

Entries **open April 1, 2024, at 1pm MT.** Pre-entries **close May 17, 2024, at 1:00pm MT.**  
Late and Day of Entries accepted as space permits at a higher entry fee.

***Pre-Entries are highly encouraged!***

Entries will not be accepted prior to the date and time listed above.

## FAST CAT PREMIUM LIST



**Thursday, May 30<sup>th</sup> - Sunday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2024**

**Event Location** – Sentinel High School – **Adjacent to the Fairgrounds**  
901 South Avenue W., Missoula MT, 59801

**Fencing:** Fully fenced 4' rope net fencing with gates, held outdoors on grass

**Test 1:** Thursday, May 30, 2024 – 2024010613

**Test 2:** Thursday, May 30, 2024 – 2024010614

**Test 3:** Friday, May 31, 2024 – 2024010615

**Test 4:** Friday, May 31, 2024 – 2024010616

**Test 5:** Saturday, June 1, 2024 – 2024010617

**Test 6:** Saturday, June 1, 2024 – 2024010618

**Test 7:** Sunday, June 2, 2024 – 2024010619

**Test 8:** Sunday, June 2, 2024 – 20242010620

### **Entry Limits:**

2 tests per day, run concurrently

Up to two runs per dog, per day – Enter each Test one time only per dog

### **Entry Fees:**

Pre-Entry: \$25

Late and Day of Entries: \$30

Credit card, Venmo & PayPal entries are subject to a \$1.50 processing fee per run.

### **Trial Hours:**

Rolling Roll Call will begin at 8:30am, tests to run from 9am-5pm Thursday -Saturday,  
9am-4pm on Sunday.

***Must be checked in by 4pm Thursday-Saturday and by 2pm on Sunday.***

**Additional Trial Information:** [www.HarmonyDogSports.com/Events](http://www.HarmonyDogSports.com/Events)



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

**GINA M. DINARDO, Executive Secretary**

## Officers of the Club

President ♦ Carolyn Bonner  
 Vice President ♦ Tasha Wilde  
 Treasurer ♦ Bett Thompson  
 Secretary ♦ Barbara Horrell  
 3510 McIntosh Lane  
 Darby, MT 59829

### Event Committee

<b>Event Chairperson</b>	Bruce Hubbert 18415 Mustang Lane Frenchtown, MT 59834 wbhubbert3@aol.com 206-604-1260
<b>Field Committee</b>	Donna Hubbert, Donna Bjerke, Jann Butler, Dianne Barnes, Carolyn Bonner, and any other FVKC members as called upon <small>(In response to unforeseen circumstances, committee members may be substituted as necessary)</small>

### Trial Secretary and Lure Operator

<b>Secretary</b>	HarmonyDogSports, LLC Kari & Jack Loken 6860 S Adams Way Centennial, CO 80122 <a href="mailto:harmonydogsports@gmail.com">harmonydogsports@gmail.com</a> <a href="http://www.harmonydogsports.com">www.harmonydogsports.com</a> 303-345-7895
<b>Lure Operators</b>	Jack Loken and Katelyn Spooner <i>The club reserves the right to substitute lure operators.</i>
<p><b>ONLINE ENTRIES AT:</b>  <a href="http://www.harmonydogsports.com/ctcd-entries">www.harmonydogsports.com/ctcd-entries</a>  <b>MAIL ENTRIES with Check Payable to:</b>            HarmonyDogSports            6860 S Adams Way, Centennial, CO 80122</p>	

### Veterinarian and Emergency Services

<b>Veterinarian Services</b>	<b>Sentinel Veterinary Specialists and Emergency</b> 1704 S. Reserve Street Missoula, MT 59801 406-218-2800 <b>Directions:</b> Turn right onto Fair Way, turn right at the 1 <sup>st</sup> cross street onto S Russell St, turn left onto North Ave W, Turn right onto S. Reserve St.
<b>Emergency Services</b>	Fire, ambulance, and police – Dial 911 First Aid Kit available at the Secretary's table.

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## Dog Eligibility

Fast CAT events are open to all dogs at least 12 months of age. Spayed or neutered dogs and/or dogs with breed disqualifications may be entered. **Females in-season may not participate.** Refunds will be given for lameness, unfitness, or in-season females.

## AKC Registration Required

All dogs must be individually registered with the AKC. This includes all AKC registered purebreds, Foundation Stock Service (FSS), Purebred Alternative Listing (PAL), and AKC Canine Partners.

**Not AKC registered yet? NO PROBLEM! See the next section – Canine Partner Enrollment!**

## Canine Partners Enrollment

If your dog is not registered with AKC, you may enroll through the Canine Partners.

<https://www.akc.org/register/information/canine-partners/enroll/> You will receive your AKC number immediately following completion of the form with payment. Dogs must be spayed or neutered to participate.

## Entries

**Entry Method: First received.**

**Online Entries Preferred:** Online entries will be accepted upon opening day and time of test opening as time and space allows Visit [www.harmonydogsports.com/events](http://www.harmonydogsports.com/events).

**By Mail:** Complete an official AKC entry form for each dog. ONE ENTRY FORM PER DOG. Multiple tests may be selected for the same dog on one entry form. Dogs may enter only once per competition test. Multiple entry forms for multiple dogs (maximum 10 entry forms) may be mailed together and paid with one check. Mail completed form(s) with fees payable to: **HarmonyDogSports** - 6860 S Adams Way, Centennial, CO 80122.

**Day of Test Entries:** Day of test entries may be available based on space. Entry fee per run is \$30. Register online, or complete paper entry at the Secretary table. Cash and Credit accepted. There will be a \$1.50 credit card, Venmo, and PayPal fee assessed. **NOTE: All dogs must be registered and ready to run no later than 4pm on Thursday thru Saturday and no later than 2pm on Sunday.**

**Withdrawing Entries:** No entry fees shall be refunded if a dog is absent. Also, no entries will be refunded if a dog is disqualified, excused, or banned from competition by the trial committee. Any entries pulled prior to pre-entry closing date must be made via email or mail. Entries are unable to be pulled post-closing date.

**FUN RUNS:** Fun runs may be available time permitting. Fun runs will be on a first come, first served basis subject to time availability. Competition runs may take precedence.

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## Run of Day - Roll Call, Inspection, Running, Times/Ribbons

**Roll Call/Check In** will start at 8:30am unless the committee and secretary are set up and ready to start taking dogs earlier. We will be holding a flexible roll call. There is no guarantee that you can run if you are not checked in by 4pm on Thursday-Saturday and by 2pm on Sunday. You will check in at the secretary table and will be given your card(s) for the day. You must check in each day.

**Inspections:** Dogs must be inspected for lameness, fitness, and for females in-season **before EACH run**. ***This includes checking for females in season – EVEN if your female has been spayed.*** This is an AKC rule. Measurements, as needed, are also completed at this time. **Note:** Make sure to bring your card for the run, this is how the gate steward will know that your dog has passed inspection and is ready to run!

**Getting on the Board to Run:** Bring your card, your dog, two leashes and yourself plus one person (it takes two people to run a dog - a releaser and catcher) to the gate steward. They will take your card and put you on the board. Please ensure there is PLENTY of space between your dog and other dogs. If you don't have a releaser or catcher, we can help. **Please let the gate steward know you need help.** We will also have a few extra leashes, please remember to return them so others can also have the benefit of their use. **NOTE:** **Worker dogs take precedence, including those working other events in conjunction with the show.**

**Running your dog:** It is recommended that a slip-lead be used and that the dog runs without a collar. Dogs may wear any collar except a choke collar, a collar with prongs, a harness, or an electronic training collar. **PRONG collars are NOT ALLOWED ANYWHERE ONSITE per AKC rules.** The collar should be snug to minimize the chances of the collar getting hung up on something during the run. Note: Owners may be asked to remove or tape tags to the collar if the inspection committee is concerned they may get hung up during the run. Owners may use clips or rubber bands to hold the dog's hair. Wrapping of legs is allowed but must be removed prior to each inspection. **The owner assumes all responsibility for the safety of the dog regarding the dog's collar and paraphernalia on the dog.**

**Post Run & Times:** If you have more than one run, return to the inspection area for re-inspection for lameness, fitness, and in-season females. Remember to bring your card. If you have completed your runs for the day, return to the secretary's table for your time and ribbon(s). Stickers for ribbons will be provided, it may take up to 20 minutes post run for your sticker to be ready for you.

## Awards

**Qualifying Runs:** All dogs who receive a qualifying score will receive a flat light blue ribbon for each competition run. **Note:** Fun Runs are not competition runs therefore will not receive an official ribbon but will receive their time.

**New Title Ribbons** will be offered for all dogs earning their BCAT, DCAT, FCAT/FCAT#, customized tabs will also be provided.

**FCAT Title Signs:** HarmonyDogSports offering an FCAT title sign for all dogs earning an FCAT title

**Personal Best Ribbons:** HarmonyDogSports offering a Personal Best Ribbon – **ONE per weekend.**

**All Ribbons and award must be picked up at the event. None will be mailed.**

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## Notice to All Exhibitors

**Huntmaster:** The huntmaster is responsible for field safety and therefore they are in COMPLETE charge of all dogs and handlers on the field. In service to this responsibility, they have the authority to have the lure stopped if needed and signal the handler to retrieve their dog. All event participants and spectators MUST follow ALL instructions from the Huntmaster promptly and swiftly. The huntmaster also ensures the lure is positioned correctly, the lure operator and timers are ready, and shall give the "Tallyho" verbal signal to release the dog.

**Weather:** This is a rain, or shine event. In the case of extreme weather, the club and its committee may delay or cancel the event. If the club makes the determination to cancel the event, entry fees may be refunded. Please ensure you and your dog's comfort by bringing portable shade, shelter, water, etc.

**Food:** There will be a food vendor onsite at the fairgrounds and there are many restaurants within a 10-minute drive from the site.

**Restrooms:** Restrooms are in dog show event buildings at the fairgrounds and a portalet will be available near the Fast CAT track.

**Timers:** The latest model FarmTek break-beam timers will be utilized. A second set of FarmTek timers will be available upon device failure as well as stop watches at last resort.

**Concurrent Events:** [Five Valley Kennel Club Dog Show](#) and [NADD Dock Diving](#).

**Hotels, reserved grooming, and RV spaces:** See the [Five Valley Kennel Club Premium List on the BayRay Superintendent website](#).

**Substitution of dogs** will be accepted up to the time of inspection. Once inspection is complete, no further substitution will be allowable.

**Liability:** The event-hosting club, the event secretary, its agents, members, representatives, volunteers, etc., assume no 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.

**Ineligible Entries:** Incomplete, unsigned, unpaid, late, conditional entries, or entries not containing the "Agreement" found on the Official AKC Entry Form will not be accepted. Electronic signature will be accepted.

**Returned check fee** of \$50 will be assessed for any check(s) returned for insufficient funds and must be paid via cash or with credit card prior to running in addition to the entry fees.

**Media:** All rights to televise, videotape, advertise, photograph, promote or otherwise exploit this event are vested in the club, or in persons to whom assignments of such rights have been made in writing by the club. All persons and animals attending these shows grant the club the right to use their likeness and voice in any matter without further consent.

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**Conduct:** Persons exhibiting conduct detrimental to AKC /the Club/any dogs(s) and/or other person(s) will be asked to leave the test site.

**Loose and uncatchable dogs:** If your dog gets loose when it is not competing or if the dog is causing an excessive delay of the event because it refuses to be caught by the catcher you may be assessed a \$10 fine. Dogs that delay the event because their owners cannot retrieve them quickly from the course may be refused entry at future events.

**Veterinarian Advice:** Exhibitors should follow their veterinarian's recommendation to ensure their dogs are free of internal and external parasites or infectious diseases and have appropriate vaccinations. Coursing is an athletic activity that can tax a dog's physical strength. Dogs that are overweight 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.

**In-season females:** In-season females are not allowed onsite, except for inspection.

## Fast CAT Summary Description

The Fast CAT Test is a timed 100-yard dash for dogs. It is meant to be a fun and healthy activity of interest to any dog owner. The following is a summary of how the event is structured.

### How does Fast CAT Work?

1. Fast CAT is a timed straight race of 100 yards.
2. Dogs run singularly.
3. The dog's time to complete the 100-yard dash is converted into MPHs. The calculation to convert to MPH is as follows: 204.545 divided by the dog's time multiplied by the handicap = POINTS.
4. A handicap system is applied to a dog's MPH to determine the number of points earned. The handicap system is based on the height of the dog at its withers.
  - 18" or greater = handicap is 1.0
  - 12" up to less than 18" = handicap is 1.5
  - Below 12" = handicap is 2.0
5. Points=MPH multiplied by the dog's handicap
6. Fast CAT titles suffix titles are earned at designated milestones:
  - BCAT = 150 points
  - DCAT = 500 points
  - FCAT = 1,000 points
  - FCAT# = every additional 500 points
7. 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.
8. Eligibility to participate: Open to all dogs at least 12 months of age that are individually registered/listed with the AKC. This includes dogs recorded in the FSS program, dogs with PAL numbers, or dogs enrolled in the AKC Canine Partners program. Females in-season may not enter. A dog may enter only once per event (An event number defines the event.)

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9. An inspection committee shall inspect each entry for lameness, fitness to compete, and females in-season. The inspection committee is responsible for measuring the height at the withers if necessary.
10. Safety: Safety is of utmost importance. The event committee is responsible for ensuring the safety of the course, the equipment, and the conduct of those involved in the event. It is recommended that the event committee run a test dog before the start of the event to ensure that the equipment functions correctly and that all personnel understand their jobs. Before moving the lure to position it for a start, the lure operator shall announce "Hold your dogs" to caution owners.
11. The Start: Dogs may start up to 10 feet behind the starting line. There will be a line on the ground indicating the 10-foot mark. Both front paws must be forward of the release line.
12. The Finish: The club must provide enough room for a safe run-out area. It is suggested that this be a minimum of 30 yards, however, this is up to the club's decision, given the specifics of the setting. The club should consider fencing at the end of the course to help collect the dogs. It is recommended that an owner or someone familiar with the dog stand at the finish to catch the dog once the course has been completed.
13. Timing Devices: The time to complete the 100-yard dash is recorded to the nearest 1/100<sup>th</sup> of a second (i.e. 9.11) The club will use break the beam equipment to obtain the time. If the timers fail, stopwatches will be used, and two timers will be positioned at the finish line. An individual at the start line shall signal with an arm drop the moment the nose of the dog crosses the start line. The timers shall start their stopwatches at the beginning of the arm drop. The timers shall stop their watches when the nose of the dog crosses the finish line. The times from the two stopwatches shall be averaged to determine the recorded time.
14. Lure Equipment: The event will be run with a reversible, variable speed, continuous loop system. The lure operator and the lure equipment shall be safely positioned in a manner that does not interfere with retrieving the dogs at the end of the course.
15. Lure: A white plastic bag will be used for the lure.
16. Course/Fencing: The course is essentially flat, on grass, and the course area is fenced with 4' white rope fencing
17. The Hunt Master has control of the course. In summary, the Hunt Master is in charge of all dogs and handlers on the field, shall ensure handlers understand safe release and retrieval procedures, shall provide the lure is positioned correctly, shall ensure the lure operator, timers, and starting line signal person are ready, shall signal the lure operator to start the lure and shall give the verbal signal "tallyho" to release the dog.

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# Official American Kennel Club Entry Form



<b>Club:</b> <b>Five Valley Kennel Club</b> <b>MAKE ALL CHECKS &amp; MONEY ORDERS PAYABLE TO:</b> <b>HarmonyDogSports</b> <u>Mail fees and entries to test secretary at:</u> <b>HarmonyDogSports</b> 6860 S Adams Way Centennial, CO 80122		<b>Events: (One form per dog)</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Test 1:</b> 05/30/2024, 2024010613 <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Test 2:</b> 05/30/2024, 2024010614 <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Test 3:</b> 05/31/2024, 2024010615 <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Test 4:</b> 05/31/2024, 2024010616 <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Test 5:</b> 06/01/2024, 2024010617 <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Test 6:</b> 06/01/2024, 2024010618 <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Test 7:</b> 06/02/2024, 2024010619 <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Test 8:</b> 06/02/2024, 2024010620 <b>Entry Fee Enclosed:</b>	
<b>Location:</b> 901South Avenue W., Missoula MT, 59801		<b>Event Type:</b> Fast CAT Test	
<b>Registered Name (full name of dog) – No Titles please:</b>		<b>Check the appropriate box &amp; include the number below:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> AKC <input type="checkbox"/> PAL <input type="checkbox"/> Canine Partners <input type="checkbox"/> FSS <input type="checkbox"/> Foreign & list country _____ <b>Registration Number:</b>	
<b>Sire:</b>	<b>Dam:</b>		
<b>Call Name:</b>		<b>Date of Birth:</b>	<b>Sex:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female
<b>Breed:</b>		<b>Breeder's Name:</b>	
<b>Dog's Height at the Withers:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Under 12" <input type="checkbox"/> 12" to less than 18" <input type="checkbox"/> 18" and above			
<b>Jr. Handler Name (if any):</b>		<b>Jr. Handler #:</b>	
<b>Actual Owner(s) Name:</b>			
<b>Owners Address:</b>			
<b>Telephone #:</b>		<b>Email Address:</b>	
<p><b>Agreement:</b> I certify that I am the actual owner, or that I am the duly authorized agent of the actual owner whose name I have entered above. In consideration of 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 accordance with them. I (we) agree that the club holding the 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, 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 the 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 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. AKC Rules, Regulations and Guidelines are available on the American Kennel Club website: <a href="http://www.akc.org">www.akc.org</a></p>			
<b>Signature of owner or agent authorized to make this entry:</b>		<b>Date:</b>	
<i>By signing above, I acknowledge that HarmonyDogSports and the host club aforementioned are not liable parties.</i>			

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