Entries Close on **Friday, March 27, 2015 at 12:00 Noon, CDT** after which time entries cannot be accepted, cancelled, altered, or substituted as provided for in Chapter 11, Section 6 of the Rules Applying to Dog Shows.

**Premium List**

United States Australian Shepherd Association, Inc.
Member of the American Kennel Club
www.australianshepherds.org

Presents 2 AKC Obedience Trials and Rally Trials
held in conjunction with the 23rd National Specialty Show
This event is accepting entries for mixed-breed dogs enrolled in the AKC Canine Partners Program

THE PURINA EVENT CENTER
300 Checkerboard Loop, Gray Summit, MO 63039
Indoors on padded flooring - Unbenched – Climate-controlled building

Obedience and Rally are open to all AKC Registered Breeds
*Option 2: Entries for Australian Shepherds only will be accepted until closing and then entries for all other breeds will be accepted until the limits are reached.

Entries limited to 7 hours of judging each trial

**OBEDIENCE TRIAL CLASSES**

Qualifying Score Required For All Prizes in Regular Classes
“Dog” means either sex

**Bitches in Season:** A refund of each entry fee less a fee of $5.00 per trial will be given provided a written notification from a veterinarian is submitted to the Trial Secretary before the start of judging.

A Dark Green Qualifying Score Rosette will be awarded to each dog earning a qualifying score in each Regular Class.

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Obedience entries must include dog’s jump height if applicable.

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**PRO PLAN**

**Fuel The Champion Within**

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**AWARDS/ROSETTES – ALL REGULAR CLASSES**

1st place .................. Blue Rosette 3rd place ..................... Yellow Rosette
2nd place .................. Red Rosette 4th place ..................... White Rosette

Qualifying Score Required For All Prizes in Regular Classes

High scorers in Regular Classes: 
- Highest Combined Score in Rally Obedience Classes: Blue & Gold Rosette
- Highest Combined Score in Obedience Advanced B & Excellent B: Blue & Green Rosette
- Highest Combined Score in Rally Advanced B & Excellent B: Blue & Green Rosette
- New Title: Rosette

**OBEEDIENCE PRIZES**

**Thursday, April 16, 2015 – Australian Shepherds:**
- High in Trial: Framed and matted National Logo art print
- Highest Combined Score in Open B and Utility Classes: Framed and matted National Logo art print
- First in Each Regular Class: Logo note cards and custom lead
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*NEW TITLE* ROSETTES OFFERED TO ANY DOG FINISHING AN OBEEDIENCE TITLE AT THIS TRIAL

**JUMP HEIGHT ORDER**

Obedience and Rally classes will be run short-to-tall each trial. Every effort will be made to accommodate handlers with multiple dogs in the same class.

**TRANSFERS**

Transfers will be allowed according to AKC Regulations, provided that the written request is received at least 30 minutes prior to the start of the trial.

**TRIAL INFORMATION**

- The building is available for set-up on Wednesday, April 15 at 8:00 a.m.
- Trial hours are 7:00 a.m. to 30 minutes after the trial in completed.
- Ring-side crating will be allowed at these trials. Please refer to the Notice to Exhibitors – Show Site in the Master Premium List for additional information.
- Please bring crates and water for your dogs and clean up supplies. All crates must be on mats, carpet or some other material that will protect the floor.
- No outside food or beverage is allowed on Purina Farms property. Violators will be reported to AKC.

Judges for run-offs will be determined on the day of the trial.

**SHOW PHOTOGRAPHERS**

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"NEW TITLE" ROSETTES OFFERED TO ANY DOG FINISHING A RALLY TITLE AT THIS TRIAL

The following prizes are offered by Purina on Thursday and Friday –
Australian Shepherds:

High in Trial Obedience and Rally: Purina Pro Plan rolling Cooler Bag
Obedience – 1st place in class: Purina Pro Plan Small Thermal Sack offered by Purina
Rally – 1st place in class: Purina Pro Plan Six Pack Cooler offered by Purina

ALL PRIZES, IF NOT AWARDED IN THE RING, MUST BE PICKED UP DURING THE EVENT AT THE PRO PLAN BOOTH. PRESENTATION OF THE WINNING RIBBON IS REQUIRED. PRO PLAN RESERVES THE RIGHT TO MAKE PRIZE SUBSTITUTIONS OF EQUAL OR GREATER VALUE IN THE EVENT A SPECIFIC LISTED PRIZE IS NOT AVAILABLE.

JUDGING ASSIGNMENTS

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OBEDIENCE & RALLY ENTRY INFORMATION

Obedience
First Obedience Entry of Each Dog Per Day ..............................................$30.00
Each Additional Obedience Entry of the Same Dog Per Day ..........................$20.00

Rally
First Rally Entry of Each Dog per day .........................................................$30.00
Each Additional Rally Entry of the Same Dog Per Day .................................$20.00

NOTE: Obedience fees include the .50 recording fee and the $3.00 AKC Event Service Fee. Rally fees include a $3.50 recording fee for the first entry and $3.00 recording fee for each additional entry.

The first entry in Obedience and the first entry in Rally are each first entry fees.

Make checks payable to USASA.
Mail entry forms and fees to:
Lab Tested Secretary Services
632 N. Forest Avenue
Webster Groves, MO 63119

FAX entries will be accepted with payment by credit card (MC/Visa/Discover). FAX your entries to 314-222-9212. You must include the credit card number, cardholder name, expiration date, and complete billing address. FAX entries will be charged a 5% service fee for processing. FAX forms are available at http://www.labtestedsecretary.com.

All entries must be submitted on official AKC entry forms, one dog per entry form. Photocopies of entry forms without the AKC Agreement are not acceptable. Unsigned, incomplete, or illegible entries are not acceptable.

If you would like confirmation that your entry was received before the trial has closed, please include your email address or enclose a self-addressed stamped postcard. Entries cannot be changed once the trial has closed. Please check your entries!

DOGS ELIGIBLE TO ENTER

This trial is open to all dogs six (6) months of age or older that are registered with the American Kennel Club or that have AKC Limited Registration, Purebred Alternative Listing/Indefinite Listing Privileges (PAL/ILP) or an AKC Canine Partners listing number, or are approved Foundation Stock Service (FSS) breeds.

Dogs with a PAL/ILP number or an AKC Canine Partners listing number must be spayed or neutered in order to compete. Dogs should be physically sound. Dogs that are blind or deaf, bitches in season, aggressive dogs, or dogs suffering from any deformity, injury, or illness which may affect a dog’s physical or mental performance are not eligible to compete. No dog shall compete if it is taped or bandaged in any way or has anything attached to it for medical purposes. Refer to Chapter 2 of the Rules Applying to Registration and Discipline for the listing of registerable breeds that may participate.

Wherever the word “dog” is used in these regulations, it includes both sexes.
The United States Australian Shepherd Association may cancel this event in extreme weather conditions.

Entry fees will not be refunded if the trials cannot be opened or completed by reason of riots, civil disturbance, fire, an act of God, public emergency, an act of a public enemy, or any other cause beyond the control of the organizing committee.

It is expressly understood that exhibitors alone are responsible for the behavior of their dogs and/or children. Any exhibitor whose dogs and/or children create unnecessary disturbances or repeatedly engage in unsafe or disruptive behavior may, at the discretion of the Event Committee, be asked to leave the trial site. In such case, no refund of any fees paid will be made.

All dogs must be on leash or crated at all times except when in the ring.

Exhibitors are responsible for being ready for judging when called to the ring. The judge need not wait for any dog holding up a class. The United States Australian Shepherd Club has no obligation or responsibility for providing service through a public address system or steward for the purpose of calling or locating dogs that are not brought to the ring when required.

Since bitches in season are not allowed to compete in AKC Obedience or Rally Trials, the club will refund all but $5.00 of the entry fee per trial for bitches unable to compete for that reason. The Trial Secretary must receive written notification of such a claim for refund by letter hand-delivered, emailed, or postmarked before the trial commences.

Entries must be made on Official AKC entry forms or copies and must include the signed Agreement and Rules. Junior Handlers must enter their JH# and complete any errors. No entry will be refunded in the event of such errors or cancellation of entries after the published closing date. Errors in entries made by the exhibitor cannot be corrected after the closing date. No refunds for duplicate entries.

Returned checks do not constitute a valid entry fee. There is a $25 returned check fee.

No refunds will be issued for overpayment of less than $10.

No dogs may be transferred to another class except as provided for in Chapter 1, Section 16A/B of the Obedience Regulations.

Exhibitors should follow their veterinarians’ recommendation to assure their dogs are free of internal and external parasites and any communicable diseases and have appropriate vaccinations.

The United States Australian Shepherd Association does not agree to arbitrate claims as set forth on the Official AKC entry form for this event.

Exhibitors are responsible for cleaning up after their dog(s). Any exhibitor failing to do so may be excused without benefit of refund if the Event Committee deems the exhibitor to be in violation of this requirement.

The United States Australian Shepherd Association, their Board, Members, and Nestlé Purina Farms and its employees will not be liable for any loss or injury which may be sustained through disappearance, loss, theft, communicable disease, parasites, injury and/or death of dogs entered in this event.

No smoking is allowed in the Event Center.

Please check the Master Premium list for information regarding the Annual Banquet, RV Parking, Grooming, General Membership meeting, and other events.

Make reservations early, as this is a resort area. When making reservations, indicate you are with the “Australian Shepherd National Specialty” at Purina Farms.

There are many other hotels/motels/campgrounds in the area. For a listing of other hotels/motels/campgrounds as well as restaurants refer to the Purina Farms web-site at www.purinafarms.com

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AGREEMENT

I (we) agree that the club holding this event has the right to refuse this entry for cause which the club shall deem sufficient. In consideration of the acceptance of this entry and of the holding of this event and of the opportunity to have the dog judged and to win prizes, ribbons, or trophies, I (we) agree to hold the AKC, the event-giving club, their members, directors, governors, officers, agents, superintendents or event secretary and the owner and/or lessor of the premises and any provider of services that are necessary to hold this event and any employees or volunteers of the aforementioned parties, and any AKC-approved judge, judging at this event, harmless from any claim for loss or injury which may be alleged to have been caused directly or indirectly to any person or thing by the act of this dog while in or about the event premises or grounds or near any entrance thereof, and I (we) personally assume all responsibility and liability for any such claim, and I (we) further agree to hold the aforementioned parties harmless from any claim for loss, injury or damage to the dog.

Additionally, I (we) hereby assume the sole responsibility for and agree to indemnify, defend and save the aforementioned parties harmless from any and all loss and expenses (including legal fees) by reason of the liability imposed by law upon any of the aforementioned parties for damage because of bodily injuries, including death, at any time resulting therefrom, sustained by any person or persons, including myself (ourselves), or on account of damage to property, arising out of or in consequence of my (our) participation in this event, however such injuries, death or property damage may be caused, and whether or not the same may have been caused or may be alleged to have been caused by the negligence of the aforementioned parties or any of their employees, agents, or any other persons.

I (we) agree that any cause of action, controversy or claim arising out of or related to the entry, exhibition or attendance at the event between the construction, interpretation and effect of this agreement shall be settled by arbitration pursuant to the applicable rules of the American Arbitration Association. However, prior to arbitration all applicable AKC bylaws, rules, regulations and procedures must first be followed as set forth in the AKC charter and bylaws, rules, regulations, published policies and guidelines.

INSTRUCTIONS

1. (Variety) If you are entering a dog of a breed in which there are varieties for show purposes, please designate the particular variety you are entering, i.e., Cocker Spaniel (solid color black, ASCOB, parti-color); Beagles (not exceeding 13 inches, over 13 in., but not exceeding 15 in.); Dachshunds (longhaired, smooth, wirehaired); Collies (rough, smooth); Bull Terriers (colored, white); Manchester Terriers (standard, toy); Chihuahuas (smooth coat, long coat); English Toy Spaniels (King Charles and Ruby, Blenheim and Prince Charles); Poodles (toy, miniature, standard).

2. The following categories of dogs may be entered and shown in Best of Breed competition: Dogs that are Champions of Record and dogs which according to their owners’ records, have completed the requirements for a championship, but whose championships are unconfirmed. The showing of unconfirmed Champions in Best of Breed competition is limited to a period of 50 days from the date of the show where the dog completed the requirements for a championship.

3. (Event Class) Consult the classification in this premium list. If the dog show class in which you are entering your dog is divided, then, in addition to redesignating the class, specify the particular division of the class in which you are entering your dog, i.e., age, division, color, division, weight division.

4. A dog must be entered in the name of the person who actually owned it at the time entries for a show 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 show 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 name. Name on entry form whether transfer application has been made to AKC. (For complete rules, refer to Chapter 11, Section 3.)
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