# Haute TRACS Apr 12-15 2007 USDAA Trial General Information

Check-in Schedule (check in only on your first day)

Check in/measure in: 6:30AM – 7:00AM Briefing, group walkthrus: 7:15AM First dogs on the line: 8:00AM

You must check in if you didn't send your permanent card in with your entry! You must measure in if your blue card isn't fully signed out!

Note the Masters and Tourney rings will only have <u>ONE</u> walkthrough per morning for the morning classes, one per afternoon for the afternoon classes. Don't miss your one walkthrough!!!! Nonmasters walkthroughs start at 8AM after masters and tourney walkthroughs.

There are 392 dogs entered (71 less than last year: 301 Thursday, 344 Friday, 342 Saturday, 304 Sunday) with a total of 5200 runs for the four days (~150 Masters, 60 Advanced, 65 Starters) and 53 championship teams, 25 performance teams – not as big as last year but still a monster and thank goodness we have four days to do it in. We desperately need your help to run smoothly, so we can all survive this with a laugh!

- ✓ Check in *early* at the rings you're running in and inform the gate stewards as soon as you can about possible conflicts.
- √ Volunteer to set poles or run scribe sheets if you see the need.
- ✓ Stay within shouting distance of your gate steward when you are within 5 dogs of running.

### Parking and unloading

There will be no parking inside the Fairgrounds. You will be able to drive in and unload, but then all vehicles (other than those with parking passes) will have to be removed to one of the outer parking areas BEFORE 7:30AM. No vehicles will be permitted back into the fairgrounds until after ALL the rings have concluded for the day. Those with handicap parking permits need to contact us ASAP to make advance arrangements.

COMPETITOR RINGSIDE SET UP ALLOWED ONLY AFTER 1:00PM ON WEDNESDAY. Only Show committee and set-up crew will be permitted to set up prior to that time. Sorry guys, but there will be no land grabbing permitted (in other words, you cannot rope off acres of land for groups of friends). You may lay out mats marking ex-pen locations, but no wholesale land grabbing. If you want to set up together, be sure to bring mats to lay down. The reserved crating spaces are for Haute Dawgs and TRACS key personnel until 4 pm Wednesday. After that, any remaining space will be opened for general crating.

# Staying on-site overnight?

We have over 100 overnighters on site for this trial. ALL overnighting MUST be arranged by advance reservation – contact Pam Richards at <a href="mailto:apuffin@earthlink.net">apuffin@earthlink.net</a>.

People who contacted Pam in advance will be receiving an email directly from her explaining the details of arriving and checking in and staying.

EVERY RV/van/car/tent will be assigned a specific parking/camping space. You MUST park in your assigned areas. Without prior coordination, NO RVs WILL BE ADMITTED BEFORE NOON ON WEDNESDAY. You will receive an overnighting permit when you arrive, please display it prominently. If you asked for hookups, we will do our best to match you to your requested amperage however we cannot guarantee it and recommend you bring all the converters and extension cords you have (which will also serve you well if RV'ing has to be rearranged due to the grounds being too soggy from rain).

#### Food

There will be a caterer (his name is Dan) on site for breakfast and lunch fare. He does awesome breakfast burritos and other hot breakfast foods as well as lunch.

# <u>WHAT CLASSES HAVE PRECEDENCE?</u>

The Starters and Advanced Classes have priority over the Masters and Team Rings since those tiny classes have less maneuvering room within the running orders! Get yourself moved in the BIG classes' running orders instead! Tell the gate steward as soon as you can – like during your walkthrough – if you have a conflict. Don't be shy and get lost in the shuffle of this big show!

# RUNNING ORDERS WILL NOT BE AVAILBLE AT THE TRIAL

You must print up your own from where they will be posted on the web, at <a href="http://www.agiltracs.org">http://www.agiltracs.org</a>, after 10PM Monday night Apr 9th.

# Directions to Dixon May Fairgrounds, Dixon

655 South First Street, Dixon, 95620. phone 707-678-5529. Details at www.dixonmayfair.com

From I-80, take Highway 113 exit to Dixon/Rio Vista, proceed south into Dixon. Go through down town to stop light. Proceed straight ahead. The Fairgrounds will be on your left, fairground parking on your right. Pass the main entrance/administration and turn left into the Fairgrounds for unloading. The Agility Trial Site will be clearly in view as you enter the Fairgrounds. Shade is limited, bring you own!

Dogs may be exercised anywhere except in the grand stand athletic field: we'll be fined if they catch our competitors abusing that area. Please show our facility host that we are much more responsible than the typical dog owner, by leaving the place cleaner than when you found it!

#### Same-weekend move-ups!

If you title at this trial, we will be taking advantage of USDAA's limited same-weekend move-up policy. The limitation is that you have to wait a day before you can run in the higher-level class. Kind of like the waiting period after buying a handgun. Also, be aware you do NOT have to move up if you do not want to!.

WHAT classes/titles are you allowed to move up in/with? If you title in an individual class (get your 3<sup>rd</sup> leg) then you can move-up in that class. If you complete an AD then you can move-up to advanced in all the starters classes you entered. If you complete an AAD then you can move-up to masters in all the advanced classes you entered.

WHEN is the move-up actually executed? You must submit the move-up form(s) ON THE DAY YOU TITLE. If you title on THURSDAY and submit move-up form(s) no later than 30 minutes after the last class finishes THURSDAY, you can run in the higher level SATURDAY (and sunday).

If you title on FRIDAY and submit the move-up form(s) no later than 30 minutes after the last class finishes FRIDAY, you can run in the higher level SUNDAY.

## **Workers**

If you can help with Wednesday set-up, we'd love to have you!

Contact Kathie Leggett ASAP kathie @touchngoagility.com if you want to be part of the set-up crew. You must be an approved member of the set-up crew to gain early access to the fairgrounds.

Worker schedules will be posted by each ring each morning. If you aren't on the schedules, feel free to step in and help out if you see the chance! If your work assignment conflicts with your runs, make sure to bring it to your crew chief's attention. We will ensure you get an adequate walk through (and a chance to run) if you miss anything due to working.

Every class you work in will earn you a ticket for our awesome Workers Raffle. If your Crew Chief doesn't give you one, don't be shy—ask for it! Volunteers who work at least one full class (or in the Team/Masters rings, one half-class) will receive their choice of a lunch ticket (one per day) or Haute TRACS Festival Dollars which may be used at any of our vendors or towards future entries.

# ROTATION GROUPS in the Running Order

We will be using rotation groups in the TOURNAMENT and MASTERS classes to minimize conflicts. These classes will be divided into three groups: A, B, C, that will run to completion in each ring before you switch to your next ring, until all groups have run in all rings. ALL GROUPS WILL BE RUNNING IN LOCK-STEP! We will try to put all of your dogs, and all of your team's dogs, into the same group: CHECK the running orders when we post them online in the week before the trial, and CONTACT us if we messed up.

Changes will NOT be made day-of!!!

# Scoring, Questions, Problems

We will post the results of your runs near the score tables, usually within minutes of your run. Please DO check them right away, when there's a better chance the judge and the score table will remember your run. It's true the score table is a busy place that needs to do its job without unnecessary interruptions; however it is also true that *you* are our reason for being there. If you have any questions or problems (TP in the bathrooms, running order, scoring issue, rules question, etc) or *feedback*, feel free to seek out trial chairs Kathie Leggett, Ann Kitchen, and Susan Cochran; trial secretaries Leslie Bickel and Karey Krauter; or trial committee members

CLASS/JUDGING SCHEDULE (subject to change)

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	RING 1 (blue)	RING 2 (green)	RING 3 (yellow)	RING 4 (red)
	Peggy Hammond	<u>Jean MacKenzie</u>	Kim Donnell	<u>Lisa Barrett</u>
<u>THURS</u>	Team Gam <b>B</b> PF/12/16/22/26	Team Std A PF/16/12/26/22	Masters Standard C	Advanced Jumpers
22/26/16/12/Pf	Team Gam C PF/12/16/22/26	Team Std <b>B</b> PF/16/12/26/22	Masters Standard A	Starters Jumpers
(except for team,	Team Gam A PF/12/16/22/26	Team Std C PF/16/12/26/22	Masters Standard B	Advanced Standard
ea of which will				Starters Standard
have a unique order)	Team Snk <b>B</b> 26/22/16/12/PF	Team Jmp <b>A</b> 22/26/12/16/PF	Build/Walk Relay	Masters Jumpers C (Kim)
TEAM/MAS: 715AM	Team Snk C 26/22/16/12/PF	Team Jmp <b>B</b> 22/26/12/16/PF		Masters Jumpers A (Kim)
ADV/ST: 8AM	Team Snk A 26/22/16/12/PF	Team Jmp <b>C</b> 22/26/12/16/PF		Masters Jumpers B (Kim)
			Team RELAY (all)	
<u>FRIDAY</u>	Masters Standard B	Grand Prix/PNS A	Masters Gamblers C	Starters Gamblers
Pf/12/16/26/22	Masters Standard C	Grand Prix/PNS <b>B</b>	Masters Gamblers A	Advanced Gamblers
(unless otherwise	Masters Standard A	Grand Prix/PNS C	Masters Gamblers B	Starters Jumpers
listed)	Masters Jumpers (all)	Masters Pairs (mini/open/pf)	Starters Standard	Advanced Jumpers
GP/MAS: 715AM			Advanced Standard	Starters Pairs
ADV/ST: 8AM				Advanced Pairs
SATURDAY	Steeplechase (Rd 1) B	Masters Standard A	Masters Gamblers C	Starters Jumpers
22/26/16/12/Pf	Steeplechase (Rd 1) C	Masters Standard <b>B</b>	Masters Gamblers A	Advanced Jumpers
(unless otherwise	Steeplechase (Rd 1) A	Masters Standard C	Masters Gamblers B	Starters Snooker
listed)	Masters Jumpers (all)	Masters Snooker (pf/12/16/26/22)	Advanced Standard	Advanced Snooker
SC/MAS: 715AM			Starters Standard	Starters Gamblers
ADV/ST: 8AM				Advanced Gamblers
SUNDAY	Masters Standard B	Masters Gamblers A	Masters Snooker C	Starters Snooker
Pf/12/16/26/22	Masters Standard C	Masters Gamblers <b>B</b>	Masters Snooker A	Advanced Snooker
(unless otherwise	Masters Standard A	Masters Gamblers C	Masters Snooker B	Starters Standard
listed)	Masters Pairs (open/mini/pf)	Steeplechase (Rd 2)	Starters Pairs	Advanced Standard
MAS: 715AM			Advanced Pairs	
ADV/ST: 8AM			Starters Gamblers	
			Advanced Gamblers	

SITE MAP(subject to change)

