

**ENTRY METHOD: FIRST RECEIVED**

Opening for First Received will be March 6, 2024, at 8:00 AM EST.

**NO HAND DELIVERIES, NO CREDIT CARDS.**

Closing Date is April 10, 2024, at 5PM, EST.

Overnight or certified mail must be sent with the "No Signature Required" waiver signed. Envelopes containing entries for more than the ten (10) dog maximum and/or entries received prior to the opening date shall be treated as an invalid entry and shall be returned to the sender. Illegible entries shall also be considered invalid.



**Premium List**

**Mt Nittany Dog Training Club**

(Licensed by the American Kennel Club)

**Scent Work Trials**

**April 27, 2024- Detective only, limit 12**

**April 28, 2024 (2 Trials: Concurrent)**

**Penn State Ag Progress Grounds  
2710 West Pine Grove Rd. (Rt 45 Gate K)  
PA Furnace, PA 16865**

**April 27, 2024, Detective Only-  
Saturday only- limit 12 runs**

**April 28, 2024 (2 Trials: Concurrent)  
Container- Novice A & B & Advanced  
Interior- Novice A & B & Advanced  
Exterior- Novice A & B & Advanced & Excellent  
Buried Novice A & B, & Advanced & Excellent**

**ENTRY LIMITS: 125 runs per judge per day.**

**TRIALS WILL RUN CONCURRENT with no move-ups between classes.**

**Trial Hours:** 9:00 am to 30 minutes after the conclusion of trial. Eastern

**Handlers' Briefing:** 9:30 a.m. Eastern, first dog to follow.

**NO CREDIT CARDS**



**AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB CERTIFICATION**

Permission is granted by the American Kennel Club for the holding of this event under American Kennel Club rules and regulations. Gina M. DiNardo, Executive Secretary

**Officers of the Mt Nittany Dog Training Club**

President: Elaine Swancer  
 Vice President: Mary Wodecki  
 Secretary: Brenda Palmgren, 2016 Chelsea Ln., State College, PA 16801  
 (814) 574-1039  
 Treasurer: Karen Keller  
**Board of Directors:**  
 Donalee McElrath, Christie Black, Sandy Roth, Albert (Bart) Bartlet

<b>TRIAL CHAIRPERSON</b> Sandy Roth 1201 Deerfield Dr. State College, PA 16803 814-880-4515 <a href="mailto:fanfaredogs@gmail.com">fanfaredogs@gmail.com</a>	<b>TRIAL SECRETARY</b> Bonnie Reifsnyder 250 Trail Road Hershey, PA 17033 717-579-8296 <a href="mailto:scoresmore@comcast.net">scoresmore@comcast.net</a>
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**EVENT COMMITTEE**

Sandy Roth, Betsy Geertson, Cheryl McMillan, Beth Irwin, Susan Williams,  
 Kay Waslohn and any member of MNDC

**JUDGES AND ASSIGNMENTS:**

<b>Judge:</b> Joyce Smuda # 102474 Spring City, PA 19475	<b>Judge:</b> Lori Kobayashi # 102728 Gaithersburg, MD 20878
<b>Detective-</b> limit 12, Saturday only  Trial #1 Container- Nov A & B, Adv Interior- Nov A & B, Adv  Trial #2 Container- Nov A & B & Adv Interior- Nov A & B & Adv	Trial # 1- Exterior- Nov A & B, Adv, Exc Buried- Nov A & B, Adv, Exc  Trial # 2 – Exterior-Novice A & B, Adv, Exc Buried- Nov A & B, Adv, Exc

**If sending entries by regular mail, you need to check with the trial secretary within 5 days to see if your entry was received. DO NOT ASSUME YOU ARE IN A TRIAL until you get notification from Trial Secretary.**

Central PA Veterinary Emergency Treatment Services  1522 Martin St. State College, PA 16803 (814) 237-4670 <b>Evenings &amp; weekends</b>
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**EMERGENCY SERVICES:** Fire/Ambulance/Police: Call 911

## **ROUTE TO SHOW**

**(GPS-2710 West Pine Grove Road, Pa Furnace, Pa 16865)**

Rt. 322 W to Boalsburg Business to Rt. 45 W thru Pine Grove Mills approx. 4 miles to GATE K

Rt. 322 E to State College to Rt. 26 S to Pine Grove Mills approx. 4 miles on Rt. 45 W to GATE K

I 99 N/S to Rt. 350 at Bald Eagle, follow Rt. 350 to Rt. 45 East, approx 8 miles to Ag Progress Site

Enter GATE K and follow Main Street to the exhibitor parking area.

## **ACCOMMODATIONS**

### **Hotels:**

**Super 8** -- 663 S. Atherton and Branch Rd. (Business Rt. 322), State College, PA 16801, (814) 237-8005

**Days Inn State College on Atherton**-- 1274 N. Atherton (Business Rt. 322), State College, PA 16801 (814) 498-1642

**Nittany Budget Motel** -- 2070 Cato Avenue, State College, PA 16801 (814) 238-0015

**Quality Inn Milesburg** -- 971 North Eagle Valley Rd., Milesburg, PA 16853 (814) 355-7521

**BOOK EARLY AS THERE MAY BE OTHER EVENTS IN AREA  
DUE TO ACTIVITIES OF PENN STATE UNIVERSITY.**

**No overnight camping on site.**

**CLASSES OFFERED**

**Saturday-** Detective only, limit 12

Sunday Trial 1		Sunday Trial 2	
Container	Nov A & B, Adv	Container	Novice A & B, Adv
Buried	Nov A & B, Adv, Exc	Buried	Nov A & B, Adv, Exc
Interior	Nov A & B, Adv	Interior	Nov A & B, Adv
Exterior	Nov A & B, Adv, Exc	Exterior	Nov A & B, Adv, Exc

**Judging begins immediately after handler’s briefing.**

**No Transfers/Move-Ups between trials**

**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, have an AKC Limited Registration, Purebred Alternative Listing/Indefinite Listing Privileges (PAL/ILP), an AKC Canine Partners listing number, or are approved Foundation Stock Service (FSS) breeds which 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 to compete. Aggressive dogs, bitches in season NOT allowed.

Wherever the word “dog” is used in these regulations it includes both sexes.

**Chapter 2 Section 3.** Describes the physical condition of the dog.

**Condition of the Dog.** Dogs with physical challenges (including amputees) are eligible to participate provided that, in the opinion of the judge, they display no signs of physical discomfort and can safely complete the search. Dogs with bandages, sutures, or visible wounds are not eligible. Deaf dogs 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.

**DOG HEALTH NOTICE**

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

**ENTRY FEES**

**Detective entry fee** (includes a \$3.50 AKC recording fee) ..... \$50

Each entry (includes a \$3.50 AKC recording fee) ..... \$25

**NO CREDIT CARDS WILL BE ACCEPTED!**

**Mail entry forms and fees to:**

Bonnie Reifsnyder (MNDTC-SW), 250 Trail Road, Hershey, PA 17033

**Please make checks payable to: Mt Nittany Dog Training Club (MNDTC)**

No phone calls for entry changes, must be in writing.

E-mail is [scoresnmore@comcast.net](mailto:scoresnmore@comcast.net)

No entries will be accepted by phone, email, fax, or hand delivery. Express mail entries must include a signature waiver allowing them to be left at the secretary's address. Inquiries may be directed to Bonnie Reifsnyder- [scoresnmore@comcast.net](mailto:scoresnmore@comcast.net).

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 \$30.00 collection fee to the amount of each returned check.

**WAIT LIST INFORMATION**

**Mt Nittany Dog Training Club** is offering a wait list to fill openings created by withdrawn entries after the trial's closing date/time. A maximum of **15 entries per trial** will be placed on the club's wait list. All entries, including wait listed entries, must be received by the Trial Secretary on or before **April 10, 2024**.

Checks for entry fees will not be deposited until the closing date. Checks for entries that are not accepted in the trials will be shredded.

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## **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, carpeted, or tiled surfaces, or outdoors on grass, gravel, earth, concrete, or asphalt surfaces.  
**Search Area Sizes** will be as defined in the AKC Scent Work regulations.

## **ADDITIONAL SITE INFORMATION**

**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.  
**No crating in the building.**

**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."

**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 and marked.

## **RIBBONS, AWARDS AND PRIZES**

Placement ribbons will be awarded in each class as follows:

<i>First Place</i>	<i>Blue</i>
<i>Second Place</i>	<i>Red</i>
<i>Third Place</i>	<i>Yellow</i>
<i>Fourth Place</i>	<i>White</i>
<i>Qualifying Score</i>	<i>Dark Green</i>

A **New Title rosette** will be awarded to all dog and handler teams finishing a title.

**HIGH IN TRIAL-** No High in Trial will be offered.

All exhibitors should obtain a copy of the Regulations for Scent Work Trials by downloading them from the American Kennel Club website.

## **NOTICE TO EXHIBITORS**

**The judging Program** will be sent to exhibitors after the trials close via e-mail.

## **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 trial site. In such case, no refund of any fees paid will be made. The Mt Nittany Dog Training Club 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. The Mt Nittany Dog Training Club 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 the Mt Nittany Dog Training Club or any official thereof.

**Collars, Leashes and Harnesses.** During searches, dogs must wear a properly fitted collar or harness approved by the judge. A wearable camera such as a Go Pro may be mounted to the dog's harness, if desired. 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.

## **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.

"Chapter 3, section 15 - Bitches in season will receive a full refund less \$5.00 for processing. Notification in writing, from a veterinarian, 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.

Injured dogs and/or handlers who pull after closing will receive a refund less \$7.00 per class. A written verification from a veterinarian/physician must be presented to the trial secretary no later than one half hour prior to the start of the first class of the day of the trial.

## **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.

**EXHIBITOR CHECK-IN:** Once the time and location for check-in is determined, all exhibitors will be notified by email.

**Exhibitors MUST check in for EACH trial in which they are entered.**

**STAGING AREA, HANDLER’S BRIEFING, AND WARM -UP INFORMATION**

**Staging Area** will be out of view of search area(s). Staging area will include crating, warm-up and waiting area, as well as the secretary 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’s an off-leash option, number of hides, maximum height of hides and maximum time for the search. **NO DOGS** are to be present during the Handler’s Briefing.

Chapter 5, section 34.A **warm-up area** the club shall designate a warm-up area. One labelled container per target odor being used in the trial on that day will be placed in the warm-up area. This will allow handler-dog teams to prepare themselves for the search prior to their run. Each team should limit their warm-up to two minutes or less so that others may be able to use the warm-up area as well. Clubs may also place blank containers.

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From the Regulations:

**CHAPTER 2 Section 2. Class Eligibility.**

- Novice A Classes are open to dogs who have not completed any title for that particular element, who have not completed a comparable title with another organization, and whose handlers are neither Scent Work judges, nor have ever worked as professional detection dog handlers.
- Novice B Classes are open to all dogs.
- Advanced Classes are open to dogs who have achieved the Novice title for that particular element.

**CHAPTER 2 - Section 10. Handling More Than One Dog.** Handlers may not handle more than one dog in each class. Multiple dogs from the same owner may be entered in the same class, provided they are run by different handlers.

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You must submit **\*BOTH PAGES\* of the entry form.** It might be easier to use the “stand alone” entry form (printed landscape).



AKC Official Entry Form – AKC Scent Work Entry Form



Entry fees: \$25 per class  
 Detective fee: \$50  
 Make checks payable to the  
 Mt Nittany Dog Training Club  
 (MNDTC)

Send to:  
 Bonnie Reifsnnyder,  
 MNDTC Scent April  
 250 Trail Rd.,  
 Hershey, PA 17033

**NO CREDIT CARDS!**

Open 3/6/24 closes 4/10/24

	Container	Interior	Exterior	Buried	Detective
Saturday 4/27/24					<input type="checkbox"/>
Sunday Trial 1 4/28/24	<input type="checkbox"/> Novice A <input type="checkbox"/> Novice B <input type="checkbox"/> Advanced	<input type="checkbox"/> Novice A <input type="checkbox"/> Novice B <input type="checkbox"/> Advanced	<input type="checkbox"/> Novice A <input type="checkbox"/> Novice B <input type="checkbox"/> Advanced <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Novice A <input type="checkbox"/> Novice B <input type="checkbox"/> Advanced <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	
Sunday Trial 2 4/28/24	<input type="checkbox"/> Novice A <input type="checkbox"/> Novice B <input type="checkbox"/> Advanced	<input type="checkbox"/> Novice A <input type="checkbox"/> Novice B <input type="checkbox"/> Advanced	<input type="checkbox"/> Novice A <input type="checkbox"/> Novice B <input type="checkbox"/> Advanced <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Novice A <input type="checkbox"/> Novice B <input type="checkbox"/> Advanced <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	

# of classes entered \_\_\_\_\_ x \$25 = \_\_\_\_\_ (Total Due) \_\_\_\_\_

**Trial Secretary will add a \$30.00 collection fee to the amount of each returned check.**

AKC Registered Name		Registration Number	
		<input type="checkbox"/> AKC/PAL/ILP/CP <input type="checkbox"/> 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):	

Fields marked in blue are REQUIRED.

Fields marked in gray must be completed if the information is known.

\*\*\*Be sure to read the Agreement and sign on the reverse. No 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](http://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 ENTRY, 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.

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## INSTRUCTIONS

Please check the box for each class desired to be entered. Dogs may enter either the Novice "A" class or the Novice "B" class—not both.

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

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

**Phone #:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**In case of emergency – Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone #:** \_\_\_\_\_

Send worker slip to Sandy Roth at [fanfaredogs@gmail.com](mailto:fanfaredogs@gmail.com)  
(DO NOT SEND WITH ENTRY)

## MNDTC SCENT WORK TRIAL VOLUNTEER!

Successful scent work trials depend on worker/volunteers! Please consider helping out when you and your dog are not competing.

I will help as a:  Gate Steward  Box Steward  Timer  
 Hot Box Steward  
 Cold Box Steward  Score Runner

Classes entered in:  Container = A B Adv (circle)  
 Interior = A B Adv (circle)  
 Exterior = A B Adv Exc (circle)  
 Buried = A B Adv Exc (circle)

Trial 1  Trial 2  Both

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_