

# ASC of Montana 2026

## Cow Country Classic

### 6 All Breed Stock Dog Trials

A weekend of ASCA® stock dog competitions

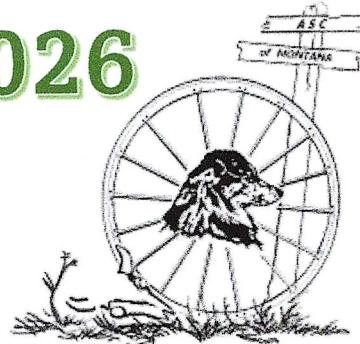
Hosted by the Australian Shepherd Club of Montana

July 10-11-12 AM & PM

Frenchtown, MT

**Pre-entries open May 22<sup>nd</sup> and close June 5<sup>th</sup>**

- Two (AM & PM) arena Stock dog trials each day
  - Friday – Course E (cattle, sheep, ducks)
  - Saturday -- Course D (cattle, sheep, ducks)
  - Sunday – Course H (cattle, sheep, ducks)
- Divisions: FEO, Junior, Novice, Started, Open, Advanced
- The trial will be held at facilities located at Miller's Arena in Frenchtown, MT
- Handlers Meeting each day at 7:30AM
- **JUDGES: Brad Warren, Deb Conroy, Marie Murphy**



### 7 Silver Buckles Offered!!

	Pre-entries	Post-entries
Ducks: 5 head of Khaki Campbell ducks	\$35.00	\$40.00
Sheep: 5 head of hair or wool sheep	\$45.00	\$50.00
Cattle: 3-5 head of Cattle	\$60.00	\$65.00

Junior Entries **50% OFF**. Enter all 6 trials and all classes for \$370.

#### Pre-Entry Deal

- Super weekend discount: Enter all 6 trials and all classes for \$740.
- Pre-entries close on June 5<sup>th</sup>.

Lunch will be offered during an afternoon break all three days. Food is catered and homemade for the event. Lunch tickets are available in advance. **Make a separate check payable to Jim McKay. \$10.00/Day**

Course Director: Jim McKay  
Trial Secretary: Susie Gonaver

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## General Information for ASC of MT Events

These shows are ASCA® sanctioned by the Australian Shepherd Club of Montana. All ASCA® rules apply. ASC of Montana and their members *assume no responsibility for any loss, damage, or injury sustained by an exhibitor, handler, dog, property, child or spectator.* No entry fee will be refunded if the show cannot open or be completed due to riots, civil disturbances, acts of God, public emergencies, or other events beyond the control of ASC of MT. Entries must be made on the official ASCA® entry forms. (Attainable at: <https://asca.org> select: *Forms and Rulebooks*)

### ***Proof of rabies vaccination may be required.***

- An official wait list shall be maintained
- Run order will be determined prior to trial by random draw and posted prior to start of trial.
- Bitches in season will run in draw order.
- **Bitches in season will remain crated when not competing and kept away from spectator area.**
- All dogs must be on leash or crated when not competing.
- Changes and/or substitutions, other than natural division progressions, must be submitted to the trial secretary in writing the evening before the trial.
- Move-ups are allowed, but they may not be recorded correctly unless written notification is provided to the trial secretary prior to the start of the trial.
- Any change requests, including substitutions, must be submitted to the trial secretary in writing the evening before the trial.
- Entry fees will be refunded only when a dog has been certified by a licensed veterinarian as unable to compete due to sickness or injury. The owner will be responsible for all vet fees.
- Pre-entry deadline: Postmark no earlier than May 22<sup>nd</sup> 2025 and no later than June 5<sup>th</sup> 2025. No telephone, facsimile, email, or incomplete entries will be accepted. All entries must be on ASCA® entry forms with proper fees included.
- Please use one entry form per dog.
- Note that the AM or PM designation on a trial does not indicate or restrict the order in which the trials will be held.
- Non-ASCA® dogs may enter the stock trial without a tracking number, however, only those with a tracking number will be awarded ASCA® titles upon completing title requirements.
- Please fill out forms legibly—**especially your email address. You must provide an email address to receive updates. This is the only way you will be notified. A confirmation email will be sent notifying you of the status of your entry.**
- Run limits and judging assignments are subject to change.
- Selling runs will not be permitted.
- If the trial is full and you wish to sell a run, the transaction must be handled by the trial secretary. All offers to buy or sell runs must be submitted in writing at least one hour before the trial starts. No exceptions.
- Please clean up after your dogs. Clean up tools and receptacles are placed at strategic locations around the trial site.

- All ASCA® Rules will be strictly enforced.
- In order to have ASCA® qualifying legs tracked and to receive ASCA® titling certificates each non-ASCA® registered dog will be required to have an ASCA® tracking number. Tracking forms are available at: <https://asca.org/> Chose link to *Forms and Rulebooks*.
- No scoresheets will be given out prior to awards. If you will not be attending awards you can provide a self-addressed stamped envelope, and your score sheets will be mailed or provide an envelope with your name on it to pick up the following day at check-in.

## SCHEDULE

		Course	CATTLE	Course	SHEEP	Course	DUCKS
Friday July 10, 2025	AM	F	Brad Warren	F	Marie Murphy	F	Deb Conroy
Friday July 10, 2025	PM	F	Deb Conroy	F	Brad Warren	F	Marie Murphy
Saturday July 11, 2025	AM	H	Marie Murphy	H	Deb Conroy	H	Brad Warren
Saturday July 11, 2025	PM	H	Brad Warren	H	Marie Murphy	H	Deb Conroy
Sunday July 12, 2025	AM	A	Deb Conroy	A	Brad Warren	A	Marie Murphy
Sunday July 12, 2025	PM	A	Marie Murphy	A	Deb Conroy	A	Brad Warren

## STOCK

**5 head per run Ducks, 5 head per run Hair sheep, and 3-5 head per run Beef Cattle.** Owners of dogs will be held responsible for all injuries to livestock during their runs. Replacement costs are: \$35.00 per duck, \$200 per sheep, and market price per cow unless posted otherwise at time of trial.

## DAILY AWARDS

- Ribbons will be awarded 1<sup>st</sup> thru 4<sup>th</sup> place.
- Color Ribbons for qualifying scores per class and division.
- Rosette Ribbons for High in Trial by division and High combined by class.
- Ribbons will be given out at the end of each day.

Other ribbons/rosettes or prizes may be awarded.

## WEEKEND AWARDS

- Rosettes will be awarded for
  - High in Trial Cattle, Sheep and Ducks

Other ribbons/rosettes or prizes may be awarded.

## BUCKLE AWARDS-7 SILVER BUCKLES OFFERED

- **Most Promising Started Aussie**-Started dog must remain in the Started Division for ALL trials within the Division and enter all classes of stock
- **High Combined WTCH Aussie**-Aussies that have earned their WTCH before the trial begins.
- **High Combined Other Breed**-All other breeds (WTCH or non-WTCH)
- **High Combined Non-WTCH**-Aussies that have not yet earned/qualified for a WTCH title prior to the first day of the event.
- **High Combined Cattle**
- **High Combined Sheep**
- **High Combined Ducks**

\*Rules for weekend Buckle Awards

- ALL scores will be used in High Combined calculations
- To be eligible for an overall combined buckle, the dog must enter all class of stock each trial
- **Owners must designate non-WTCH or WTCH buckle**
- Started dog is not eligible to win the MPSA buckle if the dog has previously been awarded this buckle from ASC of Montana

## ENTRIES

**Acceptance of Entries:** All entries will be put in order of postmark date. A waiting list will be maintained if the trial fills by postmark date of entry. Entries postmarked after June 5th or received before July 10<sup>th</sup> will be considered day of show entries. Day of show entries will be accepted until the trial fills. Once the trial fills, additional entries will be put on a waiting list as per ASCA rules unless the applicant requests otherwise. Applicants preferring an immediate return of their application and fees if the trial is full should include instructions with their application.

**Be sure to fill out ASCA® stock trial entry forms completely** (one per dog) and indicate AM trial or PM trial, and cattle/sheep/ducks, where applicable on one entry form. All entries must be accompanied by payment. Please write legibly! Incomplete or illegible entries will not be accepted. ASCA Entry Forms: <https://asca.org/>

**Include checks payable to ASC OF MT with entries and mail them to:**

ASC of Montana  
ATTN: Susie Gonaver  
126 Buckskin Run  
Whitefish, MT 59937

## Additional Information for Spring Turnout

### FOOD:

**Special LUNCH daily on Break:** \$10.00 per person. **Make checks payable for Lunch to Jim McKay**

In Frenchtown (approximately four miles from the trial site) there are eateries serving Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner. There is also a Grocery Store.

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**CAMPING:**

There will be limited camping on site with no hookups. (\$10.00/night) Include dates and fees with application. **Make checks for camping payable to Jim McKay.**

There are 3 commercial campgrounds 8 miles east of the trial site.

- Jelly Stone: 800-318-9644; 406-543-9400
- Jim and Mary's RV and Camping: 406-549-4416
- Outpost Campground: 406-549-2016 And closer to Missoula there is a KOA campground with cabins (yes that is what they call them!) 800-562-5366; 406-549-0881

**HOTELS in Missoula:**

- Days Inn: 8600 Truck Stop Rd. 406-721-9776
- Quality Inn & Suites: 4545 N Reserve St 406-203-1341
- La Quinta: 5059 N Reserve St. 406-549-9000
- Hampton Inn: 4805 N. Reserve St. 406-549-1800
- Super 8: 4703 N Reserve St. 406-549-1199
- Motel 6: 3035 Expo Pkwy. 406-549-6665
- My Place Hotel: 5951 Expo Pkwy. 406-926-1001
- Grant Creek Inn Best Western: 5280 Grant Creek Rd. 406-543-0700
- Wingate: 5252 Airway Blvd. 406-541-8000

Check to see what arrangements they provide for pets.

There are no housing accommodations in Frenchtown.

**LOCATION:**

Miller's Arena, 16315 Touchette Lane, Frenchtown, MT 59834

**DIRECTIONS:**

**Coming from Spokane on I-90 (headed east):** Take the Huson exit (85). Turn left off the exit ramp and go over I-90 and then make a right onto the frontage road. Continue on frontage road for about 2.5 miles, take a left onto Touchette Lane and go .4 miles to Fox Hill Dr. Take a left and park.

**Coming from Missoula on I-90 (headed west):** Take the French Town Exit (89) then turn right off the exit ramp and go to the Stop sign. Then make a left onto the frontage road and continue about 2.2 miles, passing Frenchtown Pond State Park. Take a right onto Touchette Lane and go .4 miles. Turn left onto Fox Hill Dr. and park.

**VETERINARY SERVICE:**

There will be no Vet on Site at Millers Arena

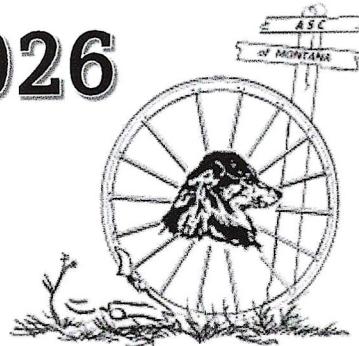
Emergency 24 Hour Vet Clinic

Sentinel Veterinary Specialists and Emergency  
1704 S Reserve St, Missoula, MT 59801  
(406) 218-2800

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## Donations



Yes, I would like to support ASC of Montana and help offset the costs of the trial and awards.

- Donations are accepted via separate check made payable to ASC of Montana. Please write "donation" in memo area.
- Please submit this form and check with your registration.

Donor Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Please apply my donation to: \_\_\_\_\_

Thank you for your support of ASC of Montana. We strive to provide some of the finest Stock Dog Trials in the Country. With support from our participants and Club Members we can offer high quality awards and buckles that recognize the Teams (Handler and Dogs) that participate in our events.

**Good Dogs-Good Stock-Good People**

**AUSTRALIAN SHEPHERD CLUB OF AMERICA®****AGREEMENT**

**IMPORTANT LEGAL AGREEMENT**—Please read the following carefully as it, among other things, may prevent you from suing ASCA® and persons/entities affiliated with it. This agreement could even require you to defend them from demands and suits by third parties that include an assertion of wrongdoing by you. (1) The person signing this Agreement represents being authorized to enter into it on behalf of him/herself, as well as (if different) the owner(s)/exhibitor(s)/handler(s) of the dog(s) for which an entry form is being submitted (all these parties collectively referred to herein as “Applicant”). (2) “Releasees” here collectively refers to the Australian Shepherd Club of America® (ASCA®); its affiliate clubs; and the officers and board of directors, staff, contractors, insurers, attorneys, and agents of ASCA® and of those clubs. (3) This Agreement voluntarily is entered into by Applicant in exchange for the acceptance of the associated entry form and permission to participate in related activities. (4) Applicant agrees to abide by the rules and regulations of ASCA® and any other rules and regulations applicable to this event. (5) Applicant certifies that the entered dog will not pose a hazard to people, property, stock animals, or other dogs, and further that the dog is current with rabies shots along with any other vaccinations required by its state of residence. (6) Applicant acknowledges and assumes the risks to Applicant and Applicant’s dog associated with participation in the event, among which could be ones associated with poor condition of the facilities and surrounding areas; security measures or lack of them; electrical appliances; fittings; show rings; the presence of unfamiliar persons; and the presence/involvement of other animals—whether stock, dogs, or otherwise. (7) Applicant further agrees to comply with all recommended and required health and safety precautions, among which may be those related to social distancing; quarantining; wearing of face coverings; and non-participation of persons exhibiting symptoms or for whom there otherwise has been a likelihood of recent exposure to COVID-19 or other contagious diseases. (8) Applicant additionally acknowledges and agrees to assume the risks associated with taking part in the event though others might neglect compliance with health and safety precautions/requirements or pose an undue risk of spreading disease. For example, as is true as to any public event, there is some risk that Applicant and/or those affiliated with Applicant may catch COVID-19 or another contagious disease at the event. (9) To the maximum extent permissible, this release is to be interpreted under Texas law, without application of its choice of law rules. (10) To the extent that Applicant—or another party suing on behalf of Applicant, or suing to recover based on injuries/death/damage to Applicant/Applicant’s property—sues ASCA® (or a board member or staff member or agent of ASCA®) as a defendant, the sole appropriate forum (to the maximum extent permitted by law) for the suit shall be the state or federal courts serving Brazos County, Texas (where ASCA® has its headquarters). (11) Applicant hereby releases and waives any claims Applicant otherwise might assert against the Releasees as to any injury or damage claim connected in any way to any alleged act or omission arising out of, or occurring concurrent with, the event and related activities, interactions, communications, and even adjacent premises. (12) This release is made not only as to Applicant but also for anyone who might assert a claim on behalf of Applicant or based on purported injury or damage to Applicant/Applicant’s property, as well as any heir, beneficiary, assignee, executor, trustee, agent, or survivor of Applicant. (13) Applicant further agrees to assume sole responsibility for and indemnify, to hold Releasees harmless from related claims, demands, judgments, and settlement payments. (14) These waiver, release, and indemnification provisions extend even to claims or demands asserting that the acts or omissions resulted in bodily injury or death or from intentional wrongdoing, as well as to attorney fees and other costs of defense. (15) The duties of indemnification further extend to any claims or demands asserted against Releasees that are alleged to have arisen out of the acts or omissions of Applicant, Applicant’s dog, or others affiliated with Applicant. Among other things, this means that Applicant would pay the legal defense of Releasees if someone sued them based on a claim Applicant carelessly exposed the claimant to COVID-19. (16) Applicant’s promises in this agreement apply without regard to the type of claim or cause of action asserted against Releasees. (17) To the extent any provision of this agreement is unenforceable, the remainder of it nonetheless is to be enforced. (18) This agreement is to be interpreted to provide Releasees with the maximum permissible legal protection from—among other things—claims and suits pursued by Applicant (and/or those acting on behalf of Applicant or over injury/damage to Applicant). (19) Nothing in this Agreement requires you to indemnify Releasees from claims by third parties that involve no allegations of improper acts or omissions by you, those affiliated with you, nor your dog(s). (20) Applicant acknowledges having read, understood, and had the opportunity for independent legal review of this document prior to signing it.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**SIGNATURE OF OWNER/HANDLER OR PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN (IF JR IS UNDER 18)**  
**PERSON SIGNING THIS FORM IS RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL ERRORS AND RULE VIOLATIONS**

AS USED HERE, “ASCA®” MEANS THE OWNER AND THE OPERATOR OF THE EVENT PREMISES, THE AUSTRALIAN SHEPHERD CLUB OF AMERICA, ITS AFFILIATE CLUBS, AND EACH OF THEIR MEMBERS, OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, EMPLOYEES, SHOW CHAIRMEN, SHOW COMMITTEES AND AGENTS.

October 8, 2020

Emergency Contact Name & Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
EXHIBITOR/OWNER OR PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN (IF JR IS UNDER 18) MUST READ AND SIGN THIS FORM

Entry Number
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PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE ALL INFORMATION CLEARLY

**Stock Trial Entry Form**

<b>Host Club</b>	ASC of Montana										
<b>Trial Dates</b>	July 10-11-12										
<b>Registration/Tracking #:</b>	Breed: _____										
<b>Registered Name:</b>	Color: _____										
<b>DOB:</b>	Sex: <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Female										
<b>Call Name:</b>											
<b>Sire:</b>											
<b>Dam:</b>											
<b>Breeder(s):</b>											
<b>Owner(s):</b>											
<b>Owner Address:</b>											
<b>City:</b>	<b>State:</b>	<b>Zip:</b>	<b>Phone:</b>	<b>Date:</b>							
<b>Junior DOB:</b> _____ (If junior is handling dog)											
<b>Membership Number:</b> _____ (Enter Junior Member ID# if JR is handling dog)											
Date											
7/10											
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<b>STD</b>	<b>OPN</b>	<b>ADV</b>	<b>FTD</b>	<b>FTD</b>	<b>Post</b>	<b>Post</b>	<b>RTD</b>	<b>RTD</b>	<b>Trial</b>	<b>Trial</b>	<b>Trial</b>
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<b>Sheep</b>											
<b>Cattle</b>											
<b>Ducks</b>											
<b>Mixed</b>											
<b>NOV</b>	<b>Work/Jr</b>	<b>FEO</b>	<b>Post</b>	<b>Post</b>	<b>RTD</b>	<b>RTD</b>	<b>Trial</b>	<b>Trial</b>	<b>Trial</b>	<b>Trial</b>	<b>Trial</b>
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<b>Sheep</b>											
<b>Cattle</b>											
<b>Ducks</b>											
<b>Total Entry Fees</b> \$ _____											