



**ASCA SANCTIONED *
ALL BREED
AGILITY TRIAL
(Open to ALL Dogs)**

Hosted by

The Garden State Australian Shepherd Association

(GSASA)

(*Sanctioning pending)

September 5 – 6, 2009

Hopewind Farm

160 Houses Corner Road

Lafayette, NJ

<http://www.hopewindfarm.com/Hopewindfarm/Home.html>

JUDGE:

John Raymond, Raymond, New Hampshire

CLASSES OFFERED:

Regular, Jumpers and Gamblers (2 Runs per day)

For Novice, Open, and Elite

Standard, Veterans and Jr. Handlers

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.

Priority for a limited number of available spots will be given to exhibitors who volunteer to work.

NO POSTMARKS EARLIER THAN July 27, 2009

ENTRIES CLOSE August 24, 2009 @ 9 PM

MOVEUPS CLOSE August 31, 2009 @ 9 PM

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 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.
- **Receipt of ASCA Titling Certificates –**
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- 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 cases, the ASCA office will be informed of the problem.**
- Agility obstacles shall be chosen from those described in the current edition of ASCA Official Rules and Regulations.
- 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

Show Chairperson
Trial Secretary
Chief Ring Steward(s)
Chief Course Builder(s)
Equipment Manager
Chief Scorekeeper

Diane Sobel-Meyer (Diane@outbackfarm.net; 973-948-5668)
Christine Carlson (katerpoo@aol.com; 973-691-2955)
Kim Latham
Laurie Shuren
Diane Sobel-Meyer
Christine Carlson

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.
- Priority for a limited number of available spots will be given to exhibitors who volunteer to work.
- If the trial does not fill by pre-entry, day of entries will be accepted.
- ASCA Registration/Tracking No - If your dog is an ASCA registered Australian Shepherd (either full registration or LEP) or has an ASCA Tracking Number, write your dog's ASCA registration/LEP number/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 Tracking Form with your entry – HOWEVER please make fees 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.
- 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 \$30 service charge.
- Telephone calls returned/initiated with questions on any entries will be made collect.

SHOW SITE / EQUIPMENT:

- This event will be held outdoors on grass.
- Agility obstacles shall be chosen from those described in the current edition of ASCA Official Rules and Regulations and will include winged and non-winged jumps, a double jump, teeter, dog walk, A-frame, open tunnels and weave poles. Contacts will be slatted.
- A warm-up area with a single practice jump 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.

REFUNDS / WITHDRAWALS:

- There will be no refund/credit for entries withdrawn after the closing date, except for a dog's injury and/or illness or for bitches that come into season after the closing date. These entries will be eligible for a voucher for the amount of the total entry fee paid less \$15.00. A signed letter from your veterinarian must be included with your written request. Requests must be received by the trial secretary prior to the start of the trial. Voucher must be used towards another GSASA agility trial.
- 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 are dismissed from the competition, regardless of reason.

RULE CHANGE HIGHLIGHTS

- Gamblers – The time given for the point accumulation period shall be thirty (30) seconds for all dogs. Minimum number of points needed during the point accumulation period will be: Novice – 15; Open – 18; Elite – 21
- Dogs may be eliminated for exiting the ring not on leash or not under the handler's control
- Dogs entered in the Jr Handler division may jump at the standard jump height or 4" lower.

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE AND RING ASSIGNMENTS

Saturday – Jumpers 1 & 2, Regular 1 & 2, Gamblers 1 & 2. Within each class, the level order will be Elite, Open, Novice. Running order will be from lowest to highest within jump height category.

Sunday – Gamblers 3 & 4, Regular 3 & 4, Jumpers 3 & 4. Within each class, the level order will be Elite, Open, Novice. Running order will be from highest to lowest within jump height category.

In the Novice classes, running within jump height will begin with Novice A, then Novice B, then Veterans, then Junior Handlers (i.e., NovA 8", NovB 8", Vets jumping 8", JrH jumping 8").

The running order of classes is subject to change at the discretion of the judges and/or the host club.

REGISTRATION / MEASURING

- Saturday and Sunday between 7:00 and 7:45AM
- All dogs not jumping the maximum jump height must be measured at each trial unless they present a NADAC or AKC permanent height card (Standard jumping 16" & under, Vets/JrH jumping 12" & under).

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 class on Saturday has finished.

PRIZES / AWARDS

- Green Qualifying Ribbons 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.
- Ribbons/prizes must be picked up during the weekend. Ribbons WILL NOT be mailed.

FOOD / VENDORS

- There will be no food vendor at the site. Lunch and snacks will be available for volunteers.

JUMP HEIGHTS

Dog's height at withers	11" & under	14" & under	18" & Under	20" & Under	Over 20"
Standard	8"	12"	16"	20"	20+ Class Jumps 20" (May jump 24")
Vets	4"	8"	12"	16"	16+ Class Jumps 16"
Jr. Handler	4" or 8"	8" or 12"	12" or 16"	16" or 20"	16" or 20" or 24"

- 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.
- Any exhibitor whose dog measures over 20" may choose to enter the 20+ class or the optional 24" class. 20+ and 24 will be scored and placed together as one class.
- Refer to the current ASCA rulebook for the current Breed Jump Height Exemption List.

DIRECTIONS TO TRIAL SITE:

From Western areas Rte. 80 to Rte. 94 N. go through Newton. Turn right onto Rte. 15 S, turn right onto Limecrest Rd. (this is Houses Corner Rd.), one mile turn right at the driveway marked 160 on the mailbox. There is a large white house and barn along the road.

From Eastern areas Rte. 80 to Rte. 15 N. to left onto Limecrest Rd. (this is Houses Corner Rd.), follow as above.

ACCOMMODATIONS: Please contact each motel for their current pet policies. Please verify that dogs are still being accepted when making reservations:

Extended Stay, Budd Lake, 973- 347-5522 GSASA discount - \$50 a night fee for a room with 1 queen bed; rooms with 2 beds are \$80 and roll-a-ways are free if available. No pet fee. It is suggested reservations be made early since it is a holiday weekend.

<http://www.ExtendedStayAmerica.com/minisite/?hotelID=758>

Econolodge Motel, Newton, NJ 973-383-3922

Best Western Inn, Matamoras, PA 570-491-2400

Comfort Inn, Port Jervis, PA 845-856-6611

Red Roof Inn, Parsippany, NJ 973-334-3737

CAMPING:

NO OVERNIGHT RV CAMPING IS ALLOWED.

Harmony Ridge, 23 Risdon Dr., Branchville, NJ 973-948-4941

<http://www.harmonyridge.com/>

Beaver Hill Campground, 120 Big Spring Rd., Hamburg, NJ 973-827-0670

<http://www.beaverhill.com/>

Kymers, 69 Kymer Rd., Branchville, NJ 973-875-3167

<http://www.njcamping.com/kymers/>

Panther Lake Campground, Andover, NJ 800-543-2056

<http://www.njcamping.com/panther/>

Pleasant Acres Farm, Sussex, NJ 973-875-4166

<http://www.pleasantacres.com/CampgroundHome.htm>

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.

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Please type or print clearly. Incomplete or illegible forms will be returned.

Membership Application:

Owner's Name (1) _____

Owner's Name (2) _____

Owner's Address: _____

City, State, Postal Code: _____

Phone Number: _____ E-mail: _____

Service Membership Fee: \$10.00 per person

(If you are interested in other membership types, go to www.asca.org)

I (We) agree to abide by the ASCA Articles of Incorporation, Bylaws, and all ASCA Rules and Regulations governing the ASCA Registry and all other ASCA programs.

Owner's Signature (1): _____

Owner's Signature (2): _____

Dog Information: Lifetime fee for tracking number is \$10.00 per dog for ASCA Members

Dog's Full Name: _____

Dog's Call Name: _____

Any/All Previous Registration Numbers Used: _____

Sex: _____ Birthdate: _____

Breed: _____

Events/Qs Earned Since 1/1/2003 _____

Mail completed form with check or money order to:

**ASCA Business Office Phone 979-778-1082
6091 E State Highway 21, Bryan, TX 77808**

Volunteer Sign-Up (...We Really Need Your Support)

As at every event, no club can pull off a trial without the help and support of our exhibitors to keep the agility trial running smoothly and efficiently. **We will not be able to do this without your involvement.** Working in and around the ring is a great way to increase your knowledge and understanding of the sport. If you have a guest or significant other who would be willing to work at the trial, we'd be thrilled! A list of jobs and their associated description is on the back of this page.

We appreciate your help and will do what we can for your comfort, including the volunteers' refreshment area for trial workers and helpers.

Please fill out this form and send it in with your entry. This will help us schedule you in an appropriate job without class conflicts. We'll let you know in which classes you're working when you arrive at the trial.

Thank you for volunteering and making this a better show for everyone. We couldn't do it without you!

Name: _____

I am trialing: ____ Saturday _____ Sunday

Work Preferences:

I am volunteering for the following jobs:

- Timer Scribe Assistant Scribe Gate Steward Ring Crew
- Course Build Scoring Leash Runner Score Runner Registration
- Friday Setup Sunday Cleanup

Enter JUMP HEIGHT or HEIGHTS if running multiple dogs in the appropriate boxes.

	Elite	Open	Nov.
Regular			
Gamblers			
Jumpers			

For Your Records - Summary of Entries

Entries Mailed: _____

Check #: _____ **Amount:** _____

Dog 1: _____

Dog 2: _____

Dog 3: _____

Accommodations:

Hotel: _____

Phone: _____ Confirmation #: _____

Directions: _____

AGREEMENT

The patron 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, Inc., its affiliate clubs and each of their members, officers, directors, employees, show chairs, show committees, and agents.

1.2 Exhibitor/owner is knowledgeable of and agrees to abide by the rules and regulations of ASCA governing sanctioned agility trials, and any other rules and regulations appearing in the premium for this event.

1.3 Exhibitor/owner certifies 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 acknowledges 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 of, electrical appliances, fitting, 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 (including ASCA officers, directors, employees, and members), the Garden State Australian Shepherd Association (including its officers, directors, members, agents, employees and event organizing committee), Hope Wind Farm (including its officers, directors, members, owners, and employees) and will defend them and hold them harmless from all present and future loss, injury, damage, claims, demands and liabilities involving the entered dog, 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 I acknowledge the above Agreement.

Signature of Owner/Exhibitor Date

Signature of Parent or Legal Guardian of Minor Date

If entry cannot be read or is incomplete, secretary can: call collect return entry e-mail

SEPTEMBER 2009

Ck# _____ Amt _____ Entry # _____

OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM

ASCA SANCTIONED ALL-BREED AGILITY TRIAL

Garden State Australian Shepherd Association (GSASA)

September 5 – 6, 2009, Hopewind Farm, Lafayette, NJ

Return this completed entry form with entry fees made payable in U.S. funds to:

GSASA c/o Christine Carlson

61 Clinton Avenue, Budd Lake, NJ 07828-3119

Exhibitor/Owner must read and sign reverse side of this form for entry to be valid.

Owner/Handler Information check if new address

Owner: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: _____ E-mail: _____

Confirmations will be sent by e-mail unless otherwise specified: No

Dog's Identification

Dog's Call Name: _____

Breed: _____ Birth Date: _____

Dog's Height At Withers: _____ Sex: _____

Circle STANDARD Jump Height: 8" 12" 16" 20" 20+" 24"

Is the Handler Disabled or Handler a Veteran taking jump height exemption?

Dog's ASCA Registration/LEP/Tracking No: _____ (See Entry Form section)

Registered Name: _____

Handler (If different from Owner): _____

Check off all classes you are entering, and a Level and Division for each of those classes

CLASSES	DIVISION			LEVEL					DAY	
	Std	Vet	JrH	NovA	NovB	Nov	Open	Elite	Sat	Sun
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Gamblers 4										
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Jumpers 2										
Jumpers 3										
Jumpers 4										
Regular 1										
Regular 2										
Regular 3										
Regular 4										

FEES: \$12/run Day of Entry \$13/run

TOTAL FEES \$ _____

Package Prices for **PRE-ENTRY ONLY**:

Please make checks payable to GSASA

All 6 runs/day = \$66 or All 12 runs/weekend = \$132

YES I CAN HELP!! Please enclose the Volunteer Sign-Up sheet included in the premium

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