



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

Hosted by
The Australian Club of New England
(*Sanctioning pending)

September 14-15, 2024
Westfield Fairgrounds
135 Russellville Road Westfield, MA 01085

JUDGE:
Lou Brannick - Arizona

CLASSES OFFERED:
Regular (2 Runs Saturday, 3 Runs Sunday)
Jumpers (2 Run Saturday, 2 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
Pre-Entries **MUST** be received by Closing Date

ENTRIES/MOVE-UPS CLOSE September 10, 2024

NOTE: Entries before closing - \$15/run
Entries after closing - \$18/run
Day-of entries will be taken from 7 – 7:30 am for
\$18/run

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. Please refer to the application below. 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. **Supplied by MAX 200**
- 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. **Toys in the ring will be allowed for training and must be declared.**
- No entry shall be accepted from a handler or 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: agility@asca.org.

TRIAL COMMITTEE

Agility Trial Chairperson
Trial Secretary
Chief Ring Steward(s)
Chief Course Builder(s)
Chief Scorekeepers

Lee Prager - lprager4020@gmail.com – 978-618-4896
Linda Prager - lprager4020@gmail.com – 978-618-2369
Lyn Scribner (Sat), Joey Mason (Sun)
Brenda Boragine
Deb Keach-Tomes, Jessica Meyer

FOOD / VENDORS

There will be a food vendor on the premises.

ENTRY FORM / ENTRIES / CONFIRMATIONS:

- PRE-ENTRIES (Received by Sep 10th) - \$15/run
- POST-ENTRIES (Received after Sep 10th) - \$18/run
- DAY-OF ENTRIES (Only 7 – 7:30 each trial day) - \$18/run – **Competitors will be responsible for adding their name to the gate and scribe sheets.**
- Toys in the ring will be allowed in this trial and will be run in order
- 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.
- 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 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 6 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.

EMERGENCY VETERINARIAN:

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

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 refund for the amount of the total entry fee paid less \$20.00 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.
- 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

The latest ASCA agility rules can be found here:

<https://asca.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/08/agilityrules.pdf>

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE AND RING ASSIGNMENT

- Saturday – EJ1/2, OJ1/2, NJ1/2, EG1, OG1, NG1, EG2, OG2, NG2, ER1/2, OR1/2, NR1/2. Run order low to high.
- Sunday – ER3/4, OR3/4, NR3/4, EG3, OG3, NG3, ER5, OR5, NR5, EJ3/4, OJ3/4, NJ3/4 Run order high to low.
E=Elite, O=Open, N=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 final confirmation packet.**

CHECK-IN / MEASURING / General Briefing / Walk-Thru for first class

- Check-in: Saturday 7:00am - 7:30am, Sunday 7:00am - 7:30am
- General briefing Saturday and Sunday at 7:45, first dog on the line no later than 8 am
- **Dogs with a wither height $\leq 20''$ 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, USDAA 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.

ASCA Communicable Disease Policy (effective May 2018)

A. No dog shall be eligible to compete at any show, no dog shall be brought into the grounds or premises of any dog show, and any dog which may have been brought into the grounds or premises of a dog show shall immediately be removed, if it;

1. shows clinical symptoms of canine influenza, distemper, infectious hepatitis, parvovirus, leptospirosis, kennel cough or other communicable disease, or
2. has been confirmed by a veterinarian to have a communicable disease within thirty days prior to the opening of the show, or
3. has been kenneled within thirty days prior to the opening of the show in a household in which there were veterinarian-confirmed cases of canine influenza, distemper, infectious kennel cough or other communicable disease.

B. The ASCA Board of Directors reserves the right to call a quarantine if the situation warrants. The length and details of such quarantine will vary depending on the specific disease and the gravity of the situation. C. Protocol for Communicable Disease Notification:

1. In the event that a host Affiliate is made aware of a dog exhibiting symptoms of a communicable disease, the hosting Affiliate will in turn investigate, following the steps outlined in the Conflict Resolution Protocol, observe the dog, and, if warranted, remove the dog. Dogs that within thirty days prior to the show have traveled or have been kenneled with a dog exhibiting symptoms may also be removed. In the case of removal of a dog(s), the Affiliate shall immediately report it to the ASCA Board via the Executive Secretary by emailing the Affiliate Health and Safety Report. The Affiliate Club shall provide a copy of the report to the owner of the dog(s).
2. Owners who believe that their dogs have contracted a communicable disease while at an ASCA event or have attended an ASCA event within the incubation period of a communicable disease should report the illness to the ASCA Board of Directors by contacting the Executive Secretary and

submitting the Owner's Health and Safety Report form. All reports will be kept confidential.

3. Reports received by the Board will be investigated by an assigned Director, per normal Board procedure, to assess the extent of the communicable disease risk. The assigned Director will investigate and will report findings and submit a recommendation to the Board within three working days.
4. In instances of reported cases of communicable disease during or following the ASCA National Specialty, ASCA will send out a notice to the membership through its official means of communication, notifying members of the report of the disease and providing educational information concerning the disease in question. Affiliate clubs scheduling events within thirty days of the ASCA National Specialty should be aware of possible financial losses if a quarantine is necessary.

Directions:

Points South (CT area): Take 91 North to Mass Pike (Rt. 90); take Mass Pike West to Exit 3. Bear right after exit. Within 200 ft. take right onto Arch Road. Go 1.6 mi. to Southern States Warehouse; take left onto Cabot Rd.; follow to end (.6 mi.); take right onto Russellville Rd.; go .4 mi. to Fairgrounds on right. (Total 2.6 mi. from Mas s

Pike Exit 3)

Points North (VT area): Take 91 South to Mass Pike (Rt. 90); take Mass Pike West to Exit 3. Follow remainder of directions above.

Local Area: Rt. 20 to Westfield to Rt.10/202 North to north side of Westfield. At the top of Clay Hill (just before Mass Pike entrance), take left onto Arch Road. Go 1.6 mi. to Southern States Warehouse. Follow remainder of directions above.

Junction 10/202 North of Westfield: (Purple Onion) Go straight on Rt. 202, take a right at Rt. 10 South and follow North Road west for 1.7 mi. to a 4-way stop(cemetery on left). Take left and go 1.3 mi. to Fairgrounds on left.

Accommodations

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

Quality Inn – 2 Southampton Rd. Westfield, MA 01085, (413) 568-2821 One time \$20 pet fee (not per dog)

Group Name/No.: ASCNE / 4828315 **Cutoff date for group rate 8/27/2024**

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. Don't leave your dogs unattended. If you must leave, take them with you.

PICK UP AFTER YOUR DOG



ASCA QT Number & Service Membership Application

PLEASE REMIT ONE FORM PER DOG

OFFICE USE ONLY	
CHK	_____
AMT	_____
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PLEASE PRINT - INCOMPLETE OR ILLEGIBLE FORMS WILL BE RETURNED.

Owner Information – All owners must be current ASCA members

Service Membership Fee: \$20.00 per owner if not a current member

(No membership fee for owners under 18 – DOB must be provided for Junior Membership)

Primary Owner: _____

Member ID# (if known): _____ Date of birth if under 18: _____

Full Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Co-Owner: _____

Member ID# (if known): _____ Date of birth if under 18: _____

Full Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

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.

Primary Owner Signature: _____

Co-Owner Signature: _____

Dog Information

QT number fee is **\$20.00 per dog** (all owners above must be members)

Dog's Full Name: _____

Dog's Call Name: _____ Sex: M F

Birthdate: _____ Breed: _____

Please enclose records of any previous ASCA points earned

Mail completed form with check, money order, or credit card information to:

ASCA Business Office

6091 E State Hwy 21, Bryan, TX 77808

You may scan & email the form to membership@asca.org

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What is the total cost for a QT number?

The cost for membership (required) is **\$20 per owner** if not already a current member.

- Membership expires in one year and only needs to be renewed if applying for another dog after membership has expired.
- Owners will need to renew their membership each year to keep track of dog's scores/titles in the online member portal. To sign up for an online account, please visit www.asca.org and click "Register" under Member Login (must have member ID#).

Membership fee in addition to the QT number fee of **\$20 per dog**.

A QT number is good for the lifetime of the dog and will not expire.

For one dog with one owner, the total cost is **\$40**. For two dogs with one owner, the total cost would be **\$60**. For one dog with two owners, the total cost would be **\$60**. (This is assuming no owners are current members or under 18).

Do I have to have a QT number to compete?

- You do not need a QT number to compete in ASCA Agility, Stockdog or Dock Jumping events, unless you want to earn ASCA titles.
- You must have a QT number to compete in ASCA Obedience, Rally and Tracking Tests.

Why would I need or want a QT number for my dog?

To have ASCA keep track of your scores and receive title certificates for your accomplishments.



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Expiration Date

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Security Code

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4-digit if AMEX

Cardholder Signature: _____

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!

We appreciate your help and will do what we can for your comfort, including the volunteers' refreshment area for trial workers and by giving you a lunch voucher.

Thank you for volunteering and making this a better show for everyone. We couldn't do it without you! We will have a volunteer sign-up board available each day of the trial.

RV/CAMPING RESERVATION FORM

***** Mail your camping reservations in by September 1, 2024
(Postmarked)for discount.**

Make checks payable to ASCNE and mail to:

Deb Keach-Tomes

122 Broad Street

Pascoag, RI 02859

Name:

Contact Phone #:

Nights: Thursday Friday Saturday Sunday

I am competing in (circle) Agility Conformation Obedience

*****Fee before September 1, 2024**

Camper \$20.00 per night Tent \$10.00 per night

*****Fee after September 1, 2024**

Or paying at site

Camper \$25.00 per night Tent \$15.00 per night

RV Type: Motor Home Travel Trailer Tent

License Plate # _____ ST: _____

Length: _____

Dump Station Available

IMPORTANT LEGAL AGREEMENT

Please read the following carefully as it, among other things, may prevent you 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; quarantining; 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 bodily injury 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 from—among 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.

I have read, understood, and I acknowledge the above Agreement

Signature: Owner/Exhibitor OR Parent or Legal Guardian of Minor _____ Date _____

OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM

ASCA SANCTIONED ALL-BREED AGILITY TRIAL

Australian Shepherd Club of New England (ASCNE)
Sep 14th & 15th, 2024 Westfield Fairgrounds, Westfield, MA

Owner: _____ Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Emergency Contact Info: _____

Dog’s Call Name: _____ Withers Height: _____

Breed: _____ Birth Date: _____ Sex: _____

Dog’s ASCA Registration/LEP/Q Tracking No: _____

Registered Name: _____

Circle ACTUAL Height Dog will Jump: 4” 8” 12” 12+” 16” 16+” 20” 20+” 24”

Handler (If different from Owner): _____

Check off all CLASSES you are entering, and a DIVISION and LEVEL for each of those classes

CLASSES	DIVISION					FEO	LEVEL			DAY	
	Champion			ACE			Novice	Open	Elite	Sat	Sun
	Jr H	Std	Vet	Std	Sr						
Jumpers 1											
Jumpers 2											
Jumpers 3											
Jumpers 4											
Regular 1							A	B			
Regular 2							A	B			
Regular 3							A	B			
Regular 4							A	B			
Regular 5							A	B			
Gamblers 1											
Gamblers 2											
Gamblers 3											

FEES: \$15/run before closing date, \$18/run after closing date

Jr. Handler \$7.50/run before closing date, \$9/run after closing date

TOTAL FEES \$ _____

Please make checks payable to ASCNE in U.S. funds only and send this completed entry form and entry fees to:

ASCNE c/o Linda Prager, 110 Coburn Rd, Berlin MA 01503