Winter Working Events & Fun

Friday, December 18th – Sunday, December 20th 2026

Hosted by
THE CROOKED RIVER SWISSY CLUB for
THE GREATER SWISS MOUNTAIN DOG CLUB OF AMERICA

CRSC Officers and BOD: Kim Woollard – President | Karen Conant - Vice President |
Gary Stetler - Recording Secretary | Craig Fields – Treasurer | Lesley Fisher & Annette LaPlante - Directors

Draft Trial

Friday, December 18th

Location: Bob & Dawn Fralick's
1980 State RTE 56 NW - London OH 43140

Test Hours begin at 8 AM each day and will continue until all teams have competed. Lunch will be offered – as decided by the judges. All judging will be outdoors.

Entries close at 5:00 PM, Wednesday, December 2nd 2026, after which time entries cannot be accepted, canceled or altered, except as specifically allowed in the GSMDCA Draft Test regulations. The entry fee is $45 for CRSC members - $55 for non-members per single dog or brace.

DRAFT TEST COMMITTEE

- Draft Test Chairperson: Kim Woollard - 937-478-3091 - kim@cherishedswissies.com
- Draft Test Secretary: Annette LaPlante - 616-520-3870 - malaplante@mail.com

DRAFT TEST JUDGES

- Lesley Fisher
- Bob Fralick

Draft Trial 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 06/18/2025).
2. Bitches in season are permitted to compete (see rules and regulations for details).
3. The Basic Control Exercise shall be waived for dogs that have earned an AKC 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.
4. Handlers must provide the draft rig and weight for the freight haul. 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.
5. The handler selects and provides appropriate freight load for the apparatus and the dog.
6. Entrants are responsible for obtaining the GSMDCA Draft Test Regulations and being familiar with them. The GSMDCA Draft Test Rules and Regulations have been revised, dated 11/1/23. Please ensure that you have familiarized yourself with the new regulations.

Entry is limited to fourteen (14) teams total across both trials, whether entered in Novice Draft, Open Draft or Team Draft. If more than 14 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 of their entry status. Alternates will also be drawn and may compete in the absence of regular entries.

Entries close at the Entry Coordinators at 5:00 PM on Wednesday, December 2nd 2026

SCHEDULE
Friday, December 18th:
7:30 AM ……Entrants Arrive & Set Up
8 AM ……Equipment Check
8:30 to 9 AM ……Course Review
Approx 9:30 AM ……Judging Begins

PRIZES
All participants will receive a ring prize and each dog with a passing performance will receive a trophy.

The Test Site
The maneuver course will be held in a fenced field on-site at the Fralick farm.

The Freight Haul course consists of a 1 mile trek primarily along cleared paths through fields and woods. There are at least 3 different surfaces (grass, gravel, and dirt) and a gradual down/upslope where the trail moves around the pond.

Weight Pulls

Friday, December 18th & Saturday, December 19th

Weigh in immediately following the draft trial (no earlier than 1 pm)
Location: Bob & Dawn Fralick's
1980 State RTE 56 NW - London OH 43140

Two weight pull competitions under GSMDCA rules. They will take place under cover outside – they will be on a wheeled cart on carpet over concrete. Craig Fields & Kim Woollard will be our judges. The track is under cover – but, the pull will take place outside in the weather with no indoor place to crate or stay. So, please be aware that this is a December pull in Ohio and the weather will likely be cold. Make sure to plan and dress accordingly! Pre-entry only – no day of pull entries accepted – entries must be received by Wednesday, December 2nd 2026.

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

- $25/dog per pull for CRSC members - $30/dog per pull for non-members
- $15/dog per pull for the veteran class

Trophies will be awarded to the dog(s) who achieve:

- Most Weight Pulled & Most Weight Pulled Per Pound
- Most Weight Pulled Veteran & Most Weight Pulled Per Pound Veteran

Dogs pulling 1st, 2nd, 3rd & 4th place in their respective weight classes will receive a ribbon and prize. Weight classes are as follows:

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

Pack Hikes

Saturday, December 19th & Sunday, December 20th

Weigh in 8:30 a.m.
Estimated start time of 9 a.m.

Saturday Location: Bob & Dawn Fralick's
1980 State RTE 56 NW - London OH 43140

Sunday Location: Prairie Oaks Metro Park Hike
3225 Plain City-Georgesville Road, West Jefferson, OH
East Entrance Parking Lot

The fees to enter your dog(s) each day in the pack hikes are as follows:

- CRSC Members: $25/dog for both hikes or $20/dog for one day hike
- Non Members: $30/dog for both hikes or $25/dog for one day hike
  - Entry forms must be received by Wednesday, December 2nd 2026 – mail completed entry forms to Kim Woollard – 9667 Haines Rd – Waynesville, OH 45068. Make checks out to 'CRSC'.
- Weigh-in each day will start at 8:30 a.m.
- Hikers will head out at 9 a.m.
- We will have a scale on-site to weigh both dogs & packs

There is a 10 mile single day hike offered for Sunday only – Saturday's hike will only be for dogs and handlers doing the back to back hikes (8 miles each day) and participating on both Saturday and Sunday. This will allow us to finish in time on Saturday to move on to the 'fun' activities and photos!

Rules and Regulations can be found at:

www.gsmdca.org/wp-content/uploads/2012/12/GSMDCA-Pack-Hike-Rules-and-Regulations.doc

We welcome people hiking for legs or just for fun!

Other Fun Not To Miss Over the Weekend!!

Christmas Pictures – Saturday we will have a Christmas/Winter backdrop set-up and will be posing dogs for pictures in front of it! Make sure to bring you & your dog's favorite Christmas outfit along if you want something special!

Dog Toy Exchange - Saturday afternoon we will also be having a dog toy exchange. If you'd like to participate please bring a new dog toy valued between $20 - $25 and make sure to remove the tags before you come. We will pile all the toys together, draw numbers, and then let each dog go and pick their favorite toy from the pile!

Chili Cook-Off - We will have a 'chili cook-off' after the Saturday pull – please bring a crock pot full of your favorite chili recipe to plug in and heat during the pictures, toy exchange, and pull. The club will provide crackers, cheese, and sour cream and a prize for the winner. No chili recipe? We also will be looking for a few desserts – let us know if you'd rather bring a dessert! Water and very limited soft drinks will be available – bring your own alcoholic and/or other drinks.

See schedule on next page for approximate start times

Recommended Hotel

Super 8 Columbus West, 5655 Feder Road, Columbus OH 43228, 614-851-1745

La Quinta Inn & Suites, 5510 Trabue Rd, Columbus, OH 43228, 614-878-8844

Red Roof Inn Columbus West, 5001 Renner Road, Columbus, OH 43228, 855-873-6562

Medical Information

Emergency Medical/Surgical Veterinary facility- open 24 hrs

MedVet – Hilliard
614-870-0480
5230 Renner Rd - Columbus, OH 43228

Closest Human Hospital

Madison County Hospital
866-357-4677
210 North Main Street - London, Ohio 43140

Weekend Schedule

Friday, December 18th 2026

- 7:30 am – Draft Trial start
- No earlier than 1 p.m. – Weight Pull weigh-in

Saturday, December 19th 2026

* Come plug in your chili crockpot whenever you get here*

- 8:30 a.m. – Weigh in for pack hike at Bob & Dawn's
- 9 a.m. – Pack Hike start
- 11 am - Holiday pictures
- 1 p.m. – Dog Toy Exchange
- 2 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. – Weight Pull weigh-in
- 2:45 – Weight Pull start
- Estimated 5 p.m. – Chili Cook-Off

Sunday, December 20th 2026

- 8:30 a.m. – Weigh in for pack hike at Prairie Oaks
- 9 a.m. – Pack Hike start

Crooked River Weight Pull Entry Form

Pre-Entries Close: Wednesday, December 2nd 2026 at 5 pm at the Entry Coordinator's address after which time entries cannot be Accepted, Cancelled, or Substituted except as provided in Chapter 11, Section 6, of the Dog Show Rules. Pre-registration for the Weight Pulls is mandatory. A separate Entry Form needs to be completed for each dog entered. The dog's registered name should include any titles earned. Mail the Entry Form(s) plus your check or money order (**payable to: Crooked River Swissy Club)** to: **Kim Woollard – 9667 Haines Rd – Waynesville, OH 45068**

		CRSC Member		Non-Member
Draft Trial (12/18)	☐	$45	☐	$55
Draft Trial Lunch	☐	$20	☐	$20
Weight Pull (12/18)	☐	$25 ($15 vet)	☐	$30 ($15 vet)
Weight Pull (12/19)	☐	$25 ($15 vet)	☐	$30 ($15 vet)
Pack Hike (12/19 & 12/20)	☐	$25	☐	$30
Pack Hike (12/20 ONLY)	☐	$20	☐	$25
Dog Toy Exchange (How Many?)			☐	
Chili Cook-Off				
Chili	☐	Dessert	☐	

Total $_____

****Please make sure to fill out a liability release for each guest coming to the event (page 8) and the applicable Weight Pull, Draft and/or Pack Hike forms for any working events you are entering and include with your entry fees****

AGREEMENT: I agree that I am solely responsible for the actions of myself and the dog ("the dog") that accompanies me in relationship to this entry. I agree that I am attending the event entirely at my own risk, including the risk of Covid-19 or other communicable diseases, and take full responsibility for my own health and safety. In consideration of the acceptance of my entry and the opportunity to participate in this event, I agree to HOLD HARMLESS and INDEMNIFY the following listed parties from any claim for loss, damage or injury alleged to have been caused directly or indirectly by my actions or by the actions of the dog in relationship to this event: the Greater Swiss Mountain Dog Club of America (GSMDCA) and the event-giving club (The Crooked River Swissy Club, a limited liability corporation) or group of individuals, their members, officers, and agents; the owner and/or lessor of the premises; any provider of services at this event; any employees or volunteers of the parties listed here, and any judge at this event. I personally assume all responsibility and liability for any such claim. I agree to be responsible for any loss and expense (including legal fees) incurred by any of the listed parties based on claims related in any way to my participation or the actions of the dog in relationship to this event, whether the claims are made by third parties or by myself. Additionally, I agree to assume the sole responsibility for any loss, damage, or injury (including death) to myself or to the dog in relationship to this event. I agree to RELEASE, INDEMNIFY and promise not to sue the parties listed above for any such loss, damage or injury to myself or the dog, regardless of the cause, and whether or not the loss, damage or injury may have been caused by the negligence of the listed parties. I AGREE THAT ANY CAUSE OF ACTION, CONTROVERSY OR CLAIM ARISING OUT OF OR RELATED TO THE ENTRY, EXHIBITION OR ATTENDANCE AT THE EVENT SHALL BE SETTLED BY ARBITRATION PURSUANT TO THE APPLICABLE RULES OF THE AMERICAN ARBITRATON ASSOCIATION. HOWEVER, PRIOR TO ARBITRATION ALL APPLICABLE GSMDCA BYLAWS, RULES, REGULATIONS AND PROCEDURES MUST FIRST BE FOLLOWED AS SET FORTH IN THE GSMDCA CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS, RULES, REGULATIONS, PUBLISHED POLICIES AND GUIDELINES. I understand that the club holding this event has the right to refuse this entry. In consideration of the acceptance of this entry, I agree to abide by rules and regulations of the Greater Swiss Mountain Dog Club of America (GSMDCA) in effect at the time of these GSMDCA working events and other events and by any additional rules appearing in the premium list for these events. I 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. I agree to conduct myself in accordance with all such Rules and Regulations (including all provisions applying to discipline) and to abide by any decisions made in accordance with them.

GUEST NAME: _____ DATE: _____

GUEST SIGNATURE:_____
(or parent signature if guest is under 18 years old)

EMAIL: _____ PHONE: _____

Draft Entry Information

Dog's Call Name:_____ Breed:_____

DOB:_____ AKC Reg. or ILP #:_____

Registered Name:_____

If dog has earned a CD with the AKC and you'd like to waive basic control, make sure a copy of the certificate is included with your entry

Owner:_____

Complete Address:_____

Owner's Agent (if any):_____

Novice ☐ Open ☐ Novice Brace ☐ Open Brace ☐

Brace Partner (call name):_____

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SIGNATURE of owner or their agent:_____

GREATER SWISS MOUNTAIN DOG CLUB OF AMERICA

WEIGHT PULL LEG/ACE POINTS CONFIRMATION LETTER

Full Registered Name of GSMD (include ALL titles earned to date):

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Call Name: _____ Owner(s) Name: _____

Dog's DOB: _____ Owner Address: _____

Handler: _____ City: _____ State: _____

Phone: _____ Owner Email: _____ Zip Code: _____

Name of Event: Crooked River Winter 2026 Pulls Date of Pull: 12/18 and 12/19 2026
Location City/State: London, OH Organization Hosting/Rules Used: GSMDCA

This portion is to be completed by the **Weight Pull Judge**:

Judge's Name: Kim Woollard Judge's Address: 9667 Haines Rd – Waynesville OH 45068

Judge's Phone: 937-478-3091 Website Results will be posted on (or N/A): NA

Email: kim@cherishedswissies.com Signature: _____

Type of Pull (Wheels, Snow, Rails): Conditions of Surface (carpet, dirt, uphill, etc.):

Wheels **Carpet - Level**

Weight of Dog: _____ Class Entered: _____

Top Weight Pulled: _____ Placement (including MWP/MWPP): _____

Time: _____ Multiple of Body Weight: _____

Complete This Portion When Redeeming Title(s):

WP Title Leg Earned (circle one): WWD WWDX WWDS

WP Title Leg Redeemed (circle one): WWD WWDX WWDS

Number of ACE Points Earned: _____

Please save completed confirmation letters until you have enough to redeem them for the title(s) that you wish to use them for: 4 x WWD (10x on wheels, 5x on snow, 14x on rails), 4 x WWDX (15x on wheels, 10x on snow, 21x on rails), and/or 3 x WWDS (20x on wheels, 15x on snow, 28x on rails). When you want to redeem the legs/points that your dog has earned, please upload COPIES of your confirmation letters at: http://www.gsmdca.org/report-a-new-title/ Updated: Sept 2023

Incomplete forms will be rejected. Please make sure you have all the details filled in and the judge signs the paperwork.

By signing this entry form, you are taking full responsibility for all actions of all your dogs. You agree to keep full control of your dogs at all times. You are also releasing the Event Organizer (referenced above), the owner of the facility at which the event is being held, their employees or representatives and the Greater Swiss Mountain Dog Club of America and all of its members of all liabilities regarding any possible injuries to your dogs or to yourself. By signing you also acknowledge that you have received a copy of the GSMDCA weight pull rules and that you are responsible for understanding the content.

Owner's/Responsible Party's Signature: _____

Greater Swiss Mountain Dog Club of America

Working Pack Hike Event
Handler Entry Form

Hike dates: December 19th and/or 20th 2026

Registered Name			
AKC Registration #		DOB:	Call Name:
Sire's Registered Name			
Dam's Registered Name			
Names of Owners			
Address of Owner			
Name of Handler (if different from owner)			
Location of Pack Event	Bob & Dawn's – London, OH – Saturday Prairie Oaks Metro Park – West Jefferson, OH - Sunday		Entry Fee: $25/both or $20 for Sunday only
Description of Hike	A combination of maintained prairie grasslands along with more rugged trails with a fair amount of mildly strenuous hills.		
Weight of Dog:	Weight Carried:	Percent Carried:	Title:

Pack Dog Events are a strenuous physical activity. The owner and handler of registered dog accepts full responsibility for the conditioning and condition of both dog and human participant. The Greater Swiss Mountain Dog Club of America will not be held liable for any injuries occurred to either dog or humans.

I certify that I have completed the required prerequisite 6 mile training hike with full pack weight as specified in the GSMDCA Pack Hike Regulations.

Signature of Owner/ Handler: _____

For Pack Event Coordinator only
Name: Kimberly Woollard
Address: Waynesville, OH – 937-478-3091 – kim@cherishedswissies.com

Signature:

First and foremost hikes are to be conducted with the safely and well-being of the GSMDs and handlers in mind. The Hike Coordinator is authorized to make any necessary decision, including disqualification, to protect the safety and well-being of the GSMDs and handlers.

Handlers—Please keep this form until you have the required number of legs for a title. This form is proof that you successfully completed a leg. When you have completed the required number of legs for a title, please submit them to:

Tiffany Patten - **tiffany.patten@yahoo.com**