

ENTRY METHOD: FIRST RECEIVED

ENTRIES WILL OPEN ON **October 7, 2020 8:00 AM PDT** at the Trial Secretary's address. Overnight or certified mail must be sent with the "No Signature Required" waiver signed.

ENTRIES CLOSE ON **October 30, 2020 6:00 PM PDT** after which time entries cannot be accepted, cancelled, altered, or substituted except as provided for in Chapter 11, Section 6 of the Rules Applying to Dog Shows. Envelopes/transactions containing entries for more than the ten (10) dog maximum and/or entries received prior to the opening date shall be treated as an invalid entry and shall be returned to the sender.

PREMIUM LIST

Three AKC Licensed ALL Breed Agility Trials

Welcome and thank you for entering our trial.

This Event is Accepting Entries for Mixed Breed Dogs

Listed in the AKC Canine Partners Program SM

Greater Spokane Shetland Sheepdog Club

(Licensed by the American Kennel Club)



June 5, 2020 Friday Event # 2020272310

June 6, 2020 Saturday Event # 2020272311

June 7, 2020 Sunday Event # 2020272312

Spokane County Fair and Expo Center

404 N Havana, Spokane, WA 99202

Indoors on dirt, one ring 95' by 100'

ENTRY LIMITS

350 runs per day, Entry method – First received

Trial Hours: Friday, Saturday & Sunday – 7:00 am to 6:00pm

Friday- All levels JWW, Standard and FAST

Saturday- T2B, All levels JWW and Standard, Premier STD

Sunday- All Levels STD & JWW, Premier JWW

Judge: Torka Poet Judge # 104659

From Washington

CERTIFICATION

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

Gina DiNardo, Executive Secretary



OFFICERS OF THE GREATER SPOKANE SHETLAND SHEEPDOG CLUB

President..... Craig Jensen
Vice President..... Laura Johnson
Secretary.....5717 N Malvern Rd., Otis Orchards, WA 99028.. Mary Jane McCall
Treasurer..... Kathy Walshon

www.gsssc.net

BOARD MEMBERS

Julie Dickson, Joann Hamacher, Laurie Clark

TRIAL CHAIRPERSON & EMERGENCY COORDINATOR	TRIAL SECRETARY
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EVENT COMMITTEE

Laurie Clark (Chair), Julie Dickson, Nancy Haynes, Laura Johnson, Jim Clark and Joann Hamacher

VETERINARIAN ON CALL OR EMERGENCY

Exhibitors should follow their veterinarian's recommendations to assure their dogs are free of internal and external parasites, any communicable diseases, and have appropriate vaccinations.

Pet Emergency Clinic and Referral Center

21 E Mission Ave
Spokane, WA
509-326-6670

Hours: Mon – Friday 5 pm to 8 am
Weekends 5 pm Friday to 8 AM Monday

EMERGENCY SERVICES

Fire/Ambulance/Police
911

CLASSES OFFERED & JUDGING TIMES & TENTATIVE CLASS ORDER

FRIDAY		SATURDAY	SUNDAY
STD	All levels	All levels	All levels
JWW	All levels	All levels	All levels
Premier EX/MAS + P		Premier-Standard	Premier JWW
Games	Fast-All Levels	Time 2 Beat	
	TALL TO SMALL	SMALL TO TALL	TALL TO SMALL
All days - Judging begins at 8:00 am Check in @ 7:00 am			

FRIDAY		SATURDAY	SUNDAY
Games	Fast-All Levels	Time 2 Beat	
STD	Exc/Master & Exc/Master P	Premier-Standard	Exc/Master & Exc/Master P
STD	Open	Exc/Master & Exc/Master P	Open
STD	Novice	Open	Novice
STD		Novice	
JWW	Exc/Master & Exc/Master P	Exc/Master & Exc/Master P	Premier JWW
JWW	Open	Open	Exc/Master & Exc/Master P
JWW	Novice	Novice	Open
JWW			Novice

Please consult the AKC Regulations for Agility Trials for a complete description and eligibility for entry into these classes. The exhibitor is fully responsible for entering the dog in the correct class(es)/height divisions. Dogs running in a lower height division than they are eligible for will be eliminated.

DOG ELIGIBLE TO ENTER

This trial is open to all dogs fifteen (15) months of age or older that are registered with the American Kennel Club or that have AKC Limited Registration, Purebred Alternative Listing/Indefinite Listing Privileges (PAL/ILP), an AKC Canine Partners listing number, or approved Foundation Stock Service (FSS) breeds are eligible to participate.

Dogs with a Purebred Alternative Listing/Indefinite Listing Privileges (PAL/ILP) or an AKC Canine Partners listing number must be spayed or neutered in order to compete. Wherever the word "dog" is used in these regulations it includes both sexes.

Dogs should be physically sound. Dogs that are blind shall not be eligible, and neither are bitches in season, aggressive dogs, or dogs suffering from any deformity, injury, or illness which may affect the dog's physical or mental performance. No dog shall compete if it is taped or bandaged in any way or has anything attached to it for medical purposes

HEIGHT DIVISIONS

	PREFERRED	HEIGHT AT WITHERS
REGULAR		
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"	For dogs 11 inches and under at the withers
12"	8"	For dogs 14 inches and under at the withers
16"	12"	For dogs 18 inches and under at the withers
20"	16"	For dogs 22 inches and under at the withers
24"	20"	For dogs over 22 inches at the withers
24C"	n/a	Dogs who measure 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 enter 24-choice.

MEASURING and HEIGHT CARD INFORMATION

All dogs competing in agility must possess an official AKC Jump Height Card. Dogs without a valid Jump Height Card/Form may still compete; but they must be measured/wicketed by the **Judge of Record** PRIOR to running in their class and this measurement will be valid for that weekend of trials only. The exception to this requirement is a dog entered in the 24" or 26" height division. However, if a **Volunteer Measuring Official (VMO)** or an **Agility Field Rep** is present; **ALL** dogs without a valid Jump Height Card/Form must be measured at some time during the trial or cluster of trials. This does not preclude having the dog wicketed by the Judge of Record if the VMO or Rep is not available to measure the dog *before* its first run of the trial or cluster of trials. It is the exhibitor's responsibility to have their dog measured prior to running and failure to do so will result in the cancellation of any qualifying scores.

When filling out the entry form, there is a section at the top of the form for exhibitors to designate whether your dog needs to be officially measured. Please check the box so that the Trial Secretary knows whether to include your dog on the *Dogs To Be Measured List*.

Our Judge is not a VMO. There will be no measuring at this trial.

ENTRY FEES PER DAY

First entry of each dog (includes a \$3.50 AKC recording fee).....	\$23
Additional entry of same dog (includes a \$3.00 AKC recording fee).....	\$13
Junior Handler entry fee (includes a \$3.50 AKC recording fee)	\$10

E-mail confirmations will be sent to those listing a legible e-mail address on the entry form.

Mail entry forms and fees to: Heather Thompson, PO Box 19366, Spokane, WA 99219. Please make checks payable to GSSSC. No entries will be accepted by phone, fax. Express mail entries must include the signature waiver allowing them to be left at the secretary's address. Inquiries may be directed to [Heather Thompson at heathergail@hughes.net](mailto:heathergail@hughes.net). No entry shall be made and no entry shall be accepted which specifies any conditions as to its acceptance. **Illegible entries** will not be processed and will be returned to the exhibitor.

Returned checks do not constitute a valid entry. Returned checks will be charged a \$25 collection fee added to the amount of each returned check.

ONLINE ENTRIES: This trial does accept online entries through AKC Online Entry (www.akc.org). During the first 48 hours after opening, the initial limit of entries will be designated as follows: Online entries 120; Paper entries 230. If either form of entry has not filled at the end of the 48 hour time period, the club reserves the right to decrease or increase either the online or paper limits accordingly. No hand deliveries will be accepted in the first twenty-four hours following the opening date and time.

CATALOGS

Advance catalog sales may be ordered and prepaid on your entry form for \$10. A limited number of catalogs will be available for sale at the trial site for a cost of \$15.

MOVE-UPS

Move-ups as a result of titles earned after entries close must be submitted in writing or email so that Heather (Trial Secretary) receives them by **6:00 PM PDT on Monday, November 6, 2020**. Include dog's call name, owner's name, class you are moving from, and class you are moving to (replying to your final CONFIRMATION EMAIL is an ideal way to complete a move-up). If you do not receive an acknowledgement of your move-up request within 24 hours of sending, please contact Heather to make sure that it was received. No phone move ups accepted. Day-to-day move-ups will be accepted at the trial.

The Regulations now allow exhibitors who have entered a class for which the dog or handler is not eligible to change their entry to the class for which they are eligible, but the request for such a change must be in writing and must be submitted to the Trial Secretary at least 30 minutes prior to the start of the Trial.

Move-ups for Saturday and Sunday must be submitted in writing no later than 30 minutes after the conclusion of the last class on Friday and/or Saturday. For allowed changes from Novice A to Novice B, refer to Chapter 1, Section 21 of the Regulations for Agility Trials.

NOTICE TO EXHIBITORS

REFUNDS

100% of entry fees will be refunded for any reason if written (or email) request is received by the trial secretary on or before closing.

No entry fee will be refunded if the trial cannot open or be completed by reason of riots, civil disturbances, fire, an act of God, public emergency, act of a public enemy, or any other cause beyond the control of the organizing committee. No entry fee will be refunded in the event a dog is absent, disqualified, excused, or barred from competition by the action of the Trial Committee.

Bitches in season are not permitted to compete in Agility Trials. As such, the club will refund all entry fees for bitches unable to compete for this reason. Notification must be received by the Secretary prior to the start of judging on the first day of the trial or cluster of trials.

Sick or injured dogs, sick or injured handlers will receive a refund of entry fees less \$5.00 per run/day if written (e-mail) notification is received by the Trial Secretary 30 minutes prior to the start of the trial.

Returned checks do not constitute a valid entry. Returned checks will be charged a \$25 collection fee added to the amount of each returned check.

Change of judge: If the judging assignment changes after the distribution of the premium list, an exhibitor has the right to request a full refund of their entry fees for any class affected. Exhibitors must submit requests in writing to the Trial Secretary a minimum of 30 minutes preceding the start of the event on the first day the exhibitor is entered.

Refreshments

We will not be providing refreshments or lunch at these trials. Please bring your own lunch, snacks and water.

Vendor Information

Unfortunately, due to COVID-19 restrictions, we are not able to have vendors at these trials.

SAFETY, BEHAVIOR and LIABILITY

The safety of the dog is our primary concern. By entering this trial, exhibitors acknowledge that they are familiar with the rules and regulations of this sport, and that their dogs are familiar with and able to perform all obstacles safely.

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 trial committee, be asked to leave the show site. In such case, no refund of any fees paid will be made. The Greater Spokane Shetland Sheepdog Club, the Trial Secretary and Spokane County Fair and Expo 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 GSSSC 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 GSSSC or any official thereof.

RINGSIDE

Dogs may arrive any time prior to judging if the dog has a valid temporary or permanent jump height card. Otherwise, they must be available for measuring prior to the start of their class if a VMO or AKC Field Rep is available to measure dogs. All dogs not needed for further judging will be excused.

Judges are not required to wait for dogs. The Owner of each dog is solely responsible for having it ready at ringside when it is to be judged. The Club has no responsibility for providing service through a public address system or stewards or runners for the purpose of calling or locating dogs that are not brought into the ring when required.

DO NOT LEAVE ANIMALS UNATTENDED IN VEHICLES. The club will not be responsible for damage to vehicles resulting from the rescue of animals in distress.

This club does not agree to arbitrate claims as set forth on the Official AKC Entry Form for this event.

VOLUNTEERS

THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU. White boards will be set-up outside of the ring if you have some spare time. Volunteers will receive a \$2.00 voucher for each class worked. These vouchers may be used for future entry fees for Trials held by GSSSC.

RIBBONS, AWARDS, AND PRIZES

Ribbons will be awarded in each jump height division in each class as follows:

First Place.....	Blue
Second Place.....	Red
Third Place.....	Yellow
Fourth Place.....	White
Qualifying Score.....	Dark Green

A New Title rosette will be awarded to all dog and handler teams finishing a title. A MACH/PACH rosette and decorated MACH/PACH bar will be awarded to all dog and handler teams that attain their MACH/PACH. PAX Title Rosettes will be awarded to all dog and handler teams finishing their PAX title. If you are close to earning an award, please let the [Trial Chair or Trial Secretary](#) know so that the club is prepared to celebrate with you.

All exhibitors should obtain a copy of the Regulations for Agility Trials by downloading them from the American Kennel Club website at <http://www.akc.org/rules/>.

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. 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.

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.

COURSE WALK-THROUGHS AND WARM-UP INFORMATION

Course maps will be posted, and exhibitor copies will be emailed the night before. Judge's briefing and course walk-throughs will occur prior to each class. Handlers in all classes are permitted to walk the course, without a dog, during a walk-through period held prior to the start of the class. The walk-through is restricted to handlers entered in that class only. Injured handlers may walk with their substitute handler. Handlers with multiple dogs, at events with multiple rings may request to walk with a height group other than the one their dog is entered in if a conflict is imminent.

A warm-up area, consisting of a regulation agility jump, may be provided for exhibitors. The warm-up area is to be used exclusively for warming up the dog and not for training or relieving of the dog.

COVID-19 CONCERNS

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY THE INFORMATION BELOW, AND THE WAIVER STATEMENT ON THE ADJACENT PAGE.

In order to comply with guidelines for reducing the spread of COVID-19, a number of normal trial procedures will be modified. **If Spokane County is still in Phase 2 at the time of these trials, we are required to comply with the Phase 2 Agricultural Events COVID-19 Requirements issued by the WA Governor's Office on August 10.** "Companion animal shows" are included among the events to which these regulations apply. Among the applicable regulations are the following:

Participants are required to use cloth face coverings at a minimum. All staff and any participants are required to stay home if they are sick. Access is limited to only necessary participants – NO spectators, vendors, guests or visitors. Participants that are minors may be accompanied by one adult.

Events must allow for social distancing and avoid high densities of people. For our events, this means separate entrance and exit locations, smaller walk-through groups, measures to maintain distance between handlers while waiting to go into the ring, and restrictions on the number and locations of people in proximity to the ring.

Procedures for worker signups, gate check-in, judge's briefings, course maps, results posting, ribbons, and stickers will also be modified to encourage separation of people, and to reduce as much as possible the handling of materials by multiple people.

Events held indoors are limited to 50% capacity or up to 50 participants at any one time (not including staff), whichever is less. It may be necessary to restrict access to the building in order to comply with this requirement.

A link to the complete text of the regulations is available here:
<https://www.governor.wa.gov/news-media/inslee-issues-guidanceagricultural-events-updated-guidance-indoor-fitness-and-religious>

We are aware that the regulations may change prior to the trials, and **we will provide exhibitors with as much information as we can before the closing date, so that they can make the choice to remain entered, or withdraw with a full refund of entry fees prior to closing.** It is a challenge to make these trials "exhibitor friendly" while coping with restrictions; please be aware that we want to keep everyone as safe as possible while still having the opportunity to have fun with our dogs!

An inherent risk of exposure to COVID-19 exists in any public place where people are present. COVID-19 is an extremely contagious disease that can lead to severe illness and death. By attending these events, you voluntarily assume all risks related to exposure to COVID-19.

COVID-19 WAIVER

By signing the entry form for this event, exhibitor agrees to the following:

I attest to the best of my knowledge that I do not have COVID-19 at the time of attending this event. I also attest that I have not knowingly been in contact with or exposed to any known carrier of COVID-19 within the past 14 days.

I agree that I am attending this Event entirely at my own risk and take full responsibility for my own health and safety during this Event. I will follow all AKC, Greater Spokane Shetland Sheepdog Club, City, County, State rules and requirements to reduce any exposure and possibility of contracting or spreading the virus during the Event.

I fully submit that the Greater Spokane Shetland Sheepdog Club, the American Kennel Club, Spokane County Fair and Expo Center and any other persons affiliated with the Event are in no way liable for any present or future COVID-19 exposure incurred at any time by any person, whether in attendance or not, during or after this event.

Any person present at the trials that is not an exhibitor, whether working or not, will be required to sign a COVID waiver form prior to (preferred) or when arriving at the event.

HOTEL INFORMATION

Although we try to verify motel information, policies and ownerships can change; please check a facility's pet policy when making reservations, and clarify any deposits/charges ahead of time.

Rodeway Inn	6309 E Broadway, Spokane WA 99212	509/535-7185
Mirabeau Park Hotel	1100 N Sullivan, Spokane Valley, WA 99037	509/924-9000
Motel 6	1919 N Hutchison, Spokane Valley, WA 99212	509/926-5399
Park Lane Motel	4412 E Sprague Ave, Spokane, WA 99212	509/535-1626
Quality Inn	8923 E Mission, Spokane Valley, WA 99212	509/928-5218
Holiday Inn Express	9220 E Mission, Spokane Valley, WA 99212	855/799-6861
Super 8	2020 Argonne Rd, Spokane Valley, WA 99212	509/928-4888

DIRECTIONS TO THE TRIAL SITE

DRIVING DIRECTIONS TO SPOKANE COUNTY FAIR AND EXPO CENTER, 404 N Havana, Spokane, WA 99202:

Coming from the west (Seattle/Spokane), take I-90 to the Freya exit (#283B) which merges with 3rd Avenue. Continue on 3rd to Havana St. Turn LEFT on Havana, and go 0.7 mile, crossing Sprague Avenue (traffic light) and continuing past the main Fairgrounds entrance to Broadway. Turn RIGHT on Broadway, go 0.5 mile and turn RIGHT into the Fairgrounds at Gate R.

Coming from the east (Idaho/Montana), take I-90 to the Broadway exit (#286) and turn RIGHT off the exit ramp onto Broadway. Continue for 1.0 mile on Broadway, crossing Fancher (traffic light), and then turn LEFT into the Fairgrounds at Gate R.

ADDITIONAL SITE INFORMATION

SITE: Spokane County Fair and Expo Center, 404 N. Havana St., Spokane, WA 99202

These Agility Trials will be held indoors on dirt. The ring is 100' x 100'. The ring will be fenced with a combination of wood panels and portable fencing, with chutes for entry to ring. Restroom facilities are on site. Crating will be indoors on dirt and concrete.

Of course, we know everyone will uphold the great reputation of agility exhibitors by cleaning up after your dogs at the fairgrounds and your motel!

VENDORS

No vendors will be present for this trial.

FOOD AT THE TRIAL: No food will be supplied for this trial.

Obstacles will meet the specifications for obstacles in the current edition of the Regulations for Agility Trials. All classes will take place indoors on a packed dirt surface.

Overnight RV Parking

Reserved overnight parking is available at the Fairgrounds under the following conditions:

1. RV parking is on a first come, first served basis. You may pick your own spots.
2. There are a few frost-free faucets for water.
3. Fees for camping electric only, \$25 per night; Dry camping (no hookups), \$15 per night.
4. All generators must be shut off and dogs kept quiet after 10:00 pm. Exhaust vents are required.
5. All overnight parking units must be self-contained. No dumping of gray water or sewage. All units must have a fire extinguisher on board.
6. All parking spaces must be left clean with all trash properly disposed of in the dumpsters.
7. No overnight parking in Day Parking areas.
8. Parking increase is due to providing night security resulting from County Covid staffing changes.

The Greater Spokane Shetland Sheepdog Club and the Spokane Fair and Expo assume no responsibility or liability for parking at the site.

AGILITY OVERNIGHT PARKING RESERVATION FORM

() electric only \$25/night () no hookups \$15/night

Arriving () Thursday () Friday () Saturday Make checks payable to GSSSC

TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT: _____

You may send this form and a separate check for camping with your entries; please provide the filled-out form at the time that you pay.

NAME.....

PHONE NUMBER with AREA CODE.....

EMAIL ADDRESS

MAILING ADDRESS

CITY/STATE/ZIP

TYPE OF VEHICLE.....TOTAL LENGTH.....

LICENSE PLATE NUMBER & STATE.....

I (WE) AGREE TO FOLLOW PARKING RULES & REGULATIONS.

Signature.....

Other options for camping include:
Trailer Inn's RV Park, 6021 E. 4th, Spokane Valley, WA 99212 (509) 535-1811

KOA, 3025 N. Barker Rd., Spokane Valley, WA 99027 (509) 924-4722