

VST Event #2026744607

VARIABLE SURFACE TRACKING TEST

PREMIUM LIST

ON TRACK AGILITY CLUB OF MAINE

Sunday, May 31, 2026

Test Headquarters

Viles Arboretum

153 Hospital Street, Augusta, ME

Drawing for Tracks at 9:45 am

Entries Limited to 5 VST

Entry Fee: \$150

**OPEN TO AKC LICENSED BREEDS
AND ALL AMERICAN DOGS**

Dogs must be 6 months of age or older

ENTRIES CLOSE: Thursday May 21, 2026, AT 5:00 PM EDT

at the home of the Test Secretary, after which entries cannot be accepted, canceled, or substituted. Changes, additions, or corrections to entry forms must be received in writing prior to the close of entries.

Make Checks payable to OTAC

Mail entries to Test Secretary:

Kathy Duhnoski

252 Jones Rd, Somerville, ME 04348



AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB CERTIFICATION

Permission has been granted by the AKC for holding this
Tracking Dog Test under AKC Rules and Regulations.

Sheila Goffe, Secretary

Judges

Carol Ruthenberg, 828 N Front St., Monticello, IL 61856
Tom Hacholski, 2 PK Central, Rockwall, TX 75087

Make sure to clean up after your dog

Dogs must be on leash at all times at the tracking sites.

No dogs are allowed on the athletic field side of Piggery Road.

Tracking Committee

Chairperson: Linda Ringeisen, 40 Miller Cemetery Rd.,
Appleton ME 04862-7427 207-790-0805

Test Secretary: Kathy Duhnoski, 252 Jones Rd.,
Somerville, ME 04348 207-691-2332
kduhnoski@myfairpoint.net

Committee Members: Paula Titon, Jean Tibbetts, Eva
McGuire, Marianne Quinn, Lee Ohmart and the On
Track Agility Club of Maine members present.

ON TRACK AGILITY CLUB OF MAINE Officers and Board Members

President: Marianne Quinn
Vice President: Eva McGuire
Secretary/Treasurer: Kathy Duhnoski
Board Members: Carolyn Fuhrer, Judy Moore

A worker draw will be used for this test in accordance with the parameters set forth in Ch. 1, Sec. 17d of the Tracking Regulations and as determined by the Board of Directors.

Will be held at test headquarters at The Viles Arboretum, 153 Hospital Street, Augusta, ME.

First VST track will run after the draw when the first track is ready.

The judges will plot an alternate track and use it as a titling track if it is available and the test has an alternate present.

Exhibitors should be aware that a gallery will be encouraged to observe and follow along on the tracks at a respectful distance from the dog/handler team to enjoy the experience of an AKC tracking test.

Directions

Traveling NORTH on I-95: Take Exit 113 to Route 3 East (1st Exit off Circle) Turn left and cross the bridge. Turn right at the second light (Riverside Drive). Go 4.5 miles. Viles Arboretum is on the left.

Traveling SOUTH on I-295: Take Exit 49 (Route 201) Turn right onto Route 201 towards Gardiner. Stay on 201 through Gardiner to bridge (4.5 miles). Cross the bridge. Take a left on to Route 9E (Water St.) Go 5 miles. Viles Arboretum is on the right.

Waiver of Liability

OTAC, the test secretary, test committee, etc. assume no responsibility for loss, damage or injury sustained by spectators, exhibitors, and exhibitors' property and dogs and further assumes no responsibility for injury to children.

Drawing for All Tracks at 9:45 AM EDT

**Drawing for Entries into VST Test
5 pm on May 21, 2026 at
252 Jones Road, Somerville, ME 04348**

In accordance with Chapter 1 Section 17 of the AKC Tracking Regulations, a drawing to fill entry limits will be held at 252 Jones Rd, Somerville, ME. This drawing is open to all interested persons. **The drawing shall be random among all entries received except that priority will be given to dogs that have not previously earned a VST title.** Alternates will be given the option to accept or decline being placed on the alternates list. Those who accept will be placed on the alternates list in the order in which they were drawn. Those who opt to decline will have their entry fees returned. **Entrants and alternates who do not run in a test but are replaced by alternates who run in the test will have full entry fees returned.** Following the draw, the test secretary will attempt to contact all entrants and advise them of the outcome within 48 hours. E-mail and telephone inquiries are welcomed. In the event an accepted entry is absent on the day of the test, the first alternate entry present according to the order in which they were drawn shall assume the vacant position.

No entries will be accepted which require a signature for delivery. Entries will not be accepted without fee. Returned checks do not constitute a valid entry fee. The Test Secretary will add the fee charged by the bank to the amount of each returned check. Faxed, telephone, E-mail, and unsigned entries cannot be accepted. Entries not on an official AKC form and photocopies of entry forms without the Agreement and Rules on the reverse side of the official AKC entry forms are not acceptable. No refunds for duplicate entries or errors on entry blanks. Owners are responsible for errors in filling out entry forms and no entry fee will be refunded in event of such errors or cancellation of entries after the published closing date.

Bitches in season may participate in this test in accordance with Chapter 2, Section 8 of the AKC Tracking Regulations. Entry fees shall not be refunded in the event that a dog is absent, disqualified, excused by the Judges or barred from competition by action of the Tracking Committee. If because of riots, civil disturbances, or acts beyond control of OTAC and/or the Tracking Committee it is impossible to open or to complete the test, no refund of entry fee will be made.

Exhibitors should follow their veterinarians' recommendations to ensure their dogs are free of internal and external parasites and any communicable disease and have appropriate vaccinations.

Trophies

**On Track Agility Club of Maine will offer a rosette to all passing teams. A Champion Tracker rosette will be awarded to anyone achieving their CT title.
A New Title Rosette to all passing teams.**

**A picture frame will be awarded to anyone achieving their VST title at this test
in memory of Leland Perry who loved tracking with his dogs to earn that "elusive VST"
Offered by Carolyn Fuhrer and Kathy Duhnoski**

**A Rosette to any dog earning a VCD at this test.
Offered by A Friend of OTAC.**

Hotels/Motels

Please contact motels for their most recent pet policies
Comfort Inn, 281 Civic Center Drive, Augusta, ME 207-623-1000
Best Western Plus Civic Center Inn, 110 Community Drive, Augusta ME 207-622-4751
Days Inn By Wyndham, 18 Edison Drive, Augusta, ME 207-599-1839
Senator Inn & Spa, 284 Western Ave, Augusta, ME 207-622-5804

Emergency Rescue: Dial 911

Nearest Emergency Animal Clinic: (207) 777-1110

Animal Emergency Clinic of Mid-Maine
37 Strawberry Avenue, Lewiston, ME 04240
207-777-1110

Directions: North on Hospital St. toward Arsenal St. Follow ME-9. Enter next roundabout and take 4th exit onto US-202 W/US 201S/ME100/ME-17. Go 0.77 mi and take the 2nd exit onto US-202 W/ME-100/ME-11. Then go 28.73 miles. Turn onto Strawberry Ave. Dunkin' Donuts on corner. Then 0.16 miles. 37 Strawberry Ave. is on the right.

OFFICIAL AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB ENTRY FORM
On Track Agility Club of Maine
VARIABLE SURFACE TRACKING TEST Event No. 2026744607
Sunday, May 31, 2026

Viles Arboretum Augusta, ME
ENTRY FEE \$150.00 (includes AKC recording and event service fees)
ENTRIES CLOSE THURSDAY, May 21, 2026, 5:00 PM EDT
MAIL ENTRIES WITH FEE(S) PAYABLE TO OTAC TO
 Kathy Duhnoski, Test Secretary
 252 Jones Rd., Somerville, ME 04348

AKC Rules, Regulations, Policies and Guidelines are available on the American Kennel Club Web site, www.akc.org

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 lesser 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.**

INSTRUCTIONS

- (Variety) if you are entering a dog of 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 (longhaired, 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).
- The following categories of dogs may be entered and shown in Best of Breed competition: Dogs that are Champions of Record and dogs which, according to their owners' records, have completed the requirements for a championship, but whose championships are unconfirmed. The showing of unconfirmed Champions in Best of Breed competition is limited to a period of 90 days from the date of the show where the dog completed the requirements for a championship.
- (Event Class) Consult the classification in this premium list. If the event class in which you are entering your dog is divided, then, in addition to designating the class, specify the particular division of the class in which you are entering your dog, i.e. age division, color division, weight division.
- A dog must be entered in the name of the person who actually owned it at the time entries for an event 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 event 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 name. State on entry form whether transfer application has been mailed to the AKC. (For complete rules, refer to Chapter 11, Section 3.)

BREED		VARIETY (1)	SEX
<input type="checkbox"/> All-American			
ADDITIONAL CLASSES	CLASS	RALLY CLASS	JUMP HEIGHT
	VST		
NAME OF (See Back) JUNIOR HANDLER (If any)		JR HANDLER NUMBER	
FULL NAME OF DOG (AKC titles only)			
<input type="checkbox"/> AKC REG. NO. <input type="checkbox"/> AKC LITTER NO. <input type="checkbox"/> ILP/PAL NO. <input type="checkbox"/> AKC CANINE PARTNERS LISTING # <input type="checkbox"/> FOREIGN REG.# & COUNTRY		DATE OF BIRTH <hr/> PLACE OF BIRTH Do not print the above in catalog	
BREEDER			
SIRE			
DAM			

ACTUAL OWNER (S) _____
(Please Print)

OWNER'S ADDRESS _____

CITY, STATE, ZIP +4 _____

NAME OF OWNER'S AGENT (IF ANY) AT THE SHOW _____

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 by any additional rules and regulations appearing in the premium list for this event, and further agree to be bound by the "Agreement" printed on the reverse side of this entry form. I (we) certify and represent that the dog entered is not a hazard to persons or other dogs. This entry is submitted for acceptance on the foregoing representation and agreement. I (we) agree to conduct myself (ourselves) in accordance with all such Rules and Regulations (including all provisions applying to discipline) and to abide by any decisions made in accord with them.

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

EMAIL _____

TELEPHONE# _____

If this entry is for Jr. Showmanship, please give the following information:
 JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP _____ JR.'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.

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____ If Jr Handler is not the owner of the dog identified on the face of this form, what is the relationship of the Jr. Handler to the owner?