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# Sheep Herding Trials

**Sunday, May 3, 2020**

:: Two Trials Each Day, Run AM/PM ::  
Entries limited to Bernese Mountain Dogs Only

Herding Capability Test (Sheep), Junior Herding Dog (Sheep)  
Herding Trial Arena Dog (Sheep)  
Herding Ranch Dog (Sheep)

These events will be held outdoors.  
Keepstone Farm :: 412 Russell Road, Berryville, VA, 22611

**Event Hours:** 7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. (Or 1/2 hour after the last run)

Pre-Entry period closes April 1, 2020



**Rachael Toren, Event Secretary**  
2023 Wells Manor Avenue  
Gwynn Oak, MD 21207  
[www.clantyre.net](http://www.clantyre.net)

## Event Coordinators

Event Chair ..... Valerie Chase  
Course Director ..... Susan Rhoades  
Stock Supervisor ..... Susan Rhoades

## Event Secretary

Trial Secretary ..... Rachael Toren  
2023 Wells Manor Avenue, Gwynn Oak, MD 21207  
443.253.9404 :: clantyre@gmail.com

## Schedule of Classes

Two trials will be offered each day. Trials will be run consecutively (AM/PM)  
All trials are Sheep ONLY

HTAD (Arena Course 2), Levels I, II, & III

HRD (Ranch), Levels I, II, & III

Junior Herding Dog, Herding Capability Test

## Judges & Assignments

*Unless otherwise specified, judges are limited to 40 runs per day. Limits may be adjusted based on HCT pre-entry, pre-entry is recommended. Judges may be reassigned based on pre-entry counts.*

**Carol Lundquist, DVM** - Virginia

AM Trial - JHD, HCT, HRD [limit 10 HRD runs]

PM Trial - HTAD

**Erin Ledbetter** - North Carolina

AM Trial - HTAD

PM Trial - JHD, HCT, HRD [limit 10 HRD runs]

**Susan Rhoades** (Backup) - Virginia

## Stock & Limits

Sheep will be provided by Susan Rhoades, Keepstone Farm.

Sheep (Mixed breed hair & wool sheep) ..... Value of sheep: \$350 each

## Veterinarian On Call

Valley Emergency Veterinary Clinic  
210 Costello Drive, Winchester, VA 22601  
540-662-7811

## Eligibility of Dogs

These trials are open to Bernese Mountain Dogs only.

All dogs nine months of age or older are eligible to participate in Herding Trials. No dog may be entered in two classes on the same course with the same kind of stock under the same judge at any Test/Trial. Bitches in season shall run in drawn running order without adjustment.

The BMDCA requires each entrant to provide the valid AKC DNA Profile Number for the dog entered on the Official Entry Form at time of entry for all Bernese Mountain Dogs entered in these Tests and Trials. Failure to meet these requirements will render the dog ineligible to enter the event. This may result in the loss of all awards earned at the event, as well as subject the entrant to possible disciplinary action by the BMDCA, including but not limited to suspension from club privileges and entry of club events.

DNA kits can be obtained from the AKC Online Store at [www.akc.org](http://www.akc.org). **DON'T DELAY! STANDARD PROCESSING TIME IS 6-8 WEEKS AFTER RECEIPT.** If it has been more than 8 weeks since the DNA sample was submitted to AKC and you have not yet received a DNA profile number AND need it for your 2020 Specialty entry, call AKC DNA Operations at: 919-816-3508 to obtain a preliminary DNA number (accepted in extenuating circumstances only.) Please allow an appropriate amount of time for the AKC to receive your sample and call NO LATER THAN one week prior to close of entries. Be sure to mention "BMDCA National Specialty" to expedite your request

## Closing of Entries/Alternates and Move-Ups

- Day-of-show entry may be available, depending on pre-entry. If the trials fill with pre-entry, no day-of-show entries will be available.
- Whenever trial entry limits have been reached, all additional entries that are received prior to the closing date shall be added to an alternate's list for each level that exceeds the published limit(s).
- Entrants on the alternates list must check in with the Herding Secretary on the grounds no later than 30 minutes before the commencement of their class.
- Entry fee will be refunded to the alternates whose dogs do not have an opportunity to run. Refunds will be made for absent dogs whose runs are replaced by an alternate.
- Requests for move-up must be given to the Herding Secretary at least 30 minutes prior to the start of the event.

## Notice to Exhibitors

- There will be no smoking at the show site. Please dispose of trash in the proper manner. Bring shade, water and chair. Event will be held rain or shine.
- All dogs present which are not being worked in the arena must be kept quiet, off course, on leash and away from the fences. Please do not allow them to disturb the resting stock or interfere with the working dog.
- Judges are not required to wait for dogs. It is the responsibility of the owner/handler to have the dog at ringside when required and without being called.
- 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 Event Committee, be asked to leave the show site. In such case, no refund of any fees paid will be made. The host club, Keepstone Farm, Clantyre Show Secretary Services and its agents, employees, etc. will assume no responsibility for any loss, damage or injury sustained by exhibitors or handlers, or to any of their dogs or property and further assumes no responsibility for injury to children.

## Entry Fee Information

Pre-Entry Fee	\$45.00
Day-of-Show Entry Fee	\$55.00

MAKE ALL CHECKS AND MONEY ORDERS PAYABLE (in US Funds) TO:

**Clantyre Show Secretary**

Mail all entries with fees to:

**Rachael Toren, 2023 Wells Manor Avenue, Gwynn Oak, MD 21207**

**Do not send entries requiring a signature upon delivery.**

Confirmation of entry, move-up or cancellation will be sent via e-mail. If you do not have an e-mail address, please enclose a self-addressed, stamped envelope or postcard with your entry. If you have not received a confirmation of entry or entry cancellation by the closing date/time, please contact the Trial Secretary immediately. **It is the exhibitor's responsibility to ensure that their e-mail address is legible and that messages will be accepted from clantyre@gmail.com**

Telegraph, telephone and unsigned entries cannot be accepted. Entries without agreement and rules on the reverse side of the official entry form are NOT ACCEPTABLE. Entries received without fees will not be accepted.

Returned checks do not constitute a valid entry fee. The Show Secretary will add a \$30 collection fee to the amount of each returned check. Entry fees will not be refunded in the event that a dog is absent, disqualified, or excused by the Judge or Veterinarian, or barred from competition by action of the Show Committee. No refunds for bitches in season. If because of riots, civil disturbances, or other acts beyond the control of the show giving club, it is impossible to open or complete the show, no refunds will be made. Event Service Fees on herding events will be \$3.00 per entry.

## Refund Policy

Entry fees will not be refunded in the event that a dog is absent, disqualified, excused by the Judge or Veterinarian, or barred from competition by action of the Show Committee. If because of riots, civil disturbances, or other acts beyond the control of the show giving sponsor, it is impossible to open or complete the show, refunds are at the discretion of the sponsor.

## Online Payment Options

**Online Payment** will be accepted up to the closing date and time via PayPal. Do not email or fax your credit card numbers to us. Entry forms may be scanned and emailed to [clantyre.showsec@gmail.com](mailto:clantyre.showsec@gmail.com), or mailed to the address above.

Official entry forms must be used and both sides must be transmitted.

Payment can be made through the Clantyre Website. Credit card entries will include a \$2.50 fee for each entry. If you prefer to be invoiced, please include that in your email and an invoice will be sent as soon as practicable. Entries are not processed until payment is made. Payments and Entry Forms must be received by closing, so please plan accordingly. \$2.50 fee is non-refundable.

Please follow any additional instructions on our website.

## Herding Ribbons

All trophies, ribbons, prizes, and other gifts must be claimed the day of the trial. None will be mailed. The BMDCA reserved the right to substitute prizes of equal or greater value should a prize become unavailable.

Placements require a qualifying score

First Prize.....	Blue Rosette
Second Prize.....	Red Rosette
Third Prize.....	Yellow Rosette
Fourth Prize.....	White Rosette

Qualifying Score (Trial classes).....	Green Rosette
Qualifying (Test classes) .....	Rosette

New Title .....	Rosette
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## Herding Prizes

High In Trial.....	Prairie Dog Pottery Item
HCT/JHD Pass.....	Prairie Dog Pottery Item
Trial Qualifiers .....	Prairie Dog Pottery Item
All exhibitors.....	Paw Print Organic Artisan Soap
Veterans (7 years and older).....	Commemorative Item

## Triathlete Award

All trial class qualifications, and JHD passes count towards the Triathlete Award. HCT passes do not count.

*"Waiver of Rights - Animals in Distress: The Bernese Mountain Dog Club of America, Inc. reserves the right to contact appropriate authorities to remove any animal in distress from a parked vehicle and all persons attending these dog events hereby waive any claim for damages against the clubs for such removal. The Club regards the health, safety and life of any dog on the show grounds to be paramount to other property or privacy rights. We will attempt to reach the responsible party but cannot guarantee contact will be made before action is taken."*

## Accommodations

These establishments have graciously agreed to accept guests with **well-mannered dogs**.  
Please return the trust and assume full responsibility for your dog's behavior. Thanks!

### Hotels

#### **Red Roof Inn (Keepstone Farm Discount code 618346)**

911 Millwood Pike, Winchester, VA 22602 ..... Phone: 540-667-5000

#### **Motel 6**

2951 Valley Avenue (I-81 & Rt. 11), Winchester, VA 22601 ..... Phone: 540-667-1200

#### **Travelodge of Winchester**

160 Front Royal Pike, Winchester, VA 22602..... Phone: 540-665-0689

#### **Best Western**

711 Millwood Avenue, Winchester, VA 22601 ..... Phone: 540-662-4154

#### **Super 8**

711 Millwood Pike, Winchester, VA 22602 ..... Phone: 540-665-0689

### Campgrounds

#### **Candy Hill Camp Ground**

165 Ward Avenue, Winchester, VA 22602 ..... Phone: 540-662-8010

### RV Parking

A very limited number of RV spaces are available. No hook-up.  
Please contact Susan Rhoades directly at [keepstonefarm@aol.com](mailto:keepstonefarm@aol.com)

## Directions

Keepstone Farm is located at 412 Russell Road, in scenic Berryville, Virginia; less than a mile off of Route 7. It is easily accessible from Northern Virginia, West Virginia and Frederick Maryland via major roadways.

From the East: From Leesburg VA, take Route 7 West. Passing 2 traffic lights after the Rt 340 exit for Berryville, turn Right on Russell Road (Rt 660).

\* Go 3/10 mile, turn Right at large Keepstone Farm sign (Dog Gone Healthy sign below). Follow farm lane to Left turn at #412.

From the West: From I-81, Take Exit 315, Rt 7 East at Winchester VA. Go about 6 miles, and turn Left on Russell Road (Rt 660). Follow \* directions above.

From the North (and BWI Airport): From Frederick MD (Route 70), take Rt 340/15 South, bearing right on 340 South at the split. Follow 340 to Charles Town WV, and continue South on 340 to Rt 7 West at Berryville VA. Follow Rt 7 West through 2 traffic lights, to Russell Rd on right. Follow \* directions above.

From the South (Dulles Airport): From Rt 66 West - Take Rt 17 North toward Paris VA. Take 17 to traffic light, and turn Left onto Rt 50 West toward Winchester. Follow Rt 50 W to a Right turn at Rt 340 North (Sheetz Station at light). After going through the towns of Boyce and Berryville, turn Left onto Rt 7 West. Follow \* directions above.

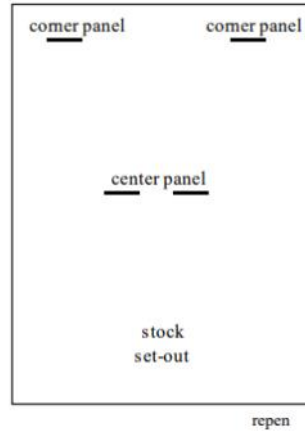
## Junior Herding Dog

Sheep only offered.

Junior Herding Dog Titles and Herding Capability Test titles require two legs, earned under two different judges. For the JHD title, the legs must be on the same type of stock. The HCT may be earned on the same type of stock or on two different types, with a small initial indicating the stock type on which the second leg was earned.

The stock are freestanding in the middle of the short side near the top of the arena, well off the fence. The dog may be brought in on lead, and the handler may gently guide the dog by the collar to a position within no less than 15 ft. of the stock before removing the lead. Off-lead, the dog must hold a stand, sit or down, then is released to gather and/or drive the stock. Throughout the course, the handler may take any position relative to the stock and dog and may move anywhere on the course, including through the obstacles. The handler may not touch the dog once the stock are set in motion.

The stock are taken through the panels. The handler may take the center panel either on the return from the corner panels or on the way to the corner panels (when negotiating the corner panels, the handler may choose to do either the righthand or lefthand panel first). The stock are then taken to the pen. The dog is stopped, holding the stock in place, while the handler opens the gate to the pen. After the stock have entered, the handler must close the gate; the dog should remain outside the pen.

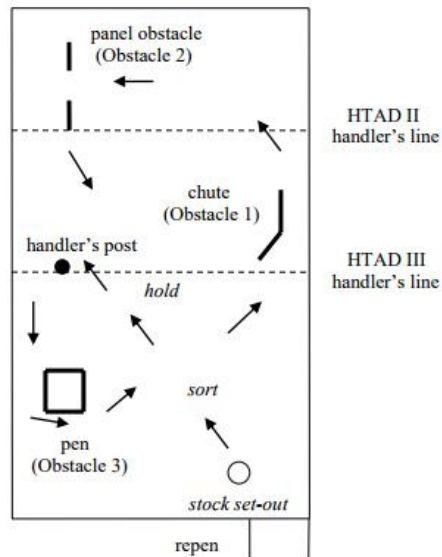


## Herding Trial Arena Dog (HTAD) (Course #2)

Sheep only offered. Levels I, II & III. All levels will gather, level I will do a hold, levels II and III will do a gate sort.

For a written description of the course, please visit the AHBA website (linked above).

### HTAD COURSE #2

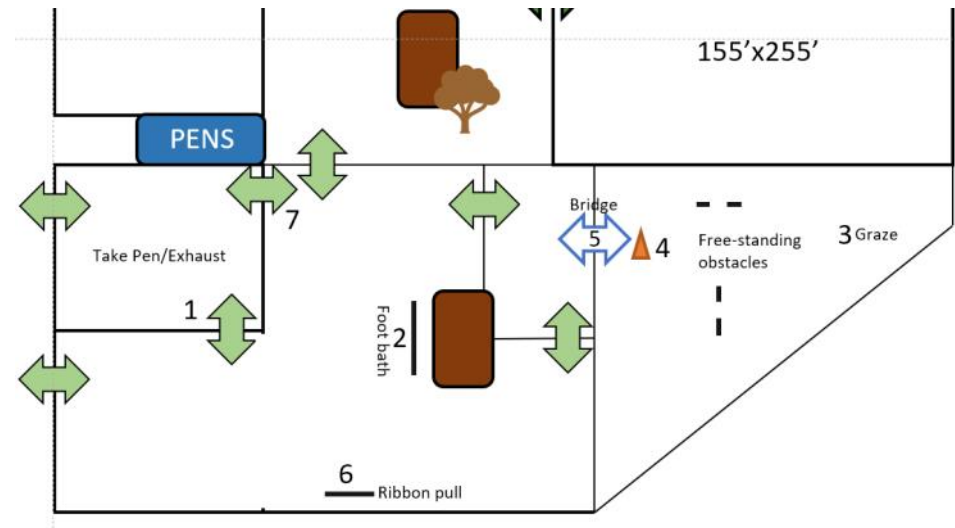


## Herding Ranch Dog

Levels I, II & III. 10 Head per run, limit 10 runs per trial.

Dogs will gather from the 100x100 field (1), Level III will do a gate sort. Stock will then be moved through a foot bath (2), and out to the graze (3). Once the graze is called, the stock will be regathered, taken through a small course (4) (similar to the HTD course), then back across the bridge (5), through a gate, to a chute along the fence. Once there, the handler will perform a ribbon pull (6), then move the stock back to the 100x100 field, and finally, exhaust the stock (7).

Tie Break: Drive, then foot bath, then time



## BMDCA 2020 National Specialty AHBA Herding Trial

May 3, 2020:: **Pre-Entry Fees** \$45.00 per run

**Closing Date:** Entries close at 6:00 pm **April 1, 2020** at the address of the trial secretary.

**Mail Entries with Fees to:** Rachael Toren, Trial Secretary, 2023 Wells Manor Avenue, Gwynn Oak, MD 21207

Make checks payable in US funds to: **Clantyre Show Secretary**

**Circle the appropriate class options. One entry form per dog, please. Use more than one if you think the secretary will be confused. DO NOT FORGET THE WAIVER ON THE REVERSE SIDE**

\_\_\_\_\_ AM Trial    \_\_\_\_\_ PM Trial

HTAD Sheep	Level I	Level II	Level III
HRD (Ranch) Sheep	Level I	Level II	Level III
Herding Capability Test	Junior Herding Dog		

BREED Bernese Mountain Dog		SEX
FULL NAME OF DOG		CALL NAME
REGISTRATION OR TRACKING NUMBER & REGISTRY	DATE OF BIRTH	
DNA PROFILE #	BERNER-GARDE #	
BREEDER		
SIRE		
DAM		
ACTUAL OWNERS		
OWNERS ADDRESS		
NAME OF OWNERS AGENT (IF ANY) AT THE SHOW		
SIGNATURE of owner or his agent duly authorized to make this entry _____		
TELEPHONE # _____		
E-MAIL Address (An acknowledgment or receipt of entry may be sent to this e-mail address): _____		

AHBA WAIVER. READ THIS BEFORE SIGNING. In consideration for participation in an event sanctioned by the American Herding Breed Association (AHBA), I agree to assume all responsibility for any claim, loss or damage, of whatever kind or nature, whether to person or property, which may be caused at or near this event, either directly or indirectly, by me or the dog or dogs I have entered in or brought to this event. I further agree that I will hold the AHBA, its officers, directors, agents and members harmless and defend them from any and all liability for any injury, claim, damage or loss, of whatever kind or nature, whether to person or property, caused at or near this event, whether directly or indirectly, by me or any dog I have entered in or brought to this event. I agree to indemnify the AHBA, its officers, directors, agents and members for any loss, cost or expense including attorneys fees and costs, to which the AHBA, its officers, directors, agents and members might be subject as a result of any claim, suit, loss or damage caused in any way by any act or negligence on my part or on the part of any dog or dogs I have entered in or brought to this event. I acknowledge that while the AHBA may provide sanctioning for this event with regard to the issuing of titles, it does not have and does not exercise control over the conduct of the event or those present.

I CERTIFY and represent that the dog or dogs I have entered in or brought to this event is/are not a hazard to other dogs, other animals, or to people.

I CERTIFY that I am the actual owner of the dog or that I am the duly authorized agent of the actual owners whose name I have entered. In consideration of the acceptance of this entry, I (we) agree to abide by the Rules and Regulations of the AHBA in effect at the time of this Herding Test or Trial or both, and further agree to be bound by the agreement printed above. The entry is submitted on the foregoing representation and agreement.

Signature of Owner &/or Agent: \_\_\_\_\_

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

KEEPSTONE FARM WAIVER. READ THIS BEFORE SIGNING. In consideration that I/we will be participating in an American Herding Breed Association (AHBA) Trial to be held at Keepstone Farm, property owned by Susan Rhoades and Lisa Jett, I/we agree to hold blameless the aforementioned owners of Keepstone Farm, the participating AHBA judges, and the Keepstone Farm staff, from liability in the event of harm to myself, my dog, family, and/or any spectators I have in my company, and damages to or theft of my property, while on the Keepstone Farm property before, during, and after the event. In addition, I/we will agree to pay for any damages to livestock or said property that is caused by me, my dog(s), and/or family/spectators I bring to the trial. I hereby agree to hold the aforementioned parties harmless and blameless and to defend them from any loss, claim, suit or damage that may occur as a result of this event. I/We agree to indemnify the Keepstone Farm owners, participating AHBA judges, and the Keepstone Farm staff, from any loss, damage, claim, or expense, including attorneys fees and costs, which may in any way arise or result from the event. I/We have read the AHBA Herding Program Rules and Guidelines pertaining to this event and agree to abide by said Rules and Guidelines.

### § 3.2-6402. Notice required.

"Under Virginia law, there is no liability for an injury to or death of a participant in an agritourism activity conducted at this agritourism location if such injury or death results from the inherent risks of the agritourism activity. Inherent risks of agritourism activities include, among others, risks of injury inherent to land, equipment, and animals, as well as the potential for you to act in a negligent manner that may contribute to your injury or death. You are assuming the risk of participating in this agritourism activity."

Signature of Owner &/or Agent: \_\_\_\_\_

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