



23rd ANNUAL
HARVEST MOON MANIA
ASCA SANCTIONED*
ALL BREED AGILITY TRIAL
Open to ALL Dogs

Hosted by
The Australian Shepherd Club of New England

(ASCNE)
(*Sanctioning pending)

October 13-14, 2018
Westfield Fairgrounds
135 Russellville Road, Westfield, MA 01085

JUDGE:
John Raymond, NH

CLASSES OFFERED:
Regular (2 Runs Saturday, 3 Runs Sunday)
Jumpers (1 Run Saturday, 1 Run Sunday)
Gamblers (2 Runs Saturday, 1 Run Sunday)
For Novice, Open, and Elite
Championship STD/VET/JrH and ACE STD/SR Dog Divisions
For Exhibition Only (FEO) Entries accepted

LIMITED TO 350 Runs per Day
Entry by Postmark Date (not delivery date)
Please be sure that the envelope postmark is legible.
Hand stamping by the Post Office is recommended.

NO POSTMARKS EARLIER THAN August 18, 2018

ENTRIES/MOVE-UPS CLOSE October 3, 2018

Please enter early, Trial secretary will be away Sept 18-Oct 1st.

Look for separate premiums for Conformation,
Stock, Rally and Obedience Shows.

NOTICE TO EXHIBITORS

This trial will be held under the current rules and regulations of ASCA. Exhibitors, through submission of an entry, acknowledge that they are knowledgeable of current ASCA rules and regulations and agree to abide by all rules in effect at the time of this trial, including, but not limited to, the following:

- This trial is open to all dogs being at least eighteen (18) months of age, including purebred and non-purebred, except bitches in season, dogs suffering from any deformity, injury or illness that may affect the dog's physical or mental performance, or dogs exhibiting any signs of aggression towards people or other dogs.
- Dogs are not required to have an ASCA Registration, ASCA LEP, or Q Tracking number to enter this trial. However, to receive ASCA titling certificates, refer to the next bullet. Handlers do not need to be ASCA members. However, no entry will be accepted from anyone not in good standing with ASCA or any dog/handler disqualified from the ASCA agility program.
- Receipt of ASCA Titling Certificates –
In order to have ASCA qualifying legs tracked and to receive ASCA titling certificates, each non-ASCA registered dog will be required to have an ASCA Q Tracking Number. This is a one-time fee of \$10/dog. At the time of applying for the Q tracking number, the individual owner must also be an ASCA member (minimum membership type of Service). ASCA membership does not need to be maintained in subsequent years. It will be the responsibility of the owner to identify to ASCA the shows and legs earned when applying for a Q Tracking Number after ASCA qualifying legs have already been earned. The ASCA Membership and Q Tracking Number Application form is included in this premium. For additional membership information, please go to www.asca.org.
- Current jump height table, breed exemption list, description of classes, levels, and divisions can be found at ASCA's web site.
- THE MANAGEMENT will not be responsible for the loss or damage to any dog exhibited, or for the possessions of any exhibitor whether the result was by accident or any other cause. It is distinctly understood that every dog at this event is in the care and custody and control of his owner or handler during the entire time the dog is on the show premises. Any exhibitor whose dogs and/or children create unnecessary disturbances or repeatedly engage in unsafe or disruptive behavior may, at the discretion of the Show Committee be asked to leave the show site. In such case, no refund of fees paid will be made and the ASCA office will be informed of the problem.
- AGILITY OBSTACLES: slatted rubberized A-Frame (height 5'6") dog walk, slat-less rubberized Teeter, open tunnels, non-winged jumps, winged jumps, double bar jump, displaceable tire and 24" weave poles.
- Safety shall always be of foremost consideration in actions and conduct by handlers at all times.
- No leads, collars, food, toys, other aids or devices will be permitted on the course or within 10 feet of the rings at any time.
- No entry shall be accepted from a handler or for a dog disqualified from the ASCA Agility program, disqualified from all ASCA programs, or anyone not in good standing with ASCA.

RULES & REGULATIONS:

ASCA rules: ASCA Business Office, 6091 E State Hwy 21, Bryan, TX 77808.
Web: www.asca.org; e-mail: activities@asca.org.

TRIAL COMMITTEE

Agility Trial Chairpersons	Judi Schachte jschachte@frontiernet.net 845-518-2805
Trial Secretary	Kelly Bowie kellybowie@gmail.com 518-321-9679
Chief Ring Steward(s)	Robin Goodman & Lyn Scribner
Chief Course Builder(s)	Wendy Richmond
Chief Scorekeeper	Josh Bowie
Equipment Supplier	MAX 200

FOOD / VENDORS

There will be a food truck on the premises.

ENTRY FORM / ENTRIES / CONFIRMATIONS:

- Entries will be accepted in the order they are sent, not received. For entries sent via Postal Service, the valid reference date is the postmark. Otherwise the valid date is the ship date. Entries with an early postmark will be processed after Day 5 receipts. Unreadable postmarks will be assumed to be the day previous to receipt.
- **Entries may be accepted after the closing date if the trial does not fill with an additional \$5 fee per dog entered.**
- ASCA Registration/ Q Tracking No - If your dog is an ASCA registered Australian Shepherd (either full registration or LEP) or has an ASCA Q Tracking Number, write your dog's ASCA registration/LEP number/ Q Tracking Number in this space. If this field is left blank, the ASCA Business Office will assume this dog is not registered with ASCA and will not automatically track qualifying legs. However, these dogs will still be placed and will receive any placement awards offered. You may submit the Q Tracking Form with your entry – HOWEVER, please make this fee payable to ASCA.
- A dog must compete in the height division in which they have been entered. Exception: when a dog is required by the judge to move to a higher height. These dogs will be placed last in the running order of the new jump height. A few smaller breeds are on the Jump Height Exemption List. Refer to the current ASCA rulebook for this breed list.
- Canadian Exhibitors: All fees MUST be submitted in US Funds via International Postal Money Order.
- Returned checks do not constitute a valid entry fee. Returned checks will incur a \$25 service charge.
- Telephone calls returned/initiated with questions on any entries will be made collect.
- Please include an email address on your entry form(s) to receive confirmation of pre-entries.
- Need HELP to fill out your entry? Feel free to ask the Trial Chair or Trial Secretary.
- **FOR EXHIBITION ONLY (FEO)** entries will be accepted. Minimum age is 15 months. Any dog younger than 18 months must jump at least 4" lower than regular height. No placements. Non-titling.

SHOW SITE:

- This event will be held outdoors, on grass.
- A warm-up area including a single practice jump and a set of weave poles will be provided for exhibitors.
- ALL dogs must be held on leash or crated except when competing or in the warm-up area.
- Enthusiasts of agility have earned a reputation for being among the most considerate and tidy. We thank everyone in advance for upholding the respectful tradition of leaving the trial site and related lodging sites cleaner than we found them.
- Please have your dog's rabies certificate available.

REFUNDS / WITHDRAWALS:

- There will be no refund/credit for entries withdrawn after the closing date, with the following exceptions. These entries will be eligible for a refund for the amount of the total entry fee paid less \$20.00. A written request must be received by the trial secretary prior to the start of the trial.
 - a dog's injury and/or illness (requires a signed letter from your veterinarian)
 - for bitches that come into season after the closing date (requires a signed letter from your veterinarian)
 - a dog is affected by an ASCA quarantine following the National Specialty (can demonstrate the dog has been affected by attending the National Specialty or has been in contact with a dog that attended the National Specialty). Refer to ASCA Agility Rules Section 1.3.7 Communicable Disease for full text of policy.
- There will be no refunds if the trial cannot open or be completed by reason of riots, civil disturbances, fire, an act of God, public emergency, act of a public enemy, strike, or any other cause beyond the control of the Event Committee.
- There will be no refund in the event dog/handler is dismissed from the competition, regardless of reason.

RULE CHANGE HIGHLIGHTS

- Jumps will not be reset during gamblers. If faulted (zero points awarded), the tire jump may not be re-used for points in the opening sequence. If a jump (including the tire) in the required 'gamble sequence' is used in the opening point accumulation period and the bar/tire is displaced, the 'gamble sequence' will end at that obstacle and no more gamble points will be awarded.

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE AND RING ASSIGNMENT

- Saturday – EJ1, OJ1, NJ1, EG1, OG1, NG1, EG2, OG2, NG2, ER1/ER2, OR1/OR2, NR1/NR2. Run order low to high.
- Sunday – ER3, OR3, NR3, EG3, OG3, NG3, ER4/ER5, OR4/OR5, NR4/NR5, EJ3, OJ4, NJ4. Run order high to low.
E=Elite, O=Open, N=Novice, PN=Pre-Novice, J=Jumpers, R=Regular, G=Gamblers
- The running order of classes is subject to change at the discretion of the judges and/or the host club. The final order will be included in the confirmation email.

REGISTRATION / MEASURING/General Briefing/ Walk Thrus for first class

- Registration: Saturday 7:00am - 7:30am, Sunday 7:00am - 7:15am
- **Day of entries (if trial not full) will be taken during registration PRIOR to general briefing. There will be an additional charge of \$5 per dog entered for day of entries.**
- General briefing Saturday and Sunday at 7:45, first dog on the line no later than 8 am
- **Dogs with a wither height ≤ 20" will need to show proof of measurement or be measured at registration, unless the dog is jumping in the highest jump height offered in the specific program.** Copies of ASCA, NADAC or AKC height cards may either be mailed in or presented at registration.

MOVE-UPS

- Dogs receiving titles after the closing date may be upgraded by providing written notice to the Show Secretary, prior to the move up cutoff date listed on the front of this premium. Letters and e-mails containing the owner's full name, the dog's call name and ASCA number, entered class, and from and to level are acceptable.
- Move-ups from Saturday to Sunday will be permitted. Trial Secretary must be notified no later than 15 minutes after the last classes Saturday have finished.

PRIZES / AWARDS

- Green Qualifying Rosettes will be awarded to all dogs achieving a qualifying score.
- Placement Ribbons will be awarded to all dogs placing 1st through 4th in each class and jump height.
- Championship 20+ and 24 jump heights will be scored and placed together as one class.
- Ribbons/prizes must be picked up during the weekend. Ribbons WILL NOT be mailed

JUMP HEIGHTS

Dog's height at withers	11" & under	14" & under	18" & Under	20" & Under	Over 20"	Over 20" Optional
CH Standard	8"	12"	16"	20"	20+ (jumps 20")	24"
CH Vet	4	8	12	16	16+ (jumps 16")	
CH JrH	may jump at the CH standard jump height or 4" lower					
ACE Standard	4"	8"	12"	16"	16+ (jumps 16")	
ACE Senior	4"	4"	8"	12"	12+ (jumps 12")	

- A dog may be entered in a class at a jump height higher than they are eligible provided the dog is not entered in the Veteran Dog Division classes.
- No dog shall ever jump lower than 4" in the Junior Handler or Veteran Dog Division.
- Refer to the current ASCA rulebook for the current Breed Jump Height Exemption List.

ACCOMMODATIONS - Make your Reservations Early!!!

Directions to Westfield Fairgrounds:

From Interstate 91: Take Exit 15, Holyoke Mall at Ingleside. Turn left at bottom of ramp. Go to second set of lights and turn right onto Homestead Ave. At next light turn left onto Rt. 202. Go approximately 5 miles. Cross Rt. 10 (at light) and go to cemetery on the left. At stop sign turn left. Show site is on the left, about 1 1/2 miles.

From the Massachusetts Turnpike—I-90: Take exit 3. Turn right at the light at the end of the ramp. Go about 100 ft. and make a right onto Arch Road. (Westfield Motor Inn/Westfield Quality Inn is on the corner.) Go about 1.5 miles. With the Southern States Building on your right, make a left onto Cabot Road. Go to the end of Cabot and make a right onto Russellville Rd. Show site is a short distance up on the right.

BYO POT LUCK DINNER

Saturday Night at 6:00 P.M.

Everyone participating at Harvest Moon Mania is invited to join in an evening feast in the white covered building. Bring whatever you'd like to contribute and bring your preference of drinks for yourself. Main dishes, side dishes, salads and desserts will all be readily devoured. Plates and utensils will be provided.

Emergency Veterinarian

VCA Montgomery Road Animal Hospital
207 Montgomery Road, Westfield, MA 01085
Phone: 413-568-1745

ATCH?

If there is any "possibility" of receiving an ATCH this weekend, please return this with your entries so we can have a bar and ribbon available for you.

Dog's Name: _____

Handler's name: _____

Hotels that accept dogs are quickly becoming a rarity. Please behave responsibly! Clean up after your dog, bring sheets to cover the furniture, do not groom or bathe your dog inside, do not leave your dog(s) unattended in the room, and please be respectful of other guests who do not have to be up at 6:00 a.m.

Quality Inn, 2 Southampton Road, Westfield, MA 01085, (413) 568-2821. A block of rooms has been reserved for ASCNE. \$84.95 for King, \$94.95 for 2 queen beds. Reservations must be made prior to Sept.11 for the reduced rate. Pet fee waived

Red Roof Inn 1254 Riverdale St, West Springfield, MA 01089 413-731-1010 No pet fee.

Comfort Inn, 237 Russell Road, Route 9, Hadley, MA 01035 (413) 584-9816 Pet Fee: \$25 first night,

Days Inn, 450 Memorial Drive, Chicopee, MA 01020, (413) 739-7311 Pet Fee: \$20

Quality Inn, 463 Memorial Drive, Chicopee, MA, 01020, (413) 592-6171 Pet Fee \$15

Camping on grounds with limited electric and water hook-ups. First arrivals get the first pick with hook-up. No reserved spots except for show committee. Please only parallel park in spaces provided along fence opposite the agility area. Camping reservation form is on the following page.

SOME MOTEL COURTESIES TO OBSERVE:

- Cover the motel's bedding with a sheet, whether or not you think your dog will get on the bed.
- If you crate your dog, please bring a towel to put under the crate to keep marks off the rug. Bring a towel to put under your dog's food dish.
- Make every effort to have your dog free of fleas BEFORE arriving.
- All poop must be picked up, bagged, and disposed of properly by the dog's handler. The Event Committee will excuse competitors who fail to pick up after their dogs at the trial site or the motel.
- Don't leave your dog unattended. If you must leave, take them with you.

ATTENTION

We encourage you to get your entries in as soon as possible.

Both the Agility trial chair and Secretary will be attending ASCA Nationals from Sept 18 – Oct 1st.

No confirmations will be sent during that time and there will be limited responses to email.