



# Nebraska Kennel Club AKC Fast CAT® Events

Saturday & Sunday  
April 20-21, 2024

**Location:**  
**H.W. Banner Park**  
**5005 Virginia Street**  
**Omaha, NE 68157**

**Entries Open: Monday, February 19, 2024, at 8:00 am CDT**

**Entries accepted by USPS mail, FEDEX or UPS on a **first received basis** no earlier than the above date and time.**

**Entry Closing Date: Entries must be received no later than Saturday, April 13, 2024, at 6 pm CDT. Entries received after the closing date will be considered “day of show” and will be at day of show rates.**

**Two Events Each Day — Concurrent Format**  
**Run out: 50 yards**

**Saturday: Two Events Held Concurrently in One-Hour Time Blocks**

Event #1: AKC Event #2024034801  
Event #2: AKC Event #2024034802

**Sunday: Two Events Held Concurrently in One-Hour Time Blocks**

Event #1: AKC Event #2024034803  
Event #2: AKC Event #2024034804

**Pre-Close Entry Fee: \$20 per dog per test**

**Day of Show Entry Fee: \$25 per dog per test**

**Each test will be limited to 96 entries.**

**Day of show entries will be accepted up to the limit.**

**See Page 6 for Volunteer Opportunities!**



## CERTIFICATION

Permission is granted by the American Kennel Club for the holding of these events under The American Kennel Club Rules and Regulations.

*Gina DiNardo, Secretary*

## Event Committee

Field Chairperson: Ron Weaks  
7107 Highland Blvd.  
Omaha, NE 68138  
402-677-0679 (text only)  
[rweaks@centurylink.net](mailto:rweaks@centurylink.net)

Field Secretary: Tricia Green  
912 Jackson St.  
Tiffin, IA 52340  
319-330-2050  
[K9srinfast@gmail.com](mailto:K9srinfast@gmail.com)

Lure Operator: John Henely  
Huntmaster: Candy Henely  
Ribbons: Ron Weaks  
Photographer: River Dawg Photography

Event Site: H.W. Banner Park  
5005 Virginia Street  
Omaha, NE 68157

Additional Committee Members: Kari Medbury, Nina Gotsch, Michelle Vidalek, Sue Volkmer. Committee members may be substituted as needed.

**This event will be held rain or shine.**

**No On-Site Concessions**

### Club Officers

President: Sheryl Bradbury  
Vice President: Sue Volkmer  
Secretary: A. I. (Nina) Gottsch  
Treasurer: Norine Niemen  
At-Large Board Members:  
Barbara Hill  
Shelly Rehmeier  
Tim Bourke  
Dianne Krantz



## ELIGIBILITY, INSPECTION, & SPECIAL NOTICES TO EXHIBITORS



1. **Eligibility for AKC Fast CAT®:** Events are open to all dogs at least twelve (12) months of age that are individually registered with AKC, recorded in the FSS program, dogs with PAL /ILP numbers, or dogs enrolled in the AKC Canine Partners program.
2. These events will be held outdoors rain or shine unless dangerous conditions are present (such as lightning or flooding). Comfortable & appropriate footwear (flip flops not recommended) and water-resistant clothing are recommended.
3. **Multiple dogs from the same owner may be entered in each event. Multiple dogs from the same owner will be separated by approximately six dogs in the run order. If you have more than two dogs, please sign-up for two or more time-blocks (see #6 below).**
4. **Roll Call & Inspection:** Roll call is the time when exhibitors are expected to check-in by. Check-in is followed by Inspection for fitness, lameness, and/or females “in season.” Roll call will open approximately (30) minutes before your block is scheduled to run. Dogs not present at the time of inspection will be scratched. No refunds will be given for scratched dogs. All dogs will be measured, using a wicket, to determine handicap. Fast CAT® 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 of injury and/or exhaustion. Owners enter their dogs at their own risk. If in the opinion of the Inspection Committee any entry found to be lame, unfit to compete, or a female in season; that dog shall not be allowed to compete. Entry fees shall be refunded. Bitches in season **MUST** be removed from the event site.
5. **Concurrent Events:** These Fast CAT® events will be scheduled in one-hour time blocks of approximately sixteen (16) dogs each. Handlers should choose one time-block for your dog to run. This means your dog will be re-inspected after its first run and will then run the second event approximately one-half hour after its first run.
6. **Time-Blocks:** On the entry form sign up for your preferred time-block for your dog. **Time-blocks will be assigned on a first received basis.** Approximately sixteen (16) dogs will be assigned to each block and the dog will run twice during that time-block. Time-blocks chosen are not guaranteed. **If you do not want your dog to run twice in one hour, then choose two separate time-blocks for that dog.** You will be contacted if we cannot honor your chosen time-block(s). If you do not have a time-block preference then choose that on the entry form. If you do not enter these events early, do not expect to get an AM time-block.
7. ***Bitches in season are NOT allowed on the event grounds.***

## ENTRY INFORMATION: FEES, DATES, and TIMES

**Entries open Monday, February 19, 2024, at 8:00 a.m.**

**Entries accepted on a first received basis by USPS mail, UPS OR FEDEX, no earlier than the above date and time. **IF YOU SEND VIA UPS OR FEDEX, PLEASE DO NOT REQUIRE A SIGNATURE.****

### • Entry Fees:

**Pre-entry:** \$20 per dog per event. (Includes a \$3.50 AKC recording fee)

**After closing date and Day of Show:** \$25 per dog per event. (Includes a \$3.50 AKC recording fee)

- Entry Closing Date: Entries must be received no later than Saturday, April 13, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.
- Entries received after closing date will be considered “Day of Show”.
- Email entries will not be accepted.
- Each dog must be entered on a separate official AKC Fast CAT® entry form. (see attachment)
- Any entry missing crucial information will not be processed, nor counted as received, until the correct information is obtained.
- Substitution Policy: There will be no substitutions. An un-entered dog may not be substituted for an entered dog.

## SUBMITTING ENTRIES

1. Entries must be submitted on an Official AKC Fast CAT® Entry form included with this Premium List. Photocopies of the entry form may also be used.
2. **Mailed Entries** must include all fees. Any mailed entries received without all fees will not be processed until such fees have been paid.

## Mail Entries with fees payable to NKC to:

Tricia Green  
912 Jackson St.  
Tiffin, IA 52340

Entries must be received by USPS mail, UPS or FEDEX no earlier than the entry date and time. If using Fedex or UPS, do NOT require a signature.

### PAYMENT FOR ENTRIES

1. Entry payment must be made by check or money order. No entry will be processed without full payment.
2. Make checks payable to Nebraska Kennel Club (**NKC**). Checks must be payable in U.S. funds.
3. Post-dated checks or returned checks do not constitute valid entry fees. NKC will add a collection fee of \$35.00 to the amount of each returned check.
4. Checks will be held until the closing date.

### ENTRY CANCELLATIONS, REFUND INFORMATION, & WAIT LIST

1. Entry cancellations **MUST** be received in writing (includes e-mail) prior to the closing of Entries and **MUST** include the dog's breed, AKC number, and name. Cancellations received by telephone are **NOT** acceptable.
2. No refunds will be given for invalid entries after the event is over.
3. If an exhibitor cancels an entry before the closing date, the exhibitor's check will be shredded. If NKC has to issue a refund check, per an exhibitor's request, there will be a \$10 processing fee.
4. No entries will be refunded after the event is closed, except in the case of a dog not passing the inspection on the day of an event. **DO NOT bring females in season to the event site.**
5. Entry fees shall not be refunded in the event that a dog is absent or disqualified for aggression.
6. Every effort will be made to find all duplicate entries before processing. If a duplicate entry is processed, however, no refund will be made.
7. Entry overpayments will not be refunded. Exhibitors may write a new check.
8. If, because of riots or civil disturbances, it is impossible to open or to complete a show or trial, no refund of entry fees will be made.
9. Exhibitors understand that they are entering this event at their own and others' risk.
10. If, in the opinion of the host club, the well-being of dogs, exhibitors, or spectators is at risk due to extreme weather conditions, such as, but not limited to snowstorms, tornadoes, lightning, or extreme heat; the host club may cancel or stop an event before completion. No refunds will be made in such cases.
11. A wait list with a maximum of twenty (20) dogs will be established on a first received basis. All entries on the wait list must be received by the closing date. On the day of the events, the club may assign entries for absent individuals to those on the wait list who are present at the event site. If multiple waitlisted individuals are present at the event site, the runs will be assigned in waitlist order. A full refund will be reimbursed to any entrant whose entry is replaced by a waitlisted entry. Checks will be shredded for anyone on the wait list who doesn't get into the events.

### ENTRY CONFIRMATION

1. **E-mailed confirmation of entries** will be sent to the e-mail address included on the entry form (please type or print clearly) as soon as possible after the entry has been accepted and processed. **Please verify the events your dog is entered in when receiving this e-mail of processed entry. Should there be any errors, please contact the Field Secretary, immediately.**
2. Owners are responsible for the accuracy of information and any errors on the entry forms. There will be no refunds for invalid entries.
3. Running order and welcome letter will be sent by Friday, April 19, 2024.

**EVENT HOURS:** Event hours: Saturday - Sunday: 7:30 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

## GENERAL CRATING, PARKING, & FOOD INFORMATION

1. All event location times are Central Daylight Time.
2. There will be absolutely NO SMOKING at this event, except in the privacy of your own vehicle.
3. Parking is on the concrete adjacent to the field.
4. **For this event exhibitors are required to crate in or near their cars.**
5. Food will NOT be available for on-site purchase. Please bring your own food & drink.
6. Please dispose of all trash in the appropriate containers at the event site.

## EVENT TIMES & RUN ORDER

1. Your check-in time for Event #1 inspection starts approximately thirty (30) minutes before your scheduled block and immediately after Event #1 run if you are entered in Event #2. **GO GET RE-INSPECTED AFTER YOUR FIRST RUN IF YOU ARE RUNNING A SECOND RUN.**
2. **Workers' dogs will be inspected first and may run first for each event or first in a time block. If you are willing to help at these events, please select "Worker" on the entry form and contact Liz Stone at [stoneelizabethm@gmail.com](mailto:stoneelizabethm@gmail.com).**
3. The first time-block starts at 9:00 am and is the same time for each day. The first PM time block will start at 1:00 pm.
4. Run order will be determined by the order of entries received. The run order will be sent by Friday, April 19, 2024.
5. There will be a lunch break for workers between 12:00 NOON to 1:00 pm each day.

## EXHIBITOR AND GENERAL INFORMATION

1. All events are held under the Rules and Regulations of the American Kennel Club, Inc. By entering these events, exhibitors acknowledge that they are familiar with the rules and regulations of the event in which they have entered. Here is the link to the [AKC Fast CAT® Rules](#).
2. NKC, its agents; AKC, its agents and its employees; assume no responsibility for any loss, damage, injury or illness sustained by spectators or by exhibitors and handlers, or to any of their dogs or property, and further assume no responsibility for injury to children not under the control of their parents or guardians. AKC and NKC are not responsible for any loss, accidents, ILLNESS, or theft. By entering these events you agree to these conditions.
3. The owner or designated handler of each dog is solely responsible for having it ready at the start line when its name is called. The host organization, event committee, and Field Secretary have no obligation or responsibility for providing service through a public address system, or stewards or runners for the purpose of locating dogs that are not brought into the staging area when required.
4. Exhibitors and dogs may arrive any time prior to their scheduled run time. Dogs not required for further runs may leave the event site after their run and collecting their ribbon.
5. No un-entered dogs allowed on the event grounds. Note: No dogs less than 8 weeks of age may be present on the grounds of an AKC licensed event.
6. Dogs are not to be left unattended when crated in soft mesh crates. No dog may be left in an un-latched or un-zipped crate.
7. Except when being crated or exhibited, dogs must be kept on leash. **Flexi leashes are not allowed at this event.**
8. Exhibitors and dog owners are **expected and required to clean up after their own dogs**. Please potty your dog in the designated area and use the provided receptacles for disposal. Any person witnessing a violation of this rule must report it to the Event Committee. The Event Committee may ask any person violating this rule to leave the event grounds without benefit of a refund. Porta-potties will be available for exhibitors' use.
9. Absolutely no alcoholic beverages will be allowed on the grounds on the day of an AKC licensed event.
10. 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 unnecessary disturbances or repeatedly engage in unsafe or disruptive behavior (including dogs running loose on the event grounds) may, at the discretion of the Event Committee, be asked to leave the event site. In that case, no refund of any fees paid will be made. AKC will vigorously support any facility (such as motels) that files a complaint about exhibitors who fail to keep their dogs quiet or to clean up after them. In order that the bad conduct of a few exhibitors does not spoil it for the majority of responsible exhibitors, AKC will take strong disciplinary action against any offenders.

## SPECIFIC FAST CAT® RULES & INFORMATION



1. Fast CAT® is a pass/fail event.
2. Dogs run singly on a fenced-in course.
3. The dog's time to complete the 100-yard dash is converted to miles per hour (MPH).  
Formula:  $204.545/\text{Dog's Time} = \text{MPH}$ .
4. Dogs earn points based on their handicapped speed. A handicap system is applied to a dog's MPH to determine the number of points it earns for each qualifying run.
5. The system is based on the dog's height at its withers:  
18" or greater = handicap 1.0  
12" up to, but less than 18" = handicap 1.5  
Below 12" = handicap 2.0
6. Timing is done electronically using "break the beam" equipment with time recorded to the nearest 1/100th of a second. Manual timing devices may be used if electronic equipment has issues.
7. The Huntmaster is in control of the course. All decisions by him/her are final.
8. Any dog that relieves itself on the course shall fail the event.
9. Dogs must have a reliable recall. Any dog that will not come to its handler at the end of its first run will be moved to the end of the next entered events.
10. Running order is assigned to dogs as entries are received. If your dog is not ready at its assigned run time, it will be moved to the end of the event.
11. **Each dog must have two handlers:** One for the release at the start line and one to catch the dog at the finish line.
12. **You must have two leashes for your dog.** If your dog runs naked (see #18 below) then you must also have two collars or the type of leash that can be slipped over your dog's head at the finish line. **Flexi leashes are not allowed.**
13. Handlers may **NOT** run along the 100-yard course with their dog. This includes inside and outside the fencing.
14. Handlers may move within the catch area as their dog is running the course, but may not cross the finish line.
15. Cheering, clapping, calling your dog's name, whistling, and/or waving your arms from the end of the course is allowed.
16. Noise making devices (duck calls, whistles, electronic calls, etc.) are **NOT** allowed.
17. The use of toys, treats, flags, or other items of this nature are **NOT** permitted while the dog is running the 100-yard course. However, they may be used after the dog has crossed the finish line to assist in catching the dog.
18. It is safest for the dog to run "naked" which means it does not wear a collar. However, dogs may wear any collar, except a choker collar, head halter, a collar with prongs, or an electronic training collar. The collar should be snug to minimize the chances of getting hung up on something during the run. Collar tags should be removed or secured to the collar with tape.
19. Owners may use clips or rubber bands to hold the dog's hair away from the eyes.

## TITLES

Dogs can earn three titles by accumulating points. These are suffix titles that will appear on the dog's pedigree with a higher level title superseding a lower level title.

BCAT — Awarded to a dog that accumulates 150 points.

DCAT — Awarded to a dog that accumulates 500 points.

FCAT — Awarded to a dog that accumulates 1000 points. For every 500 points over 1000, the dog earns FCAT followed by a number (example: FCAT2, FCAT3).

## RIBBONS & ROSETTES

All Qualifiers: Light Blue Qualifying Ribbon

**Each Test: Fastest dog in each height category - Rosettes will be awarded for each event at the end of the day.**

Any dog that earns a BCAT, DCAT, or FCAT Title will receive a rosette. New Title Rosettes may be picked up after runs have been recorded.

Handlers who are not present at that time may pick up their Saturday rosettes on Sunday or make arrangements with someone else to pick up their rosettes. No rosettes will be mailed to exhibitors.

## **EMERGENCY VETERINARY SERVICE**

**Urgent Pet Care**  
8455 S 73rd Plaza  
Papillion, NE 68046  
402-858-9595

**Animal Emergency Clinic**  
402-339-6232  
9664 Mockingbird Drive, Omaha, NE 68127

**AREA MOTELS** *(These motels have indicated that pets are welcome. This list is provided as a courtesy. NKC does not endorse any particular motel on this list. Please confirm the motel's pet policy when making your reservation.)*

Microtel Inn & Suites, 3008 Samson Way, Bellevue, NE 68123, 402-292-0191  
WoodSprings Suites Bellevue, 2703 Samson Way, Bellevue, NE 68123, 402-991-5050  
Courtyard by Marriott, 3730 Raynor Parkway, Bellevue, NE 68123, 402-408-5300  
My Place, 7823 S 123rd Plaza, LaVista NE 68128, 402-614-8747  
WoodSprings Suites Omaha, 6855 S 118th Street, Omaha, NE 68137, 402-504-3800

## **RV CAMPING**

[Walnut Creek Recreation Area](#), 9902 Schram Road, Papillion, NE 68046, 402-679-9889

## **ROUTE TO THE TRIAL**

From any point East, West, or South take Highway 370 to 48th Street and drive North for approximately three (3) miles. At the light there's a little right-hand jog onto Cornhusker Road and then at the next light there's a left-hand turn back onto 48th Street. Continue North and turn left onto Virginia Street (8400 south). Drive approximately six (6) blocks. Virginia Street ends at the park.

If you are coming from far West, be aware that Cornhusker Road is not a through-street anymore (there's a lake blocking it).

From the North travel to 48th and L Streets. Take 48th Street South for approximately three (3) miles to Virginia Street (8400 south). Turn right and travel about six (6) blocks. Virginia Street ends at the park.

## **PHOTOGRAPHER: RIVER DOG PHOTOGRAPHY**

River Dawg Photography holds the official photography rights for these events. Unauthorized photography of dogs and people is strictly prohibited without explicit consent from River Dawg Photography and the Field Trial Chairman, except for individuals with cell phones and their own dogs. Any individual found capturing images without permission will be requested to leave the field. For those interested, event photographs can be acquired through [Riverdawgphotos.com](http://Riverdawgphotos.com).



## **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY**

Events such as these cannot run without volunteers. Even if you can give an hour, it would be of immense help. Contact Liz Stone. Email: [stoneelizabethm@gmail.com](mailto:stoneelizabethm@gmail.com)

**\*\*\*\* Volunteers get vouchers for full and ½ day. Full day volunteers also get lunch. \*\*\*\***