

DOBERMANN CLUB OF THE CAPE

In conjunction with
Cape Bullmastiff Club, Western Province Boxer Club

APTITUDE TEST

Date: 09/10th May 2015 (Sat & Sun)
Closing Date: 24th April 2015
Time: 08h00 each day. Allow approx 45 mins per dog
Venue: To be advised
Cost: R250.00 per dog
Test Leaders: Mr Mike Eisler KZN & Mrs E Gallant (KZN)
Judges: Mrs Marlien Heystek, Mr Selvin Lewis & Ms Lulu Maree
Marshalls: Ms Lynn Etheridge, Mr Barry-Jon Kannemeyer,
Ms Michelle Martin & Ms Nicky Robertson

Minimum Age at time of Testing: Aptitude – 22 Months on day of test
D.M.A – 12 Months on day of test

Only dogs in good health will be tested. No bitches in season permitted

Aptitude Testing is essentially for Working Breeds, but can include some Hunting, Herding or Utility Breeds should any fanciers desire it. It tests steadiness of character, hunting drive, sociability, the ability to unwind rapidly after stressful situations etc.

This test was developed by the Swedish military. At present it is widely used in Scandinavian countries for pet animals too and has been approved by KUSA as a mental testing method.

Training is non-important, and dogs could be either trained or non-trained, as it simply reacts to a variety of stimuli, such as a mechanical rabbit, noises, shapes or creatures. The dog is put under some mental, but no physical stress between exercises; the dog is allowed to unwind totally before commencement of the next exercise.

Although it is a non-mandatory test, the successful animal will receive a title, which will appear on their KUSA Reg. Certificates. It is a useful medium for discovering the mental make-up of one's breed or pets and can be of great use in any breeding programme.

Entries & Enquiries to: Ms F la Grange, 52 Rembrandt Avenue, De la Haye, Bellville, 7530
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Entries on a KUSA form please. Please indicate Day & time of choice.

Payment may be made directly into our bank account and proof of entry to be faxed

Bank details: FNB (Thibault Square) Branch Code: 202509, Account Number: 54620027019.
(Please add R16.00 to each cash deposit to cover bank charges)

Please note: entrants should arrive at least 1 hour before their test to watch the tests. (All are welcome to stay for the whole day).

DO NOT FEED YOUR DOGS 24 HRS PRIOR TO THE TEST

Refreshments will be available but do bring chairs and water for your dogs.

NB No movement or leaving of the grounds during the test is allowed. Once started no one may leave the actual test area at all. No dogs are to be exercised or run off lead or loose during the tests.

NB All exhibitors /handlers are personally responsible for the control of their dogs at all times and shall be personally liable for any claims which may be made in respect of injuries which may arise or be caused by their dogs

NB In the event of the non-availability of any test leader/judge/marshall the club to appoint another.

Club Officers: Chairman – F la Grange, Hon Sec – A O'Leary, Treasurer – B Townes