

“HAPPY TRAILS” Draft Test Premium List

Bernese Mountain Dog Club of America Draft Test

Hosted by the
Buckeye Bernese Mountain Dog Club



September 12th and 13th 2015
Owl Creek Bernese
4858 Owl Creek Road
Frankfort, OH 45628

Judges: Steve Likevich and Sherrie Start

Entries close at the Test Secretary's address on Wednesday, September 1, 2015 at 5:00 p.m. EST. Please make checks payable to BBMDC and mail fee with entry form to the Test Secretary.

Mary Coon, Draft Test Secretary
P.O. Box 18430
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www.buckeyebmdc.org

This test is open to all breeds

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First Class

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### **Committee Members:**

Chief Draft Steward: Mike Dabbert  
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This is an "All Eligible Dogs" draft test.

## Food / Menu

\*\*\* Please cut out and return with entry form \*\*\*

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**\*\* FREE BREAKFAST SATURDAY AND SUNDAY MORNING \*\***  
(Coffee Cake, Muffins, Muffin Omelets, Fruit, Coffee, and Juice)

SATURDAY LUNCH: Lasagna, Salad, Bread, and Dessert  
Coffee, Pop or Milk  
Cost is \$8.00 per person

SUNDAY LUNCH: Italian Wedding Soup, Ham and Turkey Sliders,  
Fruit Salad, and Brownie Ice Cream Sunday  
Coffee, Pop or Milk  
Cost is \$8.00 per person

Lunch Saturday: Number of people: \_\_\_\_\_ Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Lunch Sunday: Number of people: \_\_\_\_\_ Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

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## Weather

Please dress appropriately for the weather as it can vary from sun to rain and from warm to cold. Average temperatures in Chillicothe, Ohio in September are in the 60s to 70s range. Bring rain gear, sunscreen, and layers in the event of a chilly morning. The weather in Ohio is notoriously unpredictable.

## We Welcome Spectators

Un-entered dogs may be present but must be leashed or crated and under control at all times. **Please remember to pick up after your dog(s).**

## Bernese Mountain Dog Club of America Draft Test Purpose

The Bernese Mountain Dog Club of America Draft Tests are a series of exercises designed to develop and demonstrate the natural abilities of purebred Bernese Mountain Dogs in a working capacity involving hauling. The Bernese Mountain Dog has historically functioned as a draft dog in various capacities and performance of these exercises is intended to demonstrate skills resulting from both inherent ability and training which are applicable to realistic work situations. Efficiency in accomplishment of tasks is essential. It is also desirable that the dog evidence willingness and enjoyment of his work in a combination of controlled teamwork with his handler and natural independence.

## BMDCA Approved Judges

Steve Likevich  
8740 Boston Road  
North Royalton, OH 44133  
(440) 237-9572

Sherrie Start  
2612 N. Summerton  
Mt. Pleasant, MI 48858  
(989) 433-2123

## Schedule

Check-in time will be determined at close of entries. Equipment check will follow check-in. Entrants walk-thru and briefing to follow. Judging begins as soon as possible after walk-thru and briefing. Awards will be presented at the conclusion of the test. Lunch time will be at the Judges' discretion.

## Class Entry Details

- Entry fees: \$25 for each single dog team; \$30 for a brace team
- A separate entry form must be filled out for each dog of a brace team and then stapled together. Even though two entry forms are required for each brace team, each brace team will be counted as one entry in the Draft Test.
- If more than 24 entries are received, they will be prioritized per the following order:
  1. Untitled Bernese Mountain Dogs
  2. Titled Bernese Mountain Dogs
  3. Untitled other breeds
  4. Titled other breeds (*Note that "titled" means titled in the entered class*).
- A random draw will be held for each group in the list including and following the one that causes a total entry in excess of the Test limit.
- Entrants must notify the Draft Test Secretary if a dog has earned a title in the entered class, including if the title is earned after the entry has been submitted.

## Awards

Each passing team will receive a ribbon and special trophy. Each participant will receive a ring favor.

## Close of Entries

Entries close at 5:00 p.m. EST Wednesday, September 1, 2015 at the Draft Test Secretary's address. Late entries cannot be accepted, canceled, or altered, except as specifically allowed in the current BMDCA Draft Test regulations.

## Regulations

Entrants are responsible for obtaining the BMDCA Draft Test Regulations (revised as of July 2011) and being familiar with them. Draft Test Regulations may be downloaded from <http://www.bmdca.org/Draft/index.php>.

## Attention Exhibitors

- The following classes will be offered: Novice, Open, Brace Novice, and Brace Open.
- Handlers must provide their own rigs, harnesses, and tie downs or other means of securing a load on their particular draft rig.
- Handlers must bring their own weight. Weight will be verified via scale at the test site.
- Entered dogs must be 24 months old or older on the day of the Draft Test.
- Open and Open Brace entries must include a veterinary certificate stating the dog's name and weight. This certificate must be dated within 60 days of the date of the test, September 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> 2015.
- Bitches in season are not permitted to compete.
- The two dogs of a brace team need not be owned by the same person or by the handler.
- Un-entered dogs may be present but, like entered dogs not in the ring, must be leashed or crated and under control at all times.

## Veterinarian

On-call veterinary service:  
Dr. Kathy Bates, DVM  
North Fork Animal Hospital  
2260 Anderson Station Road  
Chillicothe, OH  
(740) 851-0094

24-hour Emergency Vet: The closest emergency veterinary clinic is MedVet in Columbus, Ohio. 60 miles from test site.

MedVet Columbus  
300 E. Wilson Bridge Road  
Worthington, OH 43085  
(614) 846-5800  
<http://www.medvet-cves.com/>

## Test Site

Owl Creek Bernese  
4858 Owl Creek Rd  
Frankfort, OH 45628

The test will be held on the property of Positively Gone To the Dogs / Owl Creek Bernese, owned by Michael and Patty Dabbert. There will be access to buildings with restrooms. RV access is not available at the test-site. No fee for parking. Because the test site is private property, crates and belongings may be left at the site overnight. You may drop off carts and crates Friday, September 11, 2015 from 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm. Please pick up after yourself and your dog(s).

## Directions to test site

Major Highways to Draft Site: US Route 23 or Route 35 - to reach Route 50.

From US Route 50 east-bound: Turn left at Maple Grove Road. Next stop sign turn left onto Owl Creek Rd. Travel .4 miles to 4858 Owl Creek Rd. Turn left down the private blacktop drive (Wagging Tails Lane).

From US Route 50 west-bound: Turn right onto Owl Creek Rd. Travel .9 miles to 4858 Owl Creek Rd. Turn Left down the private blacktop drive (Wagging Tails Lane).

## Photography

Natalie Bartizek will be taking photographs upon request. There will be a sign-up sheet to fill out on the day of the test.

\*\*\*Photographs will be taken of all passing teams\*\*\*



## Accommodations

Buckeye Bernese Mountain Dog Club has reserved a block of rooms at Christopher Inn with a group rate of \$89.00 per night with a waived pet fee. Reservations must be made by August 11, 2015 to guarantee group rate. Check-in is 3:00 pm. Check-out is at noon. 10 miles / 20 minutes from Test Site.

Christopher Inn  
30 N. Plaza Blvd  
Chillicothe, OH 45601  
740-774-6835

## RV / Campgrounds

Two RV sites are located within 20 minutes of the draft test site. Located 6 miles west of Chillicothe, Take US 35 west, 4 miles from SR104 junction. Exit onto CR 550, go 2 miles west and it is on the right.

Sun Valley Campground  
10105 CR550  
Chillicothe OH 45601  
740-775-3490  
Pet friendly  
Property is very well maintained and clean

Paint Creek State Park  
280 Taylor Rd  
Bainbridge, OH 45612  
Pet friendly, only 2 dogs per site  
Reservations: 866-644-6727

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Entries close at Test Secretary's address at 5:00 PM on September 1, 2015, after which time entries cannot be accepted, canceled, or altered, except as specifically allowed in the current BMDCA Draft Test Regulations. For Brace team entries, a form must be completed for each dog and stapled together.

**Mail Entries & Fees to:           Mary Coon  
                                                  P.O. Box 18430  
                                                  Fairfield, Ohio 45018**

**Use one form per dog per class entered. Please type or print clearly.  
Include both entry form pages in your submission. Make checks payable to  
BBMDC. Questions? Call Mary Coon at (513) 829-6642.**

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|------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Breed</b>                                                     |                                                                                                                                         | <b>Sex</b>                                                                                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Male<br><input type="checkbox"/> Female |
| <b>Class</b>                                                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Novice <input type="checkbox"/> Brace Novice <input type="checkbox"/> Open <input type="checkbox"/> Brace Open |                                                                                                |                                                                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dog is titled in entered class          |                                                                                                                                         | <input type="checkbox"/> Open Weight Certificate Enclosed                                      |                                                                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Test #1 (Saturday 9/12/15)              |                                                                                                                                         | <input type="checkbox"/> Test #2 (Sunday 9/13/15)                                              |                                                                  |
| <b>Registered Name</b><br><small>(please include titles)</small> |                                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                |                                                                  |
| <b>Call Name</b>                                                 |                                                                                                                                         | <b>Berner-Garde #</b><br><small>(BMDs only)</small>                                            |                                                                  |
| <b>Date of Birth</b>                                             |                                                                                                                                         | <b>DNA Profile #</b><br><small>(Nationals only)</small>                                        |                                                                  |
| <b>Registration #</b>                                            |                                                                                                                                         | <input type="checkbox"/> American Kennel Club<br><input type="checkbox"/> Canadian Kennel Club |                                                                  |
| <b>Sire</b>                                                      |                                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                |                                                                  |
| <b>Dam</b>                                                       |                                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                |                                                                  |
| <b>Actual Owner(s)</b>                                           |                                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                |                                                                  |
| <b>Owners Address</b>                                            |                                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                |                                                                  |
| <b>City</b>                                                      |                                                                                                                                         | <b>State</b>                                                                                   | <b>Zip</b>                                                       |
| <b>Telephone</b>                                                 |                                                                                                                                         | <b>E-mail</b>                                                                                  |                                                                  |
| <b>Handler/Agent</b>                                             |                                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                |                                                                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$8 Saturday lunch: # _____             |                                                                                                                                         | <b>Total Amount Enclosed: \$</b> _____                                                         |                                                                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$8 Sunday lunch: # _____               |                                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                |                                                                  |

Submitting this form constitutes your agreement to the terms of the Entry Agreement

## ENTRY AGREEMENT

I understand that the club holding this event has the right to refuse this entry. I agree that I am solely responsible for the actions of myself and the dog ("the dog") that accompanies me in relationship to this entry.

In consideration of the acceptance of my entry and the opportunity to participate in this event, I agree to **HOLD HARMLESS and INDEMNIFY** the following listed parties from any claim for loss, damage or injury alleged to have been caused directly or indirectly by my actions or by the actions of the dog in relationship to this event: the Bernese Mountain Dog Club of America (BMDCA) and the Buckeye Bernese Mountain Dog Club, their members, officers, and agents; the owner and/or leaser of the premises; any provider of services at this event; any employees or volunteers of the parties listed here, and any BMDCA Draft Judge judging at this event. I personally assume **all responsibility and liability** for any such claim. I agree to be responsible for any loss and expense (including legal fees) incurred by any of the listed parties based on claims related in any way to my participation or the actions of the dog in relationship to this event, whether the claims are made by third parties or by myself.

Additionally, I agree to assume the sole responsibility for any loss, damage, or injury (including death) to myself or to the dog in relationship to this event. I agree to **RELEASE, INDEMNIFY and promise not to sue** the parties listed above for any such loss, damage or injury to myself or the dog, regardless of the cause, and whether or not the loss, damage or injury may have been caused by the negligence of the listed parties.

**I AGREE THAT ANY CAUSE OF ACTION, CONTROVERSY OR CLAIM ARISING OUT OF OR RELATED TO THE ENTRY, EXHIBITION OR ATTENDANCE AT THE EVENT SHALL BE SETTLED BY ARBITRATION PURSUANT TO THE APPLICABLE RULES OF THE AMERICAN ARBITRATION ASSOCIATION. HOWEVER, PRIOR TO ARBITRATION ALL APPLICABLE BMDCA BYLAWS, RULES, REGULATIONS AND PROCEDURES MUST FIRST BE FOLLOWED AS SET FORTH IN THE BMDCA CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS, RULES, REGULATIONS, PUBLISHED POLICIES AND GUIDELINES.**

In consideration of the acceptance of this entry, I agree to abide by rules and regulations of the Bernese Mountain Dog Club of America (BMDCA) in effect at the time of this BMDCA Draft Test and by any additional rules appearing in the premium list for this event. I certify and represent that the dog entered is not a hazard to persons or other dogs. **I also certify that all the information I provide with this entry is true and correct.** This entry is submitted for acceptance on the foregoing representation and Agreement. I agree to conduct myself in accordance with all such Rules and Regulations (including all provisions applying to discipline) and to abide by any decisions made in accord with them.

**Printed Name of Participant** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

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