

LOW COUNTRY DOG AGILITY OF GREATER CHARLESTON, INC
presents a
USDAA® Sanctioned Agility Test



**SATURDAY AND SUNDAY
APRIL 17 & 18, 2010**

**LCDA TRAINING FIELD
1987 ASHLEY RIVER RD
CHARLESTON SC 29407**



**THIS EVENT WILL BE HELD OUTDOORS ON GRASS
ELECTRONIC TIMING MAY BE USED AT THIS EVENT**

***JUDGE
DAVID BOZAK
OSWEGO, NEW YORK***

Classes Offered

Saturday- Gamblers, Snooker, Jumpers, Standard at all Levels

Sunday- Jumpers, Gamblers, Standard at all Levels; Masters/P3 Snooker

**ENTRY CLOSING DATE: MONDAY, APRIL 5TH
ENTRIES SENT BY OVERNIGHT MAIL MUST BE SENT 'NO SIGNATURE REQUIRED'.
SECONDARY CLOSING FOR ADVANCEMENT IN LEVEL ONLY IS MONDAY, APRIL 12TH**

USDAA®, AGILITY DOG®, ADVANCED AGILITY DOG®, MASTER AGILITY DOG®, AGILITY DOG CHAMPION®, DOG AGILITY STEEPLECHASE® AND GRAND PRIX OF DOG AGILITY® ARE REGISTERED TRADEMARKS AND, JUMPERS MASTER™, GAMBLERS MASTER™, RELAY MASTER™, SNOOKER MASTER™, PERFORMANCE DOG I™, PERFORMANCE DOG II™, PERFORMANCE DOG III™, ACCOMPLISHED PERFORMANCE DOG™, PERFORMANCE GRAND PRIX™, AND PERFORMANCE SPEED JUMPING™ ARE SERVICE MARKS OF UNITED STATES DOG AGILITY ASSOCIATION, INC.

NOTES TO COMPETITORS

Competitors, through submission of entry, acknowledge that they are knowledgeable of USDAA rules and regulations including but not limited to the following rules regarding entry: USDAA's official rules & regulations as amended July 1, 2009 are hereby incorporated by reference.

JUMP HEIGHTS

Following are the jump heights for the Championship program; those for the Performance program are in parentheses.

| Jump Heights | <u>Dog Height</u> | <u>Jump Height</u> | <u>Long Jump</u> | <u>Table</u> | <u>A-Frame</u> | |
|--------------|-------------------|--------------------|------------------|--------------|----------------|---|
| | Over 21" | 26" (22") | 60" (48") | 24" (16") | 5'10"* (5'6") | * Variances in a-frame height will be determined by the angle at the apex. Re-designed long jump in use; P8" dogs jump 2 nd board only. |
| | 21" or less | 22" (16") | 48" (36") | 24" (16") | 5'10"* (5'6") | |
| | 16" or less | 16" (12") | 36" (20") | 16" (12") | 5'6"* (5'6") | |
| | 12" or less | 12" (8") | 20" (6") | 12" (12") | 5'6"* (5'6") | |

- This test is open to all dogs 18 months of age by the date of this trial, both purebred and mixed breeds, except bitches in season, dogs suffering from any deformity, injury, or illness which may affect the dog's physical or mental performance, or dogs exhibiting signs of aggression toward people or other dogs.
- All dogs must be registered with USDAA in order to compete in this event. Registration may be made concurrently with entry to this trial. (There is a registration form at the end of the test schedule for this purpose).
 - Register online and obtain a registration number immediately and a measurement card prior to the show online at www.usdaa.com. Click on General Information, Dog Registration.
- 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.
- Returned checks do not constitute a valid entry. There will be a \$20.00 service charge for returned checks. Payment of entry fees and service charges shall be made in cash or money order within 30 days of postmark of notice of returned check if notification is received after 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 cancelled without recourse by owner/handler.
- THERE SHALL BE NO REFUNDS for entries withdrawn after the closing date or in the event a dog and/or handler are dismissed from competition, regardless of the reason for such dismissal.
- Overpayments of less than \$5.00 will not be refunded.
- No entry fees will be refunded if the Test cannot open or be completed by the reason of riots, civil disturbances, fire, Act of God, public emergency, act of a public enemy, strike or any other cause beyond the control of the organizers.
- This event will be held outdoors on grass, within one ring. Our training facility is fenced. However, we do not guarantee that the fence will contain all dogs. It is the handler's responsibility to keep their dog contained and safe. There will be ample room for crating ringside and a porta pottie, but no other provisions for sun or rain. Parking will be provided close to, but not at ringside. Please bring your own chairs and blanket and/or canopy.
- There is water available on site, should you need to wet down your dog or hose off something. If it does not appear to be working, please ask a club member and they can assist you with getting the water turned on.
- Please do not wander down the dirt roads surrounding the facility. These are residential driveways and you will be trespassing.

- A single warm-up jump will be provided for competitors. The warm up area is located behind the score tent and is separately fenced.
- All dogs must be on leash except when being judged or in the warm-up area.
- Safety shall always be of foremost consideration in actions and conduct by handlers at all times.
- Competitors alone are responsible for the behavior of their dogs and/or children. Anyone whose dogs and/or children create unnecessary disturbances or repeatedly engage in unsafe or disruptive behavior may, at the discretion of the Trial Committee, be asked to leave the test site.
- In the event of a large entry, at the discretion of the organizing committee/judge, it may be necessary to impose fault limits in some or all classes.
- No leads, collars, food, toys or other aids or training devices shall be permitted on the course at any time.
- All 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 indication of identity for broadcast, telecast, cablecast, transmission or distribution in any format or media now 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, or any similar right.
- Fault limits may be imposed and announced during the judges' briefings.
- Entries For Exhibition Only will not be allowed. Change of jump heights will be made only when the dog is required to move into a higher category by the judge's measure-in. The handler can decide to run For Exhibition Only in the lower height, but no awards or qualifying scores may be earned and no change in program is allowed at check in.

This is a one ring, one judge show, and there will not be any conflicts, so we expect all competitors to pitch in and work at the trial. In return, we will provide all competitors with the great food and southern hospitality that our club is known for.

HOTELS THAT ACCEPT DOGS

Here is a list of dog-friendly hotels in the Charleston Area. Please check with the hotel to verify their pet policy before making reservations.

La Quinta Charleston- 843-797-8181

La Quinta Charleston Riverview- 843-556-5200

Residence Inn by Marriott- 843-571-7979

Town & Country Inn & Conference Center- 1-800-334-6660

Quality Suites Convention Center- 843-747-7300

Motel 6, 843-556-5144

Lands Inn 843-763-8885

Best Western Sweetgrass Inn 843-571-6100

Hawthorn Suites, 843-225-4411

Red Roof Inn Mt Pleasant 843-884-1411

Red Roof Inn Airport. 843-572-9100

****Please note that Charleston is a tourist town. Remember to make your reservations early.****

DIRECTIONS TO SHOW SITE

The trial site is physically located at 1987 Ashley River Rd Charleston SC 29407. Please note the following: Our driveway is difficult to locate. There is a small strip mall called Pinepoint Plaza that is located across the street. It contains a post office and a fitness club. Pull into the shopping plaza. Find the drop boxes for the US Mail. Look directly across the street and you will see our training field and a small sign that says Simons Place. The dirt road that the sign marks is the road to our training field. You can then easily drive to our field. Should you get lost, call 843-364-2009 or 843-906-0160.

There are a lot of roads in the area with Ashley in the name. So make sure that you are on Ashley River Road which is also Hwy 61.

Electrical Outlets

Competitors are not allowed to plug anything into the electrical outlets. We are on a limited power supply, and we cannot overload the system.

VENDORS

All vendors must contact the trial chairperson one month prior to the event in order to gain approval of the trial committee and obtain all necessary permits.

ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

| | |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------|
| Chair..... | LeAnne Meyer |
| Test Secretary & Scorekeeper..... | Kathy Price |
| Chief Course Builder..... | Ken Walker |
| Prizes & Awards..... | Courtney Holscher |
| Chief Ring Steward..... | Deirdre Luttrell |
| Equipment..... | Randy Hunter |
| Hospitality..... | Mary Evans |

Send trial correspondence to Kathy Price, 232 Saint Awdry Street, Summerville, SC 29485. You can phone Kathy at (843) 906-0160. You may e-mail her at sheltieecho@knology.net. For emergencies only, the club's backup phone number is (843) 364-2009 No calls before 7am or after 9pm.

PRIZES AND AWARDS

Placement ribbons will be awarded in each jump height in which there is competition for 1st – 4th places in all classes (pairs will be awarded to mini and open divisions). A maroon qualifying ribbon for those achieving a qualifying score will also be awarded.

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE*

Gates will open at 7:30a.m. each morning.

Saturday

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| 7:45-8:15 a.m. | Check-in and measure in |
| 8:15 a.m. | Judge's Briefing |
| 8:30 a.m. | Judging Begins |

Sunday

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|----------------|-------------------------|
| 7:45-8:15 a.m. | Check-in and measure in |
| 8:15 a.m. | Judge's Briefing |
| 8:30 a.m. | Judging Begins |

Order of Classes: **Saturday** – Gamblers, Standard, Snooker, Jumpers

Sunday- Jumpers, Snooker(Masters/P3 only), Gamblers, Standard

On Saturday, *Performance will run first 22/16/12/8, followed by Championship 12/16/22/26.

On Sunday, *Championship will run first 26/22/16/12, followed by Performance 8/12/16/22.

PRE-TRIAL MEASURING

NOTE: ALL DOGS MUST MEASURED BEFORE BEING CHECKED IN UNLESS they are in the highest jump height (26"Ch/22"P), a permanent card, printout of dog info page from the subscriber account or check-in letter issued by USDAA indicating the dog is permanently carded or a completed temporary card awaiting a CMJ is presented.

IF YOUR DOG IS NOT YET REGISTERED, you may obtain a registration number immediately and a measurement card prior to the show by registering online at www.usdaa.com. You may also use the form found in the test schedule and submit with your entry to this show.

Dog Agility is a spectator sport. Our test tends to draw a large spectator crowd. Please use the opportunity to be ambassadors for the sport.

ABOUT THE LOCAL BEACHES

Unfortunately, our beaches are not as dog friendly as they used to be. This is for information only. Competitors are responsible for being aware of any changes to the laws. The fines can be very expensive.

The Town of Sullivan's Island does not allow dogs on the beach without a local license. The cost of the license is \$35 and requires extensive paperwork.

Dogs are very welcome on Folly Beach! Just remember it's a law here to keep your dog on a leash at all times. Owners are required to remove waste from the beach. From May 1st through September 30th, dogs are not allowed on the beach between 10 am and 6 pm. This law is very sensible because during those months the beach is extremely crowded during the daytime and also it's unhealthy for dogs because of the excessive heat.

Effective March 1, 2010, all dogs on the Isle of Palms are required to have and wear a dog license and a dog collar issued by the City. The collar and license must be visible on the dog. Collars and licenses can be purchased at the Public Safety Building at 30 J.C. Long Boulevard from 8AM-5PM seven days per week. To obtain a license, dog owners must provide a copy of proof of rabies vaccination. The fee is \$10 for property owners and those who can show proof of residency. The fee is \$25 for non-residents and visitors. Dog owners who have already purchased a 2010 City of Isle of Palms dog license will be notified regarding this change. Please call 843-886-6522 for more information.

AGILITY OBSTACLES

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

CLASS DESCRIPTIONS

Levels, Divisions and Classes

Two certifications programs will be offered at this event – Championship and 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 regardless of day.

Championship Program Classes

Please see the USDAA Rules for details, Chapters 3-5, on the web @ http://www.usdaa.com/binary/files/rules_ebook_2004.pdf

Performance Program Classes

Please see the USDAA Rules for details, Chapter 7, on the web @ http://www.usdaa.com/binary/files/rules_ebook_2004.pdf

Non-Standard Classes – Gamblers, Jumpers, Snooker & Pairs

These non-standard classes are scored and judged pursuant to the provisions of Chapters 6 & 7 of USDAA Rules and Regulations.

Pairs is required for titling at all levels of Performance and follows the same rules outlined in the rule book for the Championship program; dogs must be in the same level and height division, mini or open. In the event only one dog is entered in a program/level, un-entered dogs or dogs from other programs or levels may not be recruited to form a qualifying pair.

DOG REGISTRATION APPLICATION

****GET YOUR REGISTRATION NUMBER IMMEDIATELY AND A MEASUREMENT CARD PRIOR TO THE SHOW ONLINE AT WWW.USDAA.COM, CLICK ON GENERAL INFORMATION, DOG REGISTRATION. ****

DOG REGISTRATION APPLICATION - \$20.00

JUNIOR HANDLER REGISTRATION APPLICATION - \$20.00

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.

Junior handlers (those 18 years of age and younger) and their dogs must be separately registered for participation in the USDAA's Junior Handler Program (UJHP). A registration number with a "J" prefix will be assigned for use in entering UJHP events. A dog competing in both programs (regular classes and UJHP) must be registered separately for each program, for which the total fee is \$40.00

You must complete ALL information for a valid registration:

OWNER/HANDLER INFORMATION:

Primary

Owner: _____ Email _____

Co-Owner: _____ Handler: _____
(If different from primary owner)

Junior Handler: _____ DOB: _____ Telephone: (_____) _____
(Day telephone, if possible)

Address: _____

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

Formal Name: _____ Call Name: _____
(Name to appear on certificates; please print clearly or type)

Breed: _____ Birthdate: _____ Height @ Withers: _____
(Specify breed or state "All American to denote mix-breed) (Estimate if unknown) (To nearest 1/4")

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 www.usdaa.com.

OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM LOW COUNTRY DOG AGILITY

April 17th and 18th 2010

Return completed form with entry fees payable to: LCDA c/o Kathy Price 232 Saint Awdry Street, Summerville, SC 29485

Entries close at 10 pm April 5th . Express mail entries must include signature permitting them to be left without recipient signature Move ups only by April 12. Email inquiries to sheltiecho@knology.net

PLEASE INCLUDE A COPY OF YOUR YELLOW PERMANENT HEIGHT CARD WITH ENTRY FORM.

OWNER/HANDLER INFORMATION:

Name: _____
 Handler if Other Than Owner: _____
 Mailing Address: _____
 City: _____ State/Zip: _____ Cell Phone (____) _____
 Telephone: (____) _____ Email: _____

DOG'S INFORMATION:

Name: _____ Sex _____ USDA #: _____
 Breed: _____ DOB: _____ Height at Withers: _____

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| Jump Height | Championship | 12" | 16" | 22" | 26" | Performance | 8" | 12" | 16" | 22" |
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SATURDAY

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| Standard | <input type="checkbox"/> Masters | <input type="checkbox"/> Advanced | <input type="checkbox"/> Starters | <input type="checkbox"/> Perf III | <input type="checkbox"/> Perf II | <input type="checkbox"/> Perf I |
| Gamblers | <input type="checkbox"/> Masters | <input type="checkbox"/> Advanced | <input type="checkbox"/> Starters | <input type="checkbox"/> Perf III | <input type="checkbox"/> Perf II | <input type="checkbox"/> Perf I |
| Jumpers | <input type="checkbox"/> Masters | <input type="checkbox"/> Advanced | <input type="checkbox"/> Starters | <input type="checkbox"/> Perf III | <input type="checkbox"/> Perf II | <input type="checkbox"/> Perf I |
| Snooker | <input type="checkbox"/> Masters | <input type="checkbox"/> Advanced | <input type="checkbox"/> Starters | <input type="checkbox"/> Perf III | <input type="checkbox"/> Perf II | <input type="checkbox"/> Perf I |

*One jump height per program per entry form.

SUNDAY

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| Standard | <input type="checkbox"/> Masters | <input type="checkbox"/> Advanced | <input type="checkbox"/> Starters | <input type="checkbox"/> Perf III | <input type="checkbox"/> Perf II | <input type="checkbox"/> Perf I |
| Gamblers | <input type="checkbox"/> Masters | <input type="checkbox"/> Advanced | <input type="checkbox"/> Starters | <input type="checkbox"/> Perf III | <input type="checkbox"/> Perf II | <input type="checkbox"/> Perf I |
| Jumpers | <input type="checkbox"/> Masters | <input type="checkbox"/> Advanced | <input type="checkbox"/> Starters | <input type="checkbox"/> Perf III | <input type="checkbox"/> Perf II | <input type="checkbox"/> Perf I |
| Snooker | <input type="checkbox"/> Masters | | | <input type="checkbox"/> Perf III | | |

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| FEES: | | | | | |
| Saturday | 1 Class | \$22 | Sunday | 1 Class | \$22 |
| | 2 Classes | \$34 | | 2 Classes | \$34 |
| | 3 Classes | \$44 | | 3 Classes | \$44 |
| | 4 Classes | \$54 | | 4 Classes | \$54 |
| | Saturday Total | \$ _____ | | Sunday Total | \$ _____ |
| | *USDAA Registration: | \$20 | | | \$ _____ |
| | *Complete USDAA Dog Registration Application and enclose with entry. | | | | |
| | TOTAL FEE ENCLOSED | \$ _____ | | | |

BE SURE TO SIGN AGREEMENT ON NEXT PAGE AND ATTACH TO ENTRY FORM !!!!

VOLUNTEER FORM

Everyone that enters this trial will be put on the volunteer list and will be eligible for the food that we will be serving.

Guests may purchase food for \$8

This is a one ring, one judge show, there will not be conflicts.

I WILL DO ANYTHING _____

PREFERRED JOB(S) _____

Please do not assign me to _____

BE SURE TO SIGN AND INCLUDE AGREEMENT FOR A VALID ENTRY

GENERAL AGREEMENT

I (we) agree that Low Country Dog Agility (LCDA) 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, Low Country Dog Agility (LCDA), 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 harmless from any claim for loss of this dog by disappearance, theft, death or otherwise, and from any claim for damage or injury to the dog, whether such loss, disappearance, 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 harmless 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 there from, 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, howsoever 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 employees or agents or any other persons.

I further acknowledge that I have read, understand and will abide by the Official Rules and Regulations of the United States Dog Agility Association, Inc. and the provisions for entry as set forth in the Agility Test Schedule of which this entry form is a part. I acknowledge and represent that the information supplied by me herein is correct to the best of my knowledge; 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. Further, I represent that I am the owner of the dog listed hereon, or that I have full authority as agent for dog's owner and shall hold LCDA, USDAA, including their officers, directors, employees and agents and their sponsors harmless from any liability or claims made by dog's owner.

Further, I hereby grant to United States Dog Agility Association, Inc., its representatives, agents and assigns, all rights and permission to use or appropriate my and the 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. I hereby release USDAA, its representatives, agents and assigns from any claim or cause of action for invasion of the rights of privacy, right of personality or any similar right.

I understand that I must volunteer at this trial or my entry will not be valid.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Home telephone: _____

Parent's/legal guardian's signature, if handler under 18: _____