



**The ALL BREED HERDING CLUB OF  
WESTERN WASHINGTON**

*Presents the*

# **2017 French Trial**

**PARCOURS Á LA FRANÇAISE**

**August 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup>, 2017**

**AHBA Sanctioned Event:**

**French Style - Ranch Large Flock (RLF)**

RLF Limits per day: sheep (12 runs)

**Herding Trial Arena Dog (HTAD) ducks**

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**Junior Herding Dog (JHD)**

**Herding Capability Test (HCT)**

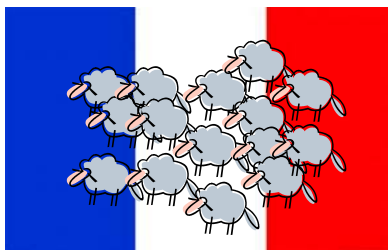
Combined Test Limits per day: sheep (12 runs)

**Judges:**

**Ron Fischer**

**Shelley Fritzki**

**Barbara Davenport**



**Day-of entries accepted starting at 7:00 AM... if there are still openings**

**Handler's Meeting begins at 8:00 AM**

**Mark your calendars! ABHCWW 2017/2018 AKC & AHBA Trials**

**Aug. 25-27, 2017 - AKC, May 26-28, 2018 - AKC, Aug. 18-19, 2018 - AHBA, Aug. 24-26, 2018 - AKC**

**Location and Directions**14401 Crews Road KPN, Gig Harbor, WA 98329 Home: 253-884-5959 **Cell: 253-732-5959**

Use directions below - MapQuest will get you close, then get you lost.

- Hwy 16, Exit for Purdy/Key Center/Shelton, Hwy 302 W.
- Travel into Purdy, Turn left at the signal following sign for Hwy 302 W (Shelton/Key Center)
- Cross Wauna Bridge, travel 5.1 miles
- Turn RIGHT onto Hwy 302 W, Elgin Clifton Rd KPN, toward Shelton/Allyn (There are clearly marked signs leading to Hwy 302 W)
- Travel 1.2 miles, turn RIGHT onto 150<sup>th</sup>
- Travel .1 miles (end of chain link fence) turn LEFT onto 1<sup>st</sup> road into Rocky Creek Conservation Area
- Follow road approximately .8 mile through park, to PackLeader's green farm gate, follow road past two-story house (white w/green trim) to parking lot at the top of the driveway.

[Click here for directions from the PackLeader website.](#)

➤ **Motels & Camping****\*\*Westwynd Motel**                      **6703 144<sup>th</sup> St. NW, Gig Harbor, 98332**                      **(800) 468-9963****\*\*incredibly dog-friendly and very accommodating**

Best Western Wesley Inn                      6575 Kimball Drive, Gig Harbor, 98335                      (888) 462-0002

The INN at Gig Harbor                      3211 56<sup>th</sup> St. N.W., Gig Harbor. 98335                      (800) 795-9980

Gig Harbor RV Resort                      9515 Burnham Drive NW, Gig Harbor, 98332                      (800) 526-8311

PackLeader Farm                      Camping and/or RVs may park on site, no hookups

➤ **Food – Karen's Kitchen** – Lunch is available on the site for \$8.00 per person per day.➤ **Information and Entry Forms:**    **Ashley 253-905-7695 [wrightaa1@gmail.com](mailto:wrightaa1@gmail.com)**  
**Barbara 253-732-5959 [k9sayno@aol.com](mailto:k9sayno@aol.com)**➤ **Entries**Pre-entries must arrive no later than August 11<sup>th</sup>, 2017.Make money orders or checks payable to ABHC of WW. **All payments in US dollars.**

Mail to: French Trial, c/o Ashley Wright, 14401 Crews Rd KPN, Gig Harbor, WA 98329

(Questions? Email: [wrightaa1@gmail.com](mailto:wrightaa1@gmail.com) or [k9sayno@aol.com](mailto:k9sayno@aol.com) )➤ **Entry Fees**RLF Sheep                      Before/on 8-11-18:    \$60.00                      **After 8-12-18:    \$65.00**HTAD Ducks                      Before/on 8-11-18:    \$35.00                      **After 8-12-18:    \$40.00**HTD Ducks                      Before/on 8-11-18:    \$35.00                      **After 8-12-18:    \$40.00**JHD Sheep                      Before/on 8-11-18:    \$35.00                      **After 8-12-18:    \$40.00**HCT Sheep                      Before/on 8-11-18:    \$30.00                      **After 8-12-18:    \$35.00*****Day-of entries (if runs are still available) accepted prior to the start of class beginning at 7:00 AM.***➤ **Limits RLF sheep limited to 12 runs per day & test classes limited to a combined total of 12 test runs per day.**➤ **Refunds**

Refunds are available until pre-entry closes 8-11-2017 at 6:00 pm.

➤ **Judges (Primary Judges in bold type)****Date**

August 19

August 20

Overflow if needed

**Shelley Fritzki (RLF), Barbara Davenport****Ron Fischer (RLF), Shelley Fritzki**

Barbara Davenport

- **Awards**      **Rosettes**      1st – 4<sup>th</sup> place Each Day  
HIT and RHIT Each Day  
High Combined for the weekend  
*PARCOURS A LA FRANCAISE* Qualifying Ribbons
- **Titles**
- This event has AHBA sanctioning: Level I for Ranch Large Flock I (RLF1-s), Level II for Ranch Large Flock II (RLF2-s), and Level III for Ranch Large Flock III (RLF3-s) and HTCh. points. For legs toward these titles, the score earned must be at least 70% of total points available; for championship points in the advanced class, the score must be at least 80% of the total available.
  - *Parcours* Certificates will be awarded according to the French specifications – Excellent, 75% and above of the total points available; Very Good, 60% to 74%; Good, 50% to 59%.
- **French Course:**
- French Course herding emphasizes moving large flocks of sheep to and from grazing areas, encountering obstacles along the way. Sheep are moved by the dog in a variety of ways and the handler may be in front, to the side, or behind the flock. The course is similar in style to AHBA Ranch Large Flock and accommodates a range of practical herding tasks typically performed by a variety of herding breeds.
  - **The judge will set the course; competitors will not know what the course will entail until the day of the trial.**
  - For further information visit <http://www.herdingontheweb.com/french.htm>.

The following are examples of skills and requirements a judge **could** include on the course.

- **Level I**

- **Protection Work:**

- Protection work in the pen, where the dog, at the time of feeding, is to clear a passage into the flock as the farmer advances, ensuring the distribution of food without the farmer being jostled by sheep;

- **Jump** (not available at PackLeader):

- Jump at a height of 30 inches to 36 inches, allowing the dog to go from one enclosure to another or over a fence.

- **Exit:**

- The Exit from the pen is a result of the work of the dog, calm and under control.

- **Reentry:**

- A reentry into the designated pen, which may be a different pen from the one from which the flock departed, is a result of the work of the dog, calm and under control.

- **Graze:**

- During the graze, the flock is kept in the space designated for this exercise, which may be an area along a path, a crop or in an area marked by stakes.

- **Hold:**

- The sheep should be held in a designated spot under the control of the dog; this can be done during the graze or elsewhere as clearly defined and indicated by the judge.

- **Catching a Sheep:**

- While the handler catches a sheep, which may be pre-marked, the dog must, on its own initiative, keep the animals within the indicated space.

- **Movement:**

- The movement includes taking the flock to and from the pen, grazing, negotiating an obstacle.

- **Level II** – including the selected Level I exercises:

**Difficult passages:**

- Difficult passages are narrow, well-defined, and as natural as possible between crops, hedges or fences, courtyards or fields; the transition from a bridge; loading a small group of sheep onto a truck or putting them into a corridor for sorting or treatment.

**Stopping the flock:**

- The dog must be able to stop the flock in all circumstances and the course will include, necessarily, a minimum of two "Stops", placed at a natural boundary: road, path, fence, crop, etc.
- The stopping of the flock, which must be done by the dog, takes place at the exit or entrance of a driveway, exit to a road or path, passage between crops.

- **Level III** – including the selected Level I and Level II exercises:

**Mandatory obstacles:** A sorting exercise and the passing of the flock by a vehicle approaching from the front or overtaking from the rear.

**Sorting:**

- The sorting pen is used to sort animals (e.g., isolate sick animals or to sell ...)

**Car Pass:**

- The car pass shows the dog's ability to channel the flock in difficult situations with a vehicle passing from the front or overtaking the flock and must be done on a true road, or at least in a place representing the possible conditions encountered on roads

**Work at a Distance:**

- Work at a distance is essentially to direct the flock to a defined space, to gather the animals and take them along a predetermined path toward the handler, who remains stationary at a distance of 150-300 meters from the point of stabilization of the flock.

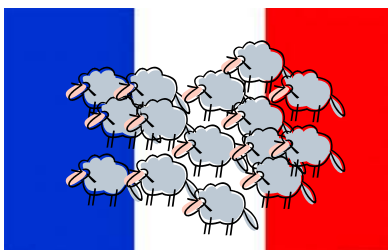
**Difficult Passages:**

- The difficult passages may be more numerous and require greater technical proficiency and handling (sorting pen, loading in a trailer).

**Stops:**

- The stops of the flock may be more numerous, more varied and more rigorous.

**Good Luck Everyone!**



Please fill out one entry form per dog

Entry Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Breed: \_\_\_\_\_ Reg. #: \_\_\_\_\_ Registry: \_\_\_\_\_

Reg. Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Call Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Sex: \_\_\_\_\_ DOB: \_\_\_\_\_  
mm/dd/yyyy

Sire: \_\_\_\_\_

Dam: \_\_\_\_\_

Breeder: \_\_\_\_\_

Owner: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of handler if other than owner: \_\_\_\_\_

**Closing Date is 8/11/2017.** (Entry fees increase by \$5 each after closing.)

Indicate the Class(es) you are entering

Course	Class			Sat	Sun	Price	Totals
	I	II	III				
RLFs						60.00	
HTADd						35.00	
HTDd						35.00	
JHD		-----				35.00	
HCT		-----				30.00	
Lunch		Per day				Provided	
<b>Grand Total</b>							

In consideration for participation in this event, I agree to assume all responsibility for any claim, loss or damage, of whatever kind or nature, whether to person or property, which may be caused at or near this event, either directly or indirectly, by me or the dog(s) I have entered in or brought to this event. I further agree that I will hold AHBA, All Breed Herding Club of Western Washington, PackLeader Farm, Barbara Davenport and/or Steve Weigley harmless and defend them from any and all liability for any injury, claimed damage or loss, of whatever kind or nature, whether to person or property, caused at or near this event whether directly or indirectly, by or to me or any dog(s) I have entered in or brought to this event. I agree to indemnify AHBA, All Breed Herding Club of Western Washington, PackLeader Farm, Barbara Davenport and/or Steve Weigley for any loss, cost or expense including attorney fee and cost to which AHBA, All Breed Herding Club of Western Washington, PackLeader Farm, Barbara Davenport and/or Steve Weigley might be subject to as a result of any claim, suit, loss or damage caused in any way by any act or negligence on my part or on the part of any dog(s) I have entered in or brought to the event. I acknowledge that while the AHBA may provide sanctioning for this event with regard to the issuing of titles, it does not have and does not exercise control over the conduct of the event or those present. I certify and represent that the dog(s) I have entered in or brought to this event is (are) not a hazard to other dogs, other animals, or to people. Replacement cost for injuries/death resulting in livestock unable to is \$200 for sheep and \$25 for ducks.

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 Signature of owner / agent

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 Date