

Welcome to the Five Valley Kennel Club's August 2019 agility trials! You should have received a separate confirmation email detailing your dog's entry; contact me if you did not receive that email. This document is chock-full of information about the trial. Please read it carefully (and consider printing and bringing it with you). Let me know if you have any questions; you'll find my contact information below. **NOTE JUDGING START TIME on Friday: 10:30 AM.**

If you and your dog are close to achieving a **MACH** or **PACH** title, don't forget to let trial chair **BETT** (daythomp@msn.com) know so that the club is prepared to celebrate with you!

MOVE-UPS

Move-ups as a result of titles earned after entries close must be submitted in writing or email so that the Trial Secretary receives them by **6:00 PM MDT on Monday July 29**. Include dog's call name, registration number, owner's name, class you are moving from, and class you are moving to. Send to RedTileServices@gmail.com. No phone move ups accepted. Day-to-day move-ups will be accepted at the trial; see me within 30 minutes after the last class of the day concludes. For allowed changes from Novice A to Novice B, refer to Chapter 1, Section 21 of the Regulations for Agility Trials.

SET-UP INFORMATION

On **Thursday** the building will open for exhibitors starting at **4:00 PM**. The club will be setting up the rings prior to the building opening for exhibitors; if you arrive and are unsure if the arena is open to exhibitors, PLEASE ASK a club member. The building will open to exhibitors at **9:30 AM on Friday** and **7:30 AM on Saturday and Sunday**. The Trial Committee reserves the right to consolidate or move setups as necessary to ensure crating space is available and access to the rings is maintained.

ON SITE CAMPING

If you reserved camping, a parking map will be emailed to you a few days before the trial. Contact trial chair Bett (daythomp@msn.com) with questions. There is unlimited dry camping.

IMPORTANT: On Thursday, RVs may arrive between 4:00 and 6:00 PM. If you must arrive at a different time, please contact trial chair Bett to arrange arrival. On Friday and Saturday, RVs may arrive any time during trial hours.

JUDGING TIME and CLASS ORDER

	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Check In:	9:30 AM	8:00 AM	8:00 AM
Judging Starts:	10:30 AM	8:30 AM	8:30 AM
Height Order	Tall to Small	Small to Tall	Tall to Small
Class Order	Time to Beat	FAST all levels	Premier STD
=====	JWW Novice	JWW Novice	JWW Novice
	STD Exc/Mas	STD Exc/Mas	STD Exc/Mas
	JWW Open	JWW Open	JWW Open
	STD Open	STD Open	STD Open
	JWW Exc/Mas	JWW Exc/Mas	JWW Exc/Mas
	STD Novice	STD Novice	STD Novice
=====			Premier JWW
Fast Class Levels will be combined.			
Judge's briefing and course walk-through will take place prior to judging. Course maps will be posted, and exhibitor copies available first come, first served.			

VOLUNTEERS

The club will be using the “whiteboard method” for volunteers. Please sign up as soon as you arrive on site, for as many classes as possible. Generous volunteers create a great experience for all! Remember, all who work at least two “shifts” a day will receive lunch. If you would like to be preassigned to course build, scribe, time or gate steward, contact trial chair **Bett** (daythomp@msn.com).

SAFETY, BEHAVIOR and LIABILITY

All exhibitors should obtain a copy of the Regulations for Agility Trials by downloading them from the American Kennel Club website at <http://www.akc.org/rules/>.

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 obstacles safely.

It is expressly understood that exhibitors alone are responsible for the behavior of their dogs and/or children. Any exhibitor who themselves or 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 Five Valley Kennel Club, the Trial Secretary and Sapphire Events Center 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 Five Valley 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 Five Valley Kennel Club or any official thereof.

All dogs must be on leash at all times when on trial grounds except when in the designated warm-up area or competing on the course. The use of FLEXI-type leads is NOT permitted in the building.

FOOD AT THE TRIAL

While there will be no food vendor on site, we will be providing coffee, water, and lunch free to volunteer workers who work two or more classes per day. Exhibitors who do not volunteer to work and spectators may donate for beverages and lunch (\$5 donation is suggested). Think Green! Please bring a refillable water bottle, your favorite coffee cup and your special snacks to the trial.

Fast food and other restaurants are located in Corvallis, approximately 3 miles away, and in Hamilton, approximately 8 miles away.

DRIVING DIRECTIONS

Sapphire Events Center, 1750 Eastside Hwy, Corvallis, MT 59828.

PLEASE USE CAUTION when turning off the highway into the parking lot.

From Missoula:

- Travel on Highway 93 South for 29 miles (as measured from the intersection of Brooks and Reserve Streets).
- At Bell Crossing, turn LEFT. CONTINUE on Bell Crossing Rd. for 1.96 miles.
- Turn RIGHT onto Eastside Highway/State Highway 269. Continue for 6.15 miles. (You will see an arena on the left at approximately 4 miles; NOT our arena! Keep going.)
- Just after Corvallis Rural Fire Station, turn LEFT to enter the Sapphire Events Center.

From Hamilton:

- Travel on Highway 93 North for 3 miles.
- Turn RIGHT onto Woodside Cutoff Rd. CONTINUE for 2 miles.
- Turn LEFT onto Eastside Highway/State Highway 269. CONTINUE for 3.25 miles.
- Turn RIGHT to enter Sapphire Events Center.

TRIAL ENTRY STATISTICS and JUDGING SCHEDULE

"This is a preliminary judging schedule, subject to change with move ups, withdrawals, etc."

See above for CLASS and HEIGHT order; the table below is NOT the order the classes are run.

FRIDAY Total Runs: 163		
STANDARD		
	NOVICE	10
	OPEN	6
	EX/MAS	49
JWW		
	NOVICE	11
	OPEN	8
	EX/MAS	47
T2B		
	T2B	32

SATURDAY Total Runs: 184		
STANDARD		
	NOVICE	10
	OPEN	9
	EX/MAS	52
JWW		
	NOVICE	12
	OPEN	11
	EX/MAS	50
FAST		
	NOVICE	8
	OPEN	9
	EX/MAS	23

SUNDAY Total Runs: 209		
STANDARD		
	NOVICE	8
	OPEN	9
	EX/MAS	50
	PREMIER STANDARD	9
JWW		
	NOVICE	11
	OPEN	11
	EX/MAS	48
	PREMIER JWW	7

CONTACTS

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AKC Code of Sportsmanship

(Edited to be inclusive of our mixed-breed teams, welcomed in AKC events since April 1, 2010!)

PREFACE: The sport of competitive dog events dates prior to 1884, the year of AKC's birth. Shared values of those involved in the sport include principles of sportsmanship. They are practiced in all sectors of our sport: conformation, performance and companion. Many believe that these principles of sportsmanship are the prime reason why our sport has thrived for over one hundred years. With the belief that it is useful to periodically articulate the fundamentals of our sport, this code is presented.

- Sportsmen respect the history, traditions and integrity of the sport.
- Sportsmen commit themselves to values of fair play, honesty, courtesy, and vigorous competition, as well as winning and losing with grace.
- Sportsmen refuse to compromise their commitment and obligation to the sport by injecting personal advantage or consideration into their decisions or behavior.
- The sportsman judge judges only on the merits of the dogs and considers no other factors.
- The sportsman judge or exhibitor accepts constructive criticism.
- The sportsman exhibitor declines to enter or exhibit under a judge where it might reasonably appear that the judge's placements could be based on something other than the merits of the dogs.
- The sportsman exhibitor refuses to compromise the impartiality of a judge.
- The sportsman respects the AKC bylaws, rules, regulations and policies governing the sport.
- Sportsmen find that vigorous competition and civility are not inconsistent and are able to appreciate the merit of their competition and the effort of competitors.
- Sportsmen welcome, encourage, and support newcomers to the sport.
- Sportsmen will deal fairly with all those who trade with them.
- Sportsmen are willing to share honest and open appraisals of both the strengths and weaknesses of their breeding stock.
- Sportsmen spurn any opportunity to take personal advantage of positions offered or bestowed upon them.
- Sportsmen always consider as paramount the welfare of their dog.
- Sportsmen refuse to embarrass the sport, the American Kennel Club, or themselves while taking part in the sport.