

## **Moon Rising Farm**

21800 Slidell Road, Boyds, MD 20841

### **Learning Sheepdog herding trial**

**November 22<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2025**

This will be run like a regular novice trial offering ranch, pro novice and novice novice. The difference is that the emphasis will be on education. Immediately after each run the judge will give the handler verbal feedback about the run including where points were lost. If a handler is struggling or disqualified, then the judge will offer advice.

Every handler will be given the opportunity to scribe and exhaust sheep.

The judge will be **Linda Tesdahl**, who will be the American judge at the USBCHA National finals this year. She has over 35 years of experience raising, training and trialing Border Collies. She has trialed and judged across the country including major double-lift events like Soldier Hollow and Meeker. She is a passionate teacher and takes pride in helping handlers of all levels reach their potential.

The trial field is 3 acres with hilly terrain. The sheep are a mix of cheviot, cheviot crosses and Katahdin that are all used to being worked by dogs.

Schedule: 2 runs on Saturday for each level. 1 run on Sunday for each level. Entries are limited to 20 dogs.

Awards: Since the emphasis will be on education, a most improved handler and most improved dog award will be decided by the judge.

Cost: \$180 per handler (for 3 runs) due to the opportunity to get (one on one) feedback from the judge.

Limited camping may be offered but there are no hook ups. Please contact Rebecca at 240.277.0039 to discuss.

Beverages and a light breakfast of pastries will be provided in the morning, and lunch will also be provided.

Entries close November 10<sup>th</sup>. No refunds after this date. Checks will be deposited on the closing date. For questions, please contact Rebecca Roach at [roachrebecca1@gmail.com](mailto:roachrebecca1@gmail.com) or text/call 240-277-0039

## Moon Rising Farm Learning Trail entry form

Send completed entry with check to: Moon Rising, LLC

21800 Slidell Road

Boys, MD 20841

Handler name: \_\_\_\_\_

Handler address: \_\_\_\_\_

Handler email: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell number: \_\_\_\_\_

Dog \_\_\_\_\_

Level \_\_\_\_\_

Would you like to scribe? \_\_\_\_\_

STATEMENT OF RESPONSIBILITY RELEASE OF ALL CLAIMS Release executed on (please print date) \_\_\_\_\_ by (please print name)

\_\_\_\_\_(releasor) to Rebecca Roach and Moon Rising Farm at 21800 Slidell Road, Boyds, Maryland 20841, (releasee). I, releasor, being of lawful age, in consideration of being permitted to participate in sheep herding lessons, clinics, dog trials, or use of sheep on Moon Rising Farm for practice or use of a motorized vehicle, do for myself, my heirs, executors, administrators and assigns, do release and forever discharge Rebecca Roach, their heirs, administrators and executors, successors and assigns, of and from any and every claim, demand, action or right of action, of whatever kind or nature, either in law or in equity arising from or by reason of any bodily injury or personal injuries known or unknown, death or property damage resulting or to result from any accident that may occur as a result of my participation in sheep herding lessons, clinics, dog trials, or use of sheep for practice or use of a motorized vehicle, or any activities in connection with sheep herding lessons, dog trials, clinics, or use of sheep on their farm for practice, or use of a motorized vehicle whether by negligence or not. I further release all persons from any claim whatsoever on account of first aid, treatment or service rendered me during my participation in sheep herding lessons, dog trials, clinics, or use of sheep on their farm for practice, or use of a motorized vehicle. \* Killed/injured sheep fee -\$350.\* This release contains the entire agreement between the parties to this release and the terms of this release are contractual and not a mere recital. Releasor further states that (he/she) has carefully read the foregoing release and knows the contents of the same and signs this release as (his/her) own free act. Releasor has executed this release at 21800 Slidell Road, Boyds, Maryland, the day and year first above written. I am responsible for any costs incurred as a result of damages caused by me, my family, and my guests, and any dogs under my care, to facilities, animals or persons. Signed

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