

PREMIUM LIST

Entries close at the address of the respective Test Secretary, at 5:00 PM on April 8, 2009, after which time entries cannot be accepted, cancelled or altered, except as specifically allowed in the current BMDCA Draft Test Regulations. **Please note there are two separate test secretaries for this event.**



17th Bernese Mountain Dog Club of America ALL-BREED DRAFT TEST*

Hosted by
**Bernese Mountain Dog Club of Watchung
Saturday, April 18, 2009**

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1st Bernese Mountain Dog Club of America ALL-BREED DRAFT TEST*

Hosted by
**Mason-Dixon Bernese Mountain Dog Club
Sunday, April 19, 2009**

**Nockamixon State Park
1542 Mountainview Drive
Quakertown, Pennsylvania**

The June 2007 BMDCA Draft Regulations will be in effect at this test. All judging will be outdoors.

*This test is open to all breeds in accordance with June 2007 BMDCA Draft Regulations, Chapter 3, Section 1, Paragraph B.

Back-to-Back Draft Tests
Saturday, April 18, 2009
Bernese Mountain Dog Club of Watchung

Judges

Christine Mann
2942 Sugarloaf Road
Boulder, CO 80302
(303) 443-2837

Chris Cottle
Box 126
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(401) 423-1898

Draft Test Committee

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Grounds Sue Van Ocker
Trophies Sue Van Ocker
Hospitality Janice & Michael Bann
Ways & Means Karen Anelli
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Sunday, April 19, 2009
Mason-Dixon Bernese Mountain Dog Club

Judges

Susan Sanvido
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Olmsted Township, OH 44138
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2942 Sugarloaf Road
Boulder, CO 80302
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Chief Steward Dawn Cox
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Trophies Christine Vlassis
Hospitality Dawn Cox
Ways & Means Cathie Shipe

Purpose

Bernese Mountain Dogs have been working dogs for generations in the Bernese Oberland of Switzerland. Traditionally, the Bernese Mountain Dog hauled dairy products, such as milk and cream, from the farms to the dairy, often accompanied by children. As a working dog, the "Berner" literally pulled his or her own weight in contributing to the prosperity of the family.

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 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.

Regulations

Entrants are responsible for obtaining the BMDCA Draft Test Regulations and being familiar with them. Regulations may be downloaded from <http://www.BMDCA.org> at no charge or ordered from BMDCA Ways and Means (fee applies). The June 2007 regulations will be in effect for this test.

Schedule (both days)

7:30 AM to 8:30 AM	Entrants and judges arrive
8:30 AM to 9:30 AM	Equipment Check & Freight Haul Weigh-In
9:30 AM	Judges' Session and Course Familiarization

Judging will begin shortly following Judges' Session and Course Familiarization. A lunch break will be taken at the judges' discretion.

Prizes

Each team with a passing performance will receive a trophy. All participating teams will receive a ring favor.

Bernese Mountain Dog Club of Watchung, founded 1981

Officers

President	Sue Van Ocker
Vice President	Janice Bann
Treasurer	Michael Bann
Secretary	Suzanne Adams
	17 Blackwood Drive
	West Trenton, Nj 08628

Directors

Mike Lella
JoAnn Biercuk
Gina Nini
Claire Coppola
Debbie Traynor

Mason-Dixon Bernese Mountain Dog Club, founded 1991

Officers

President	Christine Vlassis
Vice President	Nancy Daly
Treasurer	Jackie Caracciolo
Secretary	Jill Shaeffer
	1148 Grandview Road
	York, PA 17403

Directors

Brenda Bedrosian
Dawn Cox
Valerie Chase
Cathie Shipe

Important Details

Entered dogs must be 24 months old or older on the day of the Draft Test. The Basic Control exercise is required for all entrants. Test is open to all breeds.

Open Brace and Open Draft entries must include a veterinary certificate stating each dog's name and weight. This certificate must be dated within 60 days prior to the actual test date. Brace Novice and Novice Draft entrants who think they may be in a position to move-up must also provide a weight certificate with entry. **No method will be provided at the test site for weighing entrants.**

Handlers must provide their own draft rigs, harnesses, freight haul weight, and tie-downs or other means of securing a load in their particular draft rig. Weight will not be provided by the host club. Novice dogs must pull 20 pounds but no more than this weight. Weights will be checked at the test site.

Weather

The average high temperature in Quakertown, Pennsylvania for April is 62 degrees; the record is 94 for a high and 15 for a low. Monthly rainfall totals average around 4"; come prepared and check the forecast frequently!

Sunrise and Sunset

Sunrise and sunset will be around 6:18 AM and 7:43 PM respectively each day.

Spectators

Spectators are more than welcome at the trial! Unentered dogs may be present, but must be leashed or crated and under control at all times. Please show courtesy to the working dogs by keeping dogs back from the ring and not fouling or blocking the freight haul area.

Food

Food will be available for purchase at the test site.

Bitches in season and medical withdrawals

Bitches in season are not permitted to compete. A handler may withdraw a dog from a Draft Test for medical reasons. Entry fees shall be refunded upon receipt of a signed veterinary certificate stating the reason for the withdrawal, minus \$5.00 per entry. Mail sent to the appropriate Test Secretary postmarked prior to the test date is acceptable; however, it is requested that the appropriate Test Secretary also be notified by telephone or e-mail in advance.

On-Call Veterinarian

Quakertown Emergency Veterinary Hospital
2250 N Old Bethlehem Pike
Quakertown, PA 18951
(215) 536-6245

Directions from Test Site (approximately 9 miles/20 minutes)

Head southwest on Mountainview Dr/PA-563
Turn right at Doylestown Pike/Dublin Pike/PA-313
Turn left at E Broad St/PA-313
Continue to follow E Broad St
Slight right at N Old Bethlehem Pike
Hospital will be on the left

Bernese Mountain Dog Club of Watchung
Nockamixon State Park, Quakertown, PA
Saturday April 18, 2009

Entry Fee: \$30 per team. Brace entry constitutes one team; please use two forms and staple forms together. **This entry form may only be used for the Saturday test.**

Entries close at the Test Secretary's address promptly at **5:00 PM on Wednesday, April 8, 2009**, after which time entries cannot be accepted, canceled, or altered, except as specifically allowed in the current BMDCA Draft Test Regulations.
Weight certificates must accompany entry.

Mail Entries & Fees to Adam Conn
3 Douglass Drive
Princeton, NJ 08540

Make checks payable to BMCW, and write a separate check for each team entered. Do not send cash. **Please type or print clearly and include your telephone number and e-mail address for notification.**

BREED:

SEX:

CLASS: Novice Open Brace Novice Brace Open

This dog has already titled in the entered class:

Open Weight Certificate enclosed: All entrants must supply own weights.

CALL NAME:

REGISTERED NAME:

AKC REG NUMBER:
Or **OTHER REGISTRY AND NUMBER:**

DATE OF BIRTH:	PLACE OF BIRTH: <input type="checkbox"/> USA <input type="checkbox"/> CANADA <input type="checkbox"/> FOREIGN
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BREEDER:

SIRE:

DAM:

ACTUAL OWNER(S):

OWNER'S ADDRESS:

CITY: STATE: ZIP:

TELEPHONE: E-MAIL:

No Entry accepted without a signed Agreement

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. 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:

SIGNATURE:

DATE:

Mason-Dixon Bernese Mountain Dog Club
Nockamixon State Park, Quakertown, PA
Sunday April 19, 2009

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Weight certificates must accompany entry.

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 1148 Grandview Road
 York, PA 17403

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PLACE OF BIRTH: USA CANADA FOREIGN

BREEDER:

SIRE:

DAM:

ACTUAL OWNER(S):

OWNER'S ADDRESS:

CITY:

STATE:

ZIP:

TELEPHONE:

E-MAIL:

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NAME OF PARTICIPANT:

SIGNATURE:

DATE:

Entry Information

The entry fee is \$30 per entry. Brace constitutes a single entry. The entry is limited to 20 teams on Saturday, 25 on Sunday. If more than 20 entries are received on Saturday or 25 on Sunday, a random drawing will be held within 48 hours of the closing date, with priority given to Bernese Mountain Dogs without the title at the competition level entered, followed by Bernese Mountain Dogs, followed by any entrant without the title, followed by all remaining entrants. All entrants will be notified of their entry status. Alternates will also be drawn and may compete if a regular entry is marked absent.

This draft test is open to all dogs registered with the American Kennel Club (AKC), United Kennel Club (UKC), Canadian Kennel Club (CKC), or any other foreign registry, as well as unregistered dogs for which a PAL or ILP number has been issued by the AKC.

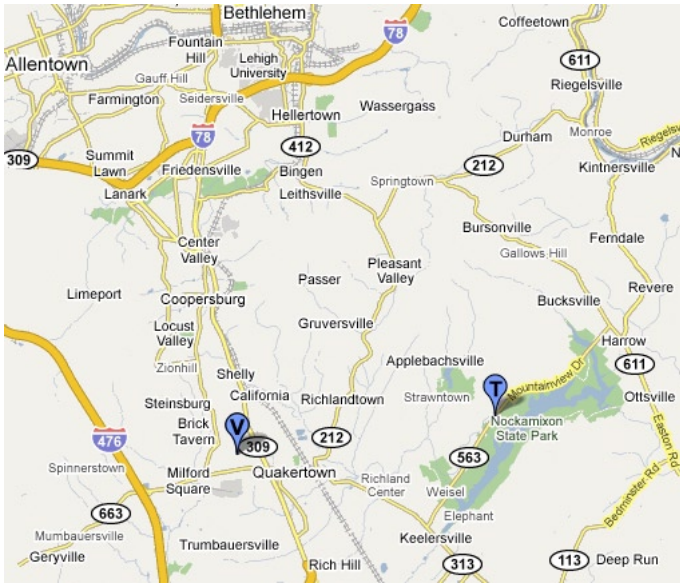
Entries close at the appropriate Test Secretary's address at 5:00 PM on April 8, 2009. Please type or print legibly when filling out the entry form and remember to include your telephone number and, if available, your e-mail address. For Brace entries, please fill out an entry form for each dog and staple them together. Please note there are two separate Test Secretaries for this event.

Additional premium lists and entry forms may be downloaded at <http://bmdcw.org> or <http://mdbmdc.org> or obtained from the Test Secretary for either club. Please make sure to print both sides of the entry form if working from the electronic document.

Telephone, fax, e-mail, incomplete, and unsigned entries cannot be accepted. Entries received without fees will not be accepted. Post dated checks and returned checks do not constitute a valid entry fee. A \$25.00 collection fee will be added to the amount of each returned check. No entry shall be made and no entry shall be accepted which specifies any conditions as to its acceptance.

Entry fees shall not be refunded in the event that a dog is absent, disqualified, excused by Veterinarian or Judge, or barred from competition by action of Show Committee. If because of riots, civil disturbances, or other acts beyond the control of the Show Committee it is impossible to open or to complete the trial, no refund of entry fee will be made. Extreme weather conditions, such as, but not limited to snow storms, lightning, extreme heat, extreme cold, must be considered for the health and safety of the dogs, exhibitors, and spectators. The well-being of dogs, exhibitors, and spectators is of paramount importance and, in the event it is necessary to cancel or stop the trial before completion, no refund of entry fee will be made.

Regional Map



**Quakertown Area Map, courtesy of Google and NAVTEQ
Test Site indicated with T; On-Call Veterinarian with V.**

Trophy Sponsorship

Don't have a dog that drafts (yet)? Take part by sponsoring a trophy. All donors will be mentioned in the two-day catalog.

Please contact the appropriate trophy chair for additional information:

Watchung:

Sue Van Ocker
1516 Birch Lane
Perkasie, PA 18944
(215) 795-0185
svanocker@yahoo.com

Make checks payable to **BMDCW**

Mason-Dixon:

Christine Vlassis
1011 Croft Drive
Lancaster, PA 17601
(717) 293-0901
cmvlassi@lancastergeneral.org

Make checks payable to **MDBMDC**.



Directions to Test Site

From I-78 (about 12 miles)

Take Exit 67 to PA-412 S
Turn right at Mountainview Dr/PA-563
Park entrance will be on the left
Proceed to Parking Lot #5

From PA Turnpike (about 12 miles)

Take Exit 44 to tollbooths
Turn left onto John Fries Hwy/PA-663
PA-663 becomes PA-313 E
Turn left at Mountainview Dr/PA-563
Park entrance will be on the right
Proceed to Parking Lot #5

Nearby Dog-Friendly Accommodations

Please call to check for specific rates and policies.

Hotels

Comfort Inn (12 miles from test site)
1905 John Fries Hwy
Quakertown, PA
(215) 538-3000

Best Western (23 miles)
1750 Sumneytown Pike
Kulpsville, PA
(800) 277-3615

Extended Stay (24 miles)
3050 Schoenersville Rd
Bethlehem, PA
(610) 866-8480

Comfort Inn (25 miles)
3191 Highfield Dr
Bethlehem, PA
(610) 865-6300

Best Western (27 miles)
300 Gateway Dr
Bethlehem, PA
(610) 868-2442

Bed & Breakfast

Indian Rock Inn (11 miles)
2206 River Rd
Upper Black Eddy, PA
(610) 982-9600

The Lafayette Inn (20 miles)
525 W Monroe St
Easton, PA
(610) 253-4500

Camping

Tohickon Campground (3.5 miles)
8308 Covered Bridge Rd
Quakertown, PA
(866) 536-2267

Colonial Woods Camping (8.5 miles)
545 Lonely Cottage Drive
Upper Black Eddy, PA
(800) 887-2267



Mark Your Calendars!

Saturday March 14

Mason-Dixon BMDC Regional Specialty
York, Pennsylvania
(in association with the Celtic Cluster)

Breed Judge: Gail Vogel
Sweeps Judge: Val Horney
Superintendent: Jim Rau Dog Shows

Saturday October 3

BMDC Watching Draft Test
Allentown, Pennsylvania

Sunday/Monday October 4 & 5

BMDC Watching Regional Specialty
Allentown, Pennsylvania

Adam Conn
3 Douglass Drive
Princeton, NJ 08540

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