
ENTRY METHOD: FIRST RECEIVED

ENTRIES WILL OPEN ON Tuesday August 1, 2023 12:00 AM Eastern Time at the Trial Secretary's address. All entries received before this date will be returned. Overnight or certified mail must be sent with the "No Signature Required" waiver signed.

ENTRIES CLOSE ON Thursday September 7, 2023 12:00 PM Eastern Time 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. Envelopes/transactions containing entries for more than the ten (10) dog maximum and/or entries received prior to the opening date shall be treated as an invalid entry and shall be returned to the sender.

PREMIUM LIST



Northwestern Connecticut Dog Club, Inc.
MEMBER OF THE AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB



Novice, Advanced, Excellent All Elements & Master Container, Exterior, Buried

September 23, 2023 Event # 2023046604

September 24, 2023 Event # 2023046605

Goshen Fairgrounds

116 Old Middle St
Goshen, CT

ENTRY LIMITS

125 entries per Judge – First Received Method

To be held Indoors/Outdoors / NO INDOOR CRATING

JUDGES:

Susan L Alster-Scelzi # 102457 ISLIP TERRACE, NY

Andrea MacRitchie # 107960 BOLYSTON, MA

Theresa J Marinier # 100162 OLD SAYBROOK, CT

Trial Hours:

Saturday– 8:00am to 6:00pm

Sunday- 8:00am to 6:00pm

Check-in from 8:00-8:30am daily. Handler's Briefing at 8:30am, first dog to follow



**AMERICAN
KENNEL CLUB**

CERTIFICATION

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

OFFICERS OF NORTHWESTERN CONNECTICUT DOG CLUB

President Timothy Acker
 Vice President Joseph Allegrini
 Secretary Rene Allegrini
 Treasurer Mary Granda

TRIAL CHAIRPERSON	TRIAL SECRETARY
Kate Graham 37 Burgess Rd Morris CT 06763 katalystk9@gmail.com 860-248-9979	Julieanne Bovat 50 Country Club Rd. Stoneham, MA 02180-2359 (781) 264-2922 juliannebovat@yahoo.com

EVENT COMMITTEE

Kate Graham, Heather Schapp, Dawn Wicks and members of Northwestern Connecticut Dog Club.

CLASSES OFFERED SEP 23 & 24, 2023
CONTAINERS: Novice A/B, Advanced, Excellent, Master INTERIOR: Novice A/B, Advanced, Excellent EXTERIOR: Novice A/B, Advanced, Excellent, Master BURIED: Novice A/B, Advanced, Excellent, Master
Assignments may change to balance class sizes after closing. All competitors will be notified if changes occur.

Andrea MacRitchie	Susan Sclezi	Theresa J Marinier
Novice Interior	Novice Container	Novice Exterior
Advanced Interior	Novice Buried	Advanced Exterior
Excellent Interior	Advanced Container	Excellent Exterior
Master Container	Advanced Buried	Master Exterior
Master Buried	Excellent Container	
	Excellent Buried	

Move-ups must be received by the Trial Secretary by end of day Tuesday September 19, 2023. Any requests made after this date are subject to a \$5 per run late fee to change.

Move Ups from day of trial Saturday September 23, 2023 to Sunday September 24, 2023 will be accepted up until a half hour after the last class is completed on Saturday September 23, 2023. A Move Up form (available at the ribbon area/check in table or the Secretary desk) MUST be given to the Trial Secretary by this time for the Move UP to be accepted and processed. Move Ups requested after this time will NOT be accepted.

VETERINARIAN ON CALL

Veterinary Emergency Center
135 Dowd Avenue, Canton, CT 06019 (860) 693-6992

EMERGENCY SERVICES

Fire/ Ambulance/Police- Town of Goshen **Dial 9-1-1**
Charlotte Hungerford Hospital 540 Litchfield St, Torrington, CT

DOG 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 a Purebred Alternative Listing/Indefinite Listing Privileges (PAL/ILP) or an AKC Canine Partners listing number must be spayed or neutered in order to compete.

Condition of the Dog. Dogs with physical challenges (including amputees) are eligible to participate provided that, in the opinion of the judge, they display no signs of physical discomfort and can safely complete the search. Dogs with bandages, sutures, or visible wounds are not eligible. 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.

ENTRIES

*An entry is defined as a single run by a single dog, in a single class.

Each entry (includes a \$3.50 per run AKC recording fee..... \$27

Mail entry forms and fees to: Julianne Bovat
c/o NCDC
50 Country Club Rd.
Stoneham, MA 02180-2359

Please make checks payable to Northwestern Connecticut Dog Club.

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 Julianne Bovat at juliannebovat@yahoo.com. 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 \$30.00 collection fee to the amount of each returned check.

WAIT LIST INFORMATION

A maximum of 50 entries per day will be placed and/or added to the wait list. All entries, (including wait listed entries) must be received by the Trial Secretary prior to the Closing Date. No entries may be withdrawn with a refund after the Closing Date. If a withdrawn entry is replaced by a wait listed entry, a refund will be issued for the withdrawn entry. Payment / Checks received for a wait listed entry that do not move off the wait list (into the trial) will be shredded/destroyed by the trial secretary.

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

Staging Area will be out of view of search area(s). Staging area will include crating, warm-up and waiting area, as well as the secretary table for check-ins and posting of running order and results.

The **Handler's Briefing** will take place in view of the search area prior to the start of each class, after the hide(s) have been set and after the Demo Dog has run. In the Handler's Briefing the judge will explain if there's an off-leash option, number of hides, maximum height of hides and maximum time for the search. NO DOGS are to be present during the Handler's Briefing.

A **warm-up area** the club shall designate a warm-up area. One labelled container per target odor being used in the trial on that day will be placed in the warm-up area. This will allow handler-dog teams to prepare themselves for the search prior to their run. Each team should limit their warm-up to two minutes or less so that others may be able to use the warm-up area as well. Clubs may also place blank containers.

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 may be indoors, on matted, carpeted, tiled, or concrete, or outdoors on grass, gravel, earth, concrete, or asphalt surfaces.

ADDITIONAL SITE INFORMATION

Trial Site. It is not appropriate to scout 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.

Possession of Odors and Training. Chapter 5. Section 35 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. Spectators are encouraged. Any person not handling a dog in the current class, or any person who has already completed their run in the class may choose to watch the search from the spectator area. Handlers may not watch other exhibitors from their class prior to their run except in the case of Handler Discrimination classes. No one outside the search area may assist the handler or disclose the location of the hide.

Crating Space. Indoor crating will not be available. There is ample shade at the trial site, and pop up tents are allowed. Neither **Northwestern Connecticut Dog Club** nor Goshen Ag Society will be responsible for any lost or damaged items at the show site.

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.

There is ample crating/parking. Please bring your own shade and water. Restrooms on the grounds. **Exhibitors are responsible for off-site removal of any broken personal belongings such as chairs or tents. They may not be thrown in the trash as Goshen Ag. Society and NCDC are not responsible for discarding these items.**

All shade tents must be staked down.

Food: There will be no food truck on the premises, but there are local restaurants in Torrington and Litchfield.

RIBBONS, AWARDS, AND PRIZES

Placement ribbons will be awarded in each class as follows:

- First Place*.....*Blue*
- Second Place*.....*Red*
- Third Place*.....*Yellow*
- Fourth Place*.....*White*
- Qualifying Score*.....*Dark Green*

Title Rosettes - Will be awarded to all dog/handler teams finishing an element or level title. Please pick up your ribbons/rosettes prior to leaving the trial site, they will not be mailed.

The Northeast Border Terrier Club offers a prize (a dog toy and a unique item with the NBTC logo) for the first Q of each Border Terrier each day.

Kate Graham offers a prize (a dog toy and special rosette) for any junior handler that earns a Q each day.

HIGH IN TRIAL

Only teams who participate in the same difficulty level in all elements offered (Container, Interior, Exterior, Buried) and qualify in each are eligible to win High in Trial. One High In Trial winner is chosen per difficulty level. 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. The High in Trial award is not recorded by the AKC. Teams winning High In Trial will earn a rosette.

All exhibitors should obtain a copy of the Regulations for Scent Work, by downloading them here: <http://images.akc.org/pdf/rulebooks/RSW001.pdf>

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. The American Kennel Club 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. The American Kennel Club 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 the American Kennel Club or any official thereof.

Collars, Leashes and Harnesses. During searches, dogs must wear a properly fitted collar or harness approved by the judge. A wearable camera such as a Go Pro may be mounted to the dog's harness, if desired. 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.

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.

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.

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

HOTEL INFORMATION

Homewood Suites by Hilton, Southington, 1096 West St, Southington, CT 06489 (860) 276-3366, pet fees apply.

Wyndham Southbury, 1284 Strongtown Rd, Southbury, CT 06488 (203) 653-8179, pet fees apply.

Hampton Inn Waterbury, 777 Chase Pkwy, Waterbury, CT 06708 (203) 753-1777, pet fees apply.

RV PARKING

Overnight RV Parking/Camping is available for Friday and Saturday night at the Goshen Fairgrounds. Please contact Heather Schapp for a camping reservation form if interested at heather92015@outlook.com

DIRECTIONS TO THE TRIAL SITE

Via I-95, Merritt Parkway or I-84: Route 8 North to exit 42 (Route 118), west on Route 118, at second traffic light turn right to Route 63 North to the Goshen Fairgrounds, 116 Old Middle Street, Goshen, CT 06756

Via Route 7 North: In New Milford follow Route 202 East to Litchfield. Turn north (left) on Route 63 to the Goshen Fairgrounds, 116 Old Middle Street, Goshen, CT 06756

Via Route 7 South: In Canaan turn onto Route 63 to Goshen Fairgrounds, 116 Old Middle Street, Goshen, CT 06756

From the West: Follow Route 4 (East) to the Goshen Center traffic circle; turn right (South) onto Route 63 to the Goshen Fairgrounds, 116 Old Middle Street, Goshen, CT 06756

AKC Official Entry Form

Mail to: Julieanne Bovat
c/o NCDC
50 Country Club Rd
Stoneham, MA 02180

Please mark an "X" in the corresponding box for the level/element you wish to enter:

Saturday	Container	Interior	Exterior	Buried	
Novice A					
Novice B					
Advanced					
Excellent					
Master		Not offered			

Sunday	Container	Interior	Exterior	Buried	
Novice A					
Novice B					
Advanced					
Excellent					
Master		Not offered			

Entry fees: \$27 per class

Make checks payable to the NCDC

of classes entered: _____ X **\$27** = \$ _____

Total due

Trial Secretary will add a \$30.00 collection fee to the amount of each returned check.

AKC Registered Name		Registration Number	
		<input type="checkbox"/> AKC/PAL/ILP/CP <input type="checkbox"/> Foreign	
Call name	Date of birth	Sex	
Breed		Variety	
Owner			
Owner's Address			
City		State	Zip
Telephone	Email		
Handler name (if different from owner):		Junior Handler # (if applicable):	

Fields marked in blue are REQUIRED.

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

***Be sure to read the Agreement and sign on the reverse. No form will be processed without your signature!

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 ENTRY, 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

NOVICE A & B: Novice A Classes are open to dogs who have not completed any title for that particular element, who have not completed a comparable title with another organization, and whose handlers are neither Scent Work judges, nor have ever worked as professional detection dog handlers. Novice B Classes are open to all dogs.

Dogs must have prior title to compete in upper level classes.

SIGNATURE of owner or his agent duly authorized to make this entry.

SIGN HERE X: _____

Phone #: _____

Email: _____

In case of Emergency – Name: _____ **Phone #:** _____