

Premium List

Bernese Mountain Dog Club of America Draft Test

Hosted by the

Blue Ridge Bernese Mountain Dog Club



Draft Match Friday, March 4th, 2022

Judged by Wendy Djang (Apprentice Judge) and Jennifer Brightbill

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Saturday March 5th & Sunday, March 6th, 2022

Judges

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Sunday, March 6th, 2022: Mary Dowski & Jennifer Brightbill

Sleeping Dogs Run 2705 Hawkins Rd Hurdle Mills, NC 27541

Entries for all tests close at the Test Secretary's address on Wednesday, February 23, 2022, at 6 p.m. EST. Please make checks payable to the Blue Ridge Bernese Mountain Dog Club (BRBMDC) and mail fee with entry form to the Test Secretary:

Dan Lynn
38 Emperor Court
Stuarts Draft, VA 24477

Tests Open to All Eligible Dogs in accordance with current BMDCA Draft Regulations, Chapter 3, Section 1, Paragraph B.

All Judging Will Be Outdoors.

Blue Ridge Bernese Mountain Dog Club

Officers

President	David Nelson
Vice President	Jill Raymond
Treasurer	John McCune
Secretary	Cole Shanholtz
	5 Gold Leaf Walk Way Black Mountain, NC 28711
Directors	Lisa Hodge Tracey Coleman Dewey Nguyen Valerie Yoffe

Draft Test Committee

- Draft Test Chair:** Saturday - John McCune John@SleepingDogsPottery.com
Sunday- Dorene McCune Dorene@SleepingDogsPottery.com
2705 Hawkins Rd Hurdle Mills, NC 27541 919-623-6963,
- Draft Test Secretary:** Dan Lynn, 38 Emperor Court, Stuarts Draft, VA 24477 drlynn@ntelos.net
- Committee Members:** Tracey Coleman, Tom Coleman, Wendy Djang, Lauren Evans, & Laura Hartsoe

Awards

Qualifying teams will receive a rosette and brace teams will receive two rosettes.

Lunch

Lunches, including a beverage will be available to order at a cost of \$15 each per day. Please mail a separate check made payable to BRBMDC with your entry form(s).

Judges' Dinner

Plans for a Judge's dinner on Saturday will be communicated to participants at a latter date.

Test Site

Sleeping Dogs Run
2705 Hawkins Rd Hurdle Mills, NC 27541
(Located outside of Durham, NC)

Private land – owned by John & Dorene McCune
The test site is composed of mowed fields and woods. The ring and surrounding fields are fenced.
Ample parking is available outside of the fenced area.
Equipment may be staged on-site starting 10:00 am Friday and may be left overnight

Weather

Early March is typically perfect Berner weather with the last four years having highs in the upper 50's and overnight lows in the lower 30's. All events are outdoors, plan accordingly with warm layers and rain gear in the event of rain showers. It is frequently windy. Be prepared to secure all tents with appropriate stakes.

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This is an **All Eligible Dogs** draft test

Draft Match

A Draft Match judged by Wendy Djang (Apprentice Judge) and Jennifer Brightbill will be held Friday, March 4, 2022. Check in will be at 12:00 and the match will start at 1:00pm. A maximum of ten entrants will be accepted. Please pre-register by e-mailing Wendy Djang at wlddjang@yahoo.com. Entries will be accepted on a first come first served basis. Entrants must be present at the start of the match and may pay the \$10 match fee at check in.

Regulations

Entrants are responsible for obtaining the BMDCA Draft Test Regulations and being familiar with them. Regulations may be downloaded from www.BMDCA.org at no charge.

Bernese Mountain Dog Club of America Draft Test Purpose

The Bernese Mountain Dog Club of America Draft Test is 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.

Veterinarian

Veterinarian

Brian Lapham, DVM Southpoint
Animal Hospital 5601 Fayetteville
Road
Durham, NC 27713
(919) 323-7629

Emergency Veterinarian

Triangle Veterinary Referral
Hospital 608 Morreene Rd
Durham, NC 27705
(919) 489-0615
(26 min/ 20.2 miles from site)

Emergency Veterinarian

BluePearl Pet Hospital
7015 NC-751
Durham, NC 27707
(919)-600-6600
(34 min/ 27 miles from site)

Accommodations

**There is a Duke-Carolina basketball game the same weekend as the test,
make your reservations early!**

Limited RV dry camping and tent camping is available.
Contact John McCune for details. (john@sleepingdogspottery.com)

LaQuinta Inn and Suites Durham Chapel Hill: 919-401-9660
4414 Durham Chapel Hill Blvd., Durham, NC 27707 No pet fee, two pet limit, any
size 30 minutes from site

LaQuinta Inn and Suites Durham Research Triangle Park: 919-484-1422
1910 Westpark Dr., Durham, NC 27713
No pet fee, two pet limit, any size
40 minutes from site

Please confirm terms before making reservations

Directions to site

(Most GPS systems used are accurate in finding this address.)

From I-40 W:

Follow I-40 exit 261, to Old Chapel Hill Hillsborough Rd/Old NC 86 in Hillsborough.
Turn right, to follow Old NC 86 continuing on NC-86N/US-70 BUS W. Turn right onto NC-57 N.
Turn left onto Mary Hall Rd.
Turn left onto Little River Church Rd. Turn right onto Hawkins Rd. Destination will be on the left.

From I-40 E:

Follow I-40 E to I-85 Connector N. Take exit 161 from I-40 E/ I 85 N to US-70 E. Sharp left onto NC-86
N Turn right onto NC-57 N.
Turn left onto Mary Hall Rd.
Turn left onto Little River Church Rd. Turn right onto Hawkins Rd. Destination will be on the left.

From I-85 South:

Follow I-85 S exit 170 for US-70 W, toward N Carolina 86 N.
Turn right onto NC-86N.
Turn right onto NC-57 N.
Turn left onto Mary Hall Rd.
Turn left onto Little River Church Rd. Turn right onto Hawkins Rd. Destination will be on the left.

Spectators

Spectators are welcome at the trial! Unentered dogs may be present. All dogs must be leashed or
crated and under control at all times. Please show courtesy to the working dogs by keeping dogs back
from the ring and not fouling or blocking the freight haul area.

All spectators must follow Covid-19 protocols which are in place at the time of the test.

DWC Covid-19 Protocols

- Handlers will need to be available when their equipment is being checked in.
- If weight(s) for the freight haul needs to be weighed, the handler will be responsible for carrying the item(s) to the scale and back to the staging area.
- Judges will not handle any harnesses or any part of the cart other than what is needed to measure the cart.
- For the Recall Exercise the handler will take the leash with them and not hand it to a judge.
- Awards and Scoresheets - Ribbons are to be available for the handlers to get them themselves.
- A COVID-19 Waiver has been provided in this Premium List. The waiver will need to be signed and returned with the entry agreement in order to complete the entry.

Additional Covid-19 Protocol Information

- Masks must be worn in accordance with current state, local and/or facility guidelines. Mask requirements will be sent with confirmations and will be announced during orientation each day.

Tentative Schedule

- We will be utilizing a “self-check-in” process each morning of the test. Please look for your team’s name and park your cart in the designated cart parking area. Your numbers, catalog, and other materials will be in this space.
- **Check in and equipment check times to be determined after the close of entries.** You will be notified via email.
- Course walk-through to follow equipment check.
- Judging to begin as soon as possible after the walkthrough.
- Lunch break at judges’ discretion.
- Awards will be presented at the conclusion of each session

Class Entry Details

- There will be a limit of twenty four (24) entries each day.
- Entry Fees: \$35 for each single-dog team, \$45 for each two-dog brace team
- The following classes are offered: Novice Draft, Open Draft, Novice Brace, Open Brace
- 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 entry limit.
- If more than 24 entries are received for the a test, they will be prioritized per the following order:

- 1) Untitled BMDs
- 2) Titled BMDs
- 3) Untitled other dogs
- 4) Titled other dogs

Note: “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.
- Teams entered in a class in which they have already earned the advanced level title will be drawn after teams without the advanced level title in that class.
- 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.
- A weight certificate form can be found on the last page of this premium

Close of Entries

Entries close at the Draft Test Secretary's address on Wednesday, February 23, 2022 at 6:00 p.m EST, after which time entries cannot be accepted, canceled or altered, except as specifically allowed in the current BMDCA Draft Test regulations.

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The BMDCA and the DWC take dog aggression very seriously and have zero tolerance for inappropriate behavior on the part of dogs/owners and/or handlers. For a copy of the Misconduct Disciplinary Procedure, go to the www.bmdca.org website under the Draft home page.

By participating in or attending this test, you understand and agree to the terms of the Misconduct Disciplinary Procedure. This procedure is a clarification of the Discipline Section of the BMDCA Draft Regulations.

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.
- 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 who are not in the ring, must be leashed or crated and under control at all times.

Waiver of Rights – Animals in Distress

The Blue Ridge Bernese Mountain Dog Club reserves the right to remove any animal in distress from a parked vehicle or crate, and all persons attending these dog events hereby waive any claim for damages against the clubs for such removal. The Club regards the health, safety, and life of any dog on the show grounds to be paramount to other property or privacy rights. We will attempt to reach the responsible party but cannot guarantee contact will be made before action is taken.

Bitches in Season and Medical Withdrawals

Bitches in season are not permitted to compete. A handler may withdraw a dog from a Draft Test for medical reasons. Entry fees shall be refunded upon receipt of a signed veterinary certificate stating the reason for the withdrawal. Refund of entry fees for bitches who come in season after the closing date of the Test may be obtained by: 1) notifying the Test Secretary before the start of the Test, and 2) by sending a veterinarian's certificate to the Test Secretary no later than three days after the last Test.

However, it is requested that the Test Secretary also be notified by telephone or e-mail.

Weight Certificates

The only acceptable weight certificates are:

- a) On the BMDCA Draft Test Weight Certificate Form (with clinic stamp showing **clinic name, address and phone number**) – see last page of premium
- b) On the **Vet Clinic's Letterhead w/name, address, phone number** All weight certificates must contain the following:
 - Dog's name (call name)
 - Owner/handler name
 - Date dog was weighed
 - Name/job title/signature of vet employee witnessing weight
 - Date form was signed

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 Saturday, March 5th, 2022 and Sunday, March 6th, 2022

Entry fee: \$35 per single dog entry/ \$45 per brace team entry

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**Mail Entries & Fees to: Dan Lynn
 38 Emperor Court, Stuarts Draft, VA 24477**

Make checks payable to BRBMDC.

Please type or print clearly. Use one form per dog per class entered.

Breed		Sex	<input type="checkbox"/> Male
			<input type="checkbox"/> Female
Class	<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"/> Saturday, March 5th		<input type="checkbox"/> Sunday, March 6th	
Registered Name (please include titles)			
Call Name		Berner-Garde # (BMDs only)	
Date of Birth		DNA Profile # (Nationals only)	
Registration #		<input type="checkbox"/> American Kennel Club	
		<input type="checkbox"/> Canadian Kennel Club	
Breeder			
Sire			
Dam			
Actual Owner(s)			
Owners Address			
City	State	Zip	
Telephone		E-mail	
Handler/Agent			

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 event-giving 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.

Name of Participant

(please print)

Signature

Date:

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Call Name		Berner-Garde # (BMDs only)	
Date of Birth		DNA Profile # (Nationals only)	
Registration #		<input type="checkbox"/> American Kennel Club <input type="checkbox"/> Canadian Kennel Club	
Breeder			
Sire			
Dam			
Actual Owner(s)			
Owners Address			
City	State	Zip	
Telephone		E-mail	
Handler/Agent			

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Signature

Date:

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Draft Test Catalog

- There will be one Catalog for all drafttests.
- It will include a Sponsor's Page and Advertising. All copy must be received by the Draft Secretary no later than **February 22, 2022** in an electronic publication ready format.
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Sponsor's Page

- If you wish to support the Draft Test in your name, or that of your kennel, or in honor or memory of a special dog or person, we invite your participation.
- Each insertion is \$5.00.
- Please submit your information to the Draft Secretary no later than **February 22, 2022**.

Advertising

- Half-Page advertisements are available for \$10.00
- Full-Page advertisements are available for \$20.00
- If using photos, please send original photos or high-resolution JPG files
- Please submit advertising materials in electronic publication ready format no later than **February 22, 2022** to the Draft Secretary
- Please send the advertising fee by PayPal to BlueRidgeBMDC@gmail.com or make your check payable to BRBMDC and mail the Draft Secretary.



Covid19 Waiver for BMDCA Draft Tests

COVID-19 Acknowledgement of Risk I am signing this Statement in anticipation of attending a BMDCA Draft Test (the event).

I understand that COVID-19 is a highly contagious disease that can spread from person to person and can lead to serious illness or death. I agree that if I have any symptoms associated with Covid-19 or if I believe I have been exposed in the previous 14 days to someone who has Covid-19 I will not attend this event.

If I develop any symptoms within 14 days after the tests, I will notify the Test Secretary and/or Test Chair. If I do attend this event I understand and agree I am voluntarily assuming all the risks associated with Covid-19. I agree to follow all protocols that are in effect for the state and county where the event is being held. I also agree to follow all protocols established by the BMDCA and the sponsoring club, to maintain safe social distancing, and to be responsible for sanitizing and disinfecting my own equipment as appropriate.

I understand and agree that any protocols in place at this event cannot guarantee my health or safety. If I feel at any time that my health or safety has been compromised or if I am unable or unwilling to follow established protocols then I agree that I will leave the event immediately.

Signature

Date

05/28/2021

DRAFT TEST WEIGHT CERTIFICATE

NAME OF VET CLINIC: _____

PHONE NUMBER OF VET CLINIC: _____

OWNER/HANDLER NAME: _____

I verify on _____ *(insert date)* _____ *(insert dog's call name)*

Weighed _____ *(insert weight)*.

Signature of vet employee witnessing weight

Employee Name and Title

Please use vet clinic stamp below (with name, address, and phone of clinic) or have the above information printed/provided on clinic letterhead.

Any corrections made to this certificate will make it invalid

08-15-2018