



**New Hope ASC**  
*Bluebonnet Blast*

**2023 ASCA Nationals Agility Pre-Trial**

**Sunday, October 29, 2023**

At Brazos County Expo  
5827 Leonard Road, Bryan, TX 77807  
(under cover, on dirt)

<b>Classes Offered</b>	<b>Judged By:</b>
Regular 1	Darryl Warren from Paramus, NJ
Regular 2	Susan Perry from Port Orchard, WA
Jumpers 1	Sue Graham from Paso Robles, CA
Jumpers 2	Sue Graham from Paso Robles, CA
Gamblers 1	Susan Perry from Port Orchard, WA
Gamblers 2	Darryl Warren from Paramus, NJ

**Only pre-entries will be accepted.**

**Pre-entries open 7/15/23 and pre-entries close 9/23/23  
(both based on post-mark)**

**All entries must be made on the enclosed entry form.**

**Age calculation to use for entries is: October 27, 2023**

**Entry form is a fillable PDF – please type info before printing!**

This trial will be sanctioned by and held under the current rules and regulations of the Australian Shepherd Club of America. For a complete listing of the rules, visit [www.asca.org](http://www.asca.org). This trial will only be open only to healthy, trained Australian Shepherds 18 months or older with a valid ASCA registration or LEP number. FEO entries will be accepted and must be at least 15 months old and have a valid ASCA registration or LEP number. Through submission of entry, the competitor acknowledges that they are knowledgeable of ASCA rules and regulations.

- ❖ No entry shall be accepted from a dog or handler disqualified from the ASCA agility or All ASCA programs or any person not in good standing with ASCA. Anyone with outstanding checks to either ASCA or NHASC is not considered in good standing.
- ❖ All healthy, trained Aussies over 18 months of age are eligible for entry. Bitches in heat are eligible to run, following the rules in ASCA's rulebook.
- ❖ 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 control will be excused from the agility trial.
- ❖ 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 and may be banned from further New Hope events. All incidences of abuse will also be reported to ASCA.
- ❖ NHASC, its board of directors, ASCA, management, and the property owner assume no responsibility for any loss, damage, or injury sustained by the exhibitors, owners or to any of their dogs, personal property, or children.
- ❖ The following obstacles may be used at this agility trial: dog walk, A-frame, teeter, open tunnel, tire jump (displaceable), weave poles (24" spacing), non-winged hurdles, winged hurdles, and double bar hurdle. All contacts have rubber surfaces. The dog walk & a-frame in Regular 1 & Gamblers 1 will be slatted. The dog-walk & a-frame in Regular 2 & Gamblers 2 will not be slatted. A-frames will be set to 5'6". Electronic timing equipment will be used.
- ❖ Training runs with a toy will not be allowed.
- ❖ Conflicts between multiple disciplines may happen if you are showing one or multiple dogs in more than one event per day. Conflict policies will be published and enforced. Judges do not have to hold their ring for your entry and no refunds will be made for runs missed due to conflicts.

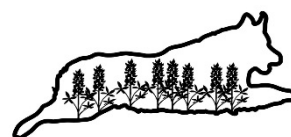


**Entry Fees: \$30/run or \$170 for 6 runs**

**Junior Handler entries are 50% off**

\*6 run package cannot be split between multiple dogs

**Checks payable to New Hope Agility Group**



- ❖ **Entries must be made on the enclosed entry form.** Entries must be signed, complete, and paid in full to be accepted. Mail to Bluebonnet Blast, c/o Liz Neuman, 8910 Grunwald Rd., Beasley, TX 77417. Write checks to New Hope Agility Group
- ❖ **Pre-entries open Saturday July 15, 2023 and close Saturday September 23, 2023.**
  - Dates are calculated by postmark. Entries postmarked before the opening date or after the closing date will not be accepted. Overnight entries must require no signature. Move-ups **and corrections** will be allowed through Monday 10/16/23. Only emailed move-ups will be accepted at [quidpocket@gmail.com](mailto:quidpocket@gmail.com). After that time, no changes will be made to entries. **All entries will be confirmed via e-mail.**
- ❖ No refunds will be made for entries withdrawn after the closing date. In the event that the trial cannot be held for reasons beyond the show committee's control, no refunds will be made.
- ❖ NHASC will award rosettes for 1<sup>st</sup> thru 4<sup>th</sup> place in each class for each jump height (dogs optionally jumping 24" will be grouped for placements with the 20+ class). Placements for Junior Handler Division classes may be combined (i.e., 16/16+, 20, 20+/24) by jump height within each level. Ribbons will be offered to every dog obtaining a qualifying score. High in Trial Awards will be given for Standard Elite, Open and Novice, Veterans and Junior Handler divisions as well as ACE Standard and ACE Senior (7 awards). We will also award an Overall High In Trial. HIT calculations will be done as stated in Section 2.6.2 of the ASCA Rule book. To be eligible for Standard Elite, Open, or Novice HIT awards, dogs must be entered in the same level in all classes.
- ❖ **\*\*ASCA MEASURING POLICY\*\*** Dogs with a wither 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 class in the Standard or Junior Handler division in the Championship program, the 16+" jump height class in the Veteran Dog or Junior Handler division in the Championship program, the 16+" jump height class in the Standard division in the ACE program, or the 12+" jump height class in the Senior Dog division in the ACE program are exempt. **Please send in a copy of your Height Card with your entry if you have one.**

### **Worker Raffle:**

**We will offer a raffle and will have snacks & drinks for all volunteers.**

**Thank you for your help!!**

**Trial Chairman: Jeff Hayes, 979-253-1316, [jeff@discdogma.com](mailto:jeff@discdogma.com)**

**Trial Secretary: Liz Neuman, 979-257-9615, [quidpocket@gmail.com](mailto:quidpocket@gmail.com)**



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**Entry Form**

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**\*\* Form is a fillable PDF \*\***

Owner's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Handler's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Dog's Call Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_ Sex: \_\_\_\_\_ Height: \_\_\_\_\_

Registered Name: \_\_\_\_\_

ASCA #: \_\_\_\_\_ Breed: Australian Shepherd

Standard Division Jump Height: 16 20 20+ 24

Vet/JH Division Jump Height: 12 16 16+ 20 20+ 24

ACE Standard Jump Height: 12 16 16+

ACE Sr. Jump Height: 8 12 12+

**Please include a copy of your Jump Height Card!!**

Class	Division					Level			Day
	ACE Sr	ACE Std	JH	Vet	Std	Nov	Open	Elite	Sun
Jumpers 1									
Jumpers 2									
Regular 1						A or B			
Regular 2						A or B			
Gamblers 1									
Gamblers 2									

Entry Fees: \$30/run or \$170 for 6 runs: \_\_\_\_\_

Commemorative Logo T-Shirt \$20: Qty : \_\_\_\_\_ Size(s) : \_\_\_\_\_

Total Included: \_\_\_\_\_

**IMPORTANT LEGAL AGREEMENT**—(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) and 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 officers and board of directors, staff, contractors, insurers, attorneys, and agents; as well as ASCA®'s affiliate clubs and each of their members, officers, directors, employees, show chairs, show committees, judges, contractors, insurers, and agents. (3) Applicant enters into this Agreement in consideration for being allowed to submit an entry form and, if approved, to take part in related activities of ASCA® and/or its affiliates. (4) Applicant acknowledges entering into this Agreement voluntarily, after the opportunity to obtain independent legal review of it and to have questions about its likely meaning answered through such review. (5) Applicant accepts the terms of this Agreement not only on his/her own behalf but also for his/her successors, assigns, beneficiaries, heirs, parents/guardians, and anyone else who might raise a claim on his/her behalf or as a result of her suffering harm. (6) To the extent any provision or application of this Agreement turns out to be unenforceable, the rest of it still remains fully effective. (7) This Agreement is to be interpreted under Texas law, without application of its choice-of-law rules, and—to the extent permitted by law—any legal action by Applicant that names Releasees as one or more defendants shall be filed and heard solely in the state or federal courts serving the county of ASCA®'s headquarters: Brazos County, Texas. (8) Applicant agrees to abide by the rules and regulations of ASCA® and any other rules and regulations appearing in the premium for this event. (9) Applicant represents that the dog(s) being entered is/are not known to pose a hazard to persons, other dogs, or property and that all required rabies and other vaccinations under the state and local law of the dog's state of residence are current. (10) Applicant acknowledges awareness of and assumes the risk associated with his/her participation and that of his/her dog(s) in this event and related activities, among which are personal injury to Applicant and those affiliated with Applicant, injury to Applicant's dog(s), and damage to Applicant's property. As but a few examples, Applicant and/or his/her dog(s) may be injured from the condition of (or failure to warn of the condition of) floors, stairways, lighting, security measures or a lack of them, electrical devices, fittings, show rings, parking areas, motor vehicles, and unfamiliar animals and people. (11) Applicant releases Releasees from any claim or liability whatsoever arising from any injury, harm, liability, or demand in anyway said to occur during or in connection with related events, also waiving any right to assert such claims that he/she otherwise might have in the absence of this Agreement. (12) Applicant also agrees to indemnify Releasees from any claim that Applicant or those acting on Applicant's behalf, for Applicant's benefit, or in Applicant's place, might assert against Releasees. The obligation in this regard extends even to Applicant's paying settlements, judgments, and expenses and costs of legal defense incurred by Releasees. (13) The waivers, releases, and promises of indemnification undertaken by Applicant in this Agreement EXTEND EVEN TO: CLAIMS ASSERTING NEGLIGENCE PER SE, CONDUCT THAT IS INTENTIONAL OR RECKLESS, CLAIMS OF FRAUD, CLAIMS INVOLVING DEATH, ACTIVITY THAT WOULD OVERLAP WITH ALLEGATIONS OF CRIMINALITY, AND/OR CLAIMS SEEKING EXEMPLARY DAMAGES. They apply without regard to the basis of the claim (e.g., based on tort, breach of contract, common law, implied or express warranty, or otherwise). Applicant's promised indemnification of Releasees also extends to claims third parties assert against Releasees said to be based on Applicant's conduct. (14) INFECTIOUS DISEASE—Applicant's promises and assumption of risks in this Agreement also extend to the risk and any asserted harm Applicant and the dog(s) may suffer from actual or threatened exposure to infectious disease, whether COVID-19 or otherwise, and Applicant accepts full responsibility for taking such measures as may be required or prudent to protect Applicant and well as other participants in the events. Applicant represents being aware of related recommend health practices, e.g., masking and distancing. (15) Applicant assigns to ASCA® the sole right to pursue any claim in connection with or arising in relation to the scheduled events that Applicant or those acting for Applicant otherwise might assert against any person or entity affiliated with ASCA®. (16) There are no provisions to this Agreement other than as spelled out here and they may not be modified except by formal ASCA® board action. This Agreement is to be interpreted to provide Releasees with the maximum protection from liability allowable under the law. 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.

Signature of Owner, Exhibitor, or Agent or Legal Guardian of Minor \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

## Volunteers Needed!! Worker Raffle!!

Jobs you can do:      Timer                  Scribe                  Gate Steward

   Leash Run                  Bar Set

**Mail entry form and fees to:**

**Liz Neuman, 8910 Grunwald Rd., Beasley, TX 77417**

**(Checks payable to NHAG)**