

Performance Scent Dogs Trial in Pittsfield MA

Saturday October 14, 2017

Premium List “Sniffin’ in the Berkshires”



Step In Time
Training, LLC



Hosted by

Step In Time Training LLC and the Berkshire Sniffers

Trial Location:

4H Fairgrounds, Utility Drive, Pittsfield, MA

Doors open: 8am; Judges briefing: 8:30am; First dog on the line: 9am
Trial will take place indoors and outdoors.

****NOTE: This is prime tourist season in the Berkshires so make your B+B or motel reservations early**

Target Odor Tests:

Birch, Anise and Clove

Trial Classes Offered:

Buildings, Exteriors, Speed, Distance, and Containers – a bonus Novice Distance class and a bonus Advanced Exterior is also offered!

Levels Offered:

Novice and Advanced

Divisions Offered:

Standard, Metallic, and FEO

TOT and Class Entry Fees: \$10 per TOT; \$20 per run

NOTE: Competitors can enter no more than 6 classes and 3 TOTs with one dog. At this trial, a handler can run multiple dogs in TOTs and can run up to two dogs in all Novice classes; handlers may only run one dog in the Advanced classes. In the Novice class, a third dog may run FEO; in the Advanced class, a second or third dog may run FEO. *We will award teams Q'ing in 6 classes with the “Iron Nose” Award.*

Trial Judges: Kristen Bartoli and Jason Thomas

Entry open date: August 9, 2017

Entry close date: October 9, 2017 or when classes fill. Entries are limited and accepted on a first received basis until classes fill. We will have **Day of Show** entries if we do not fill: please contact the Trial Secretary the week of the trial.

Run order will be announced with FINAL entry confirmation email.

Performance Scent Dogs is a national scent work non-profit organization dedicated to growing the sport of scent detection.

Permission has been granted by Performance Scent Dogs, Inc. for the holding of this Scent Work Event under PSD Rules and Regulations.

The PSD Rulebook can be found at www.performancescentdogs.com

Please review it before entering and trialing.

Fun Facts about PSD

Pick and choose what classes are right for your dog

Videotaping allowed Earn legs toward titles* Competitor feedback encouraged *Watch and root for other competitors* Turn any search at any time into training by asking the judge the location of the hide* Enter more than one dog*

Spend time with your dog in a welcoming atmosphere

»Spread the word about what an amazing activity scent work is for all kinds of dogs«

Come and have FUN with your dog!

Who can compete in a trial? Any and all dogs that are 10 months or older, on the day of the trial or the Target Odor Test (TOT), are eligible to compete. All Dogs must have their current Rabies Vaccination and other vaccinations recommended by your veterinarian.

Do I Need to Register with PSD? PSD registers dogs not people. A \$30 registration fee is good for the lifetime of the dog and can be done instantly on-line.

What if I don't pass the TOT? You can still play!! Dogs must pass a Target Odor Test (TOT) in order to compete in the Standard Division, however if you do not pass you are still allowed to enter the trial as FEO (For Exhibition Only) for the day.

My dog has a Nose Work title from a different organization, do I have to pass a TOT? If you already have passed an odor test in another scent work organization, you do not have to take the TOT. Dogs with a NW3, SDDA Excellent or UKC Level 5 title may skip the Novice level and start PSD at the Advanced level. Please send a copy of your test results to info@performancescentdogs.com in order to register.

Can I watch other competitors? Yes you can watch, either after you run or you can watch a different level compete.

Can my friend videotape my searches? Yes! And you may post them anywhere you like.

Awards: Rosette placement ribbons will be awarded for 1st-3rd place. Rosettes will be awarded for all New Titles. Ribbons will be awarded for Q's in all classes, including TOT's. A special "Iron Nose" award will be awarded for teams q'ing in all 6 classes entered. The "Iron Nose" is fun and meaningful, but it is also important that we respect the individual capabilities and stamina of our dogs. Note: Dogs do not have to compete in all six classes to participate in the trial.

Fees: TOTs and Classes: TOTs @\$10; Class Entries @\$20

To register your dogs: Please visit www.performancescentdogs.com or mail your \$30.00 registration fee (per dog) payable to Performance Scent Dogs. Please include your information (Name, Address, Email, Phone) as well as your dog's information (Name, Breed, date of dog birth). **Performance Scent Dogs, Inc. PO Box 401026 Cambridge, MA 02140**

You can register for this trial online at www.performancescentdogs.com or complete this registration form and mail it to the Trial Secretary, Mr. Moy Wong, along with your payment made payable to **Peg Munves**. Entries are on a first-received basis and must be received by **October 9, 2017**. **All pre-trial entry fees must be received by October 9, 2017. If your payment is not received at this time, we may give your entry to another competitor on the waitlist.**

Trial Chair

Peg Munves
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518 794 8149

Trial Secretary

Mr. Moy Wong
PO Box 129
New Lebanon NY 12125
moy@panix.com
518 794 8149

Volunteer Coordinator

Mary Ellen Sheedy
agilitynorfolk@gmail.com
518 649 5190

Please make checks payable to Peg Munves *Do not make checks payable to PSD*****

Collars Any collar is allowed on the grounds except scent spraying collars, choke collars and ecollars. Only a flat or martingale collar, harness, or leashes attached to a dead ring, are permitted to be used during a search. No tags on collars while searching. All dogs must be leashed at all times, except during an off-leash search. **Flexi leashes allowed during searches only.** ***Please pay attention to spatial needs of other dog teams. You must remain vigilant so all teams may have a pleasant experience.

Crating Dogs will work out of their cars; bring shade and lots of water

Parking Huge parking area. Please watch for cone or signs indicating an area is off limits for parking: it may be a search area. There will be designated parking for Dogs In Need Of Space (DINOS).

Spectators are invited to come and watch.

Volunteers will help our Trial run smoothly. Contact Mary Ellen Sheedy agilitynorfolk@gmail.com or call her at 518 649 5190 to sign up for volunteering: We need Timers, Gate Stewards, Score Runners, and Others. No Experience Required! No need to give up a day of trialing: volunteers get to run first in their class. Thanks in advance for your help. Lunch will be provided to those that volunteer.

Donations Step in Time Training LLC and the Berkshire Sniffers is supporting *Animals For Adoption* in Ulster County NY. The Animals for Adoption shelter provides an innovative, low stress environment for sheltered animals. Dogs are kept in their own rooms complete with furniture, toys, and bedding. They listen to music and are handled and played with every day. Animals for Adoption's involvement goes on even after an animal is adopted, providing lifelong behavioral help and free training. Cash, or check made out to Animals for Adoption, accepted.

Food Snacks will be provided to all and lunch will be provided to those that volunteer. We recommend you bring your lunch. The trial site is close to several food options in Lenox, MA.

Facility, Bathrooms and Water Water and toilets available on site.

Accessibility No stairs or steps. Email the Trial Secretary for more information.

Dogs In Need of Space The site has plenty of parking and places to walk dogs at a distance of 10 feet or more. There is a single entrance and exit for interior searches that could be congested. Volunteers will be on site to help escort participants to and from the search area. Red bandanas are not required, however please give **all** dogs space.

Handler running multiple dogs A handler can run multiple dogs in TOTs at any trial/match. At this trial, a handler may run up to two dogs in the Novice Classes. Handlers may run only one dog in the Advanced classes.

Notice to Exhibitors:

- Exhibitors are responsible for complete, accurate and legible information on their entry forms.
- It is expressly understood that exhibitors alone are responsible for behavior of their dogs, children and/or guests. Any exhibitor whose dogs, children and/or guests 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 on any entry will be made.
- Please be courteous and pick up after your dog. If you don't pick up after your dog, you will be asked to leave the trial site. In such case, no refund on any entry will be made.
- All dogs must be on leash at all times except when allowable at the search site.
- Exhibitors are responsible for being in the staging area when it is their turn to run.
- All entries must be accompanied by entry fees to be valid. A declined payment or returned check does not constitute a valid entry. There will be a \$50.00 fee for any returned check or payment.
- Checks are made payable to Peg Munves
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NO REFUNDS WILL BE ISSUED AFTER CLOSING October 9, 2017

24h Emergency Vet

Capital District Veterinary Referral Hospital
222 Troy Schenectady Road (Rt. 2)
Latham, NY 12110; 518 785 1094 – about 40 miles away

Dog Friendly Hotels: We have made no arrangements with any hotel. Please contact the hotel directly to confirm their policy. **The Inn at Shaker Mill Farm; 40 Cherry Lane; Canaan, NY 12029; (518) 794-9345; www.shakermillfalls.com; Heart Of the Berkshires Motel; 970 W Housatonic St, Pittsfield, MA 01201; Phone: (413) 443-1255; Hitchcock House B+B; 14163 NY-22, New Lebanon, NY 12125; Phone: (518) 794-8826, <http://hitchcockhousebb.com/>**

**Performance Scent Dogs Sanctioned Trial
Hosted by Step In Time Training/Berkshire Sniffers
Oct 14, 2017**

ONE DOG PER REGISTRATION FORM
PLEASE!

Owner						
Handler						
Address						
City			State		Zip	
Email						
Phone						
Emergency Contact						
Dogs Call Name						
Breed				Sex		
PSD Registration #						

Target Odor Tests (TOT)						
Odor		Birch (\$10)		Anise (\$10)		Clove (\$10)
Entry						
						Total \$ TOT

Trial Classes Offered (choose a level and a division)

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				(\$20 ea)		(\$20 ea)		
Buildings								
Distance								
Speed								
Exteriors								
Containers								
Nov. Distance (2)								
Adv. Exterior (2)								
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						Total Entry Fees:		

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Division Information:

FEO = For Exhibition Only; Standard = Competing for your title

Metallic = Already received title and competing for Metallic Awards

Entry must be received by October 9, 2017 – One entry form per dog PLEASE

Checks made out to: Peg Munves; Please mail to: Trial Secretary – Mr. Moy Wong;

PO Box 129; New Lebanon NY 12125

Release of Liability

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 Performance Scent Dogs sanctioned trial, I (we) agree to abide by the rules and regulations of Performance Scent Dogs, Inc. in effect at the time of this event, and by any additional rules and regulations appearing in the rulebook dated March 2016 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 Performance Scent Dogs, Inc. 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 Performance Scent Dogs, Inc., The Step In Time Training LLC, their members, directors, governors, officers, agents, 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 afore-mentioned 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 a fore mentioned 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.

Waiver of Rights to Privacy, Publicity & Personality

In consideration of this entry, I hereby grant to Performance Scent Dogs, Inc. and Step In Time 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.

Signature: _____

Date: _____