

## DIRECTIONS TO RASPBERRY RIDGE SHEEP FARM

**From the East:** Interstate Route 80 West through New Jersey to Exit 4 (Columbia/Blairstown). Follow signs to Portland, PA / Delaware River Toll Bridge; continue straight on PA 611 South through Mt. Bethel. Follow directions from \*\* below.

**From Central New Jersey** – Take I-287 to I-78 West. Take NJ Route 31 North, then Route 46 West. Follow signs to Portland, PA toll bridge and take PA 611 South through Mt. Bethel. Follow directions from \*\* below.

**From the West** – Take Interstate 80 East through PA to Exit 310. Follow PA 611 South through Mt. Bethel. Follow directions from \*\*\* below.

**From Allentown, PA** – Take Route 22 East to PA. 33 North. Exit at PA 191 at Bangor/Stockertown. Take PA 191 North to Bangor. In Bangor, go straight through 2 stop lights. At 3<sup>rd</sup> light (blinking), turn right. Turn left at stop sign. Go 1/4 mile and turn right onto Ridge Road. Go about 3 miles and make sharp left onto Lake Minsi Drive (if you reach a 4-way stop sign intersection when driving on Ridge Road, you have gone too far). On Lake Minsi Drive, follow from \*\*\* below.

\*\* Turn right on PA 512 (bank and dental office on corner). Go exactly 1.5 miles and turn right onto Lillian Lane. Cross RR tracks and bear to the left up hill. Immediately after a 4-way stop, the road forks; take the right fork; this is Lake Minsi Drive.

\*\*\* On Lake Minsi Drive, go 0.6 miles. Turn left into gravel lane--mailbox #2167. You are now at **Raspberry Ridge Sheep Farm**. Drive into marked parking areas near house and barn.

### LODGINGS (that accept dogs)

**Budget Inn and Suites:** Exit 308 on I-80, East Stroudsburg, PA (888) 233-8144.

**View Inn:** US Rt. 22, PA Rt. 191 Exit, Bethlehem, PA (610) 865-6300

**Super 8 Stroudsburg:** Exit 308 on I-80, East Stroudsburg, PA (570) 424-7411

**Baymont Inn & Suites:** Exit 302, on I-80, Bartonsville, PA (570) 476-1500

**Raspberry Ridge Sheep Farm:** 1.) Limited B&B rooms available, 3 night minimum @ \$270.

2.) Parking available for RVs, travel trailers & tents on-site—(limited electric hook-ups, 30-50 amps). No water hook-ups or sewage disposal. Please call 484-553-3077 to reserve space.

3.) 27' Travel trailer with a/c, elec. Heater, electric, no water (bottle water provided), no shower/toilet (use outside porto potty & water sources), electric hot plate, kettle, refrigerator/freezer, queen bed, sofa, dinette; linens, limited place settings, pots, bowls, cutlery, cups & cleaning supplies provided, space for crating dogs, 2 night minimum @ \$110.

**REFRESHMENTS: Nothing available for purchase on premises**

## PREMIUM LIST American Tending Breeds Association of Pennsylvania



### AHBA Licensed Herding Test and Trial

Open to all eligible dogs according to the guidelines of the AHBA Rulebook.

**Sunday April 21, 2024 8:30 AM**

**Judge: Val Manning**

**Entries Open: 8:00 AM on Friday March 8, 2024**

**Entries close: April 9, 2024 8:00 PM;**

**Day-of Entries Accepted to Limits**

**Sheep-JHD (Junior Herding Dog Test)**

**Sheep-HTD- I, II, III (shed for III)**

(Sheep Outrun will be: I-100 yd, II-100 yd, III-200 yd.)

**Sheep-HTAD-I, II, III (Course # 2, gather, shed for III)**

**Sheep-HRD-I, II, III**

**Sheep-RLF-I, II, III**

**Ducks- JHD, HTAD – I, II, III (Course #2, gather, shed for III)**

**Ducks-HTD -I, II, III (shed for III)**

(Duck Outrun will be 75')

Tests & Trial will be held outdoors at:

Raspberry Ridge Sheep Farm

2167 Lake Minsi Drive; Bangor, PA 18013

Grounds will be open Sunday, 7:30 AM to one hour past last run.

## ATBA-sponsored AHBA Herding Trial

**Start Time: 8:30AM, April 21, 2024**

Total entries are limited to 50 per judge or 8 hours of judging.  
Livestock limits: 18 duck runs. 40 Sheep runs.

**Entry Fees: JHD, HTAD, HTD— \$50.00. HRD & RLF-- \$65.**  
**JUDGE: Val Manning, 1227 E County Road 82, Wellington, CO 80549-2113**

**Livestock:** Call Ducks and Mixed Breed Sheep. Entrant agrees to replacement cost at market value for serious injury/death or to pay for total medication costs for slight injury. Market value is \$300.00 per sheep and \$40.00 per duck.

HRD course: minimum 10 sheep per run.

RLF course: minimum of 25 sheep per run.

HTAD & HTD courses- 5 ducks per run; 3-5 sheep per run.

JHD: 5 ducks per run; 3-5 sheep per run.

Entries not on the ATBA April 2024 official AHBA entry forms are UNACCEPTABLE. Entries will not be accepted without fees. **Entries will not be accepted without being signed and dated.** No refund for duplicate entries or any other cause beyond the control of the Club after closing date. Returned checks do not constitute a valid entry. The ATBA treasurer will add a collection fee to the amount of each returned check. Canadian exhibitors must submit entries with international money orders in US funds. Telephone, telegraph, fax, email and unsigned entries cannot be accepted. Changes, additions, or corrections to Entry Forms must be received in writing prior to the close of entries. The ATBA may decline entries for cause and may refuse to accept an entry or may remove any dog on account of disease, viciousness, or other cause and no one shall have any claim or recourse against ATBA or any official thereof.

Submit entries with fees in US funds to: **ATBA**

**% Tina Chmielewski, 628 Blue Ridge Avenue, Bangor, PA 18013**

Checks or money orders are to be made payable to **ATBA**.

**Entries sent by delivery services must be marked for delivery without a signature.**

Entry forms and information can be downloaded at [www.atba-herding.org](http://www.atba-herding.org)

### Board of Directors of the American Tending Breeds Association

President: Robert Dunning, 2167 Lake Minsi Dr., Bangor, PA 18013

Vice-President: Carolyn Wilki, 2167 Lake Minsi Dr., Bangor, PA 18013

Treasurer: Nancianne Edwards, 241 Morewood Rd, Telford, PA 18969

Board Members: Adam Grayhack, Rachael Apanovitch, Lisa Gasser, Faith Clayton, Bonnie Edwards

### TRIAL COMMITTEE

<b>Chairperson:</b> Carolyn Wilki		<b>Assistant Chairperson:</b> Art Olson	
<b>Trial Secretary:</b> Tina Chmielewski, 628 Blue Ridge Ave, Bangor, PA 18013 <b>phone:</b> 610-417-8393 <b>email:</b> tina.chmielewski@yahoo.com			
<b>Course Director</b>	Adam Grayhack	<b>Chief Livestock Handler</b>	Sara Geer
<b>Chief Steward</b>	Rachael Apanovitch	<b>Awards</b>	Joann Harvey

### Veterinary Services On Call

**Creature Comforts** (24 hr.): Old Route 115, Saylorsburg, PA.  
(570) 992-0400 or (610) 381-2287

**Mt. Bethel Animal Hospital** (570) 897-5409

Exhibitors should follow their veterinarians' recommendation to assure their dogs are free of internal and external parasites, any communicable diseases, and have appropriate vaccinations.

### Rosettes, Ribbons, and Trophies for Trial

#### Tiebreakers between or across courses/levels (each 40 points maximum):

First Tiebreaker—

**HTAD:** Scores from Gather + Drive + Obstacle 1 (Y chute).

**HTD:** Scores from Outrun/Lift + Fetch.

**HRD & RLF:** Scores from Exit from Pen + Fetch/Drive & Bridge-Footbath (Incl. Drive Leg & Hold) to just before Graze. (Sheep placed in graze; dog & handler take position for gather) + Gather (from Graze) to Blue Cone onto Road.

Second Tiebreaker—abridged run-off of course/level as described in First Tiebreaker.

Third Tiebreaker—Coin flip by judge.

Test Classes: Qualifying Score: Dark Green Ribbons or Rosettes.

Trial Classes: High In Trial – Dog gift basket & Rosette

Reserve High In Trial – Dog gift basket filled with treats & Rosette

Highest Score in each trial class – Dog toy

1<sup>st</sup> - 4<sup>th</sup> highest scores for each Trial class – Rosettes or Ribbons

Qualifying Score – Dark Green Rosettes or Ribbons

### OFFICIAL AHBA ENTRY FORM

**Name of Club Sponsoring Event:** American Tending Breeds Association

**Location:** Raspberry Ridge Sheep Farm, 2167 Lake Minsi Drive, Bangor, PA

**Time & Date of Event:** April 21, 2024 8:30 AM - 6:30 PM.

Make checks or money orders payable to: **ATBA**.

**JHD, HTAD, HTD— \$50.00 per entry; HRD & RLF-- \$65 per entry.**

Send registration form with check or money order to:

**Tina Chmielewski, Trial Secretary, 628 Blue Ridge Avenue, Bangor, PA 18013**

**ELIGIBILITY**

All dogs nine months of age or older are eligible to participate in Herding Trials and JHD. No dog may be entered in two classes on the same course with the same kind of stock under the same judge at any Test/Trial. Bitches in season shall run in drawn running order without adjustment. *Maximum of 50 entries per judge accepted.*

**IMPORTANT. READ THIS BEFORE SIGNING.**

In consideration for participation in an event sanctioned by the American Herding Breed Association (AHBA), I agree to assume all responsibility for any claim, loss or damage, of whatever kind or nature, whether to person or property, which may be caused at or near this event, either directly or indirectly, by me or the dog or dogs I have entered in or brought to this event. I further agree that I will hold the AHBA, its officers, directors, agents and members harmless and defend them from any and all liability for any injury, claim, damage or loss, of whatever kind or nature, whether to person or property, caused at or near this event, whether directly or indirectly, by me or any dog I have entered in or brought to this event. I agree to indemnify the AHBA, its officers, directors, agents and members for any loss, cost or expense including attorneys' fees and costs, to which the AHBA, its officers, directors, agents or members might be subject as a result of any claim, suit, loss or damage caused in any way by any act or negligence on my part or on the part of any dog or dogs I have entered in or brought to this event. I acknowledge that while the AHBA may provide sanctioning for this event with regard to the issuing of titles, it does not have and does not exercise control over the conduct of the event or those present.

I CERTIFY and represent that the dog or dogs I have entered in or brought to this event is/are not a hazard to other dogs, other animals, or to people.

I CERTIFY that I am the actual owner of the dog or that I am the duly authorized agent of the actual owners whose name I have entered.

In consideration of the acceptance of this entry, I (we) agree to abide by the Rules and Regulations of the AHBA in effect at the time of this Herding Test or Trial or both, and further agree to be bound by the agreement printed above. The entry is submitted on the foregoing representation and agreement.

**Signature of Owner &/or Agent** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

Please enter one dog per Entry Form. Place "X" in box(es) of class(es)/trial(s) you want to enter.

Entry	Fee	Stock	Course/Class	Entry	Fee	Stock	Course/Class
	\$50	5 Ducks	HTD I		\$50	3-5 Sheep	HTD I
	\$50	5 Ducks	HTD II		\$50	3-5 Sheep	HTD II
	\$50	5 Ducks	HTD III		\$50	3-5 Sheep	HTD III
	\$50	5 Ducks	HTAD I		\$50	3-5 Sheep	HTAD I
	\$50	5 Ducks	HTAD II		\$50	3-5 Sheep	HTAD II
	\$50	5 Ducks	HTAD III		\$50	3-5 Sheep	HTAD III
	\$65	25 Sheep +	RLF I		\$65	10 Sheep	HRD I
	\$65	25 Sheep +	RLF II		\$65	10 Sheep	HRD II
	\$65	25 Sheep +	RLF III		\$65	10 Sheep	HRD III
	\$50	3-5 Sheep	JHD		\$50	5 Ducks	JHD

NOTE: A dog must be entered in the name of the person(s) who actually owns it at the time entries are made for the Herding Test or Trial.

**A Registration or Tracking Number must be included.**

Actual Owner(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Country: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Agent's Name (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone (Agent only): \_\_\_\_\_

Email (Agent only): \_\_\_\_\_

Full Name of Dog: \_\_\_\_\_

Registry: \_\_\_\_\_ OR Tracking Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Sex: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Place of Birth \_\_\_ USA \_\_\_ CANADA \_\_\_ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Breed: \_\_\_\_\_ Variety: \_\_\_\_\_

Breeder: \_\_\_\_\_

Sire: \_\_\_\_\_

Dam: \_\_\_\_\_

## HRD & RLF Course: General Description

The course is laid out in a 20-acre field which slopes upwards to a crest of a ridge. The perimeter is fenced with box wire field fencing, 40" high. Physical description of course obstacles and features are listed below.

There are several draws for the sheep on this course. In general, this course tests the ability of the Handler and dog to read and react to the impact these draws have on the sheep so that the flock movement, grazing, gathering, holding, and sorting tasks can be completed efficiently.

Orange cones, where specified, will mark the *inside* of all turns on the course. Blue cones will mark the Handler's Gather post for all levels; "Road" and "Graze" edges on the course are marked by furrows. Graze corners are marked with orange cones. Hold/halt zones are marked with cones on both sides of the road.

Water should be available on the course for the dogs and in the pens for the sheep.

Except if otherwise specified by the judge, movement on the course is generally in the counter-clockwise direction on the road around the field.

The sheep should move steadily and quietly along the roads, without rushing, lagging, or weaving. **The combination of shortest paths traveled on line, on course, and smoothest, quietest movement of sheep, dog, and Handler should receive the highest score. The dog should do most of the work (except for the opening and closing of pen gates).**

Except where otherwise specified in these rules, Handler and dog may take any position necessary relative to the flock.

**If more than half the flock is 150 feet (50 yards) off course for longer than 5 minutes, if the sheep are being repeatedly harassed by the dog, or if the dog is working out of control without any chance of the Handler regaining control, then the run should be terminated.**

For **Level I**, the judge may request an experienced dog and stock handler positioned on the ridge to help prevent sheep from bolting to the top of the ridge, one of the draws.

**No. of sheep per HRD run: 10. No. of sheep per RLF run: 25 minimum.**

**The time limits and total approximate distances the sheep travel for each course:**

Level I: 20 minutes, 580 yards

Level II: 30 minutes, 680 yards

Level III: 35 minutes, 925 yards (sheep), (plus an extra 245 yards for person and dog to hike back to retrieve the remaining sheep in the Holding Pen Option).

**Ties within classes & courses will be broken on:**

1) Highest score for **Graze**

2) Highest score for **Exit From Take Pen**

**Physical Description of Course Obstacles and Features:**

**Blue cone**-- The judge or judge's assistant should carry/move a **blue cone** to mark the **Handler's Post** for the **Gather** at a **Graze exit**.

Orange cones and yellow-green cones – placed as specified in course description.

***Runs will be disqualified:***

***1. if a Take Pen Gate is not secured and closed by the Handler at any Re-Pen or when leaving the Holding Pen;***

***2. if the Handler enters the Holding Pen during a Sort;***

***3. or if any sheep remain unpenned by end of the run.***

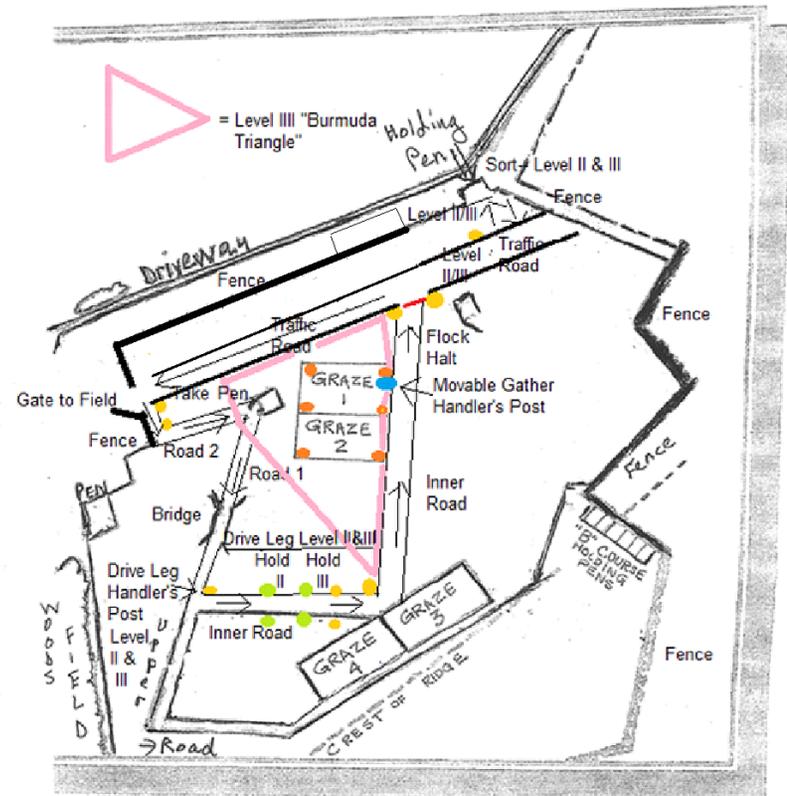
***4. Sheep are harassed or are running amuck.***

SCORING for HRD and RLF	LEVEL		
	I	II	III
Name of Exercise			
1. Exit from Pen	10	10	10
2. Before Graze: Fetch/Drive & Bridge-Footbath (including II & II: Drive Leg & Hold)	20	20	20
3. Graze (5 Minutes)	20	20	20
4. Gather	15	15	15
5. After Gather: Fetch/Drive & Flock Halt	20	15	15
6. Sort	--	5	5
7. Gamblers Option: Holding Pen or Outrun	--	--	10
8. Re-Pen (Both 1st & 2nd times for Level III)	10	10	10
<b>TOTAL POSSIBLE POINTS</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>100</b>
Minimum Points to Qualify (70%)	63	63	70
Maximum Time of Run (minutes)	20	30	35
Length of Course (yards)	580	680	925-1170

### HRD and RLF OBSTACLE DESCRIPTIONS:

Take Pen:	32 ft. x 32 ft., fencing 40 inches high, 12-foot gate ("Take Pen" in diagram) HRD 10 sheep min. RLF 25 sheep min.
Road 1:	12 ft. wide; edges marked by furrows, Pen to Inner Road = 182 feet.
Bridge-Footbath:	bridge panels approximately 12 ft. wide, 18 ft. long, field floor
Inner Road:	12 ft. wide; edges marked by furrows, total length = 740 feet; sub-length from Road 1 to sharp angle turn = 244 feet.
Traffic Road:	18 ft. wide; edges marked by furrows, total length = 450 feet.
Road 2:	12 ft. wide, edges marked by fence and furrow, and goes back to Take Pen. Road 2 from End of Traffic Road to Take Pen = 146 feet.
Holding Pen:	16 feet x 16 feet with a 12 foot gate and 48 inch tall fencing.
HRD & RLF— Sort Sheep: (Levels II and III)	HRD: 3 sheep sorted, including at least 1 marked sheep (3 sheep are marked). RLF: 10 sheep sorted, including at least 3 marked sheep (10 sheep are marked)

### HRD and RLF Course Diagram:



## HRD and RLF Courses: Step-by-Step Description

[\*see “**HRD & RLF Course: General Description**” (above) for dimensions, maximum times, distances, flock size, and description of obstacles and features.]

### 1. Exit from Take Pen

At the Handler’s discretion, the Take Pen gate can remain in an open or closed position after the Exit from the Take Pen. Level I Handler can enter the take pen with or without dog. Level II & III Handler cannot enter the Take Pen without penalty.

### 2. Fetch/Drive and Bridge-Footbath Level I; plus Drive Leg, Level II & III

The flock travels along **Road 1** in a counter-clockwise direction around field, traveling through the **Bridge-Footbath**.

**Bridge-Footbath:** Only flock must go through the **Bridge-Footbath**. Handler and dog can go around or through.

After Bridge-Footbath:

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**Level I:** Flock continues onto the **Inner Road**, making left turns (at orange cones), and goes to the assigned **Graze** area. The **Graze** area is **Graze 1, 2, 3, or 4** (at judge’s discretion).

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**Level II Drive Leg:** Flock continues onto the **Inner Road**. The **Handler’s Post (orange corner cone along edge of Inner Road)** marks the beginning of a **60-foot drive leg** along the **Inner Road for Level II**. The Handler must remain on the road behind the **Handler’s post** until the flock passes the first **2 yellow-green cones**, marking the end of the drive leg.

**Level II Hold:** Dog will then hold the flock in the area marked by the **4 yellow-green cones on the Inner Road**, until the Handler reaches and/or passes the Hold area and the flock. Flock then continues on Inner Road to assigned **Graze** area.

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**Level III Drive Leg:** Flock continues onto the **Inner Road**. The **Handler’s Post (orange cone at corner of Road 1 and the Inner Road)** marks the beginning of a **120-foot drive leg** along the **Inner Road**. The Handler must remain on the road behind the **Handler’s post** until the flock passes the second set of **2 yellow-green cones**, marking the end of the drive leg.

**Level III Hold:** Dog will then hold the flock in the area marked by the **2 yellow-green cones and 2 orange cones**, until the Handler reaches and/or passes this Hold area and the flock. Flock then continues on Inner Road to assigned **Graze** area.

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### 3. Graze

**Handlers** may lead the flock into the **Graze** area and dog and handler may move anywhere in or out of the **Graze** area at any time. Time for the **Graze** is **5 minutes**.

At the **Graze**, the dog may move, stand, sit, or lie down. Dog can go drink water. Commands may be given, but the calmest picture with sheep grazing in graze should receive highest score. A dog allowing or causing the sheep to leave the graze pre-maturely should be penalized depending on the number that cross a border, each occurrence.

### 4. Gather

The Handler and dog must first go to the **blue cone (placed by the judge so that the distances required by AHBA rules for the Gather can be achieved)** marking the **Handler’s Post**. The exercise begins when the dog and Handler are both within 5 feet of the Handler’s Post and the judge says “Gather.” The Gather ends when the flock has gone counter-clockwise around the post and is back on the road.

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**Level I:** The flock can be in the graze as close as **60 feet (20 yards)** to the Handler’s Post at the start of the Gather for **HRD I**. The Handler may take a **position as close as 15 feet to the flock** before the dog starts the **Gather**.

If the flock is more than 60 feet away, the dog then may be taken to a point *roughly 60 feet from the flock*, and the Handler may take a **position as close as 15 feet to the flock** before the dog starts the **Gather**. (As points of reference, the Grazes No. 1-4 are 75 feet wide by 150 feet long.)

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**Level II:** The handler and dog both should be **at least 60 feet** from the flock at the start of the **Gather**. (The Grazes No. 1-4 are 75 feet wide by 150 feet long.)

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**Level III:** The handler and dog should be **at least 120 feet** from the flock at the start of the **Gather**. (The Grazes No. 1-4 are 75 feet wide by 150 feet long.)

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**5. Fetch/Drive and Flock Halt (and 6.Sort - Level II & III and 7. Gambler's Option-III)**

Flock continues traveling in counter-clockwise direction around field on **Inner Road** until reaching "T" intersection with **Traffic Road**, where flock is halted.

**Flock Halt--** At the T-Intersection of **Inner Road** with the **Traffic Road (marked by orange cones)**, dog halts forward progress of flock by standing in front of flock and holding it while the Handler moves away from flock (at least 10 ft.) to "look" for traffic on the **Traffic Road**. Dog should be positioned somewhere on same side of the course as the Flock Halt's orange cones (**During flock halt, the dog is to be penalized if dog moves into or crosses over the Traffic Road**). Handler returns to the flock. After the Flock Halt, the movement of the flock continues.

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**Level I:** The flock makes a left turn directly onto the **Traffic Road**. The flock must stay on the **Traffic Road**, turn left along the fence, and turn left again to return to the **Take Pen**.

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**Level I Re-Pen** Re-pen scoring starts 30 feet from Take Pen. If the Handler elected to close the Take Pen gate at the beginning of the run, the dog will hold the flock quietly and in a stationary position away from the gate so the Handler can

open the gate smoothly. If the Handler chose to leave the Take Pen gate open at the beginning of the run, then the flock can return directly into the **Take Pen**. The run is complete when all the sheep are inside the pen and the Take Pen gate is closed.

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**Level II & III after Flock Halt:** The flock makes a **right turn** onto the **Traffic Road**. The Handler and flock then leave the **Traffic Road** by turning counter-clockwise around the orange cone on their left and head towards the **Holding Pen** gate.

**6. Level II & III Sort:** **Sort** starts when the Handler first opens the Holding Pen gate. Sheep can be sorted into or out of the Holding Pen. Dog can go into the pen, but Handler cannot. Three sheep are marked for HRD/ 10 sheep for RLF. Three sheep are sorted out of pen for HRD, including at least 1 marked sheep. (Ten sheep are sorted out of pen for RLF, including at least 3 marked sheep.) **Sort** is over when the HRD 3 sorted sheep (or RLF 10 sorted sheep) re-enter the **Traffic Road, go clockwise around the orange cone,** with remainder sheep in the **Holding Pen**.

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**HRD/RLF II & III After Sort:** The HRD 3 (or RLF 10) sheep stay on the **Traffic Road to the end**, then turn left to **Road 2** along fence, **then turn left again at the orange cone, and return to the Take Pen, to Re-Pen**.

**8. Level II & III—HRD 3 (or RLF 10) Sheep Re-pen:** **Re-pen scoring starts 30 feet from Take Pen.** If the Handler elected to close the Take Pen gate at the beginning of the run, the dog will hold the flock quietly and in a stationary position away from the Take Pen gate so the Handler can open the gate smoothly. If the Handler chose to leave the Take Pen gate open at the beginning of the run, then the flock can return directly into the **Take Pen**. Level II is completed when HRD 3 (or RLF 10) sheep are in the Take Pen with the gate closed. For Level II and III, dog and Handler are not allowed in Take Pen without penalty. Level III is now ready to start the "Gambler's Option."

## **7. Level III “Gamblers” Option-- Holding Pen or Outrun** **(2nd Task Fetch/Drive)**

This exercise begins after the Re-pen of the HRD 3 (or RLF 10) sorted sheep. It ends when the remainder sheep are within 30 feet of the **Take Pen Gate**. After fastening the gate of the Take Pen, the Handler will declare whether he/she opts for the “**Holding Pen**” or “**Outrun**” option.

### **“Holding Pen Option”**

1. The Handler and dog return to the Holding Pen so that the Handler can open the gate and allow the sheep to come out. The Handler may not go into the Holding Pen.
2. The Holding Pen gate is re-fastened by the Handler while the dog holds the sheep.
3. Sheep then are taken back to the Traffic Road, going clockwise around the orange cone in front of the Holding Pen. The flock must stay on the **Traffic Road to the end**, then turn left to **Road 2** along fence, **left again at orange cone**, and back to the **Take Pen**, to **Re-Pen**. Level III is completed with all sheep in the Take Pen with the gate closed.

### **“Outrun Option”**

1. As soon as this option is chosen, the course director or livestock handler will release the remainder sheep from the Holding Pen and secure the closed gate.
2. The Handler and dog can move to any position in the portion of the field in a “**Bermuda Triangle**” bound by inner portion of: 1.) the Traffic Road, 2.) the Inner Road portion running north-south on the field, and outer portion of 3.) Road 1 in front of Take Pen.
3. The sheep must be a minimum of 120 feet away from the Handler and/or dog at the start of the dog’s outrun. The sheep do not have to be in sight.
4. During the outrun/lift/fetch, the Handler can move anywhere within the “Bermuda Triangle.” The dog starts in the Bermuda Triangle and can move anywhere on the field to get to the sheep.
5. The Handler’s objective is to move the sheep on the shortest line from lift back to the Take Pen gate.

## **8. Level III Final Re-Pen**

Scoring starts 30 feet from the Take Pen gate. Level III scoring includes both re-pens. On the final Re-pen, it is not necessary for the dog to hold the sheep away from the Take Pen gate before re-penning, but sheep should not crowd Handler or gate. Level III is completed with all sheep in the Take Pen when the Take Pen gate is closed. Dog and Handler are not allowed in the Take Pen without penalty.