HERDING INSTINCT TEST
Saturday, April 13, 2024

What is a Herding Instinct Test?
The herding instinct test will introduce your Corgi to 3 head of dog broke sheep to see if the Corgi can herd. Instinct cannot be taught and prior experience on stock is not required. Kathleen Smith, a herding trainer knowledgeable in herding instinct, will take your Corgi into the arena for the test and conduct the evaluation for instinct.

Is My Corgi Eligible?
All purebred Corgis, Pembroke or Cardigan, 9 months of age or older may enter the test. You need not be a member of a national club, the PWCCSC or CWCCSC. Your Corgi does not need to be AKC registered or have an ILP or PAL number to test for instinct. Your Corgi does need to be physically fit as this is a strenuous activity that involves sustained running and fast turns. We welcome all pure bred Corgis to join us for this fun day on sheep. If your corgi has previously participated in the test and passed, please do not enter the test, priority will be given to first timers and those who have tested without passing and were encouraged to try again in the future.

Where will the test be held?
The herding instinct test will be held at: Diamond K9 Event Center, 3349 Riverside Drive Chino, CA, 91710

What do I need to bring?
You should plan to provide shade, water, chairs, and any other necessary comfort items for you or your dog during the testing process. There will be several Corgis at the test and you need to be prepared to be on site for an hour or more. The tests are fun to watch and the time will pass quickly, but do come prepared for some waiting.

All who enter the herding instinct test are expected to maintain the trial site in a clean and tidy condition. Absolutely no smoking at the venue.

How do I enter the instinct test?
Fill out the Herding Test Entry Form, email or snail mail it to Kathy Dolge
Pay via check (snail mail) or venmo.

Who should I contact if I have questions?
Kathy Dolge — kathydolge@aol.com