

GRCCO AKC AGILITY TRIAL NEWSLETTER

NOVEMBER 20-22, 2020 – PANDEMIC EDITION

Welcome to the Golden Retriever Club of Columbus agility trial... we hope you enjoy yourselves and that we see you again next year under more normal circumstances (check www.furrydogs.com for updates to this and future trials)! You'll find confirmations for your entries included in this mailing; please review them and report any errors or missing information to the Secretary ASAP. Move-ups are due by **6pm on Monday, November 16th**.

Check-in: Exhibitors who have no other special check-in requirements should simply sanitize & check in on the ringside gate sheets. If you are expecting a refund, stop by the Secretary table to pick up a refund check. No armbands will be issued!!

Measuring: One of our judges (Michele) this weekend IS a VMO. However, please be certain that your dog will be comfortable being measured with the VMO wearing a mask, if you want her to measure your dog. If you are not 100% confident your dog can do this, then they cannot be measured. We may have other VMOs as well. No non-VMO measuring will take place.

Schedule

Ring 1 (Std)

7:40 DbIM/E STD walk/briefing
1 → 8:00 DbIM/E STD judging begins
3 → followed by Premier STD walk & judging
followed by Master/Ex STD walk & judging (after 12" M-FAST)
followed by Open STD walk & judging
followed by Novice STD walk & judging
followed by T2B walk & judging (ALL HEIGHTS)

Friday

Ring 2 (JWW)

2 → ~8:30 DbIM/E JWW walk/briefing (after DbISTD 12")
~8:40 DbIM/E JWW judging begins
4 → followed by Master/Ex FAST walk & judging (after PremierSTD)
followed by Open+Novice FAST walk & judging
followed by Novice JWW walk & judging
followed by Open JWW walk & judging
followed by Master/Ex JWW walk & judging
followed by Premier JWW walk & judging



Ring 1 (Std)

8:00 Premier STD walk/briefing
1 → 8:30 Premier STD judging begins
followed by Master/Ex STD walk & judging (after 12" M-FAST)
followed by Open STD walk & judging
followed by Novice STD walk & judging
followed by T2B walk & judging (ALL HEIGHTS)

Saturday

Ring 2 (JWW)

2 → ~8:55 Master/Ex FAST walk/briefing (after PremierSTD)
~9:10 Master/Ex FAST judging begins
followed by Open+Novice FAST walk & judging
followed by Novice JWW walk & judging
followed by Open JWW walk & judging
followed by Master/Ex JWW walk & judging
followed by Premier JWW walk & judging

Ring 1 (Std)

2 → ~8:45 Master/Ex STD walk/briefing (after 12" M-FAST)
~9:00 Master/Ex STD judging begins
followed by Open STD walk & judging
followed by Novice STD walk & judging

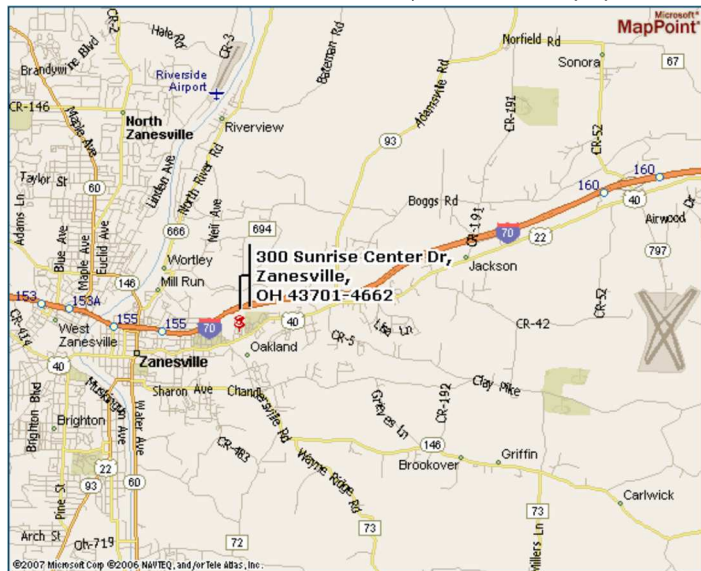
Sunday

Ring 2 (JWW)

8:00 FAST walk/briefing
1 → 8:30 Master/Ex FAST judging begins
followed by Open+Novice FAST walk & judging
followed by Novice JWW walk & judging
followed by Open JWW walk & judging
followed by Master/Ex JWW walk & judging

- Running order: 4" to 24" all three days
- STD & JWW: All subdivisions will run **together by height**, within each skill level
- Mas/Exc STD/JWW will be split into **3 walkthroughs** (4/8/12; 16; 20/24) minimum. T2B, FAST, & Nov/Open STD/JWW will not be split by height.
- **Maps, briefings**, etc will be posted each evening between 7-10pm and can be downloaded from: https://1drv.ms/u/s!AtRWxjDMp_Uz4GMLw1RAQKa5ZGfh?e=u1crkl
- **IF YOU THINK YOU MIGHT HAVE A CONFLICT – THEN PLEASE WALK &/or RUN WITH AN EARLIER HEIGHT!** (or be prepared for a public stoning...)

Show Site Info and Directions (Fieldhouse Family Sports & Wellness Center, 300 Sunrise Ctr, Zanesville OH 43701):



Food and indoor restrooms will be available at the show site. **Food will be available for lunch each day.**

Overnight RV parking & camping at the show site is permitted; please contact Trial Chair if questions. No dogs may be left unsupervised overnight at the site, but crates/ex-pens may be left at the owner's risk. **There will NOT be general crating set up Thursday evening. However, if you can help with set-up on Thursday evening, please contact Glenn Rawsky (smawsky@furrydogs.com).** We need a **limited number of workers to help, who will be allowed to set up crates after trial set up is complete.** The building will **open at 7:00 AM Friday morning** for set up. There is plenty of space; however everyone is **REQUIRED** to place a waterproof tarp/mat underneath crates and chairs to protect the track. This will be strictly enforced!! **Please clean up after your dogs!** This show is being held at a private sports facility. **No dogs are allowed in the restrooms!**

Directions: From the East, take I-70 to Exit 157; turn left (South) on SR-93 for 0.2mi; then turn right (West) onto US-22/US-40. Travel West for 1.1mi; Sunrise Center will be on your right (North).

From the West, take I-70 to Exit 155 for OH-60S/OH-146E. Bear left onto Elberon Ave; go 0.1mi, and turn right (South) onto OH-60S/146E. Travel 0.2mi and turn left (East) onto US-22/US-40. Travel East for 1.2mi; Sunrise Center will be on your left (North).

Hotel Info: Many area hotels accept well-mannered dogs and handlers; some may charge additional fees for pets, so please call ahead to verify acceptance. Please clean up after your pets at the hotels! They are considered extensions of the show site, and we have requested these properties to notify us of any problems so that appropriate actions may be taken. The Exit 155 hotels are closest to the show site; Exit 160 hotels are a couple miles further (although only ~5 minutes farther). There are additional hotels ~20 minutes East and West of Zanesville (including a Red Roof). A list is available in the premium and any currently arranged “show rates” are listed on www.furrydogs.com.

This is a preliminary judging schedule which is contingent upon moveup entries not yet received, or when adding waitlisted entries after closing.

Ring 1 (STD + T2B – Fletcher)								Total: 224
Class	4"	8"	12"	16"	20"	24"	24C	Tot
STD-DbIME	1	15	17	18	24	5	-	80
STD-Prem	-	2	3	3	13	2	-	23
STD-M/E	1	16	18	22	27	5	-	89
STD-Open	1	-	1	2	-	1	-	5
STD-Novice	-	1	1	-	2	3	-	7
T2B	-	1	2	4	10	3	-	20

Ring 2 (JWW + FAST - Kuterbach)								Total: 243
Class	4"	8"	12"	16"	20"	24"	24C	Tot
JWW-DbIME	2	15	17	19	23	5	-	81
FAST-M/E	-	6	3	7	12	3	-	31
FAST-Op	-	2	1	1	1	1	-	6
FAST-Nov	-	-	1	1	3	2	-	7
JWW-Nov	-	1	-	-	2	2	-	5
JWW-Op	1	-	2	1	1	2	-	7
JWW-M/E	2	16	18	24	26	5	-	91
JWW-Prem	-	-	2	1	10	2	-	15

Ring 1 (STD + T2B – Kuterbach)								Total: 160
Class	4"	8"	12"	16"	20"	24"	24C	Tot
STD-Prem	-	4	2	9	12	5	-	32
STD-M/E	2	11	11	25	20	8	-	77
STD-Open	-	-	2	2	2	2	-	8
STD-Novice	-	1	2	3	3	4	-	13
T2B	-	3	3	9	9	6	-	30

Ring 2 (JWW + FAST – Fletcher)								Total: 167
Class	4"	8"	12"	16"	20"	24"	24C	Tot
FAST-M/E	-	4	2	11	9	7	-	33
FAST-Op	-	2	1	-	2	1	-	6
FAST-Nov	-	-	1	2	2	-	-	5
JWW-Nov	-	1	2	2	4	2	-	11
JWW-Op	-	-	2	3	2	3	-	10
JWW-M/E	2	11	11	25	20	8	-	77
JWW-Prem	-	1	2	6	11	5	-	25

Ring 1 (STD – Fletcher)								Total: 88
Class	4"	8"	12"	16"	20"	24"	24C	Tot
STD-M/E	2	12	11	16	18	9	-	68
STD-Open	-	-	2	-	3	2	-	7
STD-Novice	-	1	2	2	4	4	-	13

Ring 2 (JWW + FAST - Kuterbach)								Total: 129
Class	4"	8"	12"	16"	20"	24"	24C	Tot
FAST-M/E	-	5	4	7	9	7	-	32
FAST-Op	-	1	1	-	1	1	-	4
FAST-Nov	-	-	1	1	3	1	-	6
JWW-Nov	-	1	2	1	4	2	-	10
JWW-Op	-	-	2	1	4	3	-	10
JWW-M/E	2	13	11	15	17	9	-	67

Run fast, run clean!
-The GRCCO Agility Trial Committee

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SPECIAL REMINDER:

Please remember that dogs are to be pottied only in either (a) the areas behind the building, or (b) on the GRASS surfaces in front of the building. Do not let your dogs relieve themselves on any man-made object or surface in either area! (i.e. raised landscaped areas including the shrubs & mulch in them, or parking blocks, bag dispensers, trash cans, ramps, railings, stairs, your (ex-)friend’s car, etc) So when bringing your dogs into the building, please do not allow yourself to be distracted because you’re dragging a load of crates at the same time (make two trips – it’s not that hard!), or stop to talk to your friends, etc – there’s plenty of time for that later! 😊

Remember that the Fieldhouse has paying members who are using the facility while we are there as their guests, and we need to create as little an imposition on them as possible... otherwise we run the risk of not being allowed to hold agility trials there in the future. Anyone caught violating these rules will be asked to leave for the remainder of the weekend with no refund of fees, and may be subject to disciplinary charges. Please – keep an eye on your own dogs, and also those of your friends! We all want to have trials here for many years to come!

2nd SPECIAL REMINDER - Concessions:

We’re planning to do the same thing we did in Sept/Oct – an “Honor System Lunch” - which will be provided in a COVID-safe manner 😊. In addition, there are several nearby restaurants available.

3rd - the MOSTEST SPECIAL REMINDER: Stay Safe! **Wear your mask covering mouth and nose at all times – please make sure you have an appropriate mask (or bandana/gaiter that drapes to the neck/shoulderline) that fits correctly and stays in place while running –** we’ve all had time to find one that works for us by now! Stay distanced, my friends!

ANNUAL AGILITY TRIAL TOY DRIVE

NOVEMBER 20-22, 2020

Remember that the trial is again the week before Thanksgiving and Black Friday this year, but it sounds like the traditional Black Friday sales bonanza is going to be spread out across the weeks before then anyway (stupid coronavirus... but maybe this is one "upside"...), so here's a great chance to take advantage of them!

SPECIAL REMINDER – TOY DRIVE

It's the Giving Time of year! Parkersburg OTC is again organizing a Holiday Toy Drive for underprivileged children in the greater Zanesville area. We are partnering with the local Salvation Army to distribute toys collected at this trial to help make this holiday season a little more special for those in need. Your generosity in past years has been greatly appreciated, and brought innumerable smiles to the faces of local children!

We're asking that everyone entered in the upcoming trials bring at least one toy geared towards 5-12 year-old children. The gift does NOT need to be wrapped (the Salvation Army needs to be able to identify the age target and any gender target of the toy!), it only needs to be new and unopened. Better yet, we challenge everyone to donate a toy from each *dog* you have entered in the trial!

We're all very fortunate to be able to play this game we call Agility with our dogs as much as we do. So let's take this opportunity to give back to the community which has made it possible for us to hold these events at a great facility, and let them know how much we appreciate being able to come and play with our "furry families"!

Use this as an opportunity to hone your shopping skills before Black Friday, especially at all the "pandemic-safe" early sales that are starting soon (even more online than in past years)... we wouldn't want you to get a shopping injury in a week from lack of warmup, & have to miss an agility trial! ;-)

Thanks again in advance for your generous support! We'll have the usual "gift corral" area set up near the scoring area so that it's convenient for everyone.

-POTC, GRCCO, & our Fieldhouse friends

