

PREMIUM LIST for licensed events:
Fast CAT Invitational, Open Fast CATs, CATs & Star-Spangled FIT DOG Walk

The Fast CAT Invitational is by invitation only and held in accordance with the AKC Fast CAT Regulations.

American Kennel Club *7th Annual*
FAST CAT INVITATIONAL
www.akc.org/akcfastcatinvitational



Friday, September 18 to Monday, September 21
Event #: 2026277109

2-Open Fast CATs will be held 9/17/26, see page 22
FIT DOG Walks will be held 9/18-9/20, see page 28
6-CAT events will be held 9/18-9/20, see page 32

Sycamore Creek Family Ranch
2657 Sunset Inn Road
Branson, Missouri 65616

Fast CAT Invitational ENTRY OPENS:
Friday, July 24, 2026 at 9:00AM
(Eastern Standard Time)

Fast CAT Invitational ENTRY CLOSES:
Friday, August 14, 2026 at 9:00PM
(Eastern Standard Time)



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

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262-510-1861 or 919-816-3340
akcfastcatinvitational@akc.org

8051 Arco Corporate Drive/Ste 100, Raleigh, NC 27617

LURE OPERATORS – FAST CAT INVITATIONAL

Jeff Dart and Aline Denges

Other lure operators may be added.

ELIGIBILITY TO ENTER

The qualifying period for the Fast CAT Invitational is Jan. 1 to Dec. 31 of the previous year.

The top 10 dogs in each breed, including ties, published in the official online invite list found on the AKC Fast CAT Invitational webpage are eligible to participate and are invited to attend. Anyone owning or handling a qualified dog published in the official invite list may use the online or paper entry form to enter anytime entries open. **Remember this is an invitational event and all dogs invited already earned their spot to attend and will run, so long as they enter before the deadline.

Qualified dogs are based on the [Fast Cat Top 20 Fastest Dogs By Breeds](#) (this includes breeds with less than 10 top dogs or breeds with more than 10 top dogs due to ties) and published in the official online invite list. The Top 20 Fastest Dogs By Breed ranking reflects the average of each dog's three fastest runs. Breeds not appearing in the rankings do not have any dogs that completed 3 Fast CAT runs in 2025. (*Please also see "Breed Splits" in the next section for additional dogs to be invited.) Depending on the number of declines received, AKC reserves the right to offer and announce a second round of invitations beyond the 10th place to ensure breeds are represented. AKC also reserves the right to change daily event scheduling, cancel or reschedule any events during Fast CAT Invitational week should circumstances arise.

Should a change in registration status take place which precludes a dog from remaining on the published invite list, the next ranked dog will be invited provided entries have not closed. Examples of why a change in registration status can occur are - deemed impure, involved in a case, disqualified, etc.

The AKC reserves the right to extend an invitation to attend when in the opinion of the Event Committee there exists extenuating and unusual circumstances which prevented attendance at the previous year's Invitational event and upon doing so any times recorded at the current invitational event may not be counted toward the current year's rankings.

The Event Committee of an AKC hosted major event shall have the authority to decide upon any matters arising which is not already specifically addressed in the Fast CAT/CAT Regulations. This includes matters related to the event that may occur before, during or after the event. Should a situation arise where the application of a Regulation is open for interpretation, the Event Committee shall decide how it will be handled.

Invitations are emailed to the primary owner's email address as recorded on the dog's registration. It is the responsibility of the primary owner to be sure they have the correct email address on file with AKC in advance. To check or update an email address, please send your request to: akcfastcatinvitational@akc.org or call 919-816-3340. It is the responsibility of the primary owner to contact AKC if they did not receive their invitation and would like to have it resent or sent to a different email address prior to the entry deadline. Undelivered, unreceived or unread invitations do not prevent an entry from being submitted for a qualified dog by the deadline. As long as a dog is published in the online invite list and entries have opened, the dog can be entered. If you did not receive your invite please, contact us and we will resend it.

Any entry/eligibility questions can be sent to: akcfastcatinvitational@akc.org or call 919-816-3340

BREED SPLITS

The following breeds have been split by height. (Height classes: under 12", 12" up to less than 18", 18" or over). Top 10 dogs in each height category of these breeds are invited to attend. – **All American, American Eskimo, Beagle, Dachshund, Manchester Terrier, Peruvian Inca Orchid, Poodle, Portuguese Podengo, Rat Terrier, Xoloitzcuintli.**

ENTRY INFO

Entries Open Friday, July 24, 2026 @ 9:00AM (EST)

Entries Close Friday, August 14, 2026 @ 9:00PM (EST)

The **entry fee of \$175** includes all days of the Invitational. Qualified runs completed by dogs during the preliminary rounds and final will count towards titles

Entry fees shall be fixed by the host club and shall be forfeited by the owner or agent in such cases where dogs are scratched from the field except as follows:

1. Dogs determined to be lame or unfit to participate by the Inspection Committee, owner or agent at the time of roll call or upon previous notification by the owner or agent. These dogs shall be barred from participating and their entry fees shall be refunded in full.
2. Bitches in season may not participate, or bitches which come in season after the close of entries, shall be barred from participating in the test and their entry fees shall be refunded in full. Notification to the Secretary of bitches in season, must be made before or during the roll call. A note from a veterinarian is not required. Bitches known to be in season shall not be brought onto the test grounds.

Entries withdrawn prior to closing will be refunded. The Event Committee has the responsibility to determine refunds in unusual situations.

The owner or handler entering a dog in a CAT or Fast CAT event does so at their own risk. Owners and handlers of dogs entered agree to assume responsibility for any damage to facilities or persons, or dogs caused by him or her or by his or her dog(s). They also agree to abide by the rules, regulations and policies of The American Kennel Club and the CAT and Fast CAT Regulations.

TO COMPLETE YOUR ENTRY ONLINE

Go to the events page link published on:

www.akc.org/akcfastcatinvitational

Upon submitting your online entry you will receive a green checkmark with a thank you message – that confirms your entry. An email notification summarizing the info in your entry will also be emailed to you.

MAIL IN – PAPER ENTRY INFO

If by check, please make payable to "AKC". Paper entry forms can be mailed with the \$175 entry fee to:

**American Kennel Club
Attn: Caroline Murphy – Performance Events
8051 Arco Corporate Drive / Suite 100
Raleigh, NC 27617**

No entries will be accepted by phone, fax or hand delivery. UPS and FedEx mail may be sent to the Event Secretary's address above. Express mailed entries must include the signature waiver allowing them to be left at the Secretary's address without a signature being required. It is the exhibitor's sole responsibility to assure their entry is delivered by the closing date and time. Illegible entries will not be processed and will be returned to the exhibitor. Returned checks do not constitute a valid entry. A twenty-five (\$25) dollar collection fee will be added to the amount of each returned check. Exhibitors may only submit paper entries using the Official AKC Fast CAT Invitational Entry Form provided with their invitation, or in this premium list or the downloadable PDF file published on the event website. Please do not submit pre-filled, generic entry forms; your entry will not be accepted. *Returned or postdated checks or declined credit cards do not constitute a valid entry.*

ADDITIONAL INFO NEEDED AT TIME OF ENTRY

T-Shirt Size - All Fast CAT Invitational exhibitors will receive a free official t-shirt offered in unisex adult sizes. One t-shirt per dog entered. A t-shirt size must be submitted with entry. The size ordered is the size that will be waiting when exhibitors arrive at check-in. Additional t-shirts, will be available for purchase on the grounds starting at \$35/each.

Titling Rosettes – All Fast CAT Invitational exhibitors should tell us at the time of entry if their dog is likely to earn a Fast CAT title while at the Invitational so they can receive their complimentary title rosette. The number of titling rosettes on hand will be based on the information provided on the entry form. All runs – both preliminary and final will count towards titles. Please note the number of titling ribbons ordered is based on this count so please try to be as accurate as possible. A small reserve of extras will be ordered in case of inaccurate counts provided on entries. Should there be any shortage of title ribbons, one will be mailed following the event.

Fast CAT Titling Structure - Titles are earned by accumulating points. The following titles will be awarded: BCAT = 150 points DCAT = 500 points FCAT = 1,000 points FCAT# = for every additional 500 points earned after earning an FCAT title a number will follow. (e.g. FCAT2) These suffix titles will appear on a dog's pedigree, with a higher-level title superseding a lower-level title. Titles must be earned in order.

Fast CAT Invitational - CHECK-IN

Exhibitors are to check-in at the secretary table located under the big tent on the first day their dog is scheduled to run. The specific morning start time will be announced online after entries close. Likely it will be at 8AM. During check-in, entry information will be confirmed and exhibitors will receive their souvenir bag including their T-shirt in the size ordered. Supplies are limited and based on what participants requested. Once an exhibitor has checked-in they do not have to check in again at the Secretary Table for this event. However, prior to each run every dog must go through the inspection station.

Fast CAT Invitational - ASSIGNED RUN TIMES & INSPECTION

Dogs will be run alphabetically by breed name and may be alternated by starting with A or Z as the days progress. Exact running order will be announced ahead of time. If temperatures should be unusually warm for this location and time of year, brachycephalic breeds may be run first each morning. AKC reserves the right to change this order and notify entrants. After entries close a list of the running order by breed per day and per track will be available online. The same dog will not exceed more than 2 runs in a given day. Participants are responsible for knowing their breed's run time and to be waiting to run in the queue outside the course after having passed through the roll call / inspection station.

Handlers should report to the roll call station 30 minutes prior to their breed's run time. Not all breeds will run the same days. Owners/Handlers must understand desired run times are not always possible. Please note - dogs must adhere to their assigned run time for their breed during the Final so that Best of Breed can be awarded following each breed's run.

A text message sign up is now available to participants so they can get the latest news and updates via a text message sent to their phone. Participants are encouraged to sign up for text message alerts to learn when the Fast CAT Invitational webpage, www.akc.org/akcfastcatinvitational has been updated which will show the latest info such as - running order, run times, latest results and report of dogs advancing to the Final, etc.

COMPETITION FORMAT

This event will be held outdoors using a drag lure system with electronic timers on two separate tracks. The lure will be a white plastic bag. Exhibitors are not to bring their own lure and will not be given individual lures. Releasers and catchers will be available to help participants. The next page shows the general scheduling for each day. Each dog will have the potential to run a total of three times for this event. All dogs will run twice as their preliminary runs and if they advance to the Final they will run a third time. All runs during this event will count towards titles.

Scheduling of Days: It is estimated that Friday thru Sunday will be reserved as preliminary days. Across these days, dogs will have an opportunity to run twice, so that 2 run times are recorded. After all preliminary runs are held, dogs advancing to the finals will be determined based on fastest times from either run. Breeds with only 2 or 1 dog entered, will automatically advance to the finals. For breeds that have more than 2 dogs running, only the top 2 fastest dogs will advance. In order to receive a Best of Breed award, all advancing dogs must run in the final. There is no requirement that a dog must run both runs in the preliminary.

After each dog has had the opportunity to run twice, the preliminary portion of this event has concluded and Finals will take place the following day. AKC reserves the right to change the schedule based on entries and weather. Following the last run of the event, a break of approximately 90 minutes will take place to complete final tabulations and to match all placements with awards. Final runs will determine the top 10 placements in two Divisions – 1. Pure Speed 2. Speed of the Breed. The time and location of the awards ceremony will be announced. Winner photos will follow.

HEIGHT CLASSES

The height class used for each dog will be based on the height class provided on the entry. The information provided on an entry form is to be true as understood by the handler or duly authorized agent. AKC reserves the right to change a handicap at any point prior, during or after the Fast CAT Invitational when in the opinion of the Event Committee a handicap appears incorrect. The Inspection Committee or Event Committee reserves the right to measure if the Committee believes it is necessary. The handicap will be used when awarding the top 10 fastest dogs based on pure speed in each of the three height classes: 18" or greater (1.0 handicap for large dogs), 12" up to less than 18" (1.5 handicap for medium dogs), below 12" (2.0 handicap for small dogs).

SCHEDULE AND AWARDS

This is a general and estimated guideline of the scheduling for the event and maybe subject to change depending on number of entries or other factors such as weather. Running order will go according to alphabetical order of breeds. It is possible if it happens to be warmer than expected, brachycephalic breeds will run first.

*Note: There will be (2) Open non-Invitational Fast CATs held concurrently prior to the Invitational on Thursday, September 17. Some entrants may wish to use this day for warm-up. Please see this premium list for all details.

THUR. 9/17 *Open Fast CATs	FRI. 9/18 Prelim Day 1	SAT. 9/19 Prelim Day 2	SUN. 9/20 Prelim Day 3	MON 9/21 Final Day 4
(2) Non-Invitational Fast CATs held concurrently (Test 1/Test2) Titling Ribbons awarded Advanced Entries taken Limit 300 entries per each Fast CAT	Exhibitors running today check-in, receive welcome bag /T-shirt All dogs run twice. Qualifying & Titling rosettes awarded	Exhibitors running today check-in, receive welcome bag /T-shirt Dogs from yesterday do not run today. All dogs run twice. Qualifying & Titling rosettes awarded	Exhibitors running today check-in, receive welcome bag /T-shirt Dogs from yesterday do not run today. All dogs run twice. Qualifying & Titling rosettes awarded	FINALS (top 2 fastest dogs in each breed run) Qualifying / BOB rosettes awarded Titling rosettes awarded Awards Ceremony & Photos
	OPEN CATS (2) Tests Held Concurrently Qualifying & Titling Ribbons Awarded	OPEN CATS (2) Tests Held Concurrently Qualifying & Titling Ribbons Awarded	OPEN CATS (2) Tests Held Concurrently Qualifying & Titling Ribbons Awarded	
	FIT DOG WALK 1K distance, Day of entry \$20 Special Star Spangle Scurry Medals Given	FIT DOG WALK 1K distance, Day of entry \$20 Special Star Spangle Scurry Medals Given	FIT DOG WALK 1K distance, Day of entry \$20 Special Star Spangle Scurry Medals Given	

Preliminary Fast CAT Invitational Runs determine dogs that advance to the Final. Top two dogs of each breed advance to the Finals. Final runs determine the top 10 placements in two Divisions.

- **Pure Speed Division** – runs will be tabulated for all breeds according to raw speed in MPH. After all final runs are complete, the top 10 fastest dogs according to MPH will each be awarded a placement rosette. The top 4 placements in each height class will also receive a placement trophy. (30 winners total)
- **Speed of the Breed Division** – runs will be tabulated according to the highest percentage of speed, run above the established average speed of a given breed. After all final runs are complete, dogs with the top 10 highest percentages of speeds ran above their breed's average speed, will each be awarded a placement rosette. The top 4 placements will also receive a placement trophy. (10 winners total)

Best of Breed Rosettes will be awarded to the dog with the fastest time for their breed in the final. (1 winner per breed)

Qualifying Rosettes will be presented upon completion of each preliminary and final run. **Titling Rosettes** will be available to those dogs earning a qualifying run which satisfies the requirement to earn a Fast CAT title. Exhibitors will be asked on their entry form if their dog is expected to title at the Invitational.

CATALOG LISTING

AKC titles and ownership information acknowledged for the purposes of the catalog and recognition of awards shall be from AKC's official records at the time of entry. A digital catalog will be published online on the events main webpage where it will remain for historical purposes.

COURSE EQUIPMENT & CONDITIONS

The Fast CAT courses and setup shall adhere to the AKC Fast CAT Regulations. There will be two courses outdoors on a grassy field and completely fenced with usual temporary fencing. A drag lure system will be used for each course. Lures used will be a white plastic bag. Each dog will be announced and a scoreboard with the MPH and seconds will be displayed at each course. In the event the main timer does not trip, the time recorded from the 2nd backup timer will be used. All recorded times are final. The run out will be 70 yards for each course.

Exhibitors and spectators will be required to leave ample room off the sides of the course and not stand or congregate along the course fencing during official runs. Reminder cones may be visible on the field about 20 ft. off the course side.

The Fast CAT Invitational will be located on the Lower Field of the grounds of the Sycamore Creek Family Ranch. See included Maps provided in this premium list.

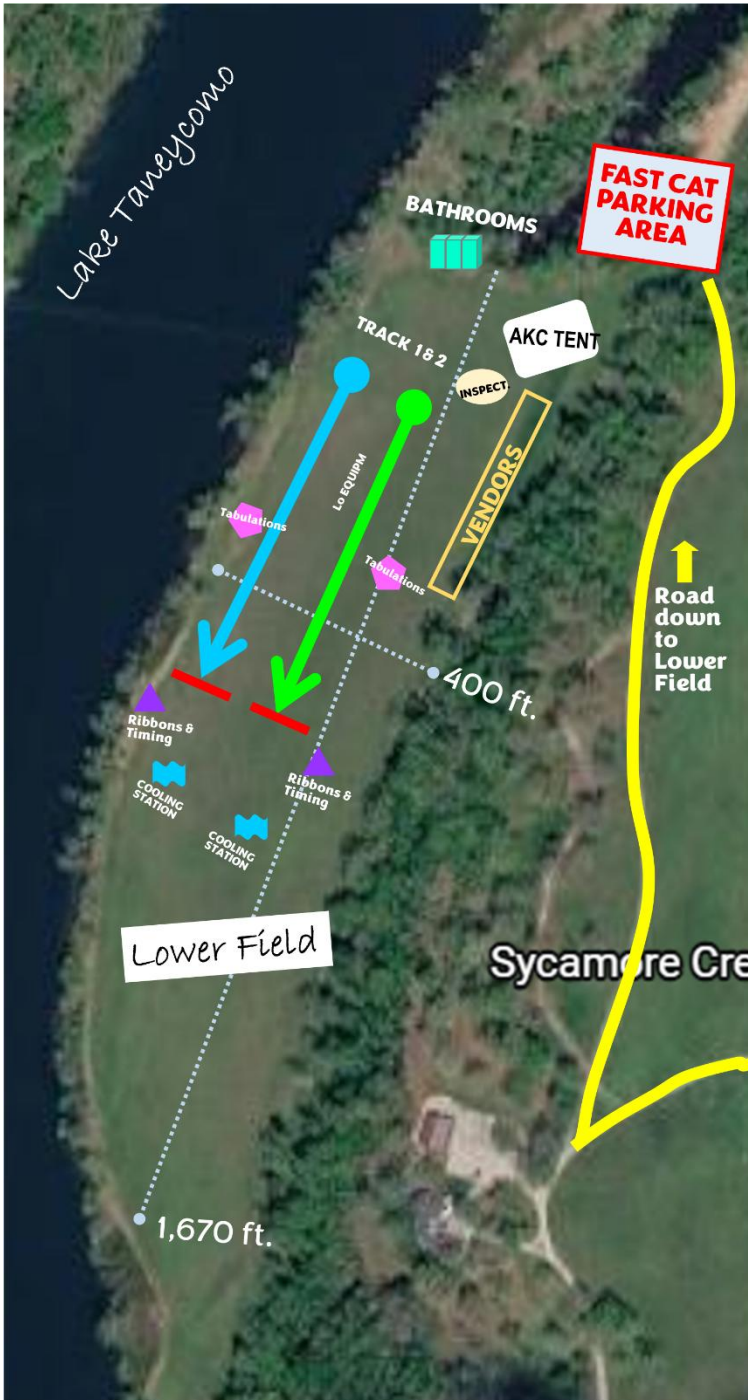
Attendees must show respect in the keeping of the Fast CAT field as well as any other part of private grounds of the Sycamore Creek Family Ranch as they found it and pickup after their dog. Baggies will be provided to all entrants in their souvenir bag and will be available for anyone at the AKC Tent. Multiple receptacles will be on the grounds to deposit dog waste.

OWNERS/HANDLERS FOUND NOT PICKING UP AFTER A DOG THEY ARE WALKING WILL BE ASKED TO LEAVE AND MAYBE SUBJECT TO DISCIPLINARY ACTION.

EVENT MAPS

Scale and proportions are approximate.

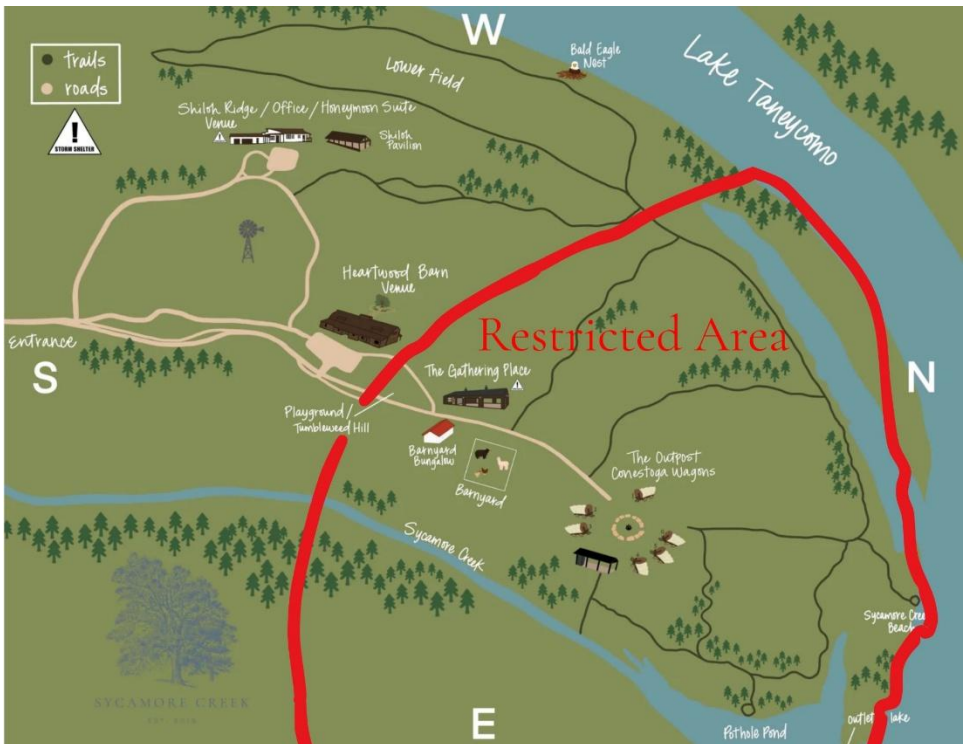
Map #1: Lower Field Detail



Map #2: Main Property



Map #3: Entire Grounds Showing Restricted Area – NOT for any AKC event.
Exhibitors are prohibited from being in the restricted area.



PROPERTY RULES - SYCAMORE CREEK FAMILY RANCH

The American Kennel Club and the Sycamore Creek Family Ranch will not be responsible for any lost or damaged items left at the event 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. ****Security cameras are in use throughout the property.****

Attendees must show respect in the keeping of the Fast CAT field as well as any other part of private grounds of the Sycamore Creek Family Ranch as they found it and pickup after their dog. Baggies will be provided to all entrants in their souvenir bag and will be available for anyone. If you are in need of a bag please use the one provided or take from the ones at the tent or by the receptacles. Multiple receptacles will be on the grounds to deposit dog waste and bags will be provided at each one. **OWNERS/HANDLERS FOUND NOT PICKING UP AFTER A DOG THEY ARE WALKING WILL BE ASKED TO LEAVE AND MAYBE SUBJECT TO DISCIPLINARY ACTION.**

Rules applying to everyone on the grounds of the Sycamore Creek Family Ranch

- No one may be on the event grounds outside of event hours.
- Smoking and vaping are prohibited anywhere on the property.
- Recreational drugs (legal or illegal) are prohibited anywhere on the property.
- **NO alcohol permitted at the venue:**
- No one may bring their own alcohol onto the property.
- Animals must be leashed or crated, when not actively participating in events.
- Animal waste must be immediately picked up and disposed of properly.
- No relieving of animals in designated non potty areas.
- Vehicles must remain on designated roads and in designated parking areas.
- Vehicles may not be driven across the property to the Heartwood Barn or Sycamore Tree area.
- No chalk, crayons, paint, or paint pens may be used on the property or venue surfaces.
- No pushpins, nails, screws, staples, tacks, glue, adhesive material, or chains may be used anywhere in the Heartwood Barn or Shiloh Ridge event venue, on trees, chairs, benches, and in landscaped areas.
- Guests who endanger others, threaten property, or violate the alcohol policy may be removed from the premises.
- ****Security cameras are in use throughout the property.****
- Abusive, threatening, harassing, hostile, or offensive behavior toward staff, vendors, or others is prohibited. Individuals who continue such behavior may be removed from the property.
- No exhibitors or dogs are allowed inside the Heartwood Barn or Shiloh Ridge buildings – exhibitors may use the bathrooms located off the Heartwood Barn. No dogs allowed in the bathrooms.
- Non-service animals are not permitted inside the Heartwood Barn or Shiloh Ridge venues.
- Glitter, rice, confetti, silk flower petals, Chinese lanterns, sparklers, anything with a live flame are prohibited.
- Smoke effects, explosives, fireworks, and unauthorized pyrotechnics are prohibited.

- Exhibitors must abide by all directions signs on the property and not go into restricted areas.

Rules applying to vendors on the grounds of the Sycamore Creek Family Ranch

- Vendors must conduct themselves professionally and may not engage in abusive, threatening, hostile, offensive, or harassing behavior toward SCFR staff or others. Vendors may be asked to leave if the behavior continues.
- Driving is restricted to designated roads, entrances, exits, and parking areas.
- Vehicles may not be driven across the property to the Heartwood Barn or Sycamore Tree area.
- All vendor vehicles must be removed from the property at the conclusion of the event to avoid towing.
- Music must comply with Branson noise regulations, with particular care taken to be respectful in the mornings.
- Deliveries must occur during the event hours and dates. Materials not picked up on time may incur additional charges.
- Chalk, crayons, paint, and paint pens may not be used.
- No pushpins, nails, screws, staples, tacks, glue, adhesive materials, chains, or Command Strips may be used on buildings, trees, furniture, or landscaping.
- Venue décor owned by SCFR may not be moved or removed.
- Vendors selling goods must utilize the Lower Field unless special permission is given to set up on the Upper Field. All vendors must have signed a contract with the host, AKC.

**Vendors interested in renting a booth space (\$200 for all days) should contact,
Event Secretary, Morgan Dart**
Morgan.Dart@akc.org
262-510-1861 or 919-816-3340

DIRECTIONS TO GROUNDS

From the North via US-65: Take US-65 South continue and it becomes US-65 Business, continue and it becomes Veterans Blvd. You will travel in the heart of downtown Branson, go over the bridge, the road becomes Red Rte, then take the roundabout heading left onto State Hwy 76 E stay on that for about 2.5 miles then make a quick left on State Hwy T. State Hwy T will turn into Sunset Inn Rd. Stay on Sunset Inn Rd. and keep going all the way down until you see the iron gates for the Sycamore Creek Family Ranch. Please follow directional signs.

From the South via US-65: Take US-65 North continue and it becomes US-65 Business, then it turns into Lake Rd. Go pass the roundabout staying straight onto Hwy 76 E for about 2.5 miles then make a quick left on State Hwy T. State Hwy T will turn into Sunset Inn Rd. Stay on Sunset Inn Rd. and keep going all the way down until you see the iron gates for the Sycamore Creek Family Ranch. Please follow directional signs.

From the East via State Hwy 76: Head west on State Hwy 76 until you see State Hwy T where you will make a right onto State Hwy T. State Hwy T turns into Sunset Inn Rd. Stay on Sunset Inn Rd. and keep going all the way down until you see the iron gates for the Sycamore Creek Family Ranch. Please follow directional signs.

From the West via State Hwy 76: Head east on State Hwy 76 to US-65 South. Continue and it becomes US-65 Business, continue and it becomes Veterans Blvd. You will travel in the heart of downtown Branson, go over the bridge, the road becomes Red Rte, then take the roundabout heading left onto State Hwy 76 E stay on that for about 2.5 miles then make a quick left on State Hwy T. State Hwy T will turn into Sunset Inn Rd. Stay on Sunset Inn Rd. and keep going all the way down until you see the iron gates for the Sycamore Creek Family Ranch. Please follow directional signs.

EXPLORE BRANSON, MISSOURI

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area attractions!



Branson is excited to welcome you and
your family for your upcoming 2026 event!

As your event date approaches, the sports team at Explore Branson is here to offer our full support to ensure your time in Branson is not only successful—but unforgettable.

We'd love to introduce you to the **Explore Branson Athlete Program**. This program provides a list of offers from our sponsors around town that you and your family can enjoy during your stay. This list can be found in a QR code embedded in the back of a blue wristband (picture attached) handed out at your event. Each participant will receive one. This program is a fantastic way to explore the Branson area and create more memorable experiences.



Wristbands will be distributed by your event's organizer beforehand or at the check-in table during the first day of your event. Feel free to scan the QR code below before your event to get familiar with the offers.

Your unforgettable memories in Branson are our greatest success!

Warm regards,

Kristina Hagey
Director of Sports Sales & Development

Stewart Grimm
Assistant Director of Sports Sales

Francisco Delgado
Sports Coordinator



SCAN HERE TO
VIEW OFFERS

There is so
much
information
about Branson
– places to stay
& things to do!
To Learn All
About this
location visit:

[explorebranson.com](https://www.explorebranson.com)

For more information specifically on where to stay visit:

<https://www.explorebranson.com/places-to-stay/>

AREA HOTELS & CAMPGROUNDS

The amount of places to stay as well as RV/campgrounds in Branson, MO is extensive. For a complete list it is recommended you utilize the Branson tourist links provided. In addition there are numerous pet friendly vacation house rentals and cabins for rent.

From the main www.explorebranson.com website you can look up the type of accommodation you are looking for.

BRANSON HOTELS – PET FRIENDLY

Hilton Promenade at Branson Landing – 3 Branson Landing, Branson, MO 65616

Phone: 417-336-5500

Red Roof Inn Branson – 210 S Wildwood Dr, Branson, MO 65616

Phone: 417-222-6484

Westgate Branson Woods Resort – 2201 Roark Valley Rd, Branson, MO 65616

Phone: 417-334-2324

Best Western Center Pointe Inn – 3215 W 76 Country Blvd, Branson, MO 65616

Phone: 417-334-1894

Hotel Grand Victorian – 2325 State Highway 76, Branson, MO 65616

Phone: 417-336-2935

La Quinta by Wyndham Branson – 3226 Shepherd Of The Hills Expwy, Branson, MO

65616 Phone: 417-312-9824

Hilton Branson Convention Center – 200 East Main St, Branson, MO 65616

Phone: 417-336-5400

Chateau on the Lake – 415 N State Hwy 265, Branson, MO 65616

Phone: 888-333-5253

Quality Inn Branson – Hwy 76 Central – 1835 West 76 Highway, Branson, MO 65616

Phone: 417-263-4987

Gazebo Inn – 2424 W 76 Country Blvd, Branson, MO 65616

Phone: 417-335-3860

Calm Waters Cabin Resort – 1043 Jakes Creek Trl, Branson, MO 65616

Phone: 417-338-8963

BRANSON RV PARKS AND CAMPGROUNDS

Branson Lakeside RV Park

300 S Boxcar Willie Dr, Branson, MO 65616. **Phone:** 417-334-2915

Branson Musicland Campground

116 Gretna Rd, Branson, MO 65616. **Phone:** 417-334-0848

Branson Stagecoach Campground

5751 Historic Hwy 165, Branson, MO 65616. **Phone:** 417-669-9308

Landing View RV Resort and Campground

950 MO-76, Branson, MO 65616. **Phone:** 417-973-1600

Silver Dollar City Campground

5125 MO-265, Branson, MO 65616. **Phone:** 800-477-5164

Table Rock State Park

5272 State Highway 165, Branson, MO 65616. **Phone:** 417-334-4704

America's Best Campground

497 State Hwy 248, Branson, MO 65616. **Phone:** 417-336-4399

Branson KOA Holiday

397 Animal Safari Rd, Branson, MO 65616. **Phone:** 417-334-4414

Camp Long Creek

1358 Long Creek Rd, Ridgedale, MO 65739 **Phone:** 417-348-3440

Lake Shore RV Park

1216 S Business Hwy 65, Hollister, MO 65672 **Phone:** 417-460-6084

SITE & EMERGENCY INFORMATION

In the event of an emergency, please dial 911.

VETERINARIAN EMERGENCY SERVICES

Animal Care Clinic – Dr. Alison Barulich

215 S. 2nd Street

Branson, MO 65616

417-334-7696

(email direct from webpage)

Mon-Thur: 8:00AM to 1:00PM

(closes for lunch for an hour) Reopens: 2:00PM – 5:00PM

Fri: 8:00AM to 12noon

Sat & Sun: Closed

www.animalcareclinicbranson.com

Distance: 6.6 miles / 14 mins

R Veterinary Kirbyville

4525 East State Hwy 76

Kirbyville, MO 65679

417-336-3344

kirbyville@r.vet

Mon-Fri: 8:00AM to 5:00PM

Sat & Sun: Closed

www.kirbyvilleveterinaryclinic.com

Distance: 6 miles / 11 mins

Branson Veterinary Hospital

29 Wintergreen Rd #A

Branson, MO 65616

417-263-8847

Bransonvet.records@gmail.com

M-F: 7:30AM to 5:00PM

Sat: 8AM to 12:00noon

Sun: Closed

www.bransonveterinaryhospital.com

Distance: 9.5 miles / 20 mins

Shepherd of the Hills Veterinary Clinic

895 State Hwy 248

Branson, MO 65616

417-337-7389

info@shepherdhillsvet.com

Mon, Tues, Thur, Fri: 7:30AM to 5PM

Wed: 7:30AM to 6:00PM

***Sat: 9:00AM to 2:00PM**

**check if opened – closed on 3 three Saturdays per month*

Sun: Closed

www.shepherdhillsvet.com

Distance: 9.5 miles / 20 mins

Taney County Veterinarian Services

379 Links Lane

Forsyth, MO 65653

417-251-9970

taneycountyvet@gmail.com

Mon-Fri: 8:00AM to 5:00PM

(closed on Wed for lunch 1:30PM to 3:00PM)

www.taneycountyvet.com

Distance: 18 miles / 28 mins

Allphin Veterinary Clinic

10669 State Hwy 76

Branson West, MO 65737

417-272-8000

communication@allphinevet.com

Mon, Wed, Thur, Fri: 8:30AM – 5:30PM

Tues: 8:30AM – 12noon (closed for lunch) Reopens 1:30PM – 6:30PM

Sat & Sun: Closed

www.allphinvet.com

Distance: 18 miles / 38 mins

24/7 VETERINARIAN URGENT CARE AFTER HOURS:

Emergency Veterinary Clinic of Southwest Missouri, Inc.

400 S. Glenstone Avenue

Springfield, MO 65802

417-890-1600

info@evcspringfield.com

Monday – Friday: 6:00PM – 8:00AM

Saturday & Sunday: 24 Hrs

www.evcspringfield.com

Distance: 50 miles / 1 hour

Animal Emergency and Specialty Center of Northwest Arkansas

881 Metroplex Dr

Springdale, AR 72762

479-244-2369

aescnwa@gmail.com

24 hours a day/7 days a week - Walk-in only

www.aescnwa.com

Distance: 100 miles / 2 hours

HUMAN EMERGENCY SERVICES:

Mercy Urgent Care

448 State Hwy 248 Ste 120

Branson, MO 65616

417-337-5000

Mercy.net

Distance: 9 miles / 22 mins

CoxHealth Urgent Care

1601 Branson Hills Parkway

Branson, MO 65616

417-348-8400

Distance: 12 miles / 23 mins

Hospital – Cox Medical Center Branson - Level I Trauma Center

525 Branson Landing Blvd.

Branson, MO 65616

417-335-7000

www.coxhealth.com

Distance from the grounds: 7.5 miles / 17 mins

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Official AKC Fast CAT Invitational Photographer

ML Baer Photography will be the official AKC Fast CAT & Invitational photographer.

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

Photographs may be purchased by contacting ML Baer Photography at

mark@mlbaer.com or 413-441-5011

MLBAER PHOTOGRAPHY

PORTRAITS & ACTION PHOTOS | 413.441.5011



CATALOG ADVERTISING

Take advantage of the opportunity to advertise your club or company or send special wishes to this year's competitors in a memorable and visual way by placing an ad in the online catalog for the 2026 AKC Fast CAT Invitational. This printed catalog will be archived and kept online for historical purposes indefinitely from the Fast CAT Invitational home webpage.

**The Exhibitors' Catalog will be full size at 8.5" x 11" and be in print format.
All ad size prices include full color.**

1/8 Page or Well Wisher Ads \$10

1/4 Page \$20

Standard Trading Card reprint size \$30

(non-standard sizes \$35)

1/2 Page \$40

Full Page \$80

Send brief good luck well wishes from you and/or your club. For this price you can advertise to wish someone "Good Luck" at the event.

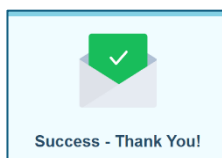
Deadline for catalog ad submission is:

Friday, August 21, 2026 @ 9PM (EST)

To Purchase Ad Space in the Event Catalog Online:

GO TO: www.akc.org/akcfastcatinvitational

and use the published link.



After placing your ad space purchase you will receive a notification via email that your purchase is complete.

Electronic ad submissions or questions should be sent directly to:

akcfastcatinvitational@akc.org

PLEASE REFERENCE "CATALOG AD" IN THE SUBJECT LINE OF YOUR EMAIL.

If mailing a check or money order for a catalog ad payment, please send to:

The American Kennel Club

Attn: Fast Cat Invitational Catalog

c/o Caroline Murphy

8051 Arco Corporate Drive, Suite 100

Raleigh, NC 27617-3390

Please make checks payable to AKC and please reference the ad for which you are paying.

NOTICE TO EXHIBITORS

NON-DOG AREAS - Dogs will not be permitted in areas stipulated as “non-dog” locations. Dog and exhibitors are prohibited from being on the grounds in restricted areas. Please refer to Maps included in this premium list. Owners must comply with all facility rules.

ALL DOGS MUST BE ON LEASH - Dogs must be on leash, held by the handler at all times while on the event grounds except when inside the course area. Failure to maintain control of a dog may result in an Event Committee hearing.

CHAIRS - No seating will be permitted immediately outside the course or close enough to the course to possibly cause a distraction.

CLEANUP - Exhibitors are responsible for cleaning up after their dog(s) at the event grounds and all hotels. Any exhibitor failing to do so may be asked to leave the event grounds without benefit of refund if the Event Committee deems the exhibitor to be in violation of this requirement.

SAFETY, BEHAVIOR and LIABILITY- The safety of the dog is our primary concern. By entering this event, exhibitors acknowledge that they are familiar with the rules and regulations of the AKC. 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 show site. In such cases, no refund of any fees paid will be made. The American Kennel 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 American Kennel Club reserves the right to decline entries for cause and may remove any dog because of aggression. No one shall have any recourse or claim against the American Kennel Club or any official thereof.

HEALTH & VACCINATIONS - Exhibitors should follow their veterinarian's recommendations to assure their dogs are free of internal and external parasites, any communicable diseases, and have appropriate vaccinations. A copy of a dog's vaccination record, including a current rabies certificate, must be available in the event there is a question/dog bite.

LEASHES - It is recommended exhibitors bring 2 leashes (one for the Releaser and one for the Catcher).

RUN TIMES - Runs will be organized according to alphabetical order by breed name and posted.

DOGS IN VEHICLES - Owners and handlers are responsible for ensuring dogs are kept in conditions that protect them from heat-related illness, distress, injury, or death. Violating this policy is considered conduct prejudicial to the best interests of purebred dogs, the sport of purebred dogs, and the American Kennel Club and may result in disciplinary action under the AKC Charter and Bylaws.

AKC Rules/Regulations/Policies – All licensed events will be held in accordance with the [AKC Coursing Ability Test \(CAT\) and Fast CAT® Regulations](#) as well as the [Dealing with Misconduct Booklet](#), and any AKC Fit Dog policies/guidelines as well as any other applicable AKC rules/regulations or policies.

*****FOOD TRUCKS*****

Food trucks will be available to exhibitors throughout the event for breakfast and lunch.

OFFICIAL AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB - FAST CAT INVITATIONAL ENTRY FORM

9/18/26 – 9/21/26 Licensed Event: #2026277109- Sycamore Creek Family Ranch, Branson, MO

Breed:	Handicap: (select one) ☐ 1.0 ☐ 1.5 ☐ 2.0	Entry Fee \$175.00
Breeder (if known):	T-Shirt Size:	Date of Birth:
Call Name:	Registration#:	Sex:
Name of Jr. Handler (if any):	Jr Handler # (if known):	
Full Name of Dog:		
Method of Payment: ☐ Enclosed Check ☐ Credit Card- Please call me for credit card info		
Actual Owner(s):	Title Expect to Earn: ☐ none ☐ BCAT ☐ DCAT ☐ FCAT #:_____	
Owner's Address:		
City:	State:	Zip:
Name of Owner's Agent/Handler (if any) at Event:		
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 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. 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 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 persons. 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 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.		
Signature of owner or agent duly authorized to make this entry:		
Email:	Phone#:	

There will be two AKC licensed non-Invitational Open Fast CATS held on



Thursday, September 17, 2026

Event #: 2026277110 (Test #1) and 2026277111 (Test #2)

Each event is limited to 300 runs.

Both Fast CAT Events will be run concurrently.

This event will be held outdoors at the:

Sycamore Creek Family Ranch

2657 Sunset Inn Road

Branson, Missouri 65616

ENTRY OPENS:

Friday, July 24, 2026 at 9:00AM

(Eastern Standard Time)

ENTRY CLOSES:

Friday, August 14, 2026 at 9:00PM

(Eastern Standard Time)

If the numerical limit has not be reached by advanced entry,
Walk-ins will be accepted on the grounds until the numerical limit is reached
(\$35 Entry Fee)

To enter online visit:

www.akc.org/akcfastcatininvitational



**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.

SHEILA H. GOFFE, Executive Secretary

EVENT COMMITTEE

Event Chair – Caroline Murphy, Director of Performance Events
Joseph Shoemaker – CAT / Fast CAT Field Representative
Taylor Campbell – Sports & Events Coordinator
Wanda Forlines – AKC Sports & Events
Michelle Yamamoto – Sports & Events

EVENT SECRETARY

Erick Marchessault
71 Willow Circle
Cary, IL 60013
fastcatcorgis@gmail.com

LURE OPERATORS

Don Adams, Jeff Dart, Aline Denges, and Jason Dulak

Other lure operators may be added as needed.

ELIGIBILITY TO ENTER

Fast CAT events are open to all dogs at least 12 months of age that are individually registered with the AKC, recorded in the Foundation Stock Service (FSS) program, individually registered with a foreign or domestic registry organization whose pedigrees are acceptable for AKC registration, dogs granted a Purebred Alternative Listing (PAL) number, dogs with AKC Limited or Conditional Registration, or dogs enrolled in the AKC Canine Partners program. Dogs with breed disqualifications and monorchid/cryptorchid dogs are eligible to participate. Females in season and lame dogs may not enter. A dog may enter only once per event. (An event is defined by an event number.) If you have any questions, please contact the event secretary.

NOT REGISTERED WITH AKC: You can register your dog through the AKC Canine Partners program the day of event. Breed will be marked as “All American Dog.” Contact Field Secretary for more details! Qualified runs during this event will be counted toward your title.

ENTRY INFORMATION

These events will be conducted in accordance with the [AKC Fast CAT Regulations](#). The Event Committee shall have the authority to decide upon any matter arising which is not already specifically addressed in the Fast CAT Regulations. This includes matters related to the event that may occur before, during or after the event. Should a situation arise where the application of a Regulation is open for interpretation, the Event Committee shall decide how it will be handled.

Each event is limited to 300 runs.

Walk-ins accepted on the grounds until the numerical limit is reached.

If entries close and the numerical limit is reached, standbys will be taken day of.

Entry Fee is \$35 per AKC Fast CAT.

Entry fees shall be fixed by the host club and shall be forfeited by the owner or agent in such cases where dogs are scratched from the field except as follows:

- Dogs determined to be lame or unfit to participate by the Inspection Committee, owner or agent at the time of roll call or upon previous notification by the owner or agent. These dogs shall be barred from participating and their entry fees shall be refunded in full.
- Bitches in season may not participate, or bitches which come in season after the close of entries, shall be barred from participating in the test and their entry fees shall be refunded in full. Notification to the Secretary of bitches in season, must be made before or during the roll call. A note from a veterinarian is not required. Bitches known to be in season shall not be brought onto the test grounds.

Entries withdrawn prior to closing will be refunded. The Event Committee has the responsibility to determine refunds in unusual situations.

Upon submitting your online entry you will receive a green checkmark with a thank you message – that confirms your entry.

ERRORS ON ENTRIES: Owners are responsible for the accuracy of the information required on the entry form. Changes, additions, or corrections to an entry, entry substitutions, or cancellations by the owner must be received in writing (email accepted) by the Event Secretary prior to the closing date of the event. Other means of notification will not be accepted.

MAIL IN – PAPER ENTRY INFO If by check, please make payable to “AKC”. Paper entry forms can be mailed with the \$35 entry fee to:

**American Kennel Club
Attn: Caroline Murphy / Open Fast CATs
8051 Arco Corporate Drive / Suite 100
Raleigh, NC 27617**

No entries will be accepted by phone, fax or hand delivery. UPS and FedEx mail may be sent to the Event Secretary's address above. Express mail entries must include the signature waiver allowing them to be left at the Secretary's address without a signature being required! It is the exhibitor's sole responsibility to assure their entry is delivered by the closing date and time. Illegible entries will not be processed and will be returned to the exhibitor. Returned checks do not constitute a valid entry. A twenty-five (\$30) dollar collection fee will be added to the amount of each returned check. Exhibitors may only submit paper entries using the form provided with in this premium list or the downloadable PDF file published on the event website or the link provide for online entries. Please do not submit pre-filled out generic entry forms; your entry will not be accepted. *Returned or postdated checks or declined credit cards do not constitute a valid entry.*

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SCHEDULING

Both events will be run concurrently. All handlers must have dogs inspected prior to running. Dogs are assigned a running order after entries are received. As a courtesy the entry form will ask for preferred run time and the Secretary will give every effort to accommodate, however it is not guaranteed. Run times will be posted to www.akc.org/akcfastcatinvitational following sometime after the close of entries. If you are late for your run time, you will be moved to the end of the run order. Please arrive to the field 30 mins. prior to your scheduled run time. Exhibitors are responsible for knowing their dog's run time and to be waiting to run in the queue outside the course after having passed through the roll call / inspection station. Any dog not present by the time the test ends, will be considered absent.

After entries close a list of the running order will be available online. For those who sign up to receive text messages when to text message sign up, an alert notification will be sent that run times have been posted online. AKC also reserves the right to change daily event scheduling, cancel or reschedule any events during Fast CAT Invitational week should circumstances arise.

RIBBONS

A light blue ribbon will be awarded to each dog receiving a qualifying score. A special titling rosette for dogs earning titles will be given, based on information provided at time of entry.

BASIC FAST CAT INFORMATION

Fast CAT Test is a timed straight 100-yard dash for dogs. It is meant to be a fun and healthy activity of interest to any dog owner. Dogs run singularly.

How are Fast CAT Points and Titles Awarded?

The dog's time to complete the 100-yard dash is converted into MPS.

A handicap system is applied to a dog's MPS to determine the number of points earned.

The handicap system is based on the height of the dog at its withers.

18 inches or greater = handicap of 1.0

12 inches to less than 18 inches = handicap of 1.5

Below 12 inches = handicap of 2.0

Points = MPS multiplied by the dog's handicap.

The inspection committee reserves the right to measure if necessary.

Fast CAT titles are suffix titles earned at designated milestones.

BCAT = 150 points

DCAT = 500 points FCAT = 1,000 points

FCAT = every additional 500 points

The [top 20 fastest dogs](#) by breeds are published on the AKC website.

OFFICIAL AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB – OPEN FAST CAT #1 ENTRY FORM**9/17/2026 Event: #2026277110 - Test (1) – Sycamore Creek Family Ranch, Branson, MO**

Breeder:		Entry fee: \$35	
Breeder: (if known)		Method of Payment: ☐ Check Enclosed ☐ Credit Card (Call me)	
Date of Birth:			
Select Preferred Run Time: This does not guarantee your runs will happen in these slots. Run Order is assigned based upon the order in which entries are received. See final running order for time slot. ☐ 8AM-10AM ☐ 10AM-12PM ☐ 1PM-3PM ☐ 3PM-5PM		Height Class: (Please check one) ☐ Under 12" ☐ 12" to less than 18" ☐ 18" and over	
Call Name:		Registration #: (AKC/FSS/CP/PAL)	
Sex:			
Name of Jr. Handler (if any):		Jr Handler #:	
Full Name of Dog:			
Actual Owner(s):		Title Expect to Earn: ☐ none ☐ BCAT ☐ DCAT ☐ FCAT #:	
Owner's Address:			
City:		State:	Zip:
Name of Owner's Agent/Handler (if any) at Event:			
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 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. 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 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 persons. 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 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.			
Signature of owner or agent duly authorized to make this entry:			
Email:		Phone#:	

OFFICIAL AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB – OPEN FAST CAT #2 ENTRY FORM**9/17/2026 Event: #2026277111 - Test (2) – Sycamore Creek Family Ranch, Branson, MO**

Breeder:		Entry fee: \$35	
Breeder: (if known)		Method of Payment: ☐ Check Enclosed ☐ Credit Card (Call Me)	
Date of Birth:			
Select Preferred Run Time: This does not guarantee your runs will happen in these slots. Run Order is assigned based upon the order in which entries are received. See final running order for time slot. ☐ 8AM-10AM ☐ 10AM-12PM ☐ 1PM-3PM ☐ 3PM-5PM		Height Class: (Please check one) ☐ Under 12" ☐ 12" to less than 18" ☐ 18" and over	
Call Name:		Registration #: (AKC/FSS/CP/PAL)	
Sex:			
Name of Jr. Handler (if any):		Jr Handler #:	
Full Name of Dog:			
Actual Owner(s):		Title Expect to Earn: ☐ none ☐ BCAT ☐ DCAT ☐ FCAT #:	
Owner's Address:			
City:		State:	Zip:
Name of Owner's Agent/Handler (if any) at Event:			
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Signature of owner or agent duly authorized to make this entry:			
Email:		Phone#:	



**AKC is celebrating America's 250th Anniversary
with a new scurry supporting the
[United States War Dog Association!](#)**

SPECIAL STAR-SPANGLED AKC FIT DOG WALK

A special benefit Fit Dog Walk will be held daily for **3 days** rain or shine.
Friday, September 18 thru Sunday, September 20, 2026



All proceeds go to help the United States War Dogs Association

<https://www.uswardogs.org/>

United States War Dog Association (USWDA) was established in 2000 by 5 dog handlers (Ron Aiello, Bucky Grimm, Bob Cicero, Bob Thompson, and Al Gunderson) who served in Vietnam. Representing the Marine Corps, Army and Air Force, they found a common bond through K-9 and formed an organization to honor war dogs; past, present, and future. USWDA started with a mission of raising money to dedicate a memorial to honor the legacy of war dogs.

Mission Statement:

Honoring our nation's war dogs and their handlers, past, present, and future.

Vision:

To provide support throughout the life cycle of a military working dog and promote the distinguished history of their invaluable service.

Objectives:

- Send care packages to K-9 teams currently deployed.
- Provide working dogs with necessary equipment both overseas and in the US.
- Recognize military working dogs who are retiring through our awards program.
- Facilitate a free prescription drug program for retired working dogs.
- Provide funds for The Rainbow Bridge Assistance Program Memorializing K-9 Heroes.
- Educate the public about the service and sacrifice of military working dogs.

Chapters:

Through their US War Dog Association Chapters, they support additional objectives:

- Transporting veteran war dogs back to the U.S. after their service.
- Finding homes for retired K9s
- Train service dogs for Veterans with a disabling medical condition(s).

Two AKC licensed Open CAT events will be held daily
Friday, September 18 thru Sunday, September 20, 2026



*Each event is limited. Events per day will be run concurrently.
Open to all AKC registered dogs and Mixed breeds registered via Canine Partners.*

**Sycamore Creek Family Ranch
2657 Sunset Inn Road
Branson, Missouri 65616**

ENTRY OPENS:
Friday, July 24, 2026 at 9:00AM
(Central Time)

ENTRY CLOSES:
Friday, August 14, 2026 at 9:00PM
(Central Time)

Walk-ins accepted on the grounds if numerical limit has not been reached. (\$30 Entry Fee)

To enter online visit:
www.secreterrier.com

Secreterrier
YOU HANDLE THE DOGS, WE'LL HANDLE THE REST

Coursing Ability Tests held:
9/18/26 - 2026277124 / 2026277125 (limited to 85 per event)
9/19/26 - 2026277126 / 2026277127 (limited to 100 per event)
9/20/26 - 2026277128 / 2026277129 (limited to 100 per event)



Operated by Speed Dog Coursing

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

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Event Chair - Caroline Murphy, Director of Performance Events
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EVENT SECRETARY – COURSING ABILITY TESTS

Gary Webb
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Clarkrange, TN 38553
707-733-3644
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LURE OPERATORS – COURSING ABILITY TESTS

Gary Webb, Alishia Johnson, Jan Swayze Curry, Thom Haig, Sharon Webb
Other lure operators may be added if necessary.

JUDGES – COURSING ABILITY TESTS

FRIDAY-JAN SWAYZE CURRY, COLUMBIA KY
SATURDAY-DR. THOM HAIG, CORRYTON, TN
SUNDAY-SHARON WEBB, CUMMING, GA



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SITE & EMERGENCY INFORMATION

In the event of an emergency, please dial 911.

**FOR ALL VETERINARY HOSPITALS
INCLUDING 24/7 EMERGENCY AFTER HOURS
SEE INFORMATION STARTING ON PAGE 15.**

**FOR HUMAN EMERGENCY SERVICES AND URGENT CARE
SEE INFORMATION ON PAGE 17.**

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

PROPERTY RULES - SYCAMORE CREEK FAMILY RANCH

The American Kennel Club and the Sycamore Creek Family Ranch will not be responsible for any lost or damaged items left at the event 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. ****Security cameras are in use throughout the property.****

Attendees must show respect in the keeping of the CAT field as well as any other part of private grounds of the Sycamore Creek Family Ranch as they found it and pickup after their dog. Baggies will be provided to all entrants in their souvenir bag and will be available for anyone. If you are in need of a bag please use the one provided or take from the ones at the tent or by the receptacles. Multiple receptacles will be on the grounds to deposit dog waste and bags will be provided at each one. **OWNERS/HANDLERS FOUND NOT PICKING UP AFTER A DOG THEY ARE WALKING WILL BE ASKED TO LEAVE AND MAYBE SUBJECT TO DISCIPLINARY ACTION.**

ALL EXHIBITORS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR ADHERING TO RULES OF SYCAMORE CREEK FAMILY RANCH. PLEASE SEE PAGE 11 FOR ALL RULES.

Please refer to page 10 for a Map of the grounds.

Please refer to info starting on page 12 for Directions, Info on Branson and area hotel/RV parks.

For First Time Coursers & Handlers

★ **WHAT ARE 'DAY OF' ENTRIES?** - Entries accepted after the closing date and up until the day of event are considered Day of Entries.

Please Note: Be aware that there may be a long delay before day of entrants can run, all pre-registered dogs run at a scheduled time slot - unless there is a conflict.

Day Of entries must be done online no paper entries will be processed.

★ **WHAT IS ROLL CALL?** - The time, prior to the commencement of running, by which you are supposed to have your dog ready for inspection by the Inspection Committee. At roll call the dog is examined for lameness or in season. Both spayed and unsplayed bitches are examined to see if they show any evidence of being in season.

★ **WHAT IS AN INSPECTION?** - Dogs will be inspected by a designated inspection committee consisting of at least two people who are members of the hosting Club. The members shall inspect each entered dog for lameness, fitness to compete and female estrus (in season), before each test run. Please Note: Inspection shall take place prior to any form of wrapping being applied to the dog. In the opinion of the Inspection Committee, any entrant found to be lame, unfit to compete or in season shall not be allowed to test and the applicable entry fees shall be refunded.

INSPECTION: Must take place before each test that the dog is entered in. (If you are entered in both tests on one day, then the dog is inspected twice).

★ **WHAT IS A BLOCK SCHEDULE?** - This is a scheduled block of time that is divided into one-hour time blocks with concurrent tests. For example, 9 AM to 10AM, dogs in that group should be at the check in table no earlier than 8:50 AM and no later than 9:30 AM to run in that time block. These events will run CONCURRENTLY using a BLOCK schedule. A time block will be assigned, we will do our best to accommodate requests, but preferred time blocks are not guaranteed. An email explaining the process will be sent out prior to the test.

Early acceptance of dogs for members of the event committee may begin one hour prior to published test hours

TIPS FOR HANDLERS

The field is fenced. However, it is strongly recommended that prior to running your dog, you have good "recall" control over your dog, as the dog will be off leash.

Handlers should wear comfortable shoes and be physically able to hold and release their dogs, as well as catch them.

Dogs will be brought to the start line on leash and released only upon a verbal signal ("Tally-Ho!") from the Hunt Master. Dogs may be released by hand, folded leash or using a traditional lure coursing slip lead. Handler should have someone familiar with the dog at the end of the course to retrieve the dog or have someone else release their dog at the start line. The handler is expected to promptly secure the dog and leave the field with the dog on leash.

WHAT HAPPENS IF IT RAINS? This is a rain or shine event. Please plan accordingly.

GENERAL INFORMATION

ELIGIBILITY

This event is open to all dogs at least one year of age by the day of the event. Dogs must be individually registered with the American Kennel Club, recorded in the FSS program, dogs with PAL numbers, and dogs enrolled in the AKC Canine Partners program are eligible. Dogs with breed disqualifications and monorchid/cryptorchid dogs are eligible to participate. If your mix breed dog needs an AKC Canine Partner number a form and information is available at

<https://www.apps.akc.org/registration-canine-partner/>

For all information about AKC Registration visit: <https://www.akc.org/register/>

Mixed breeds **MUST** be spayed or neutered to be eligible to run. Mixed breed dogs that have been listed with the AKC Canine Partners may participate provided their listing number has been recorded on the entry form. Breeds should be marked as "All American Dog". All American dogs without a Canine Partner number **MAY** register for the AKC Canine Partner program at the field and run for qualifying points.

A dog may enter only one time per test. Each test has an individual event number. There are two test/events each day. Events are run **CONCURRENTLY** - meaning the option to run both events in the same time block is allowed.

REFUNDS

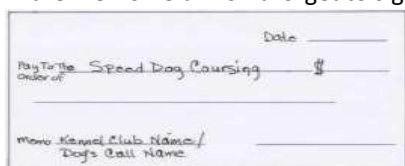
Must be made in writing speeddogevents@gmail.com You may pull out of the test prior to closing date/time for a refund. There will be no refund after closing date for

any reason, except for injury to the dog or for a bitch in season. Online service fee will not be refunded.

PAPER ENTRIES

If you wish to pay by check or money order you **MUST** send in a paper entry with your check. On-line entries are **NOT** available if you are paying by check/money order.

MAKE CHECKS/MONEY ORDERS PAYABLE TO: Speed Dog Coursing, LLC Fees are payable in U.S. funds. Returned checks will be assessed a \$25.00 service fee. Mailed entries will not be accepted without a signature on the entry form or without appropriate test fees. Please fill out your check Payable to Speed Dog Coursing (SDC) and **VERY IMPORTANT!**- Put the name of the Host Kennel Club – (AKC #2771) and your dog's **CALL NAME** in the memo field. Don't forget to sign your check!



See the Official American Kennel Club Entry Form at the end of this premium list which must be used if you do not use the online entry form.

Checks will be cashed upon receipt. Telephone and fax entries will not be accepted. No conditional entries will be accepted. Entries may be mailed to:

EVENT Secretary - Gary Webb Make checks payable
to **Speed Dog Coursing, LLC**
4474 Jonesville Rd
Clarkrange, TN 38553
(707)733-3644
speeddogcoursing@gmail.com

If an entry is sent by UPS, Airborne Express, FedEx, etc., please indicate that no signature is necessary upon arrival. Entries will be acknowledged by E-Mail, if legible e-mail address is provided.

ONLINE ENTRY INFORMATION (PREFERRED METHOD)

Entrants can visit www.speeddogcoursing.com to enter or go direct to:



This event uses Secreterrier

[Enter at secreterrier.com/events/3690/enter](http://Enteratsecreterrier.com/events/3690/enter)

or scan the QR code



Credit Card Entry fee is \$30.00 per dog per event (does NOT include processing fees). **Online Entries close Friday, August 14, 2026 @9:00PM (Central Time), unless the numerical limit is reached prior to the date after which time entries will not be accepted.**

We will be using Secreterrier for this event. If you have not yet registered your dogs with Secreterrier, you will need to complete this process (for each dog). It's free to register and you will only do it once.

Instructions for registering both you and your dogs can be found by using the link above. If you have used Secreterrier to other events, make sure you use the type in your email address CAREFULLY!

If you have NOT used Secreterrier click on the link below.

<https://www.secreterrier.com/accounts/register?type=user>

After entering your information, you will receive a confirmation email from Secreterrier. Make sure you check your spam if you can't find the email. If you don't receive an email, you may have typed your email address incorrectly, so you will need to register again. Click the link on the email you received and it should take you back to Secreterrier and tell you your email is now confirmed.

Log in to your account via the top right "User Login" button. Account Information. Click the "Account" button in the top right corner. You should see your account information. Click on the edit icon next to "Account Info" and add your address (you cannot enter events online without an address). Make sure you hit the submit button at the bottom of the page after entering your address so that it saves. We recommend verifying your phone number so that you can receive text messages from Secreterrier.

From the account page, click on the "Dogs" tab at the top of the page. Click the button that says "Register A Dog". After your dog's information is all entered, hit submit. If you type in your dog's call name incorrectly, you will have to archive the dog by clicking the archive icon to the left of the dog's call name and create a new registration.

IMPORTANT! For AKC dogs with 2 letters (including canine partners with MB) make sure you capitalize the 2 letters and then follow with the 8 numbers. You will use the drop down to choose type of registration for regular AKC registered dogs and Canine Partners, use the standard registration, not PAL.

You should be on your dog's information page and see a "Manage Connections" button. Click the button and there will be a selector for your dog to. This step is required if you want to enter events for a specific organization.

To get to the event page, go to “Upcoming” on the top navigation bar. Find your event, and click “details”. This will take you to the About Page.

Go to the Enter Tab. Here you will see all the dogs you have registered. Click on the dogs you want to enter. Select all the buttons that you want to enter, then hit “Get Entry Form”. This will bring a form for you to enter relevant information for all your selections.

Once you have filled out all of your forms for all of the dogs you want in the event. Click “No” when it asks to enter another dog. This will take you to use the User Dashboard and will automatically put everything from the event you just entered in your cart. Click “checkout” and add any promo codes (if applicable). Keep in mind that the Secretary can see which entries you used a promo code on, so use them at your own discretion. You will be prompted to enter payment information. Check and you should be directed to a processing payment page. If for some reason you do not get redirected to the checkout page and your payment goes through, Secreterrier will still handle the payment but it may take a few minutes.

Shortly after paying, you will receive a confirmation email. This will tell you the status of all your runs. This is also available if you to your User Dashboard.

An entry status of accepted means that your dog is entered an ready for the event!

An entry status of waitlisted means that the event is filled such that it is blocking your entry. You will be notified by Secreterrier if you come off the waitlist.

You can submit a refund request for entries that have a status of accepted. Whether or not your refund request is accepted is completely up to the discretion of the club (as noted in the terms and conditions). A refund request for an entry that does not have a status of Accepted will immediately be issued a refund. If you are waitlisted and do not submit a refund request, you will be automatically issued a refund when the event starts.

LATE / DAY OF ENTRIES

We will be accepting on site entries as long as open runs are available. On site registration begins at 10 a.m. and ends at 4PM. You must come to the field and check to make sure there are still openings EXCEPT SUNDAY. Sunday ends at 3PM. No, you will probably NOT run shortly after you arrive. You might register at 10AM but the next open time slot might be 2PM! You will then use the computer to enter (no paper entries accepted). Payment is in the form of Cash, Check, or Credit Card. We take entries on a first come, first served basis. You can sign up at one time for as many days/runs that are available - you do not have to come back each day. 95% of the time, morning time slots are filled by those that entered prior to closing. Don't be surprised/disappointed if afternoon slots are all we have left for on-site entries.

HEY HUMANS!

We dogs do not have thumbs SO... **YOU** are responsible for the accuracy of your entry form. Incomplete entries will NOT receive a run time sign up link until the Event Secretary receives all required information. Changes, additions, or corrections to an entry, entry substitutions, or cancellations must be received by email to the **Event** Secretary prior to the closing date of the test. Other means of notification will not be accepted.

All AKC Rules regarding sportsmanship & conduct apply.

Handler may carry toys or treats on their person to assist with retrieving their dogs at the completion of their run.

ROLL CALL

Roll Call is the time when participants are expected to check in by. Check-in will open 10 mins before each black is scheduled to run. (ie – 10-11AM block will open at 9:50AM). Check-in is followed by inspection for fitness, lameness and “in season” bitches. At inspection, all dogs will be examined for disqualifications. Bitches known to be in season are not to be brought to the test. At inspection, bitches in season, lame and unfit dogs will be excused with entry fee refunded. **DOGS MUST BE INSPECTED BEFORE EACH RUN.**

CAT TEST HOURS: Concurrent tests, start at 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. Friday-Saturday and 10AM until 4PM Sunday. Runs will be divided into one-hour time blocks with concurrent tests. We will do our best to accommodate requests, but preferred time blocks are not guaranteed. If all blocks fill, more time slots may be added to accommodate additional entries. Workers/volunteers may run their dogs prior to the first morning block, or their dogs may be added in during the day. We will do our best to work around conflicts. If you have a conflict, please let the Test Secretary know. Early acceptance of dogs for members of the event committee and workers may begin one hour prior to the published test hours.

WHAT MUST MY DOG DO TO PASS THE C.A.T.? The Coursing Ability Test (C.A.T.) is a pass/fail test. In order to pass, the dog must chase the plastic lure, and complete the course 1 time, by itself, with enthusiasm and without interruption within the maximum amount of time. The judge keeps the official time and decides the merits of the dog's performance. If there is a question which course a dog should run, the judge will decide.

Any dog that eliminates on course will receive a non-qualifying (NQ) score.

DISTANCE AND MAXIMUM TIME. Dogs run singly in Coursing Ability Test events.

Veteran dogs may run two-thirds of the normal distance at the owner's discretion.

Veteran dogs are defined for this test as dogs older than 7 years of age. A veteran dog's owner must declare prior to the start which distance the dog will run.

300 Yard Course. This distance is for dogs shorter than 12 inches at the withers and/or brachycephalic ("flat-faced") dogs. A veteran dog may run 200 yards at the owner's discretion. A dog must complete this course in less than 1 minute. Brachycephalic breeds are determined by the Parent Club.

600 Yard Course. This distance is used for all dogs that do not run the 300-yard course. A veteran dog may run 400 yards at the owner's discretion. A dog must complete this course in less than 2 minutes.

If there is a question whether a dog should run the 300 or 600-yard course, the judge will decide. The premium shall state the distance for each course and the eligibility of dogs for each course, including that veteran dogs may run two-thirds of the normal course distance at the owner's discretion.

CAN MY DOG EARN AN AKC TITLE FOR COURSING ABILITY?

Titles will be awarded for dogs that pass the coursing Ability test the required number of times. These are suffix titles that will appear on a dog's pedigree with a higher-level title superseding a lower level title. Coursing Ability (CA) -Awarded to a dog that passes the Coursing Ability Test 3 times under at least 2 different judges. It is the HANDLERS responsibility to ensure they have a different judge for at least 1 of their runs!

Coursing Ability Advanced (CAA) - Dog passes the Coursing Ability Test 10 times. The 3 previous runs count towards this title. So, the dog needs an additional 7 runs.

Coursing Ability Excellent (CAX)- Dog passes the Coursing Ability Test 25 times. The 10 previous runs count towards this title. So, the dog needs an additional 15 runs.

CAX Numeric Title: CAX 2,3,4, etc. For every 25 qualifying runs the dog earns another CAX title.

AWARDS

Rosettes for completing titles CA, CAA, CAX, CAX+, as available. Please notify Speed Dog in advance if you are anticipating a new title. Notification must be in writing via paper entry or online entry form.

SPECIAL/FUN AWARDS WILL BE GIVEN OUT EACH DAY! EXAMPLES:

Oldest Team (combined ages of handler and dog), Youngest Team (Combined ages of handler and dog), Most "creative" course (Judge to decide), Cheater, Cheater, Bunny Eater (Judge and Huntmaster to decide). Exact special / fun awards for this event to be determined and announced.

NOTICE TO EXHIBITORS

- These CAT events will be run and held in accordance with AKC Regulations and Policies. ALL DOGS RUN AT OWNER'S SOLE RISK.
- All AKC rules regarding sportsmanship and conduct apply.
- A gas, electric or battery operated continuous loop lure machine will be used. Backup equipment will be available. The lure will consist of plastic bags.

- An electronic break-the-beam timer will be used to record time. Dogs will be running on a natural grass surface.
- On site bathrooms will be available off the Heartwood Barn.
- The course will be fenced with temporary mesh fencing.
- The Huntmaster is responsible for field safety and therefore he/she is in complete charge of all dogs and handlers on the field. The Huntmaster has the authority to stop the lure in any potentially dangerous situation and signal the handler to retrieve the dog on the course.
- Running your dog will be brought to the start line on leash and released only upon a verbal signal "T" tally ho" from the Hunt master. It is recommended that dogs be handled with a "slip lead" that gives instantaneous freedom to the dog when "T" in tally ho" (release) sign is called by the Hunt master. Dogs may be released by hand, folded leash or using a traditional lure coursing slip lead.
- Coursing is an athletic activity that can tax a dog's physic endurance. Dogs that are out of shape and/or overweight may be at greater risk of injury or exhaustion. The inspection committee has the authority to disallow a dog's entry into a test, and in such instances, applicable entry fees will be refunded, service fee's will not be refunded.
- **The Test Committee, will make and enforce any rules they deem necessary to ensure the continuity of the Tests and the goodwill of the landowner.**
- No entries will be accepted by phone or fax.
- Changes, additions, or corrections to entry forms must be received in writing prior to the close of entries. Those received by telephone are not acceptable. Please notify the Secretary of any change of address.
- No entry shall be made, and no entry shall be accepted which specifies any condition as to its acceptance.
- Returned/Re-deposited/Post-dated checks do not constitute a valid entry.
- Waiver of Rights - The club reserves the right to remove any animal in distress from a parked vehicle or crate, and all persons attending these dog events hereby waive any claim for damages against the clubs for such removal. PLEASE NOTE: It is expressly understood that exhibitors or spectators alone are responsible for the behavior of their dogs and/or children. Any exhibitor or spectator whose dogs and/or children create unnecessary disturbances or repeatedly engage in unsafe or disruptive behavior or whose equipment creates an impediment to the safe flow of traffic may, at the discretion of the Event Committee, be asked to leave the event site. In such cases, no refund of any fees paid will be made.
- The American Kennel Club, Speed Dog Coursing, Event Secretary, their agents, employees, volunteers assume no responsibility for any loss, damage, or injury sustained by exhibitors, handlers, or any of their dogs or property and further assume no responsibility for injury to children & further expect exhibitors and spectators to keep their children and dogs under strict control of their dogs or property and further assumes no responsibility for injury to children or spectators before during or after this event.
- All AKC Rules and Regulations will be enforced by the Event Committee under AKC guidelines. Failure to comply with these rules will result in charges being brought

before the Event Committee.

- Any event hearing, disciplinary action, rule violations, complaints, or charges will be handled in accordance with the AKC Dealing with Misconduct booklet.
- No dogs allowed in rest rooms, and no washing of animal food containers in rest rooms.
- No entering restricted areas on the grounds and no relieving dogs in restricted areas.
- No videotaping or photography during the events for resale is permitted without the approval of the Host Club and the Official CAT Photographer.
- No baby strollers are allowed near the course during test hours.
- All dogs must be kept on leash except when actually competing inside the course.

AKC reserves the right to change daily event scheduling, cancel or reschedule any events during Fast CAT Invitational week should circumstances arise.



Be sure to sign up to receive text messages before and during the events. Watch for the "CAT" sign up page on www.akcfastcatinvitational.org

EQUIPMENT AND CREW

LURE EQUIPMENT: The CABT field is run with a gas machine (Bobinator) or a battery powered machine (Injoy)

TIMING DEVICES: Speed Dog uses and endorses Farm Tek electronic timing devices.

FIELD CONDITIONS: The field is fairly level. The surface is grass that is mowed short. The track is 600 yards from start to finish. Mounted entry and exit gates are also part of the track. The field is fully fenced with mesh fencing.

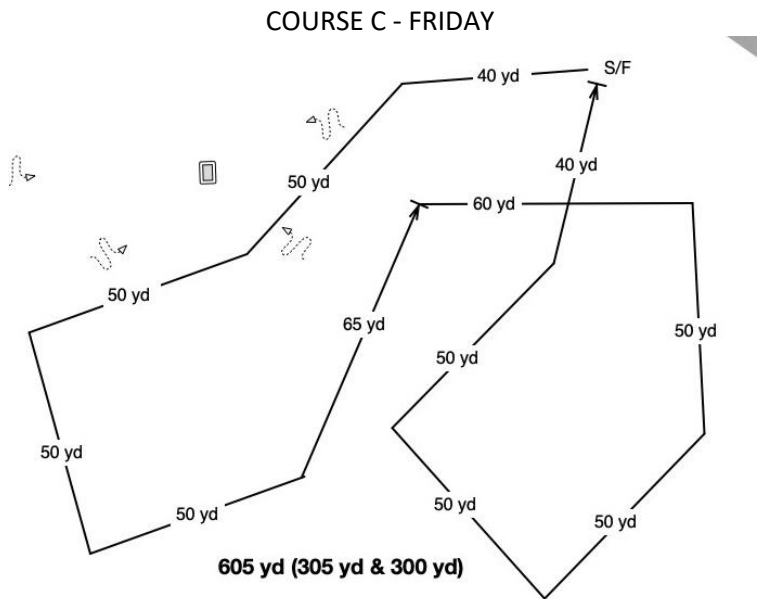
HUNT MASTERS: The Hunt Masters are not just someone standing at the start line twirling their arm. They are an integral part of the overall safety of the dog and human. They are in complete charge of all hounds and handlers on the field. They are responsible for calling the next dog/handler onto the course. They are responsible for making sure the correct dog is on the start line. They are responsible for checking collars. The Hunt Master explains the release and, if necessary, the retrieval before the dog is released. They are responsible for making sure the lure is in position and traveling in the correct direction before calling the dog/handler onto the course. The handler should communicate to the Hunt Master any special needs the dog may have fast, slow, old, new, etc). The Hunt Master will communicate any needs to the Lure Operator. The Hunt Master shall question the Lure Operator, Timer and Handlers asking "Are you ready?" After affirmative answers from all parties, the Hunt Masters will begin the course. They provide a hand signal to the Lure Operator to start the lure. They give the verbal signal "Tallyho" to release the dog from a standing start. The

dog should not be slipped before the sound of the "T" in "Tallyho". The Hunt Master will notify the Lure Operator, Timer and Handler of any issue with the release or the course that results in a rerun or non-qualifying score. The Hunt Master shall stop the lure in the event of a safety issue with the course or the dog.

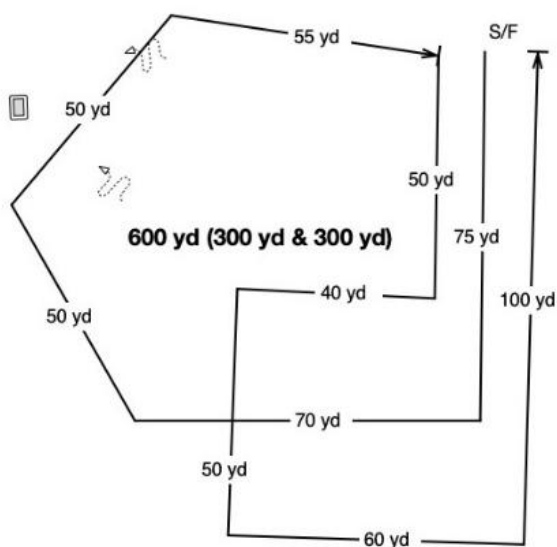
LURE OPERATOR: The Lure Operators are responsible for communicating to the Event Chair, any concerns regarding the track layout. They are responsible for operating the lure in a safe manner for all breeds. The Lure Operator will make a test run beforehand. The Lure Operator will receive communication from the Hunt Master regarding any special needs a particular dog may have (fast, slow, old new, etc). The Lure Operators will do all they can to ensure the safety of your dog. The Lure Operator will not move the lure at the end until the dog is leashed and off the course. For the utmost safety, the Lure Operator will position themselves so that they have a view of the entire course and will watch the dog the entire way until the dog is leashed and off the course. The Lure Operator will stop the lure on a signal from the Hunt Master, but shall automatically stop the lure any time a dog becomes entangled in the string or when a potentially dangerous situation may develop.

COURSE LAYOUT/DESIGN:

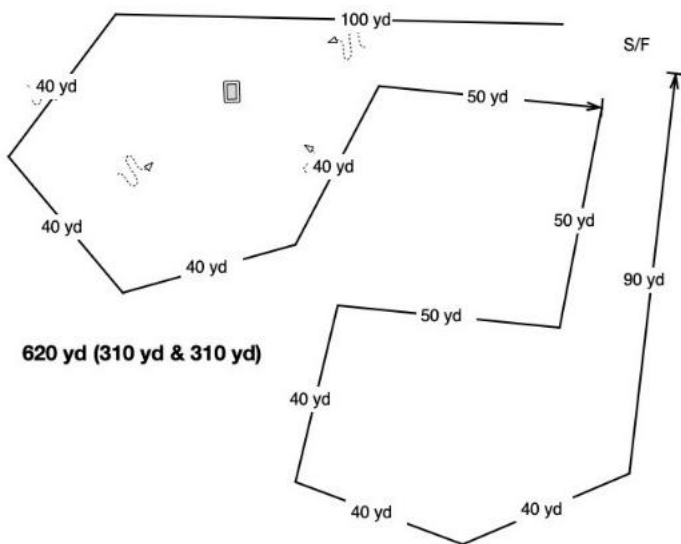
The AKC reserves the right to alter the course plan as required by weather and/or field conditions or other unforeseen circumstances. The lures consist of a white plastic bag and are pulled by a gas or electric operated machine. The field is grassy and will be fenced in with mesh fencing.



COURSE A - SATURDAY



COURSE B - SUNDAY



AKC Rules/Regulations/Policies – This event will be held in accordance with the [AKC Coursing Ability Test \(CAT\) and Fast CAT® Regulations](#) and the [Dealing with Misconduct Booklet](#), and any AKC Fit Dog policies/guidelines as well as any other applicable AKC rules/regulations or policies

OFFICIAL AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB – OPEN CATS

9/18-20/2026 Event: #205277124-29 - Branson, MO (\$30 entry per event)

Club: American Kennel Club	☐ 2026277124 Friday	☐ 2026277128 Sunday
	☐ 2026277125 Friday	☐ 2026277129 Sunday
Location: Branson, MO	☐ 2026277126 Saturday	
	☐ 2026277127 Saturday	
Event: CAT(CABT)	Breed:	Amount Paid: \$
AKC No:	SEX:	Date of Birth:
Call Name:	ILP/PAL No. Or Foreign No. & List Country:	
Full Name of DOG:		
Owners Name:		
Owner's Address:		
City:	State:	Zip Code:
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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. 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 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.		
Signature of owner or his/her agent duly authorized to make this entry:		
Telephone:	Email:	
Entry Fees are \$25.00 per dog per test. Checks should be made payable to: Event Secretary Gary Webb 4474 Jonesville Rd Clarkrange, TN 38553 (707)733-3644		

Online Entry Link (Please use this even if you are paying by check - no need to send in paper entry form)

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OFFICIAL AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB – OPEN CATs

9/18-20/2026 Event: #2025277124-29 - Branson, MO (\$30 entry per event)

CAT TIME BLOCK SELECTION																									
DOG'S CALL NAME:																									
Pick your time blocks for the dog you have entered to run in. Make sure you choose the correct date and test for that entry. Time Blocks are not guaranteed, but we will do our best to accommodate. This is a concurrent test, so you may run your dog in the same time block for both tests																									
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