

ENTRY METHOD: FIRST RECEIVED

Entries Open Wednesday, August 1, 2018 6:00 pm (Central – CDT)

Entries Close: Thursday, November 1, 2018, 6:00pm (Central - CDT).

Envelopes/transactions containing entries for more than the ten (10) dog maximum and/or entries received prior to the opening date shall be treated as an invalid entry and shall be returned to the sender. If trial fills, a wait list will be kept for 20 dogs in order of receipt. Wait list closes November 7th, 2018 at 6:00 PM central time.

PREMIUM LIST

Michiana Scent Work Club

4 LICENSED AKC Scent Work Trials / All Elements All Levels both days, Handler Discrimination & Detective
250 entries per trial



November 10, 2018 Event # 2018728305
November 10, 2018 Event # 2018728306
November 11, 2018 Event # 2018728307
November 11, 2018 Event # 2018728310

Trial times 8:00 am – 5:00 pm
8:00 am Briefing with first dog on line after

Zao Island

<http://www.zaoisland.net/>

1050 Horse Prairie Avenue Valparaiso, IN 46385

250 ENTRY LIMITS per trial

500 entries per day

To be held Indoors/Outdoors



AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB

CERTIFICATION

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

Gina DiNardo, Secretary

Michiana Scent Work Club Officers

President.....Angela Ogle

Vice President.....Holly Rupprecht

Secretary.....Sharon Jonas

Treasurer..... Mary Jane Ross

Committee: Bill Ogle, Scott Hubbard, Kristy Hubbard, Kristina Montgomery, Sharon Jonas and any other members on site

TRIAL CHAIRPERSON	TRIAL SECRETARY
Kristy Hubbard 52 Ashley Court Valparaiso, IN 46385 hubbardks@comcast.net	MAIL ENTRIES TO: Sharon L Jonas 410 E 100 N, Valparaiso, IN 46383 gizmogreentrees@yahoo.com 219.794.4752 Make checks out to MSWC

JUDGES AND ASSIGNMENTS	
<p>Cynthia Angiulo #102312 8156 Mario Ct Commerce Twp, MI 48382</p> <p><u>Saturday, November 10, 2018</u> Interior – Trial 1 & 2</p> <p><u>Sunday, November 11, 2018</u> Interior – Trial 1 & 2</p>	<p>Angela Ogle, #101744 404 Brookwood Ct Valparaiso, IN 46385</p> <p><u>Saturday November 10, 2018</u> Exterior – Trial 1 & 2 Detective Trial 1 & 2</p> <p><u>Sunday, November 11, 2017</u> Exterior – Trial 1 & 2 Detective – Trial 1 & 2</p>

<p>Carolyn Dostal # 102529 46579 Woodland DR Bangor, MI 49013</p> <p><u>Saturday November 11, 2017 Trial 1 & 2</u> Containers Trial 1 & 2 Handler Discrimination Trial 1 & 2</p> <p><u>Sunday, November 11, 2017 Trial 1 & 2</u> Containers Trial 1 & 2 Handler Discrimination Trial 1 & 2</p>	<p>Bonnie Marie Gutzwiler # 102527 POB 501 Yorkville, IL 60560</p> <p><u>Saturday, November 10, 2018</u> Buried – Trial 1 & 2 <u>Sunday, November 11, 2018</u> Buried – Trial 1 & 2</p>
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EMERGENCY SERVICES

North Central Veterinarian Emergency Center – 1645 S US Highway 421
Westville, IN
219-785-7360

Fire/ Ambulance/Police- Porter County – **DIAL 911**

PORTER REGIONAL HOSPITAL - 85 E US-6 Frontage Rd, Valparaiso, IN 46383
(219) 983-8300

Classes - \$25.00 / run

SATURDAY		SUNDAY	
TRIAL #1	TRIAL #2	TRIAL #1	TRIAL #2
Container	Container	Container	Container
Interior	Interior	Interior	Interior
Exterior	Exterior	Exterior	Exterior
Buried	Buried	Buried	Buried
Handler Discrimination Detective	Handler Discrimination Detective	Handler Discrimination Detective	Handler Discrimination Detective

- Running Order TBD and judges may change due to entries numbers
- **There will be no move-ups offered on same day. Moveups from Saturday to Sunday allowed**

The A/B Sections: The A class is for beginners. Those dogs who have earned a title in that element (in AKC or in another organization), and those handlers who have worked as professional detection dog handlers must enter the B section. The exhibitor is fully responsible for entering the dog in the correct class(es)/divisions. Failure to do so will result in the cancellation of qualifying scores.

Handler Discrimination classes are titling classes in which the targeted scent is that of the handler themselves. Handlers are required to provide their own scented articles in a plastic bag, for the Novice class, one cotton glove or cotton sock. Three qualifying scores are required to earn titles in each class. Handlers may utilize any method they feel is best to **scent their article**. Suggestions include rubbing the article on the handler's body or storing the article in the handler's dirty laundry.

No entries will be accepted by phone, email, fax.. Express mail entries must include the signature waiver allowing them to be left at the secretary's address. Inquiries may be directed to Sharon Jonas at gizmogreentrees@yahoo.com. No entry shall be made and no entry shall be accepted which specifies any conditions as to its acceptance.

DOG ELIGIBLE TO ENTER

Dogs with physical challenges (including amputees) are eligible to participate provided that, in the opinion of the judge, the dog displays no sign of physical discomfort and can safely complete the search. Deaf and blind dogs are allowed to enter. Females in season may not participate, aggressive dogs, or dogs suffering from an injury, or illness which may affect the dog's physical or mental performance may not participate. No dog shall compete if it is sutured, bandaged, or has any visible wounds.

ENTRY FEES PER DAY

Each entry (includes a \$3.50 AKC recording fee)..... \$25.00

Illegible entries will not be processed and will be returned to the exhibitor. Returned checks do not constitute a valid entry and the

Trial Secretary will add a \$25.00 collection fee to the amount of each returned check.

WAIT LIST INFORMATION - a wait list will be kept for 20 dogs in receipt of order. Wait list closes November 7, 2018 at 6:00 pm central time.

Staging Area will be out of view of search area(s). Staging area will include crating, warm-up and waiting area, as well as the secretary table for check-ins and posting of running order and results.

The **Handler's Briefing** will take place in view of the search area prior to the start of each class, after the hide(s) have been set and after the Demo Dog has run. In the Handler's Briefing the judge will explain if there's an off-leash option, number of hides, maximum height of hides and maximum time for the search. NO DOGS are to be present during the Handler's Briefing.

A **warm-up area** will be available. Exhibitors should limit their warm-up to (2) two minutes or less. The warm-up area is to be used exclusively for warming up the handler-dog team prior their run. The warm-up area is not for training or relieving of the dog.

SEARCH AREA AND RING CONDITIONS Search areas may be of any shape, and of the size specified in the Regulations for each class.

Search Area Conditions. Searches may be indoors, on matted, carpeted, or tiled surfaces, or outdoors on grass, gravel, earth, concrete, or asphalt surfaces.

All exhibitors are responsible for understanding the rules and should obtain a copy of the Regulations for Scent Work Trials by downloading them from the American Kennel Club website.

STAGING AREA, HANDLER'S BRIEFING, AND WARM-UP INFORMATION

Trial Site. It is not appropriate to visit the trial location prior to the trial date. Many search locations are real-life environments and such visits may risk the host losing the opportunity to use the location in the future.

Possession of Odors and Training. Chapter 5. Section 26 of the Scent Work Regulations state "No person other than those engaged in the administration of a trial shall be in possession of any target odor when on the trial grounds. There shall be no training on the grounds of the AKC Scent Work trial, other than the designated warm-up area".

Spectator Area. Spectators are encouraged. Any person not handling a dog in the current class, or any person who has already completed their run in the class may choose to watch the search from the spectator area. Handlers may not watch other exhibitors from their class prior to their run except in the case of Handler Discrimination classes. No one outside the search area may assist the handler or disclose the location of the hide. Spectators who intentionally or unintentionally give aid to a team may be asked to leave the area by the judge. Spectators are forbidden to discuss details of the search with handlers who have not run.

Crating space will not be available. You must crate out of your car or in the parking area.

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. Cleaning supplies and disposal sites will be available at various locations around the show grounds.

SAFETY, BEHAVIOR and LIABILITY

The safety of the dog is our primary concern. By entering this trial, exhibitors acknowledge that they are familiar with the rules and regulations of this sport, and that their dogs are familiar with and able to perform all searches safely. **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 trial committee, be asked to leave the show site. In such case, no refund of any fees paid will be made. Michiana Scent Work 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. Michiana Scent Work Club reserves the right to decline entries for cause and may remove any dog on account of aggression. No one shall have any recourse or claim against Michiana Scent Work Club or any official thereof.

Collars, Leashes and Harnesses. During searches, dogs must wear a properly fitted collar or harness approved by the judge. A wearable camera such as a Go Pro may be mounted to the dog's harness, if desired. Leashes may be of any length and/or retractable. The leash should be made of plain, pliable material.

All dogs must be on leash at all times, and retractable leashes may not be used when on trial grounds (except during judged searches). Dogs must enter and exit the search area with the leash attached to the collar or harness, including when waiting in the search area before and after the search. An off-leash option may be offered at the discretion of the judge, only if the area is completely enclosed.

REFUNDS

No entry fee will be refunded if the trial cannot open or be completed by reason of riots, civil disturbances, fire, an act of God, public emergency, act of a public enemy, or any other cause beyond the control of the organizing committee. No entry fee will be refunded in the event a dog is absent, disqualified, excused, or barred from competition by the action of the Trial Committee. Dogs pulled after closing because of injury or other medical condition are not eligible for a refund.

Bitches in season will be refunded the full entry fee. Notification in writing must be given to the trial secretary no later than one half hour prior to the start of the first class of the day of the trial.

RINGSIDE

Judges are not required to wait for dogs. The Owner of each dog is solely responsible for having it ready at the search area when it is to be judged. The Club has no responsibility to provide service through a public address system or stewards or runners for the purpose of calling or locating dogs that are not brought into the ring when required.

EXHIBITOR CHECK-IN: At check-in you will receive your armband number. Once the time and location for check-in is determined all exhibitors will be notified by email.

Exhibitors MUST check-in EACH day they are entered.

Claims will be arbitrated as set forth on the Official AKC Entry Form for this event

"Exhibitors should follow their veterinarian's recommendation to assure their dogs are free of internal and external parasites, any communicable diseases, and have appropriate vaccinations." Additionally, clubs should include any specific local or state health requirements; for example, proof of rabies vaccination

DIRECTIONS TO THE TRIAL SITE

From west – I-65 to Route 30, East to Valparaiso
From East – 49 to Route 30 West to Zao Island

SHOW VETERINARIAN: North Central Veterinary Emergency Center – 1645 US 421, Westville, IN 46383 219-785-7300 Open 24 hours on weekends.

ACCOMMODATIONS: Call for current pet policy.

[Residence Inn by Marriott Merrillville](#) 8018 Delaware Place, Merrillville, IN 219-791-9000

[Econo Lodge](#) 6201 Opportunity Lane, Merrillville, IN 219-942-8555

[Super 8/Gary Area](#) 8300 Louisiana Street, Merrillville, IN 800-454-3213

[Candlewood Suites](#) 8339 Ohio Street, Merrillville, IN 219-791-9100

[Red Roof Merrillville](#) 8290 Georgia St, Merrillville, IN 219-738-2430

[La Quinta Merrillville](#) 8210 Louisiana St, Merrillville, IN 219-738-2870

RIBBONS AWARDS AND PRIZES

Placement ribbons will be awarded in each class as follows:

First Place.....Blue
Second Place.....Red
Third Place.....Yellow
Fourth Place.....White
Qualifying Score.....Dark Green

A **New Title ribbon** will be awarded to all dog and handler teams finishing a title.

New Level Title Rosettes will be awarded.

High in Trial

Only teams who participate in all elements offered (Container, Interior, Exterior, Buried, and Handler Discrimination), and qualify in each are eligible to win **High in Trial**. One High In Trial winner is chosen for each level; there is no separate High In Trial for the Novice A and Novice B sections.

The High in Trial is determined by adding the team's faults across the elements. If there is a tie based on faults, then the team's times across the elements will be summed and the faster-finishing team will win.

VERY IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

1. Zao Island is a miniature golf course with batting cages, video games, laser tag, go-carts and lots of people including children. If your dog cannot work in these conditions, please do not enter. If your dog is reactive in any way, please do not enter.
2. If your dog eliminates in any area other than the designated potty area, there is a \$25.00 clean up charge.
3. If you are caught not cleaning up after your dog, you will be asked to leave for the weekend and not receive a refund.
4. There is a very nice pizzeria on site that also has sandwiches.
5. Check in starts at 7:30 am.
6. Handler's Briefing starts at 8:00 am with first dog to follow.
7. **No ribbons will be mailed, you must pick them up by Sunday, end of the trial.**
8. Viewing: There will be an area to watch the trials. If you are in the class, do not watch until after you have completed your run. Conversation is acceptable. Do not give the hide away though! No double handling. Do not bring dogs into the viewing area. Viewing is allowed for all runs where appropriate.
9. Noise: Plan and train for naturally occurring dog trial noises, such as printers, doors opening, crated dogs, lively conversation and laughter, possible barking and background music. Sound sensitive teams will not be accommodated, as each team must be judged in a similar environment. This is a miniature golf course on a busy highway and will be noisy. The general public has access to this site during the trial, but will not be able to enter the search areas.
10. Reactivity: The entrance point will be quite busy, and not conducive to an extremely reactive dog. We are not able to change the environment for a specific dog, as the trial experience should be similar for all entrants. Expect 3 dogs in line for each of the three trial rings, in addition to dogs exiting the ring in the staging area.
11. Absolutely no dogs in the restaurant!!!
12. No guns, weapons, or illegal drugs are allowed on show site.
13. No smoking allowed.
14. Flexis are only allowed in the search area, not to and from area or while exercising dog.
15. Show will go on no matter the weather so come prepared for snow, ice, rain, wind or sun.
16. Trial will run with back to back searches from Trial 1 to Trial 2.
17. We use the magnet system and not a fixed running order.
18. Buried novice and advanced may be dirt or sand.
19. This is a rather large trial site and there will be considerable walking for the exteriors.
20. Some of the interiors will include the arcade area.
21. Ribbons will be self-serve. We have very nice new level rosettes.
22. Judges and workers will have priority to run their dogs in order to be more efficient, so they may have to jump ahead in the line.