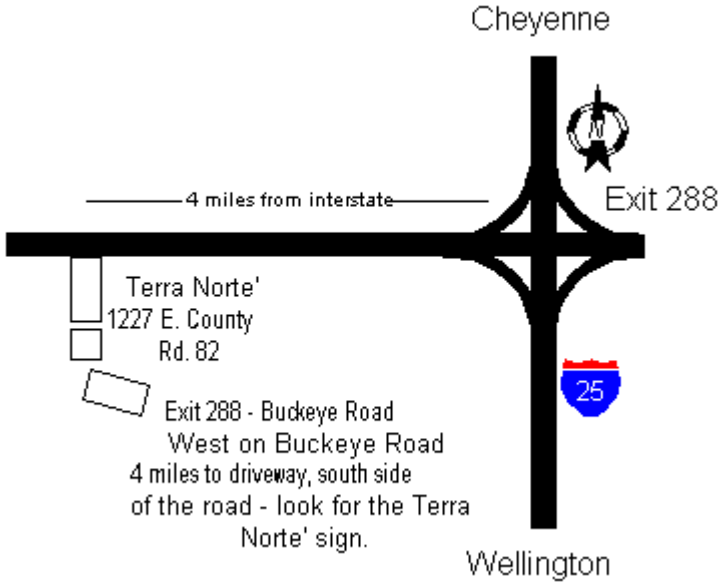


Rancho Terra Norte'



1227 E. County Road 82
Wellington, CO

Thanksgiving AHBA Trials/Tests

AHBA HTAD (course 2), I, II, III – Sheep, Goats
AHBA HTD I, II, III – Sheep, Goats
AHBA Boundary Trial Dog I, II, III – Sheep, Goats
AHBA HRD I, II, III – Mixed (Sheep and Goats)
AHBA Jr. Herding Dog/Jr Boundary Dog (levels, I/II/III) & Herding Capability Tests

Friday, November 27, 2026 - Sunday November 29, 2026

Test/Trial Hours -- 8:00AM till over

These events will be held outdoors weather permitting. If the forecast high is above 20 degrees, wind chill above 0 degrees and not actively precipitating, the trial is on.

PERMISSION HAS BEEN GRANTED BY THE AMERICAN HERDING BREEDS ASSOCIATION (AHBA) TO HOLD THE TRIALS UNDER AHBA RULES AND REGULATIONS.

A complete list of the rules governing AHBA events can be found at www.ahba-herding.org. Entrants are encouraged/requested to review and become familiar and knowledgeable with these regulations

(Dogs must be 9 months or older for trials)

Entry Fees –

Friday Nov 27th - BTD trial classes: limited to 12 runs (sheep and goat runs combined). $60 pre-trial/$65 day of trial.

Saturday Nov 28th - HRD Mixed (sheep & Goats) trial classes – limited to 15 runs. classes: $60 pre-trial/$65 day of trial.

Sunday Nov 29th - HTAD & HTD trial classes – limited to 25 runs (sheep and goat runs combined) $50 pre-trial/$55 day of trial
JHD & HCT test classes $45 pre-trial/$50 day of trial
JBD Test Classes (levels I, II, III), $45 pre-trial/$50 day of trial

Day of event entries will be accepted ONLY if stock and/or time allows.

Stock:
Sheep/Value $200 Katahdin x Doper x Black Belly Barbado cross in a rainbow of colors.
Goats/Value $300 Registered Kiko Goats

RIBBONS WILL BE AWARDED FOR FOUR PLACES IN EACH CLASS

PRIZES:
Friday Highest Trial Score – Throw with Goat Motif
Saturday Highest Trial Score – Throw with Sheep Motif
Sunday Highest Trial Score: Throw with a Goat Motif

JUDGES:
Lauren Sandrin, 9784 Garwood Street, Littleton, CO
David Stanford, 4332 Paintbrush Drive, Evans, CO

Trial hours are from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm each day
Day of event Registration from 8:30 am,
Course walk through at 9 AM each day

This event will be held outdoors weather permitting. Contact the trial secretary for up-to-date weather conditions and schedule.

Trial Secretary:

Val Manning, Rancho Terra Norte'
1227 E County Road 82
Wellington, CO 80549
(970) 391-6559 ranchoterranorte@hotmail.com

Course director(s): Siobhan Flaherty and Lio Blackwell
Stock supervisor: Doug Richardson and Britney Mazzer

VETERINARIAN (on call):
Richard Wheeler, DVM Poudre River Veterinary Clinic
970-227-2320

Motels That Will Accept Dogs

Days Inn, 7860 6th Street, Wellington, CO (970) 568-0444
Days Inn, 3624 E. Mulberry, Fort Collins, CO (970) 221-5490
Fort Collins LaQuinta, 3709 E. Mulberry, Fort Collins, CO (970) 493-7800
Motel 6, 3900 E. Mulberry, Fort Collins, CO (970) 482-6466
Sleep Inn, 3808 E. Mulberry, Fort Collins, CO (970) 484-5515 (dog friendly, mention BVKC)
Mulberry Inn, I-25, Ault exit 269A, 4333 East Mulberry, Fort Collins, CO (970) 493-9000
Plaza Inn, I-25, exit 269B, 3836 E. Mullberry, Ft. Collins, CO (970)484-4660

RVs & Travel Trailer Accommodations

Space for parking of RVs and travel trailers is available on trial site, but RVs must be self-contained (No RV Hookups), $15 nightly fee.

Hot drinks and water will be available for exhibitors. You will need to bring shade/water for your dog. Potluck lunch each day – please bring a side dish to share.
If you are planning to enter day of event – please send an email to ranchoterranorte@hotmail.com, or text to 970-391-6559 so we can add you to the running order by 8 PM the evening prior to the trial.

Schedule of events: ***Weather dependent – schedule may be adjusted depending on current weather conditions.***
Friday 9:00AM: BTD (level III, Level II then Level I), Goats then Sheep. HTD (III, Level II, Level I) goats then sheep (Judge David Stanford).

Saturday: 9:00 AM: HRD Mixed sheep and goats (level III, Level II then Level I) Judge Lauren Sandrin.

Sunday: 9:00 AM: HTAD (level III, Level II then Level I), sheep then goats (Judge David Stanford). HTD (III, Level II, Level I) goats then sheep. Judge Lauren Sandrin). HCT/JHD (Leg 1 Dave Stanford). HCT/JHD (Leg 2 Lauren Sandrin) to follow conclusion of HTAD runs. JBD (Levels III, Level II, Level I) (Judges Lauren Sandrin, leg 1/David Stanford, leg 2)

Boundary Trial Dog Course
Judge: David Stanford
Friday, November 27, 2026

Optional Course Elements – Hot Chocolate Stand and Bridge with Distraction
Judge David Stanford, Course Director: Siobhan Flaherty

Start with 15+ flock in the large Red Free-Standing Pen (Night Pen) located in the northeast corner of the C course Field. Remember that all gates must be in the same configuration as when the element began – closed gates must be closed and open gates left open before moving on to the next task.

1. **Level III only task – Mandatory element – 10 pts:** Flock examination/grab and hold – Inspection for stock soundness at the Night Pen. Prior to taking the stock from the night pen, the Level 3 Shepherd and dog will enter the pen and exam the flock. The Shepherd will then grab and hold an animal designated by the judge.
2. **Night Pen - mandatory element (10 pts):** Stock is removed from the pen through the gate of the pen into the Trap. The dog must prevent the escape of the flock while the Shepherd opens the gate. After leaving the pen, the flock is turned left and head south on the East Farm Road and turn left at the next farm road towards moving graze.
3. **Moving Graze - mandatory element (10 pts):** When the flock reaches the markers for the moving graze, the flock is encouraged to slow and eat their way through the graze from the north to south.
   a. **Level 1:** Shepherds guide the sheep out the south border of the moving graze then head west on the Bridge road
   b. **Level 2:** Shepherds may move to the top of the graze (south end) to assist the dog with the reverse. Then the flock is encouraged to eat their way through the graze back to the north end.
   c. **Level 3:** Shepherds are not allowed to go past the marker set 25 Ft from the southern border. The Shepherd must signal the judge when they are preparing to reverse directions of the graze. The turn of the flock should include 3 stops of the dog with the 3rd being the point when the flock reverses. The dog then exits the graze.

   Once the flock reaches the north end of the graze, Level 2 and 3 Shepherds will lead them back to the East Farm Road and their assigned stationary graze.

4. **Stationary Graze - mandatory element (15 pts):** The dog is responsible for keeping the flock in a designated graze area for a period. Working independently and with the flock feeling comfortable with the dog and able to eat. Grazes will be entered/exit from the middle of the graze on the East Farm Road side. Once the judge declares the graze is complete, the Shepherd and dog gather the flock from their assigned graze and head on the East Farm Road to the Bridge Road.
   a. **Level 3 –** (Alternating pink & green grazes) 10-12 minutes
   b. **Level 2 –** (Alternating pink & green grazes) 7 – 9 minutes
   c. **Level 1 –** (Alternating white & purple grazes) 4 – 6 minutes

5. **Bridge – Elective element (10 pts):** Level 1 and 2 lead the flock through the bridge while the dog remains at the entrance to ensure all enter, then follows through the bridge behind the flock. Level 3 – The Shepherd leads the flock through the bridge, but there is a hiker on the other side waiting to go across after the sheep. The hiker converses actively with the shepherd as he walks across the bridge after the dog passes. The dog should remain with the flock – not follow the hiker.

6. **Traffic Road/Vehicle Pass: Mandatory element (10 pts):** While on the road, the level 3 and 2 Shepherds will encounter a car passing from the front. The Shepherd and dog move the flock off the road to the right to allow the car to pass, then return to the road. There will be a second pass from the rear for Level 3. Level 1 Shepherds – the car is stationary

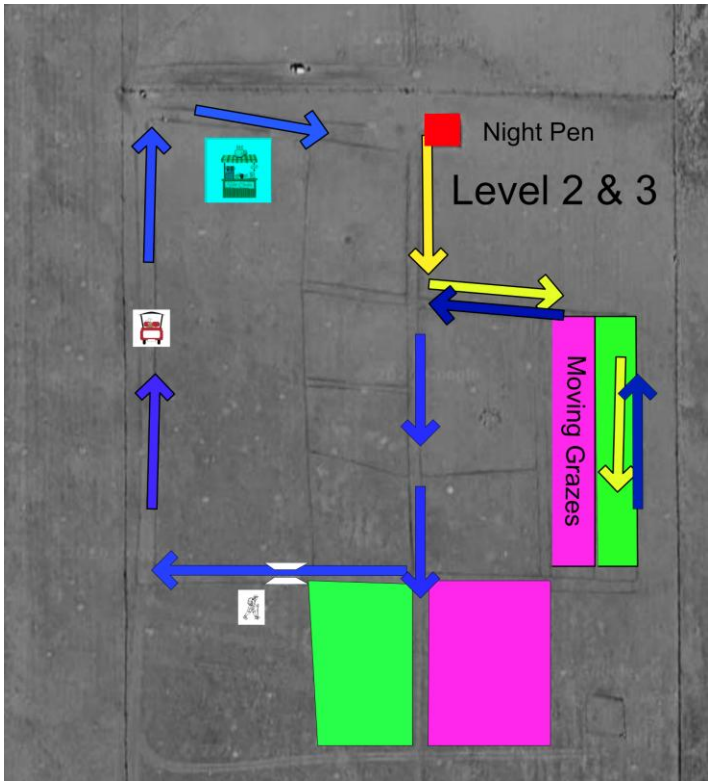
7. **Hot Chocolate Stand Elective element (10 pts):** Midway from Richardson Road (traffic road) and the North Farm Road, there will be a Hot Chocolate stand with people sitting at the table near the road. Stock is moved past the stand with the dog and Shepherd working to keep the flock off the stand.
   a. **Level 3** - The handler will settle the stock off the road across the road having the dog hold the stock while the handler accepts a mug with hot chocolate and drinks its contents. Upon finishing - the handler hands the cup back to the server and will return the stock to the road and continue to the stop sign.
   b. **Level 2** - The server will bring the mug with hot chocolate to the handler in the road. The dog holds the stock in place as the handler drinks the hot chocolate. Upon finishing, the handler and dog continue on the road with the stock toward the stop sign. The dog ensures that the stock do not enter the stand.
   c. **Level 1** - The servers will offer the handler hot chocolate - but the handler politely declines and continues with the stock down the road. The dog ensures the stock stay on the road and does not enter the stand.

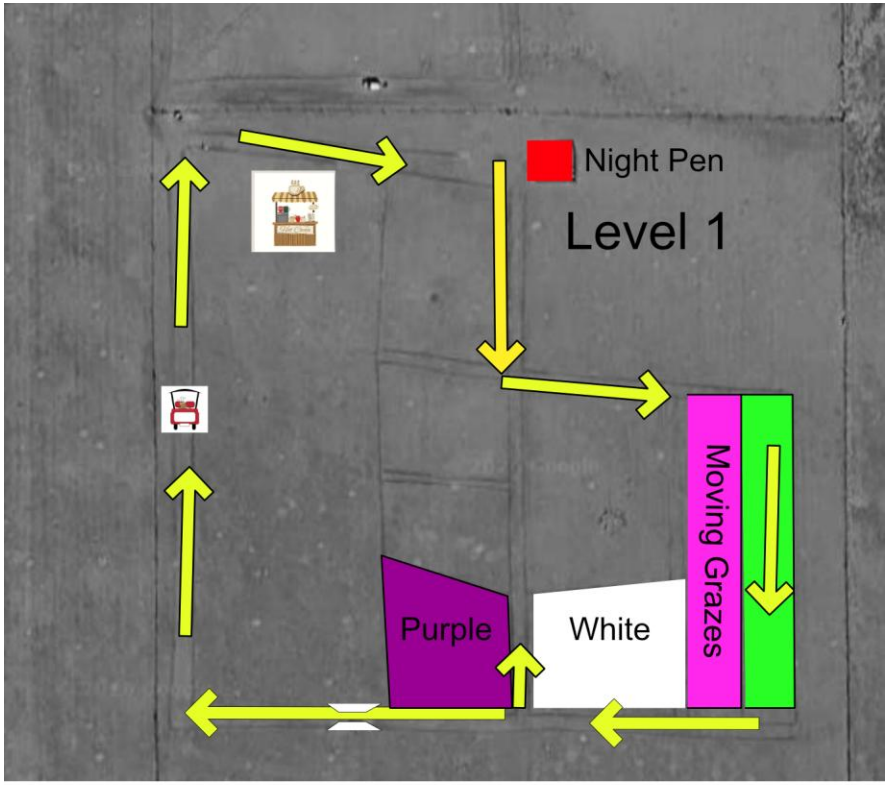
8. **Re-Pen – Mandatory element (10 pts):** At the night pen, the dog is positioned to hold the flock off the gate to allow the shepherd access to the gate and is opened fully to allow the flock to enter the pen. Once everyone is in the pen and the gate is closed, time ends.

9. Roadwork/General Behavior-Mandatory - 15 pts:

Basic Course Information –

- The course terrain is native prairie grass, due to droughty conditions – we have a lot of granite gravel that can be harsh to some dog's feet.
- There are no "Out of Bounds" on this Course.
- Road and graze boundaries are marked by furrows with electric fence posts designating corners. Bridge is elevated gravel bottom
- Approximate course distances in feet: Level I – 2570ft/ 857yards Level II 3004 ft/1001 yards Level III 3004/1001 yards
- Optional Alternate Elements: Bridge with distraction and Hot Chocolate Stand with people.
- The moving graze 303 ft/100 yards x 50ft. Level 1 stationary graze 100 ft/33 yards x 135 ft/45 yards. Level 2 & 3 stationary graze 135 ft/45 yards x 210 ft/70 yards.




Night Pen
Level 1
Moving Grazes
Purple
White

RTN - HRDm (Sheep and goats) Course
Saturday, November 28, 2026 – 20 minutes

Judge: Lauren Sandrin, Course Director: Lio Blackwell

Start with 10 head of sheep in the A course arena (5 with collars, 5 without) and 6 head of goats (3 with collars, 3 without) in the PT arena. Handler and dog enters A course from NE green gate.

1. **(10 pts) Gather**: all 10 sheep are gathered from the arena and moved through the exhaust pen and into the alleyway…
    a. H1 – Dog is positioned halfway to the stock and handler may approach up to 15 ft of the stock.
    b. H2 – Dog is positioned at the gate and handler may approach halfway to the stock
    c. H3 – Handler and dog are positioned at the gate.
2. **(10 pts) Sort**: Gate Sort 5 sheep into the HT arena through the alleyway gate, leaving balance in the alleyway.
    a. H1 – sort any 5 sheep
    b. H2 – sort atleast 3 with a collars
    c. H3 – sort 5 with collars or 5 without collars
3. **(10 pts) Free-standing Pen:** Pen the 5 sheep in the HT arena into the free-standing pen.

Dog and Handler enter the PT arena to the take pen at the SW corner

4. **(10 pts) Take Pen:** Goats are removed from the pen and moved them to the handlers post (orange cone).

5. **(10 pts) Fetch/Drive:** From the cone, fetch/drive to the Northwest corner of the arena and turn clockwise around panel – fetch/drive sheep to the northeast corner around the panel. Proceed to PT holding pen in southwest corner of arena.
    a. **H1 –** Fetch/drive the stock
    b. **H2 –** Fetch/drive to east end of the first panel, then dog must drive the balance until stock are around the east panel.
    c. **H3 –** Fetch/drive to the H3 handler's line, then dog must drive the balance until the stock are around the east panel.
6. **(10 PTS) Exhaust**: Repen Goats into the PT exhaust pen with a hold off the gate.

7. **(10 pts) Chute/gatework:** Handler and dog enter exhaust pen and stock is run through the handling chute. Once livestock are in the chute, the entrance gate is closed, guillotine gate is lowered, and dog and handler go through the alleyway and the south holding pen to the east side of the handling system, leaving gates open. The handler opens the gate to the south holding pen and using the silver sorting gate, allows the goats access to the south sorting pen. Dog and handler then follow goats back into the larger PT holding pen and exit. (H3 Handler returns back to the handling system pen)
    a. H1 & H2– All stock is sorted into the south holding pen.
    b. H3 – Using the sorting gate, goats with collars are sorted into the instinct testing area, those without collars are sorted into the south holding pen.
8. **(10 pts) * H3 Special Task:** Stock sorted into the instinct test area are gathered and moved through the side gate back into the PT holding pen.

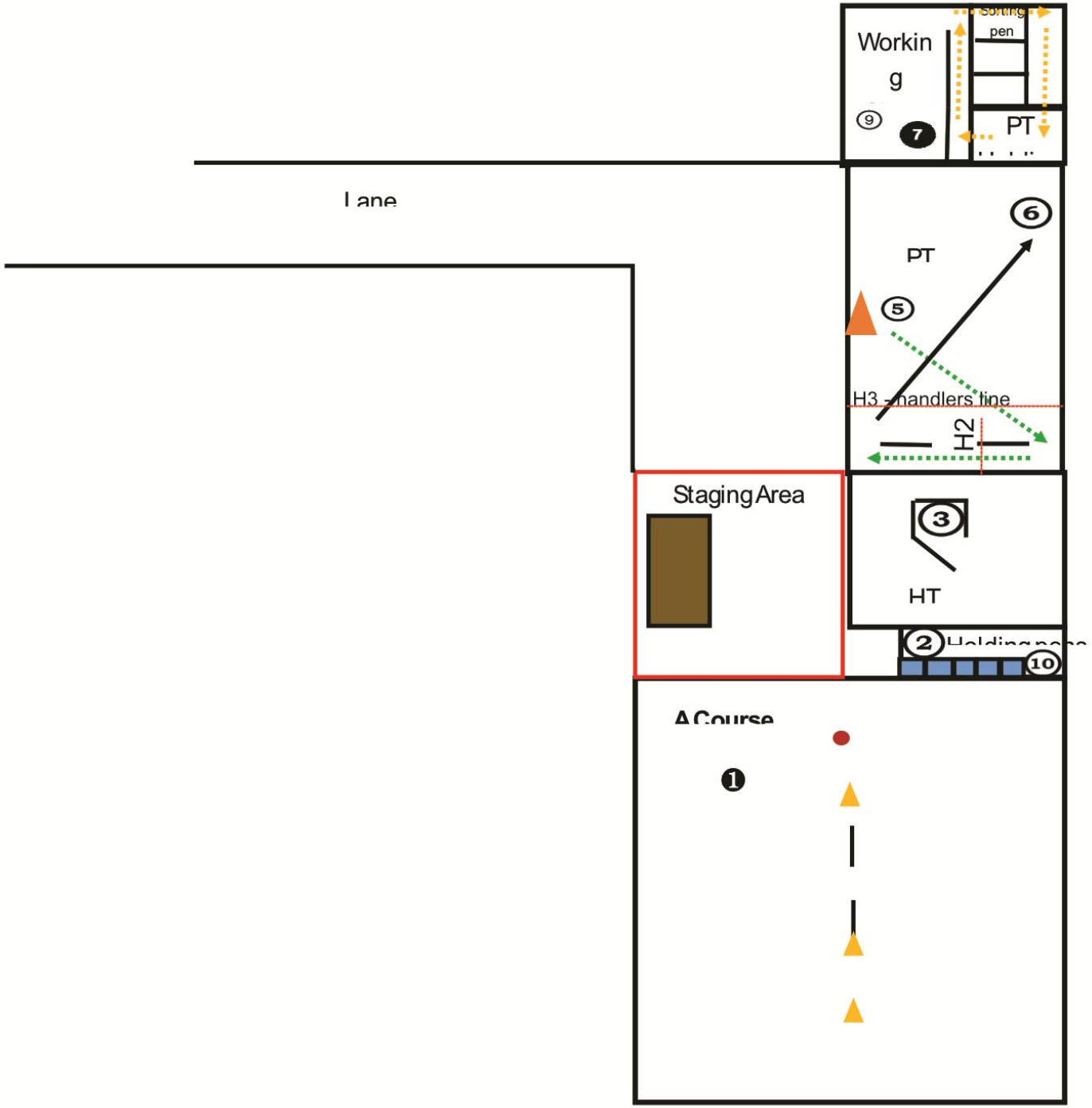
Dog and handler return to the HT arena.

9. **(10 pts) Unpenning/gatework**: Unpen the sheep from the free-standing pen and repen into the alleyway with the other sheep.

10. **(10 Pts) Gatework/alleyway**: Take all the sheep through alleyway and exhaust into the A course

Time Ends when handler and dog exit the north HT arena gate.

Tie breaker #1 – Best score on #7
Tie breaker #2 – Best score on #2


Workin
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Sorting
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H3 - handlers line
H2
Staging Area
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A Course
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AGREEMENT

In consideration for participation in an event sanctioned by the American Herding Breed Association (AHBA) and held at Rancho Terra Norte home of Val Manning and Doug Richardson, I (we) 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 (us) or the dog(s) I (we) have entered in or brought to this event. I (we) further agree that I (we) will hold the AHBA, its officers, directors, agents and members and Val Manning and Doug Richardson, and their employees/help working this event, 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. I (we) agree to indemnify the AHBA, its officers, directors, agents or members and Val Manning and Doug Richardson, and associated persons, for any loss, cost or expenses, including attorney fees and costs, to which the AHBA, its officers, directors, agents or members and Val Manning and Doug Richardson, and associated persons might be subject as a result of any claim, suit, loss or damage caused in any way by any act or negligence on my (our) part or on the part of any dog(s) I (we) have entered in or brought to this event. I (we) acknowledge that while the AHBA may provide sanctioning for this event with regard to the issuing of titles, it and Val Manning and Doug Richardson, and associated persons do not have and do not exercise control over the conduct of those present. I (we) certify and represent that the dog(s) I (we) 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(s). In case of any injury to any stock caused by the dog(s) entered or said dog(s) actions thereof, I (we) will assume total responsibility for any damage. I (we) agree to pay the full market value, as set forth and noted in this event's premium, of the injured animal in case of serious injury, or the veterinarian bill or its equivalent if the injury is slight.

Signature of entrant: X_____

TELEPHONE # _____

E-Mail: _____



AMERICAN HERDING BREED ASSOCIATION ENTRY FORM

Rancho Terra Norte' 1227 E. County Road 82 Wellington, CO 80549

AHBA BTDsg, on Friday, Nov 27, 2026. HRDm on Saturday, Nov. 28, 2026 and HTADsg, HTDsg, JBDg, all levels, JHD, HCT on Sunday Nov. 39, 2026.

Entry Fees – JBD/JHD/HCT $45. BTD & HRD $60. HTAD & HTD $55 (day of event entries + $5)

Closing when limits reached. **Entry limit: 12 BTD, 15 HRD, 25 HTAD/HTD and 10 tests combined**.

Day of entries accepted ONLY as space and/or time allows.

Online entries accepted at www.ranchoterranorte.com (online store)

Mail entries with fees to **Val Manning 1227 E County Road 82, Wellington, CO 80549**

Make check or money order payable to Terra Norte'. All entry fees payable in U.S. Funds. Use a separate entry form for each dog entered or if entry is different between each trial but entering all trials. I enclose $_____ for entry fees.

IMPORTANT -- Read and Sign Reverse Side before completing. Must sign on signature line.

Breed: _____ Sex: _____ DATE of Birth_____

"Exhibition only" classes are offered at these trials.

Trial Class – check the box for the class you wish to enter.

FRIDAY	SATURDAY MIXED	SUNDAY GOATS	SUNDAY SHEEP	SUN TESTS/LEG 1	SUN TESTS/LEG 2
☐ BTD I, GOATS	☐ HRD 1	☐ HTADg 1 (#2)	☐ HTADs 1 (#2)	☐ JHDg (LEG 1)	☐ JHDg (Leg 2)
☐ BTD 2, GOAT	☐ HRD 2	☐ HTADg 2 (#2)	☐ HTADs 2 (#2)	☐ JBDg level 1	☐ JBDg Level 1
☐ BTD 3, GOAT	☐ HRD 3	☐ HTADg 3 (#2)	☐ HTADs 3 (#2)	☐ JBDg level 2	☐ JBDg Level 2
☐ BTD 1, SHEEP		☐ HTDg 1	☐ HTDs 1	☐ JBDg level 3	☐ JBDg Level 3
☐ BTD 2. SHEEP		☐ HTDg 2	☐ HTDs 2	☐ HCTg (leg 1)	☐ HCTg (Leg 2)
☐ BTD 3, SHEEP		☐ HTDg 3	☐ HTDs 3	☐ HCT/Bg (leg 1)	☐ HCT/Bg (leg 1)

Non-Compete: ____ CH Pts: ____

Full Name of Dog:

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Registry & Number: Call Name:

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Breeder:

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Sire:

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Dam:

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Actual Owner(s):

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Owner's Address:

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City State Zip

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Name of Handler: If not owner.

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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 by any additional rules and regulations appearing in the premium list for this event and further agree to be bound by the "Agreement" printed on the reverse side of this entry form. I (we) certify and represent that the dog entered is not a hazard to person(s) or other dogs. This entry is submitted for acceptance on the foregoing representation and agreement: