

The Rottweiler Club of Canada proudly presents a Herding Instinct Test!

Come one, come all...Hope to see you in beautiful Abbotsford BC

All Breeds are welcome! This is a fund raiser for our club please come out and support us. We'd sure love to see you there!

WHEN? Sunday September 15, 2013 from 11 AM til dusk

WHERE? Address is 1234 McCallum Road, Abbotsford, BC

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 September 15. 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. Preregistration closes on September 12, 2013. If there is space available, entries on the day will be considered. For more information, and/or a registration form please contact Hedy Rankin at hrankin12@shaw.ca or at 604 462 8036.

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