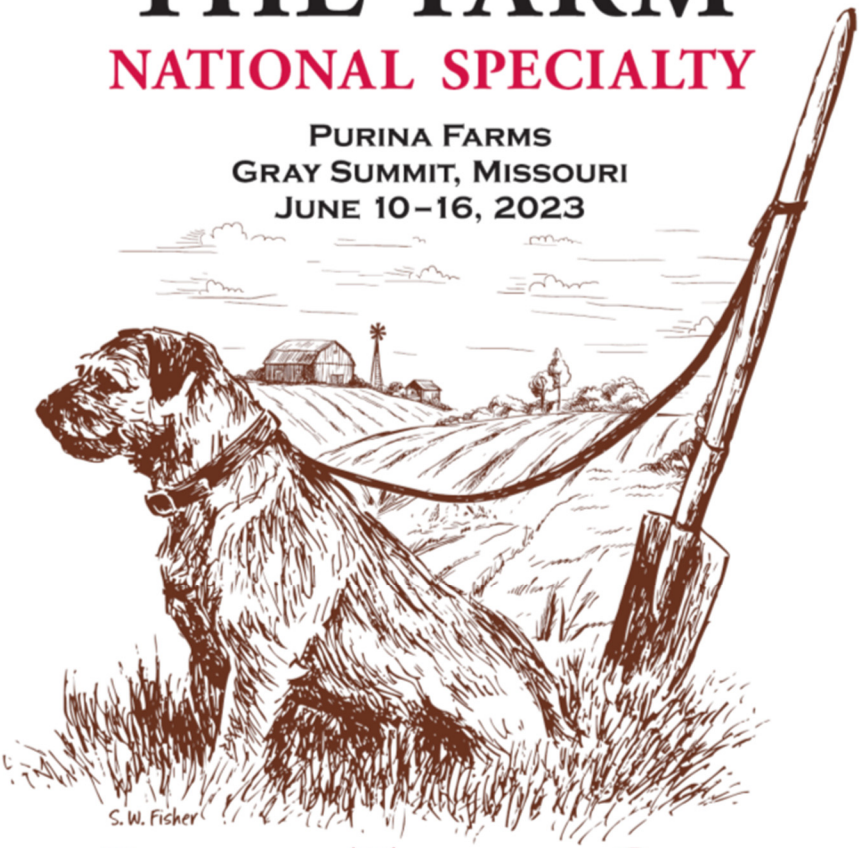
Judging Program

BACK TO THE FARM

NATIONAL SPECIALTY

PURINA FARMS
GRAY SUMMIT, MISSOURI
JUNE 10–16, 2023



BORDER TERRIER CLUB OF AMERICA

Purina Farms Event Center
500 William Danforth Way, Gray Summit, MO 63039
About 50 minutes SW of St Louis & STL Lambert International Airport
About 22 Minutes from Host Hotel

The Border Terrier Club of America

(Member of the American Kennel Club)

63rd National Specialty Show

Puppy Sweepstakes • Veteran Sweepstakes • Obedience Trial • Rally Trial
Junior Showmanship • 4-6 Beginner Puppy Competition • Scent Work
Agility Trial • Barn Hunt Trial • Earthdog Test • Fast CAT • Parade of Honor
AKC National Owner-Handled Series • The Total Dog Competition
NASDA • NADD

This show is dedicated to the memory of Nancy Hughes (Trails End Borders) 🐾 breeder, mentor, and friend.

www.btcoa.org

Saturday June 10th through Friday June 16th 2023

Events Limited To Border Terriers (except Fast CAT)
Unbenched • Indoors, except at noted below • Show Hours: 6:00 a.m. - 11:00 p.m. (CDT)
Entry through Foy Trent Dog Shows
Conformation, Junior Showmanship: June 15-16, 2023 #2023205102
Puppy & Veteran Sweepstakes: June 14, 2023 #2023205104
4-6 Month Beginner Puppy Competition: June 15, 2023 #2023205103
Obedience Trial: June 13, 2023 #2023205101
Rally Trial: June 13, 2023 #2023205106

PURINA IS PLEASED TO BE THE OFFICIAL SPONSOR

All Specialty Events will be held at Purina Farms Event Center

Foy Trent Dog Shows LLC

AKC Annually Licensed Superintendents:
James Davis • Julia Foster-Hess
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P.O. Box C, Sturgeon, MO 65284
(573) 687-2101 FAX: (888) 685-8989 • www.foytrentdogshows.com

This Show is being held under American Kennel Club Rules and Regulations

BTCA 2023 National Specialty
Schedule of Events

Saturday, June 10		
Board Meeting	8:00 am	Large Conference Room
Sunday, June 11		
Earthdog	8:00 am	Go to Ground Dens
Barn Hunt	8:00 am	Main Show Field Tent 2
FCAT 1st Block Field Inspections	7:30 am	Working Dog/Flying Disc Comp. Field
FCAT Trials 1 & 2	8:00 am	Working Dog/Flying Disc Comp. Field
Agility Run Thrus	5:00 pm	The Great Hall
Monday, June 12		
Agility	8:00 am	The Great Hall
FCAT 1st Block Field Inspections	7:30 am	Working Dog/Flying Disc Comp. Field
FCAT Trials 3 & 4	8:00 am	Working Dog/ Flying Disc Comp Field
Scentwork	8:00 am	Main Show Field Tent 2 (Exteriors) Service Center (Interiors)
CGC/CGCA Trick Dog	8:00 am	Gateway Hall
Therapy Dog Testing	8:00 am	Gateway Hall
Juniors Seminar/Party	4:00 pm	TBA
Welcome Party	6:00 pm	Founders Room
Ob/Rally Run Thrus	7:30 pm	The Great Hall
Tuesday, June 13		
Rally	8:30 am	The Great Hall
Obedience	10:00 am	The Great Hall
NASDA Clinic	8:00 am	Go to Ground Dens
NASDA Trial	9:30 am	Go to Ground Dens
Health Clinics	12:30 pm	Service Center
NADD Splashes	8:00 am	Portable Diving Pool
NADD Hydrodash	12:00 pm	Portable Diving Pool
Open Swim (until 6 pm)	Follows	Portable Diving Pool
Total Dog Challenge	5:00 pm	The Great Hall
Parade of Honor	Follows	The Great Hall
Wednesday, June 14		
Junior Showmanship	8:00 am	The Great Hall
Sweepstakes	Follows	The Great Hall
BES Seminar	1 hour after Sweeps	The Great Hall
Cash Bar/Silent Auction	5:30 pm	Founders Room
AGM	6:00 pm	Founders Room
Banquet	7:00 pm	Founders Room
Thursday, June 15		
Beginner Puppy	8:00 am	The Great Hall
Conformation Judging	Follows	The Great Hall
Judges' Education	Judge's Lunch Break	Founders Room
Hands On	Follows Judging	The Great Hall
SLEM Seminar	6:00 pm	Founders Room
Friday, June 16		
Balance of Conformation	8:00 am	The Great Hall
Cash Bar	6:30 pm	Founders Room
Awards Banquet	7:00 pm	Founders Room
Live Auction	Follows	Founders Room

Please Note:
Crating in The Great Hall will be limited to Agility participants on Monday, June 12, and to Obedience and Rally participants on Tuesday, June 13.
Crating for all dogs will be available in Gateway Hall on a first come basis from 2 pm on Sunday, June 11 until the completion of Obedience and Rally in the Great Hall on Tuesday. At that time, crating in The Great Hall will be open to all.

This Judging Program Includes Only

Conformation • Sweepstakes • Juniors • Obedience • Rally
Parade of Honor • Total Dog Challenge (no extra fee - but must register)

SHOW SITE

All Specialty Events will be held at Purina Farms Event Center
500 William Danforth Way, Gray Summit, MO 63039
About 50 minutes SW of St Louis & STL Lambert International Airport
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TRANSFER POLICY FOR THE SPECIALTY AND TRIALS: The Club will permit a transfer to the next level class in accordance with AKC regulations. The request for a Transfer must be made in writing and presented to the /Superintendent/Event Secretary at least 30 minutes prior to the start of the specified event, show or trial. Transfer forms will be available at the Superintendent/Event Secretary's Table. For Conformation classes, **transfers must be made by Wednesday, June 14, 2023.**

HOST HOTEL- BTCA SPECIALTY ROOM BLOCK:

Wildwood Hotel
2801 Fountain Place
Wildwood, MO 63040
(636) 733-9100 • *https://www.thewildwoodhotel.com/*

DIRECTIONS FROM STL- LAMBERT INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT:
(About 35 – 40 minutes, but longer with heavy traffic times)

Take I-70 west from airport…
take exit #232 to I-294 S… drive 7 miles on I-294 S…
take exit #12A/ 12B to I-64… drive 6 miles on I-64 W…
take exit #19B to MO-340 W/ Clarkson Rd… drive 5 miles on MO-340…
At Ellisville, turn right onto Manchester RD (MO-100)…drive about 2-1/2 miles to Taylor Rd and hotel

DIRECTIONS TO PURINA EVENTS CENTER:
(About 22 minutes)

Exit hotel and from Taylor Rd turn left onto MO-100…
continue 12 miles to HWY MM…
turn right on MM & follow the signs.

~ Schedule of Judging ~

There are 310 dogs entered in this specialty show with a total of 524 entries.

Tuesday, June 13, 2023

Ring 1
Mrs. Jamie Jo Sieveking (50)

45 Minute Lunch Break at Judge's Discretion
8:30am 10 Minute Walk Through
6 Rally Excellent B (R38-R39, R45-R48)
10 Minute Walk Through
1 Rally Excellent A (R49)
10 Minute Walk Through
11 Rally Advanced B (R38-R48)
3 Rally Advanced A (R35-R37)
10 Minute Walk Through
11 Rally Intermediate (R24-R34)
10 Minute Walk Through
13 Rally Novice B (R10-R12, R14-R23)
5 Rally Novice A (R5-R9)

Ring 2
James Comunale (50)

45 Minute Lunch Break at Judge's Discretion
10:00am
1 Utility B Obedience (22)
1 Graduate Open Obedience (35)
1 Open B Obedience (22)
5 Open A Obedience (17-21)
2 Graduate Novice Obedience (33-34)
9 Novice B Obedience (7-12, 14-16)
5 Minute Walk Through
2 Novice A Obedience(5-6)
5 Minute Walk Through
8 Beginner Novice B Obedience (25-32)
2 Beginner Novice A Obedience (23-24)
4 Veteran Obedience (36-39)
Brace Obedience (11,22)
Team Obedience (17-18, 39-40, Alt 33)

Wednesday, June 14, 2023

Ring 1
Caleb Campbell (3)

8:00am Junior Showmanship
2 JS Open
1 JS Novice
Best Junior Handler

Elizabeth Crisp Blake (110)

45 Minute Lunch Break at Judge's Discretion
Following Junior Showmanship
6 Sweepstakes (Puppy 6-9) Dogs
7 Sweepstakes (Puppy 9-12) Dogs
7 Sweepstakes (Puppy 12-15) Dogs
6 Sweepstakes (Puppy 15-18) Dogs
13 Sweepstakes (Puppy 6-9) Bitches
10 Sweepstakes (Puppy 9-12) Bitches
10 Sweepstakes (Puppy 12-15) Bitches
7 Sweepstakes (Puppy 15-18) Bitches
Best Junior in Sweepstakes/Best of Opposite Sex
Best Senior in Sweepstakes/Best of Opposite Sex
Best in Sweepstakes/Best of Opposite Sex
11 Sweepstakes (Veterans 7-10 Years) Dogs
6 Sweepstakes (Veterans 10-13 Years) Dogs
4 Sweepstakes (Veterans 13+ Years) Dogs
13 Sweepstakes (Veterans 7-10 Years) Bitches
6 Sweepstakes (Veterans 10-13 Years) Bitches
4 Sweepstakes (Veterans 13+ Years) Bitches
Best in Veteran Sweepstakes/Best of Opposite Sex

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Thursday, June 15, 2023

Ring 1
Karen Fitzpatrick (13)

8:00am
4-6 Month Beginner Puppy
13 4-6 Month Beginner Puppy (8-5)
Best of Breed BPUP/Best of Opposite Sex BPUP

Mr. Graham Pickering (

Following Beginner Puppy
3 Puppy (6-9 Months) Dogs
6 Puppy (9-12 Months) Dogs
7 12-18 Months Dogs
3 Amateur Owner Handler Dogs
4 Bred-By-Exhibitor (Puppy) Dogs
3 Bred-By-Exhibitor (Adult) Dogs
1 American Bred Dogs
11 Open Dogs
Winners Dog
10 Puppy (6-9 Months) Bitches
8 Puppy (9-12 Months) Bitches
9 12-18 Months Bitches
4 Amateur Owner Handler Bitches
8 Bred-By-Exhibitor (Puppy) Bitches
16 Bred-By-Exhibitor (Adult) Bitches
6 American Bred Bitches
17 Open Bitches
Winners Bitch
8 Veteran (7-10 Years) Dogs
7 Veteran (10-13 Years) Dogs
4 Veteran (13+ Years) Dogs
14 Veteran (7-10 Years) Bitches
8 Veteran (10-13 Years) Bitches
3 Veteran (13+ Years) Bitches
11 Working Dog Class Dogs
13 Working Dog Class Bitches

Friday, June 16, 2023

Ring 1
Mr. Graham Pickering

8:00am
97 Best of Breed (56-41)
Best NOHS
Best Veteran
Best Bred By Exhibitor
Best in Working Class

3 Stud Dog
8 Brood Bitch
7 Brace
7 Breeders Class

Best Otter Head

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JUDGES

Puppy Sweepstake & Veteran Sweepstakes
Elizabeth Crisp Blake, 1723 Mariposa Circle, Davis CA 95618-6376

Regular and Non-Regular Classes & Best Otter Head Competition
Mr. Graham Pickering (PICER Kennel), Rowan House, Wakefield Road Ackworth,
Nr Pontefract West Yorkshire WF7 7AB, UK

4-6 Month Beginner Puppy Competition
Karen Fitzpatrick, 4966 W 400N Rd., Kankakee IL 60901

Junior Showmanship
Caleb Campbell, 513 310th St. E., Roy WA 98580

Obedience Classes & Team I Obedience Class
James Comunale, (AKC #27181) 741 Jares Court, Ballwin, MO 63011

Rally Obedience
Mrs. Jamie Jo Sieveking (AKC #41166), 3240 S Brampton Ct., Columbia, MO 65203-0502

Total Dog Competition
Libby Taunton- Joy, 8 Northfield Road C2A0 Bideford, Devon, EX394AZ, UK

Agility Trial
Craig S. Josling, 326 Stratton Drive Eudora, KS 66025

Earth Dog Test
Junior: *Cynthia Olson, 4808 Sunnyslope Rd., Edina MN 55424-1167*
Senior: *Duane Pulford, 1757 Eustis St., Lauderdale MN 55113-5217*
Intro Quarry/ Novice: *Philipa Sahiner, 32283 Red Clover, Farmington Hills MI 48334*
Master: Russ Wischover, 2326 322 Street, Bedford, IA 50833

Barn Hunt
Senior, Master and Crazy 8s: Jennifer Riess, dellhaven@msn.com
Instinct, Novice, Open: Lynsey Fuegner
(Subject to change due to load balancing of entries)

Scent Work
Interior and Container: Erin Seely (#102464), eseely@mindspring.com
Exterior and Buried: Virginia H Huxley (# 93020)

NASDA
Ann Wendling (J00025)
Linda Steinhoff (J00085)
Theresa Vargas (J00077)

****Points Available for Reserve****

The Border Terrier Club of America, Inc. will award at its National Specialty a three-point major to Reserve Winners Dog if the Regular Class Dog entry is twice the required number for a five-point major in the division where the National Specialty is held.

****New! Junior Handler Scholarship****

An exciting new $500.00 scholarship will be awarded to the student who is judged Best Junior Handler at the 2023 BTCA National Specialty in June.

The Junior Handler or his/her family must be a member in good standing of the BTCA or an affiliate/ regional club at the time of the National Specialty. The BTCA Health and Scholarship Foundation will reserve the funds until the student is accepted at an accredited junior, community, or 4-year college. The Scholarship must be used within 2 years from the date of his or her secondary school graduation.

DOG EXERCISE OPTIONS

- Please **respect the common areas** off the lobby where there are flowers and where guests enter and leave the hotel and show site.
- **There are no dogs allowed in guest room suites, food or beverage areas, pool, or fitness center**.
- If your dog has an accident in the hotel, please **clean it up** immediately.
- If you need assistance, **please ask** for it.

BORDER TERRIER CLUB OF AMERICA, INC. ROOM RESPONSIBILITY POLICY

The Border Terrier Club of America, Inc. has adopted the following rules in order to ensure that its members and their dogs will be welcome at hotels in the future.

Owner Responsibilities:

Any individual attending a BTCA sanctioned event and staying in a hotel, motel, inn, or campsite/fairground has the responsibility of leaving that room or campsite exactly as found. This includes picking up after dog(s) on the grounds. Anyone who damages a room or campsite/fairground and does not report the damage to the hotel/motel/campsite/fairground management and make immediate restitution or arrangements to do so within a period of time agreed upon by the management, will be **subject to any or all of the following actions by the BTCA Board of Directors:**

- May be banned from showing at the next BTCA sanctioned events(s).
- May be subject to AKC sanctions.
- Membership in the BTCA may be terminated and may not be allowed to be reinstated.

Damages shall be defined as:

- Flea infestation, urine, defecation and/or any damage to hotel/motel/campsite/fairground property (walls, bedspreads, carpets, drapes, etc.)
- Any verified complaint by the host/hotel/campsite/fairground.
- Any verified complaint by a BTCA member.

BTCA Room Regulations:

- All dogs shall be crated and quiet when left alone in a room. Noisy dogs shall be quieted upon request, even if this means the owner/handler must stay in the room with the dog.
- Individuals will be expected to immediately report any damage by dogs or themselves to the hotel/campsite/fairground management and to assume complete financial responsibility for that damage.
- No bathing or grooming of dogs will be allowed in rooms. A grooming room will be available whenever possible.
- Dogs are allowed to be on hotel furniture/beds ONLY if the furniture is covered with protective covering provided by the owner/handler.
- All owner/handlers will take preventative measures to assure that their dogs are free of fleas, mites, intestinal parasites, and other communicable diseases prior to arriving at the hotel/campsite.

Please see Premium List for other hotels and camping information & for EXHIBITOR GUIDELINES.

Purina Farms has specific rules and emergency contact information, which are on the Purina website:

https://www.purina.com/sites/default/files/2022-06/PF%20898M%20Purina%20Farms%20Guest%20Rules.pdf

SHOW PHOTOGRAPHER:

Phyllis Ensley Photography
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Show Dog Video Pros
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The professional video services and live streaming at this show are governed by an exclusive video contract with the Club. No other commercial video recording, video recording from a tripod, monopod or other supported camera/device, or any video recording or streaming of large parts or whole classes shall be permitted. The contract terms permit individuals to record small bits of video of their own dogs only, and using handheld devices only (e.g. phone, tablet or small camcorder). Individuals may post recorded videos of their own dogs to social media (Facebook, YouTube, etc). However, during show hours LIVE Broadcast Streaming to social media (e.g., Facebook Live) is not permitted. Submission of an entry form and/or physical presence on the show grounds shall constitute both implied and real consent for both the handler and the dog to be professionally video recorded and streamed live only by the professional video services as contracted by the Club for this show. All rights to video record and live stream or otherwise exploit this event and/or the persons or animals participating in it, including the names, likenesses and biographical matter of dogs, owners, handlers, breeders and kennels participating in the event shall belong solely to the show giving Club and/or the American Kennel Club, Inc. No spectator, participant, owner, handler, breeder or kennel shall make commercial use of any video recordings of any person or animal participating in this event without prior written approval from the Club. This event may not be broadcast to social media (e.g. Facebook Live, etc) without prior written approval from the Club.

FAST CAT VIDEOGRAPHER:

Nicole Hrustyk
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SHOW VETERINARIANS

30 minutes away
Veterinary Specialty Services- Manchester *(24 Hour)*
1021 Howard George Drive Manchester, MO 63021
(636) 227-6100
DIRECTIONS TO VETERINARY SPECIALTY SERVICES:
Take Hwy I-44 East to Hwy 141. Follow MO- 141 N to Howard George Dr. in Manchester

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30 minutes away
Animal Emergency Clinic (Noon to Midnight)
9937 Big Bend Road
St Louis, MO 63122
(314) 822-7600
DIRECTIONS TO ANIMAL EMERGENCY CLINIC:
Take Hwy I-44 East to Big Bend Rd. Turn right on Big Bend. The Emergency Clinic is on the left-hand side.

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40 minutes away
Animal Emergency Clinic- Hospital (24 hours)
334 Fort Zumwalt Square
O'Fallon, MO 63366
636-240-5496 (Call before coming)

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9 minutes away
Pacific Animal Hospital
(Open Until Noon on Saturday, Closed on Sunday)
450 West Flier Dr
Pacific, MO 63069
(636) 257-2100

DIRECTIONS TO PACIFIC ANIMAL HOSPITAL:
Leaving Purina Farms, turn right on Highway MM. Then turn right on Highway 100. Cross over Highway 44. Turn left on Highway 66 W for 2.7 miles. Then turn right on Flier Drive, third building on the right.

AKC Code of Sportsmanship

PREFACE: The sport of purebred dog competitive events dates prior to 1884, the year of AKC's birth. Shared values of those involved in the sport include principles of sportsmanship. They are practiced in all sectors of our sport: conformation, performance and companion. Many believe that these principles of sportsmanship are the prime reason why our sport has thrived for over one hundred years. With the belief that it is useful to periodically articulate the fundamentals of our sport, this code is presented.

- Sportsmen respect the history, traditions and integrity of the sport of purebred dogs.
- Sportsmen commit themselves to values of fair play, honesty, courtesy, and vigorous competition, as well as winning and losing with grace.
- Sportsmen refuse to compromise their commitment and obligation to the sport of purebred dogs by injecting personal advantage or consideration into their decisions or behavior.
- The sportsman judge judges only on the merits of the dogs and considers no other factors.
- The sportsman judge or exhibitor accepts constructive criticism.
- The sportsman exhibitor declines to enter or exhibit under a judge where it might reasonably appear that the judge's placements could be based on something other than the merits of the dogs.
- The sportsman exhibitor refuses to compromise the impartiality of a judge.
- The sportsman respects the AKC bylaws, rules, regulations and policies governing the sport of purebred dogs.
- Sportsmen find that vigorous competition and civility are not inconsistent and are able to appreciate the merit of their competition and the effort of competitors.
- Sportsmen welcome, encourage and support newcomers to the sport.
- Sportsmen will deal fairly with all those who trade with them.
- Sportsmen are willing to share honest and open appraisals of both the strengths and weaknesses of their breeding stock.
- Sportsmen spurn any opportunity to take personal advantage of positions offered or bestowed upon them.
- Sportsmen always consider as paramount the welfare of their dog.
- Sportsmen refuse to embarrass the sport, the American Kennel Club, or themselves while taking part in the sport.

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