# Haute TRACS Apr 7-10 2011 USDAA Trial General Information

#### <u>Check-in Schedule (check in only on your first day)</u> Check in/measure in: 7:00AM – 7:30AM Briefing, group walkthrus: 7:30AM 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 Team/Masters classes running in rotation groups will only have <u>ONE</u> walkthrough per morning. Don't miss your one walkthrough!!!! Nonmasters walkthroughs start at 8AM after masters and tourney walkthroughs.

There are 290 dogs entered (~130 Masters, 25 Advanced, 40 Starters) with a total of 3540 runs for the four days, 27 championship teams, 18 performance teams. The entry numbers are down but more classes are being offered (triples!): everyone needs to do their part for this thing to run smoothly once again this year, so we can all survive this with a laugh! Especially if it is raining: our plans are to pull it off with flair regardless of the weather.

- Check in *early* at the ring(s) you're running in and inform the gate stewards as soon as you can about possible conflict, by putting a "C" next to your name.
- ✓ Volunteer to set poles or run scribe sheets if you see the need.

 $\checkmark\,$  Stay within shouting distance of your gate steward when you are within 5 dogs of running.

# Wednesday set-up timeline

If you can help with Wednesday set-up, we'd love to have you! Contact Kathie Leggett ASAP <u>kathie@touchngoagility.com</u> 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.

- ✓ 10AM WORKERS ONLY personal crating and RV'ing set up
- ✓ 11AM-2:00PM Trailer unloading and ring set-up
- ✓ 2PM Vendors set-up
- ✓ 3PM General crating and RV'ing set-up (and NOT BEFORE!)

# Worker Schedules, Bennies!

Worker schedules will be posted each morning at the checkin table and at each ring. 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 (or half class, in the case of Masters/Tourneys) in will earn you tickets into our awesome Workers Raffle, and a coupon good towards lunch. If your Crew Chief missed giving you tickets or lunch, they didn't mean to—ask for it!

# Rotation groups?? Precedence??

**ROTATION GROUPS**: We will be using rotation groups in the TEAM and MASTERS classes to minimize conflicts. These classes will be divided into TWO groups: A, B that will run to completion in each ring before you switch to your next ring, until both groups have run in both rings. ALL GROUPS WILL BE RUNNING IN LOCK-STEP! We will put all of your 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!!!** 

WHAT CLASSES HAVE PRECEDENCE: The Starters and Advanced Classes have priority over the Masters and Tourney classes 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. If you can't run in your group, run in a different one.

#### Same-weekend move-ups

See details and instructions at the ribbons table: If you title on Friday, your move-up takes effect on Sunday. No other move-ups are allowed, sorry.

# Rubber? Weavepoles?

Two words. Rubber, and 24". All rings. All days.

# 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!

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!

#### What about the RAIN !?

If the weather or the field conditions aren't on our side, then be alert for announcements changing the ring layout or parking and RV plan. Meanwhile, keep your fingers crossed and do whatever you can to increase your good karma!

# Parking and unloading

Cars may move on the roads around the rings before and after all dogs in all rings have competed. That goes for cars snagging the first-come-first-serve limited ringside parking available, and for cars loading/unloading near their ringside crating. We need all cars parked in their final places by 730am each morning. Those with handicap parking permits need to contact us ASAP to make advance arrangements.

**COMPETITOR RINGSIDE SET UP ALLOWED ONLY AFTER 3:00PM 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 a couple 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 5 pm Wednesday. After that, any remaining space will be opened for general crating.

#### Staying on-site overnight?

ALL overnighting MUST be arranged by advance reservation, through our tireless RV czar Pam Richards, apuffin@earthlink.net

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

EVERY RV/van/car/tent will be assigned a specific parking/camping zone. You MUST park in your zone. Without prior coordination, **NO RVs WILL BE ADMITTED BEFORE 3PM 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.

# <u>Food</u>

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

# <u>RUNNING ORDERS WILL NOT BE AVAILBLE</u> <u>AT THE TRIAL</u>

You must print up your own from where they will be posted on the web, at <u>www.agiltracs.org</u> or <u>www.hautedawgs.org</u> , after 10PM Monday Apr 4th.

#### 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 or trial secretary Karey Krauter; or trial committee members

# **ON-CALL VETERINARIAN**

UC Davis Veterinary Medicine Teaching Hospital, 530-752-1393

Thursday (height order as listed)	RING TWO (PAT) RING THREE (MALU)	Team/PVP Standard B 26/22/16/12/Pf Team/PVP Standard A 26/22/16/12/Pf				RING TWO (PAT) RING THREE (MALU)	P3/Masters Jumpers Grp B P1/Starters Standard P3/Masters Jumpers Grp A P2/Advanced Standard	P3/Masters Gamblers Grp B P2/Advanced Gamblers P3/Masters Gamblers Grp A P1/Starters Snooker			Saturday (26/22/16/12/Pf)	RING TWO (PAT) RING THREE (MALU)	Masters/P3 Standard Grp B P2/Advanced/P2 Gamblers Masters/P3 Standard Grp A P1/Starters/P1 Gamblers	Masters/P3 Snooker Grp B P1/Starters/P1 Standard Masters/P3 Snooker Grp A P1/Starters/P1 Snooker		Sunday (Pf/12/16/22/26)	RING TWO (PAT) RING THREE (MALOU)	PSJ/Steeplechase Round 2 P2/Advanced Gamblers P2/Advanced Standard P1/Starters Gamblers		-sync up with other ring- P3/Masters Jumpers P1/Starters Jumpers	A manual manual and a second sec
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