

Secretary's Report

These reports detail the day-to-day activities of the ASCA Board of Directors. It includes issues brought before the Board of Directors through mail, fax, e-mail, and/or telephone communications.

ASCA Board of Directors Email Motions

March 2014

14.13 ASCA Foundation on Website

Approve: Unanimous

Disapprove: 0

Abstain: 0

Non-Voting: 0

Motion carries.

Motion: Gray

Second: DeChant

I move to have the office create a write-up on the description/purpose and services of the ASCA Foundation and a donation page for the ASCA Website.

Comment: Since we have a way for members and others to give a tax-deductible donation to the ASCA Foundation, it would be beneficial for us to have that information on the website.

14.14 Committee Procedures: Rewrite Sections 6 & 7

Approve: Unanimous

Disapprove: 0

Abstain: 0

Non-Voting: 0

Motion carries.

Motion: Gray

Second: Silveira

I move the ASCA Board of Directors rewrite Section 6 Fixed Schedule and Section 7 Random Schedule, of the Committee Procedures, to reduce the amount of time required for the discussion and vote period of issues brought before the Committees.

From:

6. Fixed Schedule:

a. Motions and seconds are due to the Chairperson by the first of each month. If a motion comes after the first it will be held over till the first of the next month before it is stated by the Chair. Motions that come in after the first of the month may be discussed by the Committee but the official comment period will not start until after the Chair states the motion on the first.

- b. From the second (2nd) through the fifteenth (15th) of each month will be the comment period.
- c. Beginning the sixteenth (16th) of each month through the twenty-fifth (25th) of each month will be the voting period.

To:

6. Fixed Schedule:

- a. Motions with seconds are due to the Chairperson by the first of each month. If a motion comes in after the first it will be held over until the first of the next month before it is stated by the Chair. Motions that come in after the first of the month may be discussed by the Committee but the official comment period will not start until after the Chair states the motion on the first.
- b. From the second (2nd) through the eighth (8th) of each month will be the comment period.
- c. Beginning the ninth (9th) of each month through the fifteenth (15) of each month will be the voting period.
- d. Vote results will be reported to the Committee and Liaison as soon as the deadline is reached.

From:

7. Random Schedule:

- a. As the motions with a second come in for consideration, the Chair immediately distributes the motions to the Committee and the Board Liaison
- b. Chair sets a two-week deadline with a due date for receipt of comments back from the Committee. All comments to be distributed to all Committee Members and Board Liaison.
- c. A ten (10) day voting period with a stated due date will be set at the end of the comment period. If the Committee is working on one topic at a time during the ten-day voting period, another motion can be distributed and discussed.

To:

7. Random Schedule:

- a. As the motions with a second come in for consideration, the Chair immediately distributes the motions to the Committee and the Board Liaison.
- b. The Chair sets a seven (7) day deadline with a due date for receipt of comments back from the Committee. All comments are to be distributed to all Committee Members and Board Liaison.
- c. A seven (7) day voting period with a stated due date will be set at the end of the comment period. If the Committee is working on one topic at a time during the seven day voting period, another motion can be distributed and discussed.
- d. Vote results will be reported to the Committee and Liaison as soon as the deadline is reached.

Effective 30 days after publishing in the Times.

Comment: Committees have expressed an interest in a shorter motion/voting schedule. One Committee specifically requested a seven day discussion period with a seven day vote period. The present motion is changed from the previous motion to reflect the suggested changes by a number of Directors.

04:05 Agility: ACE Senior Dog

Approve: Bryant, DeChant, Gray, Hardin, King, Kissman, Roberts, Silveira

Disapprove: 0

Abstain: Gann

Non-Voting: 0

Motion carries.

Motion: Roberts

Since the ACE Program passed, I move to approve the below motion.

This motion passed with

Yes - 11

No - 1

Non-voting - 1

Should the ACE program pass, this creates a Senior Dog division so dogs 10+ competing in the ACE program may take a further height reduction.

Motion 1-2014

Motion by Sherry

Second by Carol

Section 2.5.4 Jump Height Tables for the ACE Standard Division proposal reads:

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The Standard Division jump heights are: 4" (ACE program), 8", 12", 16", 20", 20+" and 24". Clubs must offer all ASCA Standard Division jump heights at trials. The 24" jump height is an optional jump height for the dog in the Championship program and class placements may be combined with the 20+" class. Clubs shall offer separate classes and placements for each division in both the Championship and ACE programs for dogs measuring over 18" but under 20" and dogs measuring over 20".

Dogs entered in the Junior Handler Division classes may jump at the dog's standard jump height or 4" lower.

In the Standard Division in the Championship program, a handler may enter a dog at a jump height higher than the minimum height the dog is required to jump. A dog jumping at a higher jump height will be scored and have the course time of the jump height class in which the dog participates.

The following table lists the maximum height required in each jump height category.

JUMP HEIGHT TABLE - Dog's Height at Withers for ASCA Sanctioned Trials

Championship Program					
	Small Dogs	Medium Dogs		Large Dogs	
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Junior Handler Division	Withers 11" & under Jump 4" or 8"	Withers 14" & under (>11" & <14") Jump 8" or 12"	Withers 18" & under (>14" & <18") Jump 12" or 16"	Withers 20" & under (>18" & <20") are in the 16" or 20" class Jump 16" or 20"	Withers over 20" are in the 16+" or 20"+ class Jump 16" or 20" (may jump 24")
Veterans Division	Withers 11" & under Jump 4"	Withers 14" & under (>11" & <14") Jump 8"	Withers 18" & under (>14" & <18") Jump 12"	Withers 20" & under (>18" & <20") are in the 16" class Jump 16"	Withers over 20" are in the 16"+ class Jump 16"
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Jump Height Metric Conversion 4" (10.2 cm), 8" (20.3 cm), 12" (30.5 cm), 16" (40.6 cm), 20" (50.8 cm), 24" (61 cm) ~ shown to one decimal place to be more accurate.

Proposed changes to Section 2.5.4 Jump Height Tables:

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Senior Dog Division	Withers 11" & under Jump 4"	Withers 14" & under (>11" & <14") Jump 4"	Withers 18" & under (>14" & <18") Jump 8"	Withers 20" & under (>18" & <20") are in the 12" class Jump 12"	Withers over 20" are in the 12"+ class Jump 12"

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CHAPTER 4 – ACE PROGRAM (Agility Competition Enthusiast) - SANCTIONED CLASSES, DIVISIONS AND LEVELS

Section 4.1 General Descriptions - for the ACE Standard Division proposal currently reads:

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Each dog and handler team can only enter either the Championship program or ACE program on any one day of a trial. Points from the two programs will be separate and will not be combined except for certain elite titles from the Championship program that may be moved to the ACE program. The ‘transferring’ of points will only be made once and must be requested in writing and sent to the Business Office.

In ASCA sanctioned trials, qualifying rounds executed at a level higher than that needed for a lower level ASCA requirement shall be credited for points needed at the lower level title. Note: dogs moving from the Championship program to the ACE program will be allowed to compete at a lower level if a qualifying score at a higher level has been obtained in the Championship program. However, once a dog earns a qualifying score at a higher level in the ACE program, it can no longer return to compete at a lower level within the ACE Program.

The following lists the classes, divisions and levels of ASCA certified classes.

Class	Division	Level	Class	Division	Level	Class	Division	Level
Regular	Standard	Novice	Jumpers	Standard	Novice	Gamblers	Standard	Novice
Regular	Standard	Open	Jumpers	Standard	Open	Gamblers	Standard	Open
Regular	Standard	Elite	Jumpers	Standard	Elite	Gamblers	Standard	Elite

Proposed changes to CHAPTER 4 – ACE PROGRAM (Agility Competition Enthusiast) - SANCTIONED

CLASSES, DIVISIONS AND LEVELS

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Regular	Standard	Open	Jumpers	Standard	Open	Gamblers	Standard	Open
Regular	Standard	Elite	Jumpers	Standard	Elite	Gamblers	Standard	Elite
Regular	Senior Dog	Novice	Jumpers	Senior Dog	Novice	Gamblers	Senior Dog	Novice
Regular	Senior Dog	Open	Jumpers	Senior Dog	Open	Gamblers	Senior Dog	Open
Regular	Senior Dog	Elite	Jumpers	Senior Dog	Elite	Gamblers	Senior Dog	Elite

Section 4.3 Divisions - for the ACE Standard Division proposal currently reads:

Section 4.3 – Divisions

4.3.1 Standard Division

The Standard Division is open to any dog aged 18 months or older. The Standard jump height for all dogs entered in the ACE program will be 4” lower than in the Championship program. Course times for dogs in the ACE program will be 10% greater than the Standard Division dogs in the Championship program.

Proposed changes to Section 4.3 Divisions - for the ACE Standard Division

Section 4.3 – Divisions

A handler may not enter a dog in more than one division of the same class round on any one day of a trial. If a dog is entered in the Standard Division of the first round of a Jumpers Class, then that dog could not also be entered in the Senior Dog Division of the same round of the Jumpers Class on the same day at the same show. However, if a dog is entered in the Senior Dog Division of the first round of a Jumpers Class, that dog could be entered in the Standard Division of the second round of a Jumpers Class. If a dog is entered in a specific Division for one class, it is not required that the dog be entered in the same Division for all other classes for that day. For example: A handler might enter a ten (10) year old dog in the Senior Dog Division of the Regular Agility Class, and the Standard Division of the Gamblers Class. If six classes are offered on one day (i.e. two regular, two gamblers, two jumpers), the dog may only be entered in each class once, regardless of the program or division entered.

4.3.1 Standard Division

The Standard Division is open to any dog aged 18 months or older. The Standard jump height for all dogs entered in the ACE program will be 4” lower than in the Championship program. Course times for dogs in the ACE program will be 10% greater than the Standard Division dogs in the Championship program.

4.3.2 – Senior Dog Division

The Senior Dog Division is open to any dog age ten (10) or older. The dog's age shall be determined by the dog's actual birthday or the closest date as known. Dogs entered in the Senior Dog Division will jump 4" (10.2 cm) lower than their standard jump height the ACE program. Course times for dogs entered in the Senior Dog Division of the Regular Agility and Jumpers classes shall be 10% greater than the SCT for the Standard Division in the ACE program. The maximum course time shall remain the same as the Standard Division.

Section 10.10 ASCA Agility Title Abbreviations – ACE Program :

10.10.1 Basic Titles -- for the ACE Standard Division proposal reads:

10.10.1 Basic Titles

The following chart lists the basic titles for all classes levels and division:

CLASS	DIVISION	LEVEL	TITLE
Regular	STANDARD	Novice	RSA-N
Regular	STANDARD	Open	RSA-O
Regular	STANDARD	Elite	RSA-E
Jumpers	STANDARD	Novice	JSA-N
Jumpers	STANDARD	Open	JSA-O
Jumpers	STANDARD	Elite	JSA-E
Gamblers	STANDARD	Novice	GSA-N
Gamblers	STANDARD	Open	GSA-O
Gamblers	STANDARD	Elite	GSA-E

Proposed changes to Section 10.10.1 Basic Titles:

The following chart lists the basic titles for all classes levels and division:

CLASS	DIVISION	LEVEL	TITLE
Regular	STANDARD	Novice	RSA-N
Regular	STANDARD	Open	RSA-O
Regular	STANDARD	Elite	RSA-E
Regular	SENIOR DOG	Novice	RSDA-N
Regular	SENIOR DOG	Open	RSDA-O
Regular	SENIOR DOG	Elite	RSDA-E
Jumpers	STANDARD	Novice	JSA-N
Jumpers	STANDARD	Open	JSA-O
Jumpers	STANDARD	Elite	JSA-E
Jumpers	SENIOR DOG	Novice	JSDA-N
Jumpers	SENIOR DOG	Open	JSDA-O
Jumpers	SENIOR DOG	Elite	JSDA-E
Gamblers	STANDARD	Novice	GSA-N
Gamblers	STANDARD	Open	GSA-O
Gamblers	STANDARD	Elite	GSA-E
Gamblers	SENIOR DOG	Novice	GSDA-N
Gamblers	SENIOR DOG	Open	GSDA-O
Gamblers	SENIOR DOG	Elite	GSDA-E

Section 10.11 Combining Qualifying Scores/Points from Different Divisions in ACE Standard Proposal reads:

Section 10.11 Combining Qualifying Scores/Points from Different Divisions – Championship Program

10.11.1 Combining Qualifying Scores/Points from different Divisions for Novice, Open, Elite titles

A competitor may combine existing qualifying scores/points earned from any Division in the Championship program. For example, if 10 points have been earned toward the Open Jumpers title in the Standard division in the Championship program these points may be credited toward the Open Jumpers title in the Veteran Division in the Championship program. When the dog earns an additional 10 points in Veteran Open Jumpers in the Championship program, the Jumpers Veteran Open (JV-O) titling certificate will be awarded. Note: if a dog earns a qualifying score in the Veteran Division in the Championship program and returns to compete in the Standard division in the Championship program, any subsequent titles earned in that class will have the Veteran Division designation in the Championship program.

10.11.2 Combining Qualifying Scores/Points from different Divisions for Outstanding / Superior Titles

A competitor may combine existing qualifying scores/points earned from any Division in the Championship program. For example, qualifying scores/points earned in the Junior Handler or Standard Division in the Championship program may be combined with scores/points from the Veteran Division in the Championship program towards an Outstanding or Superior title in the Veteran Division in the Championship program. If a dog earns a qualifying score in the Veteran Division in the Championship program and returns to compete in the Standard Division in the Championship program, any titles earned in that class will have the Veteran Division designation in the Championship program.

10.11.3 Crediting Qualifying Scores/Points from different Division towards the ATCH title

A competitor may combine qualifying scores/points earned from any Division in the Championship program. Once the Elite title is earned in any one class in the Championship program, any additional points in that class in any Division in the Championship program will be combined and credited towards the ATCH title.

A new corresponding section (to 10.11) will be added for the ACE Senior Dog proposal. This will be Section 10.12. The ACE Standard proposal Section 10.12 Transferring points between the Championship and ACE Programs will change to 10.13.

10.12 Combining Qualifying Scores/Points from Different Division - ACE program

10.12.1 Combining Qualifying Scores/Points from different Divisions for Novice, Open, Elite titles

A competitor may combine existing qualifying scores/points earned from any Division in the ACE program. For example, if 10 points have been earned toward the Open Jumpers title in the Standard division in the ACE program these points may be credited toward the Open Senior Dog title in the Senior Dog Division. When the dog earns an additional 10 points in the Senior Dog Open Jumpers, the 'Jumpers Senior Dog-Open' (JSDA-O) titling certificate will be awarded. Note, if a dog earns a qualifying score in the Senior Dog Division and returns to compete in the Standard division, any subsequent titles earned in that class will have the Senior Dog Division designation.

10.12.2 Combining Qualifying Scores/Points from different Divisions for Outstanding / Superior Titles

A competitor may combine existing qualifying scores/points earned from any Division. For example, qualifying scores/points earned in the Standard Division in the ACE program may be combined with scores/points from the Senior Dog Division towards an Outstanding or Superior title in the Senior Dog Division. If a dog earns a qualifying score in the Senior Dog Division and returns to compete in the Standard Division, any titles earned in that class will have the Senior Dog Division designation.

10.12.3 Crediting Qualifying Scores/Points from different Division towards the ACE title
A competitor may combine qualifying scores/points earned from any Division. Once the Elite title is earned in any one class, any additional points in that class in any Division will be combined and credited towards the ACE title.

Section 10.13 (new for the ACE Standard Division proposal) reads:

10.13 Transferring Points between the Championship and ACE Programs

Points from the ACE program may not be transferred to the Championship program.

Elite points from any division in the Championship program may be transferred to the Standard Division in the ACE program, provided they have not already been used to obtain an RS-E, RV-E, RJ-E, JS-E, JV-E, JJ-E, GS-E, GV-E, GJ-E or an ATCH title. For example:

- If 50 points have been earned in Elite Jumpers Standard division, 20 of those points were used for the JS-E title. The remaining 30 points can be transferred to the Elite Jumpers Standard division in the ACE program, towards the ACE certificate.
- If 150 points have been earned in Elite Regular Standard division, 30 of those points were used for the RV-E title. The remaining 120 points can be transferred to the Elite Regular Standard division in the ACE program, towards the ACE certificate.
- If 300 points have been earned in Elite Regular Standard division, 150 points have been earned in the Elite Jumpers Standard Division and 150 points have been earned in the Elite Gamblers Standard Division, then 30 of the Regular points were used for the RS-E title, 20 of the Jumpers points were used for the JS-E title and 20 of the Gamblers points were used for the GS-E title. In addition, 200 Regular points, 100 Jumpers points and 100 Gamblers points were used for

the ATCH title. So, the remaining 70 Regular points, 30 Jumpers points and 30 Gamblers points can be transferred to the ACE program.

04:05 Agility: Change to 4" Gamble Time

Approve: Bryant, DeChant, Gann, Gray, Hardin, King, Kissman, Roberts, Silveira

Disapprove: 0

Abstain: 0

Non-Voting: 0

Motion carries.

Motion: Roberts

I move to approve the below motion.

Motion 6-2014

Motion by Sherry

Second by Gary

Yes - 8

No - 2

Abstain - 2

I'd like to make a motion to change the gamble base times and include the 4" dog's time with the 8"/12" dogs, removing the 4" time from the Gamble Base Times table.

The rationale is to simplify the gamble times that need to be entered into the timer. The timers can store up to 8 gamble times. With the current base gamble times, it's common to need to program more than 8 gamble times into the timer. With the change, the Veteran division dogs jumping 4" will get the same time they did before the gamble times were changed to go by the jump heights rather than Standard and Veteran divisions. The Standard division dogs jumping 4" will get 1 more second than they did before the gamble times were changed.

Section 6.5 – Course Time

The table, Gamble Base Times currently reads:

Jump Height	20"/20"+24"	16"	12"/8"	4"
Elite	14	16	18	20
Open	15	17	19	21
Novice	16	18	20	22

Change to:

Jump Height	20"/20"+24"	16"	12"/8"/4"	
Elite	14	16	18	
Open	15	17	19	
Novice	16	18	20	

06:05 Rally: Renumbering of Signs and Pivots (All Levels)

Approve: Bryant, DeChant, Gann, Hardin, King, Kissman, Roberts, Silveira

Disapprove: 0

Abstain: Gray

Non-Voting: 0

Motion carries.

Motion: Gann

I move to approve the attached Rally motion.

Rally Committee Motion 13-12: Renumbering of Signs and Pivots at all levels

Motion passed

Approve - 8

Subject: Renumbering of ASCA Rally signs; Allowance of 90 degree pivots at all levels

Motion by: Karen Black

Second by: Karen Souza

Beginning of motion: I move to renumber the Rally signs, to facilitate course design and improve accuracy of courses being used at trials. Additionally, the 90 degree pivots will be available to all levels which increase the right and left turn options at the advanced level from 4 choices to 6 choices which will aid in course design.

Old #	New #	Basic Description	Novice	Advanced	Excellent	Masters	Stationary
1	1	Heeling & Conduct	N	A	E	M	
4	2	Halt Fast	N	A	E	M	S
17	3	Fast	N	A	E	M	
18	4	Slow	N	A	E	M	
19	5	Normal	N	A	E	M	
6	6	Halt 1-2-3	N	A	E	M	S
58	7	Call Dog Front 1-2-3 Backwards	N	A	E	M	S
21	8	360 Right	N	A	E	M	
22	9	360 Left	N	A	E	M	
25	10	Right Turn	N	A	E	M	
26	11	270 Left	N	A	E	M	
27	12	90 Pivot Right	N	A	E	M	S
32	13	Left Turn	N	A	E	M	
33	14	270 Right	N	A	E	M	
34	15	90 Pivot Left	N	A	E	M	S
37	16	About Turn	N	A	E	M	
38	17	U Turn	N	A	E	M	
39	18	Left About Turn	N	A	E	M	

70	19	Spiral Right	N	A	E	M	
71	20	Spiral Left	N	A	E	M	
72	21	Serpentine Cones One Way	N	A	E	M	
73	22	Serpentine Cones Down & Back	N	A	E	M	
84	23	Sit Stay	N	A	E	M	
85	24	Down Stay	N	A	E	M	
3	100	Halt Down	N				S
7	101	Halt Stand	N				S
50	102	Halt Front Dog Finish Right Halt	N				S
51	103	Halt Front Dog, Finish Left Halt	N				S
52	104	Call Dog Front Return Right	N				S
53	105	Call Dog Front Return Left	N				S
2	120	Halt	N	A			S
15	121	Down	N	A			S
20	122	Moving Side Step	N	A			
63	123	Halt Walk Around Dog	N	A			S
64	124	Halt Down Walk Around Dog	N	A			S
74	125	Off Set Figure 8	N	A			
12	200	Halt Stand Walk 3 Steps Return		A	E		S
65	201	Halt Stand Walk Around Dog		A	E		S
66	202	Moving Stand Walk Around Dog		A	E		S
8	220	Halt Down Sit		A	E	M	S
40	221	Halt About Turn		A	E	M	S
41	222	Halt U Turn		A	E	M	S
54	223	Call Dog Front Finish Right Forward		A	E	M	S
55	224	Call Dog Front Finish Left Forward		A	E	M	S
56	225	Call Dog Front Finish Right Halt		A	E	M	S
57	226	Call Dog Front Finish Left Halt		A	E	M	S
5	300	Halt Slow			E	M	S
9	301	Halt Stand Sit			E	M	S

10	302	Halt Stand Down			E	M	S
11	303	Halt Side Step Right Halt			E	M	S
24	304	Double Left About			E	M	
28	305	Halt Right One Step Call to Heel			E	M	S
42	306	About Turn Halt			E	M	S
43	307	U Turn Halt			E	M	S
44	308	Halt 180 Pivot Right			E	M	S
45	309	Halt 180 Pivot Left			E	M	S
59	310	Halt Call Front Finish Right Halt			E	M	S
60	311	Halt Call Front Finish Left Halt			E	M	S
67	312	Moving Down Walk Around Dog			E	M	S
75	313	Off set Figure 8 w/ Distractions			E	M	
78	314	Back 3 steps			E	M	
81	315	Send Over Jump			E	M	
13	400	Moving Stand Walk 3 Steps Down				M	S
14	401	Moving Stand Walk 3 Steps Signals				M	S
23	402	Side Step Forward Halt				M	S
29	403	Halt Pivot Left x 3				M	S
30	404	270 Left Halt				M	S
35	405	Halt Pivot Right x 3				M	S
36	406	270 Right Halt				M	S
48	407	Left About Halt				M	S
46	408	Moving Stand Walk 3 Call Heel				M	S
47	409	Moving Down Walk 3 Call Front				M	S
76	410	Serpentine One Way w/ Distractions				M	
77	411	Serpentine Down & Back w/ Distractions				M	
79	412	Halt Back 1 Step Halt				M	S

Comments: The signs were initially numbered by the type of exercise. Renumbering as seen above will make it easier for judges and exhibitors, by keeping level specific exercises together, rather than scattered though out the list of exercises. Judges will be able to see much easier that they have met the level specific exercise requirements. Exhibitors will know at a glance what level the signs are in. Signs below 100 are available for all levels. Signs between 100 -119 are available for Novice only. Signs between 120- 199 are signs eligible for Novice and Advanced levels. Signs in the 200s are reserved for Advanced and above. Signs 300 - 399 are Excellent and above, not available for Novice or Advanced. 400 - 499 are Masters only signs. Using large sequences of numbers for each group will allow for future growth in the program. A new set of signs will be available in the new order with the new exercise numbers. Additionally, a set of stickers will be available for those affiliates, judges, and exhibitors

who already own a set of signs to place over the sign number, thus eliminating the need to re-print the entire set.

Parties Impacted: Affiliates, Judges and Exhibitors. There is no impact on the Business Office, beyond uploading the new files by the webmaster.

Comments from committee member Karen Black:

From the beginning of ASCA Rally there has been talk about how the ASCA Rally Signs were numbered and how confusing it can be. One example is the 90-degree pivots. They have been allowed in Novice, Excellent and Masters but when nesting courses, the judges would have to remember to switch out that sign for Advanced. Exhibitors have frequently voiced confusion regarding the numbering of signs. Judges make mistakes in course design due to the way the signs are organized. Renumbering the signs in level specific orders will make life simpler for the exhibitors and judges and we should see fewer errors on course design. This will have a positive impact on consistency and accuracy of courses used in ASCA Rally. I realize there will be some pushback, but I truly believe after the change (we all know people resist change) ASCA will be in better shape moving forward. Thanks.

94:01 Stockdog: Change Rule 8.4.2

Approve: Bryant, DeChant, Gann, Gray, Hardin, King, Kissman, Silveira

Disapprove: Roberts

Abstain: 0

Non-Voting: 0

Motion *carries*.

Dissent from Roberts: I don't believe that the current system is broken.

Motion: Kissman

I make a motion to change Rule 8.4.2 regarding the procedure that a Stockdog Apprentice uses to apply to work a sanctioned trial during their Apprentice process.

Passed

02-06-14 Apprentices contacting Stockdog judge.

Maxine Schvaneveldt moved and Pam Watson seconded to change the following rule:

Old rule:

8.4.2 Trial Application: An Apprentice Judge wishing to work sanctioned trials must make an application to the Business Office no less than 30 days prior to the date of the trial.

Only those trials that are sanctioned will be accepted for meeting the required number of trials. The application shall state the host club, date, and name of the ASCA Judge whom they will be working with.

Change to:

8.4.2 Trial Application: An Apprentice Judge wishing to work sanctioned trials must first contact the judge(s) he/she wishes to apprentice with and then, upon judges approval, make an application to the Business Office no less than 30 days prior to the date of the trial.

Only those trials that are sanctioned will be accepted for meeting the required number of trials. The application shall state the host club, date, and name of the ASCA Stockdog Judge(s) whom they will be working with. The judge and apprentice would need to have an additional time available to complete the forms and training.

Rationale: To allow judges to know ahead of time who is wanting to apprentice under them and to make sure they have the appropriate time to spend with apprentice.

Effective date to be next new rule book.

Passed: 10

Not Approved: 1

Comments:

Lindy Epperly: Although I am in agreement that the apprentice should be required to contact the judge to discuss with the judge time limitations, the pros and cons of apprenticing at that trial, and what they can expect to learn from the experience, I think it will be harmful to the program if judges are allowed to refuse to have an apprentice.

Maxine Schvaneveldt: I feel this is only common courtesy and if a judge is pressed for time at a trial that can be discussed ahead of time with the apprentice.

94:01 Stockdog: Clarify Rule 3.12.5 (Course E, Obstacle 5)

Approve: Unanimous

Disapprove: 0

Abstain: 0

Non-Voting: 0

Motion carries.

Motion: Kissman

I make a motion to clarify Rule 3.12.5, Course E, Obstacle 5 concerning the intent and manner in which the livestock is supposed to navigate Obstacle 5.

Passed

02-05-14 Clarify rule 3.12.5 Course E, Obstacle 5

Dan Sanderson made a motion and seconded by James Bergert to clarify rule 3.12.5.i, Course E, Obstacle 5, concerning the intent and manner in which the livestock is supposed to navigate the obstacle. This is not a change to the existing rule, merely a clarification of the understanding of how it should be run. This motion also stipulates the opening size and direction of navigation for the Duck/Geese arena. The Effective Date of the motion will be the date that the next Rule Book is printed following approval by the Board of Directors and subsequent publication in the Aussie Times.

Change from:

i. Obstacle 5: Obstacle 5 is a chute consisting of two 12' panels parallel to each other with a 20' opening. The bottom of each panel (closest to the re-pen end of arena) will be placed on the Advanced Handlers' Line with the right hand panel situated perpendicular to Obstacle 1/Obstacle 4. For Ducks/Geese Obstacle 5 is a chute consisting of two 4' - 5' panels parallel to each other with an 8' opening. The right hand panel shall be even with the end of the left hand side of the panel which makes up the Obstacle 1/Obstacle 4. The dog is to put the stock through the entrance of the opening between Obstacle 4 and Obstacle 5, then turn in a counter-clockwise turn and drive the stock to the opening of the chute, through the chute and out the exit (bottom end of chute). When at least one head of stock passes through the parallel panels, then no further course points can be counted.

To receive course points, at least one head of livestock must pass the plane between the parallel panels. If the stock passes through the obstacle from the wrong direction, at least one head must be driven past the plane of the panels so that DAYLIGHT can be seen by the Judge between the line and the stock. The stock then must be turned around to attempt the obstacle in the correct direction. Ability to control livestock points for this work will be subject to the manner in which the movements around the obstacle were executed. Obstacles 1, 2, 3, and 4 must be attempted before attempting the chute as described in Chapter 3, Section 11.4. (Effective 1 January 2014)

Change to:

Obstacle 5: Obstacle 5 is an "L" shape obstacle made up of two openings and must be completed in one, single "L" shape manner/motion. The first opening is a 15' opening created by the panel closest to, and perpendicular to, obstacle 4 and the outer edge of the panel of obstacle 4. The second opening is two parallel 12' panels placed 20' apart. The bottom of each panel (closest to the re-pen end of arena) will be placed on the Advanced Handlers' Line with the right hand panel situated perpendicular to Obstacle 1/Obstacle 4. The right hand panel shall be even with the end of the left hand side of the panel which makes up the Obstacle 1/Obstacle 4. The dog is to put the stock through the entrance of the opening between Obstacle 4 and Obstacle 5. Then, turn the livestock in the direction needed to drive the stock to and through the alley then out the exit at the bottom end of alley. When at least one head of stock passes through the parallel panels, then no further course points may be counted. To receive course points, the livestock must travel through the opening created between obstacle 4 and obstacle 5, as well as through the alley created by the parallel panels. If the livestock fail to move through one or both of the openings, course points will be deducted accordingly. Ability to control livestock points for this work will be subject to the manner in which the movement through the obstacle was executed. Losing livestock from the desired "L" path will result in a loss of control points. Obstacles 1, 2, 3, and 4 must be attempted before attempting Obstacle 5 as described in Chapter 3, Section 11.4. Daylighting: If the stock passes through either opening from the wrong direction, at least one head must be driven past the plane of the panels of the first opening so that DAYLIGHT can be seen by the Judge between this plane and the stock. The stock then must be turned around to attempt the obstacle in its' entirety and in the correct direction. For Ducks/Geese Obstacle 5 is an "L" shape made up of two openings. The first opening is

an 8' opening created by the panel closest to and perpendicular to obstacle 4 and the outer edge of the panel of obstacle 4. The second opening is two parallel 4'-5' panels with an 8' opening.

Rationale: There has been confusion regarding the intended correct navigation of this obstacle. There had been nothing stipulating the livestock was intended to move in an "L" direction, resulting in various methods of completing the opening. In the original rule, no mention of two openings is made, which resulted in no correct pathway for completing the entire obstacle. This will help in defining and separating obstacle 5 from obstacle 4 to create two different obstacles.

Passed: 11

Comments:

Dan Sanderson: When this rule was re-written to allow Course D, E, & F to better fit in a minimum size arena, the path the livestock was intended to travel was confusing and unclear. It did not require the stock move through the obstacle in the intended manner. This change clearly states the manner and pathway the livestock is supposed to travel.
Linda Bell: I would like to see a diagram placed with this description as well, but it is still an improvement over what we currently have.
Maxine Schvaneveldt: Housekeeping.

94:01 Stockdog: Clarify Rule 12.8.3

Approve: Bryant, DeChant, Gann, Gray, Hardin, King, Kissman, Silveira

Disapprove: Roberts

Abstain: 0

Non-Voting: 0

Motion **carries**.

Motion: Kissman

I make a motion to clarify Rule 12.8.3 regarding the number of times that the livestock may be used in each Go-round of the ASCA Stockdog Finals.

Passed

02-04-14 Clarify rule 12.8.3 regarding livestock use in per round in Finals

Lindy Epperly made, seconded by Dan Sanderson, a motion to clarify the rule for stock runs in the Finals go-rounds. The Effective Date of the motion will be the date that the next Rule Book is printed following approval by the Board of Directors and subsequent publication in the Aussie Times.

Current:

12.8.3 In the Elimination go-round, the stock will be used no more than twice.

Change to:

12.8.3 In each of the three go-rounds the stock may be used only once. In the event of a tie after the elimination go-rounds, the number of head per run in the final go-round

may be reduced from the number announced to ensure that no stock is used more than once while still keeping in accordance with rule 12.8.2

Exception: In the event of a tie and run-off at the end of the final go-round, the livestock may be used a second time for the run-off.

Rationale: To ensure a level playing field for all of the contestants each contestant deserves to have stock that is as even as possible. This was the intent of the original rule.--there are two go-rounds in the elimination go-round and the stock can be used no more than twice in the elimination go-round. This is a clarification of that rule. The addition of what happens in cases of ties allows for adjustments to stock so that there will not need to an unreasonable amount of extra stock kept on hand in case of ties.

Passed: 10

Not approved: 1

Comments:

Dan Sanderson: This is not a change to the existing requirements. It does not increase the number of livestock currently required, but merely clarifies to the host club and Course Director the number of head of livestock needed for each class of stock. This requirement was poorly written when this rule went into effect and has been surrounded by ambiguity since its' inception. Upon speaking with the original makers of this rule, the intent has always been as stated in this clarification.

Linda Bell: This is what we essentially have been doing, it is a clarification, and furthermore, it ensures that in the future we continue to strive to keep as level a playing field for contestants as possible. There will always be the 'luck of the draw'.

Maxine Schvaneveldt: This will make sure the playing field is even. There is too much variance if stock is reused in go rounds.

Jan Wesen: The comments received were that we decrease the cost of stock. This may not be a change but it doesn't decrease the stock.

94:01 Stockdog: Correct 3.12.4.k (Course D), 3.12.5.k (Course E), and 3.12.6.k (Course F)

Approve: Bryant, DeChant, Gann, Gray, Hardin, King, Kissman, Roberts, Silveira

Disapprove: 0

Abstain: 0

Non-Voting: 0

Motion carries.

Motion: Kissman

I make a motion to correct the error in the description of the open handler line found in Rule 3.12.4.k (Course D), 3.12.5.k (Course E), and 3.12.6.k (Course F) regarding the set up for ducks/geese.

Passed

02-01-201 Correct the error in the description of the open handler line found in 3.12.4.k (Course D), 3.12.5.k (Course E), and 3.12.6.k (Course F) regarding the set up for ducks/geese.

Dan Sanderson make a motion and Maxine Schvaneveldt to correct the error in the description of the open handler line found in 3.12.4.k (Course D), 3.12.5.k (Course E), and 3.12.6.k (Course F) regarding the set up for ducks/geese. The wording is identical in each course description currently found in the January 2014 rule book, so this change will encompass all three course descriptions simultaneously. The Effective Date of the motion will be the date that the next Rule Book is printed following approval by the Board of Directors and subsequent publication in the Aussie Times.

Change from:

Ducks/Geese: The Advanced Handler Line will be determined by the same method. The Open Handler Line will be 8' from and parallel to the plane of Obstacle 1 toward the re-open end of the arena and across the width of the arena.

Change to:

Ducks/Geese: The Advanced Handler Line will be determined by the same method. The Open Handler Line will be 8' from and parallel to the plane of Obstacle 2 toward the re-open end of the arena and across the width of the arena.

Rationale: This corrects an error in the original writing of this rule and found in the January 2014 rule book. Without this correction, the open handler line is essentially the same as the advanced handler line, offering no chance to assist the dog that has not reached the advanced level. This will establish the correct positioning of the Open Handler Line for the three courses listed.

Passed: 11

Comments:

Linda Bell: Housekeeping.

ASCA Board of Directors Teleconference Meeting

Thursday, March 13, 2014

Present: President Ann DeChant, 1st Vice President Preston Kissman, 2nd Vice President Rick Hardin, Secretary Ken Silveira, Director Rick Gann, Director Linda Gray, Director Allison Bryant, Director Cindy King, Executive Secretary Kalla Jaco, Counsel Charles Carnese.

There is a quorum, with 8 voting members of the Board present.

President DeChant called the meeting to order at 7:07 PM CDT.

Stockdog Judge

The Board discussed the qualifications of an Apprentice Stockdog Judge applicant. The applicant was recommendation by the Stockdog Committee, but several Directors had

reservations. Counsel's recommendation was to approve, and utilize the apprentice level as a probationary approval.

- Treasurer Jean Roberts joined the meeting at 7:11 PM.
- Carnese left the meeting at 7:21 PM.

Ratification of February Email Votes

I move to approve the February email votes.

Motion: Bryant

Second: Hardin

All present approve; Motion carries.

Review of February Financial Reports

Treasurer Roberts reported on ASCA's financials through February, 28, 2014. There is \$184,446.33 in the checking account, \$284,591.46 in the savings account, and \$100.00 in the wire account. Nothing of note to discuss.

I move to approve the financial report.

Motion: Gray

Second: Silveira

All present approve; Motion carries.

Disqualified Dog Reinstatement Request

The Board discussed the reinstatement procedure in place for disqualified dogs. The procedure will be further discussed at the Spring Meeting. They also discussed the circumstances surrounding the original disqualification of the dog requesting reinstatement. ASCA's liability in the case of a repeat incident was also discussed.

14.15 Initiate Reinstatement Process for Skyhi OMalleytheAlleyCat Crusnby (E178019)

I move that we grant Debbie Crusenberry, the owner of Skyhi OMalleytheAlleyCat Crusnby (E178019), permission to continue with the reinstatement process.

Motion: Silveira

Second: Gray

Approve: DeChant, Bryant, Gray, Hardin, King, Kissman, Silveira; Disapprove: Roberts; Abstain: Gann; Motion carries.

14.16 Effective Dates for March Motions

I move to remove the effective dates of the 2 Agility motions (04:05 Agility: ACE Senior Dog and 04:05 Agility: Change to 4" Gamble Time) and Rally motion (06:05 Rally: Renumbering of Signs and Pivots (All Levels)) before the Board for a vote.

Motion: Miller

Second: Silveira

Motions are by default effective 30 days after publication and placement in current rulebook.

All present approve; Motion carries.

14.17 Set DQ Reinstatement Fee

I make a motion that the fee for the request to start the reinstatement process be set at \$50.

Motion: DeChant

Second: Silveira

All present approve; Motion carries.

At 8:45 PM, all present approved adjournment of the meeting.

Other Action:

- New ASCA Approved Breeder Judge Karen M. Roesner
- New ASCA Approved Breeder Judge Nancy Pelletier
- New ASCA Provisional Breeder Judge Susan B. Winters
- New ASCA Senior Breeder Judge Ronnie Bates
- New ASCA Regular Stockdog Judge Allison Bryant

This report is respectfully submitted by Kalla Jaco, Executive Secretary.