#### **ENTRY METHOD:**

#### **ENTRY METHOD: FIRST RECEIVED**

**ENTRIES WILL OPEN ON January 3, 2025, 12:00 PM. CST** at the Trial Secretary's address. All entries received before this date will be returned. Overnight or certified mail must be sent with the "No Signature Required" waiver signed.

ENTRIES CLOSE ON April 1, 2025, 9:30 p.m. CST 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.





# Miniature American Shepherd Club of the USA

(held by an AKC Member Club)

# Interior Novice and Advanced, Container, Buried, Handler Discrimination and Exterior All Levels Plus Detective

**April 1, 2025** Event # 2025701984 **April 2, 2025** Event # 2025701986

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# **Purina Farms**

300 Checkerboard Drive: Grav Summit. MO 63039

Open to Miniature American Shepherds Only

# **ENTRY LIMITS Unlimited**

To be held Indoors/Outdoors



# Judges:

Kimberly Melton Hall, 102379, Bardstown, KY Jayne Meyer, 111785, Allendale, MI Sharon Jonas, 101767, Valparaiso, IN

#### Trial Hours:

Tuesday and Wednesday – 10:00 am until completion Check in 9:30-10:00 am, first dog to follow



# CERTIFICATION

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

Gina DiNardo, Secretary

# OFFICERS OF THE MINIATURE AMERICAN SHEPHERD CLUB OF THE USA

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# **EVENT COMMITTEE**

Cindy Angiulo (Chair), Holly Rupprecht, Sandie Nagel, Kristy Hubbard, Karen Pence or any MASCUSA member present

### JUDGES AND ASSIGNMENTS

Jayne Meyer	Kimberly Melton Hall	Sharon Jonas					
111785, Allendale, MI	102379, Bardstown, KY	101767, Valparaiso, IN					
Tuesday, April 1, 2025 – Trial 1							
Containers All Levels	Detective						
	Tuesday, April 1, 2025 – Tr	rial 2					
Containers All Levels	Exterior All Levels	Detective					
W	ednesday, April 2, 2025 – <sup>-</sup>	Trial 1					
Buried All Levels	Detective	Novice & Advanced Interior					
	Handler Discrimination All						
		Levels					
Wednesday, April 2, 2025 - Trial 2							
Buried All Levels	Detective	Novice & Advanced Interior					
		Handler Discrimination All					
		Levels					

# **VETERINARIAN ON CALL**

Pacific Animal Hospital 7am-6pm Mon-Fri 450 W. Flier Drive Pacific, MO 63069 636-257-2100 Fox Creet Veterinary Hospital 8am-8pm daily/on call after hours 18962 Hwy 100 Wildwood, MO 63069 636-458-6569

Veterinary Specialty Services 24 hours/day 1021 Howard George Drive Manchester MO 63021 636-227-9400 Emergency: 636-227-6100

#### **EMERGENCY SERVICES**

#### **Dial 911**

Urgent Care Center (24 hours) 314.968.4310 Mercy Hospital, Washington MO: 636.239.8000 SSM Health St Clare Hospital: 636.496.2000 Police or Fire: 911

Site Security: 314.982.2222

# **CLASSES OFFERED & JUDGING TIMES**

Tuesday, April	1	Wednesday, April 2					
Trial 1		Trial 1					
Detective	Sharon Jonas	Detective	Kimberly Melton Hall				
Containers – All Levels	Jayne Meyer	Interior – Novice and Advanced	Sharon Jonas				
Exterior – All Levels	Kimberly Melton Hall	HD – All Levels	Sharon Jonas				
		Buried – All Levels	Jayne Meyer				
Trial 2		Trial 2					
Detective	Sharon Jonas	Detective	Kimberly Melton Hall				
Containers – All Levels	Jayne Meyer	Interior – Novice and Advanced	Sharon Jonas				
Exterior – All Levels	Kimberly Melton Hall	HD – All Levels	Sharon Jonas				
		Buried – All Levels	Jayne Meyer				

Move Ups between trials WILL be offered. Move ups must be submitted to the trial secretary one hour before the trial starts.

### HANDLER DISCRIMINATION DIVISON

**Handler Discrimination** classes are titling classes in which the targeted scent is that of the handler themselves. Handlers are required to provide their own scented articles in a plastic bag, for the Novice class, one cotton glove or cotton sock, for Advanced, Excellent, and Master, cotton balls or cotton swabs. Three qualifying scores are required to earn titles in each class.

#### DOG ELIGIBLE TO ENTER

This trial is open to all dogs SIX (6) 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.

**Condition of the Dog.** Dogs with physical challenges (including amputees) are eligible to participate provided that, in the opinion of the judge, they display no signs of physical discomfort and can safely complete the search. Dogs with bandages, sutures, or visible

wounds are not eligible. Deaf dogs and blind dogs are allowed to enter. Dogs that are both deaf and blind are able to participate so long as the handler is in control of the dog at all times, the dog can complete the requirements of the class, and the dog does not appear to be under undue stress in the opinion of the judge.

# **ENTRY FEES**

\*an entry is defined as a single run by a single dog, in a single class. Entry fees include a \$3.50 per run AKC recording fee.

Each entry (Novice through Master)*	\$25.00
Detective	\$50.00
Junior entries (Novice through Master)*	\$12.50
Junior Detective	\$25.00
(Junior handlers must be under 18 and have an AKC Junior Handle	er Number)

Online Entry: Introducing Secreterrier for scent work! Go to https://www.secreterrier.com/ If you have never registered your dog for a Secreterrier event, start by registering your dog. If you have registered your dog, all you have to do, is find the event and enter! This is the quickest and best way to guarantee your entry is received and processed.



Mail entry forms and fees to: Misty Bowen

7387 W Wade St Republic, MO 65738

Please make checks payable to Miniature American Shepherd Club of the USA.

Express mail entries must include the signature waiver allowing them to be left at the secretary's address. Inquiries may be directed to Misty Bowen at <a href="mailto:mistybowen@gmail.com">mistybowen@gmail.com</a>. 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, or entries with no payment, do not constitute a valid entry and the Trial Secretary will add a \$25.00 collection fee to the amount of each returned check.

#### WAIT LIST INFORMATION

Miniature American Shepherd Club of the USA is offering a wait list to fill openings created by withdrawn entries after the trial's closing date/time. A maximum of 25 entries per day will be placed on the club's wait list. All entries, including wait listed entries, must be received by the Trial Secretary prior to April 2, 2025. No entries may be withdrawn with a refund after closing on April 2, 2025. If a withdrawn entry is replaced by a wait listed entry, a full refund will be issued for the withdrawn entry. Any wait listed entry that does not move off the wait list into the trial will receive a full refund.

# STAGING AREA, HANDLER'S BREIFING, AND WARM-UP INFORMATION

**Staging Area** will be out of view of search area(s). Staging area will include warm-up and waiting area, as well as the secretary table for check-ins and posting of running order and results.

The **Handler's Briefing** will take place in view of the search area prior to the start of each class, after the hide(s) have been set and after the Demo Dog has run. In the Handler's Briefing the judge will explain if there's an off-leash option, number of hides, maximum height of hides and maximum time for the search. NO DOGS are to be present during the Handler's Briefing.

A **warm-up area** the club shall designate a warm-up area. One labelled container per target odor being used in the trial on that day will be placed in the warm-up area. This will allow handler-dog teams to prepare themselves for the search prior to their run. Each team should limit their warm-up to two minutes or less so that others may be able to use the warm-up area as well. Clubs may also place blank containers.

#### SEARCH AREA AND RING CONDITIONS

Search areas may be of any shape, and of the size specified in the Regulations for each class. **Search Area Conditions**. Searches may be indoors, on matted, carpeted, or tiled surfaces, or outdoors on grass, gravel, earth, concrete, or asphalt surfaces.

Search Area Sizes will be as follows, Container Novice (250-400sqft.), Interior Novice (100-200sqft.), Exterior Novice (200-400sqft.) Buried Novice (150-200sqft.) Handler Discrimination Novice (250-400sqft.).

#### ADDITIONAL SITE INFORMATION

**Trial Site.** It is not appropriate to scout the trial location prior to the trial date. Many search locations are real-life environments and such visits may risk the host losing the opportunity to use the location in the future.

**Possession of Odors and Training**. Chapter 5. Section 35 of the Scent Work Regulations state "No person other than those engaged in the administration of a trial shall be in possession of any target odor when on the trial grounds. There shall be no training on the grounds of the AKC Scent Work trial, other than the designated warm-up area".

**Spectator Area.** Spectators are encouraged. Any person not handling a dog in the current class, or any person who has already completed their run in the class may choose to watch the search from the spectator area. Handlers may not watch other exhibitors from their class prior to their run except in the case of Handler Discrimination classes. No one outside the search area may assist the handler or disclose the location of the hide.

**Crating space** will not be available. Miniature American Shepherd Club of the USA Club will not be responsible for any lost or damaged items at the show site.

**Exhibitors are responsible** for cleaning up after their dog(s). Any exhibitor failing to do so may be excused without benefit of refund if the Event Committee deems the exhibitor to be in violation of this requirement. Cleaning supplies and disposal sites will be available at various locations around the show grounds.

# **RIBBONS, AWARDS, AND PRIZES**

Placement ribbons will be awarded in each class as follows:

First Place	Blue
Second Place	Red
Third Place	Yellow
Fourth Place	
Qualifying Score	

A **New Title rosette** may be awarded to dogs finishing a title or elite title.

# **MASCUSA AWARDS**

AKC REGISTERED Miniature American Shepherds Only

High in Level Novice – Crystal Trophy High in Level Advance – Crystal Trophy High in Level Excellent – Crystal Trophy High in Trial Master – Crystal Trophy High in Level Detective – Crystal Trophy Junior High In Trial - Crystal Trophy

- Highest number of qualifications (Max of 8, including HD for all levels except Detective, which has a max of 2. Max Q's will vary for all lower levels depending on the elements offered.
- Detective Class If there are no qualifications, add total number of hides found (both rounds) minus total number of faults (both rounds), highest number wins.
- Tie Breaker #1 Least Number of Faults
- Tie Breaker #2 Fastest Combined Time

# **MASCUSA Nationals Official Performance Photographer**

# All Performance Events



Aaron Gold Photo
Performance Event Photographer
https://AaronGoldPhoto.pixieset.com
AaronGoldPhoto@gmail.com
618.954.9292

All exhibitors should obtain a copy of the Regulations for Scent Work, by downloading them here: http://images.akc.org/pdf/rulebooks/RSW001.pdf

#### NOTICE TO EXHIBITORS

#### 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 searches 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. Tri-State Kennel Club 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. Tri-State Kennel Club 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 Tri-State Kennel Club or any official thereof.

**Collars, Leashes and Harnesses.** During searches, dogs must wear a properly fitted collar or harness approved by the judge. A wearable camera such as a Go Pro may be mounted to the dog's harness, if desired. Leashes may be of any length and/or retractable. The leash should be made of plain, pliable material.

**All dogs must be on leash** at all times, and retractable leashes may not be used when on trial grounds (except during judged searches). Dogs must enter and exit the search area with the leash attached to the collar or harness, including when waiting in the search area before and after the search. An off-leash option may be offered at the discretion of the judge, only if the area is completely enclosed.

#### REFUNDS

**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. Dogs pulled after closing because of injury or other medical condition are not eligible for a refund.

**Bitches in season** will be refunded the full entry fee. Notification in writing must be given to the trial secretary no later than one hour prior to the start of the first class of the day of the trial.

# **RINGSIDE**

**Judges are not required** to wait for dogs. The Owner of each dog is solely responsible for having it ready at the search area when it is to be judged. The Club has no responsibility to provide 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.

**EXHIBITOR CHECK-IN**: At check-in you will receive your armband number. Once the time and location for check-in is determined all exhibitors will be notified by email.

# Exhibitors MUST check-in EACH day they are entered.

Claims will be arbitrated as set forth on the Official AKC Entry Form for this event.

Exhibitors should follow their veterinarian's recommendation to ensure their dogs are free of internal and external parasites, any communicable diseases, and have appropriate vaccinations. Additionally, clubs should include any specific local or state health requirements, for example, proof of rabies vaccination.



# Most Versatile and Ultimate Miniature American Shepherd

The Most Versatile Miniature American Shepherd (MV-MAS) and Ultimate Performance Miniature American Shepherd (UP-MAS) competition is offered at the MASCUSA National Specialty and recognizes those dogs that can do it all. This competition is open to Juniors.

For more information on the MASCUSA <u>Most Versatile MAS</u> and/or <u>Ultimate Performance MAS</u> competitions visit <u>2025 Nationals | MASCUSA</u>. or to enter visit https://www.dogzibit.com/shows/

	Tuesday, April 1, 2025	
8:00 am	Agility - Judges: Sangie Brooks and Tim Verelli	Great Hall
10:00 am	Scent Work - Judges Sharon Jonas (Detective), Jane Meyer	Multiple Locations at
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	Wednesday, April 2, 2025	1 30.013
8:00 am	Agility - Judges: Sangie Brooks and Tim Verelli	Great Hall
10:00 am	Scent Work – Judges Sharon Jonas (Interior, Handlers	Multiple Locations at
	Discrimination) Jayne Meyer (Buried) and Kim Hall	Purina
	(Detective)	40 200000000000
	Thursday, April 3, 2025	
9:00 am	Rally – Judge Terry Thornton	Great Hall
10:00 am	Obedience – Judge Debra Addicoat	Great Hall
2:00 pm	Grooming Opens	Gateway Hall
TBD	Fetch Judges Beverly Chang, Deb Lake	Great Hall
	Friday, April 4, 2025	
9:00 am	Rally – Judge Debra Addicoat	Great Hall
10:00 am	Obedience – Judge Terry Thornton	Great Hall
11:00 am	Conformation, BPUP, Juniors - Judge Robert Frost	Great Hall
TBD	Fast Cat	Fast Cat Field
4:00 pm	Disc Dog Workshop	Great Hall
After	MV Judging	Great Hall
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6:00 pm	Breeders Symposium	Founders Room
	Saturday, April 5, 2025	
8:00 am	Herding HT/PT and Instinct Testing Judges: Kirsten Cole-	Herding Field
	MacMurray and Molly Wisecarver	
TBD	Fast Cat	Fast Cat Field
TBD	UpDog	Great Hall
9:00 am	Judges Education	Founders Room
12:00 pm	Conformation, BPUP, Juniors Judge: Leigh Ann Yandle	Great Hall
	Sunday, April 6, 2025	
8:00 am	Herding – HT/PT and Instinct Testing Judges: Kirsten Cole-	Herding Field
	MacMurray and Molly Wisecarver	
TBD	Fast Cat	Fast Cat Field
TBD	Up Dog	Great Hall
9:00 am	Conformation, BPUP, Juniors Judge Karen Hynek	Great Hall
3:00 pm	Top 20/Top 10 Conformation Judging	Great Hall
5:00 pm	GALA	Founders Room
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9:00	Sweepstakes Judges Lisa Brodsky and Larry Hanson	Great Hall
After	Annual Membership Meeting	Founders Room
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9:00	MASCUSA National Specialty – Judge John Wade	Great Hall
	Judge Alaina House (Juniors)	

# **HOTEL INFORMATION**

Wildwood Hotel 2801 Fountain Place Wildwood,MO 63040 636-733-9100 Holiday Inn at Six Flags 4901 Six Flags Road Eureka, MO 63025 1-888-770+9876 RV Parking

RV Parking is available at

Purina Farms

# **DIRECTIONS TO THE TRIAL SITE**

From North/East/South: Take I-44 to Gray Summit/Hwy 100 Exit 253. Turn east on Hwy 100. After approximately 0.5 mile, turn left on MM at gas station. Entrance to Purina Farms is approximately 0.5 mile on left, just past the herding field. From West: Take I-70 to Hwy 47, Exit 193. Take Hwy 47 south to Hwy 100. Continue on 100 to I-44 east. Take I-44 east one exit to Gray Summit. Follow directions above.



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# \*\*\*Be sure to read the Agreement and sign below. No form will be processed without your signature!

See Rules, Regulations, Policies and Guidelines are available on the American Kennel Club Web site,
www.akc.org

#### **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. 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 club shall deem sufficient. I (we) certify and represent that the dog entered is not a hazard to persons or other dogs. 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 harmless from any claim of 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 person. I (we) agree that the determination of whether the injury is serious shall be made by the event veterinarian and is binding on me (us). I (WE) AGREE THAT ANY CAUSE OF ACTION, CONTROVERSY OR CLAIM ARISING OUT OF OR RELATED TO THE ENTRY, EXHIBITION OR ATTENDANCE AT THE EVENT BETWEEN THE AKC AND THE EVENT-GIVING CLUB (UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED IN THIS PREMIUM LIST) AND MYSELF (OURSELVES) OR AS TO THE CONSTRUCTION, INTERPRETATION AND EFFECT OF THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE SETTLED BY ARBITRATION PURSUANT TO THE APPLICABLE RULES OF THE AMERICAN ARBITRATION ASSOCIATION. HOWEVER, PRIOR TO ARBITRATION ALL APPLICABLE AKC BYLAWS, RULES, REGULATIONS, AND PROCEDURES MUST FIRST BE FOLLOWED AS SET FORTH IN THE AKC CHARTER AND BYLAWS, RULES, REGULATIONS, PUBLISHED POLICIES AND GUIDELINES.

#### INSTRUCTIONS

Please check the box for each class desired to be entered. Dogs may enter two different levels within each element, at each trial. Dogs may enter either the Novice A class or the Novice B class – not both. Dogs that have received a previous title are no longer eligible to compete in Novice A classes.

SIGNATURE of owner or his agent duly authorized to make this entr	у.
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