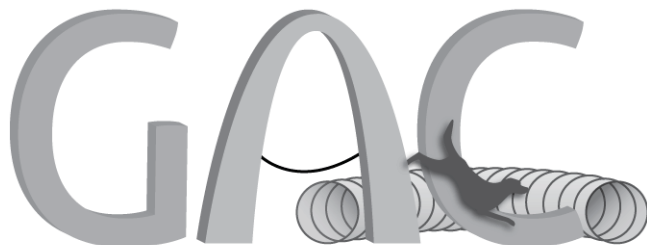


## TRIAL INFORMATION

Three AKC Licensed Agility Trials



## Gateway Agility Club

Gateway Agility Club of Suburban St Louis

Friday, November 20, 2020

Saturday, November 21, 2020

Sunday, November 22, 2020

### Purina Farms Event Center

300 Checkerboard Loop  
Gray Summit, MO 63039

**Trials will be held indoors on soccer turf**

Two 90' x 105' rings

### Trial Secretary

Carolyn Johnson  
Lab Tested Secretary Services  
AKC Annually Licensed Agility Trial Secretary

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Webster Groves, MO 63119  
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314-395-9950 (Tel)  
314-222-9212 (FAX)  
[carolyn.johnson@labtestedsecretary.com](mailto:carolyn.johnson@labtestedsecretary.com)



### Judge & Assignment

Lisa Potts  
1709 S Whittier Ave, Springfield, IL  
All classes

### Veterinarian On Call

Animal Emergency Clinic  
9937 Big Bend Blvd, Kirkwood, MO 63122  
314-822-7600

Directions from trial site: Turn right on MM. Turn right on Hwy 100. Take I-44 east toward St Louis. Take Exit #278 and turn right on Big Bend. Clinic is on left past stoplight

### Trial Chair

Jane Rich  
8906 Pine Ave, Brentwood, MO 63144  
314-961-6306  
[janem507@aol.com](mailto:janem507@aol.com)

### Event Committee

Jane Rich	Trial Chair
Deb Spaul	Hospitality/RV
Amy Wintz	Worker Chair
Joan Braun	Awards Chair

and all Officers present at the trial

### Ring Crew Team

Vicki Cinotto	Chief Course Builder
Marcy Jacobs	Ring Captain

### Running Order/Start Times

Two rings, run sequentially.

**Class Order** - Regular and Preferred will be run together at each height.

**NOTE:** In order to comply with the limit of 50 people in the Event Center at a time, the small M/X dog group has been split into 2 groups - 4"/8"/12" and 16" - which will walk/run separately all 3 days. The big M/X dog group on Sunday only will be split into 2 groups - Master Regular 20" in the first group and the remainder of 20" and 24" in the second group - each of which will walk/run separately on that day only.

Friday	1 Nov STD / Nov JWW / Open STD / Open JWW
	2 4/8/12 M/X STD / 4/8/12 M/X JWW
	3 16 M/X STD / 16 M/X JWW
	4 Premier STD (all)
	5 20/24 M/X JWW / 20/24 M/X STD
Saturday	1 Nov JWW / Nov STD / Open JWW / Open STD
	2 24/20 M/X JWW / 24/20 M/X STD
	3 Premier JWW (all)
	4 16 M/X STD / 16 M/X JWW
	5 12/8/4 M/X STD / 12/8/4 M/X JWW
Sunday	1 Nov STD / Nov JWW / Open STD / Open JWW
	2 4/8/12 M/X STD / 4/8/12 M/X JWW
	3 16 M/X STD / 16 M/X JWW
	4 20 Master Regular STD / 20 Master Regular JWW
	5 20 MP/ER/EP / 24 M/X STD / 20 MP/ER/EP / 24 M/X JWW

### Jump Order

Friday	Small to tall
Saturday	Tall to small
Sunday	Small to tall

### Start Times

	Walkthrough/judge's briefing	Judging starts
All days	7:30 am	8:00 am

Approximate group start times are posted at <http://www.labtestedsecretary.com>

### Move-ups

**For the Friday trial: MOVE-UPS close at 6:00 pm CST, Monday, Nov 16.** Move-ups may be sent by regular mail or email to the Trial Secretary. If an email address is provided with your entry, an email confirmation of the move-up will be sent.

**For the Saturday and Sunday trials: MOVE-UPS close 30 minutes after the end of the trial on Friday and Saturday respectively and must be submitted at the trial.**

**Mailed/mailed moveups close at 6:00 pm CST, Monday, Nov 16.**

### “After Closing” Waiting List

There is an after-closing waiting list for each trial. The waiting list will be active until its deadline — Monday, Nov 16, 6:00 pm CST. Any runs that are entered in these trials at closing and pulled before the waiting list deadline will be replaced, if possible, by runs in order on the waiting list, and the exhibitor will be reimbursed in full. **If a run is pulled but cannot be replaced, the exhibitor will not receive a refund and the dog will be considered absent for the run.** Entry fees for runs on the waiting list that do not get into the trial by the waiting list closing date will be refunded in full.

### AKC Height Cards

There will be a VMO at these trials. If your dog does not have an AKC Height Card, he will need to be measured by either the VMO.

### Text Notifications

You can sign up to receive text notifications about the progress of the trial through the Remind App: <https://www.remind.com/join/gacno>

### Crate Space Signup

All crating will be pre-assigned. The link for crate space signup will be sent in the next week. There will be a mix of 6'x6' and 6'x9' spaces available in the the Great Hall (agility room) and the Gateway Hall (grooming room). Exhibitors with multiple dogs should pick one of the larger spaces to allow room for all their dogs.

Please choose a space based on your run group so that no exhibitors in the same group are crated next to each other. Crate assignments may be changed if necessary to maintain social distancing.

Crate setup time on Thursday will require sign up as well.

### Trial Information

Set-up time on Thursday will be from 3:00 pm to 6:00 pm. **YOU MUST SIGN UP FOR A SETUP TIME.** Signup will be at the same link as the crate space signup.

Trial hours are 7:00 am to 30 minutes after the completion of judging.

Ring size: 90' x 105' each (2 rings).

Electronic timing will be used at these trials.

The building is climate-controlled. There is plenty of close parking and crate space. Please bring a chair and crates and water for your dogs.

**NO SMOKING or VAPING** is allowed in the building.

Dogs may not be left in the building overnight.

The Cafe will be open for limited operation with electronic payment. You may bring your own food and drink to the event. You must eat outside - no food may be eaten in the building.

The spectators are permitted in the building.

### Coronavirus Information and Guidelines

With the changing guidelines that are being required due to the Coronavirus, we are continually revising our plans for everyone's safety. Remember, despite all the plans we put in place, you still need to be aware of the basics: **WASH YOUR HANDS AND WASH THEM OFTEN, MAINTAIN SOCIAL DISTANCING (AT LEAST 6 FEET), AND WEAR YOUR MASK AT ALL TIMES WHILE IN THE BUILDING, INCLUDING WHILE RUNNING YOUR DOG. YOU MUST LEAVE THE BUILDING TO EAT.**

There will be marked entrances and exits for the Event Center. All exhibitors will have to their temperature checked and receive a wrist band for the day. Purina staff will track the number of people in the building at all times. Please note: Only herding exhibitors will be allowed at the herding field.

The Event Center is limited to 50 people at any one time, including exhibitors, workers, the judge and the Purina staff.

#### **Exhibitors will be allowed in the building as follows:**

-- **Novice and Open** handlers will be allowed in the building as one group.

-- **4"/8"/12" M/X STD and JWW** handlers.

-- **16" M/X STD and JWW** handlers (split as its own group).

-- **Premier** handlers.

-- **Large dog M/X STD and JWW** handlers on Friday and Saturday. On Sunday, the 20" MASTER REGULAR STD and JWW handlers will be their own group. The 20" Regular Excellent and all 20" Preferred handlers will be grouped with the 24" dogs and walk/run after the 20" Master Regular dogs.

**At the end of each group, when all handlers in that group have left the building, there will be a break for the Purina staff to clean the common areas of the building. The next group will not be allowed to enter the building until the end of the cleaning break.**

Crating will be preassigned. A crating signup link will be sent to exhibitors to allow them to choose their crating spaces from the arrangement approved by Purina. Exhibitors' set up on Thursday will be divided into time slots. Sign up will be with the crate space signup.

Masks (which you must provide) will be required while in the building at all time, including while running your dog. You may not eat in the building.

There will be 6' distancing gates around timer/scribe/gate workers.

We will be using the the double fence (chute) for entry and exit from the ring. There will be no swing gate. The leash runner will have a grabber to move the leash; the grabber will be cleaned between workers. You may choose to wear your leash or put it in your pocket instead of leaving it for the leash runner. The jump bars will be disinfected during worker changes.

No printed course copies will be distributed. We will have a few posted around the building so that you can take a picture of them. The trial secretary will also post them at [http:// www.labtestedsecretary.com](http://www.labtestedsecretary.com) the night before each trial and notify everyone by email. She will also post the running order, judge's briefing, trial chair's briefing and results. There will be no group judge's briefing, except for the Novice classes to answer any of their questions. The judge will be available during the trial to answer any questions.

No MACH/PACH parties may be held at this trial.

Our awards chairperson will prepare ribbons after the completion of the class. **NO SELF SERVE** will be allowed for a ribbon. If it is possible that you may get your MACH or PACH during this trial, please email Joan Braun at [jbrown4@aol.com](mailto:jbrown4@aol.com).

Bathrooms, door handles and other common areas will be cleaned throughout the day and between groups. Hand sanitizer will be provided by the club and be in stations around the building. **BUT REMEMBER, WASH YOUR HANDS AND MAINTAIN SOCIAL DISTANCING.**

**People who are not feeling well and contact trial secretary at least 30 minutes before the start of the trial will be given the same refund as an injured/sick dog. No doctor's note is required. We will automatically cancel the following days runs also. You will receive that same refund for each of the remaining days to get over being sick. PLEASE, STAY HOME AND KEEP EVERYONE SAFE.**

## Notice to Exhibitors

The safety of the dogs is our primary concern. By entering these trials, 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.

Entry fees will not be refunded in the event that a dog is absent, disqualified, excused, or barred from competition by action of the Event Committee.

Gateway Agility Club of Suburban St Louis may cancel this event in extreme weather conditions.

Entry fees will not be refunded if the trials cannot be opened or completed by reason of riots, civil disturbance, fire, an act of God, public emergency, an act of a public enemy, or any other cause beyond the control of the organizing committee.

Since bitches in season are not allowed to compete in AKC Agility Trials, the club will refund all but \$5.00 of the entry fee per day for bitches unable to compete for that reason. The Trial Secretary must receive written notification of such a claim for refund by letter hand-delivered, emailed, or postmarked before the trial commences.

The club will refund all but \$10.00 of the entry fee per day for injured dogs or handlers. Written request for a refund must be made to the Trial Secretary prior to the start of the first trial day and a veterinarian's or doctor's letter must be provided within one week of the trial.

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 unnecessary disturbances or repeatedly engage in unsafe or disruptive behavior may, at the discretion of the Event Committee, be asked to leave the trial site. In such case, no refund of any fees paid will be made.

All dogs must be on leash or crated at all times except when in the ring or when in the designated agility warm-up area.

Exhibitors are responsible for being at the ring gate when it is their turn to run. The judge need not wait for any dog holding up a class. Gateway Agility Club of Suburban St Louis has no obligation or responsibility for providing service through a public address system or steward for the purpose of calling or locating dogs that are not brought to the ring when required.

Owners are responsible for errors in making out entry forms, whoever may have made such errors. No entry will be refunded in the event of such errors or cancellation of entries after the published closing date. Errors in entries made by the exhibitor cannot be corrected after the closing date. No refunds for duplicate entries.

Dogs under 4 months of age are not permitted on the show grounds of AKC Agility Trials.

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

Gateway Agility Club of Suburban St Louis does not agree to arbitrate claims as set forth on the Official AKC entry form for this event.

Returned checks do not constitute a valid entry fee. There is a \$25 returned check fee.

No refunds will be issued for overpayment of less than \$12.

Checks for cancelled or incomplete entries will be shredded. No check will be returned.

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.

All rights to televise, videotape, advertise, photograph, promote or otherwise exploit this event are vested with Gateway Agility Club of Suburban St. Louis, or in persons to whom assignments of such rights have been made in writing by the Club. Photographs and/or video recordings taken for any reason other than personal use are strictly prohibited.

All exhibitors must comply with the Purina Guest Rules. A copy of the Guest Rules is available at <http://www.labtestedsecretary.com>

## Change of Entry

As described in Chapter 1, Section 21 of the Regulations for Agility Trials, a dog which is entered in a Novice A class for which it is not eligible may be moved to Novice B. In addition, if notification has been received in writing from the AKC after closing that a dog is not eligible for a class entered, the dog may be moved to the correct class. The request for the move must be made at least 30 minutes prior to the start of the trial. If a VMO or Field Representative at a trial measures a dog into a height other than what they entered, the entry may be changed from Regular to Preferred or from Preferred to Regular, as long as the dog has not run any classes that day. If the dog has already run, the change may be made for the next trial day(s). The exhibitor must provide the Trial Secretary the AKC Agility Measurement Form when requesting the class change.

## Prizes and Awards

Rosettes will be awarded to First Place through Fourth Place in each jump height in each class. Qualifying ribbons will be awarded to all dogs receiving a qualifying score. Dogs must qualify to receive placement rosettes.

1st place .....	Blue
2nd place .....	Red
3rd place.....	Yellow
4th place.....	White
Qualifying .....	Green

An AGCH rosette will be awarded to any dog finishing an AGCH title at these trials. A MACH rosette and bar will be awarded to any dog finishing a MACH title at these trials. A PACH rosette and bar will be awarded to any dog finishing a PACH title at these trials. A PAX rosette will be awarded to any dog finishing a PAX title at these trials. A new title ribbon will be awarded to any dog finishing a title at these trials. Dogs qualifying in both Master Standard and Master JWW at the same trial will receive a "Double-Q" award (value less than \$1).

## Motel Information

1. **Holiday Inn at Six Flags**, I-44 at Allenton, Eureka, MO 63025 (I-44, Exit 261)  
800-782-8108, 636-938-6661
2. **Eureka EconoLodge**, 1725 West Fifth St, Eureka, MO 63025 (I-44, Exit 261)  
800-553-2666, 636-938-5348
3. **Eureka Super 8**, 1744 West Fifth St, Eureka, MO 63025 (I-44, Exit 261)  
636-938-4368
4. **Quality Inn**, 1400 West Osage St, Pacific, MO 63069 (I-44, Exit 257)  
636-257-8400
5. **Comfort Inn**, 1320 Thornton St, Pacific, MO 63069 (I-44, Exit 257)  
636-257-4600
6. **Drury Inn**, I-44 and Hwy 141, Valley Park, MO 63088 (I-44, Exit 272)  
800-378-7946, 636-861-8300
7. **Super 8 St Clair**, 1010 S Outer Road St, St Clair, MO 63077 (I-44, Exit 240)  
800-800-8000, 636-629-8080
8. **Budget Lodging**, 866 S Outer Road, St Clair, MO 63077 (I-44, Exit 240)  
636-629-1000 *Tell them you are at a Purina event*

**NOTE:** Some motels may charge a pet fee or have limits on size.

All exhibitors must be responsible for cleaning up after their dogs on the motel, RV and trial grounds. Motels require that dogs be crated when unattended. Any damages to motels, RV sites or the trial site can result in disciplinary action by the Event Committee. It is expected that exhibitors will clean up immediately after their own dogs and strongly encourage others to do the same.

All owners/exhibitors should be aware that the entire motel grounds and RV sites are considered within the trial grounds. You will be responsible for all damage to your room/site and may be subject to disciplinary action in accordance with the rules of the AKC. Any abuse of the grounds will be brought to the attention of the trial-giving club and its Event Committee. Any exhibitor's entries may be refused for previous misuse of the motel or RV facilities. This is an AKC supported measure.