

ENTRY METHOD: First Received

Opening date for trial is **January 6, 2026**. Closing date for trial is **February 18, 2026**. Entries received prior to the opening date shall be treated as an invalid entry and shall be returned to the sender. If necessary, a wait list will be held from the remaining entries after limits have been reached.

PREMIUM LIST



Suffolk Obedience Training Club
(Licensed by the American Kennel Club)

Online entries will be accepted for this show. Please see page 3 for more information.

Saturday & Sunday, March 7 & 8, 2026 Events
2026002305, 2026002306, 2026002309, 2026002310

Cerebral Palsy Association of Nassau County, Inc.
380 Washington Avenue, Roosevelt, NY 11575

Revised ENTRY LIMITS

250 runs per trial

To be held Indoors and Outdoors

Trial Hours:

Saturday & Sunday– 7:30am to 4:00pm

Check-in from 7:30-8:00 am daily

Handler's Briefing at 8:00am, first dog to follow

Judges: Susan Scelzi, Islip Terrace, NY
Melinda Lewis Vogt, Mount Vision NY
Michelle Elea Belio, Westbury NY
Terri Mariner, Old Saybrook, CT
Carol Bond, St. James, NY



**AMERICAN
KENNEL CLUB**

CERTIFICATION

Permission is granted by the American Kennel Club for the holding of this event under American Kennel Club rules and regulations.
Sheila Goffe, Executive Secretary

OFFICERS OF Suffolk Obedience Training Club

President.....Judy Duck
 Vice President.....Melanie VanderMeer
 Secretary.....Kathi Galotti
 Treasurer.....Kathy Brown

TRIAL CHAIRPERSONS	TRIAL SECRETARY
Caryn Meirs 115 Grassy Pond Dr., Smithtown, NY 11787 caryn.meirs@gmail.com Beth Moose, 156 Monell Ave, Islip NY 11751	Louise Wetzel PO Box 309, Bay Shore, NY 11706 ljwscentwork@gmail.com 516-220-3727

EVENT COMMITTEE

Cindy Kumpfbeck, Marcia Boxenbaum, Barb Kaiser
 Lisa Lohsen and all the members of
 SOTC

Judges and Assignments

Judges & Assignments	Sue Alster-Scelzi #102457 Islip Terrace, NY	Melinda Lewis Vogt 10589 Mount Vision, NY 13810	Michelle Elea Belio #117575 Old Westbury, NY	Terri Marinier #100162 Old Saybrook, CT	Carol Bond #102324 St. James, NY
Trial 1 & 2					
Saturday		<u>Novice A/B</u>	<u>Advanced</u>	<u>Excellent</u>	<u>Masters</u>
	Container	Carol Bond	Carol Bond	Carol Bond	Carol Bond
	Interior	Sue Alster Scelzi	Sue Alster Scelzi	Sue Alster Scelzi	Sue Alster Scelzi
	Exterior	Michelle Elea Belio	Michelle Elea Belio	Melinda Vogt	Melinda Vogt
	Buried	Terri Marinier	Terri Marinier	Terri Marinier	Terri Marinier
Trial 1 & 2					
Sunday		<u>Novice A/B</u>	<u>Advanced</u>	<u>Excellent</u>	<u>Masters</u>
	Container	Michelle Elea Belio	Michelle Elea Belio	Sue Alster Scelzi	Sue Alster Scelzi
	Interior	Melinda Vogt	Melinda Vogt	Melinda Vogt	Melinda Vogt
	Exterior	Terri Marinier	Terri Marinier	Terri Marinier	Terri Marinier
	Buried	Carol Bond	Carol Bond	Carol Bond	Carol Bond

CLASSES OFFERED & JUDGING TIMES

SATURDAY
Judging begins immediately after the 8:00am briefing
Exterior all Levels
Containers All Levels
Interior All Levels
Buried All Levels

*Move ups will NOT be available on Saturday between trials. However you can move up on Saturday for Sunday.
PLEASE fill out the move up form before you leave the SOTC trial on Saturday to move up the dog for the next day.*

Online Entries will be accepted for this show

NO DAY OF SHOW ENTRIES

Enter online using My Dog Entry - <https://mydogentry.com>

Online entries will be processed in order of receipt with payment. An entry will not be considered completed until payment has been rendered.

If you are not familiar with mydogentry.com, there are several instructional and information videos that include: Creating an account, Finding a Trial, Submitting and/or changing an Online Entry, Fee charges, and Creating a paper entry.

Don't like to enter online? We have reserved a limited number of runs for mailed entries.

Mailed entries will be processed independently of the online method.

DOGS ELIGIBLE TO ENTER

This trial is open to all dogs SIX (6) months of age or older that are registered with the American Kennel Club or that have AKC Limited Registration, Purebred Alternative Listing/Indefinite Listing Privileges (PAL/ILP), an AKC Canine Partners listing number or approved Foundation Stock Service (FSS) breeds are eligible to participate.

Dogs with a Purebred Alternative Listing/Indefinite Listing Privileges (PAL/ILP) or an AKC Canine Partners listing number must be spayed or neutered in order to compete.

Dogs with physical challenges (including amputees) are eligible to participate provided that, in the opinion of the judge, the dog displays no sign of physical discomfort and can safely complete the search. Deaf and blind dogs are allowed to enter. Females in season may not participate, aggressive dogs, or dogs suffering from an injury, or illness which may affect the dog's physical or mental performance may not participate. No dog shall compete if it is sutured, bandaged, or has any visible wounds.

ENTRY FEES

*An entry is defined as a single run by a single dog, in a single class. Entry fees include a \$4.50 per run AKC recording fee.

Each entry* \$28

Mail entry forms and fees to: Louise Wetzel SOTCSW
PO Box 309
Bay Shore, NY 11706

Please make checks payable to: **SOTC**

No entries will be accepted by phone, email, fax, or hand delivery. Express mail entries must include the signature waiver allowing them to be left at the secretary's address. Inquiries may be directed to Louise Wetzel at ljwscentwork@gmail.com. No entry shall be made and no entry shall be accepted which specifies any conditions as to its acceptance.

Illegal entries will not be processed and will be returned to the exhibitor. Returned checks do not constitute a valid entry and the Trial Secretary will add a \$25.00 collection fee to the amount of each returned check.

WAIT LIST INFORMATION

SOTC IS offering a wait list to fill openings created by withdrawn entries after the trial's closing date/time. A maximum of 20 entries per day will be placed on the club's wait list. All entries, including wait listed entries, must be received by the Trial Secretary prior to February 21, 2026. No entries may be withdrawn with a refund after closing on February 21, 2026. If a withdrawn entry is replaced by a wait listed entry, a full refund will be issued for the withdrawn entry. Any wait listed entry that does not move off the wait list into the trial will receive a full refund.

STAGING AREA, HANDLER'S BRIEFING, AND WARM-UP INFORMATION

Staging Area will be out of view of search area(s). Staging area will include warm-up and waiting area, as well as the secretary table for check-ins and posting of running order and results.

The **Handler's Briefing** will take place in view of the search area prior to the start of each class, after the hide(s) have been set and after the Demo Dog has run. In the Handler's Briefing the judge will explain if there's an off-leash option, number of hides, maximum height of hides and maximum time for the search. NO DOGS are to be present during the Handler's Briefing.

A **warm-up area** will be available consisting of ONE marked container of each odor being tested at the trial and may also consist of blanks containers. Exhibitors should limit their warm-up to (2) two minutes or less. The warm-up area is to be used exclusively for warming up the handler-dog team prior to their run, or for recovery after the run. The warm-up area is not for training or relieving of the dog.

SEARCH AREA AND RING CONDITIONS

Search areas may be of any shape, and of the size specified in the Regulations for each class.

Search Area Conditions. Searches may be indoors, on matted, carpeted, or tiled surfaces, or outdoors on grass, gravel, earth, concrete, or asphalt surfaces.

ADDITIONAL SITE INFORMATION

Trial Site. It is not appropriate to visit the trial location prior to the trial date. Many search locations are real-life environments and such visits may risk the host losing the opportunity to use the location in the future.

Possession of Odors and Training. Chapter 5. Section 26 of the Scent Work Regulations state "No person other than those engaged in the administration of a trial shall be in possession of any target odor when on the trial grounds. There shall be no training on the grounds of the AKC Scent Work trial, other than the designated warm-up area".

Spectator Area. Due to covid conditions, spectators may not observe indoor portion of the trial. Any person not handling a dog in the current class, or any person who has already completed their run in the class may choose to watch the search from the spectator area. Handlers may not watch other exhibitors from their class prior to their run except in the case of Handler Discrimination classes. No one outside the search area may assist the handler or disclose the location of the hide. Spectators who intentionally or unintentionally give aid to a team may be ask to leave the area by the judge. Spectators are forbidden to discuss details of the search until the completion of the class.

Crating space will NOT be available. Please be prepared to work out of your vehicle. SOTC and the Cerebral Palsy Association of Nassau County Inc. will not be responsible for any lost or damaged items left at the show site.

Exhibitors are responsible for cleaning up after their dog(s). Any exhibitor failing to do so may be excused without benefit of refund if the Event Committee deems the exhibitor to be in violation of this requirement. Cleaning supplies and disposal sites will be available at various locations around the show grounds.

RIBBONS, AWARDS, AND PRIZES

Placement rosettes and qualifying ribbons will be awarded in each class as follows:

First Place..... Blue
Second Place..... Red
Third Place..... Yellow
Fourth Place..... White
Qualifying Score..... Dark Green

A **New Title Rosette or Medallion** will be awarded to all dog and handler teams finishing an element or level title. Special ribbons awarded for Masters level element and new titles.

All exhibitors should obtain a copy of the Regulations for Scent Work, by downloading them here: <http://images.akc.org/pdf/rulebooks/RSW001.pdf>

NOTICE TO EXHIBITORS

SAFETY, BEHAVIOR and LIABILITY

The safety of the dog is our primary concern. By entering this trial, exhibitors acknowledge that they are familiar with the rules and regulations of this sport, and that their dogs are familiar with and able to perform all searches safely. **It is expressly understood** that exhibitors alone are responsible for the behavior of their dogs and/or children. Any exhibitor whose dogs and/or children create an unnecessary disturbance or repeatedly engage in unsafe or disruptive behavior may, at the discretion of the trial committee, be asked to leave the show site. In such case, no refund of any fees paid will be made. SOTC, and its agents, employees, etc., will assume no responsibilities for any loss, damage or injury sustained by exhibitors or handlers, or to any of their dogs or property and further assumes no responsibility for injury to children. SOTC reserves the right to decline entries for cause and may remove any dog on account of aggression. No one shall have any recourse or claim against the SOTC or any official thereof.

Collars, Leashes and Harnesses. During searches, dogs must wear a properly fitted collar or harness approved by the judge. A wearable camera such as a Go Pro may be mounted to the dog's harness, if desired. Leashes may be of any length and/or retractable. The leash should be made of plain, pliable material.

All dogs must be on leash at all times, and retractable leashes may not be used when on trial grounds (except during judged searches). Dogs must enter and exit the search area with the leash attached to the collar or harness, including when waiting in the search area before and after the search. An off-leash option may be offered at the discretion of the judge, only if the area is completely enclosed.

REFUNDS No entry fee will be refunded if the trial cannot open or be completed by reason of riots, civil disturbances, fire, and act of God, public emergency, act of a public enemy, or any other cause beyond the control of the organizing committee. No entry fee will be refunded in the event a dog is absent, disqualified, excused, or barred from competition by action of the Event Committee. Entries withdrawn for any reason after closing date and time are not eligible for a refund unless their entry is replaced by a wait-listed entry (except for bitches in season).

RINGSIDE Judges **are not required** to wait for dogs. The Owner of each dog is solely responsible for having it ready at the search area when it is to be judged. The Club has no responsibility to provide service through a public address system or stewards or runners for the purpose of calling or locating dogs that are not brought into the ring when required.

EXHIBITOR CHECK-IN: At check-in you will receive your armband number and an event catalog. Once the time and location for check-in is determined all exhibitors will be notified by email.

Exhibitors MUST check-in EACH day they are entered.

Claims will be arbitrated as set forth on the Official AKC Entry Form for this event.

"Exhibitors should follow their veterinarian's recommendation to assure their dogs are free of internal and external parasites, any communicable diseases, and have appropriate vaccinations." Additionally, clubs should include any specific local or state health requirements; for example, proof of rabies vaccination.

VETERINARIAN ON CALL

Veterinary Emergency Group

204B Glen Cove Road

Carle Place, NY 11514

516-530-7230

EMERGENCY SERVICES

Fire/ Ambulance/Police- Nassau County - 911

HOTEL INFORMATION

Rates & Pet Policies Change. Please call for current availability, rates & pet policy of the hotel. Deposits may be required.

MOTELS - Call to check on dog acceptance
La Quinta, Garden City, NY (516) 705-9000
Hampton Inn, Garden City, NY (516) 227-2720
Hilton Garden Inn Melville, Plainview NY 516-755-5552
Homewood Suites, Carle Place, NY (516) 747-0230
Viana Hotel, Westbury, NY (888) 838-8306

No overnight parking for RV's on the show site.

DIRECTIONS TO THE TRIAL SITE

DIRECTIONS TO TEST SITE

From the East: Sunrise Highway to exit 46 to Southern State Parkway West, take exit 23 for Meadowbrook Road

From the Southwest: Belt Parkway to Southern State Parkway East, take exit 23 for Meadowbrook Road

From the Northwest: I-495 East, take exit 22A-E for Grand Central Parkway, continue onto Northern State Parkway, take exit 31A for Meadowbrook State Parkway South, take exit M6 E for Southern State Parkway East, take exit 23 for Meadowbrook Road



Official Entry Form
Suffolk Obedience Training Club March 7 & 8, 2026

	Container	Interior	Exterior	Buried
Trial #1 Saturday 3/7/2026 2026002305	<input type="checkbox"/> Novice A <input type="checkbox"/> Novice B <input type="checkbox"/> Advance <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent <input type="checkbox"/> Master	<input type="checkbox"/> Novice A <input type="checkbox"/> Novice B <input type="checkbox"/> Advanced <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent <input type="checkbox"/> Master	<input type="checkbox"/> Novice A <input type="checkbox"/> Novice B <input type="checkbox"/> Advanced <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent <input type="checkbox"/> Master	<input type="checkbox"/> Novice A <input type="checkbox"/> Novice B <input type="checkbox"/> Advanced <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent <input type="checkbox"/> Master
Trial #2 Saturday 3/7/2026 2026002306	<input type="checkbox"/> Novice A <input type="checkbox"/> Novice B <input type="checkbox"/> Advance <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent <input type="checkbox"/> Master	<input type="checkbox"/> Novice A <input type="checkbox"/> Novice B <input type="checkbox"/> Advanced <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent <input type="checkbox"/> Master	<input type="checkbox"/> Novice A <input type="checkbox"/> Novice B <input type="checkbox"/> Advanced <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent <input type="checkbox"/> Master	<input type="checkbox"/> Novice A <input type="checkbox"/> Novice B <input type="checkbox"/> Advanced <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent <input type="checkbox"/> Master
Trial #1 Sunday 3/8/2026 2026002309	<input type="checkbox"/> Novice A <input type="checkbox"/> Novice B <input type="checkbox"/> Advance <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent <input type="checkbox"/> Master	<input type="checkbox"/> Novice A <input type="checkbox"/> Novice B <input type="checkbox"/> Advanced <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent <input type="checkbox"/> Master	<input type="checkbox"/> Novice A <input type="checkbox"/> Novice B <input type="checkbox"/> Advanced <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent <input type="checkbox"/> Master	<input type="checkbox"/> Novice A <input type="checkbox"/> Novice B <input type="checkbox"/> Advanced <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent <input type="checkbox"/> Master
Trial #2 Sunday 3/8/2026 2026002310	<input type="checkbox"/> Novice A <input type="checkbox"/> Novice B <input type="checkbox"/> Advance <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent <input type="checkbox"/> Master	<input type="checkbox"/> Novice A <input type="checkbox"/> Novice B <input type="checkbox"/> Advanced <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent <input type="checkbox"/> Master	<input type="checkbox"/> Novice A <input type="checkbox"/> Novice B <input type="checkbox"/> Advanced <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent <input type="checkbox"/> Master	<input type="checkbox"/> Novice A <input type="checkbox"/> Novice B <input type="checkbox"/> Advanced <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent <input type="checkbox"/> Master

Entry Fees: \$28 Entry per Trial (Includes \$3.50 AKC Recording fee)

of Entries (PER TRIAL) _____ x \$28 \$_____ total

Enclosed Please make checks payable SOTC

Mail entries to: Louise Wetzel, SOTC SW; PO Box 309, Bay Shore, NY 11706
Event Secretary will add a \$25.00 collection fee to the amount of each returned check.

Entries received prior to that time will be considered invalid and will be returned.

Entry Open Date – 1/6/2026, at 8 am / Entry Close Date 2/18/2026 6 pm

after which time entries cannot be submitted, accepted, canceled, or altered except as provided for in Chapter 11, Section 6 of the Dog Show Rules.

*AKC Registered Name		*Registration Number <input type="checkbox"/> AKC/PAL/ILP/CP Foreign	
*Call name	*Date of birth	*Sex	
*Breed		Variety	
Breeder			
Sire			
Dam			
*Owner			
*Owner's Address			
*City		*State	*Zip
*Telephone	*Email		
Handler name (if different from owner):		Junior Handler # (if applicable):	

Fields marked with * are REQUIRED. Remaining fields must be completed if the information is known. Be sure to read the Agreement and sign on the reverse. No form will be processed without your signature! AKC Rules, Regulations, Policies and Guidelines are available on the American Kennel Club Web site, www.akc.org

AGREEMENT

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. 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 any additional rules and regulations appearing in the premium list of this event and entry form and any decision made in accord with them. I (we) agree that the club holding this event has the right to refuse this entry for cause which the club shall deem sufficient. I (we) certify and represent that the dog entered is not a hazard to persons or other dogs. 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 of 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 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, 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 person. I (we) agree that the determination of whether the injury is serious shall be made by the event veterinarian and is binding on me (us). 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 THIS 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.

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

SIGN HERE

X: _____

Phone

#: _____

Email: _____

In case of Emergency – Name: _____

Phone #: _____