

**DOTCORN**

**FAST CAT EVENT**

**June 6 and 7, 2026**

**2019 Risser Road, Canandaigua, NY**

Thank you for entering the DOTCORN 2026 FAST CAT event. We are looking forward to seeing you there.

**There is important information in this welcome letter, please read it carefully.**

**LOCATION:** The event is at 2019 Risser Road, Canandaigua, NY. This is a private residence on multiple acres in the farmland north of the Canandaigua. There is a single lane driveway on to the property. The driveway goes past the house and bears slightly left past the larger barn and shed. Follow the markers bearing right after the shed and park in the large field ahead. **Please watch for others coming up or down the drive.** You will not be able to see cars at the top of the drive as you turn in. If a car is coming down the drive, please back out to the road or pull over the grassy areas next to the drive IF the areas are not wet. If you are near the house you may be able to pull into the area by the garage. Someone will be near that area to assist people. Please be patient and take turns when needed. Please follow the parking sign to the parking area.

**There are 2 events at this site this weekend – FAST CAT and Barn Hunt. PLEASE watch for cars coming and leaving. You will need to share the drive. The Barn Hunt parking lot is at the back area of the field where FAST CAT parks. There is plenty of room for everyone but you need to watch more carefully as you drive in or out of the parking areas. We do ask that unless you are staying to help a friend or volunteered to help at FAST CAT or are attending the Barn Hunt event that you leave soon after you have completed your runs.**

**PARKING:** You will be parking in an open field. There is plenty of space. Please be courteous to others and watch for people and dogs moving in the parking area. Please do not leave your unattended vehicle running. Crating will be from your car. Do bring fans, shades and other items that will help keep your dog(s) and you cool for the time that you will be at the event. **PLEASE** watch for people and dogs moving about in the parking area. When you are ready to leave, you will be following the same path that you used to enter the parking lot. This will take you back to the driveway. **DO NOT PARK ANYWHERE ELSE ON THE PROPERTY.**

**ARRIVAL:** Check in for your one-hour time block will start no sooner than 15 minutes before your time. For example, if you are in the 11am to noon time block, the check-in would start at approximately 10:45. We want to let the people in the previous time block finish both of their dog(s)'s runs before the next group begins their runs. **PLEASE** come for the time block shown on your confirmation email. If you arrive very early you will have to wait for your time block.

**CHECK-IN – Check in will start at approximately 8:45 AM or as soon as the committee has finished running their dogs – whichever is earlier. The last check-in will be at approximately 2:45 pm for the last runs of the 2pm to 3pm time block.**

Your dog will be evaluated for fitness to run at check-in before **each** run. You will be asked to trot your dog a short distance and to wipe your female to show that she is not in season. The check-in must take place before any wraps are put on your dog. **You will need to check -in before each run.** Once each check-in is completed you will be given a card. The card is information for the person (the “gate”) who will be close to the start area of the line.

**LINING UP TO RUN:** You can line up to run your dog anytime after you check in. There is no specific run order for each time block. Please use a 6 foot leash or shorter to bring your dog to the line up area. If you signed up for two runs you will do both during your time block. Please make sure that you have someone to either release or catch your dog before you line up. There may or may not be volunteers available to release your dog for you. Whoever is catching the dog (we suggest your dog's favorite person) at the finish must be down at the catch area (end of the course) prior to your dog

going to the start. If your catch person is not ready, you will be asked to let the next person go before you. **BRING 2 leashes - Make sure that your catch person has a leash before he/she goes to the catch area.**

PLEASE make sure to give dogs and people in line **SPACE**. FAST CAT is a very energizing sport for some dogs, please give every dog room - 8 feet is suggested. Please keep your dog on short leashes for better control. **No flexi leashes or long lines in the parking lot, walking areas or used for the start or catch area.**

**CATCH AREA** -You may **not** use toys, treats, flags, leashes, whistles (mechanical or human) or noise making devices to entice your dog to run. You cannot recall your dog from the start box/ start line. You can yell, move, run in the catch area to get your dog's attention. Please leash your dog as quickly as possible and leave the catch area.

There will be a path marked by cones or rope to walk down to and back from the catch area. This walkway is purposefully a bit away from the course so that dogs running the course are not distracted by people and dogs walking close to the course.

**KEEP THE SITE CLEAN:** Pick up after your dogs. There will be poop buckets spread throughout the parking and walking areas, please use them. Do not allow your dogs to pee on the young trees, cones, tables, tent legs, flowers, etc.. Anyone caught not picking up after their dog or allowing their dog to pee on tables, tents, etc. will be excused from the remainder of the trials with no refund.

**WEATHER:** Right now, it looks like the weekend will be in the 70s with no rain. But the grass in the parking lot may be wet in the morning. We will run if it does rain so long as there is not a significant downpour and/or there is no lightning in the area. If needed, we will pause the event and restart once the weather allows and we assess the course to be safe. Please remember your sunscreen and bring plenty of water for you and your dogs. A dog pool for cooling off will be available near the parking lot.

**RIBBONS** - The ribbons for your runs will be available at a desk near the path you will use to return to the parking lot after your run and the title ribbons will be near the Check -in table. Please expect to wait a minute or two to get your ribbon with the time information sticker. The title ribbons are self-serve at the check-in desk. There will be a photo opportunity area near the parking lot. We hope you will stop and take some great pictures of your dog.

**PHOTOGRAPHER:** We are very pleased to have Charlotte Lehman, Charlotte with Dogs as the photographer again this year. You can see her work at [charlottewithdogs.pixieset.com](http://charlottewithdogs.pixieset.com). She had photos available for viewing very quickly last year. Generally, she will be in the catch area. She will not interfere with your dog's run or catching the dog. She will not help you catch the dog. If you do not want her in the catch area, or if you know that your dog will be aggressive with a strange person, simply tell her and she will leave the area for your dog's run. You will need to mention that for each run.

**SCHEDULED LUNCH BREAK:** There is a scheduled lunch break from noon to 1 PM. Check in for the last morning run will be @11:45. There will be no one available to check- in the 1 pm to 2 pm time block participants before 12:50 PM.

**NOISE:** You may hear gun shots at this event as a neighbor has set up a shooting target on their own property. While the neighbor is being asked not to shoot during the hours of the event, we cannot guarantee that there will not be shooting. The shooting is sporadic for approximately half an hour one day of the weekend. There is no certain day or time that the shooting occurs. In addition, there is a Gun Club about a mile away. Depending on the wind you may hear some gun shots.

**VOLUNTEERS:** We appreciate our volunteers. There will be water, snacks, and lunch available for the volunteers. Please come to the check in desk when you arrive. If you did not volunteer yet but would like to help, please email Laurel Baglia – [navaroneiws@gmail.com](mailto:navaroneiws@gmail.com) - or stop by the Check-in desk, we can always use people to help with releasing dogs, driving people to the catch area in the golf cart and giving the people in the catch area and gate area needed breaks. Thank you in advance.

**VETERINARY SERVICES: Call before you go!!!**

Rochester Emergency Veterinary Services – 445 West Commercial Street, East Rochester, NY 585-775-0020

Ark Veterinary Hospital – 35 Finn Road, Henrietta NY -585-632-4587

**DIRECTIONS:**

**2019 Risser Road, Canandaigua, New York 14424.**

This is a residential/farm site north of the City of Canandaigua. Look for the stacks of horseshoes at the end of the driveway. Your GPS may take you to the neighbor's driveway.

From the NYS Thruway (WEST) Take Exit 44 (Canandaigua) follow signs to Route 332 – South. Take Route 332 to Route 96. Turn left on Route 96. Take your 3rd right onto Payne Road. Cross 2 intersections and Payne Road becomes Risser Road. The driveway will be on your left.

From the NYS Thruway (EAST) Take Exit 43 (Manchester) Turn right onto Route 21. Turn right onto Route 96. Take your 5<sup>th</sup> left onto Payne Road. Cross 2 intersections and Payne Road becomes Risser Road. The driveway will be on your left.

From the North: Take Route 21 South. Turn Right onto Route 96. Take your 5<sup>th</sup> left onto Payne Road. Cross 2 intersections and Payne Road becomes Risser Road. Driveway will be on your left.

From the South: Take Main Street (Route 332) north through Canandaigua. Turn right on North St. Stay straight onto Macedon Road. Make a slight left onto Risser Road. Driveway will be on your right.

**NEED TO REACH US:**

**Trial Secretary – Pat Roach – [proactive@rochester.rr.com](mailto:proactive@rochester.rr.com) - 585-857-3402.** The email address in the premium was misspelled. This is the correct email address. Once the trial begins I will only be able to look at messages or texts periodically.

Trial Chair – Laurel Baglia- [navaroneiws@gmail.com](mailto:navaroneiws@gmail.com)

**Remember you are coming with the best dog(s), and you are leaving with best dog(s) – Have fun!!**

Looking forward to seeing you there.

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