AKC 2019 EUROPEAN OPEN AGILITY TEAM TRYOUTS
Friday, Saturday and Sunday, November 30 – December 2, 2018

B & D Creekside Activity Center
501 Avenue B
Latrobe, PA 15650

One ring, indoors on field turf

Entries open Monday, October 1, 2018 at 8 a.m. EST
Entries close Wednesday, November 7, 2018 at 8 p.m. EST

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**DIRECTIONS TO THE TRIAL SITE:**

**B & D Creekside Activity Center**  
**501 Avenue B**  
Latrobe, PA 15650

**From the East:** Take I-70/US 30 W. Continue to follow US-30 W. Merge onto PA-982 toward Bradenville (go 1.0 Miles). Turn LEFT onto LIGONIER ST. (LIGONIER is just past DIANE St.) (Go 0.3 Miles). Turn LEFT onto AVENUE B. (AVENUE B is just past AVENUE C) (go 0.3 Miles). 501 AVENUE B is on the RIGHT. (Destination is just past WATKINS AVE.) (Go 0.01 Miles)

**From the West:** Take US-22 E. Turn RIGHT onto PA-981 (go 6.5 Miles). Turn Right onto PA-981/Industrial Blvd. Continue to follow PA-981 S (go 0.5 Miles). Turn LEFT onto LINCOLN AVE./PA-981. Continue to follow LINCOLN AVE. (Lincoln AVE. is just past DEPOT St.) (Go 0.9 Miles). Turn RIGHT onto Cedar ST. (CEDAR ST. is 0.1 miles past CHERRY ST.) (Go 0.1 Miles). Turn LEFT onto LIGONIER ST. (go 0.3 Miles). Turn RIGHT onto AVENUE B (AVENUE B is just past AVENUE A) (go 0.3 Miles). 501 AVENUE B is on the RIGHT. (Destination is just past WATKINS AVE.) (Go 0.01 Miles).

**From the North:** Take I-76 S (Pennsylvania Turnpike). Merge onto US-30 E via EXIT 67 toward GREENSBURG (go 18.9 Miles). Merge onto PA-982 toward Bradenville (go 1.0 Miles). Turn LEFT onto LIGONIER ST. (LIGONIER is just past DIANE St.) (Go 0.3 Miles). Turn LEFT onto AVENUE B. (AVENUE B is just past AVENUE C) (go 0.3 Miles). 501 AVENUE B is on the RIGHT. (Destination is just past WATKINS AVE.) (Go 0.01 Miles)

**From the South:** Take US-119 N. Merge onto US-30 E. Merge onto PA-982 toward Bradenville (go 1.0 Miles). Turn LEFT onto LIGONIER ST. (LIGONIER is just past DIANE SL.) (Go 0.3 Miles). Turn LEFT onto AVENUE B. (AVENUE B is just past AVENUE C) (go 0.3Miles). 501 AVENUE B is on the RIGHT. (Destination is just past WATKINS AVE.) (Go 0.01 Miles)

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**Tryouts Rules**

The rules for the 2019 European Open Tryouts competition will be based upon the FCI rules which will be in effect at the 2019 EO. These rules could include jump and A-frame height changes and/or judging methods. EOTT rules will be adjusted to reflect any and all FCI rule changes which directly affect the 2019 EO.

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**HOTEL INFORMATION**

(check pet policies when making reservations, many have pet fees and/or dog limits)

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<td>300 Scenery Lane, Greensburg, PA 15601</td>
<td>724-691-0570</td>
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<td>Ramada Greensburg</td>
<td>100 Ramada Inn Dr., Greensburg, PA 15601</td>
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<td>Super 8 Delmont</td>
<td>180 Sheffield Dr., Delmont, PA 15626</td>
<td>724-468-4888</td>
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<td>Econo Lodge New Stanton</td>
<td>110 North Main St., New Stanton, PA 15672</td>
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For 2019 the American Kennel Club (AKC) will approve entry for 32 dogs selected through the EOTT process and through the online credential/qualification process to the European Open (EO) agility competition to be held July 25-28, 2019 in The Netherlands (http://eo2019.eu)

There will be one competition with 4 rounds.

### Basic Eligibility for all candidates entering European Open Team Tryouts (EOTT)

- Any Candidate younger than 18 years of age at EOTT must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian at their own expense (e.g.: air, hotel & ground travel). This includes: at the EOTT competition and international competitions as well as team practices, should the minor become an AKC EO Team member.
- The Candidate showing the dog at EOTT will be the only handler allowed to compete with the dog at the International competitions.
- The handler of the dog at EOTT must be the handler who showed the dog to gain its minimum score or title requirements.
- Candidates must be the registered owner or co-owner of record of the dog at entry closing time for EOTT.
- Candidate must be willing to travel with the team to the European Open.
- Candidate must be willing to acquire any documentation required by the local government(s). (i.e. Passport)
- Team Members must be willing to have their dog treated for tapeworm within 30 days of the competition if the host country requires it. Team Members must be willing to vaccinate their dog for rabies no more than one year prior, but also no less than one month prior to the date of the competition.
- Please note that it is important that your dog’s microchip and/or tattoo numbers be on your rabies certificates. You will likely need to ask your vet to manually add this information and sign it as it is not common practice to include it. ISO compatible microchips are the only ones recognized in Europe.
- Candidates must be in good standing with the American Kennel Club. Any Candidate who has received a misconduct charge during the year prior to tryouts will not be allowed to compete at EOTT. Any handler who receives a misconduct charge after earning a spot on the team, and before the competition, may also be subject to sanction up to and including removal from the team by the Team Coach, Asst. Team Coach, and AKC Director of Agility.
- Candidates must at all times demonstrate extreme Good Sportsmanship while participating in or watching any agility event. The Team Coach, Asst. Team Coach, and AKC Director of Agility may refuse entry to EOTT and/or the EO team to any handler who demonstrates verbal or physical abuse to a dog or fellow competitor or acts abusive or challenging to an agility judge.
- Candidates are representatives of the agility program in the United States and are also representing those companies which sponsor agility in the United States.
- Any Candidate who makes the 2019 EO Team agrees to attend all Team Practices and Team Meetings held in the Netherlands.

### HEIGHT DIVISIONS

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<td>12 inches</td>
<td>for dogs 13-3/4” and under at the shoulder</td>
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<td>Medium</td>
<td>16 inches</td>
<td>for dogs 16-7/8” and under at the shoulder</td>
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<td>Large</td>
<td>24 inches</td>
<td>for dogs over 16-7/8” at the shoulder</td>
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All small and medium dogs competing at Tryouts will be measured by the Agility Director. Due to stricter measuring procedures at the FCI competitions, dogs within 1” of the cutoff should be prepared to also be measured by both judges of record at the Tryouts. Dogs measuring over will run FEO (for exhibition only). Dogs who have “measured in” at the AWC in prior years or EO starting in 2016 competition do not need to be measured at EOTT.
FCI European Open (EO)

- Eight (8) Large, 4 Medium, and 4 Small will win a spot on the team based on their performance at the European Open Team Tryouts (EOTT)
  - A $500 cash prize will be given to the following handlers to help defray travel expenses. The prize will be awarded after attendance at the EO competition.
    - Large Dogs: Round 1-2-3-4 – 1st Place Winners
    - Medium Dogs: Round 1-2-3-4 – 1st Place Winners
    - Small Dogs: Round 1-2-3-4 – 1st Place Winners
- One dog/handler team from Small, Medium, and Large Height division (Heights 12, 16, 24) will win a spot on the team based on their performance in the ISC Standard Class at the 2019 NAC.
  - If the winning team has been selected/won their spot, prior to AKC Nationals, this spot will go to the 2nd place winner.
  - If the 2nd place winner has been selected/won their spot, it will go back to Coach’s choice.
- The remaining 13 dogs will be chosen by the EO Team Management based on a variety of criteria (see below). These spots will be announced by December 21, 2018

32 total dogs will be chosen for the EO. 16 of those will be large dogs, 8 of those will be in the medium class, and 8 of those will be in the small class.

FCI European Open (EO) Candidate Qualifications

Entry to the EOTT requires that the dog has achieved one of the two tracks: Either track must be achieved by Wednesday November 7, 2018
- Track 1: Achieved an AX and AXJ Titles. Also, have one qualifying score in Premier STD and Premier JWW.
- Track 2: Dog must have three (3) Qualifying Score in Premier STD and 3 Qualifying Scores in Premier JWW.
- All Teams must also meet the Basic Eligibility requirements listed above.
- All breeds and mixed breeds can compete at the EO and as such are eligible for EOTT.
- Dogs with Cropped Ears or Docked Tails we expect will be able to compete at the EO. Will update as soon as confirmed.

All 32 dogs must be registered with the AKC to compete at the FCI European Open AKC/USA Team. Dogs must have an AKC registration number, PAL/ILP number or AKC Canine Partners listing number.

EO TEAM SCORING

- There will be four (4) rounds total over two days and every dog will run every round – two Jumping and two Agility runs.
- Standard course time (SCT) for each round will be based on an average of the two (2) fastest & least faulted rounds plus 10%.
- Time faults (time over SCT) will be added back into your Round Score. (i.e. SCT is 30.00 and Run Time is 31.50… 1.50 will be added for a Round Score of 33.00) for rounds 1-4.
- Faults – A fault will be scored at 2.5 points. Any three (3) faults (missed contact, dropped bar, etc.) will be scored as an elimination (E) for rounds 1-4. A wrong course will also be scored as an elimination (E) for rounds 1-4.
- Refusals will be called but not scored for rounds 1-4.
- For each round, dogs will be ranked based on time plus faults. Dogs with a score of elimination (E) will not earn a score.
- Below are the Win On Spots at EOTT. If the 1st and/or 2nd Place Winner is a Team Member, the spot will go to the 3rd Place Winner. After that, it will go back to EO Team Management choice.
  - Saturday:
    - Large Dogs:
      - Round 1 – Agility – 1st and 2nd Place Winner
      - Round 2 – Jumping - 1st and 2nd Place Winner
    - Medium Dogs:
      - Round 1 – Agility – 1st Place Winner
      - Round 2 – Jumping – 1st Place Winner
    - Small Dogs:
      - Round 1 – Agility – 1st Place Winner
      - Round 2 – Jumping – 1st Place Winner
  - Sunday:
    - Large Dogs:
      - Round 3 – Agility – 1st and 2nd Place Winner
      - Round 4 – Jumping – 1st and 2nd Place Winner
    - Medium Dogs:
      - Round 3 – Agility – 1st Place Winner
      - Round 4 – Jumping – 1st Place Winner
    - Small Dogs:
      - Round 3 – Agility – 1st Place Winner
      - Round 4 – Jumping – 1st Place Winner

Tie-Breakers – In the case of a tie for a placement (1st through 3rd), a run-off will determine the placement.
NOTICE TO EXHIBITORS

- Exhibitors alone are responsible for the behavior of their dogs and/or children. Any dogs and/or children that create unnecessary disturbances or repeatedly engages in unsafe or disruptive behavior may be asked to leave.
- Scores from the Tryouts will not count towards AKC titles or MACH points because these scores will not be recorded by the AKC Records Dept.
- There will be a $25.00 service fee for any returned checks.
- All rights to video tape, televise, advertise, photograph, promote and otherwise exploit this event are vested in the American Kennel Club. All persons and the owners of the animals in attendance who appear in any resultant effort grant the use of their likeness and voice without further consent. Exhibitors may video tape their own individual runs for personal use.
- TRIAL HOURS: 7:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. EST. The trial site will be available to exhibitors Friday for set-up. Dogs cannot be left overnight at the trial site. Estimated finish time on Sunday will be determined when entries closes on November 7, 2018.
- There will be a general briefing for exhibitors on Friday evening 6:00pm – attendance is not required but recommended.
- The running order will be decided by a public random draw during check-in on Friday.
- Practice time will be available on the equipment on-site on Friday, November 30, 2018. The cost is included in the entry fee. It will be conducted similar to the practice held at the European Open. More details will be provided in the confirmation.
- For Exhibition Only (FEO) – You may enter this event as an FEO Dog. This will mean that your scores will not be accounted during the Team Tryouts. You will run at the beginning of the height class. Teams may enter FEO only if they do not have a dog competing in the EOTT.
- During the event’s check-in, all exhibitors will be required to fill out and sign AKC’s European Open Team Consent and Release Form.

AWARDS

Rosettes will be given for 1st-3rd places in each individual round in each jump height. Rosettes will also be given for each dog winning spots on the EO team in each jump height.
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 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 clubs, their members, directors, governors, officials, 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 for 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 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 settle 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

Dogs entered must compete at the required jump height and may not compete in a jump height division higher or lower than their proper height division.

Dogs listed in the AKC Canine Partners℠ 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.

ALL RIGHTS TO APPEARANCES

All rights to videotape, televise, advertise, photograph, promote and otherwise exploit this event are vested in the American Kennel Club. All persons and animals in attendance who appear in any resultant effort grant the use of their likeness and voice without further consent. Exhibitors may video tape individual runs only for personal use.

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. If the Junior Handler is not the owner of the dog identified on the face of this form, what is the relationship of the Junior Handler to the Owner?

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 Kennel Club 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 above on this entry form. I (we) certify and represent that the dog entered is not a hazard to persons or other dogs. This entry is submitted for acceptance on the foregoing representation and Agreement. I (we) agree to conduct myself (ourselves) in accordance with all such Rules and Regulations (including all provisions applying to discipline) and to abide by any decisions made in accord with them.

SIGNATURE OF OWNER OR HIS AGENT DULLY AUTHORIZED TO MAKE THIS ENTRY

TELEPHONE ___________________________ E-MAIL ADDRESS ___________________________

If attending, I prefer: ☐ Morning ☐ Afternoon ☐ No Preference

Notes: ____________________________________________

https://www.akc.org/sports/agility/events/akc-european-open-agility-team/
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I hereby represent and warrant that I am 21 years of age or older, I am the legal owner or the agent of the legal owner of the dog named below, I have the right to enter into this agreement and to grant the rights hereunder, and entering into this agreement does not in any way conflict with any existing commitment on my part. I state further that I have read this agreement prior to its execution, and I am fully familiar with its contents.