

Great River Stockdog Club AHBA Arena Trial

THURSDAY, July 4, 2024

AHBA



**American
Herding Breed
Association**

Sanction pending by the American Herding Breed Association (AHBA) to hold the Tests and Trial under the AHBA rules and regulations. Open to all dogs of the herding breeds and multi-purpose breeds with herding background, as listed in the AHBA Breeds List. Dogs must be nine months of age or older on or before date of trial to compete. www.ahba-herding.org

Classes Offered:

*Herding Trial Arena Dog, Course #2
(HTAD I, II & III)
Sheep
(All levels – Take Pen)
(Level III Sheep - Gate Sort)*

**TRAINING CAMP INC./
SEAMAN FARM
25807 MORGAN AVENUE
CHISAGO CITY, MN 55013**

DIRECTIONS

From I-35 go east on MN Hwy 97. Turn left onto Lofton (14.5 miles).
Turn right onto 238th Street (2.5 miles). Turn left onto Morgan (1 mile).
Seaman Farm is on the right (~1 mile).

For more information contact: Jodi Ebert
583-1fataussie@gmail.com or 651-583-1468

JUDGE AND JUDGING SCHEDULE

(subject to change)

JUDGE – Susane Hoffman

SCHEDULE – HTAD Sheep (III, II, I) subject to change if necessary.

Check in/Day of Entries: 11am -11:30 am

Handler's meeting at 1pm with a meeting before each class. Maximum total runs: 20

ENTRIES AND FEES

FEES: \$40.00 per run pre-entry if paid by pre-entry closing date. \$45.00 per run after pre-entries close. Any outstanding entry fees must be paid by 11:30 am of the trial date. **Entries are NOT VALID until entry fees are received.** [Online Entry Form](#). Email Jodi Ebert if you have questions at 1faustaussie@gmail.com

ENTRIES: Pre-entries close June 13 2024. Gate entries (if room) close ½ hour before trial begins.

Checks payable to: Great River Stockdog Club

Mail entry with fee to:

Jodi Ebert
6582 Falstaff Terrace
Woodbury, MN 55125

Questions on entries contact Jodi Ebert: 1faustaussie@gmail.com or 651-583-1468

LIVESTOCK

Sheep: Crossbred wool sheep; \$250.00 value each

Any livestock seriously injured while being worked must be paid for by the participant working stock at that time.

FOOD

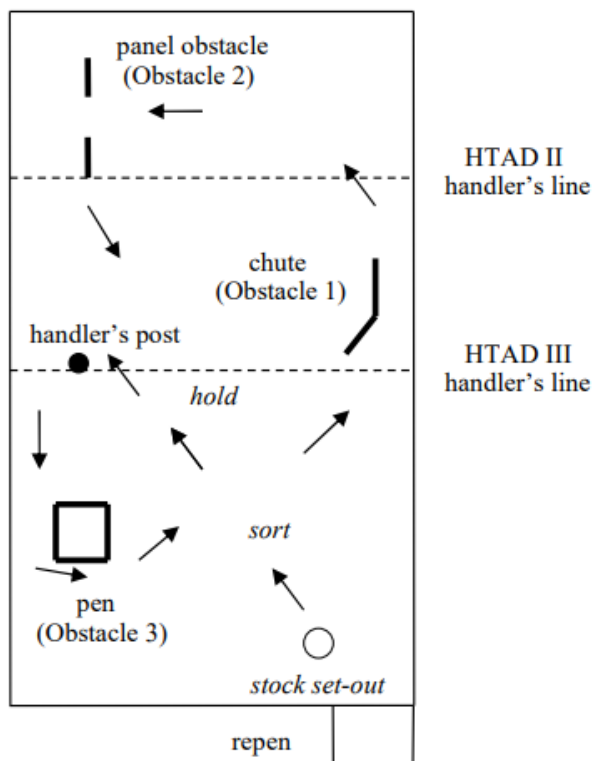
Water will be available.

Please bring your own food.

TEST/TRIAL RULES

1. Bitches in season may run in order.
2. A registration/tracking number is **required** for ALL dogs. If your dog is not registered with another organization (AKC, UKC, ASCA, ABCA, etc.), you must apply for a registration number with AHBA. <http://www.ahba-herding.org>
3. All dogs must be vaccinated for rabies as required by law, vaccinated for other communicable diseases as recommended by your veterinarian, and parasite free.
4. PICK UP AFTER YOUR DOGS. Poop bags and trash cans are located in multiple locations around the farm.
5. All dogs must be on leash or crated except when working or in designated potty areas.
6. There is very little shade around the herding fields. Plan accordingly. (And bring a chair!) Dress appropriately for the weather.
7. Spectators and their dogs should stay back at least 15 feet from the fence around any arena or field where a dog is working. Under no circumstances will dogs be allowed to disturb the resting stock nor interfere with another dog's run.

HTAD COURSE #2



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W + E The designations North, East, etc. are for purposes of description only.
S The course may be mirrored.

The stock set-out indicated on the diagram relates to courses that begin with a gather. The location of the take pen and/or repen may vary from the location for the repen shown on the diagram, so long as it is at the same end of the arena as shown. The handler's post is located a minimum of 100 ft. from the set-out and 20 ft. from the West fence. The freestanding pen is located halfway between the handler's post and the South fence, 20 ft. from the West fence. (A trailer or a free-standing chute may be substituted for the pen.) The opening of the Y chute is located approximately halfway down the length of the arena on the East fence, or a minimum of 100 ft. from the area just in front of the gate of the freestanding pen. The Y chute should be no less than 12 feet long and no more than 4 feet wide with an opening of 12 feet. (A bridge may be substituted for the Y chute.) The panel obstacle is located 20 ft. from the West fence and 30 ft. from the North fence, set parallel to the West fence and with a 12 ft. opening. The freestanding pen should be 8-10 ft. on each side for sheep, 10-16 ft. on each side for cattle. The hold area is located approximately in the center of the arena. The area for sorts other than a gate sort is located approximately halfway between the hold area and the repen gate. For poultry, all dimensions are ½ that for hooved stock.

1. Gather or Take pen

Gather: The stock are let out into the arena and allowed to settle, or may be set out in a specific location; the method used is to be consistent for all runs. In HTAD III, the handler remains at the post while the dog is sent from there to gather the stock. In HTAD II, the handler may leave the dog at the handler's post and move to a point approximately halfway between the post and the stock, then send the dog to gather the stock. In HTAD I, the handler may leave the dog at a point approximately halfway between the post and the stock and move to approximately 15 ft. from the stock, then send the dog to gather the stock. At all three levels the stock are brought to and around the handler's post, on the side between the post and the Y chute. The gather ends when the stock have gone just past the handler's post.

Take pen: HTAD III handlers must remain outside the pen while the dog brings out the stock. HTAD II handlers may enter the pen with the dog but should not move the stock themselves. HTAD I handlers may enter the pen and assist the dog in moving the stock. An exception is made for cattle, where the handler may go in and assist if necessary at any level. If the stock come out on their own volition without the handler or dog entering, there is no penalty. Once the gate to the take pen is opened, it may not be closed until the stock have exited. The stock are then taken to the point on the course where the handler's post would be located for the gather. Scoring for the take pen ends when the stock have reached the point at which the handler's post would be located. The course then proceeds as indicated in the description.

2. Drive

The stock are taken South between the West fence and Obstacle 3, then around the obstacle to the side that is closest to Obstacle 1. Handlers at all levels may accompany the stock to this point. The stock are then driven to Obstacle 1. HTAD III handlers must remain next to the side of Obstacle 3 that is closest to Obstacle 1 while the stock are driven to Obstacle 1. HTAD II handlers may accompany the stock and dog to a point halfway to Obstacle 1, then must remain there for the rest of the drive. HTAD I handlers may accompany the stock up to the entrance of Obstacle 1. The drive ends when the stock reach a point 10 ft. in front of Obstacle 1.

3. Obstacle 1

The stock are taken through the Y chute. HTAD III and II handlers remain at the designated locations until the stock have cleared the Y chute. HTAD I handlers remain at the entrance of the Y chute until the stock have cleared it. Obstacle 1 ends when the stock have cleared the Y chute.

4. Obstacle 2

Upon the stock exiting the Y chute, the stock are taken through the freestanding panels. HTAD III handlers must remain behind a handler's line that runs the width of the arena even with the handler's post until the stock have cleared the panels. HTAD II handlers must stay on the post side of the handler's line (which runs across the width of the arena, even with the outside edge of the panel that is nearest the center of the arena) until the stock have cleared the panels. HTAD I handlers may accompany the stock up to Obstacle 2, but should not precede the stock through the obstacle. Once the stock have gone through the panels, handlers are free to move. The stock are then turned to the left and taken to the pen; Obstacle 2 ends when the stock have cleared the panels.

5. Obstacle 3

The stock are penned in the freestanding pen. Scoring for the pen ends when the pen gate is closed.

6. Hold

The animals are taken to the hold area. The stock is settled and briefly held in place. There is no required position for handler or dog. The judge signals the end of the hold/settle. HTAD I and II handlers then take the stock to the repen. HTAD III handlers proceed with the sort.

7. Sort

The sort is done by HTAD III handlers only. The stock is moved to the designated area, which depends on the type of sort being done. The sort may be one of the following: (a) Gate sort. (b) Ribbon-removal/shed. The sort ends when the gate is closed on the sorted animals, or when the ribbon has been removed/ animals have been shed.

8. Repen

The stock are taken to the repen and held a short distance off the gate while it is opened, and then are repenned. When a gate sort has been used, the animals that had been left out in the arena are repenned. The run ends when the repen gate is closed after the last animal has exited the arena.

ENTRY FORM

Great River Stockdog Club

AHBA Trials

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Fee enclosed: \$ _____

Make checks payable to “**Great River Stockdog Club**”. Mail completed entry form and signed Agreement with fees to:

Jodi Ebert, 6582 Falstaff Terrace, Woodbury, MN 55125

For information on where to complete your entry submission online contact Jodi at 1fastaussie@gmail.com or visit the Great River Stockdog Club page on Facebook.

Entries are \$40/class - if received on or before June 13. \$45/class after that date. Gate entries accepted if room. A separate entry form is necessary for each dog entered.

Full Name of Dog _____ Call Name _____

Registry and Registration Number _____

If a dog doesn't have a number you can obtain a Tracking number from AHBA. www.ahba-herding.org

Breed _____ Date of Birth _____ Sex _____

Breeder _____ Owner _____

Owner Address _____

Owner Phone Number _____ E-Mail _____

Handler's Name, if different from owner _____

Check the box for the classes you want to enter and CIRCLE Level as appropriate.

<u>Day</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Level</u>			<u>Stock</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> Thursday	HTAD	I	II	III	Sheep

In consideration for participation in an event sanctioned by the American Herding Breed Association (AHBA), I agree to assume all responsibility for any claim, loss or damage, of whatever kind or nature, whether to person or property, which may be caused at or near this event, either directly or indirectly, by me or the dog or dogs I have entered in or brought to this event. I further agree that I will hold the AHBA, its officers, directors, agents and members harmless and defend them from any and all liability for any injury, claim, damage or loss, of whatever kind or nature, whether to person or property, caused at or near this event, whether directly or indirectly, by me or any dog I have entered in or brought to this event. I agree to indemnify the AHBA, its officers, directors, agents and members for any loss, cost or expense including attorneys fees and costs, to which the AHBA, its officers, directors, agents or members might be subject as a result of any claim, suit, loss or damage caused in any way by any act or negligence on my part or on the part of any dog or dogs I have entered in or brought to this event. I acknowledge that while the AHBA may provide sanctioning for this event with regard to the issuing of titles, it does not have and does not exercise control over the conduct of the event or those present. I certify and represent that the dog or dogs I have entered in or brought to this event is/are not a hazard to other dogs, other animals, or to people.

Handler or owner signature

Date