

American Whippet Club

39th National Specialty Show



April 11 - 18, 2026

Red Lion Pasco Airport & Conference Center
2525 N 20th Ave || Pasco, WA 99301

AKC
NOHS
National Owner-Handled Series



NOTICE TO EXHIBITORS – ALL EVENTS



The American Kennel Club Rules and Regulations will govern this Show and Exhibitors must make themselves familiar with the agreement of the American Kennel Club, referred to on the reverse side of the entry blanks that accompany this Show Premium List. The American Kennel Club will collect the following at every Licensed or Member club event: An AKC Recording and Service Fee of \$4.50 for each entry. An AKC Event Service Fee of \$3.00 per entry will be required for each dog entered at any 4 & Under 6 Months Puppy and Open Show. All Recording and Event Service Fees are paid to the American Kennel Club. (There is no Recording Fee or Event Service Fee for Junior Showmanship, Sweepstakes, Futurities, Brace/Team, Multi-Dog Classes, or Special Attractions.)

- No Entry will be accepted which specifies any condition as to its acceptance. Telegraph, e-mail and unsigned entries cannot be accepted and will be returned. Entries not on Official AKC Entry Forms and Photocopies of Entry Forms without Agreement and Rules on reverse side are NOT ACCEPTABLE. The Club and/or Baray Events assumes no responsibility for wrong or incomplete information given on the entry blank by the owner or the owner's agent. RESPONSIBILITY FOR COMPLETENESS OF ENTRY RESTS SOLELY WITH ENTRANT.
- RETURNED CHECKS DO NOT CONSTITUTE A VALID ENTRY FEE. BaRay Events will add a \$30.00 collection fee to the amount of each returned check. We will not re-process checks. The exhibitor will be contacted & required to send a money order for the original amount PLUS the \$30.00 NSF fee. Subsequent returned checks from same person may result in their being put on a CASH ONLY BASIS.
- REFUNDS for cancellations due to judge change or cancellations made prior to entries closing will be mailed by the Club to said Exhibitor or Agent AFTER THE SHOW. An administrative fee of \$5.00 will be withheld from all refunds for entries cancelled prior to the closing of entries.
- Females in season are not permitted to compete in Obedience or Rally Trials. If a female is withdrawn from competition because it came into season and the Superintendent is notified no later than one half hour prior to the start of the first class in the trial, the Club is required to refund the entry fee. The Clubs may retain a processing fee and must publish this information in the premium. Clubs may determine the documentation, if any that is required to confirm the female is in season. This shall be stated in the premium. Note: No fee is paid to the AKC for females in season who are withdrawn.
- FAX ENTRIES – Fax entries will not be accepted.
- Entry fees shall NOT be refunded in the event that a dog is absent, disqualified, sick, lame, excused by the Judge or Veterinarian, or barred from competition by action of the Show Committee, or because it has been entered incorrectly. There is no refund for DUPLICATE ENTRIES or OVERPAYMENTS. If, because of riots, civil disturbances or other acts beyond the control of the management it is impossible to open, or to complete the Show NO REFUND will be made. To find out about any AKC event cancellations call the AKC Event Cancellation Hotline 877-252-3229.
- Please note: Any hotel or motel listed in the premium list is subject to Event Committee Rules. We expect our exhibitors to be responsible guests. A report that an exhibitor at this show has abused hotel or motel property during this weekend may result in disciplinary action. Clubs reserve the right to decline future entries from the offending party in accordance with the provisions of Ch. 11, Sec. 15 of the Rules Applying to Dog Shows.
- Dogs need be present only for scheduled judging and will be released if not needed for further judging. Dogs must be ready for judging. Neither the club nor its Superintendent will be responsible or obligated to furnish any service for notifying exhibitors or their agents of Breed or Class Judging. Judges need not wait for any dog holding up a class. Owners or agents alone are responsible for the presence of their dogs in the rings.
- Only dogs eligible for these shows will be admitted into show area. There is no provision for unentered dogs.
- LOSS OR DAMAGE – The Show Committee will use due care and diligence for the welfare of dogs and exhibitors, but will not be responsible for, or assume any liability in the event of any accident or misfortune, to either dogs or exhibitors participating in these Shows. The welfare of an Exhibitor's child is assumed to be the responsibility of the Exhibitor. It is distinctly understood that Exhibitors will exercise control and restraint over their children.
- 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 health requirements; for example proof of rabies vaccination.
- PUBLICATION RIGHTS – By entering this show, all owners, handlers, breeders and kennels agree that all rights to televise, videotape, photograph, advertise, promote and publicize or otherwise exploit this show, or the persons or animals participating in it or the results of the competition before, during or after the event, shall belong solely to The American Kennel Club and their respective assigns, including the use of the names, likenesses or biographical matter of all dogs, owners, handlers, breeders and kennels participating in the show and no such owner, handler, breeder or kennel shall allow any other party to make commercial use of any videotape or photograph of any person or animal participating in this competition.

ENTER ONLINE: <http://www.BaRayEvents.com>

ENTRIES CLOSE WEDNESDAY NOON (PDT) MARCH 11, 2026

After which time entries cannot be accepted, cancelled, altered or substituted except as provided for in Chapter 11, Section 6 of the Dog Show Rules, and Chapter 1, Section 16 of the Obedience Regulations.

Premium List
American Whippet Club
39th National Specialty Show



**Futurity, Maturity, Veteran Sweepstakes,
Obedience, Rally, Jr. Showmanship & National Owner-Handled Series with
Lure Coursing, Agility, and Scent Work Trials**
<https://national.americanwhippetclub.org/>

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Red Lion Pasco Airport & Conference Center, 2625 N 20th Ave || Pasco, WA 99301

#2026074704 Obedience • #2026074705 Parent Specialty, Junior Showmanship

#2026074706 Rally • #2026074719 Futurity/Maturity and #2026074720 Veteran Sweepstakes
Indoors • Unbenched • American Kennel Club Member • Show Hours: 7:00AM-10:00PM each day.



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CERTIFICATION Permission has been granted by the
American Kennel Club for the holding of this event
under the American Kennel Club rules and regulations.

SHEILA H. GOFFE, Executive Secretary



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Tentative Schedule of Events

All events and judging will be held in the Medallion Ballroom, unless otherwise indicated.

SATURDAY, APRIL 11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AWC National Specialty Agility Trial – 4 Paws DogWorks, Richland, WA • AWC National Specialty Scent Work Trial - 4 Paws DogWorks, Richland, WA • AWC National Specialty Agility Trial – 4 Paws DogWorks, Richland, WA
SUNDAY, APRIL 12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AWC National Specialty AKC Lure Coursing - Road 36 Soccer Facility, Pasco, WA • Vendor setup and ring, grooming, and crating setup
MONDAY, APRIL 13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Obedience – Bronze Ballroom • Versatility and Triathlon Conformation Judging • Health Testing (Harvest, Sage and Executive Rooms)
TUESDAY, APRIL 14	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Obedience (continued if necessary) & Rally – Bronze Ballroom • Breeders Sweepstakes to follow • Triathlon and Versatility Top 10 Presentation • Futurity & Maturity Judging • Welcome Party (Bin No. 20 Event Room) • Health Testing (Harvest, Sage and Executive Rooms)
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dog judging through Winners Dog • Non-Regular - Stud Dog, Brood Bitch, Extended Stud Dog, Extended Brood Bitch, Brace and Team • Bo Bengtson Memorial Veteran Sweepstakes • Brown Bag Seminar - Dr. Michelle Kutzler (Design and Project Workshop Rooms) • Afternoon Social with Refreshments (Bin No. 20 Event Room) • Canine Good Citizen and Trick Dog testing (location TBD) • Health Testing (Harvest, Sage and Executive Rooms) • Handling Seminar – Brad Briscoe
THURSDAY, APRIL 16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AWC Annual Meeting - AM, time to be announced • Bitch Judging begins – AM, time to be announced • Parade of Honors • Altered Competition • Afternoon Social with Refreshments (Bin No. 20 Event Room) • Top Twenty Competition • NOHS Top 15 Presentation • Canine Good Citizen and Trick Dog testing (location TBD) • Health Testing (Harvest, Sage and Executive Rooms)
FRIDAY, APRIL 17	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bitch Judging through Winners Bitch • All Veteran, Racing and Lure Coursing classes • Afternoon Social with Refreshments (Bin No. 20 Event Room) • Parade of Rescues • Judges Education • Juniors Seminar
SATURDAY, APRIL 18	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Junior Showmanship Competition • Best of Breed Judging (see page 8 for Judging Process) • Judges' Education and Ringside Mentoring • Awards Banquet
SUNDAY, APRIL 19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WRA Race Meet – Benton County Fairgrounds, Kennewick, WA

More detailed information will be in the judging program.

OFFICERS OF THE AMERICAN WHIPPET CLUB

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SHOW COMMITTEE

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LOCAL COMMITTEE MEMBERS

- **Chief Stewards:** Christine and Steve Heath
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- **Show Photographer:** Elaine Rushton
www.photosbyelaine.com
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creekwalkerphotography@gmail.com
- **Agility:** Karen Comer
- **Art Show:** Caroline Wells Cope
- **Banquet:** Sue Vernon & Laura Taylor
- **Catalog Advertising:** Laura Baratta
- **Catalog Pre-Order:** Cheryl Grubaugh
- **FTS AKC/ASFA:** Beth Levine
- **Grooming:** Terri Erickson & Helen Sause
- **Grounds:** Donna O'Toole
- **Health Clinics:** Lisa Costello
- **Hospitality:** D'Gaye Findlay & Ann Dickerson
- **Judges Education:** David Samuelson
- **Juniors Coordinator:** Terri Erickson
- **Logowear Items:** Reyna Hull Watson
- **Lure Coursing:** Charles Roberts
- **NOHS Top 15:** Alice VandenBussche

- **Obedience:** Melanie Berger
- **Parade of Honors:** Deana Jaffe
- **Premium List:** Cydney Petit
- **Rally:** Jessica Harris
- **Raffle:** Cheryl Grubaugh
- **Rainbow Bridge:** Alice VandenBussche & Heidi Hammack
- **RV Parking:** Terri Erickson
- **Social Media:** Erin McNeill
- **Scent Work:** Sue Pisias
- **Top Twenty:** Gail Boyd
- **Triathlon/Versatility:** Brad Briscoe & Beth Levine
- **Trick Dog/CGC:** Helen Sause
- **Trophy Plates/Rosettes:** Rhonda Gifford
- **Trophy Sponsorship:** Laura Taylor
- **Vendors:** Kim Newell
- **Website:** Jennifer Beach-Buda
- **Welcome Bags:** Carol West
- **Welcome Party:** Brad Briscoe
- **Willow Award:** Patience Renzulli
- **WRAP Events:** Michelle Knoerzer

JUDGES

All Specialty Classes

Mary Dukes [99597] Marshfield, NC

Futurity/Maturity

Kim Pritchard Ontario CAN

Veteran Sweepstakes

Sue Vernon Fallbrook, CA

Brood Bitch, Stud Dog, Extended Stud Dog & Brood Bitch, Brace, Team

Gail Boyd [23274] Apex, NC

Junior Showmanship

Courtney Hynes-Robinson [117576]Saratoga Springs, NY

Altered Classes

Rhonda Gifford San Tan Valley, AZ

Triathlon & Versatility Conformation

Cydney Petit Taylorsville, KY

Breeder Sweepstakes

Linda Buchholz Aldergrove BC CAN

Obedience (Reg./Opt. Titling/Preferred)

Donald Rennick [19134] Lake Stevens, WA

Rally

Chip Taylor [92186] Gig Harbor, WA

Agility

Gillian Crawford [ZJ036] Tacoma, WA

Scent Work

Tracy Hill [106627] West Richland, WA

Victoria Lovejoy [102401] West Richland, WA

ASFA Lure Coursing

Justin Dannenbring [46593] Helena, MT

Claudia Miller [98859] Arvada, CO

AKC Lure Coursing

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Mary Hermon [95703] Palmer, AK

ENTRY FEES - INCLUDES AKC FEES, WHERE APPLICABLE

CONFORMATION

First Entry of each dog in Conformation \$32.00

Each additional entry of same dog, unless otherwise specified \$27.00

Puppy Class (6-9 Months & 9-12 Months) \$27.00

Bred-By-Exhibitor Puppy and Bred-By-Exhibitor Adult.....\$27.00

Junior Showmanship only or as an additional entry NO CHARGE

Stud Dog/Brood Bitch per Unit (Get/Produce must be entered in regular class) \$15.00

Extended Generations Stud Dog/Brood Bitch per Unit \$15.00

Conformation Brace per Dog (must include name of brace partner) \$15.00

Team per Dog (must include list of team members) \$8.00

Altered Class or Veteran Sweepstakes (need not be entered in another class) \$23.00

Breeder Sweepstakes (need not be entered in another class) \$23.00

Futurity/Maturity (must be entered in regular class) \$27.00

On the entry form put Futurity or Maturity as an additional class, noting
the different Futurity age division in the Additional Class blank.

OBEDIENCE

First Entry of each dog in Obedience \$32.00

Each additional entry of same dog in Obedience \$27.00

Obedience Brace per Dog (must include name of brace partner) \$15.00

RALLY

First Entry of each dog in Rally \$32.00

Each additional entry of same dog in Rally \$27.00

See General Entry Submission Guidelines, page 34.

AWC INSUFFICIENT FUNDS POLICY: Any checks to the AWC and/or Show Superintendent returned for Insufficient Funds must be paid by Money Order for the NSF amount plus bank fees. If the debt is not paid in full within 60 days of bank processing, the check writer will be unable to enter any AWC events until the debt is cleared.

AWC 2026 HOST HOTEL

Red Lion Pasco Airport & Conference Center2525 N 20th Ave || Pasco, WA 99301
Telephone Reservations: 509.547.0701.....<https://national.americanwhippetclub.org/hotel/>

We look forward to welcoming you to Pasco! Please review the requirements below.

- One night's room deposit shall be paid to confirm a reservation.
- Check in is 3:00 PM and check out time is 11:00 AM
- A dog fee of \$100 plus applicable taxes and fees will be assessed per room for any room with a dog or dogs.
- A maximum of six (6) dogs are permitted in each room. Dogs are to be crated when in guest rooms. All Crates in guest rooms are to be placed on plastic. Rooms found to house a dog that is not secured in a crate may be charged a higher pet fee.
- Any damage done to the rooms will be the responsibility of the guest who paid for the room.
- Early guest room Check-outs will be charged a (1) one-night stay.
- The bedspreads will be removed from the room. Please bring your own blanket for the beds.
- For the safety of hotel staff, all rooms must have a sign on the outside of the door to indicate dogs are occupying the room.
- The Housekeeping Staff requires that you allow cleaning daily.
- All rooms must be available for cleaning and ALL privacy signs must be removed no later than 11:00AM each day.
- Dogs MUST be on a leash when walking in hallways or any public areas of the hotel.
- No dogs allowed in the restaurant, restaurant area or bar. No dogs are allowed in or near any food service outlet. No dogs are permitted poolside.
- Designated areas will be assigned for exercising dogs, please use only these areas and clean up after all dogs. This is a self cleaning show; please clean up after yourself!
- No bathing or grooming of dogs in rooms. Offenders are subject to eviction. The use of hotel linens or towels for pets is prohibited.

Important Reminders: It is very important that we all do our best to maintain cleanliness with our dogs at the hotel. There will be designated areas for exercising your dog(s). Don't wait too long to get them out. Go to the shortest route; take baggies with you in case of an accident. Do not walk away from your dog's mess. Demand others to clean up after their dogs. Please report someone who is not observing the rules. Anyone reported for not picking up after their dog may be subjected to a bench show committee hearing and may be asked to leave the hotel.

No other breeds allowed in the ballroom during judging (except during CGC testing)

A Bench Show Committee Meeting and Hearing will be called on anyone who abuses the hotel or the grounds. The AKC will support us if we have a problem. Inform any of the following people: Brad Briscoe, Bonnie Cooley or Trisha Borland.

SHOW HOURS EACH DAY - 7:00AM TO 10:00PM PDT

Dogs are not required to be at the show until scheduled time of judging.

All dogs not needed for further judging will be excused. SHOW LOCATION WILL BE AVAILABLE TO EXHIBITORS ON SUNDAY, APRIL 12, 2026, AFTER 3:00 PM.

NO DOUBLE HANDLING WILL BE ALLOWED AT THIS SHOW!!!

DIRECTIONS TO RED LION

From Tri-Cities Airport: (3601 N 20th Ave, Pasco, WA 99301 - 0.4 mi)

1. South on 20th Ave (go .4 mi). Hotel is on the LEFT.

From South of Pasco from Hwy 84 (Vietnam Veterans Memorial Hwy - 38.7 mi)

1. Take exit 179 and follow I-82 W to US-395 N. Take exit 113 from I-82 W (go 30.9 mi)

2. Continue on US-395 (Thomas S 'Tom' Foley Mem Hwy - go 7.6 mi)

3. Take the I-182/US-12/US-395 exit toward Spokane/Walla Walla (go 0.4 mi)

4. Use the right lane to take exit 12B 20th Ave (go 0.2 mi)

5. At the next exit, use the two left lanes to turn left on N 20th Ave. The hotel will be on the right once you pass under Hwy 182.

From East of Pasco: From US-12 W, take exit 12B and turn right on N 20th Ave. The hotel will be on the right immediately following the exit

OTHER EVENTS IN SEPARATE PREMIUMS

AWC ASFA Lure Coursing Trial will be held Saturday, April 11, 2026 & AWC National Specialty **AKC Lure Coursing Trial** will be held Sunday, April 12, 2026. The facility is less than 2 miles from the host hotel. <https://national.americanwhippetclub.org/lure-coursing/>
Road 36 Soccer Facility - Road 36 and Argent Place, Pasco, WA 99301
Onsite parking available. NO onsite RV/Camping is available for Coursing.

Agility for the AWC National will take place at the AWC's whippet only agility trials on Saturday, April 11, 2026. The club will host 2 agility trials concurrently. The trial will be held at 4 Paws DogWorks in a turf 100 x 100 ring. <https://national.americanwhippetclub.org/agility/>
Additional information will be published in the separate Agility premium and will be made available on the 2026 AWC Website.
Event secretary Laurie Pechous Clark, ljclark@comcast.net
Event chair is Karen Comer, dogtorkc@aol.com

Scent Work for the AWC National will take place at the AWC's whippet only Scent Work trials on Saturday, April 11, 2026. The trial will be held at 4 Paws DogWorks.
<https://national.americanwhippetclub.org/scent-work/>
Event secretary Laurie Pechous Clark, ljclark@comcast.net
Event chair is Sue Pisias, scpisias@gmail.com

EDUCATIONAL SEMINARS

Multiple roundtable discussions and seminars will be held throughout the week. Times, topics and locations will be announced at a later date.

VENDORS

Vendors are once again invited to reserve a booth at the 2026 National. The contract and payment link will be available on the AWC website no later than 12/1/2025. Booth space is available in blocks of ten feet at \$250 each. Vendors may reserve a maximum of twenty feet until March 1, 2026. If after that date additional space is still available, vendors will be able to purchase additional space if desired.. Vendor chair: Kim Newell – kn.uoregon@gmail.com

JUNIORS SEMINAR

The seminar will be held on Friday at the conclusion of non-regular judging. More details will be made available closer to the event. This event is free to those Juniors wanting to attend but limited to 15 attendees Please contact Terri Erickson at Paragon717@me.com

EMERGENCY VETERINARIAN

Mid-Columbia Pet Emergency Services.....8913 Sandifur Pkwy, Pasco, WA 99301 • 509-547-3577
DIRECTIONS: Turn Rt onto Kingsgate Way, Turn Lt onto SR-240, Turn Rt onto ByPass Hwy, Merge onto SR-240 East toward Pasco/Kennewick, Take Exit # onto Broadmoor Blvd, Turn Rt onto Sandifur Pkwy, Turn Lt into parking lot

VETERINARY ASSISTANCE FROM AWC MEMBERS

If your dog or dogs have an injury or illness and you receive help from an exhibitor at the National Specialty who also happens to be a veterinarian, please be sure to offer that person payment for their service. The medications and supplies they bring out of their concern for our dogs, are not free! Also remember that not all of our member veterinarians are licensed to practice in the state of Washington.

EXHIBITORS PLEASE NOTE: Exhibitors should follow their Veterinarians' recommendation to assure their dogs are free of internal and external parasites, any communicable diseases and have appropriate vaccinations. Dogs found in an unsafe environment, distress or harm's way (for example: left unattended on a grooming table in a noose not attached to a safety release clip; left in a vehicle without proper ventilation) will be removed to safety. Exposing a dog to an unsafe environment, distress or harm's way is considered mistreatment and the owner will be subject to a Bench hearing and possible expulsion from the show.

GROOMING AREA AND ATTENTION EXHIBITORS

- There will be a designated area for crating and grooming in the Oak and Pine rooms across from the Medallion Ballrooms. All dogs MUST be removed from the crating area immediately after the conclusion of judging each day.
- Grooming will be in designated areas only and the Grooming area will be available after 3:00PM on Sunday, April 12, 2026.
- All electric in the grooming area is limited and shared. Do not overload wall outlets.
- Red Lion Hotel and the AWC will not be responsible for the loss of or damage to any property of any exhibitor, whether the result of accident or any other cause.
- It is also expressly understood that every dog at the show is in the care, custody, and control of its owner or handler during the time the dog is on the show premises.
- No exercise pens allowed in the grooming area.
- ALL CRATES IN GROOMING AREA MUST DISPLAY CELL PHONE NUMBER OF RESPONSIBLE PARTY.
- EXHIBITORS ARE RESPONSIBLE for all property damage caused by them at the hotel & will be charged accordingly.
- UNENTERED DOGS ARE NOT ALLOWED in the ballroom, except during CGC and Health Testing.
- This show site is handicapped accessible including parking, restrooms, and ramps.
- PLEASE TURN OFF CELL PHONES and/or PAGERS BEFORE ENTERING RINGS.
- CASH PRIZES will be paid in the ring. Prizes will be awarded to the person showing the dog who will be considered as the owner or authorized agent. The Show Superintendent, Show Secretary, and the AWC disclaim any liability for cash prizes. All trophies must be claimed at the show. They will not be mailed to the winners. All unclaimed trophies become the property of the American Whippet Club.

PHOTOGRAPHY

The American Whippet Club has contracted with Elaine Rushton for win photos, and David Leer of CreekWalker Photography for lure coursing photos for the AWC National Specialty held in Pasco and Richland, Washington, April 11-18, 2026.

Elaine Rushton's contact information is photosbyelaine@msn.com

David Leer's contact information is creekwalkerphotography@gmail.com

Any other professional photographers taking candid photographs intended for sale shall (1) be a vendor authorized by the AWC, (2) pay a required \$200.00 AWC vendor fee, (3) wear the 2025 AWC National Photographer Pass during photography, and (4) NOT take photographs in the win photo area, at the lure coursing trials or during the AWC Top Twenty Event.

The AWC reserves the right to bar any offending photographer from a specific event until its conclusion if the sale of photography is determined by the National and Show Chairs to be the intent of the photographer and such a violation may lead to a bench hearing by the Show Committee. Personal cameras and cell phone photography are (1) permitted only if there is no intent to sell photos taken at any time during or after the National and (2) absolutely not permitted in the win photo area. Non-event photography in and around the hotel is permitted by any photographer, professional or personal.



RV PARKING

Host Hotel RV parking for a limited number (25) of RV/Motorhomes is available. Dry camping only, with no hookups available. These must be booked through the AWC National website for RV Parking. Terri Erickson is in charge and can be contacted by email paragon717@me.com (submit email with subject line: 2026 AWC RV PARKING) or call 253-334-0499 .

QUIET TIMES (NO GENERATORS) between 11:00 pm and 5:50 am Pacific Time.

<https://national.americanwhippetclub.org/rv-parking/>

Open: January 7, 2026

Deadline: March 11, 2026. No refunds will be given after this deadline

To get on the waiting list or for more information contact RV Parking Chair: Terri Erickson, paragon717@me.com

Additional RV parking can be made at;

Horn Rapids RV Resort & Mini Mart, 2640 Kingsgate Way, Richland, WA 99354.....509-375-9913

Pasco/Tri-Cities KOA Journey, 8801 Saint Thomas Drive, Pasco, WA 99301.....877-894-1357

PRIVATE EXERCISE PENS

Exercise pens are only allowed in approved areas.

DAILY PARKING

There is plenty of free parking available. Any camper or tow behind that will be set up for the week will need to have an RV space as listed above. Free DAY-OF-SHOW parking for all cars, vans and trucks is available around the Hotel. You may not block off or reserve parking space anywhere on hotel grounds.

ADDITIONAL ACCOMODATIONS

MAKE RESERVATIONS EARLY! We do not guarantee that dogs are accepted at any of these hotels. Check with motels/hotels regarding current rates and dog policy when making reservations. Some restrictions may apply.

Riverfront Hotel, SureStay Collection.....50 Comstock St., Richland, WA • 509-946-4661

Holiday Inn Richland on the River.....802 George Washington Way, Richland, WA • 509-946-7611

TownePlace Suites by Marriott.....591 Columbia Point Dr., Richland, WA • 509-943-9800

ALASKA AIRLINES DISCOUNT

AWC is pleased to announce a fare discount available to all Whippet friends and fanciers traveling to the National on Alaska Airlines! Please visit the AWC National Specialty website for more information: <https://national.americanwhippetclub.org/alaska-airlines-discount/>

Meeting Fare Rules:

- Your group is entitled to a 7% discount off Alaska Airlines published fares (except companion and other promotional fares).
- You may book and ticket on the blackout dates but no discount will apply.
- Any change or cancellation after ticketing is subject to a service charge. All fare rules and additional blackout dates of the fare apply.
- All tickets must be issued online or by the Alaska Airlines Group desk.
- A \$15.00 service fee will apply to any tickets issued by the Group Desk.
- Discount valid on all flights marketed by Alaska Airlines and operated by Alaska Airlines, Hawaiian Airlines, Horizon Air or SkyWest. Not valid on sub-contracted code share flights.

The AKC is committed to creating a safe and respectful sport environment for all. If you need to talk to someone, or need help, please call 800.656.HOPE (National Sexual Assault Hotline) or text HOME to 741-741 for free, 24/7, confidential services from trained crisis counselors.

CLASSIFICATION

REGULAR CLASSES - DIVIDED BY SEX

Puppy (6 mos. & under 9 mos.)	Puppy (9 mos. & under 12 mos.)
12 mos. & under 15 mos.	15 mos. & under 18 mos.
Novice	Amateur-Owner-Handler
Bred-by-Exhibitor Puppy, 6-12 mos.	Bred-By-Exhibitor Adult, 12 mos. & older
American Bred	Open
Winners	Best of Breed Competition

Reserve Winners Dog and Reserve Winners Bitch will be awarded a three-point major, provided the criteria set forth in Chapter 16, Section 1 of the Rules Applying to Dog Shows is met.

NON REGULAR CLASSES INVOLVING SINGLE ENTRIES

Because WINNERS of these classes will compete for Best of Breed, all entrants MUST also meet ALL American Kennel Club requirements for Non-Regular Classes involving single dog entries. The following classes are divided by sex.

VETERAN CLASS: Classes divided, 7-10 years, 10-12 years, 12 years & older. Veteran class entrants at an independent specialty may be altered. All Veterans that are shown will receive a commemorative plate.

RACING CLASS: Must have achieved one of the following titles: ARX, RCH, WRCH, ORC

LURE COURSING CLASS: Must have earned ASFA Fch or AKC FC.

NON-REGULAR CLASSES, INVOLVING MULTIPLE ENTRIES

As the judge's decision in the following classes is based on the merits of more than one dog or bitch, none of the dogs or bitches judged first in these classes will be eligible to compete for Best of Breed by virtue of having won in these classes.

STUD DOG CLASS AND BROOD BITCH CLASS: Each entry is allowed two get. The merits of the Stud Dog or Brood Bitch are not considered in the placement of the entry. It is the quality of the get that forms the basis for the judge's decision. All get must be examined and gaited. The Stud Dog or Brood Bitch must also be examined to determine if there is a condition that would require disqualification or excusal under the Rules, AKC policy or the breed standard. All get must be entered in a regular class in order to be eligible to compete in the Stud Dog or Brood Bitch Class. Handlers of the Stud Dog or Brood Bitch, and all get being exhibited, must wear armbands. Ch. 11, Sec. 8 of the "Rules Applying to Dog Shows" provides that "a castrated male may be entered as a Stud Dog in the Stud Dog Class and a spayed bitch may be entered as a Brood Bitch in the Brood Bitch Class." The Stud Dog or Brood Bitch MUST BE PRESENT IN THE RING.

EXTENDED GENERATIONS STUD DOG CLASS AND BROOD BITCH CLASS: Their Get, one of their Get's Get, and if desired, one of their Get's Get's Get. Class must be comprised of a minimum of three successive generations and a maximum of four successive generations with a total entry of no more than three (3) get. Owner of the Stud Dog need not necessarily be the owner of the Get. The Stud Dog or Brood Bitch and Get MUST BE PRESENT IN THE RING.

BRACE CLASS: Two dogs that are similar in appearance, performing in unison, and presented by a maximum of two handlers. Both dogs competing in Brace competition must have at least one common owner. The Dogs comprising a Brace MUST be named at the time of entry. Entry fee for Brace Class as a UNIT is \$30.00 (\$15.00 per dog). In making entries for "Brace Class Only" full particulars MUST be given for each dog on individual entry forms. An entry form for a dog entered in a Regular Class or for "Best of Breed Competition" and entered as part of a Brace MUST be marked accordingly in the space provided for Additional Classes, "Brace Class." If more than one Brace is entered by same owner, dogs comprising EACH BRACE must be designated as "Brace 1", "Brace 2," etc.

TEAM CLASS: Four of the same recognized breed or variety that are similar in appearance, performing in unison and presented by a maximum of four handlers. All dogs competing in Team competition must have at least one common owner. If more than one Team is entered by the same owner, the dogs comprising each Team must be so designated. "Team 1" "Team 2", etc. Entry fee for Team Class is \$8.00 per dog. (\$32.00 per Unit).

SPECIAL RECOGNITION

AWARD OF MERIT

Often at a National Specialty, the number of quality dogs in competition far exceeds the number of top awards available. The judge must choose only one Best of Breed and one Best of Opposite Sex. An Award of Merit acknowledges that the animal was under consideration for Best of Breed or Best of Opposite Sex. The judge is indicating their recognition of an exceptional animal who could, on another day, merit a top award. The American Whippet Club allows for ten Awards of Merit to be presented in addition to Best of Breed and Best of Opposite Sex. The judge may, at their discretion, award all or none of the Rosettes. Receiving an Award of Merit is indeed a significant honor.

BEST BRED-BY EXHIBITOR, BEST PUPPY & BEST VETERAN: Eligibility for Best Bred-by Exhibitor, Best Puppy, Best Veteran competitions is predicated upon entry into the following class(es) and all divisions of:

- Best Bred-By Exhibitor – the Bred-by-Exhibitor class including the Bred-by-Exhibitor Puppy and Bred-by-Exhibitor Adult age divisions
- Best Puppy – any class limited to dogs six months and older and under 12 months of age; 6-9 Puppy, 9-12 Puppy, and Bred-by-Exhibitor Puppy
- Best Veteran – any non-regular Veteran Class

For Best Bred-By Exhibitor, the eligibility criteria involving the individual handling the dog applies only to the original class entered and all competition specific to the special attraction. There are no restrictions as to who may handle the dog in any subsequent classes it may become eligible.

NOTE: Best Veteran or Best Bred By Exhibitor competition will be forgone if the Best of Breed is one of the above.

WHIPPET RAMP JUDGING

PLEASE NOTE: AKC WHIPPET REVISED RAMP JUDGING – EFFECTIVE MARCH 29, 2023.

Whippets may be judged on the ground or on a ramp. The entire entry is to be examined in the same manner (ground or ramp). This extends to all conformation competition at AKC conformation dog shows and any AKC event where a conformation title may be earned. This policy includes Junior Showmanship and the AKC National Owner-Handled Series (NOHS).

AWC BEST OF BREED JUDGING

Best of Breed judging is done as follows: **On Tuesday**, the secretary will confer with the judge regarding how many she wants in each group to be judged. Then the entries will be posted, in strict catalog order, dogs on one white board and bitches on another, in groups. It is the EXHIBITOR'S RESPONSIBILITY, to check that board and IF you have multiple dogs entered, ensure that they are in separate groups. If you have multiple entries in one group, it is YOUR responsibility to tell the secretary so that they can be shifted into other groups. If you have an entry you know will be absent, please let the secretary know this. You will have most of Tuesday and all day Wednesday, Thursday and Friday to make sure your entries are all in separate groups.

Saturday morning, the judge and stewards will be given lists of each group. When judging starts entries will be called into the ring, one at a time, in strict catalog order, that dog will be checked in, circle the ring and go out (we no longer bring the entire Specials entry into the ring at one time). Once all dogs are checked in, the first group will be called into the ring, and judging will begin. Judge will make her first cuts. After all groups of males are judged, the cuts from those groups will be called in and judge will make her second cut. Depending upon number of specials this may be adjusted, but the judge is working towards her final cut of 12-15 males. When this is completed, the same process will be used to judge the bitches, working toward a final cut which will leave 20 +/- specials, plus WD & WB and any of the non-regular winners who have made the cuts. From this last group the judge will make her choices for: BOB, BOW, BOS, SD, SB and 10 AOMs. Unless BOB is OH eligible, the NOHS BOB will be chosen at this time.

ATTENTION EXHIBITORS OF FOREIGN DOGS

Please visit: <https://www.cdc.gov/importation/dogs/index.html>
for the most recent updates regarding bringing a dog into the U.S.

OBEDIENCE TRIAL CLASSES

REGULAR CLASSES – Novice A, Novice B, Open A, Open B, Utility A, Utility B

OPTIONAL TITLING CLASSES – Beginner Novice A & B, Versatility

PREFERRED CLASSES: Preferred Novice, Preferred Open, Preferred Utility

NON-REGULAR CLASSES – Brace, Veteran

RALLY TRIAL CLASSES – RALLY RING WILL BE 45' X 65'

Novice A & B, Intermediate, Advanced A & B, Excellent A & B, Master, Choice

RALLY JUMP HEIGHTS

Height of Dog at Withers	Height to be Jumped
Less than 10 inches	4"
10" and under 15"	8"
15" and under 20"	12"
20" and over	16"

OBEDIENCE & RALLY EXHIBITORS: MOVE-UPS WILL BE ACCEPTED FOR THESE TRIALS ACCORDING TO CH. 1, SEC. 16, OBEDIENCE REGULATIONS.

Please Indicate Jump Height for applicable Obedience & Rally classes on entry form.

Obedience and Rally Classes will be in ascending order.

AWC will retain a \$10.00 administrative fee for each bitch in season that is withdrawn.

ROSETTE PRIZES – ALL ROSETTE SPECIALTY

The following Rosettes will be awarded for Regular Classes:

First Prize	Blue Rosette	Second Prize.....	Red Rosette
Third Prize	Yellow Rosette	Fourth Prize.....	White Rosette
Qualifying Score in a Regular Obedience or Rally Class			Dark Green Rosette

The following Rosette prizes will be awarded for Non-Regular Classes:

First Prize	Rose Rosette	Second Prize.....	Brown Rosette
Third Prize	Light Green Rosette	Fourth Prize.....	Grey Rosette

Rosettes in the appropriate and selected colors are offered for the following:

Best of Breed • Best of Opposite Sex to Best of Breed • Best of Winners

Select Dog • Select Bitch • Best NOHS

Winners Dog • Winners Bitch • Reserve Winners Dog • Reserve Winners Bitch

Best Puppy • Best Bred By Exhibitor • Best Veteran • Best Performance Dog

Award of Merit (10) • Best Junior Handler • Reserve Best Junior

Highest Scoring Dog in Reg. Obedience Classes • High Scoring Dog in Non-Regular Classes

Highest Scoring Dog in the Optional Titling Obedience Classes

Highest Combined Score in Open B & Utility • Highest Scoring Dog in Preferred Classes

Highest Combined Scoring Dog in Preferred Open and Utility

First - Fourth, each Obedience Class

Highest Combined Score in Advanced B and Excellent B • Highest Combined Triple Score

First - Fourth in each Rally Class

Best Altered • Best of Opposite Sex Altered • First - Fourth Prize, each Altered Class

Best in Veteran Sweepstakes • Best of Opposite Sex in Veteran Sweepstakes

First - Fourth, Veteran Sweepstakes Class

First - Tenth in Triathlon • First - Tenth in Versatility

Best in Futurity • First - Fourth in each Futurity class

Best in Maturity • First - Fourth in each Maturity class

Best in Breeder Sweepstakes • First - Fourth in each Breeder Sweepstakes Class

First-Fourth in Stud & Brood Bitch Classes

First-Fourth in Extended Stud Dog & Brood Bitch Class

First Prize Brace Class • First Prize Team Class

NEW TITLE WINNERS: Entrants that finish any title at the National will also receive a Rainbow Rosette and a commemorative medallion offered by the American Whippet Club. You must notify Trisha Borland of your dog's accomplishment to receive these awards.

TROPHIES AND PRIZES

ALL PRO PLAN PRIZES ARE OFFERED BY PURINA PRO PLAN

Best of Breed: Pro Plan Wagon, Commemorative Plate, Rosette, Commemorative Blanket & Custom Painting.

Best of Opposite Sex to Best of Breed: Pro Plan Yeti Bucket and Pro Plan Grooming Towel, Commemorative Plate, Rosette, Commemorative Blanket & Custom Painting.

Select Dog & Select Bitch: Large Bag Pro Plan Dog Food, Commemorative Plate, Rosette, Elite Metalworking Art & Cedar Creek Dog Pad or Bed.

Awards of Merit: Commemorative Plate, Rosette, Elite Metalworking Art & Cedar Creek Dog Pad or Bed.

Best of Winners: Commemorative Plate, Rosette, & Commemorative Blanket.

Winners Dog & Winners Bitch: Pro Plan Garment Bag, Commemorative Plate, Rosette, Elite Metalworking Art & Cedar Creek Dog Pad or Bed.

Reserve Winners Dog & Reserve Winners Bitch: Commemorative Plate, Rosette, Elite Metalworking Art & Cedar Creek Dog Pad or Bed.

Best Puppy from the Regular Puppy & Bred-By Exhibitor Puppy Classes: Pro Plan Large Umbrella, Rosette, Elite Metalworking Art & Cedar Creek Dog Pad or Bed

Best Bred-By Exhibitor from the Puppy Bred-By Exhibitor & Bred-By Exhibitor Adult Classes: Pro Plan Garment Bag, Commemorative Plate, Rosette, Elite Metalworking Art & Cedar Creek Dog Pad or Bed. *AKC is offering 1 free litter registration to the winner.*

Best Performance Dog from the Lure Coursing and Race Classes: Rosette, Elite Metalworking Art & Cedar Creek Dog Pad or Bed.

Best Veteran from the Veterans Classes: Pro Plan Large Umbrella, Rosette, Elite Metalworking Art & Cedar Creek Dog Pad or Bed.

Best of Breed Owner-Handled: Commemorative Plate, Rosette, Elite Metalworking Art & Cedar Creek Dog Pad or Bed.

Best Stud Dog: Commemorative Plate & Rosette

Best Brood Bitch: Commemorative Plate & Rosette

Best Extended Generation Stud Dog: Commemorative Plate & Rosette

Best Extended Generation Brood Bitch: Commemorative Plate & Rosette

Best Brace: Commemorative Plate & Rosette

Best Team: Commemorative Plate & Rosette

ALL REGULAR CLASSES - First Place: Pro Plan Product or Gift valued at more than \$5 & Commemorative Plate. Second, Third and Fourth Places: Commemorative Plate

ALL NON-REGULAR CLASSES - First- Fourth Place: Commemorative Plate

MAKE THE CUT - The AWC will give a commemorative magnet to each exhibitor who "makes the cut" during best of breed judging.

GENERAL TROPHY DONATIONS - If you wish to contribute to the trophy fund contact Laura Taylor at ljtaylor29@gmail.com. You can also donate at the National website - <https://www.awcnationalspecialty.com/trophy> Our sincere thanks to the 2026 Whippet National Trophy Sponsors!

OBEDIENCE & RALLY TROPHIES

Qualifying Score required in all Regular, Optional Titling Classes and Preferred Classes. Entrants receiving a qualifying score will receive a Dark Green Qualifying Rosette

Highest Scoring Dog in the Regular Obedience Classes: Rosette, Commemorative Plate, Cedar Creek Dog Pad or Bed & Commemorative Blanket

Highest Combined Score in Open B & Utility: Rosette, Commemorative Plate, Elite Metalworking Art & Cedar Creek Dog Pad or Bed

Highest Scoring Dog in the Preferred Obedience Classes: Rosette, Commemorative Plate, Elite Metalworking Art & Cedar Creek Dog Pad or Bed

Highest Combined Score in Preferred Open and Preferred Utility: Rosette, Commemorative Plate, Elite Metalworking Art & Cedar Creek Dog Pad or Bed

Highest Scoring Dog in the Optional Titling Obedience Classes: Rosette, Commemorative Plate, Elite Metalworking Art & Cedar Creek Dog Pad or Bed

Highest Scoring Dog in Non-Regular Obedience Classes: Rosette, Commemorative Plate, Elite Metalworking Art & Cedar Creek Dog Pad or Bed

Highest Combined Rally Score in Advanced B and Excellent B: Rosette, Commemorative Plate, Elite Metalworking Art & Cedar Creek Dog Pad or Bed

Highest Combined Rally Triple Score: Rosette, Commemorative Plate, Cedar Creek Dog Pad or Bed & Commemorative Blanket

First Place in Each Obedience and Rally Class: Commemorative Plate & Rosette

Second - Fourth in Each Obedience and Rally Class: Small Commemorative Plate & Rosette

CHALLENGE TROPHIES

The following Challenge Trophies are offered at the AWC National Specialty only and shall remain in the custody of the Club until permanently retired. For permanent possession, the Pinnacle Challenge Trophy and the Ableaim Challenge Trophy must be won three times by the identical owner or owners, not necessarily with the same dog. For permanent possession, all other Challenge Trophies must be won three times by the same owner or owners, not necessarily with the same dog.

BEST OF BREED

PINNACLE CHALLENGE TROPHY - 10 Inch Bronze Sculpture designed and created by Fan Yu depicting two Whippets, American Whippet Club National Specialty Best of Breed winners, "Whiskey" and "Bourbon". Offered by Justin & Cheslie Smithy, Pinnacle Whippets.

BEST OF WINNERS

BO-BETT CHALLENGE TROPHY - Silverplated Bowl, Mounted on Wooden Base. Offered by Carol Harris of Bo-Bett Whippets.

BEST OF OPPOSITE SEX

SHAMASAN CHALLENGE TROPHY - Silver rendition of dogs mounted on a wooden base. Offered by Jill Davies, Martie Boyer and Phoebe Booth.

WINNERS DOG

CHELSEA CHALLENGE TROPHY - Offered by Lee and Deann Christianson in honor of: Multi SBIS CH Chelsea Drakkar of Oxford, JC, FCh, ROMX (1990); SBIS DC Chelsea Gold Rush of Keynote, FCh, ROMX (1998); CH Chelsea Where There Is Smoke, SC ROMX (2003).

WINNERS BITCH

KAMADA CHALLENGE TROPHY - bronzed metal whippets on a wooden base. Offered by Debby Davenport in memory of Kathy Davenport.

BEST BRED-BY-EXHIBITOR DOG

Silver-plated bowl mounted on a walnut base. Offered by Isabell Stoffers, in loving memory of Am. Mex. BIS, Ch. Runner's He's the Continental. Donor will provide a silver picture frame for permanent possession by the winner.

BEST BRED-BY-EXHIBITOR BITCH

Silver-plated bowl mounted on a walnut base. Offered by Isabell Stoffers, in loving memory of Am. Mex. BIS, Ch. Runner's Our Own Charisma. Donor will provide a silver picture frame for permanent possession by the winner.

BEST PUPPY

THE DE SUD CHALLENGE TROPHY - Silver Loving Cup on a wooden base that was originally donated in memory of Norman Ellis, Madcap Whippets. The trophy was retired in 2010 having been won numerous times by de Sud Whippets and is reoffered by Kathy Armato.

BEST BRED BY EXHIBITOR

BROADSTRIDER TROPHY - "Three Friends" bronze relief designed and produced by Wendy Gay, mounted on a Texas mesquite wood plaque with stand. Offered by Doug and Ruth Broadfoot in memory of Doris Wear, Stoney Meadows.

HALSTAN CHALLENGE TROPHY - Bronze Whippet sculpture mounted on wooden base. Offered by Dee Halley and Rhonda Gifford in loving memory of Stan Halley.

ISABELL STOFFERS MEMORIAL TROPHY - Antique metal Whippet on marble base, mounted on wood stand. Donated in loving memory of Isabell Stoffers, Runners Whippets, by friends of Isabell - Michael Dougherty, Iva Kimmelman, Phoebe Booth, Jean Balint, Pat Mills, Karen Roberson, Bo Bengtson, Mary Dukes.

BEST PERFORMANCE DOG

WISTWIND MEMORIAL TROPHY - A bronze running whippet on a wooden base. This trophy was retired in 2021 by Karen Lee, Surrey Hill and Kristen Fredericks, Mariner and a new trophy was re-offered in memory of Carolyn and Greg Mountan, Humane Purse of \$100.00 will be donated to the dog-related charity of the winner's choice. Winners of the Lure Coursing and Racing classes will compete.

BEST BROOD BITCH

THE CARMEN TROPHY - Garry Newton bronze of three whippets holding a crystal ball signifying honoring the past, celebrating the present, and looking to the future. Offered by Judy Lowther in honor of Vitesse Kiss-N-Tell WRCh SORC2, who earned an ROM in only litter.

BEST VETERAN

WHISPA CHALLENGE TROPHY - Bronze sculpture by Kathleen O'Bryan Hedges of two Whippets playing, in honor of INT AM and JKC CH Bohem Circus Pony. Offered by Mrs. Fuki Yoshimoto.

FIRST PLACE JUNIOR VETERAN DOG 7-10 YEARS OLD

Silver-plated Revere bowl on a walnut base. Offered by Sporting Field Whippets

FIRST PLACE JUNIOR VETERAN BITCH 10-12 YEARS OLD

SPORTING FIELDS LEGACY TROPHY - Bronze Danny Gilmour original sculpture "The Rag Racer", mounted on marble with a wooden base. Offered by Dionne Butt, Amanda Giles and David and Gina Samuelson in honor of past winners BIS NSBIS DC Sporting Fields Winsome Won, BIS NSBIS CH Sporting Fields Bahama Sands and BIS SBIS CH Sporting Fields Love and Shenanigans.

FIRST PLACE INTERMEDIATE VETERAN BITCH 10-12 YEARS OLD

WHIPOO MEMORIAL TROPHY - Bronze-tone metal vase with embossed Whippet figure mounted on a wooden base. Offered by Dr. Connie Brunkow in loving memory of Eugene Jacobs.

FIRST PLACE SENIOR VETERAN BITCH 12+ YEARS OLD

WILLCARE CHALLENGE TROPHY - Silver-plated water pitcher. Offered by Carol Willumsen in loving memory of Ch. Willcare's Collage.

BEST JUNIOR HANDLER

THE MARILYN THYES MEMORIAL TROPHY - Dannyquest sculpture presented in memory of Marilyn, who was a big supporter of children learning to love the sport of dog shows. It is donated by all her friends who will always remember her; both human and Whippet.

BEST ALTERED

THE BRIGITTE GREENBERG MEMORIAL TROPHY - A large walnut plaque, a smaller plaque for possession of the winner, to be awarded each year to the Whippet who is chosen Best of Breed from the Altered Classes. Offered in loving memory by the Managers of Whippet World Internet Group.

TRIATHLON CHAMPION

THE ABLEAIM CHALLENGE TROPHY - Original bronze sculpture by Leslie Hutto on a wooden base depicting the three events of the Triathlon in honor of three past winners, "Hattie" MBIF BISS RBIS GCHG DC Kalina Ableaim Hats and Fashions CD RN MC LCX NA NAJ DM AM HDJ TKI PR CAVX, "Vintage" MBIF GCH DC Kalina Ableaim Rare Vintage CD LCX DJ MC HDJ CAV, and "Kiwi" CH Ableaim There Are No Limits SC CA FCAT CGC TKN. Offered by Ableaim Kennels. Donor offers a matted print for permanent possession by the winner.

VERSATILITY COMPETITION

MAPLE CHALLENGE TROPHY - Offered by Diane and David Bollinger and Squeaky Egg in honor of Maple, 3 time winner of the AWC Versatility Competition, FC RACH ARCHEX UKC CH UCD URO3 Terrena's High Pitched AVX ARX PR2 TRP OTR Fch SC BN CD SN-C RAE3 RM4 RLP-AOE RLPX RL1-AOE RL1X2 RL2-AOE RL2X2 RL3-AOE RL3X CW-AR CW-ZR1.5 MX MXJ MJB MXF CL1CL2-S CL2-H IAC TN-N NJC DCAT SWA SEE SIE CW-SD FDCh-G CW-Scr2 MBDCh-G DSX DMAASA AM RATI RATOX RATM CZ8PS TKA FDC CGCA CGCU SPOT. The trophy is awarded for the overall winner of the AWC Versatility Competition and is a wooden plaque with brass plates. Donors offer a marble pillar trophy to keep with the year of the award engraved on it for permanent possession by the winner.

CALVIN TROPHY - Offered by Bobbie Lutz of Windryder Whippets in memory of BIF, DC, UGRCH, UAGII, UCD, Appraxis Callaban Kristobel, CD, MC, LCM3, V-FCH, OJP, NAP, NA, NAJ, CGC, TT, CAVX. This trophy is awarded to the overall winner of the AWC Versatility competition and is an engraved silver 5x7 photo frame.

OBEDIENCE CHALLENGE TROPHIES

Unless otherwise specified, the Challenge trophies are offered for the highest scoring Whippet from the regular Obedience classes. Challenge trophies are offered under the following conditions: To be won three times by the same exhibitor, not necessarily with the same dog, for outright ownership. Dogs may be owned by the handler or by any other person. Until won permanently, the trophy will remain in the hands of the American Whippet Club.

THE IRMA CHALLENGE TROPHY - Brass with bronze overlay Whippet statue mounted on a wooden base with a plaque. Offered by Dr. Lisa Costello, in honor of Ch. Finghin's Desert Gold CW-SP CW-ScR1 DDCS SWE NW3 Elite CD RATS BCAT CGC TKI FDC

JERSEY RAG RACERS ASSOCIATION INC. - Crouching bronze Whippet statue on walnut base with individual plaques, to the highest scoring Whippet competing in any Obedience class that is also entered in a regular or non-regular conformation class. This does NOT include Triathlon and Versatility Conformation. The dog must compete in the classes to be eligible to win. Retired in 2019 by Erynn Lucas and Carson, GCHB, DC Windborn At Your Service CGC, BN, MC, PR, TRP, DPC, to be re-offered in 2020.

JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP COMPETITION

NOVICE CLASS: For boys and girls who are at least 9 years old and under 18 years old on the day of the show and who at the time entries close have not won three (3) first place awards, with competition present, in a Novice Class. A first place in Novice without competition leading to a Best Junior award with competition would count as one win towards moving to Open at a licensed or member show.

OPEN CLASS: For boys and girls who are at least 9 years old and under 18 years old on the day of the show, and who have won three first place awards in a Novice Class or if a win in Novice leads to a Best Junior with competition present it will count as one win towards moving to Open in a licensed or member show. Juniors which according to their records have completed the requirements to compete in the Open class but whose status is unconfirmed by the American Kennel Club are limited to competing in the Open Class for a period of 90 days from the date of the show where the Junior completed the requirements according to their records.

MASTER CLASS: This class will be for boys and girls who are at least 9 years old and under 18 years on the day of the show, and who have 10 Best Junior wins with competition. The calendar for this class will be consistent with the eligibility dates for the AKC National Championship. All Juniors meeting the criteria for this class are required to enter the Master Class and may change their entry the day of the show if entries have already closed. Once the eligibility time frame for that year has passed all participants return to the Open Class to compete for the following year.

NOVICE AND OPEN CLASS DIVIDED: **Junior**-9 years old and under 12 years old on the day of the show; **Intermediate**-12 years old and under 15 years old on the day of the show; **Senior**-15 years old and under 18 years old on the day of the show.

After the judge has awarded the Best Junior Handler, the second place winner from the class that the Junior was awarded Best Junior Handler is to return to the ring to compete for Reserve Best Junior Handler.

NOTICE: Junior Handlers must include their AKC JUNIOR HANDLER NUMBER on each entry. You may obtain your junior identification number by calling the AKC, Judges Education Department, 919-233-9767. BE SURE ALL INFORMATION for Junior Showmanship Classes is entered on front and back of entry form.

JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP PRIZES

Best Junior Handler: Pro Plan Backpack, Rosette & Commemorative Blanket

Reserve Best Junior Handler: Rosette & Elite Metalworking Art

First Place in Each Class: Commemorative Plate & Rosette

Second - Fourth in Each Class: Commemorative Plate & Rosette

ALTERED DOG AND BITCH COMPETITION

This competition is open to all altered dogs and bitches over the age of 6 months. All breed and AKC disqualifications apply. Altered dogs over 7 years may be entered in the Veteran Classes. First in each division will compete for Best Altered and Best of Opposite Sex Altered.

Classes offered, divided by sex: 6-12 months; 12-18 months; Open

ALTERED COMPETITION PRIZES

First Place, Each Class: Commemorative Plate & Rosette

Second - Fourth, Each Class: Commemorative Plate & Rosette

Best Altered: Rosette, Elite Metalworking Art & Cedar Creek Dog Pad or Bed

Best of Opposite Sex to Best Altered: Rosette & Elite Metalworking Art

THE AKC NATIONAL OWNER HANDLED SERIES

This is a non-titling competition for dogs that are exhibited by their owners that are not professional handlers. All dogs that are owner-handled and are not solely owned or exhibited by professional handlers* meet the requirements for this competition. Exhibitors must declare their dog is Owner-Handled eligible at the time of entry using the check box on the entry form. Eligible dogs will be identified by an asterisk in the judge's book, steward's book & the catalog.

Dogs must be handled throughout the breed level competition for the regular show by an eligible owner*. Professional handlers, household members and assistants to current professional handlers may not exhibit the dog in any breed competition during the entire show.

*Professional handlers are defined as any person who belongs or has belonged to a professional handlers' organization, distributed rate cards, or otherwise advertised or represented themselves as handling dogs for pay or received payment for handling a dog within the last five years.

Entries into the Amateur-Owner-Handler class are automatically entered into the AKC NOHS and do not have to check the box on the entry form.

**For information regarding Regulations, Entry and Eligibility
for the AKC National Owner-Handled Series**

Please See www.AKC.org

(Remember to check the box near the bottom of the entry form)



BO BENGTSON MEMORIAL VETERAN SWEEPSTAKES

RULES: All entrants must be 7 years of age or older and NEED NOT be entered in the Specialty. The Veteran Sweepstakes is open to both Champions and Non-Champions. Entries shall be made at the same time and on the same entry form as for Regular Classes.

NOTE: Spayed/ Neutered Veterans are eligible for entry in the Veteran Sweepstakes.

Veteran Sweepstakes Classification - All Classes are divided by Sex

7 years and Under 10 years • 10 years and Under 12 years • 12 years & Older

MONEY PRIZES

25% of the entry fees will be retained by the AWC for expenses. The remainder will be divided in each class as follows: First 40% • Second 30% • Third 20% • Fourth 10%.

Veteran Sweepstakes Prizes: Rosettes

Best in Veteran Sweepstakes: Rosette, Elite Metalworking Art & Cedar Creek Dog Pad or Bed.

Best of Opposite Sex to Best in Veterans Sweepstakes: Rosette, Elite Metalworking Art & Cedar Creek Dog Pad or Bed.

FUTURITY

Futurity Exhibitors Please Note There is **NOT** a separate premium list for the Futurity. Futurity entrants must be entered in a regular class at this specialty. Enter Futurity and age division in the additional class box on the entry form. Futurity class entries close same date as specialty.

FUTURITY AGE DIVISIONS - DIVIDED BY SEX

6 Months & Under 8 Months • 8 Months & Under 10 Months
10 Months & Under 12 Months • 12 Months & Under 15 Months
15 Months & Under 18 Months.

FUTURITY NOMINATION REQUIREMENTS & RULES

CAN BE FOUND AT THE FOLLOWING WEB SITE:

Nominations and Rules - <https://national.americanwhippetclub.org/futurity-maturity/>

FUTURITY TROPHIES

The Ch. Fenwick of Whippoorwill Memorial Trophy - The AWC will retain possession of this trophy. The winner of Best In Futurity will be engraved on a wooden base that accompanies the trophy. The owner of Best In Futurity will receive a separate trophy as a memento of the win. Offered by Barbara Henderson DVM, Whippoorwill Whippets.

Best in Futurity: Rosette, Commemorative Blanket offered by the American Whippet Club & a Whippet motif item donated by Abbey Whippets.

First through fourth place in each Futurity Class will be awarded a commemorative medallion.

FUTURITY PRIZE MONEY

Money Prizes: 35% of entry fees will be retained by the Futurity for expenses.

Remainder divided as follows: First 40% • Second 30% • Third 20% • Fourth 10%

Prize money shall be awarded to the breeder/breeders only. If an owner or exhibitor of the winning dog is not the breeder, and the breeder is not present, a check will be mailed directly to the breeder. It is between the breeders, exhibitors, and owners to decide possession of any awards or cash prizes presented for any wins.

MATURITY

Maturity classes are for dogs and bitches. There is no age break. Dogs nominated in the 2025 Futurity are eligible. They did NOT have to be shown in the 2025 Futurity to enter the 2026 Maturity.

The Maturity is sponsored by the American Whippet Club and is open to any member of a litter which was nominated for the Futurity the year prior to the Maturity. Maturity Classes shall be Maturity Dogs and Maturity Bitches. The Futurity Judge will also judge the Maturity Dog and Maturity Bitch Classes, following the selection of Best in Futurity. The winner of Maturity Dog Class and Maturity Bitch Class shall compete for Best in Maturity. The Maturity will be held starting with the 2017 AWC National (this change voted in by the general membership on 04/24/14). Maturity pedigrees shall not be printed in the Futurity Catalog.

MATURITY TROPHIES

Best In Maturity: The AWC will retain possession of this trophy. The winner of Best In Maturity will be engraved on a wooden base that accompanies the trophy. Bronze whippets on wooden base entitled "Mum and Me" by Dannyquest Designs offered by Rhonda Gifford, Regalia Whippets.

Best in Maturity: Rosette, Commemorative Blanket offered by the American Whippet Club & a Whippet motif item donated by Merci Isle Whippets.

MATURITY PRIZE MONEY

Money Prizes: 35% of entry fees will be retained by the Maturity for expenses.

Remainder divided as follows: 35% to the Breeder of Best In Maturity,

The balance in each class will receive First 40% • Second 30% • Third 20% • Fourth 10%.

Prize money shall be awarded to the breeder/breeders only. If an owner or exhibitor of the winning dog is not the breeder, and the breeder is not present, a check will be mailed directly to the breeder. It is between the breeders, exhibitors, and owners to decide possession of any awards or cash prizes presented for any wins.

BREEDERS SWEEPSTAKES

Any dog entered must be handled by a breeder of record for that dog throughout the competition. If a breeder of record for that dog is not available to handle the dog in Best in Breeder Sweepstakes, that dog shall not be shown past the class level.

An Open class will be offered for both Dogs and Bitches, regardless of age and championship status. The winner of each class will then compete for Best in Breeder Sweepstakes.

BREEDERS SWEEPSTAKES PRIZE MONEY

25% of the entry fees will be retained by the AWC for expenses. The remainder will be divided in each class as follows: First 40% • Second 30% • Third 20% • Fourth 10%.

BREEDERS SWEEPSTAKES PRIZE

Breeder Sweepstakes Prize - Each Placement: Rosette

Best in Breeder Sweepstakes: Rosette, Elite Metalworking Art & Cedar Creek Dog Pad or Bed

AWC JUDGES EDUCATION SEMINAR

Sign up Deadline April 1, 2026

Red Lion Hotel Pasco Airport & Conference Center
2525 N 20th Ave
Pasco, WA 99301
509-547-0701



The American Whippet Club will hold our judges' education program

Friday, April 17, 2026, 6:00PM

A Power Point presentation of the Whippet Illustrated Standard.

Followed by a Hands on Seminar

Friday, April 17, 2026

Numerous mentors will provide individual ringside mentoring throughout the day.

There is no charge for this judges' education opportunity.

Ringside mentoring will be available everyday of regular class judging beginning on
Wednesday, April 15, 2026

Additional educational opportunities: mentors will be available at both
Lure Coursing events Saturday and Sunday April 11-12, 2026.

Please let me know if you need transportation to the coursing field.

If you have any questions, please contact:

David Samuelson 612-201-3930/samuelsond@aol.com

AWC Judges Education Coordinator

SPECIAL ATTRACTIONS INFORMATION AND FORMS

CAN BE FOUND ON THE AWC WEBSITE: <https://national.americanwhippetclub.org/>
ADDITIONALLY, A PDF VERSION OF THE FORMS
CAN BE FOUND ON THE BARAY WEB SITE: www.barayevents.com

AWC 30th ANNUAL TRIATHLON and 17th ANNUAL VERSATILITY COMPETITION

<https://national.americanwhippetclub.org/triathlon/>
<https://national.americanwhippetclub.org/versatility/>
Entries Close March 11, 2026

CANINE GOOD CITIZEN TESTING & TRICK DOG RESERVATION FORM

<https://national.americanwhippetclub.org/trick-dog/>
Registration Opens January 7, 2026. Day of entry available as time permits

WHIPPET HEALTH FOUNDATION, INC. HEALTH CLINIC INFORMATION

<https://national.americanwhippetclub.org/health-clinics/>
Pre-Registration Closes April 6, 2026

AWC AWARDS DINNER BANQUET

<https://national.americanwhippetclub.org/awards-banquet/>
Pre-Registration Closes March 11, 2026

TOP TWENTY

<https://national.americanwhippetclub.org/top-20/>
Contender Closing - February 28, 2026 • Deadline for Pre-orders - March 11, 2026

CATALOG ADVERTISING AND ORDERING

<https://national.americanwhippetclub.org/product/catalog-pre-order/>
<https://national.americanwhippetclub.org/product/catalog-advertising/>
Advertising Deadline January 28, 2026 or February 18, 2026 for Camera Ready
Catalog Pre-Order Deadline - March 11, 2026

NATIONAL LOGOWEAR

<https://national.americanwhippetclub.org/national-logowear/>
Order by March 11, 2026 for National Pickup

WRAP and PARADE OF RESCUES

<https://national.americanwhippetclub.org/parade-of-rescues/>
Deadline March 1, 2026

PARADE OF HONORS

<https://national.americanwhippetclub.org/parade-of-honors/>
Deadline February 1, 2026

RAINBOW BRIDGE

<https://national.americanwhippetclub.org/rainbow-bridge/>
Deadline March 11, 2026

JUDGES EDUCATION

<https://national.americanwhippetclub.org/judges-education/>
Deadline for Registration is April 1, 2026

ART COMPETITION

<https://national.americanwhippetclub.org/art-exhibition/>
<https://national.americanwhippetclub.org/product/art-exhibition-entries/>
Deadline March 15, 2026

WILLOW AWARD

<https://national.americanwhippetclub.org/willow-award/>
Deadline March 1, 2026

WRA RACE MEET

<https://national.americanwhippetclub.org/racing/>
Deadline Wednesday April 15, 2026

HEALTH CLINIC INFORMATION

WHIPPET HEALTH FOUNDATION, INC.

The Whippet Health Foundation will be conducting health clinics in conjunction with the 2026 AWC National Specialty. OFA Eye Certification (CAER), BAER testing and Echocardiogram clinics will be held as well as microchipping. The Whippet Health Foundation will be subsidizing a portion of the per dog cost for eye, hearing and heart testing for those dogs participating in the WHF database.

All test results subsidized by and released to the WHF Database will be public record. It is up to YOU to enter your dog into the WHF database and to provide us with a copy of the test results.

HEALTH CLINIC SCHEDULE AT THE 2026 AWC NATIONAL

CAER EYE CLINIC:

Wednesday, April 15, 9AM to 5PM

This clinic will be conducted by Dr. Linda Collier, DVM, ACVO. Results can be sent to the Companion Animal Eye Registry (CAER) managed by OFA. This test fulfills the AWC Futurity requirement. Appointments will be pre-booked. The cost is \$35 per dog. Online OFA forms will be available for this clinic, and we ask that all dogs have an online form filled out prior to the clinic.

BAER HEARING CLINIC:

Tuesday, April 14, 8AM to 5PM. Limited to 45 dogs, additional booking is at the discretion of the Doctor.

This clinic will be conducted by Dr. Alison Brendal. Appointments will be pre-booked. The cost is \$65 per dog for confidential results, \$55 for public results submitted to WHF database.

OFA ECHOCARDIOGRAM CLINIC:

Monday, April 13 - Thursday, April 16, 9AM to 5PM

This clinic will be conducted by Dr. Heidi Kelliher from the UW Madison. She will be performing OFA ACA echocardiogram clearance examinations. All exams will take 15 to 20 minutes. You may sign up as many Whippets as you want, there is no limit. Appointments will be pre-booked. The cost of the exam is \$275 for confidential results, \$225 for public results submitted to WHF database.

DEADLINE TO PRE-REGISTER IS MONDAY, APRIL 6, 2026

SUBMIT FORM ON FOLLOWING PAGE

HEALTH CLINIC REGISTRATION FORM

DEADLINE TO PRE-REGISTER IS MONDAY, APRIL 6, 2026

Name _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip Code _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____

Eye Testing (include total # of dogs): # of dogs _____ @ \$35 ea.= \$ _____

Hearing Testing (include total # of dogs):

BAER testing: results public.....# of dogs _____ @ \$55 ea.= \$ _____

BAER testing: results confidential.....# of dogs _____ @ \$65 ea. = \$ _____

Heart/Echo health clearance and/or pre-breeding exam (include total # of dogs):

Echocardiogram results public..... # of dogs _____ @ \$225 ea.= \$ _____

Echocardiogram results confidential..... # of dogs _____ @ \$275 ea.= \$ _____

PLEASE CHOOSE YOUR PREFERRED DAY: (First come, first serve, appointments will be scheduled prior to the National)

Mon, April 13 _____ Tues, April 14 _____ Wed, April 15 _____ Thurs, April 16 _____

Grand Total for all Health Testing: _____

How to Pay:

1). Go to www.whippethealth.org, click on the "Health Clinic" button, fill out the online form and pay via PayPal at the end of the form. Please remember to pay when you are done filling out the form!

2). Mail this form and a check made payable to "WHF" in US funds. (Checks written on foreign banks will NOT be accepted) to: Lisa Costello, 6878 Grapewood Circle, Colorado Springs, CO 80918

Appointments will not be scheduled until payment is received. You can reach Lisa at:

mtncow100@gmail.com // 630-625-2019

Email preferred.

For more information: <https://national.americanwhippetclub.org/health-clinics/>



American Whippet Club Specialty Banquet

Saturday - April 18, 2026

CASH BAR AVAILABLE

TIME: 7PM

LOCATION: Main Ballroom

Salmon Dinner - \$50 per plate

Chicken or Vegetarian Dinner - \$45 per plate

Children under 9 years of age - No Charge**

Entrée Choices

Vegetarian Plate - Fresh seasonal meal, to be determined and announced by close of entries

Artichoke Chicken - Pan seared with artichoke caper cream sauce, with mixed greens, vegetable medley and parmesan risotto

Pacific Salmon - Pan seared with a dill butter sauced, served with mixed greens, asparagus and wild rice pilaf

RESERVATION PAYMENT DUE BY MARCH, 11, 2026

<https://national.americanwhippetclub.org/awards-banquet/>

Due to popular demand, table reservations are NOT available this year! Arrive with who you want to sit with or make new friends to reminisce on another great AWC National Specialty!

Tables will seat 6-8 people.

***Children under 9 receive a children's meal only, consisting of chicken nuggets and French fries. Children 10 and over must have a regular paid entrée.*

Banquet Chairs: Sue Vernon (summitwhippets@gmail.com)

Laura Taylor (ljtaylor29@gmail.com)

AWC 35th Top Twenty Event



Please come join us in celebrating
2025's Top Whippets on
Thursday, April 16, 2026.

Location - Medallion Ballroom

Time - To be announced

Complimentary appetizers sponsored by the
American Whippet Club will be served alongside
a cash bar starting 30 minutes prior to the event.

<https://national.americanwhippetclub.org/top-20/>

Please refer to the AWC National Specialty Website Top 20 page to order
tickets, catalogs and a table!



Deadline for Guest Orders: March 11, 2026

Pre-order tickets will be available at the "Will Call" table.

Please contact Sara Weitzenkamp at roundhousewhippets@gmail.com
with any questions.



GET YOUR
Top Twenty
WEAR



ashleysdesign.com/AWC-TOP-20



SCAN HERE!



ashleysdesign.com
shop@ashleysdesign.com
360.682.2429

AWC Catalog Orders

Pre-order \$30 Deadline: March 11, 2026

Order Online: <https://national.americanwhippetclub.org/product/catalog-pre-order/>



To pay by check, mail this form with payment in US Funds made out to the AWC to:

Cheryl Grubaugh
7109 Benevolent Way
Sacramento CA 95842

Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail address: _____

Qty: _____ Total Amount: _____

2026 Welcome Bags will be available to everyone who pre-purchases a catalog. Catalogs/bags will NOT be shipped. If you wish to obtain a bag and a catalog, please arrange with a friend who is going to the AWC National to pick up your order.

VERY LIMITED AMOUNT AVAILABLE AT SHOW FOR \$35.00

CATALOG ADVERTISING

Deadlines for ad submission – camera ready must be received by February 18, 2026. All materials for ads to be built must be received by January 28, 2026. NO EXCEPTIONS. Ads received after the deadline will be returned.

Order Forms & Payment: <https://national.americanwhippetclub.org/product/catalog-advertising/>
Questions? Contact Laura Baratta - laura@stormholdwhippets.com

Half Page (Black and White) – \$35

Full Page (Black and White) - \$65

The ads for the National Specialty catalog will be a finished size of 4.5" x 7.5"

Camera Ready Ad Specifications:

- PDF (press quality), JPG or TIFF (300 DPI) are accepted.
- We do not accept Excel, Publisher, PowerPoint, Word Perfect, Works or other non-approved files.

Material guidelines for non-camera ready ads:

- Price of ad includes one (1) photo. Additional photos are \$10 per photo.
- All mailed photos must be identified on the back – DO NOT use ball point pen. Include a stamped, self-addressed envelope if you would like your mailed photos returned.
- Clearly type or print all information that you wish to have in your ad on a sheet of paper or email the information with digital photos.
- Please use high quality photos; they will be scanned.
- Emailed digital photos must be 300 DPI (High resolution)
- Photos printed on plain paper or low resolution digital files will not be accepted.

2026 AWC LOGO ITEMS

We are pleased to offer a selection of 2026 National Specialty Logo Items through Ashley Design

2026 National Speciality Merchandise



CHOOSE YOUR FRONT PRINT

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Scent

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Lure

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<https://ashleysdesign.com/americanwhippetclub>



WHIPPET RESCUE AND PLACEMENT (WRAP)

Whippet Rescue and Placement Parade of Rescues

Whippet Rescue and Placement Parade of Rescues

WRAP rescue Whippets will be presented in the PARADE OF RESCUES on Friday, April 17, 2026, in the hotel ballroom, directly after completion of regular judging for the day.

WRAP will hold a Social Hour, tentatively scheduled after the Parade of Rescues. All are invited to attend – you need not be a member of WRAP. Hotel location TBD

If you have a WRAP rescue Whippet and would like to register for the PARADE OF RESCUES, please contact coordinator Michelle Knoerzer, no later than March 1, 2026. Owners of WRAP rescue Whippets are encouraged to register for the Parade. Join in the fun and receive a "goodie bag" stuffed with toys, treats and other items for your dog.

Please include:

- Owner's name / e-mail address / phone number
- Rescue's name / age
- Photo(s) of your rescue Whippet, to be included in the slide show at the WRAP table
- Short Bio about your rescue to be read while you and your rescue are in the ring

Stop by the WRAP table in the ballroom to view the history of WRAP in a slide show of rescue Whippets over the years. If you have photos of your rescue Whippets that you would like to have added to the slide show, please email your photos to Michelle

Knoerzer, coseehounds@gmail.com, no later than March 1, 2026.

Please see the WRAP website: <https://whippet-rescue.org/wrap-at-the-national-specialty/>, for updates and meeting room location as more details become available.

PARADE OF HONORS

Deadline: February 1, 2026

Entry Fee: \$60.00

<https://national.americanwhippetclub.org/parade-of-honors/>

Entrants will receive: Half page catalog ad,
Personalized rosette, Entrance in the parade,
and surprise swag.



Eligibility rules:

(Please check the box for the specific accomplishments that apply)

- ☐ BOB or BOS at any AWC Specialty
- ☐ BOB at any Specialty in the United States
- ☐ AKC All-Breed Best or Reserve Best in Show Winner, All-Breed NOHS Best in Show
- ☐ BIS at an AKC Hound Group Show
- ☐ AKC All-Breed Best in Show
- ☐ AKC MACH/PACH
- ☐ AKC Champion with any of the following: ORC, SORC, RCH, WRCH, WRCHX, ARX, SRA
- ☐ AKC Dual Champion (Breed & Field Championship)
- ☐ AKC Champion & LCM or LCX
- ☐ AKC Obedience Trial Champion (OTCh)
- ☐ AKC Champion & CDX, UD, UDX
- ☐ AKC Champion & SWM
- ☐ High in Obedience Trial at any AKC All-Breed Show or AWC National Specialty
- ☐ AKC Champion with any of the following: TDX, VST, MX, AX, FMCh, FGDCh, RATM, DM
- ☐ Past AWC Triathlon/Versatility/Futurity/Maturity Winners
- ☐ Whippet ranked #1 by a nationally recognized system
- ☐ AWC ROMX

Name of Whippet: _____

All Titles: _____

Birth Date: _____

Sire: _____

Dam: _____

Breeder(s): _____

Owner(s): _____

Cell Phone: _____ Email Address: _____

City/State/Zip _____

Please submit: this form, plus a short write-up for the Parade, one photo, and \$60.00 per dog.

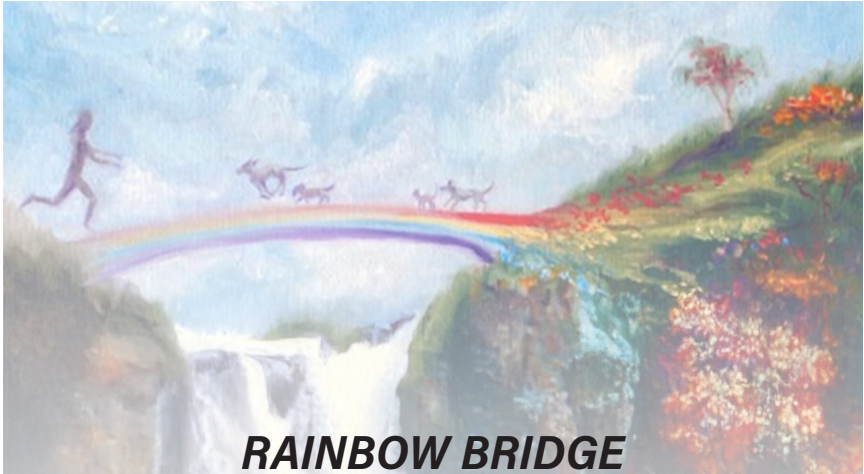
Send information to:

Deana Jaffe 5208 Alta Vista St., San Diego, CA 92109

Email: AWCParade@gmail.com

Phone: 858-245-3843

Entries received by the deadline date will be confirmed by e-mail



RAINBOW BRIDGE

Please pay tribute to those very special whippets and whippet fanciers who have passed on to the rainbow bridge at the next AWC 2026 Rainbow Bridge Memorial Table.

In order to meet the necessary timelines, please send in your entries with the following information noted below to alicevand@usa.net

Whippets:

Full Registered Name,
Call Name,
Titles Earned,
Date of Birth,
Date Passed
and
Name of Owner (s).

Fancier:

Full Name,
Kennel name,
Date of Passing and any notes or special memories.

Each entry should have an 8 x 10 framed print brought to the national to be displayed on the Rainbow Bridge table. After the national, these will need to be picked up as they will not be shipped back to the owner.

Donations are appreciated and checks can be made payable to: AWC
and sent to:

Alice VandenBussche
12591, Old Rt 31
Savannah, NY 13146
alicevand@usa.net

Please do not miss the deadline: MARCH 11, 2026

ART SHOW AND AUCTION



We're doing it again!! Put on your smocks and get to work. Calling all artists for the 2026 AWC Juried Art Exhibition! Entries open to all Artists. AWC membership is not required, and you do not have to attend the National to submit an entry. The exhibition is free to attend and open to the public. It will be juried by local artist(s) and a member of our whippet community. Artists have the option to sell their work through silent auction during the event.

All submissions must be submitted online by March 15, 2026
<https://national.americanwhippetclub.org/product/art-exhibition-entries/>

GENERAL INFORMATION

Artwork Requirements & Submission Guidelines

- All submitted pieces must have been created within the past five years and must not have been displayed in any previous AWC Exhibition.
- Each piece must be an original work created and submitted by the artist. If a piece is submitted on behalf of a family member, a signed release form must accompany the submission.
- The submission deadline for all works is March 22, 2026. Any submissions received after this date will not be included in the online catalog (no exceptions).
- All pieces must be delivered to the National in Pasco no later than Monday, April 13 at 12:00 PM. Any unsold works must be picked up by 12:00 PM on Friday, April 17, 2026.
- The show will be juried. Pieces will be awarded first through third place in each class within each division. First-place winners from each class will advance to compete for Best in Show. All entries will be eligible for People's Choice Award.
- Each artist may submit up to five total pieces, which may be distributed across multiple classes or concentrated within one class.
- Artists are encouraged to draw inspiration from the beauty and spirit of whippets when creating their pieces.
- All artwork will be displayed in the Hospitality area at the National. The AWC and its representatives are not responsible for stolen or damaged works.
- Artwork may be offered for sale at the artist's discretion. A 25% gallery fee to the AWC will be deducted from the final sale price. Artists may set their own prices.

A limited number of pieces will be randomly selected for sale in the live auction at the National Welcome Party on Tuesday, April 14.

You may choose one of the following options:

1. Be included in the drawing and receive the sale price of your work, minus a 25% gallery fee. Any additional amount raised beyond that will be donated to the National.
2. Be included in the drawing and receive the full sale price of your work, minus a 25% gallery fee.
3. Opt out and not be included in the drawing for the live auction.

If an entry sells, the artist will be contacted.

Entries must remain on display until the exhibit closes.

Classes will be offered in amateur, professional and youth divisions:

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| 1. Painting (oil, acrylic, watercolor) | 5. Glasswork/woodwork |
| 2. Drawing (pencil, charcoal, ink) | 6. Photography |
| 3. Textiles (sewing, quilting, knitting) | 7. Mixed media |
| 4. Sculpture (bronze, clay, felted) | 8. Miscellaneous |

Submission fees: 1-2 pieces \$25 per work • 3 pieces \$65 • 4 pieces \$85 • 5 pieces \$100

<https://national.americanwhippetclub.org/art-exhibition/>

Contact Caroline Wells Cope (carolinewellscope@gmail.com) with any questions.

WILLOW AWARD

IT'S TIME TO NOMINATE YOUR THERAPY WHIPPETS FOR THE WILLOW AWARD!

Willow, with her partner Linda Solano, is the only Whippet in history to receive an AKC Award of Canine Excellence. Her work as a therapy dog has inspired countless others and the Willow Award allows us to recognize and celebrate the unsung heroes of the Whippet world: Therapy Whippets who go quietly about making miracles happen. Starting in 2004, a Whippet is honored at the National by receiving the Willow Award, with the recipient's name permanently engraved on an original bronze Perpetual Trophy generously donated by Willow's therapy partner, Linda Solano.

How to submit - Tell the story of a Whippet who is working as a therapy dog in 1000 words or less and submit three photos (one may be a collage). Each paragraph should highlight how your Whippet has connected with the people they visit, and their stories will be on display at the National to inspire others! Past nominees are welcome and encouraged to re-nominate.

The Willow Award

- This award is for therapy Whippets working in all types of visitation facilities; hospitals, schools, nursing homes, libraries, women's shelters, mental health facilities, physical therapy centers, teenage crisis centers and wherever else Whippets are sharing their healing magic with people in need.
- One applicant will be chosen by a panel of judges to receive the Willow Award. and their name will be engraved on the Bronze Perpetual Trophy.

The Willow Hero

- This is to recognize all Whippets who participate as an Emotional Support Dog, Service Dog, or otherwise provide exceptional care for their humans.
- Past winners and committee members can participate.

Submit nominations to the Jot Form on the AWC Specialty Website:
<https://national.americanwhippetclub.org/willow-award/>

All submissions will be displayed during the week of the National and will receive a rosette. The recipient of the Willow Award will be announced at the 2026 AWC National Specialty Awards Banquet on Saturday, April 18, 2026.

Any questions or concerns, please contact:
Karla Simon
beachmtmama@msn.com
503-539-4751



AMERICAN
KENNEL CLUB

AKC® Code of Sportsmanship and Civility

Preface: The tradition of competitive purebred dog events predates 1884—the year the American Kennel Club (AKC®) was founded. Those involved in these sports share core values, including a strong commitment to sportsmanship and a welcoming, respectful culture that embraces the diverse community united by a love of dogs.

These values are evident across all aspects of the sport: conformation, performance, companion, and family dog activities. Many believe that the enduring principles of sportsmanship and civility are key reasons the sport has thrived for over 140 years.

Recognizing that periodically reaffirming our shared values strengthens our community, the revised code will be shared widely to highlight the foundational values and principles that define the sport.

- Sportspeople always place the welfare of their dog above all else.
- Sportspeople prioritize the long-term health and preservation of their breed, making decisions that reflect a deep commitment to responsible breeding and ownership.
- Sportspeople respect the history, traditions and integrity of the sport of purebred dogs.
- Sportspeople conduct themselves in a manner that reflects positively on the sport, the American Kennel Club, and themselves.
- Sportspeople appreciate, encourage and support all who associate with and participate in the sports by fostering an environment where respect, equity, inclusion, and courtesy are foundational.
- Sportspeople understand, uphold and abide by all AKC bylaws, rules, regulations and policies.
- Sportspeople contribute to a positive atmosphere at events by avoiding negative gossip, disparagement, or unsportsmanlike behavior.
- Sportspeople extend their values of civility, fairness, and respect to all digital and social media platforms.
- Sportspeople actively support the education and mentorship of newcomers, helping them learn the rules, values, and traditions of the sport in a respectful way.
- Sportspeople recognize that they are role models in the sport, and strive to lead by example through humility, kindness, and ethical conduct.
- Sportspeople treat fellow exhibitors, judges, officials, volunteers, spectators, and AKC staff with dignity and respect, regardless of experience, background, or differences in opinion.
- Sportspeople are committed to fair play, honesty, courtesy, and competition, approaching both winning and losing with grace.
- Sportspeople understand that strong competition and civility can—and should—coexist. They appreciate the quality of their competitors, and the effort put forth by others.
- Sportspeople uphold their responsibilities to the sport of purebred dogs and refuse to let personal gain or self-interest influence their decisions or behavior.
- The sportsperson judges only on the merits of the dogs and considers no other factors.
- The sportsperson judge or exhibitor accepts constructive criticism.
- The sportsperson exhibitor declines to enter or exhibit under a judge where it might reasonably appear that the judge's placements could be based on something other than the merits of the dogs.
- The sportsperson exhibitor refuses to compromise the impartiality of a judge.
- Sportspeople are willing to share honest and open appraisals of both the strengths and weaknesses of their breeding stock.
- Sportspeople decline to exploit any positions of authority or recognition for personal advantage.
- Sportspeople appreciate those that have gone before them and realize they are responsible for maintaining and enhancing the sport for future generations.



**Everything We Do,
We Do for Dogs.**

7/2025

ENTRY SUBMISSIONS, CANCELLATIONS, CHANGES, TRANSFERS

MAIL ENTRIES WITH FEES to PO Box 508, Burlington, WA 98233.

CANADIANS make all entry fees payable in U.S. funds.

FAX ENTRIES NOT ACCEPTED. An interactive entry blank PDF that can be filled out and mailed in is available for download at www.BaRayEvents.com.

ONLINE ENTRIES: Web site is **BaRayEvents.com** Follow instructions on Web site. \$3.00 charge per dog per show.

FEDEX, UPS, AIRBORNE or HAND-DELIVERED: Do NOT require signature. 113 E. Fairhaven Ave., Burlington, WA 98233.

PHONE ENTRIES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

CANCELLATIONS, CHANGES AND TRANSFERS will be accepted according to AKC Rules. Any refunds will be made within three weeks after the show. An administration fee may apply. (07/22)