



GATEWAY TERRIER ASSOCIATION

LICENSED EARTHDOG TESTS

Four Tests Offered! Two Days/Two Tests Each Day

Saturday, October 21, 2023 Test #1 - Event #2023619109 and Test #2 - Event #2023619110
 Sunday, October 22, 2023 Test #1 - Event #2023619111 and Test #2 - Event #2023619112

Purina Farms - 200 Checkerboard Drive, Gray Summit, MO

<http://www.purina.com/purina-farms/purinafarms.aspx>

These Earthdog Tests will be held under the Rules and Procedures of the American Kennel Club.

JUDGING ASSIGNMENTS				
	Saturday #1	Saturday #2	Sunday #1	Sunday #2
IQ:	Liz Hawkins	NOT OFFERED	Misty Bowen	NOT OFFERED
NE:	Shelley L Marvin	Denise M Faulkner	Shelley L Marvin	Janie Smith
JE:	Janie Smith	Shelley L Marvin	Susan Thurlow	Denise M Faulkner
SE:	Denise M Faulkner	Susan Thurlow	Janie Smith	Shelley L Marvin
ME:	Susan Thurlow	Janie Smith	Denise M Faulkner	Susan Thurlow

ENTRY CLOSING TIMES & JUDGING SCHEDULE				
DON'T BE LATE - LATE ENTRIES CANNOT BE ACCEPTED				
Tests may run concurrently – All classes of Test #1 do not have to finish before we start Test #2.				
<i>The judges will determine if Master and Senior classes will run at the same time (the dens are in close proximity to each other).</i>				
<i>PLEASE NOTE times listed for Draw for Braces and Judging will <u>not</u> be prior to the times listed but could be after the time listed especially if there are many Gate/Day of Show entries.</i>				
	Saturday #1 - Pre-entry only		Sunday #1	
Class	Closing	Judging	Closing	Judging
Intro to Quarry	Pre-entry only	8:30 am	8:45 am	9 am (or after)
Novice	Pre-entry only	After conclusion of Test #1 Intro to Quarry and not prior to 9:30 am	9:30 am	After conclusion of Test #1 Intro to Quarry and not prior to 9:30 am
Junior	Pre-entry only	After conclusion of Test #1 Intro to Quarry and not prior to 9:30 am	9:30 am	After conclusion of Test #1 Intro to Quarry and not prior to 9:30 am
Senior	Pre-entry only	10 am	9:45 am	10 am (or after)
Master	Pre-entry only	Check in and Draw for braces 8:45 am; Judging 9 am	8:30 am	Check in and Draw for braces 8:45 am (or after); Judging 9 am (or after)
Sat & Sun Test #2	Closing	<i>NO Introduction to Quarry offered for Sat/Sun Test #2. Each class offered will close 15 minutes after the end of judging for that class in Test #1 and not prior to 10:30 am</i>		
	Judging	<i>Each class for Test #2 will start approximately 30 minutes after the completion of judging for the class in Test #1 if the judge has completed their Test #1 assignment and/or lunch break.</i>		

Please note that pre-entries close at 6PM on Tuesday, 10/17/2023.

Pre-entry only for Saturday Test #1 – ALL classes.

Pre-entries for all tests/classes appreciated!

MAKE ALL CHECKS payable to
GTA (Gateway Terrier Association)

Mail Pre-Entries with fees to:
Linda Schulte, Test Secretary
7637 Lindbergh Drive
Saint Louis, MO 63117

Optional Pre-Entry:

e-mail completed entry form(s) w/signature included
(not a "typed" signature) to: LMSCHULTE@YAHOO.COM
and let me know that you sent entry fees to
PayPal* Account: LMSCANOES@HOTMAIL.COM
*Use send money to Friend option.
You will be responsible for covering any fees charged by PayPal.

GATEWAY TERRIER ASSOCIATION CLUB OFFICERS

President:	Patty Burmeister, 2612 Old Dougherty Ferry Rd, St. Louis MO 63122
1st Vice President:	Linda Schulte, 7637 Lindbergh Drive, St. Louis MO 63117
Secretary:	Michelle Hess, 2612 Old Dougherty Ferry Rd, St. Louis MO 63122
Treasurer:	Lucy Shinkle, 604 Birdnest Walk, Wentzville, MO 63385
Board of Directors:	Claire Martin, Denise Faulkner, Cathy Dervalis

TEST COMMITTEE

Test Committee:	Denise Faulkner, Linda Schulte, Lucy Shinkle, Patty Burmeister, Shelley Marvin and/or any other GTA member at the event.
Test Chair:	Lucy Shinkle, 604 Birdnest Walk, Wentzville, MO 63385
Test Secretary:	Linda Schulte, 7637 Lindbergh Drive, Saint Louis, MO 63117 LMSCHULTE@YAHOO.COM
Event Emergency / Disaster Plan Coord: Lucy Shinkle	

JUDGES

Misty Bowen, 7387 W Wade St, Republic, MO 65738-9135
Denise M Faulkner, 3981 Jacobs Lndg, Saint Charles, MO 63304
Liz Hawkins, 1005 S 21st St, Fort Dodge, IA 50501-5912
Shelley L Marvin, 1225 Newcastle Drive, Bloomington, IL 61704
Janie Smith, 110 Lumpkin Way, Canton, GA 30115
Susan Thurlow, PO Box 71, Nisswa, MN 56468-0071

ENTRY FEES

Please note that pre-entries close at 6PM on Tuesday, 10/17/2023.

Pre-entries appreciated!

All entries received after the pre-entry deadline must include full Gate/Day of Show entry fees.

Entry Fees	Intro	Novice	Junior, Senior, Master	EE dogs entering both Senior and Master
Gate/Day of Show Entry Fee	\$12	\$16	\$20	\$36
Pre-Entry Fee (due 10/17/23)	\$10	\$14	\$18	\$32

RUNNING ORDER

Dogs in Master are braced by random draw. Dogs in all other classes will be run in the order that entries are received with consideration given to dogs being handled by the same handler. The Test Committee reserves the right to modify the running order to keep the event running smoothly.

RIBBONS/AWARDS

- Light Green Ribbons will be awarded for qualifiers in Introduction to Quarry.
- Dark Green Rosettes will be awarded for qualifiers in Novice, Junior, Senior and Master tests.
- New Title Rosettes are offered by WYSIWYG Welsh Terriers for a new NE, JE, SE or ME title earned at the test.
- A Medal on a Neck Ribbon is offered by WYSIWYG Welsh Terriers for a new EE title earned at the test.

VETERINARIAN (ON CALL)

Pacific Animal Hospital, 636-257-2100 (during office hours only)
After Hours Emergency: Veterinary Specialty Services, 636-227-9400

COVID-19

Everyone is required to follow state, local and Purina Farms guidelines.

No exhibitor should attend these events if they have experienced one or any combination of the symptoms associated with COVID-19 within the last 72 hours, and or any of the following statements apply:

- Fever of 100.4°F or greater
- Chills
- Cough
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Fatigue
- Muscle or body aches
- Headache
- New loss of taste or smell
- Sore throat
- Congestion or runny nose
- Nausea or vomiting
- Diarrhea
- Exhibitor has tested positive for COVID-19, and has not completed their quarantine time
- Exhibitor previously tested positive for COVID-19, but still has symptoms mentioned above
- During the past 14 days, the exhibitor has been in contact with someone who has exhibited symptoms as listed above and or tested positive for COVID-19
- During the past 14 days, the exhibitor has been advised to self-quarantine by a doctor or other health authority
- The exhibitor has travelled internationally within the last 30 days

Please review the AKC COVID19 Suggested Best Practices:

- <https://s3.amazonaws.com/cdn-origin-etr.akc.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/15111309/Earthdogs-Covid-19-Suggested-Best-Practices.pdf>

Please review the Purina Farms Safety and Visiting Pet guidelines:

- <https://www.purina.com/purina-farms-covid-guidelines>
- <https://www.purina.com/sites/g/files/auxxlc196/files/2020-07/PF%201227D-Visiting-Pet-Rules-V2-07232020.pdf>

For accurate and timely information, please visit the WHO and/or CDC websites:

- <https://www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus-2019/advice-for-public>
- <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>

NOTICE TO EXHIBITORS

- **Note** that the pre-entry deadline is 6pm, TUESDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2023
- **Saturday Test #1 is pre-entry only.**
- All dogs must be on a short leash under control while on test grounds except while testing. NO FLEXI-LEADS PERMITTED ON TEST SITE.
- Dogs need be present only at the scheduled time of judging according to the judging schedule listed in the premium list.
- Master dogs need to be present when their brace is called.
- No loose dogs allowed on the grounds outside the judging areas.
- Please bring weather-appropriate gear; tests are run rain or shine.
- In the event of natural disaster or other circumstances which may deem it too dangerous to safely hold the event, entry fees will not be refunded.
- Entry fees will not be refunded after the closing time for each class.
- No entry fees will be refunded in the event that a dog is absent, disqualified, excused by veterinarian or judge or barred from competition by action of the Test Committee.
- **Bitches in season are not eligible for entry.** Pre-entry fees for bitches that come into season will be refunded until closing time of the class. After a test closes, entry fees will not be refunded.
- 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, repeatedly engage in unsafe or disruptive behavior may, at the discretion of the Test Committee, be asked to leave the test site. In such case, no refund of any fees paid will be made.
- **Please bring adequate water for you and your dogs as the Visitor Center and Event Center may not be open. No meals will be offered at this test site.**
- Owners are responsible for errors in completing entry forms, whoever may make such errors, and no entry fee will be refunded in event of such errors or cancellation of entries after the published closing date/time.
- Entry forms must be signed at the bottom by the owner or the owner's duly authorized agent, otherwise, entry cannot be accepted.
- Incomplete, telephoned or faxed entries, entries sent by registered mail, or those made on any form other than an Official American Kennel Club Entry Form cannot be accepted.
- Gate/DOS entries: Be sure to bring the information needed to complete the entry forms. A copy of the dog's registration certificate contains the necessary information.

LOCAL MOTELS WHICH ACCEPT DOGS

Hotel policies vary. Please confirm with the hotel regarding their pet policy when making your reservation. The committee reserves authority over behavior at the hotel in addition to the event grounds. Please be a courteous guest so hotels will continue to welcome exhibitors in the future.

Comfort Inn, 1320 Thornton Street, Pacific MO 63069. (636) 257-4601

See [additional motel listings](#) for the Purina Event Center.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- The Novice Earthdog class is open to all eligible breeds of dogs who have **not previously earned an Earthdog title**.
- The Junior Earthdog class is open to all eligible breeds of dogs. A dog that has been recorded as a Junior Earthdog may continue to enter the Junior Earthdog test.
- The Senior Earthdog class is open to dogs that have acquired the Junior Earthdog title and to dogs that have been recorded by the AKC as Senior Earthdogs and Master Earthdogs. A dog that has been recorded as a Senior Earthdog may continue to enter the Senior Earthdog test.
- The Master Earthdog class is open only to dogs that have acquired the Senior Earthdog title. A dog that has been recorded as a Master Earthdog may continue to enter the Master Earthdog test.
- Dogs may enter more than one regular class at an Earthdog test provided the dog is eligible for the class as defined in Chapter 3 of the Regulations for Earthdog Tests for Small Terriers and Dachshunds.

A complete copy of the “Regulations for Earthdog Tests for Small Terriers and Dachshunds” can be obtained by contacting The American Kennel Club or by visiting www.akc.org.

The safety of the dogs is our primary concern. By entering this test, exhibitors acknowledge that they are familiar with the rules and regulations of this event.

ELIGIBILITY: Dogs must be six months of age or older and be registered with the American Kennel Club. Spayed and neutered dogs, dogs with Limited Registration, and dogs of an eligible breed that have been granted Purebred Alternative Listing /Indefinite Listing Privilege (PAL/ILP) are eligible to participate. Dogs which are blind and deaf shall not be eligible. Bitches in season shall not be eligible to enter the test. All dogs six months of age or older from the list below are eligible to participate in these Earthdog Events.

AKC RECOGNIZED EARTHDOG BREEDS: American Hairless Terrier, Australian Terrier, Bedlington Terrier, Border Terrier, Cairn Terrier, Cesky Terrier, Dachshund, Dandie Dinmont Terrier, Glen of Imaal Terrier, Jagdterrier, Japanese Terrier, Lakeland Terrier, Manchester Terrier, Miniature Bull Terrier, Miniature Pinschers, Miniature Schnauzer, Norfolk Terrier, Norwich Terrier, Parson Russell Terrier, Rat Terrier, Russell Terrier, Scottish Terrier, Sealyham Terrier, Silky Terrier, Skye Terrier, Smooth Fox Terrier, Teddy Roosevelt Terrier, Welsh Terrier, West Highland White Terrier, Wire Fox Terrier, Yorkshire Terrier.

MOTOR HOMES – RESERVATIONS REQUIRED

Purina no longer allows tent camping or sleeping in a car or truck.

Purina Farms offers limited electric (30 and 50 amp) hookups near the earth dog dens.

You will need to reserve and pay for your space at least 1-2 weeks in advance. Please let the test secretary know if you interested so we can forward directions/registration link to you.

You may arrive until 11pm. After 11pm, you will be directed to a holding lot until the next morning when you will be able to move to your spot.

Please review the Purina Farms Overnight Camping guidelines:

- <https://www.purina.com/purina-farms-overnight-camping-guidelines>