



Trial Affiliate: Brevard County Dog Training Club

**CLASSIC Trial, NOT NESTED** 

Sunday, Dec. 17, 2023

TRIAL Location: BCDTC, 625 Gladiola Ave., Merritt Island, FL 32952

TRIAL CHAIR: Janet Scenna email: janetscenna@yahoo.com

TRIAL SECRETARY/Scoreroom: Marilyn Strout email: mitchstrout@yahoo.com

CHIEF SEARCH DESIGNERS & JUDGES: Natalie Duberow & Carol Happel

**ENTRY COST:** \$25 a class, Extreme \$40, No Day of Show Entries

**CLASS OFFERED:** Container, Interior, Vehicle, Exterior, CopyCat, Double Dog Dare, Extreme

LEVELS: Novice, Intermediate, Advanced, Senior, Master

## **ONLINE Entry ONLY**

Entries accepted in order of payment/waiver received by Closing Date

Closing Date: 3pm EDT Dec. 8, 2023

Multiple dogs allowed, titling dog must be run first. For Exhibition Only (FEO) entries accepted

## Important – please read!

It is the Competitor's responsibility to be familiar with the Rules and Regulations for USCSS™. USCSS-Rules-Ver.-3.1.pdf. For information about the organization, please email United States Canine Scent Sports at info@USCanineScentSports.com

This is a **CLASSIC Trial**. You MUST enter all 4 elements at a single level in order to earn the Classic Title. Preference is given to entries that will EARN a CLASSIC title. If you have any questions, after checking the rule book contact the Trial Secretary for additional clarification.

**SAFETY, COLLARS & LEASHES: Flexi/retractable leads are ONLY permitted during a search.** All dogs must be on a 6' or shorter leash when not participating in a search. Dogs MUST be switched over to a 6' length or shorter leash when outside of the search area. Choke chains, prong collars or halti/head collars are NOT permitted during searches. Leashes of any length may be used while the dog is participating in a search. EVERY dog MUST maintain a minimum of 6' distance from all other dogs at ALL TIMES.

**VETERINARIAN:** . Animal Emergency & Critical Care Center of Brevard, 2281 W. Eau Gallie Blvd., Melbourne, FL (321) 725-5365

AWARDS: Ribbons will not be mailed.

- A qualifying ribbon will be given at the end of your run.
- 1st-4th place per class.
- Title ribbons are given upon earning the 3<sup>rd</sup> qualifying leg in an element or game, or upon completion of a level. See Section 15.1D for further explanation.
- # Tabs are awarded in lieu of title ribbons beyond the first title. ie. CN would receive a New Title ribbon; CN2 would receive a #2 tab. DDN would receive a New Title ribbon; DDN2 would receive a #2 tab.
- HiT- HIGH in Trial (level), High Champion & High Rescue Awards 2nd-4th HiTs are NOT awarded.

**CLEAN UP AFTER YOUR DOG!:** Dispose of waste in appropriate containers. Do NOT let your dog pee on items we have to touch! We are guests on this property, please be respectful.

**DESTRUCTION/DAMAGE to Search Area**: Section 17.7B -Handlers will be expected to make financial reparations to the event host or owner of the item that will cover the cost of replacement or repair to the damaged item. ie. vehicles, furniture.

**CRATING:** Inside air-conditioned crating space is available. If crating from participant's vehicle, you must be prepared to provide shade and water throughout the trial. It's Florida, it's HOT!

**ELIGIBLE DOGS:** See Section 6.1 of the Rulebook. If bringing a bitch in season, <u>please</u> <u>inform the trial secretary</u> prior to the trial and inform all exhibitors at the judge's briefing.

INELIGIBLE DOGS: See Section 6.4 of the Rulebook.

**FOOD:** Bring your lunch as the closest store is 5+ miles away.

PAYMENTS & WAIVERS: Checks and Waiver GUARANTEE your spot in the trial. Please make your check out to BCDTC and mailed with the Waiver to Marilyn Strout, 3794 Long Grove Ln., Port Orange, FL 32129. If not received by closing date, the entry is NOT accepted for the trial.

**REACTIVE DOGS:** Brevard County Dog Training Club accepts the entries of reactive dogs in USCSS™ trials. These dogs may not be crated in the general crating area and may have to be crated in the handler's car. Reactive dogs will be run first or last in the trial and all other dogs must be crated while the reactive dogs are preparing for the search. A 10-

minute break will be given after the reactive dogs have run and are again crated to give the other teams time to prepare for their runs. USCSS™ suggests that reactive dogs wear red bandannas.

**REFUNDS & EVENT CANCELLATION:** No refunds allowed after the pre-entry closing date except in the case of injured dogs (<u>Veterinary note required</u>). Refund will be 50% and those seeking a refund must request by 8:30 am on the day of the trial. Vet note must be received by Monday after trial and can be sent to the Trial Chairman. 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. Every attempt will be made to hold this event as scheduled. In the event of an "act of God" such as flood, hurricane or fire, or civil disturbances or any other causes beyond the control of the organizing committee, the event may be canceled or postponed. We will make every attempt to contact entrants and inform them of the cancellation or postponement.

**SCHEDULE:** Tentatively Novice – Intermediate – Advanced - Games - Senior – Master - Extreme. Judge assignments & run order will be determined after the closing date and prior to the day of the trial. Anticipated Check In time "around 8:30 am" with a CSD Briefing at 8:50 am. First Dog Team(s) on the line at 9am. Staggered Arrival Times are planned.

**NO SMOKING/VAPING:** At this facility or on the grounds.

**VOLUNTEERS:** Every Trial relies on great volunteers to run smoothly and efficiently. THANK YOU in advance for volunteering! Email: <a href="mailto:mitchstrout@yahoo.com">mitchstrout@yahoo.com</a> if you are interested. We need **2 Timers/ AND 3 Stewards** 

## Steps for Joining USCSS™, Registering Dog and Entering this Trial

- 1. All competitors must become a member of USCSS™, which is **FREE**! Competitors may join here: <a href="http://members.uscaninescentsports.com/signup">http://members.uscaninescentsports.com/signup</a>.
- 2. Competitors must then register their dog(s) through the USCSS™ website. Each registration includes a one-time \$25.00 fee. Competitors may register their dogs here: <a href="http://members.uscaninescentsports.com/login">http://members.uscaninescentsports.com/login</a>
- 3. When logged into their account on the USCSS™ website, competitors may enter via the TRIALS > Upcoming Events and then choose from the list of trials.
- 4. Competitors then select which dog they are entering and select which Classes and/or Games they are entering.
- **T (Titling)** is for teams wanting to earn qualifying legs (scores) towards titles, placements/ribbons and be eligible for High in Trial awards (if all criteria are met).
- FLO (For Legs Only) is for teams wanting to earn qualifying legs (scores) towards titles, but not placements/ribbons. You might choose this if you already have your title or are running an upper level dog at a lower level and possibly allowing less experienced teams a better chance to place. Judges MUST run FLO in any trial in which they are judging. FLO runs are not credited towards High in Trial (HiT) awards.
- **FEO (For Exhibition Only)** is for a team wanting to run two (2) dogs in the same class/level, or a team wanting to "practice". No qualifying leg is earned, and no placement/ribbon is awarded. If you are running two (2) dogs in the same class/level, the dog running for "practice" MUST be selected as FEO and will run AFTER the titling dog.

Competitors will then receive a 1<sup>st</sup> computer generated confirmation email with details regarding their entry. They will then receive a 2<sup>nd</sup> email confirmation with PAYMENT DETAILS from the Trial Secretary mitchstrout@yahoo.com and instructions on how to submit payment for their entry. Payments and Waiver will be sent directly to the Trial Secretary, not USCSS<sup>TM</sup>. Competitors should note that their spot in the trial will only be held once payment is received by Trial Secretary. Please be sure to ADD mitchstrout@yahoo.com TO YOUR address BOOK so that our emails DO NOT GO TO YOUR SPAM FOLDER!!!!!

## **Brevard County Dog Training Club Release of Liability (Waiver)**



Owner's Name:	
Handler's Name <mark>(if different from owner):</mark>	
Dog's Name:	

Please mail to: Marilyn Strout, 3794 Long Grove Lane, Port Orange, FL 32129

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 above. In consideration of entering this United States Canine Scent Sports (USCSS™) trial, I (we) agree to abide by the rules and regulations of United States Canine Scent Sports (USCSS™) in effect at the time of this event, and by any additional rules and regulations appearing in the rule book dated July 2018 for this event, and further agree to be bound by this liability waiver for all dogs in my care at this event, entered or not. I (we) certify and represent that the dog entered is not a hazard (dog or human aggressive) to persons or other dogs. This entry is submitted for acceptance on the foregoing representation and Agreement. I (we) agree to conduct myself (ourselves) in accordance with all United States Canine Scent Sports (USCSS™) Rules and Regulations and to abide by any decisions made in accord with them. I (we) agree that the organization holding this event has the right to refuse this entry for cause which the organization shall deem sufficient. I (we) agree to hold United States Canine Scent Sports (USCSS™), Brevard County Dog Training Club (BCDTC), their members, directors, governors, officers, agents, or event secretary and the owner and/or lessor of the trial premises and any provider of services that are necessary to hold this event and any employees or volunteers of the aforementioned parties harmless from any claim for loss or injury which may be alleged to have been caused directly or indirectly to any person or thing by the act of this dog while in or about the event premises or grounds or near any entrance thereto, and I (we) personally assume all responsibility and liability for any such claim; and I (we) further agree to hold the aforementioned parties harmless from any claim for loss, injury or damage to this dog. 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, sustained by any person or persons, including myself (ourselves), or on account of damage to property, arising out of or in consequence of my (our) participation in this event, however such injuries, death or property damage may be caused, and whether or not the same may have been caused or may be alleged to have been caused by the negligence of the aforementioned parties or any of their employees, agents, or any other persons.

In consideration of this entry, I hereby grant to United States Canine Scent Sports (USCSS™), Brevard County Dog Training Club (BCDTC), and the Owner and/or Lessor of the Trial Premises, all rights and permissions to use or appropriate my dog and I in photographs or videos, for the promotion of scent sports trials.

Owner's Signature:		Date	
Handler's Signature:		Date	
	(if different than owner)		

This Waiver is a Brevard County Dog Training Club document and may not be altered in any way.

If altered, the competitor's entry will be refused. © 2023