



The Australian Shepherd Club of Texas

Presents an

ASCA Nationals Agility Pre-Trial
Entries Open to Australian Shepherds Only
Sunday, October 29, 2017

Brazos County Expo

Bryan, TX

Covered Horse Arena on Packed Dirt

Opening Date: July 17, 2017

Closing Date: October 10, 2017

Limited to 450 runs per Judge

Judges

Lora Del Page of Chicago, IL

Ric Pittman of El Cajon, CA

Classes Offered

2 Rounds of Regular, 2 Rounds of Jumpers, 1 Round of Gamblers

Trial Secretary

Helen Wilson

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Pilot Point, TX 76258

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Trial Chair

Jody Faulkner

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Notice that exhibitors, through submission of entries, acknowledge that they are knowledgeable of and agree to follow ASCA rules and regulations and ASCOT's trial policies, including but not limited to the following:

- This trial is open only to Australian Shepherds.
- Dogs entering the standard jump height classes 20" or less (with height less than or equal to 20") that do not have a permanent ASCA, AKC or NADAC height card must be measured. Dogs entering 20+" or 24" jump heights are exempt. Please include a copy of your card with your entry or present your dog for measuring at check-in.
- Bitches in heat, lame, or blind dogs are ineligible for entry, as is any dog with a deformity which may cause the judge to not be able to reasonably assess the dog's ability to function and perform the obstacles safely, and in a manner that is in the best interest, health, and welfare of the dog. Any dog that demonstrates aggression towards any person or any other dog, whether inside or outside the ring, must be excused from the trial, as will any dog which the judge feels is not in enough control to perform all obstacles in a safe manner. Any owner, handler, or spectator exhibiting poor sportsmanship or abuse towards a dog or person will be required to leave the show site for the duration of the trial.
- Bitches in heat are not allowed near or in the agility rings. Bitches that come into heat or dogs that become injured before the closing date may have their entry fees refunded, less \$25.00, pending proof by veterinarian. Refund to be made after the trial closing date. No other refunds will be made after trial closing date. Overpayments below \$10 will be returned only upon request otherwise such overpayments will go to Aussie Rescue.
- This show will be held under the current rules and regulations of ASCA with the exception that per the ASCA 2017 Committee's requirements, only Australian Shepherds are allowed to enter this trial. A copy of the rulebook may be obtained from the ASCA web site at www.asca.org.
- No leads, collars, food, toys, etc. shall be permitted on the course at any time.
- All dogs must be on leash or securely crated when not competing in the ring.
- Safety shall always be the foremost consideration in actions by handlers at all times.
- The organizing committee may refuse any entry on the basis expressly provided through ASCA rules and regulations. Anyone not currently in good standing with ASCA will not be allowed entry into the trial.
- Participation is a privilege afforded by the Host club(s) and may be extended or withdrawn by the Host club's trial committee based on suitable cause only. Refusal of entries shall be reported to the ASCA office.
- Entries must be made on the enclosed entry form or the official ASCA Agility Trial Entry Form from www.asca.org. Copies may be made if entire form is copied. No other forms will be accepted. Entries must be signed to be valid.
- Make all checks and money orders payable to ASCOT (Australian Shepherd Club of Texas). All fees must be submitted in US Funds. Returned checks do not constitute a valid entry and there will be a \$35.00 service fee on all returned checks. Entry into future trials and participation in this trial will not be allowed until all fees are paid in cash or money order. Illegible or incomplete entry forms do not constitute a valid entry.
- Dog sales or puppies under eight weeks old are not permitted on the trial site.
- ASCOT, its board of directors, ASCA, management, and the property owner assume no responsibility for any loss, damage, or injury sustained by the exhibitors, handlers, or to any of their dogs, personal property, and/or children.

Check-In and Setup

Last Minute Move-Up Requests at Agility Show Office on 10/28 between 6 and 7 PM
Setup begins at 7 AM
Check-In 7-7:45 AM

All dogs needing measuring must be present at 7:30 AM

The first courses in each ring will be set and available for walk-through from 7 AM to 7:45 AM.

General Briefing 7:45 AM
First dog on the line at 8 AM

Tentative Running Order

(subject to change based on entry numbers to facilitate the most efficient running of the trial)

<u>Ring 1</u>	<u>Ring 2</u>	<u>Ring 3</u>
Elite Gamblers	Novice Regular 1	
	Novice Regular 2	
Open Gamblers	Elite Regular 1	
Novice Gamblers		Novice Jumpers 1
		Novice Jumpers 2
		Open Jumpers 1
		Open Jumpers 2
	Open Regular 1	Elite Jumpers 1
	Open Regular 2	Elite Jumpers 2

Entry Fees

Entry per dog per run \$20
Sunday Special (5 runs same dog) \$90
Additional Dog Sunday Special (2nd, 3rd, etc dog entered) \$85

Entries

- Entries received before the opening date WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.
- Signature Required items WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.
- Entries must be postmarked by October 10, 2017.
- Entries will be accepted on the basis of date received.
- After the trial fills, a waiting list will be maintained in the order of date received.
- If you wish to receive immediate confirmation of receipt of your entry, please enclose a self-address, stamped postcard with your entry. Otherwise, confirmation of entry will be made via email after the closing date.
- Make checks payable to **ASCOT (US funds only)** and mail to:

ASCOT Pre-Trial, c/o Helen Wilson
PO Box 1278
Pilot Point, TX 76258
940-391-4924

reddogag@yahoo.com

If you need help completing your entry form, please ask your agility instructor for assistance or contact the trial secretary.

Hotels

Please see <http://asca2017.com/hotels/> for a listing of area hotels. Please be aware that there is a Texas A&M Football Home Game in town the weekend of the trial and hotel rooms will be hard to come by. Please book your room early!

Other Important Info

Date for Dog's Age Calculation - For the purpose exhibiting at this trial, a dog's age will be calculated on October 27, 2017.

Catalogs/Run Orders - No catalogs will be printed. Running orders will be posted at the gates. Handlers with multiple dogs will be separated as much as the class allows.

Cancellation of Entries - Cancellation of entries due to exhibitor request prior to the trial closing date will be subject to a processing fee of \$25. There will be no refund of any entry fees for cancellation requests made after trial closing with the exception of bitches in heat and or dog injury. Cancellation requests after the closing date due to injury or bitches in season must be accompanied by a veterinarian's letter and will be subject to a processing fee of \$25.

Move-Ups - All email/mail move-up requests must be received by the trial secretary by **October 23, 2017**. We will be accepting last-minute move up requests between 6 PM and 7 PM on Saturday 10/28 in the Agility Show Office. You must be present during this time to request a last-minute move-up. No other move-ups will be permitted. **No exceptions!**

Obstacle Specification – The obstacles that will be made available to the judges of the trial are: Dog Walk, A-Frame, Teeter, Tunnel, Displaceable Tire Jump, Weave Poles (24" spacing), Non-Winged Hurdles, and Winged Hurdles. All Contact Equipment is slatless and rubber-coated. Electronic Timing will be used.

Prizes and Awards - ASCOT will award ribbons for 1st through 8th places and for each qualifying score in the Titling Classes. We will be offering the following High In Trial Awards: HIT Overall, Elite, Open, Novice, Veteran Dog, Junior Handler, ACE Standard, ACE Senior, and Rescue Dog (to be eligible for this award, please check the YES box on the entry form if your dog is a Rescue). HIT will be calculated as per the rules in section 2.6.2 of the rulebook.

FEO (For Exhibition Only) – We will accept FEO entries. FEO entries may jump any jump height but will not be eligible for any prizes or awards. Minimum age permitted is 15 months. Any dog younger than 18 months must jump at a lower height than their regular jump height. This is a non-qualifying division.

Worker's Raffle – As everyone knows, it takes a tremendous amount of work to run an agility trial. If you have some free time, we would love to have you volunteer to help! There is a volunteer section on the entry form if you'd like to sign up in advance of the trial, or feel free to jump in on the day of the trial itself. We will have a Worker's Raffle with some very nice prizes open only to those who volunteer to work at the trial. If you volunteer, be sure to request your raffle tickets from a club member. Thanks in advance to everyone who volunteers!!



**AUSTRALIAN SHEPHERD CLUB OF AMERICA®
AGILITY ENTRY FORM**



October 29, 2017

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Use one entry form per dog. Print or type all the following information.

Dog's ASCA Registration #: _____

Breed: AUSTRALIAN SHEPHERD **Sex:** Male Female

Registered Name: _____

Call Name: _____ **DOB:** _____

Owner(s): _____

Address: _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **ZIP:** _____

Home Phone: (____) _____ **Other Phone:** (____) _____

E-mail: _____

Handler: _____

(If other than owner)

Membership #: _____ **JR DOB:** _____

(Please enter JR# if JR is handling dog)

(If JR is handling dog)

Dog's Height @ Withers: _____ **Is this Aussie a Rescue?** Yes No

Standard Jump Height: 16 20 20+ 24

Vet/Jr/FEO/Sr Dog Jump Height: 8 12 16 16+ 20 20+ 24

Program (Check One): **Championship (CH)** **ACE**

Class Entered	Division					Level		
	Std.	Vet. (CH)	Jr. (CH)	Sr Dog (ACE)	FEO	Nov	Open	Elite
Gamblers								
Jumpers 1								
Jumpers 2								
Regular 1						A or B <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>		
Regular 2						A or B <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>		

Entry Fees: _____ # of run x \$20 per run = \$ _____

--Or-- the Sunday Special Pack of all 5 runs = \$ 90

--Or-- the Additional Dog Sunday Special Pack of all 5 runs = \$ 85

Total Entry Fees = \$ _____

Make checks (US funds only) payable to: ASCOT

Mail to: ASCOT Pre-Trial, c/o Helen Wilson, PO Box 1278, Pilot Point, TX 76258

**EXHIBITOR OR OWNER MUST READ AND SIGN THIS FORM.
PARENT OR GUARDIAN OF JUNIOR HANDLERS MUST SIGN AS WELL.
AGREEMENT**

The person who signs this agreement represents that he/she is authorized to enter into this agreement on behalf of both exhibitor and the owner of entered dog. In consideration of acceptance of this entry:

1.1 As used here "ASCA®" means the Australian Shepherd Club of America®, its affiliate clubs and each of their members, officers, directors, employees, show chairs, show committees and agents.

1.2 Exhibitor/owner, agree to abide by the rules and regulations of ASCA®, and any other rules and regulations appearing in the premium for this event.

1.3 Exhibitor/owner certify that the entered dog is not a hazard to persons, dogs, or property and that the entered dog's rabies vaccination is current in accordance with the requirement of the state in which the dog resides.

1.4 Exhibitor/owner acknowledge all hazards presented by the event and the event premises, including, but not limited to, the condition of the floors, stairways, halls, lighting, security measures (or lack thereof), electrical appliances, fittings, show rings, parking areas and the presence of unfamiliar animals and people. Exhibitor and owner assume the risk of any harm arising from these.

1.5 Exhibitor/owner releases ASCA®, the ASCA® affiliate club ASCOT (including its officers, directors, members, and event organizing committee), ASCA 2017, and Brazo County Expo and will defend them and hold them harmless from all present and future loss, injury, damage, claims, demands and liabilities involving the entered dog, the event or event premises. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing hold harmless provisions, exhibitor/owner hereby specifically assume sole responsibility for, and agree to indemnify and save aforementioned parties harmless from any and all loss and expenses (including legal fees) by reason of the liability imposed by law upon any of the aforementioned parties for damages because of bodily injuries, including death, at any time in consequence of my (our) participation in this event; howsoever such injury, or death may be caused, and whether or not the same may have been caused or may have been alleged to have been caused by negligence of the aforementioned parties or any of their employees or agents or any other persons.

I have read, understood, and acknowledged the above Agreement.

Signature of Owner/Exhibitor **Date**

Signature of Parent of Legal Guardian of Minor **Date**

Volunteers

Always needed, gladly accepted!

If interested in volunteering, please fill out this form and include with your entries.

Name _____

Jobs you are willing to work:

Timer Scribe Gate Steward Leash Runner

Ring Crew Anything!

Please list any job you would prefer NOT to do:

Anything else you'd like us to know about your availability to volunteer?

Thanks to all who volunteer!