

A **USDAA®** Licensed Event

Titling & Tournament Event

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**Being Held At:
American K9 Country
Amherst, NH**

February 12 - 13, 2022

Closing Date: Monday, January 24, 2022

Secondary Closing Date: Monday, February 7, 2022

(For move up in level only)

Judges

Brian Ferrand - Mills River, NC
(Officiating Judge)

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Organizing Committee

The Organizing Committee is the governing body for this event and shall be the sole authority on matters relative to conduct of the event.

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Site Information

American K9 Country

336 Route 101
Amherst, NH 03031
United States



[View on Google Maps](#)

Surface Type: Indoor on Artificial Turf
Ring Configuration: 76'x105'

Directions to the Site:

From the North:

From Concord: Take I-93 South to I-293 toward 101 West. Follow the signs towards 101 West (Bedford-Milford). American K-9 Country is located on Rt. 101, approximately 6 miles from the Rt. 114 interchange. AK9C is on the right, 2 miles after the Weathervane Restaurant, across from the Camp Road at the blinking light.

From the South:

From Nashua: Take Rt. 3/Everett Turnpike (north) to Manchester I-293/101 West. Follow signs towards 101 West (Bedford-Milford). American K-9 Country is on Rt. 101, approximately 6 miles from Rt. 114 interchange. AK9C is on the right, 2 miles after the Weathervane Restaurant, across from the Camp Road at the blinking light. From Boston: Take I-93 North to Manchester I-293 to 101 West. Follow the signs towards 101 West (Bedford-Milford). American K-9 Country is located on Rt. 101, approximately 6 miles from the Rt. 114 interchange. AK9C is on the right, 2 miles after the Weathervane Restaurant, across from the Camp Road at the blinking light.

From the East:

Take Rt. 101 West towards Manchester/Bedford. Follow the signs towards 101 West (Bedford-Milford). American K-9 Country is located on Rt. 101, approximately 6 miles from the Rt. 114 interchange. AK9C is on the right, 2 miles after the Weathervane Restaurant, across from the Camp Road at the blinking light.

From the West:

Take Rt. 101 East towards Manchester/Bedford. Watch for the Salzburg Square Shopping Complex. American K-9 Country is on the left, approximately 1 mile past Salzburg Square. Turn left at the blinking light at Camp Rd.

Check-in & Measuring

Dog Measurements & Certification

All dogs not jumping 24" in the Championship Program or 20" in the Performance Program at local and regional events must be measured unless they have permanent USDAA or World Cynosport Dog Registration status or a temporary card with 3 signatures as required by the regulations, making the dog eligible for their jump height (prior to 3 years of age). Please note that only dogs 18 months of age may be officially measured.

Class Descriptions

Tournament Class Rules & Descriptions

Tournament classes are open to all competitors, regardless of previous experience. Tournaments are held to test a competitors training and performance skills in head-to-head competition. One or more of the following tournament classes may be held at this event:

- **Grand Prix of Dog Agility®**
An individual competition on a standard agility course to earn qualifications towards entry to Cynosport®
- **Dog Agility Steeplechase®**
An individual competition on an enhanced jumpers-style course to earn qualifications towards entry to Cynosport®.
- **Dog Agility Masters® Team**
A Team competition, offered locally as either a two-dog or three-dog team, to test versatility and endurance through the five core class types in

USDAA rules & regulations. Offered in both formats at Regional Championships and at CynosportSM. Earn qualifications towards entry to CynosportSM.

● **Masters Challenge BiathlonSM**

An individual competition on open, fast standard and jumpers courses to earn qualifications towards entry to CynosportSM.

Rules for all tournaments may be downloaded from the Internet at <https://usdaa.com/regulations/tournament-rules.cfm>, and are incorporated here in their entirety by reference. The rules include important disclosures on eligibility and advancement, start and end dates for the current tournament season qualifying period, information on special prizes and awards, advancement rules for each tournament at Regional Championships and CynosportSM championships, and more.

Qualifications in tournament classes also count towards versatility titles (e.g., Tournament MasterSM, Agility Dog ChampionSM and Lifetime Achievement Awards. (see USDAA Rules & Regulations for full details.)

Masters Challenge Biathlon—Concurrent Scoring for Titling Purposes

When the Masters Challenge Biathlon is offered, the two classes in the Biathlon (i.e., Masters Challenge Jumpers and Masters Challenge Standard Agility) are scored on a time-plus-faults basis for a combined tournament score. These classes are concurrently scored for titling purposes pursuant to rules set forth in [Chapter 12 of USDAA Rules & Regulations](#), which are incorporated here in their entirety by reference. Qualifying scores earned in each round of the tournament are recorded for tournament, title, and lifetime achievement awards.

Titling Class Rules & Descriptions

One or more titling classes may be held at this event to test development of competitor skills and training and handling at different experience levels, as described in [Chapters 3 –12 of USDAA Official Rules & Regulations](#), which are incorporated here in their entirety by reference. These can be reviewed and/or downloaded from www.usdaa.com/regulations/usdaa-rules-and-regulations.cfm. Following are informational notes that are included in more detail in the regulations referenced above:

Veteran Classes

One or more veteran classes may be offered at this event. Previous experience in the sport sufficient to establish proficiency and confidence in performance is strongly encouraged as course challenges are presented at the Masters level.

- Veteran Classes are open to a competitor with any dog that is at least eight (8) years of age as of the first day of this event.
- A dog entered in a Veterans titling class on a day may not be entered in that same class in the Championship or Performance Programs. Complete program rules can be found in [Chapter 9 of USDAA Rules & Regulations](#) referenced above.

Pairs Relay—Combined or By Level

Pairs Relay titling classes may be held on a "Combined" basis within each program, meaning that experienced dogs (Masters and/or Advanced levels) may pair with dogs working in lower class levels (Advanced and/or Starter level) for titling purposes. Competitors with dogs in the same program and level may also enter together.

- When offered as on a Combined basis, pairs relay will appear on the Entry Form and Class Schedule as "Combined Relay". When offered by Level, relay will appear as "Pairs Relay", with each level offered being listed on the entry form.
- The two methods of offering pairs relay is in keeping with a primary purpose of the Relay class in promoting camaraderie in working a course with a partner (amendment to regulations effective April 2020).
- A Combined Relay class is run on an Advanced level course and scored under Advanced level rules, and the Qualification is valid for any level title within a program.
- A Pairs Relay by level is run on three different courses to meet the requirements for courses at each experience level (i.e., Starters, Advanced, and Masters).
- When entering a Relay class of either type, simply complete the form marking the appropriate Program and list a partner of choice by including the owners name and their dog's registration number.
 - Alternatively, you may enter as a "draw" team when you do not have a partner and are willing to run with others. For "Pairs Relay" class offered by level, your partner will be drawn from other draw entries of competitors at the same level. For "Combined Relay", your partner will be drawn from other competitors at any level in the same program.
 - A group may pair a competitor with an "accommodating dog" (i.e., one who is not entered in the class) when an odd number of competitors are entered, but the group is not required to do so. In this latter case, a refund of entry fee will be made.
- When a second offering of the class (indicated "2nd run" on the Entry Form) is to be *run on the same course*, each handler runs their chosen portion of the course, and immediately following the first run, competitors run a second time with each running the other section of the course previously run by their partner.

Masters Challenge Program Titling Classes

All dogs - regardless of level of competition - are eligible for entry in the Masters Challenge classes and to earn qualifying scores. These qualifying scores will remain on the dog's record and calculate toward Masters Challenge titles once the dog achieves the Masters Standard / Masters Performance Standard and Masters Jumpers / Masters Performance Jumpers titles.

Additionally, these dogs continue to be eligible for their appropriate level in the regular classes at all levels, unless stipulated otherwise in the Agility Test Schedule. Competitive placements in the Masters Challenge Standard and Jumpers classes accumulate points for annual ranking for Agility Top TenSM and Performance Top TenSM.

Run Order

Saturday
Classes will run PI/S/PII/A/V/PIII/M

Gamble
Standard
MC Standard
Grand Prix
Snooker
Jumpers

Sunday
Classes will run M/PIII/V/A/PII/S/PI

Jumpers
MC Biathlon Jumpers
Snooker
Steeplechase
Combined Pairs x2 rounds
Standard

Tentative Schedule
Saturday, February 12, 2022

Ring 1

Event	Judge
Gamblers Level 1	Ferrand, Brian
Gamblers - Starters	Ferrand, Brian
Gamblers Level 2	Ferrand, Brian
Gamblers - Advanced	Ferrand, Brian
Gamblers - Veterans	Ferrand, Brian
Gamblers Level 3	Ferrand, Brian
Gamblers - Masters	Ferrand, Brian
Standard Level 1	Ferrand, Brian
Standard Agility - Starters	Ferrand, Brian
Standard Level 2	Ferrand, Brian
Standard Agility - Advanced	Ferrand, Brian
Standard - Veterans	Ferrand, Brian
Standard Level 3	Ferrand, Brian
Standard Agility - Masters	Ferrand, Brian
Standard - Performance MC	Ferrand, Brian
Standard Agility - Masters Challenge	Ferrand, Brian
Performance Grand Prix - Local Qualifier	Ferrand, Brian
Grand Prix of Dog Agility® - Local Qualifier	Ferrand, Brian
Snooker Level 1	Ferrand, Brian
Snooker - Starters	Ferrand, Brian
Snooker Level 2	Ferrand, Brian
Snooker - Advanced	Ferrand, Brian
Snooker - Veterans	Ferrand, Brian
Snooker Level 3	Ferrand, Brian
Snooker - Masters	Ferrand, Brian
Jumpers Level 1	Ferrand, Brian
Jumpers - Starters	Ferrand, Brian
Jumpers Level 2	Ferrand, Brian
Jumpers - Advanced	Ferrand, Brian
Jumpers - Veterans	Ferrand, Brian
Jumpers Level 3	Ferrand, Brian
Jumpers - Masters	Ferrand, Brian

Sunday, February 13, 2022

Ring 1

Event	Judge
Jumpers - Masters	Ferrand, Brian
Jumpers Level 3	Ferrand, Brian
Jumpers - Veterans	Ferrand, Brian
Jumpers - Advanced	Ferrand, Brian
Jumpers Level 2	Ferrand, Brian
Jumpers - Starters	Ferrand, Brian
Jumpers Level 1	Ferrand, Brian
Jumpers - Masters Challenge	Ferrand, Brian
Jumpers - Performance MC	Ferrand, Brian
Snooker - Masters	Ferrand, Brian
Snooker Level 3	Ferrand, Brian
Snooker - Veterans	Ferrand, Brian
Snooker - Advanced	Ferrand, Brian
Snooker Level 2	Ferrand, Brian
Snooker - Starters	Ferrand, Brian
Snooker Level 1	Ferrand, Brian
Dog Agility Steeplechase® - Qualifying Round	Ferrand, Brian
Performance Speed Jumping - Qualifying Round	Ferrand, Brian
Combined Pairs Relay	Ferrand, Brian
Combined Pairs Relay - Performance	Ferrand, Brian
Combined Pairs Relay - 2nd Titling Run	Ferrand, Brian
Combined Relay Performance - 2nd Titling Run	Ferrand, Brian
Standard Agility - Masters	Ferrand, Brian
Standard Level 3	Ferrand, Brian
Standard - Veterans	Ferrand, Brian
Standard Agility - Advanced	Ferrand, Brian
Standard Level 2	Ferrand, Brian
Standard Agility - Starters	Ferrand, Brian
Standard Level 1	Ferrand, Brian

Entries & Acceptance

Policy on Refusal of Entry

The Organizing Committee of an event may refuse the entry of any competitor or dog for just cause should the Committee view that participation by the competitor or dog could be prejudicial to the sport. However, in such case, the Committee must notify the competitor in writing upon receipt of entry, but in no case, more than three days following the event closing date for acceptance of entries. The burden of responsibility for the appropriateness of such action rests solely with the host group and its Organizing Committee.

NSF Check/Credit Card

Any check or credit card that is charged back by the bank or other financial institution may be assessed a service charge of up to \$40 per incident at the discretion of the host group.

Returned checks or credit card returns do not constitute a valid entry. Amounts shall be paid within 30 day of postmarked notice of the returned payment if such date follows the event date. Any fees not received within 30 days of notice will result in cancellation of event results for all classes related to the entry for which payment was made. 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.

Refund Policy

There shall be NO REFUNDS for entries withdrawn after the closing date for acceptance of entries, for absentee, dismissal from the event as a result of disciplinary action, dismissal from a class, or for any other reason. Also, no entry fees will be refunded if the event cannot open or be completed by reason of riots, civil disturbances, acts of terrorism, fire, "act of God", public emergency, strike, or any other cause beyond the control of the host organization.

Spam Blocker

Confirmations will be sent via email using the secretary's address. If you have a spam blocker on your email account, please configure it to allow email from the secretary's address since confirmations will be sent from this account.

General Rule on Eligibility

This event is sanctioned by the United States Dog Agility Association, Inc. ("USDAA").

This test is open to all persons with dogs being at least 18 months of age (14 months of age pursuant to Chapter 10 for Intro Program when offered OR for Sanctioned Match), regardless of pedigree or absence thereof, who have a current registration with USDAA and whose owners and the dog's handler are currently in good standing with USDAA.

This event will be held under USDAA[®] Official Rules and Regulations, a copy of which may be viewed and printed online at [USDAA Rules & Regulations](#), as amended.

General Entry Conditions

Policy on Fault Limits

In the event of a larger entry, fault limits may be set at the discretion of the Organizing Committee and/or Judge without pre-event notice.

Statement of Responsibility

Competitors alone are responsible for the behavior of themselves, their dogs, children, and guests. A competitor whose dogs, children or guests create unnecessary disturbances or repeatedly engage in unsafe or disruptive behavior may, at the discretion of the Event Organizing Committee, be asked to leave the test site.

Prohibitions on Aids & Devices

No leads, collars, food, toys or other aids or devices shall be permitted on the course at any time, except as provided for in Chapter 10 when Intro Program classes are offered, or in Chapter 8 when Junior Handler Program classes are offered.

Media Release & Rights of Privacy Waiver









Media Rights Release

I HEREBY GRANT TO USDAA and its affiliated companies, 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 known now or in the future.

Waiver of Rights to Privacy, Publicity & Personality

FURTHER, I HEREBY RELEASE United States Dog Agility Association, Inc. and its affiliates, 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.

Hotel Information

<p><u>Holiday Inn Express - Manchester Airport</u> 1298 South Porter Street Manchester, NH (603) 669-6800</p> <p> View on Google Maps</p>	<p><u>Comfort Inn Airport</u> 298 Queen City Avenue Manchester, NH (603) 668-2600</p> <p> View on Google Maps</p>	<p><u>Residence Inn Nashua Merrimack</u> 246 Daniel Webster Highway Merrimack, NH (603) 424-8100</p> <p> View on Google Maps</p>
<p><u>Towne Place Suites</u> 686 Huse Rd. Manchester, NH (603) 641-2288</p> <p> View on Google Maps</p>	<p><u>Homewood Suites Manchester/Airport</u> 1000 Perimeter Rd. Manchester, NH (603) 668-2200</p> <p> View on Google Maps</p>	<p><u>Best Western</u> 13500 South Willow St. Manchester, NH (877) 627-2525 (603) 627-2525</p> <p> View on Google Maps</p>
<p><u>LaQuinta Inn and Suites</u> 21 Front St. Manchester, NH (603) 669-5400</p> <p> View on Google Maps</p>	<p><u>WoodSpring Suites</u> 2 Executive Park Drive Merrimack, NH (603) 417-4900</p> <p> View on Google Maps</p>	

Other Information

Food

No food will be available on site. Please bring your own snacks, lunch and drinks.

Uber eats and Door Dash are also available for delivery.

Hotels

Sorry NO RV parking.

Accommodations: American K9 Country has corporate rates with many of the hotels on the list. You must ASK for the American K9 Country rate! These hotels have graciously agreed to accept our well mannered dogs.

General Agreement

1.1 - Consideration and Waiver & Acceptance of Liability

IN CONSIDERATION OF the acceptance of this entry and the opportunity to participate and/or to be judged in the event on the dates to which this entry form applies (the "Event"), I understand and willingly accept that there are inherent risks in participating in sporting events, including but not limited to risks associated with events involving animals.

I AGREE TO HOLD HARMLESS each of the parties listed below (including each of their members, officers, directors, agents and employees), hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Event Organizers", 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 myself or the dog listed on the entry form while in or upon the event premises or grounds or near any entrance thereto -

- The Event's Organizing Committee
- The Event Organizer, being the USDAA Affiliated Group (or Groups) hosting or otherwise responsible for conduct of the event
- United States Dog Agility Association, Inc. ("USDAA"), World Cynosport Limited and affiliated companies
- Event Sponsors and Sponsors of the aforementioned parties
- Property Owners of the premises upon which the event is held

I FURTHER AGREE TO HOLD HARMLESS the aforementioned parties from any claim for loss arising as the result of death, injury or illness to myself and the dog listed on my event entry form, or other dogs under my care that are present at the Event, without regard to the cause of such loss, including but not limited to, disappearance of property, theft, injury or other loss caused by the actions of dogs, exposure to or contraction of communicable diseases, whether such loss or injury is caused or alleged to be caused for any reason, including negligence.

I FURTHER WAIVE RIGHT OF CLAIM and agree to hold harmless the aforementioned parties for any claim for loss that may be or have been sustained or incurred as a result of cancellation of this event and any series of events of which this event is a part by reason of war, terrorism, earthquakes, hurricanes, acts of government, plague, pandemic, war, or other circumstances or events beyond the control of the parties.

THROUGH ENTRY TO THIS EVENT I UNDERSTAND, ACKNOWLEDGE, AND ACCEPT ALL RESPONSIBILITY AND LIABILITY FOR ANY LOSS, INCLUDING LEGAL FEES SHALL BE MINE AND MINE ALONE.

1.2 - Acknowledgment & Acceptance of Regulations

I ACKNOWLEDGE THAT I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND USDAA® Official Rules and Regulations and rules for competition (e.g., tournament rules) that relate to the Event, whether incorporated in this General Agreement by reference or as stipulated herein for the Event to which this entry form pertains.

I ACCEPT AND AGREE TO ABIDE BY any and all rulings of the Organizing Committee (and its members), the Event's Disciplinary Action Committee and/or USDAA relative to matters related to the Event.

1.3 - Acknowledgment & Representation of Accuracy

I ACKNOWLEDGE, REPRESENT AND WARRANT that the information supplied by me in the entry form is correct and complete. If any portion of this information is found to be invalid or insufficient to establish the validity of my entry, such finding shall render my entry invalid in its entirety, for which there shall be no refund of fees paid or other recourse against the Event Organizers. Any acceptance of additional information or corrections to information after the closing date shall be at the sole discretion of the Event secretary.

1.4 - Representation of Ownership or Agency

I HEREBY REPRESENT AND WARRANT that I am the owner of the dog listed hereon, or that I have full authority from the dog's owner as their agent to enter the dog in competition and to assume their responsibilities for the care, custody and control of the dog for entry to the Event, and

I AGREE TO HOLD HARMLESS the Event Organizers listed in paragraph 1.1 from any liability or claims, including legal fees, related to such ownership or agency status.

1.5 - Media Release, Grants & Waivers of Rights to Broadcast & Promote

COMPETITOR HEREBY GRANTS TO USDAA and its affiliated companies, 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 known now or in the future.

1.6 - Waiver of Rights to Privacy, Publicity & Personality

FURTHER, COMPETITOR HEREBY RELEASES United States Dog Agility Association, Inc. and its affiliates, 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.

1.7 - Signature/Electronic Submission Execution

THROUGH MY PHYSICAL SIGNATURE ON THE PAPER ENTRY FORM, OR THROUGH MY SUBMISSION OF AN ELECTRONIC ENTRY TO THE EVENT, I ACKNOWLEDGE, ACCEPT AND AGREE TO ABIDE by the provisions of this General Agreement, and all policies, rules, regulations and conditions of entry to the Event

FURTHER, IF ENTRY IS FOR A MINOR, THROUGH MY PHYSICAL SIGNATURE ON THE PAPER ENTRY FORM, OR THROUGH MY SUBMISSION OF AN ELECTRONIC ENTRY TO THE EVENT, I REPRESENT AND WARRANT THAT I AM THE PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN OF THE COMPETITOR/HANDLER entered in the Event, and I ACKNOWLEDGE that I have reviewed all provisions of this General Agreement, policies, rules, regulations, and conditions of entry to the Event with the Minor and I SHALL BE SOLELY RESPONSIBLE FOR THEIR ACTIONS AND COMPLIANCE WITH ALL RULES, REGULATIONS, POLICIES AND PROVISIONS FOR THE EVENT, AND ASSUME FULL LIABILITY FOR MINOR'S ACTIONS AND ACTIONS OF THEIR DOG.

USDAA® Official Dog Registration Form

DOG REGISTRATION - \$40.00

FOR USDAA USE ONLY	
REG #	UJHP #
_____	_____

Dogs must be registered with USDAA in order to compete in USDAA sanctioned events. A registration card and number with a "U" prefix will be issued to facilitate entry at USDAA events and tracking of show results in the regular classes.

You must complete ALL information for a valid registration:

OWNER/HANDLER INFORMATION:

Primary Owner: _____

Name(s) to appear on awards: _____

Junior Handler: _____ DOB: _____ Telephone: _____

Address: _____

City / State: _____ Postal Code: _____ Country: _____

Email Address: _____

DOG INFORMATION:

Formal Name: _____ Call Name: _____

(Dog name to appear on certificates; please print clearly or type)

Breed: _____ DOB: _____ Height @ Withers: _____

(Specify breed or state "All American" to denote mix-breed)

(Estimate if unknown)

(To nearest 1/4")

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