



**Premium List
American Bouvier
des Flandres Club
2011 National Specialty**

Two Carting Tests

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

**October 4, 2011 Test
Judge: Ruth Jayson**

**October 5, 2011 Test
Judge: Julie Cramer**

**Nestle Purina Farm
Gray Summit, MO**

Entries will be accepted until September 14, 2011
All Entries must be received by the Test Secretary by this date

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

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

There will be a limit of 15 entries for each of these Carting Tests

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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.

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-Veterans—NBDD-V

Brace Draft Dog—BDD
Brace Draft Dog-Veterans—BDD-V

Judges

Ruth Jayson—Tuesday, October 4, 2011
Bouvier des Flandres
Eveleth, MN 55734-4006

Julie Cramer—Wednesday, October 5, 2011
Bouvier des Flandres
Oostburg, WI 53070-1631

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

Rosette and a pair of 15 oz. crystal mugs to all qualifying teams

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

Refreshments & Lunch

Food and Beverages will be available at Nestle Purina Farms and surrounding restaurant establishments. No food or beverages will be provided at the Test Site. Bring water for yourself and your dogs.

Entry Details

- There will be a limit of 15 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.

If more than 15 entries are received, they will be prioritized per the following order:

1. Untitled Bouviers
2. Titled Bouviers
3. Untitled Giant Schnauzers
4. Titled Giant Schnauzers
5. Untitled other breeds and mixed breeds
6. Titled other breeds and mixed breeds

Note that “titled” means titled in the entered class.

Close of Entries

Entries close at 5:00pm, Central Daylight Time, Wednesday, September 14, 2011 at the Carting Test Secretary's address, after which time entries cannot be accepted, canceled or altered.

Regulations

Entrants are responsible for obtaining a printed copy of the ABdFC Carting Test Regulations (revised as of February 2011) and being familiar with them.

The ABdFC Carting Test Regulations may be downloaded from the ABdFC web site at [www.http://bouvier.org](http://bouvier.org) at no charge or ordered through the ABdFC Carting Committee Chairman, Ann Schallert, 301 Day Drive, St. Louis, MO 63135-2253, 314-524-1376, ankat@ix.netcom.com

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 rig) and carting apparatus appropriate for site conditions. Handlers must bring their own weight. Weight will be verified via scale at the test site.
- **Note: ABdFC has two carts available for use on a first come basis (must be reserved in advance). You must provide your own harness.**
- 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 plain buckle collar, or limited slip collar.
- 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.
- Please make checks payable to the **ABdFC** and mail fee with entry form to the Test Secretary:

Kate Schallert
301 Day Drive
St. Louis, MO 63135-2253

- Bitches in season must compete only after all other dogs are judged. 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 outside and away 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.

TEST SITE TERRAIN

The obstacle portion of the course will be conducted on grass with the freight haul beginning and ending there and including pavement, grass, hill, sidewalks and some gravel areas. The freight hall may potentially have traffic.

We welcome spectators at this event!

Please keep all unentered dogs outside and away from the main test area.

Please remember to pick up after your dog(s).

Official Entry Form
American Bouvier des Flandres Club Carting Test
 October 4, 2011 October 5, 2011

Entry Fee: *\$35 each dog each class plus \$10 second dog of brace,*

Entries Close: September 14, 2011

Mail Entries To: Kate Schallert

301 Day Drive, St. Louis, MO 63135-2253

Make checks payable to: ABdFC

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

Novice Draft Dog Draft Dog ~ Individual Veterans Brace
(For Brace entry complete a form for second dog)

This dog is already titled in the entered class

Width of Cart _____

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: _____

No Entry will be accepted without a signed Agreement

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 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.

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 the dog(s) that accompany 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, their members, officers and agents, the owner and or leaser of the premises, 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 the 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 the dog in relationship in 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 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.

Signature: _____

Date: _____