

## PREMIUM LIST

AKC All-Breed Fast Coursing Ability Test



**Greater Pittsburgh Golden Retriever Club**

**December 21 & 22, 2024**

Saturday Dec 21— AM EVENT # 2024155628 PM#2024155629

**(Limited to 100 dogs per event)**

Sunday Dec 22— AM EVENT #2024155630 PM #2024155631

**(Limited to 100 dogs per event)**

**ENTIRES LIMITED**

**PRE-ENTRIES ENTRIES CLOSE ON December 10, 2024**

## EVENT LOCATION

139 Whites Road, Derry, PA 15627



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

*Gina DiNardo, Executive Secretary*

**Entry Fee—Entry Opens: November 10, 2024**

**\$20.00 per entry per dog per event**

**Day of Entry Fee: \$25**

**(Includes \$3.50 AKC recording fee)**

**Pre-entry will be accepted only online.**

**NO OTHER METHOD ACCEPTED**

**NO MAILED PRE-ENTRY ACCEPTED—NO TEXT ENTRY**

**ENTER HERE: [Form will be available opening day of the event.](#)**

## Conditions of Entry

**Entries are limited as specified on event number.** Two events will run concurrently. Run your dog with a small break between runs if entered twice, and you are free to leave after both runs. The run order will be based on entries received. All refunds are subject to a \$5 administrative fee per entry. **No refunds after December 10, 2024** Dogs will run in the order of entry received, except for dogs of workers, who are volunteering during the event. Worker dogs will run first. **Bitches in season and lame dogs will be excused and a refund issued.**

Dogs must have an AKC registration number and be at least one year of age on the day of the event. Dogs may only run once per event. FastCAT events are open to all dogs at least 12 months of age that are individually registered with the AKC, recorded in the Foundation Stock Service (FSS) program, individually registered with a foreign or domestic registry organization whose pedigrees are acceptable for AKC registration, dogs granted a Purebred Alternative Listing (PAL) number, dogs with AKC Limited or Conditional Registration, or dogs enrolled in the AKC Canine Partners Program. Dogs with breed disqualifications and monorchid/cryptorchid dogs are eligible to participate.

## Course Information

The entire 100 yard course will be run on a natural grass turf field. Length of runout area past the finish line will be 50 yards long. Fencing will be portable plastic snow fencing 36" tall on the course and run out area.

## Greater Pittsburgh Golden Retriever Club

### Officers

Marcy Kronz, Pittsburgh, PA - President

Melissa Jarvis, Wexford, PA - Vice President

Cindy Pawlowski, Greensburg, PA - Secretary

Danielle Reilly, Irwin, PA - Treasurer

### Event Committee

**Field Chairman:** David Stouffer

117 Maltese Lane, Greensburg, PA 15601

**Event Secretary:** Alyshia Funk

1062 Fox Ridge Rd. , New Salem, PA 15468 (412)977-8376

e: mail: drivetrainGSD@outlook.com

**Trial Committee:** Karen Winter, Matt Krinock, Kellynn Krinock, Eric Winter, Mellissa Voll-Stouffer

### Huntmasters

Karen Winter, Mellissa Voll-Stouffer

### Lure Operator (Continuous Loop)

Mathew Krinock, Eric Winter, Miranda Thornsberry

### Photographer

Megan Johnson Photography LLC

meganjohnsonphotographyllc.com

### Timer Operator (FarmTek)

Eric Winter/ Dawn Logan

**GPGRC will offer light food & beverages  
by donation at their club table.**

### EVENT HOURS

Grounds will be available at 8:00AM on Saturday, December 21, 2024 and Sunday, December 22, 2024. It is the responsibility of each entrant to make an effort to be ready when their dog is called to the line.

### ROLL CALL OPENS

**Saturday/Sunday at 8:30 AM**

Upon arrival each entrant should check in at Secretary desk and be ready to present their dog for Roll Call inspection. Verify your run order number, and be prepared to run when called. A rolling roll call will be used for all events. Roll call, run your dog, cool out your dog, roll call and run again for your second event. **YOU MUST ROLL CALL YOUR DOG AFTER THE FIRST RUN.**

### RIBBONS AND ROSETTES

The host club will offer a light blue flat ribbon for a passing qualifying run. Advanced title rosettes will be awarded to dogs earning an advanced title at these events.

### EVENT SITE DIRECTIONS

From Rt 22 New Alexandria: South on Route 981 to LEFT Keystone Park Road. 3.3 Miles to Whites Road on the RIGHT. Road is marked NO OUT-LET. Parking area will be marked.

### EMERGENCY VETERINARIANS

#### AVETS

2674 Monroeville BLVD

Monroeville, PA 15146

**412-373-4200**

**NO SMOKING AND NO ALCOHOL PERMITTED ON PREMISES**

## RV INFORMATION

### NO ONSITE OVERNIGHT PARKING AVAILABLE

#### NOTICE TO ALL EXHIBITORS

- \* All exhibitors are responsible for cleaning up after their dogs and themselves while on the property. Any abuse of the grounds will be brought to the attention of the Event Committee.

A portable toilet will be available at the field.

- \* Dogs should be warmed up before and cooled down after running.
- \* ALL DOGS RUN AT OWNER'S SOLE RISK
- \* **ALL DOGS MUST BE LEASHED ON EVENT PROPERTY.** No electronic or prong collars permitted on event grounds.

ALL AKC RULES REGARDING SPORTSMANSHIP AND CONDUCT APPLY

- \* This is a RAIN or SHINE outdoor event. Please plan accordingly. PLEASE BRING SHADE AND WATER FOR YOUR DOG!
- \* An electronic timing system will be used. (FarmTek)  
Lure machine is a continuous loop, plastic strip machine. (Bobinator)
- \* Bitches in season and lame dogs will be EXCUSED.
- \* The event grounds are not completely fenced. The FAST CAT Course will be fenced with plastic snow fencing. Including a the run out area.

## NOTICE TO ALL EXHIBITORS

**The Huntmaster is responsible for field safety.** Therefore, he/she is in complete charge of all dogs and handlers on the field. He/she has the authority stop the lure in any potentially dangerous situation and signal handler to retrieve their dog.

Dog(s) and /or person(s) exhibiting conduct detrimental to the AKC will be asked to leave the event site by the Event Committee and may be disciplined by the AKC. Entry fees will not be refunded.

NO ENTRY FEES WILL BE REFUNDED if the event cannot be started or completed by reason of riots, civil disturbances, fire, extreme and/or dangerous weather conditions, an Act of God, public emergency, act of a public enemy, strikes or any other cause beyond the control of the club.

**Pittsburgh Golden Retriever Club, it's agents, members, representatives, volunteers, et. al assume no liability or responsibility for any loss, damage or injury sustained by exhibitors, handlers, or to any of their dogs or property and further assumes no responsibility for injury to children or spectators before, during or after this event.**

A \$5 fine will be assessed for any loose dog on the field not competing, or an exhibitor that is caught not cleaning up after their dog.



**PHOTOS WITH SANTA**—Available for a donation to Crisis Response Canines. [Home](#) | [Crisis Response Canines \(crisiscanines.org\)](#)

**First time entry? Please ask for help at the secretary desk when you roll call. We want everyone to have a fun time and we have people to help you get your dog started in this fun sport.**



## COLLARS!

Dogs may run without a collar or wear any type of collar **except** choker collars, electronic training collars or head collar. Collars should be snug. **Hanging tags pose a safety concern and it is suggested that tags be secured to the collar with tape.** Dogs may run muzzled if desired. Clips or rubber bands may be used to keep long hair from falling across the dog's field of vision. The Huntmaster may refuse to run any dog that arrives at the start line in a collar that is not acceptable. **Have questions about your collar? Ask for help!**

### Some pointers for the owners/handlers:

Fitness is fundamental. Dogs can become very stimulated by the sight of a moving lure and an unfit dog may push itself too hard for its overall conditioning level. Bring your dog trim, well-hydrated, with nails of acceptable length to the FAST CAT starting line. Owners of dogs which can have difficulty in extremely hot or cold conditions should use good judgment and not endanger their dogs by running in conditions for which it is not well suited according to its age, coat type, or breed type.

- Understand the rules. If you are unclear on any point, ask at the secretary table at the start of the event.
- Be prompt to the line. If exhibitors at a 60-dog event each take an extra minute to get to the line, the event runs an hour longer.
- Make sure that your dog has relieved itself prior to running. Send your catcher to the finish/catch pen before entering the start line!
- Volunteer to help. As FAST CAT, unlike CAT, requires both a releaser and a catcher, if you are by yourself offer to help others with this in exchange for help with running your dog. It's a great way to make a new friend!
- HAVE FUN!

Learn more: [Fast CAT – American Kennel Club \(akc.org\)](http://akc.org)

## What is Fast CAT?

Fast CAT is a timed straight 100-yard dash for dogs. Dogs are held at the start line and the coursing lure is activated prompting the dog to follow chasing it to the finish line and into a catch pen. The course is completely fenced and dogs are run individually. Dogs are timed when they complete the 100-yard dash. The time is converted to Miles Per Hour (MPH).

FORMULA:  $204.545 / \text{RUN TIME} = \text{MPH}$

$\text{MPH} \times \text{HANDICAP} = \text{POINTS (ROUNDED TO NEAREST 0.01)}$

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

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

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Titles are earned at specific point levels and the highest suffix may appear after the dog's name:

BCAT = 150 points

DCAT = 500 points

FCAT = 1,000 points

FCAT# = Each additional 500 points

Coursing is an athletic activity that can tax a dog's physical strength. Dogs that are overweight and/or out of condition may be at greater risk for injury and exhaustion. The Inspection Committee has the authority to disallow a dog's entry into a event and, in such instances, applicable entry fees will be refunded. Dogs will be examined for lameness before running. Bitches in season, lame and unfit dogs will be excused with entry refunded. **Please do not bring bitches in season that are not competing to the event.**