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# INFORMATIONAL BOOKLET

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## American Kennel Club

# NATIONAL TRACKING INVITATIONAL

2018277117

**Saturday and Sunday, October 6 & 7, 2018**

Hosted by

Greater Louisville Training Club & Mid-Kentucky Kennel Club

**Closing Date ~ Wednesday, September 5, 2018, at 5:00 pm EDT**

**Test is Limited to 12 dogs**



**BERNHEIM ARBORETUM & RESEARCH FOREST  
2499 CLERMONT ROAD  
CLERMONT, KY 40110**

### INVITATIONAL JUDGES

Annette H Cochrane ~ Wisconsin • Meg Azevedo ~ California  
Walter E O'Brien ~ Illinois • Ken Barna ~ Ohio

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### CERTIFICATION



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

Gina M. DiNardo, Executive Secretary

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## NATIONAL TRACKING INVITATIONAL EVENT COMMITTEE

**Committee Chair ~ Terry McGauley**, 280 Stargel Lane, Shepherdsville, KY 40165

**Committee Secretary ~ Dorothy Hofner**, 3029 Bobolink Rd, Louisville, KY 40217

**Committee Treasurer ~ Mary Ginter**, PO Box 745, Campbellsville, KY 42719

**Event Chair ~ Terry McGauley**, 280 Stargel Lane, Shepherdsville, KY 40165

**Event Secretary ~ Mary Ginter**, PO Box 745, Campbellsville, KY 42719

**Hospitality Co-Chairs ~ Ralph & Dorothy Sneve**, 4006 Willowview Blvd, Louisville, KY 40299

**Catalog Chair ~ Cheryl Tisdale**, 3850 W. Trimble Road, Milton, TN 37118

**Fundraising Chair ~ Dorothy Hofner**, 3029 Bobolink Rd, Louisville, KY 40217

**Chief Tracklayers ~ Terry McGauley & Jeff Whitsitt**



## CLUB OFFICERS

### GREATER LOUISVILLE TRAINING CLUB

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## AKC FIELD REPRESENTATIVE

Carol Ruthenberg

## JUDGES

**Annette H Cochrane (7236)**

N8158 1130th St

River Falls, WI 54022

**Walter E O'Brien (6074)**

35W426 Miller Rd

Dundee, IL 60118

**Meg Azevedo (90144)**

8228 Woods Edge Ln

Elk Grove, CA 95758

**Ken Barna (66579)**

13703 Fisher Rd

Burton, OH 44021

## DOGS ELIGIBLE TO ENTER

This event is by invitation only. All dogs earning the Champion Tracker (CT) title during the qualifying period, January 1, 2010 ~ June 30, 2018, will be invited. Priority in the draw will be given to dogs that have not been exhibited in any of the AKC National Tracking Invitational events held in 2009, 2011, 2013, or 2016. Entries are limited to 12 dogs.

## OFFICIAL AKC NATIONAL TRACKING INVITATIONAL ENTRY FORM

The Official Entry Form will be **sent via email** to all dogs eligible to enter. **ENTRIES NOT ON THE OFFICIAL AKC NATIONAL TRACKING INVITATIONAL ENTRY FORM OR PHOTO-COPIES OF THE ENTRY FORM** without the Agreement and Rules on the reverse side are NOT ACCEPTABLE. No entry shall be made or accepted, which specifies any conditions as to its acceptance.

**Mail entry form and fees to: Mary Ginter, Event Secretary, National Tracking Invitational;** PO Box 745, Campbellsville, KY 42719. Please make checks payable to NTI Committee.

**No entries will be accepted by phone or email.** Express mail entries must include the signature waiver allowing them to be left at the secretary's address.

**Illegible entries** will not be processed and will be returned to the exhibitor. Returned checks do not constitute a valid entry. A \$25 (twenty-five dollar) collection fee will be added to the amount of each returned check.

**ERRORS ON ENTRY FORMS** Owners are responsible for errors on entry forms.

**CLOSING DATE** for entries is Wednesday, September 5, 2018, at 5:00 pm EDT.

## ENTRY FEES PER DOG

Entry Fee per Dog\* .....\$200.00

Entry fee will include entrance into the event, lunches Saturday and Sunday, and Saturday evening banquet for the exhibitor. \*Entry Fees will not be processed until after the event. Should you not compete in the event your payment will be destroyed.

## DRAW FOR ENTRIES

The draw for entries will be held on Wednesday, September 5, 2018, at 7:00 pm at 4006 Willowview Blvd, Louisville, KY 40299.

For more details on this year's event, please visit the AKC website at <http://www.akc.org/sports/tracking/events/akc-national-tracking-invitational> or join the 2018 AKC National Tracking Invitational Facebook group at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/224893001180338>

## AKC NATIONAL TRACKING INVITATIONAL REQUIREMENTS

The tracks will comply with Chapter 4 of the AKC *Tracking Regulations*, with the following modifications:

<b>Turns:</b>	5 – 7
<b>Age of Track:</b>	2 – 4 hours
<b>Length of Track:</b>	600 – 800 yards
<b>Cross-tracks:</b>	Natural, none plotted
<b>Obstacles:</b>	At least two
<b>Articles:</b>	4 (cloth for start article, plastic, metal, & leather)
<b>Surfaces:</b>	Variable terrain, cover, & surfaces as available. Each track will offer different scenting challenges such as vehicle, pedestrian, & animal traffic; woods, water, and/or non-vegetated surfaces.

### DRAW FOR RUNNING ORDER

The draw for running order will take place at Test Headquarters at 9:00 am each morning, followed by the running of the first track shortly thereafter. The draw will be held at **BERNHEIM ARBORETUM & RESEARCH FOREST GARDEN PAVILION, 2499 CLERMONT ROAD, CLERMONT, KY 40110**. There will be signs once you enter the area to direct you to Test Headquarters.

### ROSETTES, AWARDS, & PRIZES

- Participating dogs will receive
  - Certificate of Participation
  - Award
  - Rosette
  - Catalog
  - Commemorative T-shirt
- Eligible dogs that do not participate will receive
  - Certificate of eligibility

### COMMEMORATIVE T-SHIRTS

Commemorative T-shirts are being sold to mark this event. Information on ordering may be found online on the 2018 National Tracking Invitational Facebook group page as well as on the AKC website.

[www.facebook.com/groups/224893001180338](https://www.facebook.com/groups/224893001180338)

<https://www.akc.org/sports/tracking/events/akc-national-tracking-invitational/>

The deadline for ordering apparel is **Friday, September 14, 2018**. For those unable to attend the 2018 AKC National Tracking Invitational, we are offering to ship any items ordered for a \$7 shipping/handling fee per item. These orders will be shipped the week of October 8, 2018, AFTER the AKC National Tracking Invitational.

**If you have any questions concerning the event, you may email us at [nosetogo246@yahoo.com](mailto:nosetogo246@yahoo.com).**

## IMPORTANT DEADLINE DATES TO REMEMBER!

- **Friday, September 14, 2018**
  - Commemorative T-shirt orders due (including exhibitor T-shirt sizes)
- **Monday, September 17, 2018**
  - Catalog and Well Wisher ads due
  - Entrant biography and pictures due
  - Guest meal reservations due
- **Tuesday, September 18, 2018**
  - AKC Invitational block of rooms at Wingfield Inn released

## HOTEL INFORMATION

### Host Hotel -- Wingfield Inn & Suites

1043 Executive Drive, Elizabethtown, KY 42701 (270) 769-3030

**Ask for the AKC National Tracking Invitational rate (\$89.99 per night plus taxes).**

Wingfield Inn will hold this block of rooms until September 18, 2018,  
or when the block is sold out, whichever comes first.

### Motel 6 - Elizabethtown

1042 N Mulberry St, Elizabethtown, KY 42701  
(270) 769-3102

AKC has a special agreement with Motel 6 to offer 10% discount nationwide. Some locations and dates may be excluded. **Mention account number CPM64DOG.** Reservations can be made at 855-M64-DOGS (855-664-3647), with any Motel 6 property directly, or at [www.motel6.com/en/cp/american-kennel-club.html](http://www.motel6.com/en/cp/american-kennel-club.html).

## NOTICES TO ALL EXHIBITORS

**ENTRY FEE WILL NOT BE REFUNDED** in the event of errors or if a dog is withdrawn from the test after the closing date, absent on the day of the test, disqualified, excused by judges or barred from competition by the test committee, unless an alternate exhibitor is available and willing to take the spot of the exhibitor. If, because of storms or other acts beyond the control of the management, it is impossible to open or complete this event, no refund of entry fees will be made.

**CANCELLATION OF ENTRIES** before the stated closing date must be made in writing or by e-mail to the Test Secretary, and must be received by the secretary prior to the stated closing time.

**BITCHES IN SEASON MAY PARTICIPATE.** Notification must be made to the Test Secretary prior to drawing for tracks. Such bitch(es) will run only after all other dogs have run and must be kept away from the immediate vicinity of the test prior to running.

**SPECIAL TRAINING COLLARS ARE PROHIBITED.**

**SAFETY, BEHAVIOR and LIABILITY: The safety of the dog** is our primary concern. By entering this test, exhibitors acknowledge that they are familiar with the rules and regulations of the AKC. **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 Event Committee be asked to leave the show grounds. 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.

**This club does agree to arbitrate claims as set forth on the Official AKC NATIONAL TRACKING INVITATIONAL Entry Form for this event.**

**Exhibitors are responsible** for cleaning up after their dog(s) at the show site and hotels. 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.

### **CATALOG ADVERTISEMENTS**

Advertise your club or company or just send a picture or a happy thought to a special person, trainer, or friend that is participating at the 2018 AKC National Tracking Invitational in Clermont, Kentucky. This year's catalog will be 8.5 x 5.5 inches, allowing for a full-page ad area approximately 4.5 x 7.5 for posting your message and or picture. Only finished size camera ready ads will be accepted. They may be sent electronically or mailed to the Catalog Chair at the address listed below.

**All photos will be in black and white**

Full page ad up to 4.5 x 7.5 ..... \$75.00

½ page ad up to 4.5 x 3.5 ..... \$50.00

Back cover full page ad (first come, first served) ..... \$125

### **WELL WISHERS PAGE**

For \$25.00 you can have a space on the Well Wishers Page! Send good luck wishes to your favorite participant, trainer, friend, or to the sport of tracking in general. Wishes limited to 25 words or less.

**Deadline for submission is Monday, September 17, 2018.**

To place an advertisement, contact: Cheryl Tisdale, Catalog Chair  
3850 W. Trimble Road  
Milton, TN 3718  
EQWYND@PEOPLEPC.COM  
Phone: 615-653-5523

## **PUBLICATION RIGHTS – PHOTOGRAPHS & VIDEOS**

By entering this event, all owners, handlers, breeders, and kennels agree that all rights to televise, videotape, photograph, advertise, promote, and publicize or otherwise exploit this show, or the persons or animals participating in it or the results of the competition before, during or after the event, shall belong solely to The American Kennel Club and their respective assigns, including the use of the names, likenesses, or biographical matter of all dogs, owners, handlers, breeders, and kennels participating in the show and no such owner, handler, breeder, or kennel shall allow any other party to make commercial use of any videotape or photograph of any person or animal participating in this competition. NOTE: By entering this show all owners, handlers, breeders, and kennels agree to make themselves available for interview if requested. Exhibitors may videotape **individual runs only** for personal use.

## **EMERGENCY SERVICES - CLERMONT/SHEPHERDSVILLE**

**FIRE / AMBULANCE / POLICE ~ DIAL 911**

### **MEDICAL SERVICES**

**Jewish Hospital Medical Center South  
1903 West Hebron Lane, Shepherdsville, KY 40165  
(502) 955-3000 ~ Main Switchboard**

Going north on KY-245 toward I-65 North. Take the KY-1065 exit (Exit 121) toward Brooks Road. Turn right onto Brooks Hill Rd/KY-1526 E. Turn right onto Bluelick Rd/KY-1526. Follow KY-1526 for approximately 1 mile, Medical Center will be on the left.

### **VETERINARY SERVICES**

**Jefferson Animal Hospital ~ 24-Hour Emergency Trauma Center  
4504 Outer Loop, Louisville, KY 40219 (502) 966-4104**

Travel north on KY-245 toward I-65 North. Take the KY-1065/Outer Loop exit (Exit 127) toward Okolona/Fairdale. Merge onto Outer Loop/KY-1065 East toward Okolona. Jefferson Animal Hospital will be approximately 1 mile down. Drive time estimated 30 minutes (21 miles).

**Metropolitan Veterinary Specialists & Emergency Service ~ 24-Hour Care Facility  
11800 Capital Way, Louisville, KY 40299 (502) 266-7007**

Traveling north on I-65, merge onto I-265 North then I-64 West. Take I-64 West to Blankenbaker Parkway South (Exit 17). Travel 1 mile south of I-64. Metropolitan Veterinary is on the left at the corner of Capital Way and Blankenbaker Parkway. Turn left on Capital Way to enter the parking lot.

## **EMERGENCY SERVICES - ELIZABETHTOWN**

**FIRE / AMBULANCE / POLICE ~ DIAL 911**

### **MEDICAL SERVICES**

**Hardin Memorial Hospital  
913 N Dixie Ave, Elizabethtown, KY 42701  
(270) 706-1212 ~ Main Switchboard**

From I65, Exit 94, turn southwest onto N Mulberry St (Hwy 62). Travel 2.4 miles then turn right onto W Dixie Ave. Travel 1.2 miles then turn left onto Patriot Pkwy/Woodland Drive. Travel 0.3 miles and the hospital will be on your right.

### **VETERINARY SERVICES**

**Elizabethtown Animal Hospital ~ After hours on-call veterinarian  
831 Ring Rd, Elizabethtown, KY 42701 (270) 737-8220**

The NTI Committee would like to thank the American Kennel Club and Companion Events Department for their support of this year's National Tracking Invitational.

The Committee would also like to thank all of the Volunteers who have given so generously of their time and energy in organizing the event, plotting and laying the tracks, providing great food and hospitality, as well as the Judges and Entrants participating this year and the Enthusiasts offering support.

**THANK YOU ALL!!!**