

# The 11th Agility Association of Canada sanctioned meet in Yellowknife, NT Saturday, August 26 and Sunday, August 27, 2023 at the Tommy Forrest Ballpark (an outdoors sand mix surface) Judge: Tracey Mallison, Abbotsford, B.C. Opening Date for premiums: July 13, 2023 Closing Date for premiums: August 20, 2023

## Trial Entry Rules

This is a Limited Entry Trial.

Entries can be mailed, couriered, hand-delivered, or emailed. Please ensure that a signature is not required for couriered delivery. Entries cannot be faxed.

There must be a separate entry for each dog. A mailed or couriered envelop can only contain entries from one household. Entries must be signed by the owner, as identified on the AAC ID dog ID card. Unsigned entries or entries signed by anyone other than the owner will not be accepted.

All dogs must have an AAC ID Card to compete in an AAC Trial.

Entry fees are payable to Rruff Diamonds Dog Agility Club, via cheque or through e-transfer. E-transfers can be sent to rruffdiamonds@gmail.com and must be completed by the closing date: All information, including confirmation of entries, will be sent to the owner, through e-mail. Entry fees are: \$18 for each race entered or \$175.00, if entered in 12 events. Entries must be mailed, courier, hand-delivered or e-mailed to:

> Shelley Ingram, Trial Secretary Yellowknife, Phone / Text: 403.361.0261 shelley.ingram@outlook.com

### **Bitches in Season**

The Club is participating in AAC's bitches in season (BIS) pilot project which allows a BIS to compete at the trial. Please be advised failure to abide by the pilot program rules set out by AAC may lead to BIS no longer being allowed to run at any future AAC events. These rules are as follows regarding there being a BIS on site: • Handlers are required to notify the trial secretary that they are running a BIS as soon as it is known. This is so that required adjustments to the trial format can be made as well as allowing the trial secretary to notify all competitors that a BIS will be on site. • BIS are required to always wear protective panties except when in their designated potty area. Protective panties are not required to be worn while running the course. • A protective mat must be used at the start line.

The handler is required to provide their own mat. • Handlers/ Owners are required to minimize the exposure of their BIS to other dogs and limit their movements around the trial grounds. This includes using the BIS designated potty area only.

A handler may pull their BIS from the trial, instead of running them, provided they let the trial secretary know as soon as they know that their bitch is in season. Please note if these BIS rules are not followed the dog will be excused from the trial and no refund will be given.

# Start Times

Check-in and Height Measurement of dogs begins at 9:00 am, Saturday and 9:00 am on Sunday, if needed First Dog on the line for the first race is at 9:30 am, Saturday and 10:00 am on Sunday The meet proceeds rain or shine.

All handlers must present their height cards at check-in. Please email a picture or scanned copy of your completed height card to rruffdiamonds@gmail.com so we can check you in before the trial. Those that still need a measurement to finish their cards can check in during the measuring process.

### **Events and Classes**

Saturday - 1 Gamble, 2 Standard, 1 Snooker and 2 Jumpers Sunday - 2 Gamble, 1 Standard, 2 Snooker and 1 Jumpers Each event will have 3 classes, Starters, Advanced and Masters

#### **Height Categories and Jump Heights**

Shoulder Height	Height Division			
	Regular	Special	Vets/Vets' Double Drop	
<= 12"	8″	4″	4"	
> 12" ≤ 15"	12"	8″	8"/4"	
> 15" ≤ 18"	16"	12"	12" / 8"	
> 18" ≤ 22"	20"	16"	16" / 12"	
> 22"	24"	20"	20" / 16"	

### **Class Changes during the meet**

If you get a title on Saturday, you may move to the next level on Sunday. Please advise the Trial Secretary about any move-ups at the end of the meet events on Saturday. Because there are usually 15 or less teams at the meet, same day move-ups are also permitted, subject to the approval of the judge. Please advise the Trial Secretary before the meet if this may apply to you. **Prizes** 

1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th place ribbons for each height division in each class, Qualifying Run ribbons and Rosettes for AAC titles earned. **Veterinarian** 

There are 2 veterinary clinics, the Yellowknife Veterinary Clinic and Great Slave Animal Hospital. Both offer some emergency services excluding Sundays.

#### **Additional Information for Participants**

We are a small club, and the event is a small meet, typically less than 15 dogs. We hope that everyone at the site is willing to help whenever help is needed. We are a long way from southern competitions and only a few Yellowknife teams have participated in southern meets. This is our 11th meet, so please bring your patience, enthusiasm, and sportsmanship to this event.

Competitors, through submission of entry, acknowledge that they are knowledgeable of AAC rules and regulations, and agree to abide by all rules in effect at the time of this trial.

This event will be held in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Agility Association of Canada (AAC). All equipment conforms to AAC Standards. The equipment meets AAC standards and includes a breakaway/self-healing tire. The timing will be done manually.

A dog demonstrating aggression to any person or any dog, inside or outside the ring, will be excused from the trial. Any dog that the judge feels is not in enough control to perform all obstacles in a safe manner will be excused from the trial.

A dog that has entered this trial and subsequently earns a title shall be permitted to move up in a class providing the Trial Secretary is notified by email by the Monday prior to the Yellowknife trial weekend.

Review your entry form carefully before sending to ensure all required information has been completed, including dog's ID number, class, and correct jump height. Incomplete entries will not be valid. The Release Form /General Agreement must be signed. Please provide e-mail addresses as communications will be through e-mail.

Every dog at this event is in the care and custody and control of his owner or handler during the entire time the dog is on the trial site. Dogs must be kept under control always and must be penned, crated, or leashed when not competing. Any competitor whose dog creates unnecessary disturbances or repeatedly engage in unsafe or disruptive behaviour may, at the discretion of the Trial Secretary, be asked to leave the trial site.

There are no refunds for any dog or competitor dismissed from the trial for any reason. NO REFUNDS, CANCELLATIONS, OR CHANGES are given or made AFTER THE CLOSING DATE. RRUFF DIAMONDS DOG AGILITY RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REFUSE ANY ENTRY.

# Complete this form and read, sign the Release Form and deliver these forms to the Trial Secretary.

Owner Handler Information			
Owner's Name:	Handler's name: (if different)		
Telephone:	e-mail		

Dog Information			
Dog's name:	AAC ID #		
Breed:	Birth Date:		
Height at Shoulders: inches			

Height Dog			
will Jump:			

Dog Competes in (circle one):	Regular	Special	Veterans Veterans Double Drop

	Which events do	What level are you competing in?				
	you want to	(Circle)				
	enter?					
	(Circle)					
Saturday		Starters	Advanced	Masters	For Exhibit Only FEO	Junior Handler?
Saturday	Gamble 1	Starters	Advanced	Masters	FEO	Junior
	Standard 1	Starters	Advanced	Masters	FEO	Junior
	Standard 2	Starters	Advanced	Masters	FEO	Junior
	Snooker 1	Starters	Advanced	Masters	FEO	Junior
	Jumpers 1	Starters	Advanced	Masters	FEO	Junior
	Jumpers 2	Starters	Advanced	Masters	FEO	Junior
	Gamble 2	Starters	Advanced	Masters	FEO	Junior
Sunday	Gamble 3	Starters	Advanced	Masters	FEO	Junior
	Standard 3	Starters	Advanced	Masters	FEO	Junior
	Snooker 2	Starters	Advanced	Masters	FEO	Junior
	Snooker 3	Starters	Advanced	Masters	FEO	Junior
	Jumpers 3	Starters	Advanced	Masters	FEO	Junior

Are you running any of these runs as FEO? Mark them clearly. Are you running any of these runs as a Junior Handler? Mark them clearly

Number of events entered \_\_\_\_\_\_ X \$18.00 = \$\_\_\_\_\_ Discount for entering 12 events - \$175.00

## PARTICIPATION WAIVER AND RELEASE

#### Handler Name:

Dog 1 Name:	_(the " <b>Dog</b> ")	AAC Dog ID#:
Dog 2 Name:	_(the " <b>Dog</b> ")	AAC Dog ID#:

In consideration of the acceptance of this entry by AAC and the Rruff Diamonds Dog Agility Club (the "Organizing Club") and the opportunity to have the Dog participate, compete in and/or be judged at this event or trial (the "**Event**"), I, the undersigned, agree as follows:

1. I certify that I am the actual owner of the Dog, or that I am the duly authorized agent of the actual owner of the Dog and that the Dog is not a hazard to persons, property or other dogs.

2. I agree that AAC or the Organizing Club for the Event may refuse my entry for any reason that it deems to be sufficient.

3. I understand and acknowledge that participation in the Event carries certain risks, including, but not limited to injuries (including serious injuries and death) to myself, the Dog, another dog under my control or persons attending as my guests (my "**Related Parties**"), damage to property and other losses. I waive any and all claims that I have or may have in the future against, and release from all liability and agree not to sue AAC, the Organizing Club or any of the directors, executives, committees, representatives, employees, volunteers or agents of either AAC or the Organizing Club (the "**Personnel**") for any injury, death, property damage or other loss that I or my Related Parties sustain due to any cause whatsoever, including negligence, breach of contract, breach of duty, statutory or otherwise, or mistakes or errors of judgment of any kind.

4. I assume full responsibility for the conduct of myself and my Related Parties during the entirety of the Event. I agree to indemnify and save harmless AAC, the Organizing Club and the Personnel from and against any and all claims that may be made against them or costs, fees, expenses or liability (including, without limitation, lawyers' fees on a solicitor and own client basis) incurred by AAC, the Organizing Club or the Personnel that may arise due to:

(a) any act or omission of myself, my Related Parties or any party for whom I am liable at law; or

(b) aggressive behaviour by the Dog or any other dog under my control.

5. I have read, and do understand the rules of competition and the additional rules (if any) appearing in the trial schedule for the Event, as well as the policies of AAC pertaining to discipline (collectively, the "**Rules**"). I agree to abide by the Rules and to conduct myself and the Dog in accordance with the Rules. I understand that myself and/or the Dog may be subject to disciplinary procedures or sanctions for breach of the Rules and agree to respect and be bound by any disciplinary decision made by AAC.

6. I understand that AAC and/or the Organizing Club may, in the course of administering the Event or conducting its activities generally, collect, use or disclose my personal information and that any personal information collected, used or disclosed by AAC and/or the Organizing Club will be treated in accordance with AAC policy and applicable privacy and personal information laws. I hereby consent to the collection, use and disclosure by AAC and/or the Organizing Club of my personal information.

7. I Hereby Grant to AAC 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.

Further, I hereby release Agility Association of Canada 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 rights.

8. I have been given the opportunity to read and understand the terms of this Agreement before signing it, and have in fact done so. I understand that by signing this Agreement, I am restricting my legal rights and I sign this Agreement voluntarily and of my own free will.

Signature:

Parent or Guardian must sign if the Handler is under 18 years of age.

Date (dd/mm/yy):

Entry not valid unless Waiver is signed, dated and submitted with the correct fee.