This is your final confirmation for High Octane Agility's April 30, May 1 and 2, 2021 Agility Trial. You are responsible for reading this entire confirmation as it contains important information for the weekend. THERE ARE CHANGES!

We will be using TWO RINGS on Saturday. Judge Ashley Anderson will be judging Starters/PI classes as well as all Combined Pairs classes in the Red Building on Saturday.

Carefully check all information listed below and contact me immediately with any discrepancies at litlbigdog@gmail.com.

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THERE CAN BE NO CHANGES REGARDLESS OF FAULT AFTER THE RUNNING ORDER IS AVAILABLE (BY WEDNESDAY, APRIL 28, 2021). ANY CHANGES AFTER THE RUNNING ORDER IS AVAILABLE WILL BE ASSESSED A \$5 FEE PER CHANGE PAYABLE TO HIGH OCTANE AGILITY REGARDLESS OF FAULT

Double check your dog's registration number, jump height and level of class entered. If you indicated a specific pairs partner and it is not correct, please contact me ASAP.

DO NOT WAIT TO SEE THE RUN ORDER AS PRINTING HAS BEEN DONE BY THEN AND YOU WILL BE ASSESSED A FEE FOR ANY CHANGES

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Social Distancing & COVID-19 Safety Measures

We are pleased to offer an opportunity for competitors and others to get out and enjoy events with their dogs. So that we do not risk any setbacks that may impact future events, please join us in following safe practices recommended by the U.S. Center for Disease Control and other State and local health agencies:

Maintain social distancing (of both you and your dog) from others to the extent possible;

Wear a mask in confined spaces where social distancing is not possible (e.g., briefings, walk-throughs, walk-ways, restrooms, parking lots, and vending areas

Be aware of items that you touch that may have been touched by others (e.g., wear gloves if you are touching things that are touched by others)

Avoid touching your face

Wash your hands often with soap and water and/or use hand sanitizers (gels, wipes, etc.); please bring your own to assure availability

Bring your own food and refreshments, if allowed

This is not a complete list. Please visit the Center for Disease Control website or other State and local health agencies for guidance, as measures may vary by geographic region.

To contribute to this effort, please bring your own sanitizers, gloves, masks, food, and beverage to assure availability. Please be accepting of changes from past practices as we seek new ways keep everyone as safe as possible. We are doing our best to address specific measures that we could put in

place to promote safety during this event, including, but not limited to change in ring operation procedures, prepping volunteers, judges, and staff in safe practices.

While we hope that the environment for public gatherings continues to improve, BE AWARE that safety measures could change and additional measures imposed at any time.

By all means, if you have been exposed to anyone that may have been exposed or infected with a virus or flu within two weeks prior to the event, or if you are feeling ill, please self-isolate and stay home, knowing that we will happily welcome you at a future trial.

Additional health and/or safety measures may required by the facility owner at which this event is being held, or by the Event Organizer. Such statements may be included in this test schedule, in the event confirmation, or posted on site at Check-In for this event. Failure to comply with these requirements, as well as other provisions in this test schedule are subject to disciplinary action as described in Appendix C to USDAA Official Rules & Regulations, which could result in dismissal from the event and/or cancellation of all results from performance at the event, without recourse

## TRIAL SITE INFORMATION & GENERAL RULES

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POTTY AREA for humans will be indoors in the green (original) metal building. No dogs are allowed in the restrooms.

POTTY AREA for the dogs is to the right side of the red metal building (where the fabric building used to be). Please do not let your dogs potty on or near the buildings, this includes the area between the buildings. There will be a \$10 fine assessed to anyone not using the designated potty area.

Absolutely no competitors/dogs are allowed to the left side as you are coming up the long driveway.

The building will be open at 6:45 am all three days. Exhibitors should not arrive prior to 6:45 am.

There is no set up on Thursday.

Measuring and check-in will be from 7:00 am to 7:45 am all three days.

Judging will begin at 8:00 am all three days.

Orchard Hills is located on private property and is NOT open to the public outside of event hours. Waiting on the driveway or on Church Street prior to the facility opening is not allowed. The premises are closed when the show committee leaves for the day and all competitors must exit by that time.

Admission on the premises outside of stated hours is not permitted and is considered trespassing. If you need access to the property outside of stated hours due to extenuating circumstances, you will need to obtain permission of the show chairperson and/or the property owner. If you find yourself arriving early for the event, there is a Turkey Hill north on 100 and Redners and Dunkin Donuts south on 100.

Competitors must be present with dogs immediately following the class in which an award is earned in order to claim prizes and awards. All prizes and awards must be claimed on the day awarded.

Dogs must remain on leash at all times except when competing in the ring or in the warm up area.

No celebratory balloons are permitted on the premises. These have caused damage to the fans inside the buildings in the past.

No portable propane heaters are permitted in either building.

All kenneling and parking will be restricted to designated areas. Crating space is limited. Crating inside the buildings is first come, first serve. Ex-pens allowed as long as being used for 3 or more dogs.

Please respect our crating and parking assistants, your cooperation is expected.

Obey the speed limit when driving on North Church Street. Police have been known to issue tickets for speeding.

## **UPDATE TO TEST SCHEDULE**

We will be using TWO RINGS on Saturday. Judge Ashley Anderson will be judging Starters/PI classes as well as all Combined Pairs classes in the Red Building on Saturday.

We will be allowing Bitches in Season (BIS) and Fix & Continue at this trial in accordance with USDAA policies available at:

http:usdaa.com/gen\_formDoc.cfm under Official USDAA Policy Statements.

For BIS, we will allow WELL FITTING sanitary britches (no droopy drawers!!) or starting on a mat (please bring your own) BIS will run in their assigned order in the run order with a BIS marked beside their name. Please let the gate steward know for all BIS so that we can mark them appropriately. For Standard classes, all BIS will run at the end of the class and the table will be cleaned before the next class.

BIS must wear sanitary britches when they are on the event grounds at all times except when in the potty area or when, if the competitor decides to start on a mat, at the practice jump or when in the competition ring. BIS should be kenneled away from the other dogs to the extent possible. The handler should exercise good sportsmanship by minimizing the exposure of their BIS to other dogs and limiting their movements about the grounds. Please see the official policy statement for full explanation.

For Fix & Continue, the competitor will be allowed to immediately repeat any obstacle (other than a spread hurdle or long jump) if it is faulted or if the dog, in the competitor's sole discretion, did not meet their desired performance criteria, thereby incurring an elimination. The competitor may repeat one or more relevent preceding obstacles prior to the point of error if it beneficial to their performance of the obstacle. A Fix and Continue may be employed only once during a run. Once an elimination has been scored, the maximum course time shall be retroactively established at 60 seconds. Please see the official policy statement for full explanation.

## **VENDORS**

There are 2 vendors planning to be in attendance at our trial this weekend.

Christina Turner from Christina and Canines will be selling her custom dog beds and crate pads. These are high quality products that your dog will love. Check out her page on facebook at <a href="https://www.facebook.com/christinaandcanines">https://www.facebook.com/christinaandcanines</a>

Dr. Lauren Blackson is also planning to be at our trial on Saturday to offer 30 minute canine PT sessions. This is a great opportunity to have Lauren check out your dogs so they can feel their best while running on Mike's courses. As Lauren is currently not running a dog, we do need a minimum number of pre-registrations for Lauren to make the trip. You can pre-register at <a href="https://highoctaneagility.regfox.com/lauren-may1-2021">https://highoctaneagility.regfox.com/lauren-may1-2021</a>

FOOD
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There will be no food vendor on site, please plan accordingly.
VOLUNTEERS
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We need all volunteers!! Please sign up with your ring princess each day.
Every little bit helps, so even setting bars for 5 dogs is greatly appreciated!
RV PARKING
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Overnight RV parking was limited and required to be reserved. All spots have been reserved, so do not plan on any overnight parking if you have not already reserved your spot. Cindy and Vin

Overnight RV parking was limited and required to be reserved. All spots have been reserved, so please do not plan on any overnight parking if you have not already reserved your spot. Cindy and Vincent Madeiros will be assisting with parking of RVs. It is important to note that the ground may be wet and RV be responsible for any fees that may be incurred if they get stuck - this includes but is not limited to towing and repair of ground.

MOVE UPS

Day to day move ups are offered at this trial.

Competitors are responsible for keeping accurate records of their qualifying scores and the judges from whom these scores were earned prior to this event to ensure that the dog is eligible to move up based upon scores earned at this event. Competitors are advised to confirm scores earned with the

scorekeeper and judge at the conclusion of a class to ensure the qualifying score has been accurately calculated and awarded in accordance with regulations. If for any reason it is determined that the score or previous scores were inaccurate, making the entry ineligible for the higher level class, any results (including awards) shall be forfeited and the entry will be deemed invalid without refund or other recourse.

Move ups will NOT be accepted on Saturday for Saturday classes or on Sunday for Sunday classes and you may not withdraw from a class, add a class or change the program in which a dog is competing due to a move up.

Move up forms will be available in a binder at the ribbon table and must be filled out within 30 minutes of the completion of the last class on Saturday.

If the notation for Pairs/Team says "Not Entered", then this dog was not entered in Pairs/Team this trial.

If you indicated a specific pairs partner on your entry and it is not listed, please contact me ASAP and I will make the change.

Please carefully check all information listed above and contact me immediately with any discrepancies LitlBigDog@gmail.com

## CHECK-IN AND MEASURING

There will be two types of check-in and measuring: Full service and Express.

Each dog is a separate entry so just because one dog does not need to check-in/measure does not mean all of your dogs entered are eligible to do so.

Full service check-in is required if you did not provide a photocopy of a height card or printout from the USDAA site for each dog. Those who cannot present their permanent or completed temporary USDAA cards, or USDAA issued check-in letter, or whose dogs are NOT jumping the maximum height, will be required to measure-in;. Any who have not been measured or checked-in prior to running may forfeit their runs. Bring your dogs that need measuring AND their temporary height cards (the blue ones) to the measuring line BEFORE getting in the check-in line.

Also, if you are due a refund, or still owe us money, please use full service check-in. If you do owe us money, this must be paid at time of check-in or you will not be permitted to run.

Express check-in is required and available for those who provided photocopies of the plastic yellow or white height cards. You must check yourself in and verify your Registration number; if you missed verifying it in your confirmation, this will be your final chance to do so.

We will not be providing copies of running orders for each competitor. Running orders will be available by Wednesday evening for you to download and print at <a href="https://www.k9trialservices.com">www.k9trialservices.com</a>

We will not be providing printed copies of course maps for each competitor. Course maps will be available after 11pm each evening for the next days classes for you to download and print at www.k9trialservices.com.

**DIRECTIONS** 

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**Orchard Hills Training Center** 

45 Bella Vista Lane

Barto, PA 19504

**DIRECTIONS** 

From I-78 North and points East or West: Take the PA-29 S exit- EXIT #55- toward EMMAUS, turn slightly right onto S CEDAR CREST BLVD / PA-29. Follow Route 29 south for approximately 9.5 miles then merge onto Route 100 south. After 3.7 miles you will see Longacres Electrical Supplies on your left, you make a right there onto North Church Street. \*Obey the speed limit in this area or you will be ticketed, continue straight onto Crow Hill Road up a hill to Belle Vista Lane on your left just past a small pond. You can see the white building on top of the hill.

From Philadelphia and points South East: I-76 W toward VALLEY FORGE, take the US-202 S / US-202 N / US-422 W exit- EXIT 328B-A- toward WEST CHESTER / KING OF PRUSSIA / POTTSTOWN / SWEDESFORD RD. Merge onto US-422 W for 21.9 miles then take the PA-100 N exit toward ALLENTOWN for about 12.5 miles. You will see Longacres Electrical Supply on your right, make a left onto North Church Street and follow directions in above.

Pa Turnpike/NE Extension: to Quakertown Exit, bear right onto Route 663 South. As you enter Pennsburg you will make a right onto Route 29 North. Follow Route 29 to the town of Hereford (Turkey Hill and Light) Turn Left onto Route 100 South and follow into Barto, you will see Longacres Electrical Supplies on your left, you make a right there onto North Church Street and follow directions in above.

We look forward to seeing you at our trial!!

Sincerely,

Diann Gastley