

Crooked River SwissAthlon Working Dogs Weekend Fri - Sun, October 3-5, 2008



Information Packet

Site of all events except first pack dog hike:

Brooklyn Exchange Cabin
2400 State Road
Hinckley Reservation
Cleveland MetroParks
Hinckley, Ohio

Schedule of Main Events:

Fri. 11:00 AM, Oct 3rd.....Pack Dog Hike
Fri. Evening Weight Pull
Sat. AM, Oct. 4th..... Draft Trial
Sat. Afternoon Weight Pull
Sat. Evening Puppy Match,
Cook Out, Raffle and Silent Auction
Sun. 8:00 AM, Oct. 5thPack Dog Hike

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SwissAthlon Headquarters: Brooklyn Exchange Cabin

2400 State Road
Hinckley Reservation
Cleveland MetroParks
Hinckley, Ohio

The location for all the events (except the Friday Pack Dog Hike - see page 7) is near the serenely beautiful Hinckley Lake Reservation, about 25 miles south of downtown Cleveland at the Brooklyn Exchange Cabin, a spacious log home secluded in the wooded MetroParks. The site includes a large pavilion, perfect for conducting the weight pulls. The locale is adjacent to flat acreage, ideal for the draft trial maneuver course. In addition, it is surrounded by miles and miles of maintained horse trails, making possible the Sunday pack dog hike and the freight haul for the draft trial. The "cabin," with its spacious wrap-around porch, features a great room with 8 harvest tables and a huge brick fireplace, a kitchen and bunkroom.

Free T-Shirt!

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Directions

The Hinckley Reservation is almost exactly in the middle of an area bounded by 4 interstates: I-80 to the north, I-71 to the west, I-271 to the south, I-77 to the east.

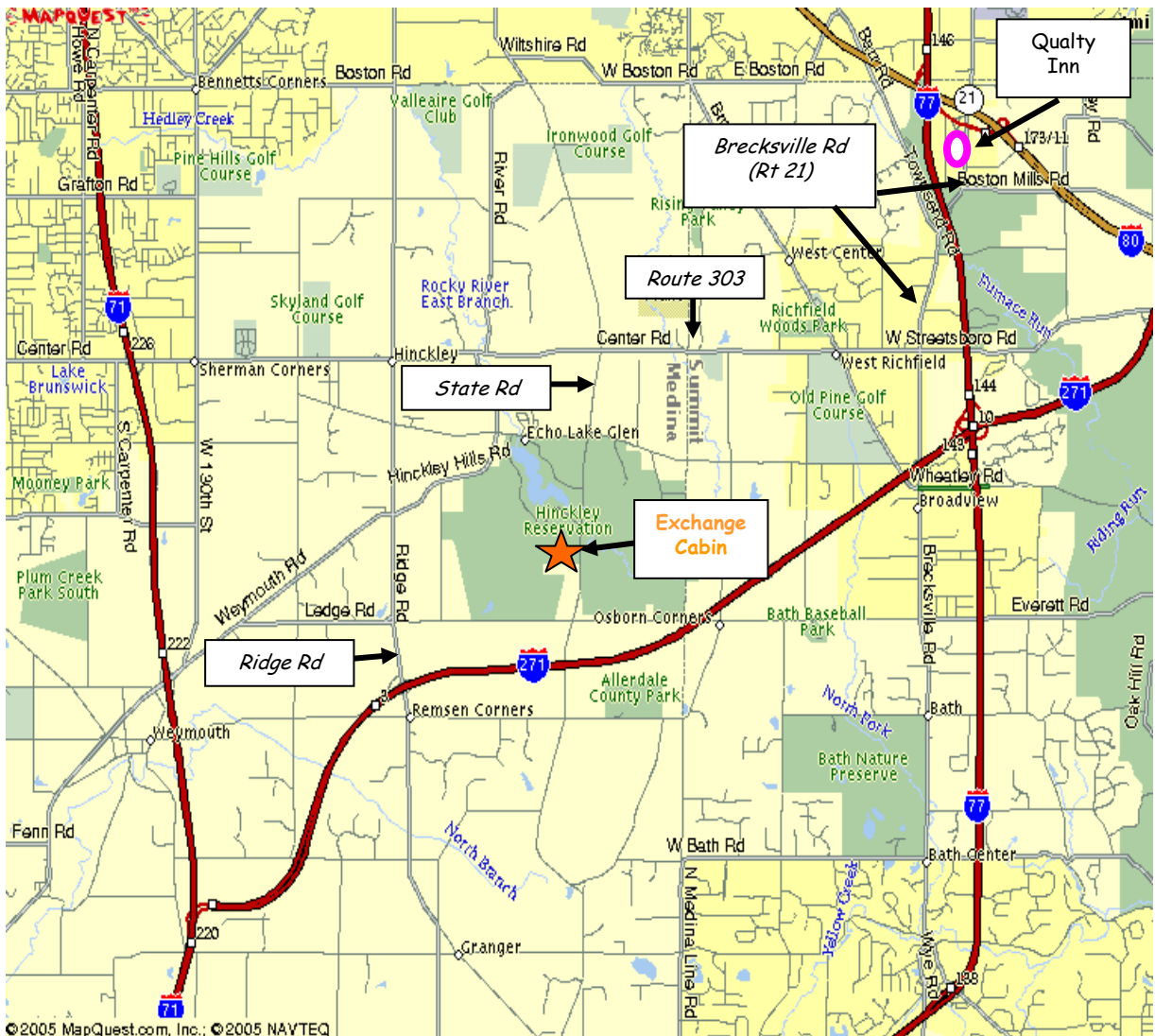
From the North: (I-271 & I-77)

- From I-271 - Take Exit 10 to I-77 South. Take the next exit (see below).
- From I-77 - take Exit 144 (Richfield/Peninsula).

From the South: (I-77)

- Take Exit 143 (Richfield/Peninsula)

- Turn **Right** onto Wheatly Rd (Rt. 176) for $\frac{1}{2}$ mile.
- Stay straight past Brecksville Rd. (Wheatly becomes Broadview Rd.)
- At the next road, Turn **Left** on **Hawkins Rd** (it becomes **Bellus Rd.**)
- Stay on Bellus for 3.3 miles (past Southern Rd. & Medina Line Rd. & the Ranger Stables)
- At the Stop Sign, turn **Left** on **State Rd.**
- Stay on State Rd for 1.2 miles (past East and West Drives).
- The **Exchange Cabin** is on the **Right**, approx $\frac{1}{4}$ mile past West Drive.



From the East & West: (I-80)

- **Take Exit 173 (Brecksville/Richfield)**
Past the toll Booth, keep to the right.
- Turn **Right** on **Brecksville Rd/Rt21**.
(The **Quality Inn** is approx $\frac{1}{4}$ mile on the right).
Stay on Brecksville Rd for 2 miles.
- In Richfield, turn **Right** on **W. Streetsboro Rd (Rt 303)**.
Stay on 303 for approx 3.4 miles (passing Rt, 176 & Medina Line Rd).
- At the top of the hill (flashing yellow light), Turn **Left** on **State Rd**.
Stay on State Rd for almost 2 miles (past Bellus Rd, East and West Drs.).
- The **Exchange Cabin** is on the **Right**, approx $\frac{1}{4}$ mile past West Dr.

From the South: (I-71)

- **Take I 271 North (Exit 220 - Erie)**
- Take the first exit, **Exit 3 (North Royalton/Wadsworth)**.
- Turn **Left** on **Ridge Rd (SR 94)**.
Go .7 of a mile.
- Turn **Right** on **Ledge Rd**.
Go approx 2 miles.
- At the 2d stop sign,
Turn **Left** on **State Rd**.
Go approx .6 of a mile.
- The **Exchange Cabin** is on the **Left**.

LODGING

We are encouraging SwissAthlon participants to stay at the site of all the action, the Brooklyn Exchange Cabin. In the interest of trying to break even on the cost of renting the site for the weekend, we are asking a fee of only \$25.00 per household for the weekend. This fee applies whether you are sleeping inside the lodge or outside in your tent or RV.

The "cabin," with its spacious wrap-around porch, features a great room with 8 harvest tables and a huge brick fireplace. At one end of the room is the kitchen, boasting two stoves, three refrigerators, a long counter, and shelving. *****Since there is no indoor plumbing, the sink is faucetless, but it does drain water.**

A doorway from the great room leads into the bunkroom. Wooden bunk beds sleep 30 people, but this room is so spacious that it can accommodate cots and bedding for more people. The bunkroom features a huge fireplace, as well. Chopped wood is provided by the MetroParks for burning in the fireplaces. If you want to sleep on a bunk bed, **bring very cushy bedding**, as the bunk beds are wooden. If you want to use floor space for sleeping, please bring a cot or air mattress to ensure the comfort level you will need.

Although the "cabin" has electricity, it has no central heat. If the October nights turn chilly, we can provide electric space heaters. It is recommended that you bring a warm bedroll and/or sleeping bag and pillow to ensure a good night's sleep. There is *ample* crating space for the dogs indoors as well as outdoors on the wrap around porch.

For those who like to pitch a tent, there is plenty of green space next to and behind the cabin to set up camp. There should also be room for an RV or two in the parking lot. For photos of the "cabin" and site, please visit the EVENTS page at www.crookeddriverswissyclub.com.

Running water is available outdoors at the hand pump in front of the "cabin." The well water is quite tasty! Latrines housed in wooden structures are "on site" toilet facilities. In addition, a handicapped port-a-potty will be available.

For those of you who do not want to "camp," either indoors or outdoors at the site, there is a hotel which take dogs located 7 miles from site. I've booked a small block of rooms at this hotel from Thursday, Oct 2nd until check out Sunday, Oct 5th. The Quality Inn is a 3 star hotel with amenities such as an indoor swimming pool and restaurant. The sales manager is giving us a reduced room rate of \$72.00 per night plus tax. The address of the Quality Inn and Suites is: 4742 Brecksville Road (Rt 21), Richfield, OH 44286. To contact the **Quality Inn** for a reservation, please call **(330)659-6151**. If you do not want to stay at the cabin, (and we hope you do!), please call The Quality Inn for your reservation.

If you have not attended the SwissAthlon in the past, and have any questions regarding the lodging, please don't hesitate to contact Steve or Dori Likevich at twinpine@mindspring.com or telephone (440)237-9572.

MEALS

Breakfasts Saturday and Sunday: The Crooked River Swissy Club will provide (free of charge) doughnuts, muffins, and fresh fruit at the Brooklyn Exchange Cabin for your morning appetites. We will also have coffee brewing in a 30 cup coffee maker.

Lunch Saturday: A deli meat and cheese tray, along with condiments and sandwich bread will be available to "make your own sandwich." Fresh fruit and chips will also be available. Cost is \$7.50 per person each day. If you would like to take advantage of the "make your own sandwich" lunch, please check the appropriate boxes on the "Events Summary and Sign Up Page."

Don't forget to include the amount of lunch in your payment check for the weekend.

Lunch Sunday: Will be "on your own" following the pack dog hike. If we have any leftovers from Saturday, every one is welcome to partake.

Dinner Friday: Following the Pack Dog Hike Friday, we will begin the Friday evening weight pull competition about 6:00 PM. Dinner Friday will be "on your own." Some may want to dine at one of the restaurants in the village of Peninsula (near the pack dog hike conclusion). There is also a restaurant, "**Memories**," on Brecksville Road near the The Quality Inn. And, The Quality Inn has a restaurant and lounge, as well. If some people want to order pizza, we can bring in pizza, as well.

Dinner Saturday: The Crooked River Swissy Club is hosting a cook out at the site of the Brooklyn Exchange Cabin. We hope everyone will want to dine with us. The tentative menu features the following:

- APPETIZERS - Assorted
- MAIN ENTREES - Grilled Salmon; Grilled Italian Sausage; Meatless Pasta with Red Sauce
- SALAD - Tossed Green Salads with Your Choice of Dressing
- SIDE DISHES - Green Beans and Loaves of Crusty Bread
- DESSERTS - Assorted

Cost for barbecue: \$20.00 per adult and \$12.00 per child under 12 years of age. If you are going to dine with us Saturday evening, please check the appropriate box on the "Events Summary and Sign Up Page."

Don't forget to include the amount of your Saturday dinner in your payment check.

Please bring your own beverages for the weekend

Breakfasts: If you choose not to take advantage of the gratis breakfasts, The Quality Grille is open daily from 6:30 AM to 9:30 PM. A full breakfast menu from pancakes & waffles to eggs to cereal to bagels w/cream cheese to biscuits and gravy is priced very reasonably.

Other Offered Events

The Crooked River Swissy Club SwissAthlon is offering other fun events during the weekend.

- **CGC Testing** - AKC - licensed CGC tester, Ann Hansen, will be available to administer the required exercises so that your dog can earn its CGC (Canine Good Citizen) designation. For dogs to be eligible, they must be at least 6 months of age. Please bring the dog's date of birth and his AKC or ILP registration number. Cost per dog is \$10.00 and you can sign up when you arrive for the weekend. CGC testing is scheduled for Friday evening and Saturday evening.
- **Handling Clinic** - Saturday, during the late afternoon or early evening, instructors will hold a handling clinic for any one interested in learning tips and techniques for showing your puppy/dog in the conformation ring. No charge for the handling class.
- **Puppy Match** - Following the handling clinic, Skip Conant will judge the Puppy Match. Entry forms will be available the day of the Match and the entry fee is \$5.00 per puppy. The last two years, all of the entrants had so much fun showing off their puppies.
- **Raffle** - A table of donated items will be displayed for the raffle. Cost for the raffle will be \$1.00 per ticket, \$5.00 for 6 tickets, and \$10.00 for lucky number 13 tickets! Don't wait too long on Saturday to buy your tickets because the items will be raffled Saturday night. All proceeds go to CRSC.
- **Silent Auction** - This year, we have several donations for the Silent Auction. Our generous members are donating 1) **Waterdog Automatic Outdoor Pet Drinking Fountain**, by Kim & Doug Woollard; 2) **a huge and snuggly stuffed Swissy**, by Skip & Karen Conant; 3) **a miniature "Jonathan Bastian" Swissy carving**, by Skip & Karen Conant; 4) **a custom created Swissy flag**, by Katie Carman Peckenpaugh; 4) **a Big Baroo Swissy Pack**, by Cortney Dziak. A sheet of paper will be provided for each auction item so that those interested in owning these special donations may silently record bids. The highest bidders will be announced Saturday night.
- **Prizes** - Ring prizes will be awarded to all entrants in the draft trial. In fact, "favors" will be given to entrants in all events, including the Puppy Match!
- **Trophies** - Will be awarded to winners in the Weight Pull competitions for Most Weight Pulled and Most Weight Pulled Per Body Pound. Custom engraved plaques will be awarded to the qualifying Draft Trial Entrants.

Free T-Shirt! - Any entrant will receive a free SwissAthlon T-shirt *if* their dog enters at least one of each type of event that is a Greater Swiss Mountain Dog Club of America recognized working event - one pack dog hike, one weight pull & the draft test.

* **Ways & Means** - Don't forget to bring your cash and check books so that you can purchase the one-of-a-kind Ways & Means items from CRSC. We'll have T-shirts, ball caps, and dog collars on sale. The holidays are just around the corner from the date of the SwissAthlon - it won't be too early to make purchases for those favorite people and canines on your gift list.

PACK DOG HIKES

Course Descriptions

Friday, October 3rd. Boston Store Hike. Pack Weigh in: 11:00 am

The hike begins and ends at the Boston Store trail head in the Cuyahoga Valley National Park. The start location is in the Boston Store Parking Lot, 1565 Boston Mills Rd. Peninsula, OH 44264-9617, just to the west of Riverview Rd.

Our hike takes place in the Cuyahoga Valley National Park, approximately 33,000 acres surrounding 22 miles of the Cuyahoga River. About half of our hike will be on Ohio's Buckeye Trail, a 1,400 mile path that traverses Ohio. The first portion is between the Boston Store and the Jaite trailheads with parts of the trail rated "difficult." Along the trail there are hills with switchbacks and stairs, creek crossings, a short stop at Blue Hen Falls, and beautiful hemlock, beech, oak and maple forest glens. From Jaite, which is also the Cuyahoga Valley National Park Headquarters, we will follow an easy connector trail through a meadow and along a river to the Red Lock trailhead of the Ohio Erie Towpath Trail. From there we will follow the Valley Trail which parallels and runs with the Towpath Trail before cutting through a meadow, an old orchard, river floodplains, and a forested area until reaching Stanford Road. We will follow Stanford Road to the Brandywine Falls loop, stopping at the beautiful Brandywine Falls along the circle. We will then pick up the Stanford Trail to Stanford House Hostel. Both of these trails are rated moderate and are very picturesque. From there we will return to the (easy and level) Valley Trail to the Towpath Trail along the Cuyahoga River and Erie Canal as it deposits us back at our Boston Store trailhead.

Directions to the Boston Store Trailhead

From the South

- Coming north on I-71 or I-77, merge onto I-271 North toward ERIE PA.
- Take the OH-303 exit, EXIT 12, RICHFIELD/ PENINSULA
- Turn RIGHT onto W STREETSBORO RD/ OH-303 and go 1.8 mi to Peninsula
- Turn LEFT onto RIVERVIEW RD/ CR-9 and go 1.6 mi.
- Turn RIGHT onto BOSTON MILLS RD W., Trailhead parking is on the right, just over the bridge

From the North (I-77)

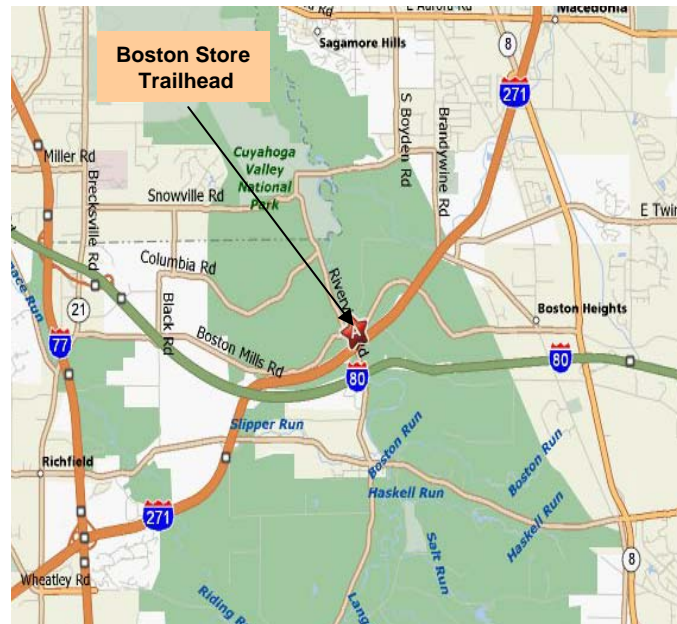
- Take the OH-21 exit, EXIT 146, toward I-80/ OHIO TURNPIKE/ TOLEDO/ YOUNGSTOWN.
- Turn RIGHT onto OH-21/ BRECKSVILLE RD., go .5 mi
- Turn LEFT onto BOSTON MILLS RD., go 1.1 mi
- Jog LEFT onto BLACK RD/ CR-169.
- Turn RIGHT back onto BOSTON MILLS RD., go 2.9 mi
- Just past Riverview Rd, Trailhead parking is on the right, just over the bridge

From the North (I-271)

- Merge onto OH-8 South via EXIT 18 toward BOSTON HTS/ AKRON/ I-80, go 3.4 mi
- Turn RIGHT onto E HINES HILL RD/ CR-40 which becomes BOSTON MILLS RD, go 3.5 mi
- Just past Stanford Rd, Boston Trailhead parking is on the left, just before the bridge

From the East (I-80 Turnpike)

- Merge onto OH-8 North via EXIT 180, go 1.2 mi
- Turn LEFT onto E HINES HILL RD/ CR-40 which becomes BOSTON MILLS RD, go 3.5 mi
- Just past Stanford Rd, Boston Trailhead parking is on the left, just before the bridge



From the West (I-80 Turnpike)

- Take OH-21 exit, EXIT 173, toward I-77/ AKRON/ CLEVELAND.
- Turn RIGHT onto OH-21/ BRECKSVILLE RD.
- Turn LEFT onto BOSTON MILLS RD., go 1.1 mi
- Jog LEFT onto BLACK RD/ CR-169.
- Turn RIGHT back onto BOSTON MILLS RD., go 2.9 mi
- Just past Riverview Rd, Trailhead parking is on the right, just over the bridge

PACK DOG HIKES (cont)

Course Descriptions (cont)

Sunday, October 5rd. Hinckley Lake Hike, Exchange Cabin. Pack Weigh in: 8:00 am

At the southern end of Cleveland Metroparks is Hinckley Reservation, the site of the nationally known annual return of the buzzards. Located in Hinckley Township in Medina County, the reservation is dominated by the 90-acre Hinckley Lake, enjoyed by fishermen, canoe and kayak enthusiasts, walkers, joggers, bird watchers and dog lovers. Two other attractions in the reservation are Whipp's Ledges, with elevations rising 350 feet above Hinckley Lake and formed more than 250 million years ago, as well as Worden's Ledges with its unique carvings made in the 1940s by Noble Stuart, son-in-law to the namesake of the ledges, Hiram Worden, both which we will be traversing in the course of our hike.

The 90 miles of trails circling the greater Cleveland area and Lake Erie is known as the "Emerald Necklace." Sunday's 10 mile pack dog hike will wind through a portion of this scenic area. Trail surfaces will be dirt-packed, gravel, grassy, and asphalt. Northeast Ohio is known for its ridges and hilly terrain. Hiking the trails, you can be assured that if you go down a hill, you will also go up a hill. The Hinckley Lake Hike will encounter a small stream/creek where we will be crossing either by walking in the water or stepping across on stones. Many of the trails are horse trails through the heavily forested park area, providing not only beauty but also shade.

Administrative Details

The Pack Dog Hikes will be conducted per the GSMDCA Pack Dog Rules effective September 1, 2005. All GSMD's over 18 month the day of the hike are eligible for Working Pack Dog Titles.

The Friday hike will begin at 11:00 AM with the weigh-in of the packs. The Sunday morning hike will begin at 8:00 AM with weigh-in of the packs. Immediately following weigh-in, dogs and handlers will "hit the trail."

First and foremost, hikes are to be conducted with the safety and well being of the GSMD's and Handlers in mind. The Hike Coordinator is authorized to make any necessary decisions to protect the safety and well being of the GSMD's and Handlers.

Only one dog per handler is allowed.

A veterinarian's certificate of the dog's weight must be provided prior to weigh-in. The weight may be taken up to 7 days prior to the hikes. Weight verifications may be in any format as long as they include the name and address of the vet (e.g. vet letterhead, vet business cards & vet prescription pads).

PACK DOG HIKES (cont)

Entry Fees

Entry fees for the pack dog hikes are \$20.00 per dog OR \$30.00 per dog if entered both days. *Pre-entry is required.* If you want to enter the pack dog hikes, please check the appropriate boxes on the "Events Summary and Sign Up Page." Don't forget to include the amount of your pack dog hike entry fee(s) with the payment check you submit.

All entrants will receive a participatory prize.

Veterinarians On Call

Royalton Road Animal Hospital
10500 Royalton Road
North Royalton, OH 44133
(440)237-9572

Hinckley Animal Hospital
1287 Ridge Road
Hinckley, OH
(330)278-4700

Akron Veterinary Emergency Clinic
1321 Centerview Circle
Akron, OH 44321
(330)665-4996

Weather

We chose this time of year for our SwissAthlon weekend because, characteristically, the weather is sunny with mild temperatures, highs in the upper 60's to lower 70's. We hope that fair skies prevail for this very special event. Please be advised that in some years, northeast Ohio has experienced rain or even a dusting of snow in early October. On the other hand, we had warmer than normal temperatures last year with abundant sunshine. Please tune into the weather on the internet and dress accordingly. The events will go forward, rain or shine.

WEIGHT PULLS

Two weight pull competitions under GSMDCA rules are featured during the SwissAthlon weekend. They will take place at the Brooklyn Exchange Cabin under the pavilion on Friday evening following the pack dog hike and Saturday afternoon following the draft trial.

Mary & Tim Cunningham, our judges from Kirkwood, Illinois, will bring the weight pull cart, a scale to weigh the dogs, as well as bags of dog treats for the entrants.

Entry fees are discussed on the "Events Summary and Sign Up Sheet," but here is a recap.

The fees to enter your dog(s) each day in the weight pull competitions are as follows:

- \$20.00 for the first dog *if your dog has been entered in previous weight pulls.*
- \$15.00 for the first dog *if this is your dog's debut pull.* In other words if your dog has *never been entered in a previous pull*, your entry fee for the first dog is \$15.00.
- \$10.00 for the second dog and each dog thereafter.

Hence, if you have three dogs you want to enter in the weight pull competitions, *each day*, your total entry fee is going to be either $\$20.00 + \$10.00 + \$10.00 = \40.00 Or, $\$15.00 + \$10.00 + \$10.00 = \35.00

We will have extra weight pull harnesses available for those dogs who have never pulled and would like to enter.

It is greatly appreciated if you pre-enter your dog(s). However, we will accept entries the days of the pulls.

Trophies will be awarded to the dogs who achieve

- ❖ Most Weight Pulled
- ❖ Most Weight Pulled Per Body Pound

Bandanas will be awarded to the dogs pulling 1st, 2nd, 3rd & 4th place in their respective weight classes.

Weight classes are as follows:

- Under 90 pounds
- 90 to 109 pounds
- 110 to 129 pounds
- 130 and over pounds

DRAFT TEST

Hosted by
THE CROOKED RIVER SWISSY CLUB
for

THE GREATER SWISS MOUNTAIN DOG CLUB OF AMERICA, INC.

Brooklyn Exchange Cabin, State Rd
Hinckley Reservation Metro Parks, Hinckley OH
Saturday, October 4, 2007

Test Hours begin at 7:30 AM and will continue until all teams have competed.

All judging will be outdoors.

**Entries close at 5:00 PM, Wednesday, September 10, 2008
at the Crooked River Swissy Club's Treasurer's address, after which time entries
cannot be accepted, canceled or submitted except as provided in Chapter 11,
Section 6 of the Dog Show Rules. Entries should be submitted on the
SwissAthlon Consolidated Entry Form (pp 14-15)**

CRSC Treasurer

Steve Likevich
8740 Boston Road
North Royalton, OH 44133

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(440)237-9572 twinpine@mindspring.com
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(216)926-3515 jmleopold710@hotmail.com
Test Committee Member: Lesley Fisher

DRAFT TEST

DRAFT TEST JUDGES

Karen Conant.....34390 Detroit Rd. Avon, OH 44011
Mary Jo Rasmussen.....3152 Holmes Run Road, Falls Church, VA 22042

VETERINARIAN ON CALL

Akron Veterinary Emergency Center
1321 Centerview Circle
Akron, OH 44321
(330) 665-4996

ENTRY INFORMATION

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

1. Entered dogs must be 18 months or older on the day of the Draft Test (date of birth on or before April 4, 2007).
2. Bitches in season are not permitted to compete. Entry fees shall be refunded upon receipt of a veterinary certificate stating an entered bitch is in season at the time of the Draft Test.
3. No dogs belonging wholly or in part to the Draft Test Judges or the Draft Test Secretary, or to any member of their immediate family, may compete.
4. The Basic Control Exercise shall be waived for dogs that have earned an AKC, UKC, SKC, CKC 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.
5. 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.
6. The handler selects and provides appropriate freight load for the apparatus and the dog.
7. 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 Steve Likevich, DWC Chairman. Please send \$1.00 (to cover the cost of s&h) to Steve Likevich, 8740 Boston Rd. North Royalton, OH 44133.

DRAFT TEST (cont)

ENTRY INFORMATION (cont)

Entry is limited to fifteen (15) teams total, whether entered in **Novice Draft, Open Draft or Team Draft**. If more than 15 entries are received, 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 e-mail or U.S. mail of their entry status. Alternates will also be drawn and may compete in the absence of regular entries.

The **entry fee** is **\$25.00**. Submit as part of the Crooked River **SwissAthlon** Mail Summary page, consolidated entry form and fees to :

Entries close at the Test Secretary's address on **Wednesday, Sept. 10, 2008 at 5:00 PM**.

SCHEDULE

7:30 AM to 8:00 AM	Entrants Arrive & Set Up
8:00 AM to 8:30 AM	Equipment Check
8:30 AM to 9:30 AM	Course Review
Approx 9:45 AM	Judging Begins

PRIZES

All participating entrants will receive a ring prize and each dog with a passing performance will receive a specially created trophy.

The Test Site

The Test will occur at the Brooklyn Exchange Cabin, headquarters of the Crooked River Swissy Club Working Dogs Weekend (SwissAthlon) in the Hinckley Reservation Metro parks, Hinckley, OH (20 miles south of Cleveland, OH).

The Freight Haul course primarily consists of a $\frac{1}{2}$ mile out and back trek along a cleared horse trail. There are at least 4 different surfaces (grass, gravel, paved and dirt) and a gradual down/upslope where the trail crosses a culvert enclosed creek.

Please note: Because it is an active horse trail, there is the possibility of encountering horseback riders as naturally occurring distractions during the freight haul. Special precautions will be taken to ensure the trail is cleared of any horse droppings just prior to the test.

Crooked River SwissAthlon
Events Summary & Sign Up Page

Below is a list of events to be held at the Crooked River Swissy Club SwissAthlon. Check the box(es) next to each event(s) in which you plan to enter/participate.

Mail this summary page, event form(s) and check (payable to the Crooked River Swissy Club) or money order to:

Steve Likevich
8740 Boston Road
North Royalton, OH 44133

[] **Lodging at the site**, the Brooklyn Exchange Cabin. **Advance reservations required! \$25.00 per household for the weekend.** Please indicate how many adults and children in your household. Adults: _____ Children: _____
Please indicate whether you will be sleeping indoors in the bunk room _____, or outdoors in a tent _____, or parking an RV _____.

Friday, October 3rd, 2008:

[] **Pack Dog Hike:** \$20.00 per dog or \$30.00 per dog if entered in both hikes. Pre-Entry is required. This is a 10 mile hike. Weigh-in of packs at 11:00 PM. Hike begins immediately following weigh-in.

[] **Weight Pull:** \$20.00 per dog for the first dog (if your dog has been entered in a previous pull). \$15.00 per dog for the first dog if this is your dog's debut pull. \$10.00 for the second dog and each dog thereafter. Pull begins in the afternoon following the Draft Trial. Pre-Entry appreciated, but entries also accepted on the day of the competition.

Saturday, October 4th, 2008:

[] **Crooked River GSMDCA Draft Trial.** Pre-Entry Required. \$25.00 per team.

[] **Lunch:** Check here if "making your own sandwich" with fruit and chips. \$7.50 per person. Lunch details on page 5. *****Please include the cost of lunch in your check total.**

[] **Weight Pull:** \$20.00 per dog for the first dog (if your dog has been entered in a previous pull). \$15.00 per dog for the first dog if this is your dog's debut pull. \$10.00 for the second dog and each dog thereafter. Pull begins in the afternoon following the Draft Trial. Pre-Entry appreciated, but entries also accepted on the day of the competition.

[] **SwissAthlon Evening Cookout** at the Brooklyn Exchange Cabin. \$20.00 per adult. \$12.00 per child under 12 years of age. Barbecue dinner menu on page 5.

Advance head count is important. Please designate the number of adults or children in your party! *****Please include the amount of dinner(s) in your check total.**

Adults: _____ Children (under 12): _____

Sunday, October 5th, 2008:

[] **Pack Dog Hike:** \$20.00 per dog or \$30.00 per dog if entered in both hikes. Pre-entry is required. This is a 10 mile hike. Weigh-in of packs at 8:00 AM. Hike begins immediately following weigh-in.

Draft Trial Catalog Ads: Want to advertise your dogs? Your business? A remembrance to dogs gone to Rainbow Bridge? A "good luck" wish to the entrants in the SwissAthlon? Submit an ad to the CRSC Treasurer, Steve Likevich. If at all possible, it should be print ready. **The cost is \$10.00 for a full page color ad.** Come on everyone, let's see if we can break the record for the most ads in a draft trial catalog!!!! You can include the amount in your check to CRSC. Please have your ad to Steve no later than Sept. 10. 2008. Can't wait to see all of the great pictures!

Total Amount enclosed: \$ _____ 14 _____

