

A **USDAA®** Licensed Event

Titling & Tournament Classes

hosted by



**Canine Combustion
Dog Agility Club**

**Being Held At:
Ann Arbor Dog Training Club
Whitmore Lake, MI**

September 16 - 17, 2022
Closing Date: Monday, September 12, 2022

Judges

Lonny Elson - Flagstaff, AZ
(Officiating Judge)

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All judges, exhibitors and/or guests will be expected to follow established health guidelines relating to COVID-19. Guidelines imposed by the Club and/or facility may be more stringent than current local, state or CDC guidelines. Any person not following these guidelines will be immediately excused from the trial without refund.

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.

Chairperson

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Secretary

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Chief Course Builder

Kathy Wells

Site Information

Ann Arbor Dog Training Club

1575 E North Territorial Rd
Whitmore Lake, MI 48189
United States



[View on Google Maps](#)
aadtc.org

Surface Type: Indoor on Artificial Turf
Ring Configuration: 100" W x 105" L

Directions to the Site:

From the North:

US-23 south to exit 49 - N. Territorial and turn left Go about 1+ mile over the railroad tracks and Turn left onto Hoban Way Building is at end of road on right.

From the South:

M-14 or I-94 to US-23 north to exit 49 - N. Territorial and turn right Go about 1+ mile over the railroad tracks and turn left onto Hoban Way Building is at end of road on right.

From the East:

M-14 or I-94 to US-23 north to exit 49 - N. Territorial and turn right onto N. Territorial Go about 1+ mile over the railroad tracks and turn left onto Hoban Way Building is at end of road on right.

From the West:

M-14 or I-94 to US-23 north to exit 49 - N. Territorial Turn right onto N. Territorial Go about 1+ mile over the railroad tracks. Turn left onto Hoban Way Building at end of road on right.

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.

Tentative Schedule

Friday, September 16, 2022

Ring 1

Event	Judge
Gamblers - Starters	Elson, Lonny
Gamblers Level 1	Elson, Lonny
Gamblers - Advanced	Elson, Lonny
Gamblers Level 2	Elson, Lonny
Gamblers - Masters	Elson, Lonny
Gamblers Level 3	Elson, Lonny
Gamblers - Veterans	Elson, Lonny
Standard Agility - Starters	Elson, Lonny
Standard Level 1	Elson, Lonny
Standard Agility - Advanced	Elson, Lonny
Standard Level 2	Elson, Lonny
Standard Level 3	Elson, Lonny
Standard Agility - Masters	Elson, Lonny
Standard - Veterans	Elson, Lonny
Combined Pairs Relay	Elson, Lonny
Combined Pairs Relay - Performance	Elson, Lonny
Combined Pairs Relay - 2nd Titling Run	Elson, Lonny
Combined Relay Performance - 2nd Titling Run	Elson, Lonny
Snooker - Starters	Elson, Lonny
Snooker Level 1	Elson, Lonny
Snooker - Advanced	Elson, Lonny
Snooker Level 2	Elson, Lonny
Snooker - Masters	Elson, Lonny
Snooker Level 3	Elson, Lonny
Snooker - Veterans	Elson, Lonny
Jumpers - Starters	Elson, Lonny
Jumpers Level 1	Elson, Lonny
Jumpers - Advanced	Elson, Lonny
Jumpers Level 2	Elson, Lonny
Jumpers - Masters	Elson, Lonny
Jumpers Level 3	Elson, Lonny
Jumpers - Veterans	Elson, Lonny

Saturday, September 17, 2022

Ring 1

Event	Judge
Jumpers - Starters	Elson, Lonny
Jumpers - Starters	TBA
Biathlon MC Performance Standard	TBA
Jumpers Level 1	Elson, Lonny
Jumpers - Advanced	Elson, Lonny
Jumpers Level 2	Elson, Lonny
Jumpers - Masters	Elson, Lonny
Jumpers Level 3	Elson, Lonny
Jumpers - Veterans	Elson, Lonny
Biathlon MC Jumpers	Elson, Lonny
Biathlon MC Performance Jumpers	Elson, Lonny
Dog Agility Steeplechase® Qualifier	Elson, Lonny
Standard Agility - Starters	Elson, Lonny
Standard Level 1	Elson, Lonny
Standard Agility - Advanced	Elson, Lonny
Standard Level 2	Elson, Lonny
Standard Agility - Masters	Elson, Lonny
Standard Level 3	Elson, Lonny
Standard - Veterans	Elson, Lonny
Biathlon MC Standard Agility	Elson, Lonny
Biathlon MC Performance Standard	Elson, Lonny
Grand Prix of Dog Agility® Qualifier	Elson, Lonny
Gamblers - Starters	Elson, Lonny
Gamblers Level 1	Elson, Lonny
Gamblers - Advanced	Elson, Lonny
Gamblers Level 2	Elson, Lonny
Gamblers - Masters	Elson, Lonny
Gamblers Level 3	Elson, Lonny
Gamblers - Veterans	Elson, Lonny

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 Cynosport®. Earn qualifications towards entry to Cynosport®.
- **Masters Challenge BiathlonSM**
An individual competition on open, fast standard and jumpers courses to earn qualifications towards entry to Cynosport®.

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 Cynosport® championships, and more.

Qualifications in tournament classes also count towards versatility titles (e.g., Tournament MasterSM, Agility Dog Champion® 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.

Mixed-Height Pairs Entry Allowed

Dogs entered as partners in pairs relay at this event may be combined without regard to jump height, i.e. a mini dog may be entered as a partner with an open dog. Any pair consisting of at least one open dog must qualify in accordance with the QCT set forth by the judge of record for Open Pairs AND will be considered an open pair for placement purposes.

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 days 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.

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.

Next-Day Move-Ups Allowed At This Event

Competitors earning a qualification during the Event that is needed to complete a title may advance their level THE NEXT DAY at the same event, i.e. move-ups on consecutive days ARE allowed.

Competitors are responsible for keeping accurate records of their qualifying scores and the judges from whom these scores were earned prior to this event to ensure that the dog is eligible to move up based upon scores earned at this Event. Competitors are advised to confirm scores earned with the scorekeeper and judge at the conclusion of a class to ensure the qualifying score has been accurately calculated and awarded in accordance with regulations. If for any reason it is determined that the score or previous scores were inaccurate, making the entry ineligible for the higher level class, any results (including awards) shall be forfeited and the entry will be deemed invalid without refund or other recourse.

Move-up forms supplied by this event must be used to notify the secretary BEFORE she leaves the site the day on which you earn your title.

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.

Fix & Continue Will Be Allowed At This Event

The USDAA Policy Statement on Training in the Ring or "Fix & Continue" has been adopted for this event and is hereby incorporated in its entirety by reference. Competitors are expected to familiarize themselves with this policy, which can be found on the USDAA web site at [Official USDAA Policy Statements](#)

Fix & Continue during a competition run generally provides for repeat of an obstacle at handler's discretion under conditions set forth in the Policy Statement. When discretion is exercised to utilize the Fix & Continue, their score will be recorded as an elimination and the maximum course time set to 60 seconds. This practice may be utilized only once in any Standard, Jumpers, or Relay class (including similarly-styled tournament classes at qualifying events). The competitor must continue working the course in flow, while "fixing" and "continuing" on the course. See the Policy Statement referenced above for complete details.

Mulligan Runs

Based upon the number of runs per day at this trial Mulligan Runs may be available for one or more classes each day. The Show Committee shall determine in which class(es) a Mulligan Run will be allowed. Availability and cost for each run shall be announced in final confirmations. Only competitors entered in the class are eligible for a Mulligan Run per USDAA policy which is hereby incorporated by reference.

A competitor must sign up and pay for their Mulligan Run immediately following their titling run (if they didn't sign up/pay for a Mulligan Run prior) and prior to the completion of the class. A Mulligan Run sign-up sheet will be made available. When Mulligans are running concurrently with another ring at an event, only silent toys are allowed and may not be tossed. Food, treats, training aids are not allowed.

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

Best Western - Whitmore Lake

9897 Main Street Whitmore Lake, MI
(734) 449-2958



[View on Google Maps](#)

Motel 6 Ann Arbor #1247

3764 S. State St. Ann Arbor, MI
(800) 466-8356 (734) 665-9900



[View on Google Maps](#)

Red Roof Inn Ann Arbor- U of M North

3621 Plymouth Rd. Ann Arbor, MI
(800) 733-7663 (734) 996-5800



[View on Google Maps](#)

Comfort Inn

2455 Carpenter Road Ann Arbor, MI
(734) 477-9977



[View on Google Maps](#)

Other Information

Half-Off New Handlers and New Starters Dog

For those handlers that are trying USDAA for the first time, we are offering a discount of half-off of the new dog's entry fees. Yes, half-off of all classes entered for a NEW USDAA agility dog and handler.

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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