

ATCA Floating National Specialty 2019

The ATCA Floating National Specialty will be held on March 16, 2019 in Louisville, Kentucky. The floater is part of a 4 day show event called the Kentuckiana Cluster of Dog Shows. The Cluster is held from March 14 thru March 17, 2019 at the Kentucky Fair and Exposition Center in Louisville, Kentucky. All events are held indoors in a lovely exposition center with plenty of grooming space; over 100 vendors; multiple food options and clean, plentiful rest rooms.

The Cluster contains many events that allow Airedale Terriers and their owners to participate in diverse activities that showcase the versatility of our beloved breed. No matter what our interest, this cluster allows us all to be together in one location! Cluster competition events include the following:

- Agility Trials
- Barn Hunt
- Bred By Exhibitor Extravaganza
- Conformation Shows
- Dock Diving
- Junior Dog Judging event for youth 9-18
- Junior Showmanship Competition
- Itty Bitty Plush Dog Competition for children 5 and under
- National Owner - Handler series
- Puppy Matches including 4-6 month puppy
- Obedience and Rally Match
- Obedience Trials
- Rally Trials

For those interested in non-competitive dog activities, the Cluster hosts the following:

- American Dog Show Judges 2019 Advanced Judges Institute
- Cardiac Clinic
- CERF Clinic
- LMPD- K9 Demonstrations
- Genetic Testing
- Meet the Breeds events
- Semen Collection, Freezing and DNA testing

Floater Planning Committee – Anne Barlow and April Clyde (Co-Chairs); Lisa Berglin, Dianna Fielder, Margie Sinex and Jean Surfus. Advisor – Virginia Latham Smith



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Preliminary Schedule of Events

Wednesday, March 13, 2019

- **Headquarters Hotel Check In and Welcome**

Thursday, March 14, 2019 (Mid Kentucky KC)

- Agility Trials
- Barn Hunt Introduction Clinic
- Bred by Exhibitor Extravaganza
- Conformation Competition
- NOHS
- Obedience Trials (2 back to back)
- Puppy Match
- Rally Trials (2 back to back)
- 4-6 month old pappy match
- All breed obedience and rally match
- Dock Diving
- ADSJ Institute 2019 – Terrier and Non-Sporting breeds
- **ATCA Performance Events Exposition Crowne Plaza 5:00-8:00 PM**
- **ATCA Breeders Roundtable -Crowne Plaza 6:00 PM**
- **ATCA Hospitality - Crowne Plaza 6:30-8:30 PM**

Friday, March 15, 2019 (Louisville KC)

- Agility Trials
- Barn Hunt Trials (2)
- Bred By Exhibitor Extravaganza
- Conformation Competition
- Junior Dog Show Judging (youth 9-18)
- LMPD-K9 Demos
- NOHS
- Obedience Trials (2 back to back)
- Rally Trials (2 back to back)
- Dock Diving
- ADSJ Institute 2019 – Terrier and Non-Sporting breeds
- **ATCA Horse Farm Tour – Embassy Suites LEXINGTON, KY 12:15 PM**
- **ATCA “Sip and Socialize” informal hospitality at Crowne Plaza Private Suite**

Saturday, March 16, 2019 (Evansville KC & ATCA Floating National Specialty)

- Agility Trials
- Barn Hunt Trials (2)
- Bred By Exhibitor Extravaganza finals
- Conformation – **ATCA Floating National Specialty and Sweepstakes**
- Itty Bitty Plush Dog Competition (kids 5 and under)
- LMPD-K9 Demos
- Meet the Breeds Event
- New Exhibitor Briefing
- NOHS
- Obedience Trials (2 back to back)
- Rally Trials (2 back to back)
- Dock Diving
- ADSJ Institute 2019 – Terrier and Non-Sporting breeds
- **ATCA Floater Dinner & Kentucky Derby Museum Tour at Churchill Downs – 6:00 – 9:00 PM**

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Preliminary Schedule of Events

Sunday, March 17, 2019 (Louisville KC)

- Agility Trials
- Barn Hunt Trial
- Conformation Competition
- Obedience Trials (2 back to back)
- Rally Trials (2 back to back)
- Regional Junior Showmanship Competition (prior qualifying required)
- Itty Bitty Plush Dog Competition (kids 5 and under)
- Meet the Breeds Event
- Dock Diving
- ADSJ Institute 2019 – Terrier and Non-Sporting breeds

Other cluster activities – date and time pending

- CERF Clinic
- Cardiac Clinic
- Semen Collection, Freezing and DNA Testing
- Genetic Testing

Driving Directions to events will be in the Welcome Packet distributed at Floater Check-In.

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ATCA Sponsored Activities

Wednesday, March 13 – Headquarters Hotels

Crowne Plaza and Embassy Suites East - 8:30 AM – 5:00 PM

Welcome to the ATCA Floating Specialty. We will greet you on arrival and get you any help you need to settle into your room. You will receive a welcome pack of information and goodies provided by the ATCA Floater Committee.

Thursday, March 14 - Crowne Plaza Meeting Room

ATCA Performance Event Exposition – 5:00-8:00 PM

Have you always thought about participating in performance events with your Airedale? This display will provide information about participating in various events and tips for success. Meet experienced Airedale owners and breeders who have competed in agility, obedience, rally, field activities, barn hunt, fast CAT and more!

ATCA Breeders Roundtable – 6:00 PM

Join race horse and show dog breeder Kiki Courtelis and experienced Airedale breeders in a lively discussion about successful strategies to achieve your breeding goals. Kiki will lend a unique perspective from her equine and canine breeding experience.

ATCA Hospitality - Hors d'oeuvres and Cash Bar 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM

Meet old and new friends and share a cocktail and hors d'oeuvres. Shop for Floater themed items and try your luck in raffles of Airedale themed treasures.

Friday, March 15

ATCA Horse Farm Tour - 12:15 PM at the Embassy Suites, LEXINGTON, KY

Board the tour bus at 12:15 PM at the Embassy Suites to visit selected farms where you can meet famous horses up close and personal. Tour lasts about 3 hours. Note – bus leaves promptly at 12:30 PM and there is no food available during the tour. Cost \$50

ATCA Sip and Socialize Informal Gathering - 6:30-8:30 PM – Private suite at Crowne Plaza

Enjoy casual conversations with Airedale fanciers. Self-serve bar and light snacks available.

Saturday, March 16

ATCA Floating Specialty and Sweepstakes – Kentucky Fair and Exposition Center

Finally! The highlight show event of the weekend! Ring time will be announced.

Floater Dinner and Auction – 6:00 – 9:00 PM Kentucky Derby Museum - Churchill Downs

Put on your dress clothes and fancy hat and start your evening with a cocktail and passed Hors d'oeuvres in the Great Hall of the Kentucky Derby Museum. Stroll through the recently expanded museum enjoying the exhibits and looking for answers to the fun derby quiz. Find your table for the dinner and enjoy the exciting videos of Kentucky Derby action. The extensive buffet features a Southern Theme. Airedale Treasures will be available during the silent and verbal auction. Fun contests and raffles will give you a chance to test your luck. After your dinner, take a trip through the Churchill Downs paddocks and see a resident racehorse! Cost \$70

Sunday, March 17

Enjoy one last day with your friends at the shows. Safe travels home with your memories and prizes!

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Accommodations

We know that everyone has different needs and priorities when they choose a hotel. Many look for pet-friendly hotels, others want proximity to the show site, some are looking for luxury while others are looking for bargains. For the floater we have selected two "Host Hotels" and have reserved a block of rooms at each. The host hotels are described below. In addition, there are many major chain hotels in the area and those who like a known brand hotel may find their favorite in the area. Chains with hotels in the area are listed below. No matter where you chose to stay, we urge you to make reservations promptly. The Kentuckiana Cluster of Dog Shows is very popular dog event and rooms fill up fast. **Both of our reserved blocks will release rooms that are not booked in January 2019.**

Host Hotels

1. **Crowne Plaza - 830 Phillips Lane; Louisville, KY 40209; 502-367-2251**

Room rate \$124, Pet fee one time \$50.00 fee - up to 3 dogs in room

If you value convenience, this is the hotel for you. It is across the street from the main entrance of the Exposition Center and you can easily walk to the show. The airport is about a mile away and there is a free shuttle to the airport. Parking and internet access are free. This is a full service hotel with restaurant, bar, business center, indoor pool and all indoor access rooms. The business center has a microwave for guest use and you can rent a refrigerator for your room if desired. *Due to the proximity to the show site, all ATCA Hospitality events will be held at this hotel except the for the floater dinner which will be held at the Kentucky Derby Museum at Churchill Downs which is about 3 miles away.*

2. **Embassy Suites East - 9940 Corporate Campus Dr.; Louisville, KY 40223; 502-426-9191**

Room rate \$169, Pet fee one time \$75.00 per suite

If you are looking for a little more luxury and open green space, this is the hotel for you. It is about 10 miles from the show site in a corporate park setting with shopping malls and restaurants nearby. The airport is about 10 miles away. The hotel offers free parking and free internet access. All rooms are two room suites and can comfortably accommodate up to 6 persons. All rooms have a microwave, coffeemaker and a refrigerator. Daily hot, made to order breakfast and an evening cocktail hour are included in the room rate. The hotel has an on-site restaurant, pool, fitness center and business center.

Chain Hotels in the area of the expo center:

Comfort Inn and Suites
Country Inn and Suites
Courtyard by Marriott
Days Inn
Extended Stay America
Fairfield Inn and Suites
Hampton Inn and Suites
Hilton Hotel
Holiday Inn
La Quinta
Marriott
Microtel Inn by Wyndham
Ramada
Red Roof Inn
Residence Inn
Sleep Inn and Suites
Super 8

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Event Reservations

ATCA Floater Dinner - \$70 per person

Churchill Downs at 6:00 PM, Saturday, March 16

Dinner includes a tour of the Kentucky Derby Museum; tour of the Churchill Downs paddocks including a resident racehorse; Hat Contest and Silent and Verbal Auction.

Menu:

Passed Hors d'oeuvres:

- Pecan crusted chicken bites with bourbon sweet potato puree
- Lemon & white wine sautéed shrimp with capers & Butter on crostini,
- Gourmet grilled cheese with gruyere, fontina and truffle oil

Dinner buffet:

- Spring mix salad with tomato pesto relish, cucumber, radish, carrot & balsamic vinaigrette
- Beef short ribs in au jus
- Fried chicken with honey pecan glaze
- Whipped potatoes
- Green beans & mushrooms
- Chef's artisan bread basket with butter
- Bourbon bread pudding
- Beverages included – iced water, iced tea, regular & decaf coffee
- Cash Bar

Vegetarian option available with request

Horse Farm Tour - \$50 per person

Meet at Embassy Suites – LEXINGTON, 12:15 PM, Thursday, March 14

Board a comfortable bus for a 3 hour tour of selected Horse Farms

Auction

Do you have some lovely Airedale themed items that you are willing to part with? Support this event and encourage versatility in our breed by donating items for the Floater Auction. Please contact Lisa Berglin @ dewaltchic@yahoo.com or 262-473-5219 with information about items that you would like to donate.

Return this reservation form along with your check for the total amount due for listed attendees to Margie Sinex @ 480 Christina Ct., Zumbro Falls, MN 55991-1932 by March 1, 2019 to secure your reservation.

Name of Attendee	✓ Dinner at \$70	✓ Horse Farm at \$50	✓ Hospitality (free)
Total Amount	\$	\$	

(Please attach additional sheets as needed)