Event # 2024080415

Entries will be accepted beginning at 9:00 A.M. (EDT) Monday, August 19,2024

ENTRIES CLOSE AT 6:00 PM (EDT) Saturday, October 13, 2024

Premium List
VIZSLA CLUB OF AMERICA, INC.
(MEMBER OF THE AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB)

2024 NATIONAL FIELD TRIAL

Friday, November 1 2024 through Conclusion
The Sportsmen's Association Grounds, 10321 Parks Creek Rd., Grovespring, MO

Running order will be available at VCA Webpage https://vcaweb.org/events/national-field-trial/ Wednesday, October 16, 2024. Please include a legible email address on the entry form to receive an email with a running order as soon as it is available.

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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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STAKE MANAGERS
Open Puppy ~ Melissa Thomas
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Addresses and Directions (see page 14)

VIZSLA CLUB OF AMERICA, INC.
2024 NATIONAL FIELD TRIAL
November 1, 2024– to conclusion
The Sportsmen's Association Grounds, Grovespring, MO

This Field Trial is held under Rules and Procedures of THE AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB.
All stakes open to Vizslas only. Bitches in season may compete in all stakes.
Conditionally registered dogs are not eligible to enter the VCA National Field Trial.

This trial is being run under the flexible format option and the club reserves the right to rearrange the running order of the stakes and add/rearrange judges.

A. National Amateur Field Championship

1. Qualification- Open to any Vizsla six months of age or over that has met at least one of the following qualifications: Earned an AKC Amateur Field Champion title or ever placed first, second, third or fourth in eight (8) dogs started or first in an 4-7 dog started Amateur All-Age Stake, Amateur Limited All-Age Stake, Amateur Gun Dog Stake, or Amateur Limited Gun Dog Stake in an AKC licensed or member field trial.
2. Type of Stake - Two Series
   a. First Series: single course without a bird field.
      1) 30-minute duration
      2) Non-retrieving, blank pistol only
   b. Second Series: retrieving in designated retrieving area or first bird may be shot on course.
      1) 45-minute duration
      2) Shooting by designated gunners only.
      3) The same handler that handles a dog in the first series of the National Amateur Field Championship stake must handle that dog in the second series of that stake.
      4) Dogs that go bird-less in the first series cannot be invited to the second series in either championship stake except under the most extreme and unusual circumstances. Dogs that go bird-less in the second series cannot be called back for a retrieve.
      5) Horseback Handling will be allowed in both series.
3. Championship- If a Champion is declared, the title of NATIONAL AMATEUR FIELD CHAMPION of ____ (year) will be bestowed and three additional placements may be given. Judges' Awards of Merit may be awarded. If the judges determine no dogs measured up to championship caliber, a champion will not be declared and first place will be withheld. Placements for 2nd, 3rd and 4th may be given.
4. Dogs will be judged in accordance with AKC field trial rules and procedures for pointing breeds requiring a retrieve and according to AKC pointing dog guidelines with both series taken into consideration in awarding placements.

B. Derby Classic

1. Qualification- Open to any Vizsla over 6 months of age and less than two years of age on the first advertised day of the trial that has ever placed in an amateur or open puppy stake or placed in an amateur or open derby stake.
2. Type of Stake- One-Half hour (30 minute) duration.
3. First through fourth place may be awarded as well as judges' awards of merit.
4. To be judged according to the Derby Standard as published in the AKC Field Trial Rules and Standard Procedure for Pointing Breeds rule book.

C. National Field Championship

1. Qualification- Open to any Vizsla six months of age or over that has met at least one of the following qualifications: Earned an AKC Field Champion or Amateur Field Champion title, or that has ever placed first, second, third or fourth in an Grand Open Limited Stake, Open-All Age Stake, Amateur All-Age Stake, Open Limited All-Age Stake, Amateur Limited All-Age Stake, Open Gun Dog Stake, Amateur Gun Dog Stake, Open Limited Gun Dog Stake, or Amateur Limited Gun Dog Stake in which at least eight (8) dogs started in an AKC licensed or member field trial.
2. Type of Stake - Two Series
   a. First Series: single course without a bird field.
      1) 30-minute duration
      2) Non-retrieving, blank pistol only
   b. Second Series: retrieving in designated retrieving area or first bird may be shot on course.
      1) 60-minute duration
      2) Shooting by designated gunners only.
      3) The same handler that handles a dog in the first series of the National Field Championship stake must handle that dog in the second series of that stake.
      4) Dogs that go bird-less in the first series cannot be invited to the second series in either championship stake except under the most extreme and unusual circumstances. Dogs that go bird-less in the second series cannot be called back for a retrieve.
      5) Horseback Handling will be allowed in both series.
      6) Trial run with a 30-minute first series and a 60-minute second series.
3. Championship- If a Champion is declared, the title of NATIONAL FIELD CHAMPION of ____ (year) will be bestowed and three additional placements may be given. Judges' Awards of Merit may be awarded. If the judges determine no dogs measured up to championship caliber, a champion will not be declared and first place will be withheld. Placements for 2nd, 3rd and 4th may be given.
4. Dogs will be judged in accordance with AKC field trial rules and procedures for pointing breeds requiring a retrieve and according to AKC pointing dog guidelines with both series taken into consideration in awarding placements.

D. Open Puppy

1. Qualification- Open to any Vizsla over 6 months of age and less than 15 months of age.
2. Type of Stake- 20-minute duration
3. First through fourth place may be awarded as well as judges' awards of merit.
4. To be judged according to the Puppy Standard as published in the AKC Pointing Breed rule book. If a dog makes bird contact, a blank will NOT be fired. Bird contact is not required for a placement.

All Vizslas entered must be free of any disqualifying faults as stated in the Official Standard for the Vizsla recognized by the American Kennel Club (see page 8).

A Vizsla is ineligible to compete in the Vizsla Club of America National Field Trial if trained on the Field Trial Grounds 30 days prior to the first advertised date of the National Field Trial. (This does not include running on those grounds in a Field Trial or Hunt Test during the previous week.)

MAIL ADVANCE ENTRIES WITH CHECKS

Melissa Thomas, 1606 Porter Road, Cassatt, SC 29032

(915) 487-9419, Email: vcafieldtrialsec@gmail.com

(Telephone and Fax entries are not accepted) A $30.00 charge will be added on all returned items.

Overnight mail entries must include signature waiver permitting them to be left at Trial Secretary's address without receipt signature. Any entries sent requiring a signature for delivery will be returned.

(Please make checks payable to Vizsla Club of America and note "ENTRY FEE" in the memo field.)

EMAIL ENTRIES ARE ACCEPTED WITH PAYMENT BY PAYPAL

(The payee is vcafieldne@gmail.com, and MEMO that the payment is for "2024 NFT ENTRY FEES".)

Entries will be accepted at 9:00 a.m. (EDT) on Monday, August 19, 2024.

Entries and Payment must be received before 6:00 p.m. (EDT) Sunday, October 13, 2024

The drawing will take place at Trial Secretary's Residence ~ 1606 Porter Road, Cassatt, SC 29032 at 7:00 p.m. (EDT) Sunday, October 13, 2024.

JUDGES AND STAKES TO BE JUDGED

National Open Puppy

Gary Fromme	AKC #95412	15941 E Lehigh Cir., Aurora, CO
Justin Hess	AKC #100159	2527 Littlefield Dr., Exira, IA

National Amateur Championship

Gary Fromme	AKC #95412	15941 E Lehigh Cir., Aurora, CO
Justin Hess	AKC #100159	2527 Littlefield Dr., Exira, IA

National Derby Classic

Grace Anne Lawson	AKC #42441	4370 Spoonbill Ct., Powhatan, VA
Mark Johnson	AKC #Z8880	2985 N Keith Rd., Winnebago, IL

National Championship

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STAKES, SCHEDULES AND ENTRY FEES

NATIONAL OPEN PUPPY	$75.00
Not before 7:00 a.m., (CDT) November 1, 2024	
NATIONAL AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP	
To follow the Open Puppy	$150.00
NATIONAL DERBY CLASSIC	
To follow the National Amateur Championship	$100.00
NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP	
To follow the Derby Classic	$150.00

COURSES, BIRDS, MISC.

Bobwhite Quail/Chukar will be released in all stakes.
Native game may be present in all stakes.

Horse-back handling will be permitted in all stakes.
Handler's horses are not included in the entry fee.
No Roading in the Gallery.

Tracking collars will be permitted for use under AKC rules and regulations. To make it easier for the judges to distinguish between dogs and to avoid starting line delays it is suggested that tracking collars match flash collars or be of a neutral color.

A BLAZE ORANGE VEST IS REQUIRED FOR ALL JUDGES, HANDLERS, SCOUTS, GALLERY, ETC. DURING THE SECOND SERIES OFTHE NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP AND NATIONAL AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP

DNA NUMBER REQUIRED ON ENTRY FORM **Turn off cell phone ringers while on the course**

Official American Kennel Club® FIELD TRIAL or HUNT TEST Entry Form

Club: Vizsla Club of America	**Date(s):** 11.1.2024-11.8.2024	**Event #:** 2024080415
Location: Sportsmen's Grounds Grovespring MO	Eventtype *(test or trial)*: **National Field Trial**	**Enter in Stake/Test:**

Beagle Trials **ONLY**: Male Female 13" Class 15 -Class Retriever Trials **ONLY** this dog is qualified for (circle answer):
Limited All-Age Stake: YES NO Restricted All-Age Stake: YES NO Special All-Age Stake: YES NO

Date/Event/STAKE Qualifying_____
DNA #_____ QOL #_____ Need QOL _____

☐ **AKC No**	**Foreign & List Country:**	**$Entry Fees**	

Full Name of Dog

Breed: Vizsla	**Call Name:**	**Sex**	**Date of Birth:**

Sire:

Dam:

Name of Breeder:

Actual Owner(s):

Owner's Address:

City: **State:** **Zip:**

Name of Owner's Agent/Handler:

Agent/Handler's Address:

City: **State:** **Zip:**

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 ground 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 agent duly authorized to make this entry:

Tel:	Email:

BREED STANDARD QUALIFICATION FOR THE NATIONAL FIELD TRIAL

The Vizsla Club of America, Inc.

Regulations for Breed Qualification for National Field Events

II. Eligibility for Entry

To be eligible to run in a VCA Field Event, all dogs must have an AKC registration number (conditionally registered dogs are not eligible to enter any VCA Field Event), an AKC DNA profile number and a permanent breed standard qualification number (QOL) or pass the breed standard qualification at the event. Eligibility for entry must be printed in its entirety in the field event premium.

A. Regulations for Breed Standard Qualification on the Line (QOL)

The Vizsla Club of America (VCA) requires that all Vizslas, including puppies, competing in the National Field Events pass a Qualification on the Line evaluation confirming the dog is free of any breed disqualifications as defined in the breed standard. Each dog must be examined by a Qualifying Official that is either a licensed AKC conformation judge approved to judge Vizslas or a trained member of the VCA. Further, it guarantees the process operates in addition to and in conjunction with all pertinent AKC Rules and Regulations; in particular, dogs will be evaluated while standing naturally and may not be lifted for the QOL evaluation.

B. Qualifying Official Eligibility:

1. AKC Licensed Judge approved to judge Vizslas or Trained Member of the VCA.
2. The Qualifying Official may not own or handle a dog in the stake for which they are performing the QOL. When multiple stakes are offered at an event, there may be multiple Officials conducting the QOL. All guidelines in this policy must be followed for each Official.

C. Qualifying Official Selection:

1. An AKC conformation judge must be approved for Vizslas.
2. Any other individual must be a member of the VCA and trained in advance by an AKC licensed judge approved for Vizslas. The official may be a member of the VCA Board.
3. Both the representative(s) and the judge performing the training (if applicable) are selected by the host club or field trial committee with VCA Board approval.
4. The representative (s) performing the evaluation must be listed in the premium list.

D. Qualifying Official Training:

a. Trained by an AKC licensed judge approved for Vizslas in how to perform an examination for all disqualifying faults. Training will include:
    i. Current AKC Written Standard for Vizslas.
    ii. AKC Training on how to use a wicket and ways to check height with an uncooperative dog.
b. Training can occur virtually via video conference or in person.
c. One additional VCA member will witness the training.
d. Documentation will be provided to the VCA QOL Recorder indicating who provided the training, who was trained and the witness observing.

E. Time and Location of the Evaluation:

1. Time:

    a. One hour before starting time of the first stake until 10 a.m. or noon of that day at the discretion of the club (with priority given to dogs entered in the first stake). Additional times may be selected by the event committee.

b. It is the responsibility of the owner/handler to present his/her dog for evaluation during the published time.
c. If the owner/handler of a dog cannot present his/her dog for evaluation during the published time, special arrangements for evaluation must be made in advance through the Field Trial Secretary.
d. The time schedule must be posted at the field trial grounds and VCA headquarters (if applicable).
e. All the information (items i – iv) must be stated in the event premium packet.

2. Location:
a. On the field trial grounds in a location selected by the field trial committee.
b. The evaluation may be performed at the participant's camp site, at the discretion of the event committee.
c. Out of view of the public so that the evaluation can be performed in a discreet manner.

F. Who Attends the Evaluation:

a. Qualifying Official.
b. Owner or handler of the dog being evaluated.
c. VCA Board member:
    i. It is the responsibility of this member to review these guidelines with the judge prior to evaluations. This member shall serve as an observer to ensure these guidelines are followed and make sure that a list of all dogs that qualify is delivered to the Event Secretary and the VCA QOL Recorder.
    ii. The VCA Board member may be a competitor at the event.
    iii. Should no VCA Board member attend the event, the board may appoint a member of the Field Advisory Committee (FAC) to be present for evaluations.
    iv. If the appointed VCA Board member needs a dog evaluated, any FAC member may preside over the evaluation.

G. Evaluation:

a. Each dog will be evaluated independently but done in the same manner.
b. The evaluation will be an examination similar to that for AKC Conformation whereas the dog will be examined in a standing position. Evaluation will follow the most current procedure permitted by AKC Rules and Regulations. It should be noted that the dogs being examined here are not to determine which dog conforms best to the written standard, but rather to ensure that there are no disqualifying faults.
c. It is the sole discretion of the Qualifying Official to excuse any dog that will not stand or cooperate for an examination and therefore that dog will not be permitted to compete at the event.
d. According to the AKC written standard for Vizslas approved in 2009 the disqualifying faults are as follows:
    i. Partially or completely black nose.
    ii. Solid white extending above the toes or white anywhere else on the dog except the fore chest.
    iii. White extending on the shoulders or neck.
    iv. A distinctly long coat.
    v. Any male over 25 ½ inches, or under 20 ½ inches and any female over 24 ½ inches or under 19 ½ inches at the highest point over the shoulder blades.
e. It is only necessary to measure dogs that, in the opinion of the Qualifying Official, are of questionable height. This applies to puppies as well as adult dogs. If, in the opinion of the Qualifying Official, a dog's height is to be measured, an AKC approved wicket provided by the VCA must be used. Before using the wicket, it shall be calibrated by the Qualifying Official using the procedure described by AKC guidelines.
f. All evaluation decisions by the Qualifying Official are final. No refund of entry fees will be made for dogs which fail to pass breed standard qualification. No appeal for disqualification is allowed.

H. Types of Qualifications:

a. Permanent:
   i. Dogs must be 2 years of age or older.
   ii. Dogs over the age of 2 years old that have earned an AKC Conformation Championship title may be given a permanent QOL number at the owner's request. If a dog is under 2 years of age when earning a CH title then they must be examined at a National Field Event or National Companion Specialty Event (when offered) to confirm that height is still within the standard. No other examination is required. Burden of proof shall lie with the owner. It is recommended that the owner contact the VCA QOL Recorder in advance with supporting documentation to receive a permanent number. If that is not possible, they must bring said documentation to the event for review by the VCA QOL Recorder at that time.
   iii. Dogs with permanent qualification are qualified for all future VCA Field Events even if the breed-specific disqualifications in the standard for Vizslas change.
   iv. When entering a permanently qualified dog in a VCA field event, the qualifying certificate number should be included on the entry form.

b. Temporary:
   i. Dogs which qualify under 24 months of age qualify only for the current event. If the dog should compete in any future events, it must be re-evaluated for QOL eligibility until it is eligible for a permanent qualification.

I. Certificates for Dogs who Qualify on a Permanent Basis:

a. Permanent Qualifying Certificates will be provided by VCA QOL Recorder.
b. Certificates must contain the following information:
   i. Name of dog with AKC number.
   ii. Name of owner.
   iii. Name and signature of Qualifying Official.
   iv. Date the certificate is issued and the issue number of the certificate.
   v. Two copies of each certificate will be made. One will be given to the owner of the dog and one copy will be retained for the VCA QOL Recorder.

J. Breed Standard Qualification (QOL) at VCA National Specialty and Companion Events (NSCE):

a. This is applicable for dogs over 2 years of age.
b. If the NSCE host committee desires to provide breed standard qualification service, it is to be included along with the name of the Qualifying Official that will be doing the evaluation in the premium/notice from that event. With VCA Board approval, they may charge a nominal fee to cover the Qualifying Officials expenses. All guidelines in this policy are applicable and must be followed.

K. Ineligibility

A Vizsla is ineligible to compete in VCA Field Events if trained on the field trial grounds 30 days prior to the first advertised date of a VCA Field Trial. This does not include running on those grounds in a field trial, hunting test, or a designated training area during the previous week.

[FEG May 2024]

Examination will take place on the Field Trial grounds at a location selected by the Field Trial Committee. The location will be posted at Sportsmen's Association Grounds' Clubhouse. Examination judge and times are as follows:

Judge: Kathy Rust, (AKC #27507),
17170 County Rd. 2, Walcott, ND 58077-9734

Thursday, October 31, 2024	6:00 pm	Location TBA
Friday, November 1, 2024	7:00-10:00 am & 4:00-5:30 pm	Location TBA
Saturday, November 2, 2024	7:00-10:00 am & 4:00-5:30 pm	Location TBA

- **Sunday-Wednesday, November 3-6, 2024** **Must contact Melissa Thomas**
- **Location TBA**
- **Licensed Judge, Kathy Rust or Qualifying Official(s): Sabrina Corliss, Michelle Princer or Melissa Thomas to be available for QOL**

  Additional times, if applicable, will be posted at the Sportsmen's Association Clubhouse

It is the responsibility of the owner/handler to present his/her dog for evaluation during the published times. If the owner/handler of a dog cannot present his/her dog for evaluation during the published times due to an unexpected event or illness the Field Trial Secretary must be advised immediately. Every effort will be made to accommodate a special time for evaluation, however, there is no guarantee that a judge will be available outside of the published times.

NOTE REGARDING BITCHES IN SEASON

The Field Trial Secretary must be notified that the bitch has come into season at least one-half hour prior to the beginning of the stake (or the day of running) in which the bitch is entered. The running order will be modified so that bitch (es) in season will run in the last brace(s) of the day for that stake.

FIVE MINUTE CALL

The duty of having a dog ready and in place when required for judging rests solely with the handler or owner. Each brace will be announced prior to the estimated cast-off time. This rule will be strictly enforced.

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PRIZES

NFC and NAFC Winners: NFT Event Trophy & and present the winners with a *Signature Event Belt Buckle*, Traveling Trophy and First Place Trophy and Rosette
Derby Classic Winner: NFT Event Trophy for First Place and Rosette
Open Puppy Winner: NFT Event Trophy for First Place Trophy and Rosette
Stake Placements: (2nd-4th): NFT Placement Trophies and Rosettes
Championship Rosettes are offered to the National Champion and National Amateur Champion.
Standard AKC rosettes are offered to all placed dogs.
Judges' Award of Merit rosettes are offered in all stakes at the Judges' discretion.
A Championship rosette is offered to the dogs named "VCA National Field Champion" and "VCA National Amateur Field Champion".

TRAVELING TROPHIES

Denes Burjan Memorial Trophy – VCA National Field Champion
VCA National Amateur Field Champion

Traveling trophies may reside with the respective winners of these stakes until the subsequent year's VCA National Field Trial. This requires written acceptance of the VCA's Responsibility Agreement and must be current member of VCA.

VCA Entry Refund Policy

Entry fees shall not be refunded in the event that a dog is absent, disqualified, excused by Veterinarian or Judge, fails to pass the QOL examination, or barred from competition by action of Trial Committee. If, because of riots, civil disturbances or other acts beyond the control of the organizing committee, it is impossible to open or to complete the trial, no refund of entry fee will be made. Extreme weather conditions, such as, but not limited to snow storms, hurricanes, lightning, extreme heat, must be considered for the health and safety of the dogs, exhibitors and spectators. The well-being of dogs, exhibitors and spectators is of paramount importance and, in the event, it is necessary to cancel or stop the trial before completion, no entry fees will be refunded.

Returned Item/ NSF Charge

Anyone who submits any payment to the VCA, whether credit card or check, that is later returned by the bank or charged back to the VCA for any reason will be assessed a $30.00 returned item fee by the VCA.

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Tentative Schedule: To be published with run order.

Availability of site

Thursday, October 31, 2024 10:00 a.m. through event conclusion

Awards & Sponsorship for Trophies

Details of sponsorship opportunities can be found on the VCA website. Exhibitors and breed supporters are encouraged to contribute at any level. Contributions will be acknowledged in the 2024 National Field Trial Catalog if notification is given of a contribution received by the Trophy Solicitation Chair, Sabrina Corliss, by October 13, 2024. All contributions will be recognized in the Vizsla News & Event Catalog. Please use the Awards & Trophy Form provided on the VCA website to make a contribution to this outstanding event.

Calcutta

Open Puppy Calcutta and Derby Classic Calcutta will take place the evening prior to the running of each stake, following the social hour. This is always a spirited and entertaining event, and we encourage all participants and guests to attend.

Course Familiarization

The ride around for the Event Stakes will be confirmed with the Running Order and posted in the Sportsmen's Association Clubhouse. A ride around for Event Stakes is subject to time available as determined by the overall trial entry and weather conditions preceding each stake.

Dog Exercise/ Training Area

The host club will designate a dog exercise/training area on the grounds that will be available beginning Thursday, October 31st at 10:00 am. It will remain available until the event conclusion. Horses may be ridden but no motorized vehicles are allowed on the training grounds. Exhibitors are requested to be mindful of all who wish to use this area. No scheduling will take place, multiple users may be on the training area at any given time.

Event Reservations: Meals, Hay and Parking

- **Meals ***Point of contact to be announced.
  Meals MUST be reserved and paid in advance and will be available at the Sportsmen's Association Gounds' Clubhouse.
- **Meal reservation form** will be available on the VCA website noting reservations for all meals and special evenings.
  Breakfast will be (coffee/pastry)
  Lunch will be available for purchase each day.
  Welcome Hospitality and Social Hour Thursday, October 31
  Dinners Friday, November 1, Monday November 4 and Tuesday, November 5
  Hospitality and Social Hours will precede each dinner and as *stand alone* on Sunday, November 3 and Thursday, November 7
- **Hay**
  Contact Todd Meyer prior to October 13, 2024.
- **Parking Vehicle and Overnight Camping Fees**
- Overnight camping is allowed on the dog trial grounds. Camping fees are $10 per night.
- **Contact:** ***Melissa Thomas with a reservation request.*** **Melissa Thomas** vcafieldtrialsec@gmail.com or (915) 487-9419
  Trailer Length, # of Horses, # of Dogs and Electric Hook-up Requests. Electric hook ups are limited—plan ahead.

Fundraisers

Special raffles: Solo- Bonfire Essential Bundle with plate, pan, lid, stand and carry case, 2 Intermediate Ruffland Dog Crates, 2 Charter Arms Pistols, along with Sporting, hunting, dog, horse related items as well as other appealing non-dog items can be donated. All donations are greatly appreciated. Details for raffle contributions can be found on the VCA website. All exhibitors, VCA members and guests are encouraged to support this event by contributing to any of the many opportunities available. Contributions will be acknowledged in the 2024 National Field Trial Catalog if notification is given of a contribution (if donor is bringing item) or if item is received by the raffle chairman by October 13, 2024. All contributions will be recognized in the Vizsla News & Event Catalog. Please use the General Donation and Sponsorship form provided on the VCA website to make a contribution to this outstanding event.

Farrier Information to be posted at Sportsmen's Association Grounds' Clubhouse..

GROUNDS

NOTICE TO TRIAL PARTICIPANTS, VISITORS AND GUESTS: Please keep the grounds clean. Use only designated areas for camping and parking. Regularly clean up after all animals. This includes filling in any holes that dogs/horses create, spreading/removing horse manure, removing left-over hay, picking up/removing dog waste, taking bagged trash to the designated area and generally cleaning up individual camp areas during and before leaving. Those who fail to do so may be charged a minimum $50 clean-up fee. Please remove all twine from the grounds as this causes damage to the equipment used to maintain the site.

Health Requirements

Laws related to transporting horses differ by state. Check the laws for any state you will be traveling.
https://agriculture.mo.gov/animals/pdf/exhib-req-equine.pdf

Merchandise

Information regarding Merchandise purchase will be updated on Face Book and the VCA Webpage once it is finalized.

Off-site Communication

Updates will be posted by a Committee Member on the event Facebook page.

"Running of the Veterans" a very special tribute for our beloved senior Vizslas will be held during the 2024 NFT. At a time to be announced, all are encouraged to gather on the hill just east of camp for the "Running of the Veterans!" This special stake will not be an "official" event. It is intended for fun and as a way to let our senior dogs have their moment in the field. Dogs may be handled on foot or horseback, and run time will be adjusted to accommodate both senior dogs and handlers (not to exceed 20 minutes). This running will be open to any Vizsla who is 8 years of age or older and no longer in field competition and companion veterans of other breeds. The entry fee will be $20, and there will be prizes for all dogs entered. Contact: TBA

Site Restrictions

No ATVs on grounds.
No open campfires.

Trial Headquarters: Sportsmen's Association Gounds' Clubhouse.

There is adequate seating and tables. There is a men's and women's restroom, 8 bunk beds and 3 private showers in the clubhouse. The site also features 50+ kennels, a barn and horse corrals. This is the official headquarters for the trial and where the secretary's office and administrative information will be located.

Water

There are numerous spigots available for refilling portable containers.

Wrangler: Horses may be rented through **J Jurgens**
ADVANCED RESERVATIONS ARE STRONGLY RECOMMENDED AS THIS WILL DETERMINE HOW MANY HORSES ARE BROUGHT TO THE TRIAL.
Todd Meyer is point of contact Phone# (414) 531-9330 Although arrangements for rentals by the brace can be made at the trial directly with the wrangler, it is not recommended to wait until you arrive at the trial as the number of extra horses available will be limited. Horses required by event committee will be given preference.

EMERGENCY SERVICES
Call 911 for all emergency needs requiring police, ambulance or fire department.

Mercy Hospital Lebanon 100 Hospital Drive, Lebanon, MO 65536
(417) 533-6100

Veterinarian **Animal Medical Center PC** 129 Pleasant Prairie Rd, Marshfield, MO 65706
(417) 859-3483 Hours: 7:00 am- 5:00pm

Accommodations: (This is a list with local references.
Please contact for detailed information; specific to your stay)

Super 8 by Wyndham Lebanon 1831 W Elm St, Lebanon, MO, 65536
Americas Best Value Inn 1830 W Elm St, Lebanon, MO, 65536
Hampton Inn 930 Ivey Ln, Lebanon, MO, 65536
Holiday Inn Express & Sites 1955 W Elm St, Lebanon, MO, 65536

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GENERAL LOCATION

General Directions:
From I-44 and Hwy 5 at Lebanon, MO
Take Hwy 5 South for approximately 18 miles to Meadowlark Lane (a bird dog silhouette points the way) and turn Right and follow road 1 ½ miles to grounds

Grounds are at 10321 Parks Creek Rd., Grovespring, MO 65662.

Additional map and directions to be provided with Event Run Order