

East Midlands Dog Agility Club

Are proud to present our first series of indoor Winter shows for 2006/2007 to complement our established Summer programme of events.

Please read the whole schedule carefully!

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

Further Dates for EMDAC Shows

April 21/22, 2007 at Asfordby

May 19/20, 2007 at Asfordby

June 23/24, 2007 at Asfordby

July 12 – 15, 2007 at Asfordby

August 25 – 27, 2007 BAA Grand Prix Finals at Asfordby

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

East Midlands Dog Agility Club **GRAND PRIX AGILITY** *Winter Series 2006/2007*

Schedule for 5 Indoor LIMITED Agility Shows
held to British Agility Association Rules

on

Saturday 14th October 2006 (Closing date 2nd October)
Saturday 9th December 2006 (Closing date 27th November)
Sunday 21st January 2007 (Closing date 8th January)
Sunday 18th February 2007 (Closing date 5th February)
Saturday 17th March 2007 (Closing date 5th March)

At

Brakenhurst Equestrian Centre, Nottingham Trent University,
Southwell, Notts. NG25 0OF

Entry Fees: £3.00 per class or £10 per dog per show (4 runs)
Please send separate cheque for each show entered.
Cheques will be banked at closing date of each show.

Closing Date for entries: As stated above or earlier if capacity filled.

These shows are Limited to 2 Competition Rings.
Early entries are advised to avoid disappointment.

Show Managers: June Bass & Steve Retter
Show Secretary: June Bass
Send Entries to: EMDAC
C/o 54 Ferneley Crescent
Melton Mowbray
Leicestershire
LE13 1RZ

(For running orders please enclose a separate A5 stamped address envelope
for each show entered).

Enquiries: June Bass Tel No.: 01664 500327

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Vet on Call: To be advised with running orders

BAA Grand Prix Agility "Dog of the Year" 2007

EMDAC Rules 2006/2007

Please note that all EMDAC shows will be run to BAA Rules for Agility Competitions 2006/2007. Copies of full show and competition rules available on request on 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.
- For 2006/07 Mini jump height is 13.75ins & Medium jump height is 17.75 ins.
- Dogs may retain their status for the entire show year
- Up contacts of contact obstacles will not be marked.
- There will be no tyre obstacle in any class.
- In Introductory & Pawsability classes, refusals are not marked and handlers may carry a silent toy in the ring.

Any dog and handler is eligible to enter EMDAC shows (though there are some restrictions at the August Bank Holiday Finals Weekend Show). No membership fee or dog registration fee is required. All dogs are automatically registered into the BAA database free of charge when you enter your first EMDAC 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 EMDAC and other BAA show entries as it greatly assists in processing your entries, and ensures your league points tallies are maintained correctly.

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 to the leading Agility Dog of the Year at each jump height in each category.

The leading dogs & handlers from the tables will also qualify for the BAA Grand Prix Tournament Finals at the EMDAC August Bank Holiday Weekend show. There will separate Finals for Jumping and Agility. At the Finals show there will be a last chance opportunity for all to qualify for the Grand Prix Finals. Perpetual trophies will also be awarded to the Finals winners.

Points are accumulated for performances from all EMDAC shows during 2006/2007 including the Winter Series which count towards qualification for the BAA Grand Prix Finals in 2007. There are also Trophies for the leading points scoring dogs that will be presented at the Grand Prix Finals weekend.

Pawsability & Veteran classes will not be included in the points tables or Grand Prix Finals, though there will be a special Veterans class at the Finals weekend. No points will be awarded for Pairs, Team, invitation, demonstration or non-scheduled Pay on the Day classes. Points will be awarded in all other scheduled classes unless specifically excluded in show schedule.

BAA JUNIOR HANDLER LEAGUE 2007

Following the success of the Junior Handler league in 2006, we will be scheduling Junior classes at our 2007 summer shows, which will culminate in the

"BAA Junior Handler of the Year Award"

Also we will schedule

A Junior Handler GRAND PRIX FINAL at our August FINALS Show

Separate Classes for Under 12's & 12 to 16's

Unfortunately due to restrictions in space and time we will be unable to offer Junior classes at our Winter indoor shows.

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

Organising these series of shows is huge undertaking, we will have run 18 days of competitive Agility in 2006 which thanks to our supporters makes EMDAC the biggest customer for many of our suppliers. We have a small dedicated team of volunteers that does most of the setting up and dismantling of the shows afterwards. Any help you can give with this is most welcome. However what is important is the help you can give whilst the show is running. It is in fact essential in order to continue to run shows as frequently as we do.

A condition of entering a show brings a requirement that all competitors give some time, to assist at a ring. It is one of the things you are agreeing to when you sign the entry form. 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 who 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!

Schedule of Classes

Saturday 14th October 2006

1. **Introductory Agility**
2. **Introductory Jumping**
3. **Introductory Power & Speed**
4. **Introductory Helter Skelter**
5. **Primary Agility**
6. **Primary Jumping**
7. **Primary Power & Speed**
8. **Primary Helter Skelter**
9. **Novice Plus Agility**
10. **Novice Plus Jumping**
11. **Novice Plus Power & Speed**
12. **Novice Plus Helter Skelter**
13. **Veteran Agility**
14. **Veteran Jumping**
15. **Veteran Helter Skelter**
16. **Veteran Speed (Jumping section only of a Power & Speed course!)**

Novice Plus classes are open to all dogs eligible for Novice level and above –
i.e. all Novice, Graduate & Masters dogs.

Agility classes have contact equipment, Jumping classes do not.

Power & Speed is an Agility class.

Helter Skelter is a Jumping class.

Schedule of Classes

Saturday 9th December 2006

1. **Introductory Agility**
2. **Introductory Jumping**
3. **Introductory Time, Fault & Out Agility**
4. **Primary Agility**
5. **Primary Jumping**
6. **Primary Time, Fault & Out Agility**
7. **Novice Plus Agility**
8. **Novice Plus Jumping**
9. **Novice Plus Time, Fault & Out Agility**
10. **Veteran Agility**
11. **Veteran Jumping**
12. **Veteran Time, Fault & Out Jumping**
13. **Open Jumping Lucky Dip Pairs**

**Novice Plus classes are open to all dogs eligible for Novice level and above –
i.e. all Novice, Graduate & Masters dogs.**

**Open classes are open to all including Veterans. Veteran dogs must jump at same
height in all classes.**

Introductory rules & marking do not apply in Open classes.

**Lucky Dip Pairs, please enter individually, partners will be made by random draw
and notified with running orders. Any incompatibilities, absent partners or other
problems will be sorted on the day.**

Agility classes have contact equipment, Jumping classes do not.

Schedule of Classes

Sunday 21st January 2007

1. **Introductory Agility**
2. **Introductory Jumping**
3. **Introductory Power & Speed**
4. **Introductory Take Your Own Line Jumping**
5. **Primary Agility**
6. **Primary Jumping**
7. **Primary Power & Speed**
8. **Primary Take Your Own Line Jumping**
9. **Novice Plus Agility**
10. **Novice Plus Jumping**
11. **Novice Plus Power & Speed**
12. **Novice Plus Take Your Own Line Jumping**
13. **Veteran Agility**
14. **Veteran Jumping**
15. **Veteran Speed (Jumping section only of a Power & Speed course!)**
16. **Veteran Take Your Own Line Jumping**

**Novice Plus classes are open to all dogs eligible for Novice level and above –
i.e all Novice, Graduate & Masters dogs.**

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Power & Speed is an Agility class.

Schedule of Classes

Sunday 18th February 2007

1. Introductory Agility
2. Introductory Jumping
3. Introductory Snakes & Ladders
4. Introductory Helter Skelter
5. Primary Agility
6. Primary Jumping
7. Primary Snakes & Ladders
8. Primary Helter Skelter
9. Novice Plus Agility
10. Novice Plus Jumping
11. Novice Plus Snakes & Ladders
12. Novice Plus Helter Skelter
13. Veteran Agility
14. Veteran Jumping
15. Veteran Snakes & Ladders
16. Veteran Helter Skelter

Novice Plus classes are open to all dogs eligible for Novice level and above –
i.e all Novice, Graduate & Masters dogs.

Agility classes have contact equipment, Jumping classes do not.

Snakes & Ladders is an Agility class.

Helter Skelter is a Jumping class.

Schedule of Classes

Saturday 17th March 2007

1. Introductory Agility
2. Introductory Jumping
3. Introductory Agility (*A Frame only*) **Lucky Dip Pairs** (Dogs are permitted to enter either class 3 or 11 NOT both)
4. Primary Agility
5. Primary Jumping
6. Novice Plus Agility
7. Novice Plus Jumping
8. Veteran Agility
9. Veteran Jumping
10. Open Time Gamblers Jumping
11. Open Agility (*A Frame only*) **Lucky Dip Pairs** (Dogs are permitted to enter either class 3 or 11 NOT both)

Time Gamblers. This will be run slightly differently than in the past. Time Gamblers is a Jumping course in which handlers set their own optimum Course Time. The objective is to achieve a clear round in a time which is near as possible to the handlers nominated time. The gamble is that any dog completing the course faster than the nominated time is eliminated. (League points will not be awarded for this class).

Lucky Dip Pairs, please enter individually, partners will be made by random draw and notified with running orders. Any incompatibilities, absent partners or other problems will be sorted on the day.

Novice Plus classes are open to all dogs eligible for Novice level and above –
i.e all Novice, Graduate & Masters dogs.

Open classes are open to all including Veterans. Veteran dogs must jump at same height in all classes.

Introductory rules & marking do not apply in Open classes.

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CLASS DEFINITIONS

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

Please check definitions below – you may find your dog is eligible at a different height category than you compete elsewhere. You may also have a choice of height category.

Please specify jump height category on the entry form.

Micro

For dogs that measure under 11in at the withers. Jump height will be 9in.

Mini

For dogs that measure under 15in at the withers. Jump height will be 13.75in.

Medium

For dogs that measure over 14in but less than 18in at the withers. Jump height 17.75in.

Maxi

For dogs that measure over 17in at the withers. Jump height will be 24in.

Level Classification 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.

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

(* Pawsability classes are not offered at these Winter shows. they will be back for the Summer series)

These ability levels Introductory, Primary, Novice, Graduate & Masters equate to KC levels of Elementary, Starters, Novice, Senior & Advanced.

ON THE ENTRY FORM YOU MUST SPECIFY YOUR DOGS BAA/EMDAC 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 EMDAC/BAA please enter level as follows:

All dogs AND handlers new to agility should enter as **INTRODUCTORY**.
Handlers with new dogs that have never competed at Novice or above should enter their new dogs as **INTRODUCTORY**.

For handlers that have competed at Novice or above, their new dogs should enter as **PRIMARY**.

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

Elementary (KC) or equivalent as **INTRODUCTORY**
Starters (KC) or equivalent as **PRIMARY**
Novice (KC) or equivalent as **NOVICE**
Senior (KC) or equivalent as **GRADUATE**
Advanced (KC) or equivalent as **MASTERS**

Dogs which currently compete in Novice (KC) by virtue of handlers wins with another dog may enter at one level below – **PRIMARY**.

From 1/1/2007 initial entry levels are:

KC Grade 1 = **INTRODUCTORY**
KC Grade 2 = **PRIMARY**
KC Grade 3* = **PRIMARY** or **NOVICE**
KC Grade 4 = **NOVICE**
KC Grade 5* = **NOVICE** or **GRADUATE**
KC Grade 6 = **GRADUATE**
KC Grade 7 = **MASTERS**

Grades 3 & 5 have a choice of entry level.

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

Pawsability* (see note on previous page) - 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 opportunity for veteran dogs to enter at lower height before fully committing to veteran classes.

Or alternatively:

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. Once a dog enters BAA Veteran it will be expected to remain there for the remainder of its agility career and will not be permitted in future shows at either Intorductory, Primary, Novice, Graduate or Masters.

Status for all EMDAC shows in 2006/2007 is that effective at 1st October 2006 or initial entry level if entering first BAA show after that date. Dogs may retain their status for the entire BAA show season (1st October to September 30th), if the handler wishes. BAA will keep a record of results during the season. At the end of season the top performing dogs will be promoted to next level, for the following season.

An 'On Application' relegation system also operates to allow dogs to move down the levels. For full details of progression system please refer to 'BAA Rules for Agility Competitions 2006/2007' & the BAA website.

Awards

Quality place rosettes dependent on entry levels. Trophies to 3rd, Clear round Rosettes in all classes where appropriate. Pawsability classes-special rosettes for all clear rounds.

Dependent on entry some levels may be combined for awards.

Camping

There are no camping facilities available at this venue.

EMDAC SHOW RULES

1. British Agility Association Rules for Agility Competitions 2006/2007 apply to these events. 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. All participating dogs must be aged 18 months or over.
5. In the unlikely event that any EMDAC event is cancelled, the organisers reserve the right to deduct unrecoverable expenses incurred before returning entry fees.
6. EMDAC reserves the right to combine/split classes depending on entry levels.
7. Competitors are required to report for allocated ring duties.
8. Please respect the venue and pick up after your dogs, and also dispose of all rubbish responsibly.
9. Competitors are solely responsible for ensuring that they are available for their classes. (please note we have a deadline in which to vacate the venue, running orders may be enforced more strictly than we normally do!)
10. Have fun with your dogs!

About the venue

The venue is a riding school arena, part of a working equestrian centre within the grounds of Brakenhurst Agricultural College of Nottingham Trent University.

Please respect the venue to ensure we can use it again! All owners must pick up after their dogs – no exceptions!

Parking is limited, please park vehicles as directed, other parking areas are reserved for other users. Do not park on any grassed areas, verges or roads, you may be clamped!

Off leash exercising of dogs under control is permitted only in the designated area. In all other areas dogs must be strictly on leash at all times. Horses and other livestock will be in the close vicinity, please observe all notices and restrictions that may be in force.

We are planning to have a burger van type caterer at the venue. Confirmation will be mailed with ring cards.

(Note: we have spent many weeks seeking out a suitable indoor venue, this venue has beautiful clean fine sand with no nasty rubber bits, excellent facilities and good parking close to the arena but is considerably more expensive than other less suitable venues hence the slightly higher entry fees)

Directions to venue:

The Nottingham Trent University, Brakenhurst Equestrian Centre is located off the A612 between Lowdham and Southwell. On turning into the Campus follow the 'Equestrian' signs. Please park as directed by stewards.