

**Performance Scent Dogs Trial in Springfield, TN
Saturday and Sunday April 24 and 25, 2021**

Spring into Scentwork



Hosted by

K-9 Scent Crew

Trial Location:

Robertson County Fairgrounds
4635 Highway 41 North
Springfield, TN 37172

Doors open: 8:00 am; **1st dog on the line:** 8:30 am
Trial will take place indoors and outdoors.

Target Odor Test:

Birch, Anise and Clove- (both days)

Trial Classes/Levels Offered:

Saturday- Novice- Buildings/Containers/Distance/Exteriors/Speed
Advanced- Buildings/Containers/Distance/Exteriors/Speed
Sunday- Advanced- Buildings/Containers/Distance/Speed
Excellent- Buildings/Containers/Distance/Exteriors/Speed

Divisions Offered:

FEO, Standard and Metallic

We will only be accepting online entries for this trial. You can pay with a credit card or choose the "Pay Later" option and mail a check.

Entry Fees: \$15 TOT / \$20 Classes

Trial Judge: Joyce Shorter (Ashland City, TN)

Entry open date: March 14, 2021 (7:00 PM CST)

Entry close date: April 10, 2021 (8:00 PM CST)

Entries are very limited and will be accepted on a first received basis until classes fill.

Day of Show entries accepted if runs are still available (\$25 per run / \$20 TOT)

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

Cancellations/Move-Ups/Changes/Refunds:

- Cancellations received on or before April 10, 2021, full refund.
- Cancellations received on or after April 11, 2021, there is **NO** refund. (see COVID Guidelines below for more information)
- If you earn a title in the entered class before this trial, please contact the trial secretary no later than April 19, 2021, in writing via email for move-ups.
- Next day move-ups will not be available for this trial due to the schedule of levels/classes being offered **EXCEPT for those entered in Advanced on both Saturday and Sunday**. If an Advanced competitor is entered in an Advanced class on Sunday that they title in on Saturday, they can move up to Excellent on Sunday. Also, please remember that **you cannot enter a level for which the dog is not yet qualified in anticipation of earning a title and moving up.**

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 * Earn legs toward titles * Competitor feedback encouraged * 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, UKC Level 5 or AKC Excellent overall 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.](mailto:info@performancescentdogs.com)

Can I watch other competitors? Due to COVID, spectators will not be allowed at this trial.

Can my friend videotape my searches? Due to COVID, videotaping will not be allowed at this trial. However, permission has been granted for handlers to use a Go Pro or similar device during their searches.

Awards: Rosette placement ribbons will be awarded for 1st - 3rd place in the Standard division. Placement ribbons will also be awarded for 1st – 3rd place in the Metallic division. Ribbons will be awarded for Q's in all classes, including TOT's. Title ribbons will also be available in both the Standard and Metallic divisions.

Iron Nose Award: We will be offering an "Iron Nose Award". On Saturday, it will be awarded to those dogs who qualify in all (5) classes offered no matter the level. On Sunday, it will be awarded to those "Advanced only" dogs who enter/qualify in all (4) Advanced classes and to those "Excellent only" dogs who enter/qualify in all Excellent classes (5) being offered. Dogs who are qualified to enter a combination of both Advanced & Excellent classes on Sunday must qualify in all classes offered in which they are eligible to enter. It could be (4) or (5) classes depending on eligibility of levels/classes. For example, Excellent Buildings, Advanced Containers, Advanced Distance and Advanced Speed (4 classes) or Advanced Buildings, Advanced Containers, Advanced Distance, Excellent Exteriors and Advanced Speed (5).

Perfect Weekend Award: We will not be offering this award at this trial.

Fees: TOTs: \$15.00 / Classes: \$20.00 / "Day of" (if any open spots): TOTs: \$20.00 / Classes: \$25.00

Facebook Group: A Facebook group will be created specifically for this trial to post important information. The judge's debriefings will also be posted in the group. You will receive more details via email.

General/Judge's Briefing: There will be no in-person briefings due to COVID. The briefings will be sent via email and will be also be posted in the Facebook group on Friday (04/23) evening after the final walkthrough with the judge.

Ribbons/Awards: There will be no in-person ribbon ceremony due to COVID. The process for picking up ribbons/awards will be detailed in the final confirmation email.

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**

All entries for this trial must be made online at www.performancescentdogs.com. After entering online you may choose to mail a check instead of paying online by credit card by choosing the "Pay Later" option. Please mail the checks to the trial secretary listed below. Please note that each day is considered a separate trial. To enter both days you will have to click on the link for the individual dates and enter each day separately. If paying by credit card instead of check, you will be charged for each day in a separate transaction. **If you are redeeming worker bucks or a raffle free run, please use the pay later option and refer to when you earned it or enclose the email with your entry.**

Trial Secretary

Maddie Hutcheson

Address: 165 Trivett Drive, Portland, TN 37148

Email address: luvmypet@bellsouth.net

Please make checks payable to K-9 Scent Crew. *Do not make checks payable to PSD*****

Collars: Any collar is allowed on the grounds except scent spraying collars. Only a flat, or martingale collar or leashes attached to a dead ring or harness 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.

Crating: Indoor crating will not be available at this trial. The parking lot is not shaded so please make sure you bring fans, shade cloths, etc. to keep your dogs cool & comfortable. If the weather is cold, bring what you need to keep you and your dog warm in the vehicle. Dogs must be crated or kept comfortably in your vehicle while not running or pottyng.

Parking: There will be signs and/or someone to direct you to the parking area. Please watch for cones or signs indicating an area is off limits for parking-it may be a search area.

Arrival Times: Competitors that are participating in only Novice and/or Novice and Advanced on Saturday and in only Advanced and/or Advanced and Excellent on Sunday can arrive starting at 8:00 am. For competitors only entered in Advanced on Saturday or only entered in Excellent on Sunday, arrival times will be sent out in the final confirmation email. Due to COVID restrictions, we ask that once handlers have finished all of their searches for the day and received their results/ribbons/awards, that they leave the fairgrounds.

Spectators are not permitted at this trial due to COVID. We ask that only handlers who are entered and running a dog attend. Please do not bring any extra spectators to the fairgrounds.

Donations: Unfortunately, due to COVID, there will be no raffle baskets at this trial.

Food: There will be no food available at the trial site. Due to COVID, sharing of food in the parking lot is discouraged. There are a number of fast-food restaurants located within a 10 minute drive of the trial site for lunch or you may want to bring your own if you are entered in both levels that day.

Facility, Bathrooms and Water: The facility is climate controlled with indoor bathrooms. There is no smoking allowed at this facility, including e-cigarettes and no alcohol allowed on the premises. Please make sure to pick up after your dogs.

Trial Site: Please do not visit or contact the trial site prior to the trial date. Also, no training should take place at the trial location.

Accessibility: There will be steps and a ramp for entry into the building. Email the TS 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. Red bandanas are encouraged - *please give all dogs space.*

Dogs in Season: Females in season may participate wearing appropriate britches at all times except in the toileting areas. Females in season will run after the last dog in each search area. Handlers must notify the club as soon as possible so accommodations may be made for toileting areas and run order adjustments.

Handler running multiple dogs: A handler can run multiple dogs in TOTs at any trial/match. At this trial, a handler may only run one dog in each class. A second or third dog can run FEO or in a different class.

**24h Emergency Vet
Nashville Veterinary Specialists
2971 Sidco Drive
Nashville, TN 37204
(615) 386-0107**

****IMPORTANT COVID GUIDELINES/INFORMATION****

****FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH ANY OF THE BELOW LISTED COVID REQUIREMENTS COULD RESULT IN BEING ASKED TO LEAVE THE TRIAL WITHOUT A REFUND****

- **Masks will be required to be worn at ALL times while on the Robertson County Fairgrounds property.** Face shields and neck gaiters will not be permitted. Face shields

will only be allowed if a mask is also worn underneath the shield. **Masks may only be removed while you are sitting in your personal vehicle.**

- Social Distancing requirements are mandatory. There is no option to mutually consent to be closer together than 6'. Please be respectful that your proximity or request for proximity may make others uncomfortable. If everyone does not adhere to social distancing, we could lose use of the facility.
- **If you are not feeling well, please stay home. Contact the trial secretary and you will be given a refund for each day you are absent. People who are visibly sick and attend the trial will be asked to leave with no refund.**
- Once you arrive at the trial site, you will be asked to sign an additional COVID waiver.
- Please bring your own hand sanitizer/disinfectant and clean your hands frequently.

Dog Friendly Hotels

We have made no arrangements with any hotel. Please contact the hotel directly to confirm their pet policy. Please make sure to pick up after your dog(s).

- **Holiday Inn Express** (13.5 miles/21 minutes from trial site)
206 Knight Circle
White House, TN 37188
888-675-8872
- **Quality Inn** (13.5 miles/20 minutes from trial site)
354 Hester Drive
White House, TN 37188
615-672-7000
- **Motel 6** (13.5 miles/20 minutes from trial site)
340 Hester Drive
White House, TN 37188
888-673-2059
- **La Quinta Inn** (17.8 miles/29 minutes from trial site)
120 South Cartwright Circle
Goodlettsville, TN 37072
615-851-1891

Release of Liability Waiver

Owner/Handler Name (please print): _____

Dog's(s) Name(s)- _____

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., K-9 Scent Crew, Inc., 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 afore 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 K-9 Scent Crew, Inc., 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: _____