

## Hearland Bernese Mountain Dog Club

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Food: Rick and Becky Briggie, Kathy Berge and Jessica Briggie  
Decorations: Barb and Jeff Hansen, Veronica Diersen and Kathy Berge  
Signs: Jessica Briggie  
Ways & Means & Judge and Entrant favors: Jessica Briggie

### Veterinary Emergency Clinic, 24 hours/day

There will be a veterinarian on site both test dates.

### **For emergencies at all other times:**

Iowa Veterinary Specialties  
6110 Creston Avenue  
Des Moines, IA 50321  
515-280-3100

### Draft Test Judges BOTH days

Ruth Nielsen 3909 Interlake Avenue North Seattle, WA 98103  
Kathy Berge 11872 G58 HWY Indianola, IA 50125

The Hearland Bernese Mountain Dog Club welcomes spectators at our draft tests! Please tell your friends and plan to spend the day enjoying our beautiful Bernese Mountain Dog companions.

**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 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 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.

### Directions to the Site

**Coming From North and East:** (from East = take I-80/I-35 west/north)

Take I-35 to Exit 92 Ankeny First Street Exit  
Turn West onto East First Street  
Travel approximately 5 miles to NW 94<sup>th</sup> Avenue.  
Continue across HWY 415 (0.6 mi)  
Turn Right (north) into Cherry Glen Recreation Area to Shelter #2

**Coming From South and West:**

Take I-35 to Exit 131: IA-28 S toward Merle Hay Road/ Saylorville Lake.  
Turn Left (north) onto IA-28 N/Merle Hay Road (0.4 mi)  
Turn Right (east) onto NW Johnston Drive (0.7 mi)  
Turn Left (north) onto NW Beaver Drive/Avenue (1.6 mi)  
Turn Right (east) onto NW 66<sup>th</sup> Avenue (0.8 mi)  
Turn Left (north) onto NW Toni Drive (1.0 mi)  
Turn Left (west) onto NW Fisher Lane (1.4 mi)  
Turn Left (north) onto NW 35<sup>th</sup> Street (1.3 mi)  
Turn Left (west) onto NW 94<sup>th</sup> Avenue (0.6 mi)  
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## LUNCH

There will be lunch available on site for purchase.

## ENTRY AGREEMENT

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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.

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**Name of Participant**

(please print) \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

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

Revised January 21, 2013

## Close of Entries

**Entries CLOSE at the TEST SECRETARY'S address at 5:00 pm CST on WEDNESDAY, May 17, 2017, after which time entries cannot be accepted, canceled or altered, except as specifically allowed in the current BMDCA Draft Test regulations.**

## Class Entry Details

1. There will be a limit of 24 entries for this Draft Test each day.
2. Entry fees - \$30.00 for each single dog team, \$40.00 for a brace team.
3. A separate entry form must be filled out for each dog of a brace team 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.
4. If more than 24 entries are received, they will be prioritized per the following order:
  1. Untitled BMDs
  2. Titled BMDs
  3. Untitled other dogs
  4. Titled other dogs\*Note that "titled" means titled in the entered class.
5. A random draw 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.
6. 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.

## Regulations

Entrants are responsible for obtaining the current BMDCA Draft Test Regulations (revised as of July 2011) and being familiar with them. Draft Test Regulations may be downloaded from [www.BMDCA.org](http://www.BMDCA.org) at no charge or ordered from the BMDCA Ways and Means (fee applies). To order regulations, contact Lynn Nelson (585) 813-5139, [BernierMom585@aol.com](mailto:BernierMom585@aol.com)

The BMDCA and the DWC 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.

## Prizes

All participating entrants will receive a ring favor and each team with a passing performance will receive a special trophy.

## Attention Exhibitors

- The following classes will be offered: Novice, Open, Brace Novice and Brace Open.
- Handlers must provide their own rigs, harnesses, and tie downs or other means of securing a load on their particular draft rig. Handlers must bring their own weight. Weight will be verified via scale at the test site.
- Entered dogs must be 24 months old or older on the day of the Draft Test.
- Open and Open Brace 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.
- Bitches in season are not permitted to compete.
- The two dogs of a brace team need not be owned by the same person or by the handler.
- Un-entered dogs may be present but, like entered dogs who are not in the ring, must be leashed or crated and under control at all times.

## Schedule

7:00AM Test Site opens

Check In: to be determined at close of entries.

Equipment Check: to follow check-in.

Judging will begin as soon as possible after the equipment check

Lunch will be at the judges' discretion.

Awards will be presented at the conclusion of the test.

## Test Site

The test will be held at Cherry Glen Recreation Area – Saylorville Lake, Shelter #2. There will be access to a building with restrooms. The shelter is covered with open sides. Please dress appropriately for the weather as it can vary from sun to rain and from warm to cold.

## Accommodations

**La Quinta** 1390 NW 188<sup>th</sup> Street, Clive, IA 50325 (515) 221-9200

Distance from site: approx. 19 miles

**Extended Stay America Des Moines - Urbandale**

3940 114<sup>th</sup> Street, Urbandale, IA 50322(515) 276-1929.

Distance from site: approx. 17 miles

**Ramada Tropics Resort** 5000 Merle Hay Road, Des Moines, IA 50322. (515) 278-0271. Distance from site: approx. 8 miles

**Americinn** 251 Gateway Circle, Grimes, IA 50111 (515) 986-9900. Distance from site: approx. 12 miles

\*\*\*Please check with the hotel regarding their pet policy. Please remember to pick up after your dog(s).

Heartland Bernese Mountain Dog Club  
Cherry Glen Recreation Area, Site #2  
4586 NW 94<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Polk City, IA 50223  
Saturday, May 27, 2017 and Sunday, May 28, 2017

**Entry fee: \$ 30 per dog per day; Brace entry \$40 per team per day**

Entries close at Test Secretary's address at **5:00 PM** on **Wednesday, May 17, 2017**, after which time entries can not be accepted, canceled, or altered, except as specifically allowed in the current BMDCA Draft Test Regulations.

**Mail Entries & Fees to: John Anderson  
2610 Kellogg Avenue  
Ames, IA 50010**

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

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<b>Class</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Novice <input type="checkbox"/> Brace Novice <input type="checkbox"/> Open <input type="checkbox"/> Brace Open	
<input type="checkbox"/> Dog is titled in entered class	<input type="checkbox"/> Open Weight Certificate Enclosed
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Test #1 (Saturday)</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Test #2 (Sunday)</b>
<b>Registered Name</b> (please include titles)	
<b>Call Name</b>	<b>Berner-Garde #</b> (BMDs only)
<b>Date of Birth</b>	<b>DNA Profile #</b> (Nationals only)
<b>Registration #</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> American Kennel Club <input type="checkbox"/> Canadian Kennel Club
<b>Breeder</b>	
<b>Sire</b>	
<b>Dam</b>	
<b>Actual Owner(s)</b>	
<b>Owners Address</b>	
<b>City</b>	<b>State</b> <b>Zip</b>
<b>Telephone</b>	<b>E-mail</b>
<b>Handler/Agent</b>	

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<b>City</b>	<b>State</b>	<b>Zip</b>
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## PREMIUM LIST

Bernese Mountain Dog Club of America Draft Test  
Hosted by the  
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**HEARTLAND**  
BERNESE MOUNTAIN DOG CLUB



**May 27 & May 28, 2017**

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**All Eligible Dogs Test – See restrictions inside**

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**First Class Mail**