

BERNESE MOUNTAIN DOG CLUB OF AMERICA DRAFT TEST

Hosted by the
Bernese Mountain Dog Club of Northern California



3 DAYS OF DRAFT TESTS: NOV. 4 – NOV. 6, 2016

Test 1 (Fri.): Judges Dan Brodigan & Peggy Granger

Test 2 (Sat.): Judges Peggy Granger & Jennifer Brightbill

Test 3 (Sun.): Judges Dan Brodigan & Jim Maxwell

**BOHLIG HAUS
5355 Timberland Drive
Foresthill, CA. 95631**

Entries close at the Test Secretary's address below on **Tuesday, October 25, 2016 at 11:00 p.m., PDT**. Please mail with checks payable to **BMDCNC**, or e-mail with online PayPal payment to:

**Cindy Beckman
3444 Broderick Street, San Francisco, CA 94123-1803
BluNoteBMD@gmail.com | www.norcalbernese.org**

These are ALL ELIGIBLE DOGS tests.

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(ALL entry forms go to the TEST 3/Recording Secretary)

TEST 1: Lisa Christensen, 18013 Augustine Rd., Nevada City, CA 95959
Fri, Nov. 4 (530) 470-0911 E-mail: *bernerlovr@yahoo.com*
TEST 2: Ann Ghiorso, 815 Sea Spray Ln. #216, Foster City, CA 94404
Sat, Nov. 5 (650) 358-0511 E-mail: *aghiorso@comcast.net*
TEST 3: Cindy Beckman, 3444 Broderick St., San Francisco, CA 94123
Sun, Nov. 6 (415) 776-8575 E-mail: *BluNoteBMD@gmail.com*

VETERINARIAN

Day of Test: North Fork Veterinary Clinic
12080 Locksley Lane, Auburn, CA 95602
(530) 888-8788. We will have printed directions on site.

Emergency: Loomis Basin Veterinary Clinic
3901 Sierra College Blvd, Loomis, CA 95650
(916) 652-5816. We will have printed directions on site.
Please call if possible prior to arriving.

OUR ESTEEMED JUDGES

- Tests No. 1 & 2:** Ms. Peggy Granger W4540 County Road A
Elkhorn, WI 53121
- Tests No. 1 & 3:** Mr. Dan Brodigan PO BOX 4346
Palmer, AK 99645
- Test No. 2:** Ms. Jennifer Brightbill ... 15860 South Lucky Lane
Oregon City, OR 97045
- Test No. 3:** Mr. Jim Maxwell 3444 Broderick Street
San Francisco, CA 94123

SCHEDULE

- Site opens at Noon on Thursday, Nov. 3 for early setup and campers.
- Daily Check-In time will be determined after the close of entries.
- Equipment Check will immediately follow Check-In.
- Judging will begin as soon as possible after the Equipment Check.
- A lunch break will be taken each day at the judges' discretion.
- Awards will be presented at the conclusion of the test each day.

CLASS ENTRY DETAILS

- **Entry limits:** 28 teams in Tests 1 & 2, and 24 teams in Test 3.
- **Entry fees:** \$35.00 for a single dog team, \$45.00 for a brace team.
- A separate entry form must be filled out for each dog of a brace team (please check "Dog 1" or "Dog 2") 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 entries than the daily limits noted above are received, they will be prioritized each day in the following order:
 1. **BMD** – Untitled
 2. **BMD** – Titled
 3. **Other breeds** – Untitled
 4. **Other breeds** – Titled

(Note that "titled" means titled in the entered class.)
- A random drawing 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.
- All Entrants and Alternates will be notified of their entry status within 48 hours of the close of entries by phone or e-mail.
- 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.

CLOSE OF ENTRIES

Send all entries to Cindy Beckman, Draft Test Recording Secretary.

Entries close (and all forms and payments must be received at the address below) **on Tuesday, October 25, 2016 at 11:00 p.m., PDT.**

1. Enter by hand or by mail with checks payable to BMDCNC to:
Cindy Beckman, 3444 Broderick Street, San Francisco, CA 94123
2. Enter electronically by:
 - a. paying with PayPal thru www.norcalbernese.org
 - b. **AND** e-mailing a copy of the entry form, any weight certificate required, and PayPal confirmation to BluNoteBMD@gmail.com

REGULATIONS

Entrants are responsible for obtaining the BMDCA Draft Test Regulations (revised as of 2011) and being familiar with them. Draft Test Regulations may be downloaded from www.bmdca.org/Draft at no charge.

ATTENTION EXHIBITORS

- Classes offered: Novice, Open, Brace Novice, and Brace Open.
 - Entered dogs must be 24 months or older on the day of the Draft Test.
 - Open and Brace Open 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.
 - Move-ups are allowed per the BMDCA Draft Test Regulations. Entrants hoping to move up must submit weight certificates with their Novice entry form, as they cannot be accepted after the entry deadline.
 - Handlers must provide their own draft rig, freight load, harness, and tie downs (or other means of securing a load in their particular draft rig).
 - Freight Haul weight loads:
 - **In Novice Draft**, the weight required is 20 lbs.
 - **In Open Draft**, the weight required is the weight of the dog rounded down to the nearest 10 lbs.
 - **In Brace Novice Draft**, the weight required is 40 lbs. per team.
 - **In Brace Open Draft**, the weight required is the sum of the Open weight (defined above) for each dog.
- Handlers must provide their own freight haul weights.***
- Bitches in season are not allowed to compete in the Draft Test. 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 seven days after the last Test date.
 - The two dogs of a brace team need not be owned by the same person.

AWARDS

The Bernese Mountain Dog Club of Northern California and its friends will offer a **Custom Prize with Ribbon or Rosette to all qualifying teams. Custom Rosettes will be presented for each first-time title** (a dog's first NDD, DD, BNDD or BDD).

Achievement Awards will be presented to:

- Any qualifying team earning an Advanced Draft Title
- Any team that qualifies in at least one class all three days
- First qualifying score of the weekend for each rescue dog
- First qualifying score of the weekend for each veteran dog

All participating teams will receive a **Ring Favor**.

MEAL OPTIONS

Morning Hospitality provided each day *Donations appreciated!*

Lunch available each day. Lunch will consist of an entrée, dessert and a beverage. Vegetarian selections available if pre-ordered **\$10/person**

Dinner available Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights – see below for menu descriptions. Vegetarian selections available by pre-order:

- **Thursday Pizza Party:** If you are staying on site or getting into town early, join us for a pizza (even GF) and green salad buffet ... **\$10/person**
- **Friday Grill Party:** Bring your own main course item for the grill and the BMD CNC will provide the appetizers and side dish, beverages, and dessert to celebrate our wonderful draft-work community..... **Free!**
- **Saturday Judges Dinner:** We'll be roasting our judges over the grill ... oops, we mean *toasting* our judges *by* the grill ... with appetizers, main course, spirited beverages, and dessert (vegetarian main option with grilled Portobello mushrooms) **\$15/person**

Sunday Pancake Breakfast: Clocks “fall back” on Sunday morning, so use your extra hour to enjoy a pancake breakfast in support of Northern California Bernese Mountain Dog Rescue & Rehome... **\$6 donation/person**
Additional tax-deductible donations for rescue gratefully appreciated!

PLEASE USE THE ATTACHED FORM TO ORDER MEALS

MEAL ORDER FORM

THURSDAY, Nov. 3: **Dinner:** Pizza and Green Salad Buffet **\$10**

FRIDAY, Nov. 4: **Lunch:** Entree, dessert and beverage **\$10**

Dinner: BYO entree (grill available) **Free!**
Appetizer, side, dessert & beverage provided

SATURDAY, Nov. 5: **Lunch:** Entree, dessert and beverage **\$10**

Dinner: Grilled meats and vegetables **\$16**
With side dish, dessert and beverage (vegetarian version with grilled Portobello mushroom entree)

SUNDAY, Nov. 6: **Pancake Breakfast:** To support BMD Rescue ... **\$6**

Lunch: Entree, dessert and beverage **\$10**

Friday's BYO-entree Dinner is being hosted by the BMD CNC and is free, but we need your reservation count to make sure we plan appropriately!

DRAFT TEST A LA “CART” MENU

**For each meal, please indicate the number of
Meaty or Vegetarian meals you are ordering.**

			Meat	Veg	
Thursday:	Pizza Dinner	\$10/person			\$
Friday:	Lunch	\$10/person			\$
	BYO Entree Dinner	Free/person			\$ 0
Saturday:	Lunch	\$10/person			\$
	Judges Dinner	\$16/person			\$
Sunday:	Pancake Breakfast	\$6/person			\$
	Lunch	\$10/person			\$

NAME(S): _____ **TOTAL** **\$**

Please complete and return Meal Order to the Test Secretary by Oct. 25th.
Make checks out to BMD CNC or use PayPal at www.norcalbernese.org.

BOHLIG HAUS

5355 Timberland Drive, Foresthill, CA 95631

The test site is in the Gold Country community of Foresthill and situated on the four-acre homestead of Litia and Larry Bohlig. Foresthill was one of the earliest areas of California explored during the gold rush.

Directions

- From I-80, take the Auburn Ravine/Foresthill exit (Exit 121). Turn east onto Auburn Ravine / Foresthill Road.
- Continue straight on Foresthill Road for 15.9 miles.
- After you pass Worton's Market, make a left turn onto Timberland Dr.
- Go to the end of Timberland Dr. and the driveway is on your right.

Weather

... happens! We'll update entrants on the forecast as the test approaches.

ACCOMMODATIONS

Best Western Golden Key, 13450 Lincoln Way. Auburn, CA (530-885-8611 ext. 0) Ask for "Bernese Mountain Dog Group" rate: King \$83.99-\$101.63 (plus tax) or 2 Queens \$100.79-\$118.43 (plus tax). Complimentary continental breakfast, heated pool and hot tub. Up to two dogs per room.

Other Area Accommodations (please inquire about current pet policies):

- **Quality Inn Gold Country**, 13490 Lincoln Way, Auburn, CA
Reservations: (530) 885-7025, www.qualityinnauburn.com
- **Motel 6**, 1819 Auburn Ravine Road Auburn, CA
Reservations: (530) 888-7829, www.motel6-auburn.com
- **Red Lion Inn & Suites**, 1875 Auburn Ravine Road, Auburn, CA
Reservations: (844) 248-7467, www.redlion.com
- **Miners Camp**, 24387 Foresthill Road, Foresthill, CA
Reservations: (888) 983-5083, www.foresthillminerscamp.com
- **HomeAway.com** and **Airbnb.com** have local listings

Camping Out at Bohlig Haus

- Bring your own RV, trailer or tent and stay on site. Please contact Larry Bohlig to arrange: (530) 367-6206 or threeberners@sebastiancorp.net.
- Want to rent an RV or trailer? Try these Sacramento vendors:

Happy Daze RVs
(800) 783-6509
happydazerv.com

El Monte RV Rentals
(916) 929-9001
www.elmonterv.com

Cruise America
(800) 671-8042
cruiseamerica.com

We Welcome Spectators!

Unentered dogs may be present but must be leashed or crated and under control at all times, and must not interfere with the test in any way. Please show courtesy to the working dogs by keeping other dogs a reasonable distance from the rings, and please do not allow them to foul the freight haul. **Please remember to pick up after your dogs!**

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.

**Return ALL Entry Forms and Meal Order Forms
to the Draft Test Recording Secretary
by 11:00 p.m., Tuesday, October 25, 2016:**

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ONLINE ENTRIES CAN ALSO BE MADE!

1. Visit www.norcalbernese.org to pay via PayPal
2. E-mail a copy of the entry form and any weight certificate with a copy of your PayPal confirmation to **Cindy Beckman at *BluNoteBMD@gmail.com***

BMDCA DRAFT TEST ENTRY FORM

Bernese Mountain Dog Club of Northern California

Bohlig Haus, 5355 Timberland Drive, Foresthill, CA 95631

Three tests: Friday, Nov. 4 / Saturday, Nov. 5 / Sunday, Nov. 6, 2016

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

Total Fees Enclosed: \$_____ or \$0 for second dog in brace team

Entries close at Test Secretary's address below at **11:00 p.m. PDT on Tuesday, Oct. 25, 2016**, after which time entries cannot be accepted, canceled or altered, except as specifically allowed in the current BMDCA Draft Test Regulations.

Mail Entries & Fees to: **Cindy Beckman**
3444 Broderick Street
San Francisco, CA 94123

Make checks payable to BMDCNC.

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

Breed			Sex <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female			
Class	<input type="checkbox"/> Novice	Brace Novice: <input type="checkbox"/> Dog 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Dog 2		<input type="checkbox"/> Open	Brace Open: <input type="checkbox"/> Dog 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Dog 2	
<input type="checkbox"/> Dog is titled in entered class			<input type="checkbox"/> Open Weight Certificate enclosed			
<input type="checkbox"/> Test #1 (Fri., Nov. 4)		<input type="checkbox"/> Test #2 (Sat., Nov. 5)		<input type="checkbox"/> Test #3 (Sun., Nov. 6)		
Registered Name <small>(please include titles)</small>						
Call Name			Berner-Garde # <small>(BMDs only)</small>			
Date of Birth						
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: _____

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