



Fort Worth Agility Sports Team

Presents an

ASCA Agility Trial (Open to All Breeds of Dogs)

ASCA Sanctioning provided by The Australian Shepherd Club of Texas

February 20-22, 2015

Rendon Arena

7230 Stephenson-Levy Road, Rendon, Texas 76028

10 miles south of Fort Worth

Covered horse arena, dirt flooring, pipe fencing

Opening Date: December 15, 2014

Closing Date: February 9, 2015

Limited to 400 runs per day

Judge

Scott Lovelis of Alta Loma, CA

Classes Offered

Fri Elite Only – Jumpers 1&2, Gamblers 1, Regular 1

Sat & Sun – Regular 1&2, Jumpers 1&2, Gamblers 1, Gamblers 2 Elite Only

Trial Secretary

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Trial Chair

Pamela Bryant-Meeks

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****JUMP HEIGHT CARD OR MEASUREMENT REQUIRED****

Rule effective Feb 1, 2012

Dogs entering the standard jump height classes 20" or less (with 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. Please include a copy of your card with your entry or present your dog for measuring at check-in.

Notice that exhibitors, through submission of entries, acknowledge that they are knowledgeable of and agree to follow ASCA rules and regulations and FAST's trial policies, including but not limited to the following:

- This trial is open to all dogs, purebred or otherwise, at least 18 months of age.
- Bitches in heat, lame or blind dogs are ineligible for entry, as is any dog with a deformity which may cause the judge to not be able to reasonably assess the dog's ability to function and perform the obstacles safely, and in a manner that is in the best interest, health, and welfare of the dog. Any dog that demonstrates aggression towards any person or any other dog, whether inside or outside the ring, must be excused from the trial, as will any dog which the judge feels is not in enough control to perform all obstacles in a safe manner. 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.
- Bitches in heat are not allowed on the trial site. Bitches that come into heat or dogs that become injured before the closing date may have their entry fees refunded, less \$25.00, pending proof by veterinarian. Refund to be made after the trial closing date. No other refunds will be made after trial closing date. Overpayments below \$10 will be returned only upon request otherwise such overpayments will go to Aussie Rescue.
- This show will be held under the current rules and regulations of ASCA. A copy of the rulebook may be obtained from the ASCA web site at www.asca.org.
- No leads, collars, food, toys, etc. shall be permitted on the course at any time.
- All dogs must be on leash or securely crated when not competing in the ring.
- Safety shall always be the foremost consideration in actions by handlers at all times.
- The organizing committee may refuse any entry on the basis expressly provided through ASCA rules and regulations. Anyone not currently in good standing with ASCA will not be allowed entry into the trial.
- Participation is a privilege afforded by the Host club(s) and may be extended or withdrawn by the Host club's trial committee based on suitable cause only. Refusal of entries shall be reported to the ASCA office.
- Entries must be made on the enclosed entry forms. Copies may be made if entire form is copied. No other forms will be accepted. Entries must be signed to be valid.
- Make all checks and money orders payable to FAST (Fort Worth Agility Sports Team). 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 old are not permitted on the trial site.
- FAST, ASCOT, its board of directors, ASCA, management, and the property owner assume no responsibility for any loss, damage, or injury sustained by the exhibitors, handlers, or to any of their dogs, personal property, and/or children.

All breeds of dogs, including mixes, may compete and title in ASCA trials. Simply register your dog with ASCA using the Tracking Number Application form available at <http://www.asca.org/Portals/0/trackapp.pdf>.

Lodging & RV

Hotels and RV parks are all off of Interstate 35W or 20S. Please check with each hotel concerning their current pet policies. The number of hotels in the area that accept dogs is dropping dramatically. To help preserve the few that are left that allow pets, please CLEAN UP AFTER YOUR DOG, keep them crated while they're in the room, and do not leave them unattended if they will not remain quiet. Thank you!

I35W-Ex 26 Super 8 817/790-7378 (dogs in smoking rooms only)

La Quinta 817/783-8700

Americas Best Value Inn 817/783-2277

I35W-Ex 32 RV Ranch 817/426-5037 (also cabins @ \$10/day pet fee)

I35W-Ex 36 Comfort Suites 817/426-6666 or 800/228-5150 (pet fees)

Days Inn 817/447-1111 or 800/329-7466 (\$10/day pet fee)

Best Western 817-744-7747 (\$10/day pet fee)

I35W-Ex 38 La Quinta 817-447-2336

I35W-Ex 44 Motel 6 817/293-8595 or 800/466-8356 (not recommended)

I20-Ex440B La Quinta 817/293-5800

Show Site RV Parking is allowed at the site. NO hook-ups or showers.

Directions

From Interstate 35W, travel to exit #39, which is FM 1187/Rendon-Crowley road. Travel east approx. 3.5 miles to the light at Stephenson-Levy road. There will be an animal clinic and a Big Country Mart at the intersection. Turn right, south, on to Stephenson-Levy road. Travel approx. ¾ mile, and the arena will be on the west (right).

From Interstate 20, travel to exit 440B, which is Forest Hill Dr. Exit Forest Hill Dr and turn South. Travel approx. 5 miles, through the communities of Forest Hill and Everman. Continue on Forest Hill Dr and eventually it will turn into Rendon Road. Make a right turn on Stephenson-Levy and travel approx. 2 miles to the intersection of FM 1187. Cross over FM 1187 and travel approx. ¾ mile, and the arena will be on the west (right).

Food

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 on FM 1187 just east of the arena, and on Interstate 35W at exits #38 and 39.

Pizza Party Sunday Lunch

On Sunday we will be ordering Mr Jim's pizza for lunch for anyone interested. If you'd like to participate, please fill out the Pizza Party Order Form and include \$5 per person with your entries. You can also sign up at the show site to participate if you wish.

Tentative Running Order

Friday (Elite Only)

Elite Gamblers

Elite Regular

Elite Jumpers 1&2

Saturday

Gamblers 1 N/O/E

Novice Jumpers 1&2

Open Jumpers 1&2

Elite Jumpers 1&2

Novice Regular 1&2

Open Regular 1&2

Elite Regular 1&2

Gamblers 2 **Elite Only**

Sunday

Gamblers 1 E/O/N

Elite Jumpers 1&2

Open Jumpers 1&2

Novice Jumpers 1&2

Elite Regular 1&2

Open Regular 1&2

Novice Regular 1&2

Gamblers 2 **Elite Only**

Please note that we will be running alternating rings. We will run in one ring while the other ring is being built and opened for walk-through. There will be NO CONFLICTS.

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 that are competing in this trial

1-9 runs - \$14 per run

10-19 runs - \$12 per run

20+ runs - \$9 per run

Junior Handler (must enter JH classes only) ½ price off all pricing above.

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

Entry per dog per run \$18

Entries

Entries must be postmarked by February 9, 2015 to qualify for pre-entry pricing.

Make checks payable to **FAST** and mail to:

FAST – February

c/o Nikki Heep

PO Box 468

Crowley, TX 76036

If you need help completing your entry form, please ask your agility instructor for assistance or contact the trial secretary.

Check-In and Setup

	<u>Friday</u>	<u>Saturday</u>	<u>Sunday</u>
Setup begins at:	6 PM	8 AM	7 AM
Check-In:	6-6:30 PM	8-8:30 AM	7-7:30 AM
First dog on the line at:	7 PM	9 AM	8 AM

Friday Classes

All the classes offered on Friday are at the Elite level only. However, Novice/Open dogs are welcome to enter the Friday Elite classes as FEO. Or, you may enter your Novice/Open dog in Elite and any Qs earned will be applied to your lower-level titles. **HOWEVER, please be aware that once your dog Qs in Elite, he/she cannot go back to a lower competition level.** For more details, please refer to the ASCA Agility rulebook sections 3.1 and 3.2.4.

Other Important Info

Catalogs/Run Orders - No catalogs will be printed. Running orders will be posted at the gates. Handlers with multiple dogs will be separated as much as the class allows.

Move-Ups - All move-up requests must be received by the trial secretary by **February 16, 2015**. There will be **NO move-ups offered on the weekend of the trial**.

Cancellation of Entries - Cancellation of entries due to exhibitor request prior to the trial closing date will be subject to a processing fee of \$25 per entry/dog at the discretion of the club. Refund of any entry fees following cancellation requests made after trial closing will be at the discretion of the club.

Obstacle Specification – The obstacles that will be made available to the judge of the trial are: Dog Walk, A-Frame, Teeter, Closed Tunnel (safety tunnel-chute design), Open Tunnel, Tire Jump (displaceable), Weave Poles (24” spacing), Non-Winged Single Hurdles, Winged Single Hurdles, and Double Bar Hurdle. All contacts have rubber surfaces. Dog Walk and A-Frame will be slatted.

Prizes and Awards - FAST will award strip ribbons for 1st through 4th places and awards for each qualifying score in the Titling Classes. Additional awards may be offered at club’s discretion.

FEO (For Exhibition Only) – We will accept FEO entries. FEO entries may jump any jump height but will not be eligible for any prizes or awards. Minimum age permitted 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.

Arena Note – Please note that the Rendon Arena is a working rodeo and horse arena. Please expect smells, horses, and livestock associated with arenas. Any dog found harassing the livestock will be removed from the show site and no refunds will be made.

Parking – Please reserve the parking against the North side of the arena and under the overhang over the new arena for people who are crating out of their vehicles

New ACE Program

ASCA is offering a new ACE Agility Program. Some of the highlights of the rules for this new program are below. Please more details, please refer to section 4 of the most recent rulebook.

- All of the same classes (Regular, Jumpers, Gamblers) and levels (Novice, Open, Elite) as in the Championship program are also offered in ACE.
- The **Standard** Division is open to any dog aged 18 months or older. The Standard jump height for all dogs entered in the ACE program will be 4” lower than in the Championship program. Course times for dogs in the ACE program will be 10% greater than the Standard Division dogs in the Championship program.
- The **Senior Dog** Division is open to any dog age ten (10) or older. Dogs entered in the Senior Dog Division will jump 4” lower than their standard jump height the ACE program. Course times for dogs entered in the Senior Dog Division of the Regular Agility and Jumpers classes shall be 10% greater than the SCT for the Standard Division in the ACE program.
- Each dog and handler team can only enter either the Championship program or ACE program on any one day of a trial. 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.
- A handler may not enter a dog in more than one division of the same class round on any one day of a trial. If a dog is entered in the Standard Division of the first round of a Jumpers Class, then that dog could not also be entered in the Senior Dog Division of the same round of the Jumpers Class on the same day at the same show. However, if a dog is entered in the Senior Dog Division of the first round of a Jumpers Class, that dog could be entered in the Standard Division of the second round of a Jumpers Class. If a dog is entered in a specific Division for one class, it is not required that the dog be entered in the same Division for all other classes for that day. For example: A handler might enter a ten (10) year old dog in the Senior Dog Division of the Regular Agility Class, and the Standard Division of the Gamblers Class. If six classes are offered on one day (i.e. two regular, two gamblers, two jumpers), the dog may only be entered in each class once, regardless of the program or division entered.
- In ASCA sanctioned trials, qualifying rounds executed at a level higher than that needed for a lower level ASCA requirement shall be credited for points needed at the lower level title. Note: 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. However, once a dog earns a qualifying score at a higher level in the ACE program, it can no longer return to compete at a lower level within the ACE Program.



AUSTRALIAN SHEPHERD CLUB OF AMERICA® AGILITY ENTRY FORM

**February 20-22, 2015
FAST**

Use one entry form per dog. Print or type all the following information.

ASCA REG. NO: _____

BREED: _____ **SEX:** _____

REGISTERED NAME: _____

CALL NAME: _____ **BIRTH DATE:** _____

OWNER: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ **STATE:** _____ **ZIP+4:** _____

HOME PHONE: (____) _____ **WORK PHONE:** (____) _____

E-MAIL: _____

DOG'S HGT AT WITHERS: _____

Standard Jump Height: 8 12 16 20 20+ 24

Class Jump Height: 4 8 12 16 16+ 20 20+ 24

Program (Circle One): **Championship (CH)** **ACE**

Class Entered	Division					Level			Day Entered		
	Std.	Vet. (CH)	Jr. (CH)	Sr Dog (ACE)	FEO	Nov ¹	Open	Elite	Fri	Sat	Sun
Jumpers 1									Elite Only		
Jumpers 2									Elite Only		
Regular 1 ¹						A or B			Elite Only		
Regular 2 ¹						A or B					
Gamblers 1									Elite Only		
Gamblers 2										Elite Only	Elite Only

1. Circle A or B for Novice Regular classes.

NAME OF HANDLER: (Please Print) _____ **TOTAL ENTRY FEE: \$** _____

Make checks payable to: FAST

Mail to: FAST-February, c/o Nikki Heep, PO Box 468, Crowley, TX 76036

EXHIBITOR OR OWNER MUST READ AND SIGN THE FOLLOWING FORM. PARENT OR GUARDIAN OF JUNIOR HANDLERS MUST SIGN AS WELL

AGREEMENT

The person who signs this agreement represents that he/she is authorized to enter into this agreement on behalf of both exhibitor and the owner of entered dog. In consideration of acceptance of this entry:

1.1 As used here "ASCA®" means the Australian Shepherd Club of America®, its affiliate clubs and each of their members, officers, directors, employees, show chairs, show committees and agents. As used here "ASCOT" means Australian Shepherd Club of Texas, each of their members, officers, directors, employees, show chairs, show committees and agents. As used here "FAST" means Fort Worth Agility Sports team, each of their members, officers, directors, employees, show chairs, show committees and agents.

1.2 Exhibitor/owner, agree to abide by the rules and regulations of ASCA®, and any other rules and regulations appearing in the premium for this event.

1.3 Exhibitor/owner certify that the entered dog is not a hazard to persons, dogs, or property and that the entered dog's rabies vaccination is current in accordance with the requirement of the state in which the dog resides.

1.4 Exhibitor/owner acknowledge all hazards presented by the event and the event premises, including, but not limited to, the condition of the floors, stairways, halls, lighting, security measures or lack of, electrical appliances, fittings, show rings, parking areas and the presence of unfamiliar animals and people; exhibitor and owner assume the risk of any harm arising from these.

1.5 Exhibitor/owner release ASCA®, FAST, ASCOT, Rendon Indoor Arena (including its officers, agents, and employees) and will defend them and hold them harmless from all present and future loss, injury, damage, claims, demands and liabilities involving the entered dog, the event or event premises. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing hold harmless provisions, exhibitor /owner hereby specifically assume sole responsibility for and agree to indemnify and save aforementioned parties harmless from any and all loss and expenses (including legal fees) by reason of the liability imposed by law upon any of the aforementioned parties for damages because of bodily injuries, including death, at any time in consequence of my (our) participation in this event, howsoever such injury, or death may be caused, and whether or not the same may have been caused or may have been alleged to have been caused by negligence of the aforementioned parties or any of their employees or agents or any other persons.

I have read, understood, and acknowledged the above Agreement.

Signature of Owner/Exhibitor _____ **Date** _____

Signature of Parent of Legal Guardian of Minor _____ **Date** _____

Volunteers

Always needed, gladly accepted! If interested in volunteering, please fill out this form and include with your entries. Many thanks to all who volunteer!!!!

Name _____

Job willing to work, or want to learn (circle selections):

Timer _____ Scribe _____ Gate Steward _____ Leash Runner _____

Ring Crew _____ Chute Straightener _____

Please list any job you would prefer NOT to do: _____

Anything else you'd like us to know about your availability to volunteer? _____

Sunday Pizza Party Order Form

I would like to participate in the Pizza Party for Sunday Lunch. Below are the types of pizza I like. Please include payment of \$5 per person with your entries.

☐Pepperoni ☐Sausage ☐Cheese Only ☐Veggie
☐Hawaiian (Ham & Pineapple)