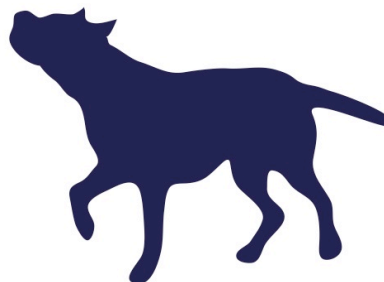


FINISH forward**DOGS**



Presents



APDT Sanctioned Rally Obedience Trials

Saturday & Sunday September 18th & 19th, 2010

This is a titling event under APDT Rally-O rules and regulations.

Open to all dogs of any breed (including mixed!)

www.apdt.com/rally

Judges

Sumac Grant-Johnson, Annette MacNair and Carolyn Ross

Host & Location

Finish Forward Dogs, 30 Spring Hill Road, Saco, ME 04072

www.finishforwarddogs.com

Trial held indoors on rubber flooring. Indoor crating space available.

Entries open August 18th, 2010 (by postmark date)

Entries submitted via Federal Express or Express Mail will be accepted only if the signature waiver is signed.

No telephone, e-mail, or fax entries will be accepted.

Closing Date September 10th, 2010

We reserve the right to accept entries after the closing date and/or day of show entries IF the trial has not filled.

Move ups: Please submit move ups by September 15th. Move ups will be accepted between each trial from A to B or by level.

Trial Schedule

Doors Open at 4:00PM on Friday and 7:00AM Saturday & Sunday.

General briefing, judges briefing and walk through will begin at 7:30AM for Level 1 each morning. Classes will be run in the order listed below. Each trial will begin immediately following the preceding trial.

Saturday, September 18th, 2010

(Limited to 100 runs)

Trial 1

Level 1, Puppy Judge: Carolyn Ross
Level 2, 3 Judge: Sumac Grant-Johnson

Trial 2

Level 1, 2, Puppy Judge: Annette MacNair
Level 3 Judge: Sumac Grant-Johnson

Sunday, September 19th, 2010

(Limited to 100 runs)

Trial 3

Level 1 Judge: Annette MacNair
Level 2, 3 Judge: Sumac Grant-Johnson

Trial 4

Level 1 Judge: Carolyn Ross
Level 2 Judge: Annette MacNair

Trial 5

Level 1 Judge: Annette MacNair
Level 2 Judge: Sumac Grant-Johnson

<p><u>Trial Chairperson:</u> Shannan Hall-Nutting Finish Forward Dogs, Inc Saco, Maine 04072 info@finishforwarddogs.com 207.251.2296</p>	<p><u>Trial Secretary:</u> Kathy Velek 24 Legrow Road Gray, Maine 04039 kvelek@maine.rr.com 207.657.5699</p>
<p>Trial Committee Members: Shannan Hall-Nutting, Jill Simmons, Kathy Velek APDT Representatives: Shannan Hall-Nutting, Kathy Velek</p>	

Facility, Check-in, Parking, Briefings, Walk-thrus, etc....

Friday Check-in and Set-up:

Early check-in will be available on Friday evening from **4:00PM to 7:00PM**.

APDT Rally Run-thrus:

Run-thrus for competitors will be offered on Friday during early check-in hours, **4:00PM to 7:00PM** at Finish Forward Dogs. Level 1 and 2 nested course will be set. \$10 per dog for unlimited runs.

Saturday & Sunday Check-in and Set-up:

Check-in for Saturday and Sunday will begin at **7:00AM**.

Trial Times:

Saturday, Trial 1 runs will begin at **8:00AM**.

Start time for Trial 2 is estimated to begin no earlier than **1:00PM**.

Sunday, Trial 3 runs will begin at **8:00AM**.

Start time for Trials 4 & 5 will be immediately following the completion of the preceding trial.

Crating:

Indoor crating space will be available. We have ample onsite parking and competitors have the choice to work directly from the car. Chairs are available to competitors and a small spectator area is available.

Judge's briefing and walk-thru will precede each class.

Move-ups will be allowed between trials both in level and class.

Light refreshments and beverages will be available on site for purchase. Area restaurants and fast food are within a short driving distance of the trial site.

*Finish Forward Dogs will offer opportunities to become familiar with all levels of APDT Rally-O (rules, exercises and courses) prior to our trial. Contact us at 207-251-2296, or visit our web site (www.finishforwarddogs.com) for class and event details.

Special Awards will be presented upon completion of trial 5.

High Combined Weekend awards will be presented to the top 5 teams from those competing in at least one class per trial.

Hotel/Motel Information

Contact the businesses directly for current pet rules and to make your reservations in advance.

Hampton Inn	48 Industrial Park Road Saco, ME 04072	207-282-7222	1.6 miles (3 minutes)
Ramada Inn	352 North Street Saco, ME 04072	207-286-9600	2.71 miles (5 minutes)
Mention Finish Forward Dogs for a special \$79/night rate for the above hotels!			

Other hotels:

Comfort Inn & Suites	329 US Rte 1 Scarborough, ME 04074	207-883-2700	5.69 miles (9 minutes)
Residence Inn by Marriott	800 Roundwood Drive Scarborough, ME 04074	207.883.0400	8.08 miles (13 minutes)
LaQuinta Inn & Suites	340 Park Avenue Portland, ME 04102	207-871-0611	12.6 miles (21 minutes)
Motel 6	One Riverside Street I-95 at Larrabee Road, Exit #48 Portland, ME 04103	207-775-0111	16.36 miles (21 minutes)

Directions To Our Studio:

**Finish Forward Dogs is located 20 minutes south of Portland
30 Spring Hill Road in Saco, Maine 04072**

From I-95/Maine Turnpike:

Via Exit 36 - Saco/OOB, merge onto I-195E (1.1mi) and take the Industrial Park Road exit, Exit 1 (0.2mi). At the bottom of the off-ramp, bear Right onto Industrial Park Road (1.3mi) and travel under the overpass. Industrial Park Road becomes Spring Hill Road (0.6mi), so stay straight and look for 30 Spring Hill Road on your right.

From Rte 1 North/Portland Road: Watch for Funtown/Splashtown and Prime Nissan, which are both located on your Left, and in 1/3 mile take a Left onto Spring Hill Rd (Saco Industrial Park). Look for the bright yellow KOA Campground Sign, which is located at the foot of Spring Hill Road. FFD is on the Left, 1/3 mile from US Route 1.

From Rte 1 South/Portland Road: Approximately 1.4 miles past Aquaboggan Water Park, look for Jolly John Auto City, which is located on your Right, and take a Right onto Spring Hill Rd (Saco Industrial Park). Look for the bright yellow KOA Campground Sign, which is located at the foot of Spring Hill Road. FFD is on the Left, 1/3 mile from US Route 1.

Emergency Vet Care:	Hospital:
<p>Maine Veterinary Referral Center (24 hour Emergency Clinic) 1500 Technology Way Enterprise Business Park Scarborough, ME 04074 TELE: 207.885.1290/FAX: 207.885.1293 www.maineveterinaryreferralcenter.com mvrc@maineveterinaryreferralcenter.com</p> <p>Total Distance: 6.02 miles Total Time: 12 minutes</p>	<p>Southern Maine Medical Center 235 Main Street Biddeford, ME 04005 TELE: 207.283.7000</p> <p>Total Distance: 3.82 miles Total Time: 8 minutes</p>

APDT Rally Obedience Description

For a complete description of the Rally rules, regulations, performance guidelines, explanation of exercises, etc. go to APDT.com/RallyO/index.htm. To learn more and get new ideas, you can join the “all dogs” Rally chat list and talk to other APDT Rally enthusiasts by sending a message to RallyO-All-Dogs-subscribe@yahoogroups.com.

APDT Rally encourages participation by ALL dogs – purebred or mixed breed, pets or titled champions.

Handlers are allowed to encourage their dogs in the ring using verbal praise, petting, and even food rewards just as they would in a good training session. The dogs must perform the exercises correctly and there should be a practiced smooth flow to the performance.

Rally courses, depending on the competition level, consist of 18 to 22 stations, laid out in a numbered pattern (like an agility course), performed on-leash in Level 1 or off-leash in Level 2 and Level 3 (Level 1 title is required to compete at Level 2, Level 2 title is required to compete at Level 3). Also like agility, handlers get to walk the course and familiarize themselves with the pattern without their dog before running the course. During their run, the dog and handler move through the course in heel position, performing each exercise in turn. The highest scores will be earned by teams who move smoothly through the course, completing each exercise accurately with a minimum of commands, and with high enthusiasm and good attitude. Praise and/or verbal encouragement upon completion of exercises are allowed, and extra commands during exercises are minimally penalized. Rally is fun and interesting to watch as the individual style of each team can really show through.

There are as many as 58 different stations, which might be seen in a Rally course, primarily variations on basic heel exercises and other Obedience skills. Many of the stations involve activities you are probably familiar with; such as Slow/Normal/Fast Pace Heel, Halt, Left/Right/About Turn, and Finish Right/Left. Others are simple extensions, such as 270° and 360° Right/Left Turns, Straight Figure Eight, and Send over Jumps.

This Rally-O titling event will allow competitors a chance to earn legs or points toward Rally-O titles. APDT Rally allows all breeds and mixed breeds to compete and is committed to encouraging positive training methods. The APDT is an organization for professional dog trainers with almost 6,000 members worldwide. It was founded in 1993 with the mission of enhancing the human-dog relationship by educating trainers, other animal professionals and the public and advocating dog-friendly training. For more information visit www.APDT.com.

*You must be familiar with all of the different Rally-O exercise signs prior to the event. Go to www.apdt.com/rallyo/index.htm for an explanation of each of the exercise signs and have fun practicing them with your dog.

Puppy and Veterans Classes

Veteran Level is open to all dogs over the age of 8 with a valid APDT Rally registration number. A Veteran Level course will consist of 12 exercises from any Level, plus Start, Finish and a Bonus Exercise from any Level. Please see the APDT Rally Rules and Guidelines Chapter 7 for more info on Veterans Level regulations. **Veteran’s classes are offered Saturday and Sunday trials only.**

Puppy Level is open to all puppies between the age of 6 and 12 months. A Puppy Level course will consist of 10 Level 1 exercises, plus Start, Finish and a Bonus exercise. Please see the APDT Rally Rules and Guidelines Chapter 6 for more info on Puppy Level regulations. **Puppy classes are being offered at these trials.**

Jump Heights

It is not required that dogs be measured the day of the trial or prior to judging. However, judges have the option of measuring any dog prior to his/her performance if the dog appears to be entered in a group lower than might be indicated by his or her registered shoulder height. Jump heights may also be modified or the jump exercise excused entirely based on physical challenges (such as age, body type, or disability such as blindness or the use of a “mobility device”) that a particular dog may face.

- Shoulder height under 12 inches.....Jump 4 inches
- Shoulder height 12 inches to under 16 inches.....Jump 8 inches
- Shoulder height 16 inches to under 20 inchesJump 12 inches
- Shoulder height 20 inches and overJump 16 inches

Level A & B Classes

Level A classes are for teams that have not yet completed their title at that level.

Level B classes are for teams that have already completed their title at that level.

Finish Forward Dogs, Inc

September 2010 APDT Rally Trial Premium

Notice to Competitors

Competitors, through submission of entry, acknowledge that they are knowledgeable of APDT Rally Obedience rules and regulations including but not limited to the following rules regarding entry:

- This trial is open to all dogs being at least six months of age, including purebred and non-purebred, except bitches in season or dogs with disabilities, injuries or illnesses which may cause the dog pain or great discomfort, or dogs exhibiting signs of aggression that threaten the safety of other dogs or humans.
- All dogs must be registered with APDT Rally to compete. A one-time registration form is included and must be submitted DIRECTLY to the Rally-O Coordinator (NOT to trial hosting organization) before the date that a team first submits an entry in a sanctioned trial. We regret that we cannot accept an entry without a valid APDT Rally Registration number. Please visit www.apdt.com (Rally Obedience/Forms) for Dog Registration information.
- Dogs must be shown by a member of the owner's immediate family: mother, father, spouse, life partner, sibling, child, grandparent, or grandchild.
- Safety shall always be of foremost consideration in actions and conduct by handlers at all times. Handlers, through entry at this event, accept full responsibility for themselves and the actions of their dogs.
- The organizing committee may refuse any entry for any reason.
- THERE SHALL BE NO REFUND for entries withdrawn after the closing date or in the event a dog and/or handler are dismissed from competition, regardless of reason for such dismissal. There will be no refunds if the trial has to be cancelled for any reason.
- Returned checks do not constitute a valid entry. There will be a \$25.00 service charge for returned checks. Payment of entry fees and service charges shall be made in cash or money order within 30 days of postmark of notice of returned check where notification is received after event date. Any fees not received within 30 days of notice result in cancellation of event results for all classes for the registration number(s) of delinquent entry/entries. No reinstatement of results is possible, and all awards must be returned within 10 days of notification, or the dog's registration may be suspended pending restitution. Any unpaid fees or shortfalls must be paid prior to the start of the event or entry is canceled without recourse by owner/handler.
- No entry fees will be refunded if the trial cannot open or be completed by reason of riots, civil disturbances, fire, Act of God, public emergency, act of a public enemy, strike or any other cause beyond the control of the organizers.
- All dogs shall be shown in a flat buckle or snap collar, plain harness, or properly fitted martingale (limited slip) collar. No choke collar, prong collars, shock collars, no-pull harnesses, martingale leads, or head collars are allowed.
- All competitors through entry at this event waive any and all rights relative to video broadcast of this event. Competitors shall have the right to videotape portions of this event for their personal use only. No portion of this event may be videotaped for commercial or other purposes. All video, broadcast, and telecast rights for this event are the exclusive property of the APDT or the trial host(s).
- Owners with disabilities are encouraged to compete. Any necessary modifications to the exercises must be provided by the handler to the judge and approved by the judge.
- Upon successful completion of a stationary exercise, the owner may choose to briefly pet or touch the dog as a reward. The owner may also choose to give the dog food as a reward. Food may NOT be used as a lure to help the dog complete an exercise. Food rewards must be contained in pockets or hidden treat pouches and only be present in the owner's hand in between exercises. Any petting, touching, or feeding that significantly interrupts the flow of performance shall be scored accordingly.
- Exhibitors may use food as a reward in the ring upon completion of any stationary exercise. Veteran and Puppy classes allow food rewards to be used more liberally.
- Dogs must remain under control at all times whether on or off leash while on show grounds. Day kenneling only is permitted, unless otherwise posted at the show site. **Crates may be left overnight at your own risk.**
- Please pick up after your dog and yourself.
- This event will be held indoors on 100% recycled rubber mat flooring.

APDT's official Rally-O Rules and Regulations are hereby incorporated by reference, a copy of which may be obtained by going to APDT.com/RallyO/index.htm.



Official Entry Form: Finish Forward Dogs

Saturday & Sunday, September 18th and 19th, 2010

Entries Open: August 18th, 2010 (by postmark)

Entries Close: September 10th, 2010

Return completed entry form & fees to:

Kathy Velek 24 Legrow Road, Gray, ME 04039

Entry Fees payable to Finish Forward Dogs, Inc.



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DOG INFORMATION:

Dog's Call Name:	*APDT Rally Registration # (Required) R- _____ - _____
Dog's APDT Registered Name:	
Circle Jump Height: Levels 2 & 3 only 4" 8" 12" 16"	APDT Rally Titles already earned:
Dog's Date of Birth: (if known)	Breed:
*Dogs must have APDT Rally-O registration number. Entries will not be accepted and/or considered valid without an APDT registration number.	

OWNER/HANDLER INFORMATION:

Handler's Name (must be member of immediate family):	
Mailing Address:	
Phone:	Email:

Entries accepted on a first-come-first-served basis. E-mail confirmations will be sent out as soon as your entry has been received. Please make sure to include a valid E-mail address, or self-addressed postcard. Entries received after closing date will be accepted only if limits have not been reached.

Trial Entry & Fee Information

For each level entered, please indicate (by circling) your intent to enter the 'A' – Titling Class OR 'B' – Championship Class.

<p>Trial 1 – Sat 9/18/10 at 8am Level 1, Puppy Judge: Carolyn Ross Level 2, 3 Judge: Sumac Grant-Johnson</p> <p>Level 1: A or B Puppy: A or B Level 2: A or B Level 3: A or B</p>	<p>Trial 2 – Sat 9/18/10 at 1pm* Level 1, 2, Puppy Judge: Annette MacNair Level 3 Judge: Sumac Grant-Johnson</p> <p>Level 1: A or B Puppy: A or B Level 2: A or B Level 3: A or B</p>	
<p>Trial 3 – Sun 9/19/10 at 8am Level 1 Judge: Annette MacNair Level 2, 3 Judge: Sumac Grant-Johnson</p> <p>Level 1: A or B Level 2: A or B Level 3: A or B</p>	<p>Trial 4 – Sun 9/19/10 Level 1 Judge: Carolyn Ross Level 2 Judge: Annette MacNair</p> <p>Level 1: A or B Level 2: A or B</p>	<p>Trial 5 – Sun 9/19/10 Level 1 Judge: Annette MacNair Level 2 Judge: Sumac Grant-Johnson</p> <p>Level 1: A or B Level 2: A or B</p>

Classes will run according to order listed above. Start time for Trial 2 is estimated and will be no earlier than 1:00PM. Start time for Trials 4 and 5 will be immediately following the completion of the preceding trial.

This entry is not valid unless the agreement on the following page of this form has been completed, signed, and dated. In order to be valid, entries must also be received with correct fees by the closing date at the address provided above. Entries will be accepted by overnight mail only if the signature requirement has been waived.

Entry Fees Submitted:

Total Trial Entry Fees: \$25 per class (# of classes x \$25) OR \$24 per class is you have entered 4 or more classes (# classes x \$24)	\$
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Entry fees payable to: Finish Forward Dogs, Inc.

New Title Information:

Please let us know if you may be earning a NEW TITLE at our trial (circle all that may apply):

RLP RL1 RL2 RL3 RLPX RL1X RL2X RL3X

ARCH ARCHX ARCHEX ARCHMX Other: _____

Special Awards:

Special Awards will be presented upon completion of Trial 5.

High Combined Weekend - to be presented to the top 5 teams. Those teams wanting to compete for High Combined, you must be entered in at least one class in each trial. Your highest score for each trial will be used.

GENERAL AGREEMENT:

I (we) agree that Finish Forward Dogs, Inc has the right to refuse this entry for any cause, which the organizing committee alone shall deem to be sufficient. In consideration of the acceptance of this entry, of the holding of the event, and of the opportunity to have the dog participate and/or to be judged, I (we) agree to hold the organizing committee, the hosting club, the Association of Pet Dog Trainers, including their members, officers, directors, agents and employees, sponsors of the event, and owners of the premises upon which the event is held and their employees, harmless from any claim for loss or injury that may be alleged to have been caused directly or indirectly to any person or thing by the act of this dog while in or upon the event premises or grounds or near any entrance thereto, and I (we) personally assume all responsibility and liability for any such claim. I (we) further agree to hold the aforementioned parties harmless from any claim for loss of this dog by disappearance, theft, death or otherwise, and from any claim for damage or injury to the dog, whether such loss, disappearance, appearance, theft, damage, or injury be caused or alleged to be caused by the negligence of the parties aforementioned, or by the negligence of any other person, or any other cause or causes. I (we) hereby assume the sole responsibility for and agree to indemnify 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 resulting at any time 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, howsoever such injuries, death, or damage to property may be caused, and whether or not the same may have been caused or may have been alleged to have been caused by negligence of the aforementioned parties or any of their employees or agents or any other persons.

I (we) further acknowledge that I (we) have read, understand, and will abide by the Official Rally-O Rules and Regulations of the Association of Pet Dog Trainers and the provisions for entry as set forth in the Rally Test Schedule of which this entry form is a part. I (we) acknowledge and represent that the information supplied by me (us) herein is correct to the best of my (our) knowledge; if any portion of this information is found to be invalid or insufficient to establish the validity of my (our) entry, such finding shall render my (our) entry invalid in its entirety, for which there shall be no refund of fees paid. Further, I (we) represent that I am (we are) the owner(s) of the dog listed hereon, or that I (we) am (are) a family member of the dog's owner as stated and allowed in the APDT Rally rules, and that I (we) shall hold the hosting club and APDT, including their officers, directors, employees and agents and their sponsors, harmless from any liability or claim made by dog's owner.

Further, I (we) hereby grant to the Association of Pet Dog Trainers, Finish Forward Dogs, Inc, their representatives, agents, and assigns, all rights and permissions to use or appropriate my and the dog's name, biography, likeness, photograph, voice, performing persona, or other indicia or identity for broadcast, telecast, cablecast, transmission, or distribution in any format or media now known or hereafter to become known. I (we) hereby release APDT, the hosting club, their representatives, agents, and assigns from any claim or cause of action for invasion of the rights of privacy, right of personality, or any similar right.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent or Legal Guardian signature for junior or minor entries:

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Must be included with entry for entry to be valid.