

PREMIUM LIST

PBGVCA Hunting Test Regional/National Hunt

Hosted by
PBGVCA



November 6-8, 2020
Carlisle Beagle Club
150 Beagle Club Rd.
Carlisle, PA 17013

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GENERAL HUNT INFORMATION

The PBGVCA National/Regional Specialty has come and gone but we're having our National/Regional hunt anyway. Join your PBGV friends for three days in the field at the Carlisle Beagle Club. There are 2 large fields where we can run our dogs and watch them demonstrate their natural ability for trailing rabbits. All AKC registered Petits are welcome, including those with ILP/PAL listings.

A complete copy of the PBGVCA Rules and Regulations with desirable qualities and faulty actions in hunting PBGVs can be viewed at www.pbgv.org. A summary of the Rules and Standard Procedures is included on page 12 of this document. Requirements for PBGVCA Hunt Titles are listed on page 13.

Entries open Wednesday, October 14, 2020 and close Wednesday, October 28, 2020 (based on postmark date). Entries post marked before October 14 or after October 28 will not be accepted. Entries will be limited to 5 pack, 1 brace, 1 solo, and 1 HIT each day. Entries are further limited to 1 run per dog per day. The Secretary reserves the right to increase entries in one or more stakes as needed. The Secretary and Chairman reserve the right to schedule overflow runs on Friday as needed depending on the availability of judges and handlers. Runs may be held concurrently on the two fields depending on judges' availability. For further details, please refer to - "How to complete the Entry Form" on page 7.

IMPORTANT NOTICE: If more entries are received than can be accommodated and there are households with multiple runs, one or more draws may take place to eliminate runs, starting with households with the highest number of runs, then households with the next highest number of runs, etc. If one of your runs is eliminated, you will be given the option of adjusting your other entries so the impacted dog(s) can still run. This will be done either shortly before hunt entries close or when available entries are full, whichever comes first. If your entries are impacted you will be notified by phone or email before changes are made to your entry. Every effort will be made to avoid eliminating dogs from running.

The field will be open for practice time on Friday, November 6, starting at 10 am. (Sign up sheet at the clubhouse.) Please limit your practice time to no more than an hour, with a limit of 5 dogs on each field at any given time. If possible please consider having a "human" buddy with you on the field. You will need to sign in and out of the field as an additional safety measure.

The field will be open after tests are completed on Saturday and Sunday, if time allows. Priority will be given to dogs without titles—sign up required prior to open run time on test days. Limit 5 dogs on a field at any given time.

Hunt Secretary – Pat Reading
 1108 W. Market St.
 Schuylkill Haven, PA 17972-9777
 570-640-4076
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Hunt Chairman—Mary Fluke, DVM
 704-281-5240
drowsymary@gmail.com

Judges			
Coady Egan	Cary, NC	Paul Urban	Cheraw, SC
Megan Esherick	Leesport, PA	Vickie Willmann	Marion, IN
Jill Fitzgerald	Seminole, FL	TBA	
Nick Reading	Schuylkill Haven, PA		

PBGVCA Hunt Tests Offered

Hunting Instinct Test--This test is open to all PBGVs 6 months and older registered with AKC. Hunting Instinct Certified (HC) will be granted by the PBGVCA to any PBGV passing the HIT. A PBGV may not be entered in the Hunt Test until it has passed the HIT.

Hunt Test--This test is open to any PBGV who has passed a PBGVCA Hunting Instinct Test, or received an equivalent qualification by an established hound association. The hunt test includes Pack, Brace, and Solo stakes. All qualifying scores must be applied towards an appropriate hunt title for which a prerequisite has been earned. High qualifying scores may not be saved for advanced titles. For a description of the PBGVCA Hunt Test Title Requirements, see final page of this premium list.

Non Regular Classes offered (Friday 11/6 only)

Puppy Learning Experience (PLE)—for PBGV puppies 3-6 months old. This experience includes presentation of information about exposing puppies to hunt field conditions, how to get puppies to go in cover, how scent works in the field, relevant information about rabbit behavior, and how to work with puppies at home to improve hunt skills. Puppies will be exposed to a live rabbit (if available).

Novice Learning Experience (NLE)—for PBGVs 6 months and older who have not passed a Hunting Instinct Test. The same material will be covered as in the PLE but more time will be spent in the field with an experienced dog providing guided hunting experience for the novice dogs.

Entry Fees

Hunting Instinct Test	\$20.00	Move up from HIT is offered for dogs who pass the HIT on the first day of the test, or at a previous test held after the entry closing date for this test, if space is available to add an additional pack stake entry on the following day.
Pack Stake	\$25.00	
Brace Stake	\$37.50 per dog	
Solo Stake	\$75.00	
PLE/NLE	\$15.00	
Move up from HIT	\$ 5.00	

IMPORTANT NOTICE TO ALL HANDLERS

See page 4 for COVID-19 safety policy. All handlers are expected to adhere to this policy.

All entered handlers and hounds must be present on the field for the roll call and draw at the start of the day. Hounds not checked in will be marked absent. Hunt Tests Stakes and Hunting Instinct Tests will be included in the same draw.

Hounds entered individually (not in pre-arranged packs) will be assigned to packs by the secretary prior to the draw. Judges for each run will be assigned by hunt officials once the draw is complete.

Field Marshal sign up will occur once the draw is complete. Please volunteer to marshal—it's a great way to help the club and also gives you a chance to watch the dogs hunt up close.

- Alcohol is discouraged at the clubhouse and is not allowed on the hunt field.
- These grounds have rough terrain--please use caution; a walking stick is recommended.
- Safety of the dogs is our primary concern. Areas used for this event will be totally fenced. Please be sure the gate is properly closed as you enter or leave the running grounds.
- In consideration of others, please clean up after your dog on the field and at your hotel. Your cooperation in this matter is appreciated!
- New handlers are strongly advised to attend at least one Novice Learning Experience
- No move-ups from HIT to Hunt Test will be accepted for the day on which the PBGV has been marked as passing the HIT.
- THE Hunt Test is an off-lead test. NO long lines (except as stipulated in the PBGVCA Rules and Standard Procedures), leashes, or food may be used once a PBGV is released until the judges request that the dogs be picked up (leashed) and removed from the field.
- If Saturday's tests cannot be completed due to darkness, they will resume on Sunday followed immediately by the draw for Sunday's tests.

REFUNDS –

- Refunds for entry fees and prepaid meals will be allowed prior to closing date with written or email notification to the hunt secretary.
- No refunds of entry fees after closing date unless the entry can be replaced from the wait list, except for a bitch in season (BIS).
- A refund of entry fees and prepaid meals will be allowed for BIS after closing date with a veterinarian statement.
- Entries that cannot be accommodated due to stakes being full will be returned as soon as possible after closing date.

Covid-19 Hunt Requirements

Social Distancing - Everyone should practice social distancing (6 feet apart) when possible except with members of their household or people they are traveling or staying with. We will need to be mindful of keeping our distance from others and respect that everyone may have a different level of risk as well as a different level of comfort around others.

Masks – Masks (covering nose and mouth) should be worn at all times in indoor spaces and outdoors where people are gathered for meetings (morning meeting, judges meeting, judges discussions) and events (raffle, etc.) Masks should be worn as handlers and judges gather for a run and pictures are taken but may be removed once the run is underway and people are spread out. Consideration should be taken in putting masks back on if circumstances on the field lead to close proximity (such as running past another handler or judge). People are not required to wear masks at their set ups (cars, campsites, etc.) but should be prepared to wear a mask when anyone else approaches. The event committee may decide to limit or eliminate observers/gallery on the field to avoid proximity. The default should be to wear a mask and maintain social distance. Please pack enough masks to last you while at the hunt.

Clubhouse - Secretary and Hunt Chair will be the only ones allowed in the clubhouse. Roll call and morning meeting will be held outside (clubhouse porch or covered kennel building).

Bathrooms – Doors should be left open between individual use of the bathrooms and exhaust fans on if available. While waiting for the bathroom please social distance.

Common Items – Hunt collars will be kept spread out on a table for easy pick up. Disinfectant wipes will be available to wipe down collars by the person who is getting ready to use the collar. The **starter pistol** should be wiped down with disinfectant wipes before each use by the marshal who will be using it. Judges will get a **clipboard and pencil** on the first run they judge and that will be theirs for the entire hunt. Judges will turn in their paper work (designated box outside of the clubhouse) but not their clip board or pencils. **Draw tokens** will be spread out on a table by the hunt chair. One person from each run will come forward and indicate which token they would like to be turned over by the hunt chair. The hunt chair and chief marshal will be the only ones to write in the **run board** each with a different color marker. Bring your own **chairs**. Please do not sit in chairs that are not yours even if they are empty.

Food - Boxed lunches plus a drink will be available for a fee. Social distancing should be practiced during food pick up. We will forego our usual snacks, beverages, and bottled water for this hunt. (Hot coffee and hot water will be available in the mornings.) Please be sure that you have enough snacks and beverages for your own use.

Raffle - Tickets will **be** prepacked in baggies. Correct money should be dropped in container. One person with gloves will pick all tickets and tape to items. Winners pick up item after all tickets have been drawn, practicing social distancing. Items should not be handled by anyone once set up until they are picked up by winner. If your raffle item or basket has multiple things that cannot be seen or easily recognized please attach a list for others to know what wonderful items you have brought.

General Information

Accommodations: These three hotels are all located in the same area, about 3 miles from the field. Do not leave dogs unattended in any hotel and clean up after your dogs!

Best Western 1155 Harrisburg Pike, Carlisle PA 17013 717-243-6200

We have a block of rooms under "PBGV Group" with a rate of \$69.99 per night (2 queen sized beds) plus tax, one time pet fee of \$20 per pet, maximum of \$40. Hot breakfast, good amenities, ground floor rooms. Please call the hotel directly to get this rate (and pet fee).

Comfort Inn 77 Shady Lane, Carlisle PA 17013 717-706-3400

We have an additional block at this hotel as well, also "PBGV Group." Room rate (king or double) is \$79 per night with a one time pet fee of \$25 (plus tax). You can book directly with the hotel or use the following link: <https://www.choicehotels.com/reservations/groups/SM15Q4>. You must book by October 29 to get this rate.

American Inn 1153 Harrisburg Pike, Carlisle PA 17013 717-249-7622

Room rates are \$65 plus taxes per night. No charge for the first two (2) dogs, \$5/dog/stay for each additional dog. To get this rate you must call the hotel direct at 717-249-7622 and identify yourself as being with the "PBGV Hunt Test" Group. Please book your reservation by November 1, 2020. Call 5 days before your arrival to cancel to avoid any cancellation fees. No show will be charge full amount for 2 nights. No amenities but you can park right outside your room.

Food: Lunches will be brought to the field. See summary sheet for options and costs. Hot beverages will be available on Saturday and Sunday morning but we are not offering the usual smorgasbord of snacks due to the problems of maintaining hygiene (COVID-19).

RV Parking: There is RV parking available at the Beagle Club grounds (without hookups). Please let us know on the summary sheet if you will need RV parking. **Absolutely no admittance to the field before or after event hours.** Please be considerate of local neighbors (no barking dogs in x-pens).

Driving Directions: Carlisle Beagle Club, 150 Beagle Club Road, Carlisle, PA, 17013

From the listed hotels, turn right onto Harrisburg Pike/US-11 N (northeast). In 0.68 miles turn left onto N. Middlesex Rd. In 2.1 miles turn left onto Beagle Club Rd. In 0.3 miles the destination is on your left.

Other Addresses:

Hospital:

UMPC Carlisle
361 Alexander Spring Rd.
Carlisle, PA 17013
717-249-1212

Emergency Vet:

SHORES Veterinary Emergency Center
835 Sir Thomas Court
Harrisburg, PA 17019
717-798-8500
(35 miles away)
www.shoresvet.com

Vet:

Carlisle Small Animal Veterinary Clinic
25 Shady Ln.
Carlisle, PA 17013
717-243-2717
www.carlislevet.com
Closes 5 pm Friday, 12 pm Saturday, closed
Sunday

Pharmacy:

Walmart
60 Noble Blvd.
Carlisle, PA 17013
717-258-1250
open till 9 pm Friday, 7 pm Saturday, 6 pm Sunday

Regional and National PBGVCA Hunt Tests

November 6-8, 2020

(Schedule subject to change)

Friday

November 6, 2020

10 am Field opens for RV parking, open run time begins (limit 5 dogs on a field at any given time—sign up at the clubhouse).
2:00-3:00 pm Puppy/Novice Learning Experience—non-entered dogs may be on the field concurrently.
TBA Judges meeting at the clubhouse (judges and hunt officials, all other are observers only)
5 pm Field closes. No dogs released after 4:30 pm.
4:59 pm Sunset

Saturday

November 7, 2020

6:46 am Sunrise
7:30 am Morning meeting followed by roll call/draw
8:00 am Hunt Tests and Hunting Instinct Test(s) begin.
12:00 pm Lunch available. Runs continue.
Followed by Open Run Time—sign up in advance with the chairman (limit 5 dogs on each field).
5 pm Field closes--no dogs released after 4:30 pm
4:58 pm Sunset

Sunday

November 8, 2020

6:40 am Sunrise
7:30 am Morning meeting followed by roll call/draw
8:00 am Hunt Tests and Hunting Instinct Test(s) begin.
12:00 pm Lunch available. Runs continue.
Followed by Open Run Time—sign up in advance with the chairman (limit 5 dogs on each field).
5 pm Field closes—no dogs released after 4:30 pm
4:57 pm Sunset

This Schedule is subject to change. Please check the PBGVCA web site www.pbgv.org frequently for any up-dates.

*****National Regional Hunt Test Raffle*****

Don't miss the Hunt Raffle, a Hunt Test weekend tradition. Tickets will be on sale up until the drawing which will be held Saturday late afternoon or Sunday early morning. Raffle proceeds to be donated (to be decided by raffle participants). **If everyone brings a nice raffle item there is sure to be something for everyone.** Your raffle items do not have to be hunt or dog related. For more information contact Mary Fluke (drowsymary@gmail.com or 704-281-5240) or Connie Peterson (conniep051@gmail.com).

How to complete the entry form

- **Call Name:** Fill in the familiar name by which you call your dog
- **Collar Color:** Fill this in only if 1) you are providing your own collar(s), 2) you are entering the hound in a predetermined brace or pack and 3) you have determined that no other dog in the pack will be wearing this color. An assortment of collars will be available for anyone needing to borrow a collar for the test.
- **Male/Female:** Check the appropriate box. Females in season may not be on the hunt grounds. Fees will be refunded for bitches that come in season after the closing date (with a confirmation from a veterinarian) or another hound may be substituted for this entry.
- **AKC Registered Name:** Fill in the Dogs full AKC registered name including any AKC and/or PBGVCA titles.
- **AKC Reg No., AKC Litter No., PAL No.:** Check the appropriate box and fill in the number
- **Date of Birth:** Fill in the birth date of this hound
- **Place of Birth - USA or Other:** check the appropriate box, if other, please note the country
- **Actual Owner(s):** List name of owner including co-owner if applicable.
- **Breeder/Sire/Dam:** this information will be included in the catalog
- **Handler:** This is the person responsible for the hound on the test grounds
- **Individual Entry, Pack Entry:** If you are entering a single hound and have not made previous arrangements to run your hound in a pack with others, check the box for Individual Entry. This hound will be packed with others at the draw. If you are entering your hound in solo stake, check the appropriate box. If you are entering this hound as part of a prearranged pack or brace, check the appropriate box and fill out the supplemental entry form. Hounds within a pack or brace do not need to have the same owner(s).
- **HIT, HT, NLE, PLE:** These abbreviations stand for Hunting Instinct Test, Hunt Test, Novice Learning Experience, and Puppy Learning Experience.
- **Supplementary Form for Brace or Pre-arranged Pack Entry:** list the call name, AKC or ILP number, and Handler's Name for each dog entered in the brace or pre-arranged pack. The secretary must receive all the individual entry forms with the supplementary form so if there are multiple handlers for the pack or brace you will need to co-ordinate with the other handlers to ensure that entries are received on time.
- **How to determine the entry fees:** Normal fees are as stated on the individual entry form.
- **Telephone Number and E-mail address:** Please include this information so we may call you if we have any questions about the entry. Receipt of your entry will be confirmed by e-mail.
- **Emergency Telephone Number:** Please provide an emergency number in case you have a problem during the hunt test.

Fill out the Summary Sheet (see last page of premium list) and send it along with the completed entry form(s) and your check made out to the PBGVCA to:

Hunt Secretary – Pat Reading
1108 W. Market St.
Schuylkill Haven, PA 17972-9777
570-640-4076
craftyladypat@verizon.net

ENTRIES MAY NOT BE POSTMARKED EARLIER THAN October 14, 2020 OR POSTMARKED LATER THAN October 28, 2020.

Official Petit Basset Griffon Vendéen Club of America Hunting Test Entry Form

PETIT BASSET GRIFFON VENDÉEN CLUB OF AMERICA
 Regional/National Hunt Tests—Carlisle Beagle Club, Carlisle, PA
 November 6-8, 2020

HUNTING INSTINCT TEST ENTRY FEE: \$20.00

ELIGIBILITY: Hound must be 6 months or older and an AKC, ILP, or PAL registered PBGV.

HUNT TEST ENTRY FEE: \$25.00 per dog; BRACE entry \$37.50 per dog; SOLO entry \$75

ELIGIBILITY: Hound must be PBGVCA Hunt Certified by achieving a qualifying score in the HIT

MAIL ENTRIES TO: Pat Reading, 1108 W. Market St., Schuylkill Haven, PA 17972-9777

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: PBGVCA.

ENTRIES CLOSE: At the Hunt Test Secretary's address, Wednesday, October 28, 2020, by postmark date.

Call Name		Collar Color (if supplied by owner)		<input type="checkbox"/> Male PBGV <input type="checkbox"/> Female PBGV	
AKC Registered Name					
<input type="checkbox"/> AKC Reg No. <input type="checkbox"/> AKC Litter No. <input type="checkbox"/> PAL No.		Date of Birth M M / D D / Y Y Y Y			
		Place of Birth <input type="checkbox"/> USA <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____			
Breeder					
Sire					
Dam					
Actual Owner(s) (Please print)					
Owner's Address					
City, State, Zip					
Handler					
<input type="checkbox"/> Individual Entry		Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Total Entry Fee
<input type="checkbox"/> Solo Entry	HIT (\$20/day)		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Brace Entry	Hunt Test (\$25/day)		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Please Append Supplementary Form	Brace(\$37.50/dog/day)		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Part of Pre-Arranged Pack Entry	Solo (\$75/day)		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Please Append Supplementary Form	NLE (\$15/day)	<input type="checkbox"/>			
	PLE (\$15/day)	<input type="checkbox"/>			
TOTAL ENTRY FEES					

I CERTIFY that I am the actual owner of the dog, or that I am the duly authorized agent of the actual owner whose name I have entered above. In consideration of the acceptance of this entry, I (we) agree to abide by the rules and regulations of The American Kennel Club and Petit Basset Griffon Vendéen Club of America in effect at the time of this test, and by any additional rules and regulations appearing in the premium list for this event. I (we) 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.

PARENT OR GUARDIAN SIGNATURE IF OWNER IS UNDER 18.

SIGNATURE of owner or his agent, duly authorized to make this entry:

Signature _____

Email: _____ (for contact prior to event)

Cell phone: _____ (for contact during event)

Emergency contact: _____

Supplementary Statement Concerning Dogs owned, sold, held under license, boarded, trained or handled within one year of the starting date of the Hunt Test by an advertised judge, alternate judge or any member of their family (in accordance with PBGVCA Hunt Test Rules and Standard Procedures, Chapter 5-Section 1, and Chapter 7-Section 8):

This hound is not eligible to be judged by _____.

Official Petit Basset Griffon Vendéen Club of America Hunting Test Entry Form

PETIT BASSET GRIFFON VENDÉEN CLUB OF AMERICA
Regional/National Hunt Tests—Carlisle Beagle Club, Carlisle, PA 17013
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Supplementary Form for Brace or Pack Entry

The Following Dogs are entered as a brace. Separate entry forms for each dog are attached.

1. Call name	AKC or ILP#	Handler's name
2. Call name	AKC or ILP#	Handler's name

The Following Dogs are entered as a pack. Separate entry forms for each dog are attached.

1. Call name	AKC or ILP#	Handler's name
2. Call name	AKC or ILP#	Handler's name
3. Call name	AKC or ILP#	Handler's name
4. Call name	AKC or ILP#	Handler's name
5. Call name	AKC or ILP#	Handler's name

MAIL WITH INDIVIDUAL ENTRY FORMS TO: Pat Reading, 1108 W. Market St., Schuylkill Haven, PA 17972--9777
Please note that all individual entry forms must be received by the secretary concurrently with the supplemental form.

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 Carlisle Beagle Club, Carlisle PA
Entry Summary Sheet

Please include this sheet with your entry form(s):

Your Name _____

Others in your party: _____

RV Parking needed? Yes____ No____ (no hookups).

Meals:

Saturday lunch (pulled pork barbeque, baked beans, mac and cheese, dessert) \$10 each

Sunday (Subway sandwich \$8 or wrap \$10, with chips and cookie—see next page to place your order)

Canned sodas and bottled water will be provided with lunches

Fee Summary

Total Entry Fees	\$ _____
Saturday lunch _____ x \$10 (NC for judges)	\$ _____
Sunday lunch _____ x \$8 _____ x \$10 (NC for judges)	\$ _____
(sandwich) (wrap)	
Total fees for the weekend	\$ _____

Please make your check or money order payable to the PBGVCA and send it with this form and your entry forms to the Hunt Secretary:

Hunt Secretary – Pat Reading
 1108 W. Market St.
 Schuylkill Haven, PA 17972-9777
 570-640-4076
craftyladypat@verizon.net

Any special dietary considerations (vegetarian, food allergy, etc.)?

Are you willing to mentor a new exhibitor on Friday? Sure _____ Maybe _____ No, thanks _____

Please check the statement that you feel best describes your experience with hunting:

- ___ I am a total novice, need all the help I can get.
- ___ I've got some experience but I've still got a lot to learn.
- ___ I am very experienced with this hunting program and have dogs with titles

Sunday lunch food order sheet

(please print one for each person ordering a lunch in your party).

Name: _____

Please circle your selections for Sunday Lunch.

(circle one) **Sub Sandwich \$8.00** **Wrap \$10.00**

Type:

Veggie Delite Ham Cold Cut Combo Italian BMT Turkey

Bread for sandwich:

White Wheat Italian

Cheese:

White American

Veggies:

Lettuce Tomato Cucumber Green Pepper Jalapeno Pepper

Banana Pepper Black Olive Onion Pickles

Sauces:

Mayonnaise Mustard

Cookie:

Chocolate Chip Oatmeal Raisin White Chocolate
Macadamian

Side:

Baked Lay's Lay's Classic Doritos Nacho Sun Chips
Potato Chips Potato Chips Cheese

Preferred drink:

Coke Diet Coke Sprite Water

SUMMARY OF RULES AND STANDARD PROCEDURES for PBGVCA Hunting Tests

A complete copy of the PBGVCA Rules and Regulations with desirable qualities and faulty actions in hunting PBGVs can be viewed at [PBGVCA Hunt Rules approved 7/13/2015](#)

Hunting Tests shall be open to all AKC registered or ILP/PAL registered Petits Bassets Griffons Vendéens of six months of age or over on the first day of the event. Spayed or neutered hounds are eligible for entry.

Purpose: The purpose of Hunting Tests for Petits Bassets Griffons Vendéens is to afford an opportunity to demonstrate an individual hound's ability to perform in a manner consistent with the demands of actual hunting conditions. Testing in this manner is to gauge the hound's hunting ability, desirable qualities that indicate ability to be effective and efficient in the pursuit of quarry.

No person acting in the capacity of Hunting Tests Secretary may judge at the event for which that person is acting as Hunting Tests Secretary.

Any dog may be entered in a hunt test stake for which it is eligible, however, it must be noted on the supplementary entry form, if an advertised judge, alternate judge or any member of their family has owned, sold, held under license, boarded, trained or handled the dog within one year of the starting date of the Hunt Test, as this person may not judge the hound. For purposes of this Section, the words "any member of his family" shall include a spouse, a sibling, a parent or a child, whether natural or adopted, of the Judge in question, but shall not extend to other blood or legal relationships.

At the conclusion of the judging for each test, the club shall provide, for the Judges' signatures, the Hunting Test Score Sheets for each pack judged, showing full particulars of all dogs judged.

Titles are awarded based on application to PBGVCA as defined in the Petit Basset Griffon Vendéen Hunt Tests Rules and Standard Procedures.

Time and Running Order: Running order will be assigned by public "Draw" before the beginning of each test. Any handler may choose to declare his hound absent at roll call for any reason, but once declared present, the hound must run unless excused by the judges due to exigent circumstances (illness, injury, death).

Packs may be mixed sexes. Bitches in season may not be on the test field. Fees will be refunded for bitches that come in season after the closing date or a substitution may be made.

Marshals: It shall be the duty of one Marshal to assist the Judges and to carry out their instructions, including regulating and controlling the gallery & seeing to it that the gallery is kept separate from and behind the Judges, and that no one in the gallery talks to the Judges while the dogs are down. Other Marshals shall see to it that hounds are ready when called, and assist the Hunting Test Committee in all other matters necessary for the smooth and expeditious running of each Test.

Gallery: No person shall make any remarks nor give any information which might affect the actions of the persons handling the hounds or the running of the hounds unless information is specifically requested by the Judges. Any person so offending may be expelled from the running grounds on orders from the Judges, and points of merit shall not be allowed any hound whose handler acts upon such information. The Judges must be informed of any such misconduct before the close of the running of the hound(s) in which it occurs, and their decision shall be final.

Handlers: When hounds are cast a handler may speak, whistle, or work his hound in any way he may deem proper if not contrary to these Procedures unless otherwise instructed by the Judges. Hounds must show reasonable obedience to their handler's commands. Minimum run time for the Hunting Instinct Test is 20 minutes. Minimum run time for the Hunt Test is 45 minutes. If the judges indicate to the handlers that the dogs may be scored based on what has been accomplished in the minimum time, the run may be stopped, but only with the agreement of all the handlers, and only if all the dogs have achieved a passing or qualifying score and the gun shyness test has been completed (if applicable).

No hunt test or hunting instinct test run shall be started after 30 minutes following official sunset. The Hunting Test Committee and the Judges shall be responsible for enforcement of this Procedure.

Each hound under judgment must wear a different colored hunt collar or stretch band for easy identification by the Judges. The Judges' evaluation forms will have this collar color and the handler's last name. (Personal collars worn in addition to the colored hunt collar or stretch band must have a fixed circumference with no hanging tags.)

No owner or handler shall have any right to question or refuse to follow the Judges' orders.

Owners and handlers must keep themselves informed as to the running order and progress of the judging and must be ready within hailing distance when their hounds are called by the Marshal on instruction from the Judges.

Severe Training or Correction: The Hunting Test Committee and the Judges shall not permit severe disciplining of hounds on any part of the grounds. **The Committee shall investigate any reports of such conduct or of any other conduct prejudicial to the best interests of purebred dogs, PBGVCA Hunt Tests, or the American Kennel Club, according to Chapter 6, Section 5 of the Petit Basset Griffon Vendéen Hunt Tests Rules and Standard Procedures.**

PBGVCA Hunt Test Title Requirements

The following titles will be awarded upon completion of the necessary prerequisites and application to the PBGVCA Hunt Records Manager ([PBGVCA Hunt Title Request Form](#)). All qualifying scores must be applied towards an appropriate hunt title for which a prerequisite has been earned. High qualifying scores may not be saved for advanced titles.

- The designation of **Hunting Instinct Certified** will be granted to any PBGV passing the Hunting Instinct Test. If requested by the owner (see Section 8) this designation will be indicated by the suffix of HC in all PBGVCA records.
- The title of **Parent Club Junior Hunter** shall be granted to any PBGV receiving three qualifying scores of 100 or better: 1) all from pack stake 2) with a minimum of three different Judges. If requested by owner (see Section 8) this title will be designated by the suffix title PCJH in all PBGVCA records.
- The title of **Parent Club Junior Hunter Excellent** shall be granted to any PBGV receiving three qualifying scores of 100 or better with: 1) two from pack stake, one from brace stake 2) a minimum of three different Judges. If requested by owner (see Section 8) this title will be designated by the suffix title PCJHX in all PBGVCA records.
- The title of **Parent Club Senior Hunter** shall be granted to any PCJH or PCJHX titled PBGV receiving three qualifying scores of 100 or better from pack and brace stakes, any combination, with: 1) a minimum of two qualifying scores of 125 or better, 2) a minimum of three different Judges. If requested by owner (see Section 8) this title will be designated by the suffix title PCSH in all PBGVCA records.
- The title of **Parent Club Senior Hunter Excellent** shall be granted to any PCJHX titled PBGV receiving three qualifying scores of 100 or better from any stake, minimum of two different stakes, with: 1) a minimum of two qualifying scores of 140 or better, 2) a minimum of two different hunt sites, 3) a minimum of three different Judges. If requested by owner (see Section 8) this title will be designated by the suffix title PCSHX in all PBGVCA records.
- The title of **Parent Club Master Hunter** shall be granted to any PCSH or PCSHX titled PBGV receiving one qualifying score of 100 or better in each of three stakes with: 1) a minimum of two scores of 150 or better, 2) a minimum of two different hunt sites, 3) a minimum of three different Judges. If requested by owner (see Section 8) this title will be designated by the suffix title PCMH in all PBGVCA records.
- The title of **Parent Club Master Hunter Excellent** shall be granted to any PCSHX titled PBGV receiving one qualifying score of 100 or better in each of three stakes with: 1) a minimum of two scores of 160 or better, 2) a minimum of two different hunt sites, 3) a minimum of three different Judges. If requested by owner (see Section 8) this title will be designated by the suffix title PCMHX in all PBGVCA records.
- The title of **Rabbit Hunter Excellent** shall be granted to any PBGV receiving 10 qualifying scores of 100 or better in any stake after completing the prerequisite titles of Parent Club Master Hunter and Parent Club Master Hunter Excellent. If requested by owner (see Section 8) this title will be designated by the suffix title RHX in all PBGVCA records. A numerical suffix may be added to the title with each additional 10 qualifying scores, RHX2, RHX3, etc.
- The title of **Elite** after any Parent Club Hunter title shall be granted to any PBGV that has earned a PCJH title or higher and produced a minimum of three Get with: 1) PCSH titles, 2) from two or more different Sires/Dams. Elite Titles may be awarded posthumously. If requested by owner (see Section 8) this title will be designated by the second suffix ELITE after the Parent Club Hunt Title (i.e. PCSH, ELITE) in all PBGVCA records.