

OFFICIAL CATALOGUE

BERNESE MOUNTAIN DOG CLUB OF CANADA

Draft Dog Test

Saturday May 25, 2024



Private Residence

274145 Highway 552 West De Winton, AB T0L 0X0

[Test Location](#)

There will be NO Day of Test entries accepted for this test.

CKC Event #2420224996

This event is held under the rules of the CKC. The Bernese Mountain Dog Club of Canada and the Canadian Kennel Club have granted permission for hosting of this event.

All Provincial COVID Regulations & Requirements at the time of the Test will be adhered to. This may require a waiver, though none is regulated at this time.

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TEST SITE

The draft test site is located on private property. We have been graciously invited to use it for this test. There is ample parking and if required, day tents may be erected near your vehicle for shade, should the weather dictate their usage. There is an outhouse on the property. Please respect the facilities and keep to the areas as marked and pick up after your dogs. Dogs are to be always under control.

Food Services and Special Needs:

Coffee, water, refreshments and morning items will be provided prior to the event commencing. Lunch will be served and scheduled at the Judges' discretion. If you have any special needs, please include a note with your entry, or email the Test Secretary. Thank – you!

WHAT IS A DRAFT TEST?

A Draft Test consists of a series of exercises designed to demonstrate teamwork skills in a land work capacity involving hauling. Dogs have historically functioned as draft animals in various capacities, and the performance of these exercises is intended to exhibit skills resulting from both natural ability and training that are applicable to realistic work situations.

Dogs must be willing to work with their handlers and the exercise must be accomplished efficiently. The goal of each handler is to maintain control while encouraging their dog's natural independence: together they demonstrate teamwork. Since a dog can perform draft work only in cooperation with a person, each handler must demonstrate an understanding of draft work with the dog's ability, training and equipment.

Dogs entered in today's tests are not competing against each other, but against a standard of performance developed over years of working with draft dogs.

Purpose: To demonstrate a dog's usefulness as a draft animal, a reliable freighting companion and worker.

Novice Draft Dog (NDD) Exercises

Control Exercises

Purpose: The control exercises demonstrate the dog's ability to be a safe and obedient companion and worker. Two exercises will be performed:

- Heel On Leash – 6 Foot Leash
- Group Down Stay – 1 Minute

Carting Exercises

Purpose: The carting exercises demonstrates the dog's usefulness as a draft animal in maneuvering loads safely and quietly on a wheeled vehicle over a moderate distance and smooth terrain.

Four exercises will be performed:

- Harness and Hitch
- Maneuvers
- Figure 8
- Backup – 2 Feet

Field Work Exercises

Purpose: The field work exercise demonstrates the dog's ability to pull a suitable freight load over a moderate distance in cooperation with his handler. Three exercises will be performed:

- Hitching and Loading
- Hauling
- Unloading and Unhitching

Draft Dog (DD) Exercises

Control Exercises

Purpose: The control exercises demonstrate the dog's ability to be a safe and obedient companion and worker. Two exercises will be performed:

- Heel Off Lead
- Group Down Stay – 3 Minutes

Carting Exercises

Purpose: The carting exercises demonstrates the dog's usefulness as a draft animal in maneuvering loads safely and quietly on a wheeled vehicle over a moderate distance and smooth terrain. Five exercises will be performed:

- Harness and Hitching
- Stand Stay & Return with Object
- Manoeuvres
- Figure 8
- Backup – 4 Feet

Field Work Exercises

Purpose: The field work exercises demonstrate the dog's ability to pull a suitable freight load over a moderate distance in cooperation with his handler. Three exercises will be performed:

- Hitching and Loading
- Hauling
- Unloading and Unhitching

Draft Dog Excellent (DDX) Exercises

Carting Exercises

Purpose: The Carting Exercises demonstrate the dog's competence as a draft animal in pulling a wheeled conveyance on a smooth surface. Four exercises will be performed:

- Harnessing, Hitching and Loading
- Back Up – 4 Feet Straight
- Manoeuvres with handler beside the cart
- Manoeuvres with handler behind the cart

Freight Haul Exercises

Purpose: The Freight Haul Exercises demonstrate the dog's usefulness as a reliable freighting companion and worker. Three exercises will be performed:

- Harnessing, Hitching and Loading
- Hauling
- Unloading and Unhitching

Backpacking Exercises

Purpose: The Backpacking Exercises demonstrate the ability of the dog to function as a pack animal, carrying a load over a long distance and rough terrain. Three exercises are used to demonstrate this ability:

- Loading
- Backpacking
- Distraction
- Unloading

At the end of the day, it's been a long haul - Give a cheer for all the teams, each of whom has worked very hard to be here.

TOTAL ENTRIES: 14

Level	Entries
NDD	5
DD	7
DDX	2

Schedule of Events

- 8:30 a.m.** Check in. Pick up exhibitor's Welcome Bag which has a test catalogue, armband, etc.
Field exercise loads available for inspection.
- 9:00 a.m.** Test Secretary / Chief Steward's and Judges' comments.
Equipment check for all teams by Judges.
- 9:30 a.m.** Test Begins.

Judging will take place in the following order:

NDD Control Exercises and Down Stay
DD Control Exercises and Down Stay
DDX Harness, Hitching, Loading, Back-up and Maneuvers
NDD Maneuvers, Figure 8 and Back-up
DD Maneuvers, Figure 8 and Back-up
DDX Freight Haul
NDD Freight Haul
DD Freight Haul
DDX Backpacking

** Lunch break will be at the Judges' discretion **

PLEASE NOTE

These times are approximate times only and the schedule may be altered at the judges' discretion. Dogs **MUST** be ready for testing and are to be judged in catalogue order with the exception of bitches in season. Judges will not hold up the test waiting for entrants and undue delays will be considered as withdrawal from further exercise. If needed, a lunch break will be scheduled at the judges' discretion.

Rosettes and prizes will be presented at the conclusion of all judging.

- All participating entrants will receive an exhibitor's welcome bag.
- Each dog receiving a qualifying score will earn a red rosette, per judge, to a maximum of three rosettes; and all dogs achieving a title will receive a prize.
- A prize, donated by Kari Thomson, awarded to the oldest dog achieving a draft title in honor of Sadie, her first Bernese Mountain Dog.

- A brand-new Canine Equipment Backpack Size Large, donated by Sandee Baker, awarded to the youngest qualifying Bernese Mountain Dog.
- A prize, donated by Chris and Priscilla Bell, awarded for a First Novice Draft Dog Title.
- A prize, donated by Gwen Haynes, awarded for a First Draft Dog Title.
- A prize, donated by Chris and Priscilla Bell, awarded for every qualifying Bernese Mountain Dog.
- An award, donated by Chris and Priscilla Bell, for all the 'almost' teams, recognizing their team work and dedication.

SPECIAL THANKS

As always, we gratefully acknowledge the contributions of many folks for the success of this working event. No test of this magnitude could be undertaken without hours of volunteer time, effort, skill and imagination. We thank the BMDCC for granting us permission to hold this test; our many friends from out of the area who came to participate and help; all the volunteers who gave of their most precious gifts: their time and energy; and to the exhibitors who gave us the reason to get together in this celebration of the bond that is created by a working relationship with our canine companions.

Thank you to Priscillia and Chris Bell, Kim Doig, Dianna Shaw, Gwen Haynes, Kari Thomson, Kim Tollefson, Leanne Tucker, Madeleine and Hans-Peter Jakob, Robin Hoogwerf, and Sandee Baker for all of your very generous donations.

Thank you to Beth and Soren Christiansen for allowing us to use their property.

Thank you to our fabulous judges for coming out and judging this test.

Thank you to Kim Doig for making the great lunches.

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Thank you to the following businesses for providing gifts for the participant welcome bags: Smack, Big Country, Tilted Barn and North Hill PetValu.

Thank you to 4imprint and Vivid Expressions for their embroidery and etching on the welcome gifts and prizes.



Novice Draft Dog – 5 Teams

101 DOUBLEDUTCH'S AMILYN (F), CK-KG4184492, 21-Apr-22

Breeders: Double Dutch Bernese. CH DoubleDutch's Rothko x CH DoubleDutch's Jar Jar Binks CGN. Canada. Owner: Cindy SPEELMAN ALDRED, Nolan ALDRED, Bernese Mountain Dog, **Call Name: Amilyn**

102 PRAIRIEHOMES TALK OF THE TOWN (M), CK-HY4063663, 11-Dec-20

Breeders: Jaylene Cote, Heidi Ball. BR Micmac Follow My Way 2nd x Prairiehom's Hillbilly Girl. Canada. Owner: Patricia HOCKIN, Heidi BALL, Newfoundland, **Call Name: Grizzy**

103 SWISS STAR'S READY TO RUMBLE V STARBOURNE (M), TC-24100006897, 15-Jan-16

Breeders: Bobbie Hefner April Rifenberg. Swiss Star's American Idol x Starbourne's Double Dutch Delight. Elsewhere. Owner: Cynthia KNAPP, Bernese Mountain Dog, **Call Name: Rumble**

104 CH PIZGLORIA'S ADAH (F), CK-HW4035664, 20-Nov-20

Breeders: Madeleine & Hans-Peter Jakob. CH Heath Valleys Lead Me Home x Heidisaint's Reba Pizgloria. Canada. Owner: Madeleine & Hans-Peter JAKOB, Saint Bernard, **Call Name: Adah**

105 RYDER RIOMADEA GRANDE (M), TC-24100006899, 05-May-22

Breeders: Mario Susic. Doremis Cool Iceman x Xila Riomadea Grande. Elsewhere. Owner: Cynthia KNAPP, Bernese Mountain Dog, **Call Name: Ryder**

Total Entries _____ Pass _____

Draft Dog – 7 Teams

201 TOLLWEST SUGAR DADDY (M), BS593740, 28-Sep-14

Breeders: Lisa Porter. Javahill Teal Blue Sky x Tollwest Taste Of Freedom. Canada. Owner: Carma CIVITARESE, Peter CIVITARESE, Retriever (Nova Scotia Duck Tolling), **Call Name: Toby**

202 EDENCOURT MAYDELE'S TRUTH AND LIES RE (M), CK-HE4116303, 02-Nov-20

Breeders: Karina Cowie / Sara Craig. Seransil ConBrio Einstein x GCH Edencourt Little White Lie AGI AGNJ NP RAE RM JT SDN VB. Canada. Owner: Sara CRAIG, Poodle (Standard), **Call Name: Theory**

203 CH GCH EXCUSE ME SIR VON SASAUNNA (M), FD-HE4053407, 15-Mar-20

Breeders: Jill Corpataux. Jon Bon Jovi Llobu Astur x New Hope z Krainy Zeusa. Elsewhere. Owner: Ursula & Jill CORPATAUX, Bernese Mountain Dog, **Call Name: Enzo**

204 MTN HIGH ROYAL RIFLES AT BEACON CD RN (M), FD-GL4097874, 28-Jun-19
Breeders: Peggy Lange. Old Bay's Master Of Time x Mtn High Alexandra. Elsewhere.
Owner: Daniel & Laurina MACKINNON. Agent: Pauline BALDWIN, Newfoundland, **Call Name: Barrack**

205 TOLLWEST PEDAL TO THE METAL (F), CK-JJ4109977, 16-May-21
Breeders: Tollwest - Lisa Porter. Tollwest Royal Canadian Mint x Tollwest Revello. Canada.
Owner: Carma CIVITARESE, Peter CIVITARESE, Retriever (Nova Scotia Duck Tolling),
Call Name: River

206 CH NITROBERNER'S GOLDEN PIONEER (M), CK-KE4172629, 22-Mar-22
Breeders: Denise Newlove. GCHS Aiden Sergina V. T. Rijkenspark x CH Belnois Vrroom
To Nitro. Canada. Owner: Caitlin MCVICAR, Denise NEWLOVE, Bernese Mountain Dog,
Call Name: Bridger

207 CREO'S EVERLASTING HOPE , ESME (F), CK-JS4124075, 10-Sep-21
Breeders: Ursula Corpataux / Jill Corpataux. Schyz Vom Ruederthal x Die Immer Lacht Von
Sasaunna. Canada. Owner: Ursula CORPATAUX, Jill CORPATAUX, Bernese Mountain
Dog, **Call Name: Esme**

Total Entries _____ Pass _____

Draft Dog Excellent – 2 Teams

301 BACKCOUNTRY XENAGOGUE DD CD RI RM NS VN (F), EG704266, 11-Apr-17
Breeders: Wendy Bennett / Bonnie Fisher. Backcountry Rickshaw x GCH Backcntry
Outwitoutplayoutlast. Canada. Owner: Nicole WIEBE, Bernese Mountain Dog, **Call Name: Navi**

**302 GCH FIREZONE'S FIREFLY AT DRAGONAIR DDX BDD DDA HSs CD RA SDN S VB
ETD (M)**, 1139912, 01-May-17
Breeders: Marina Raukhverger. Ingebar's Tynan Dances With Wildflowers x Firezone's
Special Blend. Elsewhere. Owner: Susan AILSBY, Schnauzer (Giant), **Call Name: Serra**

Total Entries _____ Pass _____

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Directions to Draft Test

Private Residence

274145 Hwy 552 W Foothills County

[Test Location](#)

Google Maps - use CRS3 (Christiansen Field Aerodrome) This is our exact location https://maps.app.goo.gl/eXbE32kL5GzYNJ4r7?q_st=im Blue Sign Address - 274145 Hwy 552 W Foothills County

NOTE: Google Maps is not reliable for this address from Calgary: head South on Macleod Tr/Hwy 2A. Go 1 km past 210 Avenue and turn right (West) on Hwy 552. Go exactly 7 km, we are on the right. You'll see an orange and white windsock and a red shed at the entrance.

From Okotoks head west on Elizabeth St/Hwy 549. Travel about 12 km, we are on the left. (Located immediately past 284 Ave)

If you are coming from the North, take Deerfoot South and then turn right on Stoney Trail (you will now be going west). Take Macleod Tr/Hwy 2A heading South. Go 1 km past 210 Ave and turn west on Hwy 552. Go exactly 7 km, we are on the right. You'll see an orange and white windsock and a red shed at the entrance.

There will also be a sandwich board set up at the entrance to the property marked "BMDCC Draft Test"