



# BERNESE MOUNTAIN DOG CLUB OF THE ROCKIES

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## ROCKIES DRAFT RETREAT 2013



The Rockies Draft Retreat 2013 is sponsored by the Bernese Mountain Dog Club of the Rockies on **Sunday, August 25 in a new, one-day format**. The intent of the Retreat is to promote draft work and to offer a place where people of different experience levels can get together to train with their dogs, learn tips and tricks, hone their skills, and ultimately prepare for a BMDCA Draft Test.

Training will consist of a single, all-levels track with options that allow the handler to focus on their particular areas of interest. Each session will be geared for a range of handlers with little or no experience, dogs who have never been hooked up to a cart, or teams that just starting out and want to learn a solid foundation of skills; as well as towards dogs and handlers with some experience, who are able to negotiate basic obstacles, or are tuning up and preparing for upcoming BMDCA Draft Tests. Instruction will be provided by BMDCA Draft Judges and Draft Title holders.

We're very pleased to say that past many of our past graduates are participating in draft tests and several have earned multiple draft titles, including both Advanced and Master levels. Whether you're interested in Draft as a fun game to play with your dog, or want to begin competing, the retreat will put you on the fast track to success!

## Dates and Location

- Dates:** Sunday, August 25, 2013. **New one-day format!**
- Location:** Boulder County Fairgrounds, 9595 Nelson Road, Longmont, CO 80501  
We will be in the picnic pavillion area in the Southwest corner of the park, near the intersection of Hover Road and Nelson Road. Please park in the South Parking Lot. for additional information about the park, please see: <http://www.bouldercounty.org/os/parks/pages/fairgrounds.aspx>.
- Notes:** Open to all breeds. A limited number of draft carts and harnesses will be available for participants to use during practice and demonstrations.

## Directions

From I-25 North of Denver, take exit 240 for CO-199 West towards Longmont. Turn left onto CO-119 and follow it for 7.5 miles. Turn right onto Nelson Road and follow it for 0.5 miles. Turn right into the park onto Fairgrounds Lane. Parking will be on your right and the picnic area will be on your left.

## Accommodations

Camping is available on-site (see <http://www.bouldercounty.org/os/events/pages/camping.aspx> for details). Local dog-friendly hotels are available nearby: <http://hotels.petswelcome.com/colorado/longmont>

## Costs

Includes all instruction and practice sessions, and breakfast, lunch, and beverages on-site. An optional group cookout will follow the training sessions.

**\$50 per handler**  
**\$10 per person for the cookout**

Handlers may bring more than one dog but will be subject to the time constraints of the session schedule, so not all dogs may get to perform all exercises.

## Agenda

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| • 7:30 AM – 8:00 AM   | Arrival/Breakfast  |
| • 8:00 AM – 8:30 AM   | Welcome and Introductions  |
| • 8:30 AM – 8:45 AM   | Break  |
| • 8:45 AM – 10:15 AM  | Session 1 - Multiple training stations of the handler's choosing |
| • 10:15 AM – 10:30 AM | Break  |
| • 10:30 AM – 12:00 PM | Session 2 - Multiple training stations of the handler's choosing |
| • 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM  | Lunch  |
| • 1:00 PM – 2:30 PM   | Session 3 - Draft Test Overview and Walkthrough, Q&A             |
| • 2:30 PM – 2:45 PM   | Break  |
| • 2:45 PM – 4:15 PM   | Session 4 - Multiple training stations of the handler's choosing |
| • 4:15 PM – 4:30 PM   | Break  |
| • 4:30 PM – 5:30 PM   | Session 5 - Multiple training stations of the handler's choosing |
| • 5:30 PM – 8:30 PM   | Optional Group Cookout (on-site)                                 |

# Registration Form

Bernese Mountain Dog Club of the Rockies

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Sunday, August 25

Name of Handler: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Dog 1: \_\_\_\_\_ Breed: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Dog 2: \_\_\_\_\_ Breed: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Additional person w/out dog: \_\_\_\_\_

**Fees:**

# of Handlers (w/ one or more dogs):	_____	Cost: \$50.00	Total: _____
# of people for the group cookout	_____	Cost: \$10.00	Total: _____

TOTAL ENCLOSED: \_\_\_\_\_

Notes/Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please make checks payable to BMDCR.**

**Send completed registration form and payment by NO LATER THAN Friday, August 16, 2013.**

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