

HERDING INSTINCT TESTING (Sunday July 29, 2012 from 11 AM til dusk)

Where: Tehillah Farms, 44210 South Sumas Road, Chilliwack, BC

Directions: From Highway #1, take the Lickman Road exit in Chilliwack and head South. Turn left (east) at the 4 way stop onto South Sumas Road. Tehillah Farms is on the right (south) side of the road. Cost: \$50.00 per dog (paid pre-registration required) Tester: Shelley Fritzke. Shelley is a licensed CKC herding judge who has extensive experience.

You will be contacted with the time of your testing a few days prior to July 29<sup>th</sup>. Bring clothing and footwear appropriate for outdoor weather. Bring a buckle collar and long leash for your dog. THERE WILL BE A PHOTOGRAPHER ON SITE TO CAPTURE THAT SPECIAL MOMENT!

What is herding instinct testing? Although a herding instinct test (HIC) is not an official title in Canada, it is a good way to find out if your dog has herding instinct. The tester does all the work. The owner stays out of the pen – and beams with pride! The tester brings the dog into a round pen on leash and will watch how the dog and sheep react to each other. Among other things, the tester will look for a non-aggressive dog that watches the stock and controls or tries to control their movement. Other things the tester looks for is whether the dog is gathering the sheep, tries to drive them, if the dog likes to work wide or close, how responsive the dog is to the tester, if the dog is willing to work with the tester, and if the dog has natural balance on the sheep. A written critique is provided and an HIC certificate is issued if your dog is successful.

We encourage you to register early. Space is limited and this event is expected to fill quickly. Pre-registration closes on July 25, 2012. If there is space available, entries on the day will be considered. For more information, contact Hedy Rankin at hrankin12@shaw.ca or at 604 462 8036.

Release: I release Shelley Fritzke, Tehillah Farms and the Rottweiler Club of Canada and all volunteers from all responsibility, liability for any injury or claimed damage/loss to me or my dog(s) that I have brought onto this farm. I further agree that in consideration for participation of training my dog(s) or competing with my dog(s) and/or instinct testing of my dog(s), I agree to assume all responsibility for any claim, loss or damage of whatever kind or nature, whether to person or property, which may be caused at or near this training/competition, either directly or indirectly, by me or the dog(s) I have entered in or brought to train. I further agree that I will hold Shelley Fritzke, Tehillah Farms and their families, the trial or clinic committee, other students and their family(ies) and the Rottweiler Club of Canada harmless and defend them from any and all liability for any injury, claimed damage or loss, of whatever kind or nature, whether to person or property, caused at or near this training/competition whether directly or indirectly, by or to me or any dog(s) I have brought for training. I also agree to pay for any damages to the stock (injury or death) caused by my dog whether it be accidental or intentional. Cost per sheep: \$125.00. Tehillah Farms, the trial or clinic committee, Shelley Fritzke, and their family(ies) and the Rottweiler Club of Canada do not have and do not exercise control of the conduct of those present for herding training or events. I certify and represent that the dog(s) I have entered in or brought to this place is(are) not a hazard to other dogs, other animals or to people.