

JUDGING PROGRAM
Western Carolina Dog Fanciers Association
AKC Trial
September 20-22, 2019

LOCATION / DIRECTIONS

The trial will be held at the Haywood County Fairgrounds, 758 Crabtree Road, Waynesville, NC 28785

From East or West, I-40 to Exit 24, Lake Junaluska/Hot Springs. At end of exit take Hwy 209 South (Crabtree Road). Proceed approximately 2 miles; cross a large concrete bridge, and the Arena is on your left. **From the South**, take the Great Smoky Mountain Expressway (Hwy 23/74) to Exit 104 (East Waynesville/Hot Springs/Lake Junaluska). At the end of exit ramp, turn left onto Hwy 209 (Crabtree Road) headed north. Proceed approximately 1 mile; arena will be on your right.

The area has many fast food chain restaurants, but the best dining options are locally owned and unique. There will be a map and listing of local restaurants on display at the trial site to help you make a choice.

TRIAL SCHEDULE

Thursday, September 19 - 2:00 - 4:00pm --- Trailers arrive, set up begins. **Those volunteering for set up have PRIORITY crating at this time and will also receive a \$5 voucher.** If you are NOT HELPING SET UP, you can set up your crates AFTER 4:00 pm. Do not assume you can set up early and keep your spot. DO NOT try to set up earlier, as you may have to move, or we may move your crates for you! Remember that we have to cordon off areas for vendors. The facility gates will be CLOSED and LOCKED at 7:00 pm on Thursday and will re-open Friday morning at 7:00 am.

Friday/Saturday/Sunday, September 20 – 22

7:30 - 8:00 a.m. - Check-in and measuring;

RING 2

8:00 a.m. Briefing;

8:15 a.m. Judging begins

RING 1

8:15 a.m. Briefing;

8:30 a.m. Judging begins

On Friday and Sunday the jump height order for most classes will be small to tall; on Saturday it will be tall to small.

MEASURING

All dogs who need measuring MUST be measured PRIOR to running. It is YOUR responsibility to allow sufficient time before your run for your dog to be measured.

We have **THREE VMO's**, our judge Michele Fletcher, Nancy Davis (volunteering) and Ben Gibbs (competitor - available on Sat and Sun only), who will gladly measure dogs when they are not judging, volunteering or competing. If you are running early and you need a measurement to run your dog, plan to be at the trial during the official measuring time each morning. If you'll be running much later in the day, please arrive well before your class to assure a measurement. Other times of the day will depend on Nancy, Michele and Ben's availability so check the estimated timeline (and it is only estimate!) and be sure to give yourself a **MINIMUM** of an hour prior to your class to have time to be measured. You may need to wait for one of the three to be available so plan for that. Measurements will be done from 7:30 – 8:00 each morning, and other approximate times will be posted daily at the measurement table.

IMPORTANT: If your jump height changes from your entered height due to a measurement, you **MUST SEE JAYNE ABBOT, TRIAL SECRETARY, TO BE MOVED, BEFORE** you run your dog.

NEXT-DAY MOVE-UPS

For this event, competitors completing a title may move up to the next level the following day. A move-up sheet will be available by the results/stickers area, and must be completed, in writing, and presented to the trial secretary within 15 minutes of the completion of the last class of the day on which you earn your title. Email/text/facebook messages are not acceptable.

HANDLERS RESPONSIBILITIES

We will need everyone's cooperation to keep things moving. To make sure that this trial runs as smoothly and efficiently as possible, we will use the following procedures:

1. You are responsible for checking in with the gate steward before or after your walk-through.
2. While each dog is running, we will have one dog on the line, one dog on deck, and one dog in the hole. Be sure that you are at the gate, ready to take your place in line. We will not look for you---if you are not there, you will lose your turn to run. If you have ring conflicts, let both gate stewards know, and they will make sure that you do get your runs.
3. The dog on the line should be ready to run before the dog on course finishes the last obstacle. When the timer tells you to go, begin your run!

SCORING, POSTING, QUESTIONS

Scores will be posted in notebooks near the awards table, and we will have real-time results showing on monitors at the scoring table, located at the exit of the rings. Please check your results as soon as possible so we may resolve any questions you may have before the judge forgets your run. While it is true the score table is busy, we are never too busy to help you or answer your questions.

AWARDS

Ribbons will be self-service. This is how it works: After the judge has reviewed all scribe sheets and catalog pages for your class (or height group for Masters/Excellent) we will release individual printed ribbon labels. You will then be able to come to the Awards area and make your own ribbon(s) using these printed labels. We will try to have the labels out as soon as we can, but please be patient -- remember that the AKC requires extensive review of the results by judges before ribbons can be made available to competitors.

In addition to rosettes for placements and qualifying flat ribbons, we will have new title ribbons, double Q ribbons, and MACH/PACH ribbons and bars. IF YOU MAY EARN A MACH/PACH AT THIS TRIAL, please let Anne Bello, ribbons coordinator, know before your run. All ribbons will be available for pickup at the awards area.

Ribbons will NOT BE MAILED to you after the trial; you must pick them up on Sunday or they will be recycled.

VOLUNTEERS

If you offered to volunteer to help out at the show, THANK YOU! We have posted an online sign up schedule for volunteers linked to our website, www.wcdfa.org. The online scheduling tool allows you the opportunity to choose your favored jobs and times for helping that work best for you.

In addition to our sincere appreciation, volunteers will get vouchers that can be used at the concession stand, for shopping at our vendors, and/or for \$\$ off future entries. Online signups to volunteer will close at 6pm on Monday, September 16. If you forget to volunteer prior to the trial, you can sign up at the trial. No experience necessary!! We train!! We always need volunteers. There will also be a volunteer raffle each afternoon for two \$20.00 Clean Run Gift Certificates, and some other goodies as well!

VENDORS

We are happy to host a great variety of vendors for your shopping pleasure. Vendors will be set up on both ends of the arena, so take a look around. They are listed below:

Blue Ridge Therapeutic (Massage for Pets & People) - Beverly Adams

Dr. John Faherty - Chiropractic Care for Pets & People

The Dog House – bedding, supplements, toys, grooming products

In Motion Photography – Gary Depp

Owned by My Dog - custom designed breed specific T shirts, silk paintings

Kindred PEMF - Morgan Rhodes - pulsed electro-magnetic field therapy

EMB Monogramming - Ella Mae & Jennifer Blessing - human clothing, art, toys

CRATING

The Great Smokies Arena is a dirt-floored, outdoor, covered arena. There is ample room for crating. The Arena will be open for crating after 4pm on Thursday. Please do not plan to set up earlier than 4pm.

FOOD

Lenoir Creek Beef & Bakery will be on hand once again with great fresh food choices for breakfast and lunch. They will be open from 8am – 3pm on Friday and Saturday, and from 8am – 1pm on Sunday. Look for them in their food trailer at the north end of the arena!

VETERINARIANS

On Call During Trial Hours: Country Lane Animal Hospital
9019 Carolina Blvd. Clyde, NC 28721 (828) 627-9100 (1.5 miles from show site)

After Hours: Haywood Animal Emergency @ Junaluska Animal Hospital
3248 Asheville Rd. (Bus. US 23), Waynesville, NC (828) 452-1478 (1.4 miles from show site)

5:30 pm – Midnight M-F, 8:30 am – Midnight Sat/Sun

From show site: left onto Crabtree Rd., continue under US19/74 overpass, road becomes Business US 23/Asheville Rd., go past Lowes, clinic on left

After Midnight: Reach Emergency Animal Hospital

677 Brevard Road, Asheville, NC 28806 (828) 665-4399
From I-40, take Exit 47 and go south on 191 for 0.9 miles; clinic on your right

HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS

Waynesville NC area MOTELS & CAMPGROUNDS THAT ACCEPT DOGS

The area surrounding our trial is unique in that we have very few “chain” hotels. Many of the facilities listed below are locally owned and very individual in their appearance and amenities. Please contact hotel(s) for information.

Pricing is for Sept. 20-21, 2019 and can change without notice. Does not include taxes. Call to verify prices and pet policy. Waynesville is a tourist area and September is high tourist season so make reservations early!

Also check Airbnb and Homeaway websites for vacation rental homes in the area.

- Waynesville** (less than 10 miles from trial site/NC zip code 28786)
- Super 6**, 30 Liner Cove Road,..... (828) 454-9667
 www.Super8.com \$10/night pet fee
- Econolodge**, 232 Phillips Rd., US 23/74 Exit 102)..... (828) 246-6201
 \$15/night pet fee; max. of 2 pets under 30#

Deer Country Vacation Cabins, 124 Borges Lane (828) 400-7597
www.deercountry.com, \$130-\$170, maximum 2 pets

Moose Crossing Log Cabins, 2771 Old Balsam Road (828)452-2550
www.moosecrossing.com \$15/dog per night, \$110 and up room rate

Maggie Valley (less than 10 miles from trial site/NC zip code 28751)

Twinbrook Resort, 230 Twinbrook Lane (828) 926-1388
www.twinbrookresort.com Will waive pet fee for trial, \$159-199

Alamo Motel, 1485 Soco Road (828) 926-8750
www.alamomotel.com \$6-\$12 pet fee/night depending on dog size
Some 2 room cottages (slightly higher cost) 3 dogs max/room

Travelowes, 3194 Soco Road (828)926-1732
www.travelowes.com State you're with WCDFA Dog Trial, \$10 pet fee, \$65 Th, \$109 F/Sa

Cozy Creek Cottages, 163 Moody Farm Road (828) 926-1231
\$40 total pet fee, limit 2 dogs. \$105-140 depending on cabin size

Cross Creek RV Park, 69 Georgia Lane (828) 926-1183
\$42-47/night, full hookup, cable; free WiFi in pavilion; no charge for dogs but check on numbers allowed, no x-pens outside, dump station, fenced in dog part on site

Creek 'n' Woods Cabins, 115 Wayah Zooshuga Road (828)926-5259
www.creeknwoods.com \$50/stay pet fee but check first, \$199 8-9 people/cabin \$360 14 people/cabin, dogs must be crated and quiet if left alone in room.

Meadowlark Motel, 2878 Soco Road (828) 926-1717
www.meadowlarkmotel.com \$79-\$89 + \$5/pet/night (good dog walk area)

Creekwood Village (828) 926-3321
www.creekwoodresort.com Rates vary, 10% trial discount (mention), \$10/day pet fee

Canton (less than 10 miles from trial site/NC zip code 28716)

America's Best Value inn, 1963 Champion Dr. (828) 648-0300
www.americasbestvalueinn.com \$15/night pet fee

Crabtree Retrievers Bed and Breakfast, \$80.00 per night/no pet fee..... (828) 506-4448
www.crabtreeretrievers.com

Candler (approx. 20-25 miles from trial site/NC zip code 28715)

Days Inn, 2551 Smoky Park Hwy, Candler (I-40 Exit 37) (828) 667-9321
\$12 pet fee/night. 2 dogs max/ room

Asheville (approx.. 20-25 miles from trial site/NC zip code 28806)

Red Roof Inn, 16 Crowell Rd., Asheville (I-40 Exit 44) (828) 667-9803
no pet fees (1 pet/room but will make exception for show)

CAMPING ON-SITE

- RVs may dry camp free (there are no hook-ups or dump site at this facility) at the site. **No Reservations Required.** Dump service available at Winngray Campground, 26 Winngray Lane (off Hwy 276), Waynesville, NC 28785; 828-926-3170 at a cost of \$7.00
- ***Please park with sufficient distance between rigs to maintain comfort and safety.***
- Free tent camping but tents are NOT allowed in the barns nor can you use electricity from the barns because these facilities are not included in our rental contract. Tenting is not available under the arena as the area is locked at night.
- If camping onsite, please plan to arrive no earlier than 3:00pm on Thursday, September 20.
- In addition to dry camping, a VERY limited number of hookups MAY be available through the Haywood County Fairgrounds manager. Please contact Chris Caldwell, manager, at managerhcfg@gmail.com or 828-400-1704 for more info. **PLEASE NOTE: There is a children's consignment event in the upper building near the camper hookups on Thursday through Saturday from 10am – 8pm. Shopper parking for this event will be limited to the areas near the upper building only.**

We look forward to seeing you soon! Have a safe trip to the trial.

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