



Four Barn Hunt Trials will be held at the same location on Wednesday, October 5<sup>th</sup> and Thursday, October 6<sup>th</sup>.

These trials are open to all breeds and mixed breeds.

Premium list can be found on [www.barnhunt.com](http://www.barnhunt.com) under Event Calendar or [www.westieclubamerica.com](http://www.westieclubamerica.com) under Events, National Specialty

## Premium List



West Highland White Terrier Club of America  
Member of the American Kennel Club

Four FAST Coursing Ability Tests  
(fenced)

Two Tests Per Day, run concurrently

Open to all Breeds and All-American dogs

For all dogs at least 12 months of age and individually registered/listed with the AKC registration as purebreds, Foundation Stock Service (FSS) dogs, Purebred Alternative Listing (PAL) dogs or AKC Canine Partners

Kimberton Fairgrounds, Rt 113 North, Kimberton, PA  
(for GPS directions, use 762 Pike Springs Rd, Phoenixville, PA 19460)

**October 7, 2022**

(Event #2022056925 Test 1) (Event # #2022056926 Test 2)

**October 8, 2022**

(Event #2022056927 Test 1) (Event #2022056929 Test 2)



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

Limited to 100 Entries per test or 200 per day  
No Late or Day of show entries accepted.

Entries open for West Highland White Terriers on July 8<sup>th</sup>.

For others, entries open on August 12<sup>th</sup>.

Entries will be accepted until September 23, 2022 at 6 pm.

**Mail Entries to:**

**Shelley Marvin, Trial Secretary**

**1225 Newcastle Dr, Bloomington, IL 61704**

*Expedited deliveries should **NOT** require signature for delivery.*

Make checks payable to WHWTCA

ENTRY FEES per Test per dog  
Entry fee per run .....\$22.00

TEST HOURS: 9 A.M. until completion.

Friday, October 7, 2022 and Saturday, October 8, 2022

TEST HOURS 9:00 AM until completion  
ROLL CALL & INSPECTION 8:45 AM to 2:45 PM

**Event Chair:** Linda Shartzter, 27 Coventry Drive, Clifton Park, NY 12065; [linda.shartzter@gmail.com](mailto:linda.shartzter@gmail.com)

**Event Secretary:** Shelley Marvin, 1225 Newcastle Drive, Bloomington IL 61704; [agilitymom62@yahoo.com](mailto:agilitymom62@yahoo.com), (309) 830-3932 (cell)

**Test Committee:** Shelley Marvin, Linda Shartzter, Norm Shartzter, Virginia McAlister, Bernadette Garry, Kathleen Farrell

**West Highland White Terrier Club of America Officers:**

Cathy Blacklock, President; Kenneth Fodill, 1st Vice President; Shelley Marvin, 2nd Vice President; Cynthia Ladutko, Recording Secretary; Patty Fleming, Corresponding Secretary; Lisa Pacheco, Treasurer.

**Directors:**

Class of 2022-Sharon Wilson, Thomas Barrie, Kathleen Farrell  
Class of 2023 – Kristine Tarrer, Mary Ann Neal, Robert McCaskill  
Class of 2024-Christopher Goss, James McGarr, Jared Sporleder

**WHAT IS FAST CAT?**

- Fast CAT is a timed straight 100-yard dash for dogs.
- Dogs are held at the start line and the lure is activated, prompting the dog to follow, chasing it to the finish line and into a catch pen.
  - **One person releases the dog, another person catches the dog at the finish line. The owner or someone familiar with the dog is recommended to catch the dog. Be sure to have two leashes.**
- 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:  $204.545 / \text{RUN TIME} = \text{MPH}$
- Based on the dog's size at the withers, a handicap is applied to calculate points earned:
  - 18" or greater: Handicap = 1.0
  - 12" up to less than 18": Handicap = 1.5.
  - Below 12": Handicap = 2.0.
- $\text{MPH} \times \text{HANDICAP} = \text{POINTS (ROUNDED TO NEAREST 0.01)}$

**FIELD & EQUIPMENT**

A drag lure will be used. The lure will consist of white plastic bags and/or squawker. The field is mowed grass and basically level. The course is fully fenced. Please refer to "Eligibility and Rules" for details on class eligibility.

## CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

- All entries must be one year of age or older on the day of the test.
- Dogs must be present before the end of roll call. No refund for absent dogs.
- Bitches in season and lame dogs will be excused. Entry fees will be refunded if trial secretary is notified before the end of the test.
- All dogs run at owner's sole risk. The hosting club and property owners, their agents, members, representatives, volunteers, etc. assume no responsibility for any loss, damage, or injury sustained by exhibitors and 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.
- There will be a \$50 returned check charge.
- A \$5 fine will be assessed for any loose dog on the field that is not competing in the course in progress or for any handler not cleaning up after their dog.
- 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 its members and representatives.

## RIBBONS & ROSETTES

WHWTCA will award a light blue flat ribbon to each dog that receives a qualifying leg toward a Fast CAT title. Rosettes are available for each dog that receives a Fast CAT Title (BCAT, DCAT, FCAT).

## TITLES

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

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)

## TIPS FOR HANDLERS

1. Dogs may run with a flat collar. No harnesses, clothes, or other types of collars are allowed.
2. Keep well away from the FAST CAT course when not entering or leaving the course. This is for the protection of your dog and also to avoid distracting dogs running the course.
3. A dog that relieves itself on the course will fail the test, so potty your dog before your run.
4. Dogs will be brought to the start line on leash and released only upon a verbal signal ("Tally-Ho!") from the Huntmaster.
5. Dog must be retrieved upon completion of the run and leave the field on leash.
6. Handlers are advised to warm up their dogs prior to their run and walk them for about 10 minutes afterwards.
7. Coursing Ability is a physically demanding sport so please make sure your dog is in good shape. If you are not sure, make an appointment with a veterinarian to get an opinion.
8. No food or toys may be shown or used until AFTER your dog crosses the finish line.

Tests will run concurrently. Scheduling will be done in blocks to reduce crowds. We will be using a set run order. Your dog will have ~25 dogs between his two runs (if both tests entered), which equates to about one hour. Multiple dogs with the same owner will be spaced about 10 dogs (~20 min) apart, if running in the same block.

Please arrive at least 15-20 minutes before your block begins for check-in, inspection, and to warm-up your dog(s). Please remain in designated holding area until you are called to the gate.

If a dog is not present when it is called to run its test, the dog's name will be moved to the end of the running order. **After roll call and inspection closes, any entered dog that has not yet tested and is not present within 5 minutes of completion of the last course will be marked absent and no refund will be given.**

The WHWTCA will incorporate and follow AKC Fast CAT Best Practices.

#### HOTELS/MOTELS

Hampton Inn-Exton, 4 N. Pottstown Pike, Exton, PA  
(610) 363- 5555

Residence Inn, 10 Pottstown Pike, Exton, PA  
(610) 594-9705

Extended Stay America, 877 N. Pottstown Pike, Exton, PA  
(610) 524-7185

Comfort Suites, 700 West Uwchlan Avenue, Exton, PA  
(610) 594- 4770

Motel 6, 815 West Dekalb Pike, King of Prussia, PA  
(610) 265-7200

#### Volunteers

If you are able to help out at the Fast CAT tests, please volunteer. Helpers are always appreciated and greatly needed! Don't worry if you've never done it before; we will bring you up to speed. **See attached volunteer descriptions.** Please include this volunteer page with your entry form or email Linda Shartzter at [linda.shartzter@gmail.com](mailto:linda.shartzter@gmail.com). You will also receive a SignUp Genius invitation via email once your entry is received to sign up to volunteer.

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

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

I can help:

\_\_\_\_ Friday \_\_\_\_ Saturday \_\_\_\_ A.M. \_\_\_\_ P.M.

\_\_\_\_ Inspection (2 needed)

\_\_\_\_ Huntmaster

\_\_\_\_ Gate Steward

\_\_\_\_ Ribbon Superintendent

\_\_\_\_ Exit Gate Steward

\_\_\_\_ Releasers (2 needed)

\_\_\_\_ Set up (Thursday evening)

\_\_\_\_ Clean up (Saturday afternoon)

#### Lunch Pre-Orders & RV Reservations

On-site Panera box lunches will be available BY PRE-ORDER ONLY. Also, there are several food options within 10 minutes of the site. Volunteers will be provided free lunch (not Panera).

RV Overnight Parking is available on-site with PRE-PAID RESERVATIONS.

Contact Jim Nuss for additional information at [bayshorewesties@comcast.net](mailto:bayshorewesties@comcast.net).

Reservations for both the pre-paid Panera lunch and RV Overnight Parking may be made online via PayPal. Go to the "Events" tab, "National Specialty" at [www.westieclubamerica.com](http://www.westieclubamerica.com)

# **FAST CAT VOLUNTEER POSITION DESCRIPTIONS**

## **HUNTMASTER:**

- Ensures that the dog has at least two paws within the start box.
- Ensures that the lure is positioned in front of the dog before the signal is given to start.
- Questions the Lure Operator and handlers asking “Are you ready?” After affirmative answers from both parties, the Huntmaster will begin the course.
- Provides a hand signal to the Lure Operator to start the lure.
- Gives the verbal signal “Tallyho” to release the dog. Dog should not be released before the sound of the “T” in “Tallyho.”
- Causes the lure to be stopped in any potentially dangerous situation and signal the handler to retrieve their dog when appropriate or when necessary for the safety of the dog.
- Instructs the handlers to retrieve the dog if the dog fails to compete.
- Inspects the lure before each run.

## **INSPECTION/MEASURING COMMITTEE:**

- Consists of at least two WHWTCA members, who shall inspect each entry for lameness, fitness to compete, bitches in season.
- Measures any dog whose handler does not present a valid AKC height card, is unsure of the dog’s height, or if the dog is close to a height cutoff.
- Inspection shall take place prior to each run.
- Any dog found to be unfit to compete, lame, or bitches in season shall be barred from competition and entry fees shall be refunded.

## **GATE STEWARD:**

- Call dogs to staging area in block running order.
- Ensures catcher is ready for dog to run.
- Communicates the name/number of the dog running the course to the timer.
- Ensures that proper collar is being worn by dog. No prong, electric or martingale collars are allowed. No tags may be affixed. Dogs may run naked.
- Ensures that gate is closed and secured.

## **EXIT GATE STEWARD:**

- Ensures that catcher is ready for dog to run.
- Ensures that catcher has leash ready for securing dog after the run.
- Reminds catcher that no food or toys may be shown/used until AFTER the dog crosses the finish line.
- Opens the gate for catcher and dog to leave run area.

## **RIBBON SUPERINTENDENT:**

- Places qualifying ribbons on table to be picked up by exhibitor.
- If new title is earned, records dog name, handler name and title earned.

## **RELEASER:**

- Assist exhibitors with releasing their dog so they may be the catcher.
- Hold dog in staging area until its turn.
- Hand running sticker to gate steward.
- Remove leash and release dog.
- Place leash in catch bucket for catcher to retrieve.

## **SET UP:**

- Set up EZUps for inspection area and timer area.
- Set up garbage can at inspection area.
- Set up 2 folding tables and chairs for inspection/check in area.
- Set up small table for Gate Steward.
- Set up 1 folding table and 2 chairs for timer and secretary area.
- Set up 1 folding table and 1 chair for ribbon superintendent.
- Set up photo backdrop area.

## **CLEAN UP:**

- Put away tables, chairs, EZUps and garbage receptacles.
- Put away ribbons, photo backdrops and other event items.
- Pick up and return grounds to pre-event status.

## AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB LURE COURSING ENTRY FORM

**Entry Fees PER TEST: \$22**

*Mail entry form(s) and check payable to WHWTCA to:  
Shelley Marvin, 1225 Newcastle Drive, Bloomington, IL 61704*

Host Club: <i>West Highland White Terrier Club of America (WHWTCA)</i> Event Dates: <i>Friday, October 7 – Saturday, October 8, 2022</i>	Events entered: <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Friday Fast CAT Test #1</b> (#2022056925) <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Friday Fast CAT Test #2</b> (#2022056926) <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Saturday Fast CAT Test #1</b> (#2022056927) <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Saturday Fast CAT Test #2</b> (#2022056929) <i>(only one entry form is needed per dog)</i>
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Dog's Shoulder Height: <input type="checkbox"/> Under 12" <input type="checkbox"/> 12" – 17.9" <input type="checkbox"/> Unsure <input type="checkbox"/> 18" & Over	Breed:	Entry fees enclosed: \$
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AKC Registration # <i>(include prefix)</i>	Sex:	Date of Birth:
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Dog's Call Name:

Registered Name of Dog:

Owner:

Owner Address:

City:	State:	Zip:
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Email:	Telephone:
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Junior Handler Name & Number:	Title(s) expected at this event (if any):
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*(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.

Signature of Owner or Agent authorized to make the entry:	Date:
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Emergency Contact Person:	Emergency Contact Telephone #:
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