

Variable Trial: Elements (*2 Container and 2 Interior*)

All levels, not nested

and Games (*Go the Distance and Heap O'Hides*)

11/18/2023

Location: Raymond, NH

(behind 15 Freetown Road – Rt 107 behind Ace Hardware)

Chief Search Designers and Judges:

Jean MacKenzie, Peg Grey and Julie Annese

Registration Entry and Closing:

Entries will be awarded by First Come First Serve of Entries **submitted by November 12, 2023** at midnight. Entries after that date will incur a \$10 fee (per handler, not per dog/run.)

Contact trial secretary (jen@paws4dogtrial.com) regarding day of show possibilities.

By registering for this trial, you agree to the Release of Liability Waiver at the end of this document.

Entry Cost:

\$25/run in advance

Number of Entries: 200 Run Limit

| Multiple dogs per handler allowed BUT titling dog must be run first |
For Exhibition Only entries taken | Day of Show entries allowed if there is room |

Trial Chairperson - Jean MacKenzie - tovatraining@gmail.com

Trial Secretary - Jen Strubinger, jen@paws4dogtrial.com, 603-973-2670 (text ok)

On site secretary - Jen Strubinger, jen@paws4dogtrial.com, 603-973-2670 (text ok)

United States Canine Scent Sports - info@USCanineScentSports.com

Classes Offered on 11/18/2023.

- 2 Container
- 2 Interior
- Go the Distance
- Heap O'Hides

The classes are tentatively planned to run in the following order: Master, Senior, Novice, Intermediate and Advanced. Games are planned to run outside and concurrently with Element classes.

Important Times:

Check-in time is 8:30 | Briefing time is 9:00 | First dog on the line at 9:15AM Volunteer dogs will run first. Timing MAY be adjusted due to weather, trial size or other reasons. READ the confirmation!

AWARDS

- Qualifying ribbons will be available, self serve, at the end of your runs.
- High in Trial Awards:
 - High in Trial rosette (1st - 4th) will be awarded for each level of competition.
 - High Rescue in Trial rosette will be awarded for the entire trial
 - High Champion of record rosette will be awarded for the entire trial
 - Dogs must be entered in all classes offered and have no more than one non qualifying score to be eligible for any HIT awards
 - Dogs must be registered with USCSS as a Champion and/or Rescue to be eligible for those awards.
 - **NOTE:** USCSS™ feels that competitors should be eligible to earn HiT at no more than two (2) levels in a single trial, IF there are no games. Where games are offered, competitors should enter their games on the same entry form at the level that they would like to be eligible for HiT. If eligible for multiple levels of High in Trial, competitors should confirm their intentions with the Trial Secretary (or Chief Score Room Person).

HIGH IN TRIAL AWARDS ARE NOT BEING AWARDED FOR 125 RUNS, or fewer.

* High in Trial placements may be announced via Facebook, depending on time, with ribbons Available to be picked up at a later time/trial. **Ribbons will not be mailed.**

NOTE ABOUT COLLARS AND LEASHES

No choke chains, prong collars or halti/head collars are permitted during searches. Collars may have tags. Leashes of any length (including Flexis) may be used while the dog is actively participating in search, but they must be switched over to a 6' (maximum) length leash when outside of the search area. **Good**

sportsmanship towards all humans and all animals is expected at all times.

LUNCH

We don't typically take an official lunch break, but may take a short break at the Judge's discretion. There will be NO potluck but there are many food places nearby (fast food, also restaurants, pizza, and food stores).

VOLUNTEERS

Every Trial relies on great volunteers to run smoothly and efficiently. Please sign up to volunteer at this trial if you can. Please email Jen (jen@paws4dogtrial.com) if you would be willing/able to help.

Dogs must have valid USCSS™ registration numbers to compete in this trial. You can and should (whenever possible) register online and follow the payment instructions noted on the confirmation, we greatly prefer checks made out to Tova Training; mailed to Tova Training, % Barb Burri, 8 Ridgewood Rd., Plaistow, NH 03865.

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: <http://members.uscaninescentsports.com/signup>.
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: <http://members.uscaninescentsports.com/login?redirectTo=http://members.uscaninescentsports.com/dog/register>
3. When logged into their account on the USCSS™ website, competitors may then scroll down to the "LOCAL EVENTS" section, find the trial they are interested in entering and click on the ENTER button. Or, enter via the "Enter This Trial" option for the trial, on the [Upcoming USCSS Events](#) page on the website.
4. Competitors may then select which dog they are entering and select which Classes and/or Games they are entering.
 - ★ Leave both boxes unchecked to earn legs and be eligible for placements/ribbons and High in Trial Awards.
 - ★ The FLO box would be checked if you are looking to earn legs that count towards titles, but are not looking to earn placements/ribbons or High In Trial Awards.
 - ★ The FEO box is typically checked off only for a second dog entering the same

class as another dog. Teams do not earn legs or placements/ribbons.

5. Competitors will then receive an automated confirmation email with details regarding their entry and instructions on how to submit payment for their entry. All payments will be sent directly to the trial host, not USCSS™. The confirmation email will specify how payment will be made (e.g. via PayPal, mailed check, etc.). Competitors should note that their spot in the trial will only be held once payment is made.

THIS IS A SELF-CLEANING SHOW. PLEASE CLEAN UP AFTER YOUR DOG!

LODGING

Manchester is about 20 minutes from trial site

- Super 8 Manchester 2301 Brown Avenue Manchester, NH 03103, (603) 623-0883 (19 miles)
- Quality Inn Manchester 55 John E. Devine Drive Manchester NH 603-668-6110
- Residences Inn by Marriott (small dogs only) (603) 424-8100 (Merrimack) 16 miles
- Holiday Inn Express, 1298 South Porter, Manchester, NH. Exit 1 off Route 293 (603) 669-6800
- Exeter: [Fairfield Inn & Suites](#) 138 Portsmouth Avenue · Exeter, New Hampshire 03833 USA(603) 772-7411 (14 miles)

VETERINARIAN

- Veterinary Emergency and Specialty Hospital 175 Rt 125, Brentwood NH 603-642-9111
- Veterinary Emergency Center of Manchester 336 Abby Rd, Manchester 603-666-6677

Release of Liability

Name: _____

Dog's Name: _____

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 US Canine Scent Sports Dogs™ trial, I (we) agree to abide by the rules and regulations of US Canine Scent Sports™. in effect at the time of this event, and by any additional rules and regulations appearing in the rulebook dated July 2022 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 US Canine Scent Sports Dogs™ Rules and Regulations and to abide by any decisions made in accord with them. I (we) agree that the club holding this event has the right to refuse this entry for cause, which the club shall deem sufficient. I (we) agree to hold US Canine Scent Sports Dogs™, Tova Training and Burri's Paws 4 Dog Training LLC, their event committee and volunteers, and the owner and/or lessor of the 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 there-from, 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.

Waiver of Rights to Privacy, Publicity & Personality

In consideration of this entry, I hereby grant to US Canine Scent Sports Dogs™, Tova Training and Burri's Paws 4 Dog Training LLC, all rights and permissions to use or appropriate my dog and my name, biography, likeness, photograph or other indicia of identity for broadcast, telecast, transmission or distribution in any format or media known now or in the future.

The terms of this agreement bind the parties for the current period of training or trialing, and all subsequent classes/training/events in which they hereafter participate.

Be sure you read and understand the USCSS Rules and Regulations prior to entering these trials. By submitting an entry for these USCSS Trials, you acknowledge that you have read, understand, and accept the policies and liability information as printed in this document.

Signature: _____

Date: