

Sanctioned Tournament Event & Agility Test

April 18-19,2009

Hosted by:



## <u>Location:</u> TEAMWORKS

5 Saint Mark's Street Auburn, Ma
(Indoors on AWESOME Field Turf with rubber pellets)
ELECTRONIC TIMING WILL BE USED IN BOTH RINGS

## Judges:

Jean Mackenzie – Northwood, NH David Mueller – Schwenksville, PA

## Closing Date: Monday, March 25th

Secondary Closing for advancement in level only: Monday, April 13th

Standard and all Non Standard Classes Championship & Performance

Grand Prix of Dog Agility® World Championships & Performance National Standard<sup>SM</sup> Championships Dog Agility Steeplechase® & Performance Speed Jumping SM-Local Qualifiers

#### Show Committee

George Baker - Chairman Valori Duff - Secretary Lauri Baker - Hospitality reefbark@aol.com or bark@worldpath.net 603-289-5169 or valwaussies@comcast.net

bark@worldpath.net

(Email is preferred-Please no calls before 9AM or after 9PM)

## **ENTRIES & CLOSING DATE:**

Express Mail entries must include a signature waiver

All entries must be received no later than

Monday, March 25<sup>th</sup>

Secondary Closing for Advancement in Level ONLY: Monday, April 13<sup>th</sup>

For more info email Val valwaussies@comcast.net

To be accepted, entries MUST be complete, signed (for minors, signed by parent or legal guardian), received by the closing date, and accompanied by the correct fees. Returned checks do not constitute a valid entry. Refundable cancellations or changes can not be made after the closing date. A competitor may advance the level of entry in writing via email until Monday, April 13<sup>th</sup>. No other changes will be accepted after the closing date of March 25<sup>th</sup>. There will be a \$35.00 service charge for returned checks. Amounts shall be paid within 30 days of postmarked notice of returned check if such date follows the event date. Any fees not received within 30 days of notice result in cancellation of event results for all classes for the registration number(s) of delinquent entry/entries. No reinstatement of results is possible, and all awards must be returned within 10 days of notification, or the dog's registration may be suspended pending restitution. Any unpaid fees or shortfalls must be paid prior to the start of the event or entry is canceled without recourse.

#### TENTATIVE EVENT SCHEDULE

Saturday: Check-in and measuring - 7:15am to 7:45am. Judges briefing - 7:45am. Judging begins - 8:00am

Sunday: Check-in and measuring - 7:15am to 7:45am. Judges briefing - 7:45am. Judging begins - 8:00am

ALL competitors must check in their first day of competition. ALL DOGS MUST be measured prior to being checked in or competing in their first class UNLESS the dog is jumping 26" (22" in Perf), the handler presents a permanent card, check-in letter issued by USDAA or subscriber printout indicating the dog is permanently carded or a temporary card with 3 signatures waiting for a CMJ. Dogs required to jump a higher height by virtue of measurement at this event will be placed first in the running order. Should the dog be unprepared for the higher height, it may run For Exhibition Only at the lower height, but no awards or qualifying scores may be earned and no change in program is permitted at check in.

## **TENTATIVE SCHEDULE**

Saturday April 18 Ring One: Jean	Saturday April 18 Ring Two: Dave	Sunday April 19 Ring One: Jean	Sunday April 19 Ring Two: Dave	
Masters/PIII Standard	Advanced/PII Gamblers	Masters/PIII Pairs	Starters/PI Standard	
Advanced/PII Standard	Starters/ PI Gamblers	Grand Prix/PNS	Advanced/PII Standard	
Steeplechase/Performance	Advanced/PII Pairs	Masters/PIII Standard	Steeplechase/Performance	
Speed Jumping Round 1	Advanced/Fit Faits	Wasters/FIII Standard	Speed Jumping Round 2	
Masters/ PIII Snooker	Starters/PI Pairs	Advanced/PII Jumpers	Starters/PI Snooker	
Masters/ PIII Gamblers	Starters/PI Standard	Masters/ PIII Jumpers	Advanced/PII Snooker	
	Advanced/PII Jumpers		Starters/PI Jumpers	
	Starters/PI Jumpers			

Crating space will be available inside TEAMWORKS.

All crates and X-pens must be placed on ground cloth.

Please be considerate of others. Please limit your crate space.

Catalogs and Workers schedules will be available prior to the trial at www.k9agilityservices.com

#### NOTICE TO COMPETITORS

- \*\*Competitors, through submission of entry, acknowledge that they are knowledgeable of USDAA rules and regulations as amended March 30, 2007, including, but not limited to, the following rules regarding entry:
- This test is open to all dogs over eighteen months of age, including purebred and mixed breeds, except bitches in season, dogs suffering from any deformity, injury or illness which may affect the dogs' physical or mental performance, or dogs exhibiting signs of aggression.
- All dogs must be registered with USDAA in order to compete in this event. A Registration form is included and registration may be made concurrently with entry. To receive a registration number immediately and a height card prior to the show, go online to <a href="https://www.usdaa.com">www.usdaa.com</a>, General Information, Dog Registration.
- No leads, collars, food, toys or other aids or devices shall be permitted on the course at any time.
- Safety shall always be of foremost consideration in actions and conduct by handlers at all times.
- Dogs must remain on leash at all times, except when competing in the ring.

#### In Addition:

- THERE SHALL BE NO REFUNDS for entries withdrawn after the closing date or in the event a dog and/or handler is absent, disqualified, excused by veterinarian or judges, or barred from competition by action of the Event Committee. In addition, no entry fees will be refunded if the test cannot open or be completed by reason of riots, civil disturbances, fire, an act of God, public emergency, act of a public enemy, strike or any other cause beyond the control of the club
- \*\*Competitors (handler or their dog) may not enter any class held for title under a judge who resides in the same household or with whom they have trained in the past ten (10) days.
- \*\* No entries may be accepted, changed, altered or withdrawn after the closing date except as outlined under "Entries & closing".
- In the event of a large entry it may be necessary to impose fault or time limits in some classes at the discretion of the organizing committee.
- This event will be held indoors on field turf at TEAMWORKS Sports Center
- There will be no equipment familiarization.
- The Organizing Committee of an event may refuse the entry of any competitor or dog for just cause should the committee views that participation by competitor or dog would be prejudicial to the sport. However, any committee so doing must notify the competitor in writing (with a copy to the USDAA office) in anticipation of or upon receipt of entry. The notice must include the reason for refusing the entry and a brief explanation of the basis for their decision. The burden of responsibility for appropriateness of such action rests solely with the host group and it's Organizing Committee.
- \*\*Confirmation letters will be sent out electronically via email unless you have specifically requested otherwise. Order of classes will be listed in the confirmation letters

#### Jump heights:

Following are the jump heights for the Championship Program. (Performance heights in parentheses);

Dog Height	Jump Height	Table Heigh
Over 21"	26" (22")	24" (16")
21" or less	22" (16")	24" (16")
16" or less	16" (12")	16" (12")
12" or less	12" (8")	12" (12")

Competitors through entry at this event waive any and all rights relative to video broadcast of this event. Competitors shall have the right to videotape portions of this event for their personal use only. No portion of this event may be videotaped for commercial or other purposes. All video, broadcast and telecast rights for this event are the exclusive property of United States Dog Agility Association, Inc. Portions of this event may be taped for television. Through entry at this event, ALL COMPETITORS AND HANDLERS HEREBY GRANT to USDAA and its representatives, agents and assigns, all rights and permission to use or appropriate his/her and their dog's name, biography, likeness, photograph, voice, performing persona, or other indicia of identity for broadcast, telecast, cablecast, transmission or distribution in any format or media now known or hereafter to become known. All competitors and handlers hereby release USDAA and its representatives, agents and assigns from any claim or cause of action for invasion of the rights of privacy, right of publicity, right of personality, or any similar right.

**Obstacles:** Obstacles shall be chosen from those described in the current edition of the USDAA rules and Regulations.

#### **FOOD CONCESSION:**

Coffee, Tea, Breakfast pastries and luncheon sandwiches available for purchase from Teamworks.

## PRIZES AND AWARDS:

<u>Test Classes:</u> Each dog earning a qualifying score will receive a maroon qualifying ribbon. Separate 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> place Rosettes will be awarded in each jump height for all classes, except Pairs which will be awarded to mini and open divisions. Title ribbons will also be awarded for completion of AD, PDI, AAD, PDII, MAD, PDIII, ADCH, APD and Lifetime Achievements.

**Tournament Classes**: See descriptions for details.



## **MOTELS THAT ACCEPT DOGS:**

Please contact them to confirm their pet policies.

These hotels are not known to BARK. Please give us your feedback on your stay.

LaQuinta Inn 508-832-7000 444 Southbridge Street Auburn, MA 01501

Comfort Inn 508-832-8300 426 Southbridge Street Auburn Ma

Best Western Drummer Inn 508-832-3221 624 Southbridge Street Auburn, MA 01501



# Hotel Courtesies ALL POOP IS TO BE PICKED UP

Bring a sheet to cover the beds.

Bring a towel to put under the water bowl and to dry your dogs if needed

#### DO NOT LEAVE YOUR DOG ALONE IN THE ROOM AT ANY TIME

□ DOG REGISTRATION APPLICATION - \$20.00		
□ JUNIOR HANDLER REGISTRATION APPLICATION - \$17.0	0	
Dogs must be registered with USDAA in order to compete in USDAA sa		card and number with a "U" prefix will be issued
to facilitate entry at USDAA events and tracking of show results in the reg		
Junior handlers (those 18 years of age and younger) and their dogs must		
Program (UJHP). A registration number with a "J" prefix will be assigned		
programs (regular classes and UJHP) must be registered separately for each	n program. If registering for both	programs at the same time, the total fee is
\$37.00. Send this completed form with your entry form to BARK! if you do not	have a USDAA registration num	ihar OP
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Register your dog online at www.usdaa.com		umber immediately:
	ER INFORMATION	
Primary Owner:		
Co-Owner:Handle	er:	
Junior Handler:	Telephone: ( )	
Junior Handler:(This line required for junior handler registration only)	(Day telephone, if p	possible)
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Address:		
City/State:Postal Code:	Country:	
Email Address:	<del></del>	
DOG INFO	ORMATION:	
Formal Name:	Call Name:	
(Name to appear on certificates; please print clearly or t		
Height @Withers:(To nearest 1/4")	Birthdate:	(Estimate if unknown)
Breed:	(Specify breed or state ".	All American" to denote mix-breed)
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You must complete ALL	information for a valid regi	stration:

\_\_\_\_\_ UJHP #\_\_\_

FOR USDAA USE ONLY: REG #\_\_\_\_

#### **Class Descriptions**

Two certification programs will be offered at this event – **Championship & Performance**. Competitors may enter both Championship and Performance Program classes for which they are eligible; however, under NO circumstance may a dog be entered in the same Championship and Performance class at this agility test. Classes include standard agility, gamblers, jumpers, pairs relay and snooker agility as set forth in Chapters 3 – 7 of USDAA Rules and Regulations, each of which are conducted at three competitive levels. Generally, Performance Level I, Level II, and Level III are run on courses used for Starters, Advanced and Masters classes in the Championship Program, with the following exceptions: the A-frame is set at 5'6", jump heights are one height class lower as set forth in Notes to Competitors, no spread hurdles are utilized and time standards in the standard and jumpers classes are extended by 3 seconds beyond that utilized in the Championship Program.

#### Standard, Gamblers, Jumpers, Pairs Relay, and Snooker

A complete description of these classes and the requirements for eligibility for entry may be found in Chapters 3-7 of Official USDAA Rules & Regulations, which are incorporated in this test schedule by reference. A summary of eligibility requirements for all titling classes is presented in Appendix E of the Rules & Regulations.

Performance Pairs is required for titling in all levels beginning 1/1/09. Partners for both Championship and Performance Pairs must be from the same level and height division, mini (Ch 12/16, Perf 8/12) or open (Ch 22/26, Perf 16/22). In the event only one dog is entered in a program/level, dog not entered in relay or dogs from other programs/levels may not be recruited to form a qualifying pair.

The following Tournament classes are being offered at this event: (all competitors are eligible for entry to any of these tournament classes.) A copy of the tournament regulations for each tournament may be found on the USDAA website at www.usdaa.com.

## Grand Prix of Dog Agility® and Performance National Standard<sup>SM</sup>

These single-round tournaments judged under Masters rules are open to all competitors regardless of titles earned or skill level. A qualifying score is zero faults. One Q is required for entry in a Regional Championships where a bye into the semifinals may be earned. Two qualifying scores are required for entry in the quarterfinals at the World Championships.

First place qualifying winner in each height class shall be awarded a "bye voucher", permitting them to advance to the final round of a regional championship. A double overlay ribbon shall be awarded to all qualifiers.  $1^{st} - 4^{th}$  place ribbons will be awarded in each jump height.

## Dog Agility Steeplechase®, and Performance Speed Jumping<sup>SM</sup>

These two-round tournaments are open to all competitors regardless of titles earned for skill level. A qualifying score is earned in Round 1. **Steeplechase:** One qualifying score as described in the complete rules is required for entry in a Regional Championships, and two are required for entry in the quarterfinals at the World Championships. **Speed Jumping:** Two qualifying scores as described in the complete rules are required for entry in the semifinals at the World Championships. **Awards** (**Steeplechase**):

<u>Local Qualifiers</u>: Prize money shall be computed based upon 30% of the total entry fees to be allocated in accordance with the payout table below regardless of the size of entry in any height class. 1<sup>st</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> place rosettes will be awarded.

Height Class	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	5 <sup>th</sup>	6th	Total*
12"	10%	6%	4%				20%
16"	10%	6%	4%	3%			23%
22"	10%	6%	4%	4%	3%	3%	30%
26"	10%	6%	4%	4%	3%		27%
Totals	40%	24%	16%	11%	6%	3%	100%

<sup>\*</sup>Allocable amounts to finalist positions that are not filled for any reason or allocable prize amounts less than \$3.00 shall not be paid.

#### Awards (Performance Speed Jumping):

*Local Qualifier:* Prize money shall be computed based upon 30% of the total entry fees to be allocated in accordance with the payout table below regardless of the size of entry in any height class. 1<sup>st</sup> -4<sup>th</sup> place rosettes will be awarded. \*Allocable prize money to Round 2 positions that are not filled for any reason shall be forfeited.

Height Class	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Total*	
8"	12%	8%	5%	25%	
12"	12%	8%	5%	25%	
16"	12%	8%	5%	25%	
22"	12%	8%	5%	25%	
Totals	48%	32%	20%	100%	

## **DIRECTIONS TO TEAMWORKS SITE:**

- From Mass Turnpike -- Take Exit 10 bear left, take 2nd right, then 1st right (Rt. 20 East)
  1.5 miles to Getty Gas, then next right.
- From Rts. 290 or 395 -- Take Exit 6A (Rt. 20 East) go 1.5 miles to Getty Gas on right, take next right.
- From Rt. 20 West -- At the traffic light & Shell Gas, go past light and take 2nd left (behind Motor Sports).
- From Rt. 146 -- Take Rt. 20 West into Auburn to traffic light & Shell Gas, go past the light and take 2nd left.
- From West -- On Rt. 20 East go 1.5 miles past Rts. 395 or 290 to Getty Gas on Rt. 20 East, take next right.

#### **2010 IFCS WORLD AGILITY COMPETITION**

As the U.S. representative of IFCS, USDAA will be sending a team to Europe for the 2010 World Agility Competition. To kick off the fund-raising, USDAA asks that you consider making a donation. All monies donated in this manner will be put directly into a fund for the entire team. Donations of \$50 or more receive benefits as listed in the USDAA Store and should be made through the store at <a href="https://www.usdaa.com">www.usdaa.com</a>.

#### WORKERS

We want to keep things running smoothly so everyone enjoys this trial. To do this, we are depending on help from competitors. We appreciate any help, experienced or not. <u>We would love to help train any position</u>. If you are willing to help in any of the following areas, please fill out the form below and return it with your entry. Tickets will be given to workers that can be used towards our great CASH raffle! We will work hard to avoid any conflicts.

Question, contact Val at valwaussies@comcast.net

## Thank you in advance.

I am willing to help set-up Friday	
I am willing to work Saturday I am willing to work Sunday	<u>.</u>
O Scribe O Timer O Gate Steward O Check in Steward	O Ring
O Leash Runner O Score Runner O Course Builder	O Score Table
I am willing to help break-down on Sunday	
NAME	
Email	



## OFFICIAL USDAA ENTRY FORM April 18 & 19, 2009

#### Return this completed signed form with entry fees

## payable to: BARK!

Mail to: Valori Duff

252 Boynton St Manchester NH 03102 Entries must be received by 6:00 PM, Monday, March 16th

Owner Information				Dog Information						
Owner:			USDAA Registration #:							
Mailing Address:				Call Name:						
City:					Breed(s):					
Day Telephone:				Dog's	Height:					
Evening Telephone:				Birth D	Date:					
Email:				Handler: (If different than Owner listed above)						
		Cha	mpionship l	Program Performance Program						
Indicate Height Division		12"	16" 22							
Saturday Classes	Fee			Pl	lease circle desi	red level(s)				
Tournament	\$22		Steeple	echase		Perform	ance Speed .	Jumping		
Standard	\$15	Starters	Advanc	ed	Masters	PI	PII	PIII		
Snooker	\$15				Masters			PIII		
Gamblers	\$15	Starters	Advanc	ed	Masters	PI	PII	PIII		
Pairs Relay	\$15	Starters	Advanc	ed		PI	PII			
Jumpers	\$15	Starters	Advanc	ed		PI	PII			
Pairs *Draw? Partner Hand	ller Nam	e	Dog Partner	Name		USDAA #:	J	fump Ht:		
Sunday Classes	Fee									
Tournament	\$22		Grand	d Prix		Performance National Standard				
Standard	\$15	Starters	Advanc	ed	Masters	PI	PII	PIII		
Snooker	\$15	Starters	Advanc	ed		PI	PII			
Pairs Relay	\$15				Masters			PIII		
Jumpers	\$15	Starters	Advanc	ed	Masters	PI	PII	PIII		
Pairs *Draw? Partner Name	e		Dog Name			USDAA #:	J	fump Ht:		
*If you do not indicate a partner d	og abov	e to run with, your	r entry will be	conside	red "Draw".		•			
Entry Fees	: \$									
Dog Registration Fee (\$20)	: \$		Only if	your dog	does not already have a	registration number	with USDAA			
Total Due					payable to BARK!					
This entry is no	t valid u	inless the agreemen			and submitted with corr	rect entry fees by the	e closing date.			
General Agreement  GENERAL AGREEMENT: I(we) agree that <i>BARK</i> has the right to refuse this entry for cause, which the organizing committee alone shall deem to be sufficient. In consideration of the acceptance of this entry, of the holding of the event and of the opportunity to have the dog participate and/or to be judged, I (we) agree to hold the organizing committee, <i>BARK</i> , United States Dog Agility Association, Inc., including their members, officers, directors, agents and employees, sponsors of the event, and owners of the premises upon which the event is held and their employees harmless from any claim for loss or injury that may be alleged to have been caused directly or indirectly to any person or thing by the act of this dog while in or upon the event premises or grounds or near any entrance thereto, and I (we) personally assume all responsibility and liability for any such claim. I (we) further agree to hold the aforementioned parties from any claim for loss of this dog by disappearance, theet, death or otherwise, and from any claim for damage or injury to the dog, whether such loss, disappearance, appearance, theft, damage or injury, be cause or alleged to be caused by the negligence of the parties aforementioned, or by the negligence of any other person, or any other cause or causes. I (we) hereby assume the sole responsibility for and agree to indemnify and save the aforementioned parties from any and all loss and expense (including legal fees) by reason of the liability imposed by law upon any of the aforementioned parties for damage because of bodily injuries, including death at any time resulting therefrom, sustained by any person or persons, including myself (ourselves) or on account of damage to property arising out of or in consequence of my (our) participation in this event, howsever such injuries, death or damage to property may be caused, and whether or not the same may have been caused or have been alleged to have been caused by negligence of the aforementioned parties or any of their empl										
Owner/Handler/Agent Signature: Date:										
Owner/Handler/Agent Signature:  Parent or Legal Guardian Signature:						_				