



# **Oklahoma City Obedience Training Club**

(Licensed by the American Kennel Club)

# **AKC SCENT WORK TRIALS**



#### CERTIFICATION

Permission is granted by the American Kennel Club for the holding of this event under American Kennel Club rules and regulations.

Gina DiNardo, Secretary

Friday Saturday Sunday 3/19/2021 3/20/2021 3/21/2021

All Breed Scent Work All Breed Scent Work All Breed Scent Work #2021029619 #2021029620 #2021029621

TRIAL CHAIRPERSON	TRIAL SECRETARY
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#### Trials are held at:

# Canadian County Fair Barn, 220 N. Country Club Rd, El Reno, OK

- No dogs may be left on grounds overnight.
- Trial Opening date is 2/3/2021 at 10:00 am CDT. Entries close 3/10/2021 at 10:00 am CDT.
- Entry Limits— 125 dogs per judge per day
- Trial to be held Indoors/Outdoors

# **Trial Hours:**

8:00am to 4:00pm

Morning check-in from 7:00am-8:00am daily Handler's Briefing at 7:30am, first dog to follow

#### **JUDGES**

**Madonna Gallant** 9233 Lansbrook Lane Oklahoma City, OK 73132 Oklahoma City, OK 73132 Judge ID #102367

**David Gallant** 9233 Lansbrook Lane Judge ID #102366

Ellen Heavner 13644 Flagstone Lane Dallas, TX 75240 Judge ID #107756

#### OFFICERS AND BOARD MEMBERS OF OCOTC

President: Betsy Staton

Vice President: Joann Weaver

Recording Secretary: Paige Graumann

5317 SE 88th St, Oklahoma City, OK 73135

Treasurer: Patsy Graumann

#### **EVENT COMMITTEE**

Chair: Karen Allen

Paula Miller, Paige Graumann, Betsy Staton, Patti Cantrell

Committee members that are not Trial Judges are allowed to exhibit and steward at these trials per AKC Regulations.

# **VETERINARIAN ON CALL**

Veterinarian - ON CALL NEEL VETERINARY HOSPITAL 2700 N. MacArthur Blvd Oklahoma City, OK 73127 (405) 947-8387

#### **EMERGENCY SERVICES**

Open 24 hours every day

FIRE/AMBULANCE/POLICE: 911

LOCAL HOSPITAL:

**INTEGRIS Canadian Valley Hospital** 

1201 Health Center Parkway, Yukon, OK 73099

#### SPECIAL COVID-19 INSTRUCTIONS AND NOTICES

- OCOTC will follow State, local, and facility guidelines as they apply to Canadian County.
- Crating in Vehicles is strongly encouraged. Masks are required in all areas inside the building, including crating areas. If you choose to crate indoors, crating is to be six feet apart, except for "family" groups of exhibitors and dogs.
- Bring your own masks. Masks will be REQUIRED in the building. It is up to the judge whether or not you have to wear a mask in the ring.
- Judges' will be taking competitor's temperature before entry into each search area. Per CDC guidelines: a measured temperature of 100.4° or appearance of a flushed face, glassy eyes or chills will exempt you from competing.
- Wash your hands as frequently as possible. Avoid shaking hands and hugging.
- Avoid touching dogs that are not your responsibility.
- Hand sanitizer will be available for all persons in the building.
- No food, coffee, snacks, or drinks will be provided. Bring your own beverages (water, soda, etc.) and food (lunch and/or snacks).
- Food, canned soda, and/or bottled water will be provided for volunteers and judges.
- Check-in for each search will be done by the ring steward at the site for that element.
- Participants are required to distance themselves a minimum of 6 feet apart, or judges may provide individual briefing as dogs approach start line.
- If an exhibitor or someone close to an exhibitor becomes ill prior to the event, and COVID-19 is suspected, we will refund your money, even if notification is made after the closing date.

AKC Rules, Regulations, Policies and Guidelines are available on the American Kennel Club Web site, www.akc.org

#### **AGREEMENT**

I certify that I am the actual owner of the dog, or that I am the duly authorized agent of the actual owner whose name I have entered. In consideration of the acceptance of this entry, I (we) agree to abide by the rules and regulations of The American Kennel Club in effect at the time of this event, and any additional rules and regulations appearing in the premium list of this event and entry form and any decision made in accord with them. I (we) agree that the club holding this event has the right to refuse this entry for cause which the club shall deem sufficient. I (we) certify and represent that the dog entered is not a hazard to persons or other dogs. In consideration of the acceptance of this entry and of the holding of this event and of the opportunity to have the dog judged and to win prizes, ribbons, or trophies, I (we) agree to hold the AKC, the event-giving club, their members, directors, governors, officers, agents, superintendents or event secretary and the owner and/or lessor of the premises and any provider of services that are necessary to hold this event and any employees or volunteers of the aforementioned parties, and any AKC approved judge, judging at this event, harmless from any claim for loss or injury which may be alleged to have been caused directly or indirectly to any person or thing by the act of this dog while in or about the event premises or grounds or near any entrance thereto, and I (we) personally assume all responsibility and liability for any such claim; and I (we) further agree to hold the aforementioned parties harmless from any claim of loss, injury or damage to this dog.

Additionally, I (we) hereby assume the sole responsibility for and agree to indemnify, defend and save the aforementioned parties harmless from any and all loss and expense (including legal fees) by reason of the liability imposed by law upon any of the aforementioned parties for damage because of bodily injuries, including death at any time resulting therefrom, sustained by any person or persons, including myself (ourselves), or on account of damage to property, arising out of or in consequence of my (our) participation in this event, however such, injuries death or property damage may be caused, and whether or not the same may have been caused or may be alleged to have been caused by the negligence of the aforementioned parties or any of their employees, agents, or any other person. I (we) agree that the determination of whether the injury is serious shall be made by the event veterinarian and is binding on me (us). I (WE) AGREE THAT ANY CAUSE OF ACTION, CONTROVERSY OR CLAIM ARISING OUT OF OR RELATED TO THE EN-TRY, EXHIBITION OR ATTENDANCE AT THE EVENT BETWEEN THE AKC AND THE EVENT-GIVING CLUB (UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED IN THIS PREMIUM LIST) AND MYSELF (OURSELVES) OR AS TO THE CONSTRUCTION, INTERPRETATION AND EFFECT OF THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE SETTLED BY ARBITRATION PURSUANT TO THE APPLICABLE RULES OF THE AMERICAN ARBITRATION ASSOCIATION. HOWEVER, PRIOR TO ARBITRATION ALL APPLICABLE AKC BYLAWS, RULES, REGULATIONS, AND PROCEDURES MUST FIRST BE FOLLOWED AS SET FORTH IN THE AKC CHARTER AND BYLAWS, RULES, REGULATIONS, PUBLISHED POLICIES AND GUIDELINES.

#### **INSTRUCTIONS**

Please check the box for each class desired to be entered. Dogs may enter two different levels within each element, at each trial. Dogs entered the Advanced, Excellent, Master or Detective classes must have earned the required title, as stipulated in the AKC Scent Work Regulations. Dogs may enter either the Novice "A" class or the Novice "B" class—not both. To be eligible for High in Trial award you must be entered in all elements for this trial.

<b>SIGNATURE</b> of owner or his agent duly authorized to make this entry.
SIGN HERE X:
Phone #:
Email:
In case of Emergency – Name:
Phone #·

# **CLASSES OFFERED & JUDGING ASSIGNMENTS**

	Madonna Gallant	David Gallant	Ellen Heavner
	#102367	#102366	#107756
Friday 3/19/2021	Container Nov, Adv, Exc, Mas Buried Nov, Adv, Exc, Mas	Interior Mas, Exc, Adv, Nov Handler Disc Mas, Exc, Adv, Nov	Exterior Mas, Exc, Adv, Nov Detective
Saturday 3/20/2021	Interior Mas, Exc, Adv, Nov Handler Disc Mas, Exc, Adv, Nov	Exterior Mas, Exc, Adv, Nov Detective	Container Nov, Adv, Exc, Mas Buried Nov, Adv, Exc, Mas
Sunday 3/21/2021	Exterior Mas, Exc, Adv, Nov Detective	Container Nov, Adv, Exc, Mas Buried Nov, Adv, Exc, Mas	Interior Mas, Exc, Adv, Nov Handler Disc Mas, Exc, Adv, Nov

The A/B Sections: The Novice A class is for beginners. The exhibitor is fully responsible for entering the dog in the correct class(es)/divisions. Failure to do so will result in the cancellation of qualifying scores.

# Move-ups will be offered. All requests must be made prior to the Handler's Briefing for that Trial

#### ENTRY METHOD—First Received Entries

**ENTRIES WILL OPEN Wednesday, 2/3/2021 10:00am CDT** at the Trial Secretary's address. All mailed entries received before 2/3/2021 will be returned. Overnight or certified mail must be sent with the "No Signature Required" waiver signed. Entries are accepted in order of receipt by post mark. The Trial Secretary will make the final determination to fairly and equitably determine which entries were received first.

MAIL IN ENTRIES must be <u>received</u> by Wednesday, 3/10/2021 10:00am CDT. After which time entries cannot be accepted, cancelled, altered, or substituted except as provided for in Chapter 11, Section 6 of the Rules Applying to Dog Shows. Entries received prior to the opening date shall be treated as an invalid entry and shall be returned to the sender.

#### WAIT-LIST INFORMATION

OCOTC is not offering a wait list to fill openings created by withdrawn entries after the trial's closing date/time.

#### **ENTRY FEES PER CLASS**

Each entry received by 3/10/2021—\$20 per class (fees include a \$3.50 AKC recording fee)

# Register via Mail by mailing forms and fees to:

Paige Graumann
5317 SE 88th St
Oklahoma City, OK 73135
Please make checks payable to the **OCOTC**.

Mail-In Registration must be received by March 10, 2021. No entries will be accepted by phone, email, fax, or hand delivery. Express mail entries must include the signature waiver allowing them to be left at the secretary's address. Inquiries may be directed to Paige Graumann at

<u>p.graumann@sbcglobal.net</u>. No entry shall be made and no entry shall be accepted which specifies any conditions as to its acceptance.

Illegible entries will not be processed and will be returned to the exhibitor.

Returned checks do not constitute a valid entry and the Trial Secretary will add a \$25.00 collection fee to the amount of each returned check.

#### DOGS ELIGIBLE TO ENTER

This trial is open to all dogs SIX (6) months of age or older that are registered with the American Kennel Club or that have AKC Limited Registration, Purebred Alternative Listing/Indefinite Listing Privileges (PAL/ILP), an AKC Canine Partners listing number or approved Foundation Stock Service (FSS) breeds are eligible to participate.

Dogs with physical challenges (including amputees) are eligible to participate provided that, in the opinion of the judge, the dog displays no sign of physical discomfort and can safely complete the search. Deaf and blind dogs are allowed to enter. Females in season may not participate. Aggressive dogs, or dogs suffering from an injury, or illness which may affect the dog's physical or mental performance may not participate. No dog shall compete if it is sutured, bandaged, or has any visible wounds. Deaf dogs and blind dogs are allowed to enter. Dogs that are both deaf and blind are able to participate so long as the handler is in control of the dog at all times, the dog can complete the requirements of the class, and the dog does not appear to be under undue stress in the opinion of the judge.

#### AKC SCENT WORK ENTRY FORM

Mail-In registration form

Exterior



MAIL TO: Paige Graumann
5317 SE 88th St
Oklahoma City, OK 73135

**Buried** 

Make checks payable to OCOTC

Handler

Det.

Entry Fees: \$20 per class, received by 3/10/2021

Interior

Container

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Trial 1 Fri., 8:00am 3/19/2021	☐ Novice A ☐ Novice B ☐ Advanced ☐ Excellent ☐ Master	☐ Novice A ☐ Novice B ☐ Advanced ☐ Excellent ☐ Master	□ No	ovice A ovice B Ivanced cellent aster	□ N □ A □ E	ovice A ovice B dvanced xcellent laster	☐ Novice A ☐ Novice B ☐ Advanced ☐ Excellent ☐ Master			
Trial 2 Sat., 8:00am 3/20/2021	☐ Novice A ☐ Novice B ☐ Advanced ☐ Excellent ☐ Master	☐ Novice A ☐ Novice B ☐ Advanced ☐ Excellent ☐ Master	□ No	☐ Novice A ☐ Novice B ☐ Advanced ☐ Excellent ☐ Master		ovice A ovice B dvanced xcellent laster	☐ Novice A ☐ Novice B ☐ Advanced ☐ Excellent ☐ Master			
Trial 3 Sun., 8:00am 3/21/2021	☐ Novice A ☐ Novice B ☐ Advanced ☐ Excellent ☐ Master	☐ Novice A ☐ Novice B ☐ Advanced ☐ Excellent ☐ Master	□ No □ Ao □ Ex	ovice A ovice B Ivanced cellent aster			☐ Novice A ☐ Novice B ☐ Advanced ☐ Excellent ☐ Master			
Number of Classes x \$20 per class = \$ Total due										
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Call name		Date of birth				Sex				
Breed						Variety				
Breeder										
Sire										
Dam										
Owner										
Owner's Address										
City			State Zip							
Telephone		Email								

Fields marked in blue are REQUIRED.

Junior Handler # (if applicable):

Fields marked in gray must be completed if the information is known.

Handler name (if different from owner):

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>Be sure to read the following Agreement and sign. No entry form will be processed without your signature!\*\*\*

# ADDITIONAL SITE INFORMATION

**Possession of Odors and Training**. Chapter 5. Section 26 of the Scent Work Regulations state "No person other than those engaged in the administration of a trial shall be in possession of any target odor when on the trial grounds. There shall be no training on the grounds of the AKC Scent Work trial, other than the designated warm-up area".

**Spectator Area.** COVID precautions are in effect. Spectators are not allowed for this trial.

**Crating space.** Crating in Vehicles is strongly encouraged. Masks are required in all areas inside the building, including crating areas. If you choose to crate indoors, crating is to be six feet apart, except for "family" groups of exhibitors and dogs. Crates may be left overnight.

**Exhibitors are responsible for cleaning up after their dog(s).** Any exhibitor failing to do so may be excused without benefit of refund if the Event Committee deems the exhibitor to be in violation of this requirement. Cleaning supplies and disposal sites will be available at various locations around the show grounds.

# **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!!**

For our Scent Work Volunteers, we will be offering a lunch on the days worked, a fast pass to the front of the running order, and volunteer crating. Contact our Scent Work Volunteer Coordinator, Marsha Harrod, email myseverance2@aol.com or 405-216-8219 to volunteer. Let Marsha know your entries, day(s)/time you can work and preferences. Thank you for volunteering, you are needed!!

**Trial Site.** It is not appropriate to visit the trial location prior to the trial date. Many search locations are real-life environments and such visits may risk the host losing the opportunity to use the location in the future.

Exhibitors should follow their veterinarian's recommendation to assure their dogs are free of internal and external parasites, any communicable diseases, and have appropriate vaccinations.

#### HANDLER DISCRIMINATION

Handler Discrimination classes are titling classes in which the targeted scent is that of the handler themselves. Handlers are required to provide their own scented articles in a plastic bag, for the Novice class, one cotton glove or cotton sock. Three qualifying scores are required to earn titles in each class. Handlers may utilize any method they feel is best to scent their article. Suggestions include rubbing the article on the handler's body or storing the article in dirty laundry.

# STAGING AREA, HANDLER'S BRIEFING, AND WARM-UP INFORMATION

The **Staging Area** will be out of view of search area(s). The Staging Area will include crating, warmup and waiting areas, as well as the Secretary's table for check-ins and posting of running order and results. Crating in Vehicles is strongly encouraged. Masks are required in all areas inside the building, including crating areas. If you choose to crate indoors, crating is to be six feet apart, except for "family" groups of exhibitors and dogs.

During the **Handler's Briefing** participants are required to distance themselves a minimum of 6 feet apart, or judges may provide individual briefing as dogs approach start line. In the Handler's Briefing the judge will explain if there is an off-leash option, number of hides, maximum height of hides and maximum time for the search. NO DOGS are to be present during a group Handler's Briefing.

A warm-up area will be available consisting of ONE container of each odor being tested at the trial and may also consist of blank containers. Exhibitors should limit their warm-up to (2) two minutes or less. The warm-up area is to be used exclusively for warming up the handler-dog team prior their run. The warm-up area is not for training or relieving of the dog.

# SEARCH AREA AND RING CONDITIONS

Search areas may be of any shape, and of the size specified in the Regulations for each class.

**Search Area Conditions**. Searches may be indoors, on matted, concrete, carpeted, or tiled surfaces, or outdoors on grass, gravel, dirt, sand, concrete, clay or asphalt surfaces.

**Search Area Sizes** are specified in the regulations for AKC Scentwork. Due to the nature of the venue, there will be substantial distances to cover to reach the search area, including uneven ground and variable surfaces.

### **AWARDS**

Placement ribbons will be awarded in each class as follows:

First Place......Blue
Second Place......Yellow
Fourth Place......White
Qualifying Score.....Dark Green

A **New Title** rosette will be awarded to all dog/handler teams finishing a title

# High in Trial

Only teams who participate in all elements offered (Container, Interior, Exterior, and Buried), and qualify in each, are eligible to win **High in Trial**. One High in Trial winner is chosen for each level offered.

The High in Trial is determined by adding the team's faults across the elements. If there is a tie based on faults, then the team's times across the elements will be summed and the faster-finishing team will win.

Teams winning High in Trial will earn a special trial rosette.

#### **Award for Junior Qualifier**

Handlers, under 18 years, will receive a special award for their dog earning a qualifying score in the Trial.

# **Award for Specially-Enabled Dogs**

Teams, where the dog has physical challenges (Chapter 2, Section 3) will receive a special award for their dog earning a qualifying score in the Trial.

# **REFUNDS**

**No entry fee** will be refunded if the trial cannot open or be completed by reason of riots, civil disturbances, fire, an act of God, public emergency, act of a public enemy, or any other cause beyond the control of the organizing committee. No entry fee will be refunded in the event a dog is absent, disqualified, excused, or barred from competition by the action of the Trial Committee. Dogs pulled after closing because of injury or other medical condition are not eligible for a refund.

**Bitches in season** will be refunded the full entry fee. Notification in writing must be given to the Trial Secretary no later than one half hour prior to the start of the first class of the day of the trial.

### NOTICE TO EXHIBITORS

SAFETY, BEHAVIOR and LIABILITY: The safety of the dog is our primary concern. By entering this trial, exhibitors acknowledge that they are familiar with the rules and regulations of this sport, and that their dogs are familiar with and able to perform all searches safely. It is expressly understood that exhibitors alone are responsible for the behavior of their dogs and/or children. Any exhibitor whose dogs and/or children create an unnecessary disturbance or repeatedly engage in unsafe or disruptive behavior may, at the discretion of the trial committee, be asked to leave the show site. In such case, no refund of any fees paid will be made. OCOTC and its agents, employees, etc., will assume no responsibilities for any loss, damage or injury sustained by exhibitors or handlers, or to any of their dogs or property and further assumes no responsibility for injury to children. OCOTC reserves the right to decline entries for cause and may remove any dog on account of aggression. No one shall have any recourse or claim against OCOTC or any official thereof.

**COLLARS, LEASHES AND HARNASSES:** During searches, dogs must wear a properly fitted collar or harness approved by the judge. Leashes may be of any length and/or retractable. The leash should be made of plain, pliable material.

All dogs must be on leash at all times, and retractable leashes may not be used when on trial grounds (except during judged searches). Dogs must enter and exit the search area with the leash attached to the collar or harness, including when waiting in the search area before and after the search. An off leash option may be offered at the discretion of the judge, only if the area is completely enclosed.

**EXHIBITOR CHECK-IN:** At check-in, you will receive your armband number and an event catalog. Once the time and location for check-in is determined all exhibitors will be notified by email. **Exhibitors MUST check-in EACH day they are entered.** 

**RINGSIDE:** Judges are not required to wait for dogs. The Owner of each dog is solely responsible for having it ready at the search area when it is to be judged. The Club has no responsibility to provide service through a public-address system or stewards or runners for the purpose of calling or locating dogs that are not brought into the ring when required. If, in the Judge's opinion, the exhibitor or their dog smells of a target odor, at the Judge's discretion, a Team may be dismissed from competition.

CLAIMS will be arbitrated as set forth on the Official AKC Entry Form for this event.