

2019 Newfoundland Club of America
Back to Back Draft Test and Advanced Draft Test



Hosted by North Central Newfoundland Club
Frankenmuth, Michigan
April 29-30, 2019
Heritage Park
Frankenmuth, Michigan

Judges

Mark Iken, Illinois (Monday & Tuesday Test)
Gary Walker, Missouri (Monday & Tuesday Test)

ENTRY INFORMATION

The entry fee is **\$45.00, lunch included**, for individual dogs or for a team of dogs. A complete entry form (for each dog), along with a **copy** of the dog's American Kennel Club/Canadian Kennel Club registration and the applicable fees (checks payable to North Central Newfoundland Club) should be sent to:

Ashley Gaer

Draft Test Secretary

**2336 N Central Park Ave
Chicago, IL 60647**

Limited Entries

Each test is limited to 15 entries with six (6) spots reserved for DDX entries. However, if the DDX spots are not filled, they will be opened to DD and TDD entries.

Earliest postmark for entries from NCA Members is **Tuesday, March 5, 2019**

Earliest postmark for All Other Entries is **Friday, March 15, 2019**

Closing Date: **Wednesday, April 10, 2019 7p CT** at the home of the Test Secretary

Any entries received with a postmark prior to March 5th for NCA members and March 15th for all others, will be returned to the sender. The available entry slots will be filled according to the postmark date. If the number of entries with the same date exceeds the number of slots available, a drawing will take place to fill the vacancies and determine the alternates. All additional entries received after the entries fill will be placed on an alternate list by order of postmarks. If an opening should occur after entries fill, an alternate will be notified immediately.

Entries will be prioritized per the following order until the limit is reached each day.

- 1st. Untitled Newfoundlands
- 2nd Titled Newfoundlands*

*Please note: "titled" means titled in the entered class

The responsibility for verifying that an entry is received by the test secretary rests solely on the entrant. An entrant may request confirmation of receipt of an entry in one of the following ways:

- Enclosing a self-addressed, stamped postcard for the Secretary to return.
- Supplying an e-mail address for verification.

Close of Entries

Entries close at 7:00 P.M. on **Wednesday, APRIL 10, 2019**. Again, entries must be sent with entry fees and copies of American Kennel Club/Canadian Kennel Club registrations to:

Ashley Gaer, Draft Test Secretary
2336 N Central Park Ave, Chicago, IL 60647

CONFIRMATION LETTERS & EXHIBITOR NUMBERS WILL BE E-MAILED TO ENTRANTS THAT INCLUDE E-MAIL ADDRESSES ON THEIR ENTRY FORMS.
Those without e-mail will receive their exhibitor numbers and test information via US Mail.

More Than One Entry

If you wish to enter more than one dog, please copy the entry form (**front and back**) and mail to the Test Secretary.

Exhibitors Please Note! ONLINE ENTRY INFORMATION

The Newfoundland Club of America and North Central Newfoundland Club is utilizing NCA's new online registration program for this event. Online registration is **OPTIONAL**. Entries for this test will be accepted through the NCA's online registration service at: <https://www.ncanews.org/wdc/> as well as through the traditional paper method. Entries submitted electronically will be assigned a postmark with the same date the entry is entered. Entries submitted by mail will be assigned the postmark given as per usual. Entries submitted electronically and via post will be considered equally in date order for slots in the test. NCA members will have the same early-entry window with both paper entry and electronic entry. If you are not a member of the NCA you will be prompted to provide the same contact information that you would provide on a paper entry once entries are open to non-NCA members. You will be prompted to enter or verify your dog's information and you will have the opportunity to upload an image of your dog's registration certificate. Please have an electronic version of your dog's registration form ready for upload before you begin the online entry process. **If you experience any problems please contact Dan Zimmerman, at dan@dogfishsoftware.com.**

JUDGES

Monday and Tuesday:

Mark Iken...8822 Rosewood Hills, Edwardsville, IL 62025-7038

Gary Walker.....3194 Oakwood Dr, Napoleon, MO 64074-9146

REGULATIONS

Dogs have to be at least 18 months of age to enter a Draft Test. The revised wording in the Draft Test Regulations is as follows: "The NCA Draft Tests will be open to purebred Newfoundland dogs at least eighteen months of age. The word "dog" in the NCA Draft Test Regulations refers to either sex. All entered dogs must have an AKC registration number, ILP or PAL number, foreign registration number, or AKC or foreign litter number." Dogs have to be at least 18 months of age to enter an Advanced Draft Test. The wording in the Advanced Draft Test Regulations is as follows: "The NCA Advanced Draft Tests will be open to purebred Newfoundland dogs at least eighteen months of age who have earned an NCA DD or TDD title. The word "dog" in the NCA Advanced Draft Test Regulations refers to either sex. All entered dogs must have an AKC registration number, ILP or PAL number, foreign registration number, or AKC or Foreign litter number."

Changing to Team Division: A change of entry from individual to Team Division must be submitted to the Test Secretary by 6:00 PM the night before the test in accordance with the Draft Test Regulations.

Bitches In Season

Bitches in season may participate in NCA Draft Tests. If the Basic Control exercises are performed far removed from the other exercises, bitches in season may perform these exercises after the last male dog has finished and before the other exercises begin. Otherwise, bitches in season must compete only after all male dogs are judged. When not being tested, bitches in season must be contained in a designated area well away from male dogs and the official test areas. At least one other bitch must be available to perform the group exercises with any bitches in season. Bitches that have had an ovarian sparing spay are required to be tested as "Bitches in Season".

Dogs in Designated Test Areas

Spectators are encouraged to leave un-entered dogs at home. Un-entered dogs, and those that are not being tested at the time are not permitted in the official Draft Test Areas. As specified in the Draft Test Regulations, 90 minutes before the start of judging, handlers and dogs (except bitches in season) are allowed a 30-minute period to familiarize themselves with the test areas. They may walk the course with their dogs on lead, but not hitched to an apparatus. Handlers will not be permitted to walk the Maneuvering or Distance Freight Haul Courses with their dogs except during this time period. When not being tested, bitches in season must be contained in a designated area away from the official test areas.

Equipment

Each exhibitor is responsible for providing his/her own draft test equipment.

Advanced Draft Test freight load will consist of a 30 lb bag of dog food. Dimensions are roughly 24Lx20Wx5H.



The draft test is sanctioned by the Working Dog Committee of the Newfoundland Club of America (NCA) and sponsored by the North Central Newfoundland Club (NCNC). Judging will be conducted under the approved NCA Draft Test Regulations revised March 2018, effective July 1, 2018 as available on the NCA website.

A copy of the Draft Test Regulations may also be obtained for \$5.00 (check payable to The Newfoundland Club of America) by writing to the Publications Secretary of the Working Dog Committee (WDC) of the Newfoundland Club of America:

Dwight Gorsuch
6282 Burris Rd
Rock Hall, MD 21661

The North Central Newfoundland Club has been granted permission to hold this Draft Test by the Working Dog Committee of the Newfoundland Club of America.

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Veterinarian On Call:

Frankenmuth- Birch Run Veterinary Hospital

9339 South Gera Road
Birch Run, MI 48734
989-652-6689

After Hours Emergencies

1221 Titabawassee
Saginaw, MI
989-752-1960

Trophies and Exhibitor Gifts

Each Exhibitor will receive a Lupine Lead and collar, commemorating the 2019 NCA Draft Test. Qualifiers will receive Outward Hound dog backpacks, generously donated by the CMO of Outward Hound. North Central Newfoundland Club and the committee thank Outward Hound for this donation!

Donations

Donations for this test (monetary and/or Silent Auction items) will be gratefully accepted and acknowledged in the catalog if received by the Test Secretary by the test closing date, Wednesday, April 10, 2019. Please contact Tara Bertrand (droolyrsx3@yahoo.com) or Chuck Holtzen (chsail02@gmail.com) with any questions or to make arrangements to deliver/pick-up auction items.

Catalog Advertising

Page Size: Full Page Cost: \$20.00

Page Size: Half Page Cost: \$10.00

Send camera-ready ads and payment to the Test Secretary by Wednesday, April 10th, the test closing date.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

MONDAY, April 29th & TUESDAY, April 30th

Note: Schedule may be modified based on number of entrants

- 7:00 AM** Breakfast from Honey B's at the Nickless Pavilion
- 7:15-7:45 AM** Exhibitor Check-In at the Pavilion
- 7:45-8:30 AM** Draft Dog (DD) Test Course Walk-Through per Draft Test Regulations
Freight Haul Walk-Through
Judges Meeting with DD Exhibitors
Judges Meeting with DD Stewards
- 9:00 AM** DD Test begins.

Presentation of DD Awards following completion of DD Test
- To Follow** Maneuvering Course Re-Set
Advanced Draft Test (DDX) Course Walk-Through per Draft Test Regulations.
Judges Meeting with DDX Exhibitors
Judges Meeting with DDX Stewards

DDX Test begins at the judges' direction

Presentation of DDX Awards following completion of DDX Test

Draft Test Concludes following Awards.

Lunch will be provided at the Pavilion.

Per NCA Draft Regulations, handlers must check in with the Test Secretary during the advertised check in time. If a handler is not present during the advertised check in time, they will not be judged that day. If an alternate list exists, an entrant from the alternate list will be assigned the absent handler's position.

OVERNIGHT ACCOMMODATIONS

Accommodations are available at the host hotel for the 2019 National Specialty, the Bavarian Inn Lodge, Frankenmuth, Michigan, as well as other nearby hotels/motels in the village of Frankenmuth. For details and contact information please see the National Specialty website: www.ncanationalspecialty.org

DIRECTIONS TO THE TEST SITE

The test site is located just across from the host hotel. Please see the National Specialty packet for directions or the National Specialty website: <http://www.ncanationalspecialty.org>.

ABOUT THE TEST SITE

Heritage Park, Nickless Pavillion, Frankenmuth, Michigan *Map on Page 13 of this Premium*

The Nickless Pavilion is within Heritage Park and is a reasonable walk across from the host hotel and past the Show Ring and Kern Pavilion.

The **STAGING AREA** is a large covered pavilion with picnic tables and adequate cover for both exhibitors and dogs.

The **BASIC CONTROL** exercises will take place on an adjacent & level grassy area next to the staging area and will be enclosed by gating.

HARNESS/HITCHING/BASIC COMMAND exercises will take place in a marked grassy area near the pavilion.

The **MANEUVERING COURSE** will be set up in an adjacent grassy area and will utilize existing trees, park structures and other theme-related props to delineate the course. The course will be marked with landscaping chalk; to provide for a change in surface the course will go through grass, dirt pathways and asphalt walking path.

The **FREIGHT LOAD and OUT OF SIGHT** will take place beside the pavilion with an adjacent building providing a blind for the Out-of-Sight exercise.

The **FREIGHT HAUL** will utilize an existing 1-mile-long paved path that goes around the perimeter of the park. The terrain is basically level but the course will leave the path in a few places to provide short uphill and downhill sections and change in footing. The path follows the river for approximately half of its distance and is tree-lined much of the way. In addition to the water, natural distractions will likely include water fowl, squirrels, and area residents who may utilize the park facilities during the test.



Newfoundland Club of America Working Test Entry Form

Test Location: Heritage Park, Nickless Pavilion, Frankenmuth MI
Test Giving Club: North Central Newfoundland Club
Date: April 29-30, 2019

DD TDD DDX TDDX This entry is a requal. (Team entries should complete a separate entry sheet for each dog on the team)

Entries Close At: 7 pm, On: April 10, 2019. Entries must be received by the test secretary, by mail, by the closing date and time. Entries not received by the closing date and time will not be accepted even if postmarked before this date.

Send entries with \$ 45 entry fee payable to North Central Newfoundland Club.
Return entries to the Test Secretary: Ashley Gaer—2336 N Central Park Ave, Chicago IL 60647

Please print legibly.

Information on this form will be used for record keeping and to generate a certificate of qualification should the dog and handler pass.

Attach a current copy of this dogs AKC Registration

Owner' Name(s): _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Full Name of Dog: _____

AKC/CKC/ILP/PAL#: _____ Date of Birth: _____ Sex: _____

Sire: _____

Dam: _____

Breeder (s): _____ Call Name: _____

Handler's Name: _____

Entry Form Must Be Signed To Be A Valid Entry

I understand that I enter my dog in this NCA Working Test at my own risk. I have read the Test Regulations and understand them. I agree to abide by the Test Regulations, the NCA Constitution and By-Laws, and further agree to be bound by the Entry Agreement included in the premium for this test.

Signature _____ Date: _____
(Signature of Owner/Agent duly authorized to make this entry)

Day Phone (____) _____ Home Phone(____) _____

E-Mail _____ NCA Member: YES NO

NCA WORKING EVENT AGREEMENT

I (we) acknowledge that the NCA test regulations have been made available to me (us) and that I am (we are) familiar with their contents. I (we) agree that the club holding this event has the right to refuse this entry for cause which the club shall deem to be sufficient. I (we) agree that I (we) will uphold the AKC Code of Sportsmanship, the NCA Code of Ethics, and (if applicable) the NCA Judges Code of Ethics. In consideration of the acceptance of this entry and of the holding of this event and of the opportunity to have the dog judged and to win ribbons or trophies, I (we) agree to hold this club, its members, directors, governors, officers, agents, superintendents, or test secretary and the owner or lessor of the premises or grounds and the employees of the aforementioned parties, harmless from any claim for loss or injury which may be alleged to have been caused directly or indirectly to any person or thing by the act of this dog while in or upon the test premises or grounds or near any entrance thereto, and I (we) personally assume all responsibility and liability for such claim; and I (we) further agree to hold the aforementioned parties harmless from any claim or loss of the dog by disappearance, theft, damage or injury, be caused or alleged to be caused by the negligence of the club or any of the parties aforementioned, or by the negligence of any other person or any other causes. I (we) agree that any violation of the AKC Code of Sportsmanship, the NCA Code of Ethics and/or the Judges Code of Ethics will be handled pursuant to the Grievance policies listed on the NCA website. I (we) hereby assume the sole responsibility for and agree to indemnify and save the aforementioned parties harmless from any and all loss and expense (including legal fees) by reason of the liability imposed by law upon any of the aforementioned parties for damage because of bodily injuries, including death at any time, resulting therefrom, sustained by any person or persons, including myself (ourselves) or on account of damage to property, or my vehicle arising out of or in consequence of my (our) participation in this test, howsoever such injuries, death or damage to property may be caused, and whether or not the same may have been caused or may be alleged to have been caused by negligence of the aforementioned parties or any of their employees or agents, or other persons. I agree to grant to this club, and its authorized representatives permission to record on photography film and/or video, pictures of my participation. I further agree that any or all of the material photographed may be used, in any form, as part of any future publications, brochure, or other printed materials used to promote NCA or the regional club, and further that such use shall be without payment of fees, royalties, special credit or other compensation. The Newfoundland Club of America, this regional club, its members, directors, governors, officers, agents, superintendents, test committee, reserves the right to remove any animal in distress from a parked car or crate, and all persons attending this dog event hereby waive any claim for damages against the club for such removal. I understand that exposing a dog to an unsafe environment, distress, or harm's way is considered mistreatment and subject to appropriate discipline.

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Signature _____

(Signature of Owner/Agent duly authorized to make this entry)

Date: _____

Day Phone (___) _____ Home Phone (___) _____

E-Mail _____

DRAFT TEST VOLUNTEER FORM

Please Check Date(s) & Times, during which you would like to help:

Monday April 29th Morning (7:30 am-12 noon) _____ Monday Afternoon (12 noon – 4 pm) _____

Tuesday April 30th Morning (7:30 am-12 noon) _____ Tuesday Afternoon (12 noon – 4 pm) _____

Your Name _____

Street Address _____

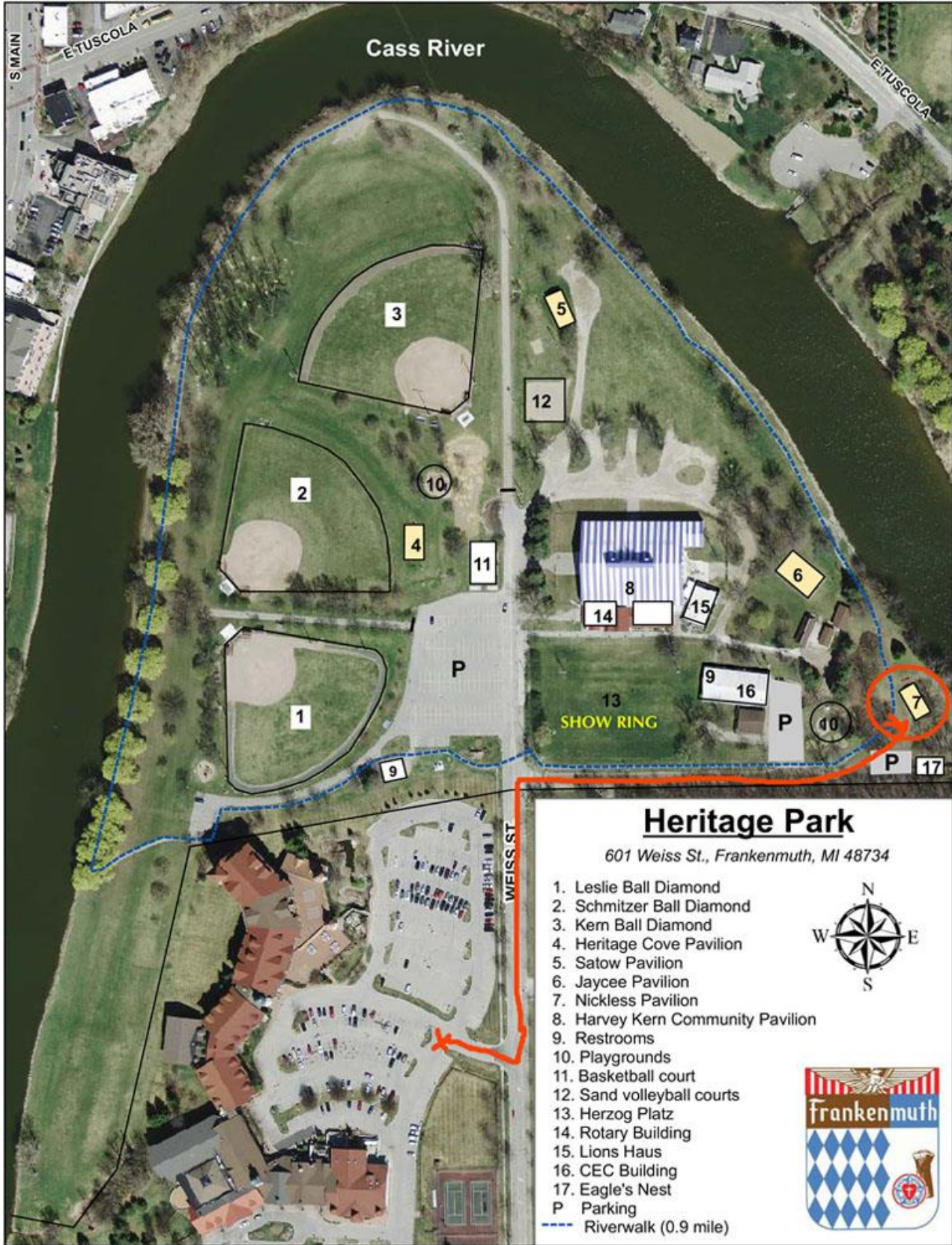
City, State, Zip _____

Phone _____ **E-Mail** _____

Test Committee to provide lunch for draft test workers/volunteers.

Please return this form to:

Tara Kelley-Bertrand
811 Newport Dr
Island Lake, IL 60042-9560
Email: droolyrsx3@yahoo.com



NCA AGGRESSION POLICY

“The Working Dog Committee and the NCA have adopted the AKC official policy concerning dog attacks that lead to an injury, either to a person or to another dog. Also, Draft Test judges may excuse, and even ask to have removed from a test site, if necessary, any dog that appears dangerous to other dogs or persons. Actual reports of dog attacks causing injury to either a dog or a person would go directly through the grievance process. The grievance may be filed by the person injured, the person whose dog was injured, or any witness to an attack causing injury. The dog in question should be removed from the test site and cannot be entered in any subsequent NCA working events pending the completion of the grievance hearing process through the WDC, with subsequent action by the Board.” ...from the WDC Draft Test Rules and Regulations

DOGS IN DISTRESS

The 2019 NCA Specialty Show Committee, which includes the Draft Test Committee, and the Bavarian Inn Lodge will exercise the right to remove dogs from vehicles or hotel rooms where the dogs appear to be in danger of overheating or otherwise appear to be in distress. Any damage to a vehicle will be at the owner's expense.

Important Information and Date Recap

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- _____ Earliest postmark for All Other Entries is **Friday, March 15, 2019**
- _____ Closing Date: **Wednesday, April 10, 2019 7p CT** at the home of the Test Secretary
- _____ Working Event Agreement form sent to Test Secretary
- _____ Donations sent to Test Secretary or arrangements made for pick up/drop off for Silent Auction
- _____ Catalog advertisements sent to Test Secretary and payment by **April 10**

Make checks payable to North Central Newfoundland Club (NCNC)

Send test entries to:

Ashley Gaer, Draft Test Secretary
2336 N Central Park Ave
Chicago, IL 60647
Email: apgaer@gmail.com

Draft Test Volunteer forms to:

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Island Lake, IL 60042-9560
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