

Awards

Quality Rosettes & Trophies dependent on entry levels. 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

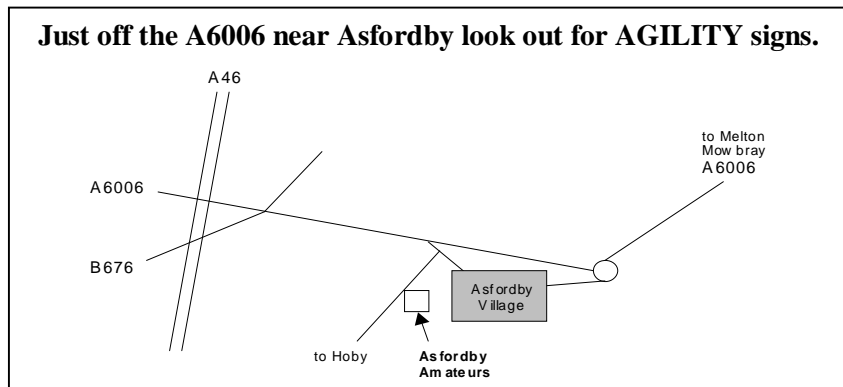
There are camping, toilets & shower facilities available at the venue. There will also be catering and a licensed bar on site which will be open on Thurs evening & all day Friday Saturday & Sunday. Entertainment on the Friday & Saturday evenings in the club.

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.

SHOW RULES

1. Training is not permitted on the course either before or whilst under test
2. Competitors are required to report for allocated ring duties.
3. The show organiser reserves the right to refuse entries.
4. In the event of over subscription entries may be limited.
5. Competitors enter at their own risk and must sign and date the declaration on the entry form.
6. All participating dogs must be aged 18 months or over.
7. In the unlikely event that any BAA event is cancelled, the organisers reserve the right to deduct unrecoverable expenses incurred before returning entry fees.
8. The show organiser reserves the right to combine/split classes depending on entry levels.
9. Please respect the venue and pick up after your dogs (anyone found not picking up after their dog will be excluded from future BAA shows), and also dispose of all rubbish responsibly.
10. Competitors are solely responsible for ensuring that they are available for their classes.
11. Have fun with your pet dogs!

Directions to venue:



East Midlands Dog Agility Club

*Presents
the*

British Agility Association GRAND PRIX FINALS WEEKEND

(Run to British Agility Association Rules)

To be held on

Sat 29th Sun 30th & Mon 31st
August 2009

at

Asfordby Amateurs Sports Club,
Hoby Road, Asfordby, Melton Mowbray, Leicestershire. LE14 3TL

Judging Commences 8.30 a.m. daily

Closing Date 4th August or Earlier if over subscribed

Send Entries to:

EMDAC

**C/o 54 Ferneley Crescent
Melton Mowbray
Leicestershire
LE13 1RZ**

Enquiries:

**June Bass Tel No.: 01664 500327
Email: June@baa.uk.net**

**Entry Fees:
Camping**

**£2.50 per class
£7.50 per unit per night**

Vet on Call:

**Bray House Veterinary Practice
36 Asfordby Road
Melton Mowbray
Leicestershire**

Tel No. 01664 562054

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 a 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 2008

All perpetual trophies must be engraved & returned by 19th July 2009.

Qualifying Shows for British Agility Association Finals 2009

All EMDAC shows plus all other British Agility Association sanctioned shows held since the August 2008 Finals up to the closing date of this show.

Points accumulated on Saturday at this show count for the 2009 BAA Dog of the Year awards.

Points awarded at any BAA shows after the Finals show will count for qualification for both the BAA Grand Prix Finals and Dog of Year Award's for 2010.

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 2009/10

Dates of future BAA shows

Beachside Winter Series 2009/2010	EMDAC Winter Series 2009/2010
17 Oct 2009, 5 Dec 2009, 27 Feb 2010, 27 March 2010	24 Oct 2009, 9 Jan 2010, 13 March 2010
	EMDAC Summer Series 2010
	April 24/25, May 22/23, June 26/27, July 15/16/17/18
2010 GRAND PRIX FINALS Aug 29/30/31	

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 www.baa.uk.net for up to date announcements.

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 higher than 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 to 10 & over 10 years of age. Choice of jump height 9, 13.75 or 17.75ins. No veteran dog will be permitted to jump higher than 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 2008/2009 season is that effective at 1st October 2008. 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 all results. At the end of the season, the top performing dogs will be promoted to the next level, for the following season.

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

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***
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& Veteran 7 to 10 years & Veteran over 10's (Please specify dogs age on entry form)

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 12in 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 19in 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 7 to 10 years & Veteran over 10's (Please specify dogs age on entry form)**
(Where Pawsability classes are not offered, Pawsability dogs may enter Introductory NFC (Not For Competition))*

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.

Online Running Orders

The BAA now offer all their competitors the option to download Running Orders, Ring Plans and Show Information for all BAA Shows. Please note that the online running orders **ARE NOT SENT BY E-MAIL** and are only available via download from the BAA website. The BAA will only publish running orders for competitors who request it. For those wishing to take advantage of our Online Running Orders service, please tick the box on the entry form & do not send an SAE. Running orders will be available approximately 2 weeks before each show.

British Agility Association Rules

Please note these shows will be run to BAA Rules for Agility Competitions (Oct 2008) 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 level. All results from BAA shows in 2008/9 up to and including the Saturday classes at this show will be included in the league tables. Trophies will be presented on Monday at this show.

Pawsability classes will not be included in the Points tables or Grand Prix Finals. No points will be awarded for Pairs, Team or Pay on the Day classes.

BAA JUNIOR HANDLER, GUNDOG, RESCUE, ALTERNATIVE HANDLERS & OVER 60'S MALE & FEMALE LEAGUES.

Points for all of the above leagues will count up to & including Sat 29th August 2009

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.

Levels: Elementary & Advanced

Junior Handlers Finals

The leading 2 handlers in each Advanced Age group & the leading 10 handlers in each Elementary Age group, from the league tables, will qualify automatically for the Junior Handlers Grand Prix Finals. Handlers will be permitted to run one dog only, and no dog may run with more than one handler.

The BAA will continue to support the Alternative Handlers League in 2009. A trophy will be presented to the top Alternative Handler.

Also

A trophy will be presented to the top of each in the 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

GUNDOG League

RESCUE League

A Trophy will be presented to the top Rescue & Gundog

British Clever-Dogs

British Clever-Dogs Finals will take place at this show.

(See Schedule of Classes)

The British Trios Challenge 2009

This competition is unique to the British Agility Association. Comprising of Mini/Micro, Medium or Maxi Teams, each team consisting of an Introductory, a Primary & a Novice Plus dog.

Each dog collects points for their team from qualifying shows throughout the season. Teams whose members have entered this show & having collectively gained 50 points or more will compete in the team trios Finals competition.

Monday 31st August 2009

33. **Introductory Agility**
34. **Introductory Jumping**
35. **Primary Agility**
36. **Primary Jumping**
37. **Novice Plus Agility**
38. **Novice Plus Jumping**
39. **Veteran Agility**
40. **Veteran Jumping**
41. **Elementary Junior Handler Jumping**
42. **Advanced Junior Handler Jumping**

Followed by

Commencing at approx. 2.00 pm

***The British Agility Association
GRAND PRIX JUMPING FINALS
For Introductory, Primary, Novice, Graduate Plus, Veterans &
Juniors***

To be followed by BAA. Dog of Year & other Leagues Presentations

Sunday 30th August 2009

23. Introductory Agility
24. Introductory Jumping
25. Primary Agility
26. Primary Jumping
27. Novice Plus Agility
28. Novice Plus Jumping
29. Veteran Agility
30. Veteran Jumping
31. Elementary Junior Handler Jumping
32. Advanced Junior Handler Jumping

Followed by
Commencing at approx. 2.00 pm

The British Agility Association
GRAND PRIX AGILITY FINALS
For Introductory, Primary, Novice & Graduate Plus.
Also
THE BRITISH TRIO'S CHALLENGE

TODAY
The British Open Clever-Dogs
FINALS

BAA Grand Prix Tournament Finals 2009

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, 4th August 2009. Standings can be viewed on line at 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. Also the top 10 Veteran dogs in each age group.

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 2008/9 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** 7-10 & **10** over 10's Veteran dogs that will run in each Final. Reserves will be taken from these qualifying classes at this show to make up numbers for any absentees.

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 who would consider judging at one of our shows. Those new to judging are also welcome to volunteer. Again judges perks are second to none, well worth the effort!

Schedule of Classes Show 5

Saturday 29th August 2009

1. ***Introductory Agility (BAA Grand Prix Final Qualifier)**
 2. ***Introductory Jumping (BAA Grand Prix Final Qualifier)**
 3. **Introductory Steeplechase**
 4. **Introductory A Frame Activator**
 5. ***Primary Agility (BAA Grand Prix Final Qualifier)**
 6. ***Primary Jumping (BAA Grand Prix Final Qualifier)**
 7. **Primary Steeplechase**
 8. **Primary A Frame Activator**
 9. ***Novice Agility (BAA Grand Prix Final Qualifier)**
 10. ***Novice Jumping (BAA Grand Prix Final Qualifier)**
 11. **Novice Steeplechase**
 12. **Novice A Frame Activator**
 13. ***Graduate Plus Agility (BAA Grand Prix Final Qualifier)**
 14. ***Graduate Plus Jumping (BAA Grand Prix Final Qualifier)**
 15. **Graduate Plus Steeplechase**
 16. **Graduate A Frame Activator**
 17. **Pawsability Agility**
 18. **Pawsability Jumping**
 19. **Veteran Agility**
 20. ***Veteran Jumping (BAA Grand Prix Final Qualifier)**
 21. **Veteran Steeplechase**
 22. ***Junior Handler Jumping (BAA Grand Prix Final Qualifier)**
- P.O.T.D. Junior/Adult Pairs (one junior & one over 30's)**

TODAY
The British Starters & Multimix Clever-Dogs
FINALS

NB: * = Entry to these classes are restricted to dogs that have previously competed at a BAA show in 2008/9 season.