

PVSSC AKC FASTCAT TRIALS!!



The first PVSSC FastCAT Trials went off without a hitch on November 3-4 in Union Bridge, Maryland. Somehow we also managed to avoid the bad weather that preceded and followed our weekend (including a nearby tornado Friday night!) In fact, we probably had two of the nicest days of the entire autumn. Crisp, clear, cool – perfect to get those doggy juices flowing. Add to that an ideal site, with shade, picnic pavilion, heated meeting room and toilets, and a hot lunch catered by the ladies of the church next door. What more could you want?

This was an all-breed trial, and we had participants from the teeny (Russell Terrier) to the huge (Newfoundland) and everything in between. We held four trials, two each day, and in total had 329 qualifying runs. There were 22 schnauzers entered, and 10 schnauzers ran for the first time Saturday AM. Most of them seemed to have a great time chasing that plastic bunny (er, bag) down the course!

Quite a few members' dogs completed FastCAT titles that weekend (see **Braggs** and also, **New Titles**). We also had some **Special Standard Schnauzer awards**:

Fastest First Timer: Diana (Bell); Fastest male: Jax (White); Fastest female: Sophie (Holden); Female Veteran: Penelope (Bell); Male Veteran: Schweitzer (Marsh & Derenzis).

Special thanks are due Michelle Bell, our Trial Chair and to Ching-yao Yu, Trial Secretary and our expert and patient course-master. Huge thanks also to all of the volunteers- Pat White, Denise Tokarcik, Chris Bell, Joy Becker, Gail Mackiernan, Jeremy and Abby Holden, Suzanne Carson, Carol Filer, Sue Anne Howell, Ila Schmeling, Lovey Lyons, Melissa Dimeler, and Lisa Klepp, our super photographer.

If you are looking for more FastCAT "action" You can check the AKC Events website, but Michelle Bell says the best place is to go on Facebook and join a group called "Mid-Atlantic All Breed Lure Coursing." This is where local clubs post their events, which ones are full vs open, and other updates as they happen.



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