

PREMIUM LIST

Nova Scotia Duck Tolling Retriever Club (USA)

NSDTRC-USA – Club Website

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One **Nova Scotia Duck Tolling Retriever Specialty** Scent Work Trial

Held under American Kennel Club Rules and Regulations



Red Lodge Airport

1 N Airport Rd, Red Lodge, Montana 59068

Monday, September 14, 2026

Event # 2026608612

Nova Scotia Duck Tolling Retriever Dogs Only

Trial Hours 8:00 am to 5:00 pm.

All times listed in premium are Mountain time zone.



CERTIFICATION Permission is granted by the American Kennel Club for the holding of these events under American Kennel Club rules and regulations.

Sheila Goffe, Executive Secretary

EMERGENCY SERVICES (FIRE, AMBULANCE, POLICE)

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JUDGES

Deborah Killpack (AKC # 114620) Steve Detata (AKC #102725)

Helena, MT

Rancho Santa Margarita, CA

Provisional Novice and Advanced Excellent, Master, and Detective

TRIAL CHAIR

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TRIAL SECRETARY

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TRIAL COMMITTEE

Brenda Belmonte, Carolyn Quakenbush, Maggie Bradney, Diane Sox, Joanna Chui, and any other club members present.

VETERINARIANS

Grizzly Peak Animal Hospital Moorelane Veterinary Hospital

7165 US Hwy 212 Red Lodge, MT 30 Moore Lane Billings, MT

406-446-1778

406-252-4159

Exhibitors should follow their veterinarian's recommendations to ensure their dogs are free of parasites, any communicable diseases, and have appropriate vaccinations.

CLUB OFFICERS

President.....Cindy Lindemer

Vice President.....Annie Garwood

Secretary.....Terri Krause

PO Box 1109, Columbus, MT 59019

Treasurer.....Judy Webb

LEVELS AND CLASSES OFFERED

Levels Offered: Novice, Advanced, Excellent, and Master

Classes Offered: Container, Interior, Exterior, Buried, Detective

First dog on the line at 8:00 am.

ENTRY FEES (per dog)

\$30.00 first entry, \$50 Detective entry, \$25 each additional entry (includes \$4.50 AKC service fee per entry).

Checks and money orders should be made payable to **NSDTRC (USA)** and be U.S. funds only.

Returned checks do not constitute a valid entry, and a \$30 processing fee will be added to all returned checks.

ENTERING THE TRIALS

The method for accepting entries is first received.

Mail or hand delivery accepted at the Trial Secretary's address.

Overnight or certified mail must be sent with the "No Signature Required" waiver signed. A maximum of 10 entries per envelope are allowed.

Entries Open on July 13, 2026 at 8:00 am.

Entries Close on September 4, 2026 at 8:00 pm after which time entries cannot be accepted, canceled, altered, or substituted except as provided for in Chapter 11, Section 6 of the Rules Applying to Dog Shows.

Entries are limited to 250 runs.

UNACCEPTABLE ENTRIES

Conditional, unsigned, incomplete, illegible, or telephone entries cannot be accepted and will be returned to the exhibitor. Entries not on official AKC forms, or photocopies of AKC forms without the agreement attached, cannot be accepted.

DOGS ELIGIBLE TO ENTER

This trial is open to **Nova Scotia Duck Tolling Retriever** dogs six (6) months of age or older that are registered with the American Kennel Club.

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. Dogs with bandages, sutures, or visible wounds are not eligible. Deaf dogs and blind dogs are allowed to enter. Dogs that are both deaf and blind can participate so long as the handler has control of the dog, the dog can complete the requirements of the class, and the dog does not appear to be under undue stress in the opinion of the judge.

Bitches in season are not allowed on the trial grounds.

CONFIRMATION OF ENTRY

If an email address is provided, a preliminary confirmation will be sent soon after the entry is received and processed. Please REVIEW IT CAREFULLY and notify the Trial Secretary of any necessary changes as soon as possible. If an email address is not provided, confirmation of entry will be sent by USPS after closing (no preliminary confirmations will be sent).

A final confirmation with trial details, including arrival times, will be sent after the closing date. If you have not received a final confirmation at least three days prior to the show, contact the Trial Secretary.

MOVE-UPS

Move-ups after entries close must be submitted to the Trial Secretary in writing before 6:00 pm on Wednesday, September 9, 2026. If possible, reply to your confirmation email with your move-up request.

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 or if a duplicate entry is received for a dog. 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.

If you entered by mail or hand delivery, 100% of entry will be refunded for any reason if a written request is received by the Trial Secretary on or before the trial closing.

After closing, entry fees less \$10.00 will be refunded for bitches in season if written notification is received by the Trial Secretary no later than 30 minutes prior to the start of the first class.

Verification from a veterinarian may be required at the club's discretion.

RIBBONS, AWARDS, AND PRIZES

Rosettes will be awarded in each class:

First Place – Blue	Second Place – Red
Third Place – Yellow	Fourth Place – White

In addition, the following prizes will be awarded:

First Place: Insulated Tumbler

New Title: Rosette

High In Trial (Novice, Advanced, Excellent, Master, and Detective): Rosette and Custom Carved Photo Plaque

All prizes, awards and ribbons must be picked up before the end of the show. None will be mailed after the show.

BLAZE AWARD

Blaze Award – The Blaze Award is an award to recognize the highest scoring Master Scent Work dog at each annual National Specialty. Penelope Scott-Fox is the sponsor of this award in honor and memory of her beloved Blaze, MACH10 Java Hill's Flashback RN MXS3 PAD MJB4 PJD MFS TQX T2B9 SWD SWM SHDM WC DS CGCA CGCU TKA (04/07/12 – 9/20/21)

TUMBLEWEED AWARD

This award will be given based on competition at the 2026 Nova Scotia Duck Tolling Retriever Club (USA) National Specialty in Montana. The award serves to recognize and honor the versatility of the breed.

To qualify, a dog must earn points in at least three of the categories listed below.

- Conformation (Points for Sweeps and Breed)
- Field
- Obedience
- Rally
- Agility (Points for both days of Agility)
- Scent Work
- ROCK THE DOCK **FUNd'raiser**

Points are non-cumulative per each event. Participant's highest score from each event will count towards their total. All qualifiers will receive a prize. There will also be an overall top winner who scores the highest total points. The qualifiers will receive recognition in Quackers with a major highlight on the overall top winner.

To enter and for a complete set of guidelines, visit <https://nationals.nsdtrc-usa.org/>.

Best of luck to all and thank you for supporting the Nova Scotia Duck Tolling Retriever Club (USA) 2026 National Specialty!

2026 SOCIAL EVENTS

Please sign up for the meals at <https://nationals.nsdtrc-usa.org/shop>.

- Thursday, September 17 - Bingo at the YDS Corral – Dinner Taco Bar
- Saturday, September 19 – Big Sky BBQ and Awards

HANDLER'S BRIEFING

Handler's briefing information will be detailed in the final confirmation email.

A 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 demonstration 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.

The judge will also give each exhibitor a short briefing when you come to each search area.

*This may be modified in accordance with AKC Best Practices.

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. Details about flow and run order progression will be covered in the final confirmation.

NATIONAL SEXUAL ASSAULT HOTLINE

The AKC is committed to creating a safe and respectful sport environment for all. If you need to talk to someone, or need help, please call 800. 656.HOPE (National Sexual Assault Hotline) or text HOME to 741-741 for free, 24/7, confidential services from trained crisis counselors.

RULES

All exhibitors should obtain a copy of the Regulations for Scent Work Trials by contacting the American Kennel Club, 8051 Arco Corporate Drive, Suite 100, Raleigh, NC 27617-3390, by phone (919) 233-9767, by email at info@akc.org, or by downloading them from the American Kennel Club Website.

<http://images.akc.org/pdf/rulebooks/RSW001.pdf>

NOTICE TO EXHIBITORS

Exhibitors are forbidden to discuss **any** details of the searches with handlers who have not run!

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 a case, no refund of any fees paid will be made. Nova Scotia Duck Tolling Retriever Club (USA) ("the 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. The 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 the club or any official thereof.

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

SITE INFORMATION

It is not appropriate to scout the trial location prior to the trial date. This includes driving into the parking lot or otherwise disturbing their regular business. Many search locations are real-life environments, and such visits may risk the host losing the opportunity to use the location in the future. This trial site will not be used for Scent training one week before the trial.

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.

POSSESSION OF ODORS AND TRAINING

Chapter 5, Section 35 of the Scent Work Regulations states “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.”

SEARCH AREAS AND RING CONDITIONS

Search areas may be of any shape, and search area sizes will be as stated in the AKC regulations for all elements and levels. Searches may be indoors on matted, carpeted or tiled surfaces, or outdoors on grass, gravel, earth, concrete or asphalt surfaces. Trial will take place as scheduled, rain or shine.

STAGING AREA

Staging Area will be out of view of search area(s). The staging area will include warm-up and waiting areas.

WARM-UP AREA

One labeled container per target odor being used in the trial on that day will be placed in the warm-up area. This will allow handler-dog teams to prepare themselves for the search prior to their run. Each team should limit their warm-up to two minutes or less so that others may be able to use the warm-up area as well. Clubs may also place blank containers in the warm-up area if they choose.

SPECTATORS

Spectators (no dogs) may be allowed within the designated area.

SET-UPS

Set-ups are allowed at the site, outdoors only.

CONCESSIONS

Food concessions will NOT be available at the trial site. See pre-paid lunch options and payment information on the Club website: nationals.nsdtcr-usa.org/shop.

OFFICIAL PHOTOGRAPHER

Sweet Az Productions <https://sweetazproductions.com>
email: zach@sweetazproductions.com

COLLARS, HARNESSES AND LEASHES

During searches, dogs must wear a properly fitted collar or harness approved by the judge (tags ok). Dogs are permitted to have a wearable camera such as a Go Pro mounted to the dog's harness, if desired. Leashes may be of any length and/or retractable.

All dogs must be on leash at all times, and retractable leashes may not be used when on trial grounds (except during judged searches where allowed). 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. Handlers will have the option to run Detective class off leash.

DRIVING DIRECTIONS TO TRIAL SITE

Trial site is the Red Lodge Airport, 1 N Airport Rd, Red Lodge, Montana. From I-90, take Exit 434, Laurel/Red Lodge. Travel south towards Red Lodge on Highway 212, about 44 miles. At the traffic circle as you enter Red Lodge, take the first exit onto MT-78 N/Third St and continue for approximately one-half mile. Turn left onto North Airport Road. Parking for the trial will be at hanger #10, the first hanger on the left as you enter the airport property. Look for signs to help guide you.

LODGING AND CAMPING NEAR THE TRIAL

Yellowstone Dog Sports offers a limited number of RV sites with electrical hookups and tent or dry camping with access to water and bathroom/shower facilities. Dog-friendly rooms are also available. Reservations are required and lodgings sell out fast, so make your reservations early! For more information go to www.yellowstonedogsports.com. For reservations, contact Lisa Fields at lisa@yellowstonedogsports.com. To reach YDS from I-90, take Exit 434, Laurel/Red Lodge, go SOUTH towards Red Lodge on Highway 212, about 44 miles. Yellowstone Dog Sports is a large RED building on the right (WEST) side of the highway between mile markers 78 and 77.

There is no RV dump at YDS. There is an RV dump at the Town Pump in Red Lodge.

MOTELS AND CAMPGROUNDS IN SURROUNDING AREA

The American Kennel Club and the NSDTRC (USA) are serious about the need to preserve pet friendly hotels and areas for the future. People who abuse their pet privileges at these hotels are subject to discipline by NSDTRC (USA) and AKC (misbehavior at dog show hotels is covered under AKC jurisdiction). If you are reported by a hotel for abusing your pet privileges, there may be a bench hearing and possible discipline if the hearing results in a determination you acted in a manner contrary to the best interests of the Sport.

Historically, these lodgings have agreed to accept our well-mannered dogs. A pet deposit or other fees may be required. Please check with properties for policies and restrictions.

- Chateau Rouge, 1505 South Broadway, Red Lodge, 800-926-1601
- Quality Inn, 612 North Broadway, Red Lodge, 406-446-4469
- KOA Campground, 7464 US Highway 12, Roberts, 800-562-7540 or 406-446-2364; closest to trial site; cabins, tent sites, RV sites, full and partial hookups, showers
- Perry's RV Park, 6664 US Highway 12, Red Lodge, 406-446-2722; cabins, tent sites, RV sites, full and partial hookups

There are several US Forest Service and Montana Fish Wildlife and Parks camp sites available in the area. Showers are available at the KOA for a nominal fee.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Anyone in violation of a restriction pursuant to AKC rules or policies, or the law can be asked to leave the grounds. If the person fails to leave, the local authorities will be contacted. In addition, if the Club believes laws, restrictions, or conditions of release are being violated by an individual's attendance or participation in AKC events, the local authorities will be contacted immediately, as they have the authority of enforcement.



OFFICIAL AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB SCENT WORK ENTRY FORM

Nova Scotia Duck Tolling Retriever Club (USA) Specialty**September 14, 2026****Opens:** July 13, 2026 at 8:00 am**Closes:** September 4, 2026 at 8:00 pm**Mail to:** Catherine LeCours, 7130 Sagebrush Drive, Helena MT 59602**Entry Fees (US dollars):** \$30.00 first entry, \$50 Detective entry, \$25 each additional entry

	Container	Interior	Exterior	Buried	Detective
Novice A					
Novice B					
Advanced					
Excellent					
Master					
Total Fees:					

AKC Registered Name		AKC Registration Number	
Call name	Date of birth	Sex	
Breed Nova Scotia Duck Tolling Retriever	Variety		
Breeder			
Sire			
Dam			
Owner			
Owner's Address			
City	State	Zip	
Telephone	Email		
Handler name (if different from owner)	Junior Handler # (if applicable)		

Fields marked in blue are REQUIRED.

Fields marked in gray must be completed if the information is known.

Be sure to read the Agreement and sign on the reverse. No form will be processed without your signature!

AKC Rules, Regulations, Policies and Guidelines are available on the American Kennel Club Web site, www.akc.org.**AGREEMENT**

I certify that I am the actual owner of the dog, or that I am the duly authorized agent of the actual owner whose name I have entered. 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 event, and any additional rules and regulations appearing in the premium list of this event and entry form and any decision made in accord with them. I (we) agree that the club holding this 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 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 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 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 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.

INSTRUCTIONS

Please check the box for each class desired to be entered. Dogs may enter two different levels within each element, at each trial. Dogs entering the Advanced, Excellent, Master or Detective classes must have earned the required title, as stipulated in the AKC Scent Work Regulations. Dogs may enter either the Novice "A" class or the Novice "B" class—not both.

Junior Handlers should enter their Junior Handler number on the front of this form. Should you not have your Junior Handler number, it may be obtained from the American Kennel Club (919) 233-9767. If the Junior Handler is not the owner of the dog identified on the face of this form, what is the relationship of the Junior Handler to the Owner?

SIGNATURE of owner or his agent duly authorized to make this entry.

SIGN HERE _____ Telephone Number: _____

In Case of Emergency

Name: _____ Telephone Number: _____