
Entry Method: Unlimited

Entries will open **Wednesday, April 2nd, 2025, 8:00am (MST)**. All entries received before this date will be returned. Overnight or certified mail must be sent with the "No Signature Required" waived signed. Online entries will be accepted at: <https://www.fcrsanationalspecialty.com/scent-work> Accurate fees must accompany entries. No Hand Delivered or faxed entries.

Entries for **Flat-Coated Retrievers** will be accepted during the entire period and **given priority April 2nd – April 23rd, 2025**. Entries for all other breeds will be accepted during the entire entry period in order received, but put in priority behind all Flat-Coated Retriever entries received through April 23rd, 2025. Beginning April 24th, 2025, all entries, regardless of breed, will be accepted in order received until the event closing date.

Entries will close on **Friday, May 23, 2025, 5:00 pm**, after which time entries cannot be accepted, canceled, altered, or substituted except as provided for in Chapter 11, Section 6 of the Rules Applying to Dog Shows. Envelopes containing entries for more than ten (10) dogs will be treated as invalid and will be returned.

PREMIUM LIST

AKC All-Breed Scent Work Trials

This event is accepting entries for mixed breed dogs listed in the AKC Canine Partners Program SM



A Licensed American Kennel Club Parent Club

Yellowstone Dog Sports

7753 Hwy 212 Roberts, MT 59070

Indoors & Outdoors

Held in conjunction with the 2025 FCRSA National Specialty

Yellowstone Dog Sports will also be hosting Agility and FastCat at the same time.

Monday, June 9th, 2025 (Event # 2025146019)

Tuesday, June 10th, 2025 (Event # 2025146020)

Classes Offered:	Container	Interior	Exterior	Buried	Detective
	All levels	Novice & Advanced	All Levels	All Levels	

Entry Limits: 200 runs a day including **DETECTIVE** (limit 20 runs)

Josie Le Balch (105338) – 9671 Jumilla Ave., Chatsworth, CA 91311

Penelope Scott-Fox (102462) – 600 W. Woodbury, Rd., Altadena CA 91001

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



**AMERICAN
KENNEL CLUB**

2025 – OFFICERS OF THE FLAT-COATED RETRIEVER CLUB OF AMERICA

President Cindy Zelbst
Vice President Kathy Poole-Price
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TRIAL SECRETARY	TRIAL CHAIRPERSON
<p>Stacy Saravo 10705 E. Quail Run Rd., Cornville, AZ 86325 928-301-2919 Scentwork.aw@gmail.com</p>	<p>Aleks Woodroffe 5802 E. Tierra Buena Ln., Scottsdale AZ 85254 480-298-1962 aleks.woodroffe@gmail.com</p>

1. EVENT COMMITTEE

Aleks Woodroffe, Josie LeBalch, Diana Gruenler, Tony Quade, Adora Lanphere

2. JUDGES AND ASSIGNMENTS

Josie Le Balch
 Chatsworth, CA

Penelope Scott-Fox
 Altadena, CA

Monday June 9th, 2025

Novice & Advanced:
 Container, Exterior, Interior & Buried

Excellent & Masters:
 Container, Exterior, Buried
Detective (20 runs max)

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The following is a **TENTATIVE** schedule. It is contingent on the judges’ discretion when they arrive at the site to allow for the most efficient day. There may be some classes run back-to-back, while others will be run separately. Be prepared for back-to-back searches or single searches. Start times may be staggered. A detailed judging schedule will be available after closing, some classes may be open an extended time to better coordinate with the agility schedule. **Judge’s assignments may change due to the number of entries.** Lunch and breaks at the judges’ discretion.

Judge 1: Advanced (all) AM; Novice (all) PM

Judge 2: Detective; Master Exterior, Buried, Container; Excellent Exterior, Buried, Container

Day to Day move ups must be submitted to the Trial secretary within 30 minutes of the last run of the day.

VETERINARIAN

Moore Lane Veterinary Hospital & 24-7 Emergency - 30 Moore Ln, Billings, MT 59101
406-252-4159

EMERGENCY SERVICES – Fire/Ambulance/Police - 911

Beartooth Billings Clinic Emergency Room: 2525 Broadway Ave N, Red Lodge, MT 59068
406-446-2345

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. Wherever the word “dog” is used in these regulations it includes both sexes.

Dogs with physical challenges (including amputees) are eligible to participate provided that, in the opinion of the judge, the dog displays no sign of physical discomfort and can safely complete the search. Deaf and blind dogs are allowed to enter. Females in season may not participate, aggressive dogs, or dogs suffering from an injury, or illness which may affect the dog’s physical or mental performance may not participate. No dog shall compete if it is sutured, bandaged, or has any visible wounds.

All exhibitors should obtain a copy of the Regulations for Scent Work Trials by downloading them from the American Kennel Club Website. <http://images.akc.org/pdf/rulebooks/RSW001.pdf>

ENTRY FEES PER DAY

An entry fee is defined as a single run by a single dog, in a single class. First entry and additional entries are per trial (designated by an AKC event number).

First entry of each dog	\$25.00 (includes a \$3.50 AKC recording fee)
Additional entries of each dog	\$25.00 (includes a \$3.50 AKC recording fee)
DETECTIVE runs will be	\$50.00 each run (includes a \$3.50 AKC recording fee)

Entry online at:	https://www.fcrsanationalspecialty.com/scent-work
Mail completed entry forms and fees to:	Aleks Woodroffe 5802 E. Tierra Buena Ln., Scottsdale AZ 85254
<i>Please make all checks payable to</i>	<i>Flat-coated Retriever Society of America (FCRSA)</i>

Juniors registered in AKC Jr Handler Program, please provide AKC JR number.

No entries will be accepted by phone, email, or fax. NO HAND DELIVERIES Express mail entries must include the signature waiver allowing them to be left at the secretary’s address. Inquiries may be directed the Trial Secretary at scentwork.aw@gmail.com. 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 and the Trial Secretary will add a \$25.00 collection fee to the amount of each invalid check.

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.

Bitches in season will be refunded the full entry fee. Notification in writing must be given to the trial secretary no later than one half hour prior to the start of the first class of the day of the trial. **Dogs pulled after closing because of injury, suspected of having a contagious illness, or other medical condition are eligible for a 75% refund.** Owner should provide a note from their veterinarian. The health and safety of your dog and all other dogs entered at the trial should be seriously respected.

In the event that the handler is positive or suspected to have contracted COVID-19 or is exhibiting symptoms consistent with COVID, the club reserves the right to refund that handler's entry if they are unable to work their dog. The exhibitor must notify the trial secretary at least 30 minutes prior to the start of the first class of the day.

SEARCH AREA & RING CONDITIONS

Search areas may be of any shape, and of the size specified in the Regulations for each class. Searches may be indoors, on matted, carpeted, or tiled surfaces, or outdoors on grass, gravel, earth, concrete, or asphalt surfaces. Trial will take place rain or shine.

Search area sizes will be as stated in the AKC regulations for all elements and levels.

STAGING AREA, HANDLER'S BRIEFING, AND WARM-UP INFORMATION

Staging Area will be out of view of search area(s). Staging area will include warm-up and waiting areas.

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. We will be doing a video recorded walkthrough that will be available to teams the night prior to the searches, teams will **ALSO** be receiving a briefing on the line by their judge.

One labeled 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 in the warm up area if they choose.

SITE INFORMATION

Trial Site. It is not appropriate to scout the trial location prior to the trial date, this includes driving into the parking lot or otherwise disturbing their regular business. Many search locations are real-life environments, and such visits may risk the host losing the opportunity to use the location in the future. This trial site will not be used for Scent training one week before the trial.

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 welcome! There may be some searches that are too small to allow spectators (ex. Interior) and it is up to the judge's discretion. Spectators are expected to remain in designated areas, including for detective. Spectators are forbidden to discuss any details of the searches with handlers who have not run (and please refrain from discussing the searches until all dogs have run)!

Crating space You will be staging from your car. FCRSA will not be responsible for any lost or damaged items left at the show site. There will be no overnight security.

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. **Please only potty on the trial property and within the designated areas.**

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.....White
- Qualifying Score.....Dark Green

A New Title rosette will be awarded to all dog and handler teams finishing a title.

High in Trial

All level High in Trial rosettes will be offered at this trial. Only teams who participate in the same difficulty level in *all* elements offered (Container, Interior, and Buried), and qualify in each are eligible to win High in Trial. There is no separate High In Trial for the Novice A and Novice B sections; they are combined. The High in Trial is determined by adding the team’s faults across the elements. If there is a tie based on faults, then the team’s times across the elements will be summed and the faster finishing team will win. Teams winning High In Trial will earn a rosette.

Title ribbons, Detective Placement Rosettes & HIT are being sponsored by Aleks Woodroffe, DesertFire Flat-Coated Retrievers

NOTICE TO EXHIBITORS

A **preliminary confirmation** will be sent once your entry is received. A final confirmation with trial details will be sent out about a week before the trial.

Handler Briefings – you will receive links to videos of your search areas the night before the trial. The judge will also give each exhibitor a short briefing when you come to each search area. There will be no general briefing at the start of the day. PLEASE BE SURE TO READ THROUGH YOUR final exhibitor briefing letter that will be emailed one week prior to the trial. This will include all your information for parking, times to arrive, and any other important information!

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. The *Flat-Coated Retriever Society of America (FCRSA)* (“the 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. The 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 club or any official thereof.

Collars, Leashes and Harnesses. During searches, dogs must wear a properly fitted collar or harness approved by the judge (tags ok). Dogs are permitted to have 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 where allowed). 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. Handlers will have the option to run Detective class off-leash.

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. Details about flow and run order progression will be covered in the briefing.

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.

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

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

The AKC is committed to creating a safe and respectful sport environment for all. If you need to talk to someone, or need help, please call 800.656.HOPE (National Sexual Assault Hotline) or text HOME to 741-741 for free, 24/7, confidential services for trained crisis counselors.

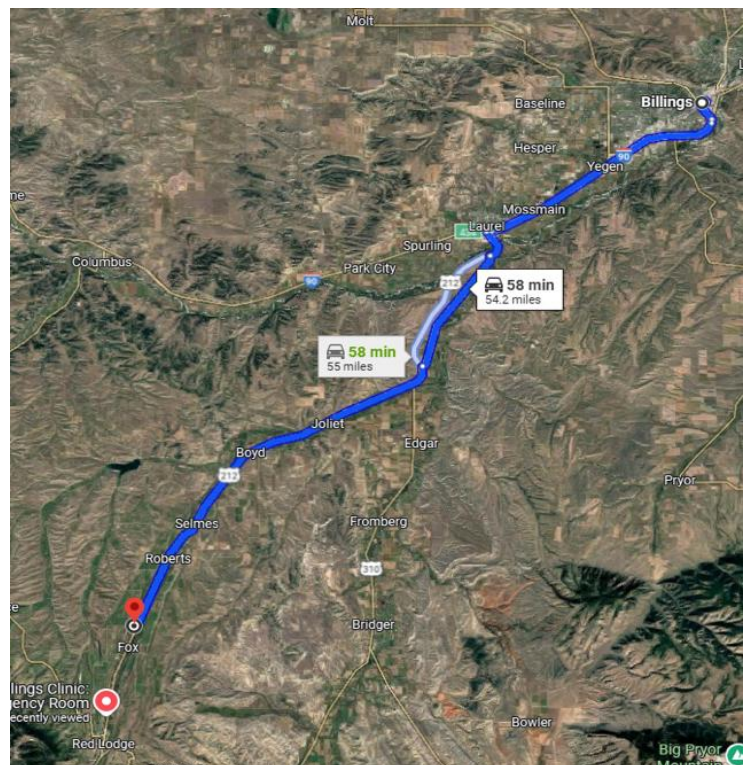
HOTEL INFORMATION

Please visit the specialty website for hotel information:
<https://www.fcrsanationalspecialty.com/accomodations>

DIRECTIONS TO THE SITE

Yellowstone Dog Sports *7753 Hwy 212 Roberts, MT 59070*

From Billings: Travel west on US90 and turn south on HWY 212 in Laurel (left); continue on HWY 212 through Rockvale for 24 miles. Yellowstone Dog Sports will be on your right. The corner is marked by flags and a metal sign.



AKC Official Entry Form



AKC SCENT WORK ENTRY FORM

Flat-Coated Retriever Society of America

Yellowstone Dog Sports

Open 4/2/2025, Close 5/23/2025

	Container	Interior	Exterior	Buried	Handler Discrimination	DETECTIVE
Monday 6/9/2025	<input type="checkbox"/> Novice A or <input type="checkbox"/> Novice B <input type="checkbox"/> Advanced <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent <input type="checkbox"/> Master	<input type="checkbox"/> Novice A or <input type="checkbox"/> Novice B <input type="checkbox"/> Advanced	<input type="checkbox"/> Novice A or <input type="checkbox"/> Novice B <input type="checkbox"/> Advanced <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent <input type="checkbox"/> Master	<input type="checkbox"/> Novice A or <input type="checkbox"/> Novice B <input type="checkbox"/> Advanced <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent <input type="checkbox"/> Master	NOT OFFERED	<input type="checkbox"/> Detective
Tuesday 6/10/2025	<input type="checkbox"/> Novice A or <input type="checkbox"/> Novice B <input type="checkbox"/> Advanced <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent <input type="checkbox"/> Master	<input type="checkbox"/> Novice A or <input type="checkbox"/> Novice B <input type="checkbox"/> Advanced	<input type="checkbox"/> Novice A or <input type="checkbox"/> Novice B <input type="checkbox"/> Advanced <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent <input type="checkbox"/> Master	<input type="checkbox"/> Novice A or <input type="checkbox"/> Novice B <input type="checkbox"/> Advanced <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent <input type="checkbox"/> Master	NOT OFFERED	<input type="checkbox"/> Detective

Entry fees: \$25 per class, \$50 for Detective

Enter & Pay online at: <https://www.fcrsanationalspecialty.com/scent-work>

of classes entered: _____ x \$25 = \$ _____

detective runs entered: _____ x \$50 = \$ _____

Total \$ _____

AKC Registered Name		Registration Number	
		<input type="checkbox"/> AKC/PAL/ILP/CP <input type="checkbox"/> Foreign	
Call name	Date of birth	Sex	
Breed		Variety	
Breeder			
Sire			
Dam			
Owner			
Owner's Address			
City	State	Zip	
Telephone	Email		
Handler name (if different from owner):		Junior Handler # (if applicable):	

Fields marked in blue are REQUIRED.

Fields marked in gray must be completed if the information is known.

Be sure to read the Agreement and sign on the reverse. No form will be processed without your signature!

AKC 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

Entering Novice A or B: The Novice A class is for beginners. Once you have a Novice title in the element, you will need to enter Novice B or Advanced class. The Novice B class is open to all dogs. Advanced classes are for dogs who have earned a title in that element. The exhibitor is responsible for entering the dog in the correct class(es). Failure to do so will result in the cancellation of qualifying scores. Exhibitors may handle only 1 dog in an element in each trial (unless Handler Discrimination is being offered).

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

SIGN HERE X: _____

Phone #: _____

Email: _____

In case of Emergency – Name: _____ Phone #: _____

VOLUTNEERS

Volunteers are needed for our trials to run smoothly! Key volunteer positions run at the beginning of the run order.

Name: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

What day can you volunteer (circle if you can do AM, PM, or all day)?

Monday	Tuesday
AM / PM / All Day	AM / PM / All Day

Please list your **entered dog's** names and **what they are entered in** (so we can schedule accordingly):

Saturday	Sunday

What positions would you be **comfortable** doing?

Judge's Steward YES

Not Comfortable

**Gate Steward
(includes boxes)** YES

Not Comfortable

Timer YES

Not Comfortable

Scribe Sheet Runner YES

Not Comfortable

Please send form to Aleks Woodroffe at aleks.woodroffe@gmail.com

Position Descriptions:

Judge's Steward – Responsible for helping the judge throughout the trial. Usually this position is filled by someone who is not running in the trial. Duties can include – handling “hot” items/ “cold” items, welcoming next competitor to search area, ensuring judge is comfortable and has water. Should be able to lift 35 lbs and stay on their feet for large portions of the day.

Timer – Responsible for starting and stopping a handheld timer. Needs to be able to hear the competitor's calls and recite the time to the judge at the conclusion of the search. Can be sitting for most searches.

Box Steward – Needed for Buried & Container searches. Will be bending, lifting up to 35 lbs, and rearranging/cleaning containers as needed.

Gate Steward, Staging Area Steward – Helps efficiently (and happily) move competitors through staging areas and into the search areas. These roles are important to running a smooth trial and for competitors to have a pleasant experience. Organization, clear communication, kindness.

Scribe Sheet Runner – Constantly moving throughout the trial, moving scribe sheets from the judge to the score room.

Judge's Steward and timer are positions preferably given to teams that are not competing or only minimally competing.