

A **USDAA®** Licensed Event

Titling & Tournament Classes

hosted by



**Minnesota Agility
Club**

**Being Held At:
Animal Inn
Lake Elmo, MN**

September 10 - 11, 2022

Closing Date: Wednesday, August 31, 2022
Secondary Closing Date: Monday, September 5, 2022
(For move up in level only)

Judges

Dave Visniski - Tyler, TX
(Officiating Judge)

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Organizing Committee

The Organizing Committee is the governing body for this event and shall be the sole authority on matters relative to conduct of the event.

Chairperson	Jacqueline Hoye Email: BJHoye@comcast.net Phone: (651) 334-0536
Secretary	Heather Sather Email: heather@k9katet.com Phone: (612) 716-5400
Volunteer Coordinator	Shelley Nichols
Equipment Manager	Hannah Kampa
Hospitality Coordinator	Leanne Wortman
Committee At-Large	Julie Heller

Site Information

Animal Inn
8633 34th St N
Lake Elmo, MN 55042
United States



[View on Google Maps](#)

<http://www.animalinntraining.com/>

Surface Type: Outdoor on Field Grass

Ring Configuration: 90x110

Check-in & Measuring

Dog Measurements & Certification

All dogs not jumping 24" in the Championship Program or 20" in the Performance Program at local and regional events must be measured unless they have permanent USDAA or World Cynosport Dog Registration status or a temporary card with 3 signatures as required by the regulations, making the dog eligible for their jump height (prior to 3 years of age). Please note that only dogs 18 months of age may be officially measured.

Tentative Schedule

Saturday, September 10, 2022

Ring 1

Event	Ring 1	Judge
Gamblers - Masters		Visniski, Dave
Gamblers Level 3		Visniski, Dave
Gamblers - Veterans		Visniski, Dave
Gamblers - Advanced		Visniski, Dave
Gamblers Level 2		Visniski, Dave
Gamblers - Starters		Visniski, Dave
Gamblers Level 1		Visniski, Dave
Grand Prix of Dog Agility® Qualifier		Visniski, Dave
Standard Agility - Masters		Visniski, Dave
Standard Level 3		Visniski, Dave
Standard - Veterans		Visniski, Dave
Standard Agility - Advanced		Visniski, Dave
Standard Level 2		Visniski, Dave
Standard Agility - Starters		Visniski, Dave
Standard Level 1		Visniski, Dave
Combined Pairs Relay		Visniski, Dave
Combined Pairs Relay - Performance		Visniski, Dave
Snooker - Masters		Visniski, Dave
Snooker Level 3		Visniski, Dave
Snooker - Veterans		Visniski, Dave
Snooker - Advanced		Visniski, Dave
Snooker Level 2		Visniski, Dave
Snooker - Starters		Visniski, Dave
Snooker Level 1		Visniski, Dave

Sunday, September 11, 2022

Ring 1

Event	Ring 1	Judge
Jumpers Level 1		Visniski, Dave
Jumpers - Starters		Visniski, Dave
Jumpers Level 2		Visniski, Dave
Jumpers - Advanced		Visniski, Dave
Jumpers - Veterans		Visniski, Dave
Jumpers Level 3		Visniski, Dave
Jumpers - Masters		Visniski, Dave
Snooker Level 1		Visniski, Dave
Snooker - Starters		Visniski, Dave
Snooker Level 2		Visniski, Dave
Snooker - Advanced		Visniski, Dave
Snooker - Veterans		Visniski, Dave
Snooker Level 3		Visniski, Dave
Snooker - Masters		Visniski, Dave
Dog Agility Steeplechase® Qualifier		Visniski, Dave
Combined Pairs Relay - Performance		Visniski, Dave
Combined Pairs Relay		Visniski, Dave
Standard Level 1		Visniski, Dave
Standard Agility - Starters		Visniski, Dave
Standard Level 2		Visniski, Dave
Standard Agility - Advanced		Visniski, Dave
Standard - Veterans		Visniski, Dave
Standard Level 3		Visniski, Dave
Standard Agility - Masters		Visniski, Dave

Class Descriptions

Tournament Class Rules & Descriptions

Tournament classes are open to all competitors, regardless of previous experience. Tournaments are held to test a competitors training and performance skills in head-to-head competition. One or more of the following tournament classes may be held at this event:

- **Grand Prix of Dog Agility®**

An individual competition on a standard agility course to earn qualifications towards entry to Cynosport®. At a regional championship, competitors compete through two progressive rounds to name a Regional Champion. A direct entry to a Regional Final may be earned in this tournament by earning qualifications at local qualifying events. (see tournament regulations for more details)

- **Dog Agility Steeplechase®**

An individual competition on an enhanced jumpers-style course that includes both an A-frame and weave poles to earn qualifications towards entry to Cynosport®. At a regional championship, competitors compete through two progressive rounds to name a Regional Champion and to compete for prize money.

- **Dog Agility MastersTM Team**

A Team competition, offered locally as either a two-dog or three-dog team, to test versatility and endurance through the five core class types in USDAA rules & regulations. Offered in both formats at Regional Championships and at Cynosport[®], all competitors compete against others in their respective height divisions in the individual classes, and their score from either the 2-dog or 3-dog relay is added and then aggregated with team members to name a 2-dog and 3-dog team winner. Competitors may not compete with the same dog in both the 3-dog and 2-dog tournaments when offered together. Compete at local and regional events to earn qualifications towards entry to Cynosport[®].

- **Masters Challenge BiathlonSM**

An individual competition on open, fast standard and jumpers courses to earn qualifications towards entry to Cynosport[®].

Rules for all tournaments may be downloaded from the Internet at <https://usdaa.com/regulations/tournament-rules.cfm>, and are incorporated here in their entirety by reference. The rules include important disclosures on eligibility and advancement, start and end dates for the current tournament season qualifying period, information on special prizes and awards, advancement rules for each tournament at Regional Championships and Cynosport[®] championships, and more.

Qualifications in tournament classes also count towards versatility titles (e.g., Tournament MasterSM, Agility Dog Champion[®] and Lifetime Achievement Awards. (see USDAA Rules & Regulations for full details.)

Masters Challenge Biathlon—Concurrent Scoring for Titling Purposes

When the Masters Challenge Biathlon is offered, the two classes in the Biathlon (i.e., Masters Challenge Jumpers and Masters Challenge Standard Agility) are scored on a time-plus-faults basis for a combined tournament score. These classes are concurrently scored for titling purposes pursuant to rules set forth in [Chapter 12 of USDAA Rules & Regulations](#), which are incorporated here in their entirety by reference. Qualifying scores earned in each round of the tournament are recorded for tournament, title, and lifetime achievement awards.

Titling Class Rules & Descriptions

One or more titling classes may be held at this event to test development of competitor skills and training and handling at different experience levels, as described in [Chapters 3 –12 of USDAA Official Rules & Regulations](#), which are incorporated here in their entirety by reference. These can be reviewed and/or downloaded from www.usdaa.com/regulations/usdaa-rules-and-regulations.cfm. Following are informational notes that are included in more detail in the regulations referenced above:

Veteran Classes

One or more veteran classes may be offered at this event. Previous experience in the sport sufficient to establish proficiency and confidence in performance is strongly encouraged as course challenges are presented at the Masters level.

- Veteran Classes are open to a competitor with any dog that is at least eight (8) years of age as of the first day of this event.
- A dog entered in a Veterans titling class on a day may not be entered in that same class in the Championship or Performance Programs. Complete program rules can be found in [Chapter 9 of USDAA Rules & Regulations](#) referenced above.

Pairs Relay—Combined or By Level

Pairs Relay titling classes may be held on a "Combined" basis within each program, meaning that experienced dogs (Masters and/or Advanced levels) may pair with dogs working in lower class levels (Advanced and/or Starter level) for titling purposes. Competitors with dogs in the same program and level may also enter together.

- When offered as on a Combined basis, pairs relay will appear on the Entry Form and Class Schedule as "Combined Relay". When offered by Level, relay will appear as "Pairs Relay", with each level offered being listed on the entry form.
- The two methods of offering pairs relay is in keeping with a primary purpose of the Relay class in promoting camaraderie in working a course with a partner (amendment to regulations effective April 2020).
- A Combined Relay class is run on an Advanced level course and scored under Advanced level rules, and the Qualification is valid for any level title within a program.
- A Pairs Relay by level is run on three different courses to meet the requirements for courses at each experience level (i.e., Starters, Advanced, and Masters).
- When entering a Relay class of either type, simply complete the form marking the appropriate Program and list a partner of choice by including the owners name and their dog's registration number.
 - Alternatively, you may enter as a "draw" team when you do not have a partner and are willing to run with others. For "Pairs Relay" class offered by level, your partner will be drawn from other draw entries of competitors at the same level. For "Combined Relay", your partner will be drawn from other competitors at any level in the same program.
 - A group may pair a competitor with an "accommodating dog" (i.e., one who is not entered in the class) when an odd number of competitors are entered, but the group is not required to do so. In this latter case, a refund of entry fee will be made.
- When a second offering of the class (indicated "2nd run" on the Entry Form) is to be *run on the same course*, each handler runs their chosen portion of the course, and immediately following the first run, competitors run a second time with each running the other section of the course previously run by their partner.

Entries & Acceptance

Policy on Refusal of Entry

The Organizing Committee of an event may refuse the entry of any competitor or dog for just cause should the Committee view that participation by the competitor or dog could be prejudicial to the sport. However, in such case, the Committee must notify the competitor in writing upon receipt of entry, but in no case, more than three days following the event closing date for acceptance of entries. The burden of responsibility for the appropriateness of such action rests solely with the host group and its Organizing Committee.

NSF Check/Credit Card

Any check or credit card that is charged back by the bank or other financial institution may be assessed a service charge of up to \$40 per incident at the discretion of the host group.

Returned checks or credit card returns do not constitute a valid entry. Amounts shall be paid within 30 day of postmarked notice of the returned payment if such date follows the event date. Any fees not received within 30 days of notice will result in cancellation of event results for all classes related to the entry for which payment was made. No reinstatement of results is possible, and all awards must be returned within 10 days of notification or the dog's registration may be suspended pending restitution.

Any unpaid fees or shortfalls must be paid prior to the start of the event, or entry is canceled without recourse.

Refund Policy

There shall be NO REFUNDS for entries withdrawn after the closing date for acceptance of entries, for absentee, dismissal from the event as a result of disciplinary action, dismissal from a class, or for any other reason. Also, no entry fees will be refunded if the event cannot open or be completed by reason of riots, civil disturbances, acts of terrorism, fire, "act of God", public emergency, strike, or any other cause beyond the control of the host organization.

General Rule on Eligibility

This event is sanctioned by the United States Dog Agility Association, Inc. ("USDAA").

This test is open to all persons with dogs being at least 18 months of age (14 months of age pursuant to Chapter 10 for Intro Program when offered OR for Sanctioned Match), regardless of pedigree or absence thereof, who have a current registration with USDAA and whose owners and the dog's handler are currently in good standing with USDAA.

This event will be held under USDAA® Official Rules and Regulations, a copy of which may be viewed and printed online at [USDAA Rules & Regulations](#), as amended.

General Entry Conditions

Policy on Fault Limits

In the event of a larger entry, fault limits may be set at the discretion of the Organizing Committee and/or Judge without pre-event notice.

Statement of Responsibility

Competitors alone are responsible for the behavior of themselves, their dogs, children, and guests. A competitor whose dogs, children or guests create unnecessary disturbances or repeatedly engage in unsafe or disruptive behavior may, at the discretion of the Event Organizing Committee, be asked to leave the test site.

Prohibitions on Aids & Devices

No leads, collars, food, toys or other aids or devices shall be permitted on the course at any time, except as provided for in Chapter 10 when Intro Program classes are offered, or in Chapter 8 when Junior Handler Program classes are offered.

Media Release & Rights of Privacy Waiver







Media Rights Release

I HEREBY GRANT TO USDAA and its affiliated companies, representatives, agents and assigns, all rights and permission to use or appropriate his/her and their dog's name, biography, likeness, photograph, voice, performing persona, or other indicia of identity for broadcast, telecast, cablecast, transmission or distribution in any format or media known now or in the future.

Waiver of Rights to Privacy, Publicity & Personality

FURTHER, I HEREBY RELEASE United States Dog Agility Association, Inc. and its affiliates, representatives, agents and assigns from any claim or cause of action for invasion of the rights of privacy, right of publicity, right of personality, or any similar right.

Hotel Information

<p>Best Western White Bear Country Inn 4940 State Hwy 61 N White Bear Lake, MN (651) 429-5393</p> <p> View on Google Maps</p>	<p>Holiday Inn Express Hotel & Suites St. Paul/Woodbury 9840 Norma Lane Woodbury, MN (651) 702-0200</p> <p> View on Google Maps</p>	<p>St. Paul East RV Park 568 Cottage Grove Drive Woodbury, MN (651) 436-6436</p> <p> View on Google Maps</p>
<p>Best Western Regency Plaza Hotel 970 Helena Avenue North Oakdale, MN (800) 780-7234 (651) 578-8466</p> <p> View on Google Maps</p>	<p>Americas Best Value Inn 1750 W. Frontage Road Stillwater, MN (651) 430-1300</p> <p> View on Google Maps</p>	<p>La Quinta Inn 700 Bielenberg Dr Woodbury, MN (866) 527-1498</p> <p> View on Google Maps</p>

Other Information

Bitches in Season

MAC will allow bitches in season (BIS) to compete at this trial subject to the following restrictions.

The handlers must notify secretary. At class check-in, the handlers must notify gate steward as well as write "BIS" next to the dogs name on the check-in sheet. BIS will run in their regular drawn order.

BIS must wear "season panties" when competing in the ring and next to the ring.

There will not be a designated potty area for BIS. However, we expect all handlers to be courteous and exercise reasonable judgement when walking and exercising a BIS and not do so near other exhibitors and their dogs.

RV Information

RV Parking at Animal Inn

RV PARKING

VERY LIMITED!

No Hook Ups Available

No FEE

Must reserve spot

Contact Sally at

sallyanimalintraining@gmail.com

Volunteer Information

Volunteers| MN Agility Club Needs Your Help!

As a Thank You – volunteers can take \$2.00 off each class you enter.

**Please sign-up when the volunteer schedule is posted in Google docs.
(The link will be posted in the Facebook group and e-mailed with your final confirmation)**

Lunch and beverages will be provided to volunteers.
Credit towards year-end awards will also be provided to current MAC Members.

General Agreement

1.1 - Consideration and Waiver & Acceptance of Liability

IN CONSIDERATION OF the acceptance of this entry and the opportunity to participate and/or to be judged in the event on the dates to which this entry form applies (the "Event"), I understand and willingly accept that there are inherent risks in participating in sporting events, including but not limited to risks associated with events involving animals.

I AGREE TO HOLD HARMLESS each of the parties listed below (including each of their members, officers, directors, agents and employees), hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Event Organizers", from any claim for loss or injury that may be alleged to have been caused directly or indirectly to any person or thing by the act of myself or the dog listed on the entry form while in or upon the event premises or grounds or near any entrance thereto -

- The Event's Organizing Committee
- The Event Organizer, being the USDAA Affiliated Group (or Groups) hosting or otherwise responsible for conduct of the event
- United States Dog Agility Association, Inc. ("USDAA"), World Cynosport Limited and affiliated companies
- Event Sponsors and Sponsors of the aforementioned parties
- Property Owners of the premises upon which the event is held

I FURTHER AGREE TO HOLD HARMLESS the aforementioned parties from any claim for loss arising as the result of death, injury or illness to myself and the dog listed on my event entry form, or other dogs under my care that are present at the Event, without regard to the cause of such loss, including but not limited to, disappearance of property, theft, injury or other loss caused by the actions of dogs, exposure to or contraction of communicable diseases, whether such loss or injury is caused or alleged to be caused for any reason, including negligence.

I FURTHER WAIVE RIGHT OF CLAIM and agree to hold harmless the aforementioned parties for any claim for loss that may be or have been sustained or incurred as a result of cancellation of this event and any series of events of which this event is a part by reason of war, terrorism, earthquakes, hurricanes, acts of government, plague, pandemic, war, or other circumstances or events beyond the control of the parties.

THROUGH ENTRY TO THIS EVENT I UNDERSTAND, ACKNOWLEDGE, AND ACCEPT ALL RESPONSIBILITY AND LIABILITY FOR ANY LOSS, INCLUDING LEGAL FEES SHALL BE MINE AND MINE ALONE.

1.2 - Acknowledgment & Acceptance of Regulations

I ACKNOWLEDGE THAT I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND USDAA® Official Rules and Regulations and rules for competition (e.g., tournament rules) that relate to the Event, whether incorporated in this General Agreement by reference or as stipulated herein for the Event to which this entry form pertains.

I ACCEPT AND AGREE TO ABIDE BY any and all rulings of the Organizing Committee (and its members), the Event's Disciplinary Action Committee and/or USDAA relative to matters related to the Event.

1.3 - Acknowledgment & Representation of Accuracy

I ACKNOWLEDGE, REPRESENT AND WARRANT that the information supplied by me in the entry form is correct and complete. If any portion of this information is found to be invalid or insufficient to establish the validity of my entry, such finding shall render my entry invalid in its entirety, for which there shall be no refund of fees paid or other recourse against the Event Organizers. Any acceptance of additional information or corrections to information after the closing date shall be at the sole discretion of the Event secretary.

1.4 - Representation of Ownership or Agency

I HEREBY REPRESENT AND WARRANT that I am the owner of the dog listed hereon, or that I have full authority from the dog's owner as their agent to enter the dog in competition and to assume their responsibilities for the care, custody and control of the dog for entry to the Event, and

I AGREE TO HOLD HARMLESS the Event Organizers listed in paragraph 1.1 from any liability or claims, including legal fees, related to such ownership or agency status.

1.5 - Media Release, Grants & Waivers of Rights to Broadcast & Promote

COMPETITOR HEREBY GRANTS TO USDAA and its affiliated companies, representatives, agents and assigns, all rights and permission to use or appropriate his/her and their dog's name, biography, likeness, photograph, voice, performing persona, or other indicia of identity for broadcast, telecast, cablecast, transmission or distribution in any format or media known now or in the future.

1.6 - Waiver of Rights to Privacy, Publicity & Personality

FURTHER, COMPETITOR HEREBY RELEASES United States Dog Agility Association, Inc. and its affiliates, representatives, agents and assigns from any claim or cause of action for invasion of the rights of privacy, right of publicity, right of personality, or any similar right.

1.7 - Signature/Electronic Submission Execution

THROUGH MY PHYSICAL SIGNATURE ON THE PAPER ENTRY FORM, OR THROUGH MY SUBMISSION OF AN ELECTRONIC ENTRY TO THE EVENT, I ACKNOWLEDGE, ACCEPT AND AGREE TO ABIDE by the provisions of this General Agreement, and all policies, rules, regulations and conditions of entry to the Event

FURTHER, IF ENTRY IS FOR A MINOR, THROUGH MY PHYSICAL SIGNATURE ON THE PAPER ENTRY FORM, OR THROUGH MY SUBMISSION OF AN ELECTRONIC ENTRY TO THE EVENT, I REPRESENT AND WARRANT THAT I AM THE PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN OF THE COMPETITOR/HANDLER entered in the Event, and I ACKNOWLEDGE that I have reviewed all provisions of this General Agreement, policies, rules, regulations, and conditions of entry to the Event with the Minor and I SHALL BE SOLELY RESPONSIBLE FOR THEIR ACTIONS AND COMPLIANCE WITH ALL RULES, REGULATIONS, POLICIES AND PROVISIONS FOR THE EVENT, AND ASSUME FULL LIABILITY FOR MINOR'S ACTIONS AND ACTIONS OF THEIR DOG.

USDAA® Official Dog Registration Form

DOG REGISTRATION - \$40.00

FOR USDAA USE ONLY	
REG #	UJHP #
_____	_____

Dogs must be registered with USDAA in order to compete in USDAA sanctioned events. A registration card and number with a "U" prefix will be issued to facilitate entry at USDAA events and tracking of show results in the regular classes.

You must complete ALL information for a valid registration:

OWNER/HANDLER INFORMATION:

Primary Owner: _____

Name(s) to appear on awards: _____

Junior Handler: _____ DOB: _____ Telephone: _____

Address: _____

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

Email Address: _____

DOG INFORMATION:

Formal Name: _____ Call Name: _____

(Dog name to appear on certificates; please print clearly or type)

Breed: _____ DOB: _____ Height @ Withers: _____

(Specify breed or state "All American" to denote mix-breed)

(Estimate if unknown)

(To nearest 1/4")

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