# Caring for the Flock



**Ranch Large Flock Trials** 

Two Trials in One Day!

Sunday November 14, 2021

Hosted by 4 THE DOGS
At Isles of Calais
19393 Spring Lake Drive

Smithfield, VA 23430

## <u>Judges</u>

AM—Teresa Chisman PM—Debbie McCluske

Trial site open 7:00 AM until one hour after trial is completed.

First handler's meeting 8:00 AM

Pre-entries must be received by November 1, 2021.

Runs are limited and we expect to fill quickly

Entry fee for RLF is \$50. PayPal preferred to isleofcalais@gmail.com

Electronic Entry preferred. Scan QR code or copy and past link for entry form.



https://docs.google.com/forms/d/

e/1FAIpQLSe2ucnEHXGsZSbsbZgcVIC0to5oapNEDFC2ESIetZ6Wd9gKQw/viewform

If you prefer to use a paper form, please complete and mail official AHBA entry form

with check payable to 4 THE DOGS to

Cindy Cox, Secretary 1605 Rocky Ford Rd Powhatan, VA 23139

FMI: Cindy.dogs.87@gmail.com 804-387-6494

#### **POLICIES:**

- This trial shall be run under all AHBA rules and regulations.
- All dogs 9 months of age or older may participate in Trials
- Use the official AHBA entry form
- Each individual is responsible for any damage caused by himself, his family or his dog while in the trial arena or on the trial grounds. Livestock replacement costs: Ducks \$75, Goats -350.00, Sheep \$300.00 (IOC retains animal). AHBA, 4 the DOGS, Isles of Calais and all trial workers assume no responsibility for any accident or injury.

FMI: www.ahba-herding.org

- Bitches in season will run last. They should be crated away from trial arenas when not competing. Please let trial secretary know so run order can be adjusted.
- All dogs must be on leash when not competing.
- Entry confirmation will be sent by email; please be sure to include your email address.
- Trial committee will determine run order prior to the trial.
- Entry fees will only be refunded if request is received before pre-entry closing date.
- Outdoor event Rain or shine
- Covid-19: We will comply with CDC, state and local guidelines. The IOC is in no way liable for any present or future COVID-19 exposure incurred at any time by any person, during or after this event.

#### **AWARDS** (including but not limited to)

- Ribbons for all qualifying runs
- 1st 4th flat ribbons for placement
- New Title rosette (tell us if your dog has earned a title!)
- High in Trial rosettes

### **EMERGENCY VETERINARY SERVICES**: Animal Emergency Center

2025 George Washington Mem. Hwy Yorktown, VA 23693 757-234-0461

#### **ACCOMMODATIONS**: (Please check with motels for current pet policy.)

- Econo Lodge, 20080 Brewers Neck Blvd, Carrollton, VA (855)849-1513 4 miles to trial site
- Red Roof Inn, 1925 Coliseum Dr. (I-64 Exit 263B) Hampton, VA (757) 838-1870 or 1-800-843- 7663. 25 min to trial.
- Days Inn Newport News, 14747 Warwick Blvd Newport News VA 855-799-6859. 30 min to trial.
- Limited RV Parking/Camping on site please contact trial secretary if you want to RV camp. Pre-reservations ON-LY. NO hookups, no indoor facilities - port-a-john on-site.
- There are some local parks that allow camping.
- Plenty of SHADED parking on site.

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CARING FOR THE FLOCK

Your 27 sheep are in the high pasture. They may be grazing at the hay bale or just meandering about. Gather all sheep and bring through Gate1. Careful not to lose any in the lake! (For RLF III, the dog and handler both are at Gate 1. For RLF II, the dog is set at the gate and the handler may go halfway to the stock. For RLF I, the dog may be taken to a point halfway between the gate and the stock and the handler may go to within 15 ft. of the stock. Scoring ends when all sheep are through Gate 1.

Move sheep through the paddock, to and through Gate 2 and into the small arena for a visual inspection. Scoring ends when all sheep are in arena.

Move sheep north to south through Panels A then east to west through Panel B, inspecting sheep for lameness or other signs of poor health. RLF III handlers remain at Gate 2 while dog drives sheep through panels. May move to Gate 3 when panels completed. RLF II handlers may move to Panels A and remains there until panels completed. RLF I handlers may move anywhere in the arena to assist their dog but are discouraged from walking through the panels. Scoring ends when handler begins sort.

You have identified 9 sheep that need medication. Sort them through Gate 3 and take them across the bridge. RLF III handlers must include the ribboned sheep in this group. Scoring ends when sheep are 10 feet from free-standing pen.

Pen these 9 sheep and medicate (simulation-touch head) (remove ribbon in RLF III). Scoring ends when task completed.

You have 9 other sheep that appear to need the foot bath. Sort them through Gate 3 and take them across the bridge. Scoring ends when sheep are 10 feet from barn stall.

Pen these 9 sheep in a barn stall. Scoring ends when barn stall is closed.

The remaining 9 sheep appear healthy. Remove them from small arena through Gate 3 and exit them through Gate 4 into the alleyway. Scoring ends when Gate 4 is closed.

Regroup the sheep from the pen and the barn stall and take all 18 through the footbath. RLF III handlers and RLF II handlers must remain behind their handlers lines until sheep exit the foot bath. RLF I handlers may move to the opening of the corner chute. Scoring ends when sheep exit the corner chute.

Exit these 18 sheep through Gate 4 into the alleyway. All finished and a job well done! Scoring ends when Gate 4 is closed.

RLF I and II 30 minutes. RLF III 35 minutes

Tie-breaking elements: (1) gather, (2) sort work, (3) time

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