

## PREMIUM LIST

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# United States Australian Shepherd Association

Member of the American Kennel Club

## 26th Annual National Specialty Agility Trials

Australian Shepherds only



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USASA



### Purina Farms Event Center

300 Checkerboard Loop  
Gray Summit, MO 63039

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

Ring size: 85' x 105'

### ENTRIES OPEN at 8:00 am CST, Thursday, February 22, 2018

Entries accepted on a "First Received" basis

Accepting **ENTRIES ONLINE** through LabTestedOnline.com

### ENTRIES CLOSE at 12:00 pm CDT, Friday, March 30, 2018

After which time entries cannot be accepted, canceled, altered, or substituted except as provided for in Chapter 11, Section 6 of the Rules Applying to Dog Shows and Chapter 1, Section 20-21 of the Regulations for Agility Trials

### Certification

Permission has been granted by the American Kennel Club for holding this event under American Kennel Club Rules and Regulations.

Gina M DiNardo, Secretary



## United States Australian Shepherd Association

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

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Webster Groves, MO 63119  
<http://www.labtestedsecretary.com>

314-395-9950 (Tel)  
314-222-9212 (FAX)  
carolyn.johnson@labtestedsecretary.com



### Veterinarian On Call

24 HOUR EMERGENCY CLINIC  
Veterinary Specialty Services  
1021 Howard George Drive  
Manchester, MO 63021  
636-227-6100

Please call ahead

Directions from trial site: At main gate, turn right onto Hwy MM. Turn right on Hwy 100. Take I-44 east to Exit #272, Hwy 141. Take Hwy 141 north to Howard George Dr/S Outer Road in Manchester, MO. Clinic will be on left.

### Judges & Assignments

Pamela Nettles #70579  
17485 S County Road 202, Elmer, OK

Mark Upshaw #53138  
624 Buckhorn Rd, Bloomsburg, PA

	<u>Saturday</u>	<u>Sunday</u>	<u>Monday</u>
Standard	Mark Upshaw	Pamela Nettles	Mark Upshaw
Premier Standard	Mark Upshaw	---	---
JWW	Pamela Nettles	Mark Upshaw	Mark Upshaw
Premier JWW	---	Mark Upshaw	---
FAST N/O	Pamela Nettles	Mark Upshaw	Mark Upshaw
FAST M/X	Pamela Nettles	Pamela Nettles	Mark Upshaw
T2B	Mark Upshaw	Pamela Nettles	---

### Entry Fees

First entry per dog per day .....\$25.00  
Each additional entry per dog per day .....\$13.00  
*Includes AKC Recording Fee of \$3.50 for first entry and \$3.00 for each additional entry per dog per day.*

### Online Entries

This trial is accepting online entries through [LabTestedOnline.com](http://LabTestedOnline.com). During the first 48 hours after opening, the initial limit of entries designated as either online or paper will be as follows. 50% online and 50% paper each day. If either form of entry has not filled at the end of the 48 hour time period, the club reserves the right to decrease or increase either one accordingly.

### Paper Entries

**Make checks payable to USASA.  
Mail entries and fees to:**

**Lab Tested Secretary Services  
632 N Forest Ave  
Webster Groves, MO 63119**

Paper entries received within the first 24 hours must include postage or be metered. Entries must be delivered by multi-state or multi-national postal or carrier service, including but not limited to USPS, FedEx, UPS, and DHL. You must waive the signature requirement for delivery services, if applicable. No FAX entries will be accepted.

All entries must be submitted on official AKC Agility entry forms, one dog per entry form. Photocopies of entry forms without the AKC Agreement are not acceptable. Unsigned, incomplete, or illegible entries are not acceptable. Limit of 10 dogs per envelope.

If you would like confirmation that your entry was received before the trial has closed, please include your email address or enclose a self-addressed stamped postcard.

Entries cannot be changed once the trial has closed. **Please check your entries!**

### "After Closing" Waiting List

A waiting list (30 run maximum each day) will be maintained for these trials once they have closed on March 30. The waiting list will be active until its deadline — Monday, April 16, 6:00 pm CDT. 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.

### Class Description

Please see the AKC Regulations for Agility Trials for current class descriptions. **Dogs must be entered only in Regular Classes or Preferred Classes with no crossover between them allowed at the same set of trials.**

### Obstacles

Obstacles will conform to the requirements in the current edition of the AKC Regulations for Agility Trials. Contacts are rubberized.

### Classes Offered

#### Regular Agility

STANDARD: Novice A & B, Open, Excellent, Master and Premier  
JUMPERS WITH WEAVES: Novice A & B, Open, Excellent, Master and Premier  
FAST: Novice A & B, Open, Excellent, and Master  
TIME 2 BEAT

#### Preferred Agility

STANDARD: Novice, Open, Excellent, Master and Premier  
JUMPERS WITH WEAVES: Novice, Open, Excellent, Master and Premier  
FAST: Novice, Open, Excellent, and Master  
TIME 2 BEAT

### Dogs Eligible to Enter

These trials are open to Australian Shepherds fifteen (15) months of age or older that are registered with the American Kennel Club or that have AKC Limited Registration or Purebred Alternative Listing/Indefinite Listing Privileges (PAL/ILP). Dogs with a PAL/ILP number must be spayed or neutered in order to compete.

Dogs should be physically sound. Dogs that are blind, bitches in season, aggressive dogs, or dogs suffering from any deformity, injury, or illness which may affect a dog's physical or mental performance are not eligible to compete. No dog shall compete if it is taped or bandaged in any way or has anything attached to it for medical purposes. Refer to Chapter 2 of the Rules Applying to Registration and Discipline for the listing of registerable breeds that may participate. Wherever the word "dog" is used in these regulations, it includes both sexes.

### Tentative Running Order/Start Times

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

Saturday	Ring 1:	T2B, Premier STD, M/X STD, Open STD, Nov STD
	Ring 2:	M/X FAST, Nov FAST, Open FAST, Nov JWW, Open JWW, M/X JWW
Sunday	Ring 1:	M/X FAST, T2B, M/X STD, Open STD, Novice STD
	Ring 2:	Nov FAST, Open FAST, Nov JWW, Open JWW, M/X JWW, Premier JWW
Monday	Ring 1:	M/X FAST, Open FAST, Nov FAST, M/X STD, Open STD, Nov STD, M/X JWW, Open JWW, Nov JWW

#### Jump Order

All days Ring 1: Short to tall  
Ring 2: Tall to short

### Start Times

	Walkthrough/judge's briefing	Judging starts
Saturday	11:30 pm	12:00 pm
Sunday	8:30 am	9:00 am
Monday	8:30 am	9:00 am

### Height Divisions

Owners are responsible for entering their dogs in the proper height divisions.

Height divisions are:

<b>Regular Agility</b> May enter a higher height	<b>Preferred Agility</b> MUST enter the proper eligible height division	<b>Height at withers</b> Owners are responsible for entering their dog in the proper height
8"	4"	11" and under
12"	8"	14" and under
16"	12"	18" and under
20"	16"	22" and under
24"	20"	over 22" Regular Dogs may not be entered in this height if they are 22" or under
24C"	----	22" or under, at owner's discretion Dogs who measure into the 24" regular jump height division may not enter 24-choice

### AKC Jump Height Cards

All dogs competing in agility must **possess** an official AKC Jump Height Card. **You are not required to show your height card or send a copy with your entry. You are required to mark on your entry form if your dog needs to be measured.** For more information please visit [http://www.akc.org/events/agility/jump\\_height\\_card.cfm](http://www.akc.org/events/agility/jump_height_card.cfm)

### Move-ups

**For the Saturday, April 21, trial: MOVE-UPS close at 6:00 pm CDT, Monday, April 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 Sunday, April 22 and Monday, April 23 trials: MOVE-UPS close 30 minutes after the end of the trials on Saturday, April 21 and Sunday, April 22 respectively and must be submitted at the trial.**

### 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.

### Trial Information

The building is available for set up on Saturday at 10 am. There will be NO SETUP ON FRIDAY due to another event at Purina.

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

Ring size: 85' x 105'. There will be 2 rings on Saturday and Sunday and 1 ring on Monday.

The building is air-conditioned. Please bring crates and chairs. All metal crates must be on mats, carpet or some other material that will protect the floor.

Electronic timing will be used at these trials.

### 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.

The United States Australian Shepherd Association 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 \$10.00 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.

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. The United States Australian Shepherd Association 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.

Entries must be made on Official AKC entry forms or copies and must include the signed Agreement and Rules. Junior Handlers must enter their JH# and complete back of form. Include only AKC titles on entries.

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.

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 \$10.

Checks for pulled or unacceptable entries will be shredded. No checks will be returned.

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

The United States Australian Shepherd Association does not agree to arbitrate claims as set forth on the Official AKC entry form for this event.

The 2018 National Specialty show site is Purina Farms. Maps are available on the Purina website, [www.purinafarms.com](http://www.purinafarms.com) Agility trials will be in the Great Hall at the Purina Event Center. Food concessions, vendors, show office and show committee tables will be in or close to the Great Hall. All reserved grooming spaces, dog bathing, and handler changing rooms are in the adjacent Gateway Hall. The General Membership Meeting and the Judges Education Seminar will be in the Founder's Room on the second floor of the Great Hall.

Access - Access to the Purina Farms property is available from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. If the gate is closed outside of those hours, there is a button on the front gate that can be pushed, which contacts Security, who can then open the gate. To contact Security via phone, call 636-221-1428 or the back up number of 314-982-2222.

Exhibitors are responsible for cleaning up after their dogs. This includes properly disposing of waste and using designated relief areas and the public x-pen area on the East side of the Gateway Hall for all elimination needs. Designated stations throughout the facility should be used appropriately (i.e., watering station should not be used for waste or other materials).



### Photographer

Photography by Alissa  
PO Box 7504, Gurnee, IL 60031  
847-336-PIXX alissa@pet-personalities.com  
http://www.pet-personalities.com

Alissa Behn has exclusive rights and responsibilities for all performance photographs, including win photos.

### Freelance Photography

Photography by any other person(s) or company for commercial purposes or distribution of any kind is strictly prohibited, except with the express permission of the official Photographers and the Show Chair. Written request must be received by the Show Chair prior to April 21, 2018, NO EXCEPTIONS. Photography using iPhones, Android phones, tablets, iPads or other handheld devices only for strictly personal, non-commercial purposes, is permitted.

CANDID PHOTOGRAPHERS ARE CONSIDERED A VENDOR AND MUST PAY A FEE TO PHOTOGRAPH AT ANY OF THESE EVENTS.

### Vendors

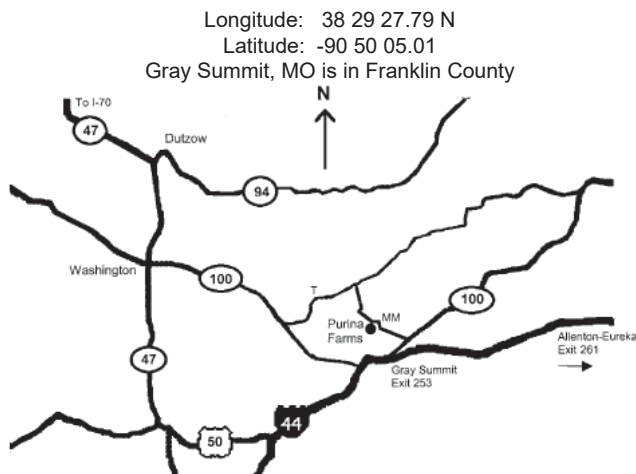
#### **BY RESERVATION ONLY**

For vendor information contact Donna Armstrong, VendorChairUSASA@gmail.com. There will be no vending of services or supplies in the grooming areas or ring side areas. Vending will only be authorized in the designated vendors' area located in the Great Hall.

### Directions

From North/East/South: Take I-44 to Gray Summit/Hwy 100 Exit 253. Turn east on Hwy 100. After approximately ½ mile, turn left on MM. Entrance to Purina Farms is approximately 0.5 mile on left, just past the herding fields.

From West: Take I-70 to Hwy 47, Exit 193. Take Hwy 47 south to Hwy 100. Continue on 100 to I-44 east. Take I-44 east one exit to Gray Summit. Follow directions above.



### Motel Information

**Dogs may NOT be left in rooms unattended.**

#### **HOST HOTEL:**

**Holiday Inn at Six Flags**, 4901 Six Flags Rd, Eureka, MO 63025 (I-44, Exit 261)  
800-782-8108 — Ask for Crystal Smith

Make reservations early, as this is a resort area.

When making reservations, indicate you are with the “Australian Shepherd National Specialty” at Purina Farms.

### RV Parking

A limited number of RV sites available at Purina Farms. RV Parking Reservation information and Form are available on the USASA website at <http://www.australianshepherd.org> Reservations open February 10 and close March 30. Contact Joan Skinner, joanmskinner@gmail.com.

#### **Additional Motels**

*Due to changes in some hotel and motel policies, be sure to check with the motel to see if they still accept dogs. Dogs may not be left in rooms unattended. Make reservations early.*

Washington Super 8	800-800-8000 or 636-390-0088
4 050 Bielser Rd., Washington, MO 63090	
Eureka Super 8	800-800-8000 or 636-938-4368
1733 W 5th St., Eureka, MO 63025	
Budget Lodging	636-629-1000
866 S I-44 Outer Rd., St Clair, MO 63077	
Motel 6	636-587-7000
15 Hilltop Village Center Dr., Eureka, MO 63025	
Best Western Plus	636-390-8877
2621 E 5th St., Washington, MO 63090	
Super 8	636-390-0088
2081 Eckelkamp Ct., I-44 Exit 251 Hwy 100, Washington, MO 63090	
Comfort Inn	636-257-4600
1320 Thornton St, I-44 Exit 257, Pacific, MO 63069	
Quality Inn	636-257-8400
1400 West Osage St., Pacific, MO 63069	
Drury Inn & Suites Southwest	636-861-8300 or 800-267-6355
I-44 & Hwy 141, 5 Lambert Drury Place, Valley Park, MO 63088	

#### **Campgrounds**

Jellystone Park Campground	636-938-5925
5300 Fox Creek Rd., Eureka, MO 63069	
St Louis West/Historic Route 66 KOA Campground	636-257-3018
18475 Old US Hwy 66	
Pin Oak Creek	636-451-5656
1392 Highway AT, Villa Ridge, MO 63089	
Robertsville State Park	636-257-3788
900 State Park Dr., Robertsville MO	

#### **Local RV and Trailer Rental**

Please contact the companies below for rental information:

Byerly RV - Eureka, MO	636-938-2000
M.B. Thomas RV - St. Louis, MO	800-392-5655

All exhibitors should be aware that the entire motel grounds and RV sites are considered within the trial grounds. All exhibitors are 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 or abuse of the grounds can result in disciplinary action by the Event Committee. Any exhibitor's entries may be refused for previous misuse of the motel or RV facilities. This is an AKC supported measure.



OFFICIAL AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB AGILITY ENTRY FORM

AKC Rules, Regulations, Policies and Guidelines are available on the American Kennel Club Web site, www.akc.org

United States Australian Shepherd Club Agility Trials
April 21-23, 2018

Table with columns: Standard, JWW, T2B, FAST, Premier STD, Premier JWW and rows: Saturday, Sunday, Monday

Entry fee: \$25 for the first entry and \$13 for each additional entry of the same dog each day. Entries open 8:00 am, Feb 22, 2018. Entries close at 12:00 pm, Mar 30, 2018, at the Agility Trial Secretary's office.

IMPORTANT: Carefully read instructions before filling out!

ENTRY FEE ENCLOSED for this dog \$

Choose Either Regular or Preferred Classes

Circle one jump height / Circle class selections - Only one selection per class (both Master & Premier allowed)

Table with columns: REGULAR Classes (8", 12", 16", 20", 24", 24C") and PREFERRED Classes (4", 8", 12", 16", 20"). Rows: STD, JWW, FAST, T2B

Non-Regular Classes International Sweepstakes [ ] STD [ ] JWW

This dog needs to be measured: [ ] Yes [ ] No SEX HEIGHT AT WITHERS BREED Australian Shepherd VARIETY CALL NAME

AKC\* NAME (Include AKC titles only)

[ ] AKC NO. [ ] ILP NO. [ ] PAL NO. [ ] FOREIGN REG. NO. (Enter Complete Registration # below) DATE OF BIRTH PLACE OF BIRTH (List Country)

BREEDER

SIRE

DAM

ACTUAL OWNERS

OWNERS ADDRESS [ ] NEW ADDRESS

CITY STATE ZIP + 4

HANDLER ENTER JR HANDLER # if applicable

Exhibitor or owner MUST sign on the signature line beneath the instructions.

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...

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...

INSTRUCTIONS

Handlers whose dogs measure into the 8" through 20" regular jump height divisions may opt to enter in a higher or 24-choice height division for all Regular titling classes, but not in a division lower than their proper height division.

All dogs that have not been officially measured for an Agility Jump Height Card may still compete; however, they must be measured by a Judge of record, an Agility Field Representative, or a Volunteer Measuring Official, prior to running.

Dogs listed in the AKC Canine Partners ProgramSM may be eligible to enter all-breed AKC agility trials at the club's option. These dogs should be listed as All American Dog and must include their AKC number on the entry form and check the AKC No. box.

Junior Handlers should enter their Junior Handler number on the front of this form. Should you not have your Junior Handler number, it may be obtained from the American Kennel Club (919) 233-9767.

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

SIGN HERE X

Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ [ ] New Email

In Case of Emergency - Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_