**Official NACSW™**

**Elite, L1I, L2I & Elite Trials**

**September 4-6, 2021**

**TRIAL LOCATION:**

Lancaster Mennonite School

2176 Lincoln Highway East

Lancaster, PA 17602

**PLEASE NOTE**: It is not appropriate to contact **OR VISIT** the trial location prior to the trial date, nor should training take place on trial grounds once an event is approved/announced. Our locations are real life search environments where people work, go to school, etc. Pre-trial contact or visits risk the host losing the opportunity to use the location again in the future.

**Trial Host:**
Nose-It-All, LLC

**Elite: Saturday, September 4, 2021
L1I: Sunday AM, September 5, 2021**

**L2I: Sunday PM, September 5, 2021
Elite: Monday, September 6, 2021**

There are no BSL restrictions.

**Certifying Official:** Kathe Baxter

**Judges:** Linda Murphy and Garrett Dyer (all 3 days)

**Entry Cost**
**Elite**: $205 per dog and handler team

**L1I:** $125 per dog and handler team

**L2I:** $135 per dog and handler team

Your entry cost includes a lunch provided by the Lancaster Mennonite School. There is no option to decline this meal as it is a condition for our use of the site. If you will not eat your lunch, you may donate it to feed one of the volunteers.

**Number of Entries**

**Elite:** 28 entries

**L1I:** 35 entries

**L2I:** 25 Entries

One dog per handler per level/element.

Event attendees are required to adhere to the NACSW [COVID-19 Event Guidelines and Rules](https://drive.google.com/open?id=1pMMICXeMDJV2iFxAFOuPAMXEBoRmaik0qzSE4tiZuSI).

In addition to those guidelines the following changes and guidelines are in effect for this trial due to COVID-19:

* Competitors are asked to bring their own hand sanitizer and disinfectant wipes.

If there are any significant changes or updates after the draw period, entrants will be notified via email. Competitors are responsible for staying up to date on any jurisdictional requirements for their home location as well as the trial location including any travel guidance.

Details regarding site specific COVID-19 restrictions that will be in effect at the time of the trial are not known at this time.

Details regarding restrictions and requirements as they exist at the time the final details email will be included in that email. You must comply with these mandatory restrictions. We will attempt to email competitors about any changes that occur after the final details email goes out, but we ask for your understanding that there are many tasks that must be accomplished during that time, so there may be new details when you arrive at the trial. You will not be required to bring with you any equipment of which you did not have advance notice. If a change such as this happens, we will provide the requisite equipment if we cannot provide you with advance notice.

**PLEASE NOTE:**

At this time, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Health Department has no travel restrictions. Travelers should still practice appropriate public health measures to slow the spread of COVID-19 such as masking, physical distancing, and hand hygiene. These guidelines may be relaxed or stricter at the time of the trial. Please refer to the following link for the current Pennsylvania travel restrictions: <https://www.health.pa.gov/topics/disease/coronavirus/Pages/Travelers.aspx>

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|  TRIAL ENTRY INFORMATION  |

**Trial Entry Open and Closing**

* The draw period for the trial will open on July 26, 2021 at 12pm EST. Entries will be awarded by random draw of all entries received between 12pm EST on July 26, 2021, and 12pm EST on July 28, 2021.
* Trial entry will close at the end of the draw if the trial and wait list are deemed full. If the trial and wait list are not full, the trial will remain open for entries until they are deemed full or the day of the trial.
* We will not be taking payment until you are given a space in the trial. If you are given a space in the trial, you will receive information on how to submit payment. You will then have five (5) business days to submit payment by **CHECK OR MONEY ORDER ONLY**.

**Entry Method**

All entries will be online via the link to the NACSW™ trial entry form provided. Paper and phone entries will not be accepted. Completing the form is not a guarantee of entry. You will receive a confirmation email from lisa@nose-it-all.comto let you know if your entry has been given a space in the trial.

**Entry Requirements & Selection**

**A Qualified Entry is one that meets all the following criteria:**

1. Complete the online trial entry during the draw period listed above.
2. The Handler is a NACSW™ member for the 2021-2022 membership year (8/1/21 - 7/31/22).
3. The Dog is registered with the NACSW™.
4. Dogs participating in a trial must be at least one year of age.
5. The Dog has achieved the ORT title (passed all 3 odors) and prior title level at least 14 days before the trial opens for entries. This applies to all levels effective April 1, 2021.
6. Qualified entry for Elite – Dog has earned the NW3 Elite title and has not yet earned the ELT-CH title.
7. Qualified entry for L1I – Dog has not earned the Level 1 title for Interiors.
8. Qualified entry for L2I – Dog has earned the Level 1 title for Exteriors but has not yet earned the Level 2 title for Exteriors.

**Trial spaces will be determined in the following manner:**

* Spaces will be awarded by a random draw of all Qualified Entries received during the draw period listed above.
* In the event that you are having technical difficulties with the entry system, please email trialentry@nacsw.net prior to the end of the draw period.
* No dog will be given a space in more than one trial of the same level at a single event.
* You may enter multiple dogs for entry in the draw. However, only one dog/handler per title level will be accepted into the trial. Entry will go to the dog selected in the draw – you may not swap to an alternate dog. If multiple dogs are selected in the draw, you may select which dog you wish to enter. Once a dog has been entered as a second dog/handler entry, you may not swap handlers after the draw to change the entry to a first dog/handler unless the trial is not full.
* If a trial level is not full after the draw of Qualified Entries, then there will be a Secondary Draw of any entries received that did not meet the ORT title or title requirements. These entries will be accepted pending completion of the requirements. **Note:** Dogs must earn their ORT title and prior title level at least 3 days prior to the trial date to be eligible to compete. If the required title or ORT title is earned less than 14 days prior to the event, it is the competitor’s responsibility to notify the host that the requirement has been completed.
* If the trial and waitlist are not full after all entries received during the draw period have been processed, entries will continue to be accepted in the order they are received until the trial and waitlist are deemed full.
* For Exhibit Only Dogs (FEO): Dogs running FEO are not eligible to receive titles or earn placement ribbons. FEO results will not be included in the posted trial results. If space remains after all qualified entries are accommodated on August 19, 2021, then we will offer spaces for those who wish to run a dog For Exhibition Only (FEO). Second dog/handler FEO entries on the same day will be offered spaces after August 19, 2021.
* The trial host of an event has the right to refuse entry of any competitor or dog for just cause as approved by the National Trial Committee. Just cause includes lack of adherence to NACSW™ rules and guidelines and the policies outlined in each event entry premium.
* Some trial entries may be given priority entry based on contributions to the organization and the trial process.

You will be notified via e-mail of the results of the random draw by 12AM EST on August 5, 2021. If you have a spam blocker on your email account, please configure it to allow email from lisa@nose-it-all.comin order to ensure delivery of confirmation and information about this trial.

You will then have five (5) business days from notification to complete your payment by check or money order to confirm your space in the trial. Checks or money orders should be made payable to “Lisa Basial” and mailed to Lisa Basial, 1009 Rockledge Drive, Carlisle, PA, 17015.

If you receive a spot and do not plan to accept the entry, please email us at lisa@nose-it-all.comas soon aspossible to let us know. We have no way of knowing if you have received the notification that you have won the NACSW™ entry lottery. This will allow us to keep our competitor and waitlists up to date. It also gives the next person on the waitlist time to make arrangements to attend if you not want your spot.

A waiting list for alternates will be started as soon as entries fill. Alternates will be contacted when a space opens and they are first on the waitlist. Depending on last minute trial logistics, the host may opt not to fill cancelled spaces.

NACSW™ reserves the right to cancel a trial if minimum entry numbers are not met.

*Be sure you read and understand the guidelines for this trial before entering. By submitting a registration for this NACSW™ Trial, you acknowledge that you have read, understand, and accept the policies and liability information of NACSW™.*

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| CANCELLATION POLICY |

The following cancellation policy applies:

* For cancellation of entries at or before 5pm EST August 9, 2021 – Full refund minus a $25 processing fee.
* For cancellation of entries after 5pm EST August 9, 2021, but at or before 5pm EST on August 19, 2021 – 50% refund will be issued if host can and does fill your space with a Qualified Entry.
* For cancellation of entries after 5pm EST on August 19, 2021 – no refunds will be issued, except for titles earned and properly notified as stated below.
* No refunds will be issued for cancellations during the last 72 hours before the event or for no-shows.
* No refunds will be issued based on COVID mandatory restrictions that are disclosed in the confirmation or final details emails. Further, no refunds will be issued due to any CDC, state or local government restrictions or changes that occur after final details emails have been sent.
* Refunds due to positive COVID test: Host may issue a 50% refund after 5pm EST on August 19, 2021, if competitor tests positive for COVID (official documentation required) **AND** host can and does fill your space with a Qualified Entry. Please note: Due to time constraints, the host may opt not to fill cancelled entries and no refund will be issued.
* If you earn the title for the level you are entering after the refund period has ended then you must contact the trial host at lisa@nose-it-all.comwithin 48 hours of earning your title and at least 72 hours before the trial you are registered for to let them know you are no longer eligible. If you contact the host within 48 hours of titling and at least 72 hours before their trial and (1) they are unable to fill your space with a Qualified Entry then you won't be given a refund but will be allowed to keep your space in the trial and run your dog FEO or (2) they are able to fill your space with a Qualified Entry then a refund will be issued minus the processing fee listed in the cancellation policy. If you fail to contact the host within 48 hours of earning your title and at least 72 hours before the trial for which you are registered then you will forfeit your space, you will not be allowed to run FEO and no refund will be issued.
* All cancellations must be emailed tolisa@nose-it-all.com**.** Cancellations are not valid without confirmation of receipt from lisa@nose-it-all.com.
* Entry fees shall not be refunded if a dog or handler is absent, disqualified, or excused by a NACSW™ official or judge.
* *This cancellation and refund policies apply to competitors that must withdraw for any reason including but not limited to injury, illness, emergency, and personal- or work-related reasons.*
* *If the trial cannot take place or be completed by reason of fire, civil disturbances, an Act of God, public emergency or any other cause beyond the control of the trial organizers, then the trial host will make their best effort to provide partial refunds after recouping their expenses.*

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| LOCATION DETAILS |

**Trial Conditions**

Modeled after real-life detection work, NACSW™ trials are held in many different locations, with a variety of terrain, under varying weather conditions. Dogs and handlers need to be able to safely negotiate a variety of surfaces, including, but not limited to, steps, tile, linoleum, carpeting, gravel, asphalt, uneven surfaces, and slippery footing. Handlers should be prepared to deal with a variety of weather conditions, including heat, cold, rain and snow. Trials frequently require covering extensive distances to get to and from the parking area to each of the search areas and generally require that this be done across natural, uneven surfaces. Handlers should be prepared for the physical demands and must be able to navigate the terrain with their dog accordingly. Participants should expect to spend most of the day outside or in their vehicles as there are rarely indoor crating options at trials. Please be prepared for you and your canine partner to deal with all these varying environmental challenges. Handlers should familiarize themselves with potential regional risks and health concerns that may affect themselves or their dogs. Handlers agree that they are entering this trial at their own risk.

**Site Specific Conditions**

This site is a private school. The outside terrain is grass, gravel, dirt, pavement and cement. The parking areas are macadam and offer little to no natural shade. The pathways, search areas and dog potty areas may require you to navigate steps, tile, gravel, asphalt, paved pathways, unmanicured dirt pathways, grassy areas, uneven surfaces and slippery footing. Inside search areas and paths thereto may have varying surfaces such as carpet, tile, stone or wood flooring, some of which may seem slippery, and may require navigation of flights of stairs for ingress and/or egress. The search areas are spread out so there may be long walks to the search areas. There are some mild elevation changes. The use of elevators to reach search areas may also be necessary, but cannot be guaranteed for all search areas. Due to unforeseen conditions, such as weather or change in availability of areas at the location, the expected search areas, parking, and pathways to the search areas may be modified at the last minute.

**Reactive Dog Parking**

There will be reactive dog parking at this trial. Please email lisa@nose-it-all.com if you wish to reserve a reactive dog parking space. Due to unforeseen conditions, such as weather or change in availability of areas at the location, this policy may be modified at the last minute.

**Unentered Dogs**

**QUIET** and well-behaved unentered dogs may be brought to the trial. Unentered dogs must remain in the competitor’s vehicle during the trial day. There will be ample potty areas, but unentered dogs should not be allowed to “play,” exercise, or train on the trial grounds.

**RV Parking**

There is limited space for RV parking available during the trial day. No overnight RV parking is permitted. You **MUST** contact the host at lisa@nose-it-all.com to make sure there is enough RV parking space. Due to unforeseen conditions, such as weather or change in availability of areas at the location, this policy may be modified at the last minute.

**Running Vehicles or Generators in the parking lot**

Running of vehicles or generators in the competitor parking lot is **NOT** permitted. Due to unforeseen conditions, such as weather or change in availability of areas at the location, this policy may be modified at the last minute.

**Smoking**

Smoking, including the use of e-cigarettes, is not allowed on this trial site.

**Hotels**A list of area hotels is available here. Please contact the hotel directly for more detail on their pet policy.

* Red Roof Inn Lancaster, 2307 Lincoln Highway East, Lancaster, PA 937-328-1679
* Quality Inn Lancaster, 2129 Lincoln Highway East, Lancaster, PA 717-393-8888
* Americas Best Value Inn Lancaster, 1320 Harrisburg Pike, Lancaster, PA 17603
* Country Inn and Suites, 2260 Lincoln Hwy E, Lancaster, PA, 717-299-4460
* Circle M RV Camping and RV Resort, 2111 Millersville Rd, Lancaster, PA 717-872-4651
* Clarion Inn Strasburg-Lancaster, 1400 Historic Drive, Strasburg, PA 717-687-7691
* Comfort Inn at Rockvale, 24 South Willowdale Drive, Lancaster, PA 855-516-1090

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| DOG INFORMATION |

**Dog Policies**

* All dogs must be on a 6’ leash at all times when not being tested. No flexi-leashes while not participating in a competition search.
* Dogs that need space from dogs may wear a red bandanna, to be provided by the dog’s handler, to help signal others that the dog needs extra space from other dogs.
* Dogs will be toileted in designated areas and handlers must pick-up and dispose of waste in designated containers.
* Dogs and handlers must stay in designated areas to avoid contaminating testing space, interrupting a test or viewing any part of the testing.
* Competitors should expect to keep their dogs confined in a crate or vehicle when not competing. The logistics of a trial typically do not allow for dogs to hang out on leash in between searches. Competitors should plan to provide their own shade using canopies or shade cloths.
* Refer to Site Specific Conditions (above) for information on unentered dogs.

**Females in Season**Will be allowed to run wearing “pants” at the end of the running orders after all other dogs have been judged. Females in season will be parked and pottied in areas separate from the other dogs while at the trial if the location logistics permit. Handlers must contact lisa@nose-it-all.com so plans can be made for the female in season.

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| OTHER INFORMATION  |

**Rules**Complete rules are available at [www.NACSW.net](http://www.nacsw.net). **It is the responsibility of each competitor to read and understand the current NACSW™ Rule Book prior to participating in a NACSW™ event.**

**Liability**

By registering for the trial, competitors and attendees hereby assume all risks of, and responsibility for, accidents and/or damages to her/himself and/or to her/his property, from any cause, and/or to others resulting from the actions of her/his action(s) and/or dog(s). Competitors and attendees expressly agree that the Lancaster Mennonite School; the NACSW™; Nose-It-All, LLC; Lisa Basial and/or their assignees and/or any other agent(s) of said individuals or entities shall not be held liable personally and/or collectively under any circumstances for injury and/or damage to her/himself, for loss and/or injury to property, whether due to uncontrolled dogs and/or negligence of any agent(s), member(s) or employee(s) of said individuals or entities, and/or due to any other cause(s). Competitors and attendees also agree to assume all financial liability that may be incurred by Lancaster Mennonite School; the NACSW™; Nose-It-All, LLC; Lisa Basial and/or their assignees and/or any other agent(s) of said individuals or entities due to the actions of themselves and/or their dog(s), regardless of the cause(s).

**Sportsmanship**
All competitors/handlers and spectators are expected to follow the rules of the NACSW™ and demonstrate good sportsmanship. This includes making sure the hide placements are unknown to the handler prior to testing and kept secret from other competitors. Please do not discuss hide placement or any details of a dog's performance that may provide information or clues to other handlers or may be overheard.

**NACSW™ Results**

Results for each search and overall will be posted after all searches are completed and scores are verified for you to record your results for your own records. It is your responsibility to ensure your scores are accurate prior to leaving trial grounds. If a discrepancy cannot be verified at the trial, you may be instructed to submit a score card review request. It is not the responsibility of the host or NACSW™ to return score sheets that are left behind or to mail ribbons that are not picked up.

**Spectators**
Spectating will be allowed at some elements, space permitting and at the Certifying Official’s discretion. Spectators may not photograph or video searches. Children under 18 must always be directly supervised by a parent/guardian. No dogs will be allowed in the spectator area. No unentered dogs with spectators are allowed at the trial. Spectators are reminded that the hide placements must not be discussed and they should not speak with any competitors about what they saw until after the trial is complete.

An adult accompanying a minor must be present during the searches. Everyone at the trial site must sign the waiver provided by the host and comply with all event requirements.

**Videotaping and Photography**

At the host’s discretion, a video service and/or photographer may be present during the trial to offer videos and/or photographs for sale to competitors.

As a condition of your entry, you agree to allow NACSW™ and/or their agents to video you and your dog during the entirety of the NACSW™ event. These videos are the property of NACSW™. All competitors, through entry at any NACSW™ event, waive any and all rights relative to video broadcast or photography of such event.

**Questions**
For all trial related questions, please contact Lisa Basial at lisa@nose-it-all.com**.**