## Welcome to the 21st Annual November Cluster 2018 AKC All Breed Agility Trial!

We are again very excited to be a part of this wonderful dog show weekend with 3 buildings hosting 3 different venues of dog sports. Please make note of the information below and contact me if you have any questions. Please send an email to Noreen@pawprinttrials.com so I may have a printed copy of your question. If you don't have email, please leave a clear, detailed phone message at (413) 283-4490. Best of luck for a clean run!

NOTE: Please download the complete confirmation letter from my website. Click on the date of the trial and you'll see the confirmation letter with the full running order.
*** The running order for Friday and Sunday will be reversed within each jump height. This will allow for ample walk thru time for all exhibitors throughout the weekend. Preferred dogs will run first for days running 4-24C. They will run at the end on days running 24C-4.

In order to allow the scorekeeping to run as efficiently as possible, there will be LEAP/TMAC members available for questions at the VOLUNTEER booth. The scorekeepers can assist you if your class information is incorrect. All other questions should be directed to the VOLUNTEER booth.

* Confirmation Information Please verify all information printed above. If there are any discrepancies, please contact me as soon as possible so I can correct the situation.
* Jump Height Cards We will have official measuring for our trial. If your confirmation information states "Needs to be Measured," your dog must be measured by a VMO before he/she can run. One measurement is needed for all dogs competing between the ages of 15 months to 2 years. The yellow copy of the form will be your only proof of measurement. At 2 years old, dogs will need to be measured twice by VMO's or AKC representatives. The AKC will send out a permanent height card after they have received both measurements. You will be given a temporary height card which you can use until the AKC sends you a permanent card. Measuring will be done all day. There will be no measuring on Wednesday or Thursday.
*Set-Up The grounds will be available for set up on Wednesday and Thursday from 3:30 p.m. to 6 p.m. PLEASE DO NOT ARRIVE early. no exhibitors will be allowed to enter the mallary arena before 3:30 p.m. on wednesday to SET UP. There is no parking fee on Wednesday or Thursday. Gate 9 will not be open during setup. Enter through Gate 2. From the highways, Gate 2 is on the left at Storrowton Tavern. From Agawam, Gate 2 is on the right after the bridge. Gate 2 is open 24 hrs. GATE 9 will be open during show hours. ©)
* Volunteers Thank you so much for supporting the sport. We all thank you! If you have not yet volunteered, and are able to work the day of the show, please sign up at the volunteer table. You may also sign up on-line, pick the time and class you'd like to work! It's EASY to sign up on line!! Go to Thanksgiving Cluster on my website www.pawprintrials and click on the worker link. Online sign up ends NOV 19th. Volunteers will receive tickets for each class worked. Tickets can be used at the food booth in the agility area, for purchases from any vendor in the Mallary Building including PawPrint Trials, or donated to the Make a Difference Match. The worker schedule is subject to change so if you have already signed up, please verify your class.
* Crating Space We are generally tight for crating space. Per the premium, X-pens will be limited to 8 panels, for 3 or more dogs. No multiple X-pen setups. Puppy Play Pens may be limited to 2 or more dogs. LOUNGE CHAIRS and TABLES will not be allowed, and we ask that you stack crates whenever possible. There will be no 'preferred' crating. Please be respectful of the trial committee if you are asked to move your setup to make room for others. Crate aggressive dogs must be covered and may not be positioned on the corners of aisle ways or other heavy traffic areas. This will be enforced and if complaints are received, dogs will be moved. If you crate on the Ring 1 side and are staying for Monday, you will need to relocate to the Ring 3 side on Sunday night.
* Conflicts If you have a conflict with another entry in Breed or Obedience, you must inform the gate steward of the conflict. If the gate sheet is not marked with a conflict, you cannot run. Please try to run PRIOR to your actual jump height so awards will not be delayed.
* Food The Mallary building will be providing delicious food.
* First Trial If this is your first trial, please email Steve Basson bogeybassn@cox.net.
* Trick Test Once again we will have Trick Testing available all day Saturday and Sunday. Booth will be set up near the vendors.
* Novice \& Open exhibitors only If you earn a perfect score in Novice or Open, be sure to take a PERFECT SCORE ribbon!
* Fees for Parking Please be aware of the following charges: Parking fees are $\$ 5$ per day per car, $\$ 30$ per day per trailer/RV.

QUESTIONS ??? Email me at noreen@ pawprinttrials.com.

## Too busy to volunteer? Someone else can do it?

We need almost 1,800 volunteers in the ring to make our cluster efficient.
ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED VOLUNTEERS!!
That is in addition to all the wonderful club volunteers that make this trial happen.
PLEASE volunteer and check back throughout the day. Due to conflicts, the list of volunteers is always changing. Thank you to each and every person that takes the time to Support the Sport!

# Thanksgiving isn't Thanksgiving without all the fixin's!! 

## TEAM Competition! Saturday only. Standard and JWW scores. 4 people to a team. All forms must be turned in before your first run. The team form is posted on my site so you can fill it in before the trial.

Turkey Trifecta!!! Everyone is automatically entered!!<br>Scores from any qualifying run from Fri/Sat/Sun will be added together and the dog with the highest total will win the Turkey Trifecta!!<br>Friday \& Saturday -ALL classes will count. Sunday -FAST, Standard, Premier Std only will count Additional info is on my site!

## Supporting Our Juniors

The AKC has so many wonderful programs for all Juniors. The EOJ is a wonderful way for our agility juniors to travel the world representing this sport we love while representing our United States of America. So, this year if you Q (or NQ) Give a Dollar or two to the Juniors - the future of this sport we love! A Junior Table will be located near the ribbon table.

## Hemopet Blood Transfusions

Animals, like people, occasionally need blood transfusions to save their lives. To address this, Hemopet takes in and houses 200 retired racing greyhounds where they donate a pediatric unit of blood. Hemopet then gets them ready for adoption as a loving family companion. Hemopet provides $40 \%$ of the nation's lifesaving canine blood. Each year, about 7,000 dogs are treated. Canine blood is donated by Hemopet for police, military and security dogs across the nation when they are injured or shot in the line of duty. Hemopet blood is also donated when search and rescue dogs are injured trying to save lives. Unfortunately, PETA has made false allegations which is threatening the support of Hemopet. We will have a donation box for anyone interested in supporting this worthwhile cause. For more information, click on http://www.hemopet.org/ or https://drjeandoddspethealthresource.tumblr.com/

## Celebrate our Versatile Dogs!!

Each day we will recognize a different group of sports. If your dog has a title in that sport, you will sign up at the Trophy Table, once you have qualified. Only Standard scores will count. It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to sign up for their sport. The Highest Scoring Dog with receive a Versatile Dog rosette.

FRIDAY sign up if you have a Breed Champion.
SATURDAY sign up if you have a dog with an Obedience title or a Rally Title or a Tracking Title.
SUNDAY we will honor dogs with the following AKC titles:
Barn Hunt
Dock Diving
Field Trial
Lure Coursing
Sled Dog

Canine Good
Earth Dog
Flyball
Road Work
Therapy Dog
Working Dog (FH, IPO, SCH, WD)

Coursing Ability
Fast CAT
Hunt Test
Search and Rescue
Working Cert (NSDTR)

## DIRECTIONS TO THE TRIAL:

Mallary Arena, Eastern States Exposition Grounds,
1305 Memorial Avenue, West Springfield, MA 01089
Gate 9 will be open during show hours. Please use Gate 2 (open 24 hrs.) if Gate 9 is closed.
From the North via Interstate 91: Take I-91 South to Exit 13B, to Rte. 5 South, to Rte. 147 West. Follow Rt. 147 West for approximately $3 / 4$ mile to The Big E Gate 9 entrance on the left.
From the South via Interstate 91: Take Exit 3 South marked "Route 5, Columbus Ave., Agawam, West Springfield". Follow Route 5 North to Route 147 West for approximately $3 / 4$ mile to The Big E Gate 9 entrance on the left.

From Mass Pike I-90: Take Exit 4. Follow signs marked "Route 5, Riverdale St., West Springfield". Take Route 5 South to Route 147 West for approximately $3 / 4$ mile to The Big E Gate 9 entrance on the left.

WE WILL AGAIN OFFER MICROCHIP AND SNAP4DX CLINICS ON FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 23rd PLUS Taurine Testing. Info is on my site.
The pre-registration for the clinic has ended. If you signed up in advance, you can confirm your status at http://tinyurl.com/od3b55b. If space is available on the day of the clinic, Microchip and SNAP4DX will be $\$ 45$ each. For questions, email Pam O'Day at intrepid055@gmail.com.

## Zero Tolerance

In the past, the Eastern States Exposition (ESE) has had several problems with dog-related events. As a result, the November Agility Cluster has adopted a ZERO TOLERANCE POLICY regarding the show grounds and hotels. Show grounds are difficult to come by. It is your responsibility to treat the grounds with respect. It is also everyone's responsibility to report anyone not adhering to these guidelines.
Grounds for excusal for the remainder of the weekend:

- Any exhibitor who does not pick up after their dog
- Any exhibitor who tampers with ESE property. This includes building doors, electrical plugs, bathing of dogs, etc.
- Any exhibitor who leaves a barking dog in a hotel room
- Any exhibitor who leaves the conditions of the hotel room unacceptable
- Refusal to abide by any request from the show committee or staff of the ESE
- Refusal to abide by any posted signs
- Any exhibitor who allows their dog off leash except while in the ring or in the training area

Please refer to the AKC Code of Sportsmanship link on the front page of my website. The Thanksgiving Cluster will be adhering to this code.

## RUNNING ORDER INFORMATION

When the running order is little to big (4-24C"), preferred dogs will run first.
When the running order is big to little ( $24 \mathrm{C}-4$ "), preferred dogs will run after regular heights. This does not apply to the FAST class.

Please note, due to possible changes, this confirmation does not necessarily reflect the order that classes will be run.
Max 200 Performance Dog Equipment The equipment for the Cluster is being provided by MAX 200 Dog Obedience Equipment, Inc. and will be available for sale at the end of the event. If you are interested in a specific item, it is requested that you reserve it ahead of time. For more information, you may call MAX 200 at 800-446-2920 or email sales @ max200.com or visit their website www.max200.com.

## PICTURE PERFECT!!!

We will have an area decorated specifically for exhibitors to take pictures with their dogs and ribbons!
There is no official photographer so grab your smart phone, take some pics and start posting on social media!!

# AKC SANCTIONED AGILITY "B" MATCH FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 23rd Entry form is on my site. 

## THIS YEAR OUR MAKE A DIFFERENCE MATCH WILL BE DONATING PROCEEDS TO HEMANGIOSARCOMA.

For 2018 , AKC matched any donation (up to $\$ 250,000$ ) to AKC Canine Health Foundation for research of Hemangiosarcoma. They reached their goal, which resulted in $\$ 500,000$ towards research. Then the Golden Retriever Foundation said they'd match up to $\$ 50,000$ and the Flat Coat Retriever Foundation matched another $\$ 25,000$. What is hemangiosarcoma? It is an aggressive and common cancer in dogs. The cause of the disease is unknown.

Hemangiosarcoma can develop in any tissue or organ, but the most common primary sites for these tumors include spleen, right atrium of the heart and the skin.

While tumors affecting the skin are often treatable, tumors affecting internal organs have a poorer prognosis and are almost always incurable. Hemangiosarcoma is often called the "silent killer" because the tumors are often not detected until the later stages of the disease. Even dogs harboring large tumors may show no clinical signs or evidence that they have a lifethreatening disease.

Current treatments have not improved the overall survival times for dogs with this disease. As a result, tremendous efforts are being made through research funded by the Canine Health Foundation and its donors to gain a better understanding of the biology and progression of this disease with the goal to design new and effective approaches to treatment.
There are 4 studies currently involving hemangiosarcoma.

1) A Novel Mechanism to Regulate the Growth of Canine Hemangiosarcoma. Erin Dickerson PhD/University of Minnesota
2) A Novel approach for Prevention of Canine Hemangiosarcoma. Jaime Modiano VMD PhD/University of Minnesota
3) Prevalence of Bartonella Infection in dogs with Cardiac and Splenic Hemangiosarcoma within and between Geographic Locations. Edward Breitschwerdt DVM, Matthew Breen PhD/North Carolina State University
4) Identification of Novel Synthetic Lethal Partners to Optimize P13K Targeted Therapies in Canine Hemangiosarcoma Cheryl London DVM PhD/Tufts Medical Center

Thank you to the following foundations for donating $\$ 50,000+$ each to this initiative. American Boxer Charitable Foundation, Collie Health Foundation, Golden Retriever Foundation, Portuguese Water Dog Foundation. There are an additional 30 breed foundations that have each donated \$2,500+.

The information above is from the AKC Canine Health Foundation website. More information is available
http://www.akcchf.org/canine-health/top-health-concerns/canine-cancer/hemangiosarcoma/hemangiosarcoma-initiative.html\#HSAWebinars


## How may you contribute?

- There will be a donation box at each ring if you would like to make a donation. If you prefer to make a donation directly to the cause, you may make a check payable to AKC CHF Hemangio Initiative and drop it in the donation box. Some companies match employee donations.
- Worker tickets may be deposited in Make a Difference boxes as a contribution.
- PawPrint Trials, Max 200 and clubs that sponsor agility trials have donated to Make a Difference T-shirts. T-shirts purchased at the show will be $\$ 10$ and all of the proceeds will go to our cause.
- Proceeds from the Make a Difference Match on Friday pm will be donated to our cause. Match flyer is on my website. There will be 4 rings with Novice, Open, Excellent/Master. If you can help, we appreciate it. Please sign up at the show.

Friday Ring 1
24C/24" \& 16"

Time2Beat Michele Fletcher 61 runs 24C/24"/16" will walk/run
Premier JWW Keith Van Housen 41 runs 24C/24"/16" will walk/run - 10 minute walk X/M JWW Keith Van Housen 178 runs 24C/24" will walk/run 16 " will walk/walk/run Premier Standard Michele Fletcher 48 runs $24 C / 24 " / 16$ " will walk/run - 10 minute walk X/M Standard Michele Fletcher 129 runs 24C/24" will walk/run 16 " will walk/walk/run

## Ring 20" Walk thrus 7:15 am Judging: 7:30 am

Time2Beat Jill Roberts 72 runs 20" will walk/walk/run
Premier JWW Ronda Bermke 54 runs 20" will walk/walk/run - 10 minute walk
X/M JWW Ronda Bermke 137 runs 20" will walk/walk/walk/run
Premier Standard Jill Roberts 58 runs 20" will walk/walk/run - 10 minute walk X/M Standard Jill Roberts 141 runs 20" will walk/walk/walk/run

## Ring 3 12"-4" Walk thrus 7:30 am Judging:7:45 am

Time2Beat Keith Van Housen 30 runs 12 "-4" will walk/run Premier JWW Diane Fyfe 31 runs 12"-4" will walk/run - 10 minute walk X/M JWW Diane Fyfe 107 runs 12 " will walk/run 8 "-4" will walk/walk/run Premier Standard Cheri Tyre-Roberts $\mathbf{3 5}$ runs $12^{\prime \prime}-4$ " will walk/run - 10 minute walk X/M Standard Cheri Tyre-Roberts 38 runs 12 " will walk/run
X/M Standard Diane Fyfe 68runs 8"-4" will walk/walk/run

## Ring 4 24C"-4" Walk thrus 9:00 am Judging: 9:15 am

Open Jumpers Cheri Tyre-Roberts 53 runs $24 C^{\prime \prime}-4$ " will walkrun
Novice Jumpers Cheri Tyre-Roberts 55 runs 24C"-4" will walk/walk/run Split to be determined at gate
****May be a delay for Judge to complete another class.
Open Standard Ronda Bermke 57 runs 24C"-4" will walk/walk/run
Novice Standard Ronda Bermke 47 runs 24C"-4" will walk/run

## Sunday Ring 1 <br> 24C/24" \& 16" Walk thrus 7:15 am Judging:7:30 am

X/M FAST Cheri Tyre-Roberts 53 runs 24C/24"/16" will walkrun
X/M Standard Keith Van Housen $\mathbf{1 5 1}$ runs $24 C / 24$ " will walk $/$ run 16 " will walk/walk/run Premier Standard Jill Roberts 51 runs $24 C / 24^{\prime \prime} / 16^{\prime \prime}$ will walkrun - 10 minute walk X/M Jumpers Jill Roberts $\mathbf{1 4 2}$ runs $24 \mathrm{C} / 24$ " will walkrun 16 " will walk/walkrun Premier JWW Jill Roberts 45 runs 24C/24"/16" will walkrun - 10 minute walk

## Ring 20" Walk thrus 7:15 am Judging: 7:30 am

X/M FAST Diane Fyfe 58 runs 20 " will walk/walk/run
X/M Standard Diane Fyfe $\mathbf{1 5 0}$ runs 20 " will walk/walk/walk/run
Premier Standard Diane Fyfe 57 runs 20 " will walk/walkrun - 10 minute walk X/M Jumpers Cheri Tyre-Roberts $\mathbf{1 4 7}$ runs 20 " will walk/walk/walk/run
Premier JWW Cheri Tyre-Roberts 52 runs 20 " will walk/walkrun - 10 minute walk

## Ring 3 12-4" Walk thrus 7:45 am Judging:8:00 am

X/M FAST Keith Van Housen 33 runs $12^{\prime \prime}-4^{\prime \prime}$ will walkrun
X/M Standard Ronda Bermke 124 runs $12^{\prime \prime}$ will walk run $8^{8 "-4 " ~ w i l l ~ w a l k / w a l k r u n ~}$ Premier Standard Ronda Bermke 37 runs $12^{\prime \prime}-4$ " will walkrun - 10 minute walk X/M Jumpers Ronda Bermke 126 runs 12 " will walkrun $8^{\prime \prime}-4$ " will walk/walk/run Premier JWW Ronda Bermke 28 runs $12^{\prime \prime}-4$ " will walkrun - 10 minute walk

## Ring 4 24C"-4" Walk thrus 7:45 am Judging: 8:00 am

## Saturday Ring 1

16" \& 24/24C" Walk thrus 7:15 am Judging: 7:30 am

Premier Standard Diane Fyfe 52 runs $16^{\prime \prime} / 24 / 24 C^{\prime \prime}$ will walkwalk/run 10 minute walk X/M Standard Diane Fyfe 160 runs 16 " will walk/walkrun 24/24C" will walk/walk run
Premier JWW Diane Fyfe 58 runs 16 " $/ 24 / 24 C^{\prime \prime}$ will walk/walkrun 10 minute walk X/M Jumpers Keith Van Housen 158 runs 16 " will walk/kalk/run 24/24C" will walk/walkrun
Time2Beat Keith Van Housen 58 runs $16 " / 24 / 24 C^{\prime \prime}$ will walk/walkrun
*******Time2Beat may be built in the first available ring
Ring 20" Walk thrus 7:15am Judging: 7:30 am
Premier Standard Cheri Tyre-Roberts $\mathbf{6 5}$ runs 20 " will walk/walk/ run 10 minute walk X/M Standard Cheri Tyre-Roberts 168 runs 20 " will walkwalkwalkrun Premier Jumpers Ronda Bermke $\mathbf{6 5}$ runs 20 " will walk/walk run 10 minute walk X/M Jumpers Ronda Bermke 168 runs $20^{\prime \prime}$ will walk/walk/walkrun
Time2Beat Cheri Tyre-Roberts $\mathbf{5 9}$ runs 20 " will walk/walk/run
**** Time2Beat may be built in the first available ring
Ring 3 4"-12" Walk thrus 7:45 am Judging: 8:00 am
Premier Standard Ronda Bermke 25 runs 4"-12" will walk/run 10 minute walk
X/M Standard Michele Fletcher $\mathbf{1 2 6}$ runs $4-8$ " will walk/walk/run 12 " will walk/run
Premier JWW Michele Fletcher 42 runs 4"-12" will walk/run 10 minute walk
X/M JWW Michele Fletcher 133 runs 4-8" will walk/walk/run 12" will walk/run
Time2Beat Jill Roberts 33 runs 4"-12" will walk/run

## Ring 4 4"-24C" Walk thrus 8:15 am Judging: 8:30 am

Open Standard Jill Roberts 56 runs 4"-24C" will walk/walk/run
Novice Standard Jill Roberts 61 runs 4"-24C will walk/walk/run
Open Jumpers Jill Roberts 56 runs $4^{\prime \prime}-24 C$ " will walk/walk/run
Novice Jumpers Jill Roberts 66 runs 4"-24C" will walk/walk/run

## Monday Ring 3

4"-16" Walk thrus 7:15 am Judging: 7:30 am

Time2Beat Cheri Tyre-Roberts 38 runs 4"-16" will walk/run
X/M Standard Keith Van Housen 108 runs 4 "-12" will walk/walk/run 16 will walk/run Premier Standard Keith Van Housen 37 runs 4"-16" will walk/run 10 minute walk X/M Jumpers Keith Van Housen 108 runs 4"-12" will walk/walk/run 16 will walk/run Premier Jumpers Cheri Tyre-Roberts $\mathbf{3 2}$ runs 4"-16" will walk/run 10 minute walk

## Ring 4 20"-24C" Walk thrus 7:30 am Judging: 7:45 am

Time2Beat Ronda Bermke 47 runs 20"-24C"will walk/run
X/M Standard Cheri Tyre-Roberts 103 runs 20 " will walk/walk/run $24 " / 24 C$ " will walk/run
Premier Standard Cheri Tyre-Roberts 41runs 20"-24C" will walk/run 10 minute walk X/M Jumpers Ronda Bermke 104 runs 20" will walk/walk/run 24 "/24C" will walk-run Premier Jumpers Ronda Bermke 32 runs 20"-24C" will walk/run 10 minute walk
NO RING 1 on MONDAY

Open FAST Michele Fletcher 39 runs 24C"-4" will walk/run
Novice FAST Michele Fletcher 52 runs 24C"-4" will walk/walk/run
Open Standard Michele Fletcher 52 runs 24C"-4" will walk/walk/run
Novice Standard Michele Fletcher 45 runs $24 C^{\prime \prime}-4$ " will walk/run
Open Jumpers Keith Van Housen 49 runs 24C"-4" will walk/run
Novice JWW Keith Van Housen 52 runs 24C"-4" will walk/walk/run





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