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Belgian Sheepdog Club of America

(Member of the American Kennel Club)

AKC Herding Test/Trial
A course sheep trial & PT, HT, IT tests

Saturday & Sunday April 22 & 23, 2023 #2023126306, #2023126307

Trial/Tests are open to all herding breeds with Belgian Sheepdog preference on Saturday. Trial/Tests are open to Belgian Sheepdogs only on Sunday.

Possum Hollow Farm 371 CC Lovelace Rd, Rutherfordton NC 28139

Trial will be held outdoors Trial hours 7am-6pm

Entries open on Wednesday February 15 at 8:00 AM EST

Final Closing date Wednesday March 15 6:00 PM EST

after which time entries cannot be accepted, canceled, altered or substituted except as provided for in Ch 11, Section 6 of the Dog Show Rules

Entry Limits: 50 runs total



American Kennel Club Certification
Permission has been granted by the American Kennel Club for the holding
of these events under American Kennel Club rules and regulations.

Gina DiNardo, Executive Secretary

ENTRY INFORMATION

Entry fees: \$50 per run (including AKC recording/event service fees)

All entry fee checks or money orders (US funds) are to be made **payable to BSCA**. One check is sufficient for all enclosed entries.

Entries are to be mailed to: Jenni Wren/BSCA C/O Eileen Indorato 5082 Adder Ridge Lane Burlington, NC 27217

Entries must be received by **6 pm EST Wednesday, March 15** after which time no entries may be accepted, cancelled, altered, or substituted. No telephone or verbal entries will be accepted. All changes and cancellations must be received in writing (email is acceptable) prior to closing, except as provided for in Chapter 11, Section 6 of the Rules Applying to Dog Shows published by the American Kennel Club.

All entries must be on official AKC entry forms. Entries will be returned if they are illegible, incomplete, are submitted with incorrect fees, or are photocopied without the reverse side instructions and agreement included. Checks returned for insufficient fees will have the entry cancelled; acceptance of such an entry will only be made if the full fees, plus a \$25 administrative fee, are paid via certified check or money order & received prior to the start of judging. Express & certified deliveries must include signature waiver permitting them to be left at the Secretary's address without receipt signature. Entries received without signature release will be refused.

Entries with email addresses will be acknowledged with an email receipt. Confirmations and judging schedules will be emailed after closing. If you want a hard copy confirmation mailed, please note this on your entry. CAPER is not responsible for non-delivery of emails due to delivery errors or spam blockers, and no further efforts will be made.

Refunds: Entry fees will not be refunded in the event of errors or cancellation of entries after the published closing date; in the event that a dog is absent, disqualified, excused by the veterinarian or judge, or barred from competition by the Event Committee; or in the event that extreme weather conditions, riots, civil disturbances, or other acts beyond the control of the Event Committee make it impossible to open or complete the trial.

Entry errors: Exhibitors are responsible for the correctness of entries. All entries which include an email address will be sent an entry verification email shortly after receipt. All errors will be corrected prior to closing; exhibitor errors discovered after closing cannot be corrected. Overpayments of less than \$5 per dog will not be refunded.

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Trial Chairperson: Eileen Indorato, eileenindorato@yahoo.com • 336-417-1204 Members: Kelly Harrington, Moshe Reshef, Carleen Wiles, Elizabeth Dvorsky Trial Secretary (onsite): Jenni Wren

Photographer

Virginia Rodriguez, Wonderfur Photography info@wonderfurphotography.com

Veterinarian (On call)

Veterinary Referral Hospital, 126 US Hwy 321 SW, Hickory, NC 29602 828-328-6697

Trial Information

- Herding tests/trial are open to all AKC herding breeds (Belgian Sheepdogs preferred).
- Entries are limited to 50 sheep trial/test runs.
- Classes: A course sheep (Advanced, Intermediate, Started), PT, HT, IT.
 All trial classes and PT will be in a 100' x 200' arena. HT will be in a 100' x 100' arena.
- · Instinct Test (IT) will be offered with each sheep trial.
- A dog may be entered in a Trial class and a Test class for each sheep trial. However, either the Test or Trial entry should be designated the priority entry on the entry form, should the entry limits be reached. The other entry will be then taken as an alternate.
- Alternate list entrants must check in with the Trial Secretary on the grounds no later than 30 minutes
 prior to start of trial each day. Alternates that do not have the chance to run will have entry fees refunded.
 Refunds will be made to accepted entrants ONLY if an alternate is available to take their place.
- Bitches in season will run last in test classes and in catalog order in trial classes.
- Livestock: Khatadin/Mixed Sheep 3-5 head for A course, 3 head for HT/PT/IT (Value: \$200)

Judges: Darlene Laurin #76404 407 Water St. Washington, GA 30673 Rachel Vest #36162 1494 Hog Mountain Rd. Jefferson, GA 30549

Volunteers: Please contact eileenindorato@yahoo.com. Thank you for supporting this event.

Trial Secretary: Jenni Wren 5082 Adder Ridge Lane Burlington, NC 27217 251-752-1061 jwren29@hotmail.com

Site Information

Possum Hollow Farm, 371 CC Lovelace Rd, Rutherfordton NC 28139

<u>Exhibitors MUST clean up after their dogs and themselves!</u> Please bring your own chairs and shade tents/screens as there is little shade available. Dogs MUST be confined in vehicles or crated.

Lunch will be available for \$10 each day. Fast food restaurants are ~15 minutes from the trial site.

Trophies

The Belgian Sheepdog Club of America will provide HIT and RHIT for both an all breed winner and the Belgian Sheepdog winner on Saturday and the Belgian Sheepdog winner on Sunday. Trophies for the Belgian Sheepdog are beautifully handcrafted ceramic pieces with a BSD motif, designed by Furrytale Ceramic Studio. Trophies for the all breed winner are stained glass with a sheep motif.

High in Trial 1 & Trial 2	Ceramic Plate, Blue/Red/Yellowrosette
Reserve High in Trial 1 & Trial 2	Ceramic Tray, Red/Yellow/White rosette
First – Fifth Place in all classes	Dog Related Item
Placement rosettes: 1st Rlue, 2nd Red, 3rd Yellow, 4th White	5th Pink

LIABILITY: It is expressly understood that exhibitors alone are responsible for the behavior of their dogs and/or children. Any exhibitor whose dogs and/or children create unnecessary disturbances or repeatedly engage in unsafe or disruptive behavior may, at the discretion of the Trial Committee, be asked to leave the trial site. In such cases, no refund of any fees paid will be made. The club and any of its agents or employees will assume no responsibility for any loss, damage or injury sustained by exhibitors or handlers, or to any of their dogs or property, & further assume no responsibility for injury to children. The Belgian Sheepdog Club of America does not agree to arbitrate claims as set forth on the Official AKC entry form for this event.

Dogs may arrive at any time prior to their scheduled time of judging. Dogs not required for further judging will be excused. Owners and agents alone are responsible for the presence of their dogs when their run is called. The club, judges, stewards and secretary have no obligation or responsibility to announce for or locate dogs that are not ready to run when required.

Exhibitors should follow their veterinarians' recommendation to assure their dogs are free of internal and external parasites, any communicable diseases, and have appropriate vaccinations.

Local Hotel Information

Exhibitors must contact hotels directly and identify themselves as having dogs. Be sure to verify the dog policy with the hotel of your choice when you make your reservation. Clean up after your dog!

Super 8, 210 Reservation Drive Spindale NC • 828-286-3681 (7.2 mi) - Pool

Comfort Inn, 205 Commercial Dr, Forest City NC • 828-248-3400 (10.2 mi) - Pool, fitness ctr, spa

Firehouse Inn, 125 W. 1st St, Rutherfordton NC • 828-286-9030 • www.thefirehouseinn.com (5 mi) - remodeled old firehouse w/antiques

Jameson Inn, 164 Jameson Inn Dr, Forest City NC • 828-287-8788 (9.7 mi) - pool, fitness ctr

Dogwood Motel, 137 W. Mountain St. Rutherfordton NC • 828-286-9121 (5.6 mi) - no frills, clean

Ramada Ltd, 2600 Hwy 74-A, Forest City NC 28043 • 828-248-1711 (9 mi) - continental breakfast, hi-speed internet, pool, truck/bus parking

Carrier House B&B, 225 N. Main St, Rutherfordton NC • 828-287-4222 • www.carrierhouses.com (5 mi) Pinebrae Manor B&B, 1286 Hwy 108, Rutherfordton NC • 828-286-1543 (3.1 mi)

4 Paws Kingdom, 335 Lazy Creek Dr, Rutherfordton NC 28139 • 828-287-7324 • 4pawskingdom.com - Campground geared toward campers w/dogs. Full hookups, tent sites, cabins. Dog bathing facilities. Fenced.

Directions to Site

<u>From the West:</u> From I-26 take Hwy 108 NE through Columbus NC. Continue for ~15 miles. Turn Left onto Pleasant Hill Rd. Stay right at fork just past Pleasant Hill Church. Road ends at Maple Creek Rd - turn Right Take first left onto CC Lovelace Rd to large yellow farmhouse on left.

<u>From the East:</u> Take I-85 south to US 74 through Shelby. Continue on 74-Bypass to Union Rd exit, turn Right. (You will pass the exit to Rutherfordton.) Continue ~2.5 miles to Pleasant Hill Rd, turn Left. Stay right at fork just past Pleasant Hill Church. Road ends at Maple Creek Rd - turn Right Take first left onto CC Lovelace Rd to large yellow farmhouse on left.

<u>From the North:</u> From I-40 (between Statesville and Asheville) take Hwy 221 south ~20 miles towards Rutherfordton. Take Hwy 74-64 exit, turn Right until road ends & turn left following signs to Hospital. Turn right onto Maple Creek Rd and go ~4 miles to CC Lovelace Rd to large yellow farmhouse on left.

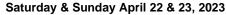
From the South: Take I-26 to Hwy 108. Follow directions From the West.

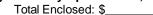


OFFICIAL AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB ENTRY FORM

Belgian Sheepdog Club of America Inc. 2023 National Specialty Herding Trials

Possum Hollow Farm, 371 CC Lovelace Rd, Rutherfordton NC







Clear Entries

Clear Dog Info

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Express mail entries must include signature permitting them to be left at the Trial Secretary's address

without receipt signature. Entries received without signature release will be returned.

Mail entries with fees payable to BSCA

Entry fees: \$50 per entry

duly authorized to make this entry ____

TELEPHONE_____
EMAIL ADDRESS

Saturday 4/22 (All-breed - BSDs preferred)		Sunday 4/23 (All-breed - Belgian Sheepdogs only				
TEST CLASS		TEST CLASS				
Herding Test (HT) Instinct Test (IT)	Hero	Herding Test (HT) Instinct Test (IT)				
Pre-Trial Test (PT)	OPre-	OPre-Trial Test (PT)				
A SHEEP TRIAL		A SHEEP TRIAL				
Started		OStarted				
Intermediate		Intermediate				
Advanced		OAdvanced				
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AKC REGISTERED NAME (include AKC titles only)			CAL	L NAME OF DOG		
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BREEDER						
SIRE						
DAM						
ACTUAL OWNERS						
OWNERS ADDRESS						
CITY, STATE, ZIP + 4						
HANDLER (Junior Handler see back)		FEE ENCLOSED				
I CERTIFY that I am the actual owner of the dog, or that I a above. In the consideration of the acceptance of this entry, I (effect at the time of this event, and by any additional rules an be bound by the "Agreement" printed on the reverse side of the opersons or other dogs. This entry is submitted for acceptar myself (ourselves) in accordance with all such Rules and Redecisions made in accord with them.	(we) agree to abide nd regulations appe his entry form. I (we ance on the foregoi	by the rules & re earing in the premaration e) certify and representation	egulations of ⁻ nium list for the resent that the n and Agreen	The American Kennel Club in is event, and further agree to e dog entered is not a hazard nent. I (we) agree to conduct		
SIGNATURE of owner or agent						

AKC Rules, Regulations, Policies and Guidelines are available on the American Kennel Club Web site, www.akc.org

AGREEMENT

I (we) acknowledge that the "Rules Applying to Registration and Dog Shows" and the "Rules for Herding Tests & Trials" have been made available to me (us), and that I (we) agree that the club holding this Herding Test or trial has the right to refuse this entry for cause, which the club shall deem to be sufficient. In consideration of the acceptance of this entry and the holding of the Herding Test or Trial and of the opportunity to have the dog tested or judged and to win prize money, ribbons, or trophies, I (we) agree to hold this club, its members, directors, governors, officers, agents, superintendents or show secretary and the owner or lessor of the premises and any employees of the aforementioned parties harmless from any claim for loss or injury which may be alleged to have been caused directly or indirectly to any person or thing by the act of this dog while in or upon the Herding Test or Trial premises or grounds or near any entrance thereto, and I (we) personally assume all responsibility and liability for any such claim for damage or injury to the dog, whether such loss, disappearance, theft, damage or injury, be caused by the negligence of the club or any of the parties aforementioned, or by the negligence of any other person, or any other causes.

I (we) hereby assume the sole responsibility for and agree to indemnify and save the aforementioned parties harmless from any and all loss and expenses (including legal fees) by reason of the liability imposed by law upon any of the aforementioned parties for damage because of bodily injuries, including death at any time resulting therefrom, sustained by any person or persons, including myself (ourselves) or on account of damages to property, arising out of or in consequence of my (our) participation in this Herding Test or Trial, howsoever such injuries, death or damage to property may be caused, and whether or not the same may have been caused by negligence of the aforementioned parties or any of their employees or agents, or any other persons.

I (we) will pay for any livestock injuries or replacement value in the event of death of any livestock by my (our) dog. In case of injury to any stock caused by the dog entered, I (we) will assume total responsibility for any damage. I (we) agree to pay the full market value of the injury animal in case of serious injury, or the veterinarian bill if the injury is slight.

I (WE) AGREE THAT ANY CAUSE OF ACTION, CONTROVERSY OR CLAIM ARISING OUT OF OR RELATED TO THE ENTRY, EXHIBITION OR ATTENDANCE AT THE EVENT BETWEEN THE AKC AND MYSELF (OURSELVES) OR AS TO THE CONSTRUCTION, INTERPRETATION AND EFFECT OF THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE SETTLED BY ARBITRATION PURSUANT TO THE APPLICABLE RULES OF THE AMERICAN ARBITRATION ASSOCIATION. HOWEVER, PRIOR TO ARBITRATION ALL APPLICABLE AKC BYLAWS, RULES, REGULATIONS AND PROCEDURES MUST FIRST BE FOLLOWED AS SET FORTH IN THE AKC CHARTER AND BYLAWS, RULES, REGULATIONS, PUBLISHED POLICIES AND GUIDELINES.

INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. (Variety) If you are entering a dog of a breed in which there are varieties for show purposes, please designate the particular variety you are entering; i.e., Cocker Spaniel (solid color black, ASCOB, parti-color); Beagles (not exceeding 13 in., over 13 in. but not exceeding 15 in.); Dachshunds (longhaired, smooth, wire-haired); Bull Terriers (colored, white); Manchester Terriers (standard, toy); Chihuahuas (smooth coat, long coat); Poodles (toy, miniature, standard); Collie (rough, smooth); English Toy Spaniels (King Charles & Ruby, Blenheim & Prince Charles).
- 2 A dog must be entered in the name of the person who actually owned it at the time entries for a trial closed. If a registered dog has been acquired by a new owner, it must be entered in the name of its new owner in any trial for which entries closed after the date of acquisition, regardless of whether the new owner has received the registration certificate indicating that the dog is recorded in his/her name. State on the entry form whether transfer application has been made to AKC. (For complete rules, refer to Chapter 11, Section 3.)