TRENTON KENNEL CLUB AKC MEMBER CLUB FAST COURSING ABILITY TEST AKC All-Breed



## May 3-4-5, 2024

#### 6 FastCAT Tests

- Friday May 3, 2024 –
- Event #s 2024142006 | 2024142007
- Saturday May 4, 2024 –
  Sunday May 5, 2024 –
- Event #s 2024142012 | 2024142013 Event #s 2024142008 | 2043142009

Each Test Limited to 75 entries | Late / Day Of Entries space permitting

Pre-Entries open MONDAY FEBRUARY 26, 2023 at 8:00am Pre-Entries close MONDAY APRIL 22, 2024 at 6:00pm at the Secretary's address or <u>when run limits are reached</u> | A waitlist will be established <u>Late Entries space permitting.</u>

Entries accepted electronically or by mail. Electronic Entry & Payments here: [www.fastcatevents.com] \*entries / payments received before 8am 2/26/24 will be canceled\*

# **DRAG LURE**

Tests will run CONCURRENTLY each day using a BLOCK SCHEDULE.

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Officers and Members of Trenton Kennel Club

Lizz Molloy PO Box 70218

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Lead the Hounds

Test Chair

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Staten Island NY 10307

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**Test Secretary** 

Lure Operator

Photographer

Mark Baer Photography www.mlbaer.com

Natural Grass Surface | Fenced Course | Minimum 30yd Run Out Tests will run CONCURRENTLY each day using a BLOCK SCHEDULE. Tags on collars should be removed or secured to the collar. No electric collars, prong collars, or flexi leads allowed. Closed-toed shoes only.

> Test Location: Mercer County Park GPS Address - 1678 Old Trenton Rd West Windsor, NJ 08550



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 M. DINARDO, Executive Secretary

#### **IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

**Pre-Entry Fee:** \$26 per entry per dog per test\*

Late / Waitlist (space & conditions permitting): \$31 per entry per dog per test\* After closing see <u>www.fastcatevents.com</u> or contact Secretary for availability

(Entry fee includes \$3.50 AKC recording fee) \*electronic entries have processing fees applied, processing fees are not refunded

#### Pre-Entries close Monday April 22, 2024 at 6:00pm

After closing, refunds are only given for bitches in season and dogs unfit to participate. In this case contact Secretary PRIOR TO THE ENTERED TEST/S. THERE ARE NO REFUNDS FOR ABSENT DOGS OR IF SECRETARY IS NOT INFORMED PRIOR TO THE

#### ENTERED TESTS FOR BITCHES IN SEASON, OR ILL/UNFIT DOGS

Early, incomplete, unsigned, conditional, or unpaid entries will not be accepted.

You may withdraw your entry PRIOR TO CLOSING and your entry will be refunded, less a \$4.00 per entry fee.

AFTER PRE-ENTRY CLOSING YOU MAY WITHDRAW YOUR ENTRY ONLY IF YOUR SPACE CAN BE FILLED FROM THE WAITLIST –

#### THERE IS A \$5/ENTRY FEE FOR WITHDRAWAL AFTER CLOSING

Bitches in season and dogs unfit to participate will have their entry refunded, less any online processing fees.

All eligible refunds will be processed after the conclusion of all the tests. Entries paid by check can take up to 30 days to refund.

THERE ARE NO REFUNDS FOR ABSENT DOGS OR BITCHES IN SEASON / UNFIT DOGS IF SECRETARY IS NOT INFORMED PRIOR TO THE TEST DATE.

Each "test" is a separate event – you may enter up to two tests per day – For example, you can enter Test #1 AND Test #2 on one day and both runs will be assigned to the same block of time. Dogs entering ONLY ONE test on a single day may be assigned after closing to either Test #1 or Test #2 to balance entry numbers - it will not impact run time

For Mail entries, make checks payable to KEYRAK DOG CLUB and send to:

TKC FastCAT - c/o Lizz Molloy - KDC

PO Box 70218

Staten Island, NY 10307

#### Please use separate checks for TKC & BCKC entries

#### ENTRIES OPEN 8am Monday February 26, 2024

overnight / priority entries by USPS only, waive signatures, no certified mail <u>Entry checks will be deposited upon receipt</u>. There is a \$50 fee for returned checks. Please confirm "pay to" information is correct, entries will not be recorded without proper payment

#### <u>Prizes</u>

The Club will offer a flat light blue ribbon for a qualifying run.

The Club will also offer Rosettes for new titles – please alert the Secretary if you expect to complete a title at this event.

#### These will be CONCURRENT Tests using a BLOCK SCHEDULE.

NO RUN ORDER will be mailed out, a time block will be assigned. An email explaining the process will be sent out prior to the event We will use the Remind App to keep participants informed during the event – After 5/1 click here: <u>https://www.remind.com/join/fcat2024</u> or text @fcat2024 to

81010 to sign up – this is the only way to be informed during the event. After closing run block assignments and important "day of" information will be emailed to participants – the same information will also be posted here <u>https://www.fastcatevents.com/day-of-event-information</u>

#### **ROLL CALL**

Events will run <u>concurrently</u> with rolling check-in and inspection. Plan to arrive at least 30 minutes prior to your scheduled run block. This is a "show & go" event, we ask that you depart the site when you have completed all your runs unless you are available to assist other entrants.

Every dog must pass through inspection before <u>each</u> run. Dogs who have not been inspected for *each* run will not be run. If you do not check in by the start of the last run block, we will assume you are absent.

<u>No REFUNDS FOR ABSENT DOGS</u>. At inspection, all dogs will be examined for fitness to run. <u>Bitches known to be in season are not to be brought to the test</u>. Please contact the Test Secretary if your bitch comes in season prior to the event.

<u>At inspection</u>, bitches in season, lame and unfit dogs will be excused with entry refunded, less any processing/convenience fees.

Early acceptance of dogs for members of the field committee may begin one-half hour prior to published test hours.

#### What is the Fast CAT?

1. Fast CAT is a timed straight 100-yard dash for dogs.

2. Dogs are held at the start line and the coursing lure is activated prompting the dog to follow chasing it to the finish line and into a catch pen. The course is completely fenced, and dogs are run individually.

3. Dogs are timed when they complete the 100-yard dash. The time is converted to Miles Per Hour (MPH). MPH is calculated by

#### 204.545 divided by the run time (204.545/x=MPH)

4. Based on the dog's size at the withers a handicap is applied and points are earned:

- 18" or greater = Handicap is 1.0
- 12" up to less than 18" = Handicap is 1.5.
- Under 12" = Handicap is 2.0.

#### 5. FORMULA: MPH X HANDICAP = POINTS

6. Titles are earned at specific point levels

BCAT = 150 points, DCAT = 500 points, FCAT = 1,000 points FCAT# = Each additional 500 points

#### \*ACCORDING TO AKC RULES:

- Handlers in FastCAT are not permitted to <u>travel</u> down the 100-yard course <u>during</u> <u>a dog's</u> run <u>or just prior to a dog being released for its run</u>.
- It is recommended that an owner or someone familiar with the dog stand at the finish in order to catch the dog once the course has been completed. <u>A handler cannot recall their dog from the start line.</u>
- Dogs that are physically challenged due to loss of limbs are eligible to enter...For safety purposes, any dog requiring an assistance apparatus, such as a wheeled cart will not be allowed to participate.
- Dogs with artificial coloring in their coats may participate in FastCAT. The coloring must not cover more than one-third of the dog's coat. The coloring must not disperse (leave a cloud) when the dog is running...
- Handlers are not to allow dogs to be enticed through the course with anything other than the lure during its official run. NO mechanical devices including whistles, horns, bull horns, etc. or food or toys including the waving of objects to lure the dog to the finish line. You MAY CHEER and use the dog's name only.
- Head halters, such as the Gentle Leader or Halti, may be used on the grounds but must not be worn while running the course. Dogs may be muzzled at the owner's discretion...Special Training devices that are used to control and train dogs, including but not limited to, collars with prongs, electronic training devices may not be used on dogs at AKC events.
- This is not the complete list of FastCAT regulations full regulations may be found at <a href="https://images.akc.org/pdf/rulebooks/AKC1812-REFCAT.pdf">https://images.akc.org/pdf/rulebooks/AKC1812-REFCAT.pdf</a>

#### **Test Site Directions:**

#### **Mercer County Park**

#### GPS Address: 1678 Old Trenton Rd | West Windsor, NJ 08550

Once at Mercer County Park Follow Signs

#### <u>Hours</u>

Grounds will be available one hour prior to event hours. Event hours are from 8:00AM until all runs are completed. It is the responsibility of each entrant to be ready with catcher and releaser when their dog is called to the line.

#### Area Accommodations:

Red Roof Inn – 609-896-3388	3203 Rt 1, Lawrenceville NJ		
Sonesta ES Suites - 732-329-9600	16 Deerpark Dr, Monmouth Junction NJ		
Sonesta Hotel – 609-951-0009 4375 US 1 South, Princeton NJ			
Also check out www.bringfido.com for more pet friendly listings.			

#### Veterinary Services

(24 hr) North Star Veterinary - (609) 259-8300 315 Robbinsville-Allentown Rd | Robbinsville NJ

Edinburg Animal Hospital – (609) 443-1212 / (609) 275-1212 1676 Old Trenton Rd, West Windsor NJ

#### FUN RUNS:

Fun Runs are **<u>non-official</u>** "practice" runs that are offered – **WEATHER AND TIME PERMITTING AT THE DISCRETION OF THE CLUB and LURE OPERATOR** – after the completion of the official runs on Saturday.

There are no Fun Runs on Sundays.

SIGN UP FOR FUN RUNS AT THIS EVENT CAN BE ONLINE OR ON-SITE DAY OF.

In the event the fun runs are not held/completed based on the Club's decision, fun run fees will be refunded in full.

There are NO refunds for missed fun runs; you may sell/give away your fun run.

After 5/1 click here: <u>https://www.remind.com/join/fcat2024</u> or text @fcat2024 to 81010 to sign up

#### **Test Information**

- All entries must be 12 months of age or older on the day of the test.
- Each dog requires an individual entry form for each event in which it is entered.
- ALL DOGS RUN AT OWNER'S SOLE RISK
- Dogs should be warmed up before and cooled down after running.
- The show grounds may not be completely fenced. The CAT course will be fenced.
- Dogs must be on lead or crated unless running.
- A \$5 fine will be assessed for any loose dog on the field not competing, or an exhibitor caught not picking up after their dog.
- You are responsible for controlling your dog(s) and children.
- Port-potty facilities are available.
- The Hunt master is responsible for field safety and therefore he/she is in complete charge of all dogs and handlers on the field. He/She has the authority to stop the lure in any potentially dangerous situation and signal the handler to retrieve the dog on the course.
- Bitches in season and lame dogs (determined unfit at inspection) will be excused and their entry fees will be refunded. No refunds for absent dogs.
- All AKC rules regarding sportsmanship and conduct apply.
- Persons exhibiting conduct detrimental to the AKC / sponsoring Club(s) / dog(s) or person(s) will be asked to leave the event site by the Field Committee, maybe disciplined by the AKC, and entry fees will not be refunded.
- No entry fees will be refunded if the event cannot be started or completed by reason of riots, civil disturbances, fire, extreme and/or dangerous weather conditions, an act of God, public emergency, act of a public enemy, strikes or any other cause beyond the control of the Club.
- Trenton Kennel Club, its agents, members, representatives, volunteers, etc., assume no liability or responsibility for any loss, damage or injury sustained by exhibitors, handlers, or to any of their dogs or property and further assumes no responsibility for injury to children or spectators before, during, or after this event.
- <u>This is a rain-or-shine outdoor event</u>. Please plan accordingly. Please bring your own shade and chairs.
- Food Vendors will be available on the main show grounds
- After closing, entries may only be changed if they were recorded incorrectly.
- There are no refunds for absent dogs. Refunds are only given to bitches in season and dogs determined unfit to participate at inspection at the test.

Dogs who wish to participate in FastCAT must be either an AKC-registered dog or part of the AKC Canine Partners program. Canine Partners is for mixed breeds or dogs who are otherwise ineligible for AKC registration.

Owners can submit a reduced-fee enrollment for the Canine Partners program along with their entry for this event using the form provided.

Canine Partner enrollment can also be done online to receive a number immediately at

#### https://www.akc.org/register/information/canine-partners/enroll/

Please take note if enrolling along with an entry that the payment for the Canine Partner enrollment is paid to the American Kennel Club, **not the event-sponsoring Club**.



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(For Club Use Only)

**Enrollment Application** 

Exp. Date

Owner Name:			
Address:			_
City:	State:	Zip	
Phone:	Alternate Ph	one:	
Email:			-

#### Dogs must be Spayed or Neutered

Dog Name:					Sex: Male 🛛 Female 🗆		
Dog Date of Birth (Month/Day/Year):			/Day/Year)	):	Date Dog Joined Your Family:		
Breed 1:					Breed 2 (if applicable):		
Color:					Markings:		
Black 🗆	Orang	je 🗆	Gray		Brindle 🗆 Merle 🗆		
Blue 🗆	Red		White		Speckled 🗆 Spotted 🗆		
Brown 🗆	Tan		Tri Color		Parti-color 🗆 Solid 🛛		
Yellow 🗆					an hanna annanan h a na manan a h		

#### Three ways to pay!

Submit this completed enrollment form, along with your \$19.00 payment, to your Event Organizer. Payment for Canine Partners enrollment must be separate from event fees for competition.

□ Credit Card (be sure to complete the Credit Card authorization below)

Cash
 Check (make checks payable to American Kennel Club)

/isa 🗆	MasterCard 🗆 American Express 🗆	Discover 🗆
Accoun	t Number (no dashes)	



Printed Name of Cardholder:\_

DRAG AMERICAN KENN				
Entries	open 2/26/24 at 8			
<b>ENTRIES RECEIVED EARLY/ INCOMPLETE WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.</b> Entries close 6pm on Monday April 22, 2024 or when entry limit is reached.				
Please select one				
you can enter EITHER just				
Friday May 3, 2024 [] Test #1		1 2		
Saturday May 4, 2024 [ ] Test #1	#2024142000	$\begin{array}{c}   1est \#2 \\   Test \#2 \\ \#2024142013 \\ \\ \#2024142013 \\ \end{array}$		
Sunday May 4, 2024 [ ] Test #1	-	-		
Pre-Entry Fees 1/\$26				
		\$104 5/\$150 0/\$150 /\$124 5/\$155 6/\$186		
IMPORTANT: FILL OUT ALL BOXES!		or pre-paid entries or amount enclosed		
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Club:	Date: May 3-4-5,	2024		
Trenton Kennel Club	-			
Location:	Event type:	DOG HEIGHT at withers		
Mercer County Park	🖾 Fast CAT	Check one $\Box$ under 12" $\Box$ 12" – under 18"		
GPS Address - 1678 Old Trenton Rd		$\Box$ 12 – under 18 $\Box$ 18"& above		
West Windsor, NJ 08550				
Class: 🖾 FAST CAT				
Breed:		Sex: Date of Birth:		
□ AKC Registration #. □ PAL/ILP Registration # □ Canine Partner Registration #				
Full Name of Dog:		Call Name:		
Actual Owner(s):				
Owner's Address:				
Owner's Address:				
City: Stat	te:	Zip:		
I am entering multiple dogs I am enter	ring BUCKS COUN	TY FastCAT		
I am entering CONFORMATION or RALLY				
Please make any requests for run block time here (requests will be accommodated f possible, but not guaranteed)				
Will you be earning a title? Circle BCAT	DCAT I	FCAT FCAT #		
OPTIONAL INFORMATION:				
This is my first FastCAT event / I am still	ll new to FastCAT			
I may need help to catch/release				
Check Here if Junior Handler – include name / ha	andler DOB / and Junio	r Handler number (if available)		
JH numbers can be obtained at akc.org/sports/junio	rs – forms will also be	available at the test		

### \*Make All Checks Payable to Keyrak Dog Club\*

#### Mail Entries to; TKC FastCAT C/O Lizz Molloy / KDC PO Box 70218, Staten Island, NY 10307

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 above. 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. Inconsideration 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 inconsequence 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 PURSU- ANT TO THE APPLICABLE RULES OF THE AMERICAN ARBITRATION ASSOCIATION. HOWEVER, PRIOR TO ARBITRATION ALL APPLICABLE AKC BYLAWS, RULES, REGULATIONSAND PROCEDURES MUST FIRST BE FOLLOWED AS SET FORTH IN THE AKC CHARTERAND BYLAWS, RULES, REGULATIONS, PUBLISHED POLICIES AND GUIDELINES.

Signature of Owner or his Agent duly authorized to make the entry:

E-mail Address [PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY; CONFIRMATIONS ARE ONLY SENT VIA EMAIL]:

#### **Telephone**:

By signing above, I acknowledge that the host club is not a liable party, including Covid related issues.