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**Fast CAT PREMIUM – AKC ALL BREED**

# **Connecticut River Valley Golden Retriever Club**

at

## **Showcase For Dogs**

121 North Road East Windsor, CT 06088

**Saturday, August 10th, 2024 & Sunday, August 11th, 2024**

FastCAT Event #: #2024498202 / #2024498203

#2024498204 / #2024498205

overnight entries **MUST** make sure it does **NOT** require a signature

**4 Fast CAT Tests over 2 days**

**LIMIT 90 ENTRIES PER EVENT (180 Dogs Per Day)**

**ENTRIES OPEN: Monday, June 17th, 2024**

**ENTRIES CLOSE: Friday, August 2nd, 2024**

**Field: Back Field**

**For ALL dogs at least 12 months of age**

**And individually registered with the AKC**

This includes all AKC registered purebreds, Foundation Stock Service (FSS), Purebred Alternative Listing (PAL) and AKC Canine Partners spayed or neutered dogs or dogs with breed disqualifications may be entered.



### **CERTIFICATION**

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

Gina M DiNardo, Secretary

**CHECK IN AND INSPECTION.** Check In will occur on a rolling basis throughout the day. The two Fast CAT Tests each day will be run **CONCURRENTLY**, so a dog entered in both Tests will run twice within an hour or so. Exhibitors will be given an approximate start time and should be available for Check In an hour before run time. Check In is then immediately followed by Inspection for fitness, lameness, or “in season” females. Each female dog will be inspected. The dog owner will be required to wipe the dog with tissue to show the dog is not in season.

Coursing is an athletic activity that can tax a dog’s physical strength. Dogs that are overweight and/or out of condition may be at greater risk for injury and 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. At roll call, all dogs will be measured by a wicket to verify handicaps.

Bitches in season, lame and unfit dogs will be excused with entry refunded. Please do not bring **bitches** in season to the test.

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**WE ANTICIPATE FULL CAPACITY AND WILL NOT ISSUE “NOSHOW” REFUNDS FOR ANY REASON**

**Gate Entries: \$25 per dog, per test**

**\$30 per dog for entries received after closing date of August 2nd**

### **TEST HOURS**

Grounds will be available at 7:15 AM. CHECK IN 7:45 AM

**Trial restrictions:** It is the responsibility of each entrant to try to be ready when their dog is called to the line. Trial will begin promptly at 8:00 AM with workers dogs and until all runs are completed. 16 to 18 dogs will be scheduled to run each hour and concurrent trials will be in effect. Once your two runs are completed you **MUST** leave the grounds

8:00AM First Dog on the line

**Trials will be run concurrently each day.**

**Course Fully Fenced !!!**

**\*Continuous Loop Lure Operation & Electronic timers**

### **Connecticut River Valley Golden Retriever Club**

Wendy Davis..... *President*  
Christine Valls ..... *Vice-President*  
Phyllis Wilhelm ..... *Secretary*  
Kristian Friedrich ..... *Treasurer*

### **EVENT COMMITTEE**

Linda Friedrich ..... *Event Chair*  
Gail Manizza, Angie Genovese and Annette Fortune ..... *Inspection Committee*  
Field Committee..... *Linda Friedrich, Kristian Friedrich,  
Wendy Davis, Karen Richard, Sharon Platt*

Nannette Lipinski ..... *Event Secretary*  
*P.O. Box 848, Fort Montgomery, NY 10922 lipinskifastcats@yahoo.com*

Dana Lane, Kris Friedrich, Bill Zimmer ..... *Lure Operators*

Deborah Donovan and Donna Evans .....*Huntmasters*

**In the event of unforeseen circumstances, the event committee may change.  
Substitutions may occur with available club members .**

## **AWARDS**

A Flat LIGHT blue ribbon for a passing qualifying run

## **EMERGENCYVET**

New England Veterinary Center and Cancer Center  
955 Kennedy Road  
Windsor, CT 06095  
860 - 688- 8400

Directions from Showcase for Dogs: turn right onto Rt 140 – go 1.5 miles. Take RT. 91 South to Exit 39-41 Center St. Turn left onto S. Center St. Turn right onto Archer Rd, turn left onto Kennedy Rd and continue to 955 Kennedy Rd.

## **ACCOMODATIONS**

PLEASE CHECK WITH EACH HOTEL REGARDING DOGS BEING ALLOWED

**Rodeway Inn:** 161 Bridge St East Windsor CT 1-888-516-1090

**Baymont by Wyndham East Windsor** 260 Main Street, East Windsor, CT 06088, 866-925-7881

**La Quinta Inn & Suites** 64 Ella Grasso Turnpike, Windsor Locks, CT 866-539-5067

**Candlewood Suites Windsor Locks** 149 Ella Grasso Turnpike, Windsor Locks, CT 866-925-7881

Any exhibitor who allows his/her dogs to be loose and unattended in a room or to do damage to hotel property and who then does not immediately contact the hotel management to make proper restitution will be subject to Event Committee action which could result in the loss of AKC privileges. This also applies to cleaning up after your dog at the hotel/motel grounds.

**Directions to Site: Showcase for Dogs 121 North Road, East Windsor, CT 06088**

From Rt 91 North:

Take Exit 45, take a left at the light at the end of the Exit Ramp, go 1.5 miles and look for the site on the left at Forovan Way.

From Rt 91 South:

Take Exit 45, take a right at the light at the end of the Exit Ramp, go 1.5 miles and look for the site on the left at Forovan Way.

On Site Parking: **DRIVE AND PARK ONLY WHERE INDICATED;** Parking will be marked. Parking is free. Tenting is allowed under the trees or on the grass areas surrounding the fencing.

Cool Down Station: Water hoses and kiddie pools will be available. Dogs are welcome to cool down as necessary.

### NOTICES

**Entry fee: \$25 per dog, for each event**

**\$30 per dog for entries received after closing  
date of August 2nd.**

Please mail entries to: **Nannette Lipinski, Event Secretary**  
P.O. Box 848, Fort Montgomery, NY 10922  
(703)973-1139 lipinskifastcats@yahoo.com

**Makes checks payable to: CRVGRC**

A return check fee of \$25.00 will be assessed for any check(s) returned for insufficient funds

### Weather Event Policy:

“In case of dangerous or doubtful weather conditions, the Trial Chair will notify the Trial Secretary of cancellations or schedule changes by 7am on the day of the trial. The Trial Secretary will then notify all entrants via email to the change in schedule. The schedule change will also be posted on the Showcase for Dogs website, and on Facebook. In the event of all 4 trials being canceled, checks will be shredded. If only some trials are canceled this weekend, refunds will be issued. “

**\*\* PICK UP AFTER YOUR DOGS \*\***

**Be respectful of the property and other entrants.**

**ALL DOGS RUN AT OWNER'S SOLE RISK**

**Please bring shade and water for your dog(s)**

Not AKC registered???? - Visit the American Kennel Club website and enroll your dog online

<http://www.akc.org/dog-owners/canine-partners/enroll/>

## WHAT MUST MY DOG DO TO PASS A Fast CAT?

Fast CAT, unlike the CAT, is not a pass/fail, but a timed 100-yard dash after a lure past a start line and over a finish line. Break Beam Timers will be used. If the timers become inoperable, we have stop watches as a backup system. The time is converted to MPH and then multiplied by a potential handicap based on the dog's height to award points.

We will be using a continuous loop lure

The Fast CAT Track and run out are fully fenced.

The Lure will run down the center of the track and will return without obstructing the exit

## CAN MY DOG EARN AN AKC TITLE FOR Fast CAT?

Titles are earned by accumulating points. The following titles will be awarded: BCAT = 150 points; DCAT = 500 points; FCAT = 1,000 points; and FCAT followed by a number (e.g. FCAT2) for every additional 500 points. These suffix titles will appear on a dog's pedigree, with a higher-level title superseding a lower level title.

## What is the Fast CAT?

1. Fast CAT is a timed straight 100-yard dash for dogs.
2. Dogs are held at the start line and the coursing lure is activated prompting the dog to follow chasing it to the finish line and into a catch pen. The course is completely fenced, and dogs are run individually.
3. The time is converted to miles per hour (MPH).

FORMULA:  $204.545 / \text{RUN TIME} = \text{MPH}$  Based on the dog's size at the withers, a handicap is applied to calculate points earned

- 18" or greater = Handicap is 1.0
- 12" up to less than 18" = Handicap is 1.5.
- Under 12" = Handicap is 2.0. (ROUNDED TO NEAREST 0.01)

4. FORMULA:  $\text{MPH} \times \text{HANDICAP} = \text{POINTS}$

5. Titles are earned at specific point levels and the highest suffix may appear after the dog's name:

BCAT = 150 points

DCAT = 500 points

FCAT = 1,000 points

FCAT# = Each additional 500 points

Top 20 by Breed by Year The AKC Fast CAT website will feature the Top 20 fastest dogs by breed. Dogs must complete at least 3 qualifying runs in each calendar year to qualify for **the Top 20**. The standings will be updated as event results are processed at [https://www.apps.akc.org/apps/fastcat\\_ranking](https://www.apps.akc.org/apps/fastcat_ranking)

**ACCORDING TO AKC RULES:** Handlers are not permitted to run with a dog during an official run but must remain either at the start or finish area of the course. Handlers are not to allow dogs to be enticed through the course with anything other than the lure during its official run. NO mechanical devices including whistles, horns, bull horns, etc. or toys including the waving of objects to lure the dog to the finish line are allowed. You MAY CHEER and use the dog's name.

Be prompt at the start line when your number is called. It is best to have one person release your dog and have the primary owner calling and catching the dog at the finish line in the catch area.

Be sure to "warm up" your dog prior to your run. It is equally important to give your dog a "cool down" walk after the run. This will add to the health and well-being of your dog.

## Collar Rules:

Dogs may run without a collar or wear any type of collar except choker collars, electronic training collars or head collar. Collars should be snug. Hanging tags pose a safety concern and it is suggested that tags be secured to the collar with tape. Dogs may run muzzled if desired. Clips or rubber bands may be used to keep long hair from falling across the dog's field of vision.

## NOTICES

All entrants must have a FastCAT partner who will either be responsible for releasing the dog at the start line or catching the dog in the catch pen. If an entrant acquires a volunteer on the day of the event, (either Showcase Staff, Club member or other entrant), those volunteers will not be held liable for the actions of the dog, to include:

1. Poor start
2. Inability to control/catch the dog at the finish. It is encouraged to have a FastCAT partner familiar with the dog to catch the dog to avoid anxiety.
3. Owners with overstimulated dogs who need assistance to the start line will be handled with special care. The Paddock and Huntsperson may request early entry, separation from the "wait" line, or special action necessary to allow for a safe run for the dog and for the safety of everyone in the "wait" line.
4. Dogs who pose control problems in the catch area may require special assistance. The lure operators will "hold the course" until the dog is safe and under control at the finish line.

All dogs should be "warmed up" before running, which means a good 5-minute walk after leaving the car BEFORE running, and "cooled down" after running, which means a good 5 to 10 minute walk before entering the car

**ALL DOGS RUN AT OWNER'S SOLE RISK:** This is a rain-or-shine outdoor event. Please plan accordingly.

All AKC rules regarding sportsmanship and conduct apply. All entries must be 12 months of age or older on the day of the test.

Please bring your own shade, chairs and water. On site bathrooms (port-a-potties) are available.

You are responsible for controlling your dog(s) and children. Dogs must be on lead or crated unless running.

A fine will be assessed for any loose dog on the field not competing, or an exhibitor caught not picking up after their dog.

Bitches in season and lame dogs will be excused. Entry fees will be refunded.

Any person, upon reasonable complaint, may be asked to leave the grounds of the field trial by the Field Committee and may be disciplined by the AKC. Children must be under control of their parent(s) or guardian(s) at all times.

Neither Showcase for Dogs nor CRVGRC and its members will be held responsible for any accidents at these tests. The field committee reserves the right to bar known aggressive dogs from the event site.

**NO ONE** will be allowed on the field without the express permission of the event chairman, except the appointed event committee.

Anybody exhibiting unsportsmanlike behavior will be excused from the field and may be subject to further disciplinary action.

There will be a \$5 fine assessed for any loose dog not taking part in the course in progress, or for anybody caught not picking up after their dog or for leaving garbage on the field.

The event-hosting club, the Connecticut River Valley Golden Retriever Club, its agents, members, representatives, volunteers, etc., assume no liability or responsibility for any loss, damage or injury sustained by exhibitors, handlers, or to any of their dogs or property and further assumes no responsibility for injury to children or spectators before, during, or after this event.

**The Connecticut River Valley Golden Retriever Club has the right to cancel any event without notice at their discretion, due to inclement weather or unsafe field conditions deemed an endangerment to the dogs or their owners.**



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## Recreational Vehicle Information Form

Owner Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact number: \_\_\_\_\_

RV size: \_\_\_\_\_

Projected arrival time/date \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred parking:

Ring side \_\_\_\_\_

Under tree. \_\_\_\_\_

Parking lot \_\_\_\_\_

Clean out service requested \_\_\_\_\_ yes \_\_\_\_\_ no

Note:

1. No fires are allowed on the property
2. Dry camping only
3. Clean out request must be paid separately
4. Nightly charge: \$20.00

In Case of emergency: Call Annette Fortune. 860-930-5142

Send form to:

[showcasefordogs@aol.com](mailto:showcasefordogs@aol.com)

Or

Annette Fortune  
106 North Street  
East Windsor, CT. 06088

AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB FAST CAT ENTRY FORM ENTRIES RECEIVED EARLY/ INCOMPLETE WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.  
Please select one or more trials to enter Pre-Entry fee is \$25 per dog, per trial. \$30 per dog, per trial for entries received after closing date of August 2nd.

WAIVER FOR FAST CAST EVENTS

HOST: Connecticut River Valley Golden Retriever Club

SITE: SHOWCASE FOR DOGS

DATE OF EVENT(s): Saturday, August 10th, 2024 & Sunday, August 11th, 2024

AKC Rules, Regulations, Policies and Guidelines are available on the American Kennel Club website: [www.akc.org](http://www.akc.org)  
AGREEMENT I CERTIFY that I am the actual owner of this 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 trial, and by any additional rules and regulations appearing in the premium list for this trial, and entry form. I (we) certify and represent that the dog entered is not a hazard to persons or other dogs. The entry is submitted for acceptance on the foregoing representation and Agreement. I (we) agree that the club holding this event has the right to refuse this entry for cause which the club shall deem sufficient. In consideration of the acceptance of this entry and of the holding of this event and of the opportunity to have the dog judged and to win prize money, 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 or lessor of the premises and any provider of services that are necessary to hold this event and any employees or volunteers of the aforementioned parties, and any AKC approved judge, judging at this event, harmless from any claim for loss or injury which may be alleged to have been caused directly or indirectly to any person or thing by the act of this dog while in or about the event premises or grounds or near any entrance thereto, and I (we) personally assume all responsibility and liability for any such claim; and I (we) further agree to hold the aforementioned parties harmless from any claim for loss, injury or damage to this dog. Additionally, I (we) hereby assume the sole responsibility for and agree to indemnify, defend and save the aforementioned parties harmless from any and all loss and expense (including legal fees) by reason of the liability imposed by law upon any of the aforementioned parties for damage because of bodily injuries, including death at any time resulting there from, sustained by any person or persons, including myself (ourselves) or on account of damage to property, arising out of or in consequence of my (our) participation in this event, however such, injuries death or property damage may be caused, and whether or not the same may have been caused or may be alleged to have been caused by the negligence of the aforementioned parties or any of their employees, agents, or any other persons. I (WE) AGREE THAT ANY CAUSE OF ACTION, CONTROVERSY OR CLAIM ARISING OUT OF OR RELATED TO THE ENTRY, EXHIBITION OR ATTENDANCE AT THE EVENT BETWEEN THE AKC AND 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.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

By signing above, I acknowledge that the Connecticut River Valley Golden Retriever Club and Showcase For Dogs are not liable parties.





**AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB FAST CAT ENTRY FORM**  
**ENTRIES RECEIVED EARLY/ INCOMPLETE WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.**

Please select one or more trials to enter

**Pre-Entry fee is \$25 per dog, per trial**

**\$30 per dog, per trial for entries received after closing date of August 2nd. and no refunds after closing date.**

Saturday, Aug. 10th Test#1 [  ] Test#2 [  ]      Sunday, Aug. 11th Test#1 [  ] Test#2 [  ]

