

Sarasota Obedience Training Club
C/O Suzanne Ellis, Trial Secretary
524 Serata St, Venice, FL 34285

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Myakka City, FL 34251
www.sotcdogtraining.com

LICENSED BY THE AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB

Two Scent Work Trials
Event #2020014606 & #2020014607
Saturday, March 28, 2020
Sunday, March 29, 2020

One trial per day
One ring per trial
Limited to 135 entries per trial
Held Indoors in Air Conditioning
And in Adjacent Areas Outdoors

Trial Hours:
Saturday & Sunday – 8:00 AM to 6:00 PM
Self-Check-In – 8:00 to 8:45 AM Daily
First Handler's Briefing at 9:00 AM, First Dog to Follow

Opening Date 2/21/20 9:00 AM EST
Closing Date 3/14/20 12:00 PM EST

TRIAL SECRETARY
Suzanne Ellis
524 Serata St, Venice, FL 34285
941-488-1953 Email: sotcscentrials@gmail.com



AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB CERTIFICATION Permission has been
granted
by the American Kennel Club for the holding of this event under the
American Kennel Club rules and regulations. Gina DiNardo Secretary.

ENTRIES

PAPER ENTRIES OPEN ON FRIDAY, February 21, 2020 at 9:00 AM EST and should be mailed to the trial secretary. Any paper entries received before February 21, 2020, will be returned. Overnight or certified mail must be sent with the “No Signature Required” waiver signed.

ALL ENTRIES CLOSE ON SATURDAY, March 14, 2020, at 12:00 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.

TWO DAYS, TWO TRIALS, REGISTRATION LIMIT OF 135 ENTRIES PER TRIAL

ENTRY METHOD: FIRST RECEIVED – Paper entries will be entered by hand at least once per week in the order in which they were received until the registration limit is reached. Paper entries with a legible email address will be acknowledged by email.

WAITING LIST INFORMATION – For these trials, Sarasota Obedience Training Club is offering a Waiting List to fill openings created by entries which are withdrawn after the trial’s closing. A maximum of 25 entries per trial will be placed on the Waiting List. All entries, including wait-listed entries, must be received by the Trial Secretary prior to the trial’s closing. If a withdrawn entry is replaced by a wait-listed entry, a full refund will be issued for the withdrawn entry.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 Waiting List into the trial will receive a full refund. Withdrawn entries that are not replaced by a wait-listed entry will not receive a refund.

TRIAL CHAIRPERSON, ASSISTANT CHAIRPERSON & TRIAL SECRETARY

Trial Chairperson: Joan Leopold, 687 Suffolk Cir, Nokomis, FL 34275 vgleopold@aol.com 716-640-2946	Trial Secretary: Suzanne Ellis 524 Serata St, Venice, FL 34285 sotcscentrials@gmail.com 941-488-1953
Assistant Trial Chairperson: Janet Wyatt 7087 Saddle Creek Ln Sarasota, FL 34241	Event Committee Janet Wyatt, Joan Leopold, Luisa Orizio, Alisa Adammo & Rebecca Garcia

ENTRY FEES

First entry – \$25.00 One or more additional entries of the same dog in the same trial – \$20.00
Each entry fee includes a \$3.50 AKC recording fee

CLASSES OFFERED

The following classes are offered on both Saturday, March 28, 2020 and Sunday, March 29, 2020.

Scent Work Novice A & B – Container, Interior, Exterior, Buried
Scent Work Advanced – Container, Interior, Exterior, Buried
Scent Work Excellent – Container, Interior, Exterior, Buried

The A/B Sections: The Novice A class is for beginners. Those dogs who have earned a title in that element (in AKC or in another organization), and those handlers who have worked as professional detection dog handlers must enter the B section. The exhibitor is fully responsible for entering the dog in the correct class (es)/divisions. Failure to do so will result in the cancellation of qualifying scores.

Levels: Dogs that have previously earned the same or higher level AKC Scent Work titles may enter lower level classes. Dogs are eligible to enter up to two (2) difficulty levels in each element, in each trial.

Order of Classes: The order of classes and the judging schedule will be determined after entries have closed and will be sent by email to entrants who have provided a legible email address. Judging begins at 9:00 AM each day.

CLASS TRANSFERS

Any request for a move-up or other class transfer must be in writing and presented to the Trial Secretary at least 30 minutes prior to the start of the trial. The Trial Secretary will have forms available for transfer requests.

SARASOTA OBEDIENCE TRAINING CLUB OFFICERS

President:	Wilma Harris
Vice President:	Joan Leopold
Treasurer:	Suzanne Ellis
Secretary:	Louie Hellard, 4561 Iola Dr, Sarasota, FL 34231
Members at Large:	Wendy Hudson, Fran Lindstrom, Barb Davis

JUDGE ASSIGNMENTS

Natalie Duberow (102352)

Gardenwood Cir, Grant, FL 32949

Saturday March 28, 2020

Sunday, March 29, 2020

Scent Work Novice A & B – Container	Scent Work Novice A & B – Container
Scent Work Novice A & B – Interior	Scent Work Novice A & B – Interior
Scent Work Novice A & B – Exterior	Scent Work Novice A & B – Exterior
Scent Work Novice A & B – Buried	Scent Work Novice A & B – Buried
Scent Work Advanced – Container	Scent Work Advanced – Container
Scent Work Advanced – Interior	Scent Work Advanced – Interior
Scent Work Advanced – Exterior	Scent Work Advanced – Exterior
Scent Work Advanced – Buried	Scent Work Advanced – Buried
Scent Work Excellent – Container	Scent Work Excellent – Container
Scent Work Excellent – Interior	Scent Work Excellent – Interior
Scent Work Excellent – Exterior	Scent Work Excellent - Excellent
Scent Work Excellent – Buried	Scent Work Excellent - Buried

DOGS 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, have Purebred Alternative Listing/Indefinite Listing Privileges (PAL/ILP), are enrolled in the AKC Canine Partners program, or are recorded in the Foundation Stock Service (FSS). Wherever the word “dog” is used herein 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 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.

RIBBONS, AWARDS & PRIZES

Placement ribbons will be awarded in each class as follows:

First Place Blue
 Second Place Red
 Third Place..... Yellow
 Fourth Place..... White
 QualifyingDark Green

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

High-In-Trial awards will be offered for the Novice, Advanced, and Excellent levels. Only teams who participate in all elements offered at a level and who qualify in each are eligible to win a High-In-Trial award. Only one High-In-Trial winner will be chosen per level. There is no separate High-In-Trial award for the Novice A and Novice B sections. The High-In-Trial winner is determined by adding each team's faults across the elements. The team with the fewest faults is the winner. If there is a tie based on faults, then each team's times across the elements will be summed, and the fastest-finishing team will win.

SEARCH AREAS AND WEATHER CONDITIONS

All Container and Interior classes will be inside. All Buried and Exterior classes will take place outdoors. Therefore, handlers should be prepared for all potential weather conditions. Handlers should understand that outdoor searches will be conducted rain or shine, unless dangerous conditions are present (such as lightning or flooding). Closed toed shoes are a requirement due to insurance requirements.

WARM-UP AREA

A warm-up area will be available consisting of one labelled container per target odor being used in the trial on that day and may also consist of blank containers. Exhibitors should limit their warm-up to two minutes or less. The warm-up area is to be used exclusively for warming up the handler-dog team prior their run. The warm-up area is not for training or relieving of the dog.

HANDLER'S BRIEFING

The first Handler's Briefing will take place at 9:00 AM each day with the first dog in that class and element to run immediately thereafter. A Handler's Briefing will take place in view of the search area(s) prior to the start of each class. In the Handler's Briefing, the judge will explain if there is an off-leash option, the search area(s), the number of hides, the maximum height of hides, and the maximum time for the search in that class and element. No dogs may be present during the Handler's Briefing.

TRIAL SITE INFORMATION

Trial Site: It is not appropriate to visit 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.

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. No one outside the search area may assist the handler or disclose the location of the hide. Spectators who intentionally or unintentionally give aid to a team may be asked to leave the area by the judge. Spectators are forbidden to discuss details of the search with handlers who have not run.

Crating space will be available indoors in air conditioning. Any dog left alone in the crating area must be crated. Crates may be left overnight; however, Sarasota Obedience Training Club will not be responsible for any lost or damaged items left at the trial site. No dogs may be left overnight on the grounds of the trial 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. These areas are not for training or relieving of the dog.

Snacks: fruit, cheese/crackers will be available throughout the day.

NOTICES TO EXHIBITORS

Judges are not required to wait for dogs to be brought to the search area when required. The owner/handler of each dog is solely responsible for having their dog ready 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

Possession of Odors and Training: Owner/handlers may not be in possession of any target odor on the grounds of the trial site. There shall be no training on the grounds of the trial site, other than the designated warm-up area.

SAFETY, BEHAVIOR & 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.

Aggressive or Disruptive Behavior: 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 Event Committee, be asked to leave the trial site. In such case, no refund of any fees paid will be made.

Liability: Sarasota Obedience Training Club and its agents, employees, etc., will assume no responsibility 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. SOTC 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 SOTC or any official thereof.

Collars, Leashes and Harnesses: 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 when on trial grounds. 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.

Sarasota Obedience Training Club does not agree to arbitrate claims as set forth on the Official AKC Entry Form for this event.

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 Event Committee.

Withdrawals: For bitches in season pulled after closing, the owner/handler must submit a written or emailed request to receive a refund of entry fees. For dogs pulled after closing due to injury or other medical condition, the owner/handler must submit a written or emailed statement from their vet as to the dog's condition to receive a refund of entry fees. Such withdrawal notifications must be submitted to the Trial Secretary no later than one half hour prior to the start of the first class on the first day the dog is entered in the trial to be eligible for a refund of entry fees. See WAITING LIST INFORMATION above for additional refund information.

DIRECTIONS

SHOW SITE DIRECTIONS: Take I-75 to Exit #217 (State Route 70 East). Go east on State Route 70. Turn left (north) on County Road 675. (just passed Tree-Umph). At the stop sign bear left and SOTC is the red building on your right.

HOTELS

It is recommended that you confirm with hotels as to whether they allow dogs, have any size/weight restrictions, or charge any additional fees.

La Quinta Inn, 5931 Commercial Way, Sarasota, FL 34232, 941-342-8778

Days Inn East (next to Cracker Barrel -- SR 64 & I-75), 644 67th St. Circle, Bradenton, FL 34208, 941-746-2505

CAMPING INFORMATION

Lake Manatee State Park (Approx. 8 miles from SOTC), 2007 SR 64 Bradenton, FL 34212, 941-741-3028 (limited number of camp spaces; need to check re availability and about dogs.) <http://www.floridastateparks.org/lakemanatee>

Sun-N-Fun Resort – Sarasota (Approx. 16 miles from SOTC), Off I-75, exit 210, SR 780 – Fruitville Rd, 800-843-2421 or 941-371-2505 (nice facilities; permits dogs -- has a dog park.) <http://www.sunnfunfl.com>

Exhibitors are expected to follow all hotel rules. All dogs left alone in rooms must be crated. A plastic sheet or other barrier should be placed under crates in rooms. NO GROOMING OR BATHING IN ROOMS. No dogs permitted in hotel recreation areas including swimming pools or any other areas designated as "non-dog" locations.

EMERGENCY SERVICES

Fire, Ambulance, or Police – 911

Veterinarian (On Call)
Bradenton Veterinarian Emergency
2910 Manatee Ave West, Bradenton, FL 34205

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

ENTRY FORMS & CHECKS

Mail Entry Forms & Entry Fees to:

Scent Work Trial Secretary: Suzanne Ellis
524 Serata St, Venice, FL 34285

Make checks payable to SOTC. Returned checks do not constitute a valid entry. The Trial Secretary may add a collection fee of up to \$20.00 to the amount of each returned check.

No entries will be accepted by phone or fax. Express mail entries must include the signature waiver allowing them to be left at the Trial Secretary's address. 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. **To fill out a pdf fillable form to print and send with your entries, go to oaklines.com to sign up for a free account and fill out the form, print and mail with your entries.**

INQUIRIES

Inquiries may be directed to Trial Chairperson Joan Leopold at

valeopold@aol.com

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



SARASOTA OBEDIENCE TRAINING CLUB – SCENT WORK TRIAL

	Saturday 3/28/2020 Event #2020014606	Sunday 3/29/2020 Event #2020014607
Container	<input type="checkbox"/> Novice A <input type="checkbox"/> Advanced <input type="checkbox"/> Novice B <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Novice A <input type="checkbox"/> Advanced <input type="checkbox"/> Novice B <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent
Interior	<input type="checkbox"/> Novice A <input type="checkbox"/> Advanced <input type="checkbox"/> Novice B <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Novice A <input type="checkbox"/> Advanced <input type="checkbox"/> Novice B <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent
Exterior	<input type="checkbox"/> Novice A <input type="checkbox"/> Advanced <input type="checkbox"/> Novice B <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Novice A <input type="checkbox"/> Advanced <input type="checkbox"/> Novice B <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent
Buried	<input type="checkbox"/> Novice A <input type="checkbox"/> Advanced <input type="checkbox"/> Novice B <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Novice A <input type="checkbox"/> Advanced <input type="checkbox"/> Novice B <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent

Entry fees: \$25 – 1st entry per trial / \$20 – Each additional entry, same dog, same trial
Make checks payable to SOTC

I ENCLOSE \$ _____ Submit one form per dog entered.

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
Email Address		Phone	

Signature _____ Date _____

No form will be processed without your signature on this Agreement!

AGREEMENT

I (we) agree that the club holding this event has the right to refuse this entry for cause, which the club shall deem sufficient. 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 there from, 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 persons. 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 its 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. This club does not wish to arbitrate.

INSTRUCTIONS

(Variety) If you are entering a dog of a breed in which there are varieties for show purposes, please designate the particular variety you are entering, i.e. Cocker Spaniel (solid color black, ASCOB, parti-color), Beagles (not exceeding 13 in., over 13 in. but not exceeding 15 in.), Dachshunds (long-haired, smooth, wirehaired), Collies (rough, smooth), Bull Terriers (colored, white), Manchester Terriers (standard, toy), Chihuahuas (smooth coat, long coat), English Toy Spaniels (King Charles and Ruby, Blenheim and Prince Charles), Poodles (toy, miniature, standard).

A dog must be entered in the name of the person who actually owned it at the time entries for a trial closed. If a registered dog has been acquired by a new owner, it must be entered in the name of its new owner in any trial for which entries closed after the date of acquirement, regardless of whether the new owner has received the registration certificate indicating that the dog is recorded in his/her name. State on entry form whether transfer application has been mailed to AKC. (For complete rules, refer to Chapter 11, Section 3.)

JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP

If this entry is for Junior Showmanship, please give the following information:

JUNIOR'S DATE OF BIRTH _____

AKC JUNIOR HANDLER NUMBER _____

The above number **MUST** be included. Should you not have your Junior Handler number **this may be obtained from the American Kennel Club. Phone: (919) 816-3776.**

By signing the entry form I (we) certify that the Junior Showman does not now, and will not at any time, act as an agent/handler for pay while continuing to compete in Junior Showmanship.

NAME _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

EMAIL _____