

East Midlands Dog Agility Club

Are proud to present the British Agility Association Grand Prix Finals over 3 days of the August Bank Holiday Weekend together with a number of fun supporting events that creates an unique agility experience.

Please read the whole schedule carefully!

There are some significant differences to what you may be used to!
Plus there are some changes from 2006

All perpetual trophies must be returned by 15th July 2007 so that they can be engraved for this years recipients.

Qualifying Shows for British Agility Association Finals 2007
All EMDAC shows plus all other British Agility Association sanctioned shows held since the August 2006 Finals up to the closing date of this show.

Points accumulated on Saturday & Sunday at this show count for the 2007 BAA Dog of the Year awards.

Points awarded on Monday at this show and other subsequent BAA shows will count for qualification for both the BAA Grand Prix Finals And Dog of Year Award's for 2008.

Please visit the BAA website at <http://www.baa.uk.net/> for further show information and comprehensive on line results service.

Due to popular demand EMDAC will be holding another Indoor Winter Series in 2007/08 (Dates & Venue to be confirmed)

Dates for 2008 EMDAC Grand Prix Series at Asfordby:

April 19 th /20 th	May 17 th /18 th
June 21 st /22 nd	July 17 th /18 th /19 th /20 th
GRAND PRIX FINALS August 23 rd /24 th /25 th	

Plus

There will be numerous other shows under BAA rules which will count towards BAA Awards and for qualification to the BAA Grand Prix Finals. Please check BAA website at <http://www.baa.uk.net/> for up to date announcements.



East Midlands Dog Agility Club
GRAND PRIX AGILITY 2007
(run to British Agility Association Rules)



Schedule for Show 5 in 2007 Grand Prix Agility Series
Present the

British Agility Association GRAND PRIX FINALS WEEKEND

to be held on



Sat 25th, Sun 26th & Mon 27th
August 2007



at

The food of champions

Asfordby Amateurs Sports Club,

The food of champions

Hoby Road, Asfordby, Melton Mowbray, Leicestershire. LE14 3TL

Judging Commences 8.30 a.m. daily (briefing at 8.15 a.m.)

Entry Fees: £2.00 per class.
Camping Fees: £6 per unit per night.
Closing Date for entries: 5th August 2007
(entries received by)

Show Managers: June Bass & Steve Retter
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Leicestershire
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British Agility Association Rules 2006/2007

Please note these shows will be run to BAA Rules for Agility Competitions 2006/2007. Copies of full show and competition rules are available on the BAA website or on request on the entry form (cost £1.00).

The Major differences are:

- 4 jump heights with option of veterans etc: to jump at lower jump height. Maximum permitted jump height is 24 ins.
- Dogs may retain their status for the entire show year (if the handler wishes)
- Level progression in Jumping and Agility are independent of results in the other discipline.
- Maximum height of A frame has been reduced.
- Up contacts of contact obstacles will not be marked.
- There will be no tyre obstacle in any class.
- In Introductory and Pawsability classes, refusals are not marked and handlers may carry a silent toy in the ring.

Any dog and handler is eligible to enter BAA shows (though there are some restrictions at the Finals Weekend). No membership fee or dog registration fee is required. This is automatically included free when you enter your first BAA show. Your dog will be allocated a BAA registration number which will be on your ring card, please make a note of this number and use this on all future show entries as it greatly assists in processing your entries, and ensures your points tallies are maintained correctly.

British Agility Association Grand Prix Agility “Dog of the Year”

The BAA records all results from all shows and compiles performance league tables in the categories of Introductory, Primary, Novice, Graduate and Masters. Perpetual trophies will be awarded at this show to the leading Agility Dog of the Year at each jump height in each ability category. All results from BAA shows in 2007 up to and including the Sunday classes at this show will be included in the league tables. Trophies will be presented on Monday at this show.

Pawsability & Veteran classes will not be included in the points tables or Grand Prix Finals, though there will be classes for these categories at the Finals weekend. No points will be awarded for Pairs, Team or Pay on the Day classes.

There is however a special jumping class at this show for Veteran dogs that have previously competed at an EMDAC/BAA show in 2007 in Veteran classes, for the “Veteran Dog of the Year” Perpetual Trophy.

BAA JUNIOR HANDLER LEAGUE 2007

A trophy will be awarded at this show for the

"Junior Handler of the Year"

To the leading Junior Handler in age groups Under 12's & 12 to 16's.

The leading 3 handlers in each age group from the league tables will qualify automatically for the Junior Handlers Grand Prix Final. A total of 5 handlers in each age group will run in the Final, the balance being taken from the highest placings from the qualifying class on Sunday of this show.

The BAA will continue to support the Alternative Handlers League at all BAA Shows in 2007 Plus an Alternative Handlers Jumping Final Class at the August Finals

Also

For 2007 the BAA will be running a Male & Female Over 60's League.

Over 60's Male

For Male handlers of 60 years & over

Over 60's Female

For Female handlers of 60 years & over

Please register for these categories Tel: June on 01664 500327 Or inform us at shows
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EMDAC Clever-Dogs

Clever-Dogs Training & Qualifiers will take place on the Saturday and Sunday of this show with the Finals on Monday P.M.

Also on Monday P.M the G.B. Disc Busters Finals



So what does a Meat Pie factory have to do with Disc Dogs...?

In the early 1900's, college students in America would amuse themselves by throwing empty pie dishes from the Frisbee Meat Pie factory to each other – and a new sport was started. In 1974, a student from Ohio, Alex Stein, smuggled his dog, Ashley Whippet (actually a small greyhound) into a baseball game at Dodger Stadium in L.A., and at halftime 'invaded' the field and treated the 50,000 strong audience to 8 minutes of Frisbee throwing, with Ashley Whippet leaping high in the air, and reaching speeds of 35 mph, before being removed. But it was enough – the Disc Dog world of competition was born.

Around Europe, Canada and the States, Disc Dog competitions are a major part of dog sports, up there with Agility and Flyball, with regional, national and international events. In the last few years the sport has started up in China and Russia. Events include 'Toss'n'Fetch', where competitors have a set time to achieve as many throws/retrieves as possible, further throws accumulating more points; 'Distance' and 'Freestyle' where spins vaults and different throws are worked into a routine set to music.

As an introduction to this exciting sport, G.B. Disc Busters will be holding Pay on the Day Training & qualifiers Toss'n'Fetch and Distance events at EMDAC this year (weather permitting).

With the Finals at the August BAA Finals Show.

No experience necessary, but if your dog enjoys a game of Frisbee, or catching a toy, come and see if there's a Disc Dog in your dog!

BAA Grand Prix Tournament Finals 2007

There are separate Jumping And Agility Finals for each ability level.

The leading dogs in each category for Jumping and Agility will qualify by right to their respective Final. Qualification is taken from the BAA League tables as they stand at the closing date for this show, 5th August. Standings can be viewed on line at <http://www.baa.uk.net/>. Tables will highlight dogs that occupy qualifying positions for the Finals.

The Top 10 Introductory and Primary, top 8 Novice and top 5 Graduate Plus dogs in each discipline (Agility & Jumping) will qualify automatically for their respective BAA Final at this show. There are also Finals for Veteran dogs, Junior Handlers & Alternative Handlers. If so qualified, to secure your place in the Final you must enter your dog at this show. – If you do not enter the show you will forfeit your place in the Final. Reserves will be taken in order from the league tables to make up the number of qualifiers seeded direct to each Final. All automatic qualifiers including these reserves will receive confirmation of their Finals place on their ring cards.

All other dogs that have competed at an EMDAC/BAA show during 2006/7 show season will have an opportunity at this show to qualify for both their respective Agility and Jumping Grand Prix Finals. The highest placed dogs not already qualified for the Final, will be taken from these qualifying classes and go forward to the Finals, to make up the numbers of 20 Introductory 20 Primary, 15 Novice, 10 Graduate Plus & 10 Veteran dogs that will run in each Final. The Junior Handlers final will be a total of 10 handlers 5 at each age group. For the Junior Handler Final, handlers will be permitted to run one dog only, and no dog may run with more than one handler. Reserves will be taken from these qualifying classes at this show to make up numbers for any absentees. The top 10 from the Alternative handlers league that enter this show will qualify for the Alternative Handlers Jumping Final.

ALL FINALISTS WILL BE REQUIRED TO CONFIRM THEIR INTENTION TO RUN AT THE SHOW IN ORDER THAT RESERVES CAN BE CALLED IN GOOD TIME. Please listen for announcements on the day.

Help!! Essential reading!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Organising these series of shows is huge undertaking, we have a small dedicated team that does most of the setting up and dismantling of the shows afterwards. Any help you can give with this is most welcome.

However for the duration of the show it is essential that we have your assistance. A condition of entering a show brings a requirement that all competitors give some time, to assist at a ring. All competitors will be allocated a time slot when they will be required to make themselves available at a ring. This will be marked on your ring cards. Each ring will have a Ring Manager who will be responsible for allocating tasks and arranging relief so that all can enjoy their dogs. If everyone does their bit, then no one should need to work more than an hour or so! The co-operation we got last year was fantastic, and made running these shows a real pleasure.

We know some like to do more and we very much appreciate that, whether they be non-competing partners or one of our regular ring managers, scrimers, or callers, we want to spread the load so that we are not imposing on the same stalwarts all the time. We would very much like to hear from anyone who would manage a ring for us, there is a nice benefits package available for those that do, though we do expect them to work more than an hour!

A word also for our Judges, who are always marvellous, and always seem to be smiling after a long day, we need more of you, so once again we are not imposing on the same people over and over again. We would love to hear from anyone you would consider judging at one of our shows this year. Those new to judging are also welcome to volunteer. Again judges perks are second to none, well worth the effort!

**The BAA are again receiving sponsorship from Alpha Feeds in 2007
Alpha Feeds will be providing prizes of dog food at all EMDAC
summer shows in 2007.**



The food of champions

Schedule of Classes Show 5

Saturday 25th August 2007 Agility & Veteran Finals Day

1. *Introductory Agility (BAA Grand Prix Final Qualifier)
2. Introductory Jumping
3. *Primary Agility (BAA Grand Prix Final Qualifier)
4. Primary Jumping
5. *Novice Agility (BAA Grand Prix Final Qualifier)
6. Novice Jumping
7. *Graduate Plus Agility (BAA Grand Prix Final Qualifier)
8. Graduate Plus Jumping
9. Pawsability Agility
10. Pawsability Jumping
11. Veteran Agility
12. *Veteran Jumping (“BAA Veteran Agility Dog of the Year” Qualifier)
13. Junior Handler Jumping

Followed by
Commencing at approx. 2.30 pm

The British Agility Association
GRAND PRIX AGILITY FINALS
For Introductory, Primary, Novice , Graduate Plus
& a Veteran jumping course for the
“BAA Veteran Agility Dog of the Year” Trophy

*Entry to classes 1, 2, 3, 5 and 7 is restricted to dogs that have previously competed at an EMDAC/BAA show in 2006/7. Class 12 is also restricted to dogs that have also previously competed as veteran in 2006/7.

Maximum number of dogs in each Final will be 20 in Introductory & Primary, 15 for Novice, 10 for Graduate Plus and 10 Veterans. Qualification will be by results of the respective qualifying classes, reserves also taken from these results in absence of dogs qualified from BAA league table.

Clever-Dogs Training & Qualifiers Today until 2pm

Sunday 26th August 2007 Jumping & Junior Finals Day

14. Introductory Agility
15. *Introductory Jumping (BAA Grand Prix Final Qualifier)
16. Primary Agility
17. *Primary Jumping (BAA Grand Prix Final Qualifier)
18. Novice Agility
19. *Novice Jumping (BAA Grand Prix Final Qualifier)
20. Graduate Plus Agility
21. *Graduate Plus Jumping (BAA Grand Prix Final Qualifier)
22. Pawsability Agility
23. Pawsability Jumping
24. Veteran Agility
25. Veteran Jumping
26. *Junior Handler Jumping (BAA Grand Prix Final Qualifier)

Followed by
Commencing at approx. 2.30 pm

The British Agility Association
GRAND PRIX JUMPING FINALS
For Introductory, Primary, Novice , Graduate Plus,
Junior & The Alternative Handlers

*Entry to classes 15, 17, 19 and 21 is restricted to dogs that have previously competed at an EMDAC/BAA show in 2006/7. In case of class 26 the Handler must also have previously competed in a Junior handler class in 2006/7.

Maximum number of dogs in each Final will be 20 in Introductory & Primary, 15 for Novice, 10 for Graduate Plus and 10 Junior handlers (5 at each age category), and 10 from the Alternative Handlers league. Qualification will be by results of the respective qualifying classes, reserves also taken from these results in absence of dogs qualified from the BAA league tables.

Clever-Dogs Training & Qualifiers Today until 2pm

Monday 27th August 2007
Monday Funday

26. **Introductory Snakes & Ladders**
27. ***Introductory Agility Lucky Dip Pairs**
28. **Primary Snakes & Ladders**
29. **Novice Plus Snakes & Ladders**
30. **Pawsability Snakes & Ladders**
31. **Veteran Snakes & Ladders**
32. **Open Time Gamblers Jumping**
33. ***Open Lucky Dip Agility Pairs**
34. **Open Lucky Dip Team Jumping** (for teams of 3 dogs & 3 handlers)
35. **Junior Handler Jumping**

To be followed by trophy presentations for BAA Dogs of Year.

*Dogs may be entered in either class 27 or 33 but not both.

Pairs / teams will comprise dogs that are entered at same jump height throughout show.



Plus on Saturday & Sunday

GB Disc Busters Pay on the Day Frisbee Competition

Toss & Fetch and Distance Events

With Grand Finals being held on Monday

Clever-Dogs Finals Today p.m.

For the top 8 in each:

Starters

Mini

Open

Multimix

CLASS DEFINITIONS

A dog may be entered in ONE height category only, Micro, Mini, Medium or Maxi

Please specify jump height category on the entry form.

Agility classes have contact equipment, Jumping classes do not.
Power & Speed are Agility classes. Helter Skelter, Clockwork Tunnels are Jumping classes. Snakes & ladders is a jumping class with optional contact obstacles.

<u>Micro</u>	For dogs that measure under 11in at the withers. Jump height will be 9in.
<u>Mini</u>	For dogs that measure under 15in at the withers. Jump height will be 13.75in.
<u>Medium</u>	For dogs that measure over 14in but less than 18in at the withers. Jump height 17.75in.
<u>Maxi</u>	For dogs that measure over 17in at the withers. Jump height will be 24in.

LEVEL CLASSIFICATION

Initially a dog may be entered in *ONE* level only, and must be specified in the appropriate box for each dog on the entry form. Levels are:-
Introductory, Primary, Novice, Graduate, Masters, Pawsability & Veteran. Within BAA, progression in jumping and agility disciplines are treated independently. Where dogs are classified with different levels, handlers may choose to enter the higher level in both jumping and agility, but if that option is taken, may not revert back to lower level at future shows.

If you enter at a jump height less than in the size definitions above, you must enter as either Pawsability or Veteran.

ON THE ENTRY FORM YOU MUST SPECIFY YOUR DOGS BAA REGISTRATION NUMBER – this ensures that your dog is entered at its correct level and it also ensures that your points tally is maintained correctly throughout the year.

For dogs new to BAA please enter level as follows:

All dogs AND handlers new to agility should enter as **INTRODUCTORY**

Dogs/handlers that compete under other organisations are required to make initial entry to BAA shows at the appropriate level as follows:

KC Grade 1 or equivalent enter as **INTRODUCTORY**

KC Grade 2 or equivalent enter as **PRIMARY**

KC Grade 3 or equivalent enter as **PRIMARY** or **NOVICE**

KC Grade 4 or equivalent enter as **NOVICE**

KC Grade 5 or equivalent enter as **NOVICE** or **GRADUATE**

KC Grade 6 or equivalent enter as **GRADUATE**

KC Grade 7 or equivalent enter as **MASTERS**

For dogs new to agility initial entry is at INTRODUCTORY level except for dogs whose handlers have competed at BAA Novice or above (KC Grade 3 or above), initial entry for these dogs is at PRIMARY level.

Once a dog has entered a BAA show, progression within BAA is solely dependent on performance at BAA shows, results under other organisations are not taken into account.

For dogs not jumping their regulation jump height they can be entered in either:

Pawsability: for dogs of any age that for whatever reason are not able to jump at their designated jump height as specified in height definitions. Choice of jump height 9, 13.75 or 17.75ins. No dog in this class will be permitted to jump over 17.75ins. This category is designed for young dogs just starting their agility careers and also for dogs that are returning to agility after a layoff from illness/injury. Dogs can enter this class at any time and when ready, return to their appropriate ability level & jump height. It also gives an opportunity for veteran dogs to enter at lower height before fully committing to veteran classes.

Or:

Veteran: for dogs of 7 years of age and over. Choice of jump height 9, 13.75 or 17.75ins. No veteran dog will be permitted to jump over 17.75ins. This class is for older dogs that still enjoy agility. These classes are meant to be fun for dogs and handler with a lower element of competitiveness intended. Once a dog enters BAA Veteran it will be expected to remain there for the remainder of its agility career.

Dependent on entry some levels may be combined for awards.

Status for all BAA shows for 2006/2007 season is that effective at 1st October 2006. Dogs may retain their status for the entire BAA show season (if the handler wishes). All you need to do is tick the appropriate box on entry form. BAA will keep a record of results during the year. At the end of year the top performing dogs will be promoted to next level, for the following year.

A relegation system also operates to allow dogs to move down the levels.

Awards

Quality place rosettes dependent on entry levels.. Trophies to 3rd, Clear round Rosettes in all classes where appropriate. Pawsability classes will not be awarded place rosettes, there will be special rosettes for all clear rounds.

Camping

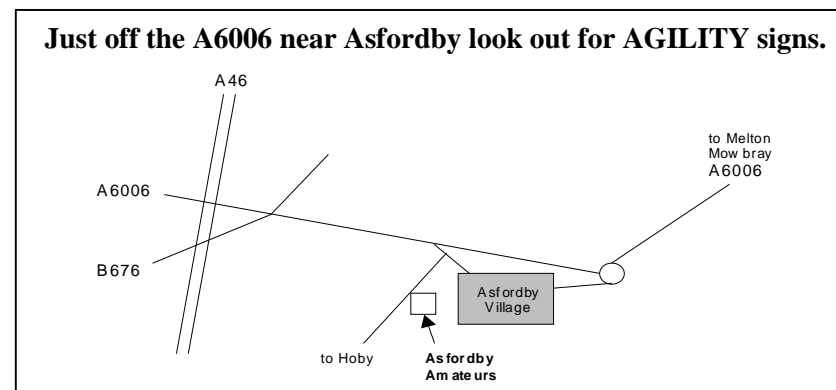
There are camping, toilets & shower facilities available at the venue. There will also be catering and a licensed bar on site which will be open on Friday evening & all day Saturday & Sunday. Entertainment on the Saturday evenings in the club.

Many thanks to our host venue, sponsors, suppliers, supporters, judges, ring managers, competitors and all EMDAC members, without whose assistance and co-operation none of these shows would take place.

EMDAC SHOW RULES

1. British Agility Association Rules for Agility Competitions 2006/2007 apply to these events. In the event of any ambiguities BAA rules take precedence. Copies can be ordered on entry form.
2. East Midlands Dog Agility Club reserves the right to refuse entries. In the event of over subscription entries may be limited.
3. Competitors enter at their own risk and must sign and date the declaration on the entry form.
4. In the unlikely event that any EMDAC event is cancelled, the organisers reserve the right to deduct unrecoverable expenses incurred before returning entry fees.
5. EMDAC reserves the right to combine/split classes depending on entry levels.
6. Competitors are required to report for allocated ring duties.
7. Please respect the venue and pick up after your dogs, and also dispose of all rubbish responsibly.
8. Competitors are solely responsible for ensuring that they are available for their classes.
9. Have fun with your dogs!

Directions to venue:



Hosting a BAA Show!

If you are interested in hosting a BAA show in your area please feel free to contact us. We will provide as much advice and assistance as required by the organiser.

For more information please contact June:
Email: June@baa.uk.net Tel. 01664 500327

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