



Trial Affiliate: *Love My Angelpups*

VARIABLE Trial – Not Nested

Saturday 7/13/24

TRIAL Location: Eastside Baptist Church – Gym

1318 Calhoun St. , Plant City, FL 33563

CLASSES OFFERED: Container, Vehicle & Interior – 2 rounds,

Copy Cat & Double Dog Dare – 1 Round

ALL classes will be in AC

LEVELS: Novice, Intermediate, Advanced

ONLINE Entry ONLY- Entries accepted in order received, Limited to 125 runs

ENTRY COST: \$25/class No Day of Show Entries

Closing Date: July 3, 2024 3:00 PM EDT

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**TRIAL CHAIR:** Lisa Ussery [otchbellaboo@yahoo.com](mailto:otchbellaboo@yahoo.com)

**TRIAL SECRETARY/SCOREROOM:** Kim Floyd - [johmanda@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:johmanda@tampabay.rr.com)

**CHIEF SEARCH DESIGNER & JUDGE:**

**Carol Happel**

For information about the organization, please email United States Canine Scent Sports at

[info@USCanineScentSports.com](mailto:info@USCanineScentSports.com)

Multiple dogs with same handler allowed in the same class/level, titling dog must be run first; 2<sup>nd</sup> dog runs For Exhibition Only (FEO). For Legs Only (FLO) entries/NO RIBBONS/NO PLACEMENT are also accepted.

## Important – please read!

It is the Competitor's responsibility to be familiar with the Rules and Regulations for USCSS™. [USCSS Rule Book 3.1](#)

This is a **VARIABLE Trial**. Any and all Q's earned will count towards the general USCSS Variable title requirements. If you have any questions, after checking the rule book contact the Trial Secretary for additional clarification.

**SAFETY:** All dogs must be on a 6' or shorter leash when not participating in a search. EVERY dog MUST maintain a minimum of 6' distance from all other dogs at ALL TIMES.

**AWARDS:** Ribbons will not be mailed. A qualifying ribbon will be given at the end of your run. 1st - 4th place per class will be awarded. All legs earned at a higher level, without previously earned titles at the lower levels, are banked. Keep in mind that the progression through the levels in variable vs classic is separate. HIT RESCUE AND HIT CHAMPION will be offered.

**CLEAN UP AFTER YOUR DOG!:** Dispose of waste in appropriate containers. Do NOT let your dog pee on items we have to touch!

**DESTRUCTION/DAMAGE to Search Area:** Section 17.6B - Handlers will be expected to make financial reparations to the event host or owner of the item that will cover the cost of replacement or repair to the damaged item. ie. vehicles, furniture.

**COLLARS & LEASHES:** **Flexi/retractable leads are ONLY permitted during a search.** Choke chains, prong collars or halti/head collars are NOT permitted during searches. Leashes of any length may be used while the dog is participating in a search. Dogs MUST be switched over to a 6' length or shorter leash when outside of the search area.

**CRATING:** Inside air-conditioned crating is available. **Crating must be in an enclosed crate!** X-pens are NOT PERMITTED for safety reasons. If crating from a vehicle, be prepared to provide shade and water throughout the trial. There are some shade trees at the site. It's Florida, it's HOT

**ELIGIBLE DOGS:** The following dogs are eligible to compete in USCSS™ events:

- Dogs 6-months of age or older
- Dogs of any breed, purebred or mixed breed
- Blind, deaf or dogs with amputations or who use ambulatory carts
- Bitches in season, but they must wear panties and be kept separate from all other dogs and will be run at the end of their class/trial. If bringing a bitch in season, **please inform the trial secretary prior to the trial** and inform all exhibitors at the judge's briefing

**FOOD:** Bring your lunch as the closest store is 5+ miles away. We plan to move quickly through the Elements. If you'd like to share a bowl/plate of munchies, that would be awesome!

**PAYMENTS & WAIVERS:** Checks made out to **LISA USSERY** and mailed with the Waiver to **Kim Floyd, 7004 DeMay Street, Riverview, FL 33578**. Paid entry fees guarantee acceptance.

**REACTIVE DOGS: Love My Angel Pups** accepts the entries of reactive dogs in USCSS™ trials. These dogs may not be crated in the general crating area and may have to be crated in the handler's car. Reactive dogs will be run first or last in the trial and all other dogs must be crated while the reactive dogs are preparing for the search. A 10-minute break will be given after the reactive dogs have run and are again crated to give the other teams time to prepare for their runs. USCSS™ suggests that reactive dogs wear red bandannas.

**REFUNDS & EVENT CANCELLATION: REFUNDS & EVENT CANCELLATION:** Every attempt will be made to hold this event as scheduled. In the event of an "act of God" such as flood, hurricane or fire, or civil disturbances or any other causes beyond the control of the organizing committee, the event may be canceled or postponed. We will make every attempt to contact entrants and inform them of the cancellation or postponement. Refunds will be processed up to 1 hr prior to start of trial.

**SCHEDULE:** Anticipated Check In time "around 8:30 AM with a CSD briefing at 8:50 AM. First Dog Team(s) on the line at 9:00 AM. **The order of classes and tentative run order** will be determined after the closing date and details emailed on May 5, 2024 (Wednesday before the trial). However, nothing is set in stone. Weather and site conditions may impact the order on the day of the trial.

**NO SMOKING/VAPING/ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES:** At this facility or on the grounds. The trial will be held indoors & outdoors. Surfaces used for searches will be wood, metal, concrete, dirt, and grass. A few stairs may be involved.

**VETERINARIAN:** FETCH Specialty & Emergency Veterinary Centers, 717 Robertson Street, Brandon, FL 33511

**VOLUNTEERS:** Every Trial relies on great volunteers to run smoothly and efficiently. THANK YOU in advance for volunteering! Email: [otchbellaboo@yahoo.com](mailto:otchbellaboo@yahoo.com) if you are interested.

#### **Steps for Joining USCSS™, Registering Dog and Entering this Trial**

1. All competitors must become a member of USCSS™, which is **FREE!** Competitors may join here: <http://members.uscaninescentsports.com/signup>
2. Competitors must then register their dog(s) through the USCSS™ website. Each registration includes a one-time \$25.00 fee. Competitors may register their dogs here: <http://members.uscaninescentsports.com/login>
3. You will then receive a computer-generated email with details regarding your entry. You will then receive a 2<sup>nd</sup> email confirmation with PAYMENT DETAILS from [johmanda@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:johmanda@tampabay.rr.com) on how to submit payment for the entry. Payments will be sent directly to the trial secretary NOT USCSS. The confirmation email will specify WHERE to mail payment. Competitors should note that their spot in the trial will only be held once payment has been received. Please make sure to add [johmanda@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:johmanda@tampabay.rr.com) to your White List so messages do not end up in your SPAM folder.

#### **4. HOTELS – Pet Friendly**

##### **1. QUALITY INN**

2003 South Frontage Road

Plant City, FL. 33573

321 710 0339 direct number

## Love My Angelpups Release of Liability (Waiver)

Owner's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Handler's Name (if different from owner): \_\_\_\_\_

Dog's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Please mail to: **Kim Floyd, 7004 DeMay Street, Riverview, FL 33578**

Please Note: More than 1 dog may be included above.

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 entering this United States Canine Scent Sports (USCSS™) trial, I (we) agree to abide by the rules and regulations of United States Canine Scent Sports (USCSS™) in effect at the time of this event, and by any additional rules and regulations appearing in the rule book dated July 2018 for this event, and further agree to be bound by this liability waiver for all dogs in my care at this event, entered or not. I (we) certify and represent that the dog entered is not a hazard (dog or human aggressive) to persons or other dogs. This entry is submitted for acceptance on the foregoing representation and Agreement. I (we) agree to conduct myself (ourselves) in accordance with all United States Canine Scent Sports (USCSS™) Rules and Regulations and to abide by any decisions made in accord with them. I (we) agree that the organization holding this event has the right to refuse this entry for cause which the organization shall deem sufficient. I (we) agree to hold United States Canine Scent Sports (USCSS™), Love My Angelpups (LMAP), their members, directors, governors, officers, agents, or event secretary and the owner and/or lessor of the trial premises and any provider of services that are necessary to hold this event and any employees or volunteers of the aforementioned parties harmless from any claim for loss or injury which may be alleged to have been caused directly or indirectly to any person or thing by the act of this dog while in or about the event premises or grounds or near any entrance thereto, and I (we) personally assume all responsibility and liability for any such claim; and I (we) further agree to hold the aforementioned parties harmless from any claim for loss, injury or damage to this dog. Additionally, I (we) hereby assume the sole responsibility for and agree to indemnify, defend and save the aforementioned parties harmless from any and all loss and expense (including legal fees) by reason of the liability imposed by law upon any of the aforementioned parties for damage because of bodily injuries, including death at any time resulting therefrom, sustained by any person or persons, including myself (ourselves), or on account of damage to property, arising out of or in consequence of my (our) participation in this event, however such injuries, death or property damage may be caused, and whether or not the same may have been caused or may be alleged to have been caused by the negligence of the aforementioned parties or any of their employees, agents, or any other persons. By entering this trial, I affirm that I and my dog are competent at navigating uneven surfaces with confidence while searching any and all elements and during the entire time we shall dwell on the trial grounds. I furthermore, accept full responsibility for any unruly, reactive or aggressive behavior displayed by my dog and understand any disruptive behavior shall be grounds for immediate removal from the trial site.

In consideration of this entry, I hereby grant to United States Canine Scent Sports (USCSS™), Love My Angelpups (LMAP), and the Owner and/or Lessor of the Trial Premises, all rights and permissions to use or appropriate my dog and I in photographs or videos, for the promotion of scent sports trials.

Owner's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Handler's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

(if different than owner)

**IMPORTANT! IF you are crating in your vehicle for any reason please include the following information:**

Dog name \_\_\_\_\_ Breed \_\_\_\_\_

Vehicle make/model/color \_\_\_\_\_ Ph. # for emergency \_\_\_\_\_

**There will be a designated parking area.**

This Waiver is a Love My Angelpups document and may not be altered in any way. If altered, the competitor's entry will be refused. © 2024