



## WCRL Sanctioned Trial

**Saturday –September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

### Offering Two Trials

**Each Trial offering Intro, Veterans, Level 1, Level 2 & Level 3**

This is a titling event under current WCRL Official Rules & Regulations.

### WCRL Licensed Event #804307

Open to all dogs of any breed – including mixed breeds and disabled dogs.

Go to [www.rallydogs.com](http://www.rallydogs.com) to view Official Rules & Regulations.

### Judge

Jeanne Thompson

### Host & Location

**Monadnock Humane Society**

101 West Swanzey Road

Swanzey, NH 03446

[www.monadnockhumanesociety.org](http://www.monadnockhumanesociety.org)

Trial held indoors on Top Dog rubber flooring - Indoor Crating

Contact: Rachel Brostrom

[raejayaussie@hotmail.com](mailto:raejayaussie@hotmail.com) or 978-602-3600

Entries open- August 7<sup>th</sup>, 2023



**Monadnock  
Humane Society**

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**Entries must be received no later than September 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

Entries submitted via FedEx or Express Mail will be accepted only if the signature waiver is signed.

**Closing Date: September 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023** late entries may be accepted provided there is space in the trial.

**Day of Show entries will not be accepted.**

## TRIAL SCHEDULE

### Saturday - September 30, 2023

<p><b>Trial 1 ▪ Level 1 Briefing to begin-8:00 a.m.</b></p> <p><b>Class Order: Level 1, Intro, Level 2, Level 3, Veterans</b> All Classes Judged by: Jeanne Thompson</p>	<p><b>Trial 2 ▪ Intro Briefing to begin-1:00 p.m.</b></p> <p><b>Class Order: Intro, Level 1, Veterans, Level 2, Level 3</b> All Classes Judged by: Jeanne Thompson</p>
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**All proceeds from this trial directly benefit animals at the Monadnock Humane Society**

## Trial Commttee

**Trial Chairperson:**

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603-325-2869

**Trial Secretary:**

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Ashburnham, MA 01430  
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978-602-3600 talk or text

**Committee:** Amee Abel, Rachel Brostrom, Sharon Domier, Laurel Flax, Judith Nuño

**Facility, Check-In, Briefings and Walk-Thrus**

Move Ups accepted between each trial from A to B and to new class

**Each trial limited to 70 runs**      Doors Open at 7 a.m.

**General briefing will take place at 7:30am-** Judges briefing and walk through for Trial 1, Level 1 will begin immediately following General Briefing.

**Friday Check-in and Set-up:** Early check in and set up will be available Friday evening from 4-6pm. Rally Runthrus will also take place during this time.

**Trial Times:** Level 1 walk thru and briefing will begin approximately 8:00AM for Trial 1. Trial 2 will begin no earlier than 1:00PM with Intro. Briefing for each class will take place ringside.

**Doors will be open at 7am each morning.**

**There will be limited indoor crating. Your car is easily accessed and working out of your car is a good option. EZ Up tents and ex-pens may be set up on the MHS grounds.**

**Our training center accommodates a small number of spectators and we may limit the number of spectators at any given time.**

**Judge's briefing and walk-thru will precede each class- Ring Side.**

**Misc:** Move-ups will be allowed between trials both in level and class.

**Sorry- No Hospitality at this trial! We do usually offer morning coffee along with some crunchy snacks, but you'll have to bring your lunch or make plans to go off-campus.** Area restaurants and fast food are within a short driving distance of the trial site.

\*Monadnock Humane Society will offer opportunities for trainers to become familiar with all levels of the WCRL signs and courses prior to our trial. Call us 603-352-9011 x206, or visit our website [www.monadnockhumanesociety.org](http://www.monadnockhumanesociety.org) for class details.

**Rally Run-thrus will be offered Friday evening** (9/29/2023) from 4-6pm at the Training Center. Level 1 and 2 nested course will be set. \$10/dog for unlimited runs.

**Directions to the Trial Site:** Monadnock Humane Society (MHS) is located just south of Keene, NH 101 West Swanzey Road, Swanzey, NH 03446

\*From southeast (Boston): Take route 128 North to 2 West. In Gardener, MA pick up Route 140 North to 12 North. Follow 12 North to the traffic light in Keene, NH (Agway on left/ Cocoplum Appliances on right). Turn left onto 9 West. At the next intersection, follow the rotary onto Route 10 South-3rd exit off the rotary. MHS is about one mile down Route 10 South on the right.

\*From southwest (Springfield, MA): Take Route 91 North to Exit 28A (Northfield, MA). Turn right off the exit. At the "T" turn left onto Route 10 North. MHS is approximately 30 minutes on the left.

\*From the west (VT): Take Route 9 East to Keene. Route 9 intersects with 10 & 101 at a large rotary. Follow signs onto Route 10 South. MHS is about one mile down Route 10 South on the right.

\*From the east (NH): Follow Route 101 West, through the Route 12 intersection, to the traffic circle in Keene. Take 3rd exit off of circle to Route 10 South. MHS is about a mile down Route 10 South on the right.

### **Hotel/Motel Information:**

Contact the businesses directly for current pet rules. Make your reservations early to ensure the best choice of hotel for your stay. Certain area events and seasons bring many visitors to our area, making hotel accommodations difficult to obtain. We suggest making hotel reservations early.

#### **Keene Hotels:**

**The Best Western Plus Sovereign**, 401 Winchester Street, Keene, NH (at the Junctions of Routes 9, 10 & 12) - (603) 357-3038, pets allowed (additional fees apply). Pool, in-hotel restaurant, breakfast

**Days Inn Keene**, 3 Ashbrook Road, Keene, NH, (603)352-9780, located in the Monadnock Plaza with Home Depot, Pets allowed w/fee

**Holiday Inn Express**, 175 Key Road, Keene, NH (603) 352-7616, just off Winchester Street, pets allowed w/fee

**The Courtyard by Marriott-Downtown Keene**, 75 Railroad Street, Keene, NH (603) 354-7900, pets allowed w/fee  
30 Main Street, Keene, NH (603) 357-7070 2-night minimum certain seasons. Pets allowed w/fee

**\*Brattleboro VT is approximately one half hour away and has a number of motels due to their location on Route 91.**

Consider checking out Brattleboro if you have trouble finding a hotel in Keene.



### **World Cynosport® Rally Obedience Description**

For a complete description of the Rally rules, regulations, performance guidelines, explanation of exercises, etc. go to [www.rallydogs.com](http://www.rallydogs.com). To learn more and get new ideas, you can join the "All Dogs" Rally chat list and talk to other World Cynosport® Rally enthusiasts by sending a message to [RallyO-All-Dogs-subscribe@yahoo.com](mailto:RallyO-All-Dogs-subscribe@yahoo.com).

You must be familiar with all the Rally exercise signs, as well as the Rally Rules and Guidelines prior to the event. Go to [www.rallydogs.com](http://www.rallydogs.com) for an explanation of each of the exercise signs and have fun practicing them with your dog. **World Cynosport Rally encourages participation by ALL dogs – purebred or mixed breed, pets or titled champions.** Handlers are allowed to encourage their dogs in the ring using verbal praise, petting, and even food rewards just as they would in a good training session. The dogs must perform the exercises correctly and there should be a practiced smooth flow to the performance.

This World Cynosport® Rally titling event will allow competitors a chance to earn legs or points toward WCRL titles. All breeds and mixed breeds are welcome to compete and World Cynosport® Rally is committed to encouraging positive training methods. For more information visit [www.rallydogs.com](http://www.rallydogs.com)

## Intro and Veterans Classes

**Veteran Class** Eligibility Based on Age and Weight. Veteran class is open to all dogs who meet the age and weight eligibility as set forth in the following table:

Dog's Weight	Dog's Minimum Age for Veteran Class
90 pounds or more	6 years
50 pounds and less than 90 pounds	7 years
Under 50 pounds	8 years

A Veteran Level course will consist of 12-13 exercises from any Level, plus Start, Finish and a Bonus Exercise from any Level 3 Bonus Exercise. In Veteran class, one Additional Cue per exercise may be given without penalty. Please see the WCRL Rules and Guidelines for more info on Veterans Level regulations. **Veterans class is being offered both trials.**

**Intro Class:** The Intro class is open to all dogs 6 months or older, but dogs who have earned the RL1 or higher are not eligible for placement awards, if offered, in this class. There is no separation of Intro class into A and B classes. An Intro course has 10 exercise signs, including the Bonus. Please see the Official Rules & Regulations for more details on Intro class, including when rewards can be given. **Intro class is being offered both trials.**

### Food and Touch Rewards

Rewards of food and touch may be given in all classes following the conclusion of any stationary exercise, except when performing shared stations, in which the reward may only be given at the conclusion of the final stationary exercise of a shared station. Handler's delivery of the reward must be completed before the team moves forward on the course to the next exercise. Use of the reward to induce a desired behavior is considered luring and is prohibited. Rewards may be given in the ring before beginning and after completion of the course performance. A handler shall not otherwise feed or touch their dog during the course performance. Please see the Official Rules & Regulations for more details on the rules of rewards.

### Bonus Exercise

A Bonus is an exercise through which additional points may be earned. A bonus exercise is offered on all courses in the regular classes, and it shall be clearly marked with a "Bonus" placard. The bonus exercise shall be in course sequence, at judge's discretion, and shall be performed in the normal flow of the timed course at handler's option.

The following rules shall apply for all bonus exercises, whether the bonus exercise has one or two signs: If the bonus exercise is attempted, 10 bonus points are awarded, with point deductions assessed for incorrect performance of the exercise, point deductions on the bonus shall not exceed 10 points. The bonus exercise may be retried one time. If the bonus exercise results in a change of direction, the handler shall perform an additional basic turn as needed following the bonus in order to continue to the next station. If the team opts to bypass the bonus, the team shall heel by the bonus station to the next station; there is no penalty for bypassing the bonus.

Please see the Official Rules & Regulations for details on the bonus exercise, including the list of exercises from which the bonus is selected for each class.

## Jump Heights

Dogs are not required to be measured the day of the trial or prior to judging. However, judges have the option to measure any dog prior to his/her performance if the dog appears to be entered in a group lower than might be indicated by his/her registered shoulder height. Jump heights may also be modified or the jump exercise excused entirely based on physical challenges (e.g. age, disability such as blindness, or use of a mobility device) that a particular dog may face.

The following table shows the recommended and minimum allowable jump heights based upon the dog's height at the withers. The selected jump height shall be indicated on the Entry Form. The "minimum allowable jump height" for each height category is the minimum height permitted without a Request for Modification being made. A handler may select a higher height at their sole discretion, but must have designated the height on the entry form.

Height at Withers	Minimum Allowable Jump Height	Recommended Jump Height
12" or less	4"	4"
16" or less	4"	8"
20" or less	8"	12"
Over 20"	12"	16"

## Level A & B Classes

Level A classes are for teams that have not yet completed their title at that level (i.e. RL1, RL2, RL3, RLV). Level B classes are for teams that have already completed their base level title at that level.

## Time Standards

Each course in all classes has a Maximum Course Time or "MCT". Should this limitation be reached, the course performance is over and the team's score will be marked zero. The following table sets forth the MCT for each class:

	Intro	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Veteran
MCT	3:00.00 minutes (180 seconds)	3:00.00 minutes (180 seconds)	3:30.00 minutes (210 seconds)	4:00.00 minutes (240 seconds)	4:00.00 minutes (240 seconds)

## Notice to Competitors

Competitors, through submission of entry, acknowledge that they are knowledgeable of WCRL rules and regulations including but not limited to the following rules regarding entry:

- This trial is open to a dogs 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 a World Cynosport Rally Limited (or previously APDT) or United States Dog Agility Association, Inc. to compete. We regret we cannot accept an entry without a valid WCRL/APDT /USDAA registration number. See [www.rallydogs.com](http://www.rallydogs.com) to register online or complete the form included in this premium list and submit with your entry or to the WCRL office. (APDT temporary # no longer permitted)
- All WCRL registration numbers are six (6) digits. If you have not logged into your WCRL account to find the WCRL registration number, the following conversion should be used: If your dog's # is R-08-0956, the WCRL # is 800956. If your dog's # is R-13-10956, the WCRL # is 810956, and if you were issued a temporary registration number by APDT, please contact the WCRL office at 972.487.2200, Ext 102 or [groupServices@rallydogs.com](mailto:groupServices@rallydogs.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.
- **If we run the trial as scheduled: 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. A dog or handler who suffers an injury and/or illness or bites that come into season after the closing date may be eligible for a 50% refund of their total entry fee. Written request for refund must be made to the Trial Secretary BEFORE the end of the event, September 30, 2023. Please provide documentation from your veterinarian/physician. 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 unpaid fees or shortfalls must be paid prior to the start of the event or entry is cancelled 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 in the ring. Per-WCRL rules, choke collars and prong collars are not allowed on the trial site grounds on entered dogs.
- All competitors through entry at this event grant to World Cynosport Rally Limited, 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 and waive any and all rights relative thereto.
- All competitors through entry at this event grant to World Cynosport Rally Limited, their representatives, agents, and assigns, hereby release WCRL, 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.
- 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 without the express written consent of World Cynosport Rally Limited.
- 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.
- Dogs with disabilities are allowed and encouraged to compete provided that the dog does not show evidence of being in pain or discomfort. Any necessary modifications to the exercises must be provided by the handler to the judge and approved by the judge.
- Upon successful completion of a Stationary 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 and only be present in the owner's hand at the completion of any Stationary exercise. Any petting, touching, or feeding that significantly interrupts the flow of performance shall be scored accordingly. Rewards may be given in the ring before beginning and after completion of the course performance. See the Official Rules & regulations for more details, including rewarding in Shared Stations.
- Dogs must remain under control at all times whether on or off leash while on trial site grounds. Day kenneling only is permitted. **Crates may be left overnight at your own risk in crating area.**
- Please pick up after your dog and yourself.
- This event will be held indoors on **Top Dog** rubber flooring.



**Official Entry Form: Saturday, September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

**Monadnock Humane Society**

**Entries Open: 8/7/2023**

**Entries Close: 9/15/2023**



**Late entries may be accepted if space allows. No Day of Show Entries taken.**

Return completed entry & payment to: Rachel Brostrom 4 Old Town Road, Ashburnham, MA 01430

Entry Fees payable to **Monadnock Humane Society**

**Dog Information:**

Call Name:		*WCRL or USDAA Registration # _____	
Circle Jump Height: Levels 2 and 3 only  4"      8"      12"      16"  <input type="checkbox"/> Modification will be requested		Height at withers:	Dogs Date of Birth (if known):
Breed or mixed breed/All American:		WCRL Rally Titles already earned:	
*Dogs must have WCRL or USDAA registration number. Valid entries must include a registration number. If your dog is not registered as above, go to <a href="http://www.rallydogs.com">www.rallydogs.com</a> or use the Dog Registration Form in this premium.			

**Owner/Handler Information:**

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

Entries accepted on a first-come-first-served basis. E-mail confirmations will be sent out as soon as your entry has been received. Please make sure to include a valid E-mail address, or self-addressed postcard. Entries received after closing date will be accepted only if limits have not been reached.

**Trial Entry and Fee Information**

Indicate **A** – Titling Class or **B** – Championship Class for each level you enter.

<b>Trial 1 – Saturday 9/30/2023 at 8 am</b> Judge: Jeanne Thompson	<b>Trial 2 – Saturday 9/30/2023- Start Time approx. 1:00pm</b> Judge: Jeanne Thompson
Intro* <input type="checkbox"/> Level 1: A or B Level 2: A or B Level 3: A or B Veterans: A or B	Intro* <input type="checkbox"/> Level 1: A or B Level 2: A or B Level 3: A or B Veterans: A or B
*If entering Intro: Has the Intro (or higher) title been earned? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> No	

This entry is not valid unless the agreement on the following page of this form has been completed, signed, and dated. In order to be valid, entries must also be received with correct fees by the closing date at the address provided above.

Entries will be accepted by overnight mail only if the signature requirement has been waived.

**Entry Fees Submitted:**

<b>Total Trial Entry Fees: \$28 per class</b>	<b>\$</b>
<b><u>Veterans and Intro Class entries: \$25 per class</u></b>	
<b>We are sorry for the increase in our entry fees for 2023- all expenses for our trials have increased.</b>	

Entry fees payable to **Monadnock Humane Society (MHS)**. If using a credit card, please see the following page.

**New Title Information:**

If you anticipate earning a new title at this trial, please let us know the title or titles you hope to earn at our trial:

**RL1 RL2 RL3 RLI (Intro) RLV ARCH ARCHX ARCHEX ARCHMX RL1X RL2X RL3X RLVX**

**Other:**

**GENERAL AGREEMENT:** I (we) agree that the Monadnock Humane Society 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, World Cynosport Rally Limited, 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 there from, 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.

I (we) further acknowledge that I (we) have read, understand, and will abide by the Official Rally Rules and Regulations of World Cynosport Rally Limited and the provisions for entry as set forth in the Rally Test 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 WCRL Rally rules, and that I (we) shall hold the hosting club and WCRL, 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 World Cynosport Rally Limited, the Monadnock Humane Society, 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 WCRL, 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.

**This signed Agreement must accompany your entry form.**

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent or Legal Guardian signature for junior or minor entries:**

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

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If you are paying with a credit card, please complete the following information and your entry fee will be charged to your credit card. Please print clearly.

**Circle One:**                    **VISA**            **MC**            **Discover**            **AMEX**

Account Number:		
Expiration Date:	Security Code:	Cardholders Name:
Cardholders Signature:		
Billing Address and Zip:		
<b>TOTAL ENTRY FEES TO BE CHARGED TO YOUR CREDIT CARD: \$</b>		