# Greater Swiss Mountain Dog Club of America, Inc.

# **Four** Draft Tests in **Two** Days

Hosted by

Southbound Greater Swiss Mountain Dog Club



A.H. Stephens State Park Crawfordville, Georgia

Friday, October 25, 2019 Two Trials Saturday, October 26, 2019 Two Trials

Test hours for both A & B trials begin at 7:00 AM on Friday and Saturday, and will continue until all teams have completed. There will be two rings for concurrent trials but only one team will be on a maneuvering course at a given time.

Freight Hauls for Test A and B entrants may be combined.

Teams entering both trials on a single day will be accommodated to allow adequate time for dogs to recover between exercises.

All judging will be outdoors.

Entries close at 5:00 PM, Friday, October 11, 2019, at the Test Secretary's address or online entry (preferred), after which time entries cannot be accepted, canceled, or submitted except as provided in Chapter 11, Section 6 of the Dog Show Rules

Draft Test Secretary
Michelle Hinshaw
16201 NW 162<sup>nd</sup> Terr
Williston, FL 32696
(352)355-7510
michellehinshaw@gmail.com

#### **GSMDCA OFFICERS**

Kelly Nevin Lovley President

Allison Allen 1st Vice President
Megan Westenmeyer 2nd Vice President
Anna Wallace Recording Secretary

Liz Coit Treasurer

#### **Board of Directors**

Laurie Carmody Jennie Chen Sarah Jensen Melissa Jarriel Mike Rusk Chloe Sienkewicz

# DRAFT TEST COMMITTEE Draft Test Chairperson

Melissa Jarriel

## **Draft Test Secretary**

Michelle Hinshaw
16201 NW 162<sup>nd</sup> Terr
Williston, FL
(352)355-7510
michellehinshaw@gmail.com

## **Additional Draft Committee Member**

Faye Erickson

# DRAFT TEST JUDGES Friday Test A and Saturday Test B

Cilla Phillips, 451 Persimmon Fork Rd, Blythewood, SC 29016 Melissa Jarriel, 1717 Dibble Rd SW, Aiken, SC 29801

# Friday Test B and Saturday Test A

Pam Capelli, 41 Gardners Grove Road, Belmont, NH 03220 Ron Capelli, 41 Gardners Grove Road, Belmont, NH 03220

### **VETERINARIAN**

Augusta Animal Emergency 208 Hudson Trace, Augusta, GA 30907 Phone: 706-733-7458

HUMAN HOSPITAL
Wills Memorial Hospital
120 Gordon Street, Washington, GA 30673
706-678-9285

**Definitions**: The term "dog" applies to dogs of both sexes. The term "team" means a handler and his/her dog. All terms and instructions and regulations that refer to a single dog also apply to a pair of dogs working together unless otherwise noted.

# IMPORTANT DETAILS ACCOMMODATIONS

LODGING

A.H. Stephens Group Camp Cabins and Lodges
Reservations can be made at www.swissypalooza.weebly.com through Southbound GSMDC.

Jameson Inn 2252 S Main St Greensboro, GA 30642

White Columns Inn 1890 Washington Road Thomson, GA 30824

All dogs in rooms "must" be crated with plastic under crates. Do not wash dogs in rooms. Before leaving, please clean your room; pick up the grounds after exercising your dogs

\*\*\*\*\*

RV PARKING
A.H. Stephens State Park
http://gastateparks.org/AHStephens

\*\*\*\*\*

### **ENTRY INFORMATION**

The entry fee is \$35.00 per single-dog team, \$40 per brace.

**Entry is limited to 10 teams for each test on Friday and Saturday**, whether entered in Novice Draft, Open Draft or Brace Draft. For teams only entered in one test per day, the Secretary will assign which test (A or B) works best for scheduling.

Bitches in season may compete in one test on Saturday ONLY, after all male dogs have completed the entire test (including the freight haul). Bitches in season must be contained inside a cabin or outside the group camp area until all male dogs have completed the entire test.

If more than 20 entries are received for Friday or Saturday, a random drawing will be held within 48 hours of the closing time. Although it is the policy of the GSMDCA to invite and encourage any dog to enter a GSMDCA draft test, GSMDs will be given preference over other breeds. All entrants will be notified by email of their entry status. Alternates will also be drawn and may compete in the absence of regular entries.

Entries close on Friday, October 11, 2019, at 5:00 pm.
Online entries and payments are preferred. See form at Swissypalooza.weebly.com.

For mailed entries, please type or print legibly when filling out the entry form and remember to include your telephone number and e-mail address. Checks should be made payable to Southbound GSMD Club. Mail entry fee and completed entry form to:

#### Michelle Hinshaw, 16201 NW 162nd Terr, Williston, FL 32696

The Draft Test Secretary must be advised of plans to advance a dog or brace to Open Class no later than 7:00 a.m. of the day of the show in question.

Entered dogs must be 18 months or older on the day of the draft test.

Bitches in season may compete in one test on Saturday ONLY, after all male dogs have completed the entire test (including the freight haul). Bitches in season must be contained inside a cabin or outside the group camp area until all male dogs have completed the entire test. Please note on your entry whether your bitch might be in season so the run order can be arranged in advance.

No dogs belonging wholly or in part to a judge, or to any member of the judge's immediate family, may compete in a test under that judge. If a conflict exists, please indicate which judge or judges the dog is not eligible to compete under so the Secretary can assign the team to the appropriate test.

The Basic Control Exercise shall be waived for dogs that have earned an AKC Companion Dog (CD) title IF a copy of the CD title certificate is sent with the entry form. In the event the CD requirements were met, but the title certificate has not yet been received, the entrant may so state on the form and in a separate letter attached to the entry. If the dog passes the draft test, the NDD or DD title and certificate will be withheld until after the Draft Work Committee (DWC) Chairman receives a copy of the CD title certificate.

Handlers must provide the draft rig. Any of the following draft rigs may be used: cart, wagon, sled, toboggan, or travois. Each of these must be equipped so that the draft rig cannot run up on the dog when hauling downhill.

The handler selects and provides appropriate freight load for the apparatus and the dog. Entrants are responsible for obtaining the GSMDCA Draft Test Regulations and being familiar with them. Regulations are available on the GSMDCA web site (www.gsmdca.org) or from Jim Rasmussen, DWC Chairman. Please send \$2.00 (to cover the cost of shipping & handling) to Jim Rasmussen, 3153 Holmes Run Road, Falls Church, VA 22042.

#### **Address/Directions**

A.H. Stephens State Park 456 Alexander Street NW Crawfordville, GA 30631 Taliaferro County

Take I-20 exit #148. Go 2 miles and cross the junction of Hwy. 22 and Hwy. 278. Turn right onto MLK Jr. Dr. Go 1 mile, then turn left onto Alexander Street. Follow signs to Group Camp area.

#### **SCHEDULE**

7:00 am Fri and Sat Entrants Arrive/Equipment Check Immediately following Course Review Immediately following Judging Begins

#### LUNCH

See Swissypalooza.weebly.com for meal reservation form

#### **PARKING**

A \$5 parking tag is required and covers all days of the event. This can be purchased at the Swissypalooza Check-In Table.

#### **TEST SITE**

Basic control, maneuvering, and the freight haul will be held in the A.H. Stephens Group Camp. Maneuvering course is on a level grass field. Freight haul will be on dirt, grass, and pine needle surfaces within the group camp and may include wood bridges.

#### **PRIZES**

All participating entrants will receive a ring prize and each dog earning a title will receive an award.

### **SPECTATORS**

Spectators are welcome at this event; however, park rules require anyone entering the Group Camp Area to be registered with the Southbound GSMD Club and a parking pass must be obtained and displayed. Please see Swissypalooza website for details.

~~~

Southbound Greater Swiss Mountain Dog Club is proud to be hosting this Draft Trial.

Our deepest gratitude goes to

A. H. STEPHENS STATE PARK

# Swissypalooza 2019 Draft Test Entry Form

Draft Test Notice: The Draft Tests will be held on October 25<sup>th</sup> and 26th, 2019. Entries close for the Draft Tests on 10/11/19 at 5:00 PM after which time entries cannot be accepted, cancelled, or substituted except as specifically allowed in the GSMDCA Draft Test Regulations. The dog's registered name should include any AKC or GSMDCA titles earned. Mail the Draft Test Entry Form and check or money order (payable to Southbound GSMD Club) to:

Swissypalooza Draft Trial c/o Michelle Hinshaw, 16201 NW 162nd Terr, Williston, FL 32696

#### PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY 1 Test Entry for: Friday 2 Tests | Saturday 1 Test 2 Tests Dog's Call Name: Breed: Birthdate: Registration #: Place of Birth: DUSA DCanada DOther: ΠМ Registered Name: Breeder(s): \*Intact: **Y** Sire: Dam: Owner(s): Address: Brace Partner's Call Name: Agent: \$35 Single-Dog Team Entering (Check all that apply for this dog) **Entry Fees Per Test:** \$40 Brace Draft Trial: Novice Open ☐ Novice Brace ☐ Open Brace AGREEMENT I 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 ("the dog") that accompanies me in relationship to this entry. 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 Greater Swiss Mountain Dog Club of America (GSMDCA) and the event-giving club or group of individuals, their members, officers, and agents; the owner and/or lessor of the premises; any provider of services at this event; any employees or volunteers of the parties listed here, and any Draft Judge (or other 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. Additionally, 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 eve nt. 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. I AGREE THAT ANY CAUSE OF ACTION, CONTROVERSY OR CLAIM ARISING OUT OF OR RELATED TO THE ENTRY, EXHIBITION OR ATTENDANCE AT THE EVENT SHALL BE SETTLED BY ARBITRATION PURSUANT TO THE APPLICABLE RULES OF THE AMERICAN ARBITRATON ASSOCIATION. HOWEVER, PRIOR TO ARBITRATION ALL APPLI- CABLE GSMDCA BYLAWS, RULES, REGULATIONS AND PROCEDURES MUST FIRST BE FOLLOWED AS SET FORTH IN THE GSMDCA CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS, RULES, REGULATIONS, PUBLISHED POLICIES AND GUIDELINES. In consideration of the acceptance of this entry, I agree to abide by rules and regulations of the Greater Swiss Mountain Dog Club of America (GSMDCA) in effect at the time of these GSMDCA Draft Tests and other events and by any additional rules appearing in the premium list for these events. 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. **Email Address:**

Date:

Signature:

<sup>\*</sup>Bitches in season are allowed to compete in 1 test on Sat Only after all males have completed testing. Run order will be arranged accordingly.