



Northern Arizona Australian Shepherd Association (NAASA)

2022 ASCA NATIONAL SPECIALTY AGILITY PRE-TRIAL

Tuesday, November 1, 2022

Brazos County Exposition Complex

5827 Leonard Road

Bryan, Texas 77807

Three Covered Rings on Dirt

Programs/Divisions Offered: *Championship* – Standard, Veteran Dog, Jr. Handler
Ace – Standard, Senior Dog
FEO

Classes Offered:

Regular Round 1 – Judge Mark Buehl, Splendora, TX

Regular Round 2 – Judge Roger Coor, Phoenix, AZ

Jumpers Round 1 – Judge Richard Pittman, El Cajon, CA

Jumpers Round 2 – Judge Richard Pittman, El Cajon, CA

Gamblers Round 1 – Judge Roger Coor, Phoenix, AZ

Gamblers Round 2 – Judge Mark Buehl, Splendora, TX

TOYS IN THE RING RUNS WILL NOT BE OFFERED

AGE CALCULATION FOR ENTRIES IS OCTOBER 31, 2022

THIS PRE-TRIAL IS OPEN TO AUSTRALIAN SHEPHERDS ONLY

Pre-Entry Opening Date: July 1, 2022 (by postmark)

Pre-Entry Closing Date: September 30, 2022 (by postmark)

SHOW COMMITTEE:

Trial Chairperson: Sue Brown

928-533-6377 sue@thehuffmangroup.com

Trial Secretary: Bambi Ellis

562-307-1950 gilitygirl@gmail.com

NOTICE TO EXHIBITORS:

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.

This trial is sanctioned by the Australian Shepherd Club of America (ASCA) with the Northern Arizona Australian Shepherd Association/Top Dog Performance Club as the sponsor club.

Exhibitors, through submission of their entry acknowledge the following:

- All healthy, trained dogs over eighteen (18) months of age are eligible to compete in ASCA agility trials with a valid Registration, LEP or Tracking Number. FEO entrants may be fifteen (15) months or older.
- Handlers should always conduct themselves in a sportsmanlike fashion.
- Lameness or blind dogs are ineligible for entry.
- Bitches in heat will be allowed to run at this pre-trial and will run at the end of each class. Please read and be familiar with Agility Rule Section 13.3 *Bitches in Heat* for all applicable rules.
- 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.
- I (we) further agree that when my dog(s) are left unattended, they will be secured in a crate or x-pen. Owners/handlers whose dogs are tethered or improperly secured will not be allowed on the show grounds.
- No collars, leads, 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 must be on leash when not competing or not in a crate or x-pen.
- Safety shall always be the foremost consideration in actions and conduct by handlers.
- No entry shall be accepted from a dog or handler disqualified from the ASCA® agility program; a dog or handler disqualified from all ASCA® programs; or a member not in good standing with ASCA®.
- 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 be an accident or other cause. It is distinctly understood that every dog at this event is in the care and control of his owner or handler during the entire time the dog is on the show premises.
- Participation is a privilege afforded by the Host club and may be extended or withdrawn by the Host club's trial committee on suitable cause only.
- There will be no refunds in the event that a dog and/or handler are dismissed from competition, regardless of the reason for the dismissal.
- Checks not honored by the bank do not constitute a valid entry fee. There will be a \$50.00 service charge for bank returned checks.
- A copy of the current ASCA Agility Rules and Regulation Handbook may be downloaded free from the ASCA website at: www.asca.org

ENTRY INFORMATION:

Refunds – Full refunds will be granted prior to the pre-entry closing date. No refunds will be made for entries withdrawn after the pre-entry closing date, except in the case of compliance with the communicable disease policy per Section 1.3.7 of the Agility Rulebook. In the event

that the trial cannot be held for reasons beyond the show committee's control, no refunds will be made.

Entry Fees – Entry (per run) is \$25.00 US dollars. Pre-entry package (all six runs for the same dog) is \$140.00. Pre-entry fees for Jr. Handler is \$13.00 per run. Jr. Handler pre-entry package (all six run for the same dog) is \$65.00. Entries postmarked after **September 30, 2022 are \$30 per run.** FEO entries are the same price as qualifying division. Checks are made payable to TDPC (US funds only) and mailed with your completed entry form and a copy of the dog's jump height card (if applicable) to: **Bambi Ellis – Entry Clerk, 143 Mackenze Rose Drive, Chino Valley, AZ 86323. NO DAY OF SHOW ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED.**

JUMP HEIGHT TABLE

JUMP HEIGHT TABLE: Dog's height at withers for ASCA sanctioned trials.

Championship Program					
	Small Dogs		Medium Dogs	Large Dogs	
Standard Division	Withers 11" & under Jump 8"	Withers 14" & under (>11" & ≤14") Jump 12"	Withers 18" & under (>14" & ≤18") Jump 16"	Withers 20" & under (>18" & ≤20") are in the 20" class Jump 20"	Withers over 20" are in the 20"+ class Jump 20" (may jump 24")
Jr. Handler Division	Withers 11" & under Jump 4" or 8"	Withers 14" & under (>11" & ≤14") Jump 8" or 12"	Withers 18" & under (>14" & ≤18") Jump 12" or 16"	Withers 20" & under (>18" & ≤20") are in the 16" or 20" class Jump 16" or 20"	Withers over 20" are in the 16"+ ot 20"+ class Jump 16" or 20" (may jump 24")
Veteran Dog Division	Withers 11" & under Jump 4"	Withers 14" & under (>11" & ≤14") Jump 8"	Withers 18" & under (>14" & ≤18") Jump 12"	Withers 20" & under (>18" & ≤20") are in the 16" class Jump 16"	Withers over 20" are in the 16"+ class Jump 16"
ACE Program					
Standard Division	Withers 11" & under Jump 4"	Withers 14" & under (>11" & ≤14") Jump 8"	Withers 18" & under (>14" & ≤18") Jump 12"	Withers 20" & under (>18" & ≤20") are in the 16" class Jump 16"	Withers over 20" are in the 16"+ class Jump 16"
Senior Dog Division	Withers 11" & under Jump 4"	Withers 14" & under (>11" & ≤14") Jump 4"	Withers 18" & under (>14" & ≤18") Jump 8"	Withers 20" & under (>18" & ≤20") are in the 12" class Jump 12"	Withers over 20" are in the 12"+ class Jump 12"

Copies of approved jump height cards **MUST** be sent with the entry form if the jump height is lower than 20+. All dogs except those jumping 20+ or Vets/Jr.H/Ace jumping 16+ or Senior dogs jumping 12+ must submit an ASCA, AKC or NADAC jump height card or be measured at the trial before running.

POLICIES, RULES and NOTES

- Signature required items WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.
- Entries received before the opening date WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.
- Entries must be postmarked no later than September 30, 2022 to be eligible for pre-entry price and packages.
- Entries will be accepted on the basis of the date received.
- Entries must be submitted on the forms or copies of forms supplied in this premium or from the ASCA website <https://www.asca.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/04/agilityentryform.pdf>
- Please include a legible email address on entry forms to receive confirmation of pre-entries. No confirmations will be sent via US mail. Please double-check your confirmation and contact the trial secretary for any necessary corrections prior to trial date.
- Conflicts between disciplines may happen if you are showing one or more dogs in multiple classes. All effort will be made to accommodate exhibitors provided the conflict

has been identified to the appropriate gate steward. **Reminder: judges do not have to delay classes for your entry.**

- Move-ups: dogs receiving titles after the September 30th closing date, may move up via email request to the trial secretary until October 12, 2022, by providing the trial secretary with: the owner's full name, dog's name, ASCA number, class entered and the from and to level. There will be **NO** move-ups offered on the day of trial.
- Check-in and official measurement will be from 7:00-7:30am. Walk-through starts at 7:30am. Judging begins at 8:00am.
- NAASA/Top Dog Performance Club reserves the right to amend, correct, change any information herein due to errors, omissions, or unforeseen circumstances, including but not limited to judges.
- Please check your trial entry form for accuracy before submittal. Registration and/or tracking number **MUST** be on the entry form. **Aussies with a "Q Tracking number" are eligible for entry to this trial.**
- Bitches in heat will be allowed to run at this pre-trial. They will run at the end of each class. Please read Agility Rule Section 13.3 *Bitches in Heat* for all applicable rules.
- 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.
- **Entry Clerk/Trial Secretary:** Bambi Ellis 143 Mackenze Rose Drive, Chino Valley, AZ 86323. Phone: 562-307-1950. Please no calls after 8:00pm MST

Equipment: the obstacles that will be made available to the judges include: slatless and rubber coated dog-walk, A-Frame, and teeter; tunnels; weave poles (24" spacing); non-winged jumps; winged jumps, and double jumps. Electronic timing equipment will be used.

Catalogs/Run Order: No catalogs will be printed. Run orders will be posted at the gates. Handlers with multiple dogs will be separated as much as the class allows. Schedule/running order will be determined after the pre-entry closing date.

Awards: all qualifiers will receive qualifying ribbons as well as placement ribbons for 1st through 4th place by jump height.

High in Trial (HIT) Championship Program: HIT Elite, HIT Open, HIT Novice, HIT Veteran and HIT Jr. Handler will receive Rosettes and Awards. Eligible dogs for these awards must be entered in the same level in all classes.

Overall High in Trial (HIT) Ace/Ace Sr.: Overall HIT for combined ACE and ACE Senior dog will receive Rosettes and Awards. Individual HIT awards for ACE and ACE Senior dog will be awarded if class size warrants.

All HIT awards will be calculated using the formula outlined in the ASCA Agility Rulebook.

ATCH Awards: A rosette and ATCH bar will be awarded to dogs finishing their ATCH at this trial. **Please note on your entry form if you are close to finishing an ATCH.**



AUSTRALIAN SHEPHERD CLUB OF AMERICA®

Hosts: Northern Arizona Australian Shepherd Association

Top Dog Performance Club of Northern Arizona, Inc.

November 1, 2022

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

Dog's ASCA® Registration #: _____ (LEP/Tracking/Regular)

Breed: _____ Sex: Male Female

Registered Name: _____

Call Name: _____ DOB: _____

Owner(s): _____

Primary Owner Address: _____

City: _____ ST: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

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: _____ Breed Jump Height Exempt? Yes No

Standard Jump Height in Inches: 8 12 16 20 20+

Class Jump Height: 4 8 12 12+ 16 16+ 20 20+ 24

Program: Championship (CH) ACE

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

PRE-ENTRY FEE: Must be postmarked by pre-entry closing date

Classes \$25 per class (JH \$13 per class)	(x _____ # of classes) =	
Pre-Entry Package \$140 for same dog	(x _____ # of classes) =	
Pre-Entry Package \$65 for JH	(x _____ # of classes) =	
LATE ENTRY FEE: After pre-entry closing date		
\$30 per class	(x _____ # of classes) =	

Make checks payable to: Top Dog Performance Club or TDPC
Mail entries to: Bambi Ellis 143 Mackenzie Rose Dr., Chino Valley, AZ. 86323

AGREEMENT

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.

Date: _____

SIGNATURE OF OWNER/HANDLER OR PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN (IF JR 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 CHAIRMEN, SHOW COMMITTEES AND AGENTS. October 8, 2020

Emergency Contact Name & Number: _____