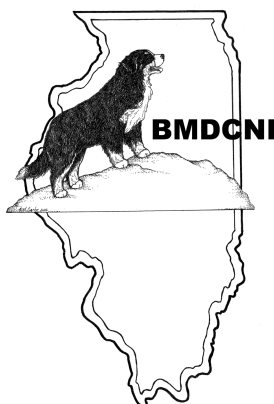


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Premium List

Bernese Mountain Club of America, Draft Test



**Hosted by the
Bernese Mountain Dog Club of Northeastern Illinois**

**May 20 & 21, 2023
Creekwood Meadows Farm
232 Creek Road
Plano, IL 60545-9512
Show site is the grass field off Galena Road**

Judges:

Larry Bohlig 5355 Timberland Dr. P.O. Box 463, Foresthill, CA 95631
Jim Maxwell 3444 Broderick St., San Francisco, CA 94123

This is an ALL-Eligible Dogs Draft Test(s)

****Please Note: GPS will direct you to the Bonds' driveway - not the show site. The show site is around the corner in the grass field off Galena Road.**

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(630) 301-6100

Emergency – VCA Aurora Animal Hospital

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(630) 301-6100

Open 24 hours. Please call, if possible, prior to arriving.

Schedule

To be determined at the close of entries.

Awards

Each passing team will receive a Prairie Dog Pottery draft medallion. Teams earning their Master Draft Dog or Grand Master Draft Dog title will receive a special Prairie Dog Pottery item. Teams earning a new title will receive a New Title Rosette. Also, each participating team will receive a ring favor.

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).

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.

Class Entry Details

- There will be a limit of 24 entries per test.
- Entry fees \$ 35.00 for each single dog team and \$ 45.00 for a brace team
- A separate entry form must be filled out for each dog of a brace team and then submitted 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, they will be prioritized per the following order:
 1. Untitled BMD's
 2. Titled BMD's
 3. Untitled other dogs
 4. Titled other dogs
 - *Note that "titled" means titled in the entered class.*
- 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.
- 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.

Attention Exhibitors

- The following classes will be offered: Novice, Brace Novice, Open 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.
- 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 that are not in the ring, must be leashed or crated and under control at all times.
- Please remember to be responsible dog owners and pick up after your dog(s).

Weight Certificates

- Weight certificate(s): must be dated within 60 days of the date of the test.

The only acceptable weight certificates are:

- On the BMDCA Draft Test Weight Certificate Form (with clinic stamp showing clinic name, address and phone number) <http://www.bmdca.org/Draft/index.php>
- 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

Regulations

Draft Test Regulations: Entrants are responsible for obtaining the BMDCA Draft Test Regulations (revised as of 2011) and being familiar with them. http://www.bmdca.org/Draft/pdf/DraftRegs2011_SideBySide.pdf

Misconduct Disciplinary Procedure: 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. 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. http://bmdca.org/Draft/BMDCA_Draft_Discipline.php

Refreshments & Lunch

The BMDCA will provide coffee, juice, brunch casserole and pastries for Morning Hospitality. Boxed Lunch orders will be taken the morning of each test.

Hotel Information

Candlewood Suites: 2625 W. Sullivan Road Aurora, IL 60506 630-907-9977 off I88 at the Orchard Rd. exit about 20 min. drive

\$72 – one bed, \$78 – 2 bed with kitchenettes

Pet fee will be waived if reservations made directly with Robert, General Manager (312) 623-1327 Mon.-Fri. 7:00-3:00 mention BMDCA Draft Test

AmericInn Lodge & Suites: 1050 Douglas Rd. Oswego, IL 60543 630-554-9090 25 min. drive

Holiday Inn Express & Suites: 222 Gore Rd. Morris, IL 60450 815-941-8700 40 min. drive I80 & Rt. 47
Please ask about pet policy.

Camping

Big Rock Campground: 46W499 Granart Road Big Rock, IL 630-232-1242 10 min. drive 96 improved, vehicle campsites complete with 50-amp electrical, water access, parking pads and fire rings, and 10 tent-only sites without electricity. Hiking trails

Kishauwau Country Cabins: 901 N. 2129th Road, Tonica 61370 815-442-8453 Three dog friendly cabins for rent 65 min. drive Starved Rock area

Location

Creekwood Meadows Farm

232 Creek Road, Plano, IL 60545-9512

Driving Directions

From The East: I88, Reagan Tollway, past Rt. 31, Aurora, to Sugar Grove exit (Rt. 56-30-47). The exit ramp becomes the road, continue west to the second stoplight - Dugan Road. Turn left onto Dugan and then bear right through the round-about onto Granart Road. Continue about five minutes to second stop sign. Turn right onto Galena Road. Show site will be on the left just past the creek.

From The North: Take I-294 to Reagan Tollway (I-88), the follow above directions.

From The South: I-55 to Rt. 126 through Plainfield to Rt. 47 (approx. 20 min.). Rt 126 dead-ends at Rt 47. Turn right going North to Galena Rd turn left and follow directions above.

From The Northwest: I-39 to I-88 east to Dekalb exit (Anne Glidden Rd). Turn right at first stop sign after tollbooth. Go to second stop sign, turn right on Rt 23. Continue south on Rt 23 past Rt 30 to Chicago Rd (marked by sign, but no stop sign). Turn left heading east for about 15 minutes to Creek Rd, turn right then a quick left at 232 Creek Road. OR take I-88 east to Rt 47 exit then south on Rt 47 through Sugar Grove and follow directions from EAST.

From The Southwest: Take I-39 to Rt 30 then turn right on Rt 23 to Chicago Rd. Turn left heading east. Chicago Rd becomes Galena Rd and follow above directions. Takes about 30 minutes from I-39.

Entry fees:

\$ 35.00 per team

\$ 45.00 per brace team

Close of Entries

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•Entrants will receive confirmation of entry via e-mail.

Mail Completed Entries (2 pages) & Fees to:

Sharon Blaszak
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St. John, IN 46373

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

Breed		Sex		Male
				Female
Class	Novice	Brace Novice	Open	Brace Open
Dog is titled in entered class		Open Weight Certificate Enclosed		
Test 100 Saturday, May 20, 2023		Test 200 Sunday, May 21, 2023		
Registered Name (please include titles)				
Call Name		Berner-Garde # (BMDs only)		
Date of Birth		Potential advanced awards to be earned. Circle potential award. MDD GMDD		
Registration #		American Kennel Club Canadian Kennel Club		
Breeder				
Sire				
Dam				
Actual Owner(s)				
Owners Address				
City		State	Zip	
Telephone		E-mail		

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

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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: _____

**Submitting this form constitutes your
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**BERNESE MOUNTAIN DOG CLUB OF AMERICA
DRAFT TEST WEIGHT CERTIFICATE**

NAME OF VET CLINIC: _____

OWNER/HANDLER NAME: _____

DOG'S CALL NAME: _____

VET CLINIC TO FILL IN BY HAND:

I verify on _____ : _____ : Weighed _____ lbs.
(date) *(dog's call name)* *(insert weight)*

(Signature of Vet Clinic employee witnessing weight of dog)

(Position of Vet Clinician)

(Print name of Vet employee signing this form)

(Clinic Phone #)

Please provide **Vet Clinic Stamp** below, **with name and address of the Clinic**, OR have the information above printed/provided on the Vet Clinic's letterhead.

VET STAMP HERE:

Save The Dates

***BMDCNI Regional Specialty
July, 28, 2023
Waukesha, WI***

***BMDCNI Regional Specialty
“Fall Festival of Colors”
October 28 & 29, 2023
Joliet, IL***

For Questions Contact:

Chairperson, Debbie Thornton bernerz@aol.com
Specialty premiums will be available at bmdcni.org