

Mt. Rainier Sporting Spaniel Association

Friday, February 7, 2020 #20209414501
Saturday February 8, 2020 #2020414502
Sunday, February 9, 2020 #2020414503

THREE ALL-BREED AKC LICENSED AGILITY TRIALS

This Event is Accepting Entries for Mixed Breed Dogs
Listed in the AKC Canine Partners Program SM

JUDGING BEGINS NO EARLIER THAN 8:00 a.m. each day.
Times may be adjusted based on the number of entries per day.
Small to Tall – Fri. & Sun., Tall to Small – Sat.



CERTIFICATION *Permission has been granted by the American Kennel Club for the holding of this event under American Kennel Club Rules and Regulations – Gina DiNardo, Secretary*

JUDGES:

Carol Curtiss (CA) & Torka Poet (WA)

Method of entry – First Received
700 Runs Per Day. 350 Runs Per Judge Per Day

Entries received prior to opening date and time will not be accepted.
Any special delivery mail, must specify "NO SIGNATURE REQUIRED".
Entries - paper or online through [AKC ONLINE ENTRY SERVICES](#)
(see further directions page 2)



AKC Class Changes Jan 1, 2020.

Run Regular and Preferred at same trial!
or, diff heights same day, in diff classes.
Submit separate entry for each division.

Next two are on trial for one year!

Run FEO (For Exhibition Only) – Entry
required as usual and before closing.

Fix N Go On (FNG)
Fix that performance and complete the run!

See Details Page 4



ARGUS RANCH FOR DOGS

35612 212th Way SE.
Auburn, WA

Opening Date: Monday, Dec. 6, 2019, 8:00 AM

Closing Date: Friday, Jan 24, 2020 9:00 PM
at the Trial Secretary's home.

Indoors on dirt.
Rings 90' x 100'

Trial location hours– 7:30 am to 5:30 pm

Confirmations will be sent by e-mail unless no e-mail submitted or other form of delivery is requested.

CLASSES

FRIDAY & SUNDAY – T2B, STD & JWW, incl. Premier
SATURDAY – FAST, T2B, STD & JWW incl. Premier

Reduced Fees!

New Awards

Premier Sweeps

More details after closing.

Worker's Raffle

MRSSA/Marian Snapp, Trial Secretary
2620 Shepardson St., Bellingham, WA 98226

ENTRIES: ONLINE VS PAPER, Maximum entries per envelope

- Paper entries received within 24 hrs. of the opening date & time must include postage or be metered. Paper entries must be delivered by a multi-state or multi-national postal or carrier service, including, but not limited to USPS, FedEx, UPS & DHL. If the above conditions are not met, the entries are not valid and must be returned to the sender.
- A maximum of 10 entries per envelope is allowed. Envelopes with more than 10 entries and/or entries received prior to the opening date will be returned.

DOGS ELIGIBLE TO ENTER

This trial is open to any dog fifteen (15) months of age or older that is registered with the AKC or that has AKC Limited Registration, PAL/ILP, or an AKC Canine Partners listing number with the exception of bitches in season, blind dogs, aggressive dogs or those suffering from any deformity, injury, or illness which may affect the dog's physical or mental performance.

CHECK YOUR ENTRY FORMS AND CONFIRMATIONS

Please be aware that AKC rules prohibit modification of an entry after the closing date/time except for move-ups as outlined on the next page and moves as covered in Chapter 1, Section 21 of the Regulations for Agility Trials. The trial secretary is not allowed to change jump heights or change a dog from preferred to regular or vice versa or move a dog down in class after closing of the trial.

A preliminary email confirmation will be sent when the entry is received and processed. Make sure to check those confirmations closely and notify the trial secretary if you have corrections or changes before the closing date, or as outlined in the regulations.

OBSTACLES AND RINGS

All obstacles shall meet the specifications as outlined in the current edition of Regulations for Agility Trials. These agility trials will be held indoors on dirt surface with ring sizes of 90' deep x 100' wide.

Judging shall begin no earlier than 8:00 a.m. on Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Times may be later depending on the number of entries received.

ALL DAYS: There will be no Novice equipment familiarization at these trials.

CLASSES AND DIVISIONS

It is the exhibitor's responsibility to enter the dog in the correct class. If this is your first entry in the Preferred class you must start in the Novice class. Exemption: If your dog has been running in regular classes and you have not yet used your one-time lateral transfer option, the dog may be entered in the same level as it runs in the regular classes but must jump 4" lower. A complete set of rules for all classes is available from the American Kennel Club, 8051 Arco Corporate Drive, Suite 100, Raleigh, NC 27617-3390, or from the AKC website at <http://images.akc.org/pdf/rulebooks/REAGIL.pdf>.

Classes and Levels

Fri - All levels STD, JWW, & T2B, Premier STD & Premier JWW, regular and preferred

Sat - All levels STD, JWW, T2B & FAST, Premier STD & Premier JWW, regular and preferred

Sun - All levels STD, JWW, & T2B, Premier STD & Premier JWW, regular and preferred

Height Divisions

All dogs without a height card (permanent or valid temporary yellow sheet) must be measured by the judge before running. On Saturday and Sunday, measuring will begin ½ hour before the start of runs for the day. If the measurement of your dog at the trial puts your dog into a different jump height than entered in, you must notify the Trial Secretary **immediately**.

REGULAR	PREFERRED	HEIGHT AT WITHERS
Handlers may opt to run their dog in a higher height division.	Handlers must run their dog in their proper eligible height.	Owners are responsible for entering their dog in the proper height division.
8"	4"	11 inches and under at withers
12"	8"	14 inches and under at withers
16"	12"	18 inches and under at withers
20"	16"	22 inches and under at withers
24"	20"	Over 22 inches at withers
24C"	N/A	Owners whose dog measures into the 8" through 20" regular jump height divisions may opt to enter the 24-choice height division at their owner's discretion. Dogs who measure into the 24" regular jump height division may not be entered in 24-choice.



Class Changes Effective January 1, 2020

Entering a Mixture of Regular and Preferred Classes Within the Same Trial Weekend – Multiple Jump Heights Within the Same Trial Day

Effective January 1, 2020, exhibitors may enter a mixture of both Regular and Preferred classes on the same trial day and/or during a trial weekend. For example, the same dog may now be entered in Regular FAST and/or T2B to finish up those titles while also entered in Preferred Master STD/JWW to start working towards their PACH at the lower height. Any mixture of Regular and Preferred classes is allowed.

Please note that if a dog qualifies in Regular Master Standard and Preferred Master JWW (or vice versa) on the same trial day, then NO Double Q shall be earned toward either the MACH or PACH title. The Double Q still requires that Standard Agility and Jumpers With Weaves be either both Regular OR both Preferred on the same trial day.

Additionally, within the same Regular or Preferred classes, a dog may now be entered in multiple jump heights within the same trial day. For example, the same dog may now be entered in 20-inch Master STD/JWW while also entered in 24C-inch Premier STD/JWW on the same trial day.

A separate entry form must be submitted when the same dog is being entered in a mixture of Regular and Preferred and/or different jump heights within the same trial weekend thereby clearly indicating which class(es) and/or jump heights belong together for each trial day of the weekend.

When calculating entry fees, treat multiple entry forms for the same dog as if only one form had been filled out. In other words, the 1st run entry fee is only paid once per day, per dog, even if that dog's runs have been submitted on multiple entry forms.

Entering For Exhibition Only (FEO)

As of January 1, 2020, For Exhibition Only may be offered at the option of the host club. FEO will be offered on a one-year pilot basis in order to give AKC time to evaluate its impact. FEO will allow exhibitors to work with their dogs in a trial environment. FEO is only allowed in the Time 2 Beat and FAST classes. FEO will be of value to new exhibitors or exhibitors that are having difficulty with a specific obstacle and/or ring environment. Competitors must enter in T2B and/or FAST. Participation in FEO is non-qualifying.

- FEO runs are treated as trial entries. The exhibitor must enter the class(es) (T2B and/or FAST) prior to the closing date, pay class entry fee(s) and the Trial Secretary must record the entry in the Trial Catalog as part of the results for that class. FEO does not need to be noted on the entry form; the handler will declare the day of the show.
- Dogs may be entered in any jump height for FEO runs. If entered in an ineligible jump height, the team is committed to FEO for that run and must declare FEO on the start line. Day of show jump height changes are not allowed.
- Dogs may be entered in any level of FAST (Novice, Open, Excellent, Master). If the dog is not eligible for the level entered, the team is committed to FEO for that run and must declare FEO on the start line. Day of show level changes are not allowed.
- The exhibitor must declare FEO in the ring prior to leading out. FEO may be declared earlier (ex. when checking in at the gate board).
- Toys are allowed in the ring
 - Toys must be non-audible
 - Toys may not leave the handler's hand
 - Toys that roll freely cannot be used
- Food/treats are not allowed in the ring
- FEO should be utilized for the benefit of the dog and not as a punitive correction. Harsh verbal and /or physical corrections shall not be tolerated. Any determination of harshness by the judge shall be immediately whistled and the handler will be dismissed from the ring.
- A judge must monitor the entire run. Judges can stop a run at any time

Fix and Go On (FNG)

As of January 1, 2020, Fix and Go On will be offered on a one-year pilot basis in order to give AKC time to evaluate its impact. FNG allows exhibitors to immediately reattempt an obstacle at any time while on course when the dog's performance of an obstacle is not to their expectation. This allows the dog to successfully complete the obstacle then finish the course or leave the ring on a positive note. Using FNG will result in a non-qualifying score.

Fix and Go On is not pre-entered; rather, it occurs during the course of the run.



HEIGHT CARD REGULATIONS

Jump height cards are not required to be submitted with the entry form. The entry form has a check box to indicate if the dog needs to be measured. It is the owner's responsibility to understand the rules, and if the dog needs to be measured, it is the owner's/handler's responsibility to ensure that the box on the entry form is checked, and that the dog is measured prior to running. If you are unsure, contact the trial secretary for assistance.

PRIZES AND AWARDS

Qualifying score required for all prizes. All ribbons are flat ribbons.

Qualifying score – Dark Green

First Prize – Blue

Second Prize – Red

Third Prize – Yellow

Fourth Prize – White

New Title Ribbons and Double Q ribbons are available for any dog completing a title at this trial or receiving a qualifying score in both the Mas STD and Mas JWW class.



**High in Trial ribbons for each group awarded for Friday and Saturday – Highest score and YPS in Standard and Jumpers.
High in Trial ribbon for small (4-16") & tall (20-24") dogs in Premier – Highest score and YPS in Premier STD & JWW.**

Please notify the Trial Chair or Trial Secretary if you are close to completing a **MACH/PACH** title at this trial.

MOVE-UPS – CHECK-IN

Deadline for move-ups for these trials is Monday, February 3rd, 2020 at 6 p.m. PST. Move-ups must be submitted in writing (e-mail okay). Move-ups are not official until e-mail confirmation of the move-up has been received by the participant. Friday to Saturday and Saturday to Sunday move-ups will be allowed.

JUDGING SCHEDULE

JUDGING WILL BEGIN NO EARLIER THAN 8:00 A.M. ON EACH TRIAL DAY.

We will be running two rings concurrently. This schedule is **subject to change based on number of entries**. ANY changes will be noted in the final confirmation letter and in the final schedule that will be sent to all exhibitors after closing of entries for the trial.

PLEASE CHECK THEN!

	RING 1	RING 2
Friday (small to Tall)	Prem JWW, Prem STD, Exc STD, Open STD, Nov STD	T2B, Nov JWW, Open JWW, Exc JWW
Saturday (Tall to small)	Prem JWW, Prem STD, Exc STD, Open STD, Nov STD	All levels FAST T2B Nov JWW, Open JWW, Exc JWW
Sunday (small to Tall)	Prem JWW, Prem STD, Exc STD, Open STD, Nov STD	T2B, Nov JWW, Open JWW, Exc JWW

PREMIER CLASS INFORMATION: Any dog, regardless of level, may be run in the Premier classes.

REFUNDS: A complete refund will be given, for any reason, if withdrawal notice is received before the closing date and time. **After closing**, a refund of entry fees, less \$10/day, will be given for any bitch that comes into season provided notification with documentation is received at least 30 minutes before the start of the trial. A refund of one-half the entry fees will be given for dogs that are injured, provided a veterinary certificate is provided AND notification is received by the Trial Secretary at least 30 minutes before the dog is scheduled to run in its first run of the weekend. No other refunds will be given after closing. No refunds will be given for amounts less than \$10.

VENDORS

All vendors need to contact Argus Ranch for Dogs for approval. Please, also contact the Trial Chairperson, Karin Cartwright, at (253) 414-5122 or arborfield@hotmail.com.

CRATING

We are indoors at Argus. The crating is limited in the main building, so please squeeze in as tightly as possible. No x-pens, try to stack crates where possible, and "be small" 😊

TRIAL REGULATIONS & NOTICE TO EXHIBITORS

- The Trial will be open from 7:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. all days. **Consult final confirmation for order of classes and times of judging.**
 - Conditional, unsigned, incomplete, illegible, telephone, faxed, or telegraphed entries cannot be accepted. **Entries not on official AKC forms and/or photocopies of AKC forms without the agreement and rules that accompany the Official AKC entry form are not acceptable.**
 - Returned checks do not constitute a valid entry. Post dated checks do not constitute a valid entry. Checks will be deposited immediately after the trial closes.
 - No entry fee will be refunded if the trial cannot open or be completed by reason of riots, civil disturbances, fire, act of God, public emergency, act of a public enemy, or any other cause beyond the control of the organizing committee.
 - **Entry fees will NOT be refunded in the event of errors or cancellation of entries after the published closing date, or in the event a dog is absent, disqualified, excused by the Veterinarian or Judge during the trial, or barred from competition by the Show Committee.**
- OWNERS ARE RESPONSIBLE for errors in entry forms, regardless of who may make such errors.
- It is expressly understood that exhibitors alone are responsible for the behavior of their dogs and children. Any exhibitor whose dog(s) and/or child(ren) create unnecessary disturbances or repeatedly engage in unsafe or disruptive behavior may, at the discretion of the Show Committee, be asked to leave the show site. In such case, no refund of any fees paid will be made.
 - Sorry, no puppies under 3 months of age are allowed in the trial arena. Aggressive dogs will not be allowed.
 - The safety of dogs is of primary concern. By entering this trial, exhibitors acknowledge that they are familiar with the rules and regulations of this sport and their dogs are familiar with and able to perform all obstacles safely. Head halters, pinch collars, electric and dummy electric collars are prohibited on trial grounds. Body harnesses are OK.
 - All dogs must be on leash at all times except when in the ring or when in the designated agility warm up area. The leash may have a single pick-up bag and/or identification tag attached to it. Painted or stitched designs or information on collars can be only the dog's name and/or identifying information.
 - The Mt. Rainier Sporting Spaniel Association, Argus Ranch Facility for Dogs, and Marian Snapp, assume no responsibility for any loss, damage or injury sustained by exhibitors, handlers, spectators, or to any of their dogs or property, and further assume no responsibility for injury to any child not under the control of his or her parents or guardian.
 - PLEASE CLEAN UP AFTER YOUR DOG(S). Failure to do so will be considered a benchable offense and we want to use this facility in the future.
 - **This club does not agree to arbitrate claims as set forth on the Official AKC Entry Form for this event.**

HOSPITALITY INFORMATION

Joan Cook will be providing her usual fabulous food selections for volunteers. There are fast food locations and grocery stores in Enumclaw, Black Diamond, and Maple Valley within 10 miles of the site.



Plans for a Judges' Dinner will be published after closing.

VOLUNTEERS

We'll be using the **White Board** for all positions. If you want to do something special, please let us know and we'll sign you up ahead of time. Also, if you want to learn a job, just ask the chief ring steward who can put you with someone who will show you the ropes. *Super lunch is provided for all volunteers and there is a **worker's raffle**.*

DIRECTIONS TO ARGUS RANCH FACILITY FOR DOGS

35612 – 212th Way SE, AUBURN, WA 98092

www.argusranch.com

From I-5 North or South

- Take the Auburn exit (Highway 18) to Auburn-Black Diamond Road eastbound.
- Turn right immediately onto SE Green Valley Road (just past Neely Mansion)
- Go approximately 7 miles to 212th Ave SE (first 4-way intersection after getting on SE Green Valley Rd.)
- Turn right and cross the bridge.
- Turn left into Argus driveway just past the bridge.

From I-405 Southbound.

- Go south on Maple Valley Highway (SR 169) into Black Diamond.
- Turn right on Roberts Road (look for Coal Car).
- Go approximately 4 miles.
- Turn left onto 218th Street.
- At the bottom of the long hill is a stop sign. NOTE: Cross traffic does not stop.
- Cross bridge and turn left into Argus Ranch

ACCOMMODATIONS

These hotels have graciously agreed to accept our well-mannered dogs. A pet deposit may be required. Please check with hotels for policies and restrictions.

Quality Inn, 415 Ellingson Rd, Pacific, WA	253-288-1916
GuestHouse Inn, 9 - 14th Street NW, Auburn, WA 98001	1 844-331-6991
Best Western Peppertree Inn .401 – 8th St SW, Auburn, WA 98001-5801	253-867-7600
LaQuinta, 225 – 6th St S.E., Auburn, WA98002	253-804-9999

Brutus Hall at Argus Ranch: For information about reserving a room at Brutus Hall (Argus dorm rooms), please contact Argus Ranch directly. You may reach them via their website at www.argusranch.com. A limited number of rooms are available.

RV Parking at Argus Ranch: For information about reserving an RV spot at Argus, please contact Argus Ranch directly. You may reach them via their website at www.argusranch.com.



OFFICIAL AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB AGILITY ENTRY FORM

Mount Rainier Sporting Spaniel Association

Opens: 12/06/2019: 8:00 a.m. • Closes: 01/24/2020 – 9:00 p.m. PST

Table with columns for dates (02/07/2020, 02/08/2020, 02/09/2020) and checkboxes for classes (STD, JWW, FAST, T2B, PremSTD, PremJWW).

Daily Entry Fee: \$16 for 1st & 2nd runs; \$12 each additional run (3,4,5,& 6), per day, per dog.

Juniors \$10 each run per day, per dog.

Checks payable to: MRSSA; Mail to: Trial Secretary, 2620 Shepardson St., Bellingham, WA 98226

IMPORTANT: Carefully read instructions before filling out! ENTRY FEE ENCLOSED:

Choose Either Regular OR Preferred Classes

Circle one jump height | Circle class selections | Only one selection per class (both Master & Premier allowed)

Table with columns for Regular Classes (8", 12", 16", 20", 24", 24C") and Preferred Classes (4", 8", 12", 16", 20") and rows for STD, JWW, FAST, T2B.

Form fields: This Dog Needs To Be Measured (Yes/No), BREED, VARIETY, SEX, HEIGHT AT WITHERS, CALL NAME.

Form field: AKC® NAME (INCLUDE AKC TITLES ONLY)

Form fields: AKC® NO, Enter Complete Registration #, DATE OF BIRTH, PLACE OF BIRTH (LIST COUNTRY), ILP NO., PAL NO., FOREIGN REG. NO & COUNTRY, BREEDER.

Form field: SIRE

Form field: DAM

Form field: ACTUAL OWNERS

Form field: OWNERS ADDRESS, NEW ADDRESS checkbox

Form field: CITY, STATE, ZIP + 4

Form field: HANDLER, ENTER JR. HANDLER # if applicable

Exhibitor or owner MUST sign on the signature line beneath the instructions.

AKC Rules, Regulations, Policies and Guidelines are available on the American Kennel Club Web site, www.akc.org.

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...

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...

INSTRUCTIONS

Handlers whose dogs measure into the 8" through 20" regular jump height divisions may opt to enter in a higher or 24-choice height division for all Regular titling classes, but not in a division lower than their proper height division.

All dogs that have not been officially measured for an Agility Jump Height Card may still compete; however, they must be measured by a Judge of record, an Agility Field Representative, or a Volunteer Measuring Official, prior to running.

Dogs listed in the AKC Canine PartnersSM program may be eligible to enter all-breed AKC agility trials at the club's option. These dogs should be listed as All American Dog and must include their AKC number on the entry form and check the AKC No. box.

Junior Handlers should enter their Junior Handler number on the front of this form. Should you not have your Junior Handler number, it may be obtained from the American Kennel Club (919) 233-9767.

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

SIGN HERE X _____

Telephone Number: _____

Email Address: _____ New Email checkbox

In Case of Emergency - Name: _____ Phone #: _____