

## BERNESE MOUNTAIN DOG CLUB OF AMERICA DRAFT TEST

Hosted by the  
**Bernese Mountain Dog Club of Northern California**



**3 DAYS OF DRAFT TESTS: NOV. 3 – NOV. 5, 2017**

**Test 1 (Fri.): Judges Patti Davieau & Jasen Duncan**

**Test 2 (Sat.): Judges Patti Davieau & Barry Solomon**

**Test 3 (Sun.): Judges Barry Solomon & Jasen Duncan**

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

Entries close at the Test Secretary's address below on **Tuesday, October 24, 2017 at 11:00 p.m., PDT**. Please mail with checks payable to **BMDCNC**, or e-mail with proof of PayPal payment to:

**Cindy Beckman**  
**3444 Broderick Street, San Francisco, CA 94123-1803**  
**[BluNoteBMD@gmail.com](mailto:BluNoteBMD@gmail.com) | [www.norcalbernese.org](http://www.norcalbernese.org)**

**These are ALL ELIGIBLE DOGS tests.**

## BERNESE MOUNTAIN DOG CLUB OF NORTHERN CALIFORNIA OFFICERS

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### DRAFT TEST SECRETARIES:

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

**TEST 1:** Lisa Christensen, 18013 Augustine Rd., Nevada City, CA 95959  
**Fri, Nov. 3** (530) 470-0911 E-mail: [bernerlovvr@yahoo.com](mailto:bernerlovvr@yahoo.com)

**TEST 2:** Sheila Jones, 6261 Barbara Ln., Auburn, CA 95602  
**Sat, Nov. 4** (530) 878-1462 E-mail: [brnrlovvr@aol.com](mailto:brnrlovvr@aol.com)

**TEST 3:** Cindy Beckman, 3444 Broderick St., San Francisco, CA 94123  
**Sun, Nov. 5** (415) 776-8575 E-mail: [BluNoteBMD@gmail.com](mailto: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. Patti Davieau  
10180 Shoup Road, Black Forest, CO 80909

**Tests No. 1 & 3:** Mr. Jasen Duncan (Provisional)  
2250 Grove Way, Castro Valley, CA 94546

**Tests No. 2 & 3:** Mr. Barry Solomon  
7334 Plowsher Way, Morrison, CO 80465

## SCHEDULE

- Site opens at Noon on Thursday, Nov. 2 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 a title is earned after the entry has been submitted.

## Return ALL Entry Forms and Meal Order Forms to Cindy Beckman (Draft Test Recording Secretary) by 11:00 p.m., Tuesday, October 24, 2017:

1. Enter by hand or by mail with checks payable to BMD CNC to:  
**Cindy Beckman, 3444 Broderick St., 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 receipt to *BluNoteBMD@gmail.com*

## 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 dog's weight rounded down to the nearest 10 lbs., with a minimum weight of 60 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 (see above) for each dog, with a minimum weight of 60 lbs.
  - **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 dog 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

**Meals are available by pre-order**

**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 Buffet Taco Bar:** If you are staying on site or getting into town early, join us for Taco Thursday! ..... **\$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, grilled entrees, pasta, vegetables, and dessert ..... **\$16/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. 2:**     **Dinner:** Buffet Taco Bar ..... **\$10**

**FRIDAY, Nov. 3:**     **Lunch:** Grilled sausages/hot dogs ..... **\$10**  
With soup, sides, dessert & beverage

**Dinner:** BYO entree (grill available) ..... **FREE**  
Appetizer, sides, dessert & beverage provided

**SATURDAY, Nov. 4:**     **Lunch:** Chili with fixings, sides and dessert .. **\$10**

**Dinner:** Grilled beef or chicken ..... **\$16**  
(Vegetarian option available)  
With pasta, vegetables and bread pudding

**SUNDAY, Nov. 5:**     **Pancake Breakfast:** To support BMD Rescue ... **\$6**

**Lunch:** Wraps, soup, sides and dessert..... **\$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	
<b>Thursday:</b>	Taco Bar Dinner	<b>\$10/person</b>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<b>\$</b>
<b>Friday:</b>	Lunch	<b>\$10/person</b>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<b>\$</b>
	BYO Entree Dinner	<b>Free/person</b>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<b>\$ 0</b>
<b>Saturday:</b>	Lunch	<b>\$10/person</b>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<b>\$</b>
	Judges Dinner	<b>\$16/person</b>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<b>\$</b>
<b>Sunday:</b>	Pancake Breakfast	<b>\$6/person</b>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<b>\$</b>
	Lunch	<b>\$10/person</b>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<b>\$</b>

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

Please complete and return Meal Order to the Test Secretary by Oct. 24<sup>th</sup>.  
Make checks out to BMD CNC or use PayPal at [www.norcalbernese.org](http://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 \$95-\$114 (plus tax) or 2 Queens \$125-\$155 (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):

- **Miners Camp**, 24387 Foresthill Road, Foresthill, CA  
Reservations: (888) 983-5083, [www.foresthillminerscamp.com](http://www.foresthillminerscamp.com)
- **Quality Inn Gold Country**, 13490 Lincoln Way, Auburn, CA  
Reservations: (530) 885-7025, [www.qualityinnauburn.com](http://www.qualityinnauburn.com)
- **Motel 6**, 1819 Auburn Ravine Road Auburn, CA  
Reservations: (530) 888-7829, [www.motel6-auburn.com](http://www.motel6-auburn.com)
- **Red Lion Inn & Suites**, 1875 Auburn Ravine Road, Auburn, CA  
Reservations: (844) 248-7467, [www.redlion.com](http://www.redlion.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 [threebernese@sebastiancorp.net](mailto:threebernese@sebastiancorp.net).
- Want to rent an RV or trailer? Try these Sacramento vendors:

**Happy Daze RVs**  
(800) 783-6509  
[happydazerv.com](http://happydazerv.com)

**El Monte RV Rentals**  
(916) 929-9001  
[www.elmonterv.com](http://www.elmonterv.com)

**Cruise America**  
(800) 671-8042  
[cruiseamerica.com](http://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.

### DRAFT TEST 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 at no charge from:

<http://www.bmdca.org/Draft>

### MISCONDUCT DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURE

The BMDCA and the Draft Work Committee 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:

[http://bmdca.org/Draft/BMDCA\\_Draft\\_Discipline.php](http://bmdca.org/Draft/BMDCA_Draft_Discipline.php)

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 (updated: January 2017).

## BMDCA DRAFT TEST ENTRY FORM

### Bernese Mountain Dog Club of Northern California

Bohlig Haus, 5355 Timberland Drive, Foresthill, CA 95631

Three tests: Friday, Nov. 3 / Saturday, Nov. 4 / Sunday, Nov. 5, 2017

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. 24, 2017**, 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. 3)		<input type="checkbox"/> Test #2 (Sat., Nov. 4)		<input type="checkbox"/> Test #3 (Sun., Nov. 5)		
Registered Name <small>(please include titles)</small>						
Call Name			Bernese-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