

# WORKING AUSTRALIAN SHEPHERD CLUB of UPSTATE NEW YORK

(WASCUNY) ASCA SANCTIONED Agility Trial February 24 & 25, 2024

> at High Goal Farm Greenwich, NY Indoors on mats

Judge: Chuck Klein, NC

Championship Program (Standard, Veteran Dog & Jr. Handler) ACE Program (Standard & Senior Dog)

## **CLASSES OFFERED:**

Saturday – 1 Jumpers, 3 Regular, 2 Gamblers Sunday – 2 Jumpers, 2 Regular, 1 Gamblers **Entries limited to 350 runs per day** 

Entries open Wednesday January 10, 2024 Entries close Saturday, February 17, 2024- Pre-entries & Day of entries(7.15-7.45 am each day) will be accepted after closing date for a \$10 surcharge – if trial is not full.

Entries postmarked before the opening date WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED. Entries will be accepted by order of postmark. Entries cannot be canceled after the closing date. This trial will be held under the current rules and regulations of ASCA.

# TRIAL COMMITTEE

Trial Chairperson: Michelle Morgan, 518-843-0665,morganmish@gmail.com Trial Secretary: Jennifer Fuller, 518-935-0290, sweepndaisy@hotmail.com Chief Course Builder: Tom Gooding Chief Ring Steward: Michelle Morgan Chief Scorekeeper: Jennifer Fuller

# **TENTATIVE SCHEDULE**

Saturday & Sunday mornings: Check-in & measuring will start at 7:15 am Judges briefing and walk thru at 7:45 am. First dog on the line 8:00 am. **Saturday**: Elite to Novice, Small-Tall. Gamblers 1 EON, Regular 1 & 2 EE, OO, NN, Gamblers 2 EON, Regular 3 EON, Jumpers 1 EON. **Sunday**: Elite to Novice, Tall-small. Jumpers 2 & 3 EE, OO, NN, Gamblers 3 EON, Regular 4 & 5 EE, OO, NN.

(Committee reserves the right to change the class run order.)

# SHOW SITE / Trial Information

- The trial will be run indoors on mats in one 80' x 120' ring.
- Follow Parking Rules and Directions
- Dogs requiring measurement should be measured prior to their first run. Dogs with a wither height of 20" or less will need to be measured unless they have a permanent AKC, NADAC or ASCA height card
- Trial equipment provided by High Goal Farm as follows: Rubberized, slatted, 5'6 A-frame, rubberized Dog walk & teeter – unslatted, wing jumps, non-wing jumps, displaceable tire, tunnels, double jump, weave poles 24" spacing.
- We will provide snacks for workers. There are several restaurants within a short distance of the fairgrounds with curbside pickup or delivery.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON SITE SEE: <u>https://www.highgoalfarm.com</u> **Medical Care:** Northway Animal Emergency clinic, 35 Fawn Rd. Gansevoort, NY 12831 518-692-2227, 24h emergency care Capital district Veterinary Emergency Clinic, 222 Troy Schenectady Road, Latham, NY 518-785-1094 24h Care

# **ON SITE CAMPING**

Camping available on site, in close proximity to show building. Contact Wendy Cerilli directly. <u>agilitytraining@yahoo.com</u>

Please pick up after your dog and check your set up space and camping site for dog hair.

### **HOTELS**

Please be sure to verify that the hotel accepts dogs – some have additional fees for pets. Remember to respect the property of your host hotel inside and out!

# MOTEL/HOTEL COURTESIES TO OBSERVE

We are counting on you to be on your best behavior in order to maintain the working relationship with our motels and hotels. Our hard-earned reputation, as well as our ability to continue hosting trials, is certainly on the line and dependent on YOUR cooperation. We follow up on any complaints from motel owners or guests, so please report any issues to us.

- Double check on rates and charges. Call to confirm your reservation a few days before arriving.
- Please be honest about how many people and dogs will be staying in the room.
- Of course, as in standard agility procedure, all handlers/owners will pick up after their dogs. Please bag and dispose of dog waste properly.
- Do not groom dogs in rooms.
- Keep dogs off furniture. Please cover the motel's bedding with a sheet or blanket from home, whether or not you think your dog will get on the bed.
- Be sure to report any damage which may occur.
- Do NOT leave dogs unattended.

# DIRECTIONS TO TRIAL SITE NOTICE TO EXHIBITORS

#### From North

Take the Northway (87) south to exit 14. \*\*Follow signs to 29 East . 9 miles on Rt 29 to Schuylerville, right at Cumberland Farms . 0.3 Miles to light , take left (29E). Follow 29 for 2.7 miles and turn right on Rt. 40 South. Left at Bulson Rd (Elk's Club). After 0.4 miles take right at Hegeman's bridge Rd. After 0.2 miles take left onto Louse Hill Rd. After 0.3 miles take a right onto High Goal Farm Driveway. Please don't park on the grass .**From South:** Take 87 to exit 24 , follow signs to Montreal travel north to exit 14 , then \*\***From Western New York** 

# Take I-90 East (NYS Thruway) to Exit 24 (Albany). Take I-87 North (Adirondack Northway) to Exit 14. then \*\* **From East:**

Take the Mass Turnpike to NYS Thruway to Exit 24 . Take 87 north to exit 14 then \*\*

This trial is sanctioned by the Australian Shepherd Club of America, with The Working Australian Shepherd Club of Upstate New York as the sponsor club. Exhibitors, through submission of entry, acknowledge that they are knowledgeable of ASCA rules and regulations, and agree to abide by all rules in effect at the time of this trial.

- All healthy, trained dogs over eighteen (18) months of age are eligible to compete in ASCA agility trials. Dogs entering in ANY level of classes do NOT have to have an ASCA registration or QTracking number. Application for QTracking number can be obtained at: https://asca.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/06/qtsvcapp.pdf. Bitches in heat, lame, or blind dogs are ineligible for entry, as is any dog with a deformity, which may cause a judge to not be able to reasonably assess the dog's ability to function and perform agility obstacles safely, and in a manner that is in the best interest, health and welfare of the dog. Any dog which demonstrates aggression towards any person or any dog, whether inside the ring or outside the ring, must be excused from the agility trial. Any dog which the judge feels is not in enough control to perform all obstacles in a safe manner will be excused from the agility trial.
- This ASCA agility trials shall be open to purebred and mixed breed dogs.
- No bitches in heat allowed on grounds.
- No collars, food, toys, clickers, or other aids or devices shall be permitted on the course or within ten feet of the ring entrance at any time. The only exception to this is leading your dog to the start on lead, and then handing the lead to a steward. All dogs should be on leash or in a crate or pen when not competing.
- Safety shall always be the foremost consideration in actions and conduct by handlers at all times.

The organizing committee may NOT refuse any entry other than on the basis expressly provided through rules and regulations of the sanctioning organization(s). Anyone not currently in good standing with ASCA will not be allowed entry into the trial.

The sponsoring club 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, 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 Trial/Show Committee, be asked to leave the show site. In such case, no refund of fees paid will be made.

#### **COVID 19:** Current NY state and county restrictions can be found at: forward.ny.gov

• If you are not feeling well, please stay home. If you have been or think you may have been exposed to COVID 19 or are caring for someone who may have it, please stay home.

#### **Rule Changes:**

Toys in the ring. Toys may be brought in the ring for training purposes. These toys may not involve food or treats of any kind, may not make noise or leave parts behind. All handlers declaring toys will mark the gate sheet with a "T" at the run check in and will run at the end of the jump height. Upon entering the ring, handlers must declare to the judge that they have a toy. They will be immediately eliminated whether or not the toy is used and will have the specific time for training in the ring. If handlers bring a toy in the ring without declaring it, they will be asked to leave immediately.

Transferring points between Championship and ACE Programs: Points from the ACE Program may not be transferred to the Championship Program. 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, JV-E, JJ-E, GS-E, GV-E, GJ-E or an ATCH title .

# **REFUNDS**

There shall be no refunds for entries withdrawn in the event a dog and/or handler are dismissed from competition, regardless of the reason for such dismissal. Refunds are allowed if requested before the closing date. Refunds after closing date for dog's injury/illness and bitches in season only. ALL REQUESTS FOR REFUNDS MUST INCLUDE OWNER'S NAME AND ADDRESS AND VETERINARIAN'S CERTIFICATE.

#### MOVE-UPS

After submitting your entry form, the last day that we will be accepting move ups before the trial will be Wednesday, February 21, 2024. We will accept move-ups or changes *in writing only* (Mail or E-mail). No changes will be accepted after this date. Mail WASCUNY C/O Jen Fuller, 147 Kilmer Rd, Argyle NY, 12809 or Email: <u>sweepndaisy@hotmail.com</u> Move-ups will be allowed on Sat. for Sunday's runs. Move up form will be available at the score table.

# **AWARDS**

First through fourth place ribbons will be awarded for each jump height in all classes and levels. Qualifying Rosettes will be awarded for each qualifying run.

JUMP HEIGHTS

Dog's Height	11″ & under			20″ & under	Over 20"	
CH-Standard jumps at:	8″	12″	16″	20″	20+" or 24"	
Vets & Ace Std. jump at:	4″	8″	12″	16″	16+″	
ACE Sr. jumps at:	4″	4″	8″	12″	12+″	

ASCA height rules allow dog in 20+ category (measuring over 20" at withers) to jump in either the 20+ or 24" jump height class if offered. Veterans must jump 4" lower than the dog's standard jump height and Junior Handlers may jump 4" lower than standard, OR at the dog's standard jump height. Dogs with a wither height of <20" must be measured (or show an approved jump height card) unless they jump in the 20"+/ 24" class. (16"+ for veterans, ACE Std.).

#### <u>CH – STD 8" 12" 16" 20" 20+" (jumps 20") 24"</u> <u>JrH may jump at the standard jump height or 4" lower</u> <u>Vets & Ace 4" 8" 12" 16" 16+" (jumps 16")</u>

- 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 Division classes.
- No dog shall ever jump lower than 4" in the Junior Handler or Veteran Division.
- 20+ and 24 will be scored and placed together as one class.
- Refer to the current ASCA rule book for the current Breed Jump Height Exemption List.

### **IMPORTANT INFORMATION ON ENTRIES**

• Entries postmarked before the opening date of Wednesday, January 10,2024 - WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

There shall be no refunds/credit for entries withdrawn after the closing date, except for a dog's injury and /or illness or for bitches that come in season after the closing date. Requests must be received by the trial secretary prior to the start of the trial. **ALL REQUESTS FOR REFUNDS MUST INCLUDE OWNER'S NAME, ADDRESS AND A VETERINARIAN'S CERTIFICATE.** There will be no refunds if the trial cannot open or be completed by reason of riots, civil disturbances, fir, act of God, public emergency, strike, or any other cause beyond the control of the event committee. There will be no refund in the event that the dog and/or

handler is dismissed from the competition regardless of reason.

# Agility Trial Entry Form WASCUNY – February 24 & 25, 2024 Greenwich, NY

Entries close: Feb 17, 2024 No entries postmarked prior to Jan 10,2024

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FEE: \$14.50 per run Jrs: \$9.00 per run Package: 11 runs/per dog = \$154.00

\_\_\_\_\$10 surcharge for pre-entries after closing date TOTAL FEE: \_\_\_\_\_

#### Agreement

IMPORTANT LEGAL AGREEMENT—Please read the following carefully as it, among other things, may prevent vou from suing ASCA® and persons/entities affiliated with it. This agreement could even require you to defend them from demands and suits by third parties that include an assertion of wrongdoing by you. (1) The person signing this Agreement represents being authorized to enter into it on behalf of him/herself, as well as (if different) the owner(s)/exhibitor(s)/handler(s) of the dog(s) for which an entry form is being submitted (all these parties collectively referred to herein as "Applicant"). (2) "Releasees" here collectively refers to the Australian Shepherd Club of America® (ASCA®); its affiliate clubs; and the officers and board of directors, staff, contractors, insurers, attorneys, and agents of ASCA® and of those clubs. (3) This Agreement voluntarily is entered into by Applicant in exchange for the acceptance of the associated entry form and permission to participate in related activities. (4) Applicant agrees to abide by the rules and regulations of ASCA® and any other rules and regulations applicable to this event. (5) Applicant certifies that the entered dog will not pose a hazard to people, property, stock animals, or other dogs, and further that the dog is current with rabies shots along with any other vaccinations required by its state of residence. (6) Applicant acknowledges and assumes the risks to Applicant and Applicant's dog associated with participation in the event, among which could be ones associated with poor condition of the facilities and surrounding areas; security measures or lack of them; electrical appliances; fittings; show rings; the presence of unfamiliar persons; and the presence/involvement of other animals—whether stock, dogs, or otherwise. (7) Applicant further agrees to comply with all recommended and required health and safety precautions, among which may be those related to social distancing: guarantining; wearing of face coverings; and non-participation of persons exhibiting symptoms or for whom there otherwise has been a likelihood of recent exposure to COVID-19 or other contagious diseases. (8) Applicant additionally acknowledges and agrees to assume the risks associated with taking part in the event though others might neglect compliance with health and safety precautions/requirements or pose an undue risk of spreading disease. For example, as is true as to any public event, there is some risk that Applicant and/or those affiliated with Applicant may catch COVID-19 or another contagious disease at the event. (9) To the maximum extent permissible, this release is to be interpreted under Texas law, without application of its choice of law rules. (10) To the extent that Applicant—or another party suing on behalf of Applicant, or suing to recover based on injuries/death/damage to Applicant/Applicant's dog/Applicant's property— sues ASCA® (or a board member or staff member or agent of ASCA®) as a defendant, the sole appropriate forum (to the maximum extent permitted by law) for the suit shall be the state or federal courts serving Brazos County, Texas (where ASCA® has its headquarters). (11) Applicant hereby releases and waives any claims Applicant otherwise might assert against the Releasees as to any injury or damage claim connected in any way to any alleged act or omission arising out of, or occurring concurrent with, the event and related activities, interactions, communications, and even adjacent premises. (12) This release is made not only as to Applicant but also for anyone who might assert a claim on behalf of Applicant or based on purported injury or damage to Applicant/Applicant's dog/Applicant's property, as well as any heir, beneficiary, assignee, executor, trustee, agent, or survivor of Applicant. (13) Applicant further agrees to assume sole responsibility for and indemnify and hold Releasees harmless from related claims, demands, judgments, and settlement payments. (14) These waiver, release, and indemnification provisions extend even to claims or demands asserting that the acts or omissions resulted in bodilv iniurv or death or from intentional wrongdoing, as well as to attorney fees and other costs of defense. (15) The duties of indemnification further extend to any claims or demands asserted against Releasees that are alleged to have arisen out of the acts or omissions of Applicant, Applicant's dog, or others affiliated with Applicant. Among other things, this means that Applicant would pay the legal defense of Releasees if someone sued them based on a claim Applicant carelessly exposed the claimant to COVID-19. (16) Applicant's promises in this agreement apply without regard to the type of claim or cause of action asserted against Releasees. (17) To the extent any provision of this agreement is unenforceable, the remainder of it nonetheless is to be enforced. (18) This agreement is to be interpreted to provide Releasees with the maximum permissible legal protection fromamong other things-claims and suits pursued by Applicant (and/or those acting on behalf of Applicant or over injury/damage to Applicant), as well as from ones based on the purported wrongful acts or omissions of Applicant. (19) Nothing in this Agreement requires you to indemnify Releasees from claims by third parties that involve no allegations of improper acts or omissions by you, those affiliated with you, nor your dog(s). (20) Applicant acknowledges having read, understood, and had the opportunity for independent legal review of this document prior to signing it.

#### Signature\_

Date

Signature of owner, handler or parent/legal guardian (if junior is under 18. Person signing this form is responsible for all errors and rule violations. As used here "ASCA®" means the owner and the operator of the event premises, the Australian Shepherd club of America, its affiliate Clubs and each of their members, officers, directors, employees, show chairman, show committee and agent.