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New Hope Australian Shepherd Club



ASCA SANCTIONED Agility Trial

April 6-7, 2024

New Location !!!!!

Love & Laughter Dogs Arena

7269 North Walker Road, Cleveland, TX 77328

**** Indoors on Dirt ****

Classes Offered & Run Order:

Saturday: Gamblers 1, Regular 1 & 2, Gamblers 2, Jumpers 1 & 2

Sunday: Jumpers 1 & 2, Gamblers 1, Regular 1 & 2, Gamblers 2

(FEO entries in all classes are available!)

Training Runs (with a toy) will be allowed in run order.

Judge:

Roger Coor from Phoenix, AZ

ALL BREEDS AND MIXED BREEDS MAY COMPETE!!

TO OBTAIN AN ASCA NUMBER, SEE THE FORM INSIDE THIS PREMIUM.

Entries limited to 350 runs per day

**Pre-entries open upon premium publication and close
Wednesday March 27, 2024 (email move-ups accepted through 4/1/24)**

Day-of-show entries will be accepted *as entry limits permit.*

Most Versatile Aussie!

Scores from this trial will be used for our 2024 MVA tournament! In conjunction with Stock April 12-14 2024 (Plantersville) Conformation June 1-2, 2024 (College Station) Rally/Obedience June 1-2, 2024 (College Station)

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.

Copies of the ASCA Service Membership & Q Tracking Number Application can be found online at <https://asca.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/06/qtsvcapp.pdf>, if you wish to apply for an ASCA number.

Through submission of entry, the competitor acknowledges that they are knowledgeable of ASCA rules and regulations, including, but not limited to the following:

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. No one with outstanding checks to either ASCA or NHASC is considered in good standing.

Eligibility for Entry

All healthy, trained dogs over 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 will have their entry fees refunded, less \$15, 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. All ASCA Agility trials shall be open to purebred and mixed breed dogs.

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.

Programs, Divisions, Levels, and Classes

The ASCA certification structure is based upon Programs (Championship or ACE), Divisions (Standard, Veteran, or Junior Handler within Championship and Standard and Senior Dog within ACE), Levels (Novice, Open or Elite), and Classes (Regular, Jumpers, and Gamblers). Please see the ASCA Rulebook <https://asca.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/08/agilityrules.pdf> for detailed descriptions of each.

For Exhibition Only (FEO) entries will be allowed. All FEO entrants **must be at least 15 months old**.

Jump Height Exemptions are available for certain breeds. A listing may be obtained in the Agility Rulebook at www.asca.org.

**** MEASURING POLICY** All standard division dogs entered in 20" or less (or vet/JH dogs entered 16" or less) without an ASCA, AKC, or NADAC height card or USDAA information page must be measured at check-in. This includes 20"**

jumping dogs not entered in 20+. ** Please send in a copy of your Height Card with your entry if you have one.

Trial Chairman: Donna Fisher, 281-851-8131, lydrock2@yahoo.com
Trial Secretary: Liz Neuman, 979-257-9615, quidpocket@gmail.com

Agility Obstacles:

The following obstacles may be used at this agility trial: Dog Walk, 24" Weave Poles, 5' 6" tall A-Frame, Displaceable Tire Jump, Teeter-totter, Non-winged single hurdles, Winged single hurdles, Open tunnel. A-Frame and Dogwalk are rubber and slatless.



Dogs must be registered with ASCA to have their titles tracked with ASCA. You may enter as "pending", but need to send in your registration forms to ASCA at the same time. We are not responsible for lost Qs if you do not register with ASCA in a timely manner. You may enter without a QTracking number; you just will not be getting your Q's recorded with ASCA. If you have any questions about obtaining an ASCA QTracking number, send an email to membership@asca.org Forms can be downloaded from <https://asca.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/06/qtsvcapp.pdf>.

Pre-entry Fees:

Individual runs: \$18 each

Weekend Package (12 runs) - \$180 (\$160 for 2nd dog+)

Half Package (6 total runs) - \$96

**** Checks must be made out to NHAG ****

(packages cannot be split between dogs or added on to)

Junior Handler runs are half-price.

All day-of show entries will be \$25/run. No package pricing.

Day-of show entries will be allowed, if the entry limit is not met.

Day-of-show entries will be taken up to 30 minutes before the trial starts.

Pre-entries close Wednesday March 27, 2024. Move-ups will be allowed through Monday 4/1/24. Only emailed move-ups will be accepted at quidpocket@gmail.com.

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.

No leads, collars, food, toys, etc will be allowed on the course. Exceptions are for using a toy for training or keeping a leash in your pocket.

All dogs must be on lead or securely crated when not in the ring.

Entries must be made on the enclosed entry form or on ASCA's agility entry form. Copies may be made. Entries must be signed, complete, and paid in full to be accepted.

Dog sales or puppies under eight weeks are not permitted on the trial grounds.

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.

Dogs may not be left unattended in the arena. Anyone who leaves dogs unattended will be asked to leave and no refunds will be made. Reports may be filed with ASCA.

You are responsible for being present when it is your turn to run. We will not hold the ring for absent handlers.

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.

Check-in Saturday and Sunday mornings will start at 7:15. We will start walking the first course at 7:45 and begin running dogs at 8:00. **Committee may adjust start times based on entries.** Please check your final email confirmation. All dogs that have to be measured must be done by 7:45. Any day-of-show entries must be completed by 7:30 AM. Dogs checked in on Saturday need not check in again on Sunday.

Directions to Love & Laughter Dogs Arena:

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.

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.

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

Lodging: Please inform management of your dogs when making a reservation. Please check with each hotel regarding their current pet policies.

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. Please email Sheila Freeman at loveandlaughterdogs@gmail.com to reserve a spot.
Caney Creek RV Park 15590 Hwy 105
Cut and Shoot, TX 77306 936-788-3139

Food: There is no food available on site. 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. You are also welcome to bring your own food and drinks, but please no glass containers or alcoholic beverages.

Awards: NHASC will award strip ribbons for 1st through 4th place as well as qualifying strip ribbons for all qualifying runs. The 20+ and 24" classes may be combined for placements at this trial.

About training with toys in the ring: Toys maybe brought into the ring for training. These toys may not involve food or treats of any kind, may not make noise or may not leave part behind. Handlers will mark the gate sheet with a "T" at check in and will run in-order during their class. Toys must be declared when entering the ring. 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.

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:
- <http://www.asca.org/Portals/0/AgilityRules.pdf>

AGILITY TRIAL ENTRY FORM



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Mail to: NHASC c/o Liz Neuman
8910 Grunwald Rd., Beasley, TX 77417
quidpocket@gmail.com 979-257-9615
*** Checks payable to NHAG ***

Illegible or incomplete entry forms will NOT be accepted.

Owner: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Telephone: (_____) _____

E-mail: _____

Dog's Call Name: _____ Birth date: _____

Registered Name: _____

Breed: _____ Sex: _____

ASCA # _____ (required to earn titles - see page 2)

Dog's Height: _____ Height you want to jump: 4 8 12 12+ 16 16+
20 20+ 24

Class Entered	Division Entered					Level Entered			Day Entered	
	ACE Std	ACE Sr.	CH JH	CH Vet	CH Std	Novice	Open	Elite	Sat	Sun
Jumpers 1										
Jumpers 2										
Regular 1						A or B				
Regular 1						A or B				
Gamblers 1										
Gamblers 2										

Circle A or B for Novice Regular Runs

Handler: _____

Volunteers: What job are you available to do:

Timer Scribe Gate Steward Bar Setter Leash Runner

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.

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

Date: _____

