

APDT Sanctioned Rally Obedience Trials*

**Sunday
October 4, 2009**

Two Trials

Levels 1, 2, and 3

Entries open: July 4, 2009

Entries close: September 4, 2009
(or when trial fills)

Great Companions, LLC
6127 Route 873
Slatington, PA 18080

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

Limited Entry: 50 teams per trial

Move ups: Closing date for Move ups is September 4.

**This is an outdoor show, with the course
under cover, on artificial turf.**

*This is a titling event under APDT Rally-O rules and regulations.
For more information go to www.APDT.com.

Hotel Information

Holiday Inn Allentown Lehigh Valley Rte 100 & I-78
610 391 1000
fee for pets per night

Quality Inn 1715 Plaza Lane Allentown, PA 18104
610 435 7880
\$10 fee per pet per night

Don't Wait to Make Your Reservations!

Please have your canine companions on their best behavior, so these hotels will want our business again. We recommend dogs be crated in your rooms when you are not there. And, as always, clean up after your dogs!

**Directions to Show Site: All directions start from Route 22 in Allentown PA
(GPS will get you lost)**

Rt. 309 North

Take 309 North past LCCC and through Schnecksville.
Rt. 873 will branch off to the right at the Wachovia Bank - follow it!
At Neffs Church the road bends.
Great Companions is 1.1 miles on the right.
See 15th St. directions for details.

15th St Exit -- usually the quickest route if you're coming from the east

Exit North onto 15th St./Mauch Chunk Road for about 6 miles.
At the "T" junction in Balliettsville turn left on Rt 329 West
After another mile, just after the crest of a hill, Rt 329 will turn left again on Bellview Road
-- there is no stop at this intersection and this turn is easy to miss!
Soon after going through an underpass (the PA Turnpike) you'll come to Rt 873.
You'll see the giant and beautiful Neffs Church. Go straight after the stop and you'll be on Rt 873 North.
Great Companions is 1.1 miles on Rt 873 on the right hand side.
Just after you pass through the town of Neffs you'll see a sign for Glencrest (don't turn).
There's a guardrail on your right, put on your right turn signal and slow down (even if there is a car directly behind you). There is a large "Great Companions" sign on the barn.
We have 2 driveways; we prefer you take the first which is before the barn.
If you miss it take the second drive which is just past the house and follow it around to the barn.

Cedar Crest Boulevard

Follow Cedar Crest Boulevard north to the "T" junction with Mauch Chunk Road, turn left.
Follow 15th St directions

MacArthur Road / Rt 145

Take 145 to the intersection with 329, turn left.
Go past Egypt and Balliettsville
Follow 15th St directions

Please go to www.greatcompanions.info for complete directions and maps

GENERAL AGREEMENT

I (we) agree that Great Companions, LLC (the hosting club) 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 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, 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. There will be no refunds for withdrawn or absent entries.

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 Trial 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, Great Companions, LLC, 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: _____

OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM APDT RALLY TRIAL

Great Companions, LLC

October 4, 2009

Return completed entry to: Sue Sanders

615 N. 12th Street Allentown, PA 18102

Entries Open July 4, 2009. Entries Close September 4, 2009

Entry fee: \$24 per dog /entry

Dog Information

Call Name:	Rally Registration#:
Registered Name:	
Breed	Jump Height
I anticipate earning: ARCH___ ARCHX___ ARCHEX___ RL1X___ RL2X___ RL3X___ New L1 title___ New L2 Title ___ New L3 title___	

OWNER/HANDLER INFORMATION

Name:		
Address:		
City:	State:	Zip:
Phone:	(day)	E-mail:
Handler's Name (must be member of immediate family):		

Sunday AM	Level 1A	Level 1B	Level 2A	Level 2B	Level 3A	Level 3B
Sunday PM	Level 1A	Level 1B	Level 2A	Level 2B	Level 3A	Level 3B

Please indicate amount of enclosed check _____

Sorry, no credit card entries. Please make checks payable to Great Companions.

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Name:		
Address:		
City:	State:	Zip:
Phone:	(day)	E-mail:
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Awards

Qualifying ribbons will be awarded to each dog/owner team who achieves a score of 170 or better. Placement rosettes will be awarded to the top 5 high scoring teams in both A and B Classes. Championship rosettes will be awarded to all teams completing a Championship title. Special Award opportunities at these trials!

General Information

Entries will not be accepted without an APDT Rally registration number. To obtain a registration number, please obtain a registration form from the APDT Rally website and mail directly to APDT Rally. Registration numbers must be obtained BEFORE entering this trial!

- This is an outdoor trial with AstroTurf surface. Ample crating space. Please bring your EZ Ups for shade.
- Please bring your own food and water for yourself and for your dogs, as there will be limited food available.
- There will be raffles and prizes, as well as some vendors.
- There will be no refunds for absent entries. Refunds will be made for withdrawn entries only if request is made prior to closing date and can be filled by the waiting list. Refunds will be made for bitches in season if request is accompanied by a note from the exhibitor's veterinarian.
- Please make checks payable to **Great Companions**.
- **No prong or choke collars will be allowed on show grounds.**
- **Move ups:** Closing date for Move ups is September 27.

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. Forms are available at www.apdt.com.
- ◆ 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.

In addition,

- ◆ 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 an 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.
- ◆ 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. Please pick up after your dog and yourself.
- ◆ 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.

Contact Information

Ali Brown
P.O. Box 36 Neffs, PA 18065
610 737 1550
Tanacacia@aol.com

Entries and Closing Date

Entry fee: \$24 per dog /entry

Entry limits: 50 teams per trial

Entries must be sent to:

**Sue Sanders
615 N. 12th Street
Allentown, PA 18102**

Entries must be received by noon, September 4, 2009. 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. **Checks must be payable to Great Companions.** Confirmations will be emailed approximately one week prior to trial date.

Check-In/Course Walk-Through

Show site will open at 7:30 am. Check in begins at 8 am. Walk-thru for Level 1 will begin at 8:30 am. Judging begins promptly at 8:45 am. Level 2 will begin at the conclusion of Level 1 and Level 3 will begin at the conclusion of Level 2 for each trial. There will be no lunch break.

Judges

AM:

Level 1 & 3: Peg Munves

Level 2: Ali Brown

PM:

Level 1 & 3: Ali Brown

Level 2: Peg Munves