

Love and Laughter Dogs-ASC Australian Shepherd Club



ASCA SANCTIONED Agility Trial - Open to All Breeds July 21-23, 2023

TOYS ALLOWED IN RING FOR TRAINING

LOVE AND LAUGHTER DOGS ARENA
7269 NORTH WALKER ROAD
CLEVELAND, TEXAS 77328

Google or GPS: Love and Laughter Dogs
Indoor climate-controlled building, dirt flooring
Opening date: when premium is published
Pre-Entries close Tuesday July 15, 2023 (postmark)

Judge: Pamela Bryant-Meeks

Burleson, TX

Limit of 350 runs per day

Day of show entries accepted if trial does not fill

Classes Offered & Run Order-Elite, Open Novice

<u>Friday</u>	<u>Saturday</u>	<u>Sunday</u>
Gamblers 1 Reg 1 & 2	Gamblers 1 Reg 1 & 2 Gamblers 2 Jumpers 1 & 2	Jumpers 1 & 2 Gamblers 1 Reg 1 & 2 Gamblers 2

Classes offered in the Championship and ACE Programs
FEO Offered in all classes

All breeds of dogs, including mixes, may compete and title in ASCA trials. Register your dog with ASCA using the QT Number Application form available at: <https://asca.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/06/qtsvcapp.pdf>

You do not have to be registered with ASCA to run at this trial. You may enter without a tracking number but you won't be getting your Qs recorded with ASCA.

This trial will be 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.

Dogs entering the standard jump height classes 20" or less (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 are exempt as well as Vet/JR./ACE dogs entering the 16"+ jump heights. Please include a copy of your card with your entry.

Through submission of entry, the competitor acknowledges that they are knowledgeable of ASCA rules and regulations, and Love and Laughter Dogs - ASC trial policies, including, but not limited to the following: All healthy, trained dogs, purebred or otherwise, at least eighteen (18) months of age are eligible to compete in ASCA Agility Trials. Bitches in heat, lame, or blind dogs are ineligible for entry. Bitches that come into heat or dogs that become injured prior to the closing date may have their entry fees refunded, less \$25, pending proof from a veterinarian.

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, a report will be sent to ASCA and may be banned from further LALD - ASC events. No entry will be accepted for a dog or handler disqualified from the ASCA Agility program nor anyone not in good standing with ASCA

TOYS IN THE RING: toys may be brought into the ring for training purposes. These toys may not involve food or treats of any kind, may not make noise, or may not leave parts behind. All handlers declaring toys will mark the gate sheet with a "T" at the run check-in and will run according to gate sheet check in of the jump height. Upon entering the ring, handlers must declare to the judge that they have a toy. They will be immediately eliminated whether or not the toy is used and will have the specified time for training in the ring. If handlers bring a toy in the ring without declaring it, they will be asked to leave immediately and will not be able to use a toy for the remainder of the trial. If they use a toy again after being told that they cannot use it again in the trial, they will be excused from that trial. Handlers using toys for training in the ring must keep the toy concealed until the previous dog has left the ring and the handler and dog are in the ring. If the toy cannot be concealed, the handler must stay back 10' from the ring until the previous dog has left the ring. The handler cannot use the toy until they are in the ring. Handlers may tug or toss the toy but not further than 15 feet (4.57 meters). If the dog does not return with the toy but runs around the ring past their training time, they cannot use the toy again for that day. If the toy leaves the ring, the handler cannot use a toy again for the rest of the trial. If the dog leaves the ring to get the toy that has left the arena and starts a fight, the dog who left the ring will be excused from the trial per the ASCA Dog Aggression Rule. (Effective December 20, 2019)

All dogs must be on lead or securely crated when not in the ring. No dogs may be tied to any piece of property. **All dogs need to potty away from the building.** Entries must be made on the enclosed entry form. Copies may be made. Entries must be signed, complete, and paid in full to be accepted. Make all checks and money orders payable to LALD - ASC. 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 are not permitted on the trial grounds. LOVE AND LAUGHTER DOGS – ASC (LALD-ASC), its board of directors, ASCA, management, Sheila Freeman and Love and Laughter Dogs Arena assume no responsibility for any loss, damage, or injury sustained by the exhibitors, owners or to any of their dogs, personal property, or children.

Crating: Crating is around the arena. Crates may be left overnight, however the facility management is not responsible for lost or damaged items left at the site.

Restrooms – A port-a-potty and a wash station are on site

Lodging: Please check with the hotel to confirm their pet policy. The La Quinta in New Caney currently does not have a pet fee.

Motel 6 in Cleveland has larger rooms than normal and are pet friendly. **PLEASE CLEAN UP AFTER YOUR DOG!!!**

HOTELS/MOTELS

Motel 6 Cleveland 1004 S Washington Ave
Cleveland, TX 77327 281-592-0551

La Quinta New Caney 22025 US 59
New Caney, TX 77357-8257 281-354-1904

Baymont Conroe 1506 Interstate 45 S,
Conroe, TX 77304 936-242-8198

LaQuinta Conroe 4006 Sprayberry Ln
Conroe, TX 77303 936-228-0790

RV ACCOMMODATIONS

ON SITE CAMPING Dry camping allowed onsite in designated area.

Caney Creek RV Park 15590 Hwy 105
Cut and Shoot, TX 77306 936-788-3139

*We have not made arrangement with any hotels or RV parks but provide this information for your convenience.

Food: No Concessions on Site There is no food available for purchase onsite. Please bring food with you or plan to make a trip offsite to a restaurant. Restaurants and fast food eateries are located within 15 miles of the site.

Pizza Party Sunday Lunch

On Sunday we will be ordering from Pizza Hut for lunch if there is enough interest. If you'd like to participate, please bring \$5 and sign up at the trial site.

VOLUNTEERS: Please volunteer to help with course building and ring crew, it is greatly appreciated. It makes the trial run a lot faster and we pay worker bucks you can use on your next entry. A sign-up sheet is the last page on this premium. Thank you for helping.

ASCA's ACE Program

- The ACE (Agility Competition Enthusiast) program allows dogs 18 months or older to jump one height lower than their standard height. The current program will be called the Championship program. • Course times for dogs in the ACE program will be 10% greater than the Standard Division dogs in the Championship program in Regular and Jumpers. Gamblers time will be the same in both programs and based on the height of the jumps.
- Effective January 1st, 2015, the ACE program will also offer a Senior Dog Division. Any dog 7 years or older is eligible they will jump an **additional** jump height lower and receive 10% more time than the dogs in the ACE Standard Division. For example, a 7 year old dog measuring 19" at the withers will be able to enter the ACE Sr. Dog Division and jump 12".
- Each dog and handler team can only enter either the Championship program or ACE program on any one day of a trial. Dogs moving from the Championship program to the ACE program will be allowed to compete at a lower level if a qualifying score at a higher level has been obtained in the Championship program. For example, if a dog has earned its Open titles in the Championship program, it can enter the ACE program at the Novice, Open or Elite level. If this dog enters the ACE program in the Open or Elite classes, the Q's will be applied to the Novice ACE titles and since the dog has Q'd at the higher level in the ACE program it cannot return to compete at the lower level.

Points from the two programs will be separate and will not be combined except for certain Elite titles from the Championship program that may be moved to the ACE program. The "transferring" of points will only be made once and must be requested in writing and sent to the Business office. Points from the ACE program may not be transferred to the Championship program.

- The points needed for each title are the same in both programs (base, Outstanding, Superior and ATCH (called ACE in the ACE program)).
 - The ACE program is NOT eligible for Finals, Merit List or HOF.
- For more information regarding the ACE program please visit the agility rules on the ASCA website:
 - <https://www.asca.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/04/AgilityRules.pdf>

Directions: From Houston take IH45 to Conroe, take South Loop 336 go right, stay on 336 to Hwy 105. Follow Hwy 105 east approximately 12 miles to light at North Walker Rd, go left at the light – trial site is 2 miles on left side after open field. [Google GPS Love and Laughter Dogs](#)

**SPEED LIMIT ON NORTH WALKER ROAD IS 35 MPH!!!
HEAVILY PATROLLED!!!**

From North take IH45 south to Conroe. Take north Loop 336 exit and go over freeway staying on Loop336 to Hwy 105. Turn left on Hwy 105 go approximately 12 miles to light at North Walker Rd, go left at the light - trial site is 2 miles on left side after an open field. [GPS Love and Laughter Dogs](#)

Important Information:

No catalogs will be printed. Running order lists will be posted at the ring gate. Handlers with multiple dogs will be separated as much as the class allows. You are responsible for being present when it is your turn to run.

All move up requests must be received by the trial secretary by July 15, 2023. Next day move ups will be allowed at this trial. Notify the trial secretary if your dog titles and you wish to move to a higher class.

Awards: LALD - ASC will award strip ribbons for 1st through 4th place. Rosette ribbons will be awarded for qualifying run, New Title and ATCHs. We also give ATCH Bars.

FEO (For Exhibition Only) – We will accept FEO entries, but they are not eligible for any prizes or awards. Minimum age 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.

Cancellation of Entries - Refund of any entry fees following cancellation requests made after the trial closing date will be at the discretion of the club.

Agility Obstacles: The obstacles that will be made available to the judge of the trial are: winged and non-winged jumps, double jump, displaceable tire, rubber coated contacts (slat-less A-frame @ 5' 6", slat-less dog walk), teeter, weave poles (24" spacing), 15' tunnels, 20' tunnels

Trial Secretary – Sheila Freeman
loveandlaughterdogs@gmail.com 281-723-7475

Trial Chairperson – Krissy Chauvin
klchauvin@comcast.net 713-851-7442

Pre-Entry Fees

Pre-entry pricing is priced by the run. The more runs you enter, the more you save. **This includes all dogs in your household competing in this trial:**

1 - 11 runs - \$16.00 per run

12 - 26 runs - \$13.00 per run

27+ runs - \$11.00 per run

Junior Handler (must enter JH classes only) Half Price

Juniors (17 years old and under)

Day of Show Entry Fee (If runs are available. No quantity discounts.)

Entry per dog per run \$20

Entries open when premium is published

Pre- Entries Close Saturday July 15, 2023 (postmark)

Make checks payable to LALD - ASC and mail to:

LALD – ASC JULY

c/o Sheila Freeman

7269 N. Walker Rd. Cleveland, Tx 77328

Check-In and Setup

	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Setup begins at:	4pm	8am	7am
Check-In:	4:30-5:00pm	8:30-8:45am	7:30-7:45am
First dog on line at:	6:00pm	9am	8am

We will start with 4” on Friday and Sunday; start with 24” on Saturday.

Classes offered and Running Order – All Jumpers and Regular will be run Elite 1 & 2, Open 1 & 2, Novice 1 & 2. Gamblers will run Elite, Open then Novice. FEO offered in all levels. Move ups daily at the end of day.

Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Gamblers 1	Gamblers 1	Jumpers 1 & 2
Regular 1 & 2	Reg 1 & 2	Gamblers 1
	Gamblers 2	Reg 1 & 2
	Jumpers 1 & 2	Gamblers2

Let me know if you are close to your ATCH!!

LALD – ASC AGILITY TRIAL ENTRY FORM

July 21-23, 2023



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Owner: _____
 Address: _____
 City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____
 Telephone: (____) _____
 E-mail: _____
 Dog's Call Name: _____ Birth date: _____
 Registered Name: _____
 Breed: _____ Sex: _____
 ASCA # _____ (required to earn titles)
 Dog's Height@ withers: _____ Circle Height you want to Jump:
 4 8 12 16 20 20+ 24
 ACE _____ (Std/Sr. Dog division) or CH _____ (Vet/Jr./Std division)

Class Entered	Division						Level			Day Entered		
	JH CH	Vet CH	Std CH	Sr Dog Ace	Ace Dog	FEO	Nov	Open	Elite	Fri	Sat	Sun
Jumpers 1												
Jumpers 2												
Regular 1												
Regular 2												
Gamblers 1												
Gamblers 2												

Pre-Entry Fees: 1-11 runs @ \$16/run
12-26 runs @ \$13/run
27+ runs @ \$11/run **Total \$ _____**

Mail completed entry to: LALD – ASC JULY c/o Sheila Freeman
7269 N Walker Rd Cleveland, Tx 77328

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.

Please volunteer to help with the trial. Fill out this form. We pay worker bucks good toward your next trial at LALD - ASC!! Thank you!!

Emergency Contact: _____ **Phone Number:** _____

Volunteers are greatly appreciated. We pay worker bucks, provide water and snacks. In order to make the trial run more smoothly please volunteer to help. If you don't know how to do a job, we'll teach you. If you have a question(s) about a particular job, just ask. Please circle the job(s) you want to do.

**Volunteers: What job(s) are you available to do: Timer Scribe Gate Steward
Bar Setter Leash Runner**

Your name: _____

email: _____

Dogs you have entered in the trial & which classes:
