

# 2024 AAC NATIONAL AGILITY CHAMPIONSHIPS

Aug 15 - 18, 2024

Maxville Fairgrounds, Maxville, Ontario

# **COMPETITOR CATALOG**





#### INTRODUCTION

# **Message from the Nationals Chairperson**

On behalf of Wendy and myself/The Agility Connection, welcome to the 22<sup>nd</sup> edition of the Agility Association of Canada (AAC) National event.

For the trivia aficionados amongst us, here are a few interesting AAC National historical facts/statistics:

- The first AAC Nationals was held at Spruce Meadows, AB in 2001
- The tenth AAC Nationals was held at Spruce Meadows, AB in 2010
- COVID put a kybosh on the twentieth AAC Nationals being held at Spruce Meadows, AB in 2020
- Ontario will have hosted Nationals 8 times, i.e. 2002, 2007, 2009, 2011, 2018, 2019, 2023 & 2024
- British Columbia has hosted Nationals 5 times, i.e. 2003, 2006, 2012, 2015 & 2017
- Alberta has hosted Nationals 4 times, i.e. 2001, 2010, 2013 & 2022
- Quebec has hosted Nationals twice, 2004 & 2016
- New Brunswick has hosted Nationals twice, i.e. 2008 & 2014
- Saskatchewan has hosted Nationals once, i.e. 2005

It goes without saying, but I will say it anyway, that no agility event can take place without volunteers. In this instance, every volunteer during this year's National Rounds will not be running a dog and is therefore giving of their time so every competitor can focus on their own dog(s). In addition, we value our competitor/volunteers that are assisting before and after the National Rounds with set-up and tear down, etc. Please keep this in mind and say Thank Q to a volunteer at every opportunity you get. This will make them feel appreciated and I can guarantee you will feel better for saying it. Perhaps you might even want to offer them a cold beverage at the end of the day.

The bar opens at 1:00pm on Thursday, Friday & Saturday and 1:00pm until completion of Steeplechase (around 5:00pm) on Sunday. (Announcement strategically placed after "thank a volunteer"!)

Remember to breathe, be kind to one another and show your judges some love. While your judges will agree that they have the best seat in the house, there's not much sitting going on.

In closing, I have been charged with providing some words of wisdom in this introduction. The following words are just that, if not mine.

Run the course like each one is your last.

Make it a run that leaves you smiling, if not laughing aloud for the joy of the sport. Otherwise you will have missed the most important thing in agility, the love and companionship of a trusted loyal and loving canine partner.





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Special thanks to all our volunteers – we couldn't do this without you!





# **THE JUDGES**

# **Cindy Swiney**

Most of you that already know me know that I currently own and operate a small boarding kennel on 80 acres NW of Calgary, AB. It is also home to my collection of herding breeds and many of the foster dogs I look after for Alberta Herding Dog Rescue (a nationally registered Not-for-Profit). If I was not self-employed and living with a pack of dogs, as a geologist I would probably be working in the oil industry but dreaming of making a living fossil hunting or panning for gold or gems, instead.

For those who do not know me yet, I started in agility after graduating from the U of S in 1990 and inheriting my mom's young sheltie. Just going for walks around the block was boring and when I saw an ad in the Saskatoon paper for agility classes, it sounded infinitely more interesting. Misty (the sheltie, AAC #371) made it seem easy because she was very willing to do whatever I pointed to, even though she was jumping 18" and climbing a 6'3" A-frame at the time.

After teaching agility and organizing trials for many years, both in Saskatoon and Calgary, I became a judge at the AAC masters level in 2000 and I became a course approver in 2009. I was also judging CKC and USDAA but have since resigned only due to the limited number of assignments and time. I love course design and continue learning (& hopefully improving) through seminars and online courses so that I stay current with the newest trends, although I have yet to master the handling lingo.

I was also active on the DC committee (back when everything was done by snail mail teleconference) and I served 3 terms as the President of AAC, at the time when everything was going online. I have trained, trialed and titled multiple dogs in agility and have competed in, judged at or been on the organizing committee of many the Regional and/or National Championships since their inception in 2001. During my long involvement in this sport, there have been many, many changes over the years some for the better, some not so good and some still open for comment – but it is still a great venue

#### **Jonathan Luce**

2024 AAC National judge!!! It still hasn't really sunk in to be honest.

I have been involved in agility as a competitor since 2003 and a judge since 2015. I have had the opportunity to participate in Provincial, National and International competitions and now after more than 20 years (is that possible?!? Somebody needs to check my math..) I'm ecstatic to be able to add the new agility experience of being an AAC National judge!

I have to say that as excited as I am to judge this year's event, there were some tough emotions to digest. It is a true honor to be asked to be part of the judging team for the 2024 Nationals, but my competitive side has me wanting to take part of Canadas greatest agility event with my 10 year old Nova Scotia duck Toller 'just one more time'. There is no better feeling than taking to the line, shoulder to shoulder with the best of the best in healthy competition.

On the bright side, if I'm not going to compete in the Nationals, there is no better place to be than in the best seat in the house!

Getting to watch and judge all of Canadas greatest dogs will be an awesome experience which I take seriously, and I am truly looking forward to.

Believe in your team and your training and trust that the cream will rise to the top!

Good luck to all!!

# Pierre-Luc Cyr

Today, I would like to introduce myself in a different way than usual. I started agility in 1999, at 9 years old, with my mother's dog. 2 years later, I demanded a dog for my birthday to compete with my own dog. It's a family story, because my brother and my sister also participated with their own dog and my father followed us in all the competitions. In the beginning, I was passionate about training, I trained my dog every day. My goal was to have a Qualification. I had to wait until the third season before having this famous Qualification. Few years





to meet people of similar interests and foster long term friendships.

Not only have I had the pleasure of judging across Canada for local groups, I have had the honour of judging 13 regional and now 6 national championships. Two years ago, at the 2022 Nationals, I noted that life changes in the near future would mean that I would not be able to take these weekend getaways as often as I used to. Needless to say, I was VERY excited to receive the invitation to judge the 2024 AAC National Agility Championships and even more excited that my dog sitter gave me the go ahead. I can think of no better way to bounce into retirement than to judge AAC's premier event, meeting some new competitors and getting re-acquainted with the many competitors I have met on the course in the last 30+ years.

Good luck to all!

Cindy

#### **Susan Miller**

My name is Susan Miller, and I am thrilled to accept an invitation to judge this year's AAC Nationals in Maxville.

I started agility in the late 1980's at Swansea Dog Obedience Club and ran in my first AAC trial at Manotick at a K-9 Guide facility and I was hooked. Through the years I have stayed with my Duck Tollers. Such entertaining dogs with a great sense of mischief and humour. I went to one of the first judges' clinics in Ontario. Soon after became a Master judge. Agility can be all consuming, and for me it certainly was. My highlight was running Lily at AWC in Italy. I also had podium placements at Regionals and Nationals.

I am so looking forward to designing open fast courses, and to enjoy people crushing them. Good luck to you all. Remember you have the best partner running with you and celebrate each victory large or small.

later, this goal slowly evolved into being in Agility Team Canada and having my own canine center.

Currently, I have competed with 8 different dogs, competed in every Regional since 2007 with different podiums, competed in the majority of Nationals with different podiums and been selected 10 times to be part in Canadian team. I also opened my own canine center in 2013.

Now, my next dream is to win an international medal!

I'm here today, because I had the support of my parents, my coaches and everybody who have supported me since I was young.

You will understand why, it is important for me to encourage the next generation! Thank you to the parents, their supporters and the agility community for being there to support them. The next generation is the future of our sport!!

For juniors handlers who have goals with their dog or dreams of something, I encourage them to believe it. Despite the difficulties, everything is possible!

Good success to all juniors who will participate to the National! Have fun! I am honored to have been invited to judge National Juniors!!!

#### **Antoine Pelletier**

26 years ago, baby Antoine was born. Unconscious, lost, he lived among the dogs. His best friend was Sonic, a Belgian shepherd. It wasn't mutual. The only game they played was: Antoine running and the dog running behind to bite his butt. Some will say it wasn't a game. You be the judge.

When he was eight years old, Antoine dreamed of being an agility judge, like his grandmother whom he followed everywhere. Agility was his way of discovering, traveling and sharing time with her grandmother. These are very important moments of his childhood, which he cherishes and which he will not soon forget.

10 years later, Antoine jumps into adult life with a driving license, a car and this, while being an AAC judge.





# **Julie Sansregret**

I am happy and honored to come to the Judging rescue, give back to my sport, get the privilege of having the best seat, and witness your Agility Journey! What a great, exciting, yet freaking problem to have too many registrations for a National event!

I am the owner, manager, and director of GUIDES CANINS, a busy Dog Training, Sports and Wellness Complex. I am a dog lover, passionate about the relationship that humans discover, cultivate and maintain with these dogs! I made this passion my daily job and life more than 30 years ago!

I discovered Agility early in my Vet Tech and Dog Training career, learning to handle my first dog on a 6.3' Frame and over 30" jumps! I have been teaching agility since 1995 and judging since 2001. Since then, I have trained and competed with 6 Vizslas, earned 4 ATChC and 1 LifeTime Achievement Award and introduced several teams to this addictive sport!

Happy 2024 National! Apply the 4P rule of training: Practice, Patience, Perseverance and Pleasure! Run fast, be there for your partner and above all, have fun and enjoy every moment of this great Agility Celebration with your 2 and 4 legged friends!

With his few years of experience, he noticed a few little things that he would like to share. First of all, when the dog jumps his contact zone, but the handler wants to know if the judge saw him... The not-so-subtle sideways glance. The judges notice. The dog who is about to go out at the penultimate pole of the slalom and the famous "accidental" knee descent to put the dog back on the right path... Not our first rodeo. Finally, the final gamble line, ha-ha. The handlers who blithely cross the gamble line, notice their unforgivable infraction and withdraw their foot with the vigor of a snake attacking its prey, praying to all the gods that the judge is distracted by the enchanting song of a beautiful Shetland yapping and announcing himself the next victim. It's amazing.

Today this same Antoine wishes you all the luck in the world to achieve your goals, whether it's the podium or even putting on a Coors light box, believe in your dreams.

You are beautiful to see, I love you.

Honor is to your talent as Pinot noir is to dark chocolate.

Cheers!

#### Robin Robbs

My name is Robin Robbs, and I'm delighted to be one of your Steeplechase judges. My journey in agility began in 2000 when my sister encouraged me to join her in taking classes. My yellow Labrador loved it, while her Shih Tzu did not! Despite that, I continued my passion for agility. Over the past 24 years, I have owned and competed with five yellow Labradors. Currently, I'm competing with my 11-year-old and 3-year-old Labs. Three of my Labs have earned ATChCs, and two have achieved Lifetime titles. I've also had the honor of standing on the podium at both Regional and National Championships. I started judging in 2008 and have enjoyed every moment since.

Best of luck to everyone, and enjoy the experience!





# WHO'S JUDGING WHAT

**Pre-Qualifier Rounds** Susan Miller, Cindy Swiney, Jonathan

Luce

Junior Stakes Pierre-Luc Cyr

Biathlon Agility Jonathan Luce

Biathlon Jumping Susan Miller

Sanctioned Steeplechase Cindy Swiney, Robin Robbs

Steeplechase Finale Jonathan Luce

National Rounds Cindy Swiney, Susan Miller, Jonathan

Luce, Antoine Pelletier, Julie Sansregret











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#### Stella Luna Gelato Café

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There will be a licensed bar on site, situated on the patio of the Metcalfe centre. It will be open 1pm to 7pm each day except Sunday. Sunday will be 1pm to 5pm approximately. (closes after the end of Steeplechase, at the start of the Awards Ceremony).

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#### **PHOTOGRAPHERS**

# **Nancy Miller**

Nancy Miller is a Toronto veterinarian and photographer specializing in capturing dog sports and portraits. She enjoyed photographing last year's event, and welcomes the challenge of doing it once again in 2024.

You can find Nancy's work by visiting her website <a href="www.nancymillerdvm.com">www.nancymillerdvm.com</a> and following her on instagram: @nancymillerdvm

Photos taken at the AAC Nationals will be available within a few days of the event. You will find updates and the link to the proofs via this link: http://www.nancymillerdvm.com/aac-nationals-2024

Digital files can be purchased directly via the proofs gallery. Fully edited hi-res images will be delivered to your email in 7-10 business days or sooner, depending on Nancy's schedule.

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Photos from Nationals will be posted to her website within a few days of the event and will be sorted by individual dogs into galleries. You will find more information and updates via this link:

https://www.shelleyvictoria.com/events/proofs/aac-nationals-2024/

Digital file purchases include a high-resolution image edited in Shelley's style, with downloads available directly from her website.

Digital File Package Prices:

Single Image: \$20

5 for \$75 10 for \$150







# **CHARITY RAFFLE**

There will be an on-site raffle in aid of the Smiling Blue Skies Cancer Fund.

# https://www.smilingblueskies.com

Tickets will be available at the raffle tent all weekend. Draw will be made on Sunday at the end of Steeplechase.

Thanks to all that have donated prizes for the raffle.







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#### **Closest veterinary clinic**

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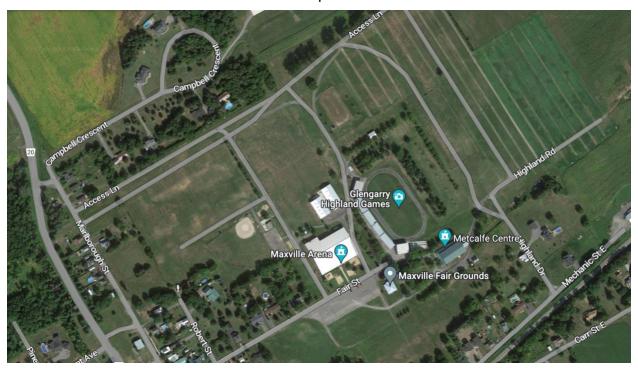




## THE SITE

Maxwell fairgrounds is situated at 35 Fair St, Maxville, ON K0C 1T0

**IMPORTANT**: Competitor entrance will be via Access Lane, off Marlborough Street. All other entrances will be closed. Do not attempt to enter via Fair Street.



Directions to the site:

#### From Montreal

Take exit 51 off the 417 and turn left onto CR-20. Approaching the village of Maxville, turn left at the giant Scotsman on to Marlborough Street. The first turnoff on the left is Access Lane.

#### From Ottawa (and Casselman)

Take exit 51 off the 417 and turn right onto CR-20. Approaching the village of Maxville, turn left at the giant Scotsman.

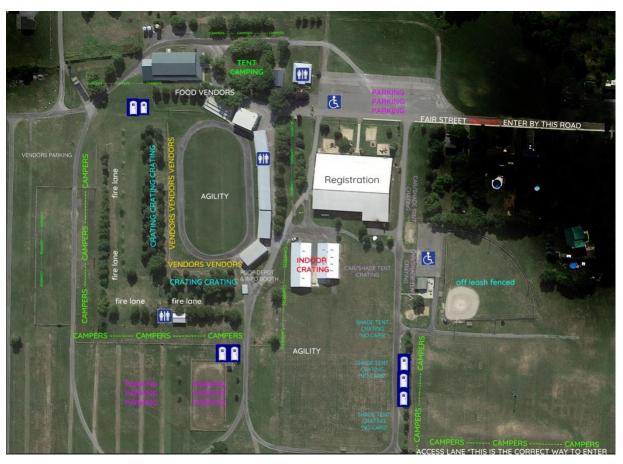
#### From Cornwall

You'll be approaching from the South. Off at the 401 exit 789, take ON-138N, At CR-43 turn right and then left at CR-20. Or 401 exit 792 and follow CR-20 North. Once in Maxville, turn right onto Mechanic Street, immediately left on Marlborough St and Access Lane will be further down on your right.





## **SITE LAYOUT**



**Accessibility:** Competitors displaying an accessible parking permit on their vehicle will be directed to the designated parking spaces at the venue.

**Shade Tents:** Tent spaces will not be allocated. You may drive closer to the tenting area to drop off but must immediately return to the parking area after drop-off. No tents will be allowed to be set up before 3pm on Wednesday.

You CAN NOT park your car next to your shade tent in the fairgrounds. If you want to crate/shade tent from your car, you may do this in the parking areas.

*Indoor crating:* Indoor crating is situated in the two small buildings. Spaces are limited and by reservation only. Priority will go to competitors flying in and are unable to bring shade tents. It is a dirt flooring, so use of a tarp under the crate is advised.

Please remember do NOT drive on the fields when you arrive.

You can drive into your camping spaces.

Please drive with caution. Keep it ULTRA slow if it's raining.

Do not drive on the mounds/hills.





#### RING ALLOCATION



Rings 1 & 4 - Standard Rings

Ring 2 - Jumpers Rings

Rings 3 & 5 - Gamblers Rings

## **IMPORTANT COMPETITOR INFORMATION**

- Dogs must remain on leash and under control at all times when not competing or warming up, except in specific off-leash areas at the trial site that will be marked.
- Dogs must be exercised in designated areas only.
- BIS may only be aired in the fenced sand ring next to the parking.
- You must pick up after your dogs on the show grounds and at your hotel.
   Anyone found not picking up will be excused from the trial site with no refund of entry.
- Competitors shall have the right to videotape portions of this event for their personal use only. No portion of this event may be taped for commercial purposes without the permission of AAC.
- Any handler who is found to abuse a dog, competitor, volunteer or official will be disqualified and asked to leave the trial site immediately.





# **AGILITY GATE**



We are simplifying the gate check-in procedure and reducing the number of steps you have to take in a day!

Or gatekeepers will be using an app called "Agility Gate". You will be able to check in and monitor your place in the lineup to go in the ring. No more crowding around gate sheets! If you don't want to use it, that's fine. Paper gate sheets will be up at the rings too for reference. We encourage everyone to download the App ahead of time and become familiar with its

use. It is free to download. Course maps will also be available through the app. You will be given a code in order to access them. They will be available bright and early every morning. No more scrambling to find the maps – you will have time for that extra sip of coffee before the day starts! Again, if you don't want to use it, that's fine. Paper maps will still be available for those that need them.

For Android go to the Google Play Store:

https://play.google.com/store/search?q=agility+gate&c=apps

For Apple go to the App Store

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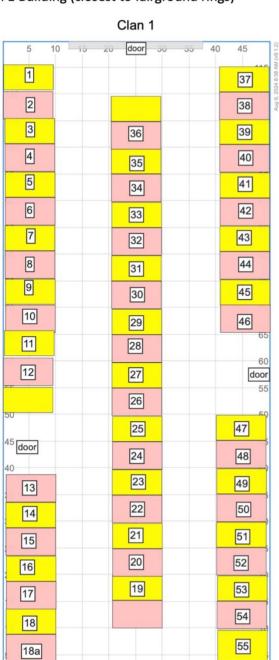






## **Indoor Crating**

## Clan 1 Building (closest to fairground rings)



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2,3	Kim O'Neill
4	Sandy Harris
5	Paul Wilson
6	Annie Monette
7	Ashleigh Gravelle
8	Charlotte Winder
9	Nicole Brown
10	Whitney Shaver
11,12	John MacKinley
13	Tara Labelle
14,15	Phyllis Myshrall
16,17	Jeremy Gerhard
18	Kiersten Lloyd
19	Marie-Noelle Cote
20	Carole Cote
21	Suzanne Labrie
22	Lynda Hollylee
23	Chelsea Gillmore
24	Cathy Lienert-Tikal
25	Nathalie Dupuis
26	Johanne Leclerc
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35	Anneli Hilton
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45	Kristina Aquin
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53	Julie Larocque

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#### **SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

(Please note times are approximate)

#### **TUESDAY 15 AUGUST**

#### 1pm - 6pm

- Equipment unloading
- Equipment checks and ring allocation.
- Volunteer campers arrive.



#### **WEDNESDAY 14 AUGUST**

#### 8am - 6pm

- Fencing setup
- Site volunteer briefings and task allocation
- Build for Thursday

#### 1pm – 9pm

- Competitor campers may arrive.
- Non-campers tent setup ONLY AFTER 3pm



#### **THURSDAY 15 AUGUST**

#### 7:00am - 6:00pm

Check-in / Registration

#### 7:00am - 7:30am

Measuring available for pre-qualifier competitors (at registration area)

#### PRE-QUALIFIER ROUNDS (Rings 1, 2 & 3)

#### 7:00am - 8:00am

Warmup ring open for pre-qualifier entrants only

#### 8:15am – 8:30am

Pre-Qualifier Rounds Judge's briefing and walkthrough

#### 8:45am - 1:00pm.

Pre-qualifier Rounds (see schedule and running order below)





#### WARMUP RING (Rings 5)

#### 8:00am - 5:00pm

Warmup rings open.

#### IFCS team tryout Ring 4

National Team Tryouts



#### **FRIDAY 16 AUGUST**

#### 6:30am - Noon

- Check-in / Registration
- Measuring

#### 7:00am - Noon

Warmup ring open (Ring 5)

#### Steeplechase & Biathlon (Rings 1,2 & 3)

#### 7:15am - 8:00am

- Steeplechase briefing and walkthrough
- Biathlon Agility briefing and walkthrough

#### 8:00am - 11:30pm

• Steeplechase and Biathlon run (see schedule below)

#### JUNIOR AGILITY STAKES (Rings 1 & 2)

#### 10:30am - 11:00am

Junior Handler Agility Stakes Judge's Briefing and walkthrough

#### 11:00am - 1:30pm

Junior Handler Agility Stakes (see schedule and running orders below)

#### 2:00pm - 3:00pm

- Opening ceremonies in the Fairground centre field (to follow completion of Junior Stakes)
- General Briefing and Official Announcements
- First Nationals class briefing Gamblers 1

#### 3:00pm - 3:30pm

Walkthrough – 4 rings, split into three walkthroughs in each ring.

#### 3:30pm - 8:00pm





Nationals Gamble 1 runs (see schedule below)



## **SATURDAY 17 AUGUST**

Nationals Rounds - Standard 1, Jumpers 1, Gamblers 2

6:30am - 7:00am

All rings open for general walkthrough

7:15am - 8:00am

- Official Announcements / General briefings
- Judge introductions and ring allocations
- Judge's briefings. One briefing at the beginning of the day for each event. No individual group briefings.
- Group rotation individual walkthroughs

#### 8:00am

Group rotation first dog on the line (see schedule below)



#### **SUNDAY 18 AUGUST**

Nationals Rounds – Standard 2, Jumpers 2

6:30am - 7:00am

All rings open for general walkthrough

7:15am - 8:00am

- Official Announcements / General briefings
- Judge introductions and ring allocations
- Judge's briefings. One briefing at the beginning of the day for each event. No individual group briefings.
- Group rotation first dog on the line (see schedule below)

4:00pm - 5:00pm (approx.)

Steeplechase Invitational (following completion of all Nationals Rounds)





## **AWARDS CEREMONIES**

5:30pm - 6:30pm

- Closing Ceremonies
- Awards Lifetime Awards of Merit; Nationals Aggregate Podium Placements; Top Junior in Nationals.



# **MONDAY 19 AUGUST**

Site tear down



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#### **WARM UP**

The Warmup ring will be available Thursday all day and Friday morning. There will be a pre-signup sheet for warmups in Ring 5.

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The warmup ring will be open early on Thursday from 7:00 to 8:00 for pre-qualifier competitors ONLY.

On Thursday it will be open from 8:00-5:00 in Ring 5

On Friday it will be open from 7:00-12:00 in Ring 5

Dog/Handler teams will have 60 seconds in the ring. The equipment may not be moved. Timeslots may be combined (e.g., redeeming two tickets will allow 2 minutes in the ring)

Pre-purchased warmup tickets will be available for pickup at registration. No refunds will be given for non-completion of warm up rounds. Individual tickets may be purchased on the day (\$6 cash only at the gate), only if there is room.

#### PLEASE NOTE:

Food and toys will be allowed during warm up runs under the following conditions:

- Toys should be in a good state of repair.
- Toys may not contain audible squeakers or other noise makers.
- Handlers are permitted to throw toys to the dog or tug with their dogs.
- Training aids (e.g., clickers, stride regulators, target plates) are not allowed.
- Food may not be thrown on the ground, or to the dog, it may only be fed from the hand or container.

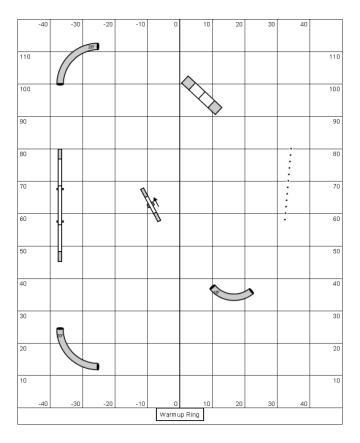




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#### JUNIOR STAKES

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This event showcases the talents of our Junior Handlers. The Junior Stakes takes place on Friday August 16. No qualification is needed, and handlers and dogs do not need to be entered in the National Championships.

The National Junior Agility Stakes will consist of one Agility (Standard) Class and one Jumpers Class. Scores will be calculated on a "time plus faults" basis, and the scores from each round will be combined to give the aggregate winners in each division.

There will be two Divisions:

- Novice (handler 12 and under) Judged under AAC Advanced Junior handler rules.
- Open (handler over 12 and under 19) Judged under AAC Masters Junior handler rules

The A-frame will be set at 5ft and there will be no spread jumps.

Winners in each age division and height or category will receive a rosette. For the purposes of prizes, the dogs will be divided into Mini, Midi and Maxi categories. Dogs jumping lower heights will still be categorized in their Regular height for prizes. (e.g., a dog with 20" circled on its ID card as its Regular jump height, is still a Maxi dog even if it is jumping 16" or 12" with the Junior Handler).

Awards and recognition of the Junior handlers will occur on Friday during the Opening Ceremonies. Please plan to be a part of this celebration. There will be special gifts for all juniors in addition to the winner's prizes - thanks to our generous sponsors!

There will also be recognition and aggregate awards presented on Sunday for the top 10 Junior Handlers competing in the regular National Championship rounds (18 years or younger on 31 December 2024)





## **JUNIOR STAKES**

RING	JUDGE	EVENT	DOGS		START	FINISH	
2	Pierre-Luc Cyr	Open Jumping	17		11:00	11:40	
2	Pierre-Luc Cyr	Novice Jumping	4		12:00	12:12	
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1	Pierre-Luc Cyr	Open Agility	17		12:35	13:15	

# **PRE-QUAL SCHEDULE**

RING	JUDGE	EVENT	DOGS	START	DURATION	FINISH			
1	Sue, Cindy, or Jonathan Standard 1		13	8:45		09:11			
2	Sue, Cindy, or Jonathan Jumpers 1		13	09:35		09:52			
3	Sue, Cindy, or Jonathan	Gamblers 1	13	10:20		10:46			
BREAK									
RING	JUDGE	DOGS	START	DURATION	FINISH				
1	Sue, Cindy, or Jonathan	Standard 2	13	11:30		11:54			
2	Sue, Cindy, or Jonathan	Jumpers 2	13	12:19		12:36			
3	Sue, Cindy, or Jonathan	Gamblers 2	13	13:03		13:29			

#### **STEEPLECHASE**

## Round 1: Friday August 16, 2024

The first round will be unlimited entry, AAC-sanctioned steeplechase event hosted by The Agility Connection. This are judged and scored according to AAC rules and is open to all dogs eligible to compete in AAC-sanctioned events. The dog does not have to be entered in the National event to enter.





#### Round 2: Sunday August 18, 2024

The second round "Steeplechase Finale" is by invitation only. The top 20% of dogs (min 2, max 10) for each height category from the steeplechase runs in round 1 will be invited to compete in the final on Sunday afternoon.

Prize money will be calculated using 50% of the Steeplechase entry fees and distributed as a percentage of entries in each height category.

Biathlon: Friday August 16, 2024

Biathlon is a money round! Winners of the combined Agility and Standard (time plus faults scoring) earn a cash prize!

RING	JUDGE	EVENT	DOGS	START	DURATION	FINISH
1	Jonathan Luce	Biathlon Agility	130	08:00		12:00
2	Susan Miller	Biathlon Jumping	123	08:00		10:30
3	Cindy Swiney	Steeplechase	160	08:00		12:30
4	Robin Robbs	Steeplechase	148	08:00		12:15







# **GROUP ROTATIONS**

(Note – see website for groups and running orders <a href="https://aacnationals.ca/entering/groups-and-running-orders/">https://aacnationals.ca/entering/groups-and-running-orders/</a>)

# **FRIDAY**

Ring	Class	Group
1	Gamblers 1	GA
3	Gamblers 1	GB
4	Gamblers 1 (s/v)	GD
5	Gamblers 1 (s/v)	GE

# **SATURDAY**

Ring	Class	Group					
		Rotation 1	Rotation 2	Rotation 3			
1	Standard 1	А	В	С			
2	Jumpers 1 (mix)	B + E	C + F	A + D			
3	Gamblers 2	С	Α	В			
4	Standard 1 (s/v)	D	E	F			
5	Gamblers 2 (s/v)	F	D	E			

# **SUNDAY**

Ring	Class	Group		
		Rotation 1	Rotation 2	
1	Standard 2 (s/v)	SC	SD	
2	Jumpers 2	SB	SA	
3	Standard 2	SA	SB	
4	Jumpers 2 (s/v)	SD	SC	





#### AAC National Agility Championship 2024 AAC Nationals 2024

# **Event Schedule**

August 15-18, 2024

Day	Ring	Round	Runs	Build/Walk	First Dog	End At		
Thursday	Ring 1	Regional Standard 1	13	8:30 AM	8:45 AM	9:11 AM		
		Regional Standard 2	13	9:11 AM	11:28 AM	11:54 AM		
	Ring 2	Regional Jumper 1	13	8:30 AM	9:35 AM	9:52 AM		
		Regional Jumper 2	13	9:52 AM	12:19 PM	12:36 PM		
	Ring 3	Regional Gambler 1	13	8:30 AM	10:20 AM	10:46 AM		
		Regional Gambler 2	13	10:46 AM	1:03 PM	1:29 PM		
Friday	Ring 1	Biathlon Agility	130	7:15 AM	8:00 AM	12:00 PM*		
		Junior Stakes Open Agility	17	12:00 PM	12:37 PM	1:11 PM		
Ri		Junior Stakes - Agility	4	1:11 PM	1:28 PM	1:36 PM		
	Ring 2	Biathlon Jumpers With Weaves	123	7:15 AM	8:00 AM	10:30 AM		
		Junior Stakes Open Jumpers	17	10:30 AM	11:00 AM	11:39 AM		
		Junior Stakes - Jumpers	4	11:39 AM	12:00 PM	12:12 PM		
	Ring 3	Steeplechase 1 (SCA)	160	7:15 AM	8:00 AM	12:30 PM*		
	Ring 4	Steeplechase 1 (SCB)	148	7:15 AM	8:00 AM	12:15 PM*		
			*Ha	alf hour break at a	approximately 10	:00 am		
Friday	Ring 1	National Gambler 1 (GA)	132	3:00 PM	3:30 PM	8:10 PM*		
	Ring 3	National Gambler 1 (GB)	114	3:00 PM	3:30 PM	7:45 PM*		
	Ring 4	National Gambler 1 (GC)	102	3:00 PM	3:30 PM	7:15 PM*		
	Ring 5	National Gambler 1 (GD)	103	3:00 PM	3:30 PM	7:17 PM*		
				*20 minute bre	20 minute break at approximately 6:00pm			
Saturday	Ring 1	National Standard 1 (A)	89	7:15 AM	8:00 AM	10:15 PM		
	Ring 2	National Jumper 1 (B+E)	146	7:15 AM	8:00 AM	10:45 AM		
	Ring 3	National Gambler 2 (C)	80	7:15 AM	8:00 AM	10:45 AM		
	Ring 4	National Standard 1 (D)	66	7:15 AM	8:00 AM	9:45 AM		
	Ring 5	National Gambler 2 (F)	69	7:15 AM	8:00 AM	10:20 AM		





			*HALF HOUR BREAK*				
Rotation 2	Ring 1	National Standard 1 (B)	76	11:15 AM	11:45 AM	1:45 PM	
	Ring 2	National Jumper 1 (C+F)	149	11:15 AM	11:45 AM	2:15 PM	
	Ring 3	National Gambler 2 (A)	89	11:15 AM	11:45 AM	2:45 PM	
	Ring 4	National Standard 1 (E)	70	11:15 AM	11:45 AM	1:30 PM	
	Ring 5	National Gambler 2 (D)	66	11:15 AM	11:45 AM	2:00 PM	
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Rotation 3	Ring 1	National Standard 1 (C)	80	3:15 PM	3:45 PM	5:45 PM	
	Ring 2	National Jumper 1 (A+D)	155	3:15 PM	3:45 PM	6:15 PM	
	Ring 3	National Gambler 2 (B)	76	3:15 PM	3:45 PM	6:20 PM	
	Ring 4	National Standard 1 (F)	69	3:15 PM	3:45 PM	5:30 PM	
	Ring 5	National Gambler 2 (E)	70	3:15 PM	3:45 PM	6:10 PM	
Sunday	Ring 1	National Standard 2 (SC)	103	7:15 AM	8:00 AM	10:40 AM*	
	Ring 2	National Jumper 2 (SB)	125	7:15 AM	8:00 AM	10:15 AM	
	Ring 3	National Standard 2 (SA)	121	7:15 AM	8:00 AM	11:10 AM *	
	Ring 4	National Jumper 2 (SD)	101	7:15 AM	8:00 AM	9:45 AM	
10	0 min pause	around 9:30am for standard rings	*HALF H	OUR BREAK AFTE	R END OF ALL RO	TATIONS*	
Rotation 2	Ring 1	National Standard 2 (SD)	101	11:45 AM	12:15 PM	2:50 PM	
	Ring 2	National Jumper 2 (SA)	121	11:45 AM	12:15 PM	2:30 PM	
	Ring 3	National Standard 2 (SB)	125	11:45 AM	12:15 PM	3:30 PM	
	Ring 4	National Jumper 2 (SC)	103	11:45 AM	12:15 PM	2:00 PM	
	Ring 1	Steeplechase Finale		4:00 PM			

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#### **GENERAL BRIEFING**

Please **check in** at the reception desk inside the Arena. There will be various goodies for you to pick up from our sponsors as well as your warmup tickets. There is a list of all entries posted on the website <a href="https://aacnationals.ca/entering/entries-received/">https://aacnationals.ca/entering/entries-received/</a>. Please **check the list**. If there is a small "v" between the dog's jump height and the dog's breed, then it means the dog's ID card has been checked and verified. You do not need to show your card at check-in. If there is NO "v" then it means no ID card was uploaded at time of entry, OR the card was incomplete, OR there was a problem with the card. You must produce the dog's ID card at check-in, or the dog will have to be measured in order to compete.

Warmup runs – there is a signup sheet for Ring 5 each day. <a href="https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1KB0dMFPTbooSCwFeFRLoNJ0xsM2jUzYjrdVolmvlJJ">https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1KB0dMFPTbooSCwFeFRLoNJ0xsM2jUzYjrdVolmvlJJ</a> <a href="https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1KB0dMFPTbooSCwFeFRLoNJ0xsM2jUzYjrdVolmvlJJ">https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1KB0dMFPTbooSCwFeFRLoNJ0xsM2jUzYjrdVolmvlJJ</a> <a href="https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1KB0dMFPTbooSCwFeFRLoNJ0xsM2jUzYjrdVolmvlJJ">https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1KB0dMFPTbooSCwFeFRLoNJ0xsM2jUzYjrdVolmvlJJ</a> <a href="https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1KB0dMFPTbooSCwFeFRLoNJ0xsM2jUzYjrdVolmvlJJ">https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1KB0dMFPTbooSCwFeFRLoNJ0xsM2jUzYjrdVolmvlJJ</a> <a href="https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1KB0dMFPTbooSCwFeFRLoNJ0xsM2jUzYjrdVolmvlJJ">https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1KB0dMFPTbooSCwFeFRLoNJ0xsM2jUzYjrdVolmvlJJ</a> <a href="https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1KB0dMFPTbooSCwFeFRLoNJ0xsM2jUzYjrdVolmvlJJ">https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1KB0dMFPTbooSCwFeFRLoNJ0xsM2jUzYjrdVolmvlJJ</a> <a href="https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1KB0dmFPTbooSCwFeFRLoNJ0xsm2]">https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1KB0dmFPTbooSCwFeFRLoNJ0xsm2]</a> <a href="https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1KB0dmFPTbooScwFeFRLoNJ0xsm2]</a> <a href="https://

Agility Gate – you will be e-mailed a code to access the event. The code will enable you to check your dog in, scratch it, mark a conflict, and in the case of Steeplechase, declare an FEO run. (note – FEO is not allowed in the Nationals classes). Please do not share the code to non-competitors. Course maps will be available in the app every day.

Paper maps for Steeplechase and Biathlon will be available from 6:30am. Paper maps for the Nationals rounds will be available from 2:00pm on Friday and 6am on Saturday and Sunday. We request that you only take a map if you really need one, and please don't take multiple copies.

**Steeplechase** – There is a **HUGE** entry for Steeplechase. We need your co-operation to keep the rings moving quickly. Please be ready three dogs ahead. We will not wait. If you are not ready, you will miss your turn and be moved to the end of the height category. If you are not marked as a conflict on Agility Gate or with the gatekeeper at the ring and your height category has finished running, you will forfeit your run. Multiple dog handlers will be accommodated as long as the gate is aware of the conflict.

Handlers – please do not move your dogs around by writing on the posted gate sheets. The gatekeeper is the only person that can make changes.

Steeplechase will have 5 walkthrough groups of 6 minutes each. First dog on the line immediately following the last walkthrough. There will be a scheduled half-hour break in each ring partway through.

**Biathlon** – Biathlon will walk and run at the same time as steeplechase. There are 5 walkthrough groups of 6 minutes each. Each of the rings (steeplechase and both biathlon rounds) starts with a different height. They will be the ones walking first in each ring. Walkthroughs then cycle through the running order. At the end of the walkthroughs there will be 5 minutes for the first competitors to get their dogs.

Nationals Rounds – There will be a general walkthrough at the start of the day when all rings will be open to competitors. After the briefing, the groups will go to their rings and there will be a





split walkthrough within each group. If there are 3 walkthroughs, competitors in the first walkthrough will have 15 minutes to get their dog after their walkthrough has finished. Conflicts for handlers running multiple dogs will be handled by the gatekeeper. Please make sure you mark a conflict in Agility Rocks or at the gate. There will be a half-hour break between completion of each rotation.

S/V Rings will take priority in cases of run-order conflicts with other rings. Handlers – please do not move your dogs around by writing on the posted gate sheets. The gatekeeper is the only person that can make changes.

There will be **announcements** throughout the day regarding start/end of walkthrough and rotations. Please listen carefully! Announcements may also be posted in the Agility Gate App.

**Site volunteers** will be sporting a lanyard for easy identification. They have emergency contact numbers should you need them.

The **Ring Chiefs** will have red caps in addition to lanyards. They are your go-to people for any questions regarding the ring setup and they are the person to approach if you have a question about your scribe sheet. If you wish to approach the judge, please ask the Ring Chief and they will halt the ring at a convenient time or ask a question on your behalf.

**Individual results** will be posted at the Arena at the end of each day. Placement ribbons for the individual rounds will be self-serve.

**Steeplechase Finale** – Competitors making the final on Sunday afternoon will be announced on Friday. During the event itself, cash prize amounts will be awarded at the end of each height. Specials, Vets, DDVets jumping the same height will all run together, but will be awarded separately.

#### And finally -

There is a **bar** on site, situated on the patio of the Metcalfe Centre. Service is through the window and there is lots of seating to be able to watch the rings. Opening times are 1-7pm Thursday, Friday and Saturday and 1-5pm on Sunday.

In case of **severe weather** at the 2024 AAC Nationals, the storm shelter on site will be the hockey arena.





# **AAC NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP SCORING WORKSHEET**

Dog:
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Class		SCT	Course Time		Gamble Points*	Gamble Bonus	Time Bonus	National Event Points
Gamblers 1								
Gamblers 2								
	Base Points	SCT	Course Time	Time Faults	Course Faults	Total Faults	Time Bonus	
Standard 1	100							
Jumpers 1	75							
Standard 2	100							
Jumpers 2	75							

Dog:			

Class		SCT	Course Time		Gamble Points*	Gamble Bonus	Time Bonus	National Event Points
Gamblers 1								
Gamblers 2								
	Base Points	SCT	Course Time	Time Faults	Course Faults	Total Faults	Time Bonus	
Standard 1	100							
Jumpers 1	75							
Standard 2	100							
Jumpers 2	75							

<sup>\*</sup>Points earned x1.2 for veteran dogs.
Gamble bonus is worth 35 points.
Time bonus is time under SCT for a clean run only.







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