

**ENTRY METHOD: FIRST RECEIVED**  
**Entries Open: May 14, 2024 10:00 AM**  
**Entries Close: June 11, 2024 10:00 PM**

Overnight or certified mail must be sent as "No Signature Required." Envelopes containing entries for more than ten (10) dogs 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 be considered invalid.

## **PREMIUM LIST**



## **NITA-NEE KENNEL CLUB** *Licensed by the American Kennel Club*



Trial held at:

**BALD EAGLE AREA HIGH SCHOOL**  
751 Eagle Valley Rd., Wingate, PA 16823

**Saturday and Sunday, June 22 & 23, 2024**

Event #2024002604, 2024002608, 2024002609 and 2024002625

Runs are Concurrent

Judges Diane Quirk and Joyce Smuda

**Entry Limit: 8 hours per judge**

Trial to be held Indoors and Outdoor

Trial Hours: 7:00 AM to 6:00 PM Eastern Daylight Time

Check-in starts at 7:30 AM

General Briefing at 8:00 AM, first dog to follow

**Offering:**

**Saturday: 2 Trials of Container for all levels**  
**Exterior Excellent and Novice A & B**

**Sunday: 2 Trials of Interior for all levels**  
**Exterior Masters and Advanced**



**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, Secretary

**OFFICERS OF NITA-NEE KENNELCLUB**

President..... Trish Alexander  
Vice President..... Lynn Klees  
Treasurer..... Michele Marini  
Corresponding Secretary ..... Linda Neff: 125 Camino Del Sol, Howard PA 16841  
Recording Secretary .....Linda Klimczyk

**TRIAL CHAIRS AND SECRETARY**

Trial Chair: Lynn Klees, 174 Claremont Ave., State College, PA 16801  
Co-Chair: Karen Keller  
Trial Secretary: Cyndi Kepner, [ckrotteez@comcast.net](mailto:ckrotteez@comcast.net), 118 School Street, Burnham, PA 17009

**EVENT COMMITTEE**

Karen Keller, Kerrie Laird, Missy Isett, Sue Williams, Cheryl Fugate, Patty Sullivan, Cindy Lorenzo and members of the Nita-Nee Kennel Club

**JUDGES AND ASSIGNMENTS - Tentative Running Order**

<b>Diane Quirk #11070</b> Carlisle, PA	<b>Joyce Smuda #102474</b> Spring City, PA
<b>SATURDAY 8:00 Briefing</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> dog to follow Exterior Excellent – T1 (event # 08) Container Excellent - T1 (event # 08) Container Excellent – T2 (event # 09) Container Advanced -T1 (event # 08) Container Advanced – T2 (event # 09)	<b>SATURDAY 8:00 Briefing</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> dog to follow Exterior Novice – T1 (event # 08) Container Novice – T1 (event # 08) Container Novice – T2 (event # 09) Container Masters – T1 (event # 08) Container Masters – T2 (event # 09)
<b>SUNDAY 8:00 Briefing</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> dog to follow Exterior Advanced – T1 (event # 04) Interior Advanced – T1 (event # 04) Interior Advanced – T2 (event # 25) Interior Excellent – T1 (event # 04) Interior Excellent – T2 (event # 25)	<b>SUNDAY 8:00 Briefing</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> dog to follow Exterior Masters – T1 (event # 04) Interior Masters – T1 (event # 04) Interior Masters – T2 (event # 25) Interior Novice – T1 (event # 04) Interior Novice – T2 (event # 25)

**VETERINARY ON CALL SERVICES**

Central PA Veterinary Emergency Treatment Services 1522 Martin St., State College, PA 16803 814-237-4670 Open 24 Hours	VCA Metzger Animal Hospital 1044 Benner Pike, State College, PA 16803 814-237-5333 Evenings & Weekends
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**Emergency Services:  
Fire/ Ambulance/ Police Call 911**

## DOGS ELIGIBLE TO ENTER

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

Dogs with physical challenges (including amputees) are eligible to participate provided that, in the opinion of the judge, they display 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. 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.

## CLASS ELIGIBILITY – NOVICE A & B

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**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.

## HANDLING MORE THAN ONE DOG

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Handlers may not handle more than one dog in each class (WITH THE EXCEPTION OF HANDLER DISCRIMINATION CLASSES when offered). Multiple dogs for the same owner may be entered in the same class, provided they are run by different handlers.

## ENTRY FEES

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An entry 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.

**Novice, Advanced, Excellent and Masters ... \$26.00**

Make checks payable to **NNKC**

Mail to: Cyndi Kepner, 118 School Street, Burnham, PA 17009

No entries will be accepted by phone, email or fax. Express mail entries must not be marked "signature required" therefore allowing them to be left at the secretary's address. Inquiries may be directed to Cyndi Kepner at [ckrotteez@comcast.net](mailto:ckrotteez@comcast.net). No entry shall be made or 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. The Club will add a \$35.00 collection fee to the amount of each returned check.

**MOVE-UPS** prior for the Saturday / Sunday trials must be received in writing by the Trial Secretary no later than Tuesday, June 18, 2024 at 10:00 am. Emails are acceptable, NO VERBALS, or Texts. Move-ups will be permitted from Trial 1 to Trial 2 provided Q is earned in T1 and dog was originally entered before closing in T2 for that element.

## WAIT LIST INFORMATION

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Nita-Nee Kennel Club will place a maximum of 12 entries on the wait list. All entries, including wait list entries, must be received by the Secretary by closing, May 7, 2024 at 10:00 PM EST. The wait list will be maintained through Tuesday, **June 18, 2024 at 10:00 AM EST**. If a withdrawn entry is replaced by a wait listed entry, a refund will be issued for the withdrawn entry. Payment/checks received for a wait listed entry that do not move off the wait list to the trial will be shredded by the trial secretary.

## REFUNDS

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**NO 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.

**BITCHES IN SEASON** will be awarded a refund, less \$3.00/run processing fee. Notification in writing (including a veterinarian's certificate) 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. Notifications in writing can be emailed to the TS if not attending the trial but must still be received 30 minutes prior to the start of the first class.

**INJURED DOGS OR HANDLERS** will be awarded a refund less \$7.00/run with a veterinary / physician's certificate. Physician's Certificate should be mailed or emailed to the trial secretary prior to trial, or personally presented to trial secretary prior to the commencing of judging.

**TRIAL SECRETARY** will not be held responsible for entries or changes not received at all or not received by any deadline. It is the exhibitor's responsibility to follow up on any correspondence with the Trial Secretary before any deadline date. If you do not get an email reply from the Trial Secretary, it most likely means she did not get your correspondence and you need to try to contact her again using an alternative form of communication.

## RIBBONS, AWARDS AND PRIZES

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Placement ribbons will be awarded in each class as follows:

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

A **New Title ribbon** is available to dog and handler teams finishing a title.

### RESULTS AND RIBBONS

Results will be posted.

Ribbons are self-service inside the building.

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

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

## STAGING AREA, HANDLERS' BRIEFING AND WARM UP AREA

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**STAGING AREA:** The staging area will be out of view of search area(s). Staging area will include warm-up area, waiting area, gate boards for checks-ins, Trial Secretary scoring area and posting of running order and results.

**HANDLERS BRIEFING:** The handlers 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 Handlers' 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 the Handlers' Briefing.

**WARM-UP AREA:** The warm-up area will have one labelled container per target odor being used in the trial on that day and will be placed in the designated 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.

## SEARCH AREA AND RING CONDITIONS

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Search areas may be of any shape and of the size specified in the Regulations for each class. Searches may be indoors, on matted, carpeted, concrete 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

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**TRIAL SITE:** It is not appropriate to scout 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.

**POSSESSION OF ODORS AND TRAINING:** Chapter 5, Section 35 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."

**SPECTATORS:** Spectators are encouraged. Any person not handling a dog in the current class, or any person who has already completed their run in the class may choose to watch the search from the spectator area. Handlers may not watch other exhibitors from their class prior to their run except in the case of Handler Discrimination classes. No one outside the search area may assist the handler or disclose the location of the hide.

**CRATING SPACE:** Exhibitors will work from their cars. Limited space will be offered to club volunteers. Nita-Nee Kennel Club is not responsible for lost or damaged items left at the show site.

**CLEAN-UP:** 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. Disposal sites will be available on the show grounds.

**FOOD:** The Nita-Nee Kennel club is taking advanced orders for lunch on the attached order form. Return form with separate check made payable to Patty Sullivan.

## NOTICE TO EXHIBITORS

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**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 Nita-Nee Kennel 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. Nita-Nee Kennel 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 Nita-Nee Kennel Club or any official thereof.

**COLLARS, LEASHES AND HARNESSSES:** 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.

**DOGS MUST BE ON LEASH AT ALL TIMES.** 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.

**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:** Exhibitors must check-in for each class each day they are entered.

## HOTEL INFORMATION

CALL AHEAD TO VERIFY PET POLICIES AND FEES

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**Recommended:**

**Days Inn Penn State** -- 1274 N. Atherton (Business Rt. 322), State College, PA 16801 (814) 234-1600. Ask for Nita-Nee Kennel Club room block for \$119 per night plus tax and \$25 pet fee.

## CAMPING

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**Bald Eagle State Park** – Along PA 150 between Milesburg and Lock Haven, 6.6 miles (8 minutes) from the show site, 888-727-2757

**Fort Bellefonte Campground**, 2023 Jacksonville Rd., Bellefonte, 7.2 miles (9 minutes) from the show site, cabins available, 814-355-9820

**KOA Campground**, 2481 Jacksonville Rd., Bellefonte, PA, 8.3 miles (11 minutes) from the show site, cabins available, 814-355-7912.

## **DIRECTIONS TO THE SHOW SITE**

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**FROM 322W:** Follow 322 W over the mountain and use the 2nd Exit for Rt 144 N. Follow 144 N to Pleasant Gap. Take a right on to Rt 26 N and follow signs to I-80 W. Take I-80 W and use Exit 158 to merge onto PA-150 S / US 0220 ALT S. The Bald Eagle School is on your right before the light at Sheetz.

**From I 80:** Take Exit 158, turn right onto US-220 ALT S. The Bald Eagle School is on your right.

**From I 99:** Take Exit 61 to US 220 ALT/N High St., Port Matilda. At the light turn left to US 220 ALT N. for 16 miles, then at the light at SHEETZ, continue straight. The school will be on your left.

## **WORKERS**

**Worker Boards will be available at the trial for each judge's schedule of classes.**

**Please sign up to work the classes you are available for.**

**The Nita-Nee Kennel Club thanks you in advance  
for your help  
to keep our trial running efficiently.**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

**LUNCH ORDER**  
**June 22, 2024 and**  
**June 23, 2024**

**NNKC Trial at**  
**Bald Eagle Area High School**

**Lunch is \$10 each day**

Includes choice of sandwich, and sides

Self-Serve Sides include:

Chips, Fruit, Cookie

Choose one sandwich: (circle)

Saturday, June 22	Ham/Cheese Sandwich or Turkey Sandwich
Sunday, June 23	Ham/Cheese Sandwich or Turkey Sandwich

**Make check payable to Patty Sullivan**  
Mail this form and check with your entry.



**AKC Official Entry Form – AKC Scent Work Entry Form**



**Entry fee: \$26 / run**

*Please write separate check for each dog*

**CHECKS PAYABLE: NNKC**

Send to Cyndi Kepner  
118 School St.  
Burnham, PA 17009

Opens May 14 @ 10 am / Closes June 11 @ 10 pm

Circle classes to enter	Trial 1			Trial 2	
	Container	Interior	Exterior	Container	Interior
<b>SATURDAY June 22</b>	Novice A Novice B Advanced Excellent Master		Novice A Novice B  Excellent	Novice A Novice B Advanced Excellent Master	
<b>SUNDAY June 23</b>		Novice A Novice B Advanced Excellent Master	Advanced  Master		Novice A Novice B Advanced Excellent Master

**Please write separate check for each dog**

<b>1 Run - \$26</b>	<b>4 Runs - \$104</b>	<b>Total amount enclosed:</b>
<b>2 Runs - \$52</b>	<b>5 Runs - \$130</b>	
<b>3 Runs - \$78</b>	<b>6 Runs - \$156</b>	

***NNKC will add a \$35.00 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 **gray** must be completed if the information is known. (If listed on registration papers, you must list the information on all entry forms.) Fields marked in **blue** are **REQUIRED**.

**\*\*\*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 America 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 or 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 an injury is serious shall be made by the event veterinarian and is binding on me (us). I 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 MSELF (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 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: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency phone: \_\_\_\_\_