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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

changes are coming. this is an election year for ascne. anne hubbard, jen chase and peter kontos are the nominating committee. there will be vacancies on the ascne board, do you plan to run? don't like the way things have been going, want to see changes, wish something was done differently? here is your chance, now is the time to step up and volunteer for your club. email anne hubbard at familydogtrainingri@gmail.com to run for a position.

i want to also take this opportunity to thank the current board members. some did not expect to be in their positions, but stepped up when the call for help went out.

we had a big discussion at the sept meeting about hmm and mva. what are your thoughts on stock at hmm? while it's great to have a trial that encompasses multiple competitions, it's hard on the competitors and harder still to find volunteers to run the trials. stock especially is a lot of work. nothing was settled, and additional ideas are welcome.

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FROM THE EDITOR:



NEXT MEETING:

The November 5th meeting is at Pawsitive Kinection in Grantham, NH

The building will be open at 9:30am and agility run thrus from 10-11:30. Then pot luck lunch and meeting at noon.

Directions:

From north: I-89 south to exit 13 turn right (south on route 10) at the end of the exit. Sawyer Brook Plaza (same one as the Dunkin Donuts) is about 1/2 mile on the right. Turn into the plaza and head to the back of the plaza towards the vet's office. Our building is to left of the vet's office.

From the south: I-89 north to exit 13 turn left (south on route 10) at the end of the exit. Sawyer Brook Plaza (same one as the Dunkin Donuts) is about 1/2 mile on the right. Turn into the plaza and head to the back of the plaza towards the vet's office. Our building is to left of the vet's office.

The GPS address is Sawyer Brook Plaza, Route 10 Grantham, NH 03753.

The nominating committee will present their slate of officers for the election and final nominations can still be submitted from the floor at this time.

Happy Fall, everyone!

We are very lucky indeed to spend our lives with Aussies. At the many classes, trials, events, and even out in public, I am struck by how our breed excels at so many things and love whatever work they are asked to do. And, yet, they are delightful companions as well; able to play, snuggle, rest at our feet, be our shadows. Versatility is a beautiful thing.

This issue is full of important things! We have elections coming up! There are discussions about the MVA award and how to address the challenges of stock at HMM.

Please send news, brags, and updates announcements about upcoming events; and event results to me at ariane.m.bailey@gmail.com. I'm especially grateful for photographs to be included with the above (please tell me who is in the photo).

Thank you all and hope to see you at a trial this Fall!

Ariane

ELECTIONS

ELECTIONS ARE COMING SOON!

We are looking to fill several positions on the Board of Directors and we hope YOU will be interested in running for one of these positions.

There are several important issues that face our club and we welcome members who are interested in shaping the future of our club.

Interested, but not sure what each of the Board positions entails? The club's By-laws are posted on the ASCNE website (http://www.ascne.org/members/ascne_bylaws.htm). Articles V and VI outline the responsibilities and duties of the Board positions.

If you are interested, or if you know someone who would be a good candidate, please contact one of us. Remember that the person you nominate must agree to run!

Nominations due by September 29.

Thank you.

Nominating Committee:

Jen Chase

Anne Hubbard (familydogtrainingri@gmail.com)

Peter Kontos

NEWS, BRAGS, AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

From Lee and Linda Prager:

Ike and Lee got their ATCH IV, Miranda and Linda got their ATCH II at the PEN-NY ASC trial at Paws for Thought Farm in Groton NY on July 29. Thank you judge Lora Del Page.





From Kelly Bowie:

Above is a crowd of ASCNE Aussies at WASCUNY's September Agility Trial!

From left to right: Lee and Linda Prager's Miranda, Ike, and Fia; Wendy Richmond's Axl and Ozzy; Kelly Bowie's Piper; and Audrey McKay's Fable and Darby



From Cindy Fields:

My dogs participated in the ASCME Downeast Stockdog Trial July 15th and 16th in Maine. Ty earned his Advanced Trial Dog in ducks and Jams earned one leg towards her Started Trial Dog in sheep.

MEETING MINUTES:

Minutes from the Sept 10, 2017 ASCNE meeting at Canine Mastery, Seekonk, MA

Meeting was called to order at 12:10pm

Attending: Gull Gullicksen, Kathy Buckley, Pauli Haggis, Bill Haggis, Kathie Chouinard, Anne Hubbard, Steven Phillips, Elyse Phillips, Dottie Duclos, Diane Johnson, Dianne Barrett, Deb Keach-Tomes, Susan Winters

Secretary's report The minutes from the July 9 meeting were in the newsletter. A copy was available if anyone needed to read them. Anne Hubbard made a motion to waive the reading of the minutes, Kathy Buckley seconded. Motion passed. Anne Hubbard made a motion to accept the minutes, Dianne Barrett seconded. Motion passed

Treasurer's report Lee Prager emailed his report to Gull Gullicksen. Copies were on the back of the agenda available.

September 10, 2017 meeting Treasurer's Report			
	Income	Expense	
Beginning Balance (9 Jul 17)	\$ 18,349.69		
Non-trial expenses:			
Website renewal		\$	194.95
Trials:			
Jul 29 - 30 Stockdog trial	\$ 561.43		
Aug 5 - 6 Rally / Obedience Trial	\$ (77.38)		
Aug 19 - 20 Agility Trial	\$ (266.49)		
TOTAL	\$ 217.56	\$	194.95
Balance (31 Aug 17)	\$ 19,039.87	Balance 29 Aug 16 \$27138.10 Not intended to balance due to timing of other trial expenses	

Kathy Buckley commented that she thinks the final outcome of the August 5&6 Rally and Obedience trial was a profit of \$12.

Paul Haggis made a motion to accept the treasurers report, Anne Hubbard seconded. Motion approved.

Affiliate report Michael Kurdzo was not present to give. Michael is working on ASCNE's report for the Aussie Times.

Library report Lisa Andrade now is handling the library. She is going to be ordering some more items, let her know if you have any suggestions. Robin has updated the list on the website.

ASCA Board report no one present

Sunshine report Joey Mason broke her leg.

Event updates

Working on the sanctioning for the Nov 11 & 12 Rally and Obedience trial in Seekonk, MA.

Kate Viles is hosting the November 5 meeting at Pawsitive Kinection, Sawyer Brook Plaza, Rt 10 South, Grantham, NH.

Anne Hubbard wanted to discuss stock at HMM and MVA. *<Anne's complete letter follows in this newsletter, see "Addendum">*

There were many questions and comments. How important is MVA to ASCNE, to HMM? # of MVA entries have been down in recent years. Is this a steady trend or just a lull? Does today's lifestyles make it too difficult for people to have access to stock to train? Do people find it too hard to participate in so many things in one weekend? Accommodating MVA participants can lead to schedule problems at the different rings. Will other/new things (dock jumping, barn hunt) come to HMM, stretching people even further? Right now ASCNE follows ASCA's MVA rules, but we do not have to. Would having the stock portion of MVA at another trial help their entries? What about a year end MVA at ROM instead? This could be a scoring nightmare for someone. Could the club help people some how become involved in stock? This comes back again to limited knowledgeable stock people able to help beginners. Nothing was resolved, but sentiment leaned towards designating one stock trial to count towards MVA while the other scores were taken at HMM.

Kathie Chouinard made a motion to accept the reports, Pauli Haggis seconded. Motion was approved.

Old business

The 3 new members from the July meeting have been voted in - Robert & Martha Jean Wheaton (Dottie Duclos mentioned they have now moved to VT), Marlene Souza, Gail Stone.

ASCNE bylaws Anne Hubbard has gone thru the ASCA blueprints for affiliate bylaws and compared to ASCNE's. Most of Anne's suggestions she will send to the ASCNE board are minor changes. There is a set procedure and timeline with ASCA for an affiliate club to change their bylaws.

New business

Dottie Duclos had no new membership applications.

ASCNE elections are this November. There will be open positions on the board. Please think of running. Anne Hubbard is the board representative on the committee, and she is looking for two other committee members.

At the Nationals they are going to have a slideshow of volunteers. ASCNE has a huge amount of great volunteers, we should send in representatives. Individuals can also do this, it does not have to go thru ASCNE.

Meeting adjourned 1:06pm

Addendum: Letter regarding Stock at HMM from Anne Hubbard

Thoughts on Stock at Harvest Moon Mania Show and MVA (Most Versatile Aussie) Award

This year (2017) there will be no stock at the HMM trial and hence, no MVA award. This is a departure from previous years, and provides the club a chance to step back and look at HMM as a showcase for our club and the role of stock at HMM and the MVA itself.

Background

Stock

When HMM began, it began with stock and conformation classes. Over the years, other venues were added, so that HMM trials have come to showcase stock, conformation, agility, obedience, and rally classes and the MVA program. It has become a huge undertaking, requiring enormous human resources (including volunteers) and the coordination of all the venues.

While each venue has its resource and volunteer issues, stock is particularly challenging because of the need to “truck in” what is essentially a “working stock farm” for the trial. This includes stock, feed, pens, water, hoses, buckets, and other equipment, etc. in order to keep the stock (usually ducks, sheep, cattle) for the 3 days of the trial. All of this needs to be in place by Thursday afternoon before the start of the stock trial on Friday. In addition, the stock must be fed, watered, and supervised during the entire trial. The dismantling of the show is also a huge undertaking, lasting into the Monday morning after the HMM show itself. It is the only venue that may not be fully dismantled on Sunday following the show.

The set up alone for stock is a huge undertaking and takes an entire day (and more) of dedicated volunteers. (In 2016, several volunteers came the week before the trial to set up as much ahead of time as possible.) This is hard physical labor and none of the volunteers is getting any younger!!!

While the panels for the stock pens are in one of the barns at the fairgrounds, they must all be carried/moved to both the barn housing the sheep and ducks, and to the arena area to set up the take-pens for the trial itself. The fencing in the arena and the cattle area must be inspected and reinforced as appropriate. The gates (fence panels) used in the sheep and cattle arena trials must be carried and set up (requiring pounding fence poles into the ground to set them up). The duck arena must be erected from scratch, with each panel being secured by posts pounded into rather hard ground. The ducks are housed adjacent to the sheep, secured by xpens brought to the site by duck owners, club members, etc. Feed for stock (hay, grain, etc.) and bedding (for ducks) must be brought to the site. Sufficient water and feed buckets, as well as hoses, etc. must be brought in and placed at various spots to keep stock fed and watered day and night.

On the days of the trials, stock must be moved from the barn/field areas to the arenas and back again for the different classes and volunteers work in the take pens during the classes to set out and put away the stock for each run.

The club has been fortunate to have had very dedicated workers over the years and particularly over the past number of years when we have had one course director and a team of volunteers who worked with her to run the stock trials. In addition, during this time, other volunteers have faithfully come to set up and take down the pens and equipment after the trial.

MVA (Most Versatile Aussie)

The MVA award recognizes the most versatile Aussie at the HMM trial. To compete for the award, dogs must qualify in a regular stock dog class and be evaluated in a separate MVA conformation evaluation. In addition, dogs need to earn a qualifying score in at least one of the performance programs offered at HMM (agility, obedience, rally). The club follows the ASCA rules for MVA scoring, but is not bound to offer MVA in the same format as ASCA does.

For the past few years, the number of MVA competitors has been very small. Whether this is a trend that will continue, or whether it is just a dip in a long-term trend, is unclear. What is clear, however, is that there must be someone who can judge the MVA conformation class – whether it is a separate judge just for that class, or one of the regular conformation judges.

The scorekeeping for the MVA class is complicated, but certainly doable, although there have been times when it has been difficult to find someone to take on that task at HMM.

Discussion

So...what do we do moving forward?

Times have changed and peoples' lives have changed. This has affected ASCNE members and how much time they can devote to volunteering for ASCNE events. We are now in a position to rethink the HMM show and the role of stock and MVA at this show.

No one has stepped forward to be stock chair at HMM for 2017 (or beyond). This position is a very demanding one, requiring knowledge and experience with stock and/or experience of trialing on stock.

It is increasingly difficult to find people with stock who are willing and able to truck in stock for the trials.

And, it is an onerous task to assemble and transport all the equipment needed for the care and feeding of the stock while at the show. No one stepped forward to be course director for 2017. As a result, in 2017 there will not be a stock trial at HMM and there will be no MVA competition at HMM.

If the MVA competition is not that important to the club, then we might not continue to offer a stock trial at HMM and just offer the stock trials we currently support (and/or rethink additional stock trials unconnected to HMM). Or..., if we feel strongly that HMM means stock trials plus other venue shows/trials, then offer stock, but no MVA.

If the MVA competition is very important to the club how might we continue to offer a stock trial (and hence MVA) and how would we provide the stock portion of the MVA competition? There are some options we might think of.

1. We might designate another ASCNE stock trial as the “official” one for MVA. That is...if someone wanted to enter MVA, they would have to enter the designated stock trial for their stock score, and then enter the other venue classes at HMM. It makes sense to continue to offer the other classes at HMM and score these for MVA. If we tried to “designate” certain trials as “MVA” trials, the scorekeeping would be a nightmare and require individual competitors to notify the “MVA scorekeeper” about individual scores over the year. This would make the scorekeeping process prone to errors, omissions, etc.
2. Continue (after 2017) to offer a stock trial at HMM and this would continue to count as the MVA stock score. This is easier said than done for the reasons stated above. First of all, the club would need to find a course director each year who is willing to direct the stock trial. It would probably be easier on this person if a committee of “vice-chairs” was filled with folks who would take responsibility for other tasks and the course director oversaw all these subcommittees.

Additional Comments from Anne Hubbard on Stock at HMM

Following the discussion at the September 10th meeting, I talked to some other ASCNE members and we discussed a possibility of offering a duck-only stock trial in 2018 (if allowed by ASCA) as a way to re-introduce a stock trial as part of HMM. Ducks would be the “easiest” stock to use in a one-stock-only trial as the amount of equipment and set up is minimal compared to sheep and/or cattle. If this works well, (that is, if the issues I raised in my original comments are resolved) then in 2019 introduce additional stock (with the related setup/cleanup procedures, etc.).

In addition to setting in place new/additional assistance for setting up/cleaning up the stock trial, we talked about having coordinated meetings of the HMM venue chairs to discuss hiring of judges among all the venues to take advantage (where possible/appropriate) of using judges who could judge multiple venues (or couples who could share hotel space, etc.). This could one way of keeping judging costs down?

In addition to help reduce judging costs, coordinated scheduling of venues could help minimize the conflicts for those who sign up for MVA. This might also encourage more people to sign up for MVA.

The Board is open to the members’ constructive ideas, comments, suggestions etc. as we continue to discuss this issue.

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Reimbursement - Expenses Incurred on Behalf of ASCNE

Requests for reimbursement of expenses incurred on behalf of the club (whether for a trial, show, clinic, seminar, or whatever) must be submitted within 30 days of the event. Exceptions will be handled on an individual basis but the Treasurer must be notified before the 30-day limit is reached, effective March 2006. (From the ASCNE Policy and Procedures Manual, available on the ASCNE's web site)



**23rd ANNUAL
HARVEST MOON MANIA
ASCA SANCTIONED *
ALL BREED AGILITY TRIAL**

**Hosted by
The Australian Shepherd Club of New England
(ASCNE)
(*Sanctioning pending)**

**October 13-15, 2017
Westfield Fairgrounds**

135 Russellville Road

Westfield, MA 01085

**JUDGE:
Darryl Warren, PA (supervising)
Harold Baska, GA (apprentice)**

**CLASSES OFFERED:
Regular (2 Runs Saturday, 3 Runs Sunday)
Jumpers (2 Runs Friday, 1 Run Saturday, 1 Run Sunday)
Gamblers (1 Run, Friday, 2 Runs Saturday, 1 Run Sunday)
For Novice, Open, and Elite
Championship STD/VET/JrH and ACE STD/SR Dog Divisions
For Exhibition Only (FEO) Entries accepted**

**LIMITED TO 350 Runs per Day
Entry by Postmark Date (not delivery date)
Please be sure that the envelope postmark is legible.
Hand stamping by the Post Office is recommended.**

**NO POSTMARKS EARLIER THAN August 23, 2017
ENTRIES/MOVE-UPS CLOSE October 4, 2017**



23rd* Annual ASCNE

*Sanction pending

HARVEST MOON MANIA

October 13 - 15, 2017

Westfield Fairgrounds

137 Russellville Rd, Westfield, MA



All breed **Agility** Friday, Saturday & Sunday
Two all breed **Obedience** Trials Friday and one Saturday
One all breed **Rally** Trial Saturday and one Sunday

1 Conformation Show Friday, 2 Conformation Shows Saturday, 2 Conformation Shows Sunday

Conformation open to ASCA registered Australian Shepherds only.

FMI on Agility, Obedience and Rally see fliers at <http://www.ascne.org/calendar.htm>

Friday	Keli Gaunt - CT Entries 1:30 – 2:30pm	<u>Judging starts 3pm</u>
Saturday AM	David Clayton - FL Entries 7 – 8:30am	<u>Judging starts 9am</u>
Saturday PM	Liz Busquette - GA Entries open after 1 st show ends	<u>Judging starts 30 minutes after end of first show</u>
Sunday AM	Rick Gann - TX Entries 7 – 8am	<u>Judging starts 8:30am</u>
Sunday PM	Erin Swain - MI Entries open after 1 st show ends	<u>Judging starts 30 minutes after end of first show</u>

Regular: Altered & Intact: (Divided by Sex): 6-9, 9-12, 12-15, 15-18, Novice, American Bred, Bred By Exhibitor, Open Blue Merle, Open Red Merle, Open Black, Open Red, Winners Dog, Winners Bitch, Best of Breed

Junior Showmanship: PeeWee, Sub-Jr, 8-12, 13-17 (Novice & Open)

Non-Regular: Veterans 7-9, 10+, 2-4 puppy, 4-6 puppy (Divided by Sex)

Judging Order - Juniors / Puppies / Veterans / Altered / Intact

Pre-entries: Open 8/31 - Close 10/3/17 PRE-ENTRY INCENTIVE - for each dog entered you will receive one chance/per dog to win an amazing raffle basket full of dog and human goodies. Winner drawn Saturday between shows. Donations for basket accepted. Contact Alicia Campbell

Entry Fees	Pre-entry	Day of Show
Junior Showmanship	\$10.00	\$10.00
Non-regular Puppies	\$10.00	\$10.00
Non-Regular Classes	\$17.00 or 5 shows \$77.00	\$20.00
Regular Classes	\$22.00 or 5 shows \$100.00	\$25.00

For Junior Handlers entering dogs they own or co-own, entry fees are one-half the published rate for Regular or Non-regular classes.

Held outside on grass. Prizes include placement ribbons.

General Entry Information: Mail the completed signed form and a check made payable to ASCNE to:

ASCNE SHOW
c/o Alicia Campbell
353 Platt Hill Rd
Winsted, CT 06097
860 309-4405 moonstone6295@yahoo.com

FMI or to volunteer: contact Francine Guerra quefra68@gmail.com 413 949-3264

Please use the current ASCA approved conformation entry form, which may be obtained from <http://www.asca.org/formsandrulebooks>. This trial will be held under the current rules and regulations of ASCA. All dogs in Regular Conformation Classes must be at least 6 months of age or older on the day of the show and must be ASCA registered. No entry shall be accepted from a dog or handler disqualified from the ASCA Conformation program; a dog or handler disqualified from any ASCA programs; or a person not in good standing with ASCA. An individual ASCA registration and rabies certificate should be available. All fees MUST be submitted in US Funds. Returned checks do not constitute a valid entry fee. Returned checks will incur a \$15 service charge.



The Australian Shepherd Club of New England (ASCNE)



invites you to attend

HARVEST MOON MANIA Obedience & Rally

3 All-Breed Obedience Trials and 2 All-Breed Rally Trials *ASCA Sanction pending

October 13-15, 2017

Westfield Fairgrounds

135 Russellville Road, Westfield MA

Obedience

Friday AM Leah Swatko CAN

Friday PM Leah Swatko CAN

Saturday AM Wanda Jenson ME

Obedience entry limit – 25 per trial

Obedience Classes: Utility A,B, Open ODX
A,B, Open CDX A,B, Novice A,B Beginner
Novice A,B, Graduate Novice

*Sits and Downs for Open CDX, Graduate
Novice and Novice will be held at the
beginning of the trial

Rally

Saturday PM Leah Swatko CAN

Sunday AM Leah Swatko CAN

Rally entry limit – 30 per trial

Rally Classes: Masters, Excellent,
Advanced, Novice Levels A, B and C

AM Trials begin at 8:30 AM (Entries taken 7:30-8:00 AM)

PM Trials begins at 12:00 noon or ½ hour after the AM trial, should it run later than 11:30 AM (Entries taken 11:00-11:30 AM).

Pre-entries open 9/1/17 and close 9/30/17. No refunds after the closing date.

Pre-entry fee: \$18 for Rally and Obedience Regular and Optional titling classes

Day of show entry fee: \$20.00 for Rally and Obedience Regular and Optional titling classes

Make checks payable to ASCNE and mail with entry form to Barbara Barreiro 258 Forest Street Sanbornville NH 03872. For more information contact Barbara Barreiro at (603) 986-8491 or b.barreiro@roadrunner.com *Do not forget to sign the back of the entry form.

The show is in a pole barn on a dirt floor. Bitches in season are not allowed. This is an ASCA sanctioned event, no food or corrections allowed. The show site is available on the days of the trial at 7:00AM.

Ribbons are awarded for qualifying scores and placements.



The Australian Shepherd Club of New England
(ASCNE) invites you to attend our

Cranberry Classic Rally & Obedience

2 All - Breed Obedience Trials and 2 All-Breed Rally Trials

ASCNE sanctioning pending

November 11 and 12, 2017

Canine Mastery, 102 A Pond St, Seekonk, MA 02771

Ribbons are awarded for qualifying scores and placement

No flexi-leads in the building.



	November 11, 2017 Obedience	and	November 12, 2017 Rally
Saturday AM	Denise LaCroix, Spencer, MA	Sunday AM	Barb Burri, Plaistow NH
Saturday PM	Denise LaCroix, Spencer, MA	Sunday PM	Barb Burri, Plaistow NH
Obedience	Regular Obedience – Utility, Open, ODX - levels A,B, Novice- Levels A,B, Veterans can jump 4" lower – Limited to 30 Entries per trial Optional Titling Class: Beginner Novice levels A,B, Graduate Novice AM Trial - Entries taken 7:30 - 8:00, Trial starts at 8:30 PM Trial - Entries taken 10:30 -11:00 trial starts at 12:00 or 1/2 hour after the AM trial ends, if it runs later than 11:30 Sits and Downs will be held After individual exercises. <i>This is an ASCA sanctioned show, no food or corrections allowed.</i>		
Rally	Rally Classes - Classes: Novice A, B & C, Advanced A, B & C, Excellent A, B & C, Masters A, B & C, – Limited to 40 Entries per trial AM Trial - Entries taken 7:30-8:00, Trial starts at 8:30 PM Trial - Entries taken 10:30-11:00 trial starts at 12:00 or 1/2 hour after the AM trial ends, if it runs later than 11:30		
Fees	Pre-entries close on 11/1/2016 – no refunds after the closing date. Pre-entry: \$20.00 Pre-entry special: 2 entries – same dog/same day \$35.00 Day of show entries: \$23		
Entry Information	Make checks out to ASCNE and mail entries to: ASCNE SHOW, c/o Jo-Ellen Vought, 391 Center Street, Raynham, MA 02767 jevought2@comcast.net or 508-822-2376		
ASCA Information	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Do not forget to sign the back of the entry form• All dogs must have an individual ASCA registration or LEP number or an ASCA tracking number to compete in ASCA sanctioned Obedience Trials• All Dogs must have proof of registration and rabies certificate available.• For information regarding what Obedience classes you may enter, refer to the Obedience and Rally rules on the ASCA site: . http://www.asca.org/formsandrulebooks• The Novice A Class is for handlers that have not placed a CD title on a dog from any registry and the dog does not have a CD title from any registry. For the Open A class the dog must have earned the CD title from ASCA but not have earned the ASCA ODX or CDX title. For Utility A, the dog must have earned the ASCA CDX and/or ODX title, but have not earned the ASCA UD title• All dogs competing for ASCA Obedience titles are required to start at Novice and work through Utility regardless of Obedience titles awarded by other Registries. ASCA Obedience judges may not enter or handle in the A classes.• No entry shall be accepted from a dog or handler disqualified from the ASCA Conformation program; a dog or handler disqualified from all ASCA programs; or a person not in good standing with ASCA		
Registration & Tracking	All Australian Shepherds over the age of 6 months must be registered. Effective January 1, 2004: All dogs six (6) months and older must have an individual ASCA registration or LEP number or and ASCA tracking number to compete in ASCA sanctioned Obedience Trials. A dog will be allowed to be shown at the trial where the handler applies for an ASCA tracking number. The handler will be issued a receipt by the Registration table valid for sixty (60) days to allow the Business Office time to issue the tracking number. Photo copies or originals of registration or tracking number papers must be presented to the Registration Table upon request when entering ASCA sanctioned Obedience Trials. Please visit www.asca.org for information and http://www.asca.org/Portals/812b34ca-1ab9-41bb-9dc9-d7b90411dbdc/trackapp.pdf for forms.		



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ALL BREED
5th FALL FLING
AGILITY TRIAL

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November 18 & 19, 2017
SureFire Dogs Training Center
57 Brigham St. Westborough, MA

JUDGE:
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