



# Heartland Coursing Association

## LGRA and AOK9 Race Meet

Saturday, April 19 and Sunday, April 20 2025

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Heartland Coursing Association invites you to join us for a spring 200 yard LGRA and AOK9 race meet!

Roll Call and Inspection will begin at 8:30 AM

Racing starts at 9:00 AM

### ENTRY FEES

Early entries due Wednesday Apr 16, 2025

Early entry: \$15 per dog up to \$60 per household and \$5 per additional hound

Day of Entry: \$20 per hound

Worker Discount: \$12 per dog up to \$48 per household (See Signup sheet for details)

### SEND LGRA and AOK9 ENTRIES TO RACE SECRETARY

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Payment methods:

By Check: Make checks payable to Heartland Coursing Association

By PayPal: [hca\\_treas@heartlandcoursing.com](mailto:hca_treas@heartlandcoursing.com)

### ALL HOUNDS MUST BE REGISTERED WITH LGRA OR R.A.C.E. PRIOR TO ENTRY

### IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Please bring water and shade for your hounds.

Race meets will be 3 programs, 4 dog races, 200 yard straight sprints

All breeds will be hand-slipped.

Bring race blanket and muzzles, the club does not have extra blankets.

AOK9 entries will be limited to 15 for both Saturday and Sunday

AOK9 Singles entries will be limited to 10 for both Saturday and Sunday

## **WHAT IS LGRA**

Similar to straight racing done by whippets in NAWRA, WRA and CWA, the hounds race 200 yards on a straight, flat track.

Hounds are graded according to previous racing experience or using the LGRA "WAVE", a weighted average of the dog's last three race meets.

There are three programs with heats made up of a maximum of four dogs. All dogs must run with properly fitted muzzles and race blankets. Dogs are released from racing boxes or hand-slipped, depending on the club and equipment available.

Winners earn points towards the Gazehound Racing Champion title (12 GRC points). While working towards this title, the hound also earns points towards the Superior Gazehound Racing Champion title (30 NRC points).

## **WHAT IS AOK9**

The AOK9 Program is designed to be a supplement to LGRA or NOTRA-OB events and its rules are parallel to LGRA and NOTRA-OB rules, with a few modifications. It is open to all dogs which are ineligible to participate in LGRA or NOTRA sanctioned events.

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There are two stakes that may be offered by RACE-sanctioned racing clubs; Regular stakes and Singles stakes. The Regular and Singles stakes shall operate in the same manner, the only difference being that racers in the Singles stake shall run alone with placements being determined by the mean average running time of each dog as determined by a stopwatch or other timing device. The host club shall have the option of offering both regular and singles stakes, or just one of the two stakes.

## **FACILITIES**

There is no shade available so please plan accordingly.

Dry camping is available.

There will be portable toilets available.

Water will be available for dogs and a cooling pool will be available for hot days

No dogs are allowed off-leash, other than when racing

## **ELIGIBILITY FOR LGRA**

Open to purebred Afghan Hounds, Azawakh, Basenji, Borzoi, Chart Polski, Cirneco dell'Etna, Greyhounds, Ibizan Hounds, Irish Wolfhounds, Italian Greyhounds, Magyar Agar, Pharaoh Hounds, Portuguese Podengo Medio/Grande, Rhodesian Ridgebacks, Salukis, Scottish Deerhounds, Silken Windhounds, and Sloughi and provisional breeds according to the 2023 LGRA rule book.

The Host Club Race Secretary may order a qualifying run with or without other hounds for any hound which has not previously raced at an Official meet, i.e., the Hound is First Time Entered (FTE), or has only Disqualified, Did Not Finish, or Off Course on his racing record. Hounds qualified for National Oval Track Racing Association (NOTRA) meets are considered already qualified for LGRA. Qualifying runs can be held at practice races or before an Official Meet.

### **Entries at Official Meets**

should only be accepted for hounds which are qualified to race.

The following registries are approved by LGRA: American Kennel Club (AKC), Canadian Kennel Club (CKC), United Kennel Club (UKC), National Greyhound Association (NGA), or any recognized foreign registry for pure-bred progeny of Gazehound breeds. Hounds registered with the AKC under Indefinite Listing Privilege (ILP) or Purebred Alternative Listing (PAL), UKC Limited Privilege (LP) and CKC Performance Event Number (PEN) may also be registered.

Each hound must have a completed and signed entry form. Those with First Time Entered (FTE) hounds must attach a photocopy of your dog's registration to your entry form, along with a one-time \$2.00 registration fee. All hounds must be 1 year of age or older on the day of the race meet, and must not be lame, sick, or in season.

## **ELIGIBILITY FOR AOK9**

All breeds and mixed breeds are eligible for competition. Any dog entered which are of a breed recognized by LGRA are encouraged to run under LGRA. Dogs must be 1 year of age or older on the day of the official race meet to be entered, and must not be lame, sick, or in season.

Any dog entered in a Regular stake which has not previously raced at an Official RACE meet (i.e., the Dog is First Time Entered (FTE), or has only Disqualified, Did Not Finish, or Off Course on his racing record), must complete and pass at least one qualifying run with another dog of the same breed or running style. The Race Secretary is responsible for overseeing all qualifying runs. Dogs are expected to have been schooled prior to attempting a qualifying run.

Dogs which have previously raced with competition under other organizations or events are considered already qualified for the RACE AOK9 Program. Qualifying runs can be held at practice races or before an Official Meet. Each dog must have a

completed and signed entry form. Those with First Time Entered (FTE) hounds must attach a photocopy of your dog's R.A.C.E. registration to your entry form

## **PRACTICES**

There will be practice available after Saturday's meet.

## **NEARBY VET CARE**

Closest Vet:

Auburn Animal Clinic

8370 SW Auburn Rd, Auburn, KS 66402

Emergency Vet:

Emergency Animal Clinic of Topeka

5501 SW 29th St #3, Topeka, KS 66614

785-272-2926

## **ACCOMODATIONS**

Below are hotels and camping facilities that we believe take dogs. Please double check pet policies prior to booking. Let us know if you have negative experiences with any of the hotels listed and we will take them off the list.

### **Camping:**

Forbes Landing RV Park

5932 SW Topeka Blvd

Topeka, KS 66619

Phone: 785-862-8818

Topeka – Capital City KOA

1949 SW 49<sup>th</sup> Street

Topeka, KS 66609

Phone: 785-862-5267

### **Motels/Hotels:**

Sleep Inn

1024 SW Wanamaker Road

Topeka, KS 66604

Phone: 785.238.2500

Econolodge at Wanamaker

1518 SW Wanamaker Road

Topeka, KS 66604

Phone: 785.273.5365

Motel 6 Topeka - NW

709 Fairlawn Road

Topeka, KS 66606

Phone: 785.272.8283

# Worker SignUp

Due Wednesday before trial

Our LGRA/AOK9 events rely on the support of our volunteer workers. This is a great way to learn about our sport and we will instruct you how to do the various jobs. We need 1 start line judge, 1 mid foul judge and 4 finish line judges to ensure the safety of the dogs and to give everyone the maximum points possible. To receive the discounted entry fees, please sign up to help the club put on our LGRA/AOK9 event. You must sign up to be a judge for at least 1 breed other than your own, catch and/or release for multiple breeds or work in the paddock to keep things organized and moving forward. Allowances will be made to give time to get your own dogs ready to run.

LINE/FOUL JUDGE	
CATCH/RELEASE	
PADDOCK	

We appreciate your help and participation in our event!