"Permission has been granted by the ABdFC Carting Committee for the holding of these events under the ABdFC Carting Test Regulations."

**Premium List**

**Greater Washington Bouvier des Flandres Club**

**Carting Tests**

Saturday, October 10, 2020 and Sunday, October 11, 2020

The Dude Ranch Pet Resort
11015 Dude Ranch Road
Glen Allen, VA  23059

Judges: Jim & Mary Jo Rasmussen

Entries will be accepted until October 3, 2020 at 5:00 PM (EDT)
All Entries must be received by the Test Secretary via USPS by this date

These Carting Tests will be open to Bouvier des Flandres, dogs of other breeds, and mixed breed dogs, at least twenty-four months of age.

Bouvier des Flandres will be given preference at the close of entries, should entry levels be filled.

There will be a limit of 20 entries for each of these Carting Tests

*Dogs that have earned an AKC Companion Dog title or Preferred Companion Dog title, or the equivalent CKC or UKC title will be credited as passed the control part of the test and go right to the harness and hitch. A copy of the title certificate must be included with the Carting entry form. Dogs entered in Brace will need to do the control part of the test. If the dogs have a CD that does not show they can work safely with another dog in brace.*

**American Bouvier des Flandres Club**

**Carting Test Purpose**

The Carting Tests of the American Bouvier des Flandres Club (ABdFC) are a series of exercises designed to develop and demonstrate the natural abilities of the Bouvier des Flandres in a cart-pulling environment with a handler. While working in a capacity involving hauling, the dog and handler must demonstrate teamwork skills. The Bouvier des Flandres has historically functioned as a carting dog in various capacities and the performance of these exercises is intended to demonstrate skills resulting both from natural ability and training that are applicable to realistic work situations.

Dogs must be willing to work with their handlers and the exercises must be accomplished efficiently. The goal of each handler is to maintain control while encouraging his/her dog’s natural independence; together, they demonstrate teamwork. Since a dog can perform carting work only in cooperation with a person, each handler must demonstrate an understanding of carting work with the dog’s ability, training, and equipment.

**Officers of GWBdFC**

President  Mike Barlous
Vice President  Edmond Blausten
Treasurer  Richard Barron
Secretary  Joan Faltot
Carting Test Chair: Nancy Swenson

18200 Granch Drive
Gordonsville, VA  22942
(540) 832-0708
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Carting Test Secretary: Joan Faltot
8217 Grainfield Road
Severn, MD  21144
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Carting Test Committee:
Mike Barlous
Edmond Blausten
Levels Offered
Novice Draft Dog—NDD
Novice Draft Dog-Veteran—NDD-V
Draft Dog—DD
Draft Dog-Veteran—DD-V
Novice Brace Draft Dog—NBDD
Novice Brace Draft Dog-Veteran—NBDD-V
Brace Draft Dog—BDD
Brace Draft Dog-Veteran—BDD-V

Note: The AKC Parent Club Performance Program only recognizes the NDD, NBDD, DD and BDD titles

Judges:
Jim Rasmussen & Mary Jo Rasmussen
Greater Swiss Mountain Dog Club of America
3152 Holmes Run Rd, Falls Church, VA

Schedule
Check in and Equipment Check 8:00 am
Walk through—8:30 am
Judging will begin 10 minutes after Walk Through
Lunch will be at the judges’ discretion

Awards
Each passing entry will receive a Rosette

Note: Official ABdFC Title Certificates will be mailed by the ABdFC Carting Committee Secretary after the trial.

Test Site
The test will be the baseball field. The freight haul will be conducted on the mowed field, gravel drive way and parking lot with a slight slope. Secured overnight storage is available for the carting equipment. Overnight camping is NOT allowed on site.

Regulations
Entrants are responsible for obtaining a copy of the ABdFC Carting Test Regulations (revised as of April 15, 2018) and being familiar with them.
The ABdFC Carting Test Regulations may be found on the internet at: http://debouvier.org/Carting/ABdFCCartingRegls-2018.pdf

Attention Exhibitors
• No dog belonging wholly or in part to the Carting Test judge or to any member of the judge’s immediate family may be exhibited under the judge.
• Each dog or team must be handled by the same person for all exercises.
• Handlers must provide their own equipment including appropriate harnesses, traces, and tie downs (or other means of securing a load on their particular cart) and carting apparatus appropriate for site conditions. Handlers must bring their own weight. Weight will be verified via scale at the test site.
• Carting apparatus may not carry any advertising signs.
• Equipment may be shared by two or more exhibitors or by two or more dogs owned by the same exhibitor; however, the sharing must not interfere with the safety or the timely completion of the carting test.
• A dog entered in the test must wear a well-fitted buckle collar, or limited slip collar. Tags are allowed.
• The two dogs of a brace team need not be owned by the same person or by the handler.
• Entered dogs must be 24 months old or older on the day of the Carting Test.
• Bitches in season must compete last and must wear panties. When not being tested, bitches in season must be contained in a designated area well away from the male dogs and the official test areas.
• All unentered dogs must be kept from the main test area.
• Entrants participate in an ABdFC Carting Test at their own risk.
• Entrants agree to abide by the ABdFC Carting Test Regulations.
• Please make checks payable to the GWBdFC and mail fee with entry form to the Test Secretary:

Joan Faltot
8217 Grainfield Road,
Severn, MD 21144
Entry Details

- There will be a limit of 20 entries for each of these Carting Tests.
- Entry fees - $35 for each single dog team and $45 for a brace team
- 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 Carting Test entry limit.

Close of Entries
Entries close at 5:00pm (EDT), Saturday, October 3, 2020 at the Carting Test Secretary’s address.
Day of trial entries are not allowed

Emergency Veterinarian Care
Veterinarian Referral & Critical Care, Inc.
1596 Hockett Road
Manakin-Sabot, VA 23103
(804) 784-7822

Nearby Motels That Accept Dogs
The Dude Ranch, on behalf of the various clubs that have events here - specifically entered in 2020 into an agreement with CANDLEWOOD SUITES - Richmond West - Broad Street, Short Pump, Glen Allen for hotel rooms. The Candlewood Suites Richmond West negotiated rate is only $100 per night (plus tax) - a 20-50% reduced rate. And the hotel allows dogs too.
Candlewood Suites Richmond-West --- (804) 364-2000
4120 Tom Leonard Dr, Glen Allen, VA 23060

Other hotels which accept Dogs:
- Holiday Inn Express (9.6 mi) 9933 Mayland Dr., Richmond, VA (804) 934-9300
- Quality Inn & Suites (11.3 mi) 107 N Carter Rd., Ashland, VA (804) 521-2377

Directions to the Trial Site
At The Dude Ranch Pet Resort
11015 Dude Ranch Road, Glen Allen, VA 23059

FROM THE NORTH, SOUTH or EAST:
Get onto I-95 going towards Richmond, VA
Take Exit #84B onto I-295 WEST
Follow Below ...

FROM THE SOUTH, EAST or WEST:
Get onto I-64 going EAST
Take Exit to I-295 EAST
Follow Below ...

Once on I-295;
Take Exit #49A (Rt 33 North).
Go 3.6 miles.
TURN LEFT on Gordon’s Lane (Rt 730) and then
TURN LEFT on Dude Ranch Rd. Continue to the VERY END.
Important COVID-19 Information & Guidelines

Please READ before completing entry.

As of the publication of this premium, GWBdFC expects the carting trial to go on as described.

All trial procedures & requirements will be made in accordance with current Commonwealth & local government guidelines with respect to the Covid-19 pandemic. Adjustments to the guidelines will be made as needed should Commonwealth or locality or AKC require any changes. Any updates to the guidelines will be sent to exhibitors along with their confirmation email. Please provide a legible email address and phone number on your entry so you can be notified of any last minute changes.

Any person who fails to follow these guidelines may result in dismissal from this event. GWBdFC thanks you for following the guidelines and supporting all efforts to provide a safe trial environment for everyone.

Any person attending the trial is subject to the guidelines outlined below.

1. WHEN TO STAY HOME - You should NOT attend the trial if you cannot or will not adhere to the COVID-19 precautions, and/or if you cannot confidently answer YES to the following primary questions on the waiver, which you will be asked to sign each day of the trial.
   - I certify that I do not, to my knowledge, have COVID-19 at the time of attending this Event. Nor have I been in contact with or exposed to any known carrier of Covid-19 within the past 14 days prior to the Event. Nor have I been at any large event gathering where proper social distancing and masks were not enforced within the last 14 days.
   - I also state that I am at the present time free of symptoms of such infection including FEVER, COUGH, SHORTNESS OF BREATH, AND/OR PERSISTENT PAIN/PRESSURE IN THE CHEST.
   - If I have had the virus, I certify that I have had at least two negative tests 14 or more days prior to the Event or have had a positive antibody test, and have been released by government officials and/or health care providers to resume normal activity without limit.

If entered and unable to attend due to changes to the above, please email the trial secretary and you’ll be refunded 50% of your entry fee. Anyone who attends a public gathering must recognize there remains a certain level of risk with contracting COVID-19, despite precautions taken to reduce that risk.

2. FACE MASKS- All exhibitors should provide their own face mask. Face masks must be used when you are unable to maintain a 6-foot distance from others. The judge may designate times during the trial when the face mask must be worn.

3. NO SPECTATORS- will be permitted at the trial these unless they have signed COVID-19 waiver at the check-in area.

4. Dogs must be on leash at all times, except when being judged. Please pick up after your dog and dispose of dog waste in the receptacles provided on the premises.

5. Maintain 6-foot distance from the check-in steward and others in line.

6. The Dude Ranch Pet Resort building will be closed to exhibitors at these Carting Trials. A Portable toilet outdoors will be available at the venue. Exhibitors should bring their own hand sanitizer.

7. CLASS STAGING - The Judge or Steward will communicate where the exhibitors will stand and provide instructions on where to set up carting equipment for inspection and how the freight haul will be conducted.

8. CLASS AWARDS - Qualifying rosettes will be available for pickup in a designated area apart from the ring.

9. LUNCH - will be on your own for all exhibitors. No Food or beverages will be provided at the trial. Please remember to pack your own.

10. TRIAL CANCELLATION- GWBdFC reserves the right to cancel this trial at any time. Should that happen, any checks for trial entry fees will be shredded.

11. Failure to adhere to guidelines and instructions provided by judge or stewards may result in expulsion from the weekend trial without refund as well as possible disciplinary action regarding future trials.

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The following is a copy of the waiver that exhibitors, workers and spectators will be required to sign at the trial:

GW Bd FC policies concerning SARS-CoV-2 / COVID-19 / Coronavirus 2020

WAIVER

I, the undersigned, hereby state that I, to the best of my knowledge, am not infected with the virus SARS-CoV-2 or any other virus known to cause the disease currently referred to COVID-19. I also state that I am free of symptoms of such infection including: FEVER, COUGH, SHORTNESS OF BREATH, AND/OR PERSISTENT PAIN/PRESSURE IN THE CHEST. I have also not to my knowledge been in direct contact with anyone diagnosed with SARS-CoV-2 / COVID-19 / Coronavirus 2020 in the last 14 days. In addition, I am not residing in or spending time in an area where an outbreak is currently declared.

With my signature below and entering the property located at Dude Ranch Pet Resort at 11015 Dude Ranch Rd, Glen Allen, VA 23059, I agree to hold harmless the Greater Washington Bouvier des Flandres Club, its Officers, Board of Directors, Members, Instructors, Volunteer Workers, Seminar Presenters as well as the property owners on which trials and workshops are held (hereinafter “Provider”) in the event of my contracting SARS-CoV-2 / COVID-19 / Coronavirus 2020 or any symptoms or conditions related to the listed conditions.
I also hereby agree to contact PROVIDER as shown below if I am diagnosed or show symptoms of SARS-CoV-2 / COVID-19 / Coronavirus 2020 within 14 days of my signature date. The designated contact for PROVIDER is Joan Faltot who can be contacted by email at jd6bouv@verizon.net or by phone at 301-655-3876.

I have read and understood all of the afore described policies concerning SARS-CoV-2 / COVID-19 / Coronavirus 2020 and agree to abide by all stated policies in addition to Local, Commonwealth and Federal Guidelines concerning the above listed conditions.

Finally, I agree to hold harmless PROVIDER from any claims or loss, injury or death that may be alleged to have been caused directly or indirectly to myself or my dog(s) while participating in the sport of Dog Obedience, Rally, Agility, Flyball, Tracking, FastCAT, Carting, Conformation, Nosework or other GWBdFC offered dog-sport activities. I personally assume all responsibility and liability when entering the PROVIDER location(s) for whatever purpose at my own risk. I hereby warrant that the dog(s) I will train or exhibit are sound, physically and temperamentally, and pose no threat to any other person or dog.

I agree that any cause of action, controversy or claim arising out of or related to the entry, exhibition or attendance at any PROVIDER event between PROVIDER and myself, 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.

Signature:_________________________ Date(s):______________

Print Name: ____________________________________________

Email:________________________________________

Phone:________________________________________
Official Entry Form
Greater Washington Bouvier des Flandres Club Carting Test

Entries close at 5:00pm (EDT), Saturday, October 3, 2020

☐ October 10, 2020  ☐ October 11, 2020

Entry Fee:  $35 each dog each class plus $10 second dog of brace,
Entries Close: October 3, 2020
Mail Entries To: Joan Faltot
8217 Grainfield Road, Severn, MD  21144
Make checks payable to: GWBdFC

Please type or print clearly and include your telephone number and e-mail address for notification

Novice ☐  Draft Dog ☐  ~  Individual ☐  Veterans ☐  Brace ☐
(For Brace entry complete a form for second dog)
☐ This Brace dog is already titled in the individual class
☐ The entered dog has a CD, PCD, or equivalent
   (enclose copy of certificate)
Width of Cart __________
Weight of Dog _________  Freight Haul Weight _________

Registered Name: ________________________________
Registry: __________ Registration No. ________________
Breed if Other than Bouvier: _______________________
Date of Birth: _______________ Sex: ________________
Sire: ____________________________
Dam: ____________________________
Breeder: _________________________
Owner: __________________________
Handler: _________________________
Owner’s Address: _______________________
Phone: ______________  E-mail: _______________________

Entry form must be signed to be a valid entry

I understand that I enter my dog in this ABdFC Carting Test at my own risk. I have read the current ABdFC Carting Test Regulations and understand them. I agree to abide by the ABdFC Carting Test Regulations. (Carting test regulations are available at the ABdFC Web Site.) I certify and represent that 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.

I also 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 my dog that accompanies me in relationship to this entry.

In consideration of the acceptance of any entry and the opportunity to participate in this event, I agree to hold harmless and indemnify the American Bouvier des Flandres Club (ABdFC) and the event giving club (Greater Washington Bouvier des Flandres Club), their members, officers and agents, the owner and/or lessee of the premises (The Dude Ranch Pet Resort and its assigns), any provider of services at this event, any employees or volunteers, and any Carting judge judging at this event from any claim for loss, damage or injury alleged to have been caused directly or indirectly by my actions or by the actions of my dog in relationship to this event. 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 my dog in relationship to this event, whether the claims are made by third parties or by myself.

In addition, I agree to assume the sole responsibility for any loss, damage, or injury (including death) to myself or to my 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 my 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.

In signing this entry, you also agree to abide by the COVID-19 Information & Guidelines included this premium.

Signature: ________________________________
Date: ________________________________

No Entry will be accepted without a signed Agreement