrand's Disease in the breed. This will assist the Club to develop guidelines for a breeding program that can be endorsed by the relevant canine body (Victorian Canine Association) and that is compliant with the Victorian Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act 1986 and the Code Practice for the Responsible Breeding of Animals with Heritable Disease.

For this purpose the club needs to know the total numbers of results from the testing but not the specific results for each dog tested. However in the future the Breeding program may require a Disease Status Register, which the members will have to approve as part of that breeding program before its submitted to the VCA for approval.

For each Bernese Mountain Dog that is tested you will receive from GTG a Disease status report/certificate and if the animal is microchipped the certificate will be endorsed/certified. You can use this report as the basis of your own future breeding program.

There will be no requirement to release these results to any other person or body including the Bernese Mountain Dog Club of Victoria.

In return for this testing we ask you to consent, by signing below, that you agree to GTG to release aggregated results from the June 8th Show to the Bernese Mountain Dog of Victoria. The results will consist of the number of Bernese tested and the number that are classified as either clear, carrier or affected.

I Being the owner of

Name of dog

Microchip number (if available)

Consent to GTG releasing the results of DNA testing for Von Willebrand's Disease to the Bernese Mountain Dog Club as part of the number tested and the number of either clear, carrier or affected. No results will be released to the club that will identify individual Bernese tested.

Signed Date/...../.....