

## Accommodations

We are working to secure a host hotel, but while we have many hotels in the area most do NOT accept pets. Every effort will be made to establish a host hotel with a good rate and a reduced pet fee. In the meantime, here is a list of hotels in the area that have accepted dogs in the past, but all charge a pet fee and have other restrictions for size and number of dogs.

Country Inn & Suites	Benton Harbor, MI
Candlewood Suites	Stevensville, MI
Hilton Garden Inn	Benton Harbor, MI
Hampton Inn	Benton Harbor, MI
Staybridge Suites	Benton Harbor, MI
Red Roof Inn	Benton Harbor, MI
Coloma/St. Joseph KOA Campground	Coloma, MI

You can also check for pet friendly rentals on Airbnb and Vrbo. There are some in the area.

Check on the ECHO website and watch the UKC Shed Dog Facebook page for updates on a host hotel. We will try our best!

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Entry fees shall not be refunded in the event that a dog is absent, disqualified, excused by a vet or judge, or barred from competition by action of show committee.

If because of riots, civil disturbances or other acts beyond the control of the management it is impossible to open or to complete the show, no refund of entry fees will be made. Extreme weather conditions, such as, but not limited to snow storms, lightning, tornadoes or extreme heat must be considered for the health and safety of the dogs, exhibitors and spectators. In the event it is necessary to cancel or stop the show before completion, no refunds will be made.

UKC and ECHO are not responsible for loss, accidents or theft. Absolutely no alcoholic beverages or unprescribed drugs will be allowed on the grounds, or while participating in the events, or in the building the day of a UKC Licensed Event.

UKC and ECHO assume no responsibility for any damage or injury sustained by the exhibitors, handlers, or to any of their dogs or property, and further assume no responsibility for injury to children not under the control of their parents or guardians.



## **2 UKC Licensed Shed Hunt Trials** Champion/Working/Youth

**Saturday, May 20, 2023**  
**Sunday, May 21, 2023**

Location: Coloma Rod and Gun Club  
6145 Angling Rd.  
Coloma, MI 49038

### Forest and Field Courses



Easy to reach, less than 10 minutes from the interstate.  
Access to clubhouse with restrooms. Ample parking.

Advanced Registration Deadline: May 13, 2023  
Limit 50 Dogs per Trial, excluding Youth  
NO day of show entries will be accepted for Champion or Working.  
Day of Show entries for Youth ONLY will be accepted.  
No bitches in season.

Entry Fees:	
Advanced Registration	\$35.00 per trial
Youth Handler	FREE

[www.echodogs.com](http://www.echodogs.com)

### Judges:

Darcy Grieger, #101767  
Alexandra Ranft, #101884  
Kellie Curtis, #102212  
Mary Beth Depuydt, #101839

### Timeline for both days (all times Eastern Time and subject to change):

8:00 am to 8:30 am Day of Show YOUTH entries accepted  
8:30 am Handler Briefing  
8:45 am First dog on the line

Ribbons will be given for 1<sup>st</sup> through 4<sup>th</sup> Places, Trial Qualifiers, and new titles.

### Rules and Regulations

This event will be run in accordance with the official UKC Shed Dog rules, January 1, 2023 revision, that can be found at [www.ukcdogs.com/docs/rulebooks/elite-shed-dog-rulebook.pdf](http://www.ukcdogs.com/docs/rulebooks/elite-shed-dog-rulebook.pdf).

### Registry

A UKC registration number is desired to participate in these trials. For information on UKC registrations go to [www.ukcdogs.com](http://www.ukcdogs.com). Non-UKC Registered Dog Fee – A \$5 additional fee will be assessed to dogs not Temporarily Listed, Performance Listed, or Permanently Registered with UKC. This fee will be forwarded to the UKC with the Event recording fees. Participants whose dogs pass or place have 60 days in which to complete the registration application to UKC. For more information go to [www.ukcdogs.com](http://www.ukcdogs.com).

### Refunds

Participants may request a full refund before the closing date. After the closing date no refunds will be issued, except for bitches that come in season.

### Substitution Policy

Once a team is notified they are entered, the handler may substitute another dog at the same level.

### Trial Information:

- **ALL** ranges will be **CLOSED** until the last dog has run for the day.
- The trials will be run on field and forest courses. Bring your waterproof boots and insect repellent!
- The Club requests a limit of 3 dogs per handler per class.
- Camping on the club grounds will be available Friday and Saturday night for free. Contact the Trial Secretary for additional info.
- Confirmation emails will be sent to exhibitors.
- Dogs must be checked in at least 15 minutes before running time.

### Trial Info continued:

- It is your responsibility to clean up after your dog. Anyone observed not picking up after their dog will be asked to leave. No refunds.
- Lunch break will be determined by the Judges.
- ECHO Club, Inc. reserves the right to refuse any entry.
- Spectators are welcome. Conversation is acceptable, but DO NOT give the hide away! No dogs in viewing area.
- There will be hot breakfast for sale in the clubhouse on Sunday morning from 8:00 until 12:00.
- If you wish to use the ranges while you are at the trial, the guest fee is \$5. Ranges will re-open once all dogs have run.
- Emergency Vet:

VCA Southwest Michigan Animal Emergency and Referral Center  
104 W Cork St, Kalamazoo, MI 49001  
269-381-5228  
Approximately 40 miles, open 24/7

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Mail Entries to:

Mary Beth Depuydt  
5500 Clark St.  
Coloma, MI 49038

Make checks payable to ECHO Club, Inc.

Returned checks do not constitute a valid entry. A \$20 returned check fee will be charged.

For more information, contact:

Show Chairperson	Alexandra Ranft	269-845-0594
Show Secretary	Mary Beth Depuydt	269-468-7218
	<a href="mailto:mbdepuyd@gmail.com">mbdepuyd@gmail.com</a>	

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### Directions to Show Site:

#### **From East or West:**

Take I-94 to Coloma exit, Exit 39.  
Turn LEFT at top of exit ramp.  
Go to first cross street, Mountain Rd. and turn LEFT.  
Go to first intersection, Angling Rd. and turn LEFT. This intersection is a "T" intersection.  
Coloma Rod and Gun Club is at the dead end of Angling Rd on the RIGHT.  
Follow the signs to check-in.