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# PREMIUM LIST ALL BREED & ALL AMERICAN (Mixed Breed) FAST COURSING ABILITY TESTS



Forest City Dog Training Club (Licensed by American Kennel Club)

Taylor Farm
8317 N. Rockton Ave., Rockford, IL 61103
Field Is FENCED by FCDTC
The lure is a Continuous Loop System (squawker or plastic)

Saturday August 20 & Sunday August 21, 2022

Early Entry is strongly encouraged

ENTRIES OPEN FRIDAY, JUNE 24<sup>TH</sup>, 8AM.

ANY ENTRIES RECEIVED BEFORE THIS DATE WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED

Pre-Entries close (closing date) Friday, August 5, 2022 at 8pm.

Limited to 125 dogs per Test

Entries WILL be accepted for All American Dogs listed in the AKC Canine Partners Program



Permission is granted by the American Kennel Club for the holding of these events under the American Kennel Club rules and regulations. James P. Crowley, Secretary

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## **Entry Fees**

Entry fees \$22.00 per dog per test.

Open to all dogs at least 1 year of age by the day of the test that are individually registered with the American Kennel Club, recorded in the FSS program, dogs with PAL numbers, and dogs enrolled in the AKC Canine Partners program. A dog may enter only once per event. Each event has an individual event number.

## Phone, fax, and email entries will NOT be accepted.

We will be accepting online entries – follow this **link** to enter - Online entry fees must be paid via Paypal at time of submission. There is an additional \$1.50 per event PayPal fee for online entries.

Entries close at the trial Secretary's address **Friday**, **8:00 pm**, **August 5**, **2022**, unless the numerical limit is reached prior to the date after which time entries will not be accepted, canceled, altered or substituted.

## MAKE ALL CHECKS/MONEY ORDERS PAYABLE TO: FCDTC

Canadian exhibitors must make fees payable in U.S. funds. Exhibitors whose checks are returned for NSF will be assessed a \$20.00 service fee. Entries will not be accepted if received without a signature, fees or back of entry form with signed agreement. An official American Kennel Club Entry Form must be used. Telephone and telegraph entries cannot be accepted. No entry will be accepted which is made subject to conditions.

## ENTRIES RECEIVED BEFORE THE OPENING DATE WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

INCOMPLETE ENTRIES WILL NOT BE CONFIRMED OR RECEIVE A RUNBLOCK SIGN UP LINK UNTIL ALL REQUIRED INFORMATION IS RECEIVED BY THE SECRETARY.

Field Secretary
Jenn Walker
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MidwestFastcatTrialSecretary@gmail.com

If, because of riots, civil disturbance or other acts beyond the control of the test-giving Club, it is impossible to open or complete the Test, no refund of entry fees will be made. In the opinion of the inspection committee, any entry found to be lame, unfit to compete or a female in season shall not be allowed to test and applicable entry fees shall be refunded

**PLEASE NOTE**: IF ENTRY IS SENT VIA NEXT DAY AIR SERVICE (UPS), AIRBORNE EXPRESS, FEDERAL EXPRESS, EXPRESS MAIL, ETC. PLEASE INDICATE THAT NO SIGNATURE IS NECESSARY UPON ARRIVAL OR ENTRY MAY NOT BE ACCEPTED.

## **Ribbon Prizes**

- A Light Blue Ribbon will be awarded to each dog receiving a qualifying score.
- Special Ribbon for dogs completing titles.

#### **ROUTES TO SHOW**

**FROM -EAST**-: I-90 to Rt 173 westbound. West to Rockton Avenue. North to 8317 N. Rockton Ave.

**FROM WEST**: Route 20 (West State Street), east to Springfield Ave. East to Rt 2 (North Main). North on Rt 2 to Rt 173 (Latham). West on Rt 173 to Rockton Ave. North on Rockton Ave. to 8317 N. Rockton Ave.

## **ACCOMODATIONS (Call to confirm acceptance of animals)**

The following area hotels accept well-behaved people and their pets. Exhibitors must contact hotels directly and identify themselves as having dogs. Some of these hotels do charge an extra fee for dogs. Be sure to verify the dog policy with the hotel of your choice when you make your reservation. Please be a responsible owner and a considerate hotel guest by maintaining a restful atmosphere and cleaning up after your dog.

Travelodge Rockford – 4850 E. State Street, Rockford, IL 61108 815.398.5050

LaQuinta Inn 7401 Walton St Rockford, IL 61108 815-227-1300

Days Inn and Suites Rockford, 220 S Lyford Rd, Rockford, IL61108 815.332.4915

Super 8 Rockford, 7646 Coliseum Dr., Rockford, IL 61108 815-229-5522

PLEASE KEEP THESE HOTELS & MOTELS IN GOOD CONDITION SO THAT WE MAY USE THEM NEXT YEAR.

**VENUE INFORMATION:** This event is held at a farm with plenty of off-street parking, as well as a large exercise arena to be used for crating. We would also like to thank the following for their support:

Frink's Sewer & Drain – Port-a-Potties Hammertime Sports – ATV's

## SCHEDULE (Quick Check)

- 1. A brief handlers' meeting will be held prior to the start of each run block.
- 2. All dogs will be inspected beginning at 7:30am for AM runs (12:30pm for PM runs) for soundness prior to running on that event date.
- 3. AM and PM run start times are 8:00am and 1:00 pm.

**Field Hours:** 7:30 am to the conclusion of both events scheduled for the day of the tests.

**Handlers Meeting:** will be held before each scheduled run block (8am, 10am, 1pm).

**Lunch:** A 60-minute lunch break will be scheduled at the discretion of the Event Committee.

## **IMPORTANT – PLEASE READ!**

Scheduling of Runs / New Concurrent Procedures / Note to Handlers:

AKC is strongly recommending that all FastCAT events be scheduled to avoid crowds at the event site because of the Covid-19 virus. In response to that recommendation, we are going to schedule dogs to run both runs for each day either in the AM or PM. In this scenario, if you have one dog entered and you are scheduled in the AM to do both runs, your two runs will be scheduled approximately 30 dogs apart, giving your dog about an hour to rest. If you have entered two dogs, we should have enough AM spots to run an entrant's second dog. Entrants that have completed their two runs on their one or two dog entry should have no reason to remain at the event site. If you choose to do so, the rules for "social distancing" will apply in the fenced-in run area and the parking lot. The PM portion will be run the same way as the AM. AM entrants running a third and fourth dog will run along with PM entrant dogs. NOTE: Runs will be scheduled through Sign-Up Genius - you will receive a confirmation email with a link to choose your time block. These e-mails will be sent out in order of receipt of entries. YOU WILL SIGN UP FOR ONE RUN BLOCK PER DOG, THIS WILL COVER BOTH OF YOUR RUNS FOR THAT DAY. Any dog not signed up for a run block after the closing date will be randomly assigned into any open spots. If you are a part of a group that will be running, please coordinate with each other. Once a time block is full, runs cannot be added.

Any dog not present by the time the test ends will be considered absent.

**Note**: The speed of the Top 20 fastest dogs of each breed will be posted on the AKC website. Please check the AKC website to see how your dog compares with other dogs in your breed.

## Officers of Forest City Dog Training Club

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Lure Operators: Bill Walker "Lure Dude"

**Event Photographer:** KDR Photography

## **Event Committee Members:**

Rick Lilly, Jenn Walker, Chris Taylor, Bill Walker, Chris Bowers, Donna Mueller, Ruby Skrede, Sydney Baldwin, Connie Fuller

VETERINARIAN (Will be on Call Each Day)

Animal Emergency Clinic of Rockford 7145 Spring Creek Road, Rockford, IL 61107 Hours: Friday 6pm – Monday 8am

## Attention Exhibitors

These trials may be canceled in the event of extreme weather conditions. No refunds will be given if the trial cannot be held or completed due to riots, civil disturbances, an act of God, extreme or dangerous weather conditions, public emergency, or any other reason beyond the control of the Club.

Acknowledgment of entries will be made as soon as practical as entries are received. Final confirmations will be sent after the closing date with the Judging Program and directions to the trial site. Should such acknowledgment not be received by the exhibitor within a reasonable time, please contact the Field Secretary.

**REFUNDS AND FEES: Entry fees shall not be refunded** in the event that a dog is absent, disqualified, excused by a Veterinarian or Judge, or barred from competition by action of the Test Committee. If because of riots, civil disturbances or other acts beyond the control of the test-giving club it is impossible to open or to complete the trial, no refund of entry fees will be made. Post dated and returned checks do not constitute a valid entry fee. The test-giving Club will add a collection fee to the amount of each returned check (\$20). Subsequent returned checks from the same exhibitor may result in their being put on a cash only basis.

Refunds for bitches in season (and lame or unfit dogs) <u>will be refunded</u> less \$3.50 per run, if requests are submitted to the Field Secretary at least 30 minutes prior to the start of judging for the day and are accompanied by a veterinarian certification.

**FCDTC CLUB RULES:** All dogs MUST be on a short leash and under control while on the test grounds except during their runs. Exercise your dogs only in posted areas and clean up after them! Exhibitors must exercise control over their children at all times while on the trial grounds. No gasoline or diesel generators are permitted inside of any building or within 100 feet of any tent or the test run.

**FCDTC** assumes no responsibility for any loss, damage or injury sustained by exhibitors, their dogs or property, children or guests.

Neither the test committees nor the test-giving club will be responsible for the loss or damage to any dog on the trial grounds, whether as a result of an accident or any other cause. It is clearly understood that every dog entered in the trial is in the care, custody and control of its owner or handler during the entire time the dog is on the test premises.

Exhibitors, Owners & Agents assume all responsibility for dogs & equipment on the show site.

**Mixed breed dogs** that have been listed with AKC Canine Partners may participate provided their listing number has been recorded on the entry form. Breed should be marked as "All American Dog."

ERRORS ON ENTRIES: Owners are responsible for the accuracy of the information required on the entry form. Changes, additions, or corrections to an entry, entry substitutions, or cancellations by the owner must be received in writing (email accepted) by the Field Secretary prior to the closing date of the trial. Other means of notification will not be accepted.

**CONDUCT:** It is expressly understood that all owners/agents/exhibitors are solely responsible for the behavior of their dogs and/or children. Any person(s) whose dog and/or children create unnecessary disturbances or repeatedly engage in unsafe or disruptive behavior may, at the discretion of the Trial Committee, be asked to leave the trial site. In such cases no refund of any fees/monies paid will be made.

All owners/agents/exhibitors and other persons attending these trials hereby waive any claim against the club or its agents, for any losses, damages, or injuries affecting self, dogs, children, or personal property.

**TEST SITE:** All dogs must be held on a leash or confined to a crate except when on the course for running. Dogs must be on a leash when being exercised, trained or when warming up. Dogs must be removed from the test grounds immediately following the end of the Test.

FCDTC reserves the right to remove any dog in distress in a parked vehicle or crate.

Please keep the grounds clean by picking up after yourself and your dog. Dispose of 'poop' bags in the trash containers provided there. Please keep your crating area, the test site, grounds, and motel rooms and grounds clean so we may continue to be welcomed at these facilities.

**WARM-UPS** and training should be conducted in a sportsman-like manner to your dog, other dogs and competitors.

**VACCINATIONS:** Exhibitors should follow their veterinarians' recommendation to assure their dogs are free of internal and external parasites, any communicable diseases, and have appropriate vaccinations.

**CRATING:** Crating will be allowed in the large barn area, with social distancing rules in place.

**PHOTO BOOTH:** There will be a photo booth area set-up for you to take photos of your dogs and their ribbons/new titles.

## **Basic Information about AKC Fast Cat**

- 1) Fast CAT Test is a timed straight 100 yard dash for dogs. It is meant to be a fun and healthy activity of interest to any dog owner.
- 2) Dogs run singularly.

## **How are Fast CAT Points and Titles Awarded?**

- The dog's time to complete the 100 yard dash is converted into MPS.
- 2) A handicap system is applied to a dog's MPS to determine the number of points earned. The handicap system is based on the height of the dog at its withers.
  - a) 18 inches or greater = handicap of 1.0
  - b) 12 inches to less than 18 inches = handicap of 1.5
  - c) Below 12 inches = handicap of 2.0
- 3) Points = MPS multiplied by the dog's handicap
- Fast CAT titles are suffix titles earned at designated milestones.

BCAT = 150 points

DCAT = 500 points

FCAT = 1,000 points

FCAT = every additional 500 points

5) The top 20 fastest dogs by breeds are published on the AKC website.

## Course and Equipment

- Safety: Safety is of utmost importance. It is the responsibility of the event committee to ensure the safety of the course, equipment and conduct of those involved with the event. It is recommended that the event committee run a test dog prior to the start of the event to ensure that the equipment functions properly and all personnel understand their jobs. Prior to moving the lure to position it for the start, the lure operator shall announce "hold your dogs" in order to caution owners.
- 2) The Finish: The club must provide enough room for a safe run-out area. FCDTC will attempt to use a minimum of 50 yards. It is recommended an owner or someone familiar with the dog be at the finish in order to catch the dog once the course is completed. FCDTC will attempt to provide assistance at the end of the course to collect the dogs if the owner requests it.
- 3) **Timing Devices**: FCDTC will use electronic timers. The time to complete the 100 yard dash is recorded to the nearest 1/100<sup>th</sup> of a second. The time starts when any part of the dog breaks the electronic beam at the start line. The time stops when any part of the dog crosses the finish line. Stop watches will be used as a backup if the electronic timers don't function. In the event of manual timing, a starter's flag will signal the start when the dog's nose crosses the starting line and the time will be recorded by two timekeepers, each operating individually, at the finish line. The time will be the mathematical average of the two manually recorded times.
- 4) Lure Equipment: FCDTC uses a continuous loop system. The lure will consist of white plastic bags or squawker. The lure will be propelled by an electric motor attached to a continuous loop setup. Safety is the number one consideration in running this event.
- 5) **Field Conditions.** The field is reasonably flat, level and mowed. The actual running area is approximately 150 yards long x 6 yards wide, with a cloth/plastic type barrier. The release line is ten feet behind the starting line. The course is 100 yards long with finish line timers (electronic or manual)

- and a 50-yard run-out area. Handlers may not walk the course with their dogs during the actual test, but they may walk the course to the catch area **BEFORE** their dog is released.
- 6) The huntmaster has control of the course. The huntmaster is in charge of all dogs and handlers on the field, shall ensure handlers understand safe release and retrieval procedures, shall ensure the lure is properly positioned, shall ensure the lure operator, timers and starting line signal person are ready, shall signal the lure operator to start the lure and shall give the verbal signal "tallyho" to release the dog.
- 7) **For handlers with multiple entrants:** Please indicate that your dogs should be separated in the running order.
- 8) Check in and Inspection: Dogs must be checked in and inspected prior to each run. Inspection will check for general fitness and for females in season, which are not permitted to run. In addition, the dog's handicap must be verified at the time of inspection. You will receive a card at inspection that will be turned in to the Paddock Master.
- At the line: The Paddock Master will coordinate the running of the dogs according to his/her best discretion. Each exhibitor will receive a running order via e-mail prior to the event. The schedule will also be posted in the inspection/paddock area. Dogs will be called "to the line" and "in the hole" positions. Dogs that are not present "in the hole" will be moved down and the next available dog will be inserted into the running order to keep things moving. The missing dog will be inserted into the running order as convenient when they arrive. So, if you miss your run time, you will not be required to wait until all the dogs have run. You can run, within reason, when you arrive.
- 10) **Operation of the Lure:** The Lure Operator's job is to 1) ensure a safe run by operating the lure correctly, and 2) to get the best score for your dog. If your dog is new to the sport, tell the Huntmaster! That may mean operating the lure differently, to get his/her attention, as opposed to an experienced dog that needs little to no encouragement. If your dog is particularly fast for it's breed, simply advise the Huntmaster about your "Fast Dog." They will tell the lure operator, who will adjust the running of the lure to accommodate this. The lure operator has experience and knowledge related to running various breeds, but every dog is different. We want you to have a good run.
- 11) **Schedule and Trial Hours:** 8am until all runs are completed or 3pm, whichever comes last. Note in the event of inclement or other conditions or to assist with timely completion of the trial, Trial Committee may elect to start the events earlier than posted. In any event, all entrants present during the posted times will be allowed to run, if conditions are safe.

## General:

- 1. All entries must be one year of age or older on the day of the test or trial.
- 2. Dogs not present by the end of the test will be scratched.
- 3. Each entry will be examined at **inspection**. Inspection shall take place prior to any form of wrapping being applied to the dog. In the opinion of the inspection committee, any entry found to be lame, unfit to compete or a female in season shall not be allowed to enter and entry fees shall be refunded.
- 4. Dogs will be inspected before each Event.
- 5. Run order will be based on order set by the field committee. We will separate the running of multiple dogs handled by a single handler. If a dog is late for their run time they will run at the end of the running order.
- 6. Dogs may wear any collar except a choker collar, a harness, a collar with prongs or an electronic training collar. The collar should be snug to minimize the chances of getting hung up on something during the run. Owners should be aware that there is a chance that tags hanging from the collar could become entangled on something during the run. Owners may use clips or rubber bands to hold the dog's hair. The owner assumes responsibility for the safety of the dog with regard to the dog's collar and paraphernalia on the dog.
- 7. Continuous loop system will be used. Lure is a white plastic bag or a squawker.
- 8. The field committee reserves the right to bar known aggressive dogs from the event site.
- There will be a \$5 fine assessed for any loose dog not taking part in the course in progress, or for anybody caught not picking up after their dog, or leaving garbage on the field.
- 10. No one will be allowed on the field without the express permission of the field chairman, except the appointed field committee.
- 11. Anybody exhibiting unsportsmanlike behavior will be excused from the field and may be subject to further disciplinary action.
- 12. Control of dogs strictly enforced, on leash at all times except when running.
- 13. Clean up and carry out all trash.
- 14. Please pick up after your dog and put in receptacles provided at site.

Club: Forest City Dog Training Club	Location: Taylor Farm, Rockford, IL			
Date & Event (check boxes for all that apply)  Event type: FastCAT TEST				
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Breed: Total Fees Enclosed  Per run fee/Dog entry \$22				
Height at withers: under 12" 12-18" over 18" Sex: Date of Birth:				
New Title Anticipated (Check Box): BCAT DCAT FCAT FCAT-#				
Call Name: AKC No. or CP or PAL/ILP No. or Foreign & List Country:				
Full Name of Dog:				
Actual Owner(s):				
Owner's Address:				
City:			State:	Zip:
Name of Owner's Agent/Handler (if any) at Trial:				
AKC Rules, Regulations, Policies and Guidelines are available on the American Kennel Club website: <a href="www.akc.org">www.akc.org</a>				
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 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 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 clut shall deem sufficient. 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 harm-less 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 therefore, sustained by any person or persons, including myself (ourselves), or on account of damage to property, arising out of				
Signature of owner or agent duly authorized to make this entry:				
Tel:	Email:			

By signing above, I acknowledge that FCDTC is not a liable party.