

November Herding Trials!!!

Saturday & Sunday, November 28 & 29, 2026

These events will be held outdoors; rain or shine

Hosted at and by

Rosehaeven Farm, 1452 CR 80, Alger, OH 45812

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Text: 419-302-3773

Open to all eligible AHBA breeds as allowed by AHBA rules.

Offering:

HTD 5 head per group ducks or sheep

HTAD (course 1) 5 head per group ducks or sheep

RLF 25 head sheep (Limit 6 runs per day)

Levels I, II, and III offered each day for HTD, HTAD, and RLF

JHD sheep – 3 head

Judges:

Saturday – Cheryl Sacerich

Sunday – Linda Gray



Trial site hours: 7:30 a.m. until one hour after trial completion.

First handlers' meeting will begin at 9 a.m.

Each day will begin with HTD ducks, followed by HTAD ducks, HTD sheep, HTAD sheep, RLF and then JHD.

Saturday lunch will be a potluck organized by Dana Hasemeier to honor herding friends we have lost this year.

Entries: No opening date, pre-entries must be received by Monday, November 23. A wait list will be kept if limits are exceeded.

Fees: HTD, HTAD, RLF **sheep \$40**

HTD and HTAD ducks \$35

JHD sheep \$35

Same day entries will be accepted 8:30 – 9:00 a.m. each day if space is available. Please text ahead to check availability. Additional \$10/class for entries or funds received after the closing date of Monday, November 23, 2026.

Make **checks payable to Rosehaeven** and mail with completed AHBA entry form to:

Kathy Magers, 1452 CR 80, Alger, OH 45812.

There will be a \$25 service charge for any returned checks.

Policies:

- This trial shall be run under all AHBA rules and regulations. www.ahba-herding.org
- Only attached AHBA entry form will be accepted
- Each individual is responsible for any damage caused by himself, his family, or his dog while in the trial arenas or on the trial grounds.
- Livestock replacement costs are: Ducks \$50; Sheep \$350.
- AHBA, Rosehaeven, judges, and trial workers assume no responsibility for any accident or injury.
- All dogs must be on leash when not competing.
- Bitches in season will run in number order in HTAD and HTD classes; bitches in season will run at the end of JHD.
- Entry confirmation will be sent by email.
- Entry fees will only be refunded if request in writing is received on or before pre-entry date – Nov 23, 2026.

Awards – Ribbons for class placement 1st – 5th. High in Trial and Reserve High in Trial rosettes. All qualifying scores will be sent to AHBA.

Concessions – Exhibitors will be contacted in advance by Dana Hasemeier in order to plan and provide a great lunch to go with turkey on Saturday. For lunch on Sunday, there may be leftovers.

Hotels:

Travelodge by Wyndham, Exit 125 off I-75

Country Inn & Suites, Exit 125 off I-75

Motel 6, Exit 125 off I-75

Howard Johnson, Exit 125 off I-75

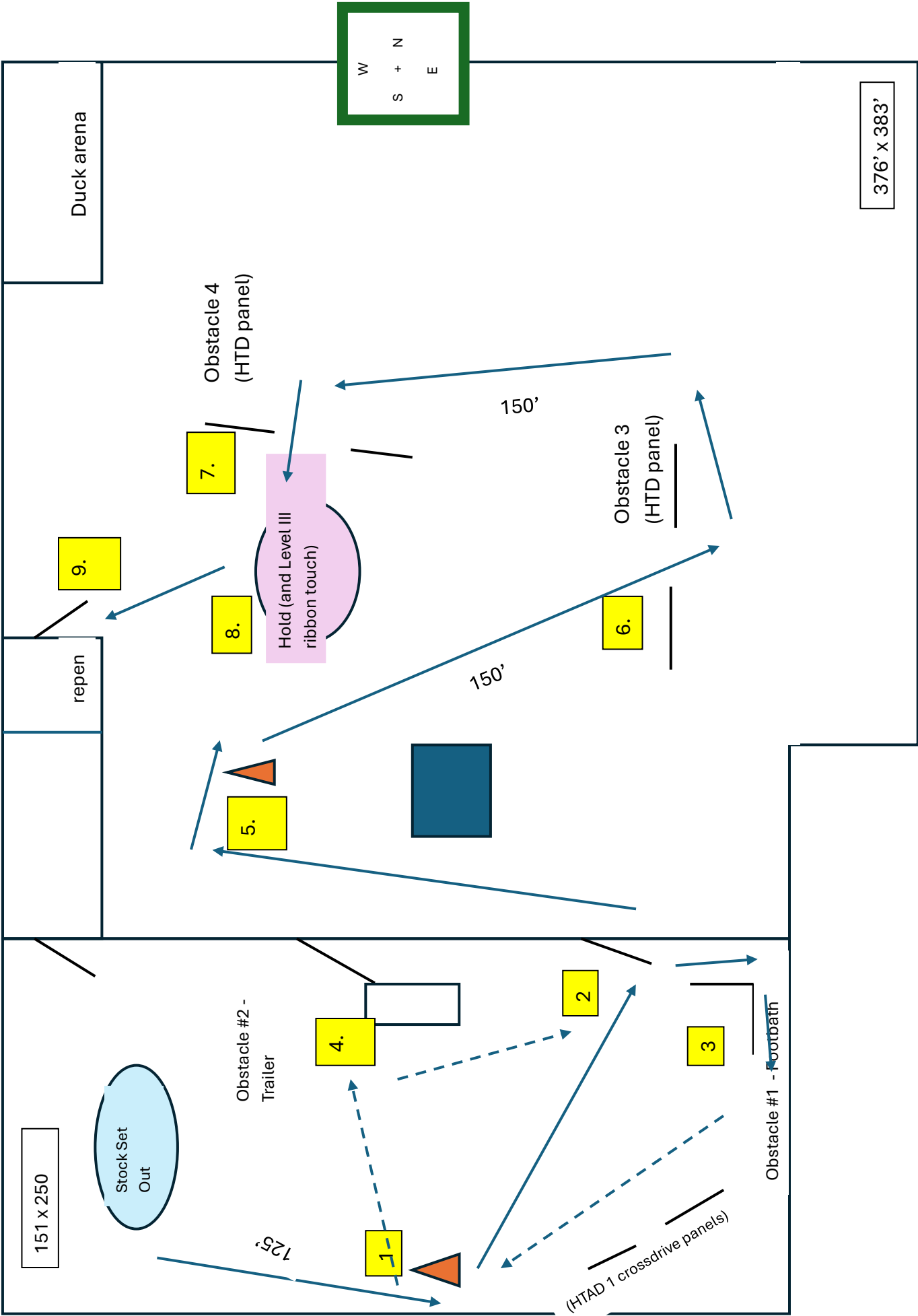
Microtel Inn & Suites, in Delphos, off Ohio 30 – This hotel has become a favorite of herding people.
480 Moxie Ln, Delphos

Camping: Sun Valley Family Campground, 9779 Faulkner Rd., Harrod, OH 4.4 miles from farm, 419-648-2235

Directions to Trial Site

From the north or south: travel on I-75 to Lima, Exit 125, toward Kenton/Lima. Turn east on Harding Hwy/OH- 309, then 10 miles to turn South on Hardin Rd/County Hwy-15. In one mile, turn left on County Rd 80. In 1.41 miles you will reach RoseHaeven on the right.

From the east or west: travel on OH 30 to the OH 235 exit toward Ada. Turn south, traveling through Ada. Stay on 235 at the stop sign (right) as it jogs a mile to the west. Turn left (south) to continue on 235. In one mile, turn right (west) on CR 80. In less than a mile you'll reach Rosehaeven on the left.



Course Description RLF November 2026

To get into position to start run, dog and handler enter empty trial field, close gate, and proceed to handler post. At this point 25 sheep will enter the top of the sheep trial field.

Levels II and III-must remove leash after closing the gate and before proceeding to handler's post.

Level I may be positioned for start with leash attached but must demonstrate a pause after the leash is removed before the dog is sent to gather the stock.

1. 10 pts - Gather – Sheep are gathered from west end of field and fetched toward the south side of the field, then turn counter-clockwise around the handler's post. Sheep should not pass through any freestanding panels on any part of the gather. When all sheep have passed around the post, the gather is complete.
 - a. III – must remain at the handlers post while the dog gathers the stock and all sheep pass around the post.
 - b. II – Dog is set at the post, and handler may move half the distance to the sheep set out.
 - c. I- dog may be placed at the halfway point. Handler may move to a point no closer than 15' from the sheep.
2. Gate sort (10 points) – Sheep are taken directly (drive or fetch for any level) from the handler's post to the gate in the northeast area of the arena. 15 sheep are sorted into the large front pasture, with 10 sheep remaining to continue parts 3 and 4 with the dog and handler. Sort is complete when 15 sheep have entered the front pasture.
 - a. III – at least 5 of the 10 ribboned sheep and any other 5 sheep (for a total of 10 sheep) must remain in smaller arena.
 - b. II – at least 3 of the 10 ribboned sheep and any other 7 sheep (for a total of 10 sheep) must remain in smaller arena
 - c. I – any 10 sheep must remain in smaller arena
3. Obstacle 1 – Footbath (10 points) – all 10 sheep will be gathered in the gate area, and then proceed through the footbath, starting at the opening closest to the sorting gate. All 10 sheep will then proceed in a direct route to turn clockwise around the handler's cone.

- a. III – handler must remain at the sorting gate until the first sheep reaches the handler's cone
 - b. II – handler may move no closer than the HTAD freestanding crossdrive panels (SE corner of field) until the first sheep reaches the handler's cone.
 - c. I -handler may move anywhere on the course as the sheep move towards the handler's cone
- 4. Obstacle 2 – Trailer (15 points) The sheep will move directly from the handler's cone to the gate end of the trailer. Trailer gate will be opened, sheep will enter trailer, and gate will be closed. Upon the judge's signal, gate will be opened and the stock removed from the trailer. Handler may remove sheep without dog. Trailer side door may be used as the handler sees fit. Sheep will travel directly to the sorting gate, gate will be opened, and the 10 sorted sheep will be reunited with the 15 in the large front field. Handler must be no more than 10' away from the trailer while sheep are loading/unloading.
 - a. Level III – handler must stay within a crook's length of the handle edge of the trailer door
 - b. Level II – handler may walk up to but not enter the trailer
 - c. Level I – handler may fetch into the trailer
- 5. Wear/drive to cone, Wear/drive to obstacle 3 (15 points) All 25 sheep will be brought to the sorting gate to begin this section. Sheep will travel to the handler's cone in the front field, turn clockwise, and then proceed directly to and through obstacle 3 (approximately 150 feet), turning north after they negotiate the obstacle.
 - a. Level III – upon reaching the cone with the sheep, handler remains at cone while sheep are driven through obstacle 3
 - b. Level II – after sheep round the cone, handler may move halfway to obstacle 3 while sheep are driven through obstacle 3
 - c. Level I – handler may move with the sheep, but must not walk through the obstacle
- 6. Fetch/drive through obstacle 4 (10 points) – sheep will proceed directly from obstacle 3 to the north side of obstacle 4 (approximately 150 feet). They will enter through the north side and exit on the south side of the obstacle.
 - a. Level III – handler remains at cone while sheep are driven through obstacle 4
 - b. Level II – handler may move halfway to obstacle while sheep are driven through obstacle 4
 - c. Level I – handler may move with the sheep, but must not walk through the obstacle

7. Hold (10 points) – directly after the last sheep clears obstacle 4, all sheep will be brought to a stop to demonstrate a hold.
 - a. Level III ribboned sheep touch (10 points) in addition to the hold, Level III handlers then move the flock approximately 10 feet and then will also touch the back or head of one of the ribboned sheep. The judge will indicate that the touch has been seen.
8. Repen (10 points) – sheep will proceed directly from the hold area to the repen area, where a hold off the gate will be demonstrated before exhausting all 25 sheep.

Good stockmanship is to be observed with sheep moving calmly and safely through all gates and obstacles.

Ties are broken by (1) best score on Obstacle 2, (2) then best score on Obstacle 3, (3) then best time.

Course time: 30 minutes

Entry Form: AMERICAN HERDING BREED ASSOCIATION TEST/TRIAL

Dates: November 28 & 29, 2026

Sponsor: Rosehaeven/Kathy Magers Location: Alger, Ohio

(Please type or print clearly)

Call name:	DOB:	Breed:	Sex:
Reg. Name			Color:
Registry:	Reg.#	Breeder:	
Sire:		Dam:	
Owner:			
Owner's Address:			
Phone/email:			
Name of handler if other than owner:			
Classes Offered	Level (circle)	Entry Fee	Day/s (circle)
HTD ducks	I II III	\$35/day	Sat Sun
HTAD ducks (course #1)	I II III	\$35/day	Sat Sun
JHD		\$35/day	Sat Sun
HTD sheep	I II III	\$40/day	Sat Sun
RLF sheep	I II III	\$40/day	Sat Sun
HTAD sheep (course #1)	I II III	\$40/day	Sat Sun

Add \$10 per entry per day after closing date. (Nov 23, 2026)

Questions? email dkmagers1223@gmail.com or text 419-302-3773

Amount enclosed: _____ Make check payable to Rosehaeven.

Mail entries to: Rosehaeven, c/o Kathy Magers, 1452 CR 80, Alger, OH 45812. Entries accepted in postmarked order. Overnight entries accepted only if the signature is waived. No electronic entries will be accepted. Incomplete entries and entries without sufficient funds will not be accepted.

AGREEMENT TO HOLD HARMLESS, WAIVER, AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK: 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 Rosehaeven, its owners David and Kathy Magers, stock handlers and trial helpers, 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 Rosehaeven, its owners David and Kathy Magers, stock handlers and trial helpers, the AHBA, its officers, directors, agents or members for any loss, cost, or expense including attorneys fees and costs to which they 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.

Signature of Owner/Authorized Agent: _____ Date: _____