

REVISED! WE'VE ADDED AN ADDITIONAL DAY!
J.R. Farm & Friends invites you to join us
Monday, April 27th, 2026, Tuesday, April 28th, 2026, & Wednesday, April 29th, 2026 - for
2 ALL-BREED SHEEP ONLY TRIALS THE FIRST DAY, THEN
2 ALL-BREED AHBA HERDING TESTS & TRIALS

18200 Sycamore Ave., Patterson, CA
 Trial Hours: 1 hour before first handlers meeting, to 1 hour after completion of trial

THIS IS A WEATHER PERMITTING TRIAL
 If it becomes obvious that the trial should be cancelled - we will do so and refund your entry completely



TRIAL CLASSES OFFERED
 Monday - HTAD I, II, III – *Sheep Only* – Course #3
 Tuesday & Wednesday HTAD I, II, III – *Sheep & Geese* - Course #3
 Tuesday & Wednesday - HRD I, II, III - *Geese*
 Tuesday & Wednesday - **TEST CLASSES** – JHD
 Trials & JHD Class open to all Dogs nine (9) months of age or older

ENTRIES OPEN: Monday, March 23rd, 2026
ENTRIES CLOSE: 6:00 p.m. Monday, April 20th, 2026

HERDING TEST/TRIAL COMMITTEE

Test/Trial Secretary: Jill Reifschneider, 18200 Sycamore Ave., Patterson, CA 95363
 (209) 814-4968, jrherding@gmail.com
 Committee: Ann Schlobohm, Brenna Mooney, Rick Anderson, Kitty Hale, Jill Reifschneider

JUDGES

<u>Monday – Trial #1</u>	<u>Monday – Trial #2</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>
<i>Sheep Only</i>	<i>Sheep Only</i>	Theresa Royer	Eddy Aldridge
Theresa Royer	Ann Schlobohm	1035 Ivy St	4009 Ora Vista Ave
1035 Ivy St	5046 E. Grant	San Mateo, CA	Bakersfield, CA
San Mateo, CA	Fresno, CA		

Trial Classes Offered

HTAD I, II, III – <i>Sheep</i> : Course #3	4 head Dorper Crosses (HTAD III – ribbon pull)
HTAD I, II, III – <i>Geese</i> : Course #3	5 head of Geese (HTAD III – sort)
HRD I, II, III – <i>Geese</i>	5 head of Geese
Test Classes – JHD - 3 head of Sheep	

Replacement Value for Geese is \$75, Sheep are \$350

HERDING TRIAL TROPHIES – Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday

High In Trial & Reserve High In Trial each Day – Dog Gear Themed Items

QUALIFYING SCORES REQUIRED FOR ALL TROPHIES

RIBBONS/ROSETTES

- HIGH IN TRIAL SHEEP – Rose & White Rosette
- HIGH IN TRIAL GEESE – Rose & White Rosette
- RESERVE HIGH IN TRIAL SHEEP – Teal & White Rosette
- RESERVE HIGH IN TRIAL GEESE – Teal & White Rosette
- TRIAL CLASSES (First-Fourth) - Blue, Red, Yellow, & White Ribbons
- TRIAL & TEST QUALIFYING SCORE - Green Ribbon

ENTRIES

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Postmark will indicate receipt date. Entries not accepted postmarked before trial opening date.

All entries must be received at the Event Secretary’s address no later than: 6:00p.m. Monday, April 20th, 2026
(entries will be received in order of post mark, or date of receipt of hand delivery)

Do not send entries by any method requiring signature for delivery.
All entries must be signed. Entries without fees will not be accepted.

Make checks payable to **Jill Reifschneider**
Mail to **Jill Reifschneider**, 18200 Sycamore Ave., Patterson, CA 95363

Entry Confirmations and Judging Programs will be sent via e-mail, if available.

Entry Fees

- \$55.00 per Goose Trial run (includes \$3.25 AHBA recording fee)
- \$55.00 per Sheep Trial run (includes \$3.25 AHBA recording fee)
- \$55.00 per Sheep Test run (includes \$3.25 AHBA recording fee)

Limit

- 12 Trial Sheep runs per Trial - *Monday Only*
- 25 Trial Sheep runs per day
- 20 geese runs total per day - combined
- 8 JHD runs per day

Note: Bitches in season shall be eligible and will run in catalog order in trial classes, and at the end in test classes.

Hospitality

Water will be available both days.

VETERINARIAN

Taylor Veterinary Hospital (24 Hours)
1231 W Taylor Rd, Turlock, CA 95382, 209- 669-8600

Accommodations

The following motels are accepting dogs at the time this premium list was prepared. Please call these establishments directly for any fees or restrictions. Please clean up after your dogs, so we can use these facilities for future events.

- Best Western Plus Villa Del Lago Inn..... 209-892-5300 2959 Speno Dr, Patterson, CA 95363
- Motel 6209 667-4100 250 S Walnut Av, Turlock, CA 95380

RV CAMPING (LIMITED)

TEXT Jill Reifschneider for details, 209-814-4968
NO HOOK UPS – NO DUMPING

Directions to JR Farm

From the North: Highway 5 South: Patterson/Sperry Ave Exit. Turn left on Sperry and travel 2.7 miles. Turn right at stop sign on Hwy 33. Travel .7 mile. Turn left on Almond. Travel 1 mile. At stop sign turn right on Sycamore. Travel 1.2 miles. Watch for herding trial signs on the left.

From the South: Highway 5 North: Patterson/Sperry Ave Exit. Turn right on Sperry and travel 2.7 miles. Turn right at stop sign on Hwy 33. Travel .7 mile. Turn left on Almond. Travel 1 mile. At stop sign turn right on Sycamore. Travel 1.2 miles. Watch for herding trial signs on the left.

From the West: Highway 580 East: After descending Altamont Pass on 580 and just past Grant Line Rd., stay in either of the two right hand lanes and veer right staying on 580 to South I5. Travel 29 miles and take the Patterson/Sperry Ave exit. Turn left on Sperry and travel 2.7 miles. Turn right at stop sign on Hwy 33. Travel .7 mile. Turn left on Almond. Travel 1 mile. At stop sign turn right on Sycamore. Travel 1.2 miles. Watch for herding trial signs on the left.

From 99: North or South: Take the West Main exit in Turlock and turn West on West Main. Go 13.6 miles to Sycamore. West Main will become Las Palmas after crossing near the river at approach of Patterson. Turn left on Sycamore. Travel 2.7 miles. Watch for herding trial signs on the left.

ADDITIONAL TEST/TRIAL REGULATIONS

We ask the cooperation of exhibitors in helping keep the Test/Trial location as clean as possible in order for us to retain the use of this facility for future Test/Trials.

ALL DOGS MUST BE ON LEASH ANYWHERE ON THE PROPERTY AT ALL TIMES (except during their trial runs). NO EXCEPTIONS.

Entries must be received at the Trial Secretary's address by the published closing date to be acceptable, and may not be changed, substituted, corrected, signed or cancelled after that time, unsigned, conditionals, telephone, telegraph, or entries received without fees are not acceptable. RETURNED CHECKS do not constitute a valid entry fee. The Trial Secretary will assess a collection fee of \$20.00 to the amount of each returned check. Subsequent from the same exhibitor may result in their being put upon a cash-only basis.

No entry shall be made, and no entry shall be accepted which specifies any condition as to its acceptance.

Entries must be on the enclosed blank or a reasonable facsimile thereof.

Entry fees shall not be refunded in the event that a dog is absent, disqualified, excused by a veterinarian, judge or tester or barred from competition by the Show Committee. If, because of riots, civil disturbance, or other acts beyond control of the Club, it is impossible to open or complete the show, no refund of entry will be made.

Dogs must be ready for their classes. Test/Trial judges have the authority to refuse to judge any dog that does not appear within five minutes of being called for its run. The Test/Trial-giving Club and the Test/Trial Secretary have no obligation or responsibility for providing 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.

The club may decline any entries for cause and may refuse to receive or may remove any dog on account of disease, viciousness, or other causes, and no one shall have any claim or recourse against the club or any official thereof.

Exhibitors must be governed by any rules or regulations of civil authority, building and parking restrictions. Vehicles parked contrary to regulation will be subject to towing at the owner's expense.

AHBA HERDING TEST & TRIALS

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 Tuesday – April 28th, 2026 Wednesday – April 29th, 2026
 J. R. Farm, 18200 Sycamore Ave., Patterson, CA 95363

ENTRY FEE: \$55 per dog for each Test/Trial Class (Includes \$3 AHBA recording fee). No dog may be entered in two classes on the same course with the same kind of stock under the same Judge at any Test/Trial. ENTRIES CLOSE at the Secretary's Office, Monday, April 20th, 2026, at 6:00 P.M., or when LIMITS ARE REACHED, after which time entries cannot be accepted, canceled or substituted.

Make checks payable in U.S. funds to Jill Reifschneider and mail to Trial Secretary: Jill Reifschneider, 18200 Sycamore Ave., Patterson, CA 95363

A dog must be entered in the name of the person who actually owned it at the time entries for the herding trial closed. If a registered dog has been acquired by a new owner, it must be entered in the name of its new owner in any herding test or trial for which entries closed after the date of acquisition, regardless of whether the new owner has received the registration certificate indicating that the dog is recorded in his or her name.

BREED	VARIETY			SEX
MONDAY – SHEEP ONLY	TEST CLASS	HTAD COURSE #3 – SHEEP	HTAD COURSE #3 – GEESE	HRD COURSE – GEESE
<input type="checkbox"/> HTAD I	<input type="checkbox"/> JHD	<input type="checkbox"/> HTAD I	<input type="checkbox"/> HTAD I	<input type="checkbox"/> HRD I
<input type="checkbox"/> HTAD II		<input type="checkbox"/> HTAD II	<input type="checkbox"/> HTAD II	<input type="checkbox"/> HRD II
<input type="checkbox"/> HTAD III		<input type="checkbox"/> HTAD III	<input type="checkbox"/> HTAD III	<input type="checkbox"/> HRD III
FULL NAME OF DOG			CALL NAME:	
(enter number here ↓)			DATE OF BIRTH	
<input type="checkbox"/> AKC REG. NO.			PLACE OF BIRTH	
<input type="checkbox"/> AHBA TRACKING NO.			<input type="checkbox"/> USA <input type="checkbox"/> CANADA <input type="checkbox"/> FOREIGN	
<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (Please list)				
BREEDER				
SIRE				
DAM				
ACTUAL OWNER(S)				
ADDRESS				

AGREEMENT

IMPORTANT. READ THIS FIRST.

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 attorney's 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.

I (we) will pay for any livestock injuries or replacement value in the event of death of any livestock by my (our) dog. In case if any injury to any stock caused by the dog entered, I (we) will assume total responsibility for any damage. I (we) agree to pay the full market value of the injured animal in case of serious injury, or the veterinarian bill if the injury is slight.

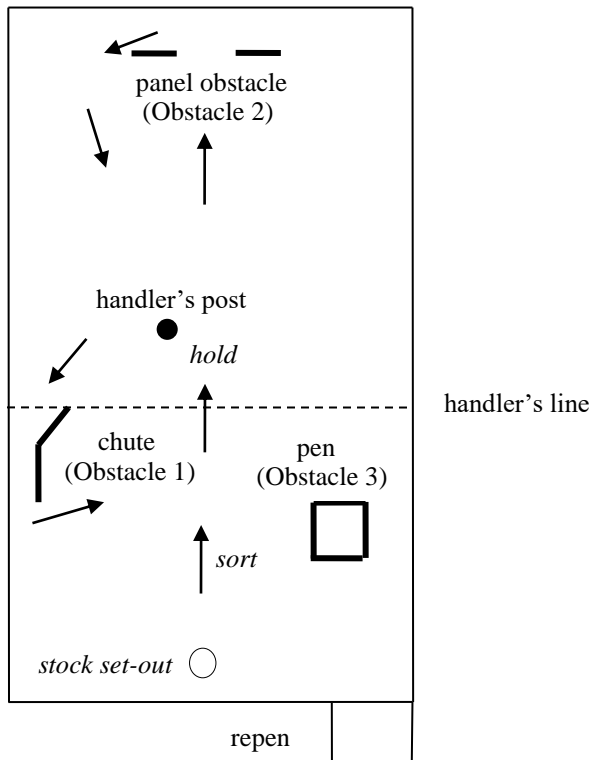
I certify that I am the actual owner of the dog, or that I am the duly authorized agent of the actual owner whose name I have entered above. In consideration of the acceptance of this entry, I (we) agree to abide by the rules and regulations of the American Herding Breed Association in effect at the time of this event, and any additional rules and regulations appearing in the premium list for this event and entry form. I (we) certify and represent that the dog entered is not a hazard to persons or other dogs. The entry is submitted for acceptance on the foregoing representation and Agreement.

SIGNATURE of owner or the agent duly authorized to make this entry: _____

Telephone area code first: _____ Email: _____

Handler (if different than Owner) : _____

HTAD COURSE #3



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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 stock set-out area, 6 ft. to the West of the North/South centerline of the arena. The chute is located on the West side of the arena, with the entrance approximately 20 ft. South of the mid-point between the North and South ends of the arena, the entrance on the North and the exit on the South end. The chute should be no less than 12 feet long and no more than 4 feet wide with an opening of 8 ft. (A bridge may be substituted for the chute.) A handler's line extends across the arena from West to East even with the North end of the chute. The panel obstacle has a 12 ft. opening and is located 20 ft. off of the North fence, parallel to the North fence and an equal distance from the East and West sides. The freestanding pen is located 30 ft. from the East side and 30 ft. from the South side of the arena, and should be 8-10 ft. on each side for sheep, 10-16 ft. on each side for cattle. (A trailer may be substituted for the pen.) 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 hoofed stock.

1. Gather or Take pen

Gather: The stock are let out at the repen gate and allowed to settle. 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, passing just to the East of the handler's post and then turning toward Obstacle 1. 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 handler's post, passing just to the East of the handler's post and then turning toward Obstacle 1. Scoring for the take pen ends when the stock have gone just past the handler's post.

2. Obstacle 1

The stock should enter at the North opening of the obstacle and exit to the South. HTAD III handlers must remain at the opening of the obstacle until the stock have exited. HTAD II handlers may move along the wing of the obstacle but may not move past the wing until the stock have exited. HTAD I handlers may move anywhere relative to the obstacle but may not enter it. Scoring for Obstacle 1 ends when the animals have exited.

3. Drive

After the stock exit the chute, they are turned back toward the North along the approximate North/South centerline of the arena. Going toward Obstacle 2, they should pass just to the East of the handler's post. HTAD III handlers must remain behind the handler's line. HTAD II handlers may accompany the stock to a point halfway to Obstacle 2, then must remain there for the rest of the drive. HTAD I handlers may accompany the stock up to Obstacle 2. The drive ends when the stock reach a point 10 ft. in front of Obstacle 2.

4. Obstacle 2

The handlers remain at the designated locations while the stock are taken through the freestanding panels. While HTAD I handlers may go up to the panels, they should not precede the stock through the panels. Once the stock have gone through the panels, handlers are free to move. The stock are turned to the West and then to the South past the West end of the obstacle and onto a line that will take them fairly directly to the area in front of the pen. Scoring for Obstacle 2 ends when the stock have passed to the South of the West end of the obstacle.

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

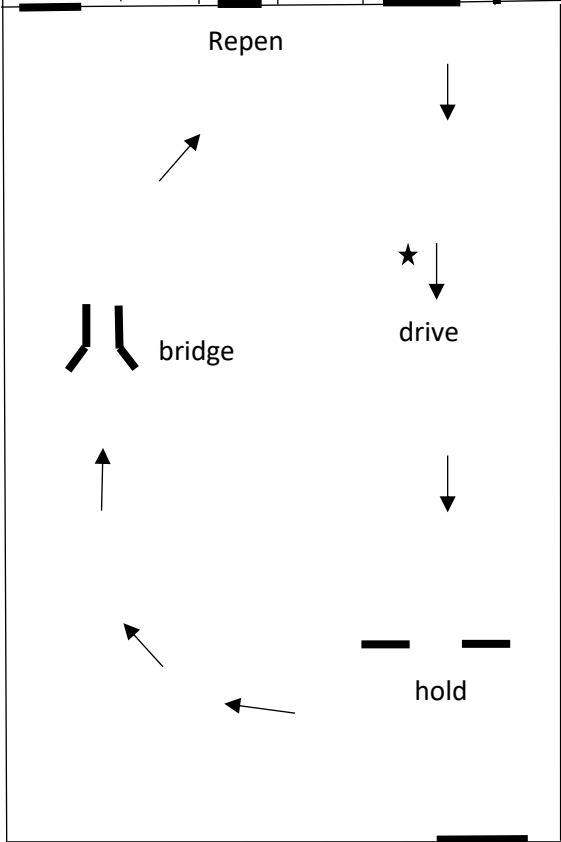
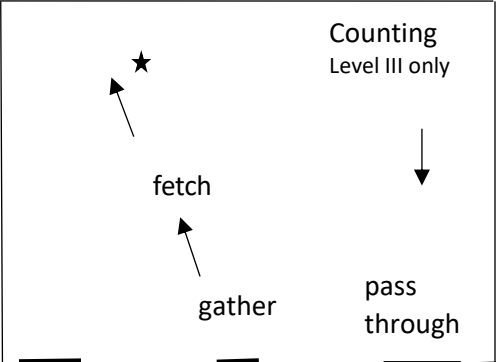
The sort is done by HTAD III handlers only. The stock is moved to the designated area, which depends on the type of sort being done. The sort may be one of the following: (a) Gate sort. (b) Ribbon-removal/shed. The sort ends when the gate is closed on the sorted animals, or when the ribbon has been removed/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

HRD – Geese
December 31/25
& January 1/26

Patterson, CA



★ = handler's post

HRD – Geese

Gather: Geese are set out from the holding pens.

Level I: dog is set halfway between geese and handler's post, handler may go within 15 feet of geese.

Level II: dog is set at handler's post, handler may go halfway to geese before sending dog.

Level III: dog and handler both are at post, dog is sent from post while handler remains in place.

Fetch: At all levels, geese are brought to the handler's post and go around it clockwise.

Counting (Level III only): The geese are taken along the fence. The handler causes them to line out, passing between the handler and the fence, and "counts" them.

Pass Through Holding Area: Using the gates in the stock holding area, the geese are taken through the holding area and into the large arena. At all levels, the dog holds the geese while the handler opens the 1st gate (the 2nd gate is already open). Once the geese have passed through the holding area and are in the small arena, both gates are closed behind them. (The 2nd gate will be re-opened and left open at the end of the run, in readiness for the next run).

Drive: Geese are moved down the arena to the start of the drive. For the drive:

Level I: handler may continue on with geese.

Level II: handler stops at a point halfway between the designated handler's post and the panels, and stays there until geese have passed through the panels.

Level III: handler stops at the designated handler's post until the geese have passed through the panels.

Hold: All levels, the geese are settled and held momentarily, then the run resumes.

Bridge: The geese are taken over the bridge (a chute with a wood floor). The handler must cross the bridge, but the dog doesn't need to cross the bridge.

Level I: handler may move alongside the wings of the bridge and may go onto the bridge before all geese have exited the bridge.

Level II: handler must stay at entrance to the wings of the bridge, but may go onto the bridge before all geese have exited the bridge.

Level III: handler must remain at the entrance to the wings of the bridge until all geese have exited the bridge.

Repen: The geese are repenned.

Course time: 15 minutes Tie-breakers: bridge, gather