For the CAT, each event is limited to 75 dogs. Interest is extremely high and pre-entering gives you the best chance of securing a spot in the trial. See page 6, “NOTE ON ENTRIES,” for further CAT information.

GTCAHC OFFICERS & DIRECTORS
President, Steve Cory; Vice President, Dwayne Sanders; Recording Secretary, Mike Dickenshied; Corresponding Secretary, Mike Quinn; Treasurer Vicki Fagre-Stroetz.

JUDGE(S)
Saturday Judge: Julia Callaghan #101974 - Fridley, MN
Sunday Judge: Amy Getsch #102806 - East Bethel, MN

FIELD COMMITTEE
Field Trial Chair: Pam Ristau, 27072 Platte Lake Lane, Hillman MN. 56338 pjristau@gmail.com, (320)277-3741 or (218) 851-9126 [cell]
Field Trial Secretary: Lorene French, 6921 Dupre Rd., Centerville, MN 55038 lorenefrench@comcast.net, (612) 710-4682
Huntmaster(s): Nate Wattenhofer, Julia Callaghan, Lorene French
Lure Operator(s): Amy Getsch, Nate Wattenhofer, Craig Doyle
Inspection Committee: Pam Ristau, Garth Ristau, Andrea Roth
Paddock: Andrea Roth, Pam Ristau

Due to various circumstances, Committee Members may be substituted as needed.
FIELD HOURS – 7:00 am UNTIL COMPLETION

CLOSE OF ENTRIES
Gate entries will close at NOON on the day of the test, if we have not reached our limit of entries for the day. Please check with the Trial Secretary before driving out if you plan on Gate Entering.

ROLL CALL & INSPECTION
Roll call and inspection will be at 8:00am.[or at your scheduled time to run] We will try to break up inspection times to a morning and an afternoon time so you do not have to spend the entire day on site. We will do a random draw and let you know by email [if pre-entered] if you are in the morning or afternoon session.

Each entry will be inspected for lameness, fitness to compete, and females in season. If in the opinion of the inspection committee, any entry found to be lame, unfit to safely compete, or a female in season, that dog shall not be allowed to enter and entry fees shall be refunded.

There may be a short briefing with instructions and announcements before we begin the afternoon session. Since this is a new field and we do not have a building to gather in, we may just give individual instructions as you arrive, check in, and go through inspection.

ELIGIBILITY
Coursing Ability Tests are open to all dogs at least 12 months of age that are:
• Individually registered with the AKC,
• Recorded in the Foundation Stock Service (FSS) program,
• Individually registered with a foreign or domestic registry organization whose pedigrees are acceptable for AKC registration,
• Dogs granted a Purebred Alternative Listing (PAL) number, dogs with AKC Limited or Conditional Registration. To obtain a PAL number for your dog, please see the enrollment forms at the AKC website at: www.akc.org/reg/ilpex.cfm
• Dogs enrolled in the AKC Canine Partners program. For information on this program please see the AKC website at: www.classic.akc.org/mixedbreeds/listing_info.cfm
• Dogs with breed disqualifications are eligible to enter.
• Females in season may not enter.
• A dog may enter only once per event. (An event is defined by an event number.)
• You are responsible to have your dog’s health records up to date.

THE COURSING ABILITY TEST (CAT)
The Coursing Ability Test (CAT) is a pass/fail event. Dogs run singularly. In order to pass, the dog must complete the course with enthusiasm and without interruption within the maximum amount of time for the course length. The judge keeps the official time and decides the merits of the dog’s performance.

COURSE DISTANCE & QUALIFYING TIMES
Safety of the dogs is of the utmost importance. Dogs will run one of the following course distances:
• 300 yard course for dogs that are shorter than 12 inches at the withers and/or brachycephalic (“flat-faced”). The course must be completed in less than 1-1/2 minutes.
• 600 yard course for all dogs that do not run the 300 yard course. The course must be completed in less than 2 minutes.

If there is a question which course a dog should run, the judge will decide.

RIBBONS
Each dog that passes the test will receive a ribbon that is orange in color.

NEW TITLE MEDALLION
The Greater Twin Cities Afghan Hound Club offers a New Title Medallion when you complete your Coursing Ability Title(s).

Please let the Field Secretary know if your dog is close to earning a new title so we are aware, and we can determine if you earned it at our event.

TITLES
Dogs can earn three titles by passing the Coursing Ability Test the required number of times. These are suffix titles that will appear on a dog’s pedigree with a higher level title superseding a lower level title.
• Coursing Ability (CA) – Awarded to a dog that passes the Coursing Ability Test three times under at least two different judges.
• Coursing Ability Advanced (CAA) - Dog passes the Coursing Ability Test a total of ten times. [CA + 7 additional passes]
• Coursing Ability Excellent (CAX) – Dog passes the Coursing Ability Test a total of 25 times.
• Coursing Ability Excellent 2 (CAX2) – Dog passes the Coursing Ability Test a total of 50 times.
• A higher numbered title will be awarded for every additional twenty five passes.
HOW TO ENTER

HOW TO ENTER THE TRIALS

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**PRE-ENTRY FEE:** $20.00 first dog per event, $18.00, additional dogs same owner, same household.

**GATE ENTRY FEE:** $25.00 per dog per event, no discount for additional dogs.

**NOTE ON CAT ENTRY FORMS**

1. Incomplete, unsigned, conditional or unpaid entries CANNOT be accepted, so please complete your entries carefully.

2. If you have questions about how to enter? Contact the Field Secretary

3. Separate entry forms are required for each dog for each event entered.

4. Entries will not be acknowledged by mail.

5. CAT Entry forms are at the back of this Premium List. Fillable (pdf) entry forms are available on the AKC website at:


7. Entry is limited to 75 dogs each day. The first 75 entries received will be accepted. Your running order position will be based on a RANDOM DRAW. An email list will be sent out showing the running order & the approximate time you need to arrive. Please make sure your email address & phone number are legible on your entry forms.

~GTCAHC members’ dogs are guaranteed entry beyond the entry limit~

Greater Twin Cities Afghan Hound Club
www.gtcahc.com
NOTICE TO ALL EXHIBITORS

1. BITCHES IN SEASON AND LAME HOUNDS WILL BE EXCUSED and entry fees shall be refunded.
2. All entries must be one year of age or over on the day of the test/trial.
3. A fee of $25.00 will be assessed for any returned checks.
4. Dogs must be ready for judging. Judges need not wait for dogs holding up a TEST.
5. There will be a $5.00 fine assessed for any loose hound on the field not taking part in course in progress.
6. Battery powered continuous loop equipment will be used including backup equipment.
7. The field committee reserves the right to alter the course depending on the field and other conditions.
8. The Club and/or Test Secretary assume no responsibility for incorrect or incomplete information given on the entry form.
9. The Club and/or the Test Secretary assume no responsibility for injury, or a dog's failure to recall.
10. Any person, upon reasonable complaint, may be asked to leave the grounds by the field committee. Children must be under the control of their parents or guardian at all times.
11. Only the lure operator, huntmaster, judges, and handler of the course in progress will be permitted near the lure operating equipment and on the field.

How the CAT works:

1) Dogs will be brought to the start line on leash and you will be instructed and/or helped by the Huntmaster. Your dog will be released only upon a verbal signal ("Tally-Ho!") from the Huntmaster. Dogs may be released by hand, folded leash, or traditional lure coursing slip lead. We will have a couple of slip leads available to borrow.

2) The Huntmaster will instruct the handler when to "Retrieve your dog" upon completion of the run. The handler is expected to promptly secure the dog and leave the field with the dog on leash.

3) The run is timed from when you release your dog to when you have him back under control. If you are not able to gain control of your dog after their run, you may not pass. This will be up to the judges discretion.

Helpful Information if this is your first time coursing:

It is safest for dogs to run "naked" which means they do not wear a collar. However, (new in 2013) dogs may wear any collar except a choker collar, a collar with prongs or an electronic training collar. The collar should be snug to minimize the chances of getting hung up on something during the run. Owners should be aware that there is a chance that tags hanging from the collar could become entangled on something during the run. Owners may use clips or rubber bands to hold the dog's hair. The owner assumes responsibility for the safety of the dog with regard to the dog's collar and paraphernalia on the dog.

For the safety of the dog and as a courtesy to other exhibitors, your dog should have a reliable recall.

It is strongly recommended that prior to running your dog, you have good recall control over your dog, as the dogs will run off leash.

Handlers should wear comfortable, sturdy shoes (no flip flops) and be physically able to hold and release their dogs, as well as catch them afterwards.

Handlers may carry toys, or small treats to reward and assist with retrieving their dog at the completion of their run. Treats may not be excessive to the point of distracting other dogs. [Do not throw treats into the grass]

Handlers are advised to warm up their dogs prior to their run and walk them for 10 minutes afterwards to cool them down. Give only small quantities of water afterwards in brief intervals. Do not let them gulp large quantities of cold water quickly. We will have cooling pools available to walk your dogs through on hot days. The best way to cool your dogs down is by wetting their feet and walking them until they no longer are panting heavily.

Make sure your dogs have relieved themselves prior to going out on to the field. You are responsible for picking up after your dog, and pick-up bags are available throughout the grounds.

Coursing is a physically demanding sport and can tax a dog's physical strength. Dogs that are old, have breathing or heart problems, are overweight, or are out of condition may be at greater risk for injury and exhaustion. Consult your veterinarian if you have concerns.

Muzzles are not required but are permitted at the handler's discretion.
The Field Committee reserves the right to alter the course plans as needed depending on the condition of the field.

~This is the course plan for Saturday.~
~The course plan will be reversed for Sunday.
FACILITIES, WATER & SHADE
Water, bathrooms, a large shelter/building where dogs can be crated are available. There is very little outdoor shade.

LUNCH, WATER and BEVERAGES
Lunch, water and soft drinks will be available at the Concession Stand.

MOTELS
Please check directly with the motel when making reservations as to their policies regarding pets and extra fees, deposits or credit cards on file.

Regency Inn & Suites, Anoka 763-422-8000, Hwy 10 & Thurston Ave 1129 Hwy 10 West, Anoka, MN, 55303-1562.
Comfort Suites (MN085) 763-792-0750, 10580 Baltimore St. NE, Blaine, MN, 55449.
AmericInn of Elk River 763-441-8554, 17432 Hwy. 10, Elk River, MN 55330.
AmericInn of Rogers 763-428-4346, 21800 Industrial Blvd, Rogers, MN 55374. 

EMERGENCY VET
Affiliated Emergency Veterinary Services
1615 Coon Rapids Blvd NW
Coon Rapids, MN 55433-4739
763-754-9434

Directions to the Field:
Kings Ranch
17151 Baugh Street NW
Ramsey, MN 55303

DRIVING DIRECTIONS
From St. Paul / East Metro: I-694 North to US Highway 10 westbound via EXIT 42B toward ANOKA. Remain on US 10 past Anoka, toward Elk River for a total of about 18 miles. Take the ARMSTRONG BLVD NW/County Road 83 Exit and go north (turn right); stay on that road for 4.3 miles. Turn LEFT onto 173RD AVE NW. Then an immediate left onto Baugh St NW.

From the Minneapolis Metro South, Southeast and Southwest: Take I-94 northbound to US 169 North to US 10 (when you get to Main Street in Anoka continue to go straight across Main Street. You will be on Ferry Street for about 4 blocks until you are at US 10). Turn left on US 10 and go about 4.5 miles. Turn Right on Armstrong Blvd. NW (AKA CR-83) and go about 4.3 miles. Turn Left onto 173rd Avenue NW and then an immediate left onto Baugh St NW.

From the Northeast via I-35: From I-35 southbound take the Wyoming exit (Viking Boulevard) go west on Viking Boulevard. Viking Boulevard crosses State 65 (Central Ave). Remain on Viking, passing through almost all of Anoka County. Beyond the town of Nowthen, look for the intersection with Baugh Street NW. [There is a cemetery on the northwest corner of this intersection]. Turn left (south) on Baugh Street NW. Remain on Baugh for a few miles. Continue past the 4-way stop sign. Just before Baugh curves to the left, jog to the right then immediately to the left, and continue south to the second driveway on the left.

If you have problems finding the field on the day of the event: call the Field Trial Chair at their cell number on page #2.

To fill this entry form out online go to: http://images.akc.org/pdf/LureCoursing_Entry.pdf
Official American Kennel Club Lure Coursing Entry Form

Club: ______________________  Date: ___________  Event #: ___________

Location: ______________________  Event type (test or trial):  □ Test  □ Trial

States: □ JC  □ CAT  □ Special  □ FCAT  □ QC  □ Open  □ Veteran
Breed: ______________________  Amount of entry fees enclosed: $______

Breeder: AKC No.  PAL/ILP No.  Foreign & List Country:  Date of Birth: ___________

Call Name: AKC No.  Sex: ___________

Name of Jr. Handler (if any):  Jr. Handler #: ___________

Full Name of Dog: ______________________

Sire: ______________________

Dam: ______________________

Actual Owner(s): ______________________

Owner's Address: ______________________

City: ______________________  State: ___________  Zip: ___________

Name of Owner's Agent/Handler (if any) at Trail:  □ Please Separate My Entries.

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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 the acceptance of this entry, I (we) agree to abide by the rules and regulations of The American Kennel Club effect at the time of this event, and any additional rules and regulations appearing in the premium list of the event and entry forms 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, the 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 the event and any employee 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 any 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 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 injury, including death at any time resulting therefrom, sustained by any person or persons, including myself (ourselves), or on account of damage to properly, 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 EVENT, 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.

Signature of owner or agent duly authorized to make this entry:

Tel: ___________  Email: ___________

Official American Kennel Club Lure Coursing Entry Form

Club: ______________________  Date: ___________  Event #: ___________

Location: ______________________  Event type (test or trial):  □ Test  □ Trial

States: □ JC  □ CAT  □ Special  □ FCAT  □ QC  □ Open  □ Veteran
Breed: ______________________  Amount of entry fees enclosed: $______

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Call Name: AKC No.  Sex: ___________

Name of Jr. Handler (if any):  Jr. Handler #: ___________

Full Name of Dog: ______________________

Sire: ______________________

Dam: ______________________

Actual Owner(s): ______________________

Owner's Address: ______________________

City: ______________________  State: ___________  Zip: ___________

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