ACCOMMODATIONS

Storrs, Connecticut is about 30 minutes from Hartford, CT and about an hour from West Springfield, MA. The following facilities accepted dogs at the time this premium list was prepared. Please confirm that dogs are still welcome when making reservations.

Graduate Hotel Storrs 855 Bolton Road Storrs, CT 06268 860 427 7888	Red Roof Inn Hartford - Vernon 425 Hartford Turnpike Vernon, CT 06066 937-328-4216.
Extended Stay America Select Suites Hartford Manchester 340 Tolland Turnpike Manchester, CT 06040 860-812-7032	Hampton Inn & Suites Hartford-Manchester 1432 Pleasant Valley Road Manchester, CT 06042 855-605-0317
Comfort Inn & Suites 16 Tracy Road Dayville, CT 06241 860-779-3200	Residence Inn By Marriott Hartford Manchester 201 Hale Road Manchester, CT 06042 860-432-4242

DIRECTIONS TO TEST HEADQUARTERS:
GRADUATE HOTEL STORRS
855 Bolton Road, Storrs, CT 06268
860 427 7888

The Graduate Hotel is located on the UConn Storrs campus and appears in GPS searches. The below directions are FYI.

From West Springfield: Take I-91 south to I-291 East to I-84 east
From Hartford: Take I-84 east.
From Boston: Take I-90 (Mass Pike) west to I-84 west.

From I-84: Take exit 168 for CT-195 towards Tolland/Mansfield. At end of exit ramp, turn onto CT-195 south. Continue straight until reaching Bolton Road, then turn right. Continue on Bolton Road until reaching the Graduate Hotel.

ALL DOGS MUST BE WELL BEHAVED IN VEHICLES

VETERINARIAN

East of the River Veterinary
Emergency Clinic and Bolton
Veterinary Hospital
222 Boston Turnpike
Bolton, CT 06043
(13.6 mi from UConn, Storrs)
860-646-6134

HOSPITAL

Windham Hospital
112 Mansfield Ave.
Willimantic, CT 06226
(8.8 mi from UConn, Storrs)
860-456-6715

Events # #2024077418 / #2024077420 / 2024077419 / 2024077421
ENTRIES LIMITED: 4 TD DOGS / 4 TDX DOGS / 4 TDU DOGS / 4 VST DOGS

ENTRIES CLOSE at 6:00 p.m. Wednesday, September 4 at the home of the Test Secretary, after which entries cannot be accepted, canceled, altered, or substituted except as specified herein. (SEE NOTICE TO EXHIBITORS UNDER WITHDRAWALS.)

PREMIUM LIST

GOLDEN RETRIEVER CLUB OF AMERICA
2024 NATIONAL SPECIALTY

Licensed by the American Kennel Club



TRACKING DOG (TD), TRACKING DOG EXCELLENT (TDX),
TRACKING DOG URBAN (TDU), and VARIABLE SURFACE TRACKING (VST) TESTS
Limited to Golden Retrievers

Unbenched -- Outdoors rain or shine
Wednesday, October 2nd TD and TDX
Thursday, October 3rd TDU and VST
Test hours: 7:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Drawing for 4 TD tracks will be at 7:30 a.m. at the Test Headquarters
Drawing for 4 TDX tracks will be at 9:30 a.m. at the Test Headquarters
Drawing for 4 TDU tracks will be at 7:30 a.m. at the Test Headquarters
Drawing for 4 VST tracks will be at 9:30 a.m. at the Test Headquarters
draw time may change if tracks are substituted*

Test Headquarters: Graduate Hotel, Storrs, CT
Test Site: University of Connecticut, Storrs, CT and environs

The GRCA reserves the right to cancel the event in extreme weather conditions

AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB CERTIFICATION
Permission has been granted by the American Kennel Club for holding this event under American Kennel Club Rules and Regulations
Gina M. DiNardo , Secretary

OFFICERS OF THE GOLDEN RETRIEVER CLUB OF AMERICA

President:	Patricia McCabe
Vice Presidents:	Angela Mclean, Jolene Cary, Karin Shinego
Secretary:	Karen Arbuthnot 150 County Road, Ipswich MA 01938
Treasurer:	Marcy Werner

TRACKING COMMITTEE

Test Chair TD/TDX:	Susan Palius 492 Millstone River Road, Belle Mead, NJ 08502
Test Chair TDU/VST	Kathy Grim 6 Longmeadow Road. Westborough, MA 01581
Test Secretary TD/TDX/ TDU/VST:	Susan Palius 492 Millstone River Road, Belle Mead, NJ 08502 917-359-6268 susanpalius@yahoo.com
Members	Susan Campia, Kathleen Goodman, Roseann Mandel, France Roozen

JUDGES

TD /TDX/TDU/VST	
Ray Desmarais Barrington, NH	Stephanie Crawford Binghamton, NY

ENTRY FEE: $75 for Tracking Dog, $75 for Tracking Dog Urban; $150 for Tracking Dog Excellent and $150 for Variable Surface Tracking which includes AKC recording fee and service fees. Checks payable to GRCA.

CLOSING DATE: 6:00 p.m. Wednesday, September 4, 2024 at the Test Secretary's home, after which time entries cannot be accepted, canceled, altered, or substituted.

As required by the AKC Tracking Regulations, a written certification must accompany the TD or TDU entry for any dog which has not previously passed an AKC TD or TDU test. **All entrants submitting certifications should enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope so that unused certifications may be returned.**

In accordance with Chapter 1, Section 12 of the Tracking Regulations, the Test Secretary may enter and handle a dog that she owns or co-owns.

No dog may be entered in more than one test on each day. However, under Chapter 1, Section 11, a dog may be entered in more than one test at a combined tracking test where each test is held on a separate day in conjunction with a National Specialty.

SUBSTITUTION OF TRACKS: In the event that there are insufficient TD or TDX entries or insufficient TDU or VST entries, tracks may be substituted using the factor of 2 TDs = 1 TDX and 2 TDUs = 1 VST as specified in Chapter 1, Section 15 of the AKC Tracking Regulations.

The drawings for entries and alternates will be conducted in accordance with Chapter 1, Section 17 of the AKC Tracking Regulations. These TD/TDU/TDX/VST Tests are limited to Golden Retrievers.

The drawing will take place at the test secretary's home at 8:00 AM on Thursday, September 5, 2024 or as soon as practicable thereafter, however if the Secretary is entered the drawing will be conducted by another member of the tracking committee. After the entry limit is reached in TD, TDU, TDX or VST, an alternate list will be prepared with positions assigned according to the order in which they were drawn. The Test Secretary will notify all entries of the results of the draw by e-mail as soon as practicable after the draw**.**

WITHDRAWALS: Withdrawals must be made in writing to the Test Secretary. If an entry withdraws for any reason between the closing date and the test date and is replaced by an alternate, the entry check will not be used, however, if the entrant is not replaced by an alternate the check will be used. The entry check for an alternate that does not participate will not be used.

ENTRY FEES WILL BE MADE BY CHECK. If you would like your check returned in the event it is unused, please enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope; otherwise all such checks will be shredded.

BITCHES IN SEASON MAY PARTICIPATE in accordance with Chapter 2, Section 8 of the AKC Tracking Regulations after all other dogs and bitches have been tested. They will be allowed on the tracking fields or urban site only immediately prior to the running of their tracks. Please notify the Test Secretary as soon as you know your bitch is in season for this test.

PLEASE NOTE: Exhibitors should follow their veterinarians' recommendation to ensure their dogs are free of internal and external parasites, any communicable diseases, and have appropriate vaccinations.

TROPHIES: The Golden Retriever Club of America will offer a rosette and a glove to each passing team. There will be an additional rosette and trophy for any dog that completes its Champion Tracker title.

AKC Rules, Regulations, Policies and Guidelines are available on the American Kennel Club Web site, www.akc.org

AGREEMENT

I (we) agree that the club holding this event has the right to refuse this entry for cause which the club shall deem sufficient. In consideration of the acceptance of this entry and of the holding of this event and of the opportunity to have the dog judged and to win prizes, ribbons, or trophies, I (we) agree to hold the AKC, the event-giving club, their members, directors, governors, officers, agents, superintendents or event secretary and the owner and/or lessor of the premises and any provider of services that are necessary to hold this event and any employees or volunteers of the aforementioned parties, and any AKC approved judge, judging at this event, harmless from any claim for loss or injury which may be alleged to have been caused directly or indirectly to any person or thing by the act of this dog while in or about the event premises or grounds or near any entrance thereto, and I (we) personally assume all responsibility and liability for any such claim; and I (we) further agree to hold the aforementioned parties harmless from any claim for loss, injury or damage to this dog.

Additionally, I (we) hereby assume the sole responsibility for and agree to indemnify, defend 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 at any time resulting 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, however such, injuries, death or property damage may be caused, and whether or not the same may have been caused or may be alleged to have been caused by the negligence of the aforementioned parties or any of their employees, agents, or any other persons. **I (WE) AGREE THAT ANY CAUSE OF ACTION, CONTROVERSY OR CLAIM ARISING OUT OF OR RELATED TO THE ENTRY, EXHIBITION OR ATTENDANCE AT THE EVENT BETWEEN THE AKC AND THE EVENT-GIVING CLUB (UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED IN ITS PREMIUM LIST) AND MYSELF (OURSELVES) OR AS TO THE CONSTRUCTION, INTERPRETATION AND EFFECT OF THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE SETTLED BY ARBITRATION PURSUANT TO THE APPLICABLE RULES OF THE AMERICAN ARBITRATION ASSOCIATION. HOWEVER, PRIOR TO ARBITRATION ALL APPLICABLE AKC BYLAWS, RULES, REGULATIONS AND PROCEDURES MUST FIRST BE FOLLOWED AS SET FORTH IN THE AKC CHARTER AND BYLAWS, RULES, REGULATIONS, PUBLISHED POLICIES AND GUIDELINES.**

INSTRUCTIONS

1. (Variety) if you are entering a dog of breed in which there are varieties for show purposes, please designate the particular variety you are entering, i.e., Cocker Spaniel (solid color black, ASCOB, parti-color), Beagles (not exceeding 13 in., over 13 in. but not exceeding 15 in.), Dachshunds (longhaired, smooth, wirehaired), Collies (rough, smooth), Bull Terriers (colored, white), Manchester Terriers (standard, toy), Chihuahuas (smooth coat, long coat), English Toy Spaniels (King Charles and Ruby, Blenheim and Prince Charles), Poodles (toy, miniature, standard).
2. The following categories of dogs may be entered and shown in Best of Breed competition: Dogs that are Champions of Record and dogs which, according to their owners' records, have completed the requirements for a championship, but whose championships are unconfirmed. The showing of unconfirmed Champions in Best of Breed competition is limited to a period of 90 days from the date of the show where the dog completed the requirements for a championship.
3. (Event Class) Consult the classification in this premium list. If the event class in which you are entering your dog is divided, then, in addition to designating the class, specify the particular division of the class in which you are entering your dog, i.e., age division, color division, weight division.
4. A dog must be entered in the name of the person who actually owned it at the time entries for an event closed. If a registered dog has been acquired by a new owner it must be entered in the name of its new owner in any event for which entries closed after the date of acquirement, regardless of whether the new owner has received the registration certificate indicating that the dog is recorded in his name. State on entry form whether transfer application has been mailed to the AKC. (For complete rules, refer to Chapter 11, Section 3.)

If this entry is for Junior Showmanship, please give the following information:
JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP JR.'S DATE OF BIRTH_____
AKC JUNIOR HANDLER NUMBER _____
The above number MUST be included. Should you not have your Junior Handler number, this may be obtained from the American Kennel Club. Phone: (919) 816-3776.

By signing the entry form I (we) certify that the Junior Showman does not now, and will not at any time, act as an agent/handler for pay while continuing to compete in Junior Showmanship.

ADDRESS_____
CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

If Junior Handler is not the owner of the dog identified on the face of this form, what is the relationship of the Junior Handler to the Owner?_____

AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB

OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM

GOLDEN RETRIEVER CLUB OF AMERICA

Tracking Dog (TD) and Tracking Dog Excellent (TDX) Tests
Wednesday, October 2, 2024
Tracking Dog Urban (TDU) and Variable Surface Tracking (VST) Tests
Thursday, October 3, 2024
University of Connecticut, Storrs, CT

Enclose $75 TD, $75 TDU, $150 TDX or $150 VST per dog and Certification as required.
Entries close at 6:00 PM Wednesday, September 4, 2024 at the Test Secretary's home.
Mail entries **with fee payable to GRCA** to:
Susan Palius, 492 Millstone River Road, Belle Mead, NJ 08502

IMPORTANT- Read instructions on reverse side carefully before filling out. Numbers in the boxes indicate sections of the instructions relevant to the information needed in that box.

PLEASE INPUT AND PRINT--ILLEGIBLE ENTRIES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED

BREED	SEX	CLASS
Golden Retriever		☐TD ☐TDX ☐TDU ☐VST
NAME OF JUNIOR HANDLER (if any)		JR. HANDLER NUMBER
FULL NAME OF DOG		CALL NAME
❑ AKC REG NO. ❑ AKC LITTER NO. ❑ ILP NO. ❑ FOREIGN REG. NO. & COUNTRY		DATE OF BIRTH PLACE OF BIRTH ❑ USA ❑ Canada ❑ Foreign
BREEDER		
SIRE		
DAM		
ACTUAL OWNER(S) [4] (Please Print)		
OWNER'S ADDRESS		
CITY, STATE, ZIP		
NAME OF HANDLER:		

I CERTIFY that I am the actual owner of the dog, or that I am the duly authorized agent of the actual owner whose name I have entered above. In consideration of the acceptance of this entry, I (we) agree to abide by the rules and regulations of The American Kennel Club in effect at the time of this event, and by any additional rules and regulations appearing in the premium list for this event, and further agree to be bound by the "Agreement" printed on the reverse side of this entry form. I (we) certify and represent that the dog entered is not a hazard to persons or other dogs. This entry is submitted for acceptance on the foregoing representation and Agreement. I (we) agree to conduct myself (ourselves) in accordance with all such Rules and Regulations (including all provisions applying to discipline) and to abide by any decisions made in accord with them.

SIGNATURE of owner or his agent duly authorized to make this entry

Phone #	In Case of Emergency Contact: Name: Phone #:

Email address (acknowledgment of receipt of entry, draw results and judging program will sent to this e-mail address):