

PREMIUM LIST

AKC All-Breed Fast Coursing Ability Test



Merrimac Dog Training Club September 26-27, 2023

Tue, September 26, 2022 Event #2023022831 and #2023022832
Wed, September 27, 2022 Event #2023022833 and #2023022834

EACH EVENT LIMITED TO 100 ENTRIES
ENTRIES CLOSE ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2023

Event Location

Providence Park
952 Reon Drive
Virginia Beach, Virginia 23464

Entry Fee

\$22.00 per entry per dog per test
(Includes \$3.50 AKC recording fee)

Closing date is Tuesday, September 19, 2023. No day of show entries will be permitted. Incomplete, unsigned, or conditional entries will not be accepted. Entries are accepted online at <https://www.sugarloafmountainracing.com> and no other methods of entry will be permitted. Online entries will have an additional \$0.50 processing fee added per entry. **Mailed paper entries with checks will be rejected and destroyed.**

Conditions of Entry

Entries will be limited to 100 dogs per event, two events daily running concurrently 8:00AM-2:00PM. You may leave all your dog's awards and pick them up on the last day you are entered. **Run your dog with a small break between runs if entered twice, and you are free to leave after both runs. The run order is based on order of entries received. No preferences shall be granted for dogs to run early. All refunds are subject to a \$3.00 administrative fee per entry. No refunds after closing date.**

In consideration of the Samoyed National Dog Show being held at the same time as these Fast CAT events, Samoyeds will be scheduled to run at 8:00AM so they can participate in the National's activities. Any owner who wishes to run their dog later can do so by simply arriving before the event is scheduled to finish at 1:00 pm.

Dogs must have an AKC registration number and be at least one year of age on the day of the event. Dogs may only run once per test. Entries received by phone, text, or email will not be accepted. Incomplete entries or forms without signature will not be accepted. 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.



LICENSED BY THE AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB

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

Merrimac Dog Training Club

Officers

PRESIDENT Ginger Wade
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Field Committee

Mary Sweany, Joan Lutz, Lynda Fairchild
Anne Bright, Yolanda Williamson

Lure Operator

Ching-Yao Yu, Sugarloaf Mountain Terrier Racing Company
AKC Judge #101309

Photographer

Phil Dunn
<https://www.fastcatphil.com>

What is Fast CAT?

Fast CAT is a timed straight 100-yard dash for dogs. 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. Dogs are timed when they complete the 100-yard dash. The time is converted to Miles Per Hour (MPH).

FORMULA: $204.545 / \text{RUN TIME} = \text{MPH}$
 $\text{MPH} \times \text{HANDICAP} = \text{POINTS (ROUNDED TO NEAREST 0.01)}$

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

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

MPH X HANDICAP = POINTS

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

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. Dogs will be examined for lameness before running. Bitches in season, lame and unfit dogs will be excused with entry refunded. **Please do not bring bitches in season not competing to the events.**

Event Hours

Grounds will be available at 7:00 AM. **There will be no on-site event briefing.** It is the responsibility of each entrant to make an effort to be ready when their dog is called to the line. Events will begin promptly at 8:00AM until all runs are completed.

Prizes and Rosettes

Merrimac Dog Training Club will offer a light blue flat ribbon for a passing qualifying run.

Merrimac Dog Training Club will have a limited number of title rosettes available. Please notify the event show chair, via email, if you will be earning a new title to ensure that the club will have rosettes available.

The Potomac Valley Samoyed Club will support entries in these Fast CAT events by awarding first through fourth place rosettes for the fastest Samoyeds in each event. PVSC will also award the following special rosettes to those Samoyeds who enter all 4 events and have the highest total points in their class: Fastest Male Samoyed in Competition; Fastest Female in Competition; Fastest Male Veteran in Competition; and Fastest Female Veteran in Competition. Veterans are those dogs 7 years or older on the first day of competition. These winners will also be awarded a custom trophy by Andrea Eicher of Switzerland of a felted Samoyed with a hare friend on a wooden base with title and the dates of the events.

For Samoyeds earning BCAT, DCAT, or FCAT titles at these events, PVSC will award special rosettes. Owners can have their dog's name and titles added to the streamers by sending that information and the Fast CAT title being earned to Janice Lynch, lynchjanicem@gmail.com when registering their dog.

Top 20 by Breed by Year

The AKC Fast CAT website will feature the Top 20 Fastest Dogs by Breed by Year national standings. The standings will be updated as event results are processed at https://www.apps.akc.org/apps/fastcat_ranking

Event Site Directions

From Founders Inn:

Turn left onto Indian River Road, proceed 0.7 mile, and turn right onto Reon Road.

From Dover and North:

US-13 south and merge with I-64 east toward Chesapeake/Suffolk, then take Exit 286A Indian River Road, and turn right immediately onto Reon Road.

From Richmond and West:

I-64 east toward Chesapeake/Suffolk, then take Exit 286A Indian River Road, and turn right immediately onto Reon Road.

Motel Information

- Red Roof Inn, 196 Ballard Ct, Virginia Beach, VA 23462
- Hilton Garden Inn Chesapeake/Greenbrier, 1565 Crossways Blvd, Chesapeake VA 23320
- LaQuinta Inn by Wyndham, 192 Newtown Rd, Virginia Beach, VA 23462

RV Information

No overnight RV parking at Providence Park. There is a KOA located at 1240 General Booth Blvd, Virginia Beach, VA 23451.

Veterinarian

Virginia Beach Animal Hospital
2013 Pleasure House Road, Virginia Beach, VA 23455
757-460-3308

Bay Beach Veterinary Emergency Hospital
2476 Nimmo Parkway #101, Virginia Beach, VA 23456
757-427-3214

Event Information

- Please pick up after your dog so we can continue to use this wonderful facility. Any exhibitor caught not cleaning up after their dog will be asked to leave the event grounds. No refund will be given if this occurs. **A \$5.00 fine will be assessed for any loose dog on the field not competing.**
- Dogs should be warmed up before and cooled down after running.
- **ALL DOGS RUN AT OWNER'S SOLE RISK**
- All entries must be 12 months of age or older on the day of the test.
- All AKC rules regarding sportsmanship and conduct apply.
- This is a rain-or-shine outdoor event. Please plan accordingly. Please bring your own shade, chairs and water.
- An electronic timing system will be used. An electric, continuous loop, plastic strip lure machine will be used.
- The show grounds are not completely fenced. The FAST CAT course will be fenced. See photo for example of sheep fencing used for the course.
- On site bathrooms are available.
- Dogs must be on lead or crated unless running.
- You are responsible for controlling your dogs and children.
- Each dog requires an individual entry. You may use one form to enter one dog for all events. Use the checkbox and mark off each event you wish to enter, \$22.00 per entry.
- Bitches in season and lame dogs will be excused.
- The huntmaster is responsible for field safety and therefore he/she is in complete charge of all dogs and handlers on the field. In service to this responsibility, he/she has the authority to stop the lure in any potentially dangerous situation and signal the handler to retrieve the dog on the course.
- Persons exhibiting conduct detrimental to the AKC, Merrimac Dog Training Club, any dog(s)/other person(s) will be asked to leave the event site by the Field Committee, maybe disciplined by the AKC, and **entry fees will not be refunded.**
- **No entry fees will be refunded** if the event cannot be started or completed by reason of riots, civil disturbances, fire, extreme and/or dangerous weather conditions, an act of God, public emergency, act of a public enemy, strikes or any other cause beyond the control of the Club or the event-hosting clubs.
- Merrimac Dog Training 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.

Notice To All Exhibitors

All exhibitors must be responsible for cleaning up after their dogs on the motel, RV and event grounds. Motels require that dogs be crated when unattended. Any damages to motels, RV sites or the event site can result in disciplinary action by the Event Committee. It is expected that exhibitors will clean up immediately after their own dogs and strongly encourage others to do the same. All owners/exhibitors should be aware that the entire motel grounds and RV sites are considered within the event grounds. You will be responsible for all damage to your room/site and may be subject to disciplinary action in accordance with the rules of the AKC. Any abuse of the grounds will be brought to the attention of the event-giving club and its Event Committee. Any exhibitor's entries may be refused for previous misuse of the motel or RV facilities. This is an AKC supported measure.