



# Burlington Obedience Training Club

## AGILITY TRIAL

April 18-20, 2025

### TRIAL INFORMATION

The Burlington Obedience Training Club is looking forward to having you with us for our April 2025 Agility Trials at The Field House in Shelburne, Vermont. Spring is in the air and it's time to have some fun with our dogs and our friends. We trust you will find the following information helpful. If you need additional information, please feel free to email us at [Agility@BOTCVT.org](mailto:Agility@BOTCVT.org). If you prefer, you may call Tom's cell phone (802-363-9773) and leave a message (Please be sure to speak slowly, clearly and leave us your name, phone number and the time you called).

**Final Confirmation** An email from us will bring you the final trial confirmation information for you and your dog(s). Please review it carefully and let us know right away if there are any errors or discrepancies so we can correct them prior to the Trial.

**Course Maps** As has now become the normal process for most agility trials, daily course maps for handlers will not be printed.

Copies will be posted at the Field House each day.

At approximately 1:00 am each night, course maps for the following day's classes will be emailed to all exhibitors AND posted for downloading as a single PDF file at the following websites:

<https://CiasCourseMaps.WordPress.com/>

[www.BOTCvt.org](http://www.BOTCvt.org)

<https://mydogentry.com/public/trials?p=c> ...then click on the BOTC trial

**Friday Schedule** **FRIDAY'S TRIAL WILL START AT 10:00 AM.** We hope this gives those of you driving to Vermont the option of driving here on Friday morning!! See the Judging Schedule at the end of this information for the full schedule including Class Briefings and Walk-Thrus.

Friday's Trial running order will be Small dogs to Tall dogs.

### **Saturday / Sunday Schedule**

Saturday and Sunday's Trials will start at 8:00 AM each day.  
Saturday's Trial running order will be Tall dogs to Small dogs.  
Sunday's Trial running order will be Small dogs to Tall dogs.

## Friday - Agility "B" Match

BOTC will be offering a "B" Match at the end of the Trial Day on Friday as part of this weekend's activities. Registration will be done during the day on Friday. More information can be found BOTC's website:

[http://www.botcvt.org/Files/Agility B Match\\_April2025.pdf](http://www.botcvt.org/Files/Agility B Match_April2025.pdf)

## Running Order

The Running Order for all 3 days is included at the end of this document. We've tried our best to arrange the order to avoid conflicts and leave as much time as possible between runs of dogs owned by the same handler. But changes do happen so please stay current on the posted gate sheets so you are aware of changes made to the running order and don't miss your run.

## **IMPORTANT NOTES about the RUNNING ORDERS**

For this year's April Agility Trial, BOTC has made a number of adjustments to the running order of classes and the grouping of dogs for walk thrus.

**SATURDAY AND SUNDAY TRIALS:** As outlined in the Trial Premium, the running order for the Saturday and Sunday trials has been altered from BOTC's usual patterns. This year:

1. The Excellent/Master and Premier classes for BOTH DAYS will start the day and will run first.
2. FAST (Saturday) or Time 2 Beat (Sunday) will follow, and
3. The OPEN/NOVICE Classes will then run thru the end of the day.

This running order will facilitate BOTC's invitation to Tatjana Salcedo to judge our Open, Novice, FAST and Sunday's Time 2 Beat classes as part of her evolution from a Provisional Judge to a fully accredited AKC Agility Judge. This is a process all new AKC judges must follow and it insures that a steady stream of qualified and experienced judges are available to Clubs for their trials.

The AKC relies on local clubs such as BOTC to host provisional judges and afford them the opportunity to gain judging experience. As part of this process we'll have an AKC Representative (David Hirsch) at the Saturday and Sunday trials to work with and observe Tatjana ... and answer any questions you may have about any aspect of AKC Agility Trials and the AKC's Agility Program.

If you have any questions about any aspect of the the judge accreditation process or what you'll see at the trials on Saturday and Sunday, feel free to also ask Tom O'Brien who is an AKC Agility Judge, a VMO and has been through the process himself.

### Parking

Please remember that The Field House also houses an athletic club and a bike touring company. The athletic club is fully open for business again and the bike touring company has tours that start and end at the Field House.

Please do not park in any spaces that are marked for Sojourn Bike Tours. We reserve the right to ask you to move your vehicle if you park in the wrong location.

Please recognize that each of us needs each other to keep this a viable site for all of us. If we're all polite, there should be plenty of parking at the trial site.

### Armbands

Armbands are no longer required by AKC.

### Face Masks

Covid is still with us though rates are low. Face masks may be worn but are not required. BOTC will have face masks and hand sanitizer on hand should you need them. BOTC reserves the right to modify this standard should the wearing of masks be required by the State of Vermont or the Town of Shelburne.

### RV Parking

RV's will again park in the north parking area – the area immediately adjacent to the Field House.

The rest of us can now park anywhere in any of the 3 lots EXCEPT:

1. Please don't park on the shoulder of the road or on the grass. The ground is often soggy and if you sink in, you might need a tow truck to get out and you'll be responsible for the damage to the lawn.
2. Please don't park in any of the spots labeled for use by the bike touring company.

### Set Up

Friday - The building will open at 9:00 AM for exhibitor set up.

We'll be unloading Max 200's equipment and setting up the ring starting at 8:00 AM and could use a hand if you can help.

Please be careful when unpacking your vehicles and crossing the driveway as Friday is a business day and the athletic club can be a busy place in the morning.

Saturday and Sunday - The building will open at 7:00 AM.

### Measuring

All dogs without a jump height card will need to be measured. There will be at least one VMO at the Friday Trial and a VMO and an AKC Rep on Saturday and Sunday. See Tom O'Brien if you need to have a dog measured.

- Those dogs competing without AKC height cards ("temporary" or at least one , yellow "permanent" height card) will need to be measured by the VMO before each dog's first run of the weekend. Please plan to arrive onsite at least 1 hour prior to the start of your class to allow plenty of time for measuring.

- Dogs between 15 and 24 months old only need one measurement and receive a “Temporary” height card that allows them to compete without further measurements until they turn 2 years old.
- Once a dog turns 2 years old, the measuring process starts again but this time each dog must be measured at least twice by two different VMOs or AKC Reps.
- Dogs over two years old that already have the first of the required 2 permanent height card measurements will need to be measured for their second measurement at some time over the weekend. Please check with the VMO to schedule a convenient time for both of you.

### Bathrooms

The Field House has restrooms and showers. These are open and available for our use. As we have done in the past, we will re-sign the Men's Restroom as a Unisex Restroom. The Women's Restroom shall remain exclusively Women.

The Town of Shelburne also owns a small restroom building adjacent to the parking lot. This building is not expected to be open this weekend.

### Crating

You have the option of crating from your vehicle or within the designated crating area inside the building. If crating from your car, please don't expand into or block adjacent parking spaces. Crating space within the building has been adequate in the past but we ask that you respect the aisles and that you try to keep your crates and other belongings fairly compact. We ask that X-pens only be used if you are crating multiple dogs.

As you will note, trial numbers for this event are again lower than is usual for BOTC's April trial – a likely byproduct of the local hotel rates and the addition of new trial sites in New England and Eastern New York. However, in the case of the crating area, this means there will be more space than usual.

### Volunteers

As always, agility trials run because we all volunteer to help. Ring crew volunteers will get paid in actual cash for classes worked. Course builders names will be entered in a daily raffle. We'll also have some other raffles over the course of the weekend.

BOTC's Volunteer hospitality operations will provide water, coffee, tea, and fizzy water (selzter) for volunteers with snacks and munchies.

An online volunteer schedule has been posted. The schedule can be found by following the link on the BOTC Website ([www.BOTCvt.org](http://www.BOTCvt.org)) or by pasting the following URL into your web browser:

[https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1s4IyNYh-0EsaJ5eZy3V0--5Arz1mO0sOsHM9nIZ\\_f90/edit?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1s4IyNYh-0EsaJ5eZy3V0--5Arz1mO0sOsHM9nIZ_f90/edit?usp=sharing)

To use this link, you can:

- Copy and paste the link into the address line of your web browser, or

- Click on the “Volunteer Schedule” link at the BOTC Website ([www.BOTCvt.org](http://www.BOTCvt.org))

## Food

**There will not be a food vendor onsite.** There are a number of small restaurants and take-out locations in Shelburne Village. As well as a Dunkin Donuts, and ice cream scoop shop and sandwich shop above a mile north of the site on Route 7. BOTC will have information available about these locations.

Food is not allowed on the artificial turf areas of The Field House. There is seating/eating area on the Mezzanine overlooking the Trial Area and there is some additional seating on the main level of the Field House building.

## BOTC April 2025 AGILITY TRIAL - CLASS INFORMATION

### **FRIDAY Trial**

Judge:

(Small-to-Tall – sort of)	<u>Jump Heights</u>								
Class		4	8	12	16	20	24	Total	
Master/Excellent/P JWW	-	1	4	8	16	8	2	39	Christine Harrison
Premier/P JWW	-	1	3	1	3	3	1	12	Christine Harrison
Premier Standard	-	-	3	1	6	5	1	16	Christine Harrison
Master/Excellent/P Standard	-	1	3	8	15	8	2	37	Christine Harrison
Time 2 Beat	-	1	5	4	8	9	5	32	Christine Harrison
								136	

### **SATURDAY Trial**

(Tall-to-Small – sort of)		Jump Heights							
Class		24	20	16	12	8	4	Total	
Master/Excellent/P JWW	-	2	8	17	8	3	1	39	Christine Harrison
Master/Excellent/P Standard	-	2	6	16	7	2	1	34	Christine Harrison
FAST (Combined N/O/E/M)	-	5	22	19	11	5	1	63	Tatjana Salcedo
Open/P Standard	-	1	7	3	3	2	-	16	Tatjana Salcedo
Novice/P Standard	-	1	10	3	2	2	-	18	Tatjana Salcedo
Open/P JWW	-	-	6	4	2	1	-	13	Tatjana Salcedo
Novice/P JWW	-	2	10	5	2	1	-	20	Tatjana Salcedo
								203	

### **SUNDAY Trial**

(Tall-to-Tall)	Jump Heights							Total	
Class	-	4	8	12	16	20	24		
Premier/P JWW	-	-	2	1	3	2	1	9	Christine Harrison
Master/Excellent/P JWW	-	1	3	7	13	8	1	33	Christine Harrison
Master/Excellent/P Standard	-	1	2	6	12	5	1	27	Christine Harrison
Time 2 Beat	-	-	3	4	9	11	3	30	Tatjana Salcedo
Open/P Standard	-	-	1	3	2	7	1	14	Tatjana Salcedo
Novice/P Standard	-	-	1	2	5	9	1	18	Tatjana Salcedo
Open/P JWW	-	-	-	2	4	5	-	11	Tatjana Salcedo
Novice/P JWW	-	-	1	2	5	9	2	19	Tatjana Salcedo
								161	

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## DAILY CLASS SCHEDULES

<b>FRIDAY</b> (Small-to-Tall)	First Briefing	9:40 AM	
	Walk thrus	9:45 AM	
	Judging Begins:	10:00 AM	4"-24" Master/Excellent/P JWW
			4"-24" Premier/P JWW
			4"-24" Premier/P Standard
			4"-24" Master/Excellent/P Standard
			4"-24" Time 2 Beat

**Please Note! All briefings for all heights will occur before each class starts.**

There will be split Walk-thrus for the Time 2 Beat and the Excellent/Master Classes as follows:

For JWW, STD & T2B: 4/8/12/20 will walk, 16/24 will Walk, Group will Run  
Workers will change "on the fly" at the end of the 20" dogs.  
Workers for the 16" dogs should be ready to step into their jobs when the last 20" dog runs.

For Premier STD & JWW Group will Walk, Group will Run (One walk)

<b>SATURDAY</b> (Tall to Small)	First Briefing	7:35 AM	
	Walk thrus	7:45 AM	
	Judging Begins:	8:00 AM	24"-4" Master/Excellent/P JWW
			24"-4" Master/Excellent/P Standard
			24"-4" FAST/P (Nov/Open/Exc/Mas Combined)
			24"-4" Open/P Standard
			24"-4" Novice/P Standard
			24"-4" Open/P JWW
			24"-4" Novice/P JWW

**Please Note! All briefings for all heights will occur before each class starts.**

Mas/Exc STD & JWW: 20/12/8/4 will Walk, 24/16 will Walk, then Group Runs

Workers will change "on the fly" at the end of the 4" dogs.  
Workers for the 24" dogs should be ready to step into their jobs when the last 4" dog runs.

FAST (Mas/Exc/Open/Novice ) 24/20 will walk, 16 will walk, 12/8/4 will Walk,  
Group will Run,

Workers will change "on the fly" at the end of the 20" & 16" dogs. Workers for the 16" and 12" dogs should be ready to step into their jobs when the last 20" & 16" dogs run.

Open STD and JWW Group will walk, then Run  
Novice STD and JWW Group will walk, then Run

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## DAILY CLASS SCHEDULES

<b>SUNDAY</b> (Small to Tall)	First Briefing	7:35 AM	
	Walk thrus	7:45 AM	
	Judging Begins:	8:00 AM	
			4"-24" Premier/P JWW
			4"-24" Master/Excellent/P JWW
			4"-24" Master/Excellent/P Standard
			4"-24" Time 2 Beat
			4"-24" Open/P Standard
			4"-24" Novice/P Standard
			4"-24" Open/P JWW
			4"-24" Novice/P JWW

**Please Note! All briefings for all heights will occur before each class starts.**

There will be split Walk thrus for Excellent/Master Standard, Excellent/Master JWW and Time 2 Beat. Walk thrus shall be as follows

Premier/P JWW

Group will Walk then Run

Mas/Exc STD & JWW  
& Time 2 Beat

4/8/12/20 will Walk, 16/24 will Walk, Group will Run

Workers will change "on the fly" at the end of the 20" dogs. Workers for the 16" dogs should be ready to step into their jobs when the last 20" dog runs.

Open STD and JWW:  
Novice STD and JWW:

Group will Walk then Run.

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## **DIRECTIONS TO THE TRIAL SITE:**

From CANADA, NH, MA, CT, ME and RI: The Field House is approximately 6.5 miles from Exit 13, I-89.

- Take Interstate I-89 to Interstate I-189 (exit 13).
- Follow I-189 approximately 2 miles to its termination.
- Turn left onto US Route 7 south (Shelburne Road) and follow south to the Village of Shelburne.
- At the traffic light in the center of the Village, turn right onto Harbor Road.
- After crossing the railroad tracks, turn right at the second street onto Athletic Drive.

From New York State:

- Travel north on Interstate I-87 (The Northway) to Exit 20 (Queensbury).
- Turn left and follow the signs for Route 149 to Fort Ann.
- In the center of Fort Ann, turn left at the traffic light and drive north on U.S. Route 4 for about 19 miles to Route 22A in Vermont.
- Turn left on to Route 22A North and drive 40 miles thru Vergennes to its intersection with Route 7.
- Turn left on to US Route 7 north and drive to Shelburne.
- In the Shelburne village turn left at the traffic light at the gas station on to Harbor Road.
- After crossing the railroad tracks, turn right at the second street onto Athletic Drive.

## **DIRECTIONS TO THE EMERGENCY VETERINARIAN**

### **Directions to Burlington Emergency Veterinary Services (BEVS):**

Go out entry drive (Athletic Drive) from The Field House:

Turn left onto Harbor Road.

At the traffic light turn left (north) onto US Route 7 (Shelburne Road).

Turn right onto I-189 North and merge onto I-89 South to Williston/Montpelier.

Take I-89 Exit 12 (next exit) and turn left onto Vermont Route 2A.

Proceed north 0.4 miles to the traffic light (Longhorn Steakhouse on left)

Turn left onto Marshall Avenue.

Go 1.4 miles on Marshall Avenue..

BEVS is on the left.

**Estimated driving time: 15-20 minutes.**

**BEVS Telephone Number: 802-863-2387**