

Announcing the Thirty-Third Annual Running of the
AMERICAN DERBY INVITATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

Sponsored by the Field Trial Sportsmen's Association of Southwest Missouri

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— A QUALIFYING STAKE FOR THE 2027 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP —

**To be run beginning the day following the conclusion of the Missouri Open Championship.
The Missouri Open All-Age Derby and Championship begin on March 16, 2026.**

Entry Fee: \$400.00 (plus \$20 NFTCA fee)

**Guaranteed Purse: 60% of entry fees divided 60-40 to Winner and Runner-up
plus \$125 payback to other dogs making the final callback**

Judges: Kirk Loftin, Grinnell, IA, and Helmut Schoen, Blairstown, NJ

Reporter: Bonnie Hidalgo, Brighton, CO

Drawing: Monday, March 23, or night prior to the start of the Invitational, 7:00 p.m., at Sportsmen's Association Clubhouse. Entry fee to be paid before running of the owner's dog.

Qualification: The top twelve Derbies based on a point system that encompasses four Open Derby Championships and qualifying trials throughout North America. Owners of Derbies qualified based on points will be invited by approximately March 10. No dog below #20 in the final point standings will be called to run. Late qualifiers should coordinate points with Steve Auxier—(402) 730-2711. Contact Secretary concerning questions.

Trial Format: All braces to run a one-hour qualifier on the first day. One and one-half hour heats will be run on the second day, and the number of dogs called back to run on the second day is entirely at the discretion of the judges. Any dogs may be called back before the final decision. Judges' decision will be based on the overall performance of a dog. Invitations accepted with the understanding that the Sportsmen's Club of Southwest Missouri and its officers are not in any way responsible and cannot be held liable for any accident involving anyone attending the trial, their horses, dogs, or equipment. Bitches in season will not be permitted to participate.

Entries to: STEVE AUXIER—Cell: (402) 730-2711 • All entries must be confirmed 48 hours prior to the drawing