



AHBA

Ranch Large Flock and NEW Boundary Trial Dog

July 12/13/14, 2025

AHBA Sanctioned Event:

Ranch Large Flock (RLF)

RLF Limited to 15 runs per day: sheep

Boundary Trial Dog (BTD)

BTD Limited to 15 runs per day: sheep

Junior Herd Dog (JHD) & Junior Boundary Dog (JBD)

Limited to 10 runs per day: sheep

**Judges: Karen Trimble, Ashley Wright, Craig Watson
Barbara Davenport**

Day-of entries accepted starting at 7:30 AM... if there are still openings
Handler's Meeting begins at 8:00 AM

Mark your calendars! 2025 AHBA Trials

July 18-20

Oct 24-26

Nov 21-23

Feb 13-15

Mar 13-15

Location and Directions

14401 Crews Road NW, Gig Harbor, WA 98329 Home: 253-884-5959 **Cell: 253-732-5959**

➤ **Directions**

- Hwy 16, Exit for Purdy/Key Center/Shelton, Hwy 302 W.
- Travel into Purdy, Turn left at the signal following sign for Hwy 302 W (Shelton/Key Center)
- Cross Wauna Bridge, travel 5.1 miles
- Turn RIGHT onto Hwy 302 W, Elgin Clifton Rd NW, toward Shelton/Allyn (There are clearly marked signs leading to Hwy 302 W)
- Travel 1.2 miles, turn RIGHT onto 150th
- Travel .1 miles (end of chain link fence) turn LEFT onto 1st road into Rocky Creek Conservation Area
- Follow road approximately .8 mile through park, to PackLeader’s green farm gate, follow road past two-story house to parking lot at the top of the driveway.

➤ **Motels & Camping**

****Westwynd Motel 6703 144th St. NW, Gig Harbor, 98332 (800) 468-9963**

**incredibly dog-friendly and very accommodating

Red Lion Inn & Suites	220 Bravo Ter, Port Orchard, WA 98367	(360) 895-7818
Best Western Wesley Inn	6575 Kimball Drive, Gig Harbor, 98335	(888) 462-0002
The INN at Gig Harbor	3211 56th St. NW, Gig Harbor. 98335	(253) 858-1111
Gig Harbor RV Resort	9515 Burnham Drive NW, Gig Harbor, 98332	(800) 526-8311
PackLeader Farm	Camping and/or RVs may park on site, no hookups	

➤ **Food – Continental breakfast items and snacks will be available.**

➤ **Information and Entry Forms: Barbara 253-732-5959 k9sayno@aol.com**

➤ **Entries**

Pre-entries must arrive no later than July 5th, 2025.

Make money orders or checks payable to PackLeader Farm. **All payments in US dollars.**

Mail to: RLF Trial, c/o Barbara Davenport, 14401 Crews Rd NW, Gig Harbor, WA 98329

(Questions? Email: k9sayno@aol.com)

➤ **Refunds**

Refunds available until 6pm 7-5-25. No refunds after 7-5-25, unless we can fill from a wait list.

➤ **Entry Fees**

RLF/BTD Sheep	Before/on 7-5-25:	\$50.00	After 7-5-25:	\$55.00
JHD/JBD Sheep	Before/on 7-5-25:	\$35.00	After 7-5-25:	\$40.00

➤ **Judges**

July 12	Ashley Wright (RLF/JHD), Karen Trimble (BTD/JBD)
July 13	Karen Trimble (RLF/JHD), Ashley Wright (BTD/JBD)
July 14	Barbara Davenport (RLF/JHD), Craig Watson (BTD/JBD)

➤ **Limits: RLF sheep limited to 15 runs per day & BTD sheep limited to 15 runs per day
JHD/JBD classes limited to 10 runs per day.**

****** (Insufficient entries MAY result in reduction of awards or cancellation of the event) ******

➤ **Awards**

Rosettes 1st – 4th place Each Day
HIT and RHIT Each Day
High Combined for the weekend
Qualifying Ribbons

Please fill out one entry form per dog

Entry Number: _____

Breed: _____ **Reg. #:** _____ **Registry:** _____

Reg. Name: _____

Call Name: _____ **Sex:** _____ **DOB:** _____
mm/dd/yyyy

Sire: _____

Dam: _____

Breeder: _____

Owner: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip:** _____

Phone: _____ **E-mail:** _____

Name of handler if other than owner: _____

Pre-entry date is 7-5-25. (Entry fees increase by \$5 each after closing.) No refunds after 7-5-25.

Indicate the Class(es) you are entering

Course	Class			Sat	Sun	Mon	Price	Totals
	I	II	III					
RLFs							50.00	
BTDs							50.00	
JHDs		-----					35.00	
JBDs		-----					35.00	
Grand Total								

In consideration for participation in an event sanctioned by the American Herding Breed Association (AHBA), & hosted by Barbara Davenport & Elsie Rhodes, 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, member, Barbara Davenport & Elsie Rhodes or their families harmless and defend them from any and all liability for an injury, claim, damage or loss, of whatever kind or nature, whether to person or property, caused at or near this event. I agree to indemnify the AHBA, its officers, directors, agents, members, Barbara Davenport, Steve Weigley, PackLeader Farm, Elsie Rhodes and families might be subject as a result of any claims, 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 and Barbara Davenport & Elsie Rhodes are hosting for this event with regard to issuing of titles, they do not have and do 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 animal, or to people. Replacement cost for injuries/death resulting in livestock unable to be used for herding is \$200 for sheep and \$25 for ducks.

 Signature of owner / agent

 Date

AHBA – RLF Sheep

GENERAL RULES:

- Time 20 minutes.
- In all elements, quiet efficient stock work is essential.
- All gates which are open will remain open. All closed gates that are opened will be re-closed as the run progresses.
- Ties are broken based on individual scores in the following order:
Exercise #2 “Obstacle #1”, Exercise #9 “Controlled Fetch”, Time.

STARTING SET- UP:

- Groups of 25 Sheep in Take Pen, 25 sheep in holding Pen.
- There will be water tanks on course (shown in blue on diagram).
- There will be Stock Handlers on course in the vicinity of the Holding Pens.

1. **TAKE PEN – 10 pts.:** Exercise begins when the Take Pen gate is opened. Remove sheep from Take Pen. Dog should cover the sheep while handler closes gate. Proceed toward Obstacle#1. Exercise ends when the sheep passes the Marker.
2. **OBSTACLE #1 – 10 pts.:** Exercise begins when the sheep passes the Marker. Move sheep through Obstacle #1 as shown on the diagram. Proceed through open gate into Field #2. Exercise ends when sheep enter Field #2.
3. **OBSTACLE #2 – 10 pts.:** Exercise begins when sheep enter Field #2. Move sheep through Obstacle #2 as shown on the diagram. Exercise ends when sheep exit Obstacle #2.
4. **PEN SERIES – 10 pts.:** Exercise begins when sheep exit Obstacle #2. In this series, dog will hold sheep off each gate and handler will close each gate as they move through. Move sheep through the series of 4 pens as shown on the diagram and pen in open Holding Pen. Remove new group of sheep from other Holding Pen and move sheep into Arena C. Dog will cover sheep as gate is closed. Exercise ends when the Arena C gate is closed.
5. **LEVEL III ONLY – SORT – 10 pts.:** Upon entering Pen #2, sort 5 sheep into pen #3. An incorrect sort is points off. Exercise ends when sort is complete and Pen #3 gate is closed. Continue with the Pen Series.
6. **FETCH DRIVE – 10 pts.:** Exercise begins when the Arena C gate is closed. Fetch/Drive sheep through Obstacle #3, through open gates and into Field #2. Exercise ends when the sheep enter Field #2.
 - RLFI Handler may take any position including walking thru Obstacle #3.
 - RLFII Handler remains behind the Level II Handler’s Line until sheep enter Field #2.
 - RLFIII Handler remains at the Handler’s Post until the sheep enter Field #2.
7. **CALL OFF – 10 pts.:** Exercise begins when sheep enter Field #2. Call the dog off and allow the sheep to escape. Exercise ends when the dog responds to the Call Off.
 - RLFI Handler will call the dog off and exit Field #2 allowing the sheep to escape.
 - RLFII/III Handler may recall the dog or have the dog stay until the handler reaches the dog.
8. **GATHER – 10 pts.:** Exercise begins when the dog responds to the Call Off. Move to the location appropriate to the team’s level. Send dog to gather sheep to the Marker.
 - RLFI Dog is left a minimum of 60’ from the sheep, Handler may move within 15 feet of sheep.
 - RLFII Dog is left a minimum of 120’ from the sheep, Handler may move halfway to sheep.
 - RLFIII Team begins a minimum of 120’ from the sheep
9. **CONTROLLED FETCH – 10 pts.:** Exercise begins when sheep reach the Marker. Utilize a controlled fetch to move the sheep into Field #3 toward Obstacle #2. Exercise ends when the sheep pass Obstacle #2.
10. **REPEN – 10 pts.:** Exercise begins when the sheep pass Obstacle #2. Move sheep toward the final pen, safely hold sheep while gate is opened and pen sheep. Exercise ends when all sheep are penned and gate is closed.

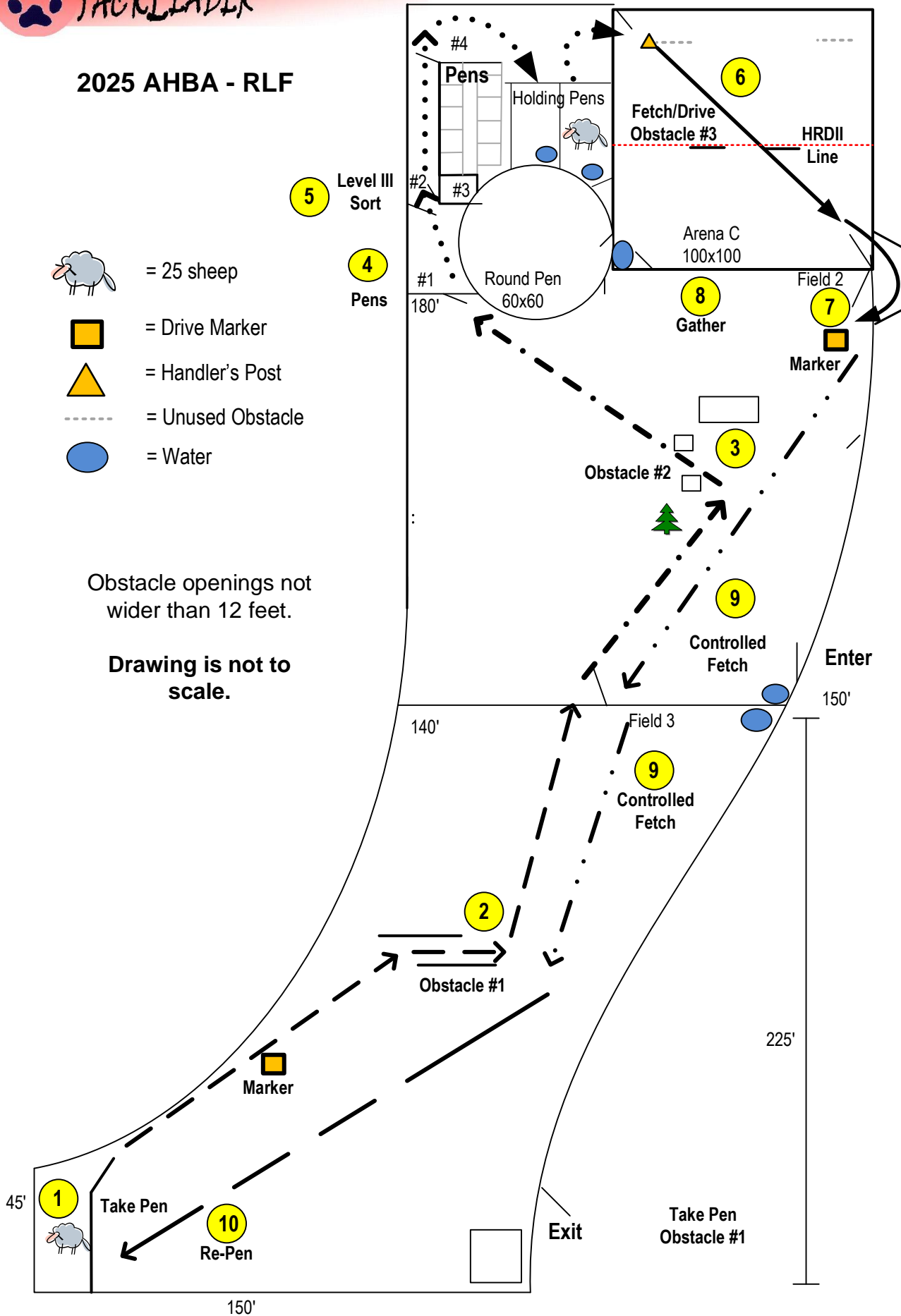


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- = 25 sheep
- = Drive Marker
- = Handler's Post
- = Unused Obstacle
- = Water

Obstacle openings not wider than 12 feet.

Drawing is not to scale.



AHBA – BTD Sheep

GENERAL RULES:

- Time: Level I - 30 minutes, Level II - 35 minutes, Level III - 40minutes. **Separate DIAGRAM for each level.**
- All boundaries are depressed furrows throughout the course.
- All roads are 15', except Traffic Road which is 25'.
- Scoring begins 20 feet before an element and concludes at completion of the element. All movement between elements is scored during Exercise #9 "Roadwork".
- Ties are broken based on individual scores in the following order within each class:
Exercise #9 "Roadwork", Exercise #7 "Stationary Graze", Time.

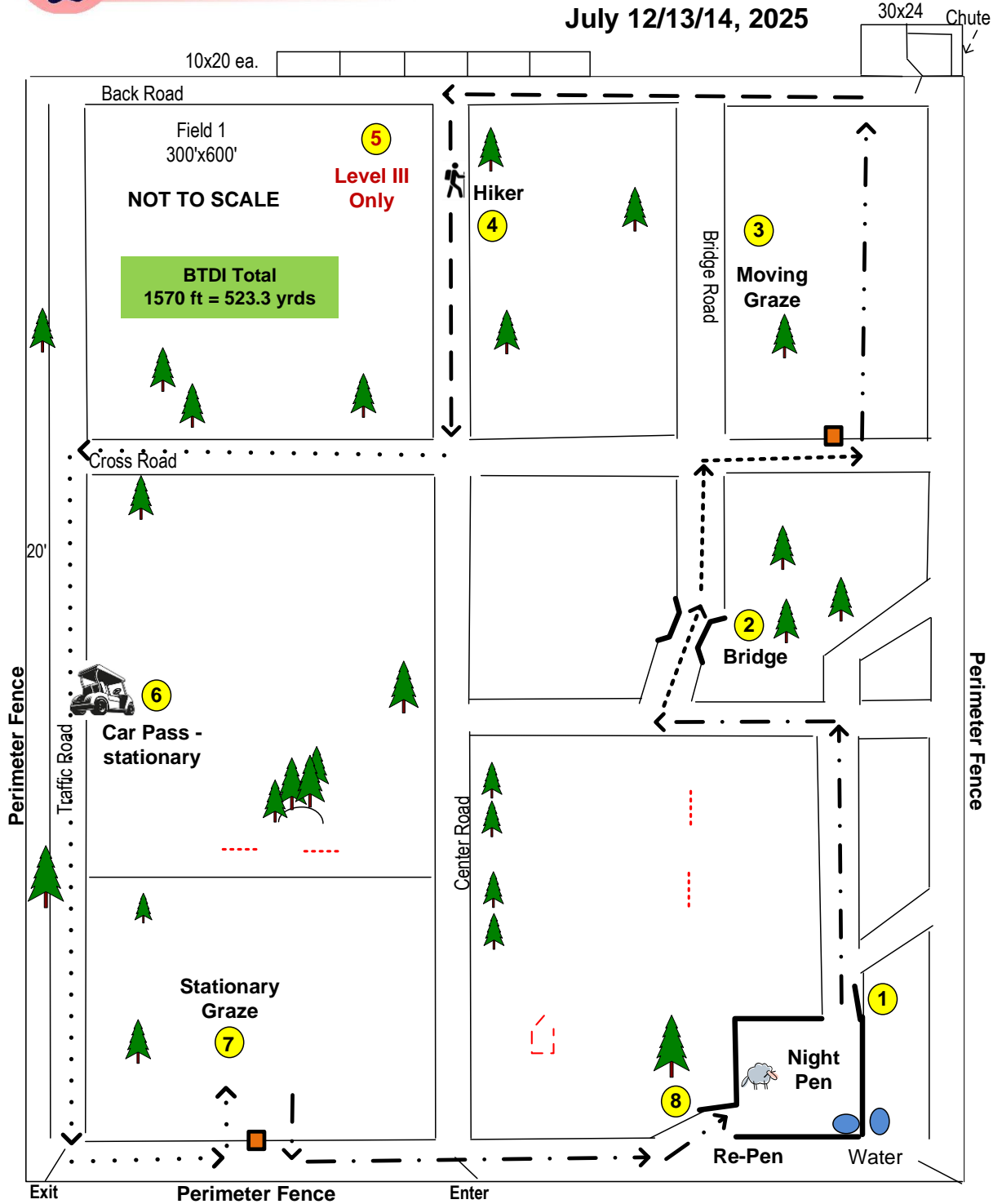
STARTING SET- UP:

- 15 Sheep in the Night Pen

- 11. NIGHT PEN – 10 pts.:** Time begins when the gate is opened. Dog will hold the sheep in the pen while the gate is opened. Remove sheep from the Night Pen. Dog may enter the pen or not as the handler chooses. Handler must close the gate when the sheep exit.
- 12. BRIDGE – 10 pts.:** The dog guards the most dangerous/draw wing of the bridge while the handler leads the flock over the bridge. The dog will follow the sheep across the bridge.
 - BTDIII** Crossing the bridge with distraction (Someone will ask for directions).
- 13. MOVING GRAZE – 10 pts.:** Enter the Moving Graze where indicated on the map. Move the sheep at a slow pace allowing sheep to graze to the opposite end (BTDI) and return (BTDII/III). Sheep will exit the moving graze according to level as indicated on the diagram.
 - BTDI** Graze sheep in one direction only.
 - BTDII** The handler may assist with sending and stops to turn the sheep at the top of the graze to reverse the direction.
 - BTDIII** Prior to the markers, Handler will send the dog to the top of the graze, utilizing a placement to reverse the direction.
- 14. HIKERS (Optional Element) – 10 pts.:** Sheep will be moved past the Hikers. Sheep should not pause or mill around Hikers nor should the dog interact with the hikers.
 - BTDI** 1 Hiker on the course
 - BTDII** 2 hikers on the course – 1 set of 2 hikers on the course
 - BTDIII** 3 hikers on the course – 1 set of 2 hikers, and 1 separate hiker
- 15. LEVEL III ONLY – BARRIER ON THE PATH – 10 pts.:** Upon reaching the marker before the Barrier (downed log), the sheep will be guided off the road toward the second marker where the sheep will be guided back on the road.
- 16. VEHICLE PASS – 10 pts.:** Upon the approach of the vehicle, the dog moves the entire flock off the road to the right as the vehicle passes. The handler or the dog may work the side closest to the vehicle during the pass.
 - BTDI** Parked Car.
 - BTDII** One vehicle pass – from the front.
 - BTDIII** Two vehicle passes – Once from the front, then from the rear.
- 17. STATIONARY GRAZE – 15 pts.:** Enter the graze as indicated on the diagram. The dog will independently contain the sheep within the graze while allowing them to settle, spread out and graze. At the conclusion of the graze, the sheep will exit at the same location they entered.
 - BTDI & II** Handler may position themselves within a crook's length inside or outside the graze edge.
 - BTDIII** Handlers must stay within a crook's length of the inside graze edge.
- 18. REPEN – 10 pts.:** On the return to the night pen, the dog will hold the sheep off the gate while the gate is opened. Time stops when all sheep are penned and gate is closed.
- 19. ROADWORK / GENERAL BEHAVIOR – 15 pts.:** All movement between elements is scored in this exercise.

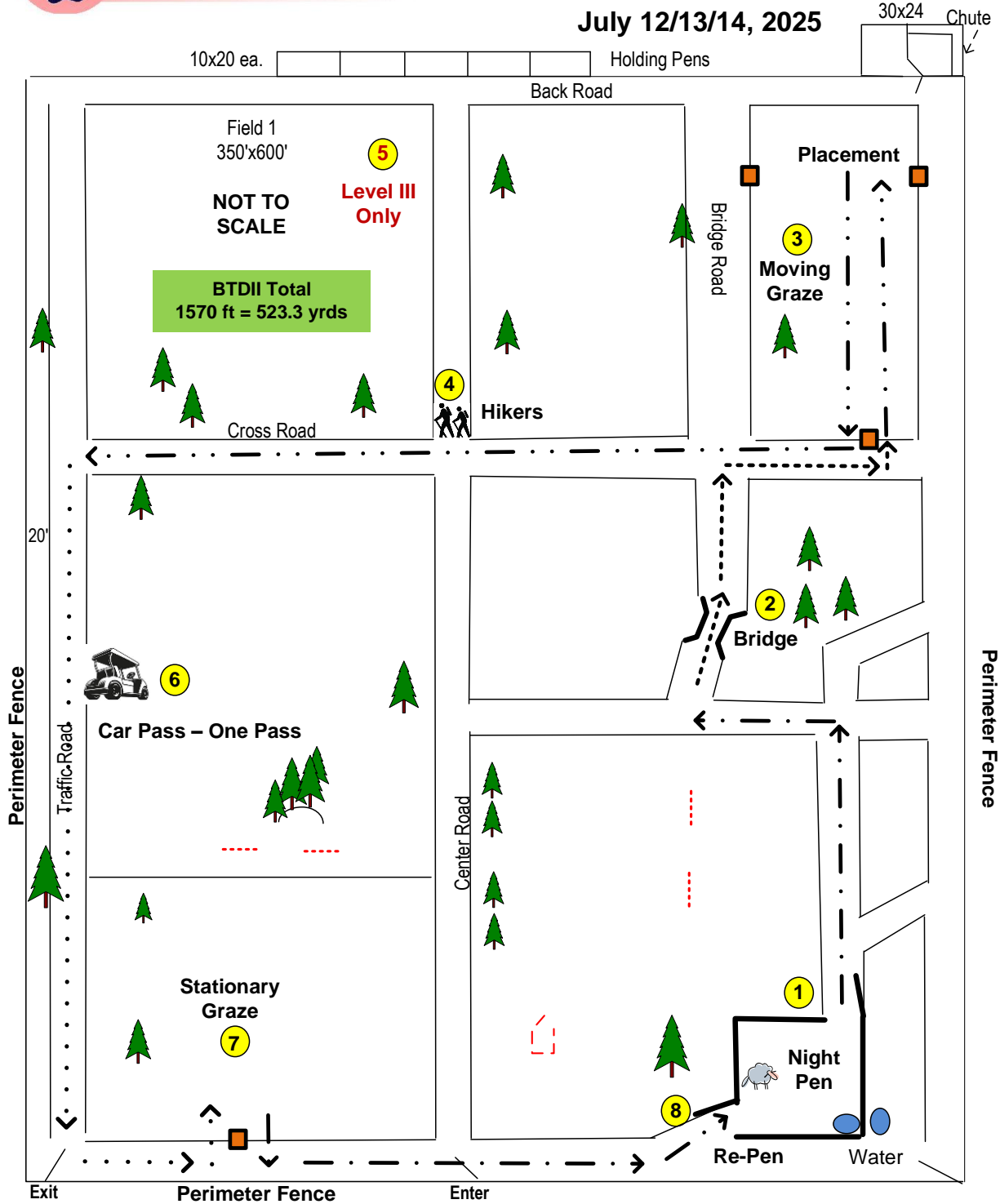


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