



USCSS Trial -- Hosted by The Brainy Canine

Novice A & B, Intermediate, Advanced, Senior, Master – Classic Trial
No nested searches! Multiple judges!

DATE: Sunday, August 11, 2024

(Closing date: July 31, 2024)

Location: Morrison Hall, 507 Tower Rd, Ithaca, NY 14853

Number of Entries: Maximum of 100 runs for each of 5 judges per day (500 total runs/trial day)

Doors open: 7:30 a.m. for volunteers; Novice Volunteer dogs runs start at 7:35 a.m.
Arrival time for other levels TBD – information will be provided closer to the trial date.

Novice A&B competitor check-in: 8:00 a.m. Briefing no later than 8:20 a.m.

First dog on the line – no later than 8:45 a.m.

CSD: Nancy Almann & Laura Keefe

Judges: Dorianne Almann, John Keefe, Jean Bonasera, Lisa D’Annibale, Lynne Wilks

Entry Cost: \$25 per class.

No Day of Trial Entries

Additional \$5 for any changes after closing date unless a move up is required

Classes offered on August 11, 2024 – Classic Trial (Container, Exterior, Vehicle, Interior)

Novice A & B

Intermediate

Advanced

Senior

Masters

Games: Double Dog Dare & Ludicrous Speed

Steps for Joining USSCS™, Registering Dog and Entering this Trial:

1. All competitors must become a member of USSCS™ (which is free). Competitors may join here: <http://members.uscaninescentsports.com/signup>
2. Competitors must then register their dog(s) through the USSCS™ website. Each registration includes a one-time \$25.00 fee.

3. When logged into their account on the USCSS™ website, competitors may then scroll down to the “LOCAL EVENTS” section, find the trial they are interested in entering and click on the ENTER button.
4. Competitors may then select which dog they are entering and select which classes and/or games they are entering.
5. Competitors will then receive a confirmation email with details regarding their entry and instructions on how to submit payment for their entry. All payments will be sent directly to the trial host (The Brainy Canine/Nancy Almann), not USCSS™.
6. The confirmation email will include information on where to send your check. We are only accepting checks as payment. Competitors should note that their spot in the trial will only be held once payment is received.

Each dog must have a valid USCSS™ registration number to compete in this trial.

Handler may, space permitting, run multiple dogs; dogs competing for titles must run first; For Exhibition Only (FEO) dogs run afterwards.

Parking: Please follow direction from Parking Lot volunteer. There is plenty of space for parking, but there may be sight line issues depending on the level.

Trial Venue Information: We will be using the Hangar Theater. Please be respectful of their property. You must clean up after your dog and keep your dog leashed while you are on the camp's grounds. As per the rules set out by camp management, **failure to do so will trigger your immediate dismissal from the trial and the site. This includes dogs that are on dropped leashes.**

NO SMOKING or VAPING allowed on premises.

Leash and Collars: All dogs must be on a short leash and under control while on trial grounds except while showing. No choke chains, prong collars or halti/head collars are permitted at Brainy Canine events. Leashes of any length may be used while the dog is participating in a run during a Class, but they must be switched over to a 6' length leash when outside of the search area.

The trial will be held indoors and outdoors. Surfaces used for search will be concrete, black top, dirt, grass, and gravel. There may be long walks to some of the search areas.

Cancellation Policy: No refunds are allowed for withdrawal from the trial after August 1, 2024, at 5 P.M. except in case of injured dog(s) (Veterinary note required).

Prior to August 1, 2024, refunds will be given if the spot in the class(es) entered can be filled from the wait list. The refund will be the entry fee(s) paid less a \$20 processing fee per trial day for those seeking a refund prior to that date.

Entry fees will not be refunded in the event a dog is absent, disqualified, excused, or barred from competition by action of the Event Committee.

Every attempt will be made to hold this event as scheduled. In the event of an “Act of God” such as flood, fire or civil disturbances, or any other causes beyond the control of the organizing committee, the event may be cancelled. We will make every attempt to contact entrants and inform them if the trial is cancelled.

Volunteers: Every trial relies on great volunteers to run smoothly & efficiently. Yes! you can run your dog(s) and volunteer at these trials. We are looking for several volunteers at each level, so no one has to volunteer all day.

Please sign up using this Google Sheet link:

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1kiN01RvrvA7uXe50d99B5_dnq28H3ic1Ny_sqccizRM/edit?usp=sharing

Veterinarian: The closest emergency veterinarian is:

Cornell University Hospital For Animals
930 Tower Road
Ithaca, NY 14853
607-253-3060 (prompt #1 for emergencies)

Self-cleaning trial. Please pick up after your dog. We want to be able to use this site again (and again). Bags can be deposited in any of the poop bins you will find in the parking area.

Trial Chairperson & Trial Secretary: Nancy Almann

Phone: 607-216-2658

Email: Ithaca.nose.work@gmail.com

Trial Score Room Lead: Jo Ann Dombeck

Trial Email Address: Ithaca.nose.work@gmail.com (You are required to send all updates/changes to us via email – pls don't PM via FB)

Note: Ribbons must be picked up by days' end. No ribbons will be mailed.

Payment: We are not accepting PayPal payments for this trial. Payment by check only.

Please send payment and signed waiver to (make checks out to Nancy Almann):

Nancy Almann, 6304 Willow Creek Rd, Ithaca, NY 14850

(In case of emergencies, include your cell number on the waiver)

LAST BUT NOT LEAST: PLEASE READ THE RULES: <http://www.uscaninescentsports.com/rules/>

USCSS™ & The Brainy Canine Waiver and Release Agreement

I hereby certify that I will hold harmless any and all persons connected in any capacity whatsoever in regards to the training classes, Pay and Plays, Show and Go's, Clinics, Private Lessons, USSCS™ Events, Trials and Shows from any and all liability, costs and expenses for any injury or damage sustained by or to myself, or by or to my dog(s). I also certify that there will be no legal liabilities held against United States Canine Scent Sports™, Action Dog Sports, Daneen Fox, Julie Sandoval, any USSCS™ Director, Officer, Agent or Employee, The Brainy Canine/Ithaca Nose Work or any owner of places we rent from, or any USSCS™ Affiliate, Director, Officer, Agent, Employee or Volunteer for any damage sustained by me or my dog(s), or any family member or other person accompanying me, in connection with this training class or event. I further agree and release USSCS™ to be permitted to use photographs and video footage taken during USSCS™ Trials, Shows and Events for promotional purposes, which may include the USSCS™ website, marketing materials or official USSCS™ presentations.

Name: _____

Cell phone # _____

Street Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Email Address: _____

Dog(s) Name(s): _____

Signature

Date