

Dear Agility Exhibitor,

Thank you for entering our New Year's Weekend AKC Agility trials to be held at the Murieta Equine Complex on December 30 & 31, 2006 and January 1, 2007. By this time, you have all received an entry confirmation via email. Please read this confirmation carefully. *Move ups for Saturday, December 30 are accepted until Monday, Dec 25, 2006 at NOON and must be in print (either letter or email)*. Move ups for Sunday and Monday will be taken until 30 minutes after the close of day's event. If you have anything to change, email <u>kathie@touchngoagility.com</u>.

There are 556 on Saturday; 547 on Sunday; and 463 on Monday, for a total of 1566 runs over the 3 days.

### ENTRY NUMBERS (as of closing date)

This is a preliminary judging schedule which is contingent upon the on move up entries that may not have been received yet.

			Saturd	lay - St	andard			Saturday - JWW								
	4	8	12	16	20	24	26		4	8	12	16	20	24	26	
Ex B/A/P	2	12	33	43	63	38	8	Ex B/A/P	2	12	37	43	62	39	8	Ex B/A/P
Open/Open P	0	4	6	8	11	5	2	Open/Open P	0	5	5	10	13	4	2	Open/Open P
Nov B/A/P	0	5	8	10	14	2	0	Nov B/A/P	0	3	7	7	17	4	0	Nov B/A/P

	Sunday - JWW															
	4	8	12	16	20	24	26		4	8	12	16	20	24	26	
Ex B/A/P	2	13	31	43	66	37	8	Ex B/A/P	2	13	34	43	66	38	8	Ex B/A/P
Open/Open P	0	3	8	5	9	6	2	Open/Open P	0	2	8	8	11	5	2	Open/Open P
Nov B/A/P	0	1	8	2	9	2	0	Nov B/A/P	0	1	9	2	17	8	0	Nov B/A/P

			Monday - JWW													
	4	8	12	16	20	24	26		4	8	12	16	20	24	26	
Ex B/A/P	2	13	26	37	55	31	8	Ex B/A/P	2	13	31	37	55	32	8	Ex B/A/P
Open/Open P	0	5	6	3	7	4	2	Open/Open P	0	5	4	6	8	3	0	Open/Open P
Nov B/A/P	0	3	4	10	9	2	0	Nov B/A/P	0	2	3	7	13	3	0	Nov B/A/P

#### DIRECTIONS:

<u>From Sacramento/Bay Area and other points west/south</u>: Take Hwy 50 east towards Lake Tahoe. Exit at Sunrise Blvd. Turn right off the exit ramp and proceed for 7.4 miles to Jackson Road (Rt 16). Turn left on Jackson Road and proceed 7.1 miles to Lone Pine Rd. Turn right on Lone Pine. Murieta Equine Complex is immediately on your right.

<u>From Reno</u>: Take Hwy 80 towards Sacramento. Exit at Sierra College Blvd. Turn south. Sierra College Blvd becomes Hazel Ave. Follow Hazel Ave to Hwy 50 west. Follow Hwy 50 to Sunrise Blvd exit. Turn left off exit ramp and follow directions above.

NOTE: There is construction ongoing on Sunrise south of Folsom Blvd that reduces Sunrise down to one lane in each direction with possible delays. Alternative directions from the Bay Area and points West:

- 1. If coming east on Hwy 50, exit at Watt Ave South. Follow Watt Ave to the 3<sup>rd</sup> stop light (Jackson Road) and turn left. Follow Jackson Road to Lone Pine Drive. Turn right and Murieta Equine Complex is on your right..
- 2. If coming north on Hwy 99, exit Dillard Road and follow Dillard a LONG way until you dead end into Jackson Road. Turn right on Jackson Road and follow until you reach Murieta on your right.

## NOTE:

# THE SITE WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR VENDOR AND COMPETITOR SET UP <u>AFTER</u> 4:00 pm ON FRIDAY, DECEMBER 29, 2006.

Anyone setting up prior to that time will be asked to stop, move or be moved until we get the show set up or 4 pm, whichever is later.

<u>CRATING</u>: Crating is always tight at Murieta especially in the event of inclement weather. Please only stake out as much space as needed for your crates and ex-pens. Do not set up "estates" and bring in your picnic tables, lounge chairs, etc. We want you to have fun and be sociable, but we also want there to be sufficient crating space for everyone entered, especially those coming on the later days of the event. If you are setting up ex-pens, which is fine, please be prepared to be extra friendly with others. This issue will become especially important if we have inclement weather which may reduce the amount of crating space (remember last year's floods?). The Trial Committee reserves the right to require people to reduce their crating area to the minimum needed for crates and ex-pens if conditions warrant. There will be crating space available on the second floor above the concrete walkway (where the vendors set up).

**<u>RV PARKING</u>**: Is by advance reservation only and there are limited hook ups. Contact Murieta Equine Center at (916)985-7334 and ask for Kelly. TRACS has no involvement with RV parking/camping. There is NO RV Parking behind the arena. If you have not secured an RV reservation in the RV parking area – please park your RV in the parking lot on the left as you drive into the complex.

**FOOD**: There will be an on-site concessionaire selling breakfast and lunch items. Complimentary coffee, muffins, and fruit will be available to competitors until 10:00 am. HOWEVER, if you were clever enough to volunteer and are assigned to work, you will receive tickets you can use at the concession. Your Ring Crew Chief will provide you with tickets you exchange at the concession. If you are scheduled to work after lunch, be sure to track down your Ring Crew Chief in the morning and ask for your ticket!

<u>WORKERS</u>: Speaking of working, we will make every effort to email workers schedules out before the event. Schedules will also be posted by each ring each morning. If you volunteered, you can check to see what job you have been assigned. If you volunteered but we were unable to schedule you because of multiple dogs and classes, thank you anyways! Feel free to step in and help out if you see the chance! Every class you work in will earn you tickets for our awesome Workers Raffle. If your Ring Crew Chief doesn't give you any, don't be shy—ask for them!

**SCORING, QUESTIONS, POSTING:** Scores will be posted as soon as possible after each jump height is completed in binders near the scoring office. Please check your results as soon as possible so we may resolve any questions you may have before the judge forgets what your run was like! There will be a person in the scoring office to act as a liaison between the scorekeepers (who we all know are incredibly busy) and anyone with a question. While it's true the score table is busy, we are never too busy to help you.

If you have any questions about anything other than scoring, or have any feedback about ways we can improve our trial don't be shy about saying something (although I've never really known agility people to be shy about expressing their opinions). Track down our trial Chair, Susan Cochran; our Trial Secretary, Kathie Leggett; or talk to anyone wearing a red TRACS shirt/jacket.

<u>AWARDS</u>: We will have your awards ready as soon as we can, but please be patient. AKC requires judges to review all scribesheets prior to awards being available to competitors. In addition to rosettes for class placements and qualifying flats, there are special rosettes for Double Qualifying rounds; for new titles; and for any MACH. <u>IF YOU MAY EARN A MACH AT</u> THIS TRIAL, PLEASE LET OUR TRIAL SECRETARY KNOW AS SOON AS POSSIBLE!!

### MEASURE IN, CHECK IN, SCHEDULE

<u>CHECK IN</u>: If you sent in a copy of a valid temporary or permanent height card, you can pick up your armbands at our selfcheck in. Course Maps will be available at ringside for pick up. PLEASE, only take the maps for the classes you entered. In addition to the running orders posted at each ring, additional running orders will be posted for you to refer to at places around the rings. If you did not send a copy of your height card with your entry or if your temporary card has expired, you will have to present your card at check in or be measured to receive you armbands. <u>You MUST check in and receive your armbands before</u> you run. You only have to check in once for the set of trials.

**<u>MEASURING</u>**: If you did not submit a copy of your height card(s) with your entry and forgot to bring yours, or just plain don't have one, your dogs MUST be measured **BEFORE** running. This includes dogs running the 24" and 26" classes because we have VMOs present. If you have one and forgot to send it with your entry (and don't have one on file), you can simply present it at check-in to receive your armbands.

<u>OFFICIAL HEIGHT CARD MEASUREMENTS</u>: Both of our judges for the weekend are Volunteer Measuring Officials and can measure for official height cards. They will be doing official measuring periodically throughout the weekend as their judging schedule permits. If you need a height measurement (and remember that dogs without permanent height cards at this time now need at least two measurements), fill out your paperwork (available at the trial) and listen for announcements or watch for posted measuring times.

**<u>RESTRICTIONS ON VENDING/SELLING STUFF</u>**: In order to sell anything, anywhere on the trial grounds, you must pay Murieta a \$50 per day vendor fee plus carry a \$1,000,000 insurance policy (and have proof insurance with you on the grounds). This is the same whether you set your wares up in the vendor area or in the crating area. Please do not jeopardize our good relations with Murieta by not following these requirements. This is not a TRACS requirement, but one set by Murieta Equine *C*enter.

### TRIAL SCHEDULE

Schedule for Saturday, Dec 30, 2006 and Sunday, Dec 31, 2006

8:00 - 8:30	Check In
8:30	Walk throughs begins for both rings
8:45	Judges Briefing
9:00	First dog on line. Subsequent classes will start as soon as the rings are prepared

Schedule for Monday, January 1, 2007 (Happy New Year!!)

7:15	Check In
7:30	Walk throughs begins for both rings
7:45	Judges Briefing
<b>8</b> :00	First dog on line. Subsequent classes will start as soon as the rings are prepared

### Running Order/Walk Through Schedule:

We will be running a standard ring and a JWW ring. On all days, the Standard ring will run Open, Excellent, Novice. The JWW ring will run Excellent, Novice, Open.

Saturday, December 30, 2006: All Classes: 4, 8, 12, 16, 20, 24, 26 Sunday, December 31, 2006: All classes: 16, 20, 24, 26, 4, 8, 12 Monday, January 1, 2007: All Classes: 20, 24, 26, 4, 8, 12, 16

**<u>CONFLICTS</u>**: Conflicts will be handled as needed. If you even THINK you might have a conflict, notify your GATE STEWARD before your class begins or as soon as you know you have a problem. We will do everything we can do make sure you get your run, including resetting jump heights after all dogs have run, so long as you have told us you have a problem. However, we will not hold a ring open once all dogs present at ringside have run; there are other classes to get going.

<u>MOVE UPS</u>: Pre-trial move ups will be accepted until noon on Mon, Dec 19, 2005. Day-to-day moveups will also be taken provided you have completed a move up form and given it to the Score Table no later than 30 minutes after the end of the final class of the day.

If you have any questions about in this letter, contact Kathie Leggett, trial secretary at Kathie@touchngoagility.com or call her at (916)719-0516.