

**McCormack Ranch SDT**  
March 29-April 1, 2024 Rio Vista, CA  
USBCHA Sanctioned  
2 Open, 2 Nursery, 1 Pro-Novice  
Judge: Jack Knox

Thanks for your interest in the McCormack Ranch Sheepdog Trial. The trial will be a PUBLIC EVENT and FUNDRAISER for a legal defense fund to aid local farmers negatively affected by local large land purchases.

Contact information or questions: Kelsey Nichols 208-908-1135 mtzsheep@gmail.com

**Location of trial:** 7680 Montezuma Hills Rd. Rio Vista, CA 94571.

Please send checks to this address and make payable to McCormack Ranch.

Camping will be near Ranch Headquarters, some distance from Field.

Day parking will be at Field.

**Sheep:** McCormack Ranch commercial South African Merino ewes. Young and unshorn.

**Course:** Hill field, no more than 650 yards for Open and no more than 350 yards for Nursery/Pro Novice.

A challenging course with multiple hills and steep California rangeland terrain.

Any excessively rash behavior, abuse of dog or sheep, will result in disqualification at judge's discretion. Again, THIS IS A PUBLIC EVENT.

**Prizes:** Payout in Open after expenses. Prizes in all classes, including Open and Nursery overall high combined.

**Schedule:** Open (\$85/run) – Trial #1 Friday-Saturday AM. Trial #2 Saturday PM-Sunday

Nursery (\$65/run) – Monday AM and PM

Pro-Novice (\$65) – Monday between the two Nursery trials

All funds must be in US dollars and from US bank accounts. Separate check for third dogs. Entries open February 5 and close February 10. Postmark priority. No refunds after February 29.

**Covid-19 Guidelines:** Handlers are strongly encouraged to follow recommended Covid-19 guidelines and do not attend if you are sick.

**Dog Health Guidelines:** Dogs **must be vaccinated** with Rabies and DAPP for entrance onto the Ranch.

Do not attend if your dog is ill. There will be no shared water buckets provided by trial host. Bring and fill your own water bucket. There will be a water truck easily accessible.

*Please treat the Ranch and Sheep with care and respect. Please take all trash with you (there will be no trash cans). There are blind curves on the Ranch roads. Please drive with caution.*

