COPPER CROWN SERIES

★ THE FINAL EVENT OF THE COPPER CROWN SERIES ★

HEDGEHOG Hustle

★ MARCH 12-14, 2027 ★

QUEEN CREEK, ARIZONA

Friday ★ March 12	Saturday ★ March 13	Sunday ★ March 14
Trials 1 & 2	Trials 1 & 2	Trials 1 & 2
ALL STOCK	ALL STOCK	ALL STOCK
COURSE D	COURSE F	COURSE H

PRE-ENTRIES OPEN

JANUARY 29 – FEBRUARY 5, 2027

★ PREMIUM INFORMATION ★

$770

SPECIAL PACKAGE PRICE

If Entering...

ALL CLASSES OF STOCK & ALL TRIALS

ENTRY FEES

	PRE-ENTRY	AFTER CLOSE
CATTLE	$60	$65
SHEEP	$50	$55
DUCKS	$40	$45

★ JUDGES ★

Tony Padgett
Canby Scott
Brad Warren

★ STOCK ★

BEEF CATTLE
ST. CROIX HAIR SHEEP
KHAKI CAMPBELL DUCKS

3-5 HEAD OF CATTLE & SHEEP
5 DUCKS

8 SILVER BUCKLES

RV PARKING WITH SERVICES AND CAMPING AVAILABLE

See Premium for Details

MEALS ON THE GREEN

CATERED LUNCH $15
CATERED DINNER $25

PREPAY TO GUARANTEE MEAL

50 ENTRIES PER STOCK PER DAY | OPEN TO ALL ASCA APPROVED HERDING BREEDS
RUN LIMITS AND JUDGING ASSIGNMENTS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE
CLUB & ONLINE ENTRY INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT www.ArizonaWorkingAussies.org

*ASCA SANCTION PENDING

Course Director	**Dan Sanderson**	**dan@dannomail.com**	**602/5271625**
Trial Secretary	**Diane Sanderson**	**contact@arizonaworkingaussies.org**	**602/ 620-0264**

Day Of Entries, if available	7:00 AM MST Daily
Handlers Meeting	7:30 AM MST Daily
Trial Begins:	Immediately after the Handler's meeting
Run Order	Provided Daily at Handlers Meeting

ENTRIES: Pre-entries January 29 – February 5, 2027

Entry Opening & Acceptance
Online and mail-in entries will be accepted on a **first-come, first-served** basis, beginning on the published opening date. **ENTRIES MUST NOT BE SUBMITTED ONLINE OR USPS POSTMARKED PRIOR TO JANUARY 29, 2027.** Online entries submitted prior to the opening date will be cancelled. Mail-in entries postmarked prior to the opening date will be returned unopened. Such entries will be considered invalid and will not retain priority or placement in the trial. **Entries will be prioritized by USPS postmark or electronic submission date and time stamp.**

Online Entry Forms
Online entries must be submitted using the Arizona Working Aussies (AWA), ASCA Stock Trial Entry Form formatted for online entry at https://ONLINEENTRIES.formstack.com/forms/awa_stockdog_trials. If the trial fills, a waiting list will be maintained based upon the applicable postmark or electronic submission date and time.

Entry Forms & Handler Responsibility
Mail-in entries must be submitted on the appropriate official ASCA Stockdog Entry Form and completed in full, including the dog's ASCA registration number or ASCA Other Breed registration number, when applicable. **One dog per Stockdog Trial Entry Form.** All information must be complete and legible. Incomplete or illegible entries may not be accepted. Entrants are responsible for the accuracy of all information submitted and should carefully review their entries before submission. No entry will be accepted if it includes conditions for acceptance. No facsimile, telegraph, telephone, email, or incomplete, or conditional entries will be accepted. **NO ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED THAT REQUIRE A SIGNATURE. IF USING OVERNIGHT OR EXPRESS MAIL, YOU MUST WAIVE THE SIGNATURE REQUIREMENT.** If the trial fills, a waiting list will be maintained based upon the applicable postmark or electronic submission date and time.

A **legible and current email address** is required for entry correspondence and status updates. Email is the primary method AWA will use to communicate regarding entries. AWA is not responsible for emails that are blocked by an internet or email provider, rejected by a server, or directed to spam or junk mail folders. Non-ASCA registered dogs may obtain an ASCA tracking number. Tracking forms and additional **ASCA forms and rule books** are available at www.asca.org under Quick Links, Forms and Rule Books. **Blank entry forms** will also be available at the end of this printed premium.

Payment & Entry Confirmation
Payment may be made by **Zelle or check payable to AWA. DO NOT SEND CASH.** For online entries, handlers choosing to mail a check will have their entry **held for a maximum of 10 calendar days from the date and time the online entry is submitted.** If payment is not received within the 10-day period, the entry will be **cancelled and the spaced released. No exceptions.** An entry is not considered **confirmed** until the completed entry and payment has been received and accepted by AWA. Once both have been received and accepted**, a confirmation email will be sent confirming acceptance of the entry in the Stockdog event Submit Mail-in Entries via U.S. Postal Service to:**
Arizona Working Aussies | 20026 E. Superstition Drive | Queen Creek, AZ 85142

Late Entries & Outstanding Balances
Entries submitted within 10 days of the start date are not entitled to a payment period extending beyond the beginning of the event. **All funds must be received by AWA prior to the trial start date.** If an outstanding balance remains at the start of the trial, the exhibitor **will not be permitted to run until payment has been made in full on site. No Exceptions.** Any runs missed due to an outstanding balance **will not be rescheduled, refunded, or otherwise accommodated. Hand**

delivery of entries ONLY on the day of trial. If the trial is not full, entries will be accepted on a first come, first served basis during the daily registration at 7:00 AM Arizona.

Checks, Returned Payments
Checks must be drawn on a U.S. bank and made payable to Arizona Working Aussies or AWA for the correct amount. Post dated checks will not qualify as valid payment. Returned checks do not constitute valid payment and will incur a **$25 service charge**. All legs and/or titles earned will be forfeited if the returned payment is not made good within five (5) days of notification and will be reported to ASCA. **No exceptions.** AWA reserves the right to require an exhibitor to pay on a **cash-only basis for future trials or** events following a returned payment.

Refunds
Entry fees are non-refundable after the closing date except as otherwise provided in the premium. Refunds will be issued **only with veterinary certification of illness or injury, or if an exhibitor on the waiting list is able to fill the run.**

Entry Changes, Substitutions & Move-Ups (Change Form MUST be completed)

- **Entries may not be sold or transferred to another exhibitor.** If an entry is cancelled or withdrawn, the available run(s) will be offered to exhibitors on the waiting list in established waiting-list order.
- A dog may be substituted only with another **owned or co-owned by the same owner who submitted the original entry,** subject to applicable ASCA rules. All substitution requests must be submitted **in writing to the Trial Secretary no later than the evening prior to the applicable trial.**
- **Move-ups must also be submitted in writing to the Trial Secretary no later than the evening prior to the applicable trial. Absolutely no move-ups will be accepted once the trial has begun.** All changes requested remain subject to eligibility, availability, and applicable ASCA rules.

Inclement Weather
Inclement weather alone does not constitute grounds for an exhibitor refund. Exhibitors who elect not to attend or withdraw due to weather or travel conditions are not eligible for a refund unless the conditions meet the specific refund provisions stated in this premium. **If official road closures, government issued travel restrictions, or weather conditions materially affecting safe travel to the event** occur, refund requests may be considered by AWA on a case-by-case basis. If AWA cancels all or a portion of the event, any applicable refund or credit will be determined based upon the circumstance, runs affected, and expenses already incurred. The safety and welfare of **exhibitors, dogs, livestock, judges, volunteers, and event personnel** will remain the priority when determining whether competition can safely continue.

Day of Trial Entries
If the trial is not full, hand-delivered entries may be accepted **on the day of the trial only**, on a first-come, first-served basis during daily registration beginning at **7:00 AM Arizona**. Day of trial entries and all associated fees must be completed and **paid in full before the exhibitor will be permitted to run.**

Vaccination Documentation
All dogs must have current vaccinations, including rabies vaccination, and exhibitors must be able to provide proof upon request.

TRIAL POLICIES & GENERAL INFORMATION

- These trials are sanctioned by ASCA and hosted by AWA. All ASCA rules apply.
- AWA its members, and the owners of the trial facility assume no responsibility for any loss, damage, or injury sustained by an exhibitor, handler, dog, property, child, spectator, or other attendee.
- No entry fees will be refunded if a trial cannot be completed due to riots, civil disturbances, public emergencies, severe weather, or other circumstances beyond the reasonable control of AWA or the owners of the trial facility.

Run Order & Trial Procedures

- Run order will be determined prior to the trials by random draw and posted each day.
- Exhibitors may run **only in the trial and class in which they are entered.** If you are not listed in the run order for a number trial, **DO NOT RUN YOUR DOG**. Contact the Trial Secretary immediately.
- Runs are expected to proceed according to the posted run order. Exhibitors are responsible for managing their runs between arenas and should proceed to an available run whenever possible. **Reasonable consideration will be given for conflicts between cattle, sheep, and duck runs**; however, exhibitors may not intentionally delay an available run to wait for a different group of stock. When an exhibitor is available and the arena is ready, **the trial must continue with the next available exhibitor.** Please do not delay the trial, judges, stock crew, or other exhibitors.
- **All cattle runs will be scheduled during the morning hours whenever possible** to avoid the warmer portion of the day and support the welfare of the livestock, dogs, handlers, and trial personnel.
- **Bitches in season will run in draw order** and must be crated or kept away from the spectator areas and trial arenas when not competing.
- Dogs must be **leashed or crated when not competing.**
- Dogs must be kept under control and should not be permitted to a create a disturbance for
- Exhibitors, spectators, and their dogs must remain a safe distance from the arenas while competition is underway.

Disqualifications

- If a dog is disqualified by a Judge or barred from a competition by the Trial Committee, or Course Director, **no refund will be issued.**

Facility & Grounds

- **Parking is permitted in designated areas only. No street parking.**
- Dogs may be pottied **only in designated areas. Exhibitors are responsible for immediately cleaning up after their dogs**.
- Trash receptacles are located throughout the property. Please help us maintain the D&D Mini Ranch grounds by properly disposing of all trash and leaving your area clean.
- **NO SMOKING** is permitted in or near spectator areas or within 50 feet of any structure.
- The spectator area provides shade. Designated parking has limited shade; exhibitors should plan accordingly and provide their own canopies or other appropriate shade for their setup as needed.

Questions, Concerns & Conduct

- Questions regarding a course should be directed to the **Course Director.**
- Concerns must be directed at the Course Director. Your concerns will be addressed timely, and if needed presented to the Trial Committee for handling. We will take your concerns seriously and thank you for collaborating with us to make this a great trial experience.
- **Exhibitors and spectators should not confront Judges or stock handlers during the trial while working.**
- AWA is committed to providing an organized, respectful, and enjoyable trial environment for exhibitors, officials, volunteers, spectators, and guests.

Score Sheets

Score sheets will be distributed in accordance with trial procedures. No score sheets will be handed out prior to awards. Exhibitors who will not be present when score sheets are available may provide a **self-addressed, stamped envelope** for mailing or plan to pick them up the following day.

TRIAL DETAILS

2027	TIME	COURSE	CATTLE	SHEEP	DUCKS
Friday, March 12	AM	D	Tony Padgett	Canby Scott	Brad Warren
Friday, March 12	PM	D	Brad Warren	Tony Padgett	Canby Scott
Saturday, March 13	AM	F	Canby Scott	Brad Warren	Tony Padgett
Saturday, March 13	PM	F	Tony Padgett	Canby Scott	Brad Warren
Sunday, March 14	AM	H	Brad Warren	Tony Padgett	Canby Scott
Sunday, March 14	PM	H	Canby Scott	Brad Warren	Tony Padgett

SPECIFICATIONS

East Arena (Cattle & Sheep): 160' x 266' **West Arena** (Cattle & Sheep): 160' x 266' **Duck Arena** 96' x 85'

STOCK

Cattle (3-5 Head Beef Cattle), Sheep (3-5 Head Hair Sheep), and Ducks (Khaki Campbell 5 Head).
Owners of dogs will be held responsible for all injuries to livestock during their runs. Replacement costs and/or Veterinary fees are the Handlers' responsibility. Replacement costs are $35 per duck; $200 per sheep and market value price per cow unless otherwise posted at the time of the trial. Veterinary fees as applicable.

DAILY AWARDS PER TRIAL

- **Ribbons for 1st through 4th place** for both class and division
- **Color Ribbons for Qualifying** scores in both class and division
- **Rosette Ribbons for High Score and High Combined** by division

BUCKLE AWARDS – 8 SILVER BUCKLES AWARDED for the WEEKEND

- **Most Promising Started Aussie***
- **Most Promising Started Other Breed***
- **High Combined NON-WTCH: ***Dogs of any breed who have not yet earned/qualified for a WTCH title prior to the first day of the event
- **High Combined WTCH Aussie:** Aussies that earned their WTCH before the trial begins
- **High Combined WTCH Other Breed:** Other breeds that earned their WTCH before the trial begins
- **High Combined Cattle**: All breeds and divisions eligible
- **High Combined Sheep**: All breeds and divisions eligible
- **High Combined Ducks**: All breeds and divisions eligible

A dog may compete for any high combined award as often as they like for a 90-day period after winning any high combined award at any ASCA sanctioned trial. After 90 days of winning a high combined Non-WTCH or Most Promising Started award at any ASCA sanctioned trial, the dog is ineligible to compete for or win the same buckle or overall award if competing in the same division. A dog that is ineligible to compete for a high combined award is allowed to compete indefinitely at the level for which they have qualified. This dog will be eligible for all placement awards offered in that class and division.

- *ALL Scores will be used in ALL High Combined calculations
- To be eligible for an overall combined buckle, the dog must enter all classes of stock each trial
- **Owners must designate non-WTCH or WTCH buckle with entry**
- Started dog must remain in the Started division, for ALL TRIALS within the EVENT, to be eligible for Most Promising Started Aussie

OTHER PRIZES MAY BE AWARDED

For a copy of ASCA rules, contact ASCA or go to www.asca.org

FOOD - Checks Payable to: Arizona Working Aussies or AWA ***All funds can be combined on a single entry**

Lunch will be available on site for **$15 per person/per day. Meals MUST be Pre-Paid.** Include with trial entry.
Dinner will be available on site for **$25 per person/per day. Meals MUST be Pre-Paid.** Include with trial entry.

LODGING – Checks Payable to: Arizona Working Aussies or AWA ***All funds can be combined on a single entry**

Below is a list of some recommended hotels, there are a wide selection of hotels in the area that are dog friendly. Please verify dog policies and room rates when making reservations. Pet fees may apply.

EARLY RESERVATIONS are STRONGLY RECOMMENDED due to the high demand for rooms during the winter months.

Hampton Inn Queen Creek (2.5 miles)	20768 E Maya Road, Queen Creek, AZ 85142	480/ 888-7474
Holiday Inn Express & Suites (4.9 miles)	5530 S Power Road, Gilbert, AZ 85295	480/ 507-3000
La Quinta Inn & Suites (12 miles)	6530 East Superstition Springs Blvd., Mesa, AZ 85206	480/ 654-1970

RV PARKING & CAMPING

The D&D Mini-Ranch has RV Parking available for $30.00 per night, POWER AND WATER ARE INCLUDED.
****YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR YOUR OWN HOSES: FRESH WATER & GRAY WATER & ELECTRICAL CORDS****

CAMPING RESERVATIONS: Reservations first come first serve.
We can accommodate additional Tents/Campers: $20 per night with WATER ONLY. $10 per night DRY.

ALL overnight RV parking, tents and campers will be In the lot east of the D&D Mini-Ranch, follow posted signs.

Monte Vista Village RV Resort (9 mi/15 min)	8865 East Baseline Road, Mesa, AZ 85209	480/ 833-2223
Silver Ridge RV Resort (12 mi/20 min)	8265 East Southern Avenue, Mesa, AZ 85209	800/ 354-0054
La Hacienda RV Resort (14 mi/20 min)	1797 West 28th Avenue, Apache Junction, AZ 85220	480/ 982-2808
VIP Resort (15.8 mi/20min)	401 S Ironwood Drive, Apache Junction, AZ 85120	480/ 983-0847

AIRPORTS

Mesa Gateway Airport	(4 miles - approximately 10 minutes)
Phoenix Sky Harbor	(33 miles – approximately 40 minutes)

VETERNARIAN

A veterinarian will not be on site or on call. The following local veterinary facilities are provided for reference.

ARISE Veterinary Center (24-hour)	**21419 S Ellsworth Rd, 85142**	**480/ 746-6600**
Queen Creek Vet Clinic (24-hour)	**18610 E Rittenhouse Rd., Bldg B, 85142**	**480/ 576-7752**
1st Pet Veterinary Center Mesa	**5404 E Southern Ave., Mesa, 85206**	**480/ 924-1123**

VOLUNTEERS MAKE IT HAPPEN

Great trials depend on great volunteers! Whether you can help for a few runs or an entire event, **every bit of help keeps our trials running smoothly.**

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:
Stock Setters: Cattle | Sheep | Ducks
Timers | Scribes

No experience necessary, we'll help you get started.

Give back. Get involved. Be part of what makes the trial happen.

Interested in helping? Contact Dan Sanderson, 602/ 527-1625.

PARTNER WITH US

Help support exceptional Stockdog events and the teams who make them possible.

Donations and sponsorships help enhance our awards, hospitality and overall event experience while supporting the continued growth of the working dog community.

PARTNERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES
Silver Buckles | Awards & Rosettes | Meals on the Green | Event Support | In-Kind Donations| Custom Partnerships

Every contribution helps us make an impact.

Support the sport. Celebrate the teams. Be part of the experience.

Interested in partnering with us? Visit the **Donors & Sponsors** page on our website or speak with an Arizona Working Aussies representative.