

Bernese Mountain Dog Club of Northeastern Illinois
ALL BREED/MIXED BREED AKC Farm Dog Certified Tests

Monday, September 7, 2026

8:00 AM until finished

"Spend Labor Day at the Farm"

Two qualifying runs with two different judges to title!

Limit of 40 dogs per test. Entry Fee: \$30 per test

Test #1 — AKC Event #2026608403 — Judge: Bonnie Gutzwiler, Yorkville, IL

Test #2 — AKC Event #2026608402 - Judge: Keri Goff, Crown Point, IN

Event Site: Creekwood Meadows Farm

232 Creek Road Plano, IL 60545-9512 Will take place in dog training field off Galena Road

Directions: I-88 west to Sugar Grove exit, take Rt. 30 west to Dauberman Rd. Go south to Galena Rd.
(second stop sign). Turn right heading west to dog training field on the left right after the creek.

Veterinarian will not be on site — closest will be VCA Aurora Animal Hospital

2600 W. Galena Blvd. Aurora (630) 301-6100 open 24 hours

Entries close: Wednesday, September 2 6:00 PM. There will be no day of show entries.

After this time entries cannot be cancelled, altered, or substituted.

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: BMDCNI

MAIL ENTRY FORMS WITH FEES: Cherie Bond 232 Creek Road Plano, IL 60545-9512

Phone, fax, or email entries will NOT be accepted

The AKC Farm Dog Certified Test is open to all dogs at least 9 months of age that are individually registered with the AKC, recorded in the FSS program, dogs with PAL numbers, or neutered dogs enrolled in the Canine Partners Program.



American Kennel Club Certification

Permission has been granted by the American Kennel Club for the holding of these events under American Kennel Club Rules and Regulations. Gina DiNardo, Secretary

Chairperson: Mike Bond 232 Creek Road Plano, IL 60545 PlanoBond4@aol.com (630) 816-5708

Secretary: Cherie Bond 232 Creek Road Plano, IL 60545 berniers4Bond@aol.com (630) 816-5709 (630) 552-9007

Committee: Mike Bond, Cherie Bond, Lynne Washburn, John Washburn, Kelley Frank & Sharon Blaszak
**** *Note - the gate to the field will not open before 7:30 AM! These events are held rain or shine. There is a steep hill to climb/walk down between tests.**



RIBBONS

Test Qualifying Score

Dark Green ribbon

New Title Rosette

Blue and White Gingham Rosette

Notice to Exhibitors

- A separate entry blank must be completed for each dog entered.
- Bitches in season will be permitted to run, but will be moved to the end of the running order. Please notify the event secretary if your bitch is in season.
- Entry fees will be refunded to alternates who decline to be placed on the alternate list. Also, entry fees of alternates who do not participate in the test will be refunded. Entry fees will not be refunded to a scheduled entrant who is absent on the day of the event unless an alternate is present and runs in the place of the absent dog. Refunds allowed as stated above will be processed as follows: Checks will not be returned, they will be shredded following the event. Entry fees will not be refunded in the event that a dog is absent, disqualified, excused, or barred from competition by action of the Event Committee. No entry fee will be refunded if the event cannot open or be completed by reason of riots, civil disturbances, fire, act of God, public emergency, act of a public enemy, extreme weather conditions, or any other cause beyond the control of the event committee.
- No entry fee will be refunded in the case of duplicate entries or any other cause beyond the control of the club after the closing of entries.
- Entries sent via Express Mail must have the signature waived.
- It is expressly understood that exhibitors alone are responsible for the behavior of their dogs and/or children. Any exhibitor whose dogs and/or children create unnecessary disturbances or repeatedly engage in unsafe or disruptive behavior may, at the discretion of the Event Committee, be asked to leave the event site. In such case, no refund of any fees paid will be made.
- Owners or their agents are solely responsible for the presence of their dog(s) at the test arena. Judges are not required to wait for dogs.
- Exhibitors should follow their veterinarian's recommendations to assure their dogs are free of internal and external parasites, any communicable diseases, and have appropriate vaccinations.
- Please bring your own chairs, water for yourself and your dog.
- Food will not be available at event, but there are fast food restaurants nearby.
- All dogs must be on leash at all times. No flexi-type retractable leashes allowed.
- Unentered dogs are not allowed in the test area.
- Porta potty will be available on site.
- NO alcoholic beverages are allowed at the event site.
- No telephone, fax, online entries or credit card payments will be accepted. Returned checks do not constitute a valid entry fee. The BMDCNI Treasurer will add a \$35 collection to the amount of each returned check.
- Neither the event committee, nor the BMDCNI will be responsible for the loss or damage to any dog on the event grounds, whether as a result of an accident or any other cause. It is clearly understood that every dog entered in the test is in the care, custody and control of its owner or handler during the entire time the dog is on the event premises.
- Owners or their agents are responsible for any injury or death to livestock including but not limited to veterinary bills, and/or the cost of replacement of said animal.
- Please respect the grounds and clean up after yourself and your dogs to maintain the premises in a clean and Edy condition.
- Title application forms will be available day of test. Owner is responsible for submitting completed form with AKC fee of \$32 to receive title certificate.

For complete information on the Farm Dog Certification test including scoresheets, videos, and regulations, go to:

<https://www.akc.org/sports/herding/farm-dog-certified-test/>

[http://images.akc.org/pdf/FDC Test Guide.Revised.11.2017.pdf](http://images.akc.org/pdf/FDC%20Test%20Guide.Revised.11.2017.pdf)

Dogs must wear a secure, well-fitting flat collar. Need 4 to 6 ft. leash

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Farm Dog Certified Test

Entries open Wednesday , July 1st. Entries close Wednesday, Sept. 2nd.



Monday, September 7, 2026 Test# 1 Event# 20268403- Judge: Bonnie Gutzwiler



Monday, September 7, 2026 Test#2 Event# 20268402 —Judge: Keri Goff

Entries close **Wednesday, September 2, 2026 at 6:00 PM**

Make check payable to **BMDCNI** and mail entries to: Cherie Bond 232 Creek Road Plano, IL 60545

Entry fee: **\$30 per test includes \$3.50 AKC recording fee**

I have enclosed \$_____for entry fees. Important — read and sign and include the agreement with your entry. Your entry cannot be accepted without fees, agreement, and entry form.

Registered Name of	Call Name:	
Breed;	Variety:	
Registration #:	Sex: M / F I Date of Birth:	
Circle One: AKC ILP/PAL# FSS# Foreign # List Count		
Sire;		
Name of Breeder:		
Actual Owner;		
Owner's Address:		
		State:
		Zip:

I certify that I am the actual owner of the dog, or that I am the duly authorized agent of the actual owner whose name I have entered above. In consideration of the acceptance of this entry, I (we) agree to abide by the rules and regulations of the American Kennel Club in effect at the time of this event and further agree to be bound by the "Agreement" printed on the reverse side of this entry form. I (we) submitted for acceptance on the foregoing representation and Agreement.

Signature of owner or his agent duly authorized to make this entry:

E-Mail:

Telephone:

AGREEMENT (MUST be included with entry form)

I, (we) acknowledge that the "rules Applying to Registration and Dog Shows" and the "*rules for Herding Tests & Trials" have been made available to me (us) and that I (we) agree that the club holding this event has the right to refuse this entry for cause which the club shall deem sufficient, In consideration of the acceptance of this entry and of the holding of this event and of the opportunity to have the dog judged and to win prizes, ribbons, or trophies, I (we) agree to hold the AKC, the event-giving club, their members, directors, governors, officers, agents, superintendents or event secretary and the owner and/or lessor of the premises and any provider of services that are necessary to hold this event and any employees or volunteers of the aforementioned parties, and any AKC approved Judge, judging at this event, harmless from any claim for loss or injury which may be alleged to have been caused directly or indirectly to any person or thing by the act of this dog while in or about the event premises or grounds or near any entrance thereto, and I (we) personally assume all responsibility and liability for any such claim; and I (we) further agree to hold the aforementioned parties harmless from any claim for loss, injury or damage to this dog. I (we) will pay for any injuries or the replacement value in this event of serious injury to the livestock caused by my (our) dog. I (we) agree that the determination of whether the injury is serious shall be made by the event veterinarian and is binding on me (us). Additionally, I (we) hereby assume the sole responsibility for and agree to indemnify, defend and save the aforementioned parties harmless from any and all loss and expense (including legal fees) by reason of the liability imposed by law upon any of the aforementioned parties for damage because of bodily injuries, including death at any time resulting therefrom, sustained by any person or persons, including myself (ourselves), or on account of damage to property, arising out of or in consequence of my (our) participation in this event, however such, injuries, death or property damage may be caused, and whether or not the same may have been caused or may be alleged to have been caused by the negligence of the aforementioned parties or any of their employees, agents, or any other persons.

I (WE) AGREE THAT ANY CAUSE OF ACTION, CONTROVERSY OR CLAIM ARISING OUT OF OR RELATED TO THE ENTRY, EXHIBITION OR ATTENDANCE AT THE EVENT BETWEEN THE AKC AND THE EVENT-GIVING CLUB (UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED IN ITS PREMIUM LIST) AND MYSELF (OURSELVES) OR AS TO THE CONSTRUCTION, INTERPRETATION AND EFFECT OF THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE SETTLED BY ARBITRATION PURSUANT TO THE APPLICABLE RULES OF THE AMERICAN ARBITRATION ASSOCIATION. HOWEVER, PRIOR TO ARBITRATION ALL APPLICABLE AKC BYLAWS, RULES, REGULATIONS AND PROCEDURES MUST FIRST BE FOLLOWED AS SET FORTH IN THE AKC CHARTER AND BYLAWS, RULES, REGULATIONS, PUBLISHED POLICIES AND GUIDELINES.

Printed Name: _____

Signature: _____ Date _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

In case of emergency contact: _____ Phone: _____