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**ENTRY METHOD: FIRST RECEIVED**

**ENTRIES WILL OPEN ON August 25, 2023 at 08:00 A.M. CST** at the Trial Secretary's address. All entries received before this date will be returned. Overnight or certified mail must be sent with the "No Signature Required" waiver signed.

**ENTRIES CLOSE ON September 25, 2023 at 6:00 PM CST** after which time entries cannot be accepted, cancelled, altered, or substituted except as provided for in Chapter 11, Section 6 of the Rules Applying to Dog Shows. Envelopes/transactions containing entries for more than the ten (10) dog maximum and/or entries received prior to the opening date shall be treated as an invalid entry and shall be returned to the sender.

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**PREMIUM LIST**



**Huntsville Obedience Training Club, Inc.**

(Licensed by the American Kennel Club OR held by an AKC Member Club)



**Novice, Advanced, Excellent container, exterior, buried trials**

**Oct. 7, 2023 Event # 2023054941 and 2023054940**

**Oct. 8, 2023 Event # 2023054942 and 2023054943**

**Held at: Huntsville Obedience Training Club**

131 Export Circle, Huntsville, Al. 35806

**ENTRY LIMITS**

**65 for Trial 1 on Saturday, 60 for trial 2 on Saturday Novice/Advanced**

**40 for Trial 1 and 40 for trial 2 Excellent**

**65 for Trial 1 on Sunday, 60 for trial 2 on Sunday**

**40 for Trial 1 and 40 for trial 2 Excellent**

**Runs are concurrent**

**10 entries per element will be held for HOTC workers**

*To be held Indoors and Outdoors*

**Trial Hours:**

Saturday- 7:30 am to 4:00 pm

Sunday- 7:30 am to 4:00 pm

Check-in from 7:30-8:00 am Saturday & Sunday

Handler's Briefing at 8:00 am, first dog to follow

**Judge: Kaye Stevens and Cindy Roberts**



**AMERICAN  
KENNEL CLUB**

**CERTIFICATION**

Permission is granted by the American Kennel Club for the holding of this event under American Kennel Club rules and regulations.

Gina DiNardo, Secretary

**OFFICERS OF THE AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB**

President .....Terri Campbell  
 Vice President .....Ed Rymut  
 Secretary.....Sheila Norckauer  
 Treasurer.....Karen Stewart

<b>TRIAL CHAIRPERSON</b>	<b>TRIAL SECRETARY</b>
Denise Edge 3312 Wilks Place SW Huntsville, Al. 35805 Poodlers4@hotmail.com 205-807-4133	Melissa Edge 3310 Wilks Place SW Huntsville, Alabama 35805 205-807-8467 Mel.edge.23@gmail.com

**EVENT COMMITTEE**

Denise Edge, Trial Chair  
 Beth Fitzgerald, Co-chair  
 Melissa Edge, Secretary  
 Mary Bankich, Katherine Mims, Karen Williams

**JUDGES AND ASSIGNMENTS**

Cindy Roberts 4956 Stonecreek Way Calera, AL 35040 205-807-9297 Judge's number: 102448 Excellent buried, exterior, container	Kaye C Stevenson Judge #: 112113 205 Donna Dr Montgomery, AL <a href="mailto:Kaye.stevenson59@gmail.com">Kaye.stevenson59@gmail.com</a> Novice and advanced buried, exterior, container
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**VETERINARIAN ON CALL**

**Veterinarian** (on-call) Huntsville Veterinary Specialists and Emergency, 800 Dr. Joseph E. Lowery Blvd. SW, Huntsville, AL. 35801 Phone 256-715-8389

**EMERGENCY SERVICES**

Fire/ Ambulance/Police- Madison County  
 911

**CLASSES OFFERED & JUDGING TIMES**

SATURDAY & SUNDAY	
Novice A/B container, buried, exterior	Novice A/B container, buried, exterior
Advanced container, buried, exterior	Advanced container, buried, exterior
Excellent container, buried, exterior	Excellent container, buried, exterior
<b>Judging begins at 8:00 am both days</b>	

**Move Ups between trials WILL NOT be offered. Move ups for next day will be offered.**

**DOG 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), an AKC Canine Partners listing number or approved Foundation Stock Service (FSS) breeds are eligible to participate.

Dogs with a Purebred Alternative Listing/Indefinite Listing Privileges (PAL/ILP) or an AKC Canine Partners listing number must be spayed or neutered in order to compete.

Dogs with physical challenges (including amputees) are eligible to participate provided that, in the opinion of the judge, the dog displays no sign of physical discomfort and can safely complete the search. Deaf and blind dogs are allowed to enter. Females in season may not participate, aggressive dogs, or dogs suffering from an injury, or illness which may affect the dog's physical or mental performance may not participate. No dog shall compete if it is sutured, bandaged, or has any visible wounds.

**ENTRY FEES**

\*an entry is defined as a single run by a single dog, in a single class. Entry fees include a \$3.50 per run AKC recording fee.

Each novice/advanced entry\* ..... \$25

**Mail entry forms and fees to:**

Melissa Edge  
3310 Wilks Pl. SW  
Huntsville, Alabama 35805

Please make checks payable to the **HOTC (Huntsville Obedience Training Club)**.

No entries will be accepted by phone, email, fax, or hand delivery. Express mail entries must include the signature waiver allowing them to be left at the secretary's address. Inquiries may be directed to Melissa Edge at [Mel.edge.23@gmail.com](mailto:Mel.edge.23@gmail.com). No entry shall be made and no entry shall be accepted which specifies any conditions as to its acceptance.

**Illegible entries** will not be processed and will be returned to the exhibitor. Returned checks do not constitute a valid entry and the Trial Secretary will add a \$35.00 collection fee to the amount of each returned check.

**WAIT LIST INFORMATION**

**Huntsville Obedience Training club** is offering a wait list to fill openings created by withdrawn entries after the trial's closing date/time. A maximum of **50 entries per day**

will be placed on the club's wait list. All entries, including wait listed entries, must be received by the Trial Secretary prior to **September 25, 2023**. No entries may be withdrawn with a refund after closing on Sept 25, 2023. If a withdrawn entry is replaced by a wait listed entry, a full refund will be issued for the withdrawn entry. Any wait listed entry that does not move off the wait list into the trial will receive a full refund.

## STAGING AREA, HANDLER'S BRIEFING, AND WARM-UP INFORMATION

**Staging Area** will be out of view of search area(s). Staging area will include crating, warm-up and waiting area, as well as the secretary table for check-ins and posting of running order and results.

The **Handler's Briefing** will take place in view of the search area prior to the start of each class, after the hide(s) have been set and after the Demo Dog has run. In the Handler's Briefing the judge will explain if there's an off-leash option, number of hides, maximum height of hides and maximum time for the search. NO DOGS are to be present during the Handler's Briefing.

A **warm-up area** will be available consisting of ONE marked container of each odor being tested at the trial and may also consist of blanks containers. Exhibitors should limit their warm-up to (2) two minutes or less. The warm-up area is to be used exclusively for warming up the handler-dog team prior to their run, or for recovery after the run. The warm-up area is not for training or relieving of the dog.

## SEARCH AREA AND RING CONDITIONS

Search areas may be of any shape, and of the size specified in the Regulations for each class.

**Search Area Conditions.** Searches may be indoors, on matted, carpeted, or tiled surfaces, or outdoors on grass, gravel, earth, concrete, or asphalt surfaces.

**Search Area Sizes** will be as follows:

Container Novice 250-400sq ft., Advanced 400-600 sq ft., Excellent 600-800 sq ft

,Buried Novice 150-200sq ft., Buried Advanced 200-400 sq ft., excellent 300-400 sq ft

Exterior Novice 200-400 sq ft Advanced 400-800 sq ft Excellent 800-1500 sq ft

## ADDITIONAL SITE INFORMATION

**Trial Site.** It is not appropriate to visit the trial location prior to the trial date. Many search locations are real-life environments and such visits may risk the host losing the opportunity to use the location in the future.

**Possession of Odors and Training.** Chapter 5. Section 26 of the Scent Work Regulations state "No person other than those engaged in the administration of a trial shall be in possession of any target odor when on the trial grounds. There shall be no training on the grounds of the AKC Scent Work trial, other than the designated warm-up area".

**Spectator Area.** Spectators are encouraged. Any person not handling a dog in the current class, or any person who has already completed their run in the class may choose to watch the search from the spectator area. Handlers may not watch other exhibitors from their class prior to their run except in the case of Handler Discrimination classes. No one outside the search area may assist the handler or disclose the location of the hide. Spectators who intentionally or unintentionally give aid to a team may be ask to leave the area by the judge. Spectators are forbidden to discuss details of the search until the completion of the class.

**Crating space** will not be available.

**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. Cleaning supplies and disposal sites will be available at various locations around the show grounds.

## RIBBONS, AWARDS, AND PRIZES

Placement ribbons will be awarded in each class as follows:

<i>First Place</i> .....	<i>Blue</i>
<i>Second Place</i> .....	<i>Red</i>
<i>Third Place</i> .....	<i>Yellow</i>
<i>Fourth Place</i> .....	<i>White</i>
<i>Qualifying Score</i> .....	<i>Dark Green</i>

A **New Title rosette** will be awarded to all dog and handler teams finishing a title. Rosette ribbons for advanced, excellent, master, elite titles will be awarded. Rosette for detective will be awarded.

All exhibitors should obtain a copy of the Regulations for Scent Work, by downloading them here: <http://images.akc.org/pdf/rulebooks/RSW001.pdf>

## NOTICE TO EXHIBITORS

### SAFETY, BEHAVIOR and LIABILITY

**The safety of the dog** is our primary concern. By entering this trial, exhibitors acknowledge that they are familiar with the rules and regulations of this sport, and that their dogs are familiar with and able to perform all searches safely. **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 an unnecessary disturbance or repeatedly engage in unsafe or disruptive behavior may, at the discretion of the trial committee, be asked to leave the show site. In such case, no refund of any fees paid will be made. The American Kennel Club and its agents, employees, etc., will assume no responsibilities for any loss, damage or injury sustained by exhibitors or handlers, or to any of their dogs or property and further assumes no responsibility for injury to children. The American Kennel Club reserves the right to decline entries for cause and may remove any dog on account of aggression. No one shall have any recourse or claim against the American Kennel Club or any official thereof.

**Collars, Leashes and Harnesses.** During searches, dogs must wear a properly fitted collar or harness approved by the judge. A wearable camera such as a Go Pro may be mounted to the dog's harness, if desired. Leashes may be of any length and/or retractable. The leash should be made of plain, pliable material.

**All dogs must be on leash** at all times, and retractable leashes may not be used when on trial grounds (except during judged searches). Dogs must enter and exit the search area with the leash attached to the collar or harness, including when waiting in the search area before and after the search. An off-leash option may be offered at the discretion of the judge, only if the area is completely enclosed.

### REFUNDS

**No entry fee** will be refunded if the trial cannot open or be completed by reason of riots, civil disturbances, fire, an act of God, public emergency, act of a public enemy, or any other cause beyond the control of the organizing committee. No entry fee will be refunded in the event a dog is absent, disqualified, excused, or barred from competition by the action of the Trial Committee. Dogs pulled after closing because of injury or other medical condition are not eligible for a refund.

**Bitches in season** will be refunded the full entry fee. Notification in writing must be given to the trial secretary no later than one half hour prior to the start of the first class of the day of the trial.

### RINGSIDE

**Judges are not required** to wait for dogs. The Owner of each dog is solely responsible for having it ready at the search area when it is to be judged. The Club has no responsibility to provide 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.

**EXHIBITOR CHECK-IN:** At check-in you will receive your armband number. Once the time and location for check-in is determined all exhibitors will be notified by email.

**Exhibitors MUST check-in EACH day they are entered.**

**Claims will be arbitrated as set forth on the Official AKC Entry Form for this event.**

“Exhibitors should follow their veterinarian’s recommendation to assure their dogs are free of internal and external parasites, any communicable diseases, and have appropriate vaccinations.” Additionally, clubs should include any specific local or state health requirements; for example, proof of rabies vaccination.

#### ADDITIONAL HOTEL INFORMATION

**La Quinta inn**

**Huntsville Research  
Parkway**

**4870 University Dr. NW**

**Huntsville, Al. 35816**

**256-830-2070**

**La Quinta Inn and Suites**

**Huntsville Aireport**

**105 Westchester Drive**

**Madison, Al. 35758**

**256-258-2777**

**Westin at Bridge Street**

**6800 Governors West**

**Huntsville, Al 35806**

**256-428-2000**

**Candlewood Suites**

**201 Exchange Pl NW**

**Huntsville, Al. 35806**

**256-830-8222**

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## DIRECTIONS TO THE TRIAL SITE

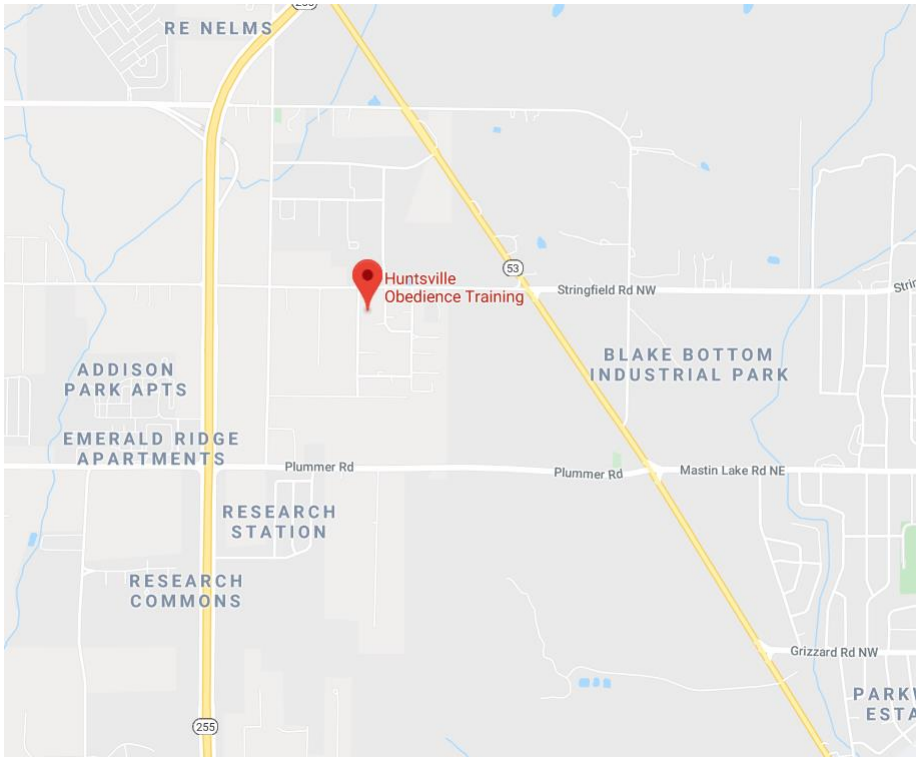
***Our training facility is ¼ mile east of the Dan Tibbs exit on Research Park Blvd.***

From I-65, take I-565 East to Hwy. 255 North (Research Park Blvd). Take Research Park Blvd north. Exit Dan Tibbs Road and take a right, heading east, take the second right at Export Circle. HOTC is the second building on the left.

Or

Take Jordan Lane north to Dan Tibbs (first left north of Mastin Lake Road), left onto Dan Tibbs, take the third left onto Export Circle and HOTC is the second building on the left.

## MAP



# AKC Official Entry Form



**Send to:**  
Melissa Edge  
3310 Wilks Pl. SW  
Huntsville, Alabama 35805

	Exterior	Container	Buried
Trial 1 Sat. 10/7//2023	<input type="checkbox"/> Novice A / B <input type="checkbox"/> Advanced <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Novice A / B <input type="checkbox"/> Advanced <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Novice A / B <input type="checkbox"/> Advanced <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent
Trial 2 Sat., 10/7/2023	<input type="checkbox"/> Novice A / B <input type="checkbox"/> Advanced <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Novice A / B <input type="checkbox"/> Advanced <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Novice A / B <input type="checkbox"/> Advanced <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent
Trial 1 Sun., 10/8/2023	<input type="checkbox"/> Novice A / B <input type="checkbox"/> Advanced <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Novice A / B <input type="checkbox"/> Advanced <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Novice A / B <input type="checkbox"/> Advanced <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent
Trial 2 Sun 10/8/2023	<input type="checkbox"/> Novice A / B <input type="checkbox"/> Advanced <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Novice A / B <input type="checkbox"/> Advanced <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Novice A / B <input type="checkbox"/> Advanced <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent

**Entry fees: \$25 per novice/advanced,**

**Make checks payable to the Huntsville Obedience Training Club**

**# of classes entered** \_\_\_\_\_ **X trial entry**      \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
**Total due**

**Trial Secretary will add a \$30.00 collection fee to the amount of each returned check.**

AKC Registered Name		Registration Number	
		<input type="checkbox"/> AKC/PAL/ILP/CP <input type="checkbox"/> Foreign	
Call name	Date of birth	Sex	
Breed		Variety	
Breeder			
Sire			
Dam			
Owner			
Owner's Address			
City		State	Zip
Telephone		Email	
Handler name (if different from owner):		Junior Handler # (if applicable):	

**Fields marked in blue are REQUIRED.**

**Fields marked in gray must be completed if the information is known.**



**If you do not mark Novice A OR B, you will be placed in Novice B**

**\*\*\*Be sure to read the Agreement and sign on the reverse. No form will be processed without your signature!\*\*\***

**AKC Rules, Regulations, Policies and Guidelines are available on the American Kennel Club Web site,**  
[www.akc.org](http://www.akc.org)

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**AGREEMENT**

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. In consideration of the acceptance of this entry, I (we) agree to abide by the rules and regulations of The American Kennel Club in effect at the time of this event, and any additional rules and regulations appearing in the premium list of this event and entry form and any decision made in accord with them. I (we) agree that the club holding this event has the right to refuse this entry for cause which the club shall deem sufficient. I (we) certify and represent that the dog entered is not a hazard to persons or other dogs. 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 thereto, 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 of loss, injury or damage to this 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 expense (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 person. I (we) agree that the determination of whether the injury is serious shall be made by the event veterinarian and is binding on me (us). 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 AKC AND THE EVENT-GIVING CLUB (UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED IN THIS PREMIUM LIST) AND MYSELF (OURSELVES) OR AS TO 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.

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**SIGNATURE** of owner or his agent duly authorized to make this entry.

**SIGN HERE**

**X:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone #:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**In case of Emergency – Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone #:** \_\_\_\_\_