



**Oklahoma City Obedience Training Club** 6629 NW 23rd St, Bethany, OK (Licensed by the American Kennel Club) AKC SCENT WORK TRIALS

July 26, 2024

Event #2025029616 Event #2025029617 **NOVICE ONLY NOVICE ONLY** 

Trials held at: United Methodist Church 101 S. Barker Ave El Reno, OK

**Opening date** Closing date:

6/16/2025 10:00am 7/18/2025 10:00pm

ENTRY LIMITS — 180 entries per trial Trials will run concurrently. To be held Indoors/Outdoors

At the Novice-Only Trial, you have a fantastic entry point to compete in a low-key, low-pressure environment. We will have mentors on site to guide you and answer your questions. Join us for this fun event!

## **Trial Hours:**

9:00am to 4:00pm Check-in begins at 8:00am daily Handler's Briefing at 9:00am, first dog to follow Judges: Madonna Gallant, #102367 David Gallant, #102366 Caroline Oldham, #102521



#### CERTIFICATION

Permission is granted by the American Kennel Club for the holding of this event under American Kennel Club rules and regulations.

## OFFICERS AND BOARD MEMBERS OF OCOTC

President: Karen Allen Vice President: **Recording Secretary:** Treasurer:

Joann Weaver Gail Wettstein Paige Graumann

#### TRIAL CHAIRPERSON

Pat Kerr 15320 S Anderson Oklahoma City, OK 73165 Grammysfarm@gmail.com 405-201-7846

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TRIAL SECRETARY

# EVENT COMMITTEE

## Chair: Pat Kerr

Wendy Wilkinson, Paige Graumann, Karen Allen, Betsy Staton

# **CLASSES OFFERED & JUDGING ASSIGNMENTS**

	Madonna Gallant	David Gallant	Caroline Oldham
Saturday Trial 1	Container Interior Novice ONLY	Exterior Novice ONLY	Handler Disc Buried Novice ONLY
Saturday Trial 2	Container Interior Novice ONLY	Exterior Novice ONLY	Handler Disc Buried Novice ONLY

# **ATTENTION EXHIBITORS!**

The AKC is committed to creating a safe and respectful sport environment for all. If you need to talk to someone or need help, please call 1-800-656-HOPE. (National Sexual Assault Hotline) or text HOME to 741-741 for free, 24/7, confidential services from trained crisis counselors.

## ENTRY FEES PER CLASS

\* an entry fee is defined as a single run by a single dog, in a single class. Entry fees include a \$3.50 per run AKC recording fee.

Each Novice entry\*.....\$20

Mail entry forms and fees to:

Paige Graumann 14240 SW 48th St Yukon, OK 73099 Please make checks payable to the **OCOTC**.

#### Or enter online at www.ocotc.com/online-store

#### (There is a \$1 handling fee per entry for entering online.)

Mail-In Registration must be received by July 18, 2025. No entries will be accepted by phone, email, fax, or hand delivery. Express mail entries must include the signature waiver allowing them to be left at the secretary's address. Inquiries may be directed to Paige Graumann at ocotcscentwork@gmail.com.

No entry shall be made and no entry shall be accepted which specifies any conditions as to its acceptance.

Illegible entries will not be processed and will be returned to the exhibitor.

Returned checks do not constitute a valid entry and the Trial Secretary will add a \$25.00 collection fee to the amount of each returned check.

## ENTRY METHOD—First Received Entries

**ENTRIES WILL OPEN Monday, 6/16/2025 10:00am CDT** at the address provided. All mailed entries received before 6/16/2025 will be returned. Overnight or certified mail must be sent with the "No Signature Required" waiver signed. Entries are accepted in order of receipt by post mark. The Trial Secretary will make the final determination to fairly and equitably determine which entries were received first.

MAIL IN ENTRIES must be <u>received</u> by Friday, 7/18/2025 10:00pm CDT. After which time entries cannot be accepted, cancelled, altered, or substituted except as provided for in Chapter 11, Section 6 of the Rules Applying to Dog Shows. Entries received prior to the opening date shall be treated as an invalid entry and shall be returned to the sender.

The A/B Sections: The Novice A class is for beginners. The exhibitor is fully responsible for entering the dog in the correct class(es)/divisions. Failure to do so will result in the cancellation of qualifying scores.

#### VETERINARIAN ON CALL

Veterinarian - ON CALL Neel Veterinary Hospital 2700 N. MacArthur Blvd Oklahoma City, OK 73127 (405) 947-8387

## EMERGENCY SERVICES

#### FIRE/AMBULANCE/POLICE: 911 LOCAL HOSPITAL:

SSM Health St. Anthony Healthplex, El Reno, OK

3333 Territory Ln, El Reno, OK 73036

(405) 252-3500

# DOGS ELIGIBLE TO ENTER

This trial is open to all dogs SIX (6) months of age or older that are registered with the American Kennel Club or that have AKC Limited Registration, Purebred Alternative Listing/Indefinite Listing Privileges (PAL/ILP), an AKC Canine Partners listing number or approved Foundation Stock Service (FSS) breeds are eligible to participate. Dogs with a Purebred Alternative Listing/Indefinite Listing Privileges (PAL/ILP) or an AKC Canine Partners listing number must be spayed or neutered in order to compete.

Dogs with physical challenges (including amputees) are eligible to participate provided that, in the opinion of the judge, the dog displays no sign of physical discomfort and can safely complete the search. Dogs with bandages, sutures, or visible wounds are not eligible. Deaf and blind dogs are allowed to enter. Deaf and blind dogs are allowed to enter. Dogs that are both deaf and blind are able to participate so long as the handler is in control of the dog at all times, the dog can complete the requirements of the class, and the dog does not appear to be under undue stress in the opinion of the judge.

## AWARDS

Placement ribbons will be awarded in each class as follows:

First Place	Blue
Second Place	Red
Third Place	Yellow
Fourth Place	White
Qualifying Score.	Dark Gree

A New Title rosette will be awarded to all dog/handler teams finishing a title

#### High in Trial and High Combined Division

Only teams who participate in all elements offered (Container, Interior, Exterior, and Buried), and qualify in each, are eligible to win **High in Trial**.

Only teams who participate in all elements offered (Container, Interior, Exterior, and Buried), plus Handler Discrimination and qualify in each, are eligible to win **High Combined Division**.

One High in Trial winner is chosen and One High Combined Division winner is chosen for each level offered.

Teams winning High in Trial and/or High Combined Division will earn a special trial rosette.

## Award for Junior Qualifier

Handlers, under 18 years, will receive a special award for their dog earning a qualifying score in the Trial.

#### Award for Specially-Enabled Dogs

Teams, where the dog has physical challenges (Chapter 2, Section 3) will receive a special award for their dog earning a qualifying score in the Trial.

## REFUNDS

**No entry fee** will be refunded if the trial cannot open or be completed by reason of riots, civil disturbances, fire, an act of God, public emergency, act of a public enemy, or any other cause beyond the control of the organizing committee. No entry fee will be refunded in the event a dog is absent, disqualified, excused, or barred from competition by the action of the Trial Committee. Dogs pulled after closing because of injury or other medical condition are not eligible for a refund.

**Bitches in season** will be refunded the full entry fee. Notification in writing must be given to the Trial Secretary no later than one half hour prior to the start of the first class of the day of the trial.

All exhibitors should obtain a copy of the Regulations for Scent Work,

by downloading them here:

http://images.akc.org/pdf/rulebooks/RSW001.pdf

# STAGING AREA, HANDLER'S BRIEFING, AND WARM-UP INFORMATION

The **Staging Area** will be out of view of search area(s). The Staging Area will include crating, warmup and waiting areas, as well as the Secretary's table for check-ins and posting of running order and results.

The **Handler's Briefing** will take place in view of the search area prior to the start of each class, after the hide(s) have been set and after the Demo Dog has run. In the Handler's Briefing the judge will explain if there is an off-leash option, number of hides, maximum height of hides and maximum time for the search. NO DOGS are to be present during a group Handler's Briefing.

A **warm-up area** will be available consisting of ONE container of each odor being tested at the trial and may also consist of blank containers. Exhibitors should limit their warm-up to (2) two minutes or less. The warm-up area is to be used exclusively for warming up the handler-dog team prior to their run. The warm-up area is not for training or relieving of the dog.

## SEARCH AREA AND RING CONDITIONS

Search areas may be of any shape, and of the size specified in the Regulations for each class.

**Search Area Conditions**. Searches may be indoors, on matted, concrete, carpeted, or tiled surfaces, or outdoors on grass, gravel, dirt, sand, concrete, clay or asphalt surfaces.

**Search Area Sizes** are specified in the regulations for AKC Scentwork. Due to the nature of the venue, there will be substantial distances to cover to reach the search area, including uneven ground and variable surfaces.

## HANDLER DISCRIMINATION

**Handler Discrimination** classes are titling classes in which the targeted scent is that of the handler themselves. Handlers are required to provide their own scented articles in a plastic bag, for the Novice class, one cotton glove or cotton sock, for Advanced, Excellent, and Master, cotton balls or cotton swabs. Three qualifying scores are required to earn titles in each class.

### NOTICE TO EXHIBITORS

SAFETY, BEHAVIOR and LIABILITY: The safety of the dog is our primary concern. By entering this trial, 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 searches safely. 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 an unnecessary disturbance or repeatedly engage in unsafe or disruptive behavior may, at the discretion of the trial committee, be asked to leave the show site. In such case, no refund of any fees paid will be made. OCOTC and its agents, employees, etc., will assume no responsibilities for any loss, damage or injury sustained by exhibitors or handlers, or to any of their dogs or property and further assumes no responsibility for injury to children. OCOTC reserves the right to decline entries for cause and may remove any dog on account of aggression. No one shall have any recourse or claim against OCOTC or any official thereof.

**COLLARS, LEASHES AND HARNASSES:** During searches, dogs must wear a properly fitted collar or harness approved by the judge. Leashes may be of any length and/or retractable. The leash should be made of plain, pliable material.

All dogs must be on leash at all times, and retractable leashes may not be used when on trial grounds (except during judged searches). Dogs must enter and exit the search area with the leash attached to the collar or harness, including when waiting in the search area before and after the search. An off leash option may be offered at the discretion of the judge, only if the area is completely enclosed.

**EXHIBITOR CHECK-IN**: At check-in, you will receive your armband number and an event catalog. Once the time and location for check-in is determined all exhibitors will be notified by email. **Exhibitors MUST check-in EACH day they** <u>are entered.</u>

**RINGSIDE:** Judges are not required to wait for dogs. The Owner of each dog is solely responsible for having it ready at the search area when it is to be judged. The Club has no responsibility to provide service through a public-address system or stewards or runners for the purpose of calling or locating dogs that are not brought into the ring when required. If, in the Judge's opinion, the exhibitor or their dog smells of a target odor, at the Judge's discretion, a Team may be dismissed from competition.

CLAIMS will be arbitrated as set forth on the Official AKC Entry Form for this event.

## ADDITIONAL SITE INFORMATION

**Possession of Odors and Training**. Chapter 5. Section 26 of the Scent Work Regulations state "No person other than those engaged in the administration of a trial shall be in possession of any target odor when on the trial grounds. There shall be no training on the grounds of the AKC Scent Work trial, other than the designated warm-up area".

Spectator Area. Spectators are allowed for this trial.

## 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. Cleaning supplies and disposal sites will be available at various locations around the show grounds.

Crating space. Crating space will be available indoors.

**Trial Site.** It is not appropriate to visit the trial location prior to the trial date. Many search locations are real-life environments and such visits may risk the host losing the opportunity to use the location in the future.

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

#### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!!**

For our Scent Work Volunteers, we will be offering a lunch on the day of the trial, a fast pass to the front of the running order, and volunteer crating. Contact our Scent Work Volunteer Coordinator at ocotc100@gmail.com to volunteer. Thank you for volunteering, you are needed!!

## SPECTATORS & TRIAL VIDEOS

Spectators are encouraged, however, no one outside the search area may assist the handler or disclose the location of the hide. Spectators should take care to remain neutral in order to not provide clues to the handler. Judges may excuse or re-run exhibitors whose dogs they reasonably believe have benefited from double handling. Spectators who intentionally or unintentionally give aid to a team may be asked to leave the spectator area by the judge. Handlers may not watch other exhibitors from their class prior to their turn, except in the case of Handler Discrimination classes if offered.

#### Dogs are not allowed in the spectator area.

It is the practice of the Judges for this event to capture Photographs/Video of exhibitors during their searches. Please be aware that by entering these trials you consent to your voice, name, and/or likeness being used, without compensation, in films, tapes, social media, and/or websites. The photographs/ video remain the sole property of the Judges.

## WAIT-LIST INFORMATION

OCOTC is offering a wait list to fill openings created by withdrawn entries after the trial's closing date/time. A maximum of 25 entries per day will be placed on the club's wait list. All entries, including wait listed entries, must be received by the Trial Secretary prior to 7/18/2025. No entries may be withdrawn with a refund after closing on 7/18/2025. If a withdrawn entry is replaced by a wait listed entry, a full refund will be issued for the withdrawn entry. Any wait listed entry that does not move off the wait list into the trial will receive a full refund.

## HOTEL & RV PARKING INFORMATION

Hotels: Hampton Inn, 1530 SW 27th St, El Reno, OK (405) 702-9200

Home2 Suites by Hilton, 1528 SW 27th St, El Reno, OK (405) 295-2990

Best Western, 2701 S. Country Club Rd, El Reno, OK (405) 262-6490

**RV Parking is available at:** Big Red's RV Park, 2121 S. Choctaw Ave, El Reno, OK (405) 659-2596 **AND** Old 66 RV Park, 1518 S. Rock Island Ave, El Reno, OK 73036 (405) 262-1199

#### RV's must park on the street at the church, no overnight parking.

#### AKC SCENT WORK ENTRY FORM



MAIL TO: Paige Graumann 14240 SW 48th St Yukon, OK 73099 Or enter online at www.ocotc.com/online-store

	Container	Interior	Exterior	Buried	Handler Disc
7/26/2025 Sat, Trial 1	□ Novice A □ Novice B				
7/26/2025 Sat, Trial 2	Novice A Novice B	□ Novice A □ Novice B	□ Novice A □ Novice B	□ Novice A □ Novice B	Novice A Novice B

Odor, Handler Discrimination classes: \$20 x # of entries = \$

#### Make checks payable to OCOTC

TOTAL ENCLOSED: \$

AKC Registered Name		Registration Number				
			□AKC/PAL/ILP/CP □Foreign			
Call name	Date of birth			Sex		
Breed			Variety			
Breeder						
Sire						
Dam						
Owner						
Owner's Address						
City		State			Zip	
Telephone	Email					
Handler name (if different from owner):		Junior Handler # (if applicable):				

<u>1</u>Fjelds marked in blue are REQUIRED. Fields marked in gray must be completed if the information is known. \*\*\*Be sure to read the following Agreement and sign. No entry form will be processed without your signature!\*\*\* AKC Rules, Regulations, Policies and Guidelines are available on the American Kennel Club Web site, www.akc.org

#### 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, and any additional rules and regulations appearing in the premium list of this event and entry form and any decision 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) certify and represent that the dog entered is not a hazard to persons or other dogs. In consideration of the acceptance of this entry and of the holding of this event and of the opportunity to have the dog judged and to win prizes, ribbons, or trophies, I (we) agree to hold the AKC, the event-giving club, their members, directors, governors, officers, agents, superintendents or event secretary 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, and any AKC approved judge, judging at this event, 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 of 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 person. I (we) agree that the determination of whether the injury is serious shall be made by the event veterinarian and is binding on me (us). I (WE) AGREE THAT ANY CAUSE OF ACTION, CONTROVERSY OR CLAIM ARISING OUT OF OR RELATED TO THE EN-TRY, EXHIBITION OR ATTENDANCE AT THE EVENT BETWEEN THE AKC AND THE EVENT-GIVING CLUB (UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED IN THIS PREMIUM LIST) AND MYSELF (OURSELVES) OR AS TO THE CONSTRUCTION, INTERPRETATION AND EFFECT OF THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE SETTLED BY ARBITRATION PURSUANT TO THE APPLICABLE RULES OF THE AMERICAN ARBITRATION ASSOCIATION. HOWEVER, PRIOR TO ARBITRATION ALL APPLICABLE AKC BYLAWS, RULES, REGULATIONS, AND PROCEDURES MUST FIRST BE FOLLOWED AS SET FORTH IN THE AKC CHARTER AND BYLAWS, RULES, REGULATIONS, PUBLISHED POLICIES AND GUIDELINES.

#### INSTRUCTIONS

Please check the box for each class desired to be entered. Dogs may enter two different levels within each element, at each trial. Dogs entered the Advanced, Excellent, Master or Detective classes must have earned the required title, as stipulated in the AKC Scent Work Regulations. Dogs may enter either the Novice "A" class or the Novice "B" class—not both.

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

SIGN HERE X:\_\_\_\_\_

Phone #:\_\_\_\_

Email:

In case of Emergency – Name:\_\_\_\_\_

Phone #:\_\_\_