

**ENTRY METHOD: FIRST RECEIVED**

**ENTRIES OPEN ON WEDNESDAY, February 15, 2023, at 8:00 AM EST** 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 WEDNESDAY, March 15, 2023 at 6:00 PM EST**

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. Maximum of 10 entries per envelope.

**PREMIUM LIST**

**TWO BSQA 2023 NATIONAL SPECIALTY AGILITY TRIALS  
BELGIAN SHEEPDOGS ONLY**



**Trial 1 - Tuesday, April 25, 2023 Event # 2023126313,  
Trial 2 - Tuesday, April 25, 2023 Event # 2023126314**

Licensed by the American Kennel Club to be held in covered horse arena

**Smoky Mountain Event Center**

(Formerly Haywood Country Fairgrounds)

758 Crabtree Road, Waynesville, NC

LIMITED TO 250 RUNS PER DAY (125 per trial)

This trial will be held indoors on professionally groomed dirt.

Two rings, 93' x 95'

**Judge: Brian Brane**

**CERTIFICATION**

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

Gina M. DiNardo, Executive Secretary



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**EVENT COMMITTEE**

Marion Stark, Tim Tedrow, Linda Brady, Carleen Wiles, Eileen Indorato

Club site – <https://bsca2023.bsca.info>

Trial Secretary website: [www.dobermanfarms.com](http://www.dobermanfarms.com)

Please check the web sites for trial information and updates

**JUDGE**

Brian Brane, Judge #96635  
Pittsboro, NC

**EMERGENCY VETERINARIAN**

**Haywood Animal Emergency @ Junaluska Animal Hospital**  
3248 Asheville Rd. (Bus. US 23), Waynesville, NC (828) 452-1478  
(1.4 miles from show site) 6:00 pm – 10:00 PM M-F, 8:30 am 10:00 PM Sat/Sun  
From show site: left onto Crabtree Rd., continue under US19/74 overpass, road becomes Business US 23/Asheville Rd., go past Lowes, clinic on left

**After 10:00 PM: Med-Vet Asheville**  
677 Brevard Road, Asheville, NC 28806 (828) 665-4399 From I-40, take Exit 47 and go south on 191 for 0.9 miles; clinic on your right Carolina Veterinary  
336-715-5392 – Please call ahead 1600 Hanes Mall Blvd, Winston-Salem, NC 27103  
*24 hour emergency service*

**EMERGENCY SERVICES**

Fire/Ambulance/Police  
**911**

**CLASSES OFFERED & RUNNING ORDER**  
**JUDGE: BRIAN BRANE**

<b>TUESDAY</b> <b>4/25/2023 Trial 1</b> Small to tall	<b>TUESDAY</b> <b>4/25/2023 Trial 2</b> Small to tall
Time2Beat Mst/Exc JWW Mst/Exc Standard Open JWW Open Standard Novice JWW Novice Standard	Mst/Exc JWW Mst/Exc Standard Open JWW Open Standard Novice JWW Novice Standard

Ring 1: Time2Beat, Mst/Exc Standard, Open Standard, Novice Standard  
Ring 2: Mst/Exc JWW, Open JWW, Novice JWW

**This is the expected running order. In the event it needs to be re-evaluated and changed we will notify entered exhibitors.**

**Walk-throughs will be announced in the trial information after closing.**

**FEO RUNS (For exhibition only) ARE NOT OFFERED AT THIS TRIAL.**

**DOG ELIGIBLE TO ENTER**

This trial is open to all dogs fifteen (15) 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 should be physically sound. Dogs that are blind shall not be eligible, and neither are bitches in season, aggressive dogs, or dogs suffering from any deformity, injury, or illness which may affect the dog's physical or mental performance. No dog shall compete if it is taped or bandaged in any way or has anything attached to it for medical purposes. Refer to Chapter 2 of the Registration and Discipline Rules for the listing of registerable breeds that may participate. Puppies under four (4) months of age are strictly prohibited from the trial grounds

**AKC RULES AND REGULATIONS**

All exhibitors should obtain a copy of the Regulations for Agility Trials by downloading them from the American Kennel Club website at <http://www.akc.org/rules/>.

**ENTRY FEES PER DAY**

First entry of each dog (includes a \$3.50 AKC recording fee) .....\$25.00  
Second - fifth entry of same dog (includes a \$3.00 AKC recording fee) .....\$20.00  
NOTE: THERE ARE TWO TRIALS OFFERED. EACH TRIAL WILL NEED A FIRST ENTRY.

E-mail confirmations will be sent to those listing a **PRINTED** e-mail address on the entry form. If you need a paper confirmation and would like to know the status of your entry prior to the issuance of the judging schedule upon closing, please enclose a self-addressed, stamped envelope or postcard along with your entry.

**Mail entry forms and fees to:**

**DO NOT STAPLE CHECK TO ENTRY FORM**

Shannon Jones, Trial Secretary, BSCA  
600 N Harrison Ave  
Cary, NC 27513

**Make checks payable to Belgian Sheepdog Club of America, Inc.**

All entries, requests for move-up, etc. are promptly responded to. If you do not receive a response within 48 hours, please email Tina. (weekends excepted).

Express mail entries must include the signature waiver allowing them to be left at the secretary's address (**max 10 entries per envelope**). No entry shall be made, and no entry shall be accepted that specifies any conditions as to its acceptance. **No entries will be accepted by phone, fax or email.**

**Payment must accompany entry.** No hand deliveries will be accepted in the first twenty-four hours following the opening date and time. Inquiries may be directed to Shannon Jones at [firstdobe@gmail.com](mailto:firstdobe@gmail.com).

Entries must be submitted on Official AKC-form with correct entry-fees listed. One dog per form. **Please read the section: "Class changes effective January 1, 2020," posted in the premium, for instructions when entering same dog in multiple heights or mixed regular and preferred classes.**

Agreement on back of form **MUST** be signed. Photo-copies must be legible with original signature. Max 10 entries (dogs) per envelope (includes Express-mail-entries).

**NO emailed forms, fax or telephone entries accepted.**

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 \$30.00 collection fee to the amount of each returned check.** Be sure to include correct fees. Overpayments less than \$10 will not be refunded

**ONLINE ENTRY INFORMATION**

**You may enter this trial online using LabTestedOnline**

<https://www.labtestedonline.com/>

This trial is accepting online entries through LabTestedOnline.com. During the first 48 hours after opening, the initial limit of entries designated as either online or paper will be as follows. 30% online per day, 70% each day. If either form of entry has not filled at the end of the 48-hour time period, the club reserves the right to decrease or increase either one accordingly.

## MEASURING AND HEIGHT CARD INFORMATION

Effective January 1, 2010, exhibitors are no longer required to provide proof to Trial Secretaries that their dog has a valid jump height card as part of the check-in process. Furthermore, this change eliminates the need for a copy of the jump height card to be submitted with an entry form. Dogs without a valid Jump Height Card/Form may still compete; but they must be measured/wicketed by the Judge of Record PRIOR to running in their class and this measurement will be valid for that weekend of trials only. The exception to this requirement is a dog entered in the 24" or 24C height division. However, if a Volunteer Measuring Official (VMO) or an Agility Field Rep is present; ALL dogs without a valid Jump Height Card/Form must be measured at some time during the trial or cluster of trials. This does not preclude having the dog wicketed by the Judge of Record if the VMO or Rep is not available to measure the dog before its first run of the trial or cluster of trials. It is the exhibitor's responsibility to have their dog measured prior to running and failure to do so will result in the cancellation of any qualifying scores.

### PLEASE NOTE:

Effective 1/2/18, the 26-inch jump height division is replaced by the 24-Choice jump height division.

## HEIGHT DIVISIONS

Regular		Preferred
16 inches	for dogs 18 inches and under at the withers	12" Preferred class
20 inches	for dogs 22 inches and under at the withers	16" Preferred class
24 inches	for dogs over 22 inches at the withers	20" Preferred class
<b>24Choice</b>	Only dogs 22" and under may enter this height at the owner's discretion	N/A

RINGSIDE - Dogs may arrive any time prior to judging if the dog has a valid temporary or permanent jump height card. Otherwise, they must be available for measuring prior to the start of their class if a VMO or AKC Field Rep is available to measure dogs. All dogs not needed for further judging will be excused.

## CLASS CHANGES EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2020

### Entering a Mixture of Regular and Preferred Classes Within the Same Trial Weekend – Multiple Jump Heights Within the Same Trial Day

Effective January 1, 2020, exhibitors may enter a mixture of both Regular and Preferred classes on the same trial day and/or during a trial weekend. Any mixture of Regular and Preferred classes is allowed. Please note that if a dog qualifies in Regular Master Standard and Preferred Master JWW (or vice versa) on the same trial day, then NO Double Q shall be earned toward either the MACH or PACH title. The Double Q still requires that Standard Agility and Jumpers With Weaves be either both Regular OR both Preferred on the same trial day.

Additionally, within the same Regular or Preferred classes, a dog may now be entered in multiple jump heights within the same trial day. For example, the same dog may now be entered in 20-inch Master STD/JWW while also entered in 24C-inch Premier STD/JWW on the same trial day.

A separate entry form must be submitted when the same dog is being entered in a mixture of Regular and Preferred and/or different jump heights within the same trial weekend thereby clearly indicating which class(es) and/or jump heights belong together for each trial day of the weekend.

**When calculating entry fees, treat multiple entry forms for the same dog as if only one form had been filled out. In other words, the 1<sup>st</sup> run entry fee is only paid once per day, per dog, even if that dog's runs have been submitted on multiple entry forms.**

### SECTION 1.01

### AND GO ON (FNG)

### FIX

### Fix and Go On

Fix and Go On allows exhibitors to immediately reattempt an obstacle at any time while on course when the dog's performance of an obstacle is not to their expectation. This allows the dog to successfully complete the obstacle then finish the course or leave the ring on a positive note. Using Fix and Go On will result in a non-qualifying score. Fix and Go On is not pre-entered; rather, it occurs during the run.

## OBSTACLES AND RING CONDITIONS

Obstacles will meet the specifications for obstacles in the current edition of the Regulations for Agility Trials. Rubberized contacts will be used. All classes will take place on professionally groomed dirt. Ring size will be 93' x 95'.

### Course WALK-THROUGHS AND Warm-Up INFORMATION

Handlers in all classes are permitted to walk the course, without a dog, during a walk-through period held prior to the start of the class. The walk-through is restricted to handlers entered in that class only.

A warm-up area, consisting of a regulation agility jump, will be provided for exhibitors. The warm-up area is to be used exclusively for warming up the dog and not for training or relieving of the dog.

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

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## RIBBONS AND AWARDS

- ❖ Rosettes will be awarded to the first through fourth place dog in each jump-height division in each class.
- ❖ Qualifying rosettes will be awarded to all dogs receiving a qualifying score
- ❖ Agility Grand Champion (AGCH) Rosettes will be given to those earning this award at this trial
- ❖ MACH/PACH Rosettes and a bar will be given to exhibitors earning a MACH/PACH title at this trial.
- ❖ New Title Rosettes will be given to dogs earning a new title.

All ribbons must be claimed by the end of the Trial; none will be mailed.

### Trophies

Beautiful handcrafted ceramic pieces with a BSD motif, designed by Furrytale Ceramic Studio

High in Trial Regular Trial 1	Plate
High in Trial Preferred Trial 1	Plate
High Combined Score Regular Trial 1	Tray
High Combined Score Preferred Trial 1	Tray
High in Trial Regular Trial 2	Flower Pot
High in Trial Preferred Trial 2	Flower Pot
High Combined Score Regular Trial 2	Welcome Sign
High Combined Score Preferred Trial 2	Welcome Sign

## NOTICE TO EXHIBITORS

The safety of the dogs 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 obstacles safely. It is expressly understood that the exhibitors alone are responsible for the behavior of their dogs and/or children. Any exhibitor whose dogs and/or children create unnecessary disturbances or repeatedly engage in unsafe or disruptive behavior may, at the discretion of the Event Committee, be asked to leave the show site. In such case, no refund of any entry fees will be made. All dogs must be on leash at all times except when in the ring or when in the designated agility warm-up area. No dogs may be left tied to trees, cars, fences, etc.

Dogs under 4 months of age are not allowed at this trial. Entry fees will not be refunded in the event that the dog is absent, disqualified, excused, or barred from competition by action of the Event Committee. No entry fee will be refunded if the trial cannot open or be completed by reason of 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. Exhibitors are responsible for being at the ring gate when it is their turn to run. No classes will be held up by a late exhibitor.

**This club does not agree to arbitrate claims as set forth on the Official AKC Entry Form for this event.**

## MOVE UP REQUESTS

**Move ups must be sent in writing** (e-mail is acceptable and preferred--NO TEXTS OR INSTANT MESSAGES) to the Trial Secretary **no later than TUESDAY, April 18, 2023, by 6:00 PM**. Include your dog's call name, registration number, owner's name, class you are moving from, and class you are moving up to. Please note that Novice A entrants who finish a title after closing do NOT move to Novice B - they stay in Novice A or move to Open.  
Send via email to [firstdobe@gmail.com](mailto:firstdobe@gmail.com)

Day to day move ups must be submitted in person to the trial secretary no later than 15 minutes after the last class each day, The trial secretary will be more than grateful if you will do your move-ups as soon as possible.

## BIS, AND INJURY REFUND INFORMATION

Any exhibitor with a bitch entered, which is in season on the trial date, will be refunded the entry fee less \$5 per entry, upon written certification from a veterinarian. Notification with documentation from veterinarian must be in the hands of the Trial Secretary no later than 30 minutes before the start time on Tuesday, April 25, 2023.

## SITE & TRIAL INFORMATION

### No Exhibitor Setup prior to Tuesday.

**Crating** is available for all. Please stick to areas designated by the club.

• There will be TWO agility trials held on one day. Both are open to Belgian Sheepdogs only.

\* Entries are limited to 250 runs for the day (total between the two trials). Entries are accepted via First Received method and open on February 22, 2023 at 8 am EST. Hand-delivered entries are not allowed. No envelope can have more than 10 dogs' entries included.

• 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 obstacles safely.

• Owners are responsible for entering the proper height division. All measurements at the dog's withers.

Trial 1 Check-in will begin at 8:00 am, with judging beginning at 9:00 am.

Trial 2 Times for check in, walk through and judging will be established after closing and size of trial is determined.

Tentative Schedule – Subject to Change.

Times and Jump Height Order /Groups will be established after closing and size of trial is determined.

**Masks** are optional for all individuals.

**Food** – Food Truck will be available from approx. 10-2  
<http://www.appalachiansmoke.com/food-trailer.html>

## RV PARKING

**LIMITED** RV parking is available @ \$35/night which includes electric and water hook up. NO SEPTIC.

For more information in reserving a space, please contact Marion Stark [funboat9@hotmail.com](mailto:funboat9@hotmail.com)

## DIRECTIONS TO THE TRIAL SITE

Smoky Mountain Arena and Event Center

<https://www.smokymountaineventcenter.org/contact-us/>

On right of page click on 'view larger map' and enter your starting location.

## VOLUNTEERS

### **We need your HELP for a Successful Trial!**

#### **Volunteers needed!**

If you are willing to help out at the agility trial by working in the rings (being a Timer, Scribe, Gate Steward, Bar Setter, Course builder, Leash or Scoresheet Runner), please contact Marion Stark [funboat9@hotmail.com](mailto:funboat9@hotmail.com)

**We can especially use to help unload equipment the day before, Monday April 24, 2023 between 5-7 PM.**

Those of you who are experienced can help us by sharing your talents and helping to train the newcomers. For those of you who are new to agility, we will train you and offer support as you learn about what it takes to put on a trial.

We will make sure your duties will not interfere with running your runs.

**If you are available to help, please sign up using the link to our online forms which will be included with your final confirmation letter.**



Belgian Sheepdog Club of America, Inc.

Opens: February 15, 2023 @ 8:00am Closes: March 15, 2023 @ 6:00pm



ENTRY FEE INCLOED

\$

IMPORTANT: Carefully read instructions before filling out!

Entry Fee 1st run \$25, 2nd - 3rd entry same dog/same trial \$20

Trial # 1: [ ] T2B [ ] Std [ ] JWW Trial # 2 [ ] Std [ ] JWW

NOTE: THERE ARE TWO TRIALS. THE FIRST ENTRY OF EACH TRIAL IS \$25.

Make checks payable to: Belgian Sheepdog Club of America, Inc.

Mail to: Shannon Jones-trial secretary, 600 N Harrison Ave, Cary, NC 27513

[ ] Catalog \$10?

Choose Either Regular OR Preferred Classes

Circle one jump height | Circle class selections | Only one selection per class

Table with 2 columns: REGULAR Classes (16", 20", 24") and PREFERRED Classes (16", 20", 24"). Rows include STD, NovA, NovB, Open, Exc, Master, JWW, and T2B options.

Form fields: This Dog Needs To Be Measured [ ] Yes [ ] No, SEX, HEIGHT AT WITHERS, BREED, VARIETY, CALL NAME.

AKC® NAME (INCLUDE AKC TITLES ONLY)

Registration information form: AKC® NO [ ], Enter Complete Registration # below, DATE OF BIRTH, ILP NO. [ ], PAL NO. [ ], PLACE OF BIRTH (LIST COUNTRY), FOREIGN REG. NO & COUNTRY [ ], BREEDER, SIRE, DAM, ACTUAL OWNERS, OWNERS ADDRESS, ADDRESS, CITY, STATE ZIP + 4, HANDLER, ENTER JR. HANDLER # if applicable.

Exhibitor or owner MUST sign on the signature line beneath the instructions.

AKC Rules, Regulations, Policies and Guidelines are available on the American Kennel Club Website, 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 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 person. 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

Handlers whose dogs measure into the 8" through 20" regular jump height divisions may opt to enter in a higher or 24-choice height division for all Regular titling classes, but not in a division lower than their proper height division. Dogs who measure into the 24" regular jump height division may not enter 24-choice. Dogs entered in the Preferred classes must compete at the required jump height and may not compete in a jump height division higher or lower than their proper height division.

All dogs that have not been officially measured for an Agility Jump Height Card may still compete; however, they must be measured by a Judge of record, an Agility Field Representative, or a Volunteer Measuring Official, prior to running. If measured by the Judge of record, that measurement will be valid for this trial or back-to-back trials only. If a measurement is necessary, it is the exhibitor's responsibility to have their dog(s) measured prior to running.

Dogs listed in the AKC Canine Partners ProgramSM may be eligible to enter all-breed AKC agility trials at the

club's option. These dogs should be listed as All American Dog and must include their AKC number on the entry form and check the AKC No. box.

Junior Handlers should enter their Junior Handler number on the front of this form. Should you not have your Junior Handler number, it may be obtained from the American Kennel Club (919) 233-9767. If the Junior Handler is not the owner of the dog identified on the face of this form, what is the relationship of the Junior Handler to the Owner?

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

SIGN HERE X \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

In Case of Emergency - Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_